# Onset of Deconfinement and the Critical Point at SPS Energies

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- 2) The onset of deconfinement ;
- 3) The onset of fireball ;
- 4) The Critical Point ;
- 5) The longitudinal evolution of the system ;
- 6) Summary.





Note: all hand-made plots courtesy of M. Gazdzicki



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### 1) Prologue



Motivation for SHINE

- 1. Strong interactions;
- 2. Cosmic rays & neutrinos.

150

40 75 energy (A GeV)

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#### Ad. 1.

Pb+Pb

Xe+La

Ar+Sc

Be+Be p+t

- search for the Critical Point (CP);
- study properties of onset of deconfinement;
- but note: there is more than the onset of deconfinement...







# The NA61/SHINE detector



#### \* large acceptance ;

- \* charged particle tracking ;
- \* PID via dE/dx ;
- \* centrality by **forward** PSD calorimeter.





Forward hemisphere in the collision c.m.s.



NA61/SHINE in virtual reality: http://shine3d.web.cern.ch/shine

#### 2) The Onset of Deconfinement

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#### **NEW RESULTS:**

- The rapid change in √s-dependence is observed for both p+p and Pb+Pb ;
- Be+Be is consistent with p+p.

 <K<sup>+</sup>>/<π<sup>+</sup>> in Ar+Sc is between p+p, Be+Be and Pb+Pb.

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### 4) The Critical Point



## Intermittency analysis of factorial moments (1)





$$F_2(M) = \frac{\left\langle \frac{1}{M^2} \sum_{m=1}^{M^2} n_m (n_m - 1) \right\rangle}{\left\langle \frac{1}{M^2} \sum_{m=1}^{M^2} n_m \right\rangle^2}$$

where  $\langle \ldots \rangle$  denotes averaging over events.

 We detect local, power-law fluctuations of baryon density by calculating the scaling of 2nd factorial moments *F*<sub>2</sub>(*M*) with cell size
 ⇔ #cells M in (p<sub>x</sub>, p<sub>y</sub>) space (intermittency).

> A. Białas, R. Peschanski, Nucl.Phys. B273 (1986) 703 L. Turko, Phys. Lett. B 227 (1989) 149 F. K. Diakonos et al., PoS (CPOD2006) 010, Florence

 After subtracting non-critical background moments, the correlator:

$$\Delta F_2(M) = F_2^{\mathsf{data}}(M) - F_2^{\mathsf{mix}}(M)$$

should scale according to a power-law for  $M \gg 1$ ,

$$\Delta F_2(M) \sim (M^2)^{\phi_2}, \ \phi_2 = \frac{5}{6}$$

N. G. Antoniou et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 97, 032002 (2006)

#### Intermittency analysis of factorial moments (2)

NA49: T. Anticic et al., Eur. Phys. J. C 75 (2015) 587



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### 5) The Longitudinal Evolution of the System



Press release: google out "fire streaks in collisions"





### <u>6) Summary</u>

- NA61/SHINE is a gold mine.
- Tentative conclusion from 2D scan: four domains of hadron production separated by two thresholds: the onset of deconfinement and the onset of fireball.



- In this situation, the search for the Critical Point becomes a challenging task. What is the role of the intermittency signal ?
- Exploitation of the mine goes on. New options, including flow (Evgeny), HBT (Barnabas), EM effects (Mirek), and the longitudinal evolution of the system, open up like flowers in the sun...

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#### **Extra slides**

#### The Onset of Deconfinement vs. The Onset of Fireball (official version)



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#### System size dependence as a function energy



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#### Statistical models vs. NA61/SHINE data (more realistic version)

PTP AND BETBE SUPPERPOSITION OF "NON-STATISTICAL CLUSTERS"



Ar+SC AND P6+P6 ~ LARGE VOLUME CLUSTER OF SIM ?

M. Gazdzicki, talk at GSI, Feb. 2018

(1)

ON INTERPRETATION OF ANSET OF FIREBALL.

PERCOLATION APPROACH

WITH INCREASING A DENSITY OF CLUSTERS (STRINGS, PARTONS,...) INCREASES. THUS PROBABILITY TO OVERLAP MANY ELEMENTARY CLUSTERS MAY RAPIDLY INCREASE WITH A - & PERCOLATION MODELS, THIS APPROACH DOES NOT EXPLAIN EQUILIBRIUM PROPERTIES OF LARGE CLUSTERS

> BAYM, PHYSICA ASG (79) 131 CELIK, KARSCH, SATZ PL 897 (80) 128 BRAUN, PAJARES, NP B330 (93) 542 ARMESTO, BRAUN, FERREIRO, PAJARES, PRL 77 (96) 3736 CUNQUEIRO, FERREIRO, MORAC, PAJARES PRC 75 (05) 024907

ON INTERPRETATION OF ANSET OF FIREBALL.

Ads/CFT CORRESPONDENCE

MALDACENA, INT. J. THEOR. PHYS. 38 (1895) 1113

Ads (GRAVITY): FORMATION OF A BLACK HOLE HORIZON (INFORMATION TRAPPING SURFECE) TAKES PLACE WHEN CRITICAL VALUES OF MODEL PARAMETERS ARE REACHED,

CFT (QCD): ONLY STARTING FROM A SUFFICIENTLY LARGE NUCLEAR MASS NUMBER THE FORMATION OF THE TRAPPING SURFACE IN A+A COLLISIONS IS POSSIBLE -> ONSET OF FIREBALL



SHURYAK, 1800. PART. NUCL. PHYS. 62 (2003) 48 LIN, SHURYAK PR D73 (2003) 124015





$$\langle n \rangle = \frac{g \cdot \sqrt{2\pi^{2}}}{(2\pi)^{3}} \int d^{3}p \frac{4}{e^{E/T \pm 4}} \approx g \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2\pi^{2}}{4\cdot 45}} T^{3} \qquad \text{For } M \ll T$$

$$\approx g \cdot \sqrt{\frac{M \cdot T}{2\pi}}^{3/2} e^{-M/T} \quad \text{For } M \gg T$$







STATISTICAL AND DYNAMICAL MODELS WITH CHIRAL SYMMETRY RESTORATION AND DECONFINEMENT FIT P6+P6 DATA (BUT BOTH FAIL TO REPRODUCE STALL SYSTEMS)