Femtoscopic results in Au+Au & p+p from PHENIX at RHIC



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Topics:

- Bose-Einstein correlations of charged kaons in 200 GeV Au+Au collisions comparisons (π^{\pm} -s, K⁰-s of STAR) m_t and N_{part} scaling of 3d HBT radii 1d imaging and tails -Bose-Einstein correlations of charged pions in 200 GeV p+p collisions comparisons with Au+Au m, and N_{part} scaling of 3d HBT radii 1d imaging and tails - Squeezed particle-antiparticle correlations (see M. Nagy's WPCF'09 talk for details)

HBT nomenclature



Why kaon HBT in Au+Au at RHIC?



From M. Csana'd, T. Cs., Acta Phys.Polon.Supp.1:521-524,2008

Kaon interferometry: M. Gyulassy, Sandra S. Padula, PRC 41, R21 (1990)

- Kaons less effected by decays of long lived resonances, than pions.

- A clearer distinction between QGP formation and resonance dynamics But kaons follow m_τ scaling at CERN SPS: NA44 Collab, PRL 87:112301, (2001)

Why kaon imaging in Au+Au?



First imaging data: extended tail of pion emission in S(r)

Long lived resonances? Pions have longer tail, than kaons. Hadronic rescattering? Pions larger cross sections, than kaons. Anomalous diffusion in HRC simulation: kaon's tail is longer, than pions!(?)

Analysis details



600M events, Au+Au 200 GeV minimum bias dataset of 2004 (~30M like sign kaon pairs)

Charged kaons tracked by DC, PC1, PC3, identified by time of flight from PbSc

 $|\eta| < 0.35, \Delta \pi = \pi/2(\pi/4)$ in West(East) arm

Matching cuts reduce backgrounds Pair selection cuts to remove merging and splitting Monte Carlo based corrections to extend into regions with reduced pair efficiency

Transverse mass scaling



In 200 GeV Au+Au, m_T dependent HBT radii for charged kaons and pions follow the same universal m_T scaling curve

More theory comparisons



Example of "HBT puzzle" S. Pratt. nucl-th/0811.3363 & private comm. for kaons: ~ m_{τ} scaling

1 d +1 hydro+cascade with.pre-equilibrium flow & lattice inspired equation of state.

not tuned to kaons!

Can 3D+1 implementation reproduce elliptic flow?

Centrality Dependence



Similar slope as π -s, agrees well with linear extrapolation, R=0 for N_{part}=0

Compared to rescaled pions



Source Imaging



Significant tail for r>10 fm for kaon source Pion source is not only from long lived resonance (ω) decays Larger kaon tail consistent with hadronic resonance cascade models M. Csanad et al, hep-ph/0702032, T. Csörgő et al, nucl-th/051206.0298

Pions in p+p

Baseline measurement Proving ground for understanding and dealing with non-HBT contamination Phys.Rev.C78:064903,2008 Event selection Relative to jet Multiplicity

Capability likely needed: future heavy ion analyses relative to jet axis...

A few analysis details for p+p



 Run5 p+p minimum biased (~2.5M like sign pion pairs)

•Charged pions identified by time of flight from West PbSc

•Matching cuts reduce backgrounds

Pair selection cuts to remove

merging and splitting

•No Monte Carlo based corrections so more selective pair cuts

1-D Correlations



Slices of 3-D Correlation



A few words on fitting

PYTHIA used as sanity check to limit fit range and help minimize impact of non-HBT correlations



Transverse Mass Dependence



p+p and Au+Au comparison



Squeezed particle-antiparticle correlations



Back-to-back particle-antiparticle correlations: first measurements Expected to signal in-medium mass modification of hadrons For more details, see the talk of M. Nagy at WPCF 2009

Summary, K[±]K[±] in Au+Au

Kaon m_{τ} and m_{τ} scaled centrality dependence consistent with pions. Kaon HBT radii scale as $R_{HBT} = p_1 N_{part}^{1/3}$ i.e. $R_{HBT} = 0$ at $N_{part} = 0$ Bulk production in agreement with predictions on m_{τ} scaling, and with a promising 1+1D+hydro+cascade with initial flow Significant tail in imaged K source for r>10fm Tail stronger for kaons than for pions ! Tail in pions not just from resonances! •

• Further checks needed for other particles (protons)!

Summary: $\pi\pi$ **in p+p**

Pion correlations in min. bias collisions for PHENIX west arm acceptance do not show significant energy momentum contamination.

Measured radii: consistent with centrality extrapolation from Au+Au Plenty to look at (multiplicity dependence, jets...)

In Au+Au, the first preliminary back-to-back particle-antiparticle correlations were measured. See M. Nagy's WPCF 2009 talk.

Back-up slides

Charged kaon analysis details

Momentum resolution: $\delta p/p = 0.7 \% \oplus 1 \% x p (GeV/c)$

Matching cuts for tracking: 2 σ position match in PbSc 3 σ position match in PC3

Kaon identification based on BBC and PbSc timing signals for $p_t < 0.9$ GeV/c. For $p_t > 0.9$ GeV/c, kaons accepted if < 2 σ close to the invariant mass peak and > 3 σ from the invariant mass peak of pions and (anti)protons.

At $p_{t} \sim 1.5$ GeV/c,

contamination from pions: 4 %, from (anti)protons: 1 %.

After track selection and merging cuts: 1.5 x 10⁷ K⁺K⁺ and 1.4 x 10⁷ K⁻K⁻ pairs

TBI signal of 1st order phase transitions,

uses $R_{out}/R_{side}(m_t, \sqrt{s_{NN}})$

