MPD-FXT flow performance with Bi+Bi at the beam energy of 1.45A GeV ($\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ =2.5 GeV)

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Anisotropic flow & spectators

The azimuthal angle distribution is decomposed in a Fourier series relative to reaction plane angle:



$$arphi(arphi-\Psi_{RP})=rac{1}{2\pi}(1+2\sum_{n=1}^\infty v_n\cos n(arphi-\Psi_{RP}))$$
Anisotropic flow:

$$v_n = \langle \cos \left[n (arphi - \Psi_{RP})
ight]
angle$$

Anisotropic flow is sensitive to:

- Time of the interaction between overlap region and spectators
- Compressibility of the created matter



Discrepancy is probably due to non-flow correlations

Describing the high-density matter using the mean field Flow measurements constrain the mean field

Selecting the model



MPD in Fixed-Target Mode (FXT)



- Model used: UrQMD mean-field Bi+Bi@1.45A GeV
- Point-like target
- GEANT4 transport
- Particle species selection via true-PDG code of the associated sim particle

The BM@N experiment (GEANT4 simulation for RUN8)



Square-like tracking system within the magnetic field deflecting particles along X-axis

Charge splitting on the surface of the FHCal is observed due to magnetic field



MPD has greater coverage of backward area (even covers projectile spectators) and MPD covers midrapidity region

BM@N has greater coverage of forward area

BM@N vs MPD: η - ϕ acceptance







• MPD has more uniform acceptance along φ-axis

• BM@N has non-uniform acceptance due to square-like shape of the tracking system

Flow vectors

From momentum of each measured particle define a u_n -vector in transverse plane:

$$u_n=e^{in\phi}$$

where ϕ is the azimuthal angle

Sum over a group of u_n -vectors in one event forms Q_n -vector:

$$Q_n = rac{\sum_{k=1}^N w_n^k u_n^k}{\sum_{k=1}^N w_n^k} = |Q_n| e^{in \Psi_n^{EP}}$$

 $\Psi_{n}^{\ \text{EP}}$ is the event plane angle

Modules of FHCal divided into 3 groups





Additional subevents from tracks not pointing at FHCal: Tp: p; -1.0<y<-0.6; Tπ: π-; -1.5<y<-0.2;

Flow methods for v_n calculation

Tested in HADES:

M Mamaev et al 2020 PPNuclei 53, 277–281 M Mamaev et al 2020 J. Phys.: Conf. Ser. 1690 012122

Scalar product (SP) method:

$$v_1 = rac{\langle u_1 Q_1^{F1}
angle}{R_1^{F1}} \qquad v_2 = rac{\langle u_2 Q_1^{F1} Q_1^{F3}
angle}{R_1^{F1} R_1^{F3}}$$

Where R_1 is the resolution correction factor

$$R_1^{F1}=\langle \cos(\Psi_1^{F1}-\Psi_1^{RP})
angle$$

Symbol "F2(F1,F3)" means R₁ calculated via (3S resolution):

$$R_1^{F2(F1,F3)} = rac{\sqrt{\langle Q_1^{F2}Q_1^{F1}
angle \langle Q_1^{F2}Q_1^{F3}
angle}}{\sqrt{\langle Q_1^{F1}Q_1^{F3}
angle}}$$

Method helps to eliminate non-flow Using 2-subevents doesn't



Symbol "F2{Tp}(F1,F3)" means R₁ calculated via (4S resolution):

$$R_1^{F2\{Tp\}(F1,F3)} = \langle Q_1^{F2}Q_1^{Tp}
angle rac{\sqrt{\langle Q_1^{F1}Q_1^{F3}
angle}}{\sqrt{\langle Q_1^{Tp}Q_1^{F1}
angle \langle Q_1^{Tp}Q_1^{F3}
angle}}$$

SP: R_1 for FHCal spectator plane



Good agreement between R₁ calculated using different combinations of Q-vectors with significant rapidity separation









MPD-FXT: v_1 for π +





MPD-FXT: v_1 for π -





Summary

- The feasibility study for the flow measurements in the MPD experiment in a fixed-target mode was carried out with GEANT4 detector simulation and UrQMD Bi+Bi@1.45A GeV events as an input
- Acceptances of the BM@N and MPD facilities were compared:
 - MPD has greater coverage of the backward rapidities and midrapidity region
 - MPD has more uniform coverage for the azimuthal angle
- The procedure for the resolution correction factor R₁ with 3 sub-event method and rapidity-separated combinations of Q-vectors was employed
 - Two separate estimations for the R₁ for each symmetry plane were found in a good agreement
- Directed and elliptic flow for protons and light mesons were measured
 - $\circ~$ For each particle species $v_1^{}$ and $v_2^{}$ are consistent with the model signal mostly in backward rapidities
- We made an official request for mass production for $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ =2.5, 3.0, 3.5 (GeV)

Backup

STAR-FXT vs JAM



R_1 for FHCal spectator plane



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v_1 for protons



 v_2 for protons



 V_1 for pi+



 v_2 for pi+



 v_1 for pi-



v₂ for pi-



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pT-y distribution of primary protons in the model

