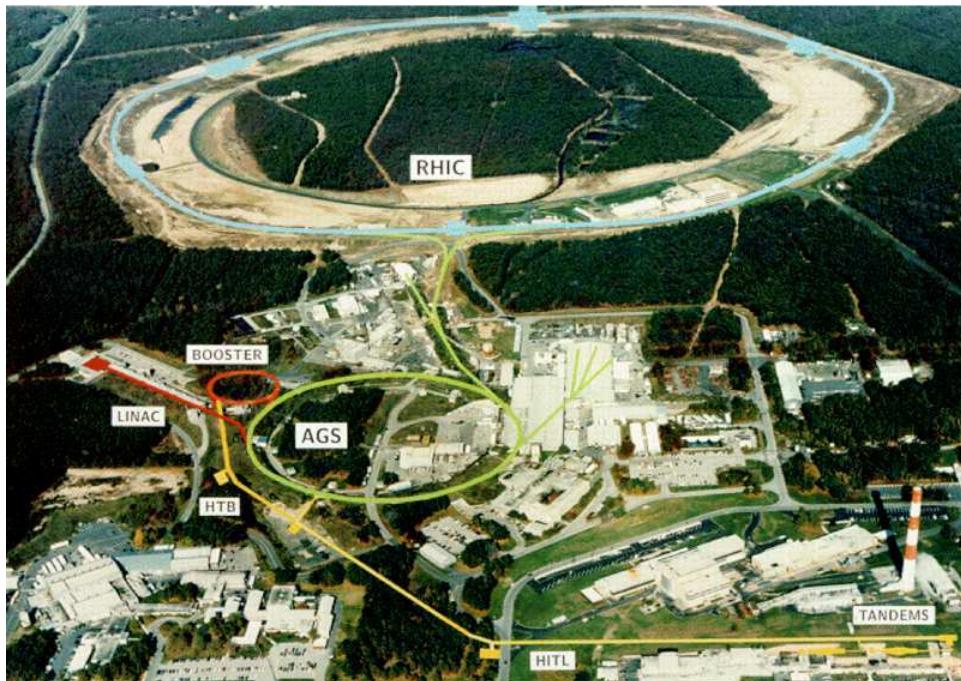
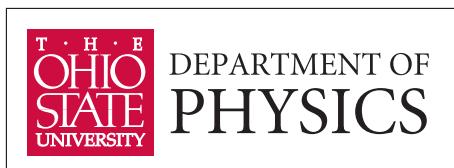


Towards the Little Bang Standard Model*

Ulrich Heinz, The Ohio State University



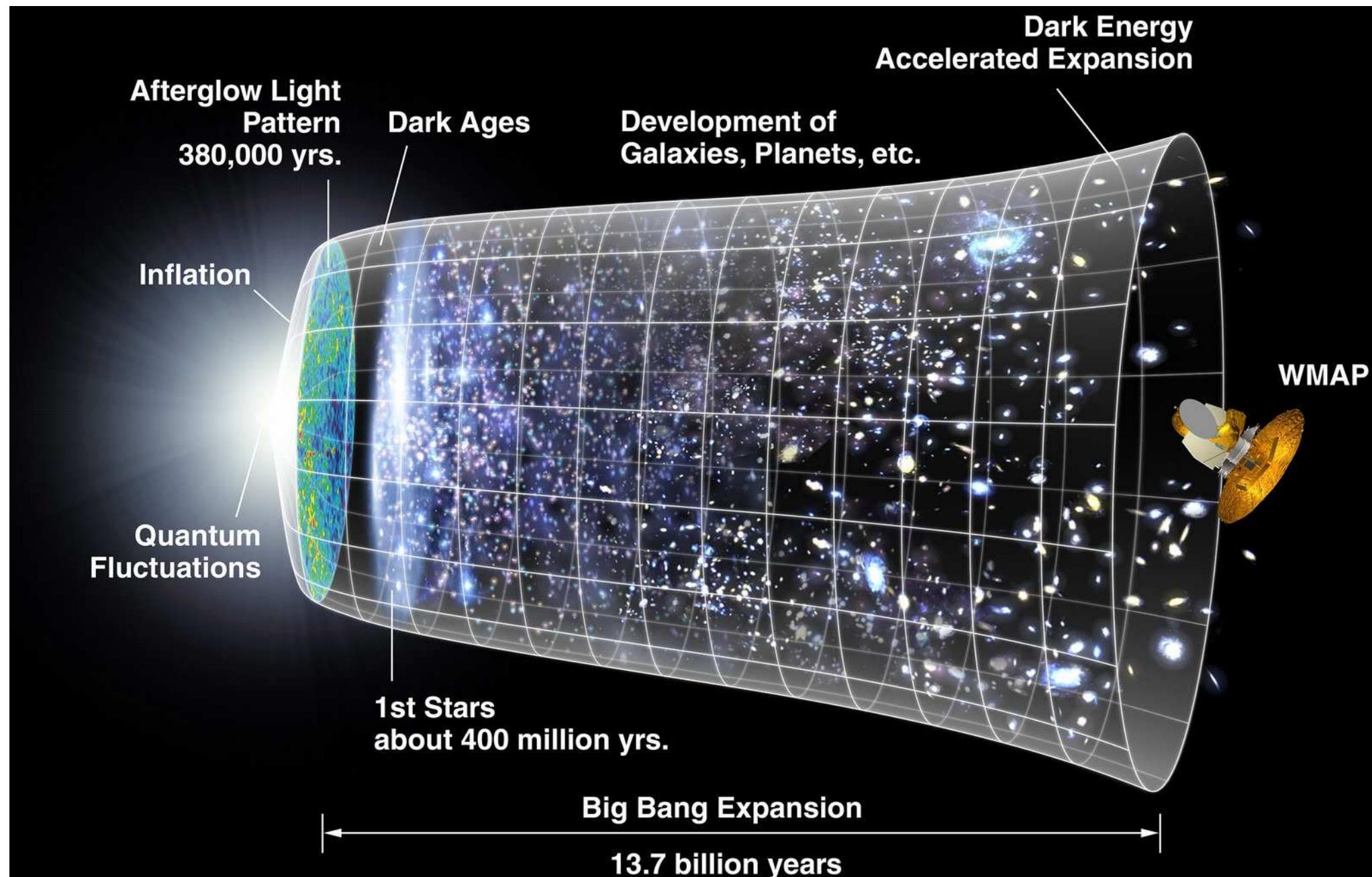
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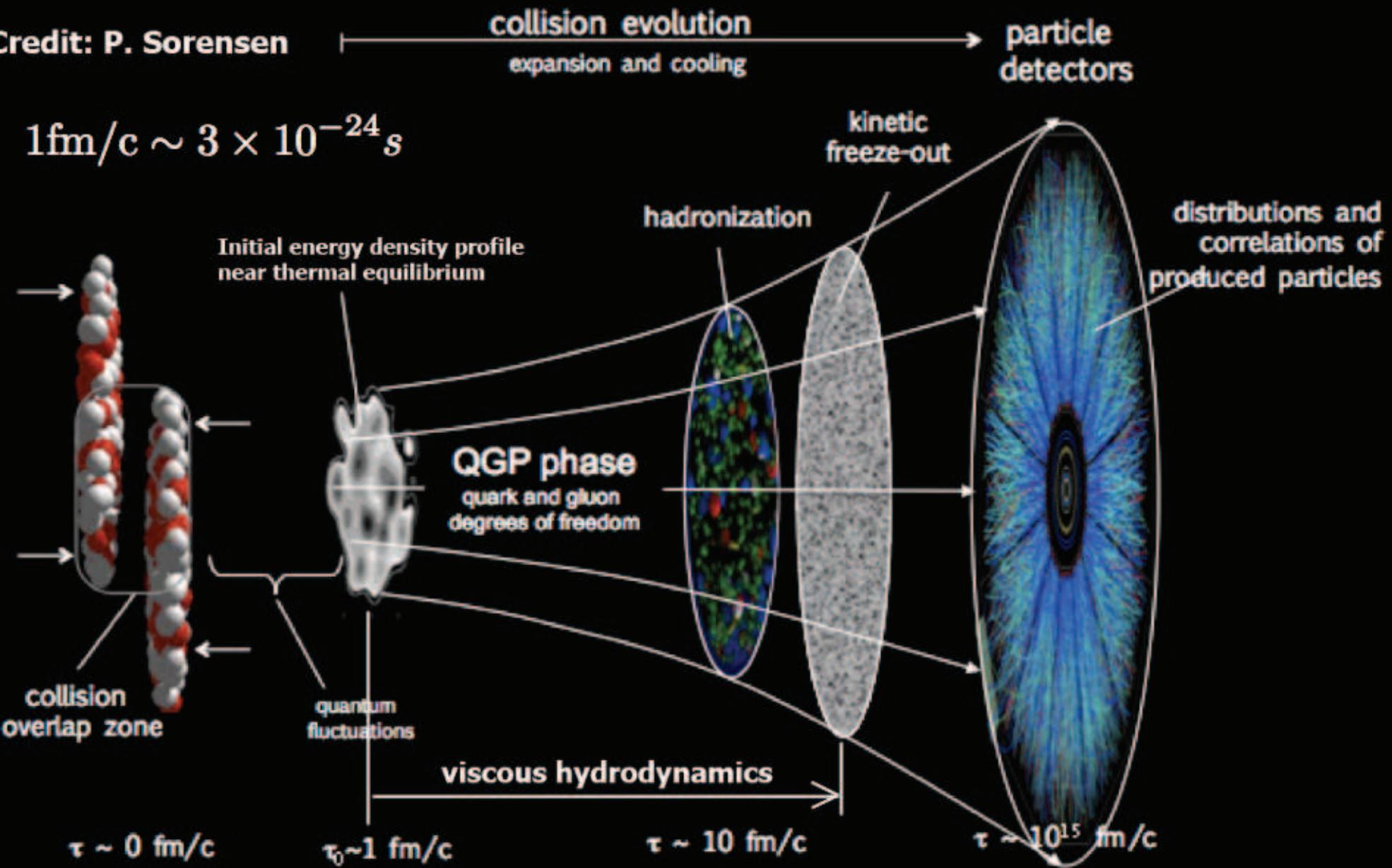


The Big Bang



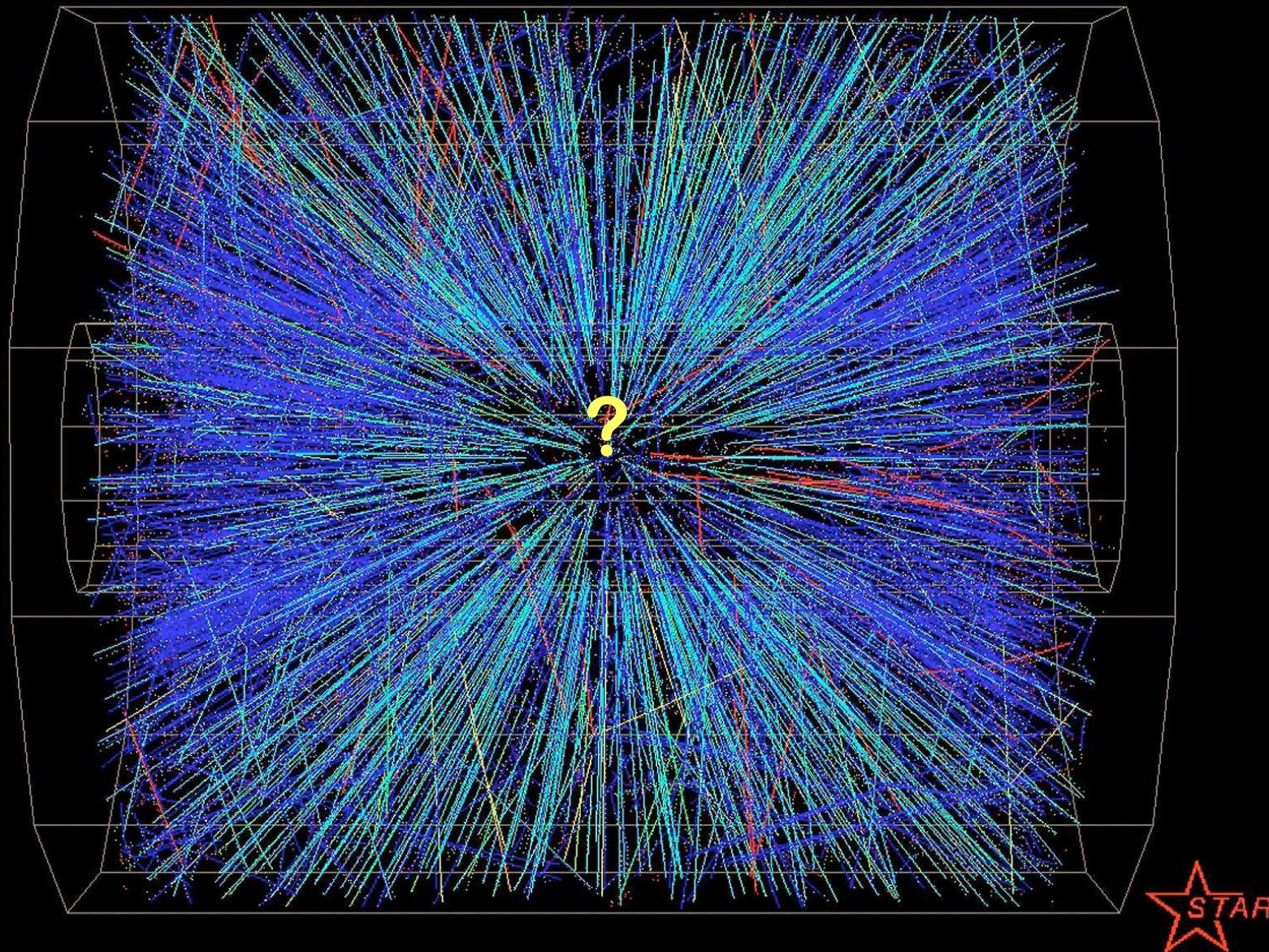
The Little Bang

Credit: P. Sorensen

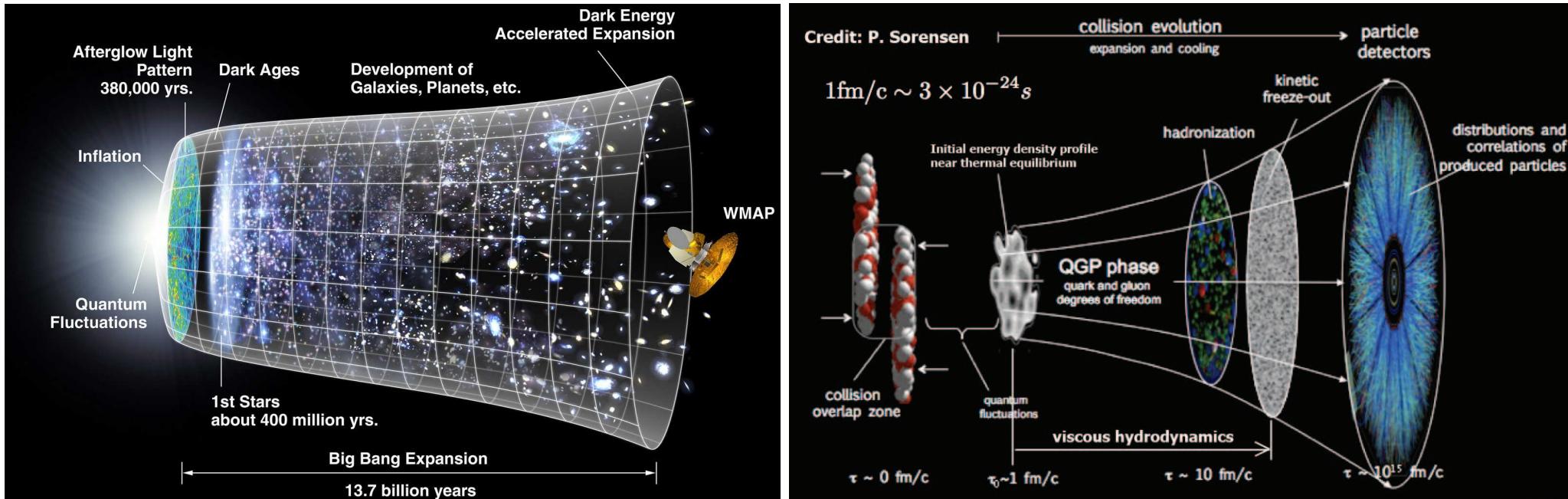


A Little Bang in the STAR Detector:

(100 AGeV) Au → ← (100 AGeV) Au



Big Bang vs. Little Bang

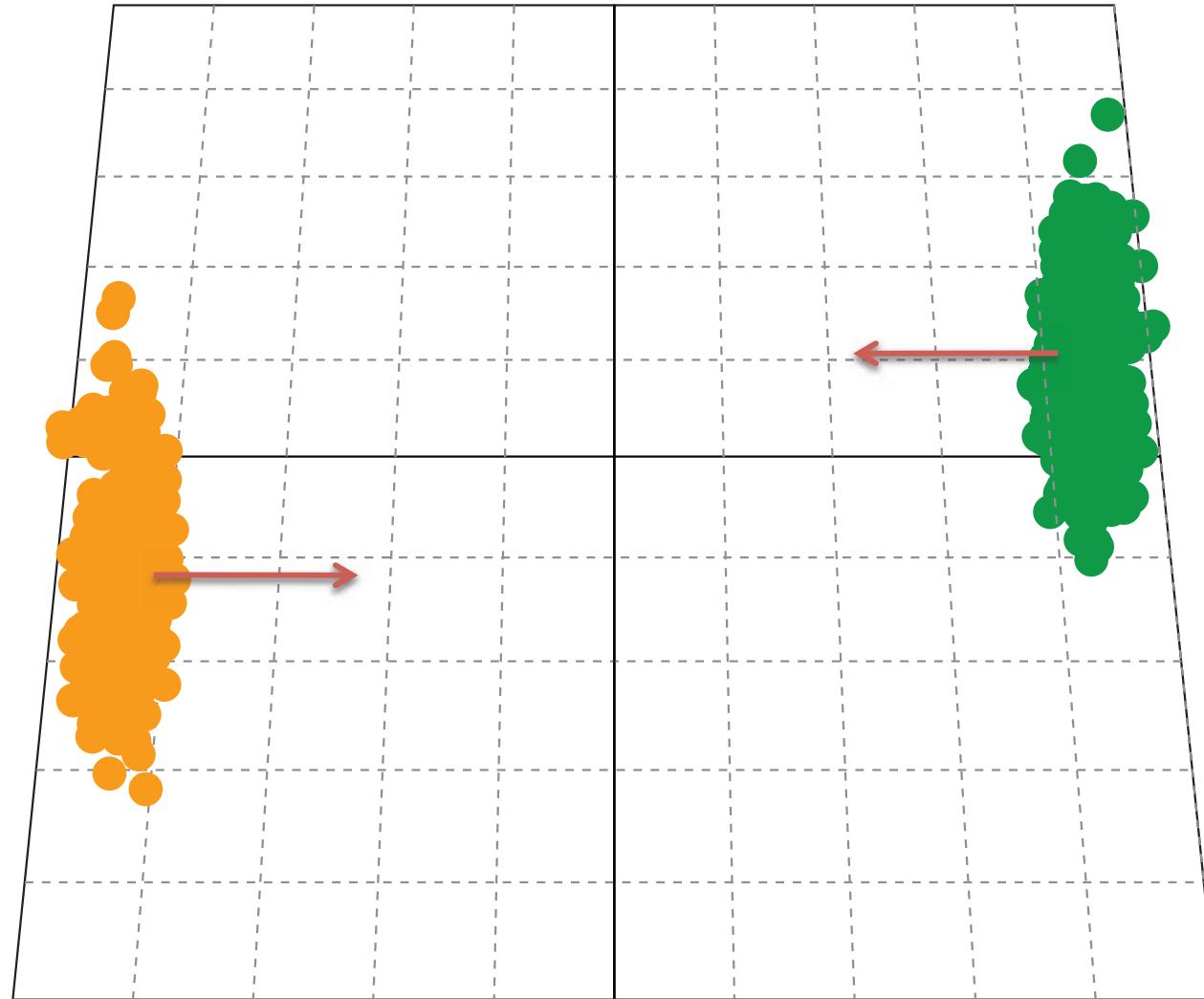


Similarities: Hubble-like expansion, expansion-driven dynamical freeze-out
chemical freeze-out (nucleo-/hadrosynthesis) before thermal freeze-out (CMB,
hadron p_T -spectra)
initial-state quantum fluctuations imprinted on final state

Differences: Expansion rates differ by 18 orders of magnitude
Expansion in 3d, not 4d; driven by pressure gradients, not gravity
Time scales measured in fm/c rather than billions of years
Distances measured in fm rather than light years
“Heavy-Ion Standard Model” still under construction \implies **this talk**

Relativistic Nucleus-Nucleus Collisions

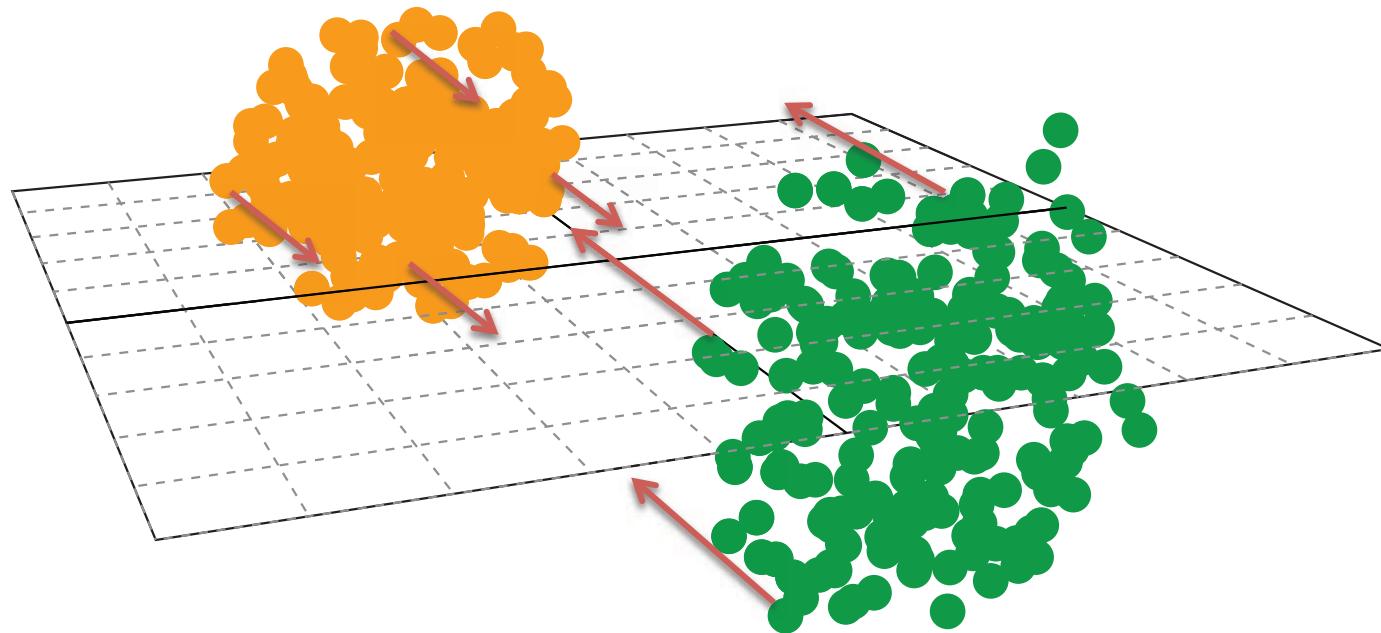
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Collision of two Lorentz contracted gold nuclei

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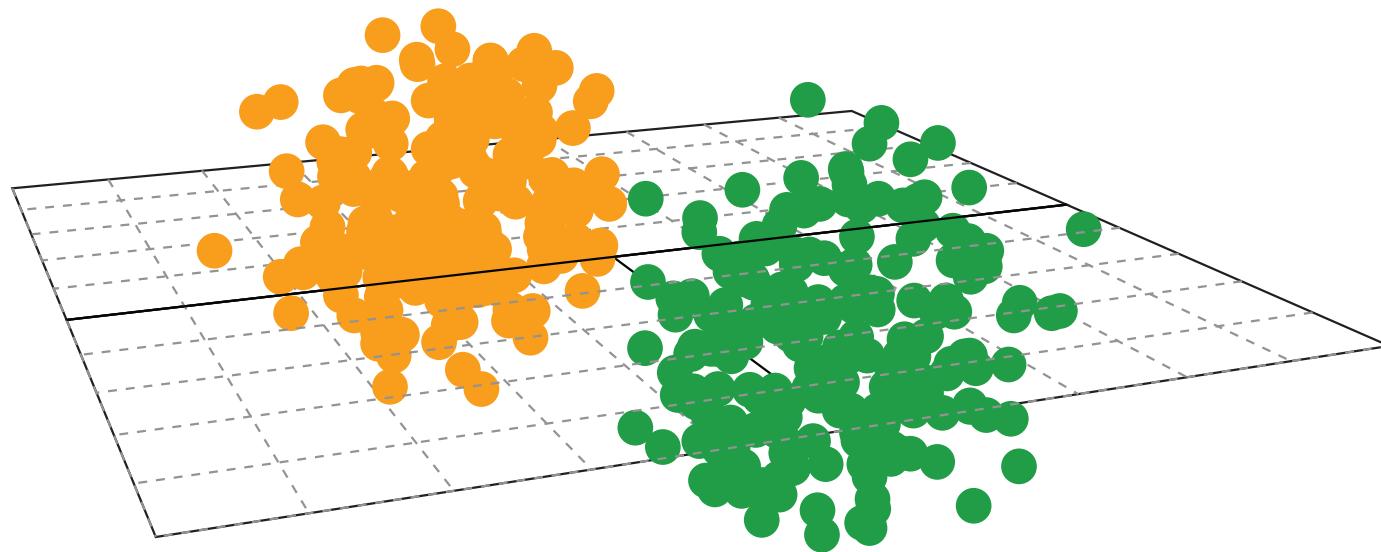
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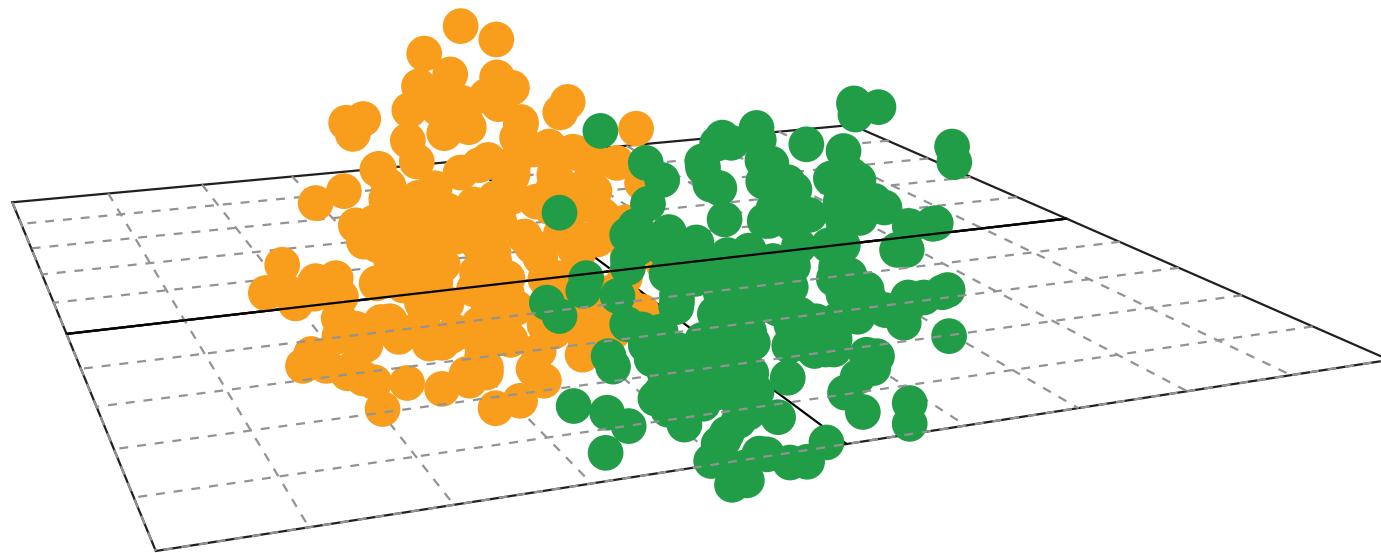
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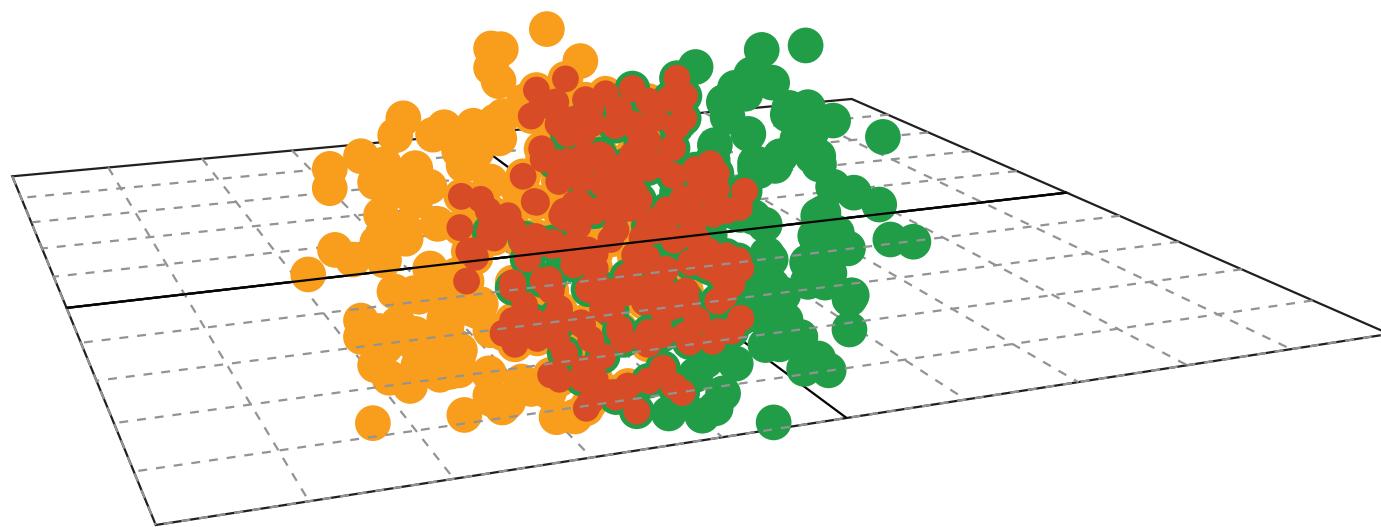
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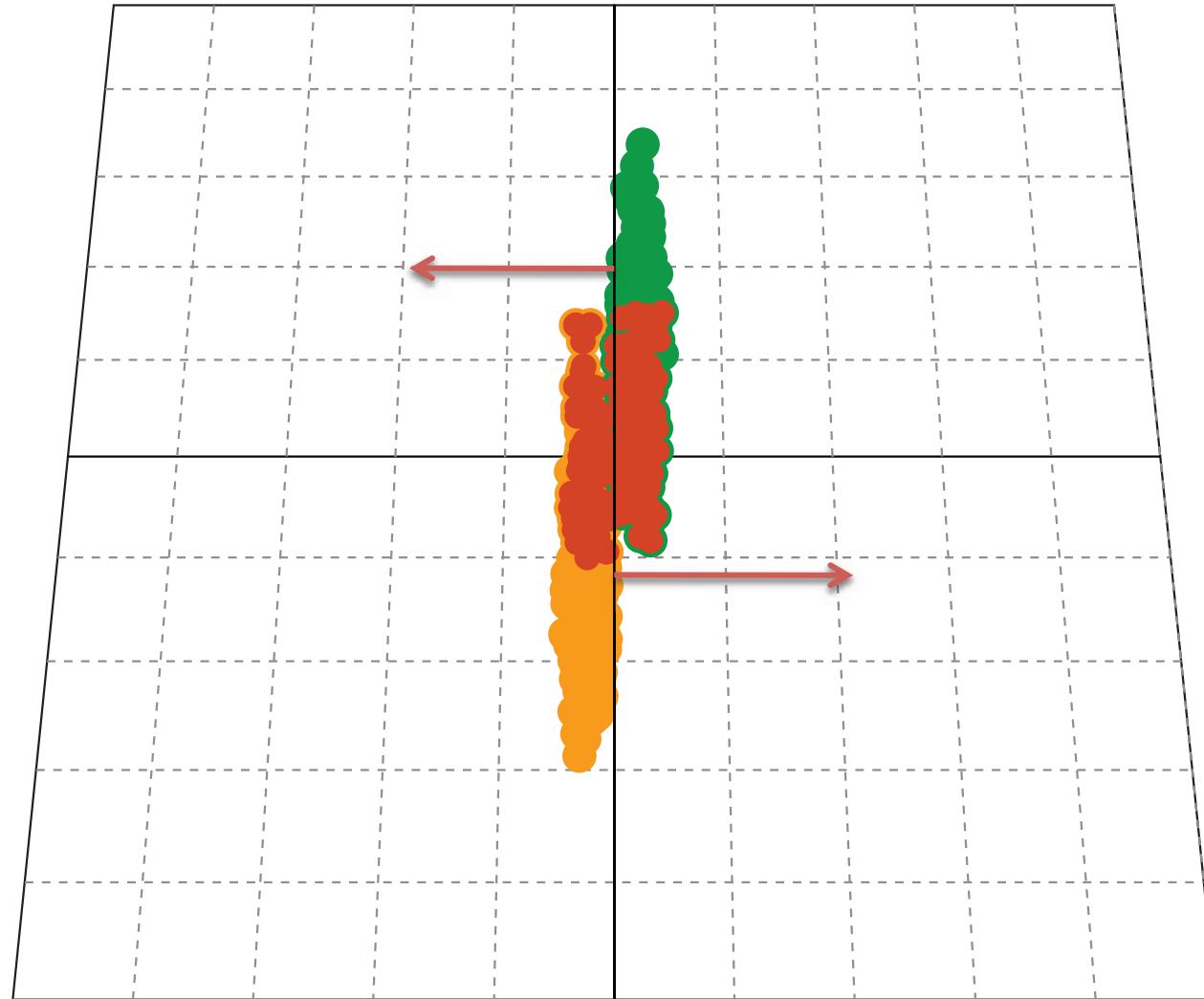
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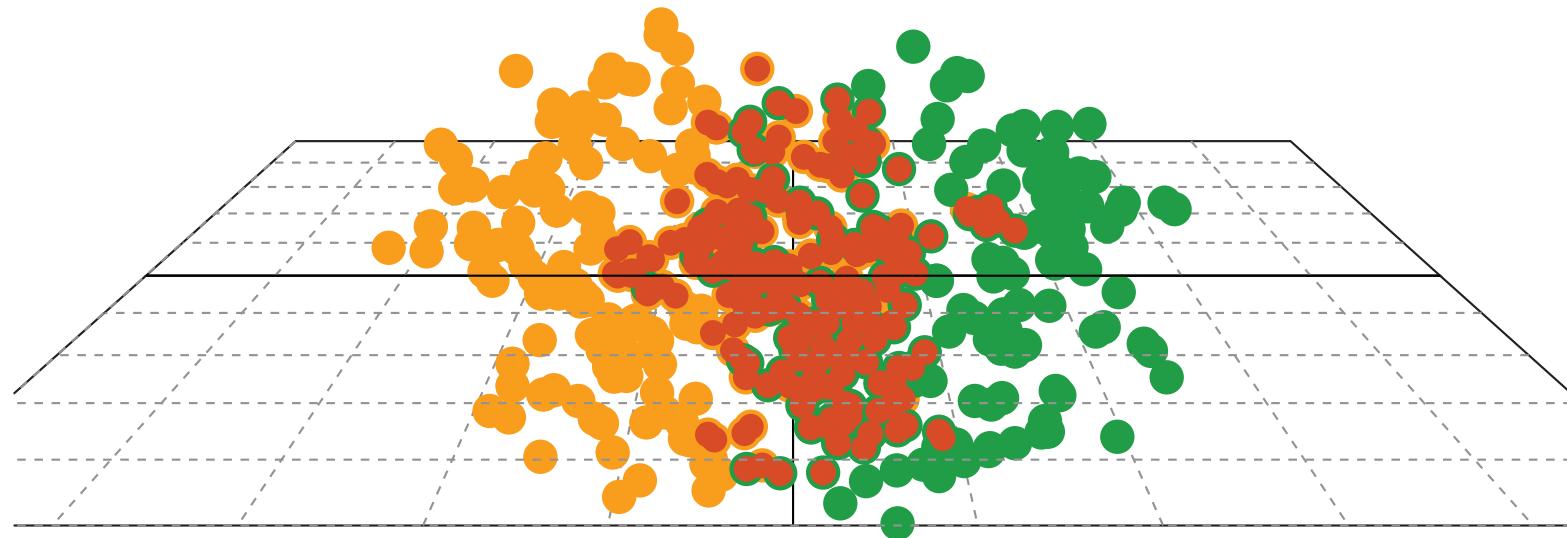
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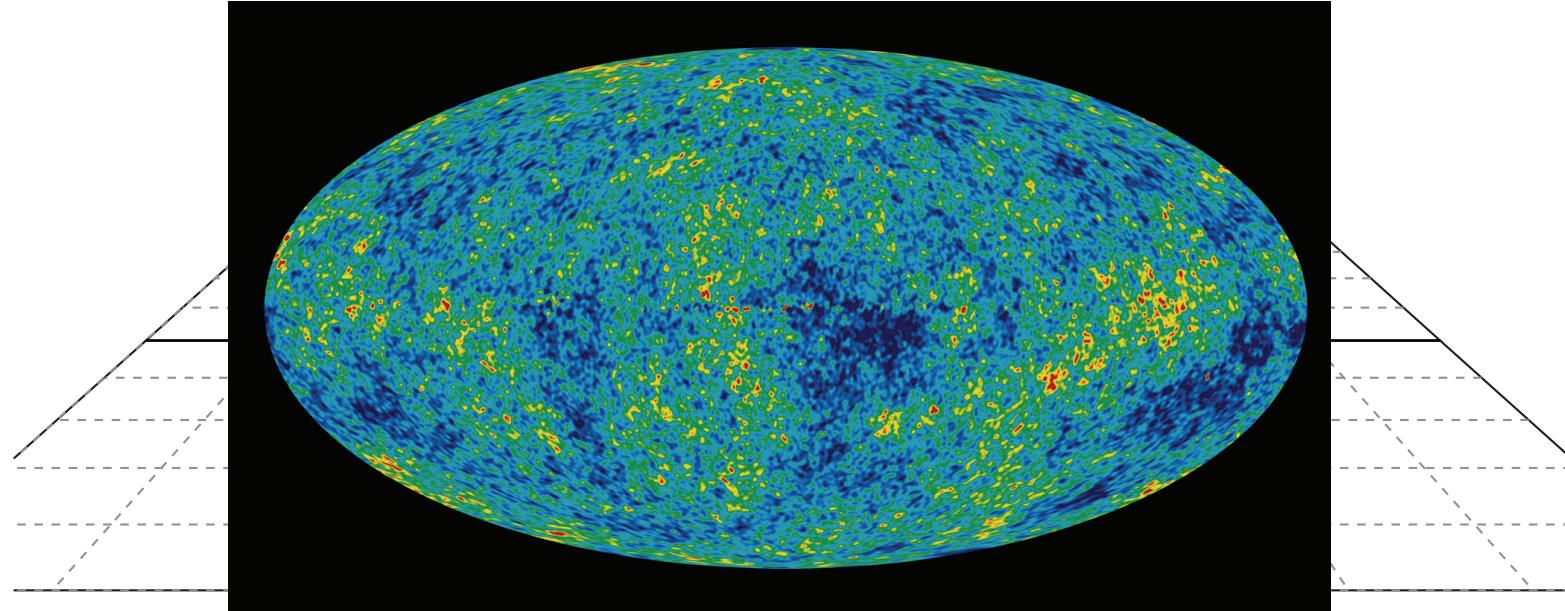


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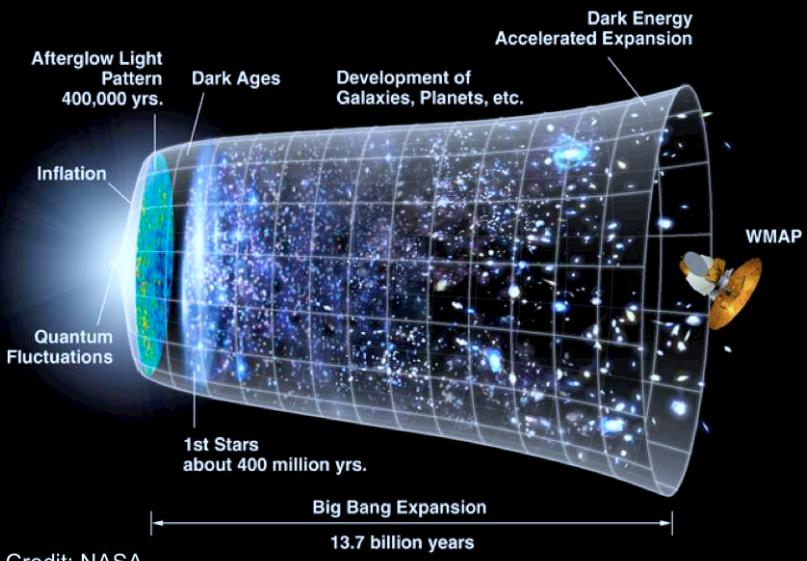


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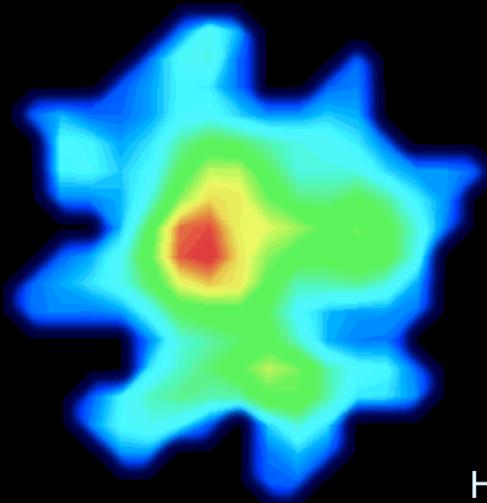
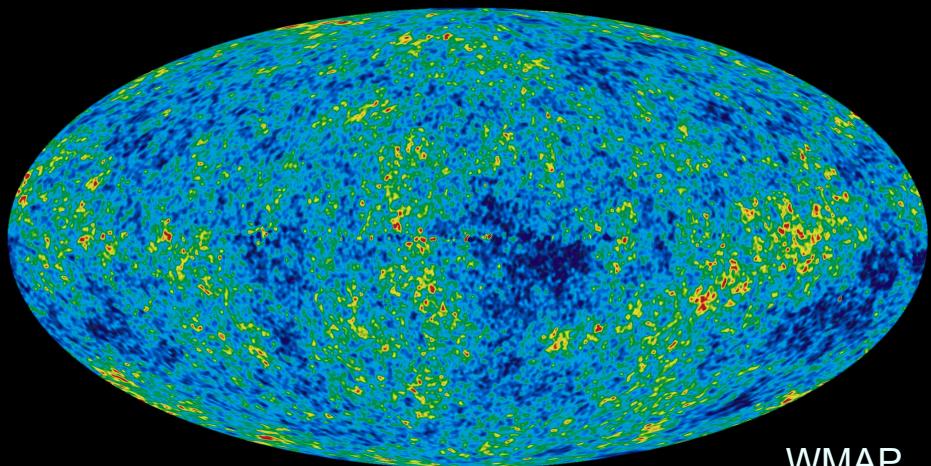
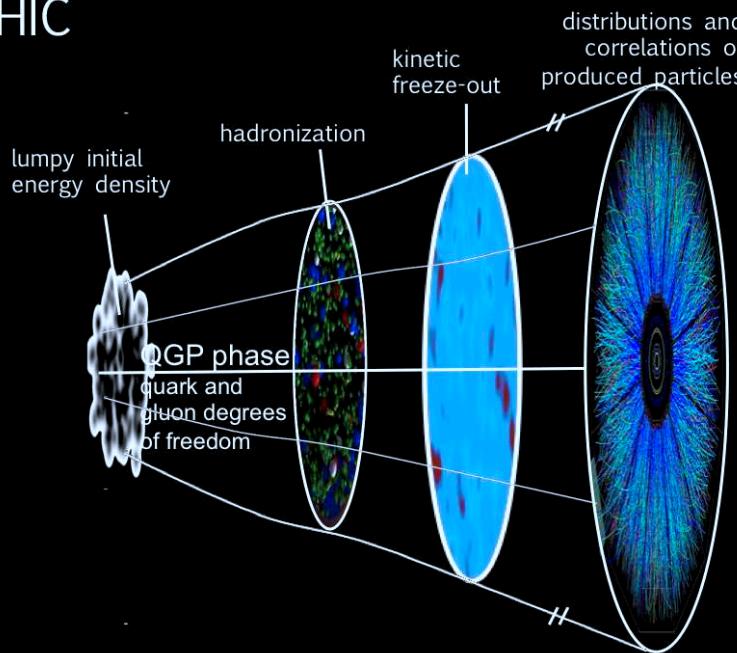
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The Big Bang vs the Little Bangs

The Universe



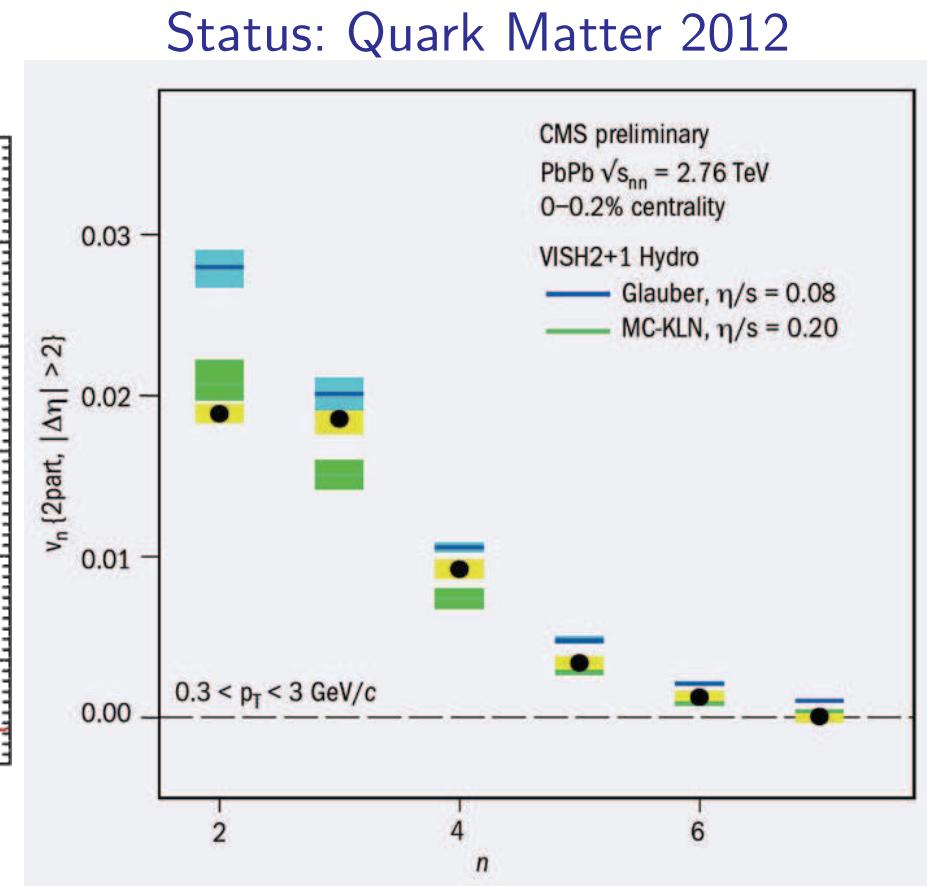
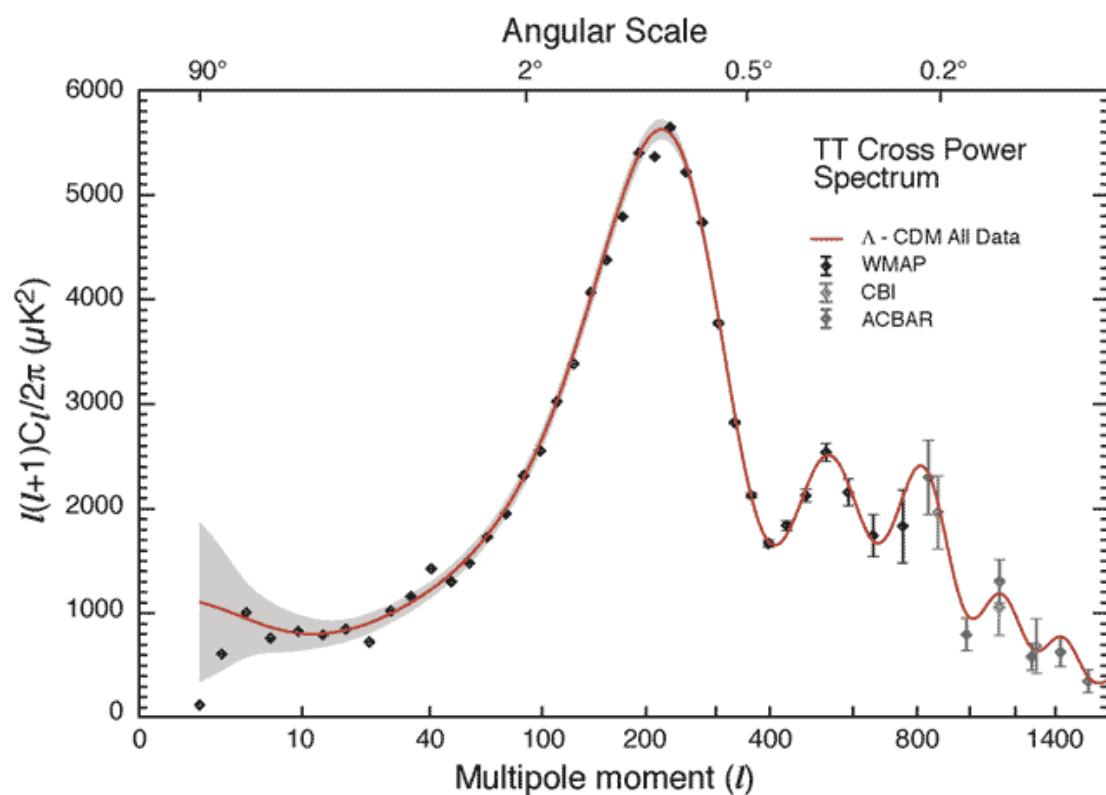
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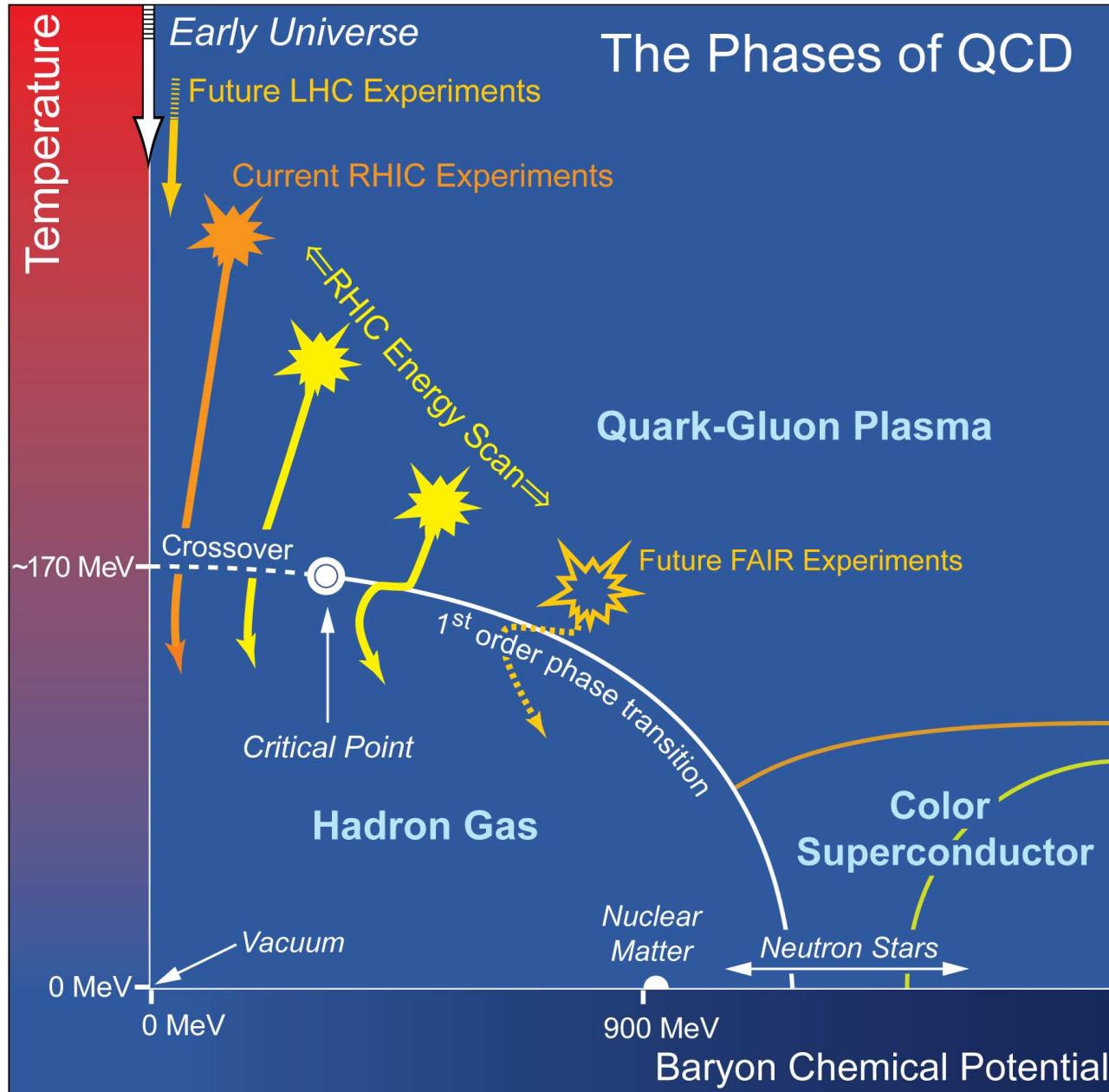
Big vs. Little Bang: The fluctuation power spectrum

Mishra, Mohapatra, Saumia, Srivastava, PRC77 (2008) 064902 and C81 (2010) 034903

Mocsy & Sorensen, NPA855 (2011) 241, PLB705 (2011) 71



The landscape of QCD matter: The future is now



Probes:

- Collective flow
- Jet modification and quenching
- Thermal electromagnetic radiation
- Critical fluctuations
- . . .

The University of Queensland pitch drop experiment



SI unit for shear viscosity:

$$[\eta] = \text{Poise} = \text{kg}/(\text{m} \cdot \text{s})$$

$$\eta_{\text{water}} = \mathcal{O}(10^{-2} \text{ Poise})$$

$$\eta_{\text{pitch}} \approx 2.3 \times 10^{11} \eta_{\text{water}} = \mathcal{O}(10^9 \text{ Poise})$$

(\sim one drop per decade –
next drop expected to fall in 2013!)

$$\eta_{\text{QGP}} \approx 10^3 \eta_{\text{pitch}} = \mathcal{O}(10^{12} \text{ Poise})$$

A measure of fluidity

$$\frac{\eta}{e+p} \times \partial \cdot u = \frac{\Gamma_{\text{exp}}}{\Gamma_{\text{sound}}} \sim \frac{\eta}{s} \frac{1}{T\tau}$$

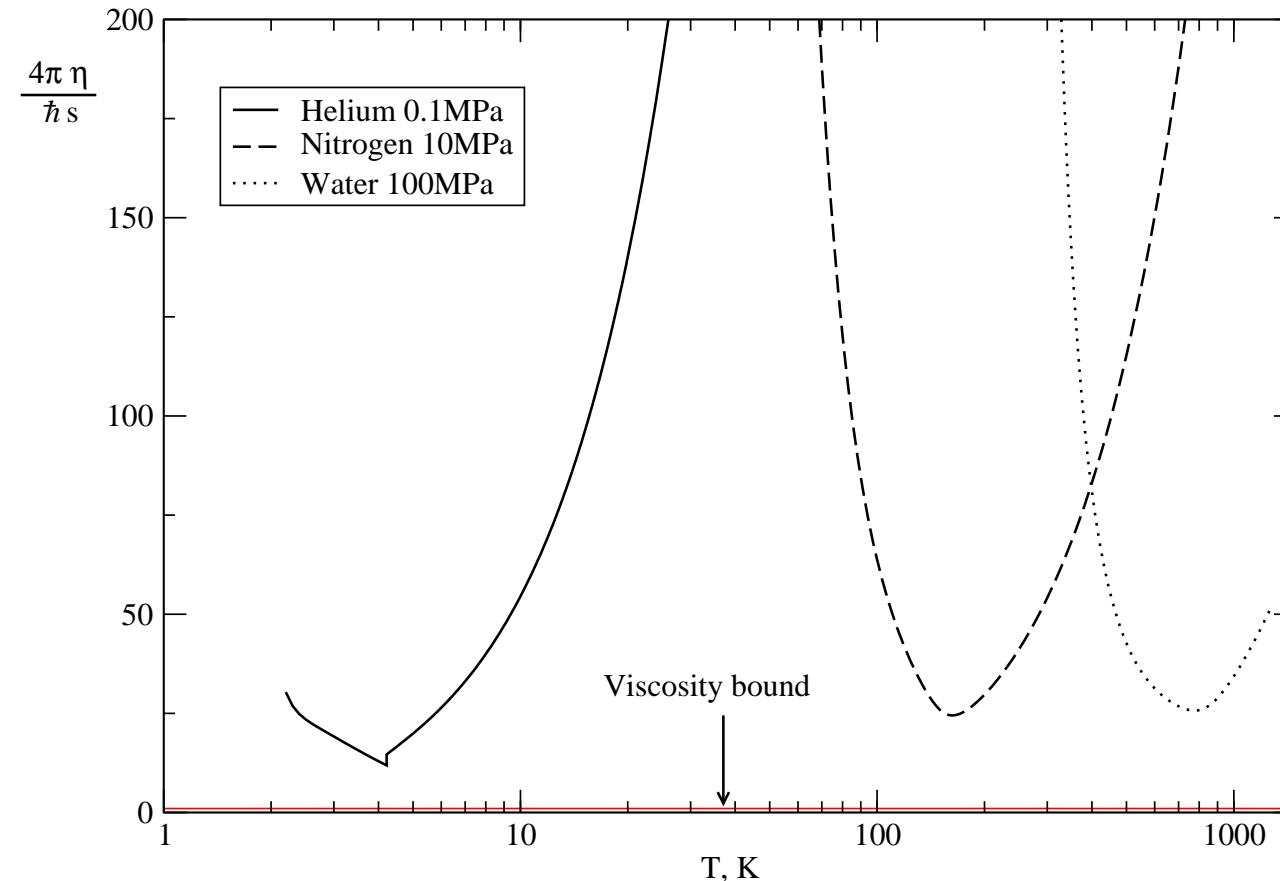
The **specific viscosity** η/s (s =entropy density) is conceptually related to the “kinematic viscosity” η/n in Navier-Stokes theory

QGP – the most perfectly fluid liquid ever observed!

AdS/CFT universal lower viscosity bound conjecture:

$$\frac{\eta}{s} \gtrsim \frac{\hbar}{4\pi k_B}$$

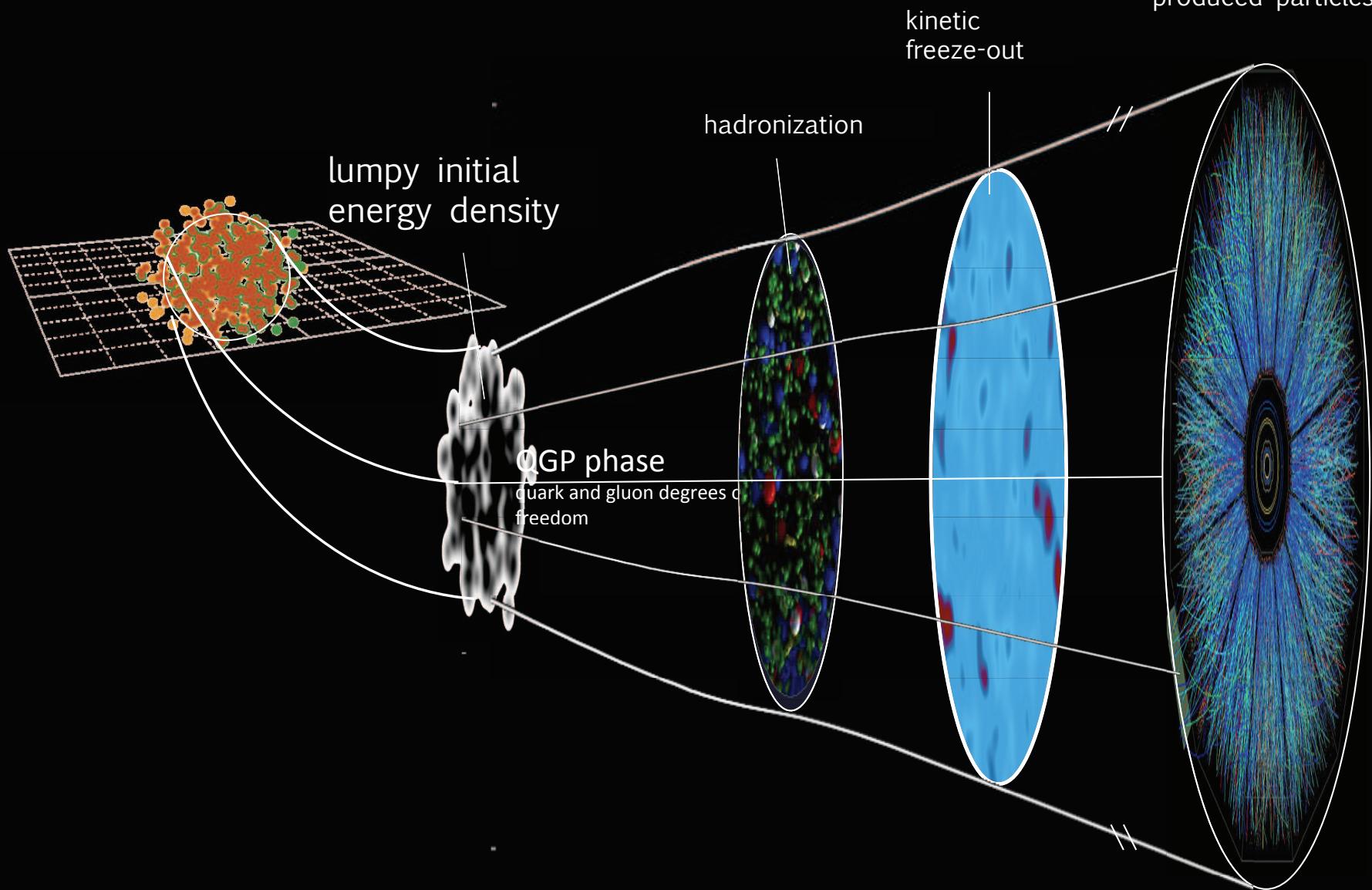
Kovtun, Son, Starinets, PRL 94 (2005) 111601



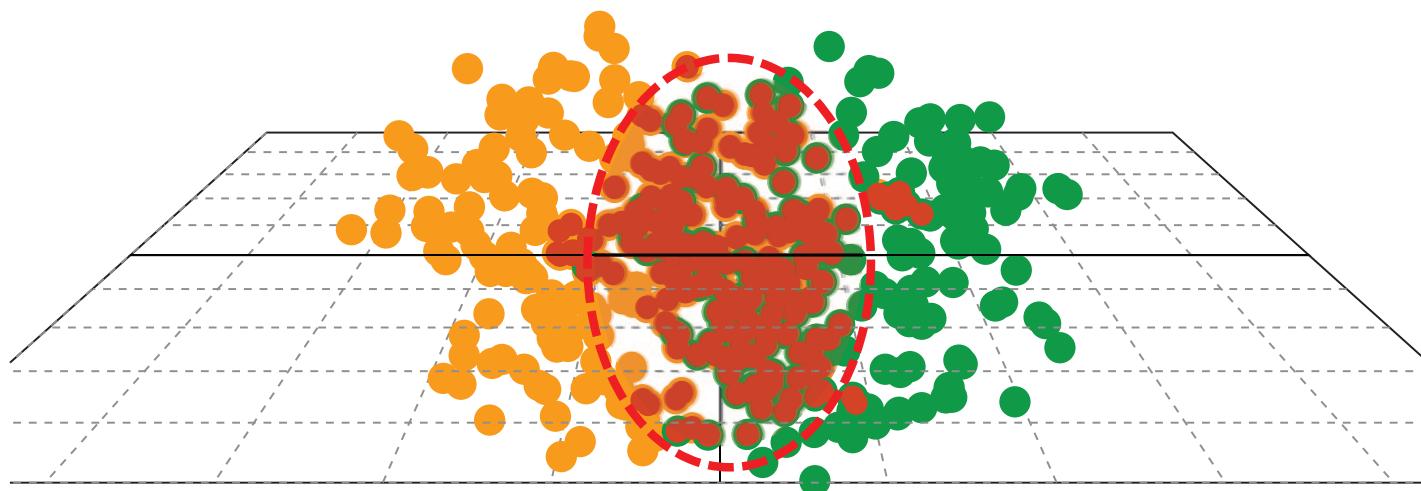
Will show that the QGP viscosity is close to this bound!

Expansion of the Little Bang

distributions and
correlations of
produced particles

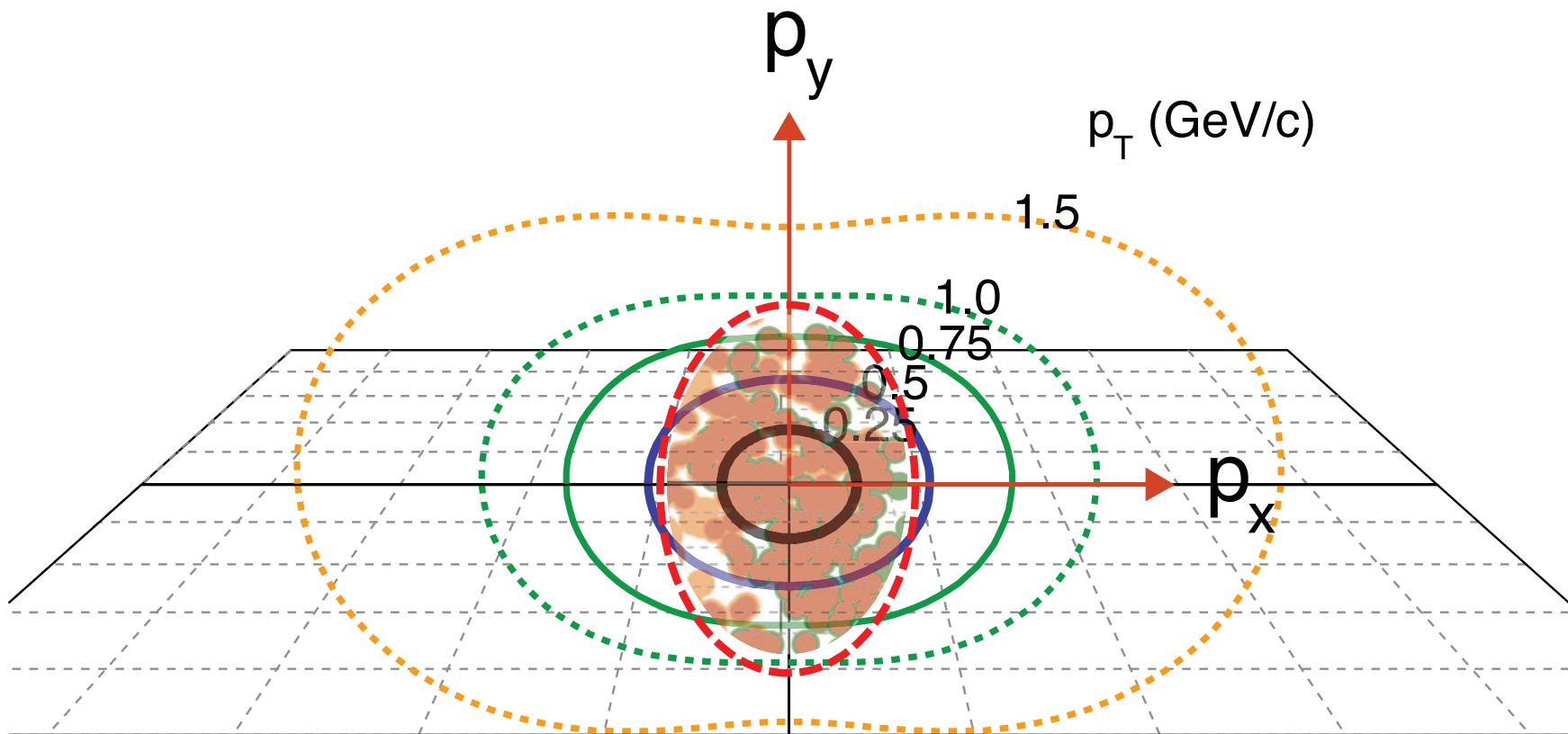


Azimuthal Distributions: x-space



Are particles emitted at random angles?
No. They remember the initial geometry!

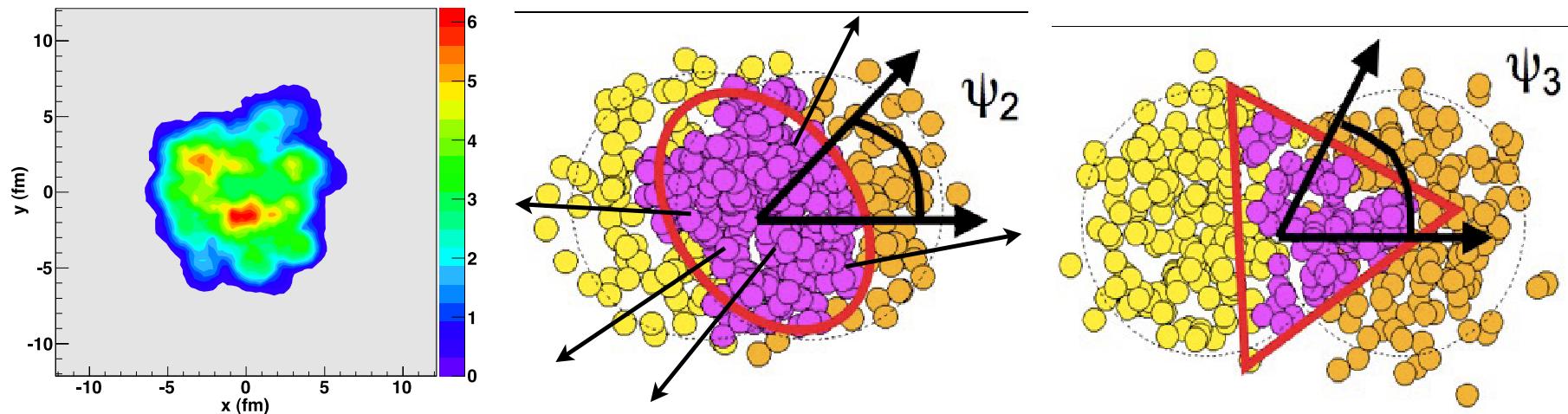
Azimuthal Distributions: p-space



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Event-by-event shape and flow fluctuations rule!

(Alver and Roland, PRC81 (2010) 054905)



- Each event has a different initial shape and density distribution, characterized by different set of harmonic eccentricity coefficients ε_n
- Each event develops its individual hydrodynamic flow, characterized by a set of harmonic flow coefficients v_n and flow angles ψ_n
- At small impact parameters fluctuations (“hot spots”) dominate over geometric overlap effects
(Alver & Roland, PRC81 (2010) 054905; Qin, Petersen, Bass, Müller, PRC82 (2010) 064903)

How anisotropic flow is measured:

Definition of flow coefficients:

$$\frac{dN^{(i)}}{dy p_T dp_T d\phi_p}(b) = \frac{dN^{(i)}}{dy p_T dp_T}(b) \left(1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathbf{v}_n^{(i)}(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{p}_T; \mathbf{b}) \cos(n(\phi_p - \Psi_n^{(i)})) \right).$$

Define event average $\{\dots\}$, ensemble average $\langle\dots\rangle$

Flow coefficients \mathbf{v}_n typically extracted from azimuthal correlations (k -particle cumulants). E.g. $k = 2, 4$:

$$c_n\{2\} = \langle \{e^{ni(\phi_1 - \phi_2)}\} \rangle = \langle \{e^{ni(\phi_1 - \psi_n)}\} \{e^{-ni(\phi_2 - \psi_n)}\} + \delta_2 \rangle = \langle v_n^2 + \delta_2 \rangle$$
$$c_n\{4\} = \langle \{e^{ni(\phi_1 + \phi_2 - \phi_3 - \phi_4)}\} \rangle - 2\langle \{e^{ni(\phi_1 - \phi_2)}\} \rangle = \langle -v_n^4 + \delta_4 \rangle$$

v_n is correlated with the event plane while δ_n is not ("non-flow"). $\delta_2 \sim 1/M$, $\delta_4 \sim 1/M^3$.
4th-order cumulant is free of 2-particle non-flow correlations.

These measures are affected by event-by-event flow fluctuations:

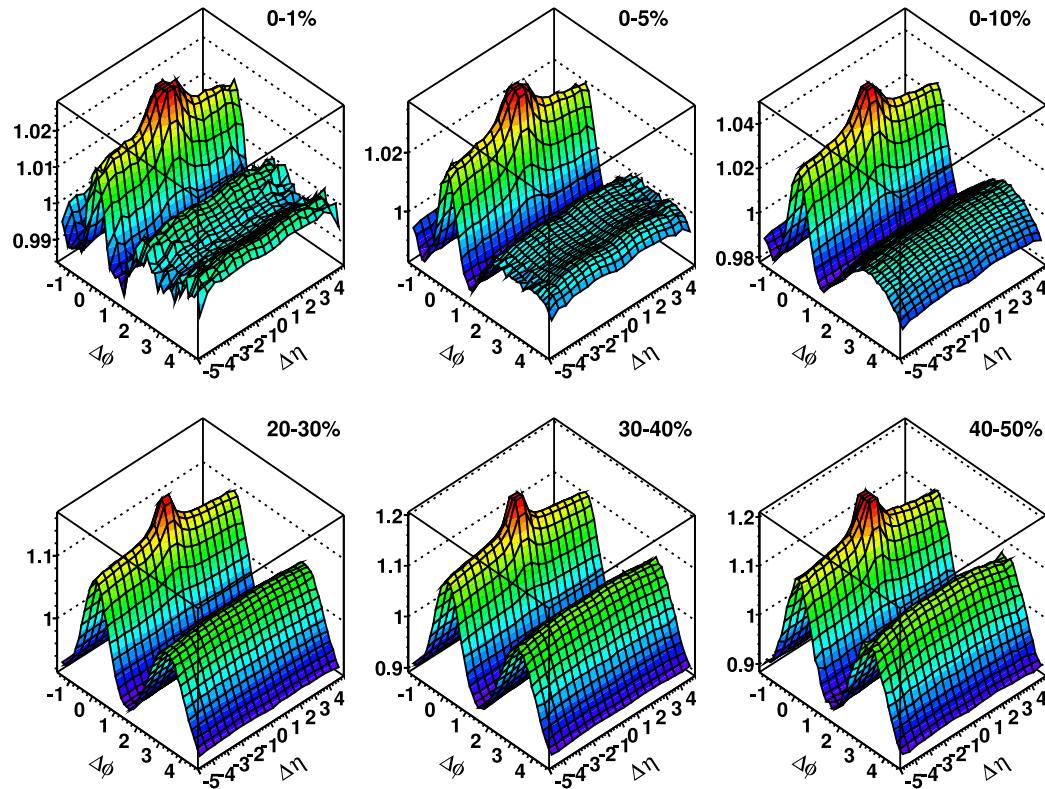
$$\langle v_2^2 \rangle = \langle v_2 \rangle^2 + \sigma^2, \quad \langle v_2^4 \rangle = \langle v_2 \rangle^4 + 6\sigma^2 \langle v_2 \rangle^2$$

$\mathbf{v}_n\{k\}$ denotes the value of v_n extracted from the k^{th} -order cumulant:

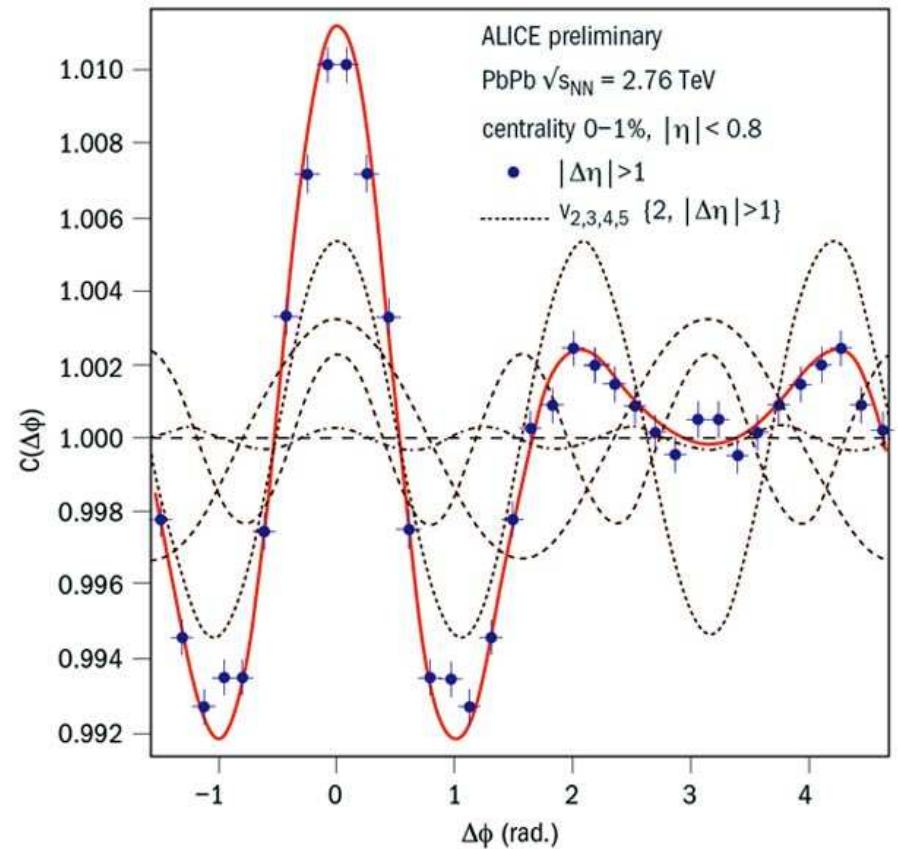
$$v_2\{2\} = \sqrt{\langle v_2^2 \rangle}, \quad v_2\{4\} = \sqrt[4]{2\langle v_2^2 \rangle^2 - \langle v_2^4 \rangle}$$

Panta rhei: “soft ridge”=“Mach cone”=flow!

ATLAS (J. Jia), Quark Matter 2011

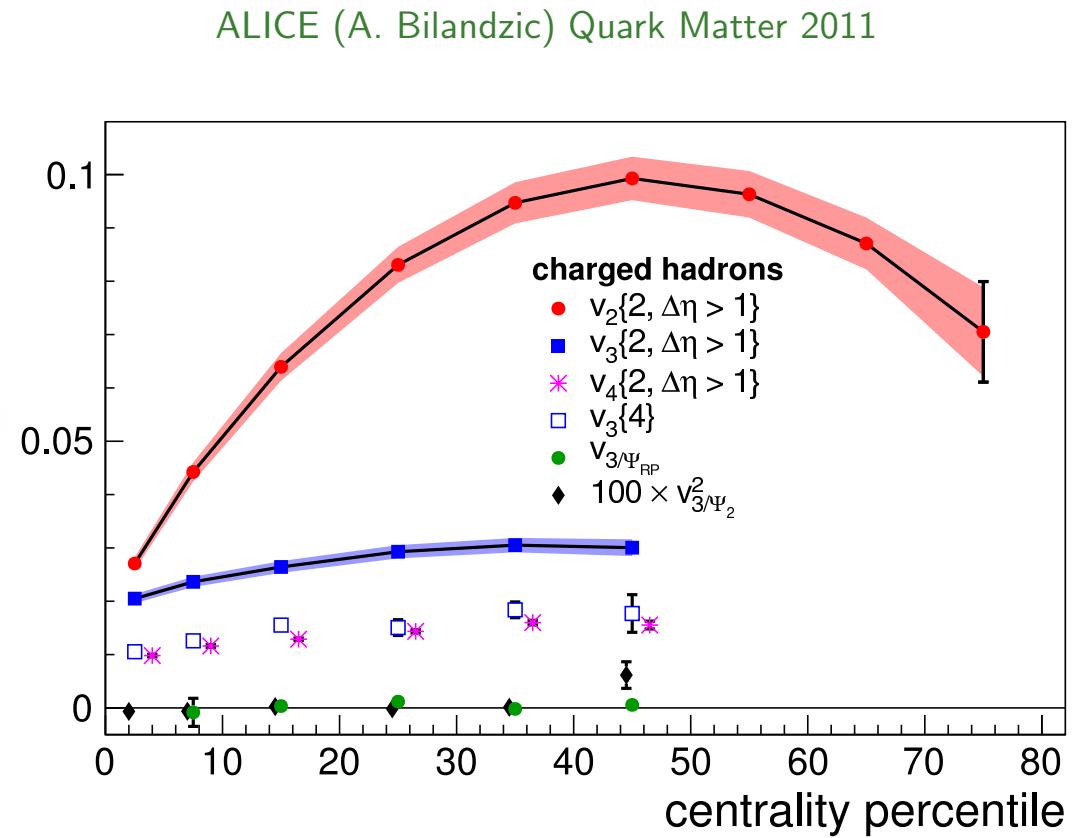
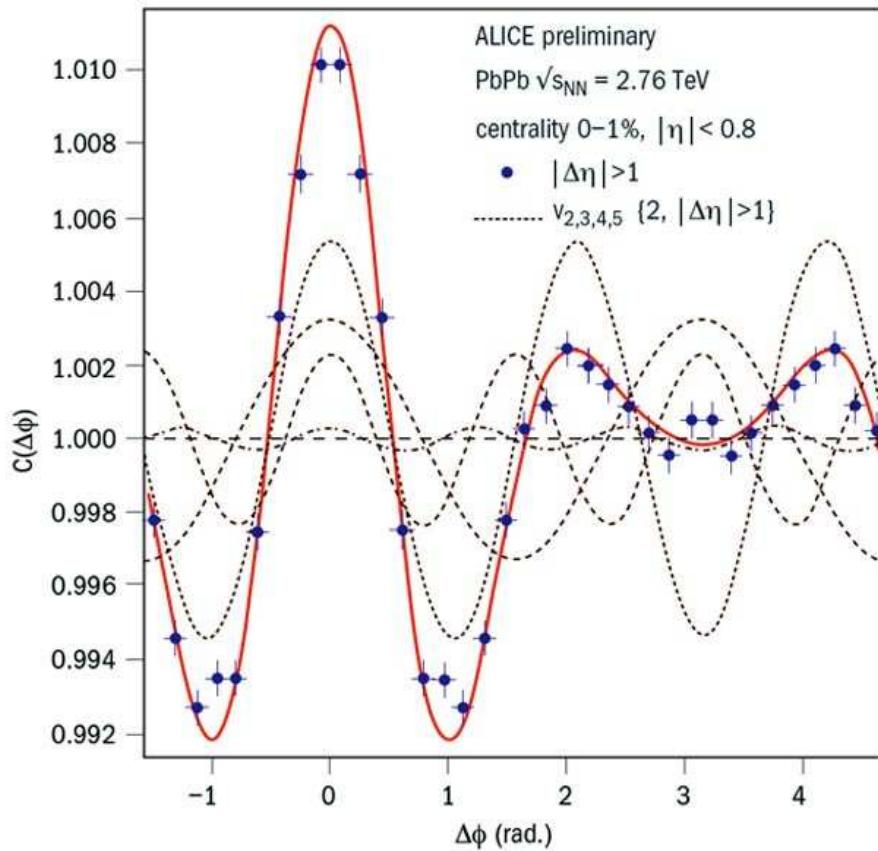


ALICE (J. Grosse-Oetringhaus), QM11



- anisotropic flow coefficients v_n and flow angles ψ_n correlated over large rapidity range!
M. Luzum, PLB 696 (2011) 499: All long-range rapidity correlations seen at RHIC are consistent with being entirely generated by hydrodynamic flow.
- in the 1% most central collisions $v_3 > v_2$
⇒ prominent “Mach cone”-like structure!
⇒ event-by-event eccentricity fluctuations dominate!

Event-by-event shape and flow fluctuations rule!



- in the 1% most central collisions $v_3 > v_2 \implies$ prominent “Mach cone”-like structure!
- triangular flow angle uncorrelated with reaction plane and elliptic flow angles
 \implies due to event-by-event eccentricity fluctuations which dominate the anisotropic flows in the most central collisions

Viscous relativistic hydrodynamics (Israel & Stewart 1979)

Include shear viscosity η , neglect bulk viscosity (massless partons) and heat conduction ($\mu_B \approx 0$); solve

$$\partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0$$

with modified energy momentum tensor

$$T^{\mu\nu}(x) = (e(x)+p(x))u^\mu(x)u^\nu(x) - g^{\mu\nu}p(x) + \pi^{\mu\nu}.$$

$\pi^{\mu\nu}$ = traceless viscous pressure tensor which relaxes locally to 2η times the shear tensor $\nabla^{\langle\mu} u^{\nu\rangle}$ on a microscopic kinetic time scale τ_π :

$$D\pi^{\mu\nu} = -\frac{1}{\tau_\pi} (\pi^{\mu\nu} - 2\eta \nabla^{\langle\mu} u^{\nu\rangle}) + \dots$$

where $D \equiv u^\mu \partial_\mu$ is the time derivative in the local rest frame.

Kinetic theory relates η and τ_π , but for a strongly coupled QGP neither η nor this relation are known \implies treat η and τ_π as independent phenomenological parameters.

For consistency: $\tau_\pi \theta \ll 1$ ($\theta = \partial^\mu u_\mu$ = local expansion rate).

Converting initial shape
fluctuations into
final flow anisotropies –
the QGP shear viscosity

$$(\eta/s)_{\text{QGP}}$$

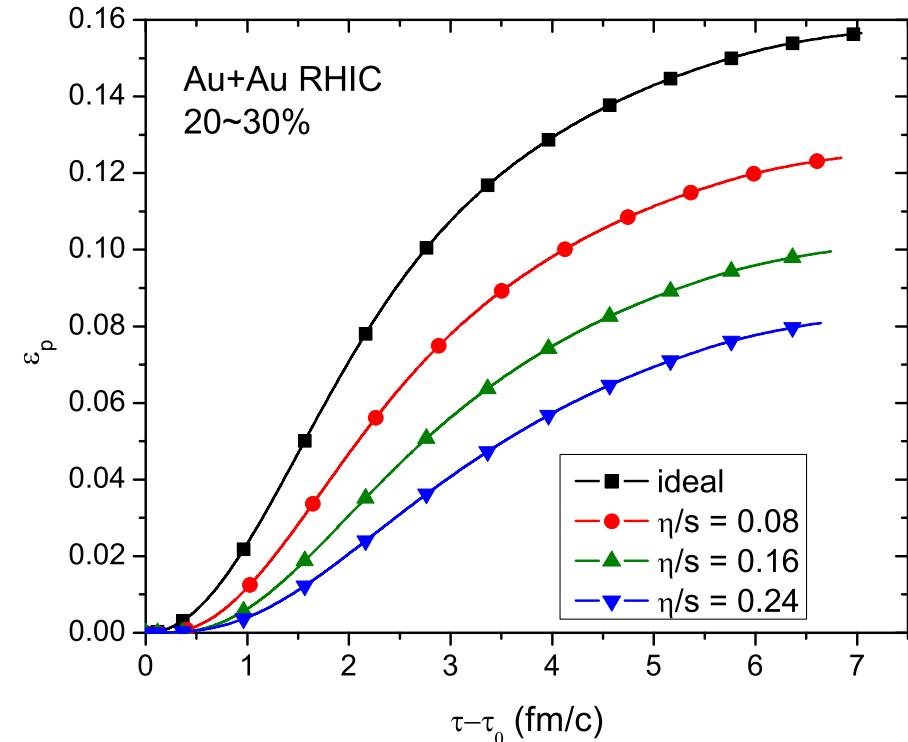
How to use elliptic flow for measuring $(\eta/s)_{\text{QGP}}$

Hydrodynamics converts
spatial deformation of initial state \Rightarrow
momentum anisotropy of final state,
through anisotropic pressure gradients

Shear viscosity degrades conversion efficiency

$$\varepsilon_x = \frac{\langle\langle y^2 - x^2 \rangle\rangle}{\langle\langle y^2 + x^2 \rangle\rangle} \implies \varepsilon_p = \frac{\langle T^{xx} - T^{yy} \rangle}{\langle T^{xx} + T^{yy} \rangle}$$

of the fluid; the suppression of ε_p is monotonically related to η/s .



The observable that is most directly related to the total hydrodynamic momentum anisotropy ε_p is the **total (p_T -integrated) charged hadron elliptic flow v_2^{ch}** :

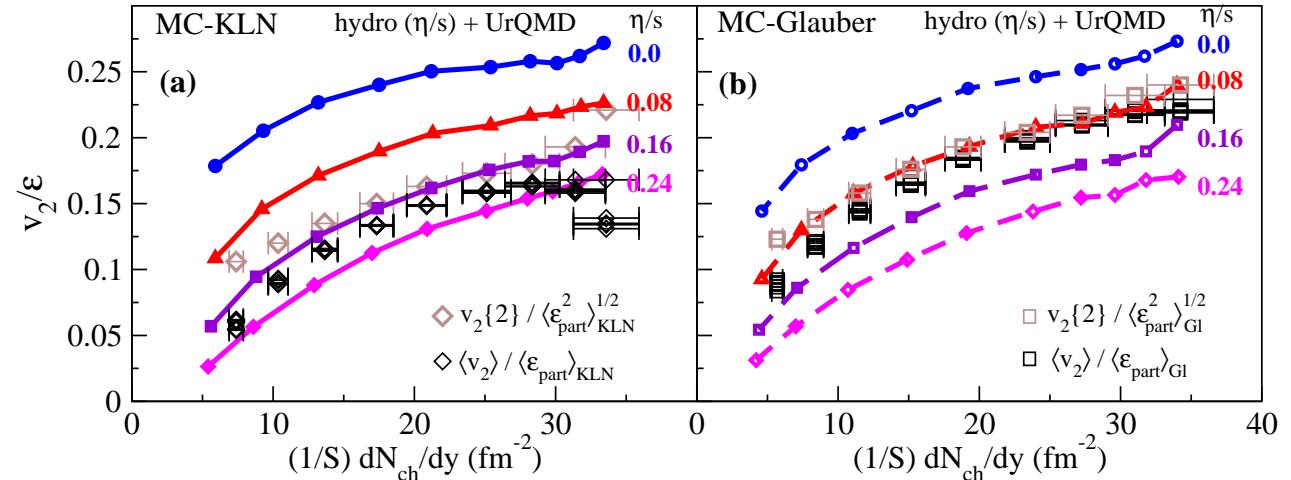
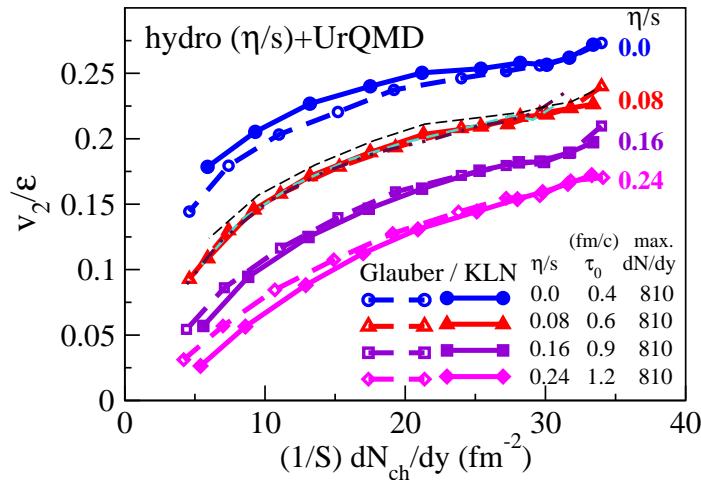
$$\varepsilon_p = \frac{\langle T^{xx} - T^{yy} \rangle}{\langle T^{xx} + T^{yy} \rangle} \iff \frac{\sum_i \int p_T dp_T \int d\phi_p p_T^2 \cos(2\phi_p) \frac{dN_i}{dy p_T dp_T d\phi_p}}{\sum_i \int p_T dp_T \int d\phi_p p_T^2 \frac{dN_i}{dy p_T dp_T d\phi_p}} \iff v_2^{\text{ch}}$$

How to use elliptic flow for measuring $(\eta/s)_{\text{QGP}}$ (ctd.)

- If ε_p **saturates** before hadronization (e.g. in PbPb@LHC (?))
 - ⇒ $v_2^{\text{ch}} \approx$ not affected by details of hadronic rescattering below T_c
but: $v_2^{(i)}(p_T)$, $\frac{dN_i}{dy d^2 p_T}$ change during hadronic phase (addl. radial flow!), and these changes depend on details of the hadronic dynamics (chemical composition etc.)
 - ⇒ $v_2(p_T)$ of a single particle species **not** a good starting point for extracting η/s
- If ε_p **does not saturate** before hadronization (e.g. AuAu@RHIC), dissipative hadronic dynamics affects not only the distribution of ε_p over hadronic species and in p_T , but even the final value of ε_p itself (from which we want to get η/s)
 - ⇒ need hybrid code that couples viscous hydrodynamic evolution of QGP to **realistic microscopic dynamics** of late-stage hadron gas phase
 - ⇒ **VISHNU** (“Viscous Israel-Stewart Hydrodynamics ‘n’ UrQMD”)
 - (Song, Bass, UH, PRC83 (2011) 024912) Note: this paper shows that UrQMD \neq viscous hydro!

Extraction of $(\eta/s)_{\text{QGP}}$ from AuAu@RHIC

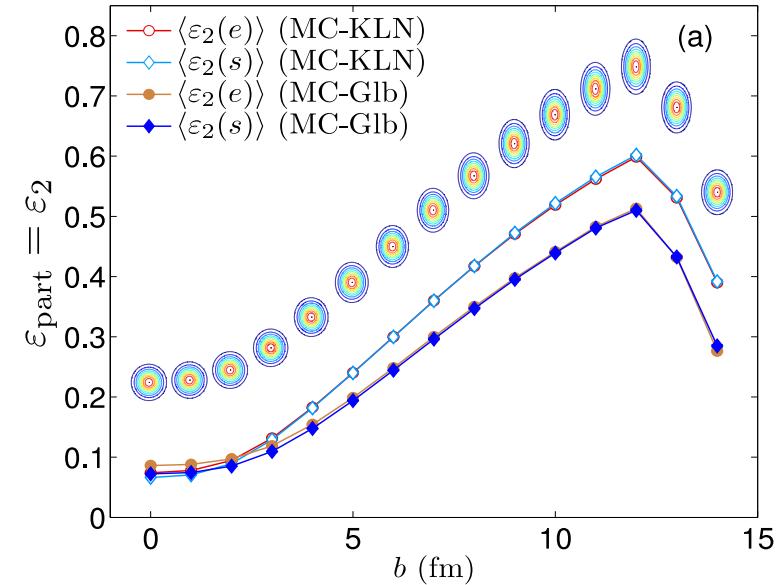
H. Song, S.A. Bass, UH, T. Hirano, C. Shen, PRL106 (2011) 192301



$$1 < 4\pi(\eta/s)_{\text{QGP}} < 2.5$$

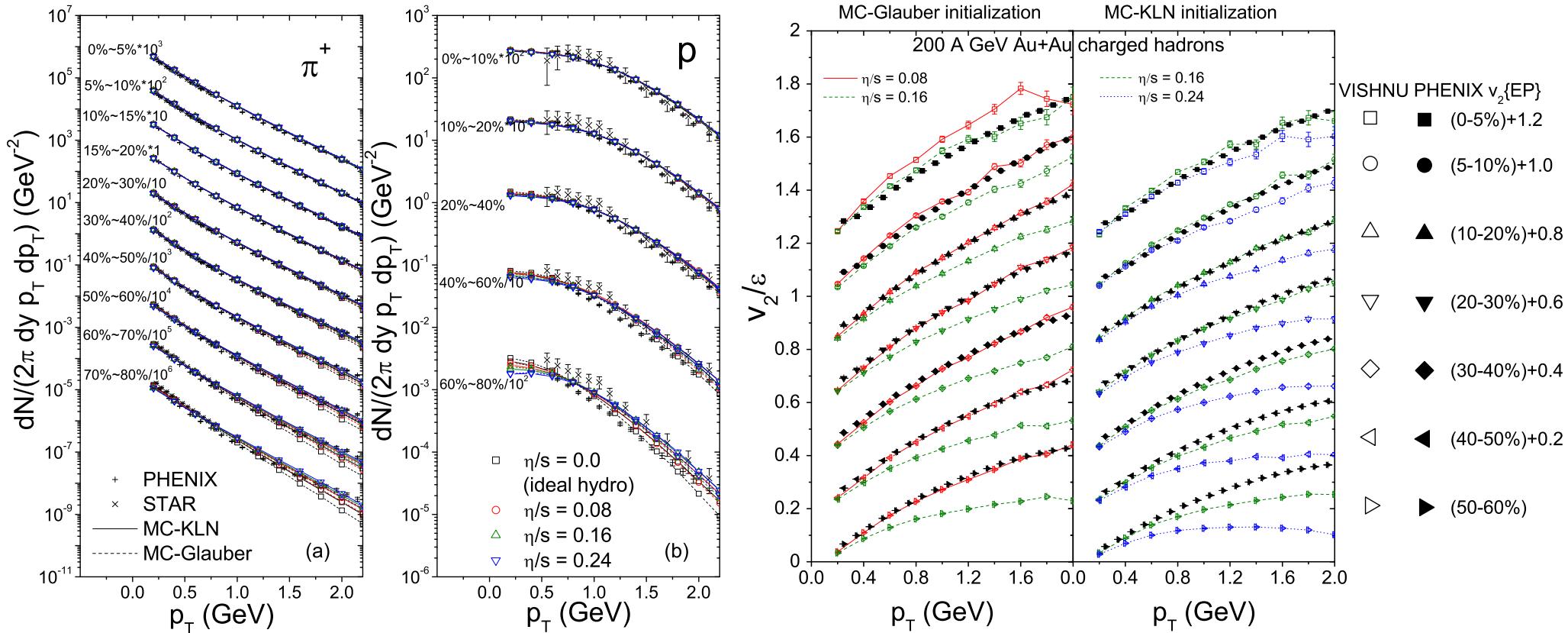
- All shown theoretical curves correspond to parameter sets that correctly describe centrality dependence of charged hadron production as well as p_T -spectra of charged hadrons, pions and protons at all centralities
- $v_2^{\text{ch}}/\varepsilon_x$ vs. $(1/S)(dN_{\text{ch}}/dy)$ is “universal”, i.e. depends **only on** η/s but (in good approximation) not on initial-state model (Glauber vs. KLN, optical vs. MC, RP vs. PP average, etc.)
- dominant source of uncertainty: $\varepsilon_x^{\text{Gl}}$ vs. $\varepsilon_x^{\text{KLN}}$ →
- smaller effects: *early flow* → increases $\frac{v_2}{\varepsilon}$ by \sim few % → larger η/s
bulk viscosity → affects $v_2^{\text{ch}}(p_T)$, but \approx not v_2^{ch}

Zhi Qiu, UH, PRC84 (2011) 024911



Global description of AuAu@RHIC spectra and v_2

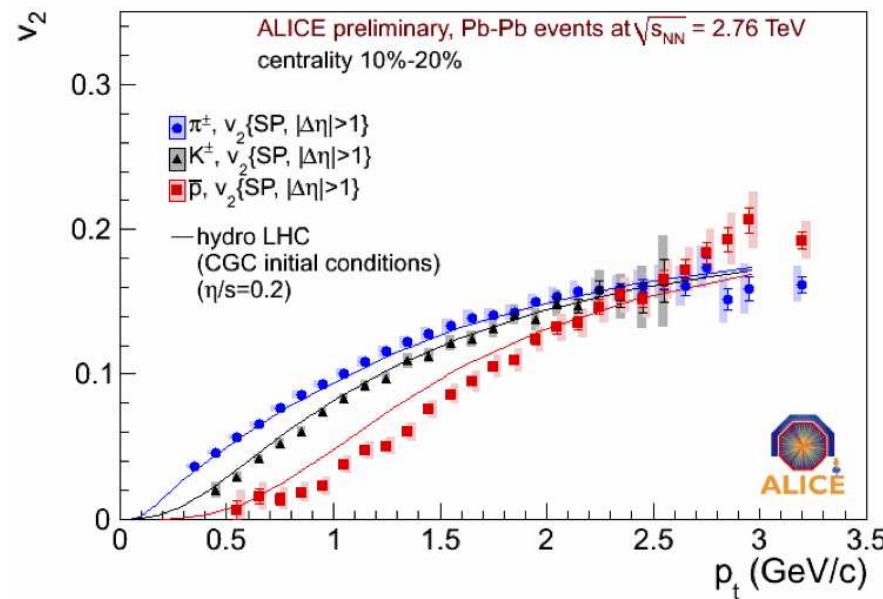
VISHNU (H. Song, S.A. Bass, UH, T. Hirano, C. Shen, PRC83 (2011) 054910)



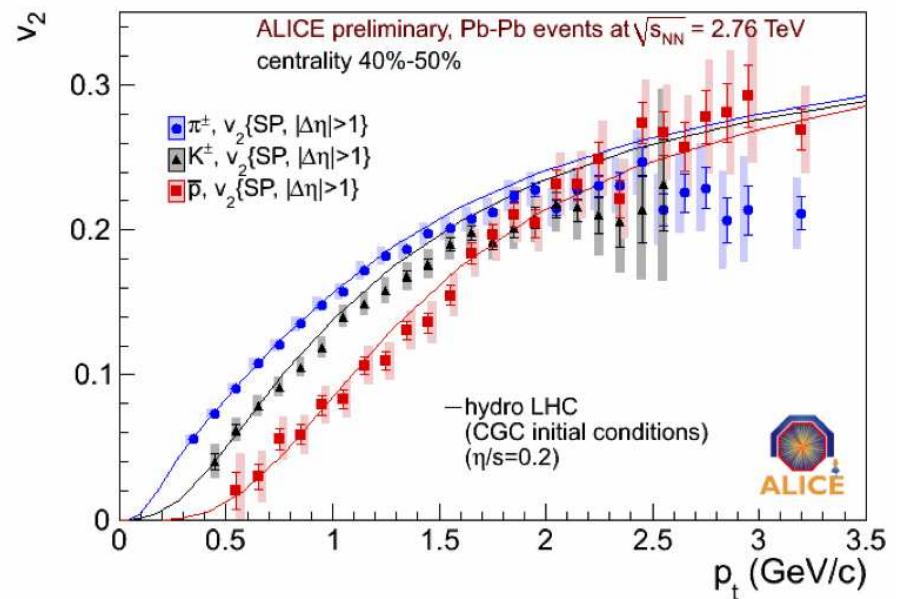
$(\eta/s)_{QGP} = 0.08$ for MC-Glauber and $(\eta/s)_{QGP} = 0.16$ for MC-KLN work well for charged hadron, pion and proton spectra and $v_2(p_T)$ at all collision centralities

Successful prediction of $v_2(p_T)$ for identified hadrons in PbPb@LHC

Data: ALICE, Quark Matter 2011



Prediction: Shen et al., PRC84 (2011) 044903 (VISH2+1)



Perfect fit in semi-peripheral collisions!

The problem with insufficient proton radial flow exists only in more central collisions

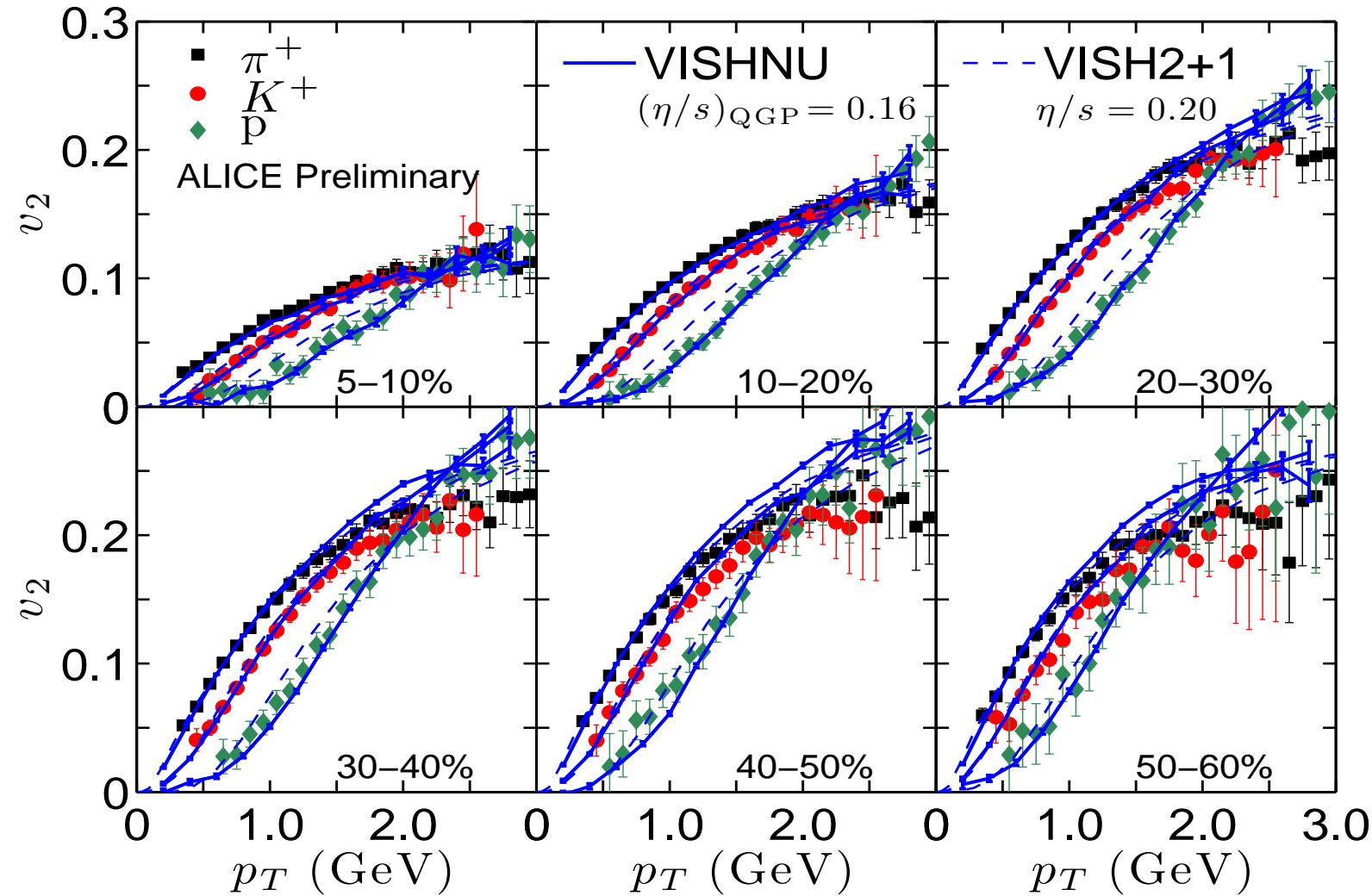
Adding the hadronic cascade (VISHNU) helps:

$v_2(p_T)$ in PbPb@LHC: ALICE vs. VISHNU

Data: ALICE, preliminary (Snellings, Krzewicki, Quark Matter 2011)

Dashed lines: Shen et al., PRC84 (2011) 044903 (VISH2+1, MC-KLN, $(\eta/s)_{QGP}=0.2$)

Solid lines: Song, Shen, UH 2011 (VISHNU, MC-KLN, $(\eta/s)_{QGP}=0.16$)



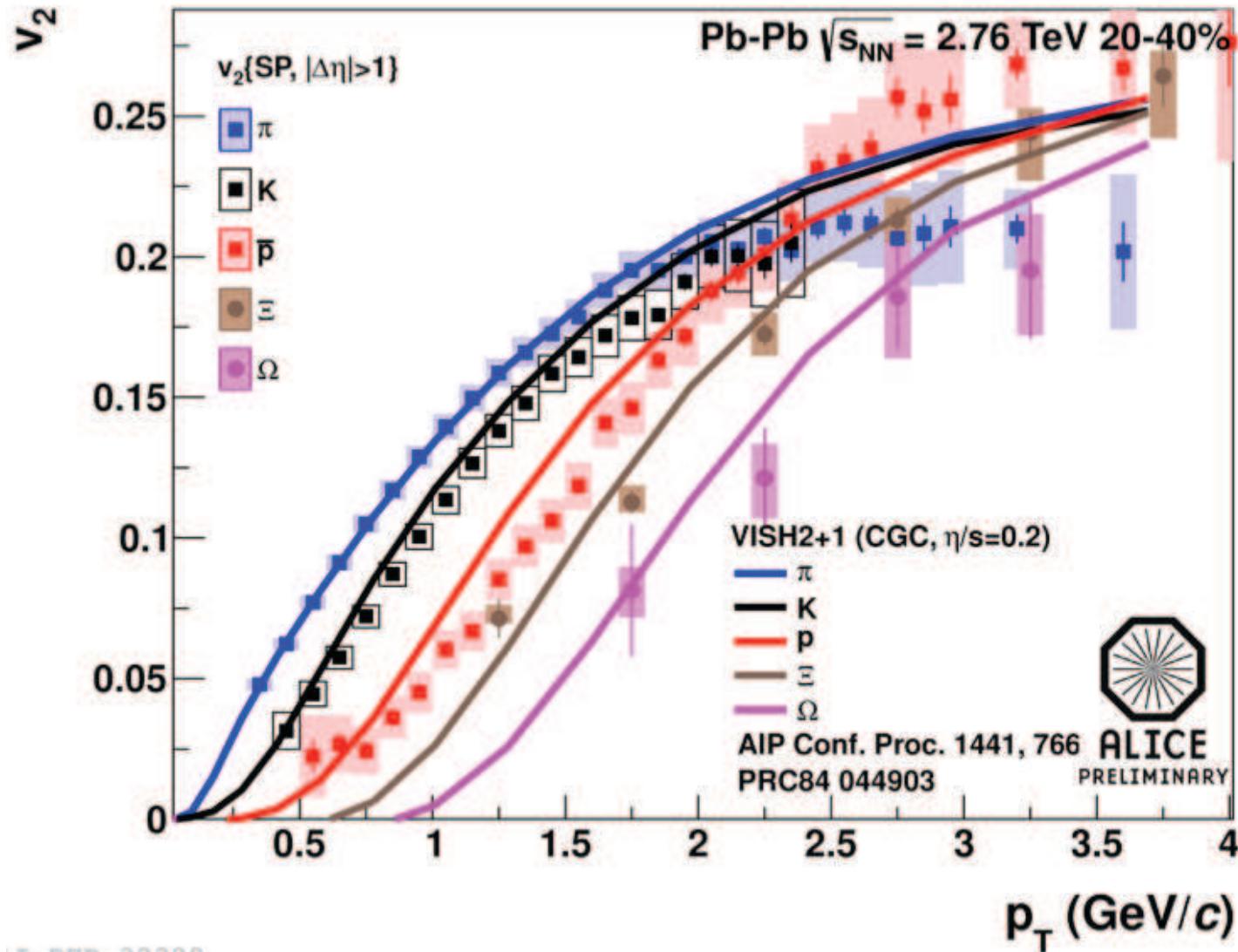
VISHNU yields correct magnitude and centrality dependence of $v_2(p_T)$ for pions, kaons **and protons!**

Same $(\eta/s)_{QGP} = 0.16$ (for MC-KLN) at RHIC and LHC!

Successful prediction of $v_2(p_T)$ for identified hadrons in PbPb@LHC (II)

Data: ALICE, Quark Matter 2012

Prediction: Shen et al., PRC84 (2011) 044903 (VISH2+1)



Radial flow pushes v_2 for heavier hadrons to larger p_T

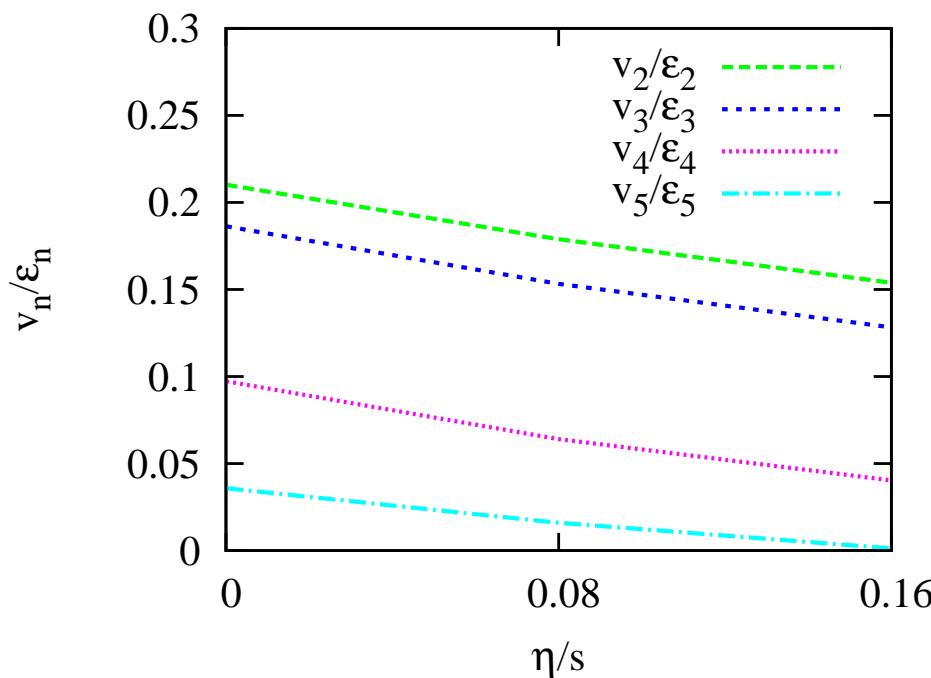
Theory curves are true predictions, without any parameter adjustment

Back to the “elephant in the room”: How to eliminate the large model uncertainty in the initial eccentricity?

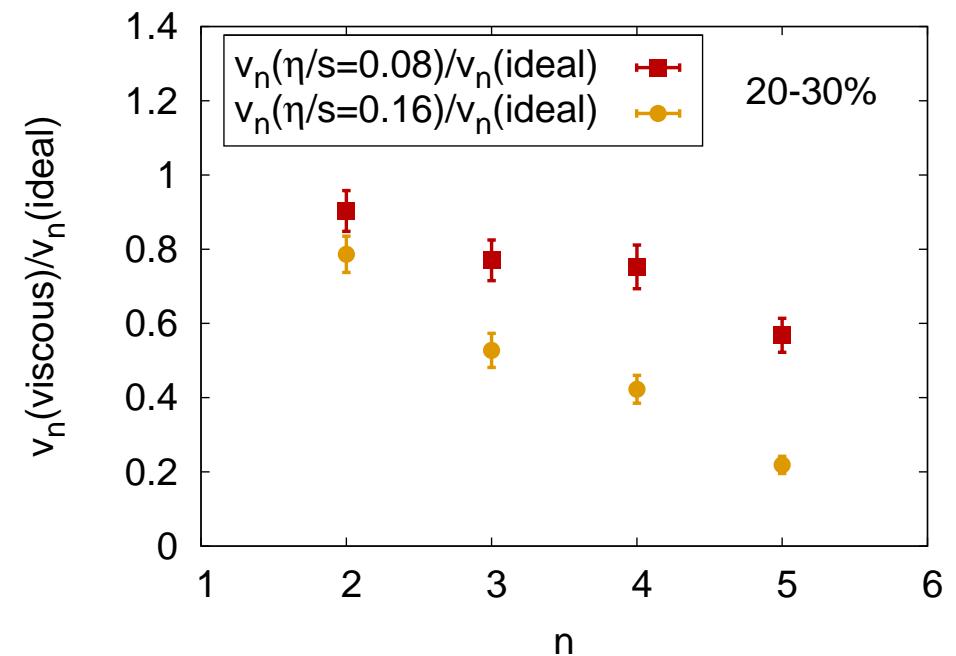
Two observations:

I. Shear viscosity suppresses higher flow harmonics more strongly

Alver et al., PRC82 (2010) 034913
(averaged initial conditions)



Schenke et al., arXiv:1109.6289
(event-by-event hydro)

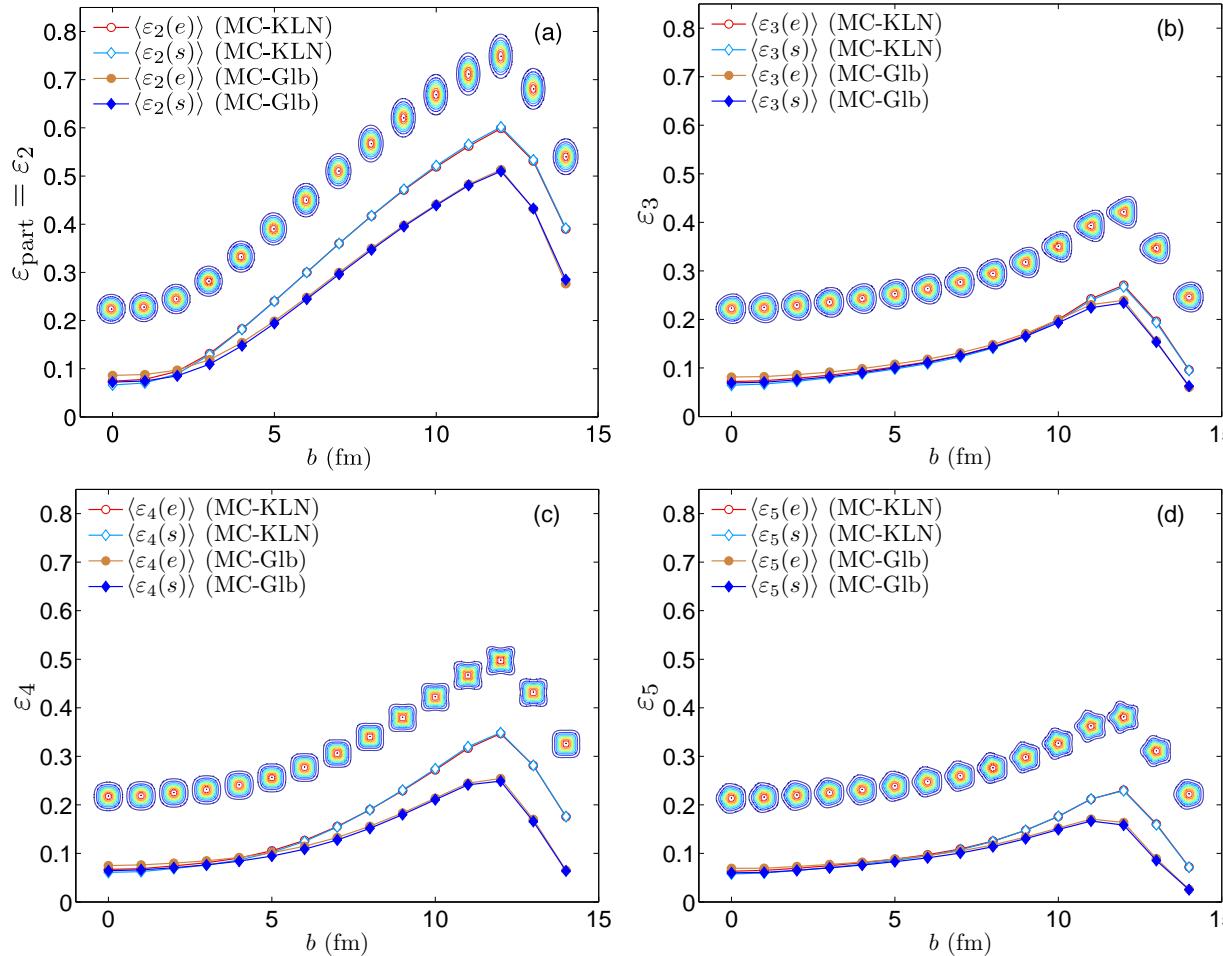


➡ Idea: Use simultaneous analysis of elliptic and triangular flow to constrain initial state models
(see also Bhalerao, Luzum Ollitrault, PRC 84 (2011) 034910)

Two observations:

II. ε_3 is \approx model independent

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Initial eccentricities ε_n and angles ψ_n :

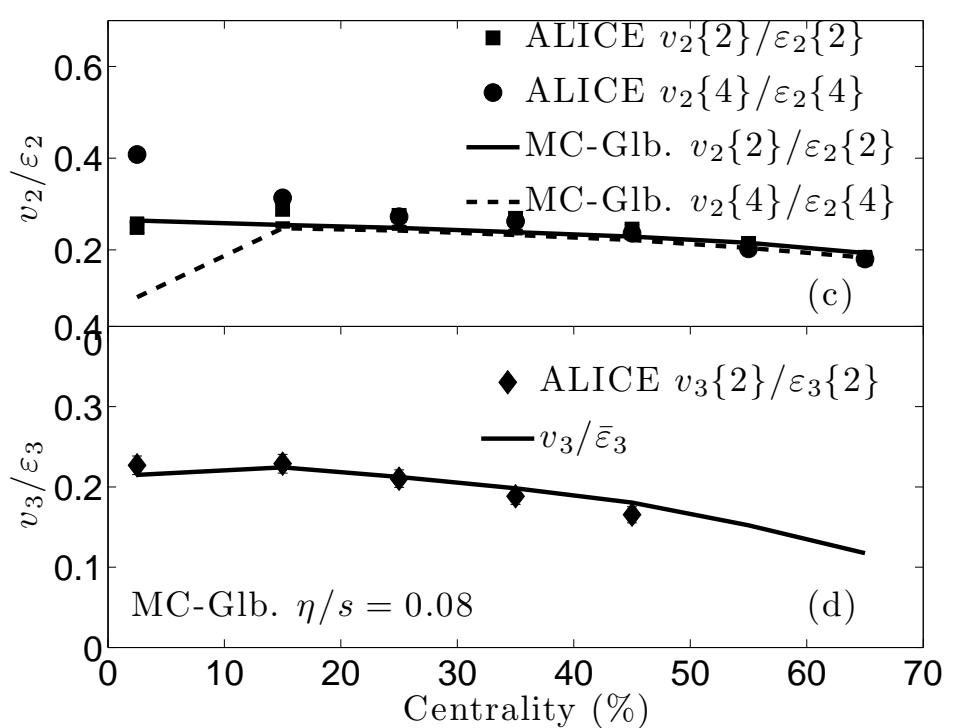
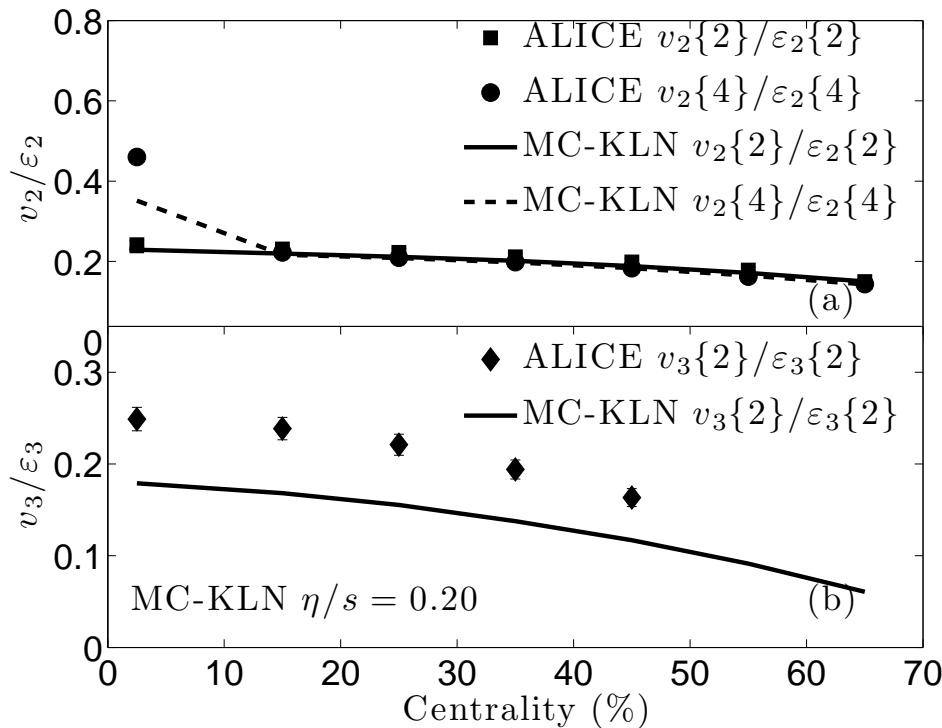
$$\varepsilon_n e^{in\psi_n} = -\frac{\int r dr d\phi r^2 e^{in\phi} e(r,\phi)}{\int r dr d\phi r^2 e(r,\phi)}$$

- MC-KLN has larger ε_2 and ε_4 , but similar ε_5 and almost identical ε_3 as MC-Glauber
- Angles of ε_2 and ε_4 are correlated with reaction plane by geometry, whereas those of ε_3 and ε_5 are random (purely fluctuation-driven)
- While v_4 and v_5 have mode-coupling contributions from ε_2 , v_3 is almost pure response to ε_3 and $v_3/\varepsilon_3 \approx \text{const.}$ over a wide range of centralities

⇒ Idea: Use total charged hadron v_3^{ch} to determine $(\eta/s)_{\text{QGP}}$,
then check v_2^{ch} to distinguish between MC-KLN and MC-Glauber!

Combined v_2 & v_3 analysis: η/s is small!

Zhi Qiu, C. Shen, UH, PLB707 (2012) 151 and QM2012 (e-by-e VISH2+1)

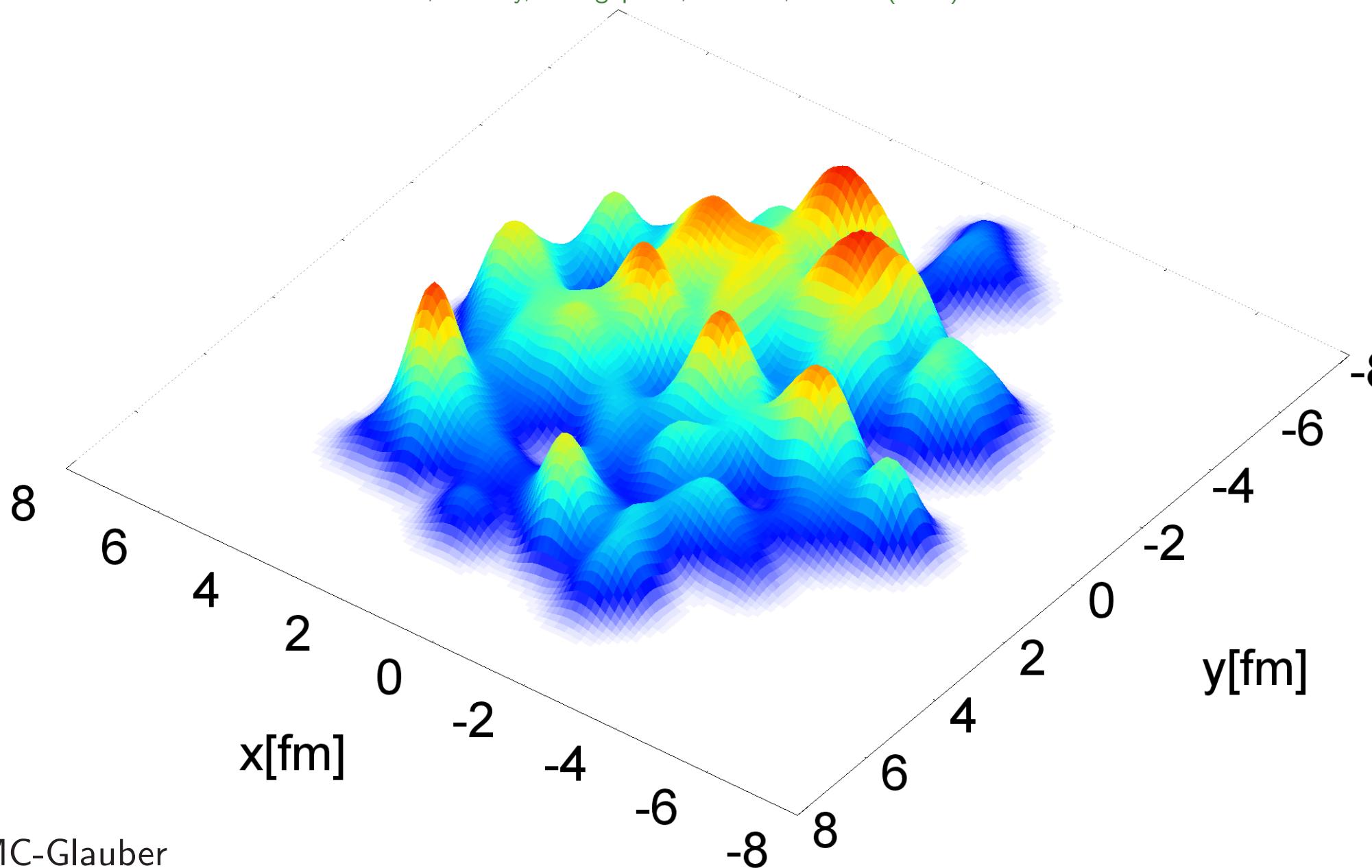


- Both MC-KLN with $\eta/s = 0.2$ and MC-Glauber with $\eta/s = 0.08$ give very good description of v_2/ε_2 at all centralities.
- **Only $\eta/s = 0.08$ (with MC-Glauber initial conditions) describes v_3/ε_3 !**
PHENIX, comparing to calculations by Alver et al. (PRC82 (2010) 034913), come to similar conclusions at RHIC energies (Adare et al., arXiv:1105.3928, and Lacey et al., arXiv:1108.0457)
- **Large v_3 measured at RHIC and LHC requires small $(\eta/s)_{QGP} \simeq 1/(4\pi)$** unless the fluctuations in these models are completely wrong and ε_3 is really 50% larger than these models predict!

Sub-nucleonic fluctuations

Adding sub-nucleonic quantum fluctuations

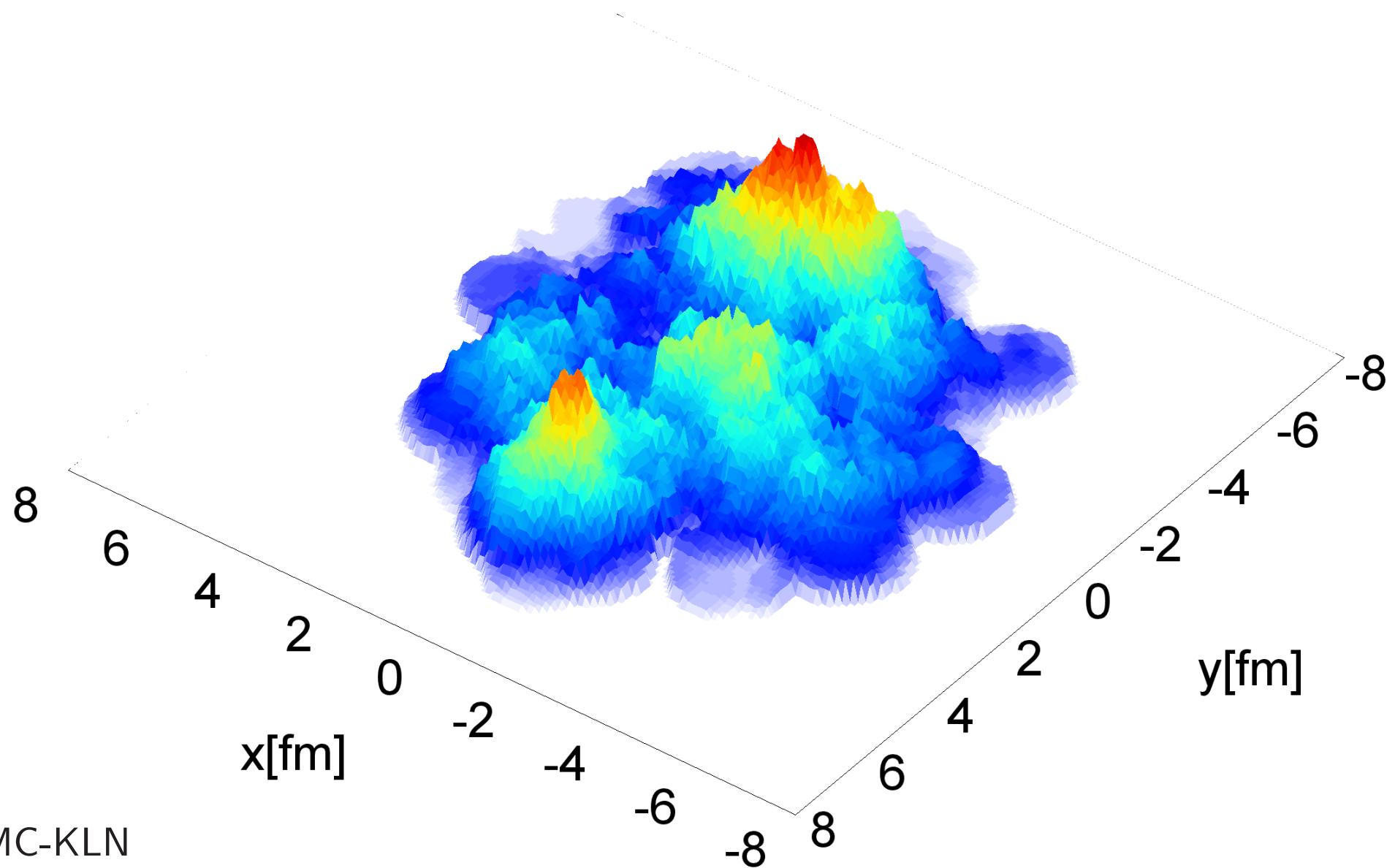
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MC-Glauber

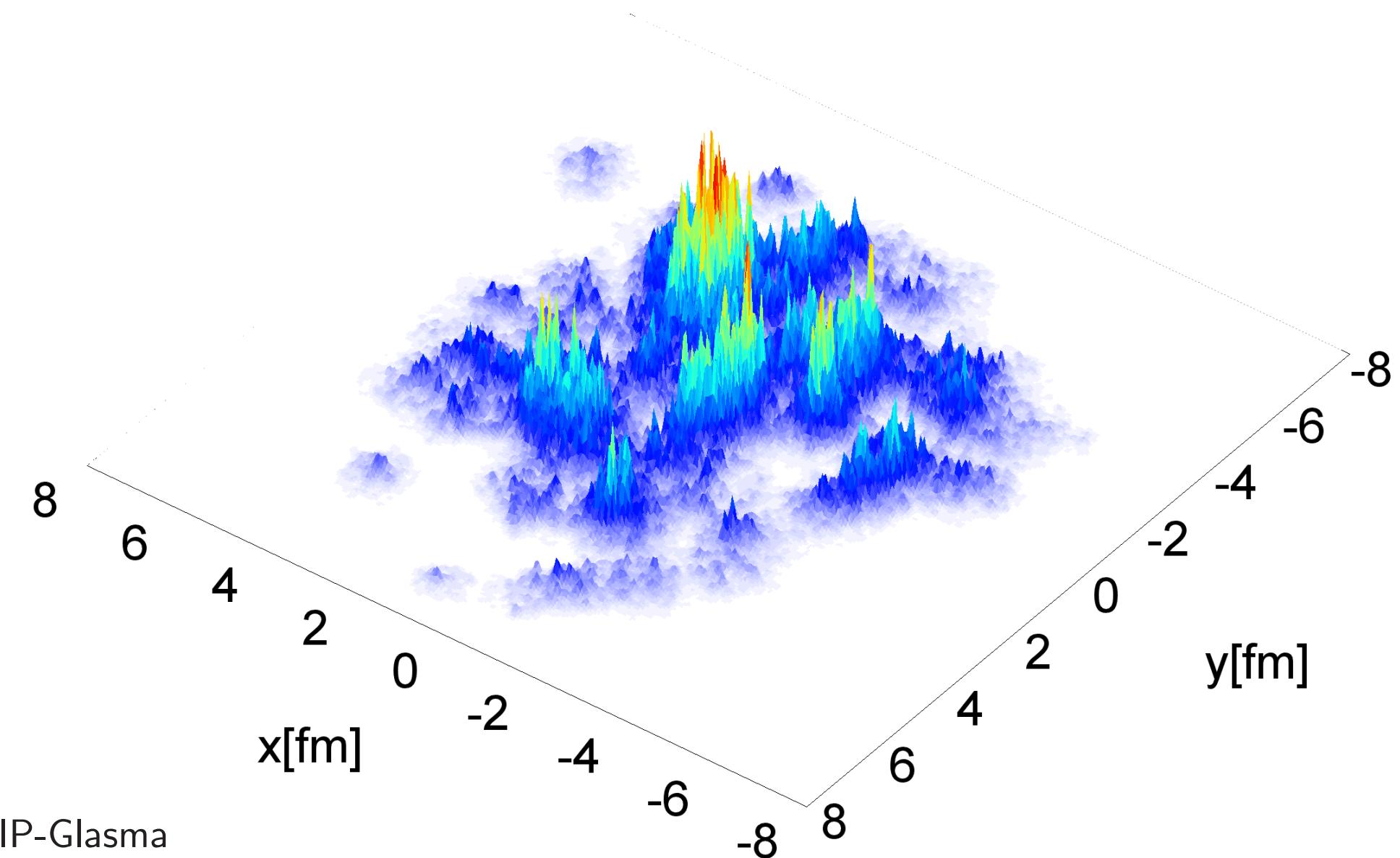
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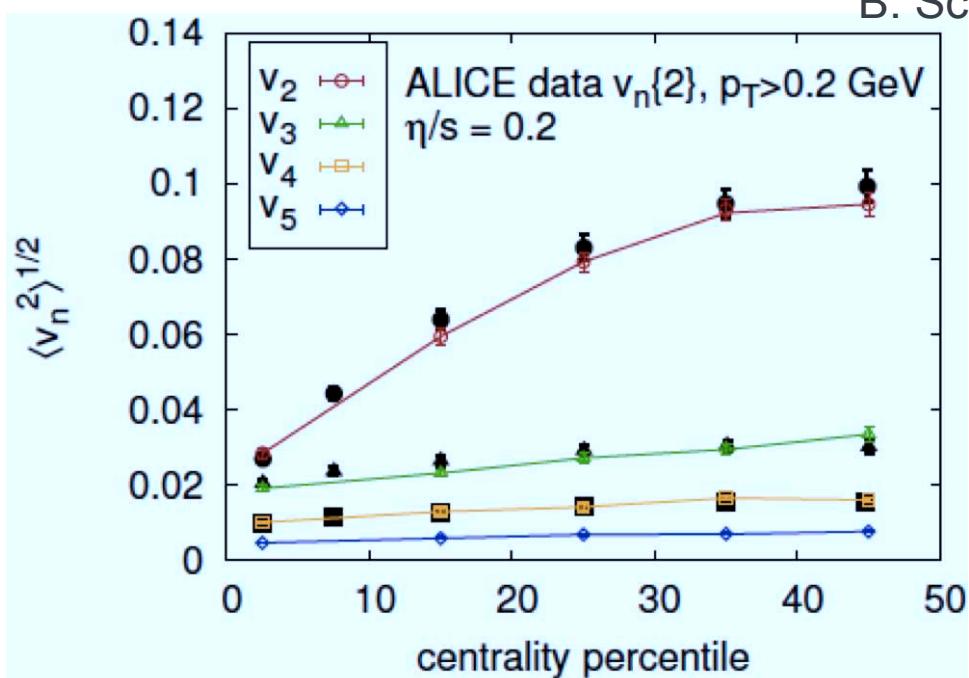
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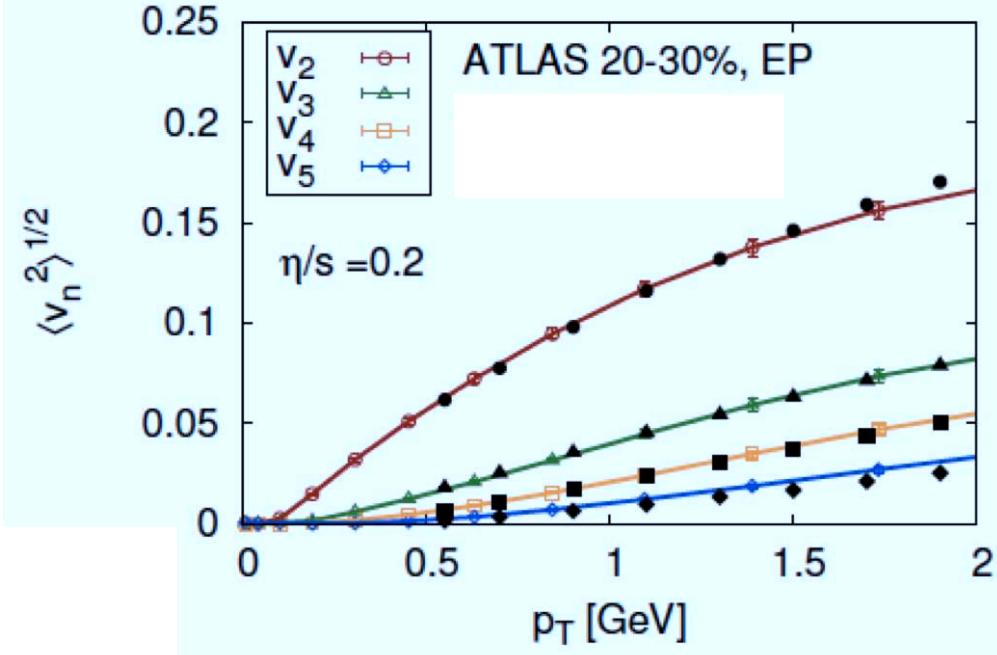


IP-Glasma

Towards a Standard Model of the Little Bang



B. Schenke: QM2012



With inclusion of sub-nucleonic quantum fluctuations
and pre-equilibrium dynamics of gluon fields:

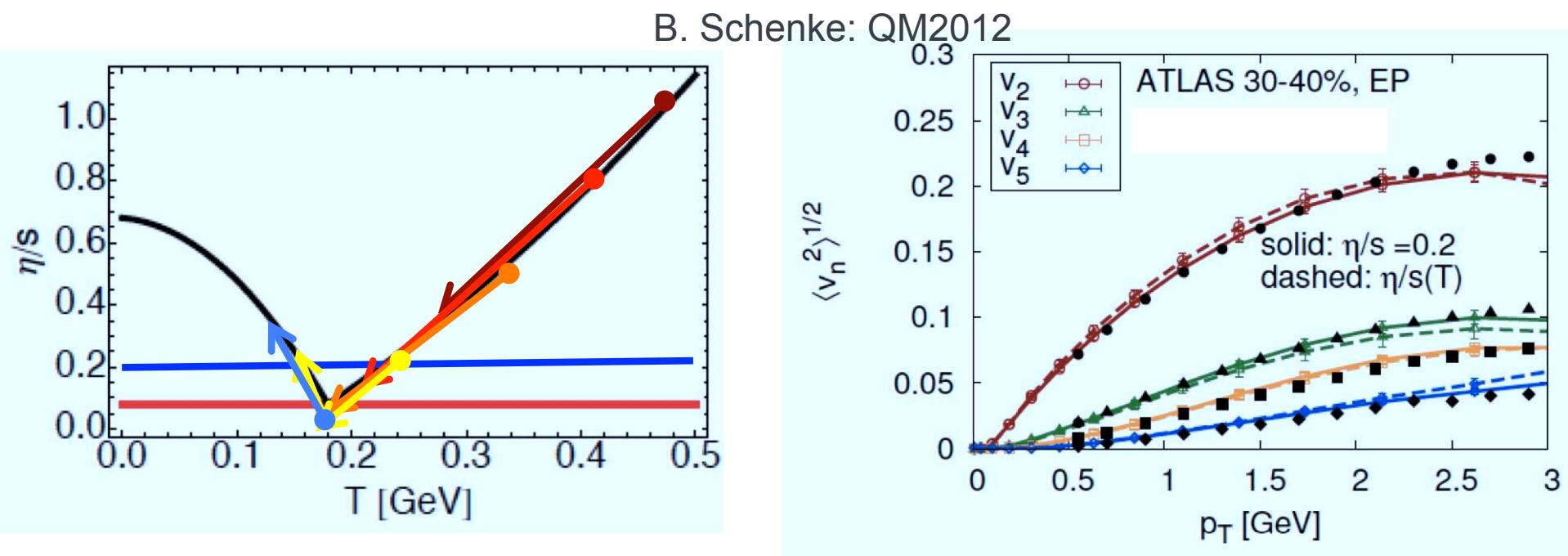
→ outstanding agreement between data and model

Schenke, Tribedy, Venugopalan,
Phys.Rev.Lett. 108:25231 (2012)

Rapid convergence on a standard model of the Little Bang!

Perfect liquidity reveals in the final state initial-state gluon field correlations
of size $1/Q_s$ (sub-hadronic)!

What We Don't Know

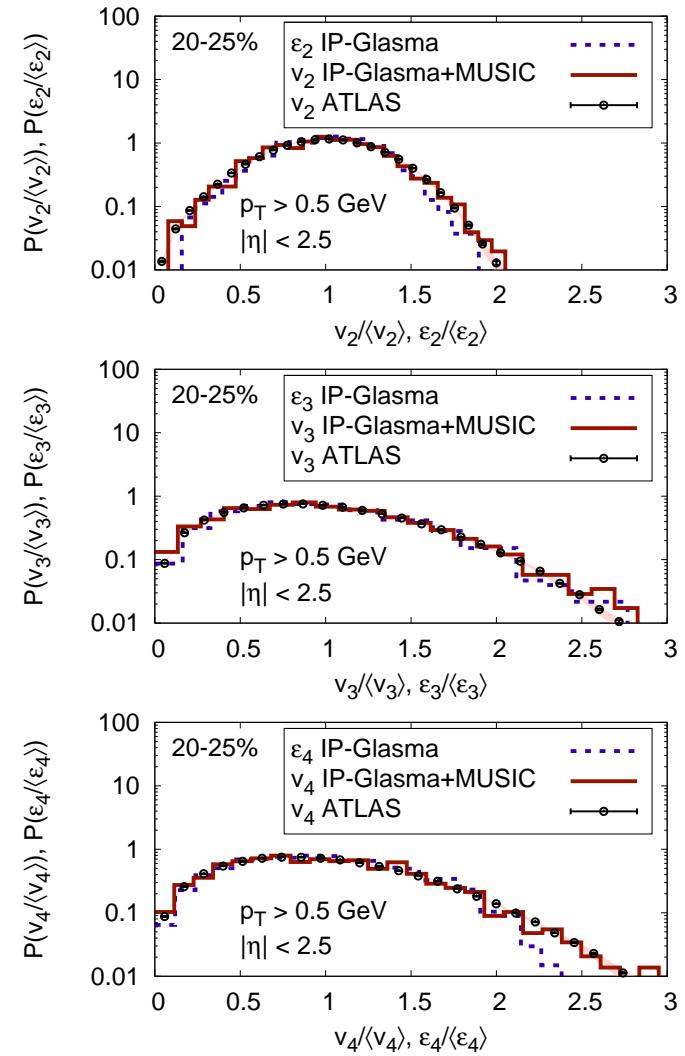
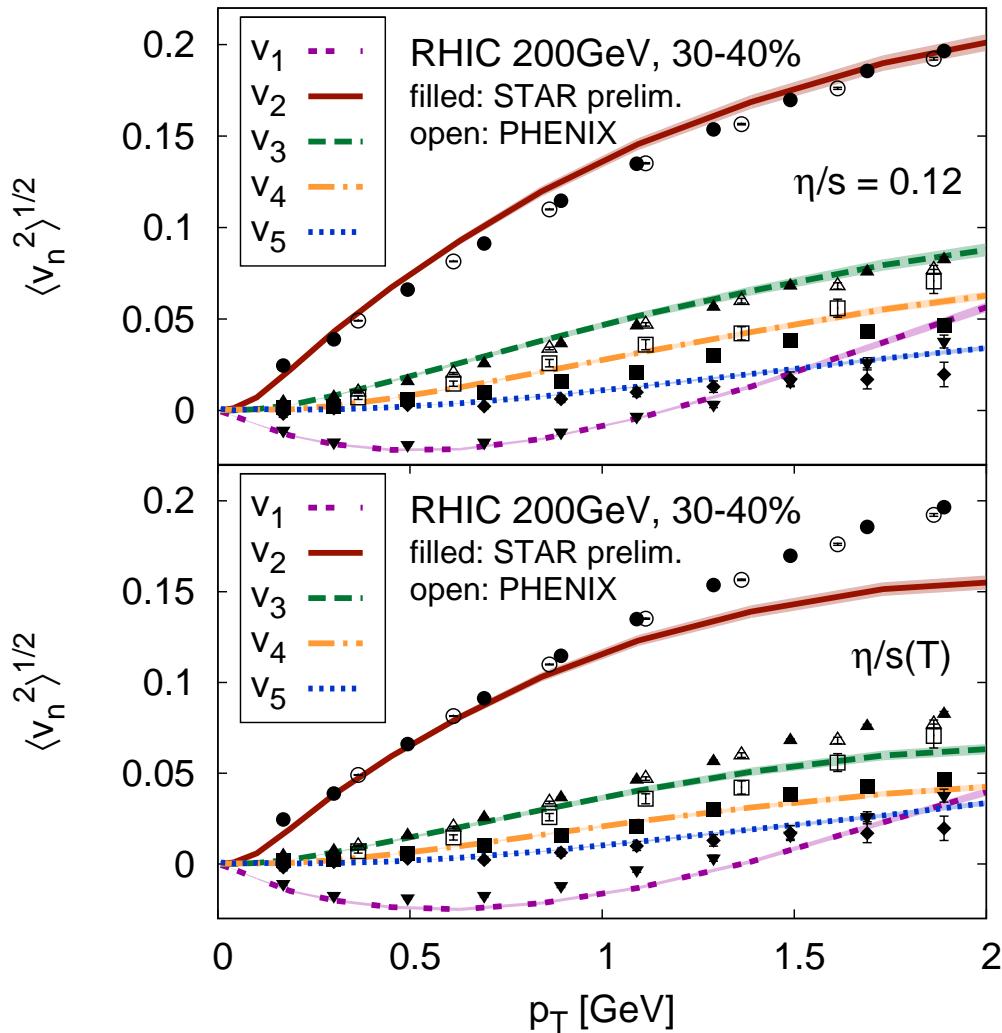


Model doesn't distinguish between a constant η/s of 0.2 or a temperature dependent η/s with a minimum of $1/4\pi$

Need both RHIC and LHC to sort this out!

Other successes of the Little Bang Standard Model

Gale, Jeon, Schenke, Tribedy, Venugopalan, arXiv:1209.6330 (PRL 2012)



- Model describes RHIC data with lower effective specific shear viscosity $\eta/s = 0.12$
- In contrast to MC-Glauber and MC-KLN, IP-Sat initial conditions correctly reproduce the final flow fluctuation spectrum, generated from initial shape fluctuations by viscous hydrodynamics

Conclusions

- Quark-Gluon Plasma is by far the hottest and densest form of matter ever observed in the laboratory. Its properties and interactions are controlled by QCD, not QED.
- It is a liquid with almost perfect fluidity. Its specific shear viscosity at RHIC and LHC energies is

$$(\eta/s)_{\text{QGP}}(T_c < T < 2T_c) = \frac{2}{4\pi} \pm 50\%$$

This is significantly below that of any other known real fluid.

Precision comparison of harmonic flow coefficients at RHIC and LHC provides first serious indications for a moderate increase of the specific QGP shear viscosity between $2T_c$ and $3T_c$.

- Viscous relativistic hydrodynamics provides a quantitative description of QGP evolution.
- By coupling viscous fluid dynamics for the QGP stage to microscopic evolution models of the dense early pre-equilibrium and dilute late hadronic freeze-out stages, a complete dynamical description of the strongly interacting matter created in ultra-relativistic heavy-ion collisions has been achieved. This dynamical theory has made successful predictions for the first Pb+Pb collisions at the LHC that were quantitatively precise and non-trivial (in the sense that they disagreed with other predictions that were falsified by the data).
- The Color Glass Condensate theory (IP-Sat model) appears to give the correct spectrum of initial-state gluon field fluctuations.

We are rapidly converging on the Standard Model for the Little Bang

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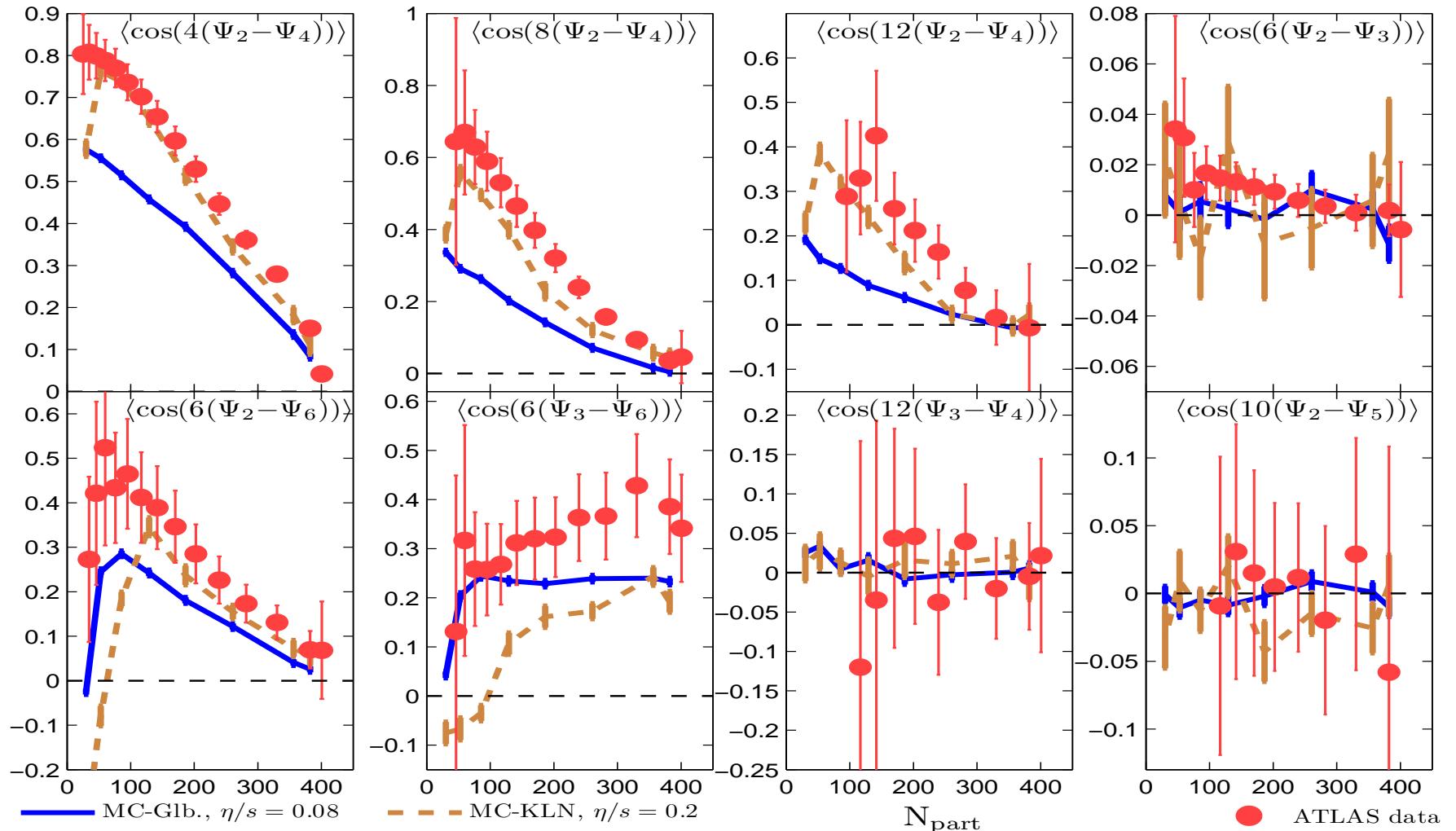
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Supplements

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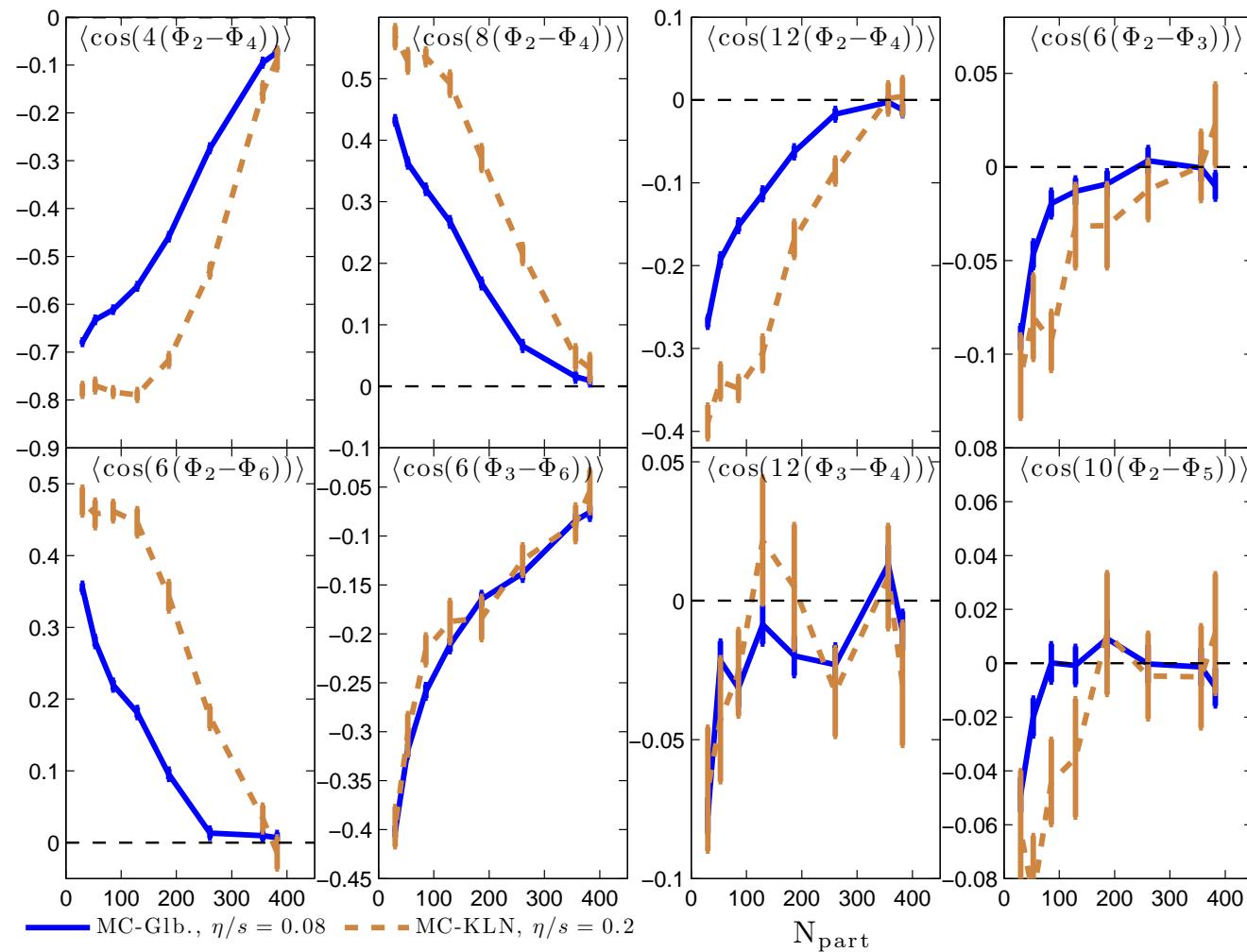
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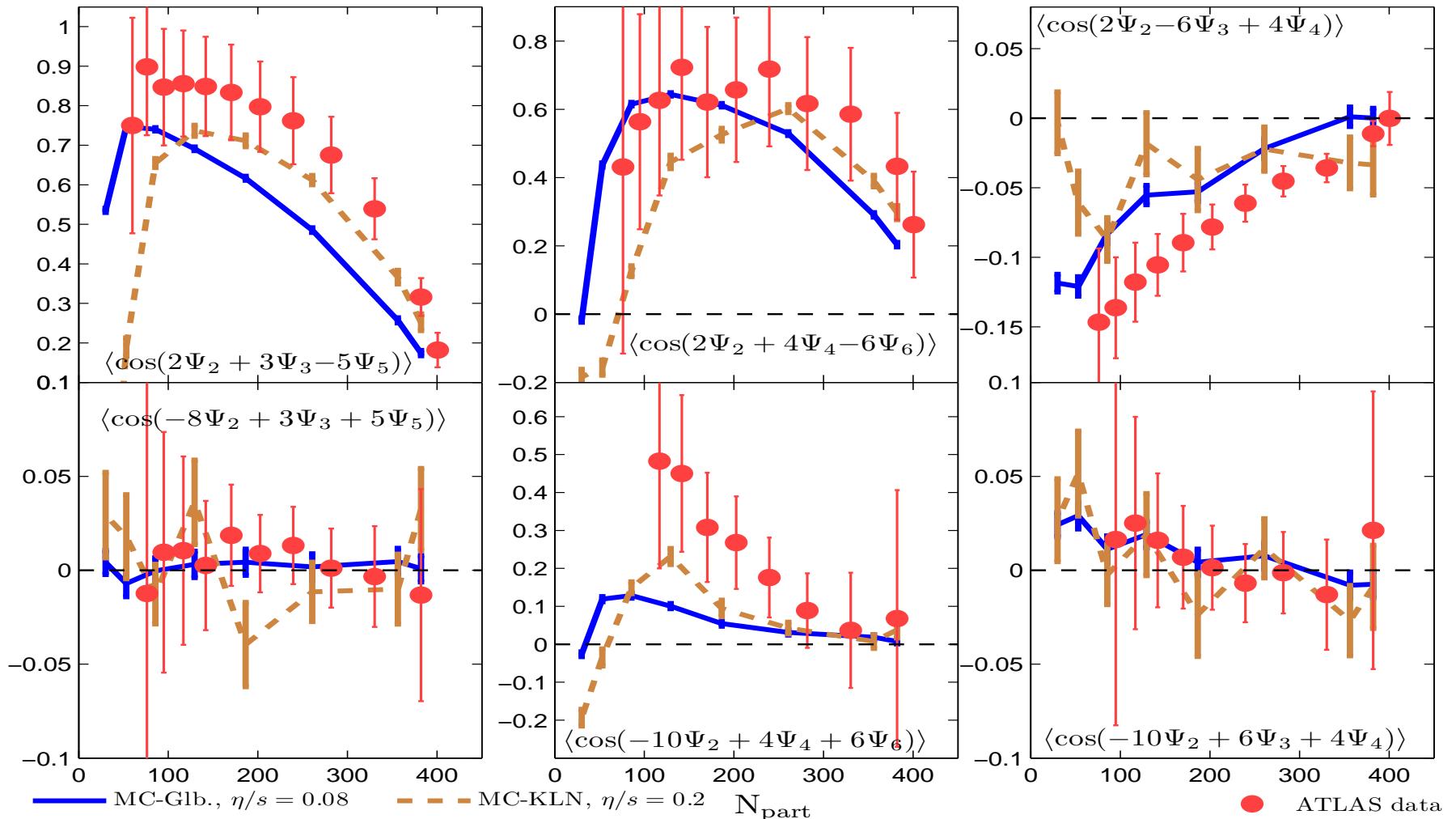
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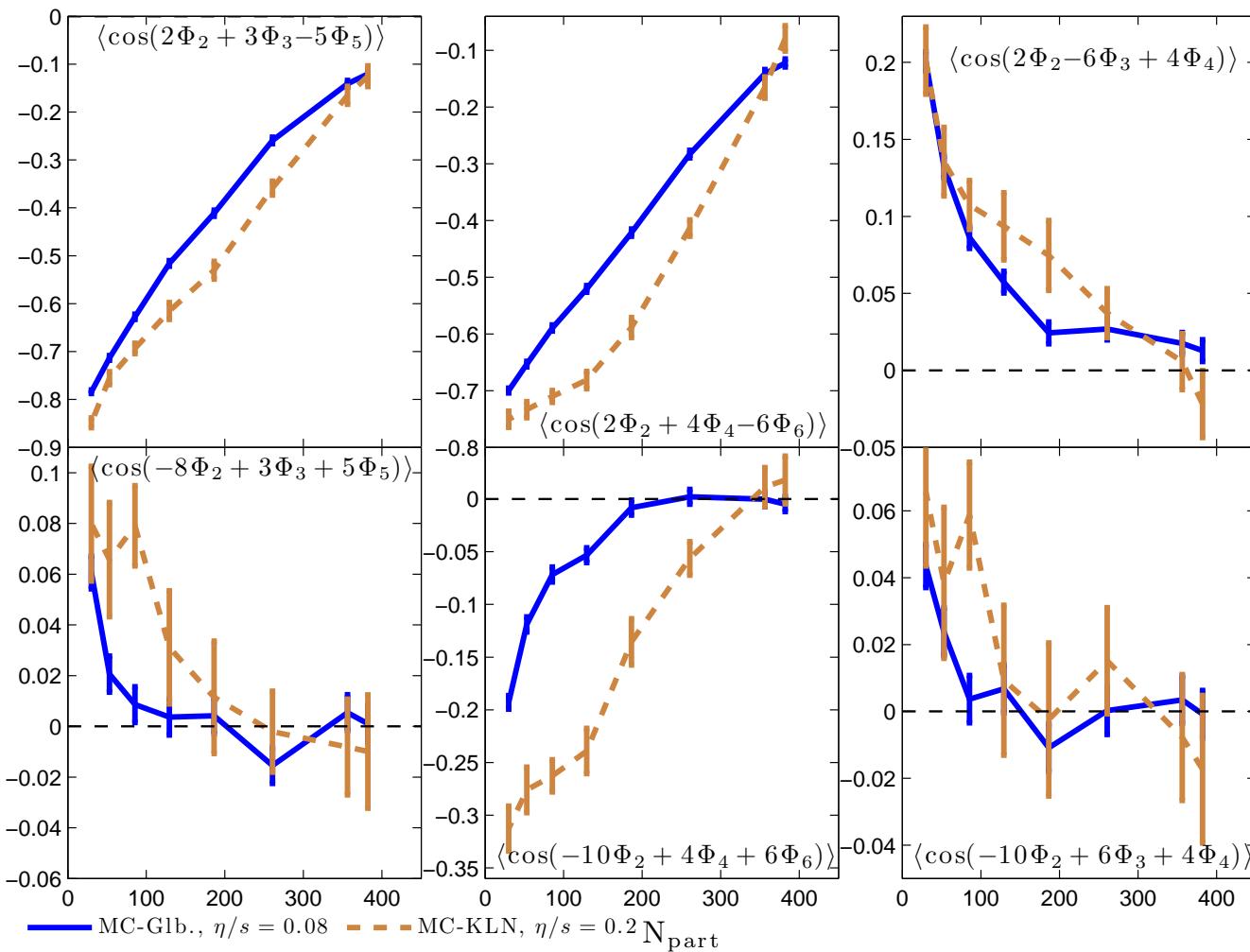
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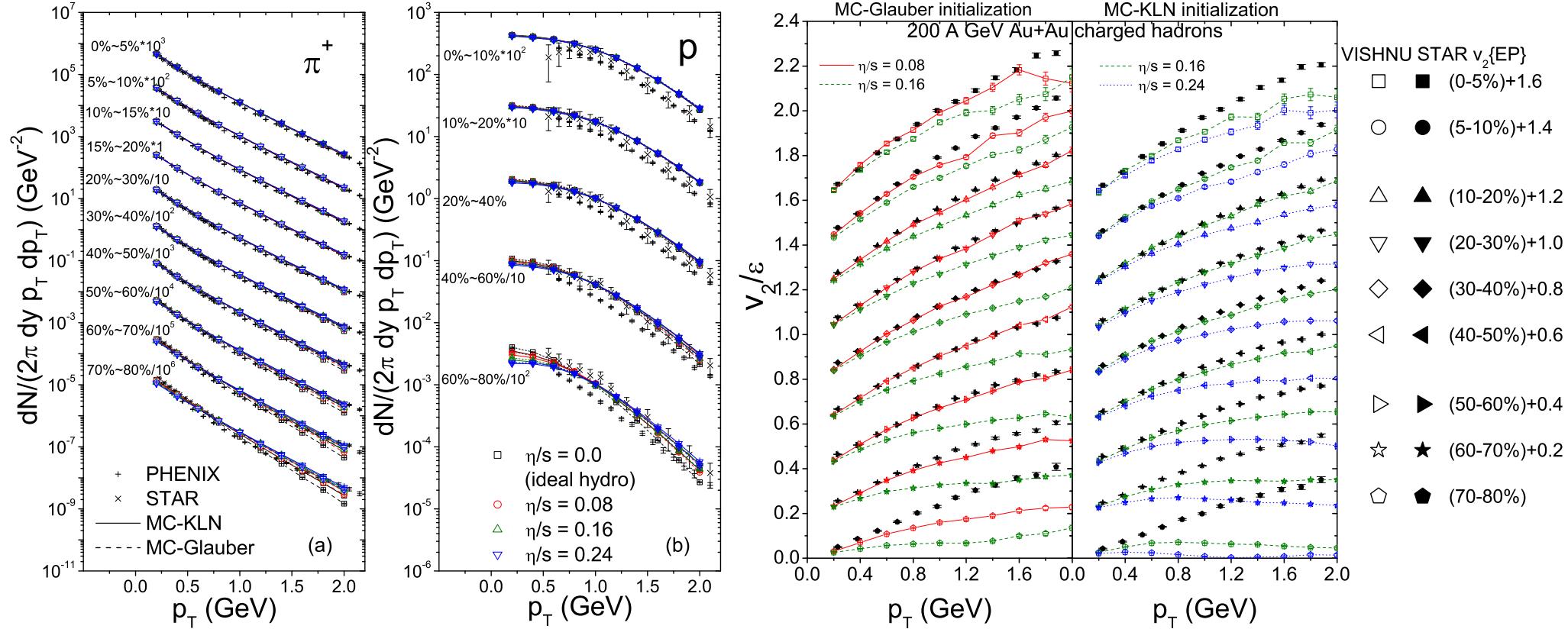


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Global description of AuAu@RHIC spectra and v_2

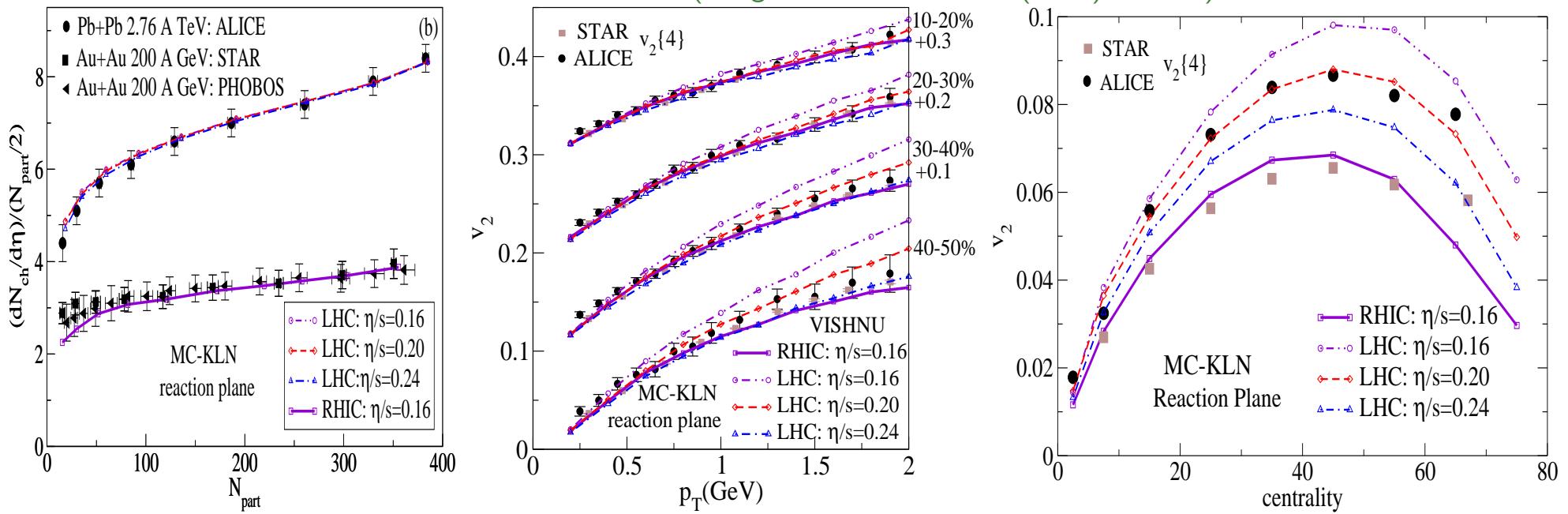
VISHNU (H. Song, S.A. Bass, U. Heinz, T. Hirano, C. Shen, PRC83 (2011) 054910)



- $(\eta/s)_{QGP} = 0.08$ for MC-Glauber and $(\eta/s)_{QGP} = 0.16$ for MC-KLN works well for charged hadron, pion and proton spectra and $v_2(p_T)$ at all collision centralities

Pre- and postdictions for PbPb@LHC

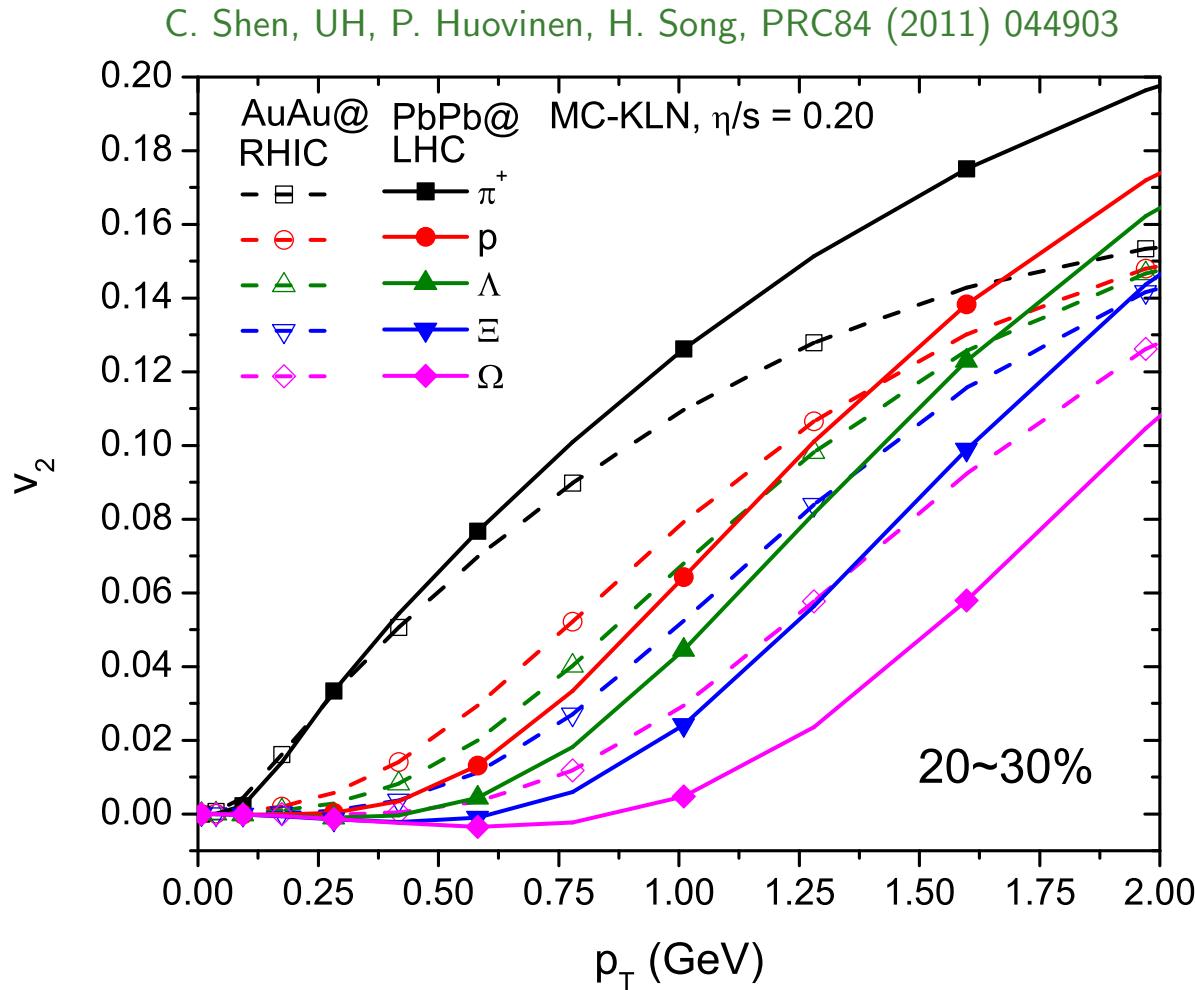
VISHNU with MC-KLN (Song, Bass, UH, PRC83 (2011) 054912)



- After normalization in 0-5% centrality collisions, MC-KLN + VISHNU (w/o running coupling, but including viscous entropy production!) reproduces centrality dependence of $dN_{\text{ch}}/d\eta$ well in both AuAu@RHIC and PbPb@LHC
- $(\eta/s)_{QGP} = 0.16$ for MC-KLN works well for charged hadron $v_2(p_T)$ and integrated v_2 in AuAu@RHIC, but overpredicts both by about 10-15% in PbPb@LHC
- Similar results from predictions based on pure viscous hydro (C. Shen et al., PRC84 (2011) 044903)
- **but:** At LHC significant sensitivity of v_2 to initialization of viscous pressure tensor $\pi^{\mu\nu}$ (Navier-Stokes or zero) \implies need pre-equilibrium model.
 \implies **QGP at LHC not much more viscous than at RHIC!**

Why is $v_2^{\text{ch}}(p_T)$ the same at RHIC and LHC?

Answer: Pure accident! (Kestin & UH EPJC61 (2009) 545; Shen & UH, PRC85 (2012) 054902)



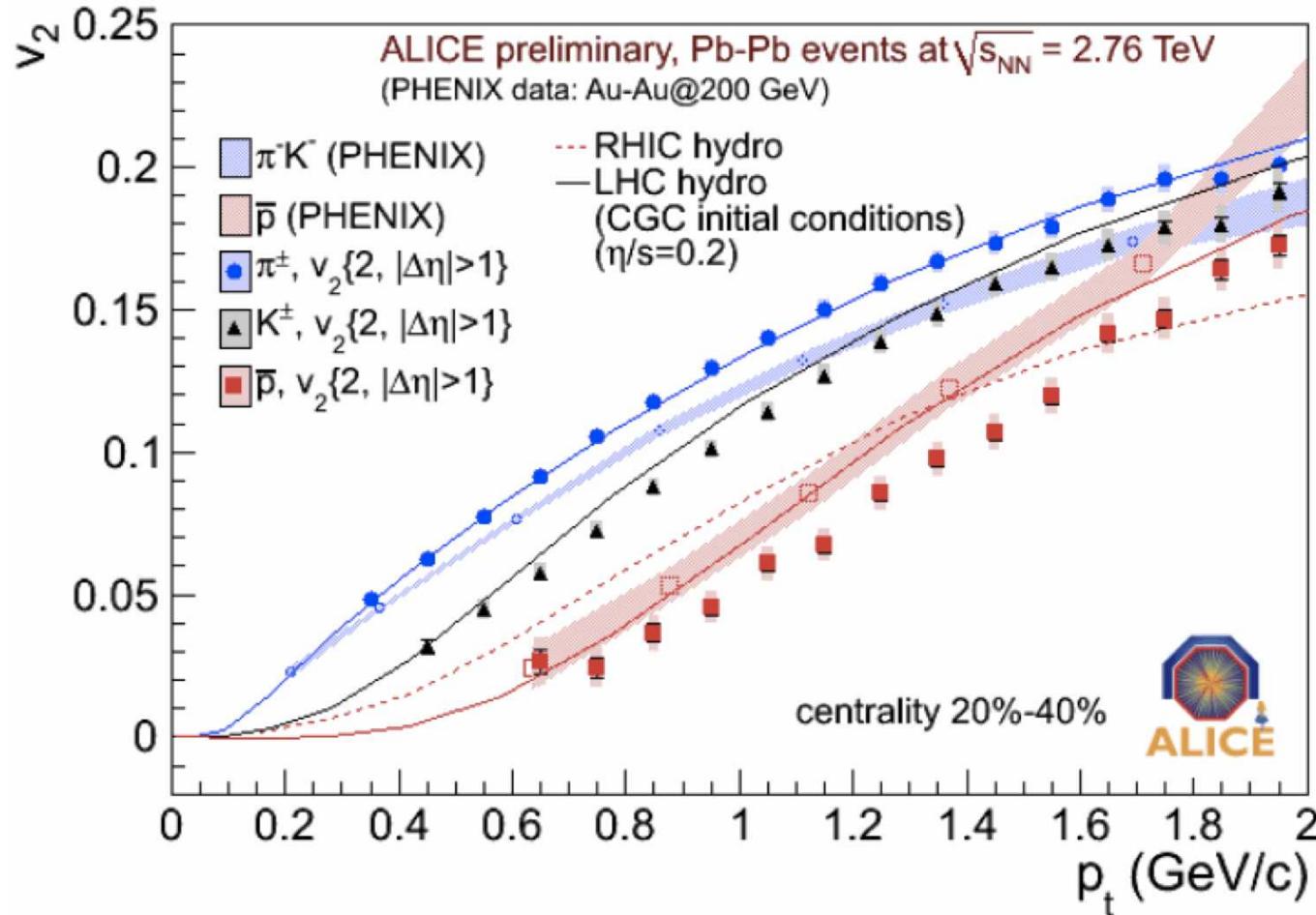
$v_2^\pi(p_T)$ increases a bit from RHIC to LHC, for heavier hadrons $v_2(p_T)$ at fixed p_T decreases
(radial flow pushes momentum anisotropy of heavy hadrons to larger p_T)

This is a hard prediction of hydrodynamics! (See also Nagle, Bearden, Zajc, NJP13 (2011) 075004)

Confirmation of increased mass splitting at LHC

Data: ALICE @ LHC, Quark Matter 2011 (symbols), PHENIX @ RHIC (shaded)

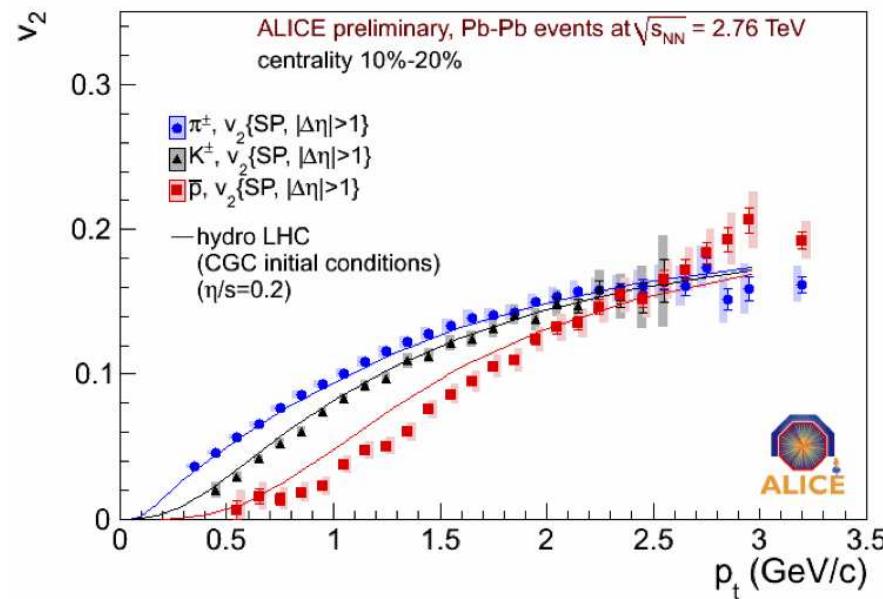
Lines: Shen et al., PRC84 (2011) 044903 (VISH2+1 + MC-KLN, $\eta/s=0.2$)



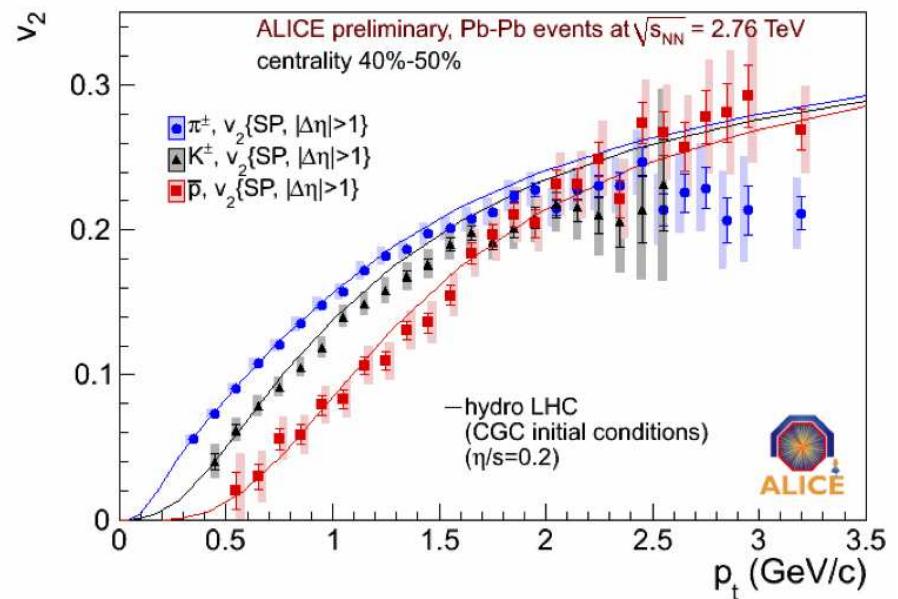
- Qualitative features of data agree with VISH2+1 predictions
- VISH2+1 does not push proton v_2 strongly enough to higher p_T , both at RHIC and LHC
- At RHIC we know that this is fixed when using VISHNU – is the same true at LHC?

Successful prediction of $v_2(p_T)$ for identified hadrons in PbPb@LHC

Data: ALICE, Quark Matter 2011



Prediction: Shen et al., PRC84 (2011) 044903 (VISH2+1)



Perfect fit in semi-peripheral collisions!

The problem with insufficient proton radial flow exists only in more central collisions

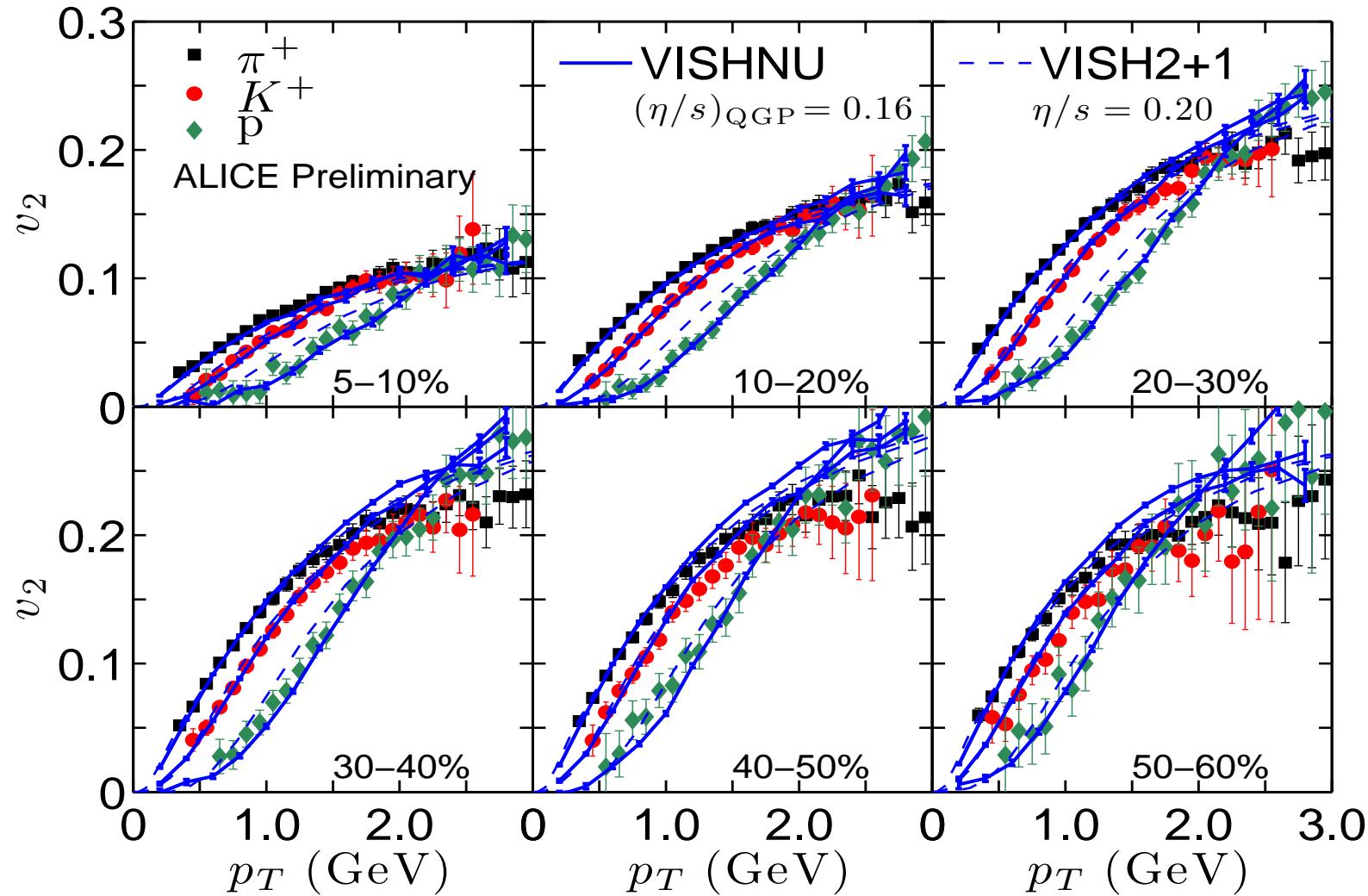
Adding the hadronic cascade (VISHNU) helps:

$v_2(p_T)$ in PbPb@LHC: ALICE vs. VISHNU

Data: ALICE, preliminary (Snellings, Krzewicki, Quark Matter 2011)

Dashed lines: Shen et al., PRC84 (2011) 044903 (VISH2+1, MC-KLN, $(\eta/s)_{QGP}=0.2$)

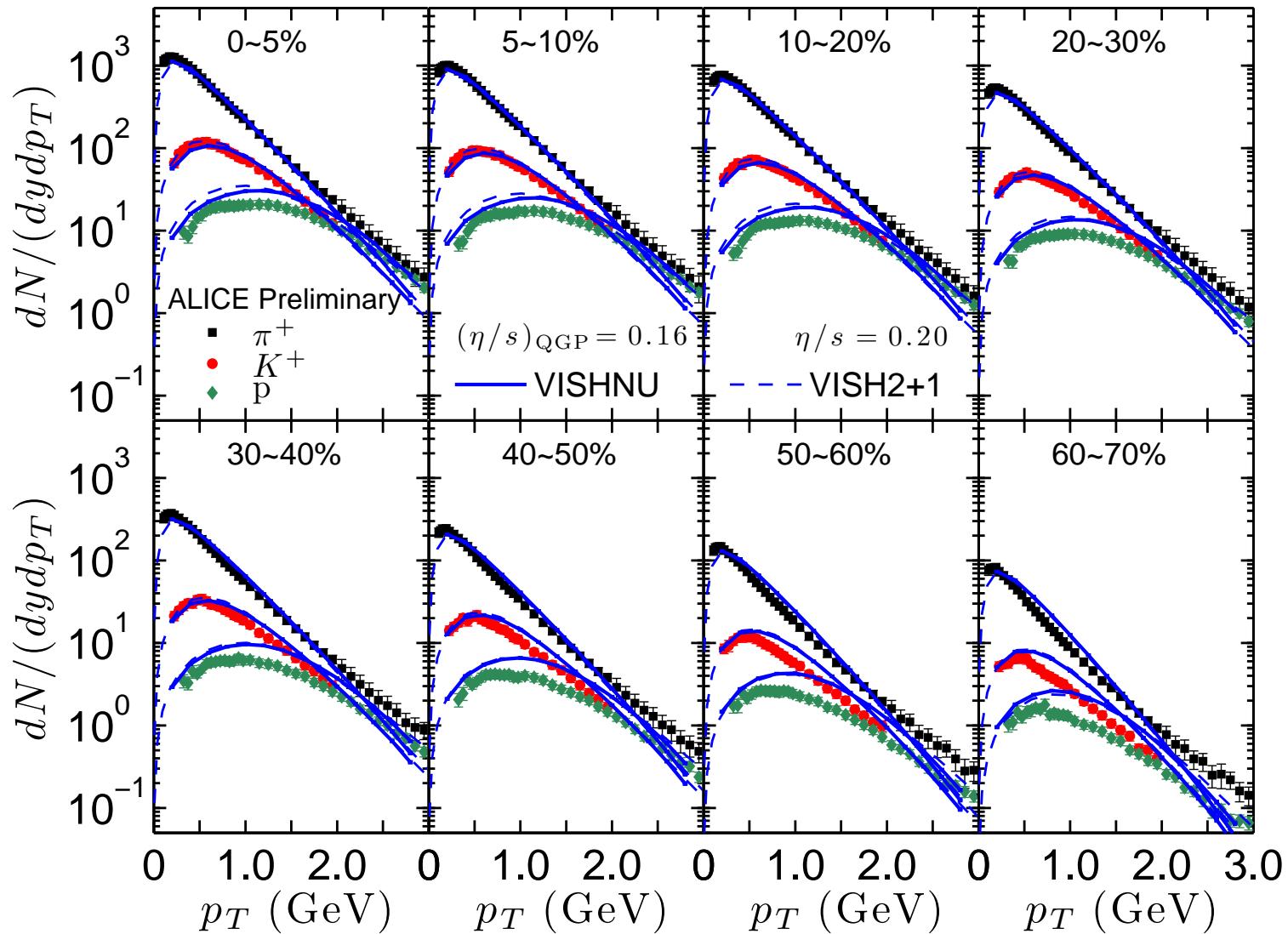
Solid lines: Song, Shen, UH 2011 (VISHNU, MC-KLN, $(\eta/s)_{QGP}=0.16$)



VISHNU yields correct magnitude and centrality dependence of $v_2(p_T)$ for pions, kaons **and protons!**

Same $(\eta/s)_{QGP} = 0.16$ (for MC-KLN) at RHIC and LHC!

PbPb@LHC p_T -spectra: ALICE vs. VISH2+1 and VISHNU:

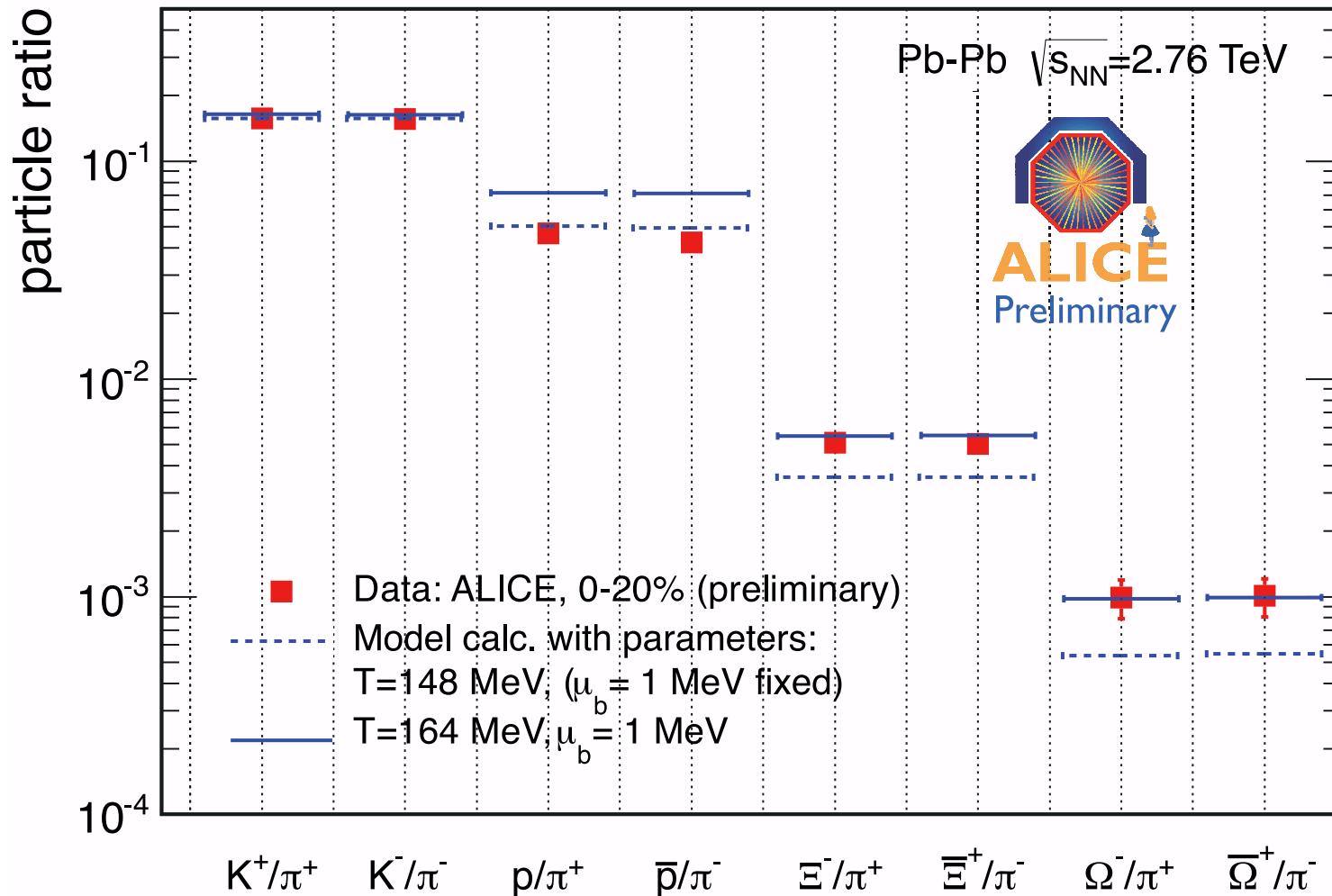


- Good description also of identified hadron spectra for centralities $< 50\%$
- VISHNU better than VISH2+1 in central collisions (more radial flow)
- Both models give too much radial flow in peripheral collisions \implies initial conditions?
- Both models overpredict proton yield by 50-70%!?

The new “proton anomaly”: disagreement with the thermal model

Data: ALICE, preliminary (A. Kalweit, Strange Quark Matter 2011)

Model: A. Andronic et al., PLB673 (2009) 142; similar: S. Wheaton et al. (THERMUS), Comp. Phys. Comm. 180 (2009) 84



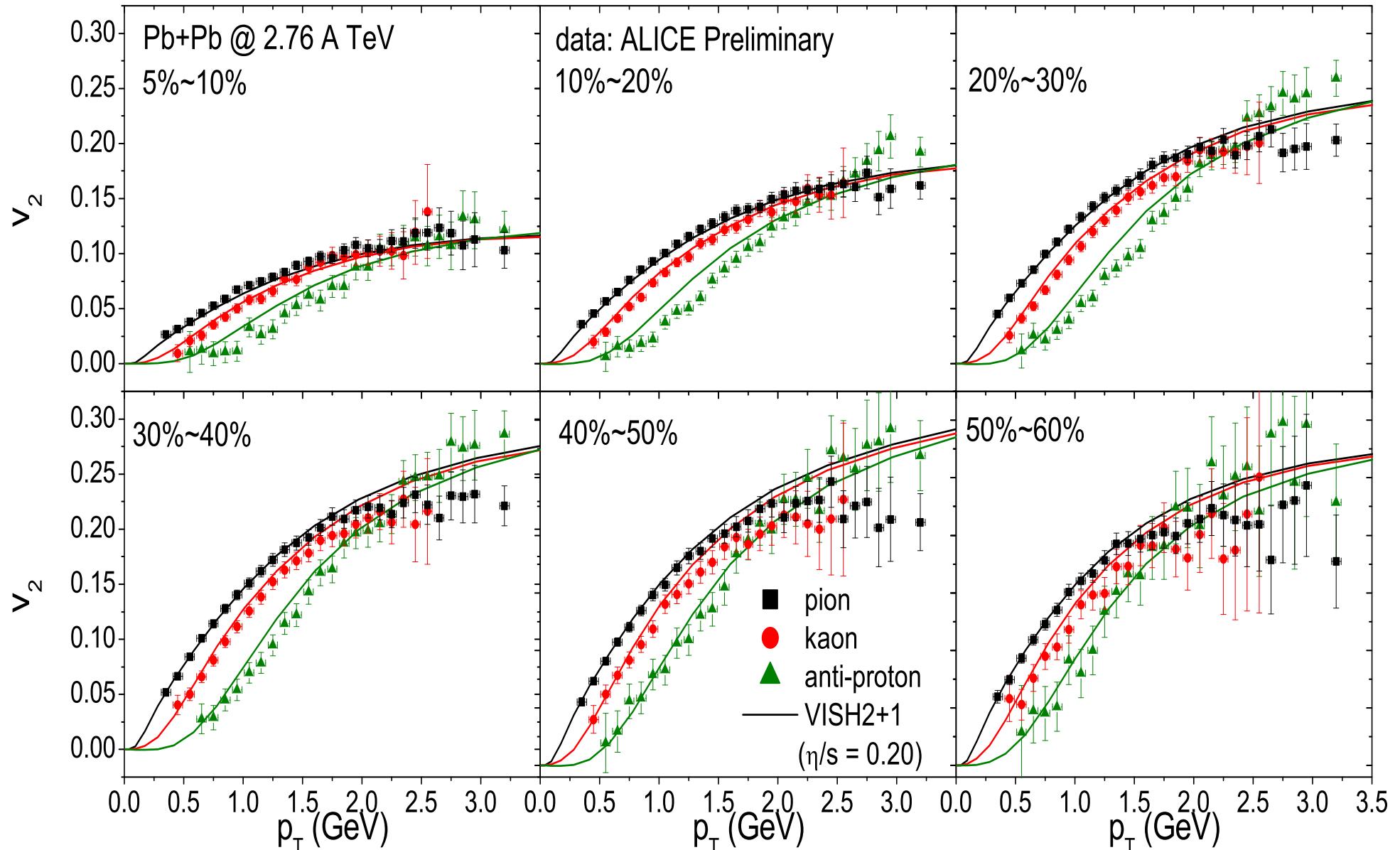
- “Standard” $T_{\text{chem}} = 164$ MeV reproduces strange hadrons but overpredicts (anti-)protons by 50%!
- $p\bar{p}$ annihilation in UrQMD not strong enough to repair this
- Similar problem already seen at RHIC but not taken seriously (STAR/PHENIX disagreement)

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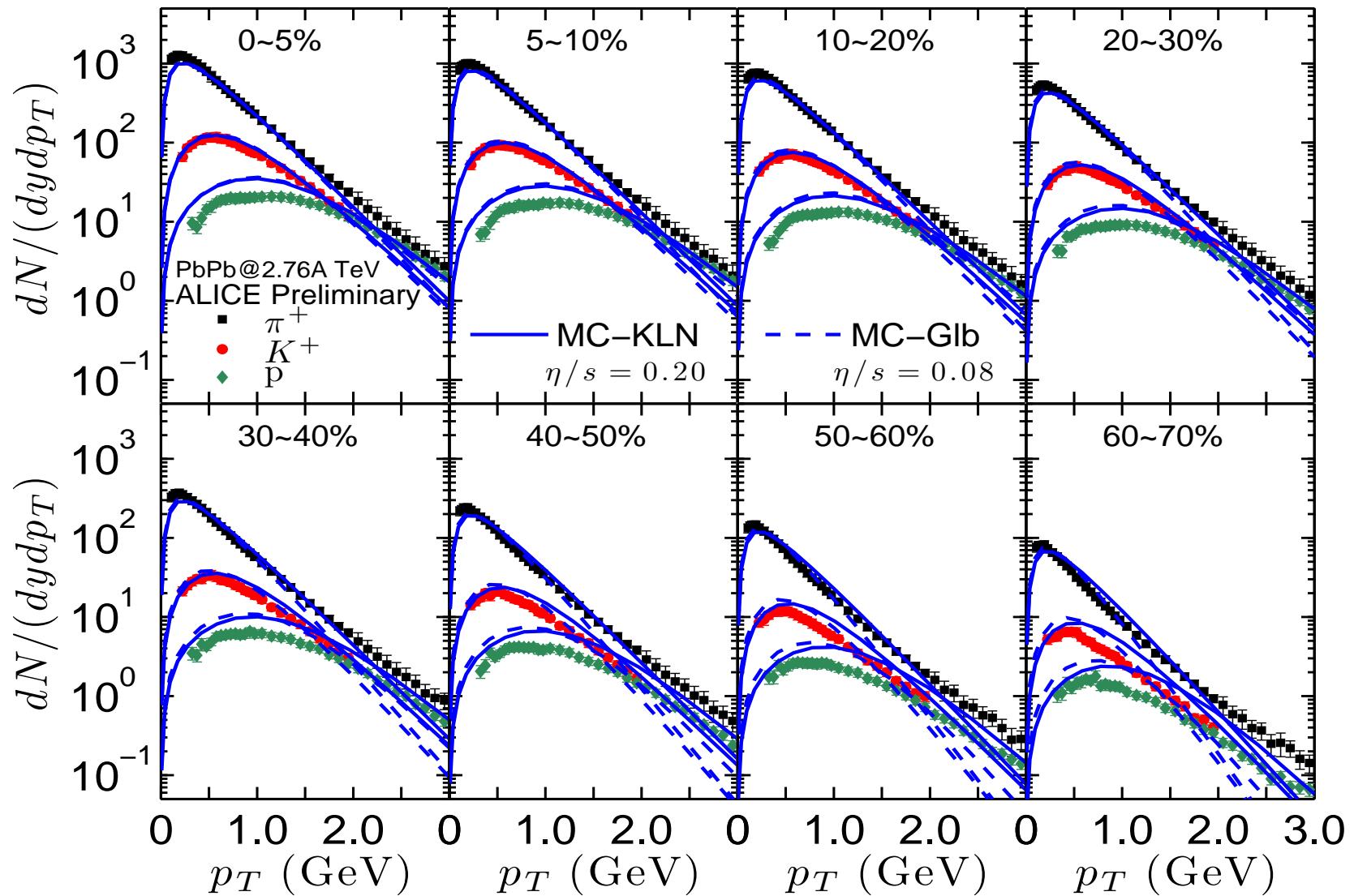
Comparison of ALICE PbPb@LHC v_2 data with VISH2+1

Data: ALICE (Snellings, Krzewicki, Quark Matter 2011)

Prediction: C. Shen et al., PRC84 (2011) 044903 (VISH2+1, MC-KLN, $\eta/s=0.2$)



PbPb@LHC p_T -spectra: Glauber vs. KLN



- In central collisions no difference between the models.

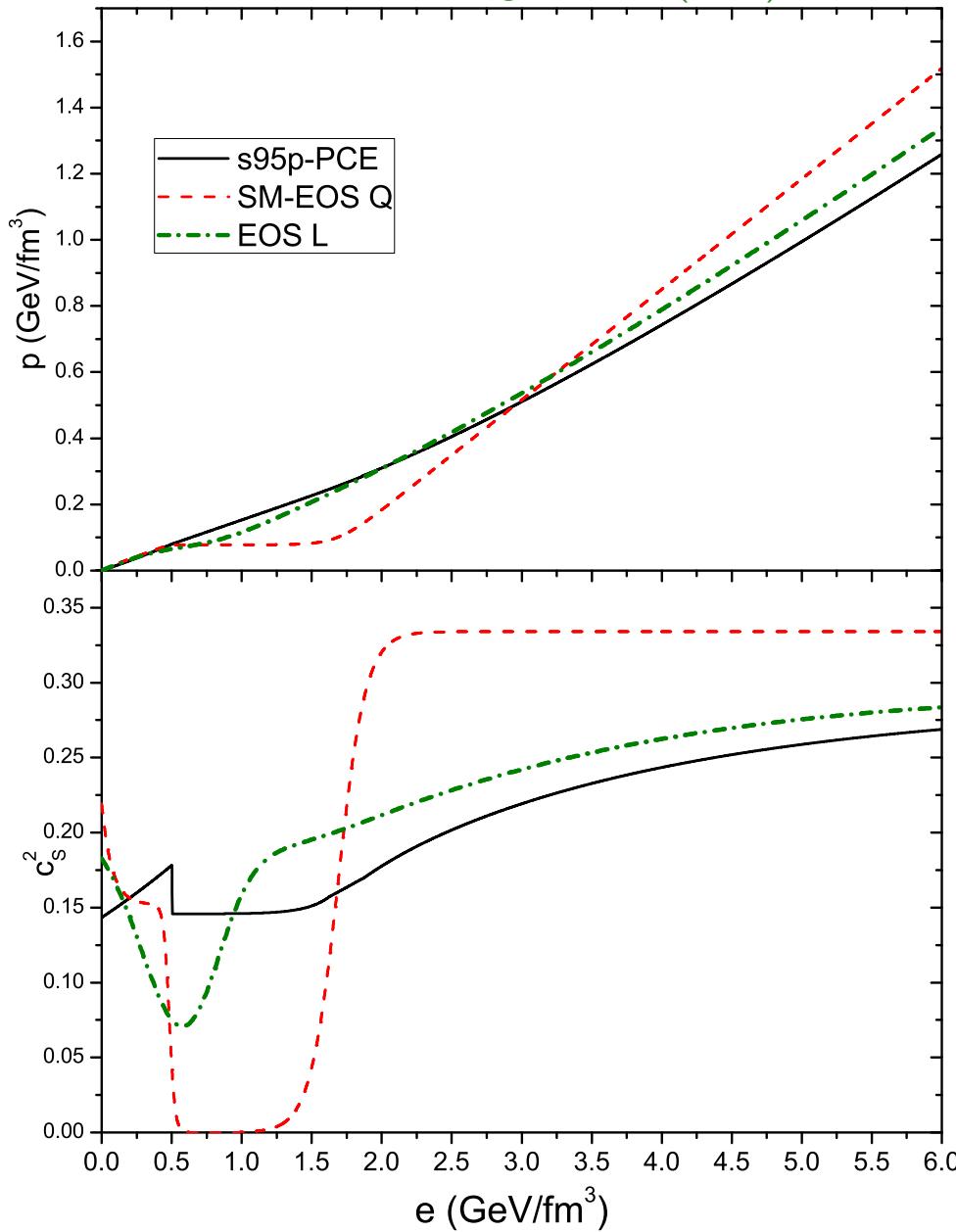
- In peripheral collisions p_T -spectra from MC-Glauber IC too steep!

This is an artifact of single-shot hydro with averaged initial profile; for small $\eta/s = 0.08$ (but not for $\eta/s = 0.2!$), e-by-e hydro gives flatter p_T -spectra in peripheral collisions, due to hot spots

s95p-PCE: A realistic, lattice-QCD-based EOS

Huovinen, Petreczky, NPA 837 (2010) 26

Shen, Heinz, Huovinen, Song, PRC 82 (2010) 054904

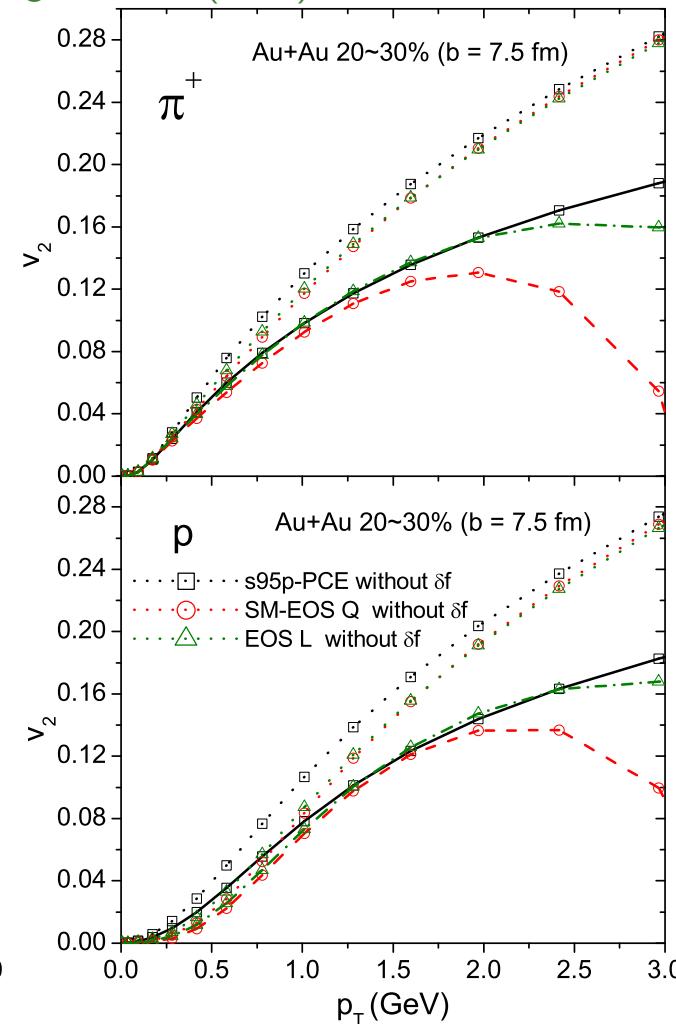
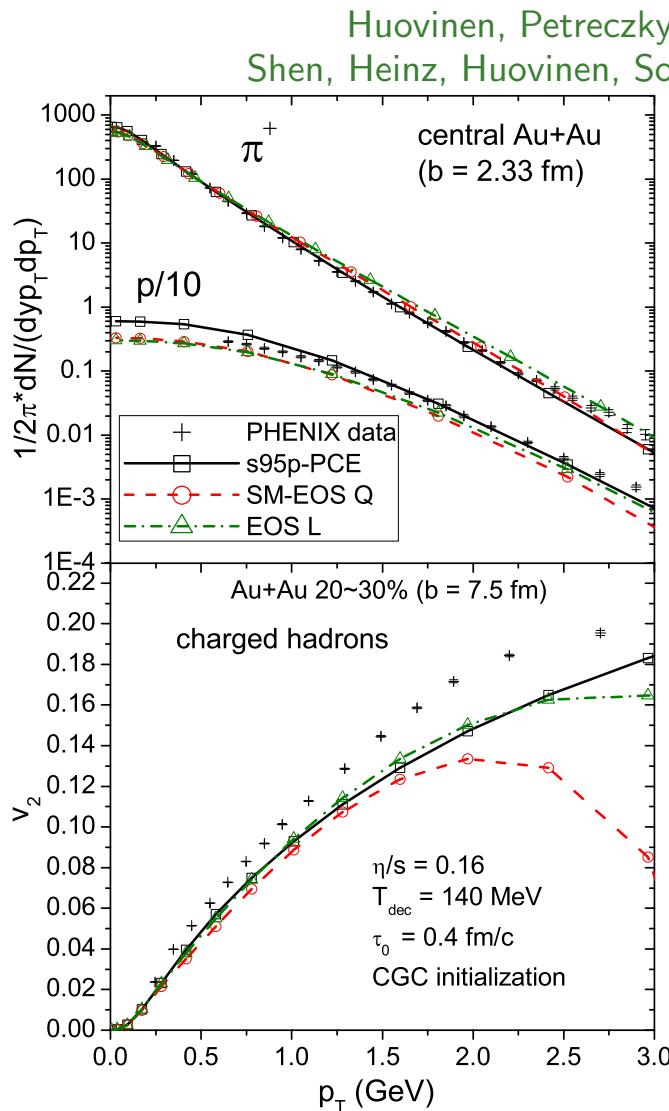


High T : Lattice QCD (latest hotQCD results)

Low T : Chemically frozen HRG ($T_{\text{chem}} = 165 \text{ MeV}$)

No softest point!

s95p-PCE: A realistic, lattice-QCD-based EOS



Generates less radial flow than SM-EOS Q and EOS L but larger momentum anisotropy

Smooth transition leads to smaller δf at freeze-out

⇒ larger v_2