

Dynamical freeze-out in event-by-event hydrodynamics

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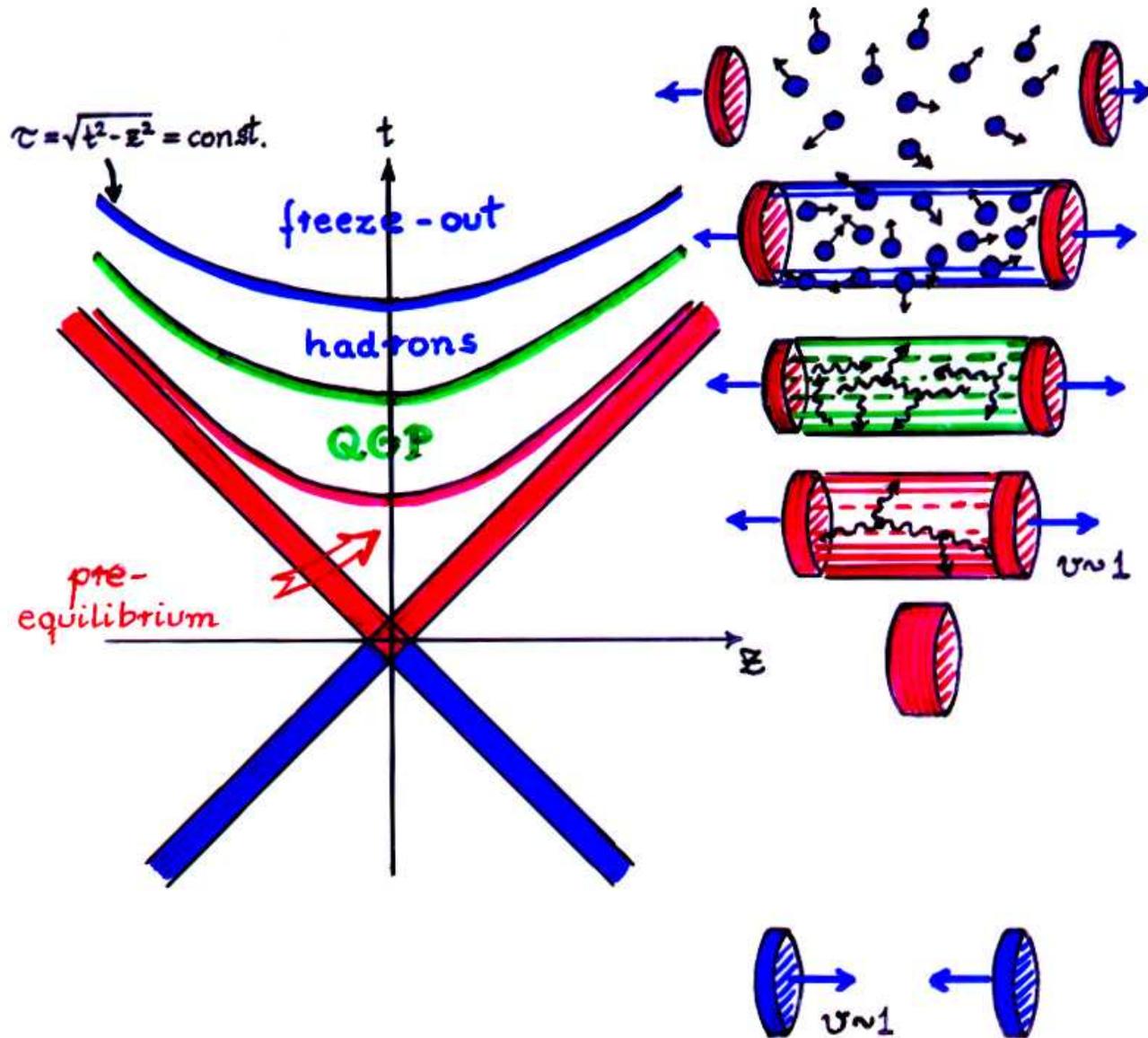
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The space-time picture:



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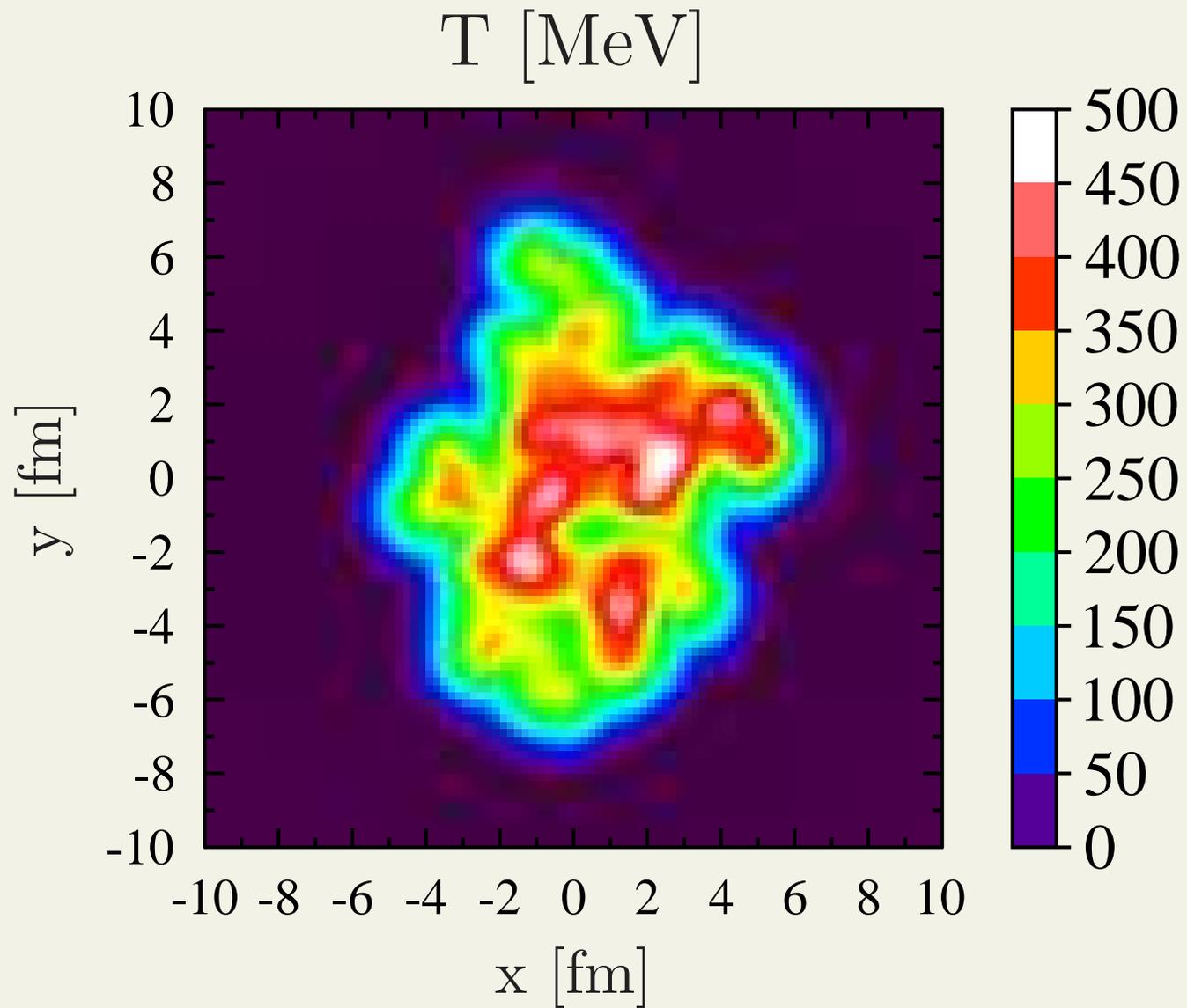
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- $\tau_{\text{scat}}^{-1} \propto T^4 \rightarrow$ rapid transition to free streaming
- **Approximation:** decoupling takes place on **constant temperature hypersurface** $T = T_{\text{fo}}$



fluctuating initial state \implies large gradients

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- Prakash *et al.*, Phys. Rept. 227, 321 (1993):

Parametrization: Daghigh & Kapusta, Phys. Rev. D 65, 064028 (2002)

$$\tau_{\pi\pi}^{-1}(T) \approx 16 \left(\frac{T}{100 \text{ MeV}} \right)^4 \text{ MeV}$$

- pions only, chemical equilibrium

Scattering rate

- evaluate scattering rate of **pions** in **thermal hadron gas**
 - number of scatterings: $N = F_1 N_2 \sigma_{12} = n_1 |\vec{v}_{12}| N_2 \sigma_{12}$
 - $|\vec{v}_{12}| = \sqrt{(s - s_a)(s - s_b)} / (2E_a E_b)$
where $s_a = (m_1 + m_2)^2$ and $s_b = (m_1 - m_2)^2$
 - fold over thermal distributions
 - sum over all scattering partners
 - scatterings per pion \rightarrow divide by pion density

$$\tau_{\text{scat}}^{-1} = \frac{1}{n_{\pi}(T, \mu_{\pi})} \sum_i \int d^3 p_{\pi} d^3 p_i f_{\pi}(T, \mu_{\pi}) f_i(T, \mu_{\pi}) \frac{\sqrt{(s - s_a)(s - s_b)}}{2E_{\pi} E_i} \sigma_{\pi i}(s)$$

- what is $\sigma_{\pi i}$?

Cross sections

• as in UrQMD:

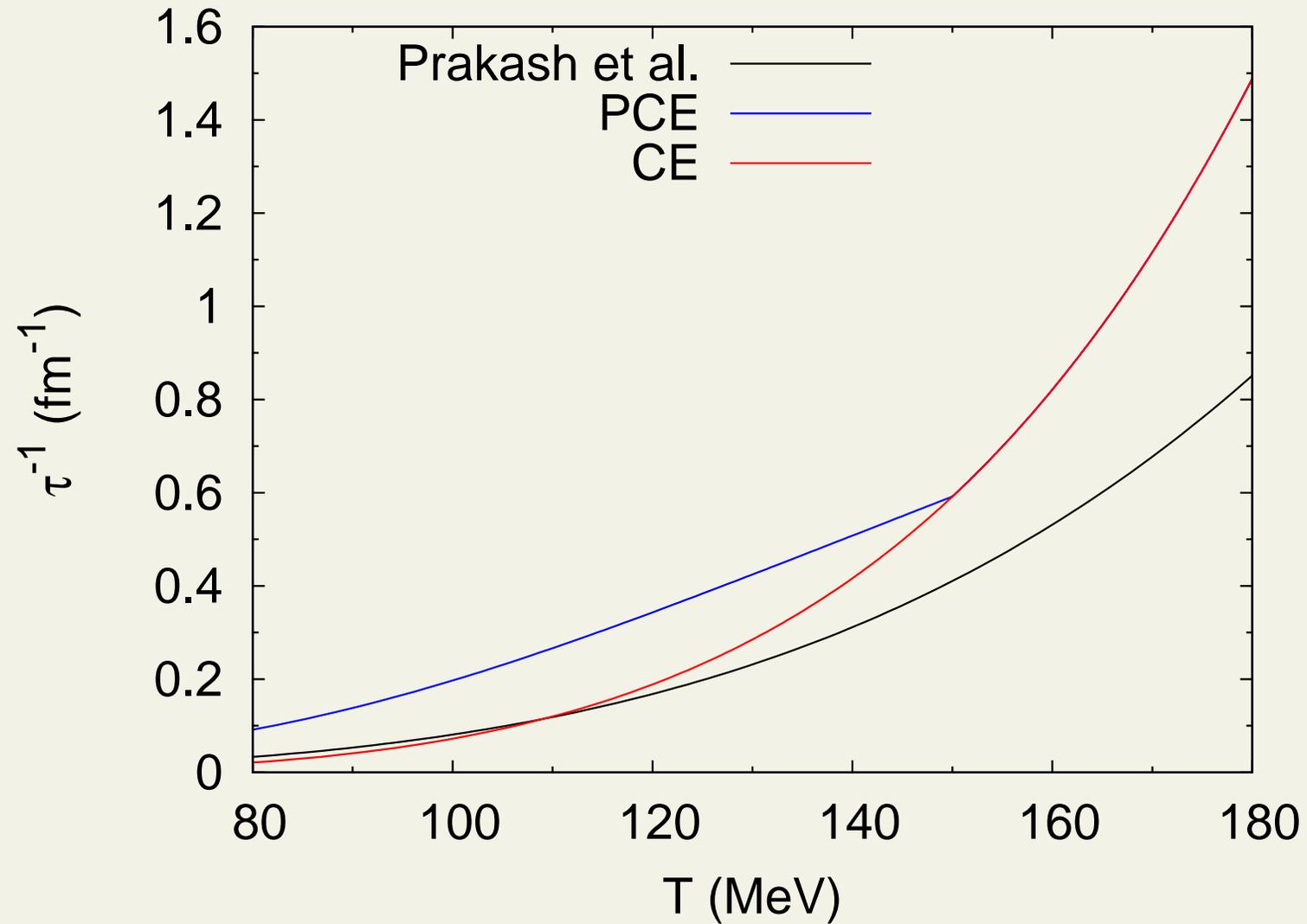
• $\sigma_{\pi i}(s)$ for **resonance formation** using Breit-Wigner

$$\sigma_{\pi i}(s) = \sum_R \sigma_{\pi i \rightarrow R}(s)$$

• estimate $\sigma_{\pi m}(s)$ for **elastic π -meson scattering**

⇒ check that the result fits the cross section data

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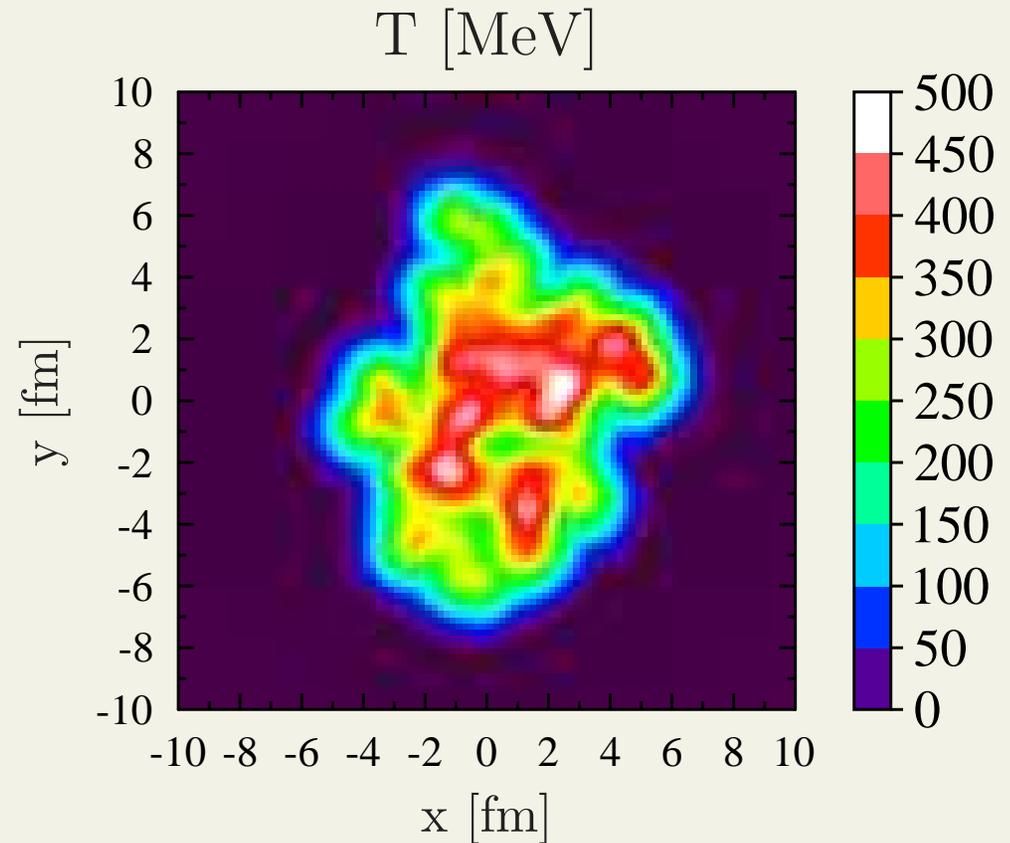
Hydro

- ideal
- boost-invariant, 2+1D
- lattice based EoS, *s95p-PCE-v1*
- $T_{\text{chem}} = 150 \text{ MeV}$
- Au+Au at $\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 200 \text{ GeV}$

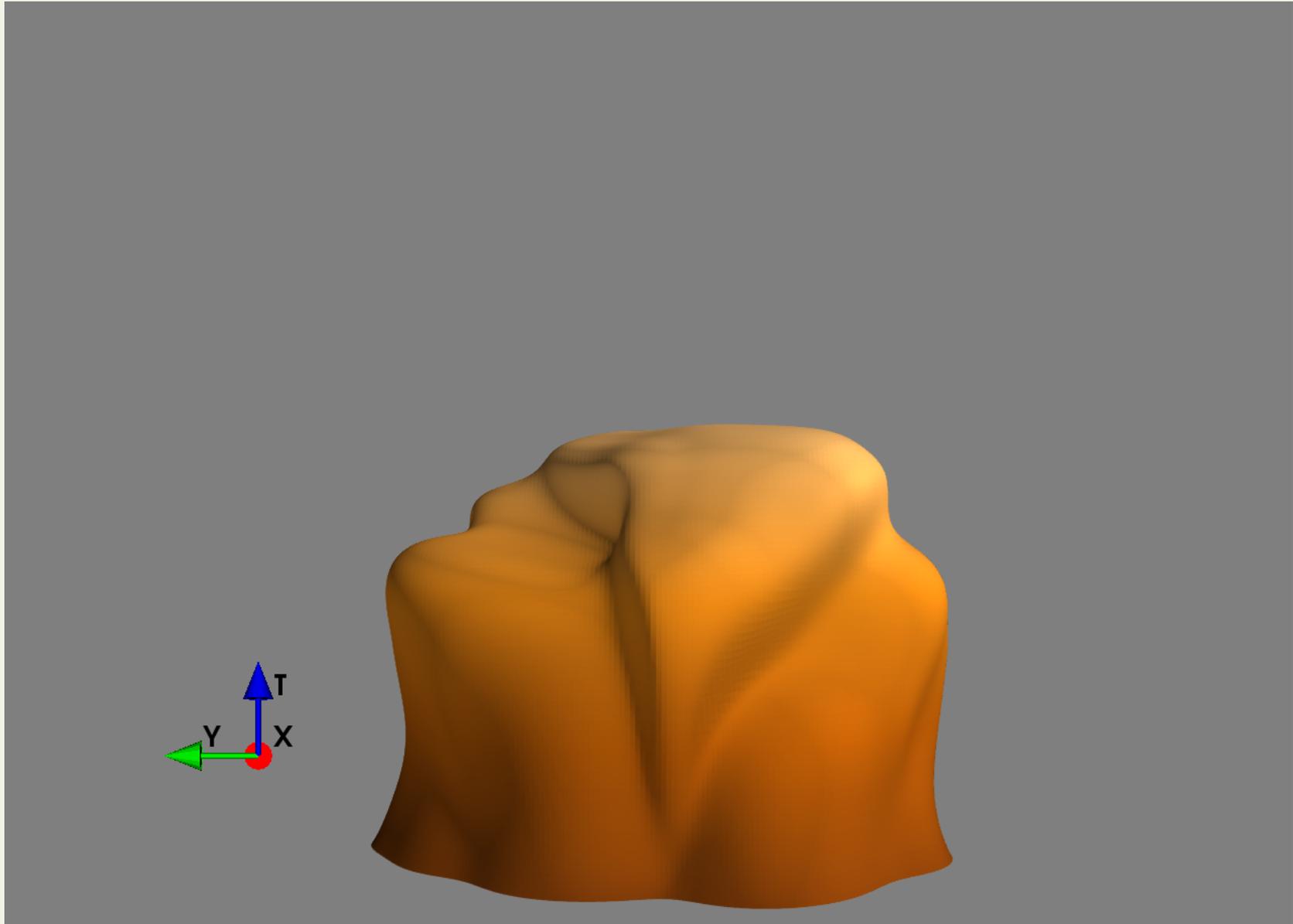
Fluctuating initial state

- Monte Carlo Glauber
- Entropy density is distributed around the positions of WN and BC
- When distributing entropy we use Gaussian smearing:

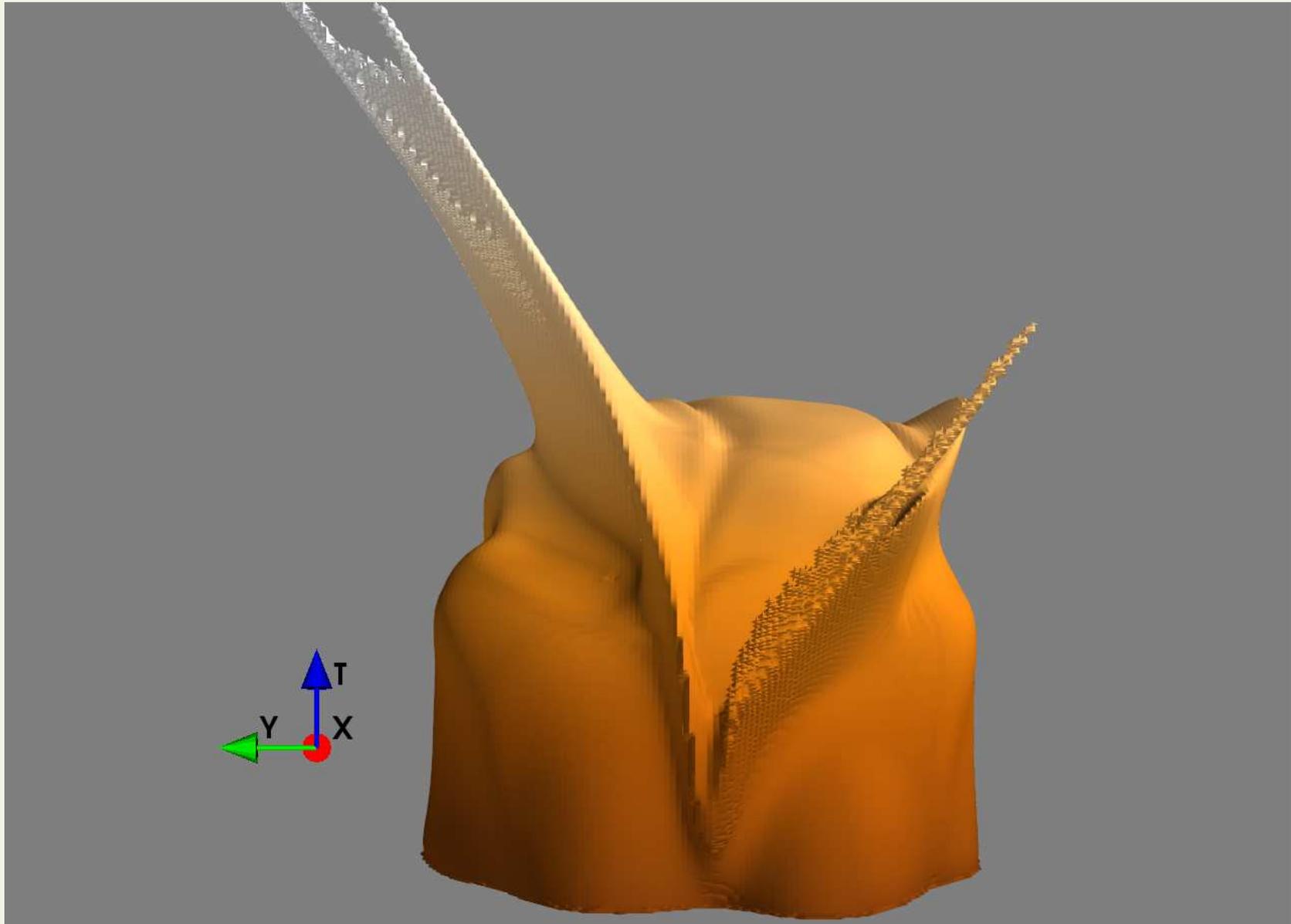
$$s(x, y) = \text{const.} \sum_{\text{wn, bc}} \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma^2} \exp \left[-\frac{(x - x_i)^2 + (y - y_i)^2}{2\sigma^2} \right]$$



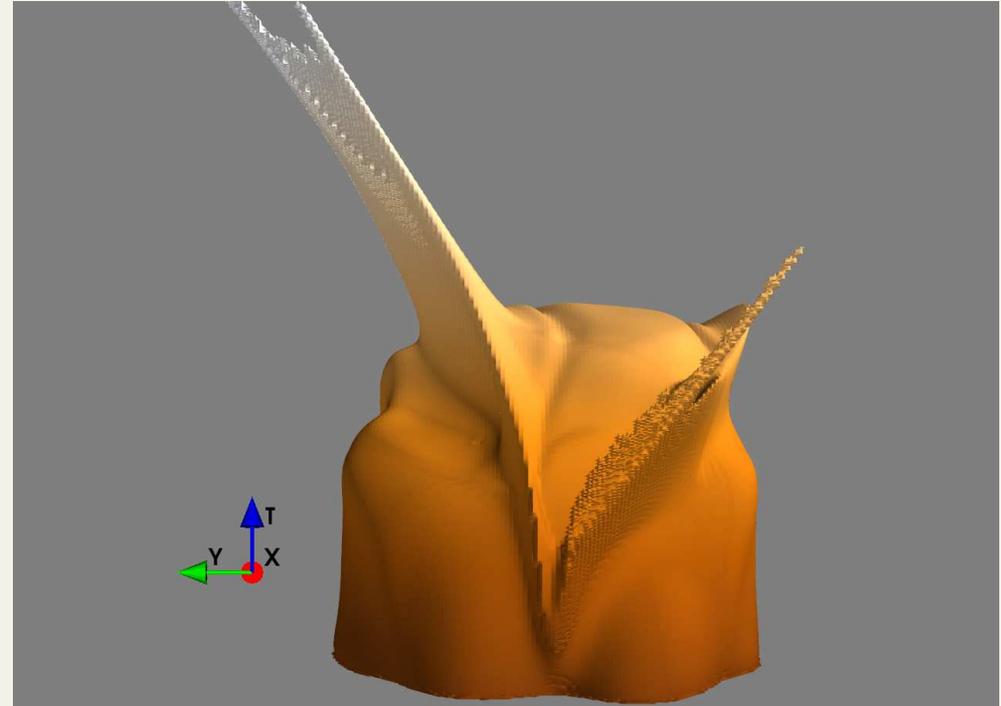
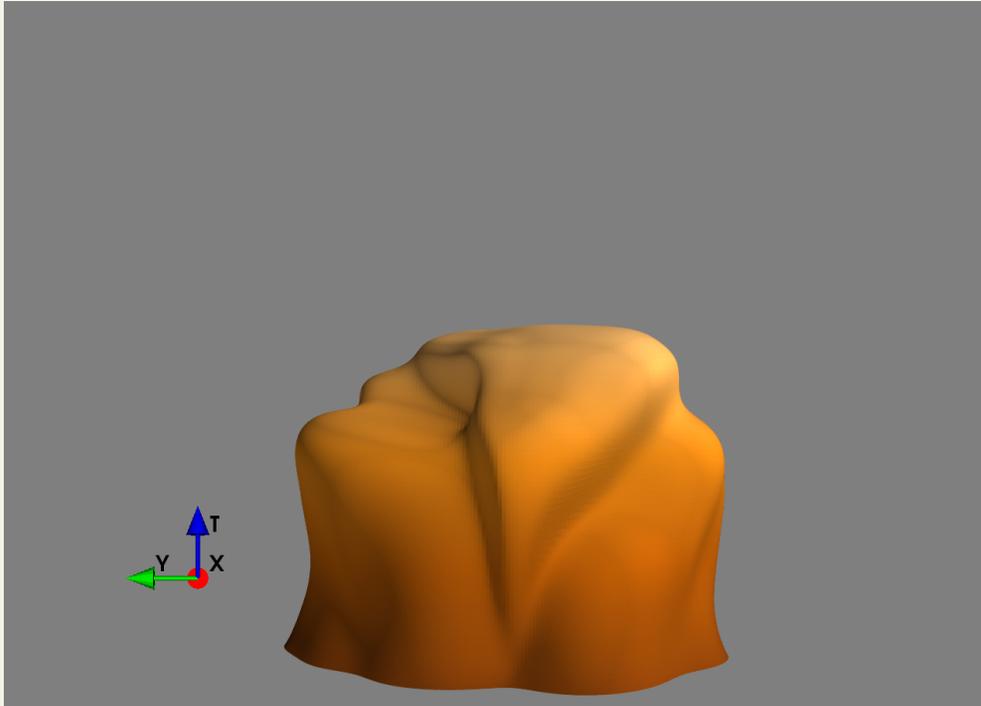
Constant temperature surface



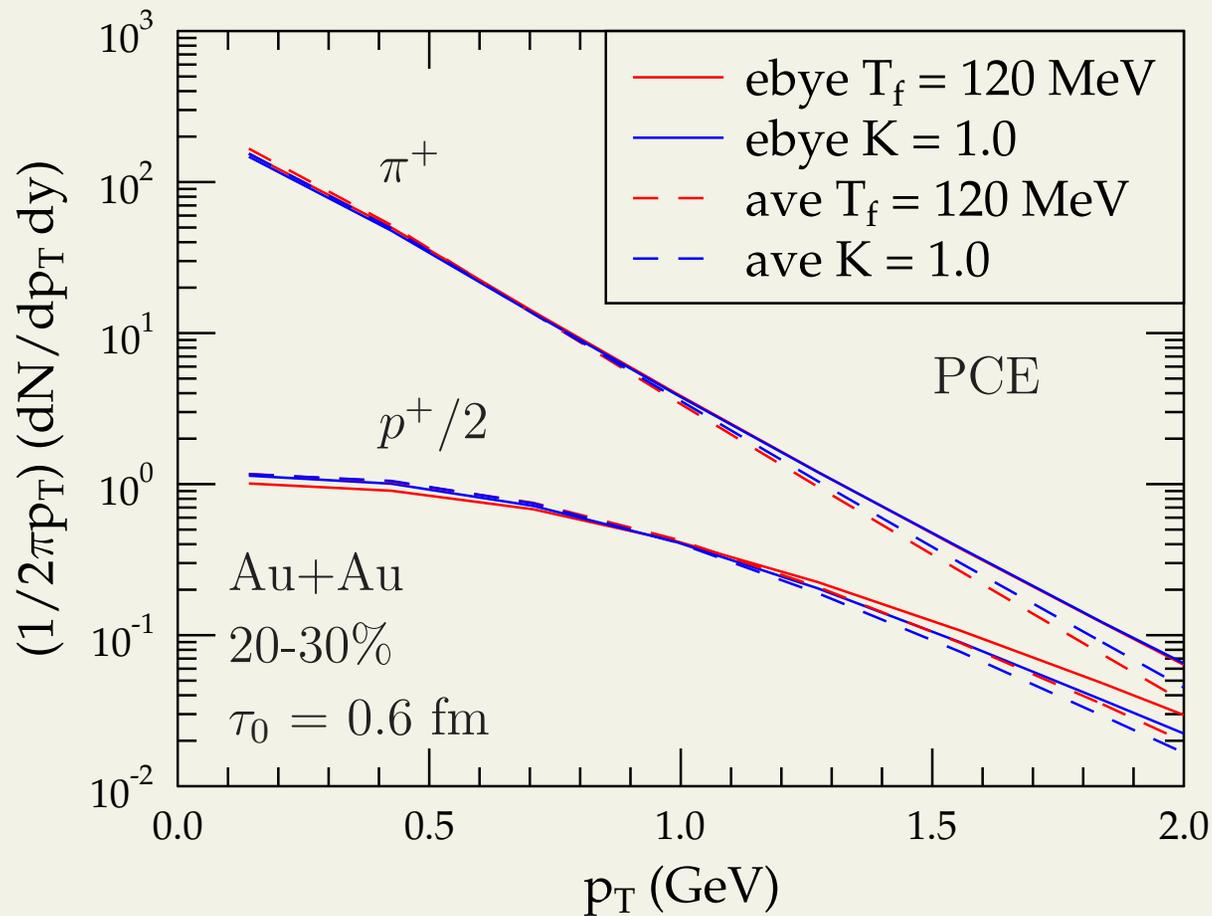
Constant K_n surface



Constant T vs. constant K_n



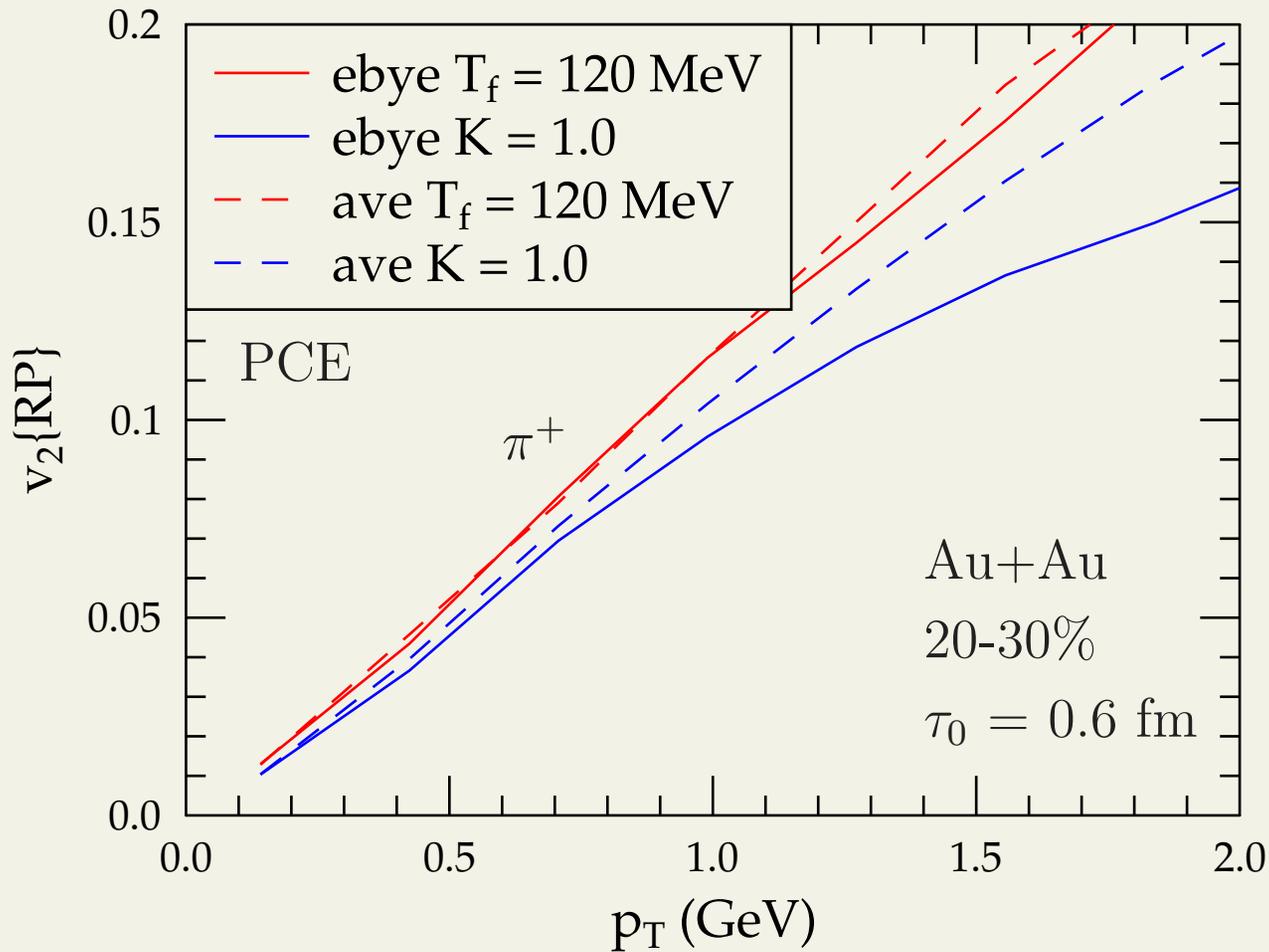
p_T spectra



Main effect:

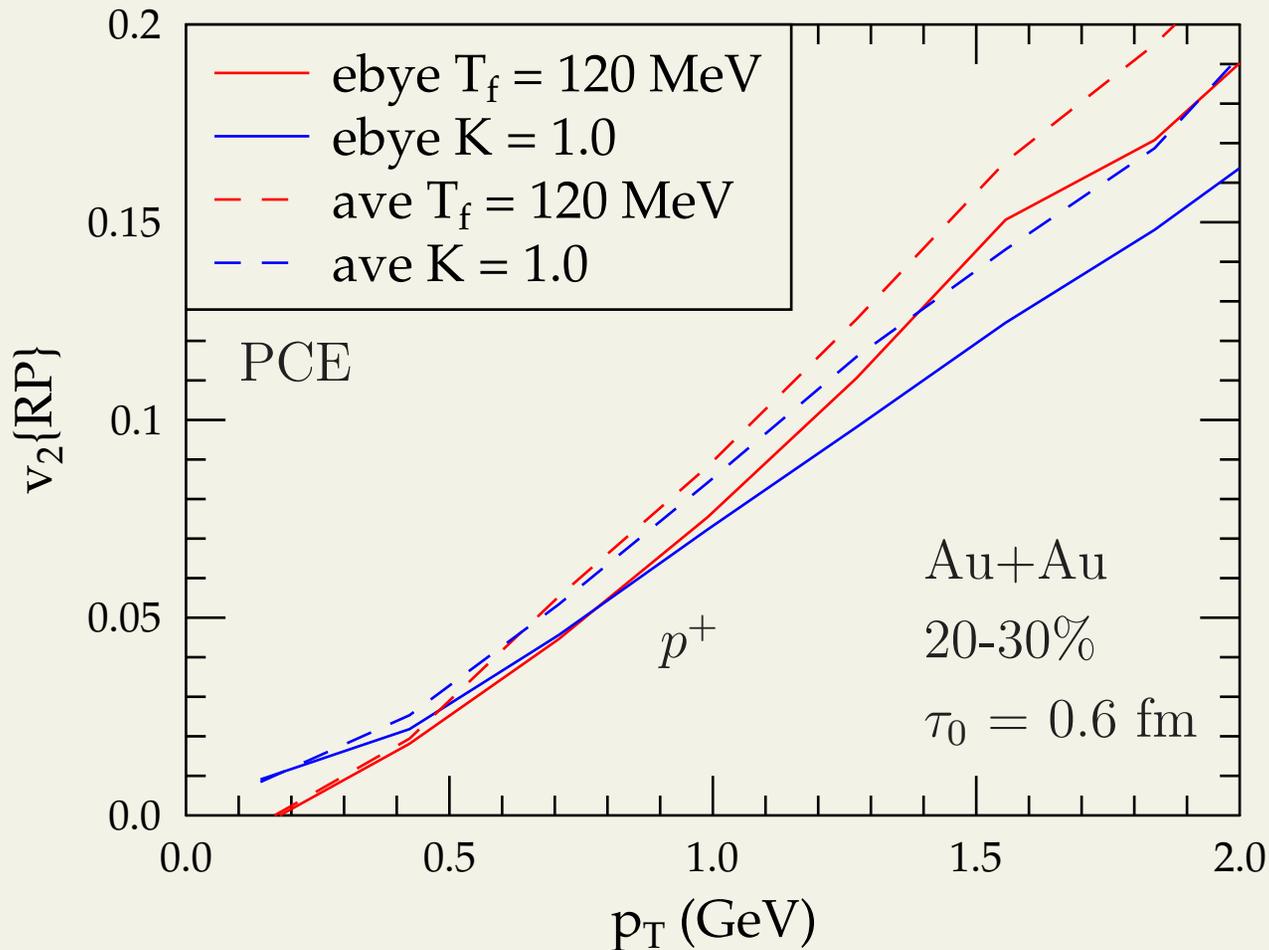
- pions: fluctuations
- protons: both

pion $v_2(p_T)$



- $\sim 10\%$ reduction
- sensitive to fluctuations

proton $v_2(p_T)$



- sensitive at small and large p_T
- fluctuations have larger effect

Conclusions

- constant T freeze-out is an **oversimplification**
 - pion $v_2(p_T)$ decreases by 10%
 - sensitivity to fluctuations increases