

Spin polarization and spin alignment from hydrodynamic studies



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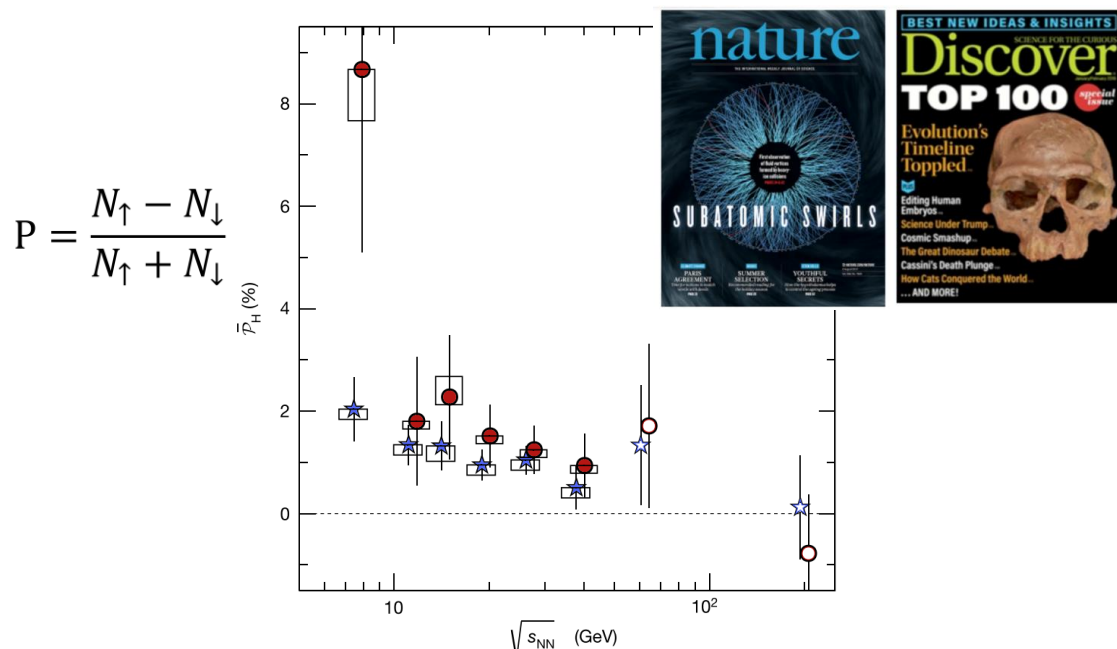
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- **Introduction**
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- **Summary**

Global Polarization

Global Spin Polarization of Λ Hyperons

Experiments

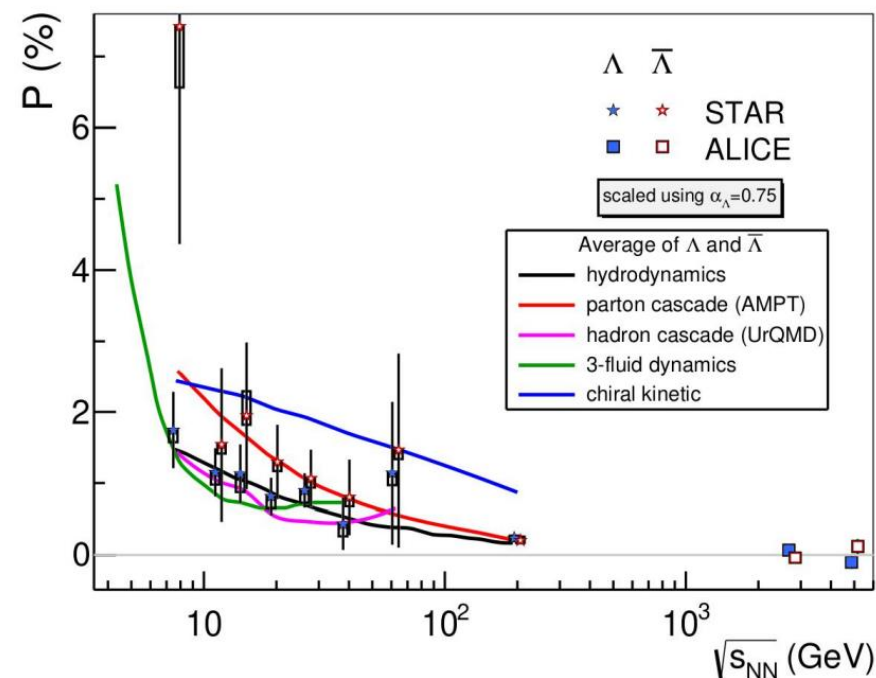


$$\omega = k_B T (\bar{P}_{\Lambda'} + \bar{P}_{\bar{\Lambda}'}) / \hbar \sim 10^{22} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

Most vortical fluid so far !

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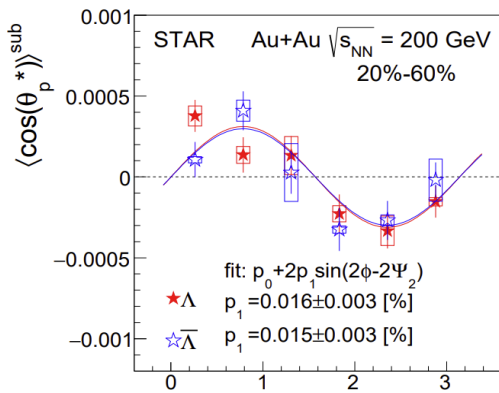
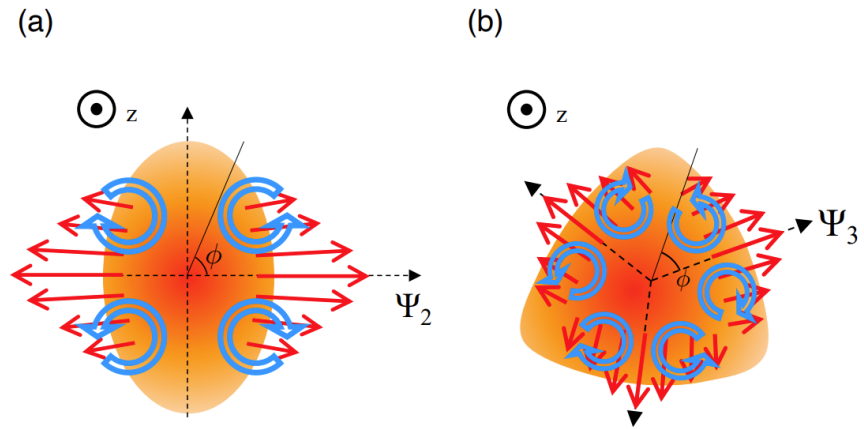
Theory



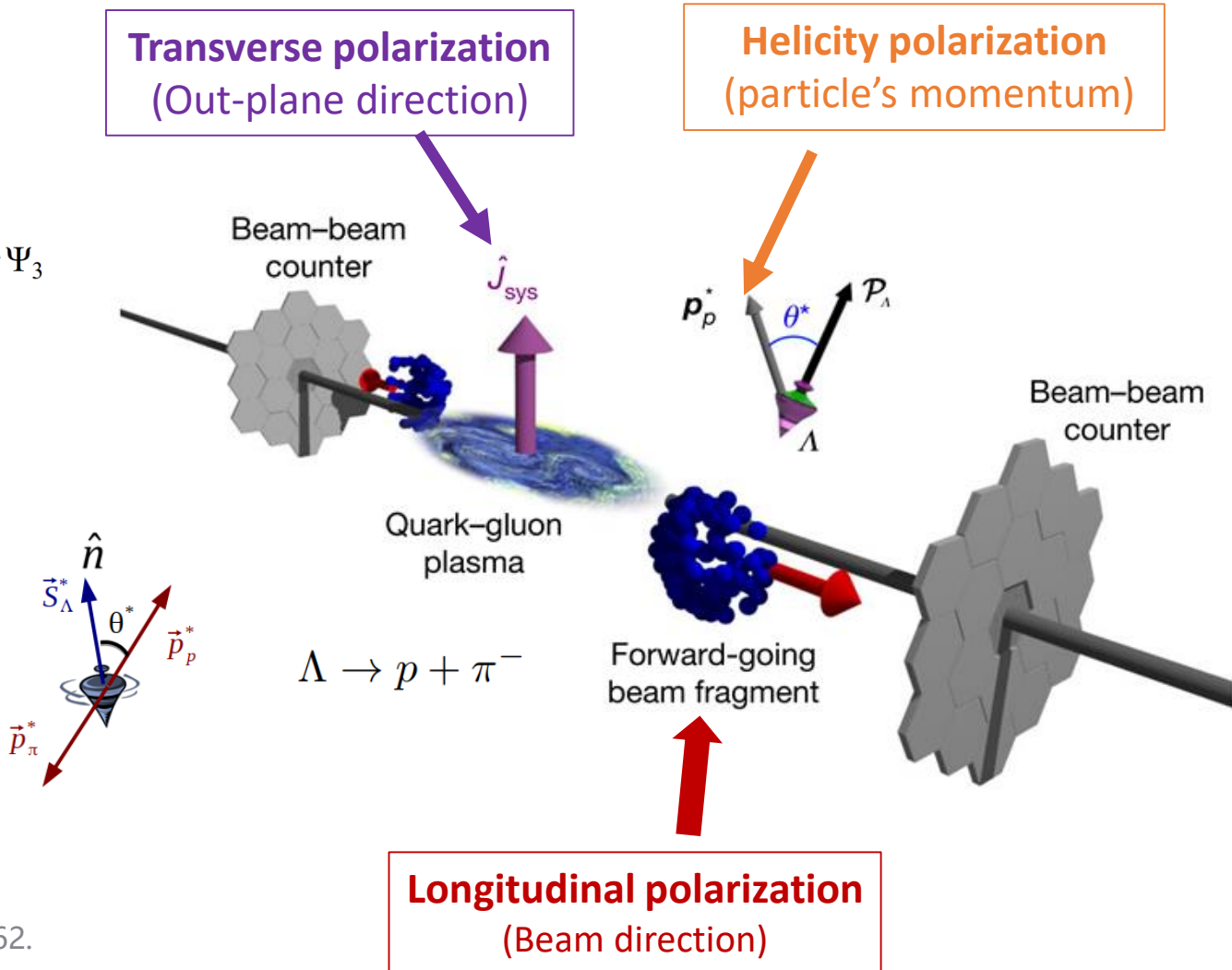
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Local Polarization

Local Vortical Structure



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Hydrodynamic Effects

Recalling the original spin polarization distribution in phase space

$$S^\mu(\mathbf{p}) = \frac{\int d\Sigma \cdot p \mathcal{J}_5^\mu(p, X)}{2m_\Lambda \int d\Sigma \cdot \mathcal{N}(p, X)}, \quad \text{---} \rightarrow \text{Axial current}$$

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 R.-H. Fang, L.-G. Pang, Q. Wang, and X.-N. Wang, *Phys. Rev. C* 94, 024904 (2016)

The axial currents at the local equilibrium can be decomposed as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{J}_{\text{thermal}}^\mu &= a \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} p_\nu \partial_\alpha \frac{u_\beta}{T}, \\ \mathcal{J}_{\text{shear}}^\mu &= -a \frac{1}{(u \cdot p) T} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} p_\alpha u_\beta p^\sigma \partial_{\langle\sigma} u_{\nu\rangle}, \\ \mathcal{J}_{\text{accT}}^\mu &= -a \frac{1}{2T} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} p_\nu u_\alpha (D u_\beta - \frac{1}{T} \partial_\beta T), \\ \mathcal{J}_{\text{chemical}}^\mu &= a \frac{1}{(u \cdot p)} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} p_\alpha u_\beta \partial_\nu \frac{\mu}{T}, \\ \mathcal{J}_{\text{EB}}^\mu &= a \frac{1}{(u \cdot p)} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} p_\alpha u_\beta E_\nu, \end{aligned}$$

Thermal vorticity

Shear viscous tensor
Shear Induced Polarization (SIP)

Fluid acceleration

Gradient of chemical potential
Spin Hall Effect (SHE)

Electromagnetic fields

New effects!

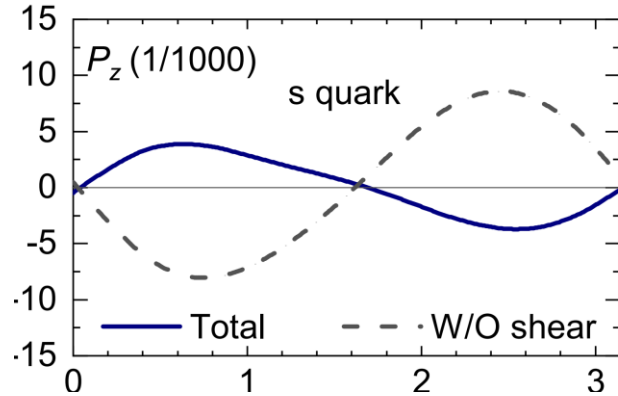
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Hydrodynamic Effect

- Hydrodynamic contributions to the local spin polarization



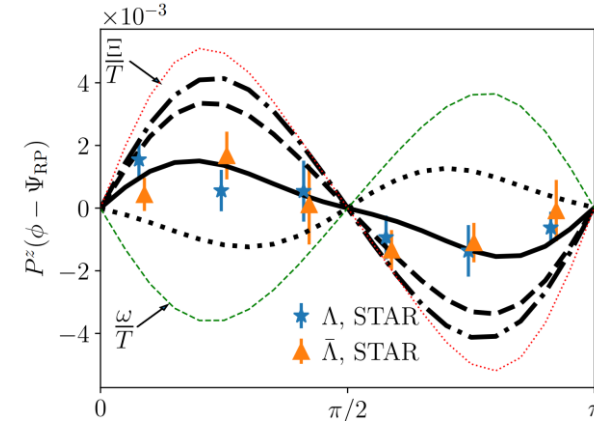
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$$\mathcal{S}_{\text{shear}}^\mu(\mathbf{p}) = \int d\Sigma^\sigma F_\sigma \frac{\epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} p_\nu u_\beta}{(u \cdot p) \Gamma} \times p^\rho (\partial_\rho u_\alpha + \partial_\alpha u_\rho - u_\rho D u_\alpha)$$

s-quark memory

$$m_\Lambda \rightarrow m_s \quad m_s \simeq 0.3\text{GeV} \quad m_\Lambda \simeq 1.116\text{GeV}$$

$$(u \cdot p) \sim m$$



F. Becattini et al, Phys. Rev. Lett. 127, 272302

$$\beta_\mu = \frac{u_\mu}{T} \quad \varpi_{\mu\nu} = -\frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \beta_\nu - \partial_\nu \beta_\mu).$$

Iso-thermal equilibrium

$$\omega_{\rho\sigma} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\sigma u_\rho - \partial_\rho u_\sigma)$$

Considering shear induced polarization under some assumptions, the theoretical calculations agree with the experimental data qualitatively/quantitatively.

Setup of Simulation

- **(3+1) dimensional viscous hydrodynamic framework CLVisc**

Solve the Energy-momentum conservation and net baryon current:

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla_{\mu} T^{\mu\nu} &= 0 & T^{\mu\nu} &= eU^{\mu}U^{\nu} - P\Delta^{\mu\nu} + \pi^{\mu\nu} \\ \nabla_{\mu} J^{\mu} &= 0 & J^{\mu} &= nU^{\mu} + V^{\mu}\end{aligned}$$

Equation of motion of dissipative current:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta_{\alpha\beta}^{\mu\nu} D\pi^{\alpha\beta} &= -\frac{1}{\tau_{\pi}} (\pi^{\mu\nu} - \eta\sigma^{\mu\nu}) - \frac{4}{3}\pi^{\mu\nu}\theta - \frac{5}{7}\pi^{\alpha\langle}\sigma_{\alpha}^{\mu\nu}\rangle + \frac{9}{70}\frac{4}{e+P}\pi_{\alpha}^{\langle\mu}\pi^{\nu\rangle\alpha} \\ \Delta^{\mu\nu} DV_{\mu} &= -\frac{1}{\tau_V} \left(V^{\mu} - \kappa_B \nabla^{\mu} \frac{\mu}{T} \right) - V^{\mu}\theta - \frac{3}{10}V_{\nu}\sigma^{\mu\nu}\end{aligned}$$

- **Setup**

Initial condition: AMPT, SMASH

Freeze out condition : $e < 0.4 \text{ GeV/fm}^3$

Equation of State: NEOS BQS, sp95-pce

L. Pang, Q. Wang, and X.-N. Wang, Phys. Rev. C 86, 024911

X.-Y. Wu, G.-Y. Qin, L.-G. Pang, and X.-N. Wang, Phys. Rev. C 105, 034909

Simulation

• Spin Polarization Vector

$$\mathcal{S}_{\text{thermal}}^\mu(\mathbf{p}) = \int d\Sigma^\sigma F_\sigma \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} p_\nu \partial_\alpha \frac{u_\beta}{T},$$

$$\mathcal{S}_{\text{shear}}^\mu(\mathbf{p}) = \int d\Sigma^\sigma F_\sigma \frac{\epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} p_\nu u_\beta}{(u \cdot p) T} \\ \times p^\rho (\partial_\rho u_\alpha + \partial_\alpha u_\rho - u_\rho D u_\alpha)$$

$$\mathcal{S}_{\text{accT}}^\mu(\mathbf{p}) = - \int d\Sigma^\sigma F_\sigma \frac{\epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} p_\nu u_\alpha}{T} \left(D u_\beta - \frac{\partial_\beta T}{T} \right),$$

$$\mathcal{S}_{\text{chemical}}^\mu(\mathbf{p}) = 2 \int d\Sigma^\sigma F_\sigma \frac{1}{(u \cdot p)} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} p_\alpha u_\beta \partial_\nu \frac{\mu}{T},$$

$$F^\mu = \frac{\hbar}{8m_\Lambda \Phi(\mathbf{p})} p^\mu f_{eq}(1 - f_{eq}),$$

$$\Phi(\mathbf{p}) = \int d\Sigma^\mu p_\mu f_{eq}.$$

• Global Polarization

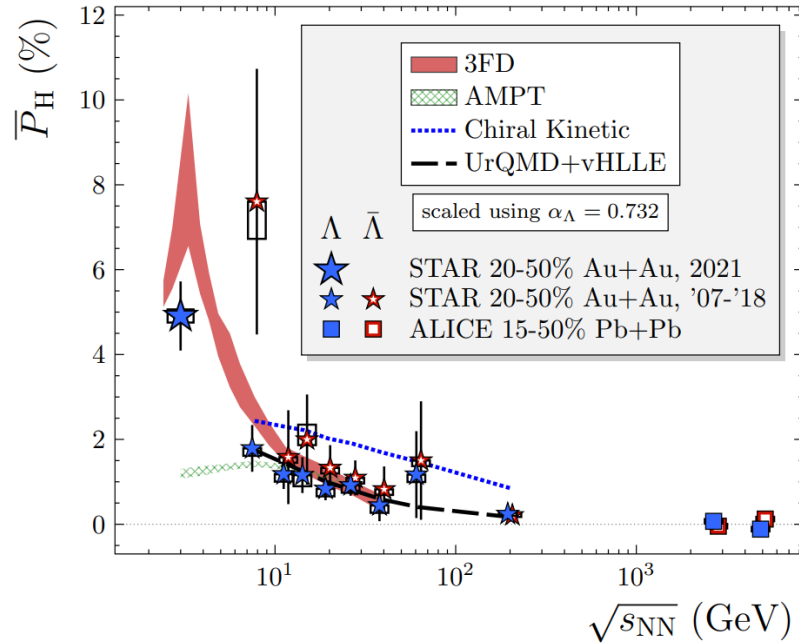
$$\langle \vec{P} \rangle = \frac{\int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \int_{y_{\min}}^{y_{\max}} dy \int_{p_{T\min}}^{p_{T\max}} p_T dp_T [\Phi(\mathbf{p}) \vec{P}^*(\mathbf{p})]}{\int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \int_{y_{\min}}^{y_{\max}} dy \int_{p_{T\min}}^{p_{T\max}} p_T dp_T \Phi(\mathbf{p})}$$

• Local Polarization

$$\langle \vec{P}(\phi_p) \rangle = \frac{\int_{y_{\min}}^{y_{\max}} dy \int_{p_{T\min}}^{p_{T\max}} p_T dp_T [\Phi(\mathbf{p}) \vec{P}^*(\mathbf{p})]}{\int_{y_{\min}}^{y_{\max}} dy \int_{p_{T\min}}^{p_{T\max}} p_T dp_T \Phi(\mathbf{p})}$$

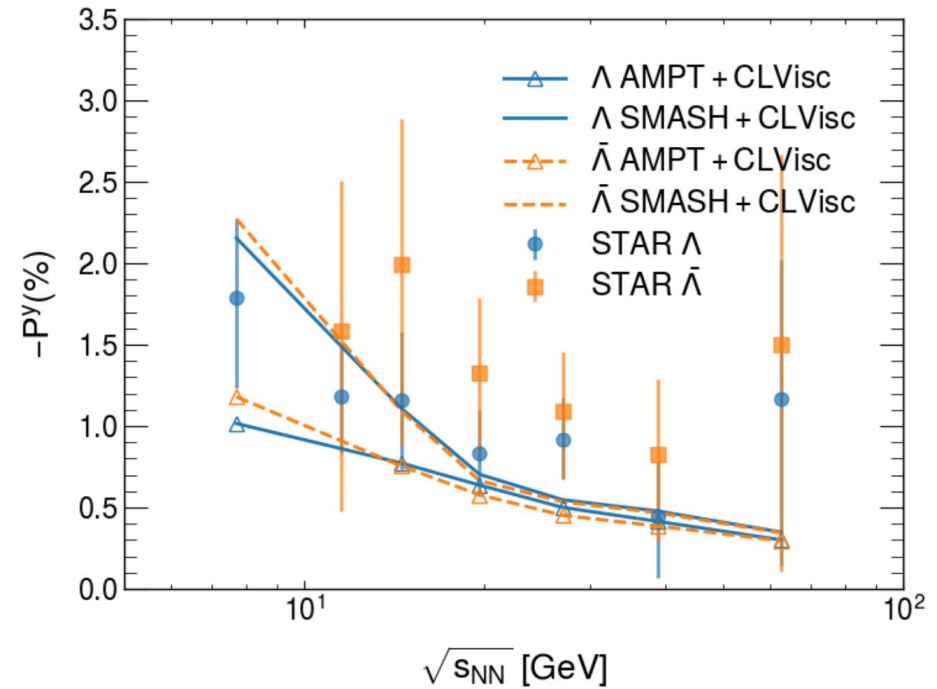
Global Polarization

Thermal vorticity only



STAR, M. S. Abdallah et al., Phys. Rev. C 104, L061901.

$$\mathcal{J}_5^\mu = \mathcal{J}_{\text{thermal}}^\mu + \mathcal{J}_{\text{shear}}^\mu + \mathcal{J}_{\text{accT}}^\mu + \mathcal{J}_{\text{chemical}}^\mu$$



X.-Y. Wu, CY, G.-Y. Qin, and S. Pu, Phys. Rev. C 105 6, 064909

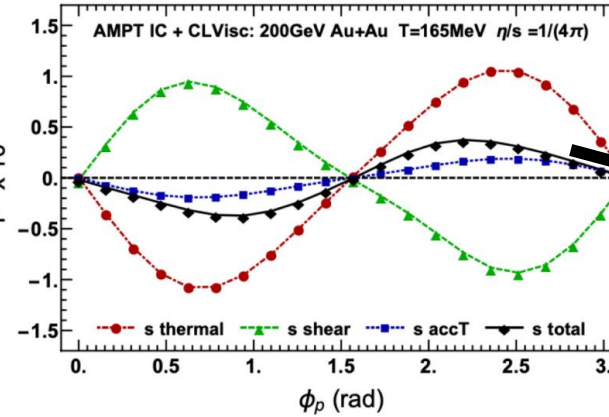
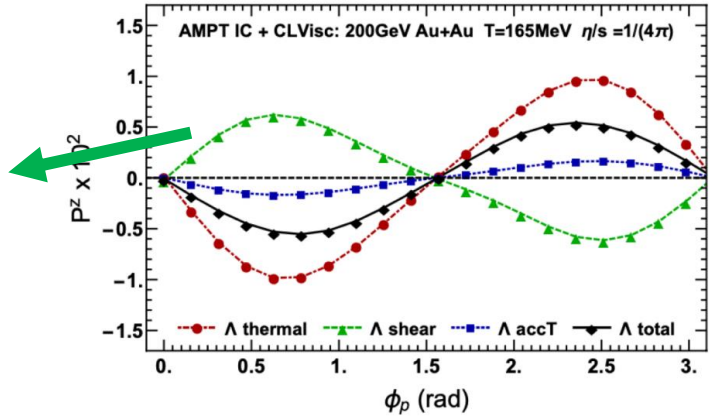
➤ The influence of these new effects on the global polarization is small. The theoretical calculations are consistent with the experimental results in both two cases.

Local Polarization

- RHIC Top Energy

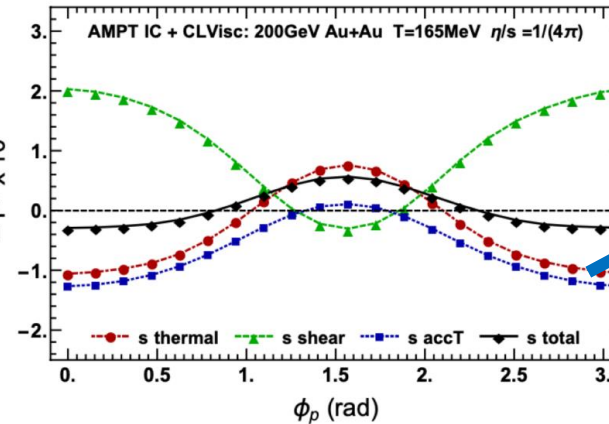
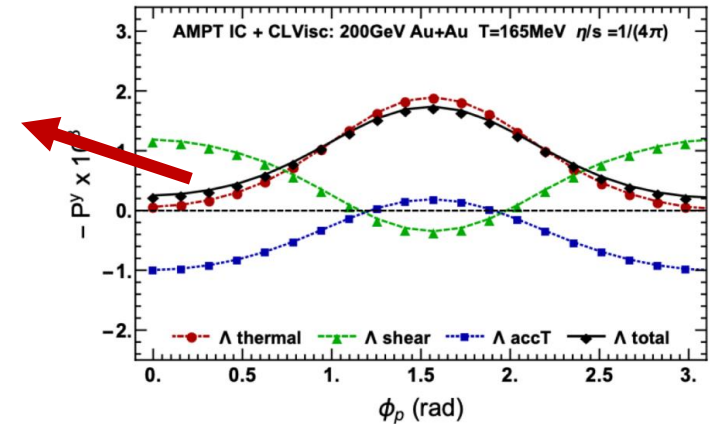
$$\mathcal{J}_5^\mu = \boxed{\mathcal{J}_{\text{thermal}}^\mu + \mathcal{J}_{\text{shear}}^\mu + \mathcal{J}_{\text{accT}}^\mu} + \mathcal{J}_{\text{chemical}}^\mu$$

Shear Induced Polarization



Total Polarization

Thermal Vorticity



Fluid Acceleration

CY, S. Pu, and D.-L. Yang, Phys. Rev. C 104, 064901.

- Shear induced polarization always gives a “correct” sign
- The local spin polarization has not been fully understood.

Local Polarization

- RHIC Beam Energy Scan

$$\mathcal{J}_5^\mu = \mathcal{J}_{\text{thermal}}^\mu + \mathcal{J}_{\text{shear}}^\mu + \mathcal{J}_{\text{accT}}^\mu + \mathcal{J}_{\text{chemical}}^\mu$$

Chemical Gradient

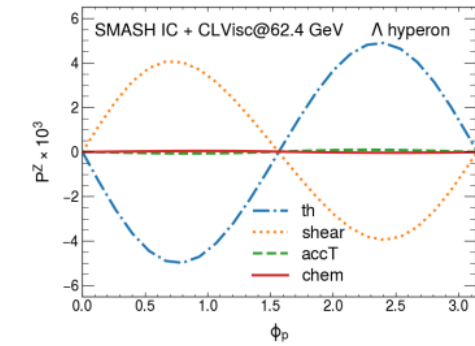
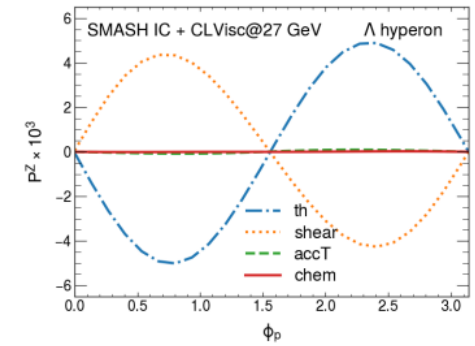
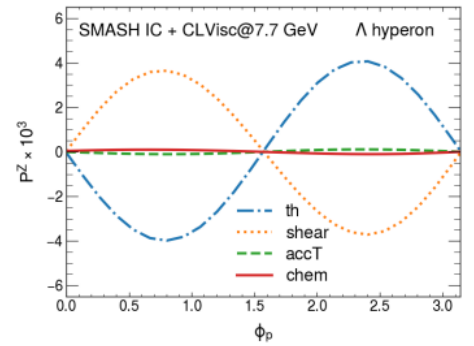
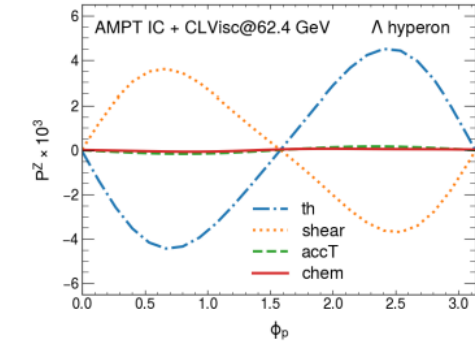
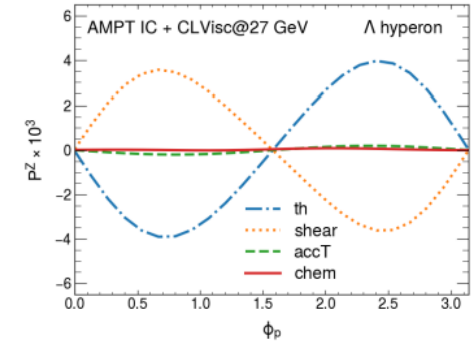
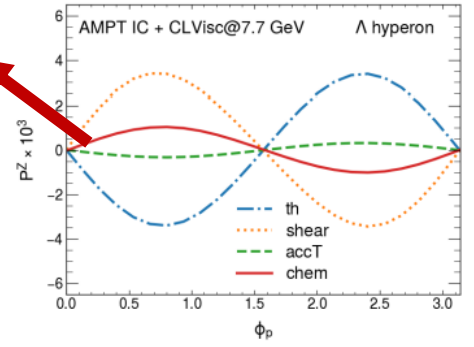
AMPT

SMASH

7.7 GeV

27 GeV

62.4 GeV

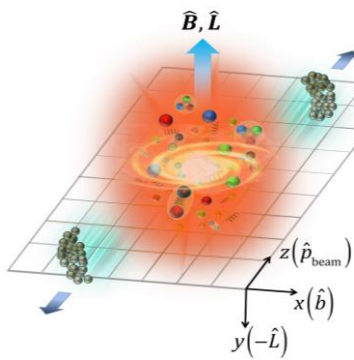
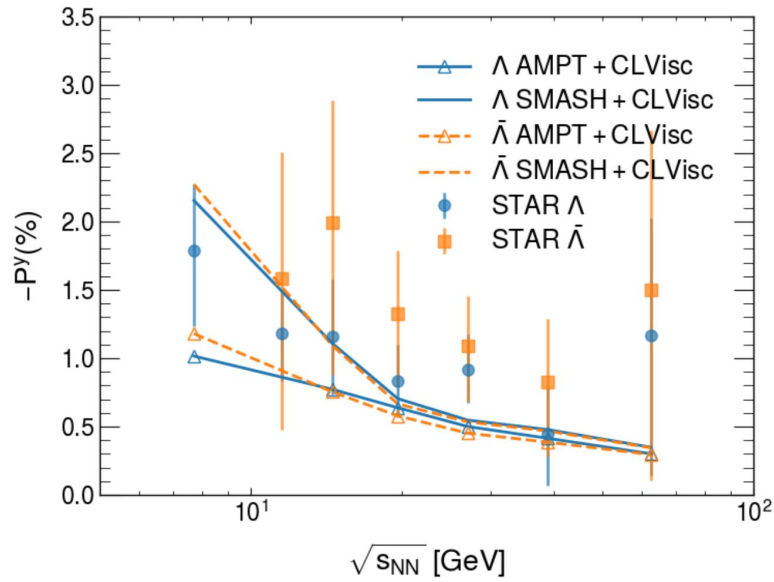


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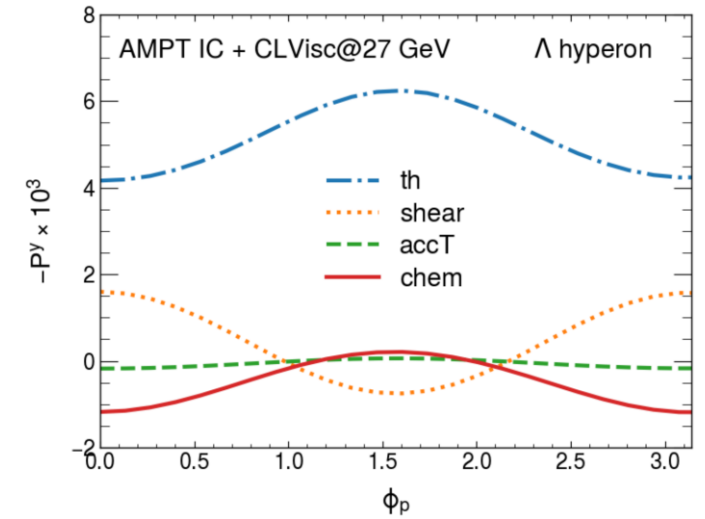
➤ The local longitudinal polarization contributed by chemical gradient depends on initial conditions strongly

Vortical Structure

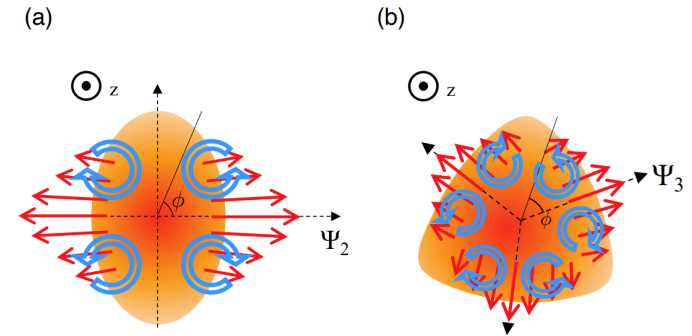
Global Vorticity



Local Vorticity

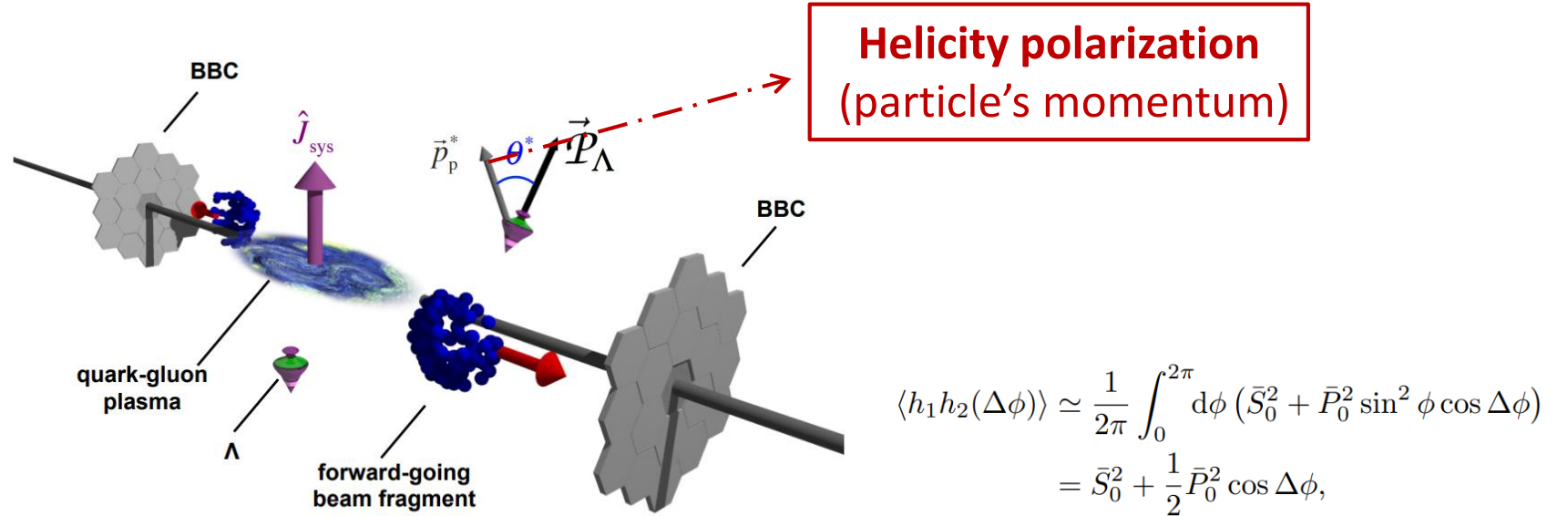


Helicity Polarization?



Local Helicity polarization

Helicity polarization is the projection of the spin polarization vector in the direction of momentum.



The original idea for helicity polarization is proposed to probe the initial chiral chemical potential.

$$S^h = \hat{\mathbf{p}} \cdot \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{p}) = \hat{p}^x S^x + \hat{p}^y S^y + \hat{p}^z S^z \qquad S^h = S_{\text{hydro}}^h + S_{\chi}^h$$

F. Becattini, M. Buzzegoli, A. Palermo, and G. Prokhorov, Phys. Lett. B 826, 136909
 J.-H. Gao, Phys. Rev. D 104, 076016

Hydrodynamic helicity polarization

Helicity polarization induced by thermal vorticity, shear viscous tensor, fluid acceleration and spin hall effect

CY, X.Y. Wu, D.-L. Yang, J.H. Gao, S. Pu, G.Y. Qin, 2304.08777.

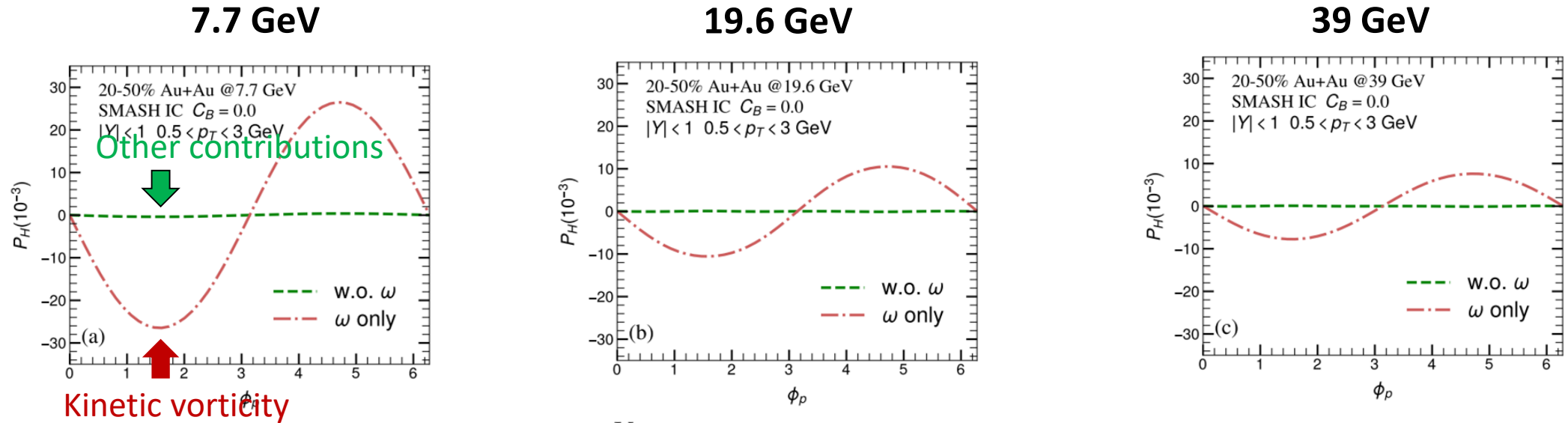
$$\begin{aligned}
 S_{\text{thermal}}^h(\mathbf{p}) &= \int d\Sigma^\sigma F_\sigma p_0 \epsilon^{0ijk} \hat{p}_i \partial_j \left(\frac{u_k}{T} \right), \\
 S_{\text{shear}}^h(\mathbf{p}) &= - \int d\Sigma^\sigma F_\sigma \frac{\epsilon^{0ijk} \hat{p}^i p_0}{(u \cdot p) T} (p^\sigma \pi_{\sigma j} u_k), \\
 S_{\text{accT}}^h(\mathbf{p}) &= \int d\Sigma^\sigma F_\sigma \frac{\epsilon^{0ijk} \hat{p}^i p_0 u_j}{T} \left[(u \cdot \partial) u_k + \frac{\partial_k T}{T} \right], \\
 S_{\text{chemical}}^h(\mathbf{p}) &= -2 \int d\Sigma^\sigma F_\sigma \frac{p_0 \epsilon^{0ijk} \hat{p}^i}{(u \cdot p)} \partial_j \left(\frac{\mu}{T} \right) u_k, \quad (4)
 \end{aligned}$$

- Kinetic vorticity**

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_{\nabla T}^h(\mathbf{p}) &= \int d\Sigma^\sigma F_\sigma \frac{p_0}{T^2} \hat{\mathbf{p}} \cdot (\mathbf{u} \times \nabla T), \\
 S_\omega^h(\mathbf{p}) &= \int d\Sigma^\sigma F_\sigma \frac{p_0}{T} \hat{\mathbf{p}} \cdot \boxed{\boldsymbol{\omega}}, \quad \text{Kinetic vorticity} \quad \dashrightarrow \nabla \times \mathbf{u}
 \end{aligned}$$

Numerical results

- Helicity polarization across RHIC-BES energies



$$P_H(\phi_p) = \frac{2 \int_{Y_{\min}}^{Y_{\max}} dY \int_{p_{T\min}}^{p_{T\max}} p_T dp_T [\Phi(\mathbf{p}) S_{\text{hydro}}^h]}{\int_{Y_{\min}}^{Y_{\max}} dY \int_{p_{T\min}}^{p_{T\max}} p_T dp_T \Phi(\mathbf{p})}$$

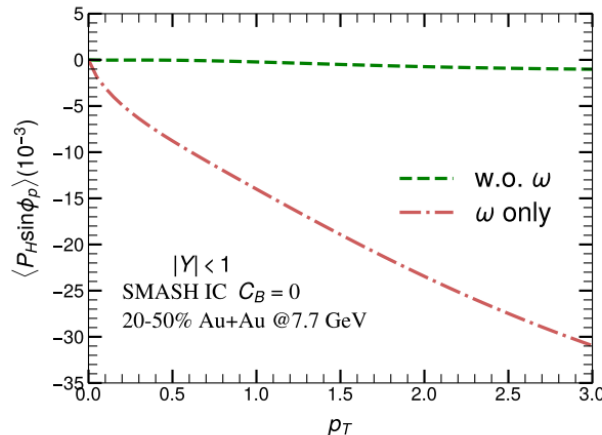
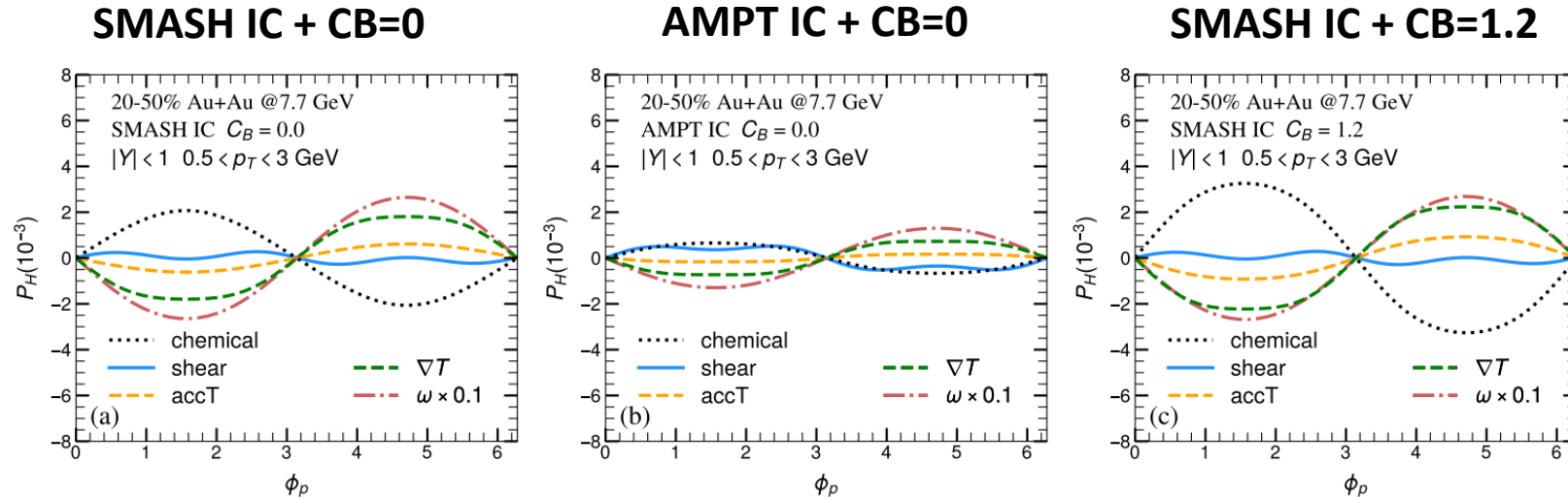
- Helicity polarization induced by **kinetic vorticity dominates** at BES energies
- Helicity polarization induced by kinetic vorticity increases as the collision energy decreases
- Helicity polarization induced by other contributions is almost vanishing

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Numerical results

Different parameters

CY, X.Y. Wu, D.-L. Yang, J.H. Gao, S. Pu, G.Y. Qin, 2304.08777.



- Helicity polarization induced by kinetic vorticity is approximately 10 times larger than that induced by other sources, and this conclusion is not dependent on the initial condition and baryon diffusion.
- A possible way to probe the fine vorticity structure of the QGP by measuring helicity polarization.

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Various Sources

$$\overline{\rho}_{00}^{\phi} = \frac{1}{3} + c_{\text{hydro}} + c_E + c_B + c_F + c_A + c_L + c_{\phi}$$

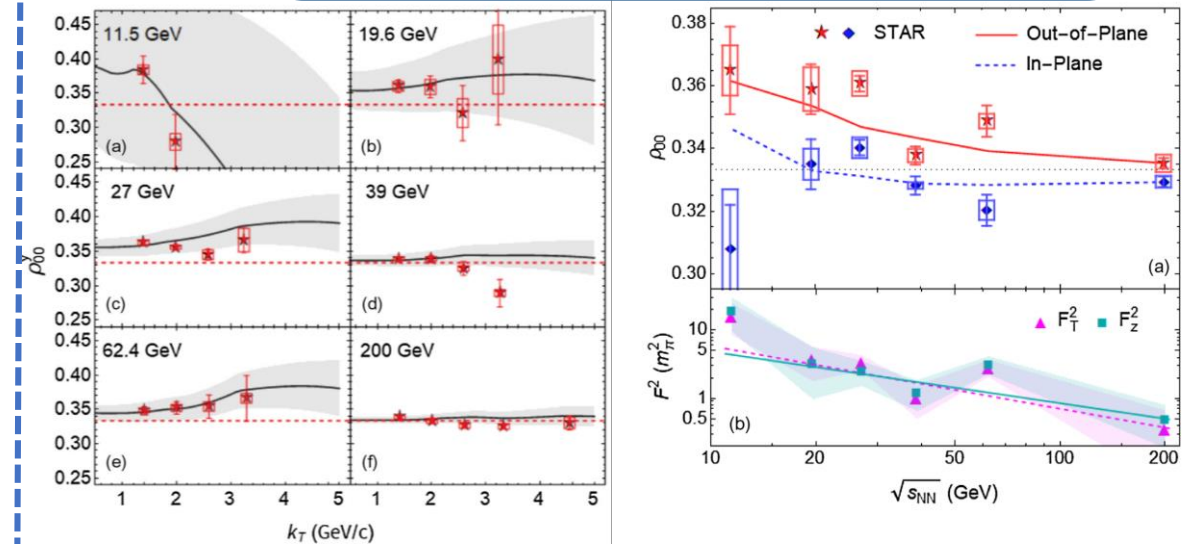
The contribution of hydrodynamic gradient such as, SIP and SHE to the spin alignment have not been studied systematically.

$$\rho_{00}^y = \frac{1 - \langle P_q^y P_{\bar{q}}^y \rangle + \langle P_q^x P_{\bar{q}}^x \rangle + \langle P_q^z P_{\bar{q}}^z \rangle}{3 + \langle P_q^y P_{\bar{q}}^y \rangle + \langle P_q^x P_{\bar{q}}^x \rangle + \langle P_q^z P_{\bar{q}}^z \rangle}$$

X.-L. Xia, H. Li, X.-G. Huang, H.-Z. Huang, PLB 817, 136325 (2021)

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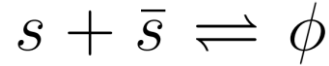
Contributions from effective ϕ meson field can reproduce the most of experimental data for spin alignment of ϕ meson



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Formalism

Spin density matrix (normalized MVSD) for ϕ mesons given by spin Boltzmann equation for the coalescence and dissociation process:



$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{\lambda_1 \lambda_2}^{\phi}(x, \mathbf{p}) &\propto \frac{\Delta t}{32} \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{p}'}{(2\pi\hbar)^3} \frac{1}{E_{\mathbf{p}'}^{\bar{s}} E_{\mathbf{p}-\mathbf{p}'}^s E_{\mathbf{p}}^{\phi}} \boxed{f_{\bar{s}}(x, \mathbf{p}') f_s(x, \mathbf{p}-\mathbf{p}')} \\ &\times 2\pi\hbar\delta(E_{\mathbf{p}}^{\phi} - E_{\mathbf{p}'}^{\bar{s}} - E_{\mathbf{p}-\mathbf{p}'}^s) \epsilon_{\alpha}^*(\lambda_1, \mathbf{p}) \epsilon_{\beta}(\lambda_2, \mathbf{p}) \\ &\times \text{Tr} \{ \Gamma^{\beta} (\mathbf{p}' \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma} - m_{\bar{s}}) [1 + \gamma_5 \boldsymbol{\gamma} \cdot \boxed{P^{\bar{s}}(x, \mathbf{p}')}] \Gamma^{\alpha} \cdot \Rightarrow \\ &\times [(p - p') \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma} + m_s] [1 + \gamma_5 \boldsymbol{\gamma} \cdot \boxed{P^s(x, \mathbf{p}-\mathbf{p}')}] \} \Rightarrow \end{aligned}$$

Distribution function
of s and \bar{s} quarks

Spin polarization of s
and \bar{s} quarks

• Spin polarization vector for s quarks:

$$P_s^{\mu}(x, \mathbf{p}) = \frac{1}{2m_s} \tilde{\omega}_s^{\mu\nu} p_{\nu},$$

$$P_{\bar{s}}^{\mu}(x, \mathbf{p}) = \frac{1}{2m_s} \tilde{\omega}_{\bar{s}}^{\mu\nu} p_{\nu},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\rho}_{00}^{\phi} &= \frac{1}{3} + C_1 \left[\frac{1}{3} \omega_x'^2 + \frac{1}{3} \omega_z'^2 - \frac{2}{3} \omega_y'^2 \right] \\ &+ C_2 \left[\frac{1}{3} \varepsilon_x'^2 + \frac{1}{3} \varepsilon_z'^2 - \frac{2}{3} \varepsilon_y'^2 \right] \end{aligned}$$

with

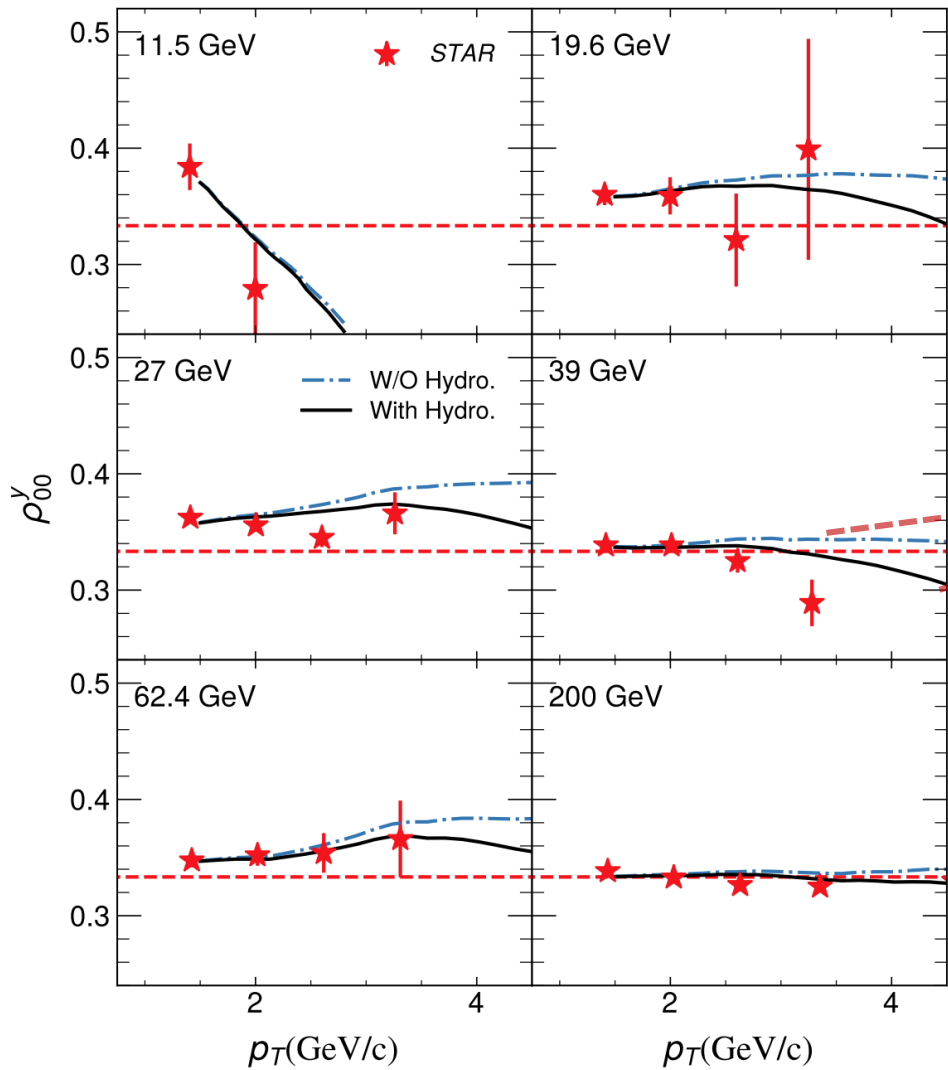
$$\omega_{\alpha\beta}^{s/\bar{s}}(x, p) = \omega_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{th}} + \omega_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{shear}} + \omega_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{accT}} \pm \omega_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{chemical}}$$

$$\langle \bar{\rho}_{00}^{\phi}(\sqrt{s_{NN}}) \rangle = \frac{\int_{y_{\min}}^{y_{\max}} dy \int_{p_{T\min}}^{p_{T\max}} p_T dp_T \int d\phi \int d\Sigma \cdot p f_{eq}^{\phi} \bar{\rho}_{00}^{\phi}(x, \mathbf{p})}{\int_{y_{\min}}^{y_{\max}} dy \int_{p_{T\min}}^{p_{T\max}} p_T dp_T \int d\phi \int d\Sigma \cdot p f_{eq}^{\phi}}$$

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Hydrodynamic contribution (I)

- Hydrodynamic contribution to $\rho_{00} - \frac{1}{3}$ as a function of p_T



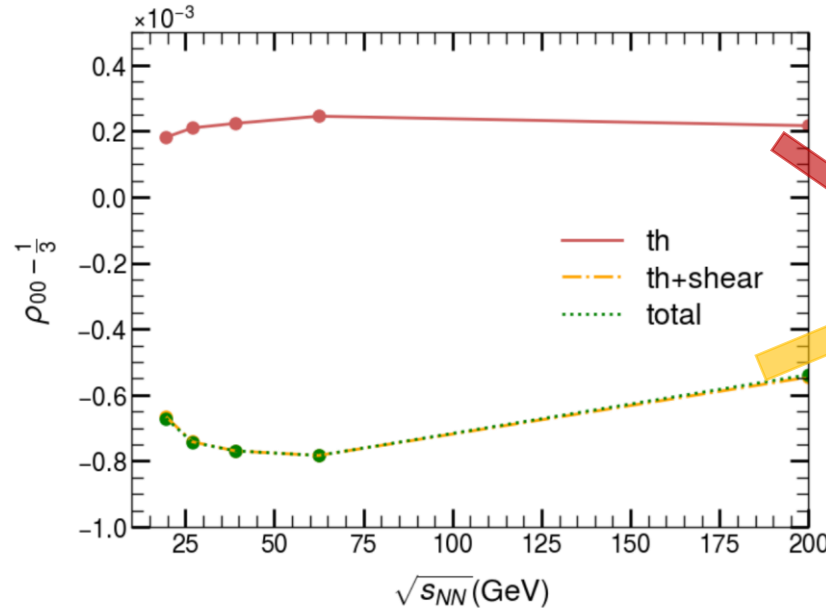
$$\langle \bar{\rho}_{00}^\phi(p_T) \rangle = \frac{\int_{y_{\min}}^{y_{\max}} dy \int d\phi \int d\Sigma \cdot p f_{eq}^\phi \bar{\rho}_{00}^\phi(x, \mathbf{p})}{\int_{y_{\min}}^{y_{\max}} dy \int d\phi \int d\Sigma \cdot p f_{eq}^\phi}$$

Differences caused by the hydrodynamic contributions

- The contribution of hydrodynamic effect is at order of -10^{-2} in large transverse momentum.
- The theoretical calculations included the hydrodynamic contributions are consistent with the experimental data better.

Hydrodynamic contribution (II)

- Hydrodynamic contribution to $\rho_{00} - \frac{1}{3}$ as a function of collision energy



Differences mainly caused by the shear viscous tensor

$\omega_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{shear}}$

- The thermal vorticity contributes to $\rho_{00} - \frac{1}{3} > 0$ at the order of 10^{-4} and the magnitude increases with increasing collision energy.
- The total hydrodynamic contributions to the $\rho_{00} - \frac{1}{3}$ is negative.

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• Spin Polarization of Λ hyperons

- Shear induced polarization always gives a “correct” sign.
- The local spin polarization has not been fully understood.
- The spin hall effect plays an important role in the low energy collisions.
- Helicity polarization is mainly contributed by the kinetic vorticity at low energy collisions.
- Helicity polarization is a possible way to probe the fine vortical structure of QGP.

• Spin Alignment of ϕ mesons

- The theoretical calculations included the hydrodynamic contributions are consistent with the experimental data better in p_T dependence.
- Global $\rho_{00} - \frac{1}{3}$ contributed by hydrodynamic effects is at the order of -10^{-4} .

Thanks for your time !