



# Event-by-event heavy-flavour dynamics: estimating the spatial diffusion coefficient $D_s$ from charm to the infinite mass limit

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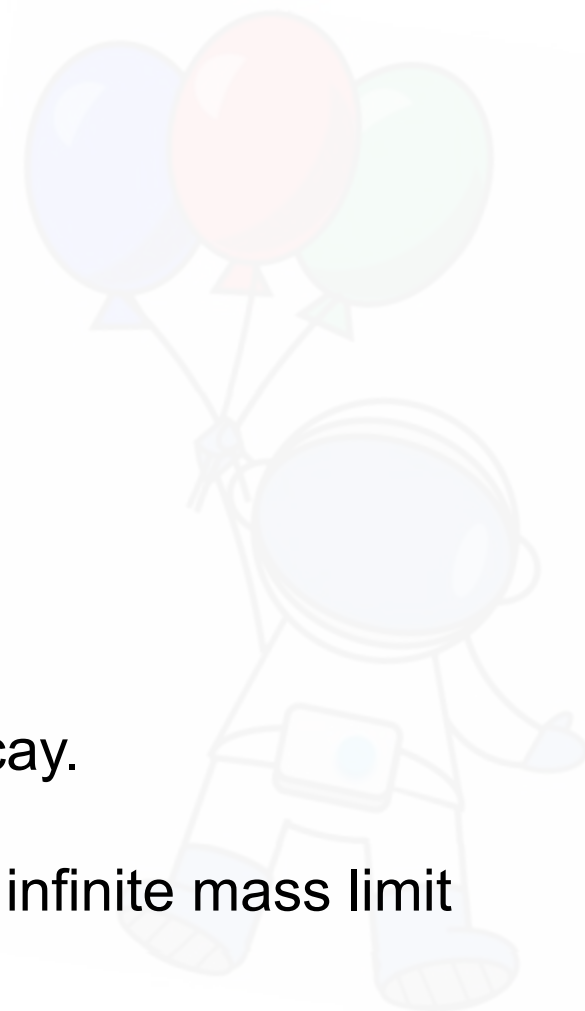
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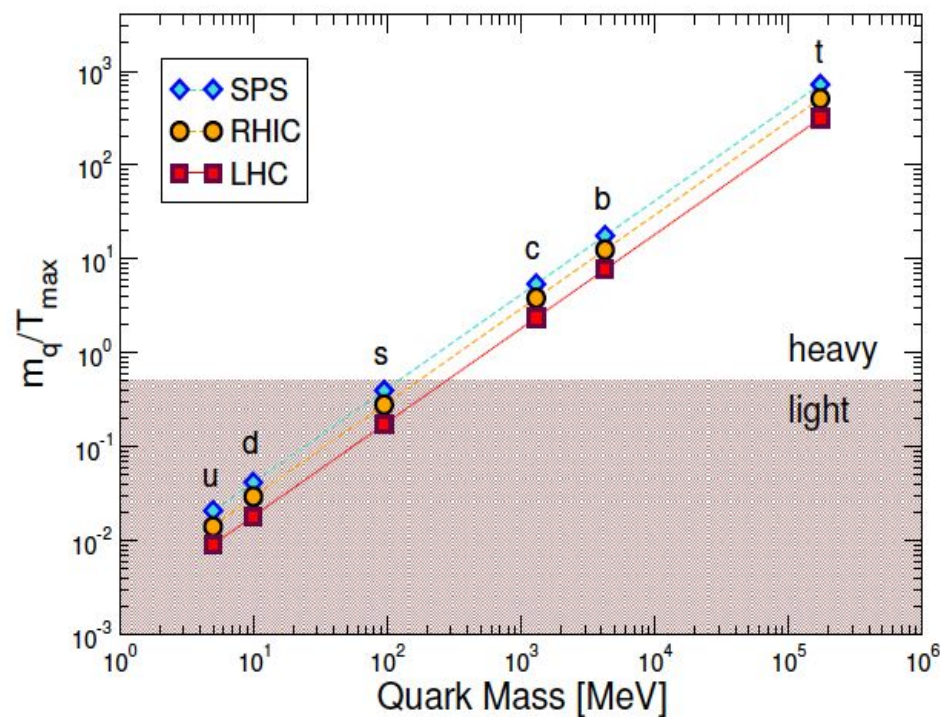
# Outline

- Basic scales of Heavy Quarks
- Catania Quasi-Particle Model for charm quark dynamics:  
 $R_{AA}$  ,  $v_2 \rightarrow$  Spatial diffusion coefficient  $D_s$  (T) of charm.
- Initial state fluctuation  $\rightarrow$  Event-Shape-Engineering  
Anisotropic flows  $v_{n(=2,3,4)}$  and their correlations.
- Predictions for bottom quark  
 $R_{AA}$  ,  $v_2$  and  $v_3$  of electrons from semileptonic B-meson decay.
- Spatial diffusion coefficient  $D_s$  (T): charm vs bottom and the infinite mass limit
- Conclusions and new perspectives



# Basic scales of charm and bottom quarks

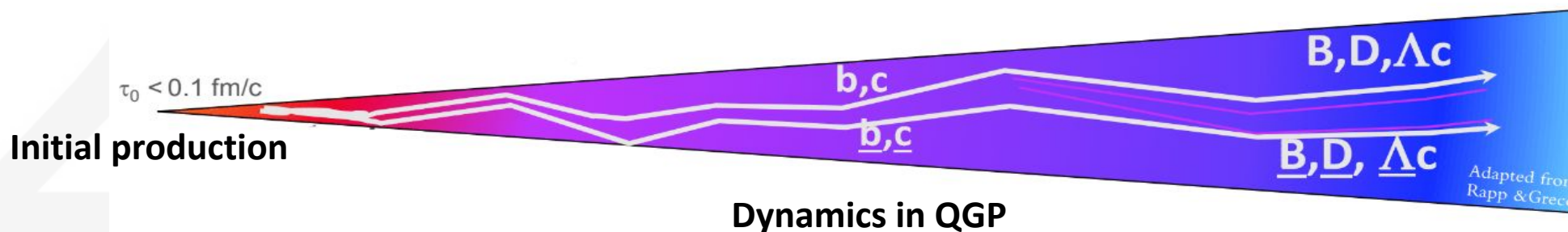
Charm  $M_c \approx 1.3$  GeV and Bottom  $M_b \approx 4.2$  GeV



- $m_{c,b} \gg \Lambda_{QCD}$   
pQCD initial production
- $m_{c,b} \gg T_{RHIC,LHC}$   
negligible thermal production
- $\tau_0 < 0,08 \text{ fm/c} \ll \tau_{QGP}$
- $\tau_{th} \approx \tau_{QGP} \gg \tau_{g,q}$

They experience the full evolution of the QGP.

They carry more informations with respect to their light counterparts.



**Hadronization:**  
**Final hadron**  
**Spectra and**  
**observables**

Reviews:

1. X.Dong, V. Greco Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 104 (2019),
2. A.Andronic EPJ C76 (2016), 3) R.Rapp, F.Prino J.Phys. G43 (2016)

**CATANIA QPM:**

**$R_{AA}, V_n$  and  $V_n - V_m$  correlations**

**in charm sector**

# Quasi Particle Model (QPM) fitting IQCD

**Non perturbative dynamics** → M scattering matrices ( $q, g \rightarrow Q$ ) evaluated by Quasi-Particle Model fit to **IQCD thermodynamics**

$N_f=2+1$   
Bulk:  
u,d,s

$$m_g^2(T) = \frac{2N_c}{N_c^2 - 1} g^2(T) T^2$$

$$m_q^2(T) = \frac{1}{N_c} g^2(T) T^2$$

Thermal masses of gluons  
and light quarks

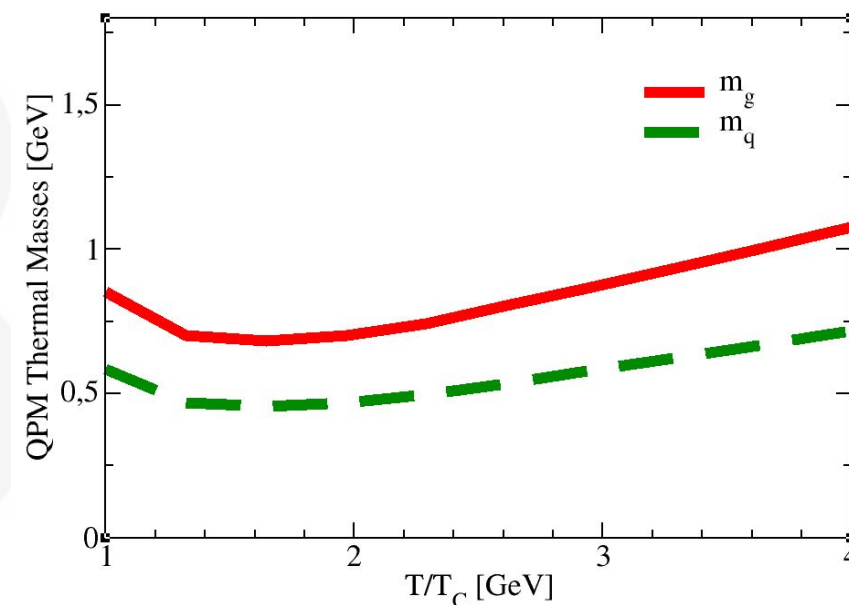
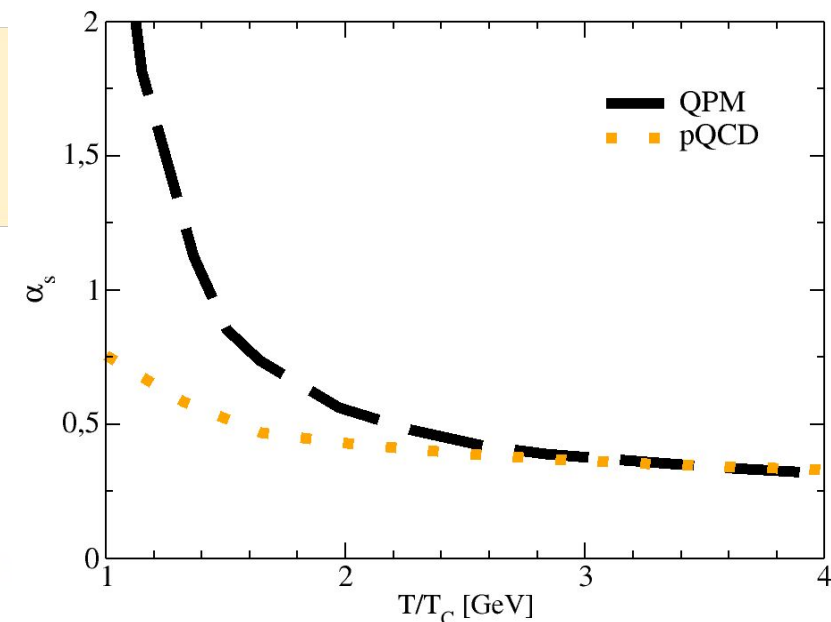
$g(T)$  from a fit to  $\epsilon$  from IQCD data → good reproduction of  $P$ ,  $\epsilon-3P$

$$g^2(T) = \frac{48\pi^2}{(11N_c - 2N_f) \ln \left[ \lambda \left( \frac{T}{T_c} - \frac{T_s}{T_c} \right) \right]^2}$$

$$\lambda=2.6$$

$$T_s=0.57 T_c$$

Larger than pQCD especially as  $T \rightarrow T_c$





# Relativistic Boltzmann equation at finite $\eta/s$

## Bulk evolution

$$p^\mu \partial_\mu f_q(x, p) + m(x) \partial_\mu^x m(x) \partial_p^\mu f_q(x, p) = C[f_q, f_g]$$

$$p^\mu \partial_\mu f_g(x, p) + m(x) \partial_\mu^x m(x) \partial_p^\mu f_g(x, p) = C[f_q, f_g]$$

Free-streaming

field interaction  
 $\varepsilon - 3p \neq 0$

Collision term  
gauged to some  $\eta/s \neq 0$

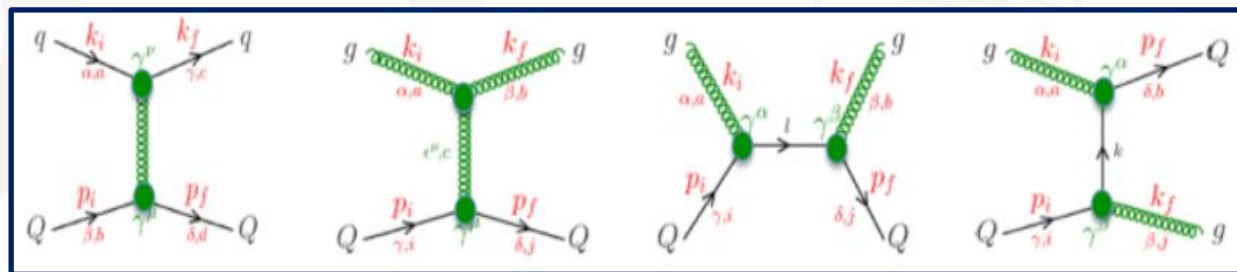
Equivalent to  
viscous hydro at  $\eta/s \approx 0.1$

## HQ evolution

$$p^\mu \partial_\mu f_Q(x, p) = C[f_q, f_g, f_Q]$$

$$C[f_q, f_g, f_Q] = \frac{1}{2E_1} \int \frac{d^3 p_2}{2E_2 (2\pi)^3} \int \frac{d^3 p_1'}{2E_1' (2\pi)^3} \\ \times [f_Q(p_1') f_{q,g}(p_2') - f_Q(p_1) f_{q,g}(p_2)] \\ \times |M_{(q,g) \rightarrow Q}(p_1 p_2 \rightarrow p_1' p_2')| \\ \times (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p_1 + p_2 - p_1' - p_2')$$

Feynman diagrams at first order pQCD for HQs-bulk interaction:



Scattering matrices  $M_{g,q}$  by QPM fit to IQCD thermodynamics

# Hybrid Hadronization Model for HQs

✓ **COALESCENCE**: Formula developed for the light sector [Greco, Ko, Levai PRL 90 (2003)]

$$\frac{dN_H}{d^2\mathbf{P}_T} = g_H \int \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{d^3 p_i}{(2\pi)^3 E_i} p_i \cdot d\sigma_i f_{q_i}(x_i, p_i) f_W(x_1 \dots x_n; p_1 \dots p_n) \delta\left(\mathbf{P}_T - \sum_i \mathbf{p}_{T,i}\right)$$

Statistical Factor  
Color-spin-isospin

Parton Distribution Functions  
(after Boltzmann evolution)

Hadron Wigner Function

(parameters fix according to quark model)

C.-W. Hwang, EPJ C23, 585 (2002)

C. Albertus et al., NPA 740, 333 (2004)

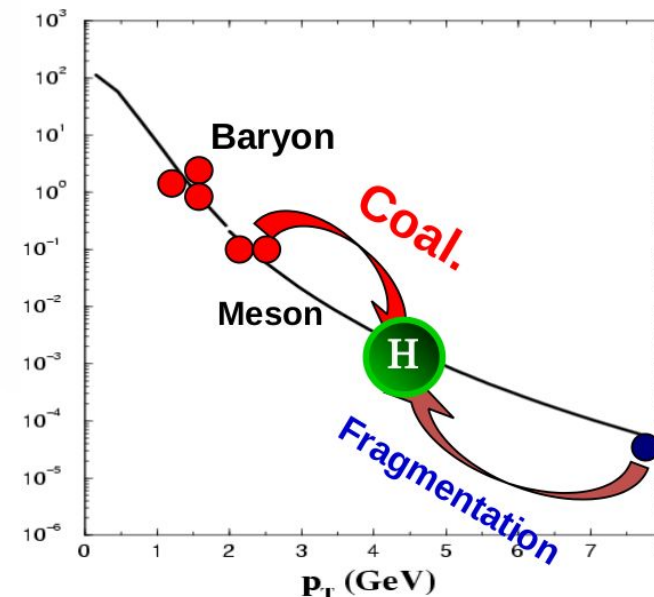
✓ **FRAGMENTATION**: HQs that do not undergo to Coalescence

$$\frac{dN_H}{d^2\mathbf{P}_T} = \sum_f \int dz \frac{dN_f}{d^2 p_T} \frac{D_{f \rightarrow H}(z)}{z^2}$$

We use Peterson parametrization:  $D_H(z) \propto \left[ z \left( 1 - \frac{1}{z} - \frac{\epsilon_c}{1-z} \right)^2 \right]^{-1}$

Peterson et al. PRD 27 (1983) 105

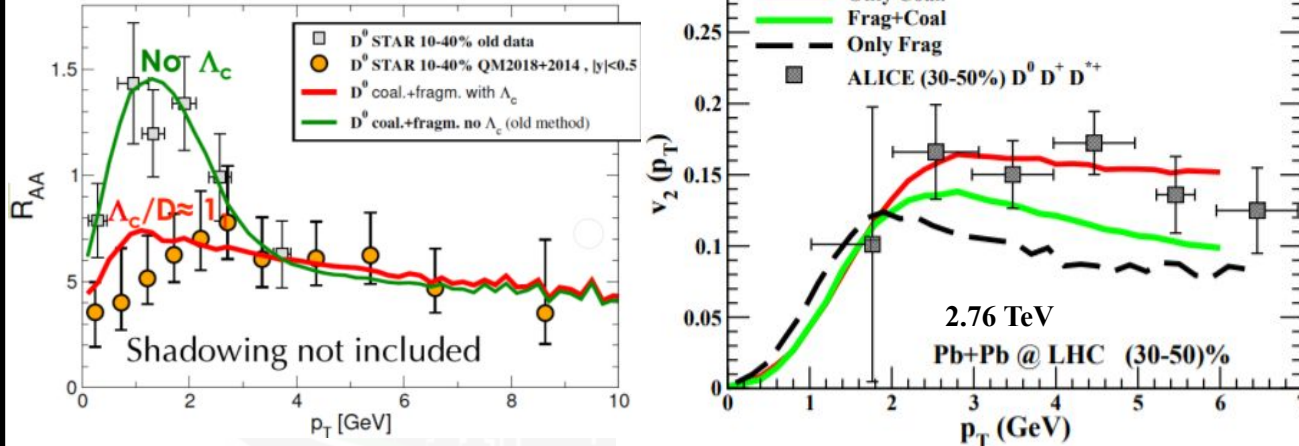
Parameter  $\epsilon_c$  tuned to reproduce  $D$  and  $B$  meson spectra in pp collisions at high  $p_T$ .



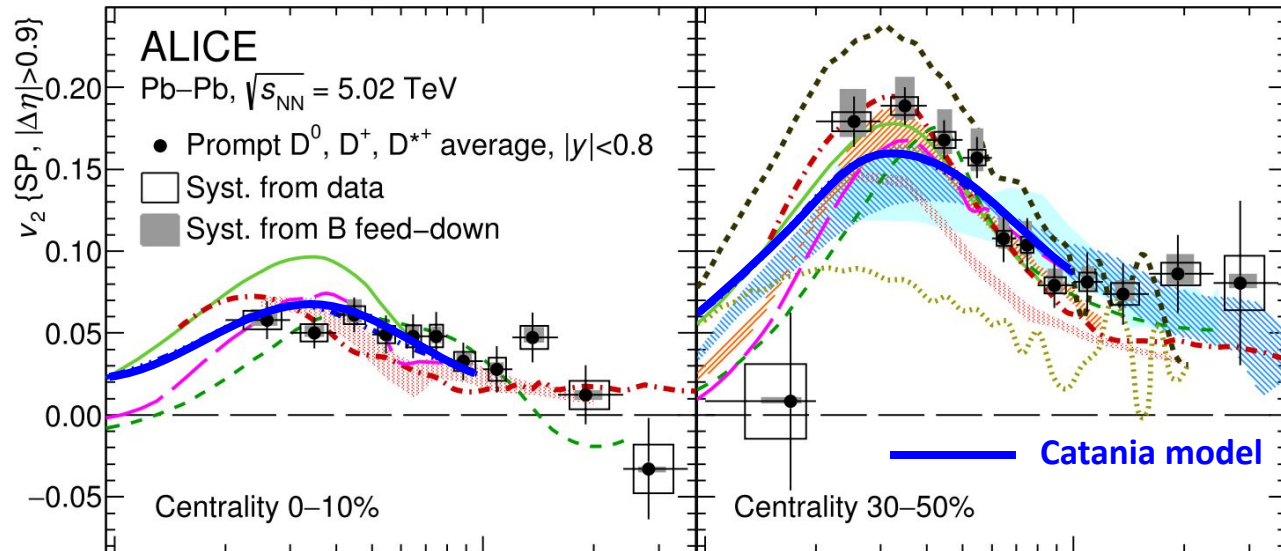
# Catania Model (QPM+hadronization): some results for charm...

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Scardina et al., PRC 97(2017)



Good description of  $R_{AA}$ ,  $v_2$  at RHIC & LHC energies

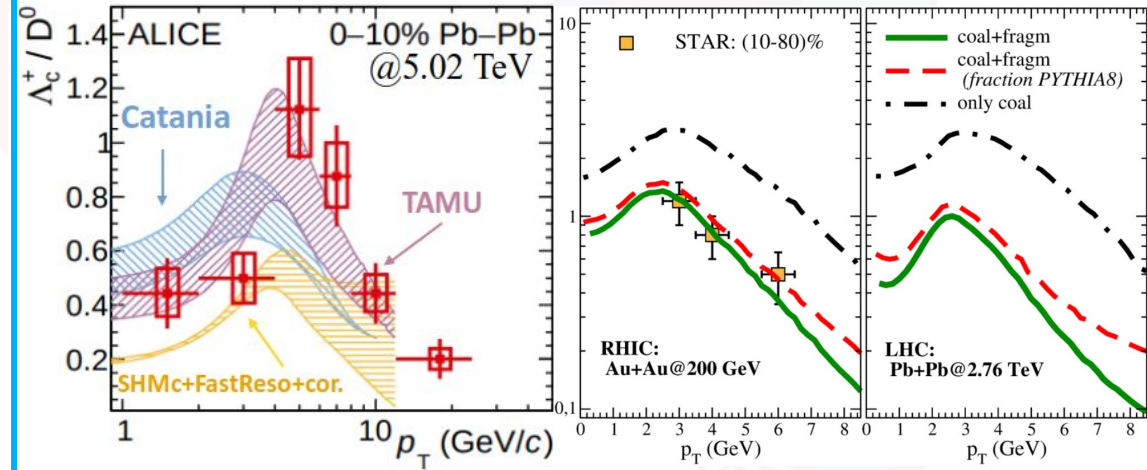


ALICE collaboration, *Phys.Lett.B* 813 (2021) 136054

Effect of the hadronization via coalescence+fragmentation

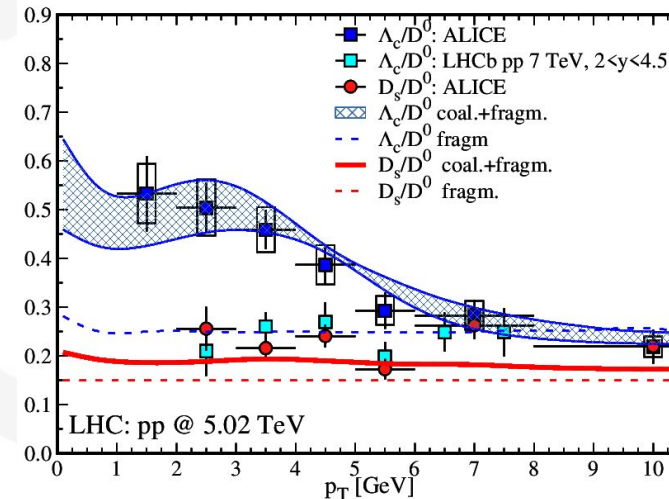
in AA:

S. Plumari, V. M. et al., *Eur. Phys. J. C* 78 no. 4, (2018) 348



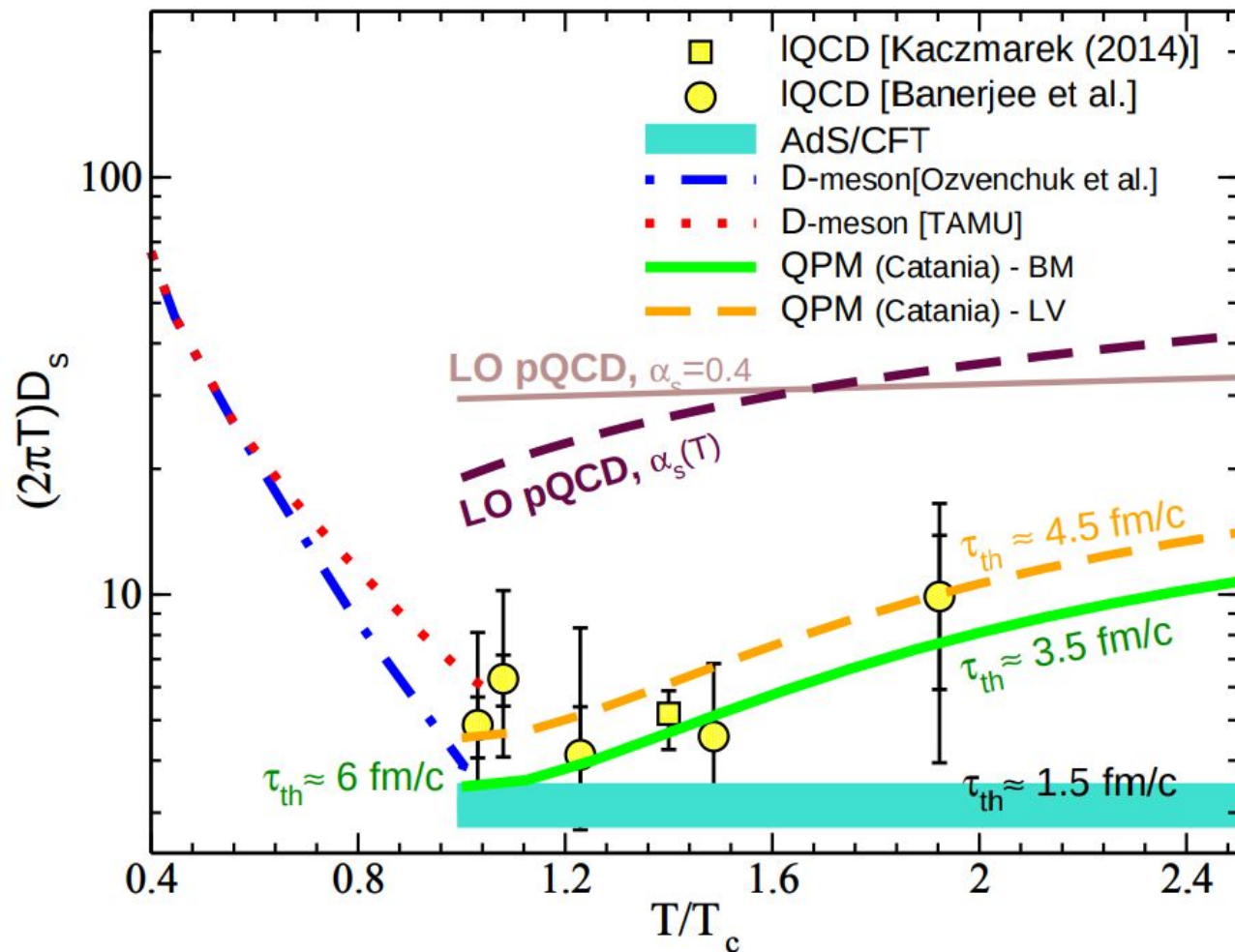
in pp (Charm parton distr. from FONLL w/o evolution):

V. M. et al. *Physics Letters B* 821 (2021) 136622





# Spatial diffusion coefficient of charm quark



## Reviews:

- F. Prino and R. Rapp, JPG(2019)
- X. Dong and V. Greco, Prog.Part.Nucl.Phys. (2019)
- Jiaying Zhao et al., arXiv:2005.08277

Not a model fit to IQCD data, but  $D_s$  estimate that comes from results of  $R_{AA}(p_T)$  and  $v_2(p_T)$

We have a probe with  $\tau_{therm} \approx \tau_{QGP}$

$$\tau_{th} = \frac{M}{2\pi T^2} (2\pi T D_s) \cong 1.8 \frac{2\pi T D_s}{(T/T_c)^2} \text{ fm/c}$$

## FUTURE:

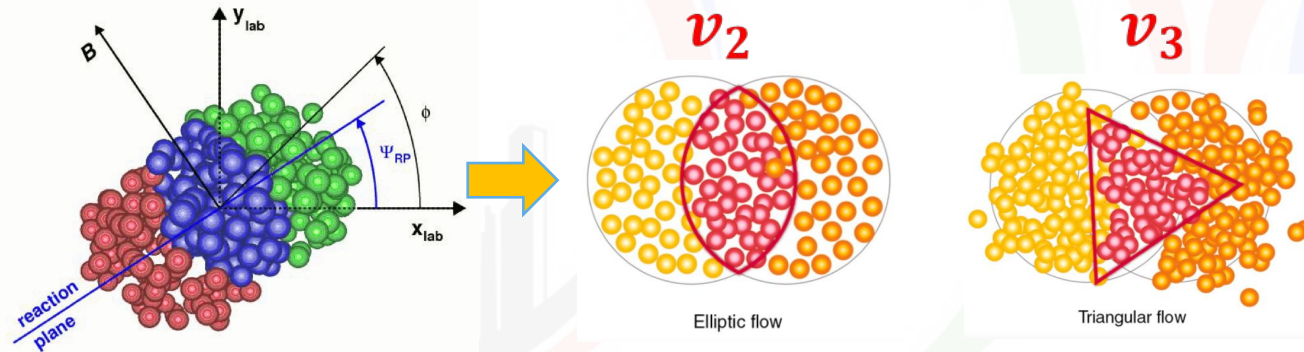
- Access low p and precision data (detector upgrade)
- Better insight into hadronization
- **New observables**
- **Bottom**

**Main focus of this talk**

# Extension to higher order anisotropic flows $v_n(p_T)$

$$E \frac{d^3N}{dp_T} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{d^2N}{p_T dp_T dy} \left\{ 1 + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} v_n \cos[n(\varphi - \Psi_n)] \right\}$$

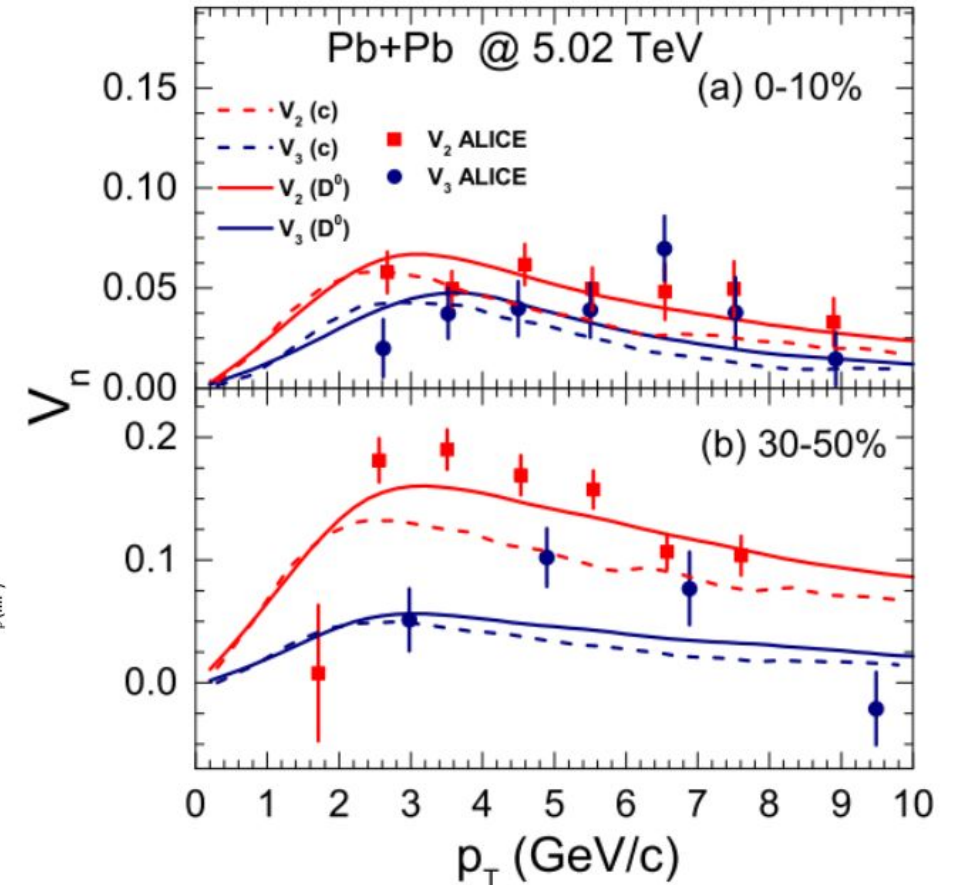
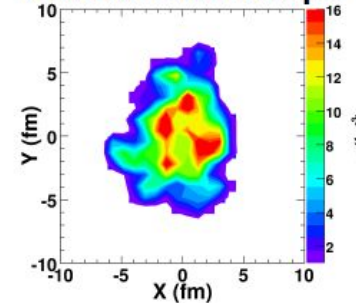
Sambataro et al., *Eur.Phys.J.C* 82 (2022) 9, 833



**Monte Carlo Glauber for initial condition of partons**

S.Plumari et al, *Phys.Rev.C* 92 (2015) 5

**Not almond shape**



Data taken from ALICE collaboration: *Phys.Lett.B* 813 (2021) 136054

In 30-50% centrality class  $\rightarrow$  larger  $v_2$  and comparable  $v_3$

- $v_2$  mainly generated by the geometry of overlapping region. More elliptical shape in peripheral collision.
- $v_3$  mainly driven by the fluctuations that are independent of the centrality

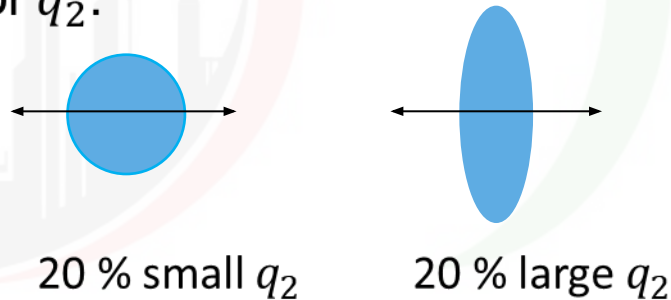
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## ESE technique and $v_n$ correlations

Selection of events with the **same centrality** but **different initial geometry** on the basis of the magnitude of the second-order harmonic reduced flow vector  $q_2$ .

$$q_2 = |\vec{Q}_2|/\sqrt{M}$$

$$\vec{Q}_2 = \sum_{j=1}^M e^{i2\varphi_j}$$

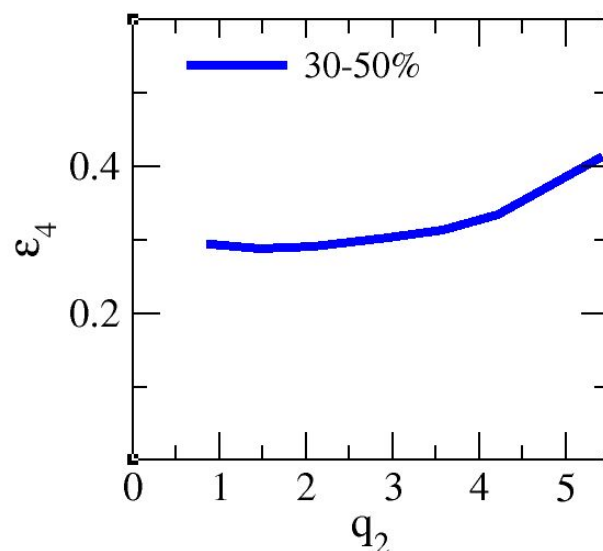
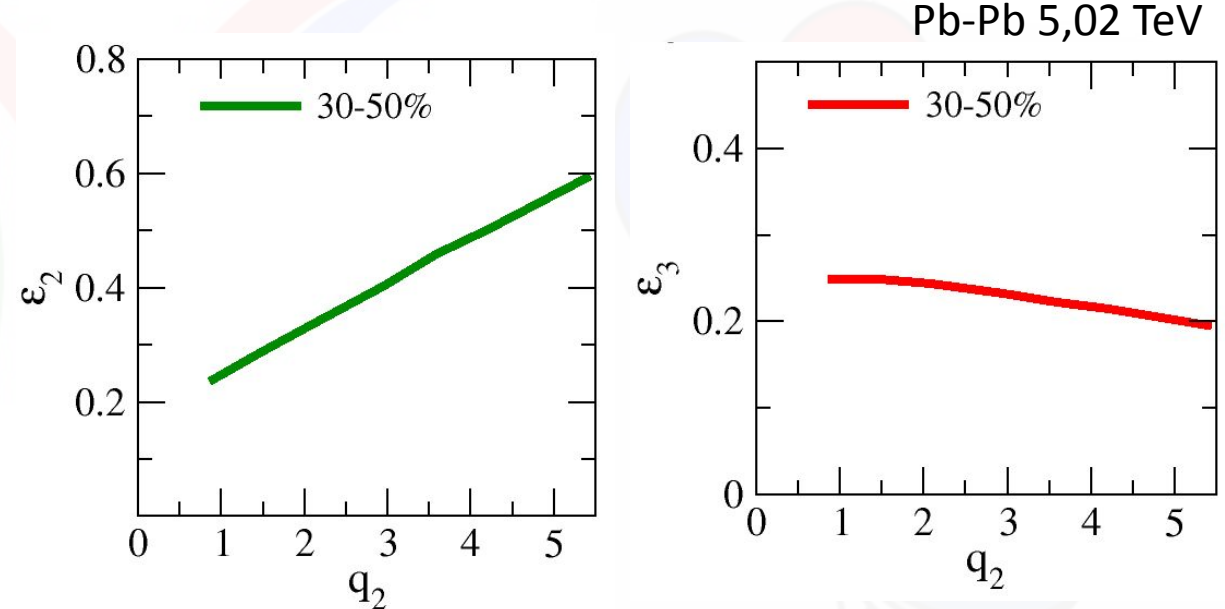


Large  $q_2 \rightarrow$  large  $\epsilon_2$

**Study of events as a function of changing geometry at fixed centrality**

$$\epsilon_n = \frac{\langle r_{\perp}^n \cos[n(\varphi - \Phi_n)] \rangle}{\langle r_{\perp}^n \rangle} \quad \Phi_n = \frac{1}{n} \arctan \frac{\langle r_{\perp}^n \sin(n\varphi) \rangle}{\langle r_{\perp}^n \cos(n\varphi) \rangle}$$

$$r_{\perp} = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}, \quad \varphi = \arctan(y/x)$$



Anti-correlation between  $\epsilon_2$  and  $\epsilon_3$

Non-linear correlation between  $\epsilon_2$  and  $\epsilon_4$



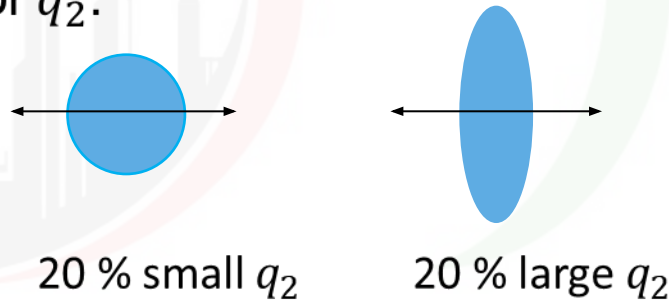
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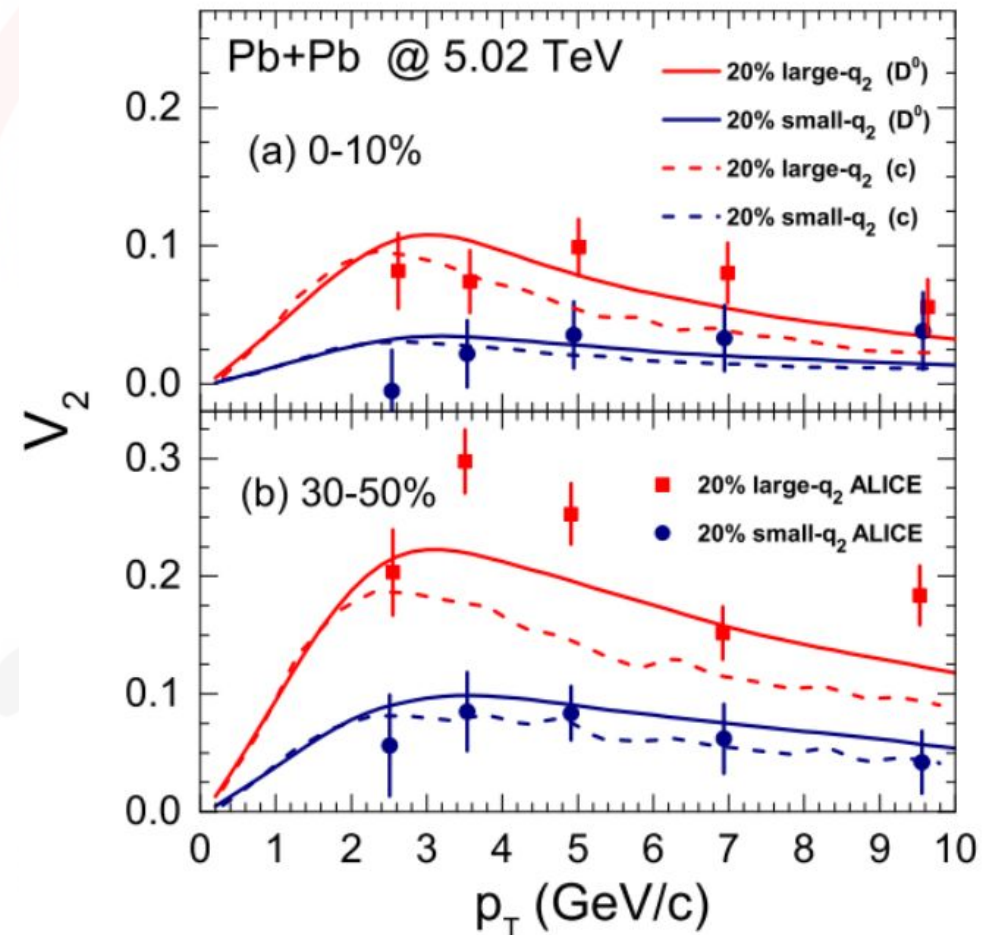
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**$q_2$  selected  $v_2(p_T)$**



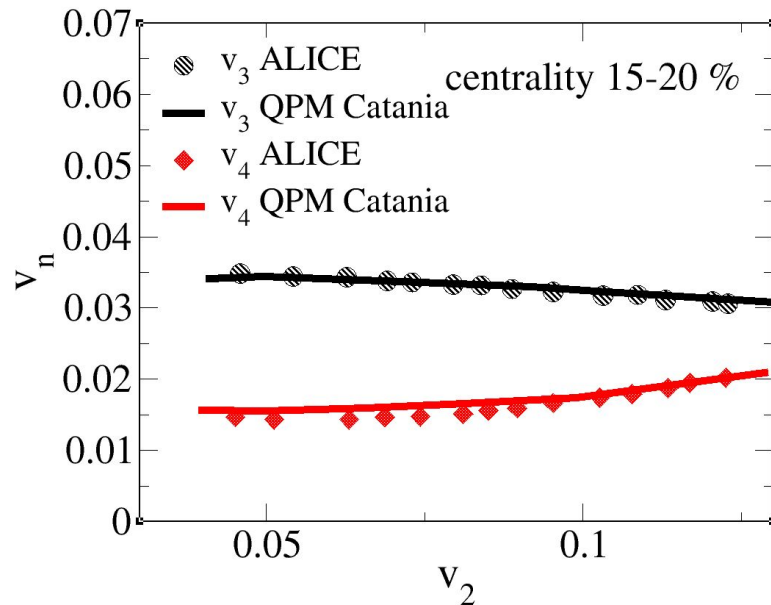
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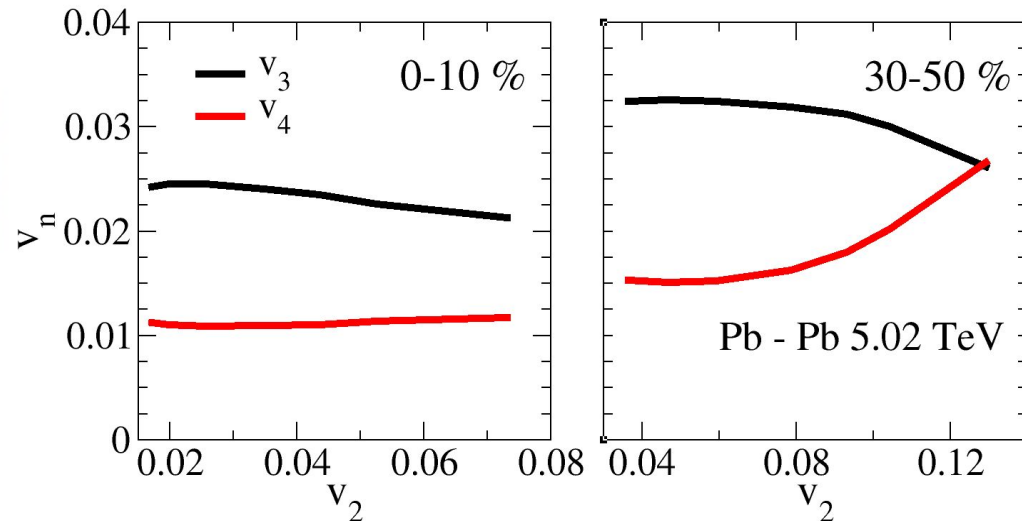
# ESE: $v_n - v_m$ correlations

M.L. Sambataro, et al., *Eur.Phys.J.C* 82 (2022)

Charged particles



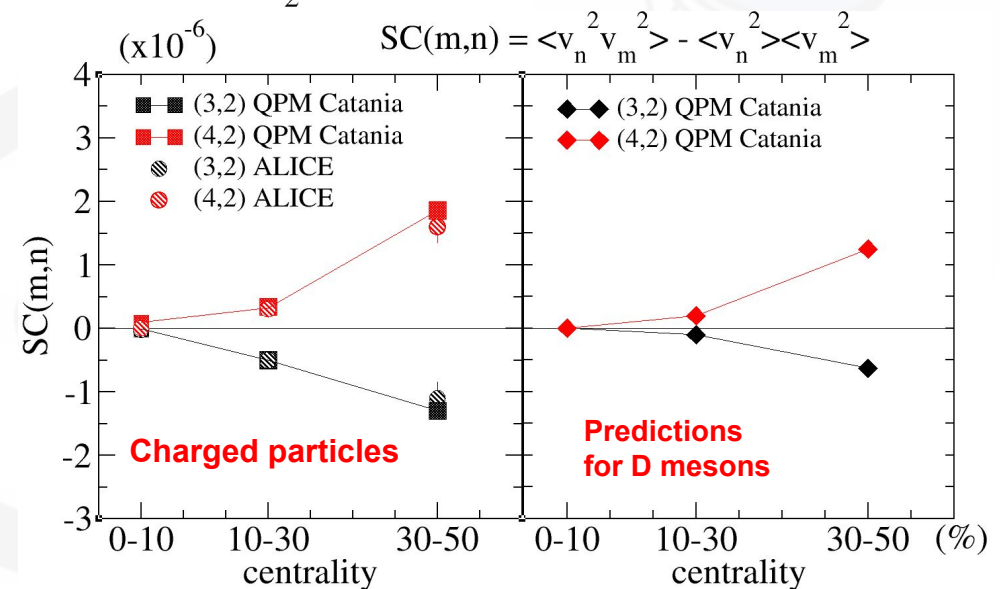
Predictions for D mesons



Correlations between the  $\epsilon_n$  and  $\epsilon_m$  present in the initial geometry  $\rightarrow$  correlations between flow harmonics different orders, i.e. correlations  $v_n$  and  $v_m$

- Good description of  $v_{n-m}$  correlation for bulk
- Prediction for similar but weaker correlation for hard particles
- Correlation for D mesons provide insights on the interaction and its temperature dependence

Plumari et al, *Phys.Lett.B* 805 (2020) 135460



Data taken from: S. Mohapatra *Nucl.Phys.A* 956 (2016) 59-66

**CHARM VS BOTTOM:**  
 **$D_s$  IN THE INFINITE MASS LIMIT**

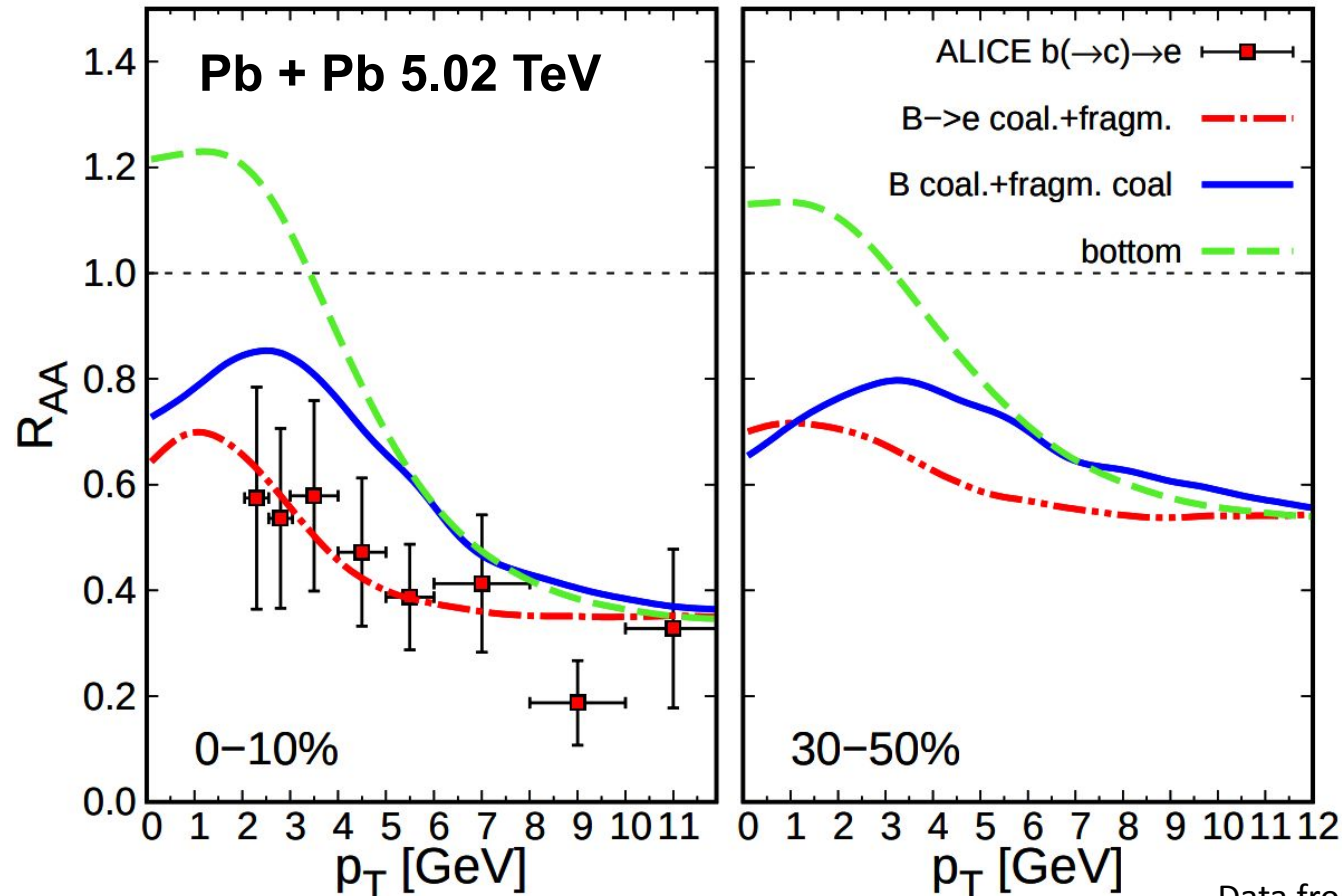
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# Extension to bottom dynamics: $R_{AA}$

Hadronization with coalescence + fragmentation (Kartvelishvili FF) model

- Prediction for B meson  $R_{AA}$
- $R_{AA}$  of electrons from semileptonic B meson decay



**No parameters changed  
with respect to charm  
dynamics  $\rightarrow$  same  
interaction**

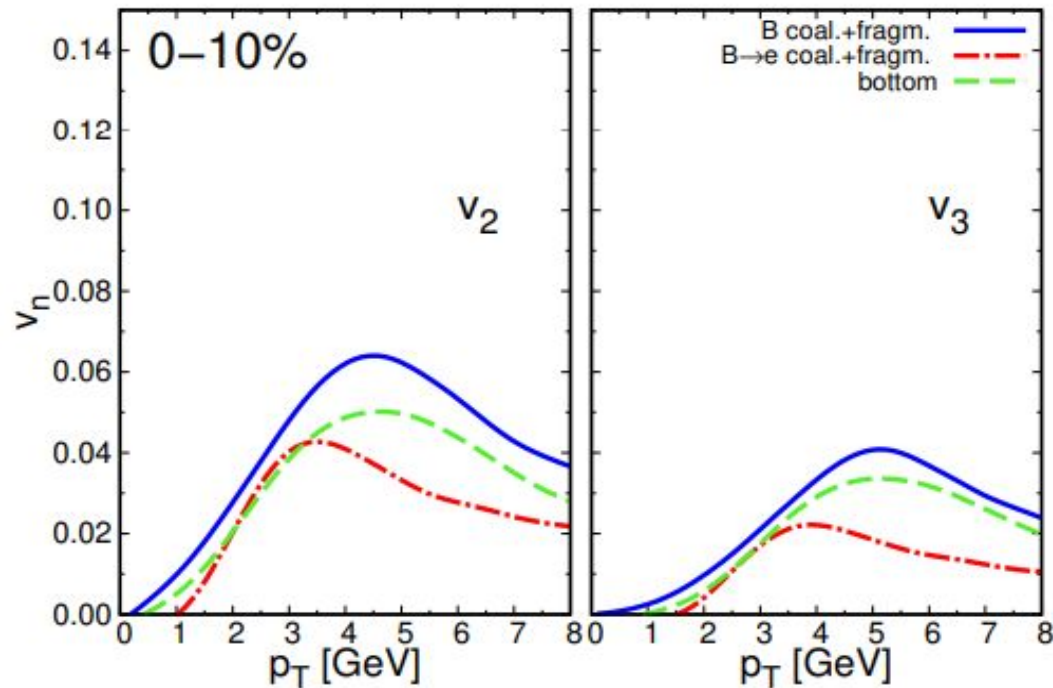
- Shift of the peak to higher momenta  
➔ smaller with respect to the one  
for D mesons in the same model.

Data from: ALICE coll., arxiv:2211.13985

# Extension to bottom dynamics: $v_{(n=2,3)}$

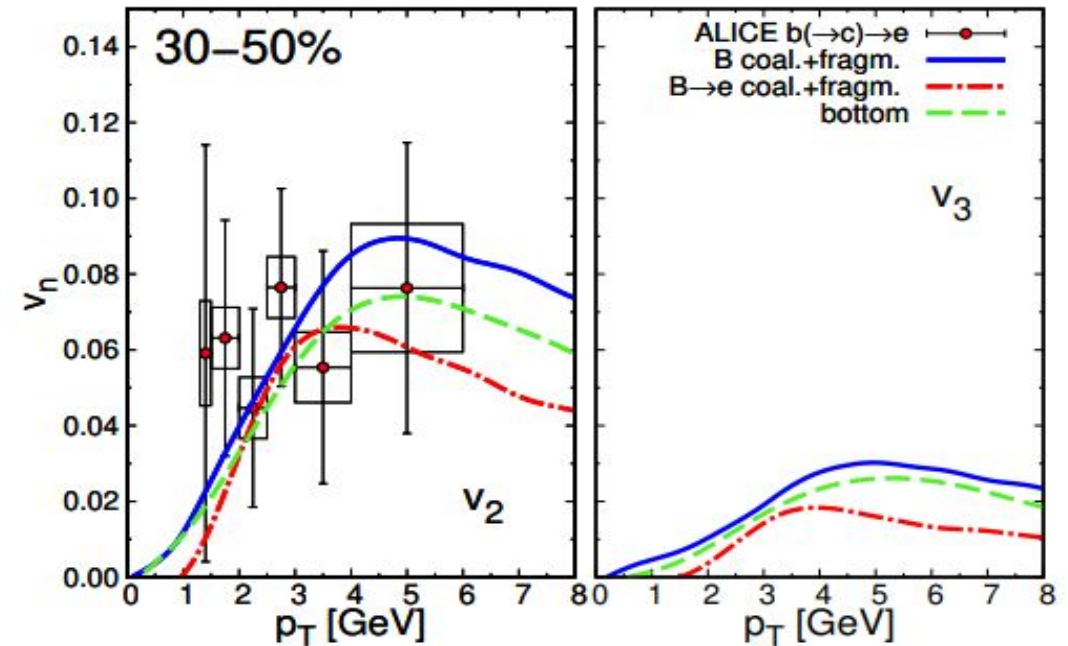
Data from ALICE, PRL 126, 162001 (2021)

- Prediction for B meson
- electrons from semileptonic B meson decay within a coal + fragm model



**The coupling of bottom quarks to the bulk medium is strong enough to collectively drag them in the expanding fireball.**

M.L. Sambataro, V. Minissale et al., e-Print: 2304.02953



## Compared to charm quark:

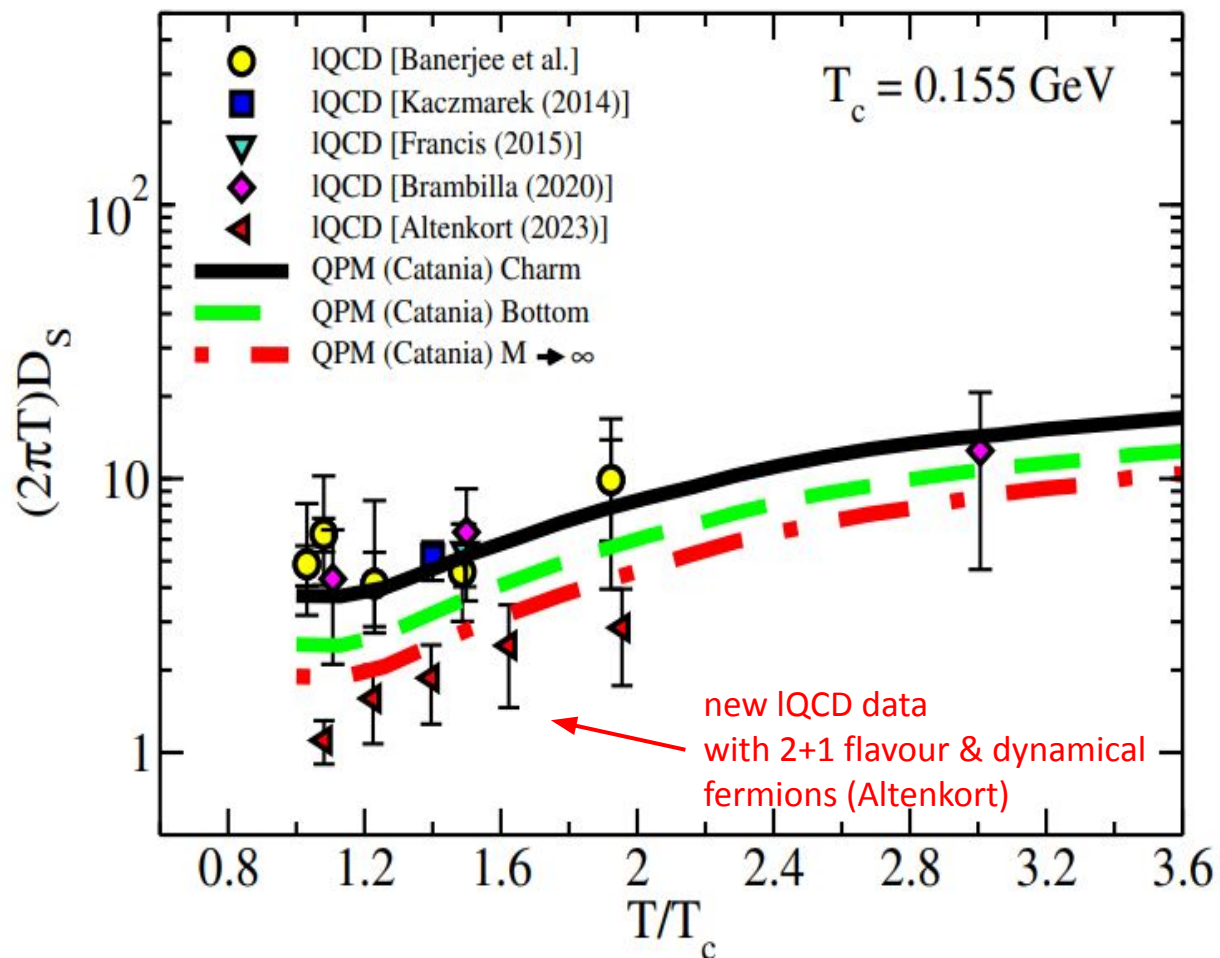
- Efficiency of conversion of  $\varepsilon_2$  :
  - ➔ 15% smaller for  $v_2$  in most central collisions.
  - ➔ 40% smaller for  $v_2$  at 30-50% centrality.
- Efficiency of conversion of  $\varepsilon_3$  :
  - ➔ 30% smaller for  $v_3$  at both 0-10% and 30-50% centralities.

## From central to peripheral:

- enhancement of  $v_2$  ( $\varepsilon_2(0-10\%) \approx 0.13$  and  $\varepsilon_2(30-50\%) \approx 0.42$ )
- similar  $v_3$  ( $\varepsilon_3(0-10\%) \approx 0.11$  and  $\varepsilon_3(30-50\%) \approx 0.21$ )



# $(2\pi T)D_s$ : Charm quark vs Bottom quark



From  $D_s$  we obtain ( in the  $1-2T_c$  range):

- $\tau_{th}(c) \sim 5 \text{ fm/c}$
- $\tau_{th}(b) \sim 11 \text{ fm/c}$  breaking w.r.t. the relation:  
 $\tau_{th}(b) = (M_b/M_c)\tau_{th}(c) \sim 3.3 \tau_{th}(c) \sim 16.5 \text{ fm/c}$

- IQCD data are in  $M_Q \rightarrow \infty$ , so the  $D_s$  evaluated is mass independent + quenched medium
- QPM use finite mass and includes dynamical fermions

$$D_s = \frac{T}{M \gamma} = \frac{T}{M} \tau_{th}$$

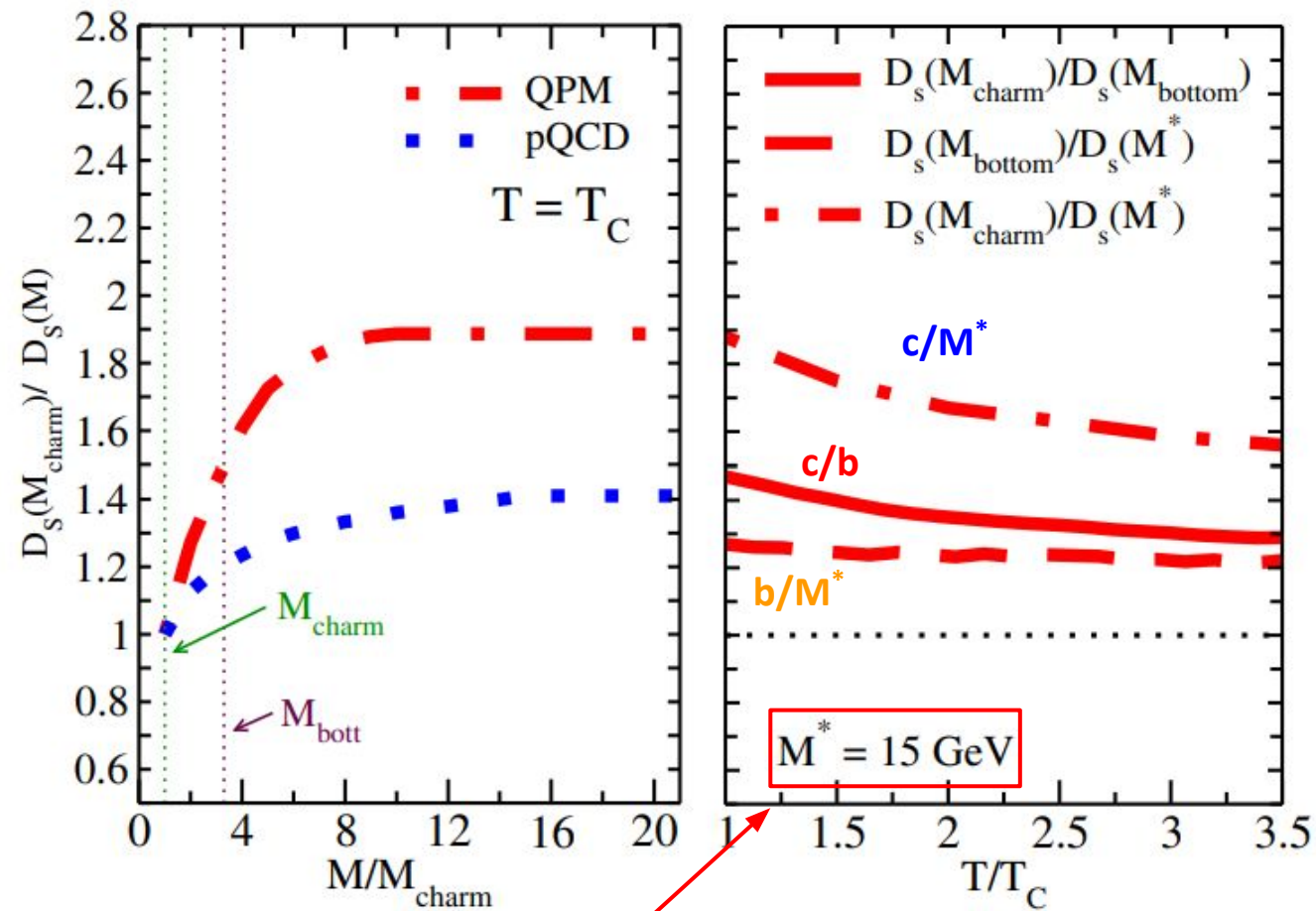
From kinetic theory is expected that:

$$\tau_{th}(b)/\tau_{th}(c) \approx \gamma_c/\gamma_b \approx M_b/M_c$$

In QPM approach  $\rightarrow D_s(c)$  is 30-40% larger than  $D_s(b)$  (no mass independence)

$M \rightarrow \infty$  limit is not reached for charm

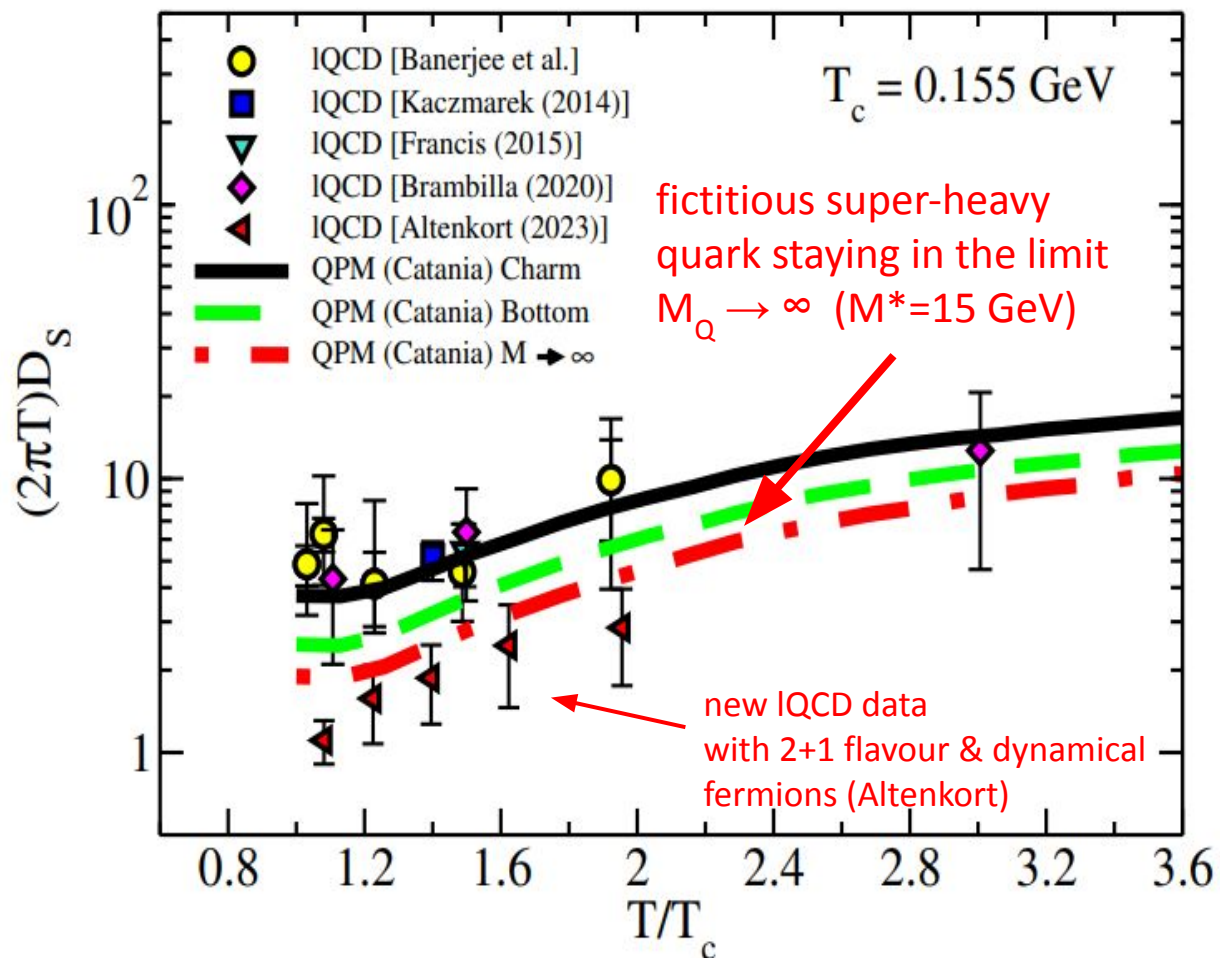
# $(2\pi T)D_s$ ratios: Charm quark vs Bottom quark



fictitious super-heavy quark staying in the  $M_Q \rightarrow \infty$  limit

- $D_s(M_{\text{charm}})/D_s(M)$  as a function of  $M/M_{\text{charm}}$  at  $T_c$ :  
 Saturation scale of  $D_s$  for  $M_Q \sim 8 M_{\text{charm}} \gtrsim 10 \text{ GeV}$   
 $D_s(M_{\text{charm}})/D_s(M \rightarrow \infty) \approx 1.9$  for QPM.  
 In pQCD case  $D_s(M_{\text{charm}})/D_s(M \rightarrow \infty) \approx 1.4$
- Ratios at fixed mass as a function of  $T$ :
  - $b/M^*$ : about 25% in all  $T$  range
  - $c/b$ : about 50% at  $T_c$  and not smaller than 30%
  - $c/M^*$ : factor 1.5-2

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**$D_s(T)$  from QPM in the infinite mass limit is the more pertinent to compare to IQCD simulations evaluated taking into account dynamical fermions**

# Conclusions

- $D_s(T)$  in QPM which reproduces D meson  $R_{AA}$  and  $v_2$ :
  - correct predictions for  $v_3$ ,  $q_2$  selected anisotropic flow and prediction for significant  $v_n - v_m$  correlation of D meson, similar correlation between soft and hard particles.
- Extension to bottom quark dynamics: good description of  $R_{AA}$  and  $v_2$  of electrons from semileptonic B meson decay and prediction for  $v_3$
- **Spatial diffusion coefficient  $D_s(T)$ : charm vs bottom and the infinite mass limit**
  - $D_s(c)/D_s(b)$  ratio of about a factor of 1.5 at  $T \sim T_c$  and 1.3 at higher temperatures ( $T \sim 3 - 4 T_c$ )
  - For the charm mass scale: the infinite mass limit used in IQCD is not yet reached;  
For the bottom mass scale: discrepancy of only about a 20% w.r.t. the infinite mass limit
  - Taking into account mass scale dependence in QPM, we have satisfactory agreement with the most recent IQCD calculations that include dynamical fermions, differently from previous IQCD data in quenched approximation.
  - Thermalization time for bottom quark:  $\tau_{th} \sim 10 - 12 \text{ fm}/c$  which is about a factor of 2 larger than charm and so quite smaller than 3.3 as suggest by a simple  $M_Q/T$  scaling.





# Thanks for the attention!

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