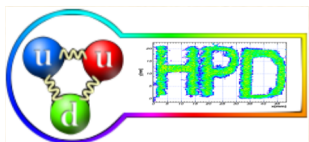




*Considerations on the suppression
of charged particles
in high energy heavy ion collisions*

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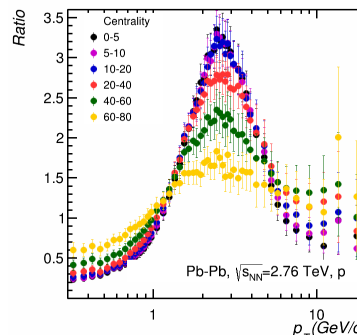
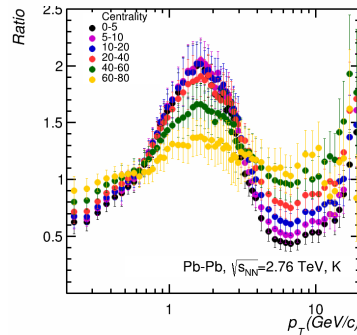
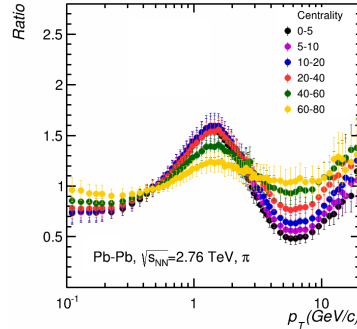
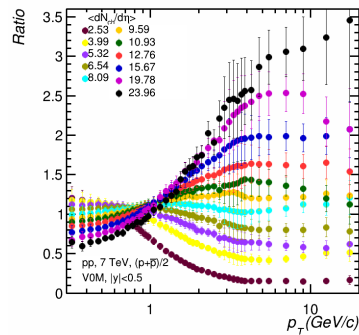
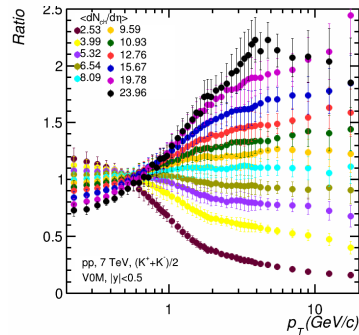
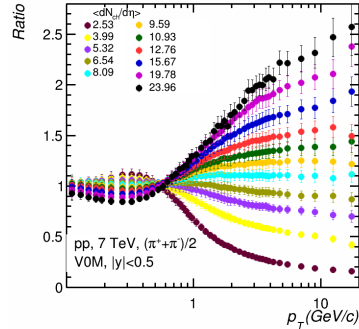
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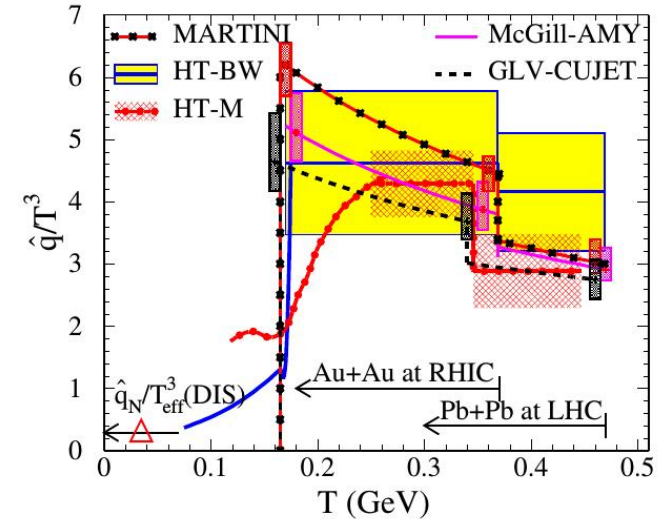
Suppression as a tomographic probe for deconfined matter studies

- Proposed by Bjorken ~ 40 years ago for hadron-hadron collisions
FERMILAB-PUB-82-059-THY, 1982
- confirmed in heavy ion collisions by many experiments, for different energies and system size
- interpreted and estimated by many theoretical models

(not yet confirmed)



J. Liao and E. Shuryak, PRL 102(2009)202302



JET Collaboration, Phys. Rev. C90(2014)014909 and references therein

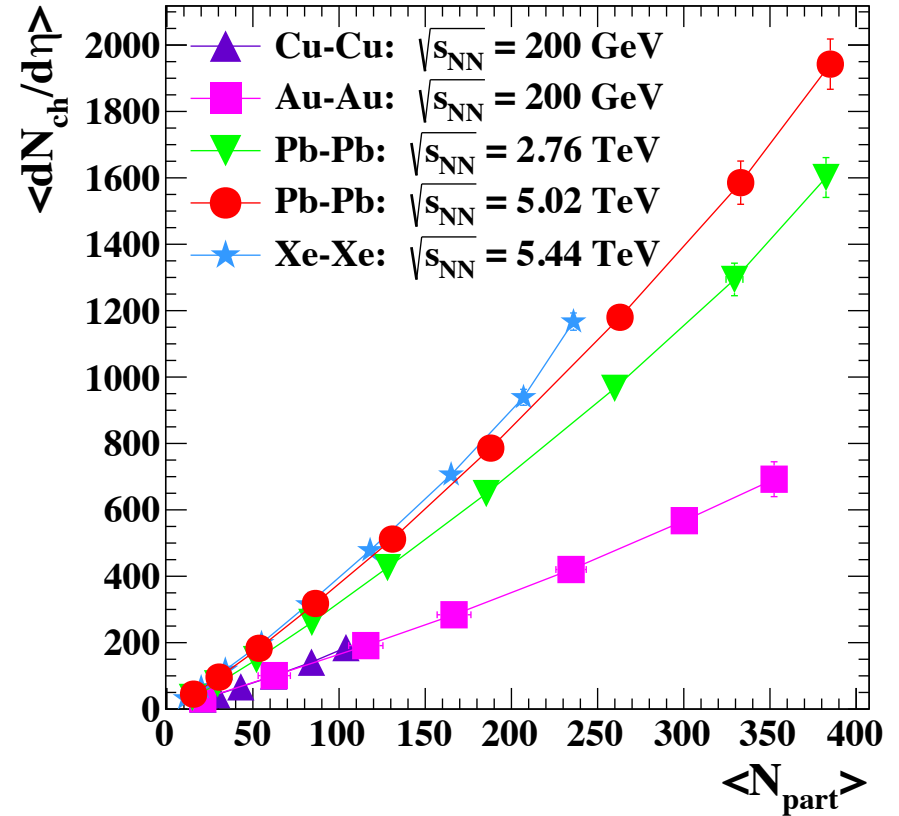
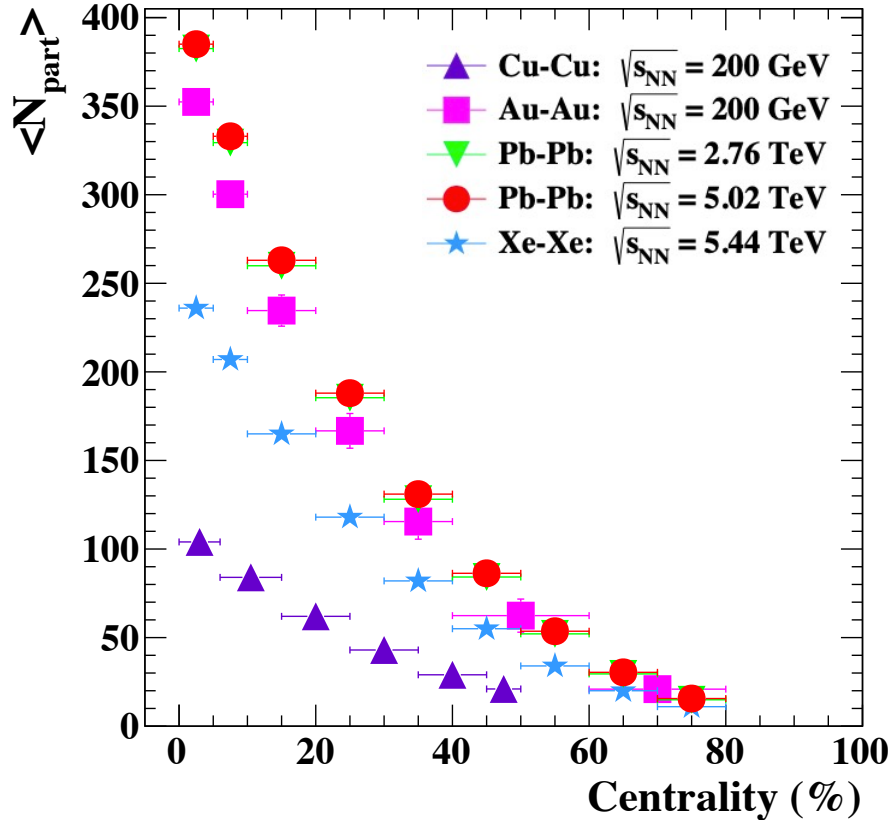
J.Liao, S.Shi and M.Gyulassy, Chin. Phys. C43(209)044101

However, a proper description of the parton energy loss in the non-equilibrium expanding deconfined matter for the intermediate p_T range remains a challenging task

$$Ratio = \frac{\left[\frac{d^2N}{dydp_T} / \left\langle \frac{dN_{ch}}{d\eta} \right\rangle \right]_{cen,mult}}{\left[\frac{d^2N}{dydp_T} / \left\langle \frac{dN_{ch}}{d\eta} \right\rangle \right]_{pp,MB}}$$

Centrality, $\langle N_{part} \rangle$, $\langle dN_{ch}/d\eta \rangle$ correlations

(based on the Glauber MC approach)



- PHOBOS Collaboration, *PRL* 96(2006)212301
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- ALICE Collaboration, *Phys.Lett. B* 788(2019)166
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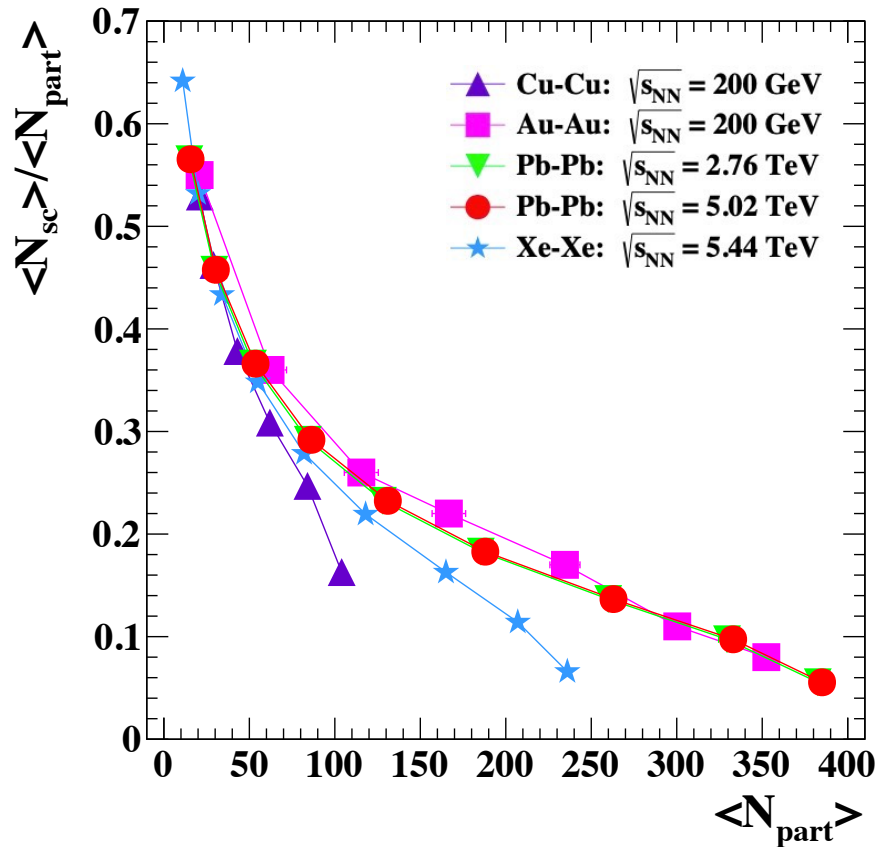
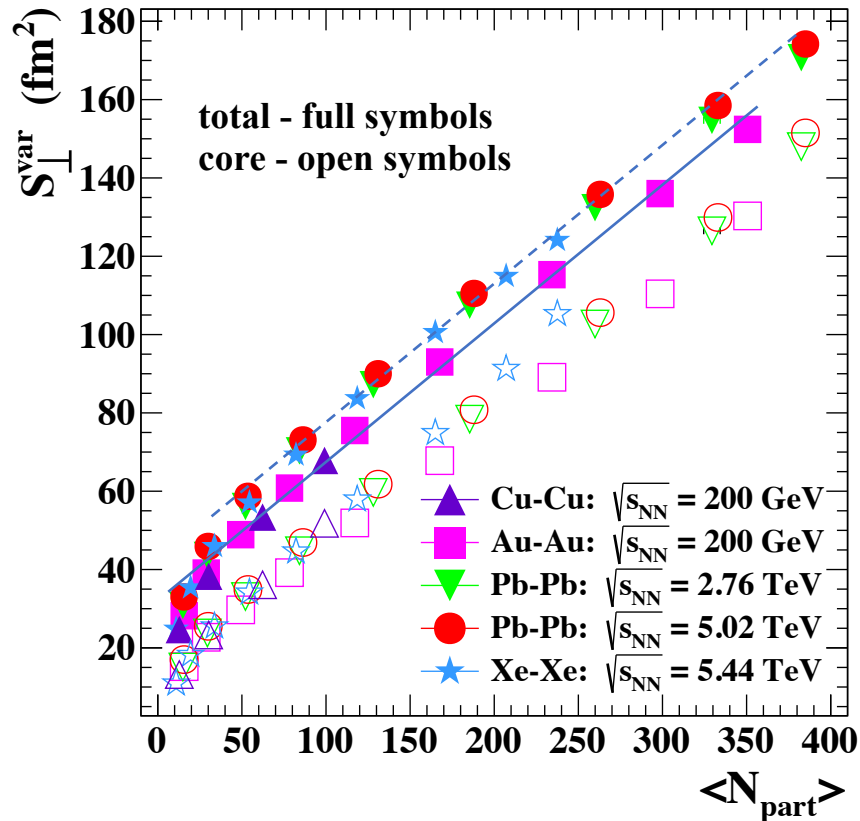
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- PHENIX Collaboration, *Phys. Rev. C* 93(2016)024901
- ALICE Collaboration, *Phys. Rev. C* 88(2013)044910

Transverse overlapping area

Percentage of nucleons undergoing a single collision (Corona)

(based on the Glauber MC approach)

$$S_{\perp}^{\text{var}} \sim (\langle \sigma_x^2 \rangle \langle \sigma_y^2 \rangle - \langle \sigma_{xy} \rangle^2)^{1/2}$$



- $S_{\perp}^{\text{var}} - \langle N_{\text{part}} \rangle$ linear dependence
- system size independent
 - the slopes at RHIC and LHC the same
 - a small difference in the offset of ~ 10 fm²

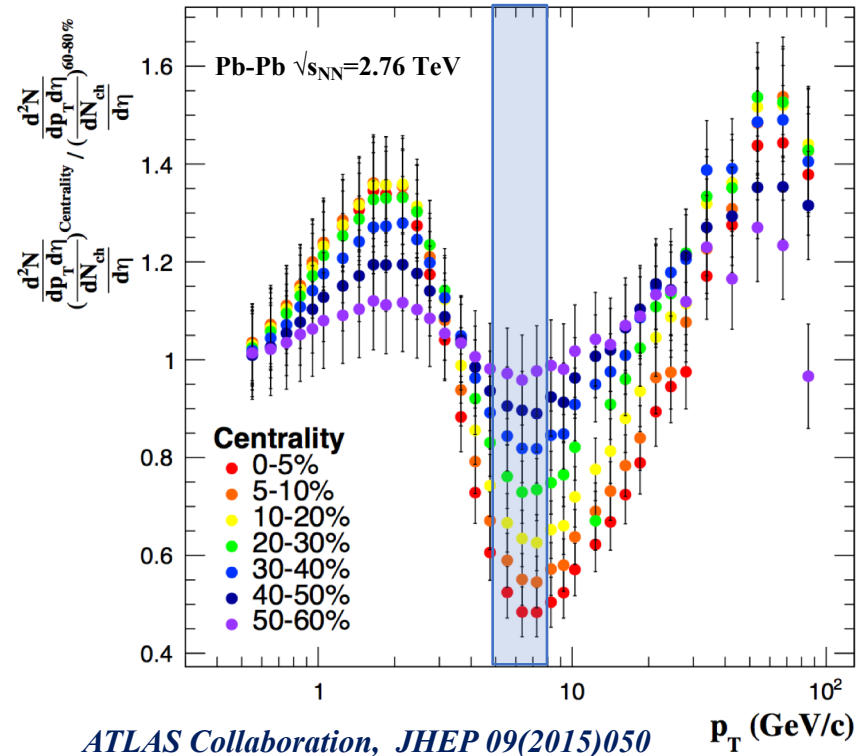
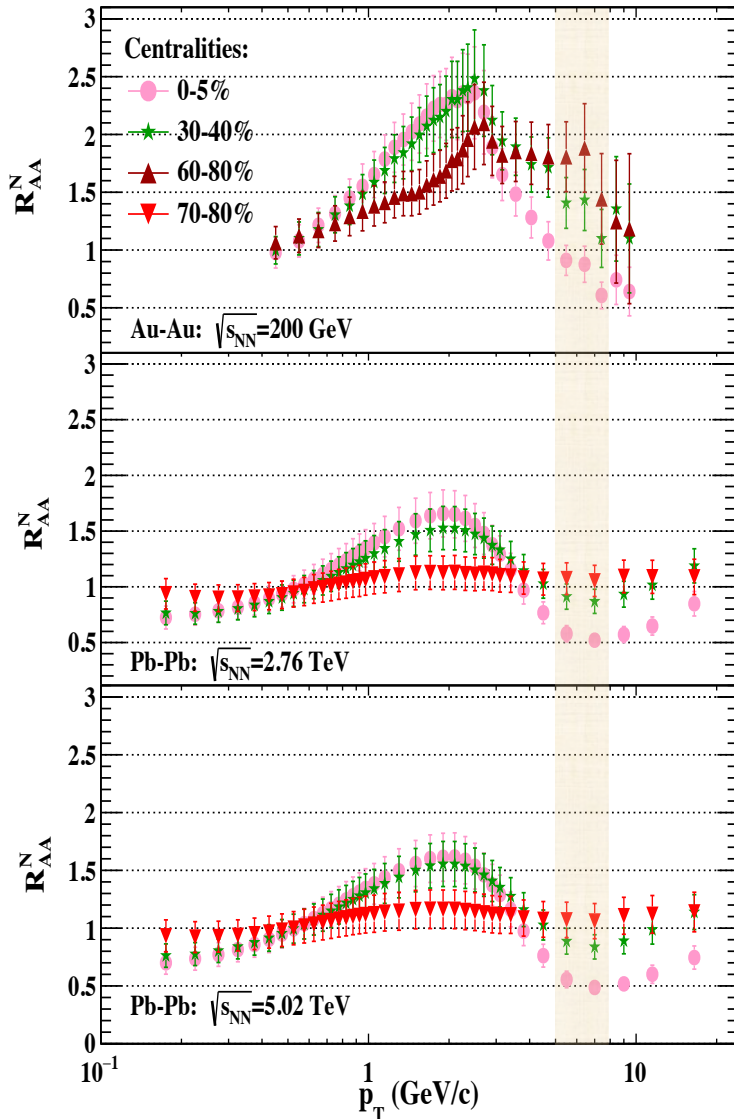
- Peripheral collisions - large Corona percentage
- system size independent
- Central collisions - low Corona percentage
- large system size dependence

Why $5 \text{ GeV}/c < p_T < 8 \text{ GeV}/c$ range?

$$R_{AA}^N = \frac{[\frac{d^2N}{d\eta dp_T} / \langle \frac{dN_{ch}}{d\eta} \rangle]_{cen}}{[\frac{d^2N}{d\eta dp_T} / \langle \frac{dN_{ch}}{d\eta} \rangle]_{pp,MB}}$$

$$R_{CP}^N = \frac{[\frac{d^2N}{d\eta dp_T} / \langle \frac{dN_{ch}}{d\eta} \rangle]_{cen}}{[\frac{d^2N}{d\eta dp_T} / \langle \frac{dN_{ch}}{d\eta} \rangle]_{peripheral}}$$

charged particles

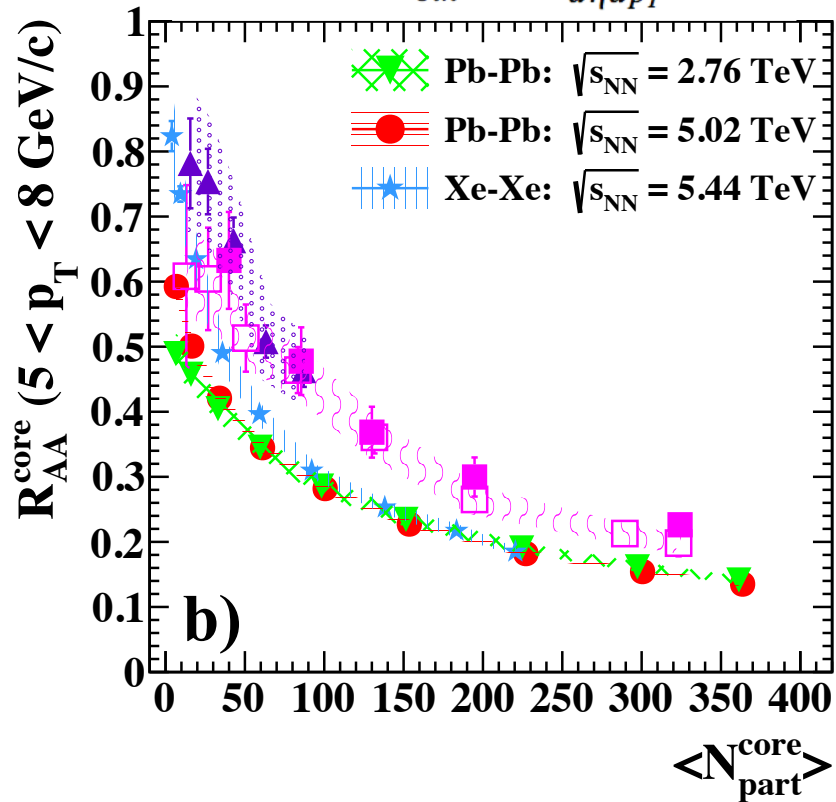
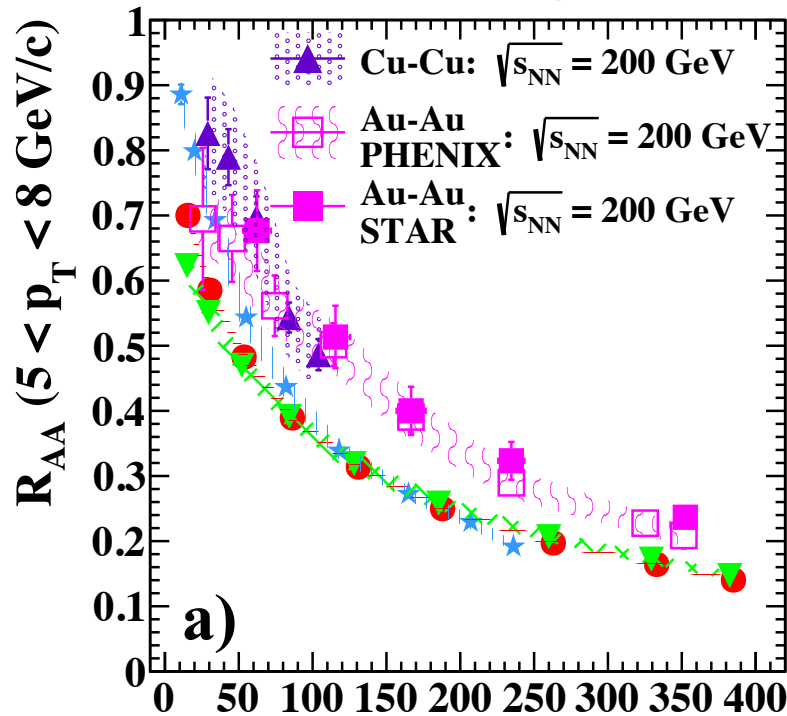


- maximum suppression for $5 \text{ GeV}/c < p_T < 8 \text{ GeV}/c$
- the region in p_T for maximum suppression remains the same at:
 - different collision energies
 - different centralities

R_{AA} and R_{AA}^{core} - $\langle N_{part} \rangle$ scaling

$$R_{AA} = \frac{\left(\frac{d^2N}{d\eta dp_T}\right)_{cen}}{\langle N_{bin} \rangle \cdot \left(\frac{d^2N}{d\eta dp_T}\right)_{pp,MB}}$$

$$R_{AA}^{core} = \frac{\left(\frac{d^2N}{d\eta dp_T}\right)_{cen,core}}{\langle N_{bin}^{core} \rangle \cdot \left(\frac{d^2N}{d\eta dp_T}\right)_{pp,MB}}$$

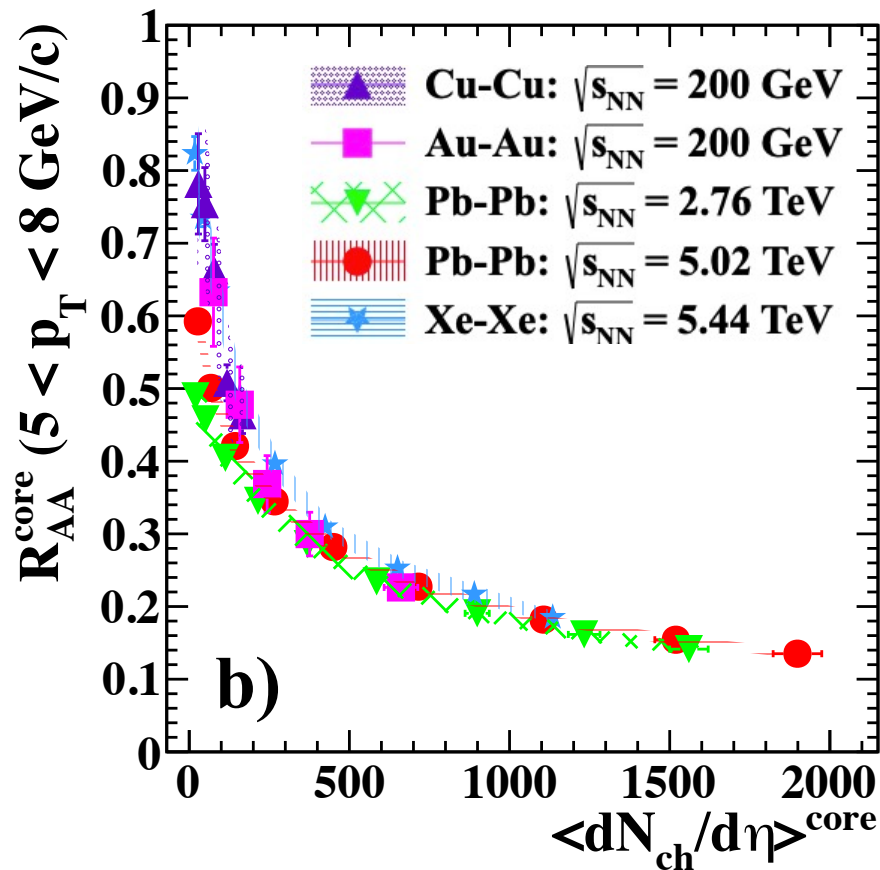
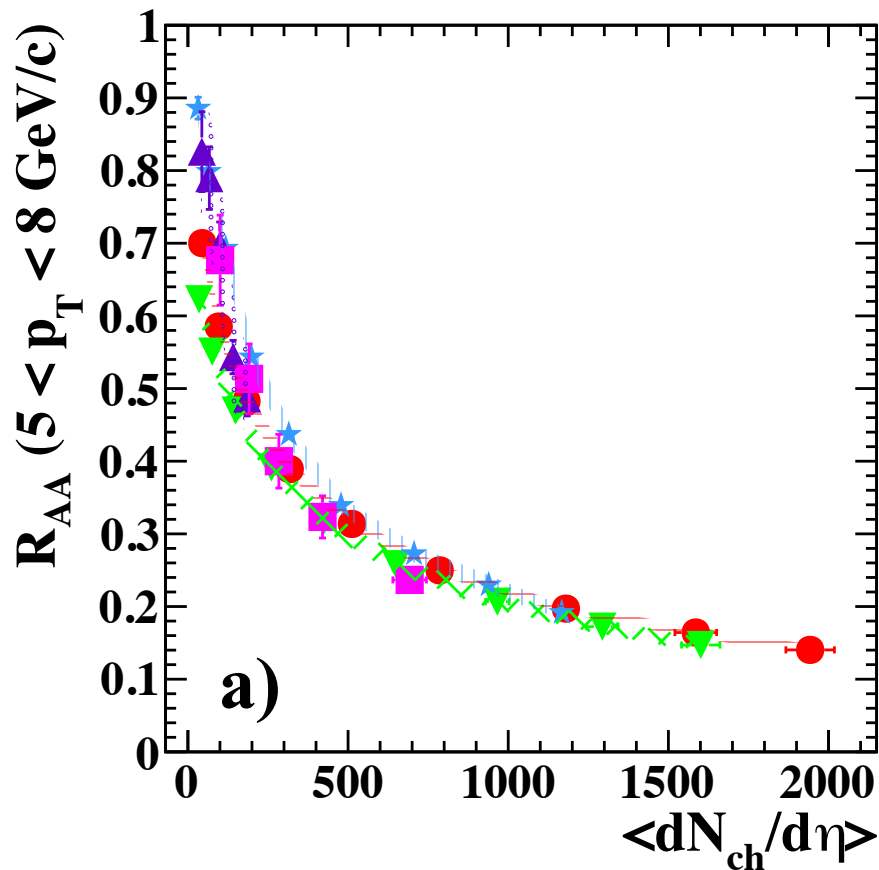


- PHOBOS Collaboration, PRL 96(2006)212301 $\langle N_{part} \rangle$
- STAR Collaboration, PRL 91(2003)172302
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- PHENIX Collaboration, Phys. Rev. C69(2004)034910

- R_{AA} scales with $\langle N_{part} \rangle$ for the top RHIC energy
- R_{AA} scales at LHC energies, although the difference in collision energies is up to a factor 2

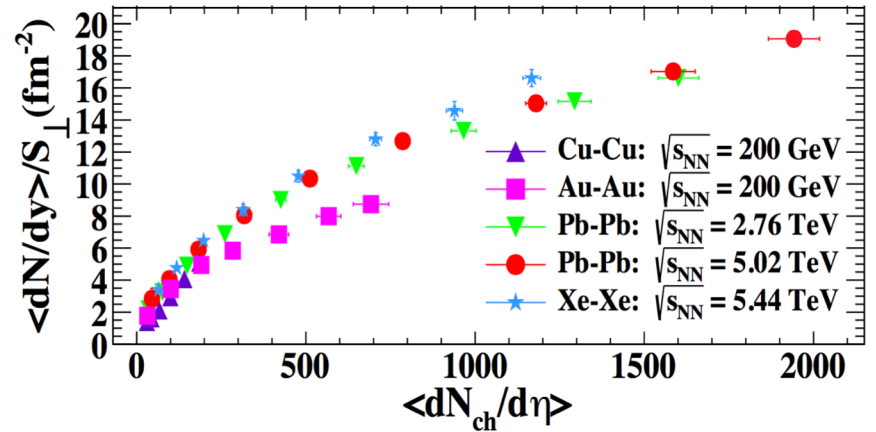
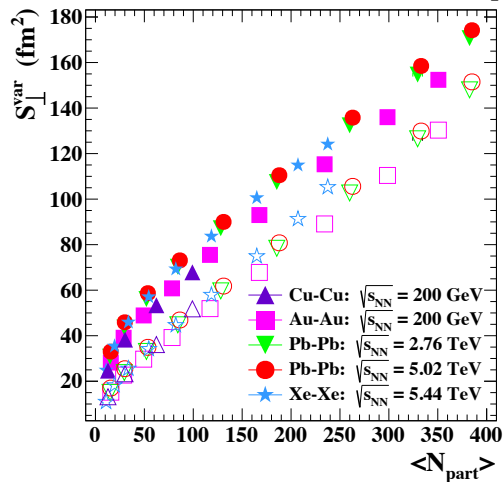
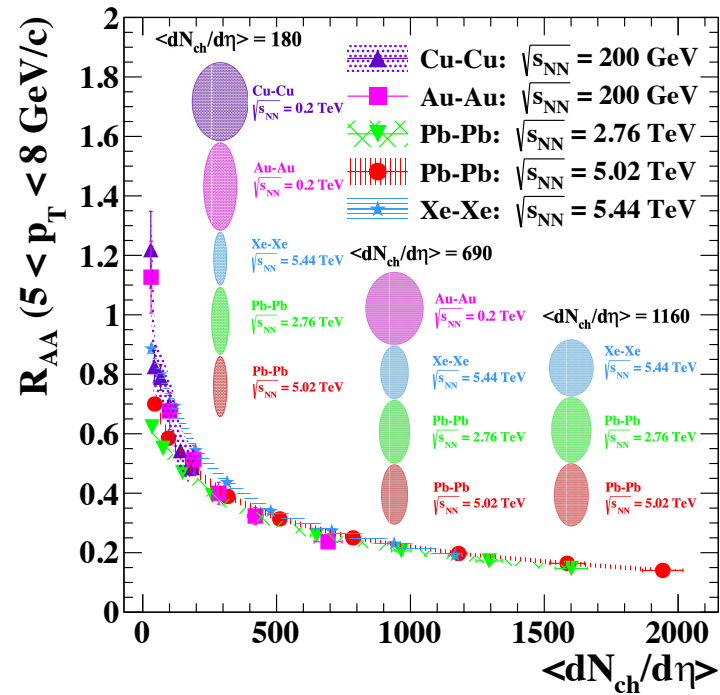
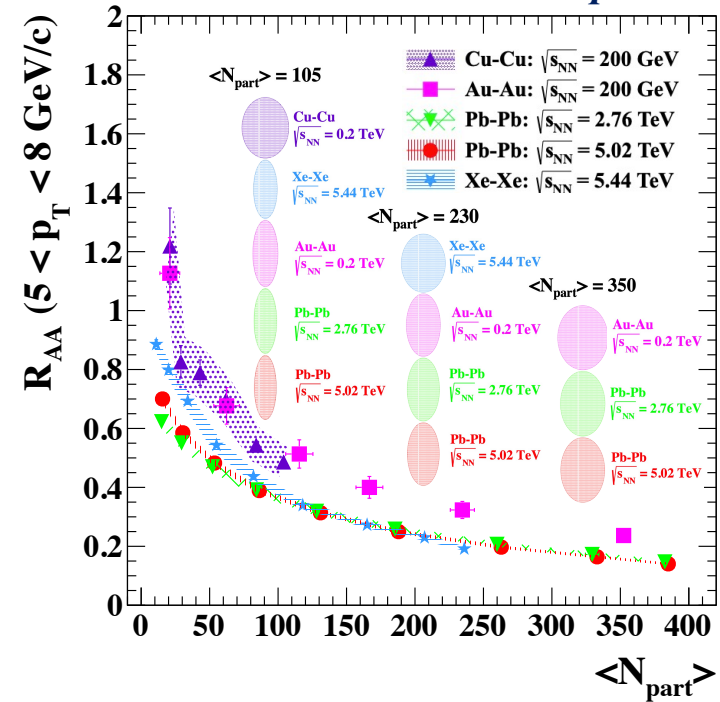
- suppression increases by $\sim 20\%$ at low values of $\langle N_{part} \rangle$
- the difference relative to R_{AA} is decreasing with $\langle N_{part} \rangle$
- R_{AA}^{core} for very central Cu-Cu and Xe-Xe has the same value as R_{AA}^{core} for Au-Au and Pb-Pb, respectively, at the same $\langle N_{part} \rangle$

R_{AA} and R_{AA}^{core} - $\langle dN_{ch}/d\eta \rangle$ scaling



R_{AA} and R_{AA}^{core} scale with $\langle dN_{ch}/d\eta \rangle$ for all systems and collision energies

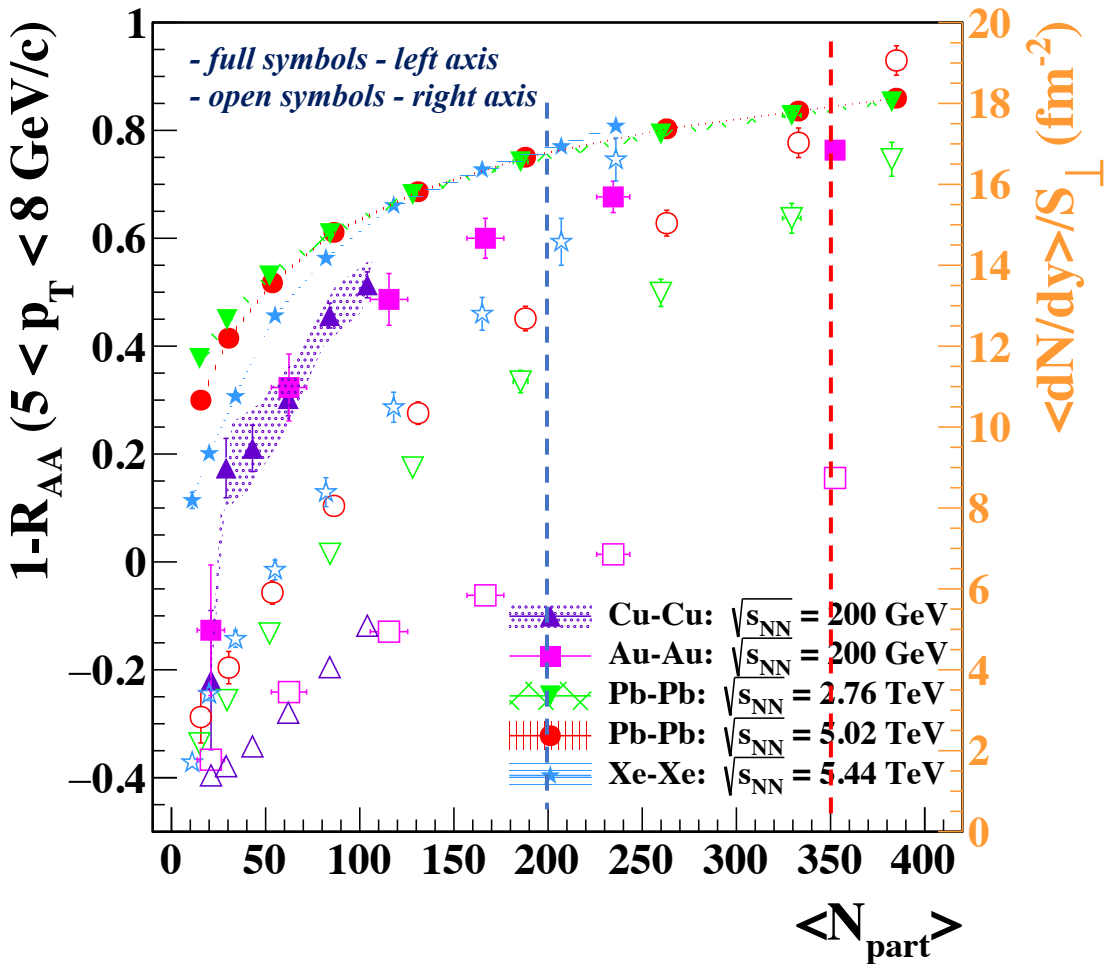
$\langle N_{part} \rangle$ versus $\langle dN_{ch}/d\eta \rangle$ scaling



- S_{\perp}^{var} - the same for different systems
- the transverse shapes are similar
- the main difference is in $\langle dN/dy \rangle / S_{\perp}$

- Different shape, size and $\langle dN/dy \rangle / S_{\perp}$ for a given $\langle dN_{ch}/d\eta \rangle$ => their relative contribution to suppression is difficult to unravel

$(1-R_{AA})$ and $\langle dN/dy \rangle/S_{\perp}$ as a function of $\langle N_{part} \rangle$



- For $\langle N_{part} \rangle = 200$, the differences in:
 - $\langle dN/dy \rangle/S_{\perp}$ for Pb-Pb at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76, 5.02$ TeV and for Xe-Xe at 5.44 TeV relative to Au-Au at 200 GeV are:
 - 5.25 ± 1 ; 6.77 ± 1 ; 7.89 ± 1 part/fm²
 - $(1-R_{AA})$ values are:
 - 0.10 ± 0.03 ; 0.11 ± 0.03 ; 0.11 ± 0.03 .
- => suppression saturation at LHC energies

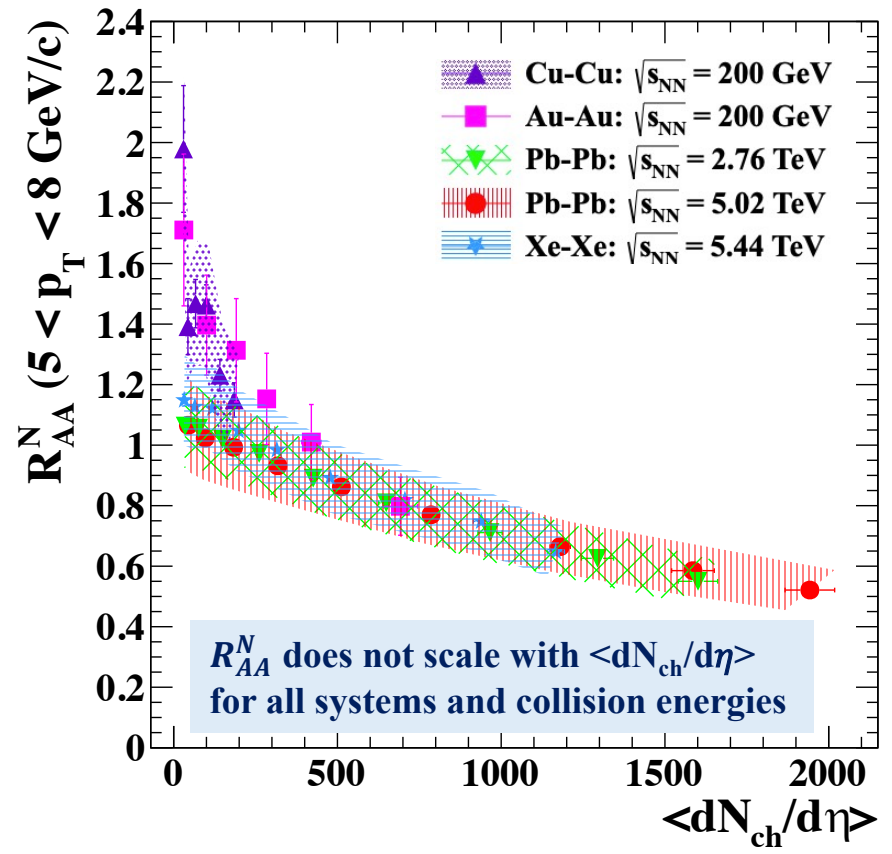
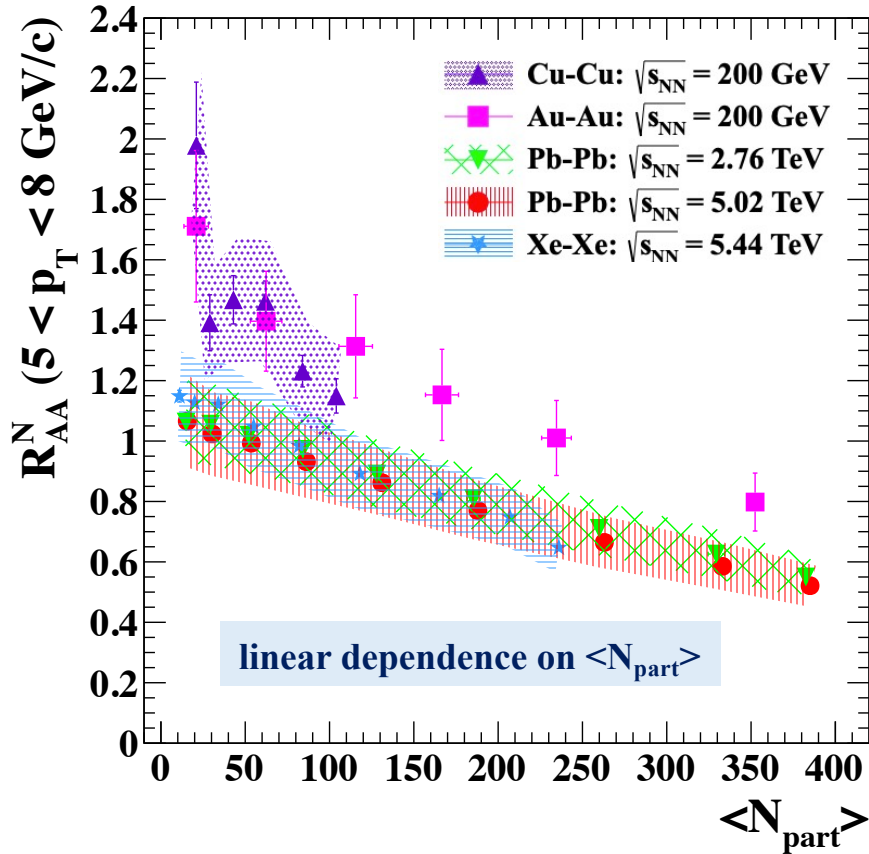
- For central Au-Au collisions - $\langle N_{part} \rangle = 350$, the difference in $\langle dN/dy \rangle/S_{\perp}$ between Pb-Pb at 2.76 TeV and Au-Au at 200 GeV is 7 ± 1 part/fm² while the difference in $(1-R_{AA})$ is 0.08 ± 0.03 .

- If $R_{AA} \sim 1 - k \cdot x^2 \cdot T^3$
 - $x^2 \sim S_{\perp}$
 - $T^3 \sim \langle dN/dy \rangle/S_{\perp}$
- => $k^{(2.76 \text{ TeV})} \simeq (0.48 \pm 0.03) \cdot k^{(200 \text{ GeV})}$

- M. Djordjevic et al., Phys. Rev. C99(2019)061902
- B. Betz and Miklos Gyulassy, JHEP 08(2014)090

$R_{AA}^N - \langle N_{part} \rangle$ and $\langle dN_{ch}/d\eta \rangle$ scaling

$$R_{AA}^N = \frac{[\frac{d^2N}{d\eta dp_T} / \langle \frac{dN_{ch}}{d\eta} \rangle]^{cen}}{[\frac{d^2N}{d\eta dp_T} / \langle \frac{dN_{ch}}{d\eta} \rangle]^{pp,MB}}$$



Suppression in p-p collisions - high multiplicity (HM):

- $\langle \beta_T \rangle$ vs. $[\langle dN/dy \rangle / S_{\perp}]^{1/2}$ scaling

for $[\langle dN/dy \rangle / S_{\perp}]^{1/2} = 3.3 \pm 0.1$

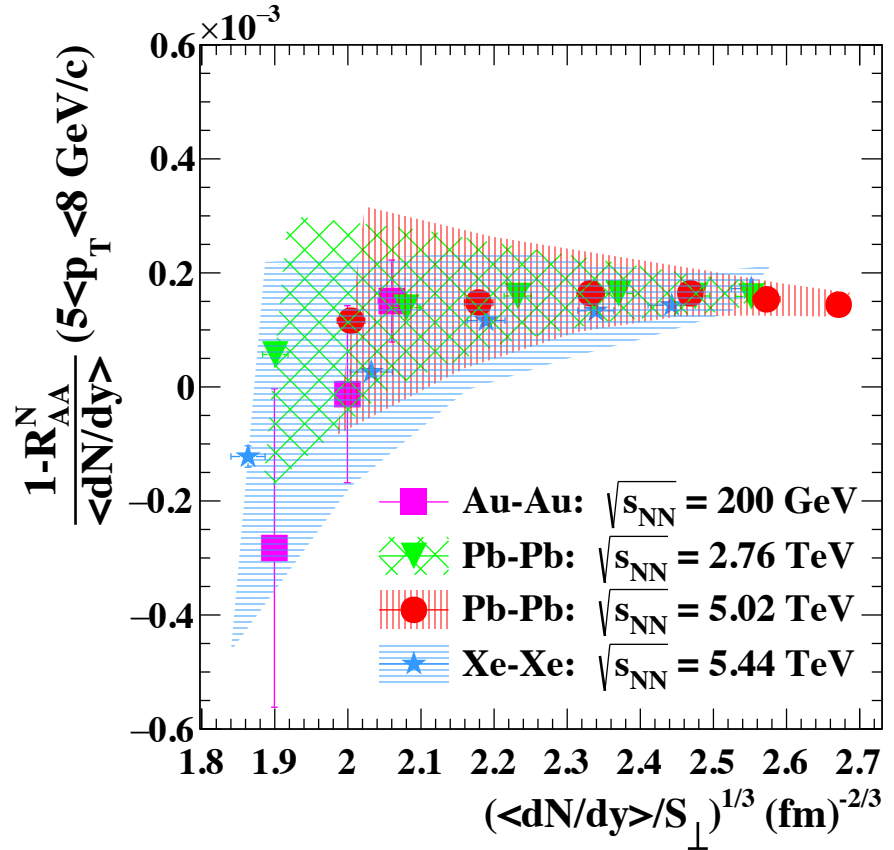
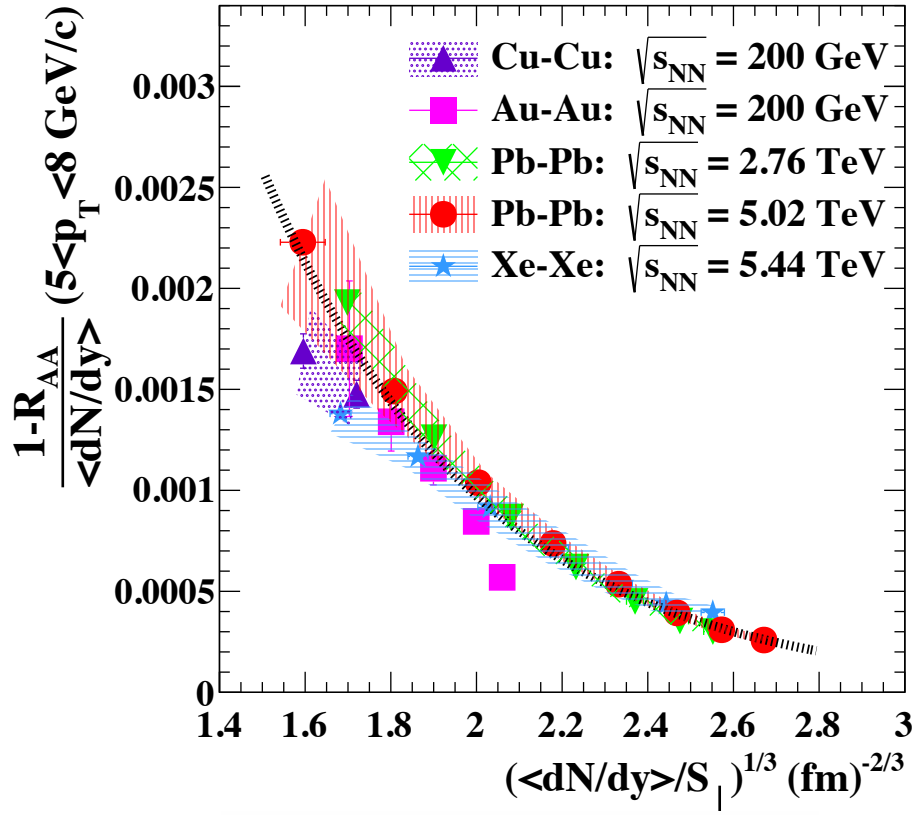
- $S_{\perp}^{pp(HM)} = 7.43 \pm 0.48 \text{ fm}^2$ and $S_{\perp}^{PbPb} = 70 \pm 0.4 \text{ fm}^2$

- assuming the same jet-medium coupling

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$$\Rightarrow (1 - R_{pp}^{N(HM)}) / (1 - R_{AA}^{N(\langle N_{part} \rangle = 125)}) \approx 0.01 \pm 0.01$$

$(1-R_{AA})/\langle dN/dy \rangle$ and $(1-R_{AA}^N)/\langle dN/dy \rangle - (\langle dN/dy \rangle / S_{\perp})^{1/3}$ dependence



$$\frac{1 - R_{AA}}{\langle dN/dy \rangle} = e^{\alpha - \beta \cdot (\langle dN/dy \rangle / S_{\perp})^{1/3}}$$

- The exponential decrease is similar with the k(T) dependence used in order to reproduce the nuclear modification factors at RHIC and LHC energies (see reference below)

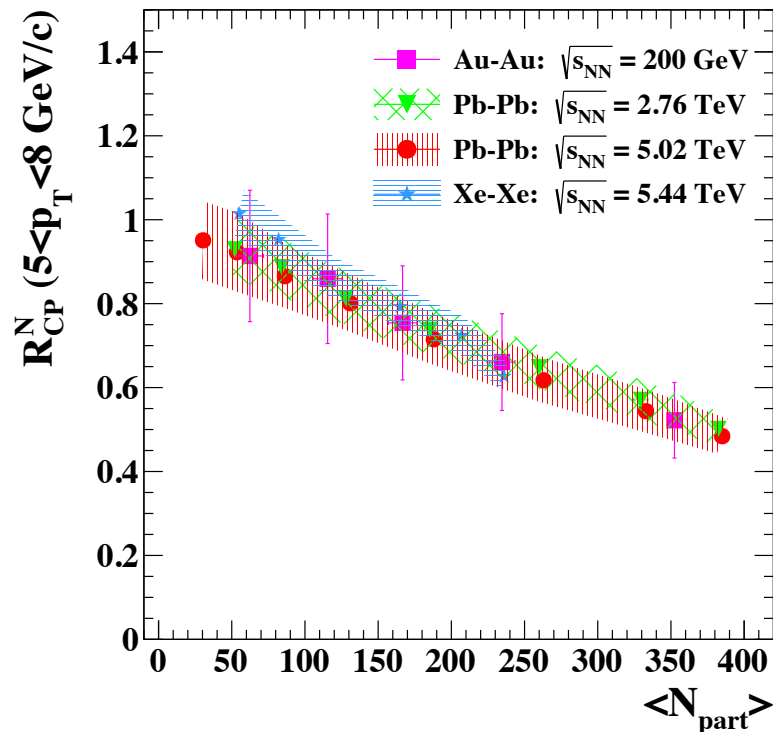
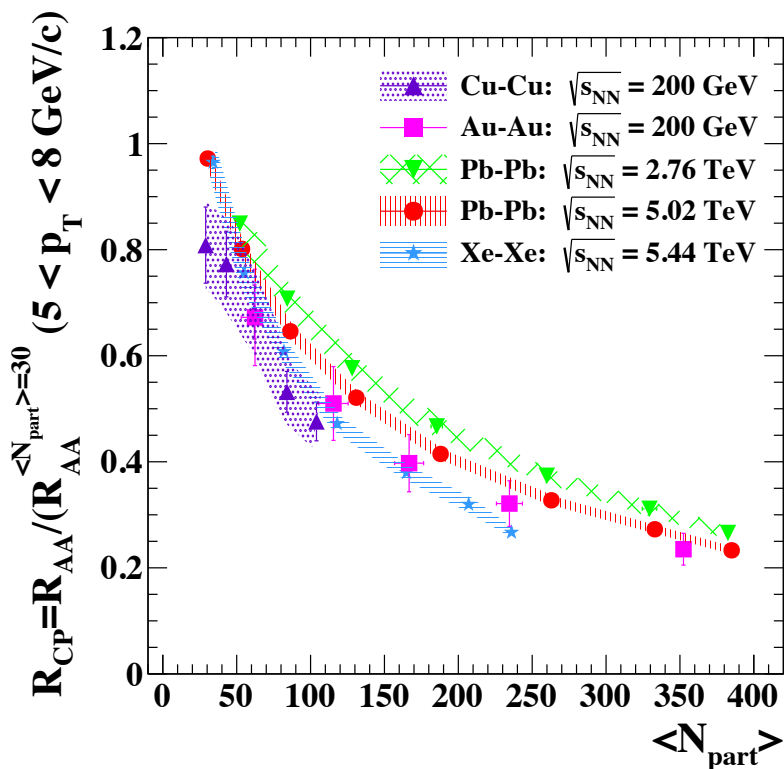
- For $(\langle dN/dy \rangle / S_{\perp})^{1/3} > 2.1$ - constant value, similar with the impact parameter independence of the jet quenching parameter (see reference below)

- C.Andres et al. Nucl. and Part. Phys. Proceedings, 00:1(2018)
 - M.Xie et al. Eur.Phys.J., C79(2019)589

$R_{CP}^N - \langle N_{part} \rangle$ dependence

$$R_{CP} = \frac{[\frac{d^2N}{d\eta dp_T} / \langle N_{bin} \rangle]^{cen}}{[\frac{d^2N}{d\eta dp_T} / \langle N_{bin} \rangle]^{peripheral}}$$

$$R_{CP}^N = \frac{[\frac{d^2N}{d\eta dp_T} / \langle \frac{dN_{ch}}{d\eta} \rangle]^{cen}}{[\frac{d^2N}{d\eta dp_T} / \langle \frac{dN_{ch}}{d\eta} \rangle]^{peripheral}}$$



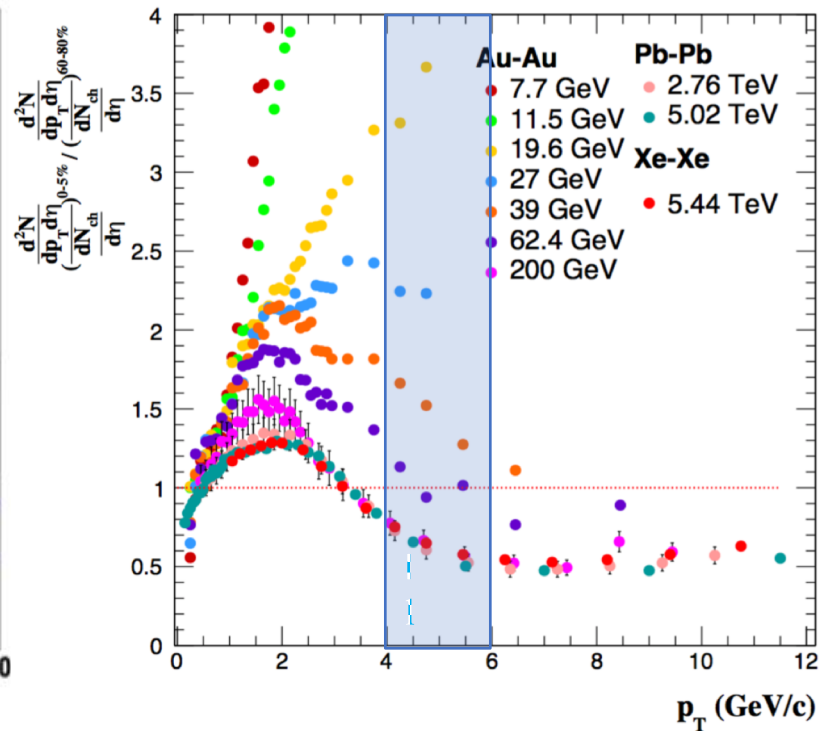
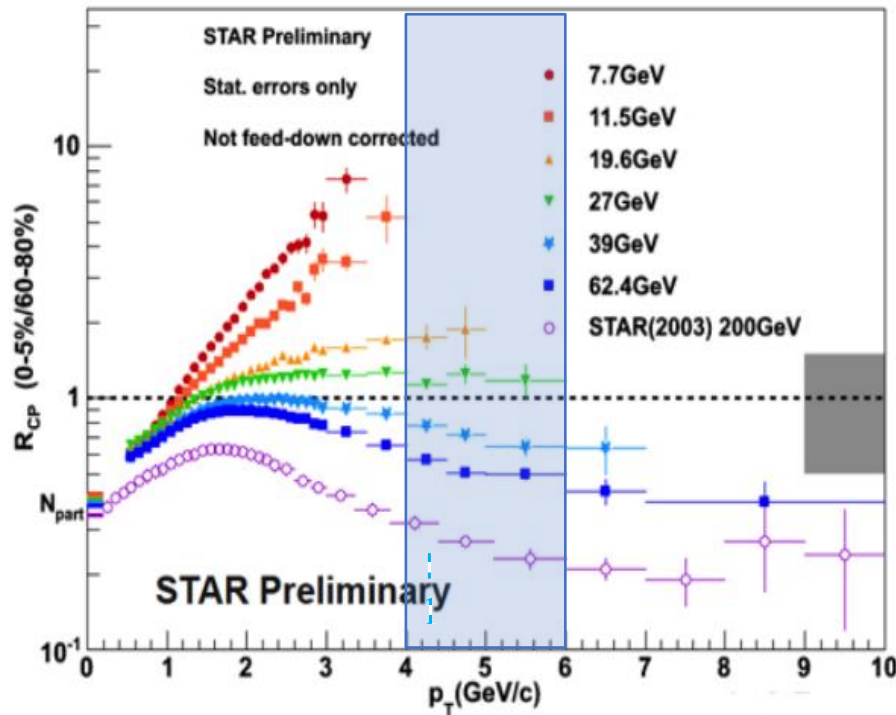
- R_{CP}^N scales with $\langle N_{part} \rangle$ for all heavy systems and all collision energies
- the linear dependence as a function of $\langle N_{part} \rangle$ follows from the linear dependence of R_{AA}^N

Collision energy dependence

charged particles

$$R_{CP} = \frac{[\frac{d^2N}{d\eta dp_T} / \langle N_{bin} \rangle]^{cen}}{[\frac{d^2N}{d\eta dp_T} / \langle N_{bin} \rangle]^{peripheral}}$$

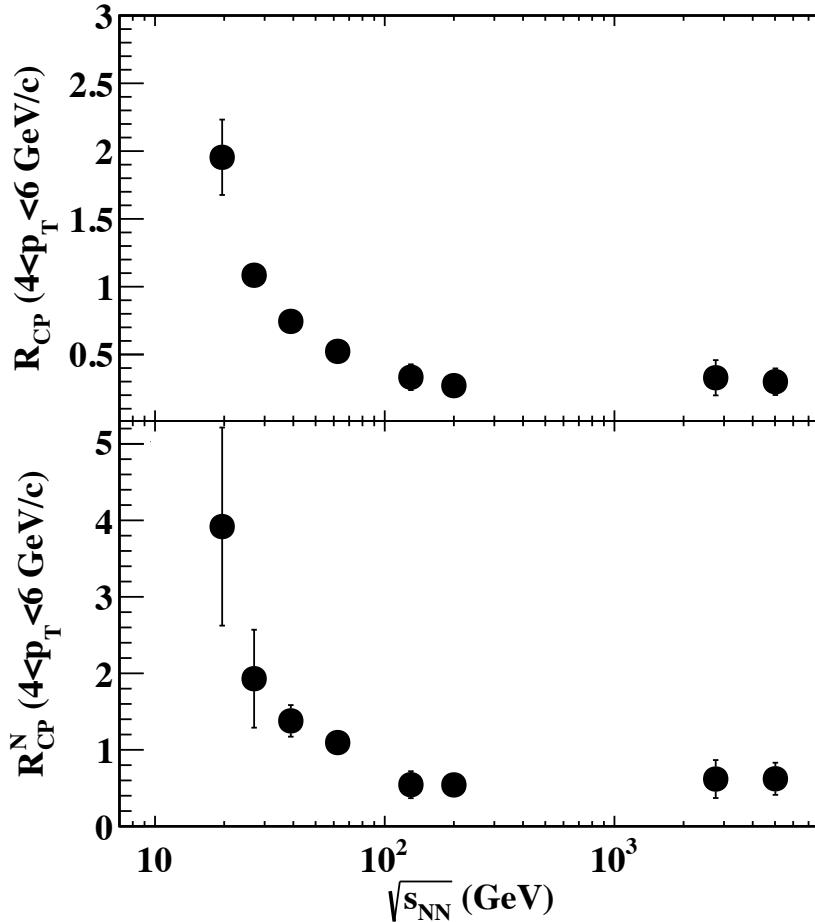
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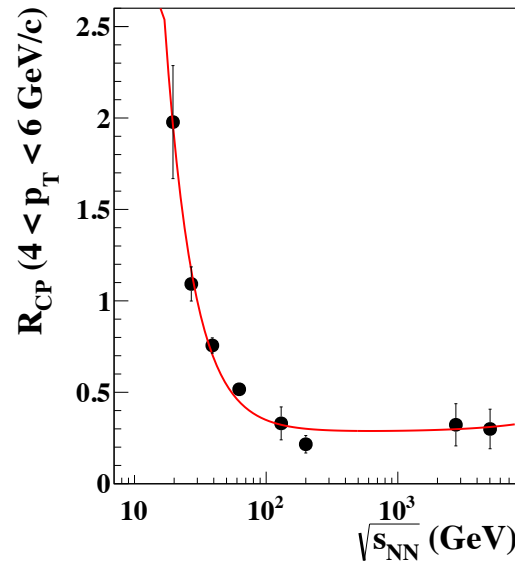
STAR Collaboration,
Quark Matter 2012 Conference Proceedings

R_{CP} and R_{CP}^N ($4\text{ GeV}/c < p_T < 6\text{ GeV}/c$) - $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ dependence (0-5%)/(60-80%)

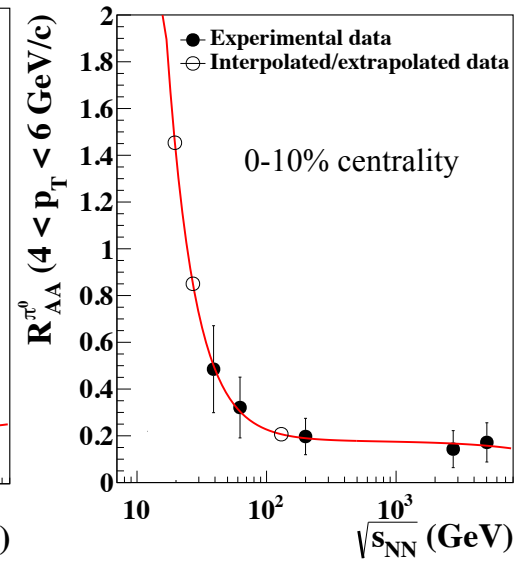
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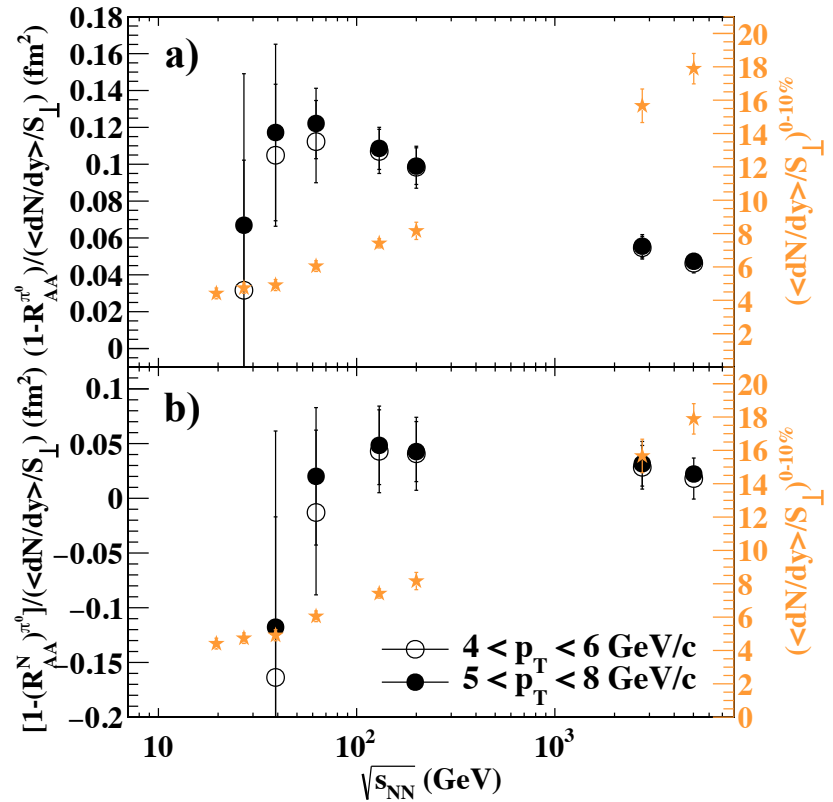
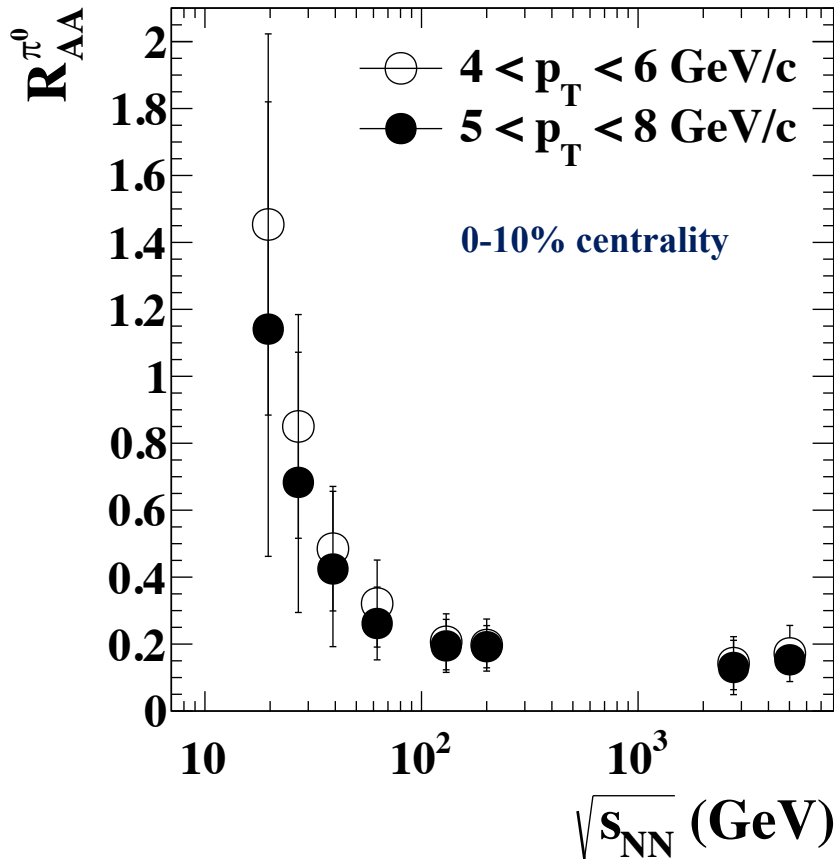
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$$R_{CP} \propto a + \frac{b}{s_{NN}} + c \cdot \sqrt{s_{NN}}$$

- PHENIX Collaboration, PRL 109(2012)152301
- PHENIX Collaboration, PRL 101(2008)232301
- ALICE Collaboration, Eur.Phys.J., C74(2014)3108
- ALICE Collaboration, POS(Hard Probes)073

$R_{AA}^{\pi^0}$ and $(1 - R_{AA}^{\pi^0}) / (\langle dN/dy \rangle / S_{\perp}) - \sqrt{s_{NN}}$ dependence



- a maximum in $(1 - R_{AA}^{\pi^0}) / (\langle dN/dy \rangle / S_{\perp})$ at RHIC energies is evidenced followed by a decrease towards LHC energies

- is this a signature of a new state of deconfined matter produced at LHC energies?

- magnetic plasma of light monopoles near T_c

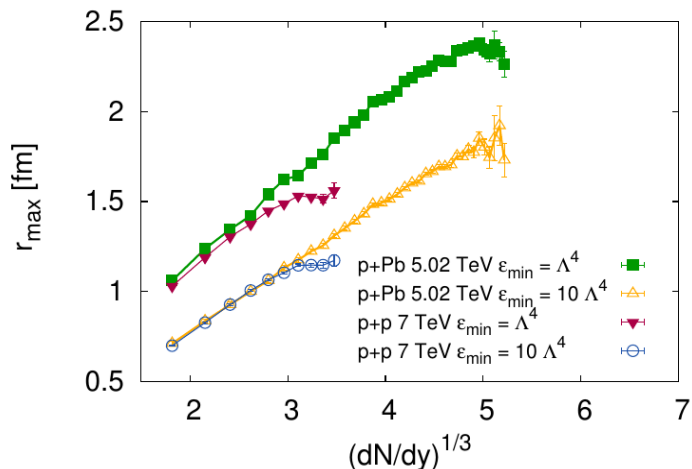


- quarks and gluons dominated deconfined matter

Outlook

- Charged particles R_{AA} , R_{AA}^N , R_{CP} and R_{CP}^N for Au-Au (Cu-Cu) at the top RHIC energy and Pb-Pb (Xe-Xe) at LHC energies, for $5 \text{ GeV}/c < p_T < 8 \text{ GeV}/c$, as a function of $\langle N_{part} \rangle$ and $\langle dN_{ch}/d\eta \rangle$ were discussed
- Considerations based on $1-R_{AA}$ and $\langle dN/dy \rangle / S_{\perp}$ dependence on $\langle N_{part} \rangle$:
 - suppression saturation at LHC energies
 - $k^{LHC} \simeq (0.48 \pm 0.03) \cdot k^{RHIC}$
 - $(1 - R_{pp}^{N(HM)}) / (1 - R_{AA}^{N(\langle N_{part} \rangle \geq 125)}) \simeq 0.01 \pm 0.01$
- R_{CP}^N scales with $\langle N_{part} \rangle$ for all heavy systems and all collision energies
- $(1 - R_{AA}) / \langle dN/dy \rangle - (\langle dN/dy \rangle / S_{\perp})^{1/3}$ exponential dependence
 $(1 - R_{AA}^N) / \langle dN/dy \rangle$ independent on $(\langle dN/dy \rangle / S_{\perp})^{1/3}$ for $(\langle dN/dy \rangle / S_{\perp})^{1/3} > 2.1 \text{ part}/\text{fm}^{2/3}$
- Collision energy dependence of R_{CP} and R_{CP}^N ($4 \text{ GeV}/c < p_T < 6 \text{ GeV}/c$)
 - evidence for saturation at LHC energies
- A maximum in $(1 - R_{AA}^{\pi^0}) / (\langle dN/dy \rangle / S_{\perp})$ at RHIC energies is followed by a decrease towards LHC energies
 - signature for a new state of deconfined matter produced at LHC energies?

Back-up slides



A. Bzdak, B. Schenke, P. Tribedy and R. Venugopalan, Phys.Rev. C87(2013)064906

$$S_{\perp}^{pp} = \pi R_{pp}^2 \quad R_{pp} = l_{fm} f_{pp} - \text{maximal radius for which the energy density of the Yang-Mill fields is larger than } \epsilon = \alpha \Lambda_{QCD}^4 \quad (\alpha \in [1, 10])$$

$$\alpha=1 \quad f_{pp} = \begin{cases} 0.387 + 0.0335x + 0.274x^2 - 0.0542x^3 & \text{if } x < 3.4 \\ 1.538 & \text{if } x \geq 3.4 \end{cases}$$

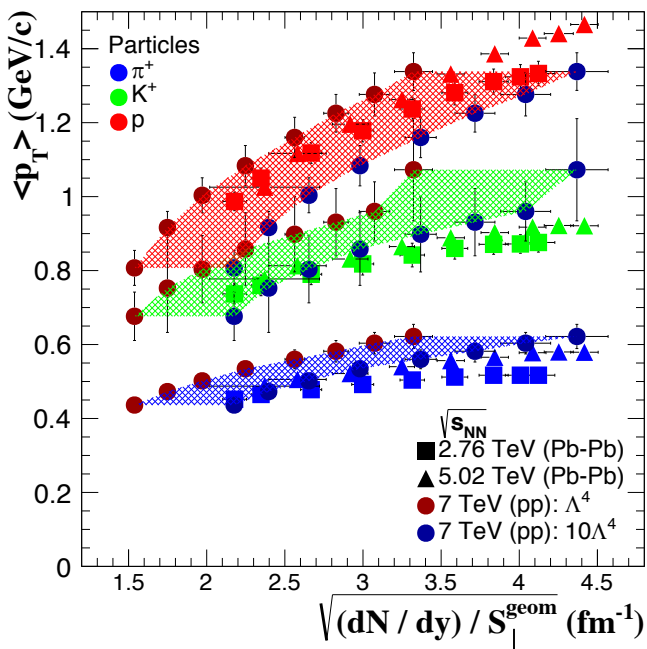
$$x = (dN_g/dy)^{1/3}$$

$$dN_g/dy \approx dN/dy$$

McLarren, M. Praszalowicz and B. Schenke, Nucl.Phys. A916(2013)210

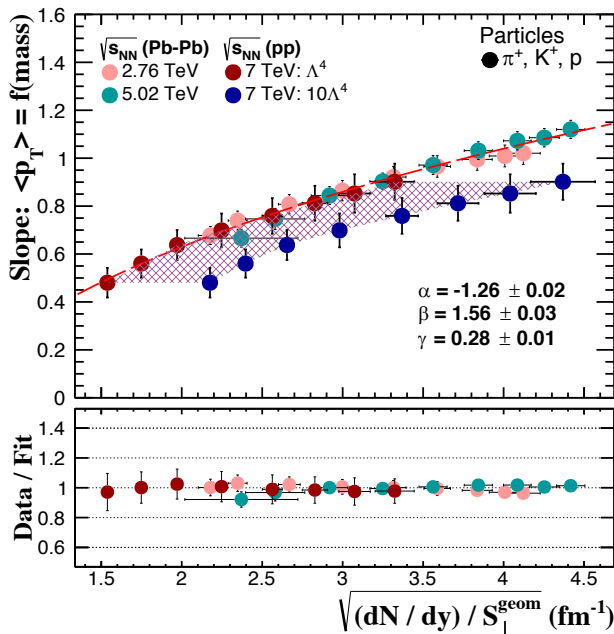
$$\alpha=10 \quad f_{pp} = \begin{cases} -0.018 + 0.3976x + 0.095x^2 - 0.028x^3 & \text{if } x < 3.4 \\ 1.17 & \text{if } x \geq 3.4 \end{cases}$$

$\langle p_T \rangle$ vs. $[(dN/dy)/S_{\text{perp}}]^{1/2}$



ALICE Collaboration, Nucl.Phys. A931(2014)c888

The slope of $\langle p_T \rangle = f(\text{mass})$ vs. $[(dN/dy)/S_{\text{perp}}]^{1/2}$



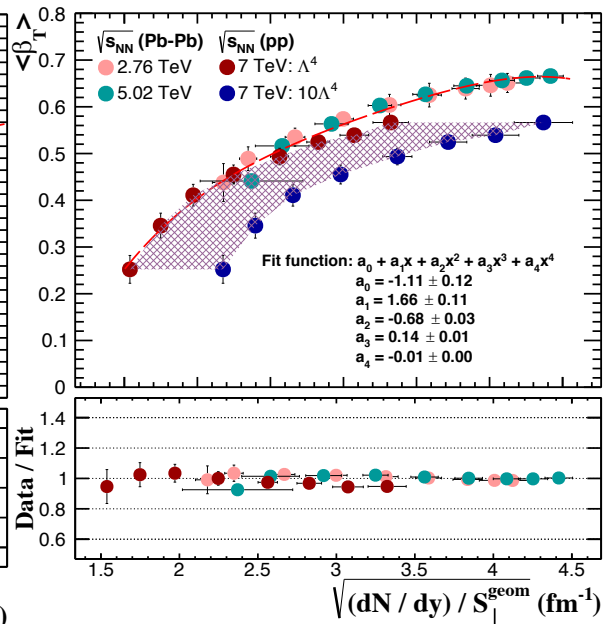
$$\alpha = -1.26 \pm 0.02$$

$$\beta = 1.56 \pm 0.03$$

$$\gamma = 0.28 \pm 0.01$$

$$\text{Slope}_{\langle p_T \rangle = f(\text{mass})} = \alpha + \beta \left(\sqrt{\frac{dN}{dy} / S_{\perp}^{\text{geom}}} \right)^{\gamma}$$

$\langle \beta_T \rangle$ from BGBW fits vs. $[(dN/dy)/S_{\text{perp}}]^{1/2}$



Fit function: $a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3 + a_4x^4$

$$a_0 = -1.11 \pm 0.12$$

$$a_1 = 1.66 \pm 0.11$$

$$a_2 = -0.68 \pm 0.03$$

$$a_3 = 0.14 \pm 0.01$$

$$a_4 = -0.01 \pm 0.00$$