Angular correlations in pA collisions from initial state physics

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- **Motivation**: Experimental results for pA collisions at LHC
- **"Glasma" graph**: Azimuthal asymmetry from connected diagrams in dilute-dense limit and high order cumulants
- Azimuthal anisotropy in McLerran-Venugopalan model: numerical results
- **Quantum corrections:** JIMWLK evolution and fate of the anisotropy
- Conclusions

• Fourier components and cumulants analysis



Hierarchy of harmonics $v_2\{2\} > v_2\{4\} \approx v_2\{6\} \approx v_2\{8\}$ in high multiplicity events: • expected in AA collisions ("hydrodynamic flow"); • surprising for pA?!

EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS: PA II

• Negative $c_2{4} \equiv -v_2^4{4}$ at high multiplicity

 $c_{2}\{4\} = \langle \exp[i2(\phi_{1} - \phi_{2} + \phi_{3} - \phi_{4})] \rangle - 2 \langle \exp[i2(\phi_{1} - \phi_{2})] \rangle \langle \exp[i2(\phi_{3} - \phi_{4})] \rangle$

• Change of sign at $N \approx 60$.



Two distinct regimes defined by sign of c_2 {4}

EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS: PA III

• Anisotropy persists to high momentum



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S-matrix for dilute-dense limit: no large N_c approximation

Goal: to find $v_2\{n\}$ in dilute-dense limit at high k_{\perp}

• In eikonal approximation, parton propagation is described by light-like Wilson line $V(\vec{x}) = \mathcal{P} \exp\left(ig \int dx^{-}A^{+}(x^{-}, \vec{x})\right)$



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Boosted field of target (A)
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• S-matrix in momentum space: $\langle S_1(\vec{k}_{\perp}) \rangle = \frac{1}{d_R} \left\langle \text{tr}_R V(\vec{k}_{\perp}) V^{\dagger}(\vec{k}_{\perp}) \right\rangle$ or can be obtained from

$$\langle S_1(\vec{k}_\perp)\rangle = \int d^2b \; d^2r \; e^{i\vec{r}_\perp\vec{k}_\perp} \; S_1(\vec{x}_\perp,\vec{y}_\perp),$$

where $\vec{x}_{\perp} = \vec{b}_{\perp} + \vec{r}_{\perp}/2$ and $\vec{y}_{\perp} = \vec{b}_{\perp} - \vec{r}_{\perp}/2$ and $\langle S_1 \rangle = \frac{1}{d_R} \langle \operatorname{tr}_R V(\vec{x}_{\perp}) V^{\dagger}(\vec{y}_{\perp}) \rangle; \quad \boldsymbol{k}_{\perp} \propto 1/r_{\perp}; \quad \vec{r}_{\perp} = \vec{x}_{\perp} - \vec{y}_{\perp}$ d_R is dimension of representation \mathcal{R}

$$S_A(\vec{r}) = \frac{N_c^2 |S_F(\vec{r})|^2 - 1}{N_c^2 - 1}$$

 $S_F(\vec{r})$ can be complex, while $S_A(\vec{r})$ is real.

• Scattering to high transverse momentum corresponds to small $|\vec{r}| \propto 1/k_{\perp}$. Gradient expansion of vector potential $A^+(x^-, \vec{x})$ gives (fundamental representation only)

$$\langle S_1(\vec{r},\vec{b})\rangle - 1 = \left\langle \frac{(ig)^2}{2N_c} \operatorname{tr} \left(\vec{r} \cdot \vec{E}(\vec{b})\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{(ig)^2}{2N_c} \operatorname{tr} \left(\vec{r} \cdot \vec{E}(\vec{b})\right)^2 \right]^2 + O(r^6) \right\rangle$$

Light-cone electric field of target in covariant gauge $E^{i}(\vec{b}) = \int dx^{-}F^{+i} = -\partial^{i} \int dx^{-}A^{+}(x^{-}, \vec{b}).$

• For *m*-quarks (only leading order is shown)

$$\langle S_m \rangle - 1 = \left(\frac{(ig)^2}{2N_c}\right)^m \left\langle \operatorname{tr}(\vec{r}_{1,\perp}\vec{E}_1)^2 \operatorname{tr}(\vec{r}_{2,\perp}\vec{E}_2)^2 \cdots \operatorname{tr}(\vec{r}_{m,\perp}\vec{E}_m)^2 \right\rangle; \quad \vec{E}_i = \vec{E}(\vec{b}_{i,\perp})$$

• By knowing $\langle \vec{E}(\vec{b}_1)\vec{E}(\vec{b}_2)\rangle$, one can compute S_m , cumulants, $c_n\{m\}$ and harmonics $v_n\{m\}$ of azimuthal anisotropy.

Event averaging corresponds to averaging over target ensemble $\langle \vec{E}(\vec{b_1})\vec{E}(\vec{b_2})\rangle$.

In McLerran-Venugopalan model

$$\frac{g^2}{N_c} \langle \boldsymbol{E}_i^a(\vec{b}_1) \boldsymbol{E}_j^b(\vec{b}_2) \rangle = \frac{1}{N_c^2 - 1} \delta^{ab} \delta_{ij} \, Q_s^2 \, \Delta(\vec{b}_1 - \vec{b}_2)$$

Cumualnts of azimuthal anisotropy I

• Cumulants of azimuthal anisotropy can be readily computed. Cumulants are defined in such a way as to cancel disconnected pieces not associated with **single** particle azimuthal anisotropy. For example

$$c_n\{4\} = \langle e^{in(\phi_1 + \phi_2 - \phi_3 - \phi_4)} \rangle_{\text{conn}} = \langle e^{in(\phi_1 + \phi_2 - \phi_3 - \phi_4)} \rangle - 2\langle e^{in(\phi_1 - \phi_3)} \rangle^2$$

• In field theory, this corresponds to considering fully connected diagrams only Connected graph Disconnected graph





CUMUALNTS OF AZIMUTHAL ANISOTROPY II

• There are (2m-2)!! ways to contract $S_m(\vec{r}_1, \vec{b}_1, \dots, \vec{r}_m, \vec{b}_m)$ in fully connected way:

$$\langle S_m(\vec{r}_1, \vec{b}_1, \dots, \vec{r}_m, \vec{b}_m) - 1 \rangle^{\text{conn.}} = \left(\frac{-Q_s^2}{4} \right)^m \frac{1}{(N_c^2 - 1)^{m-1}} \\ \Delta(\vec{b}_1 - \vec{b}_2) \Delta(\vec{b}_2 - \vec{b}_1) \cdots \Delta(\vec{b}_{m-1} - \vec{b}_m) \Delta(\vec{b}_m - \vec{b}_1) \\ (\vec{r}_1 \vec{r}_2) (\vec{r}_2 \vec{r}_3) \cdots (\vec{r}_{m-1} \vec{r}_m) (\vec{r}_m \vec{r}_1) + \text{permutations.}$$

• Averaging with respect to impact parameters (for Gaussian $\Delta(\vec{b})$ with width R_c):

$$\langle S_m(\vec{r}_1, \dots, \vec{r}_m) - 1 \rangle^{\text{conn.}} = \left(\frac{-Q_s^2}{4}\right)^m \frac{1}{(N_c^2 - 1)^{m-1}} \frac{\xi^{m-1}}{m} \\ (\vec{r}_1 \vec{r}_2)(\vec{r}_2 \vec{r}_3) \cdots (\vec{r}_{m-1} \vec{r}_m)(\vec{r}_m \vec{r}_1) + \text{permutations.}$$

 $\xi = S_c/S_p = 1/N_D$, $S_c = \pi R_c^2$, S_p is the proton radius.

• In large N_c , normalization of angular averages is defined by disconnected contribution

$$\langle S_m(\vec{r}_1,\ldots,\vec{r}_m)-1\rangle^{\text{disc.}}\approx \left(-\frac{Q_s^2}{4}\right)^m\prod_{i=1}^m r_i^2.$$

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• Not all (2m - 2)!! terms contribute to cumulants. m!!(m - 2)!! nonzero terms are defined by all possible contractions of terms entering with opposite signs before ϕ 's in $e^{2i(\phi_1+\phi_2+\dots+\phi_n-\phi_{n+1}-\phi_{n+2}-\dots-\phi_{2n})}$.

• For 4 particles, $e^{2i(\phi_1 + \phi_2 - \phi_3 - \phi_4)}$





$c_2\{m\}$ from connected diagrams

• Final result

$$c_2\{m\} = \frac{m!!(m-2)!!}{m \ 2^m} \left(\frac{\xi}{N_c^2 - 1}\right)^{m-1}$$

• Suppressed by powers of
$$1/N_c^2$$
 and $\xi = S_c/S_p$.

• $c_2\{m\}$ are manifestly positive for any *m*.

• Same result remains true for adjoint representation (Casimir operators cancel in normalized observables).

• Harmonics are related to cumulants. Relation of flow coefficients to cumulants (see N. Borghini, P. M. Dinh and J. Y. Ollitrault 0105040)

 $v_2^{2k}\{2k\} = (-1)^{k+1} \times (\text{Numerical coefficient}) \times c_2\{m = 2k\} = \kappa_{2k}c_2\{m = 2k\}$

• First few κ_{2m} :

Order, 2m	2	4	6	8	10	12	14
$1/\kappa_{2m}$	1	-1	-4	33	-456	9460	-274800

• Idea behind these numbers: if we have dominating **single** particle azimuthal anisotropy $v_2\{1\}$ then

 $v_2^m\{m\} = v_2^m\{1\} +$ corrections

Purpose for hydrodynamics: extract genuine v_2 {1} and suppress "non-flow".

$$\kappa_{2m} = \frac{v_n^{2m} \{2m\}}{c_n \{2m\}}.$$

The notation and definitions from Borghini et al 0105040, expanding the generating equation up to order x^{2k}

$$\sum \frac{x^{2k}}{(k!)^2} \langle \langle |Q|^{2k} \rangle \rangle = \ln I_0(2x \langle Q \rangle).$$

and equating the coefficients of x^{2k} one obtains a relation between the cumulants and harmonics. Find the expansion of $\ln (I_0(2y))$ at $y = x\langle Q \rangle = 0$. The Bessel function can be represented as an infinite product $I_0(2y) = \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(1 + \left(\frac{2y}{j_{0,k}}\right)^2\right)$ and thus

$$\ln\left(I_0(2y)\right) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \ln\left(1 + \left(\frac{2y}{j_{0,k}}\right)^2\right) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i y^{2i}, \quad a_i = \frac{(-1)^{i+1}}{i} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{j_{0,k}}\right)^{2i}$$

For details see Appendix of V. S. 1412.5191

$$\kappa_{2m} = \frac{v_n^{2m} \{2m\}}{c_n \{2m\}} = (-1)^{m+1} \left[m!(m-1)! \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{j_{0,k}}\right)^{2m} \right]^{-1}$$

At large orders the sum can be approximated by the first term.

• Harmonics:

$$(v_2\{m\})^m = \frac{(-1)^{\frac{m}{2}+1}}{m\beta_m} \left(\frac{\xi}{N_c^2 - 1}\right)^{m-1}; \qquad \beta_m = 2\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{j_{0,k}}\right)^m \approx 2\left(\frac{2}{j_{0,1}}\right)^m$$

• Explicitly for second and fourth order:

$$v_2^2\{2\} = \frac{1}{4} \frac{\xi}{N_c^2 - 1}; \qquad v_2^4\{4\} = -\frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{\xi}{N_c^2 - 1}\right)^3$$

- v_2 {4} is complex!
- $m \to \infty$:

$$\lim_{m \to \infty} |v_2\{m\}| = \frac{\xi}{N_c^2 - 1} \frac{j_{0,1}}{2}; \qquad j_{0,1} = 2.40483$$





• Hierarchy of $|v_2\{m\}|$.

- Complex v₂{4k}, k ∈ Z;
 including v₂{4} and v₂{8}
- Experiment: high multiplicity pA $c_2\{4\} < 0 \rightsquigarrow v_2\{4\} \in \mathcal{R}$
- Theory: connected graph only $c_2\{4\} > 0 \rightsquigarrow v_2\{4\} \in C$
- In order to describe high k_⊥ with IS effects, one needs disconnected graphs with single azimuthal anisotropy

• For a hydro practitioner: "non-flow". However, very different from conventional non-flow contributions (i.e. resonance decay): long-range in rapidity, approximate equality of high order harmonics $|v_2\{m\}|$. • We can learn something! Measure $|v_2\{m\}|$ at multiplicity below N < 50.

MV model for high energy

- Large-x valence partons are modeled by random, recoilless color charges ρ^a(x
 _⊥) creating semi-classical small-x gluon fields A^a(x
 _⊥).
- Gaussian distribution of sources

$$S_{\rm eff}[\rho^a] = \int dx^- d^2 x_\perp \; \frac{\rho^a(x^-, \vec{x}_\perp) \, \rho^a(x^-, \vec{x}_\perp)}{2\mu^2}$$

• Weizsäcker-Williams fields:

$$A^{\mu a}(x^{-}, \vec{x}_{\perp}) = -\delta^{\mu +} \frac{g}{\nabla_{\perp}^{2}} \rho^{a}(x^{-}, \vec{x}_{\perp}) .$$

• Propagation of fundamental charge in this field

$$V(\vec{x}_{\perp}) = \mathbb{P} \exp\left\{-ig \int dx^{-} t^{a} A^{+a}(x^{-}, \vec{x}_{\perp})\right\}$$

• S-matrix for scattering charge off given target field configuration

$$S_{\rho}(\vec{r}_{\perp},\vec{b}_{\perp}) \equiv \frac{1}{N_c} \text{tr} V^{\dagger}(\vec{x}_{\perp}) V(\vec{y}_{\perp}), \quad \vec{r}_{\perp} \equiv \vec{x}_{\perp} - \vec{y}_{\perp} , \quad 2\vec{b}_{\perp} \equiv \vec{x}_{\perp} + \vec{y}_{\perp}$$

Details on numerical implementation: A. Dumitru, V. S. 1411.6630 T. Lappi 0711.3039

SINGLE CONFIGURATION I



- Normalization 1/r² mimics LO of isotropic part of cross-section
- Real part is dominated by $\cos 2\phi_r$

• Imaginary part is dominated by $\cos \phi_r$

SINGLE CONFIGURATION II



• Higher orders are seen in real part • Imaginary part is dominated by $\cos 3\phi_r$ This anisotropy is not correlated with spatial geometry of a collisions.

AMPLITUDES: DEFINITION

- Goal is to extract amplitudes of azimuthal anisotropy
- In each event Fourier decomposition is performed:

$$1 - \operatorname{Re} S_{\rho}(\vec{r}_{\perp}) \equiv D_{\rho}(\vec{r}_{\perp}) = \mathcal{N}(r_{\perp}) \left(1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A'_{2n}(r_{\perp}) \cos(2n\phi_r) \right)$$

$$\operatorname{Im} S_{\rho}(\vec{r}_{\perp}) = \mathcal{N}(r_{\perp}) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A'_{2n+1}(r_{\perp}) \cos((2n+1)\phi_r)$$

• To cancel trivial random phase:

$$A_n(r_\perp) = \frac{\pi}{2} |A'_{2n}(r_\perp)|$$

• Results are presented in terms of Q_s defined by $\langle S_{\rho} \rangle (r_s = \sqrt{2}/Q_s) \stackrel{!}{=} e^{-1/2}$

Amplitudes: even harmonics



- Largest amplitude: $\langle A_2 \rangle$
- Finite ⟨A₂⟩ at r → 0; ⟨A₂⟩ is approximately constant for r < 1/Q_s
- $\langle A_4 \rangle$ is significantly smaller
- Fit of $\langle A_2 \rangle$ motivated by h_1^g of distribution of linearly polarized gluons (for an unpolarized target) introduced in TMD factorization

$$\delta^{ij} f_1^g(x,\vec{k}^2) + \left(\hat{k}^i \hat{k}^j - \frac{1}{2} \delta^{ij} \right) h_1^{\perp g}(x,\vec{k}^2) \; .$$

In MV (A. Metz and J. Zhou, 1105.1991):

$$h_1^{\perp g}(x, \vec{r}^2) \propto \frac{1}{r^2 Q_s^2} \left[1 - \exp\left(-\frac{r^2 Q_s^2}{4}\right) \right]$$

AMPLITUDES: ODD HARMONICS



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- Expectation value of Im S_{ρ} is 0
- However, odd harmonics are non-zero!
- At small *r*, $\langle A_1 \rangle$ and $\langle A_3 \rangle$ approach zero, as expected from analytic arguments
 - (A. Dumitru and A. Giannini, 1406.5781)

$$\operatorname{Im} S_{\rho} \propto \alpha_s r^3 \cos \phi_r$$

Amplitudes: averaging over finite $ec{b}_{\perp}$

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BEYOND MV

- Beyond MV: inclusion of quantum fluctuations.
- Previous "mean-field" BK studies showed that azimuthal anisotropy decreases exponentially in Y.
 See A. Kovner & M. Lublinsky 1211.1928.
 - Anisotropic initial conditions $1 S \propto e^{-1/4Q_S^2 r^2(1 + \#\cos(2\phi))}$
 - BK equation assuming uniform distribution in impact parameter space

$$\partial_Y N(\vec{r}) = \frac{C_F \alpha(r^2)}{2\pi} \int d^2 \vec{r}_1 K(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_1) \left(N(\vec{r}_1) + N(\vec{r}_2) - N(\vec{r}) - N(\vec{r}_1) N(\vec{r}_2) \right)$$

• In this particular set up I was able to reproduce their conclusion: azimuthal anisotropy decays very fast with $Y = \ln(x_0/x)$.

- Crucial assumption: no impact parameter space dependence
- Even at level of initial condition (given by MV model), azimuthal anisotropy of $S(\vec{r}, \vec{b})$ arises due to fluctuations of soft fields in transverse impact parameter plane.
- **JIMWLK** equation with both \vec{r} and \vec{b} .

Evolution over a step ΔY in rapidity opens up phase space for radiation of gluons and modifies classical action. This is taken into account by functional renormalization group equation, JIMWLK.

JIMWLK II

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SINGLE PARTICLE ANISOTROPY

- Kovner&Lublinsky: Re $S_{\rho} 1 = \frac{(ig)^2}{2N_c} tr(\vec{r}\vec{E})^2$; If projectile partons scatter off same electric field, they pick up same transverse momentum (independent on rapidity of partons).
- To take this into account, let modify E E correlator:

$$\frac{g^2}{2N_c} \left\langle \operatorname{tr} E_i(\vec{b}_{1\perp}) E_j(\vec{b}_{2\perp}) \right\rangle = \frac{1}{4} Q_s^2 \,\Delta(\vec{b}_{1\perp} - \vec{b}_{2\perp}) \left(\delta^{ij} + 2 \,\mathcal{A} \left(\frac{\hat{a}^i \hat{a}^j}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \delta^{ij} \right) \right)$$

• Angular distribution for scattering of single dipole, for fixed \hat{a} .

$$\left(\frac{1}{\pi}\frac{dN}{dk^2}\right)^{-1} \frac{dN}{d^2k} = 1 - 2\mathcal{A} + 4\mathcal{A}(\hat{k}\cdot\hat{a})^2 .$$

Consequently, elliptic harmonic of single-particle distribution: $v_2 \equiv \left\langle e^{2i(\phi_k - \phi_a)} \right\rangle_{\hat{a}} = \mathcal{A}$. • Repeating calculations, see details in [†]:

$$v_{2}^{2}\{2\} = c_{2}\{2\} = \xi \left(\mathcal{A}^{2} + \frac{1}{4(N_{c}^{2} - 1)}\right)$$
$$v_{2}^{4}\{4\} = -c_{2}\{4\} = \xi^{3} \left(\mathcal{A}^{4} - \frac{1}{4(N_{c}^{2} - 1)^{3}}\right)$$

A. Kovner, M. Lublinsky,1109.0347, 1211.1928; [†] A. Dumitru, L. McLerran, V.S. 1410.4844; Factors of $\xi = 1/N_D$: partons scatter off domain with same \vec{E} orientation.

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$$c_2\{4\} = -\xi^3 \left(\mathcal{H}^4 - \frac{1}{4(N_c^2 - 1)^3} \right)$$

- Interpretation in terms of IS:
 - N_{ch} < 60: dominated by connected contribution to c₂{4}
 - N_{ch} > 60: dominated by single particle disconnected contribution to c₂{4}

SINGLE PARTICLE ANISOTROPY: ILLUSTRATION OF HIERARCHY

- In general it is immensely difficult to derive general expression for $v_2\{m\}$.
- Limiting cases are easy:
- Connected graphs dominate:

$$(v_2\{m\})^m = \frac{(-1)^{\frac{m}{2}+1}}{m\beta_m} \left(\frac{\xi}{N_c^2 - 1}\right)^{m-1};$$

• $\mathcal{A}(\text{single particle anisotropy})$ dominates:

$$v_2{m} = \xi^{1-1/m} \mathcal{A};$$
 at large $m \quad v_2{m} = \xi \mathcal{A}$

- Single particle anisotropy:
 - •[A] for fundamental representation S_F has odd harmonics, e.g. $\cos(3\phi)$;
 - •[B] for adjoint representation S_A is manifestly real and thus can have only even harmonics (S_A)
- Two particle azimuthal anisotropy: [A] does not help much if there is an approximate quark—anti-quark symmetry of projectile wave function at small *x*. Indeed, two particle correlation function summed over *qq*, *qq*, *qq*, *qq* and *qq* channels is *C*-even

$$S_2 \propto \left(\operatorname{tr} V^{\dagger}(\vec{x}_1) \, V(\vec{y}_1) + \, \operatorname{tr} V(\vec{x}_1) \, V^{\dagger}(\vec{y}_1) \right) \left(\operatorname{tr} V^{\dagger}(\vec{x}_2) \, V(\vec{y}_2) + \, \operatorname{tr} V(\vec{x}_2) \, V^{\dagger}(\vec{y}_2) \right)$$

and so has even cumulants only.

• Obtaining non-zero c_1 {2} and c_3 {2} may require to account for (at least) one additional soft rescattering of (anti-) quarks besides their hard scattering from target shockwave.

- Neglecting initial state one-particle azimuthal anisotropy: complex v_2 {4}
- Initial state one-particle azimuthal anisotropy is present due to fluctuating valence quarks. This disconnected contribution to c_2 {4} results in real v_2 {4}
- MV model:

even amplitudes $\langle A_2 \rangle$ and $\langle A_4 \rangle$ of azimuthal anisotropy are approximately constant for $k_{\perp} > Q_s$ ($r_{\perp} < 1/Q_s$);

odd amplitudes $\langle A_1 \rangle$ and $\langle A_3 \rangle$ approach zero at $k_{\perp} \to \infty (r_{\perp} \to 0)$

 $\langle A_2(k_{\perp} \sim Q_s) \rangle \approx 20\% \quad \langle A_4(k_{\perp} \sim Q_s) \rangle \approx 4.7\%$

- Small-*x* evolution does not significantly modify anisotoropy
- Does $v_2\{m\}$ has a direct connection to TMD h_1^g ?!
- No multiplicity bias were imposed in our studies.

Fluctuations of A_2

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Amplitudes: large r

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- Fit breaks down at large *r* > 3*Q*_s: analytical derivation involves adhoc IR cut-offs introduced arbitrary
- Amplitudes approach common non-zero function at large *r*: expected universal scale invariance of fluctuations of azimuthal dependence of S-matrix

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