

# Rapidity Fluctuations in the Initial State of Ultra-Relativistic Heavy-Ion Collisions

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## Motivation/new data

- Old story . . .
- New data from the LHC, new methodology (ATLAS notes 2015)
- Longitudinally-extended source model

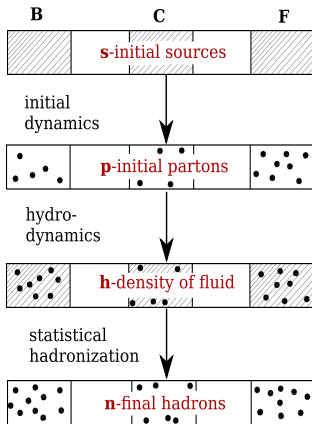
Goal: understand key elements from an analytic model  
anatomy of the correlations

Physics issues: production mechanism in the early stage,  
degrees of freedom, . . .

Based on [WB+ Piotr Bożek, arXiv:1512.01945]

# 3-stage approach

## Generation and propagation of e-by-e fluctuations



Concept of **sources**: wounded nucleons, quarks, flux tubes, ...

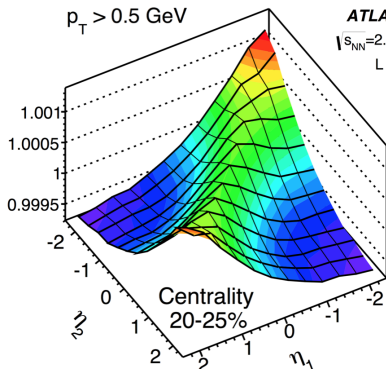
Hydro: provides mapping  $\eta_S \rightarrow \eta$

# New data

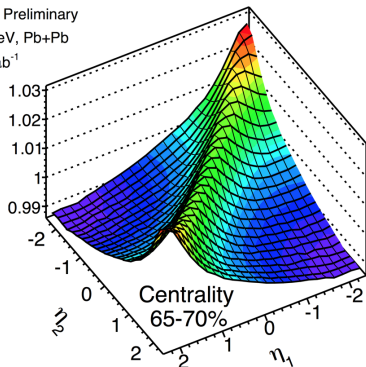
$$C(\eta_1, \eta_2) = \frac{\langle N(\eta_1, \eta_2) \rangle}{\langle N(\eta_1) \rangle \langle N(\eta_2) \rangle} = \frac{S(\eta_1, \eta_2)}{B(\eta_1, \eta_2)}$$

$$C_N(\eta_1, \eta_2) = \frac{C(\eta_1, \eta_2)}{C_p(\eta_1)C_p(\eta_2)}, \quad C_p(\eta_1) = \int d\eta_2 C(\eta_1, \eta_2), \quad C_p(\eta_2) = \dots$$

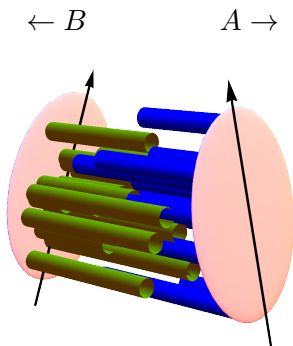
$\eta_1$  and  $\eta_2$  – pseudorapidities of different hadrons



**ATLAS** Preliminary  
 $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$  TeV, Pb+Pb  
 $L \approx 7 \mu\text{b}^{-1}$



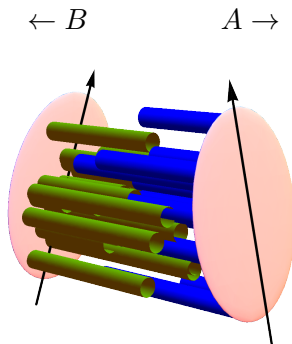
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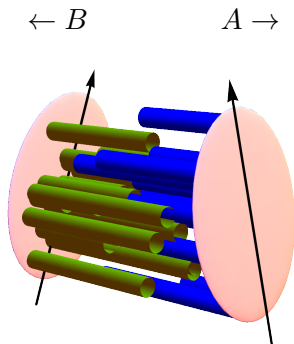
$f_{A,B}(\eta_i)$  and  $f_{A,B}(\eta_1, \eta_2)$  – probabilities of emission from a single source

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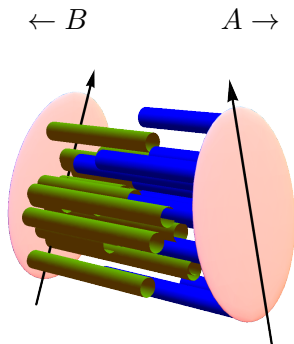
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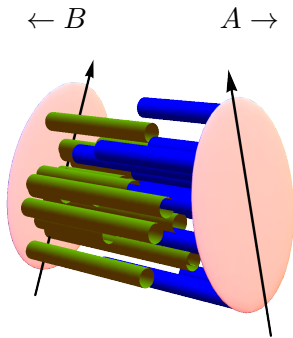
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Production is independent/uncorrelated, unless from the same source. However, even if  $\text{cov}_{A,B}(\eta_1, \eta_2) = 0$  we have nontrivial  $C(\eta_1, \eta_2)$  from the fluctuation of  $N_A$  and  $N_B$  [Bzdak+Teaney 2013]

## Rapidity-extended source model

Average number of particles:

$$\langle N(\eta) \rangle = \langle N_A \rangle \langle f_A(\eta) \rangle + \langle N_B \rangle \langle f_B(\eta) \rangle$$

Symmetric and antisymmetric parts (see next slide):

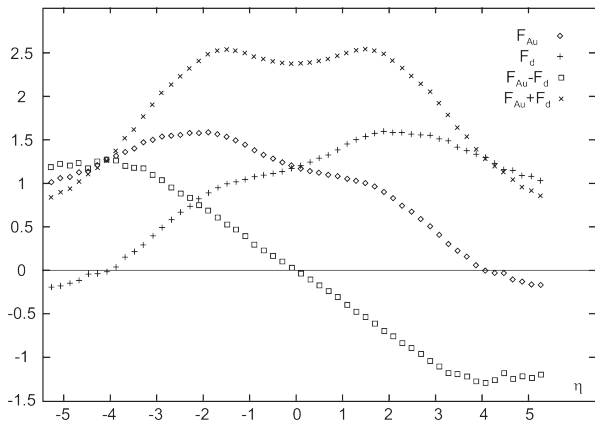
$$\langle f_A(\eta) \rangle = f_s(\eta) + f_a(\eta), \quad \langle f_B(\eta) \rangle = f_s(\eta) - f_a(\eta)$$

After elementary transformations ( $N_+ = N_A + N_B$ ,  $N_- = N_A - N_B$ )

$$\begin{aligned} C(\eta_1, \eta_2) &= 1 + \frac{1}{\langle N(\eta_1) \rangle \langle N(\eta_2) \rangle} \times \\ &\quad \left\{ \langle N_A \rangle \text{cov}_A(\eta_1, \eta_2) + \langle N_B \rangle \text{cov}_B(\eta_1, \eta_2) \right. \\ &\quad + \text{var}(N_+) f_s(\eta_1) f_s(\eta_2) + \text{var}(N_-) f_a(\eta_1) f_a(\eta_2) \\ &\quad \left. + [\text{var}(N_A) - \text{var}(N_B)] [f_s(\eta_1) f_a(\eta_2) + f_a(\eta_1) f_s(\eta_2)] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

# Białas-Czyż triangles

Charged hadron spectra in d+Au @ RHIC [Białas+Czyż 2004]



$$\langle f_A(\eta) \rangle = h(\eta) \frac{y_b + \eta}{2y_b}, \quad \langle f_B(\eta) \rangle = h(\eta) \frac{y_b - \eta}{2y_b}$$

Asymmetric profiles used ever since ...

## Observation by Bzdak and Teaney

Vanishing covariance, symmetric system, profiles from the previous slide:

$$\langle N_A \rangle = \langle N_B \rangle, \quad \text{var}(N_A) = \text{var}(N_B)$$

Then

$$C(\eta_1, \eta_2) = 1 + \frac{1}{\langle N_+ \rangle^2} \left[ \text{var}(N_+) + \text{var}(N_-) \frac{\eta_1}{y_b} \frac{\eta_2}{y_b} \right]$$

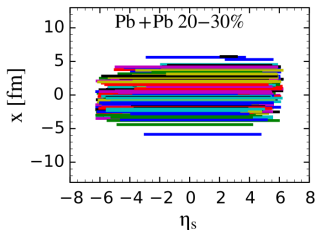
[Bzdak+Teaney 2013]

Fluctuations of  $N_A$  vs  $N_B$  cause the  $\eta_1 \eta_2$  structure in  $C(\eta_1, \eta_2)$

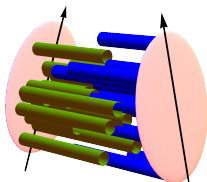
# Fluctuating length

- Idea: entropy deposition from wounded nucleons originates from string-like objects whose other end-point is randomly distributed in  $\eta$  (related to [Brodsky+Gunion+Kuhn 1977])
- *“Soft particle production in hadronic collisions is dominated by multiple gluon exchanges between partons from the colliding hadrons, followed by radiation of ... partons distributed uniformly in rapidity”* [Białas+Jeżabek 2004]
- Torque in p-A collisions (see talk by PB) [PB+WB+Moreira 2011, PB+WB, arXiv:1506.02817]
- Similar ideas in [Monnai+Schenke, arXiv:1509.04103]
- Built-in into existing models/codes

e.g., HIJING [L.-G. Pang, QM2015]:



# What it yields?



$$f_A(\eta; y) = \theta(y < \eta < y_b), \quad f_B(\eta; y) = \theta(-y_b < \eta < -y)$$

(uniform string fragmentation function)

Random end  $y$  is uniformly selected from  $[-y_b, y_b]$ , where  $y_b$  is the beam rapidity

Averaging over  $y \rightarrow$  "triangles":

$$\langle f_{A,B}(\eta) \rangle = \int_{-y_b}^{y_b} \frac{dy}{2y_b} f_{A,B}(\eta; y) = \frac{y_b \pm \eta}{2y_b}$$



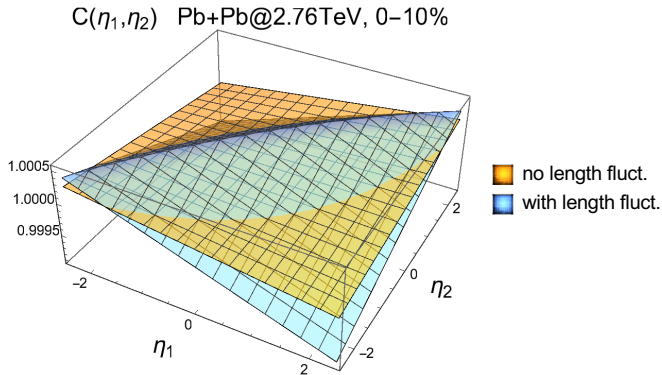
Correlations from length fluctuations:

$$\langle f_{A,B}(\eta_1, \eta_2) \rangle = \int_{-y_b}^{y_b} dy f_{A,B}(\eta_1; y) f_{A,B}(\eta_2; y) = \frac{y_b \pm \min(\eta_1, \eta_2)}{2y_b}$$

$$\text{COV}_{A,B}(\eta_1, \eta_2) = \frac{y_b^2 - \eta_1 \eta_2 - y_b |\eta_1 - \eta_2|}{4y_b^2}$$

## Results for $C$

$$\bar{C}(\eta_1, \eta_2) = \frac{C(\eta_1, \eta_2)}{\int_{-Y}^Y \frac{d\eta_1}{2Y} \int_{-Y}^Y \frac{d\eta_2}{2Y} C(\eta_1, \eta_2)} \quad (\text{normalization to 1})$$

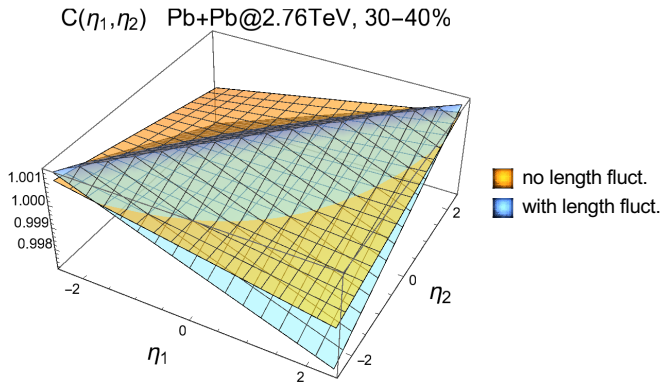


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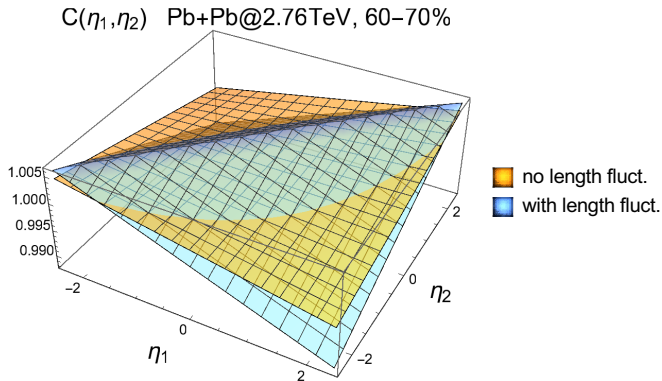
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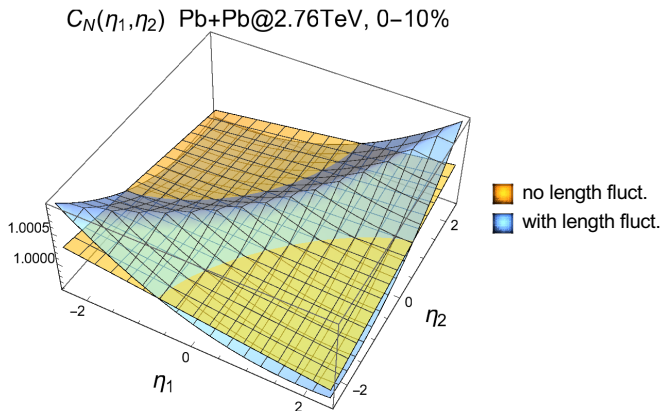


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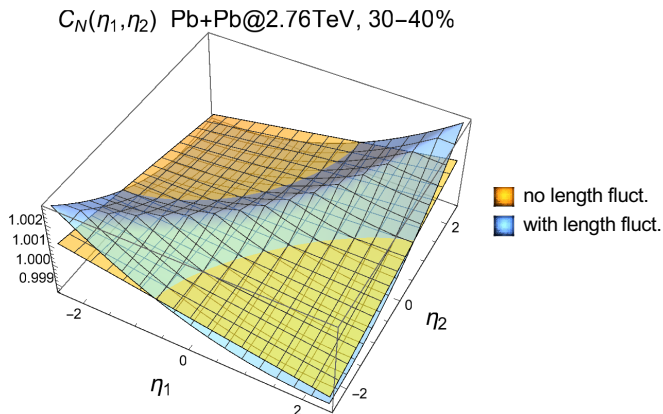
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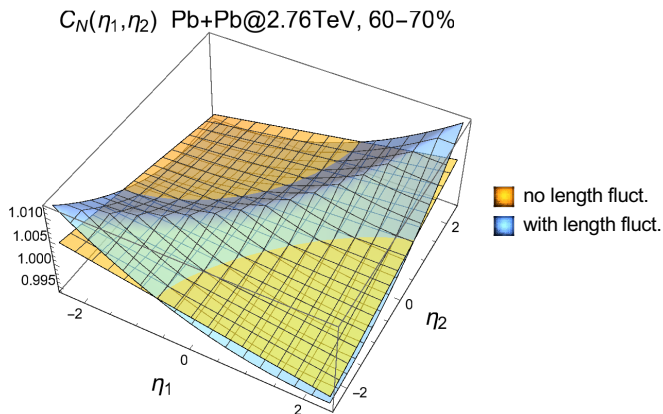
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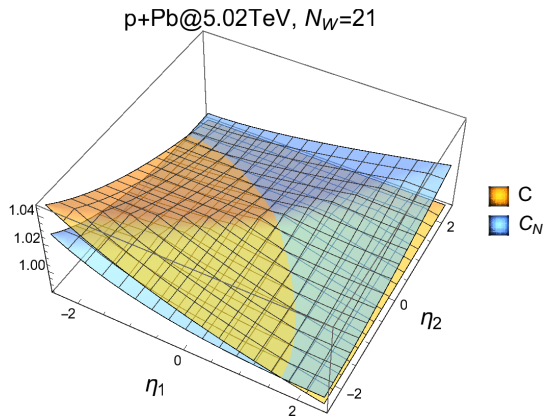
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# $C$ and $C_N$ for p-Pb collisions



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$a_{nm} \sim 1/\langle N_+ \rangle$  – fall-off **similarly as in experiment** if  $N_+ \sim N_{\text{ch}}$

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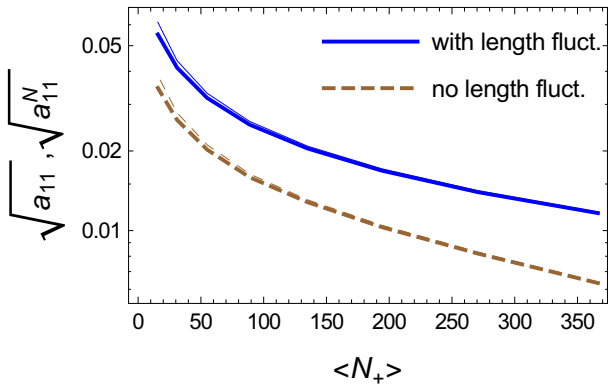
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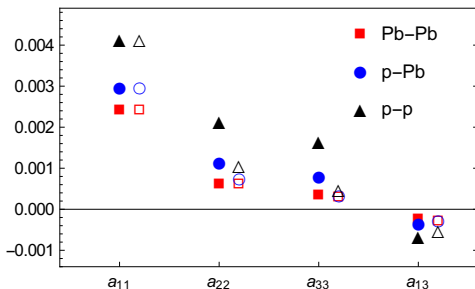
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(filled – from Fig. 7 of ATLAS-CONF-2015-020, open – model)

$a_{11}$  fitted by adjusting:

$$N_{\text{ch}} = 4.7N_+ \text{ for Pb-Pb@2.76TeV} \longrightarrow dN_{\text{ch}}/d\eta \simeq 1 \times N_+$$

(exp:  $dN_{\text{ch}}/d\eta \simeq (3-4) \times N_W$  with wounded nucleons  $\rightarrow$  need more participants,  
**wounded constituents?** – used in [Monnai+Schenke 2015])

$$N_{\text{ch}} = 5.1N_A \text{ for p-Pb@5.02TeV}$$

$$N_{\text{ch}} = 8.1N_+ \text{ for p-p@13TeV} - \text{requires sources at partonic level}$$

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There is some “communication” between adjacent bins in  $\eta$ , so the mapping  $\eta_S \rightarrow \eta$  should be smeared

Gaussian smearing:

$$S_{\text{sm}}(\eta_1, \eta_2) = \int d\eta'_1 \int d\eta'_2 g(\eta_1, \eta'_1) g(\eta_2, \eta'_2) S(\eta'_1, \eta'_2)$$

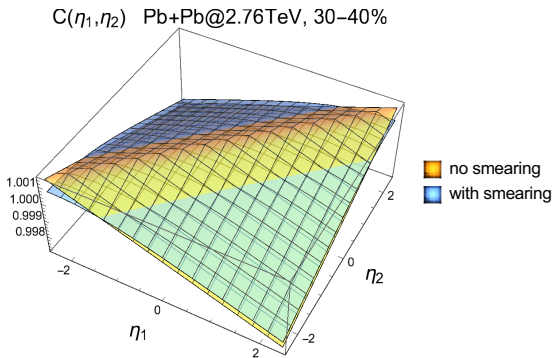
$$|\eta_1 - \eta_2| \rightarrow \frac{2\sigma_\eta e^{-\frac{(\eta_1 - \eta_2)^2}{4\sigma_\eta^2}}}{\sqrt{\pi}} + (\eta_1 - \eta_2) \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{\eta_1 - \eta_2}{2\sigma_\eta}\right)$$

with the other terms  $(\eta_1, \eta_2, \eta_1\eta_2)$  unchanged

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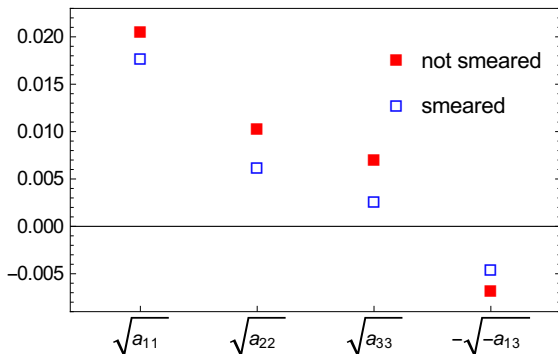
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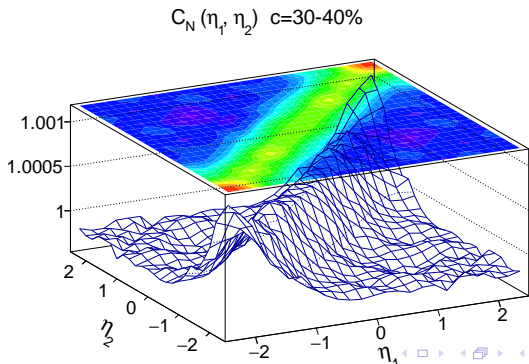
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# Conclusions

- **Data:** need for extra longitudinal fluctuations in the initial state (see also the talk by Piotr Bożek: [torque in p+Pb](#))
- Analytic expressions in the simple model, grasping features of more involved approaches
- The correlations from the early production mechanism contribute to short- and long-range components in  $\eta$ , no flow needed – robust effect
- Anatomy:
  - Early stage:  $N_A$  vs  $N_B$  fluctuations, [length fluctuations](#)
  - Late stage: resonance decays (significant effect), conservation laws
- $1/\sqrt{N_{ch}}$  scaling of  $\sqrt{a_{11}}$  → [linear relation](#)  $N_{ch} = \kappa N_{sources}$ , with the value of  $\kappa$  suggesting [wounded constituents](#) as degrees of freedom
- Universality of Pb-Pb, p-Pb, and (possibly) p-p can be understood if sources are partons (e.g., wounded quarks)
- Intricate procedures:  $C \rightarrow C_N$ , normalization, removing short-range correlations – necessary in modeling for 1-1 comparisons
- To eliminate short-range component use the [cumulant method](#) [[Bzdak+Bożek 2015](#)]