Revisiting of the soft-hard separation of the transverse momentum spectra in pp collisions

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Issues:







- Systems:
 - 5.02 TeV, 13 TeV (pp \rightarrow ch)
- p_T ranges:
 - 0.15 GeV $\le p_T \le p_0$
 - **p**₀ in [0.4, 3.0], dp_T = 0.05
- Fit functions:
 - Most simple Boltzmann

 $f(p_T) = A \exp\left(-\frac{p_T}{T}\right)$

• Most simple Tsallis

$$f(p_T) = A \left(1 + p_T \frac{q-1}{T}\right)^{-\frac{q}{q-1}}$$



























Results - Boltzmann







But the *temperature* is related to the mean transverse momentum...

And to collective flow properties...

And to entropy density...

And to viscosity...

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Normalized yields and event multiplicity

Charged hadrons: common crossing for all LHC energies \rightarrow hint for soft limit?



Various mean p_T limits w.r.t. multiplicity



Sensitivity of the soft part on the integration

limits



Summary

- The mean of the distributions can be **ill defined** (not to mention the extrapolations)
- The exponential-like Blast-wave fits (and the extracted flow properties) can be **ill defined**
- The extracted temperature (and therefore many other quantities) **strongly depends** on the applied definitions
- The soft/hard limit is controversial and question of interpretation

Thank you for your attention!

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Results – p-Pb, Boltzmann



