# Lambda polarization in peripheral heavy ion collisions

# Laszlo Pal Csernai, Yilong Xie, Dujuan Wang, Marcus Bleicher, Horst Stoecker

Workshop on Chirality, Vorticity and Magnetic Field in Heavy Ion Collisions, 19-22 March 2018, Galileo Galilei Institute, Firenze



### PIChydro

Pb+Pb 1.38+1.38 A TeV, b= 70 % of b\_max

Lagrangian fluid cells, moving, ~ 5 mill.

MIT Bag m. EoS

FO at T ~ 200 MeV, but calculated much longer, until pressure is zero for 90% of the cells.

Structure and asymmetries of init. state are maintained in nearly perfect expansion.

# **Periheral Collisions - Initial State**



y

ίu<sub>b</sub>

U<sub>b</sub>

Z

# **Initial State – Peripheral reactions**

Magas, Csernai, Strottman (2001), (2002)

- Yang-Mills flux tube model for longitudinal streaks
- String tension is decreasing at the periphery
- Initial shear & vorticity is present













4

# Shear & Turbulence → KHI

L.P. Csernai<sup>1,2,3</sup>, D.D. Strottman<sup>2,3</sup>, and Cs. Anderlik<sup>4</sup> PHYSICAL REVIEW C **85**, 054901 (2012)





## Kelvin – Helmholtz Instability

PICR Hydro (2012)

# Present parton kinetic models - HIJING, AMPT, PACIAE

Different space-time configurations

[Long-Gang Pang, Hannah Petersen, Guang-You Qin, Victor Roy and Xin-Nian Wang, 27 September - 3 October **2015**, Kobe, Japan; and Long-Gang Pang, Hannah Petersen, Guang-You Qin, Victor Roy, Xin-Nian Wang, arXiv: **15**11.04131 ]



0.15

0,10

0.05

7

0



# Present parton kinetic models - HIJING, AMPT, PATHIA

Different space-time configurations

[Wei-Tian Deng, and Xu-Guang Huang, arXiv: 1609.01801]





8

# Consequences – vorticity (2013):



- Will be similar to the **2001-2** I.S. in (t,z) coordinates
- More compact  $\rightarrow$  vorticity may survive better
- The earlier results will remain qualitatively similar:



Fig. 3 The vorticity calculated in the reaction (xz) plane at t = 0.17 fm/c after the start of fluid dynamical evolution.



Fig. 4. The dominant y component of the observable polarization,  $\Pi_0(p)$  in the  $\Lambda$ 's rest frame.

The initial rotation can lead to observable **vorticity** (Fig. 3), and polarization (Fig. 4): Leading vorticity term. The initial angular momentum can be transferred to the **polarization** at final state, via <u>spin-orbit coupling or equipartition</u>.

> [L. P. Csernai, et al, PRC **87**, 034906 **(2013)**] [F. Becattini, et al. PRC **88**, 034905 **(2013)**]

## **Consequences:**

Based on Ref. [Becattini, **2013**],  $\Lambda$  polarization can be calculated as:

$$\Pi(p) = \frac{\hbar\epsilon}{8m} \frac{\int dV n_F(x,p) (\nabla \times \beta)}{\int dV n_F(x,p)} \qquad \qquad \text{Vorticity, 1st} \\ + \frac{\hbar p}{8m} \times \frac{\int dV n_F(x,p) (\partial_t \beta + \nabla \beta^0)}{\int dV n_F(x,p)} \qquad \qquad \text{Expansion, 2nd}$$

where  $\beta^{\mu}(x) = [1/T(x)]u^{\mu}(x)$  is the inverse temperature four-vector field. Then thermal vorticity is  $\omega = \nabla \times \beta$ .

The polarization 3-vector in the rest frame of particle can be found by Lorentz-boosting the above four-vector:

$$\Pi_0(p) = \Pi(p) - \frac{p}{p^0(p^0 + m)} \Pi(p) \cdot p ,$$

[F. Becattini, L.P. Csernai, and D.J. Wang, Phys. Rev. C 88, 034905 (2013)]

Y. L. Xie,<sup>1</sup> M. Bleicher,<sup>2,3</sup> H. Stöcker,<sup>2,3</sup> D. J. Wang,<sup>4</sup> and L. P. Csernai<sup>1</sup>

 $\Lambda$  polarization in peripheral collisions at moderately relativistic energies

## **Consequences:**

PHYSICAL REVIEW C 94, 054907 (2016)



Fig. 6 The first (left) and second (right) term of the dominant *y* component of the  $\Lambda$  polarization for momentum vectors in the transverse plane at  $p_z = 0$ , for the FAIR U+U reaction at 8.0 GeV

- The y component is dominant, is up to  $\sim$ 20%, as we can compare it with x and z components later.
- 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> terms are opposite direction. Result into a relatively smaller value of global polarization.

# Consequences

# / c.m. !

• y

Ζ

(b)

X

(d)

X

⊗z

y



Fig. 7 The first (left) and second (right) terms of the x(up) and y(down) components of the  $\Lambda$  polarization for momentum vectors in the transverse plane at pz = 0,for the FAIR U+U reaction at 8.0 GeV [Xie, Bleicher, Stoecker, Wang, Csernai,

PRC 94, 054907 (2016). ]

#### At the highest energies / Rel. Hydro.



FIG. 2. Map of longitudinal component of polarization of midrapidity A from a hydrodynamic calculation corresponding to 20%-50% central Au-Au collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV (left) and 20%–50% central Pb-Pb collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2760$  GeV (right).



# **Consequences FAIR**



The modulus of polarization is very similar with the y component of polarization, both in magnitude and the structure. I. e. the other x and z components do not contribute to the polarization, which is in line with previous observations in this work and other papers.



Fig. 8 The y component (left) of polarization vector in center of mass frame and  $\Lambda$ 's rest frame. The right sub-figure are the modulus of the polarization in  $\Lambda$ 's rest frame. At FAIR, 8.0 GeV at time 2.5+4.75 fm/c.

# **Consequences NICA**



Fig. 9 The y component (left) and the modulus (right) of the polarization for momentum vectors in the transverse plane at pz = 0, for the NICA Au+Au reaction at 9.3 GeV. The figure is in the  $\Lambda$ 's rest frame.

- Similarity between y component and modulus of Polarization, in magnitude and structure.
- Similarity between NICA and FAIR's polarization results.
- The net polarization is still negative, which means the first term is larger than the second term, at this time.

[Xie et al., PRC **94**, 054907 (**2016**)]

# **Consequences FAIR**



Fig. 9 The y component (left) and the modulus (right) of the polarization for momentum vectors in the transverse plane at pz = 0, for the FAIR U+U reaction at 8.0 GeV, but at an earlier time t= 2.5+1.7 fm/c. The figure is in the  $\Lambda$ 's rest frame.

Initially, the first term is very dominant

# Polarization and EbE c.m. determination

- Earlier EbE c.m. determination → increased V<sub>1</sub> by a factor of 2 [Cs.,E.,M., (2012)].
- Now polarization in x and z directions is symmetric in EbE c.m. frame!!!
- → integrated x & z polarizations vanish (except random fluct.)
- $\rightarrow$  finding EbE c.m. is possible by
  - Minimizing integrated  $\Pi_x \& \Pi_z$
  - Maximizing integrated  $-\Pi_v$

# Observable consequences

[Yilong Xie, Dujuan Wang, and Laszlo P. Csernai<sub>1</sub> PHYSICAL REVIEW C **95**, 031901(R) (2017)]



 $\Lambda$  & anti-  $\Lambda$  polarization

[ Xie et al., PRC 94, 054907 (2016).] FIG. 4. (Color online) The global polarization,  $2\langle \Pi_{0y} \rangle_p$ , in our PICR hydro-model (red circle) and STAR BES experiments (green triangle), at energies  $\sqrt{s}$  of 11.5GeV, 14.5GeV, 19.6GeV, 27GeV, 39GeV, 62.4GeV, and 200GeV. The red The experimental data were extracted from Ref[Mike Lisa], dropping the error bars.





# Global $\Lambda$ Polarization



[Global Λ hyperon polarization in nuclear collisions, STAR Collaboration Nature Letters -548, 62 (2017).]

- Positive  $\land$  signal  $\rightarrow$  positive vorticity
- First time non-zero signal observed!
- $\Lambda > \Lambda$  (?)  $\rightarrow$  magnetic coupling
- $\bullet$  First measurement on  $\varphi$  meson spin alignment

arXiv:1701.06657

#### February 5-11

#### Alexander Schmah - Quark Matter 2017

## **Λ & Anti-Λ Coupling to Nucleons**

Difference based on Hypernuclei: 1.0 – 1.5 MeV i.e. ~ 20% of nuclear binding energy !!!

Ξ ~ 20 Λ-hypernuclei ( $T_{1/2} = 10^{-10}$ s) 1953-1995





FIG. 2 (color online). Spin-orbit splitting  $\epsilon_A(nl_{l-1/2}) - \epsilon_A(nl_{l+1/2})$  in antineutron spectra of <sup>16</sup>O and <sup>208</sup>Pb versus the average energy of a pair of spin doublets. The vertical dashed line shows the continuum limit.

[ZhouSG-etal-PhysRevLett.91(2003)262501]

[SongCY-etal-IJMPE19(2010)2538]

Fig. 2. Spin-orbit splitting  $\epsilon_A(nl_{l-1/2}) - \epsilon_A(nl_{l+1/2})$  in the spectra of anti-Lambda and anti-neutron in <sup>16</sup>O versus the average energy of a pair of spin doublets. The vertical dashed line shows the continuum limit.

# Initiative: new I.S. in τ, η coordinates -> x,y,z,t

Thus for each streak, *i*, we can get the origin of the  $\tau = \tau_0$  hyperbola,  $t_{i0} \& z_{i0}$ .



# **Consequences – vorticity (2017):**

- Vorticity is max. at the edges, at high +/-X
- Consequence of the Bjorken type model
- Contradicts to AMPT and parton cascade results of [Wei-Tian Deng, and Xu-Guang Huang, arXiv: 1609.01801], where max. is at x=0.



# **Consequences – vorticity (2017):**

- Vorticity in x direction is max. at the edges, at high +/- y
- The two edges point to opposite directions, +/- x, i.e. cancel in total  $\omega_x$



# **Relativistic corrections in the new I.S. :**

The time derivative  $\partial_t \boldsymbol{\beta}$  is not included in the I.S. but the gradient term,

 $ablaeta^0$  , has finite contribution (on au =0 hypersurface):



25

# New Initial State – 2017/8

# z-directed vorticity

- I.S.:  $v_x \& v_y$  vanish everywhere,  $\beta_x \& \beta_y$  too
- $\rightarrow$  Initial  $\omega_z = 0 \rightarrow$  init. class.  $\Pi_z = 0$ .
- (except surface effects)
- y-directed vorticity
- →Classical polarization, Π<sub>y</sub>, is negative (-y directed),
- →Rel. polarization, Π<sub>y</sub>, may have small negative domains
- x-directed vorticity
- Integrated  $\omega_x = 0$ ,  $\rightarrow$  integrated class.  $\Pi_x$  vanishes, p-dependence is symmetric.

# Summary

- Collective flow is the most dominant collective feature of HI reactions.
- Peripheral reactions show shear, vorticity (turbulence) for small transport coefficients → exp. Λ-Polarization
- I.S. is of utmost importance, it can be implemented in (*t*, *z*) and (*τ*, *η*) hydro codes
- Different components, -y, x, z, and momentum dependence do show the weight of different dynamical flow patterns.
- $\rightarrow \Lambda$ -Polarization is highly sensitive diagnostic tool

