

# *Status and future prospects of saturation in proton-nucleus collisions*

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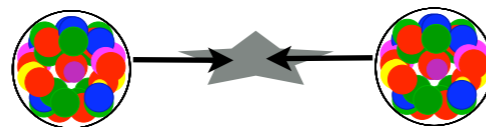
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**3 PARTICLE PRODUCTION:**



$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle [\phi^2, \dots, \phi^n]$$

Factorization theorems only hold for certain, very inclusive observables

Most processes calculated only to LO accuracy

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Fit with only light quarks



preasymptotic

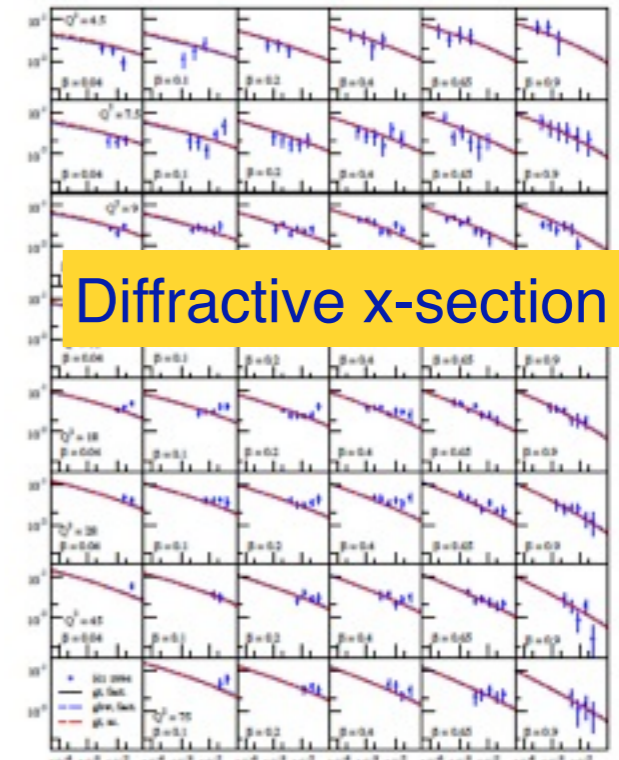
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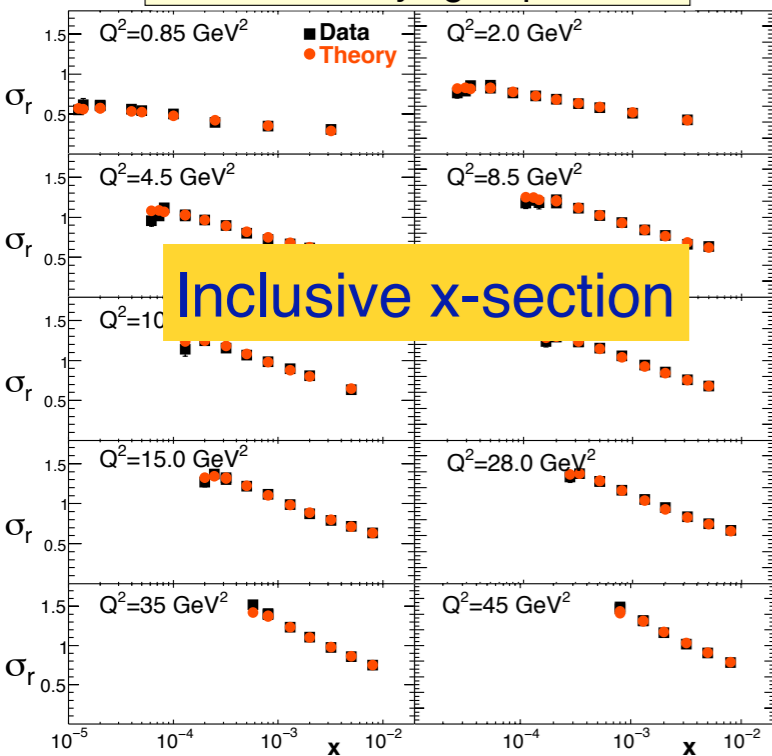
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Relatively simple system, better understood theoretically. Abundant quality data down to  $x \sim 10^{-6}$

**ALL** heavy ion phenomenological works use input from e+p

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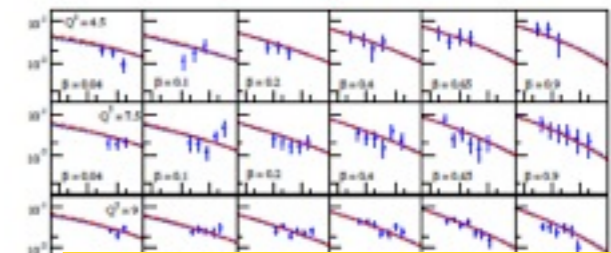
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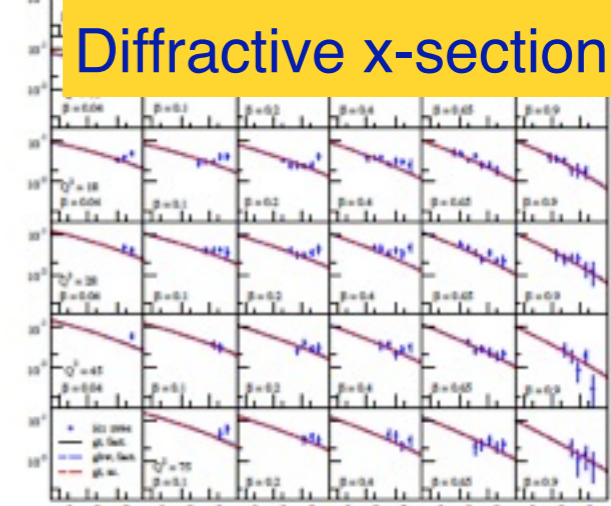


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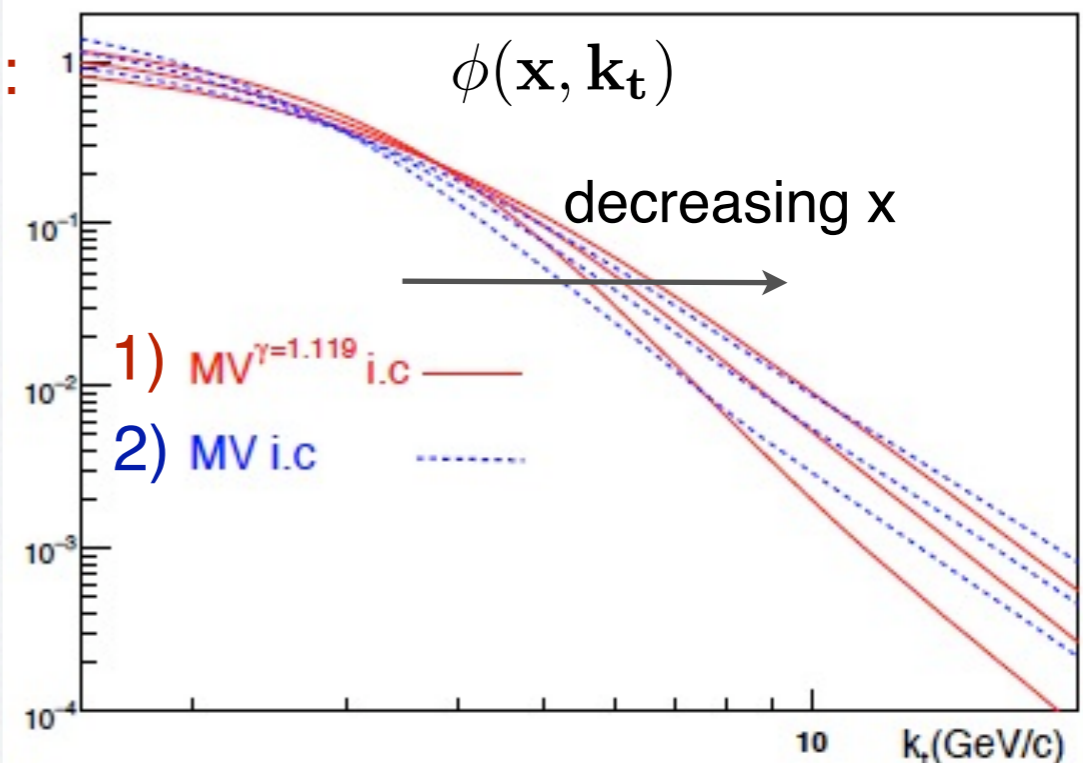
✗ Poor determination of the high- $k_t$  behavior of ugd's:

Differences persist in the relevant  $x$ -range for LHC predictions

$$\phi(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{k}_t \gg \mathbf{Q}_s) \sim \frac{1}{\mathbf{k}_t^{2\gamma}}, \quad \gamma \sim 0.85 \div 1.28$$

✗ Correlation between dynamical input and high- $k_t$  behavior (scaling vs pre-asymptotic fits)

✗ Fits with  $b$ -dependence: high sensitivity to gluon mass

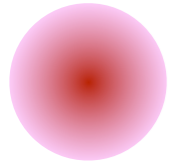


# How to deal with b-dependence? Building nuclei from nucleons:

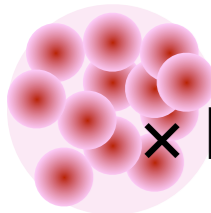
$$\phi^A(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{k}_t, \mathbf{B}) = \phi^P(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{k}_t, \mathbf{Q}_{sp}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{Q}_{sA}^2(\mathbf{B}))$$



1. Trivial:  $\bar{Q}_s^{2,A} \sim A^{1/3} Q_s^{2,N}$



2. Mean field:  $Q_s^{2,A}(\mathbf{B}) \sim T_A(\mathbf{B}) Q_s^{2,N}$



3. Monte Carlo (realistic i.c for heavy ion collisions)

a). Initial conditions for the evolution ( $x=0.01$ )

$$N(\mathbf{R}) = \sum_{i=1}^A \Theta \left( \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_0}{\pi}} - |\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{r}_i| \right) \longrightarrow Q_{s0}^2(\mathbf{R}) = N(\mathbf{R}) Q_{s0, \text{nucl}}^2$$

b) Solve **local** rcBK evolution at each transverse point

$$\varphi(x_0 = 0.01, k_t, \mathbf{R})$$

rcBK equation  
or KLN model

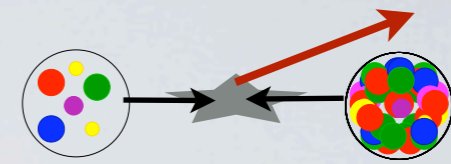
$$\varphi(x, k_t, \mathbf{R})$$

Nucleons can be regarded as disks (●) or gaussian (●) or ...

Is using the same functional form for proton and nuclei u.g.d a good idea?

Is diffusion in the transverse plane negligible?

# Single Inclusive forward hadron production



$(p_T, y_h \gg 0)$

pdf (proj)

CGC 2-point function

fragmentation

$$\frac{dN^{pA \rightarrow hX}}{d^2p_T d\eta} = \frac{K}{(2\pi)^2} \left[ \int_{x_F}^1 \frac{dz}{z^2} \left[ x_1 f_g(x_1, Q^2) N_A(x_2, \frac{p_T}{z}) D_{h/g}(z, Q) + \sum_q x_1 f_q(x_1, Q^2) N_F(x_2, \frac{p_T}{z}) D_{h/q}(z, Q) \right] \right. \\ \left. + \int_{x_F}^1 \frac{dz}{z^2} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi^2} \frac{z^4}{p_T^4} \int_{k_T^2 < Q^2} d^2k_T k_T^2 N_F(k_T, x_2) \int_{x_1}^1 \frac{d\xi}{\xi} \sum_{i,j=q,\bar{q},g} w_{i/j}(\xi) P_{i/j}(\xi) x_1 f_j(\frac{x_1}{\xi}, Q) D_{h/i}(z, Q) \right]$$

Dumitru Jalilian-Marian; Kovner-Altinoluk

$$x_{1(2)} \sim \frac{m_t}{\sqrt{s}} \exp(\pm y_h)$$

$$\tilde{N}_{F(A)}(x, k) = \int d^2\mathbf{r} e^{-i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} [1 - \mathcal{N}_{F(A)}(r, Y = \ln(x_0/x))]$$

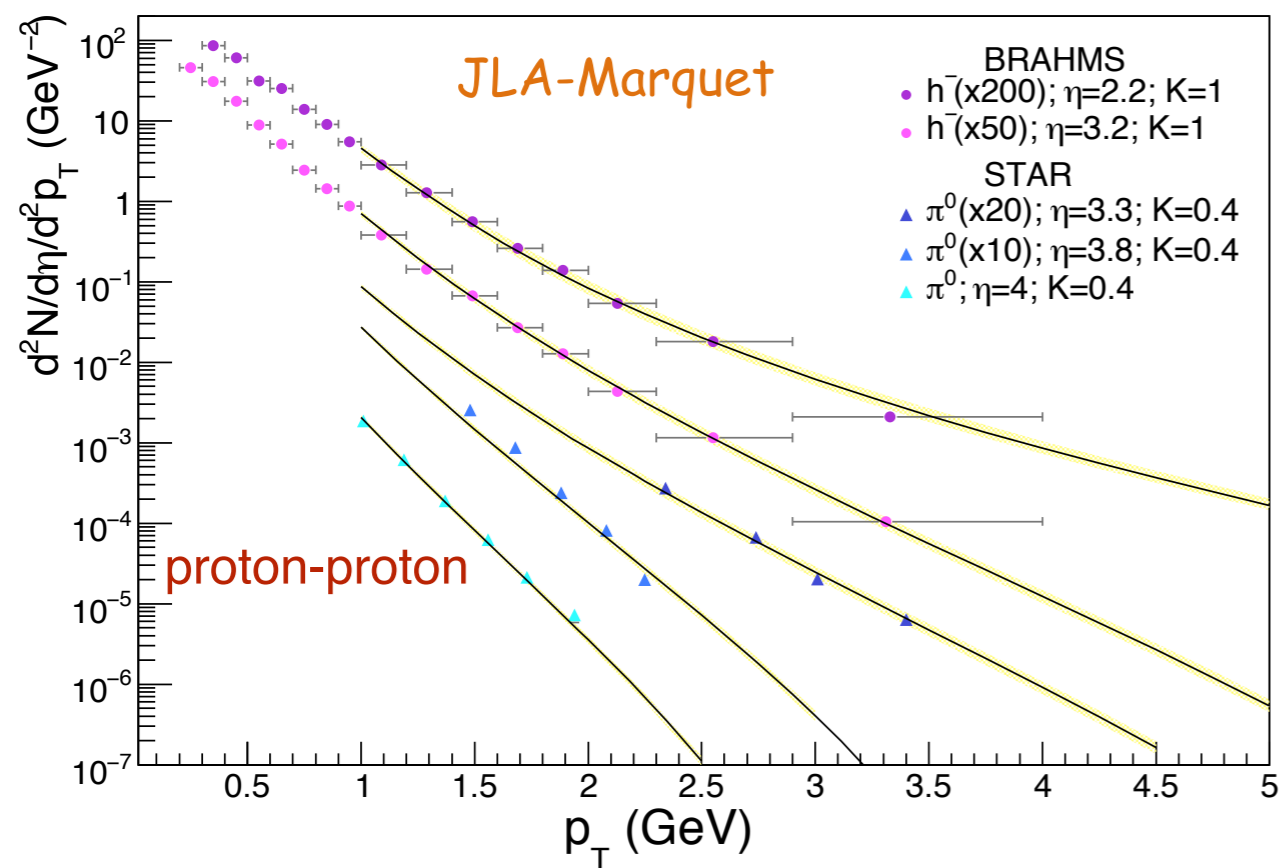
Rapidity dependent K-factors allowed to account for the normalization

Recently calculated subleading in  $\alpha_s$  corrections only included by Rezaeian and Jalilian Marian

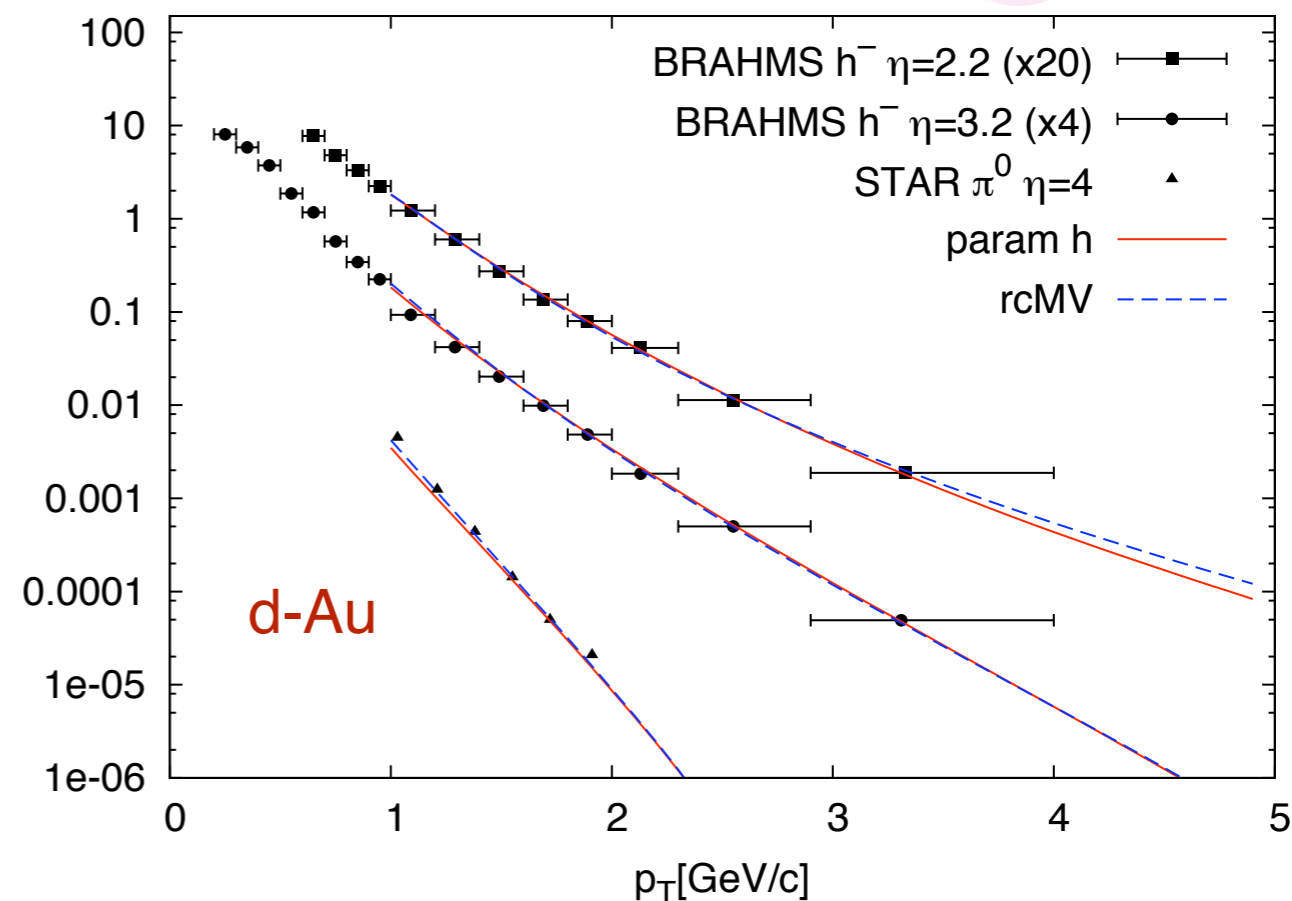
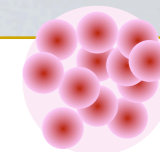
In order to ensure  $x_1 \geq x_0$ ,  $x_2 \leq x_0$  with  $x_0 \approx 0.01 \longrightarrow y_h \geq 2$



# Comparison to RHIC data



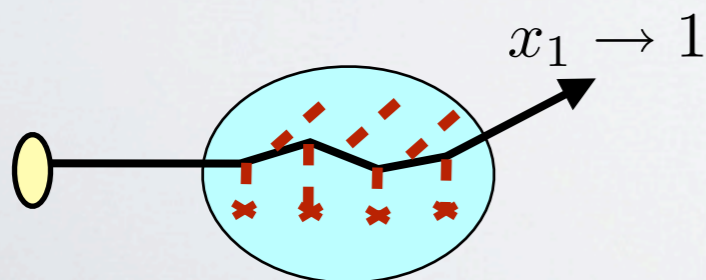
## Fujii-Itakura-Kitadono-Nara



RHIC data do not constrain initial conditions for evolution (MV,  $\gamma > 1$ ... "everything works")

Particle production close to the kinematic limit ( $x \rightarrow 1$  in the projectile). K-factors  $\sim 0.3$  for most forward rapidities

Are large- $x$  energy loss effects (not included in the CGC) the cause of the suppression?

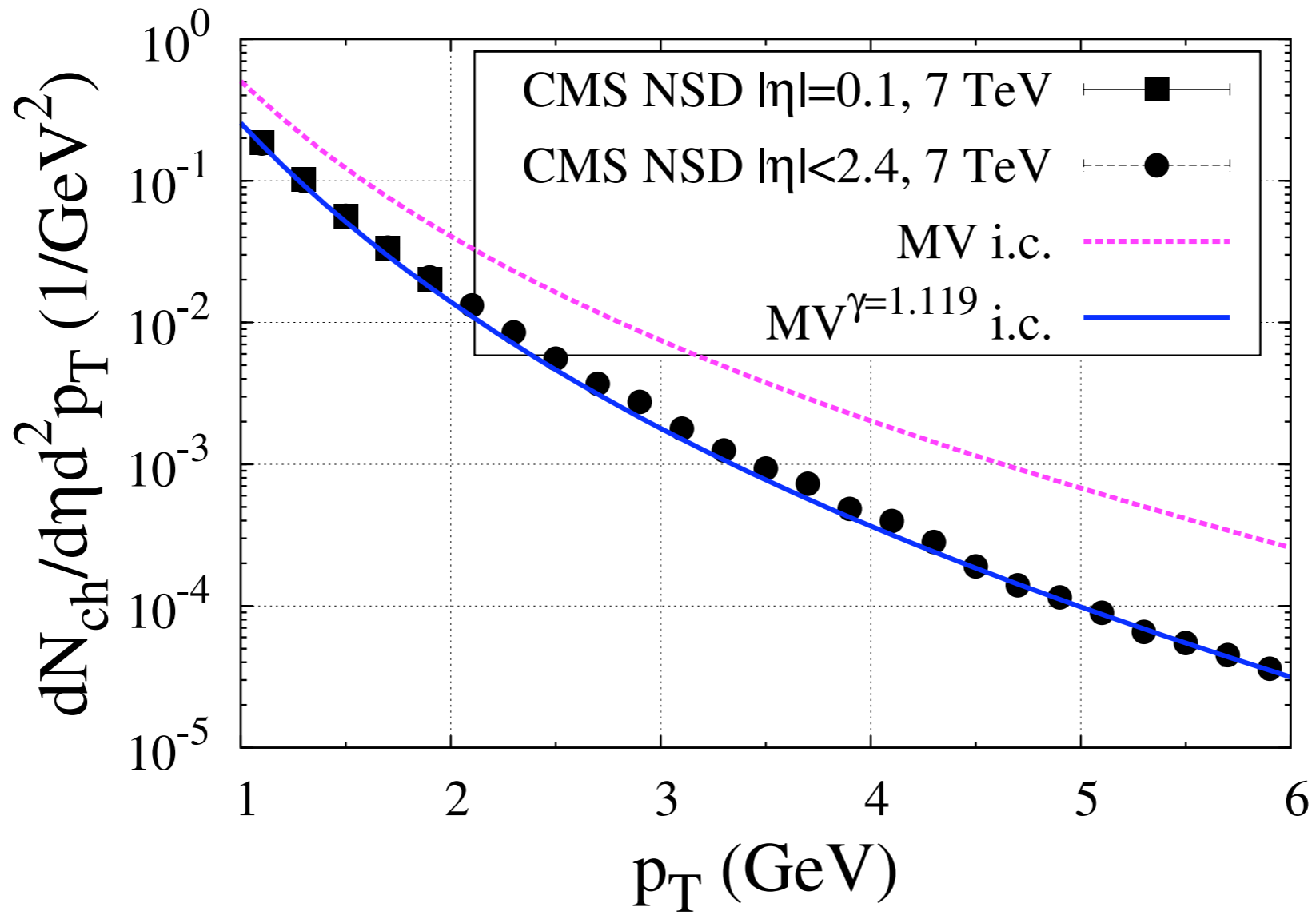


Probability of not losing energy:

$$P(\Delta y) \approx e^{-n_G(\Delta y)} \approx (1 - x_F)^{\#}$$

Kopeliovich et al

# Tips from p+p data @ LHC

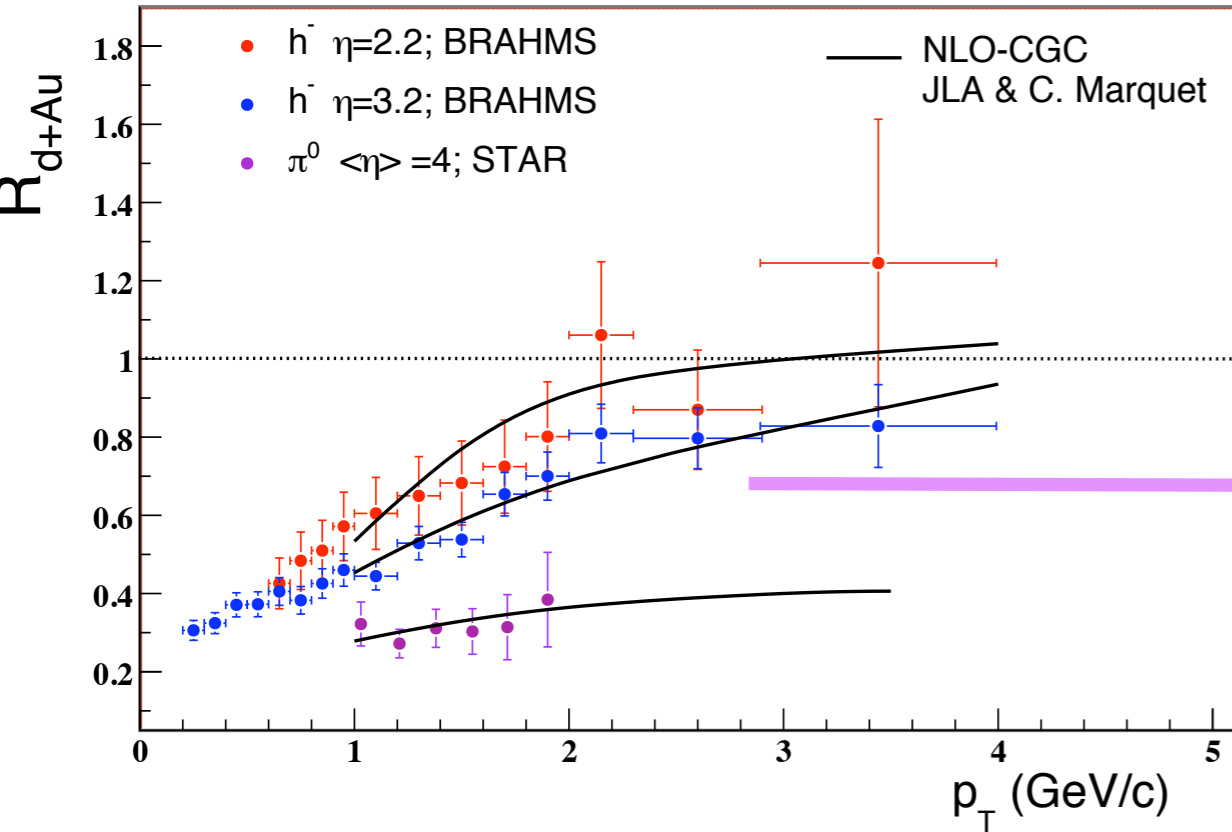


LHC p+p data seem to favor “steeper” initial conditions [2]

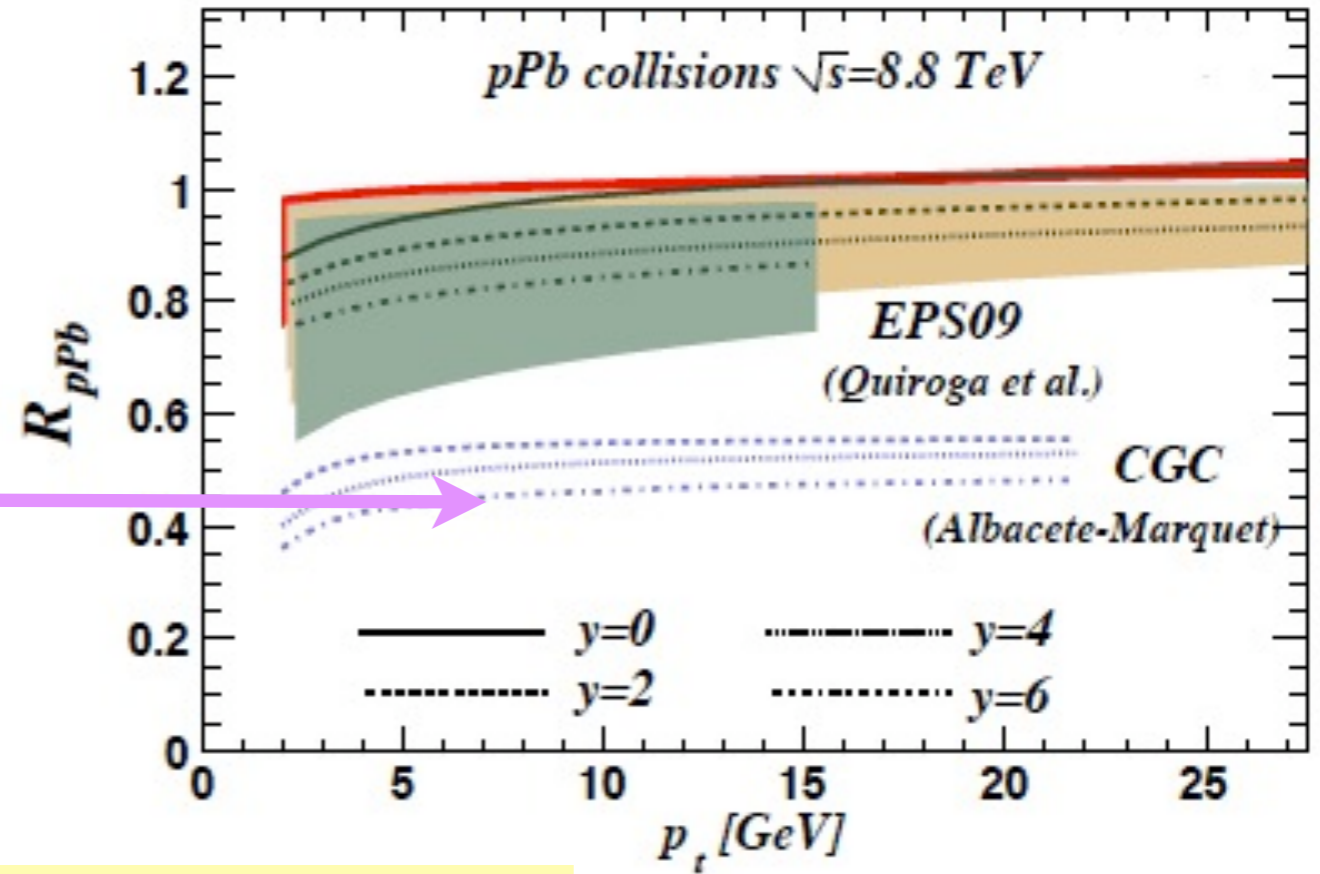
However: calculated using LO kt-factorization

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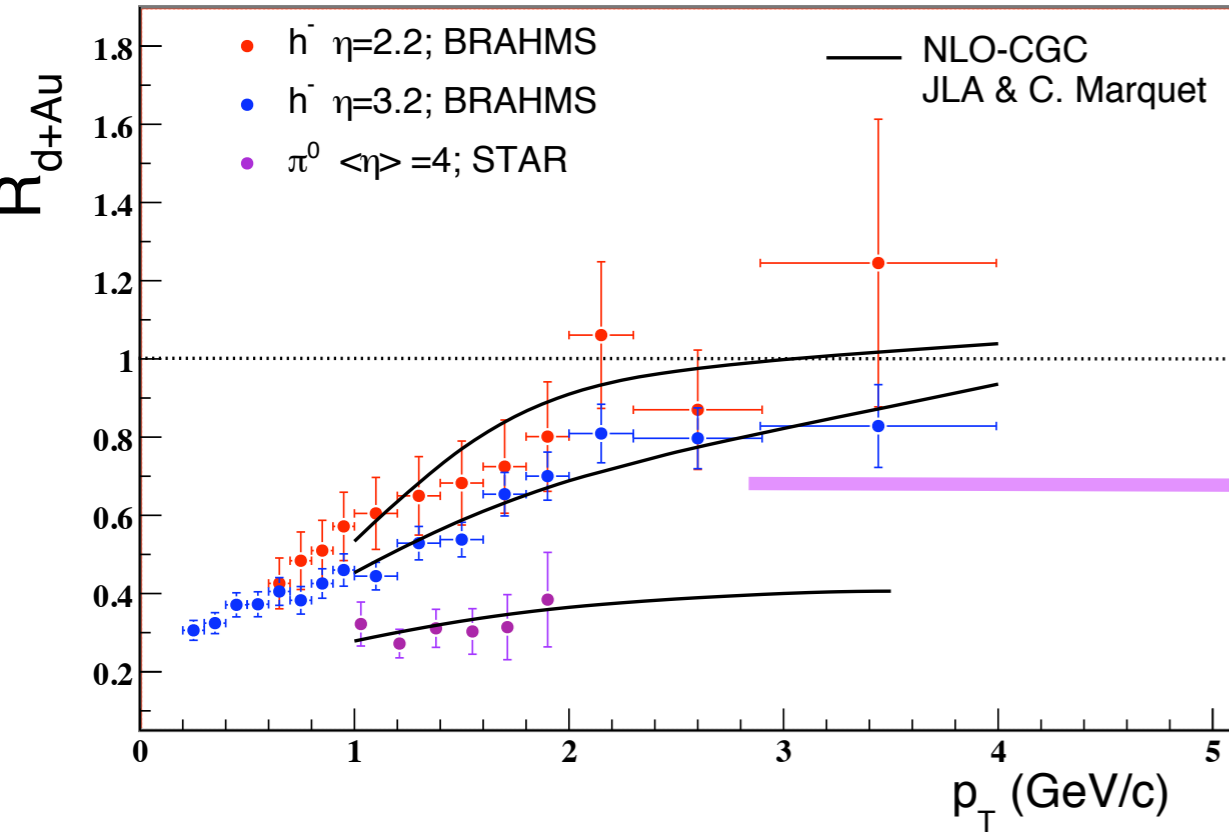
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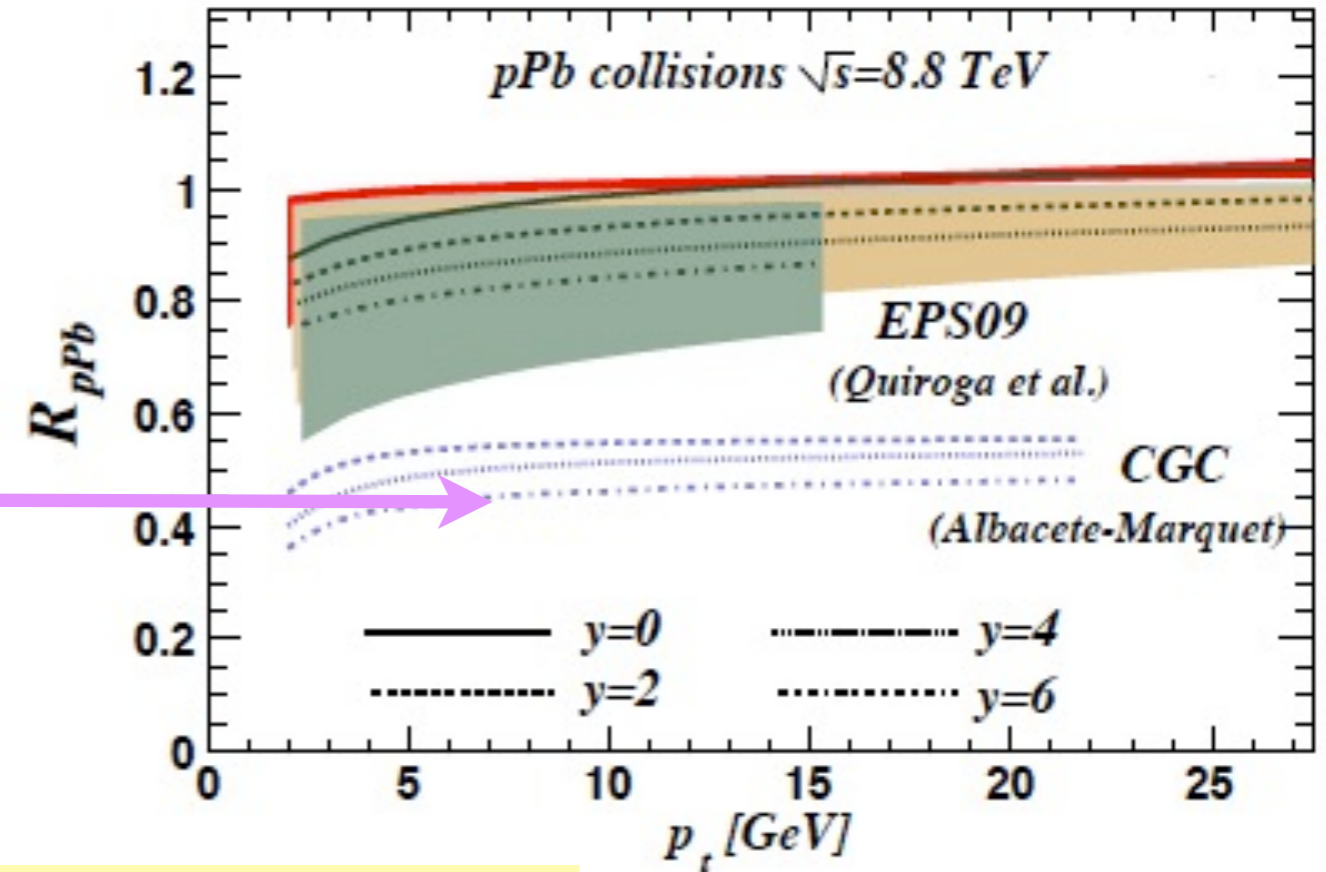
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Normalization issue:  
(lack of knowledge of  
b-dependence)!!

$$R_{pA}^{CGC}(k_t \gg 1) = \frac{1}{A} \frac{Q_{sA}^2}{Q_{sp}^2} \frac{\int^A d^2b}{\int^p d^2b} \rightarrow 1 \quad \text{if} \quad Q_{sA}^2 = A^{1/3} Q_{sp}^2$$

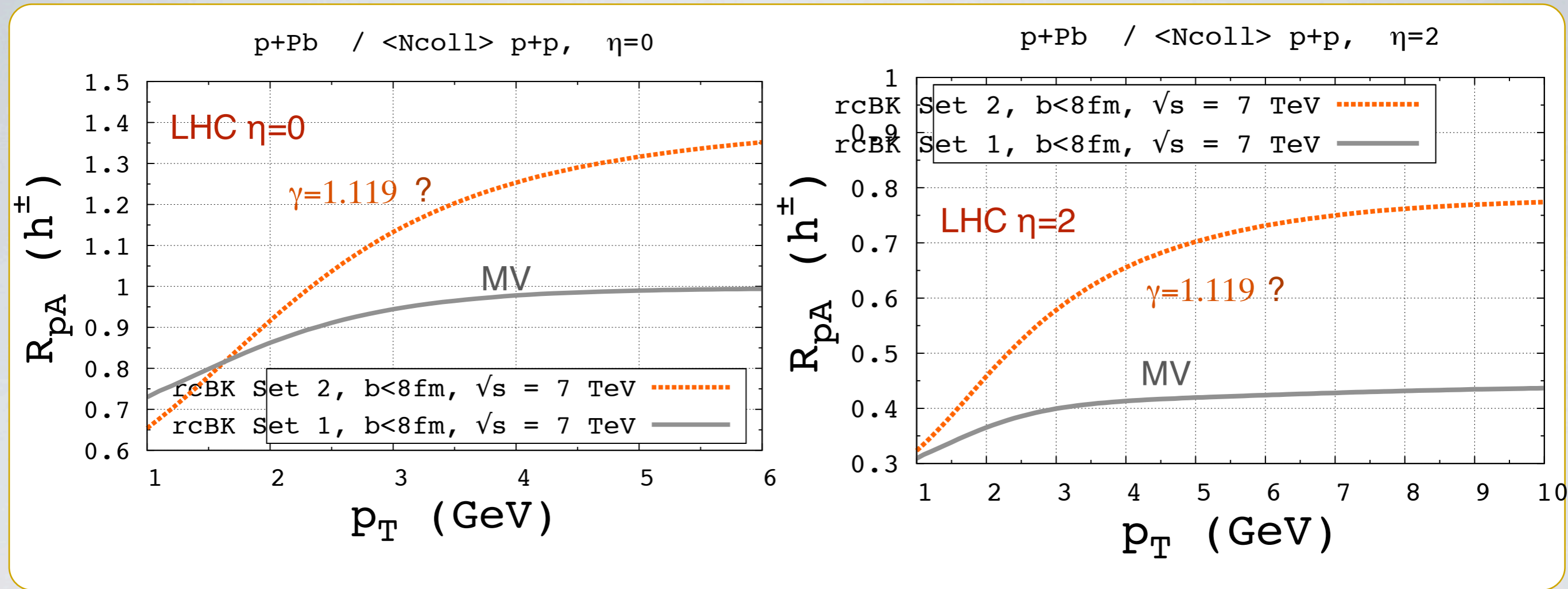
However, in the “trivial”  
approach it’s found

$$\frac{Q_{0sA}^2}{Q_{0sp}^2} \sim 1.5 \div 4 < A^{1/3} \sim 6$$

JLA-Marquet  
Jalilian Marian - Rezaeian

Problem cured when using Monte Carlo tools for geometry dependence (ensures self consistency)

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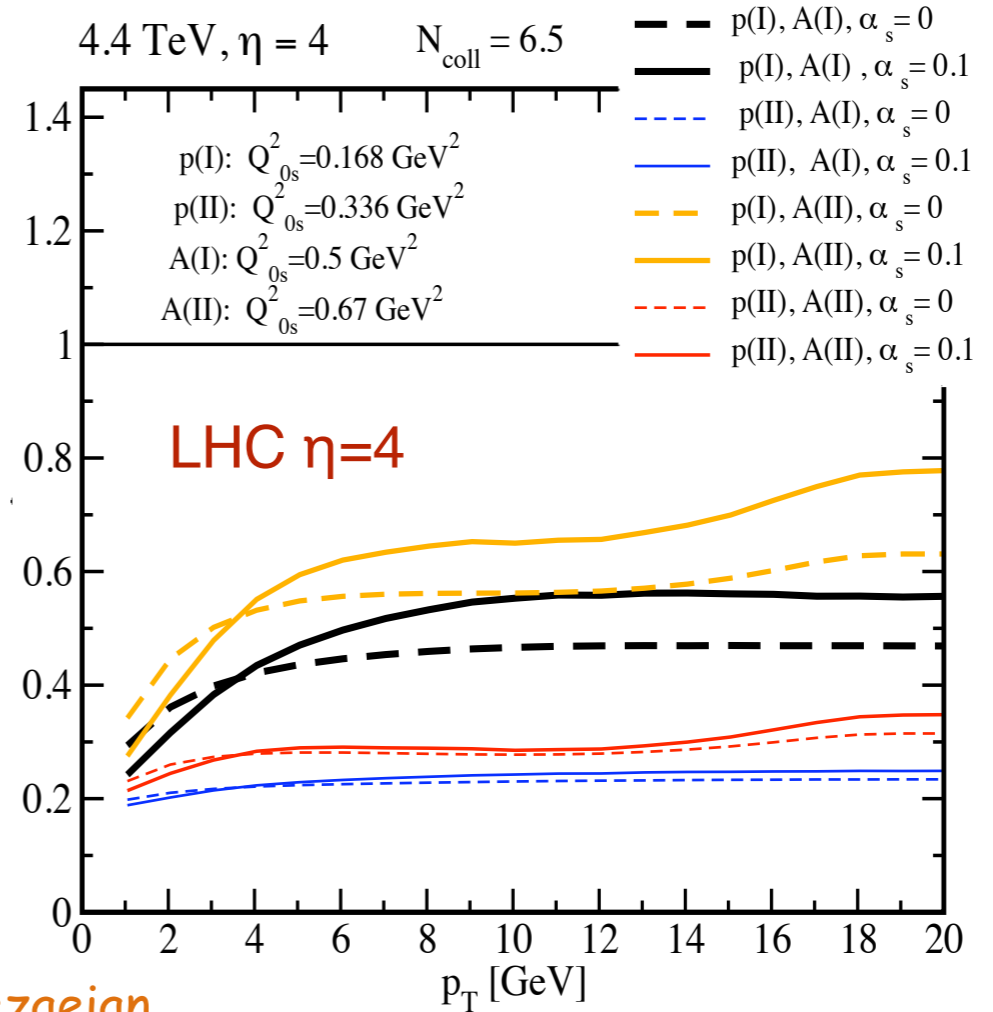
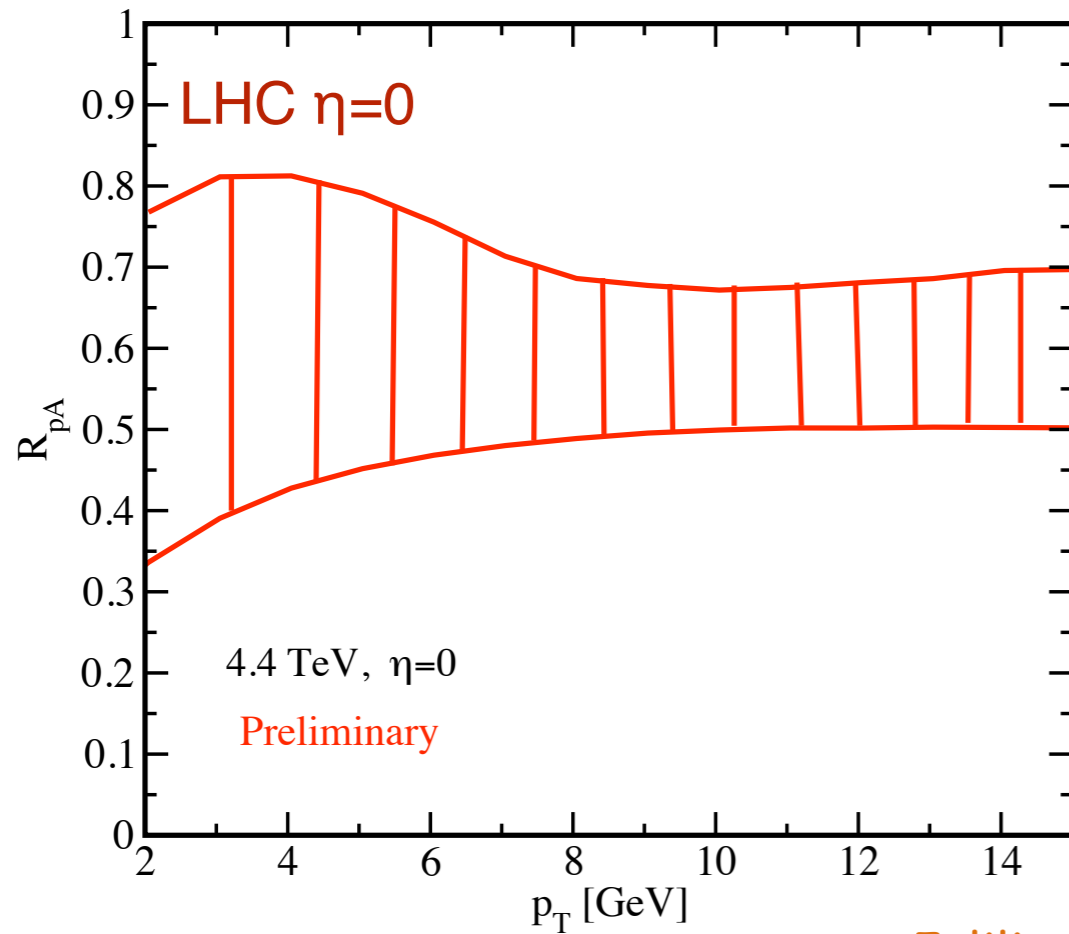
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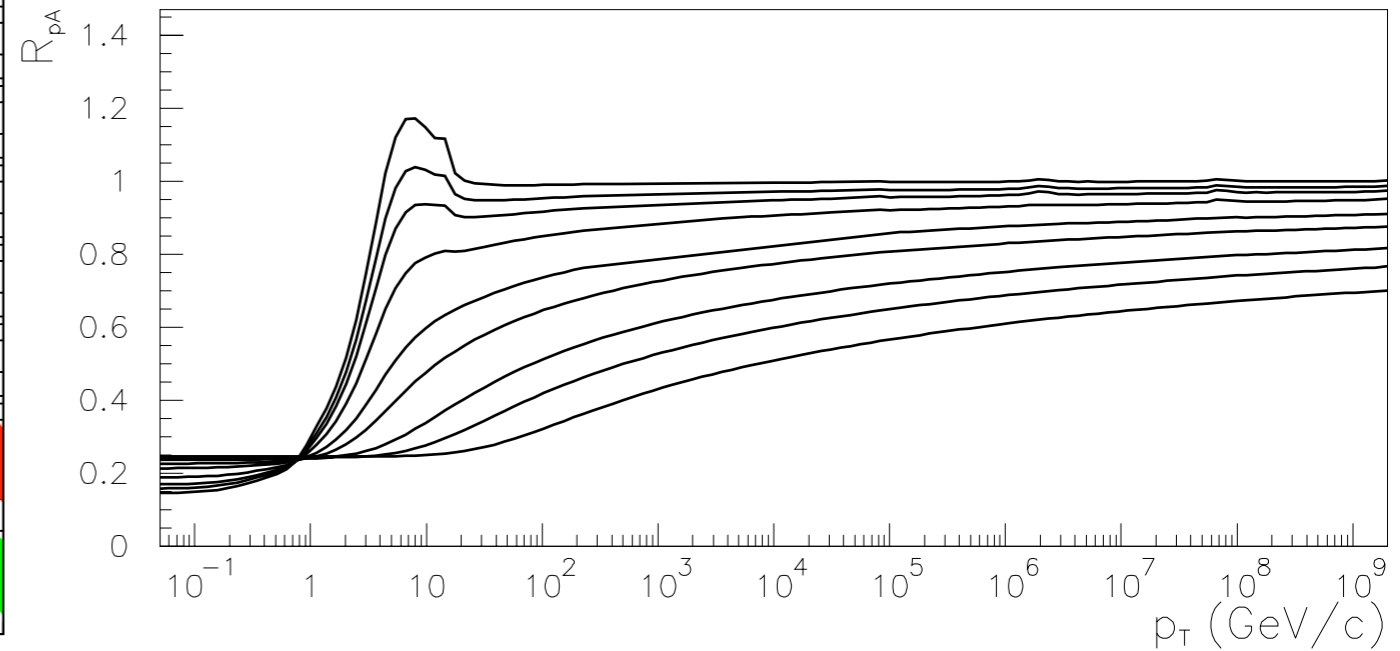
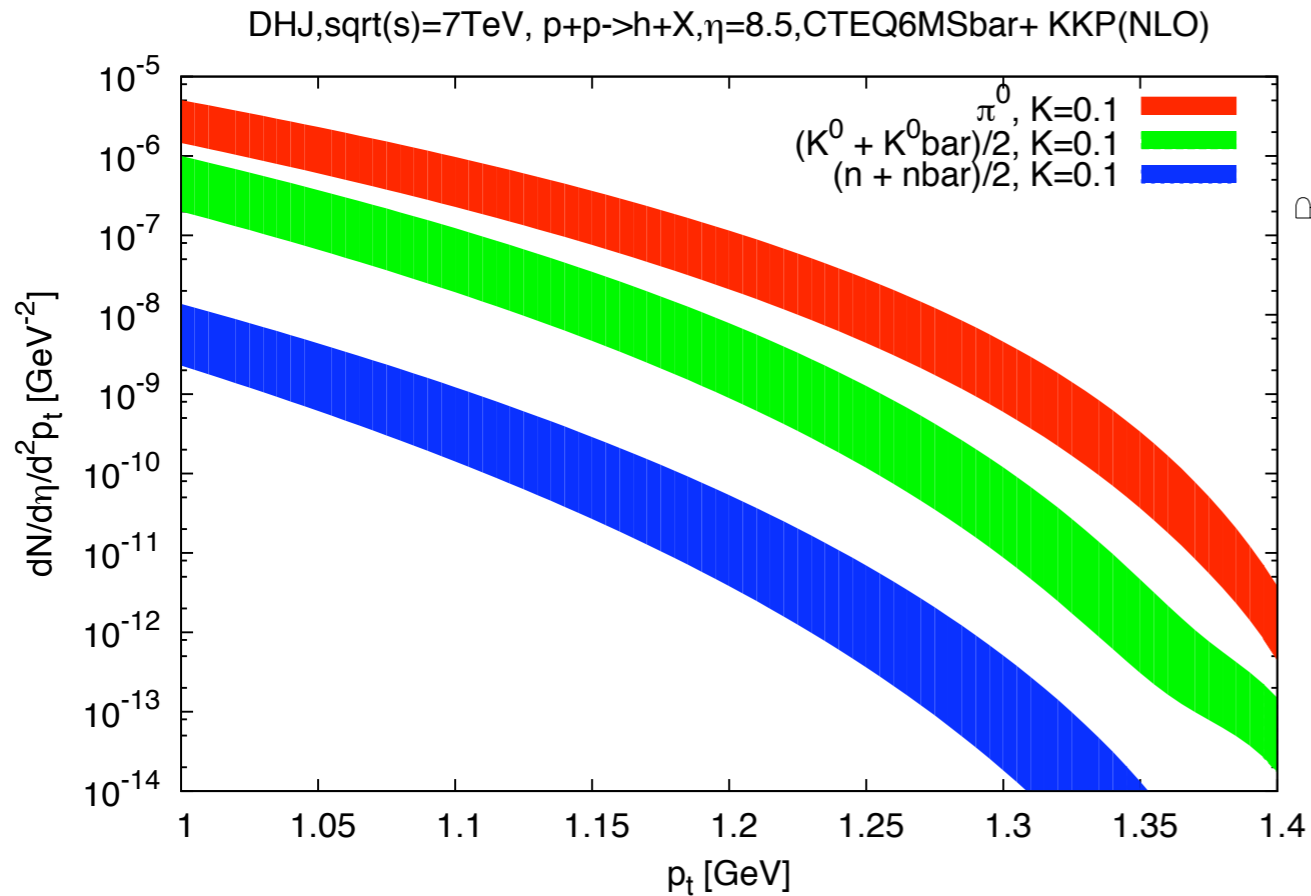
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# Going forward, towards LHCf

At large rapidities (very small-x) the sensitivity to i.c is reduced (scaling regime)



Hadron production ( $\pi^0$   $K^0$  and  $n$ ) at  $\eta = 8.5$  is being studied in this framework

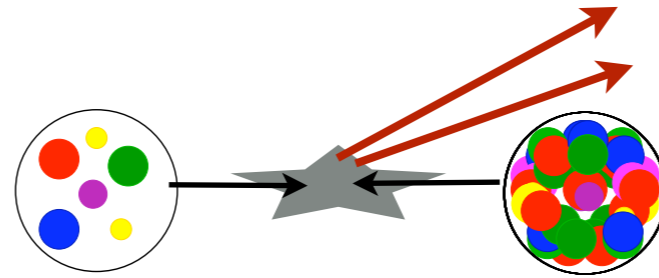
RpPb should approach its **universal limit** at very forward rapidities

Fujii-Itakura-Nara

# suppression of forward di-hadron correlations in d-Au collisions:

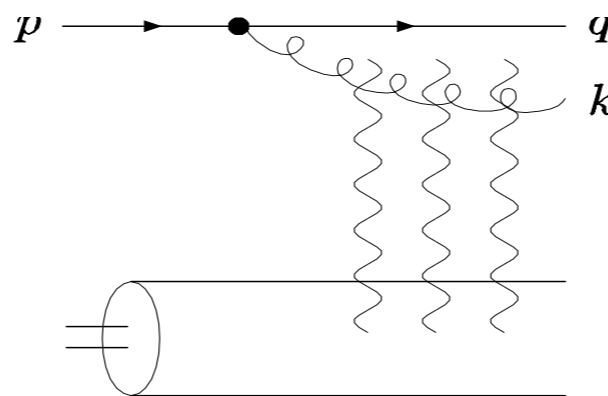
$$x_p = \frac{|k_1|e^{y_1} + |k_2|e^{y_2}}{\sqrt{s}}$$

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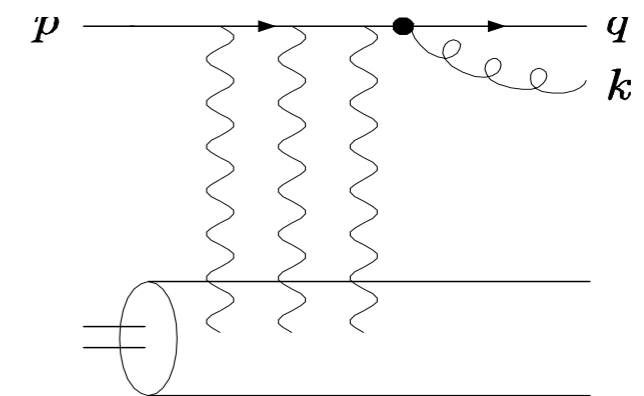


$(k_1, y_1), (k_2, y_2)$

C. Marquet;  
Dominguez et al (gluon channel)



hard quark initiating scattering



Fourier transform from coordinate space to momentum

$$\frac{d\sigma^{dAu \rightarrow qgX}}{d^2k_\perp dy_k d^2q_\perp dy_q} = \alpha_S C_F N_c x_{dq}(x_d, \mu^2) \int \frac{d^2x}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{d^2x'}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{d^2b}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{d^2b'}{(2\pi)^2} e^{ik_\perp \cdot (\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x})} e^{iq_\perp \cdot (\mathbf{b}' - \mathbf{b})}$$

$$|\Phi^{q \rightarrow qg}(z, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{b}')|^2 \left\{ S_{qg\bar{q}g}^{(4)}[\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{b}', \mathbf{x}'; x_A] - S_{qg\bar{q}}^{(3)}[\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{b}' + z(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{b}'); x_A] \right.$$

q → qg splitting (pQCD)

$$\left. - S_{\bar{q}gq}^{(3)}[\mathbf{b} + z(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}), \mathbf{x}', \mathbf{b}'; x_A] + S_{q\bar{q}}^{(2)}[\mathbf{b} + z(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}), \mathbf{b}' + z(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{b}'); x_A] \right\}$$

Scattering of the 2-parton system with the CGC target

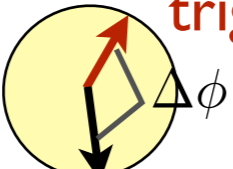
$$z = \frac{|k_\perp|e^{y_k}}{|k_\perp|e^{y_k} + |q_\perp|e^{y_q}}$$

Involves more than 3 and 4 point functions. Calculated in the large  $N_c$  limit



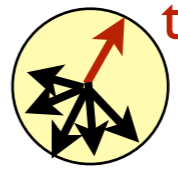
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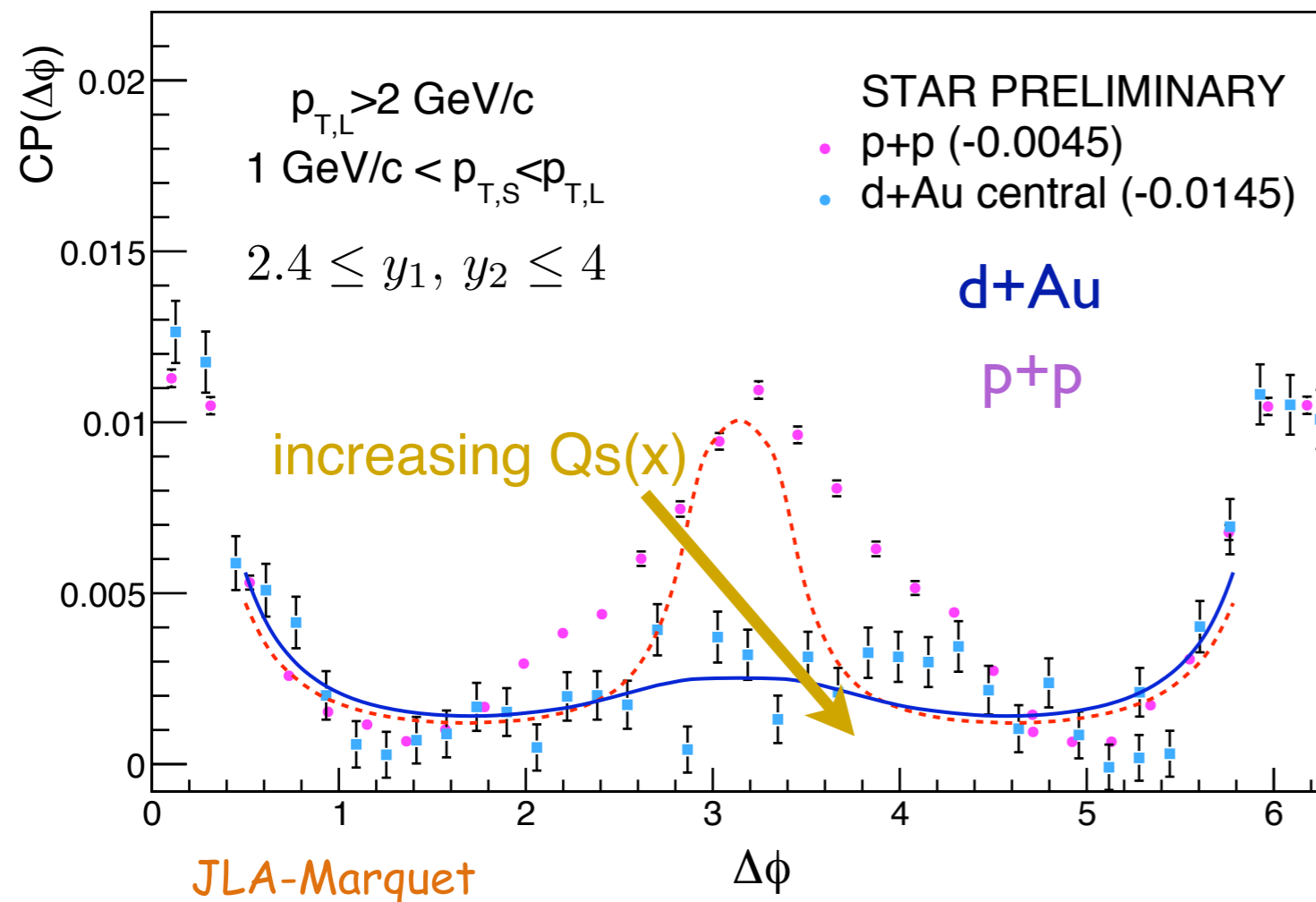


trigger

$$CP(\Delta\phi) = \frac{1}{N_{trig}} \frac{dN_{pair}}{d\Delta\phi}$$



trigger



Decorrelation happens if

$$p_{t1(2)} \lesssim Q_s$$

Knowledge of 4 and 6 point correlators needed (i.e solving JIMWLK):

Dumitru et al (numerically)

Inclusion of gluon channel recently carried out by Stasto et al.

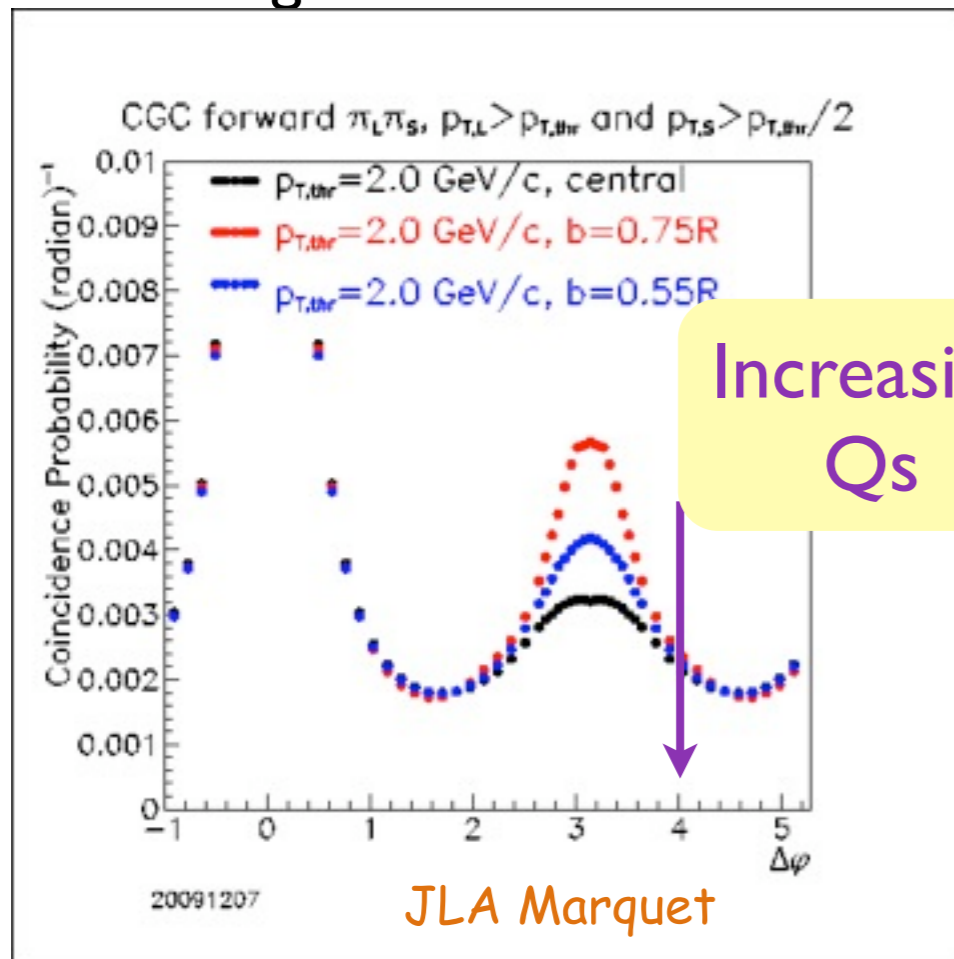
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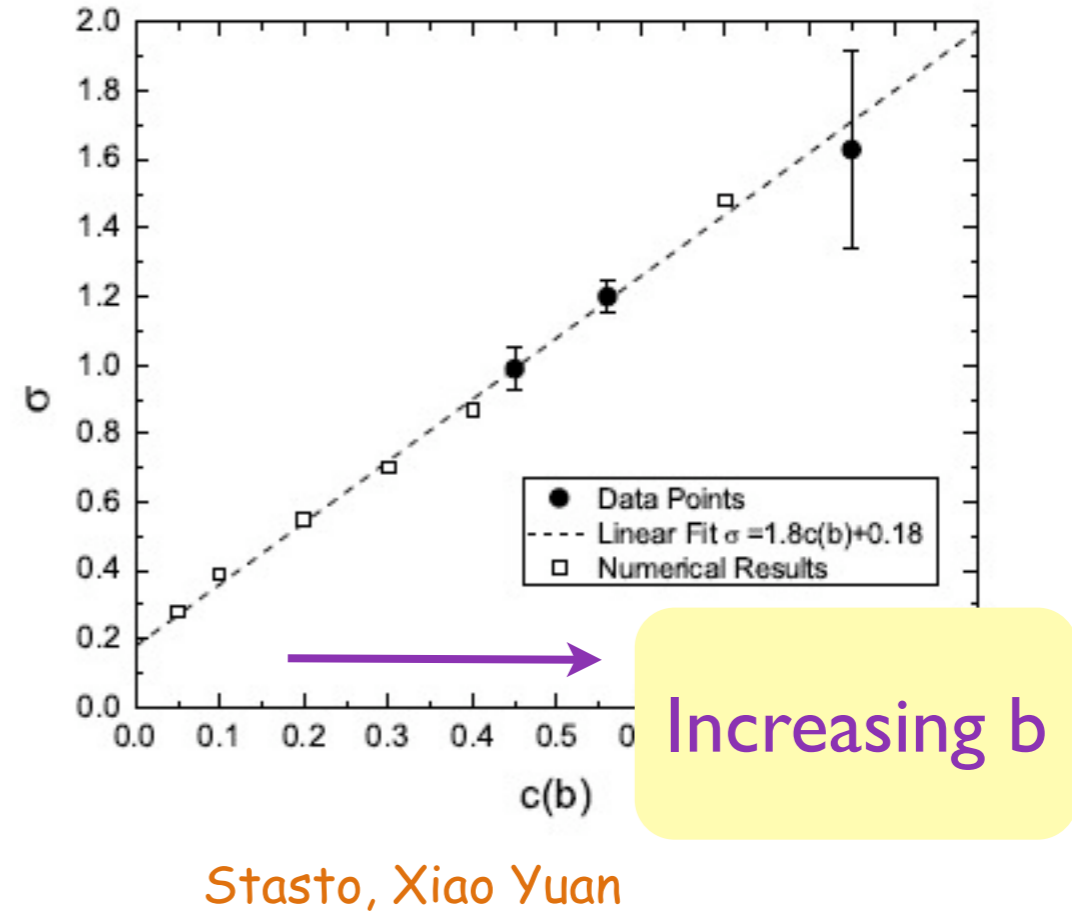
Dominance of double parton interactions ruled out by neutron-tagged measurements by STAR

# decorrelation increases with

→ Increasing the saturation scale of target:

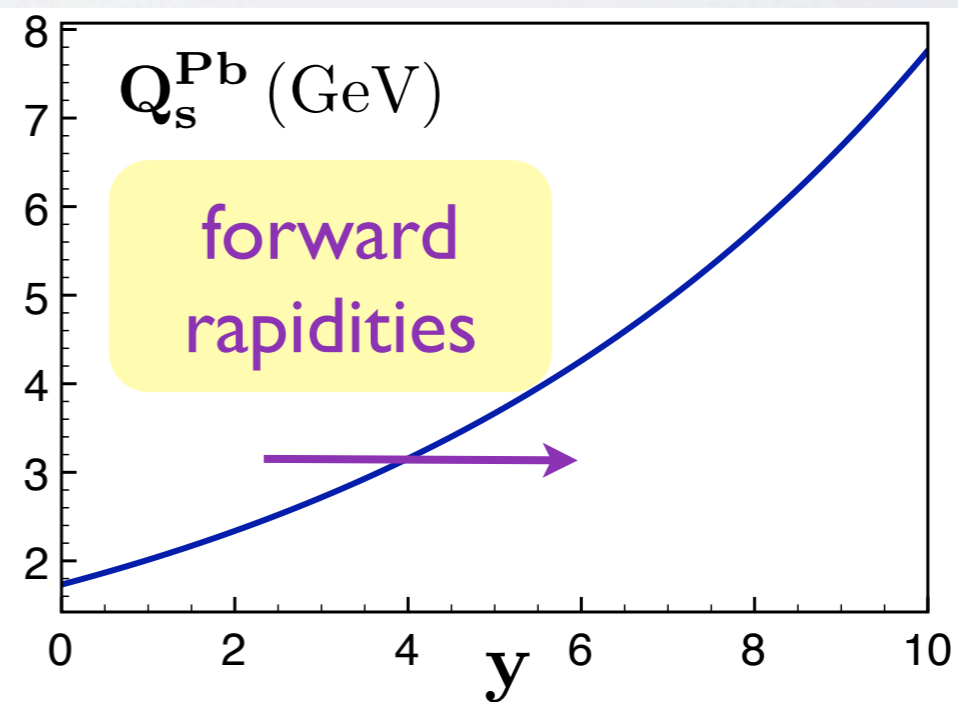


→ Increasing collision centrality



A **rapidity** (central-central, central-forward and forward-forward) and **centrality** scan of di-hadrons correlations at moderate **pt (1-15 GeV)** in pPb collisions at the LHC energies would:

1. Set strong constraints to the CGC evolution
2. Provide very valuable information on the b-dependence of the saturation scale



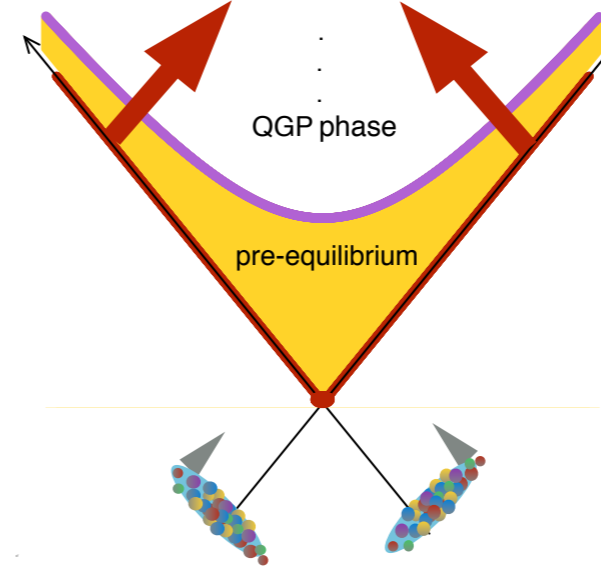
# Initial gluon production in heavy ion collisions

- Classical Yang-Mills EOM:  $[D_\mu F^{\mu\nu}] = J^\nu[\rho]$   
(Supplemented by JIMWLK evolution)

Recent progress by T. Lappi

- kt-factorization (BK evolution)

$$\frac{dN^g}{d\eta d^2b} \propto Q_s^2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{b}) \sim \sqrt{s}^\lambda N_{\text{part}}$$



$$\left. \frac{dN^{\text{ch}}}{d\eta} \right|_{\eta=0} = \frac{2}{3} \mathbf{K} \left. \frac{dN^g}{d\eta} \right|_{\eta=0}$$

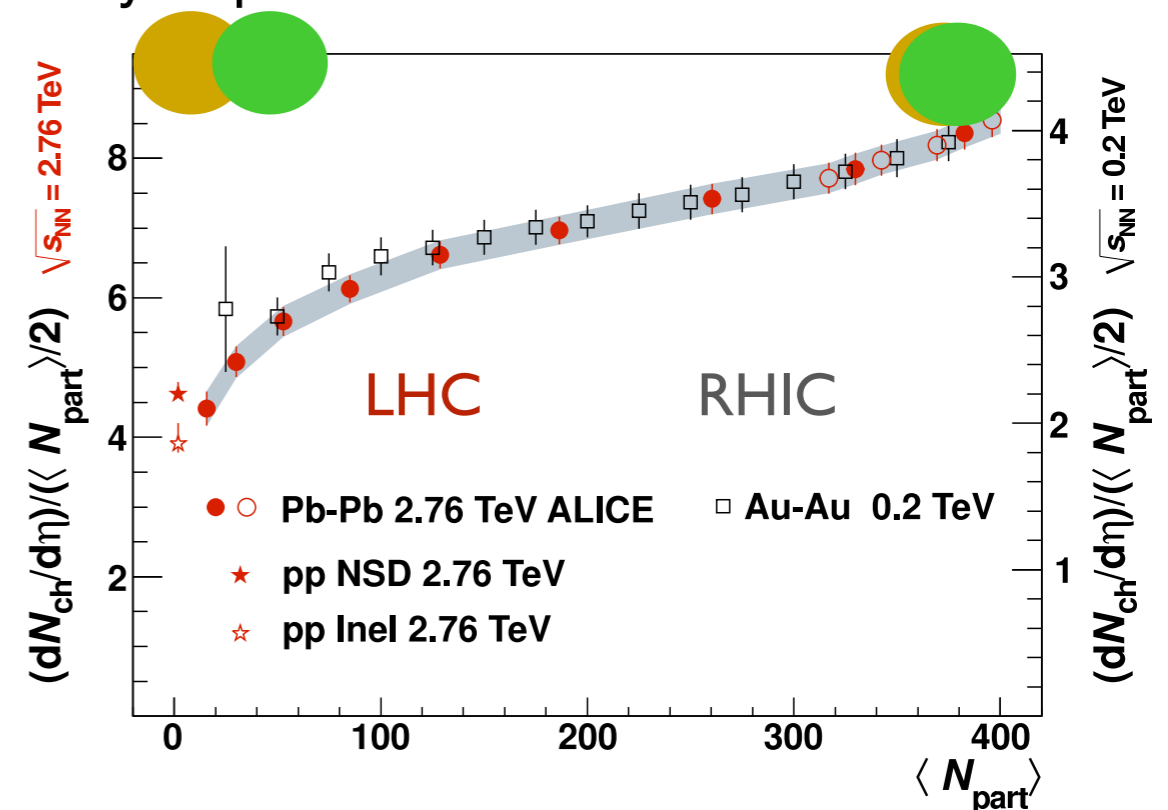
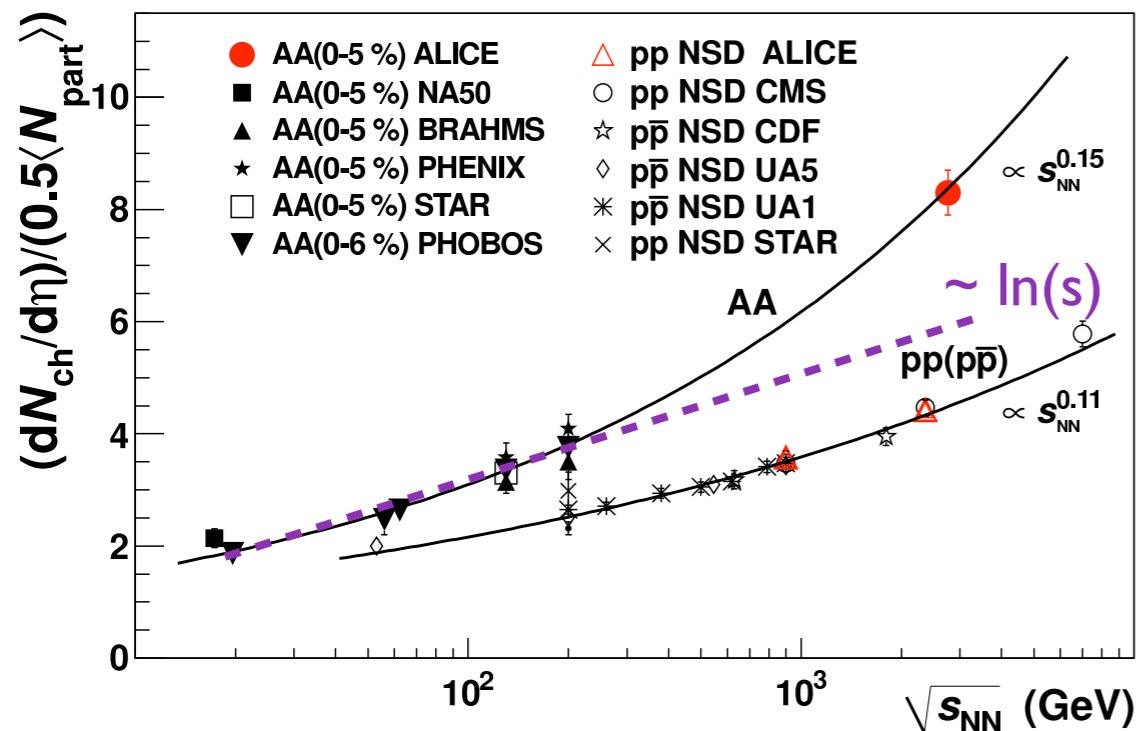
- Gluon to hadron conversion
- Quark contribution
- jet fragmentation
- k-factor for higher order corrections
- Truly soft contribution
- ...

## DATA:

- Strong coherence effects:

$$\frac{dN^{\text{AA}}}{d\eta} \ll N_{\text{coll}} \frac{dN^{\text{pp}}}{d\eta}$$

- Approximate factorization of energy and centrality dependence

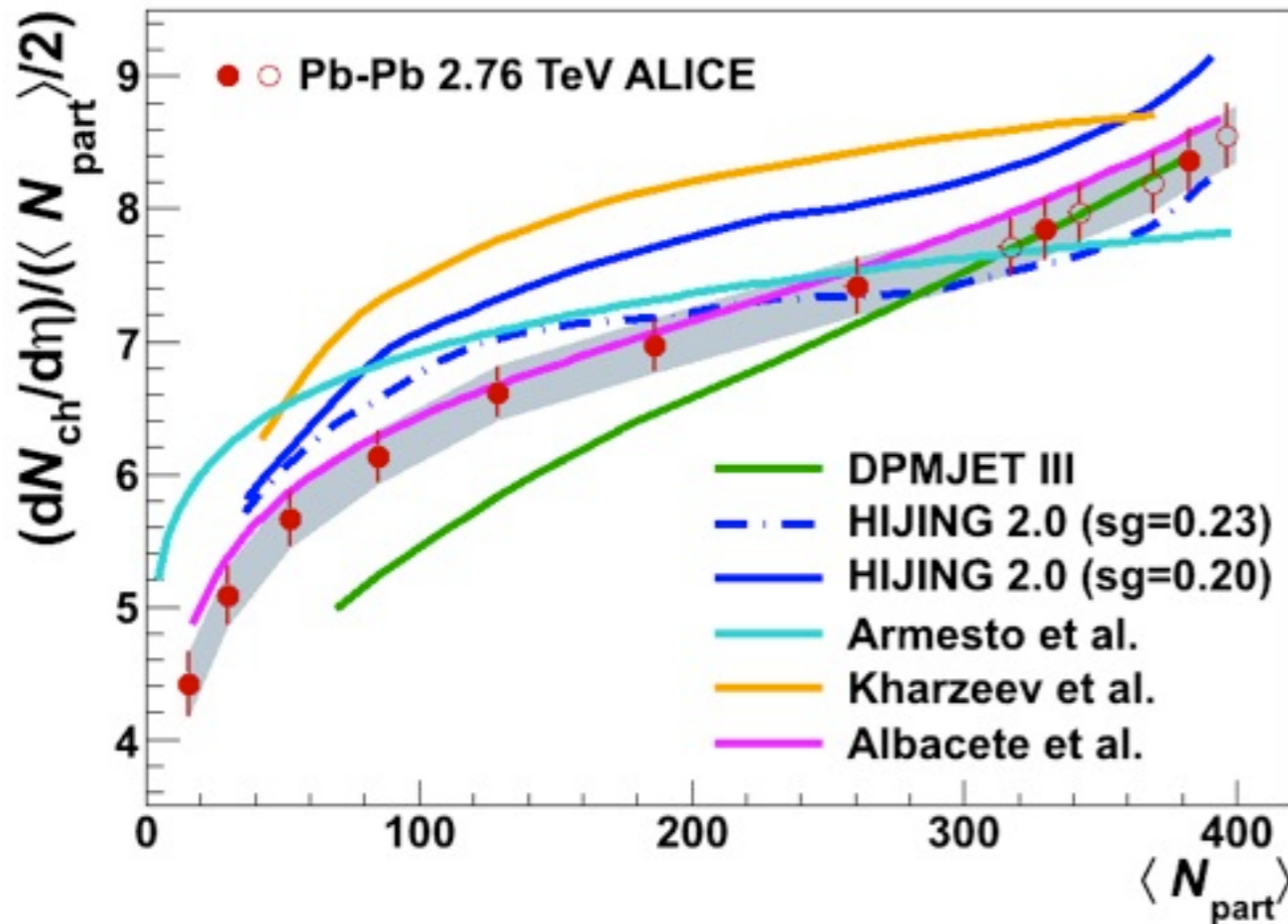
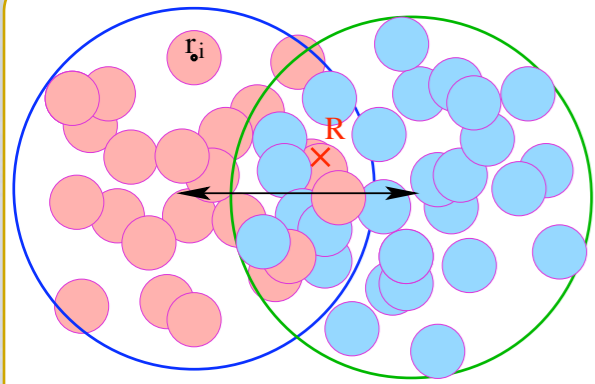


# LHC data and rcBK CGC Monte Carlo

- kt-factorization + running coupling BK evolution [JLA-Dumitru-Nara]

$$\frac{d\sigma^{A+B \rightarrow g}}{dy d^2p_t d^2R} = \kappa \frac{2}{C_F} \frac{1}{p_t^2} \int^{p_t} \frac{d^2k_t}{4} \int d^2b \alpha_s(Q) \varphi\left(\frac{|p_t + k_t|}{2}, x_1; b\right) \varphi\left(\frac{|p_t - k_t|}{2}, x_2; R - b\right)$$

$$\frac{dN^{A+B \rightarrow g}}{dy d^2p_t d^2R} = \frac{1}{\sigma_s} \frac{d\sigma^{A+B \rightarrow g}}{dy d^2p_t d^2R}$$

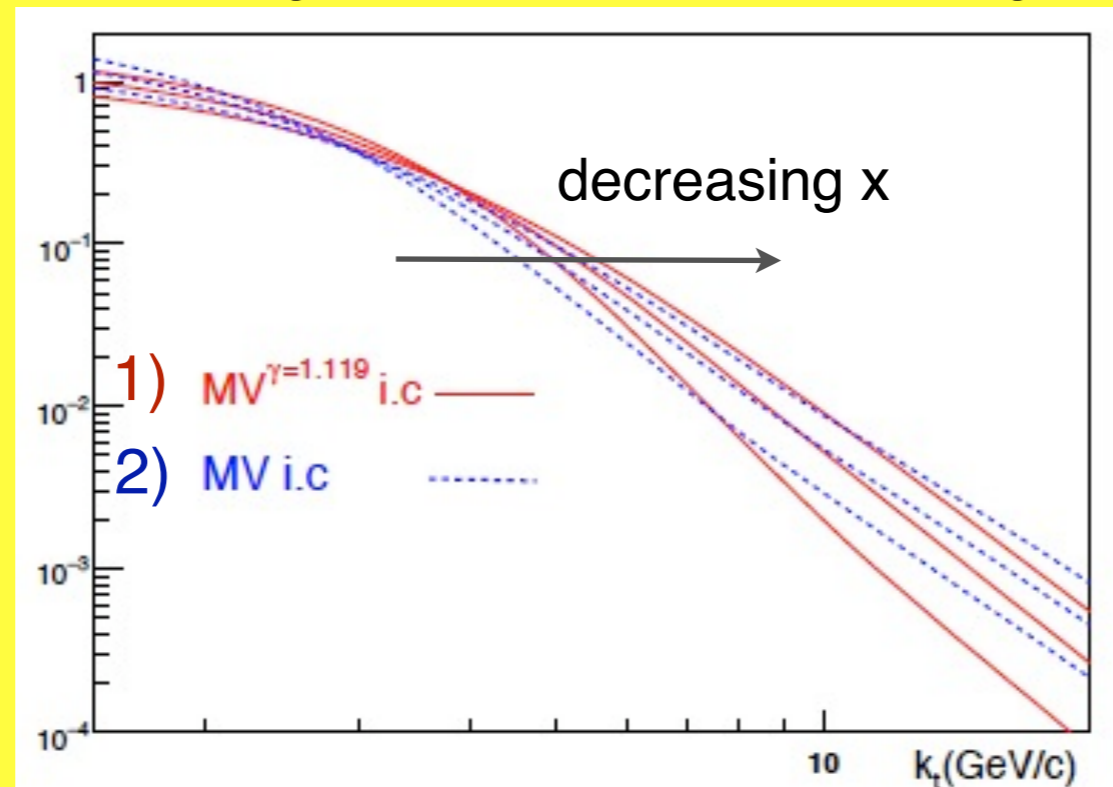


Good description of Pb+Pb data

CGC models for multiplicities can also be tested in a p+Pb run

# Sensitivity of MC-CGC models for the initial state of HIC to high-kt uncertainties

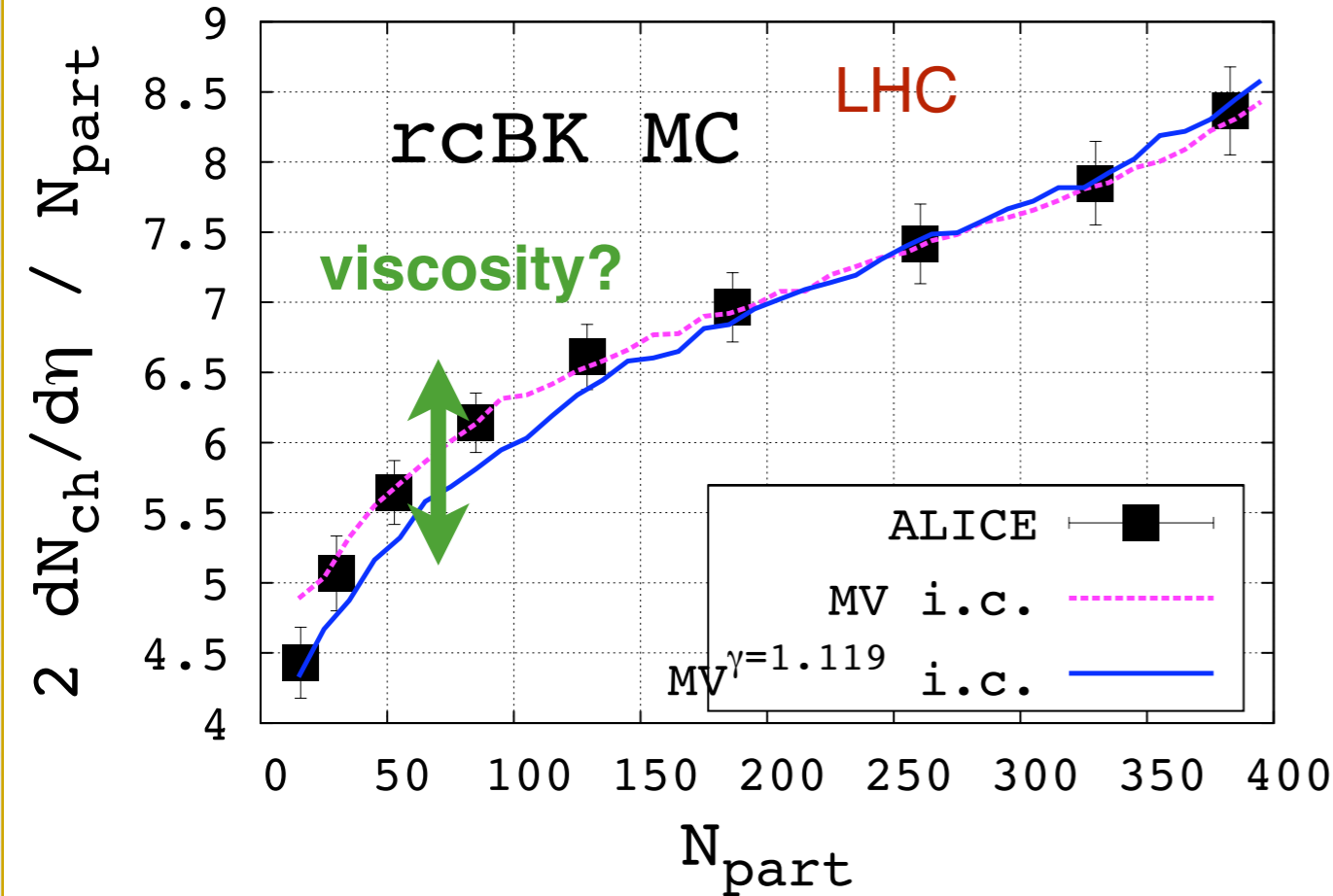
Reminder: e+p, d+Au and Pb+Pb (multiplicities) data are compatible with u.g.d with rather different high-kt behavior:



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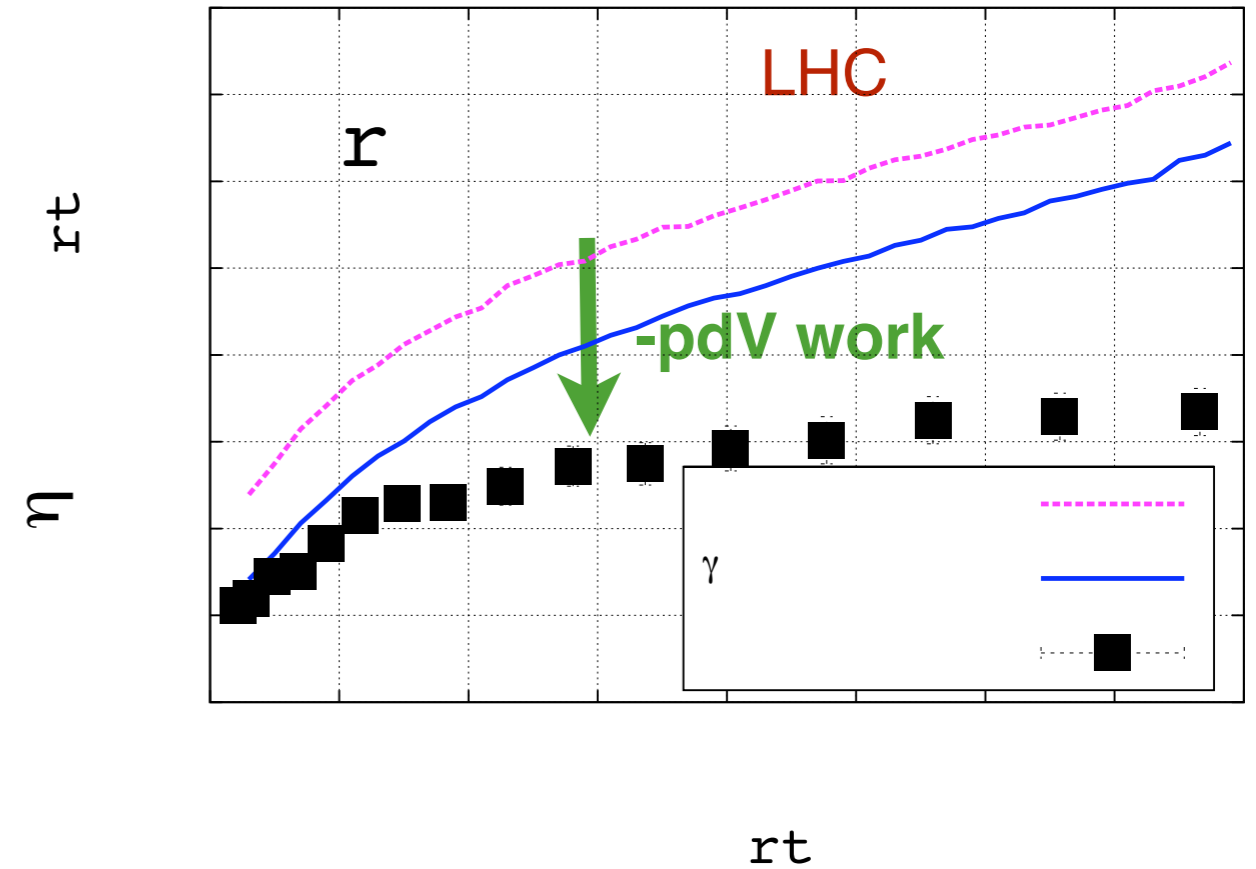
~ 10% effect on multiplicity distributions

$$\frac{dN}{d\eta} \sim \int d^2p_t \frac{dN}{d\eta d^2p_t}$$



Larger (x2) effect on transverse energy distributions!

$$\frac{dE_t}{d\eta} \sim \int d^2p_t p_t \frac{dN}{d\eta d^2p_t}$$



**These uncertainties translate to the extraction of transport coefficients (shear viscosity...) when these model are used as i.c. for hydro evolution**

**Information on the moderate to high kt behaviour of Pb ugd's from a pPb run would ALSO have a positive impact on CGC models for bulk particle production !!!**

# Conclusions / Outlook

- ✓ CGC can **consistently** describe data at small-x collected in different collision systems (e+p, p+p, d+Au, Au+Au) at energies lower than the LHC
- ✓ First LHC data on bulk properties of HIC in agreement with CGC expectations
- ✓ Predictive power of the CGC limited due to the lack of small-x data on nuclear reactions able to constrain the initial conditions for the evolution (b,kt)-dependence
- ✓ Relatively simple measurements (**multiplicities and transverse energy distributions, single inclusive hadron spectra and di-hadron correlations**) in a p+Pb run at the LHC at relatively low momentum ( **$p_t < 10\sim 20$  GeV**) A p-Pb run at the LHC would be **most useful** for:
  1. Testing the formalism at its present degree of accuracy
  2. Establishing reliable references for initial state effects in hard probes production in HIC (**photons, drell-yan, heavy quarks...**)
- ✓ A p+Pb run would **ALSO** be extremely useful to further constrain models for bulk particle production, thus reducing systematic uncertainties for hydro studies.

Evolution kernel: known up to full NLO accuracy. In practice BK with running coupling is used

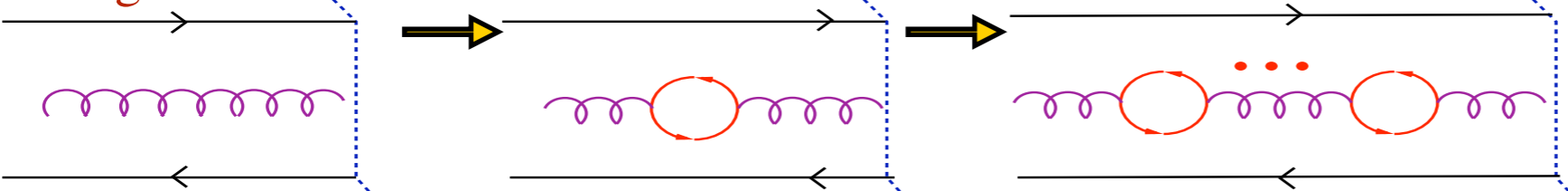
“BK-JIMWLK”

$$\frac{\partial \phi(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{k}_t)}{\partial \ln(\mathbf{x}_0/\mathbf{x})} \approx \underbrace{\mathcal{K} \otimes \phi(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{k}_t)}_{\text{radiation}} - \underbrace{\phi(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{k}_t)^2}_{\text{recombination}}$$

LO:  $\alpha_s \ln(1/x)$   
small-x gluon emission

NLO

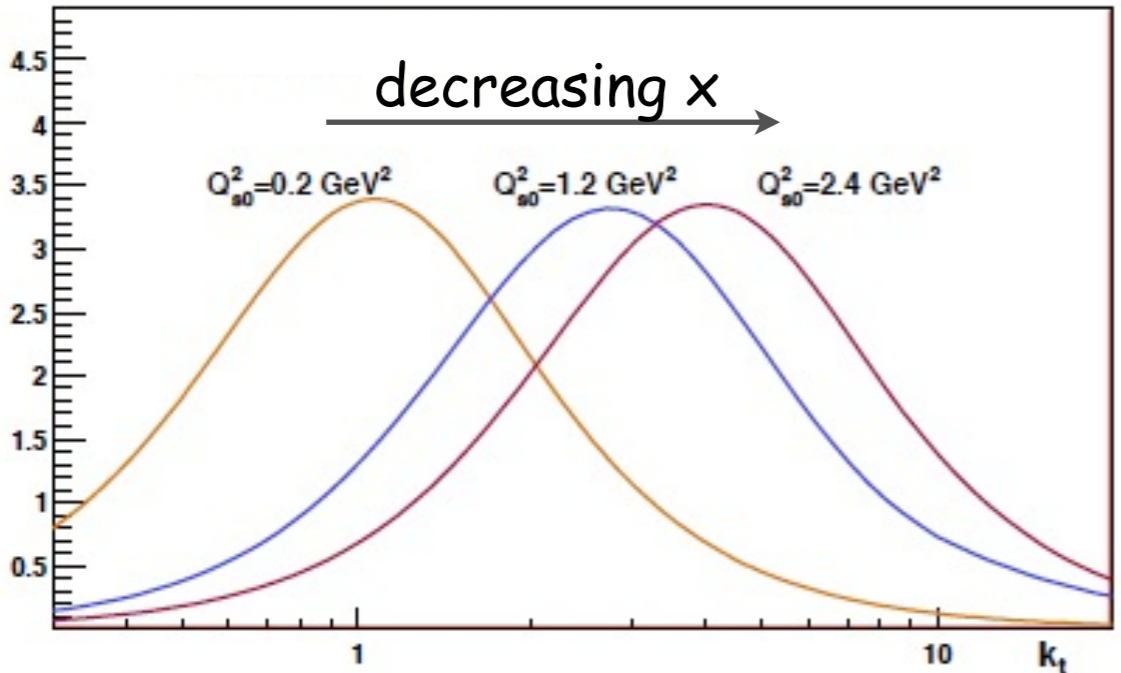
Running coupling



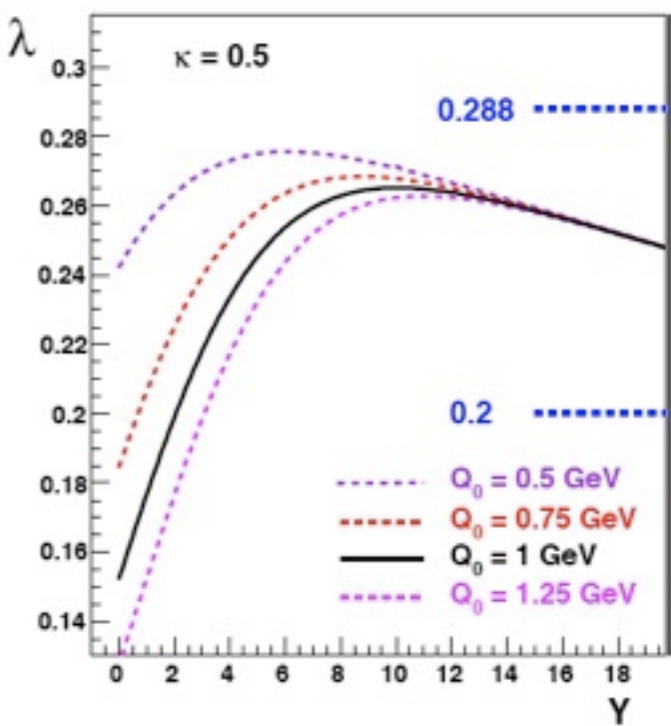
[Balitsky, , Gardi et al],  
Kovchegov-Weigert

$$K^{\text{run}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2) = \frac{N_c \alpha_s(r^2)}{2\pi^2} \left[ \frac{r^2}{r_1^2 r_2^2} + \frac{1}{r_1^2} \left( \frac{\alpha_s(r_1^2)}{\alpha_s(r_2^2)} - 1 \right) + \frac{1}{r_2^2} \left( \frac{\alpha_s(r_2^2)}{\alpha_s(r_1^2)} - 1 \right) \right]$$

Saturation of gluons with:  $k_t \lesssim Q_s(\mathbf{x})$



Running coupling corrections render evolution speed compatible with data!



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