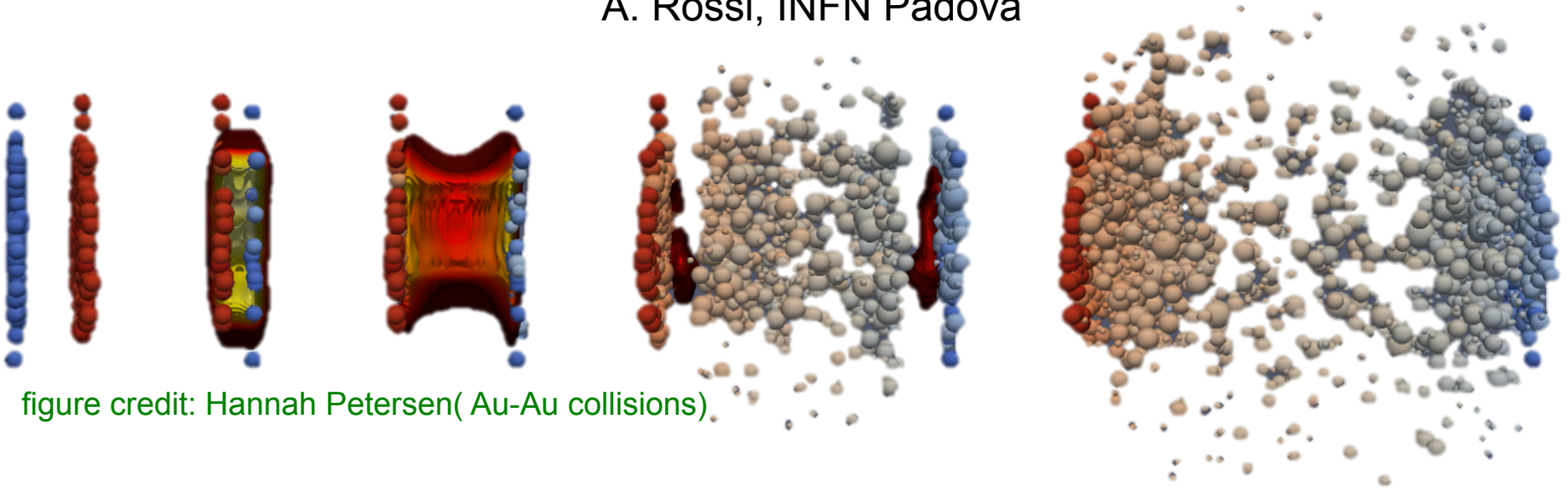
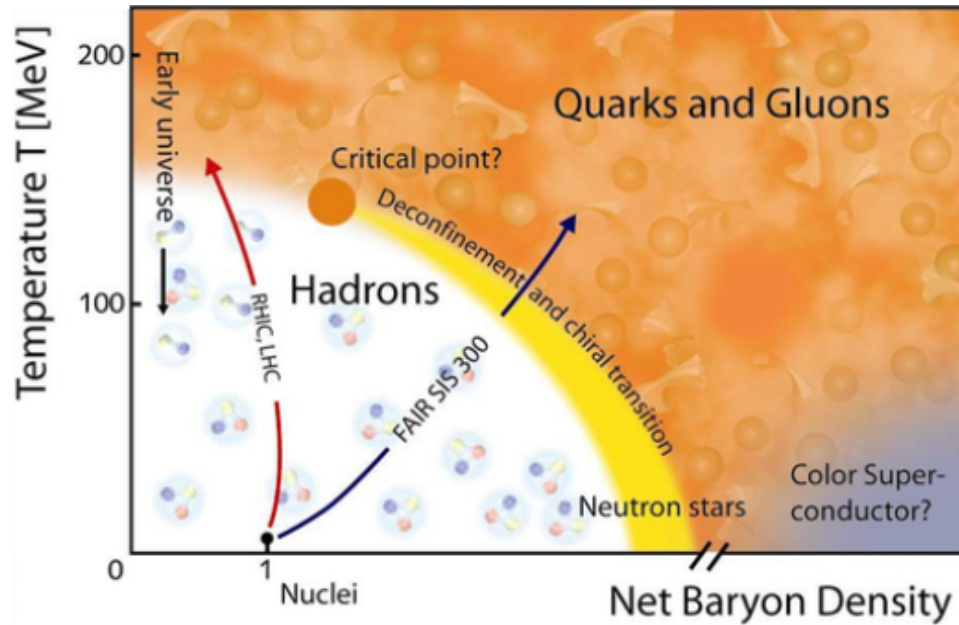


# Quark-Gluon Plasma: experimental overview -- selected topics --

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# Phase diagram of strongly-interacting (QCD) matter



At **high energy density  $\epsilon$**  (high temperature and/or high density) hadronic matter undergoes a **phase transition to the Quark-Gluon Plasma (QGP)**: a state in which colour confinement is removed

**Phase transition: confined state  $\rightarrow$  deconfined state**

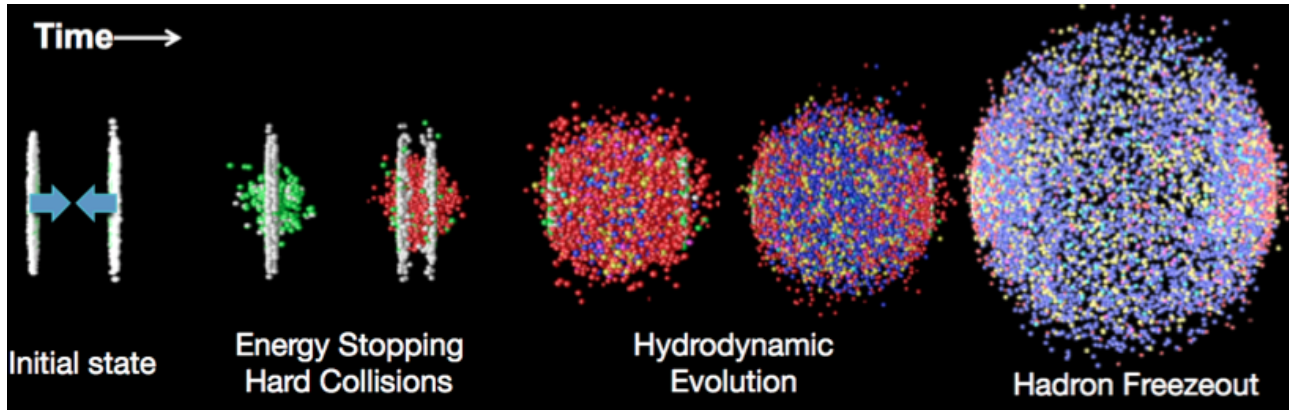
Lattice QCD calculations:

**Critical temperature at 0 baryon density  $\sim 155$  MeV**

**Critical energy density  $\epsilon_c \sim 1$  GeV/fm<sup>3</sup>  $\sim 6-7 \epsilon_{\text{nucleus}}$**

# QGP in laboratory: nucleus-nucleus collisions

- Can we form the QGP in laboratory? Need to compress/heat matter to very high energy densities.



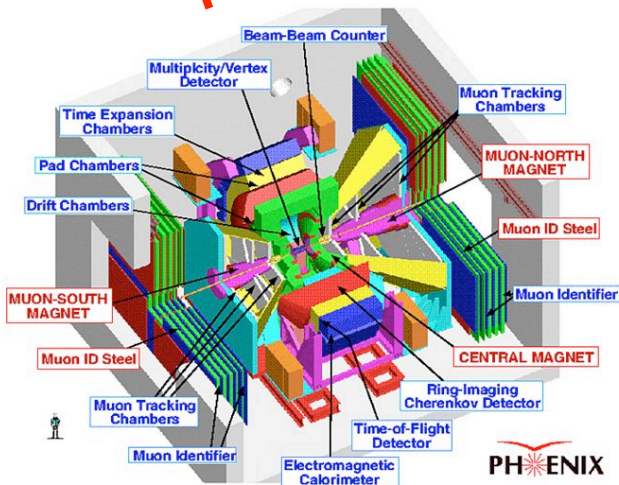
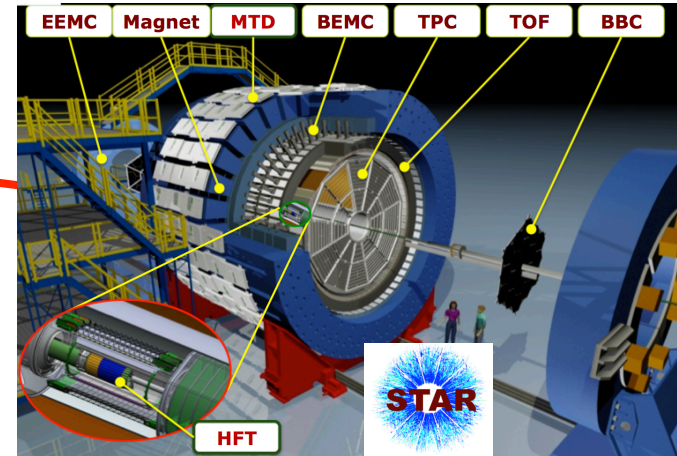
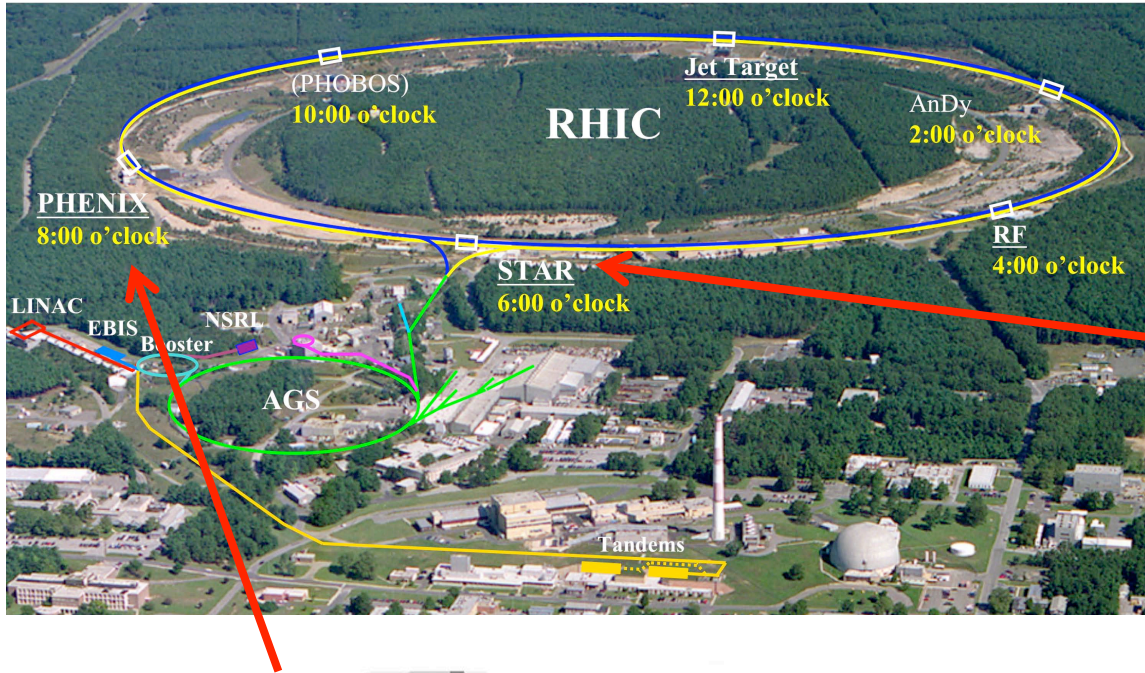
- By colliding two heavy nuclei at ultra-relativistic energies we recreate, for a short time span (about  $10^{-23}$  s, or a few fm/c) the conditions for deconfinement
- As the system expands and cools down it undergoes a phase transition from QGP to hadron again, like at the beginning of the life of the Universe: we end up with confined matter again
- **Chemical freeze out:** time at which inelastic interactions cease  
→ abundances of particle species ( $\pi, K, p, \dots$  yields, not resonance ) are fixed
- **Kinetic freeze out:** all interactions cease → free streaming of particles to detector

# Ultra-relativistic heavy-ion accelerators

-- only main collision systems are indicated --

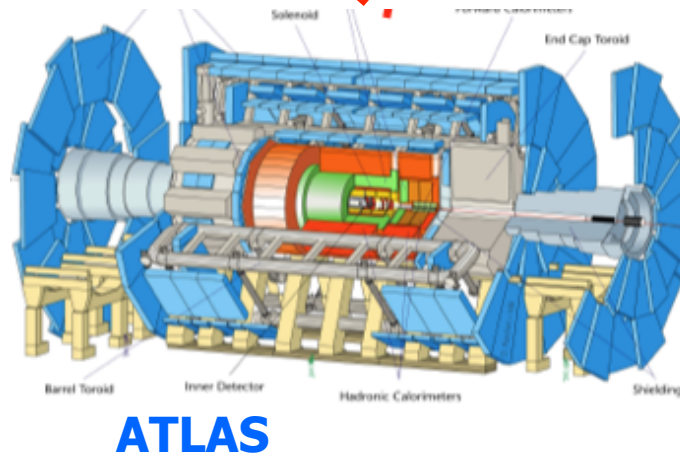
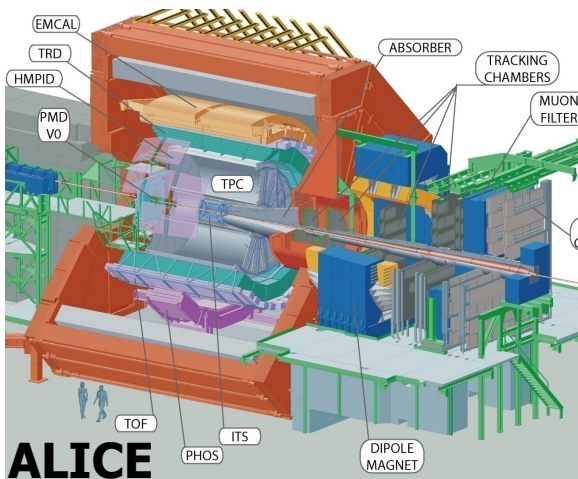
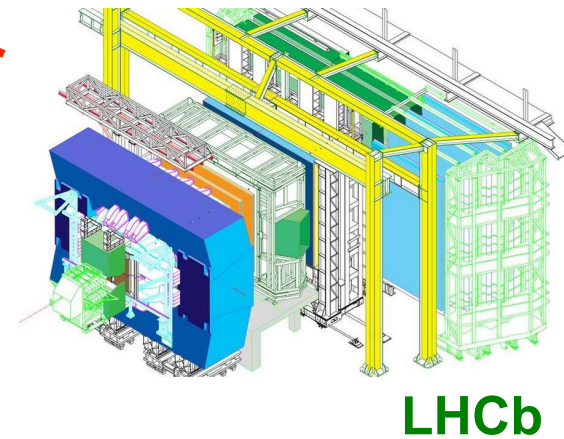
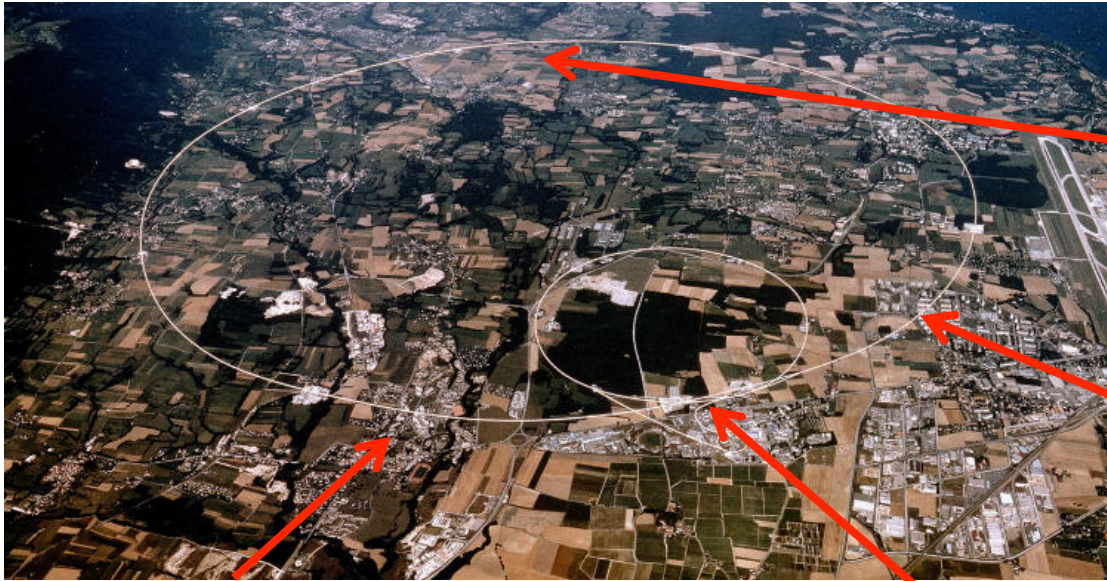
- **BNL-AGS**, early '90s, Au-Au up to  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5$  GeV
- **CERN-SPS**, from 1994, Pb-Pb up to  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 17$  GeV
- **BNL-RHIC**, from 2000, Au-Au  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 8 - 200$  GeV
- **CERN-LHC**, from 2010, Pb-Pb  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76 - 5.5$  TeV

# Heavy-ion experiments at RHIC



+ (completed) PHOBOS, BRAHMS

# Heavy-ion experiments at the LHC



# Few introductory concepts: centrality, $R_{AA}$

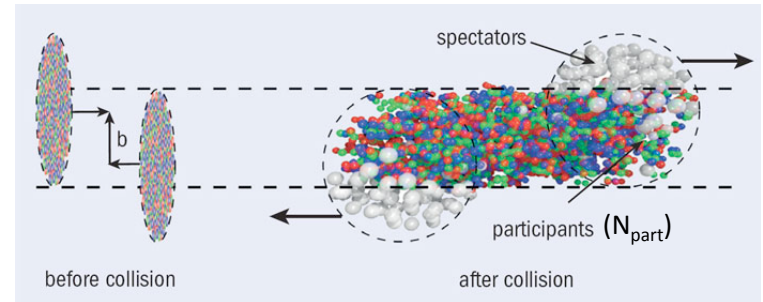
**Nuclear modification factor ( $R_{AA}$ ):** compare particle production in Pb-Pb with that in pp scaled by a “geometrical” factor (from Glauber model) to account for the larger number of nucleon-nucleon collisions

$$R_{AA}(p_T) = \frac{dN_{AA} / dp_T}{\langle N_{coll} \rangle \times dN_{pp} / dp_T}$$

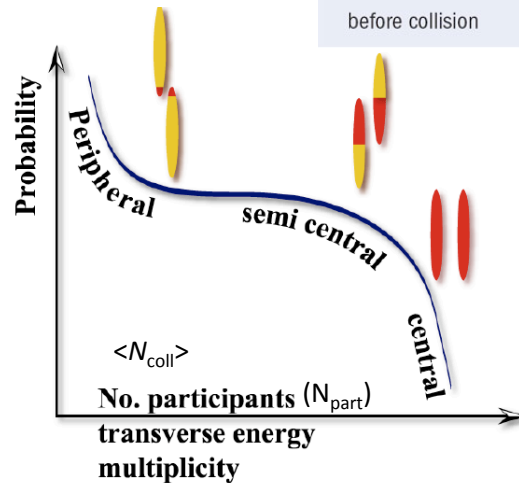
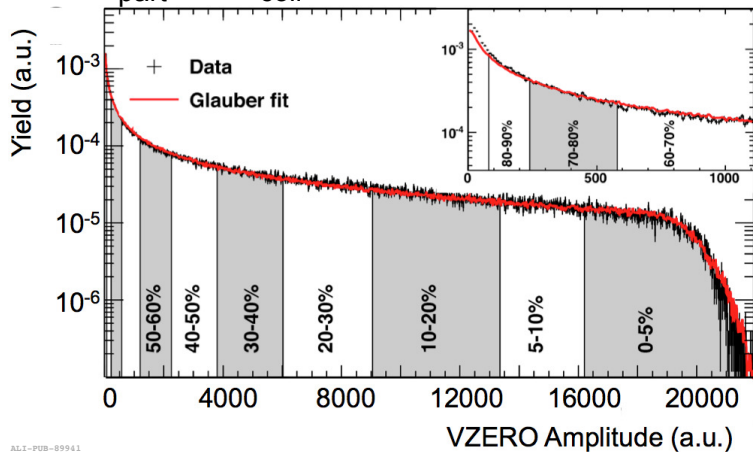
Pb-Pb      PP

Binary nucleon-nucleon collisions, encodes collision geometry

If  $R_{AA}=1 \rightarrow$  no nuclear effects  
 If  $R_{AA} \neq 1 \rightarrow$  nuclear effects



$\langle N_{part} \rangle, \langle N_{coll} \rangle$  from Glauber model



$\sim$  particle multiplicity/deposited energy

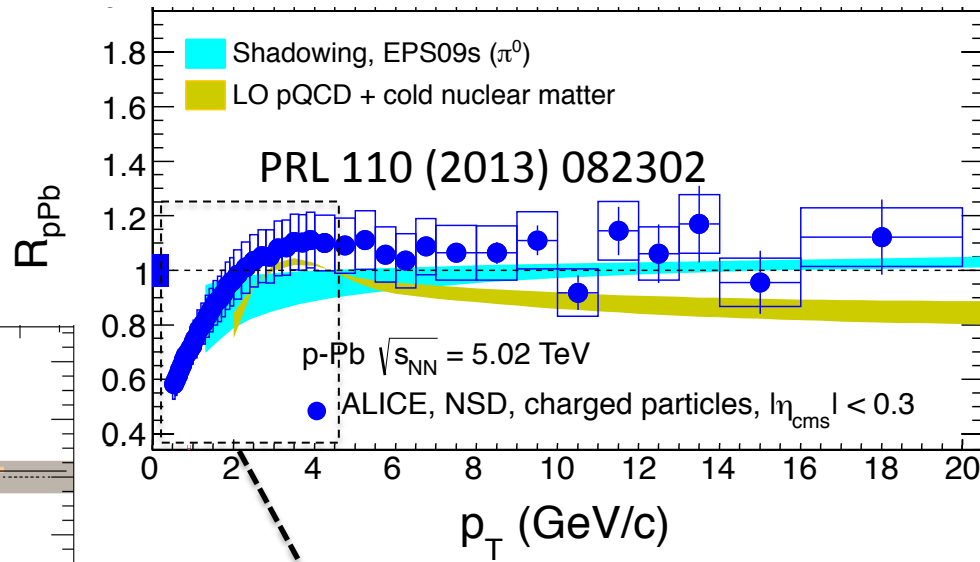
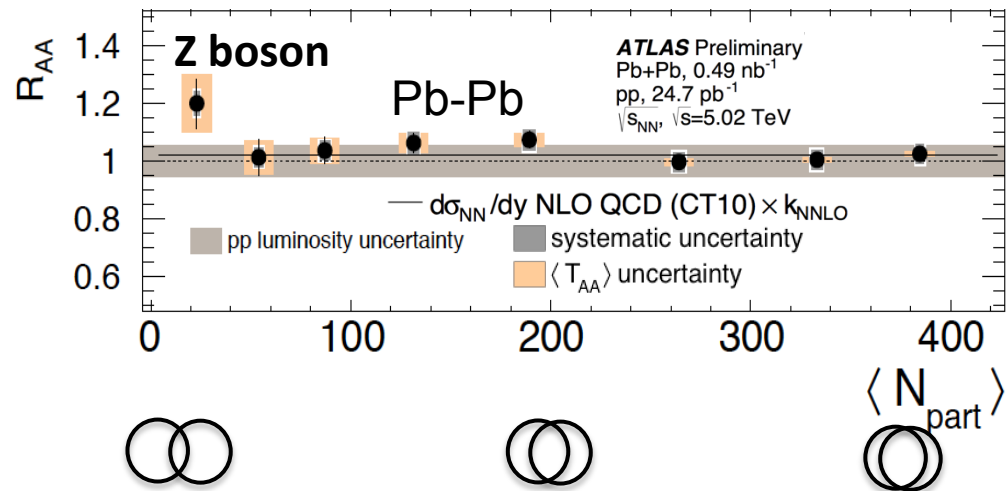
# Geometry of heavy ion collisions

How can we be sure that we have the collision geometry under control?

Smaller/simpler collision systems (QGP not formed / not big impact on hard-probes production)



Probes not sensitive to medium formation  
 → electroweak signals ( $\gamma, W, Z$  bosons)



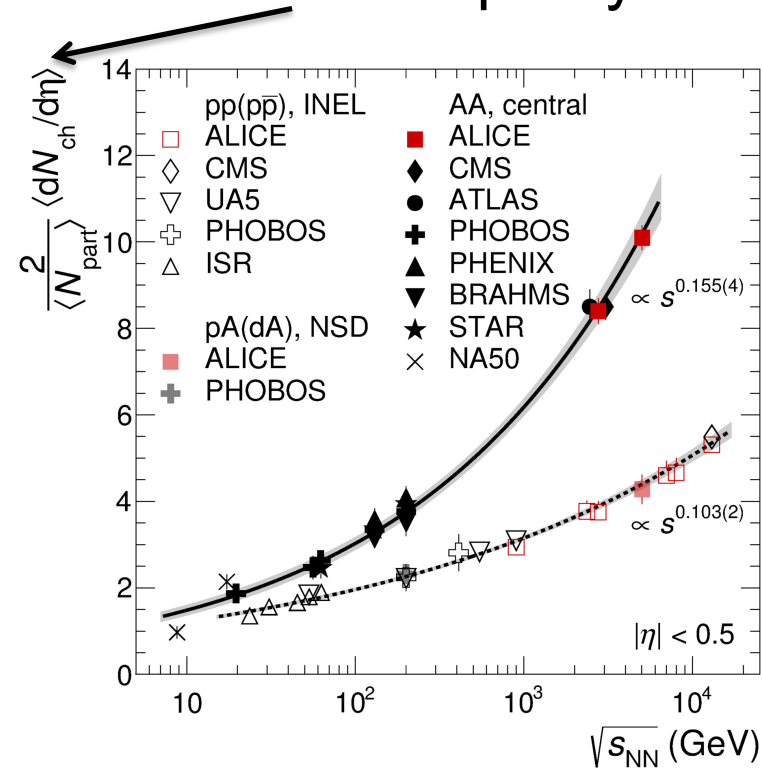
Caveats: initial state/ cold-nuclear matter effects at low  $p_T$



# Medium global properties

# Energy density

- Particle multiplicity at mid-rapidity  $\rightarrow$  transverse energy density



Bjorken formula:

$$\varepsilon = \frac{E}{V} = \frac{1}{S c \tau_0} \left. \frac{dE_T}{dy} \right|_{y=0}$$

$S$  = transverse dimension of nucleus

$\tau_0$  = "formation time"  $\sim 1$  fm/c

	SPS	RHIC	LHC
$\left. \frac{dE_T}{dy} \right _{y=0}$ (GeV) *	400	800	2000

$\varepsilon$ (GeV/fm <sup>3</sup> ) *	2.5	5	12
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\*Indicative numbers

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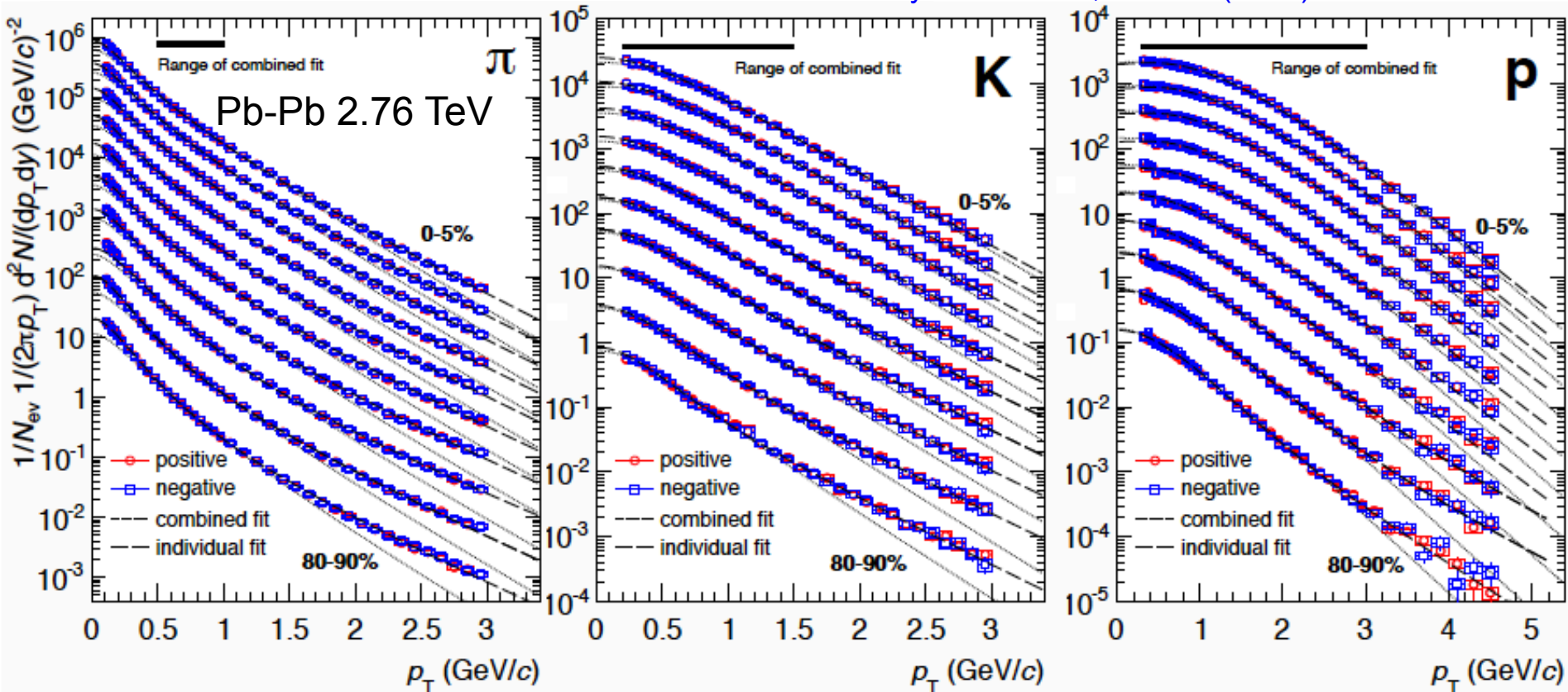
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More than enough for deconfinement!

$$\varepsilon_c \sim 0.6 \text{ GeV/fm}^3$$

# Kinetic freeze-out temperature

Phys. Rev. C 88, 044910 (2013)

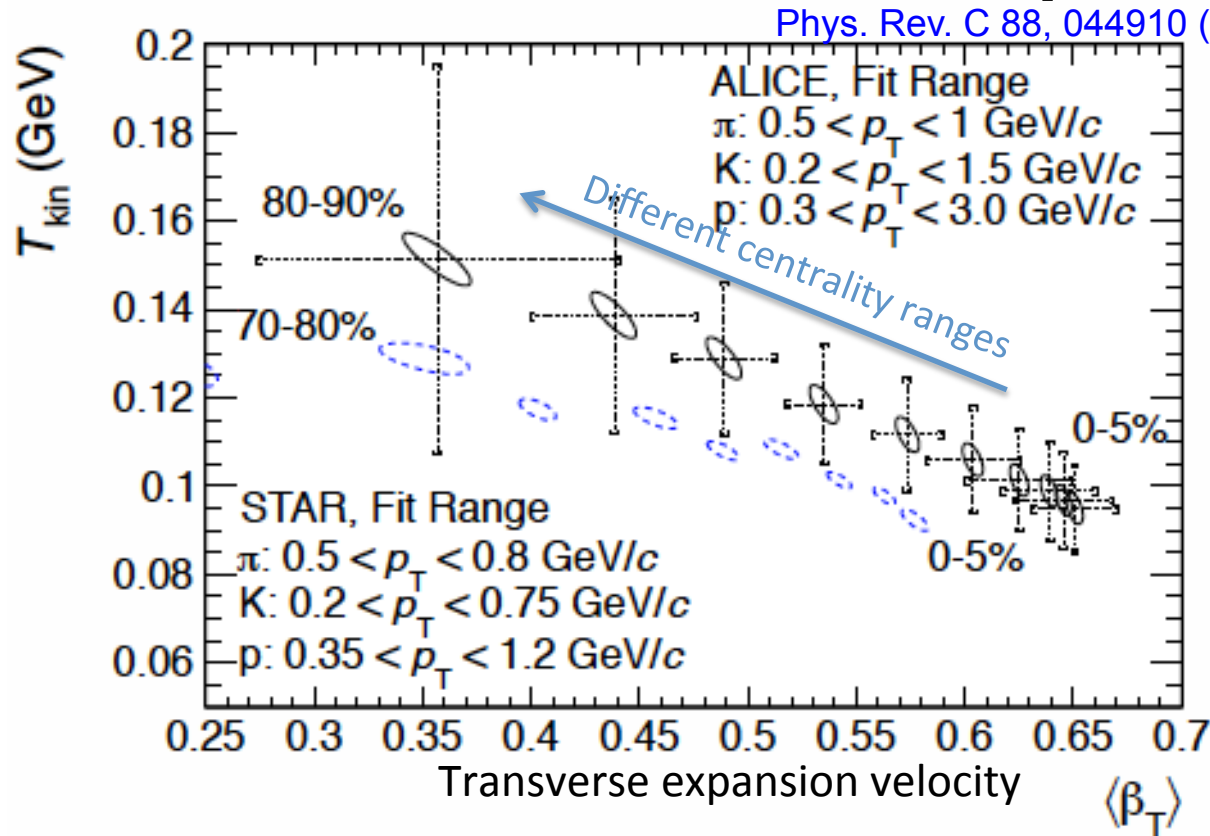


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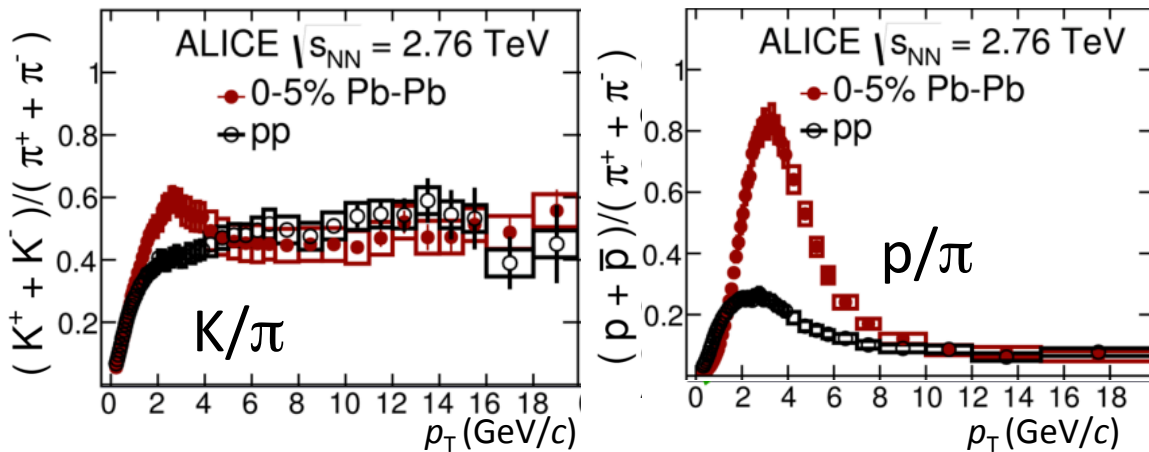


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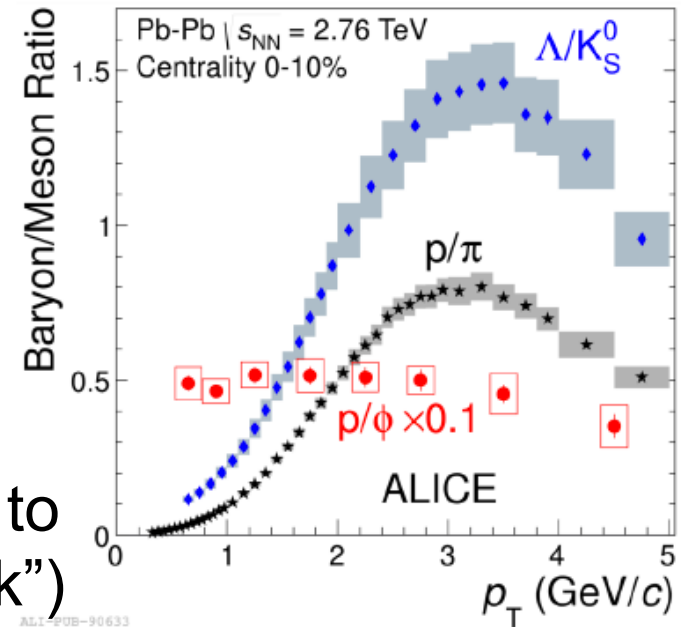
- Goodness of the global fit  $\rightarrow$  hydro-dynamical description holds
- In central collisions at LHC:  $T_{\text{kin}} \sim 90$  MeV, transverse expansion velocity  $\sim 0.65 c$

# Particle ratios

Phys. Rev. C 93, 034913 (2016)



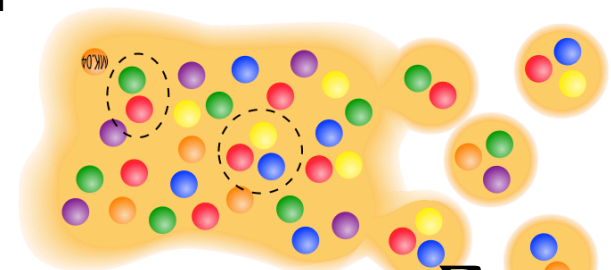
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Strong modification of  $p/\pi$  vs.  $p_T$  from pp to central Pb-Pb collisions (“radial flow peak”)

Indication of collective behaviour

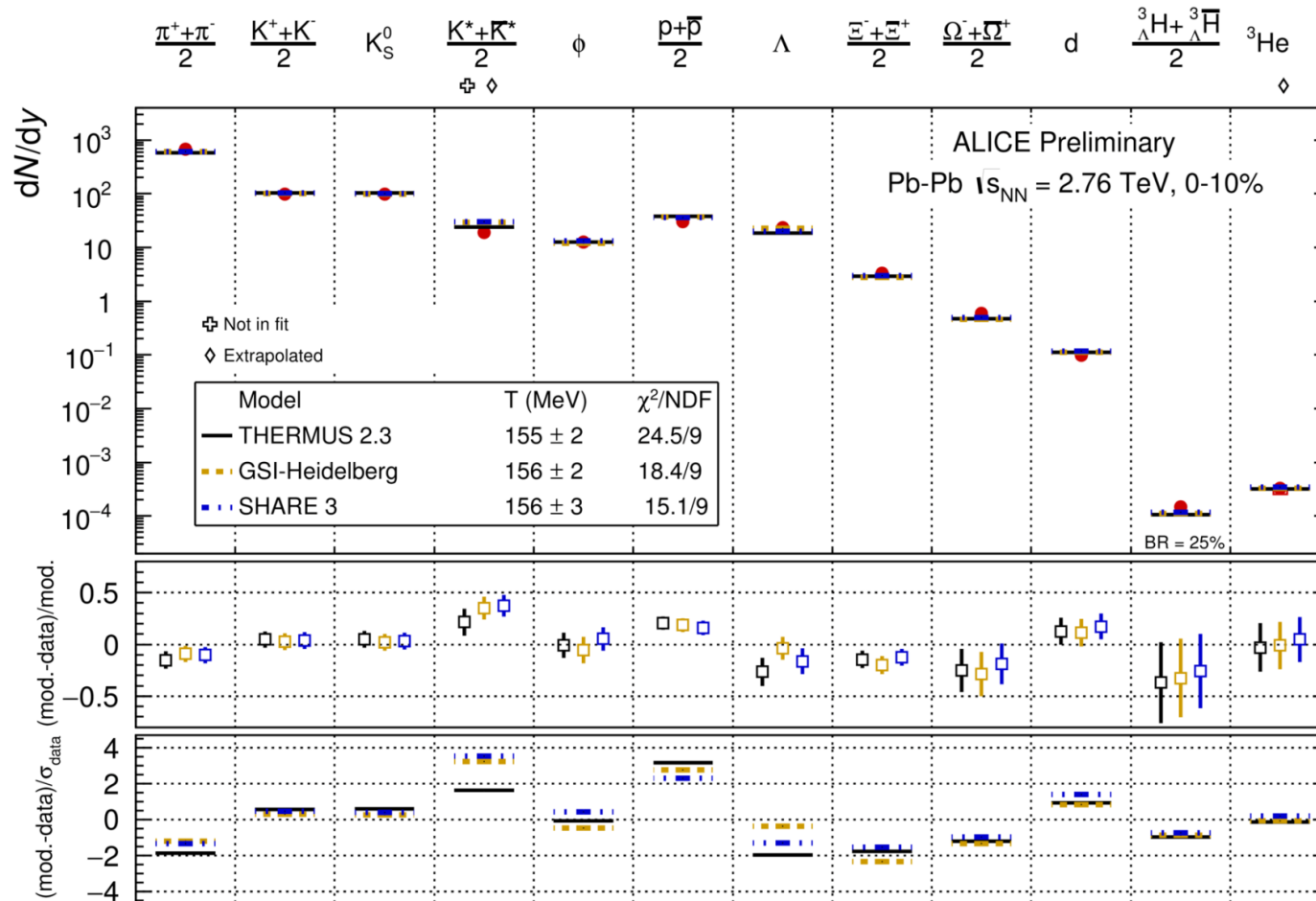
- Pressure gradients leads to radial flow
- Same “velocity” boost gives larger momentum to heavier particles
- Alternative/concurrent explanation: hadronisation via quark coalescence  $\rightarrow$  higher momentum for baryons (3 quarks) than mesons (2 quarks): challenged by  $\phi/p$  ratio



$$p(qqq) > p(qq) \leftarrow \vec{p} = \sum_{\text{quarks}} \vec{p}_i$$

# Thermal model and chemical freeze-out temperature

Chemical freeze-out temperature estimated from **relative particle abundances**  
 Model assuming statistical hadronization: particle abundances determined by their mass and quantum numbers (spin) at by system properties ( $T_{ch}, u_B, \dots$ )

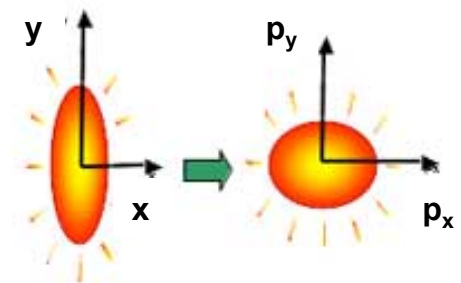
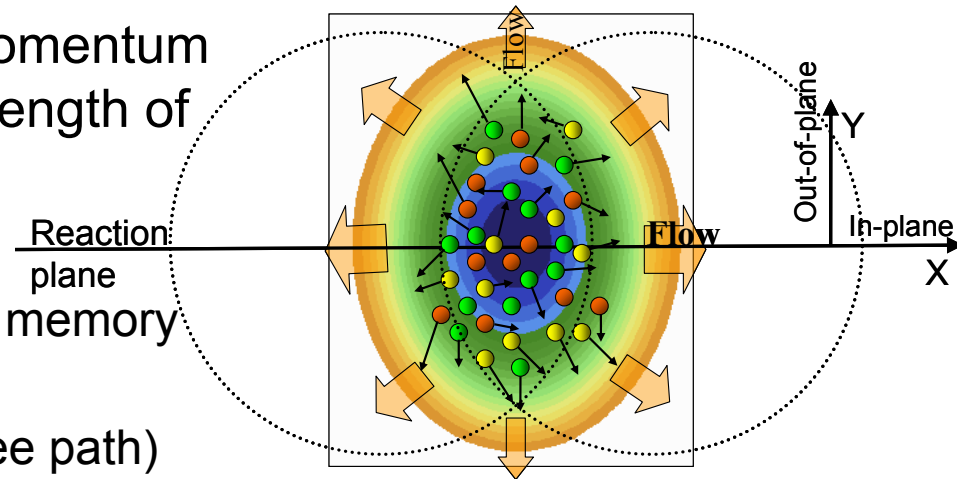


Hadron yields described assuming chemical equilibrium and  $T_{ch} \sim 156$  MeV  $\rightarrow$  close to lattice QCD

Some tension for protons and  $K^*$

# Anisotropic (Elliptic) flow

- Non-central collisions are azimuthally asymmetric
  - The transfer of this asymmetry to momentum space provides a measure of the strength of collective phenomena
- Large mean free path
  - particles stream out isotropically, no memory of the asymmetry
  - extreme: ideal gas (infinite mean free path)
- Small mean free path (← low viscosity)
  - larger density gradient → larger pressure gradient → larger momentum
  - extreme: ideal liquid (zero mean free path, hydrodynamic limit)



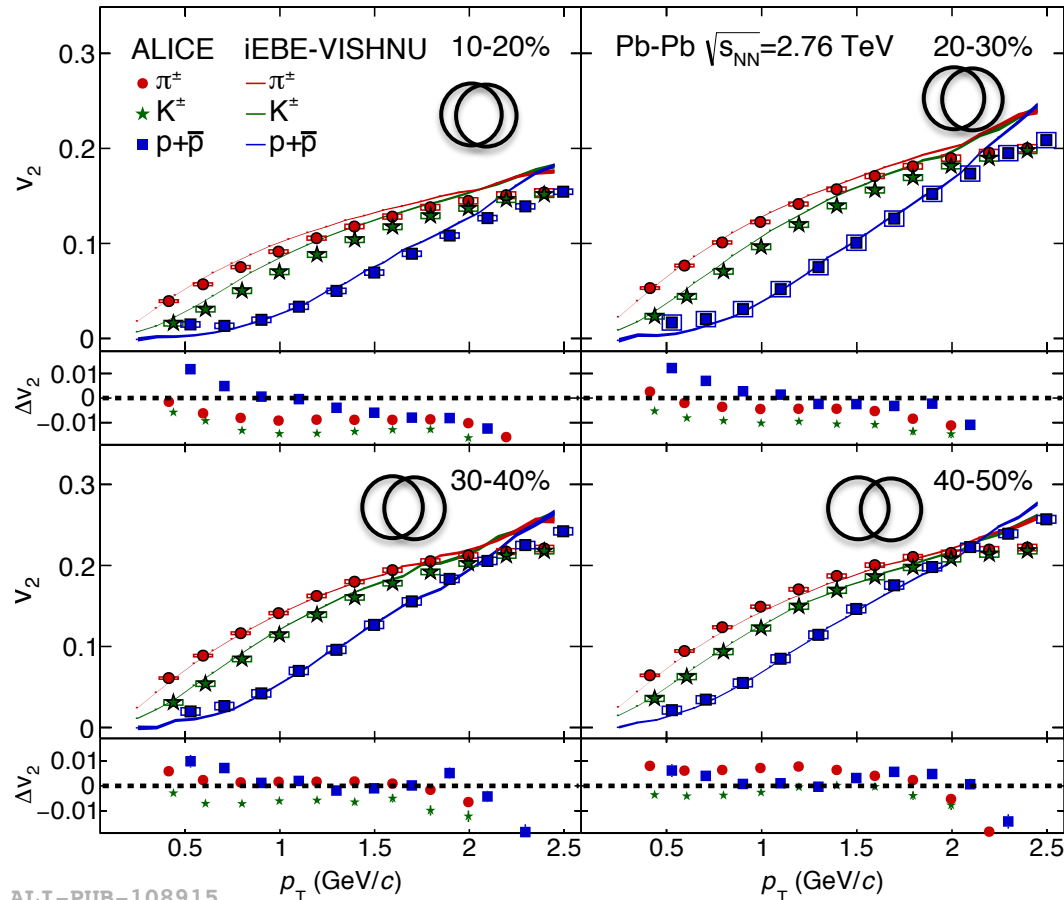
Effects addressed by measuring the azimuthal distribution of the particles

$$\frac{dN}{p_T dp_T dy d\phi} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{dN}{p_T dp_T dy} (1 + 2v_1 \cos(\phi) + 2v_2 \cos(2\phi) + \dots)$$

**$v_2$  = Elliptic flow**

# Anisotropic (Elliptic) flow

Points= data curves=model



## Elliptic flow ( $v_2$ ) significantly $> 0$

- Evidence of system collective motion
- “Early signal”: develops in partonic phase
- Well described by hydrodynamical models
- Expected trends vs. particle mass

→ **Thermalized partonic system**  
 → (via more detailed comparisons with models) **Data suggest very low viscosity** (← small mean free path)

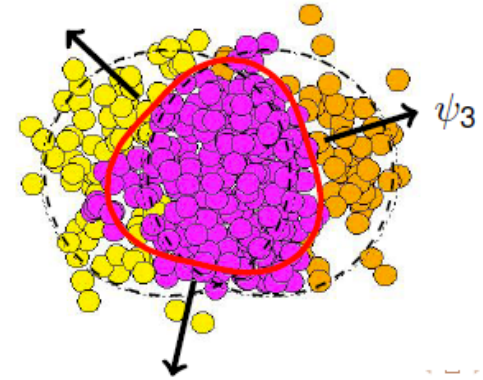
System behaves as  $\sim$ perfect liquid (the RHIC “paradigm”)



# Constraining further viscosity: higher harmonics

## Initial geometry is not an ideal almond shape

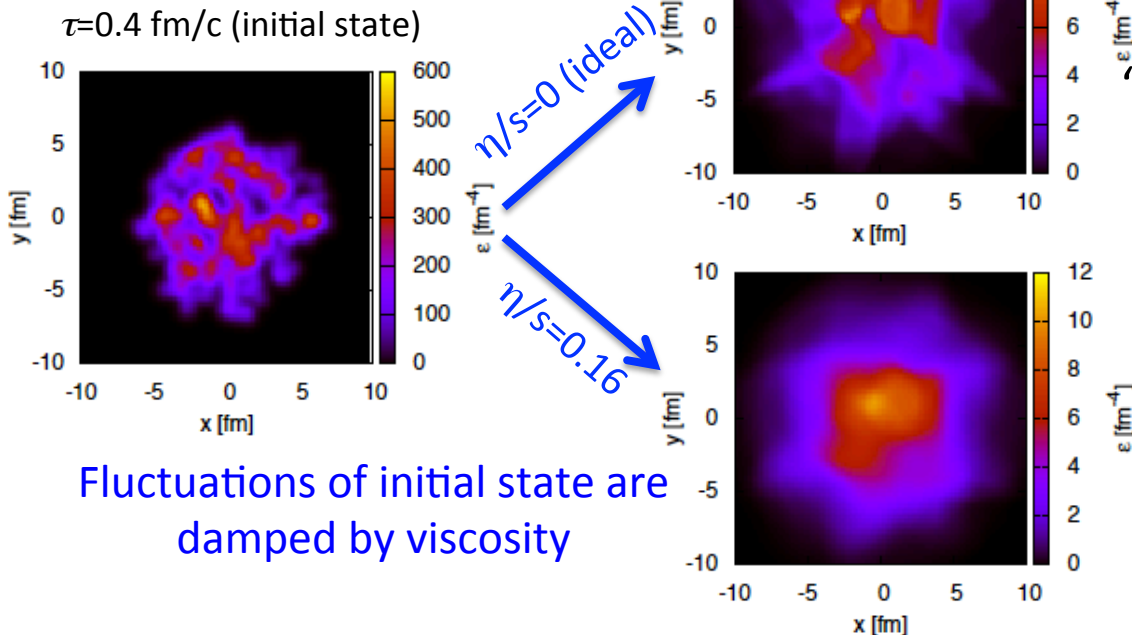
- Fluctuations of initial energy/pressure distributions lead to “irregular” shapes ( $\rightarrow$  need more harmonics to describe them) that fluctuate event-by-event



## Simulation of energy density evolution

(ideal and viscous hydro)

Schenke, Jeon, Gale, PRL 106:042301,2011

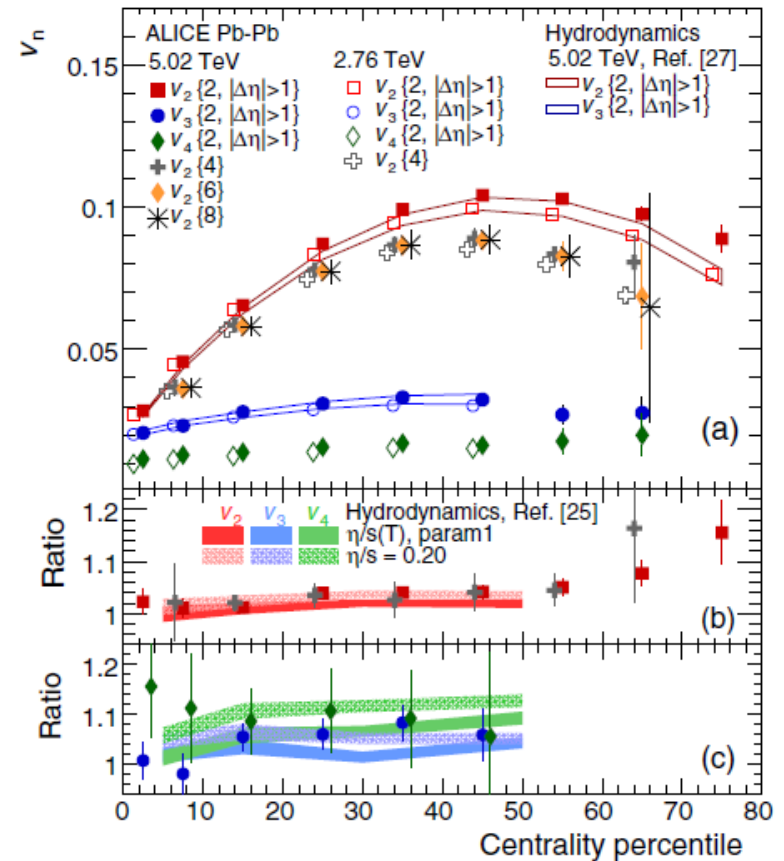
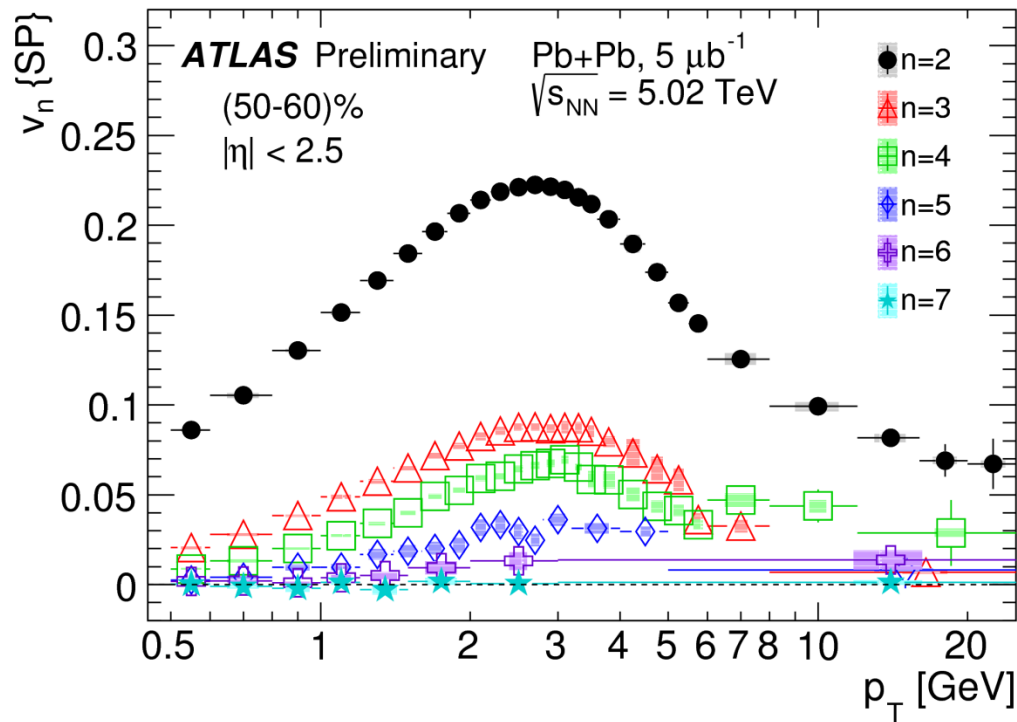


Fluctuations of initial state are damped by viscosity

**Viscosity** determines the “conversion efficiency” of the initial shape into final momentum azimuthal distribution

**Higher harmonics add sensitivity to the value of shear viscosity**

# Constraining further viscosity: higher harmonics



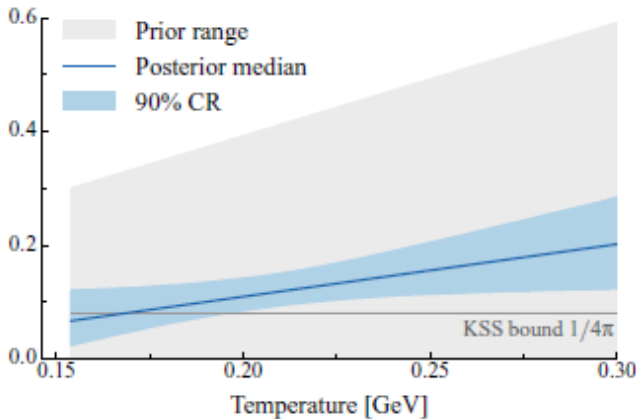
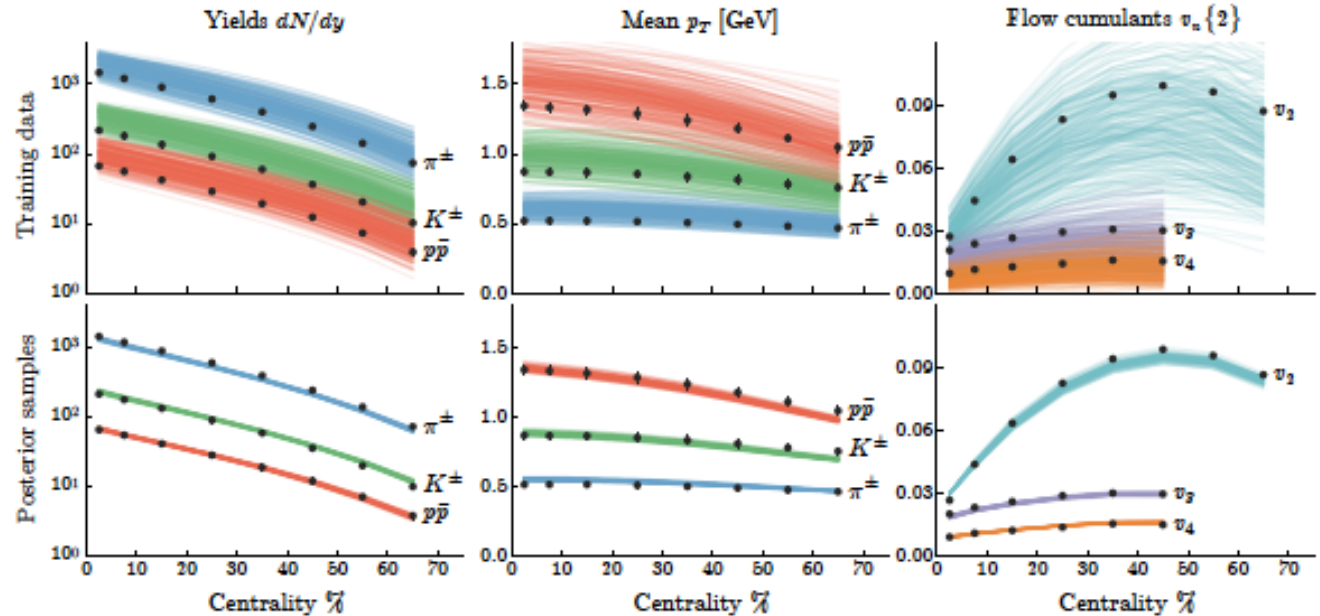
Higher-harmonic coefficients significantly non-zero  
 $\rightarrow$  discriminate and constraint models

# Constraining further viscosity: example with a model

J. E. Bernhard et al. Phys. Rev. C 94, 024907 (2016)

9 parameters: 3 initial state, 4 for QGP response, 2 model parameters

Particle yields,  $\langle p_T \rangle$ ,  
flow coefficients used to  
calibrate the model  
parameters to reproduce  
data



Bayes method used to extract probability distribution for the true values of the parameters

**Main results: viscosity vs. temperature**  
**QGP viscosity very low**  
**(lower than any atomic matter)**

High-energy probes → microscopic processes (local interactions) in the medium

# Quarkonium suppression & regeneration

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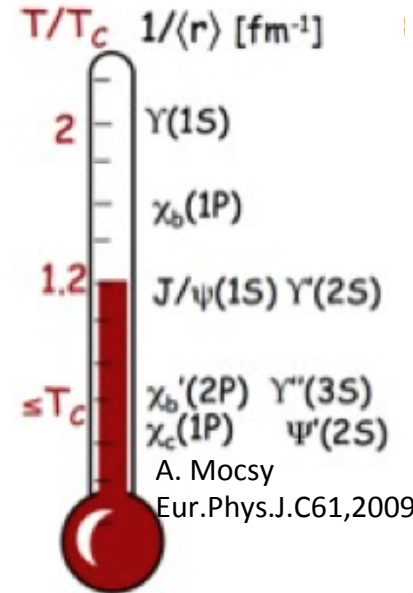
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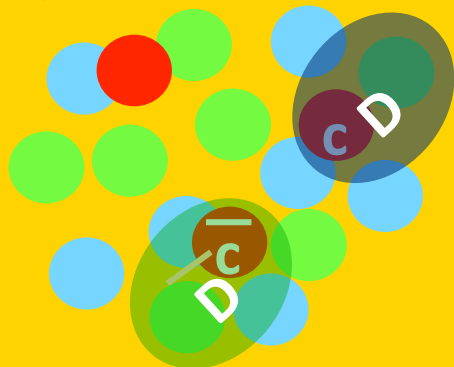
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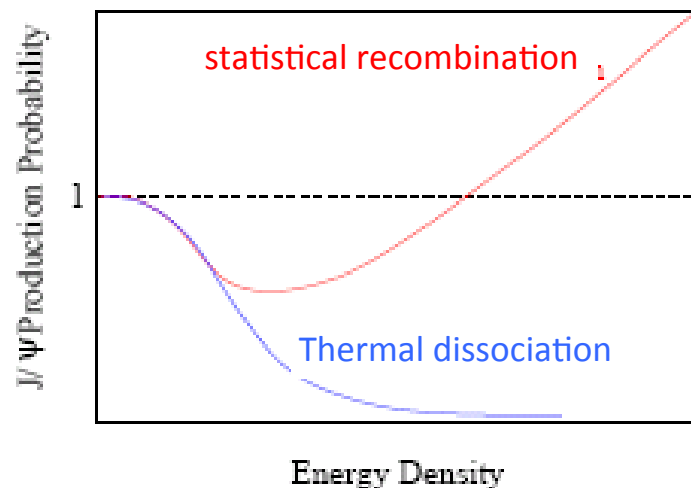
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Low  $\sqrt{s}$



Animation from R. Araldi



## LHC vs. RHIC

Larger energy density

→ **stronger suppression**

Higher  $c\bar{c}$  multiplicity

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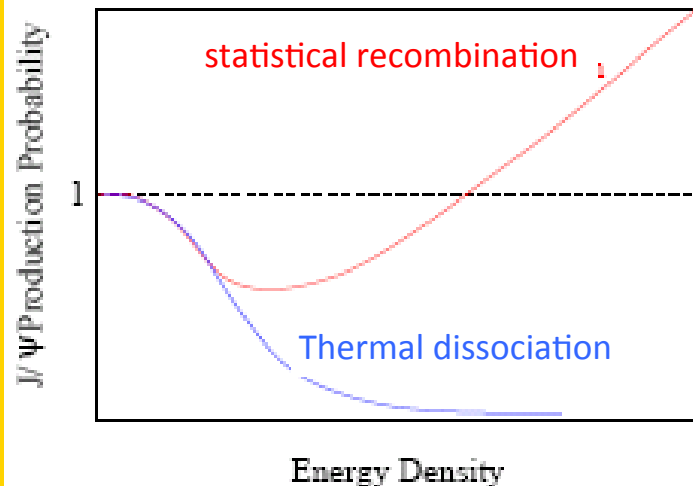
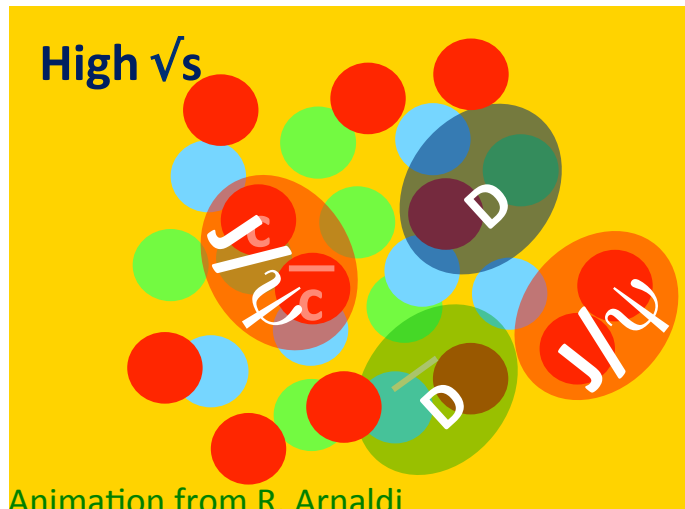
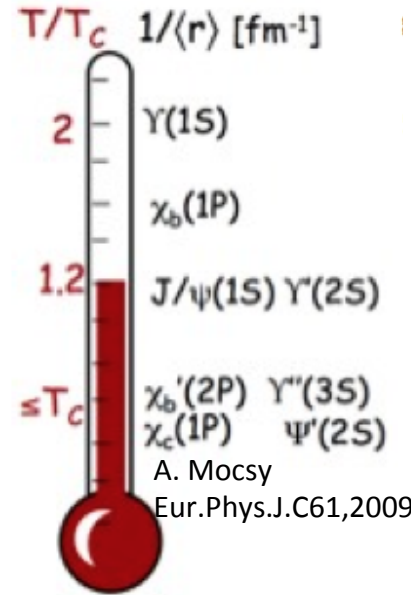
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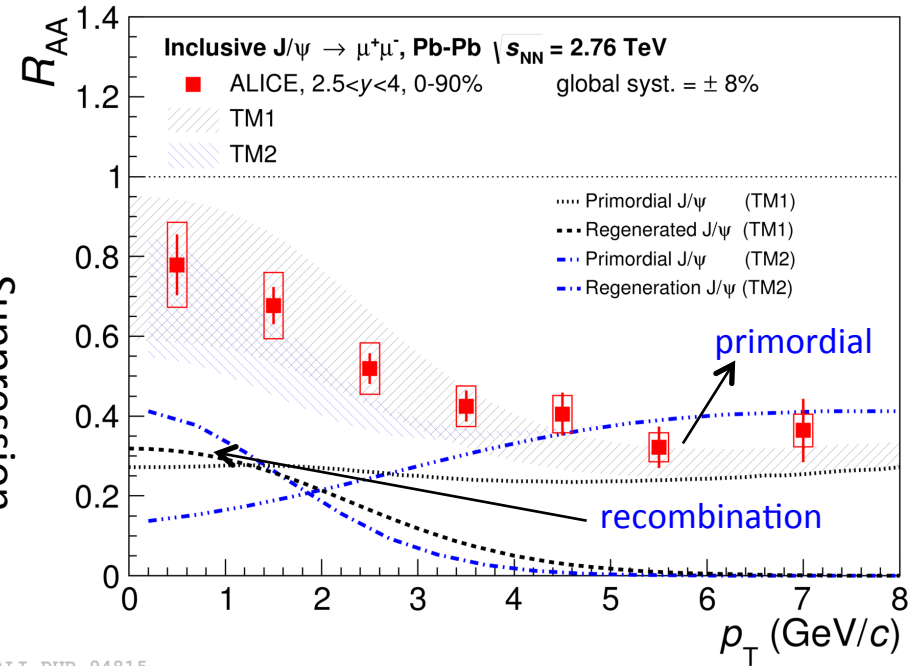
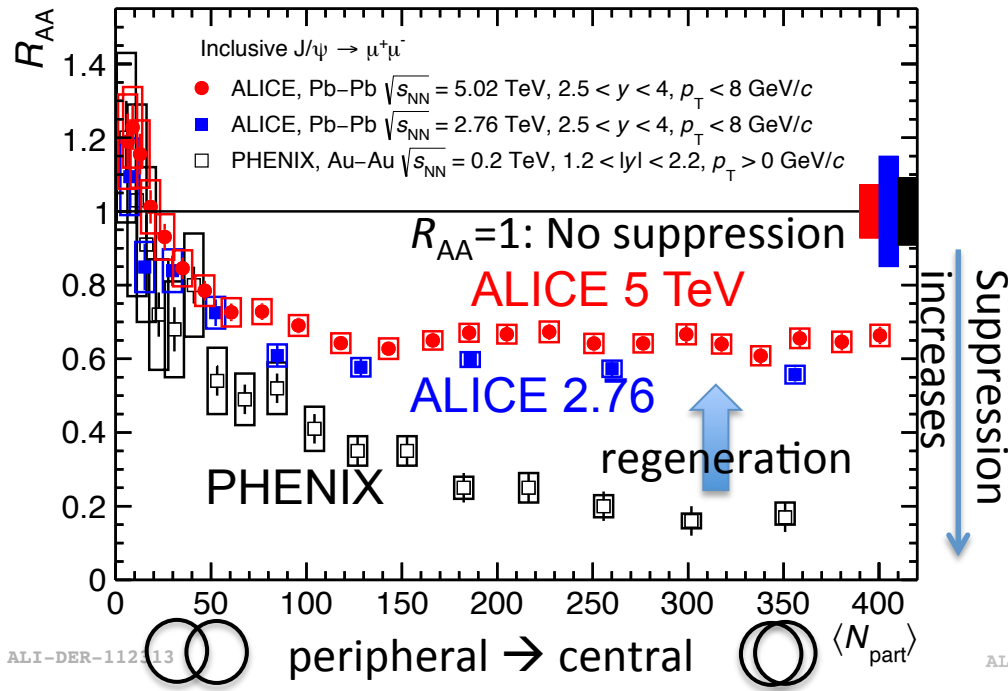
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# J/ψ suppression: LHC vs. RHIC

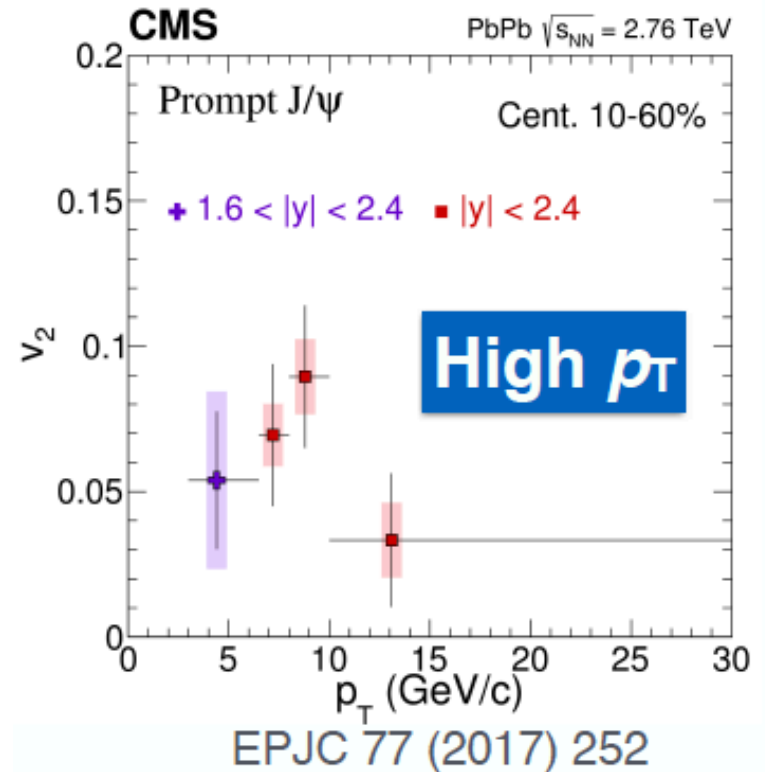
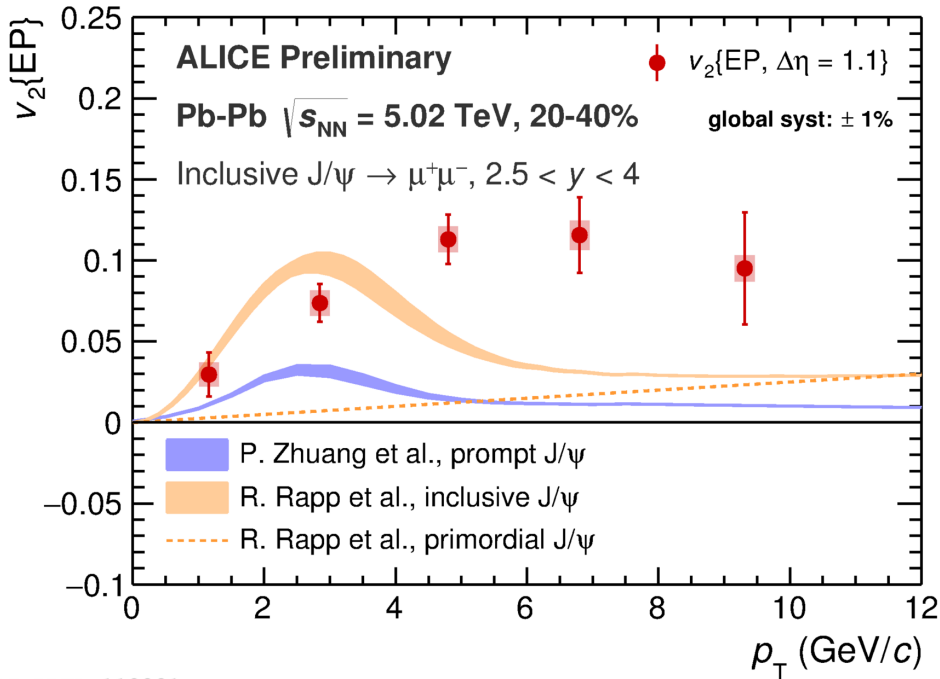
More in R. Araldi's talk



- $J/\psi$  suppression stronger in central events than peripheral
- Smaller suppression at LHC than RHIC
- Analysis vs. transverse momentum: suppression stronger at higher momentum. In agreement with models expecting about 50% contribution of  $J/\psi$  from recombination at low  $p_T$ .

**“Twice a signature of QGP”**

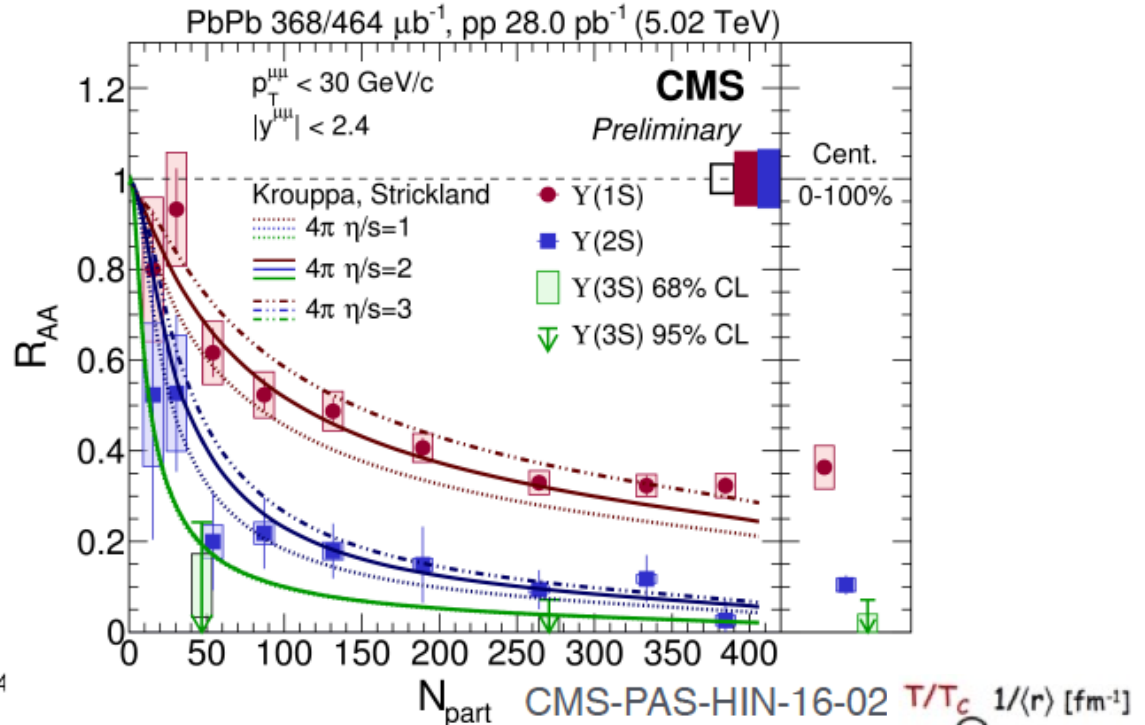
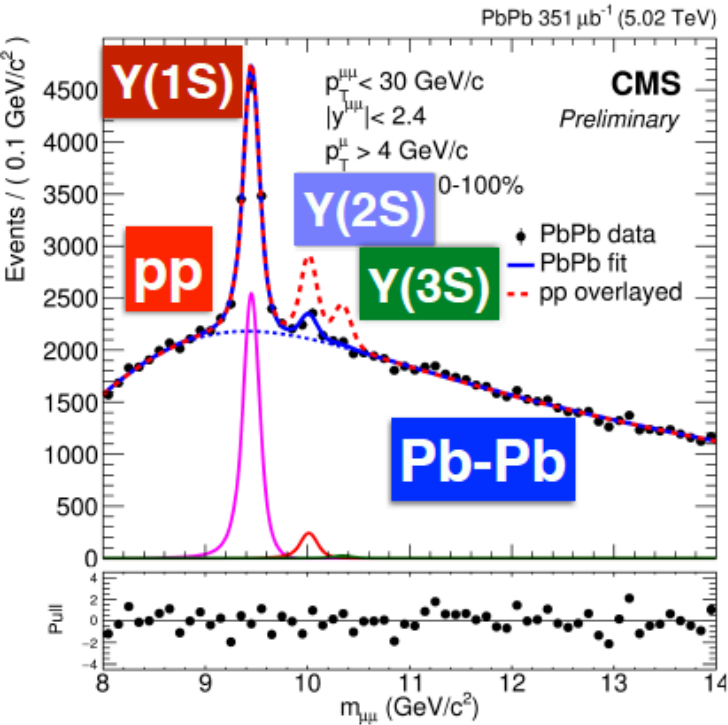
# J/ψ elliptic flow



Positive J/ψ elliptic flow  
 Expected for J/ψ from recombination  
 Remains high at high p<sub>T</sub> → not expected from models

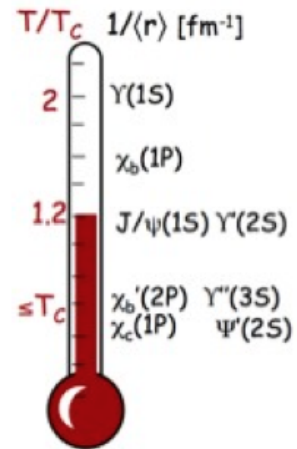


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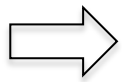
- **Y(1s)** ( $E_{\text{binding}} \sim 1100 \text{ MeV}$ ), **Y(2s)** and **Y(3s)** ( $E_b \sim 200 \text{ MeV}$ ) have different sensitivity to the medium
- Strong suppression of **Y(2s,3s)** with respect to **Y(1s)** increasing with centrality

→ Trend expected from “sequential suppression”



# QGP tomography with high-energy partons

- Early production in hard-scattering processes with high  $Q^2$
- Production cross sections calculable with pQCD
- Strongly interacting with the medium

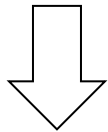


## “Calibrated probes” of the medium

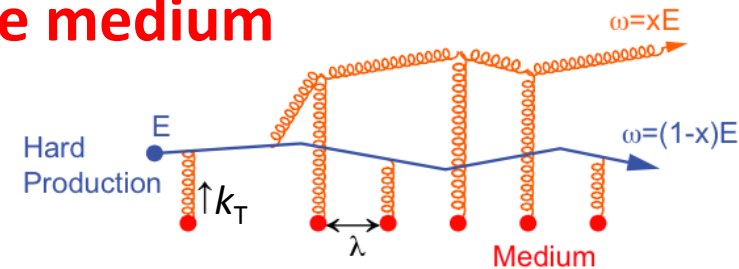
Study parton interaction with the medium

- **energy loss via radiative** (“gluon Bremsstrahlung”) **collisional processes**

~ Study QCD “Bethe-Block” curve for partons in the QGP



**Connection of “local” interactions with global medium properties**  
**→ Microscopic description of the medium**



e.g. in BDMPS-Z formalism\*

$$\langle \Delta E \rangle^{\text{rad}} \propto \alpha_s C_R \hat{q} L^2$$

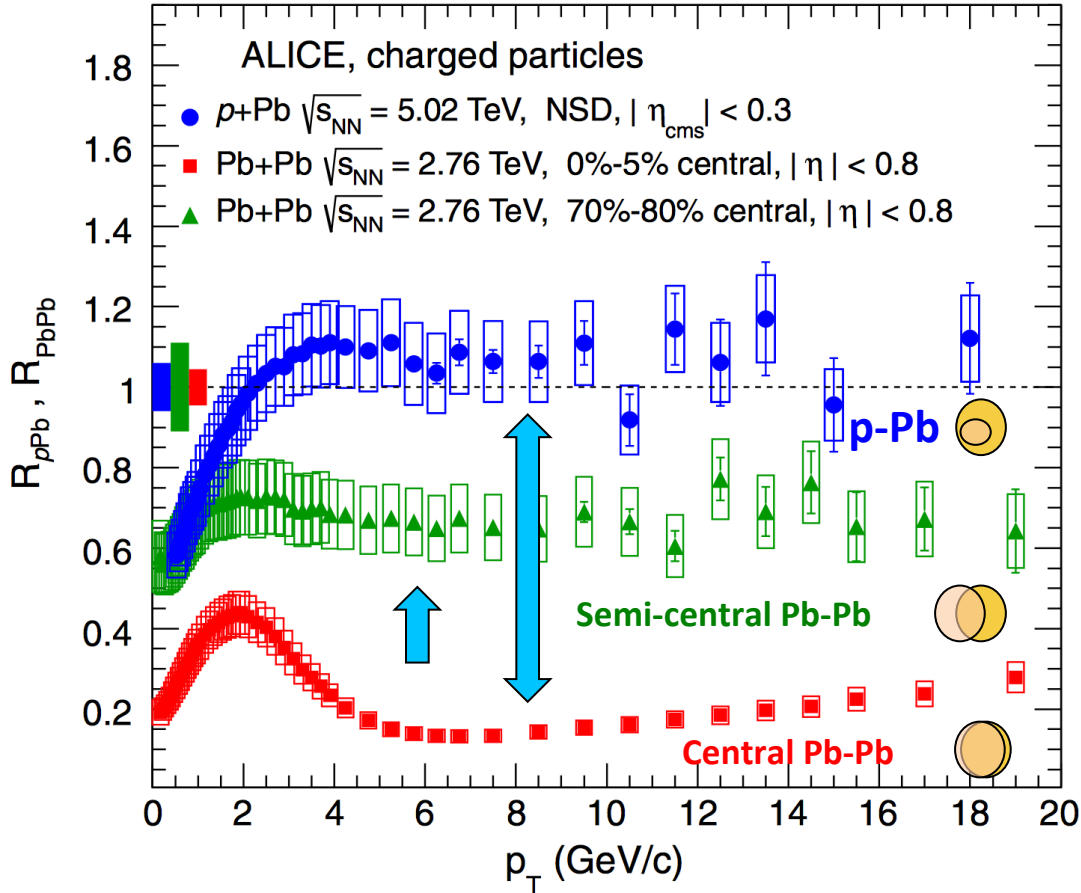
$$\hat{q} = \frac{\langle k_T^2 \rangle}{\lambda} = \langle k_T^2 \rangle \rho \sigma$$

*Transport coefficient(s)*

\*Baier, Dokshitzer, Mueller, Peigné, Schiff, NPB 483 (1997) 29  
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ALICE, PRL 110 (2013) 082302



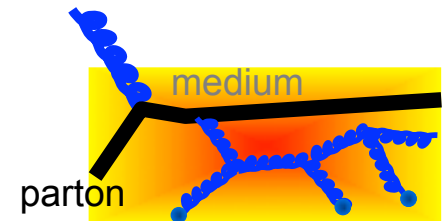
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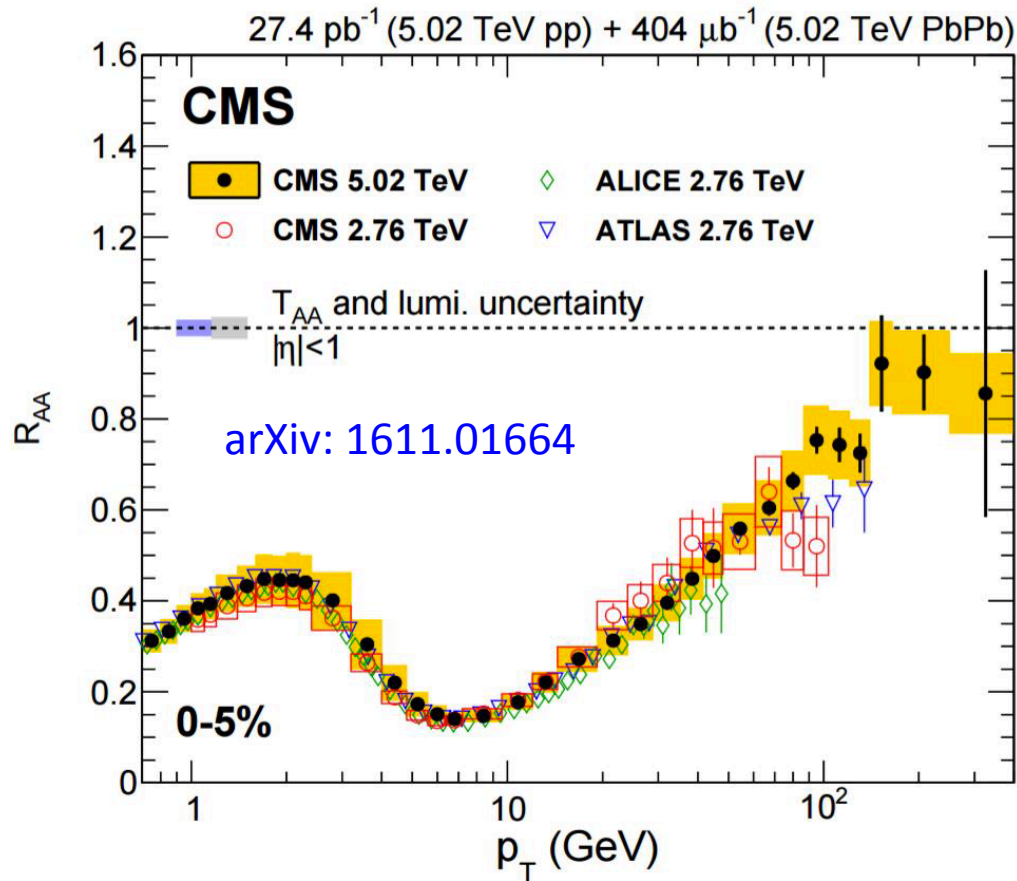
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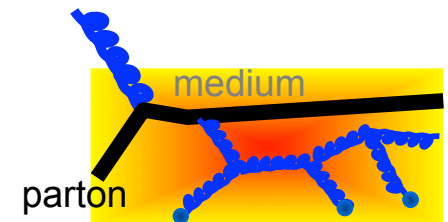
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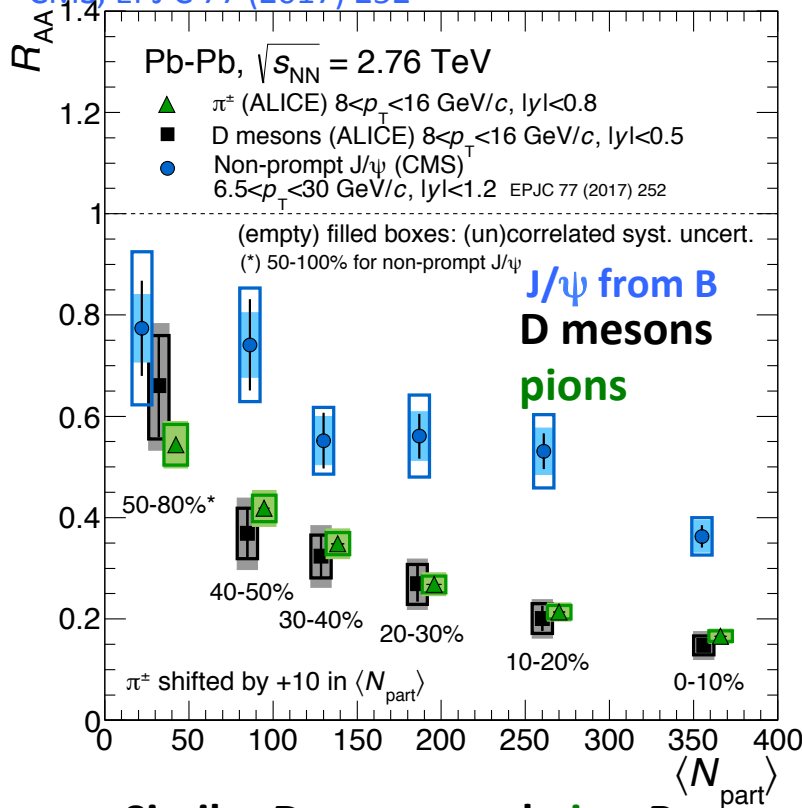
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# Open charm and beauty

ALICE, JHEP 1511 (2015) 205

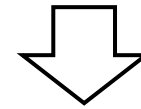
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Similar D meson and pion  $R_{AA}$

Expected from small charm-quark mass  
 + differences between charm and  
 gluon/LF spectra slope and  
 fragmentation

$R_{AA}(\text{J}/\psi \text{ from B}) > R_{AA}(\text{D})$  in central collisions

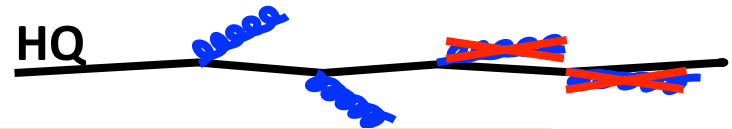


Indication of  $R_{AA}(\text{B}) > R_{AA}(\text{D})$

The different suppression and the centrality dependence as expected from **models with quark-mass dependent energy loss**

$$(\Delta E_g > \Delta E_{lq} \geq \Delta E_c > \Delta E_b)$$

Expected from dead cone effect:

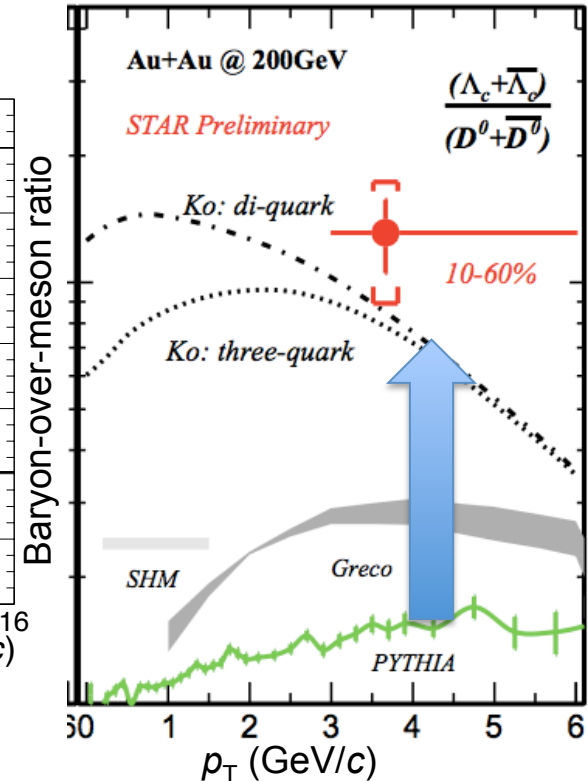
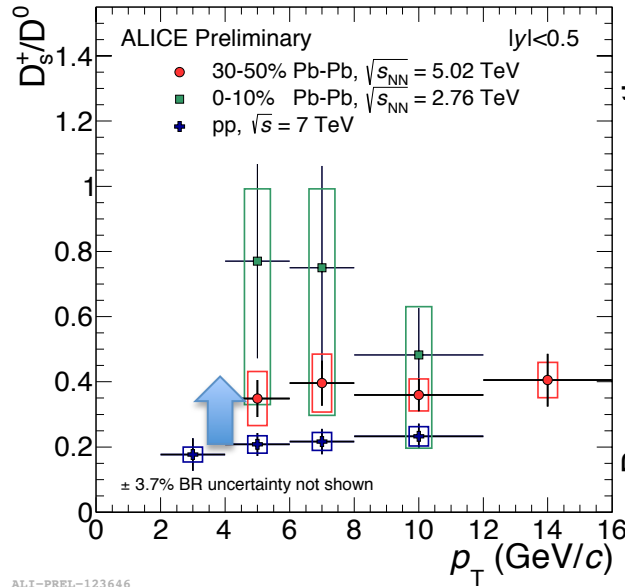
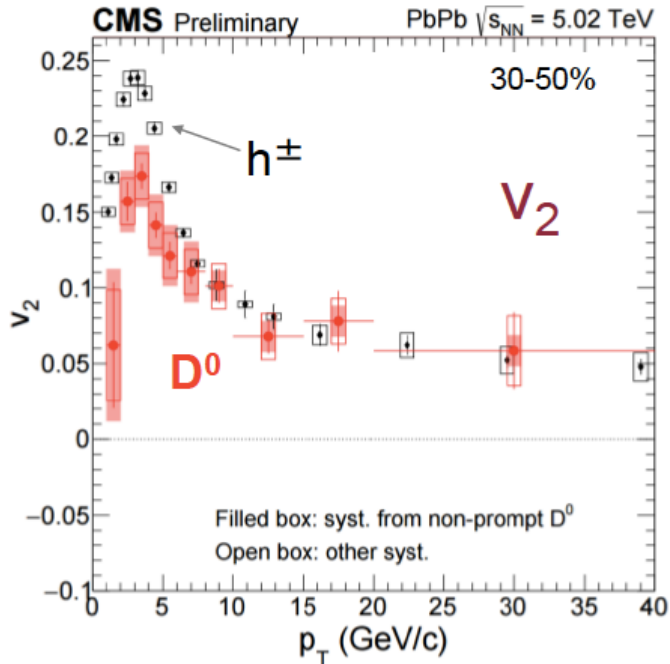


Gluonsstrahlung probability

$$\propto \frac{1}{[\theta^2 + (m_Q / E_Q)^2]^2}$$

Dokshitzer, Khoze, Troyan, JPG 17 (1991) 1602.  
 Dokshitzer and Kharzeev, PLB 519 (2001) 199.

# Open charm and beauty



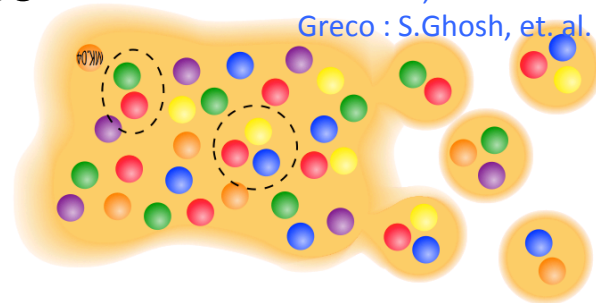
Charm flows

Modification of particle species abundances

→ hadronisation via coalescence?

→ Charm participates to system collective motion

→ Possible thermalisation?

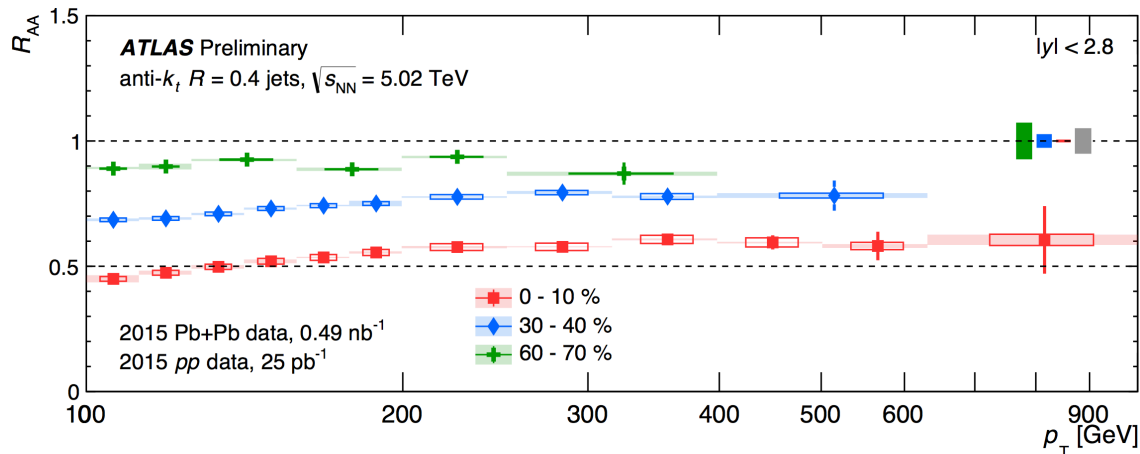


$Ko$  : Y. Oh, et. al. PRC 79 (2009) 044905;  
Greco : S.Ghosh, et. al. PRD 90 (2014) 054018

# Jet quenching

Jets are “extended” objects → provide complementary information to single particle observables

- Address spatial distribution and kinetic properties of radiated energy
- **Out-of-cone radiation → jet suppression**



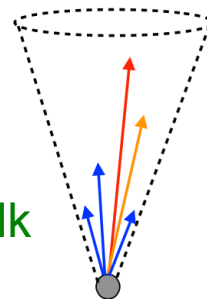
Jet suppression  
up to  $\sim 1$  TeV!

Is the jet internal structure modified?

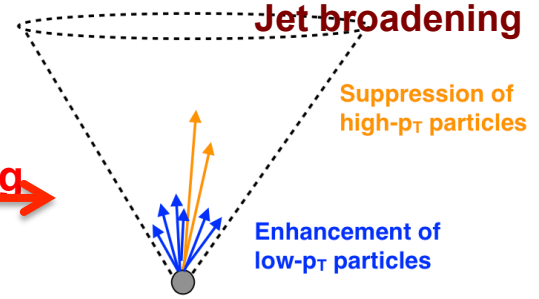
- Kinetic properties
- Spatial distribution of jet constituents
- Particle specie composition

Many studies performed → E. Bruna's talk

Jets in vacuum



Jets in medium



Quenching effects?

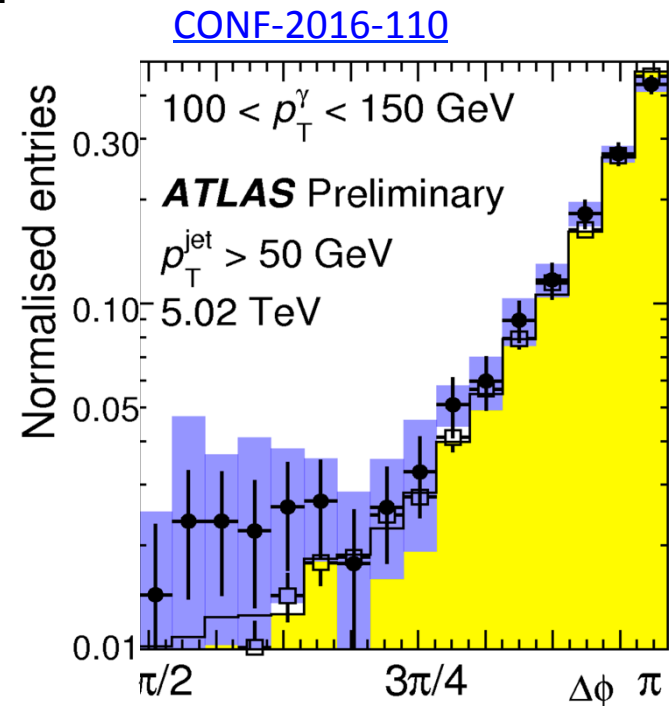
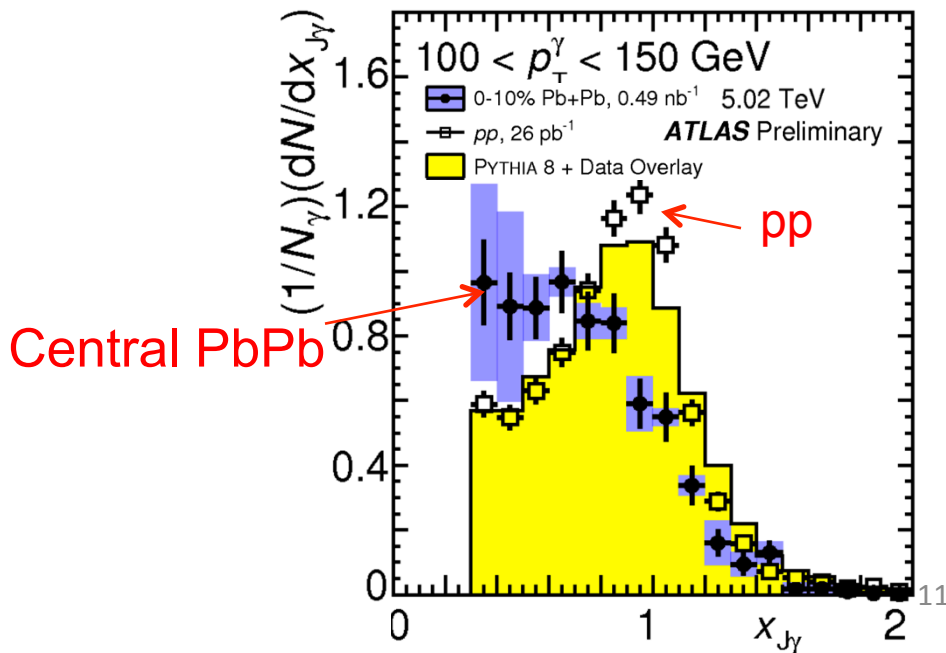
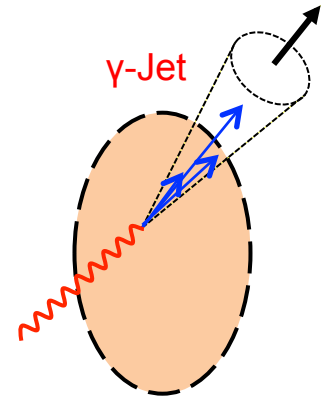
# Jet quenching with $\gamma$ -jet

$\gamma$  provides calibration of jet energy before quenching

- medium effects via  $x_{J\gamma} = p_{T,jet}/p_{T,\gamma}$  and  $\Delta\phi$  decorrelation

Central 0-10% PbPb compare to pp

- $\langle x_{J\gamma} \rangle$  shifted towards lower value  
 → Strong energy loss for associated jet.
- $\Delta\phi$  distribution consistent with pp data  
 → Little modification of the jet direction.

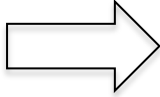
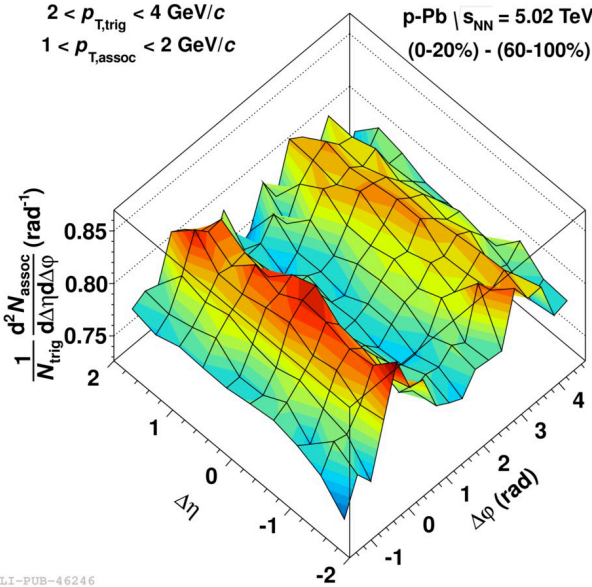




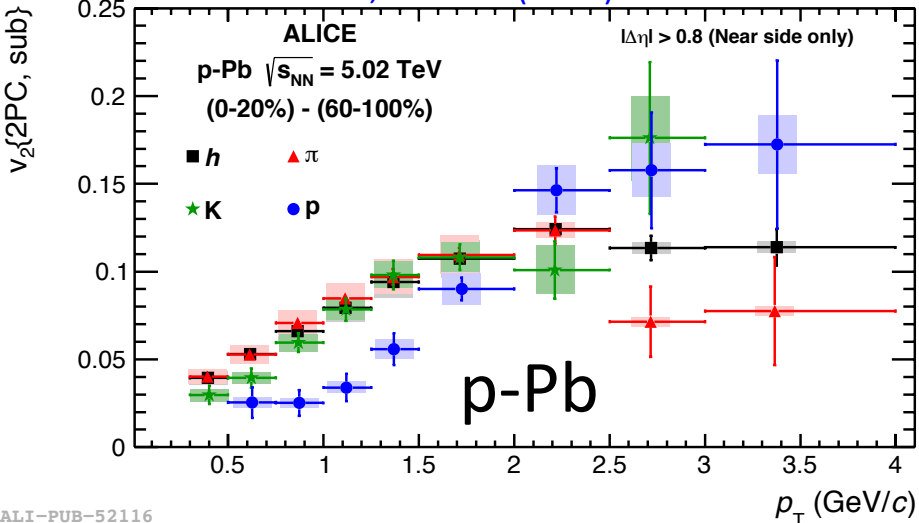
**QGP in small systems?**

# Long range correlations and flow in p-Pb

ALICE, PLB 719 (2013) 29

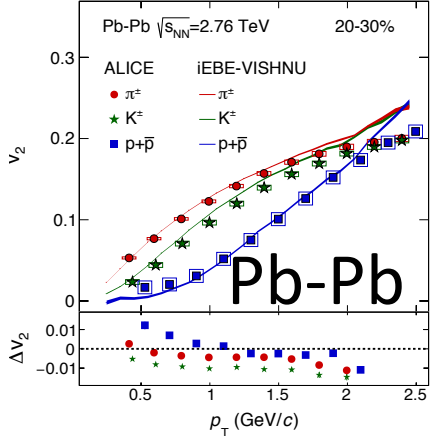


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Large  $v_2$  (elliptic flow) values!

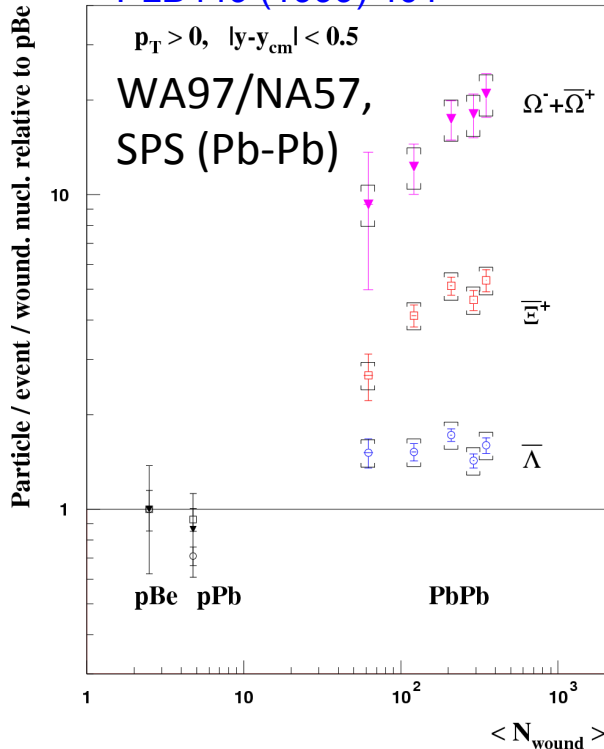
Mass ordering and “crossing” similar to Pb-Pb, where data are reproduced by hydrodynamical models



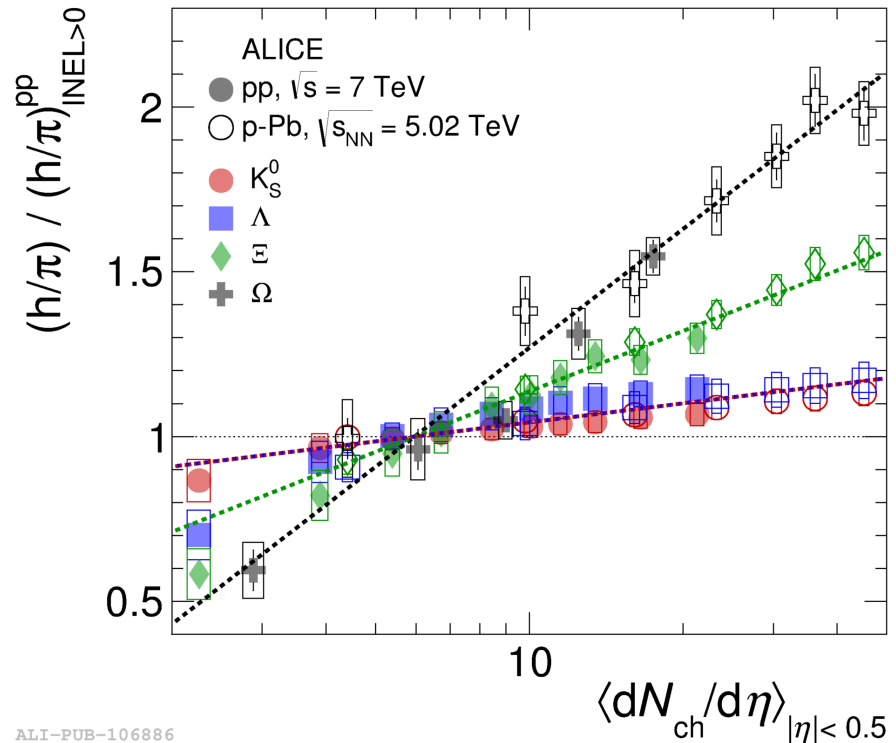
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# Strangeness enhancement

PLB449 (1999) 401



Nature Physics (2017) doi:10.1038/nphys4111



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- Increase of strange particle yield with collision centrality
- Stronger effect for particles with larger strangeness content
- Historical QGP “smoking gun” (Rafelski, Müller, PRL48(1982)1066), associated with chiral symmetry restoration and removal of canonical suppression

Now observed also in pp collisions at high multiplicity

→ New research direction

# Summary

... only a snapshot of the main results presented, see also talks by R. Arnaldi, P. Bartalini, E. Bruna, R. Preghenella, S. Bufalino

After 30 years of studies QGP formation in heavy-ion collisions quite established

The experimental goal is now to measure precisely its properties and achieve a comprehensive microscopic description of the medium

- Event-by-event studies and fluctuations
- Push precision for particle chemistry (baryon/mesons, resonances,...)
- Hard-probes: still much room for improving precision and for more differential measurements → still a lot to learn!

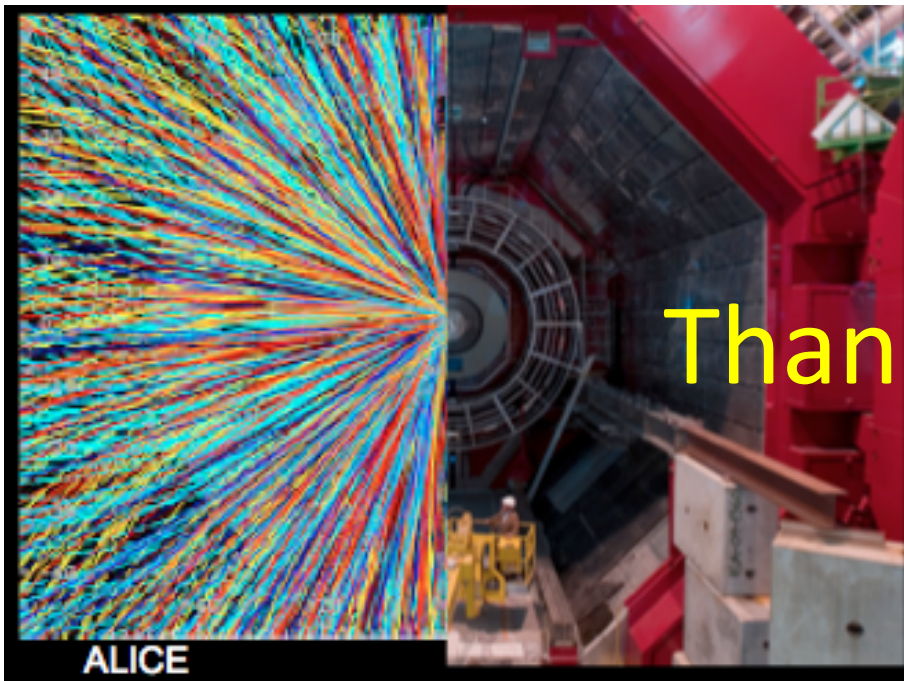
Recent years: indication of collective QGP-like effects in small collision systems with particle multiplicity a possible “collant”/common scale

→ Really QGP in pp/p-A collisions?

→ Possibility to study onset of these phenomena?

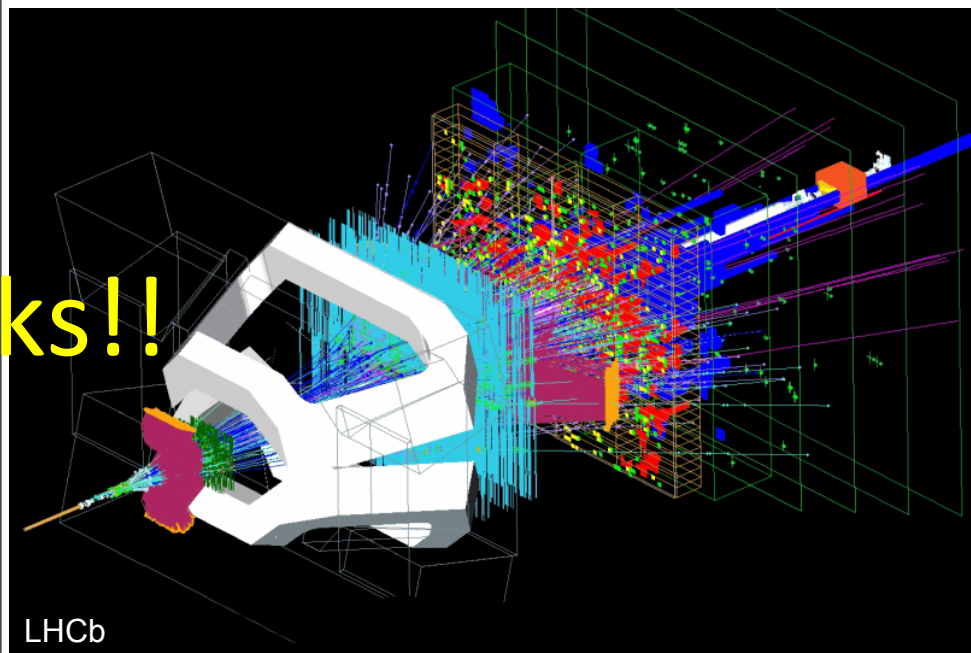
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**A lot of work for ongoing and future/upgraded experiments!**

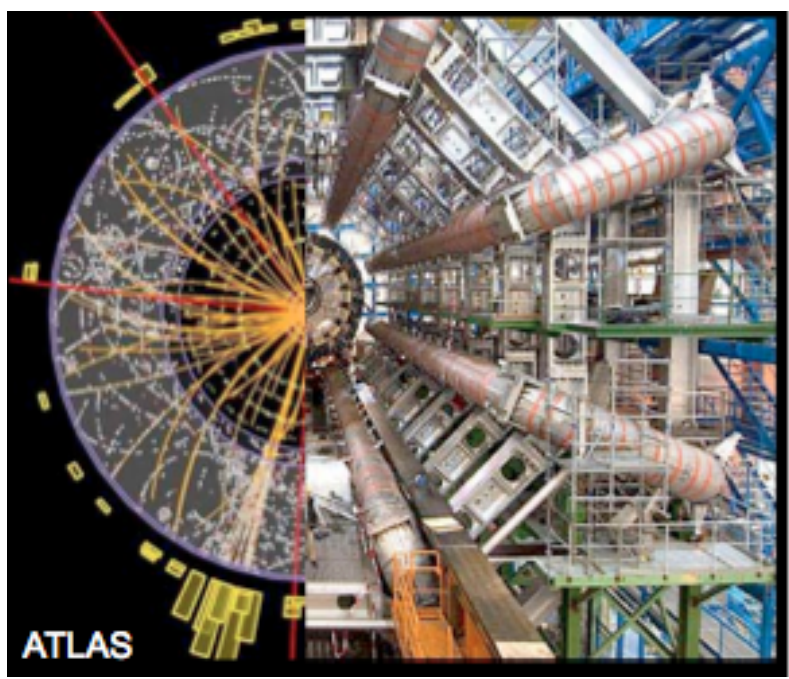


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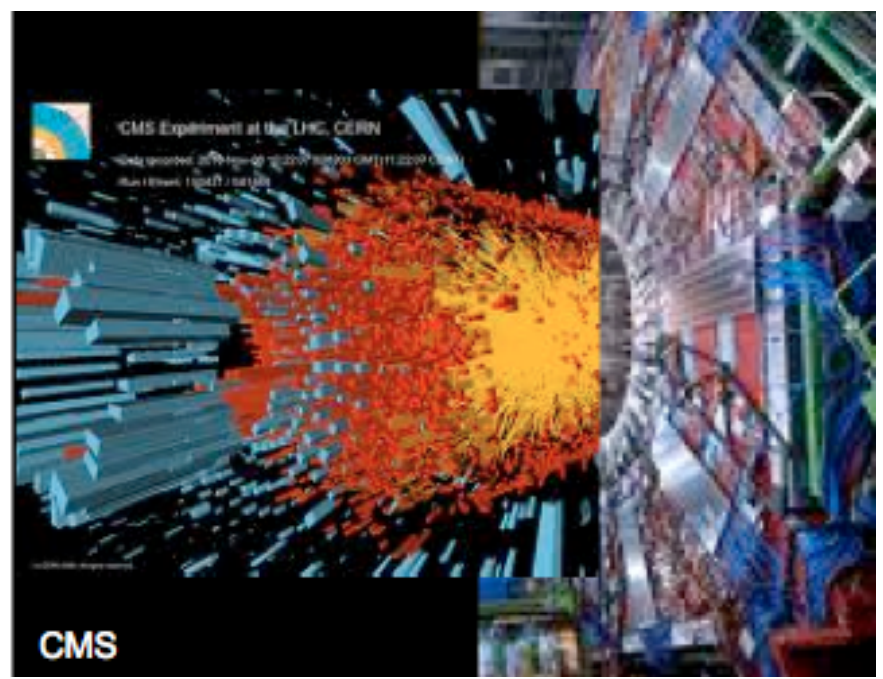
Thanks!!



LHCb



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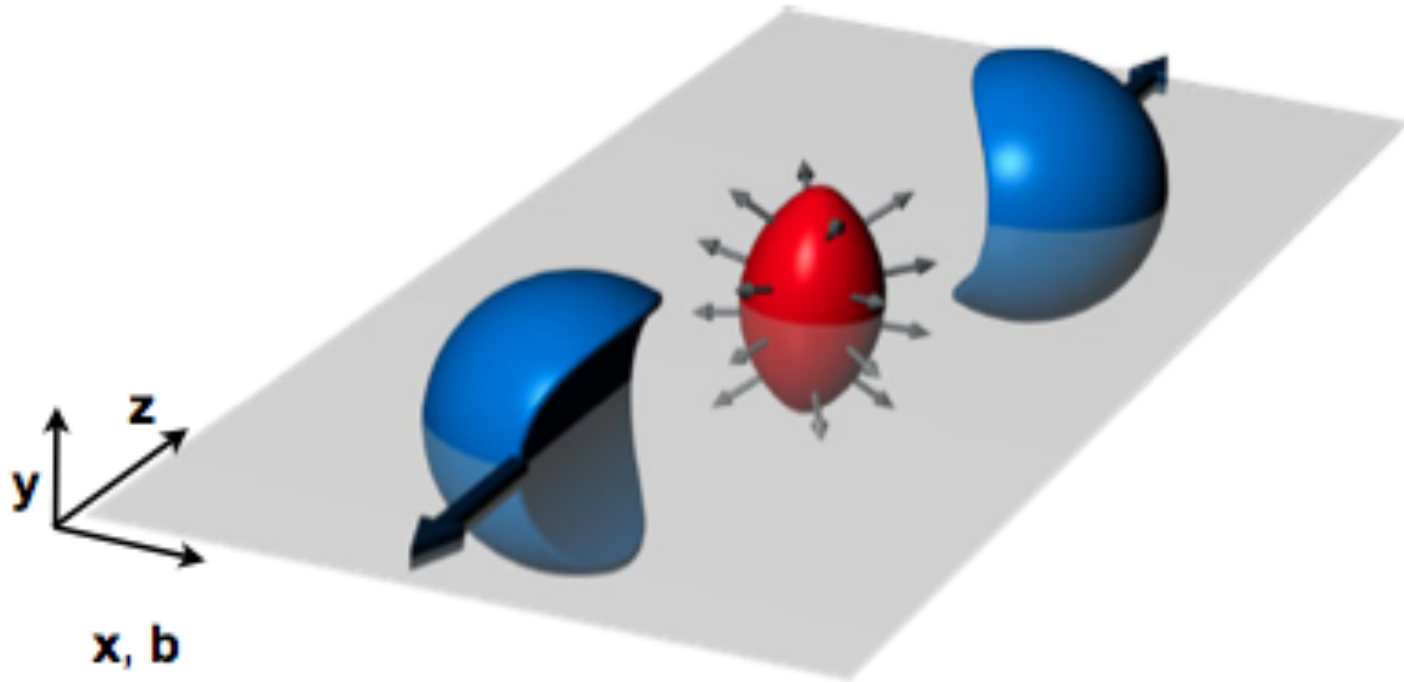


CMS

Extra

# Anisotropic (Elliptic) Flow

- Non-central collisions are azimuthally asymmetric

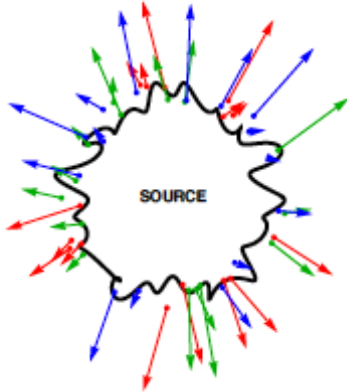


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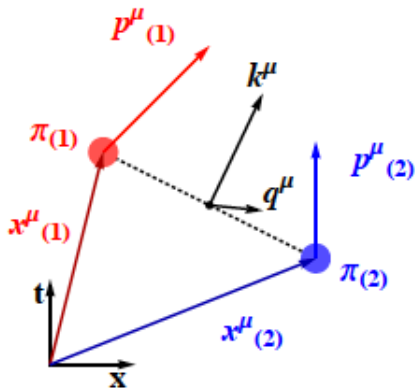
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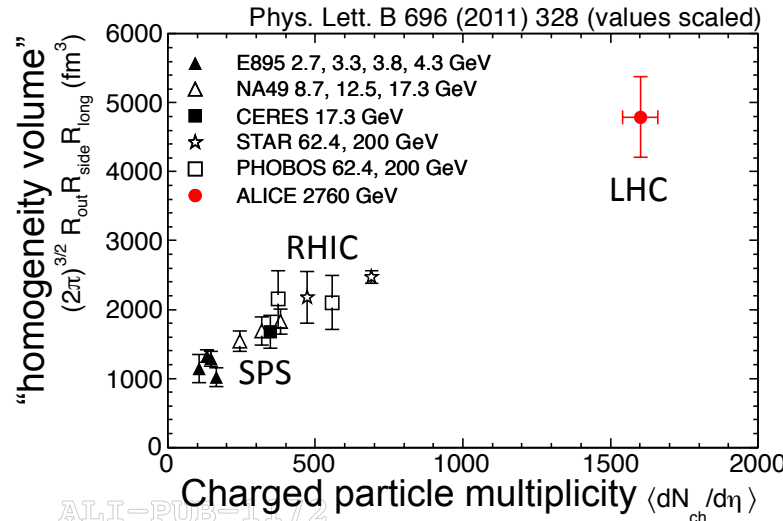
source emitting particles



two identical pions,  $\pi^+\pi^+$ ,  $\pi^-\pi^-$



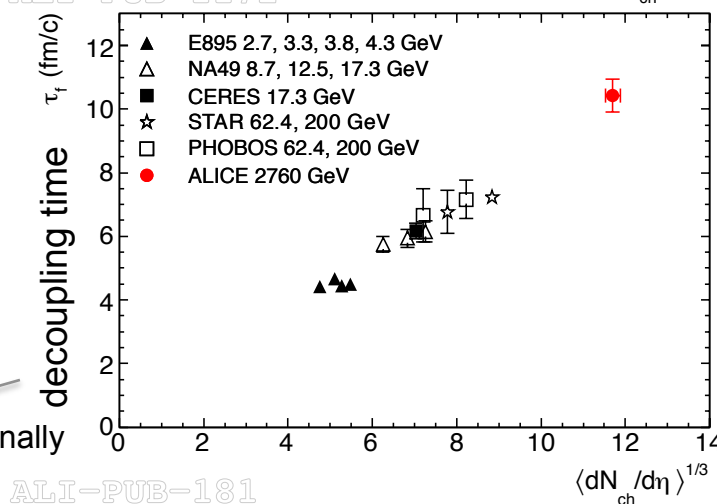
From  $R_{\text{long}}$ , assuming longitudinally expanding emission source



$$R_{\text{out}} \sim R_{\text{side}} \sim 6 \text{ fm}$$

$$R_{\text{long}} \sim 8 \text{ fm}$$

As expected, larger-size and longer living system produced at the LHC



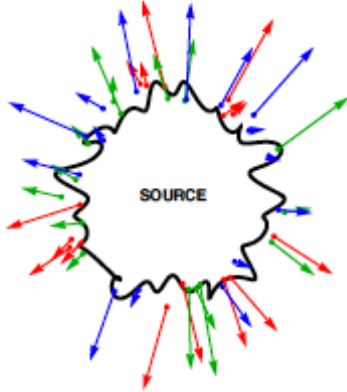


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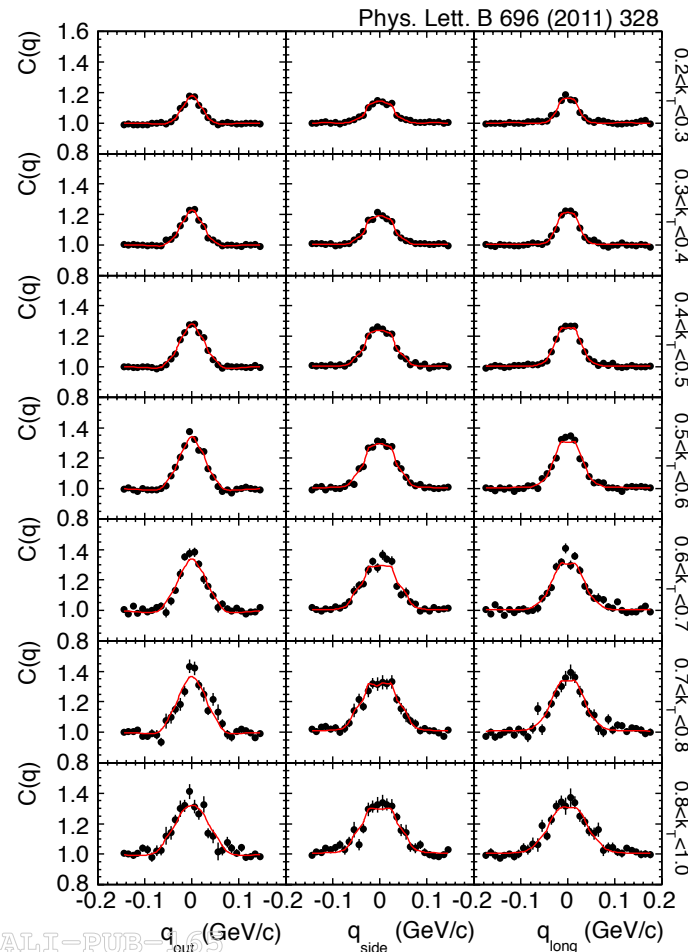
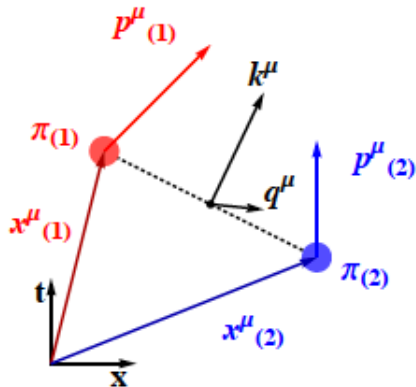
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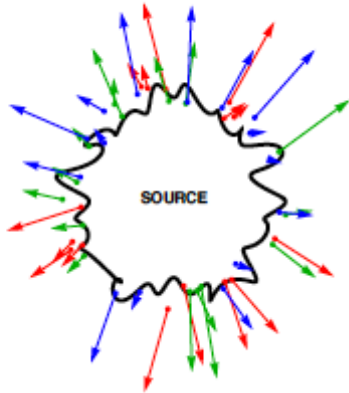


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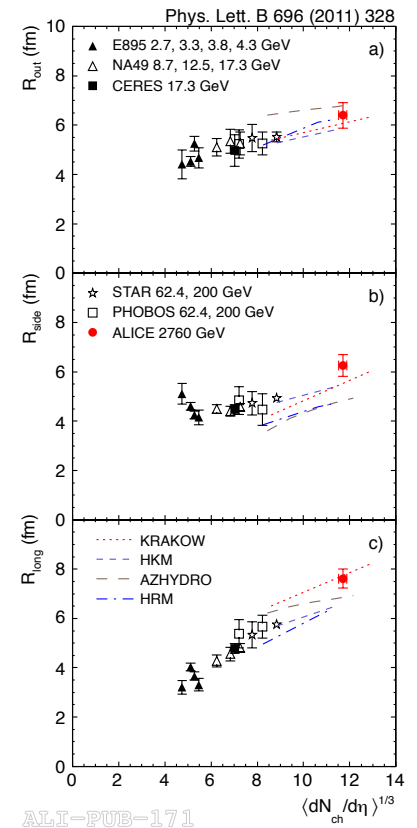
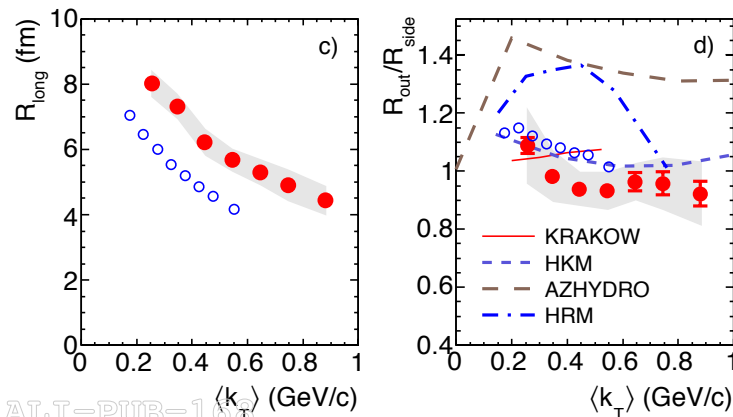
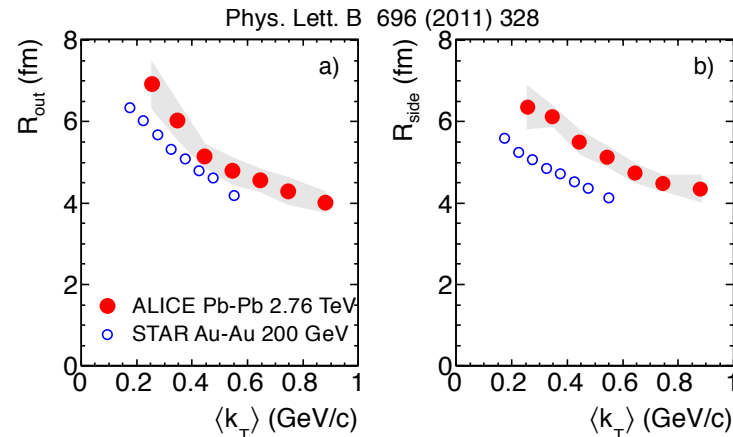
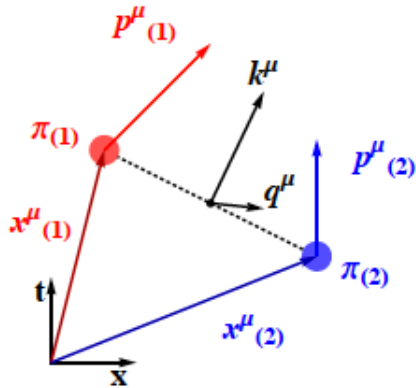
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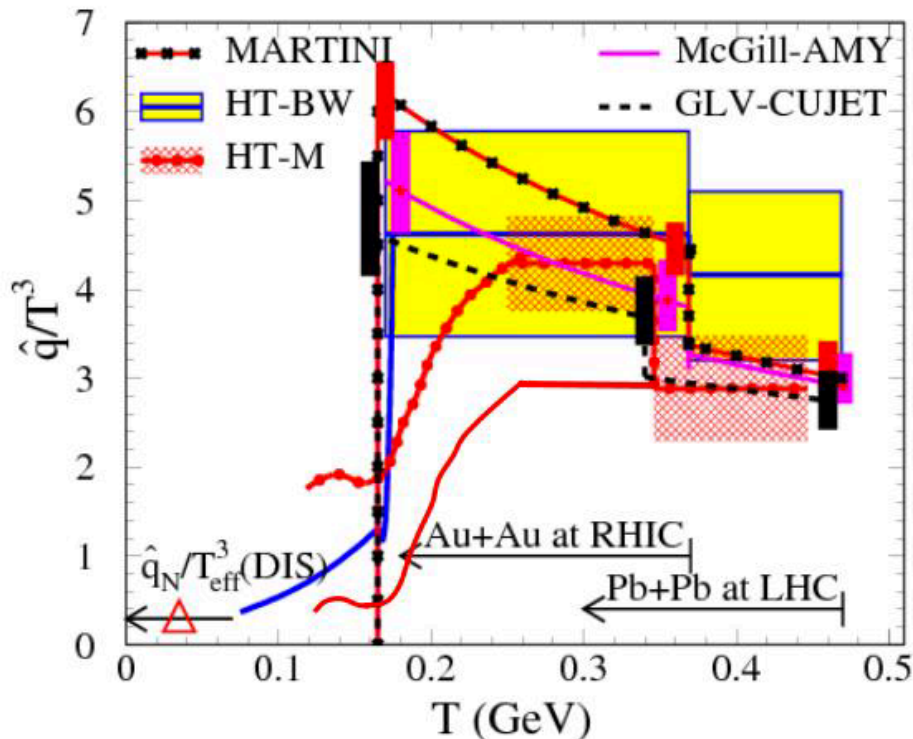


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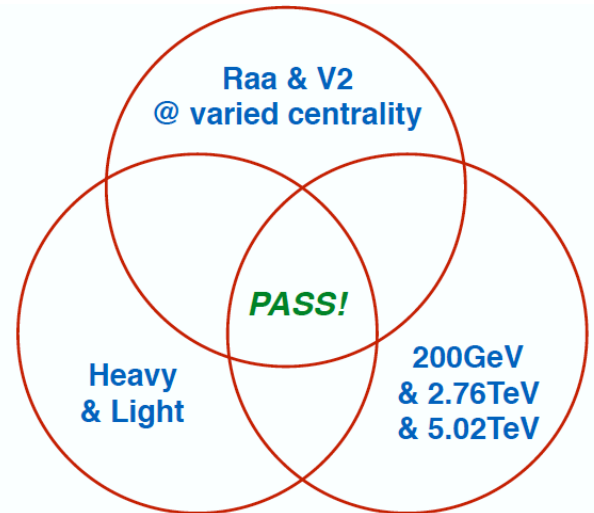


# Started to extract information from data

From analysis of inclusive charged particle spectra at RHIC and LHC and considering many models



Only a starting point!



from J. Liao, QM2017

Nucl.Phys. A931 (2014) 404-409

$$\hat{q} = 1.2 \pm 0.3 \text{ GeV}^2/\text{fm} \text{ (central Au-Au } \sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200 \text{ GeV)}$$

$$\hat{q} = 1.9 \pm 0.7 \text{ GeV}^2/\text{fm} \text{ (central Pb-Pb } \sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76 \text{ TeV)}$$

# QGP tomography with heavy quarks

- Early production in hard-scattering processes with high  $Q^2$
  - Production cross sections calculable with pQCD
  - Strongly interacting with the medium
- at all  $p_T$  for charm and beauty  
(large masses  $\gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$ )

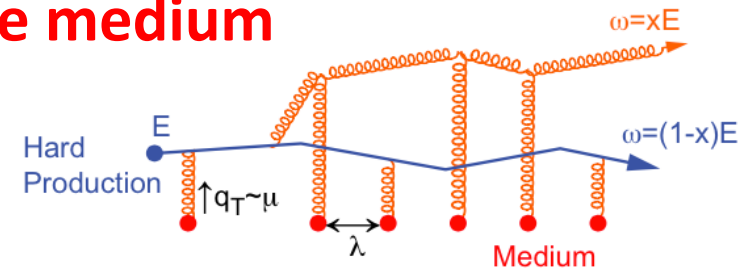
## ⇒ “Calibrated probes” of the medium

Study parton interaction with the medium

- **energy loss via radiative** (“gluon Bremsstrahlung”)

### collisional processes

- path length and medium density
- **color charge** (Casimir factor)
- **quark mass** (e.g. from dead-cone effect)

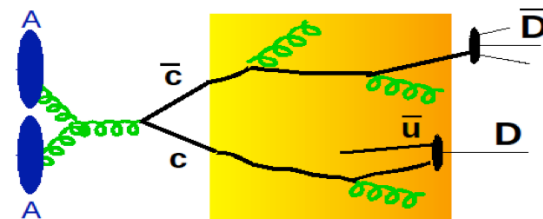


$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{radiative} \\ \text{collisional} \end{array} \right\} \Delta E_g > \Delta E_{u,d,s} > \Delta E_c > \Delta E_b$$

- medium **modification to HF hadron formation**

- hadronization via quark coalescence

- participation in collective motion → flow



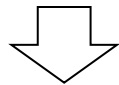
# Quarkonium in the QGP

More in R. Araldi's talk

Recall: quant-antiquark QCD potential

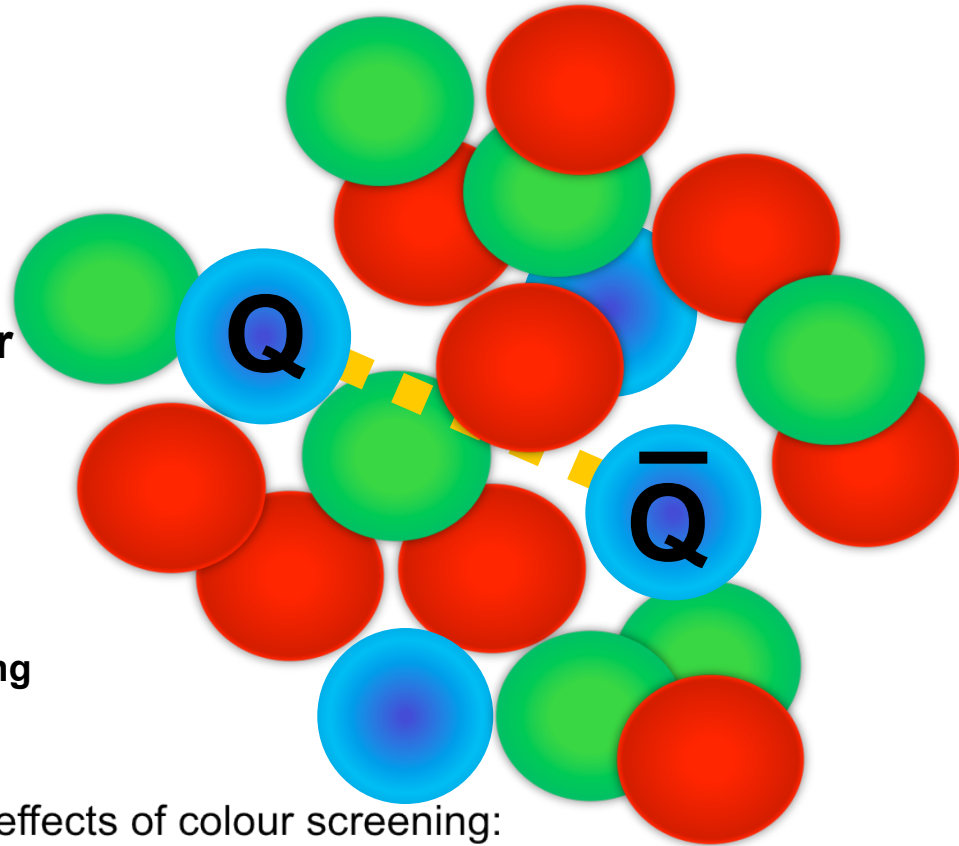
$$V(r) = -\frac{\alpha}{r} + kr$$

The QGP consists of deconfined colour charges  $\rightarrow$  screening effect



$$V(r) = -\frac{\alpha}{r} e^{-r/\lambda_D}$$

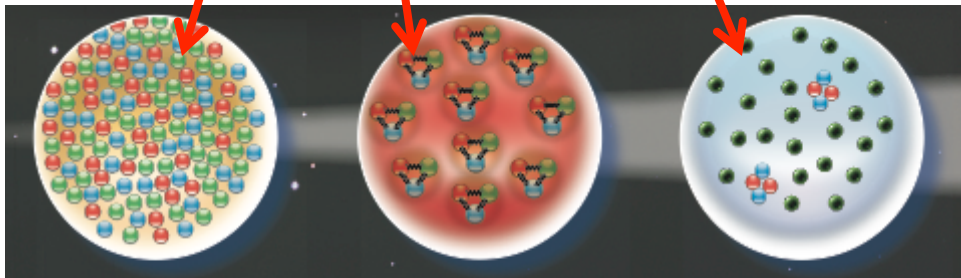
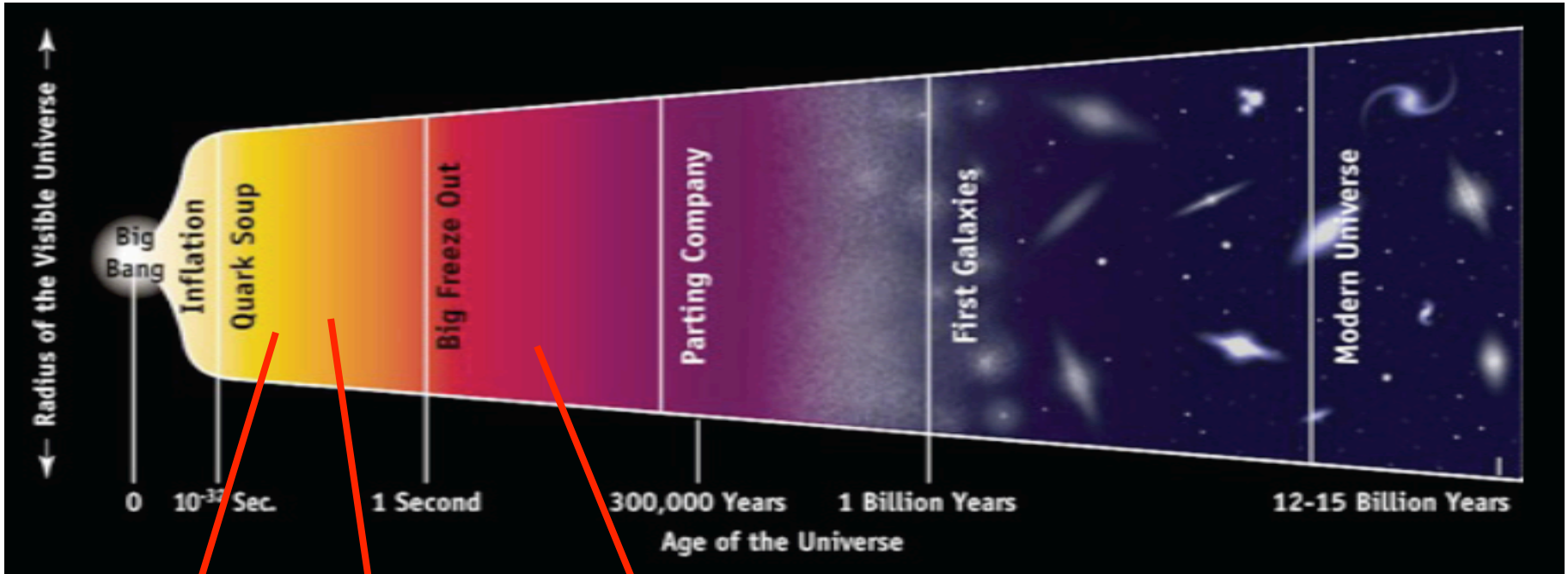
$\lambda_D$ : screening radius



➔ the binding of a  $q\bar{q}$  pair is subject to the effects of colour screening:

- the “confinement” contribution disappears
- the coulombian term of the potential is screened by the high color density

# Quark-Gluon Plasma (QGP): the first “matter” in the primordial Universe



*quark-gluon plasma*

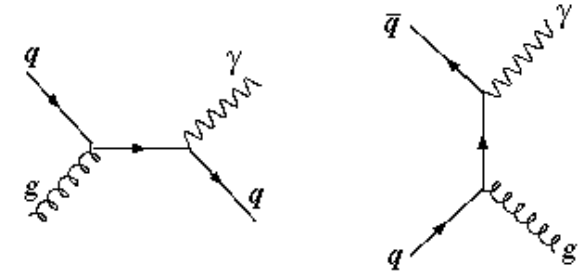
*formation of protons/neutrons*

*formation of atomic nuclei*

The phase transition from quarks to hadrons occurred in the cooling Universe 10-20  $\mu$ s after the Big Bang

# Temperature from Photon spectrum

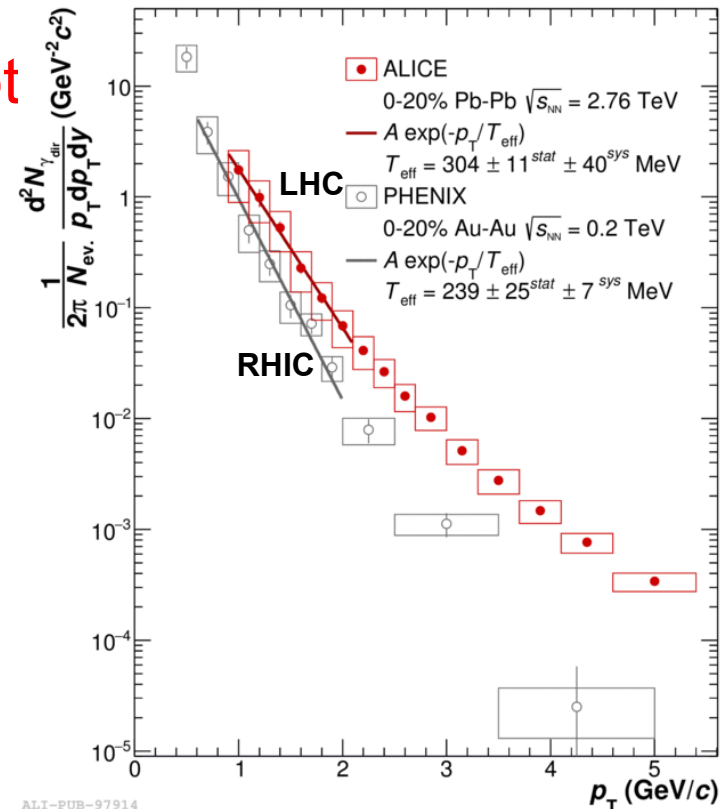
- Photons in heavy-ion collisions
  - Photons from QCD hard scattering: power law spectrum – dominant at high  $p_T$
  - Thermal photons, emitted by the hot system (analogy with black body radiation): exponential spectrum – dominant at low  $p_T$ 
    - From inverse slope:



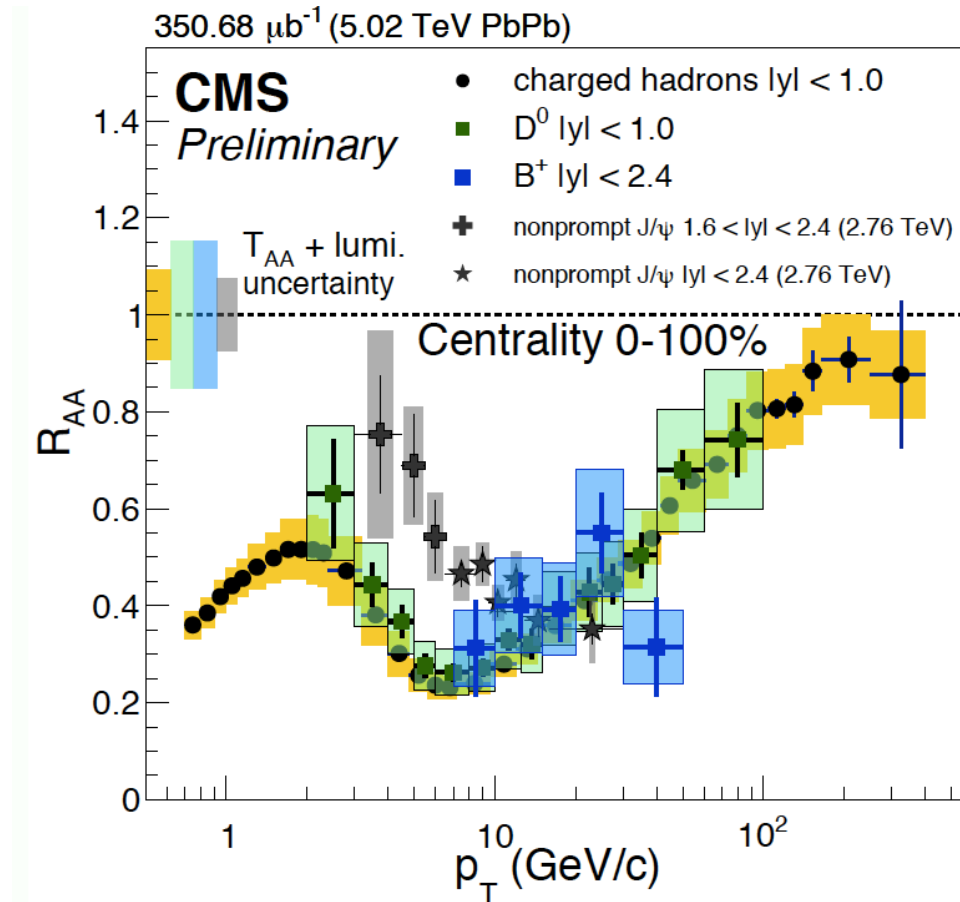
$$T_{\text{eff}} = 304 \pm 41 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\sim 2 T_c \quad (T_c \sim 160 \text{ MeV})$$

$$\sim 1.25 \times T_{\text{eff}}(\text{RHIC})$$

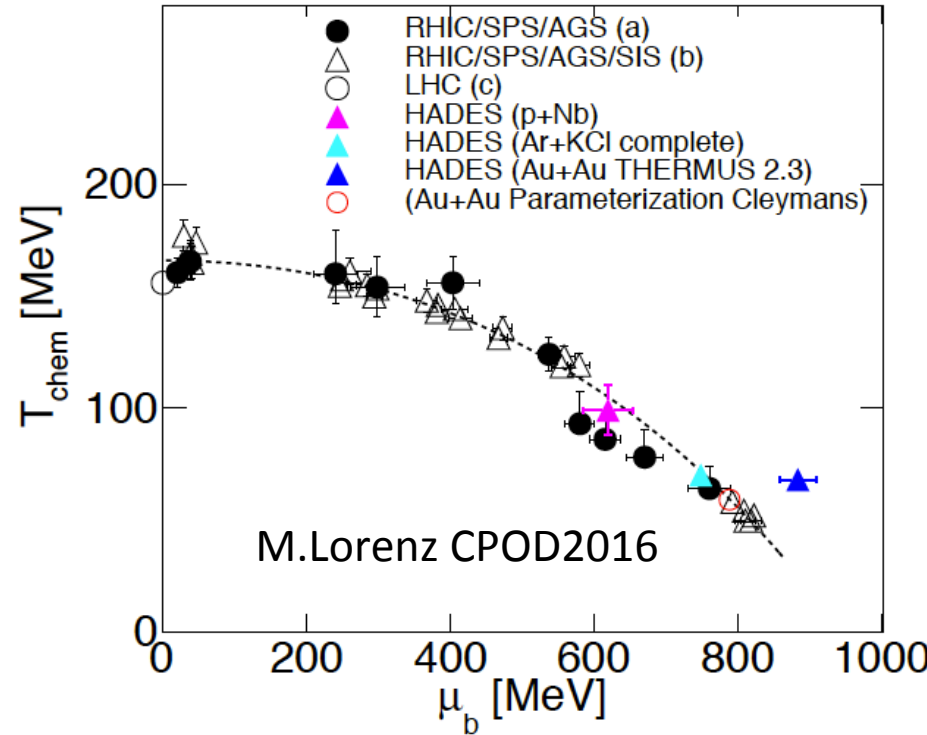
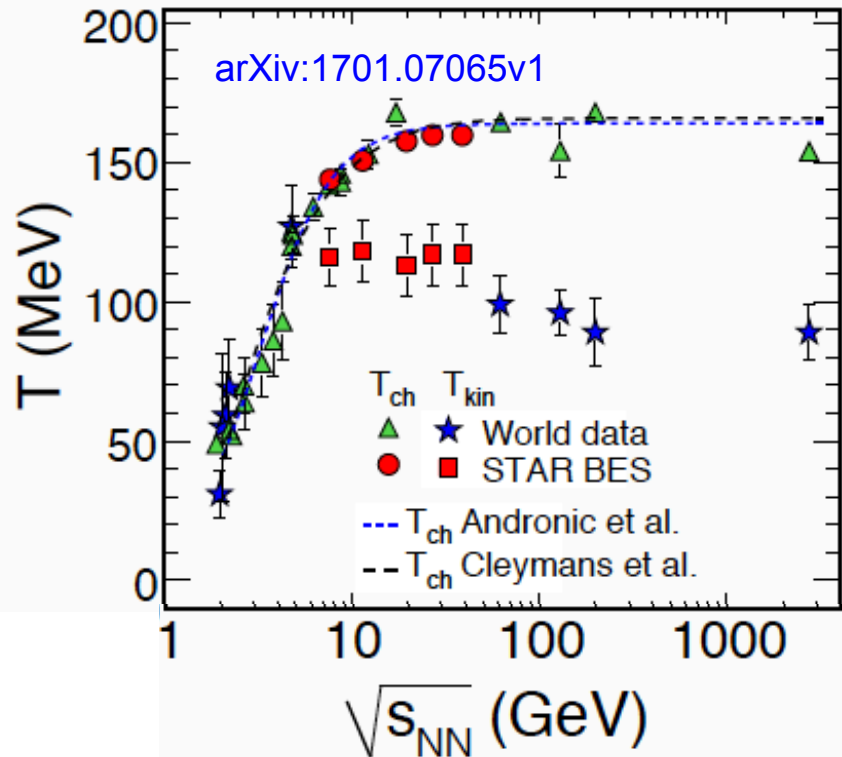


# Beauty nuclear modification factor





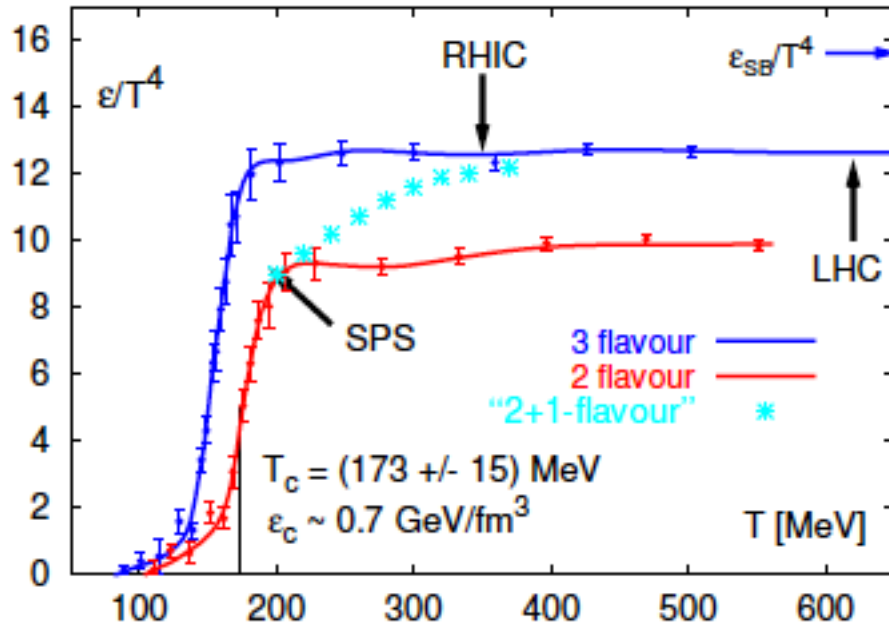
# Beam-energy scan at RHIC



# Lattice QCD: Phase Transition

Lattice QCD is neither a calculation nor a simulation: “realization” of QCD over a discretized space. It allows to compute thermodynamical properties of a system even in a non-perturbative regime of QCD

$$\frac{\varepsilon}{T^4} \text{ vs. } T \longrightarrow \text{Proportional to number of degrees of freedom (ndof)} \\ \text{(S. Boltzmann's law)}$$



- Zero baryon density, 2(u, d) or 3 (u, d, s) quark flavours
- $\varepsilon$  changes rapidly around  $T_c$
- $\rightarrow$  signal change in number of degrees of freedom
- Most recent calculations:  
 $T_c \sim 155 \text{ MeV} :$   
 $\rightarrow \varepsilon_c \sim 0.6 \text{ GeV/fm}^3$

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$$n_{dof} = n_b + \frac{7}{8} n_f$$

**Below  $T_c$ :** gas of pions

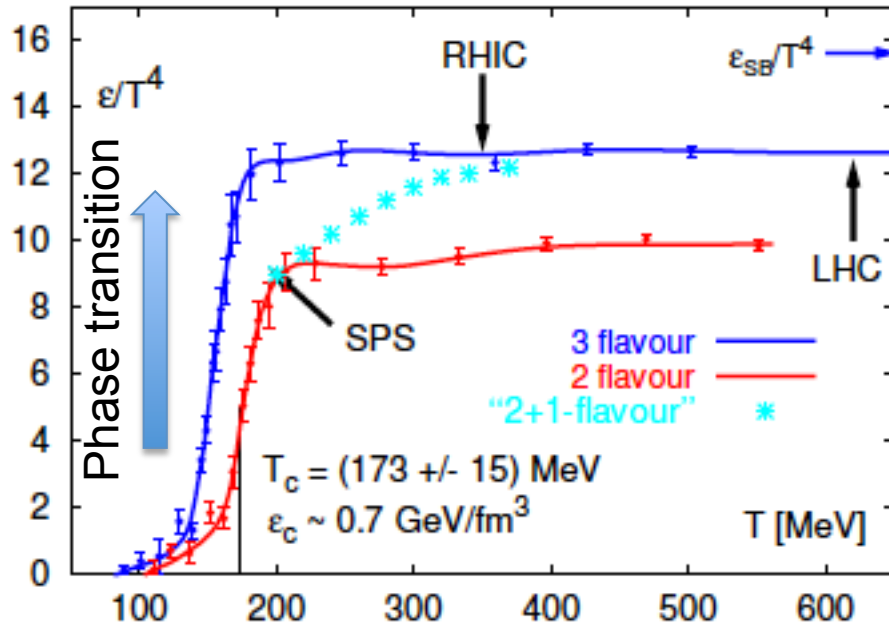
$$n_b = 3(\text{isospin}); n_f = 0 \implies n_{dof} = 3$$

**Above  $T_c$ :** gas of g, u, d, (s) and anti-quarks

$$n_b = 8(\text{colors}) \times 2(\text{polar.})$$

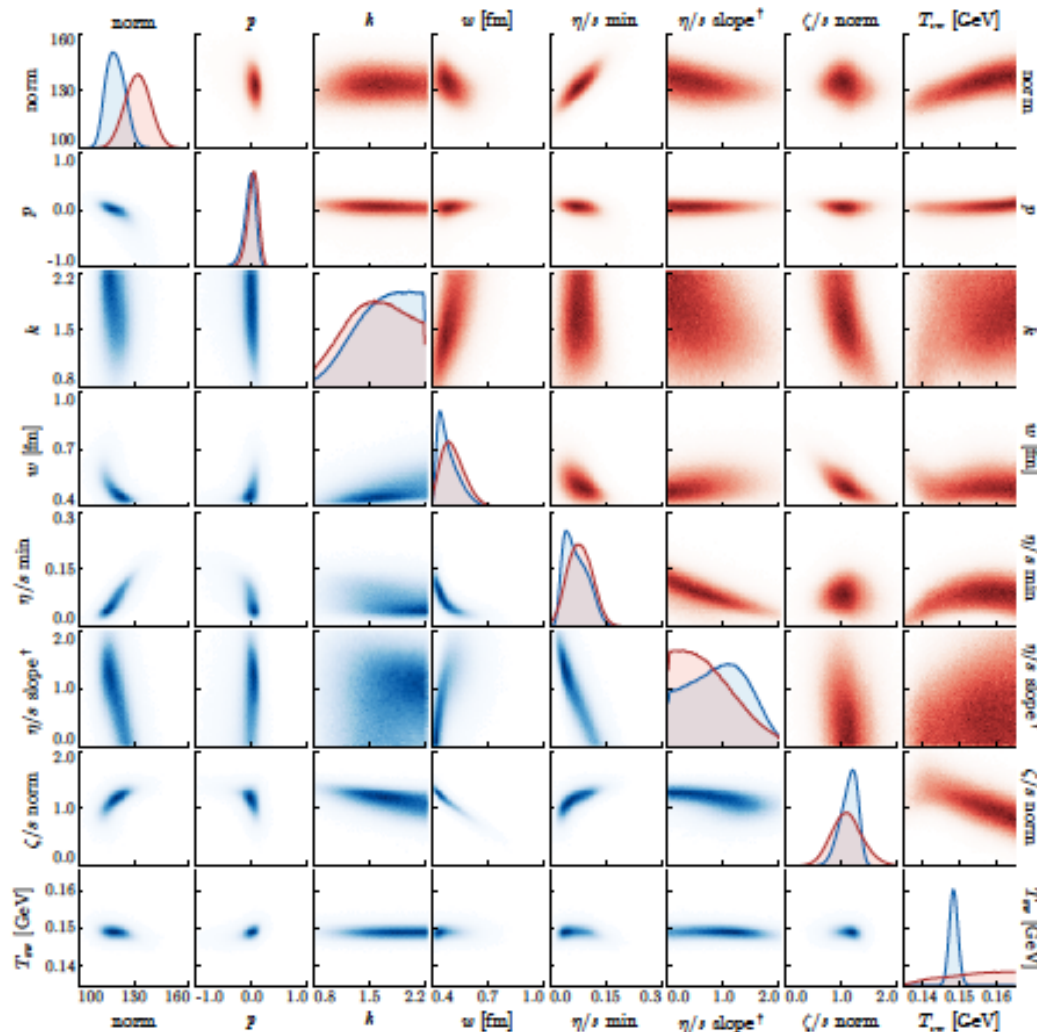
$$n_f = 3(\text{colors}) \times 2(\text{polar.}) \times 2(\text{flav.}) \times 2(\text{charg.})$$

$$\implies n_{dof} = 37(47.5)$$



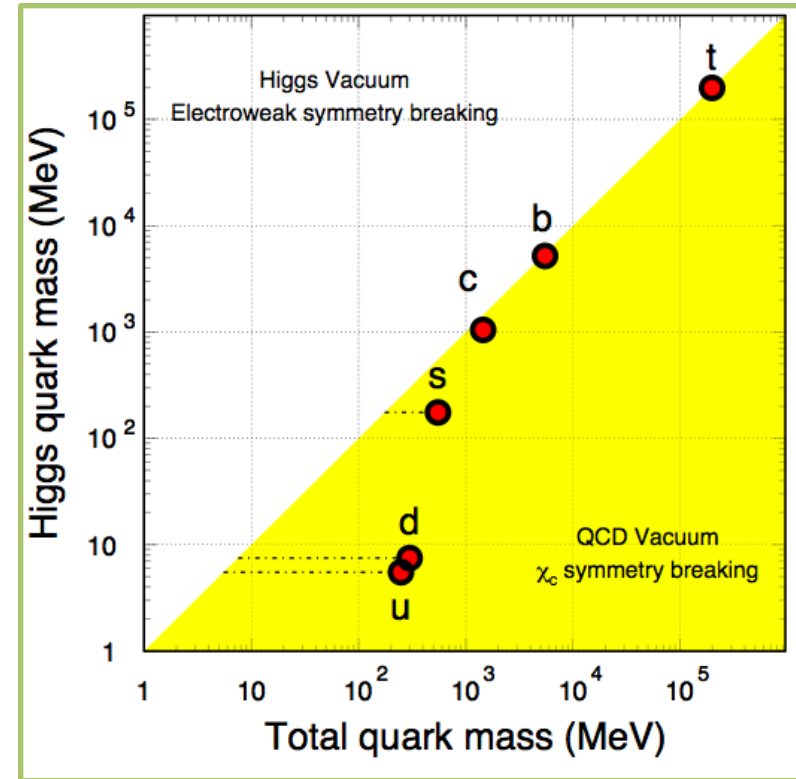
# Constraining further viscosity: example with a model

J. E. Bernhard et al. Phys. Rev. C 94, 024907 (2016)



# Restoration of bare quark masses

- Confined quarks acquire an additional mass ( $\sim 350$  MeV) dynamically, through the confining effect of strong interactions
- Deconfinement is expected to be accompanied by a restoration of the masses to the “bare” values they have in the Lagrangian
  - $m(u,d)$ :  $\sim 350$  MeV  $\rightarrow$  a few MeV
  - $m(s)$ :  $\sim 500$  MeV  $\rightarrow$   $\sim 150$  MeV
- (This effect is usually referred to as “**Partial Restoration of Chiral Symmetry**”. Chiral Symmetry: fermions and antifermions have opposite helicity. The symmetry is exact only for massless particles, therefore its restoration here is only partial)



X.Zhu et al., PLB 647 (2007) 366