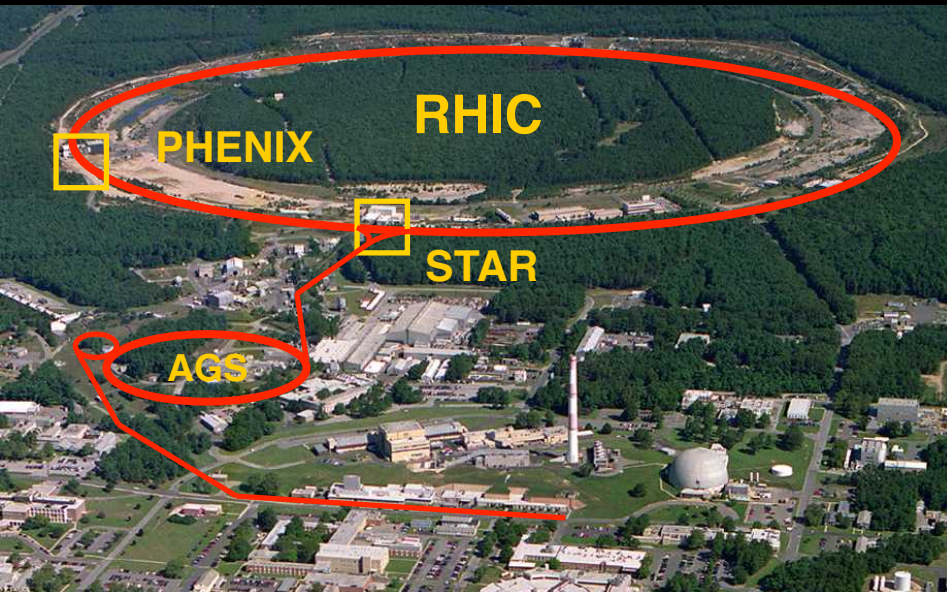
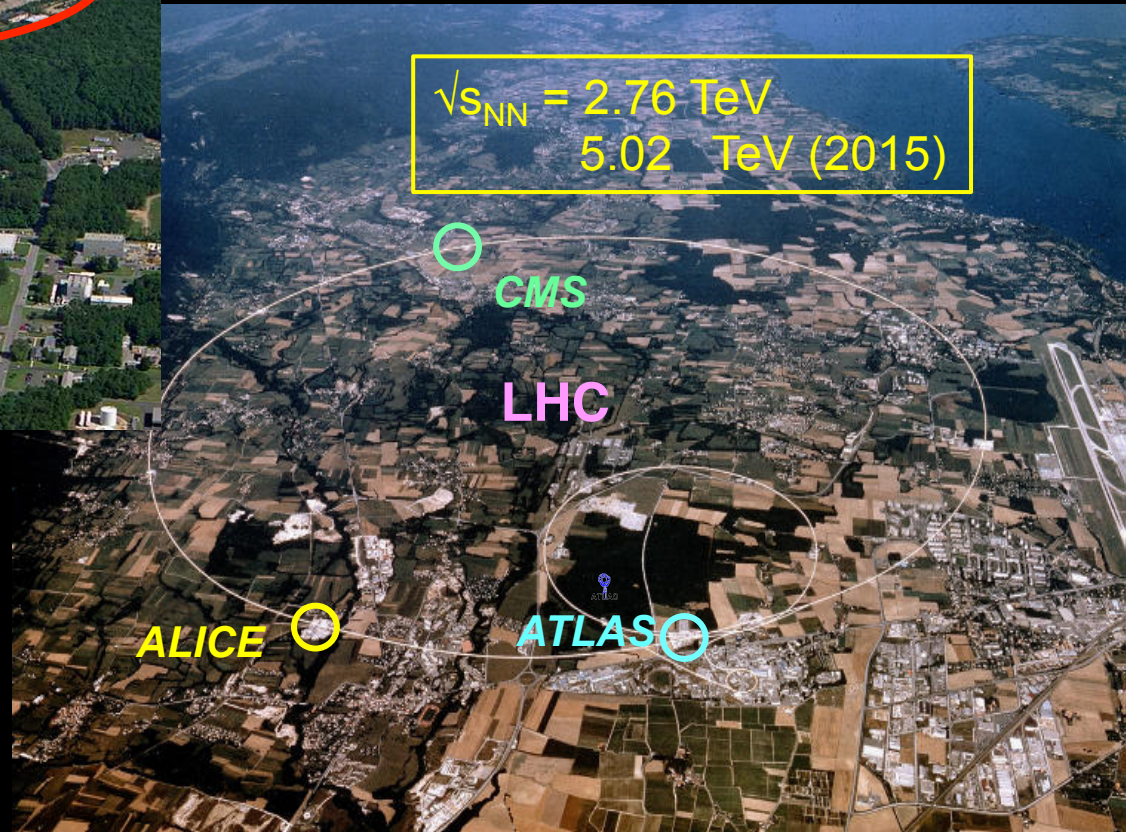


# Ultra-relativistic Heavy-Ion Physics and Experiments



$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 7 - 200 \text{ GeV}$

Cover 3 decades of energy  
in center-of-mass



$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76 \text{ TeV}$   
 $5.02 \text{ TeV (2015)}$

Investigate properties of hot QCD matter at  $T \sim 150 - 1000 \text{ MeV!}$

# *Ultra-relativistic Heavy-Ion Physics and Experiments*

## Outline:

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# Top Ten Physics Newsmakers of 2000 – 2010

<http://www.aps.org/publications/apsnews/201002/newsmakers.cfm>

“Stories with the most lasting physical significance & impact in physics”

**The Large Hadron Collider (LHC)** – modern marvel of science, last piece of standard model.

**The Decade of Carbon** – carbon nanotubes & graphene, will revolutionize electronics.

**Negative Index of Refraction Materials** – meta-materials make objects seem to disappear.

**The Wilkinson Microwave Anisotropy Probe** – leftover heat from Big Bang.

**Quantum Teleportation** – quantum information transport across macroscopic distances.

**Quark-Gluon Plasma** – first instances after Big Bang, all matter as hot quarks & gluons.

**Gravity Probe B** – observed the geodetic effect (to look for frame dragging in general relativity).

**Light Stopped** – actually stopped altogether and stored for up to 20 milliseconds.

**Direct Evidence for Dark Matter** – two colliding galaxies confirm presence of dark matter.

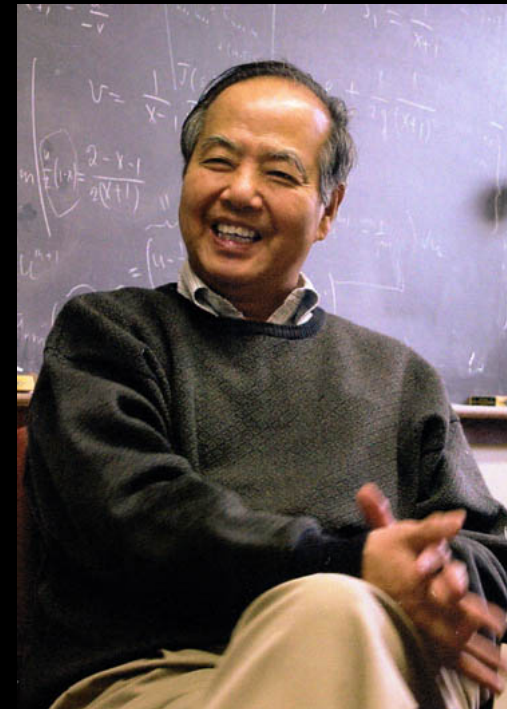
**Advances in Computing** –  $> 10^{15}$  calculations / sec., map bio-structures, supercomputers.

# Distinguishing Heavy Ion Approach from HE Physics & Recreating the Primordial **Q**uark-**G**luon Soup

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T.D. Lee (Nobel Laureate)  
Rev. Mod. Phys. 47 (1975) 267.

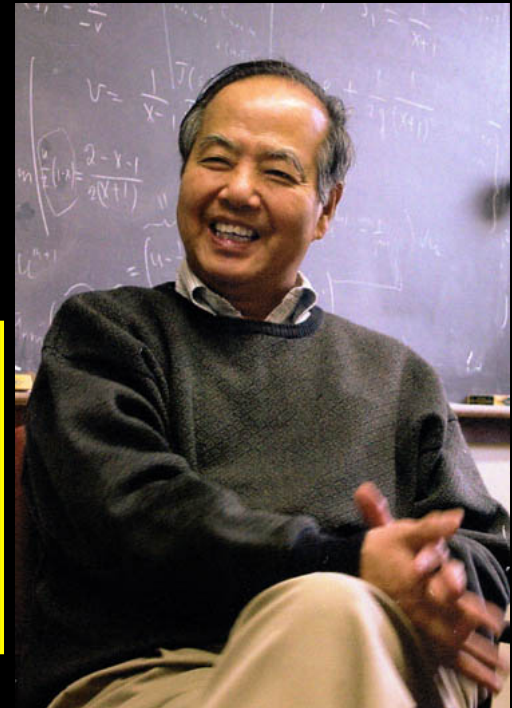




# Distinguishing Heavy Ion Approach from HE Physics & Recreating the Primordial Quark-Gluon Soup

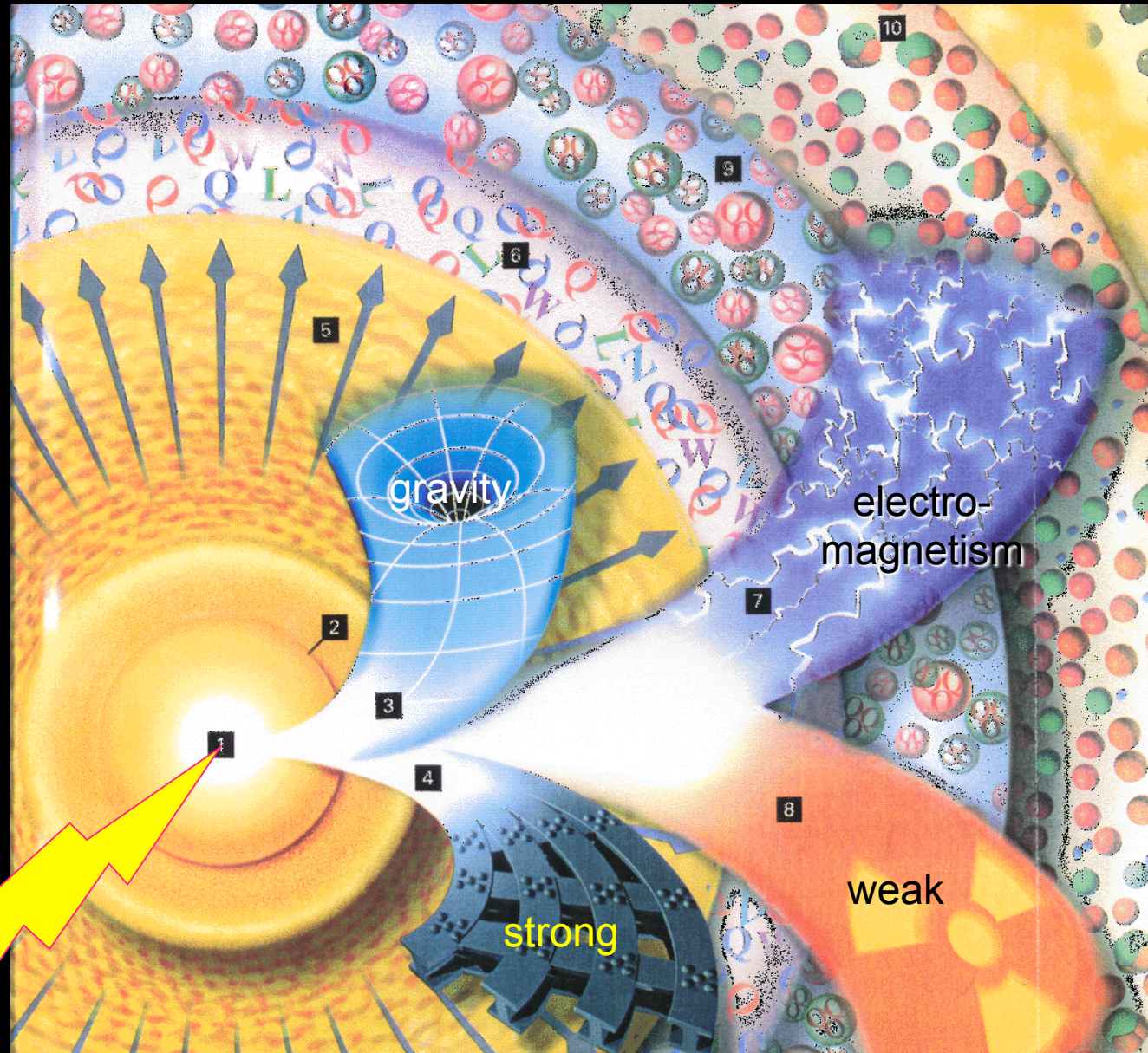
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Question – What do you think T.D. Lee meant by studying the ‘vacuum’? What happens in these collisions to make that possible?

# On the "First Day"



*There was light!*

John Harris (Yale)

Courtesy Nat. Geographic, Vol. 185, No. 1, 1994 – Graphics by Chuck Carter  
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# On the "First Day"

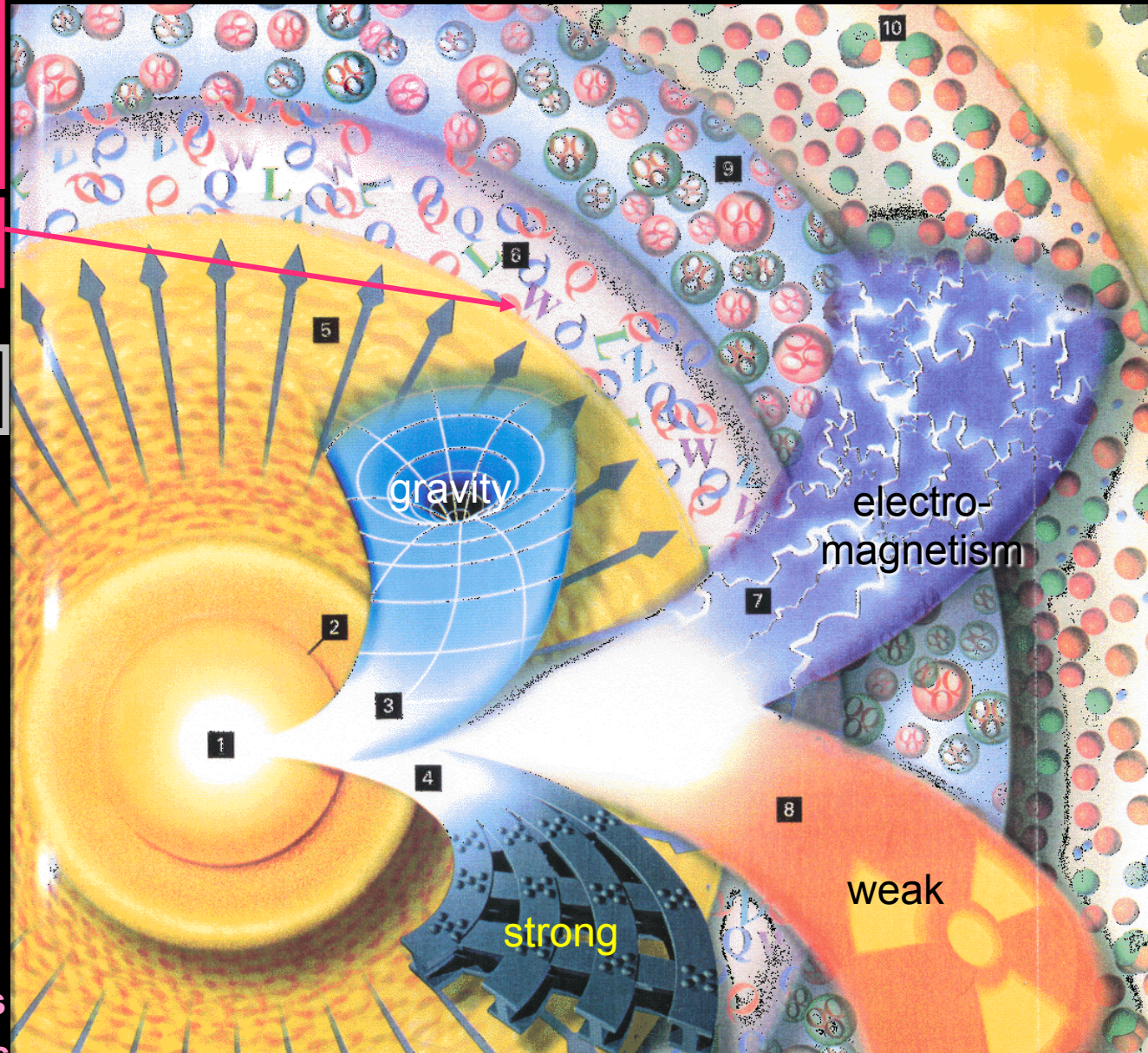
then at  $10 \mu\text{-seconds}$   
&  $2 \times 10^{12}$  Kelvin  
Quark-to-hadron\*  
phase transition

Quark-Gluon Plasma

Rapid inflation

gravity, strong & E-W  
forces separate

at  $10^{-43}$  seconds



\* hadrons = nuclear particles  
= mesons, baryons

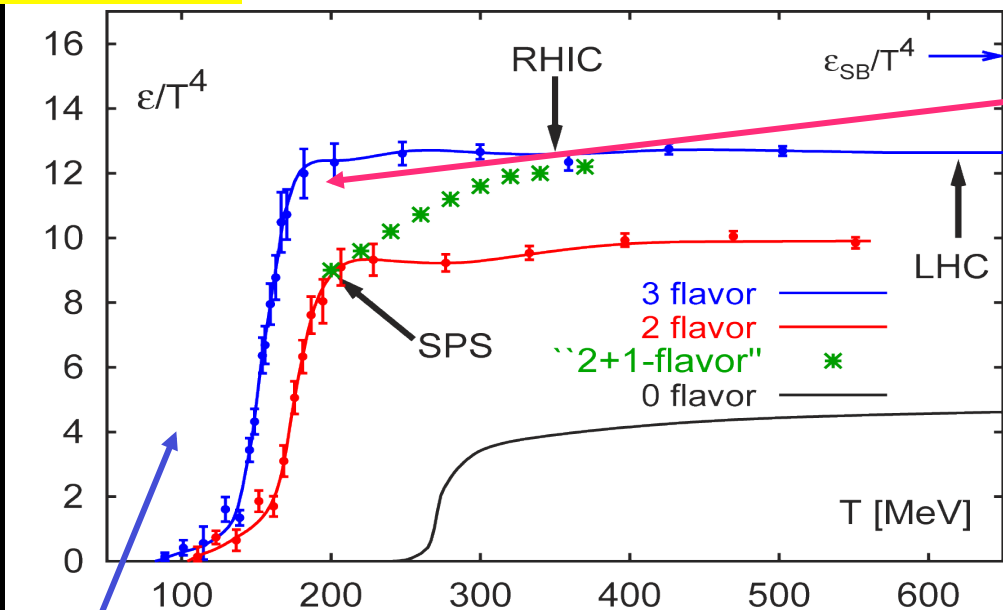
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# Behavior of $QCD^*$ at High Temperature

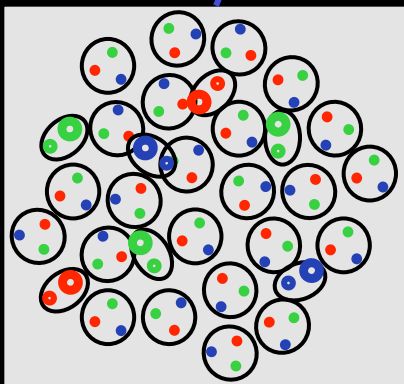
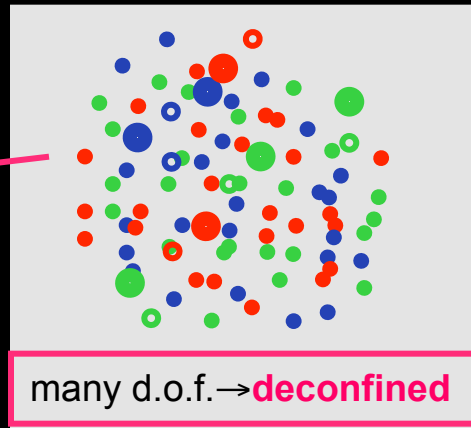
\* Quantum Chromo-Dynamics

$\epsilon/T^4 \sim \# \text{ degrees of freedom}$

$$\epsilon = \frac{v\pi^2}{30} T^4$$



F. Karsch, et al.  
Nucl. Phys. B605  
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few d.o.f. → **confined**

$$T_C \sim 175 \pm 8 \text{ MeV} \rightarrow \epsilon_C \sim 0.3 - 1 \text{ GeV/fm}^3$$

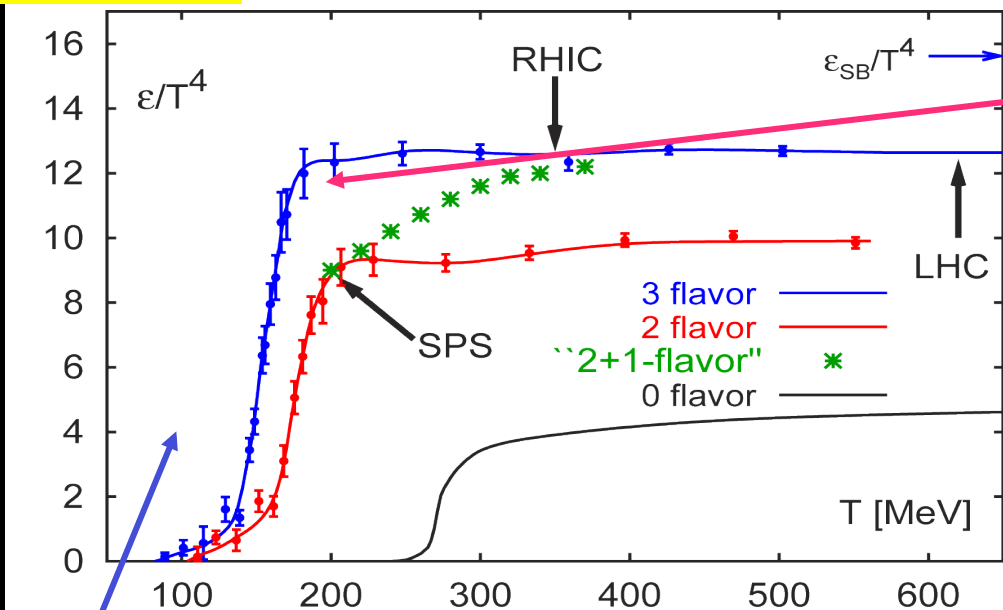


# Behavior of QCD\* at High Temperature

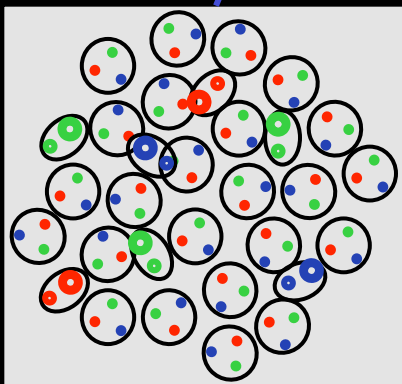
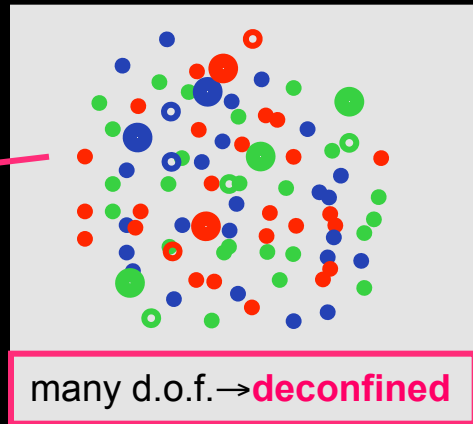
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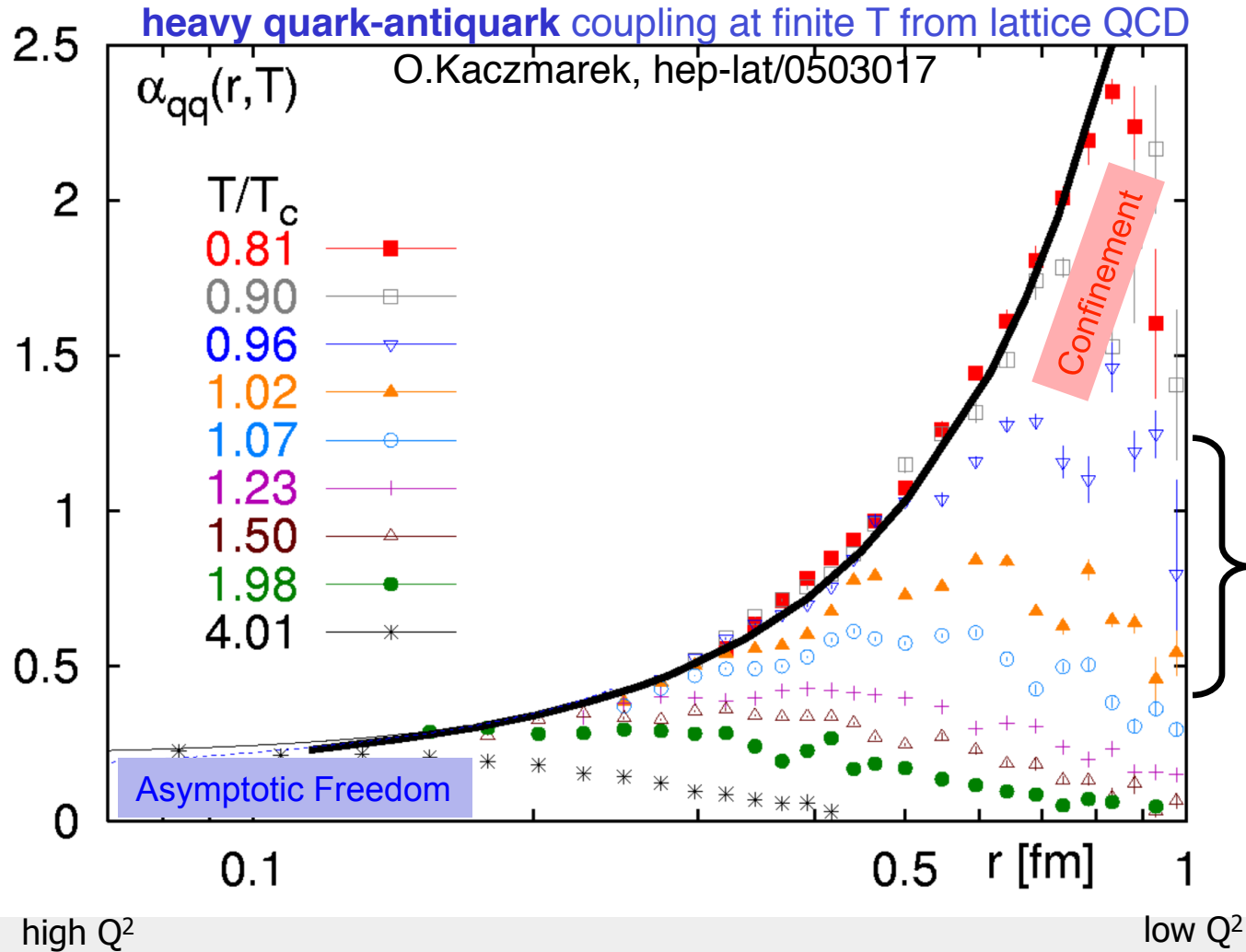
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Recent LQCD results with improved actions:  
A. Bazavov et al, Phys. Rev. D80 (2009) 014504  
P. Petreczky, Journal of Physics G39 (2012) 093002

$$T_C \sim 185 - 195 \text{ MeV} \rightarrow \epsilon_C \sim 0.3 - 1 \text{ GeV/fm}^3$$

# Modifications to QCD Coupling Constant $\alpha_s$



**Constituents** -  
Hadrons,  
dressed quarks,  
quasi-hadrons,  
resonances?

**Coupling strength varies**  
investigates  
(de-)confinement,  
hadronization,  
& intermediate  
objects.

# Modifications to QCD Coupling Constant $\alpha_s$

## Nobel Prize 2004

D. Gross  
H.D. Politzer  
F. Wilczek

QCD Asymptotic Freedom (1973)



“Before [QCD] we could not go back further than 200,000 years after the Big Bang. Today...since QCD simplifies at high energy, we can extrapolate to very early times when nucleons melted...to form a quark-gluon plasma.”

David Gross, Nobel Lecture (RMP 05)

# Quark-Gluon Plasma (Soup)

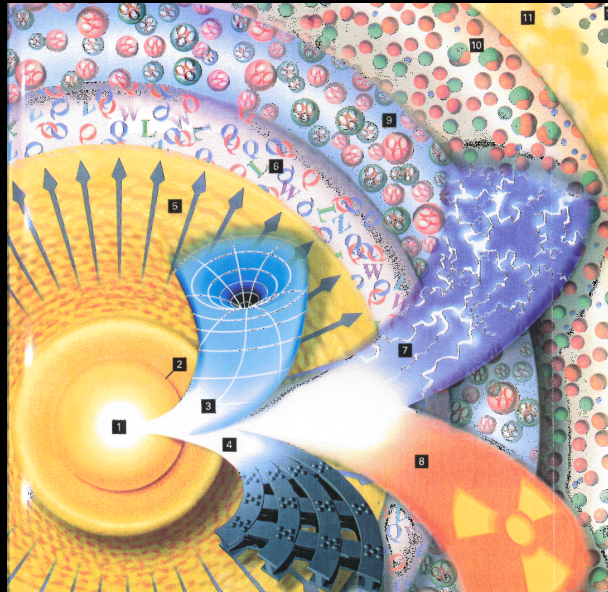
- Standard Model → Lattice Gauge Calculations predict QCD Deconfinement phase transition at  $T = 175 - 190$  MeV
- Cosmology → Quark-hadron phase transition in early Universe
- Astrophysics → Cores of dense stars (?)
- Can we make it in the lab?



- Establish properties of QCD at high  $T$



# Re-creating the Primordial **Quark-Gluon Plasma** at RHIC and LHC



# SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN

Bringing  
DNA Computers  
to Life

MAY 2006  
WWW.SCIAM.COM

## Quark Soup

PHYSICISTS RE-CREATE  
THE LIQUID STUFF OF  
**THE EARLIEST  
UNIVERSE**

Stopping  
**Alzheimer's**

Birth of  
**the Amazon**



# BIG PICTURE Questions

What are the states of matter that exist at high temperature and density?

- Can we explore the phase structure of a fundamental gauge (QCD) theory?

→ Can we use this to understand other gauge theories (like gravity!)?

- Is the Phase Diagram of QCD featureless above  $T_c$ ?

→ What are the constituents (are there quasi-particles, exotic states, others)?

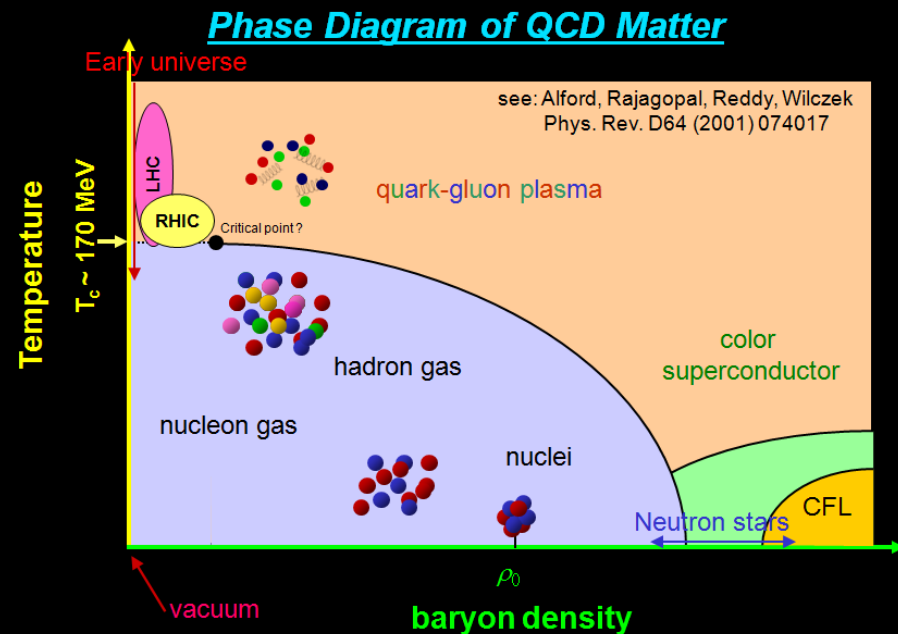
→ When does the “quark-gluon soup” become resolvable into quarks and gluons?

→ Is there a critical point (RHIC Energy Scan)?

What are the properties of the QGP?

transport properties,  $\alpha_s(T)$ ,  
sound attenuation length,  
shear viscosity/entropy density,  
formation time ( $\tau_f$ ),  
excited modes, ....EOS?

Are there new phenomena,  
new states of matter?



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# Where and How Do We Do This?

- STAR & PHENIX experiments at the Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider (RHIC)  
at Brookhaven National Laboratory, Long Island, New York

$$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = \text{Au} + \text{Au} \text{ at } 7 - 200 \text{ GeV per colliding nucleon pair}$$



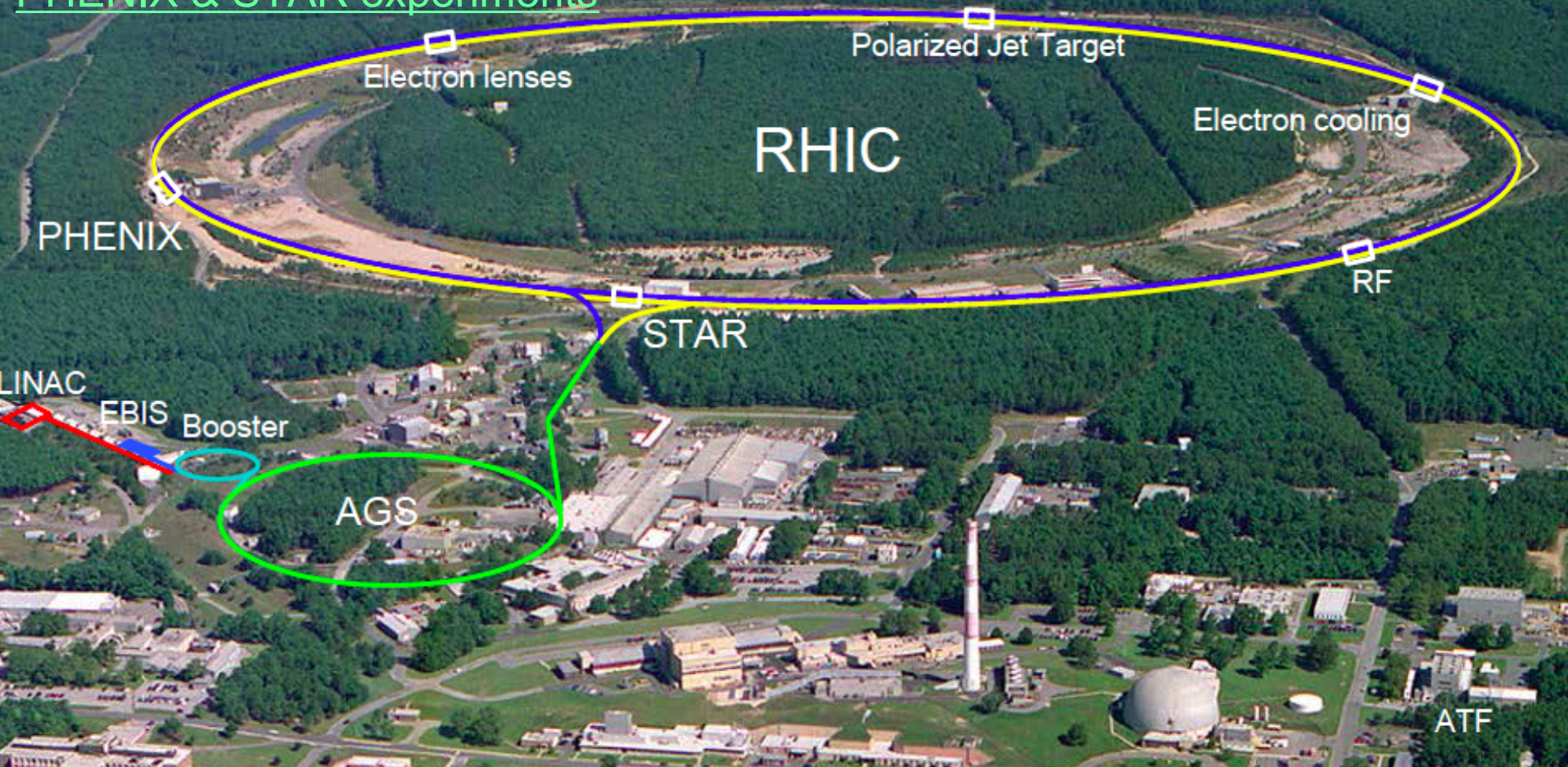
- ALICE, ATLAS, CMS, LHCb experiments at the Large Hadron Collider (LHC)  
at CERN, Geneva, Switzerland

$$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = \text{Pb} + \text{Pb} \text{ at } 2.76 \text{ \& soon } 5.0 \text{ TeV per colliding nucleon pair}$$



# Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider (RHIC) since 2000

PHENIX & STAR experiments



$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 7 - 200 \text{ GeV}$  (15 energies) Au+Au, d+Au,  $^3\text{He}+\text{Au}$ , Cu+Cu, Cu+Au, U+U

$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200 \text{ \& } 500 \text{ GeV}$  protons (polarized)



# The Two “Large” Experiments at RHIC

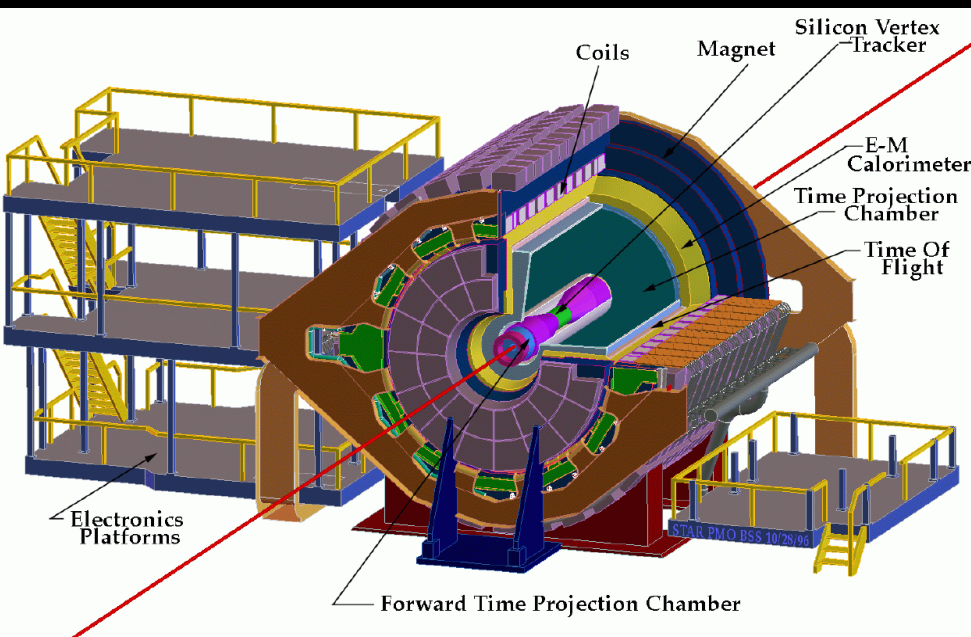
## STAR

Solenoidal field  $0 < \varphi < 2\pi$ ,  $|\eta| < 1$

Large- $\Omega$  Tracking

TPC's, Si-Vertex Tracker

RICH, EM Cal, TOF



- Hadronic Observables
- Large Acceptance, Jets
- Event-by-Event Analyses

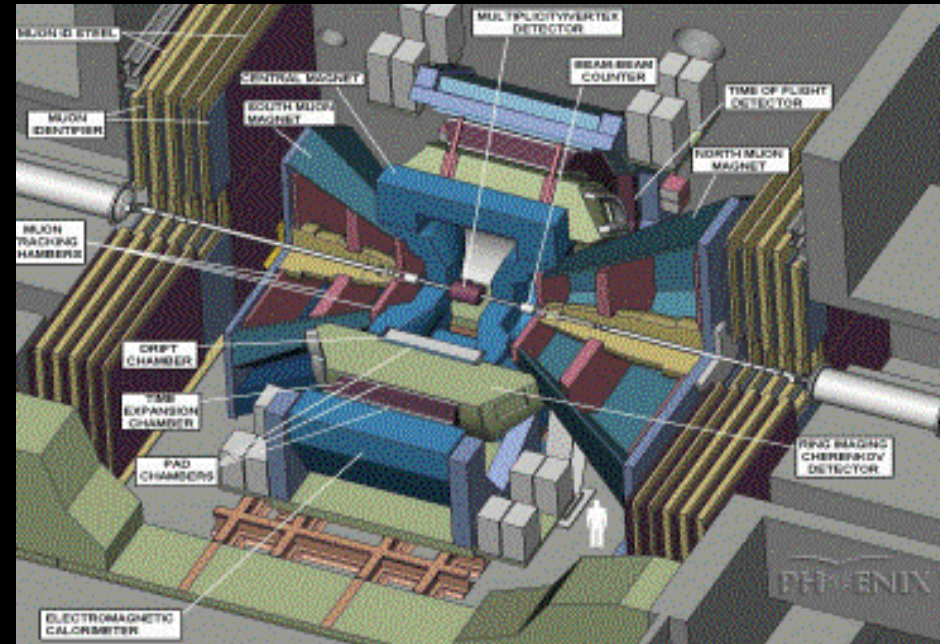
## PHENIX

Axial Field

High Resolution & Rates

2 Central Arms, 2 Forward Arms

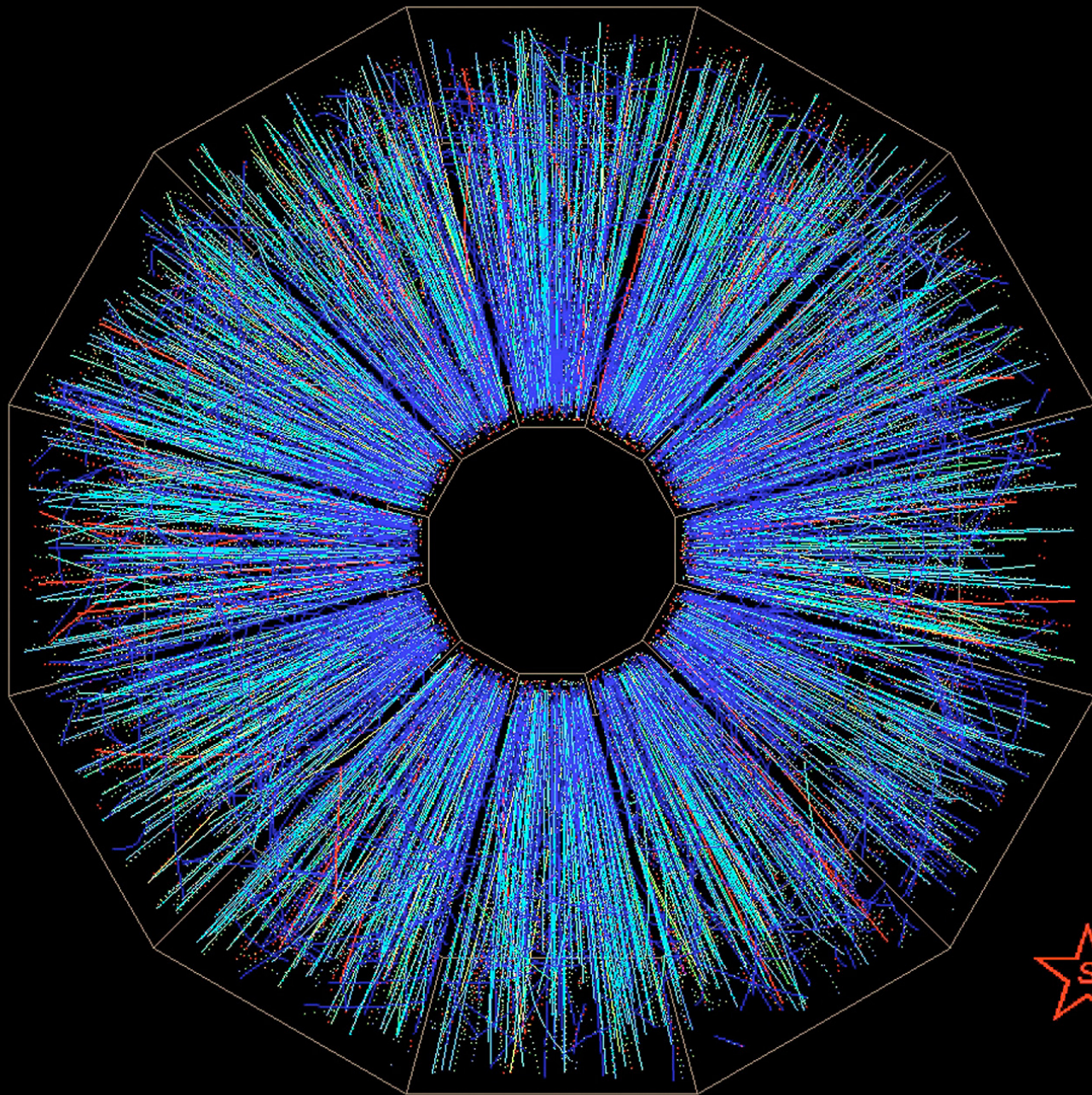
TEC, RICH, EM Cal, Si, TOF,  $\mu$ -ID



- Leptons, Photons, & Hadrons
- Simultaneous Detection of Various Transition Phenomena



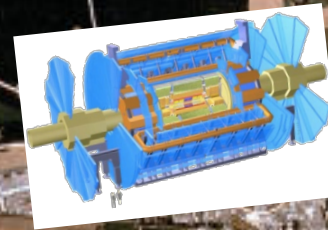
# Head-on Collision





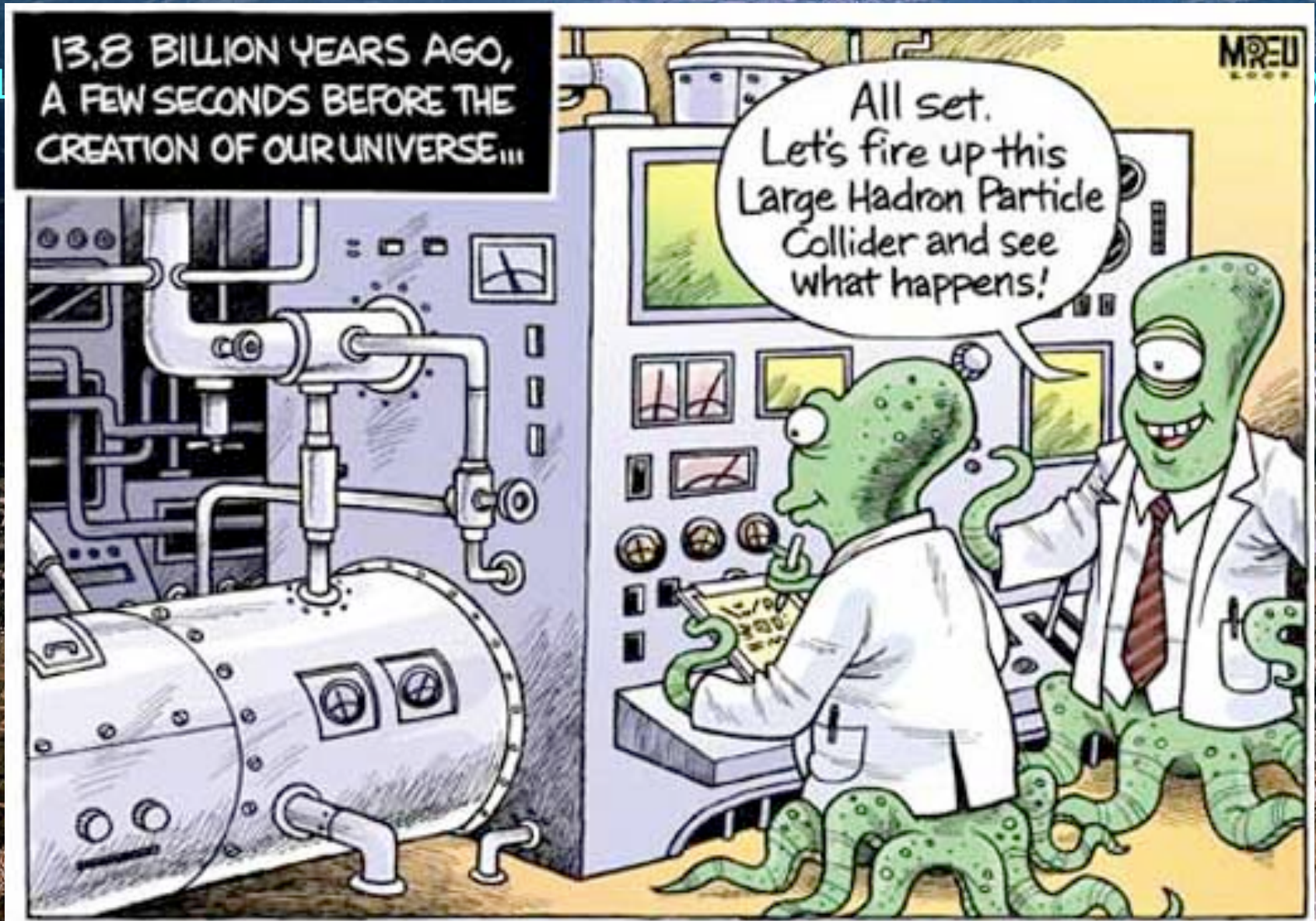
# The Large Hadron Collider (LHC)

Lead nuclei each with 207 protons + neutrons are accelerated.  
Lead nuclei collide at  $0.999995 \times$  speed of light (2760 GeV/nucleon pair).





# The Large Hadron Collider (LHC)



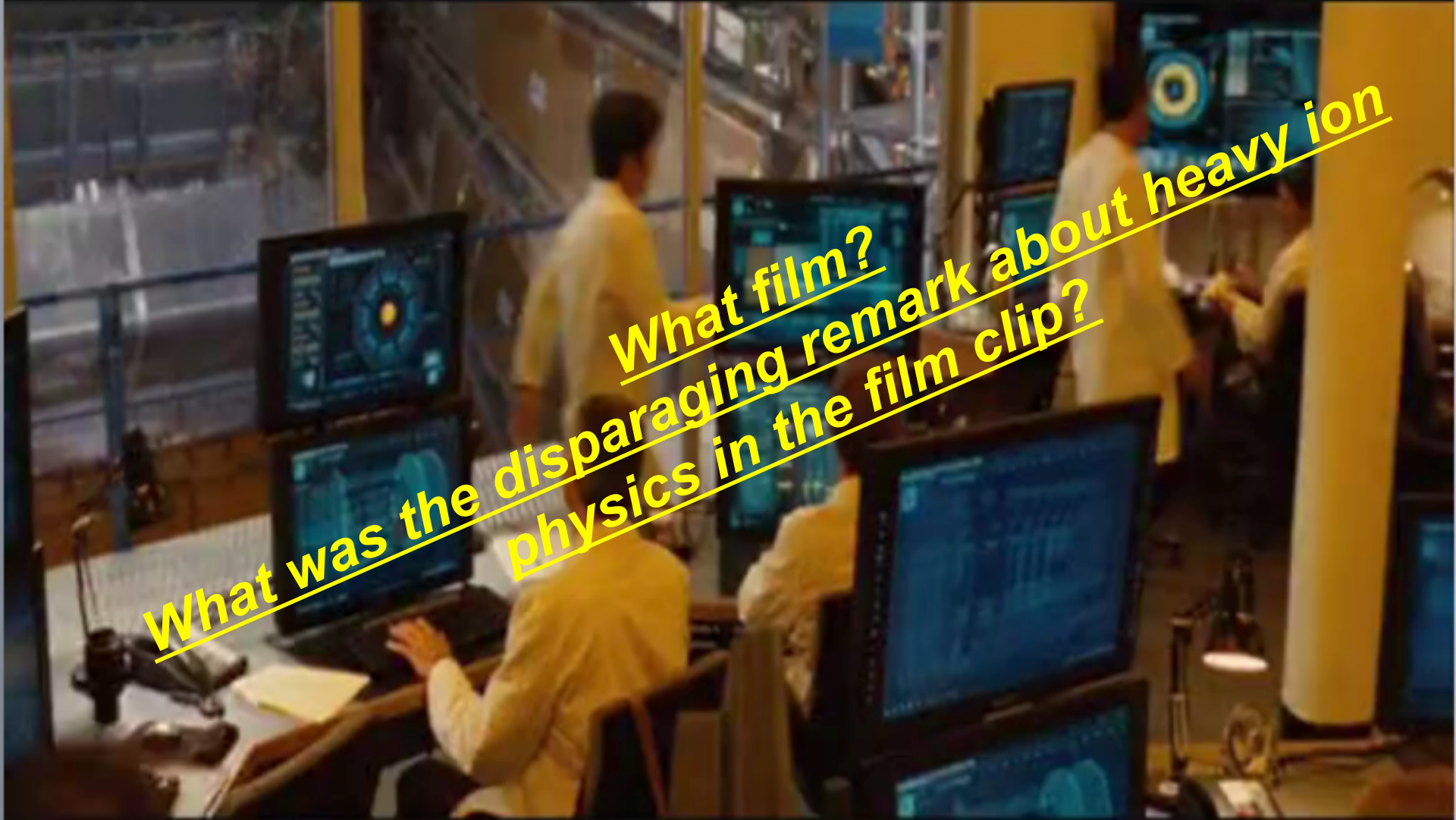


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*from the Control Room*

# *The Large Hadron Collider (LHC)*



*What film?  
What was the disparaging remark about heavy ion  
physics in the film clip?*

***from the Control Room***



# Scientists create hottest substance on Earth

Stuart Gary for ABC Science Online  
Posted Tue Jun 14, 2011 12:37pm AEST

**Scientists using the world's largest atom smasher have made some of the hottest and densest matter ever achieved on Earth.**

The state of matter called a quark gluon plasma existed in the milliseconds after the big bang 13.7 billion years ago.

Physicists using the Large Hadron Collider (LHC) at CERN, the European Centre for Nuclear Research, smashed heavy lead ions together at close to the speed of light.

They generated temperatures of more than 1.6 trillion degrees Celsius, 100,000 times hotter than the centre of the Sun.

In the process they recreated the densest material ever observed - only black holes are denser.

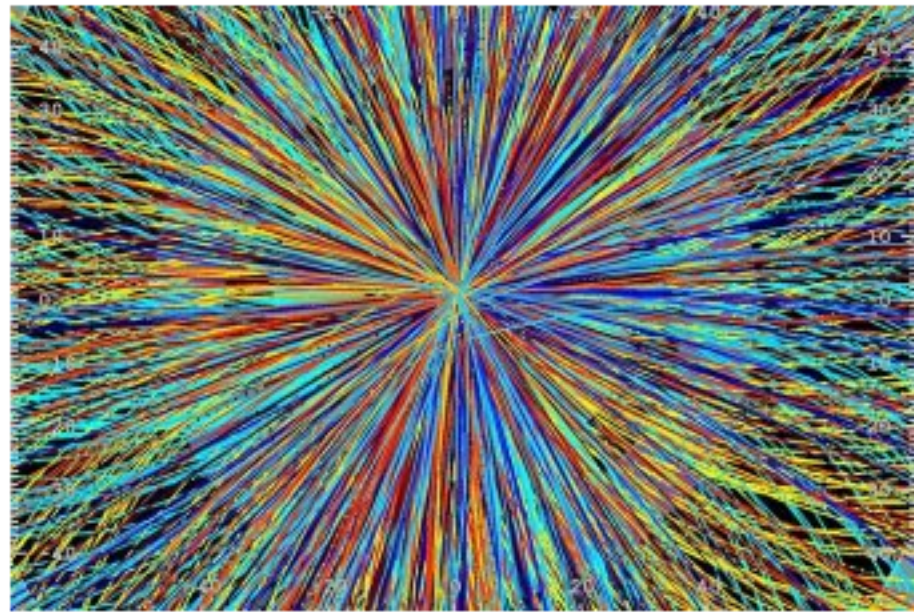
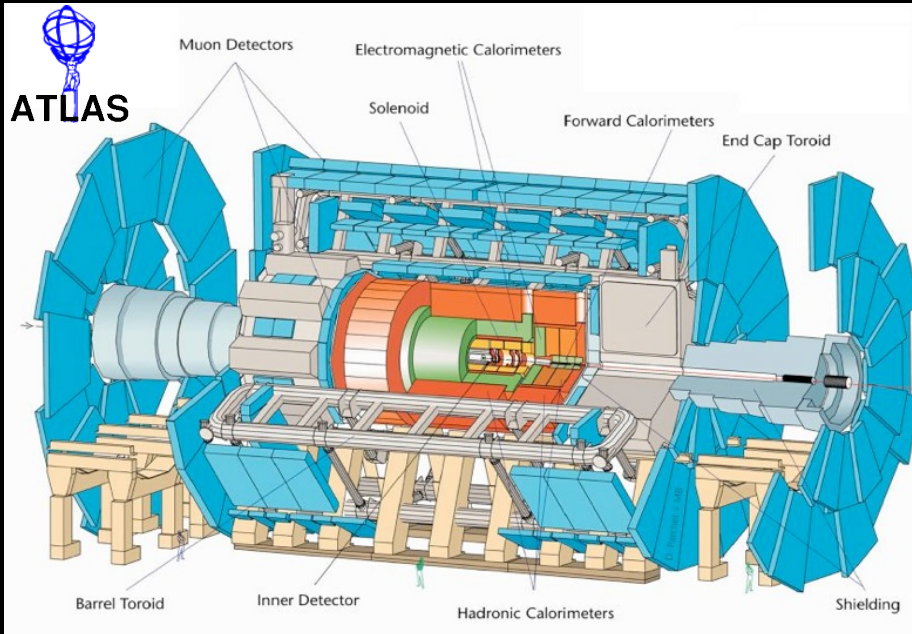


PHOTO: Events recorded by the ALICE experiment from the first lead ion collisions at a centre-of-mass energy of 2.76 TeV per nucleon pair.

MAP: Switzerland



# LHC Heavy Ion Program



## LHC Heavy Ion Data-taking

Design: Pb + Pb at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.5$  TeV  
(1 month per year)

2010-11: Pb + Pb at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$  TeV

2013 : p + Pb,  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$  TeV

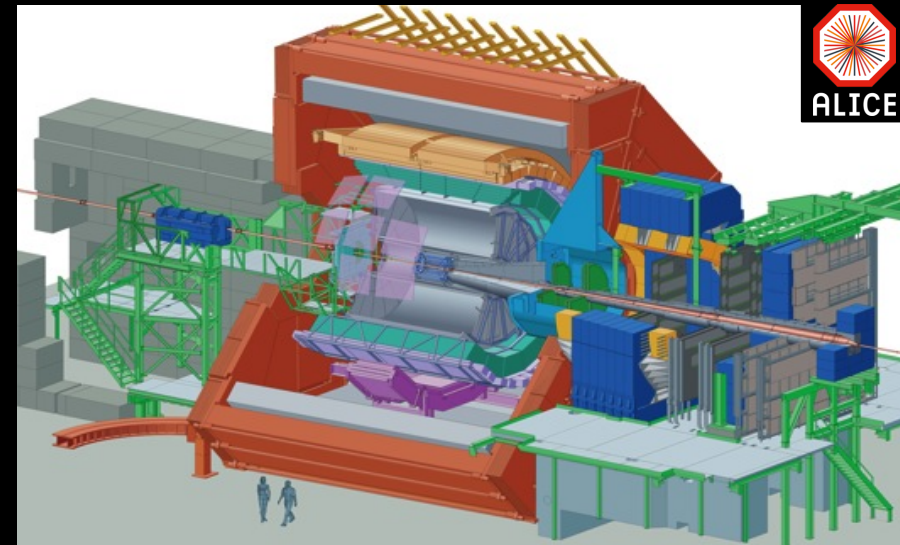
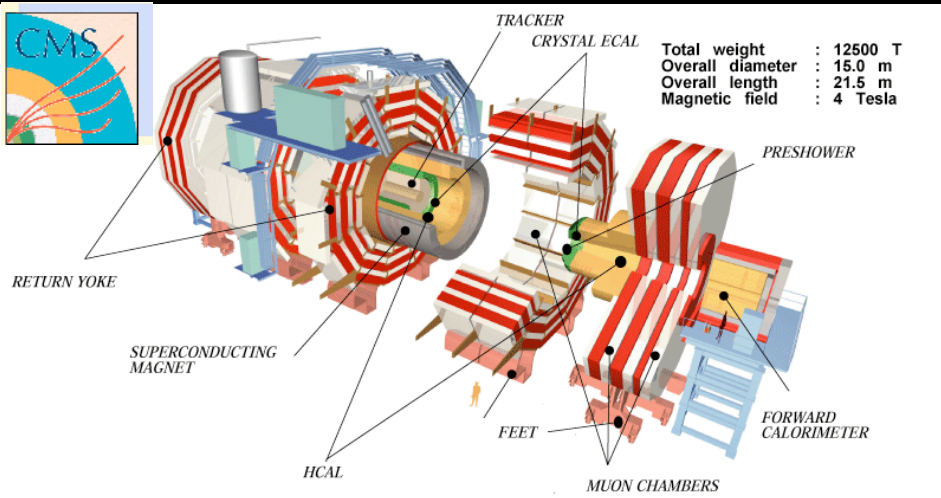
2015 : p + p, Pb + Pb,  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$  TeV

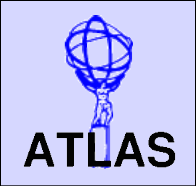
## LHC Collider Detectors for HI's

ATLAS

CMS

ALICE





# ATLAS Heavy Ion Program

## Overview:

### ATLAS has a broad heavy ion physics program

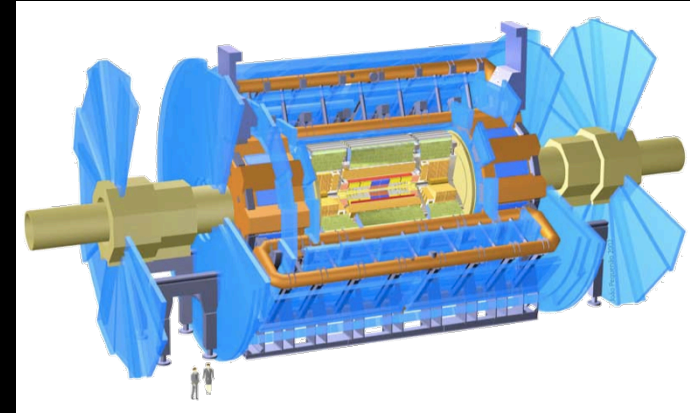
- soft physics, correlations
- excels at jet and photon measurements

### Jets

- reconstruct jets in a large kinematical range  
 $E_T > 40 \text{ GeV}$  and  $|\eta| < 5$
- perform key fragmentation measurements
- jet shape and FF modifications
- multi-jet studies

### Photons

- isolate / measure photons in large range,  $E_T > 10 \text{ GeV}$  and  $|\eta| < 2.5$
- unique calorimeter design allows additional rejection beyond isolation





# CMS Heavy Ion Program

## Overview:

**CMS has a broad heavy ion physics program**

- precision tracking  $|\eta| < 2.5$
- muon identification  $|\eta| < 2.5$
- high-res calorimetry  $|\eta| < 5$
- forward coverage

**CMS excels at**

- jets and di-jets
- photon-tagged jet measurements  
(FF modifications)
- quarkonium measurements



# ALICE – Heavy Ion Experiment



ALICE

## Overview:

### Soft Probes – “ala RHIC”

- Expansion dynamics different from RHIC
- Soft physics measurements ala RHIC  
+ extended PID
- Day 1 physics +

### Hard Probes – Jet Quenching

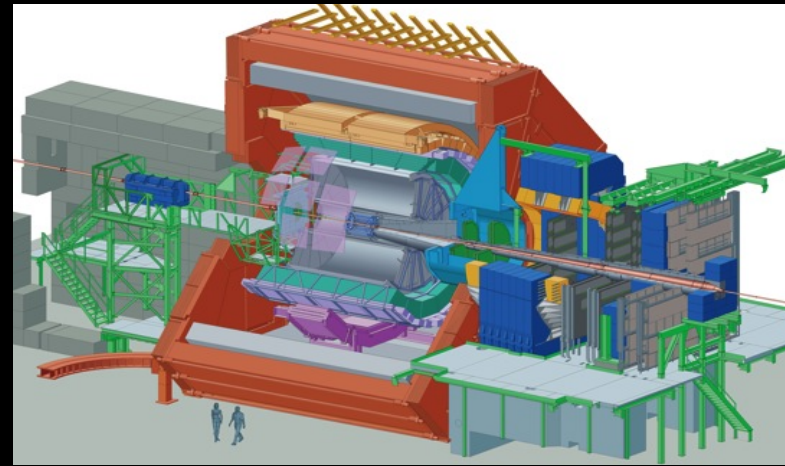
- Jets,  $\gamma$ , pi-zeros, leading particles to large  $p_T$

### Hard Probes – Heavy Quarks

- Displaced vertices ( $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$ ) from TPC/ITS
- Electrons in Transition Radiation Detector (TRD)

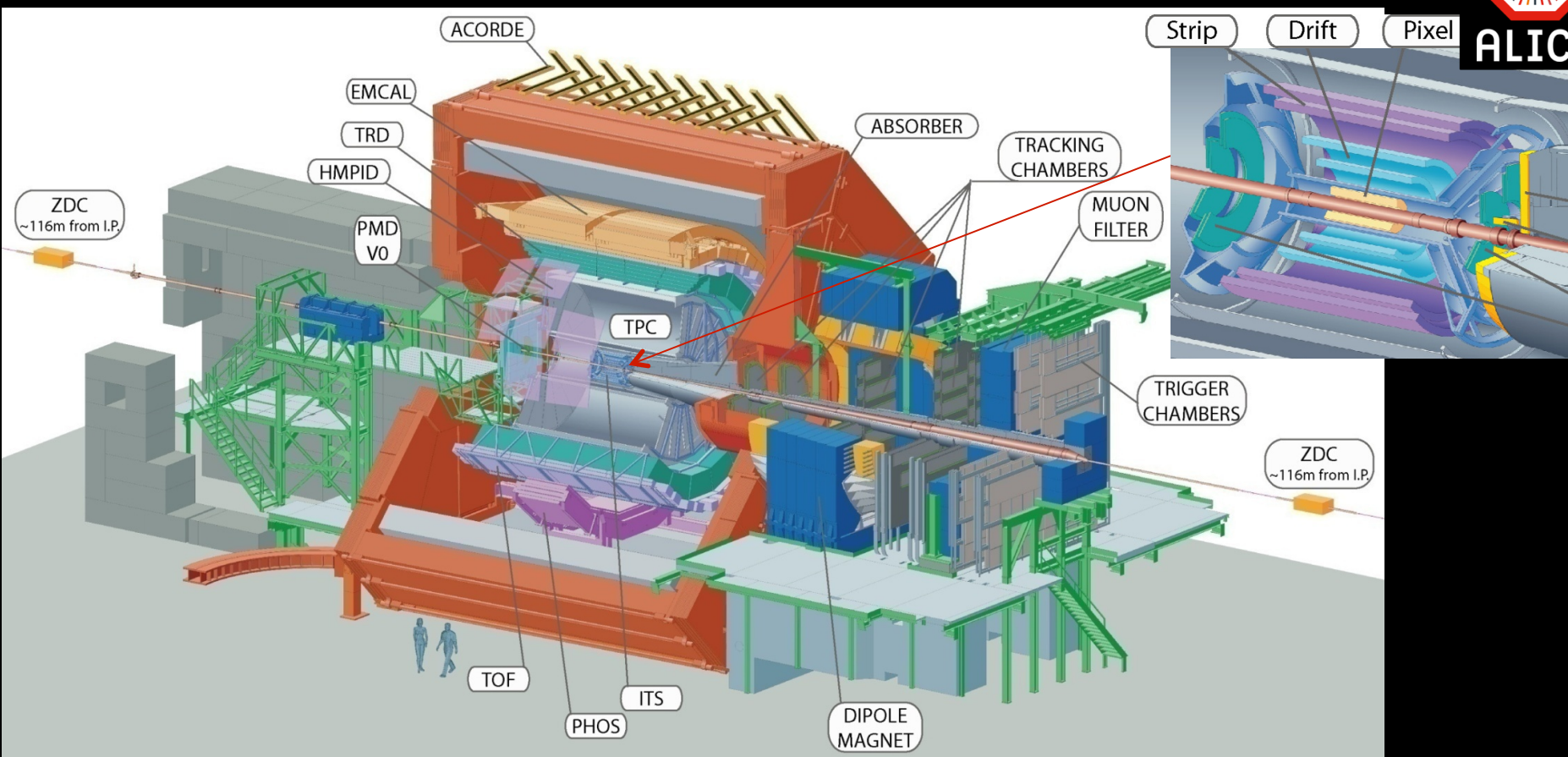
### Hard Probes – Quarkonia

- $J/\psi$ ,  $\Upsilon$ ,  $\Upsilon'$  (excellent),  $\Upsilon''$  (2-3 yrs),  $\psi'$  ???





# The ALICE Heavy Ion Experiment



- Fully Installed & Commissioned – Hadron &  $\mu$  Capabilities

ITS, TPC, TOF, HMPID, MUONS, V0, T0, ZDC, ACORDE, TRIGGER, HLT

- EM (e and  $\gamma$ ) Partial Capabilities

TRD (50%, 100% in 2015), PHOS, EMCAL, DCal (new in 2015)

# ALICE Detectors & Acceptance



ALICE

## central barrel $-0.9 < \eta < 0.9$

- $\Delta\phi = 2\pi$  tracking, PID (TPC/ITS/ToF)
- single arm RICH (HMPID)
- single arm e.m. cal (PHOS)
- electron id (TRD)
- EM calorimeter arms (EMCal + DCal)

## forward muon arm $-4 < \eta < -2.4$

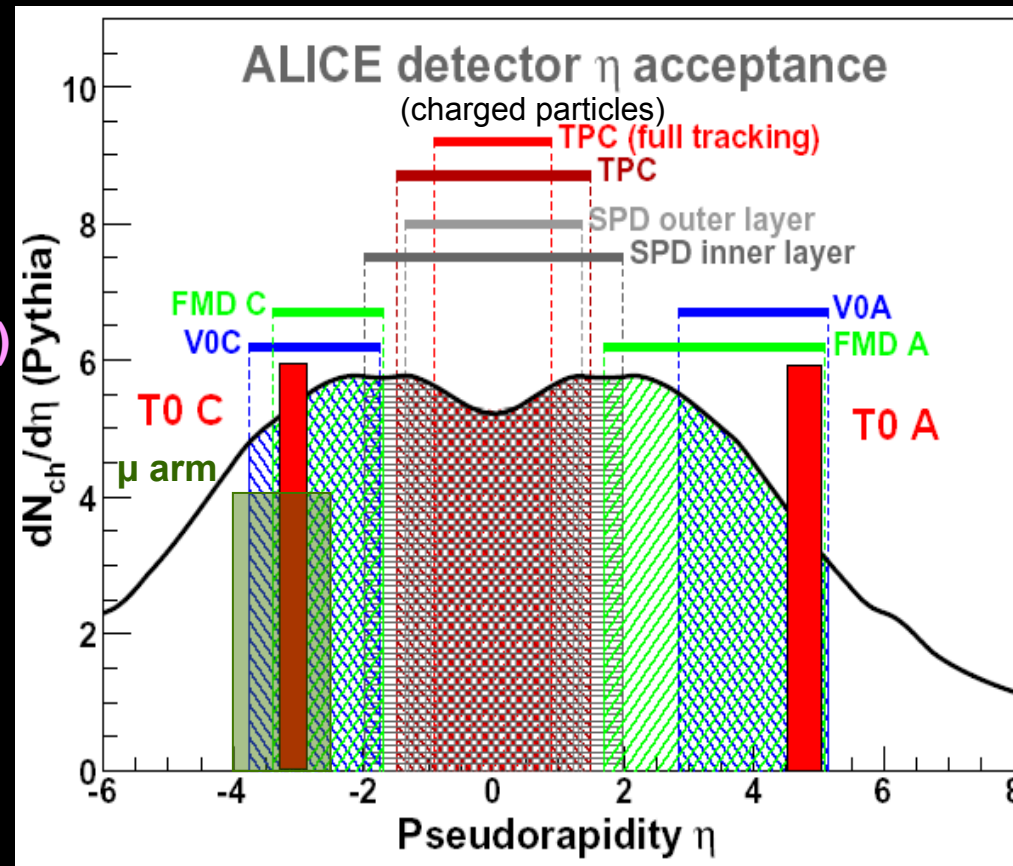
- absorber, 3 T-m dipole magnet
- 10 tracking + 4 trigger chambers

## multiplicity detectors $-5.4 < \eta < 3$

- including photon counting in PMD

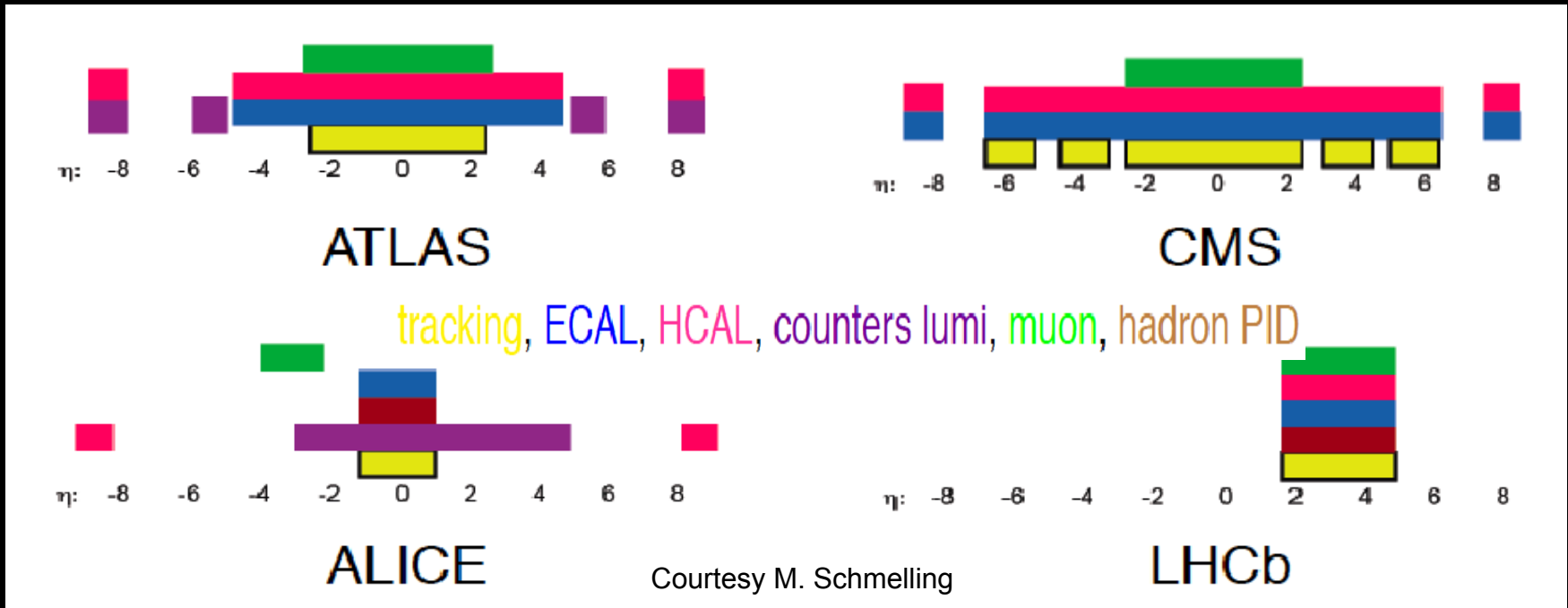
## trigger & timing detectors

- 6 Zero Degree Calorimeters
- T0: ring of quartz window PMT's
- V0: ring of scint. Paddles



$$\eta = -1/2 \ln(\tan \theta/2)$$

# Angular Acceptance of LHC Experiments






## Complementary measurements

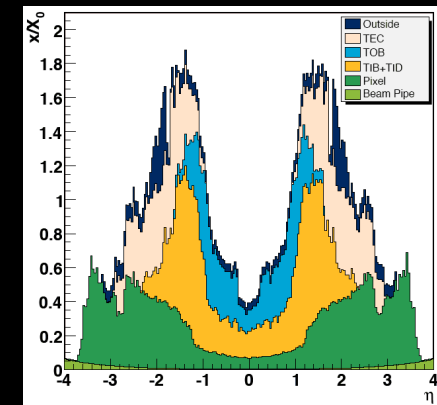
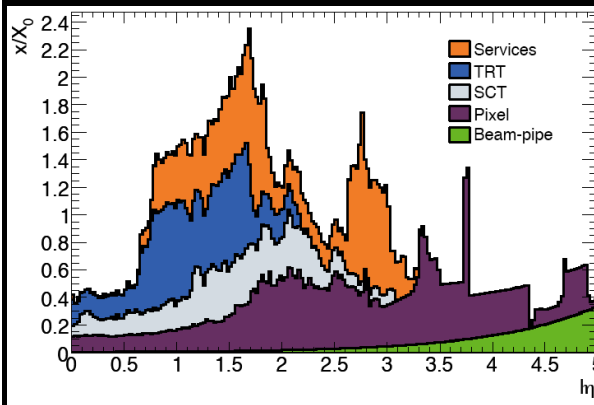
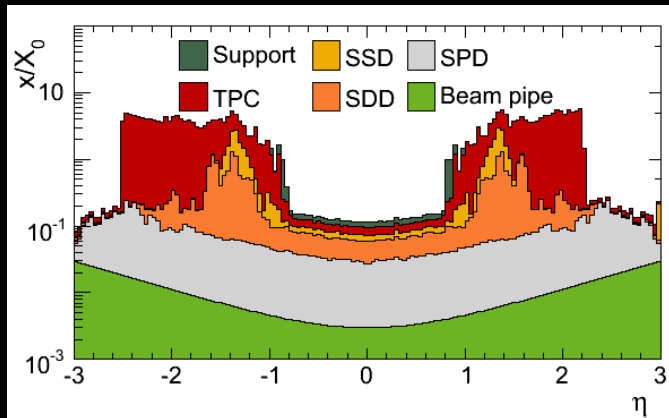
- **ATLAS, CMS:** Large acceptance for charged hadrons, leptons and neutral energy
- Hadron PID **ALICE**  $|\eta| < 1$  and LHCb  $2 < \eta < 5$
- **ALICE/LHCb:** Full tracking down to very low  $p_T$  (100 MeV)
- **ATLAS, CMS** also reach low  $p_T$  with vertex detectors
- **ALICE:** FAST-OR Pixel multiplicity trigger



# Material Budget of LHC Experiments

## Cumulative mid-rapidity material budget for ALICE, ATLAS and CMS

|  ALICE | $x/X_0$ (%) |  ATLAS | $x/X_0$ (%) |  CMS | $x/X_0$ (%) |
|--|-------------|---|-------------|---|-------------|
| Beam pipe  | 0.26        | Beam pipe   | 0.45        | Beam pipe   | 0.23        |
| Pixels (7.6 cm)  | 2.73        | Pixels (12 cm)  | 4.45        | Pixels (10.2 cm)  | 7.23        |
| ITS (50 cm)  | 7.43        | SCT (52 cm)   | 14.45       | TIB (50 cm)   | 22.23       |
| TPC (2.6 m)  | 13          | TRT (1.07 m)  | 32.45       | TOB (1.1 m)   | 35.23       |



⇒ Reconstruction and identification at low  $p_T$  due to low material budget

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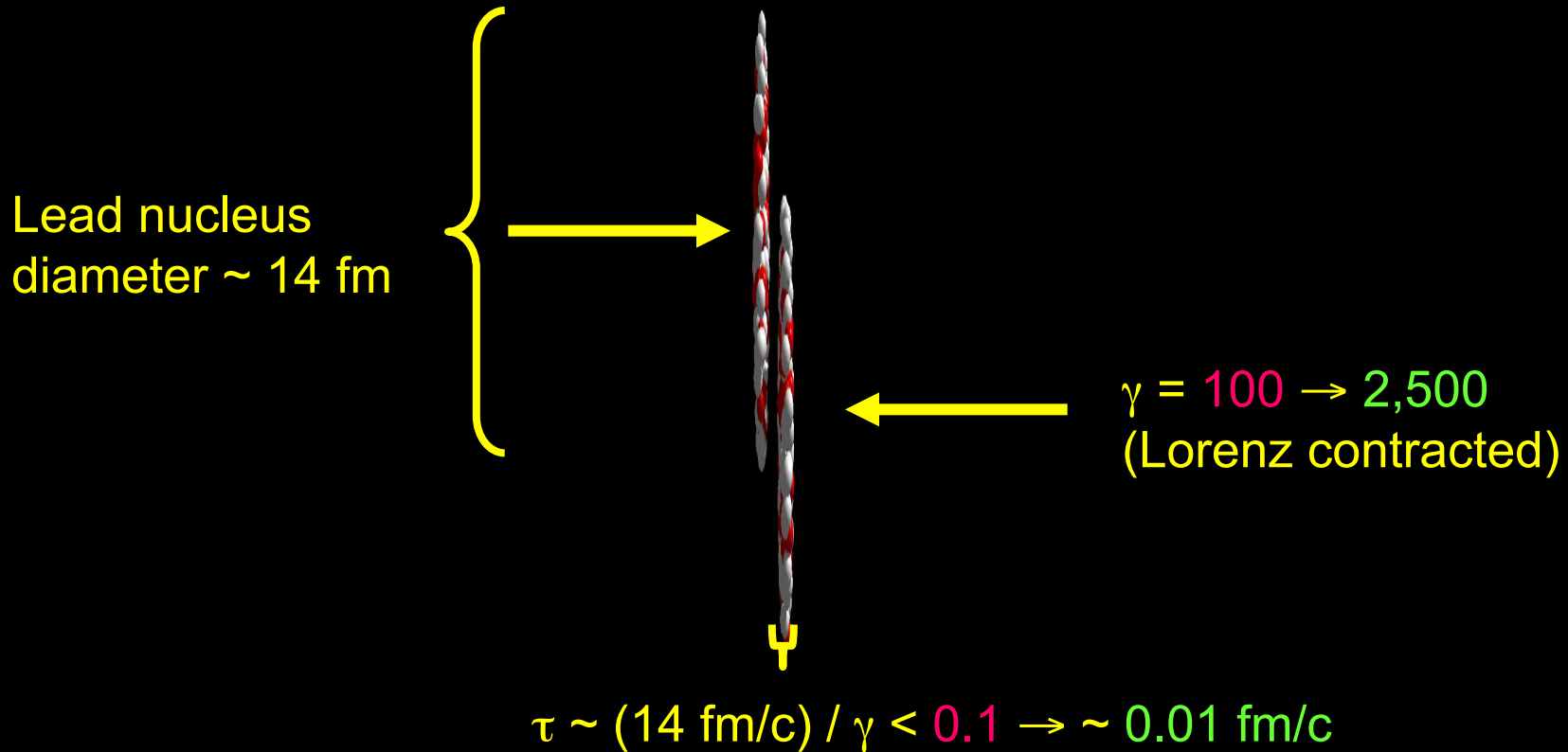
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# Heavy Ion Collisions at RHIC & LHC



## General Orientation

Hadron masses  $\sim 1$  GeV

Hadron sizes  $\sim$  fm

## Heavy Ion Collisions

RHIC:  $E_{\text{cm}} = 0.2$  TeV per nn-pair

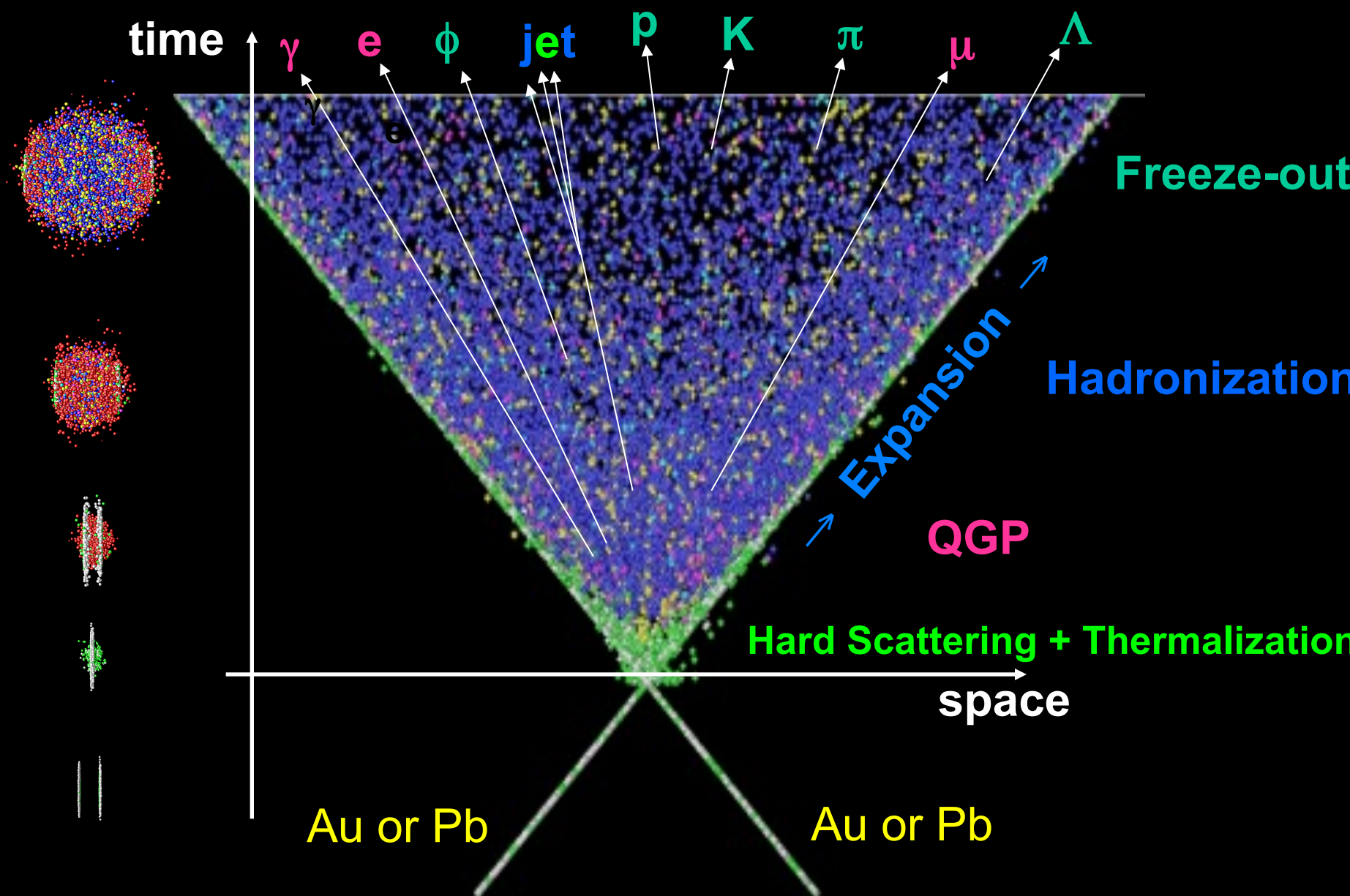
LHC:  $E_{\text{cm}} = 5.0$  TeV per nn-pair

# How do Heavy Ion Collisions Evolve? – Side View at RHIC





# Space-time Evolution of HI Collisions



# Definitions

- Relativistic treatment

Energy

$$E^2 = p^2 + m^2$$

or

$$E = T + m$$

or

$$E = \gamma m$$

where,

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \beta^2}}$$

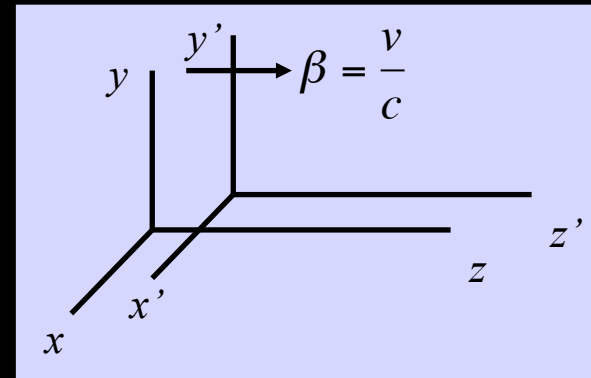
and

$$\beta = \frac{v}{c} = \frac{p}{E}$$

- Lorentz transforms

$$E' = \gamma (E + \beta p_z)$$

$$p'_z = \gamma (p_z + \beta E)$$



- Longitudinal and transverse kinematics

$$p_L = p_z$$

$$p_T = \sqrt{p_x^2 + p_y^2}, \quad m_T = \sqrt{p_T^2 + m^2}$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left[ \frac{E + p_L}{E - p_L} \right]$$

$$y' = y + \tanh^{-1} \beta$$

Transverse mass

Rapidity

Pseudo-rapidity

Useful relations

$$\gamma = \cosh y$$

$$\beta = \tanh y$$

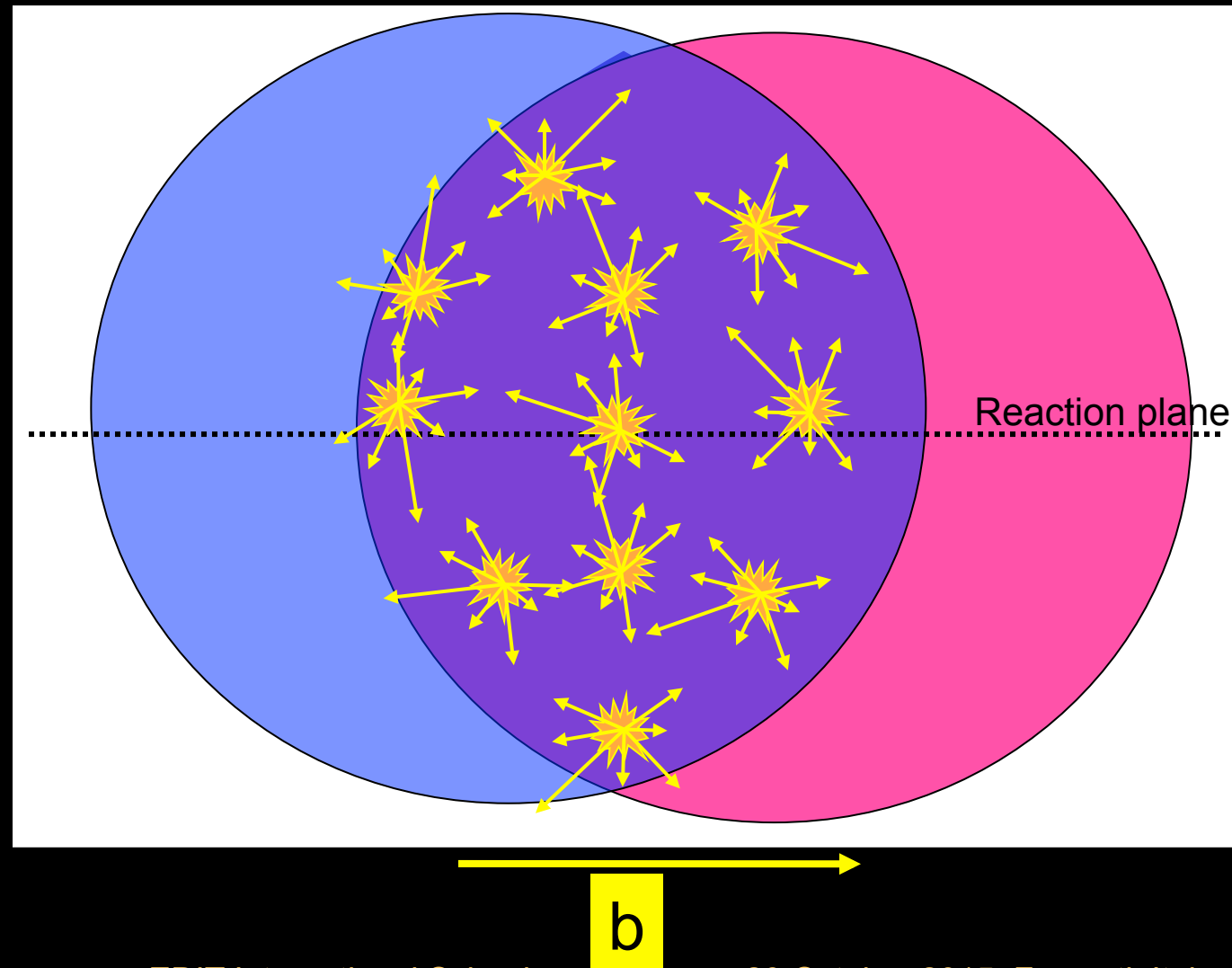
$$E = m_T \cosh y$$

$$p_L = m_T \sinh y$$

$$\eta = -\ln (\tan \theta/2)$$

# How do Heavy Ion Collisions Evolve? – Beam View

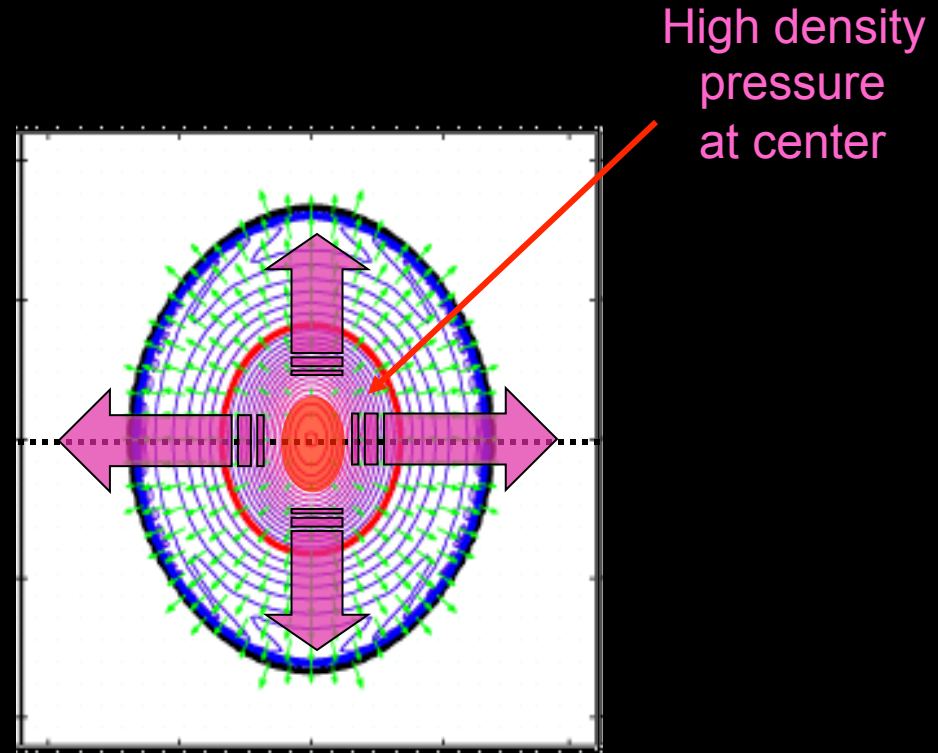
Question – What is the azimuthal angular distribution of independent nucleon-nucleon collisions?





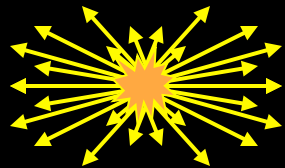
# How do Heavy Ion Collisions Evolve?

## 1) Superposition of independent p+p:



## 2) Evolution as a bulk system

Pressure gradients (larger in-plane)  
push bulk "out" → flow



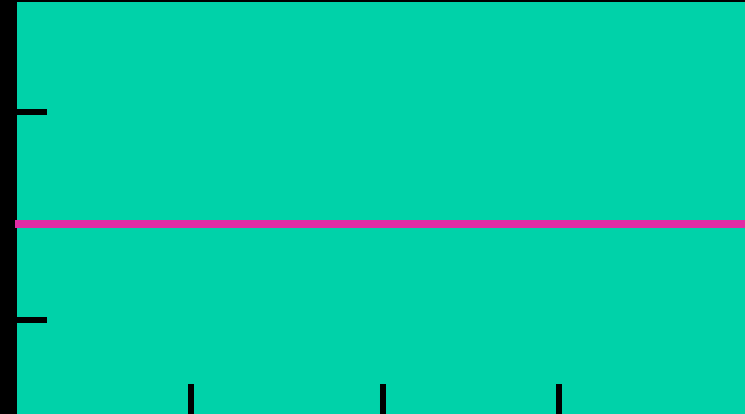
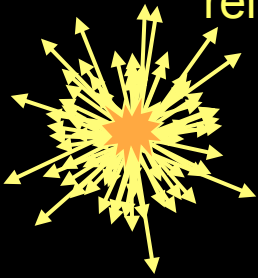
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"zero" pressure  
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# Azimuthal Angular Distributions

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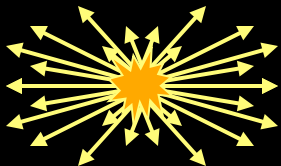
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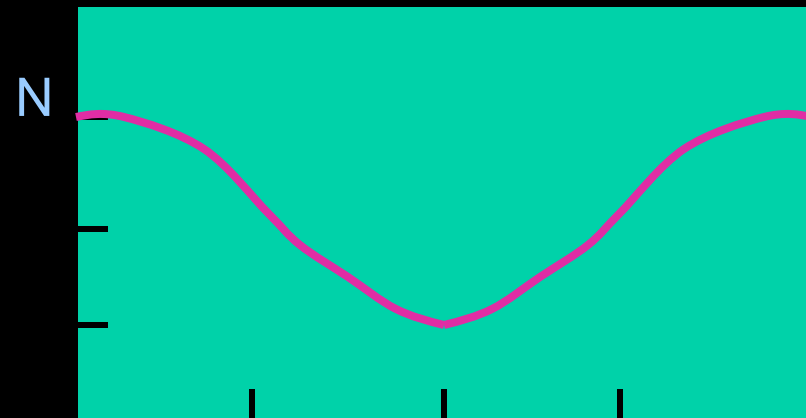
$\phi - \Psi_{RP}$  (rad)

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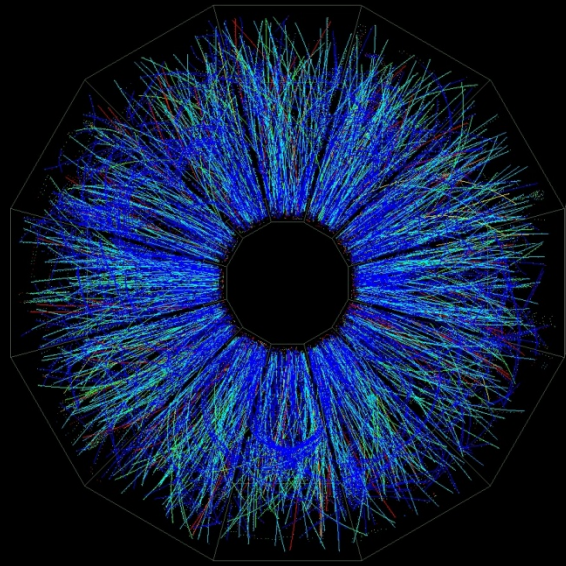
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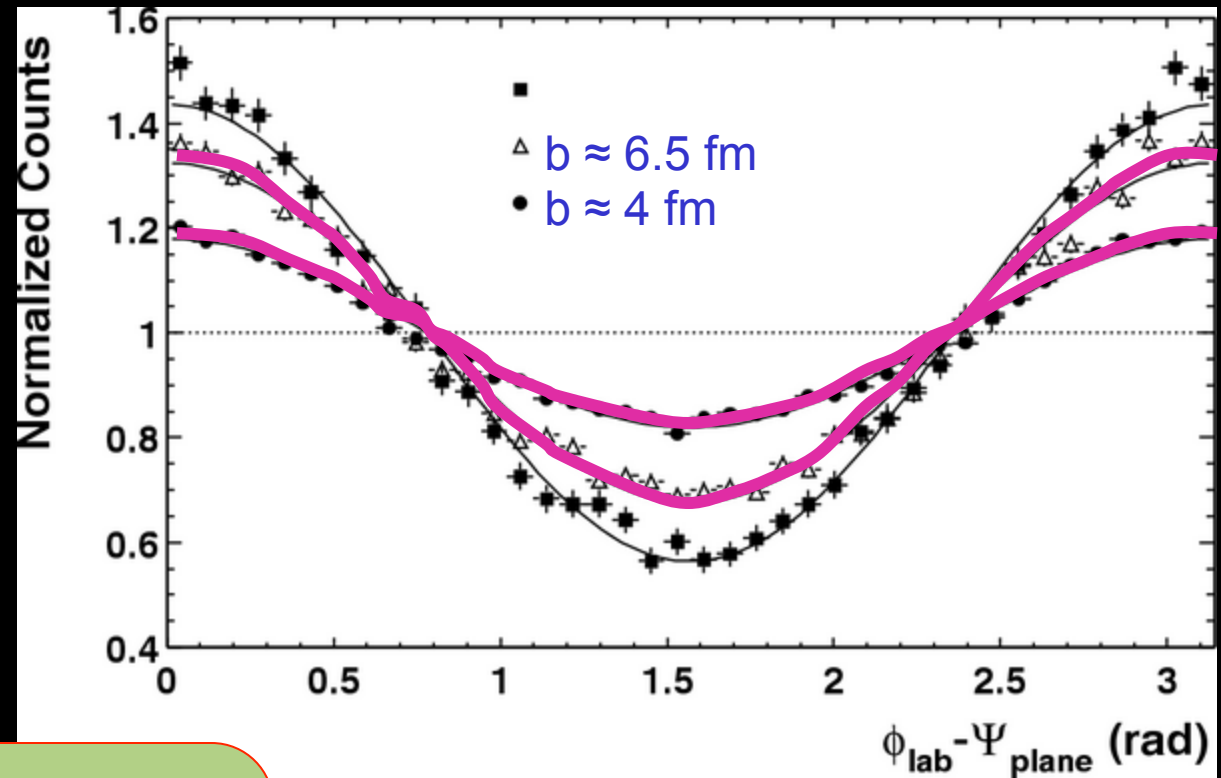


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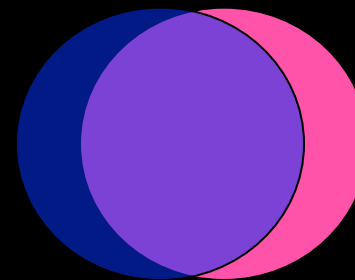
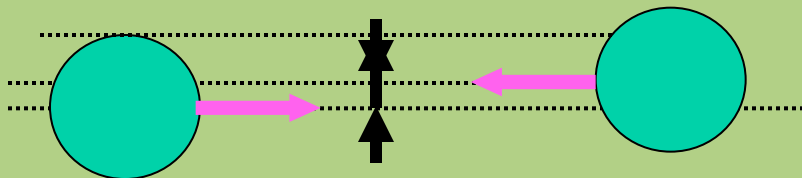


“central” collisions

STAR, PRL90 032301 (2003)

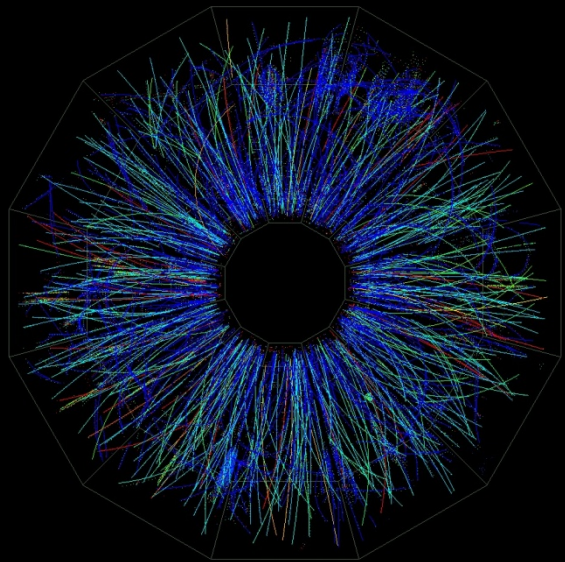


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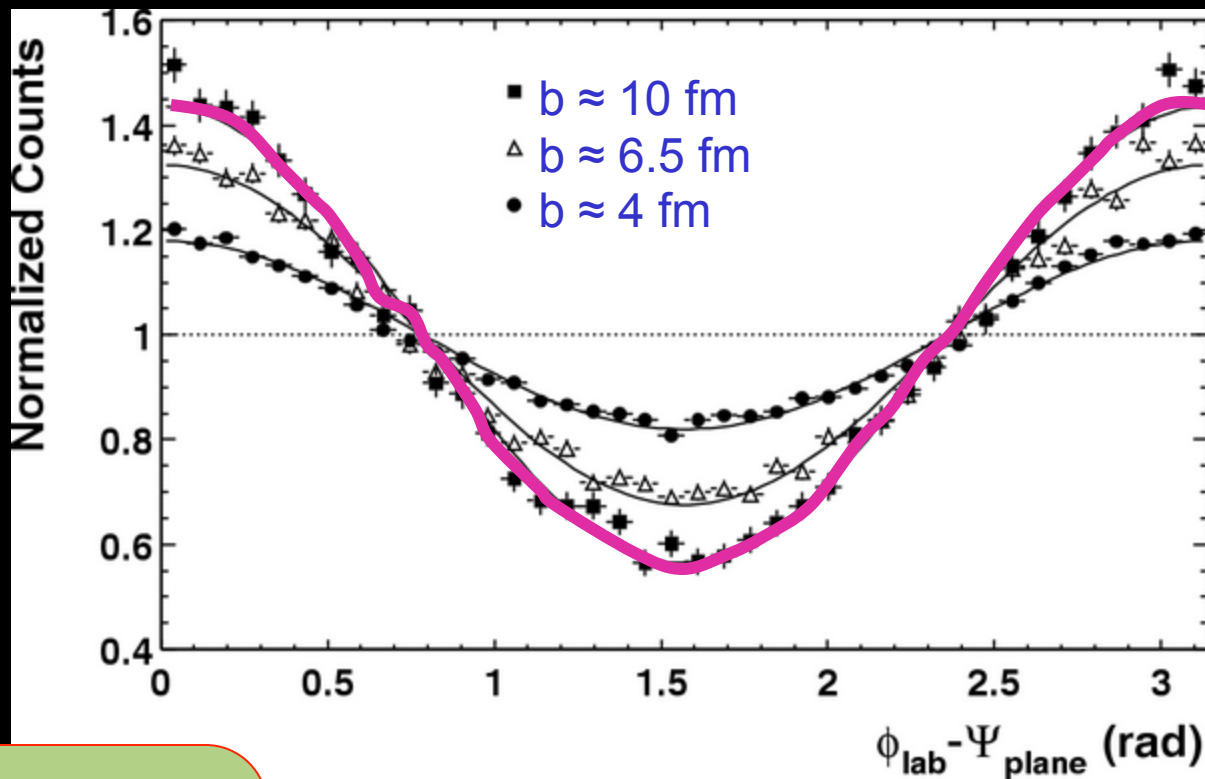
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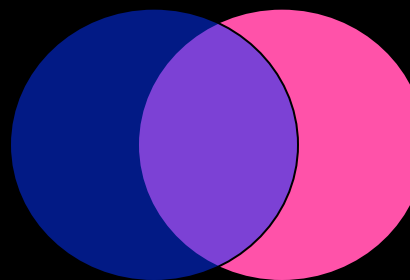
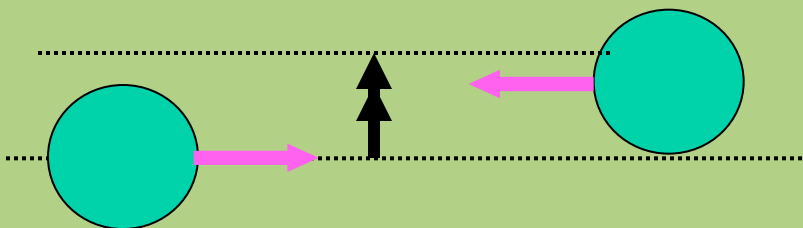


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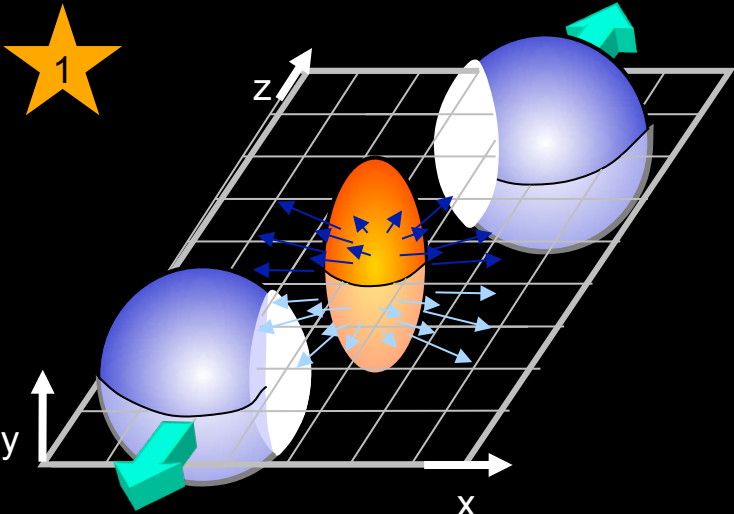
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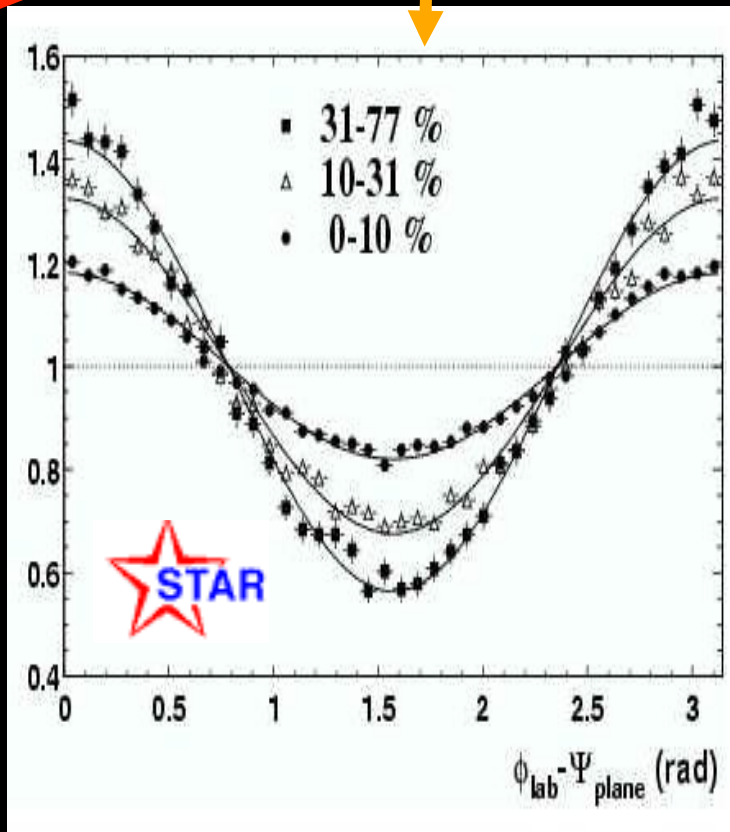
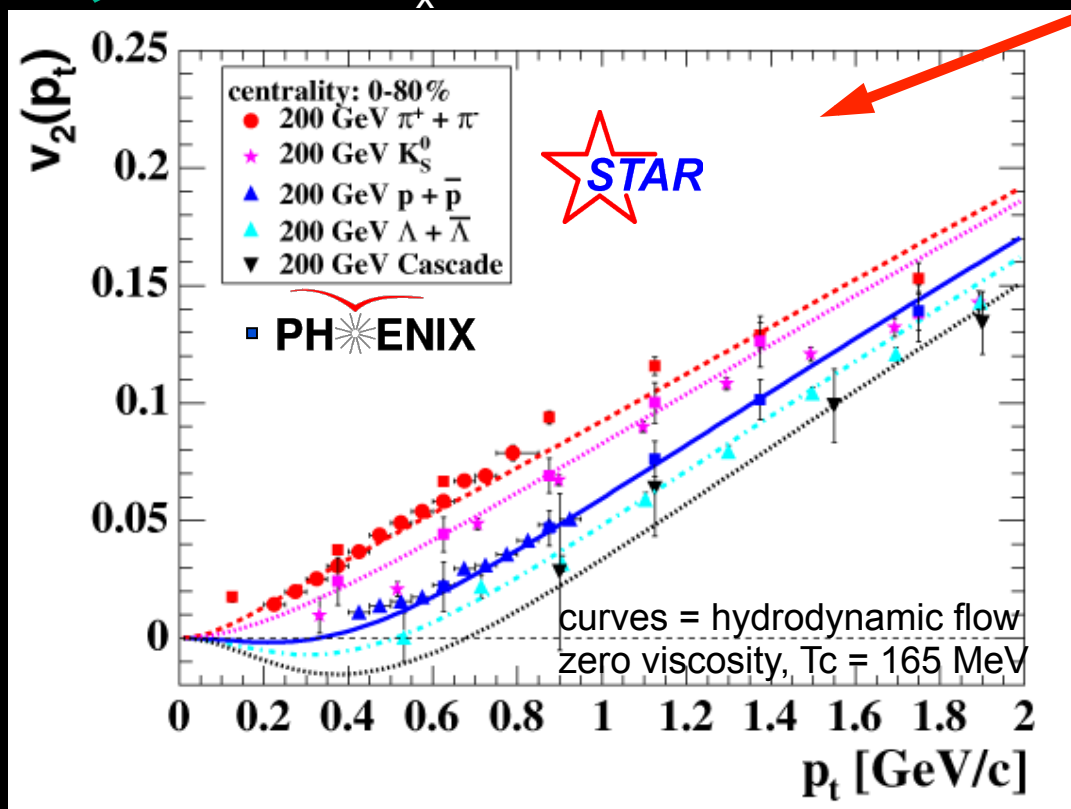
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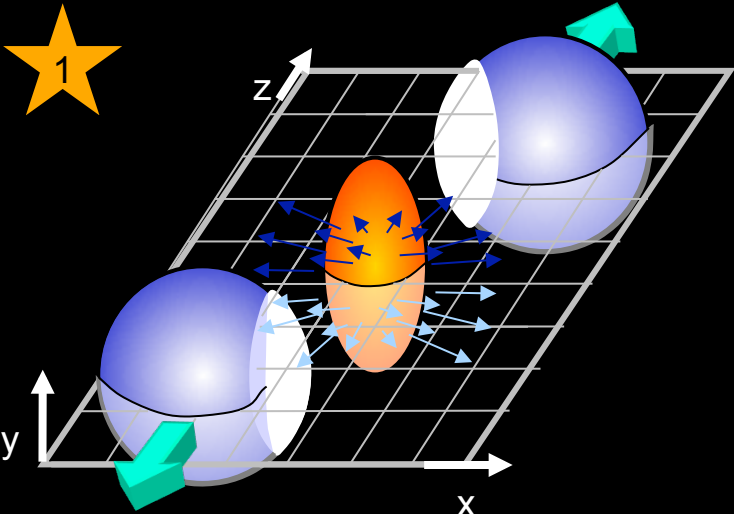
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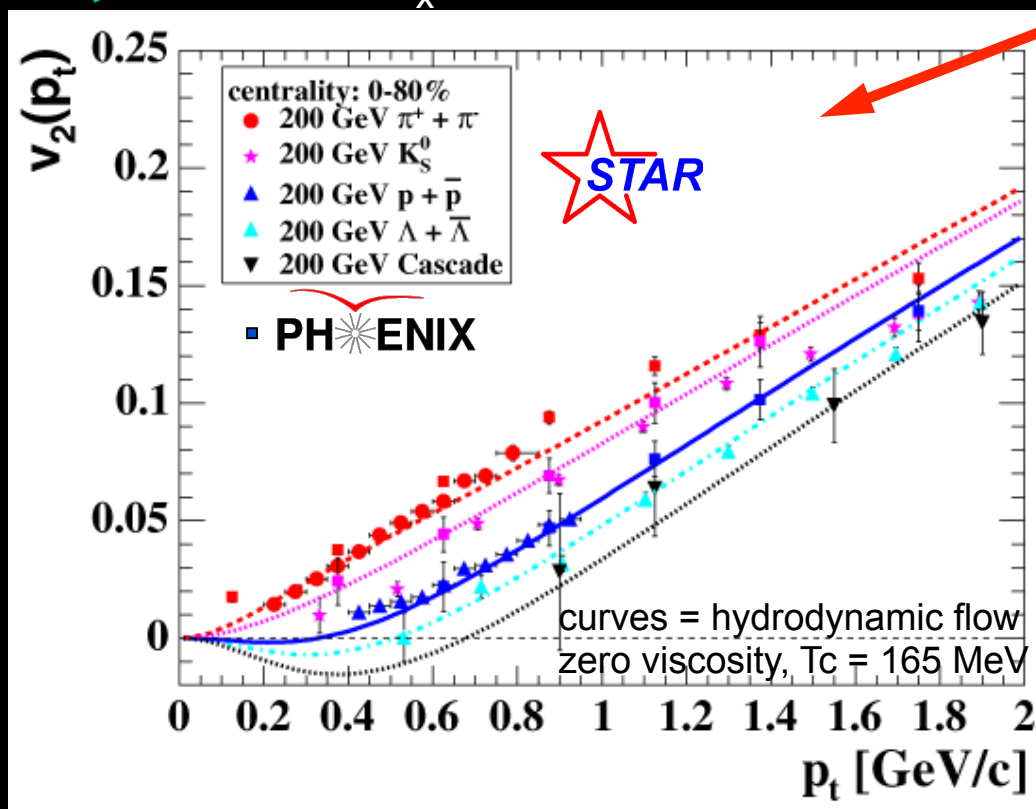




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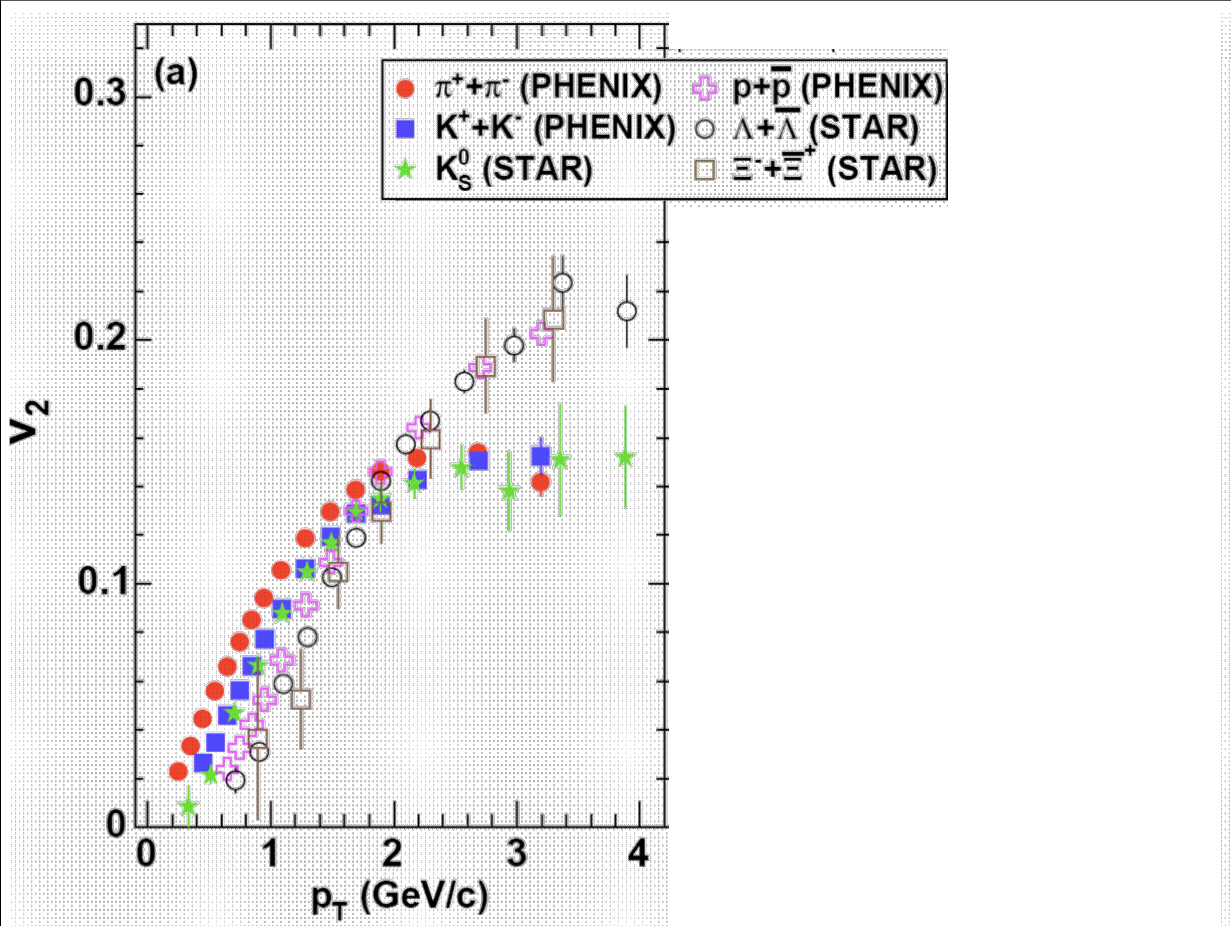
## Mass dependence of $v_2$

Requires -

- Early thermalization (0.6 fm/c)
- Ideal hydrodynamics (zero viscosity) → “nearly perfect fluid”
- $\epsilon \sim 25 \text{ GeV/fm}^3$  ( $\gg \epsilon_{\text{critical}}$ )
- Quark-Gluon Equ. of State

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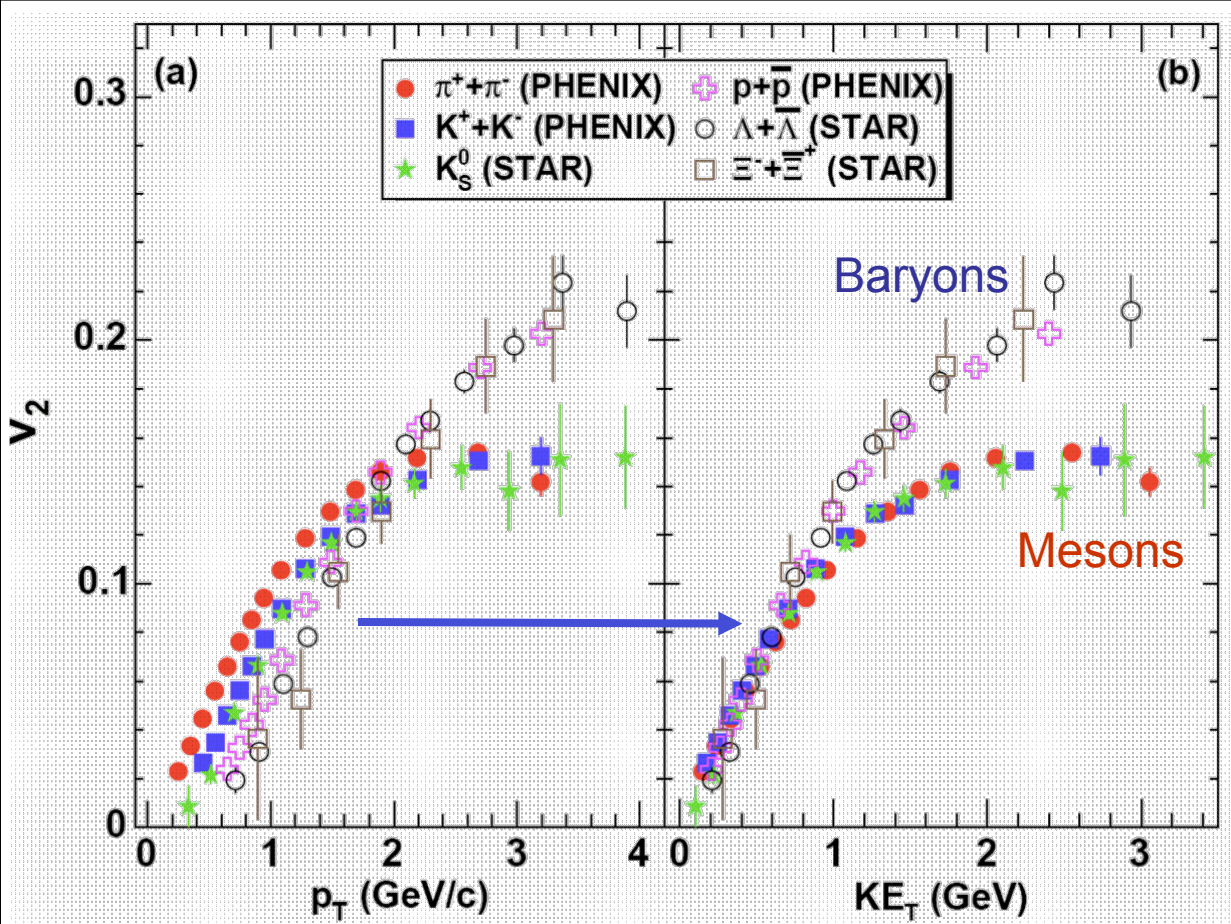


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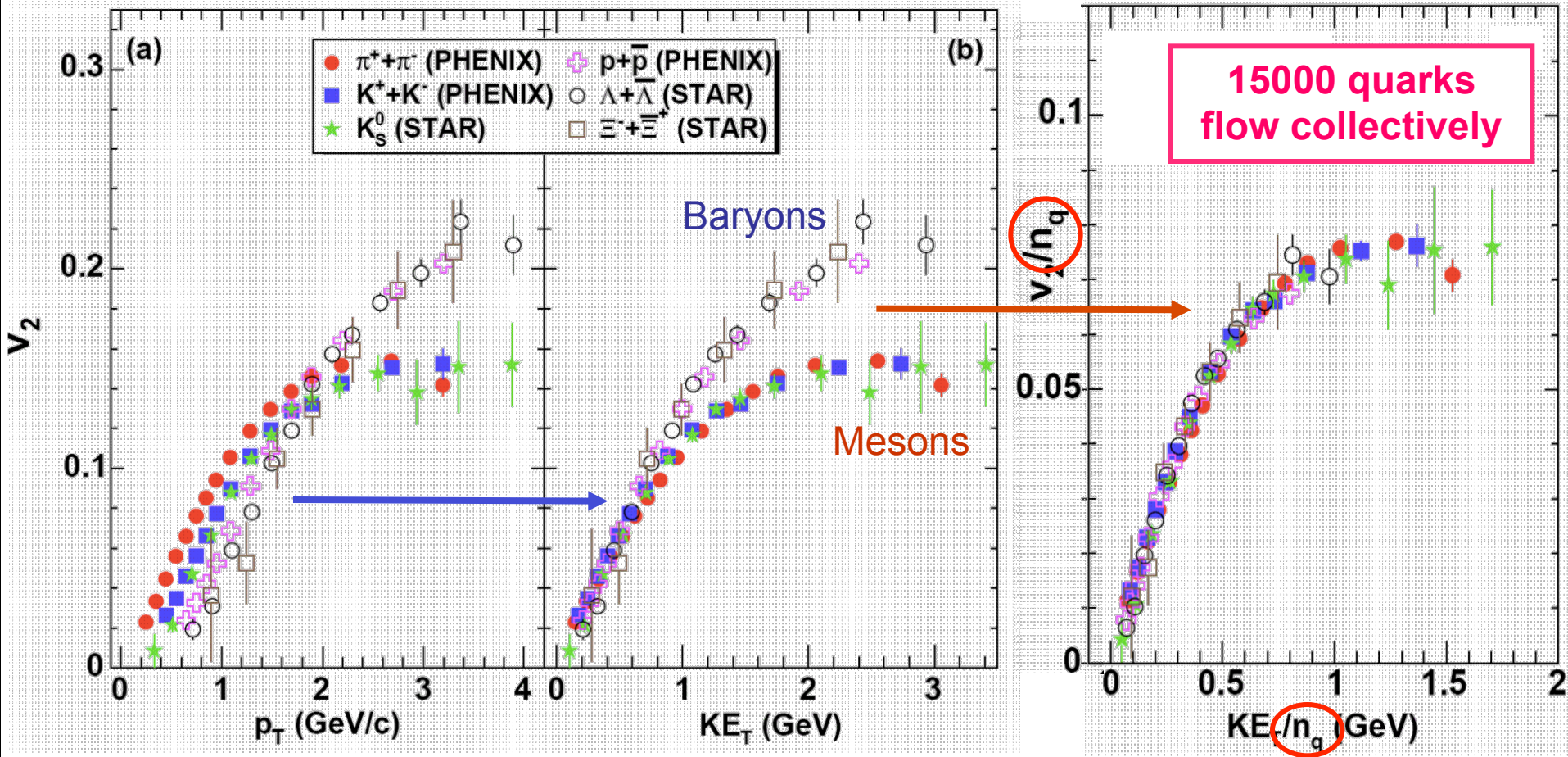
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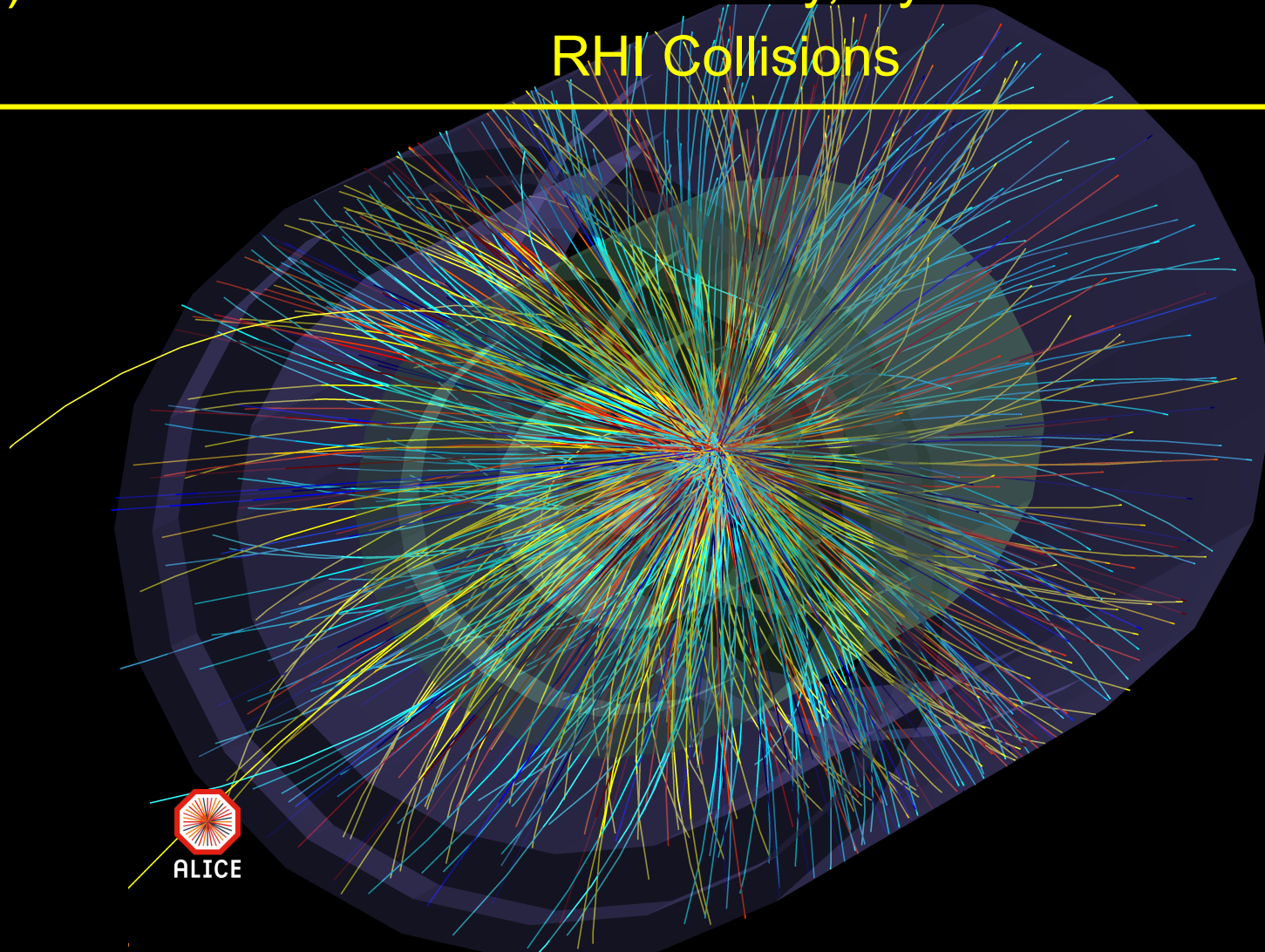
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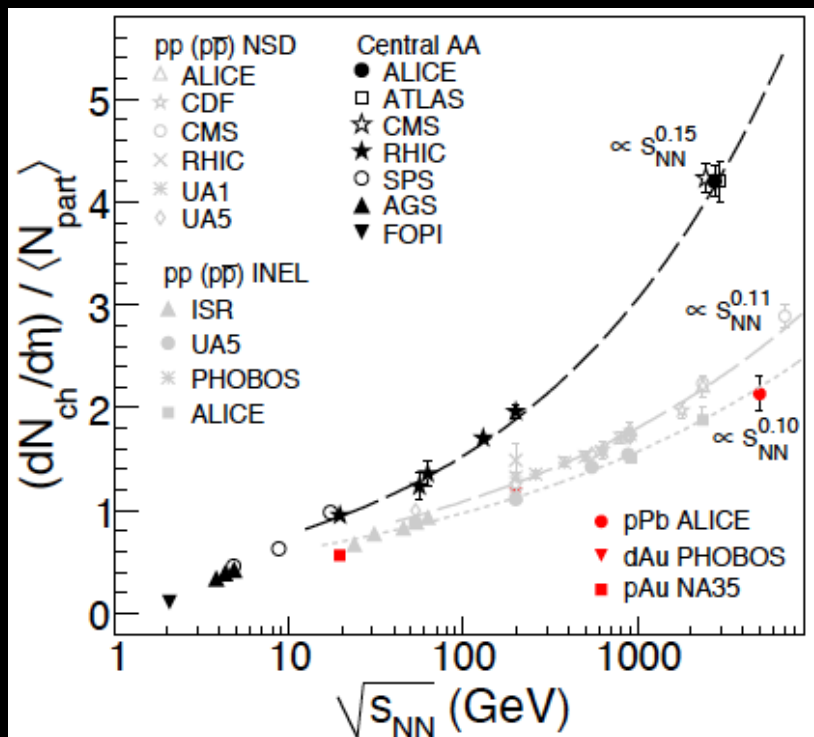
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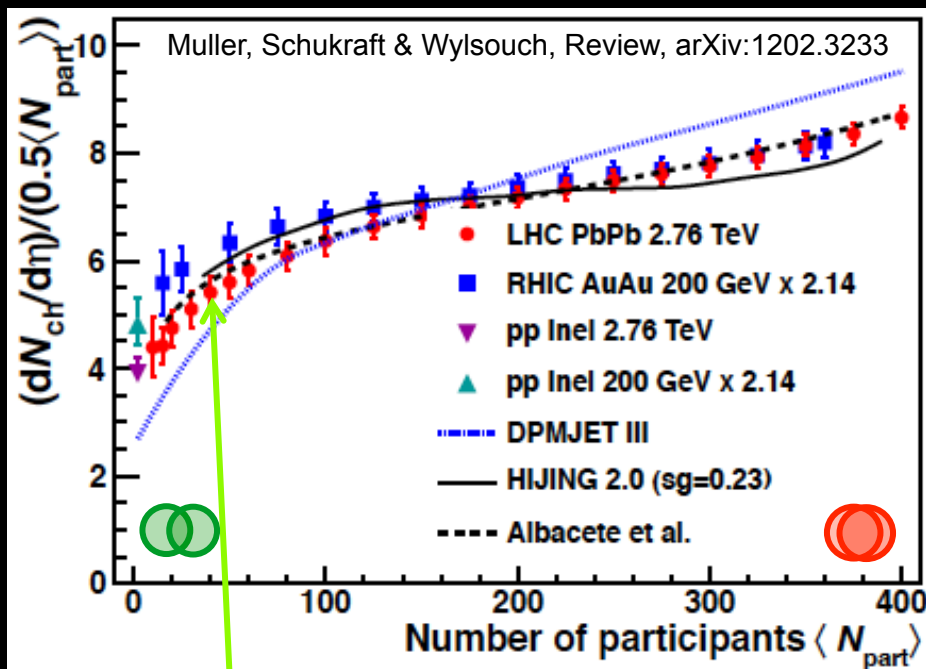


# Dynamics & Evolution of RHI Collisions

Multiplicities (per participant nucleon) from RHIC to LHC  
vs. C.M. energy



vs. # of participants



Initial state fluctuations? Degree of shadowing?

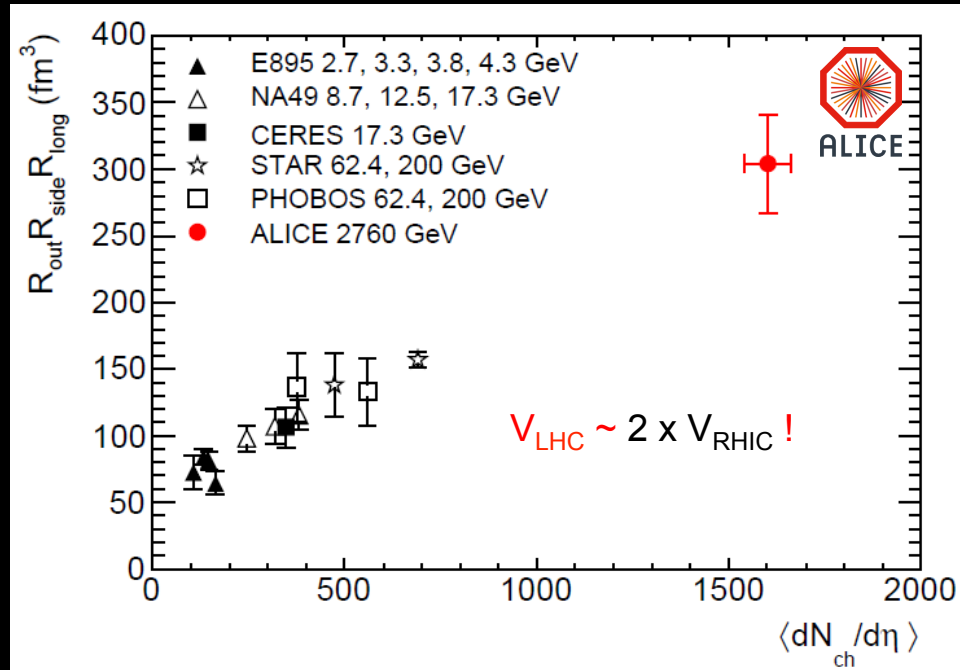
→ details in data from LHC p-Pb run?

Small differences due to initial conditions?  
Gluon shadowing vs geometry,  
Hard processes ~ # binary collisions  
Differences at LHC /RHIC?

# System Size & Lifetimes

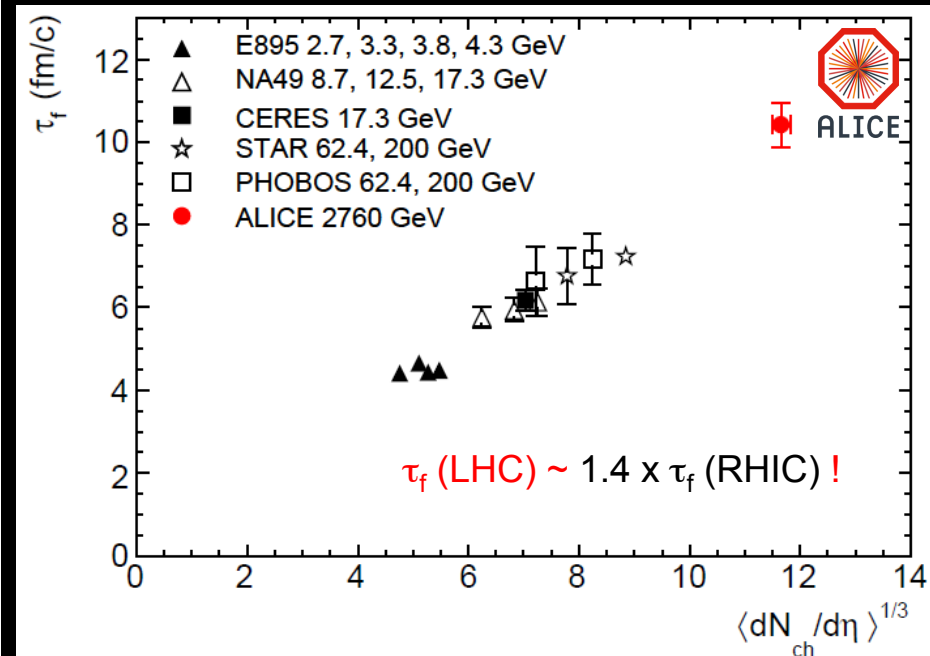
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## System size



Size  $\rightarrow$  Volume  $\sim dN/d\eta$

## Lifetimes

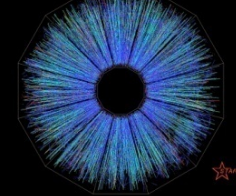


$\tau_f \sim \langle dN_{ch}/d\eta \rangle^{1/3}$

$\tau_f$  (central PbPb)  $\sim 10 - 11$  fm/c

Lifetime  $\rightarrow$  hydrodynamic expansion





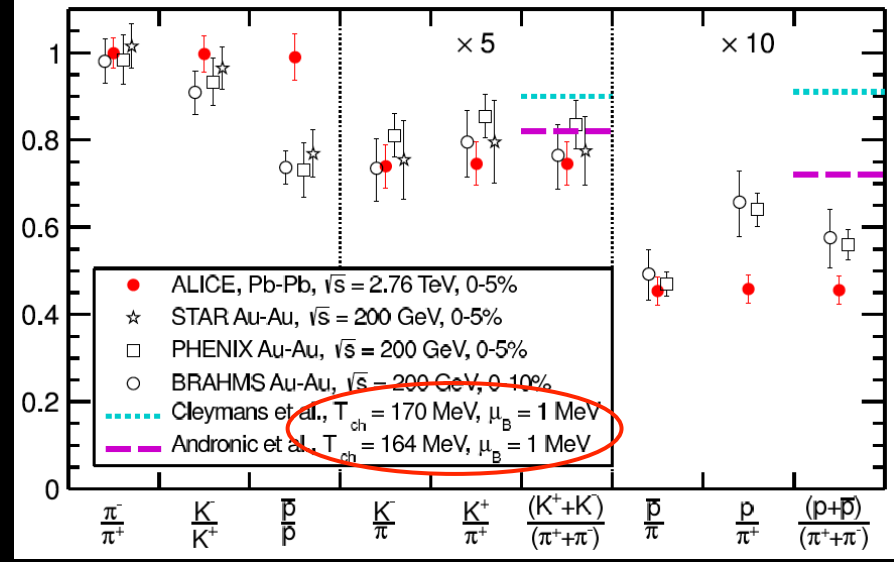
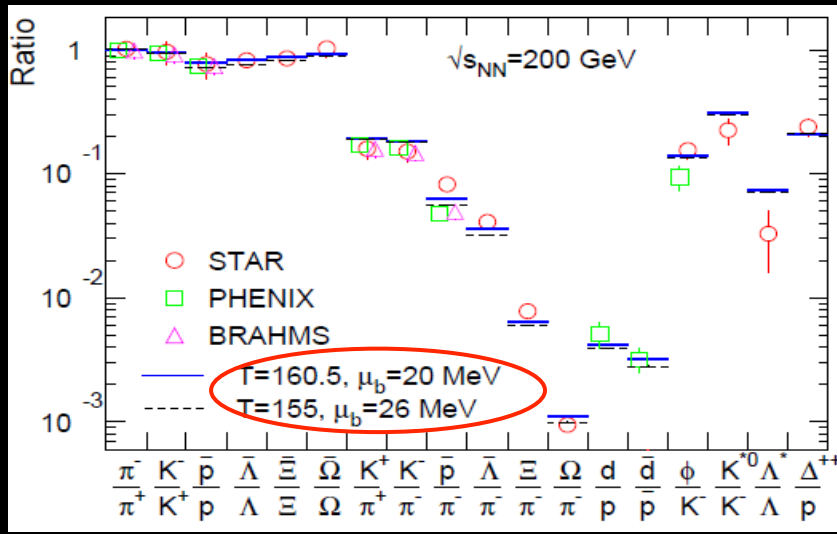
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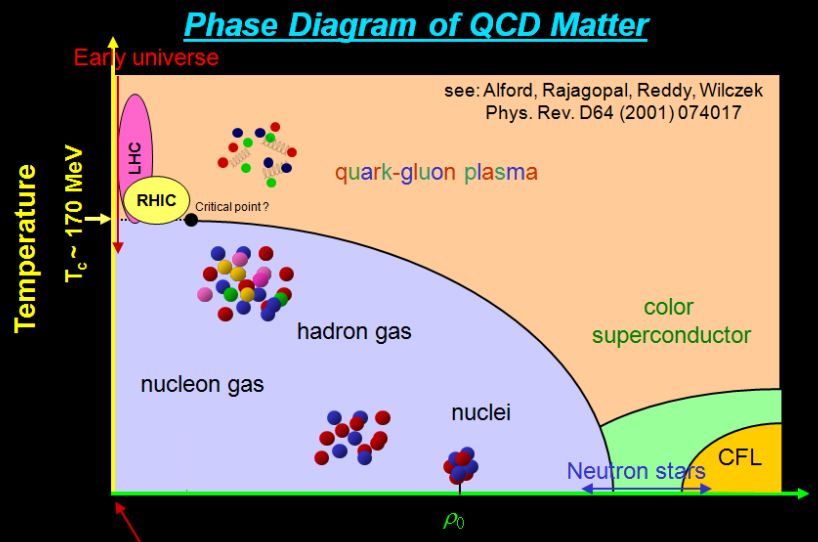
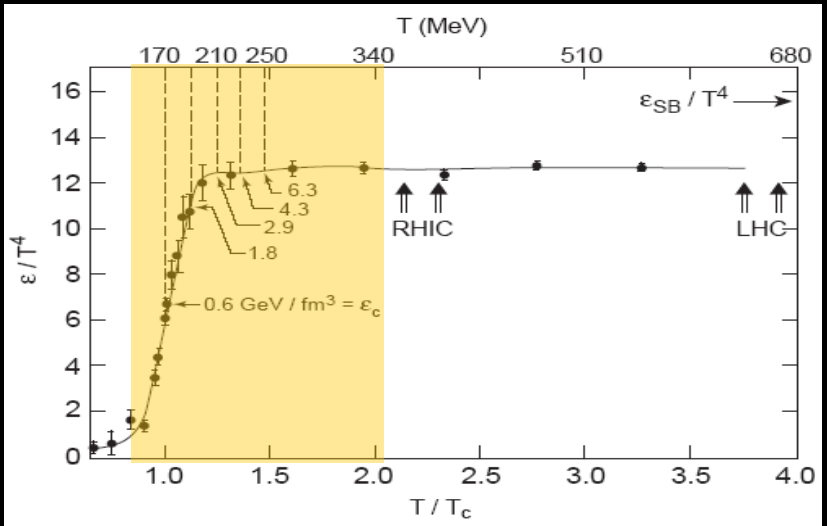
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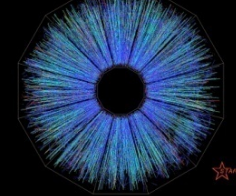
→ Confirm lattice predictions for  $T_{\text{critical}}$ ,  $\mu_B$

# Particles Formed at Universal Hadronization $T$



Particles yields  $\rightarrow$  equilibrium abundances  $\rightarrow$  universal hadronization  $T_{\text{critical}}$



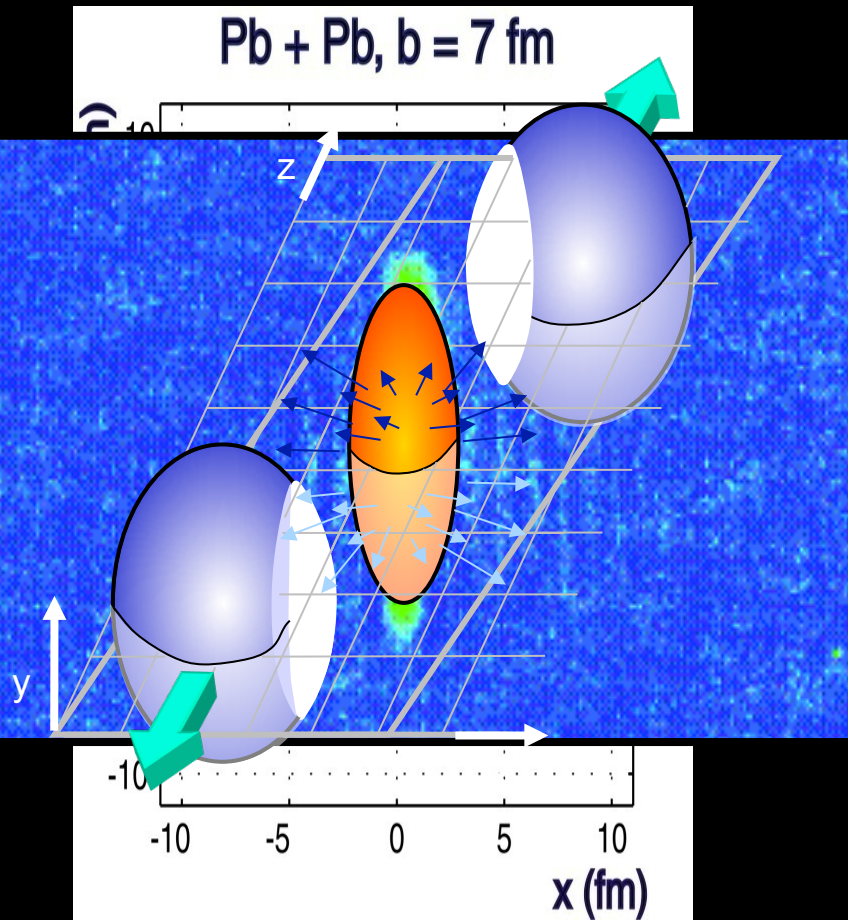


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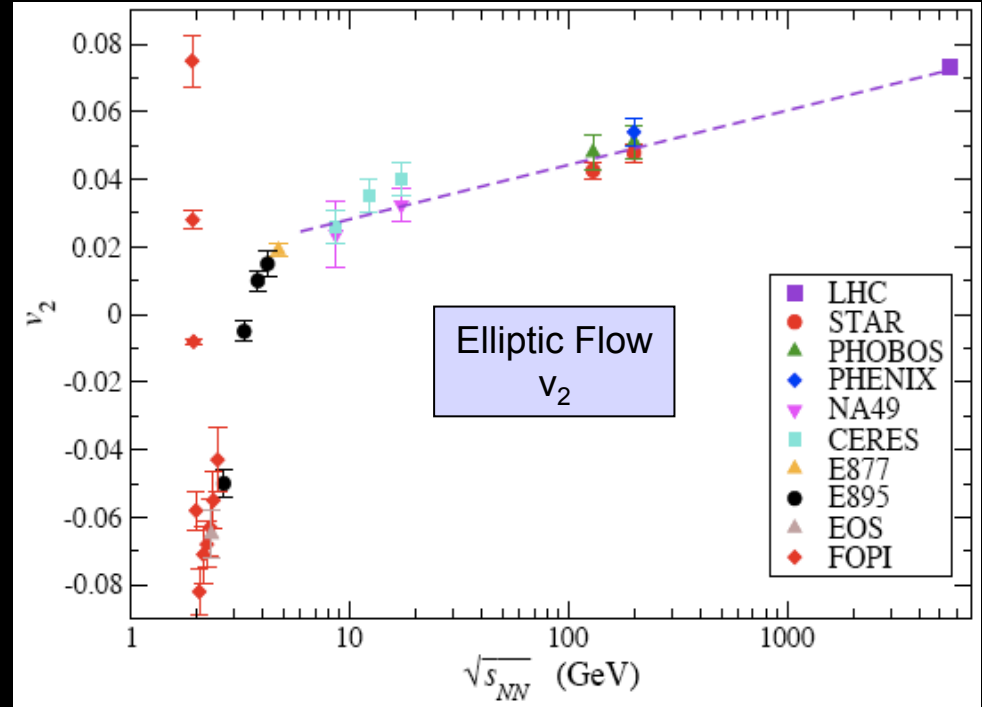
3) Strong flow observed → ultra-low shear viscosity  
Strongly-coupled liquid → quark-gluon plasma



# Large Elliptic Flow Observed at RHIC and LHC!



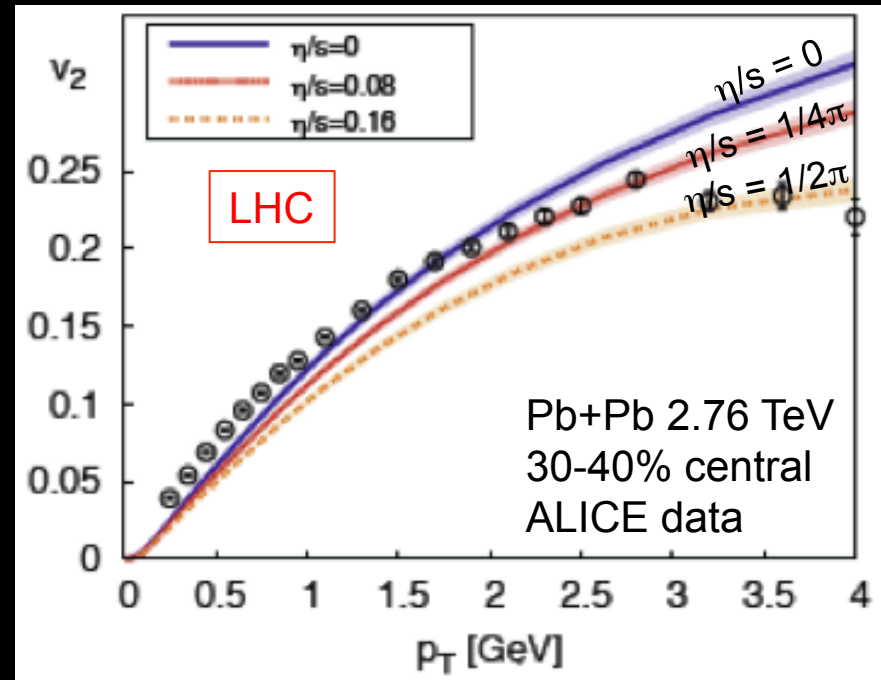
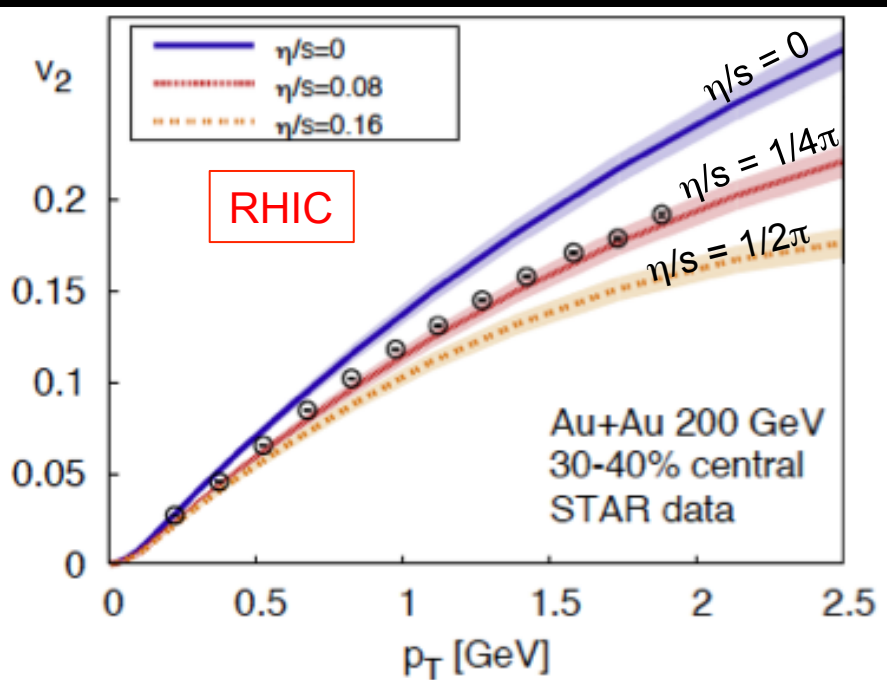
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Predicted by hydrodynamics with very low shear viscosity

Increase in  $v_2$  from RHIC to LHC

# It's a Strongly-Coupled Medium with Ultra-Low Shear Viscosity



Viscous hydrodynamics calculations: Schenke, et al. PRL 106 (2011) 042301

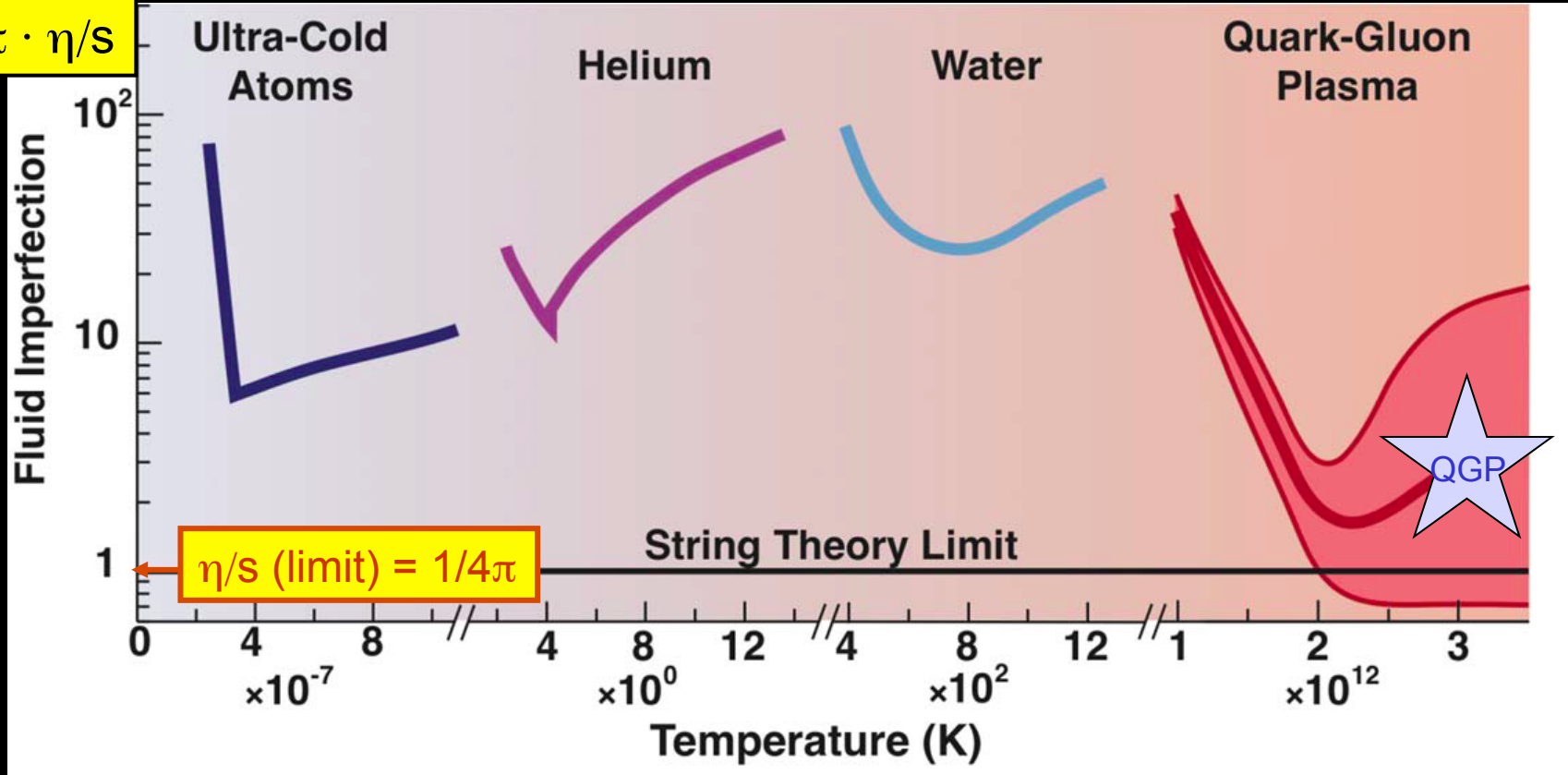
$$\rightarrow 1/4\pi < \eta/s < 1/2\pi$$

Universal lower bound on shear viscosity / entropy ratio ( $\eta/s$ )

$$\rightarrow \eta/s = 1/4\pi \quad \text{for the "perfect liquid"}$$

The strong-coupling limit of non-Abelian gauge theories with a gravity dual  
(ref: Kovtun, Son, Starinets, PRL 94, 111601 (2005))

# Ultra-low (Shear) Viscosity Fluids



$T = 2 \times 10^{12} \text{ K}$

Quantum lower viscosity bound:  $\eta/s > 1/4\pi$  (Kovtun, Son, Starinets)

From strongly coupled  $N = 4$  SUSY YM theory.

3-d Rel. Hydro describes RHIC/LHC  $v_2$  data with  $\eta/s \sim 1/2\pi$  near lower bound!



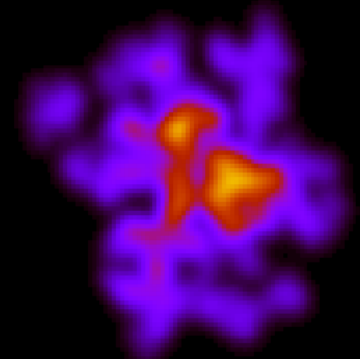
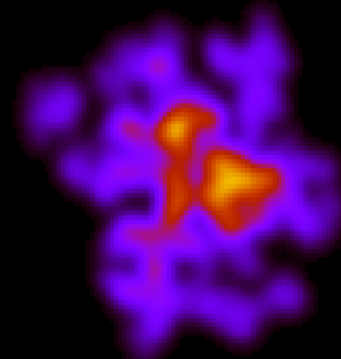
# Event-by-Event Initial Conditions Vary!

Initial conditions vary event-to-event.



Ideal  $\eta/s = 0$

$\eta/s = 0.16 (1/2\pi)$



$t = 0.5 \text{ fm/c}$

Hydro evolution

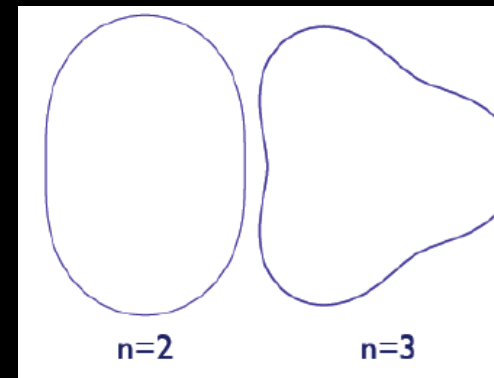
of overlap region: Schenke, et al. PRL 106:042301

Overlap region (1 event): Kowalski, Lappi, Venugopalan, PRL 100:022303

Final observation



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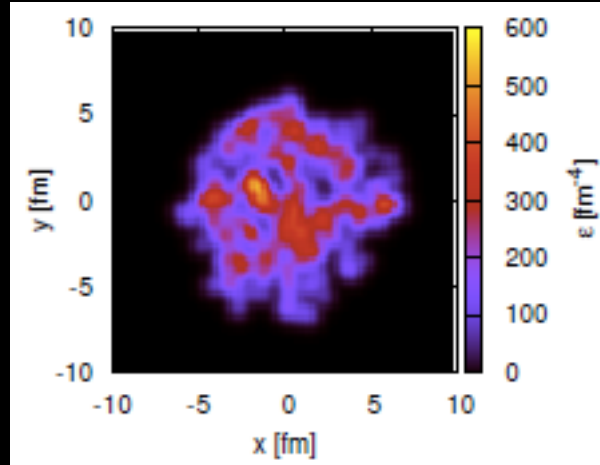


Azimuthal RHI harmonics provide information on viscous damping & spatial correlations:

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# Higher Order Harmonics → Properties of QGP

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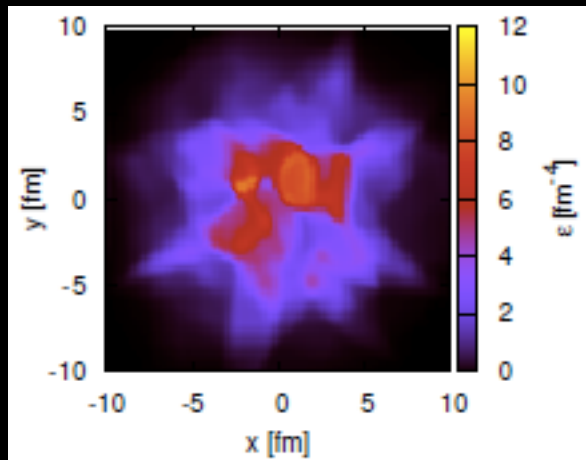


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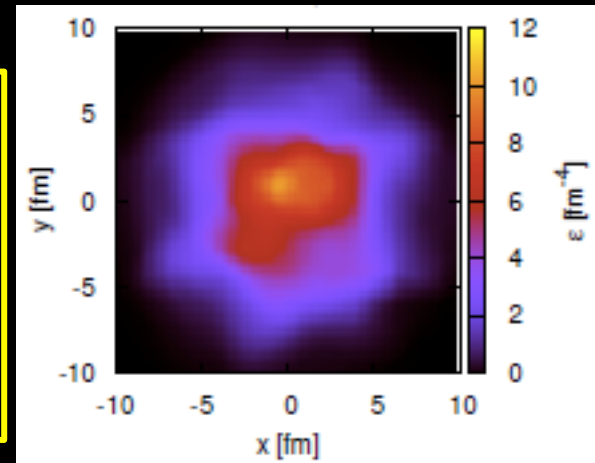
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Sound attenuation length:  
 $\Gamma_s = \eta/s * 1/T$   
 governs linear fluctuations.

Reynolds #  $\sim 1/\Gamma_s$   
 governs non-linear fluctuations.

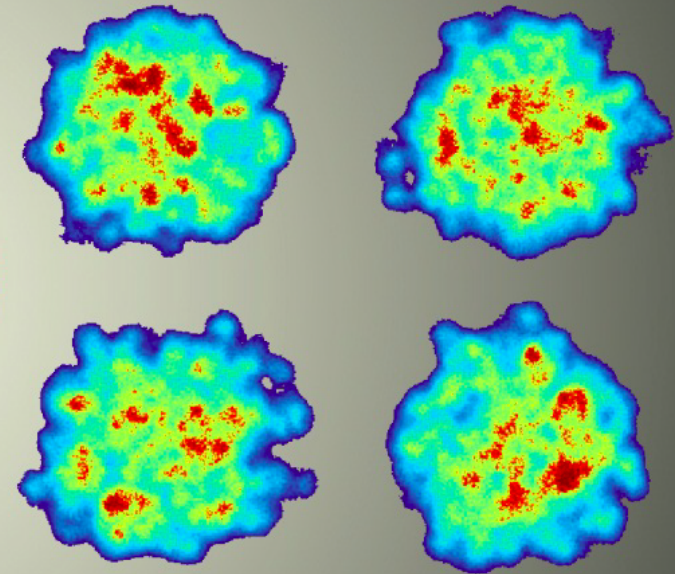
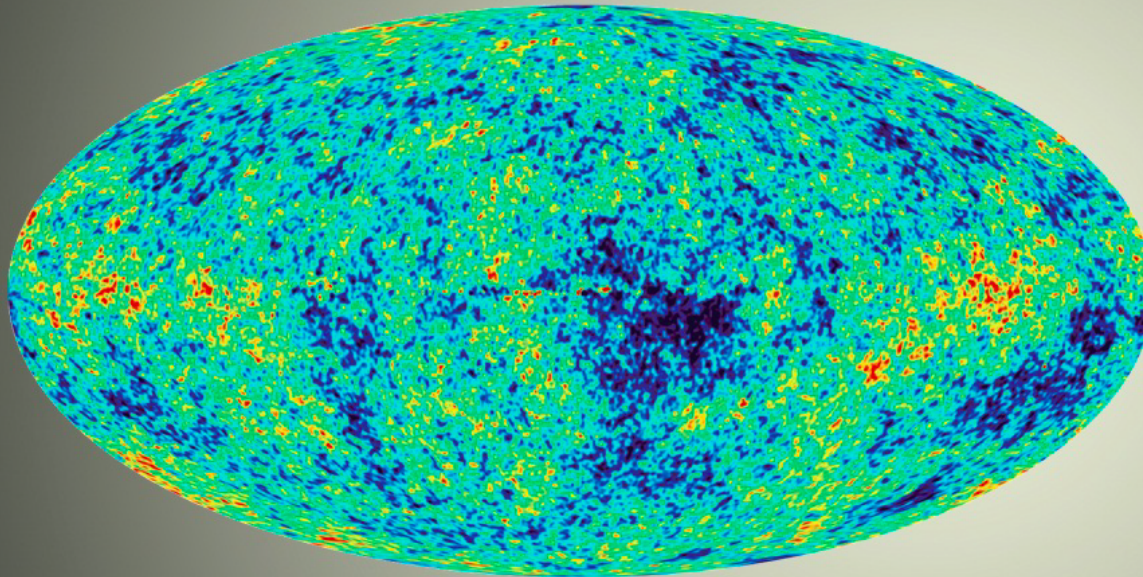
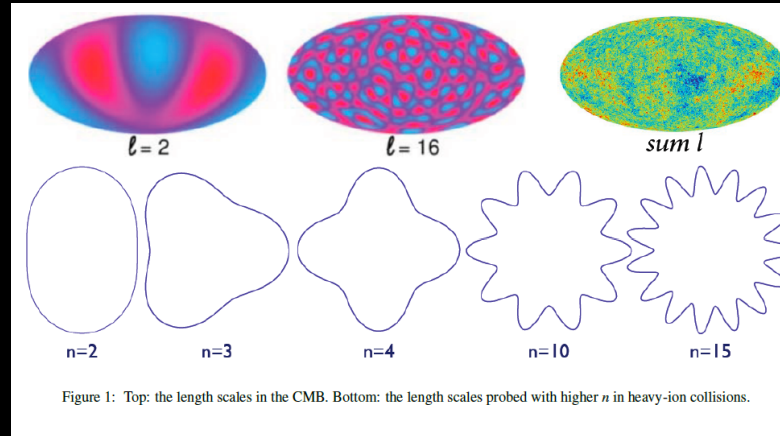


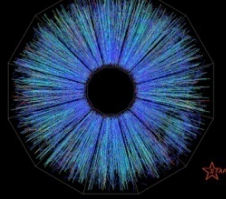
Higher order harmonics provide extent to which initial inhomogeneity propagates thru the QGP:

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# Potential of Higher Order Harmonics

Gaussian width of harmonic distributions related to length scale  
such as mean free path & horizon.





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## 4) QGP radiation (direct photons)

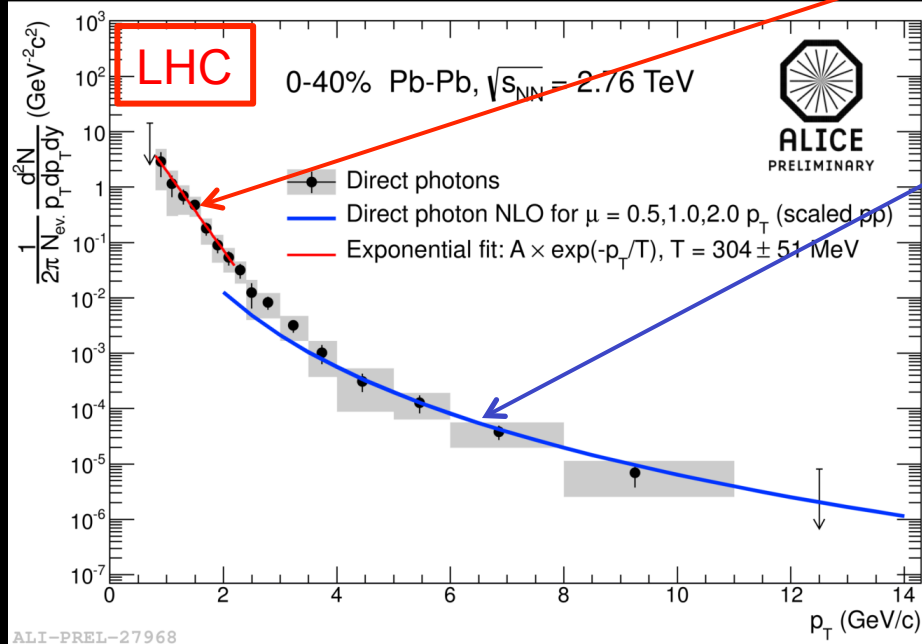
→ exhibit time-integrated temperatures  $\gg T_{\text{critical}}$



# Thermal Photons – Shining of the QGP

A thermal component of direct photons:

Exponential fit for  $p_T < 2.2$  GeV/c  
inv. slope  $T = 304 \pm 51$  MeV

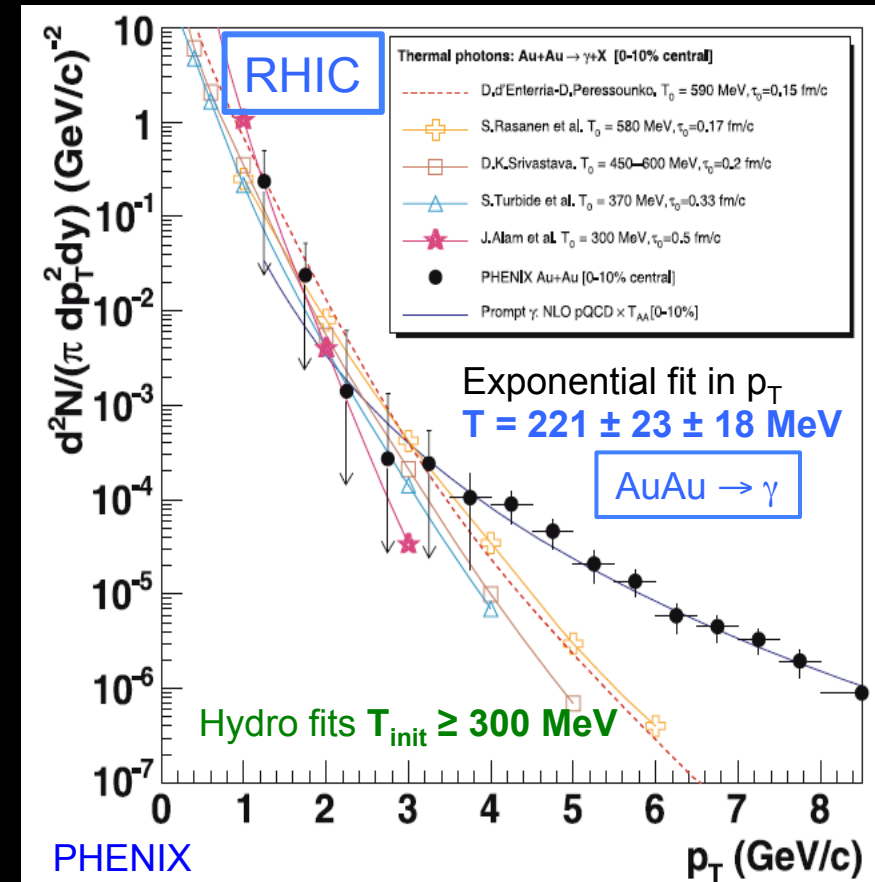


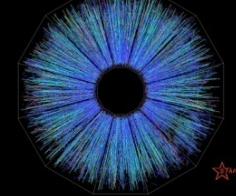
$N_{coll}$ -scaled NLO pQCD

LHC (ALICE):  $T = 304 \pm 51$  MeV  
for  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$  TeV Pb-Pb

RHIC(PHENIX):  $T = 221 \pm 19 \pm 19$  MeV  
for  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 0.2$  TeV Au-Au

Note: T is integral over entire evolution!





## “What Have We Learned” from RHIC & LHC

5) It's opaque to the most energetic (“hard”) probes:

Light & heavy quarks are suppressed at large  $p_T$

Away-side jets quenched and jet energy imbalance

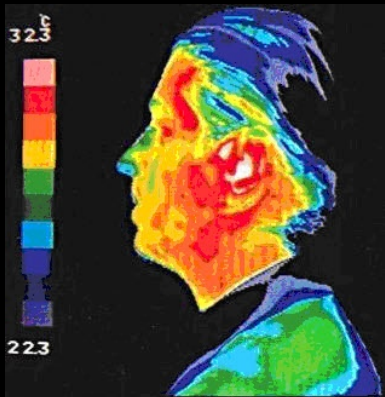
p-Pb studies confirm quenching/suppression is final state effect

# Definition of “Hard Probes”

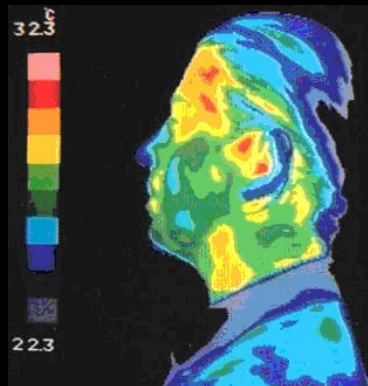
Definition of “Hard” – “relating to radiation that is highly penetrating or energetic”

Definition of “Probe” – “device to explore properties of something that cannot be viewed directly”

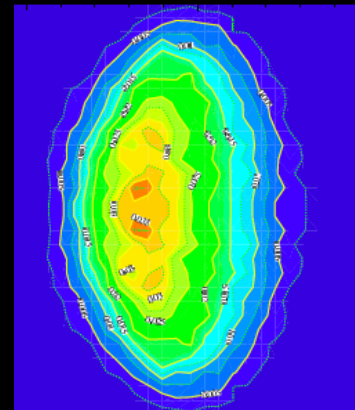
“Hard Probes” –  
“highly penetrating observables (particles, radiation) used to explore properties of matter that cannot be viewed directly!”



John Harris (Yale)

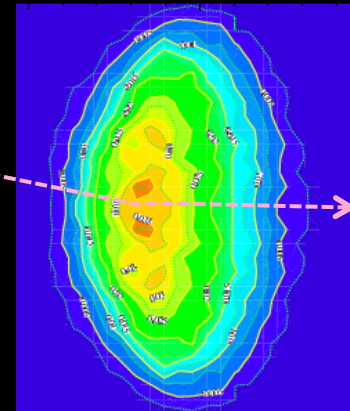


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# Hard Scattering Processes



In QCD:

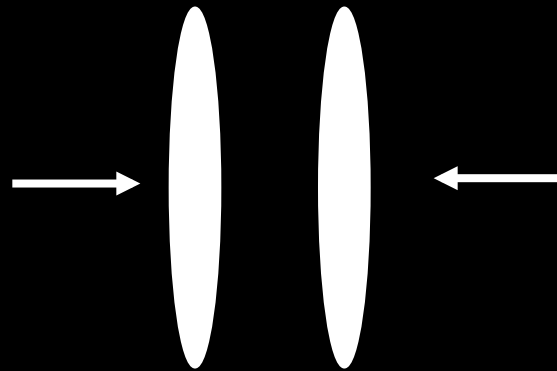
Hard (highly penetrating) probes originate from hard scattering processes.

Hard processes are those where perturbative QCD is applicable and are characterized either by:

- large momentum transfer ( $Q^2$ )  
( $\rightarrow$  large 4-momentum transfer squared)
- large transverse momentum ( $p_T$ )
- large mass ( $m$ ) scale  
(e.g. heavy quark production also at low  $p_T$ )



# Probing Hot QCD Matter with Hard Probes



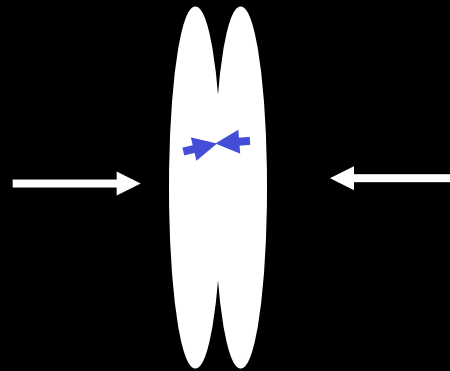
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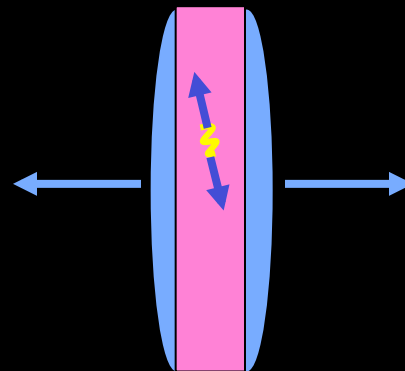
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reconstruct jets to determine parton kinematics.

measure modification of jets, leading particles & jet-correlations

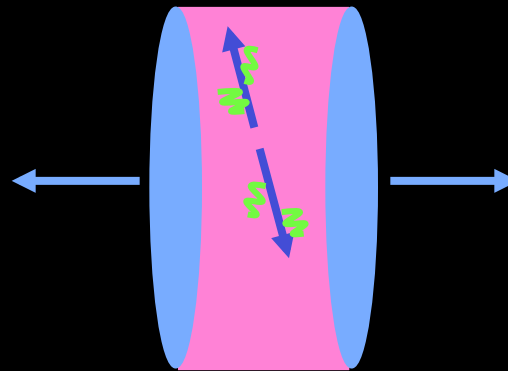
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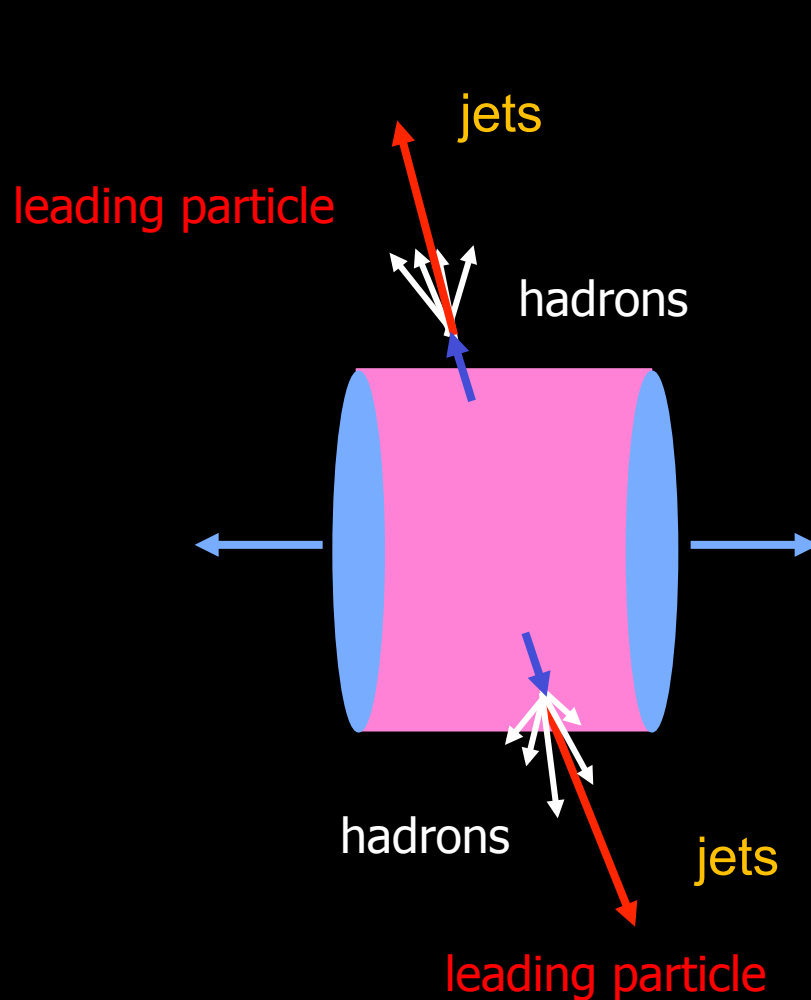
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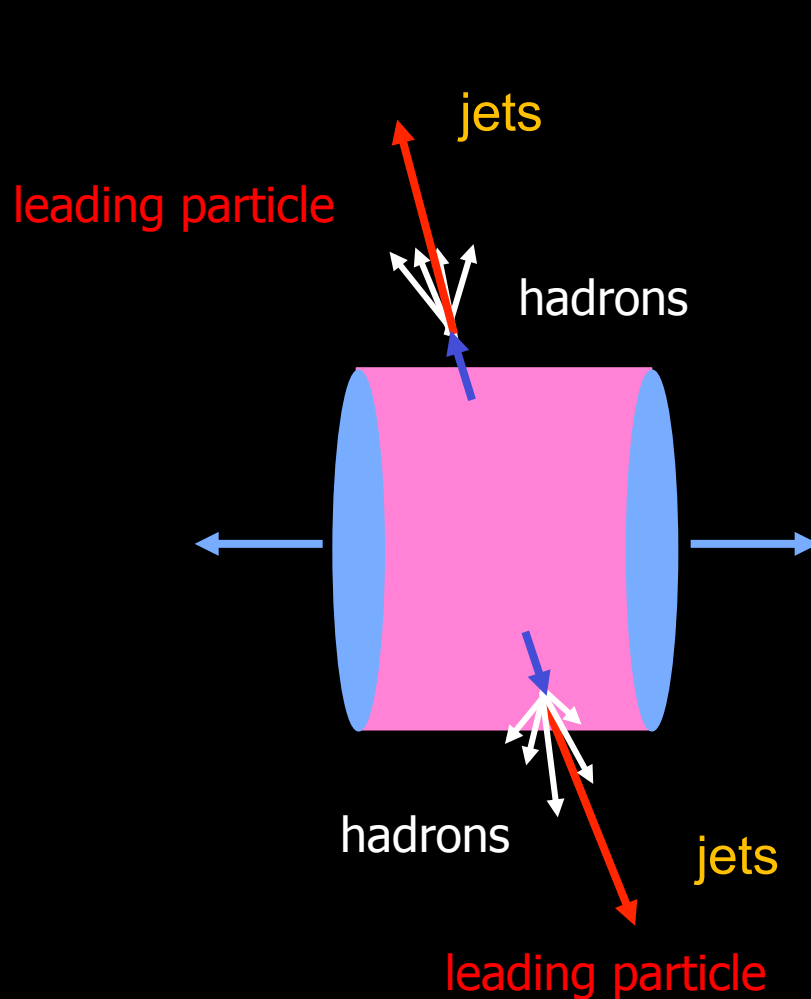
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This is what we wish to "see" and investigate!

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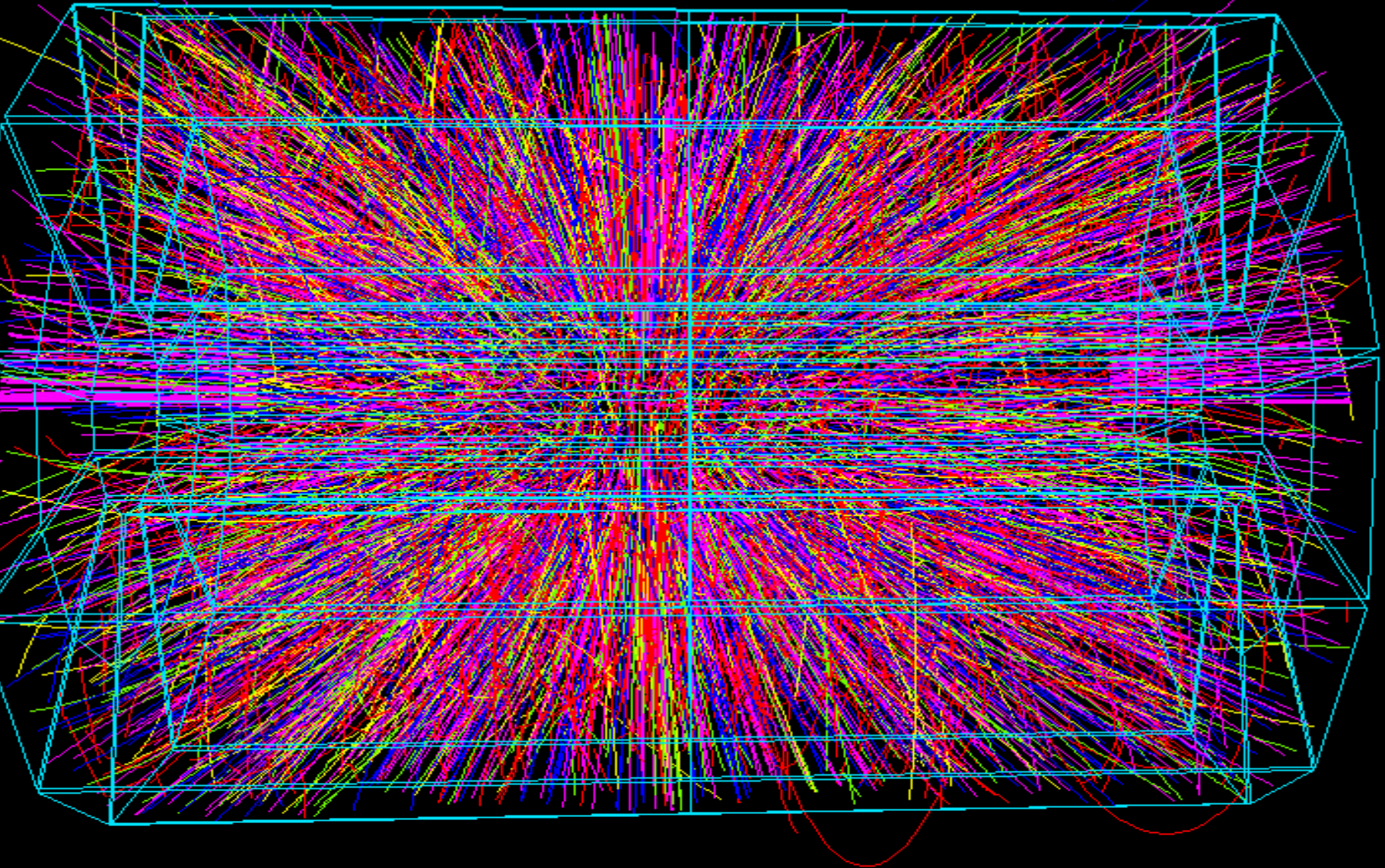
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Question – What happens to partons as they traverse the QGP and why? Think of QED analog!

# Probing Hot QCD Matter with Hard Probes



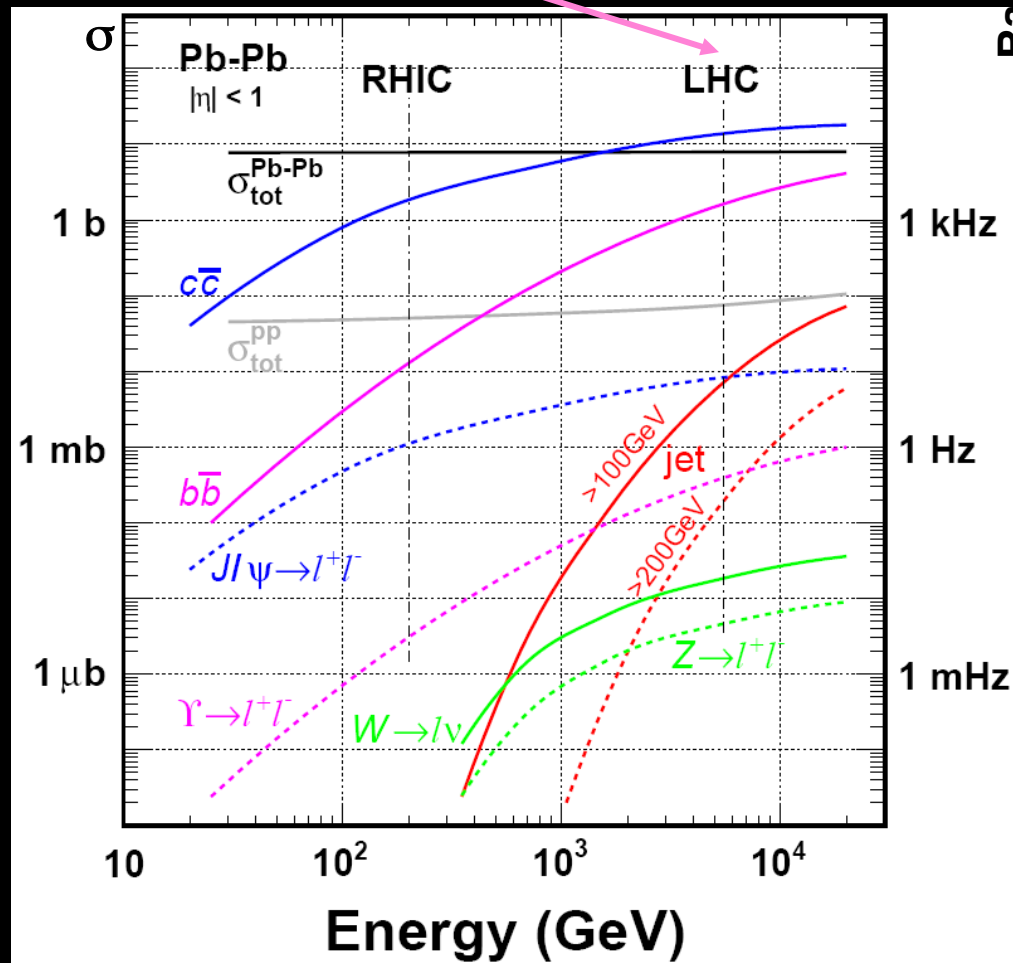
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# Hard Probes with LHC Heavy Ions

Significant increase in hard cross sections ( $p_T$  or mass  $> 2 \text{ GeV}/c$ ) at LHC

- “real” jets, large  $p_T$  processes
- abundance of heavy flavors
- probe early times, calculable

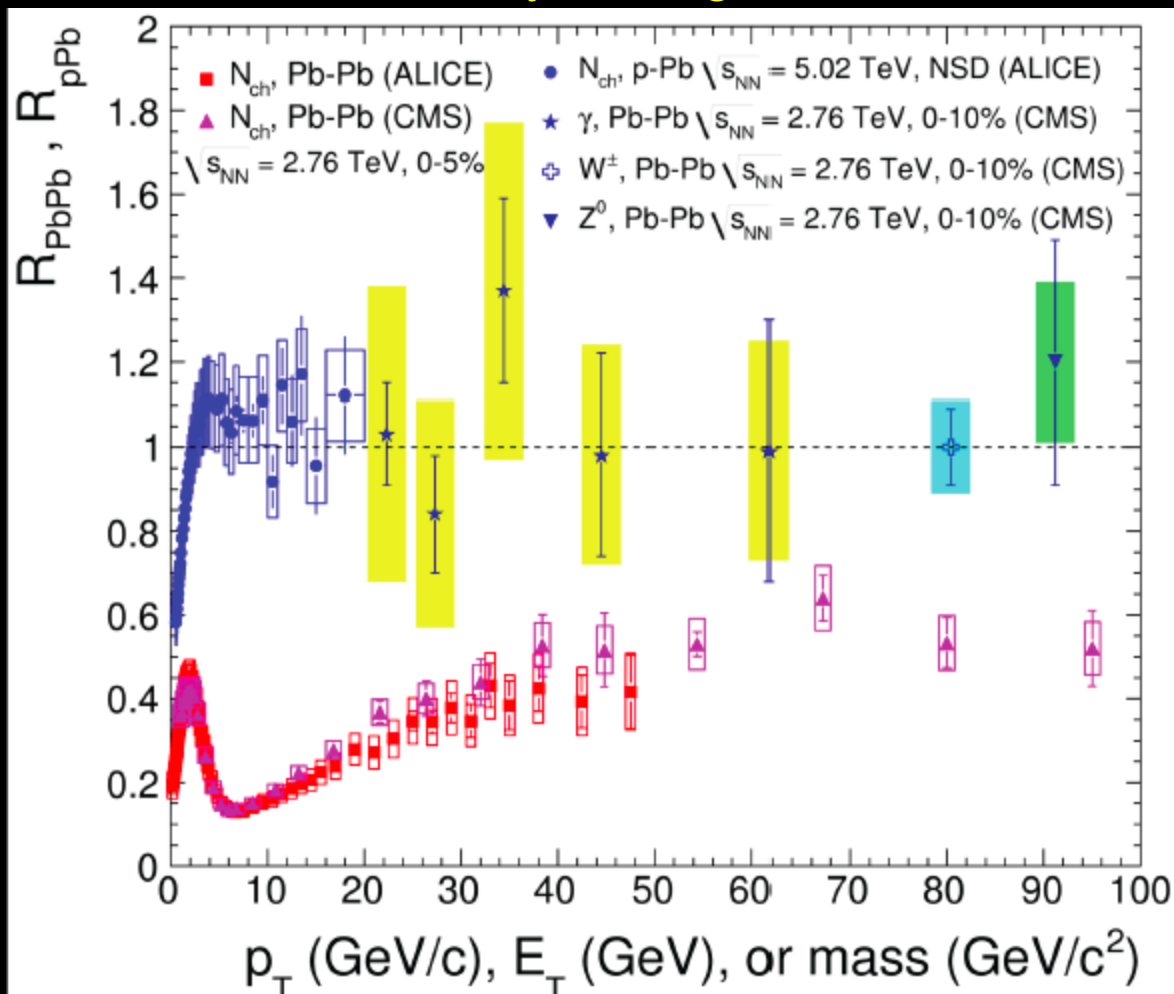
$\sigma_{bb}(\text{LHC}) \sim 100 \sigma_{bb}(\text{RHIC})$   
 $\sigma_{cc}(\text{LHC}) \sim 10 \sigma_{cc}(\text{RHIC})$





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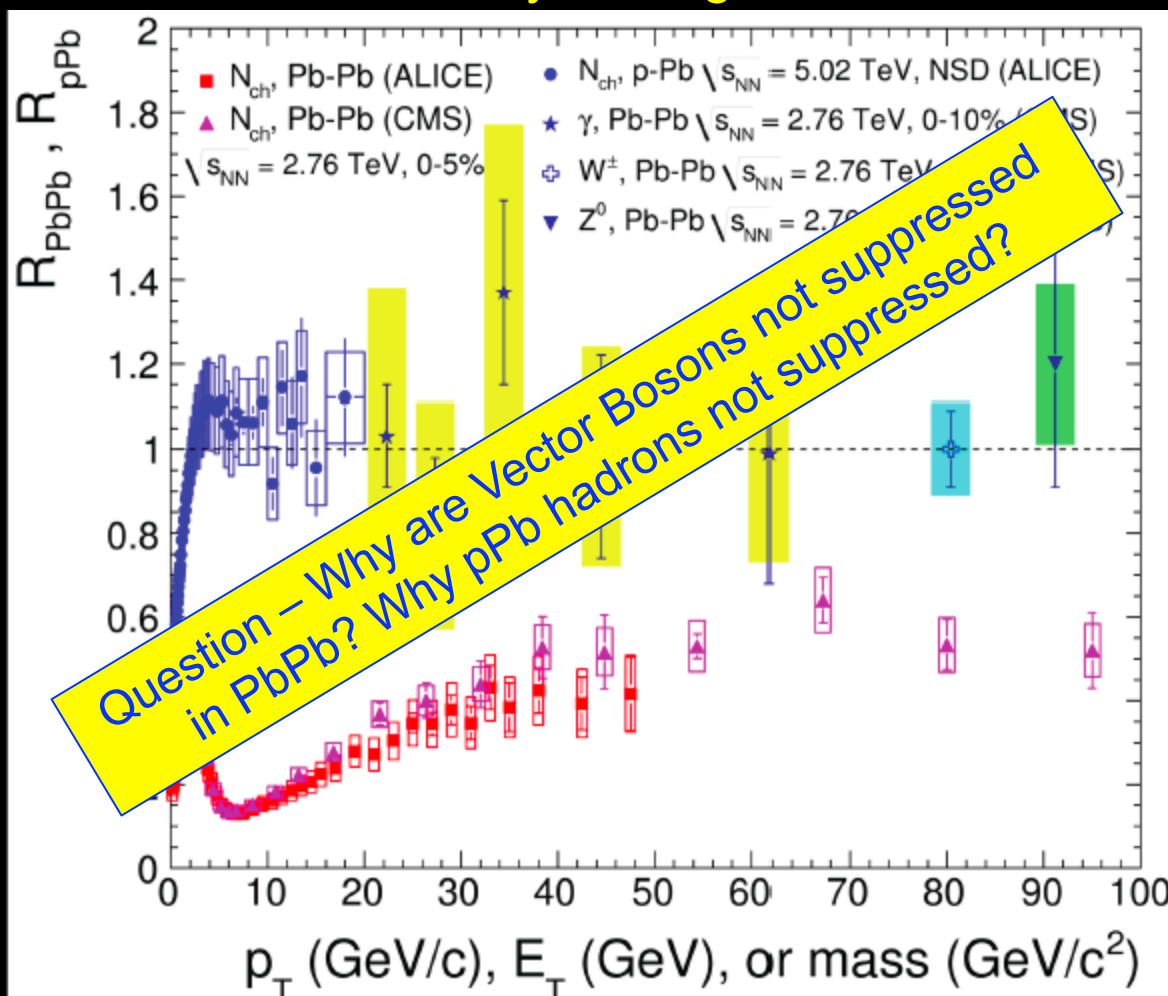
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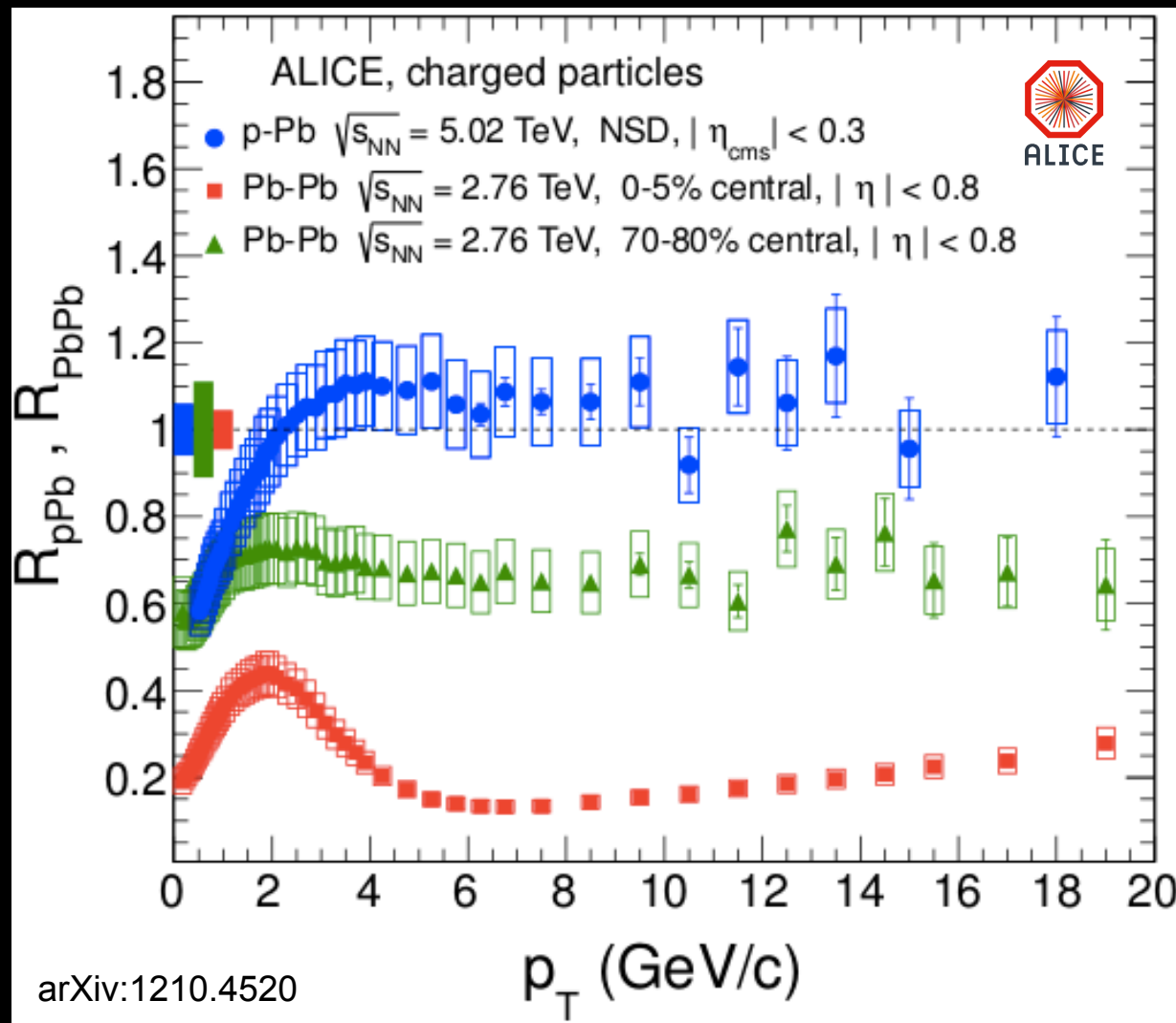
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# Comparison $p$ -Pb and Pb-Pb $\rightarrow$ Hadrons at LHC



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$p$ -Pb ( $p_T > 2$  GeV/c)

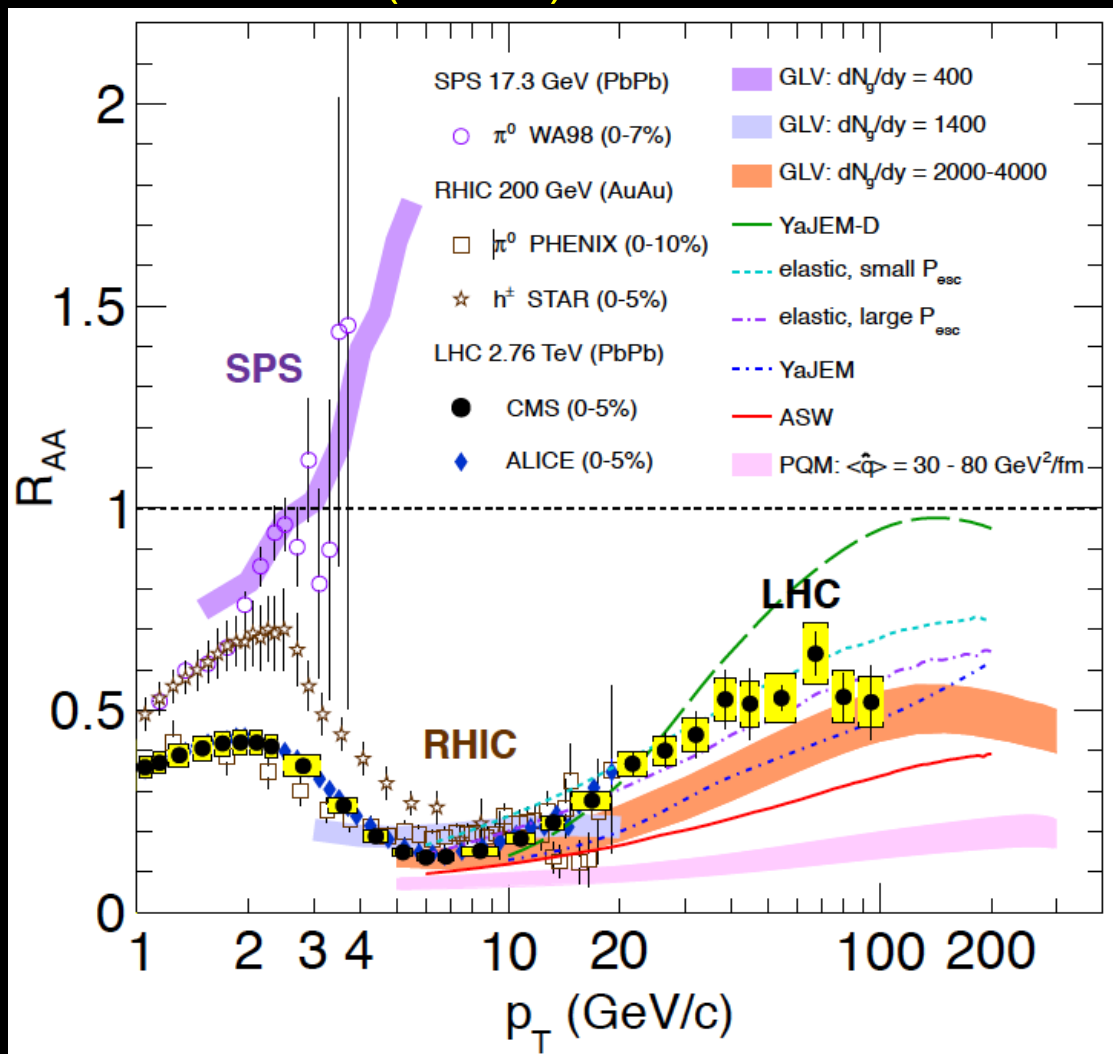
- Binary scaling  
( $R_{pPb} \sim 1$ )
- Absence of Nuclear Modification
- Initial state effects small

Pb-Pb – Suppression!

- Increases with centrality
- Not initial state
- Final state effect  
(hot QCD matter)

# RHIC and LHC Suppression of Charged Particles

## Pb-Pb (Au-Au) Central Collisions



$$R_{AA} = \frac{N_{AA}^{particle}}{N_{coll} N_{pp}^{particle}}$$

$R_{AA} = 1$

↓

Suppression

CMS, arXiv:1202.2554v1



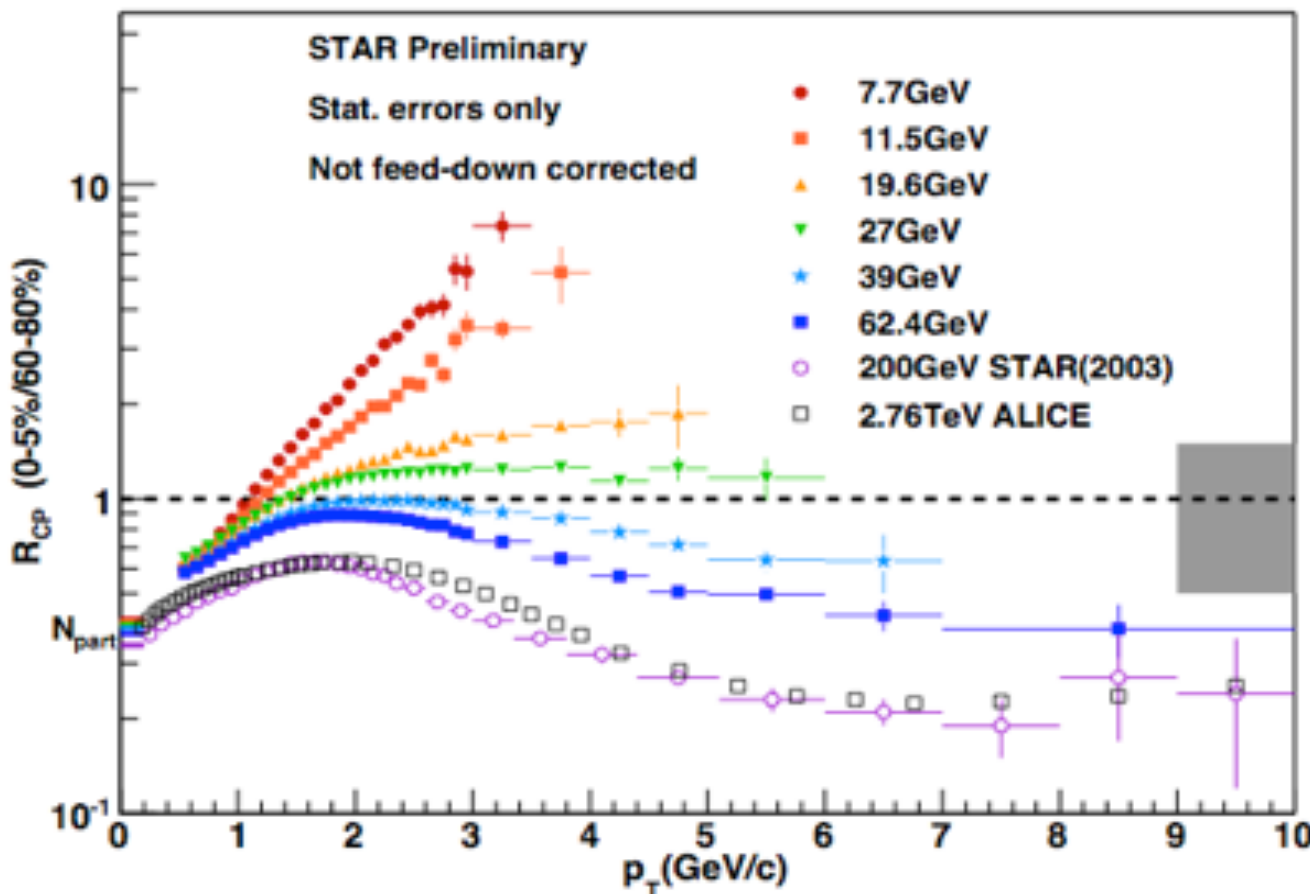


# (Lower Energy) RHIC High $p_T$ Charged Particles

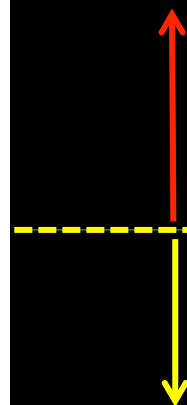
Au-Au (Pb-Pb) Central Collisions

$$R_{CP} = N_{\text{central}} / N_{\text{peripheral}}$$

$$\sim R_{AA}$$



Enhancement



$R_{CP} = 1$

Suppression

Enhancement (Cronin, initial state effects) below 39 GeV. Above quenching starts to dominate!

Models comparisons to data are in progress.

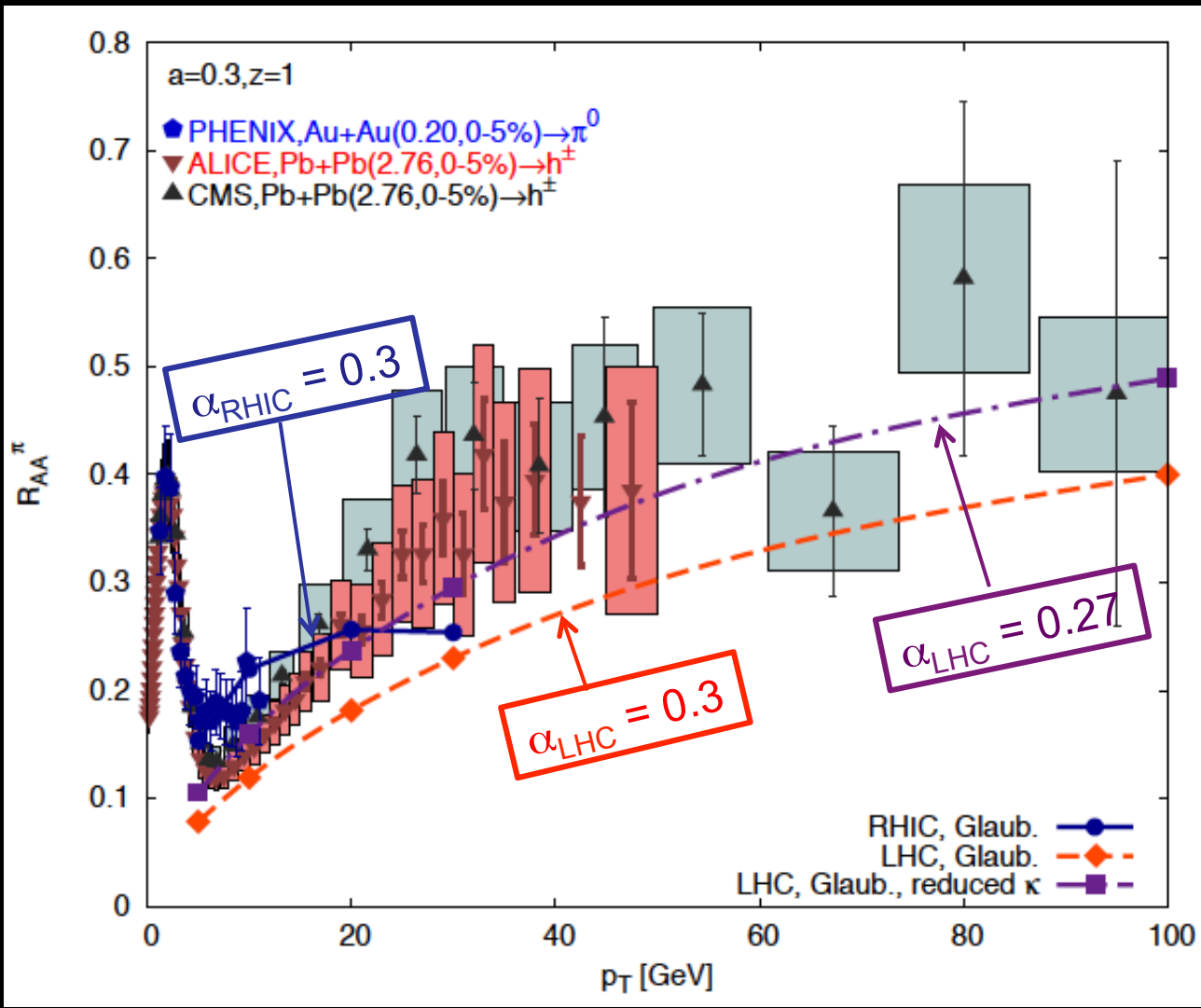
# Reduced $\alpha_s$ Describes LHC Trend

$$R_{AA} = \frac{N_{AA}^{particle}}{N_{coll} N_{pp}^{particle}}$$

$R_{AA}$  at LHC in pQCD:

Suppression described with reduced  $\alpha_s$ !

Some details remain.

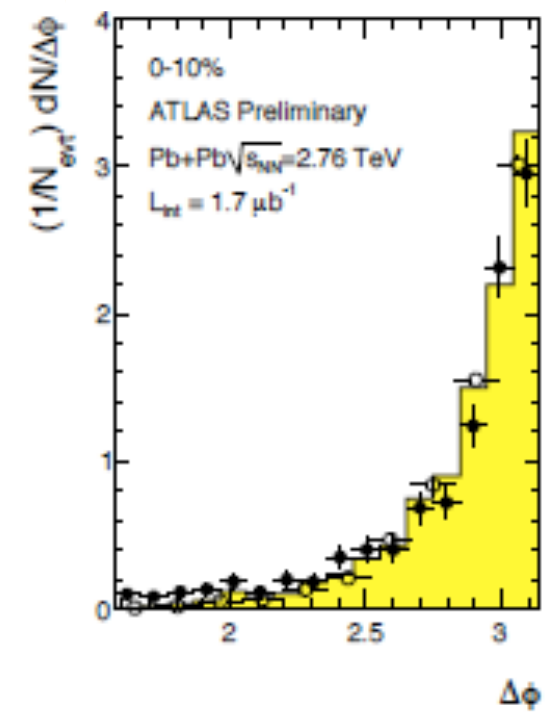
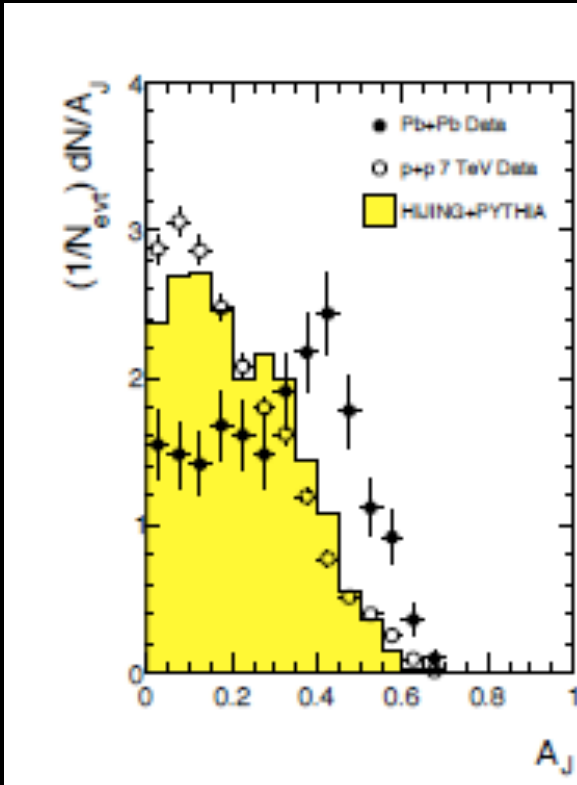
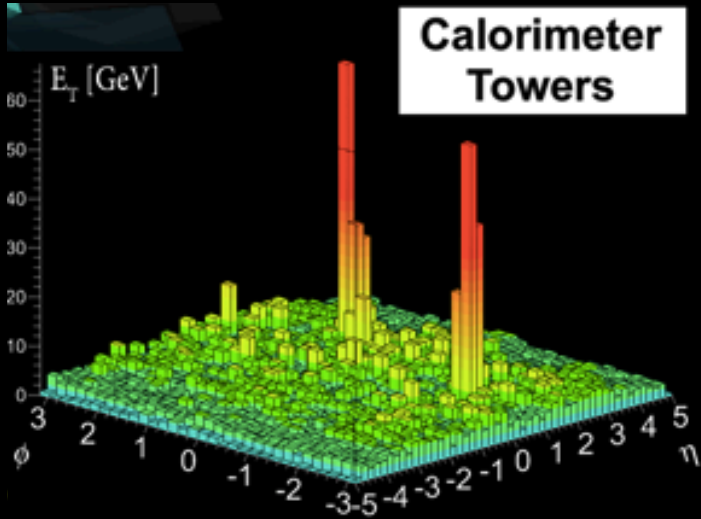


B. Betz & M. Gyulassy, arXiv:1201.0281

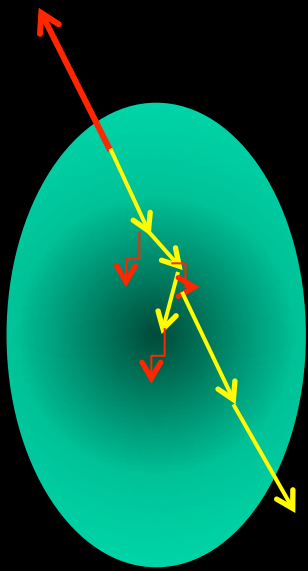
# Jets at the LHC – Di-Jet Energy Imbalance!



ATLAS, Phys. Rev. Lett. 105 (2010) 252303



Trigger jet



Away-side jet  
(less energy)

Energy Asymmetry:  $A_J = \frac{E_{T1} - E_{T2}}{E_{T1} + E_{T2}}$

for  $\Delta\phi > \pi/2$

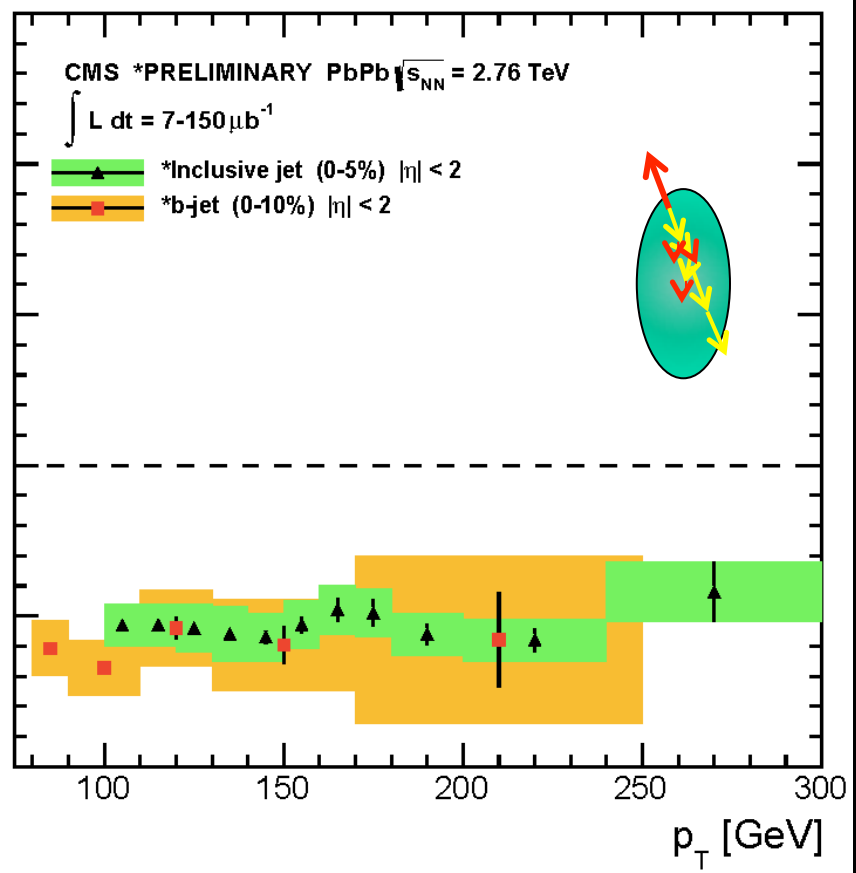
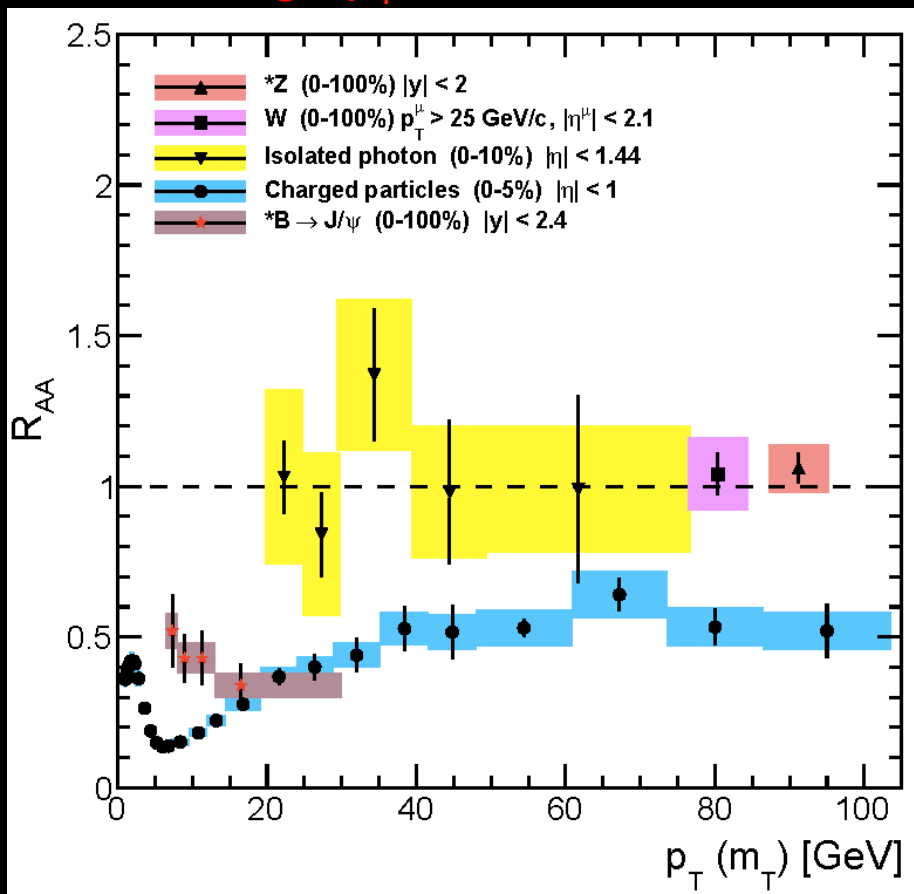
$(E_{T1} > 100 \text{ GeV}, \quad E_{T2} > 25 \text{ GeV})$

# Flavor (In-)Dependence of Jet Quenching CMS

High  $p_T$  Particles

at the LHC!

High  $p_T$  Jets



J. Velkovska (CMS) HP 2013

Same range of parton  $p_T$

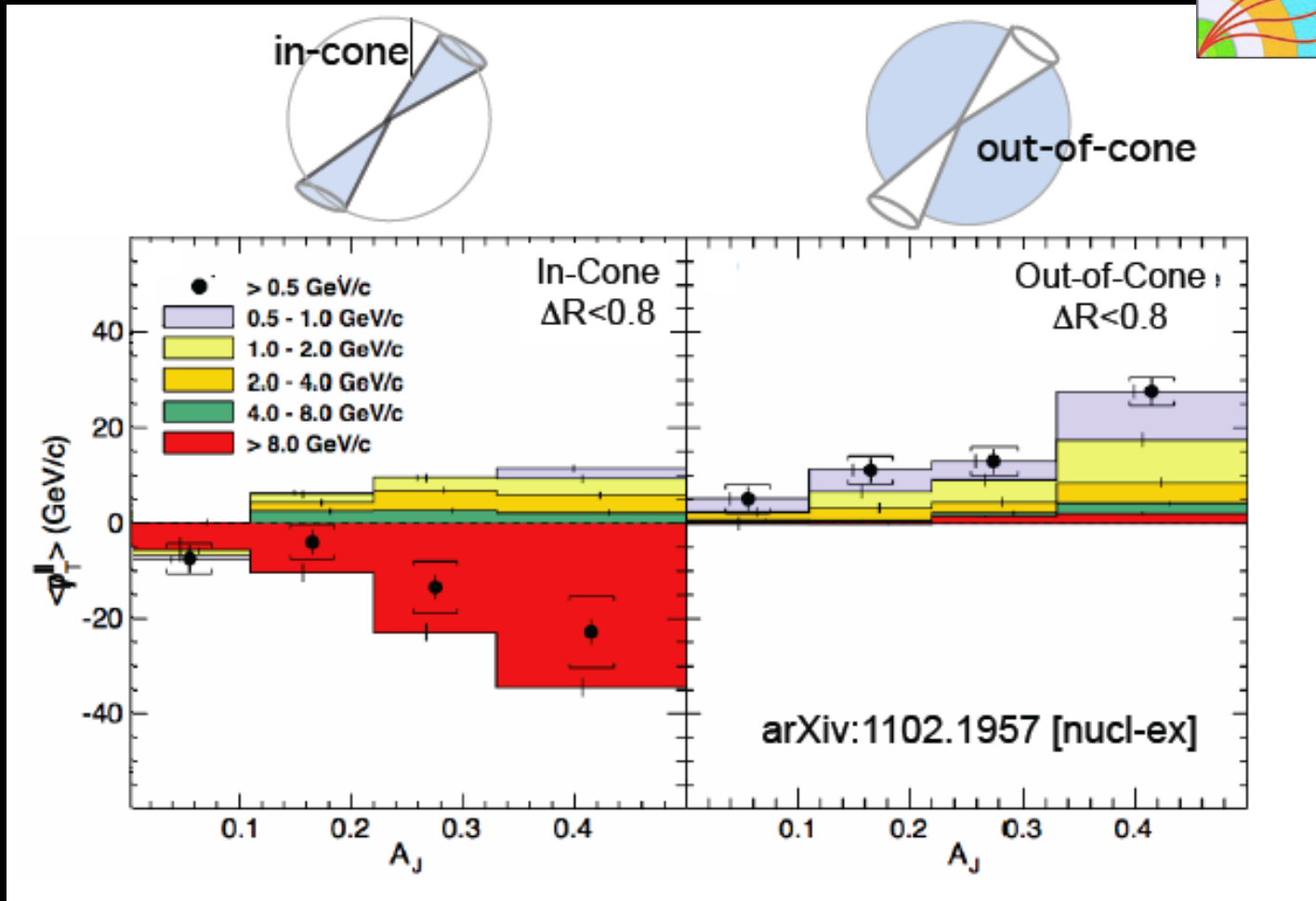
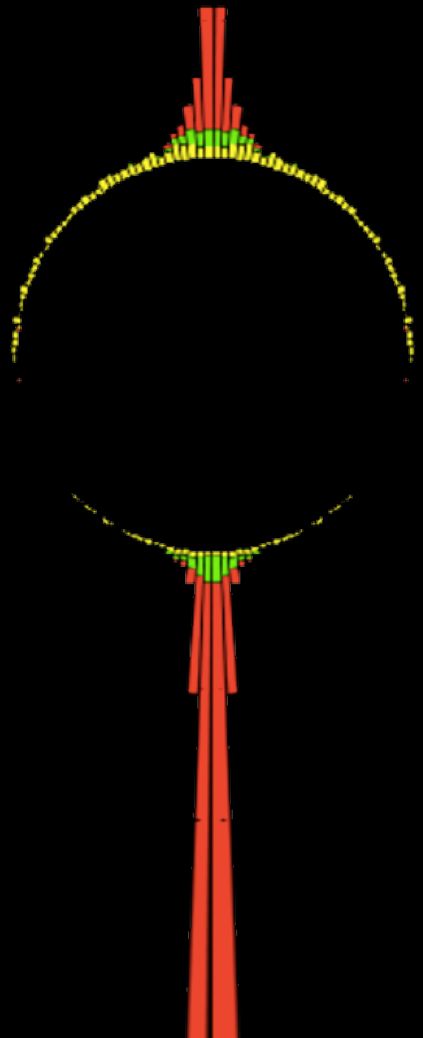
EPJC 72 (2012) 1945  
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Jets quenched – even at largest jet  $p_T$  (250 GeV/c)



# Where does the Energy Go? – LHC

PRC 84 (2011) 024906



Energy/momentum balance in event is carried by low momentum particles at large angles to jets!

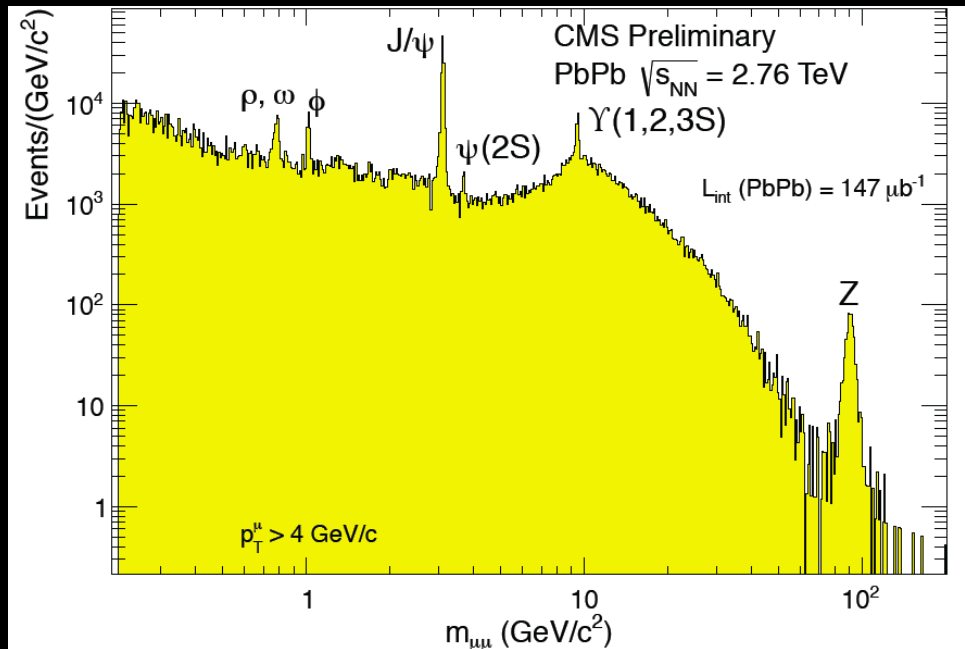
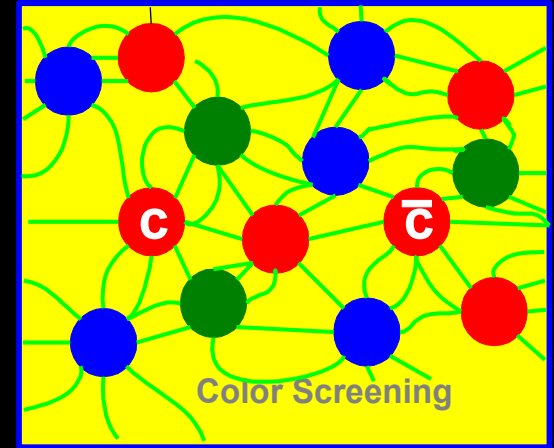
pQCD, vacuum fragmentation, thermalization of lost energy?

# “What Have We Learned” from RHIC & LHC

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Has properties of color-screening

# Quarkonia in the QGP

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Debye color screening in the QGP  $\rightarrow$

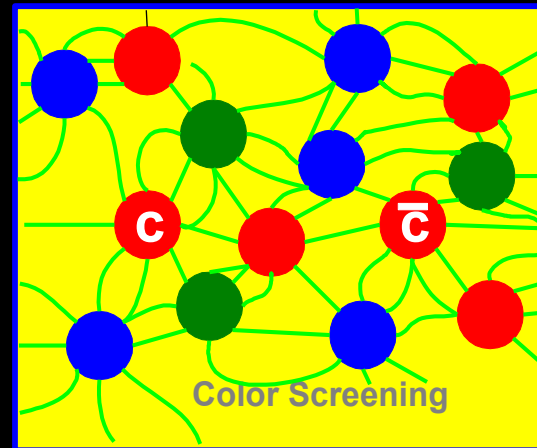


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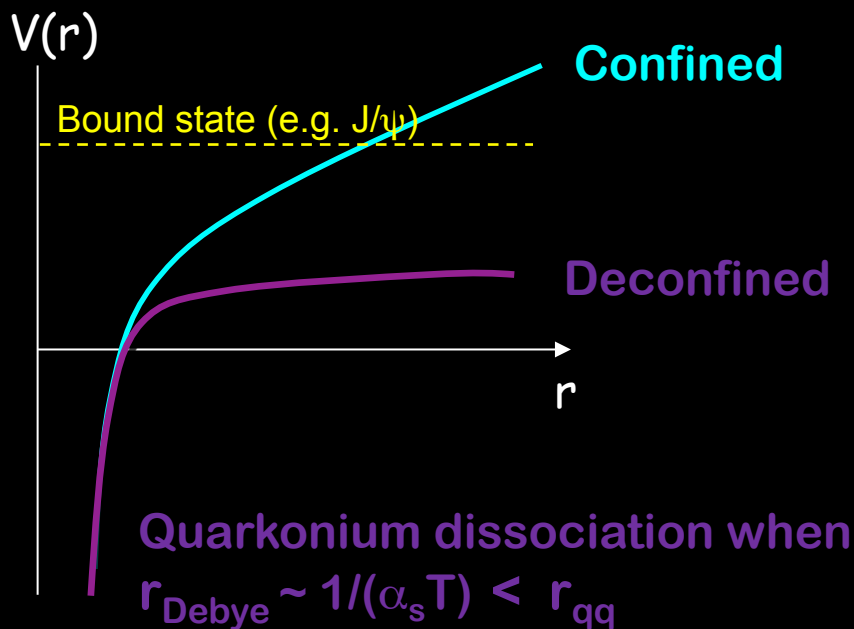
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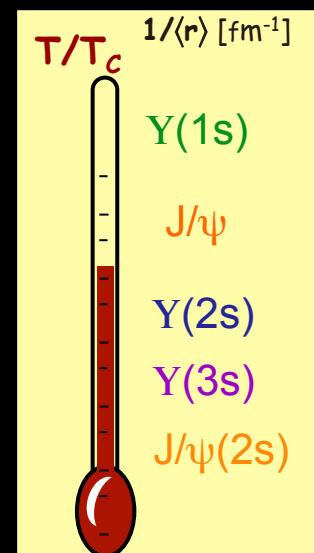
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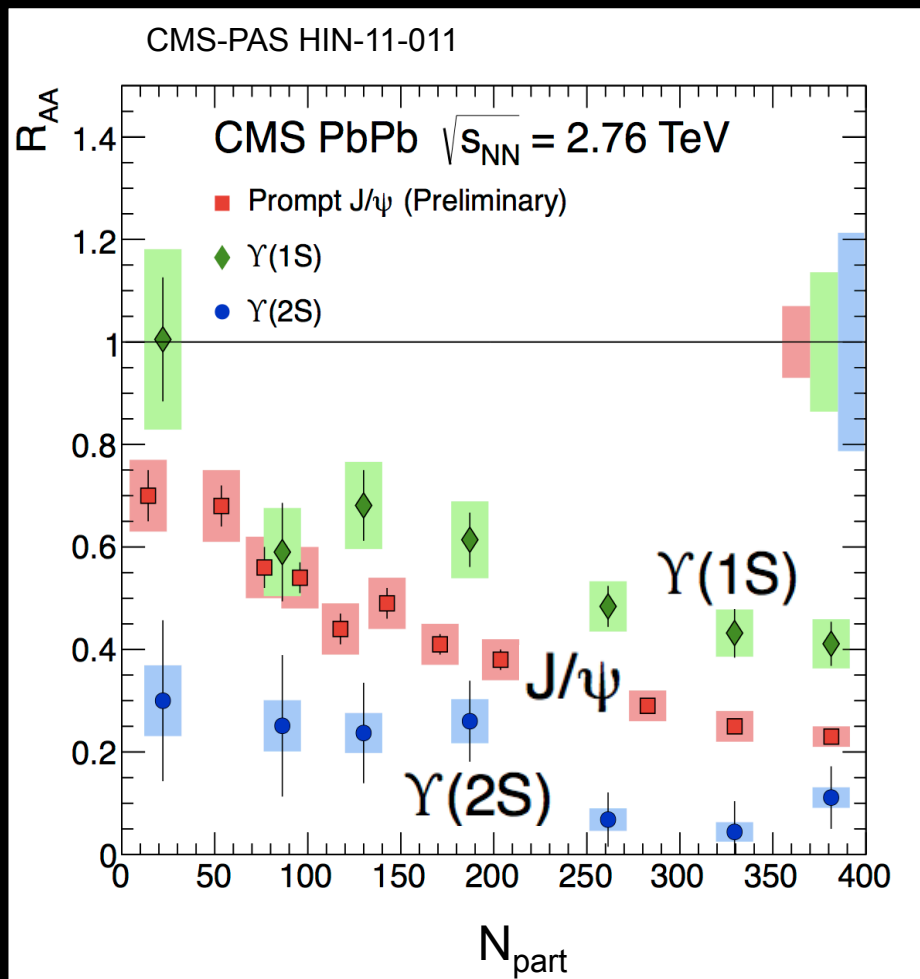




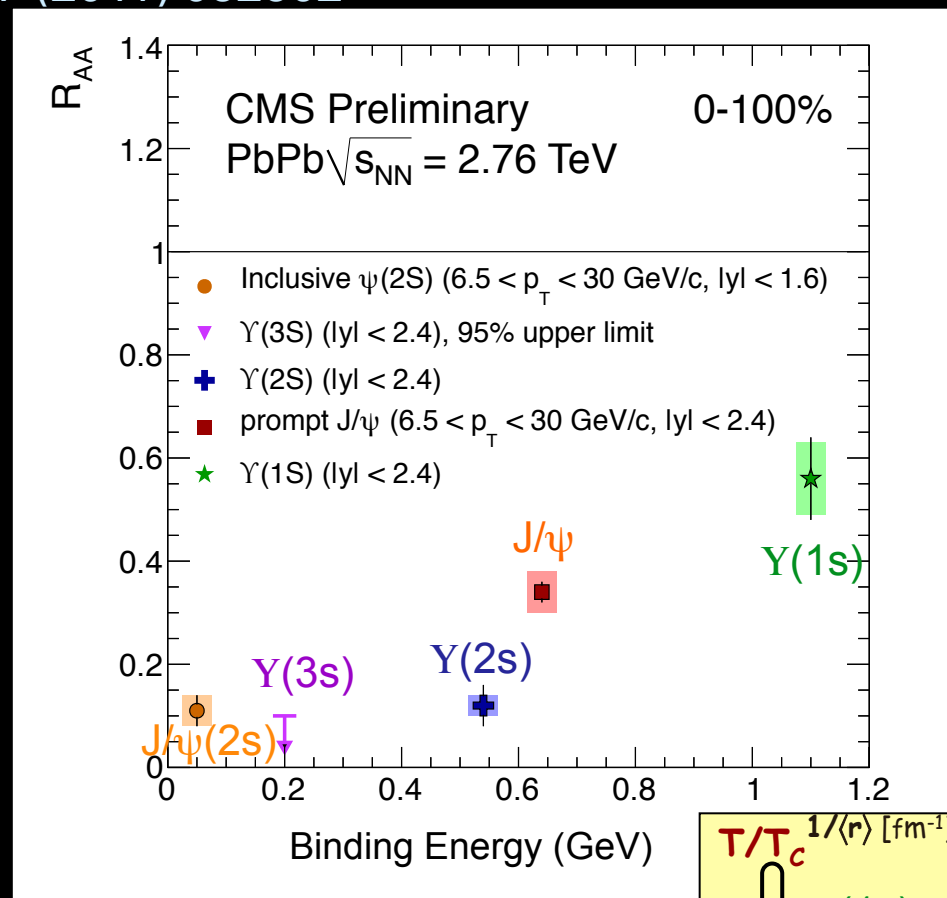
# $J/\psi$ and $\Upsilon$ Suppression at the LHC



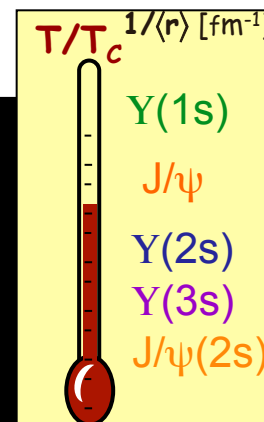
CMS, PRL 107 (2011) 052302



Suppression of Quarkonium States  
As Expected!



Quarkonium  
Thermometer!



# “What Have We Learned” from RHIC & LHC



- 1) Consistent Picture of Geometry, Dynamics and Evolution of RHI Collisions
- 2) Particle ratios  $\rightarrow$  equilibrium abundances  $\rightarrow$  universal hadronization  $T_{\text{critical}}$   
Confirm lattice predictions for  $T_{\text{critical}}$ ,  $\mu_B$
- 3) It has characteristics of a quark-gluon plasma  
Flows with ultra-low shear viscosity  
Strongly-coupled liquid
- 4) QGP radiation (direct photons)  $\rightarrow$  time-integrated temperatures  $\gg T_{\text{critical}}$
- 5) It's opaque to the most energetic probes  
Light & heavy quarks are suppressed at large  $p_T$   
Away-side jet quenched and jet energy imbalance  
 $p$ -Pb indicates quenching/suppression is effect of QCD medium
- 6) It has properties of color-screening  
Suppression of quarkonia ( $J/\psi$  and  $Y$  states)

Still much to be done experimentally and theoretically.....

# *Ultra-relativistic Heavy-Ion Physics and Experiments*

Introduction to Heavy Ion Physics

Machines and Experiments

How Do Heavy Ion Collisions Evolve?

Important Physics Results from RHIC and LHC

Future

# ***Heavy Ion Upgrades, New Machine & Detector Plans***

Will not go into details about:

RHIC Detector Upgrades (recent and RHIC Run plans)

LHC Upgrades for Long Shutdown 2 (or HI Run Plans)

Will mention in final slides:

- A new RHIC Experiment
- New Machine (EIC) plans



# A New RHIC Detector (currently known as sPHENIX)

How do asymptotically free quarks and gluons create the near-perfect liquidity of the QGP?

– or –

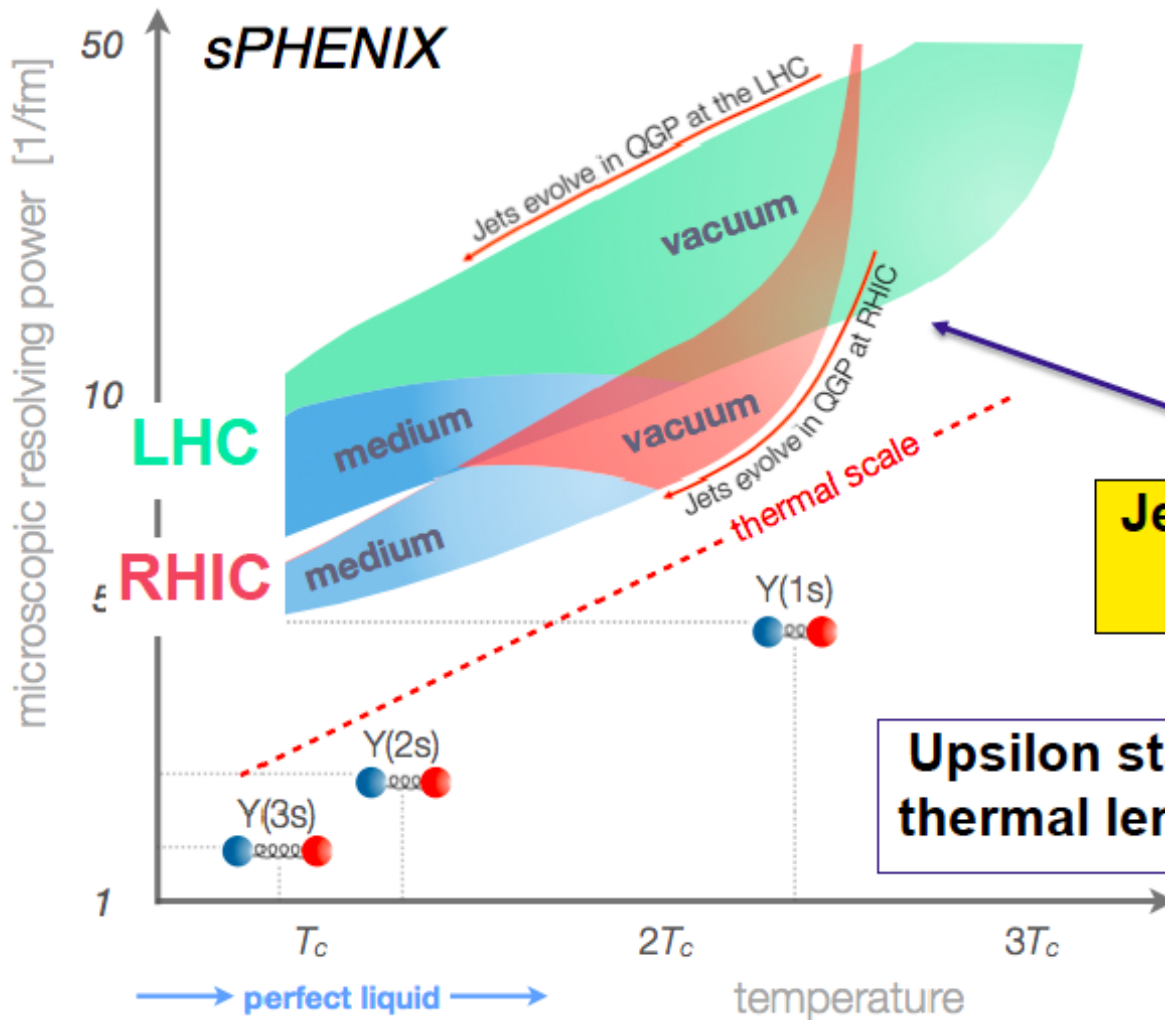
What degrees of freedom not manifest in the QCD Lagrangian produce the near-perfect liquidity of the QGP?

The answer:

Deploy probes in experiment with a resolution reaching well below the thermal scale ( $\sim 1$  fm ) of the QGP, i.e.

Jets & Upsilon states

# Probing Scales in the Medium



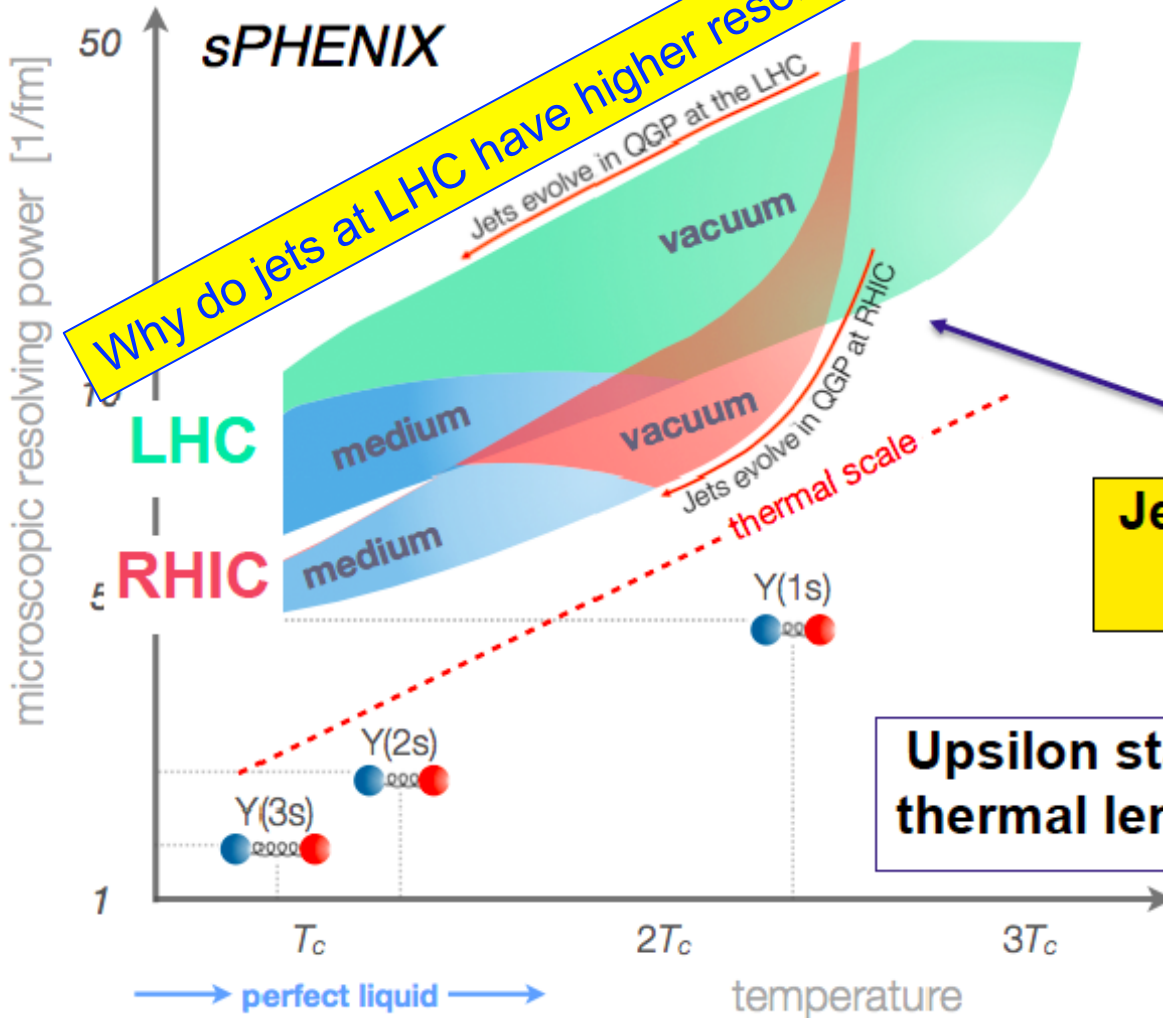
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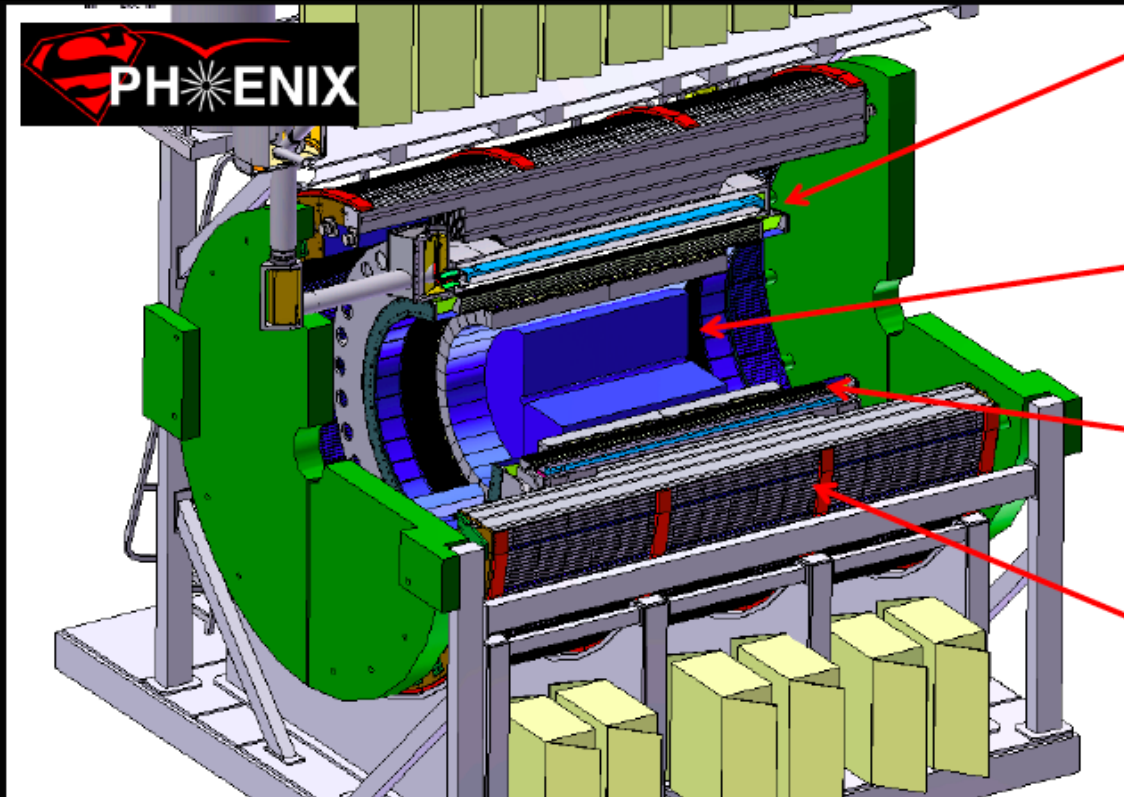
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To measure Jets & Upsilon states

arXiv:1501.06197

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BaBar Magnet 1.5 T

Coverage  $|\eta| < 1.1$

All silicon tracking (tbd)  
Heavy flavor tagging

Electromagnetic  
Calorimeter

Hadronic Calorimeter

High data acquisition rate capability, 15 kHz

Sampling 0.6 trillion Au+Au interactions in one-year

Maximizing efficiency of RHIC running



# Electron Ion Collider – a QCD Laboratory

Scientific American, May 2015

## In general:

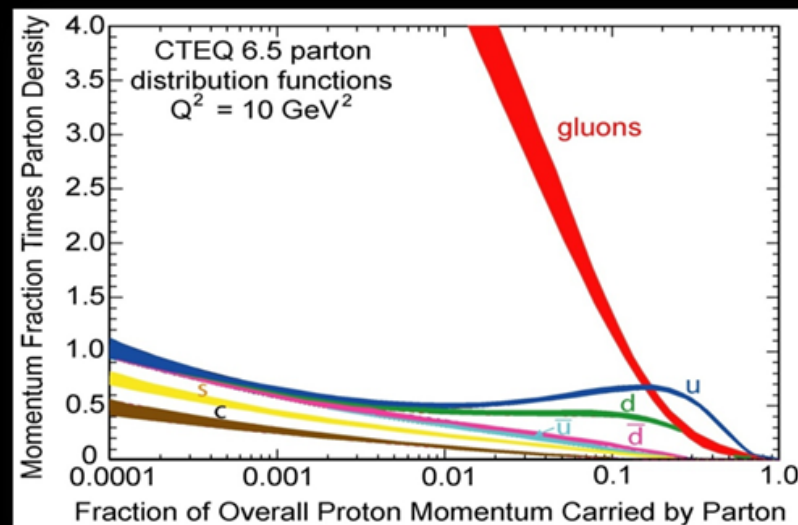
- HERA (1990's) discovered a huge abundance of soft gluons inside the proton. Role of gluons in nucleon structure and dynamics in general is unknown.
- The origin of nucleon spin and the distributions of quarks and gluons in nuclei are still mysteries after decades of study!



# Why We Need an Electron Ion Collider

## SCIENCE QUESTIONS:

- What is the transverse spatial and momentum structure of the gluons and sea quarks? Are there non-perturbative structures and can one image them?
- How much do the gluons contribute to the nucleon spin? Is there significant orbital angular momentum?
- How is the gluon distribution in nuclei different than in the nucleon? How does this relate to nuclear binding or short range nucleon-nucleon correlations?
- Can one find evidence for saturation of the gluon density? A CGC? →
- How do quarks and gluons propagate in nuclear matter and join together to form hadrons?

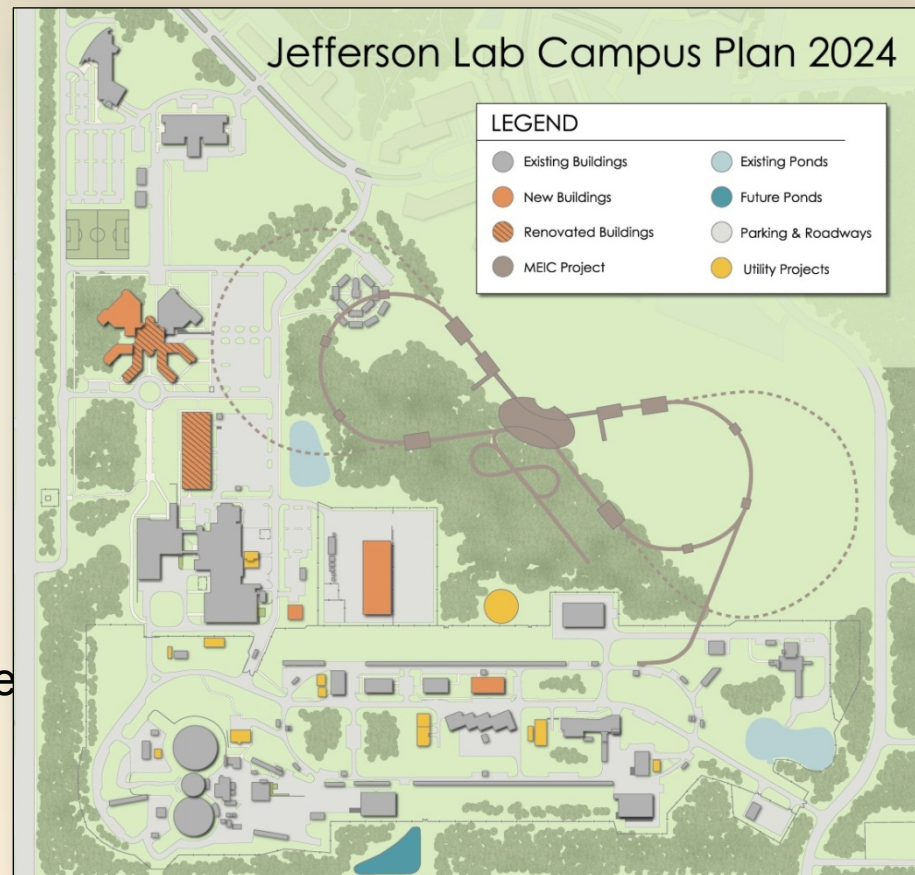
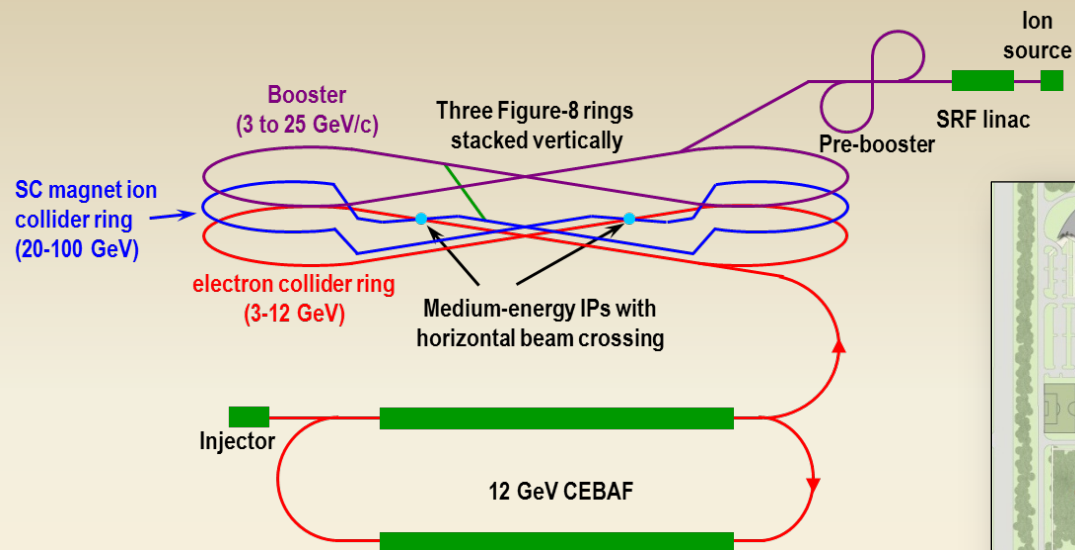


# Requirements of EIC

To answer these questions will requires a new versatile facility (never before available) with:

- Access to **very low  $x \sim 0.0001$** , which requires collisions of high energy electrons with high energy nucleons and nuclei.
- **Highly polarized beams of nucleons and light ions, and polarized electrons** to access the spin and orbital motion of the partons.
- **High luminosity** to enable 3D tomography of the distributions of partons.
- **Collisions of electrons with atomic nuclei, up to the heaviest available**, to provide information on the effect of the nuclear medium on the parton distributions as well as the properties of partons traversing the nuclear medium.

Also, there exists **new phenomenology** - Generalized Parton Distributions (GPDs) and Transverse Momentum Dependent (TMDs) distributions to “image” quarks and gluons and access orbital angular momentum.



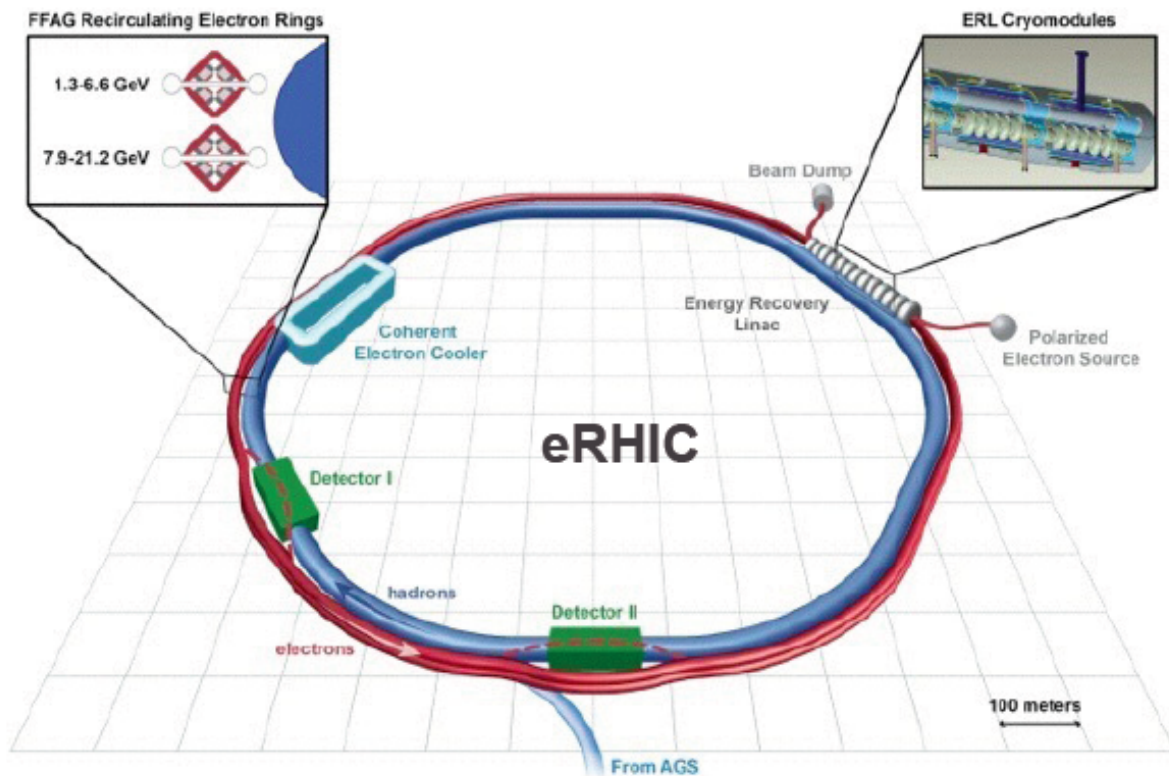
## JLab Concept

- Initial configuration (MEIC):
  - 3-12 GeV on 20-100 GeV ep/eA collider
  - Fully-polarized, longitudinal and transverse
  - Luminosity:
    - up to few  $\times 10^{34}$  e-nucleons  $\text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$
- Upgradable to higher energies
  - 250 GeV protons + 20 GeV electrons



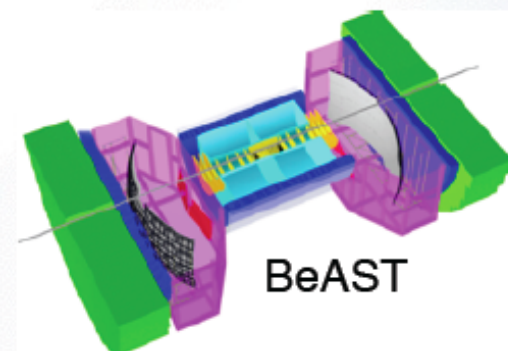
# EIC Design

eRHIC ERL + FFAG ring design @  $10^{33}/\text{cm}^2\text{s}$   
15.9 GeV  $e^-$  + 255 GeV p or 100 GeV/u Au.



**When completed, eRHIC will be the most advanced and energy efficient accelerator in the world**

## Detector Options



# Remaining BIG Questions for the Field!

- How does the system evolve and thermalize from its initial state?  
What is the initial state (Color-Glass Condensate?) → can we learn from pPb?
- Can we understand parton propagation & energy loss at a fundamental level?  
What can we learn about the response of the QGP?  
How does hadronization take place as the parton propagates?
- Can we understand quarkonium melting (suppression) at the basic level?  
Cold matter effects? Is the melting vs T consistent with LQCD?
- Can we determine properties of the QGP? e.g. :  $\eta/s$ , sound attenuation length, parton energy loss ( $\hat{q}$ ),  $\alpha_s(T)$ , formation time ( $\tau_f$ ), excited modes, ....EOS?
- Is the QCD Phase Diagram featureless above  $T_c$ ?  
→ Low energy RHIC, FAIR & NICA      What is the coupling strength vs T....?
- Are there new phenomena, new states of matter?  $\chi$ -sym. restoration?....
- Can there be new developments in theory? (lattice, hydro, parton E-loss, string theory...) and understanding.....across fields.....?
- Did not go into detail about the pPb, dAu data where similar “flow” effects seen!  
This is not understood! Hydro? What is the smallest droplet of QGP possible?



# *The Future of High Energy Density QCD is Bright!*



*Thanks for your Attention*