

Blast-Wave model for particle identification and elliptic flow in heavy ion collisions at high energies

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Structure of matter and strong interaction





QCD (quantum cromodynamics) - the theory of strong interaction

Strong interaction has 2 unusual properties:

- <u>Asymptotic freedom</u>: the more the quarks approach one another, the stronger the nuclear force decreases, asymptotically approaching the zero value
- <u>**Confinement**</u>: quarks exist only confined in hadrons



Quark gluon plasma



QCD predicts a new state of matter -> a deconfined system of quarks and gluons -> quark gluon plasma



Evolution in time of a relativistic collision





Elliptic flow

In a non-central collision, the overlapping region is not symmetrical in the transverse plane having an elliptical shape.

The pressure gradients "push" the particles on the x-axis (flow)

Multiple collisions \longrightarrow asymmetry in momentum space \longrightarrow anisotropic flow

Elliptic flow

- has the highest contribution,
- can constrain the freeze-out conditions of the medium,
- can constrain the mechanisms of particle production.





Blast-Wave model

Blast-Wave parameterization is similar to the freeze-out configuration obtained from hydrodynamic calculations.

The main purpose is to quantify the parameters of the freeze-out configuration. Lisa Retiere model has 8 parameters:

- 1. T (freeze-out temperature),
- 2. ρ_0 (radial flow),
- *3.* ρ_2 (ellipticity),
- 4. Rx, Ry (source radii),
- 5. a_s (surface of source emission),
- 6. τ_0 (the Gaussian distribution peak of longitudinal proper time),
- 7. $\Delta \tau$ (the width of the Gaussian distribution).



ALICE detector





Inner Tracking System detector





Time Projection Chamber detector











Results



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Conclusions

- 1. Fits of spectra and elliptic velocities depending on the centrality has been presented,
- 2. Analyzing the freeze out temperature, ellipticity and azimuthal variation of source density we noticed differences caused by the strange quark in the second class of particles,
- 3. χ^2 /NDF test is presented as a function of centrality in order to show the deviation in used intervals.



Thank you for your attention!

