### Fluctuation and conservation

- Fluctuations and the QCD phase diagram
  - bi-modal distributions
- Baryon number conservation 2.0: Correcting susceptibilities from lattice QCD for global B, Q, S conservation

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### The phase diagram



# Cumulants of (baryon) number distribution

$$K_n = \frac{\partial^n}{\partial (\mu/T)^n} \ln Z = \frac{\partial^{n-1}}{\partial (\mu/T)^{n-1}} \langle N \rangle$$

$$K_1 = \langle N \rangle, \ K_2 = \langle N - \langle N \rangle \rangle^2, \ K_3 = \langle N - \langle N \rangle \rangle^3$$

Cumulants scale with volume (extensive):  $K_n \sim V$ 

Volume not well controlled in heavy ion collisions

**Cumulant Ratios:** 

$$\frac{K_2}{\langle N \rangle}, \quad \frac{K_3}{K_2}, \quad \frac{K_4}{K_2}$$







### Cumulants have been measured





#### Alternative approach:

Look at integrated correlation functions a.k.a factorial cumulants

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# Latest STAR result on net-proton cumulants



K<sub>4</sub>/K<sub>2</sub> above baseline K<sub>3</sub>/K<sub>2</sub> below baseline

### Shape of probability distribution



### Simple two component model



Weight of small component: ~0.3%

### Two component model

$$P(N) = (1 - \alpha)P_{(a)}(N) + \alpha P_{(b)}(N)$$
$$\bar{N} = \langle N_{(a)} \rangle - \langle N_{(b)} \rangle > 0$$

For P<sub>(a)</sub>, P<sub>(b)</sub> Poisson, or (to good approximation) Binomial  $C_n = (-1)^n K_n^B \overline{N}^n$   $n \ge 2$   $C_n$ : Factoral cumulant  $K_n^B$ : Cumulant of Bernoulli distribution  $\alpha \ll 1, K_n^B = \alpha \implies C_n \simeq \alpha (-1)^n \overline{N}^n$  $\implies |C_n| \sim \langle N \rangle^n$  as seen by STAR (i.e. "infinite" correlation length)

predict: 
$$\frac{C_4}{C_3} = \frac{C_5}{C_4} = \frac{C_{n+1}}{C_n} = -\bar{N}$$
  $\bar{N} \simeq 15$ 

Clear and falsifiable prediction:

$$C_5 \approx -2650$$
  $C_6 \approx 41000$ 

### Hades see similar trend (arXiv:2002.08701)



### Multiplicity distribution @ 7.7 GeV



Now we need to figure out what this means....

First question: How does it look in the revised data?

# Baryon number conservation and lattice susceptibilities

- Charges (baryon number, strangeness, electric charge) are conserved globally in HI collisions
- Lattice (and most other calculations) work in the grand canonical ensemble: charges may fluctuate
- Effect of charge conservation have been calculated in the ideal gas/HRG limit. NON-neglibile corrections especially for higher order cumulants (Bzdak et al 2013, Rustamov et al. 2017,...)
- Wouldn't it be nice to know what the effect of charge conservation on real QCD (aka lattice) susceptibilities is?

#### This can actually be done!



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## Subensemble acceptance method (SAM)

Partition a thermal system with a globally conserved charge *B* (canonical ensemble) into two subsystems which can exchange the charge

$$V = V_1 + V_2$$

Assume thermodynamic limit:

 $V, V_1, V_2 \to \infty; \quad \frac{V_1}{V} = \alpha = const; \quad \frac{V_2}{V} = (1 - \alpha) = const;$  $V_1, V_2 \gg \xi^3 \qquad \xi = correlation \ length$ 

The canonical partition function then reads:

$$Z^{ce}(T, V, B) = \sum_{B_1} Z^{ce}(T, V_1, B_1) Z^{ce}(T, V - V_1, B - B_1)$$

The probability to have charge  $B_1$  in  $V_1$  is:

$$P(B_1) \sim Z^{ce}(T, \alpha V, B_1) Z^{ce}(T, (1 - \alpha)V, B - B_1), \quad \alpha \equiv V_1/V$$



## Subensemble acceptance method (SAM)

In the thermodynamic limit,  $V \to \infty$ ,  $Z^{ce}$  expressed through free energy *density* 

$$Z^{ce}(T, V, B) \stackrel{V \to \infty}{\simeq} \exp \left[ -\frac{V}{T} f(T, \rho_B) \right]$$

Cumulant generating function for B<sub>1</sub>:

$$G_{B_1}(t) \equiv \ln \langle e^{t B_1} \rangle = \ln \left\{ \sum_{B_1} e^{t B_1} \exp \left[ -\frac{\alpha V}{T} f(T, \rho_{B_1}) \right] \exp \left[ -\frac{\beta V}{T} f(T, \rho_{B_2}) \right] \right\} + \tilde{C}$$

Cumulants of  $B_1$ :

$$\kappa_n[B_1] = \left. \frac{\partial^n G_{B_1}(t)}{\partial t^n} \right|_{t=0} \equiv \tilde{\kappa}_n[B_1(t)]|_{t=0} \quad \text{or} \quad \kappa_n[B_1] = \left. \frac{\partial^{n-1} \tilde{\kappa}_1[B_1(t)]}{\partial t^{n-1}} \right|_{t=0}$$

All  $\kappa_n$  can be calculated by determining the *t*-dependent first cumulant  $\tilde{\kappa}_1[B_1(t)]$ 

### Making the connection...

$$\tilde{\kappa}_{1}[B_{1}(t)] = \frac{\sum_{B_{1}} B_{1} \tilde{P}(B_{1}; t)}{\sum_{B_{1}} \tilde{P}(B_{1}; t)} \equiv \langle B_{1}(t) \rangle \quad \text{with} \quad \tilde{P}(B_{1}; t) = \exp\left\{tB_{1} - V \frac{\alpha f(T, \rho_{B_{1}}) + \beta f(T, \rho_{B_{2}})}{T}\right\}.$$
Thermodynamic limit:  $\tilde{P}(B_{1}; t)$  highly peaked at  $\langle B_{1}(t) \rangle$ 

$$A_{1}(t) = \exp\left\{tB_{1}(t) \right\}$$

 $\langle B_1(t) \rangle$  is a solution to equation  $d\tilde{P}/dB_1 = 0$ :  $t = \hat{\mu}_B[T, \rho_{B_1}(t)] - \hat{\mu}_B[T, \rho_{B_2}(t)]$ 

where  $\hat{\mu}_B \equiv \mu_B/T$ ,  $\mu_B(T, \rho_B) = \partial f(T, \rho_B)/\partial \rho_B$ 

*t* = 0:  $\rho_{B_1} = \rho_{B_2} = B/V$ ,  $B_1 = \alpha B$ , i.e. conserved charge uniformly distributed between the two subsystems

### Second order cumulant

$$t = \hat{\mu}_{B}[T, \rho_{B_{1}}(t)] - \hat{\mu}_{B}[T, \rho_{B_{2}}(t)]$$
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$$\frac{\partial(*)}{\partial t}: \qquad 1 = \left(\frac{\partial\hat{\mu}_B}{\partial\rho_{B1}}\right)_{T} \left(\frac{\partial\rho_{B1}}{\partial\langle B_1\rangle}\right)_{V} \frac{\partial\langle B_1\rangle}{\partial t} - \left(\frac{\partial\hat{\mu}_B}{\partial\rho_{B2}}\right)_{T} \left(\frac{\partial\rho_{B2}}{\partial\langle B_2\rangle}\right)_{V} \frac{\partial\langle B_2\rangle}{\partial\langle B_1\rangle} \frac{\partial\langle B_1\rangle}{\partial t}$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial\hat{\mu}_{B}}{\partial\rho_{B1,2}}\right)_{T} \equiv \left[\chi_{2}^{B}\left(T,\rho_{B_{1,2}}\right) T^{3}\right]^{-1}, \qquad \rho_{B_{1}} \equiv \frac{\langle B_{1}\rangle}{\alpha V}, \qquad \rho_{B_{2}} \equiv \frac{\langle B_{2}\rangle}{(1-\alpha)V}, \qquad \langle B_{2}\rangle = B - \langle B_{1}\rangle, \qquad \frac{\partial\langle B_{1}\rangle}{\partial t} \equiv \tilde{\kappa}_{2}[B_{1}(t)]$$

Solve the equation for  $\tilde{\kappa}_2$ :

$$\tilde{\kappa}_{2}[B_{1}(t)] = \frac{V T^{3}}{[\alpha \chi_{2}^{B}(T, \rho_{B_{1}})]^{-1} + [(1 - \alpha) \chi_{2}^{B}(T, \rho_{B_{2}})]^{-1}}$$

*t* = 0: 
$$\kappa_2[B_1] = \alpha (1 - \alpha) V T^3 \chi_2^B$$

Higher-order cumulants: iteratively differentiate  $\tilde{\kappa}_2$  w.r.t. *t* 

### Full result up to sixth order

 $\chi_n^B = \frac{\partial^n (p/T^4)}{\partial (\mu_B/T)^n} - \text{grand-canonical susceptibilities e.g from Lattice QCD!!}$ 

Details: Vovchenko, et al. arXiv:2003.13905

### **Cumulant ratios**

Some common cumulant ratios:

scaled variance 
$$\frac{\kappa_2[B_1]}{\kappa_1[B_1]} = (1 - \alpha) \frac{\chi_2^B}{\chi_1^B},$$
  
skewness 
$$\frac{\kappa_3[B_1]}{\kappa_2[B_1]} = (1 - 2\alpha) \frac{\chi_3^B}{\chi_2^B},$$
  
kurtosis 
$$\frac{\kappa_4[B_1]}{\kappa_2[B_1]} = (1 - 3\alpha\beta) \frac{\chi_4^B}{\chi_2^B} - 3\alpha\beta \left(\frac{\chi_3^B}{\chi_2^B}\right)^2$$

- Global conservation ( $\alpha$ ) and equation of state ( $\chi_n^B$ ) effects factorize in cumulants up to the 3<sup>rd</sup> order, starting from  $\kappa_4$  not anymore
- $\alpha \rightarrow 0$  : Grand canonical limit
- $\alpha \rightarrow 1$ : canonical limit
- $\chi_{2n} = \langle N \rangle + \langle \bar{N} \rangle$ ;  $\chi_{2n+1} = \langle N \rangle \langle \bar{N} \rangle$ : recover known results for ideal gas

# Net baryon fluctuations at LHC and top RHIC ( $\mu_B=0$ )



Lattice data for  $\chi_4^B/\chi_2^B$  and  $\chi_6^B/\chi_2^B$  from Borsanyi et al., 1805.04445

For  $\alpha > 0.2$  difficult to distinguish effects of the EoS and baryon conservation in  $\chi_6^B/\chi_2^B$ ,  $\alpha \le 0.1$  is a sweet spot where measurements are mainly sensitive to the EoS

Estimates:  $\alpha \approx 0.1$  corresponds to  $\Delta Y_{acc} \approx 2(1)$  at LHC (RHIC)

### Multiple conserved charges

(Vovchenko, R.Poberezhnyuk, V.K, arXiv:2007.03850)

Key findings:

- Ratios of second and third order cumulants are NOT sensitive to charge conservation
  - This is also true for so called "strongly intensive quantities"
  - Requires that acceptance fraction  $\alpha$

is the same for both particles (or Q and S)

For order n>3 charge cumulants "mix".
 Effect in HRG is tiny

$$\kappa_4[B^1] = \alpha V T^3 \beta \left[ \left( 1 - 3\alpha\beta \right) \chi_4^B - 3\alpha\beta \, \frac{(\chi_3^B)^2 \chi_2^Q - 2\chi_{21}^{BQ} \chi_{11}^{BQ} \chi_3^B + (\chi_{21}^{BQ})^2 \chi_2^B}{\chi_2^B \chi_2^Q - (\chi_{11}^{BQ})^2} \right]$$

For explicit results up to order n=6, see arXiv:2007.03850





### Multiple conserved charges

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Also works for non-conserved quantities such as protons, K and  $\Lambda$ 

- Mixed cumulants involving one conserved charge such as  $\sigma_{1,1}^{p,Q}$  scale like second order charge cumulants
  - Again, same acceptance fraction  $\alpha$  for both p and Q, or k and Q

• Does NOT work for two non-conserved charges, such as  $\sigma_{1,1}^{p,K}$ 



### Multiple conserved charges (Vovchenko, R.Poberezhnyuk, V.K, arXiv:2007.03850)

 Allows for corrections due to electric charge (protons) or strangeness (Λ) in addition to baryon number conservation.



Truth lies in between the "naive" corrections Likely bigger effect for higher orders.

### **Applicability and limitations**

- Argument is based on partition in *coordinate* space; experiments partition in *momentum* space
  - OK for high energies where we have Bjorken flow
    - Still corrections due to thermal smearing. Under investigation.
  - Limited applicability for lower energies
- Thermodynamic limit i.e.  $V_1, V_2 \gg \xi^3$ :
  - Lattice calculations work with  $V_{lattice} \simeq (5 \text{ fm})^3 = 125 \text{ fm}^3$ . Chemical freeze out Volume at LHC ~  $4500 \text{ fm}^3$
- Not addressed: local charge conservation

### Summary

- Preliminary STAR data:
  - consistent with "Bi-Modal" distribution at 7.7 GeV
  - Can be tested RIGHT NOW by STAR via higher order factorial cumulants
  - "Final", efficiency uncorrected multiplicity distribution does support idea of "Bi-Modal" distribution.
    - What about the revised data?
- Corrections for global (multiple) charge conservation in terms of grand canonical susceptibilities for ANY equation of state not just ideal gas
  - connection to lattice results
  - Applicable at top RHIC and LHC
  - Ratios of second and third order cumulants insensitive to conservation effects as long as acceptance fraction is the same

## Thank You