



## Correlations in UPC according to ATLAS

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#### Collective flow





- Collective behaviour seen in Pb+Pb, p+Pb and pp at LHC and RHIC.
- Manifests as ridge (see talk by KKG for more details).
- Question: Can we see the same in photo-nuclear reactions?

## QGP or?





- These can be signatures of QGP,
  - Spatial non-uniformities of initial state → hydrodynamic expansion → final state momentum-space anisotropies (ridge)
- or momentum correlations in the initial state.
  - Lead ion system is already complicated enough.
  - Do we see a footprint of the "beam" complexity?
- Tested in collision systems with "simple" beam.
  - $e^+e^-$  and ep collisions showed no ridge.
- Study of  $\gamma$ +A interactions.
  - Typical multiplicity larger than  $e^+e^-$  or ep, but smaller than pp.

## This paper results





- $v_2$  somehow represents the flow.
- We see, there is some flow in  $\gamma$ +A.
- Relatively large systematics (Can ALICE do better?).
- Comparison to p+Pb and pp is shown.
- Similar  $p_T$  and multiplicity dependence.
- Overall smaller magnitude.
- That's all we can say.
- For better figures google ATLAS-CONF-2019-022

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# Technicalities

Can we measure it at ALICE?

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#### Data and detector coverage



- Pb+Pb collected in 2018
- $\sqrt{s_{\rm NN}} = 5.02$  TeV.
- $\mathscr{L} = 1.73 \text{ nb}^{-1}$
- Detectors (|n| < 5):
  - **zero-degree calorimeter** ( $|\eta| > 8.3$ ),
  - forward calorimeters  $(3.2 < |\eta| < 4.9)$ ,
  - inner-detector system (silicon pixel) ( $|\eta| < 2.5$ ),
  - transition radiation tracker ( $|\eta| < 2$ ).
  - central-barrel EM calorimeters ( $|\eta| < 3.2$ ),
  - central-barrel LAr presampler ( $|\eta| < 1.8$ ).
  - central-barrel Hadronic calorimeter ( $|\eta| < 1.7$ ).
- Axial magnetic field of 2 Tesla.

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## Data selection

Introducing the magical cut!

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## Trigger and offline cuts



- Final rate of accepted events: 1-4 kHz (ALICE was set to 8 kHz).
- Several triggers:
  - Online trigger:
    - **ZDC** have at least 1 neutron in Pb-going side and 0 in  $\gamma$ -going side (0NXN),
    - max energy in the calorimeter of 200 GeV,
    - minimum Bias required at least 1 track with  $p_T > 0.4$  GeV,
    - high multiplicity triggers (HMT) needs 15, 25 and 35 tracks from the same vertex,
    - HMT needs max energy of FCal in  $\gamma$ -going side (separate peripheral events),
    - special trigger to look for physics background energy in both ZDC sides.
  - Offline selections:
    - Some quality criteria on track based on *pp* data-taking,
    - tracks have  $p_T > 0.4$  GeV,
    - $\blacksquare$  tracks have  $|\eta|<$  2.5,
    - DCA less than 1.5 mm,
    - vertex is z < 90 mm.

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## Reconstructed pseudorapidity gap quantities (yes, its a name)



**3** competing processes:

- Photo-nuclear collision (we want them),
- peripheral hadronic Pb+Pb collisions,
- dissociative  $\gamma \gamma \rightarrow X$ .
- Use rapidity gaps to distinguish.
- Hard to find a large one amongst many fragments.
- Introduction of sum of gaps as follows:
  - Order tracks and clusters in  $\eta$ ,
  - Include  $\Delta \eta$  of adjascent tracks to final sum if > 0.5.

$$\Sigma_{\gamma} \Delta \eta_{\text{gap}}, \qquad \Sigma_{\text{A}} \Delta \eta_{\text{gap}}$$
 (1)

## Reconstructed pseudorapidity gap quantities (yes, its a name)

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$$\Sigma_{\gamma} \Delta \eta_{gap} > 2.5, \qquad \Sigma_{A} \Delta \eta_{gap} < 3$$
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# Non-flow subtraction

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## What is correlation function and how you measure it

Correlation is a function of pair relative separation in pseudorapidity and azimuth.



$$\Delta \phi = \phi^{a} - \phi^{b}, \qquad \Delta \eta = \eta^{a} - \eta^{b} \qquad (3)$$
$$\Upsilon(\Delta \phi, \Delta \eta) = \frac{1}{N_{a}} \left\langle \frac{\mathbf{d}^{2} N_{pair}}{\mathbf{d} \Delta \phi \cdot \mathbf{d} \Delta \eta} \right\rangle \qquad (4)$$

$$Y(\Delta \phi) = \int_{|\Delta \eta|=2.}^{|\Delta \eta|=5.} (\Delta \phi, \Delta \eta)$$
 (5)



### How to get the flow coefficients



$$v_{n,n} = v_n^2 \tag{6}$$

- You want the coefficients (v<sub>2</sub> and v<sub>3</sub>) of the fourrier decomposition of the correlation function.
- To remove non-flow effects, ATLAS standardly uses this template fit.

$$\mathcal{Y}^{\mathsf{HM}}(\Delta\phi) = L\mathcal{Y}^{\mathsf{LM}}(\Delta\phi) + G\left\{1 + 2\sum_{n=2}^{3} v_{n,n}\cos(n\Delta\phi)\right\}$$

$$= L\mathcal{Y}^{\mathsf{LM}}(\Delta\phi) + \mathcal{Y}^{\mathsf{ridge}}(\Delta\phi)$$
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HM means high multiplicity, LM means low multiplicity.

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#### Non-flow subtraction





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#### Fourrier vs. template fits





• Fourrier coeff. of simultanoues fit contains the background, mainly jet contribution.

• Hint: Higher  $p_t$  or low number of tracks corresponds to more jet-like event.

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# Systematic uncertainties

Dominant contributions taken from paper

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#### **Systematics**

- Dominant uncertainties:
  - pair pseudorapidity difference (5-15%),
    - Pair chosen from  $2.0 < |\Delta \eta| < 5.0$ .
    - Lower bound to avoid jet-like contribution.
    - Varied from 1.8 to 2.2.
  - low multiplicity reference (10-35%),
    - $Y^{LM}$  chosen from events with 15-20 tracks.
    - i.e. distribution of photon energies can be different than in  $Y^{HM}$
    - Analysis redone with  $Y^{LM}$  chosen from events with 10-15 tracks.
  - exclusion of tracks from  $\Sigma_{\gamma} \Delta \eta_{gap}$  (5-10%).
    - Investigating effect of these excluded tracks to the two-particle correlation.
- Other contributions:
  - trigger efficiency, event selection, acceptance effects in correlation function, reconstruction inefficiency, low multiplicity shape parametrisation, multiplicity dependence of flow coefficients,  $\Delta \phi$  binning

# What about ALICE?

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