

*Fluctuations around Bjorken flow and the  
onset of turbulent phenomena*

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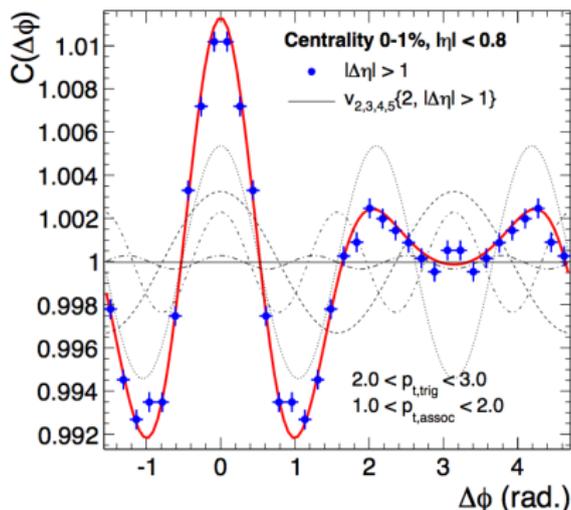
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## A puzzle: $v_3$ and $v_5$



(ALICE, arXiv:1105.3865, similar pictures also from CMS, ATLAS, Phenix)

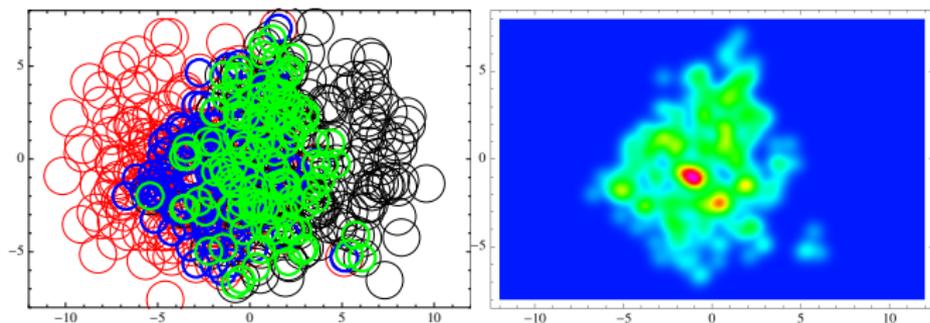
- quite generally, one can expand

$$C(\Delta\phi) \sim 1 + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} 2 v_n \cos(n \Delta\phi)$$

- from symmetry reasons one expects naively  $v_3 = v_5 = \dots = 0$

## *Event-by-event fluctuations*

- argument for  $v_3 = v_5 = 0$  is based on smooth energy density distribution
- there can be deviations from this due to event-by-event fluctuations
- for example using a Glauber model



- this leads to sizeable  $v_3$  and  $v_5$

## Generalized Glauber model

- Fluctuations due to nucleon positions: used so far

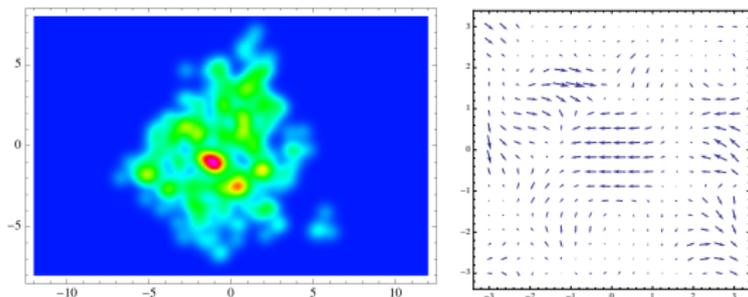
$$\epsilon(\tau, \mathbf{x}, y) = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{part}}} \epsilon_w(\tau, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i, y), \quad u^\mu = (1, 0, 0, 0)$$

- can be generalized to include also velocity fluctuations

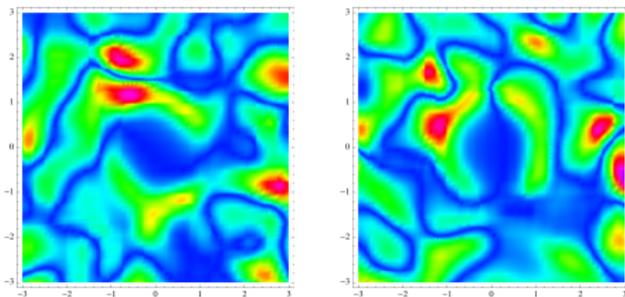
$$T^{\mu\nu}(\tau, \mathbf{x}, y) = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{part}}} T_w^{\mu\nu}(\tau, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i, y)$$

- More generally describe primordial fluid fields by
  - expectation values  $\langle \epsilon(\tau_0, \mathbf{x}, y) \rangle, \langle u^\mu(\tau_0, \mathbf{x}, y) \rangle, \langle n_B(\tau_0, \mathbf{x}, y) \rangle$
  - correlation functions  $\langle \epsilon(\tau_0, \mathbf{x}, y) \epsilon(\tau_0, \mathbf{x}', y') \rangle$ , etc.
- Origin of this fluctuations is initial state physics and early-time, non-equilibrium dynamics.

## Velocity fluctuations



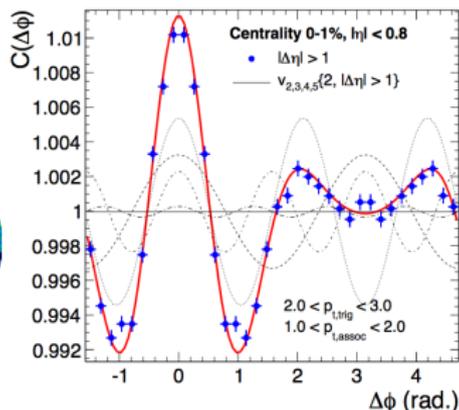
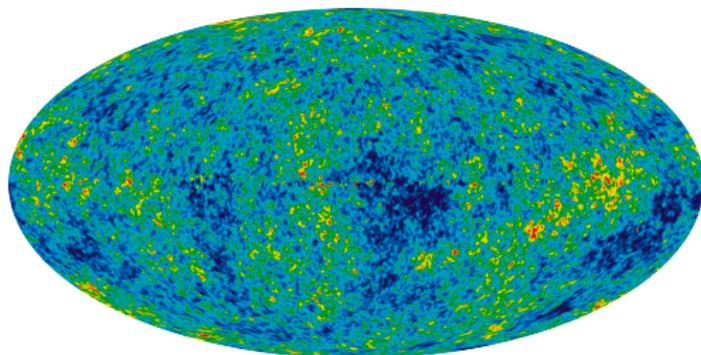
- take here a simple model where transverse velocity for every participant is Gaussian distributed with width  $0.1c$
- vorticity  $|\partial_1 u^2 - \partial_2 u^1|$  and divergence  $|\partial_1 u^1 + \partial_2 u^2|$



## *Why are fluctuations interesting?*

- **Hydrodynamic fluctuations:** Local and event-by-event perturbations around the average of hydrodynamical fields:
  - energy density  $\epsilon$
  - fluid velocity  $u^\mu$
  - more general also: baryon number density  $n_B$ , ...
- measure for deviations from equilibrium
- contain interesting information from early times
- can be used to constrain thermodynamic and transport properties
- might affect other phenomena, e.g. jet quenching

## Similarities to cosmic microwave background



- fluctuation spectrum contains info from early times
- many numbers can be measured and compared to theory
- detailed understanding of evolution needed
- could trigger precision era in heavy ion physics

## Setup for treating fluctuations

- ensemble average over many events with fixed impact parameter  $b$  is described by smooth hydrodynamical fields

$$\bar{\epsilon} = \langle \epsilon \rangle$$

$$\bar{u}^\mu = \langle u^\mu \rangle$$

- fluctuations are added on top

$$\epsilon = \bar{\epsilon} + \delta\epsilon$$

$$u^\mu = \bar{u}^\mu + \delta u^\mu$$

- here we use Bjorkens simplified model (infinite extend in transverse plane)

$$\bar{\epsilon} = \bar{\epsilon}(\tau)$$

$$\bar{u}^\mu = (1, 0, 0, 0)$$

$$u^\mu = \bar{u}^\mu + (\delta u^\tau, u^1, u^2, u^y)$$

## Linearized equations for fluctuations

- consider only terms linear in  $\delta\epsilon$ ,  $(u^1, u^2, u^y)$
- decompose velocity field into
  - gradient term, described by divergence

$$\theta = \partial_1 u^1 + \partial_2 u^2 + \partial_y u^y$$

- rotation term, described by vorticity

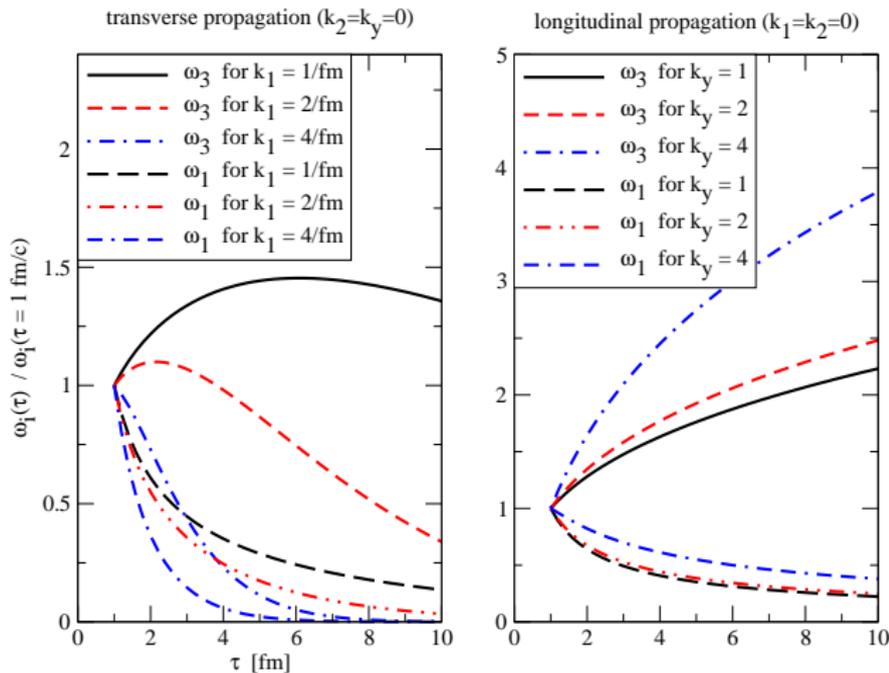
$$\omega_1 = \tau \partial_2 u^y - \frac{1}{\tau} \partial_y u^2$$

$$\omega_2 = \frac{1}{\tau} \partial_y u^1 - \tau \partial_1 u^y$$

$$\omega_3 = \partial_1 u^2 - \partial_2 u^1$$

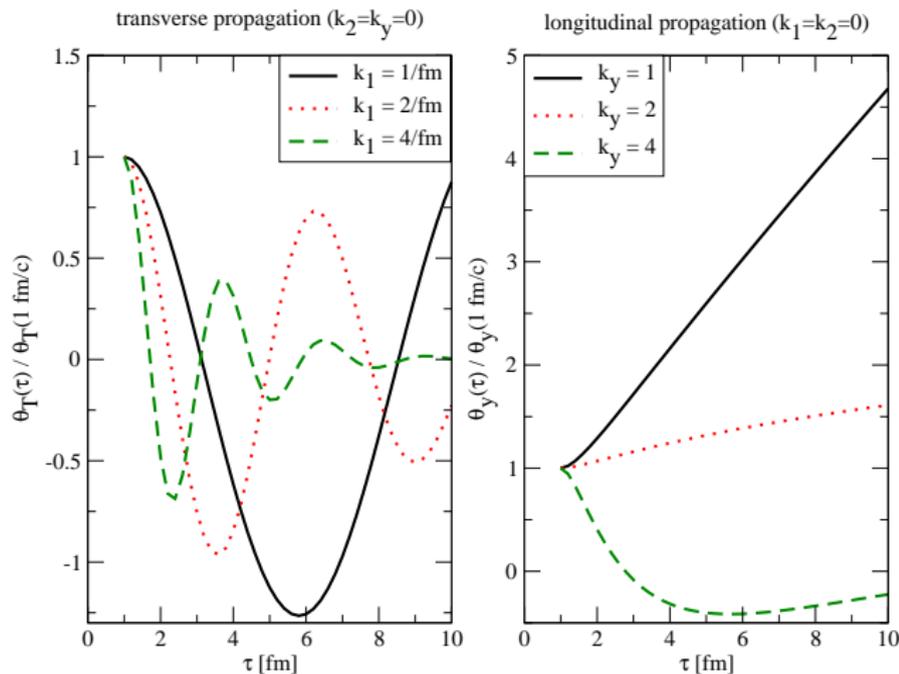
- $\theta$  and  $\delta\epsilon$  are coupled: density or sound waves
- vorticity modes decouple from  $\theta$  and  $\delta\epsilon$

# Vorticity modes



- solve equations in Fourier space  $\omega_j = \omega_j(\tau, k_1, k_2, k_y)$
- short wavelength modes get damped by viscosity
- some modes can grow, however!

# Sound modes



- oscillation for long times
- short wavelength modes get damped by viscosity
- also here some modes can grow!

## *Linear vs. non-linear evolution*

- for linearized theory one can easily determine two-point correlation function at late times from the one at early times
- more difficult for non-linear evolution of fluctuations
- evolution equation for  $n$ -point functions couple:  
“*Closure problem*” in fluid dynamics literature
- needs more elaborate tools:  
functional techniques, numerical simulation, ...
- ... but here we do something else:  
we map the problem to another one!

## Limits of linearized theory

linear approximation works for:

- energy density

$$\frac{\delta\epsilon}{\bar{\epsilon}} \ll 1$$

- velocity field

$$\text{Re} \ll 1$$

large Reynolds number  $\text{Re} \gg 1$  leads to turbulence!

typical numbers:  $T = 0.3 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $l = 5 \text{ fm}$ ,  $u_T = 0.1c$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Re} \approx \frac{1}{\eta/s} \approx \mathcal{O}(10)$$

## *Small Mach number*

$$\text{Ma} = \frac{\sqrt{u_1 u^1 + u_2 u^2 + u_y u^y}}{c_S} \ll 1$$

- turbulent motion can be described as “compression-less”

$$\theta = \partial_1 u^1 + \partial_2 u^2 + \partial_y u^y = 0$$

- sound modes decouple from vorticity, they are much faster
- this does not mean that there are no sound waves present

## Change of variables

- kinematic viscosity, essentially independent of time

$$\nu_0 = \frac{\eta}{s T_{Bj}(\tau_0)}$$

- new time variable (*not* laboratory time)

$$t = \frac{3}{4\tau_0^{1/3}} \tau^{4/3} \quad \partial_t = \left(\frac{\tau_0}{\tau}\right)^{1/3} \partial_\tau$$

- rescaled velocity field

$$v_j = \left(\frac{\tau_0}{\tau}\right)^{1/3} u_j$$

- temperature field

$$d = \left(\frac{\tau_0}{\tau}\right)^{2/3} \ln \left(\frac{T}{T_{Bj}(\tau)}\right)$$

## Compression-less flow

this leads to

$$\partial_t v_j + \sum_{m=1}^2 v_m \partial_m v_j + \frac{1}{\tau^2} v_y \partial_y v_j + \partial_j d - \nu_0 \left( \partial_1^2 + \partial_2^2 + \frac{1}{\tau^2} \partial_y^2 \right) v_j = 0.$$

- index  $j = 1, 2, y$
- solenoidal constraint

$$\partial_1 v_1 + \partial_2 v_2 + \frac{1}{\tau^2} \partial_y v_y = 0$$

- for large times  $\tau$  effectively *two-dimensional Navier-Stokes*!

# Reynolds numbers

assume

- typical velocity in transverse direction  $v_T$
- typical velocity in rapidity direction  $v_y$
- typical transverse length scale  $l$
- typical rapidity difference  $\Delta y$
- kinematic viscosity  $\nu_0 = \frac{\eta}{sT}$

define

$$\text{Re}^{(T)} = \frac{v_T l}{\nu_0}, \quad \text{Re}^{(y)} = \frac{v_y l^2}{\nu_0 \Delta y \tau^2} \quad \text{for} \quad \frac{l}{\tau \Delta y} \ll 1$$

and

$$\text{Re}^{(T)} = \frac{v_T \tau^2 \Delta y^2}{\nu_0 l}, \quad \text{Re}^{(y)} = \frac{v_y \Delta y}{\nu_0} \quad \text{for} \quad \frac{l}{\tau \Delta y} \gg 1$$

## Reynolds numbers 2

- depending on  $\text{Re}^{(T)}$  and  $\text{Re}^{(y)}$  there are different regimes
- for many initial conditions one has  $\text{Re}^{(T)} \gg 1$  at large  $\tau$
- this implies two-dimensional turbulent behavior!

## *Describing turbulence*

- turbulence is best described statistically
- hydrodynamic fluctuations in general have probability distribution

$$p_{\tau}[u^{\mu}(\tau, x_1, x_2, y), \epsilon(\tau, x_1, x_2, y)]$$

- assume this probability distribution to have the symmetries:
  - translational and rotational symmetries in transverse plane
  - Bjorken boost invariance
- implies for expectation values

$$\langle u^{\mu}(\tau, x_1, x_2, y) \rangle = (1, 0, 0, 0), \quad \langle \epsilon(\tau, x_1, x_2, y) \rangle = \bar{\epsilon}(\tau)$$

and for correlation functions

$$\langle u^i(\tau, x_1, x_2, y) u^j(\tau, x'_1, x'_2, y') \rangle = G_u^{ij}(\tau, |\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|, y - y')$$

## Velocity spectrum

in two-dimensional situation

$$\langle v_m(t, \mathbf{x}) v_n(t, \mathbf{x}') \rangle = \int \frac{d^2 k}{(2\pi)^2} e^{i\mathbf{k}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{x}')} \left( \delta_{mn} - \frac{k_m k_n}{k_1^2 + k_2^2} \right) \frac{2\pi}{k} E(t, k)$$

the function  $E(t, k)$  describes how kinetic energy is distributed over different length scales

## Turbulence in $d = 3$

fully developed turbulence

$$\text{Re} \rightarrow \infty$$

dissipated energy per unit time

$$\frac{d}{dt} \langle \vec{v}^2 \rangle = -\nu_0 \langle (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{v})^2 \rangle = -\varepsilon$$

RICHARDSON (1922):

*Big whorls have little whorls,  
Which feed on their velocity;  
And little whorls have lesser whorls,  
And so on to viscosity.*

KOLMOGOROV (1941):

$$E(k) \sim \varepsilon^{2/3} k^{-5/3}$$



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## Turbulence in $d = 2$



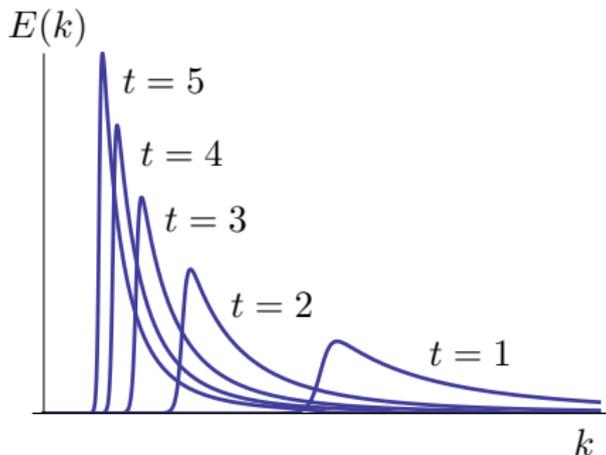
KRAICHNAN (1967):

- vorticity is conserved for  $\nu_0 \rightarrow 0$
- scaling theory of forced turbulence in  $d = 2$
- inverse cascade of energy to small wave numbers !
- cascade of vorticity to large wave numbers

$$E(k) \sim k^{-3}$$

- qualitatively different to  $d = 3$ , emerges here dynamically

## Decaying turbulence in $d = 2$



BATCHELOR (1969):

- scaling theory of decaying turbulence in  $d = 2$

$$E(t, k) = \lambda^3 t f(k \lambda t) \quad \text{with} \quad \lambda^2 = \langle \bar{v}^2 \rangle = \text{const.}$$

- turbulent motion goes to smaller and smaller wave numbers

## Hydrodynamic fluctuations and freeze-out

- for *one* configuration of hydrodynamic fields one can use traditional freeze-out prescription, e.g. Cooper-Frye

$$E \frac{dN}{d^3p} = \int \frac{p_\mu d\Sigma^\mu}{(2\pi)^3} f(x, p)$$

where for ideal Boltzmann gas

$$f(x, p) = d e^{\frac{p_\mu u^\mu(x)}{T(x)}}$$

- the experimental measurement corresponds to an ensemble average of this, however

$$f(x, p) \rightarrow \langle f(x, p) \rangle = d \left\langle e^{\frac{p_\mu u^\mu(x)}{T(x)}} \right\rangle$$

where the averaging is over configurations of  $u^\mu(x)$ ,  $T(x)$ .

... and similar for the two-particle spectrum

$$\begin{aligned} E_A E_B \frac{dN}{d^3 p_A d^3 p_B} &= \int (p_A)_\mu d\Sigma^\mu (p_B)_\nu d\Sigma'^\nu \left\langle f(x, p_A) f(x', p_B) \right\rangle \\ &+ s_{B/F} \int \frac{1}{2} (p_A + p_B)_\mu d\Sigma^\mu \frac{1}{2} (p_A + p_B)_\nu d\Sigma'^\nu \\ &\times e^{i(p_A - p_B)_\mu (x - x')^\mu} \left\langle f\left(x, \frac{p_A + p_B}{2}\right) f\left(x', \frac{p_A + p_B}{2}\right) \right\rangle \end{aligned}$$

- with  $s_{B/F} = \pm 1$  for identical bosons/fermions and  $s_{B/F} = 0$  otherwise
- There are now also cross-correlations between hydro-fluctuations at  $x$  and  $x'$  playing a role
- These lead to deviations from factorization!!

## One-particle spectra

- fluctuations in fluid fields modify the one-particle spectra
- up to quadratic order in fluctuations

$$\frac{dN}{d^3p} = \frac{dN_0}{d^3p} + \frac{d\delta N_1}{d^3p} \langle (u^1)^2 \rangle + \frac{d\delta N_2}{d^3p} \langle (u^y)^2 \rangle + \frac{d\delta N_3}{d^3p} \langle (T - T_{fo})^2 \rangle$$

- explicit expressions can be derived
- modifies also  $v_n(p_T)$  and HBT radii
- effect qualitatively similar to viscosity correction to spectrum
- must be analyzed more quantitatively for phenomenology
- depends only on a few numbers

## Two-particle spectra

- correlation function of particles with momenta  $\vec{p}_A$  and  $\vec{p}_B$

$$C(\vec{p}_A, \vec{p}_B) = \frac{\frac{dN}{d^3p_A d^3p_B}}{\frac{dN}{d^3p_A} \frac{dN}{d^3p_B}}.$$

- particular interesting are *identical particles*
- $C(\vec{p}_A, \vec{p}_B)$  depends on *correlation functions* of hydrodynamic fields at different space-time points, e.g.  $\langle T(x)T(x') \rangle$
- characteristic power-law decay with  $|\vec{p}_A - \vec{p}_B|$  in turbulent situation
- allows in principle to test Kraichnans law  $E(k) \sim k^{-3}$

## *Effects on macroscopic motion of fluid*

- turbulent fluctuations might affect macroscopic motion
  - modified equation of state
  - modified transport properties
- anomalous, turbulent or eddy viscosity
  - proposed by ASAKAWA, BASS, MÜLLER (2006) for plasma turbulence and ROMATSCHKE (2007) for fluid turbulence
  - could become negative in  $d = 2$  (KRAICHNAN (1976))
  - depends on detailed state of turbulence – not universal
  - gradient expansion needs separation of scales
- more work needed

## Summary

- Fluid fluctuations contain interesting information about:
  - Early time dynamics
  - Equation of state
  - Transport properties
- All kinds of fluid fluctuations should be propagated:
  - Density fluctuations
  - Velocity fluctuations
  - Baryon number fluctuations, Electric charge fluctuations,...
  - Deviations from smooth geometry in transverse plane
  - Deviations from Bjorken boost invariance
- Here we investigated mainly velocity fluctuations:
  - Vorticity modes can grow
  - New physics phenomenon: Onset of fluid turbulence
  - Interesting effects on one- and two-particle spectra
- Contribution of hydrodynamic fluctuations need not factorize in two-particle spectrum

# BACKUP

# Little Bang vs. Big Bang

## Heavy Ions

### Bjorken model

$$x^\mu = (\tau, x^1, x^2, y)$$

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & & & \\ & 1 & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & & \tau^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\epsilon_0(\tau), \quad u_0^\mu = (1, 0, 0, 0)$$

+ hydrodyn. fluctuations

$$\epsilon = \epsilon_0(\tau) + \epsilon_1(\tau, x^1, x^2, y)$$

$$u^\mu = u_0^\mu + u_1^\mu(\tau, x^1, x^2, y)$$

## Cosmology

### Friedmann-Robertson-Walker

$$x^\mu = (t, x^1, x^2, x^3)$$

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & & & \\ & a(t) & & \\ & & a(t) & \\ & & & a(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\epsilon_0(t), \quad u_0^\mu = (1, 0, 0, 0)$$

+ hydrodyn. fluctuations

$$\epsilon = \epsilon_0(t) + \epsilon_1(t, x^1, x^2, x^3)$$

$$u^\mu = u_0^\mu + u_1^\mu(t, x^1, x^2, x^3)$$

+ gravity fluctuations