

Relativistic magneto-hydrodynamics in heavy ion collisions

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Why are magnetic fields in HIC so interesting?

- Influence on the elliptic flow

Bali, Bruckmann, Endrődi and Schäfer - Phys. Rev. Lett. 112 (2014)
Pang, Endrődi and Petersen - Phys. Rev. C 93, 044919 (2016)

- Influence on directed flow

Gürsoy, Kharzeev and Rajagopal - Phys. Rev. C 89 (2014)
Gürsoy, Kharzeev, Marcus, Rajagopal, Shen - Phys. Rev. C 98, 055201 (2018)
Das, Plumari, Chatterjee, Alam, Scardina, Greco - Phys. Lett. B 768, 260 (2017)
ALICE Collaboration - Phys. Rev. Lett. 125, 022301 (2020)

- The Chiral Magnetic Effect

Kharzeev, McLerran, Warringa - Nuclear Physics A 803 (2008)
Wen (STAR Collaboration) - J. Phys.: Conf. Ser. 779, 012067 (2017)
CMS Collaboration - Phys. Rev. C 97, 044912 (2018)

- Contribution to the splitting of Λ - $\bar{\Lambda}$ polarization

STAR Collaboration - Nature 548, 62–65 (2017)
Becattini, Karpenko, Lisa, Upsal, Voloshin - Phys. Rev. C 95, 054902 (2017)
Guo, Shi, Feng, Liao - Phys. Lett. B, Vol. 798, 10, 134929 (2019)

- Pressure anisotropy in QGP Bali, Bruckmann, Endrődi et al. - Journal of High Energy Physics 08 177 (2014)

- A shift in meson masses and quarkonia states

Andersen - Phys. Rev. D 86, 025020 (2012), Suzuki and Yoshida - Phys. Rev. D 93, 051502 (2016)

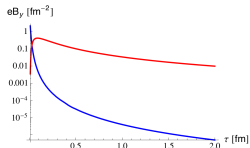
- Shift of the Critical Temperature Bali, Bruckmann, Endrődi et al. - Journal of High Energy Physics 02 044 (2012)

- Very low p_T charmonium photoproduction Shi, Zha, Chen - Phys. Lett. B 777, 399-405 (2018)

- $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^-$ Breit-Wheeler process STAR Collaboration - arXiv:1910.12400

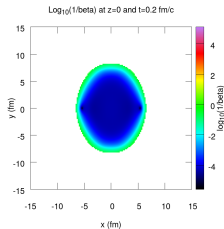
$\vec{B}$ fields in HIC are strong, but not too much and they decay fast!

Pb+Pb collision at $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=2.76$ TeV, $b=7$ fm



Blue line: vacuum Red line: $\sigma = 4.5$ MeV

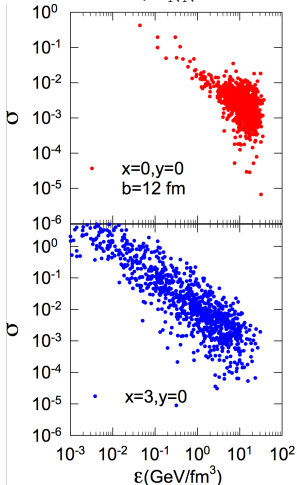
Gürsoy, Kharzeev, Rajagopal - Phys. Rev. C 89, 054905 (2014)



$\log_{10} \beta^{-1}$, where $\beta = 2p/B^2$,
at $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=5.5$ TeV, $b=7$ fm, $\sigma_0 = 5.8$ MeV

Huge initial magnetic fields, but thermal pressure still dominates!

Au-Au at $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=200$ GeV, Glauber-M.C., $t = 0.5$ fm



Roy, Pu - Phys. Rev. C 92, 064902 (2015)

$$\sigma(x, y, \vec{b}) = \frac{B^2(x, y, \vec{b})}{2\varepsilon(x, y, \vec{b})}$$

Why magneto-hydrodynamics

- hydrodynamics works well, MHD is just an improvement in which we consistently couple the evolution of the magnetic field with the dynamics of the fluid
- it is a well established approach well in astrophysics:
Whisky, BHAC, Pluto, ECHO, Flash...
- different levels of refinements are possible:
ideal MHD, resistive MHD, chiral MHD, multi-fluid MHD, spin MHD...

We started with the simplest approach: ideal magneto-hydrodynamics, by extending the capabilities of the ECHO-QGP code.

Del Zanna, Chandra, Inghirami, Rolando, Beraudo, De Pace, Pagliara, Drago, and Becattini - Eur.Phys.J. C73 (2013)
Becattini, Inghirami, Rolando, Beraudo, Del Zanna, De Pace, Nardi, Pagliara, Chandra - Eur. Phys. J. C 75 (2015), Erratum: Eur. Phys. J. C 78:354 (2018)
Inghirami, Del Zanna, Beraudo, Haddadi, Becattini, Bleicher - Eur. Phys. J. C (2016) 76: 659
Inghirami, Mace, Hirono, Del Zanna, Kharzeev, Bleicher - Eur. Phys. J. C (2020) 80: 293

The fundamental assumptions and equations of ideal MHD

- Energy and momentum conservation: $d_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0$
- Baryon number conservation: $d_\mu N^\mu = 0$
- Second law of thermodynamics: $d_\mu s^\mu \geq 0$
- Maxwell equations: $d_\mu F^{\mu\nu} = -I^\nu$ ($d_\mu I^\mu = 0$) $d_\mu F^{\star\mu\nu} = 0$
- We neglect dissipative effects. We also neglect polarization and magnetization effects.
- We assume to have infinite electrical conductivity.
Ohm's law: $I^\mu = \tilde{\rho}_e u^\mu + j^\mu$; $j^\mu = \sigma^{\mu\nu} e_\nu \Rightarrow e^\mu = 0$

Energy-momentum tensor $T^{\mu\nu}$

$$T^{\mu\nu} = T_m^{\mu\nu} + T_f^{\mu\nu}$$

Matter: $T_m^{\mu\nu} = (e + p)u^\mu u^\nu + pg^{\mu\nu}$

Electromagnetic field: $T_f^{\mu\nu} = b^2 u^\mu u^\nu + \frac{1}{2} b^2 g^{\mu\nu} - b^\mu b^\nu$

The energy momentum tensor components

We work with $\vec{E}$ and $\vec{B}$, measured in the *laboratory frame*.

The relations with the four-vectors e^μ and b^μ in the comoving frame are:

$$e^\mu = (\gamma v_k E^k, \gamma E^i + \gamma \varepsilon^{ijk} v_j B_k)$$

$$b^\mu = (\gamma v_k B^k, \gamma B^i - \gamma \varepsilon^{ijk} v_j E_k)$$

Ideal Ohm'law in the laboratory frame: $e^\mu = 0 \Rightarrow E_i = -\varepsilon_{ijk} v^j B^k$

Components of the energy-momentum tensor

$$\text{Energy density } \mathcal{E} \equiv -T_0^0 = (e + p)\gamma^2 - p + \frac{1}{2}(E_k E^k + B_k B^k)$$

$$\text{Momentum density } S_i \equiv T_i^0 = (e + p)\gamma^2 v_i + \varepsilon_{ijk} E^j B^k$$

$$\text{Stresses } T_j^i = (e + p)\gamma^2 v^i v_j + (p + \frac{1}{2}(E_k E^k + B_k B^k))\delta_j^i - E^i E_j - B^i B_j$$

The evolution equations

The equations are rewritten in *conservative form* and numerically solved with finite-difference methods.

The evolution equations in conservative form

$$\partial_0 \mathbf{U} + \partial_i \mathbf{F}^i = \mathbf{S}$$

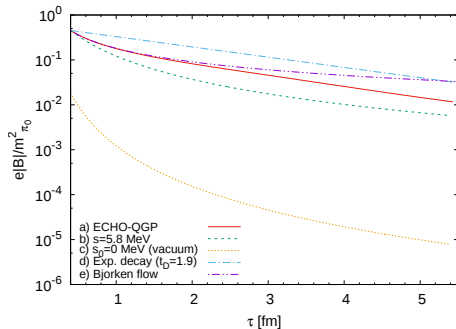
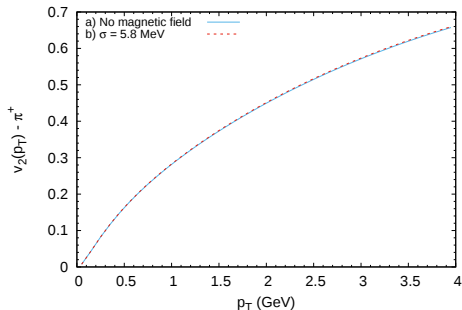
where

$$\mathbf{U} = |g|^{\frac{1}{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \gamma^n \\ S_j \equiv T_j^0 \\ \mathcal{E} \equiv -T_0^0 \\ B^j \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{F}^i = |g|^{\frac{1}{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \gamma^n v^i \\ T_j^i \\ S^i \equiv -T_0^i \\ v^i B^j - B^i v^j \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{S} = |g|^{\frac{1}{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} T^{ik} \partial_j g_{ik} \\ -\frac{1}{2} T^{ik} \partial_0 g_{ik} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Computation of thermal particle spectra with the Cooper-Frye method:

$$E \frac{d^3 N_i}{dp^3} = \frac{d^3 N_i}{dy p_T dp_T d\phi} = \frac{g_i}{(2\pi)^3} \int_{\Sigma} \frac{-p^\mu d^3 \Sigma_\mu}{\exp \left[-\frac{u^\mu p_\mu + \mu_i}{T_f} \right] \pm 1},$$

Initial conditions for the magnetic field based on [Tuchin, Phys. Rev. C 88, 024911 \(2013\)](#)



[Inghirami, Del Zanna, Beraudo, Haddadi Moghaddam, Becattini, Bleicher - EPJC 76 n.12, 659 \(2016\)](#)

Computation of the initial $\vec{B}$ field

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$$\begin{aligned}B_{\phi}(t, \mathbf{x}) &= \frac{Q}{4\pi} \cdot \frac{v\gamma x_T}{\Delta^{3/2}} \left(1 + \frac{\sigma v\gamma}{2} \sqrt{\Delta}\right) e^A, \\B_r(t, \mathbf{x}) &= -\sigma_{\chi} \frac{Q}{8\pi} \cdot \frac{v\gamma^2 x_T}{\Delta^{3/2}} \cdot \left[\gamma(vt - z) + A\sqrt{\Delta}\right] e^A, \\B_z(t, \mathbf{x}) &= \sigma_{\chi} \frac{Q}{8\pi} \cdot \frac{v\gamma}{\Delta^{3/2}} \cdot \\&\quad \left[\gamma^2(vt - z)^2 \left(1 + \frac{\sigma v\gamma}{2} \sqrt{\Delta}\right) + \Delta \left(1 - \frac{\sigma v\gamma}{2} \sqrt{\Delta}\right)\right] e^A\end{aligned}$$

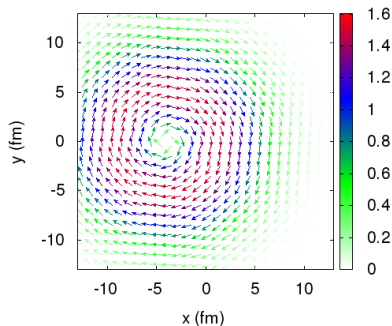
where: σ is the electric conductivity, σ_{χ} the chiral magnetic conductivity,
 $\Delta \equiv \gamma^2(vt - z)^2 + x_T^2$, $A \equiv (\sigma v\gamma/2)[\gamma(vt - z) - \sqrt{\Delta}]$

Li, Sheng and Wang, Phys. Rev. C 94, 044903 (2016)

Orientation of the magnetic field

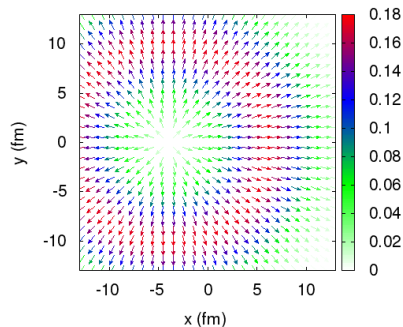
Magnetic field of a lead ion at LHC energy.

B_ϕ (Pb+Pb @ 2760 GeV, $b=8$ fm, $\eta=0$, $\tau=0.2$ fm, units: $m^2 \pi_0$)



Magnetic field of *classic* origin, at $\tau = 0.2$ fm/c,
 $\eta = 0$, $b=8$ fm, $\sigma = 5.8$ MeV

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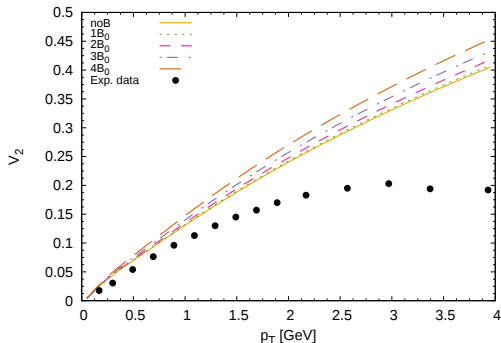


Magnetic field of *chiral* origin, at $\tau = 0.2$ fm/c,
 $\eta = 0$, $b=8$ fm, $\sigma_\chi = 1.5$ MeV
($\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0$: $B_z \neq 0$ not plotted !)

Effects of large initial B fields on $v_2(p_T)$ of $\pi^\pm$

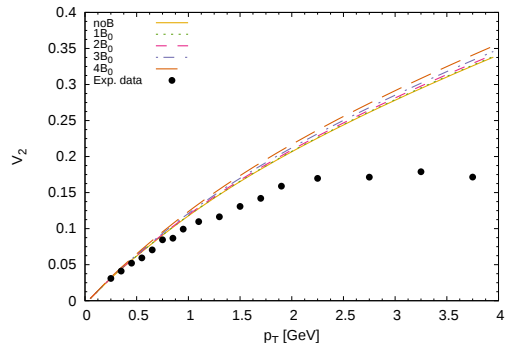
Initial conditions for the $\vec{B}$ field as in:

Li, Sheng and Wang, Phys. Rev. C 94, 044903 (2016) - Tuchin, Phys. Rev. C 88 (2013)



v_2 of $\pi^\pm$ (RHIC)

Au+Au @ $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV, $b=8$ fm,
 $\sigma = 5.8$ MeV, $\sigma_\chi = 1.5$ MeV, $\tau_0 = 0.4$ fm/c,
 Exp. data from Phys. Rev. C 72:014904 (2005)



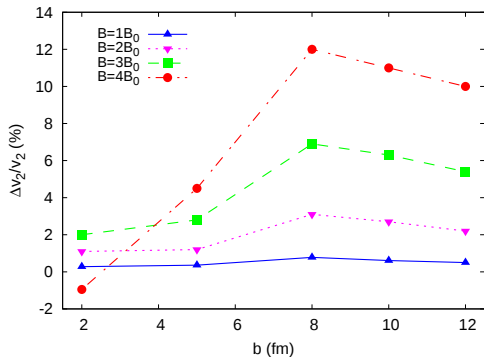
v_2 of $\pi^\pm$ (LHC)

Pb+Pb @ $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV, $b=8$ fm,
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 Exp. data from Phys. Rev. L., 105:252302 (2010)

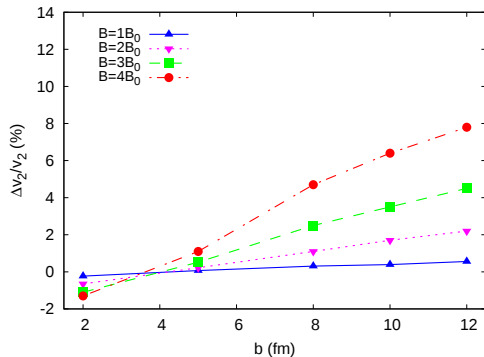
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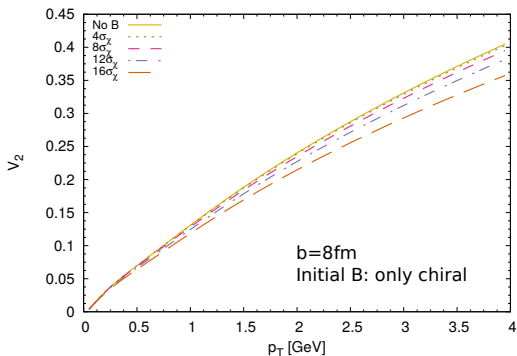
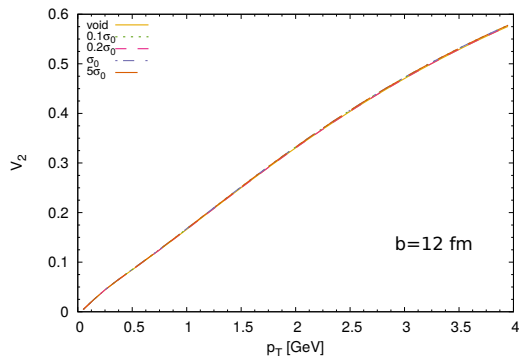
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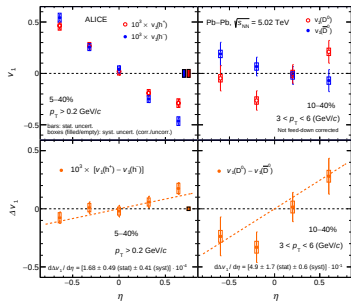
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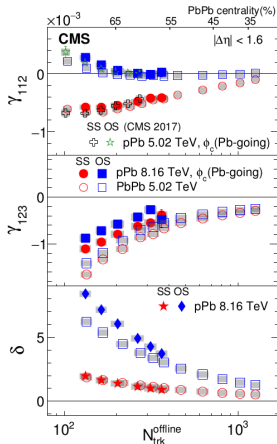


Plots based on data produced when preparing Inghirami et al., Eur. Phys. J. C (2020) 80: 293

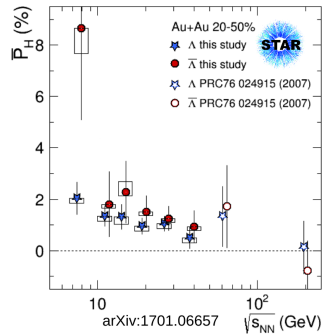
A quick glimpse on recent experimental measurements



ALICE collaboration
Phys. Rev. Lett. 125, 022301 (2020)



CMS collaboration
Phys. Rev. C 97, 044912 (2018)



STAR collab., Nature 548, 62 (2017)

Electric charge density in the fluid comoving frame - Method 1

Maxwell equations: $\nabla_\mu F^{\mu\nu} = -I^\nu$, $\nabla_\mu F^{*\mu\nu} = 0$.

Faraday tensor decomposition: $F^{\mu\nu} = u^\mu e^\nu - u^\nu e^\mu + \epsilon^{\mu\nu\lambda\kappa} b_\lambda u_\kappa$,

$F^{*\mu\nu} = u^\mu b^\nu - u^\nu b^\mu - \epsilon^{\mu\nu\lambda\kappa} e_\lambda u_\kappa$.

Electric current decomposition: $I^\mu = \tilde{\rho}_e u^\mu + j^\mu$, with $\tilde{\rho}_e = -I^\mu u_\mu$.

Unit vector of the Eulerian observer: $n_\mu = (-1, 0, 0, 0)$, $n^\mu = (1, 0, 0, 0)$, so that:

$u^\mu = \Gamma n^\mu + \Gamma v^\mu$ and $I^\mu = \rho_e n^\mu + J^\mu$.

We get: $\tilde{\rho}_e = \Gamma(\rho_e - J^i v_i)$.

$\rho_e = \partial_k(E^k)$ and, in Milne/Bjorken coord., from $\partial_\tau(\tau E^i) - \partial_k(\frac{[ijk]}{\tau} \tau B_j) + \tau J^i = 0$, we get:

$$J^i = \frac{\partial_k([ijk]B_j) - \partial_\tau(\tau E^i)}{\tau}.$$

Eventually: $\tilde{\rho}_e = \Gamma \left(\partial_k(E^k) - \frac{1}{\tau} [\partial_k([ijk]B_j) - \partial_\tau(\tau E^i)] v_i \right)$.

In cartesian coordinates: $\tilde{\rho}_e = \Gamma \left[\nabla \cdot \vec{E} - \left(\nabla \times \vec{B} - \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} \right) \cdot \vec{v} \right]$.

Electric charge density in the fluid comoving frame - Method 2

Kinematic vorticity: $\omega^\lambda = \epsilon^{\mu\nu\lambda\kappa} \nabla_\mu u_\nu u_\kappa = \epsilon^{\mu\nu\lambda\kappa} \partial_\mu u_\nu u_\kappa$

We split the covariant derivative of the fluid velocity as:

$$\nabla_\mu u_\nu = -u_\mu a_\nu + \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda\kappa} \omega^\lambda u^\kappa,$$

where $a^\mu = (u^\nu \nabla_\nu) u^\mu$ is the acceleration.

$$F^{\mu\nu} \nabla_\mu u_\nu = e^\mu a_\mu + b^\mu \omega_\mu$$

$$\nabla_\mu e^\mu = \nabla_\mu (F^{\mu\nu} u_\nu) = -I^\mu u_\mu + F^{\mu\nu} \nabla_\mu u_\nu$$

But $-I^\mu u_\mu = \tilde{\rho}_e$, with $\tilde{\rho}_e$ electric charge density in the LRF $\Rightarrow$

$$\tilde{\rho}_e = \nabla_\mu e^\mu - F^{\mu\nu} \nabla_\mu u_\nu$$

After a substitution: $\tilde{\rho}_e = \nabla_\mu e^\mu - e^\mu a_\mu - b^\mu \omega_\mu$

In the ideal MHD approximation: $e^\mu = 0$. Moreover, if (Ohm's law) $e^\mu = \eta_r j^\mu$ holds and $\eta_r = 0$, then $\nabla_\mu e^\mu = \eta_r \nabla_\mu j^\mu = 0$.

$$\tilde{\rho}_e = -b^\mu \omega_\mu.$$

See: Mignone, Mattia, Bodo, Del Zanna - Mon.Not.Roy.Astron.Soc. 486 3 (2019)

Generation of charge dependent spectra

Temporary (very raw) approach, used with thermal spectra:

- we consider only pion production
- we modify the distribution functions of pions f^0 according to a factor λ , dependent on the local charge density, so that the distribution function of positive and negative pions become $f^+ = (1 + \lambda)f^0$ and $f^- = (1 - \lambda)f^0$, obtaining at the end the same total number of pions $2f^0$, but with different abundancies of π^+ and π^-

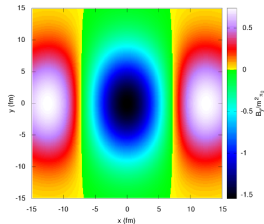
- $$n_{\pi}^{\pm} = \frac{1}{2\pi^2(\hbar c)^3} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{p^2}{e^{[(\sqrt{m^2 + p^2} - \mu)/T] - 1}} dp$$

- $\mu \cong 0$, $T_{f.o.} = 154 \text{ MeV}$, $m_{\pi^{\pm}} = 139.6 \text{ MeV} \rightarrow n_{\pi} \cong 0.04462$,
 $\rho_c^0 = \pm n_{\pi} \sqrt{4\pi\alpha\hbar c} \cong 0.006 (\text{GeVfm})^{1/2}$.

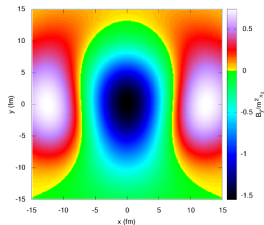
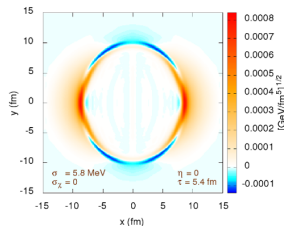
- $n_{\pi^{\pm}}^* = n_{\pi^{\pm}} (1 + s \cdot \rho_c / (2\rho_c^0))$, $s = \text{sign of the electric charge}$

Electric charge density in the fluid comoving frame supports the possibility of CME

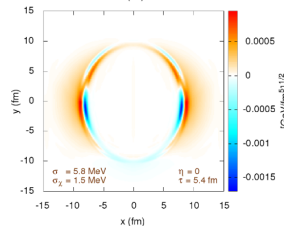
Initial $\vec{B}$ fields from axial charges produce a charge density asymmetry w. respect to the reaction plane



"classic" magnetic field

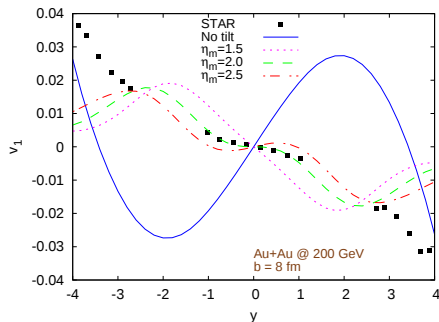


"classic + chiral"
magnetic field



Left: initial B_y at $\tau = 0.4$ fm at $\eta = 0$, right: electric charge density in the fluid LRF at $\tau = 5.4$ fm at $\eta = 0$.

Charge dependent azimuthal asymmetry and directed flow



Au+Au @ $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV, $b=8$ fm,
 $\sigma = 5.8$ MeV, $\sigma_\chi = 1.5$ MeV, $\tau_0 = 0.4$ fm/c,

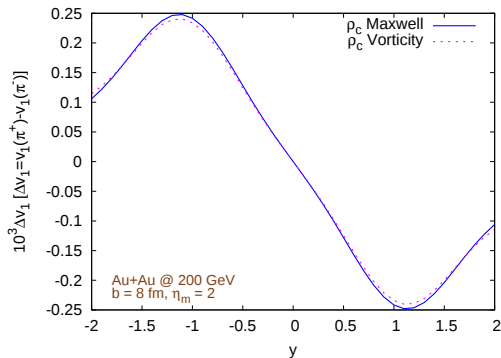
Initial en. dens. *tilting* as in:

Bozek and Wyskiel, Phys.Rev.C 81 (2010) 054902

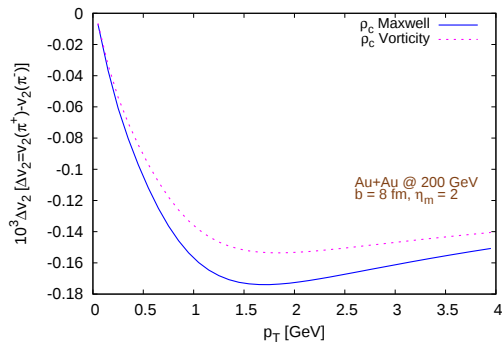
	$\langle \sin \phi \rangle (\pi^+)$	$\langle \sin \phi \rangle (\pi^-)$	$\Delta \langle \sin \phi \rangle$
Classic $\vec{B}$	$-1.49 \cdot 10^{-15}$	$-1.67 \cdot 10^{-15}$	$1.8 \cdot 10^{-16} \approx 0$
Chiral $\vec{B}$	$-2.82 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$+2.82 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$-5.64 \cdot 10^{-6}$
Cl. + Ch. $\vec{B}$	$8.16 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$-5.54 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1.37 \cdot 10^{-4}$

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Charge dependent flows: opposite sign of Δv_1 w.r.t. experimental data



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Another very interesting work:

Gürsoy, Kharzeev, Marcus, Rajagopal, Chun Shen - Phys.Rev.C 98 (2018) 5, 055201

The next steps

- Resistive-“chiral” MHD:

$$\partial_t \mathbf{E} - \nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{J}_{\text{Ohm}} + \mathbf{J}_{\text{CME}} = \sigma \mathbf{E} + \sigma_A \mathbf{B}$$

[Del Zanna & Bucciantini, MNRAS, 479, 1 \(2018\)](#)

Probable future approach for charge dependent spectra (with resistive MHD): $f = f_0 + \delta f$,

$$\delta f = \frac{1}{T} \frac{q_e \tau_{rel}}{p^\mu u_\mu} f_0 (1 \pm f_0) p_\nu \left[E^\nu - \frac{1}{2} u_\mu \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} (u_\alpha B_\beta - u_\beta B_\alpha) \right]$$

[\(Feng and Wang - Phys.Rev. C95 \(2017\) no.5,054912\)](#)

Re-inclusion of viscosity, better enforcement of the solenoidal condition.

- Explicit axial current evolution:

$$\partial_\mu J^A = -C_A E_\mu B^\mu, \quad J_A^\mu = n_A u^\mu + J_{A(1)}^\mu$$

$$E_{(1)}^\mu = -\frac{1}{\sigma} [C_A \mu_A B^\mu + T \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} u_\nu \partial_\alpha \left(\frac{H_\beta}{T} \right)]$$

Warning: only first order. Second order under development.

[Hattori, Hirono, Yee, Yin - Phys. Rev. D 100, 065023 \(2019\)](#)

- Explicit electric charge evolution

[Denicol, Huang, Molnár, Monteiro, Niemi, Noronha, Rischke, Wang - Phys. Rev. D 98, 076009 \(2018\)](#)

- Reconsider initial conditions and final hadronic phase

[Eskola, Niemi, Paatelainen - Phys. Rev. C 93, 024907 \(2016\)](#), UrQMD, SMASH

Thank you!