



Jet-Medium Coupling in Heavy-Ion Collisions

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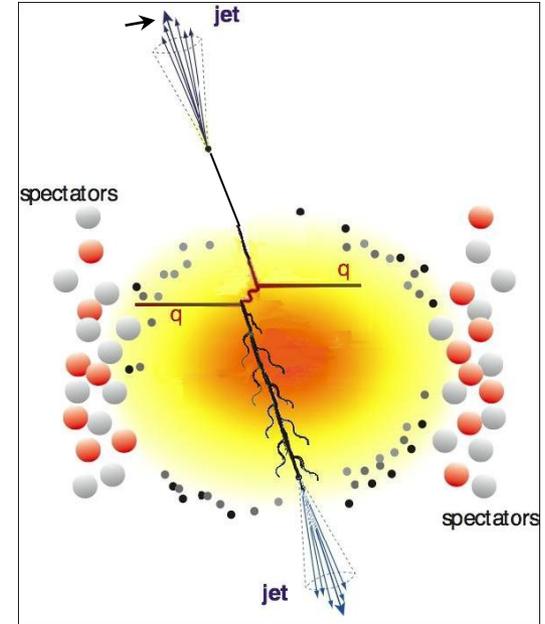
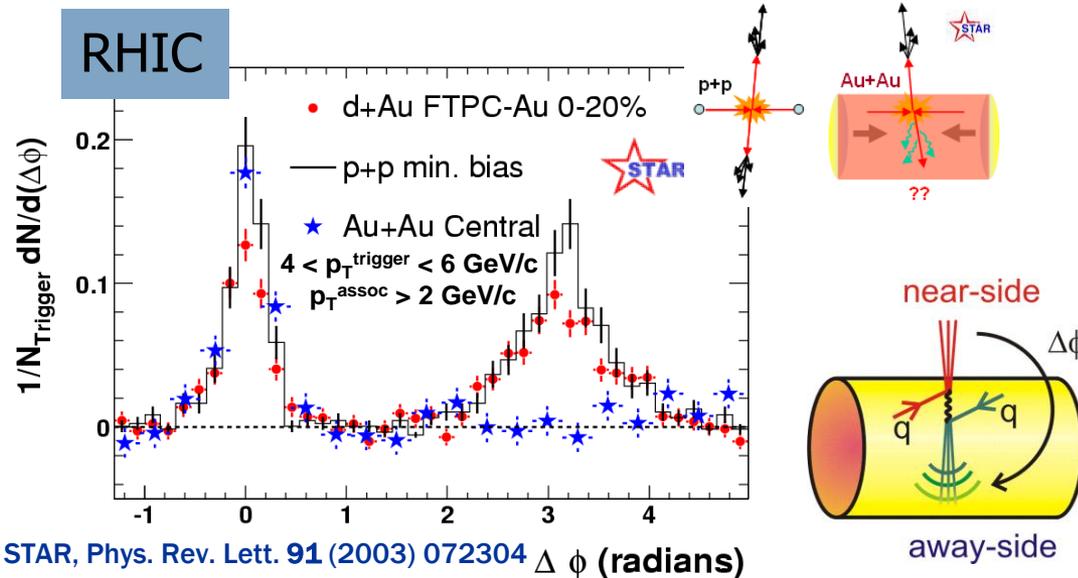
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arXiv: 1305.6458 (submitted to PRL)

Jet Quenching

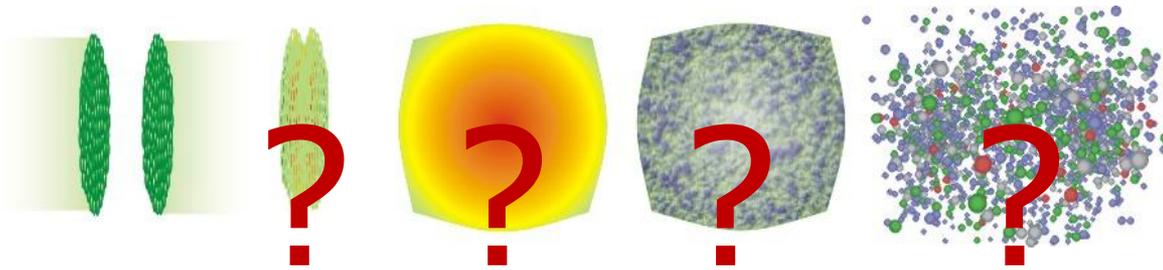
Jet Quenching is a way of learning about the opacity of a system

Idea: Jet moving through dense matter, depositing its energy should eventually disappear



- ⇒ Signal for creation of an opaque matter (Quark-Gluon Plasma)
- ⇒ What does this tell us about the jet-medium coupling?

Open Problems in HIC



S. Bass, Talk Quark Matter 2001

Some basic questions in HIC (an incomplete list):

What are the initial conditions (Glauber vs. CGC/KLN)?

Is the medium weakly or strongly-coupled (pQCD vs. AdS/CFT)?

How viscous is the medium created?

How big is the jet-medium coupling?

How does the jet-energy loss look like?

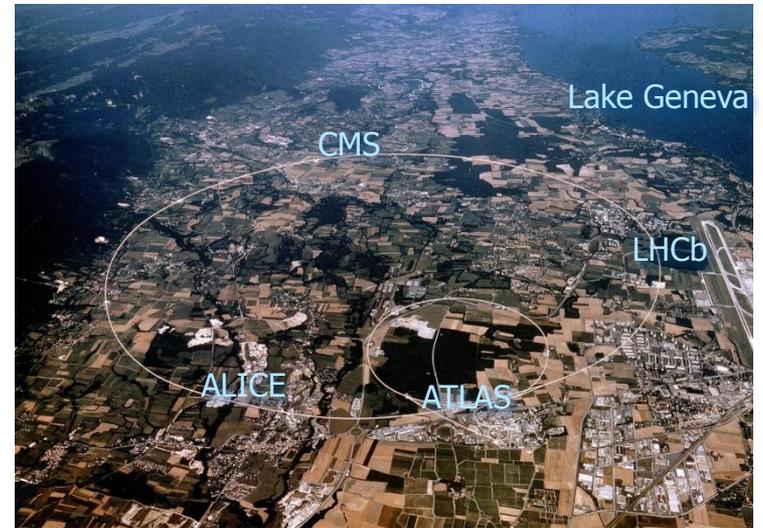
What is the correct description of the freeze-out/fragmentation into particles?

RHIC



VS.

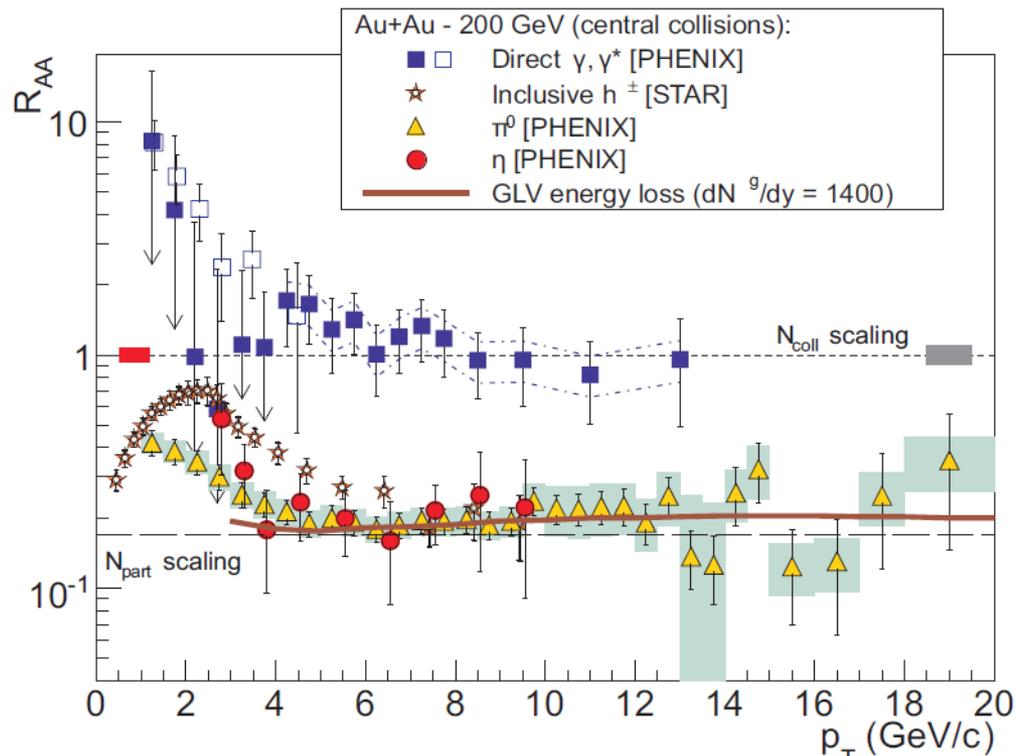
LHC



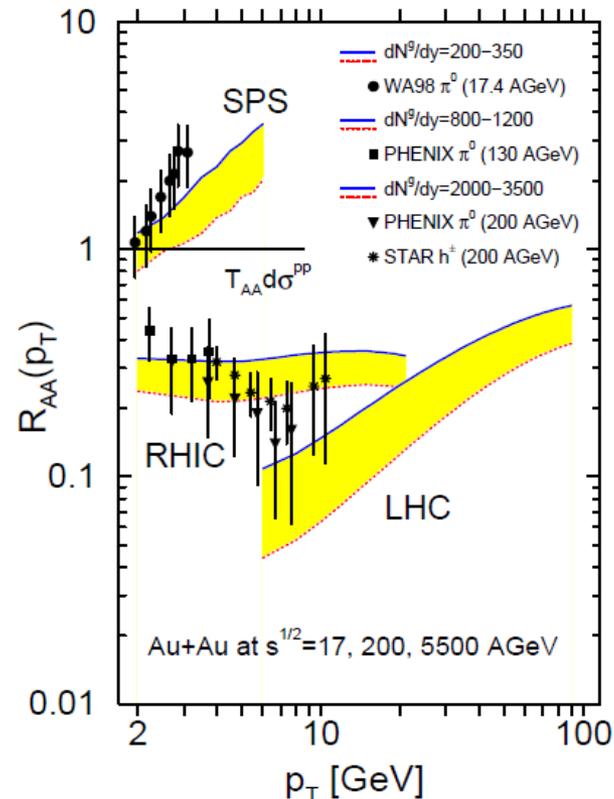
The Nuclear Modification Factor

RHIC & LHC

2002 prediction based on pQCD



D'Enterria et al., Springer Lecture Notes Physics (LNP) 2009



Vitev et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. **89**, 252301 (2002)

⇒ R_{AA} @RHIC is flat, R_{AA} @LHC strongly increases with p_T

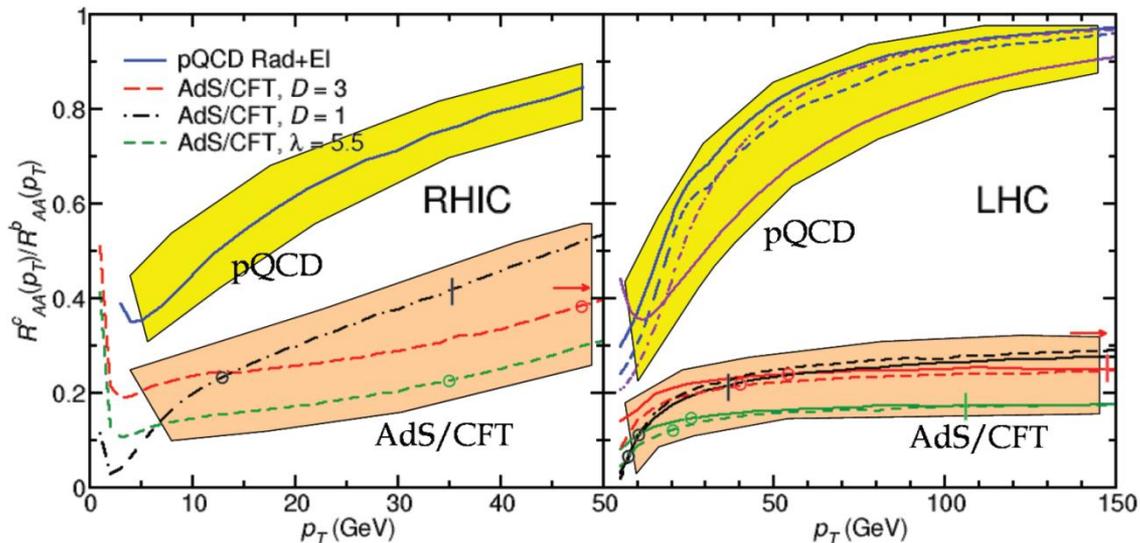
⇒ $p_T < 20$ GeV: R_{AA} @LHC < R_{AA} @RHIC

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

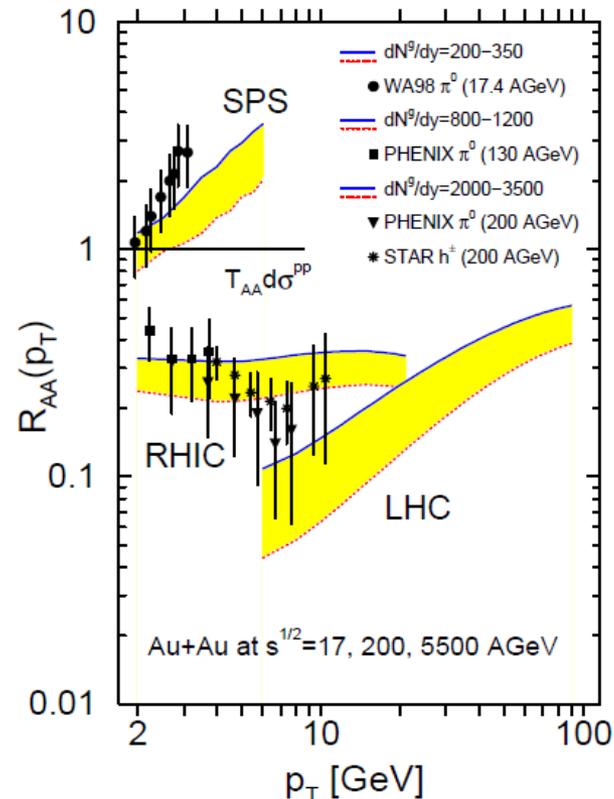
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W. A. Horowitz, J. Phys. G **35**, 044025 (2008)

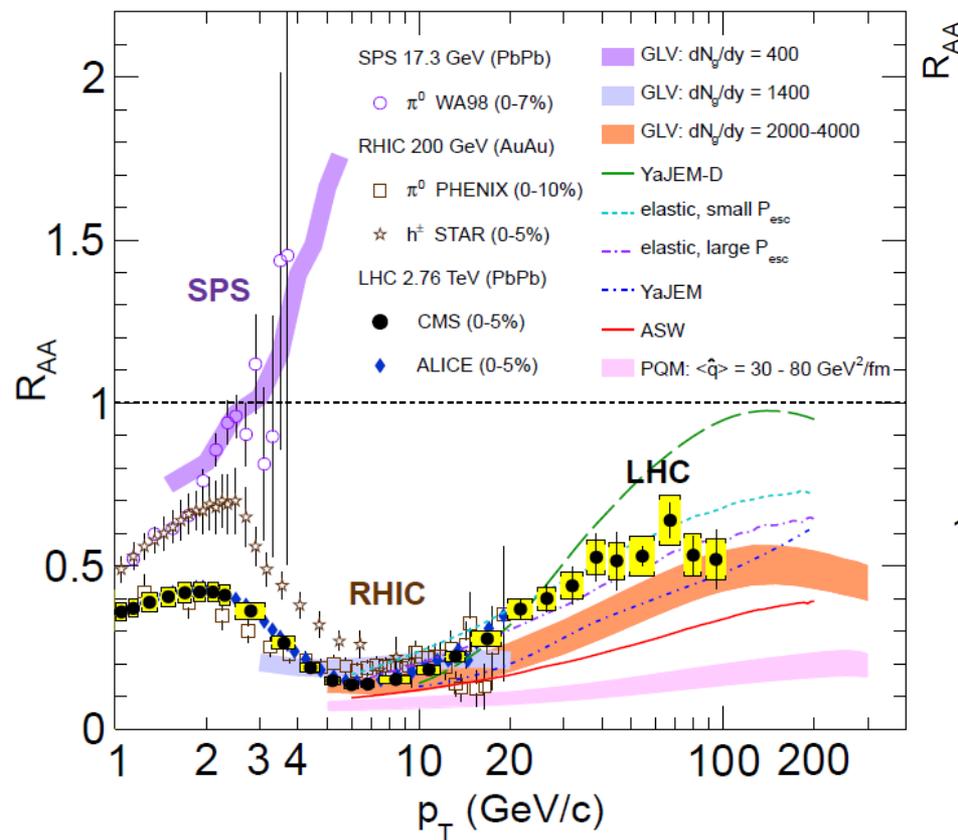


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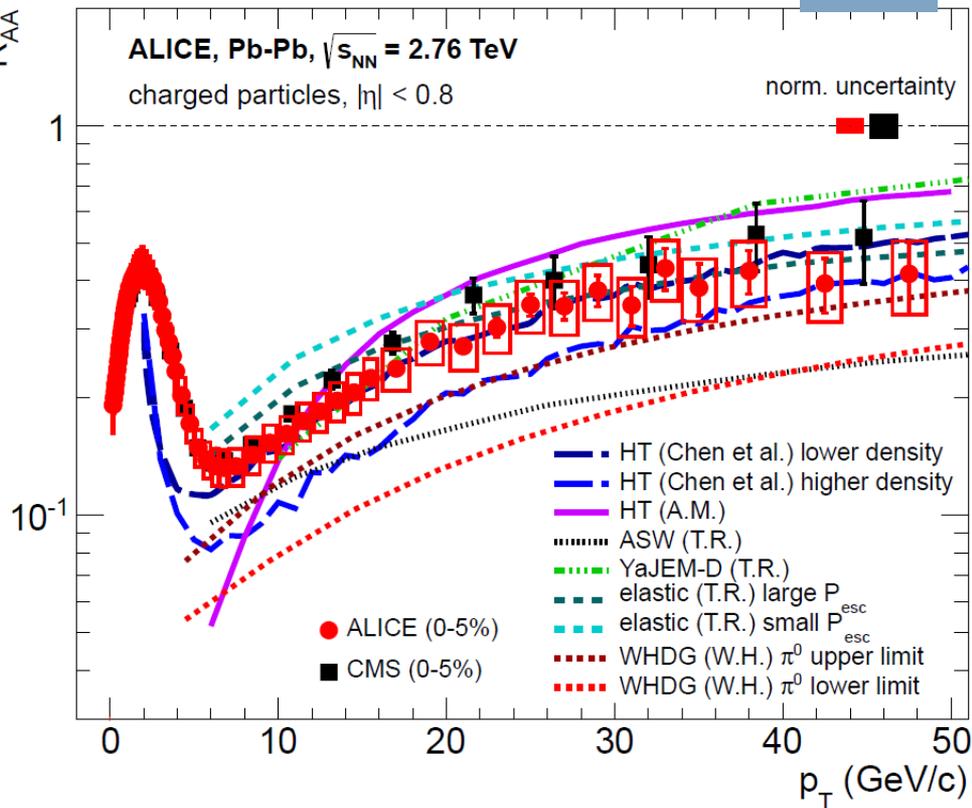
⇒ 2008: An AdS/CFT-like energy loss will lead to a flat $R_{AA}(p_T)$ @LHC

LHC Jet-Quenching: Experiment

LHC



CMS Collaboration, Eur. Phys. J C 72, 1945 (2012)



ALICE Collaboration, Phys. Lett. B 720, 52 (2013)

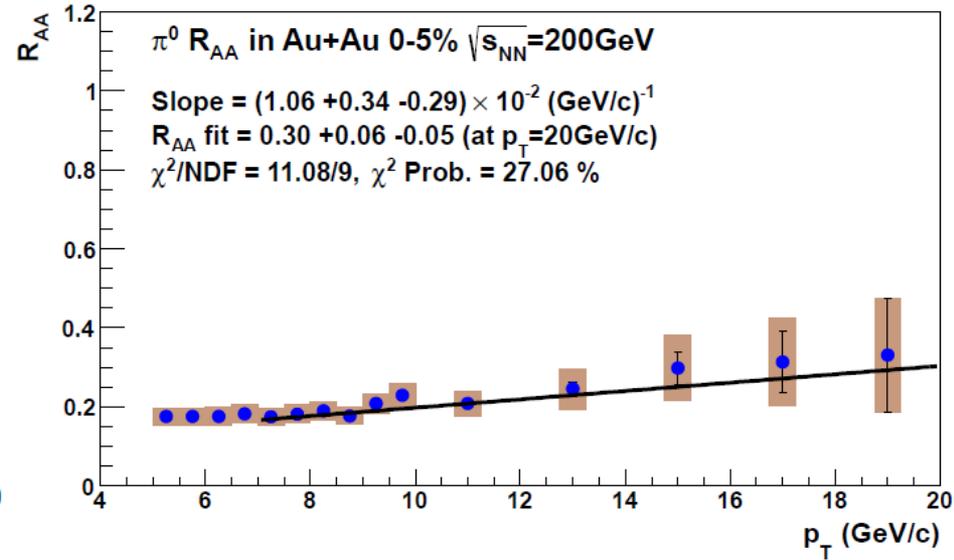
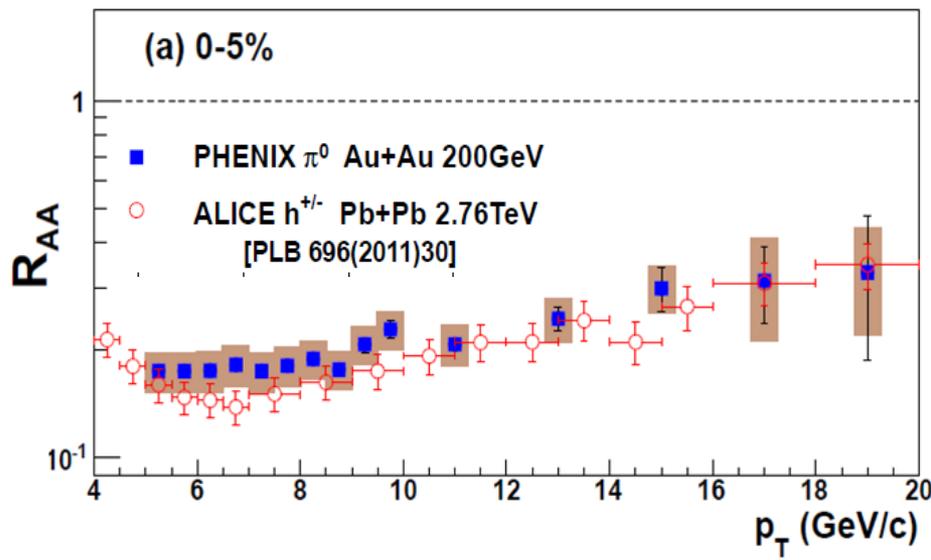
⇒ $R_{AA}(p_T)$ @LHC: Does that rule out an AdS-like energy loss?

⇒ R_{AA} @LHC not as small as predicted

⇒ Wide variety of models that might or might not describe the data

New PHENIX results

RHIC

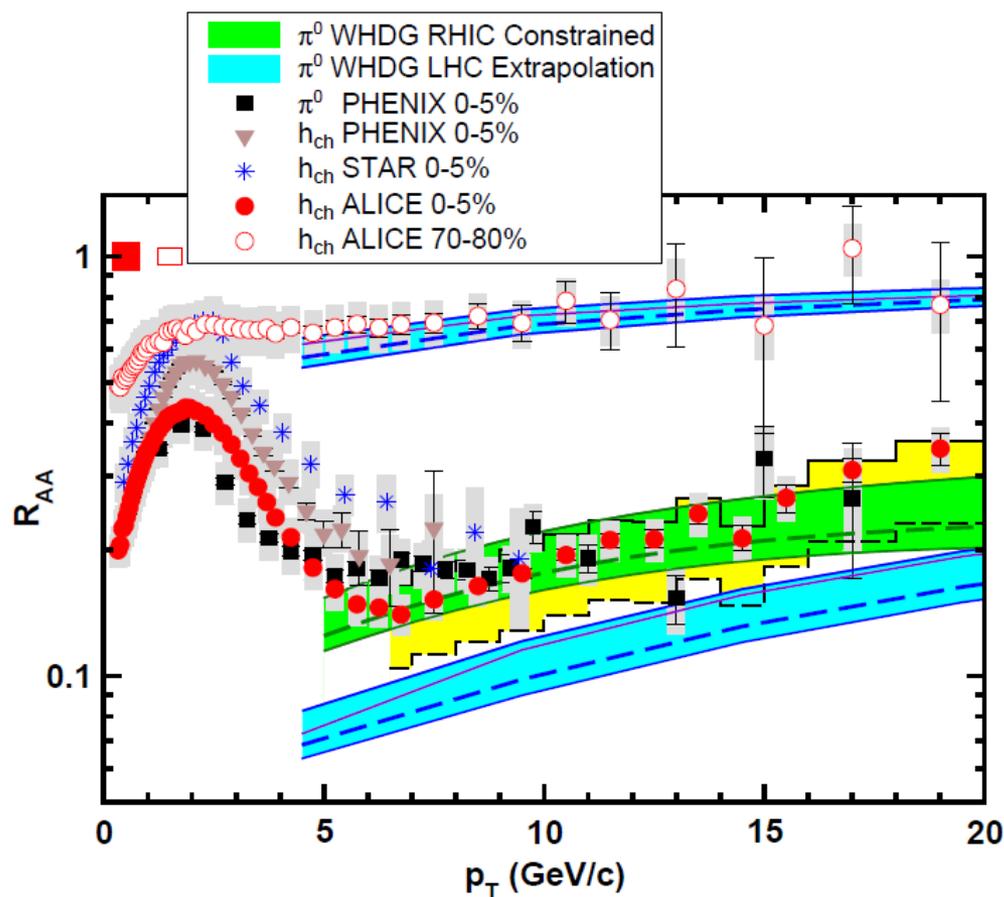


PHENIX Collaboration, arXiv: 1208.2254

⇒ New PHENIX (higher precision & larger p_T) indicate rising R_{AA} @RHIC

⇒ $p_T > 15$ GeV: remarkable similarity of RHIC & LHC results, **in contrast to predictions**

LHC Jet-Quenching: Theory



RHIC & LHC

Puzzle: RHIC constrained models tend to overquench R_{AA} @LHC

W. Horowitz et al., Nucl. Phys. A **872**, 265 (2011)

Is the jet-medium coupling at LHC weaker? By how much?

⇒ Quantify the reduction of the jet-medium coupling @LHC

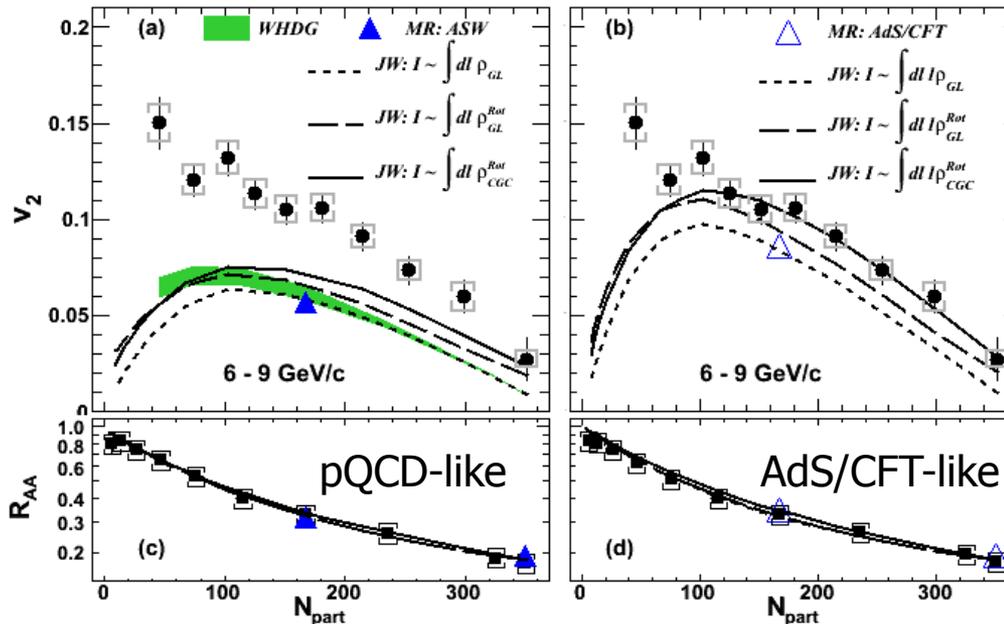
Energy-Loss Mechanisms

Generic model of jet-energy loss:

RHIC & LHC

$$\frac{dP}{d\tau}(\vec{x}_0, \phi, \tau) = -\kappa P^a(\tau) \tau^z T^{c=2-a+z}[\vec{x}_\perp(\tau), \tau, b]$$

including fragmentation, and examining an “averaged scenario” for Glauber and CGC-like initial conditions
 B.Betz et al., PRC 84, 024913 (2011)



A. Adare et al, Phys. Rev. Lett. 105, 142301 (2010)

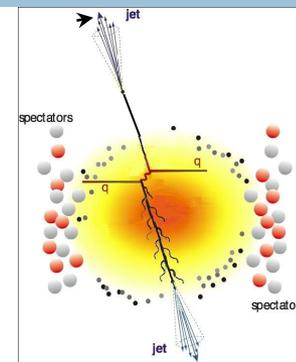
generalized from
 Jia's survival model
 J. Jia et al., PRC 82 (2010), 024902

Energy-Loss Mechanisms II

Generic model of jet-energy loss:

RHIC & LHC

$$\frac{dP}{d\tau}(\vec{x}_0, \phi, \tau) = -\kappa P^a(\tau) \tau^z T^{c=2-a+z}[\vec{x}_\perp(\tau), \tau, b]$$



- **a=1, z=0:** **Bethe-Heitler limit**
energy loss of charged particles passing through matter, based on the Dirac equation and the Born approximation for the interaction of the particle with the field of a nucleus.
- **a~0, z~1:** **Landau-Pomeranchuk Migdal (LPM) pQCD**
quantum interferences between successive scatterings (LPM effect) leads to a suppression of the radiation spectrum compared to Bethe-Heitler.
- **a=1/3, z=1:** **DGLV (logarithmic) jet-energy dependence & a=1/3 is lower bound of power a in falling string scenario**
- **a=0,1, z=2:** **"AdS/CFT" model**

a	z	c	In. Cond.
0	1	3	Glauber
1/3	1	8/3	Glauber dcg1.2
1	2	3	„Jia“ dcg1.2
0	2	4	AdS

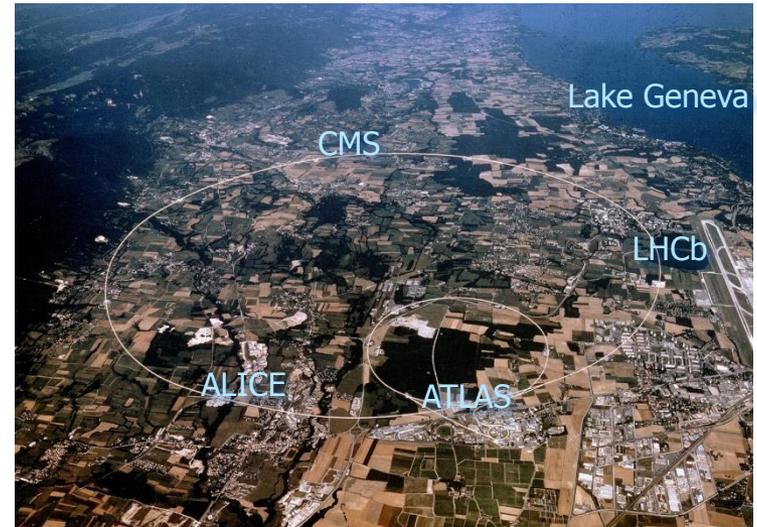
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A. Ficin, arXiv: 1201.1780

RHIC



LHC



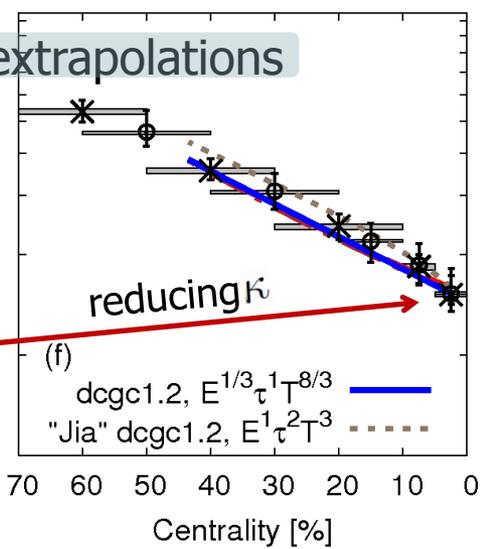
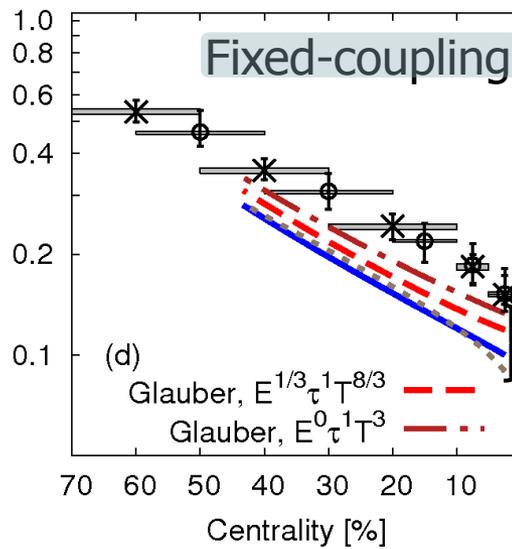
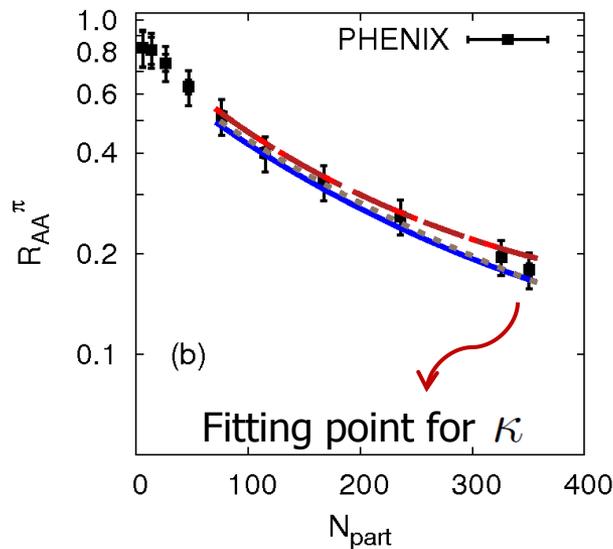
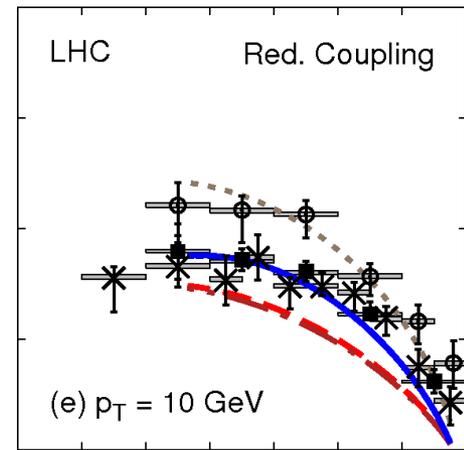
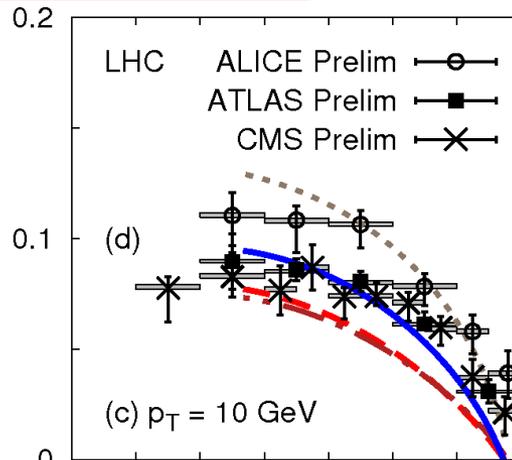
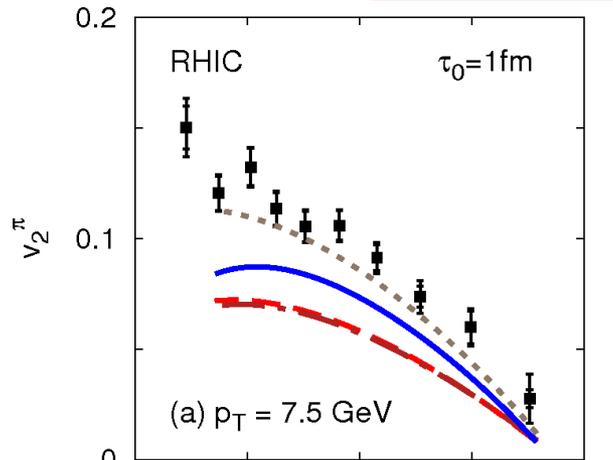
VS.

pure Bjorken expansion

R_{AA} and v_2^π at RHIC vs. LHC

Bjorken expanding medium

B. Betz et al., PRC 86, 024903 (2012)



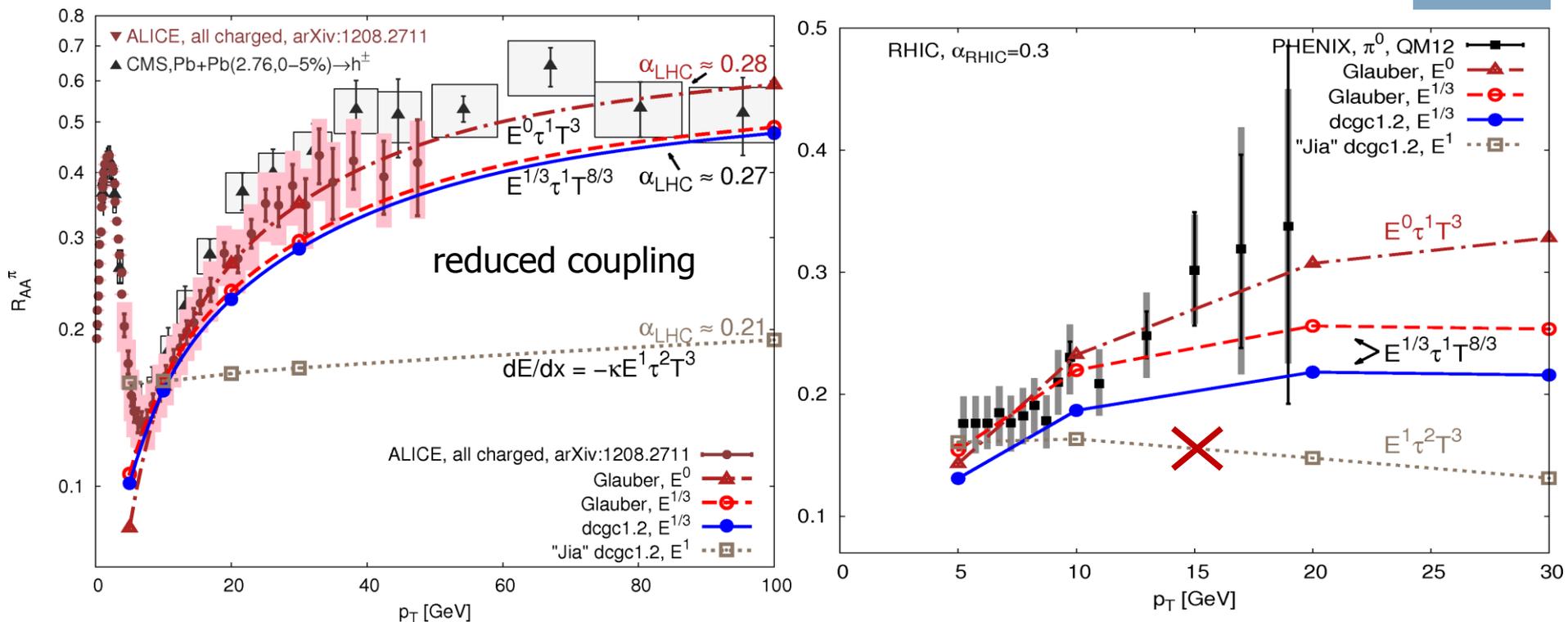
⇒ Moderate reduction of the running coupling: $\alpha_{LHC} \sim 0.24 - 0.28$

$R_{AA}(p_T)$ at LHC & RHIC

LHC

Bjorken expanding medium

RHIC

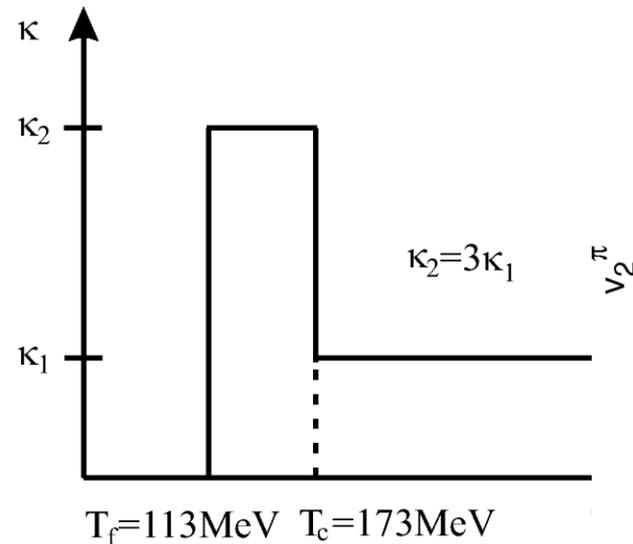


- ⇒ Linear p_T -dependent ($a=1$) model describes RHIC $p_T < 10$ GeV data well but is falsified at LHC
- ⇒ Rapid rise of $R_{AA}(p_T)$ rules out any model with $dE/dx \sim E^{a > 1/3}$

Fixed vs. Temperature-Dependent Coupling

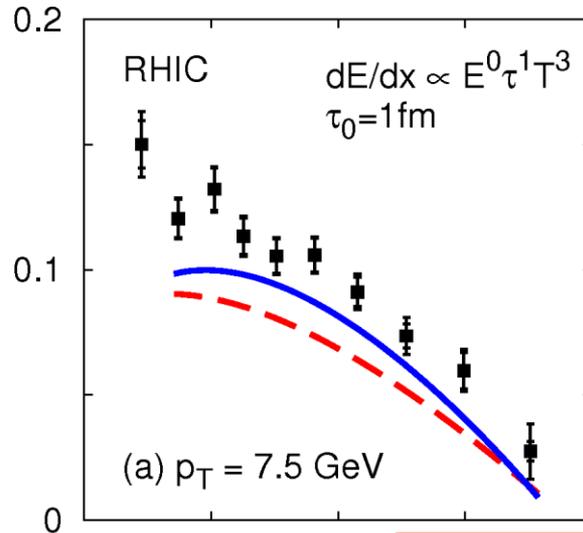
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Temperature-dependent Coupling

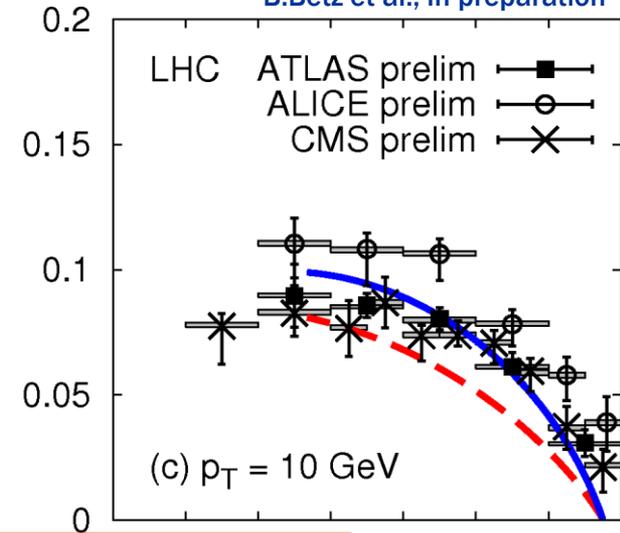


J.Liao et al., PRL 102 (2009) 202302

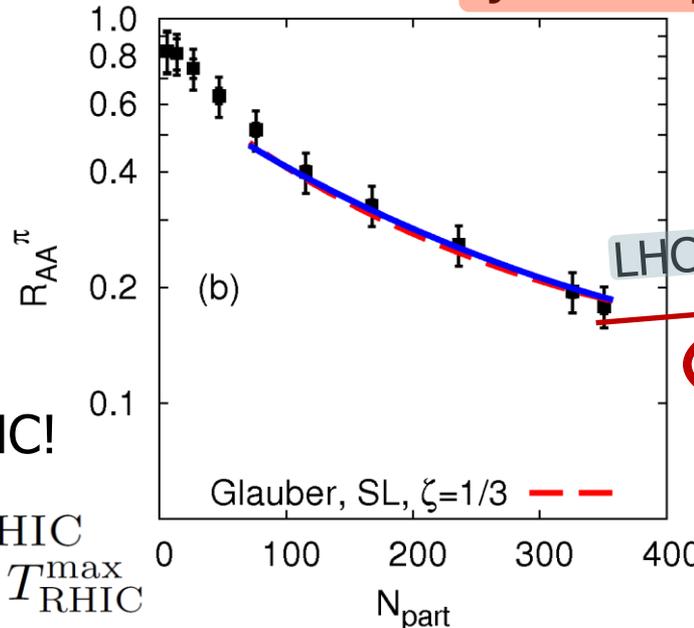
$$\zeta = \kappa_1 / \kappa_2$$



B.Betz et al., in preparation

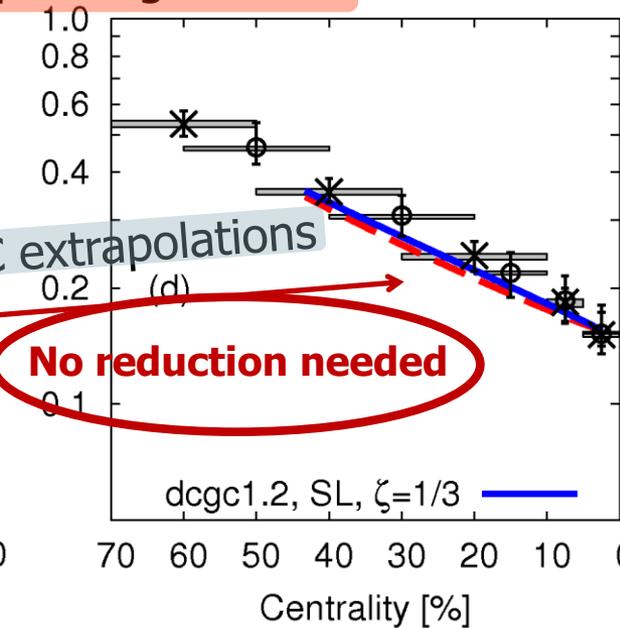


Bjorken expanding medium



LHC extrapolations

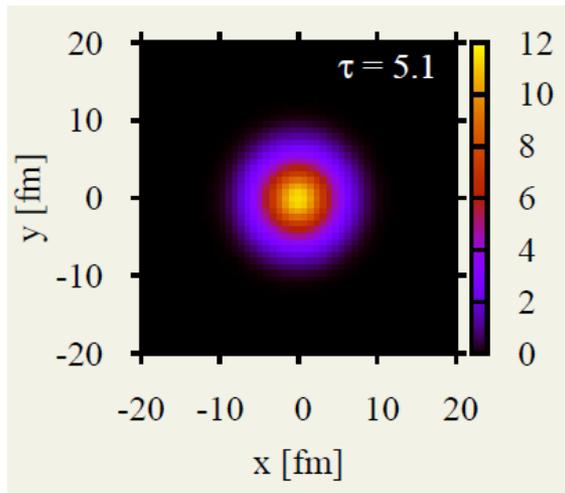
No reduction needed



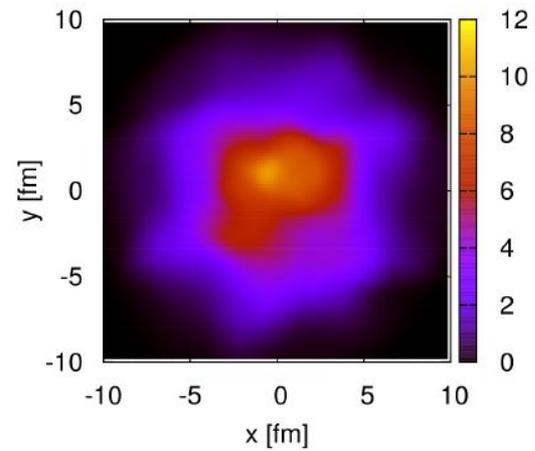
⇒ Assumes the same $\kappa(T)$ at RHIC and LHC!

⇒ eff $\kappa_{LHC} < \text{eff } \kappa_{RHIC}$ because $T_{LHC}^{max} \sim 1.3 T_{RHIC}^{max}$

Transverse expansion

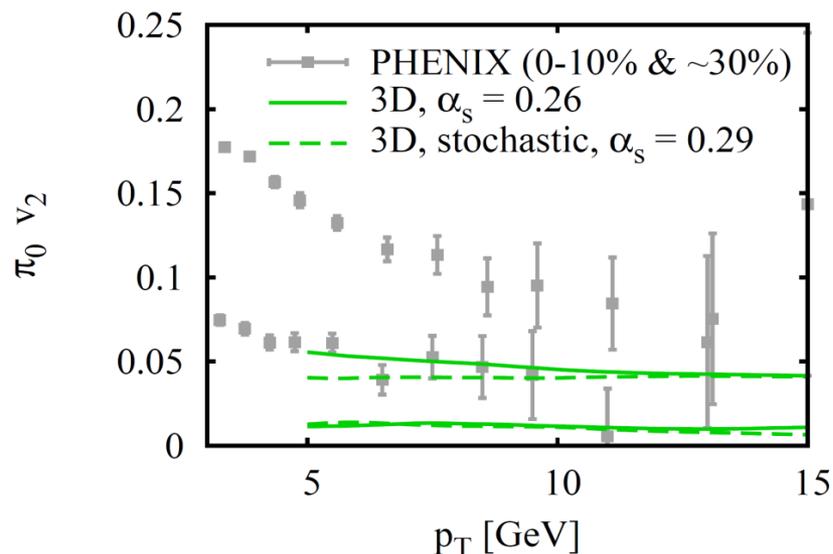


D. Molnar

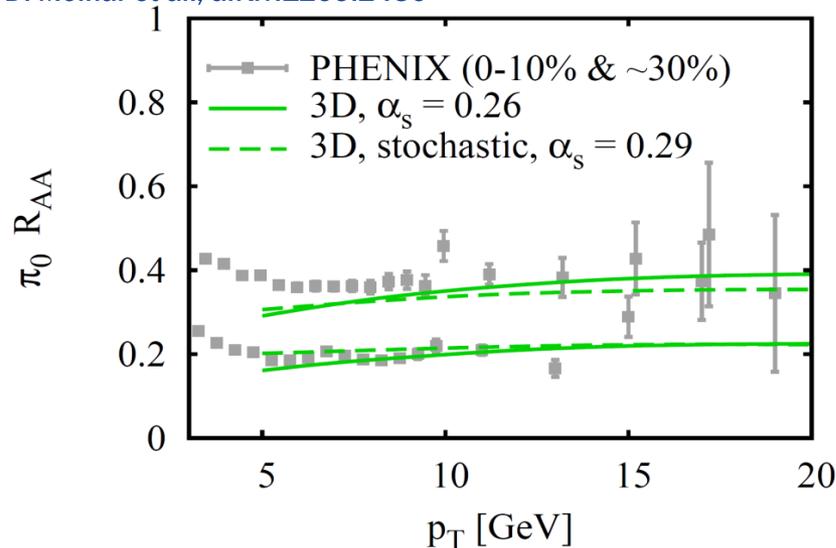


B. Schenke

MPC 3D Twist



D. Molnar et al., arXiv:1209.2430



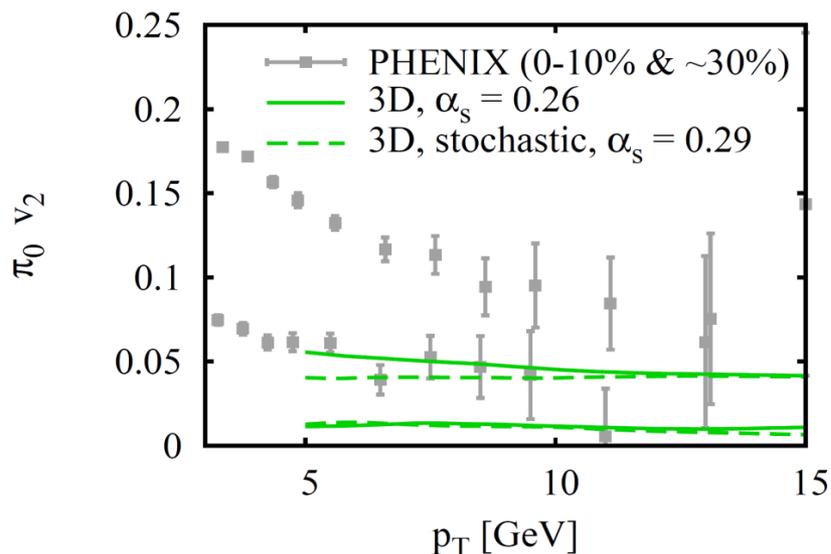
Considering a combination of (D)GLV and the parton transport model (MPC) and

D. Molnar et al., Phys. Rev. C 62, 054907 (2000)

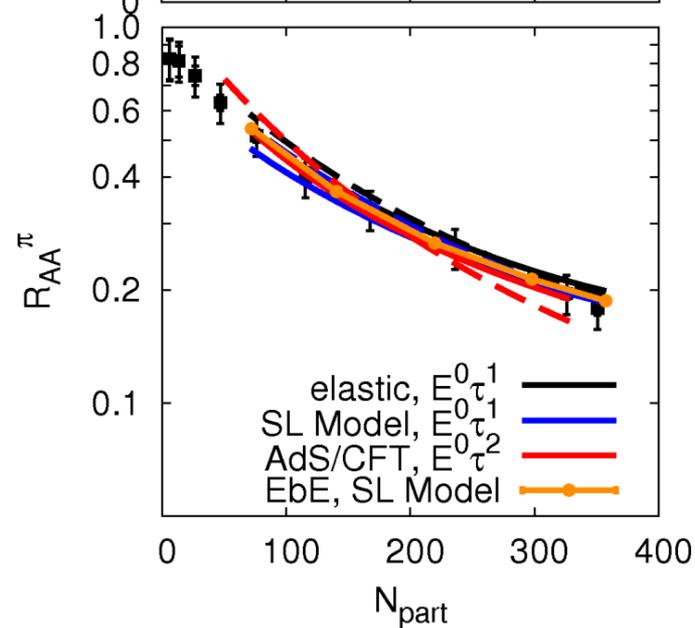
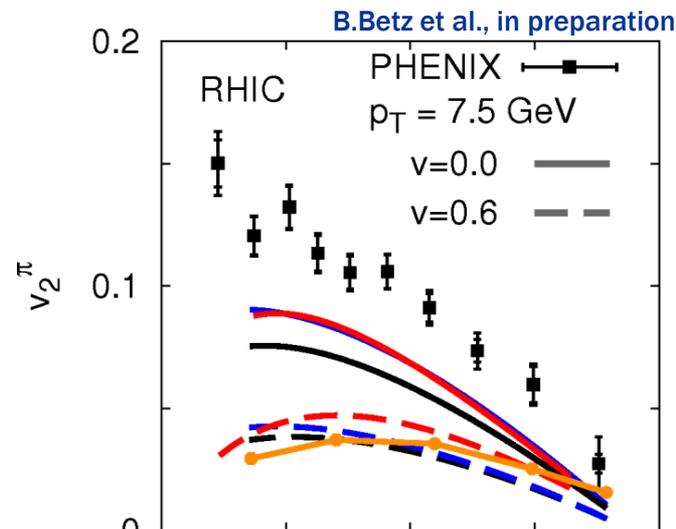
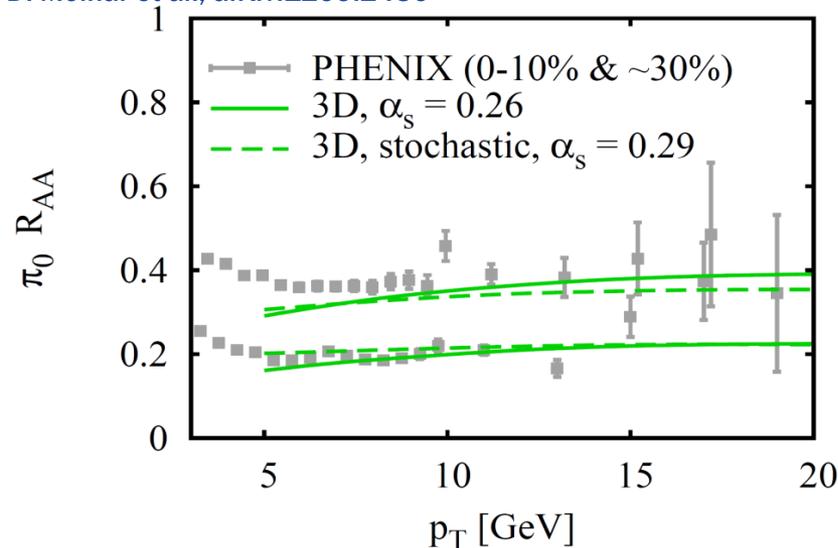
a **3d expansion**

⇒ The pion v_2 at RHIC energies is a factor of 2 too small

Check with simple 3d blast wave model

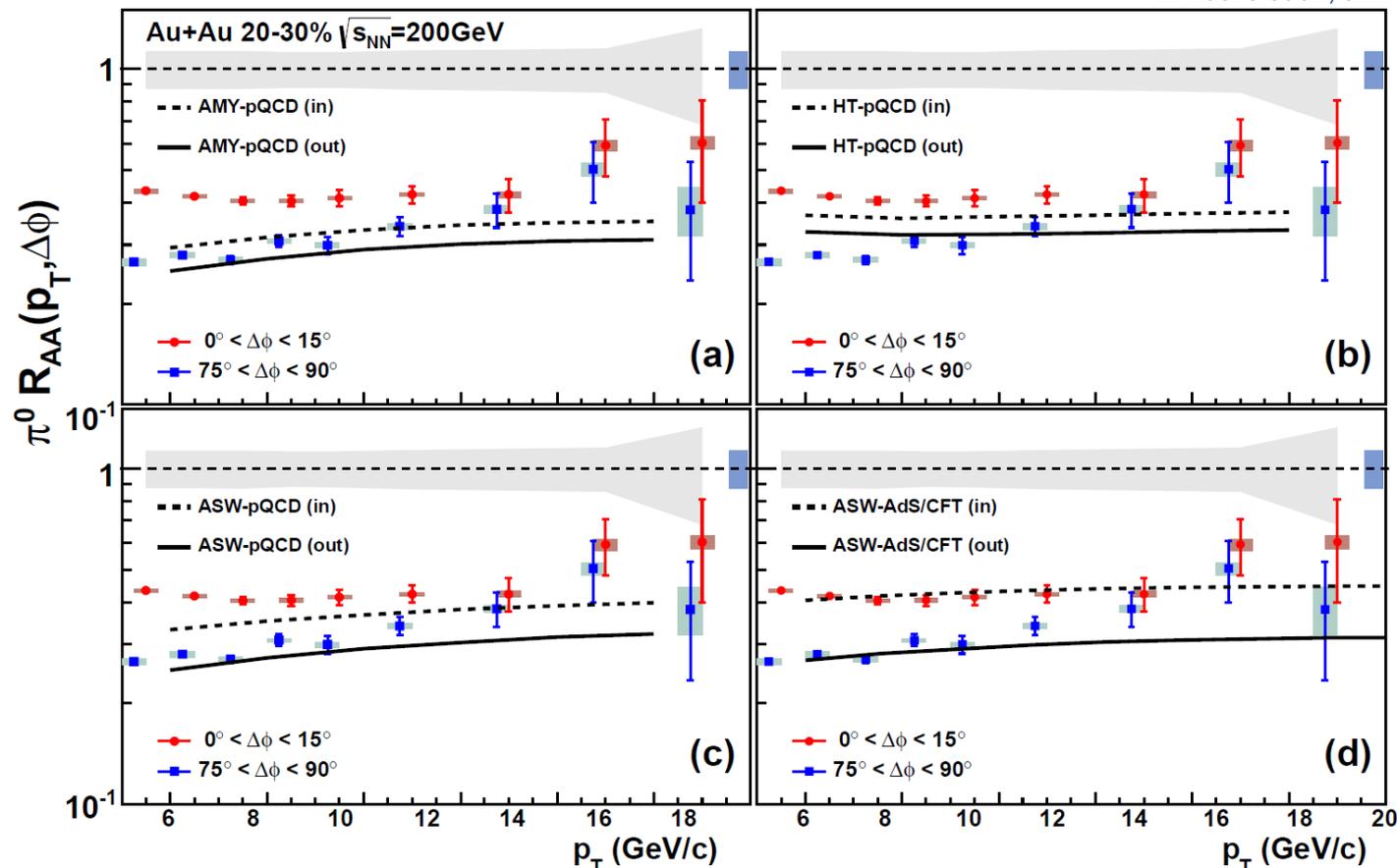


D. Molnar et al., arXiv:1209.2430



⇒ Reduction of the pion v_2 by a factor of 2 considering **transverse expansion**

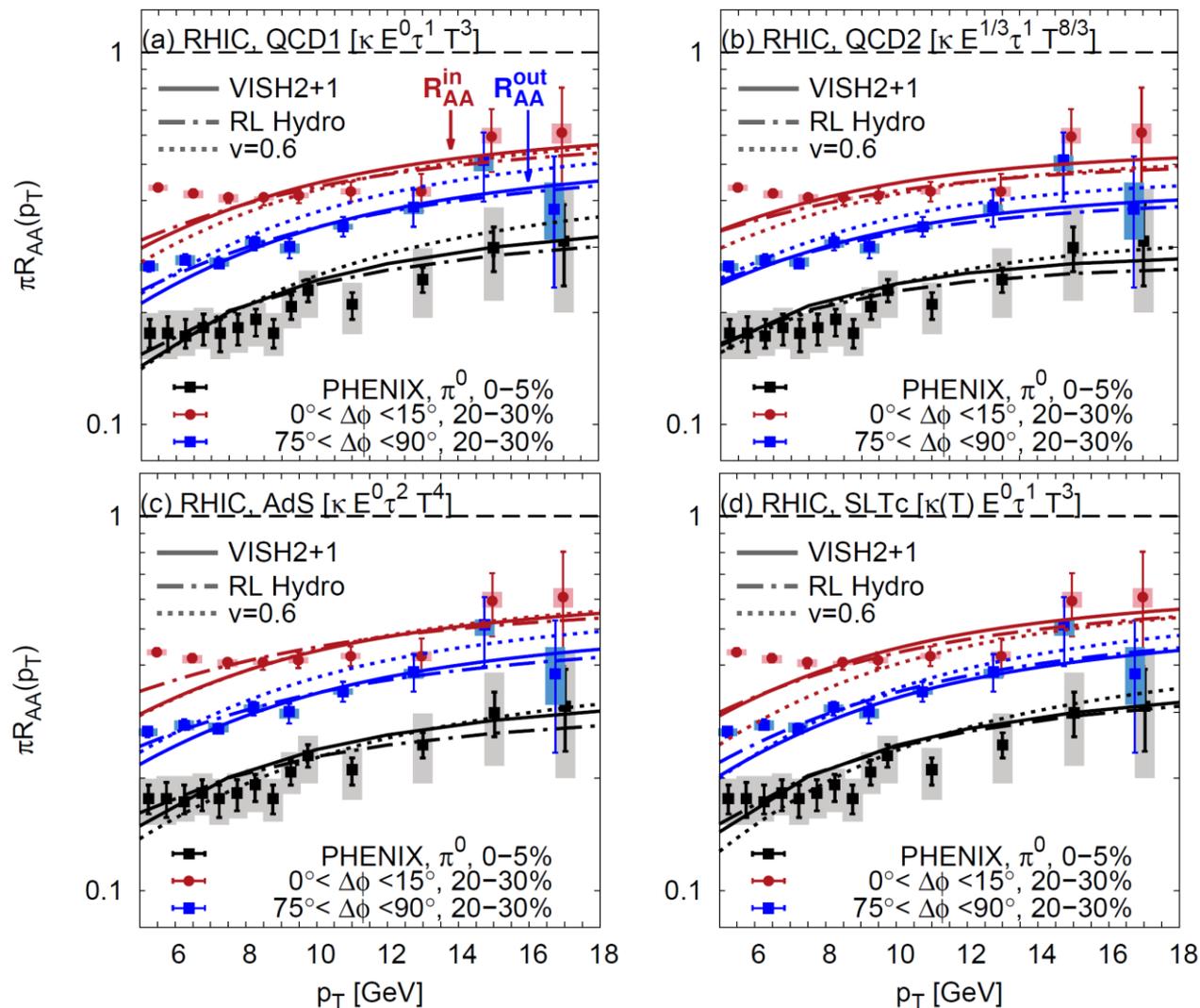
R_{AA}^{in} and R_{AA}^{out} at RHIC and LHC



→ $R_{AA}^{\text{in}} = R_{AA}(1 + 2v_2)$ and $R_{AA}^{\text{out}} = R_{AA}(1 - 2v_2)$ provide information about **both R_{AA} and v_2**

⇒ Conclusion: Only ASW-AdS/CFT can describe both R_{AA}^{in} and R_{AA}^{out} for a **3d expanding medium**

R_{AA}^{in} and R_{AA}^{out} at RHIC



Blast wave model ($v=0.6$) fails to describe the data

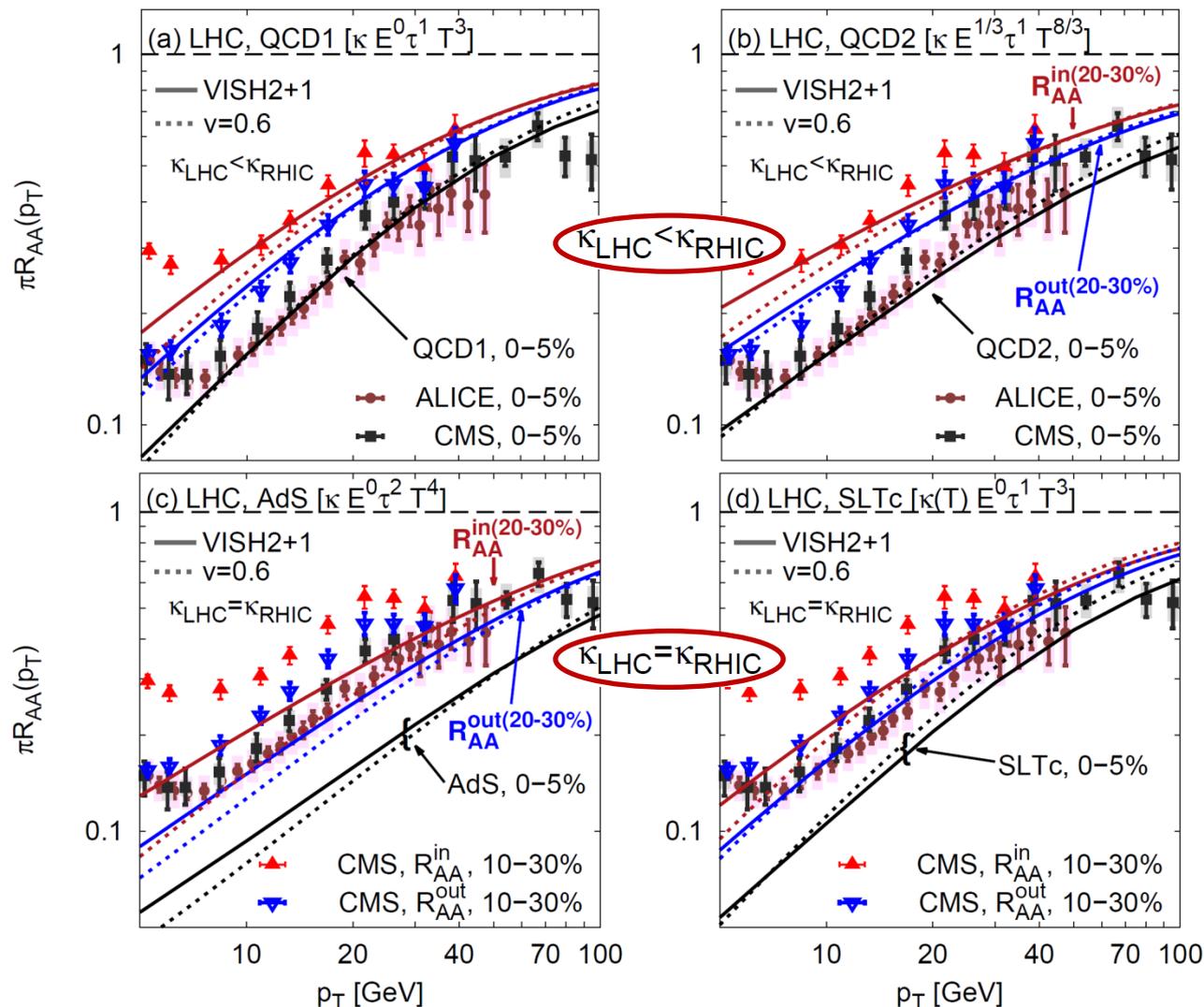
$\Rightarrow v_2$ is too small

Ideal and viscous hydro that reproduce the bulk properties succeed in describing the data

Qualitative difference to PHENIX results: Hydro code in PHENIX plot uses a hydro code with a Bag model EoS (vanishing speed of sound)

B. Betz et al., arXiv:1305.6458

R_{AA}^{in} and R_{AA}^{out} at the LHC



B. Betz et al., arXiv:1305.6458

Like at RHIC energies, the blast wave model fails to describe the data

The AdS and the SLTc model (assuming no running coupling) also fail to describe the data

The pQCD-based QCD1 scenario describes best the data both at RHIC and at LHC

Summary & Open Problems

Comparison of recent R_{AA} @RHIC and @LHC with

- pQCD-like, AdS/CFT-inspired, and a T_C -dominated energy-loss model (SLTc)
- in a pure longitudinal (Bjorken) expanding vs. a (2+1)d transverse expanding medium (hydro vs. blast wave)

A pure Bjorken expanding medium can describe both RHIC & LHC data
BUT

inclusion of transverse expansion **requires a realistic (hydro) medium.**

⇒ The evolution of the bulk medium influences the jet-energy loss!

A **running coupling pQCD-like** energy loss seems to be favored.

The intermediate region ($2 < p_T < 8$ GeV) is underpredicted by all jet-quenching models considered. A proper theory of jet quenching in this non-equilibrium intermediate range is still needed.

Backup

Reduced Jet-Medium Coupling

What is the physical meaning of a reduced coupling?

pQCD: $\kappa \propto \alpha^3$

$$\alpha_{\text{LHC}} = (\kappa_{\text{LHC}}/\kappa_{\text{RHIC}})^{1/3} \alpha_{\text{RHIC}} \quad \alpha_{\text{RHIC}} \sim 0.3$$

fit to LHC most central data: $\alpha_{\text{LHC}} \sim 0.24 - 0.28$

(independent of initial time)

[B.Betz et al., PRC 86, 024903 \(2012\)](#)

IF α is reduced at the LHC,
 κ is reduced as well!

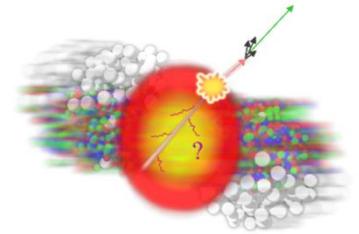
⇒ Reasonable moderate reduction of the running coupling

AdS/CFT: $\kappa \propto \sqrt{\lambda}$ ← t'Hooft coupling

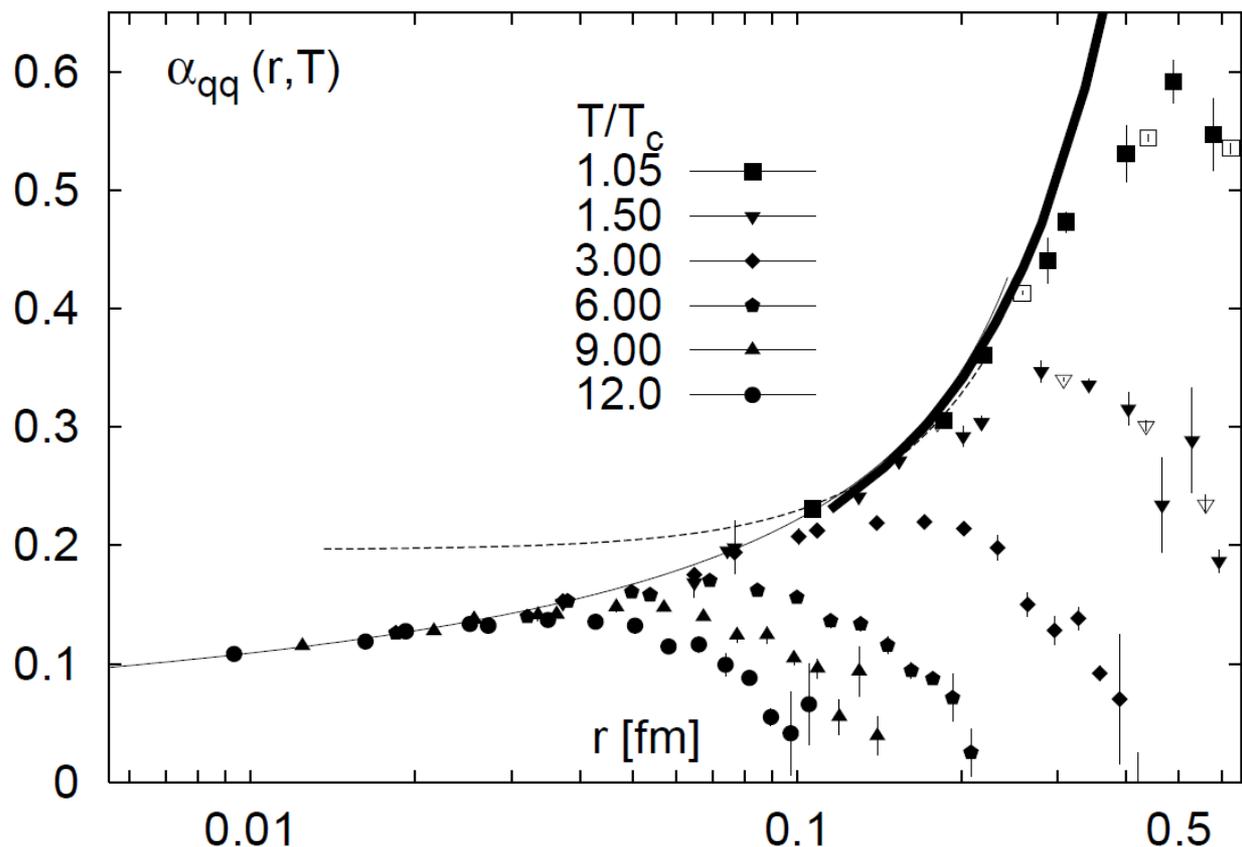
$$\lambda_{\text{LHC}} = (\kappa_{\text{LHC}}/\kappa_{\text{RHIC}})^2 \lambda_{\text{RHIC}} \quad \lambda_{\text{RHIC}} \sim 20 \text{ (heavy quarks)}$$

with the values used: $\lambda_{\text{LHC}} \sim 5 - 10$

⇒ Rather strong conformal symmetry breaking over a narrow temperature interval $(1-2)T_C$ is required



Lattice QCD running coupling



O. Kaczmarek et al., Phys. Rev. D 70,(2004) 074505

We found that the reduction of κ needed to fit the LHC data is **larger in a transverse** expanding medium.

This points to a temperature-dependent running coupling as predicted by Lattice QCD

Jet-medium coupling, transverse expansion

pQCD mode ($a=0, z=1$)

$$\frac{dP}{d\tau}(\vec{x}_0, \phi, \tau) = -\kappa P^a(\tau) \tau^z T^{c=2-a+z}[\vec{x}_\perp(\tau), \tau, b]$$

$$\kappa \propto \alpha^3$$

$$\alpha_{\text{LHC}} = (\kappa_{\text{LHC}}/\kappa_{\text{RHIC}})^{1/3} \alpha_{\text{RHIC}} \quad \alpha_{\text{RHIC}} \sim 0.3$$

	$\kappa_{\text{LHC}}/\kappa_{\text{RHIC}}$	α_{LHC}
$v_T = 0.0$	0.82	0.28
$v_T = 0.6$	0.66	0.26
$v_T = 0.9$	0.608	0.25
VISH2+1	0.43	0.23
Romatschke	-	-

Energy-Loss Mechanisms

Generic model of jet-energy loss:

$$\frac{dP}{d\tau}(\vec{x}_0, \phi, \tau) = -\kappa P^a(\tau) \tau^z T^{c=2-a+z}[\vec{x}_\perp(\tau), \tau, b]$$

generalized from
Jia's survival model
J. Jia et al., PRC 82 (2010), 024902

considering **Bjorken expansion** for $\tau_0 = 1\text{fm}$, including fragmentation,
and examining an **"averaged scenario"** for Glauber and CGC-like in. cond.

B.Betz et al., PRC 84, 024913 (2011)

CGC-like, deformed Glauber
in. cond. (dcgc1.2):

B.Betz et al., PRC 86, 024903 (2012)

$$x \rightarrow s_x x, \quad y \rightarrow s_y y$$

$$s_x = \sqrt{\frac{\langle x^2 \rangle_{\text{CGC}}}{\langle x^2 \rangle_{\text{G1}}}}, \quad s_y = \sqrt{\frac{\langle y^2 \rangle_{\text{CGC}}}{\langle y^2 \rangle_{\text{G1}}}}$$

with the assumption

$$\epsilon_{\text{CGC}} = f \cdot \epsilon_{\text{G1}} \quad f = 1.2 \pm 0.1$$

Jet-energy and path-length
dependencies (4 main scenarios):

a	z	c	in. cond.
0	1	3	Glauber
1/3	1	8/3	Glauber dcgc1.2
1	2	3	"Jia" dcgc1.2

↓
pure binary collisions for a=1
J. Jia et al., PRC 82 (2010), 024902

Energy-Loss Mechanisms

R_{AA} is a ratio of jet penetrating a QGP to the initial jet spectrum

$$R_{AA}^{q,g}(P_f, \vec{x}_0, \phi) = \frac{dN_{QGP}^{jet}(P_f)}{dyd\phi dP_f^2} \bigg/ \frac{dN_{vac}^{jet}(P_f)}{dyd\phi dP_0^2} = \frac{dP_0^2}{dP_f^2} \frac{dN_{vac}^{jet}[P_0(P_f)]}{dyd\phi dP_0^2} \bigg/ \frac{dN_{vac}^{jet}(P_f)}{dyd\phi dP_0^2}$$

One needs to determine the $P_0(P_f)$ from the $dP/d\tau$ ansatz

$$P_0(P_f) = \left[P_f^{1-a} + K \int_{\tau_0}^{\tau_f} \tau^z T^c[\vec{x}_\perp(\tau), \tau] d\tau \right]^{\frac{1}{1-a}}, \quad K = (1-a)\kappa C_2$$

Fragmentation:

$$R_{AA}^\pi(p_\pi, \phi, N_{part}) = \frac{\left\langle \sum_{\alpha=q,g} \int_{z_{min}}^1 \frac{dz}{z} d\sigma_\alpha\left(\frac{p_\pi}{z}\right) R_{AA}^\alpha\left(\frac{p_\pi}{z}, \phi\right) D_{\alpha \rightarrow \pi}\left(z, \frac{p_\pi}{z}\right) \right\rangle_{\vec{x}_0, N_{part}}}{\sum_{\alpha=q,g} \int_{z_{min}}^1 \frac{dz}{z} d\sigma_\alpha\left(\frac{p_\pi}{z}\right) D_{\alpha \rightarrow \pi}\left(z, \frac{p_\pi}{z}\right)}$$

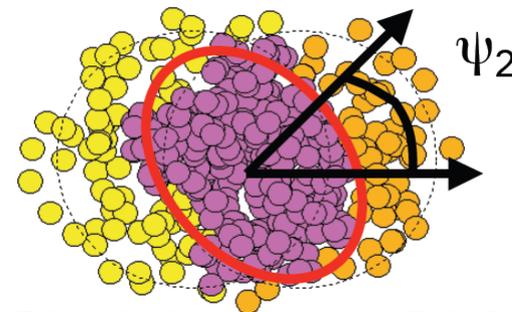
momentum of the observed pion
pQCD cross-sections
fragmentation functions

Elliptic Flow: $v_2^\pi(N_{part}) = \frac{\int d\phi \cos\{2\phi\} R_{AA}^\pi(N_{part}, \phi)}{\int d\phi R_{AA}^\pi(N_{part}, \phi)}$

Energy-Loss Mechanisms

Having fixed κ , the harmonics can be calculated

$$v_n(N_{part}) = \frac{\int d\phi \cos \{n [\phi - \psi_n]\} R_{AA}(\phi)}{\int d\phi R_{AA}(\phi)}$$



B. Alver, Talk at the Glasma Workshop, BNL, May 2010

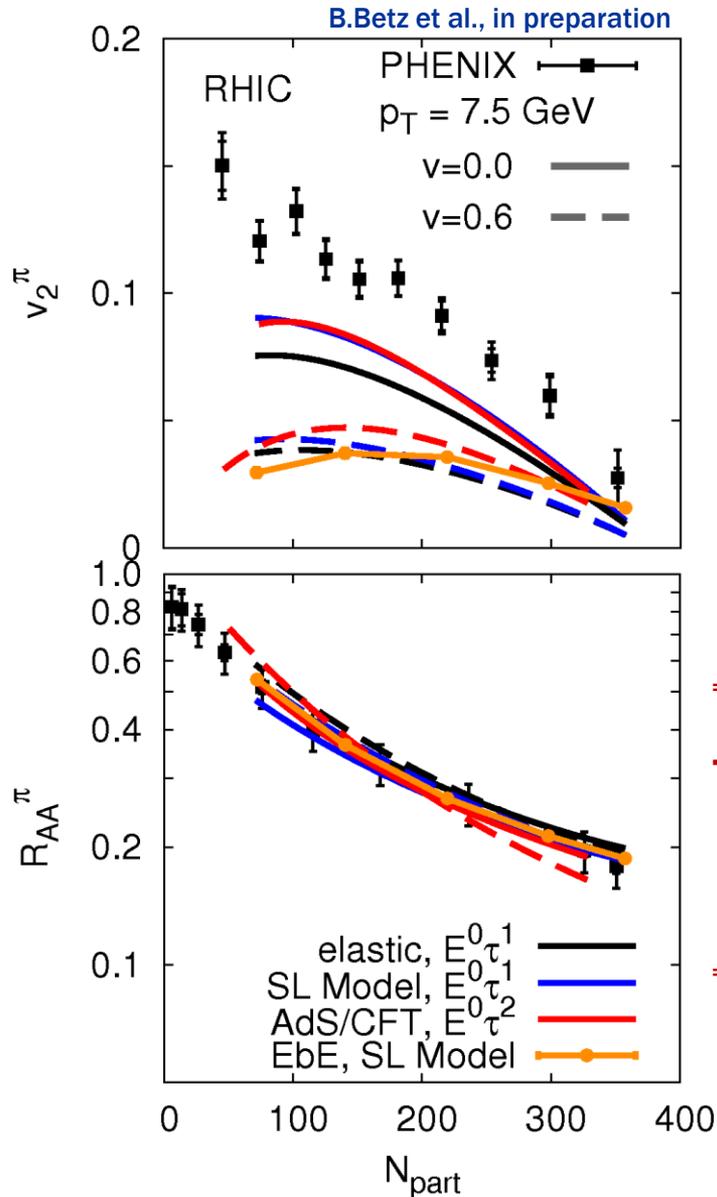
determining the angle with the reaction plane

$$\psi_n(t) = \frac{1}{n} \tan^{-1} \frac{\langle r \sin(n\phi) \rangle}{\langle r \cos(n\phi) \rangle}$$

and the Fourier density components are given by

$$e_n(t) = \frac{\sqrt{\langle r^2 \cos(n\phi) \rangle^2 + \langle r^2 \sin(n\phi) \rangle^2}}{\langle r^2 \rangle}$$

R_{AA} and v_2 at RHIC for a 3d expansion



Mimicking a transverse expansion by a blast wave model:

$$\rho^{\text{eff}} = \rho \left[\left(\frac{x_{\text{jet}}(t)}{rx(t)}, \frac{y_{\text{jet}}(t)}{ry(t)} \right) \right] / [rx(t)ry(t)]$$

$$rx(t) = \sqrt{1 + (v_x^T t)^2 / (\text{rms}_x)^2}$$

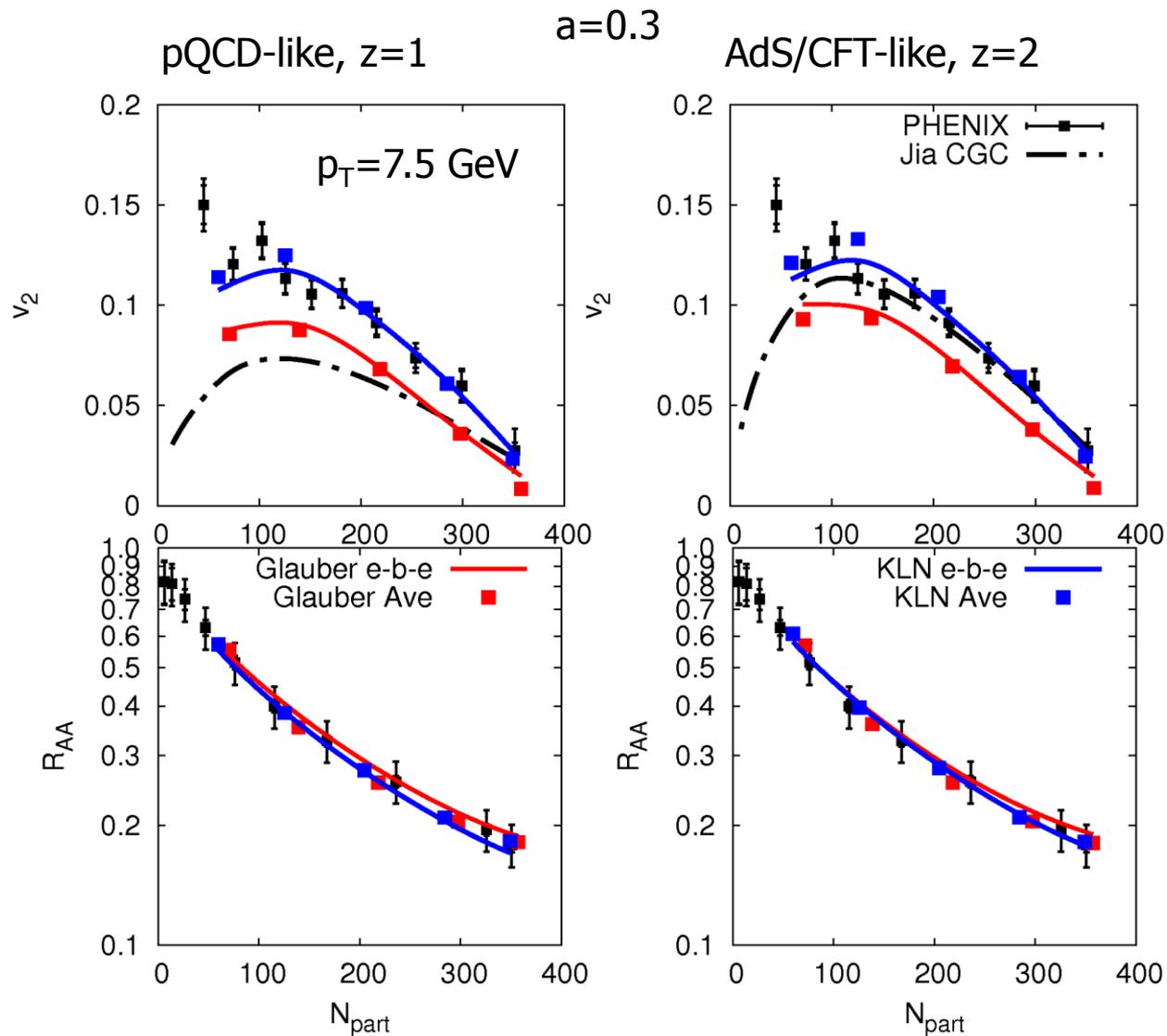
$$ry(t) = \sqrt{1 + (v_y^T t)^2 / (\text{rms}_y)^2}$$

- ⇒ Reduction of the pion v_2 by a factor of 2
- ⇒ Independent of $\kappa(T)$, pQCD or AdS/CFT-like energy-loss

⇒ **Pre-Conclusion:** It is impossible to describe R_{AA} and v_2 simultaneously!

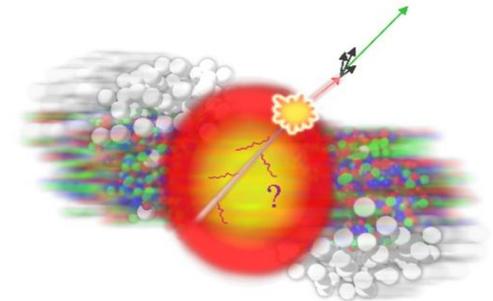
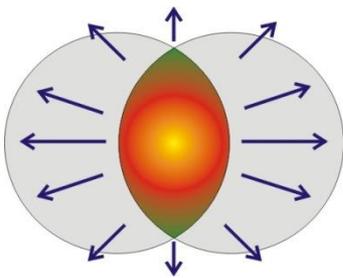
R_{AA} and v_2 at RHIC

Similar results for event-by-event and averaged scenarios

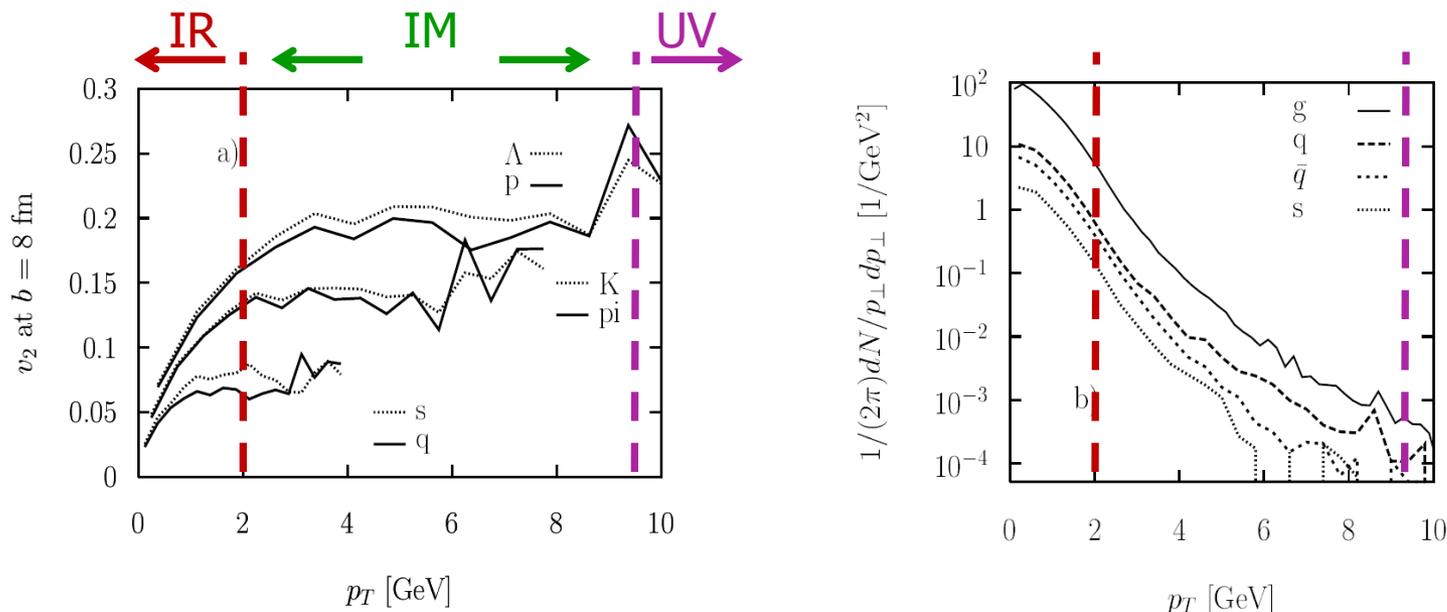


B. Betz et al., PRC 84, 024913 (2011)

The intermediate p_T -range



Intermediate $v_2(p_T)$ range ($2 < p_T < 10$ GeV)

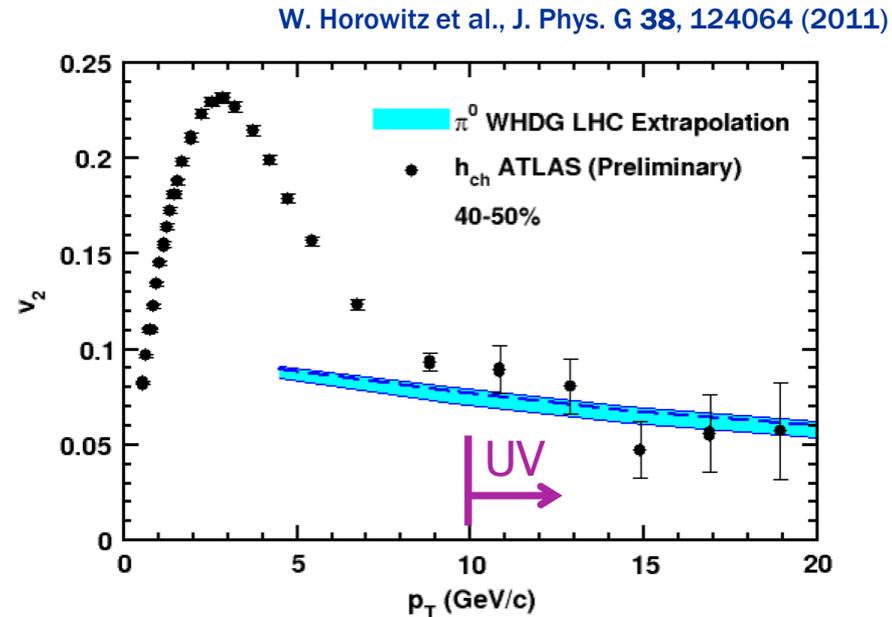
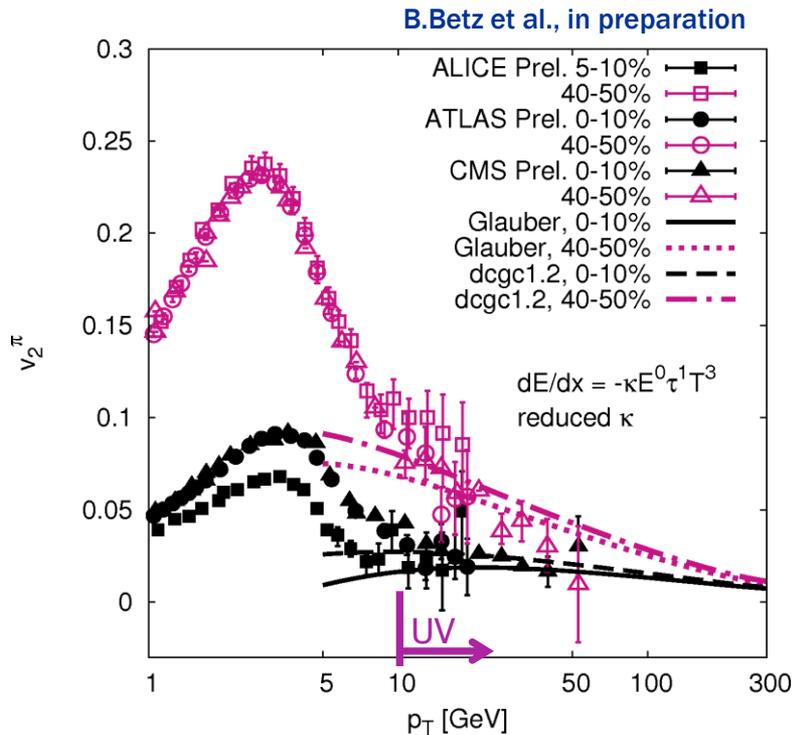


While hadronization via $1\text{parton} \rightarrow 1\pi$ or independent fragmentation approximately preserves elliptic flow at high $2 < p_\perp < 6$ GeV [3], parton coalescence enhances v_2 two times for mesons and three times for baryons. Hence, the same hadron elliptic flow can be reached from 2 – 3 times smaller parton v_2 , i.e., with smaller parton densities and/or cross sections.

D. Molnar, J. Phys. G **30**, S235 (2004)

- ⇒ parts of the v_2 (intermediate p_T) could originate from bulk tails
see Eqs. (16) – (18) in M. Gyulassy et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. **86**, 2537 (2001)
- ⇒ pure jet fragmentation and absorption models should NOT be expected to fully describe the intermediate p_T -range

$v_2(p_T, \text{Centrality})$ at LHC



- Unlike the intermediate p_T , the deep ultraviolet $p_T > 10$ GeV is much better explained by standard jet tomography at LHC
- For $1 < p_T < 5$ GeV, it is difficult to separate the jet contribution to v_2 from the high- p_T tails of the bulk QGP elliptic flow
- ⇒ Very high $p_T > 10$ GeV v_2 is rather insensitive to 20% variations in the eccentricity between Glauber and CGC

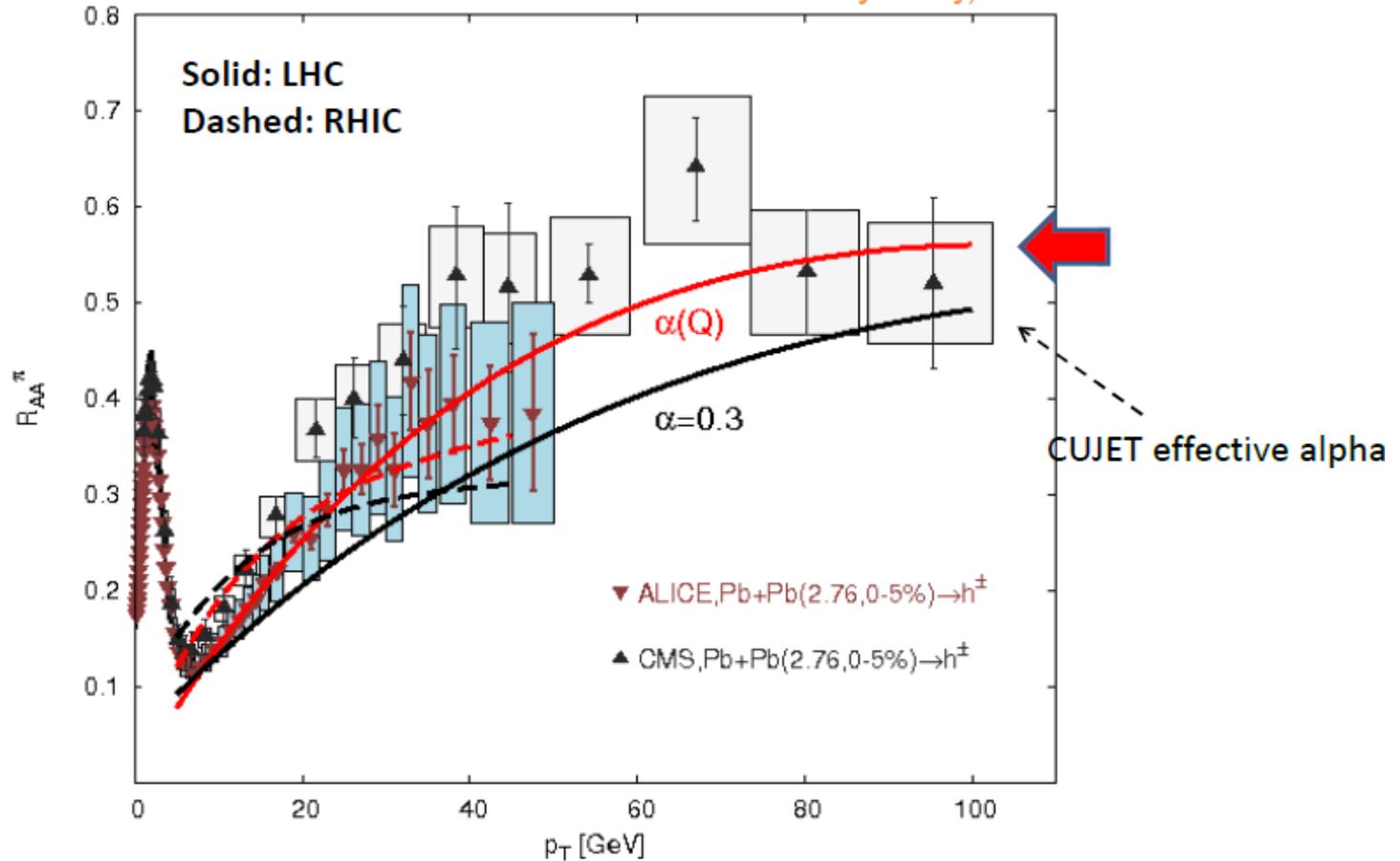
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LHC Pions



See also B. Betz and M. Gyulassy, arXiv:1201.02181



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