

# Liquid Quark-Gluon Plasma: Opportunities and Challenges

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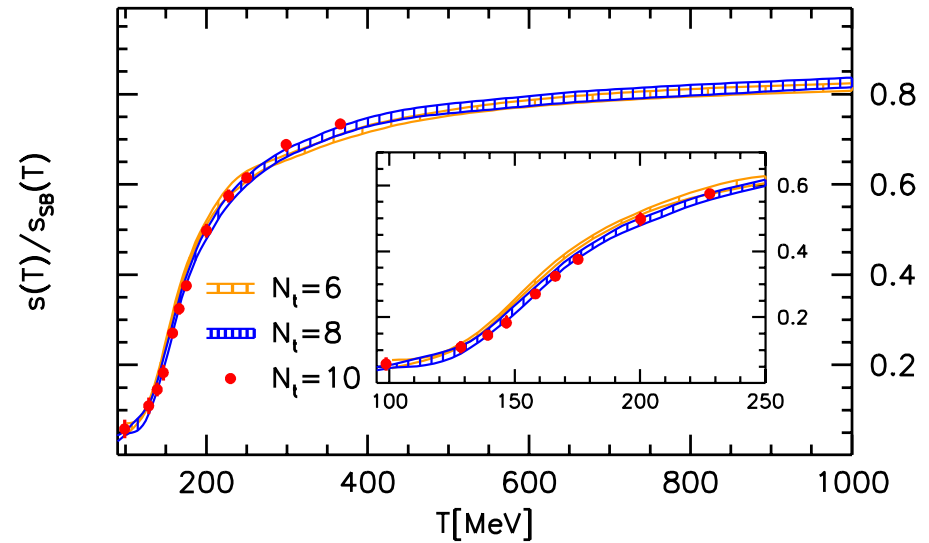
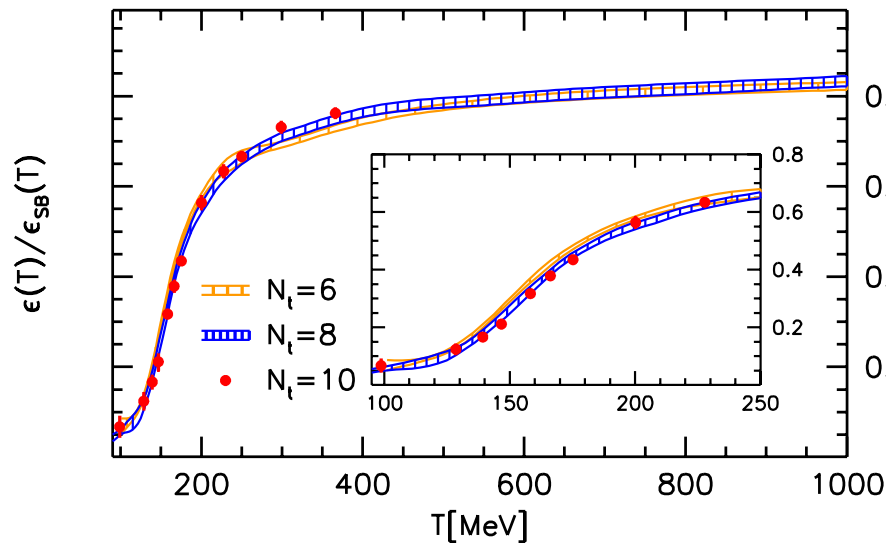
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# A Grand Opportunity

- By colliding “nuclear pancakes” (nuclei Lorentz contracted by  $\gamma \sim 100$  and now  $\gamma \sim 1400$ ), RHIC and now the LHC are making little droplets of “Big Bang matter”: the stuff that filled the whole universe for the first few microseconds after the Big Bang.
- Using five detectors (PHENIX & STAR @ RHIC; ALICE, ATLAS & CMS @ LHC) scientists are answering questions about the microseconds-old universe that cannot be addressed by any conceivable astronomical observations made with telescopes and satellites.
- And, the properties of the matter that filled the microsecond old universe turn out to be **interesting**. The Liquid Quark-Gluon Plasma shares common features with forms of matter that arise in condensed matter physics, atomic physics and black hole physics, and that pose challenges that are central to each of these fields.

# QGP Thermodynamics on the Lattice

Endrodi et al. 2010



Above  $T_{\text{crossover}} \sim 150\text{-}200$  MeV, QCD = QGP. QGP static properties can be studied on the lattice.

Lesson of the past decade: don't try to infer dynamic properties from static ones. Although its thermodynamics is almost that of ideal-noninteracting-gas-QGP, this stuff is very different in its dynamical properties. [Lesson from experiment+hydrodynamics. But, also from the large class of gauge theories with holographic duals whose plasmas have  $\epsilon$  and  $s$  at infinite coupling 75% that at zero coupling.]

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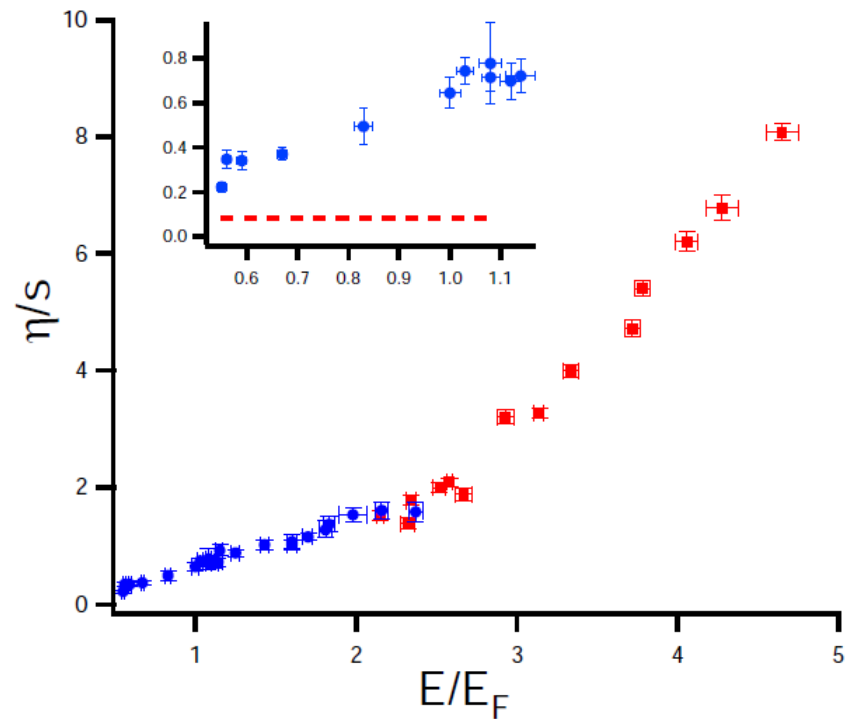
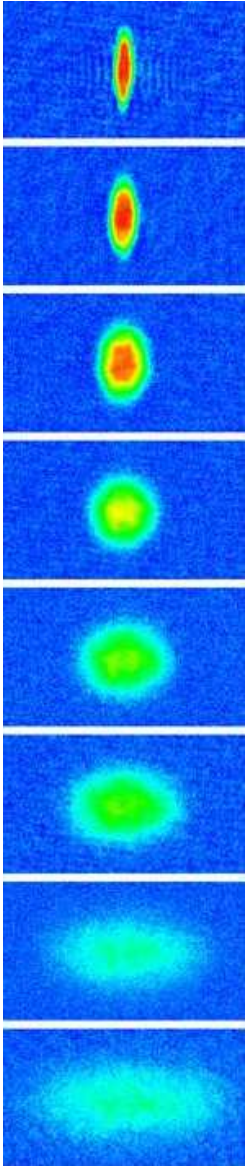
- Hydrodynamic analyses of RHIC data on how asymmetric blobs of Quark-Gluon Plasma expand (explode) have taught us that QGP is a strongly coupled liquid, with  $(\eta/s)$  — the dimensionless characterization of how much dissipation occurs as a liquid flows — much smaller than that of all other known liquids except one.
- The discovery that it is a strongly coupled liquid is what has made QGP interesting to a broad scientific community.
- Can we make quantitative statements, with reliable error bars, about  $\eta/s$ ?
- Does the story change at the LHC?

# Ultracold Fermionic Atom Fluid

- The one terrestrial fluid with  $\eta/s$  comparably small to that of QGP.
- NanoKelvin temperatures, instead of TeraKelvin.
- Ultracold cloud of trapped fermionic atoms, with their two-body scattering cross-section tuned to be infinite. A strongly coupled liquid indeed. (Even though it's conventionally called the “unitary Fermi gas”.)
- Data on elliptic flow (and other hydrodynamic flow patterns that can be excited) used to extract  $\eta/s$  as a function of temperature...

# Viscosity to entropy density ratio

consider both collective modes (low T)  
and elliptic flow (high T)



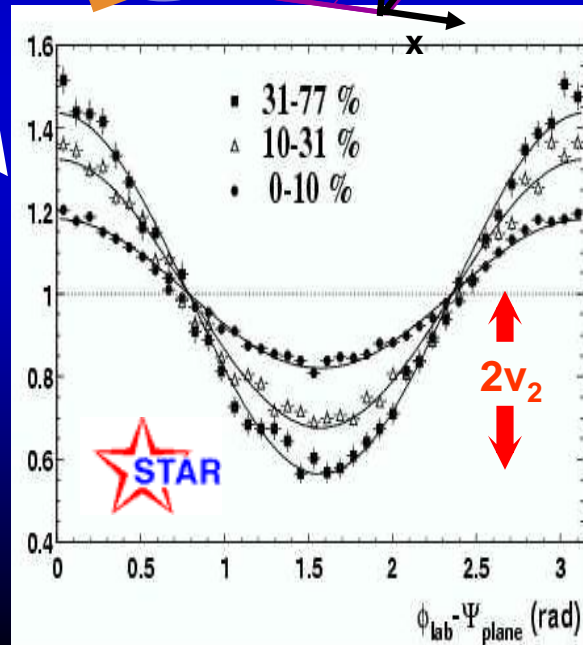
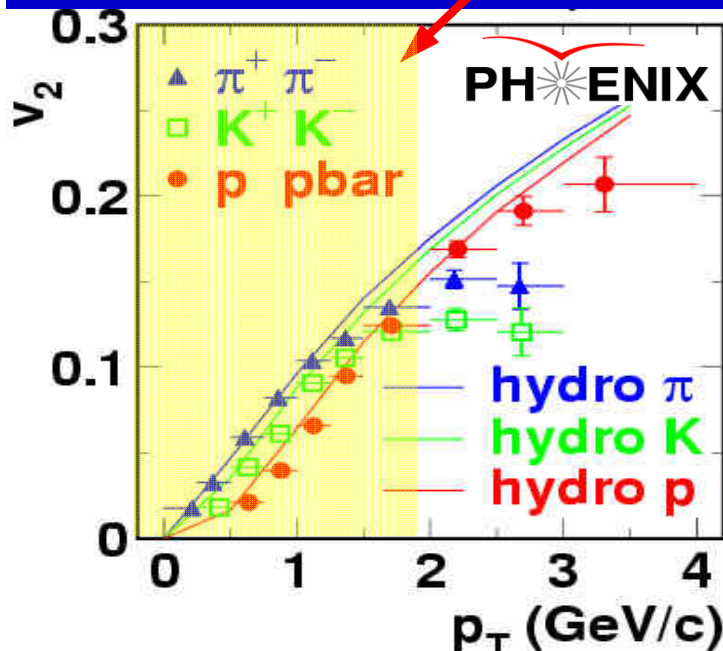
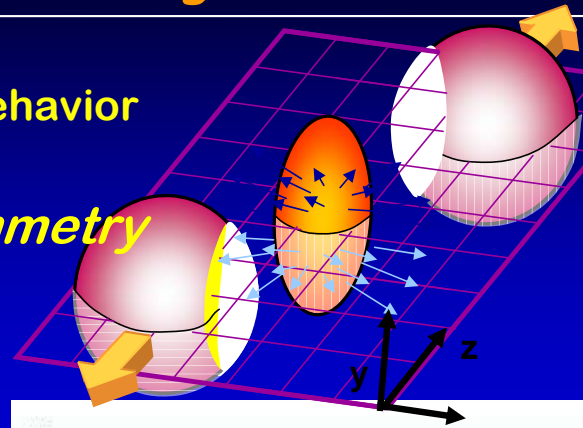
Cao et al., Science (2010)

$$\eta/s \leq 0.4$$



# Motion Is Hydrodynamic

- When does thermalization occur?
  - Strong evidence that final state bulk behavior reflects the initial state geometry
- Because the initial *azimuthal asymmetry* persists in the final state
$$dn/d\phi \sim 1 + 2 v_2(p_T) \cos(2\phi) + \dots$$



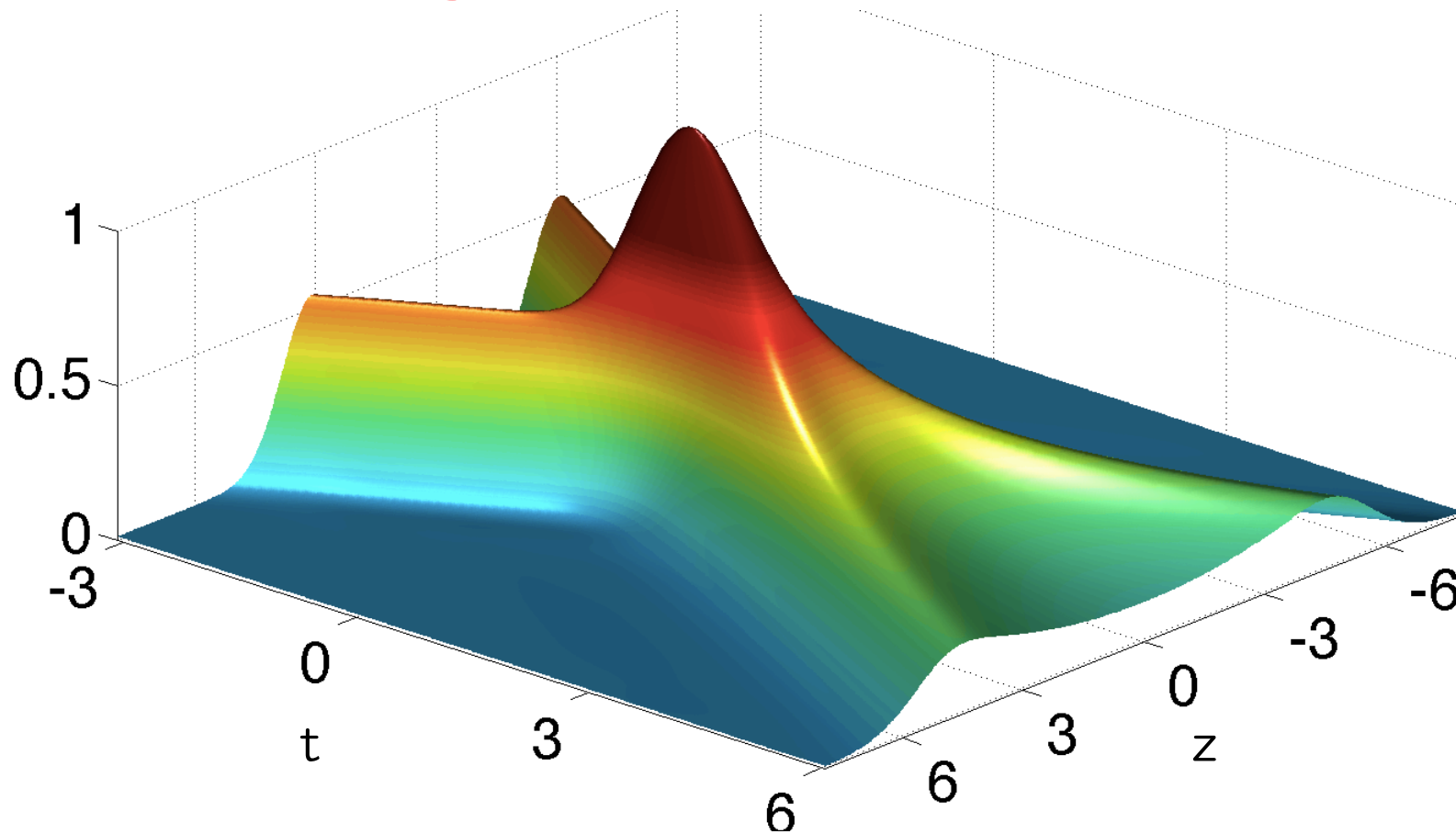
This old slide (Zajc, 2008) gives a sense of how data and hydrodynamic calculations of  $v_2$  are compared, to extract  $\eta/s$ .

# Rapid Equilibration?

- Agreement between data and hydrodynamics can be spoiled either if there is too much dissipation (too large  $\eta/s$ ) or if it takes too long for the droplet to equilibrate.
- Long-standing estimate is that a hydrodynamic description must already be valid only 1 fm after the collision.
- This has always been seen as *rapid equilibration*. Weak coupling estimates suggest equilibration times of 3-5 fm. And, 1 fm just sounds rapid.
- But, is it really? How rapidly does equilibration occur in a strongly coupled theory?



# Colliding Sheets of Energy in a Strongly Coupled Theory

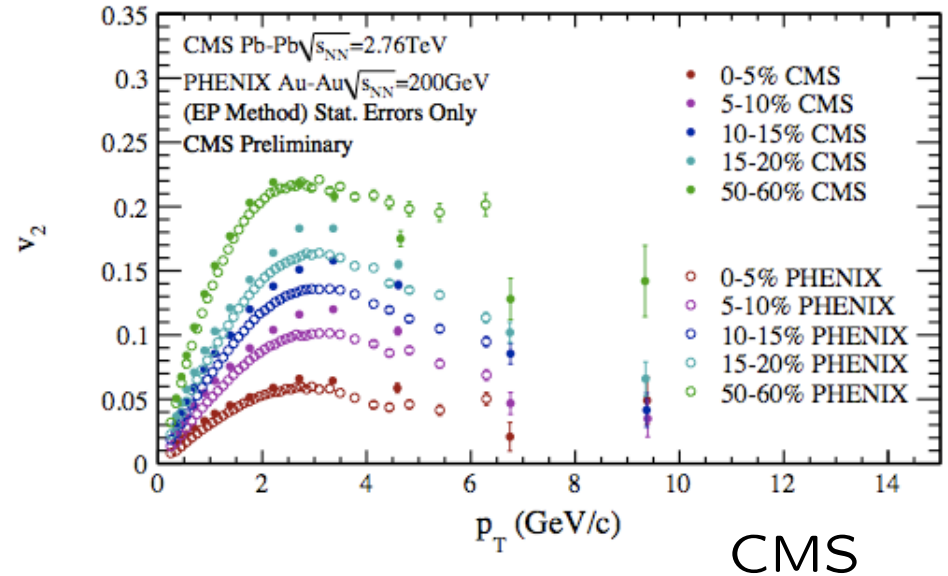
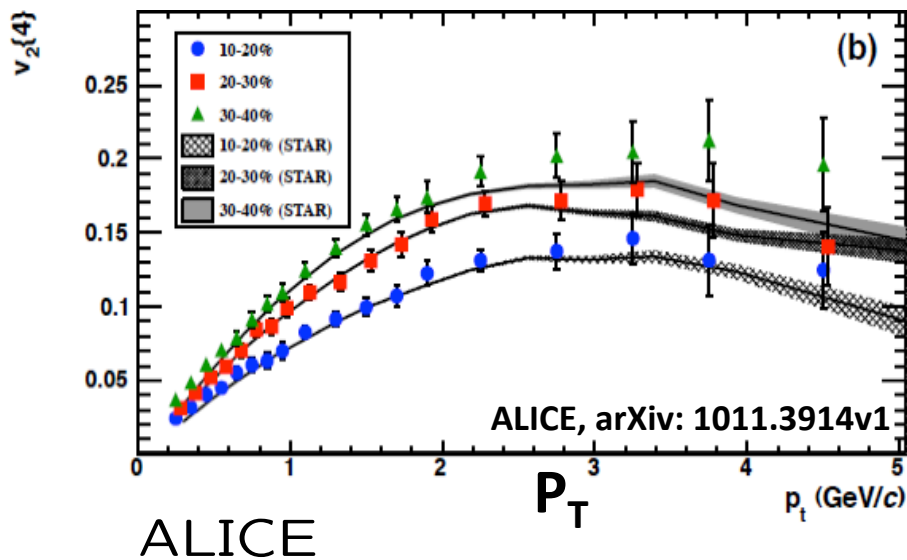


Hydrodynamics valid  $\sim 3$  sheet thicknesses after the collision, i.e.  $\sim 0.35$  fm after a RHIC collision. Equilibration after  $\sim 1$  fm need not be thought of as rapid. Chesler, Yaffe arXiv:1011.3562

# Determining $\eta/s$ from RHIC data

- Using relativistic viscous hydrodynamics to describe expanding QGP, microscopic transport to describe late-time hadronic rescattering, and using RHIC data on pion and proton spectra and  $v_2$  as functions of  $p_T$  and impact parameter...
- QGP@RHIC, with  $T_c < T \lesssim 2T_c$ , has  $1 < 4\pi\eta/s < 2.5$ . Uncertainty was more than twice as large in 2009. [Largest remaining uncertainty: assumed initial density profile across the “almond” .] Song, Bass, Heinz, Hirano, Shen arXiv:1101.4638
- $4\pi\eta/s \sim 10^4$  for typical terrestrial gases, and 10 to 100 for all known terrestrial liquids except one. Hydrodynamics works much better for QGP@RHIC than for water.
- $4\pi\eta/s = 1$  for any (of the by now very many) known strongly coupled gauge theory plasmas that are the “hologram” of a (4+1)-dimensional gravitational theory “heated by” a (3+1)-dimensional black-hole horizon.

# What changes at the LHC?

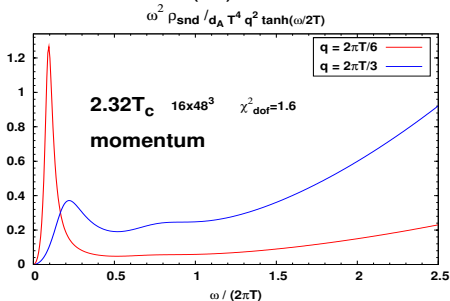
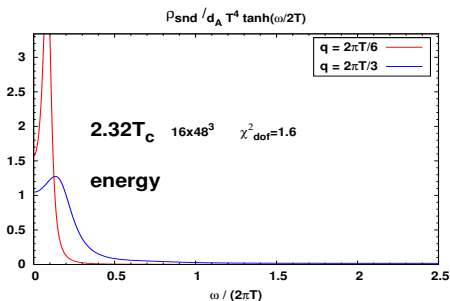
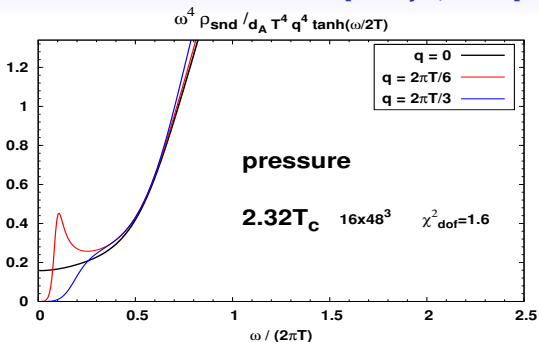


$v_2(p_T)$  for charged hadrons similar at LHC and RHIC. At zeroth order, no apparent evidence for any change in  $\eta/s$ . The hotter QGP at the LHC is still a strongly coupled liquid.

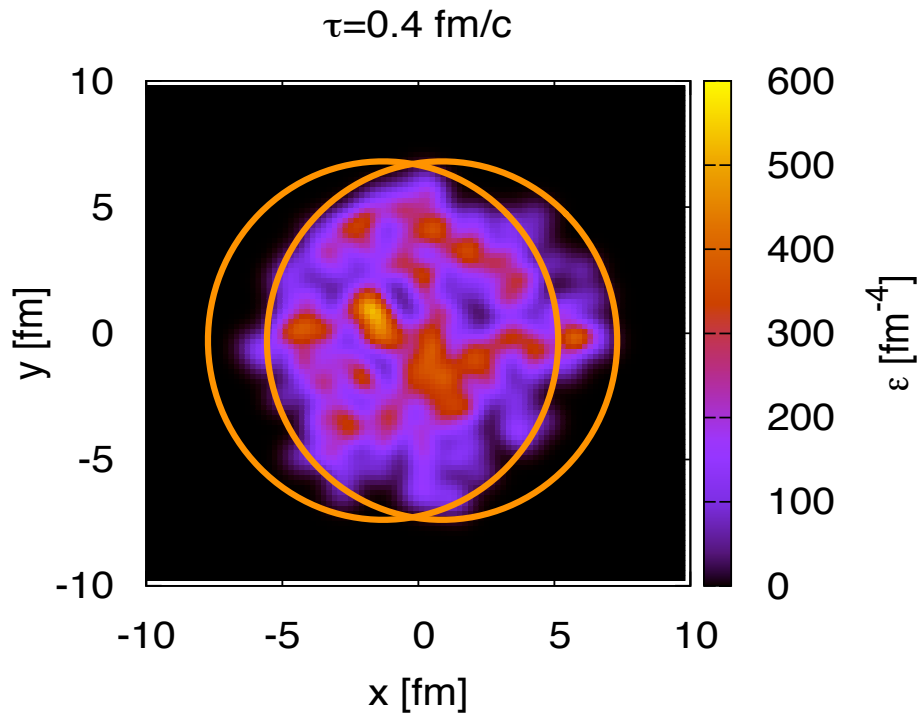
Quantifying this, i.e. constraining the (small) temperature dependence of  $\eta/s$  in going from RHIC to LHC, requires separating effects of  $\eta/s$  from effects of initial density profile across the almond.

# Sound spectral functions for Gluon Plasma on lattice [H. Meyer, QM 09]

- $16 \times 48^3$  lattice
- 48 data pts; 7 fit params
- momenta up to  $q = \pi T$
- $[\eta/s]_{GP,lat} = 0.20(3)$  at  $1.58T_c$
- $[\eta/s]_{GP,lat} = 0.26(3)$  at  $2.32T_c$
- No large change in  $\eta/s$  from RHIC to LHC expected



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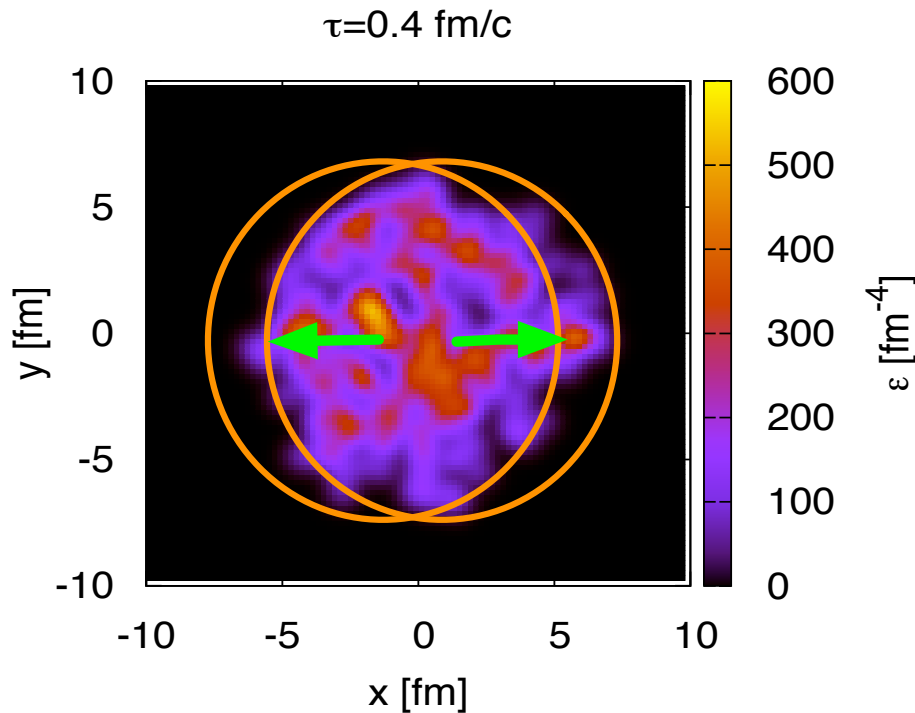
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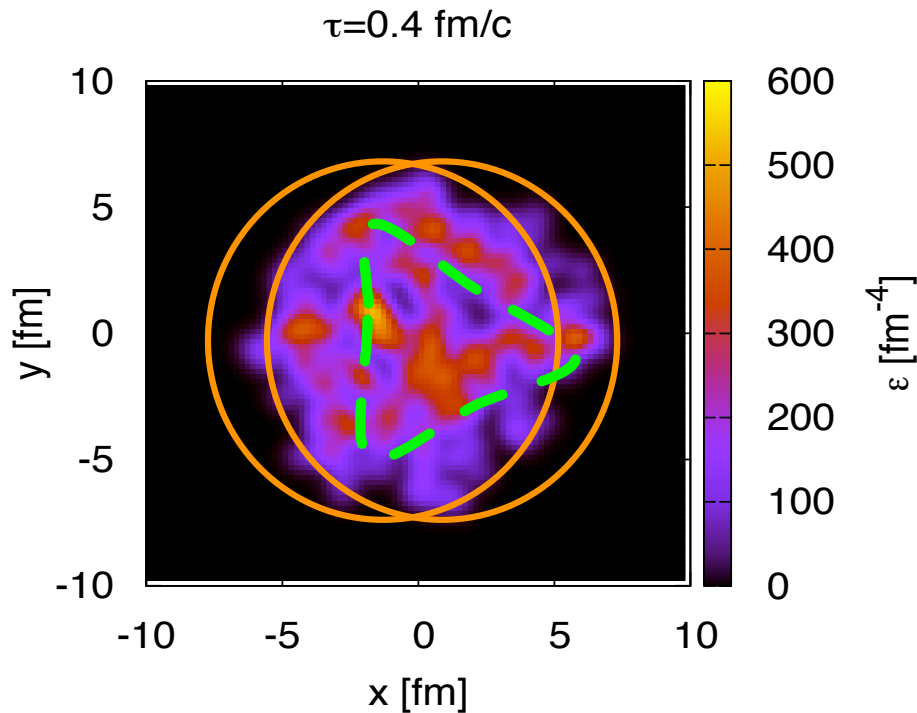
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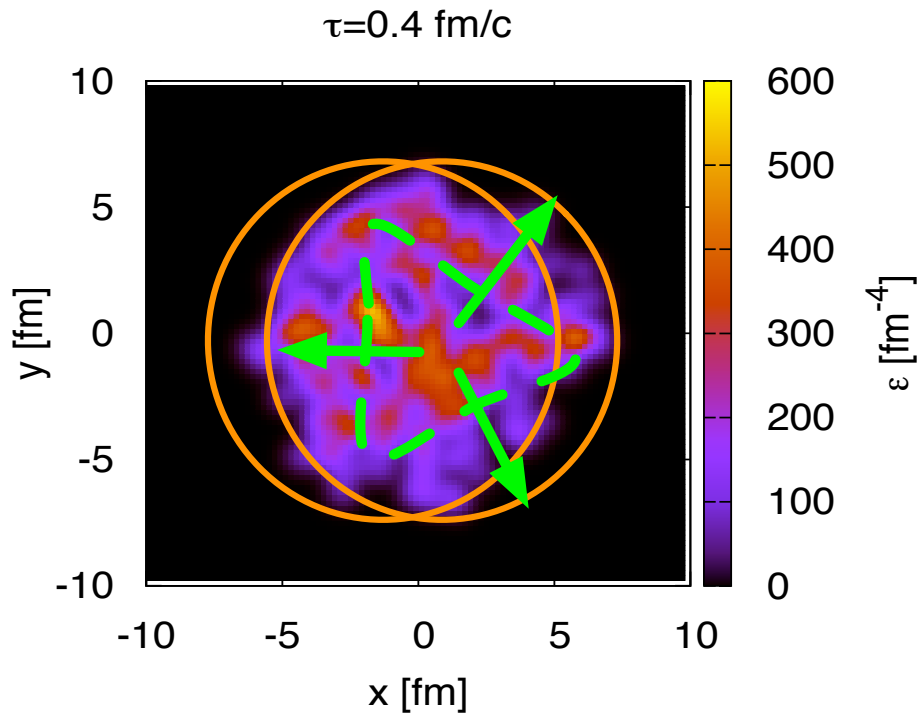
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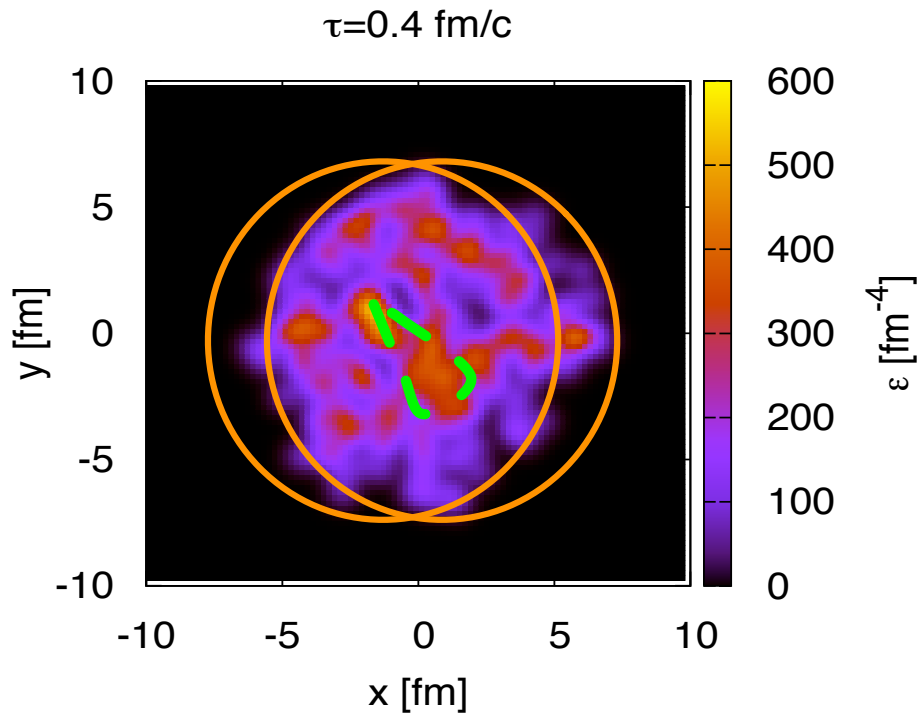
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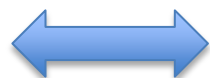
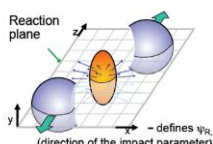
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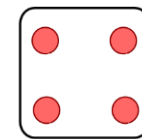
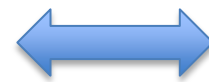
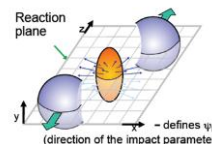
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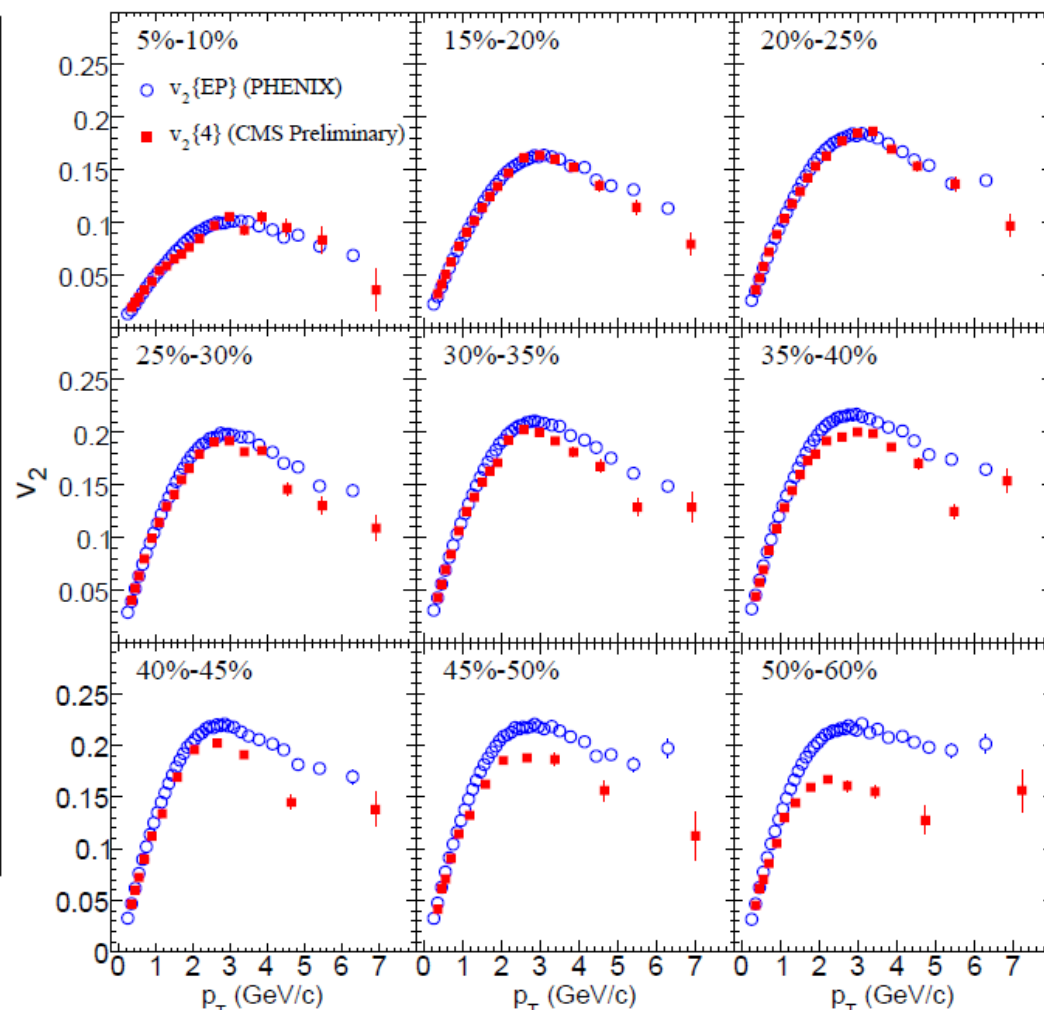
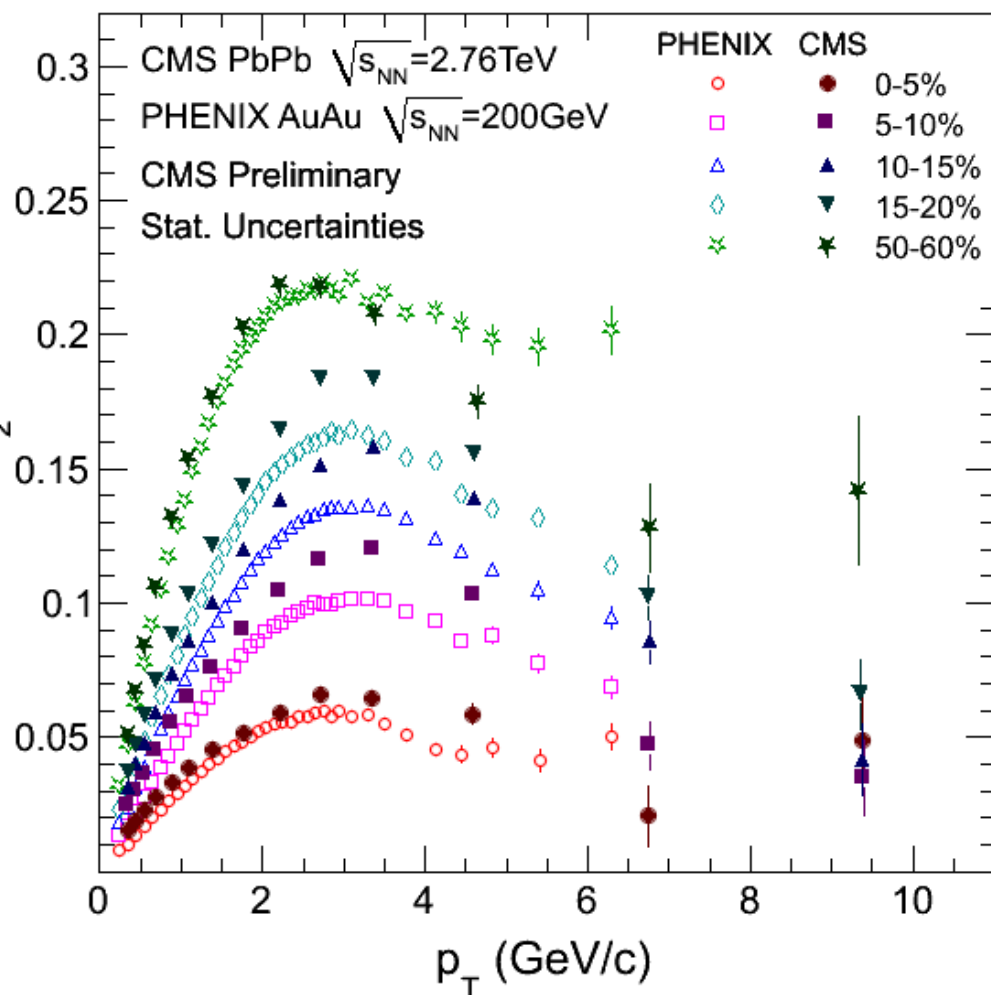
# $v_2(p_T)$ at mid- $\eta$ : PbPb 2.76 TeV – AuAu 0.2 TeV



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[Phys. Rev. Lett. 105, 062301 \(2010\)](#)



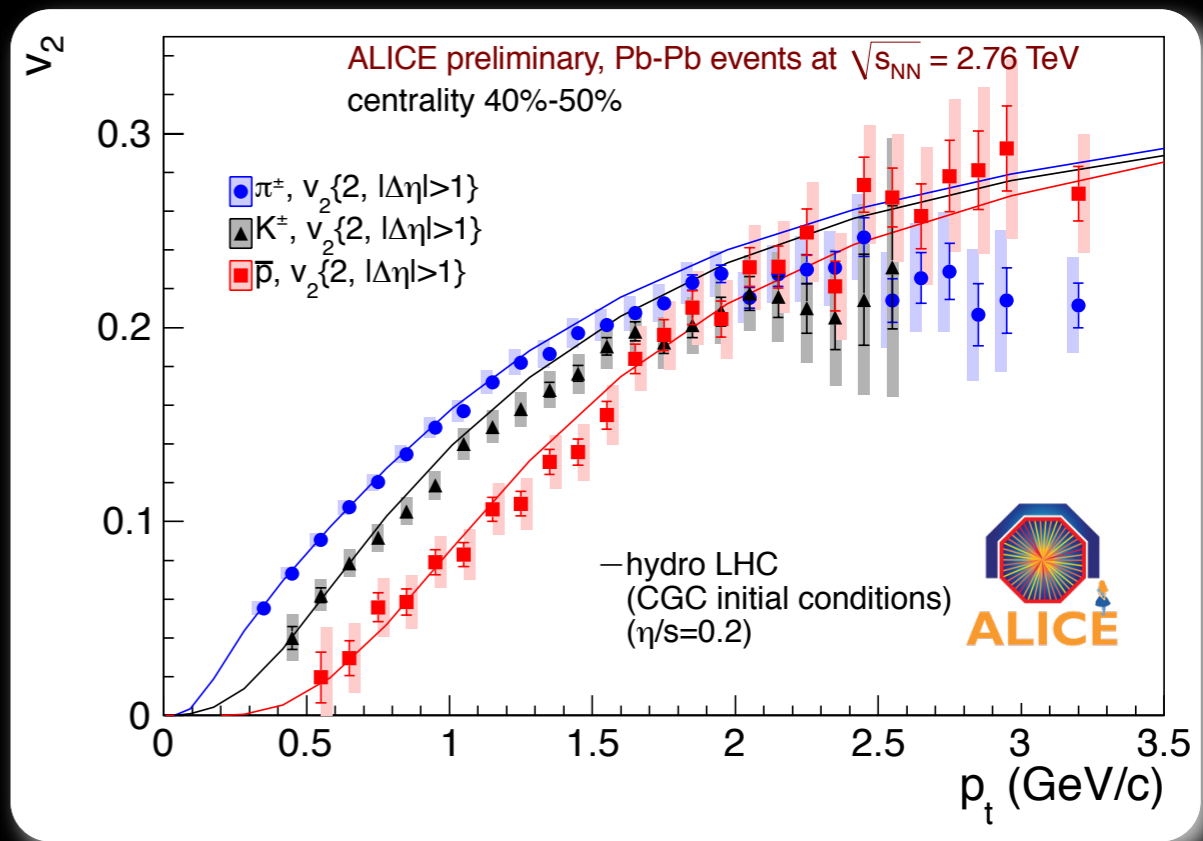
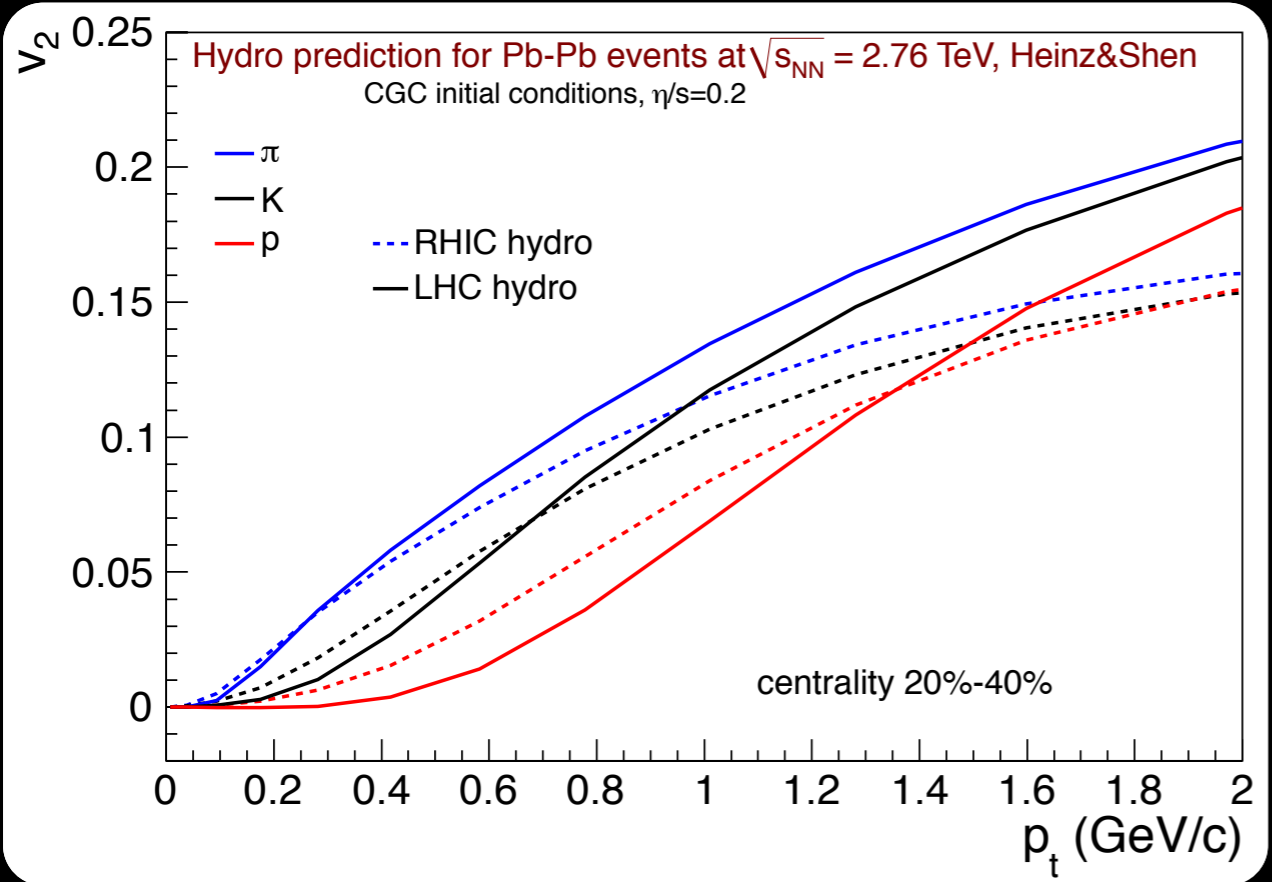
Low  $p_T$  – within 15%; High  $p_T$  – CMS < PHENIX for cent > 30%



# $v_2$ for identified particles



Hydro: Shen, Heinz, Huovinen & Song, arXiv:105.3226

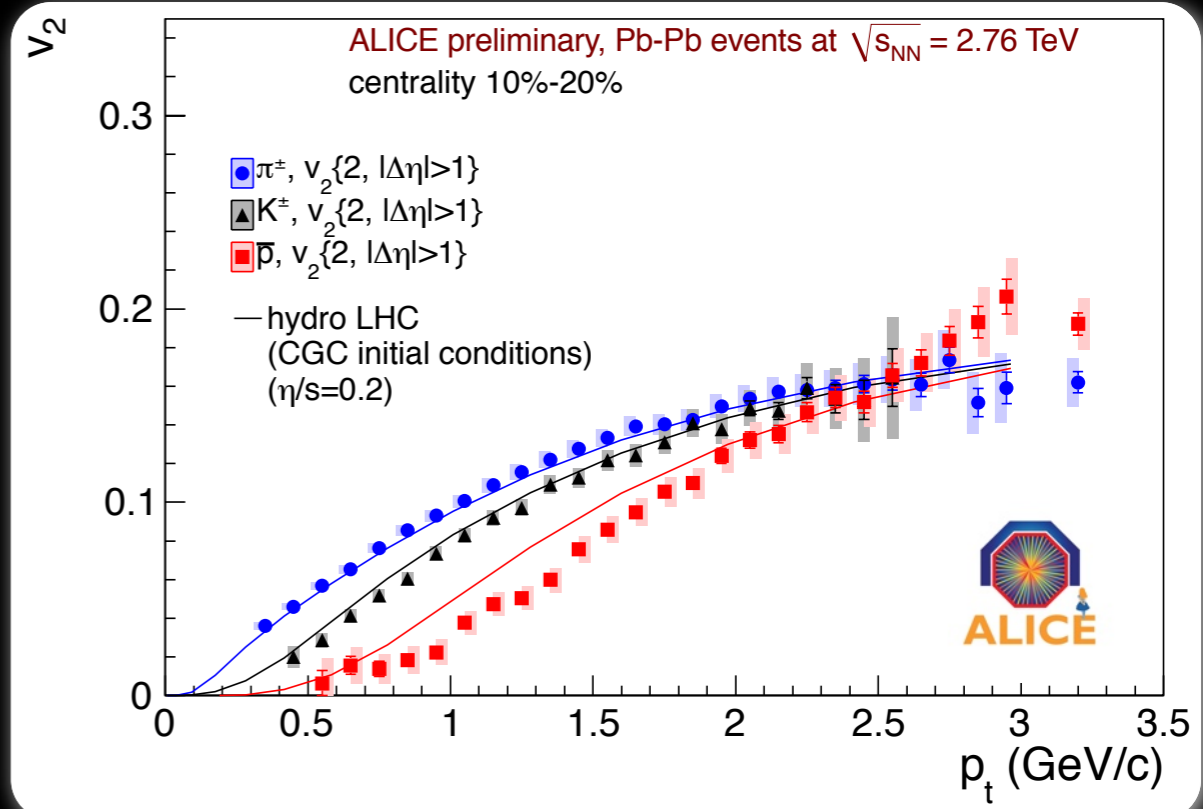


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hydro models predict larger mass splitting

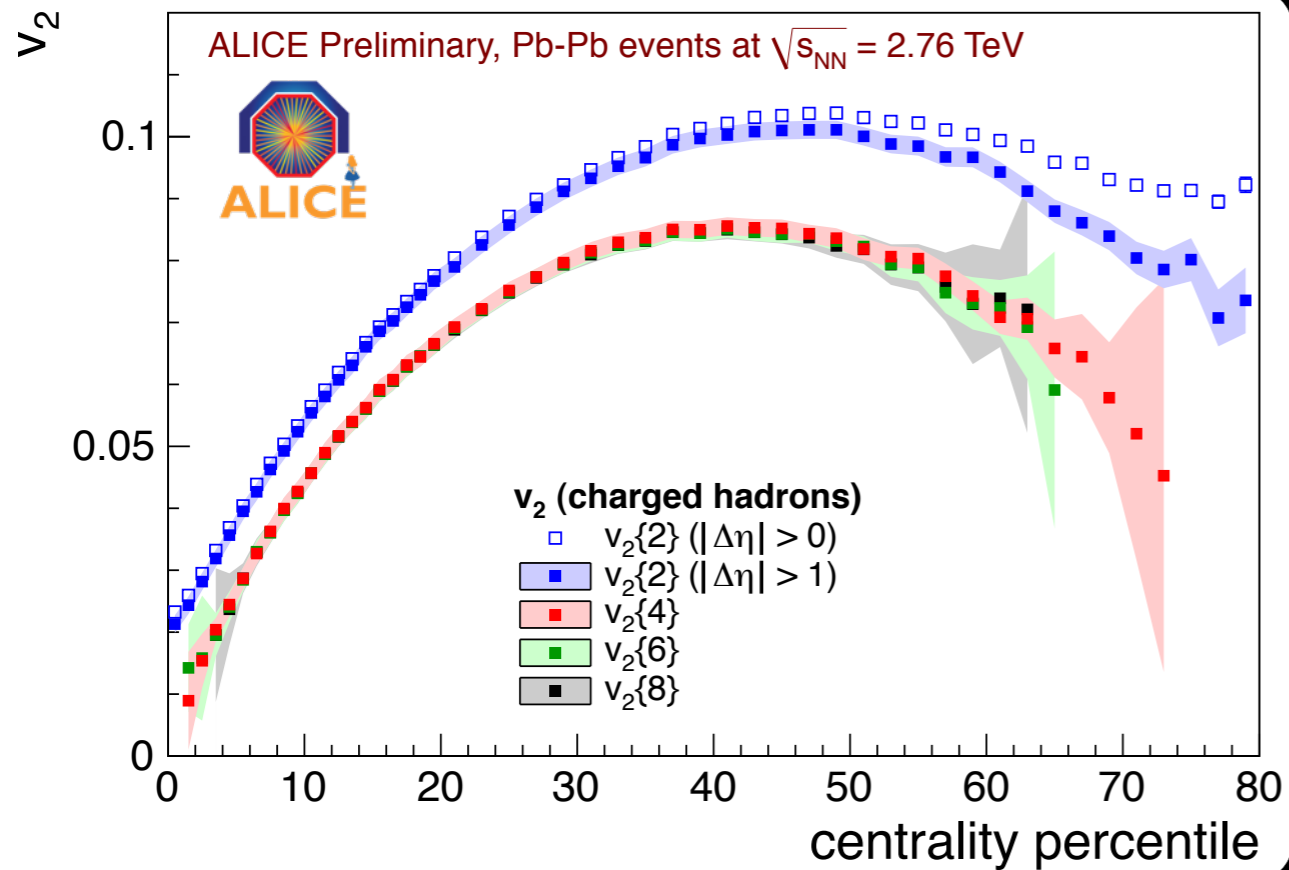
data shows mass splitting and agrees well with hydro predictions for mid-central collisions

for more central collisions the anti-proton flow is not described by the same calculations

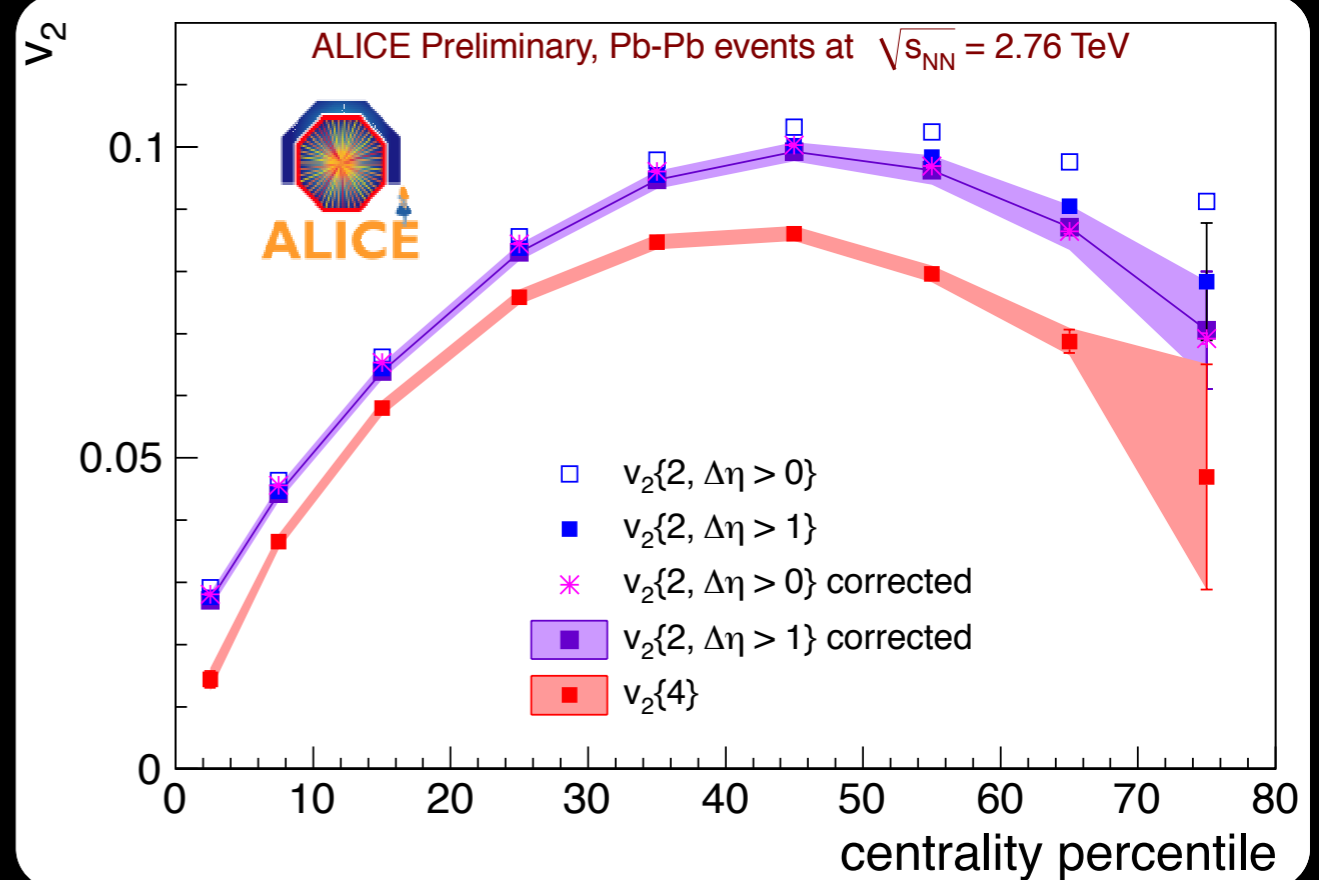


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# $v_2$ versus centrality in ALICE



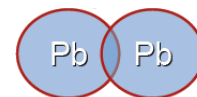
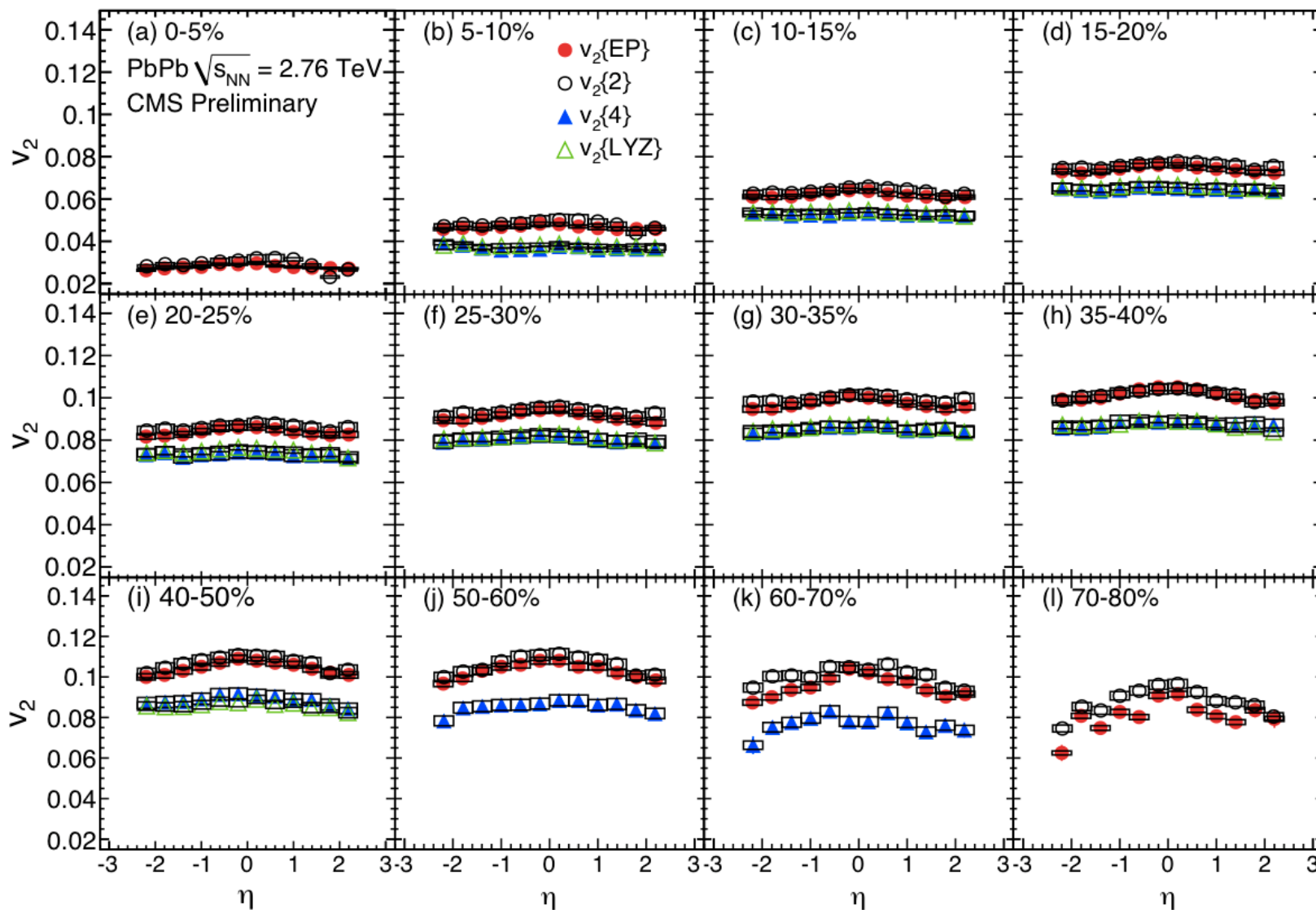
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Two particle  $v_2$  estimates depend on  $\Delta\eta$   
Higher order cumulant  $v_2$  estimates are consistent within uncertainties

Two particle  $v_2$  estimates are corrected for nonflow based on HIJING  
The estimated nonflow correction for  $\Delta\eta > 1$  is included in the systematic uncertainty

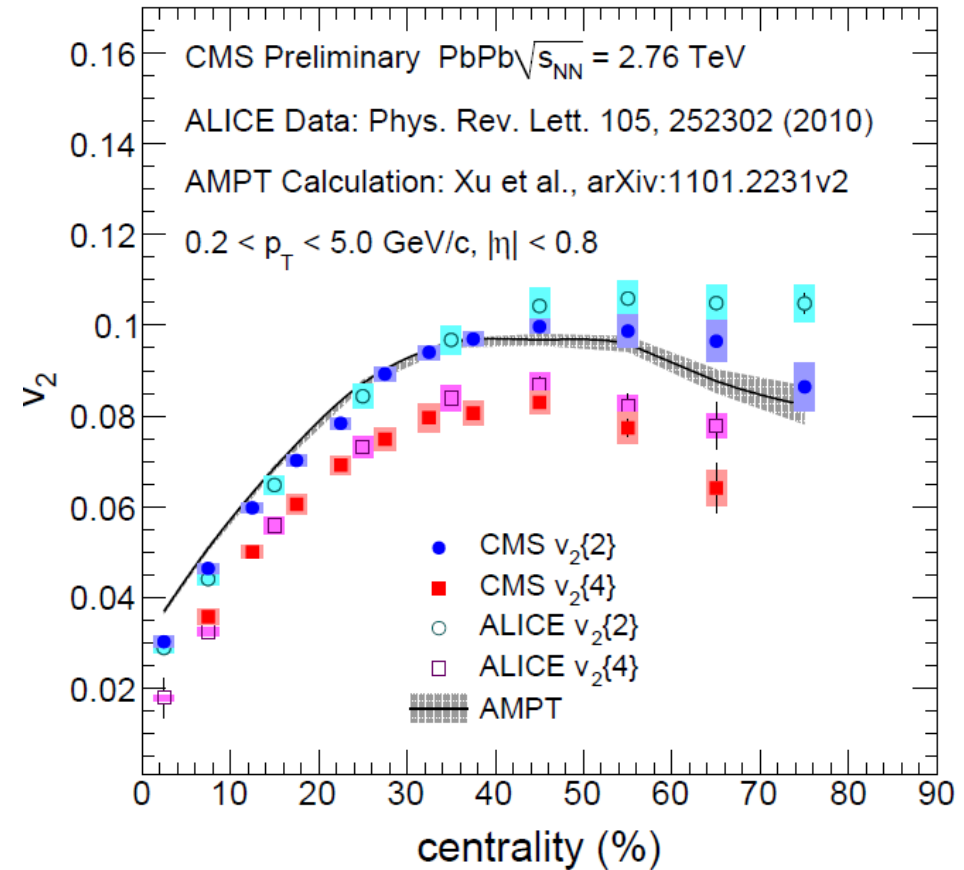
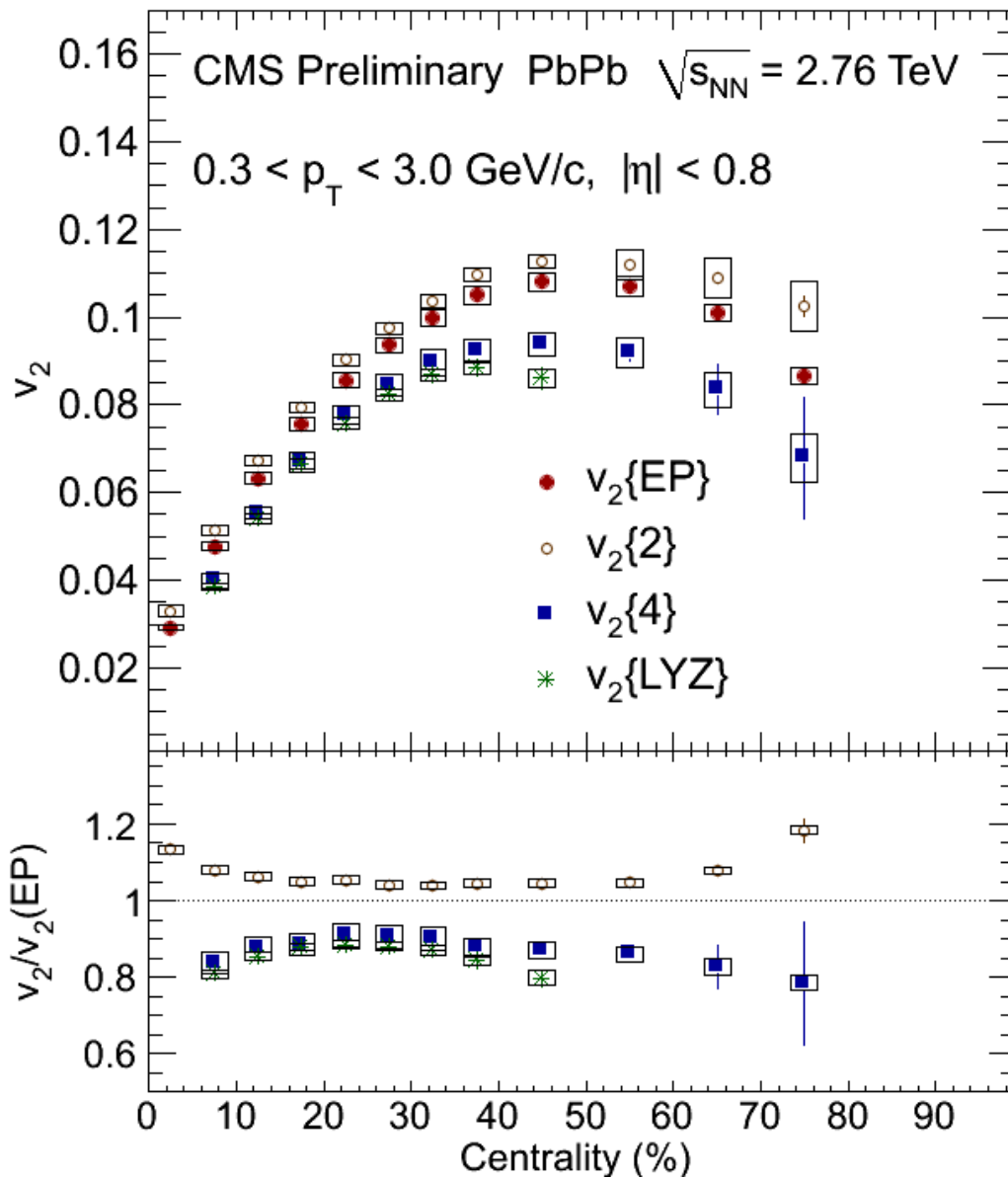
# $v_2(\eta)$ : centrality dependence



- Weak  $\eta$ -dependence, except for most peripheral (EP and  $v_2\{2\}$ )
- may constrain descriptions of the longitudinal dynamics



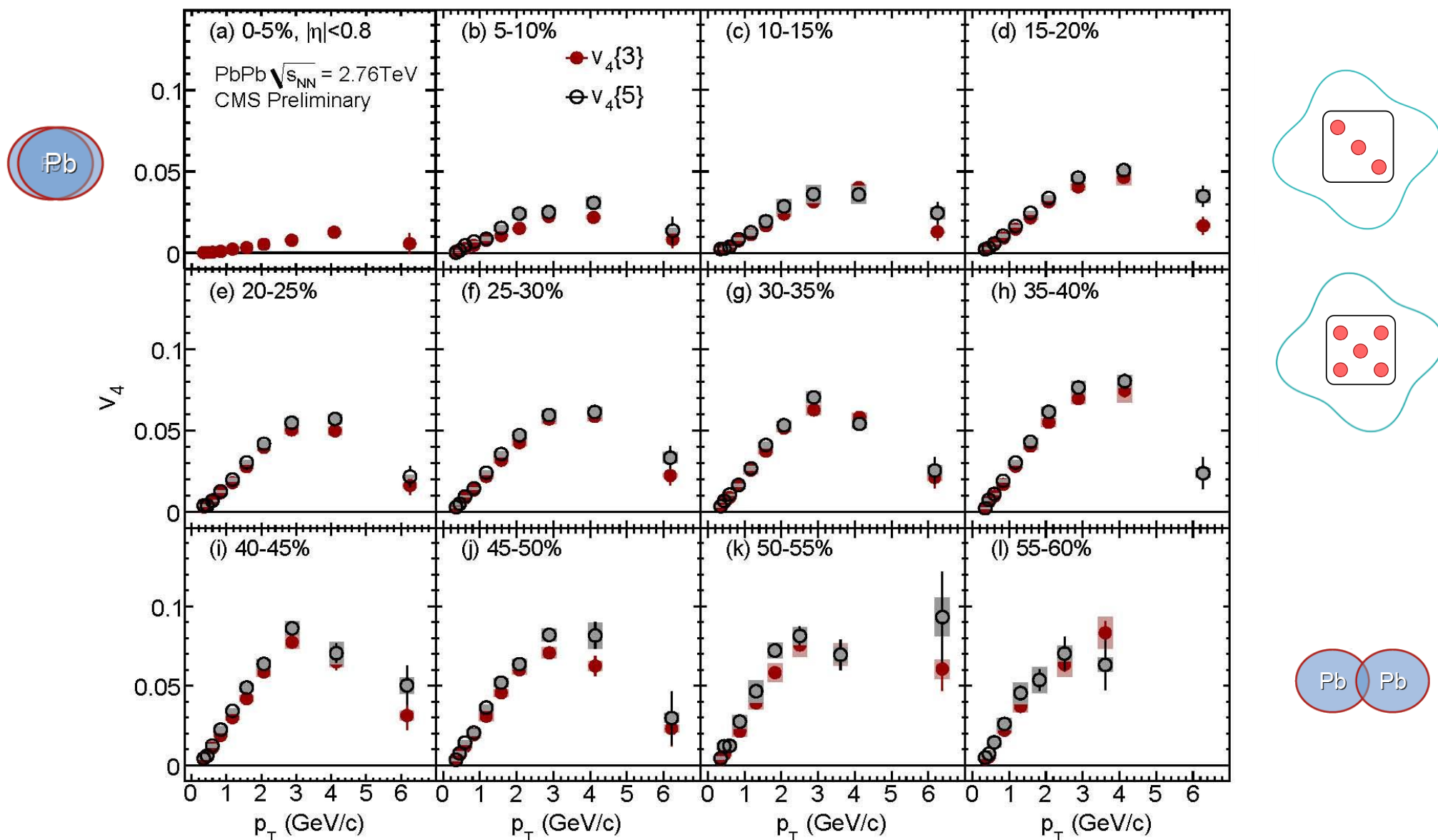
# $v_2(\text{centrality})$ at mid- $\eta$



Good agreement with ALICE,  
 except in most peripheral events  
 AMPT is consistent with  $v_2\{2\}$

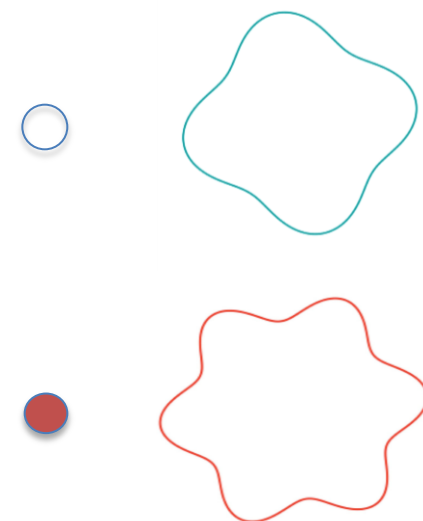
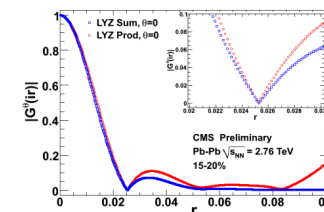
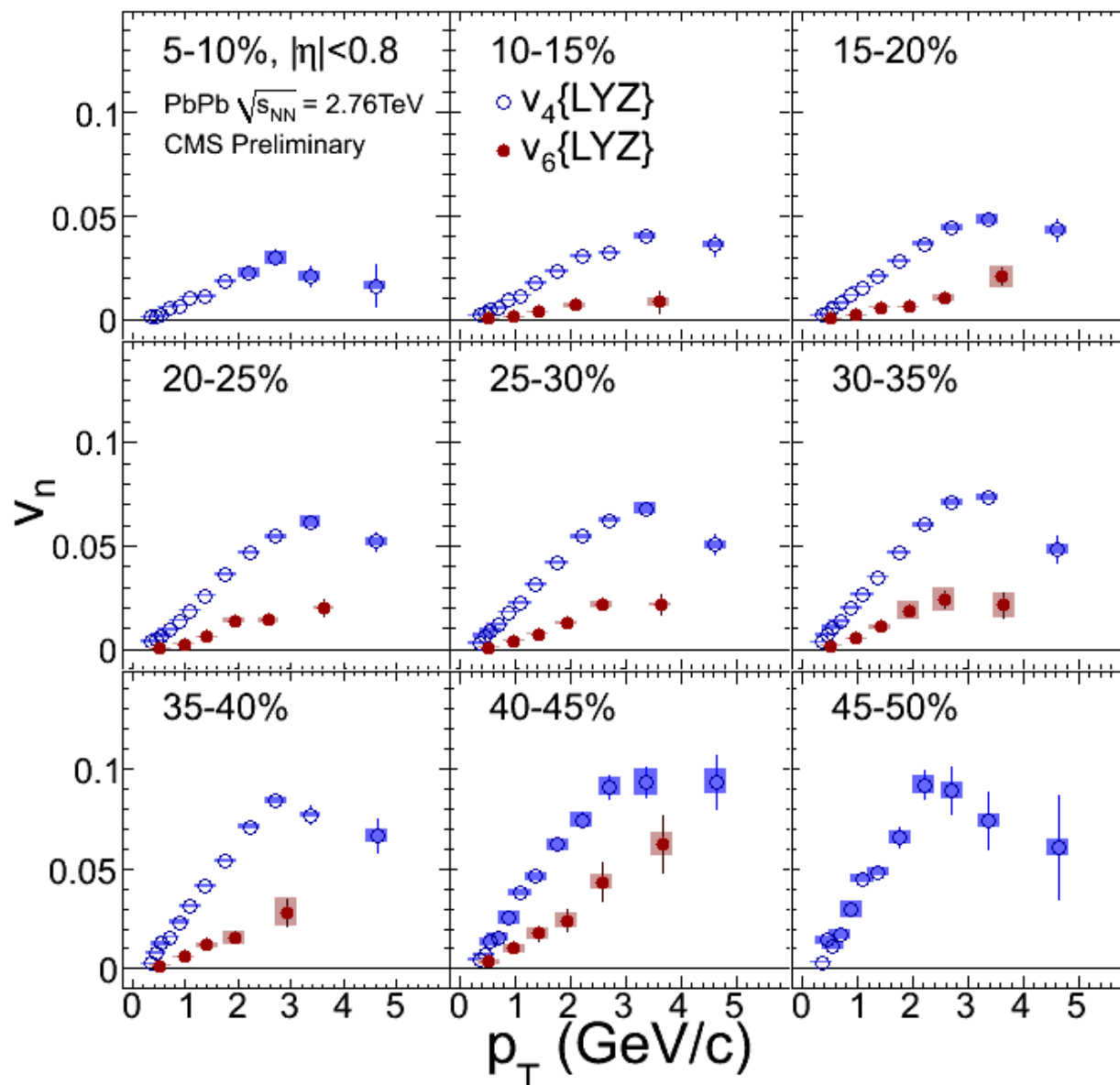
$v_2$  rises up to 40-50% , then decreases

# $v_4(p_T)$ at mid-rapidity $|\eta| < 0.8$ cumulants



- Similar trend as  $v_2$ . The signal is sizable ( reaches  $\sim 6-7\%$ )
- $v_4\{3\}$  and  $v_4\{5\}$  comparable in magnitude

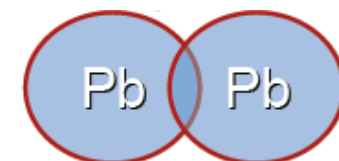
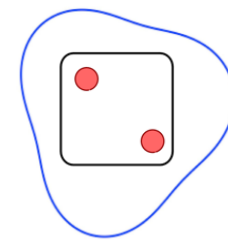
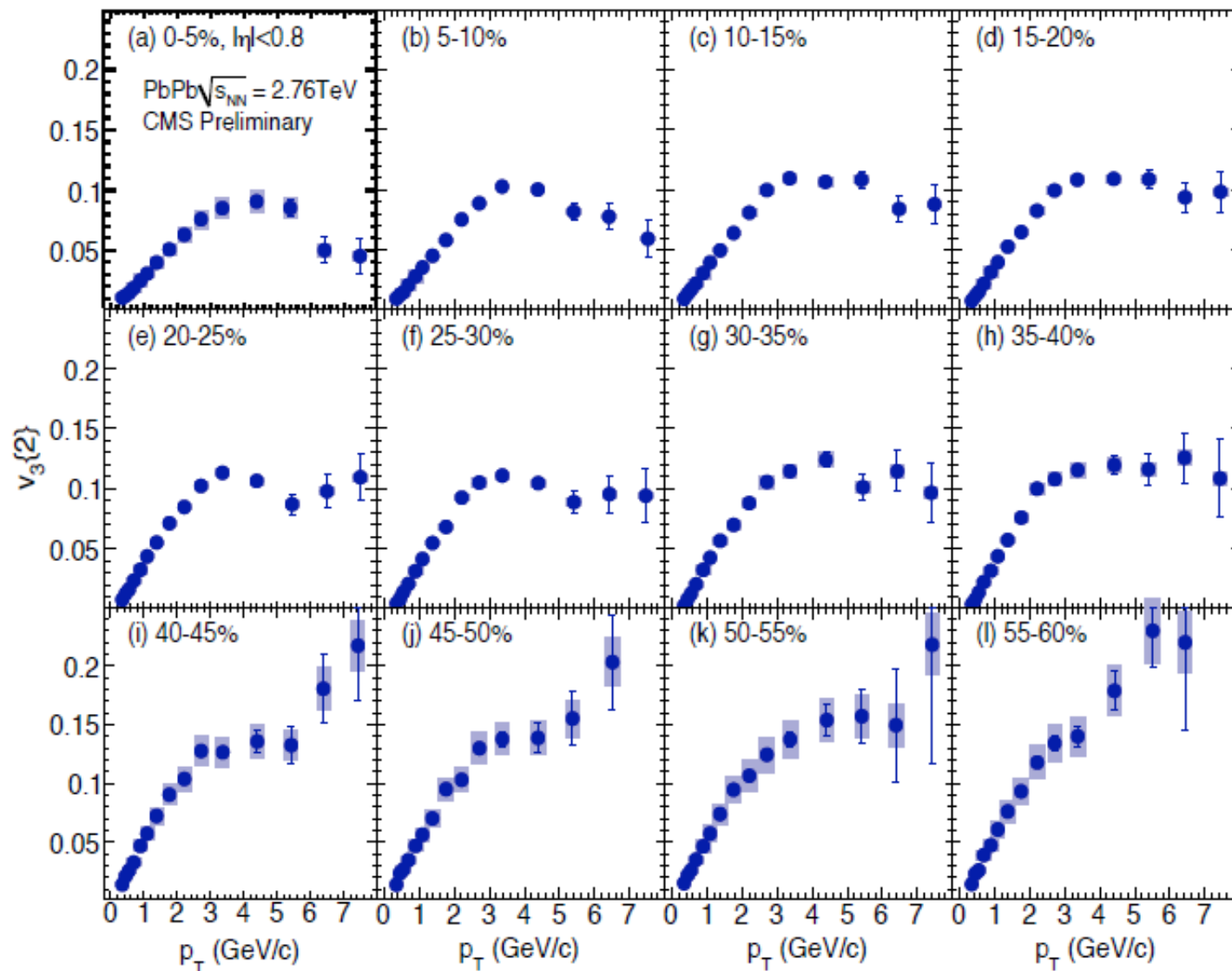
# LYZ $v_4$ and $v_6$ mid-rapidity $|\eta| < 0.8$



- $v_6$  (LYZ) is small but finite : reaches 2% in mid-central collisions



# $v_3(p_T)$ at mid-rapidity $|\eta| < 0.8$



- Sizable signal; weak centrality dependence
- $v_3$  at mid-rapidity driven by fluctuations

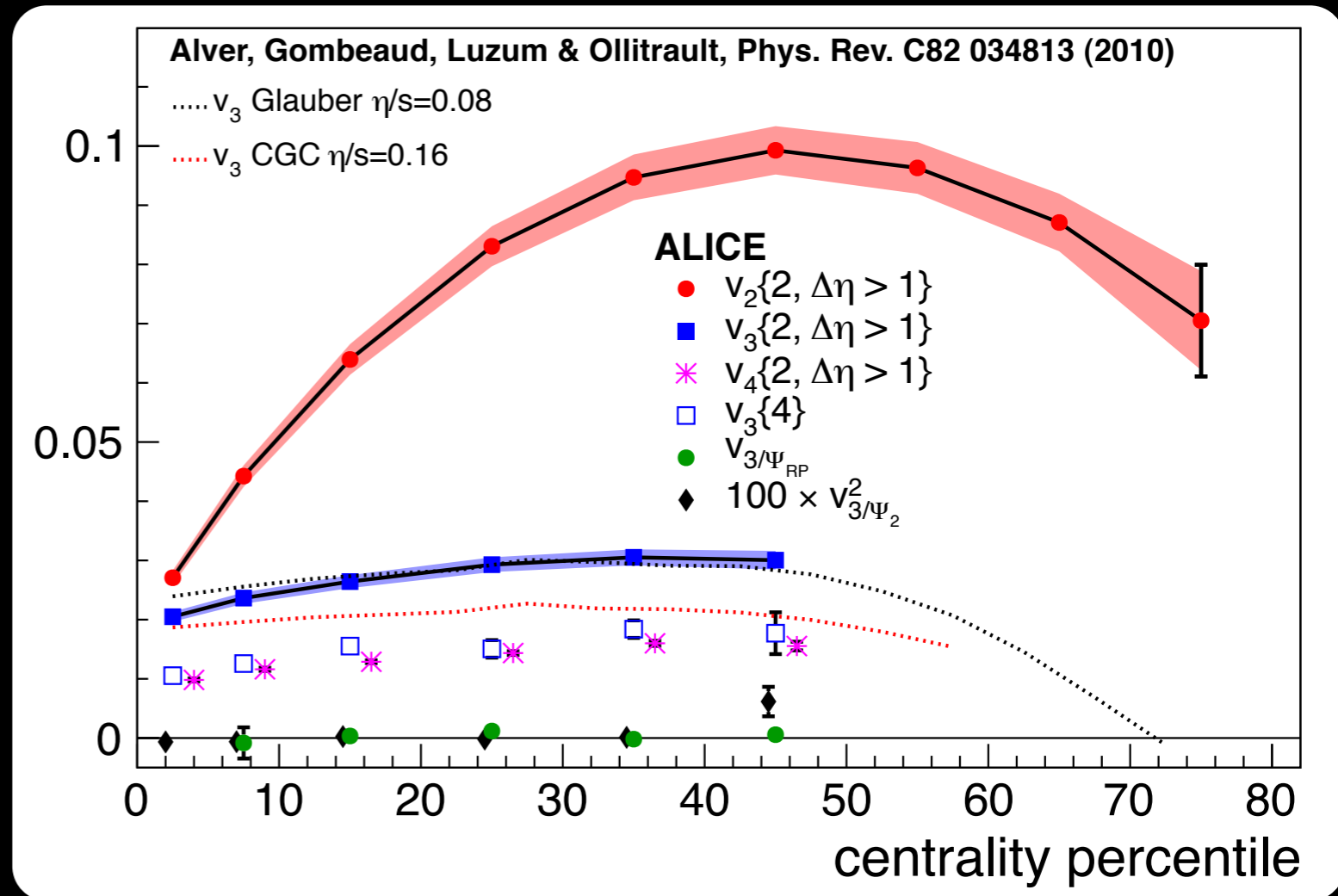


# Triangular Flow



We observe significant  $v_3$  which compared to  $v_2$  has a different centrality dependence

The centrality dependence and magnitude are similar to predictions for MC Glauber with  $\eta/s=0.08$  but above MC-KLN CGC with  $\eta/s=0.16$

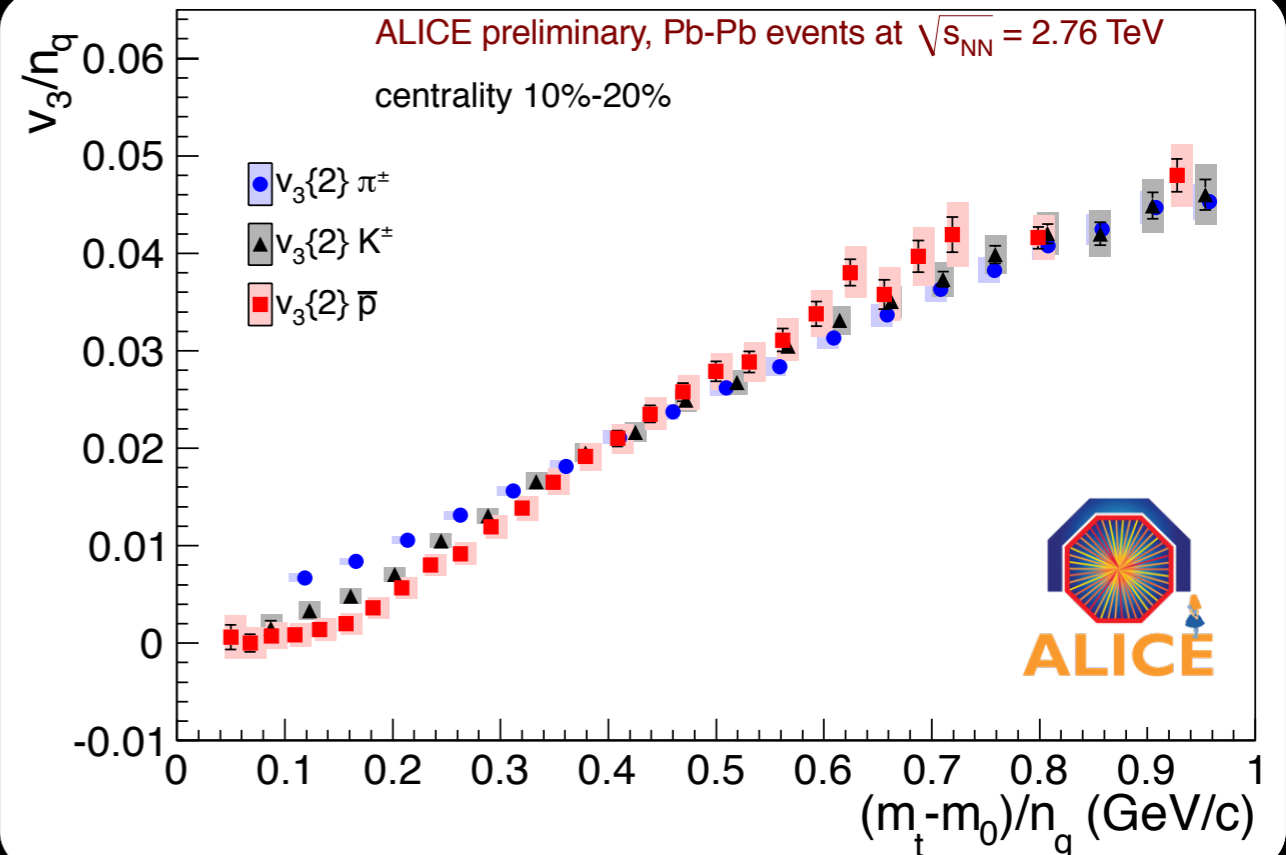
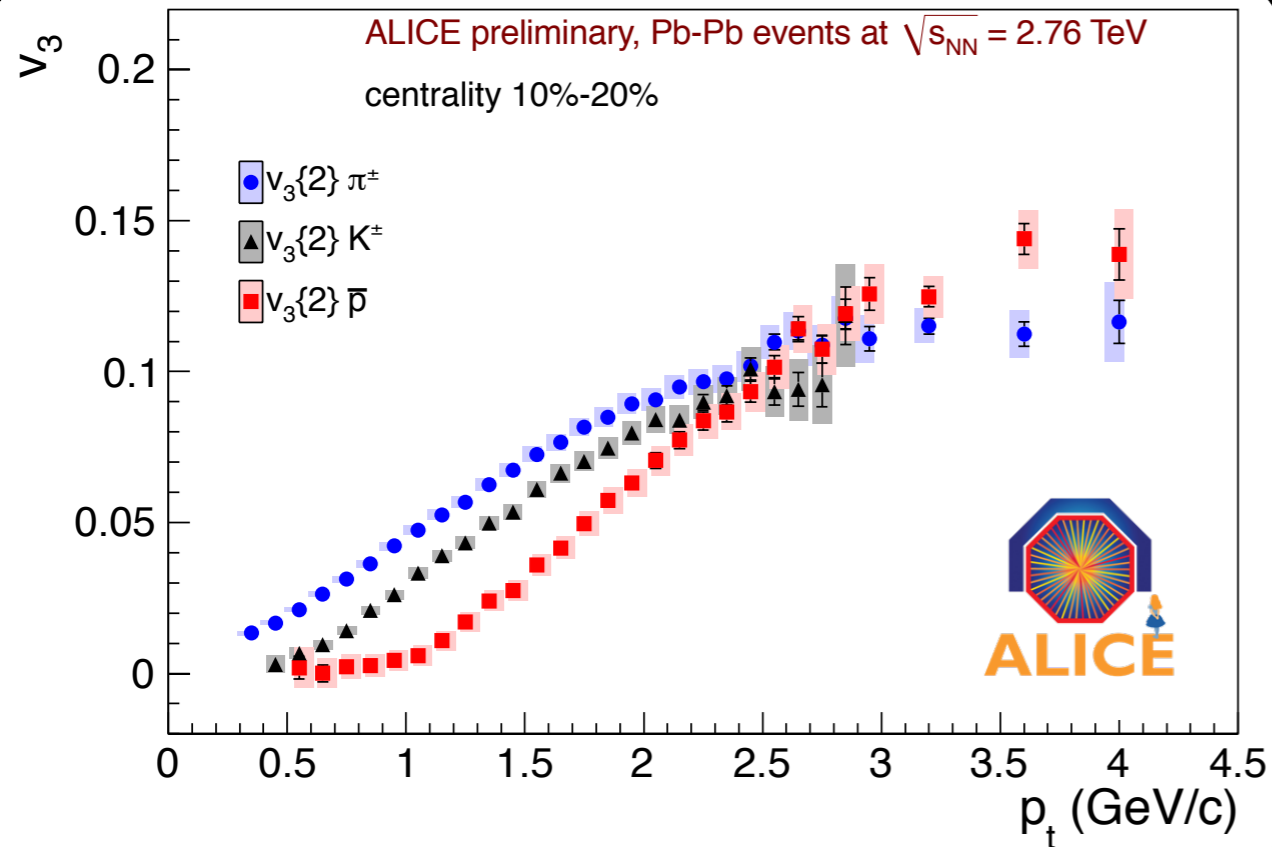


ALICE Collaboration, arXiv:1105.3865

The  $v_3$  with respect to the reaction plane determined in the ZDC and with the  $v_2$  participant plane is consistent with zero as expected if  $v_3$  is due to fluctuations of the initial eccentricity

The  $v_3\{2\}$  is about two times larger than  $v_3\{4\}$  which is also consistent with expectations based on initial eccentricity fluctuations

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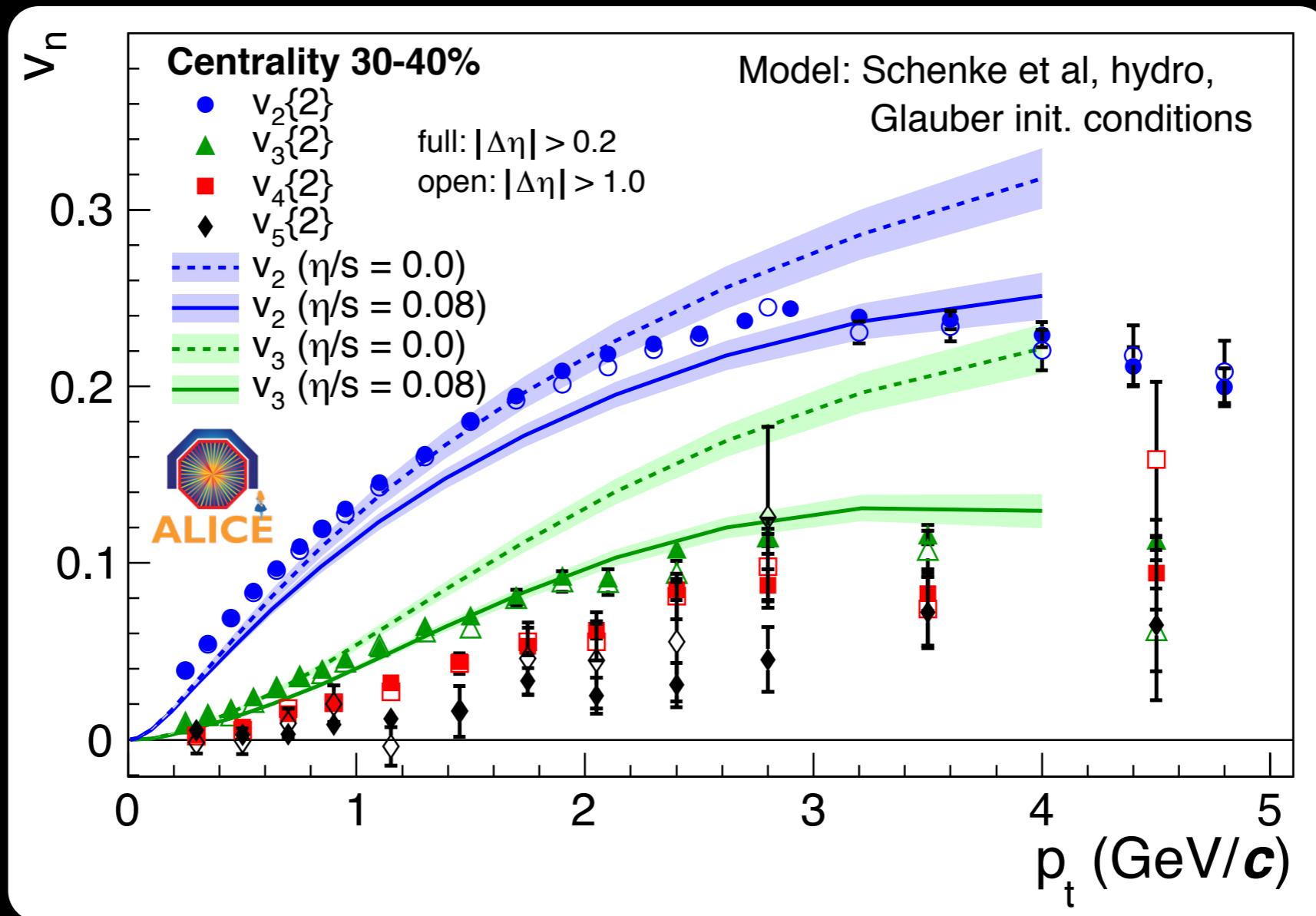


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The behavior of  $v_3$  as function of  $p_t$  for pions, Kaons and protons shows the same features as we already observed for  $v_2$

(we observe the mass splitting and, in addition, the crossing of the pions with protons at intermediate  $p_t$ , which for  $v_2$  was considered as a signature for coalescence/recombination)

# Other Harmonics

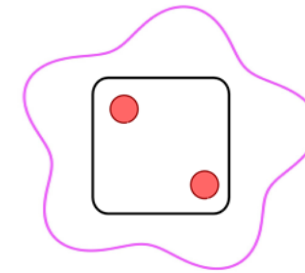
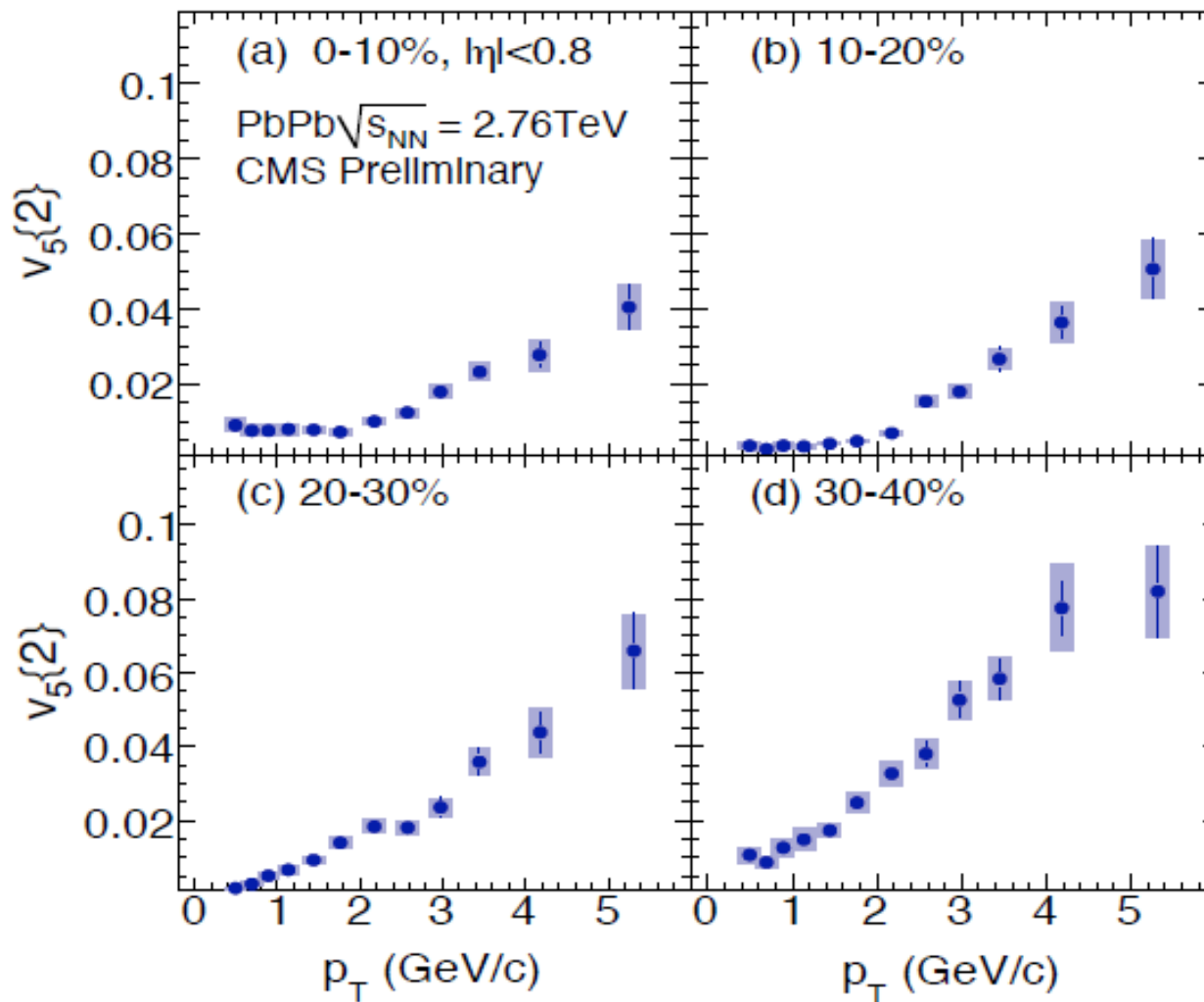


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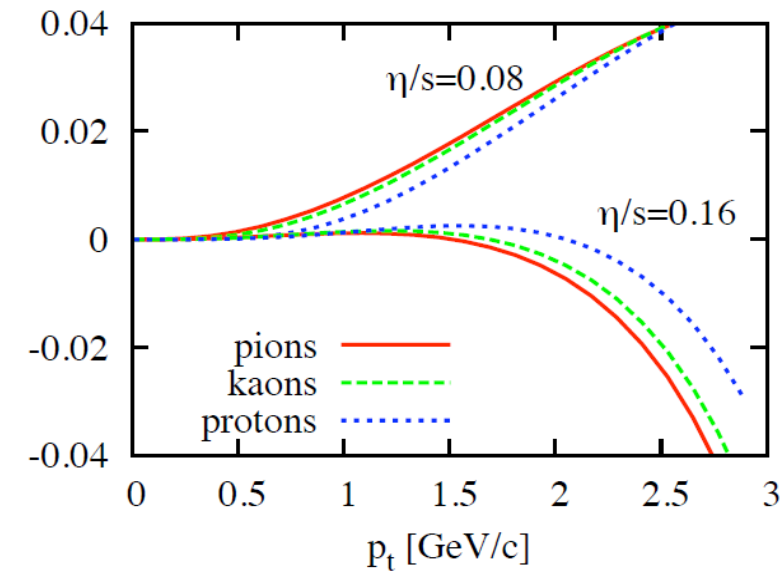
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The overall dependence of  $v_2$  and  $v_3$  is described  
However there is no simultaneous description with a single  $\eta/s$  of  $v_2$  and  $v_3$  for Glauber initial conditions

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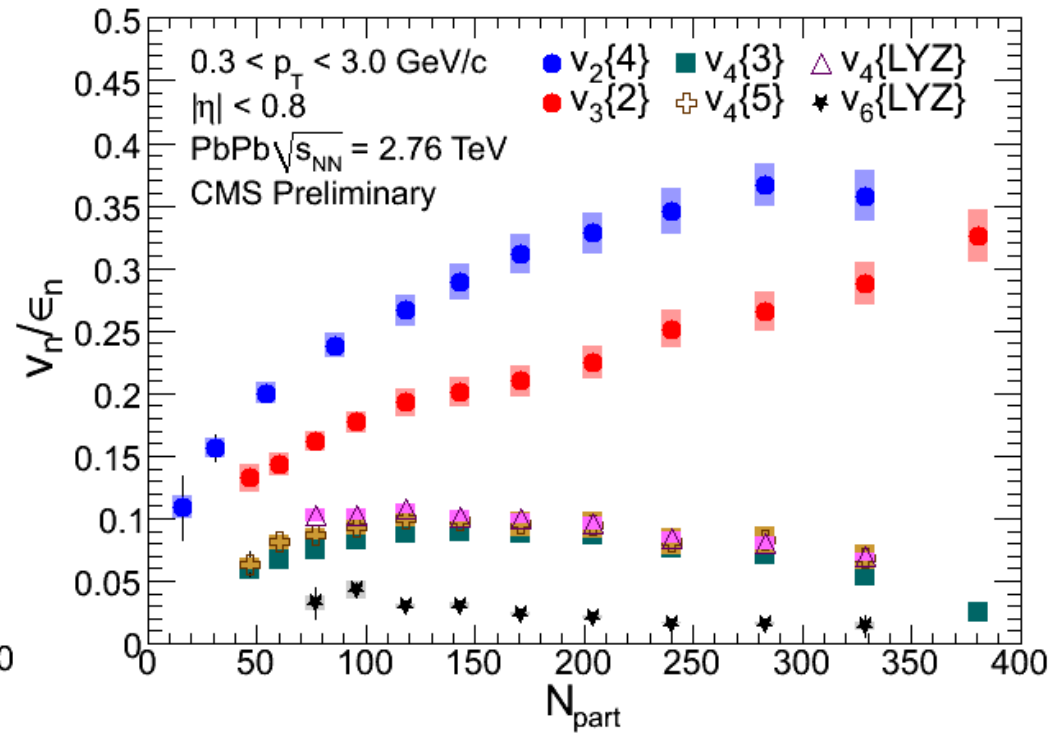
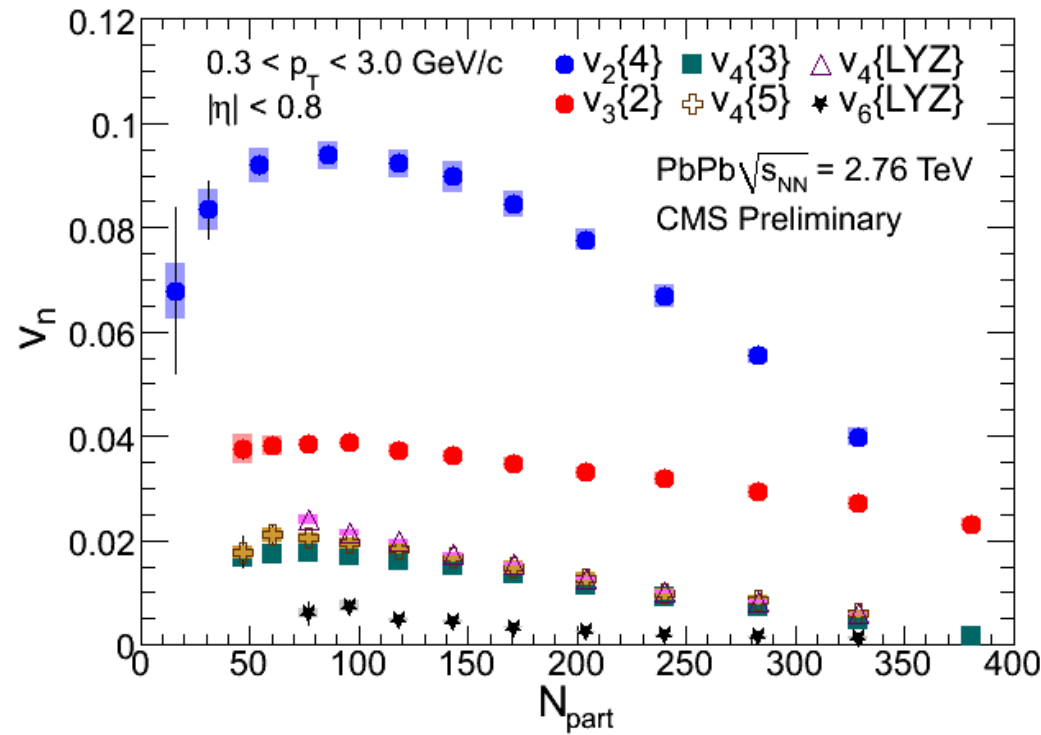


Alver et al Phys. Rev. C82 (2010) 034913  
Prediction for RHIC, 0-5% centrality

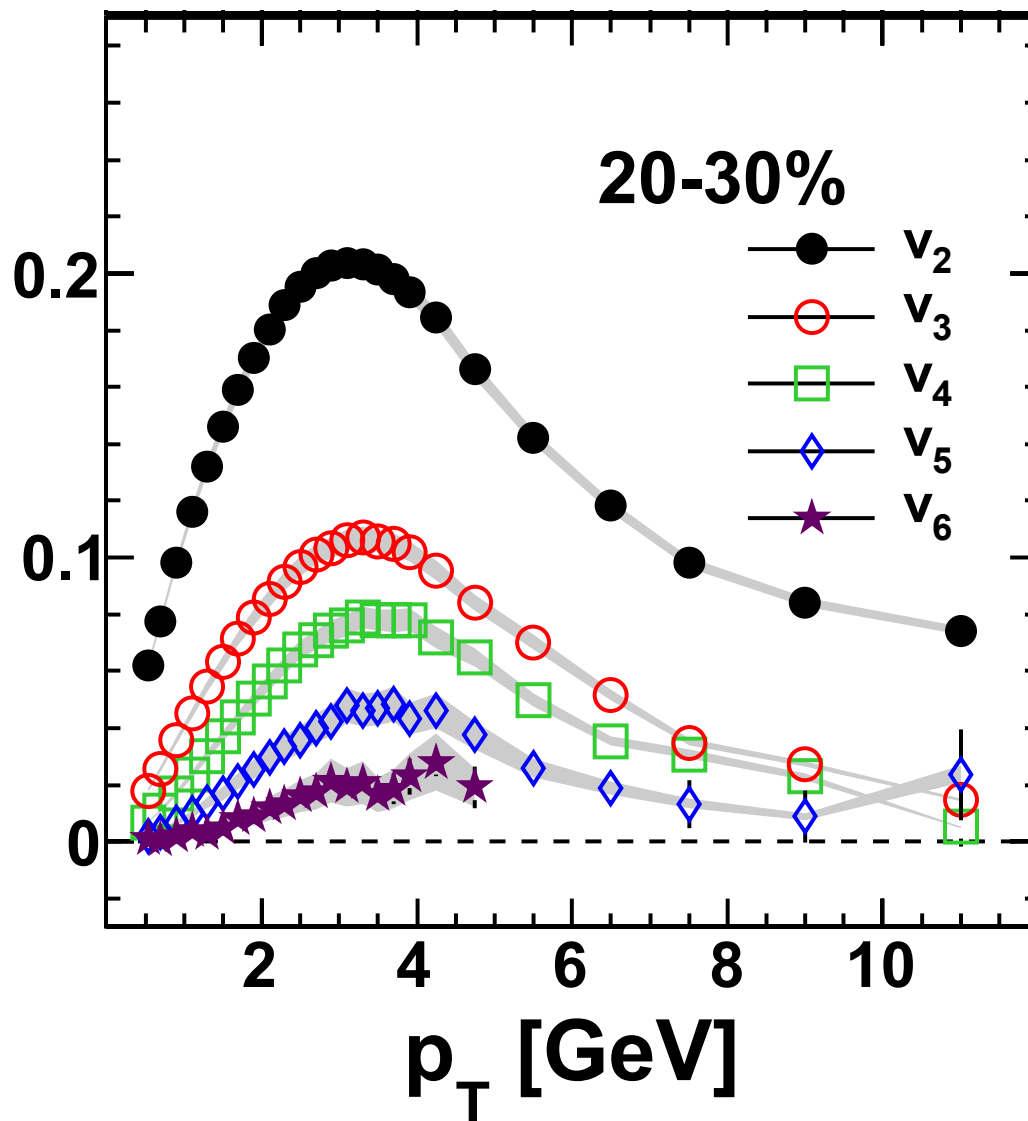


- $v_5$  rises quadratically with  $p_T$  in contrast with other flow harmonics

# The full harmonic spectrum



- $v_n$  vs  $N_{part}$  shows different trends:
  - **even harmonics** have similar centrality dependence:
    - decreasing  $\rightarrow 0$  with increasing  $N_{part}$
  - **$v_3$  has weak centrality** dependence, finite for central collisions

$v_n(n=2-6)$  vs  $p_T$  (0.5-12 GeV)

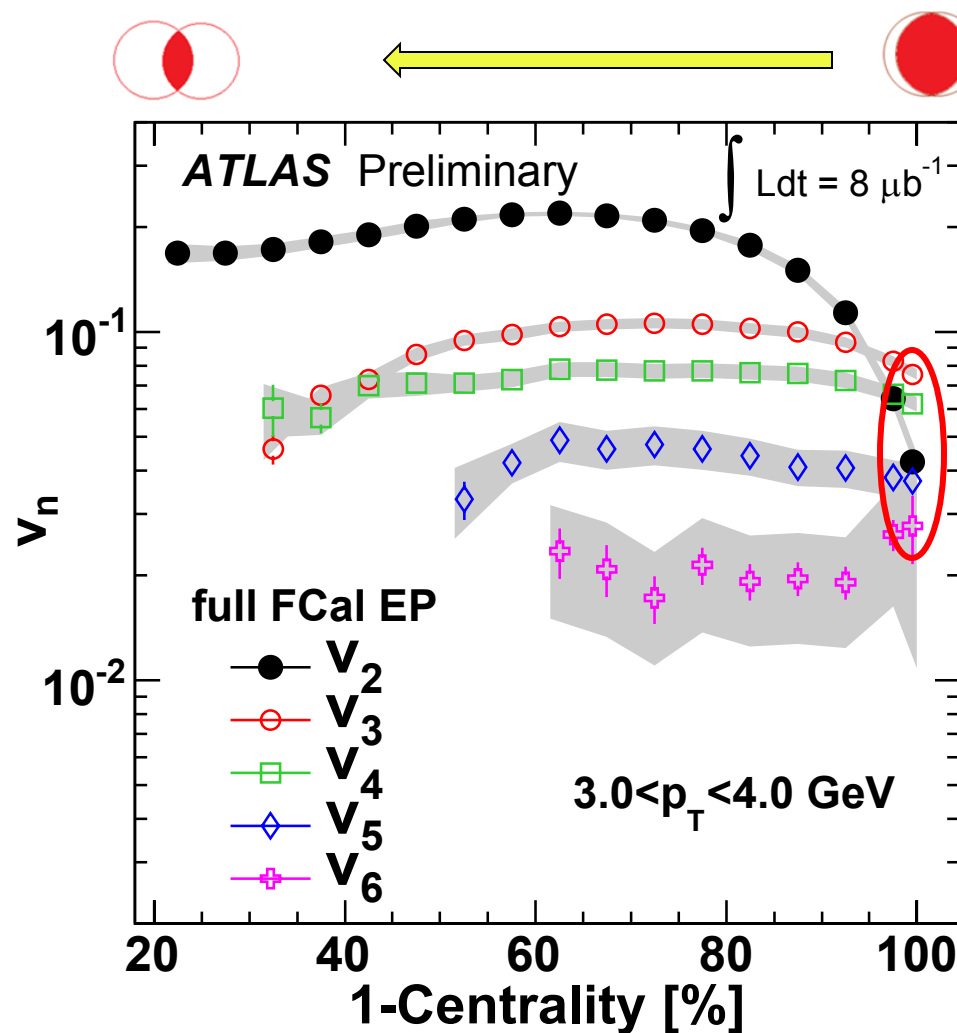
Similar  $p_T$  dependence for all  $n$ : rise to 3-4 GeV, then falls

# $v_n$ vs centrality

- Plot  $v_n$  ( $n=2-6$ ) vs centrality in 5% centrality steps plus a 0-1% most central bin (the right most point)

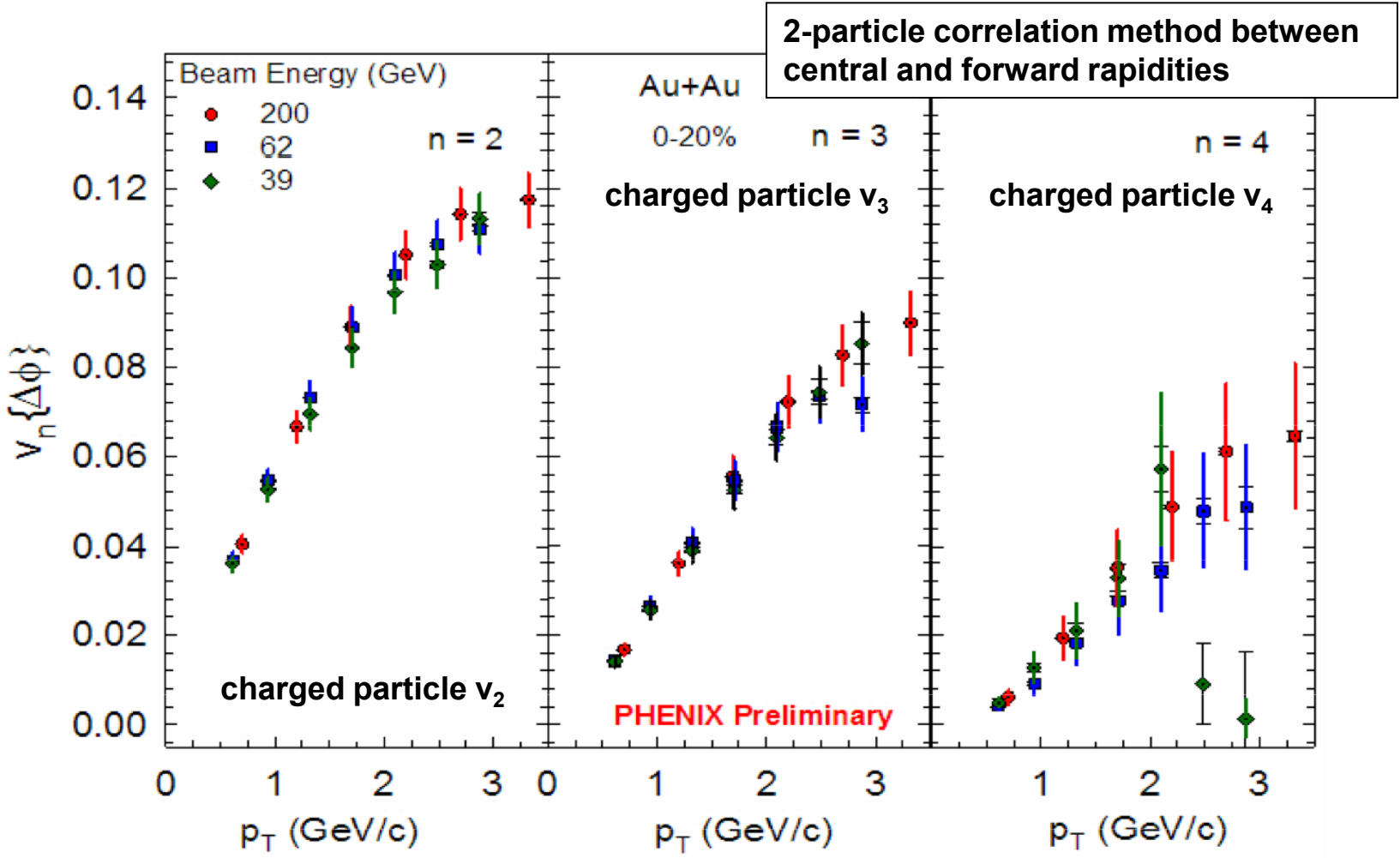
Rise to mid-centrality then falls; higher order  $v_n$  is flatter

$v_3, v_4$  even  $v_5$  exceed  $v_2$  at high  $p_T$  in most central collisions



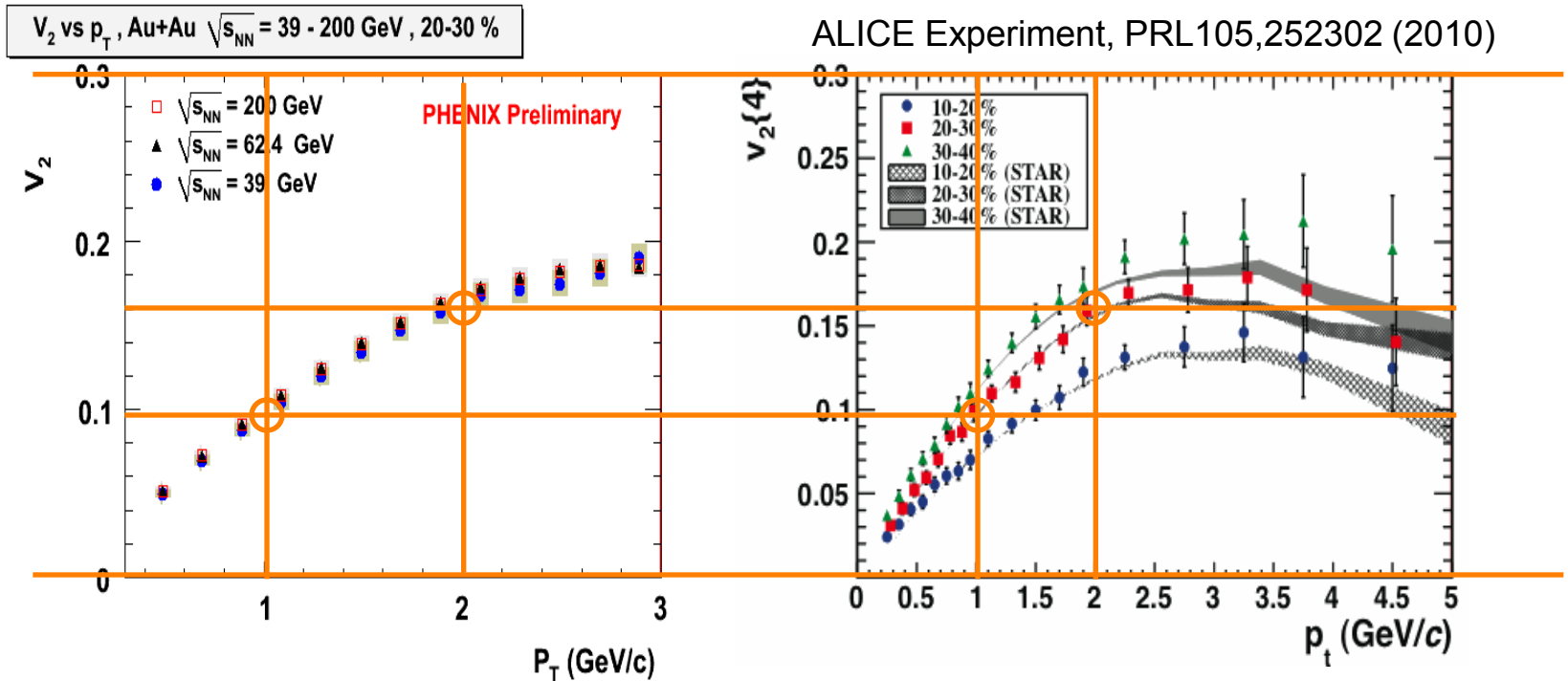


# Beam energy dependence 39/62/200GeV Au+Au



similar hydro-properties down to 39GeV

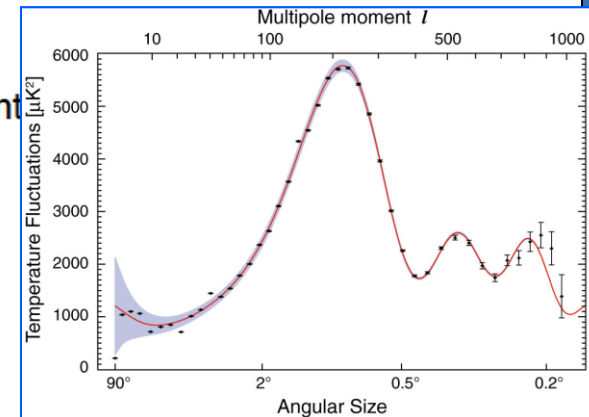
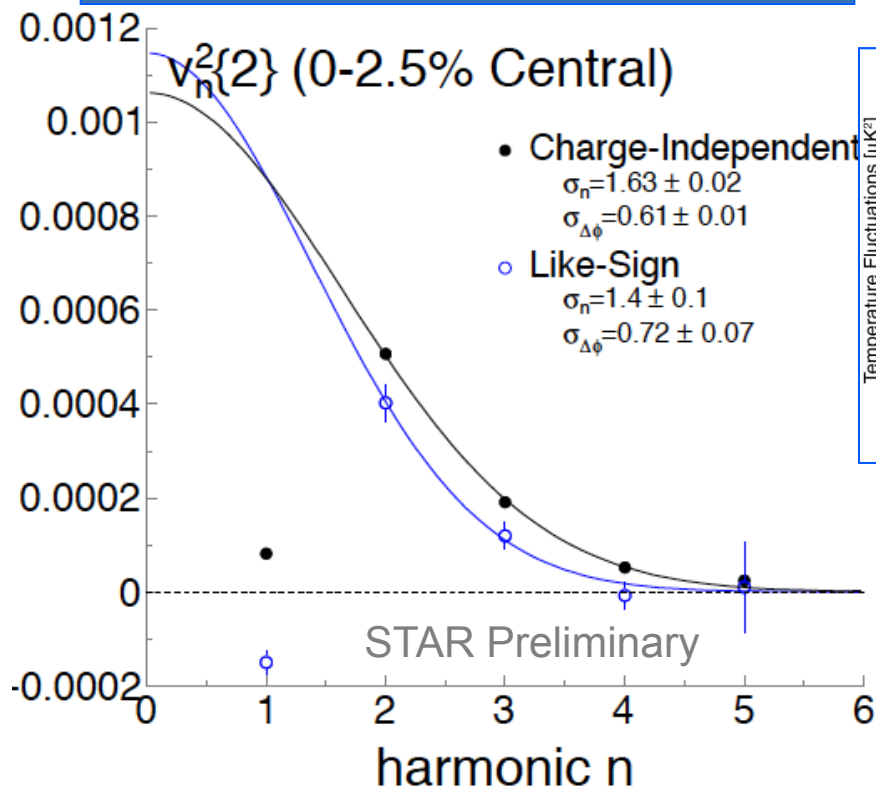
# Comparable $v_2$ vs $p_T$ from 39GeV to 2.76TeV



similar hydro-properties from 39GeV to 2.76TeV

# $v_n^2\{2\}$ vs $n$ for 0-2.5% Central

This is the Power Spectrum of Heavy-Ion Collisions



$|\eta| < 1$

$v_n\{4\}$  is zero for 0-2.5% central: look at  $v_2^2\{2\}$  vs  $n$  to extract the power spectrum in nearly symmetric collisions

Fit by a Gaussian except for  $n=1$ . The width can be related to length scales like mean free path, acoustic horizon,  $1/(2\pi T)$ ...

P. Staig and E. Shuryak, arXiv:1008.3139 [nucl-th]

A. Mocsy, P. S., arXiv:1008.3381 [hep-ph]

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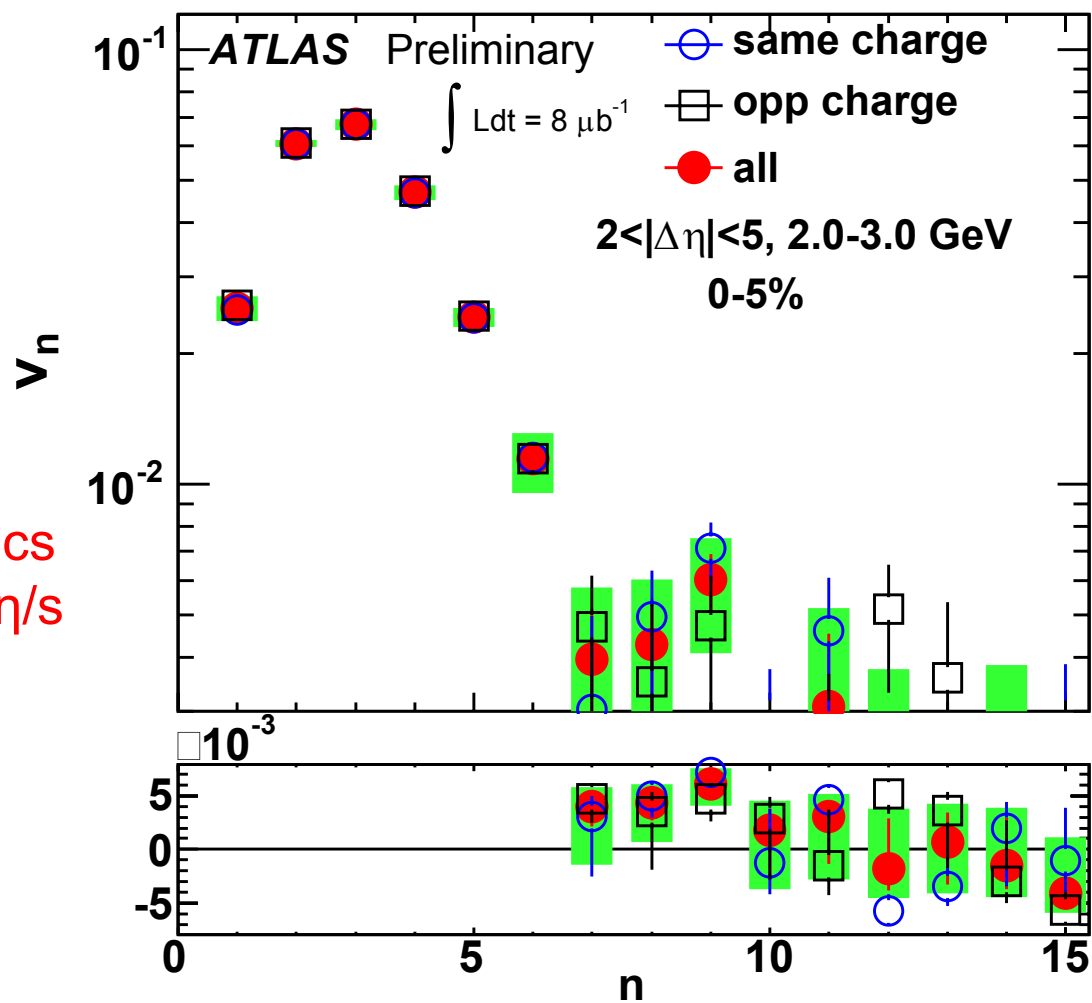
Integrates all  $\Delta\eta$  within acceptance: we can look more differentially to assess non-flow

# Power spectra in azimuth angle

- $v_n$  vs  $n$  for  $n=1-15$  in 0-5% most central collisions and 2.0-3.0 GeV

Significant  $v_2-v_6$  signal,  
higher order consistent with 0

Damping of higher order harmonics  
provides important constraint on  $\eta/s$



The error on  $v_n = \sqrt{v_{n,n}}$  is highly non-Gaussian

# Beyond Quasiparticles

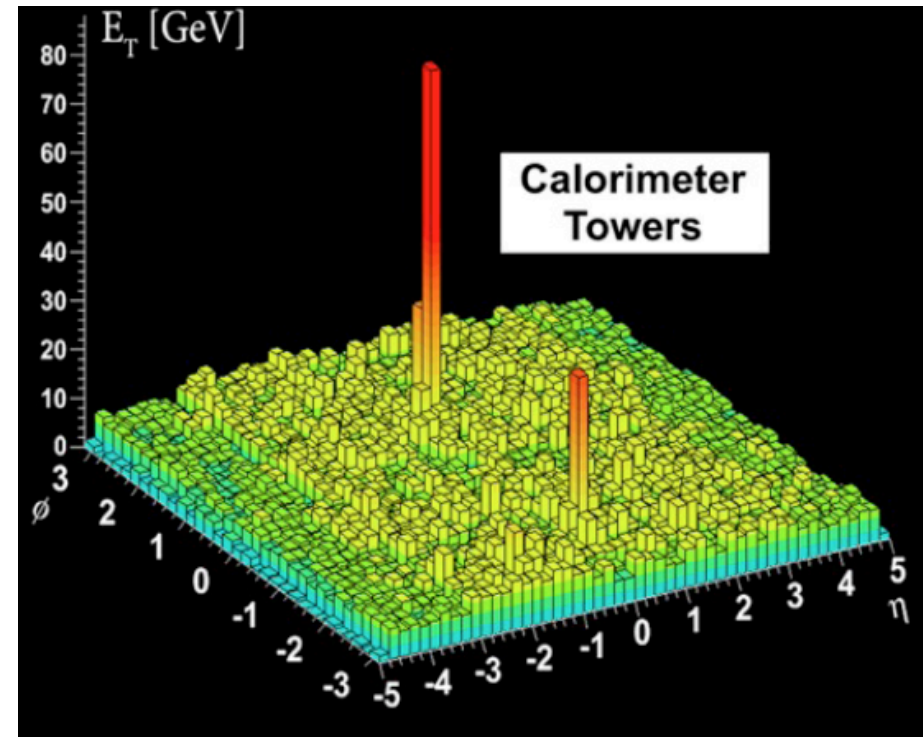
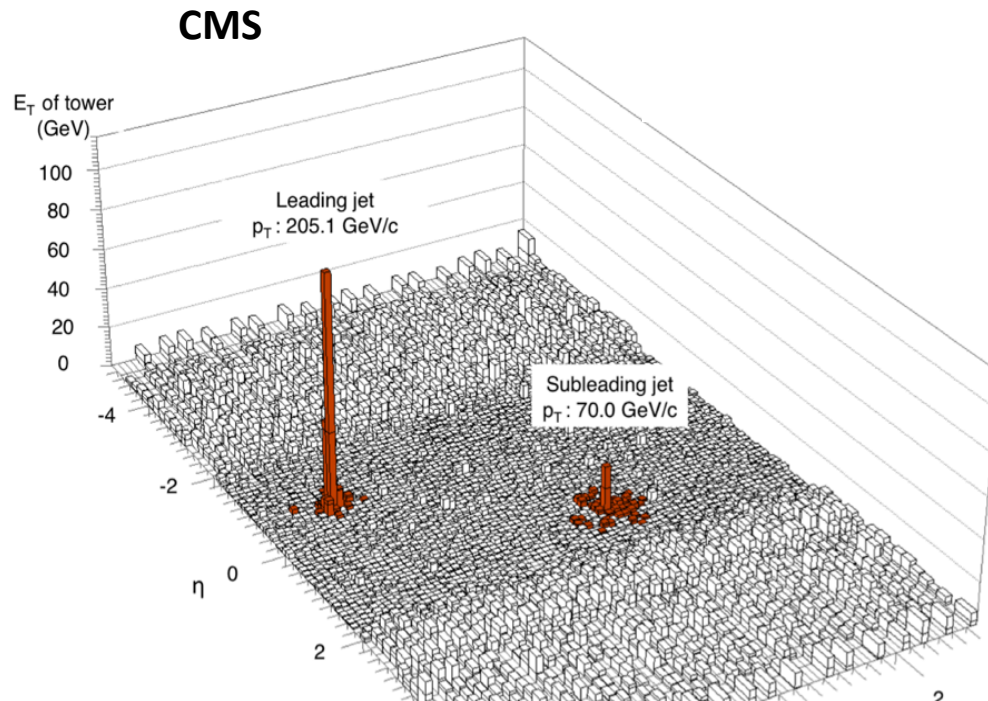
- QGP at RHIC & LHC, unitary Fermi “gas”, gauge theory plasmas with holographic descriptions are all strongly coupled fluids with no apparent quasiparticles.
- (In the case of the QGP, with  $\eta/s$  as small as it is there can be no ‘transport peak’, meaning no self-consistent description in terms of quark- and gluon-quasiparticles.)
- Other “fluids” with no quasiparticle description include: the “strange metals” (including high- $T_c$  superconductors above  $T_c$ ); quantum spin liquids; matter at quantum critical points;... *The* grand challenges at the frontiers of condensed matter physics today.
- Emerging hints of how to look at matter in which quasiparticles have disappeared and quantum entanglement is enhanced: “many-body physics through a gravitational lens.” Black hole descriptions of liquid QGP and strange metals are continuously related! But, this lens is at present still somewhat cloudy...

# A Grand Challenge

- How can we clarify the understanding of fluids without quasiparticles, whose nature is a central mystery in so many areas of science?
- We have two big advantages: (i) direct experimental access to the fluid of interest without extraneous degrees of freedom; (ii) weakly-coupled quark and gluon quasiparticles at short distances.
- We can quantify the properties and dynamics of Liquid QGP at its natural length scales, where it has no quasiparticles.
- Can we probe, quantify and understand Liquid QGP at *short distance scales*, where it is made of quark and gluon quasiparticles? See *how* the strongly coupled fluid emerges from well-understood quasiparticles at short distances.
- The LHC offers new probes and opens new frontiers.

# Jet Quenching at the LHC

ATLAS



A very large effect at the LHC, immediately apparent in single events. 200 GeV jet back-to-back with a 70 GeV jet. Strongly coupled plasma. Strong jet quenching not a surprise...

# A Surprise...

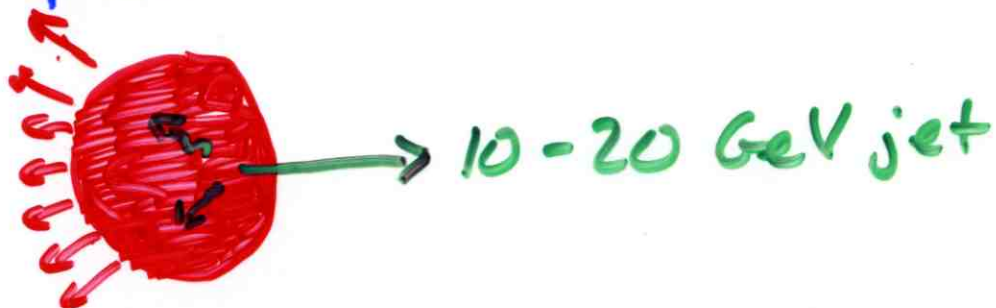
CMS arXiv:1102.1957; ATLAS & CMS @ QM2011

- The 70 GeV jet looks like a 70 GeV jet in pp collisions. Same fragmentation function; same angular distribution. The “missing” 130 GeV of energy is *not* in the form of a spray of softer particles in and around the jet.
- Contradicts the many pre-LHC analyses of jet quenching built upon a picture of a hard parton losing energy by radiating nearly collinear gluons. In such a picture, if a 70 GeV jet gets out it must be surrounded by at least some of its debris.
- Also, 70 GeV jet seems to be back-to-back with the 200 GeV jet; no sign of transverse kick.
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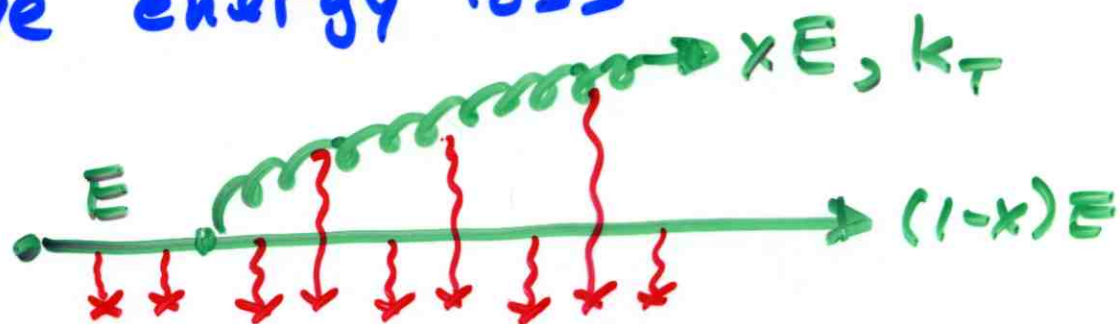


# JET QUENCHING

Further evidence that QGP@RHIC is strongly coupled.



Radiative energy loss



dominates in high E limit. ( $E \gg k_T \gg T$ )

If so (RHIC? LHC?), energy loss sensitive to medium through one parameter  $\hat{q}$ ,  $k_T^2$  picked up by radiated gluon per distance L travelled.

Spectrum of radiated gluons:  $\omega \frac{dI}{d\omega} \sim \alpha \sqrt{\frac{\hat{q}}{\omega}} L$

Energy loss  $\Delta E \sim \alpha \hat{q} L^2$

for  $\omega < \hat{q} L^2$

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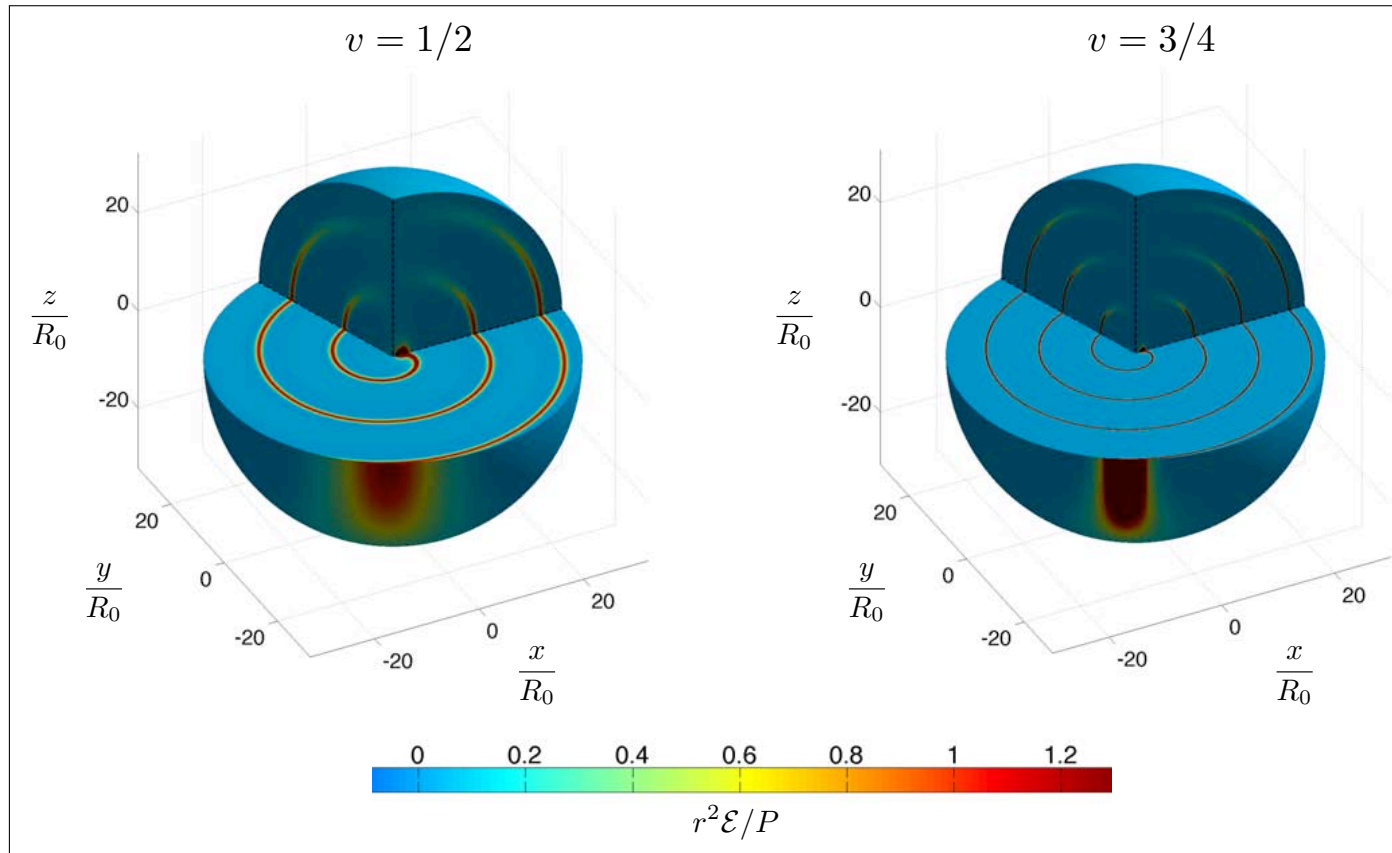
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- **As if an initially-200-GeV jet just heats the plasma it passes through (“makes a little extra plasma”), losing energy without spreading in angle.**
- **Conventional picture of jet quenching, based on weakly coupled intuition, not valid or needs modification? Are even 200 GeV partons not “seeing” the quasiparticles at short distances?**
- **We need<sup>†</sup> a strongly coupled approach to jet quenching, even if just as a foil with which to develop new intuition.**
- **Problem: jet production is a weakly-coupled phenomenon. There is no way to make jets in the strongly coupled theories with gravity duals.**
- **But we can make a beam of gluons...**

<sup>†</sup>**But, I’m hedging my bets. See Lekaveckas’ talk on Thursday for our work deploying SCET within the conventional picture of jet quenching.**

# Synchrotron Radiation in Strongly Coupled Gauge Theories

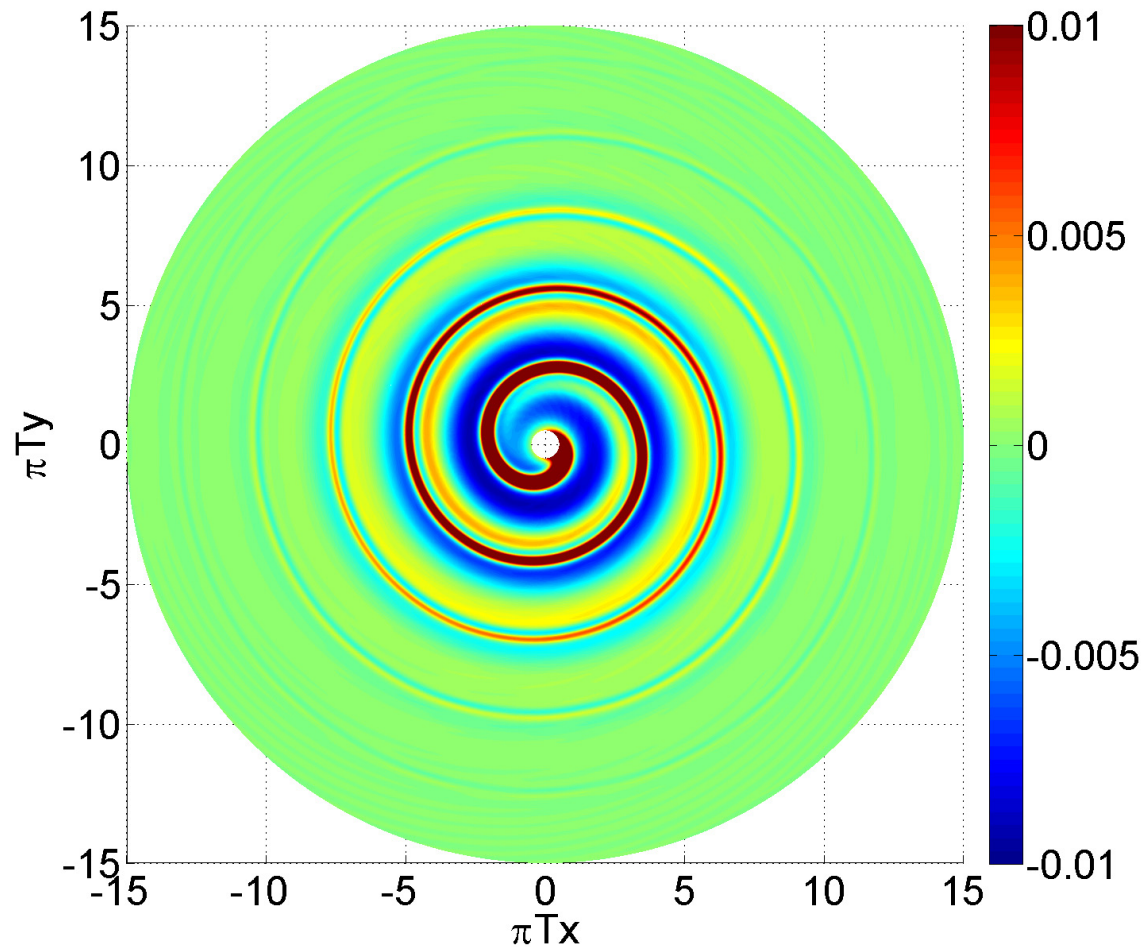
Athanasίου, Chesler, Liu, Nickel, Rajagopal; arXiv:1001.3880



Fully quantum mechanical calculation of gluon radiation from a rotating quark in a strongly coupled large  $N_c$  non abelian gauge theory, done via gauge/gravity duality. “Lighthouse beam” of synchrotron radiation. Surprisingly similar to classical electrodynamics. Now, shine this beam through strongly coupled plasma...

# Quenching a Synchrotron Beam

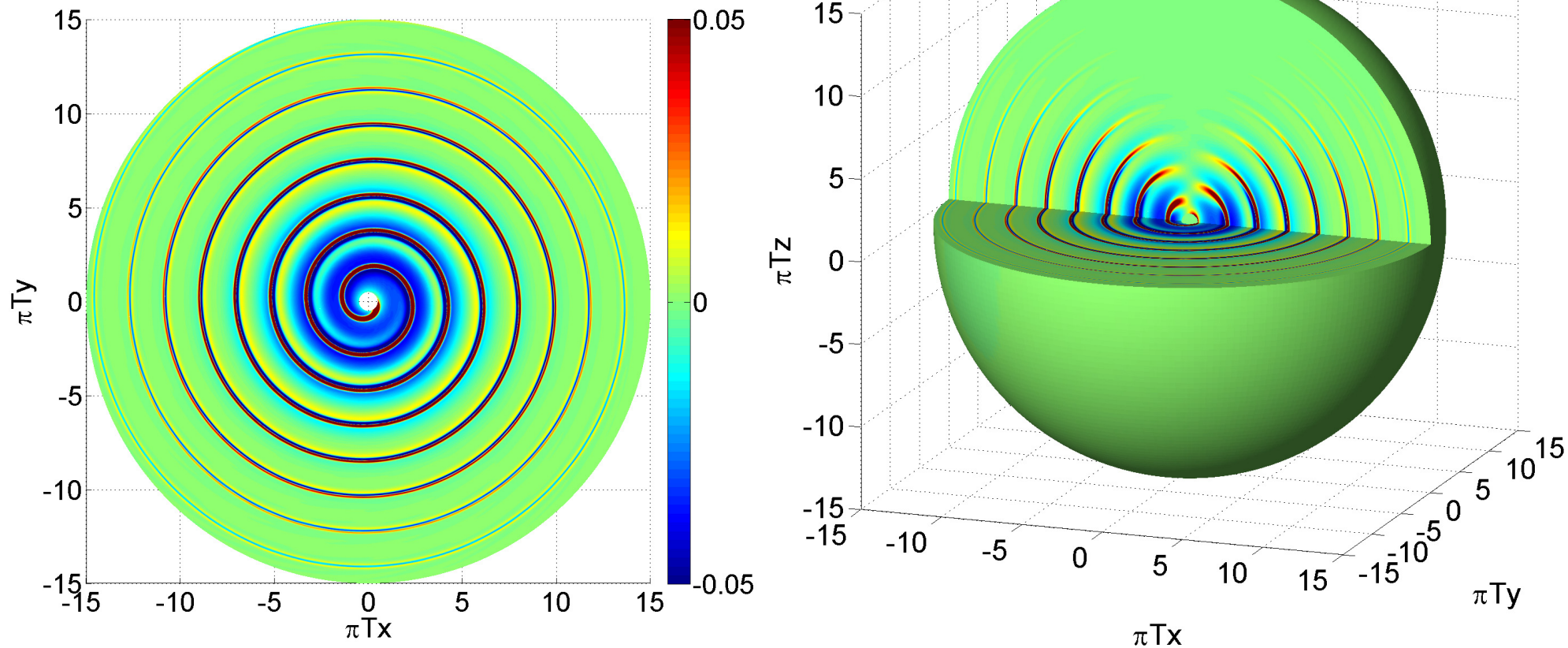
Chesler, Ho, Rajagopal; preliminary



Quark in circular motion ( $v = 0.34$ ;  $R\pi T = 0.15$ ) through the strongly coupled plasma radiates synchrotron radiation that dissipates, and heats the plasma behind it.

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Chesler, Ho, Rajagopal; preliminary



**This time,  $v = 0.5 \rightarrow$  higher energy gluon beam. Dissipates without spreading in angle. No sign of spreading of the angular extent of the beam in either azimuthal or polar angle.**

# Jet Quenching in Liquid QGP

- We're back at the blind-folk and the elephant stage.
- A beam of gluons loses its energy by heating the strongly coupled plasma it propagates through, not by spreading. At least reminiscent of jet quenching at the LHC.
- Pre-equilibrium parton energy loss may be important.
- If a high energy jet does not “see” the short-distance quasiparticles, perhaps quarkonia or photons will.
- Upsilon's have the virtue of being small...
- At some short length scale, a quasiparticulate picture of the QGP must be valid, even though on its natural length scales it is a strongly coupled fluid. It will be a challenge to see and understand *how* the liquid QGP emerges from short-distance quark and gluon quasiparticles.

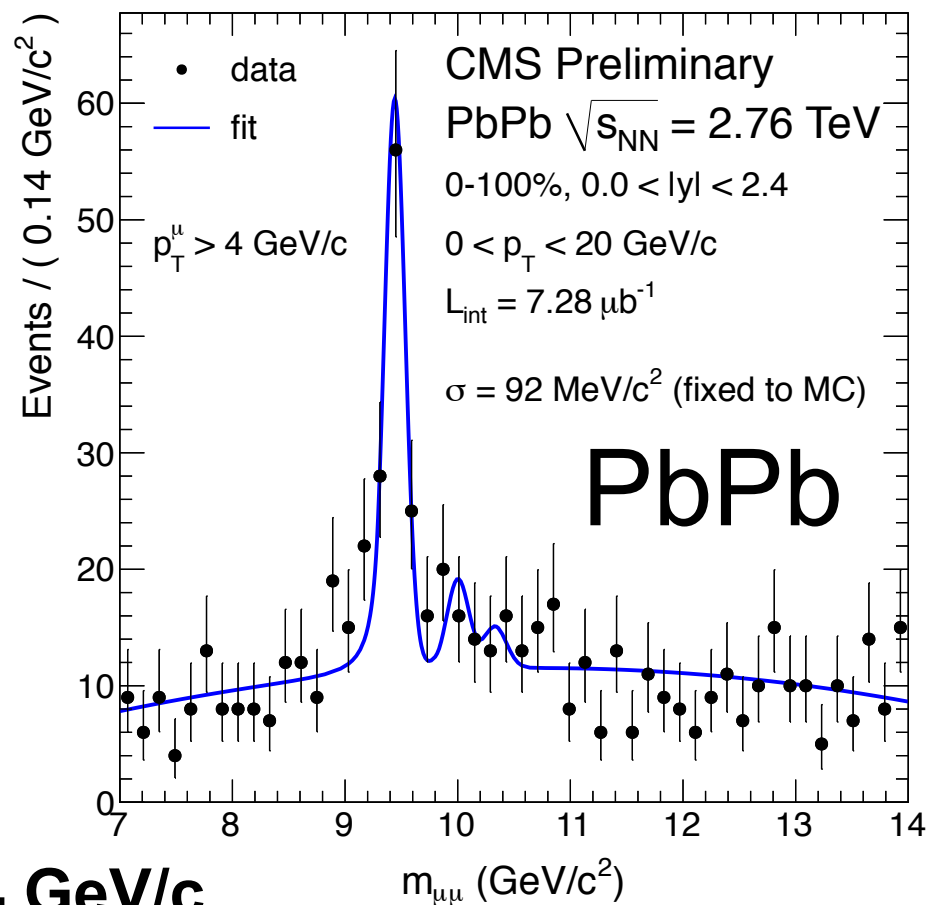
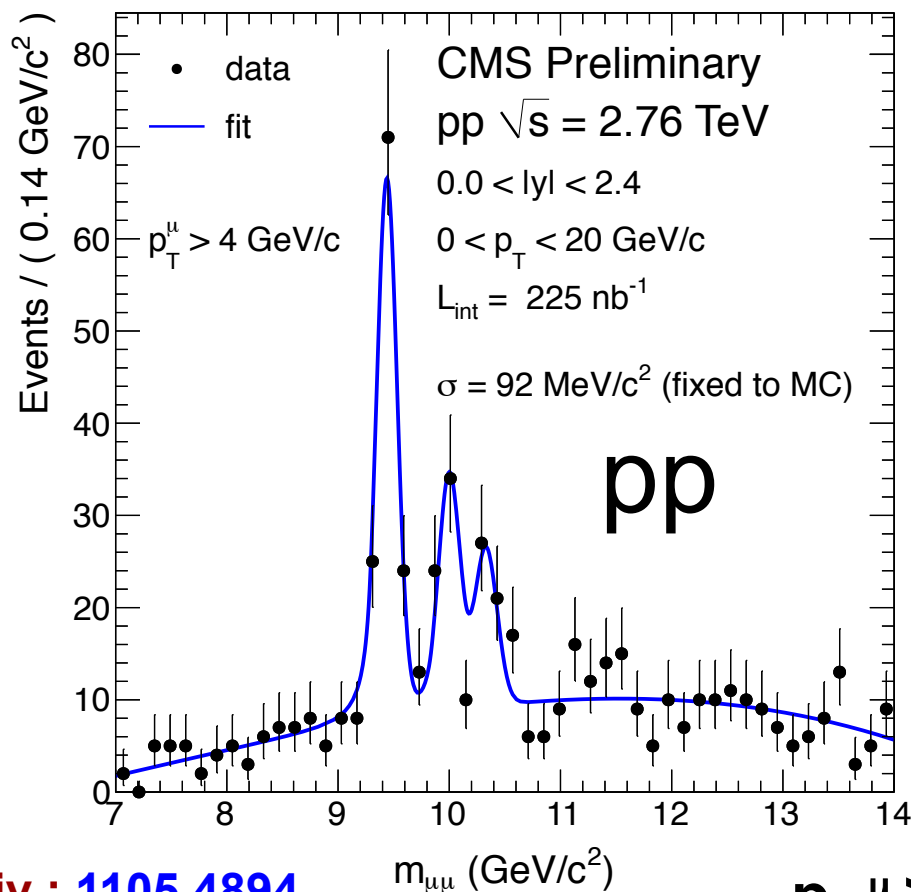
# Heavy quarks?

- In strongly coupled plasmas with gravitational descriptions, heavy quarks lose energy according to  $\frac{dp}{dt} = -F(v)$ . The force  $F$  depends on  $v$  but is independent of the heavy quark mass  $M$ . Herzog et al; Gubser; Casalderrey-Solana, Teaney
- Similar behavior in these theories and in the strongly coupled plasma of QCD. Chesler, Yaffe; Neufeld, Muller, Ruppert
- Distinctive predictions for experiment, once  $b$  and  $c$  quarks can be separated, from the prediction of same energy loss for  $b$  and  $c$  quarks *with the same  $v$* . Horowitz, Gyulassy
- If these predictions are confirmed by experiment, it means that the heavy quarks are not behaving like objects of size  $1/M$ ; they are dressing themselves up (with fields) until they have a larger,  $M$ -independent, size. Heavy quarks can't "see" short-distance quasiparticles.
- Upsilon's have the virtue of being small, and color-singlet.



# $\Upsilon(2S+3S)$ Suppression PbPb

$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$  TeV



$p_T^\mu > 4$  GeV/c

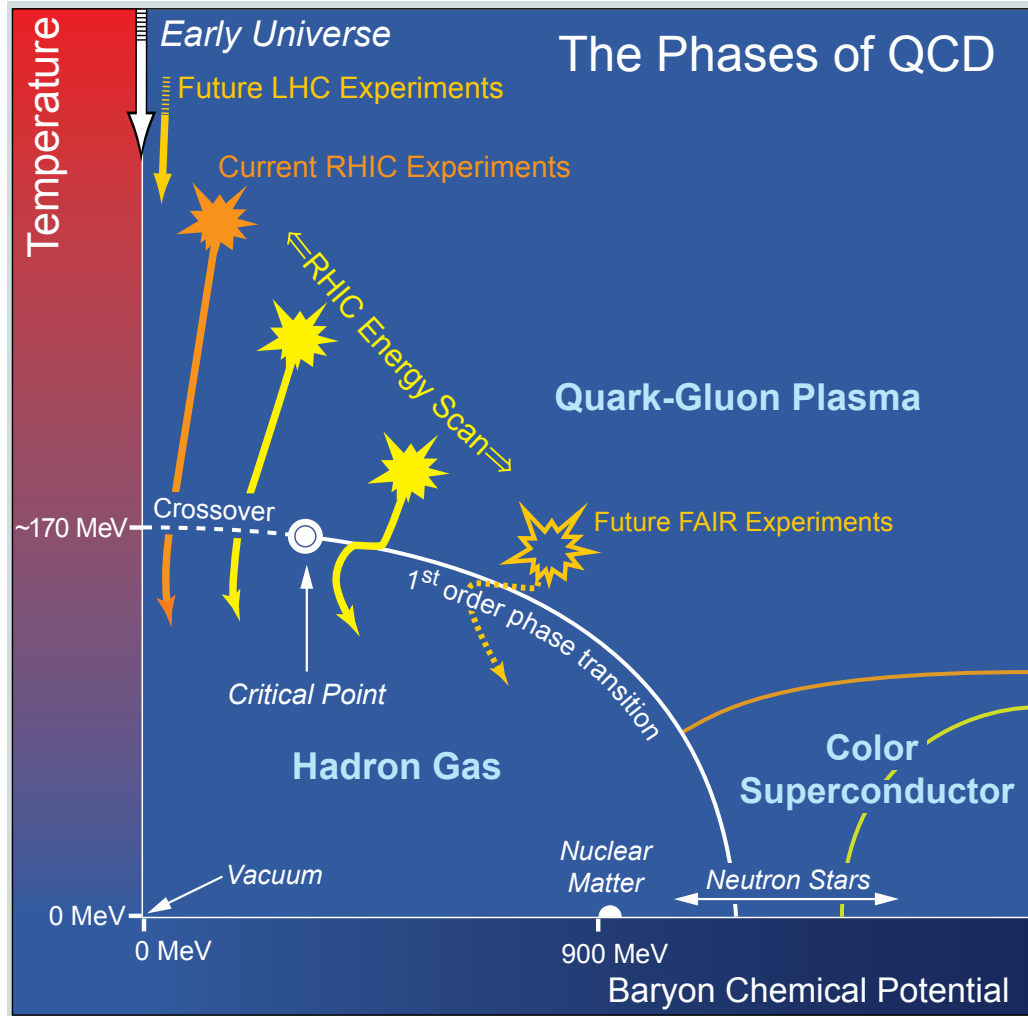
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Submitted to PRL

- $\Upsilon(2S+3S)$  production relative to  $\Upsilon(1S)$  in pp and PbPb
- Compare pp and PbPb through a simultaneous fit

# A Grand Challenge

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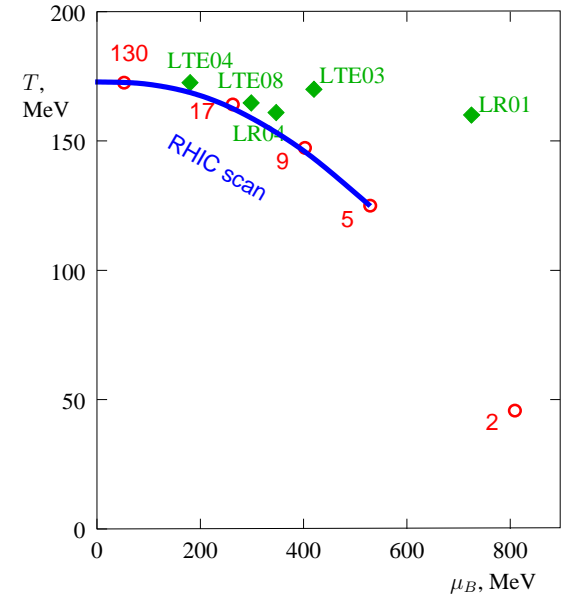
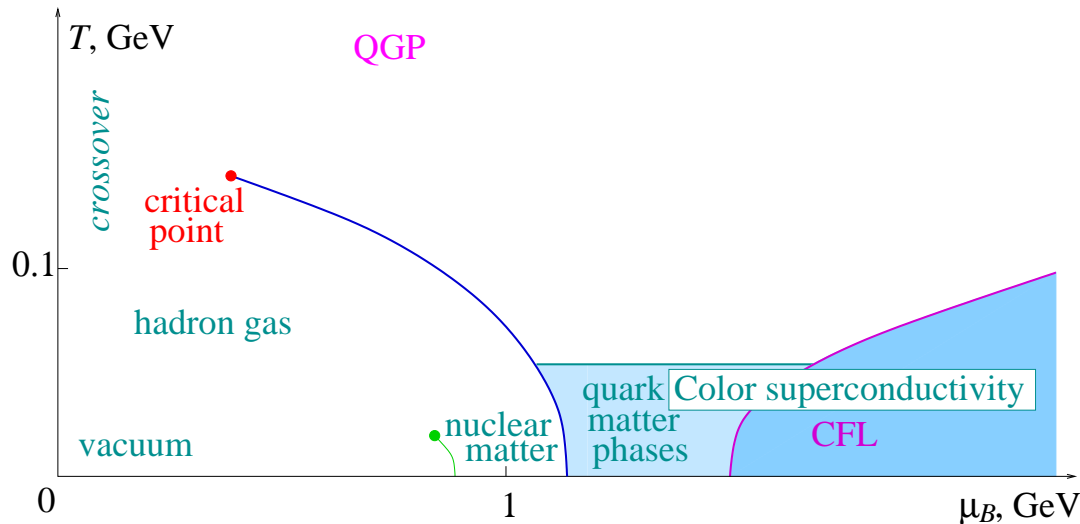
# Seeking the QCD Critical Point



2007 NSAC Long Range Plan

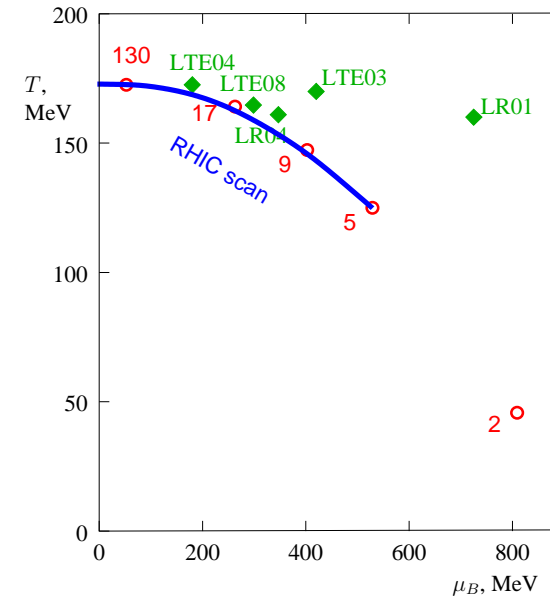
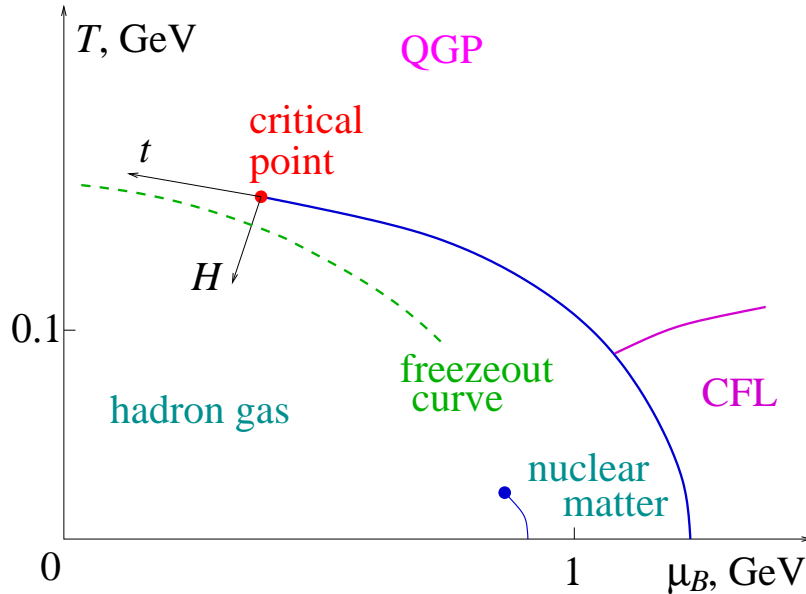
Another grand challenge... Data from first phase of RHIC Energy Scan in 2011. And, a theory development...

# QCD phase diagram, critical point and RHIC



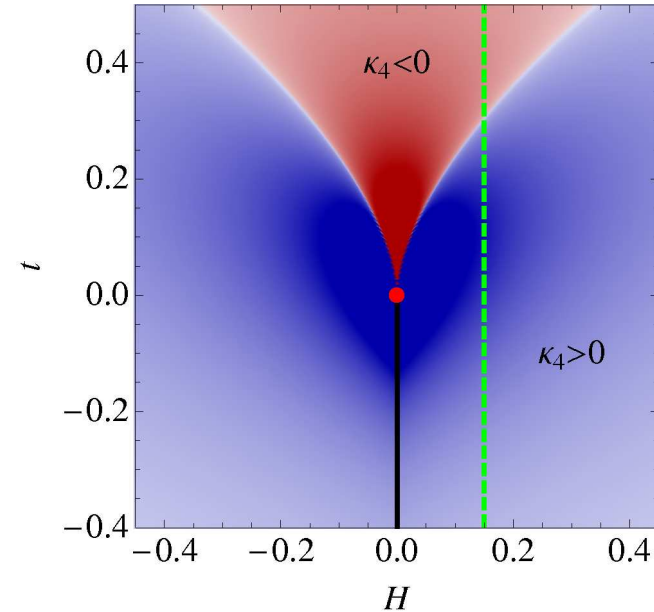
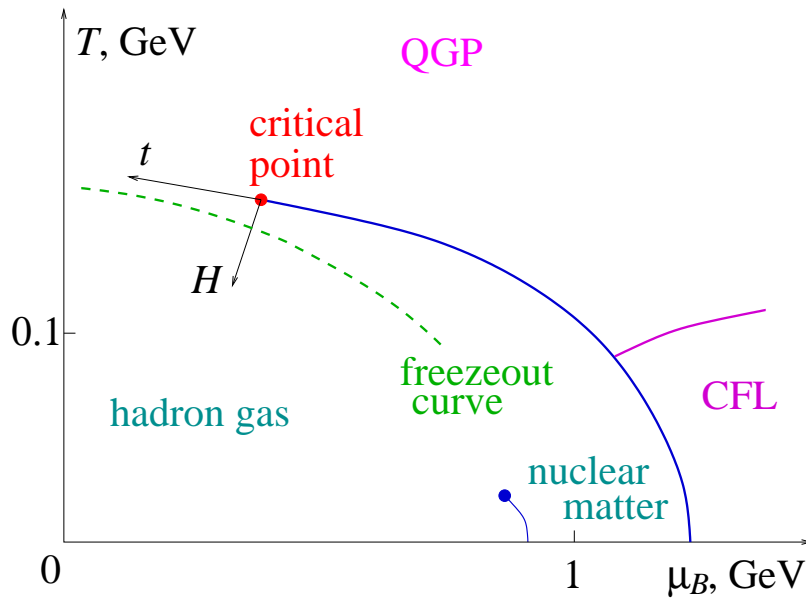
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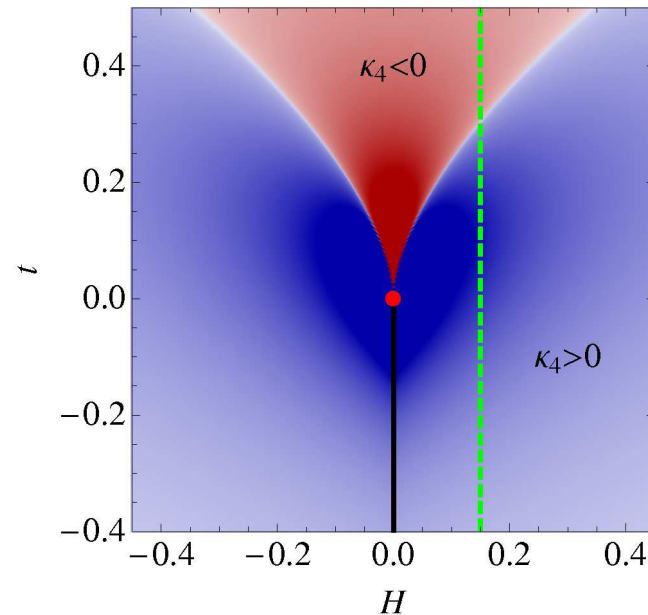
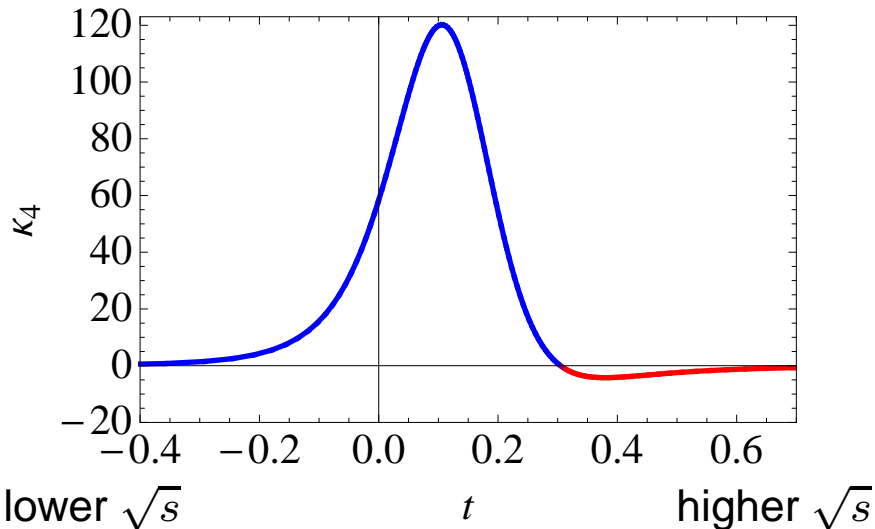
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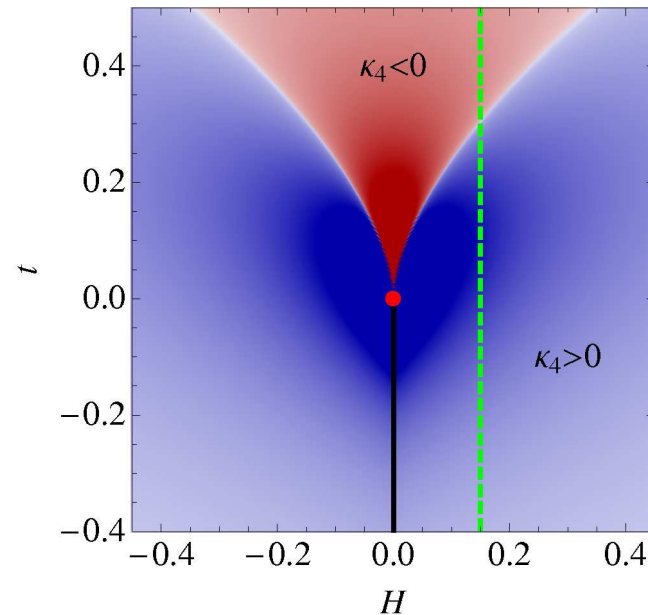
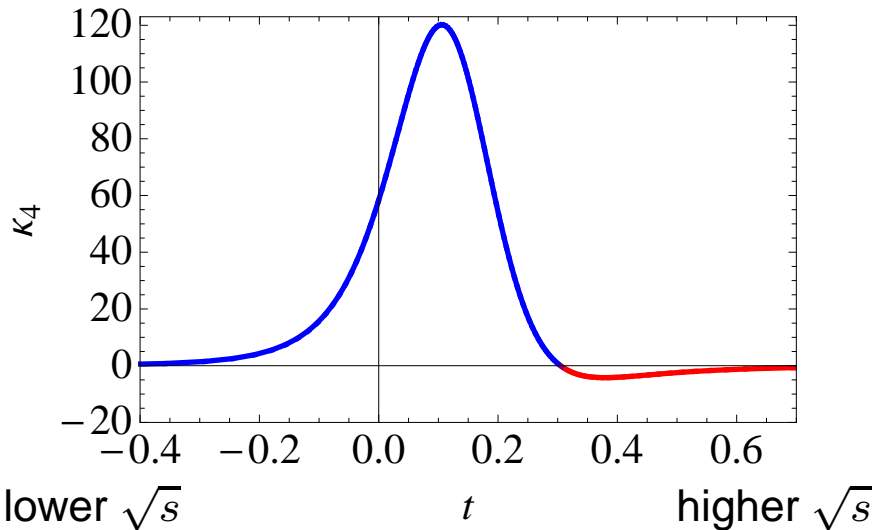
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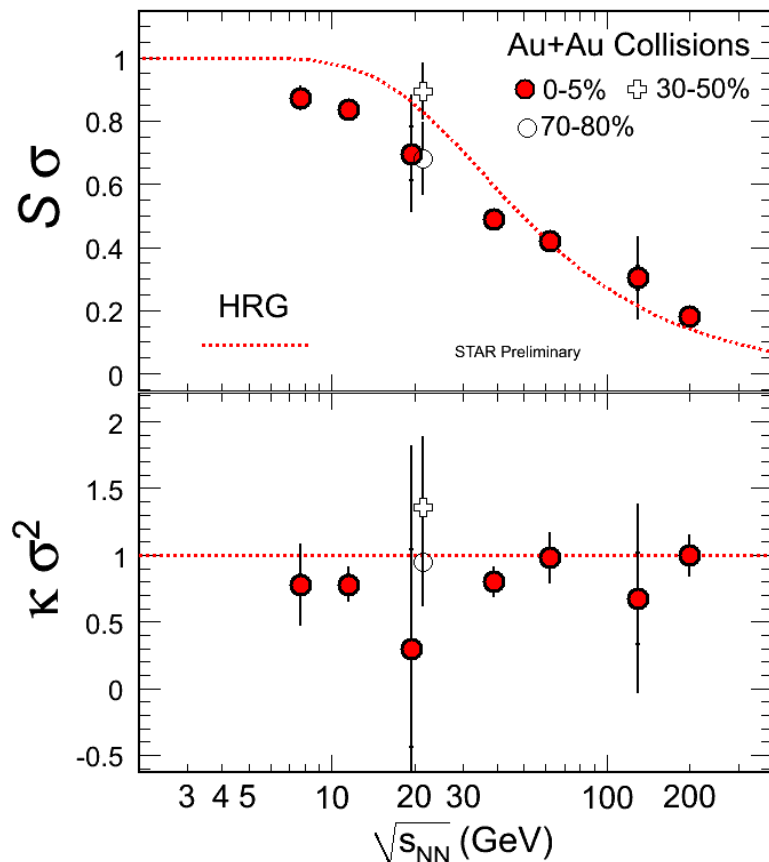
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# Early RHIC Energy Scan Data



STAR, QM2011

Data at  $\sqrt{s} = 19.6$  GeV is few thousand events. Full energy scan data set at this energy was taken in May; results expected this fall. If  $\kappa\sigma^2$  were to be below 1 at  $\sqrt{s} = 19.6$  GeV, the place to look is just left of there. [One lattice calculation (Gavai, Gupta 2011) finds  $-2 < \kappa\sigma^2 < -1$  at  $\mu$  corresponding to  $\sqrt{s} = 19.6$  GeV.]

# Stay Tuned...

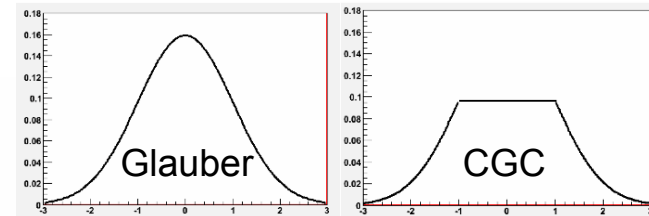
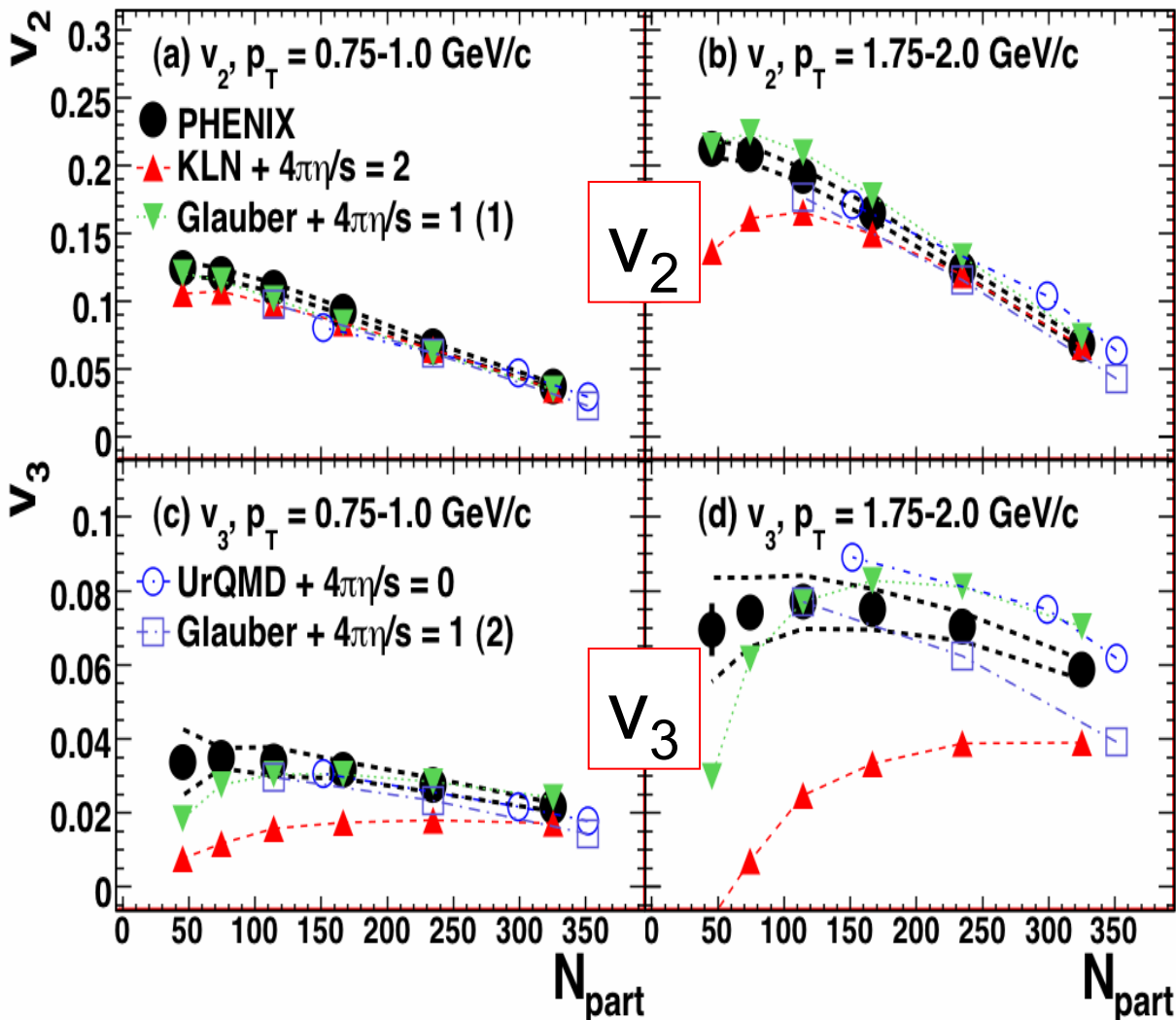
Mapping the QCD phase diagram via the RHIC energy scan has begun...

Liquid QGP at LHC and RHIC. New data ( $v_n$  at RHIC and LHC; soon, CuAu and UU collisions at RHIC) and new calculations tightening the constraints on  $\eta/s$  and perhaps its  $T$ -dependence ...

Probing the Liquid QGP. Jet quenching. Heavy quark energy loss. Upsilon's. Photons. Each of these is a story now being written. Seeing, and then understanding, how the liquid QGP emerges from asymptotically free quarks and gluons remains a challenge, as well as an opportunity...

# $v_3$ breaks the degeneracy

arXiv:1105.3928



Smaller  
eccentricity

Larger  
eccentricity

$v_3$  provides an additional  
constraining power on  
the hydro-model.

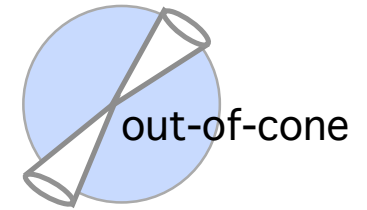
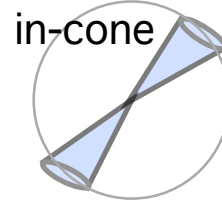
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*works*

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*fails*

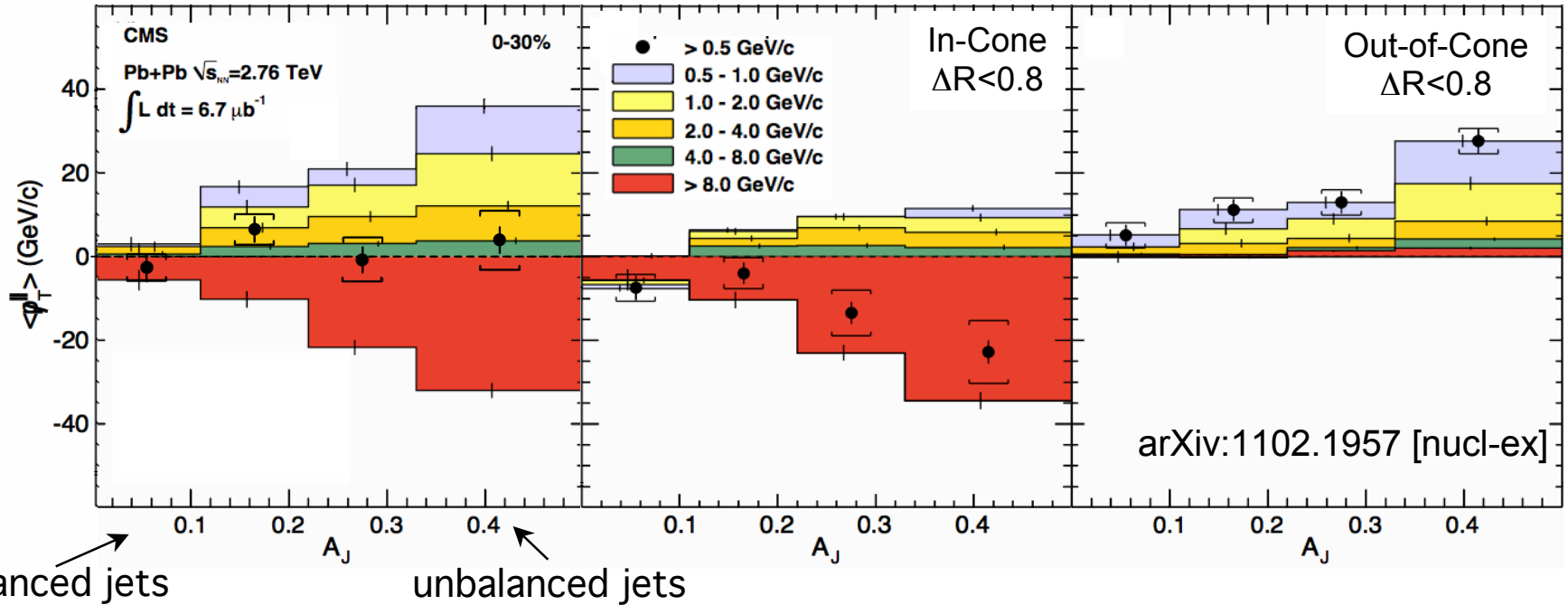
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Glauber &  $4\pi\eta/s=1$  favored

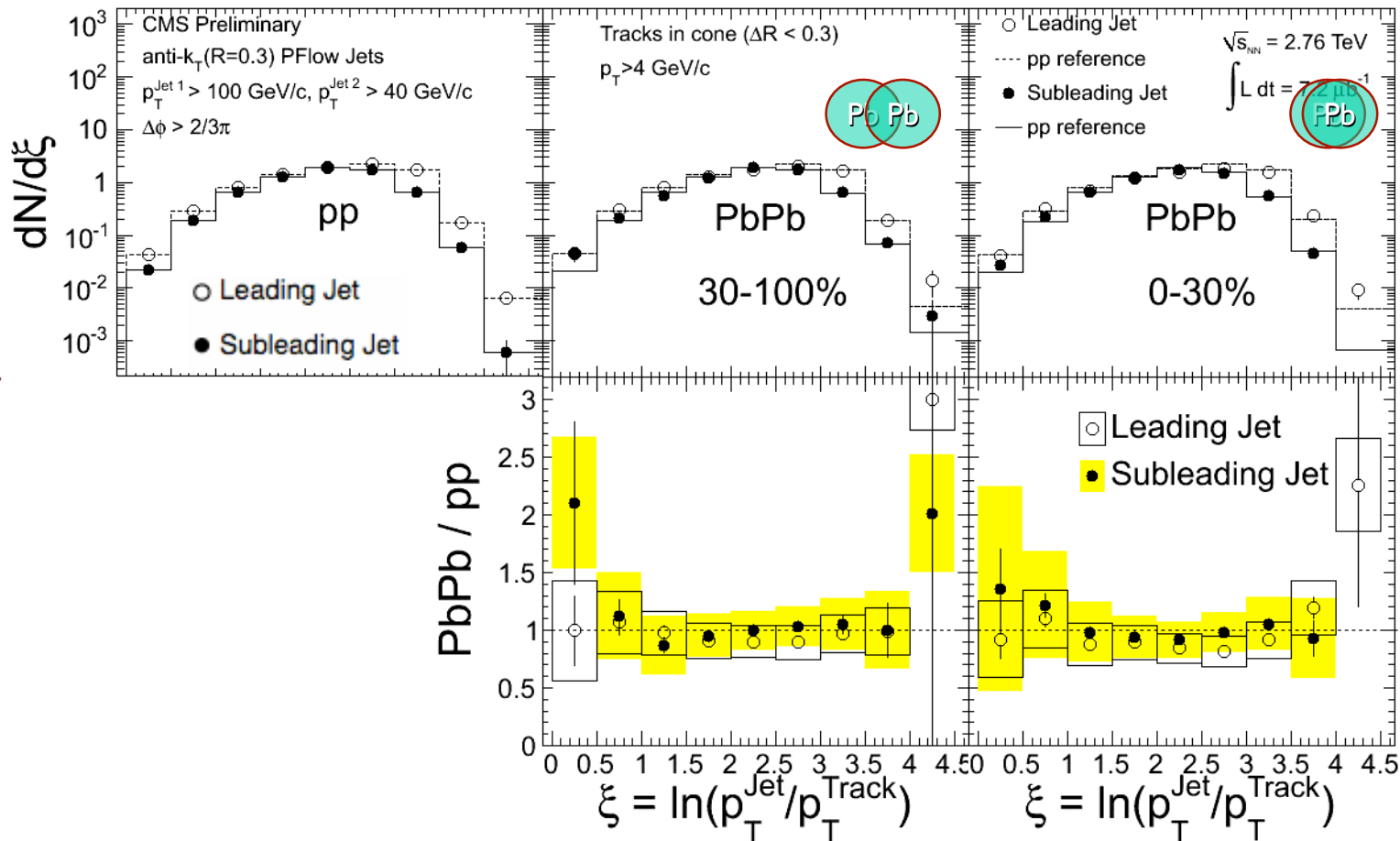
# Missing- $p_T^{\parallel}$



0-30% Central PbPb



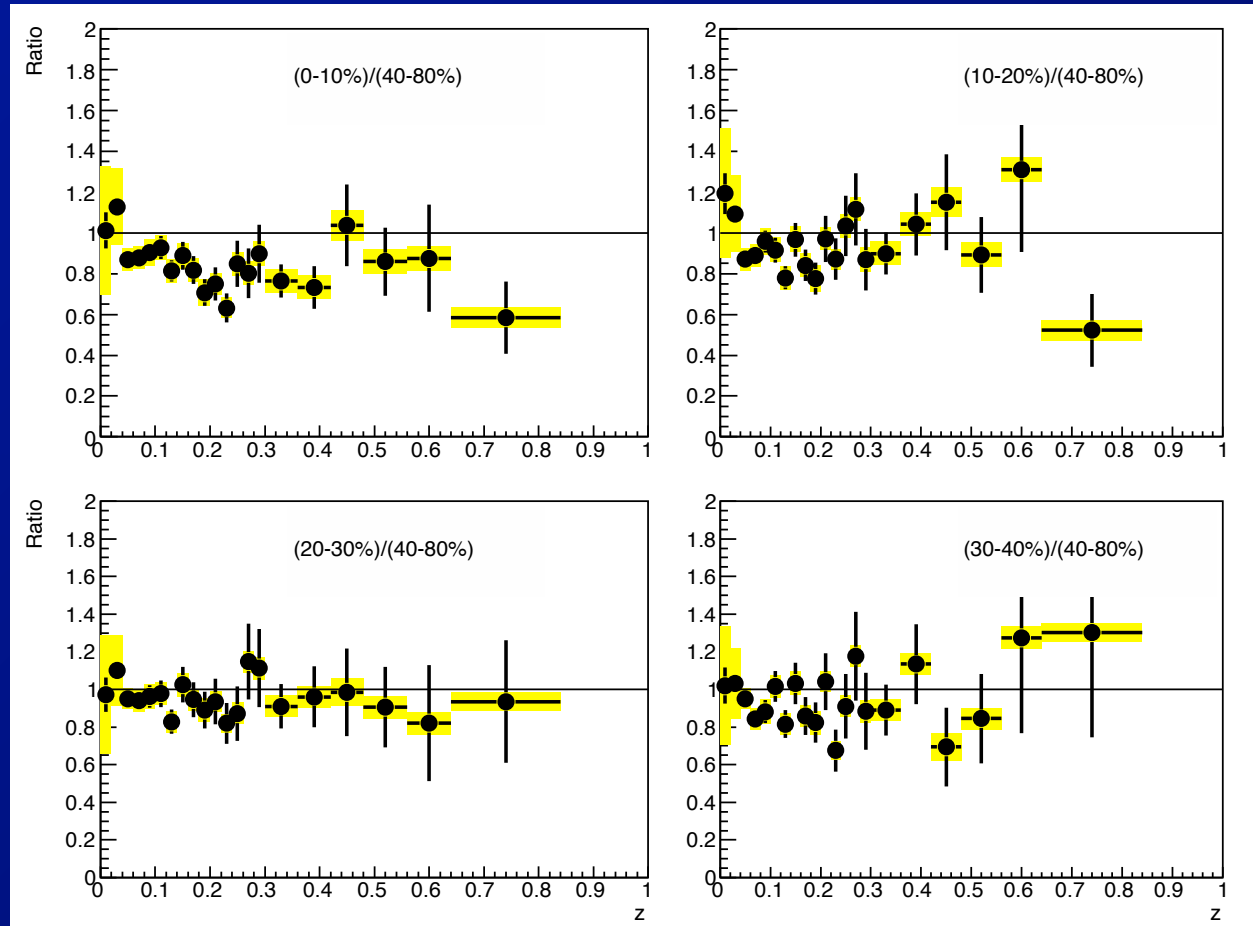
# Fragmentation Functions, pp and PbPb



Leading and subleading jet in PbPb fragment like jets of corresponding energy in pp collisions

# Jet Fragmentation Ratios (Longitudinal)

$R = 0.4$   
 $E_T > 100 \text{ GeV}$



- Evaluate ratio of  $1/N_{\text{jet}} dN/dz$  in different centrality bins to peripheral (40-80%)

⇒ At most, small ( $\sim 20\%$ ) weakly z-dependent suppression in central (0-10%) collisions.