# History, status and future of multi-particle production in high energy collisions



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#### Disclaimer on history:

"Histories of science are as far from objective truth as can be imagined (as those given to the population in George Orwell's 1984)."

Thomas Samuel Kuhn (1922-1996)

# Template:

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#### **Experimental discoveries**

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# Problems: define all possible final(micro)-states define probability distribution

≈1950	Discoveries of hadrons				
≈ <b>1950/60</b>	statistical hadron production	≈1950/70 S-matrix theory			
~1960/70	Discoveries of quarks and gluons				
≈ <b>1980/00</b>	statistical QGP hadronization statistical parton production	≈1970/00 pQCD-based models QCD-inspired models			
≈1990/00	Discoveries of strongly interacting matter and its phase transition				
2010+	future	2010+ future			

≈1950 Discoveries of hadrons

#### **Pioneering discoveries with cosmic-rays:**

- -1947: **pion** (emulsion, *Powell et al.*)
- -1947: **kaon and ∧** (cloud chamber, *Rochester, Butler*)

#### Systematic studies with accelerators:

Cosmotron at BNL - Bevatron at LBL -	3 GeV 3 GeV
 PS at CERN - AGS at BNL	28 GeV 33 GeV
Main Ring at FNAL SPS at CERN	500 GeV 400 GeV

2010: about 1000 hadronic states







#### **Pioneering ideas/models:**

- -1941: W. Heisenberg S-matrix theory as a theory of particle interactions
- ≈1960: T. Regge + G. Chew, S. Frautschi, J. Collins **Regge theory**
- ≈1970: G. Veneziano, S. Mandelstam string model
- -1976: A. Bialas, M. Bleszynski, W. Czyz wounded nucleon model

$$\langle N \rangle_{AB} = W_{AB}/2 \circ \langle N \rangle_{NN}$$

# $\approx$ 1960/70 Discoveries of quarks and gluons

#### **Pioneering ideas/experiments:**

- -1964: M. Gell-Mann, G. Zweig quark model of hadron classification
- -1965: D. Ivanenko, D. Kurdgelaidze quark matter in superdense star cores
- -1968: SLAC experiments: deep inelastic scattering discovery of partons (now q, q and g)
- -1972: M. Gell-Mann, H. Fritzsch, D. Gross, F. Wilczek, D. Politzer qunatum chromodynamics as theory of strong interactions

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- -1978: E. Shuryak QCD quark-gluon plasma (T<sub>c</sub> ≈ 500 MeV)
- -1979: experiments at DESY: three-jet events discovery of gluons



#### **Pioneering ideas/models:**

-1980: R. Hagedorn, J. Rafelski  $T_c = T_H \approx 160 \text{ MeV}$ 

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-1991: J. Rafelski statistical QGP hadronization
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≈1995: M.G., M. Gorenstein statistical production of partons at T > T<sub>c</sub> and of hadrons at T < T<sub>c</sub>





 $f(m_{T}) \sim m_{T}^{-P}$ 

#### **Pioneering ideas/models:**

-1977: R. Field, R. Feynman pQCD-based model of high p<sub>-</sub> phenomena

≈1980: J. Rafelski, B. Mueller, T. Matsui, H. Satz QCD-inspired models of QGP signals, strangeness enhancement and J/ψ suppression

-1991: K. Geiger, B. Mueller, J. Ellis QCD-inspired parton cascade and hadronization model

# ≈1990/00 Discoveries of strongly interacting matter and its phase transition

**Pioneering ideas/experiments:** 

-1980/00: AGS/SPS/RHIC experiments with heavy ions discovery of strongly interacting matter (large volume, in ≈equilibrium)

≈2000: M.G., M. Gorenstein statistical model predictions of the phase transition at the SPS energies

≈2000: NA49 at the CERN SPS discovery of phase transition of strongly interacting matter



AGS

SPS

RHIC

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**Disclaimer on status:** 

"CERN was built in order to find out how strong interactions work. After 50 years we still do not know the answer."

*Lucien Montanet (1930-2003), the sixth physicists to be employed at CERN* 

### Sketch of the experimental m\_ spectrum



# String and Wounded Nucleon Models

SOFT/DYNAMICAL



# **QCD-inspired models of QGP signals: strangeness enhancement**

SOFT/DYNAMICAL



#### Discoveries of strongly interacting matter (A) SOFT/STATISTICAL



success of hadron-resonance gas model in describing hadron yield systematics from AGS, SPS and RHIC

#### **Discoveries of strongly interacting matter (B)** SOFT/STATISTICAL





Florkowski

at RHIC

success of hydrodynamical models in describing hadron spectra/(anisotropic flow) systematics from AGS, SPS and RHIC

# **Discoveries of strongly interacting matter (C)**

SOFT/STATISTICAL



non-statistical effects (e.g. collective flow) are large and sensitive to properties of the early stage (e.g. phase transition)

#### Discoveries of the phase transition (A) SOFT/STATISTICAL



rapid changes in energy dependence of hadron production properties provide evidence for the phase transition

#### Discoveries of the phase transition (B) SOFT/STATISTICAL



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# **Properties of the transition line (A)**

SOFT/STATISTICAL



#### **Properties of the transition line (B)** SOFT/STATISTICAL



#### Properties of the transition line (C) SOFT/STATISTICAL



# **Towards unified description (A)**

SOFT+HARD/STATISTICAL/DYNAMICAL



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Towards unified description of multi-particle production in high energy collisions:

- solve QCD or develop quantitative approximations in the soft region
- extend statistical approach to the hard region
- new ideas

# **Towards unified description (B)**

Volume fluctuations in micro-canonical statistical ensemble SOFT+HARD/STATISTICAL



#### **Towards unified description (C)** SOFT+HARD/STATISTICAL/DYNAMICAL

#### LHC: a powerful tool to test various ideas



#### Towards unified description (D) SOFT+HARD/STATISTICAL

e.g.: MCE/sVF: transverse mass spectra,  $f(m_{T})$ , of different hadrons are the same as suggested by the Tevatron data



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## BNL AGS → CERN SPS → BNL RHIC → CERN LHC



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ALICE

## rich experimental data: from p+p to Pb+Pb from several GeV to several TeV

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Still many, many things to do					
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