



Anisotropies from Low Density Scattering

Fuqiang Wang 王福强

University Purdue, Huzhou University

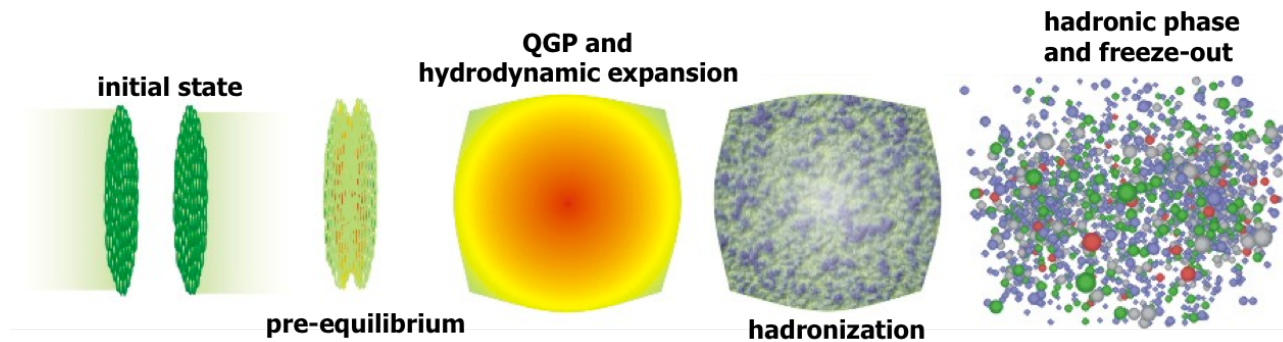


Outline

Introduction
Hydrodynamic flow
Escape mechanism
Summary



Azimuthal Anisotropy

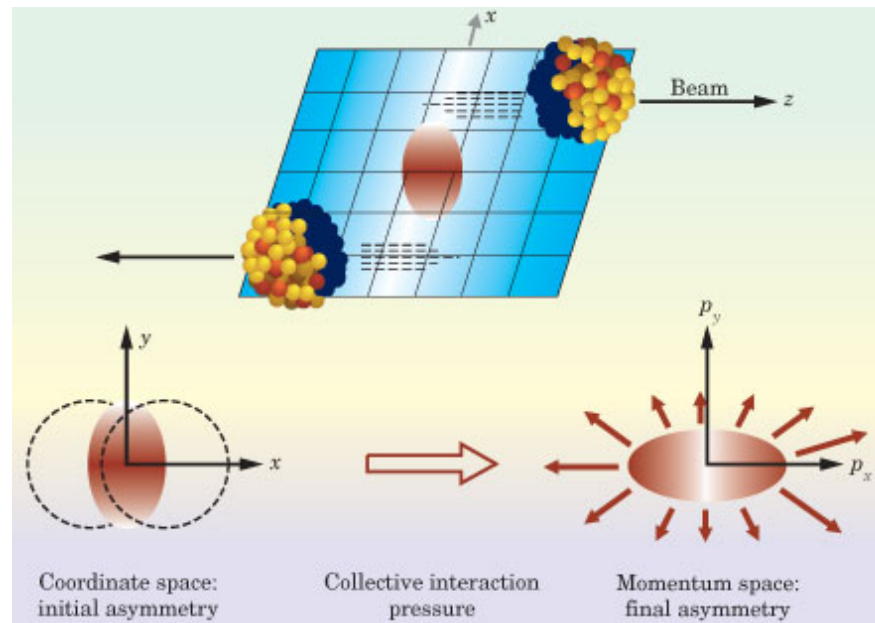


$$\varepsilon = \frac{\langle y^2 - x^2 \rangle}{\langle y^2 + x^2 \rangle}$$

$$v_2 = \frac{\langle p_x^2 - p_y^2 \rangle}{\langle p_x^2 + p_y^2 \rangle}$$

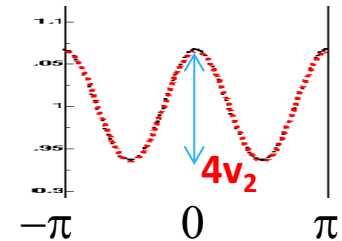
$$\equiv \langle \cos 2\varphi \rangle$$

$$\varphi = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{p_y}{p_x} \right)$$



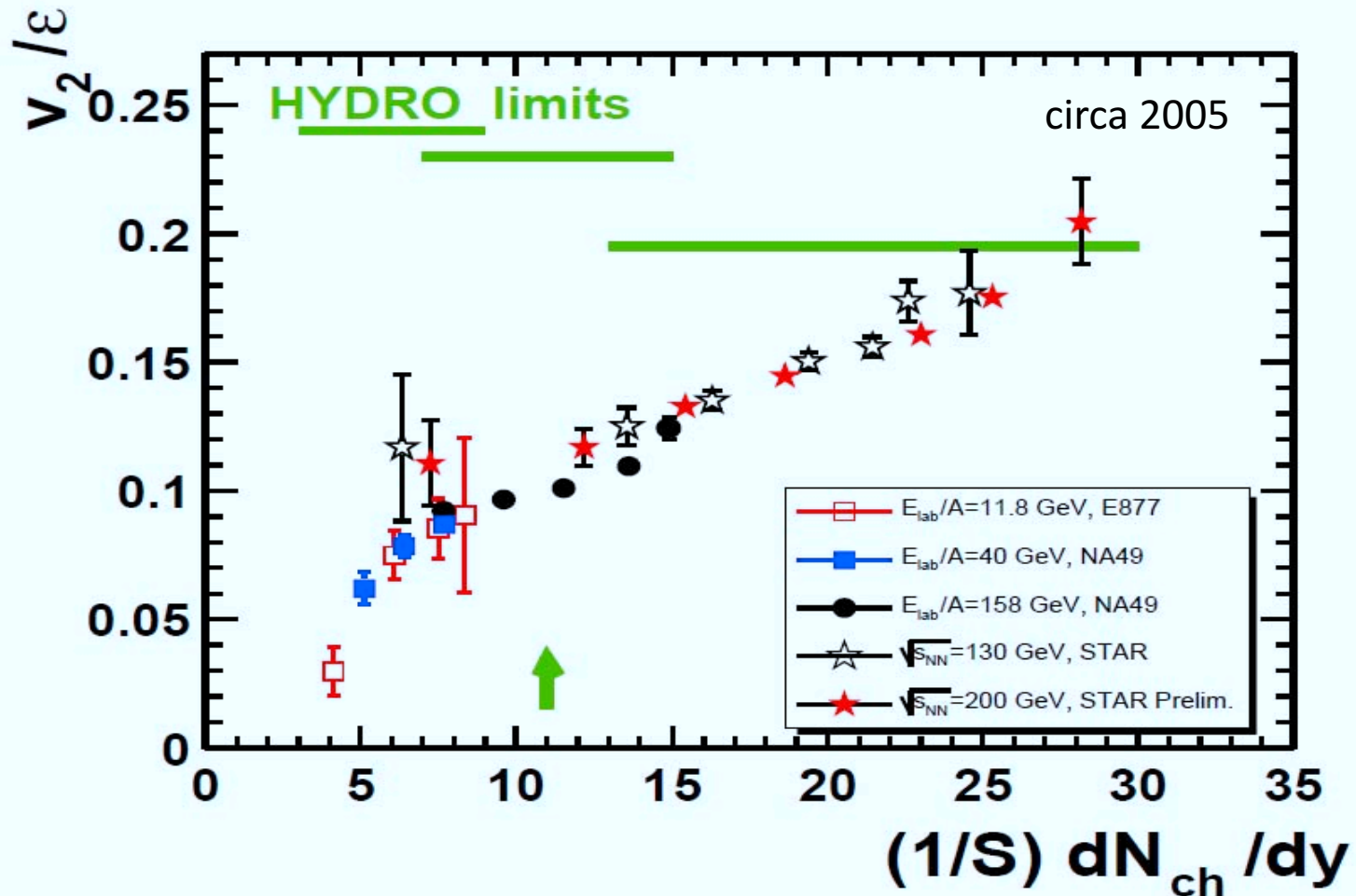
\hat{x} -anisotropy \Rightarrow \hat{p} -anisotropy
interaction

Common thinking:
High density, pressure
Pressure grad. anisotropy
Hydrodynamic expansion
Strongly interacting QGP

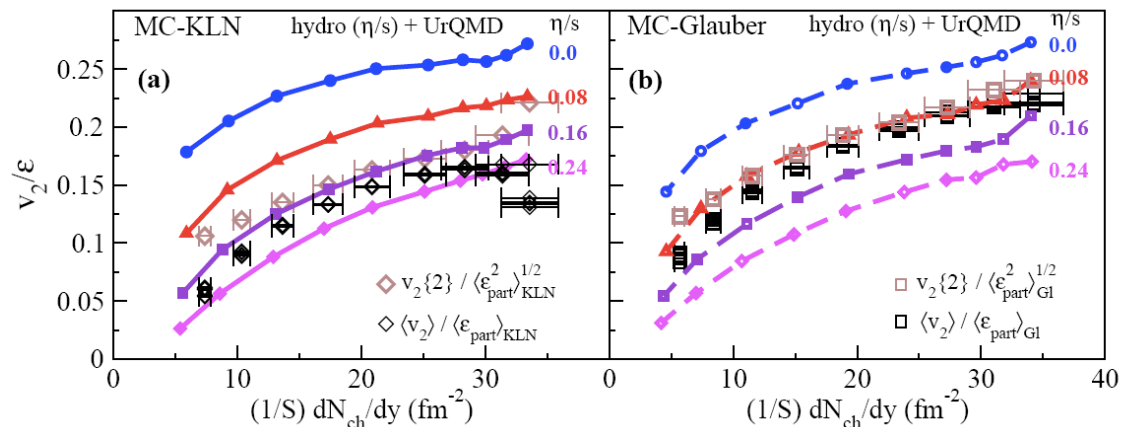
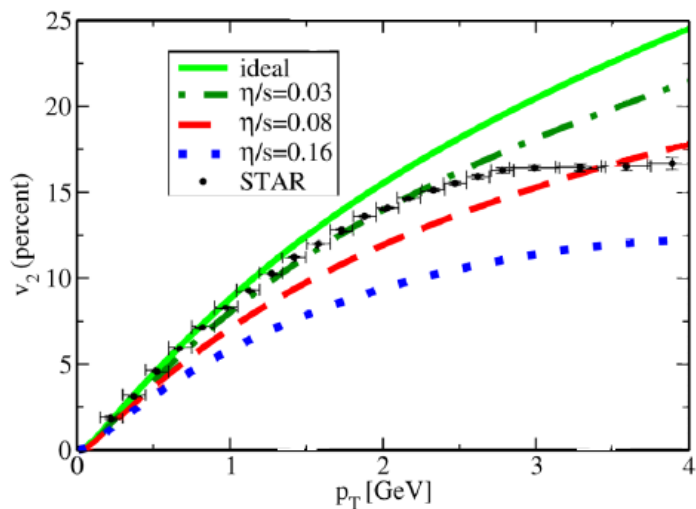
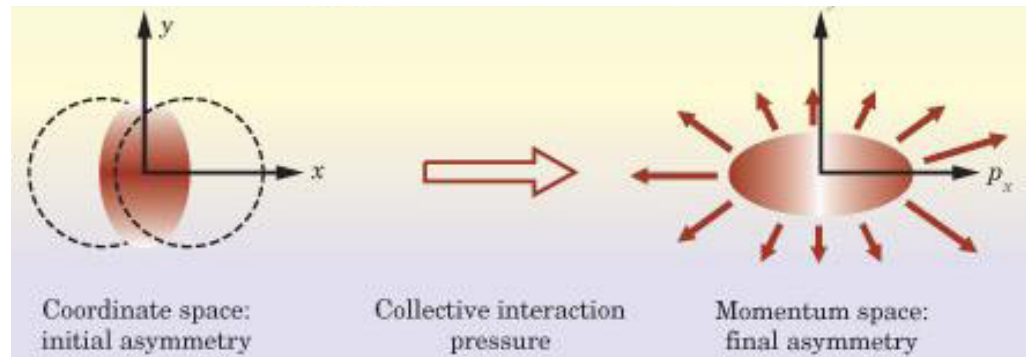
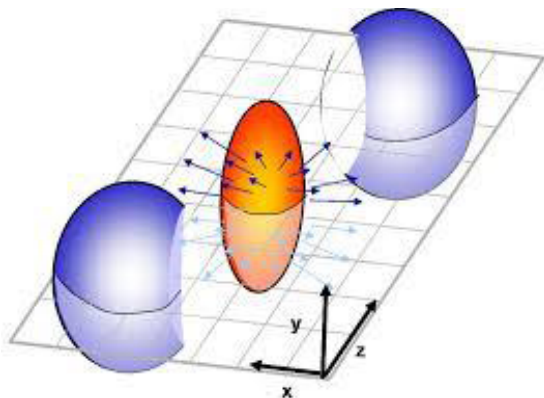


Finally “hydro” at RHIC...

The question is: **how strong is the interaction?**



Hydrodynamic calculation

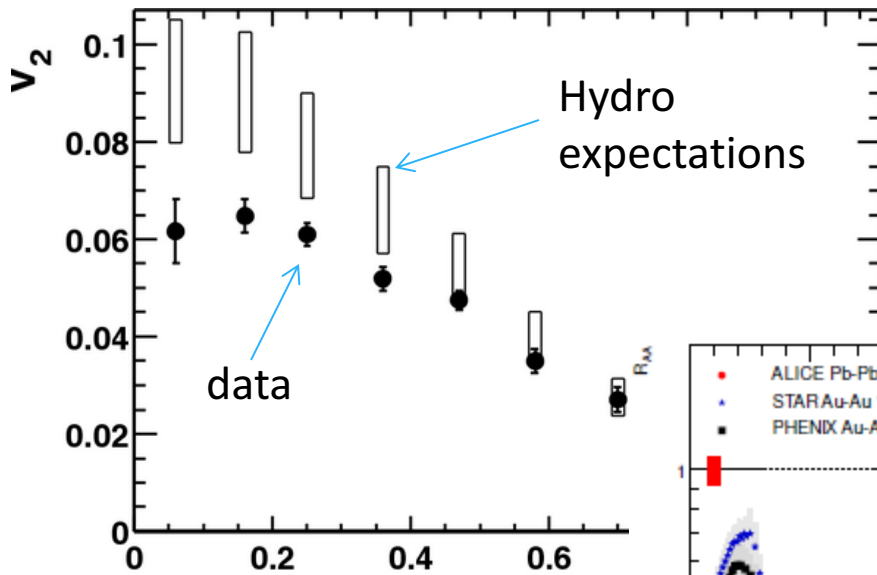


- ➔ **Small value** of viscosity over entropy density η/s
- ➔ Model uncertainty dominated by **initial ecc. ϵ**

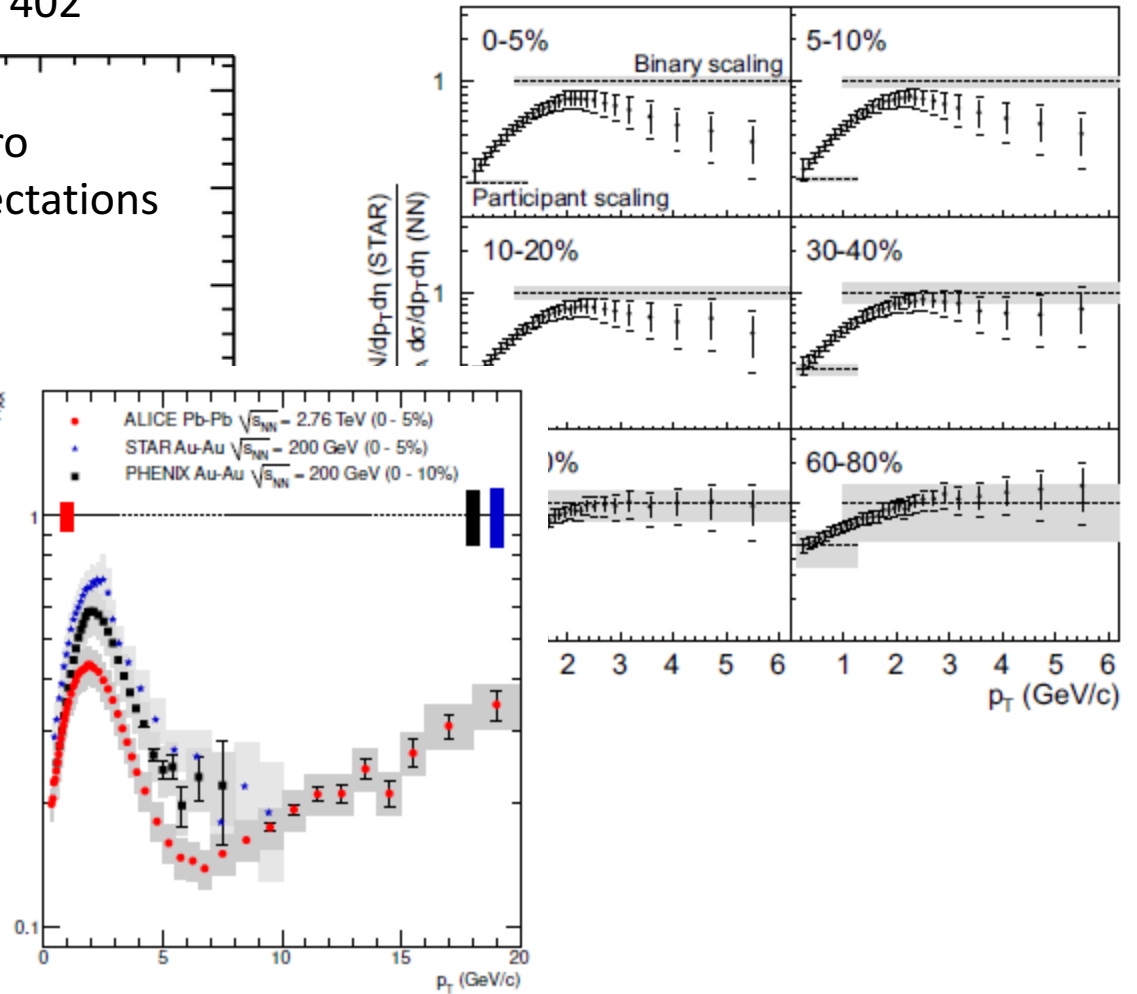
Model: Song *et al.* [arXiv:1011.2783](https://arxiv.org/abs/1011.2783)

Corroborated by large energy loss

STAR, PRL86 (2001) 402



STAR, PRL89 (2002) 202301

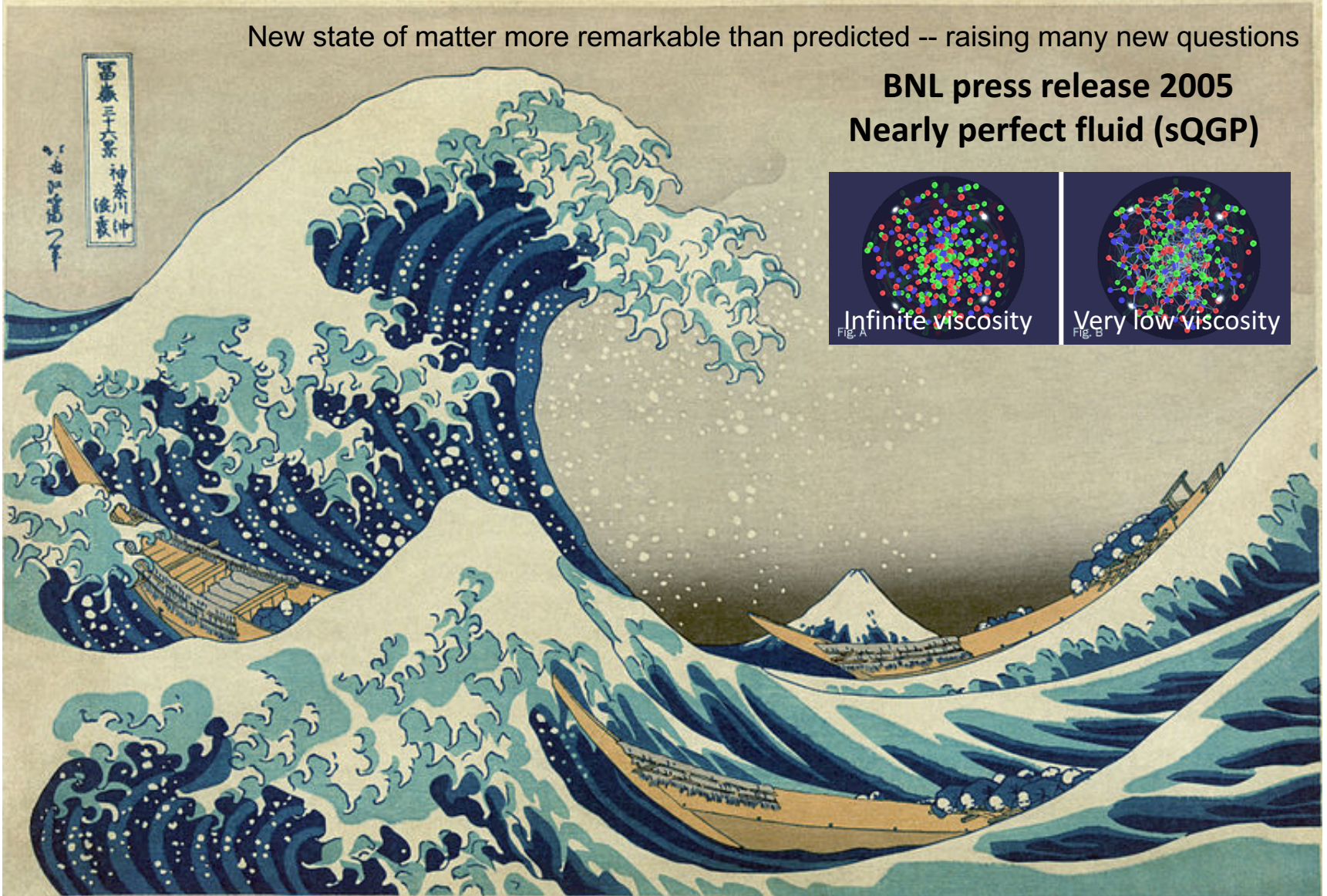


The Hydrodynamic Paradigm

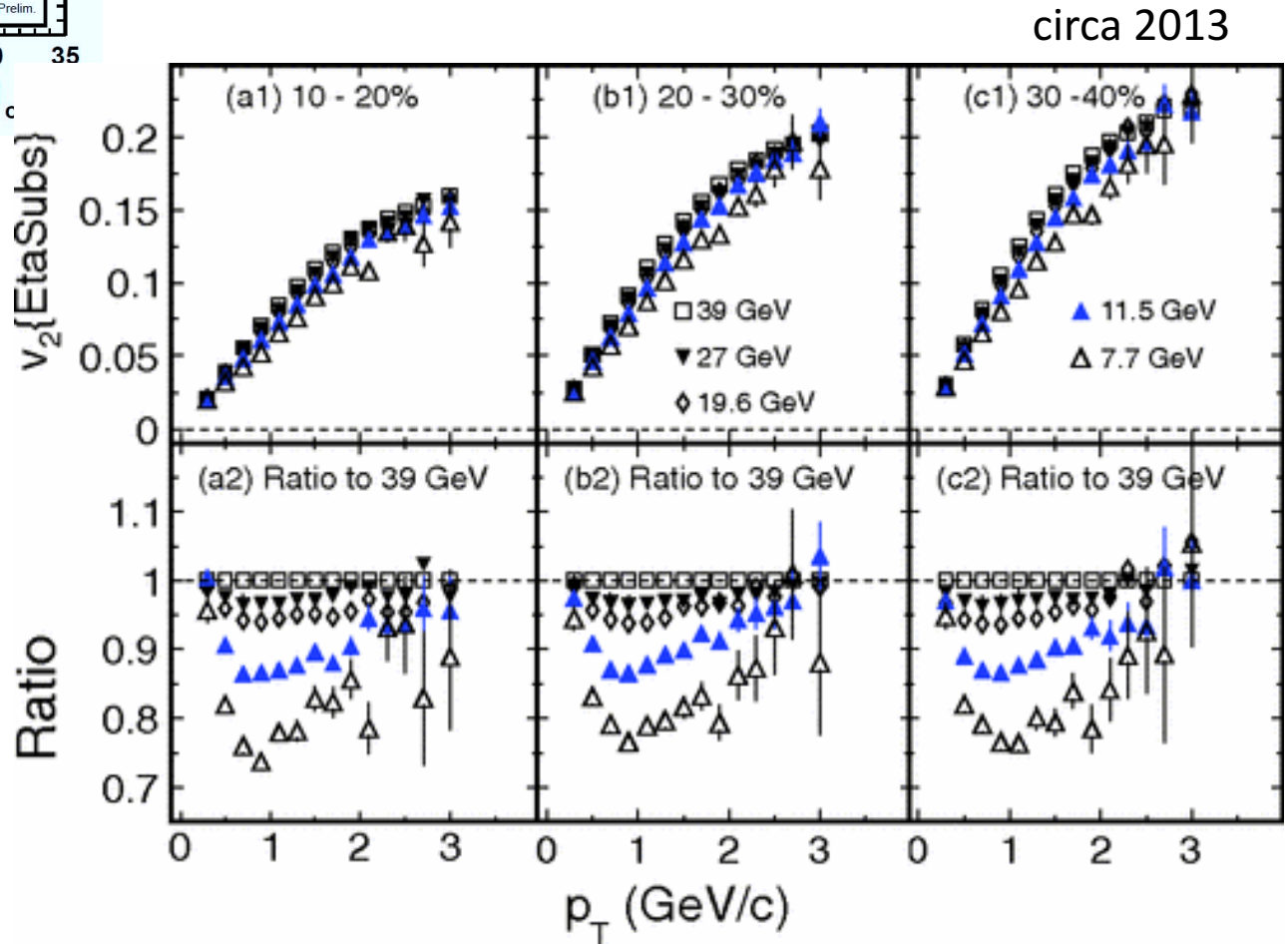
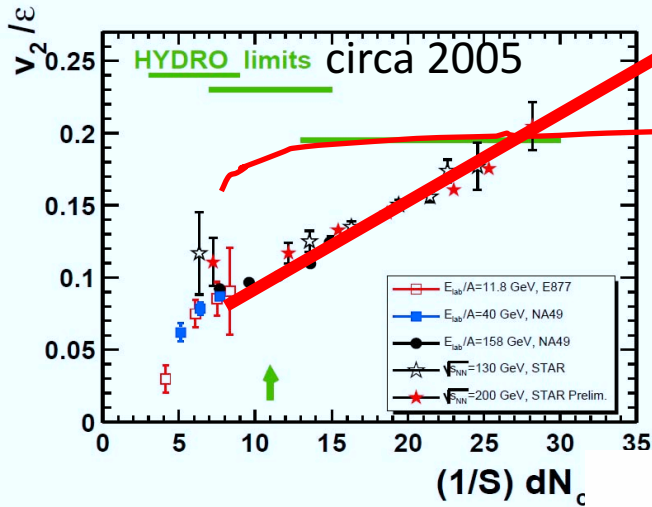
ca 2005

New state of matter more remarkable than predicted -- raising many new questions

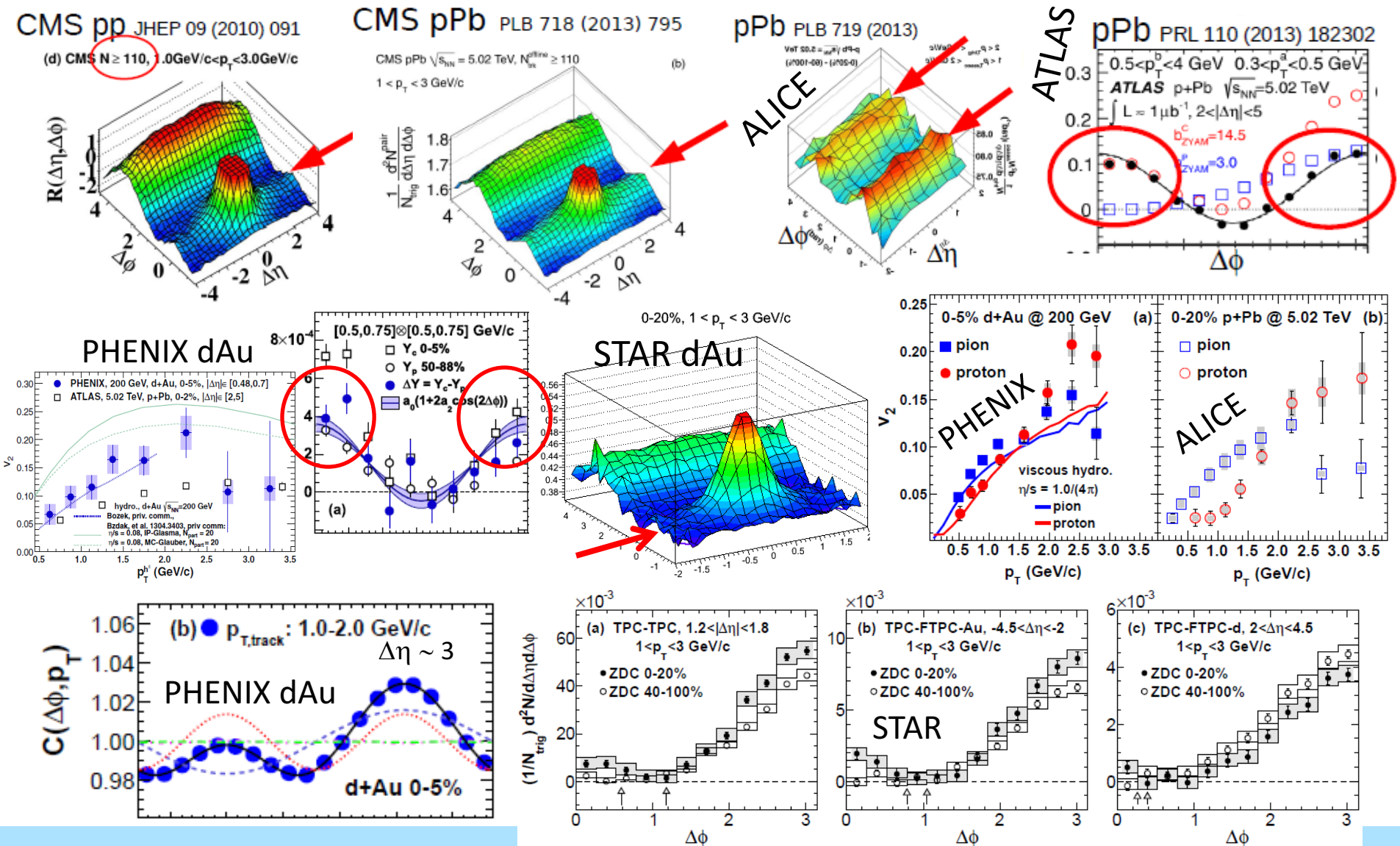
BNL press release 2005
Nearly perfect fluid (sQGP)



But actually very little energy dependence

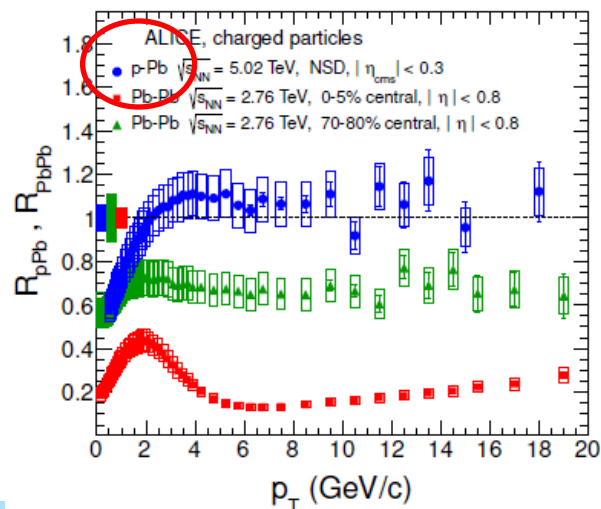
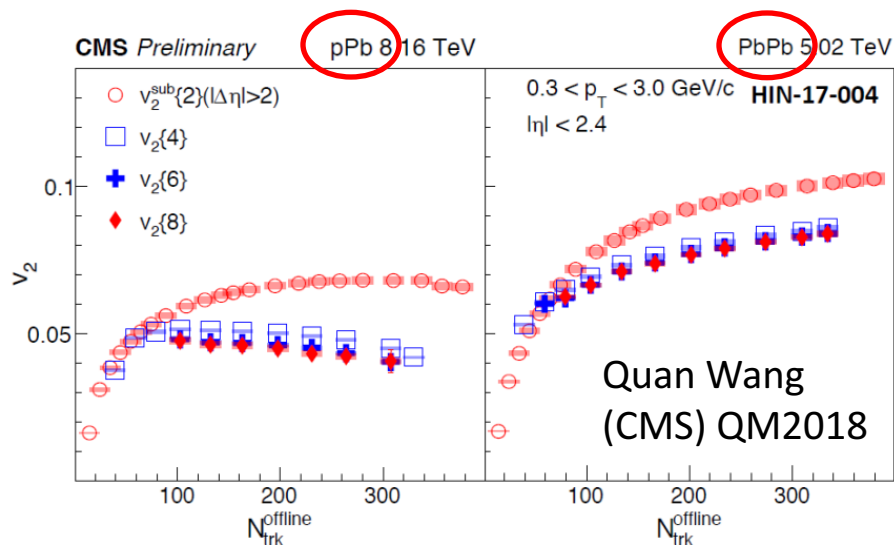
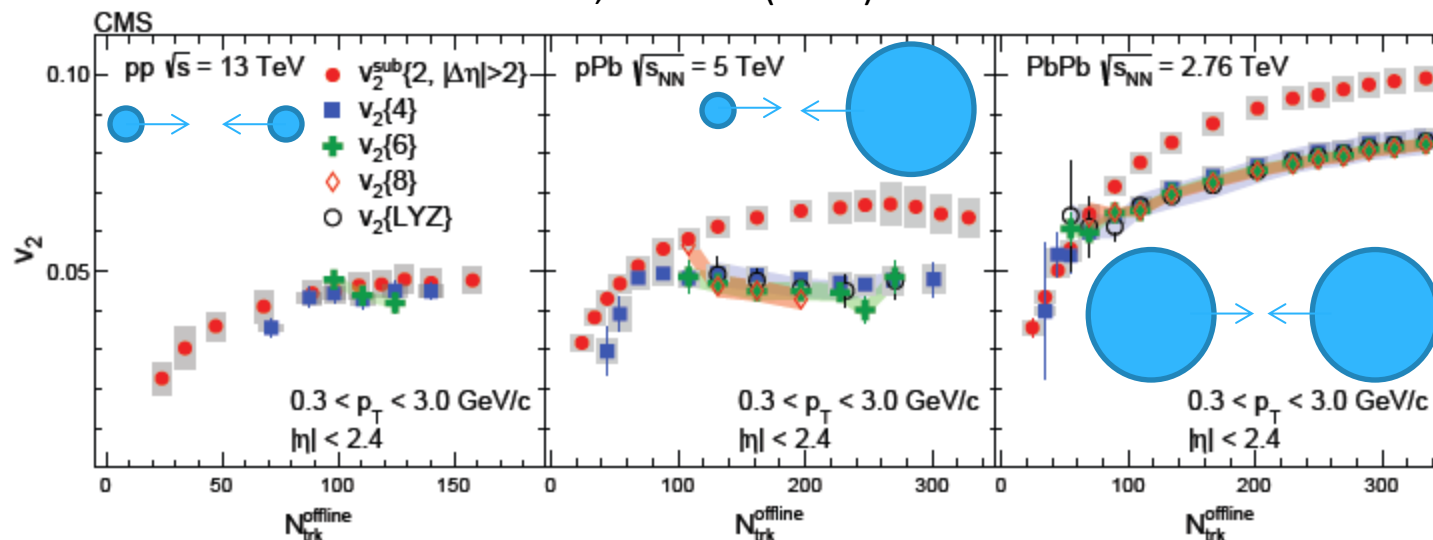


“flow” everywhere, even in small systems



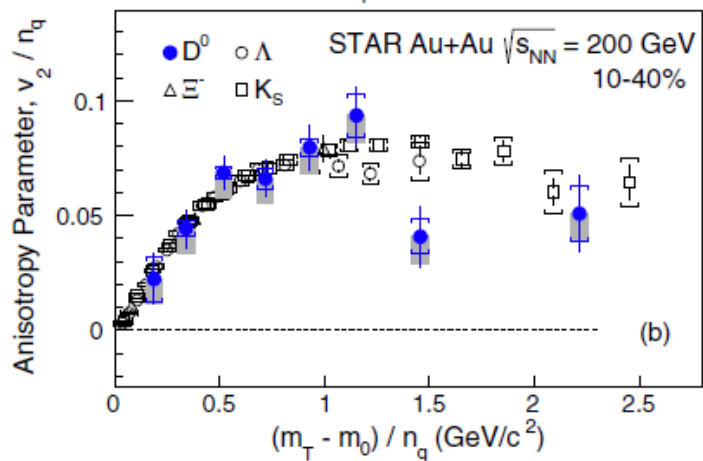
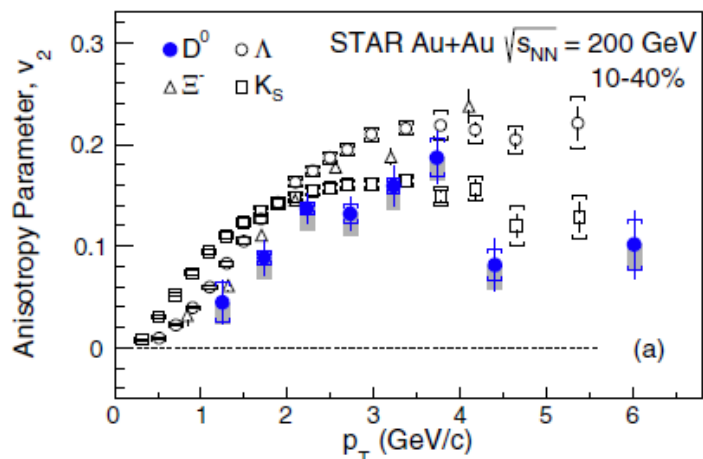
“Flow” in small systems, but no energy loss

CMS, PLB 765 (2017) 193

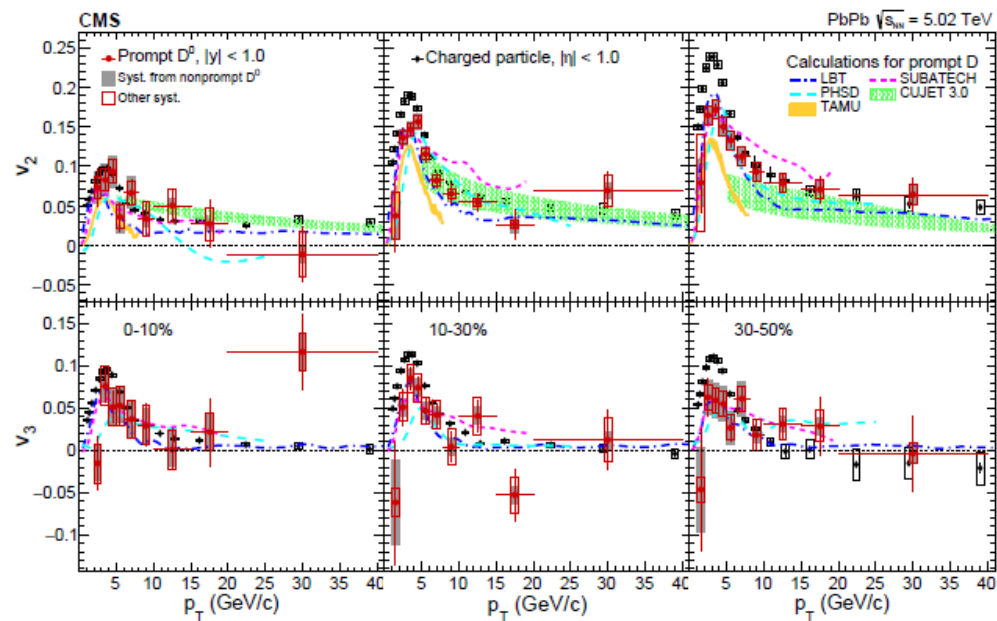


Heavy flavor “flows”

STAR, PRL 118, 212301 (2017)

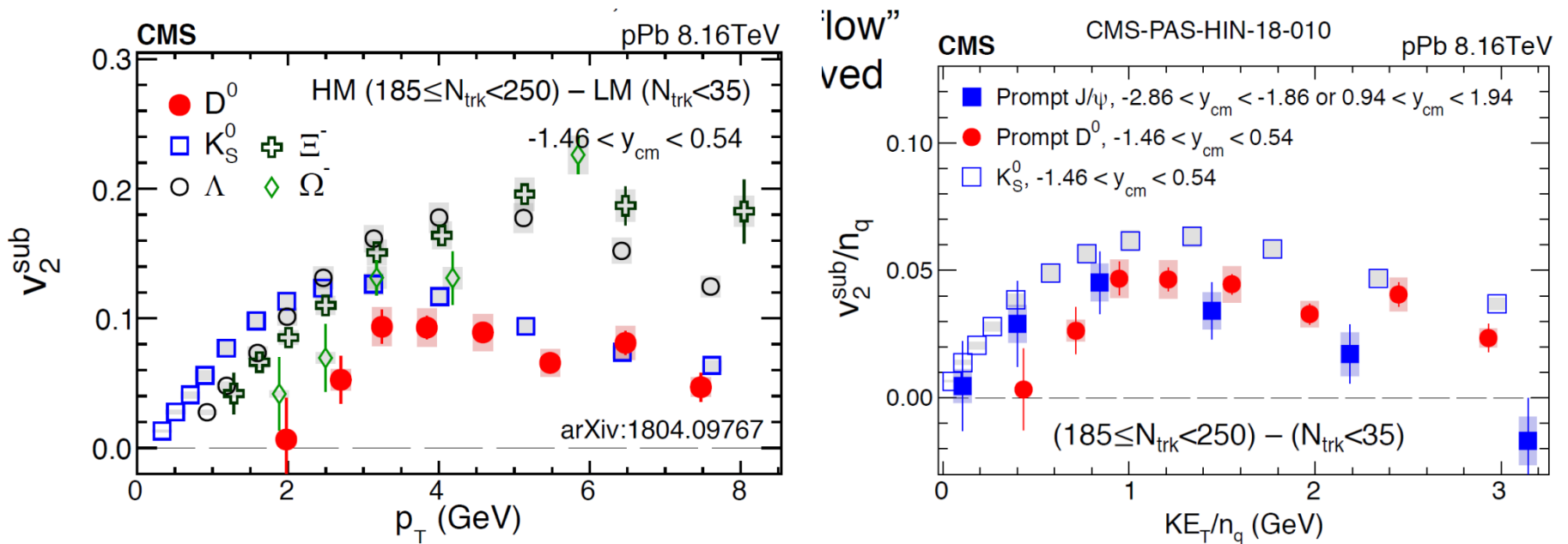


CMS, arXiv:1708.03497



Heavy flavor flows, AND in small systems

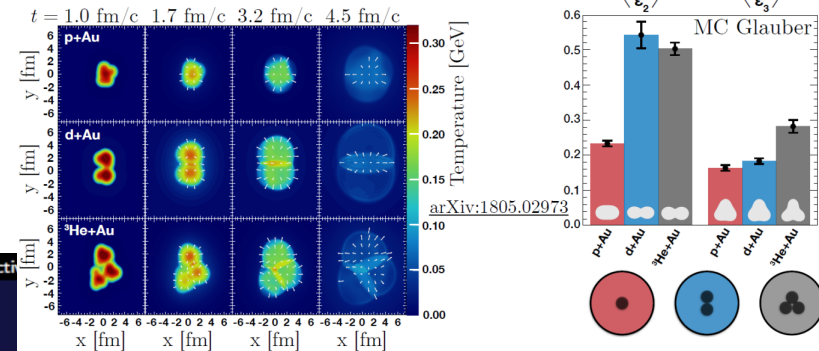
Wei Li (CMS), QM 2018



- Significant D^0 v_2 , follow mass ordering at low p_T
- D^0 similar to K^0 s (both mesons) at higher p_T
- Significant charmonium v_2

QGP droplets?

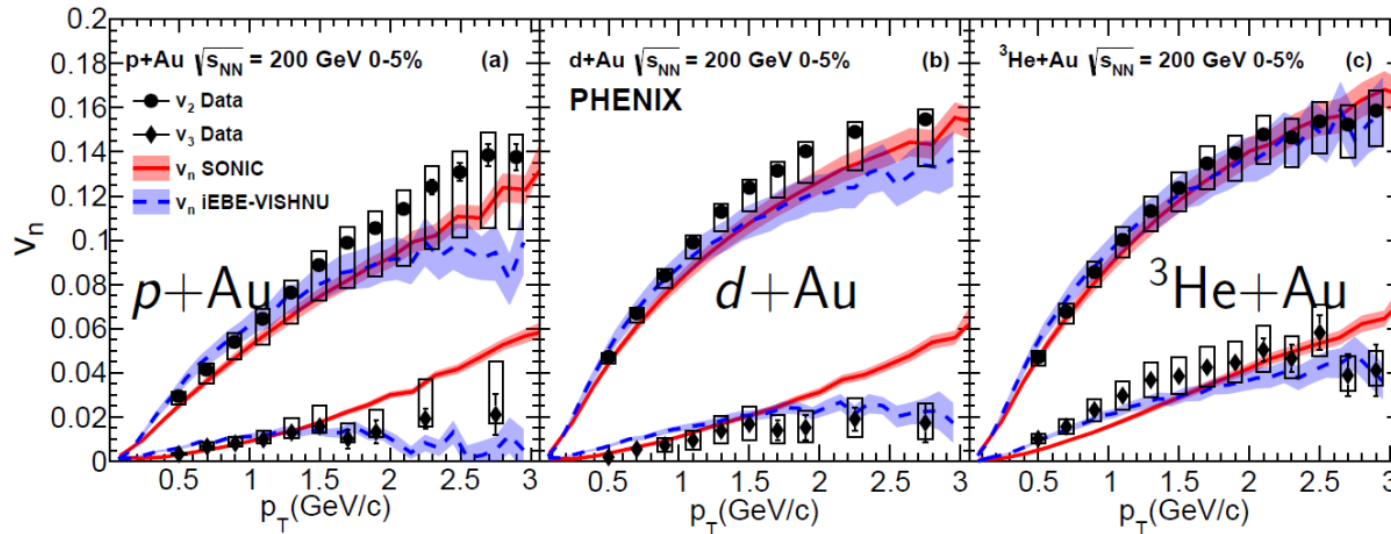
Belmont, QM 2018 PHENIX Highlights
Morrow (PHENIX) QM 2018



High- p_T hadrons Heavy flavor Collectivity

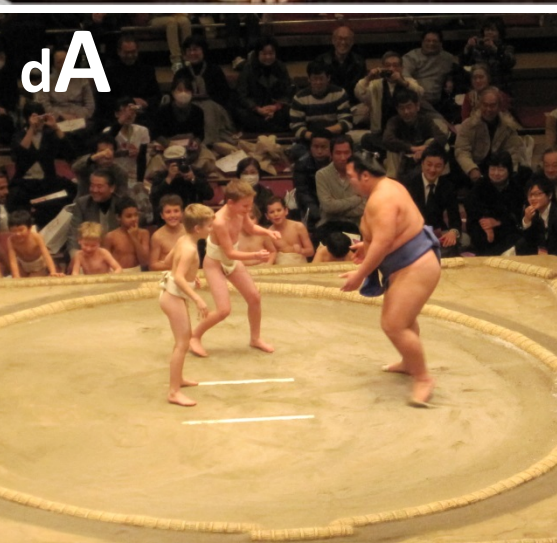
Testing hydro by controlling system geometry

Sylvia Morrow, Tuesday 15/05/2018, 11:10 arXiv:1805.02973, submitted to Nature Physics



v_2 and v_3 vs p_T described very well by hydro in all three systems
—Strongly suggests QGP droplets in hydro evolution

FLOW EVERYWHERE



Light quark flows, heavy quark flows



Different views

QGP in pp/pA? As strongly interacting?



[Escape the room](#)

Materials

Mostly based on:

- L. He, T. Edmonds**, Z.-W. Lin, F. Liu, D. Molnar, F. Wang Phys. Lett. **B735** (2016) 506
H. Li, L. He, Z.-W. Lin, D. Molnar, F. Wang, W. Xie Phys. Rev. **C93** (2016) 051901(R)
H. Li, L. He, Z.-W. Lin, D. Molnar, F. Wang, W. Xie Phys. Rev. **C96** (2017) 014901
Z.-W. Lin, L. He, T. Edmonds, F. Liu, D. Molnar, F. Wang Nucl. Phys. **A956** (2016) 316
H. Li, Z.-W. Lin, , F. Wang J.Phys.**779** (2017) 012063, SQM16
Z.-W. Lin, H. Li, F. Wang charm anisotropy, SQM 2017
H. Li, Z.-W. Lin, F. Wang arXiv:1804.02681

Parton cascade history

AMPT can describe bulk data well...
both AA and pA



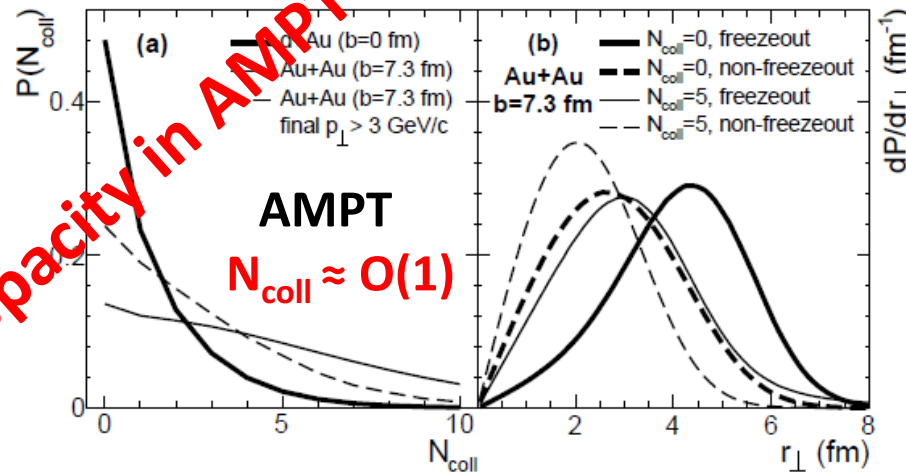
- Get into transport code
- Follow cascading history, microscopic interactions
- Investigate how parton v_n is generated

$$L_{\text{mfp}} = 1/\rho\sigma$$

Opacity:

$$L/L_{\text{mfp}} = \rho\sigma L$$

Low opacity in AMPT



$$dN/dy \sim 1000$$

$$\rho \sim 1000/\pi R^2 \tau$$

$$\sim 6 \text{ fm}^{-3}$$

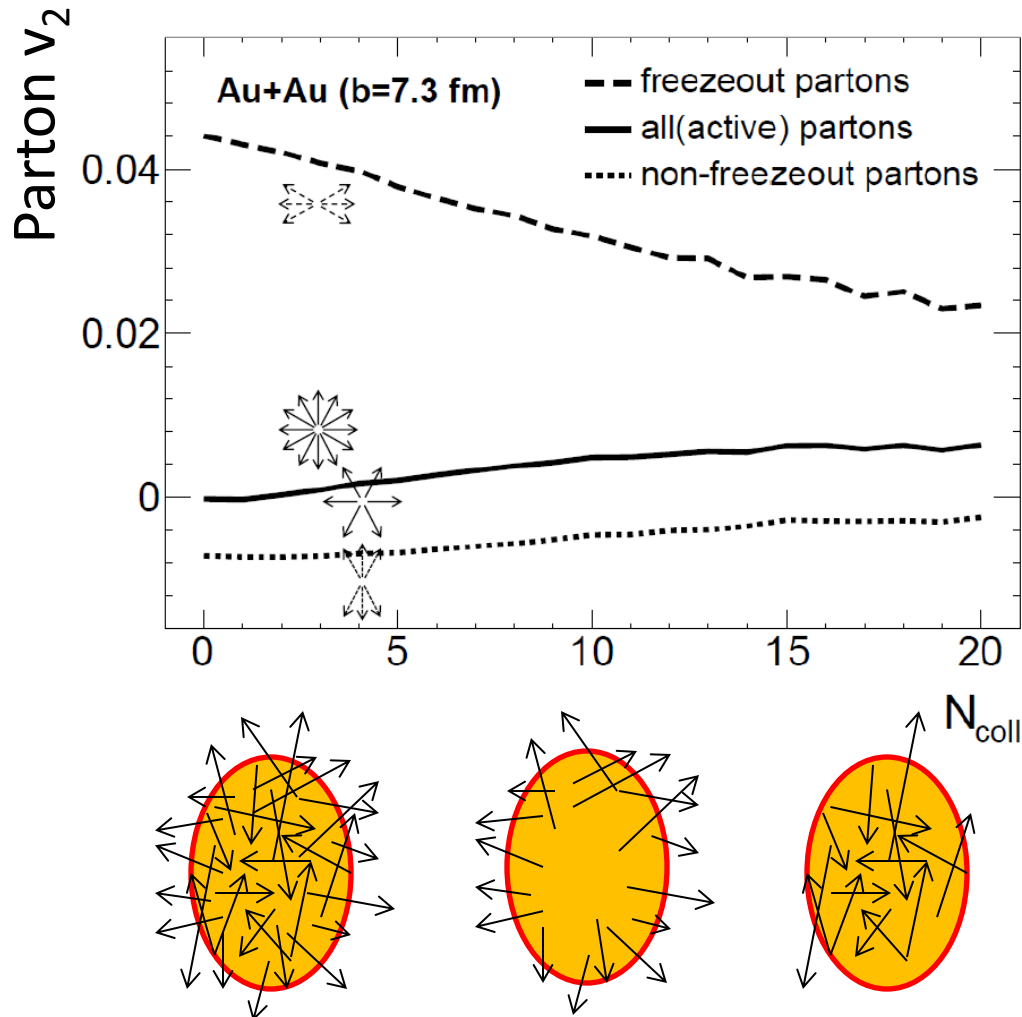
$$\rho\sigma L \sim$$

$$6 \text{ fm}^{-3} * 3 \text{ mb} * 3 \text{ fm}$$

$$\sim 5$$

How is anisotropy developed in AMPT?

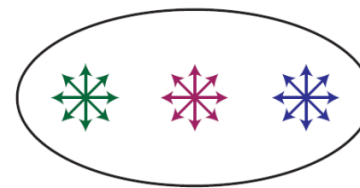
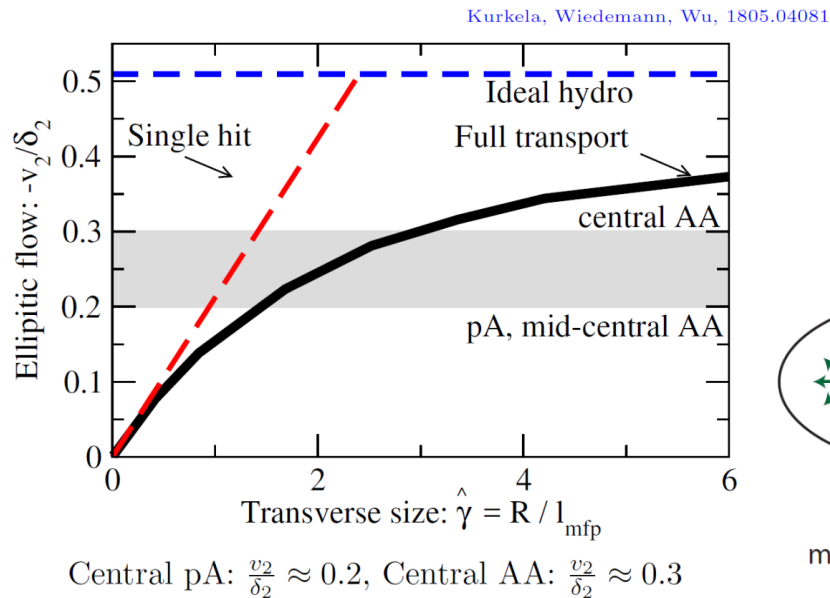
L. He, T. Edmonds, Z.-W. Lin, F. Liu, D. Molnar, FW, arXiv:1502.05572



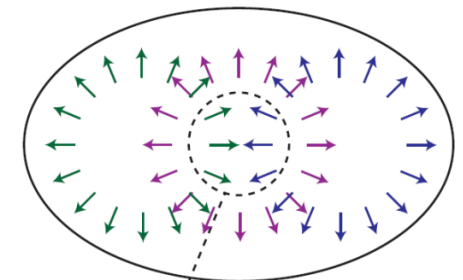
- Partons freeze out with large positive v_2 , even when they do not interact at all.
- This is due to larger escape probability along x than y .
- Remaining partons start off with negative v_2 , and become \sim isotropic ($v_2 \sim 0$) after one more collision.
- Process repeats itself.
- Similar for v_3 .
- Similar for d+Au collisions.

Analytical/numerical kinetic transport

Kurkela, QM 2018



Initially isotropic momentum distribution



More particles moving in $\pm x$ -direction

- ▶ Closer to single hit regime than ideal hydro

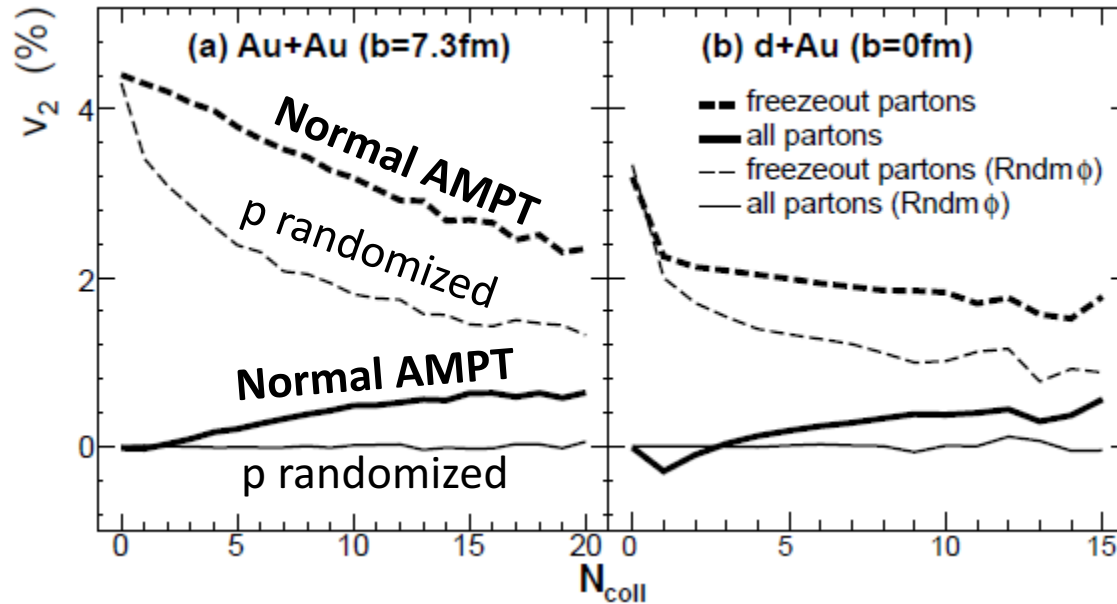
$$\eta/s \gtrsim 0.5$$

- ▶ Initial condition initially isotropic in momentum space, anisotropic in coordinate space
- ▶ Free streaming makes local patches anisotropic
- ▶ Collisions isotropize the distribution in the center
 \Rightarrow Reduction of horizontal movers and increase of vertical movers

Related closely to *anisotropic parton escape mechanism*, He et al. PLB753 (2016)

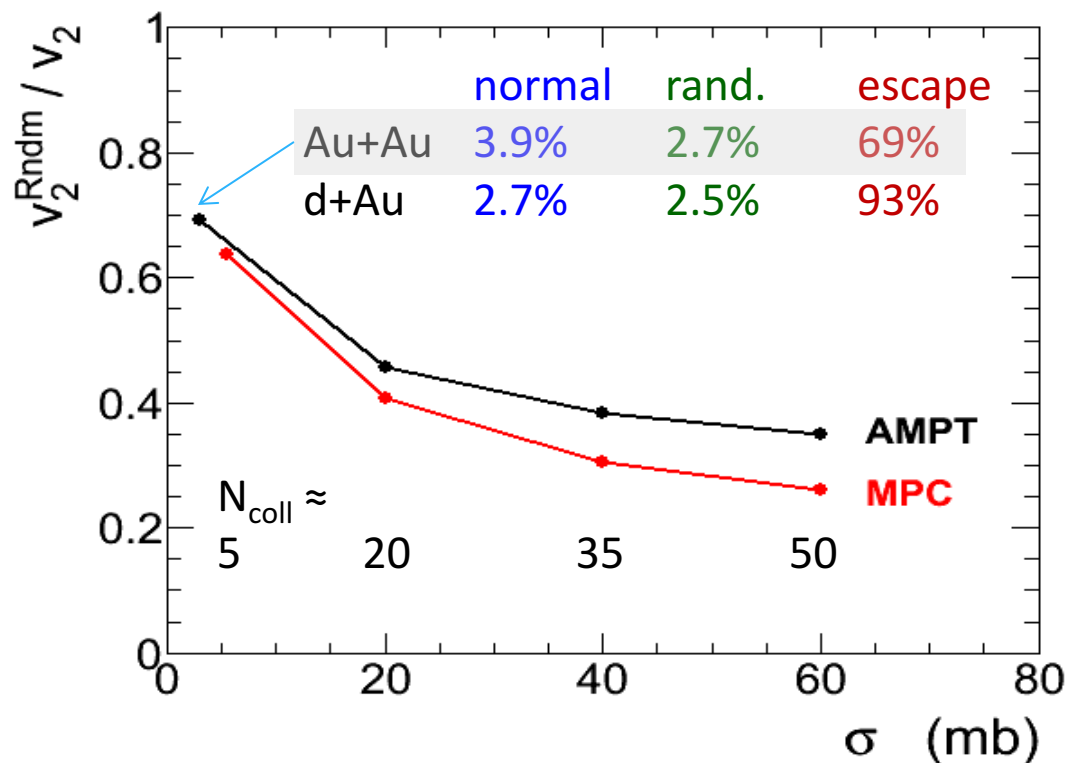
Majority anisotropy from escape

L. He, T. Edmonds, Z.-W. Lin, F. Liu, D. Molnar, FW, arXiv:1502.05572, PLB753(2016)506



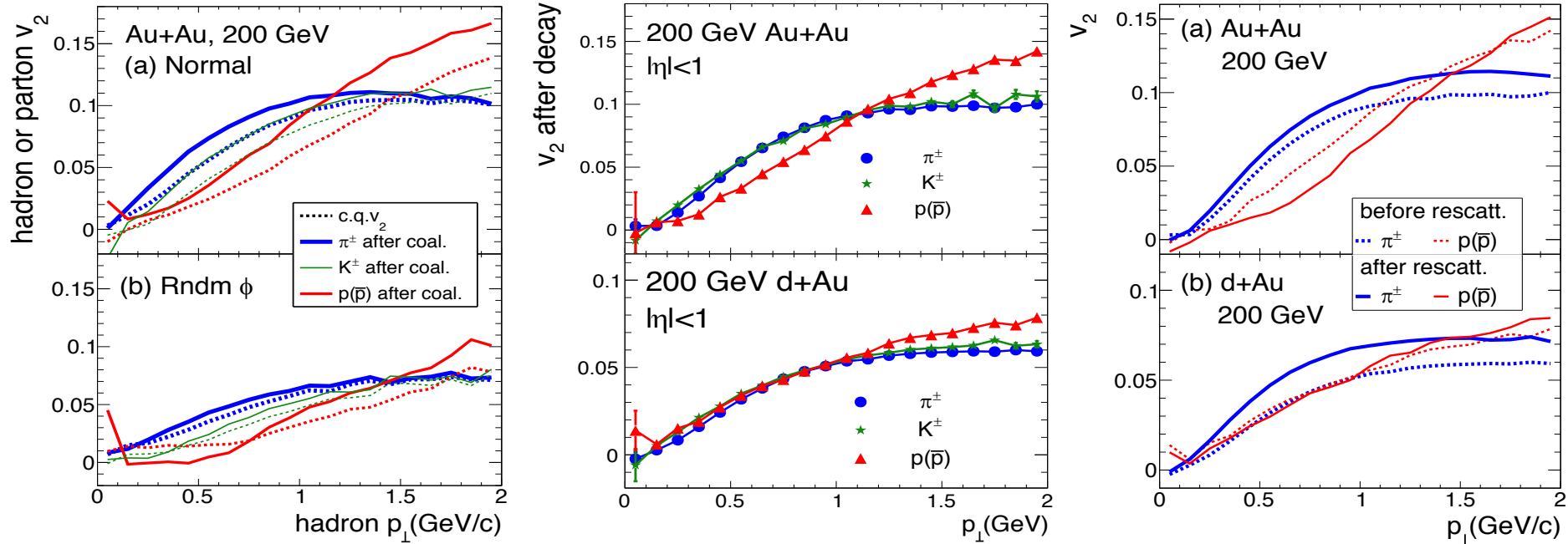
- **Majority of anisotropy comes from the final-step “escape” mechanism.**
- The small dynamic v_2 is result of hydrodynamic pressure push. It is this flow that is most relevant. However it plays a minor role.
- **May explain small system data and weak energy dependence.**

Relative escape contribution



- **Escape contribution still sizeable even at x10 larger x-sections.**

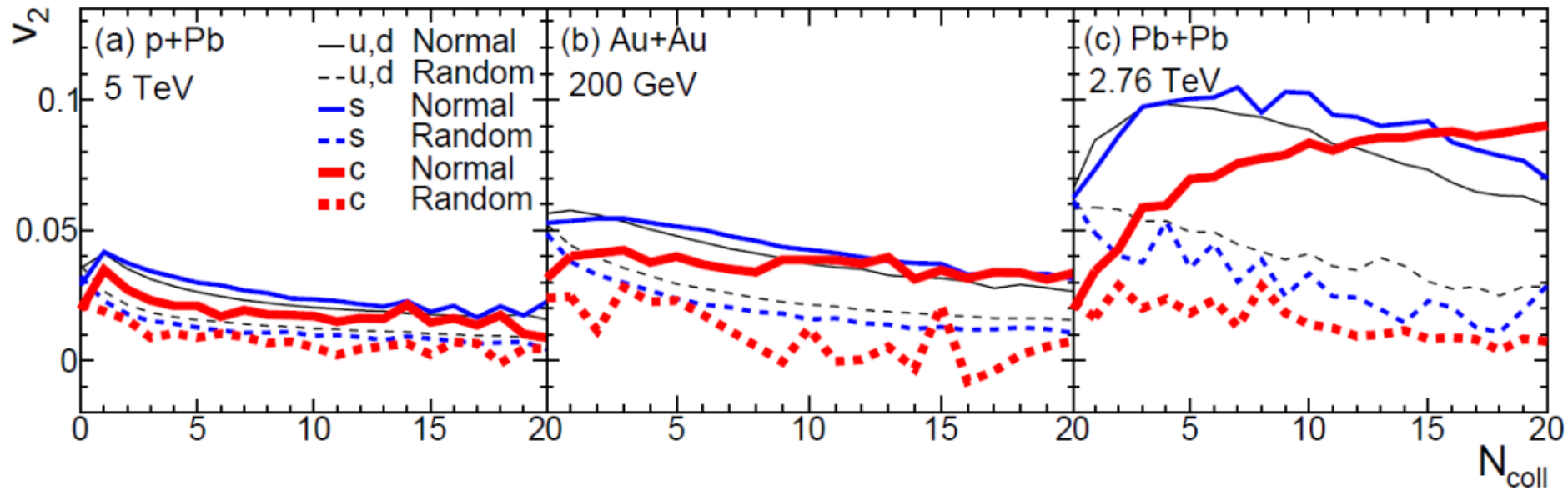
Mass splitting from hadronic rescattering



H.L. Li et al, Phys. Rev. C 93,051901(R)(2016)

The mass splitting is generated by coalescence, reduced by decays, and then significantly increased by hadronic scatterings.

The escape mechanism: *flavor dependence*



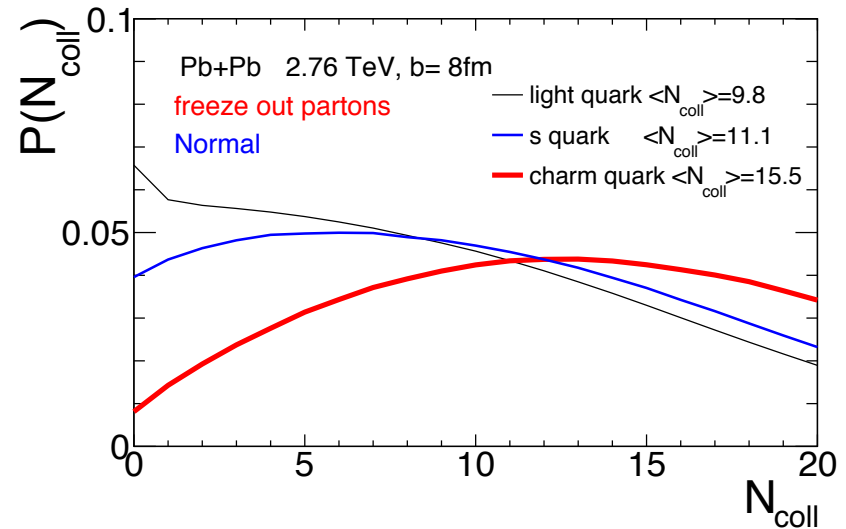
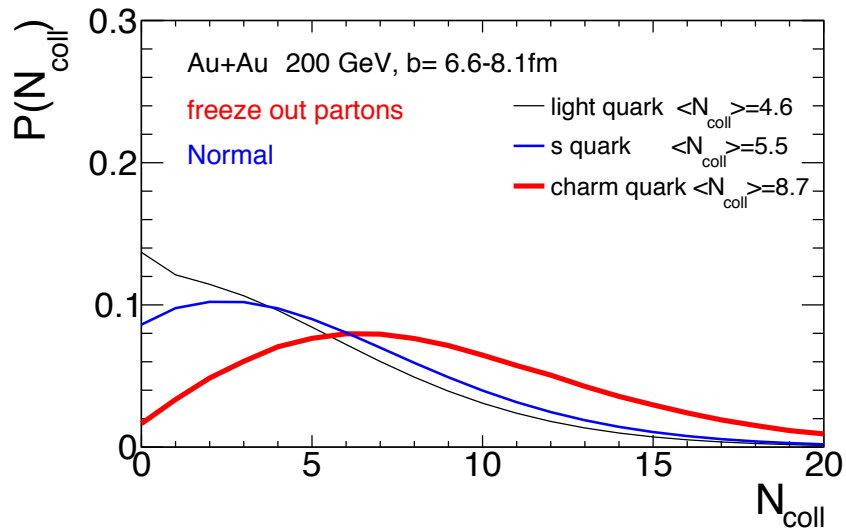
Mass ordering in $v_2(N_{\text{coll}})$:

$v_2c < v_2s < v_2ud$ at small N_{coll}

$v_2c > v_2s > v_2ud$ at large N_{coll} , reversed

Escape mechanism is at work for all flavors

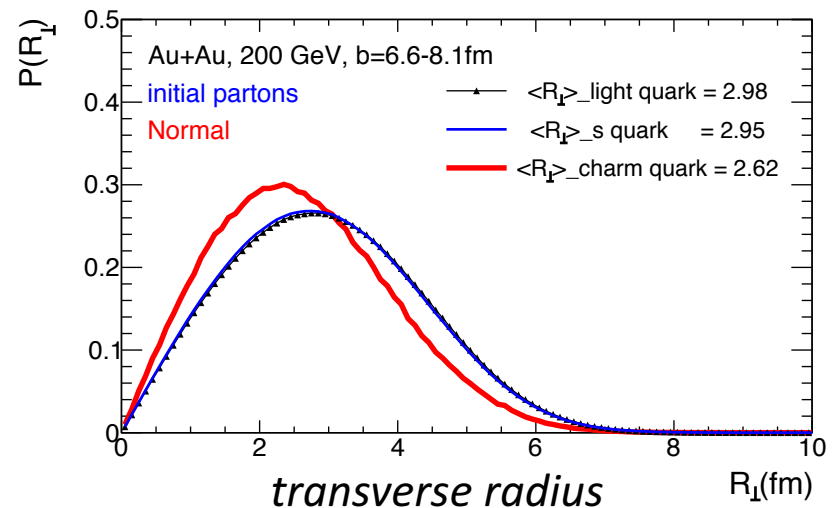
The escape mechanism: *flavor dependence*



Quark mass ordering in the N_{coll} distribution
for all 3 systems:

$$\langle N_{\text{coll}} \rangle_c > \langle N_{\text{coll}} \rangle_s > \langle N_{\text{coll}} \rangle_{ud}$$

Related to the initial
(velocity &) spatial distribution



Toy model: *flavor dependence*

Initial $v_2 = 0$

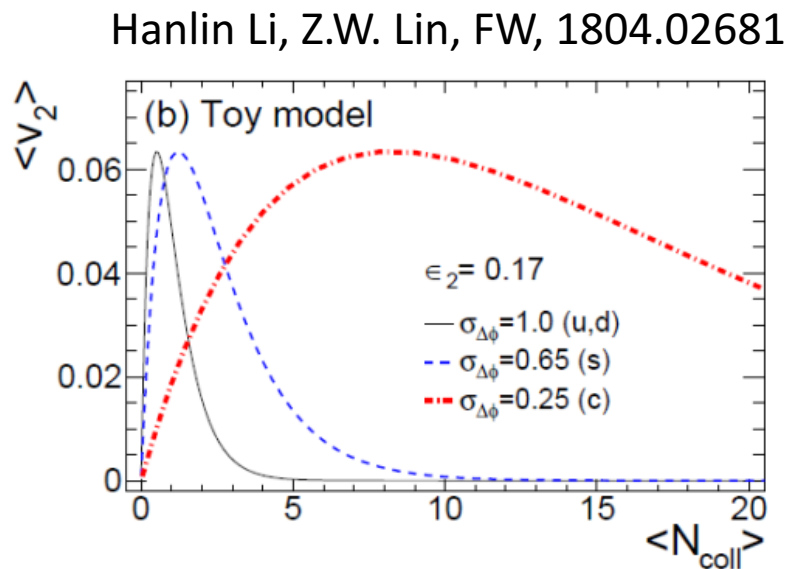
The parton azimuth ϕ_f after $\langle N_{coll} \rangle$ collisions

$$\phi_f = \phi_i + Gaus(\sqrt{N_{coll}}(\phi_i) \cdot \Delta\theta)$$

$$N_{coll}(\phi_i) = \langle N_{coll} \rangle \cdot (1 - 2\varepsilon_2 \cdot \cos(2\phi_i))$$

$\Delta\theta$ parton average azimuthal deflection after each collision

Final $v_2 = \langle \cos(2\phi_f) \rangle$



With small N_{coll} , light quark $v_2 >$ charm v_2 . With large N_{coll} , it is the opposite.
This is because light quarks are more randomized after each collision due to the large angle deflection.

Heavy quark flow

Followed the complete parton collision history to study light/strange/charm quark v_2 in AMPT

$\langle v_2 \rangle_{\text{random-}\phi} / \langle v_2 \rangle_{\text{normal}}$ ratio \sim fraction from pure escape:

	dAu@200GeV b=0 fm	pPb@5TeV b=0 fm	AuAu@200GeV b=6.6-8.1 fm	PbPb@2.76TeV b=8 fm
u/d	93%(all quarks)	73%	66%	43%
s		59%	47%	27%
c		57%	22%	9%

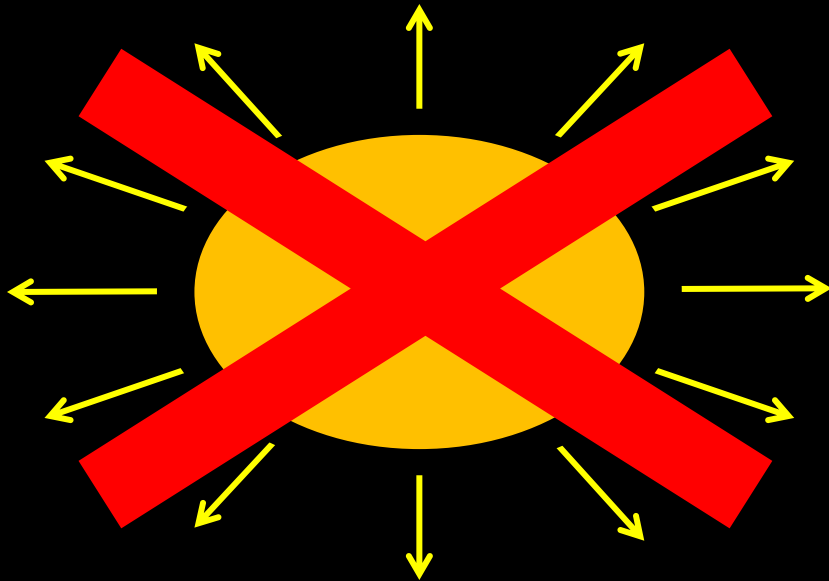
Light quark v_2 :

escape more important for AuAu@RHIC, pPb@LHC, and smaller/lower-energy systems;
hydro-type flow more important for PbPb@LHC, although still significant escape contribution.

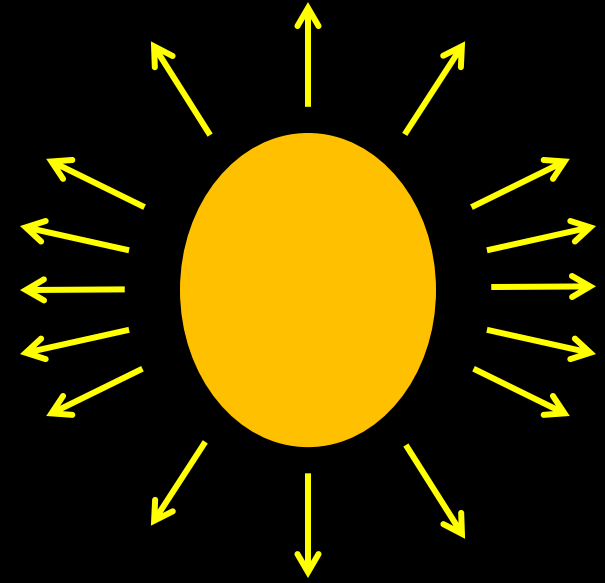
Charm v_2 in AuAu@RHIC-200GeV & PbPb@LHC: mostly comes from **collective flow**

→ heavy quarks are more sensitive probes of collective flow & the medium

Anisotropy mechanism



**Expansion, flow
Hydro paradigm**



**No expansion
But escape**

DATA

pp, pA, AA collisions

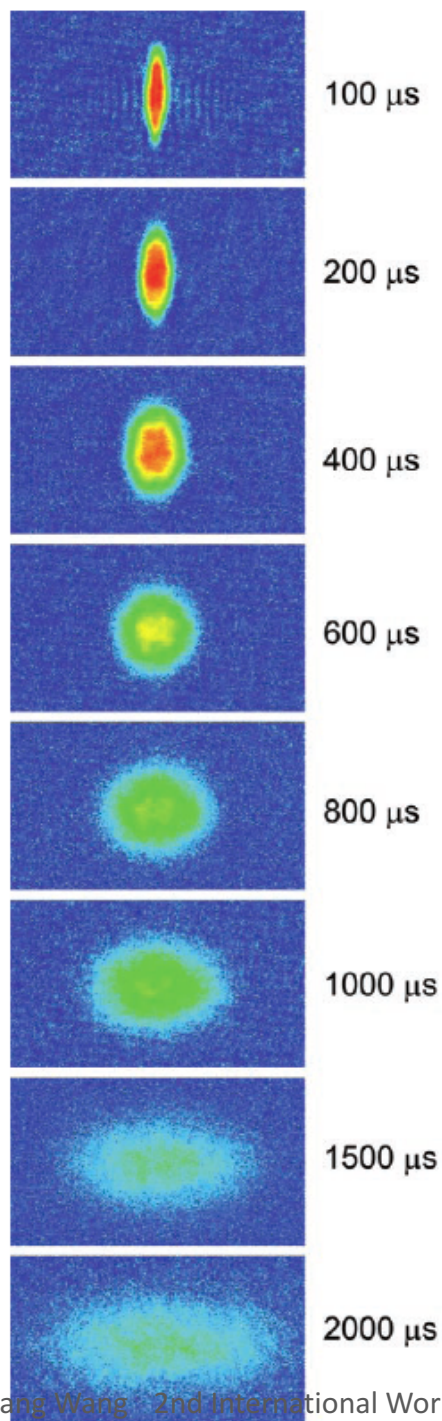
Low density/opacity
Mundane physics

Perfect liquid
Hydrodynamics

Need experimental test!

Cold atom experiment

K. M. O'Hara *et al.*, Science 298, 2179 (2002)



**Large elliptic anisotropy
in cold atom systems
consistent with hydrodynamic flow**

Opacity

Mean free path: $L_{\text{mfp}} = 1/\rho\sigma$, $N_{\text{coll}} = \text{Opacity} = L/L_{\text{mfp}} = \rho\sigma L$

Cold atom system:

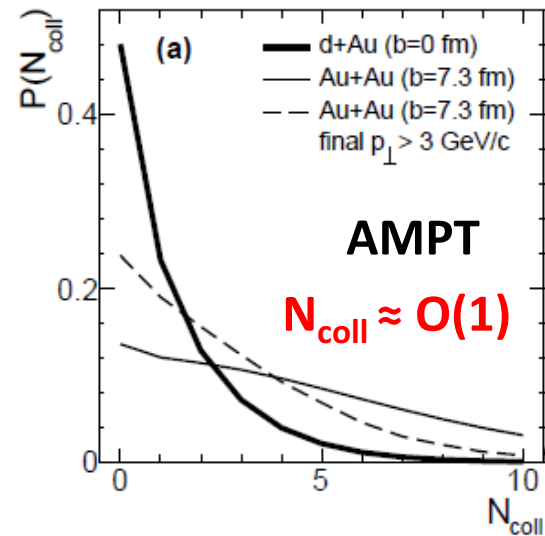
$$\begin{aligned}
 a &\approx 5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ cm} \\
 \sigma_{\text{int}} &\approx 10^{-8} \text{ cm}^2 \\
 \rho &\approx 5 \times 10^{13} / \text{cm}^3 \\
 L_{\text{mfp}} &\approx 2 \times 10^{-6} \text{ cm} \\
 L &\approx 2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ cm} \\
 \mathbf{L/L_{\text{mfp}} \approx 1000}
 \end{aligned}$$

Very high opacity for the cold atom system

Indeed hydro!

Heavy ion collision:

$$\begin{aligned}
 dN/dy &\sim 1000, \rho \sim 1000/\pi R^2 \tau \sim 6 \text{ fm}^{-3} \\
 \mathbf{\rho\sigma L \sim 7 \text{ fm}^{-3} * 3 \text{ mb} * 3 \text{ fm} \sim 5}
 \end{aligned}$$

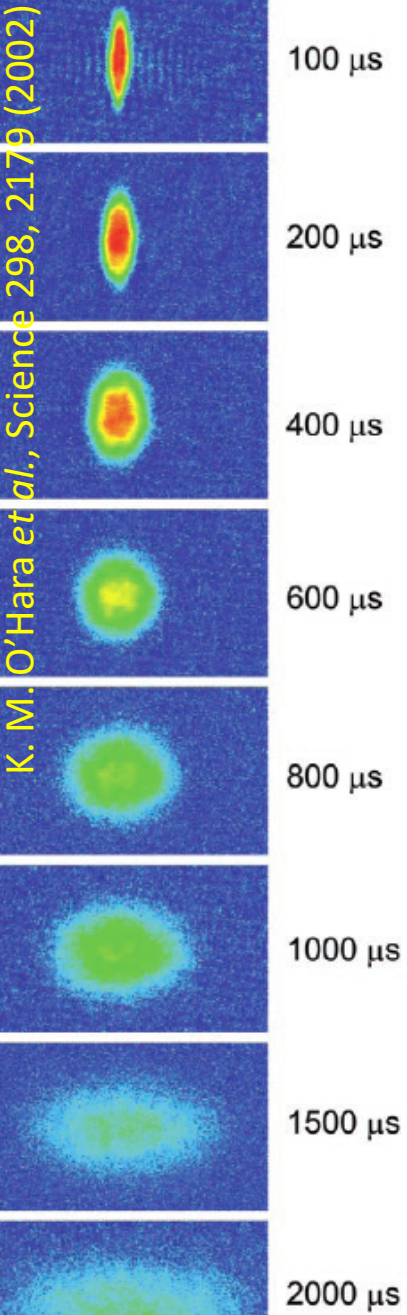


Low opacity in AMPT

Hydro??

K. M. O'Hara et al., Science 298, 2179 (2002)

To emulate QGP with cold atoms



$\rho\sigma_{\text{int}}L$: reduce opacity by 10^3
 $1000 \rightarrow 1$

Opacity: $\rho\sigma L$

$$a \approx 5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ cm}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{int}} \approx 10^{-8} \text{ cm}^2$$

$$\rho \approx 5 \times 10^{13} / \text{cm}^3$$

$$L_{\text{mfp}} \approx 2 \times 10^{-6} \text{ cm}$$

$$L \approx 2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ cm}$$

$$L/L_{\text{mfp}} \approx \text{1000}$$

$0-1$

$\times 10^{-3}$

Very high opacity for
the cold atom system

Low opacity for the
cold atom system

Summary

- The **escape mechanism** can simultaneously, most naturally explain v_n in small/large systems, at low/high energies, for light/heavy flavors.
- Cannot conclude from flow measurements that we have a “nearly perfect fluid.”
Our paradigm **“nearly perfect fluid” may be wrong.**
- A question we should all ask ourselves:
What fundamental physics have we learned?