

# How the Blast-Wave Model Describes PID Hadron Spectra from 5 TeV p-Pb Collisions

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# Agenda

Do Blast-Wave model fits demonstrate flow?

How should spectrum models be evaluated?

Is there a better spectrum model?

What role do jets play in nuclear collisions?

Is QGP formed in small collision systems?

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collectivity?

# Blast-Wave Spectrum Model

$$\frac{dN}{m_t dm_t} \propto m_t \int_0^R r dr K_1 \left( \frac{m_t \cosh \rho}{T_{kin}} \right) I_0 \left( \frac{p_t \sinh \rho}{T_{kin}} \right)$$

$\rho(r) = \tanh^{-1} \beta_t, \quad \beta_t = \beta_s (r/R)^n$

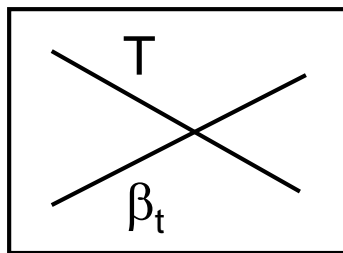
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ALICE - 1307.6796

5 TeV p-Pb

Landau and Hagedorn  
Cooper and Frye  
Siemens and Rasmussen  
Bevalac/AGS *collectivity*

fit parameters:  $(T_{kin}, \langle \beta_T \rangle, n)$



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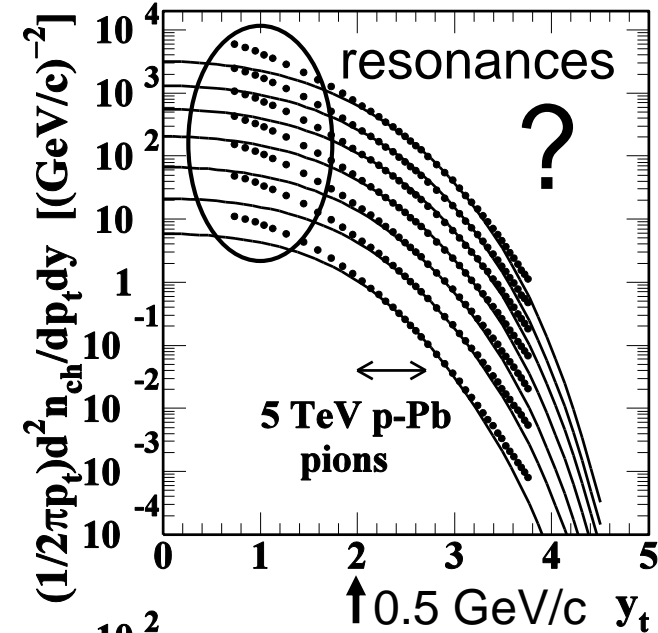
- centrality +

isentropic expansion?

$n$	$\sigma'/\sigma_0$	$\langle \beta_T \rangle$	$T_{kin}$ (GeV)	$n$	$\chi^2/ndf$
1	0.025	0.547	0.143	1.07	0.27
2	0.075	0.531	0.147	1.14	0.33
3	0.15	0.511	0.151	1.24	0.36
4	0.30	0.478	0.157	1.41	0.35
5	0.50	0.428	0.164	1.73	0.43
6	0.70	0.36	0.169	2.4	0.54
7	0.90	0.26	0.166	3.9	0.84



# BW Description of PID Spectra

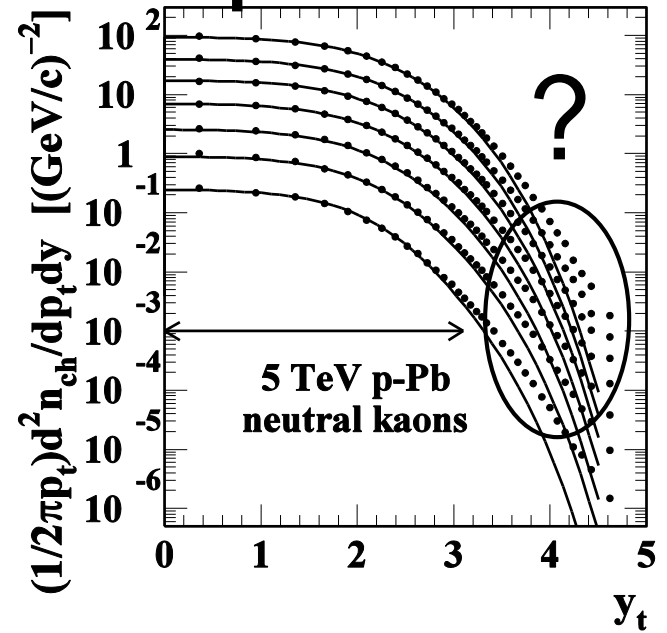


$$y_{ti} = \ln \left[ \frac{(m_{ti} + p_t)}{m_i} \right]$$

transverse rapidity

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arrows: fit intervals



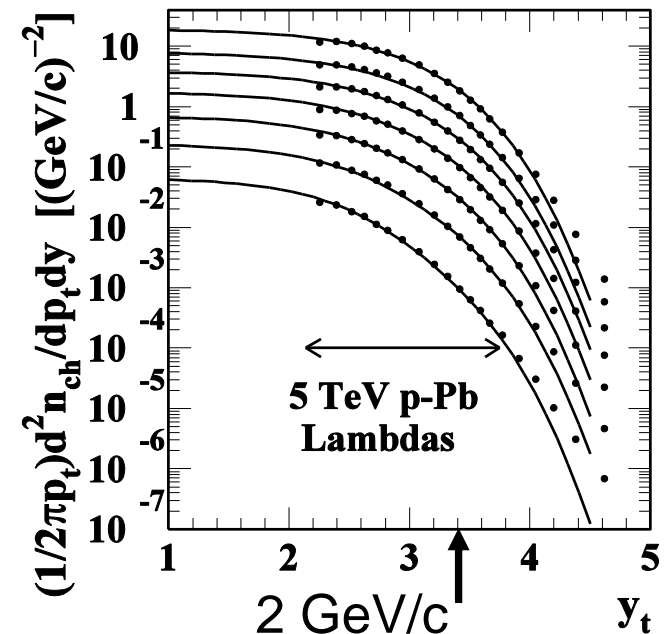
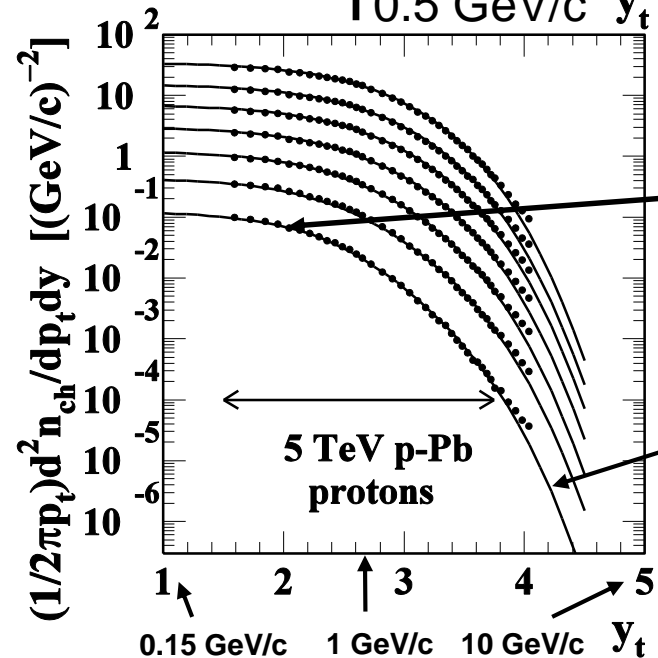
densities on  $p_t$  vs  $y_t$

$$\propto A - m_0 \cosh(y_t) / T$$

at low  $p_t$

BW model

good or bad?



# PID Two-Component Model

## Identified hadrons from 5 TeV p-Pb collisions

$\bar{\rho}_0 \approx \bar{\rho}_s + \bar{\rho}_h$  describes nonPID p-Pb charge densities 1801.05862  
 hadron species  $i$  1812.01151

**charge densities:**  $\bar{\rho}_{0i}(\mathbf{y}_t, \mathbf{n}_{ch}) \equiv d^2 \bar{n}_{chi} / m_{ti} dm_{ti} dy_{zi}$   
 2112.09790, 2112.12330  $= \mathbf{S}_i(\mathbf{y}_t, \mathbf{n}_{ch}) + \mathbf{H}_i(\mathbf{y}_t, \mathbf{n}_{ch})$  **soft + hard**  
 $= \mathbf{z}_{si} \bar{\rho}_s \hat{\mathbf{S}}_{0i}(\mathbf{y}_t) + \mathbf{z}_{hi} \bar{\rho}_h \hat{\mathbf{H}}_{0i}(\mathbf{y}_t)$  factorized  
 $(\mathbf{z}_{si}, \mathbf{z}_{hi})$  are *fractions* of nonPID densities

simple functions of  $n_s$

**TCM fixed model functions:**

$\hat{\mathbf{S}}_{0i}(\mathbf{y}_t; \mathbf{T}, \mathbf{n})$  soft model function

Exponential on  $m_t$  with power-law tail  $\leftrightarrow$  thermal system with *fluctuating* T parameter

$\hat{\mathbf{H}}_{0i}(\mathbf{y}_t; \bar{y}_t, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{y_t}, \mathbf{q})$  hard model function

Gaussian on  $y_t$  with exponential tail  $\leftrightarrow$  *measured* jet spectra and fragmentation functions

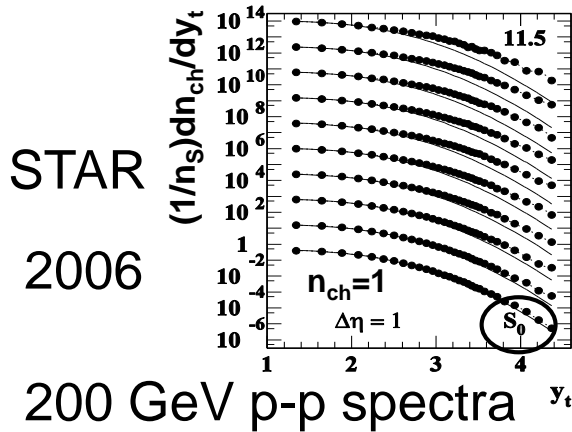
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# TCM Physics

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**Soft component:** spectrum limit as  $n_{ch} \rightarrow 0$

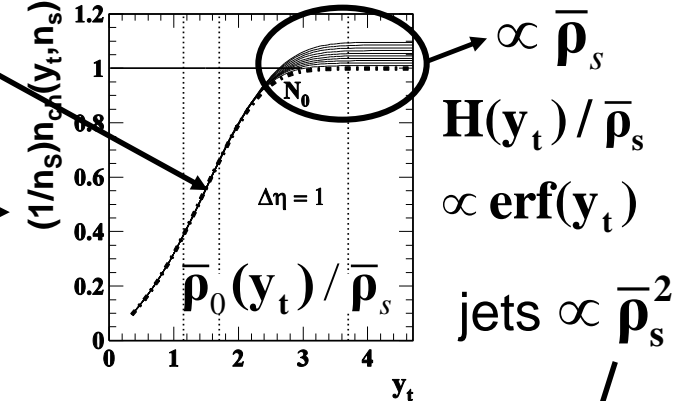
nuclear transparency



$\int dy_t S_0(y_t)$

$/ \bar{\rho}_s \hat{S}_0(m_t)$

data running integrals on  $y_t$



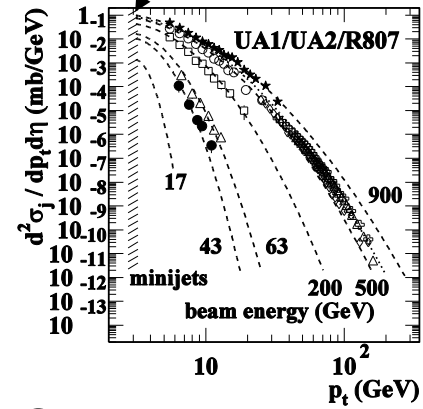
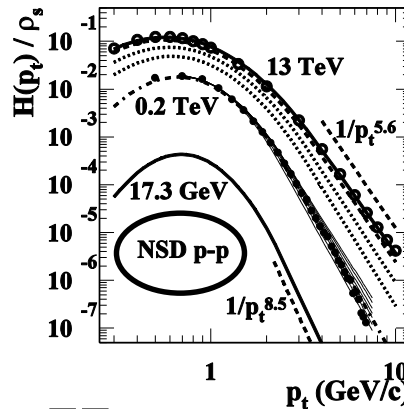
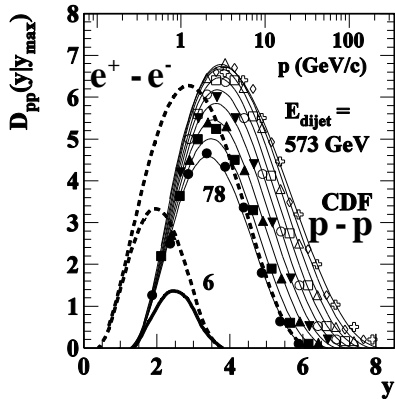
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**Hard component:** convolute *measured* FFs with *measured* jet spectra:  $\hat{H}_0(y_t)$

p-p hard components – data and TCM

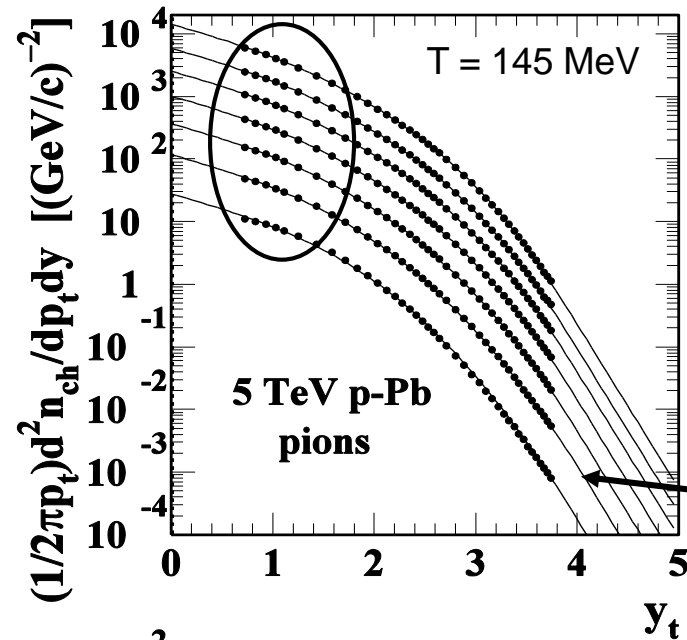
3 GeV lower bound



p-p fragmentation functions – FFs

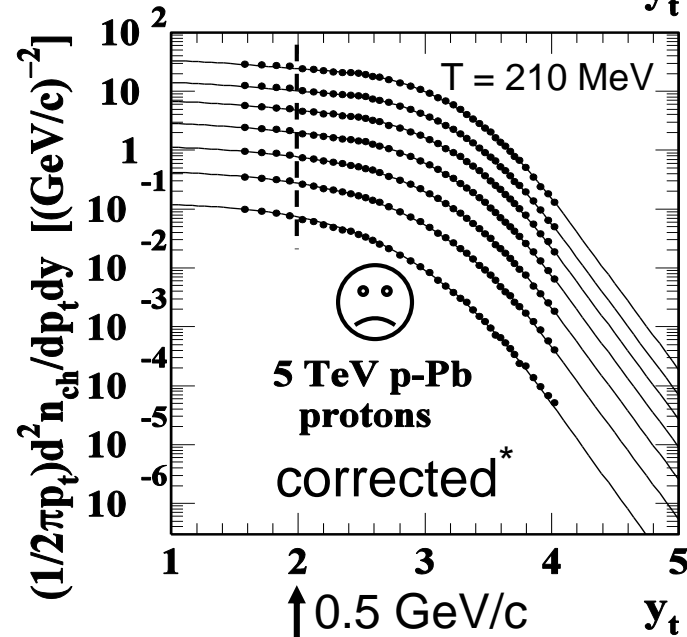
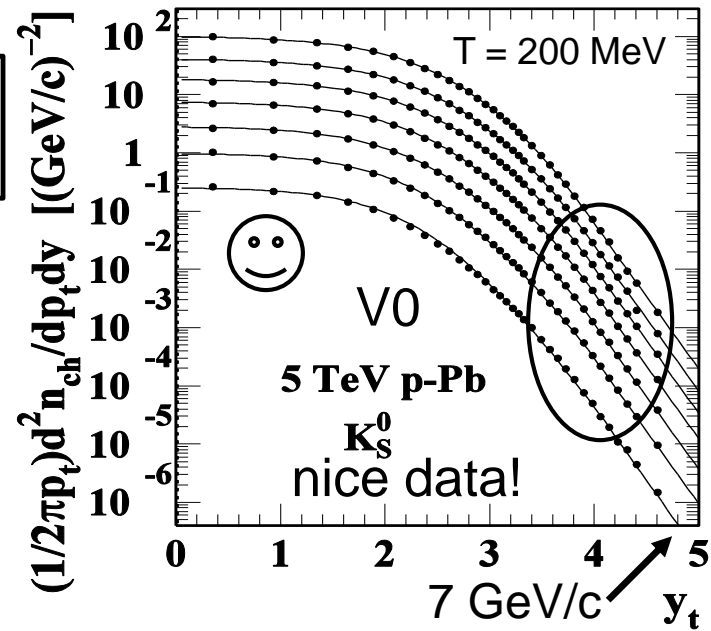
NSD p-p jet spectra 6

# TCM Description of PID Spectra



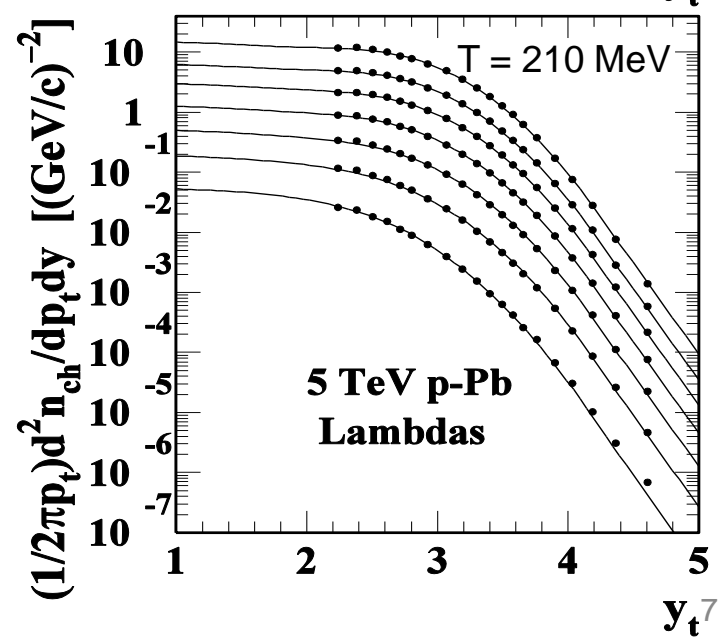
TCM is *not* fitted to individual spectra

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2112.12330



data described within *statistical* uncertainties

new information is obtained on strangeness and baryon production!



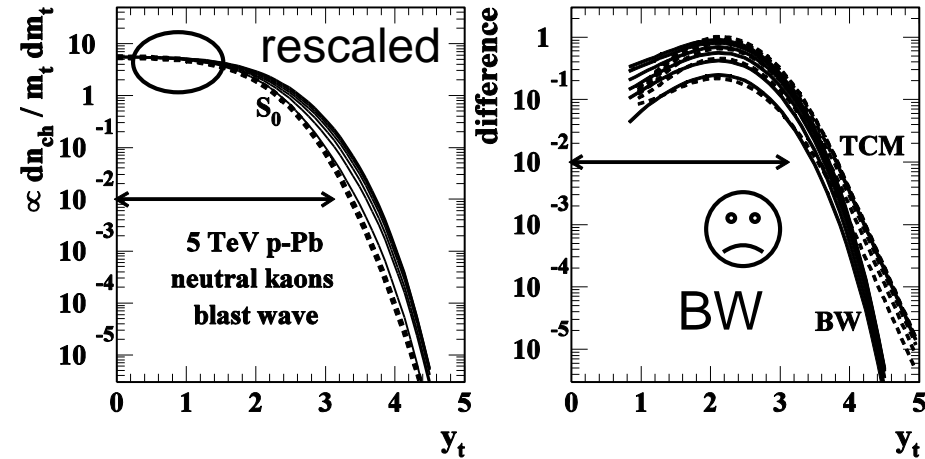
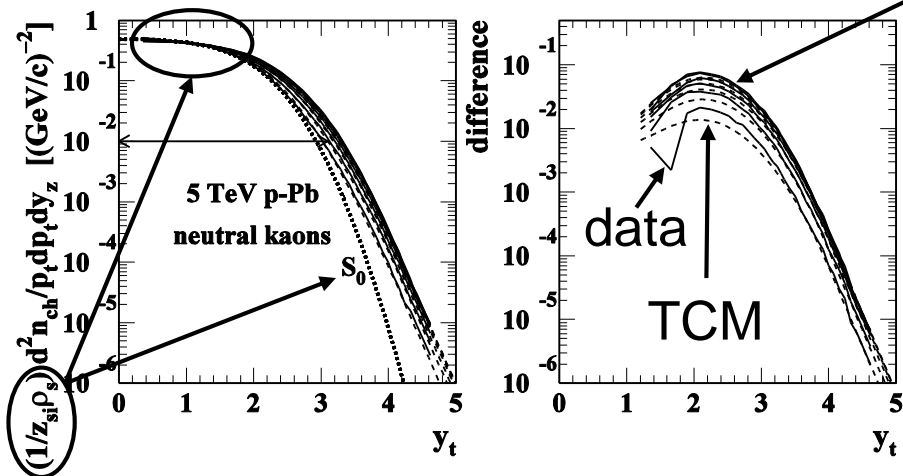
# BW Test: Spectrum Differences

model-independent  
spectrum *shape* analysis

“...we are only interested in the **shape** of the spectra to reveal the dynamics of the collision zone at freezeout.”

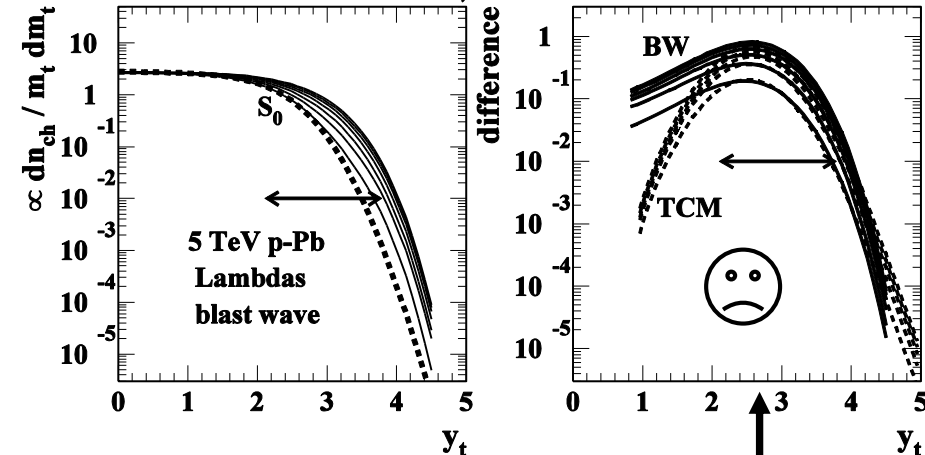
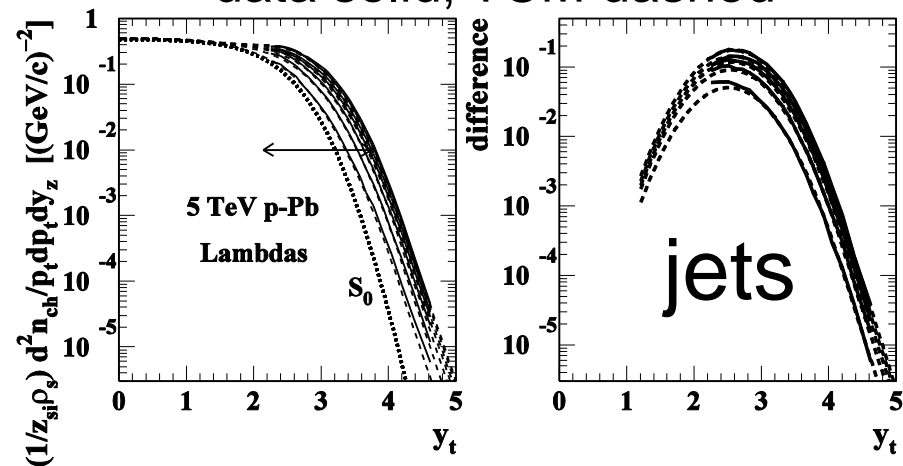
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other spectra minus peripheral spectrum



data solid, TCM dashed

BW solid, TCM dashed



arrows: BW fit intervals falsify BW model

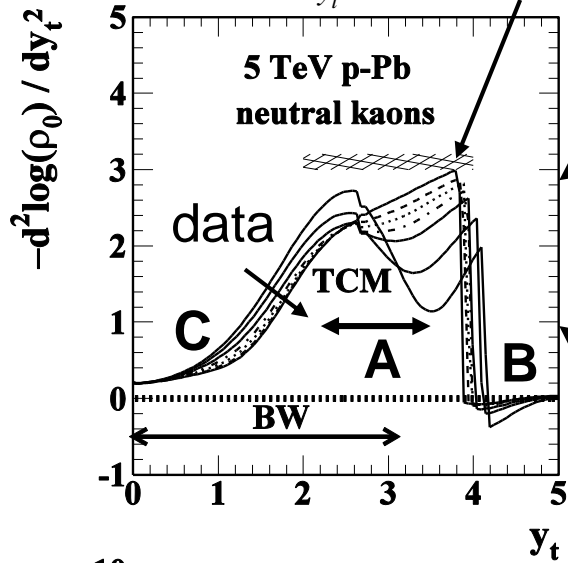
1 GeV/c



# BW Test: Logarithmic Derivatives

another model-independent shape measure – **local curvature**

$1/\sigma_{y_t}^2$  measured



hard component

$$-\frac{d^2 \ln[\bar{\rho}_0(y_t)]}{dy_t^2} \rightarrow 1/\sigma_{y_t}^2 \quad \text{A}$$

$$\approx 0 \quad \text{B}$$

soft component

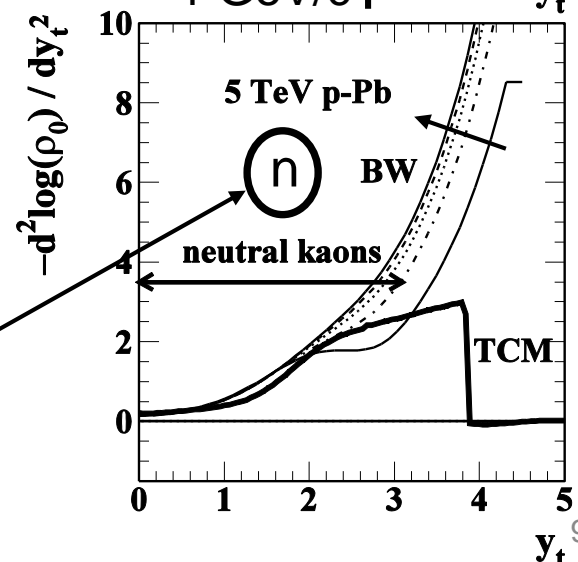
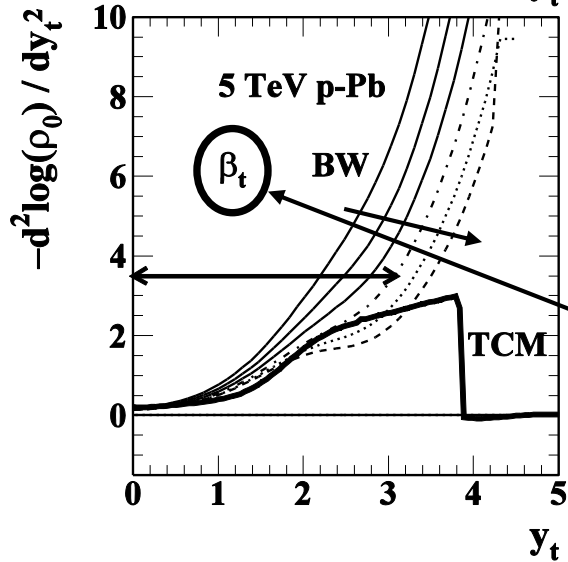
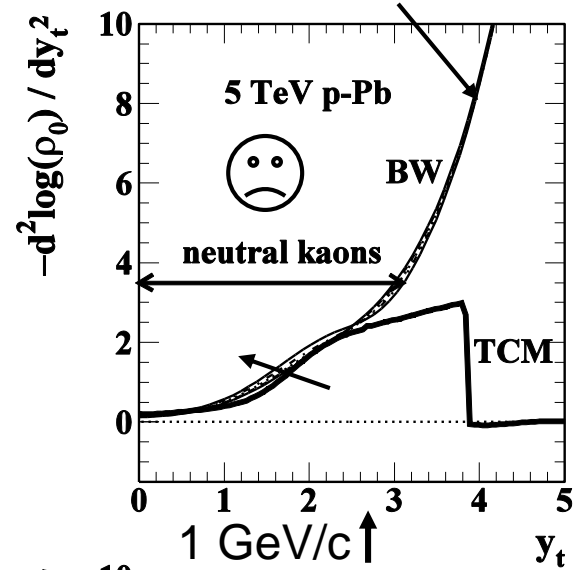
$$-\frac{d^2 [A - m_0 \cosh(y_t) / T]}{dy_t^2} \rightarrow m_0 \cosh(y_t) / T \quad \text{C}$$

Boltzmann on  $m_t$

single parameter varies

falsify BW model

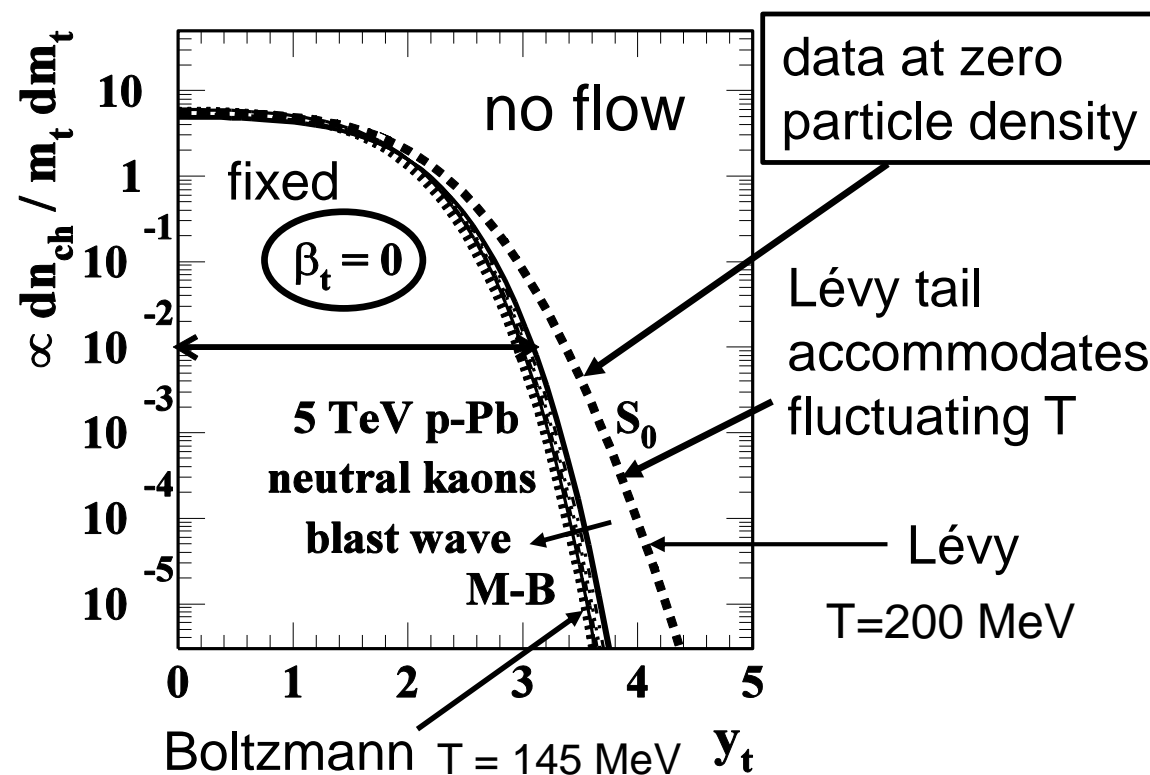
BW fits



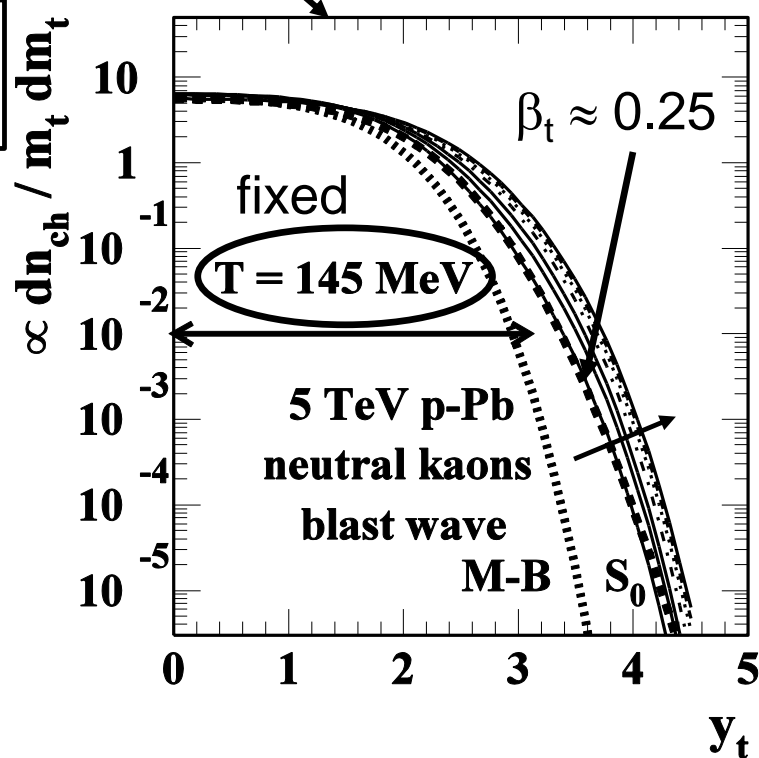
# Single BW Parameters Held Fixed

other parameters  
vary as fitted

BW model describes *zero-density*  
*data* model  $S_0(y_t)$  if  $\beta_t \approx 0.25$



BW model with zero radial flow  
reverts to Boltzmann exponential  
(bold dotted) on  $m_t$  [ $\sim \cosh(y_t)$ ]



BW model with fixed  $T = 145$   
MeV and fitted transverse speed  
approximates TCM  $S_0$  (bold dashed)

# BW Test: Z-scores and Significance

spectrum ratio:  $\left(\frac{\text{data}}{\text{model}}\right) - 1 \approx \frac{\text{data} - \text{model}}{\text{error}} \times \left(\frac{\text{error}}{\text{data}}\right)$

spectrum ratios may be *quite deceptive*

**Z-scores**      **extraneous factor**

Z-scores:  $Z_i = \frac{D_i - M_i}{\sigma_i}$

r.m.s  $\approx 1$  signals acceptable model

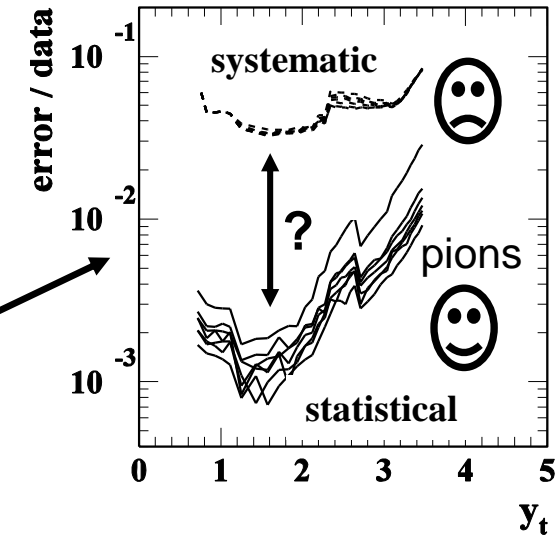
error  $\rightarrow$  data uncertainty

should be statistical, *not* systematic, uncertainty

$\left(\frac{\text{error}}{\text{data}}\right) \ll 1$

hides serious model problems in spectrum ratios

published errors



lies, damn lies and statistics...  
Disraeli

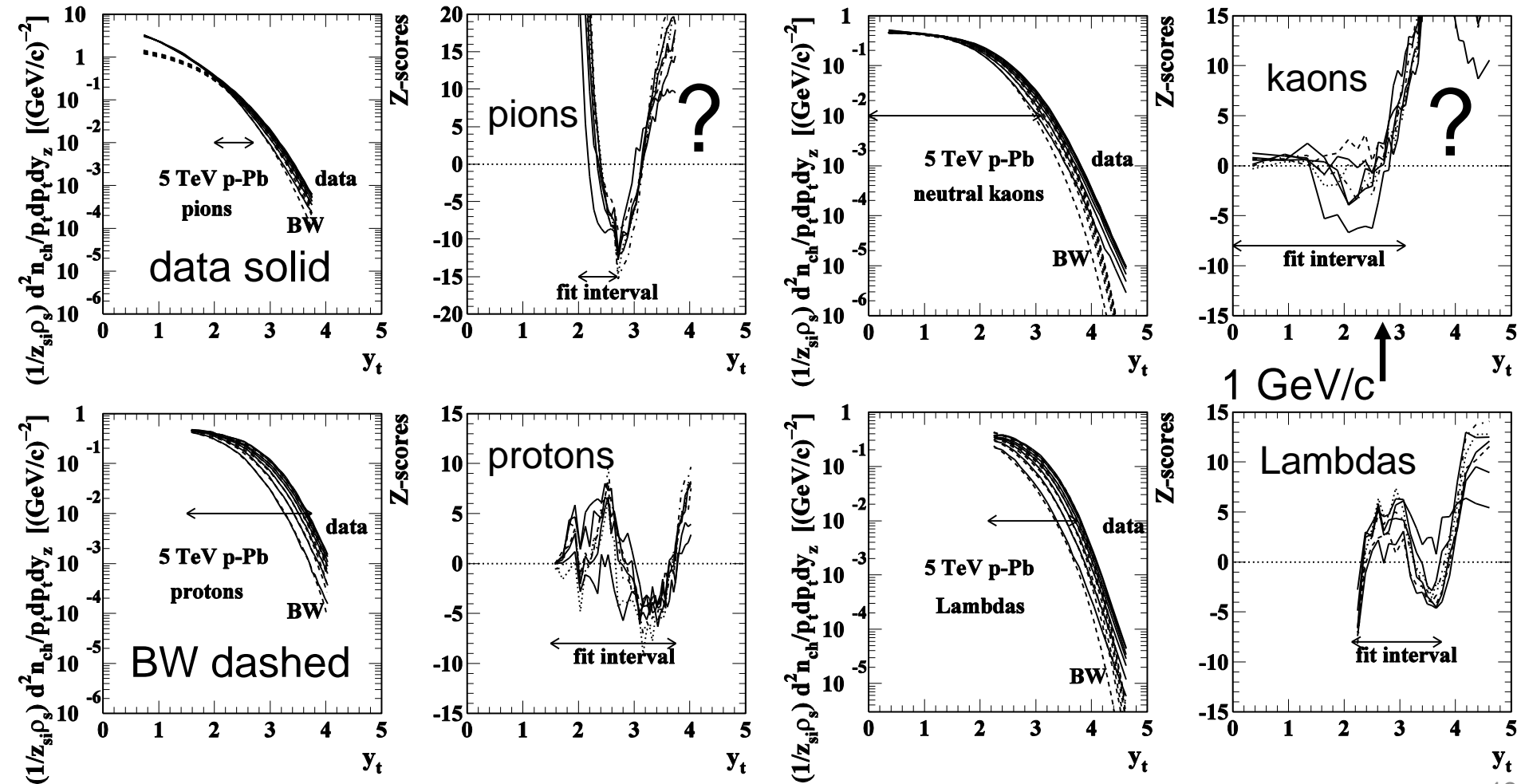
$$\chi^2 = \sum_i Z_i^2$$

conveys little information, may be deceptive

# Z-Scores with Statistical Errors

BW model with fitted parameter values from ALICE – 1307.6796

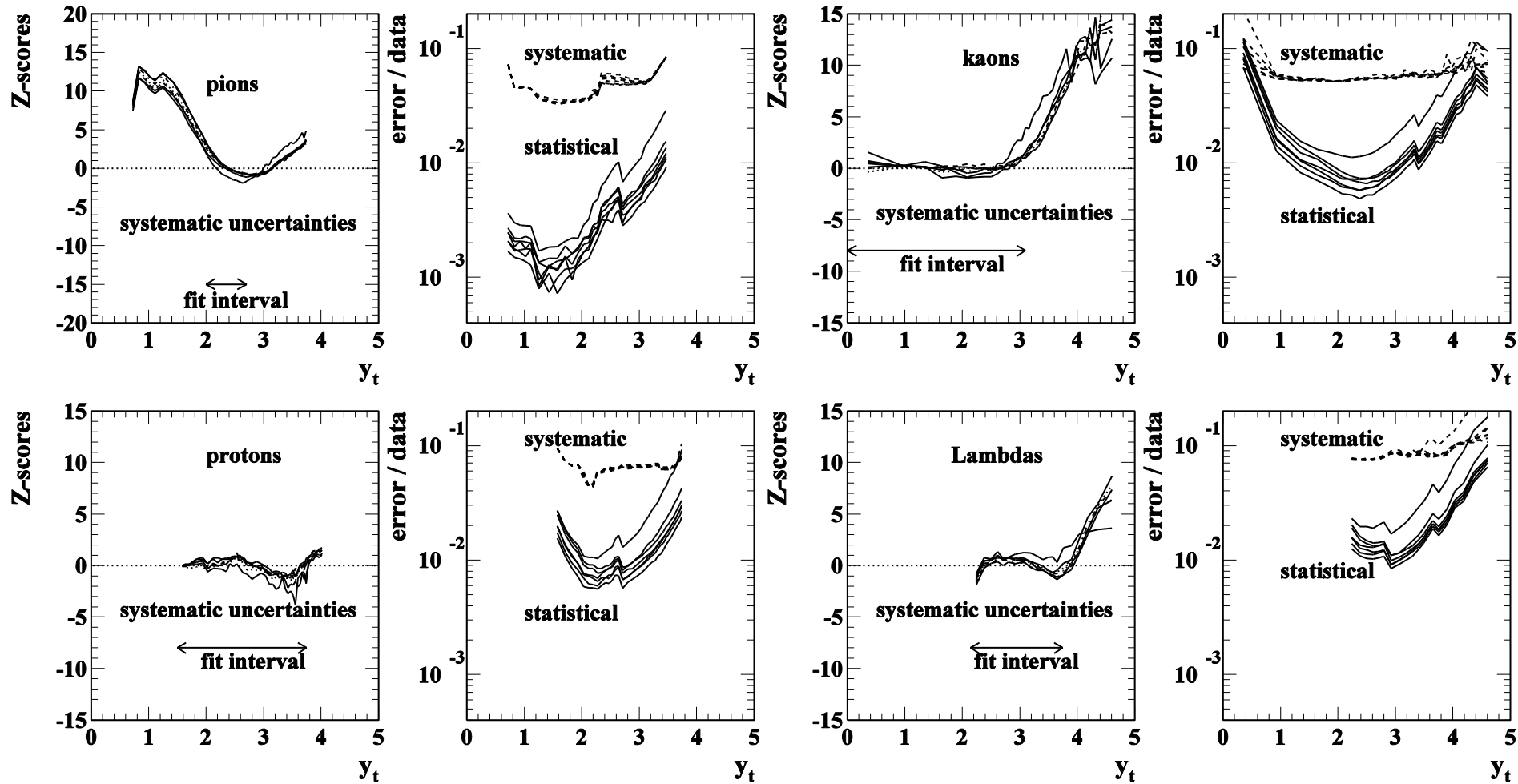
large *systematic* deviations falsify BW model



# Z-Scores with Systematic Errors

BW Z-scores using published *total systematic* uncertainties

consistent with  $\chi^2$  values from 1307.6796

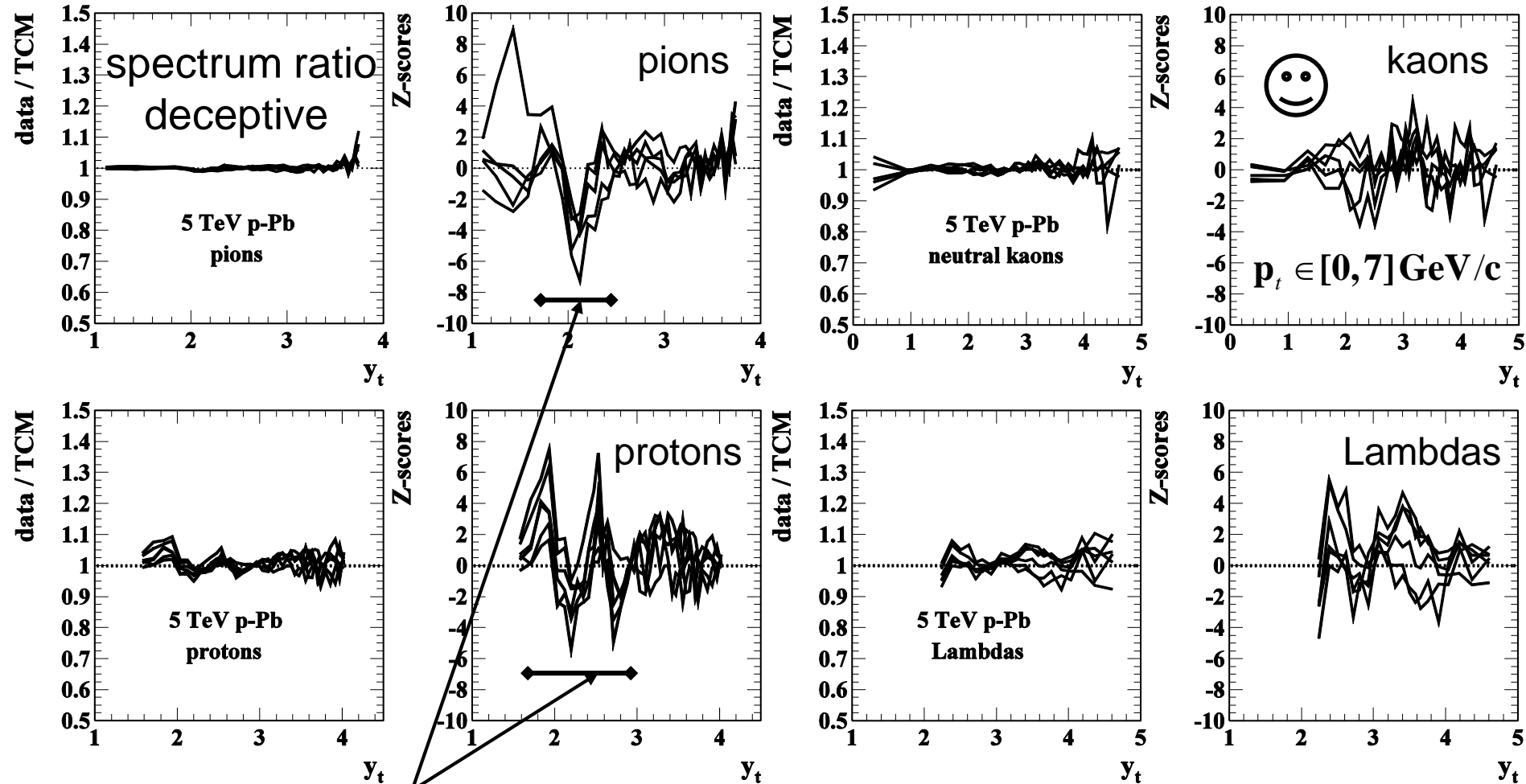


misleading impression of fit quality

# TCM Z-Scores with Statistical Errors

Z-scores acceptable, but with isolated excursions

TCM describes data over *entire detector acceptance*



correlated across  $n_{ch}$  bins, uncorrelated across  $y_t$  bins

# Are Small Systems Elementary?

evidence for “collectivity” in small A-B?

- TCM
- Blast-wave model fits  $\rightarrow$  radial flow  $\otimes$
  - “Hardening” of PID  $p_t$  spectra – more so for protons  $\otimes$
  - $\rightarrow$  “Mass-ordering fingerprint”  $\rightarrow$  e.g.  $v_2(p_t)$
  - The “ridge” in  $p$ - $p$  collisions and “ridges” in  $p$ -Pb
  - $v_2, v_3, v_4, \dots v_n$  “higher harmonics” or cumulants

Small System Collectivity in Relativistic  
Hadronic and Nuclear Collisions

J. Nagle and W. Zajc

Ann. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci **68**, 211 (2018)

“The field of R.H.I.P is in the midst of a revolution...driven by the  
*experimental observation of **flow-like features*** in...small hadronic systems.”

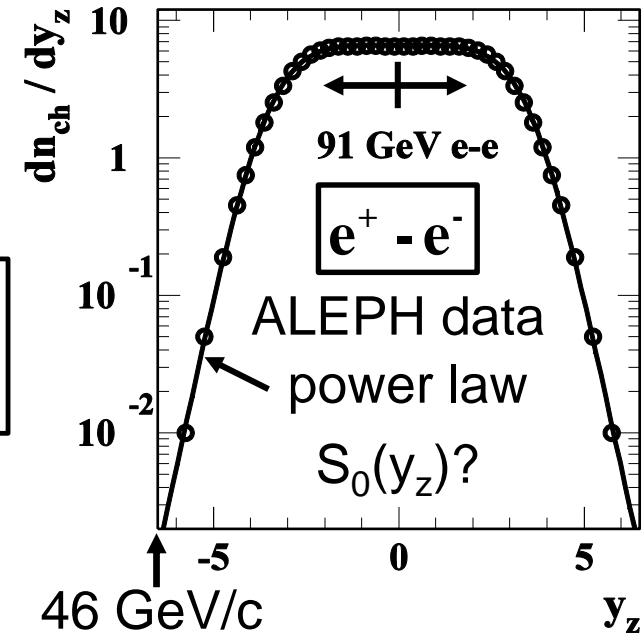
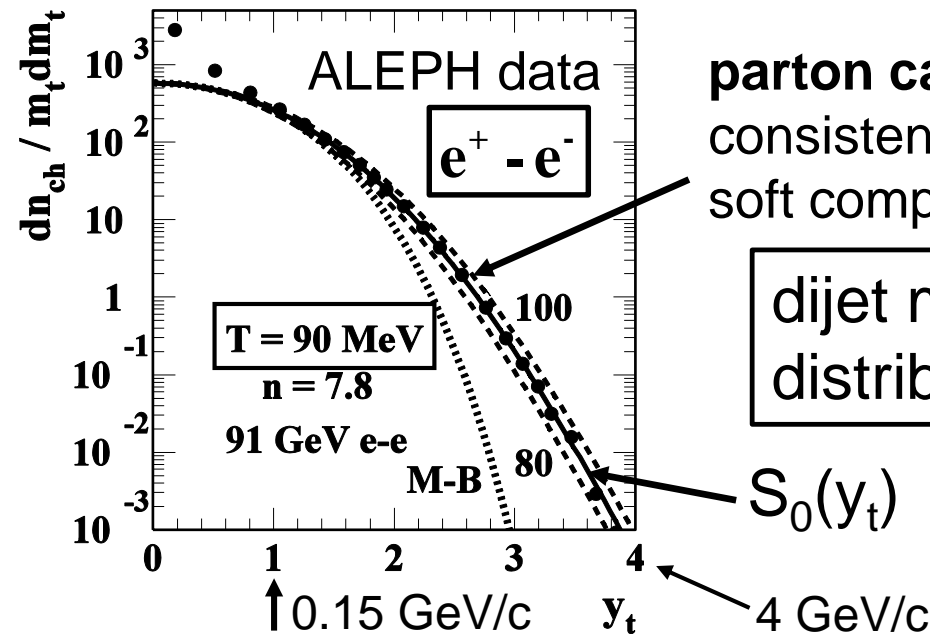
# Elementary Collisions – Dijets

$$p\text{-Pb}, p\text{-p?} \longrightarrow \boxed{e^+ - e^- \rightarrow Z \rightarrow q - \bar{q}}$$

91.25 GeV

$p_t$  spectrum *perpendicular* to dijet thrust axis well described by TCM  $S_0$

$p_z$  distribution *parallel* to dijet thrust axis consistent with soft component



radial  
flow?

D. Buskulic *et al.* Z Phys C **55**, 209 (1992)

**“flow-like features”**

Bjorken  
expansion?



# Summary

- Model-independent shape measures falsify BW
- Proper (statistical error) Z-scores falsify BW model
- BW flow parameter mimics nonjet soft component
- BW parameters fail to describe dijet contribution
- p-Pb data features are consistent with  $e^+e^-$  data
- Each TCM component represents parton cascades

No flow or “collectivity” in small systems

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