## Soft QCD from $e^+e^-$ to AA

with focus on recent Pythia developments

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#### Introduction

- Small system collectivity = surge of interest in soft QCD.
  - Event generator ( $e^+e^-$  picture) under pressure.
  - Pressure = possibilities! Microscopic insight to QGP.
- Modifications to clean picture already in pp.
  - MPI@LHC 2008: Color reconnection  $\rightarrow$  single particle observables.
  - MPI@LHC 2018: Ropes, shoving  $\rightarrow$  multi particle observables, hadrochemistry.
  - MPI@LHC: Multi-Nucleon Interactions  $\rightarrow$  Extending the Pythia MPI model to HI.
- This talk:
  - 1. Short review on Lund soft QCD (string model).
  - 2. Ropes / shoving.
  - 3. Some pp results.
  - 4. The Angantyr extension to AA.
  - 5. Some pA and AA results.

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- $\tau \approx 0$  fm: Strings no transverse extension. No interactions, partons may propagate.
- $\tau \approx$  0.6 fm: Parton shower ends. Depending on "diluteness", strings may shove each other around.
  - $\tau\approx 1~{\rm fm:}~{\rm Strings}$  at full transverse extension. Shoving effect maximal.
  - $\tau\approx 2$  fm: Strings will hadronize. Possibly as a colour rope.

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#### Some Results: shoving

- Reproduces the pp ridge with suitable choice of g parameter.
- Improved description of v<sub>2</sub>2|∆eta| > 2.(p⊥) at high multiplicity.
- Low multiplicity not reproduced well problems for jet fragmentation?



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# Multi-Nucleon Interactions (CB, Gustafson, Lönnblad: JHEP 1610 (2016) 139, += Shah: JHEP

- Pythia MPI model extended to heavy ions since v. 8.235.
- Based on Glauber geometry with Gribov colour fluctuations.
- Focus on correct handling of diffractive processes and forward production.
- Particle production: Similarity between:
  - 1. Single diffractive excitation.
  - 2. Secondary absorption.



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#### Angantyr the Berserker!

- Same poem as Fritiof.
- Yields the sword Tyrfing, kills every time it is drawn.



- Fully integrated with Pythia.
- Internal or external ME's.
- Support for several nuclei.
- C++, Python interface distributed w. Pythia.
- Output: Rivet, HepMC, ROOT6 trees.

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WANTED: Unfolded, particle level centrality measures

• Preferably in Rivet.

#### **Centrality bias**

- Enables detailed study of centrality bias.
- Highlights importance of initial state fluctuations.



- Several nuclei, mid- $\eta$  particle production.
- Centrality bias not as important.



#### **Results** AA

- Spectra not equally well reproduced.
- Currently no QGP effects (ropes, shoving) in AA.



- String-string interactions = effects similar to collectivity in small systems.
  - 1. Shoving: The "ridge" and small system flow.
  - 2. Ropes: Hadrochemistry, strangeness enhancement.
- Issue: Better models for initial state geometry.
- Wishlist: Models with (a) perturbative input (b) more than 1 class of observables.
- The Angantyr extension to pA and AA.
  - 1. Download and use today.
  - 2. Does well for soft particle production.
  - 3. No collective effects yet.