Event-by-event correlations between  $\Lambda/\bar{\Lambda}$  handedness and charge separation w.r.t. event plane in Au+Au collisions at

 $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 27 \text{ GeV from STAR}$ 

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## Abstract

Quantum chromodynamics (QCD) predicts topological charge fluctuations in vacuum, resulting 6 in chirality imbalance or parity violation in local domains. This would give rise to imbalanced 7 numbers of left- and right-handed (anti-)quarks, inherited by (anti-)lambda handedness  $\Delta n =$ 8  $\frac{N_{\rm L}-N_{\rm R}}{N_{\rm L}+N_{\rm R}}\neq 0$ , as well as charge separation along strong magnetic field, the so-called chiral magnetic effect (CME), characterized by the parity-odd azimuthal correlator with respect to the reaction 10 plane  $\Delta a_1 = \langle \pm \sin(\phi_{\pm} - \Psi) \rangle$ . While the  $\Delta a_1$  variance measured via  $\Delta \gamma = \langle \cos(\phi_1 + \phi_2 - 2\Psi) \rangle$ 11 has not led to affirmative conclusion on the is designed to test the existence of CME, covariance measurement between  $\Delta n$  and  $\Delta a_1$  may reveal new insights on the phenomenon and on initial 13 imbalance of chirality created in the medium. [1]. We report exploratory measurements of event-14 by-event correlations between  $\Delta n$  and  $\Delta a_1$  by the STAR experiment in Au+Au collisions at 27 15 GeV. 16

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 $_{17} \quad [1] \; \; {\rm L. \; E. \; Finch \; and \; S. \; J. \; Murray, Phys. \; Rev. \; C \; {\bf 96}, \; 044911 \; (2017).}$