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How to extract physics
from v_{dyn}

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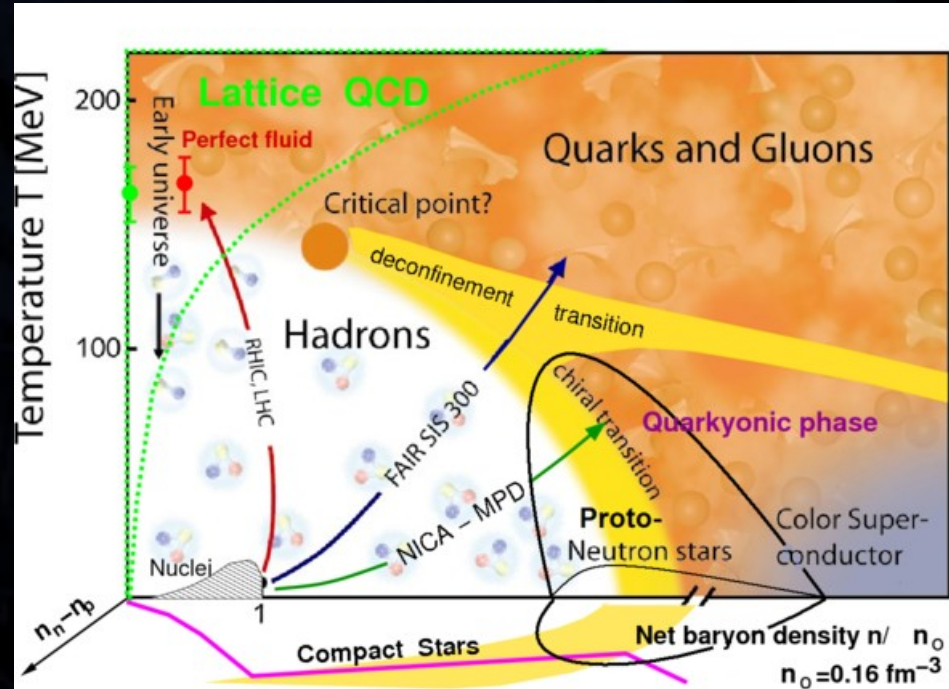


Outline

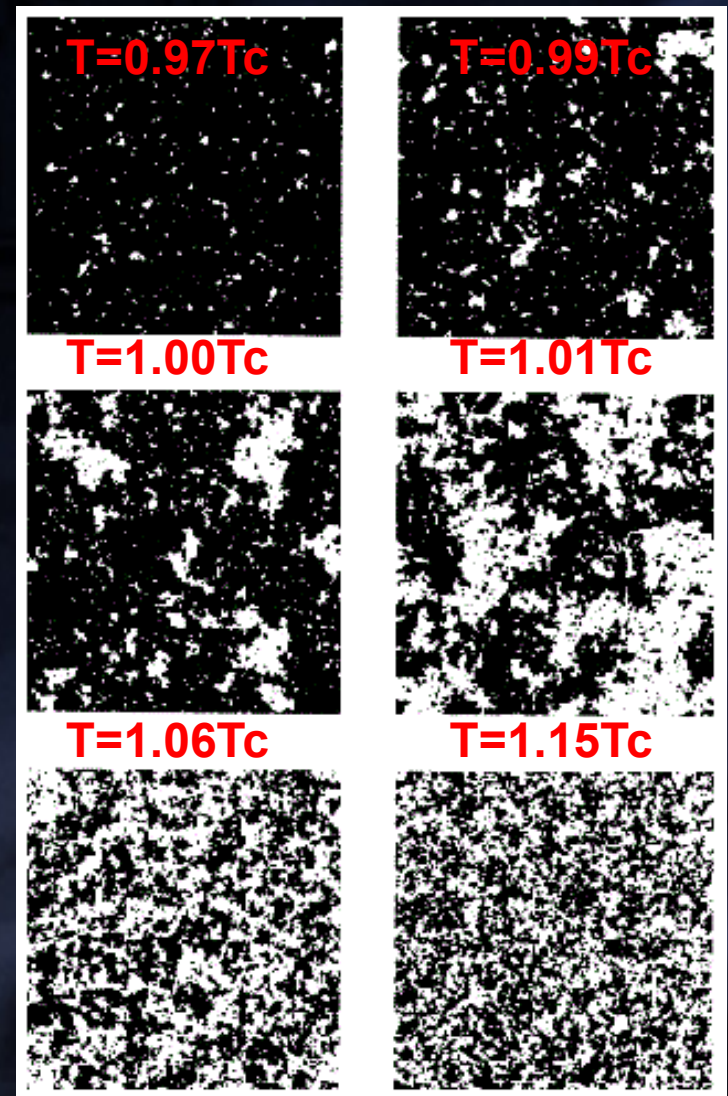
- What is v_{dyn} and what does it measure
 - Original idea: S. Voloshin for STAR, INPC2001, arXiv:nucl-ex/0109006v1. C.Pruneau, S.Gavin, and S.Voloshin, (PRC 66, 044904, 2002).
 - Mathematical properties and simple models for v_{dyn} (PRC 80, 034903, 2009)
- Example: Forward-backward fluctuations in pp
- Generalization of v_{dyn} to continuous variables
- Conclusions

Motivation for studying fluctuations

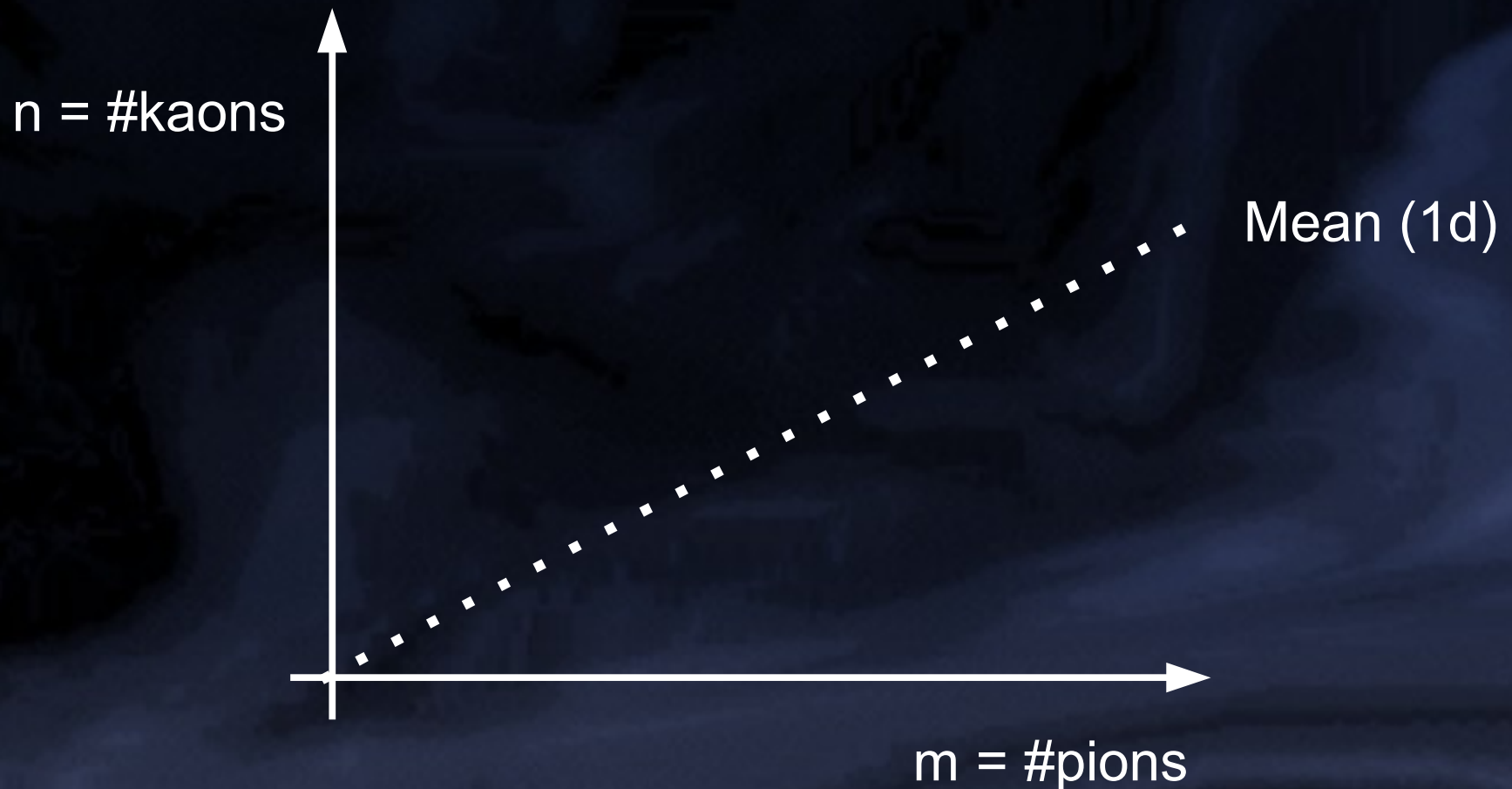
Ex.: 2d ising model



- Large fluctuations expected near QCD tri-critical point
- Provide “L2” discrimination between models (not only mean, but also fluctuations)

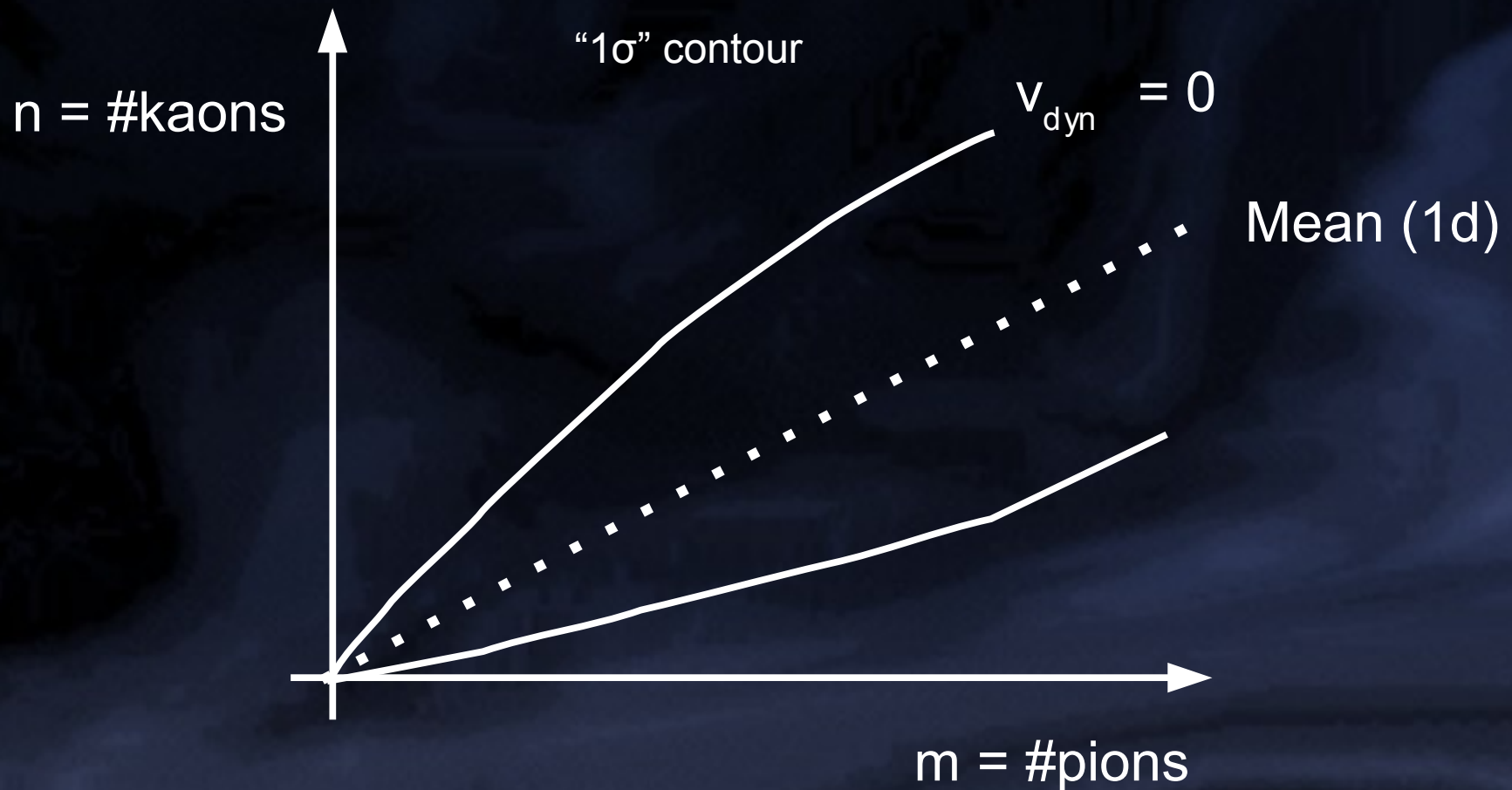


Idea explained via 2d contour plot



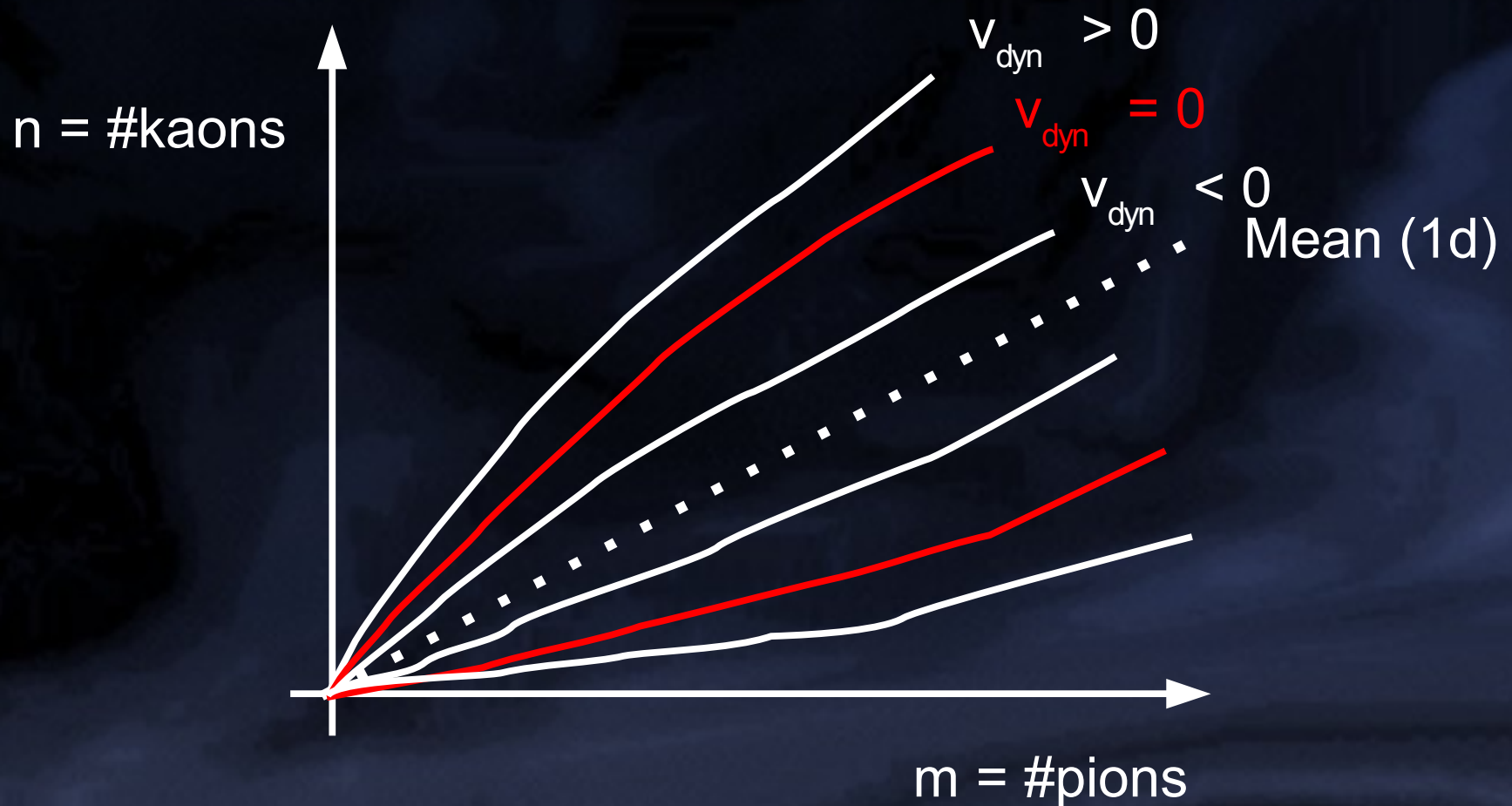
We study systems where the ratios m/N and n/N ($N=m+n$) are almost constant.

Idea explained via 2d contour plot



Statistical fluctuations: \sqrt{m} and \sqrt{n}

Idea explained via 2d contour plot



Mathematical expression for v_{dyn}

- Consider $\left(\frac{m}{\langle m \rangle} - \frac{n}{\langle n \rangle} \right)$

- It has mean 0!

- We define $v = V \left[\left(\frac{m}{\langle m \rangle} - \frac{n}{\langle n \rangle} \right) \right] = \left\langle \left(\frac{m}{\langle m \rangle} - \frac{n}{\langle n \rangle} \right)^2 \right\rangle$

- Easy statistical behavior (no event mixing): $v_{stat} = \frac{1}{\langle m \rangle} + \frac{1}{\langle n \rangle}$

- Allows the study of dynamical fluctuations:

$$v_{dyn} = v - v_{stat} = \frac{\langle m(m-1) \rangle}{\langle m \rangle^2} - 2 \frac{\langle mn \rangle}{\langle m \rangle \langle n \rangle} + \frac{\langle n(n-1) \rangle}{\langle n \rangle^2}$$

- 3 terms: cancels trivial correlations, e.g., centrality!
- Independent of efficiencies

What dynamical fluctuations are measured by v_{dyn}

- Definition:
$$v_{dyn} = \frac{\langle m(m-1) \rangle}{\langle m \rangle^2} - 2 \frac{\langle mn \rangle}{\langle m \rangle \langle n \rangle} + \frac{\langle n(n-1) \rangle}{\langle n \rangle^2}$$

- For $M=m+n$, then the pair probability (mm) is:

$$p = P_m = \frac{\langle m \rangle}{\langle M \rangle} \quad P_{mm} = \frac{\langle m(m-1) \rangle}{\langle M(M-1) \rangle}$$

- So we can rewrite v_{dyn} as:

$$v_{dyn} = \frac{\langle M(M-1) \rangle}{\langle M \rangle^2} \left(\frac{P_{mm}}{p^2} - 2 \frac{P_{mn}}{p(1-p)} + \frac{P_{nn}}{(1-p)^2} \right)$$

- $M=2 \rightarrow$ pair probabilities can be written uniquely as:

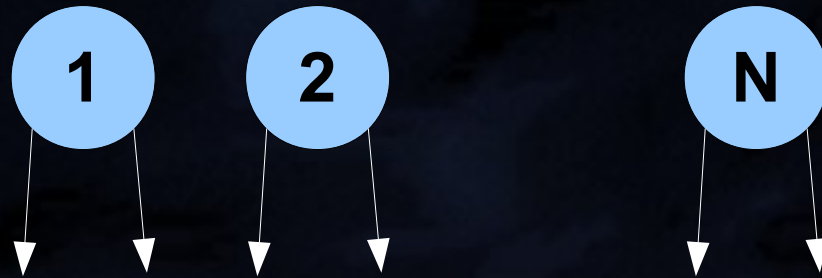
$$P_{mm} = p^2 + \varepsilon \quad P_{mn} = 2p(1-p) - 2\varepsilon \quad P_{nn} = (1-p)^2 + \varepsilon \quad \rightarrow \quad v_{dyn} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{p^2(1-p)^2} \right)$$

- Consider $M/2$ pairs \rightarrow

$$v_{dyn} = \frac{1}{\langle M \rangle} \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{p^2(1-p)^2} \right)$$

Comment on $1/\langle M \rangle$ dependence

- Consider N independent sources



- Number of correlated pairs goes as N
- Number of uncorrelated pairs goes as $N*(N-1)$
- $\rightarrow 1/N$ dependence in this case!
- Feature of the model!

- It measures the pair correlations



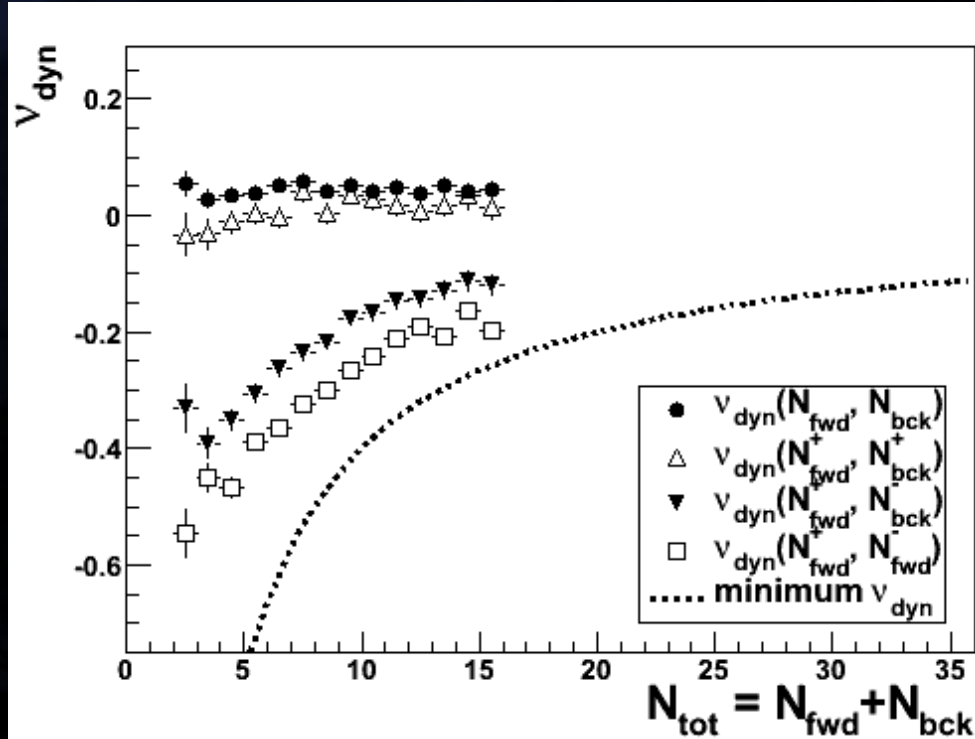
- **NB!** It does not have to go as $1/\langle M \rangle$ if you increase or decrease (CGC?) the correlations in central collisions

An example: Forward-backward correlations



- For symmetric intervals we have $p=1/2$, e.g.:
 - Fwd: $1 < \eta < 2$ and Bck: $-2 < \eta < -1$
- Interest from phenomenology
 - Strong correlation between N_{fwd} and N_{bck} (UA5+STAR)
 - Signals collective behavior in pp
 - NB! v_{dyn} filters out these correlations

Forward backward fluctuations



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Min bias pp
 $\sqrt{s} = 200 \text{ GeV}$
No p_T cut!
Bck: $-1 < \eta < 0$
Fwd: $0 < \eta < 1$

$$N_{\text{bck}}^{\text{ch}}$$

$$N_{\text{fwd}}^{\text{ch}}$$

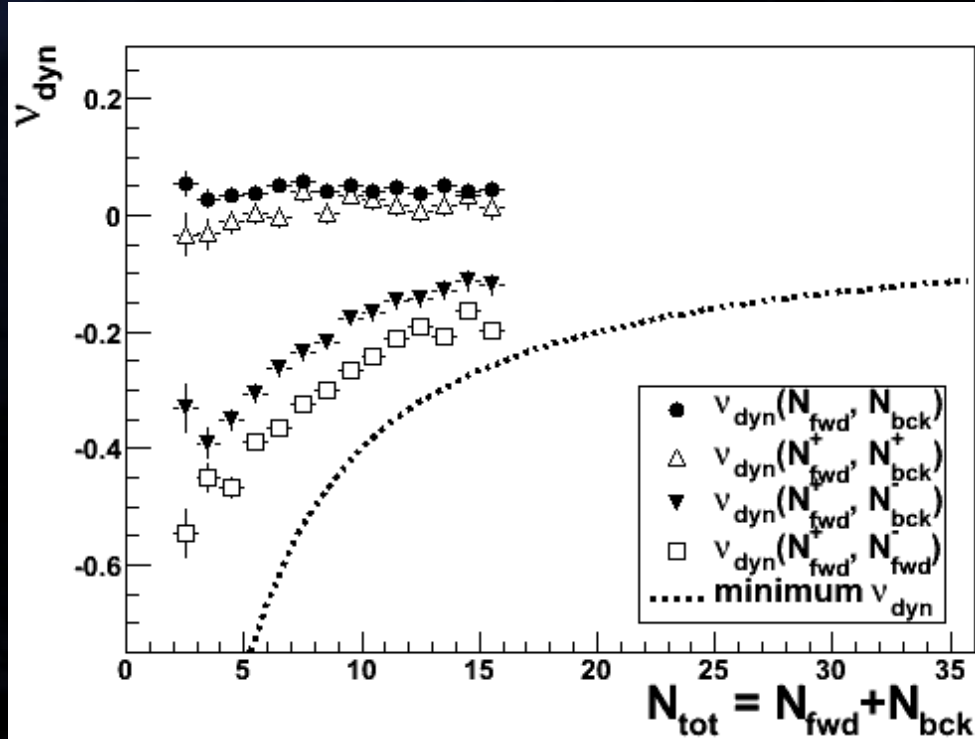
1 term

$$N_{\text{bck}}^+ + N_{\text{bck}}^-$$

$$N_{\text{fwd}}^+ + N_{\text{fwd}}^-$$

6 terms
(3 different)

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N_{bck}^{ch}

N_{fwd}^{ch}

$N_{bck}^{+} + N_{bck}^{-} - N_{fwd}^{+} + N_{fwd}^{-}$

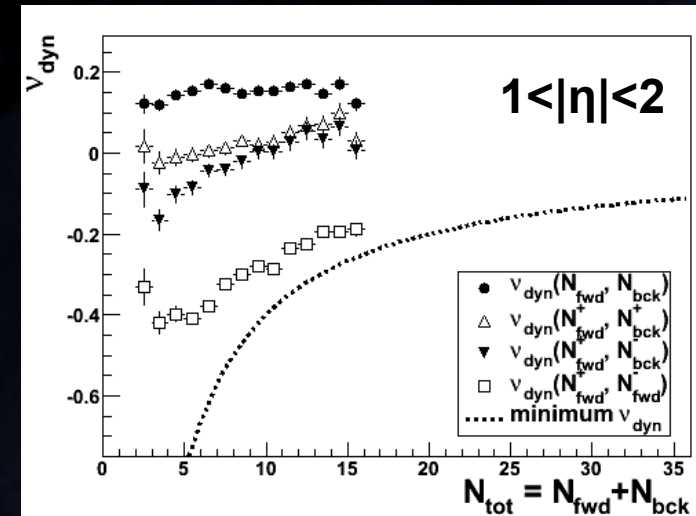
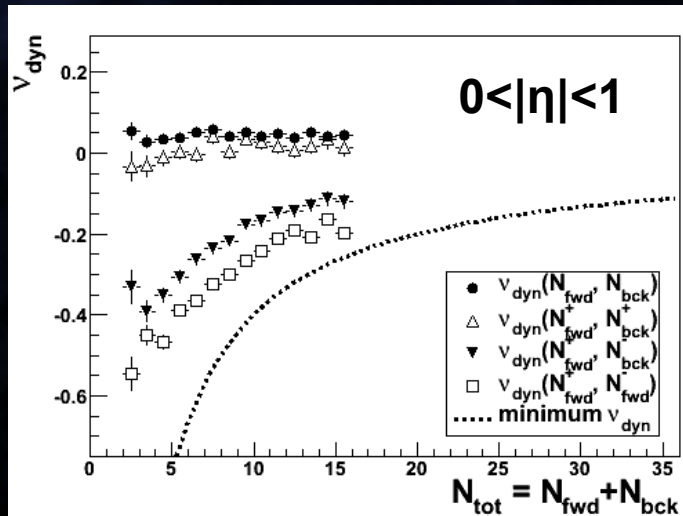
- (Stenlund) sum rule:

$$v_{dyn}(N_{fwd}^{ch}, N_{bck}^{ch}) = \frac{1}{2} \left[v_{dyn}(N_{fwd}^{plus}, N_{bck}^{plus}) + v_{dyn}(N_{fwd}^{plus}, N_{bck}^{minus}) - v_{dyn}(N_{fwd}^{plus}, N_{fwd}^{minus}) \right]$$

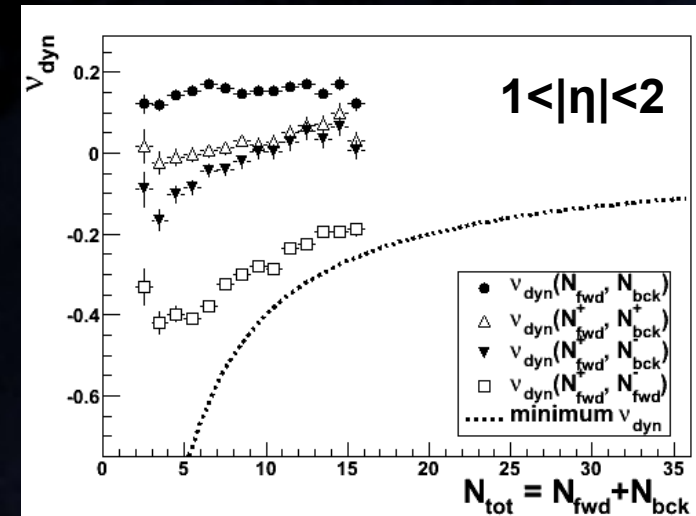
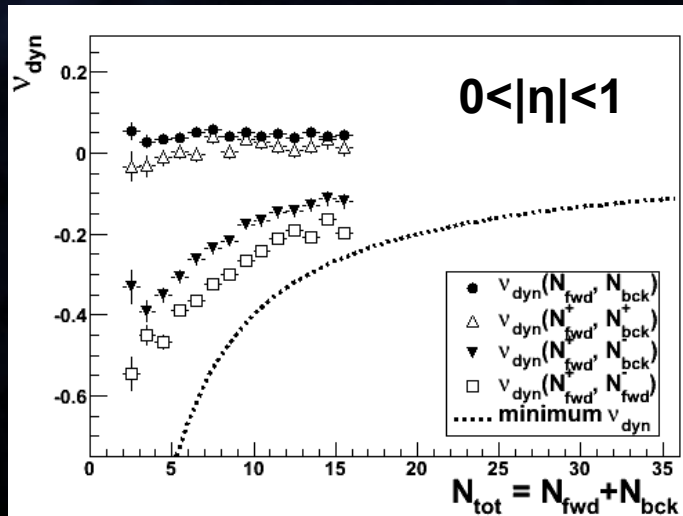
- **NB! Note the minus sign.**

- Primarily probe charge conservation and transport

Pseudo rapidity dependence



Pseudo rapidity dependence

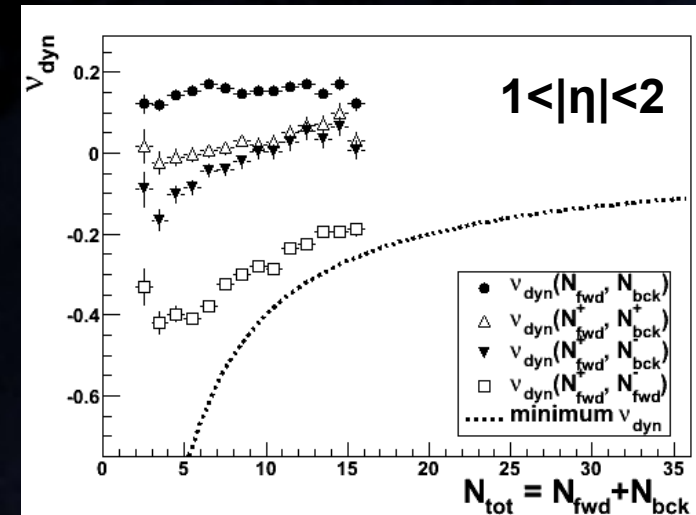
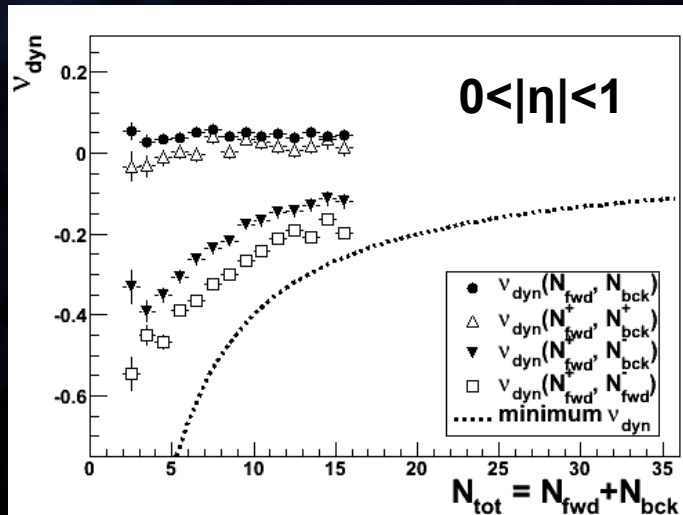


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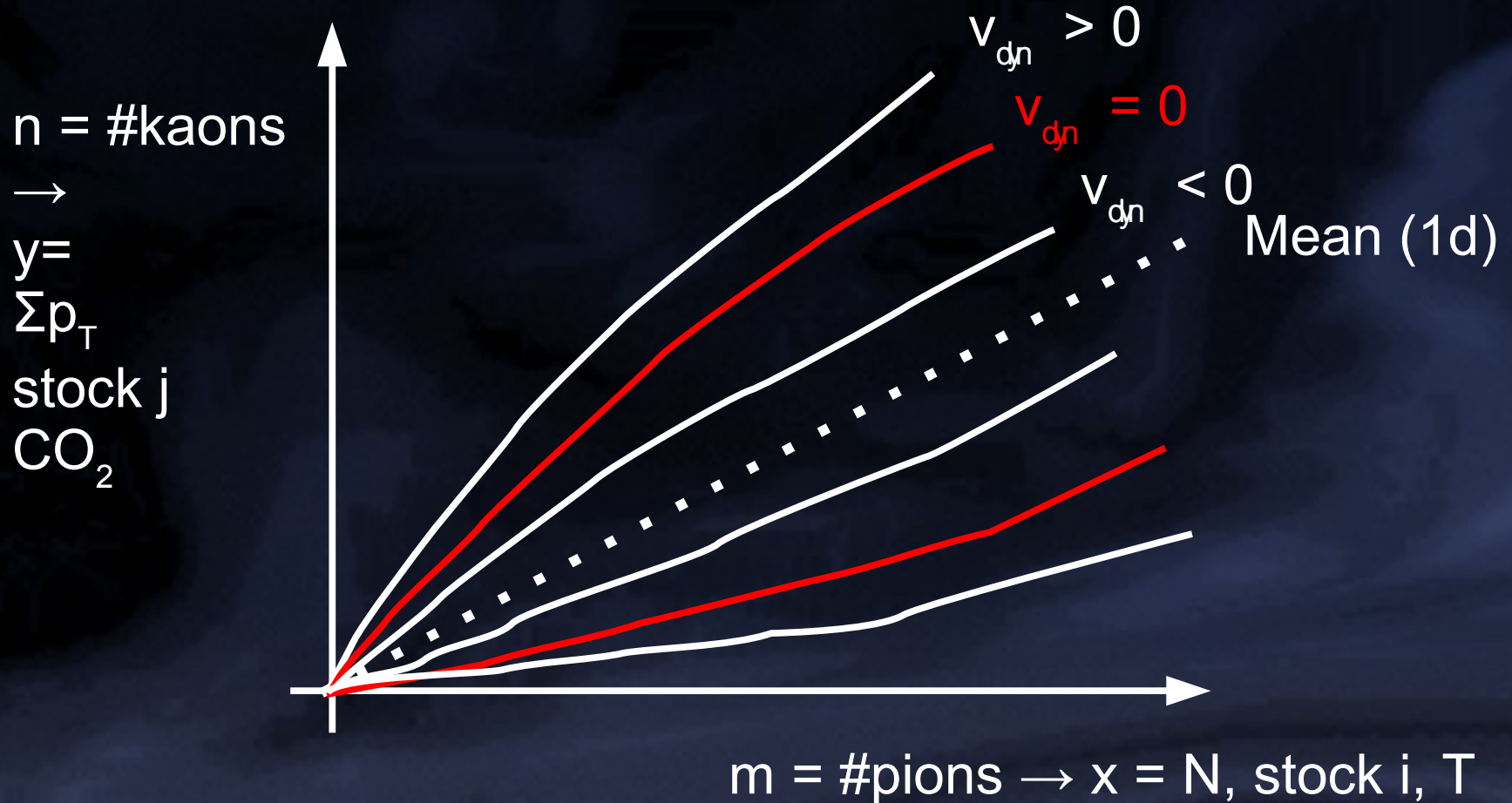
$\rightarrow 0 \text{ for } \Delta\eta \rightarrow \infty$
 $\sim \text{const for all } \Delta\eta$

Pseudo rapidity dependence



- Fluctuations measured by v_{dyn} for PYTHIA are dominated by charge conservation
 - general limit of method: strangeness (K^-+K^+), baryon number ($p+pbar$) \rightarrow negative dynamical fluctuations
 - NB! Results in positive v_{dyn} for sums, e.g., $m=K^-+K^+$
- To search for long range correlations: $v_{\text{dyn}}(+,+)$ vs $(+ \& +)$
- Alternative: Study e.g., π^0 vs π^+

Generalization to continuous variables



Generalized expression and interpretation

- The general expression becomes:

$$v_{dyn} = \frac{\langle x^2 \rangle - \langle \sigma_x^2(x) \rangle}{\langle x \rangle^2} - 2 \frac{\langle xy \rangle}{\langle x \rangle \langle y \rangle} + \frac{\langle y^2 \rangle - \langle \sigma_y^2(y) \rangle}{\langle y \rangle^2} \quad \sigma_{v_{dyn}} \sim \frac{v}{\sqrt{N_{events}}}$$

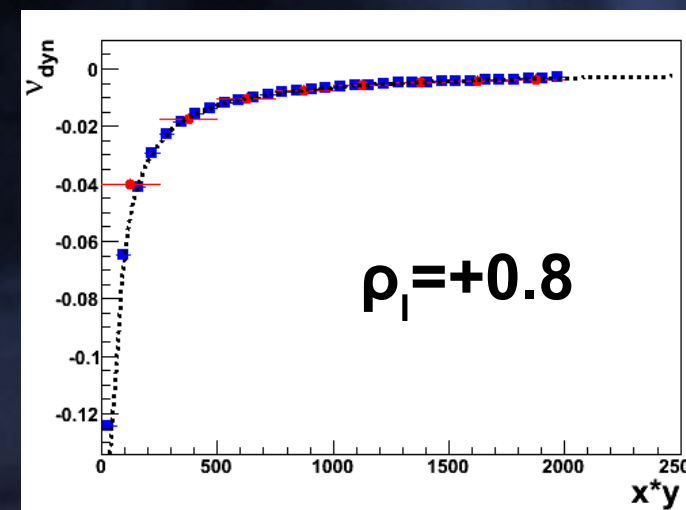
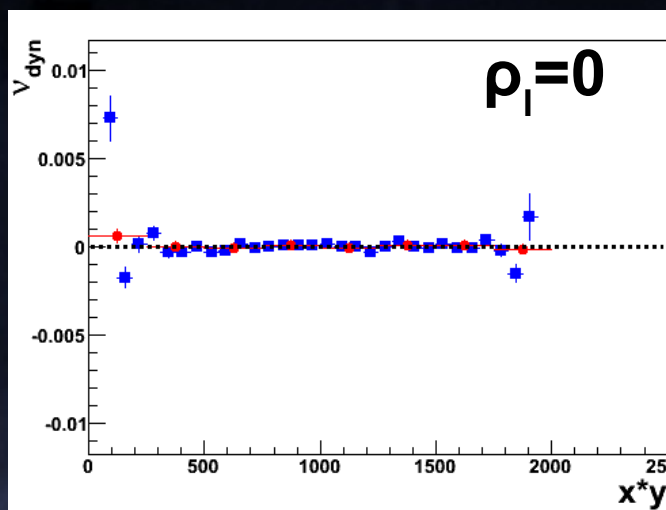
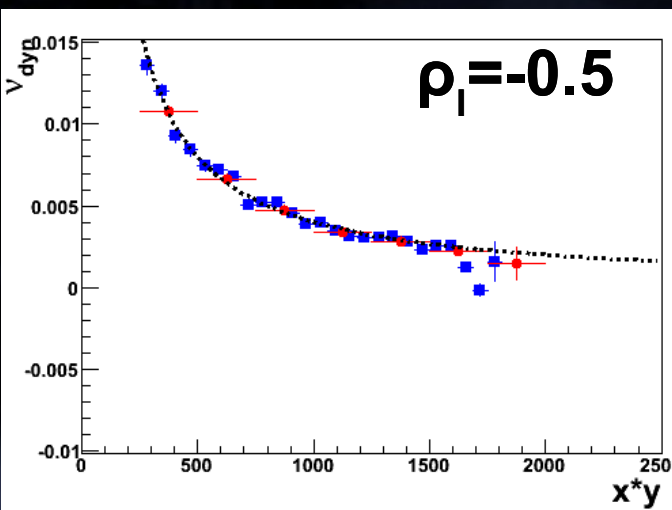
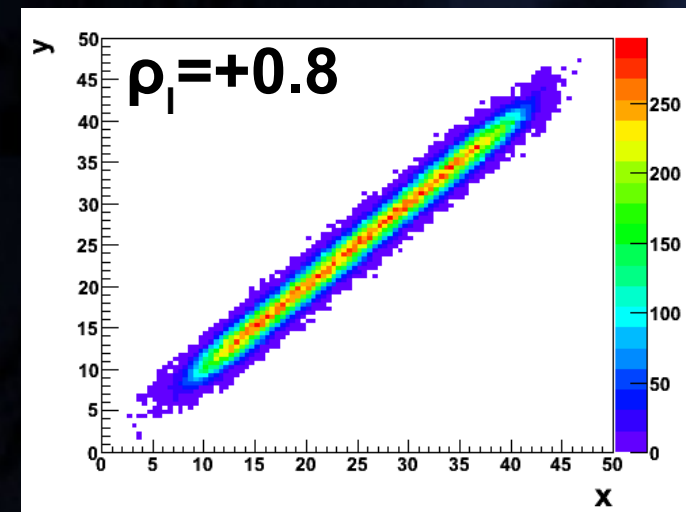
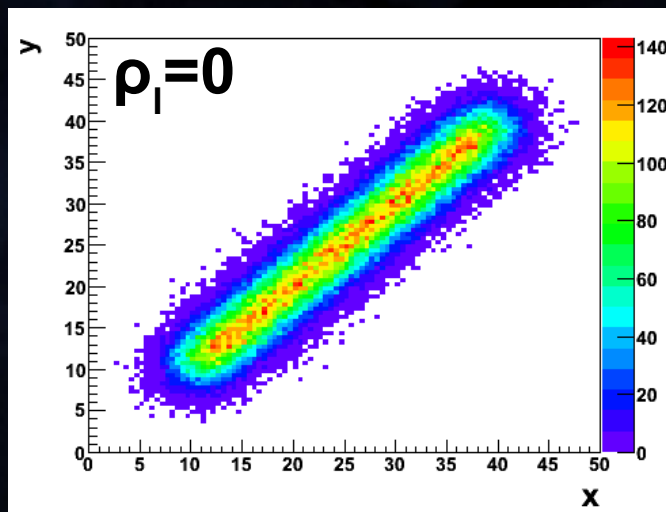
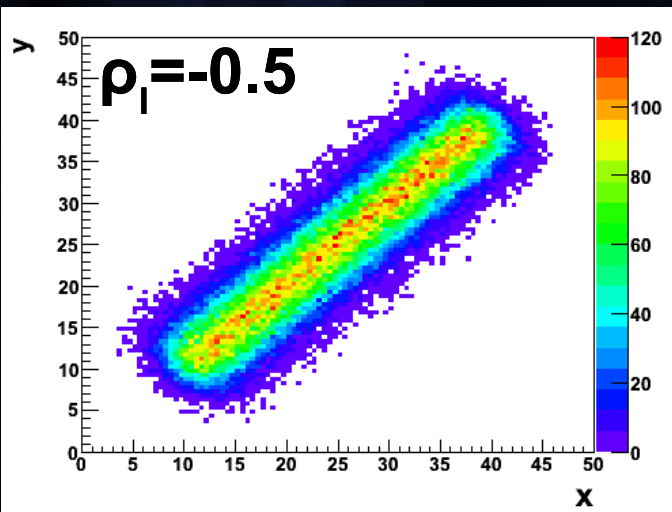
- And is consistent with the old definition because for numbers: $\sigma_x^2 = x$
- Because we know that v_{dyn} cancels trivial correlations we can consider a local Gaussian model:

$$P(x, y) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_x\sigma_y\sqrt{1-\rho_l^2}} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{1-\rho_l^2} \left(\frac{(x-\mu_x)^2}{\sigma_x^2} + \frac{(y-\mu_y)^2}{\sigma_y^2} - 2\rho_l \frac{(x-\mu_x)(y-\mu_y)}{\sigma_x\sigma_y} \right) \right]$$

- Then we find that

$$v_{dyn} = -2\rho_{local} \left(\frac{\sigma_x\sigma_y}{\langle x \rangle \langle y \rangle} \right)$$

Simulated examples



- Results are as predicted on previous slide (curves)
- Statistical error increases when ρ_1 is decreased

Problem: How to determine σ ?

- For numbers there is a natural statistics:
 - Poisson
- There is no general continuous statistic
 - We have to determine σ example by example
 - And it is not clear how! And if it is at all possible....
- If we compare to a model we can always use v :
$$v = \frac{\langle x^2 \rangle}{\langle x \rangle^2} - 2 \frac{\langle x y \rangle}{\langle x \rangle \langle y \rangle} + \frac{\langle y^2 \rangle}{\langle y \rangle^2}$$
- But then the result we get is model dependent. In one model the fluctuations can be dynamical and in another not (or have different sign!).

Conclusions

- Dynamical fluctuations of number variables
 - Measures non-trivial part of pair probabilities
 - Limited by conservation e.g. charge and strangeness
 - Sum rule is needed to understand v_{dyn} for sums
- Dynamical fluctuations of continuous variables
 - Mathematically easy to define and interpret
 - Determine of the statistical σ is not straight forward and could introduce model dependence
- Could provide 2nd order discrimination for models that describe the global correlations

Backup slides

Σp_T vs N dynamical fluctuations

- Interest to understand the rise of $\langle p_T \rangle$ with multiplicity in pp \rightarrow try to use v_{dyn}

$$v = \frac{\langle m^2 \rangle}{\langle m \rangle^2} - 2 \frac{\langle m \sum p_T \rangle}{\langle m \rangle \langle \sum p_T \rangle} + \frac{\langle (\sum p_T)^2 \rangle}{\langle \sum p_T \rangle^2}$$

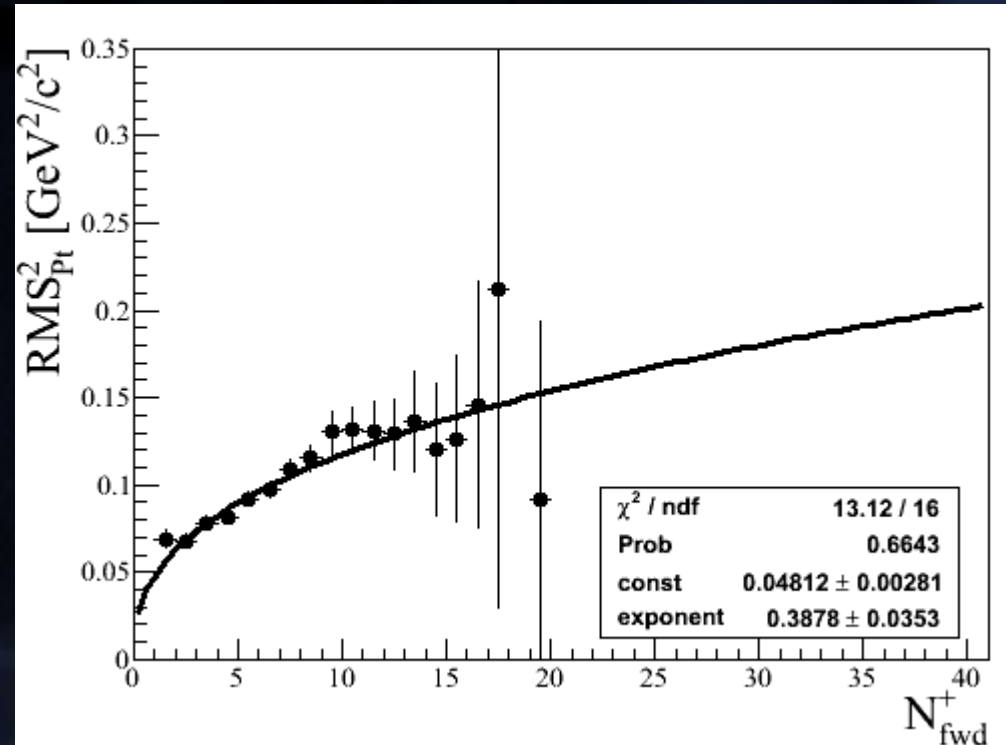
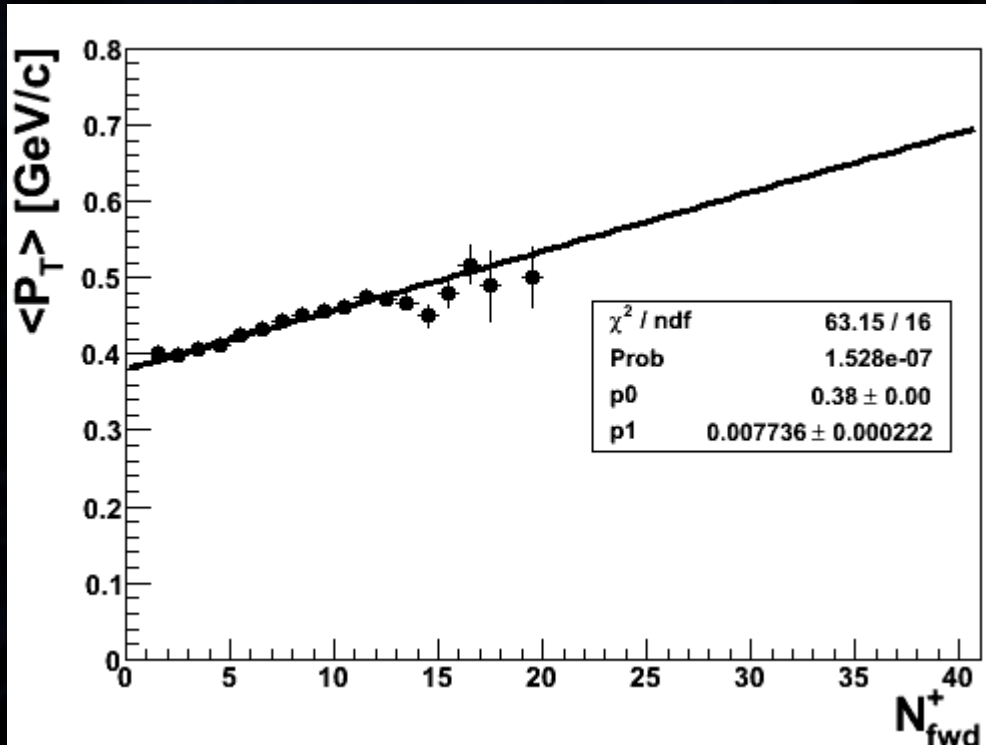
- We need Σp_T vs N and not $\langle p_T \rangle$ vs N for v to be able to remove the trivial correlations
- The statistical fluctuations of m and pT are:

$$\sigma_m^2 = m \quad \sigma_{\sum p_T}^2 = \langle p_T \rangle^2 n + \sigma_{p_T}^2 n$$

- So that v_{dyn} becomes:

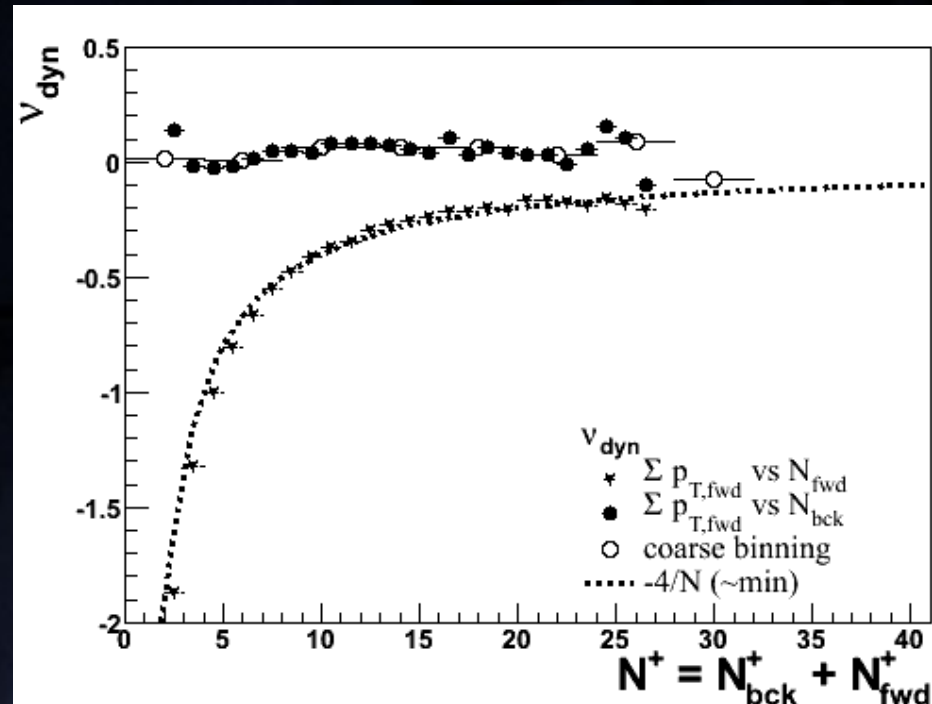
$$v = \frac{\langle m(m-1) \rangle}{\langle m \rangle^2} - 2 \frac{\langle m \sum p_T \rangle}{\langle m \rangle \langle \sum p_T \rangle} + \frac{\langle (\sum p_T)^2 \rangle - \langle \sigma_{\sum p_T}^2 \rangle}{\langle \sum p_T \rangle^2}$$

Extracting $\sigma^2_{\Sigma p_t} (N^+_{\text{fwd}})$



- **PYTHIA** $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV, fwd: $0 < \eta < 2$, bck: $-2 < \eta < 0$
- No p_T cut and only positive particles to avoid charge conservation effects

$v_{\text{dyn}}(N_{\text{fwd}}^+ \Sigma\text{pt}(+, \text{fwd}))$ and $v_{\text{dyn}}(N_{\text{bck}}^+ \Sigma\text{pt}(+, \text{fwd}))$



**PYTHIA $\sqrt{s} =$
200 GeV,**

fwd: $0 < \eta < 2,$
bck: $-2 < \eta < 0$

- As expected we find almost minimal negative fluctuations for $v_{\text{dyn}}(N_{\text{fwd}}^+ \Sigma\text{pt}(+, \text{fwd}))$ (*stars*) – this is due to auto correlations!
- For $v_{\text{dyn}}(N_{\text{bck}}^+ \Sigma\text{pt}(+, \text{fwd}))$ (*circles*) we find no dynamic fluctuations!
- This observable could perhaps 2nd order discriminate between models: string recombination, dipoles, flow...

Interpretation of dynamical fluctuations measured by v_{dyn}

- The expression:

$$v_{dyn} = \frac{1}{\langle M \rangle} \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{p^2(1-p)^2} \right)$$

- Is dynamical in the sense that **it measures the part of the pair-probabilities that deviates from that expected from the single particle probabilities**
- $v_{dyn} < 0$: m and n shows smaller than statistical fluctuations, e.g., conservation.
- $v_{dyn} > 0$: m and n shows larger than statistical fluctuations, e.g., phase transition.

Why study the 3 terms together

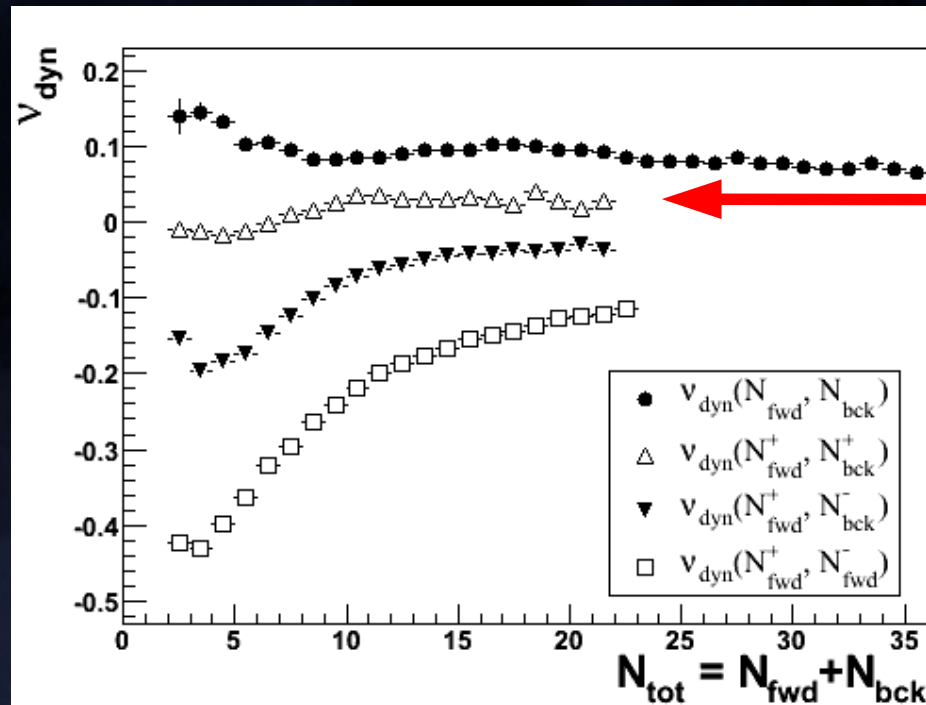
$$v_{dyn} = \frac{\langle m(m-1) \rangle}{\langle m \rangle^2} - 2 \frac{\langle mn \rangle}{\langle m \rangle \langle n \rangle} + \frac{\langle n(n-1) \rangle}{\langle n \rangle^2}$$

- Each of the terms are sensitive to “centrality variations”, i.e., for a sum of Poisson distributions we are sensitive to the global variation:

$$\frac{\langle m(m-1) \rangle}{\langle m \rangle^2} = \frac{\langle G(G-1) \rangle}{\langle G \rangle^2}$$

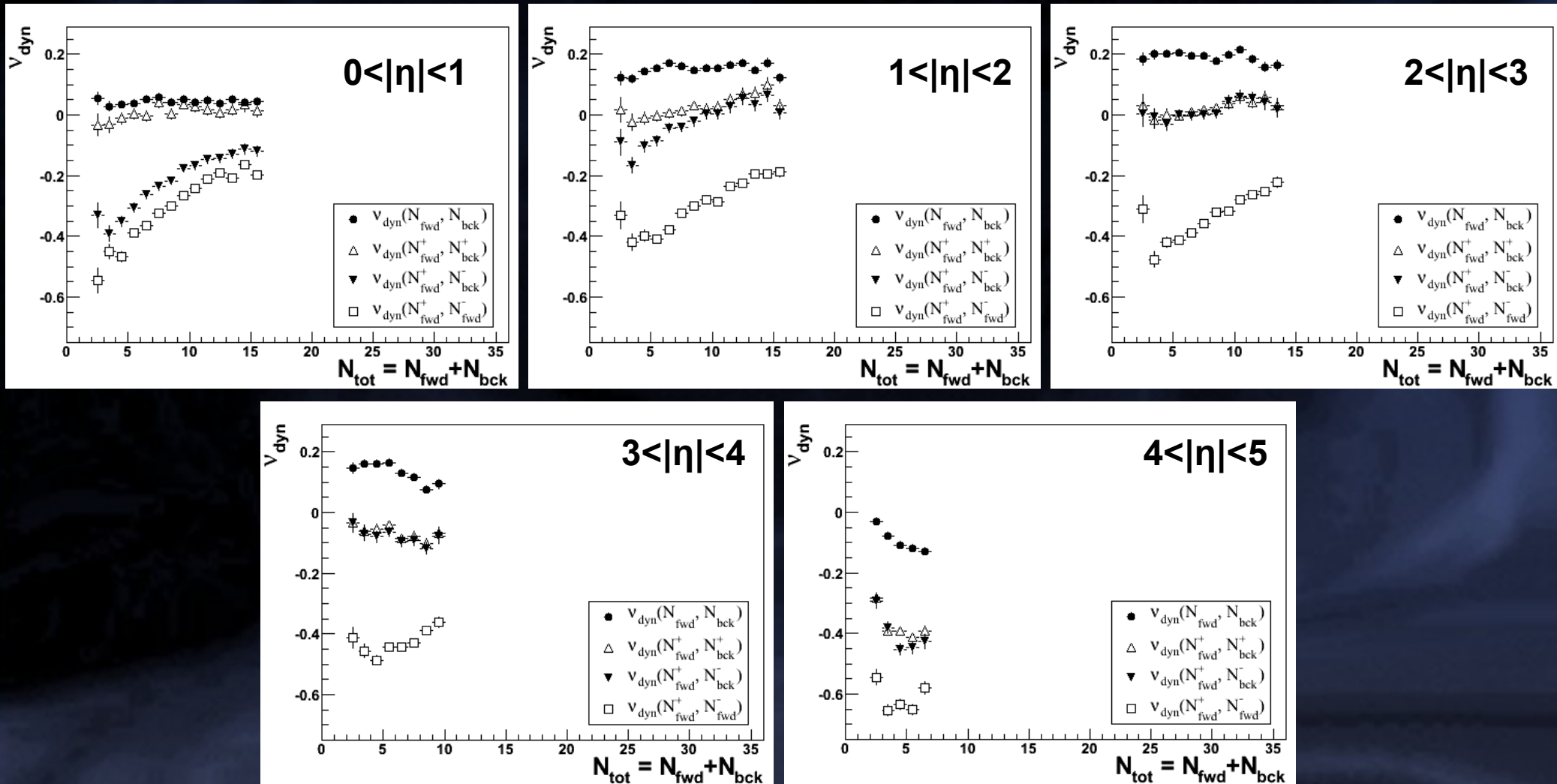
- This global variation is the same for all 3 terms
 - → Adding the 3 terms this dependence falls out!

$$v_{\text{dyn}}(N_{\text{fwd}}, N_{\text{bck}}) \text{ vs } N_{\text{fwd}} + N_{\text{bck}}$$



- I want to use that $v_{\text{dyn}}(N_{\text{fwd}}^+, N_{\text{bck}}^+) \sim 0$ to make sure that when I construct $v_{\text{dyn}}(N_{\text{bck}}^+, \Sigma_{\text{pt}}(+, \text{fwd}))$ I do not have any dynamical fluctuations at the particle level!
 - Otherwise the fluctuations could originate from particle number fluctuations

Pseudo rapidity dependence



- I believe that the fluctuations in bin $4 < |\eta| < 5$ are dominated by the net-protons