

Phenomenological Implications of
the p_T spectra of ϕ and Ω produced
at LHC and RHIC

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Outline

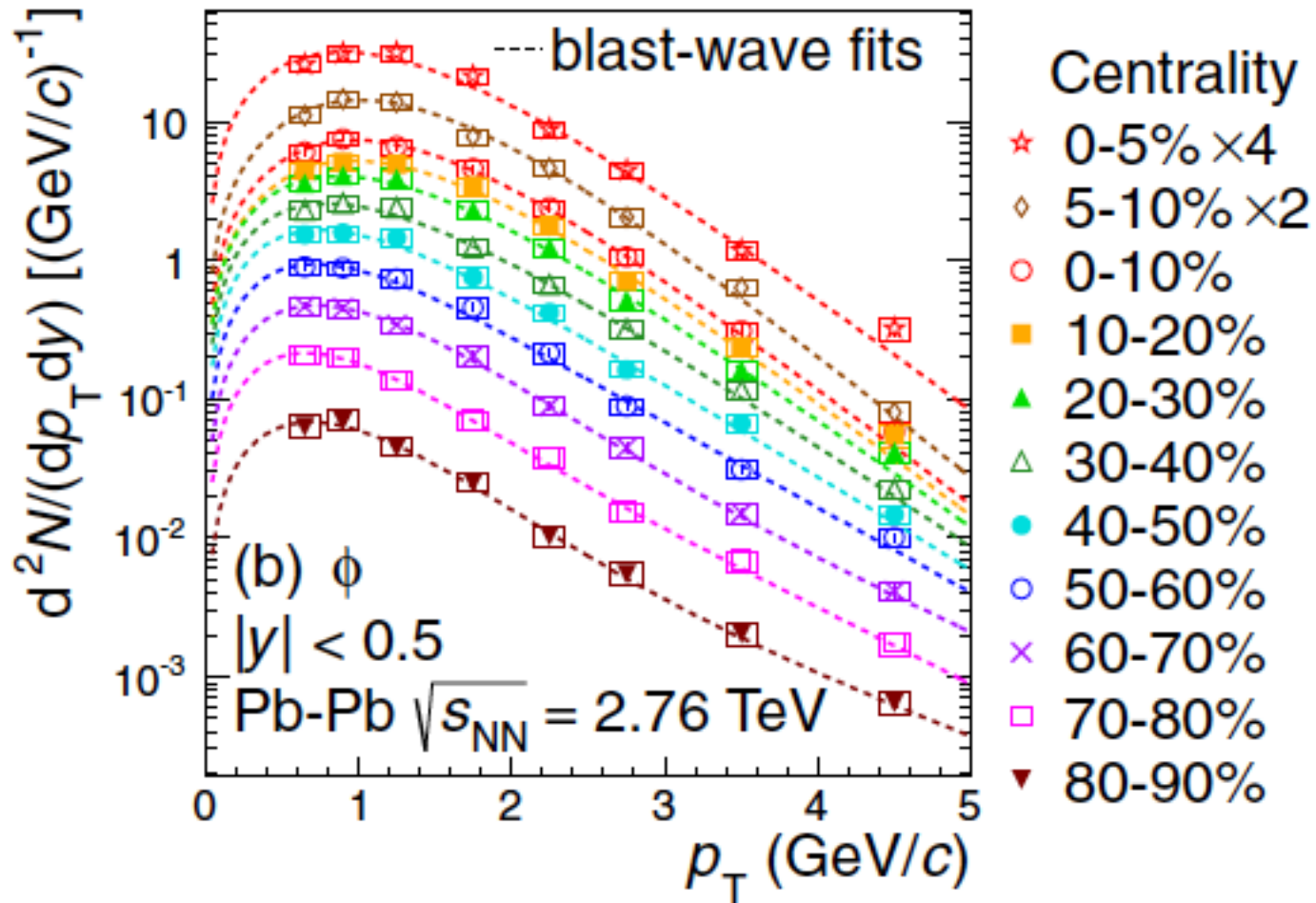
Nature of this talk

- Mostly data
- Search for simplicity and regularity
- Not much theory
- Implications

more far-reaching than ϕ and Ω themselves

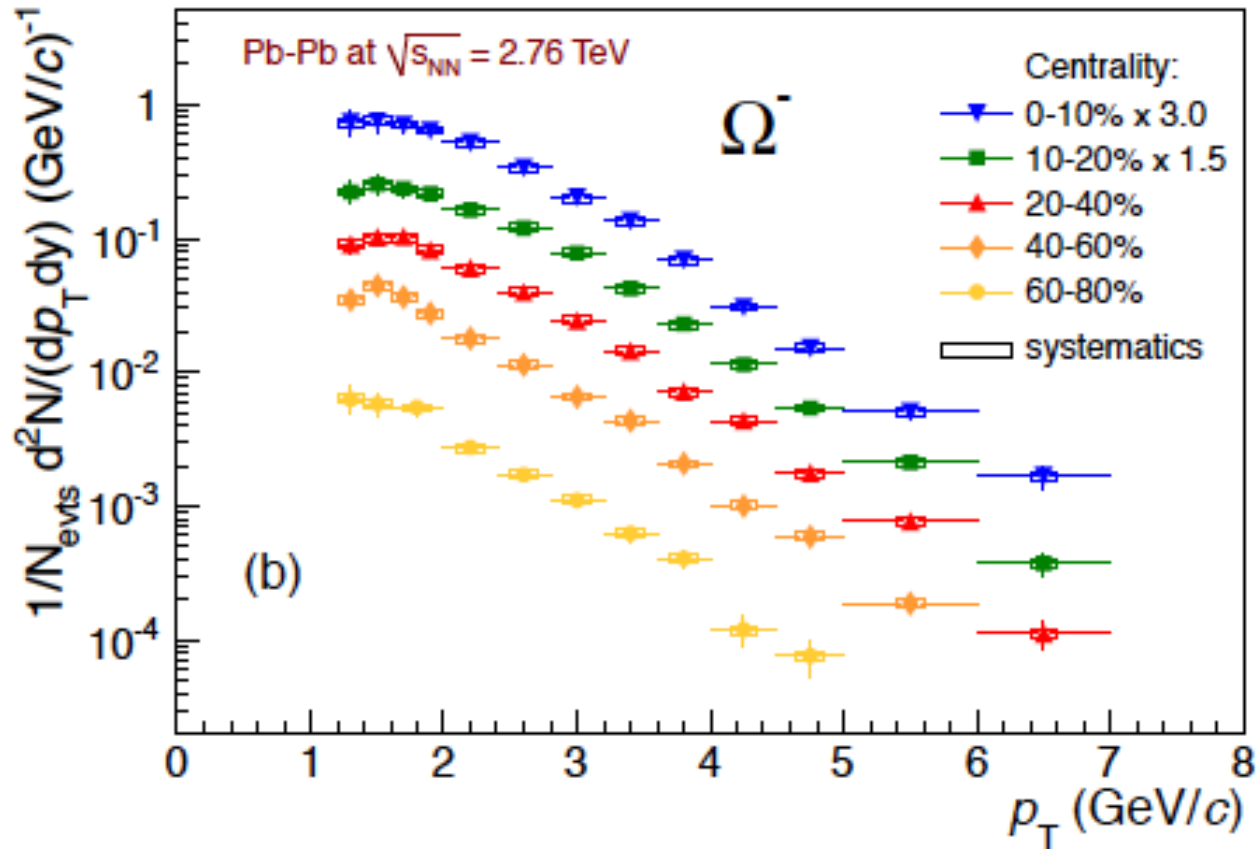
Work done in collaboration with
Lilin Zhu (Sichuan University)

ϕ production at LHC --- ALICE Phys. Rev. C 91, 024609 (2015)



$$\frac{1}{p_T} \frac{dN}{dp_T} \propto \int_0^R r dr m_T I_0 \left(\frac{p_T \sinh \rho}{T_{kin}} \right) K_1 \left(\frac{m_T \cosh \rho}{T_{kin}} \right), \quad \rho = \tanh^{-1} \beta_T = \tanh^{-1} \left[\left(\frac{r}{R} \right)^n \beta_s \right]$$

Ω^- production at LHC



ALICE PLB 728, 216 (2014)

A different presentation of data

Mesons

$$\frac{dN_h}{p_T dp_T} \sim \frac{m_T^h}{p_T} \quad \cup \quad M_h(p_T) \quad (\text{GeV}/c)^{-2}$$



usual presentation
of data



modified presentation
of data

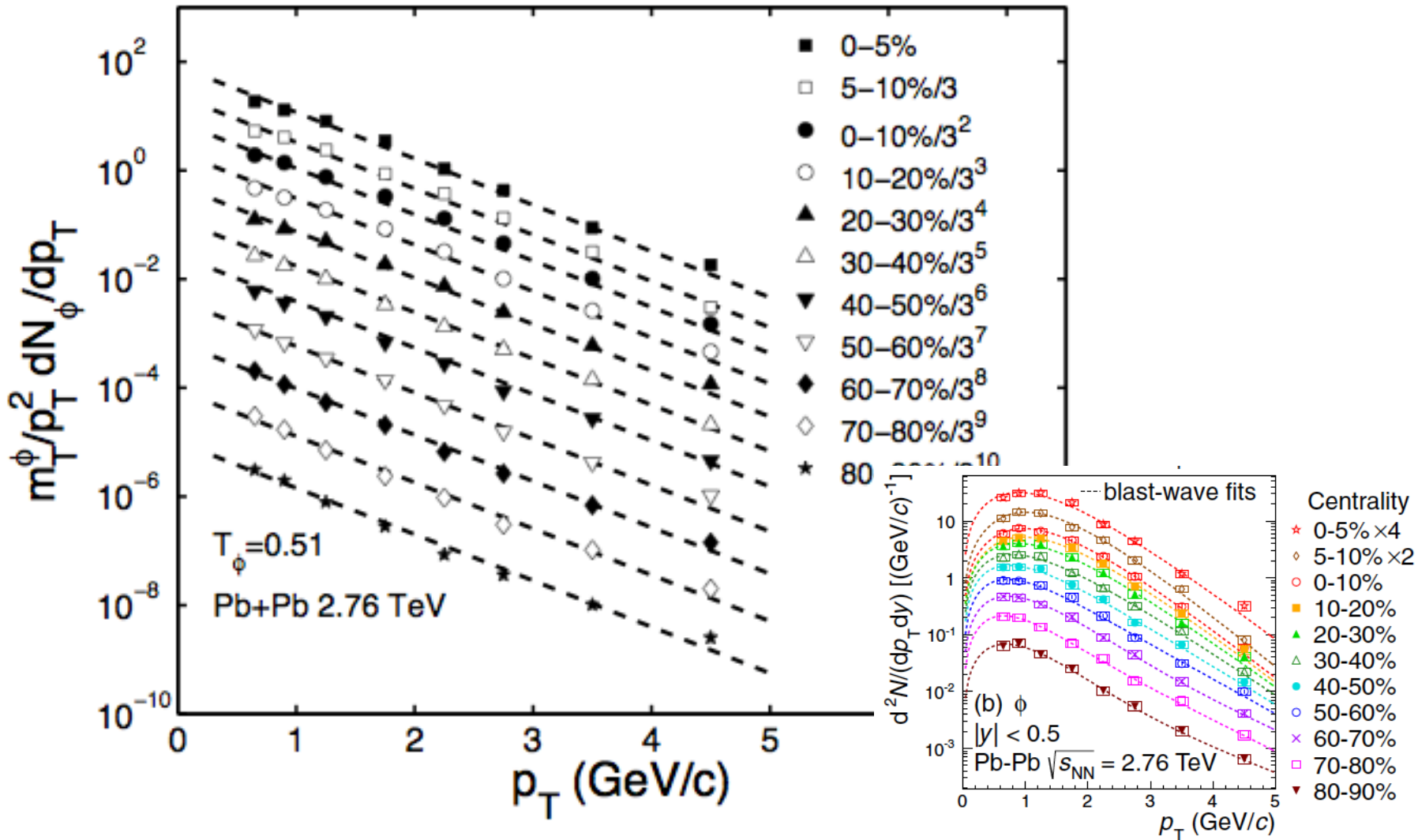
Baryons

$$\frac{dN_h}{p_T dp_T} \sim \frac{m_T^h}{p_T^2} \quad \cup \quad B_h(p_T) \quad (\text{GeV}/c)^{-3}$$



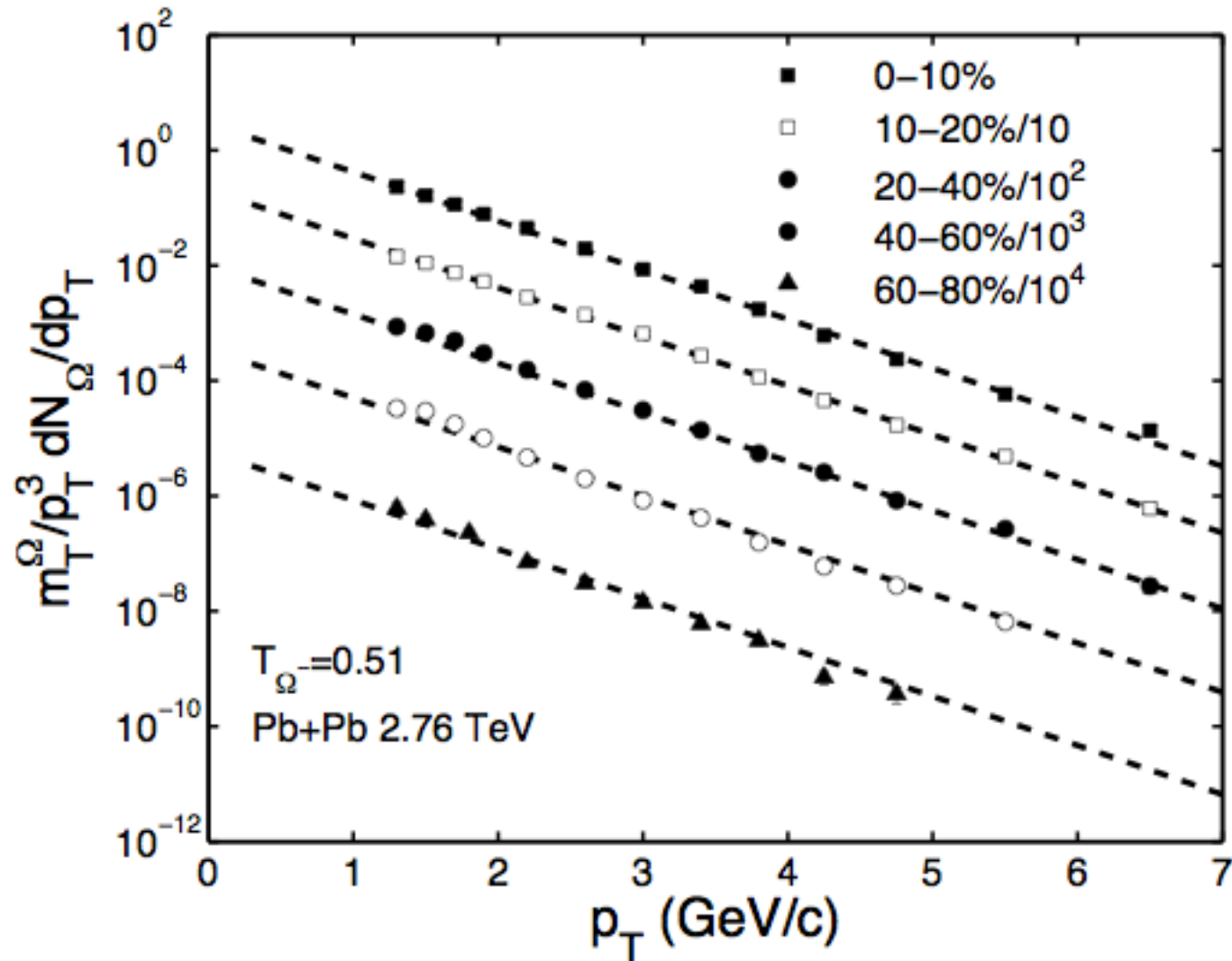
different
dimensions

$$M_f(p_T, N_{part})$$



One parameter: Inverse slope T_ϕ for all centralities

$$B_W(p_T, N_{part})$$



One parameter: Inverse slope T_Ω for all centralities

- No theory
- $T_\phi = T_\Omega$ same inverse slope for M_ϕ and B_Ω of different dimensions
- Exponential in p_T \supset thermal, out to $p_T=6$ GeV/c!

$$M_f(p_T, N_{part}) = A_f(N_{part}) \exp\left(-\frac{p_T}{T_f}\right)$$

$$B_W(p_T, N_{part}) = A_W(N_{part}) \exp\left(-\frac{p_T}{T_W}\right)$$

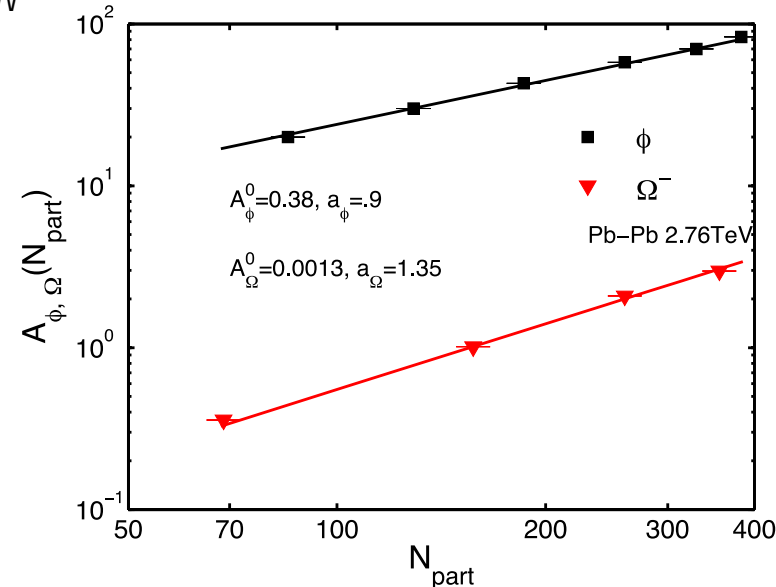
p_T and N_{part} dependencies are factorizable

Centrality dependence

$$A_f(N_{part}) = A_f^0 N_{part}^{a_f}$$

$$A_W(N_{part}) = A_W^0 N_{part}^{a_W}$$

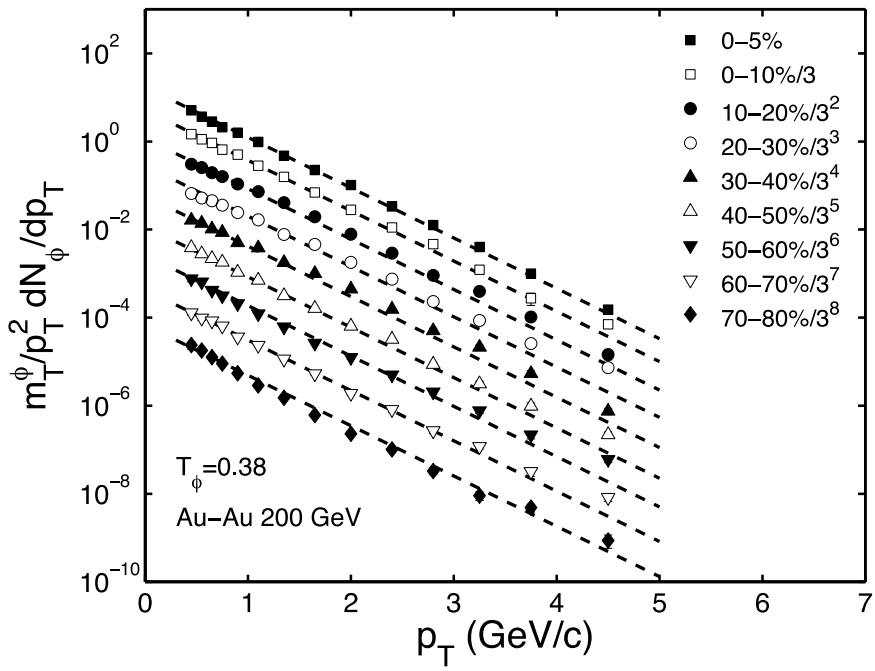
$$a_\phi = 0.9, \quad a_\Omega = 1.35$$



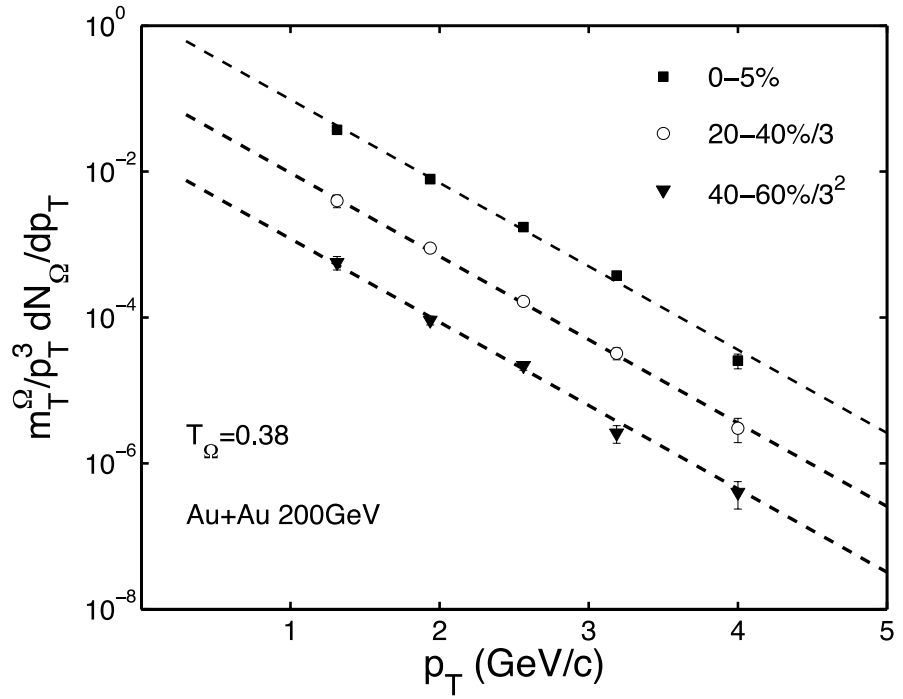
That is for LHC energy at 2.76 TeV, but true also for nearly all lower energies.

At RHIC 200 GeV

ϕ

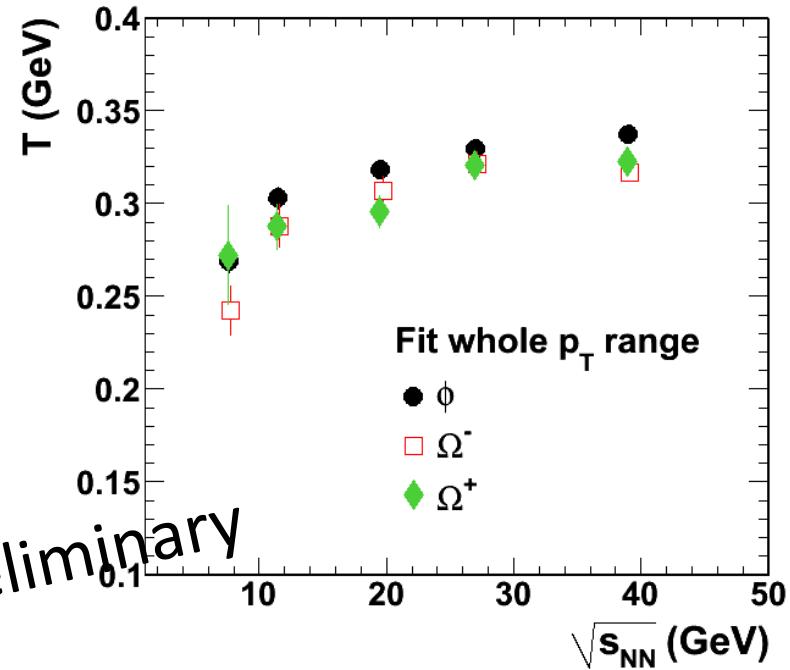
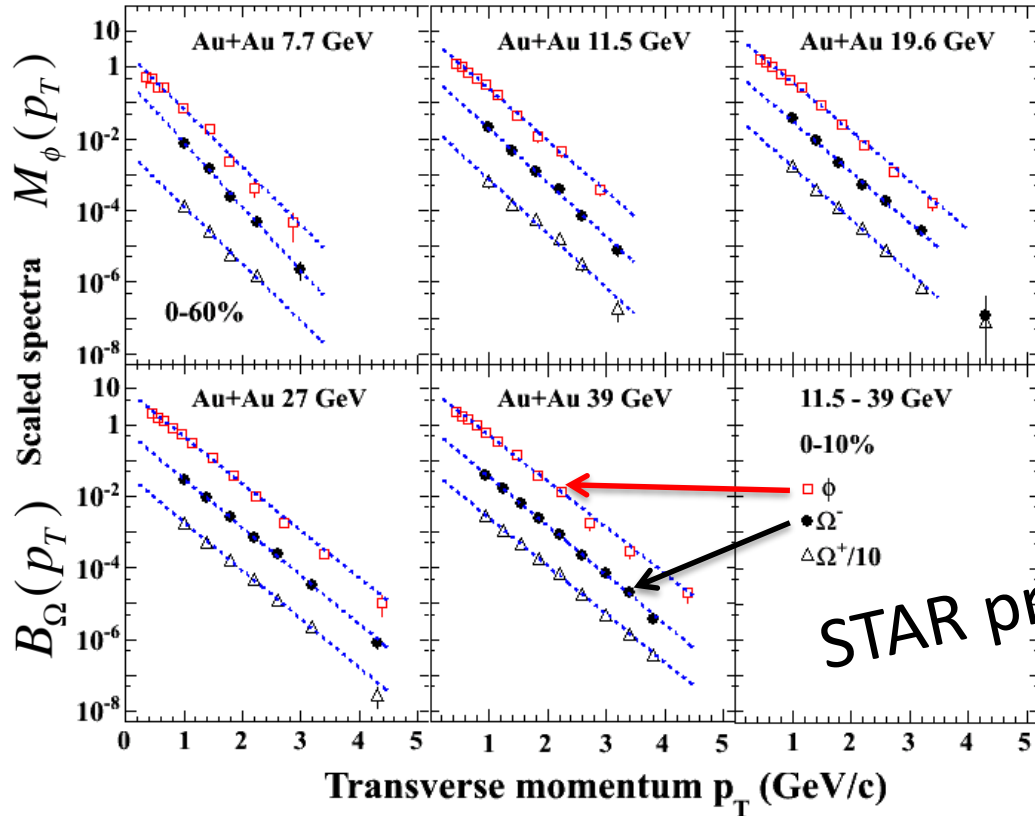


Ω

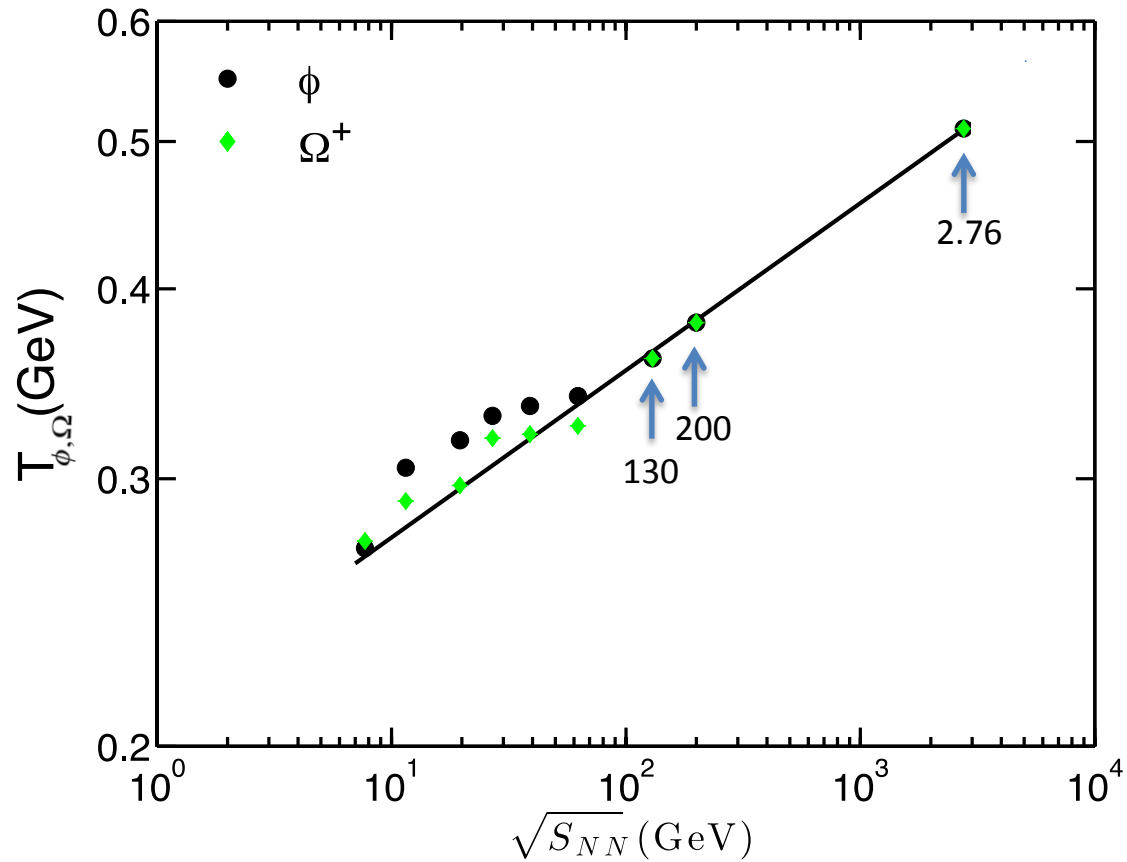


and at 130 GeV

$$7.7 \leq \sqrt{s_{NN}} \leq 39 \text{ GeV}$$



Courtesy of Xiaoping Zhang (STAR)



Prediction without theory

At $\sqrt{s}=5.02$ TeV, $T_{\phi\Omega}=0.54$ GeV for $0 < p_T < 7$ GeV/c,
 $N_{\text{part}} > 100$

The simple description works very well for ϕ and Ω because s quarks are suppressed in jet fragmentation.

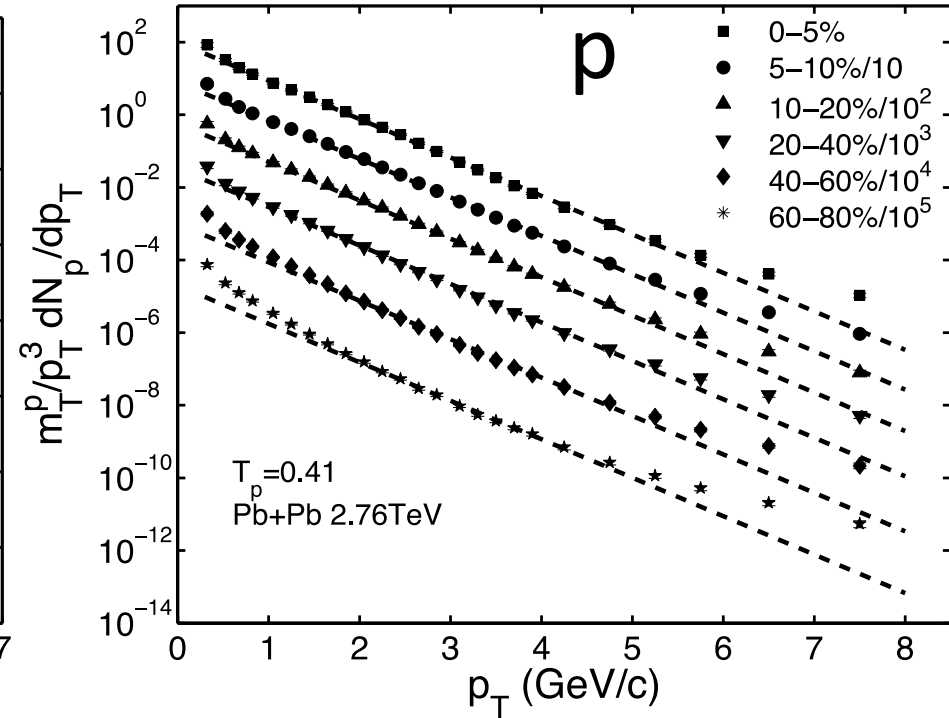
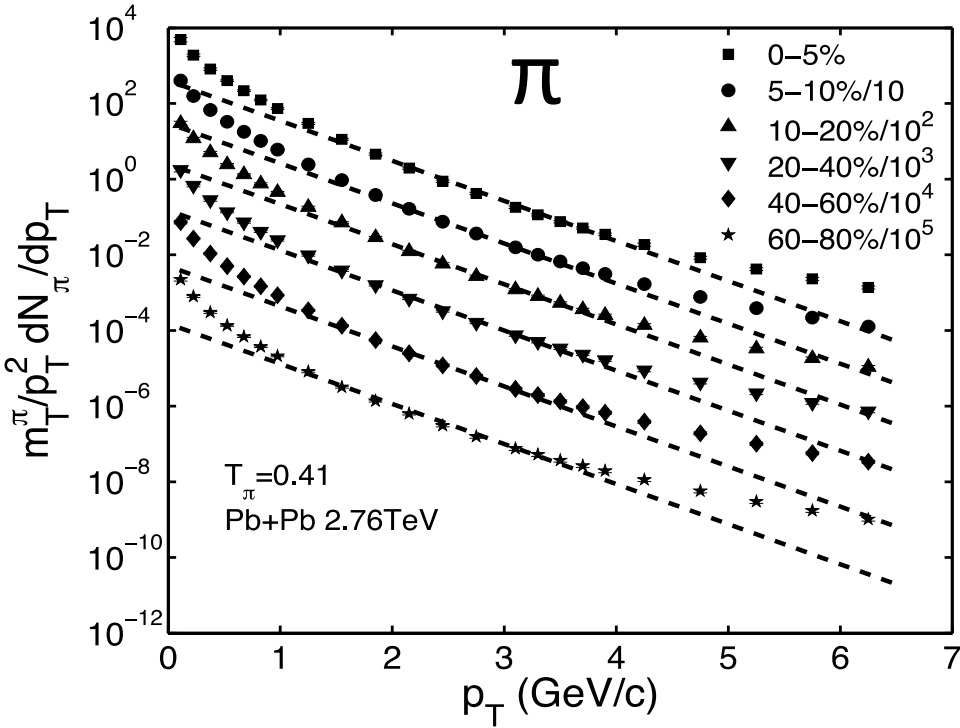
There are few s quarks in parton showers.

$TT + \cancel{TS} + \cancel{SS}$ $TTT + \cancel{TTS} + \cancel{TSS} + \cancel{SSS}$

The situation is different for light quarks.

- u, d quarks dominate parton showers
- hard partons generate soft pions
- semihard partons (minijets) give rise to soft partons in medium
- resonance decays
- + ...

ALICE 2.76 TeV

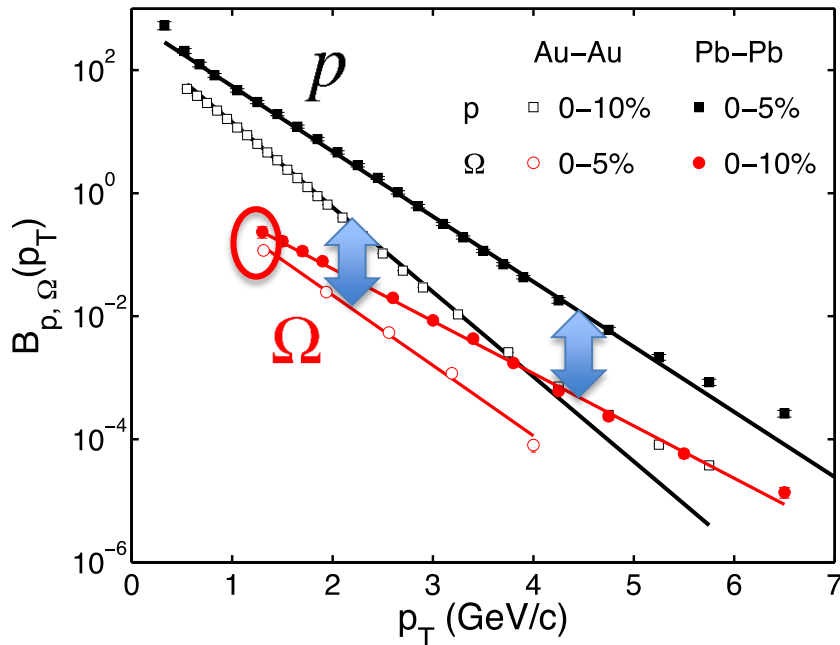


The origin of $M_f(p_T, N_{part})$ and $B_W(p_T, N_{part})$ can be found in the Recombination Model.

It can be shown that $T_\phi = T_\Omega$.

(2 slides at the end)

Continue with phenomenological observations.



ALICE PRC **93**, 034913 (2016)
 PLB **728**, 216 (2014)

STAR PRC **88**, 024906 (2013)
 PRL **98**, 062301 (2007)

Not much change at low p_T .
 Not what hydro can explain.

No mention of **flow**.

No need for radial velocity, T_{kin} ,
 blast wave, etc.

We are concerned about the physics that make sense for p_T up
 to 7 GeV/c.

Compare the data of Ω to p .

$$\Delta T = T_{\Omega} - T_p = 65 \text{ MeV (Au-Au 200 GeV)}$$

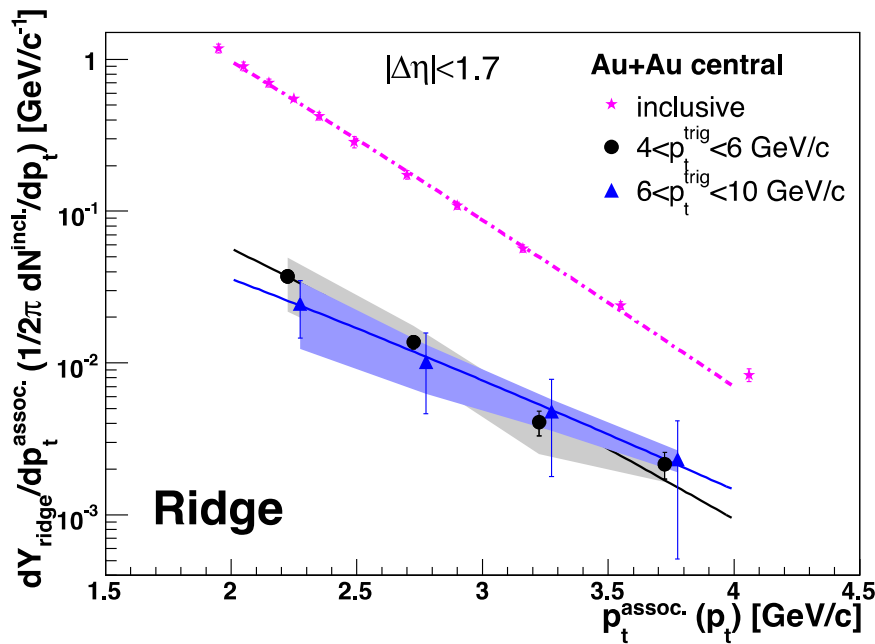
$$= 100 \text{ MeV (Pb-Pb 2.76 TeV)}$$

Ridge

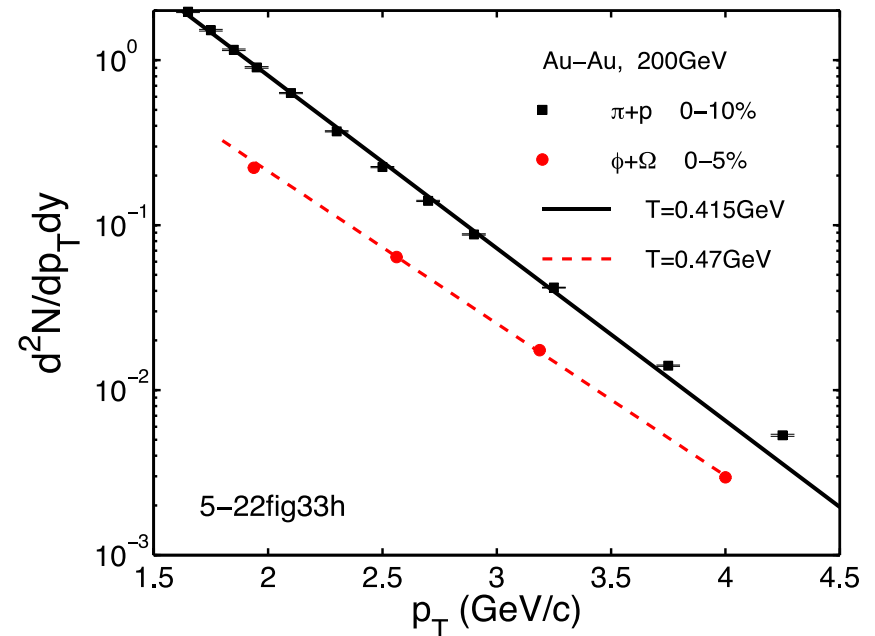
Recall the original discovery of Ridge by STAR --- J. Putschke at QM06

STAR PRC **80**, 064912 (2009)

Identified, un-triggered

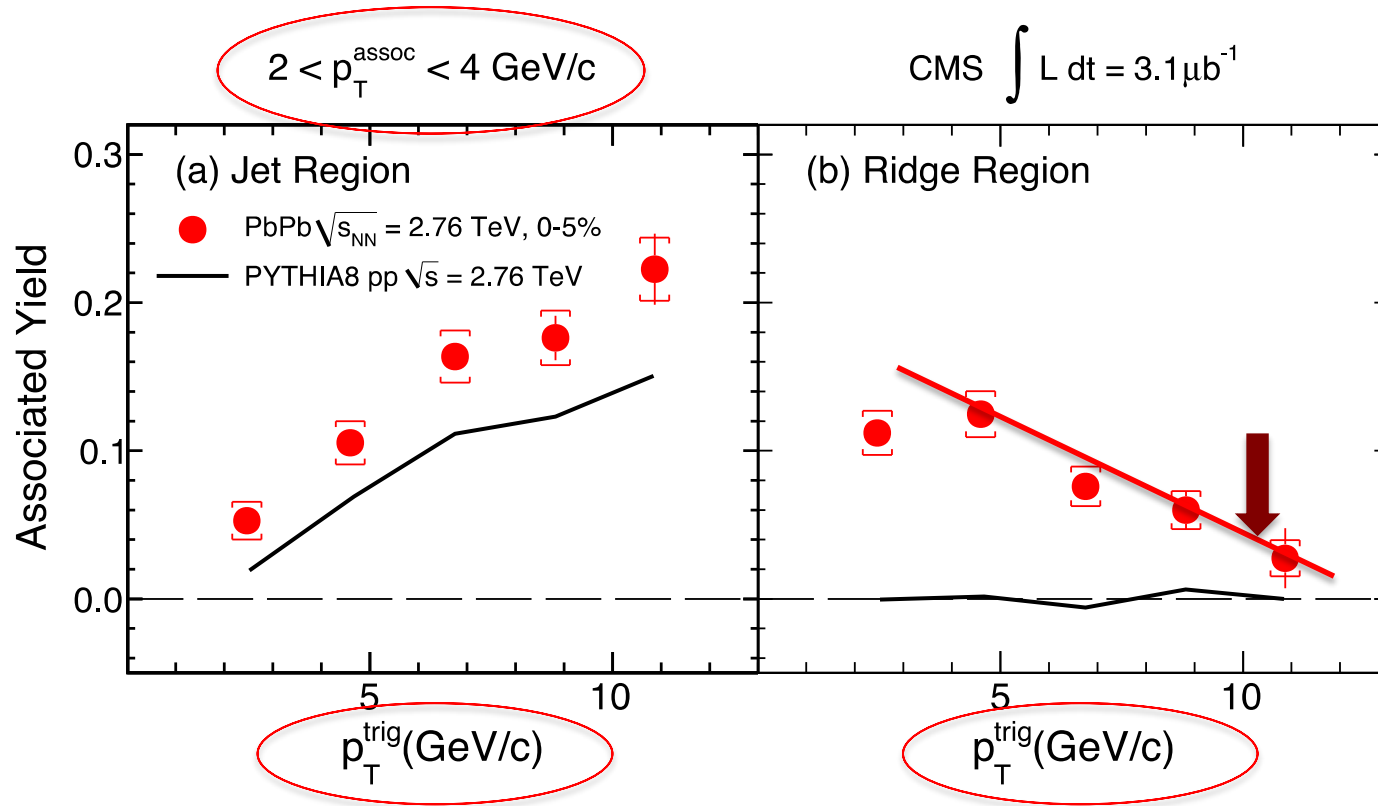


$$\Delta T = 40 - 50 \text{ MeV}$$



$$\Delta T = 55 \text{ MeV}$$

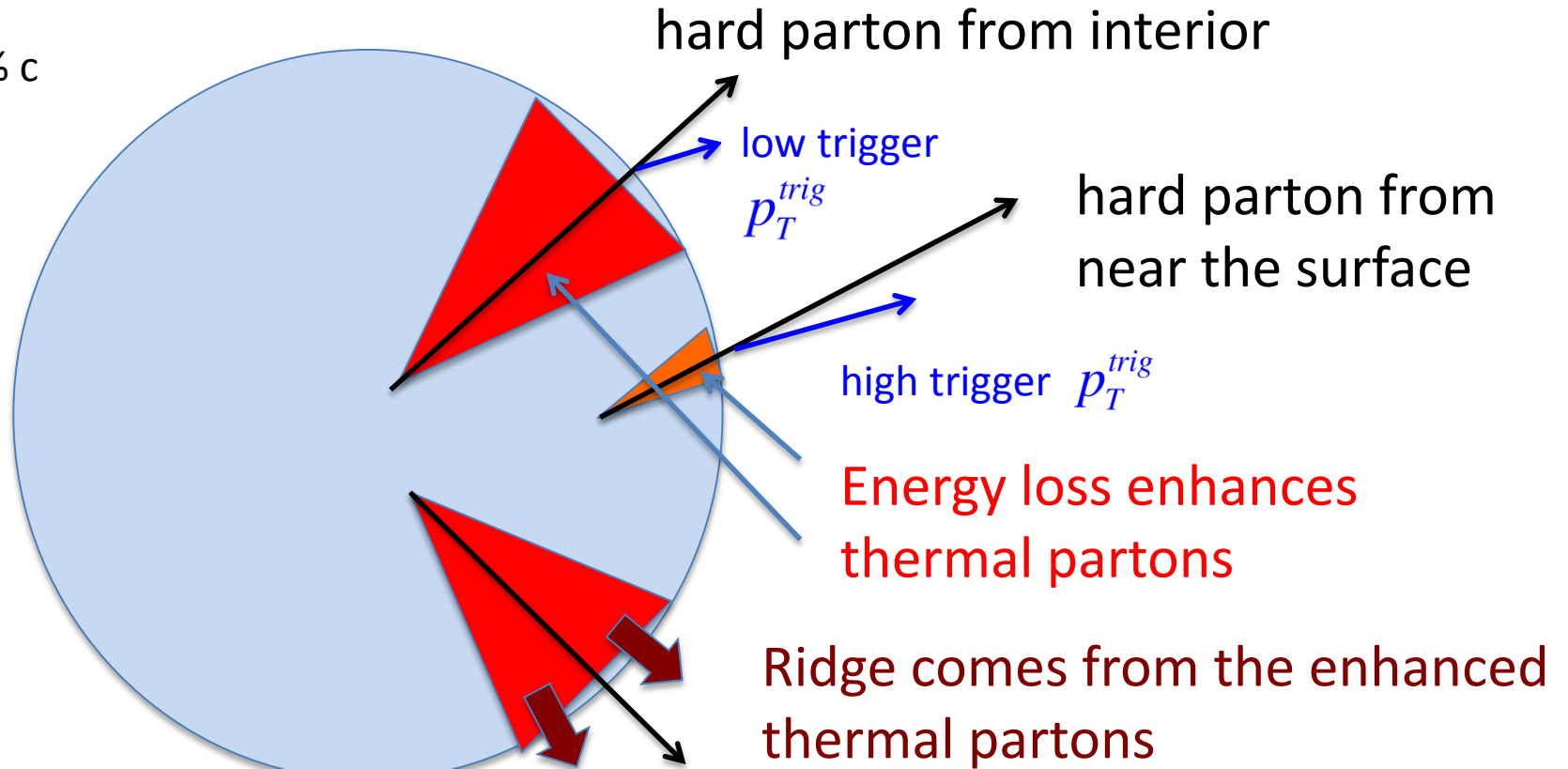
So far no LHC data on p_T^{assoc} dependence of Ridge.



Ridge is suppressed at high trigger p_T .

Transverse plane

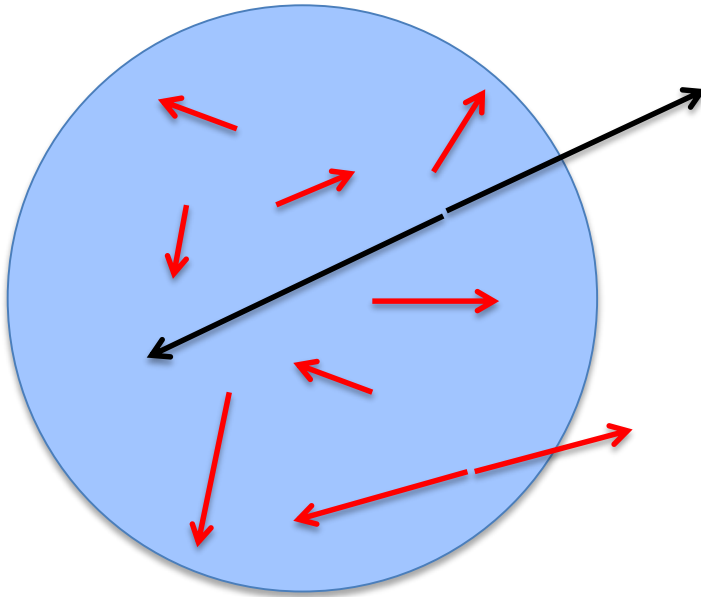
0-5% c



Thus ridge yield is suppressed at high p_T^{trig}

ϕ and Ω are in the Ridge with higher T

Jets and Ridges are in all events, whether triggered or not.



For every hard parton that emerges, there may be a partner that traverses the whole medium without emerging.

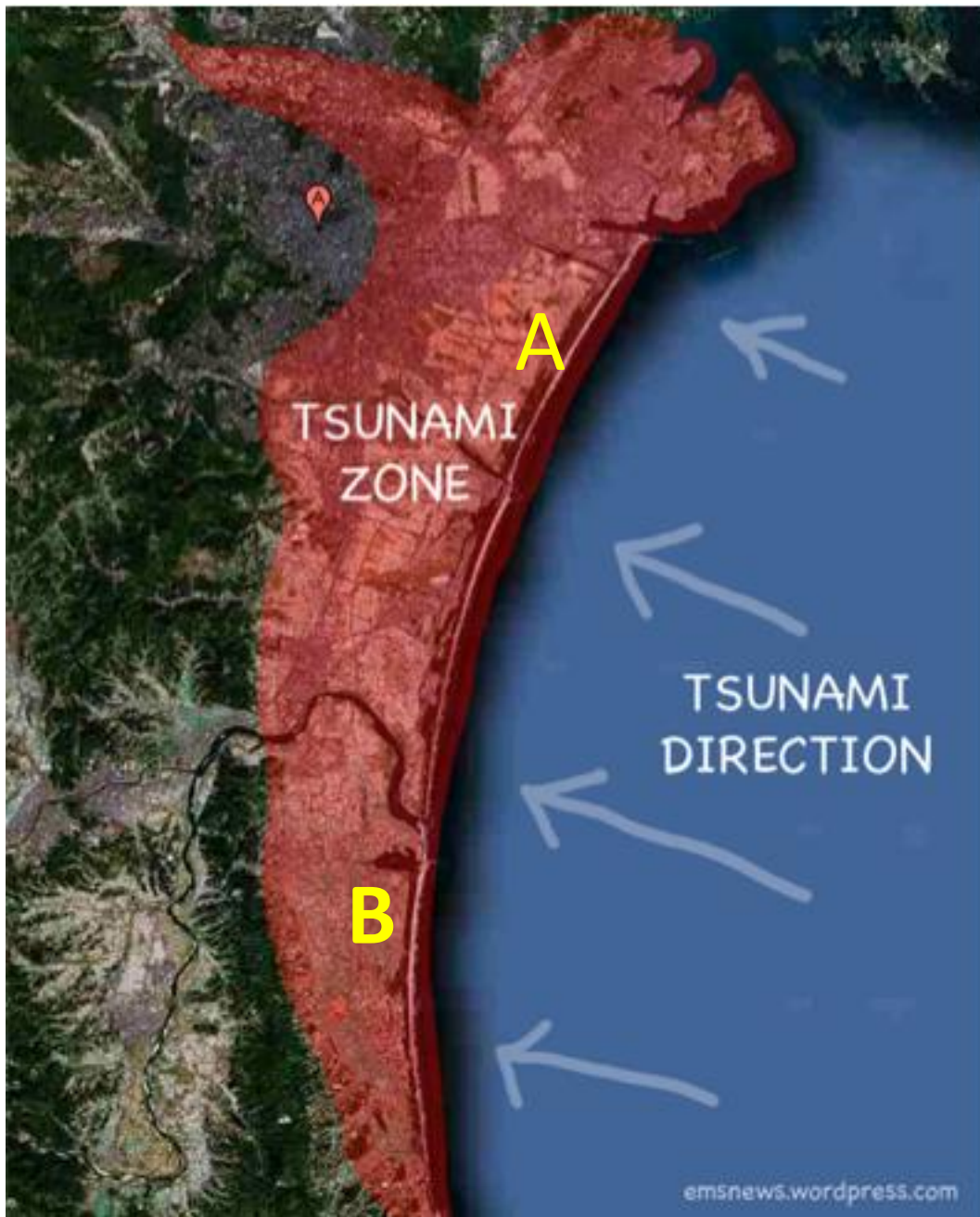
The energy-losing processes take time, since partons can take 10 fm/c to traverse ...

There can be many semihard partons, copiously produced at LHC, that can alter the thermal description throughout the evolution.

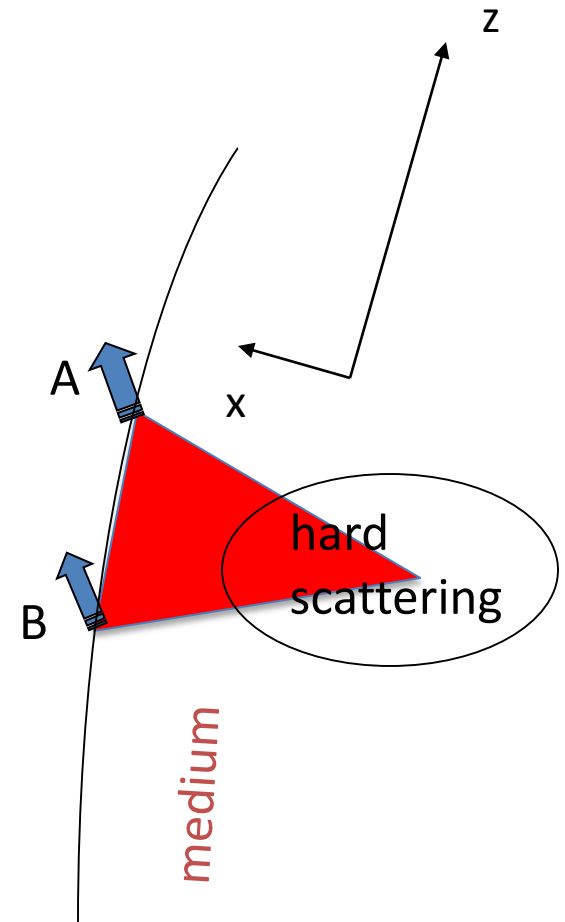
Hard and soft processes are intricately mixed.

Ridge-tsunami analogy





A & B are not longitudinally correlated, but are “vertically” correlated, when a tsunami strikes.



Ridge is analogous to tsunami.

Rising tide raises all boats

SUMMARY

- Mainly empirical observations
- Not much theory
- ϕ and Ω are special, since they receive no contribution from jet fragmentation
- No need for flow, radial velocity, or blast wave
- Usual hydrodynamics cannot generate thermal s quark distribution out to 4 GeV/c
- It is suggested that ϕ and Ω are to be found in the Ridge.

We need more experimental and theoretical verification of that idea.

Derivation of $M_f(p_T, N_{part})$ and $B_W(p_T, N_{part})$
in the Recombination Model.

In the Recombination Model

Invariant distribution at hadronization at $y \approx 0$

$$E \frac{dN_f}{dp_T} = \int \frac{dp_1}{p_1} \frac{dp_2}{p_2} \mathcal{T}_s(p_1) \mathcal{T}_{\bar{s}}(p_2) R_f(p_1, p_2, p_T)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{T}_s(p_1) &= p_1^0 \frac{dN_s}{dp_1} = C_s p_1 e^{-p_1/T_s} \quad C_{\bar{s}} p_2 e^{-p_2/T_s} \quad R_\phi^0 \left(\frac{p_1}{p_T}, \frac{p_2}{p_T} \right) \delta \left(\frac{p_1 + p_2}{p_T} - 1 \right) \\ &= C_s C_{\bar{s}} e^{-p_T/T_s} p_T^2 \underbrace{\int dz_1 dz_2 R_\phi^0(z_1, z_2) \delta(z_1 + z_2 - 1)}_{Z_\phi} \quad z_i = p_i / p_T \end{aligned}$$

$$\underbrace{\frac{m_T}{p_T}}_{\text{circled}} \frac{dN_\phi}{p_T dp_T} = C_s C_{\bar{s}} Z_\phi e^{-p_T/T_s} \quad \left[T_s = T_\phi \right]$$

$$M_\phi(p_T, N_{part}) = A_\phi(N_{part}) e^{-p_T/T_\phi}$$

Similarly, **Baryons**

$$E \frac{dN_{\Omega}}{dp_T dy} \Big|_{y=0} = \int \frac{dp_1}{p_1} \frac{dp_2}{p_2} \frac{dp_3}{p_3} \mathcal{T}_s(p_1) \mathcal{T}_s(p_2) \mathcal{T}_s(p_3) R_{\Omega}(p_1, p_2, p_3, p_T)$$

$$= p_T^3 C_s^3 Z_{\Omega} e^{-p_T/T_s}$$

exponential in p_T

$$T_W = T_s = T_f$$

$$\frac{m_T^{\Omega}}{p_T^2} \frac{dN_{\Omega}}{p_T dp_T}$$

$$= A_{\Omega}(N_{part}) e^{-p_T/T_{\Omega}}$$

$$B_{\Omega}(p_T, N_{part})$$

$$A_W \propto C_s^3$$

$$A_f \propto C_s C_{\bar{s}} = C_s^2$$

3:2

Expected in
Recombination
model

Empirical

$$A_W \propto N_{part}^{a_W}, \quad a_W = 1.35$$

$$A_f \propto N_{part}^{a_f}, \quad a_f = 0.9$$

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Ω spectra are exponential
out to $p_T=6.5$ GeV/c

If it is thermal, randomness
would imply that particles
are uncorrelated.

But STAR has found hadrons
correlated to Ω triggers.

That can be explained by
 Ω being in the Ridge:
all particles in the Ridge
are correlated to the
trigger and to each other.

