

# EPOS

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**Today's lecture:**  
**short version of a detailed lecture (266 pages)**

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**Today only some selected (important) topics ...**

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# 1 Introduction

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## EPOS is an event generator to treat consistently

- **e+e- annihilation** (test string fragmentation)
- **ep scattering** (test parton evolution)
- **pp, pA, AA collisions**

### at high energies

(collision finished before particle production starts)

## **Basic structure of EPOS** (for modelling pp, pA, AA)

### □ **Primary interactions**

**Multiple scattering, instantaneously, in parallel**  
(Parton Based Gribov-Regge Theory)

- in pA and AA: multiple NN scattering
- but also in pp : Multiple parton scattering  
(or for each NN scattering in pA, AA)

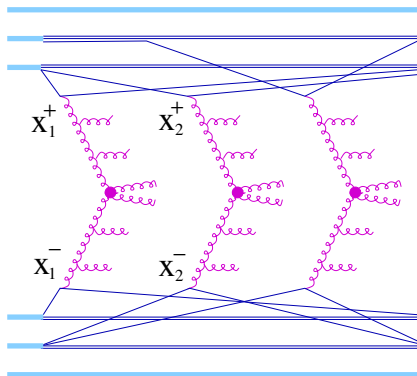
### □ **Secondary interactions**

**formation of “matter” which expands collectively, like a fluid, decays statistically**

## Some history of Gribov-Regge Theory (the heart of EPOS)

- 1960-1970: Gribov-Regge Theory of multiple scattering.  
pp = multiple exchange of “Pomerons”  
(with amplitudes based on Regge poles)
- 1980-1990: pQCD processes  
added into GRT scheme (Capella)
- 1990: M.Braun, V.A.Abramovskii, G.G.Leptoukh:  
problem with energy conservation  
(not done consistently)

- 2001: H.J.Drescher, M.Hladik, S.Ostapchenko, T. Pierog, and K. Werner, Phys. Rept. 350, p93:  
 Marriage pQCD + GRT, **with energy sharing (NEXUS)**



Multiple scatterings  
**(in parallel !!)**  
 in pp, pA, or AA

Single scattering

= hard elementary  
 scattering  
 including  
 IS + FS  
 radiation

$$\sum x_i^\pm + x_{\text{remn}}^\pm = 1$$



## □ ~ 2003 NEXUS split into

### □ QGSJET (S. Ostapchenko)

- Triple Pomeron contributions and more, to all orders

### □ EPOS (T. Pierog, KW)

- Saturation scale, secondary interactions
- two versions, EPOSLHC and EPOS3, going to be “fused”, with a rigorous (selfconsistent) treatment of new key features (HF, saturation & factorization)  
=> new public version ( $\beta$  version exists since few days ...)

Two of the key models used for airshower simulations

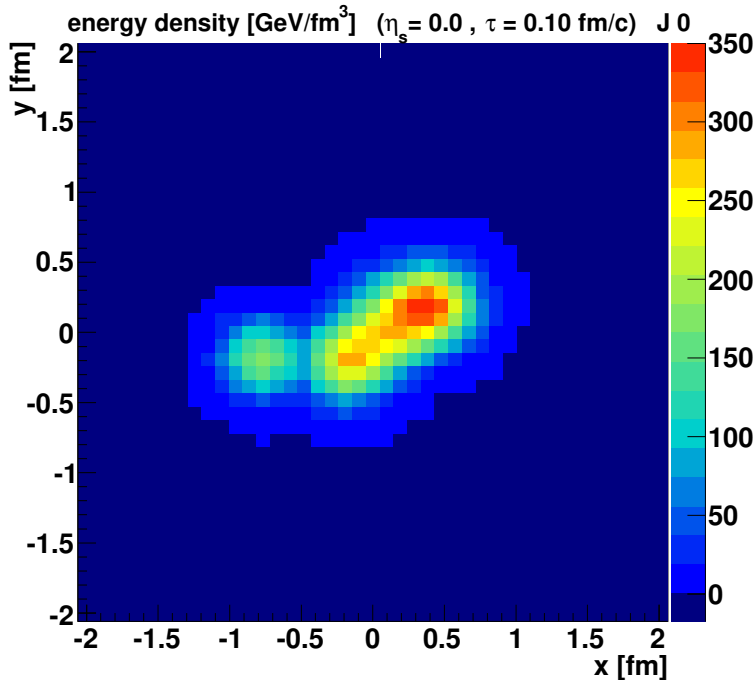
## **Secondary interactions:**

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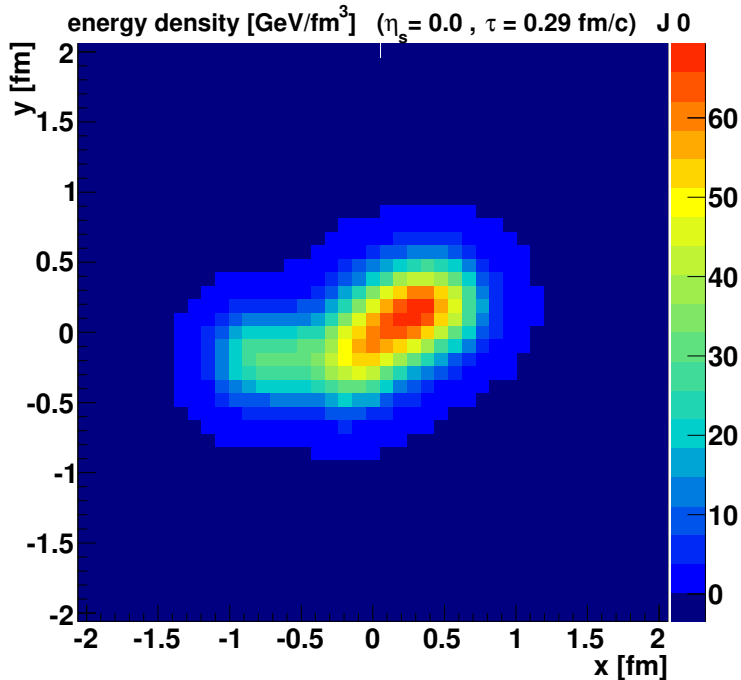
**space-time evolution in pp**

**leading to collective flow**

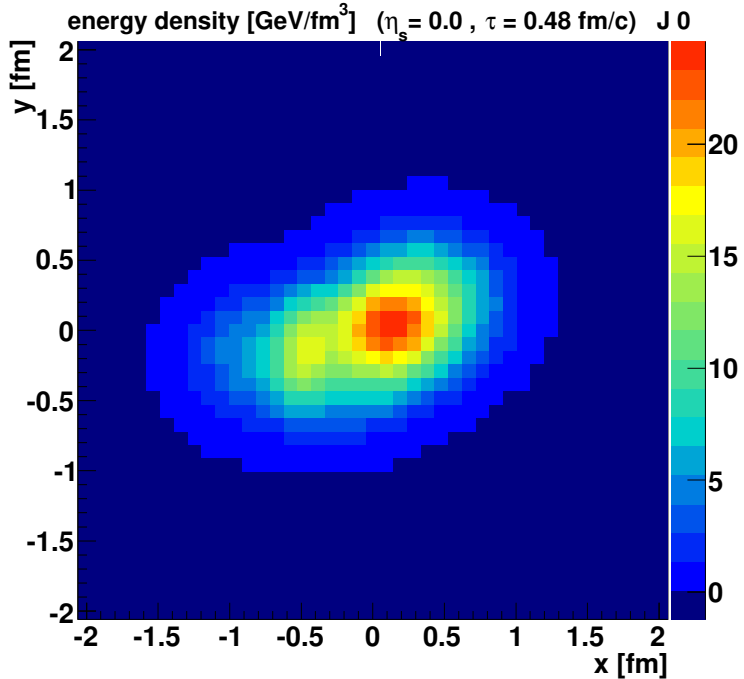
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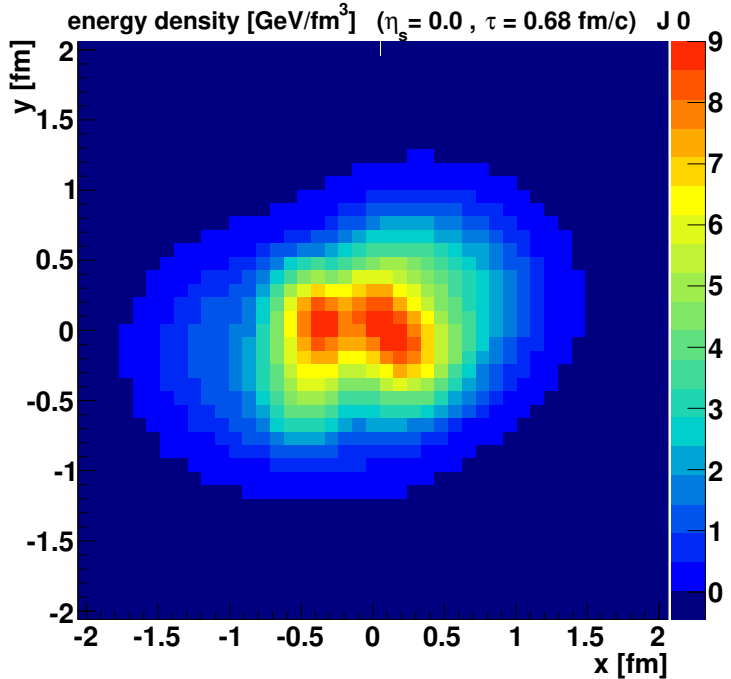
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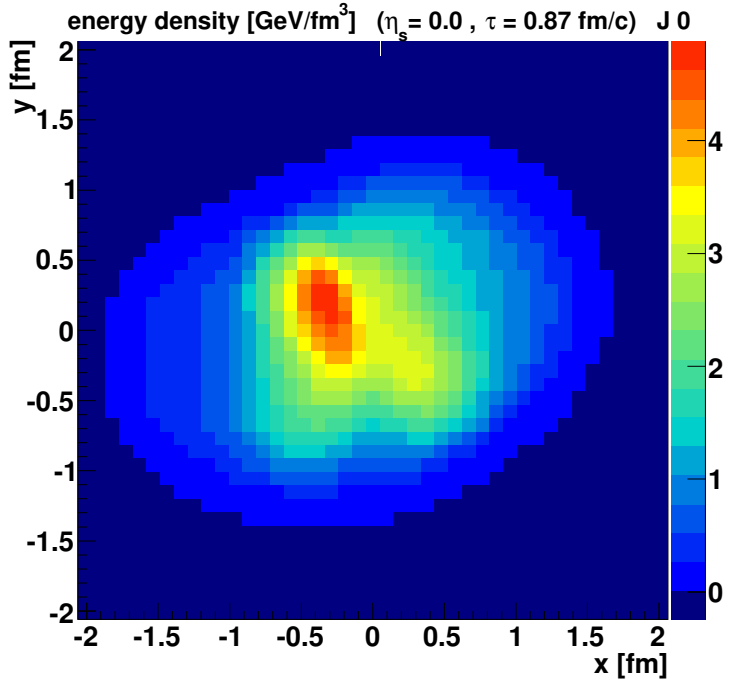
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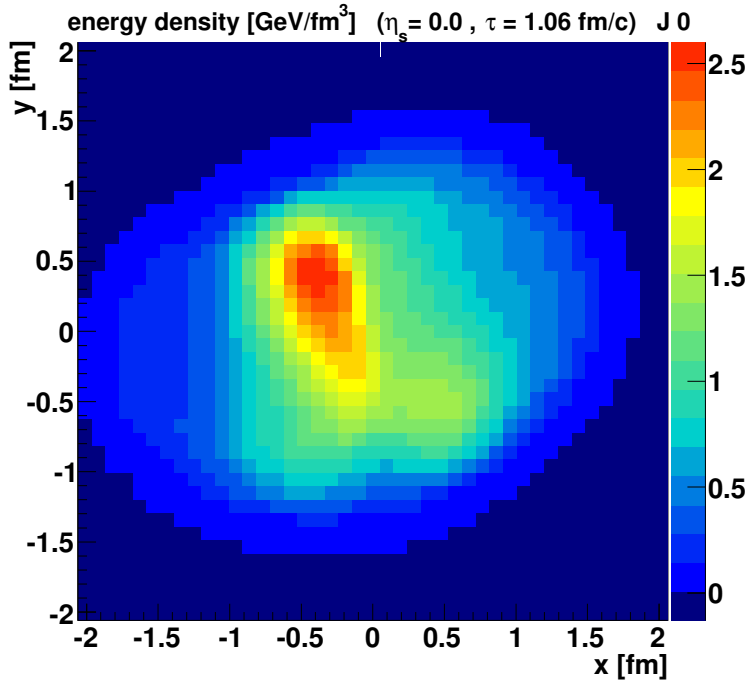
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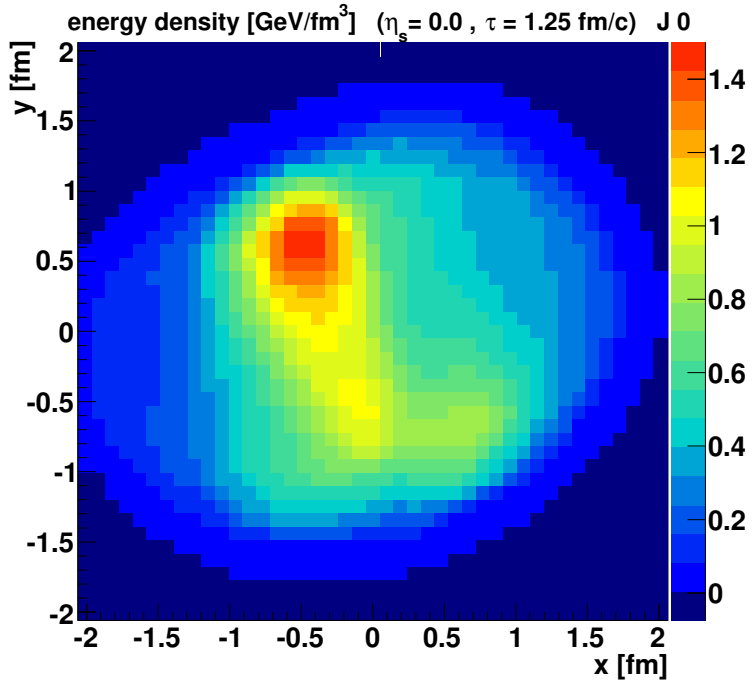


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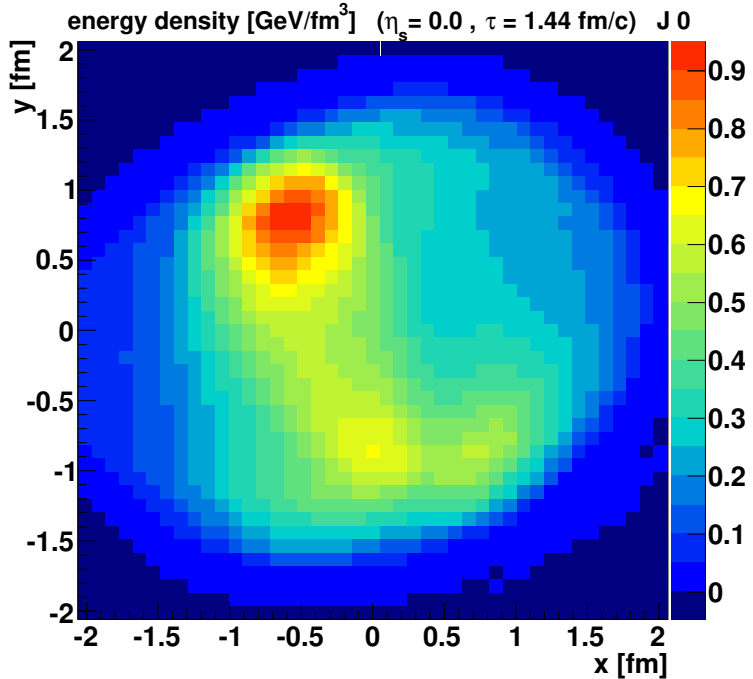




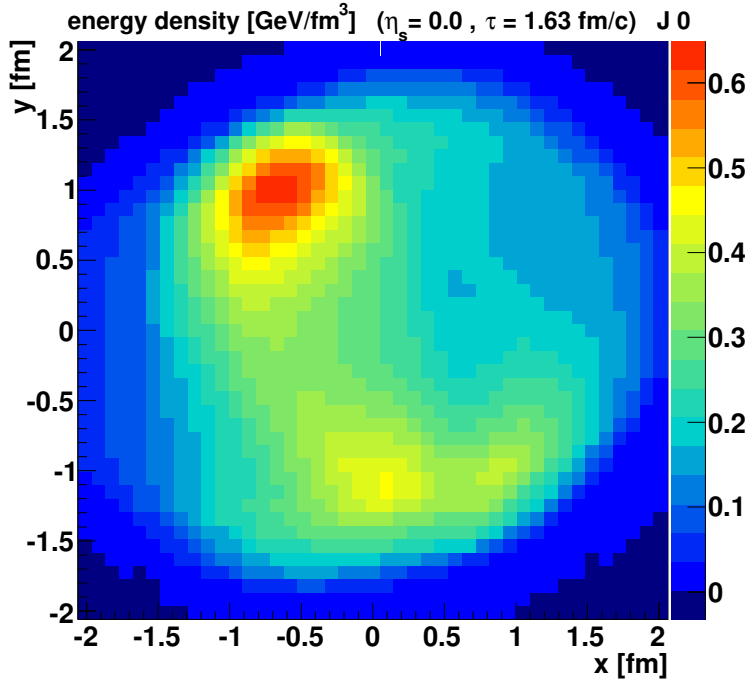
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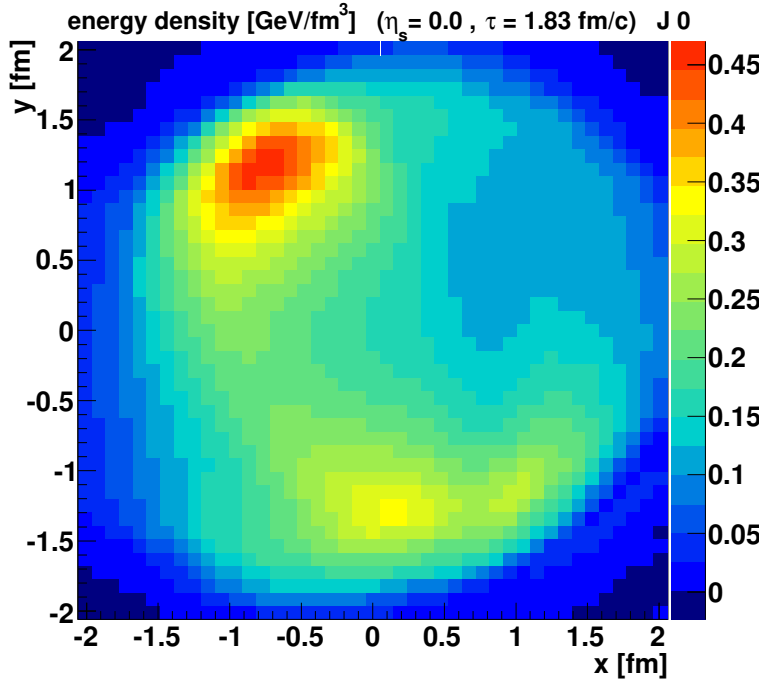
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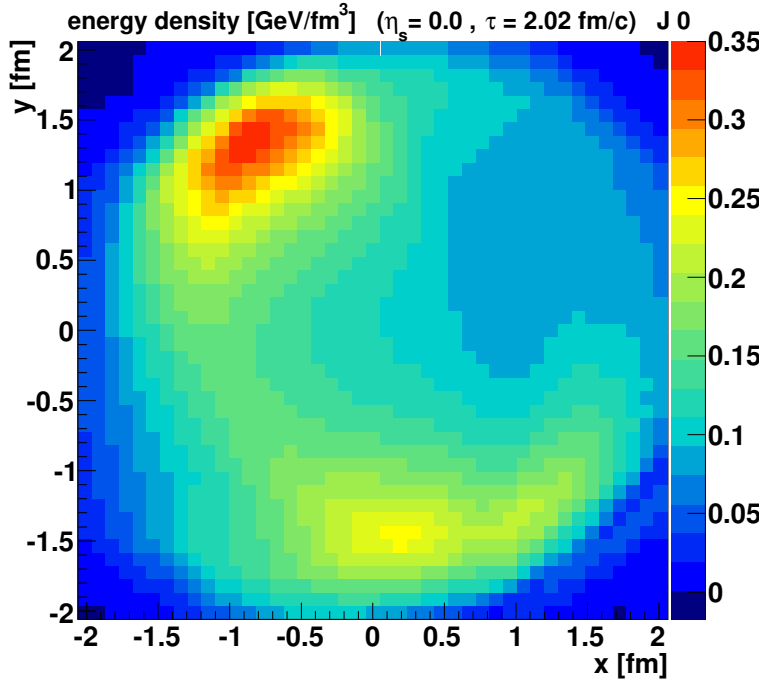
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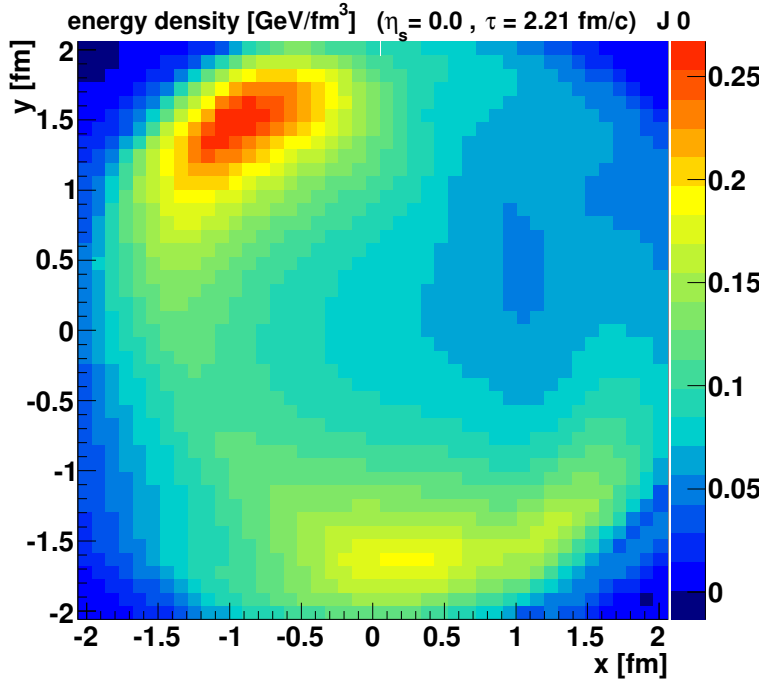
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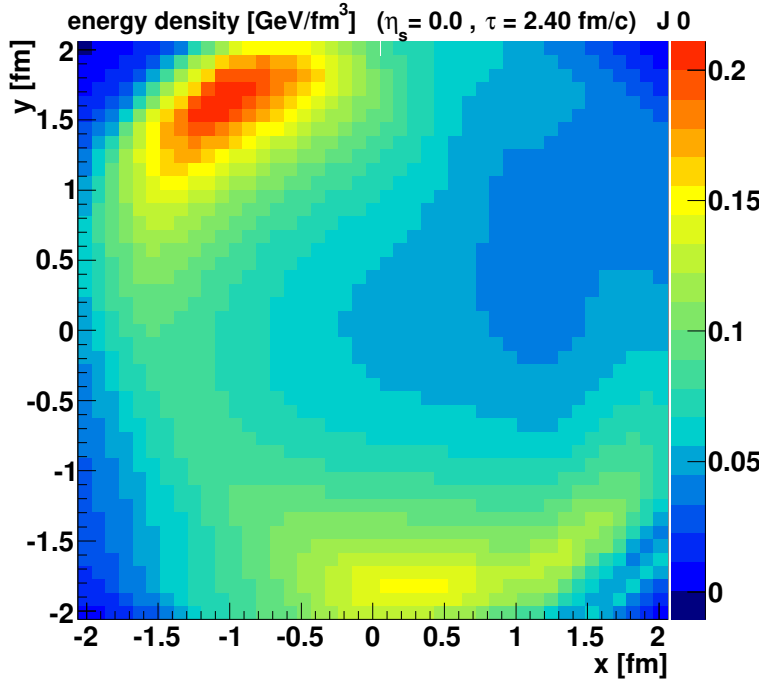
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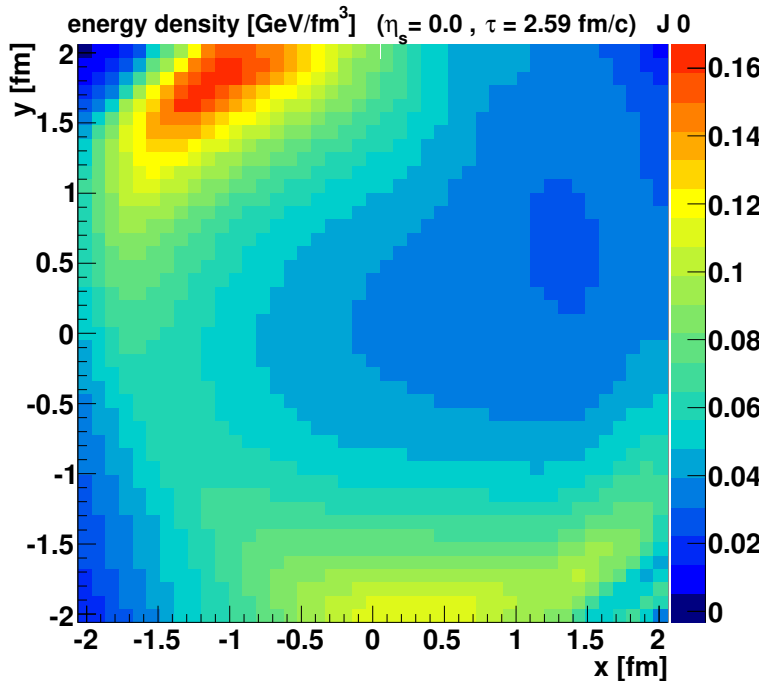
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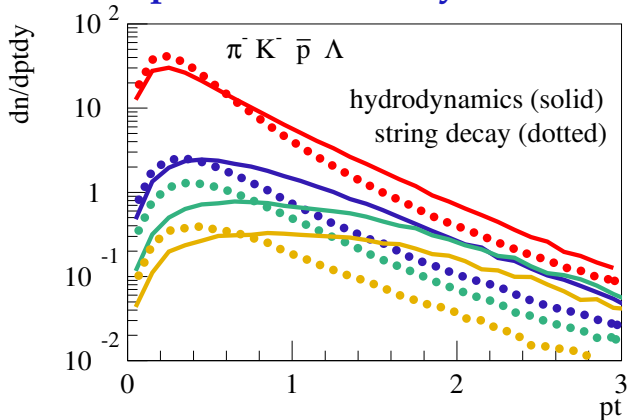
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# Radial flow visible in particle distributions

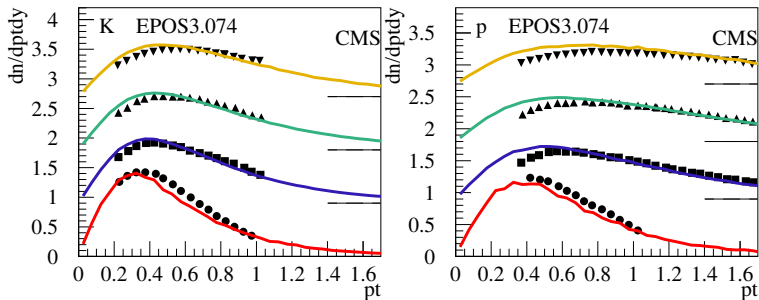
## Particle spectra affected by radial flow



=> mass ordering of  $\langle p_t \rangle$ ,      lambda/K increase

## pPb at 5TeV

CMS,EPJC 74 (2014) 2847, arXiv:1307.3442



**Strong variation of shape with multiplicity**

**for kaon and even more for proton  $pT$  spectra**

**(EPOS curves: flow changes shapes)**

**Anisotropic radial flow  
visible in dihadron-correlations**

$$R = \frac{1}{N_{\text{trigg}}} \frac{dn}{d\Delta\phi\Delta\eta}$$

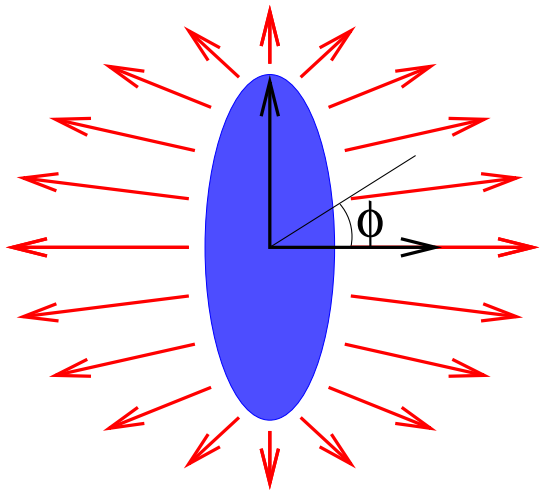
**Anisotropic flow due to initial  
azimuthal anisotropies**

## Initial “elliptical” matter distribution:

Preferred expansion  
along  $\phi = 0$   
and  $\phi = \pi$

$\eta_s$ -invariance  
same form at any  $\eta_s$

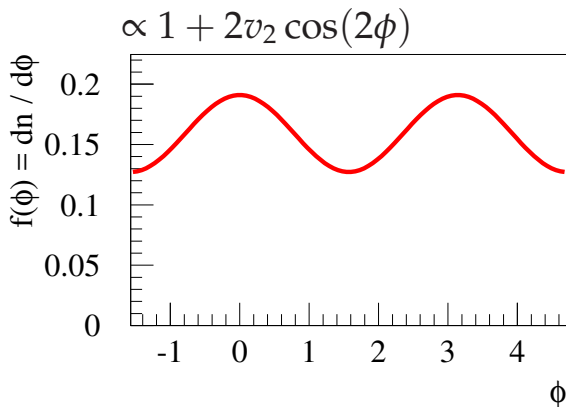
$$\eta_s = \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{t+z}{t-z}$$



Particle  
distribution:

Preferred  
directions

$\phi = 0$  and  $\phi = \pi$



Dihadrons:

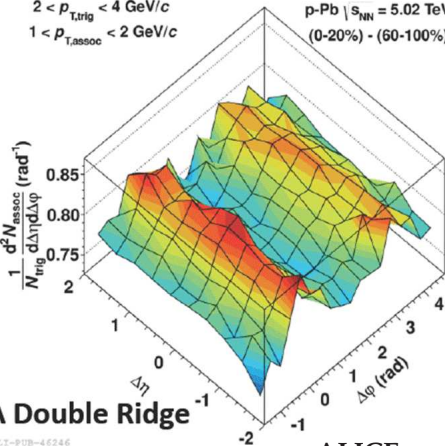
preferred  $\Delta\phi = 0$  and  $\Delta\phi = \pi$  (even for big  $\Delta\eta$ )

## Ridges (in dihadron correlation functions) seen in pPb (and even pp)

Central - peripheral (to remove jets) Phys. Lett. B 726 (2013) 164-177

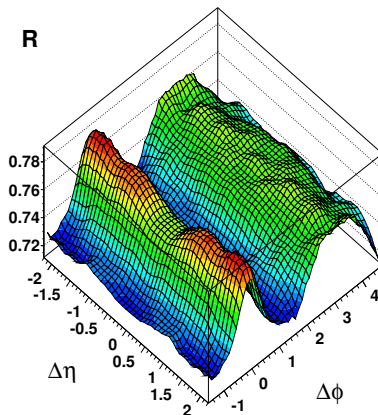
$2 < p_{T, \text{trig}} < 4 \text{ GeV}/c$   
 $1 < p_{T, \text{assoc}} < 2 \text{ GeV}/c$

p-Pb |  $s_{NN} = 5.02 \text{ TeV}$   
 (0-20%) - (60-100%)



$p_T^{\text{assoc}} \text{ 1.0-2.0 GeV}/c$        $p_T^{\text{trig}} \text{ 2.0-4.0 GeV}/c$

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## **Heavy ion approach**

**= primary (multiple) scattering  
+ subsequent fluid evolution**

**becomes interesting for pp and pA**

## 2 Glauber and Gribov-Regge approach

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**concerning primary interactions**

providing initial conditions  
for secondary interactions



## Glauber approach

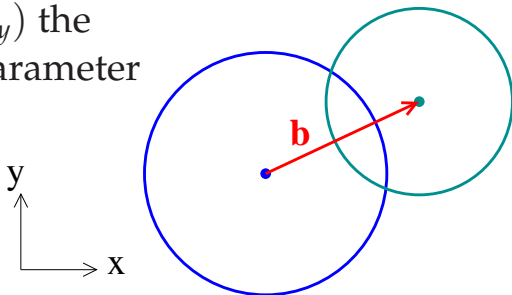
### Nucleus-nucleus collision $A + B$ :

- Sequence of independent binary nucleon-nucleon collisions
- Nucleons travel on straight-line trajectories
- The inelastic nucleon-nucleon cross-section  $\sigma_{NN}$  is independent of the number of NN collisions

**Monte Carlo version:** Two nucleons collide if their transverse distance is less than  $\sqrt{\sigma_{NN}/\pi}$  .

## Analytical formulas for A + B scattering:

- Be  $\rho_A$  and  $\rho_B$  the (normalized nuclear densities), and
- $b = (b_x, b_y)$  the impact parameter

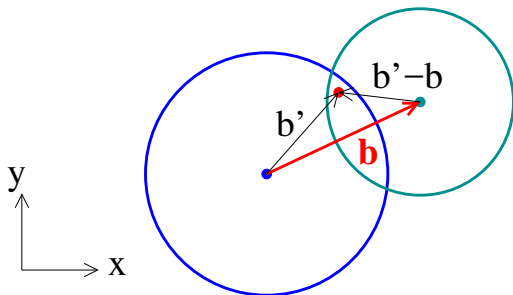


Define integral over nuclear density for each nucleus:

$$T_{A/B}(b') = \int \rho_{A/B}(b', z) dz,$$

and the “thickness function”

$$T_{AB}(b) = \int T_A(b') T_B(b' - b) d^2 b'$$



Probability of interaction (for  $\rho_A$  and  $\rho_B$  normalized to 1)

$$P = T_{AB}(b) \sigma_{NN}$$

Having  $AB$  possible pairs: probability of  $n$  interactions :

$$P_n = \binom{AB}{n} P^n (1 - P)^{AB-n}$$

Probability of at least one interaction (given  $b$ ):

$$\sum_{n=1}^{AB} P_n = 1 - P_0 = 1 - (1 - P)^{AB}$$

And finally the  $AB$  cross section (called optical limit):

$$\sigma^{AB} = \int \{1 - (1 - P)^{AB}\} d^2b,$$

so the **probability of an interaction** is

$$\frac{d\sigma^{AB}}{d^2b} = 1 - \left\{ (1 - T_{AB}(b) \sigma_{NN})^{AB} \right\}.$$

**Glauber MC formula** (with  $\sigma_{NN} = \int f(b) d^2b$ ):

$$\frac{d\sigma^{AB}}{d^2b} = 1 - \left\{ \int \prod_{i=1}^A d^2b_i^A T_A(b_i^A) \prod_{j=1}^B d^2b_j^B T_B(b_j^B) \prod_{k=1}^{AB} (1 - f) \right\}.$$

**In the MC version, one extracts  $N_{\text{coll}}$ ,  $N_{\text{particip}}$ , and one usually employs a “wounded nucleon approach”**

**Does this make sense?**

**Theoretical justification?**

**... based on relativistic quantum mechanical  
scattering theory, compatible with QCD**

**=> Gribov-Regge approach**

# Gribov-Regge approach and cut diagrams

details see <https://ejc2018.sciencesconf.org/data/pages/joliot.20.pdf>  
(266 page lecture for diploma and PhD students)

The scattering operator  $\hat{S}$  is defined via

$$|\psi(t = +\infty)\rangle = \hat{S} |\psi(t = -\infty)\rangle$$

Unitarity relation  $\hat{S}^\dagger \hat{S} = 1$  gives (considering a discrete Hilbert space)

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= \langle i | \hat{S}^\dagger \hat{S} | i \rangle \\ &= \sum_f \langle i | \hat{S}^\dagger | f \rangle \langle f | \hat{S} | i \rangle \\ &= \sum_f \langle f | \hat{S} | i \rangle^* \langle f | \hat{S} | i \rangle \\ &= \sum_f S_{fi}^* S_{fi} \end{aligned}$$

Using  $S_{fi} = \delta_{fi} + i(2\pi)^4 \delta(p_f - p_i) T_{fi}$  and the Schwarz reflection principle ( $T_{ii}(s^*, t) = T_{ii}(s, t)^*$ ) and

$$\text{disc } T = T_{ii}(s + i\epsilon, t) - T_{ii}(s - i\epsilon, t)$$

one gets

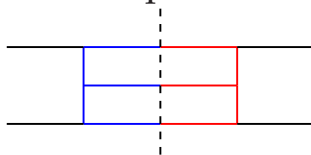
$$\frac{1}{i} \text{disc } T = (2\pi)^4 \delta(p_f - p_i) \sum_f |T_{fi}|^2 = 2s \sigma_{\text{tot}}$$

Interpretation:  $\frac{1}{i} \text{disc } T$  can be seen as a so-called “cut diagram”, with modified Feynman rules, the “intermediate particles” are on mass shell.



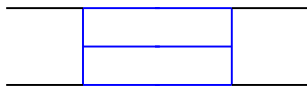
## Modified Feynman rules :

- Draw a dashed line from top to bottom

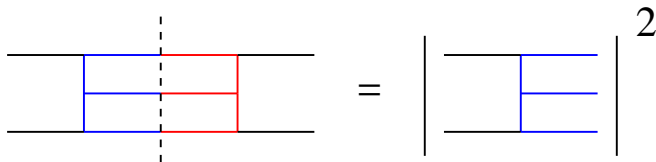


- Use “normal” Feynman rules to the left
- Use the complex conjugate expressions to the right
- For lines crossing the cut: Replace propagators by mass shell conditions  $2\pi\theta(p^0)\delta(p^2 - m^2)$

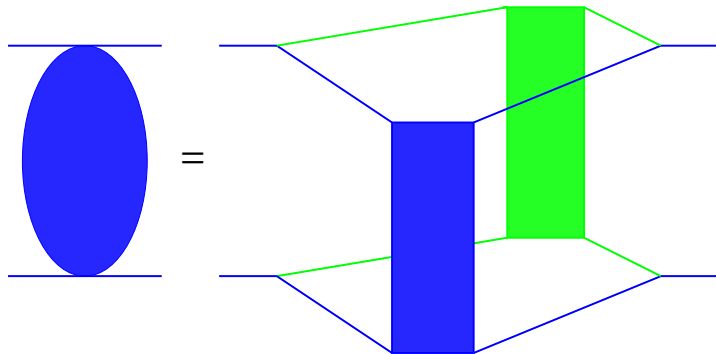
Cutting a diagram representing **elastic** scattering



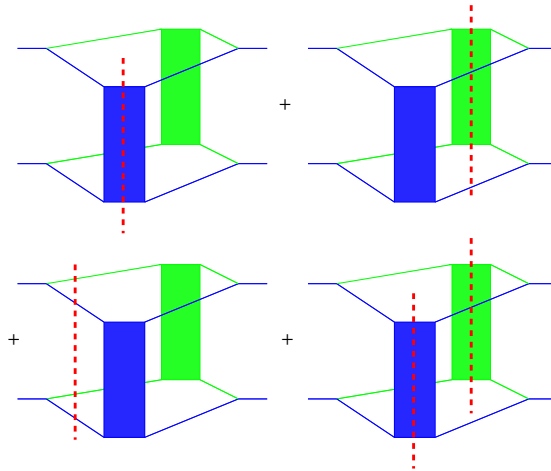
corresponds to **inelastic** scattering



Cutting diagrams is useful in case of substructures:



**Precisely the multiple scattering structure  
in EPOS** (QCD is hidden in the colored squares)

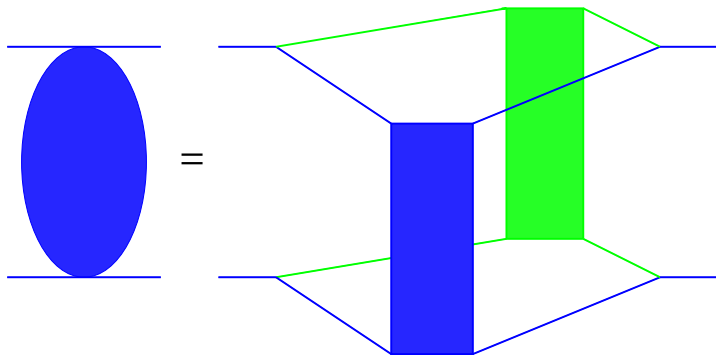


Cut diagram

= sum of products of cut/uncut subdiagrams

**=> Gribov-Regge approach of multiple scattering**

What are the blocks, called Pomerons?



- Pomeron = parton ladders
- cut Pomerons => open ladder => kinky string

## Gribov Regge for A+B scattering

In the GR framework, defining

$$\int dT_{AB} := \int \prod_{i=1}^A d^2 b_i^A T_A(b_i^A) \prod_{j=1}^B d^2 b_j^B T_B(b_j^B),$$

we obtain (**neglecting energy sharing**):

$$\frac{d\sigma^{AB}}{d^2 b} = \int dT_{AB} \underbrace{\sum_{m_1} \dots \sum_{m_{AB}}}_{\sum m_i \neq 0} \prod_{k=1}^{AB} \frac{W(b_k)^{m_k}}{m_k!} e^{-W(b_k)}$$

Relaxing the condition  $\sum m_i \neq 0$  gives unity.

So

$$\frac{\sigma^{AB}}{d^2b} = 1 - \int dT_{AB} \left\{ \prod_{k=1}^{AB} e^{-W(b_k)} \right\}$$

Defining  $f = 1 - e^{-W(b_k)}$ , i.e. the probability of an interaction in pp, with  $\sigma_{NN} = \int f(b) d^2b$ ,

**we get the Gribov-Regge result**

$$\frac{\sigma^{AB}}{d^2b} = 1 - \left\{ \int dT_{AB} \prod_{k=1}^{AB} (1 - f) \right\}$$

**which corresponds to “Glauber Monte Carlo”.**

So everything OK?

Even if the cross section formulas in GR and GMC are the same, **particle production is done in a fundamentally different fashion**

□ In Glauber

- one has (usually) a hard component ( $\sim N_{\text{coll}}$ )
- and a soft one ( $\sim N_{\text{part}}$ , wounded nucleons)

□ In GR (EPOS)

- remnants contribute only at large rapidities,
- otherwise everything is coming from “cut Pomerons” associated to  $NN$  scatterings.



## Factorization

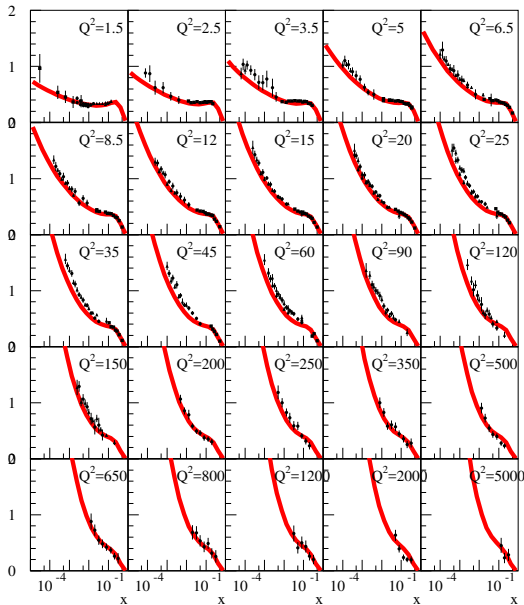
Factorization says that the pp inclusive cross section can be written as

$$\sum_{kl} \int dx dx' dp_{\perp}^2 f_k(x, M_F^2) f_l(x', M_F^2) \frac{d\sigma_{\text{Born}}^{kl}}{dp_{\perp}^2}(xx's, p_{\perp}^2),$$

with “parton distribution functions” obtained from DIS ( $ep$  scattering).

Not obvious in the EPOS GR framework, but one can prove that in the basic approach **factorization holds** (Phys. Rept. 350 (2001) p93)

## Electron-proton scattering $F_2$ vs $x$



We can compute

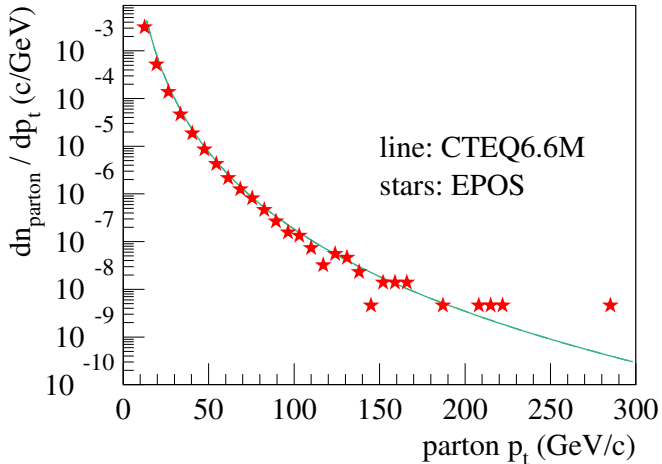
$$F_2 = \sum_k e_k^2 x f_k(x, Q^2)$$

with

$$x = x_B = \frac{Q^2}{2pq}$$

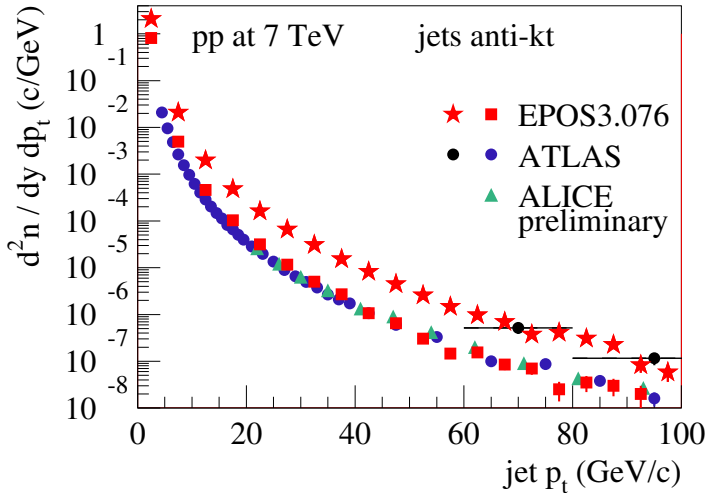
in the EPOS framework

## Compare with parton model calculation using CTEQ PDFs for pp at 7 TeV



**In EPOS we do not employ explicitly factorization!**

## Compare with data: jet production in pp at 7 TeV



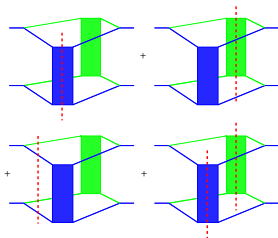
## Why does factorization work ?

Easy to see in the GR picture without energy conservation, using simple assumptions.

Consider multiple scattering amplitude

$$iT = \prod iT_P$$

cross section:  
sum over all  
cuts.

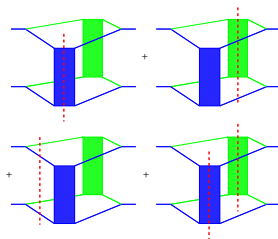


For each cut Pom:

$$\frac{1}{i} \text{disc} T_P = 2 \text{Im} T_P \equiv G$$

For each uncut one:

$$\begin{aligned} & iT_P + \{iT_P\}^* \\ &= i(i \text{Im} T_P) + \{i(i \text{Im} T_P)\}^* \\ &= -2 \text{Im} T_P \equiv -G \end{aligned}$$



**Inclusive particle production cross section  $\sigma_{\text{incl}}$ :** Assume that each cut Pomeron produces  $N$  particles, an uncut one nothing.

Contribution to the inclusive cross section for  $n$  Pomerons ( $k$  refers to the cut Pomerons):

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{\text{incl}}^{(n)} &\propto \sum_{k=0}^n k N G^k (-G)^{n-k} \binom{n}{k} \\ &\propto \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^{n-k} k \times \binom{n}{k}\end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^{n-k} k \times \binom{n}{k}:$$

For  $n = 2$ :

$$+0 \times 1 - 1 \times 2 + 2 \times 1 = 0$$

**No contribution !**

For  $n = 3$ :

$$-0 \times 1 + 1 \times 3 - 2 \times 3 + 3 \times 1 = 0$$

**No contribution either !**

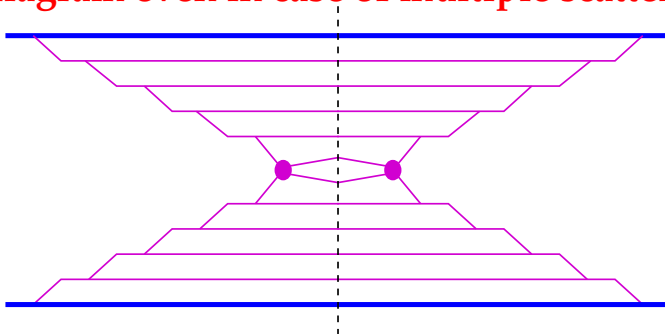


Actually, for any  $n > 1$  :

$$\sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^{n-k} k \times \binom{n}{k} = 0$$

- **Almost all of the diagrams (i.e.  $n=2, n=3, \dots$ ) do not contribute at all to the inclusive cross section**
- **Enormous amount of cancellations (interference), only  $n=1$  contributes**
- **AGK cancellations**  
(Abramovskii, Gribov and Kancheli cancellation (1973))

**simple diagram even in case of multiple scattering**



**corresponds to factorization:**

$$\sigma_{\text{incl}} = f \otimes \sigma_{\text{elem}} \otimes f$$

The  $F_2$  discussed earlier: Half of this diagram

Since it is known that **factorization** works, the ansatz

$$\sigma_{\text{incl}} = f \otimes \sigma_{\text{elem}} \otimes f$$

may be used as starting point, with  $f$  taken from DIS (electron-proton).

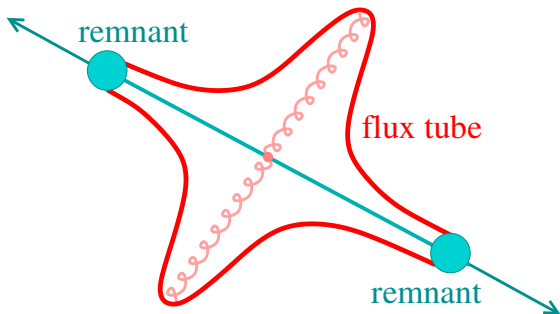
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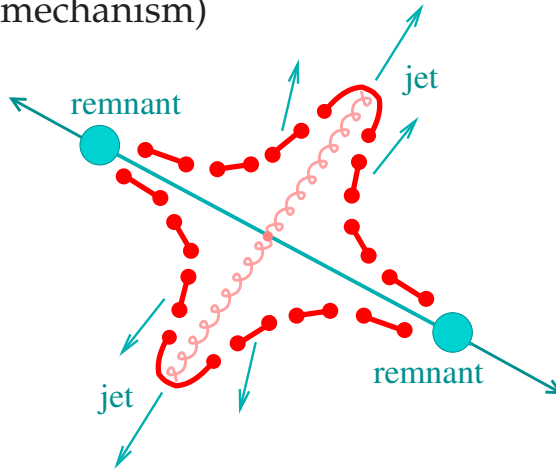
**Pomerons =>**

Parton ladders = color flux tubes = **kinky strings**



(here no IS radiation, only hard process producing two gluons)

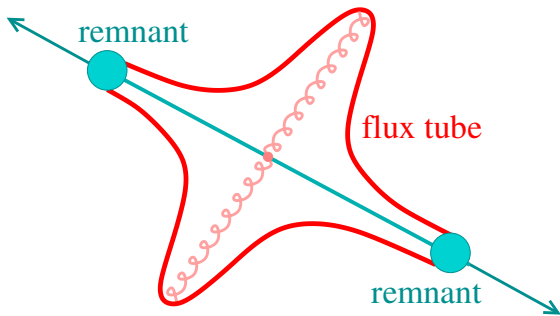
which expand and break  
via the production of quark-antiquark pairs  
(Schwinger mechanism)



String segment = hadron. Close to “kink”: jets

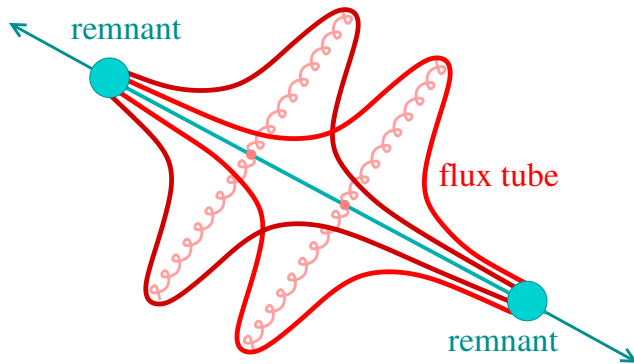
**Consider heavy ion collisions  
or high energy & high multiplicity pp events:**

again: single scattering => 2 color flux tubes

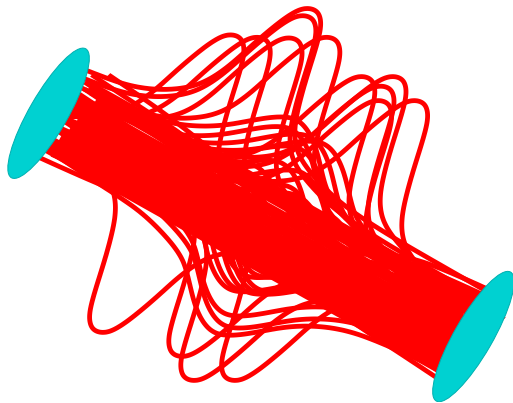




... two scatterings => 4 color flux tubes



... many scatterings (AA) => many color flux tubes



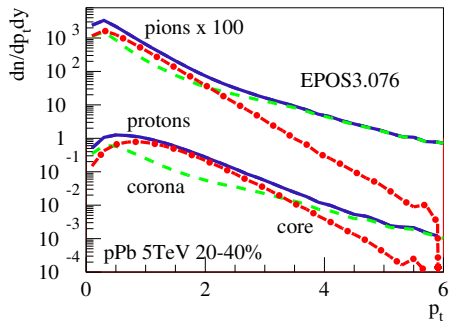
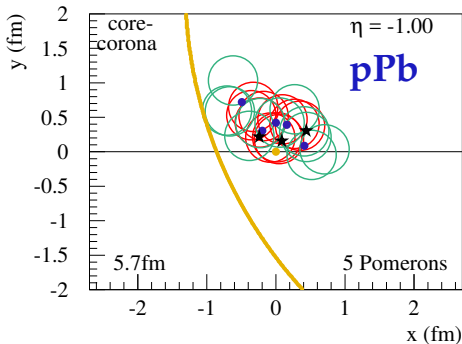
=> matter + escaping pieces (jets)

## Core-corona procedure (for pp, pA, AA):

Pomeron => parton ladder => flux tube => string segments

**High  $p_t$  segments escape => corona**  
**The others => core**

(core = initial condition for hydro depending on the local string density)



## Hydrodynamic evolution of the core

The evolution of the system for  $\tau \geq \tau_0$  treated **macroscopicly**, solving the equations of **relativistic hydrodynamics**:

Three equations concerning conserved currents:

$$\partial_\nu N_q^\nu = 0$$

with

$$N_q^\nu = n_q u^\nu$$

and  $n_q$  ( $q = u, d, s$ ) representing (net) quark densities,  $u^\nu$  is the velocity four vector.

**Four equations concerning energy-momentum conservation:**

$$\partial_\nu T^{\mu\nu} = 0.$$

The energy-momentum tensor  $T^{\mu\nu}$  is

- the flux of the  $\mu$ th component of the momentum vector
  
- across a surface with constant  $\nu$  coordinate (using four-vectors)

**$T^{00}$ : Energy density  $dE/dx^1 dx^2 dx^3$  ( $x^0$  const)**

**$T^{01}$ : Energy flux  $dE/dx^0 dx^2 dx^3$  ( $x^1$  const)**

**$T^{i0}$ : Momentum density**

**$T^{ij}$ : Momentum flux**

The equation

$$\partial_\nu T^{\mu\nu} = 0$$

is very general, no need for thermal equilibrium, no need for particles.

The energy-momentum tensor is

the **conserved Noether current**

associated with **space-time translations**.

- $\partial_\nu T^{\mu\nu}$  represents 4 equations, so we should express  $T$  in terms of 4 quantities (unknowns)
- and/or find additional equations
- which means additional assumptions



## First approach: **Ideal Fluid**

In the local rest frame of a fluid cell:

- $T^{00} = \varepsilon$  (energy density in LRF)
- $T^{0i} = 0$  (no energy flow)
- $T^{0i} = 0$  (no momentum in LRF)
- $T^{ij} = \delta_{ij}p$  ( $p =$  isotropic pressure)

In arbitrary frame:

$$T^{\mu\nu} = (\varepsilon + p)u^\mu u^\nu - pg^{\mu\nu}$$

+ Equation of state  $p = p(\varepsilon)$  of QGP from lQCD

=> 4 equations for 4 unknowns ( $\varepsilon$ , velocity)

## **Beyond ideal (viscous hydro):**

The energy-momentum tensor may be expressed via a systematic expansion in terms of gradients (of  $\ln \varepsilon$  and  $u$ ):

$$T^{\mu\nu} = T_{(0)}^{\mu\nu} + T_{(1)}^{\mu\nu} + T_{(2)}^{\mu\nu} + \dots,$$

with the “equilibrium term”  $T_{(0)}^{\mu\nu}$

## **Mueller-Israel-Steward (MIS) approach**

(second order + shear stress tensor and bulk pressure dynamical quantities, governed by relaxation equations)

## Freeze out

happens at a hypersurface  $\Sigma$  (constant energy density).

Cooper-Frye hadronization amounts to calculating

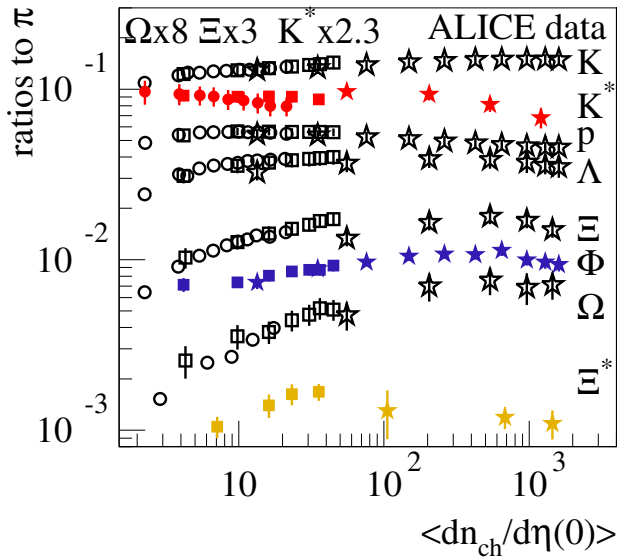
$$E \frac{dn}{d^3p} = \int d\Sigma_\mu p^\mu f(up),$$

$f$  is the Bose-Einstein or Fermi-Dirac distribution  
(in case of ideal hydro).

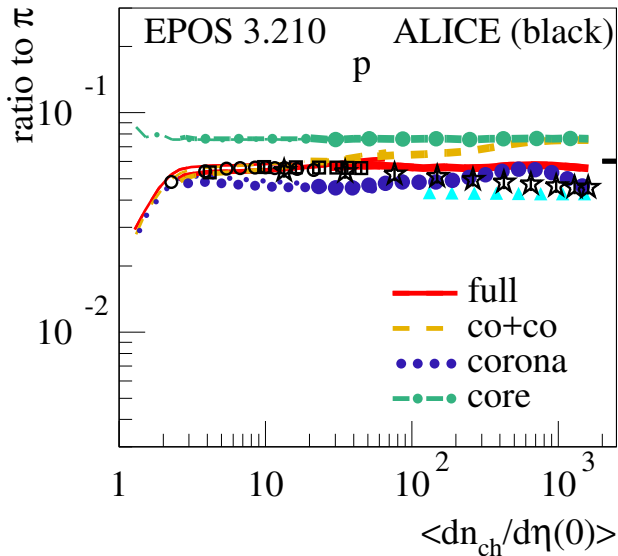
## How does hydro evolution affect results?

- **Mass dependent broadening of pt spectra (flow)**
- **Particular dihadron correlations**
- **Statistical particle production  
(compared to string decay)**

# Particle ratios to pions vs $\left\langle \frac{dn_{ch}}{d\eta}(0) \right\rangle$



## Proton to pion ratio (sofar GC)



**core hadronization:**  
 $T = 164 \text{ MeV}, \mu_B = 0$

**statistical model fit**  
 (horizontal black line)

A. Andronic et al.,  
 arXiv:1611.01347

$T = 156.5 \text{ MeV}, \mu_B = 0.7 \text{ MeV}$

thick lines = pp (7TeV)

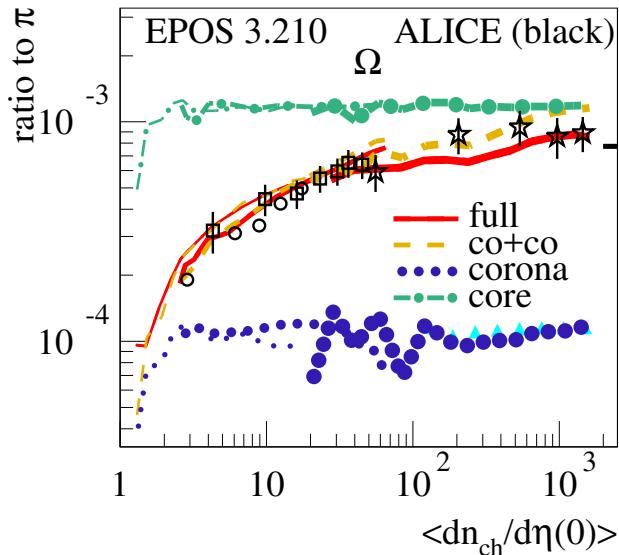
thin lines = pPb (5TeV)

circles = pp (7TeV)

squares = pPb (5TeV)

stars = PbPb (2.76TeV)

## Omega to pion ratio (GC)

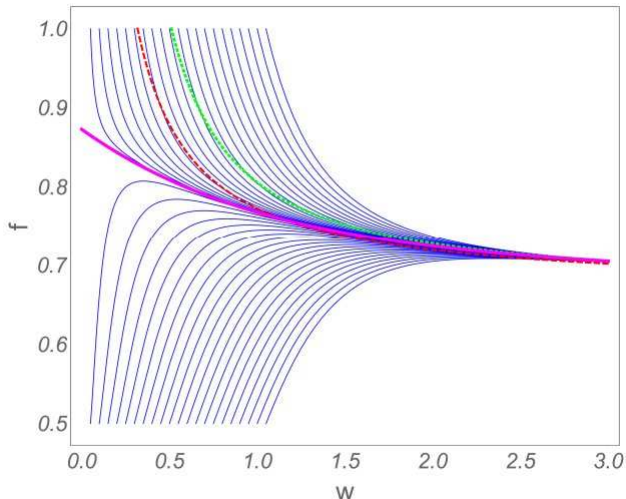




## New trends on the foundations of hydrodynamics

- **A systematic way get the equations of relativistic hydrodynamics is via a formal gradient expansion of  $T^{\mu\nu}$  (in terms of gradients (of  $\ln \varepsilon$  and  $u$ ))**
- **The hydrodynamic gradient expansion has (maybe) a vanishing radius of convergence**
- **There are tools to deal with that. Need to go beyond perturbative expansions.**

In hydro toy models (Heller, Spalinski, PRL 115, 072501 (2015)) one can show that the **hydrodynamical expansion** (gradient expansion) **is divergent**, but numerically one gets an **attractor**



well defined solutions even at small times, contrary to the perturbative expansion.

=> well defined solutions “far off equilibrium”

Same results via “resummation”

Picture from Heller, M. Spalinski.

## What do these “resummation” results tell us?

- Hydro may be applicable even far off equilibrium  
(in particular relevant for small systems)
- => True solution : Hydrodynamic attractor  
Accessible (in principle) via resummation
- Frequently asked question:  
“Why do small systems thermalize so quickly?”  
Maybe they simply don't ...

## 4 Summary

- Multiple NN scattering in pA and AA: Essentially geometry => Glauber approach. Same cross section formula in Gribov-Regge, using Pomerons, but completely different particle production scheme
- In the EPOS GR approach, multiple scattering naturally extends to pp => multiple cut Pomerons => overlapping strings => matter formation
- Attractive option: Implementing hydrodynamic expansion (provides observed flow effects) + statistical hadronization