

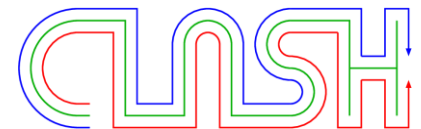


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Opinion of a “perfect liquid” lover

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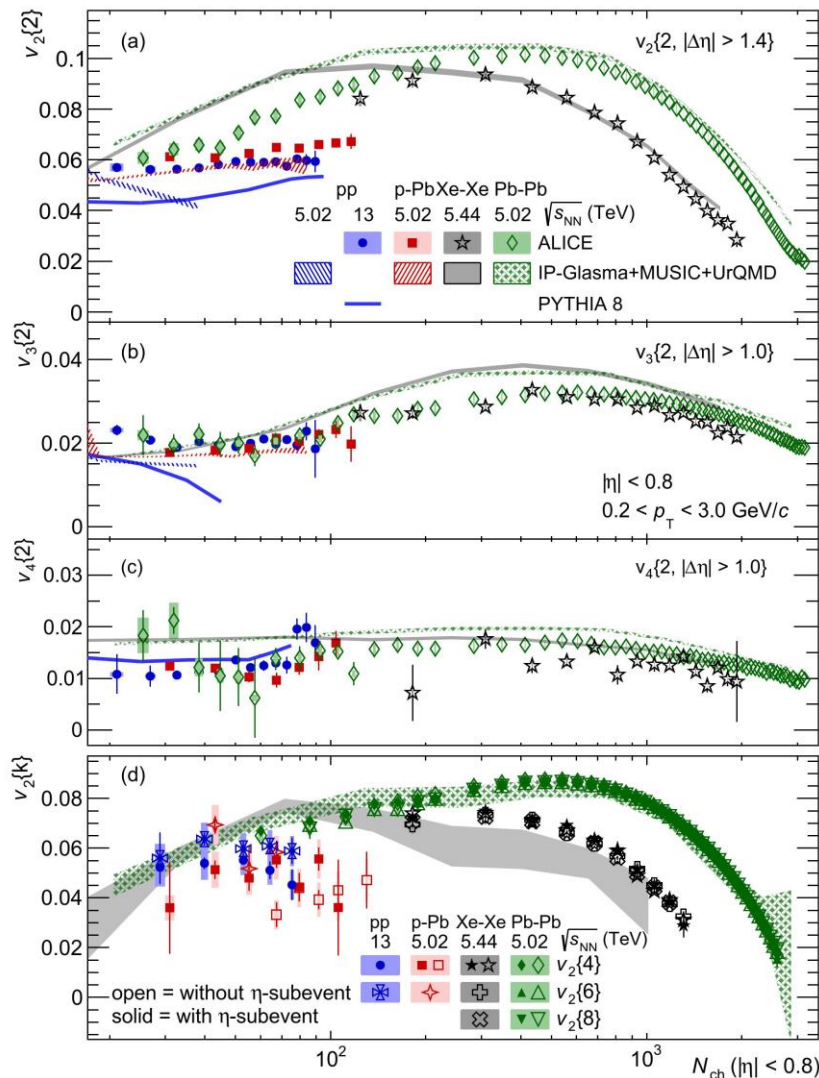


My answers

- Does IS flow-like correlations (e.g., CGC “flow”) play a significant role for v_2 , v_3 in small systems?
 - No (see for example morning talks):
p-Au vs d-Au, but also ee \rightarrow WW
 - Interesting if Bjoern and Raju agrees
- In my view, all evidence points to IS geometry + FS interactions
 - Consistent with strangeness enhancement where we know that FS interactions are needed

Is it the same mechanism in small and large systems?

[PRL 123, 142301 \(2019\)](#)



- My logic: large system is reference
 - v_3 driven by fluctuations
→ same small systems ✓
 - v_2 driven by geometry in large system → larger than small systems ✓
- Caveat: AMPT?
 - Escape mechanism
 - Will assume hydro in the following





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- Almost reversible (why I fell in love with it)
- A hard lover?

Perfect QCD – a new Universal approach to soft QCD #1

Peter Christiansen (Lund U. (main)) (Dec 10, 2022)

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What Quark-Gluon Plasma in small systems might tell us about nucleons #2

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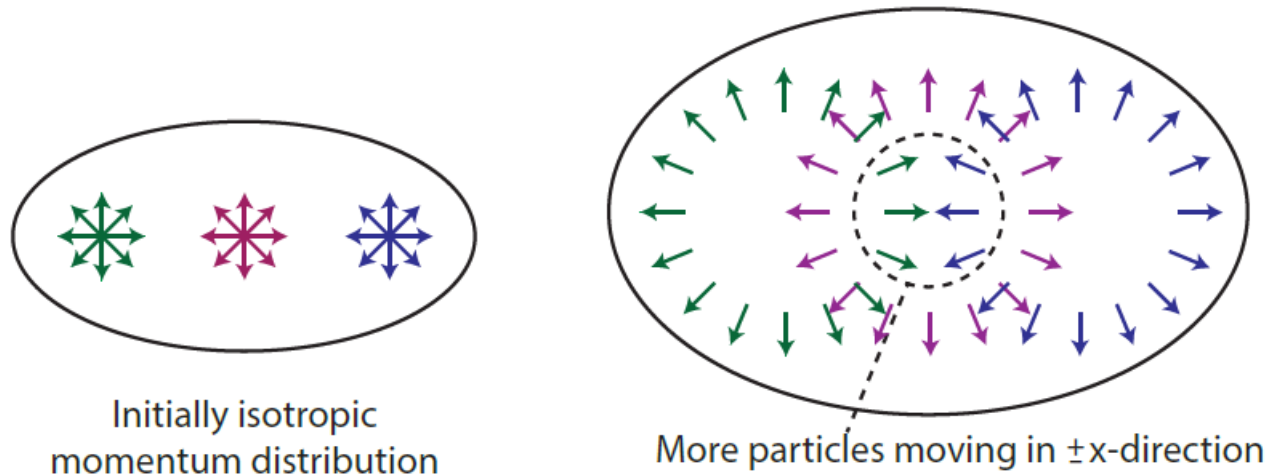
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Weakly coupled kinetic theory: non-perfect flow

<https://arxiv.org/abs/1803.02072>



Abstract: “... As a non-vanishing mean free path is indicative of non-minimal dissipation, this challenges the perfect fluid paradigm of ultra-relativistic nucleus-nucleus and hadron-nucleus collisions.”

- My opinion: very ambitious effort (e.g., IS+geometry \rightarrow hydro), but also high price!



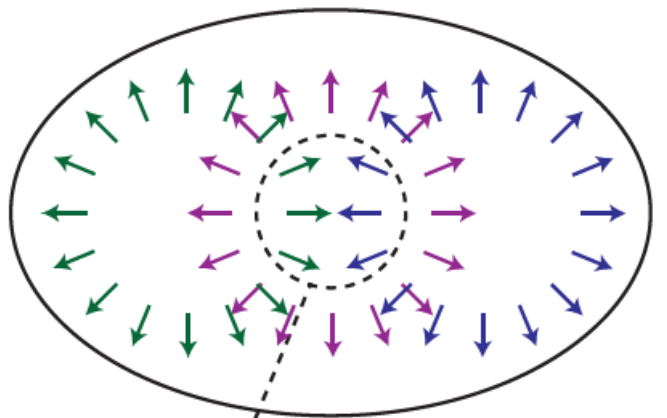
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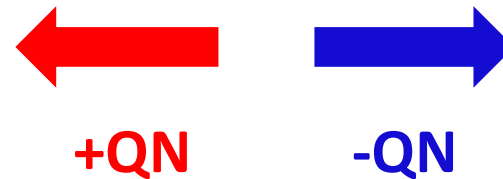
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 - Alternative descriptions such as Angantyr/Ropes/shoving offer unique opportunities to look at our amazing achievements from a different perspective!
 - Next idea is based on our local CLASH!
 - CLASH workshop write up: [EPJ A 56 \(2020\) 11, 288](#)

Proposing another observable: Quantum Number (QN) correlations

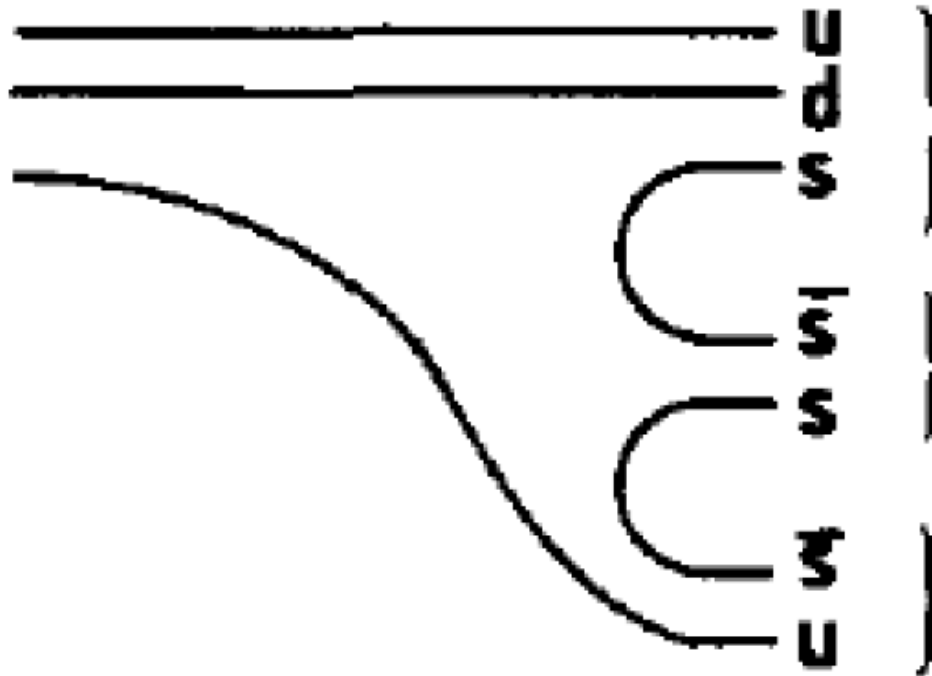


More particles moving in $\pm x$ -direction



- Focus on QN that are pair produced
 - Strangeness, Baryon number (LHC)
- Can we observe a “non-minimal dissipation”?

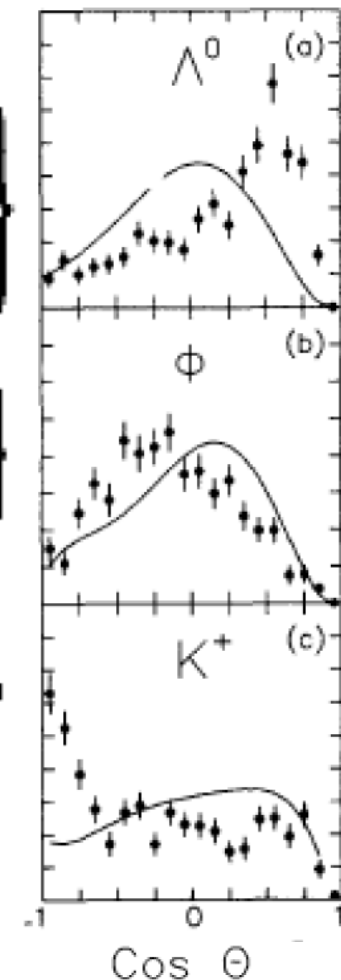
Same idea used to validate string models



**EVIDENCE FOR POMERON SINGLE-QUARK INTERACTIONS
IN PROTON DIFFRACTION AT THE ISR**

R608 Collaboration

Phys.Lett. 163B (1985), 267



Solid lines are calculations
for isotropic phasespace





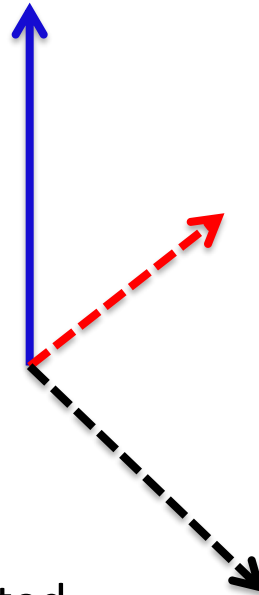
Example:

Ξ -K correlation functions

Trigger on : $\Xi(ssd)$

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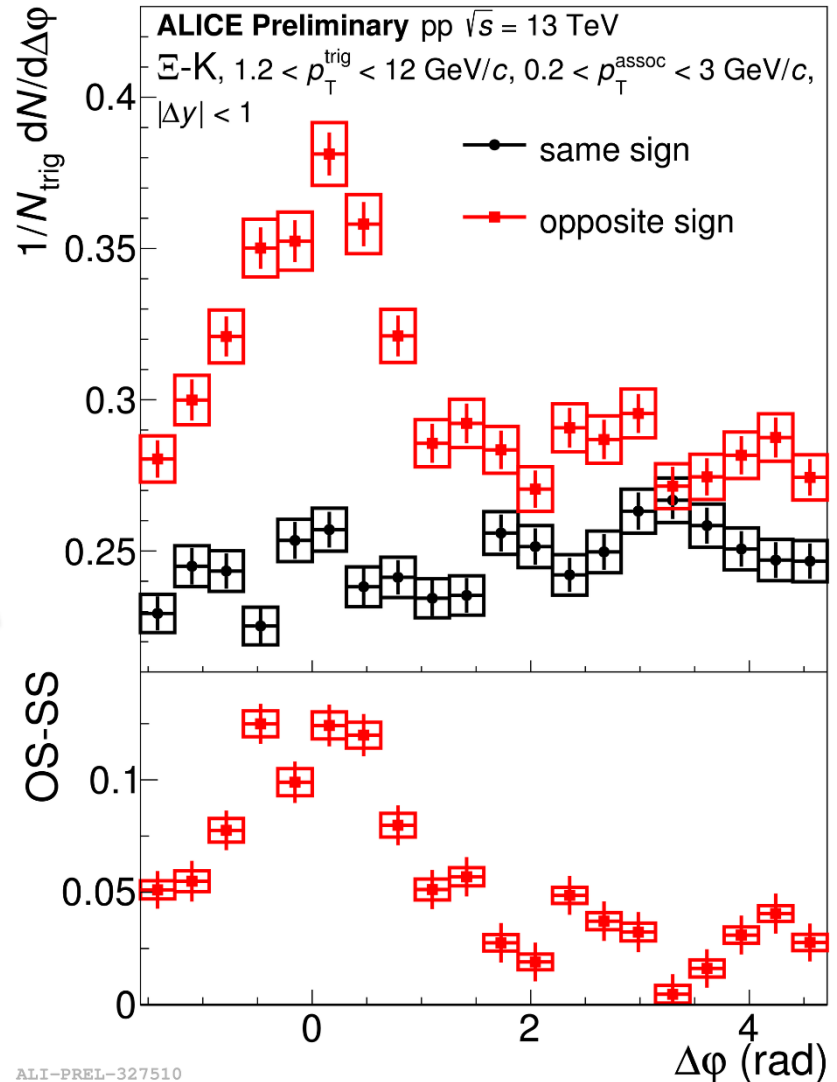
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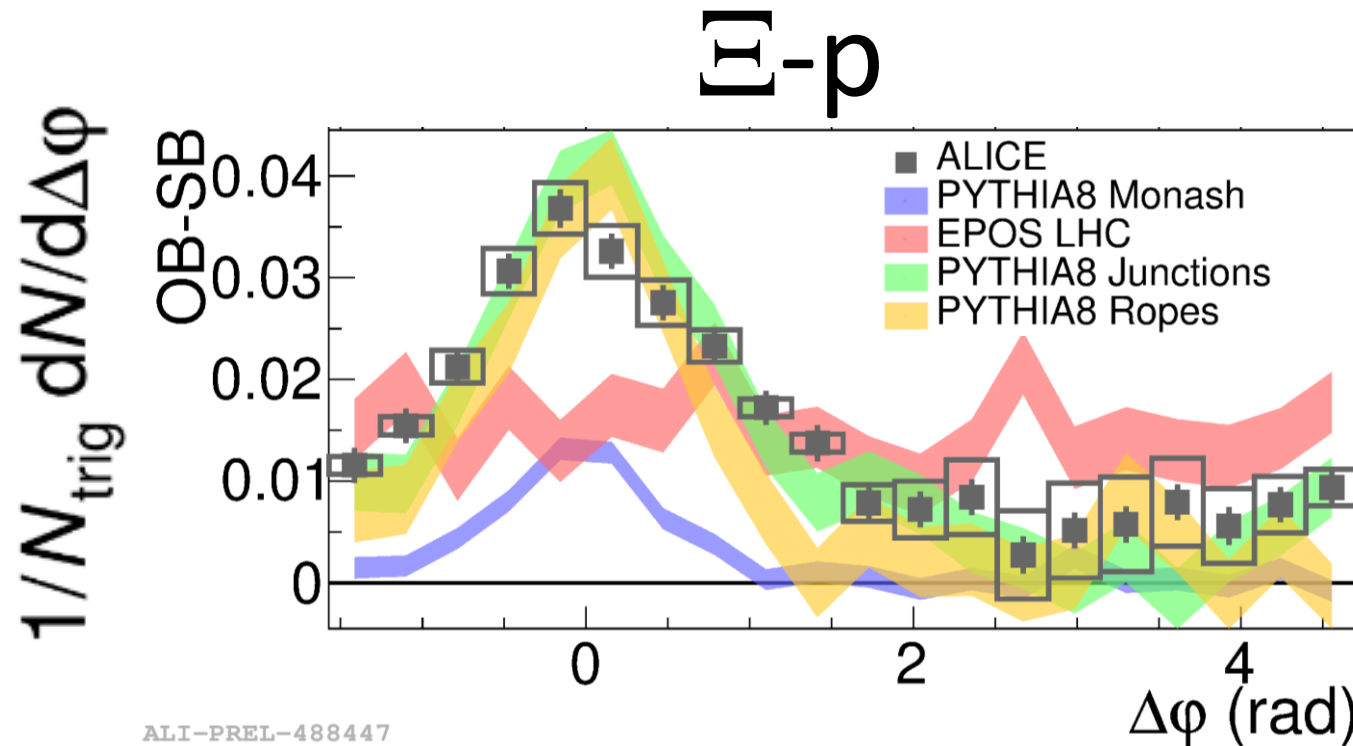
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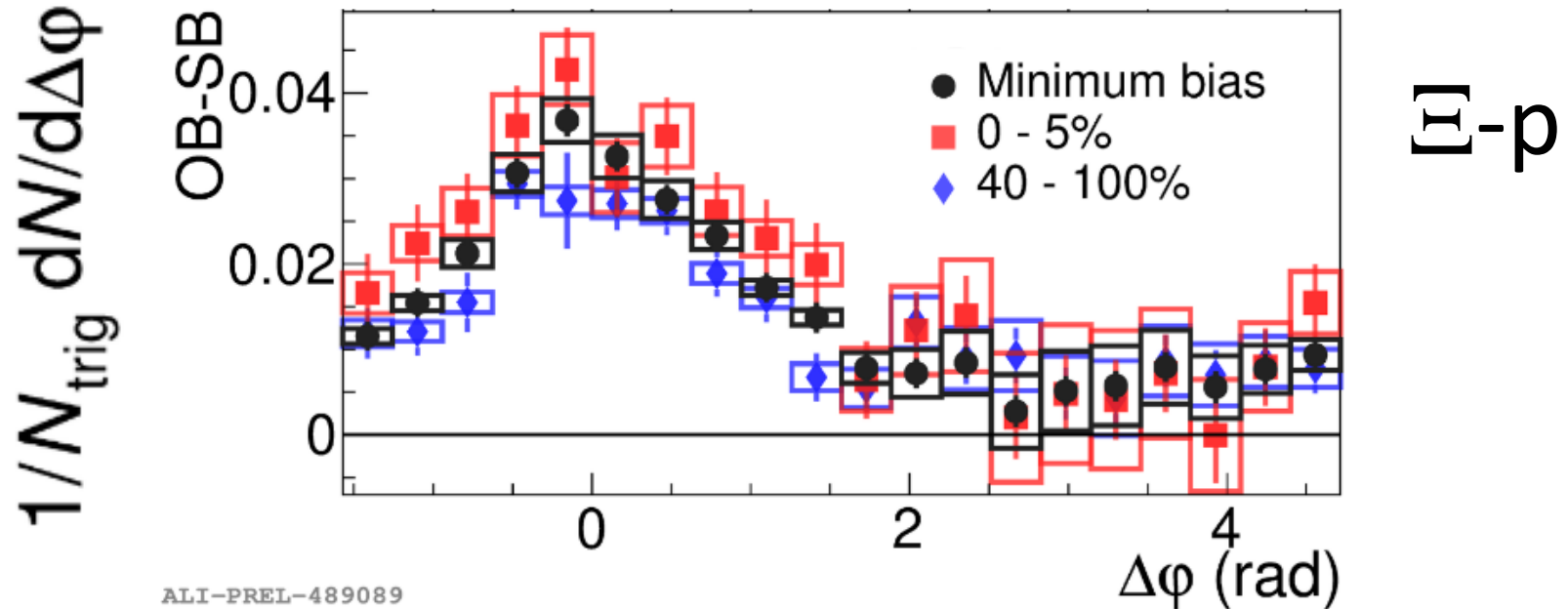
Results in MB pp collisions



- Microscopic production mechanism can be constrained!



Little multiplicity dependence



- No change in production mechanism (?)
- No increasing diffusion/dissipation (thermalization?)
 - The correlations appear to be perfect!
 - What is deconfinement for a perfect liquid?

Thank You!