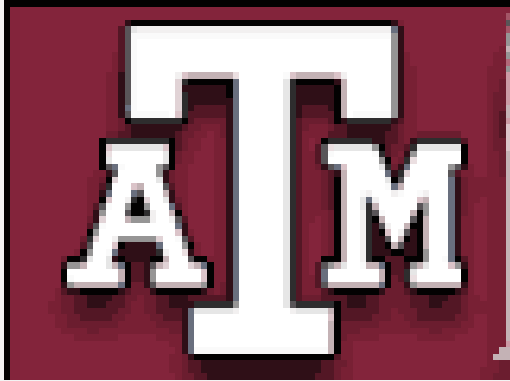


# Thermal EM Radiation in AA and pA



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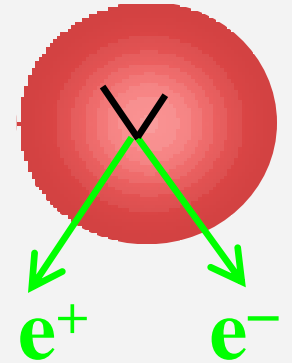
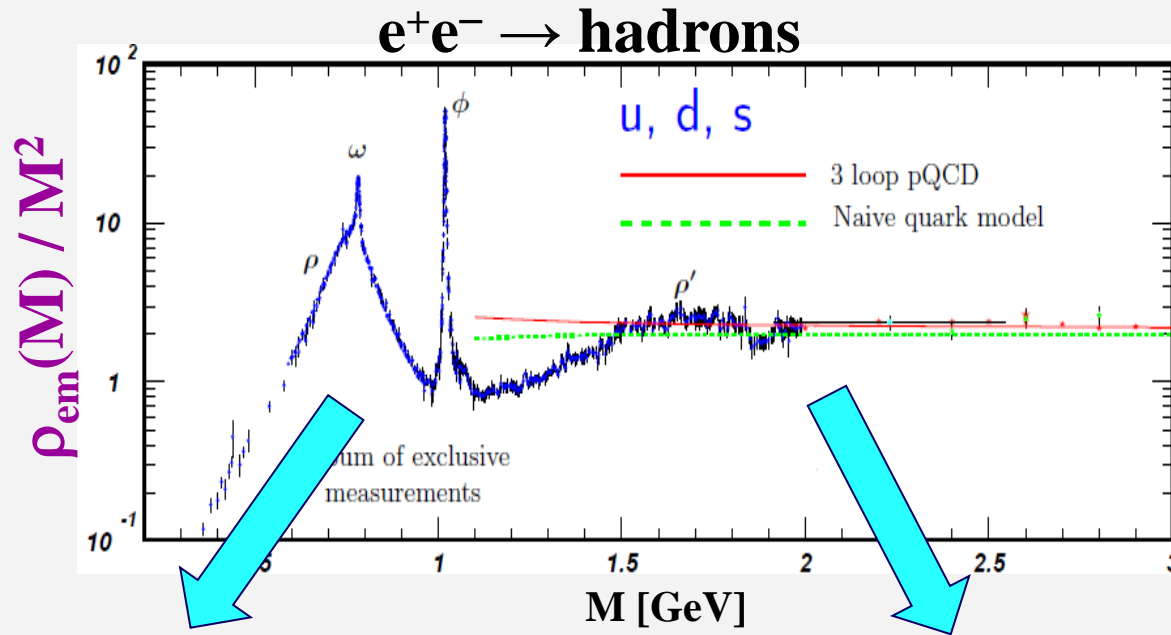
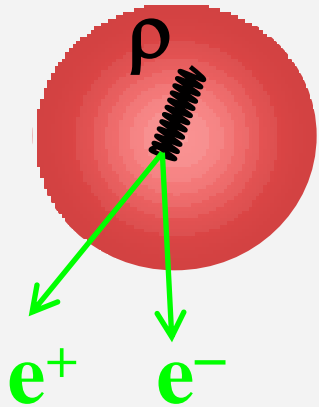


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# 1.) Intro: EM Spectral Function Probing Fireballs

## • Thermal Dilepton Rate

$$\frac{dN_{ee}}{d^4x d^4q} = \frac{\alpha_{em}^2}{\pi^3 M^2} f^B(q_0, T) \rho_{em}(M, q; \mu_B, T)$$



- **Hadrons:**  $\rho_{em} \sim \text{Im } D_{\rho, \omega, \phi}$   
- change in degrees of freedom,  
chiral restoration

- **$q\bar{q}$  Continuum:**  
 $\rho_{em} / M^2 \sim 1 + \mathcal{O}(T^2/M^2)$   
- temperature

- **Total yields  $\sim V_{FB} \cdot \tau_{FB}$ : fireball lifetime**

# Outline

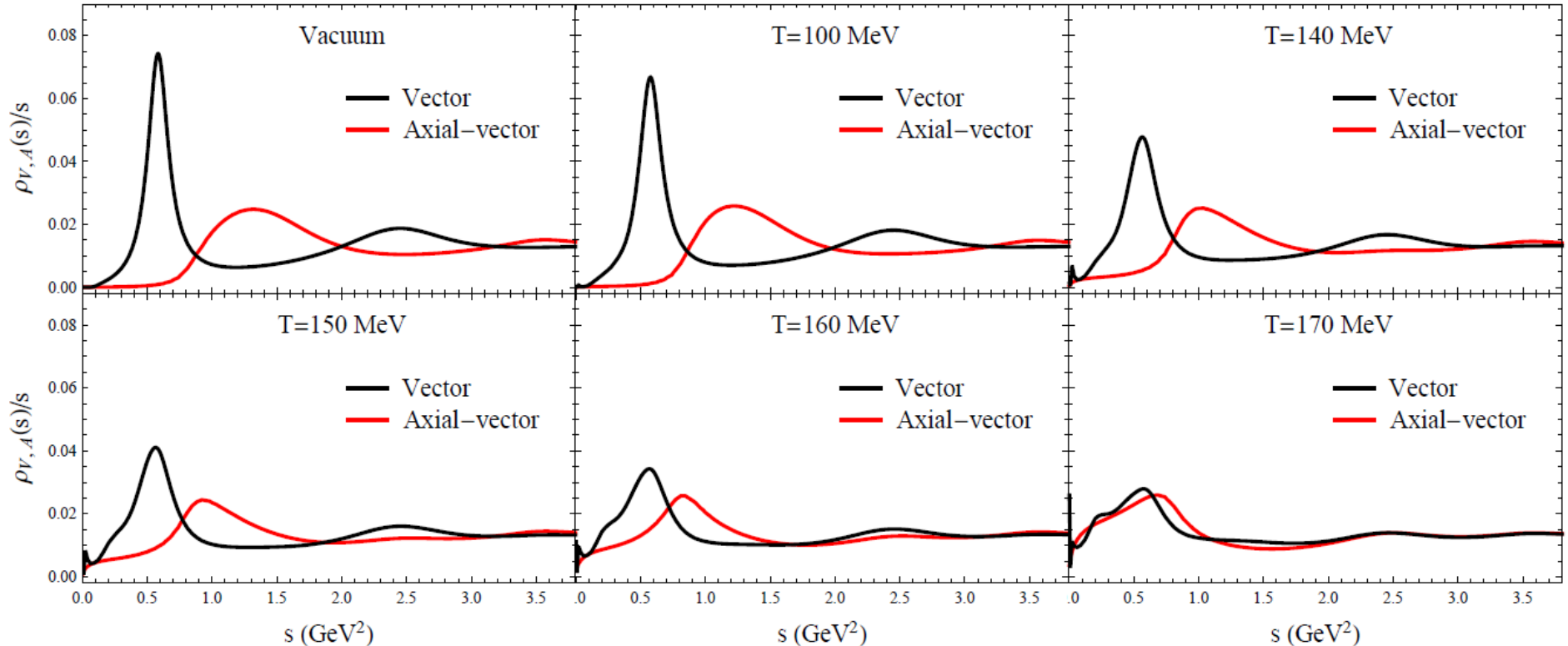
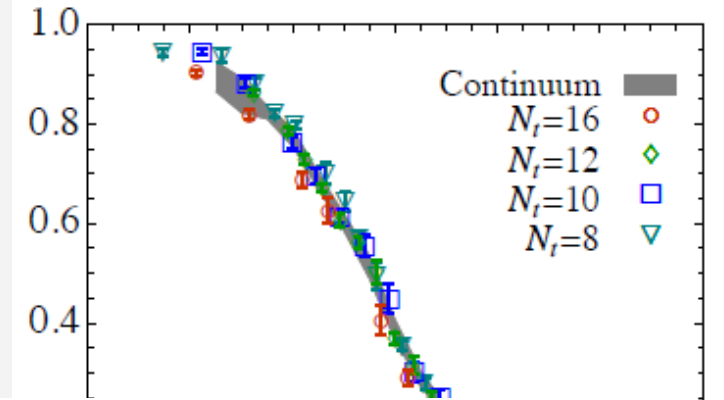
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- 3.) “Initial-Stage” Effects
  - 3.1 Dilepton Radiation in p-Pb
  - 3.2 Direct Photons
- 4.) Conclusions

# 2.1 Spectral Functions + Sum Rules in Medium

## 2.1.1 Weinberg + QCD Sum Rules

$$\int \frac{ds}{\pi} \frac{1}{s} (\rho_V - \rho_A) = f_\pi^2 \quad , \quad \int \frac{ds}{\pi} (\rho_V - \rho_A) = -m_q \langle \bar{q}q \rangle$$

- Input: - condensates from lattice QCD

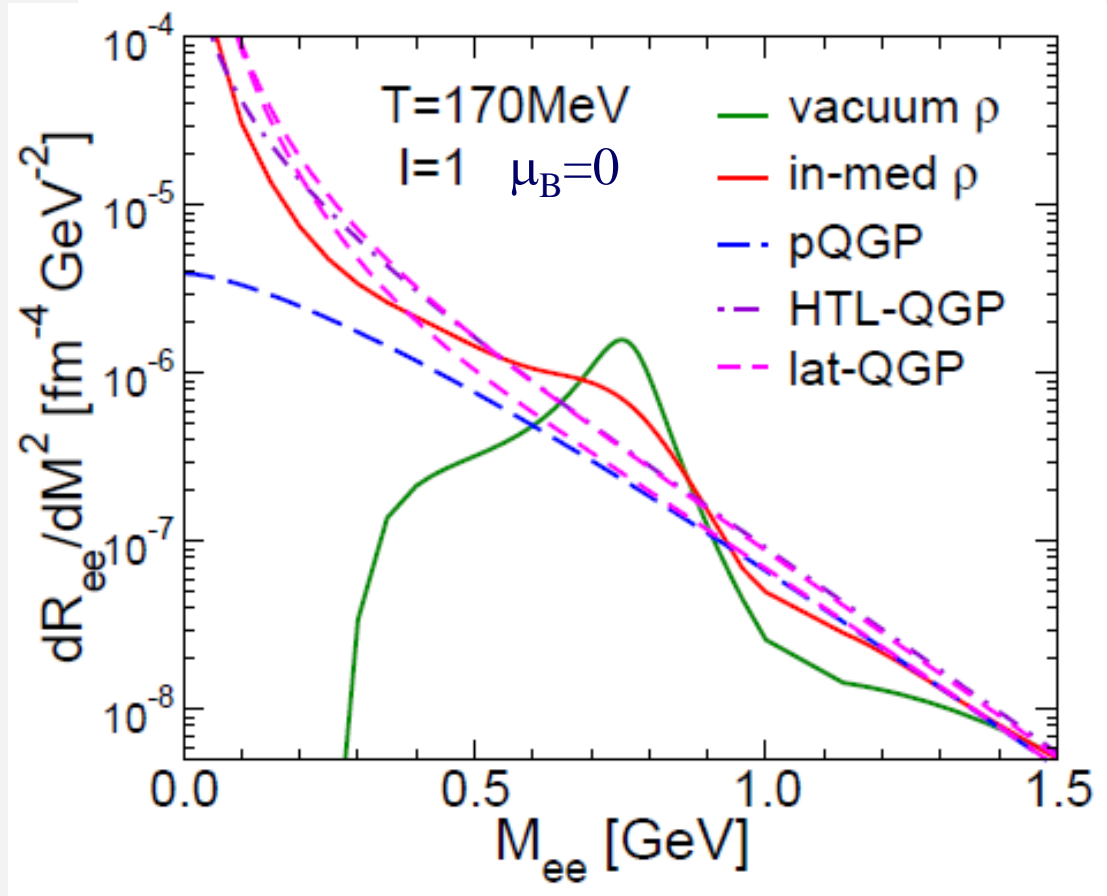


[Hohler +RR '13]

- Compatible with approach to chiral restoration

## 2.1.2 Dilepton Rates: Hadronic, QGP, Lattice

$$dR_{ee}/dM^2 \sim \int d^3q/q_0 f^B(q_0; T) \rho_{em}(M, q; \mu_B, T)$$



- **Resonance melting:** transition **hadronic**  $\rightarrow$  **QGP** toward  $T_{pc}$

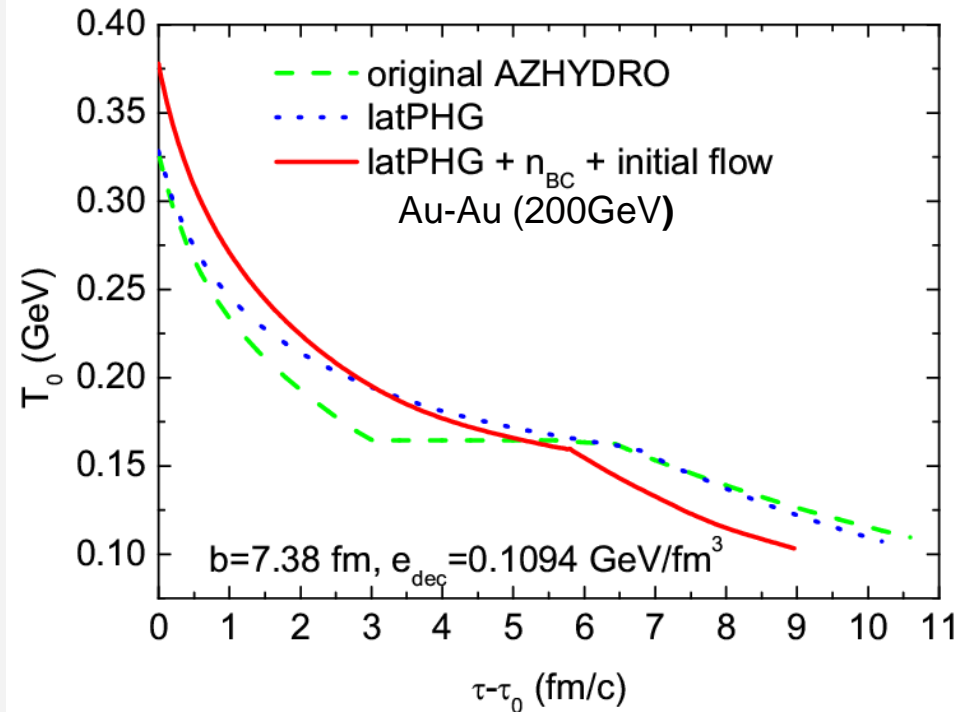
# 2.2 Medium Evolution in Heavy-Ion Collisions

- Evolve rates over fireball:

$$\frac{dN_{ll}^{therm}}{dM^2} = \int_{\tau_0}^{\tau_{fo}} d\tau V_{FB}(\tau) \int \frac{d^3q}{2q_0} \frac{dR_{ll}^{therm}}{d^4q}$$

- **Bulk Medium Evolution**

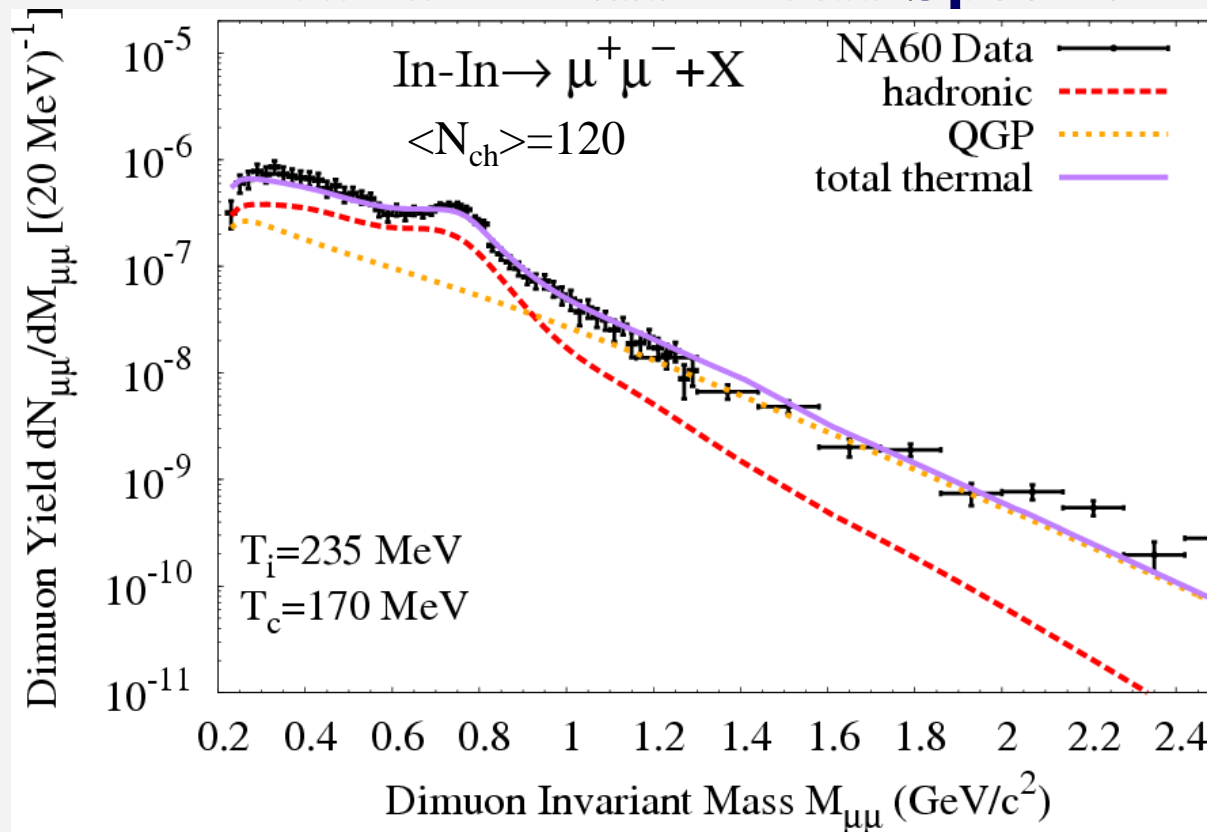
- lattice EoS + HRG,  $T_{pc}=170$  MeV
- $T_{ch} = 160$  MeV
- $T_{fo} \sim 100$  MeV
- initial profile, radial flow, ... ?!
- fit hadron spectra +  $v_2$



[He ,Fries+RR'12]

## 2.3.1 Precision Dileptons at SPS (17.3 GeV)

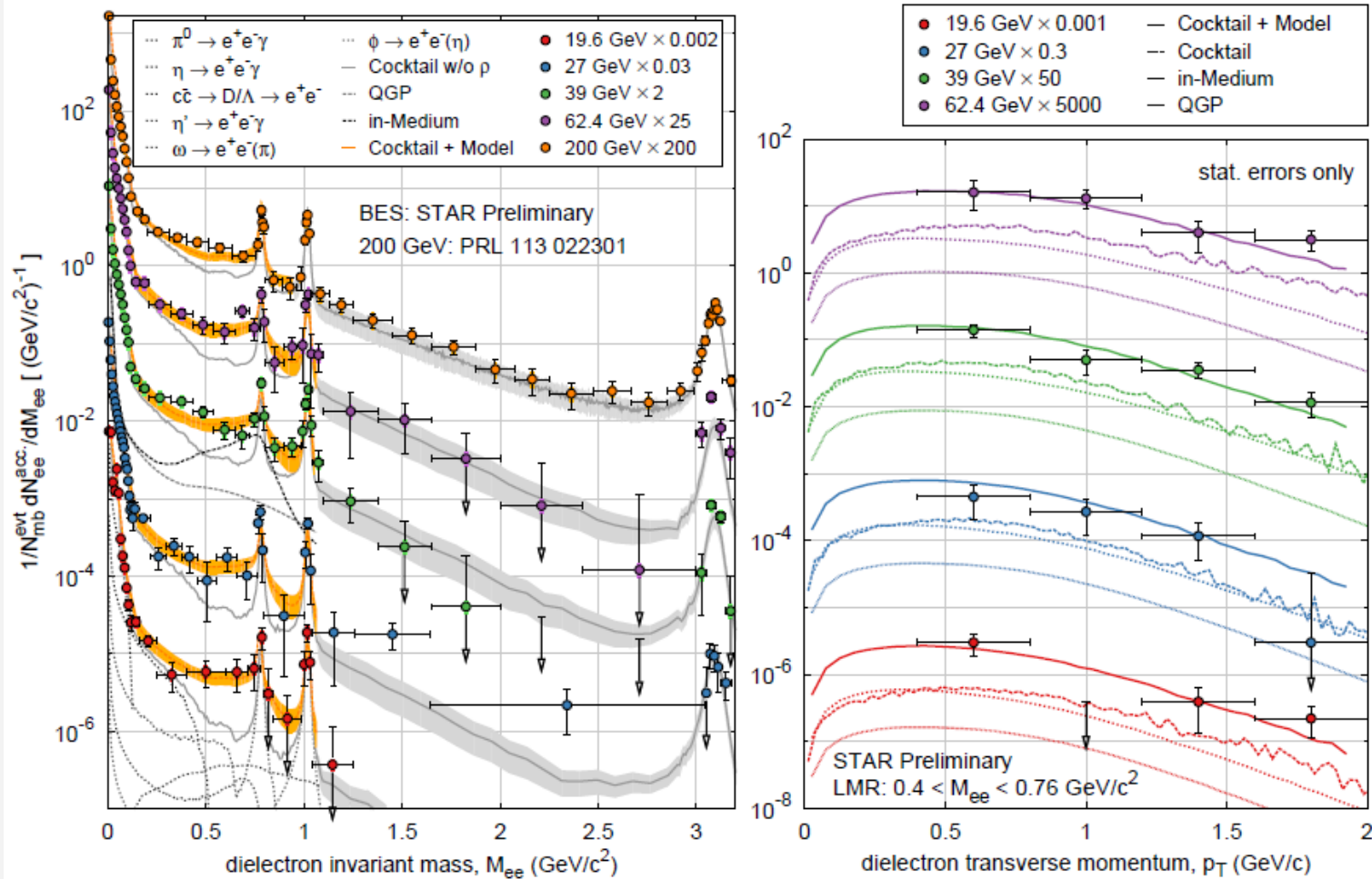
### Invariant-Mass Excess Spectrum



[van Hees+RR '13]

- **Low mass:** radiation from  $T \sim T_{\text{pc}} \sim 150 \text{ MeV}$  - **spectrometer**
- **Intermediate mass:**  $T \sim 180\text{-}200 \text{ MeV}$  - **thermometer**
- **Total yield:** fireball lifetime  $\tau_{\text{FB}} = 7 \pm 1 \text{ fm}/c$  - **chronometer**

## 2.3.2 Low-Mass Excitation Function: 20-200 GeV



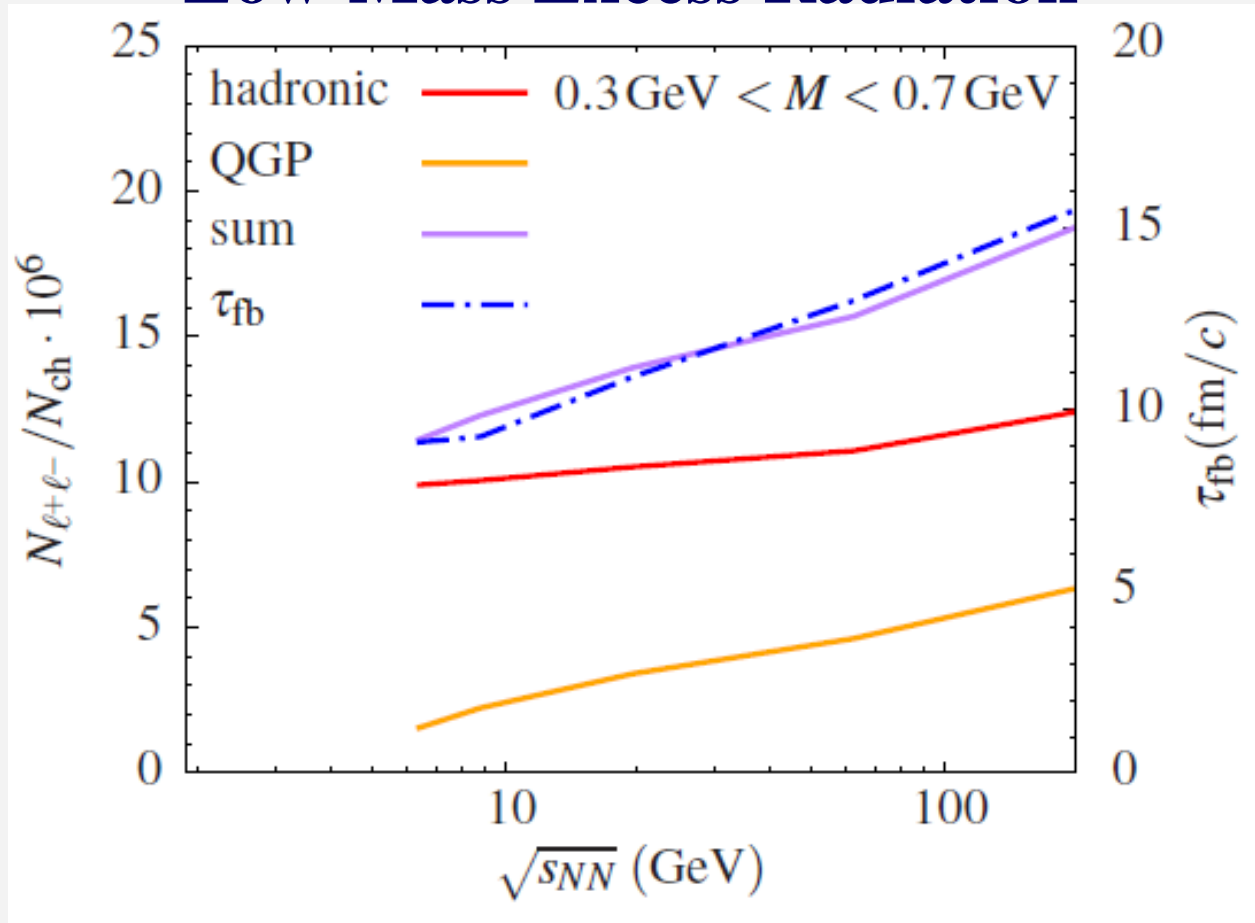
[STAR '14]

- compatible with predictions from melting  $\rho$  meson
- “universal” source around  $T_{\text{pc}}$



## 2.3.3 Dilepton Excitation Function

### Low-Mass Excess Radiation



- tracks **fireball lifetime!** (interacting/radiating medium)

# **Outline**

## **1.) Introduction**

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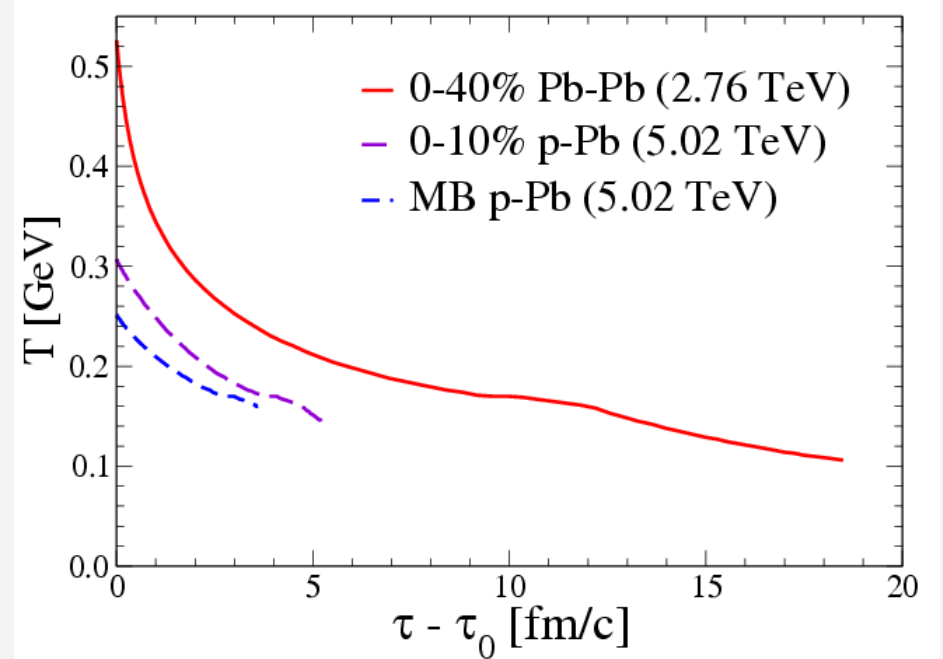
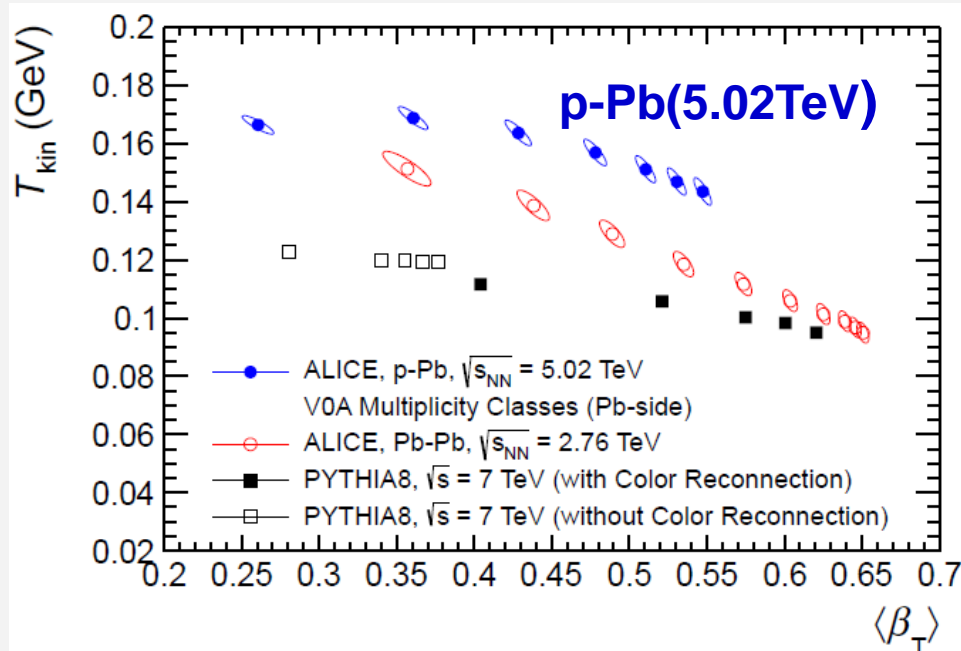
### **3.1 Dilepton Radiation in p-Pb**

### **3.2 Direct Photons**

## **4.) Conclusions**

# 3.1 Dilepton Radiation in p-Pb at LHC

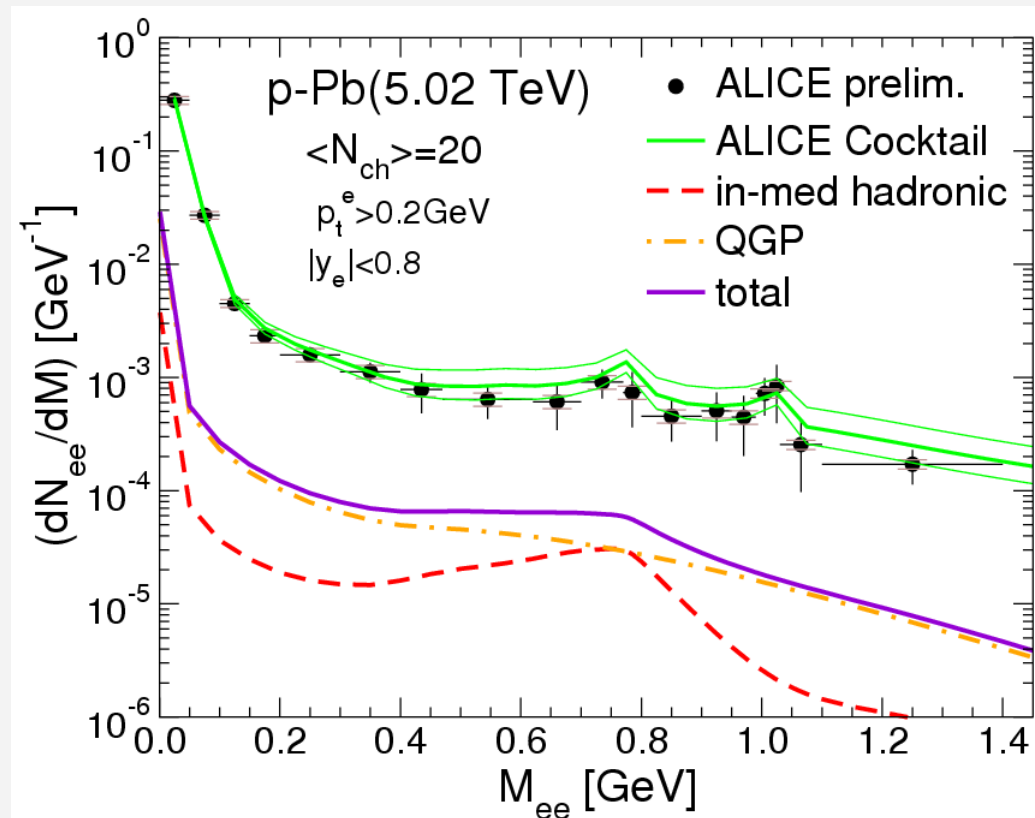
## 3.1.1 Bulk Medium Evolution



- assume fireball with  
 $(\langle\beta_{\perp}\rangle, T_{\text{kin}}) \approx (0.4, 160 \text{ MeV})$   
 $(dN_{\text{ch}}/dy)_{\text{MB}} \approx 20$   
 $\tau_0 \sim 0.65 \text{ fm/c} \Rightarrow T_0 \approx 250 \text{ MeV}$

- interacting medium in **p-Pb**  
for  $\tau_{\text{FB}} \approx 3.5 \text{ fm/c}$  (MB)  
 $\approx 5 \text{ fm/c}$  (central)

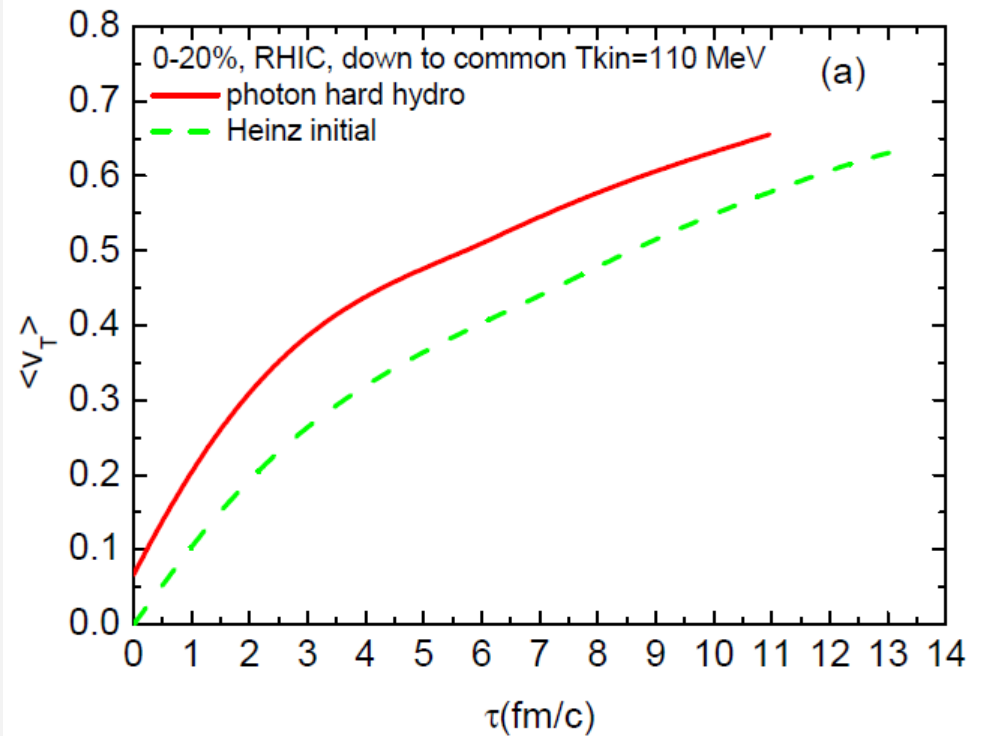
## 3.1.2 Low-Mass Dileptons in p-Pb (5.02 GeV)



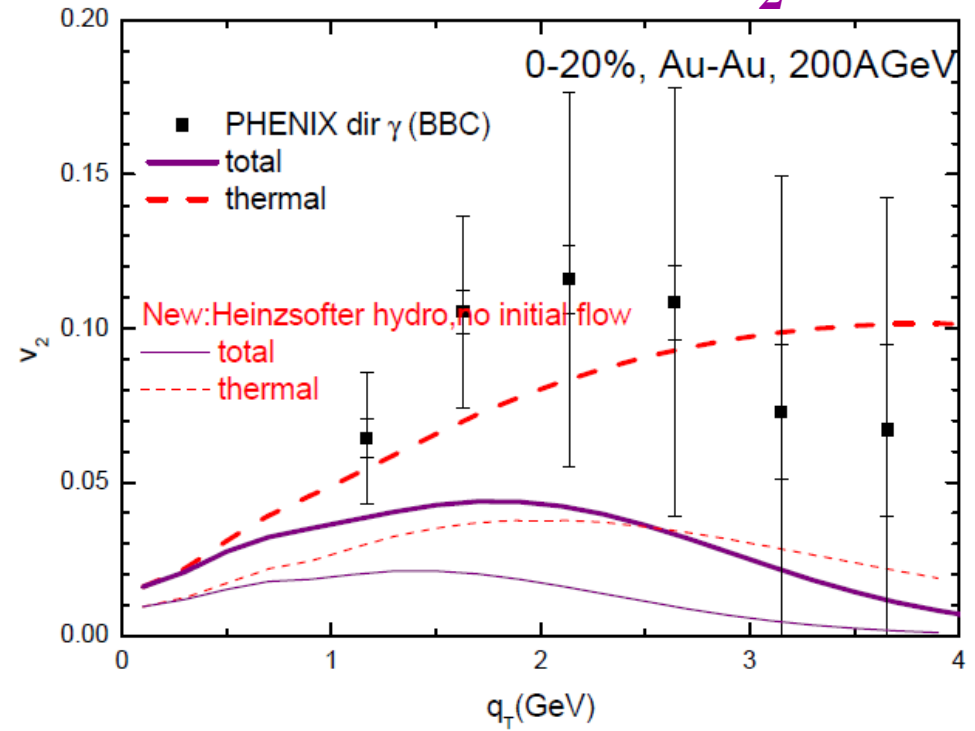
- Thermal radiation at  $\sim 10\%$  of cocktail
- fits excess vs. lifetime relation
- large QGP component probe of initial stages?!

# 3.2 Initial Flow and Thermal Photon- $v_2$

## Bulk Flow Evolution



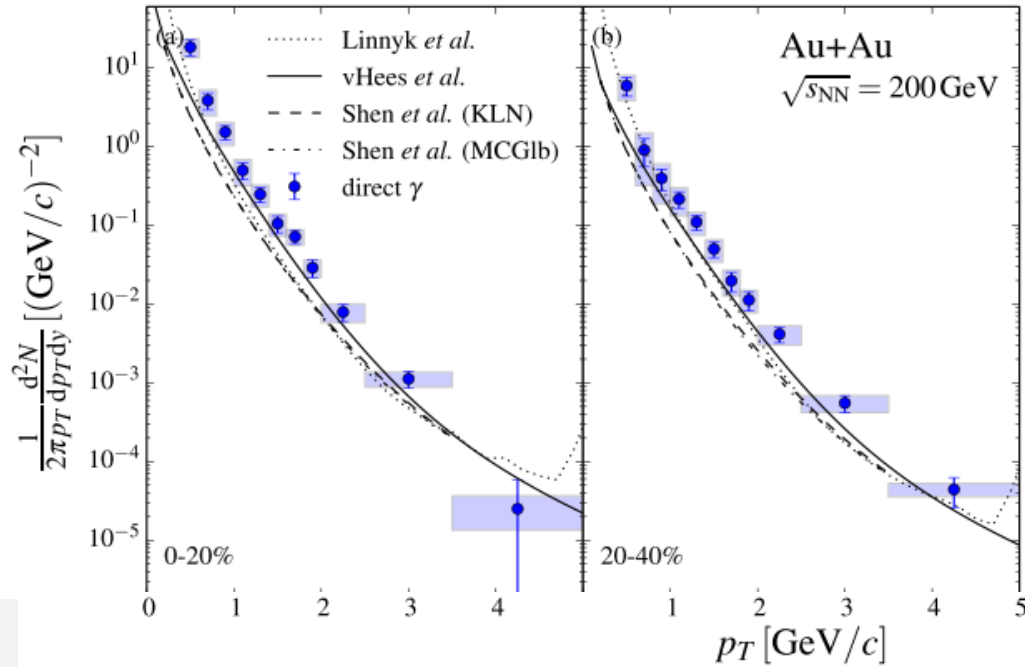
## Direct-Photon $v_2$



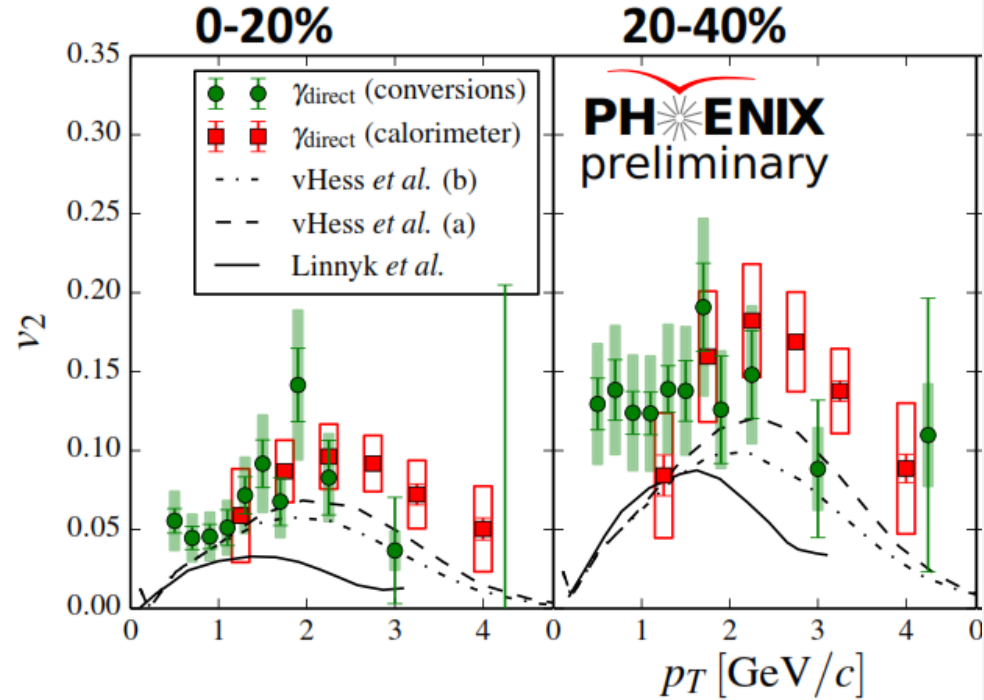
- initial radial flow: - accelerates build-up of bulk  $v_2$   
- produces harder radiation spectra
- largely enhances QGP photon  $v_2$  toward higher  $q_t$

## 3.2.2 Photon “Puzzle”

### Spectra



### Elliptic Flow



- $T_{\text{eff}}^{\text{excess}} = (220 \pm 25) \text{ MeV}$
- flow blue-shift:  $T_{\text{eff}} \sim T \sqrt{(1+\beta)/(1-\beta)} \Rightarrow T \sim 220/1.35 \sim 160 \text{ MeV}$
- “small” slope + large  $v_2$  suggest main emission around  $T_{\text{pc}}$  [van Hees et al '11]
- other effects ...?

## 4.) Conclusions

- **Versatility of Thermal Dileptons**

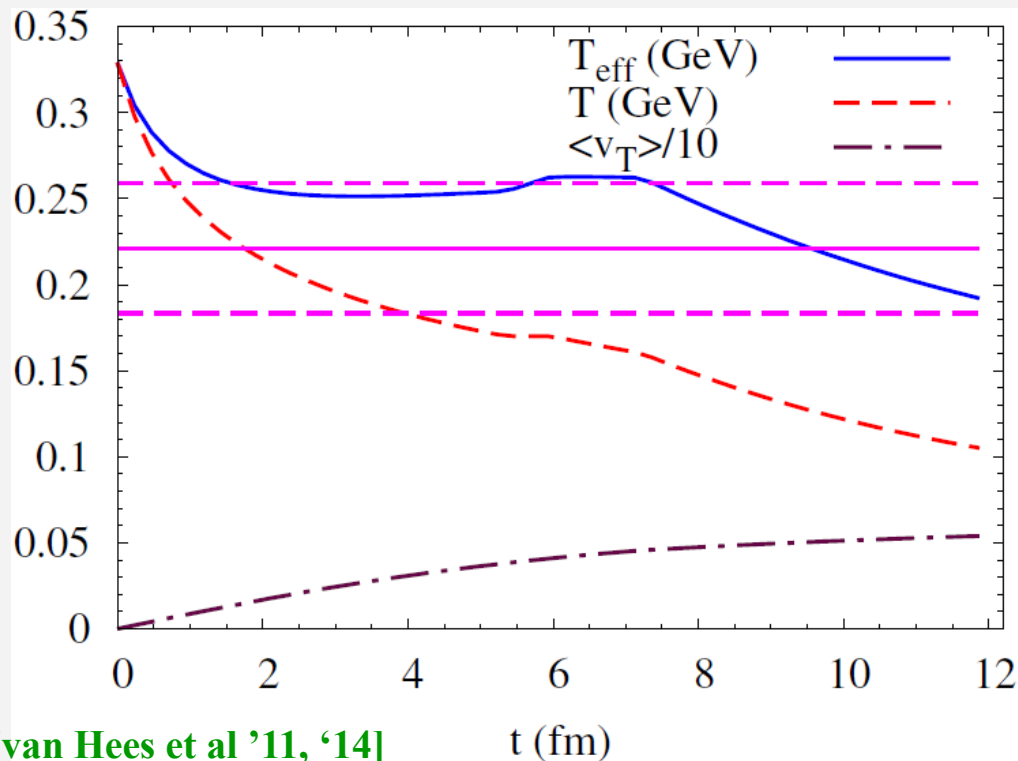
- spectral shape: chiral restoration, degrees of freedom
- inv.-mass slope: (early) temperature (no blue shift)
- total yields: fireball lifetime

- **Phenomenology**

- compatible with chiral restoration (sum rules)
- probe presence of interacting medium (quarks) in **pA**
- initial flow impacts photon-/dilepton- $v_2$

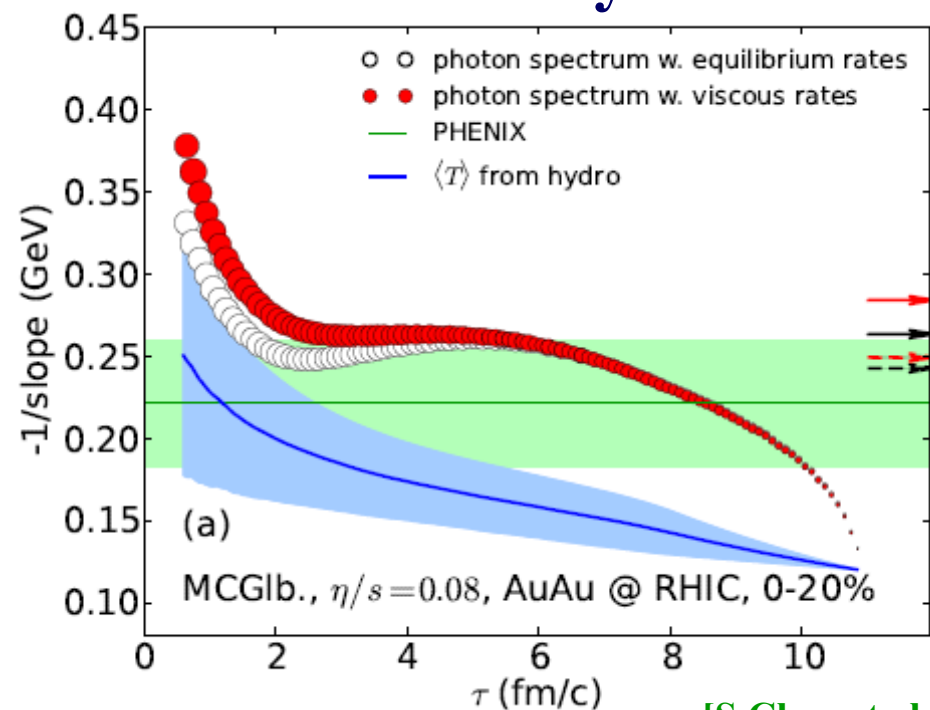
# 3.2.3 Effective Slopes of Thermal Photons

## Thermal Fireball



[van Hees et al '11, '14]

## Viscous Hydro



[S.Chen et al '13]

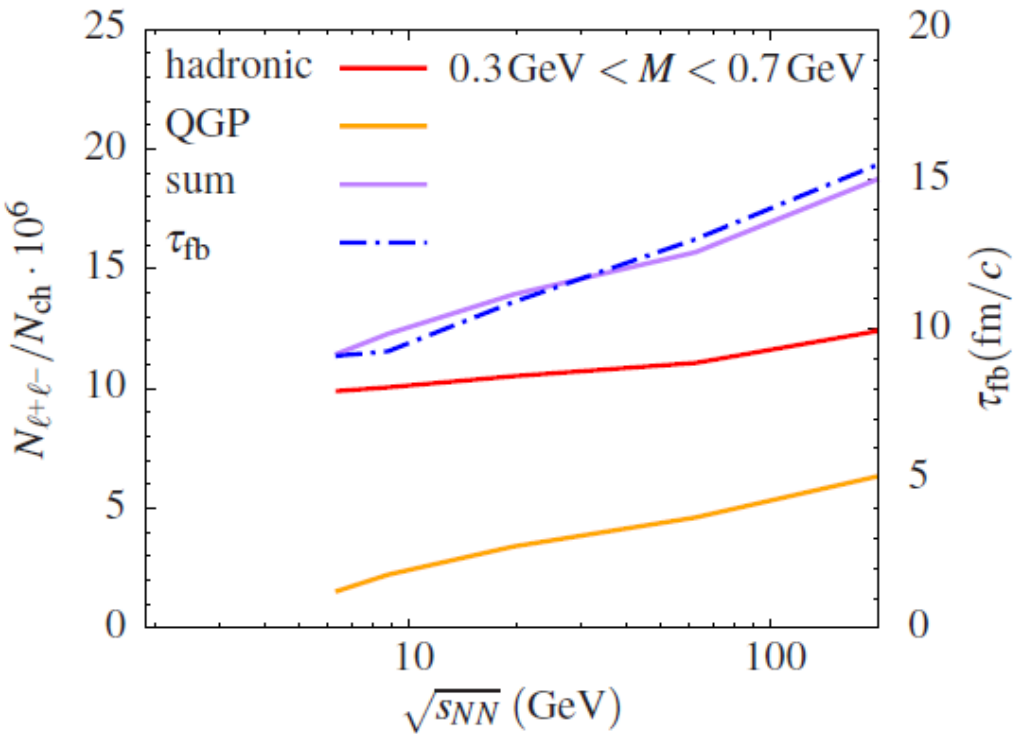
- thermal slope mostly arises from  $T \leq T_c$
- confirmed by hydro
- other mechanisms: glasma BE? Magnetic fields +  $U_A(1)$ ?

[Liao et al '12, Skokov et al '12,...]

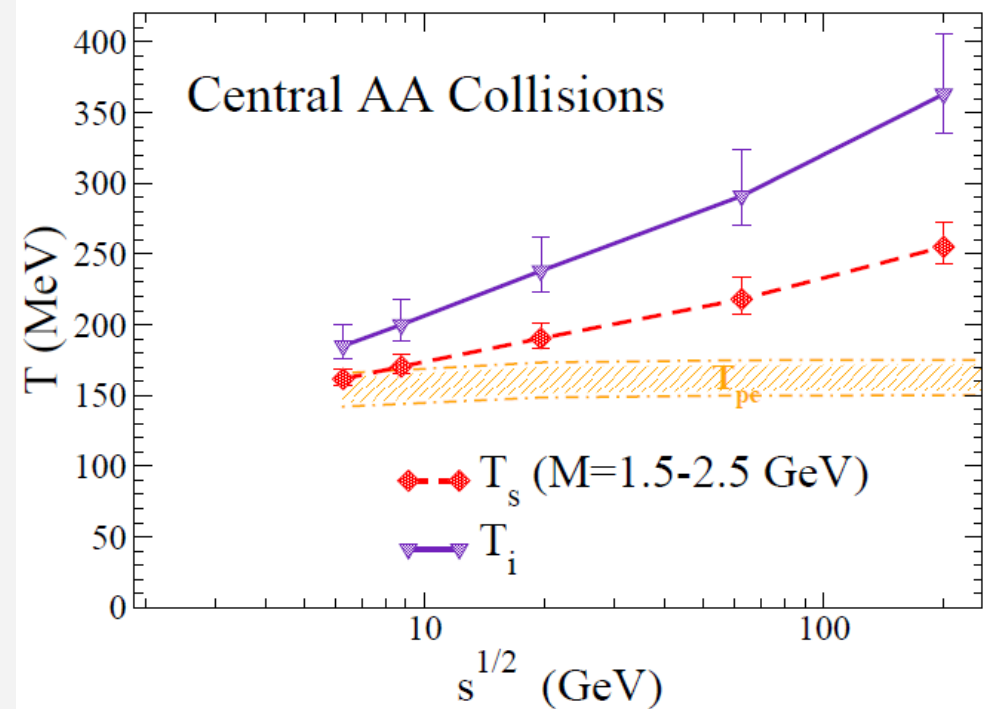


# 2.3.4 Dilepton Excitation Functions

## Low-Mass Excess



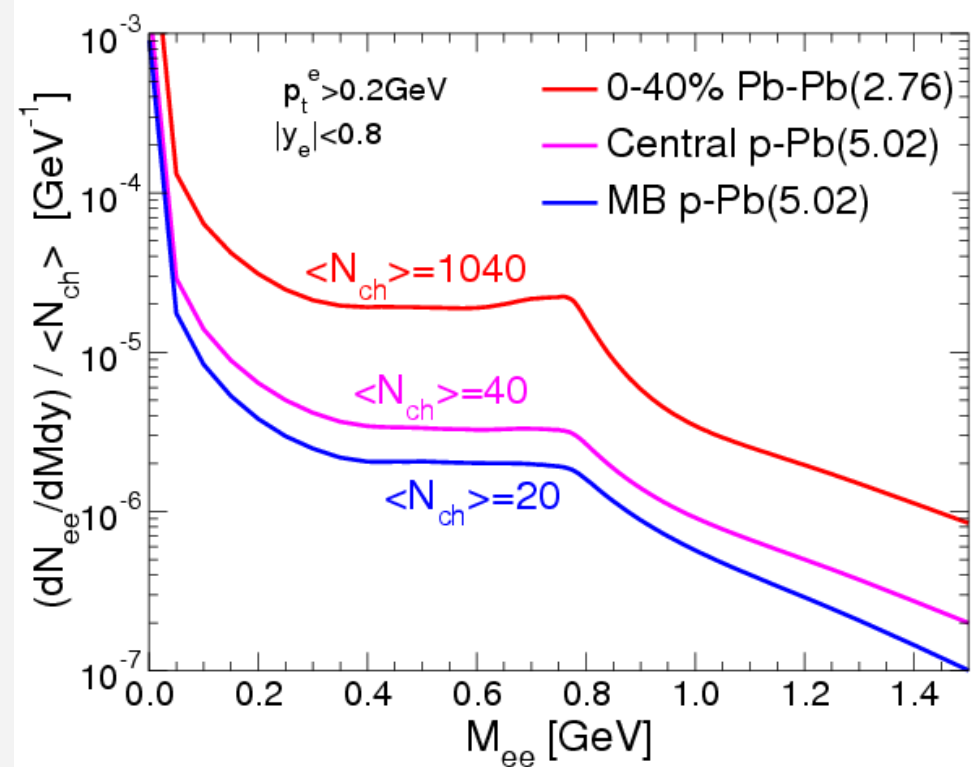
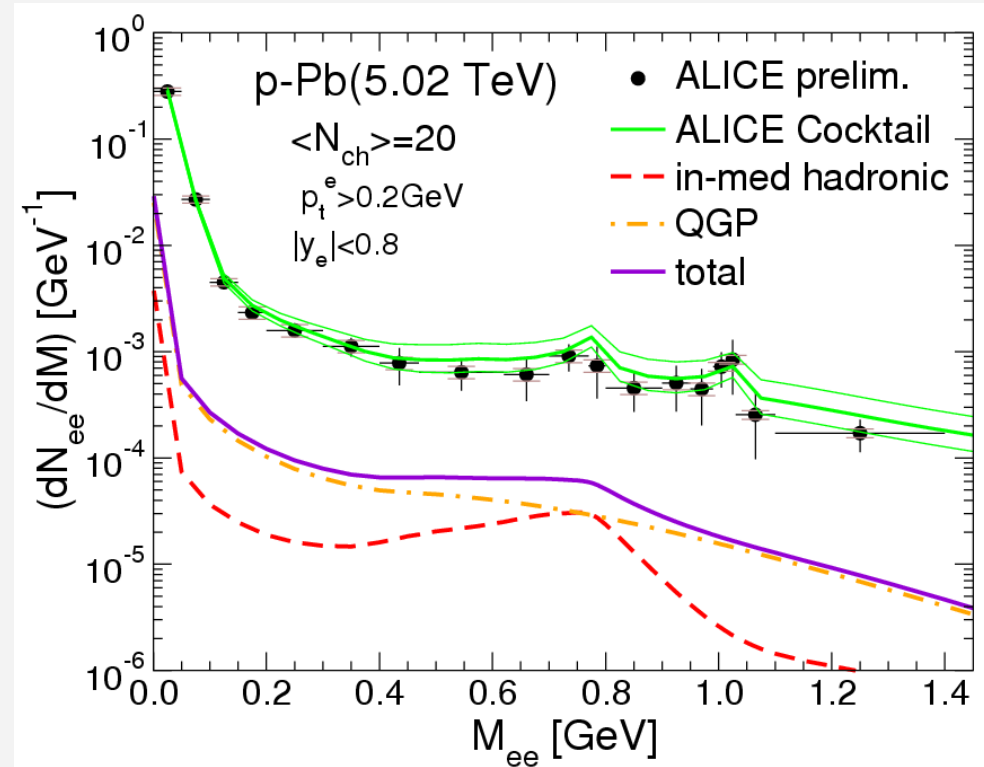
## Intermediate-Mass Slope



- tracks **fireball lifetime!**  
(interacting/radiating medium)

- unique **temperature** measurement

# 3.1.3 Dilepton Spectra in p-Pb (5.02 GeV)

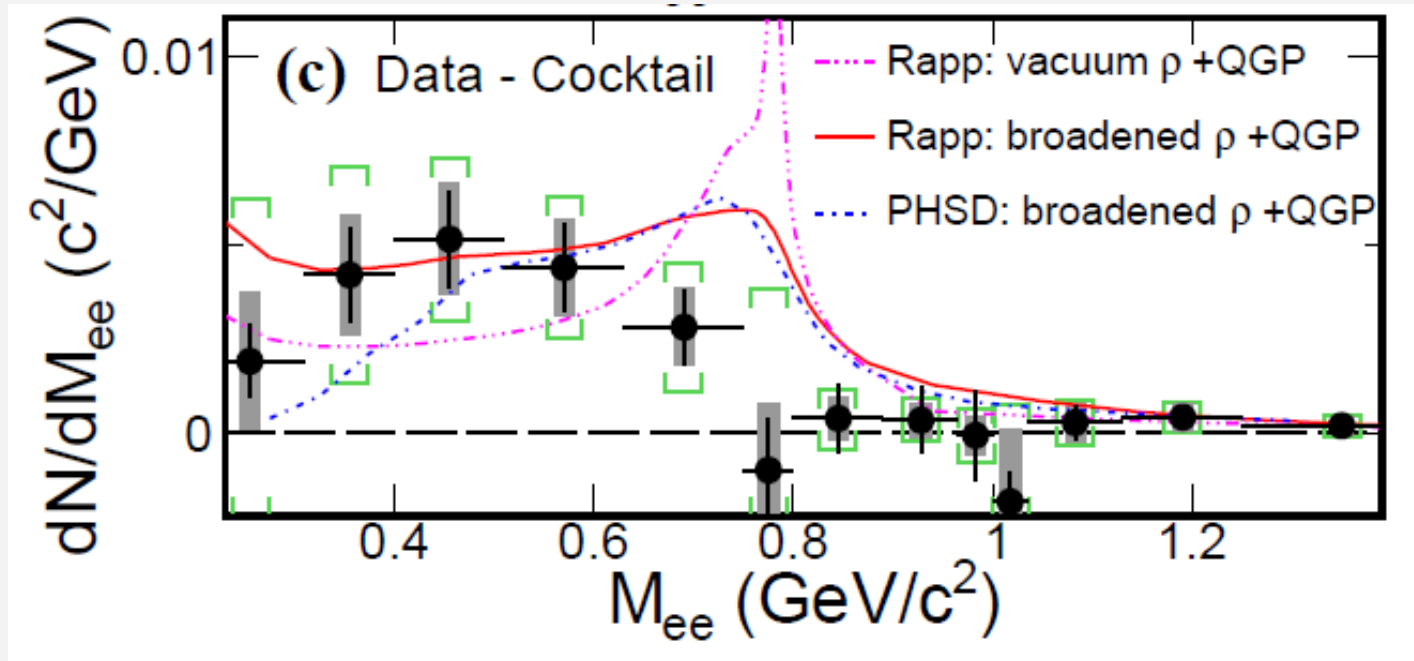


- Thermal radiation at **<10%** of cocktail
- factor **~10** increase in **Pb-Pb**
- fits systematics of excess vs. lifetime relation

# 4.1 Prospects I: Spectral Shape at $\mu_B \sim 0$

## STAR Excess Dileptons

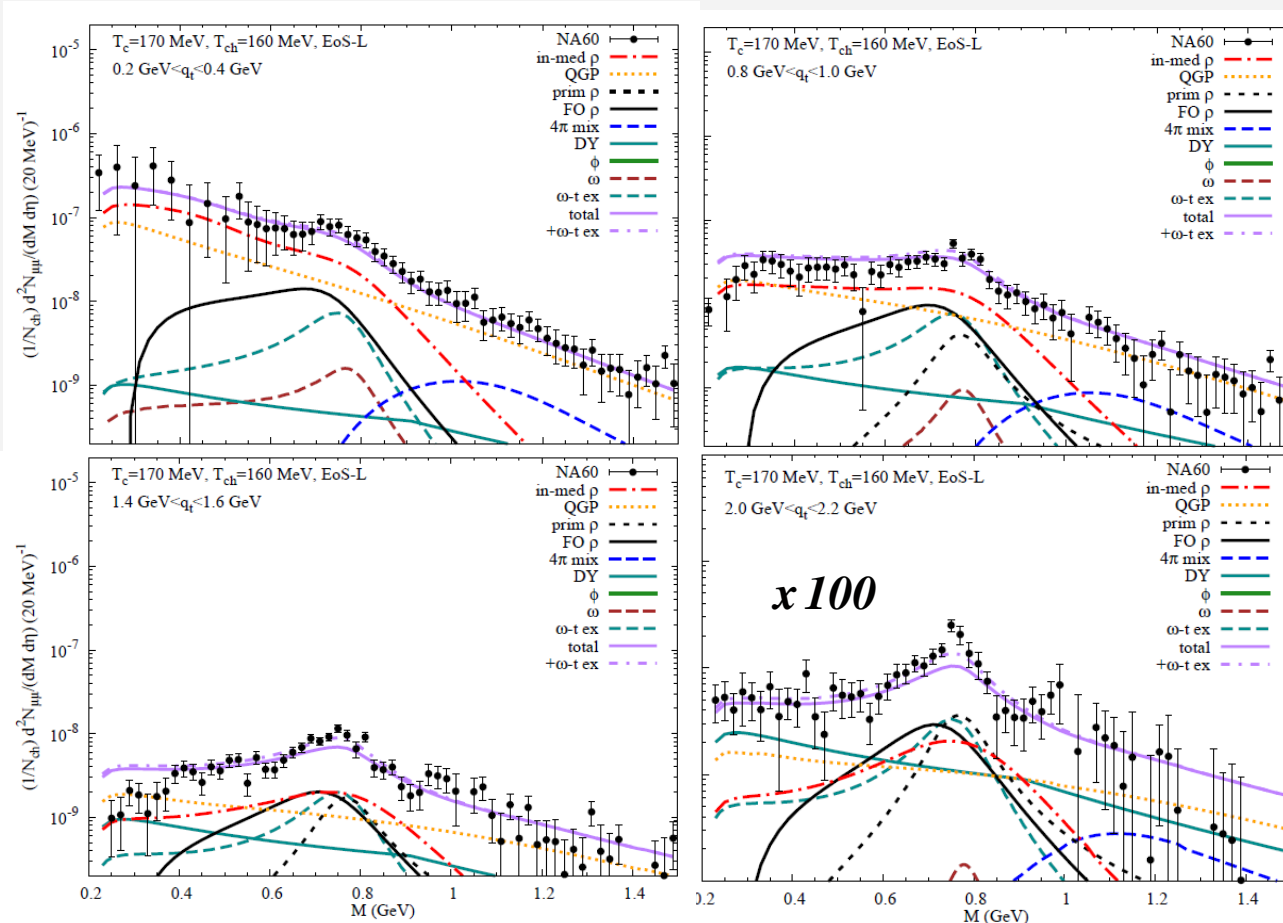
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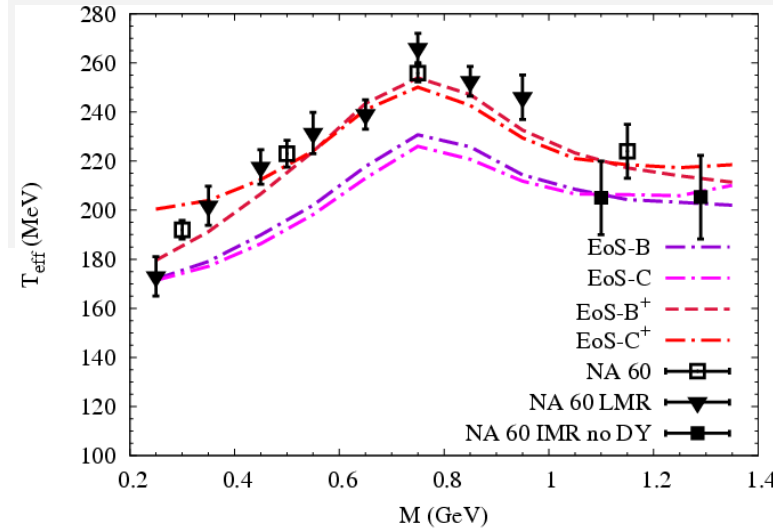
- rather different spectral shapes compatible with data
- QGP contribution?

# 2.2 Transverse-Momentum Dependence

## $p_T$ -Sliced Mass Spectra



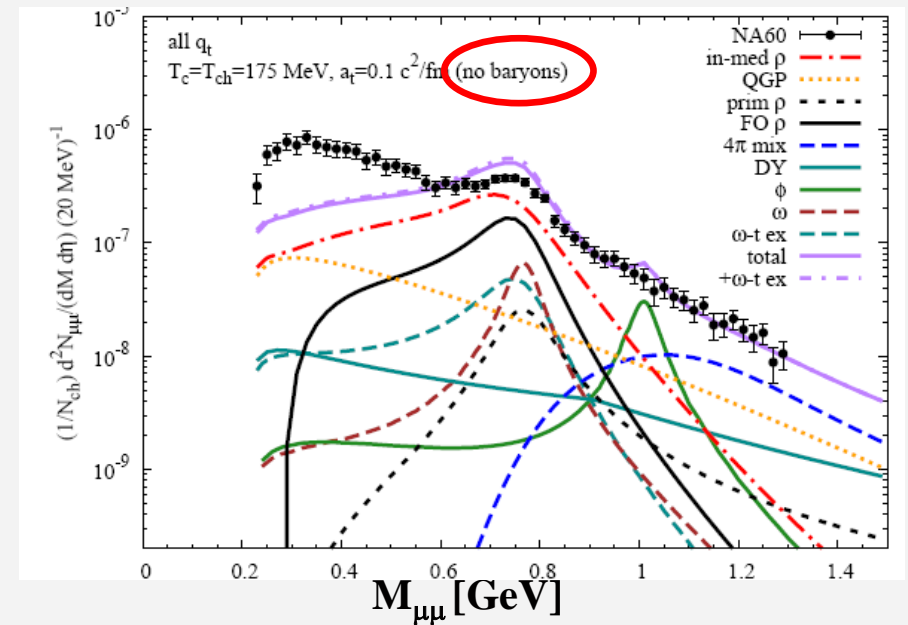
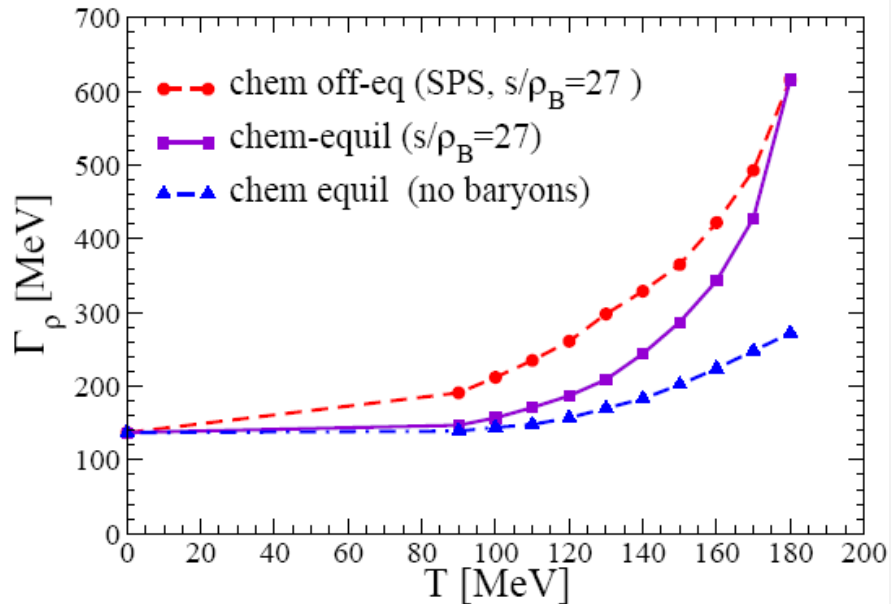
## $m_T$ -Slopes



- spectral shape as function of pair- $p_T$
- entangled with transverse flow (**barometer**)

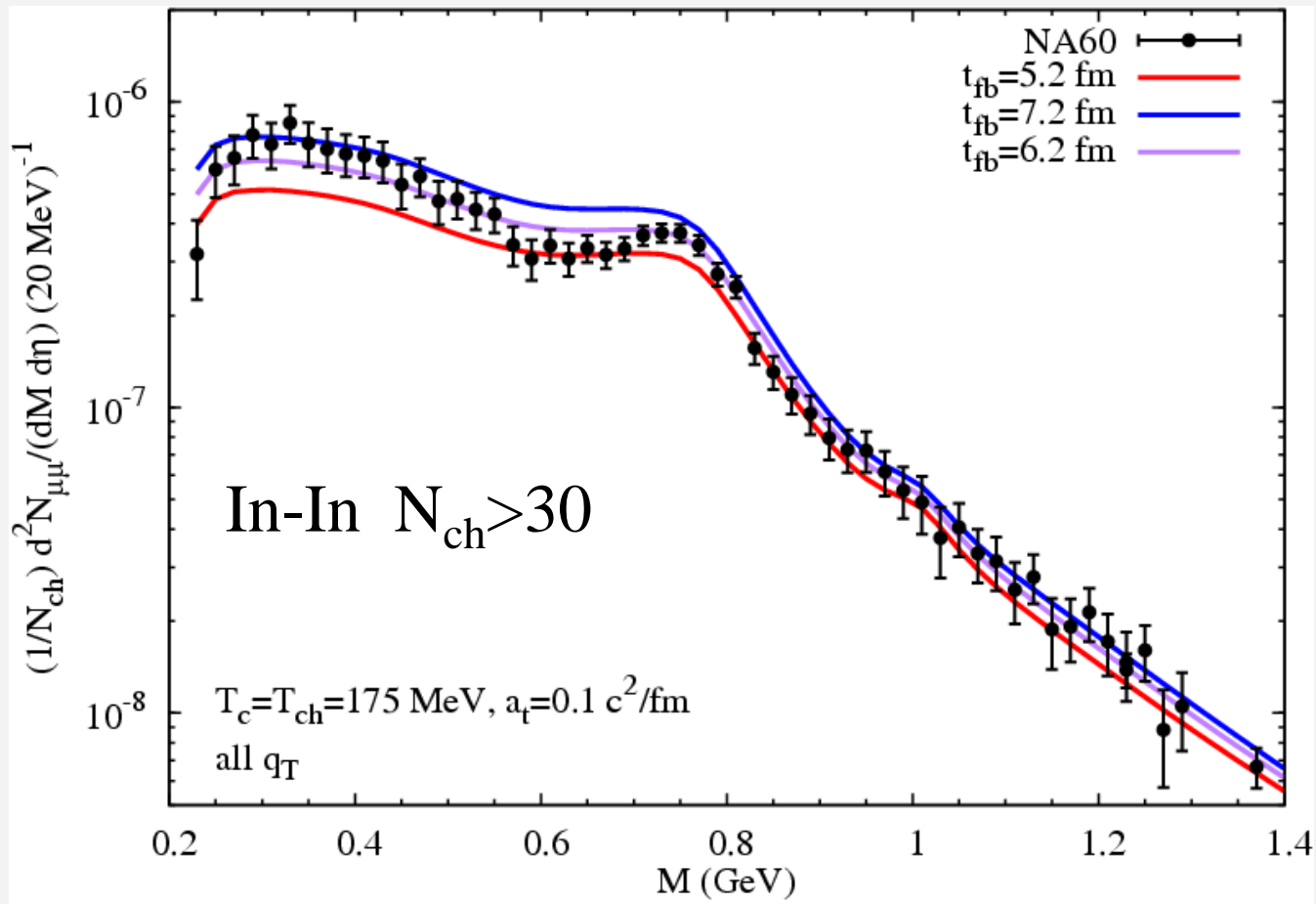
# 4.1.2 Sensitivity to Spectral Function

## In-Medium $\rho$ -Meson Width



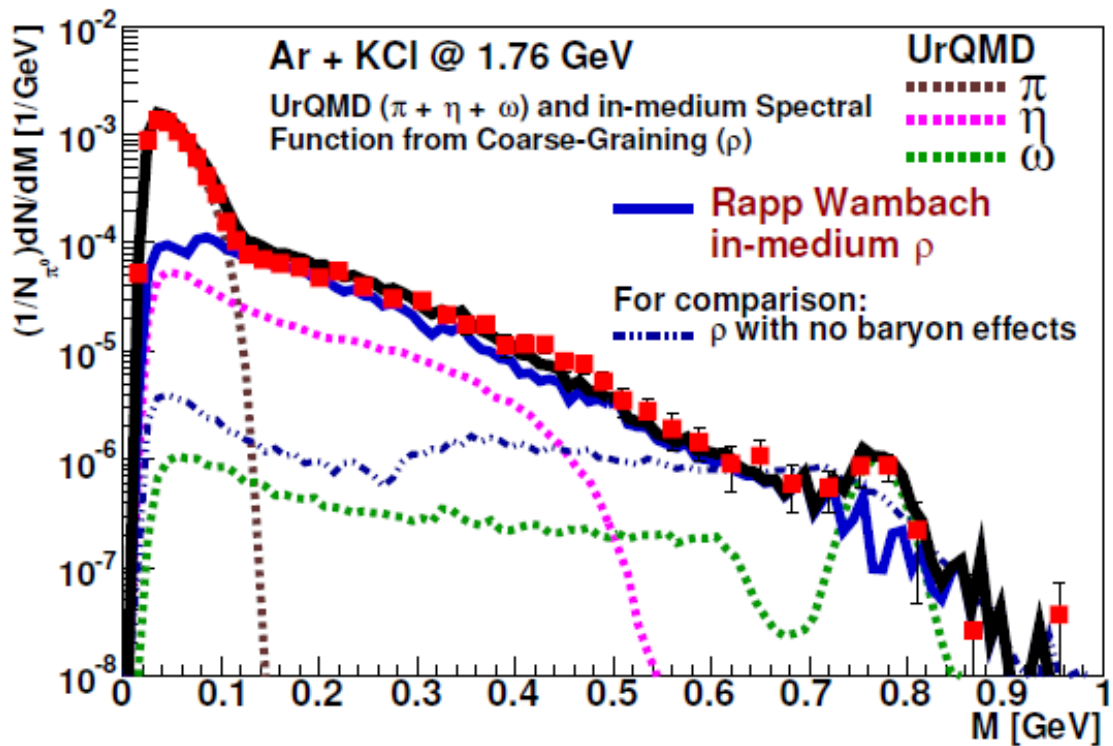
- avg.  $\Gamma_\rho(T \sim 150 \text{ MeV}) \sim 370 \text{ MeV} \Rightarrow \Gamma_\rho(T \sim T_c) \approx 600 \text{ MeV} \rightarrow m_\rho$
- driven by (anti-) baryons

## 4.2 Low-Mass Dileptons: **Chronometer**



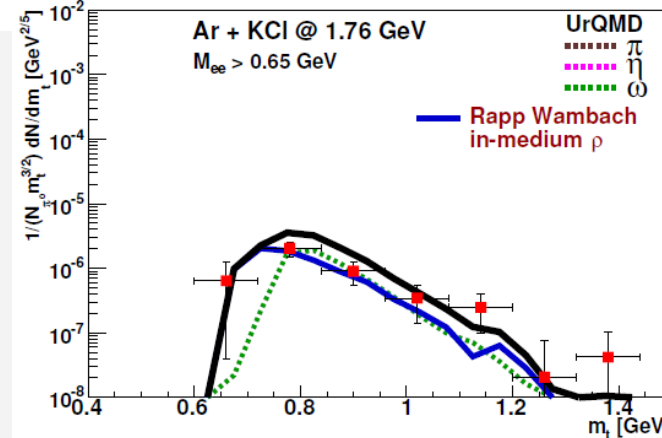
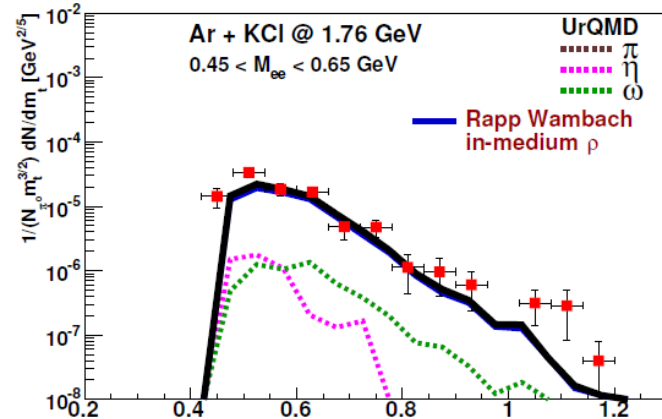
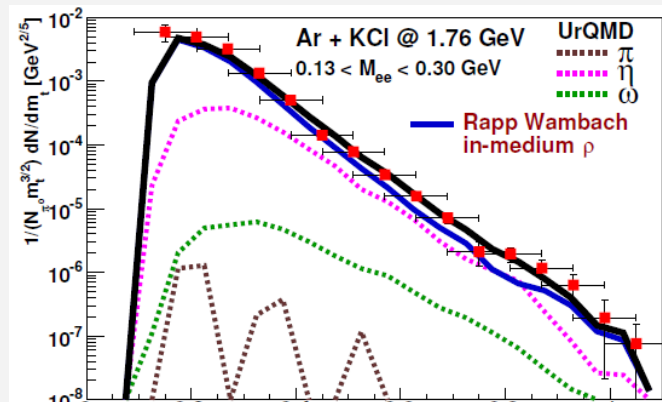
- first “explicit” measurement of interacting-fireball **lifetime**:  
 $\tau_{\text{FB}} \approx (7 \pm 1) \text{ fm}/c$

# 2.4 Low-Mass $e^+e^-$ at HADES (2.63 GeV)



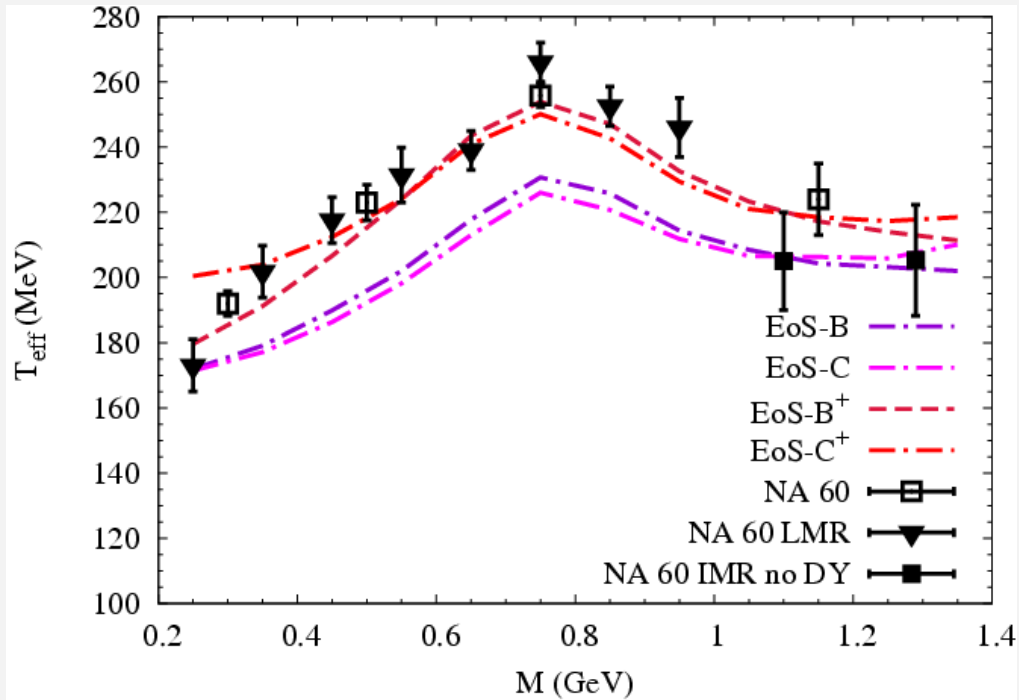
[Endres, van Hees+Bleicher, in prep]

- Thermal rates folded over **coarse-grained** UrQMD medium evolution
- good description in  $(M, q_t)$
- data well beyond kinematic limit (**0.75 GeV**)!

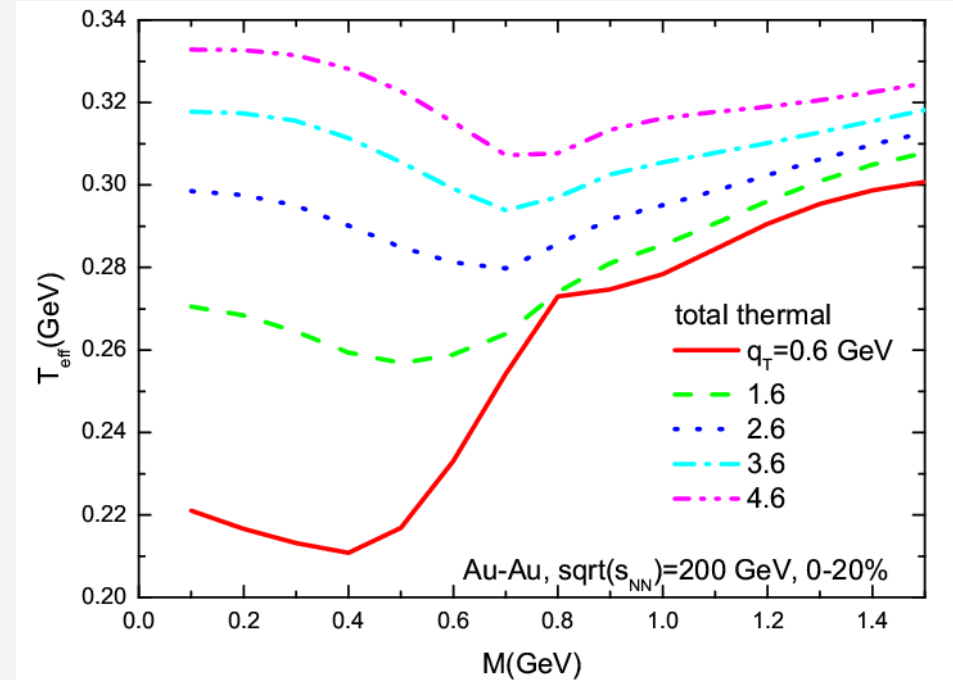


# 4.5 QGP Barometer: Blue Shift vs. Temperature

## SPS



## RHIC

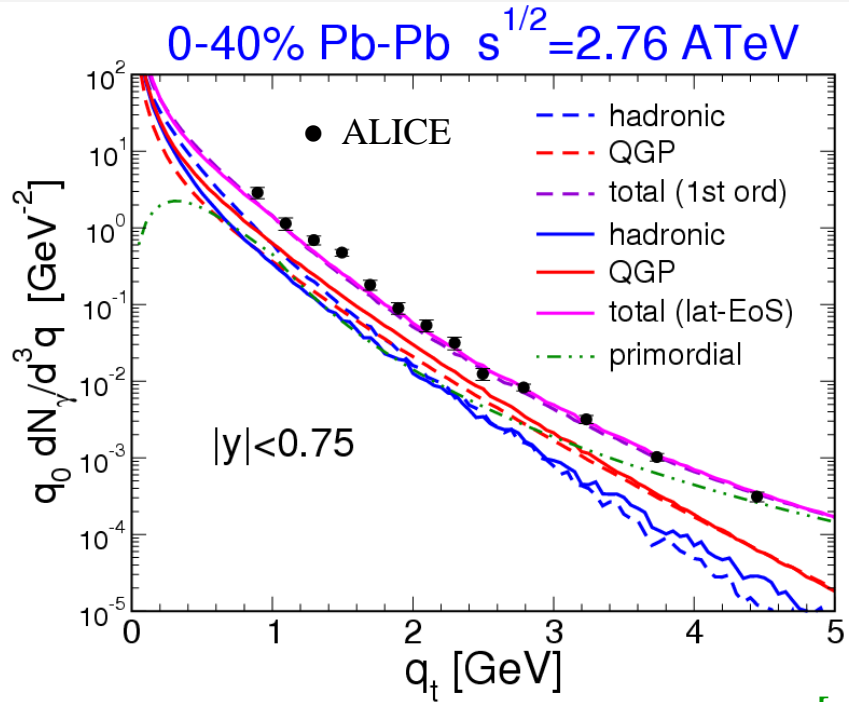


- QGP-flow driven increase of  $T_{\text{eff}} \sim T + M (\beta_{\text{flow}})^2$  at **RHIC**
- high  $p_t$ : high **T** wins over high-flow  $\rho$ 's  $\rightarrow$  minimum (opposite to **SPS**!)
- saturates at “true” early temperature  $T_0$  (no flow)



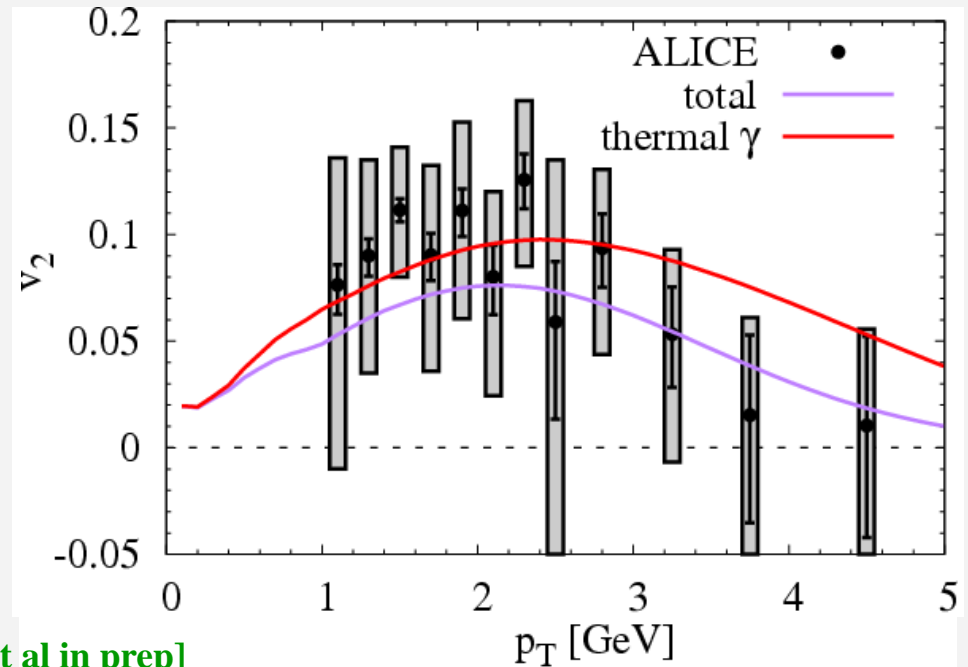
# 3.3.3 Direct Photons at LHC

## Spectra



[van Hees et al in prep]

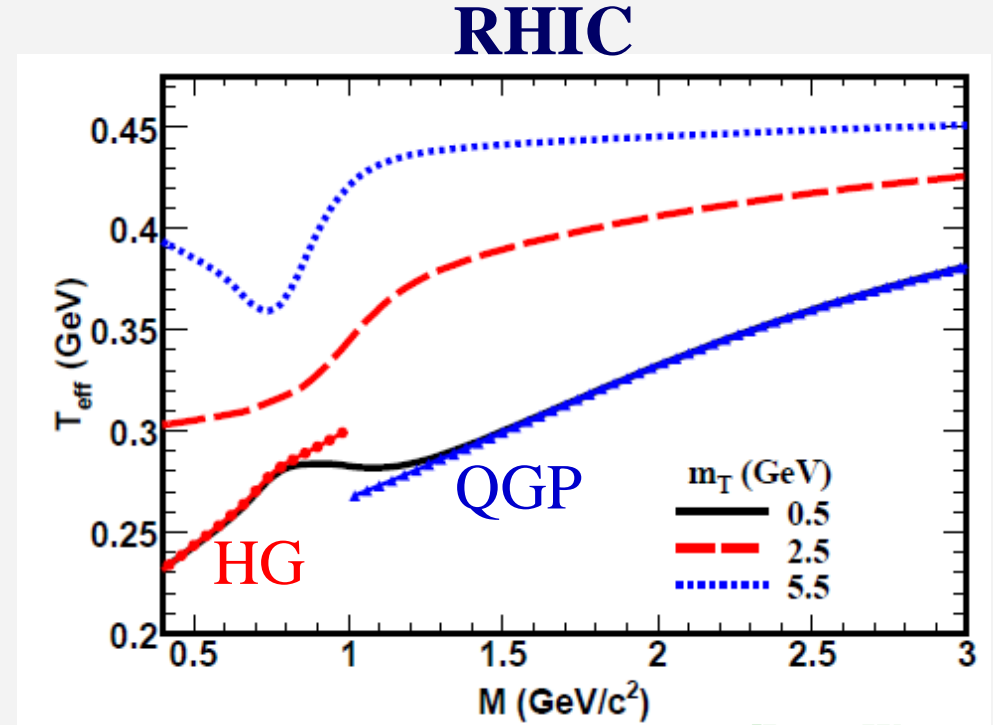
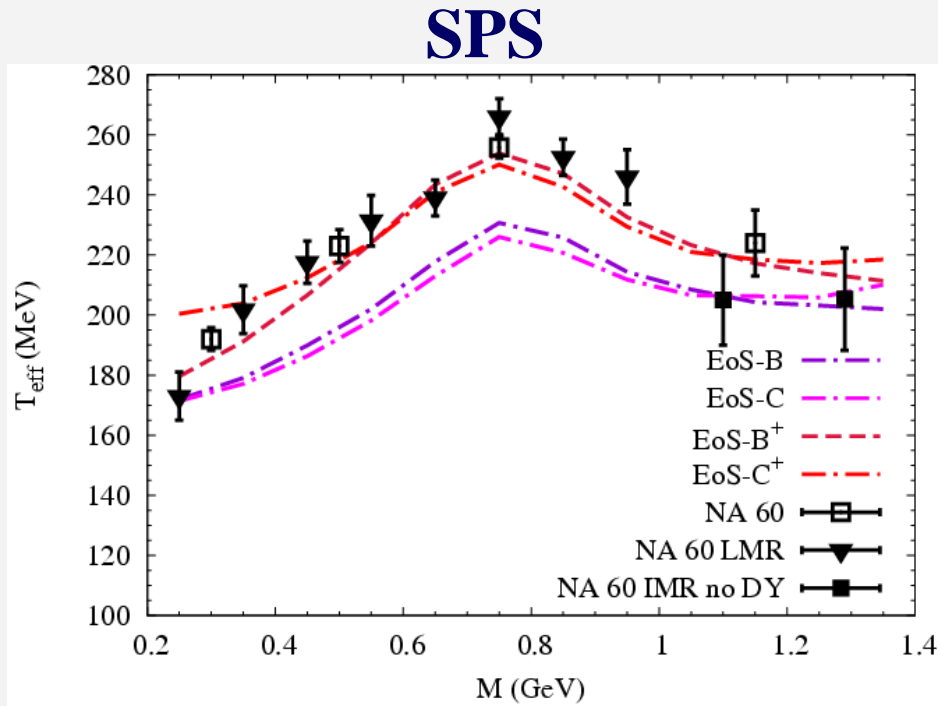
## Elliptic Flow



- similar to RHIC results
- non-perturbative photon emission rates around  $T_{pc}$ ?

# 3.1.2 Transverse-Momentum Spectra: Baro-meter

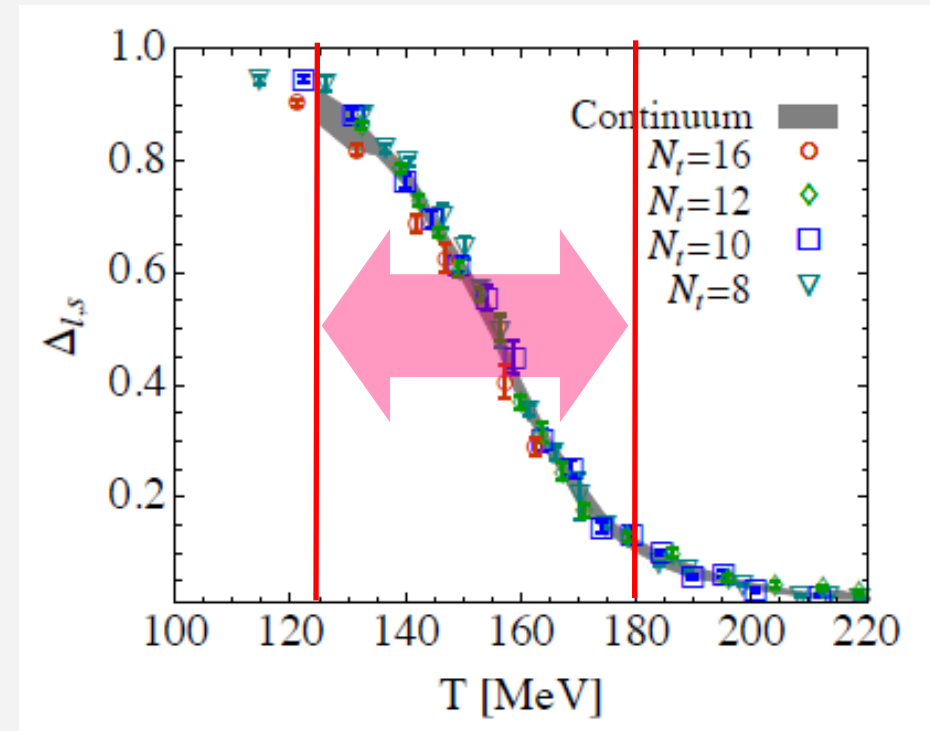
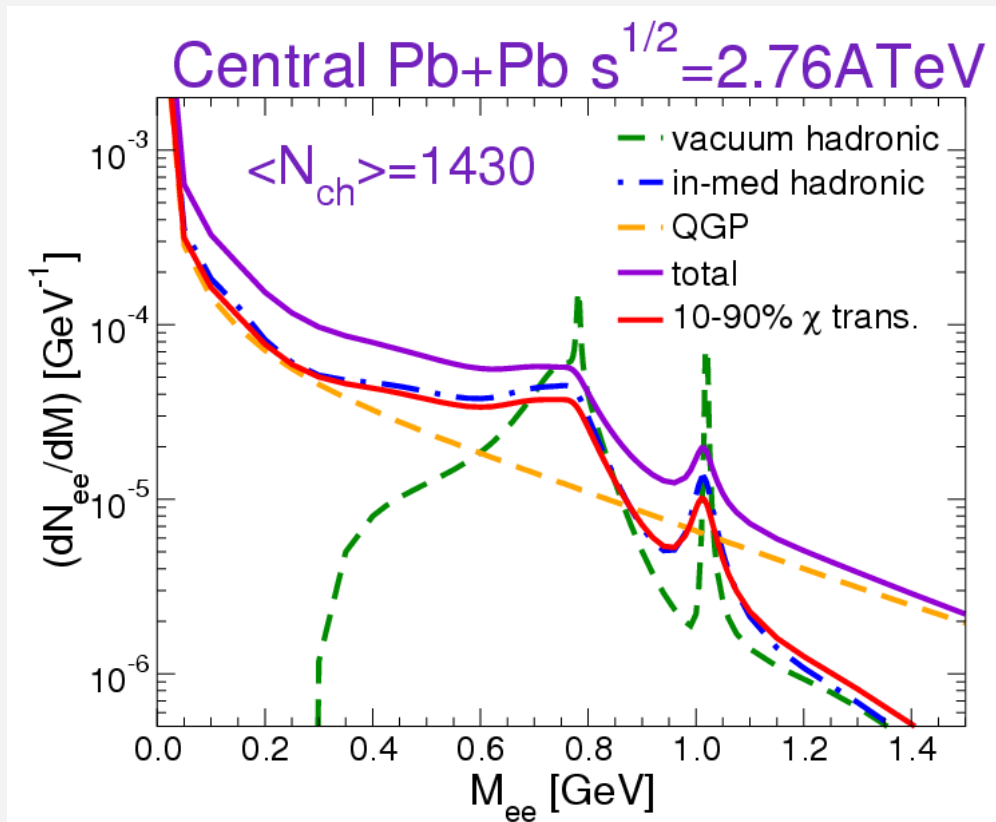
## Effective Slope Parameters



[Deng,Wang,  
Xu+Zhuang '11]

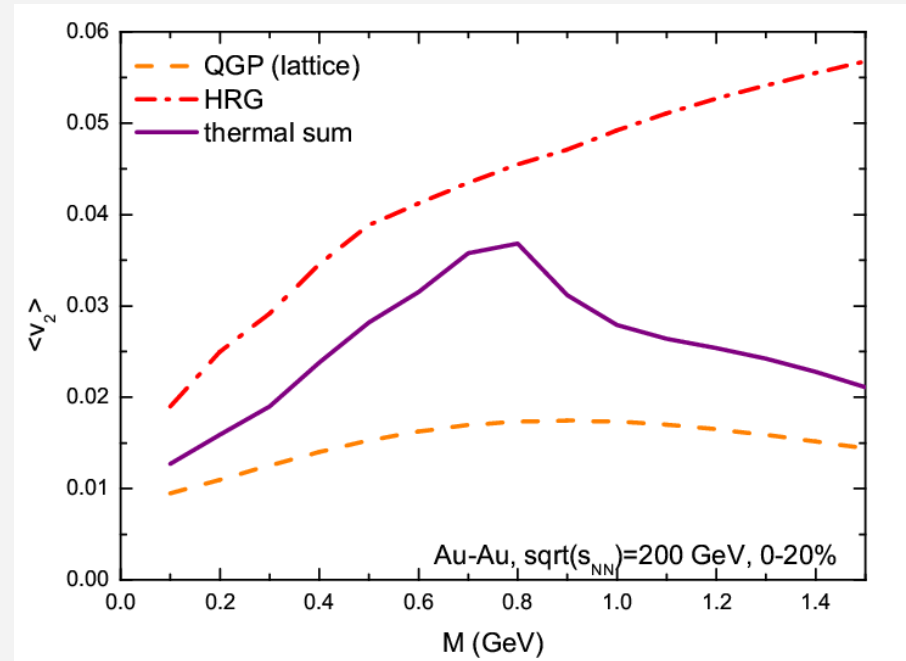
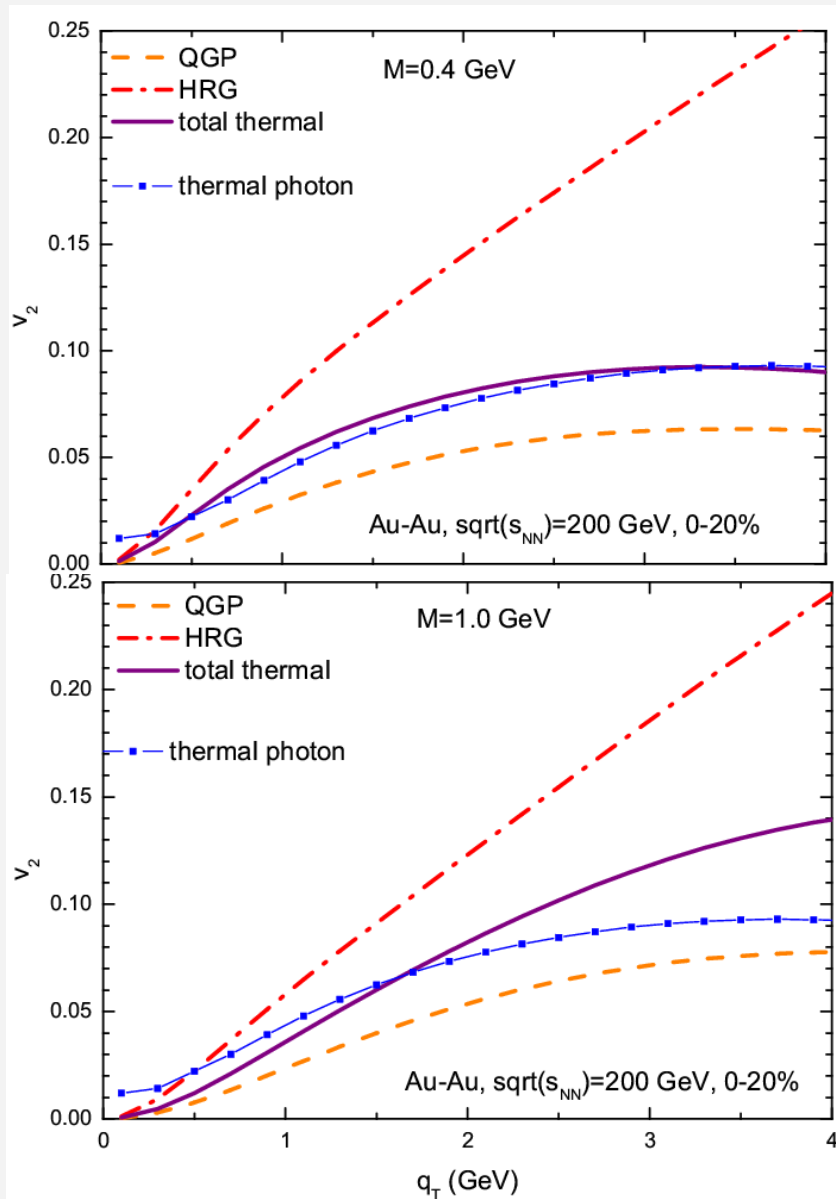
- qualitative change from SPS to RHIC: flowing QGP
- true temperature “shines” at large  $m_T$

# 5.2 Chiral Restoration Window at LHC



- low-mass spectral shape in chiral restoration window:  
 ~60% of thermal low-mass yield in “chiral transition region”  
 (T=125-180 MeV)
- enrich with (low-)  $p_t$  cuts

# 4.4 Elliptic Flow of Dileptons at RHIC

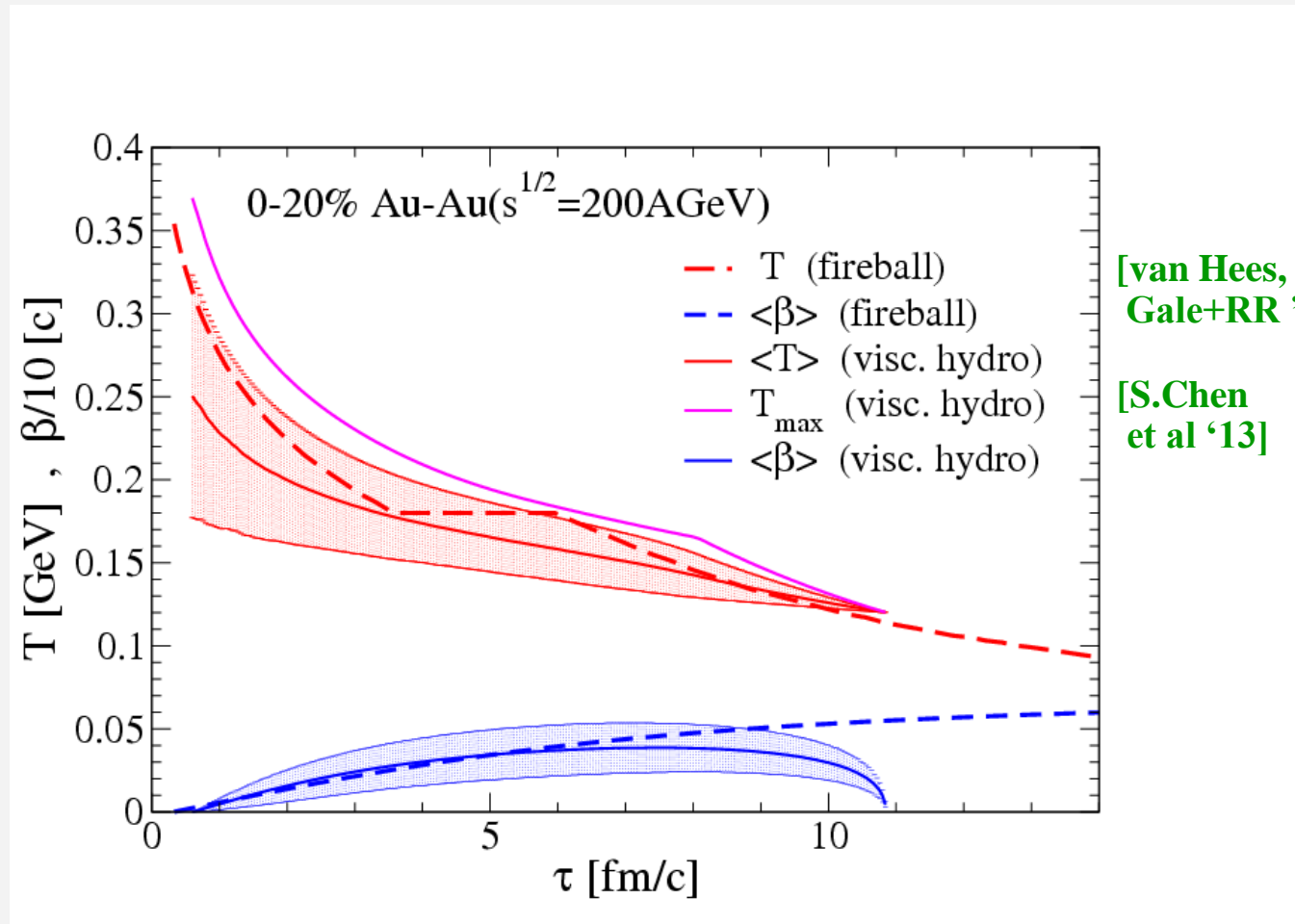


- maximum structure due to late  $\rho$  decays

[He et al '12]

[Chatterjee et al '07, Zhuang et al '09]

## 3.3.2 Fireball vs. Viscous Hydro Evolution



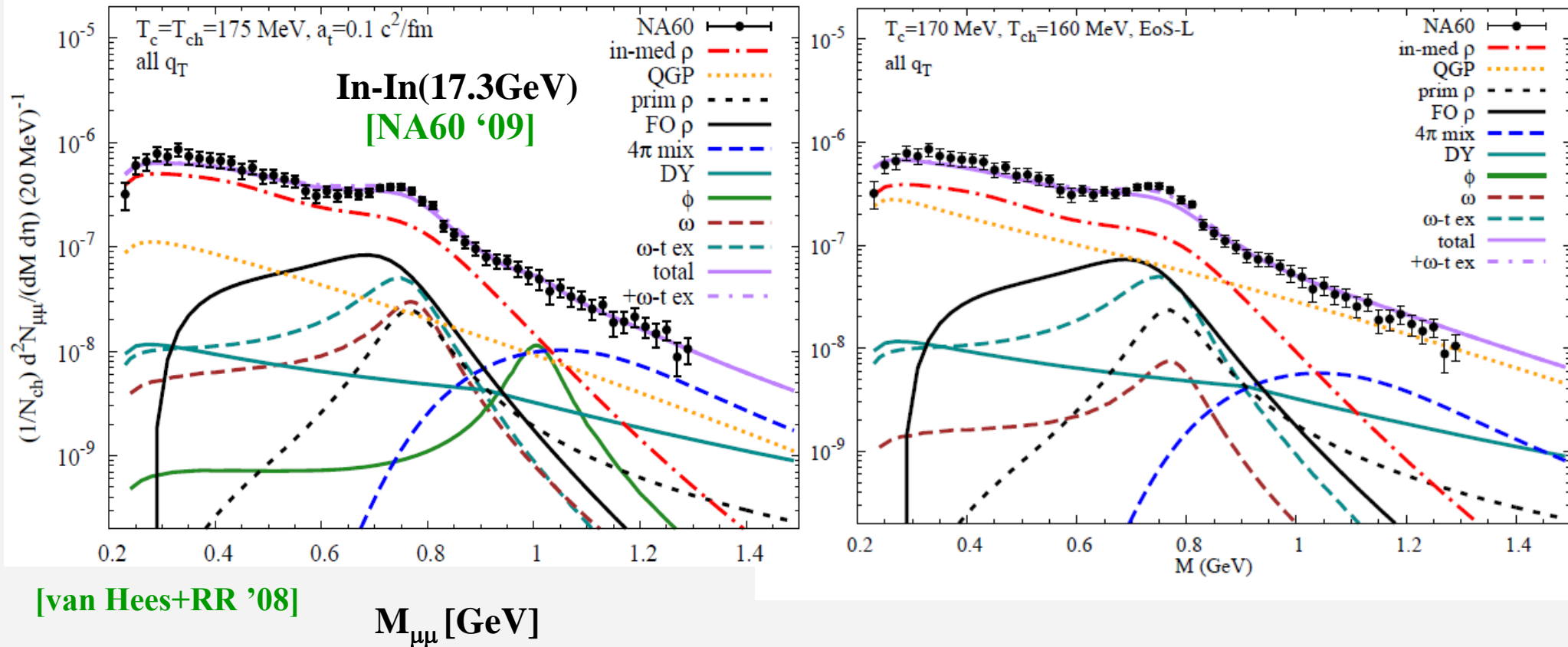
- very similar!

# 2.3 Dilepton Rates vs. Exp.: NA60 “Spectrometer”

- Evolve rates over fireball expansion:

$$\frac{dN_{\mu\mu}^{therm}}{dM} = \int_{\tau_0}^{\tau_{fo}} d\tau V_{FB}(\tau) \int \frac{M d^3q}{q_0} \frac{dR_{\mu\mu}^{therm}}{d^4q}$$

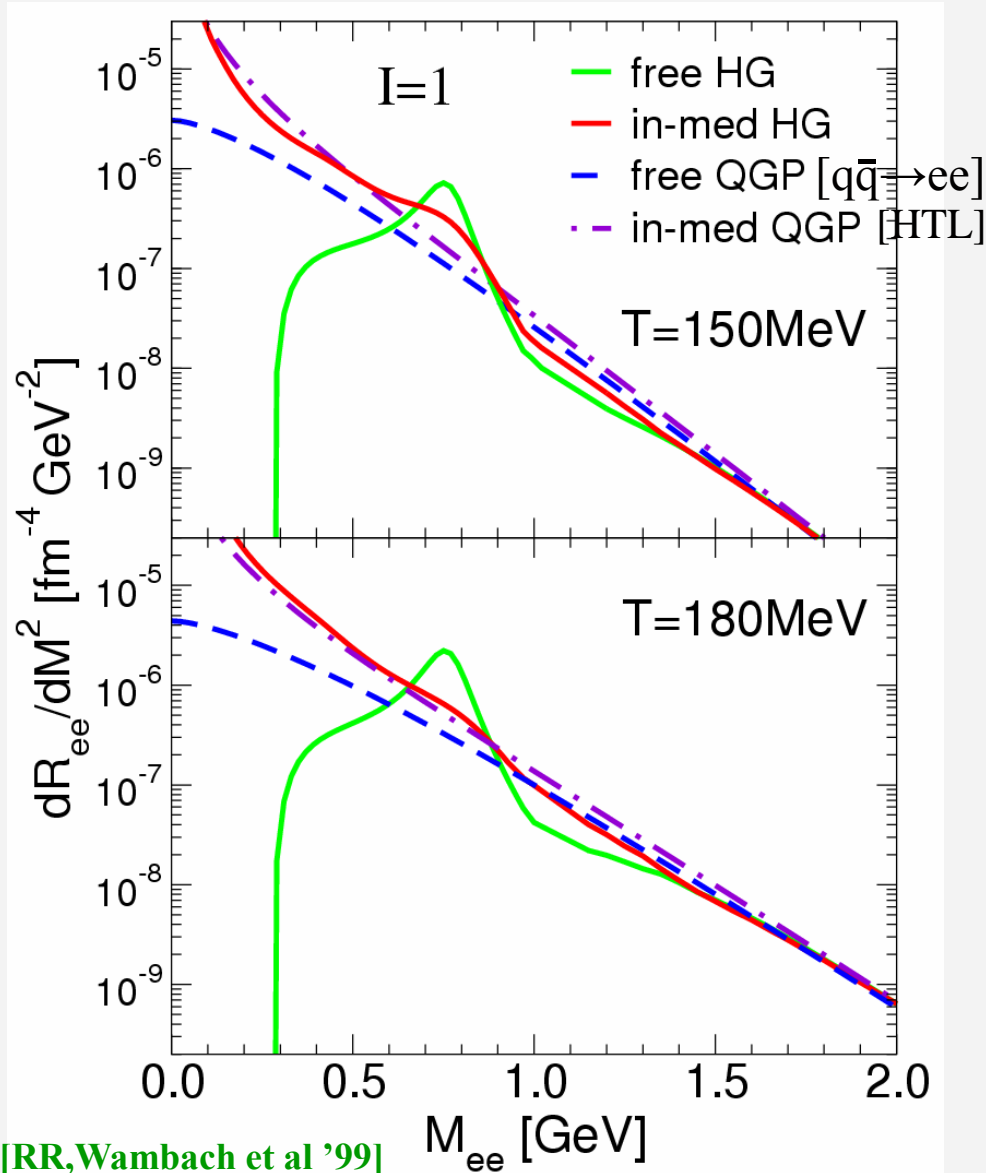
## Acc.-corrected $\mu^+\mu^-$ Excess Spectra



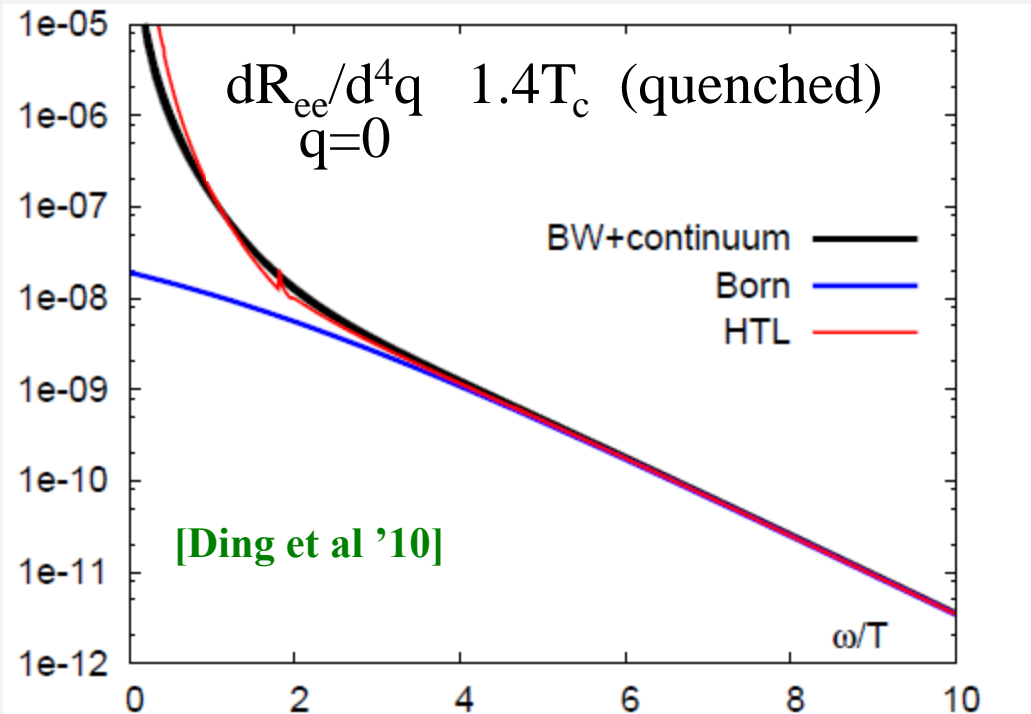
- **invariant**-mass spectrum directly reflects thermal emission rate!

# 2.2 Dilepton Rates: Hadronic - Lattice - Perturbative

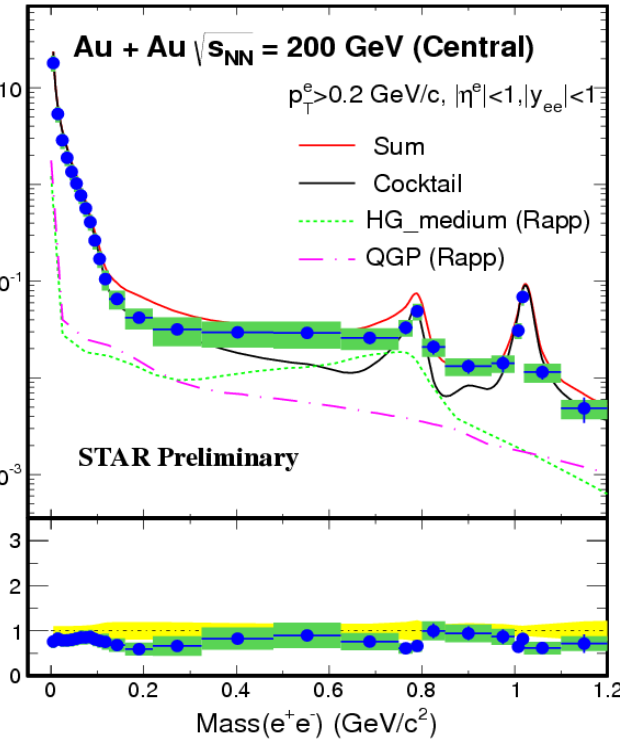
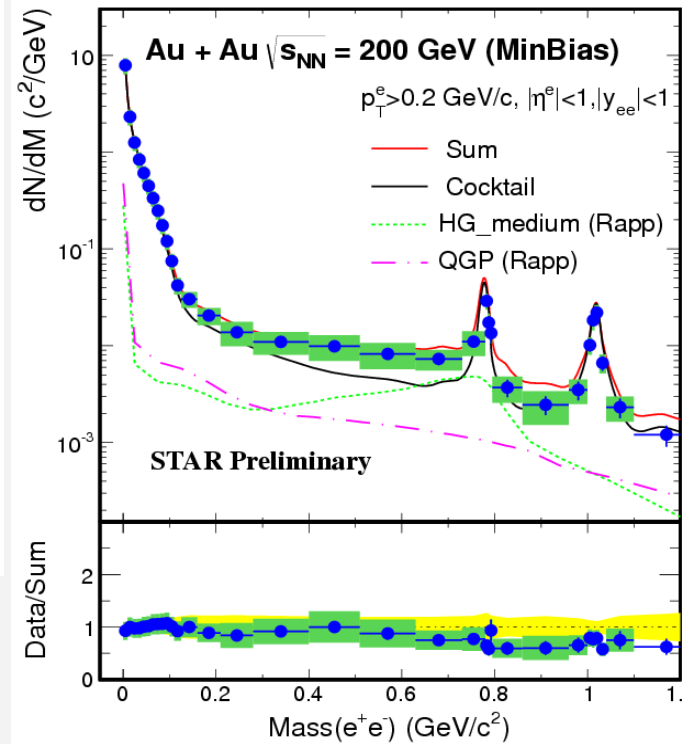
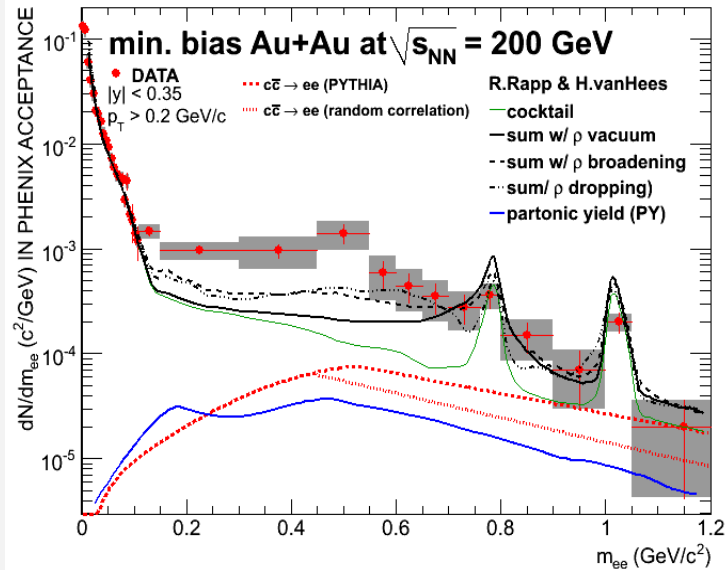
$$dR_{ee}/dM^2 \sim \int d^3q f^B(q_0; T) \text{Im} \Pi_{em}$$



- continuous rate through  $T_{pc}$
- 3-fold “degeneracy” toward  $\sim T_{pc}$



# 4.2 Low-Mass $e^+e^-$ at RHIC: PHENIX vs. STAR

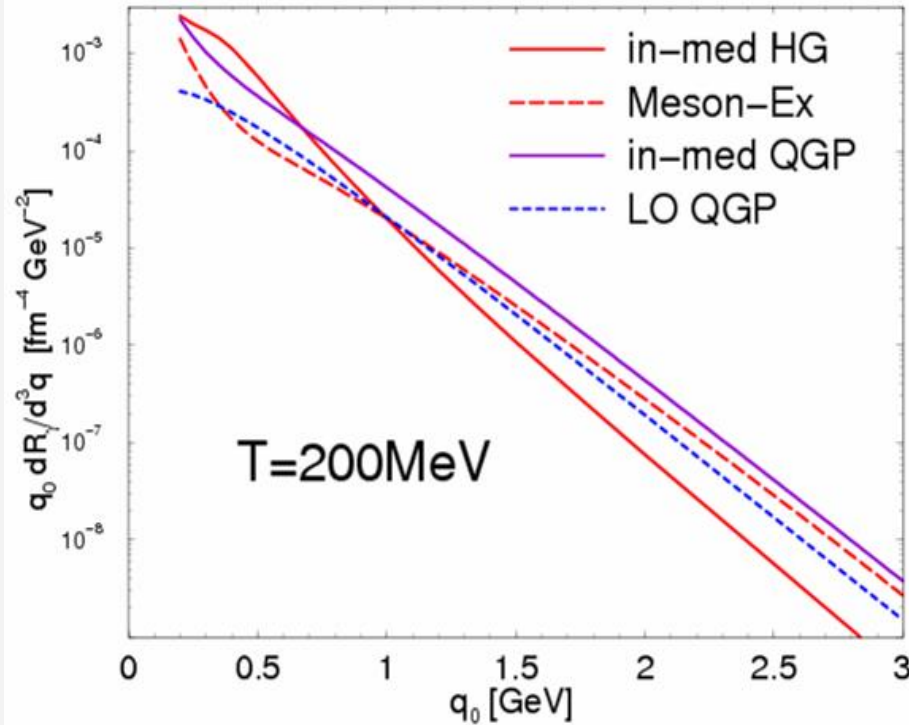


- **PHENIX** enhancement (central!) not accounted for by theory
- **STAR** data ok with theory (charm?!)



## 4.3.2 Revisit Ingredients

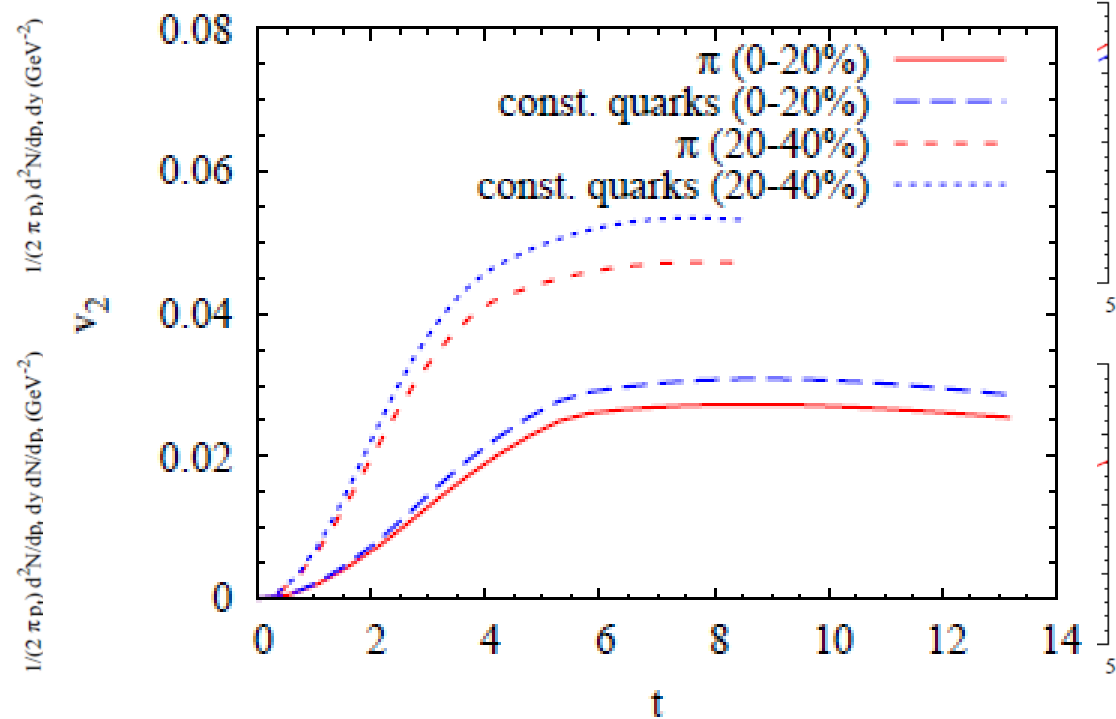
### Emission Rates



- Hadron - QGP continuity!
- conservative estimates...

[Turbide et al '04]

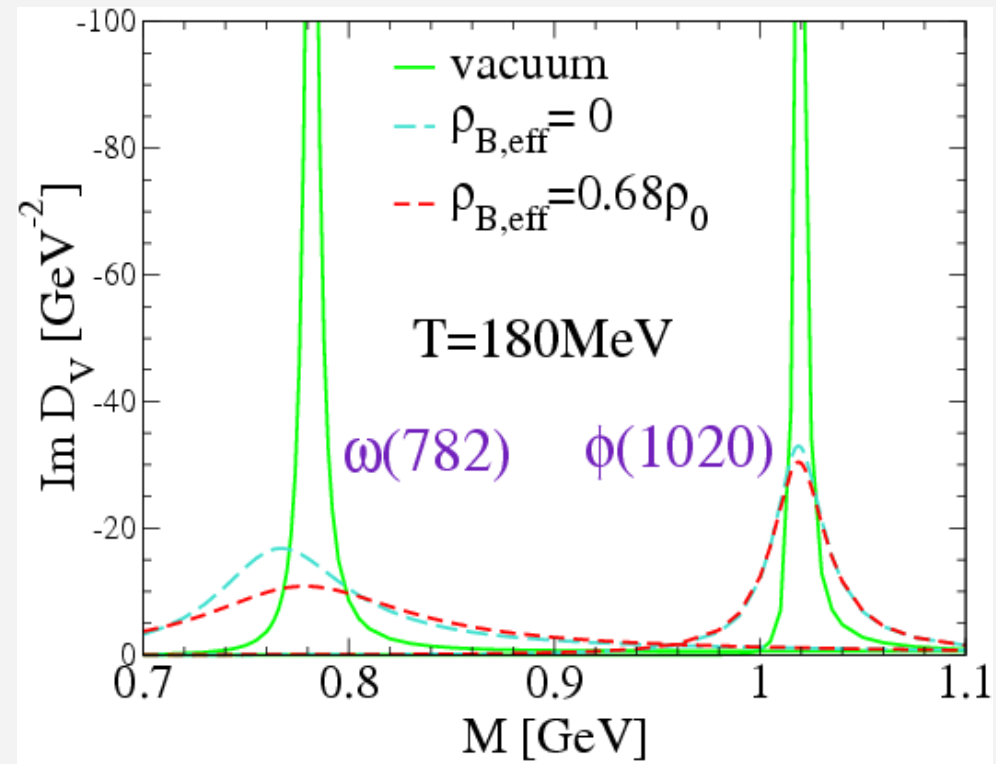
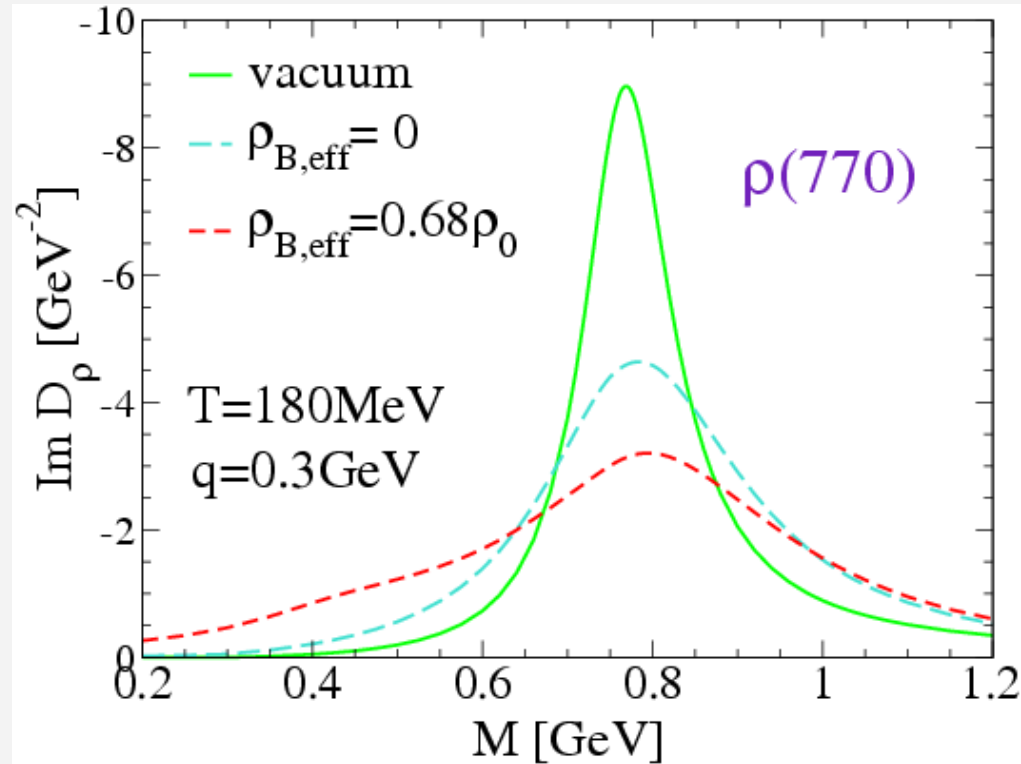
### Fireball Evolution



- multi-strange hadrons at “ $T_c$ ”
- $v_2^{\text{bulk}}$  fully built up at hadronization
- chemical potentials for  $\pi$ ,  $K$ , ...

[van Hees et al '11]

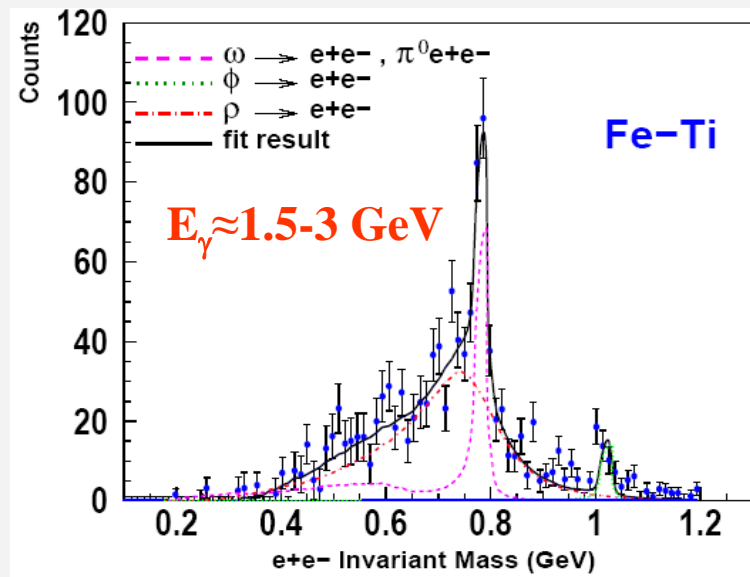
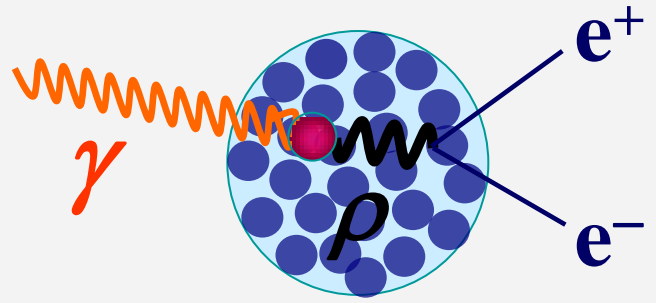
## 4.7.2 Light Vector Mesons at RHIC + LHC



- baryon effects important even at  $\rho_{B,\text{tot}} = 0$  :  
 sensitive to  $\rho_{B,\text{tot}} = \rho_B + \rho_{\bar{B}}$  ( $\rho$ -N and  $\rho$ - $\bar{N}$  interactions identical)
- $\omega$  also melts,  $\phi$  more robust  $\leftrightarrow$  OZI

# 4.1 Nuclear Photoproduction: $\rho$ Meson in Cold Matter

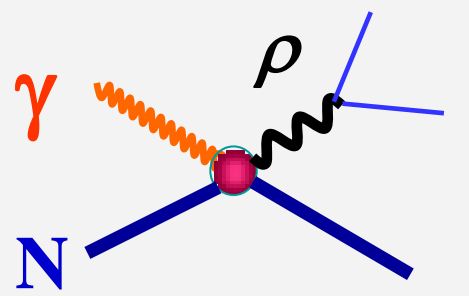
$$\gamma + A \rightarrow e^+e^- X$$



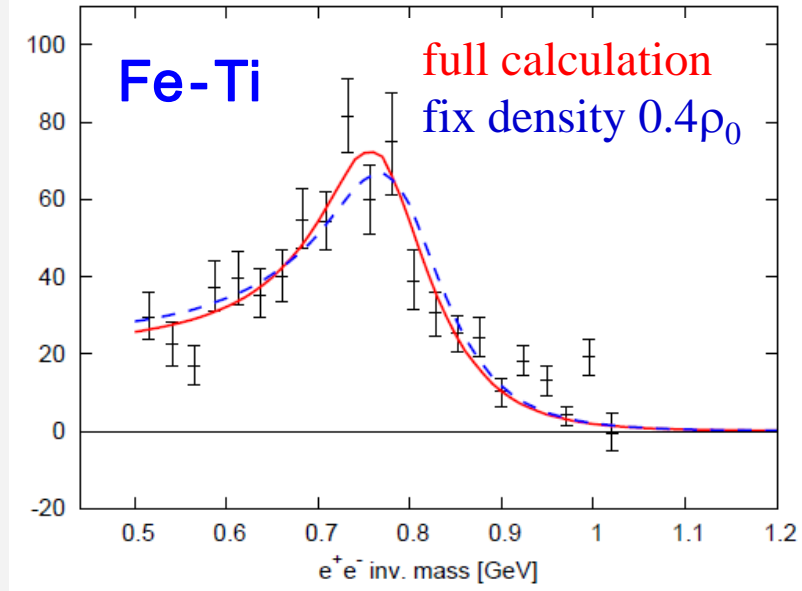
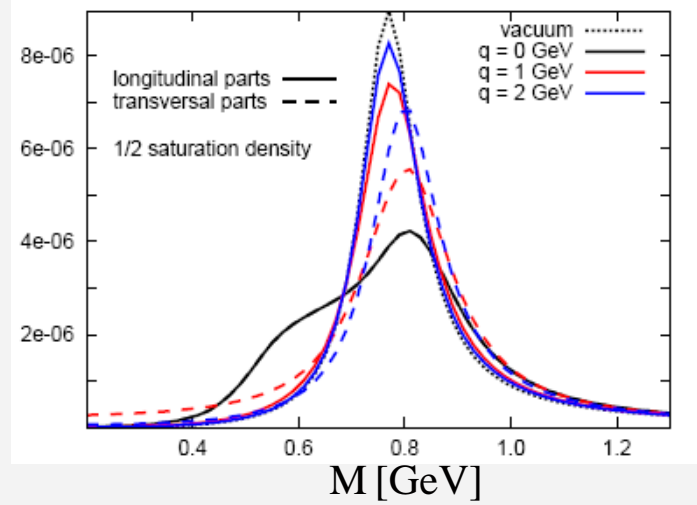
- extracted “in-med”  $\rho$ -width  $\Gamma_\rho \approx 220$  MeV
- [CLAS+GiBUU '08]

## • Microscopic Approach:

product. amplitude + in-med.  $\rho$  spectral fct.



[Riek et al '08, '10]



- $\rho$ -broadening reduced at high 3-momentum; **need low momentum cut!**