

# Overview of Event-by-Event Fluctuations

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# Outline

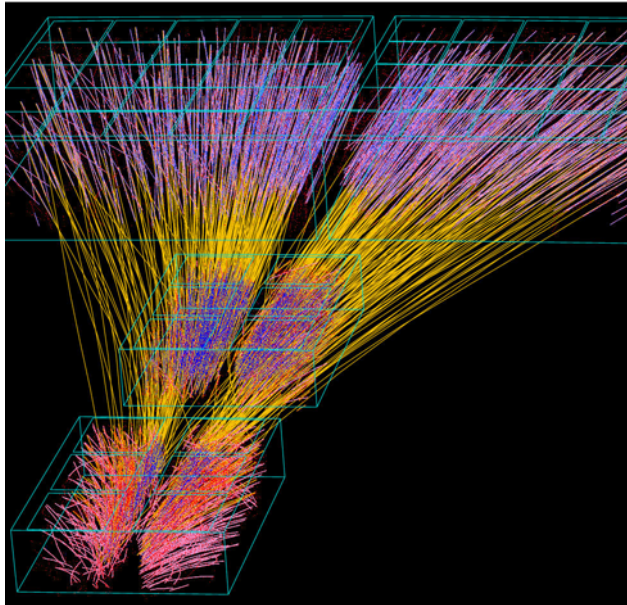
- Early days of e-b-e physics
- Extensive & intensive quantities
- Fluctuation measures
- $p_T$  fluctuations
- Thermodynamic fluctuations
- Electric charge fluctuations
- Balance functions
- Multiplicity fluctuation
- Elliptic flow fluctuations
- Conclusions & outlook

# Large acceptance detectors



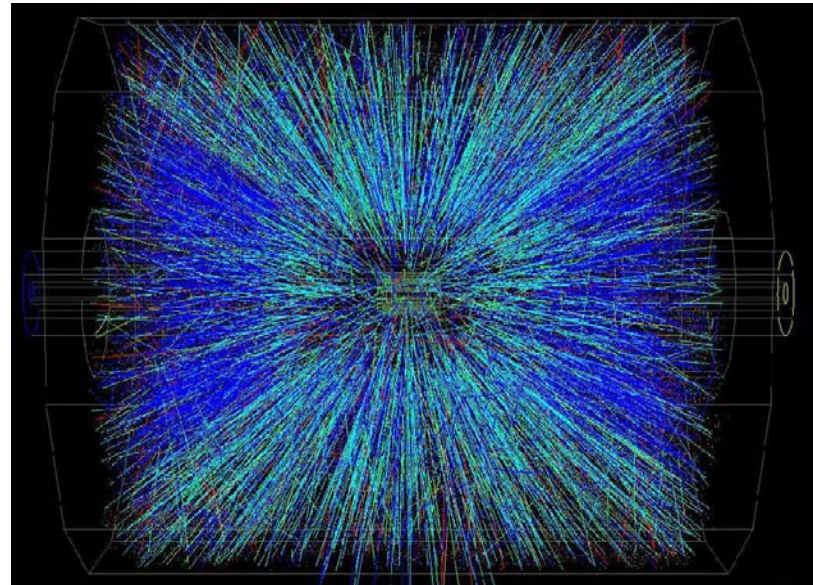
experiment @ SPS

Pb–Pb @ 158 A GeV



STAR experiment @ RHIC

Au–Au @  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV



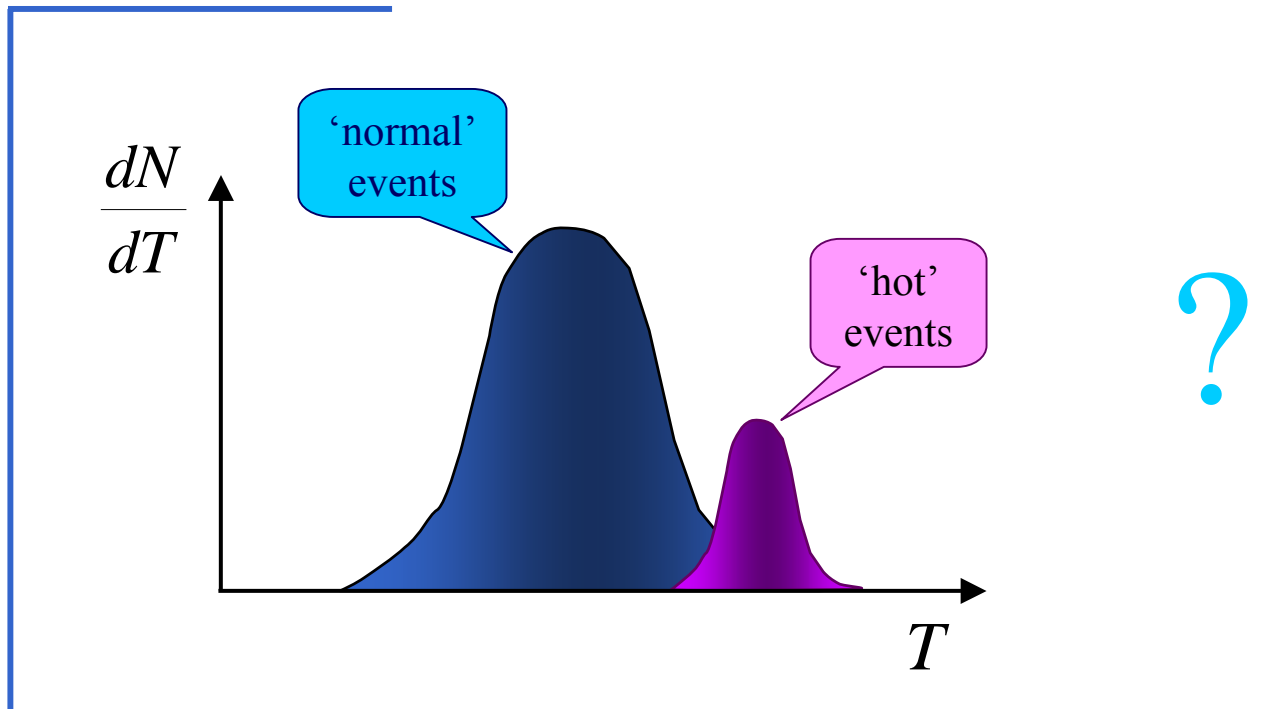
Not single particles but *events* are seen

# Early Days Motivation

Event-by-event analysis allows to select 'interesting' events

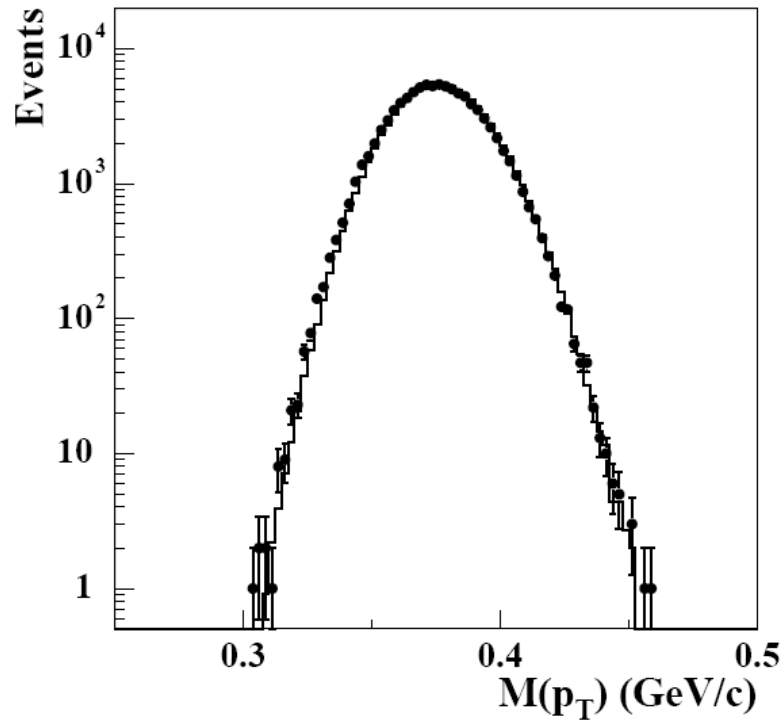
'interesting': QGP, high  $T$ , high multiplicity, etc.

R. Stock ~ '90



# 'Interesting' events not seen

central Pb-Pb @ 158 AGeV



boring  
Gauß?

$$M(p_T) \equiv \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N p_T^i$$

H. Appelshauser et al. [NA49 Collaboration], Phys. Lett. **B459**, 679 (1999)

# Intensive vs. extensive quantities

	<b>Extensive</b>	<b>Intensive</b>
<b>Thermodynamics</b>	$\sim N, V$ energy, entropy, etc.	$\text{const}(N, V)$ temperature, density, etc.
<b>Heavy-Ion Collisions</b>	$\sim N_{\text{part}}$ multiplicity, energy, etc.	$\text{const}(N_{\text{part}})$ inclusive average $p_T$ , slope of $p_T$ distribution, etc.

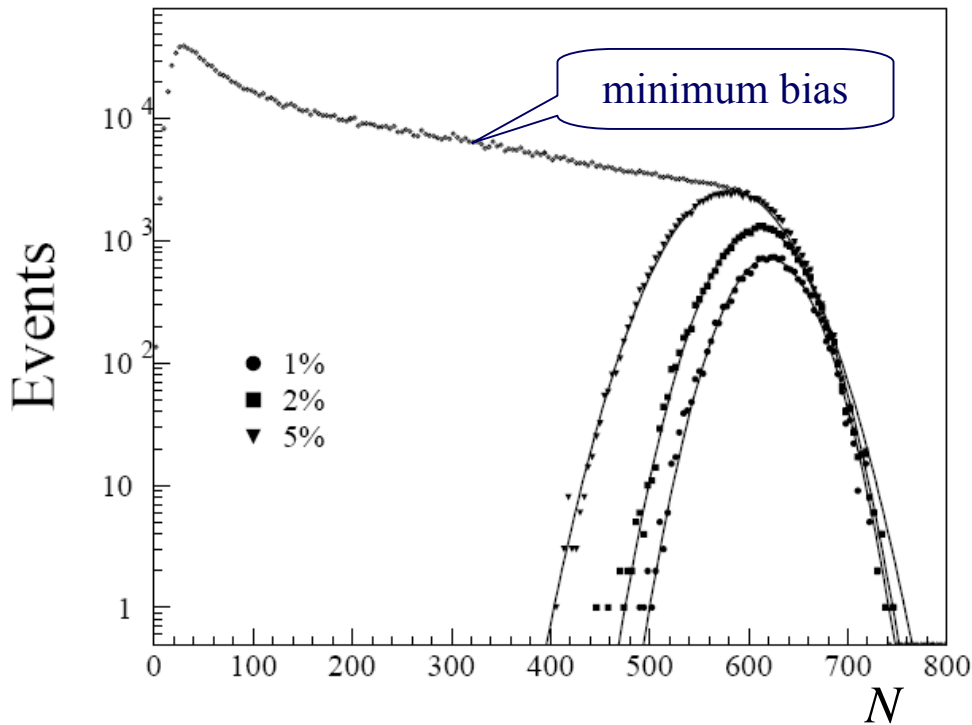
$N$  – number of particles

$V$  – volume

$N_{\text{part}}$  – number of participants

# Multiplicity distributions at different centralities

Pb-Pb @ 158 AGeV

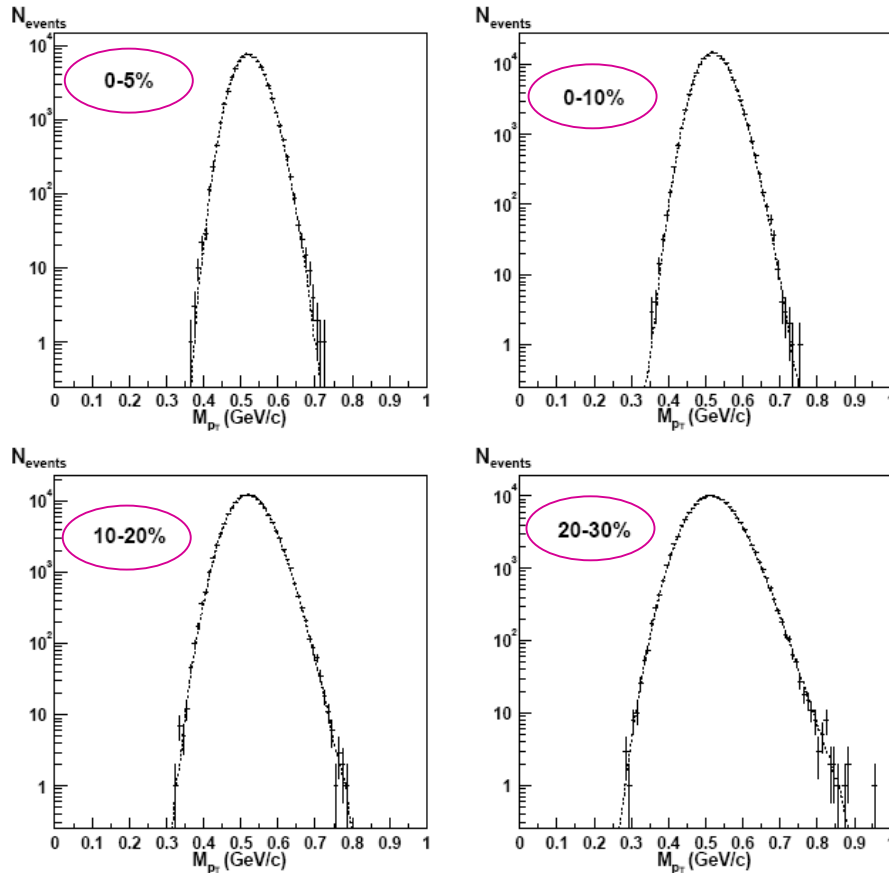


$\langle N \rangle$  &  $\text{Var}(N)$  strongly depend on trigger conditions

M.M. Aggarwal et al. [WA98 Collaboration], Phys. Rev. **C65**, 054912 (2002)

# $M_T$ distributions at different centralities

Au-Au @  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 130$  GeV



Gaussian width depends  
on centrality

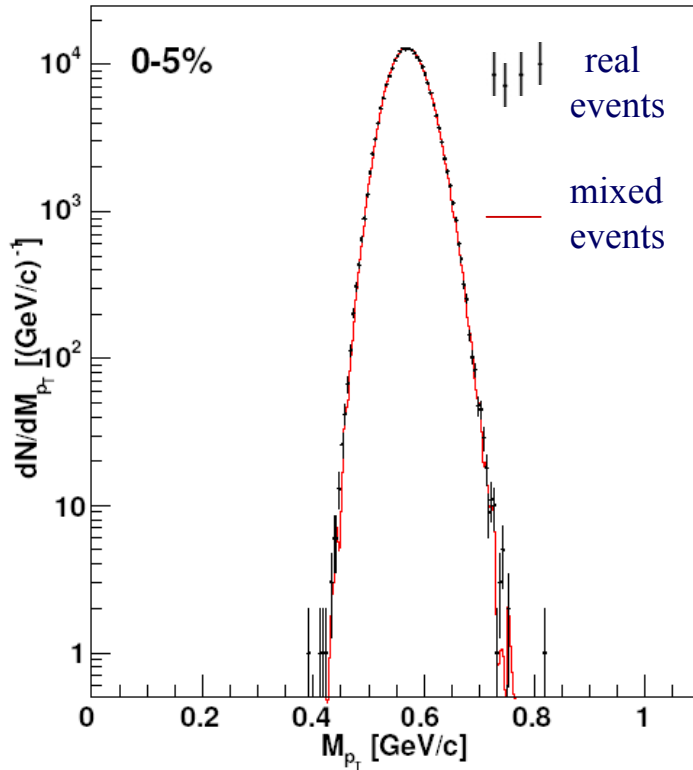
$$M_{p_T} \equiv \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N p_T^i \quad \text{not intensive}$$

K. Adcox et al. [PHENIX Collaboration],  
Phys. Rev. **C66**, 024901 (2002)



# Real vs. mixed events

Au-Au @  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV



mixed events: no correlations

statistical fluctuations: effect of finite  $N$

Observed fluctuations are dominated  
by statistical fluctuations

$$M_{p_T} \equiv \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N p_T^i$$

# Fluctuation measure $\Phi$

$$\Phi = \sqrt{\frac{\langle Z \rangle^2}{\langle N \rangle}} - \sqrt{\overline{z^2}}$$

$z \equiv p_T - \overline{p_T}$  one-particle variable

$\overline{\dots}$  inclusive average  $\overline{z} = 0$

$Z \equiv \sum_{i=1}^N z^i = \sum_{i=1}^N (p_T^i - \overline{p_T})$  event variable

$\langle \dots \rangle$  average over events  $\langle Z \rangle = 0$

- ✓  $\Phi = 0$  for mixed events (no correlations)
- ✓  $\Phi$  strictly intensive

## Other measures

$$M_{p_T} \equiv \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N p_T^i \quad \text{event variable}$$

$$\sigma_{p_T, \text{dyn}}^2 \equiv \left\langle \left( M_{p_T} - \langle M_{p_T} \rangle \right)^2 \right\rangle - \frac{\left( \overline{p_T} - \overline{p_T} \right)^2}{\langle N \rangle}$$

S. A. Voloshin, V. Koch & H.G. Ritter,  
Phys. Rev. **C60**, 024901 (1999)

$$\Sigma_{p_T} \equiv \text{sgn}(\sigma_{p_T, \text{dyn}}^2) \frac{\sqrt{|\sigma_{p_T, \text{dyn}}^2|}}{\overline{p_T}}$$

D. Adamova et al. [CERES Collaboration],  
Nucl. Phys. **A727**, 97 (2003)

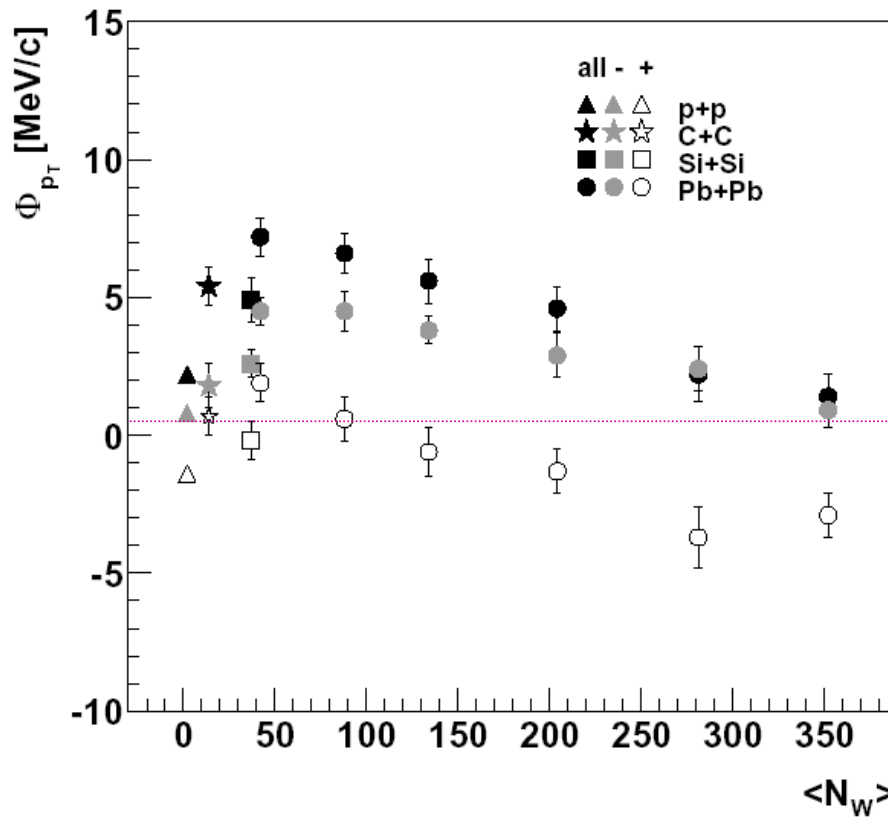
$$\omega \equiv \frac{1}{\langle M_{p_T} \rangle} \sqrt{\left\langle \left( M_{p_T} - \langle M_{p_T} \rangle \right)^2 \right\rangle} \quad \text{scaled dispersion}$$

$$F \equiv \frac{\omega_{\text{data}} - \omega_{\text{mixed}}}{\omega_{\text{mixed}}}$$

S.S. Adler et al. [PHENIX Collaboration],  
Phys. Rev. Lett. **93**, 092301 (2004)

# $p_T$ fluctuations @ SPS

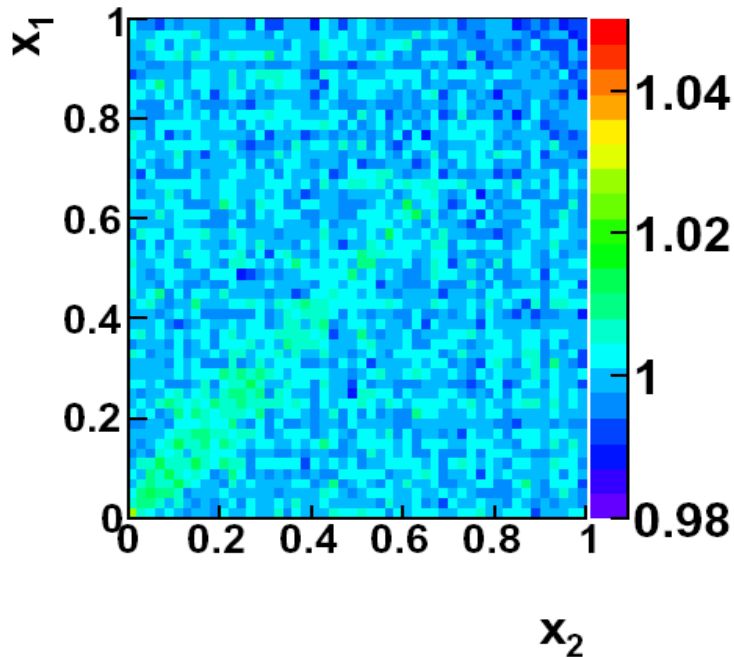
A-A @ 158 AGeV



similar data by CERES

# Differential analysis

Pb-Pb @ 158 AGeV



Bose-Einstein correlations

$$x_{1,2}(p_T) = \int_0^{p_T} dp'_T P(p'_T)$$
$$0 \leq x_{1,2}(p_T) \leq 1$$

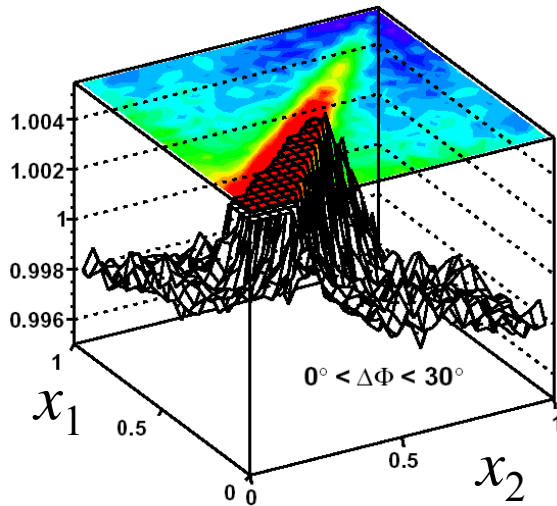
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T. A. Trainor, arXiv:hep-ph/0001148

K. Grebieszko et al. [NA49 Collaboration], PoS **CPOD07**, 022 (2007)

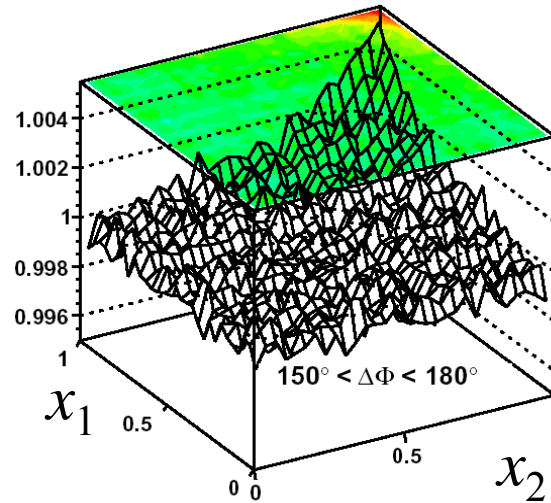
# Even more differential analysis

Pb-Au @ 158 AGeV

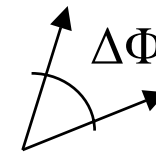
$$x_{1,2}(p_T) = \int_0^{p_T} dp'_T P(p'_T)$$



Bose-Einstein correlations



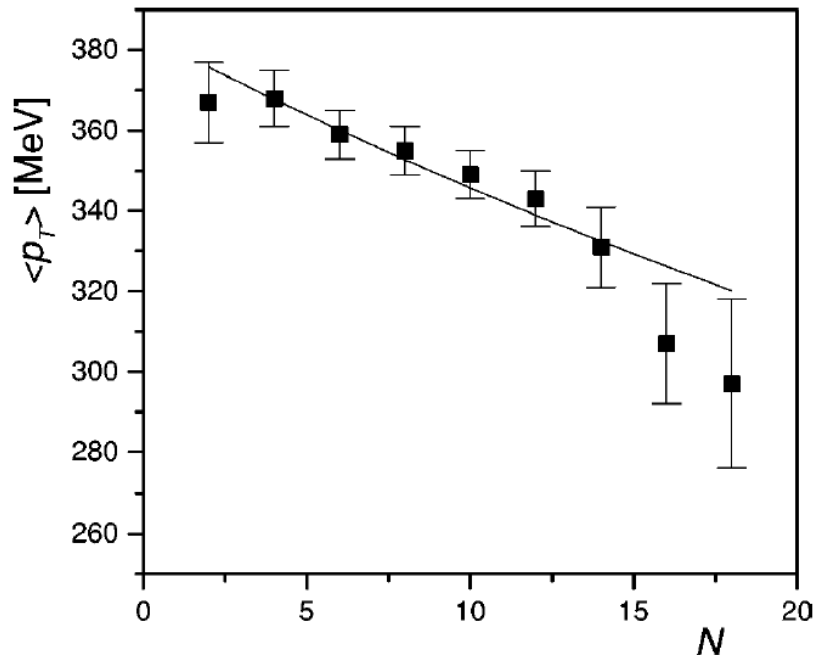
$p_T$  slope fluctuations ?



D. Adamova et al. [CERES Collaboration], arXiv:0803.2407 [nucl-ex].

# $p_T - N$ correlations

p-p @ 205 GeV



multiplicity dependent slope

$$T_N = T + \delta T \left( 1 - \frac{N}{\langle N \rangle} \right)$$

$$\Phi \approx \sqrt{2} \frac{(\delta T)^2}{T} \frac{\text{Var}(N)}{\langle N \rangle}$$

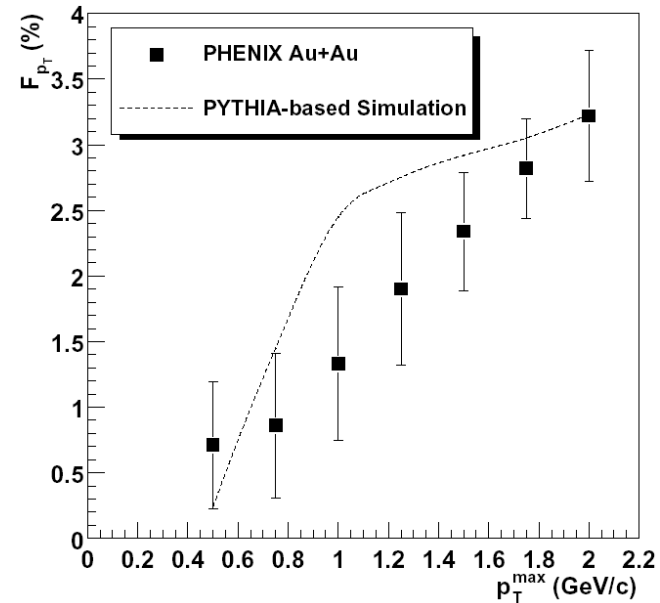
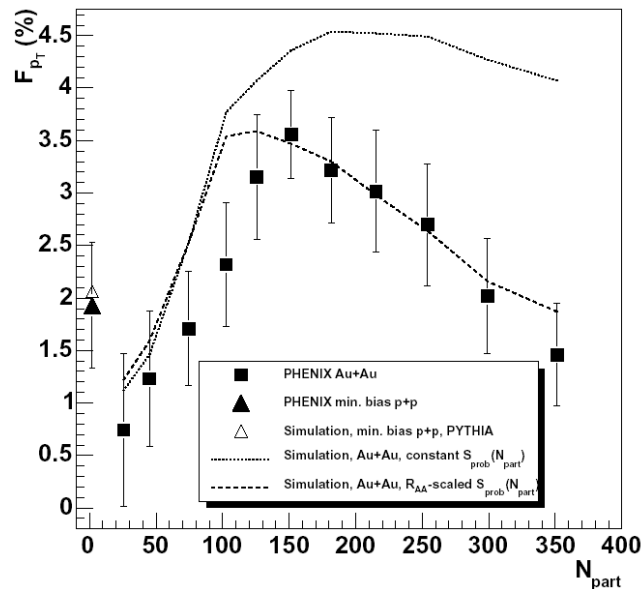
St. Mrówczyński, M. Rybczyński & Z. Włodarczyk,  
Phys. Rev. **C70**, 054906 (2004)

T. Kafka et al. Phys. Rev. **D16**, 1261 (1977)

# $p_T$ fluctuations @ RHIC

Au-Au @  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV

similar data by STAR



$$F \equiv \frac{\omega_{data} - \omega_{mixed}}{\omega_{mixed}}$$

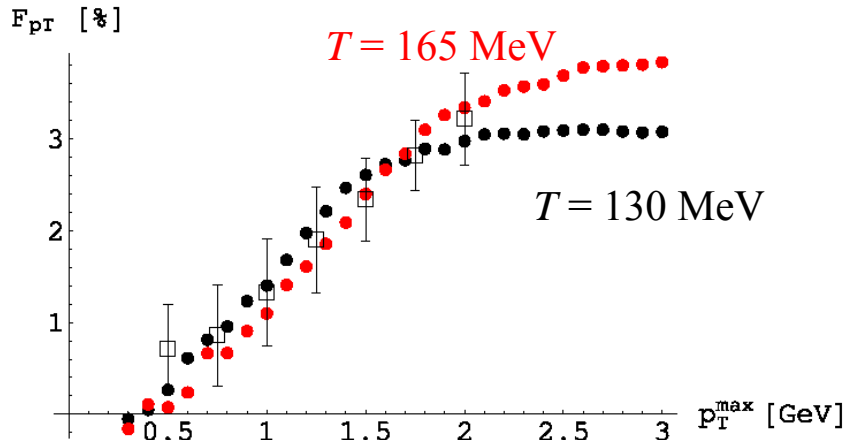
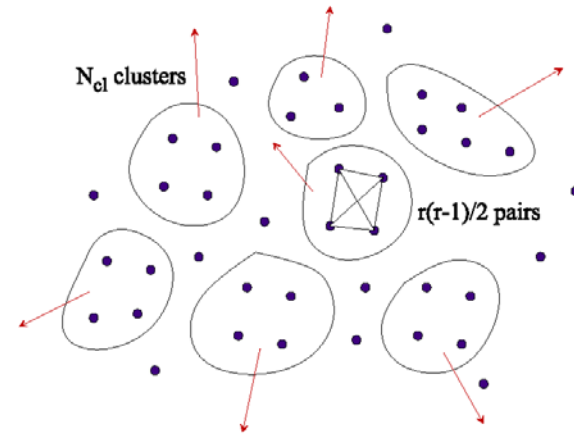
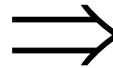
jets ?



# $p_T$ fluctuations @ RHIC

$$\sigma_{p_T, \text{dyn}}^2 \sim \frac{1}{\langle N \rangle}$$

$$\Phi(p_T) \approx \text{const}(N_{\text{part}})$$



clusters ?

# Thermodynamic fluctuations

## Temperature fluctuations

$$\langle T^2 \rangle - \langle T \rangle^2 = \frac{\langle T \rangle^2}{C_v} \quad C_v \equiv T \left( \frac{\partial S}{\partial V} \right)_{V, \langle N \rangle} \quad \text{heat capacity} \quad ?$$

L. Stodolsky, Phys. Rev. Lett. **75**, 1044 (1995); E. V. Shuryak, Phys. Lett. **B423**, 9 (1998)

## Multiplicity fluctuations

$$\langle N^2 \rangle - \langle N \rangle^2 = \frac{T \langle N \rangle^2}{V^2 \kappa} \quad \kappa \equiv - \left( \frac{\partial p}{\partial V} \right)_{T, \langle N \rangle} \quad \text{compressibility}$$

St. Mrówczyński, Phys. Lett. **B430**, 9 (1998)

## Electric charge fluctuations

$$\langle Q^2 \rangle - \langle Q \rangle^2 = TV \chi_Q \quad \chi_Q \equiv - \frac{1}{V} \left( \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial \mu_Q^2} \right)_{T, V} \quad \text{electric charge susceptibility}$$

S. Jeon & V. Koch, Phys. Rev. Lett. **85**, 2076 (2000);  
M. Asakawa, U.W. Heinz & B. Muller, Phys. Rev. Lett. **85**, 2072 (2000)

# Electric charge fluctuations

Ideal classical gas of charged particles

$$Q = q(N_+ - N_-) \quad \delta Q \equiv Q - \langle Q \rangle \quad \delta N_{\pm} \equiv N_{\pm} - \langle N_{\pm} \rangle$$

$$\langle \delta Q^2 \rangle = q^2 \langle (\delta N_+ - \delta N_-)^2 \rangle = q^2 \left( \langle \delta N_+^2 \rangle + \langle \delta N_-^2 \rangle - 2 \langle \delta N_+ \delta N_- \rangle \right)$$

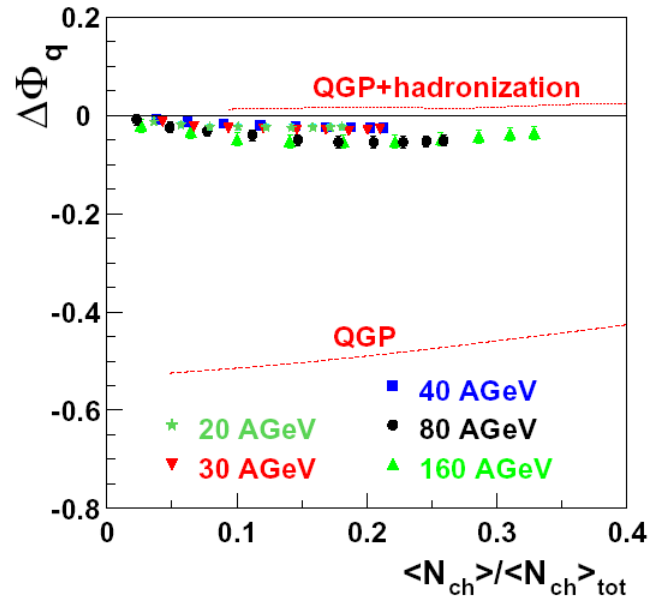
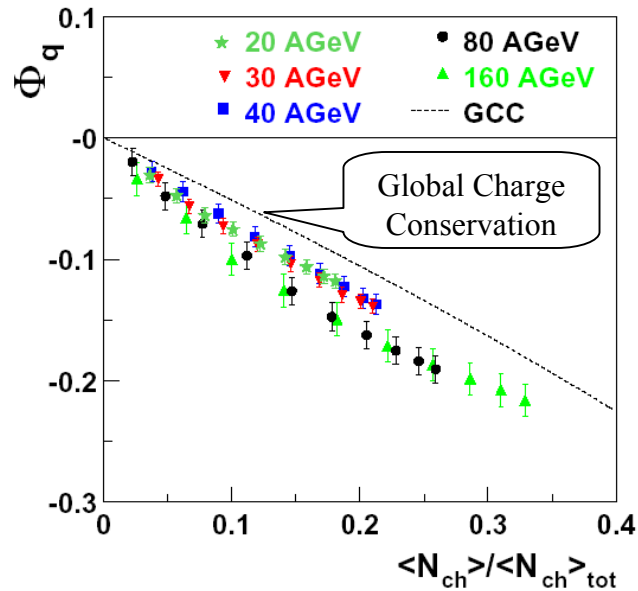
$$\langle \delta N_+ \delta N_- \rangle = 0 \quad \langle \delta N_{\pm}^2 \rangle = \langle N_{\pm} \rangle \quad \langle N \rangle \equiv \langle N_+ \rangle + \langle N_- \rangle$$

$$\frac{\langle \delta Q^2 \rangle}{\langle N \rangle} = q^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{\langle \delta Q^2 \rangle}{S} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{6} & \text{pion gas} \\ \frac{1}{24} & \text{QGP} \end{cases}$$

$S \sim \langle N \rangle$  conserved

# Electric charge fluctuations @ SPS

Pb-Pb



$$\Phi_q \equiv \sqrt{\frac{\langle Z^2 \rangle}{\langle N \rangle} - \sqrt{z^2}}$$

$$\Phi_q^{GCC} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{\langle N_{ch} \rangle}{\langle N_{ch} \rangle_{tot}} - 1}$$

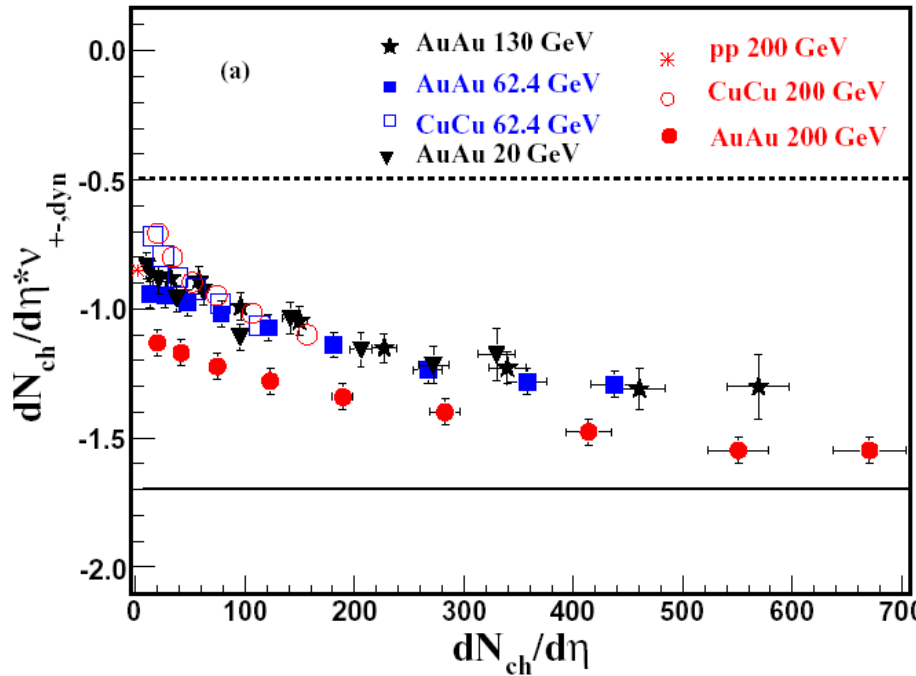
$$\Delta\Phi_q \equiv \Phi_q - \Phi_q^{GCC}$$

$$z \equiv q - \bar{q} \quad Z \equiv \sum_{i=1}^N z^i$$

Global Charge Conservation

C. Alt et al. [NA49 Collaboration], Phys. Rev. **C70**, 064903 (2004)

# Electric charge fluctuations @ RHIC



← charge conservation effect

← hadron resonance gas

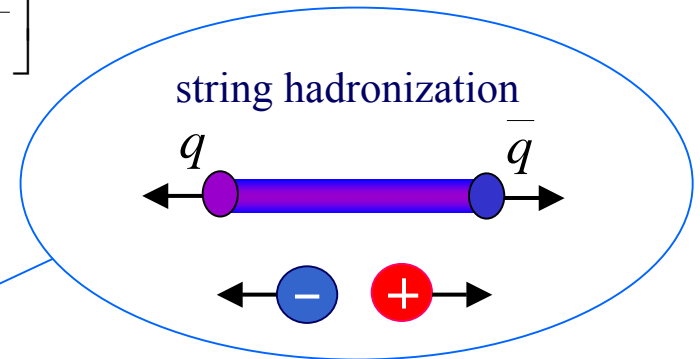
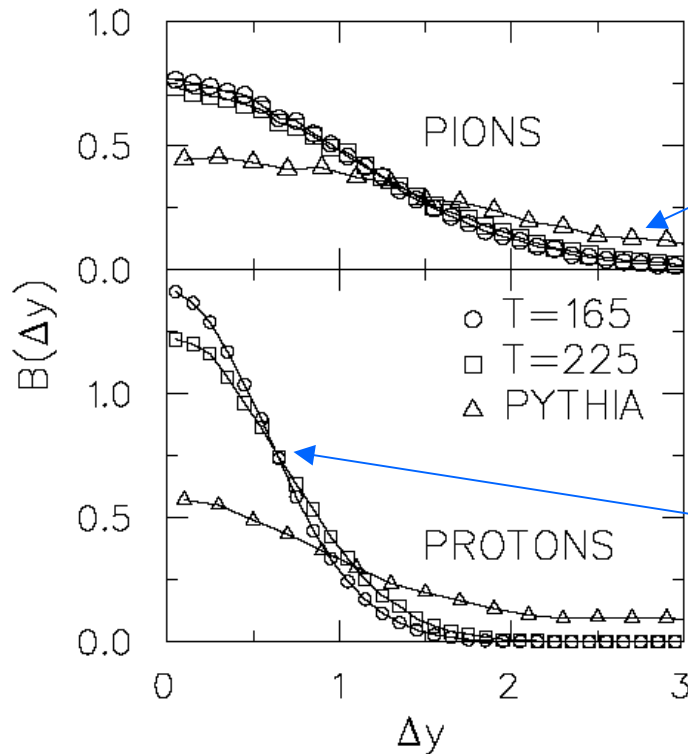
QGP

QGP electric fluctuations  
are not seen in the final state

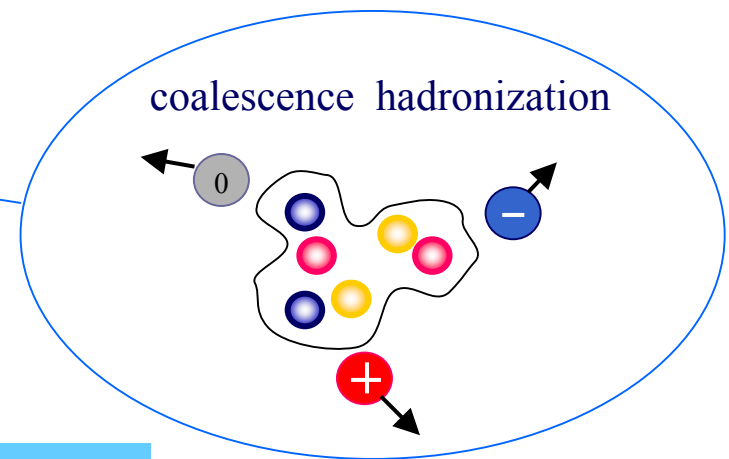
$$v_{+-,dyn} \equiv \frac{\langle N_+(N_+ - 1) \rangle}{\langle N_+ \rangle^2} + \frac{\langle N_-(N_- - 1) \rangle}{\langle N_- \rangle^2} - 2 \frac{\langle N_- N_+ \rangle}{\langle N_- \rangle \langle N_+ \rangle}$$

# Balance functions

$$B(\Delta y) \equiv \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{N_{+-}(\Delta y) - N_{--}(\Delta y)}{N_{-}(\Delta y)} + \frac{N_{-+}(\Delta y) - N_{++}(\Delta y)}{N_{+}(\Delta y)} \right]$$



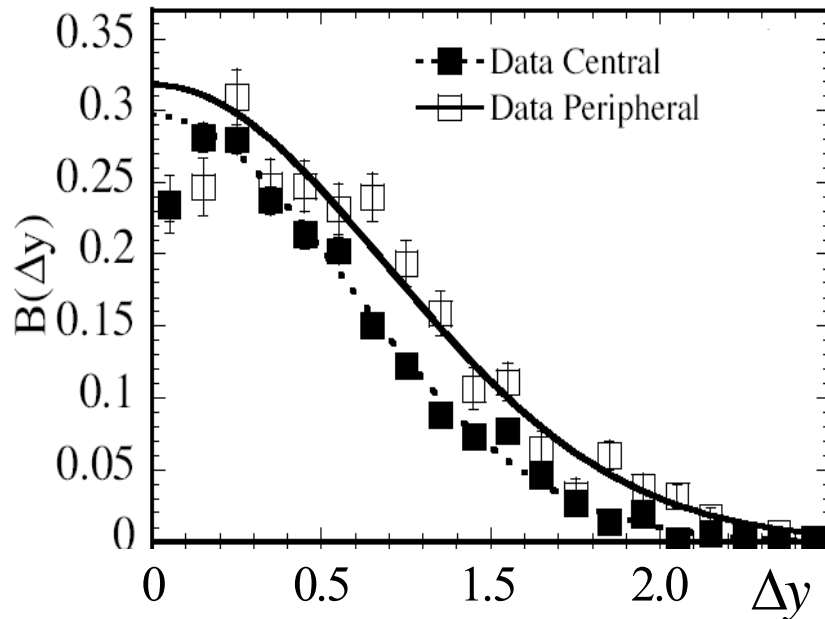
A. Bialas, Phys. Lett. **B579**, 31 (2004)



S.A. Bass, P. Danielewicz & S. Pratt, Phys. Rev. Lett. **85**, 2689 (2000)

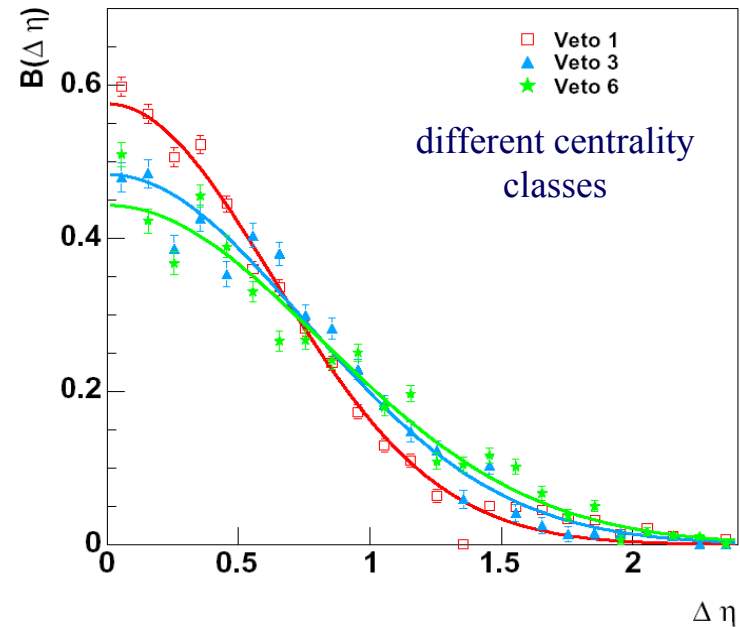
# Experimental balance functions

Au-Au @  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 130$  GeV



J. Adams et al. [STAR Collaboration],  
Phys Rev Lett **90**, 172301 (2003)

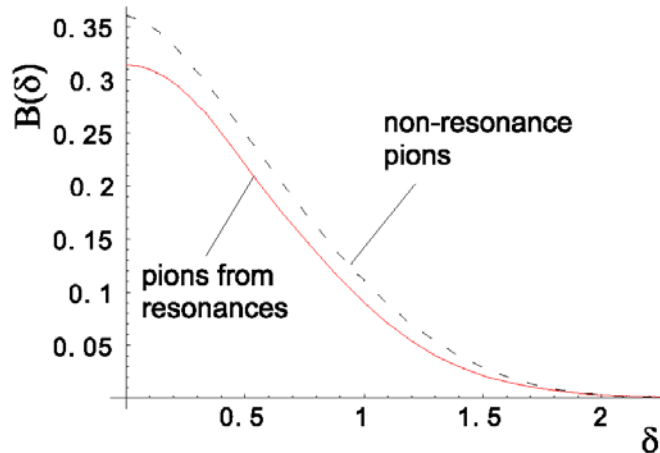
Pb-Pb @ 158 AGeV



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Phys. Rev. **C71**, 034903 (2005)

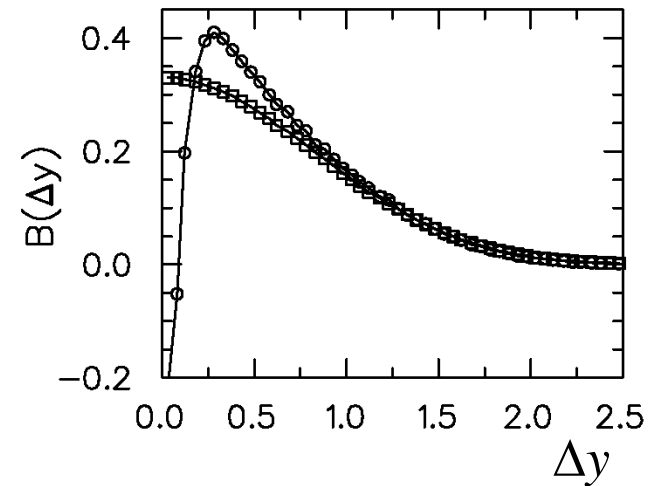
# Interpretation of balance functions

## ● effect of resonances



P. Bożek, W. Broniowski & W. Florkowski, Acta Phys. Hung. **A22**, 149 (2005)

## ● role of final state interactions



S. Pratt & S. Cheng, Phys. Rev. **C68**, 014907 (2003)

## ● effect of flow

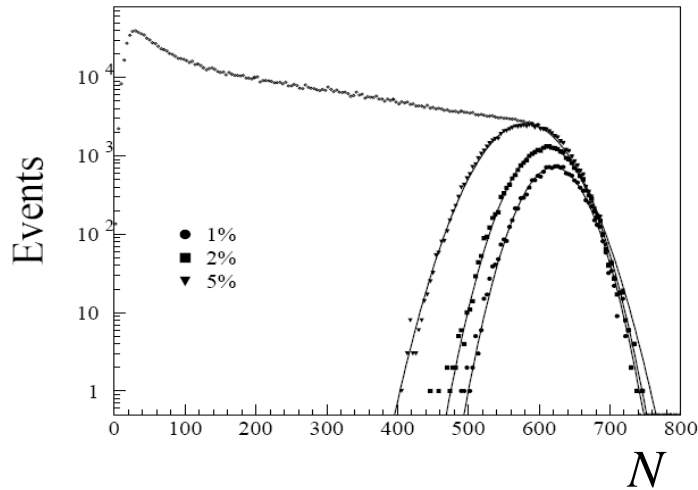
$$B(\Delta y) \longrightarrow B(\varphi)$$

P. Bożek, Phys. Lett. **B609**, 247 (2005)



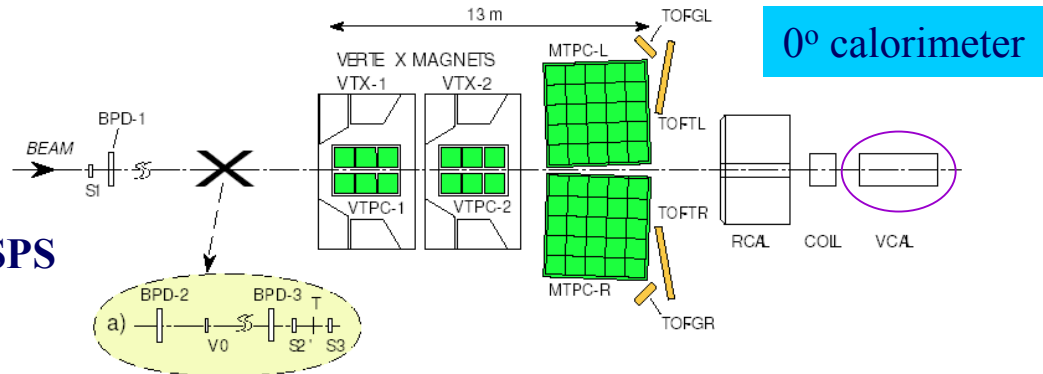
# Multiplicity fluctuations

Pb-Pb @ 158 AGeV

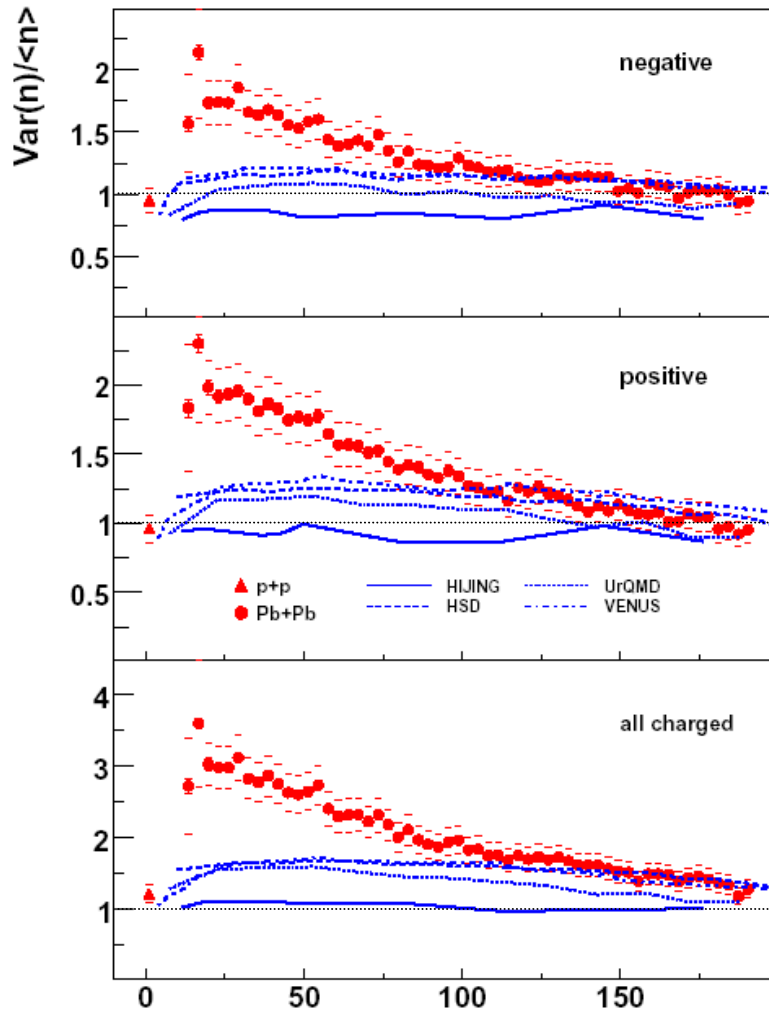


M.M. Aggarwal et al. [WA98 Collaboration],  
Phys. Rev. **C65**, 054912 (2002)

**NA 49** experiment @ SPS



# Multiplicity fluctuations at fixed projectile $N_{\text{part}}$



$N_{\text{part}}^{\text{projectile}}$

A-A @ 158 AGeV

$N_{\text{part}}^{\text{projectile}}$  fixed by  $0^\circ$  calorimeter

$$\frac{\text{Var}(N)}{\langle N \rangle} = 1 \text{ for Poisson}$$

similar data by WA98 & PHENIX

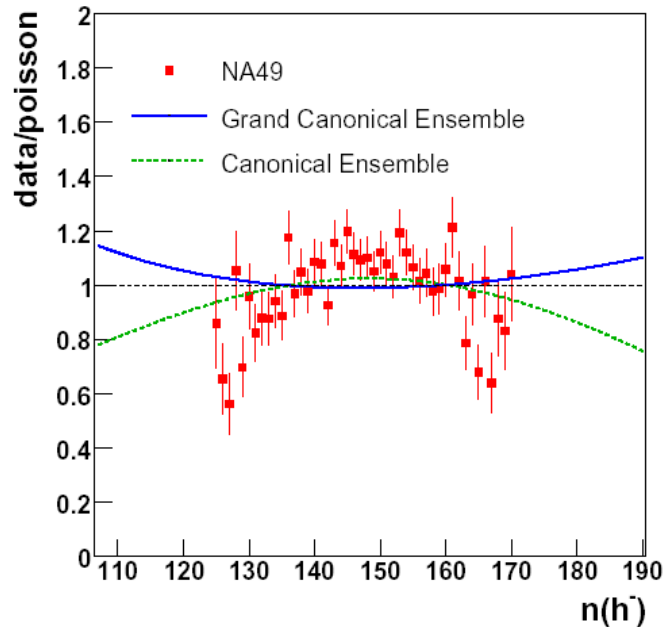


$$\frac{\text{Var}(N)}{\langle N \rangle} \neq 1 ?$$

C. Alt et al. [NA49 Collaboration],  
Phys. Rev. **C75**, 064904 (2007)

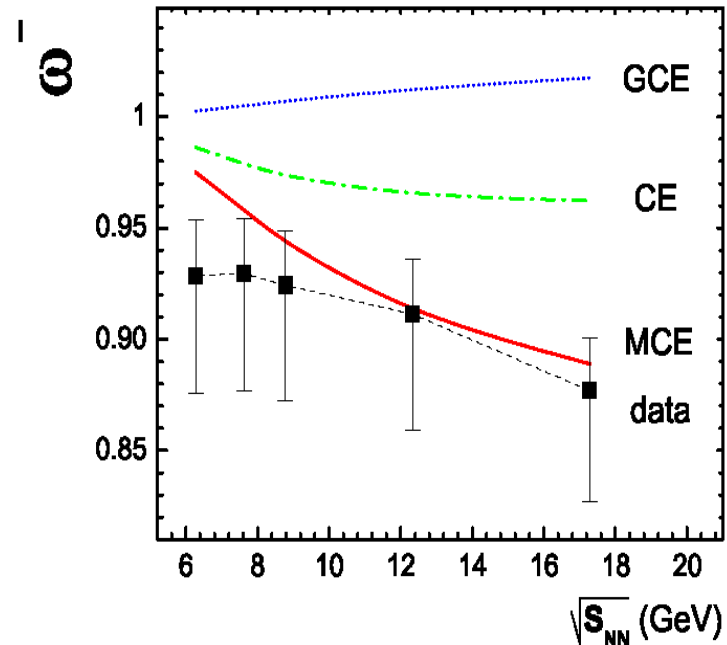
# Multiplicity fluctuations in very central collisions

Pb-Pb @ 158 AGeV



C. Alt et al. [NA49 Collaboration],  
arXiv:0712.3216 [nucl-ex]

Fluctuations in various  
statistical ensembles

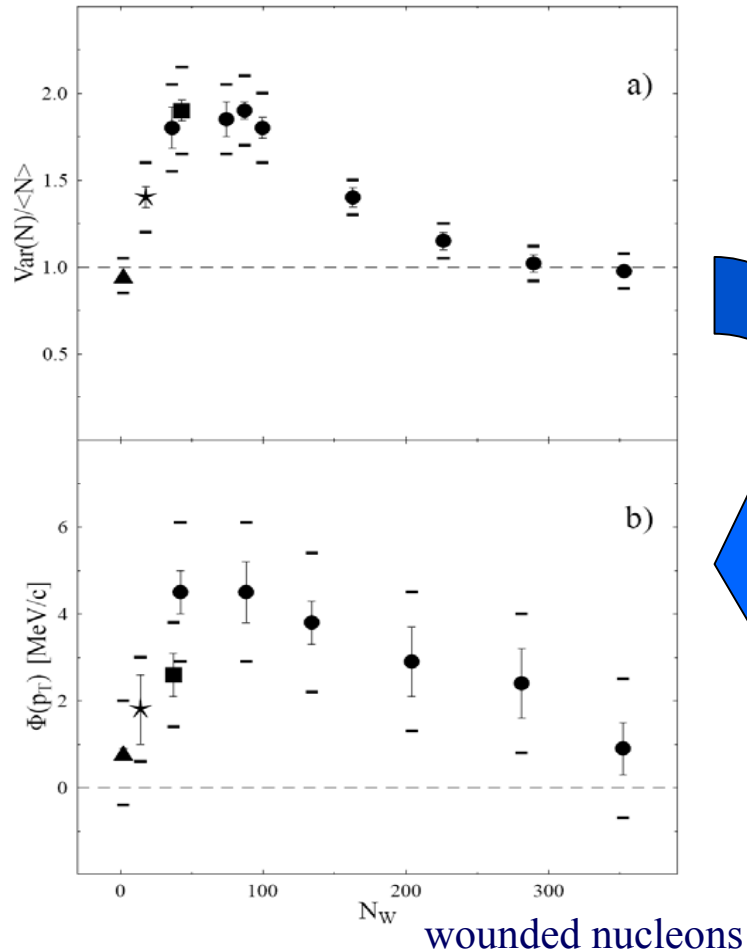


V.V. Begun, M. Gaździcki, M.I. Gorenstein,  
M. Hauer, V.P. Konchakovski & B.Lungwitz,  
Phys. Rev. **C76**, 024902 (2007)

$$\omega \equiv \text{Var}(N) / \langle N \rangle$$

# Multiplicity vs. $p_T$ fluctuations

Pb-Pb @ 158 AGeV



multiplicity dependent slope

$$T_N = T + \delta T \left( 1 - \frac{N}{\langle N \rangle} \right)$$

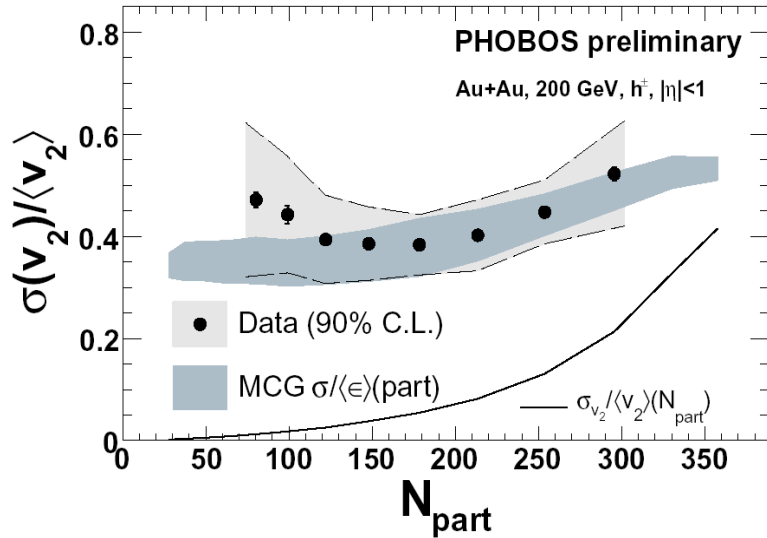
$$\Phi \approx \sqrt{2} \frac{(\delta T)^2}{T} \frac{\text{Var}(N)}{\langle N \rangle}$$

$p_T$  fluctuations are coupled to multiplicity fluctuations

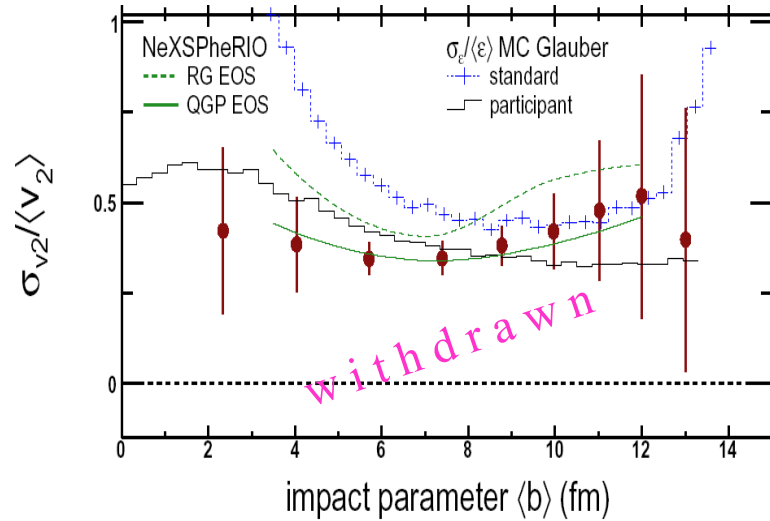
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Phys. Rev. **C70**, 054906 (2004)

# Elliptic flow fluctuations

Au-Au @  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV



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J. Phys. G34, S907 (2007)



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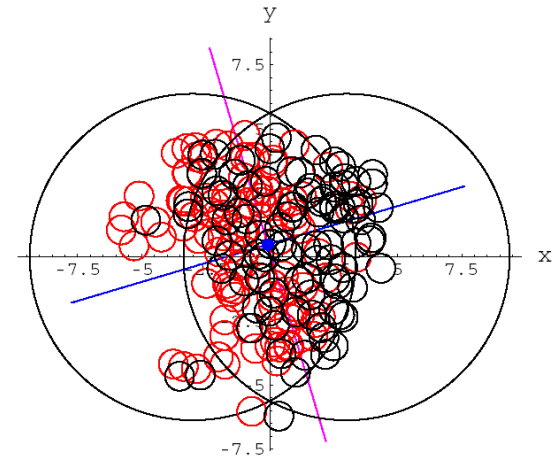
Upper limit only!  
 $v_2$  fluctuations and non-flow  
 effects cannot be disentangled!

# Eccentricity & $v_2$ fluctuations

Geometric fluctuations only

$$V_2 \sim \varepsilon \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{\sigma_{V_2}}{\langle V_2 \rangle} = \frac{\sigma_\varepsilon}{\langle \varepsilon \rangle}$$

M. Miller & R. Snellings, arXiv:nucl-ex/0312008



W. Broniowski, P. Bożek & M. Rybczyński,  
Phys. Rev. **C76**, 054905 (2007)

No dynamic fluctuations?

St.Mrówczyński & E.V. Shuryak, Acta Phys. Pol. **B34**, 4241 (2003)

# Conclusions & outlook

- Some interesting but no spectacular e-b-e results
- Dynamic fluctuations usually small
- Measurements in large acceptance needed
- Dedicated detectors desirable (NA61)
- Realistic modeling needed