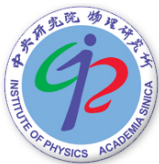


# Thermal model study of spin polarization of $\Lambda$ -hyperons created in relativistic heavy-ion collisions

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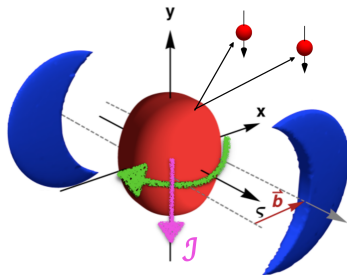
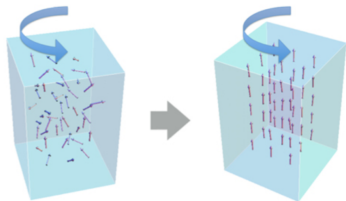
# Angular momentum and spin polarization of particles in heavy ion collisions

Nuclei colliding at ultrarelativistic energies creates fireball of large orbital angular momentum  $L_{init} \approx 10^5 \hbar$  (RHIC Au-Au 200 GeV,  $b=5$  fm) [F. Becattini, F. Piccinini and J. Rizzo, *Phys. Rev. C* **77**, 024906 (2008)].

Initially  $J_{init} = L_{init}$ , later some part of the angular momentum can be transferred from the orbital to the spin part  $J_{final} = L_{final} + S_{final}$ .

This may induce spin polarization, similar to magnetomechanical Barnett effect [S. J. Barnett, *Rev. Mod. Phys.* **7**, 129 (1935)].

Emerging particles are expected to be globally polarized with their spins on average pointing along the system angular momentum.



# Global $\Lambda$ polarization in RHIC experiment

The average polarization  $\bar{P}_H$  (where  $H = \Lambda$  or  $\bar{\Lambda}$ ) from 20 – 50% central Au+Au collisions [L. Adamczyk *et al.* (STAR), *Nature* 548 (2017) 62-65, arXiv:1701.06657 [nucl-ex]].

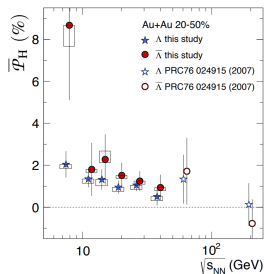
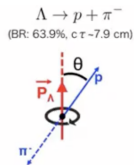


Figure: The average polarization versus collision energy



## How to describe the experimental data??

### Hydrodynamics which deals with the spin polarization of particles at freeze-out.

[F. Becattini, I. Karpenko, M. Lisa, I. Uppsala, S. Voloshin, Phys. Rev. C 95, 054902 (2017); F. Becattini, V. Chandra, L. Del Zanna, E. Grossi, Ann. Phys. 338, 32 (2013)]

- Hydrodynamics=local thermodynamic equilibrium+conservation laws.

Ideal	Dissipative
$T^{\mu\nu} = \epsilon u^\mu u^\nu - P \Delta^{\mu\nu}$ $N^\mu = n u^\mu$ <p>Unknowns: <math>\underbrace{\epsilon, P, n, u^\mu}_{=6}</math></p>	$T^{\mu\nu} = \epsilon u^\mu u^\nu - [P + \Pi] \Delta^{\mu\nu} + \pi^{\mu\nu}$ $N^\mu = n u^\mu + \nu^\mu$ <p>Unknowns: <math>\underbrace{\epsilon, P, n, u^\mu, \Pi, \pi^{\mu\nu}, \nu^\mu}_{=15}</math></p>
<p>Equations: <math>\underbrace{\partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0, \partial_\mu N^\mu = 0, EoS}_{4+1+1=6}</math></p>	
Closed set of equations	9 additional equations are needed

- $\Delta^{\mu\nu} = g^{\mu\nu} - u^\mu u^\nu$  and choice of Landau frame  $T^{\mu\nu} u_\nu = \epsilon u^\mu$ .
- For the simplest case,  $\pi^{\mu\nu} = 2\eta\sigma^{\mu\nu}$ ,  $\Pi = \zeta\nabla^\mu u_\mu$  and  $\nu^\mu = \kappa\nabla^\mu \xi$ .
- Here,  $\nabla^\mu = \Delta^{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu$  denotes the transverse gradient,  $\sigma^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} (\nabla^\mu u^\nu + \nabla^\nu u^\mu) - \frac{1}{3} \Delta^{\mu\nu} (\nabla^\lambda u_\lambda)$  is the shear flow tensor, while  $\eta$ ,  $\zeta$  and  $\kappa$  are the transport coefficients: namely coefficient of shear viscosity, bulk viscosity and charge or heat conductivity.

The main idea is to identify the spin polarization tensor  $\omega_{\mu\nu}$  with thermal vorticity  $\varpi^{\mu\nu}$  and then to obtain the results for spin polarization. [F. Becattini, V. Chandra, L. Del Zanna, E. Grossi, Ann. Phys. 338, 32 (2013)]

$$\omega^{\mu\nu} \Leftrightarrow \varpi^{\mu\nu} = -\frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \beta_\nu - \partial_\nu \beta_\mu)$$

The Algorithm is:

1. Use hydrodynamic frameworks (ideal or viscous).
2. Find  $\beta^\mu = u^\mu / T$  on the freeze-out hypersurface.
3. Calculate the thermal vorticity consider it as spin polarization tensor.
4. Make prediction about spin polarization using the modified Cooper Frye formula [F. Becattini, V. Chandra, L. Del Zanna, E. Grossi, Ann. Phys. 338, 32 (2013), R. Fang, L. Pang, Q. Wang, X. Wang Phys. Rev. C 94, 024904 (2016)].

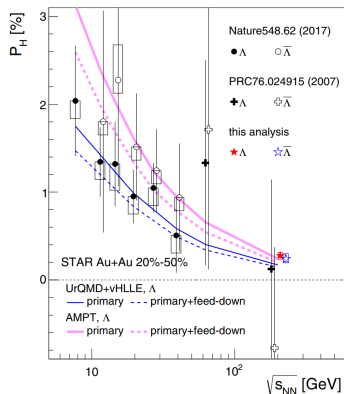
$$\pi^\mu(p) = -\frac{1}{8m} \epsilon^{\mu\rho\sigma\tau} p_\tau \frac{\int d\Sigma_\lambda p^\lambda n_F (1 - n_f) \varpi_{\rho\sigma}}{\int d\Sigma_\lambda p^\lambda n_F}$$

Here,  $n_F = (1 + \exp[\beta \cdot p - \mu Q / T])^{-1}$

# Global $\Lambda$ polarization in RHIC experiment

- Describes the global polarization data

[J. Adam *et al.* (STAR), Phys. Rev. C 98, 014910(2018)]

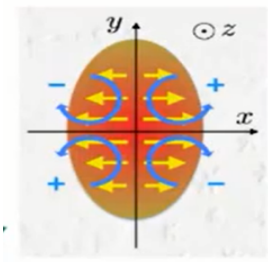


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## Proposal to measure local spin polarization

Anisotropic expansion give rise to local vorticities in different quadrant

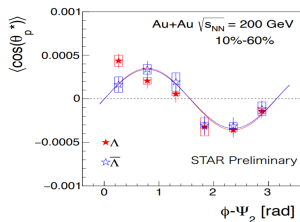


[S.Voloshin, EPJ Web Conf. 171, 07002 (2018)]

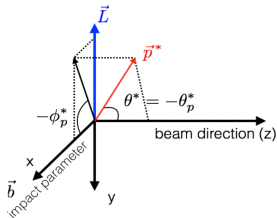
[F. Becattini, I. Karpenko, PRL 120 (2018) no.1, 012302, [1707.07984]]

Spin polarization should have quadrupole structure in terms of transverse momentum.

# Problem with the thermal vorticity model

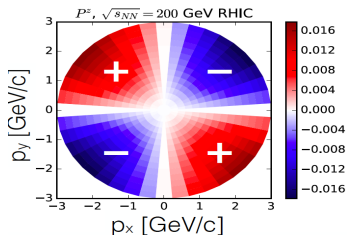


T. Niida. NPA 982 (2019) 511514 [1808.10482]:



$\alpha_H$ : hyperon decay parameter

$\theta_p$ :  $\theta$  of daughter proton in  $\Lambda$  rest frame



F Becattini, I Karpenko. PRL 120 (2018) no.1, 012302, [1707.07984]

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dN}{d\Omega^*} &= \frac{1}{4\pi} (1 + \alpha_H \mathbf{P}_H \cdot \mathbf{P}_p^*) \\ \langle \cos \theta_p^* \rangle &= \int \frac{dN}{d\Omega^*} \cos \theta_p^* d\Omega^* \\ &= \alpha_H P_z \langle (\cos \theta_p^*)^2 \rangle \\ \therefore P_z &= \frac{\langle \cos \theta_p^* \rangle}{\alpha_H \langle (\cos \theta_p^*)^2 \rangle} \\ &= \frac{3 \langle \cos \theta_p^* \rangle}{\alpha_H} \quad (\text{if perfect detector}) \end{aligned}$$

Problem in explaining the Quadrupole structure! (Does not describe the local spin polarization)



## Discovery of thermal shear

Some solution to the problem comes with the idea of new hydrodynamic gradients.

[F. Becattini et al., Phys. Lett. B 820 (2021) 136519, also arXiv:2103.14621 [nucl-th]]

[Shuai Y. F. Liu, Yi Yin, JHEP 07 (2021) 188, arXiv:2103.09200 [hep-ph]]

There are also contribution from a symmetric hydrodynamic gradients defined by thermal shear tensor  $\xi_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu\beta_\nu + \partial_\nu\beta_\mu)$ .

In the local equilibrium, spin polarization is govern by the combination of both the antisymmetric and symmetric hydrodynamic gradients.

In case of Becattini et al, the spin polarization is governed by the combination

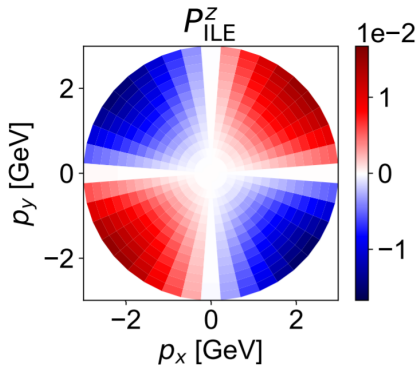
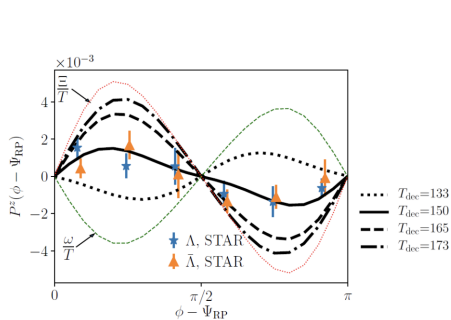
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$$\omega^{\rho\sigma} \equiv \varpi^{\rho\sigma} + 2\hat{t}^\rho \frac{p_\lambda}{E_p} \xi^{\lambda\sigma}, \quad \text{with} \quad \hat{t}^\rho = (1, 0, 0, 0), \quad E_p = \sqrt{m^2 + |\mathbf{p}|^2}$$

In case of S. Y. F. Liu et al [JHEP 07 (2021) 188, arXiv:2103.09200 [hep-ph]]

$$\omega^{\rho\sigma} \equiv \varpi^{\rho\sigma} + 2u^\rho \frac{p_\lambda}{\bar{E}_p} \xi^{\lambda\sigma}, \quad \bar{E}_p = u^\mu p_\mu$$

Hydrodynamic model predictions based on combination by Becattini et al. [F. Becattini, M. Buzzegoli, A. Palermo, G. Inghirami, and I. Karpenko, Phys. Rev. Lett. 127, 272302 (2021), arXiv:2103.14621]

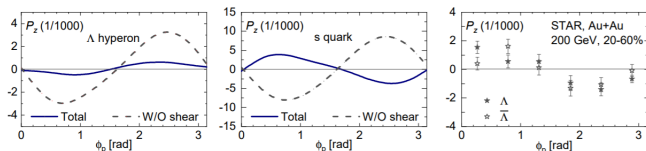


Sign changes, describe the data.

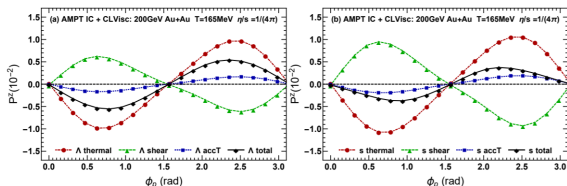
Temperature gradients terms of thermal vorticity and thermal shear not included.

Hydrodynamic model predictions based on Liu et al. Formula by Fu et al. describe the data only if the mass of  $\Lambda$ - hyperon is replaced by strange quark mass.

[B. Fu, S. Y. F. Liu, L. Pang, H. Song, Y. Yin, Phys. Rev. Lett. 127, 142301 (2021)], arXiv: 2103:10403 [hep-ph]



Another study using Hydrodynamic model based on Liu et al scenario does not describe the data [Cong Yi, Shi Pu, Di-Lun Yang, Phys.Rev.C 104 (2021) 6, 064901; arXiv: 2106.00238 [hep-ph]]



The reason might be that longitudinal spin polarization depend on various factors like, EoS, freeze-out temperature, out-off equilibrium corrections.

## In this talk

- I will discuss how a thermal model can be used to obtain various observables related to spin polarization.
- Can the results obtained from thermal model describe the experimental data?

[Wojciech Florkowski, AK, Aleksas Mazeliauskas, Radoslaw Ryblewski, Phys. Rev. C 100, 054907 (2019), arXiv:1904.00002 [nucl-th]];

[Wojciech Florkowski, AK, Aleksas Mazeliauskas, Radoslaw Ryblewski, Phys. Rev. C 105, 064901 (2022); arXiv:2112.02799 [hep-ph]]

## Thermal Model Input

- In its standard formulation, it uses only four parameters: Temperature  $T_f$ , Chemical Potential  $\mu_{Bf}$ , proper time  $\tau_f$ , and system size  $r_{max}$ .
- The two thermodynamic parameters  $T_f$  and  $\mu_{Bf}$  are fitted from the ratios of hadronic abundances.
- The geometric ones,  $\tau_f$  and  $r_{max}$  characterize the freeze-out hypersurface and hydrodynamic flow and can be obtained from the fit of experimentally observed transverse momentum spectra of particles from the Cooper-Frye Formula.

$$\frac{dN}{d^2p_T dy_p} = \int \Delta \Sigma_\lambda p^\lambda f\left(\frac{p \cdot u}{T}, \mu_B\right)$$

- Freeze-out hypersurface is defined through the conditions  $\tau_f = \sqrt{t^2 - x^2 - y^2 - z^2} = \text{constt}$  and  $x^2 + y^2 \leq r_{max}^2$ .
- The hydrodynamic flow is assumed to be Hubble-like form

$$u^\mu = \frac{x^\mu}{\tau_f} = \frac{t}{\tau_f} \left(1, \frac{x}{t}, \frac{y}{t}, \frac{z}{t}\right)$$

[Acta Phys.Polon.B 33 (2002) 4235-4258]

## Extended Thermal Model

- Thermal model need to be extended to include the elliptic flow phenomenon.
- This can be done by including the elliptic deformation of both: the emission region in the transverse plane and the transverse flow.
- Elliptic asymmetry in the transverse plane

$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= r_{\max} \sqrt{1 - \epsilon \cos \phi}, \\
 y &= r_{\max} \sqrt{1 + \epsilon \sin \phi}.
 \end{aligned}$$

- $\phi$  is the azimuthal angle while  $r_{\max}$  and  $\epsilon$  are the model parameters.
- $\epsilon > 0$  indicates that the system formed in HICs is elongated in the  $y$  direction.
- Flow asymmetry is included by parametrizing the flow velocity as follows

$$u^\mu = \frac{1}{N} (t, x\sqrt{1 + \delta}, y\sqrt{1 - \delta}, z).$$

- $\delta$  characterizes anisotropy in the transverse flow.
- $\delta > 0$ , indicates that there is a more flow in the reaction plane (elliptic flow).
- $N = \sqrt{\tau_f^2 - (x^2 - y^2) \delta}$ , normalization constant,  $\tau_f^2 = t^2 - x^2 - y^2 - z^2$  is the proper time characterizing freeze-out hypersurface.

## Model parameters

- Now six parameters,  $T_f$ ,  $\mu_{Bf}$ ,  $\epsilon$ ,  $\delta$ ,  $\tau_f$  and  $r_{max}$ .
- The values of these parameters have been used before to describe the PHENIX data for transverse momentum spectra for three different centrality classes at the beam energy  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 130$  GeV, freeze-out temperature  $T_f = 0.165$  GeV and  $\mu_{Bf} = 0.041$  GeV [[A. Baran, PhD Thesis and J. Phys. G31 S1087-S1090 \(2005\)](#)].

c %	$\epsilon$	$\delta$	$\tau_f$ [fm]	$r_{max}$ [fm]
0 – 15	0.055	0.12	7.666	6.540
15 – 30	0.097	0.26	6.258	5.417
30 – 60	0.137	0.37	4.266	3.779

## Decomposition of thermal vorticity and thermal shear in term of velocity gradient and temperature gradient terms

- Thermal vorticity is defined as

$$\varpi_{\mu\nu} = -\frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu\beta_\nu - \partial_\nu\beta_\mu),$$

- The above equation can be rewritten as a sum of the two terms,

$$\varpi_{\mu\nu} = \underbrace{-\frac{1}{2T}(\partial_\mu u_\nu - \partial_\nu u_\mu)}_{\varpi_{\mu\nu}^I} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2T^2}(u_\nu\partial_\mu T - u_\mu\partial_\nu T)}_{\varpi_{\mu\nu}^{II}}.$$

- Thermal shear tensor is defined as

$$\xi_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu\beta_\nu + \partial_\nu\beta_\mu),$$

$$\xi_{\mu\nu} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2T}(\partial_\mu u_\nu + \partial_\nu u_\mu)}_{\xi_{\mu\nu}^I} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{2T^2}(u_\nu\partial_\mu T + u_\mu\partial_\nu T)}_{\xi_{\mu\nu}^{II}}.$$



## Calculation of velocity and temperature gradient terms

- Velocity gradient terms  $\varpi_{\mu\nu}^I$  and  $\xi_{\mu\nu}^I$  can be directly obtained by the parametrized flow velocity as shown in one of the earlier slides.
- Temperature gradient term  $\varpi_{\mu\nu}^{II}$  and  $\xi_{\mu\nu}^{II}$  can be calculated by

$$\partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu}(x) = 0, \quad T^{\mu\nu} = (e + p)u^\mu u^\nu - pg^{\mu\nu}, \quad g^{00} = +1.$$

- From the above equation we can get the following two equations:

$$Du^\alpha = \frac{1}{T} \nabla^\alpha T,$$

$$DT = -Tc_s^2 \partial_\alpha u^\alpha,$$

where,  $D = u^\alpha \partial_\alpha$  and  $\nabla^\alpha = \Delta^{\alpha\mu} \partial_\mu = \partial^\alpha - u^\alpha D$ , with  $\Delta^{\alpha\mu} = g^{\alpha\mu} - u^\alpha u^\mu$  and used that  $e + p = sT$  and  $s(T) = dp(T)/dT$ . From the above two equations we can get

$$\partial^\alpha T = T \left( Du^\alpha - c_s^2 u^\alpha \partial_\mu u^\mu \right)$$

- Using the above expression the different components of temperature gradient terms  $\varpi_{\mu\nu}^{II}$  and  $\xi_{\mu\nu}^{II}$  can be obtained in terms of model parameters.

## Calculating of Spin Polarization of particles in a thermal model

- The mean spin polarization of particles is determined by calculating the average Pauli-Lubański (PL) vector  $\langle \pi_\mu^*(p) \rangle$  in the local rest frame of the particles.
- The average PL vector  $\langle \pi_\mu(p) \rangle$  of particles having momentum  $p$  emitted from a given freeze-out hypersurface is given by the following formula

$$\langle \pi_\mu(p) \rangle = \frac{E_p \frac{d\Pi_\mu(p)}{d^3p}}{E_p \frac{d\mathcal{N}(p)}{d^3p}}$$

$$E_p \frac{d\Pi_\mu(p)}{d^3p} = -\frac{\cosh(\xi)}{(2\pi)^3 m} \int e^{-\beta \cdot p} \Delta\Sigma_\lambda p^\lambda \tilde{\omega}_{\mu\beta} p^\beta.$$

$$E_p \frac{d\mathcal{N}(p)}{d^3p} = \frac{4 \cosh(\xi)}{(2\pi)^3} \int e^{-\beta \cdot p} \Delta\Sigma_\lambda p^\lambda.$$

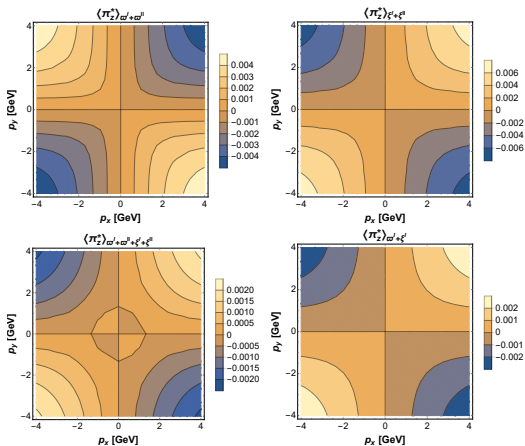
- We take formula by F. Becattini et al.

[F. Becattini, M. Buzzegoli, and A. Palermo, Phys. Lett. B 820 (2021) 136519, arXiv:2103.10917 [nucl-th] ]

[F. Becattini, M. Buzzegoli, A. Palermo, G. Inghirami, and I. Karpenko, Phys. Rev. Lett. 127, 272302 (2021), arXiv:2103.14621[nucl-th]]

$$\tilde{\omega}_{\mu\beta} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{\mu\beta\rho\sigma} \left( \varpi^{\rho\sigma} + 2\hat{t}^\rho \frac{p_\lambda}{E_p} \xi^{\lambda\sigma} \right)$$

# Transverse momentum dependence of longitudinal component of the mean spin polarization three-vector of $\Lambda$ -hyperon



**Figure:** The longitudinal component of the mean spin polarization three-vector of  $\Lambda$  hyperon as a function of its transverse momentum for the centrality class  $c=0-15\%$  with contribution from different terms of thermal vorticity and thermal shear tensor.

# Transverse momentum dependence of longitudinal component of the mean spin polarization three-vector of $\Lambda$ -hyperon

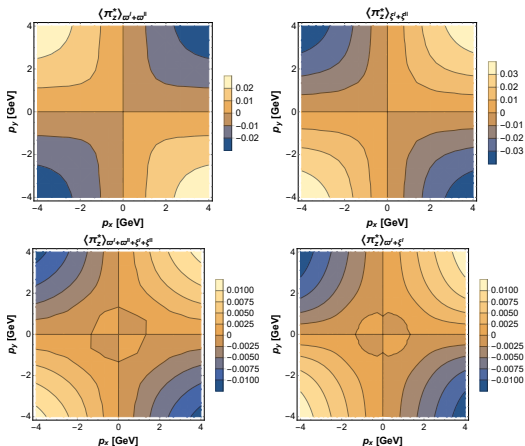


Figure: same as above but for the centrality class  $c=30-60\%$ .

## Experimental observables

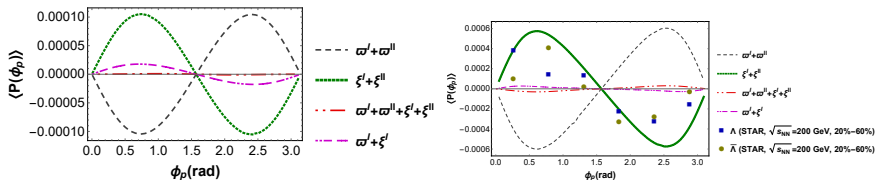
- In experiment one observes the azimuthal angle dependence of the transverse momentum integrated longitudinal polarization.
- Momentum integrated polarization

$$\langle P_\mu \rangle = \frac{\int d^3p \langle \pi_\mu(p) \rangle E_p \frac{dN(p)}{d^3p}}{\int d^3p E_p \frac{dN(p)}{d^3p}} = \frac{\int d^3p E_p \frac{d\pi_\mu(p)}{d^3p}}{\int d^3p E_p \frac{dN(p)}{d^3p}}$$

- Azimuthal angle dependence of Longitudinal component of spin polarization can be obtained by carrying out integration over the transverse momentum

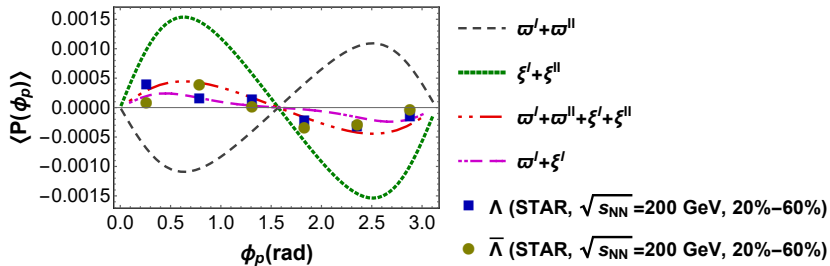
$$\langle P(\phi_p) \rangle \equiv \frac{\int p_T dp_T E_p \frac{d\pi^z(p)}{d^3p}}{\int d\phi_p p_T dp_T E_p \frac{dN(p)}{d^3p}}.$$

# Azimuthal angle dependence of Longitudinal component of spin polarization



**Figure:** Azimuthal angle dependence of  $p_T$ -integrated (range  $p_T=0-3$  GeV) longitudinal spin polarization for the centrality class  $c=0-15\%$  and  $c=30-60\%$ . For comparison we show the dependence of longitudinal spin polarization of  $\Lambda$  and  $\bar{\Lambda}$  on azimuthal angle relative to second order event plane for the centrality class  $c=20-60\%$  plotted using the STAR data at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV [Phys.Rev.Lett. 123 (2019) no. 13, 132301, arXiv:1905.11917 [nucl-ex]].

# Azimuthal angle dependence of Longitudinal component of spin polarization



**Figure:** Azimuthal angle dependence of  $p_T$ -integrated (range  $p_T=0-3$  GeV) longitudinal spin polarization for the centrality class  $c=30-60\%$  when mass of lambda hyperon is replaced by strange quark.

## Experimental observables

- $\langle \pi^z \rangle$  can be decomposed into the Fourier series, where only sine terms of even multiples of the azimuthal angle  $\phi_p$  of the transverse momentum vector are non-vanishing [I. Karpenko, F. Becattini, Nucl. Phys. A 00 (2018) 1-4, arXiv:1811.00322 [nucl-th] ]  
[I. Karpenko, arXiv:2101.04963v1 [nucl-th]]

$$\langle \pi^z \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P_{2n}(p_T) \sin(2n\phi_p)$$

- Azimuthal harmonic (Polarization anisotropy)

$$\langle P_2 \rangle = \frac{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int p_T dp_T d\phi_p \sin(2\phi_p) \langle \pi^z(p) \rangle E_p \frac{d\mathcal{N}(p)}{d^3p}}{\int p_T dp_T d\phi_p E_p \frac{d\mathcal{N}(p)}{d^3p}} = \frac{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int d\phi_p p_T dp_T \sin(2\phi_p) E_p \frac{d\pi^z(p)}{d^3p}}{\int d\phi_p p_T dp_T E_p \frac{d\mathcal{N}(p)}{d^3p}}$$

- We have also looked at the polarization anisotropy treated as a function of  $p_T$ . In this case, we perform azimuthal integrals in both the numerator and denominator, keeping the transverse momentum fixed, namely

$$\langle P(p_T) \rangle = \frac{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int d\phi_p \sin(2\phi_p) E_p \frac{d\pi_z(p)}{d^3p}}{\int d\phi_p E_p \frac{d\mathcal{N}(p)}{d^3p}}$$

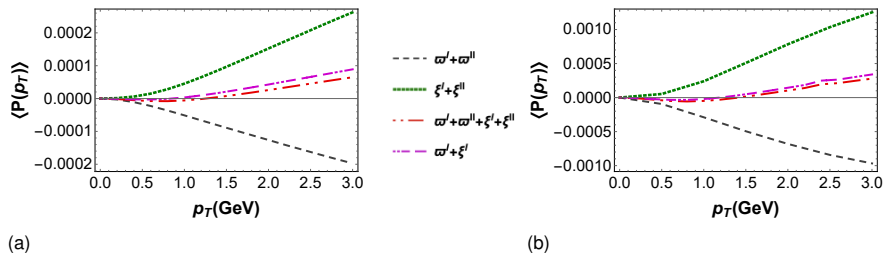


## Azimuthal Harmonic

c %	$\langle P_2 \rangle_{\varpi' + \varpi''}$	$\langle P_2 \rangle_{\xi' + \xi''}$	$\langle P_2 \rangle_{\varpi' + \xi'}$	$\langle P_2 \rangle_{\varpi' + \varpi'' + \xi' + \xi''}$
0 – 15	-0.000052	0.000052	$8.8 \times 10^{-6}$	$-2.7 \times 10^{-7}$
15 – 30	-0.000138	0.000136	$7.2 \times 10^{-6}$	$-3.5 \times 10^{-6}$
30 – 60	-0.000290	0.000277	$9.8 \times 10^{-6}$	-0.0000172

**Table:** n=2 harmonics of longitudinal spin polarization due to various terms using the model parameters valid for different classes of collision centralities at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 130$  GeV. Temperature gradient contribution has been obtained using ideal equation of state ( $c_s^2 = 1/3$ ). Integration of transverse momentum is carried out in the range  $p_T=0-3$  GeV.

# Transverse momentum dependence of polarization anisotropy



**Figure:** Transverse-momentum dependence of  $n = 2$  harmonic of longitudinal spin polarization. for the centrality class  $c=0-15\%$  and  $c=30-60\%$  with temperature gradient terms evaluated by taking  $c_s^2 = 1/3$ .

## Summary

- We have obtained results for the transverse momentum dependence of the longitudinal component of spin polarization of  $\Lambda$ -hyperons that includes the contribution from both the thermal vorticity and thermal shear tensor using a simple thermal model
- Our results suggests that the sign of quadrupole structure of longitudinal polarization can be changed by including the thermal shear effects.
- Analysis of azimuthal angle dependence of the longitudinal component of spin polarization vector suggest that contributions of thermal vorticity and thermal shear are of opposite sign and nearly identically cancel each other leading to the disagreement with the data if mass of particle is taken to be  $\Lambda$ -hyperon mass.
- If we replace the  $\Lambda$ -hyperon mass to strange quark mass we can describe the Experimental data for azimuthal angle dependence of longitudinal component of spin polarization vector.
- We have also presented the results for the polarization anisotropy ( $n=2$  harmonic of longitudinal spin polarization) and its transverse momentum dependence.

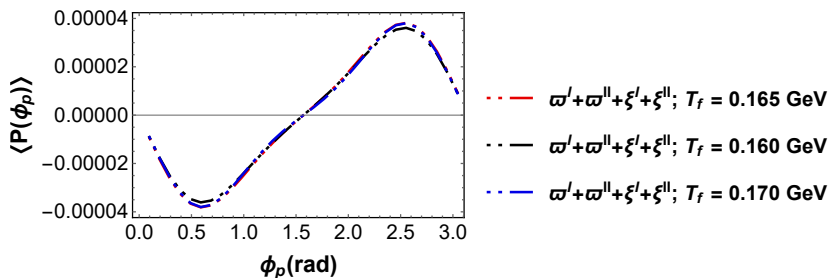
### Outlook:

- In future investigations, it would be interesting to analyze the role played by equation of state and finite baryon chemical potential.
- It will also interesting to see if there is any involvement of out of equilibrium physics.

→ Talk at ICPAQGP2023

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

## Sensitivity to freeze-out temperature



**Figure:** Azimuthal angle dependence of  $p_T$ -integrated (range  $p_T=0.5\text{--}6$  GeV) longitudinal spin polarization for the centrality class  $c=30\text{--}60\%$  when mass of lambda hyperon is replaced by strange quark.

## Thermal Model Input

- The two thermodynamic parameters  $T_f$  and  $\mu_{Bf}$  are fitted from the ratios of hadronic abundances.
- For boost-invariant systems the ratios of hadron multiplicities at midrapidity,  $dN/dy_p|_{y_p=0}$ , are related to the ratios of densities,  $n_i$ , since

$$\left. \frac{dN_i/dy_p}{dN_j/dy_p} \right|_{y_p=0} = \frac{n_i}{n_j} = \frac{g_i \int d^3p f_i(p)}{g_j \int d^3p f_j(p)}$$

- $f_i(p) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \left( \exp \left( \frac{E_i(p) - \mu_B B_i}{T} \right) \pm 1 \right)^{-1}$  is the distribution function, with energy,  $E_i(p) = \sqrt{p^2 + m_i^2}$  and  $\mu_B$  baryon chemical potential.

Fitted thermodynamic parameters	$T_f = 165 \pm 7 \text{ MeV}, \mu_{Bf} = 41 \pm 5 \text{ MeV}$
Ratios used for the fit	$\pi^-/\pi^+ = 1.00 \pm 0.02$

Table: Fitted parameters used to describe the PHENIX data ( $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 130 \text{ GeV}$ ) [Acta Phys.Polon.B 33 (2002) 4235-4258].

## Thermal Model Input

- The geometric ones,  $\tau_f$  and  $r_{max}$  characterize the freeze-out hypersurface and hydrodynamic flow and can be obtained from the fit of experimentally observed transverse momentum spectra of particles from the Cooper-Frye Formula

$$\frac{dN}{d^2p_T dy_p} = \int \Delta \Sigma_\lambda p^\lambda f\left(\frac{p \cdot u}{T}, \mu_B\right)$$

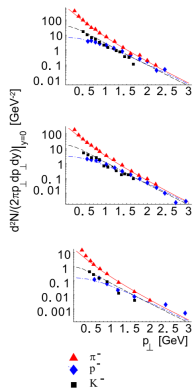
- Freeze-out hypersurface is defined through the conditions  $\tau_f = \sqrt{t^2 - x^2 - y^2 - z^2} = const$  and  $x^2 + y^2 \leq r_{max}^2$ .
- The hydrodynamic flow is assumed to be Hubble-like form

$$u^\mu = \frac{x^\mu}{\tau_f} = \frac{t}{\tau_f} \left(1, \frac{x}{t}, \frac{y}{t}, \frac{z}{t}\right)$$

- In this case the integration over freeze-out hypersurface can be done and transverse momentum spectra will depend on  $\tau_f$  and  $r_{max}$  for the given values of freeze-out temperature  $T_f$  and  $\mu_{Bf}$ . Therefore, we can fit the experimental data by choosing these parameters.

## Thermal Model

Values of parameters  $\tau_f$  and  $r_{max}$  are listed by fitting transverse momentum spectra of the particles for different class of centralities [Acta Phys.Polon.B 33 (2002) 4235-4258]



**Figure:** Model vs. experiment for the PHENIX data [PRL 88, 242301 (2002)] at three different centrality bins  $c = 0 - 5\%$ ,  $c = 15 - 30\%$ ,  $c = 60 - 92\%$  (top to bottom) for pions, kaons, protons at  $T_f = 165\text{MeV}$ ,  $\mu_{Bf} = 41\text{MeV}$ .

$c \%$	$\tau_f$ [fm]	$r_{max}$ [fm]
0 – 15	8.2	6.9
15 – 30	6.3	5.3
60 – 92	2.3	2.0

**Table:** Thermal model parameters used to describe the PHENIX data ( $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 130\text{ GeV}$ ) [PRL 88, 242301 (2002)]



## Need to Extend Thermal Model

In the realistic scenario we encounter the following situation in heavy ion collisions

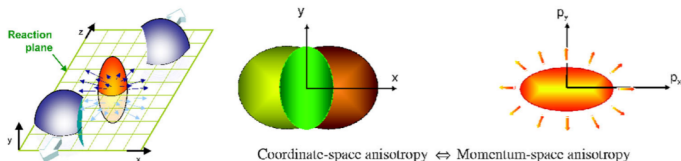


Figure: Initial coordinates space anisotropy get transformed to the anisotropy in particle momenta distributions (flow) [Fig. taken from Ref. *Pramana – J. Phys.* (2021) 95:15]

One can perform the Fourier decomposition of the momentum space particle distributions in the  $xy$ -plane as follow,

$$\frac{dN}{d^2p_T dy_p} = \frac{dN}{2\pi p_T dp_T dy_p} \left[ 1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} v_n \cos(n\phi_p) \right]$$

where,  $v_n = \langle \cos(n\phi_p) \rangle$ . At  $y_p = 0$  the most dominant contribution comes from  $v_2$ . It is known as elliptic flow coefficient. To incorporate the phenomenon of elliptic flow thermal model need to be extended.

## Calculating of Spin Polarization of particles in a thermal model

- Assuming that freeze-out takes place at a constant values of proper time,

$$\Delta\Sigma_\lambda = n_\lambda dx dy d\eta,$$

$$n^\lambda = \left( \sqrt{\tau_f^2 + x^2 + y^2} \cosh \eta, x, y, \sqrt{\tau_f^2 + x^2 + y^2} \sinh \eta \right)$$

- $\eta = \frac{1}{2} \ln [(t+z)/(t-z)]$   $n^\lambda n_\lambda = \tau_f^2$ .
- Parametrization of the particle four-momentum  $p^\lambda$  in terms of the transverse momentum  $p_T = \sqrt{p_x^2 + p_y^2}$  and rapidity  $y_p$ ,

$$p^\lambda = (E_p, p_x, p_y, p_z) = (m_T \cosh y_p, p_x, p_y, m_T \sinh y_p),$$

- $m_T = \sqrt{m^2 + p_T^2}$  is the transverse mass and  $m$  is the particle mass.
- As the experimental measurements are done in the central rapidity region, we consider the case of  $y_p = 0$  only. Furthermore, since we focus on the longitudinal spin polarization, we do not have to boost the four-vector  $\langle \pi_\mu(p) \rangle$  to the particle rest frame, because  $\langle \pi_z(p) \rangle$  is invariant under transverse boosts.