

New Constraints for the Transport Coefficients of the Quark Gluon Plasma (QGP)

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Essential Question

➤ ***Do recent measurements at RHIC & the LHC, give new insights for characterization of the QGP?***

QGP Characterization?

Characterization of the QGP produced in RHIC and LHC collisions requires

- I. Development of experimental constraints to map the topological, thermodynamic and transport coefficients

$$T(\tau), c_s(T), \eta(T), \zeta(T), \alpha_s(T), \hat{q}(T), \pm_{sep}(\tau), \text{etc?}$$

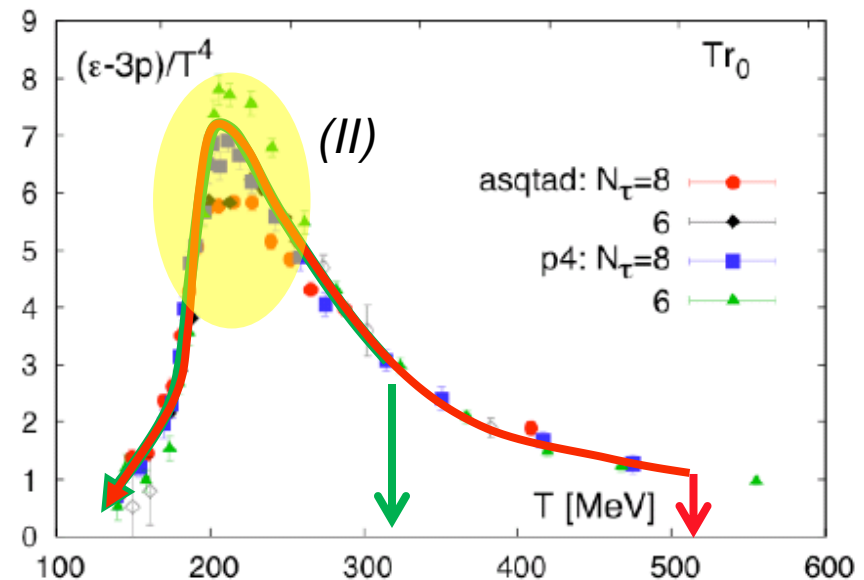
- II. Development of quantitative model descriptions of these properties

Experimental Access:

- ✓ Temp/time-averaged constraints as a function of $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ (with similar expansion dynamics)

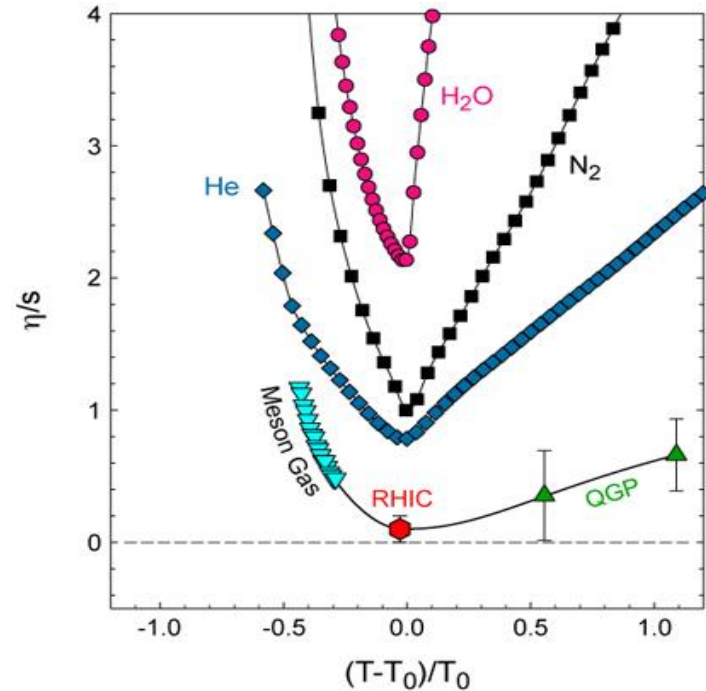
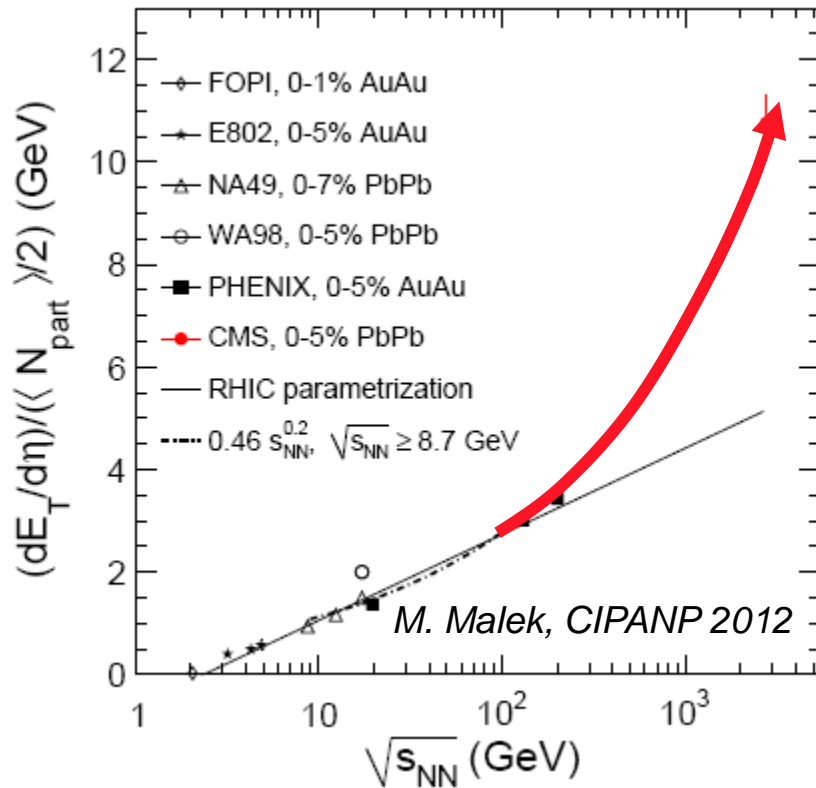
$$\langle T \rangle, \langle c_s \rangle, \left\langle \frac{\eta}{s} \right\rangle, \left\langle \frac{\zeta}{s} \right\rangle, \langle \hat{q} \rangle, \langle \alpha_s \rangle, \text{etc?}$$

(I) Expect space-time averages to evolve with $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$



The LHC energy density lever arm

Lacey et. al, Phys.Rev.Lett.98:092301,2007



RHIC (0.2 TeV) → LHC (2.76 TeV)

- Power law dependence ($n \sim 0.2$)
- $(dE_T/d\eta)/(\langle N_{part} \rangle/2)$ increase ~ 3.3
- Multiplicity density increase ~ 2.3
- $\rightarrow \langle Temp \rangle$ increase $\sim 30\%$

Essential questions:

- How do the transport coefficients $\langle c_s \rangle, \langle \frac{\eta}{s} \rangle, \langle \hat{q} \rangle, \langle \alpha_s \rangle$ evolve with T ?
- Any indications for sizeable changes close to T_0 ?

Take home message:

The scaling properties of **flow** and **Jet quenching** measurements give crucial new insights

The Flow Probe

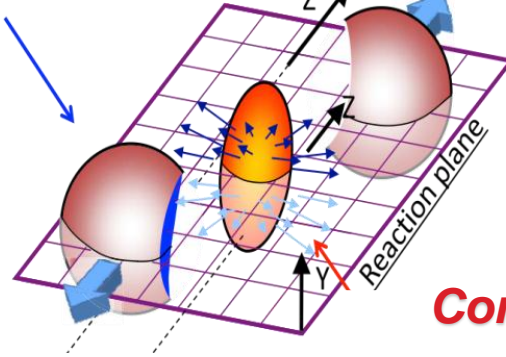
$$\varepsilon_{Bj} = \frac{1}{\pi R^2} \frac{1}{\tau_0} \frac{dE_T}{dy}$$

$$\sim 5-15 \frac{\text{GeV}}{\text{fm}^3} \quad \varepsilon = \frac{\langle y^2 - x^2 \rangle}{\langle y^2 + x^2 \rangle}$$

$$\left(P = \rho^2 \cdot \left(\frac{\partial \varepsilon_{Bj}}{\partial \rho} \right) \Big|_{s/\rho} \right)$$

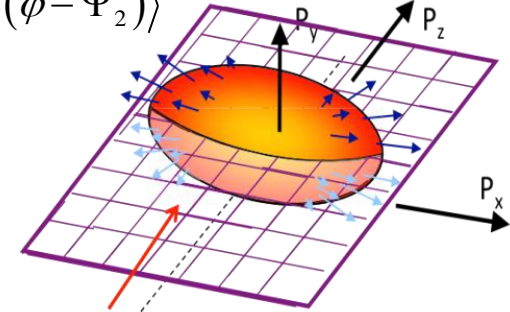
Idealized Geometry

spectator



spectator

$$v_2 = \langle \cos 2(\varphi - \Psi_2) \rangle$$

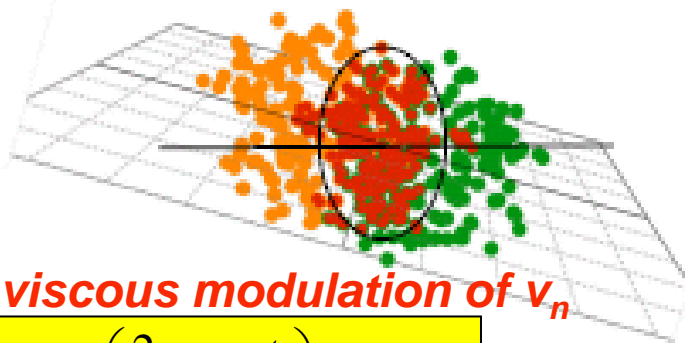


collision zone

Control parameters

$$\varepsilon, c_s, \frac{\eta}{s}, \frac{\zeta}{s}, T$$

Actual collision profiles are not smooth, due to fluctuations!

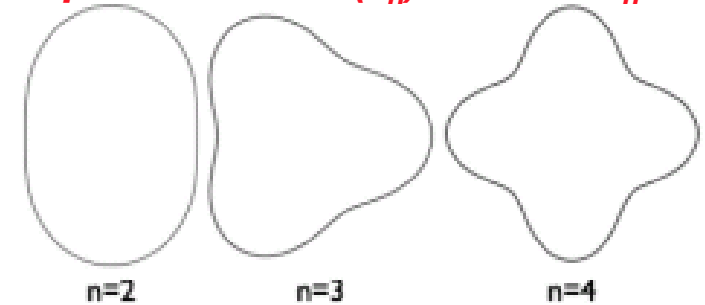


Acoustic viscous modulation of v_n

$$\delta T_{\mu\nu}(t, k) = \exp\left(\frac{2}{3} \frac{\eta}{s} k^2 \frac{t}{T}\right) \delta T_{\mu\nu}(0)$$

Staig & Shuryak arXiv:1008.3139

Initial Geometry characterized by many shape harmonics (ε_n) \rightarrow drive v_n



$$\varepsilon_n = \frac{\langle r^n \cos(n\varphi_{part}) \rangle^2 + \langle r^n \sin(n\varphi_{part}) \rangle^2}{\langle r^n \rangle^2}$$

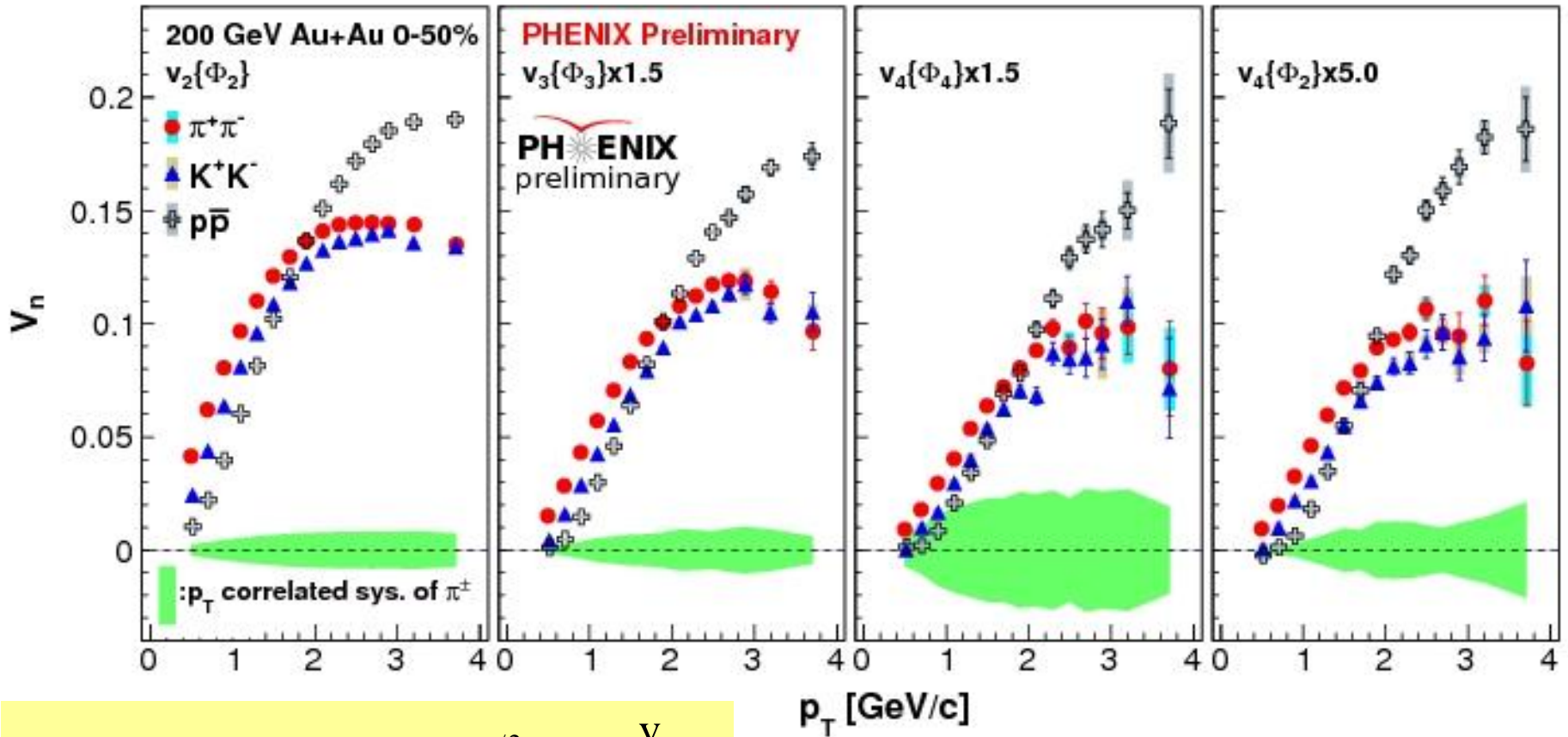
Initial eccentricity (and its attendant fluctuations) ε_n drive momentum anisotropy v_n with specific scaling properties

A few insights from the scaling patterns of flow

Flow

- ✓ is dominantly partonic,
 - ✓ is sensitive to the harder EOS sampled in LHC collisions
 - ✓ is acoustic
 - viscous damping follows dispersion relation for sound propagation → important constraint for $\langle \eta/s \rangle$ and its Temp. dependence
- ***These reflect characteristic scaling patterns which are experimentally validated***

Is flow partonic?



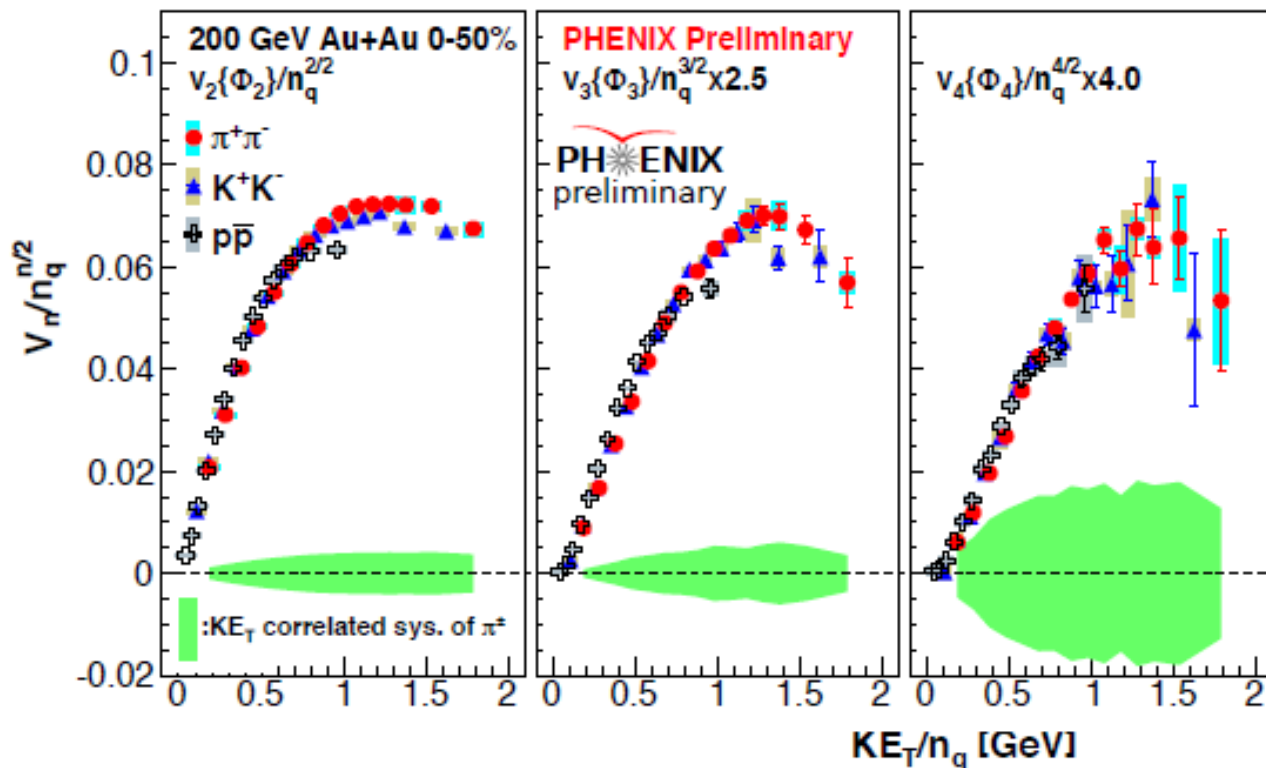
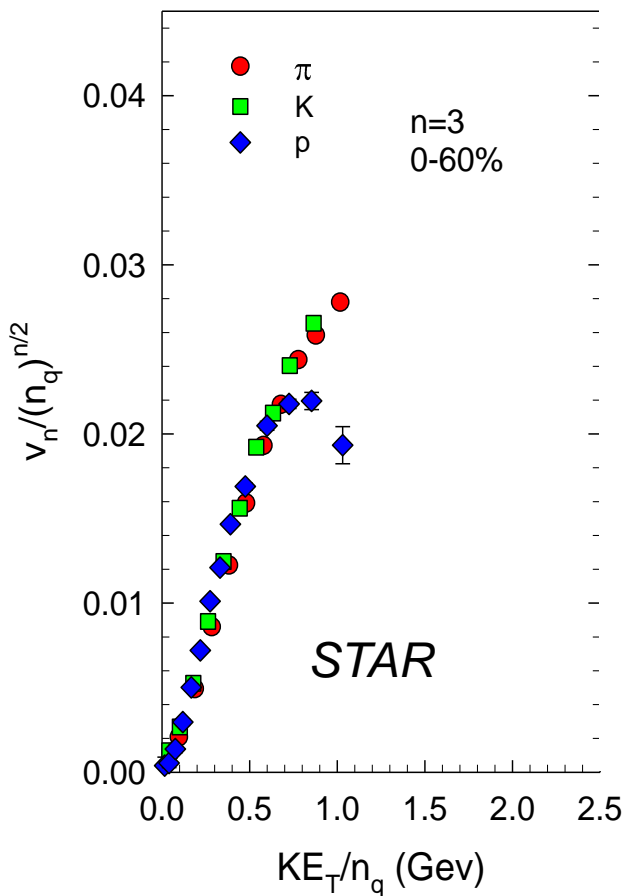
Expectation: $v_n(KE_T) \sim v_2^{n/2}$ or $\frac{v_n}{(n_q)^{n/2}}$

Note species dependence for all v_n

**For partonic flow, quark number scaling expected
 → single curve for identified particle species v_n**

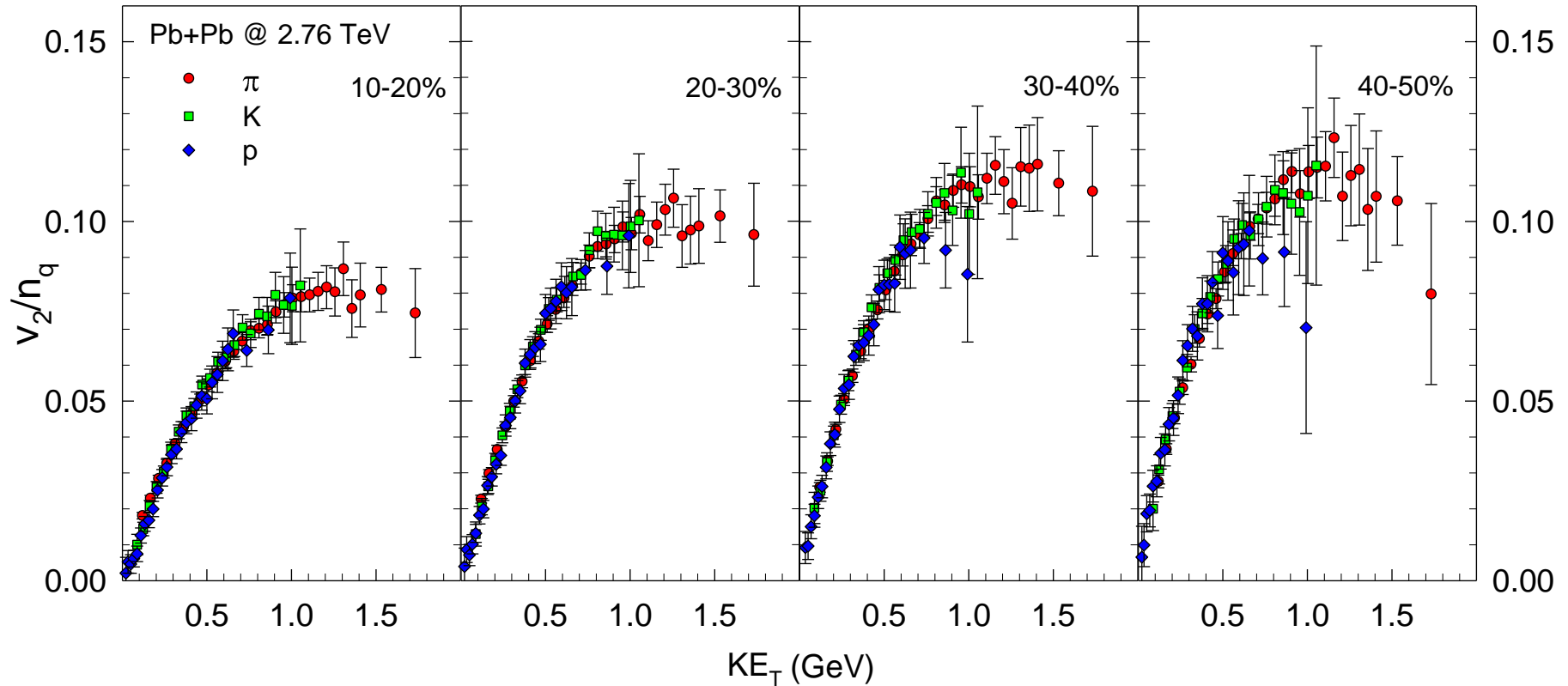
Flow is partonic @ RHIC

v_n PID scaling



KE_T & $(n_q)^{n/2}$ scaling validated for v_n
 \rightarrow Partonic flow

Flow is partonic @ the LHC



Scaling for partonic flow validated after accounting for proton blueshift

➤ Proton flow blueshifted [hydrodynamic prediction]

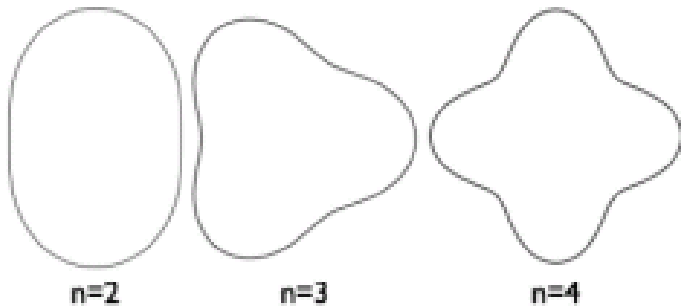
✓ **Sensitivity to harder EOS**

✓ **Role of radial flow**

✓ **Role of hadronic re-scattering?**

Is hydrodynamic flow acoustic?

ε_n drive momentum anisotropy v_n with modulation



Initial Geometry
characterized by many
shape harmonics (ε_n)
→ drive v_n

Modulation
→ **Acoustic**

$$\delta T_{\mu\nu}(t, k) = \exp\left(\frac{2}{3} \frac{\eta}{s} k^2 \frac{t}{T}\right) \delta T_{\mu\nu}(0)$$

$$2\pi\bar{R} = n\lambda_g$$

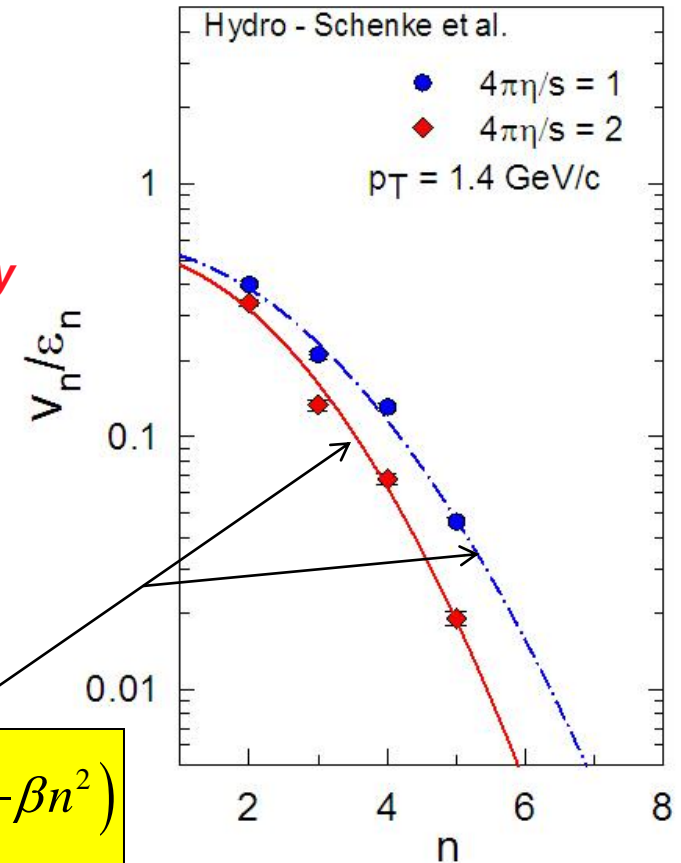
$$k = \frac{n}{\bar{R}}$$

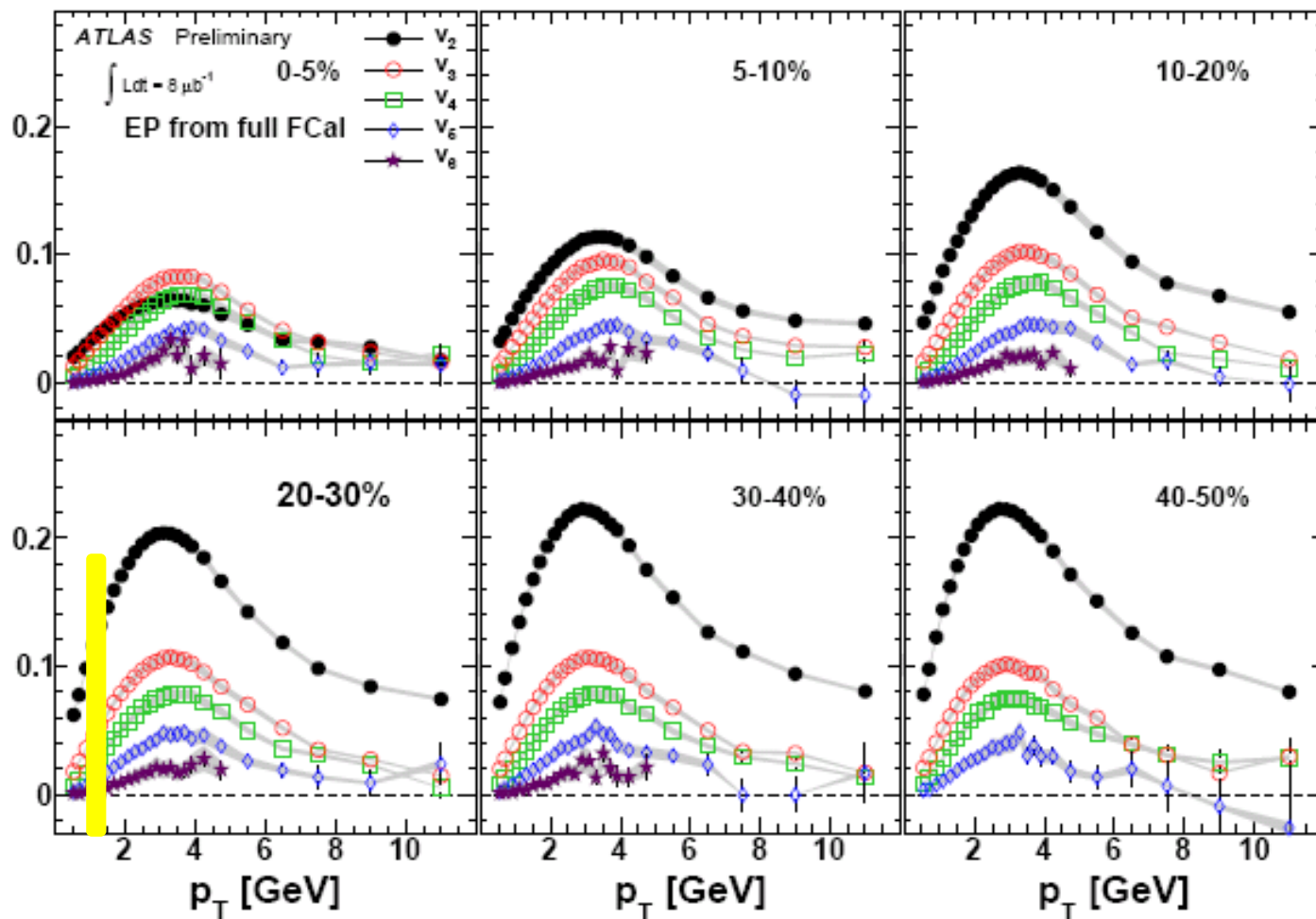
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Note: the hydrodynamic response to the initial geometry [alone] is included

Characteristic n^2 viscous damping for harmonics
→ **Crucial constraint for η/s**

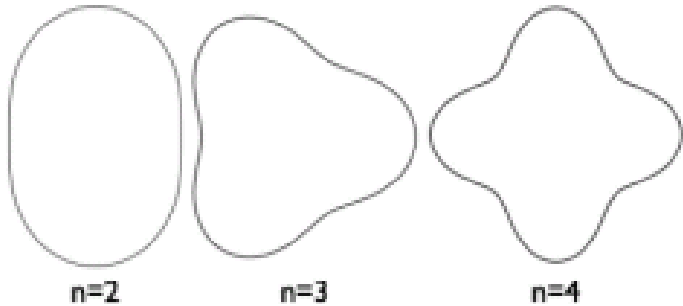




High precision double differential Measurements are pervasive
Do they scale?

Flow is acoustic

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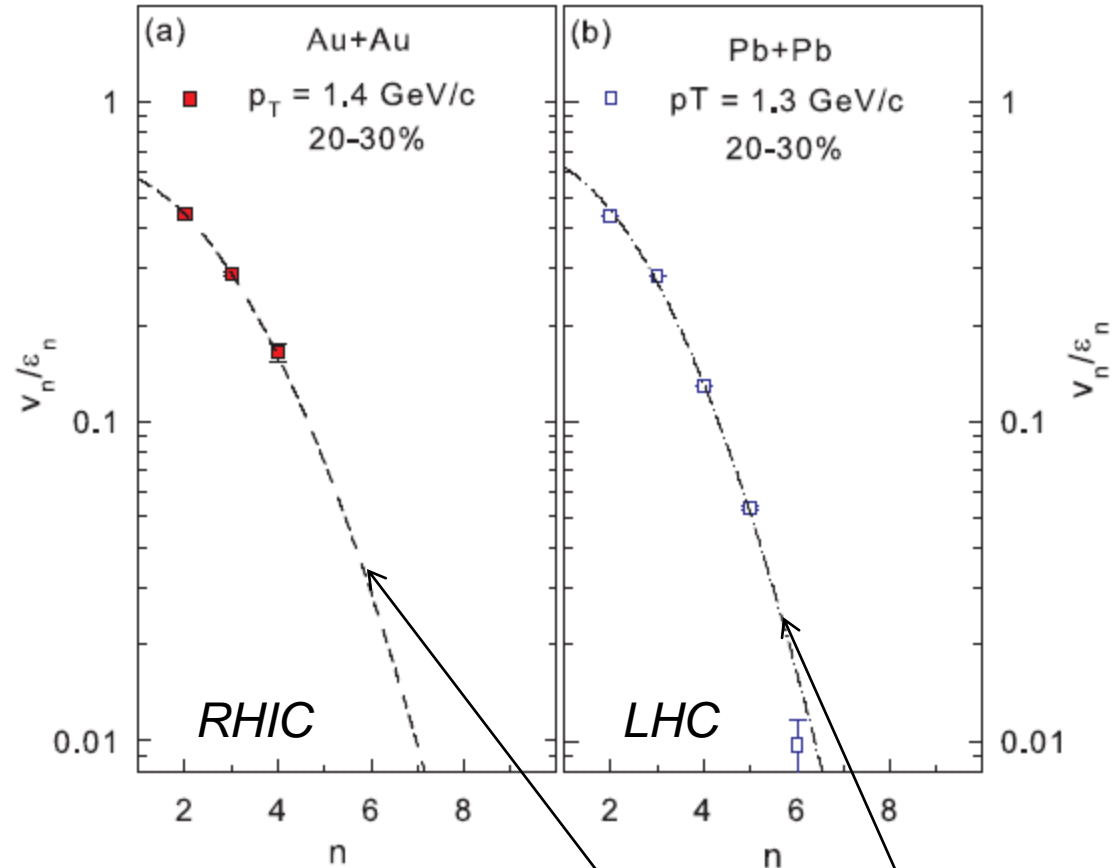


$$2\pi\bar{R} = n\lambda_g$$

Deformation $k = \frac{n}{\bar{R}}$

**Characteristic viscous damping
of the harmonics validated
→ Constraint for $\beta \rightarrow \eta/s$ estimates
at RHIC & LHC**

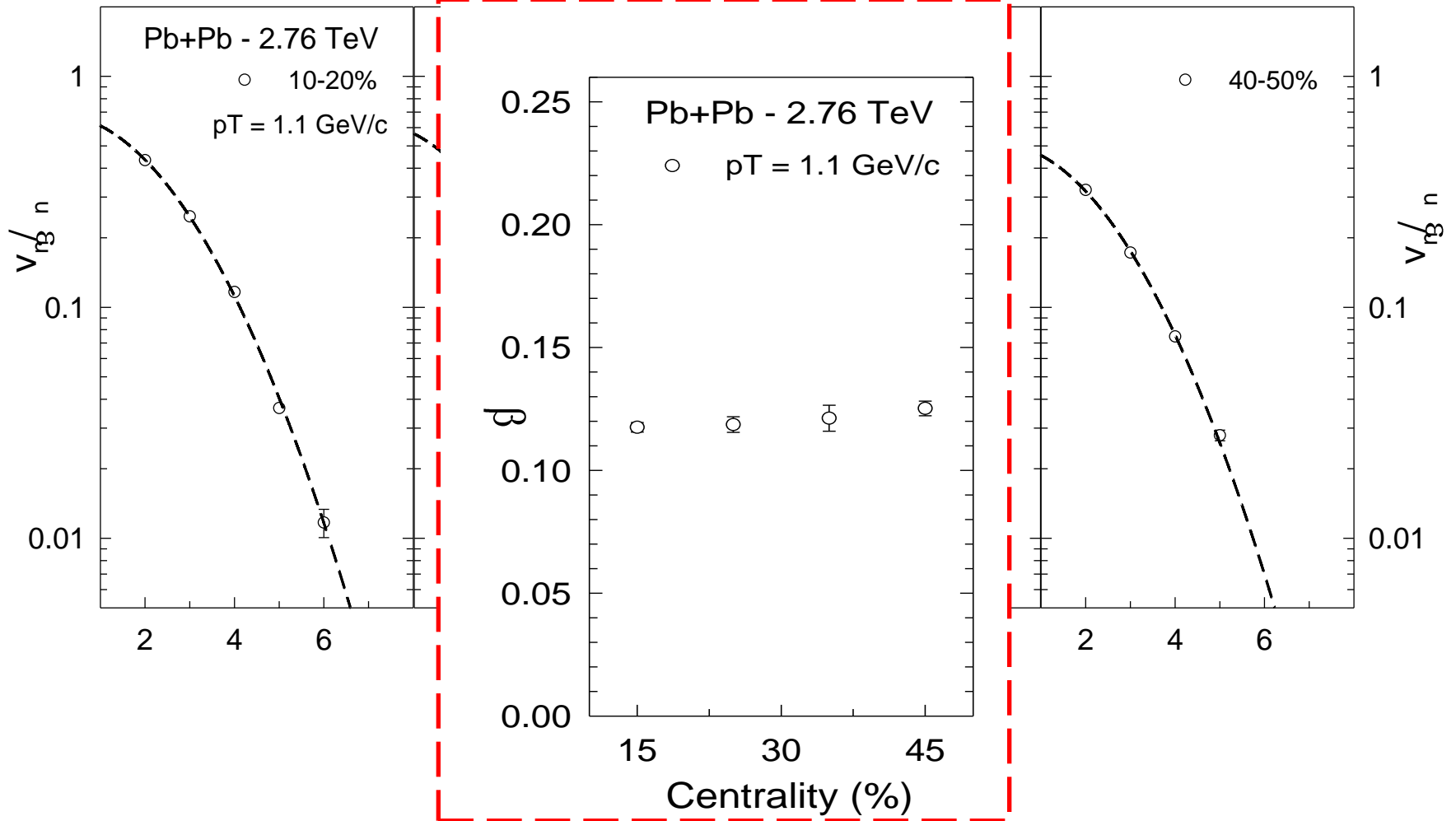
$$\frac{\eta}{s} \sim \frac{1}{4\pi}$$



$$\frac{v_n}{\epsilon_n} = \alpha \cdot \exp(-\beta n^2)$$

Acoustic Scaling

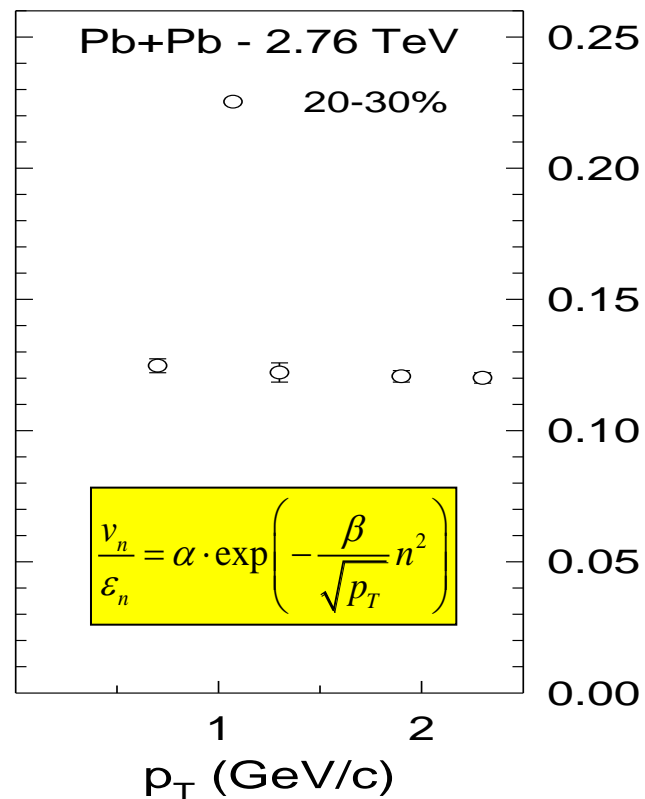
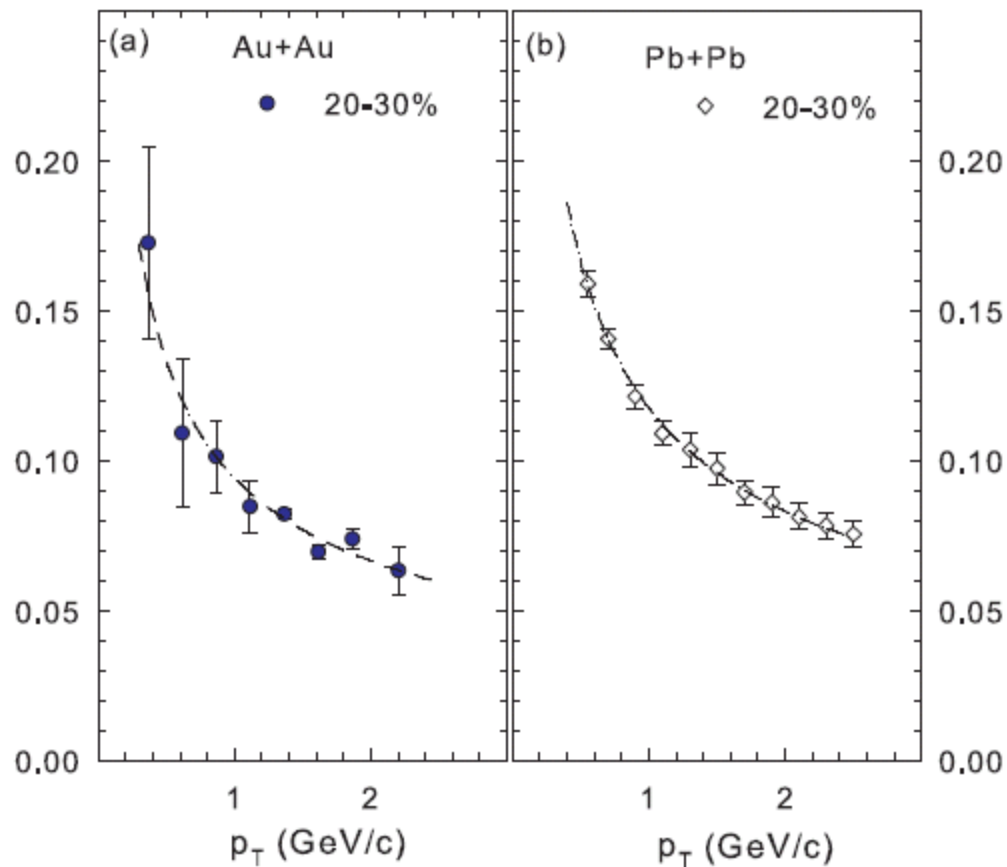
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β is essentially independent of centrality for a broad centrality range

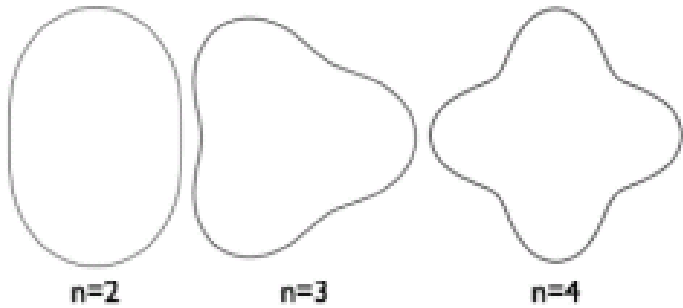
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✓ single universal curve for v_n

Constraint for η/s & δf



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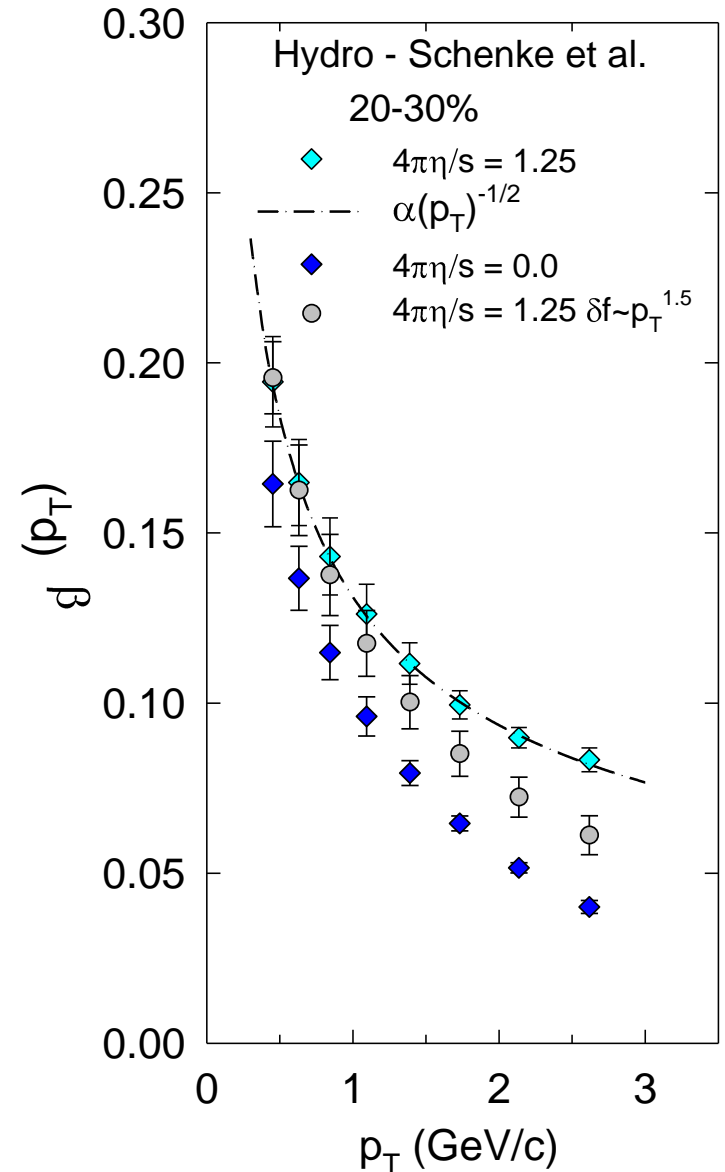
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Particle Dist. $f = f_0 + \delta f(p_T)$

$$\delta f(p_T) \sim \frac{p_T^{2-\alpha}}{T_f}$$

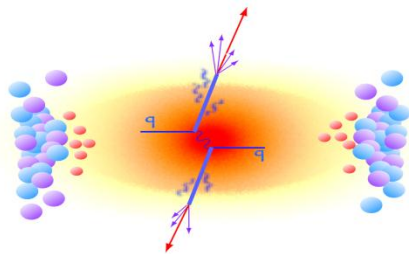
Characteristic p_T dependence of β
→ Additional constraint for δf and η/s

✓ **$\langle \eta/s \rangle$ comparable at LHC and RHIC**



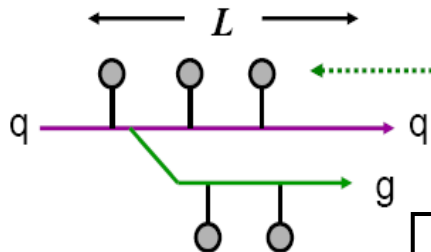
Scaling properties of Jet Quenching

Jet quenching Probe



Radiative:

$$\frac{dE}{dx} \sim \sigma \rho L \langle k_T^2 \rangle$$



Color charge scattering centers

Range of Color Force

$$\hat{q} \sim \rho \sigma \langle k_T^2 \rangle \sim \frac{\mu^2}{\lambda}$$

Obtain \$\rho\$ and \$\hat{q}\$ via \$R_{AA}\$ measurements

Scattering Power Of Medium

Density of Scattering centers

Gyulassy, Wang, Müller, ...

$$R_{AA} = \frac{\text{Yield}_{AA}}{\langle N_{\text{binary}} \rangle_{AA} \text{Yield}_{pp}}$$

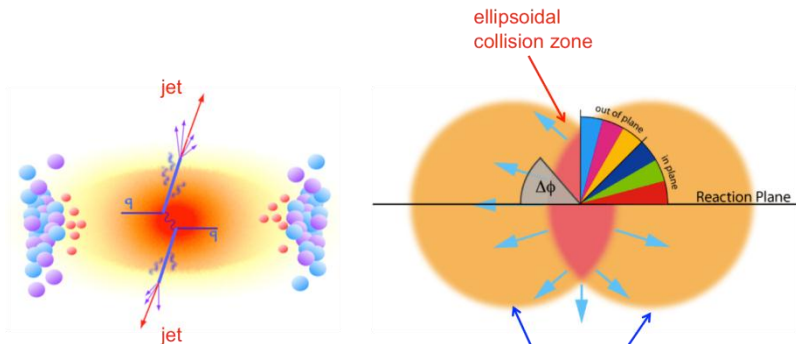
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Radiativ E-loss

Dokshitzer and D. E. Kharzeev

Control parameters

$$\alpha_s, p_T, L, \hat{q}$$



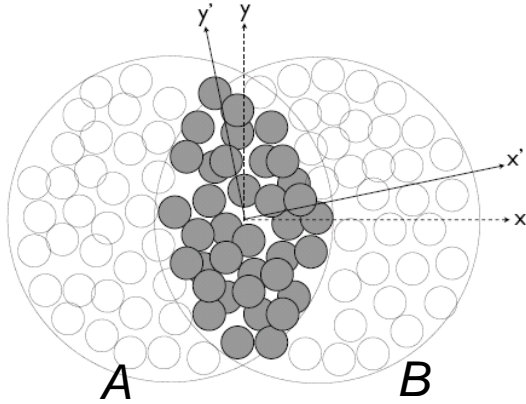
Suppression for \$\Delta L\$

$$N(\Delta\phi, p_T) \propto [1 + 2v_2(p_T) \cos(2\Delta\phi)]$$

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Jet quenching drives \$R_{AA}\$ & high-\$p_T\$ azimuthal anisotropy with specific scaling properties

Geometric Quantities for scaling



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$$S_{nx} \equiv S_n \cos(n\Psi_n^*) = \int d\mathbf{r}_\perp \rho_s(\mathbf{r}_\perp) \omega(\mathbf{r}_\perp) \cos(n\phi)$$

$$S_{ny} \equiv S_n \sin(n\Psi_n^*) = \int d\mathbf{r}_\perp \rho_s(\mathbf{r}_\perp) \omega(\mathbf{r}_\perp) \sin(n\phi),$$

$$\Psi_n^* = \frac{1}{n} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{S_{ny}}{S_{nx}} \right)$$

$$\varepsilon_n = \langle \cos n(\phi - \psi_n^*) \rangle$$

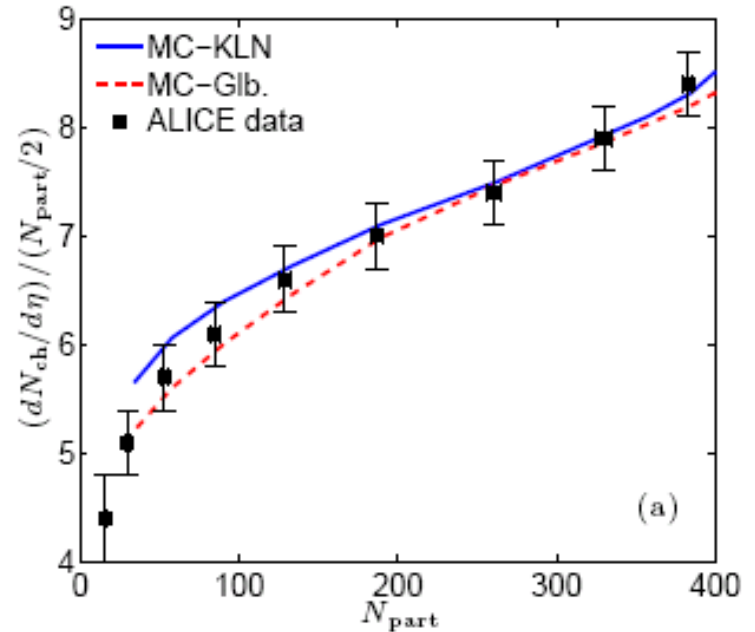
$$\frac{1}{\bar{R}} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{\sigma_x^2} + \frac{1}{\sigma_y^2} \right)}$$

σ_x & $\sigma_y \rightarrow$ RMS widths of density distribution

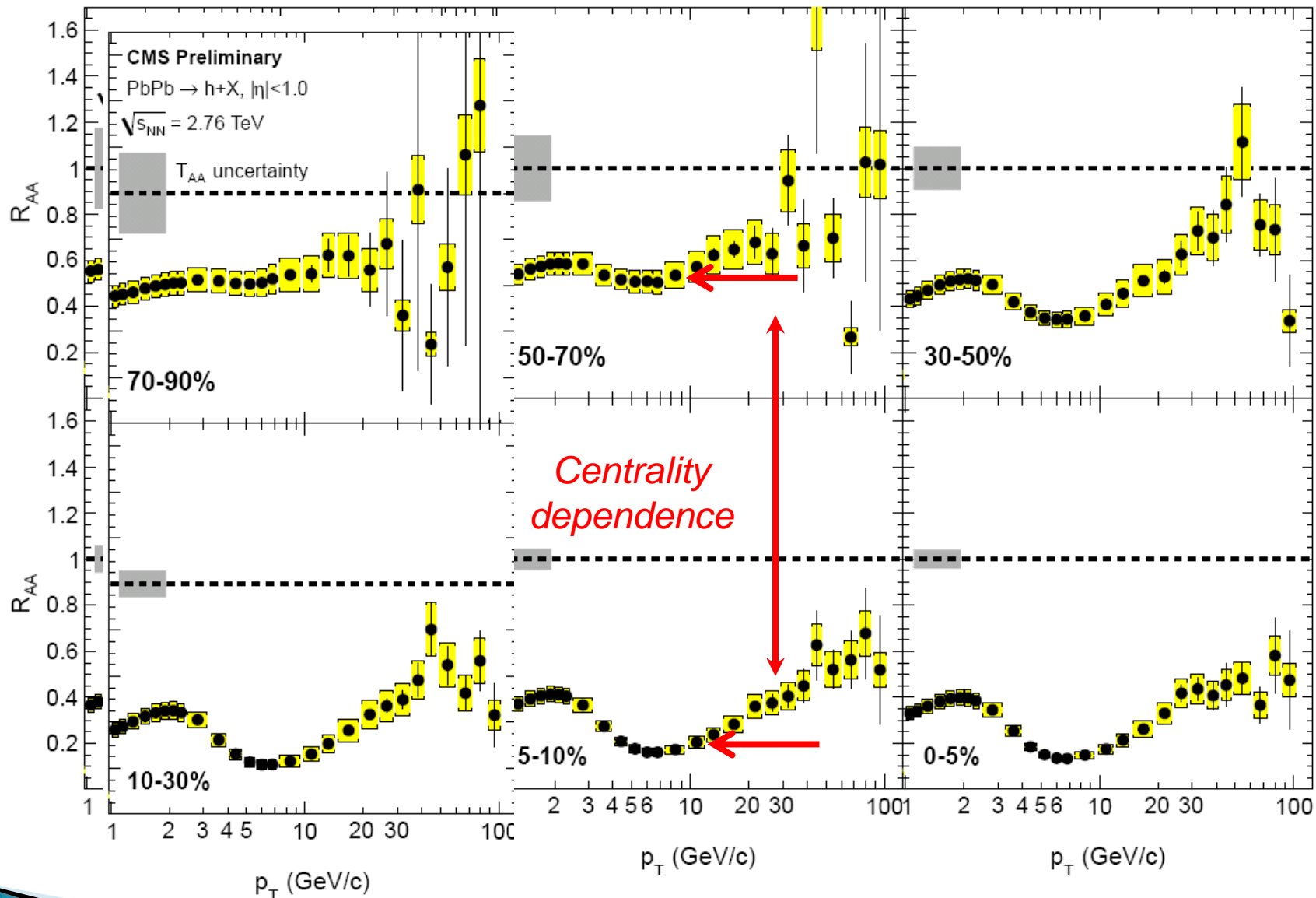
$$L = \bar{R}$$

$$\Delta L \sim \varepsilon \bar{R}$$

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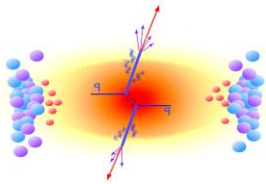


- **Geometric fluctuations included**
- **Geometric quantities constrained by multiplicity density.**



Specific p_T and centrality dependencies – Do they scale?

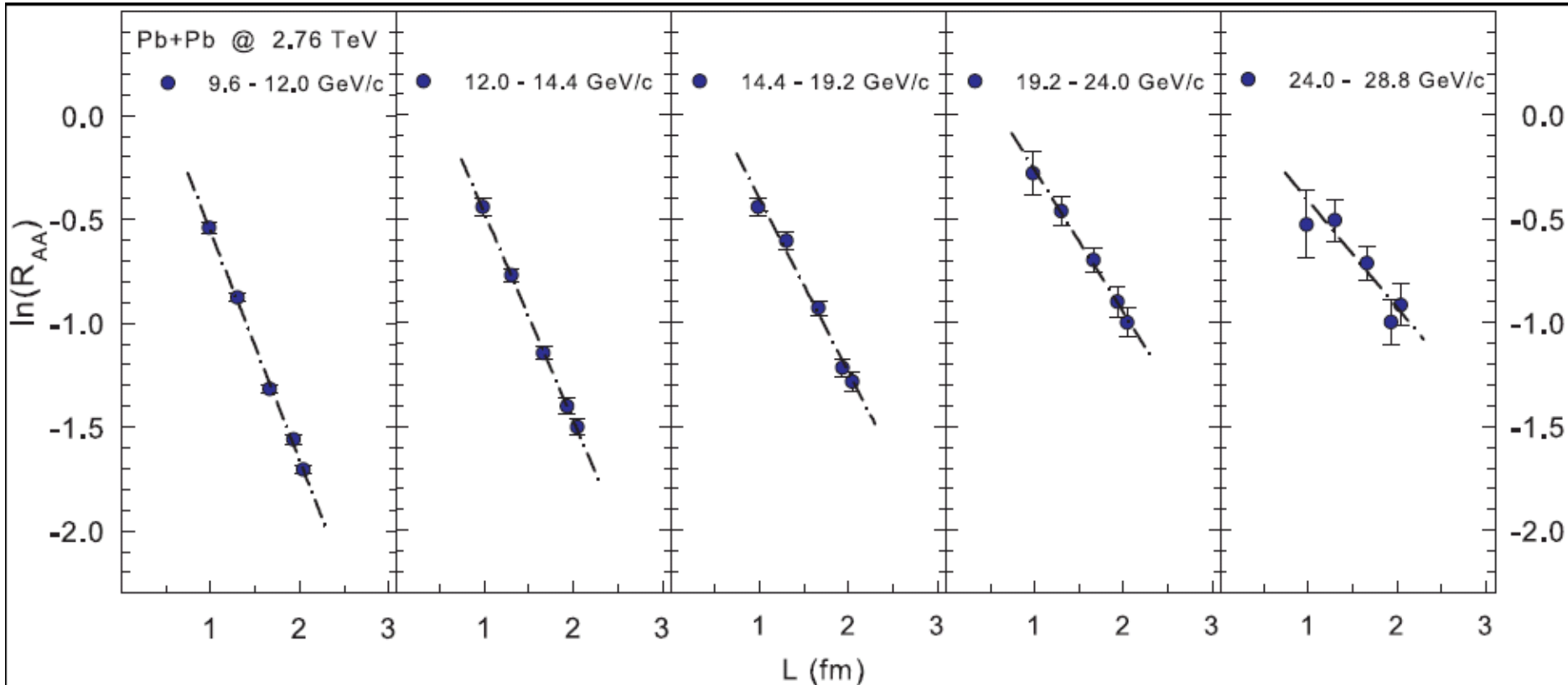
Scaling of Jet Quenching



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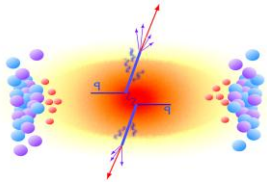
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R_{AA} scales with L , slopes (S_L) encodes info on α_s and \hat{q}
 ✓ Compatible with the dominance of radiative energy loss

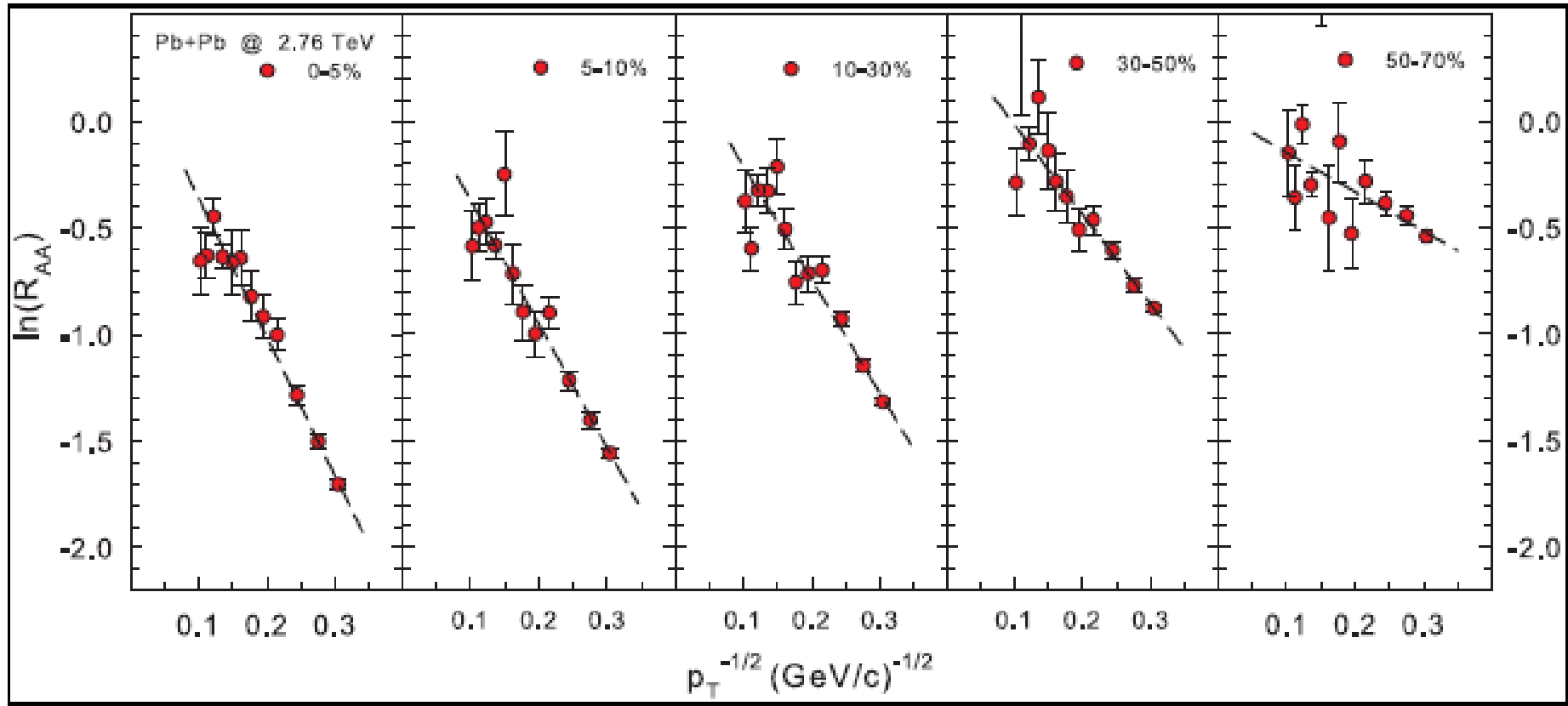
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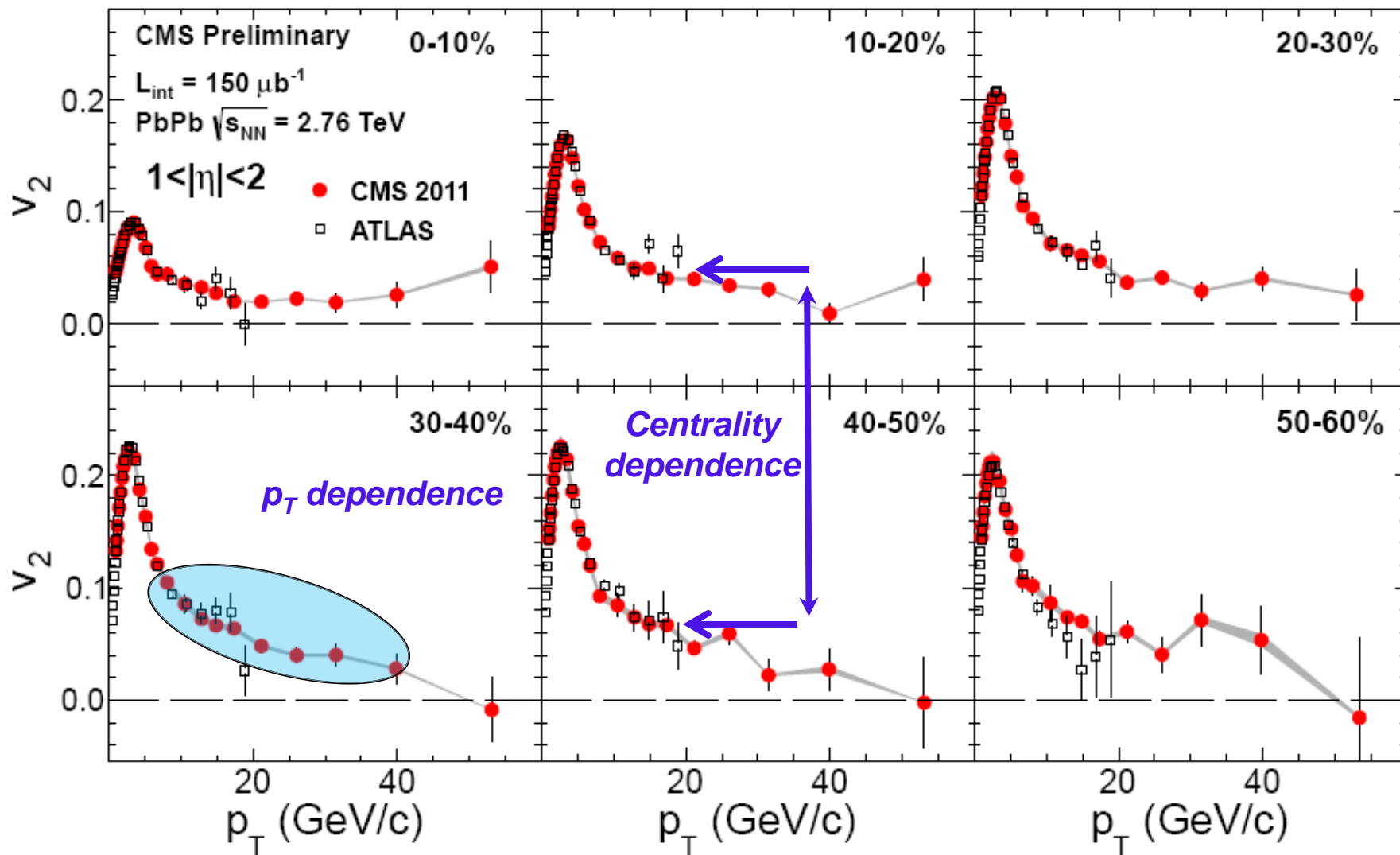
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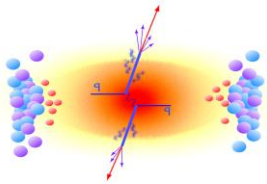


- R_{AA} scales as $1/\sqrt{p_T}$; slopes (S_{p_T}) encode info on α_s and \hat{q}
- ✓ L and $1/\sqrt{p_T}$ scaling \rightarrow single universal curve
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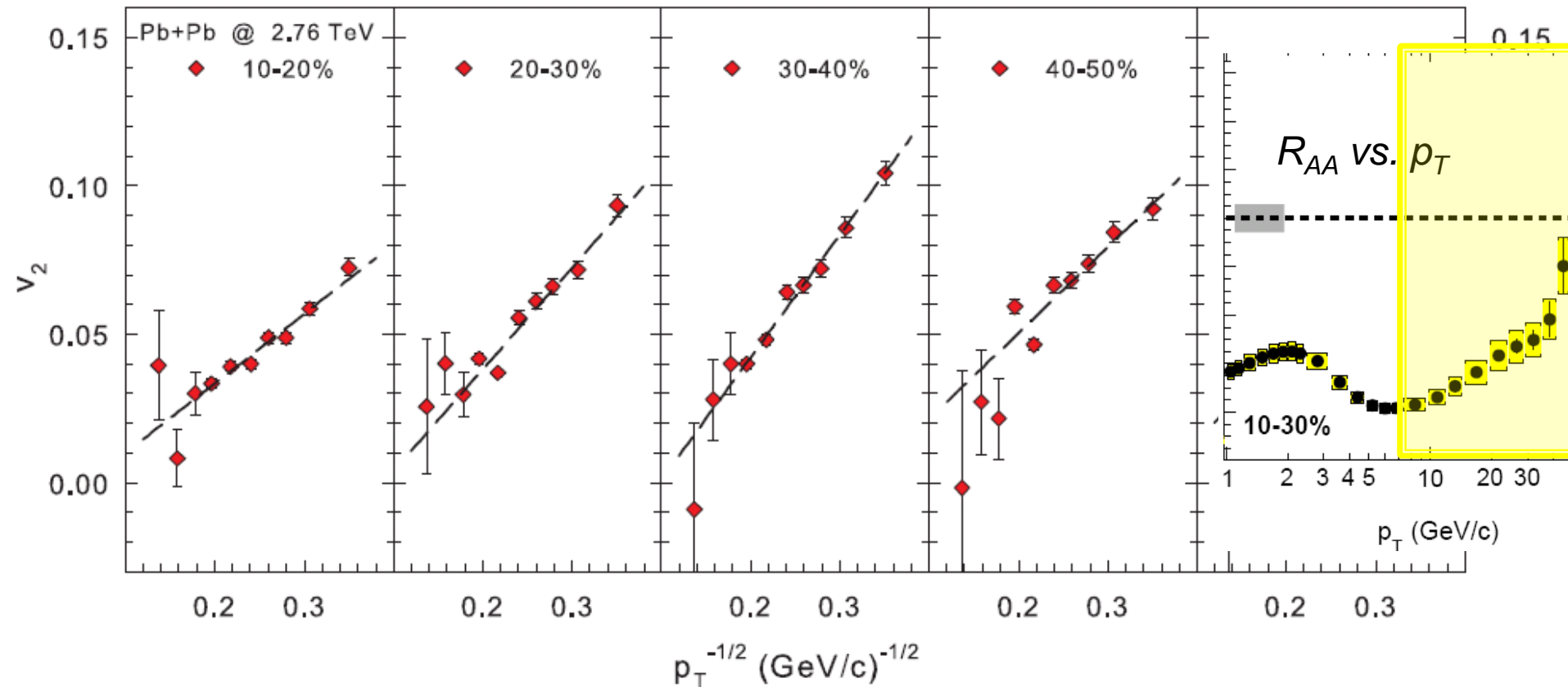
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Scaling of high- p_T v_2



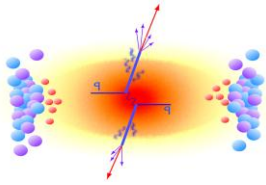
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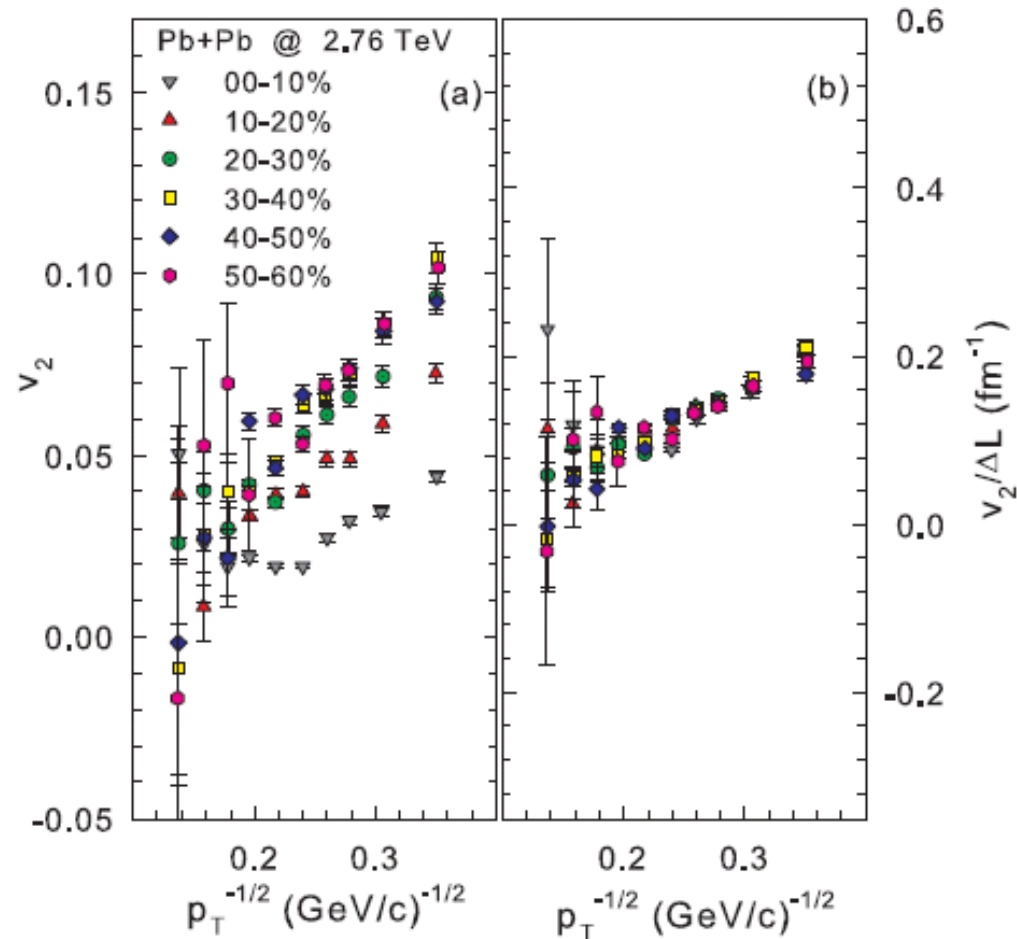
v_2 follows the p_T dependence observed for jet quenching
 Note the expected inversion of the $1/\sqrt{p_T}$ dependence

ΔL Scaling of high- p_T v_2



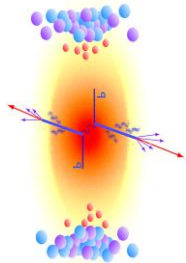
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Combined ΔL and $1/\sqrt{p_T}$ scaling \rightarrow single universal curve for v_2

Jet suppression from high- p_T v_2

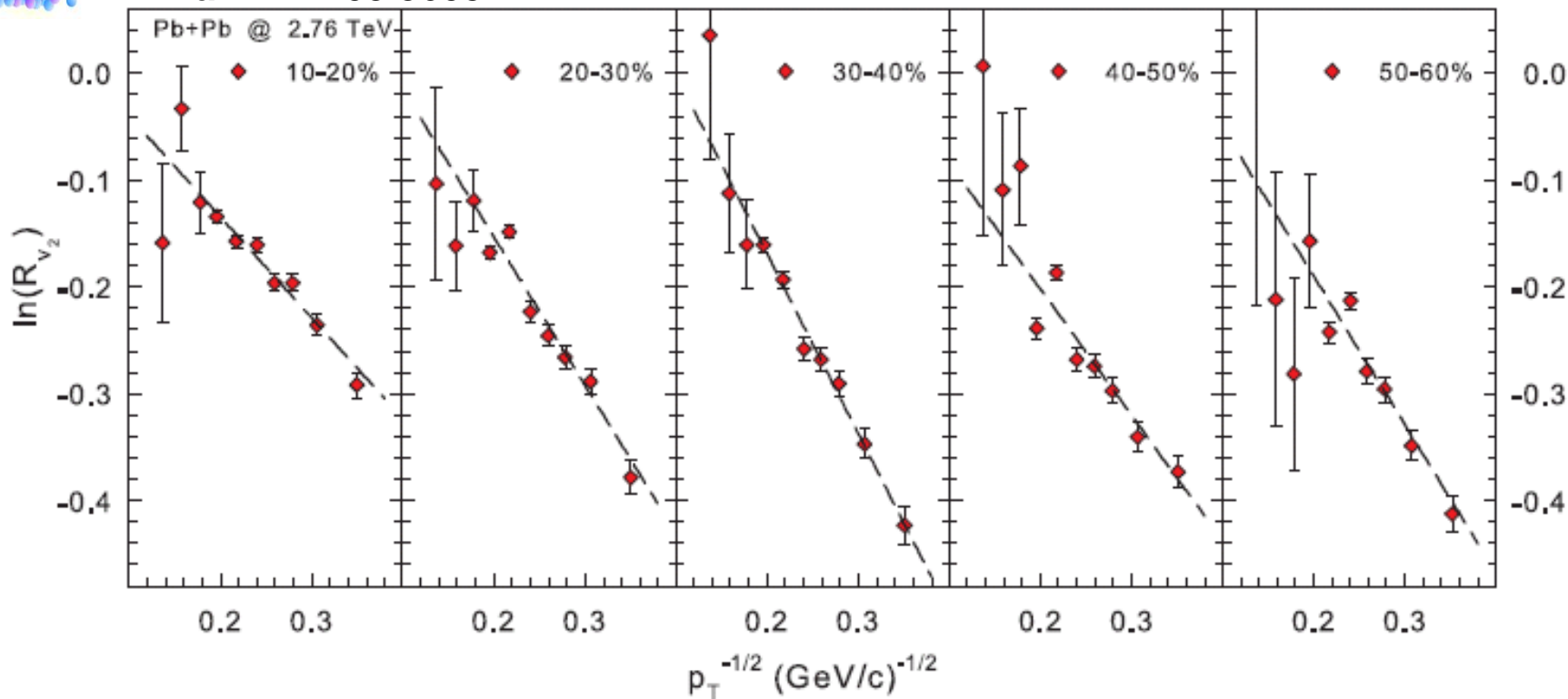


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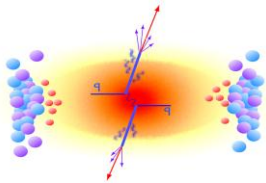
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Jet suppression obtained directly from v_2

R_{v_2} scales as $1/\sqrt{p_T}$, slopes encodes info on α_s and \hat{q}

Extracted stopping power

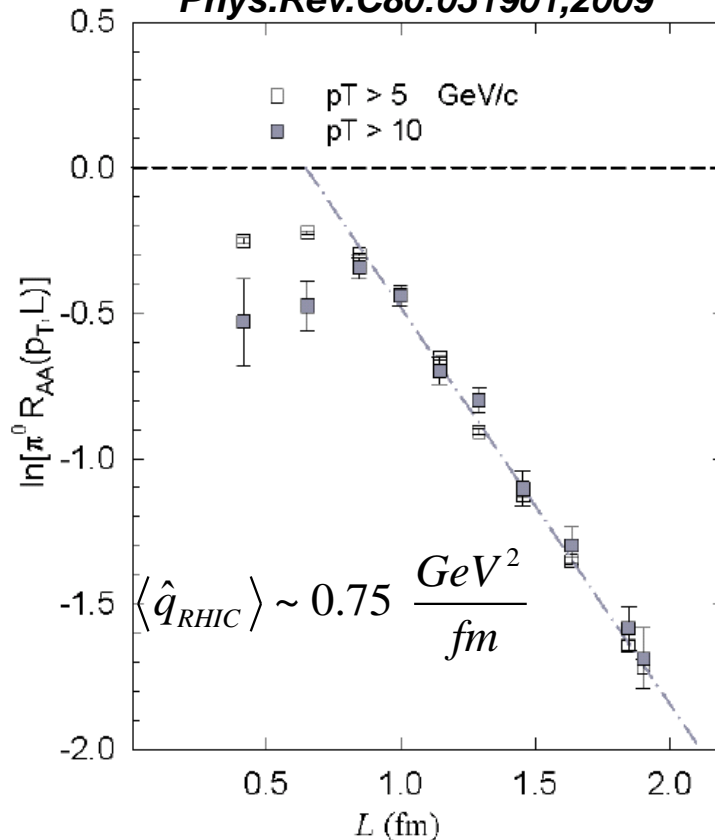
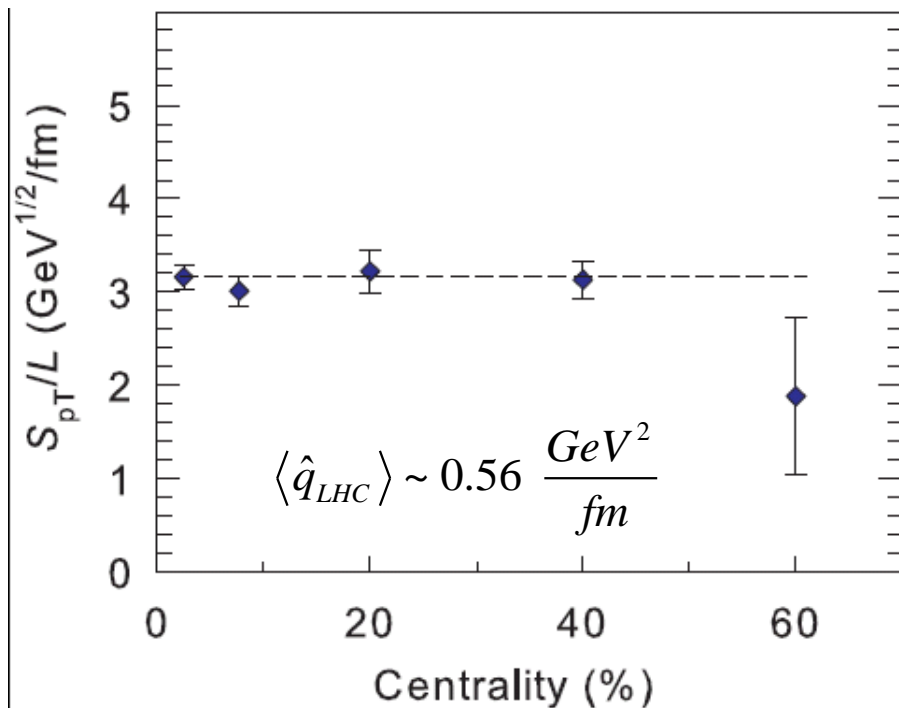


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- \hat{q}_{LHC} obtained from high- p_T v_2 and R_{AA} [same α_s] → similar
- $\hat{q}_{RHIC} > \hat{q}_{LHC}$ - medium produced in LHC collisions less opaque!

Conclusion similar to those of Liao, Betz, Horowitz,
→ Stronger coupling near T_c ?

Summary

Remarkable scaling have been observed for both Flow and Jet Quenching

They lend profound mechanistic insights, as well as New constraints for estimates of the transport and thermodynamic coefficients!

What do we learn?

- R_{AA} and high-pT azimuthal anisotropy stem from the same energy loss mechanism
- Energy loss is dominantly radiative
- R_{AA} and anisotropy measurements give consistent estimates for $\langle \hat{q}_{LHC} \rangle \sim 0.6 \text{ GeV}^2/\text{fm}$
- **The QGP created in RHIC collisions is less opaque than that produced at the LHC**
- **Flow is acoustic**
 - ✓ Flow is pressure driven
 - ✓ Obeys the dispersion relation for sound propagation
- **Flow is partonic**
 - ✓ exhibits scaling $v_{n,q}(KE_T) \sim v_{2,q}^{n/2}$ or $\frac{v_n}{(n_q)^{n/2}}$
- **Constraints for:**
 - ✓ initial geometry
 - ✓ $\langle \eta/s \rangle$ comparable at LHC and RHIC $\sim 1/4\pi$
 - ✓ actual temp dependence coming soon

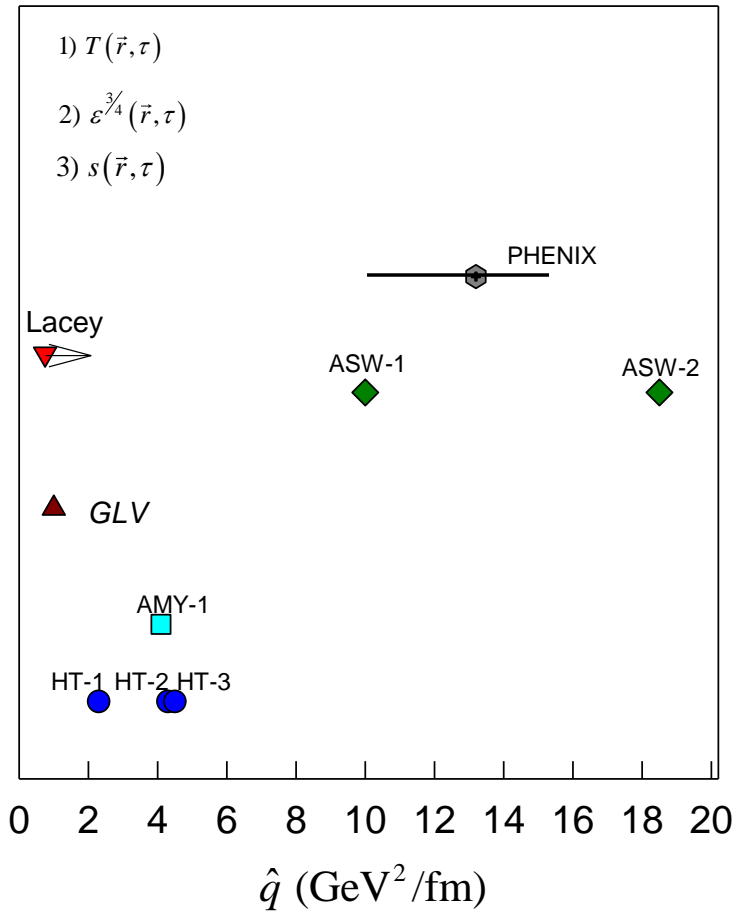
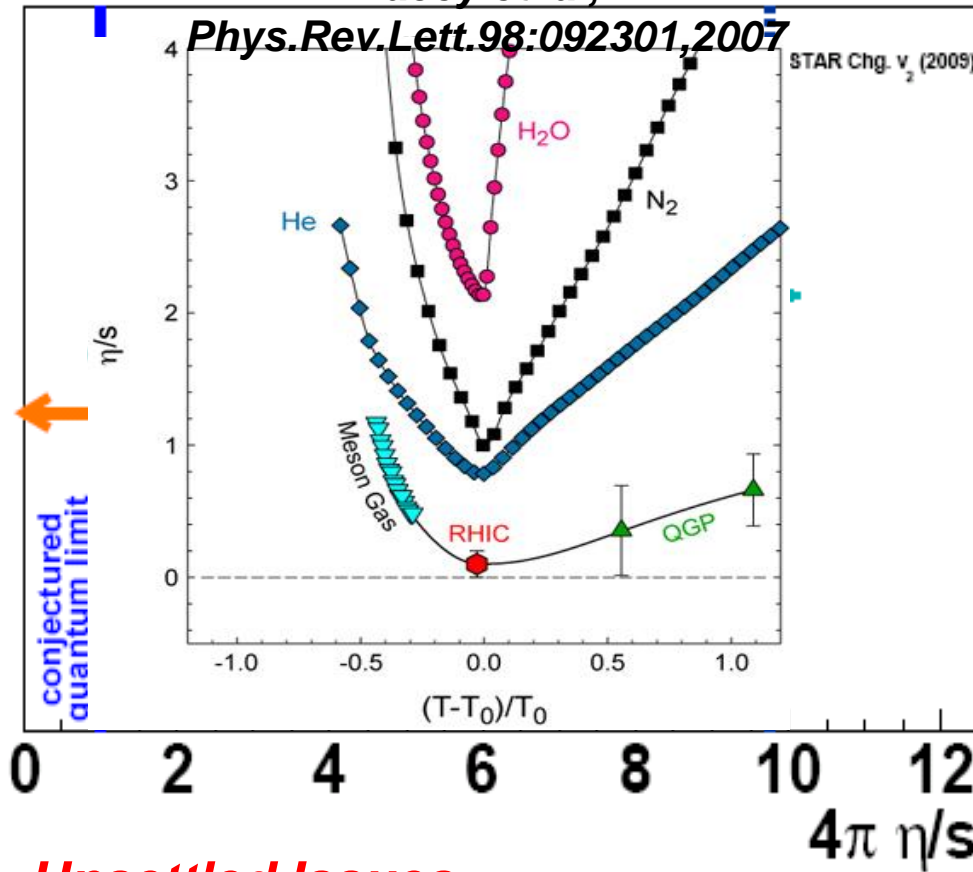
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Transport coefficient estimates – 2009

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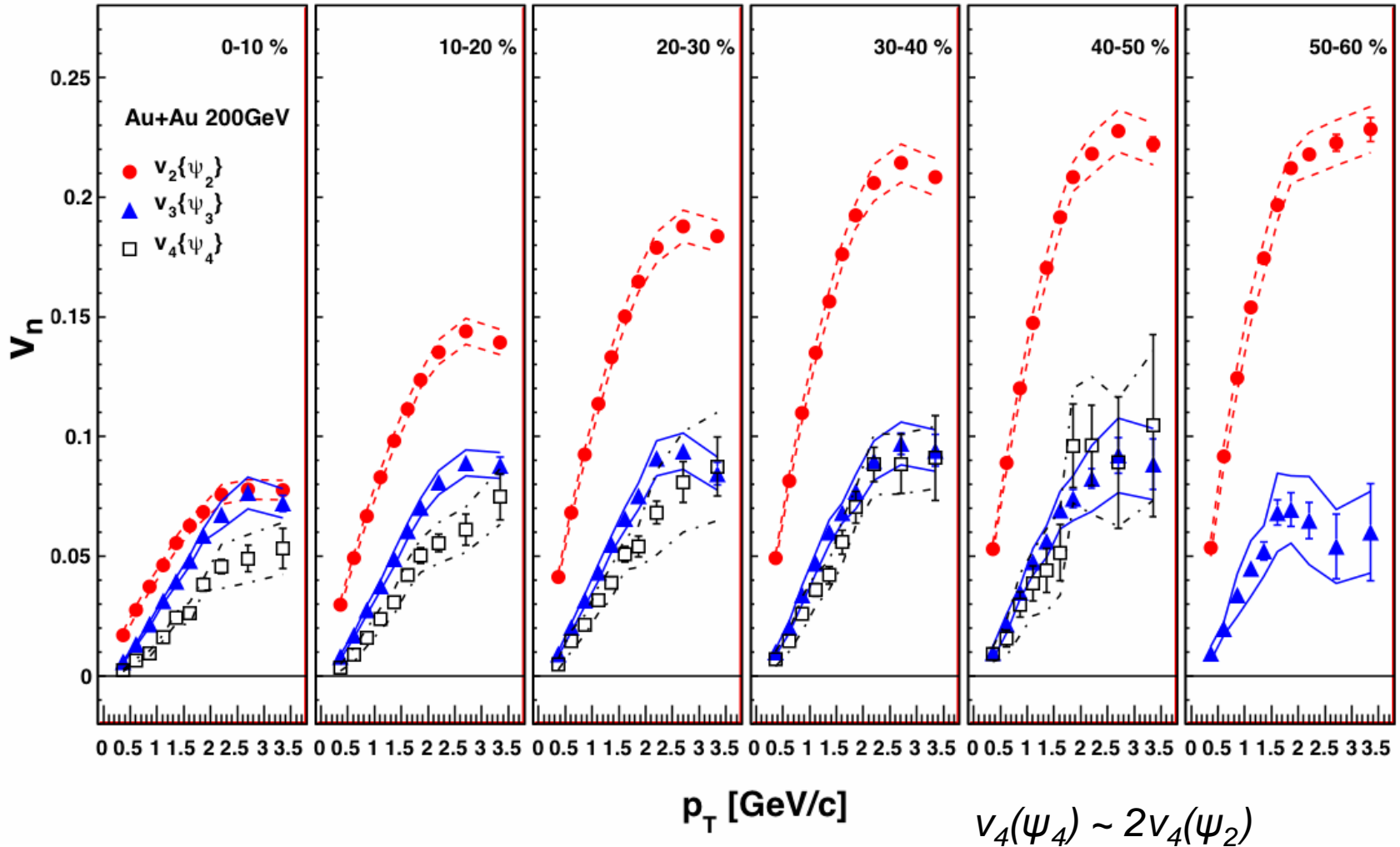


Unsettled Issues

- Detailed mechanistic understanding?
- Quantitative values (including T/t dependence)?
- Evidence for change in coupling strength close to T_c ?
- ε , α_s , δf , etc. **!!Much work to be done!!**

$v_n(\psi_n)$ Measurements - PHENIX

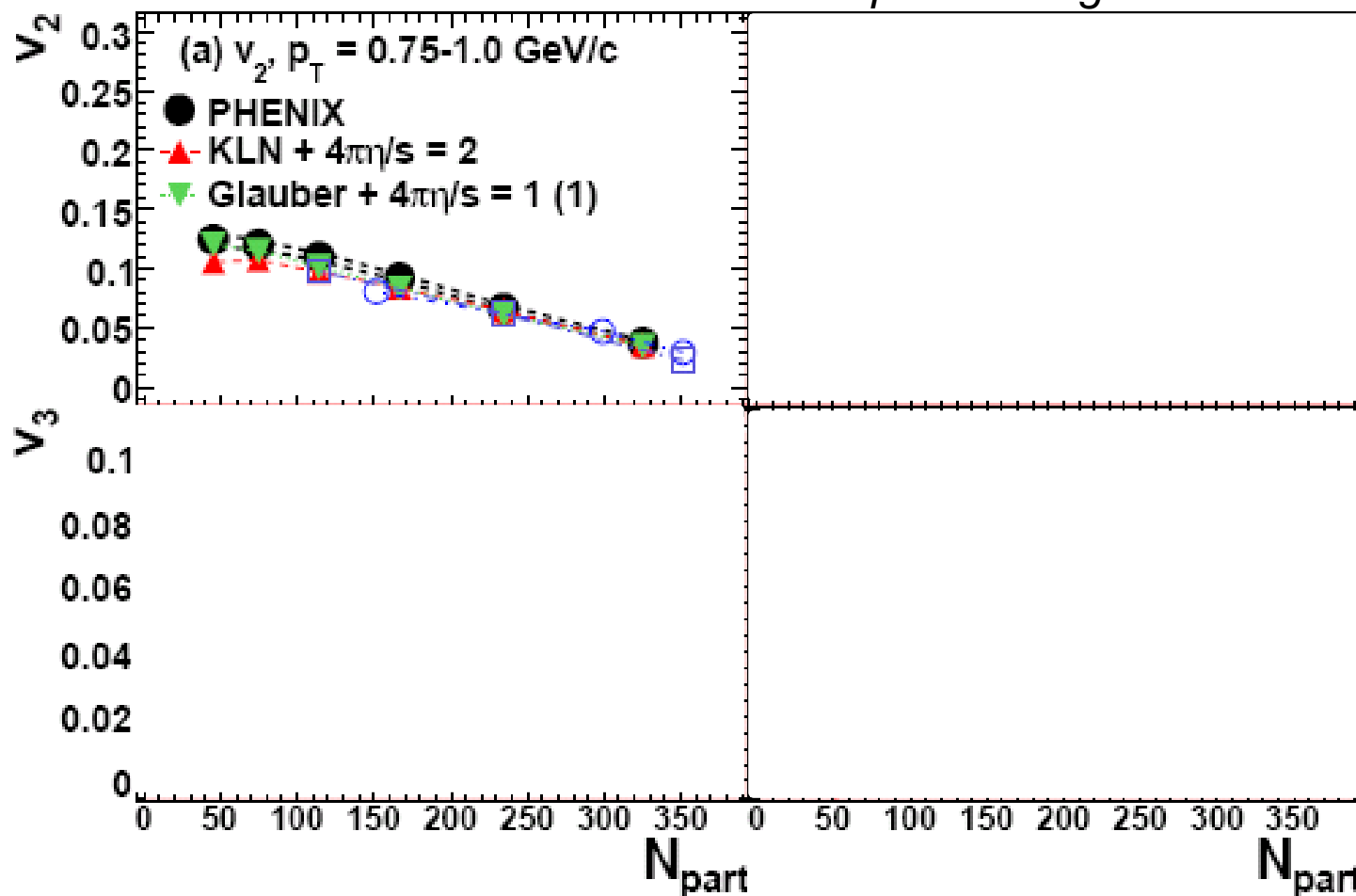
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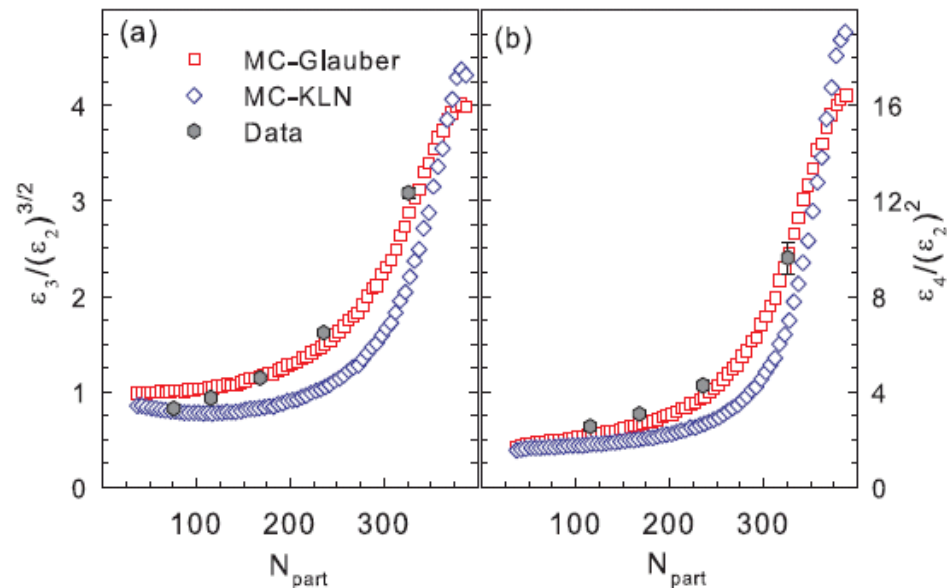
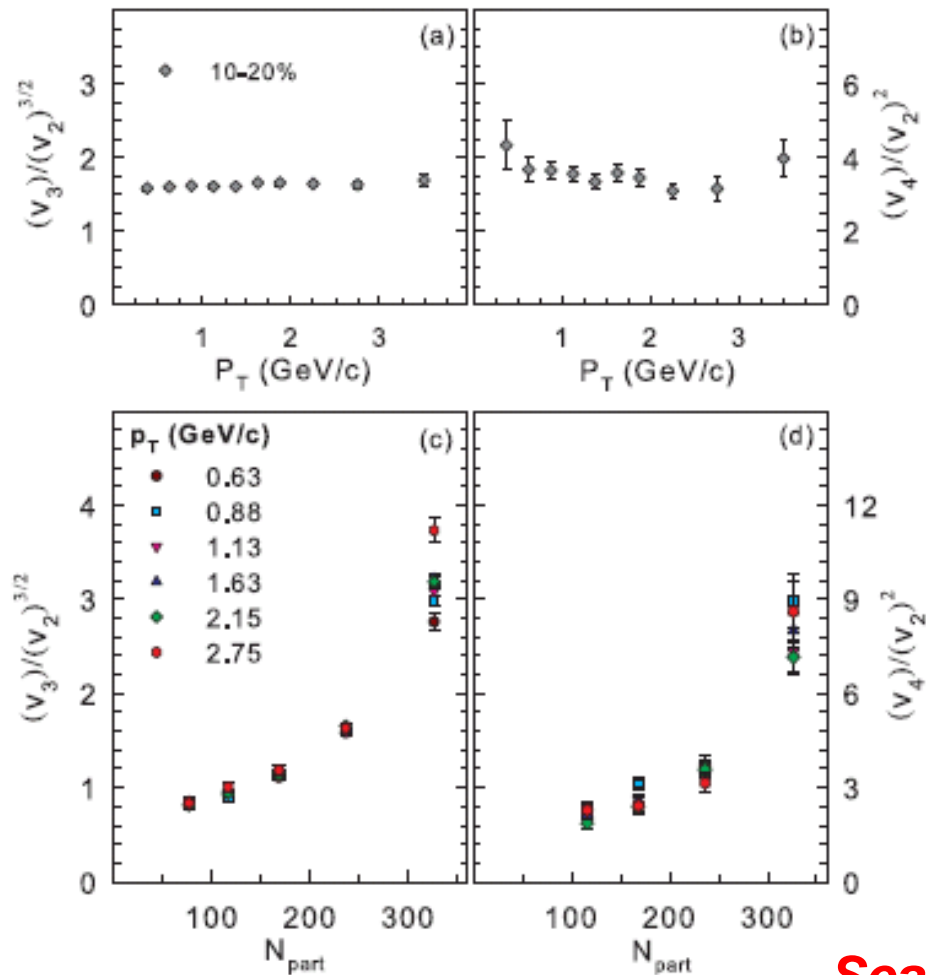
Decoupling the Interplay between ϵ_n and η/s

<http://arxiv.org/abs/1105.3928>



v_3 breaks the ambiguity between MC-KLN vs. MC-Glauber initial conditions and η/s , because of the n^2 dependence of viscous corrections

Flow is partonic



Scaling for partonic flow validated for v_n
✓ Constraints for ε_n
Similar scaling observed at the LHC