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# Self-similarity of cumulative hadron production in p-A collisions at low and high $p_T$

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## Content





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#### **Motivation & Goals**

Search for possible signatures of new physics phenomena in inclusive pp, pA, AA collisions.

z-Scaling reveals self-similar properties in hadron, jet and direct photon production in high energy p-p & p-p-bar collisions.

Analysis of experimental data on inclusive spectra of cumulative hadron production in pA collisions to verify properties of z-scaling.

- > pA is a reference frame for pp & AA
- > cumulative process:
  - enhancement of nuclear matter compression
  - particle formation is sensitive to state of matter
- search for indications of phase transition & CP



# Self-similarity in physics

Self-similarity means that a pattern is similar to a part of itself.
 Universal description using self-similarity variables constructed as suitable combinations of physical quantities.

Self-similarity variables  $\Pi$  (Re,  $\pi$ , M,...)

#### Point explosion

 $\pi = r(Et^{2}/\rho)^{-1/5}$ r-radius of the front wave E-energy of the explosion t-elapsed time  $\rho$ -density of the environment



#### Hydrodynamics

Re=dVρ/ηd-diameterV-velocity of the fluidρ-density of the fluidη-viscosity of the fluid



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Dimensionless function & self-similarity variable



## z-Scaling

#### Principles: locality, self-similarity, fractality

P <sub>1</sub>	P.	Locality: collisions of hadrons and nuclei are expressed via interactions of their constituents (partons, quarks and gluons,). $M_1, \delta_1$	$-M_2, \delta_2$
	<i>″</i> //\	Self-similarity: interactions of the constituents	
	X	are mutually similar. $m_2$	
		Fractality: the self-similarity over a wide scale range.	

#### Hypothesis of z-scaling:

 $s^{1/2}$ ,  $p_T$ ,  $\theta_{cms}$ 

Inclusive particle distributions can be described in terms of constituent sub-processes and parameters characterizing bulk properties of the system.

 $Ed^3\sigma/dp^3$ 

Scaled inclusive cross section of particles depends in a self-similar way on a single scaling variable z.

I.Zborovsky, M.Tokarev, Yu.Panebratsev, G.Skoro Int.J.Mod.Phys. A16 (2001) 1281

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 $x_{1}, x_{2}$ 

 $\delta_1, \delta_2$ 

 $\Psi(z)$ 

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## Self-similar variable z



>√s<sub>⊥</sub> is the transverse kinetic energy of the subprocess consumed on production of  $m_1 \& m_2$ 

 $> dN_{ch}/d\eta|_0$  is the multiplicity density of charged particles at  $\eta = 0$ 

- $\geq$  m is an arbitrary constant (fixed at the value of nucleon mass)
- >  $\Omega^{-1}$  is the minimal resolution at which a constituent subprocess can be singled out of the inclusive reaction

z is the dimensionless variable



## Fractal measure z

#### The fractality is reflected in definition of z

$$z = z_0 \, \Omega^{-1}$$
$$\Omega = (1 - x_1)^{\delta_1} (1 - x_2)^{\delta_2}$$



- $\Omega$  is relative number of configurations containing a sub-process with fractions  $x_1, x_2$  of the corresponding 4-momenta
- $\delta_1, \delta_2$  are parameters characterizing structure of the colliding objects

Kinematic boundary

$$0 < x_1, x_2 < 1$$

 $\Omega^{-1}(x_1, x_2)$  characterizes resolution at which a constituent subprocess can be singled out of the inclusive reaction

→ ∞ The fractal measure z diverges as the resolution  $\Omega^{-1}$  increases.



# Scaling function $\Psi(z)$



- $\succ \sigma_{in}$  inelastic cross section
- $\triangleright$  N average multiplicity of the corresponding hadron species
- >  $dN/d\eta$  pseudorapidity multiplicity density at angle  $\theta$  ( $\eta$ )
- >  $J(z,\eta;p_T^2,y)$  Jacobian
- $\blacktriangleright$  Ed<sup>3</sup> $\sigma$ /dp<sup>3</sup> inclusive cross section

The scaling function  $\Psi(z)$  is probability density to produce the inclusive particle with the corresponding z.



# Self-similarity of hadron production in pp

FNAL (Batavia) & IHEP (Protvino)



- ➢ 10 orders of magnitude
   ➢ Sensitive to energy √s at high p<sub>T</sub>
- > Power law for high  $\sqrt{s}$  and  $p_T$

J.W. Cronin et.al., Phys. Rev. D11 (1975) 3105.
D. Antreasyan et al., Phys. Rev. D19 (1979) 764.
V.V. Abramov et al., Sov. J. Nucl. Phys. 41 (1985) 357.
D.E. Jaffe et al., Phys. Rev. D40 (1989) 2777.



Scale invariance Independence of the shape of the curve on  $\{z,\Psi\}$  plane on scale quantities  $\sqrt{s}$ ,  $p_T$ , $\theta$ 



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## **Cumulative processes**

A.M.Baldin & V.S.Stavinsky (1971)

The cumulative particle is a particle produced in the region forbidden for free nucleon kinematics:



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# High-p<sub>T</sub> cumulative hadron spectra in pA at U70



U70 (V.Gapienko et al.)

 $p_L = 50 \text{ GeV/c}, A = C,Al,Cu,W$  $\theta_{lab} = 35 \text{ deg}.$ 

- ➢ Universal shape of Ψ(z)
  ➢ Power law for z > 4
- No discontinuity of  $\delta_A$

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N.N.Antonov et al. (IHEP, Protvino) "Physics of Fundamental Interactions", Russian Academy of Science, ITEP,Moscow, Russia, 21-25 November, 2011. V.V.Ammosov et al., Phys. At. Nucl. 76 (2013) 1213.

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## Momentum fractions $x_1, x_2$ vs. $p_T$



 $p+A \rightarrow \pi + X$ 

	р	С	Al	Cu	W
$p_{T \max}^{\pi}$ (GeV/c)	2.62	15.6	20.7	24.4	26.7

Kinematic boundary  $0 < x_1, x_2 < 1$ 

Non-cumulative region  $x_2 < 1/A$ 

Cumulative region  $x_2 > 1/A$ 

Deep-cumulative region  $x_2 > >1/A$ 

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## Deep-cumulative hadron spectra in pA

#### predictions based on z-scaling

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Spectra in deep-cumulative & high- $p_T$  region:  $p_T > 2.5$  GeV/c

- $\triangleright$  Exponential behavior of spectra vs.  $p_T$
- > Verification of the additive law  $\delta_A = A \delta_N$



# Cumulative pion spectra in pA at FNAL

G.Leksin et al.

 $\mathbf{p}_{\mathrm{L}} = 400 \; \mathrm{GeV/c}, \quad \mathbf{A} = \mathrm{Li}, \mathrm{Be}, \mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Al}, \mathrm{Cu}, \mathrm{Ta}$  $\theta_{lab} = 70,90,118,160 \text{ deg.}$ Ed<sup>3</sup>ơ/ dp<sup>3</sup>, mb/CeV<sup>2</sup>c<sup>3</sup> t Ed<sup>3</sup>c/ dp<sup>3</sup>, mb/CeV<sup>2</sup>c<sup>3</sup> 1  $p+Li \rightarrow \pi^++X$  $p+C \rightarrow \pi^++X$  $p+Ta \rightarrow \pi^++X$ 10 10 p = 400 GeV/c p. = 400 GeV/c p = 400 GeV/c 1



> Spectra in cumulative region: p > 0.5 GeV/c.

- Smooth behavior of spectra vs. p.
- Strong angular dependence with p.
- A-dependence of spectra (A=7-181).

N.A. Nikiforov et al., Phys.Rev.C22 (1980)700.

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# Low-p<sub>T</sub> cumulative pion production in pA at FNAL

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- > No discontinuty of  $\delta_A = A_2 \delta$

A.Aparin & M.Tokarev Phys. Part. and Nucl. Let. V. 11, 2, (2014) 91 Scale invariance Independence of the shape of the curve on  $\{z,\Psi\}$  plane on scale quantities  $\sqrt{s}$ ,  $p_T$ , $\theta$ 

$$z \rightarrow \alpha(A)z \qquad \Psi$$

 $\Psi \to \alpha^{-1}(A)\Psi$ 

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## Deep-cumulative pion spectra in pA





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# Low-p<sub>T</sub> cumulative pion spectra in pA at U70

z

z



U70 (L.Zolin et al.)

 $p_L = 18, 58 \text{ GeV/c},$ A = Be, C, Al, Ti, Mo, W,  $\theta_{\text{lab}} = 159 \text{ deg}.$ 

- ➢ Universal shape of Ψ(z)
   ➢ Power law for z > 4
- > No discontinuity of  $\delta_A$

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O.P.Gavrishchuk et al., Nucl. Phys. A523 (1991) 589.

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## Deep-cumulative pion spectra in pA



#### predictions based on z-scaling

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Spectra in deep-cumulative & low-p<sub>T</sub> region: p > 0.6 GeV/c
 Exponential behavior of spectra vs. p.

Discontinuity of  $\delta_A$  is a signatures of phase transition of compressed nuclear matter



# Self-similarity of hadron production in pA

FNAL (J.Cronin, G.Leksin, D.Jaffe) & U70 (R.Sulyaev, V.Gapienko)



#### Search for phase transition & CP $\iff$ Search for violation of z-scaling



# Conclusions

- ➤ Data on cumulative hadron spectra obtained by G.Leksin, L.Zolin and V.Gapienko groups in pA collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 11 27.4$  GeV were analyzed in the framework of z-scaling.
- Results of this analysis were compared with previous ones from the data obtained by J. Cronin, R. Sulyaev and D. Jaffe groups.
- Indication on self-similarity of hadron production in pA collisions at high energies in the cumulative region were obtained.
- ► Universality of the shape of  $\Psi(z)$  was used to predict particles spectra in pA collisions in the deep-cumulative range (1/A << x<sub>2</sub> < 1).

The results can be used to develop the program to search for new physics phenomena in pA collisions at U70, RHIC, LHC & NICA, FAIR





# Thank you for your attention!



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