



Rapidity dependence of particle densities in pp-AA collisions

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► Multi-particle production is described in terms of color of strings stretched between the partons of the projectile and target. Color strings will decay into new ones by qq̄, qq - q̄q̄ production.

$$S_1=\pi r_0^2$$
 , $r_0\sim 0.25$ fm.



- The number of strings grows with the energy and with the number of nucleons of participating nuclei.
- Color strings may be viewed as small disks in the transverse space filled with the color field created by colliding partons.
- Particles are produced by the Schwinger mechanisms.
- With growing energy and size of the colliding nuclei the number of strings grow and start to overlap forming clusters.
- At a critical density a macroscopic cluster appears and marks the percolation phase transition.

The formation of clusters behaves like disks in the continuum two dimensional percolation.

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$$\eta_c^t = 1.1 - 1.5$$

- $\blacktriangleright \eta^t = N_s \frac{S_1}{S_A}$
- ▶ We assume a cluster of *n* strings behaves as a single string with higher color field, and momentum.

$$< \mu_n >= \sqrt{\frac{nS_n}{S_1}} < \mu_1 >$$

$$< p_{Tn}^2 >= \sqrt{\frac{nS_1}{S_n}} < p_{T1}^2 >$$



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 In SPM the relevant quantity is the transverse impact parameter density η^t for pp collisions

$$\blacktriangleright \ \eta^t \equiv (\tfrac{r_0}{R_p})^2 \bar{N}_p^s$$

• The particle density dn/dy at mid rapidity is related to the average number \bar{N}_s of strings $\frac{dn}{dy} \sim F(\eta^t) \bar{N}_s$ $F(\eta^t) = \sqrt{\frac{1-e^{-\eta^t}}{n^t}}$

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▶ The overlap area is given by
$$S_{N_A} = S_A (N_A/A)^{5/3}$$
,

$$N_A^s \simeq N_p^s N_A^{(\alpha+1)} \tag{1}$$

with

$$N_p^s = 2 + 4 \left(\frac{r_0}{R_p}\right)^2 \left(\frac{\sqrt{s}}{m_p}\right)^{2\lambda},\tag{2}$$

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Notice that it would be expected

$$N_A^s \simeq N_p^s N_A^{4/3} \tag{3}$$

instead of

$$N_A^s = N_p^s N_A^{(\alpha+1)} \tag{4}$$

but the energy in pp is \sqrt{s} and in AA is $A\sqrt{s}$, therefore at not very high energy some strings have not enough energy to be formed. The number should increase from A to $A^{4/3}$ with a $\ln s$ (phase space) dependence as is has $\alpha(s)$.

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With the string density

$$\eta_{N_A}^t = \eta_p^t N_A^{(\alpha(s))} \frac{A}{N_A^{2/3}}$$
(5)

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$$\frac{1}{N_A} \left. \frac{dn}{dy} \right|_{y=0} = \frac{dn^{pp}}{dy} \left|_{y=0} \left(1 + \frac{F(\eta_{N_A}^t)}{F(\eta_p^t)} (N_A^{\alpha(\sqrt{s})} - 1) \right), \quad (6)$$

$$\alpha(s) = \frac{1}{3} \left(1 - \frac{1}{1 + \ln(\sqrt{s/s_0} + 1)}\right),\tag{7}$$

and

$$\left. \frac{dn_{\rm ch}^{pp}}{d\eta} \right|_{\eta=0} = \kappa F(\eta_p^t) N_p^s \,, \tag{8}$$

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Figure: Multiplicity dependence on \sqrt{s} . Data from p - p, Cu - Cu, Au - Au and P - Pb is shown in circles, triangles and starts respectively. $(N_A = 1, A = 1)$ for is used for pp (grey line); (NA = 50, A = 63) for CuCu (blue line); and (NA = 175, A = 200) for AuAu/PbPb (red line)



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$$\bar{N}_s \sim e^{2\lambda Y},$$
 (9)

for the particle density, at $y \simeq 0$,

$$\frac{dn}{dy} \sim e^{\lambda Y},\tag{10}$$

and for the full rapidity distribution,

$$\frac{dn}{dy}|_{pp} = ae^{\lambda Y}\frac{dn}{dy}|^s,\tag{11}$$

where $\frac{dn}{dy}|^s$ is the single string density, $\frac{dn}{d\eta}|_{pp}$

$$\frac{dn}{dy}|^s = \frac{1}{e^{\frac{\eta - (1-\alpha)Y}{\delta}} + 1},\tag{12}$$

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$$\frac{dn}{d\eta}|_{pp} = J\frac{dn}{dy}|_{pp},\tag{13}$$

with $J = \frac{\cosh \eta}{\sqrt{k + \sinh^2 \eta}}$, $k = \frac{m^2 + p_T^2}{p_T^2}$ and by assumption fix k at the effective value 1.2. It corresponds to $m_\pi \simeq 0.14$ GeV and $\bar{p}_\pi \simeq 0.3$ GeV.

$$\left. \frac{dn_{\rm ch}^{pp}}{d\eta} \right|_{\eta} = \kappa' J F(\eta_p^t) N_p^s \frac{1}{\exp\left(\frac{\eta - (1 - \alpha)Y}{\delta}\right) + 1}$$
(14)



Comparison of the results from the evolution of the $\frac{dn_{ch}}{d\eta}$ with dependence in pseudorapidity for p - p collisions at different energies (lines).

Evolution in pseudorapidity for AA collisions

$$\begin{split} \frac{dn}{d\eta} &= \\ \kappa' J(N_A) \frac{dn^{pp}}{dy}|_{y=0} (1 + \frac{F(\eta_{N_A}^t)}{F(\eta_p^t)} (N_A^{\alpha(\sqrt{s})} - 1)) \frac{1}{\exp\left(\frac{-\eta - (1 - \alpha)Y}{\delta}\right) + 1} \end{split}$$
 with $\kappa' = \frac{\kappa}{J(\eta=0)} (\exp\left(\frac{-(1 - \alpha)Y}{\delta}\right) + 1). \end{split}$

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In all the computations we have used the following values of the parameters: $\kappa=0.63\pm0.01, \ \lambda=0.201\pm0.003, \ \sqrt{s_0}=245\pm29$ GeV, $\alpha\simeq0.34, \ \delta\simeq0.84$ and $k_1=1.2$ to describe the particle density $\frac{dn}{d\eta}|_{N_AN_A}$ in the same power law as $\frac{dn}{d\eta}|_{pp}$. We had made here an extension to these descriptions to add the pseudo rapidity evolution.

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Figure: Evolution of the $dn_{ch}/d\eta$ with pseudorapidity for Cu-Cu collisions at 22.4 GeV, 62.4 GeV, and 200 GeV energies, data from ref. [1]. Error bars in color blue, green, pink, red, purple and black are used for the corresponding centralities 45 - 55%, 35 - 45%, 25 - 35%, 15 - 25%, 6 - 15%, 0 - 6% respectively, black lines show our results.



Figure: Evolution of the $dn_{ch}/d\eta$ with pseudorapidity for Au-Au collisions at 19.6 GeV, 62.4 GeV, 130 GeV and 200 GeV energies. Error bars in color blue, green, pink, red, purple and black are used for the corresponding centralities 45 - 55%, 35 - 45%, 25 - 35%, 15 - 25%, 6 - 15%, 0 - 6% respectively, black lines are the model results [2]



Figure: Comparison of the results CMS [3] from the evolution of the $\frac{dn_{ch}}{d\eta} \frac{1}{(N_{part}/2)}$ with the pseudorapidity for Pb-Pb collisions at 2.76 TeV. Error bars in color green, blue, pink and red are used for the corresponding centralities 85 - 95%, 50 - 55%, 0 - 90% and 0 - 5% respectively, lines in black are the corresponding results from the model to the respective centrality, for the smaller centrality we use the number of participants corresponding to the 85-95\% showed in dot and dashed line and in dashed line is the minimum number of participants equal 2.

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Figure: Predictions on the evolution of the $\frac{dn_{ch}}{d\eta} \frac{1}{(N_{part}/2)}$ with pseudorapidity for Pb-Pb collisions at 3.2, 3.9 and 5.5 TeV energies at 0-5% centrality.

Conclusions

- We have discussed in a general way the physics of particle densities in pp and AA collisions.
- Our model gives a non-linear dependence of $\frac{1}{N_A} dn/d\eta|_{AA}$ on $dn/d\eta|_{pp}$.
- Particle densities, as a function of η and Y give a good description of Pb-Pb data at LHC in a wide region in η. The same is observed for pp in a wide range of rapidity Y.
- ▶ Notice that recent data from TOTEM experiment measurements in the charged particle pseudorapidity density $dN_{ch}/d\eta$ in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV for $5.3 < |\eta| < 6.4$ is consistent with this results.

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