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Dilepton emission in heavy ion collisions and equilibrium of QCD matter

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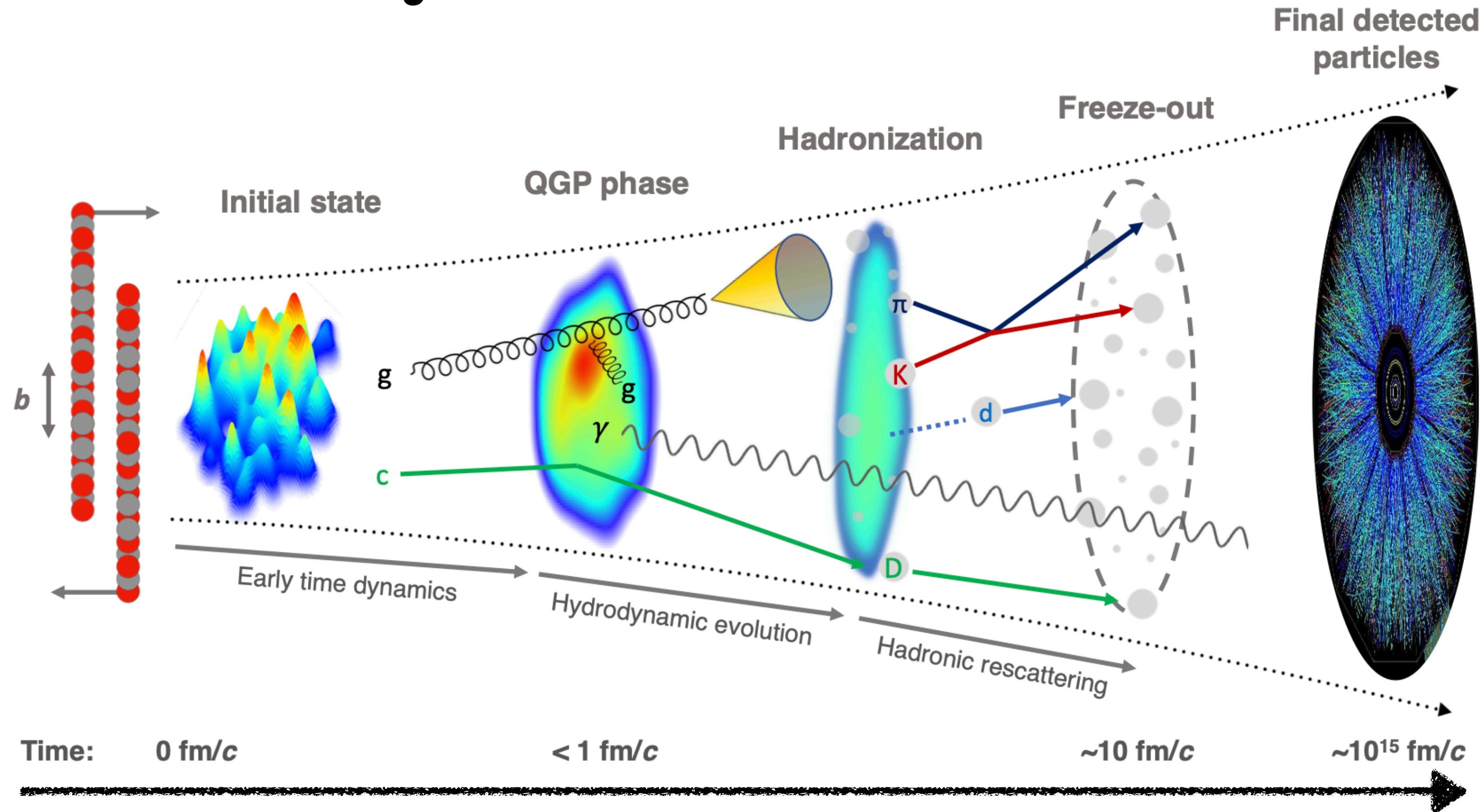
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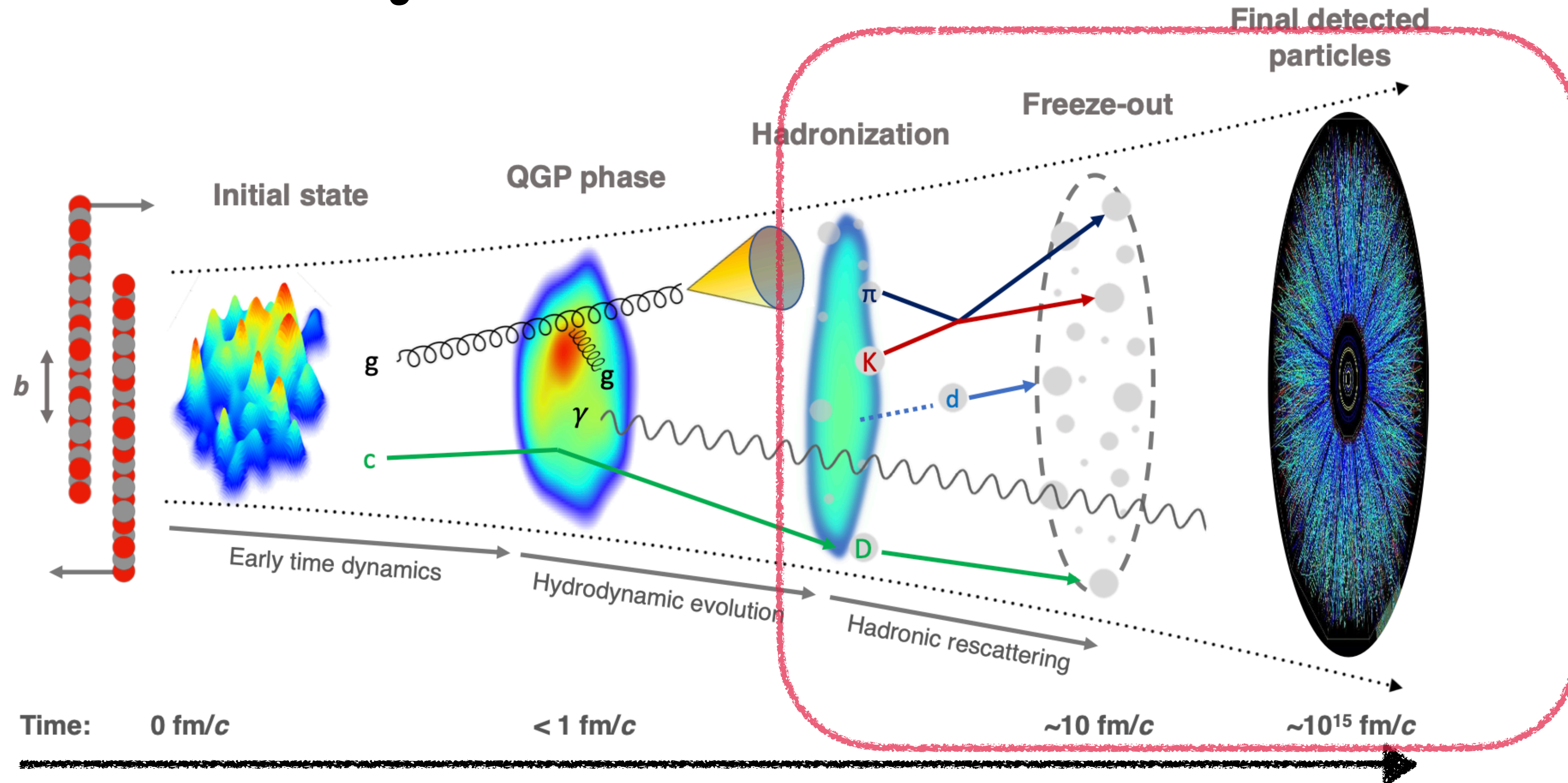
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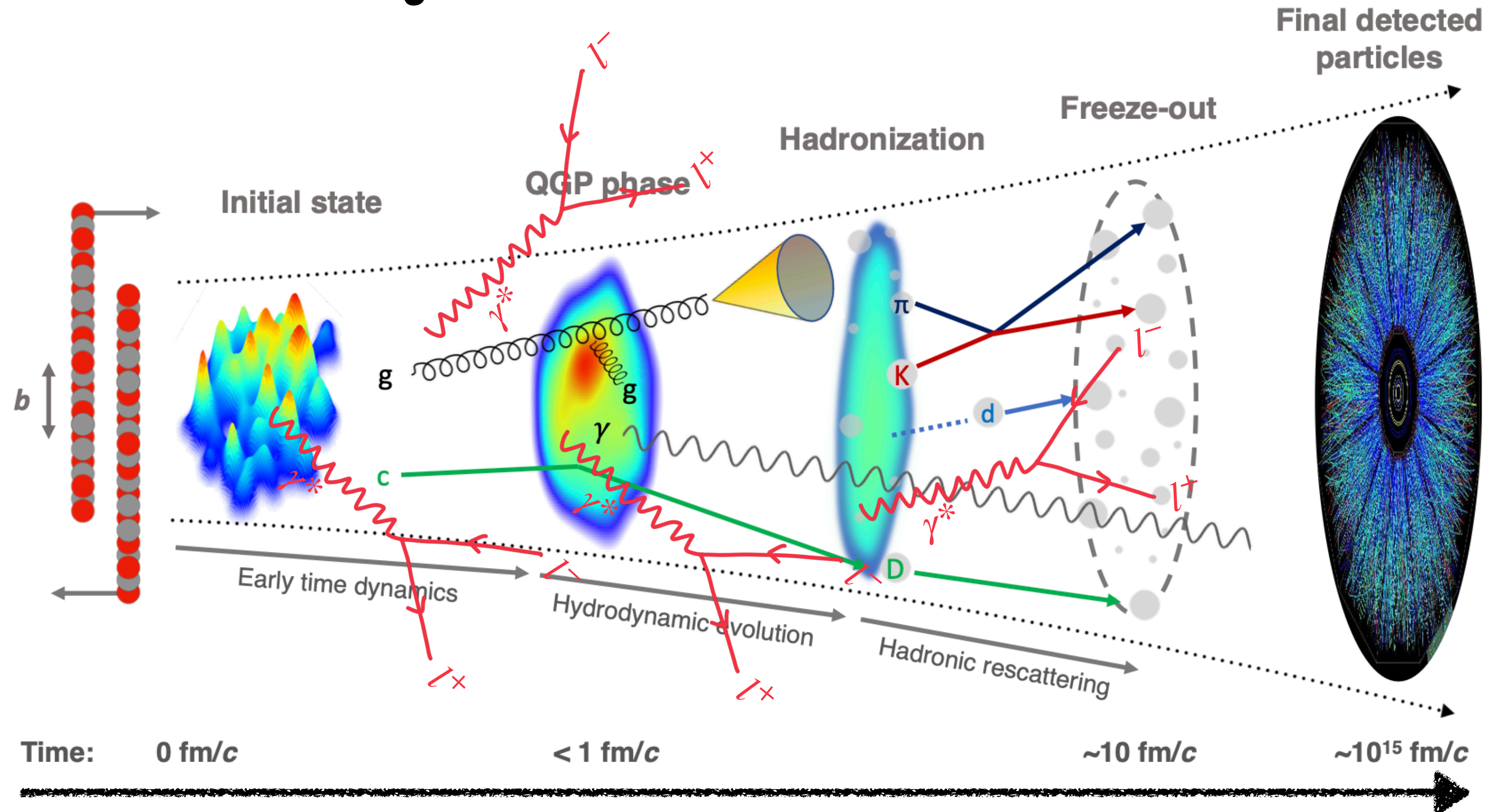
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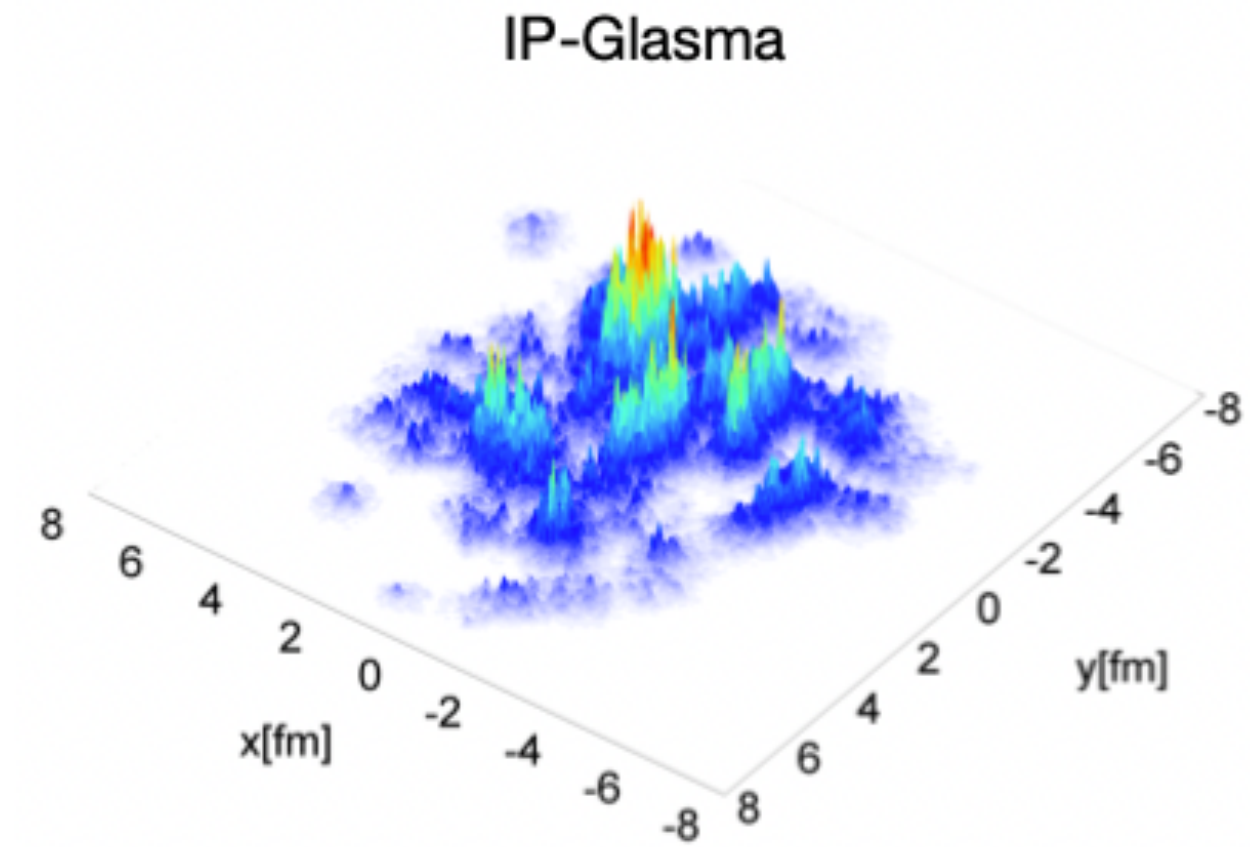
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- EM probes ($\gamma/l\bar{l}$): $T > T_{\text{frz}}$, direct probe.

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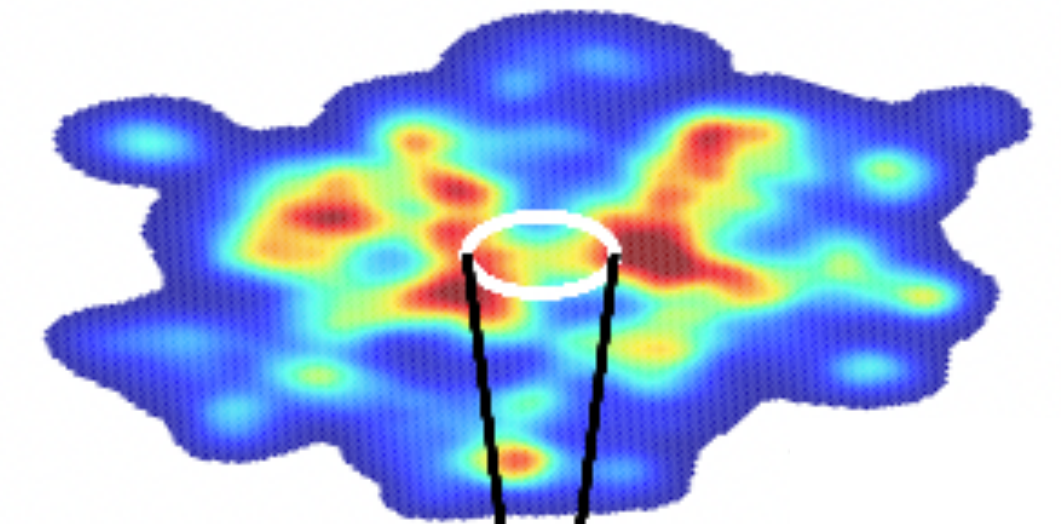
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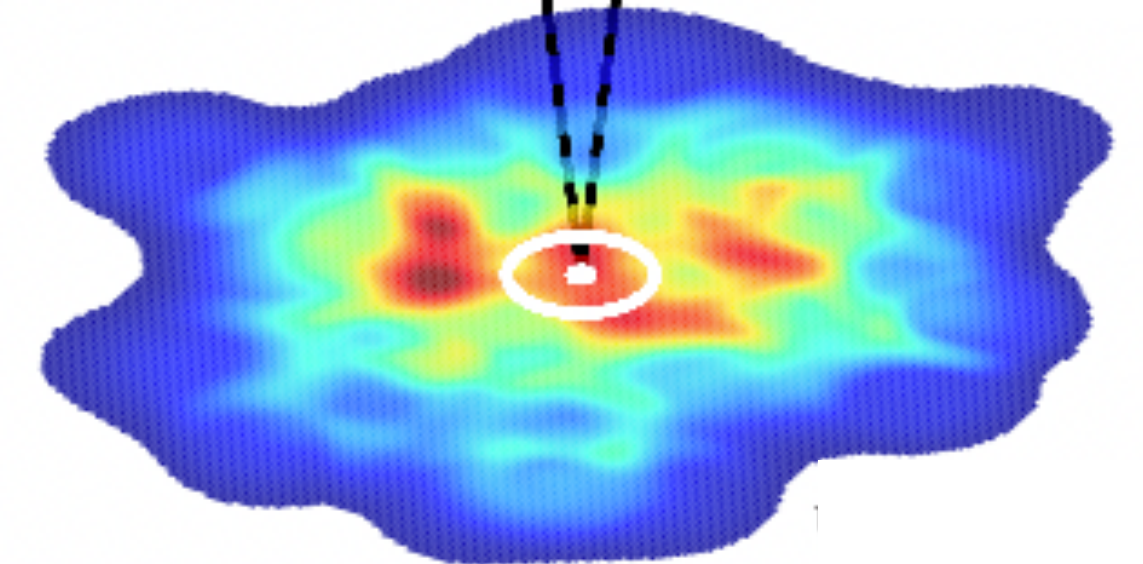
$$T^{\mu\nu}(\tau, \mathbf{x}) = \bar{T}^{\mu\nu}(\tau, \mathbf{x}) + \delta T^{\mu\nu}(\tau, \mathbf{x})$$

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- Kinetic theory scaling curve and linear response.

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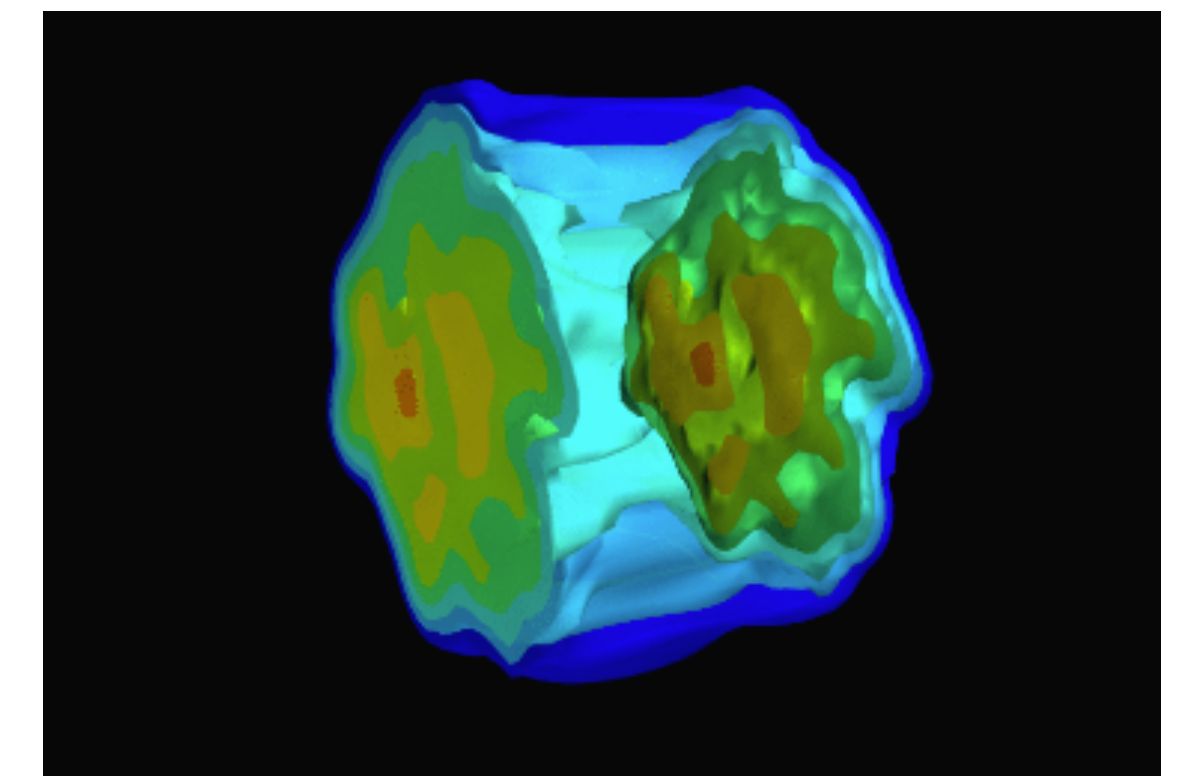
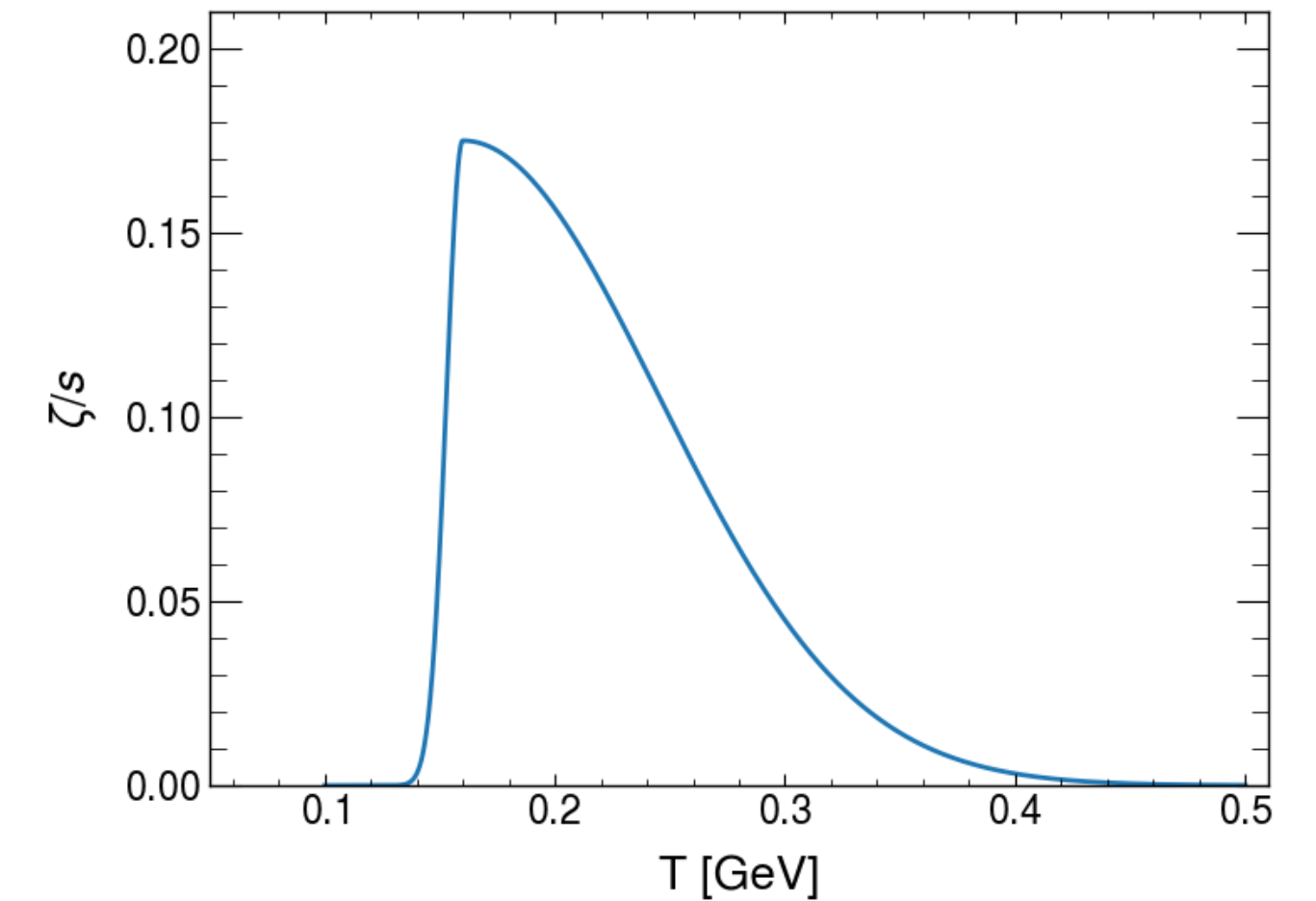
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Hydrodynamic evolution: MUSIC

- (2+1)-D event-by-event 2nd viscous hydrodynamics model.
- Shear viscosity $\eta/s = 0.12$ and bulk viscosity $\zeta/s(T)$.
- HotQCD+hadron gas equation of states.

$\tau \approx 10$ fm



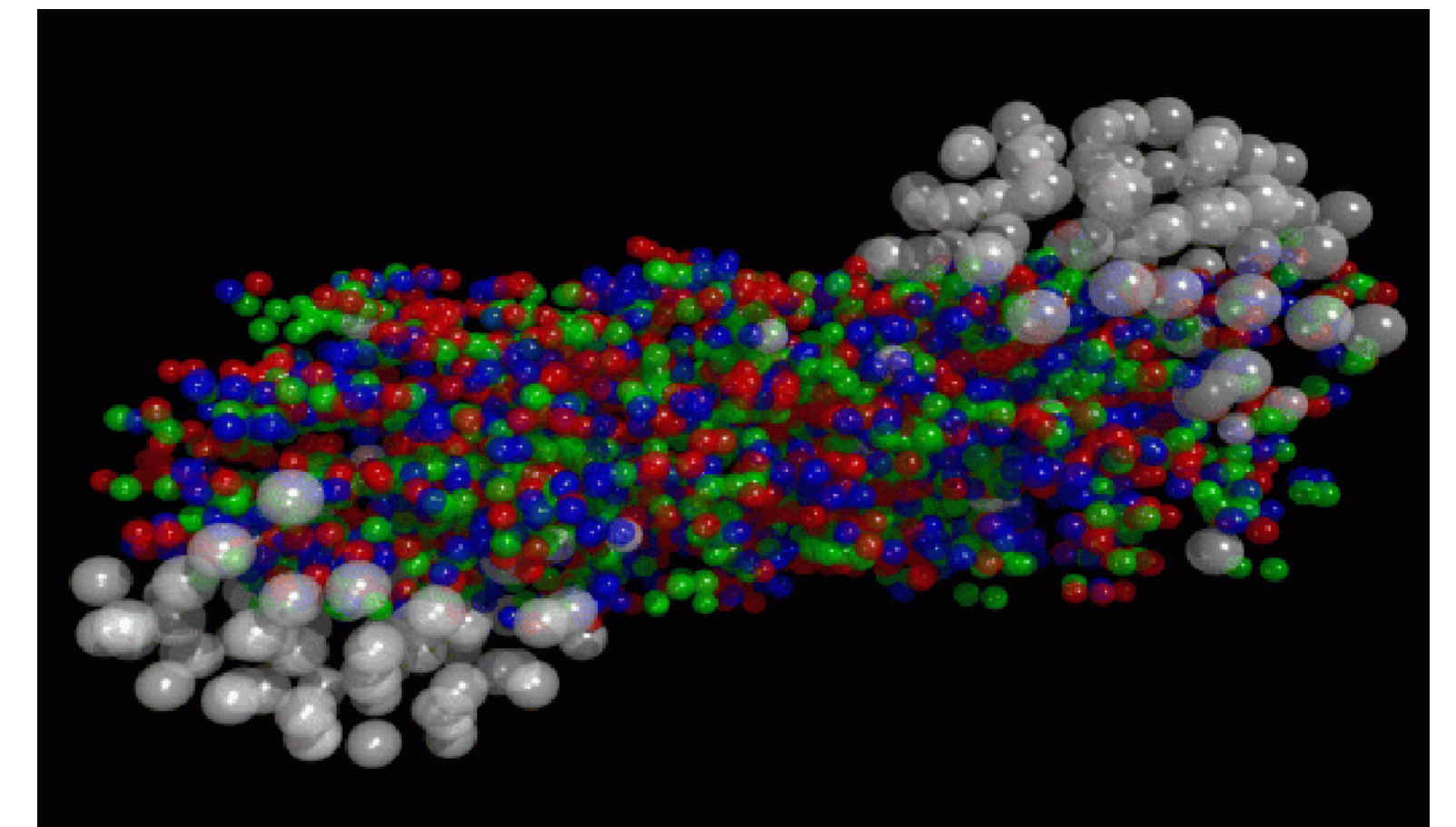
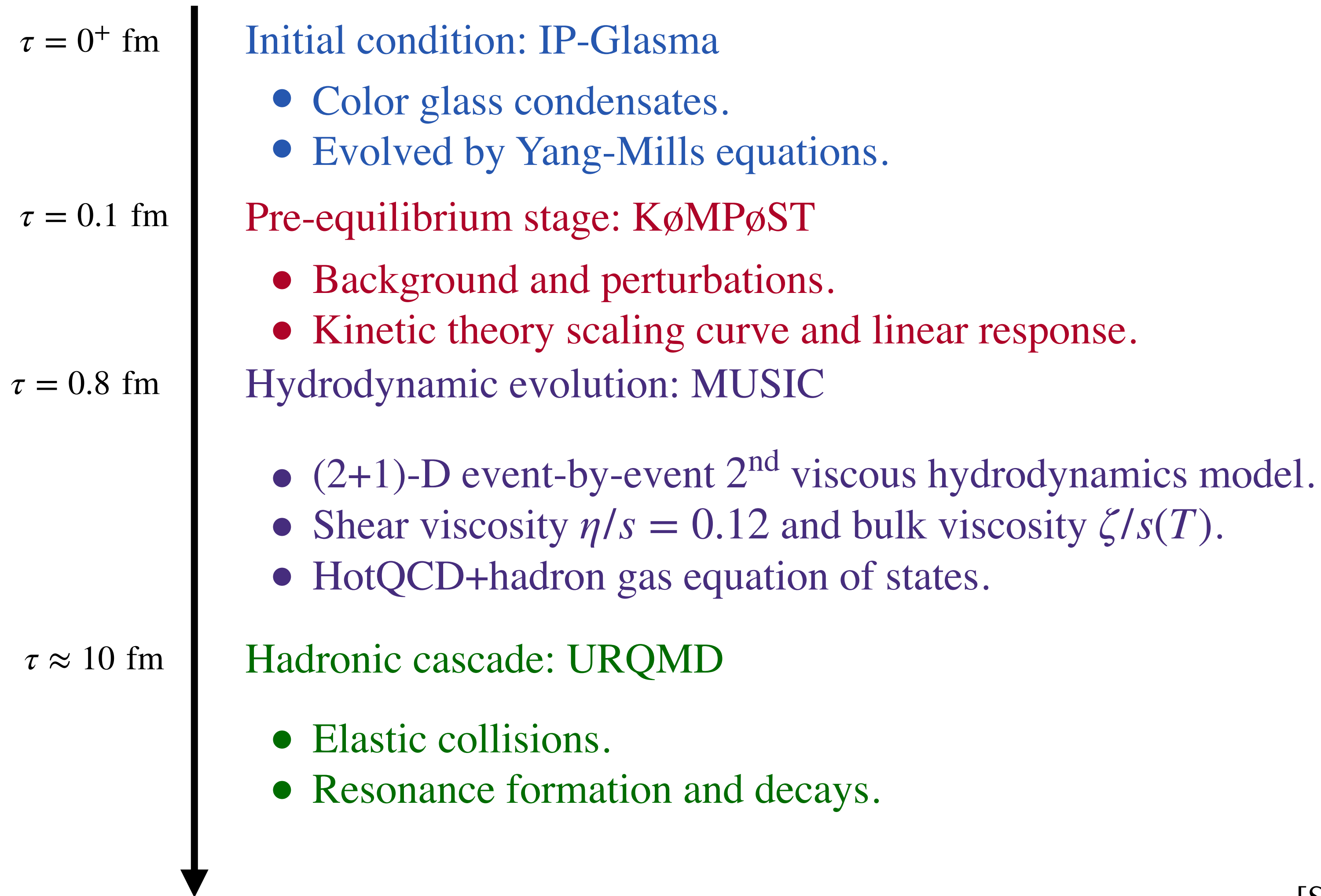
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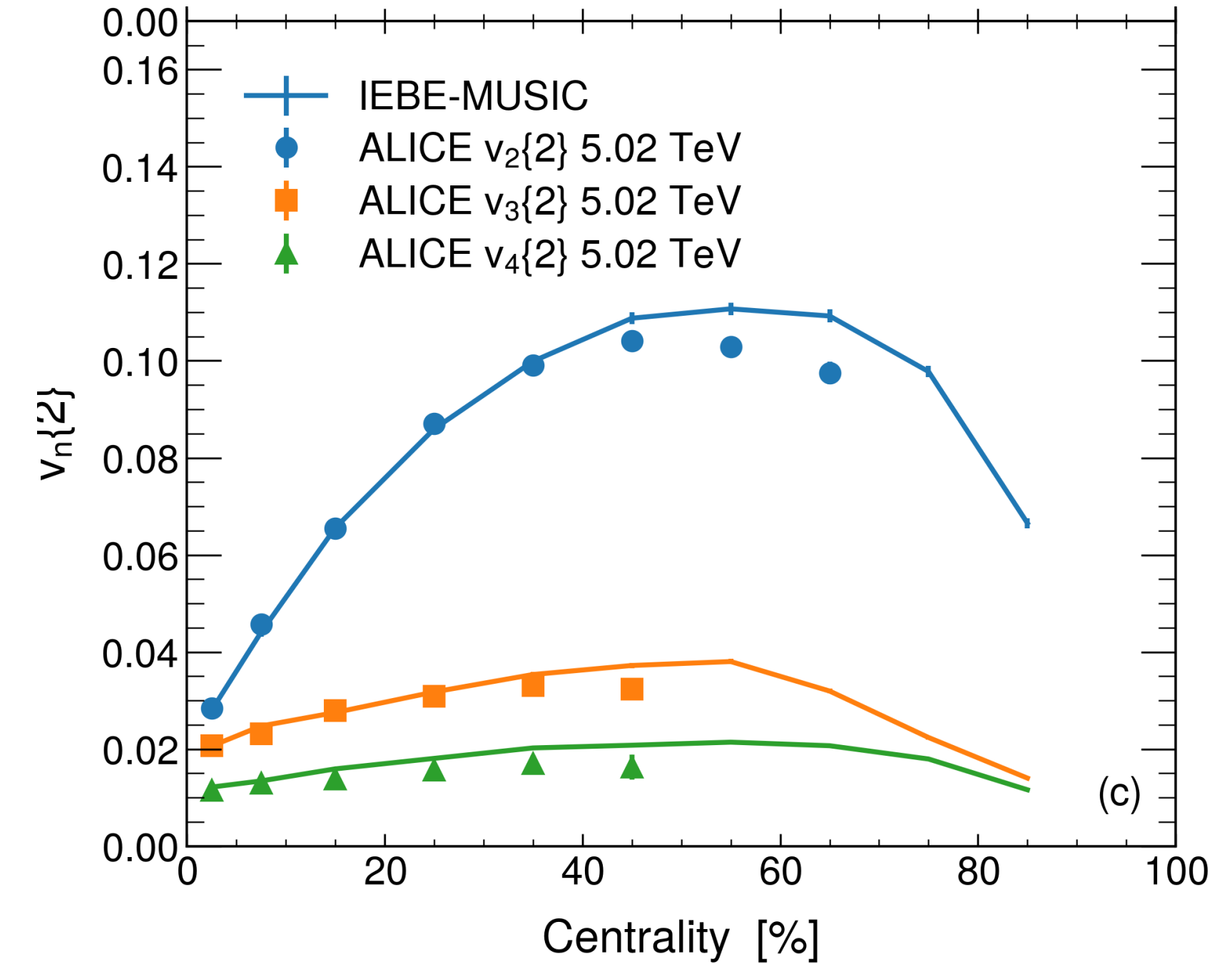
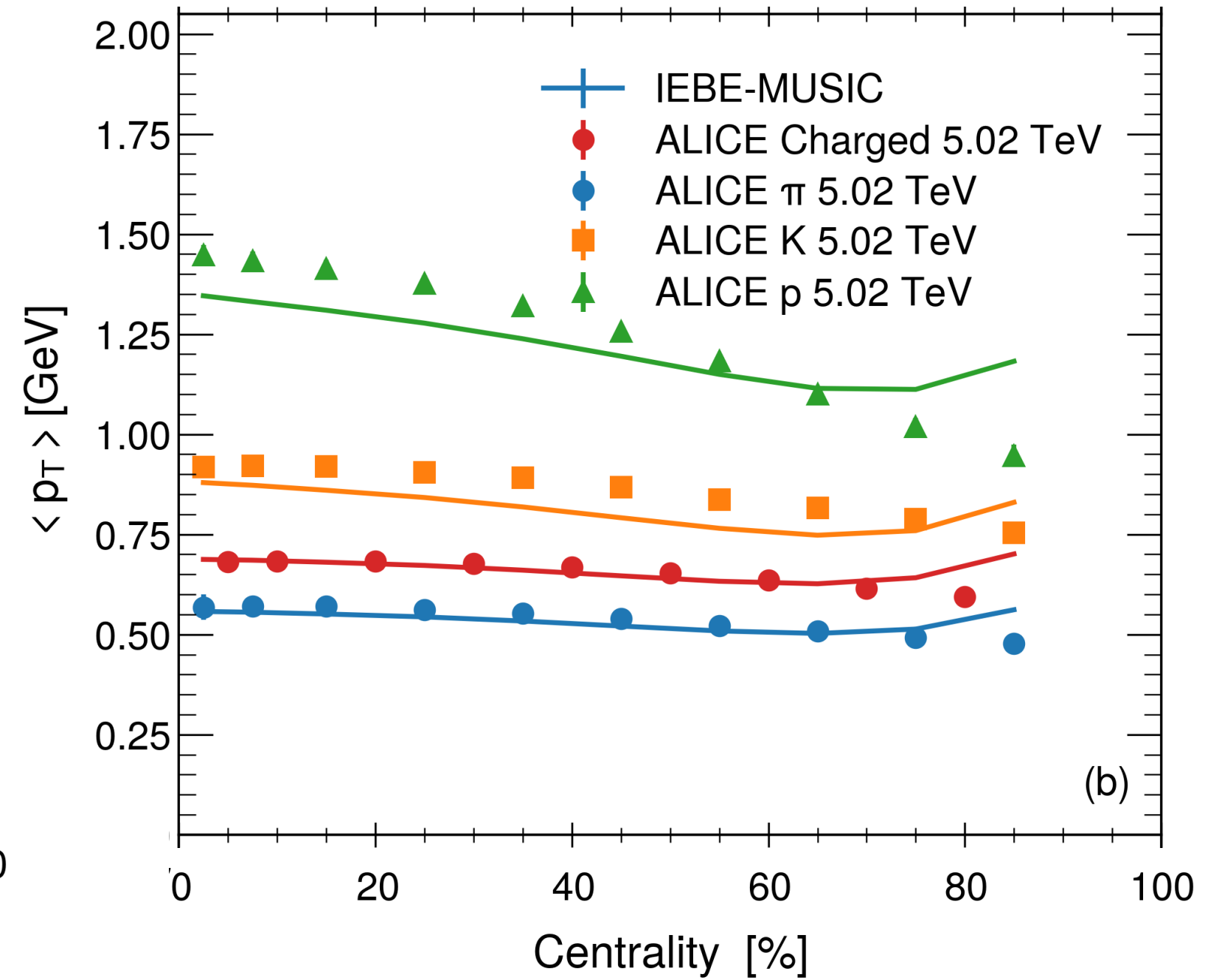
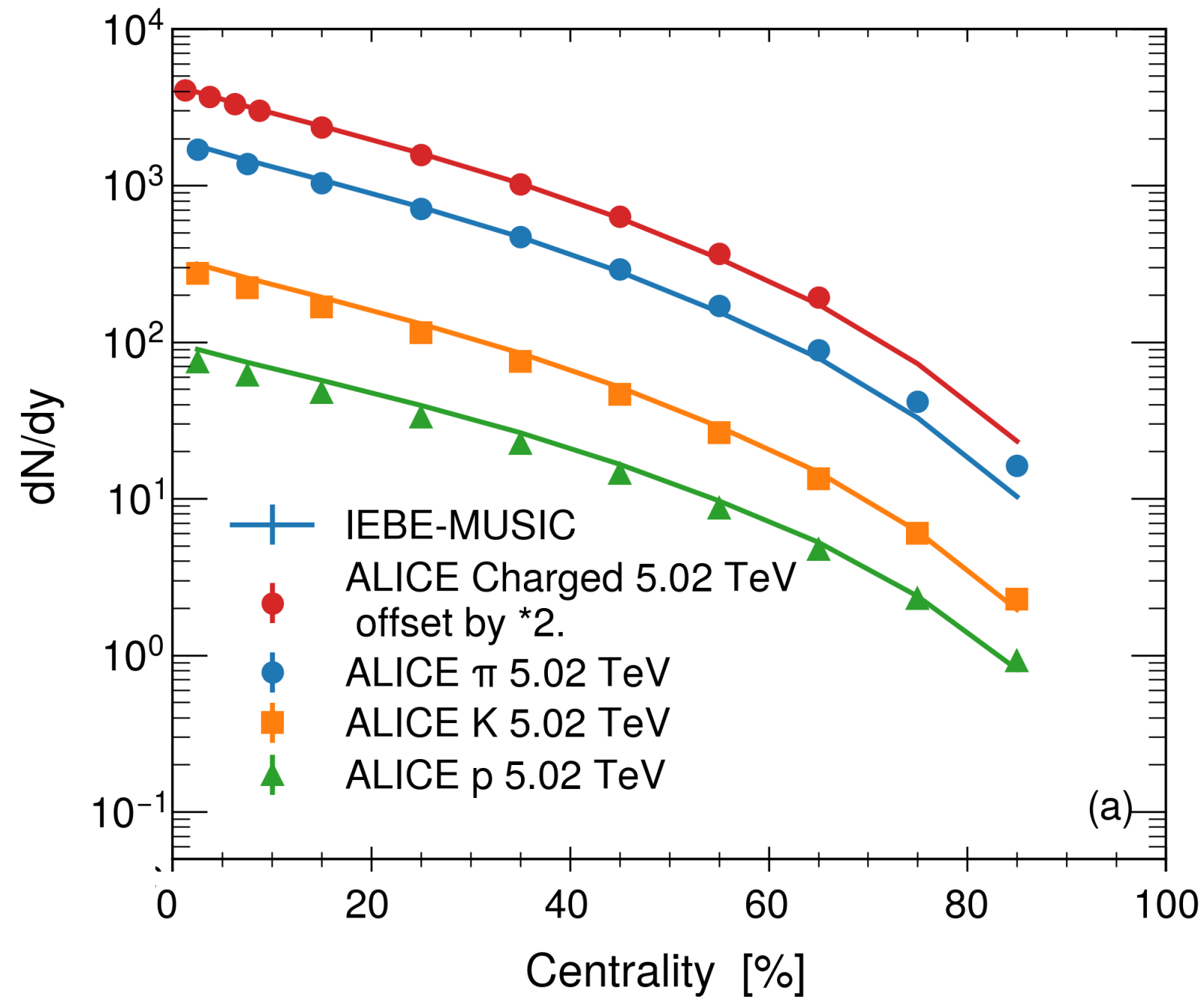
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iEBE-MUSIC Framework



[S. A. Bass et al, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 41, 255–369 (1998)]

Model Calibration



- Hydrodynamic results agree well with hadron multiplicity in all centrality bins.
- Small discrepancy in mean transverse momentum $\langle p_T \rangle$ and anisotropic flow $v_n\{2\}$ originates from vanishing bulk viscosity in IP-Glasma and K \emptyset MP \emptyset ST.
- The discrepancy increases in peripheral collision due to shorter lifetime in hydrodynamic phase.

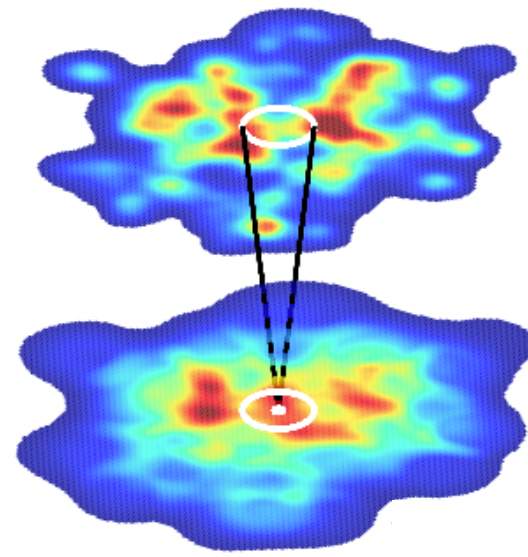
Dilepton Production

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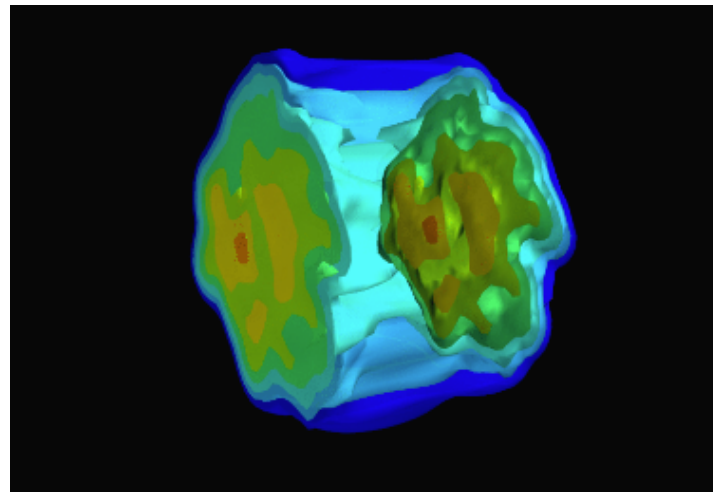
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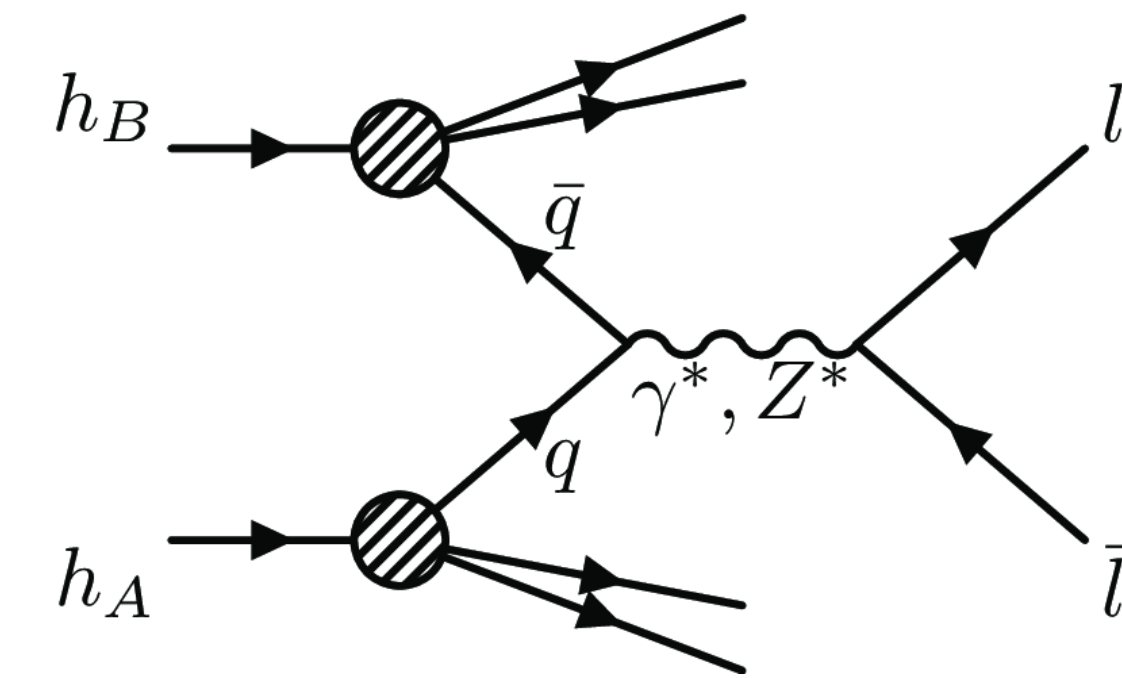
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Hadronic cascade: URQMD

Drell-Yan dilepton



DYTurbo package: NLO order in p+p collision.

In A+A collisions

$$\frac{dN_{ee}^{DY}}{dMdy} = \frac{d\sigma_{ee}^{DY;pp}}{dMdy} \cdot \frac{N_{coll}}{\sigma_{in}^{pp}}$$

nPDF: EPPS16nlo-CT14nlo-Pb208.

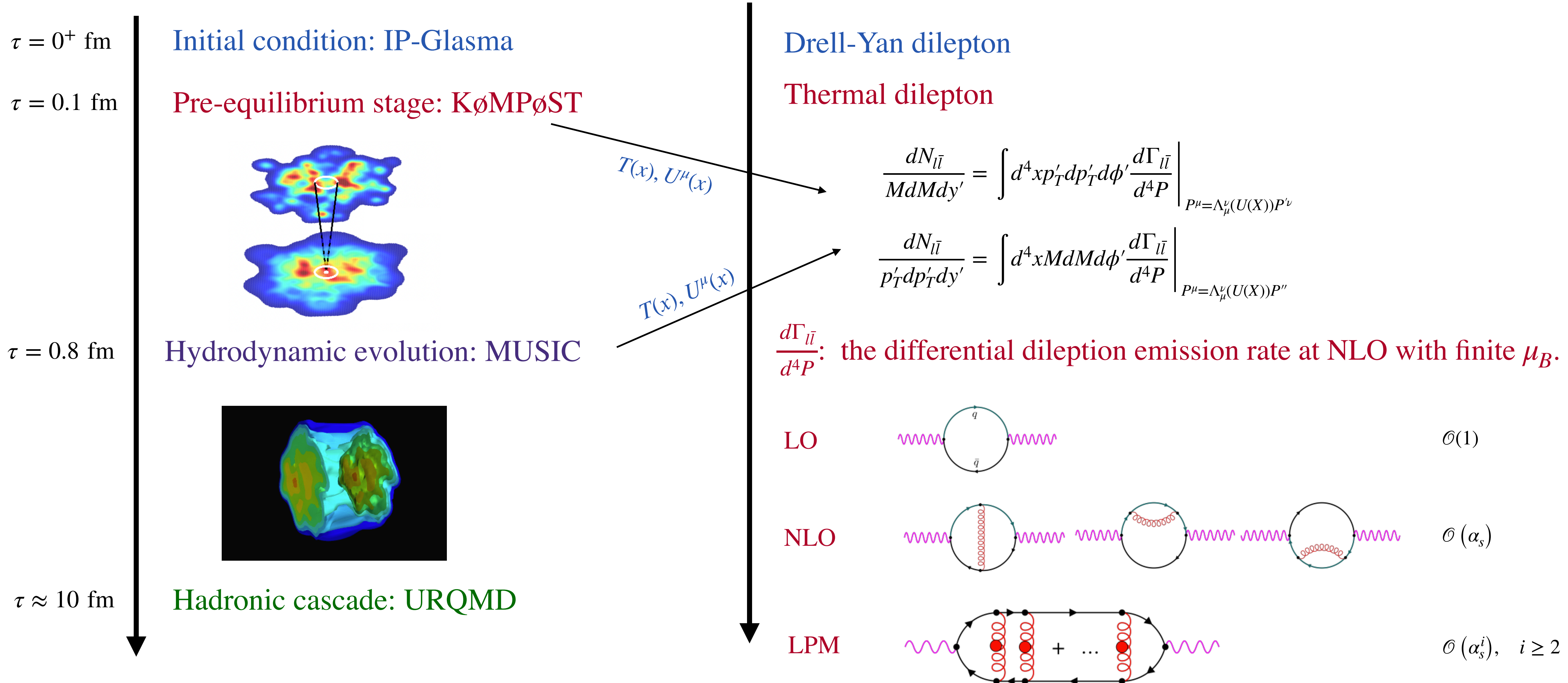
Thickness function: MC-Glauber.

[Camarda et al., EPJC 80, 251 (2020)]

[Eskola, Paakkinen, Paukkunen & Salgado, EPJC 77, 163 (2017)]

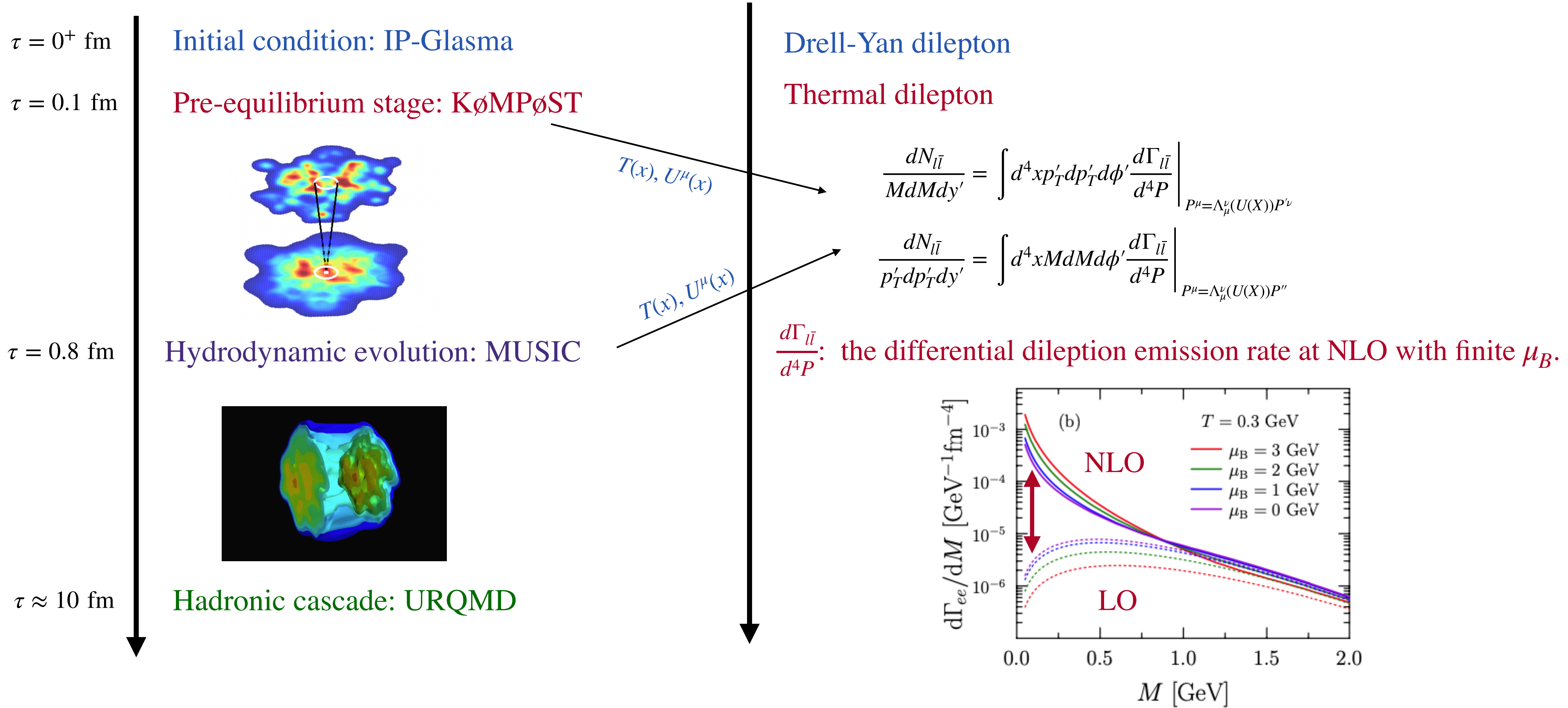
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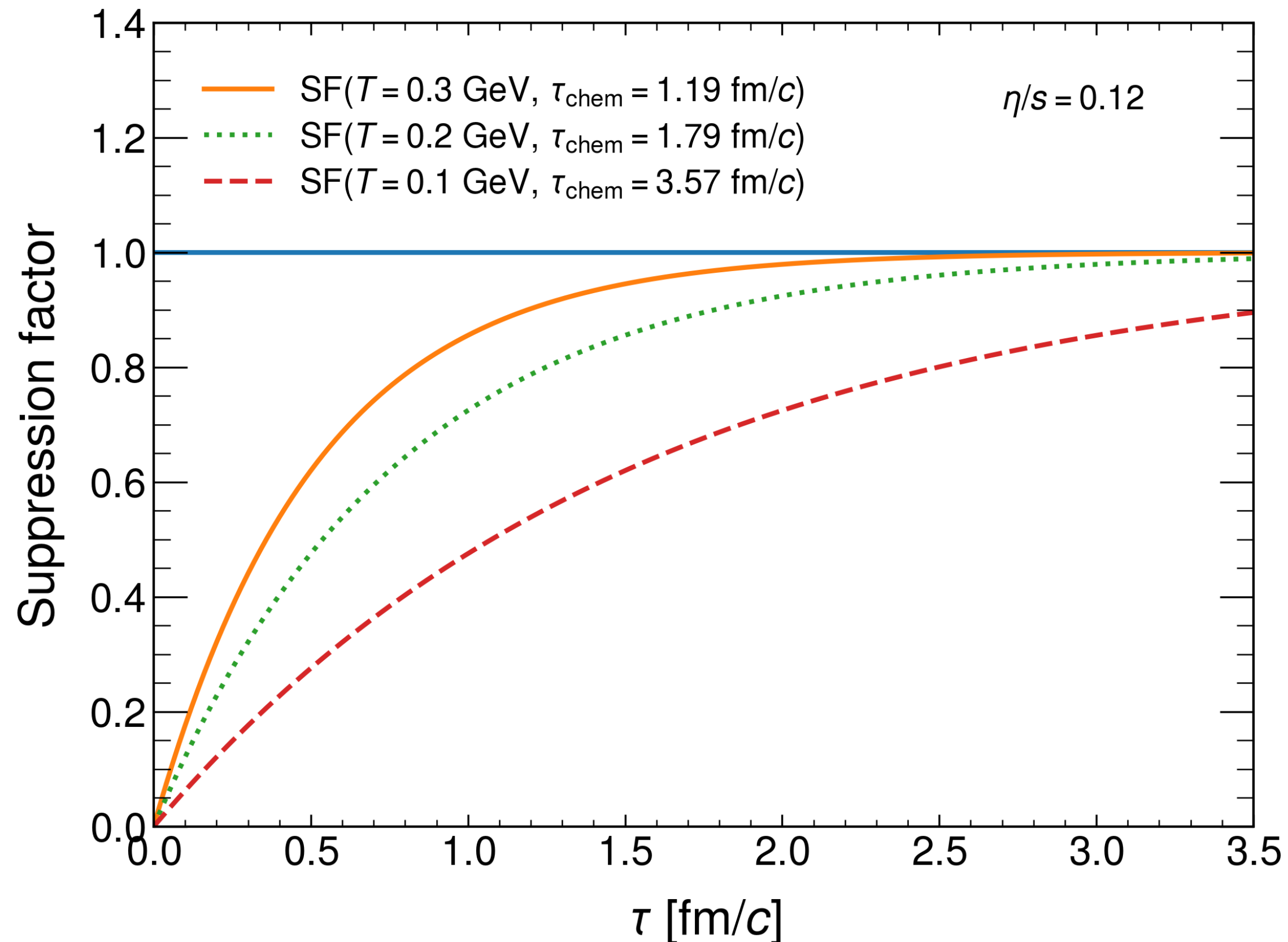
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Dilepton Production



Chemical Equilibrium

- The gluon fields dominate in the early stage.
- Quarks and anti-quarks are produced via $gg \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ and $g \rightarrow q\bar{q}$.
- The effective suppression factor $SF(T, \tau)$ is introduced in relation to chemical relaxation time $\tau_R = 4\pi\eta/Ts$.

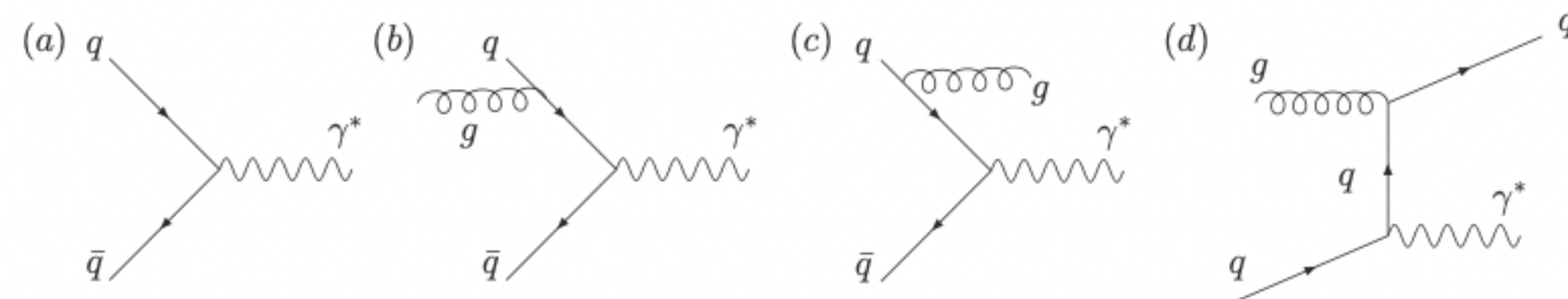


Systems with higher temperatures reach chemical equilibrium faster than those at lower temperatures.

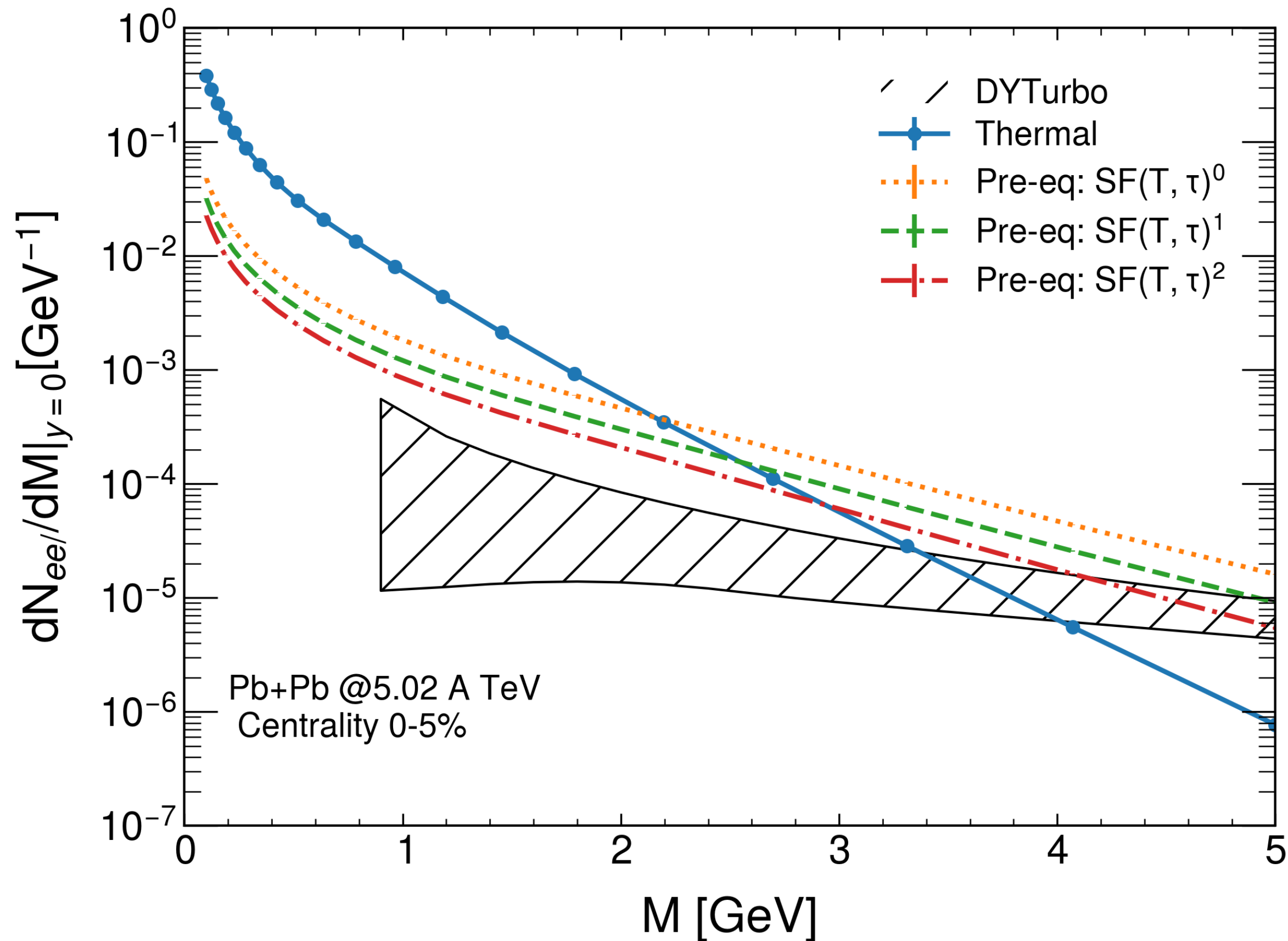
$$\frac{dN_{l\bar{l}}}{MdMdy'} = \int dV SF(T, \tau)^n \frac{d\Gamma_{l\bar{l}}}{d^4P} \Bigg|_{P^\mu = \Lambda_\mu^\nu(U(X))P^\nu} p'_T dp'_T d\phi'$$

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Here $n = 0, 1, 2$.



Dilepton M spectrum

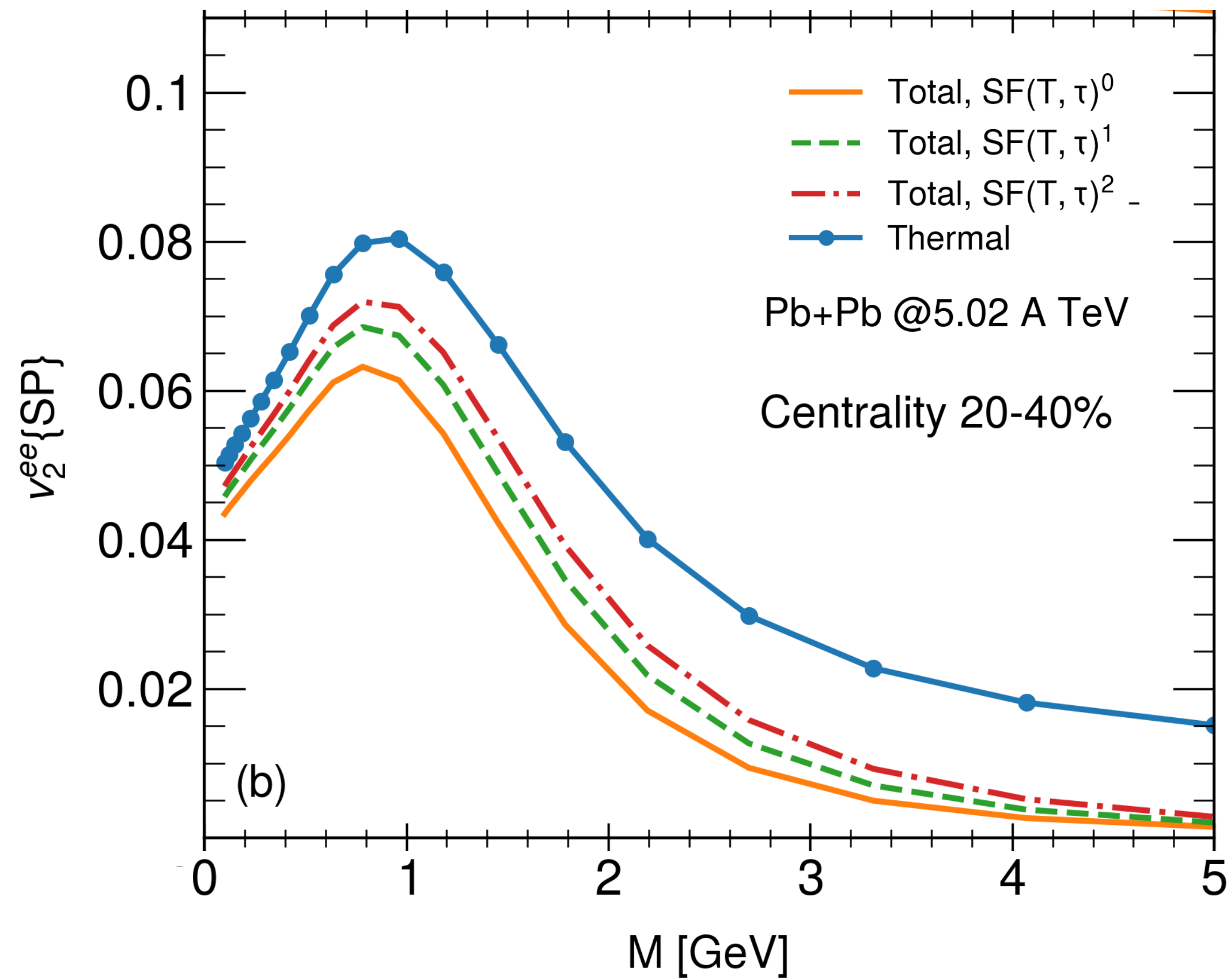


- Thermal dilepton production dominates in the low-mass region (LMR).
- The pre-equilibrium dileptons are the dominant source over thermal dileptons in the intermediate mass region (IMR).
- Drell-Yan dileptons are consistently smaller than the pre-equilibrium contribution until the high-mass region (HMR).
- Dilepton production during the pre-equilibrium phase will be sensitive to the power of suppression factor for chemical equilibrium.

Oscar's Talk@Tue 9:00AM.

[Oscar Garcia-Montero, Philip Plaschke, Sören Schlichting, e-Print: 2403.04846 [hep-ph]]

Dilepton $v_n^{ee}\{SP\}(M)$

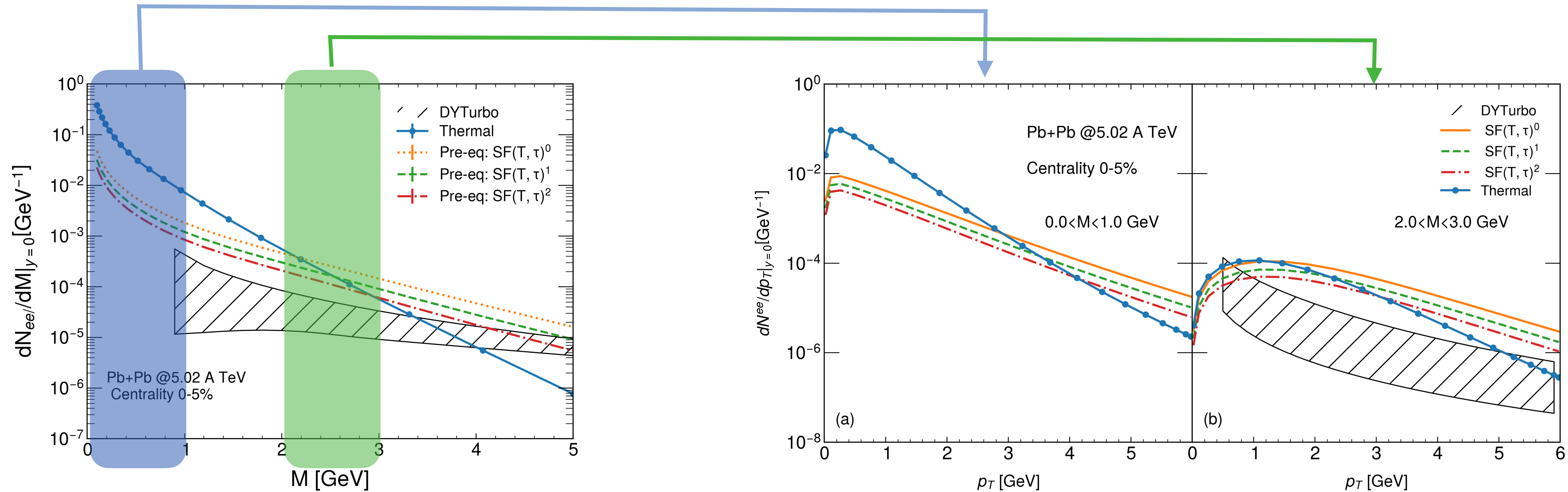


- The scalar-product (SP) method:

$$v_n^{\bar{l}l}\{SP\}(X) = \frac{\left\langle v_n^{\bar{l}l}(X) v_n^h \cos \left\{ n \left[\Psi_n^{\bar{l}l}(X) - \Psi_n^h \right] \right\} \right\rangle}{\sqrt{\left\langle (v_n^h)^2 \right\rangle}}$$

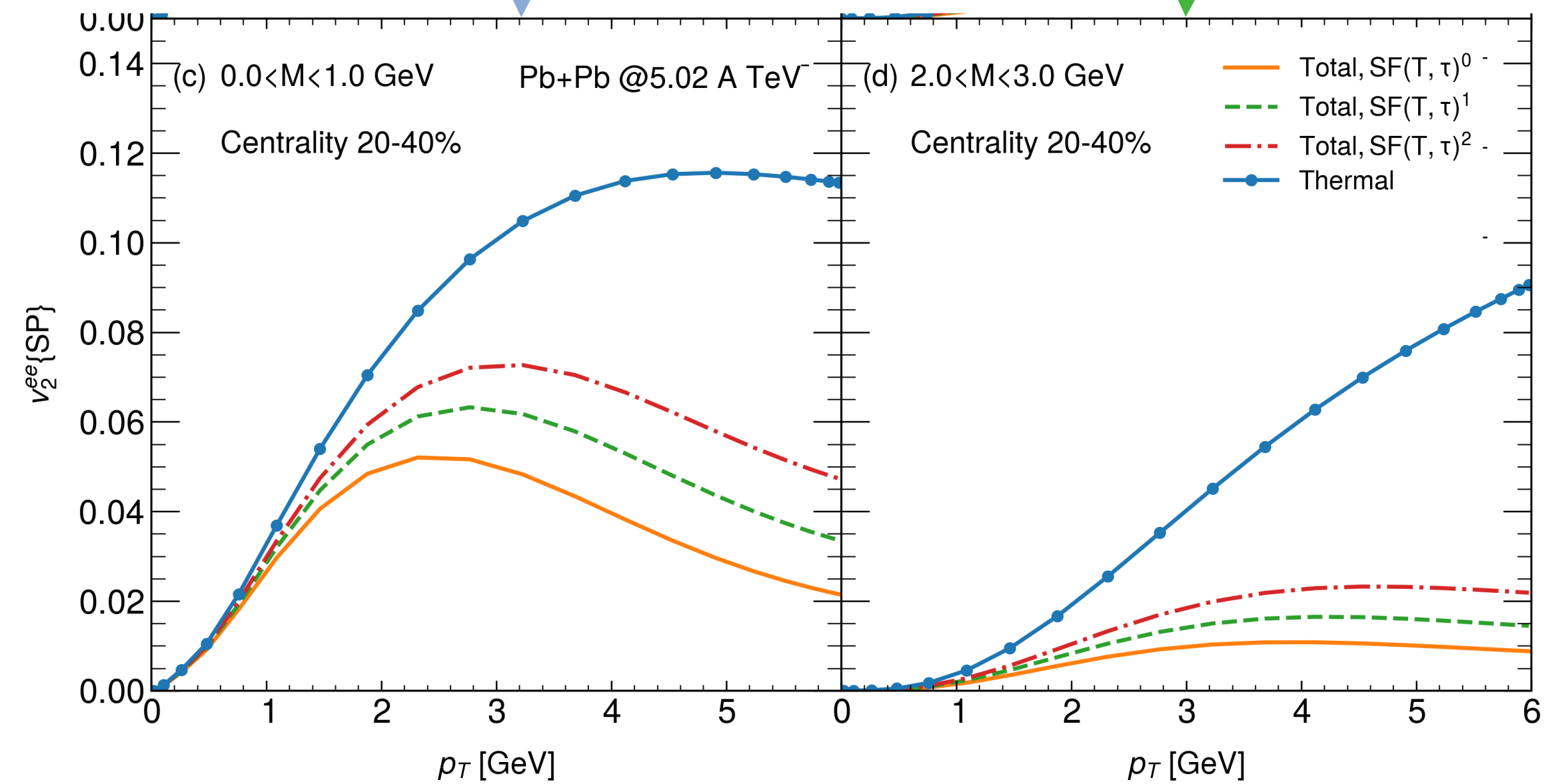
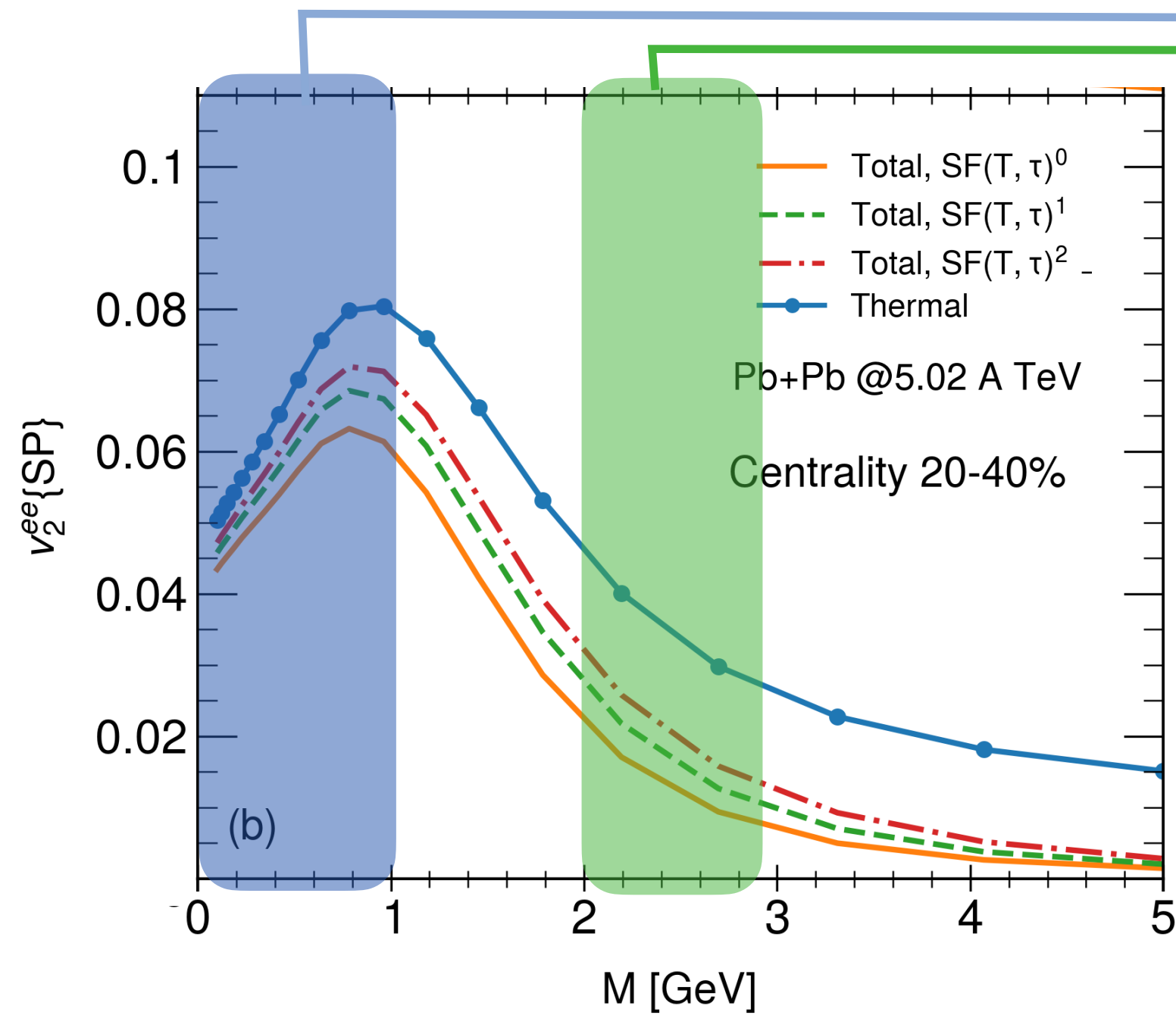
- The total $v_2^{ee}(M)$ will be suppressed due to the almost zero momentum anisotropy in the pre-equilibrium stage.
- For the higher order of the suppression factor, the total dilepton flow $v_2^{ee}(M)$ moves closer to that of thermal dileptons.

Dilepton p_T spectra



- By carefully selecting the invariant mass window, it is possible to reveal the pre-equilibrium stage.
- $0 < M < 1$ GeV:
 - ▶ the thermal dilepton production dominates at low p_T region.
 - ▶ dilepton from the pre-equilibrium stage becomes dominant from intermediate p_T region.
- $2 < M < 3$ GeV:
 - ▶ the pre-equilibrium dilepton is comparable to thermal dilepton production in the low p_T region.
 - ▶ the pre-equilibrium dilepton consistently exceeds both thermal dilepton and Drell-Yan dilepton production.

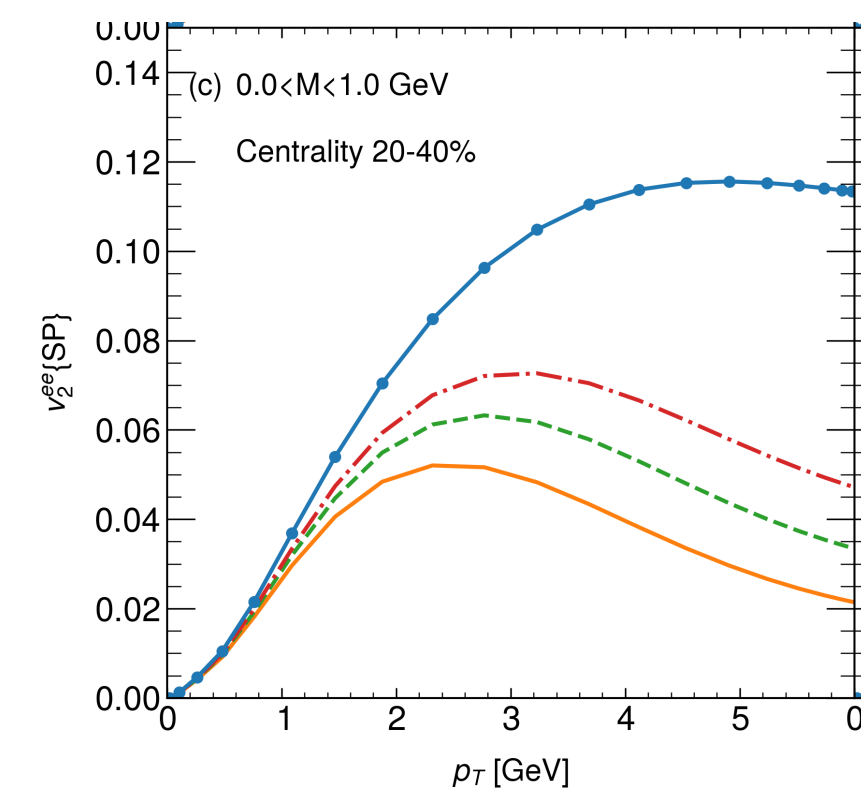
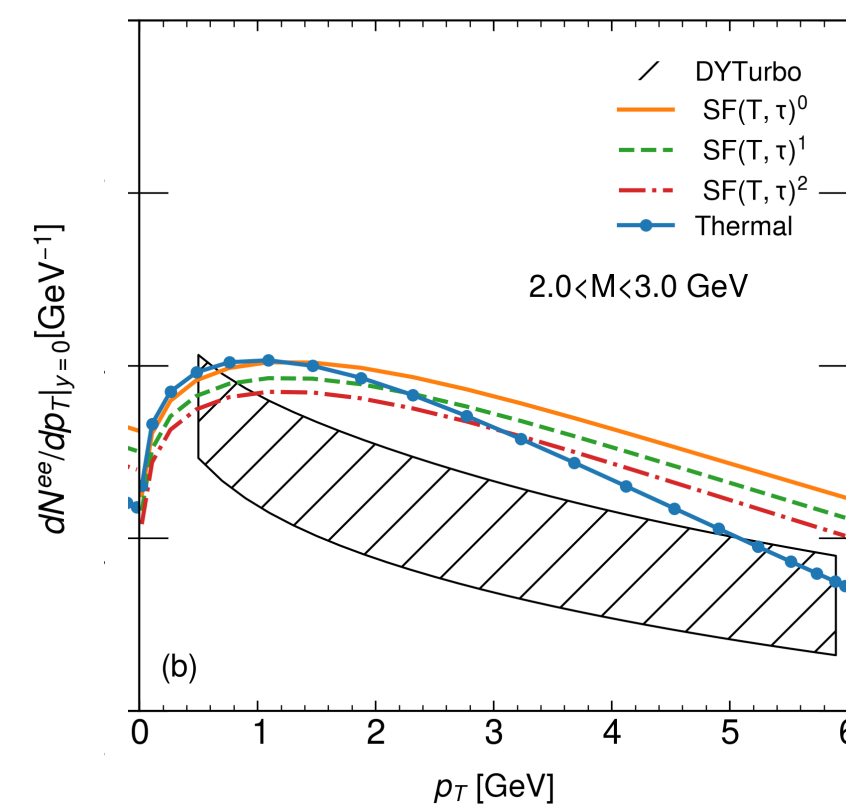
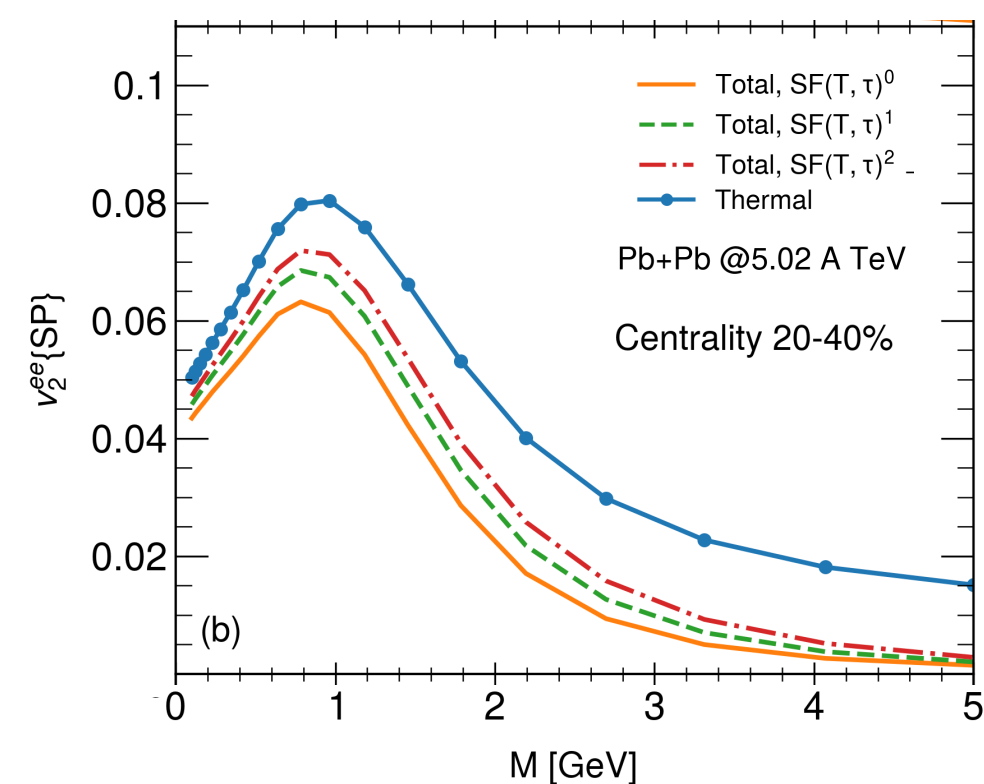
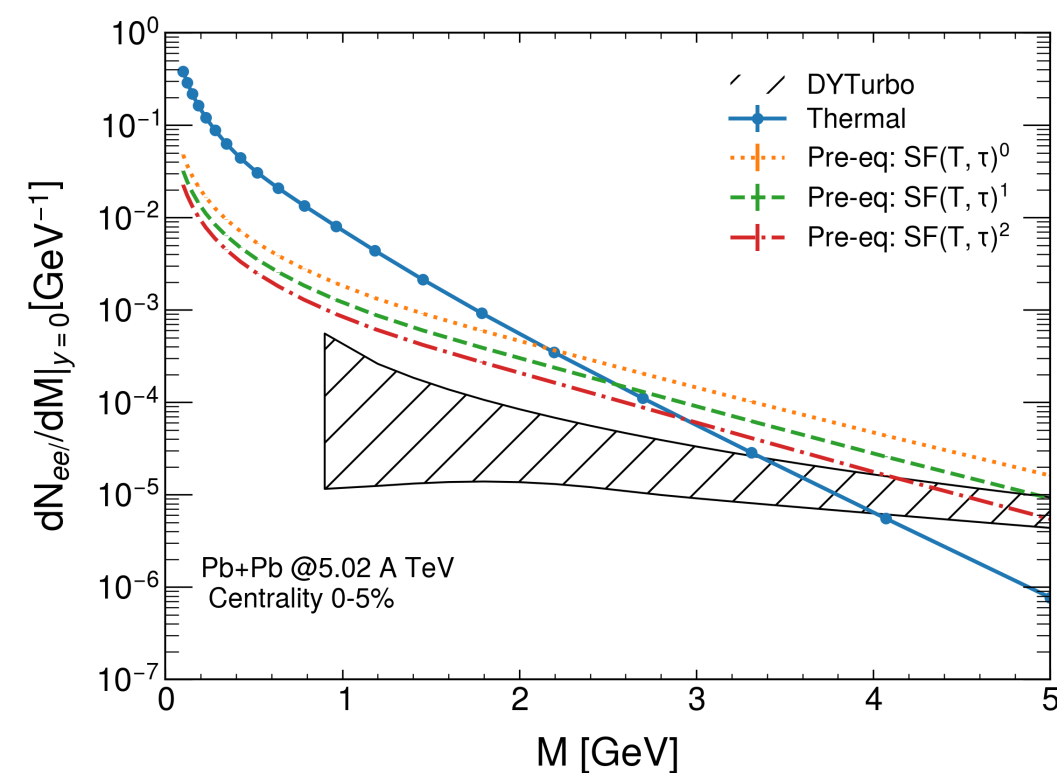
Dilepton $v_n^{ee}\{SP\}(p_T)$



- Total elliptic flow $v_2^{ee}(p_T)$ is highly sensitive to the effects of chemical equilibrium.
- $0 < M < 1$ GeV:
 - ▶ after considering the pre-equilibrium stage, the total dilepton flow $v_2^{ee}(p_T)$ is significantly suppressed.
- $2 < M < 3$ GeV:
 - ▶ the total dilepton elliptic flow $v_2^{ee}(p_T)$ shows a noticeable reduction compared to that in the IMR.

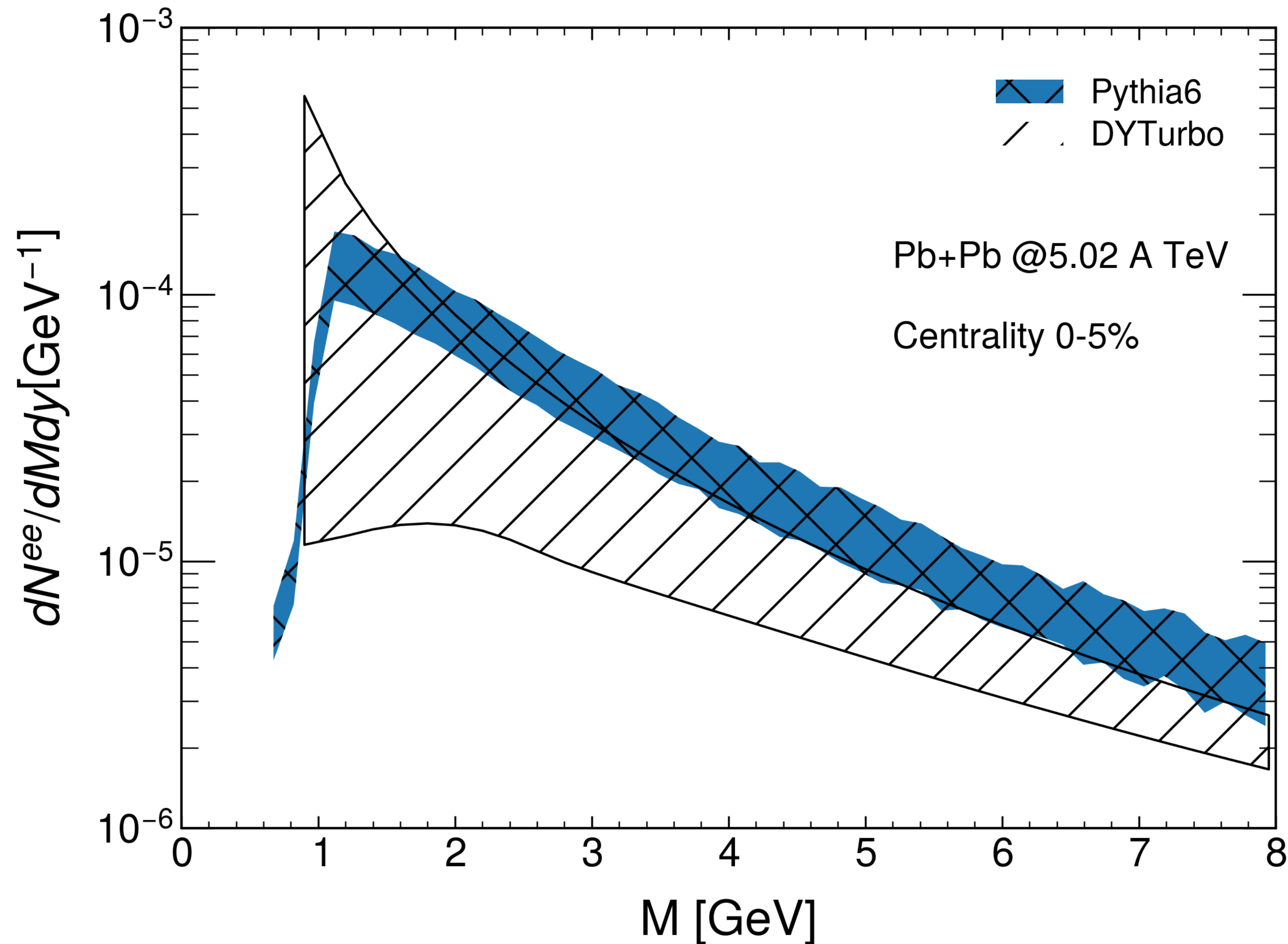
Summary

- Dilepton observables offer an opportunity to explore quark production of the pre-equilibrium stage.
- Dilepton flow could help constrain the effects of chemical equilibrium during the pre-equilibrium stage in the future.
- An analysis of thermal dilepton production and anisotropic flow based on NLO order emission rate is performed in Pb+Pb collisions at a LHC collision energy of $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV.
- The pre-equilibrium dilepton contribution dominates in the IMR, exceeding both Drell-Yan and thermal dilepton production.
- Dilepton production is slightly affected by chemical equilibrium.



Backup

DYTurbo vs Pythia 6



Pythia 6:

PDF CTEQ5L

Bands: K factor, effectively account for higher order corrections.

DYTurbo:

Bands:

NLO, factorization and renormalization scales.

Upper limits: $2m_{ll}$, lower limit: $0.5m_{ll}$.

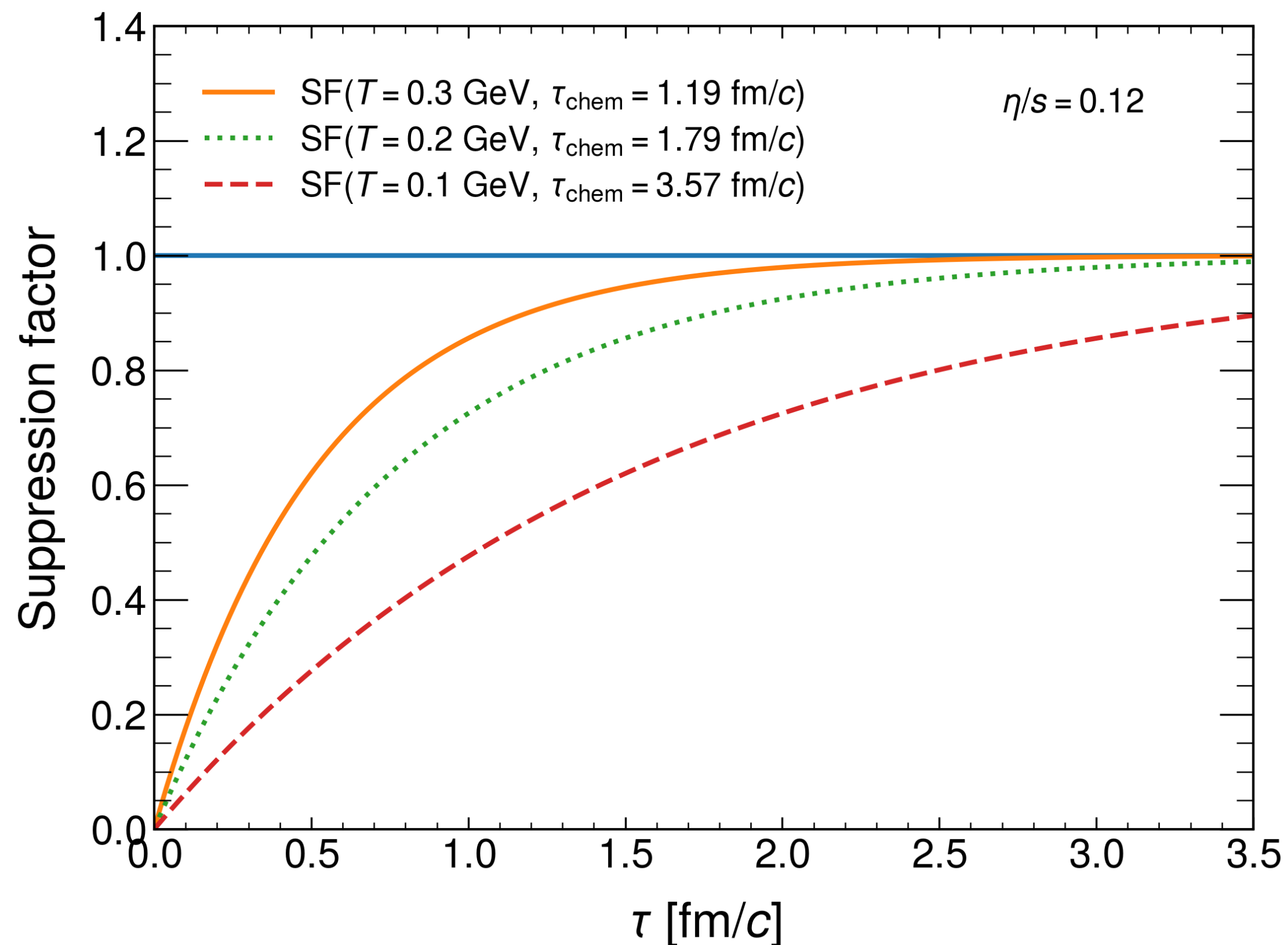
Parton distribution functions and fragmentation functions limits scale $Q \sim 1\text{GeV}$.

Chemical Equilibrium

Introduce an effective suppression factor (SF) to include the process of the establishment of chemical equilibrium

$$\text{SF}(T, \tau) = 1 - e^{-A \frac{\tau}{\tau_R(T)}}$$

with chemical relaxation time $\tau_R = 4\pi\eta/Ts$

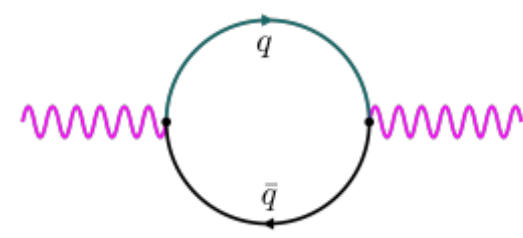


The chemical equilibrium is found to be $\tau_{\text{chem}} = 1.2\tau_R$. The constant A can be determined by requiring $\text{SF}(\tau_{\text{chem}}) = 0.9$.

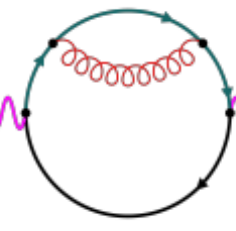
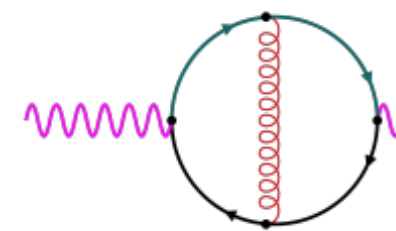
[Kurkela & Mazeliauskas, PRL 122, 142301 (2019), PRD 99, 054018 (2019)]

How to combine NLO and LPM

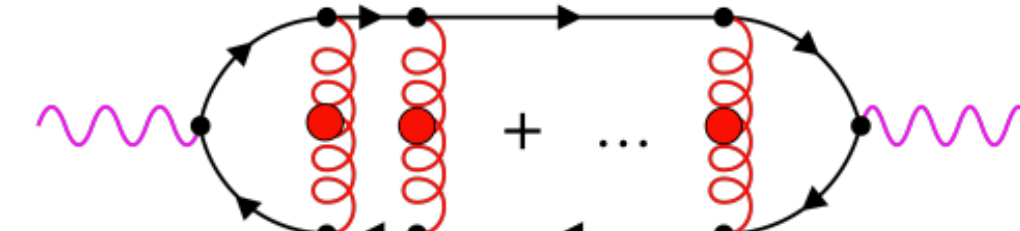
$$\rho_i|_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{resummed}} \equiv \rho_i|_{1\text{-loop}}^{\text{strict}} + \rho_i|_{2\text{-loop}}^{\text{strict}} + \left(\rho_i|_{\text{LPM}}^{\text{full}} - \rho_i|_{\text{LPM}}^{\text{expanded}} \right)$$



LO
 $\mathcal{O}(1)$

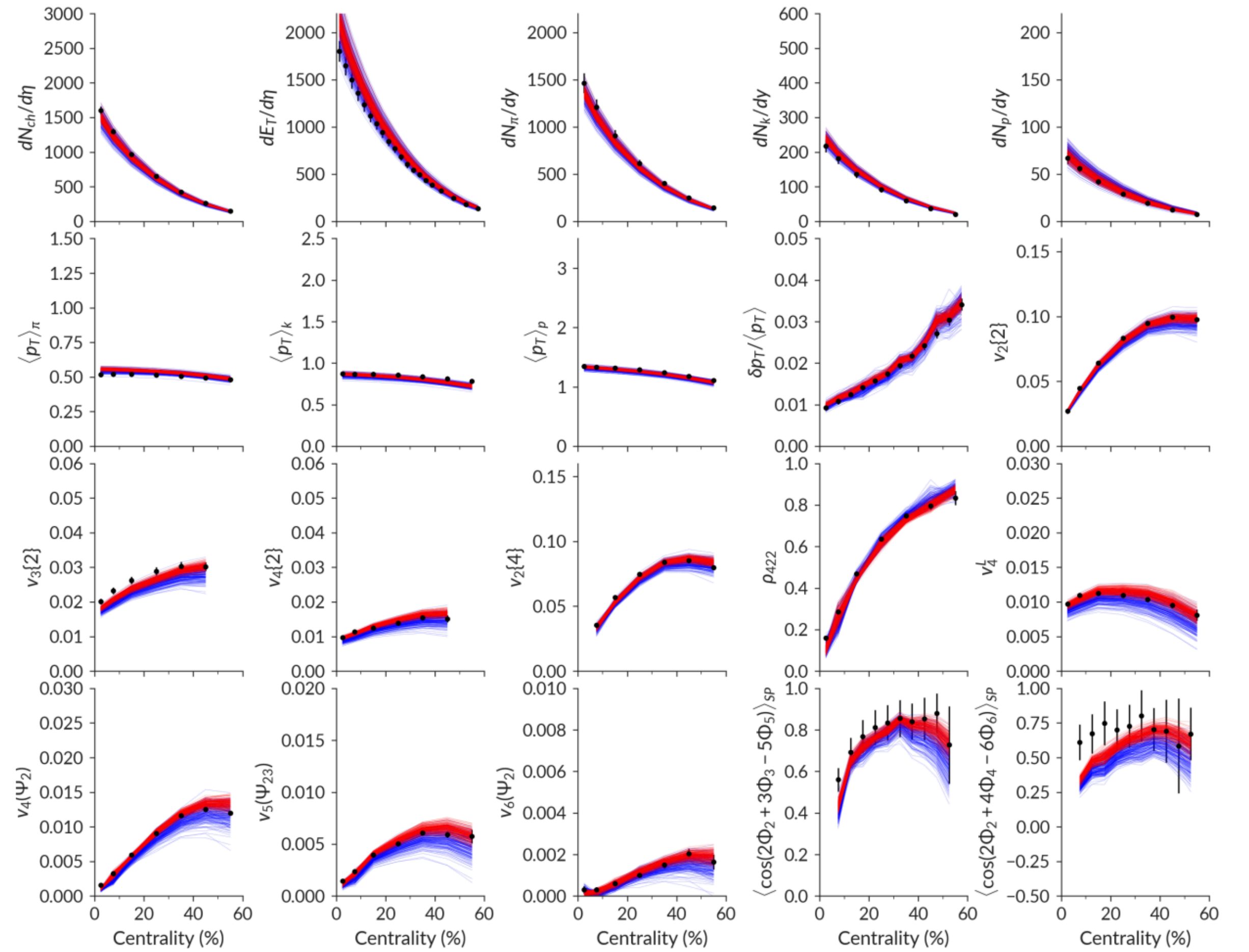
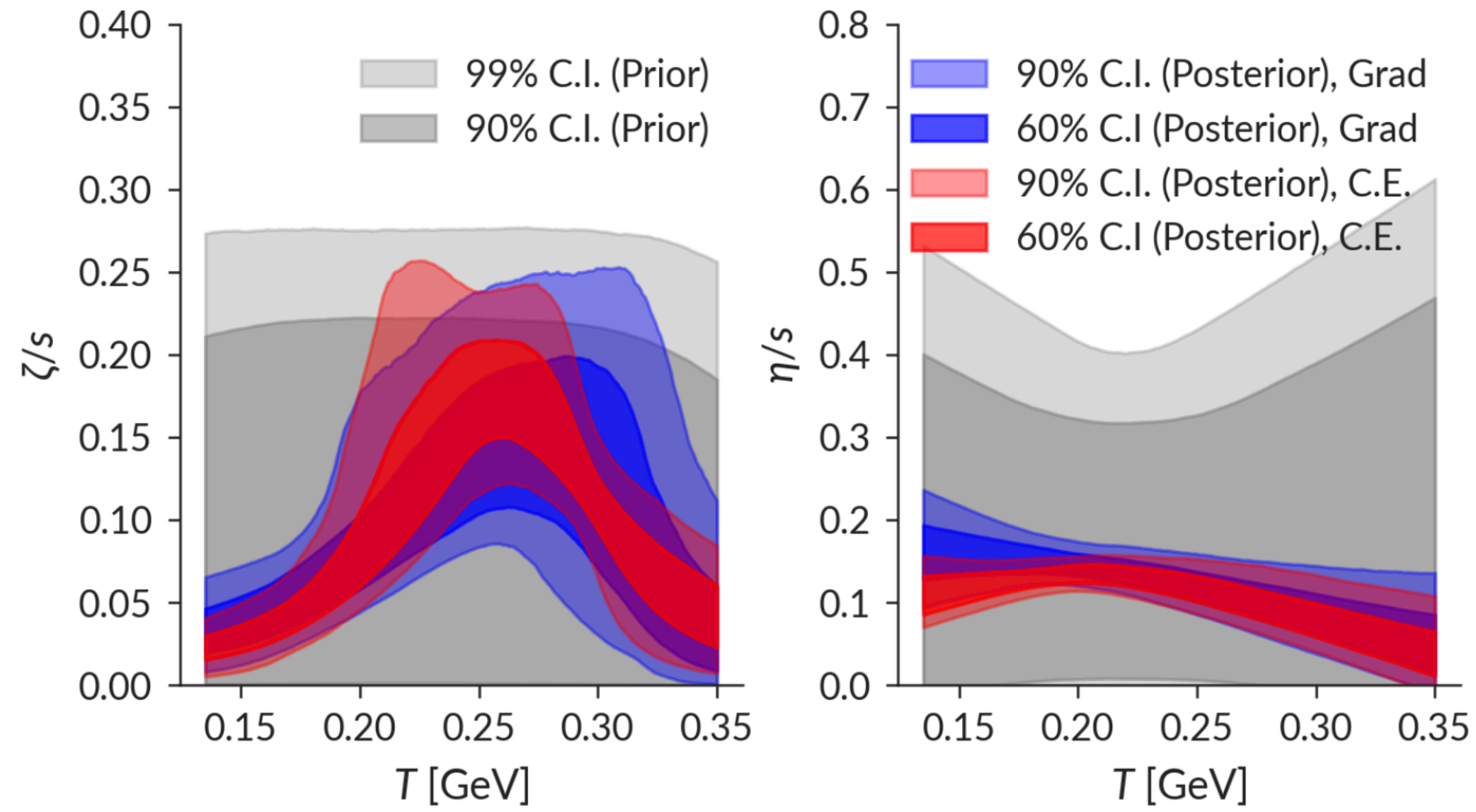


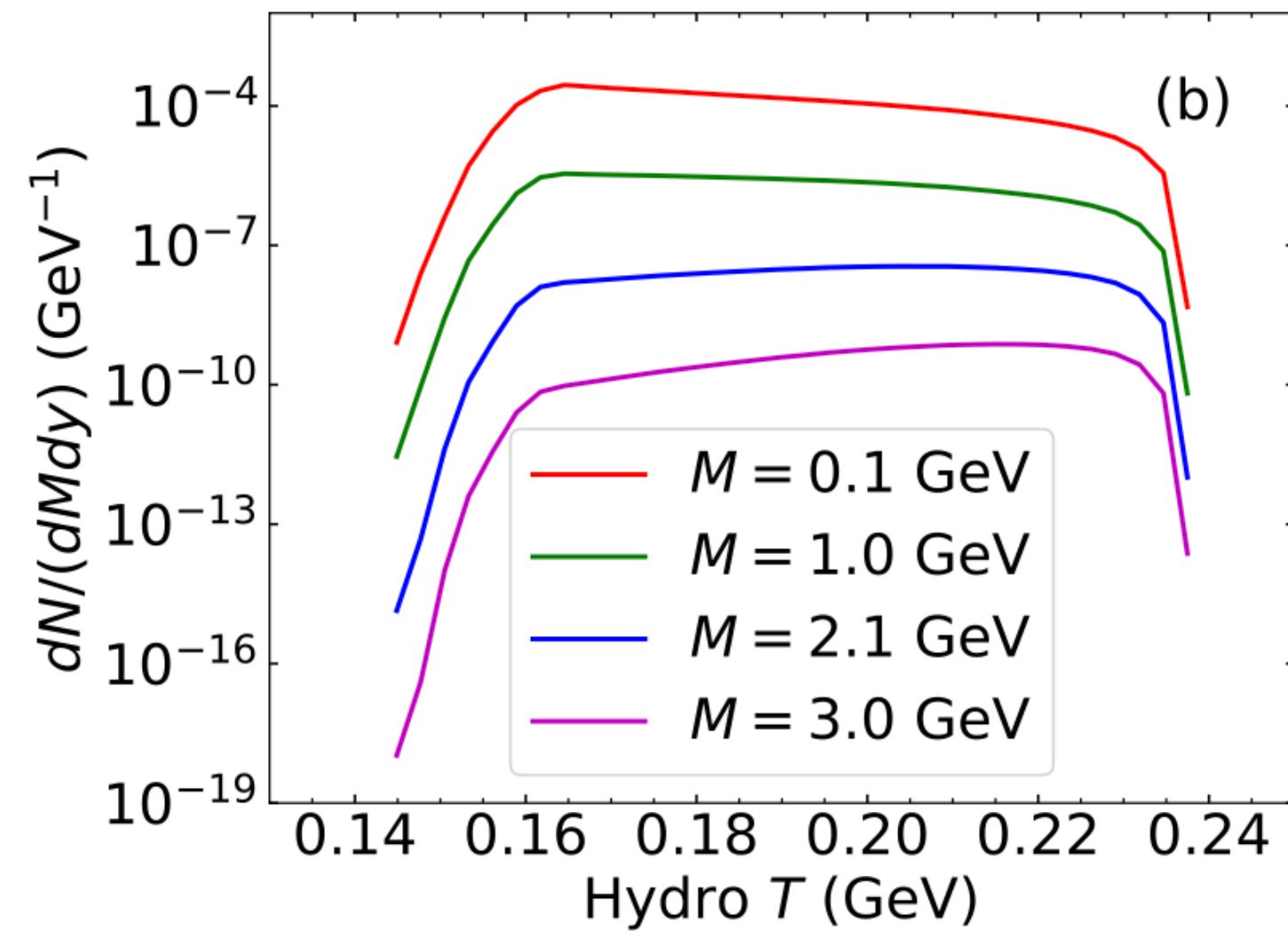
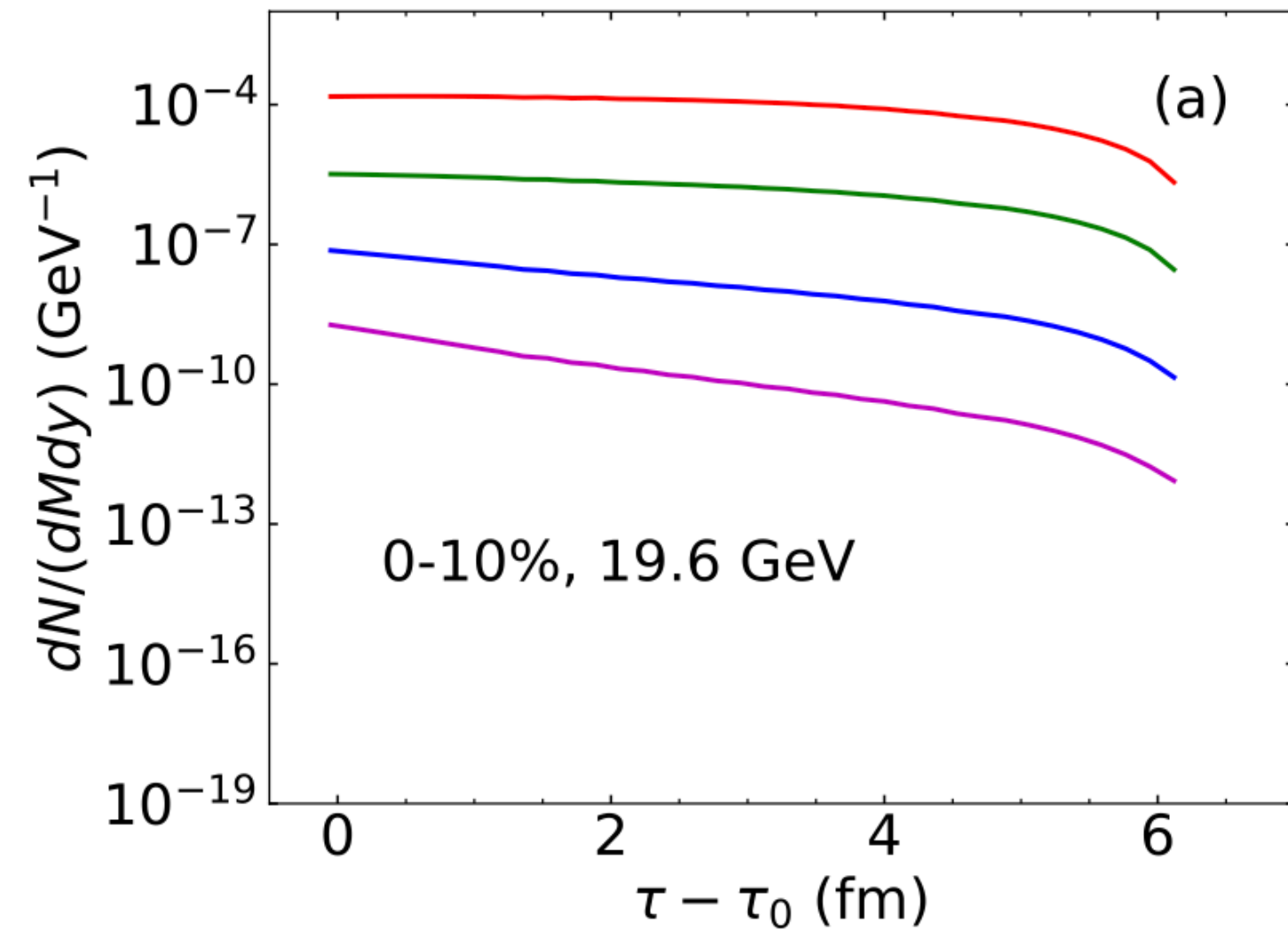
NLO
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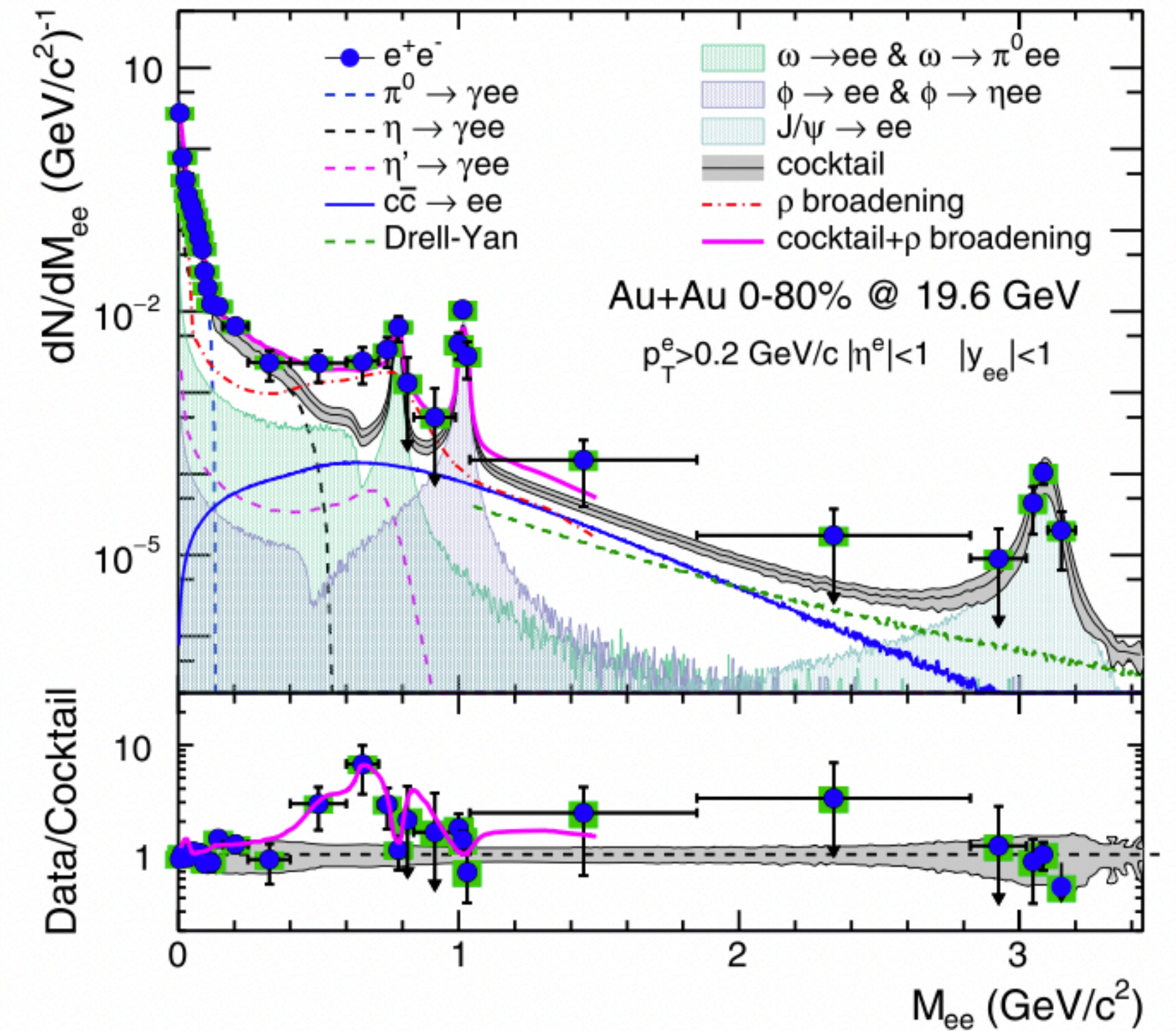
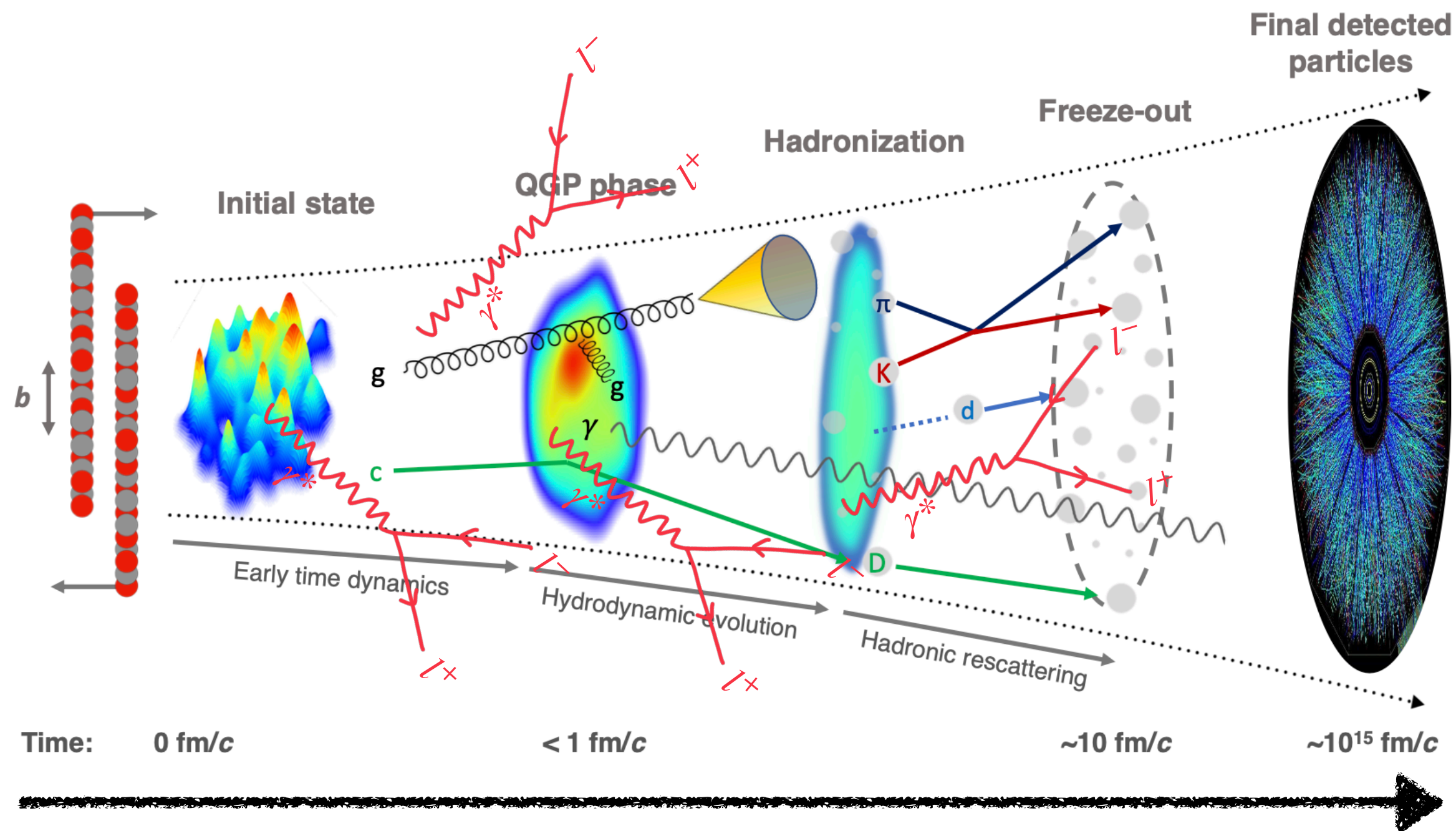
LPM
 $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^i), i \geq 2$

Model





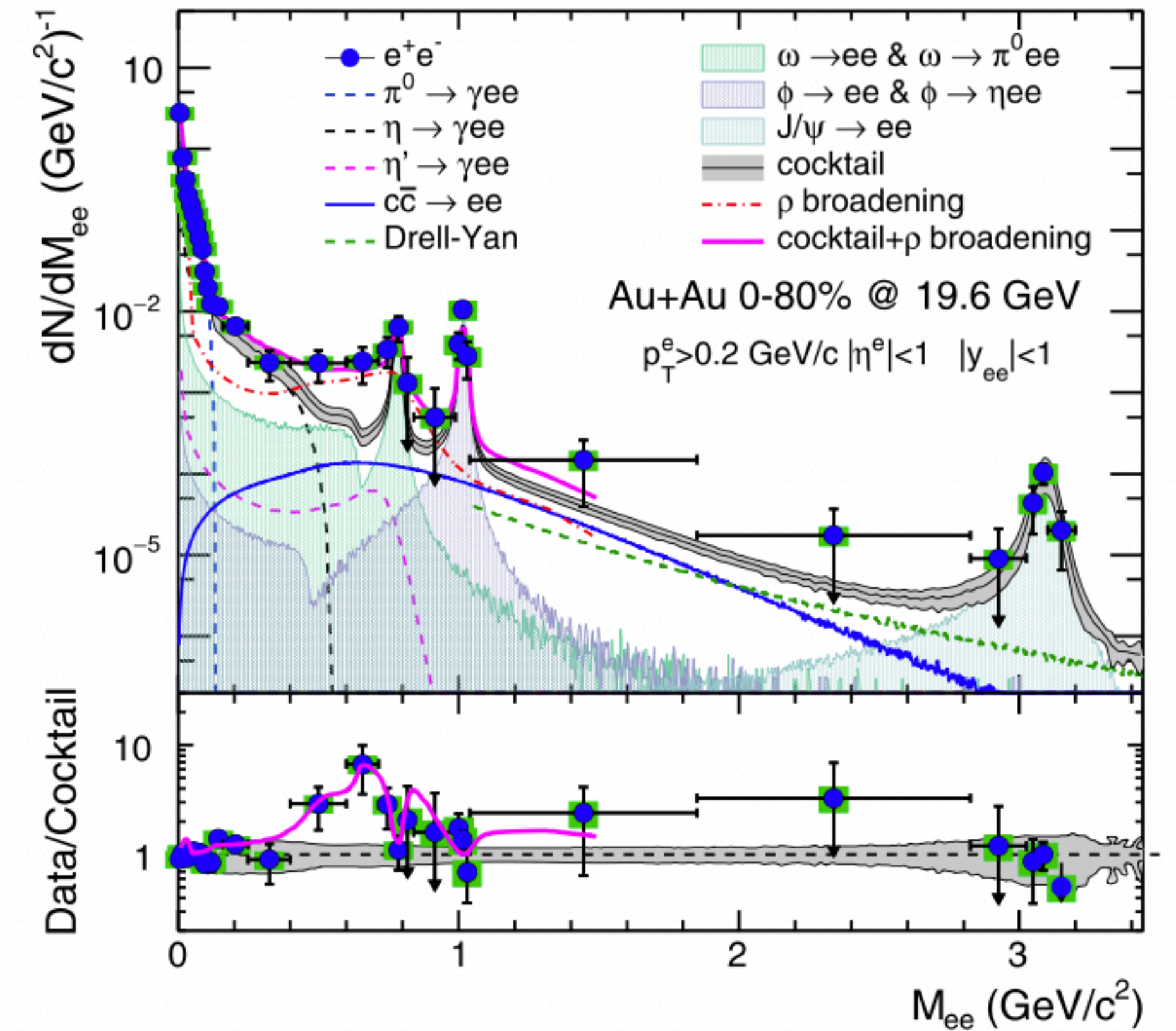
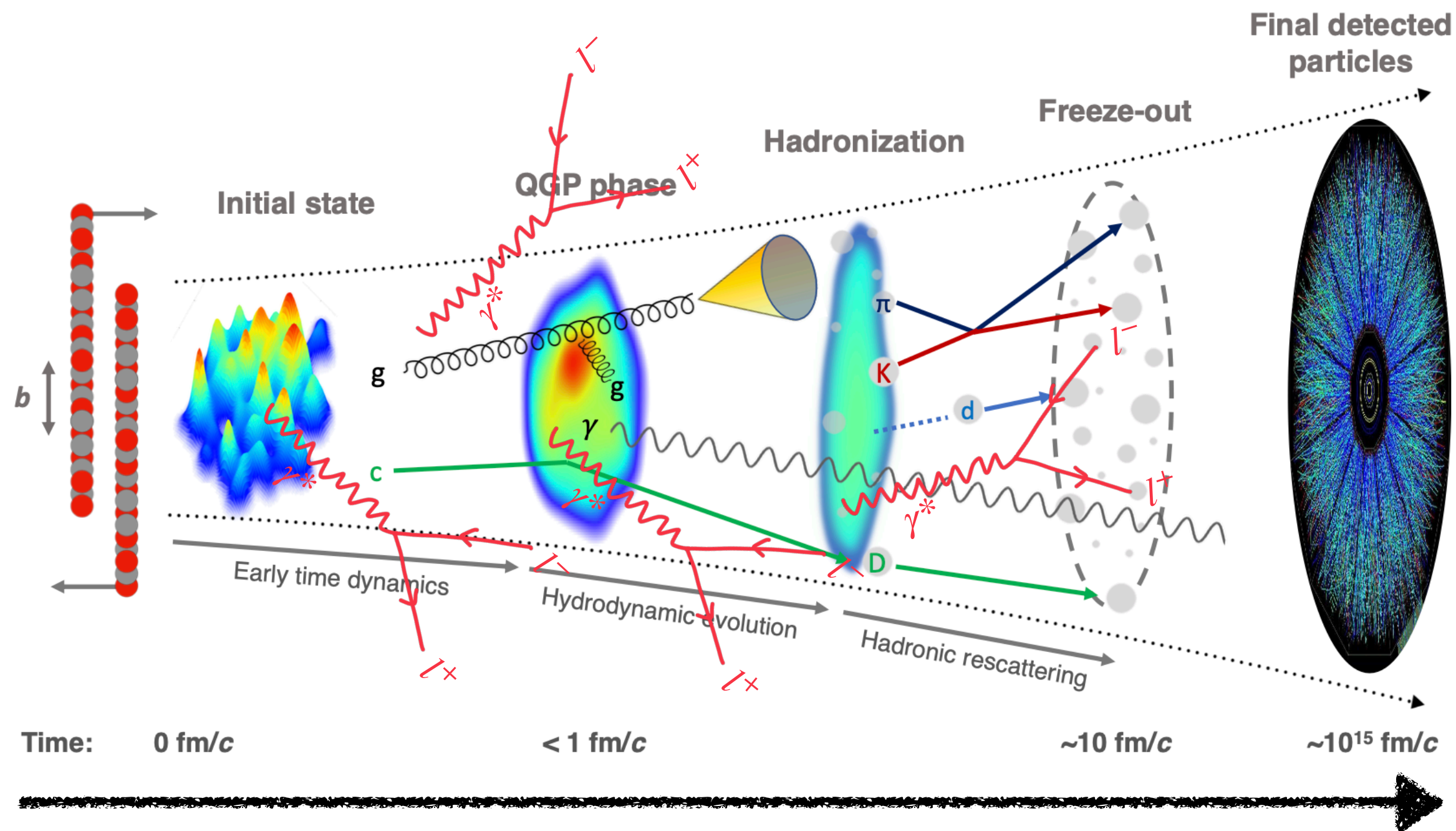
A blessing and a curse



Dilepton from different stages are a blend together from experimental side.

- The low-mass region (LMR, $0 < M < 1.1 \text{ GeV}$): the decays of light mesons.
- The intermediate mass region (IMR, $1.1 < M < 3 \text{ GeV}$): thermal dilepton and decays of open heavy flavor.
- The high-mass region (HMR, $M > 3 \text{ GeV}$): Drell-Yan process and quarkonium decays.

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