

Transport of hard probes in the **Glasma**

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General outline

Introduction

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The Glasma

Color Glass Condensate • Features of the Glasma fields

Hard probes in the Glasma

Classical transport • Momentum broadening

Observables

Two particle correlations • Nuclear modification factor

Highlights



Heavy-ion collisions

Stitching together effective theories

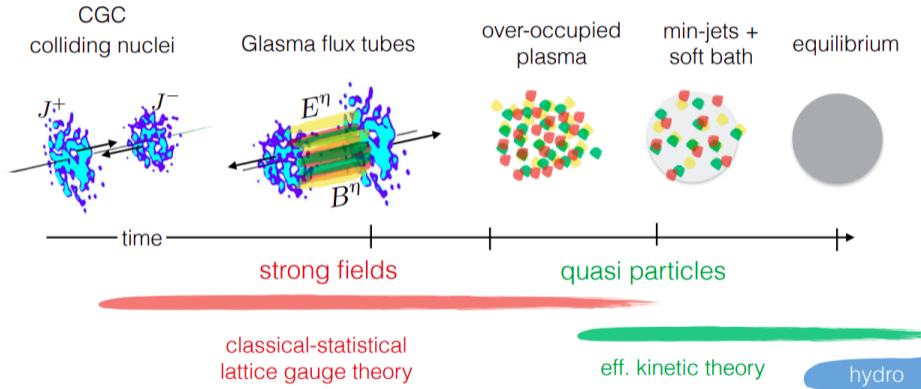


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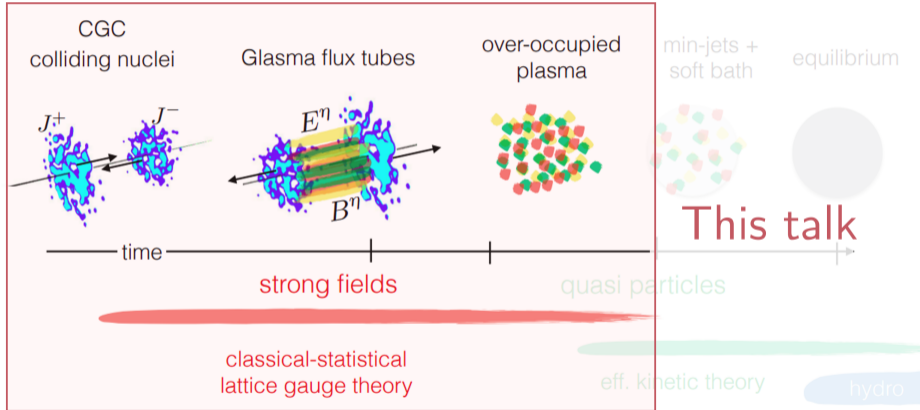


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Hard probes in the pre-equilibrium stage

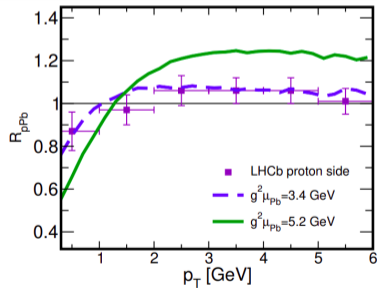


Literature timeline

- 2018 ● Das, Ruggieri [1805.09617]
- 2020 ● Ipp *et al.*
- 2021 ● Carrington *et al.*
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Heavy quarks in Glasma

Highlights: Diffusion, R_{pA}



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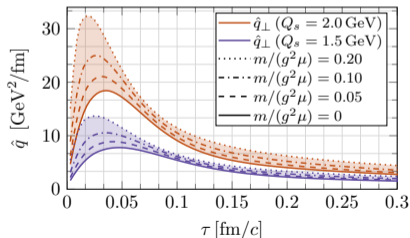
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Eikonal jets in Glasma

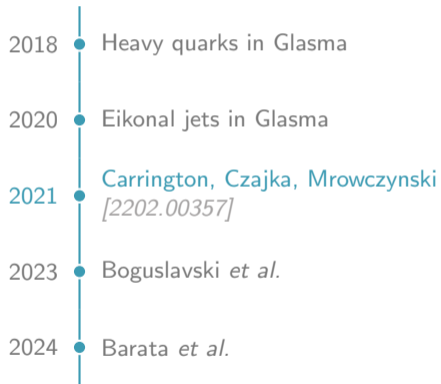
Highlights: Lattice simulations
Transport coefficient \hat{q}



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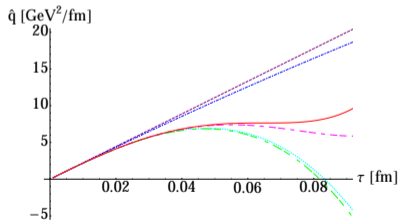


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Highlight: Analytical calculations
Transport coefficient \hat{q}



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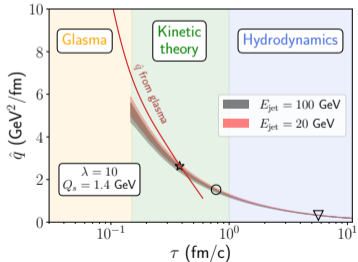
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2023 ● Boguslavski, Kurkela, Lappi, Lindenbauer, Peuron
[2303.12595]

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Hard probes in kinetic theory

Highlight: Stage after Glasma
Compatible \hat{q} and κ



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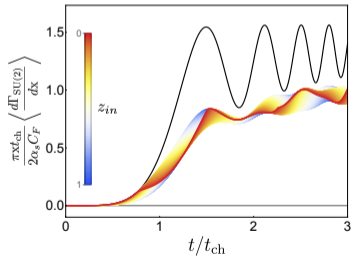
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Energy loss in Glasma

Highlight: Analytical calculations
Medium-induced gluon radiation

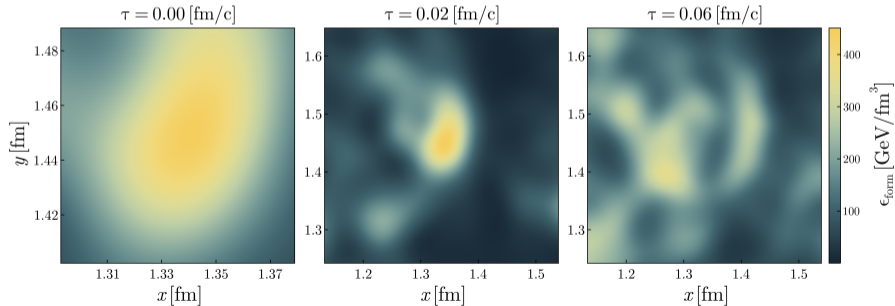


Hard probes in Glasma

Classical transport in the very-early stage

Prerequisite: Classical lattice gauge theory $\xrightarrow{\text{solver}}$ Glasma fields

This work: Glasma fields $\xleftrightarrow{\text{background}}$ test particles $\xleftarrow{\text{solver}}$ colored particle-in-cell

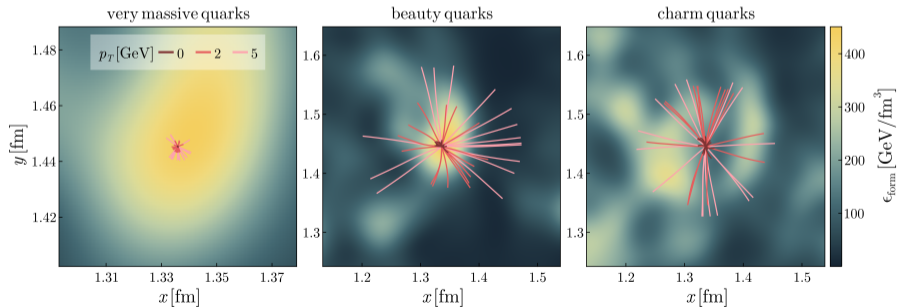


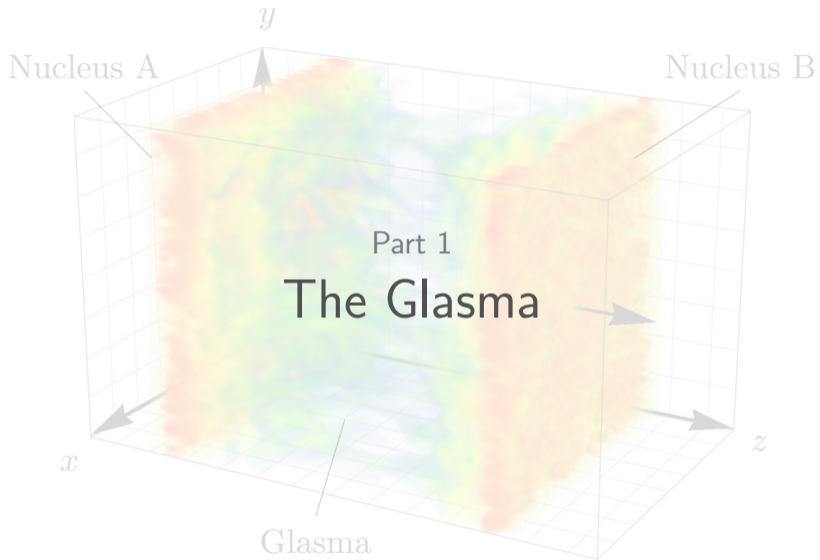
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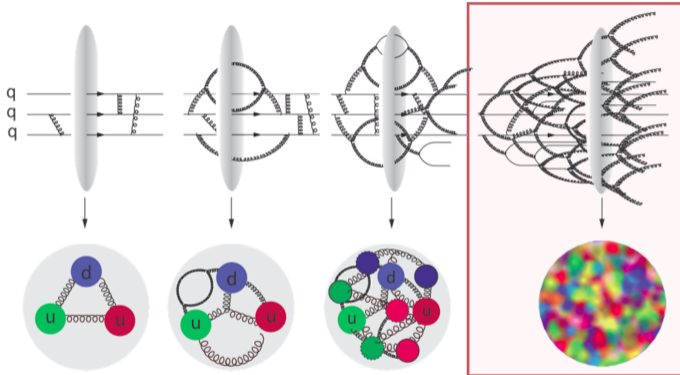
Glons as main degrees of freedom



Small- x limit of QCD \leftrightarrow evolution

High energy QCD

Glons as main degrees of freedom



High **gluon** occupation numbers

CGC as an EFT for high energy QCD



Classical Yang-Mills fields



Separation of scales between
small- x and large- x degrees of freedom

CYM equations: $\left(\overbrace{\mathcal{D}_\mu}^{\text{covariant derivative}} \quad \overbrace{F^{\mu\nu}}^{\text{field strength tensor}} \right) [A^\mu] = J^\nu$

gluons gauge field \uparrow color current of nucleus

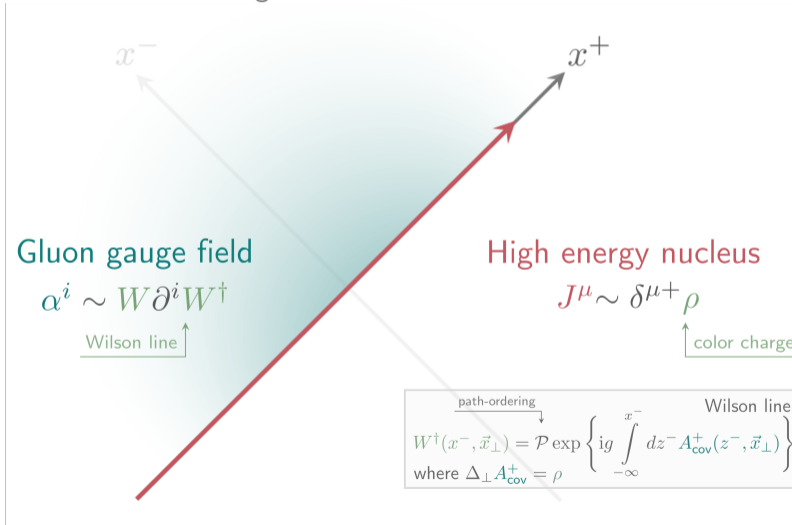
MV model and LC kinematics $\Rightarrow J^{\mu,a}(x) \propto \delta^{\mu+} \rho^a(x^-, \mathbf{x}_\perp)$

large nuclei \uparrow stochastic variable

Two-point function $\langle \rho^a \rho^a \rangle \propto Q_s^2$ saturation momentum

CGC as an EFT for high energy QCD

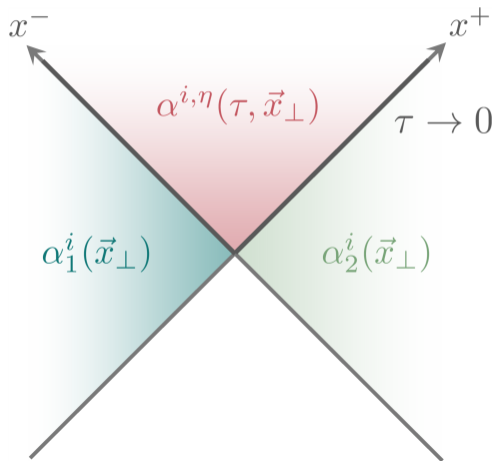
Gauge fields before the collision



Collision of CGC nuclei



Light-cone diagram of the collision



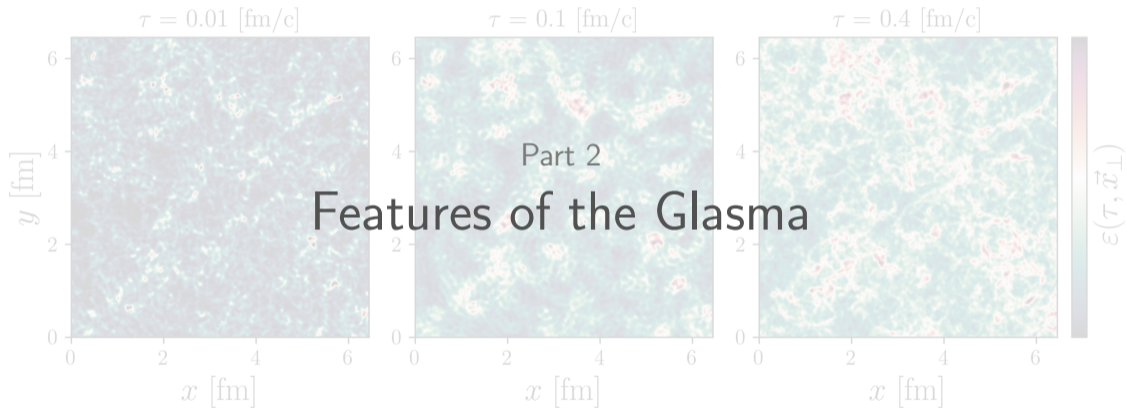
- **Known CGC fields** before the collision
- **Unknown Glasma fields** in the forward light-cone

Milne coordinates (τ, η)

$$\tau = \sqrt{2x^+x^-}, \quad \eta = \ln(x^+/x^-)/2$$

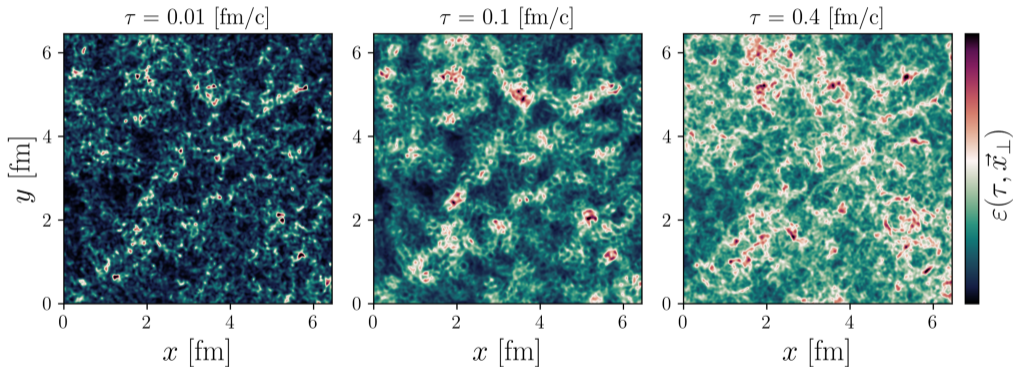
Boost-invariant approximation
fields = indep(η)

Numerical solution of Yang-Mills
equations \Rightarrow Glasma



The Glasma fields

General features



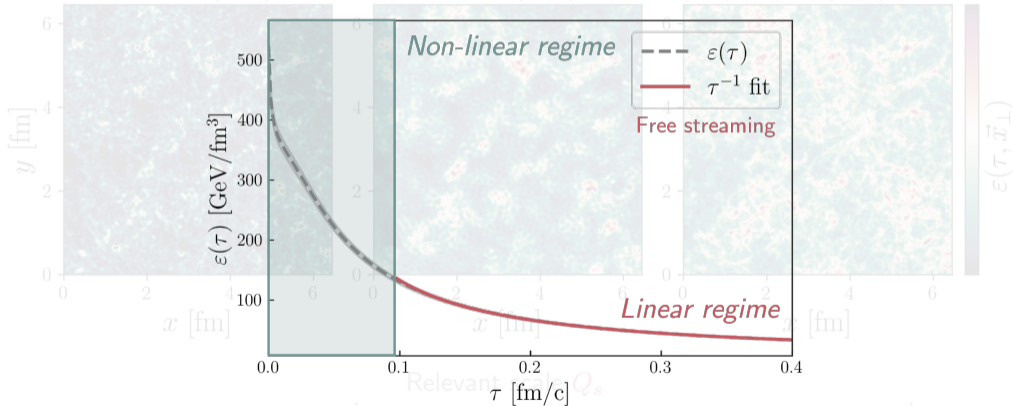
Relevant scale Q_s

Fields *dilute* after $\delta\tau \simeq Q_s^{-1}$, arrange themselves in *correlation domains* of $\delta x_T \simeq Q_s^{-1}$

The Glasma fields

Bjorken expansion

The fields become **dilute** after $\delta\tau \simeq Q_s^{-1} \tau = 0.4$ [fm/c]

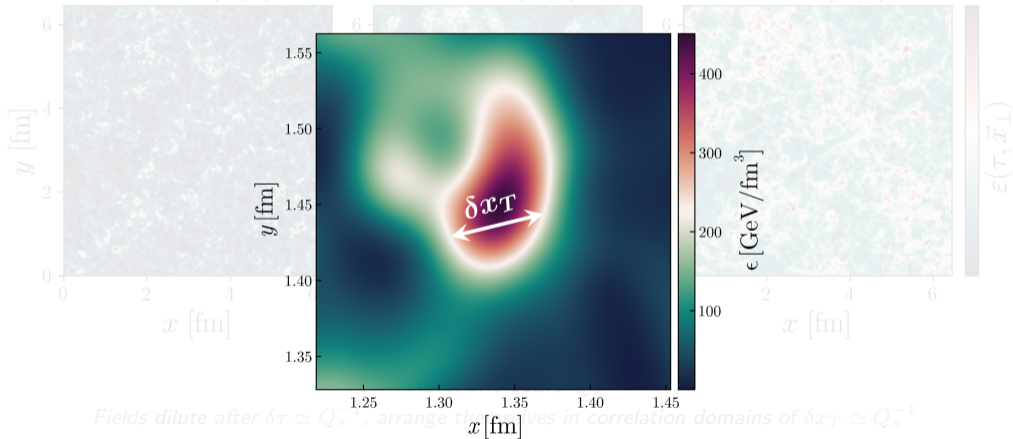


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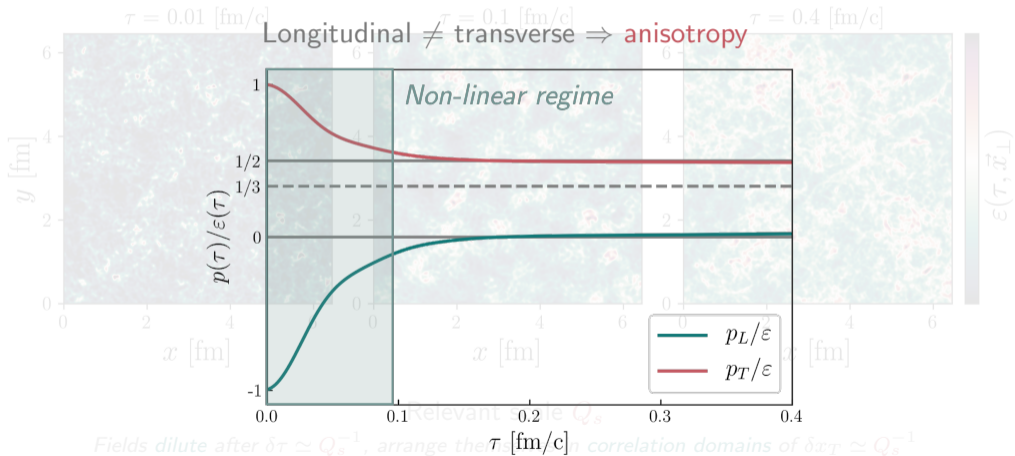
Flux tubes

The fields arrange themselves in correlation domains of $\delta x_T \simeq Q_s^{-1}$



The Glasma fields

Anisotropy



Nucleus A

y

z

Part 3

Hard probes in the Glasma

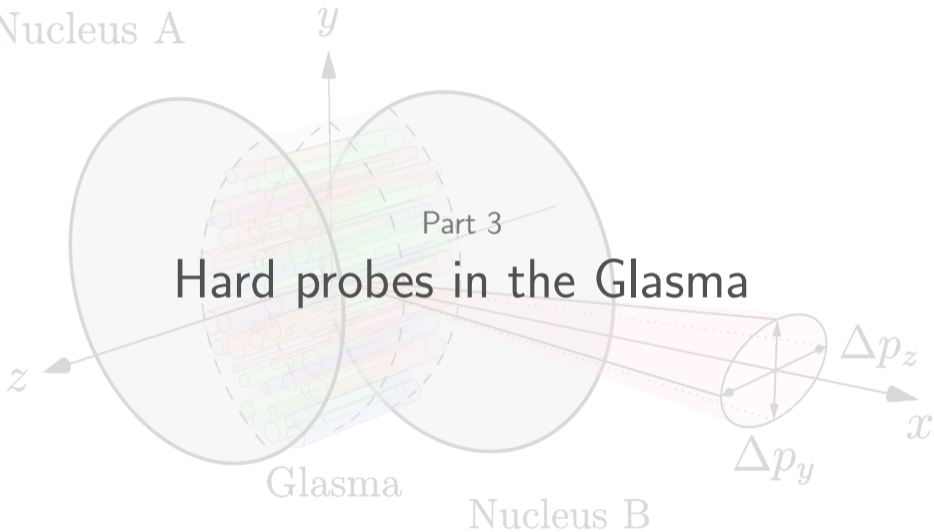
Glasma

Nucleus B

Δp_z

Δp_y

x



Particles in Yang-Mills fields

Wong's equations of motion

Wong's equations \leftrightarrow classical equations of motion for particles (x^μ, p^μ, Q) evolving in a Yang-Mills background field A^μ

$$\frac{d}{d\tau} x^\mu = \frac{p^\mu}{m},$$

coordinate (pointing to x^μ), mass (pointing to m), proper time (pointing to $d\tau$)

$$\frac{D}{d\tau} p^\mu = 2g \text{Tr} \left\{ Q F^{\mu\nu} [A^\mu] \right\} \frac{p_\nu}{m},$$

momentum (pointing to p^μ), gauge field (pointing to A^μ), coupling constant (pointing to g), covariant derivative (pointing to $\frac{D}{d\tau}$)

$$\frac{d}{d\tau} Q = -ig [A_\mu, Q] \frac{p^\mu}{m}$$

color charge (pointing to Q), color rotation $\rightarrow U \in \text{SU}(3)$

$$Q(\tau) = U(\tau, \tau') Q(\tau') U^\dagger(\tau, \tau')$$

Symplectic numerical solver $\xrightarrow{\text{assures}}$ $Q \in \text{SU}(3)$, conservation of Casimir invariants

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Boltzmann-Vlasov collisionless non-Abelian plasma

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{d}{d\tau} x^\mu &= \frac{p^\mu}{m}, & \frac{d}{d\tau} p^\mu &= 2g \text{Tr} \left\{ Q F^{\mu\nu} [A^\mu] \right\} \frac{p^\nu}{m}, & \frac{d}{d\tau} Q &= -ig [A_\mu, Q] \frac{p^\mu}{m} \\
 & \text{coordinate} & & \text{momentum} & & \text{gauge field} & & \text{color charge} \\
 & \text{proper time} & \text{mass} & \text{coupling constant} & & \text{color rotation} \rightarrow U \in \text{SU}(3)
 \end{aligned}$$

$f(x^\mu, p^\mu, Q^a) \xrightarrow{\text{sample}}$ test particles (x^μ, p^μ, Q^a)

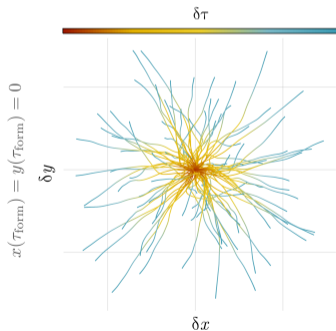
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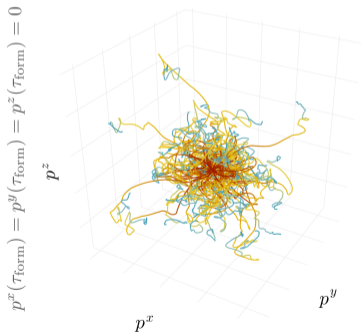


Visualizing the trajectories

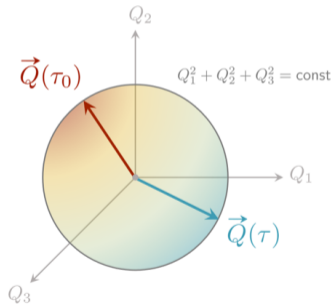
Change of coordinates



Color Lorentz force



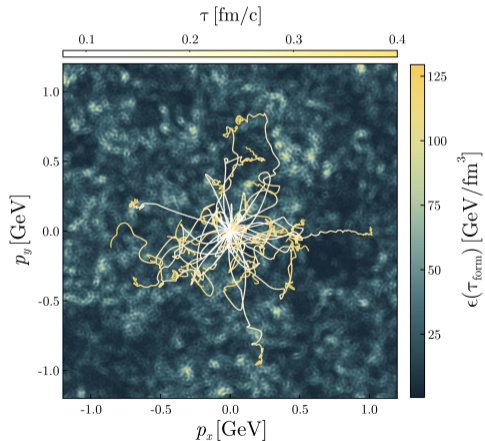
Color rotation



Quantifying the effect of Glasma



Momentum broadening



Momentum broadening

$$\delta p_i^2(\tau) \equiv p_i^2(\tau) - p_i^2(\tau_{\text{form}})$$

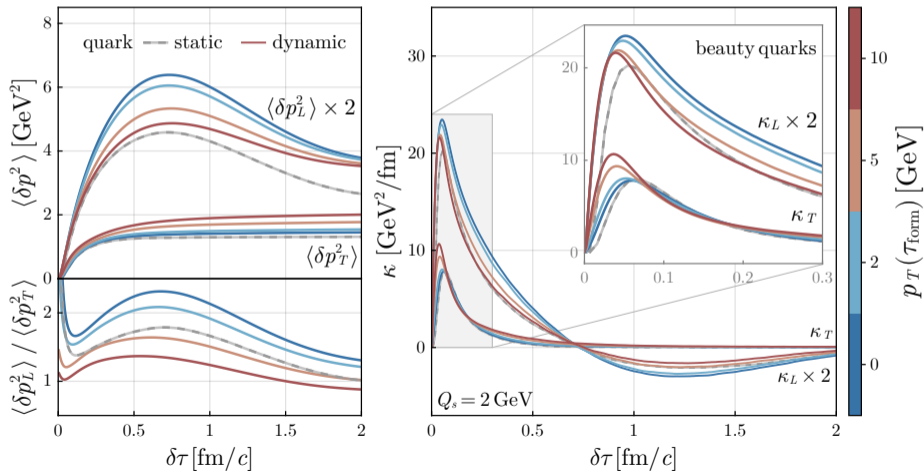
Instantaneous **transport coefficient**

$$\frac{d}{d\tau} \langle \delta p_i^2(\tau) \rangle \equiv \begin{cases} \kappa_i(\tau), & \text{heavy quarks} \\ \hat{q}_i(\tau), & \text{jets} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Anisotropy} \equiv \langle \delta p_L^2 \rangle / \langle \delta p_T^2 \rangle$$

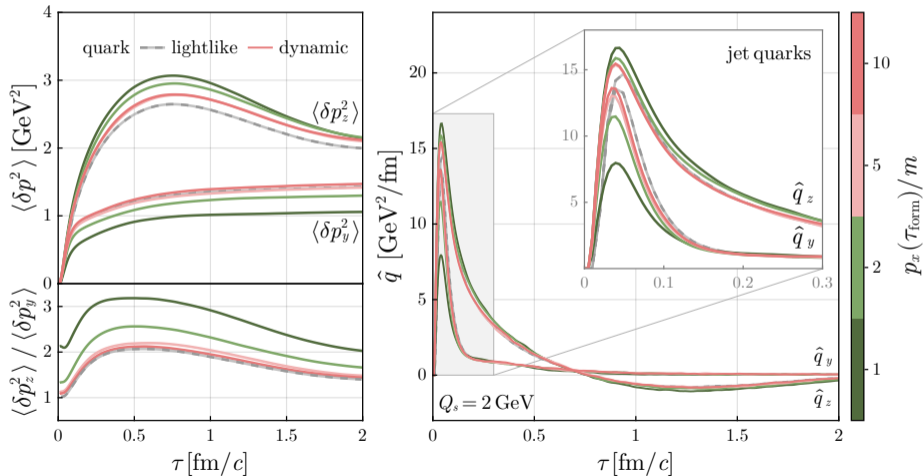
Heavy quarks in Glasma

Momentum broadening and κ



Jets in Glasma

Momentum broadening and \hat{q}



Large transport coefficients

Plausible in an EKT framework

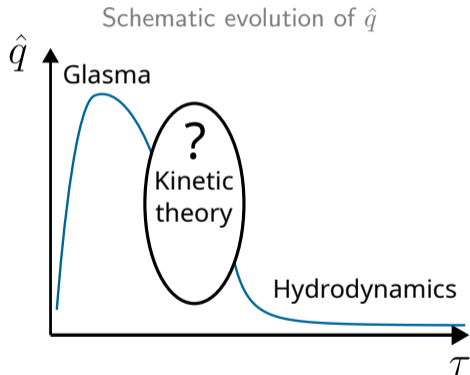
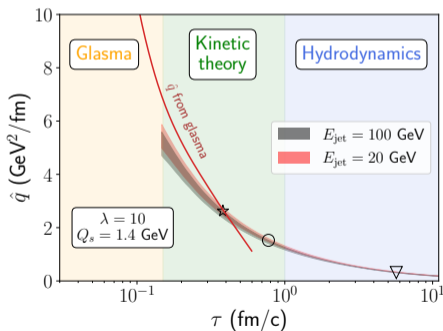


Figure from [2303.12595]

Kinetic theory* connects the large \hat{q} in Glasma to subsequent hydrodynamics



Large transport coefficients

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Schematic evolution of \hat{q}

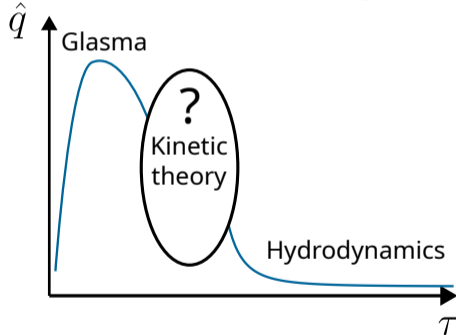
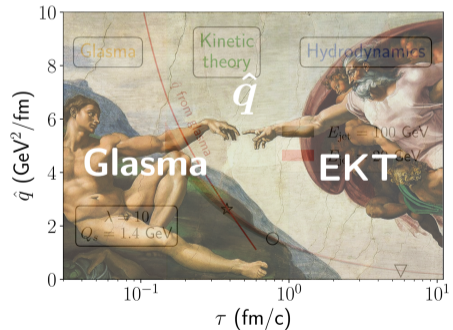
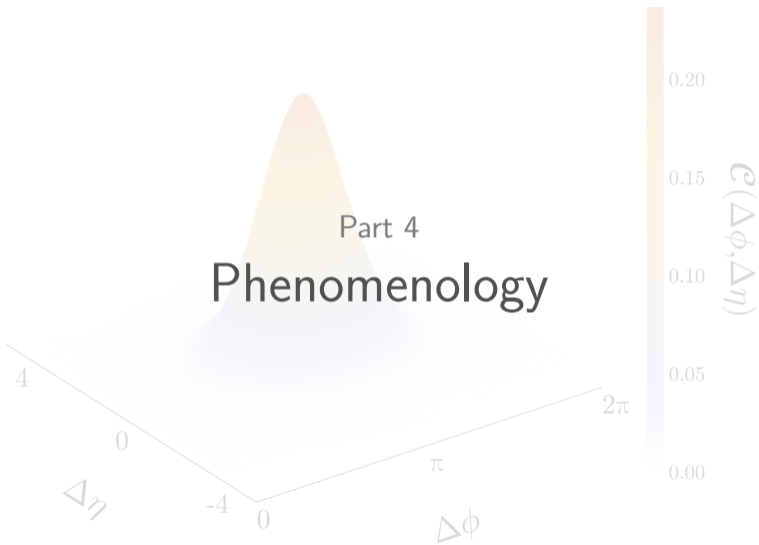


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Two particle correlations

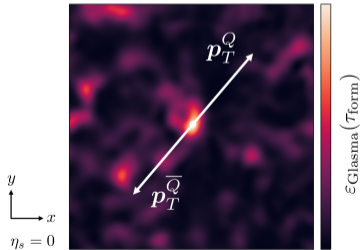
Sketch of $Q\bar{Q}$ pairs in the Glasma

Glasma fields

heavy quarks

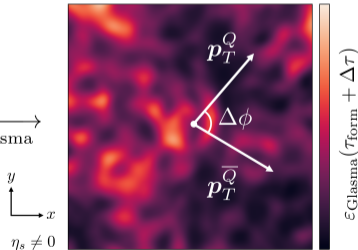
Control parameters: saturation momentum Q_s and initial p_T with $\tau_{\text{form}} = 1/(2m_T)$

$Q\bar{Q}$ pair back-to-back

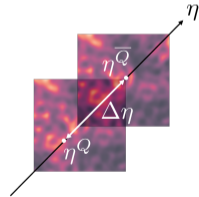


after $\Delta\tau$
evolving Glasma

$\Delta\phi \equiv \phi^Q - \phi^{\bar{Q}}$



$\Delta\eta \equiv \eta^Q - \eta^{\bar{Q}}$

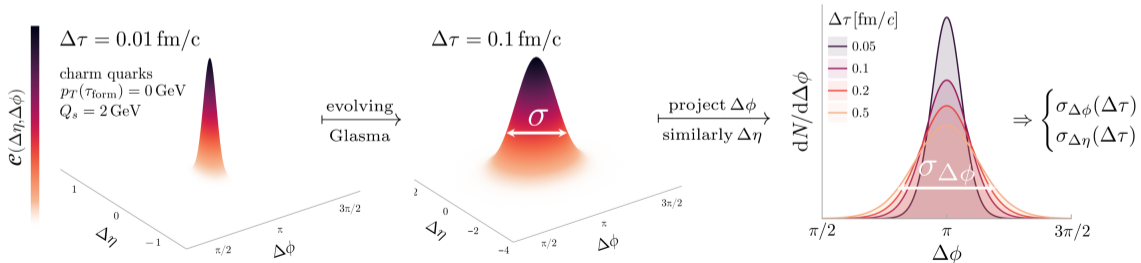


Two particle correlations

Quantifying the decorrelation

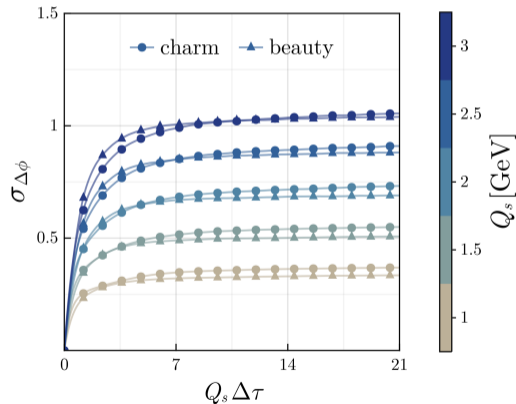
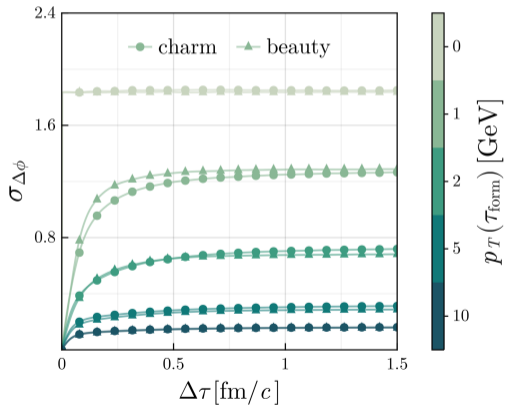
Rapidity and azimuthal correlations $\mathcal{C}(\Delta\eta, \Delta\phi) \equiv \frac{1}{N_{\text{pairs}}} \frac{d^2 N}{d\Delta\eta d\Delta\phi}$

Initial $\mathcal{C}(\tau_{\text{form}}) \propto \delta(\Delta\phi - \pi)\delta(\Delta\eta)$ $\xrightarrow{\Delta\tau \text{ in Glasma}}$ $\mathcal{C}(\tau_{\text{form}} + \Delta\tau) \xrightarrow{\text{extract}}$ $\sigma_{\Delta\phi}(\Delta\tau), \sigma_{\Delta\eta}(\Delta\tau)$



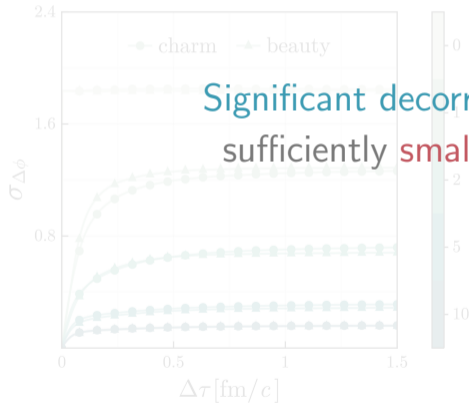
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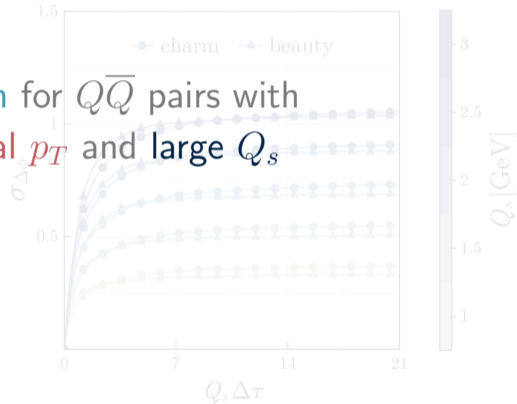


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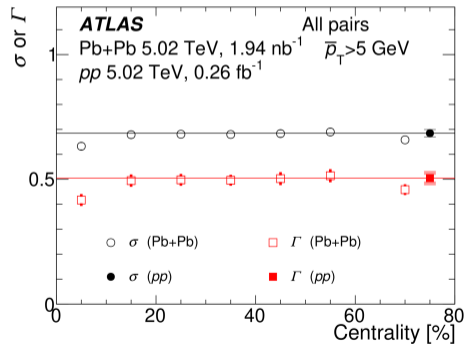
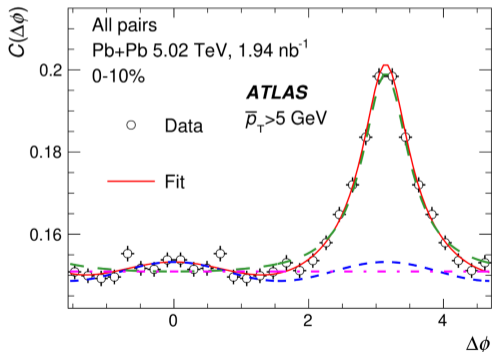
Significant decorrelaton for $Q\bar{Q}$ pairs with sufficiently small initial p_T and large Q_s



Phenomenology implications

Azimuthal angle correlations

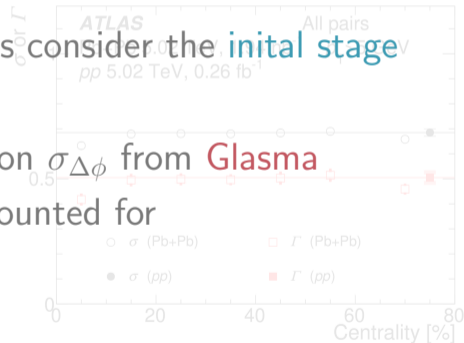
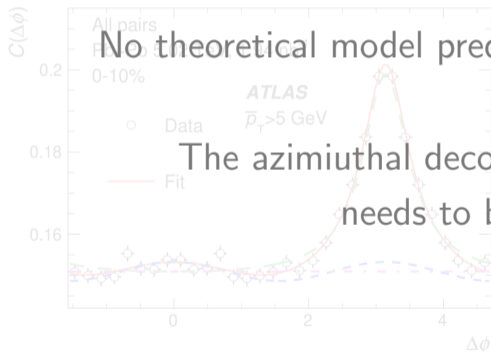
First measurement of azimuthal correlations in PbPb from [ATLAS 2308.16652]



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Azimuthal angle correlations

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No theoretical model predictions consider the initial stage

The azimuthal decorrelation $\sigma_{\Delta\phi}$ from Glasma needs to be accounted for

Highlights



Framework:

Numerical solver for hard probes in Glasma

Anisotropic momentum broadening

Large transport coefficients κ and \hat{q}

Phenomenology:

Azimuthal decorrelation of $Q\bar{Q}$ pairs

Nuclear modification factor R_{AA} with **nPDFs**

Improvements:

Energy loss

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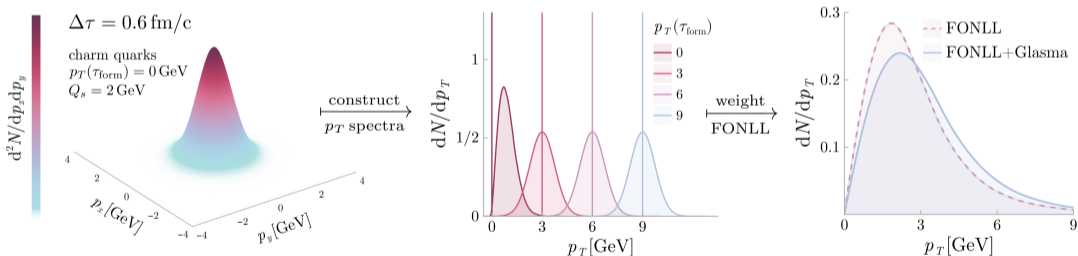
Back-up

Nuclear modification factor



Sketch of p_T spectra in the Glasma

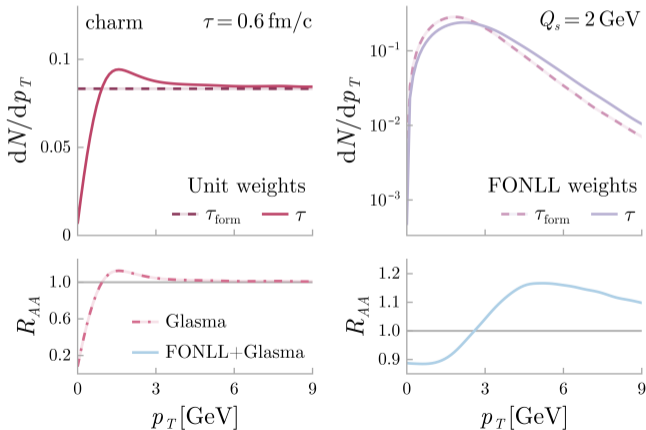
Heavy quarks $\xrightarrow{\text{FONLL}^*}$ initial p_T distribution $\propto d\sigma^{pp/AA}/dp_T(\sqrt{s}, \text{PDF}/n\text{PDF})$



* Fixed Order + Next-to-Leading Logarithms, state-of-the-art resummed heavy quark production

Nuclear modification factor

Extraction of R_{AA} in Glasma



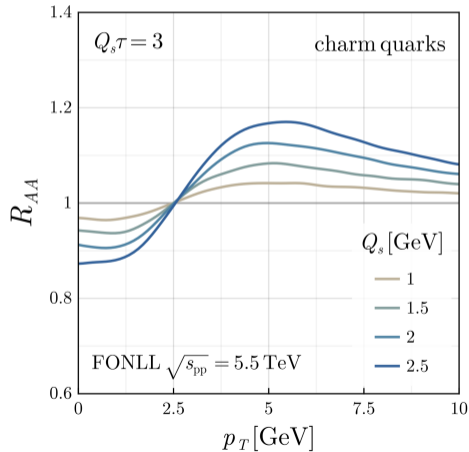
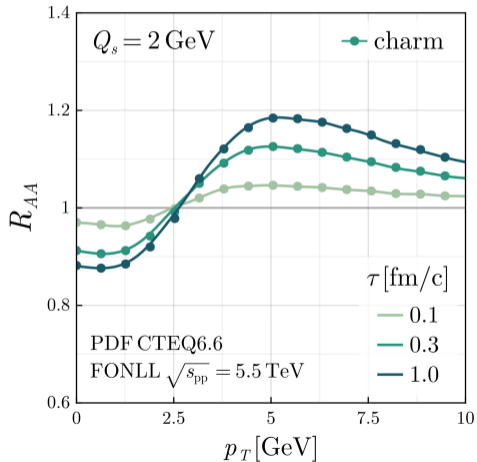
Glasma p_T broadening $\Rightarrow \frac{dN}{dp_T}(\tau)$
 Initialized with FONLL in pp/AA

Nuclear modification factor at τ

$$R_{AA} = \frac{\sigma_{\text{tot}}^{AA}}{A^2 \sigma_{\text{tot}}^{pp}} \frac{\frac{dN}{dp_T}(\tau; pp/AA)}{\frac{dN^{pp}}{dp_T}(\tau_{\text{form}})}$$

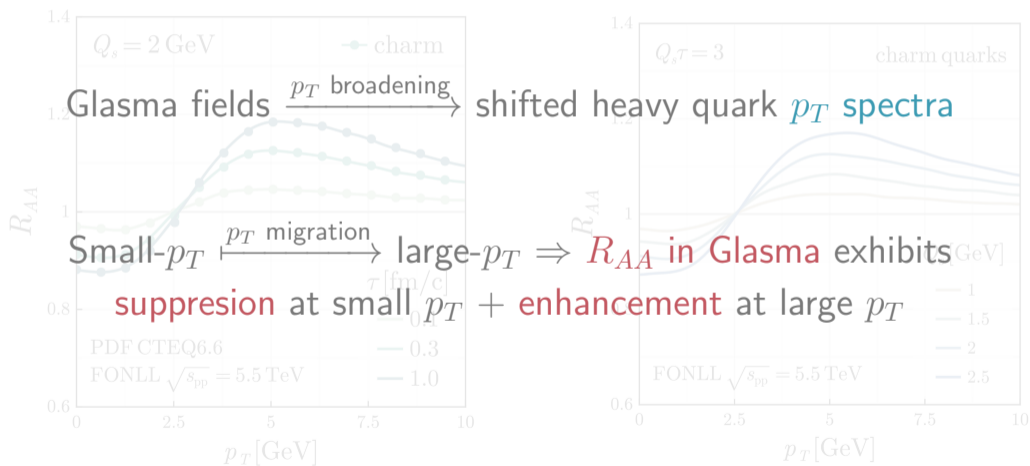
R_{AA} in the Glasma

Temporal evolution and Q_s dependence



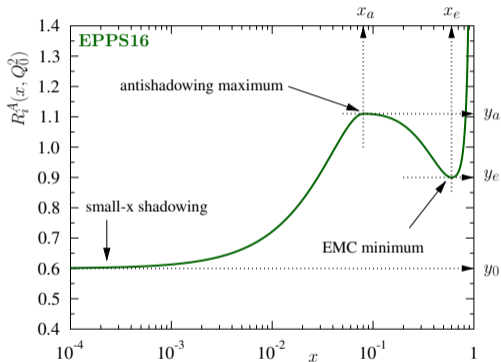
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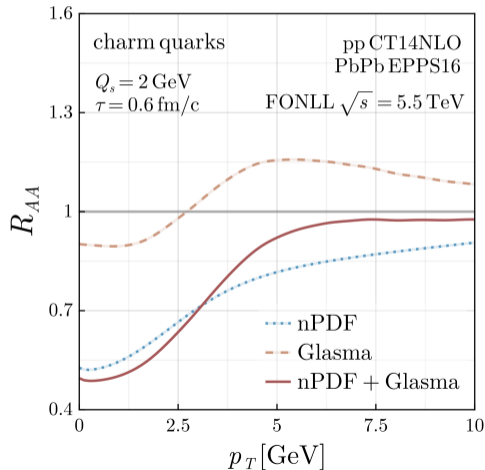


R_{AA} in the Glasma with nPDFs

Cold nuclear matter effects

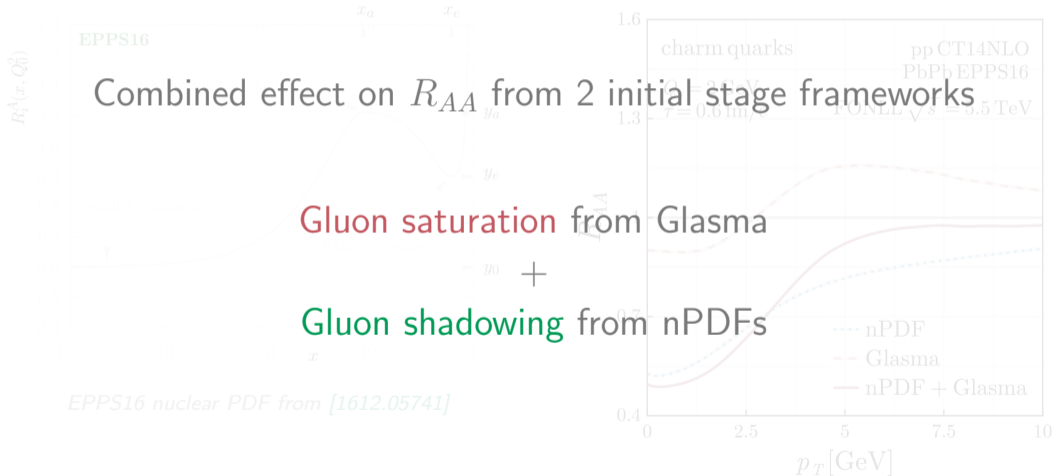


EPPS16 nuclear PDF from [1612.05741]



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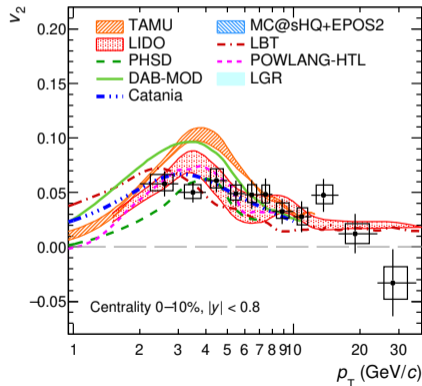
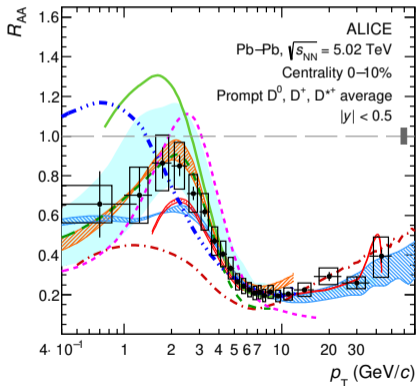


Phenomenology implications



R_{AA} and v_2 puzzle

D mesons R_{AA} and v_2 from [ALICE 2110.09420] compared to various transport models

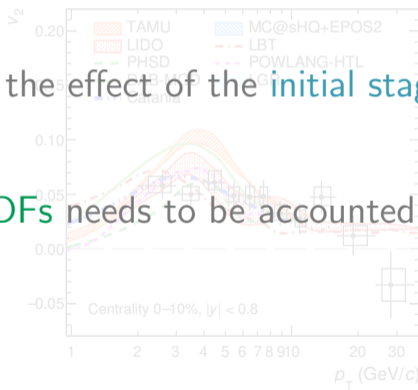
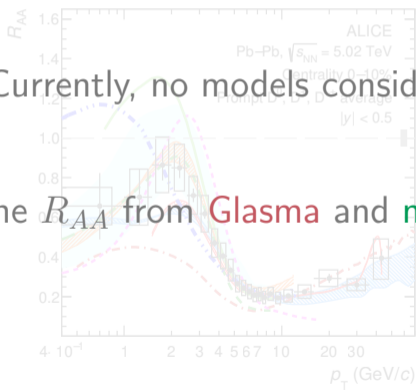


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Currently, no models consider the effect of the initial stage

The R_{AA} from Glasma and nPDFs needs to be accounted for