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Photon Production in High-Energy Heavy-Ion Collisions: Thermal Photons and Radiative Recombination

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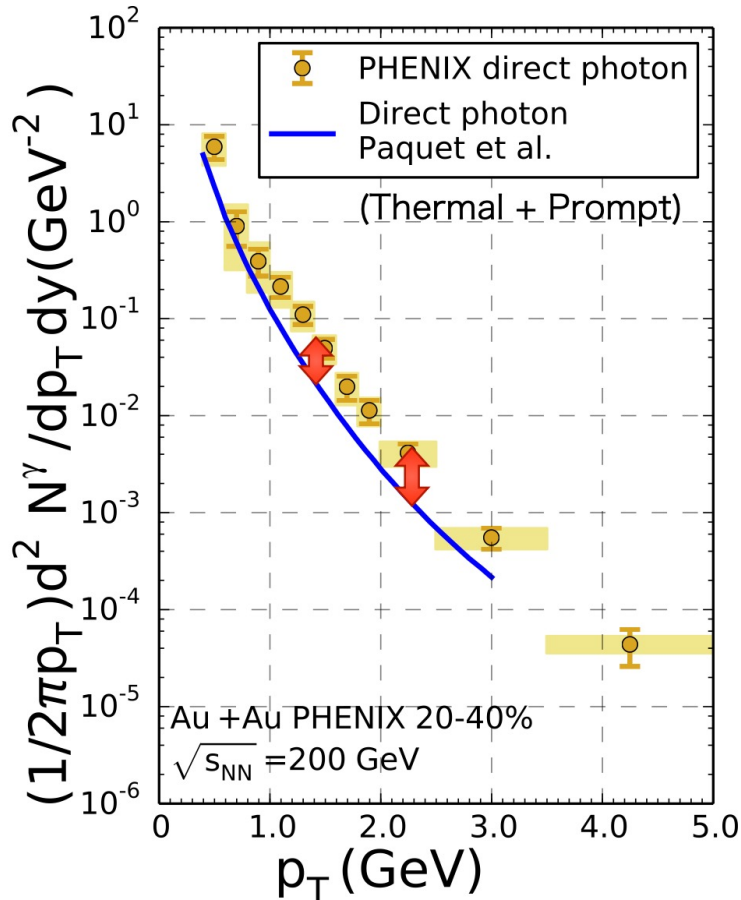
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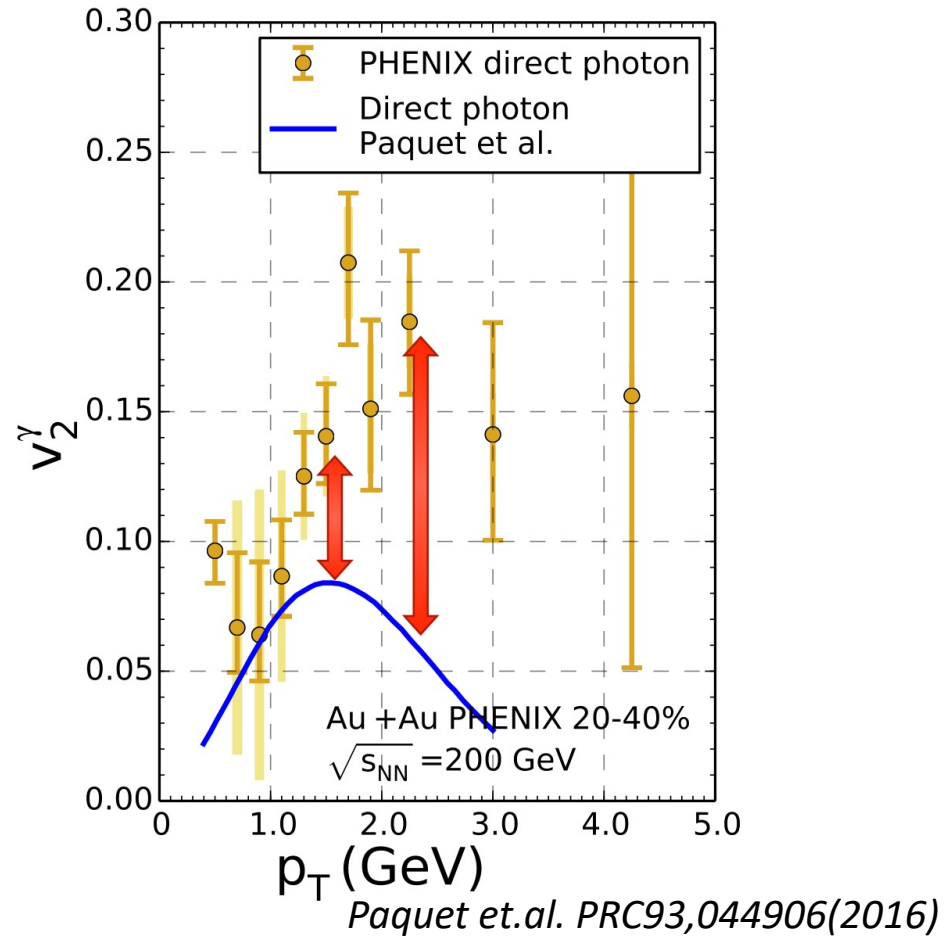


Photon Puzzle

p_T spectra



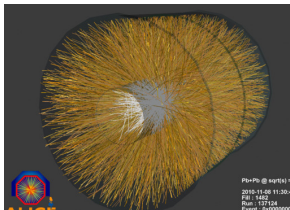
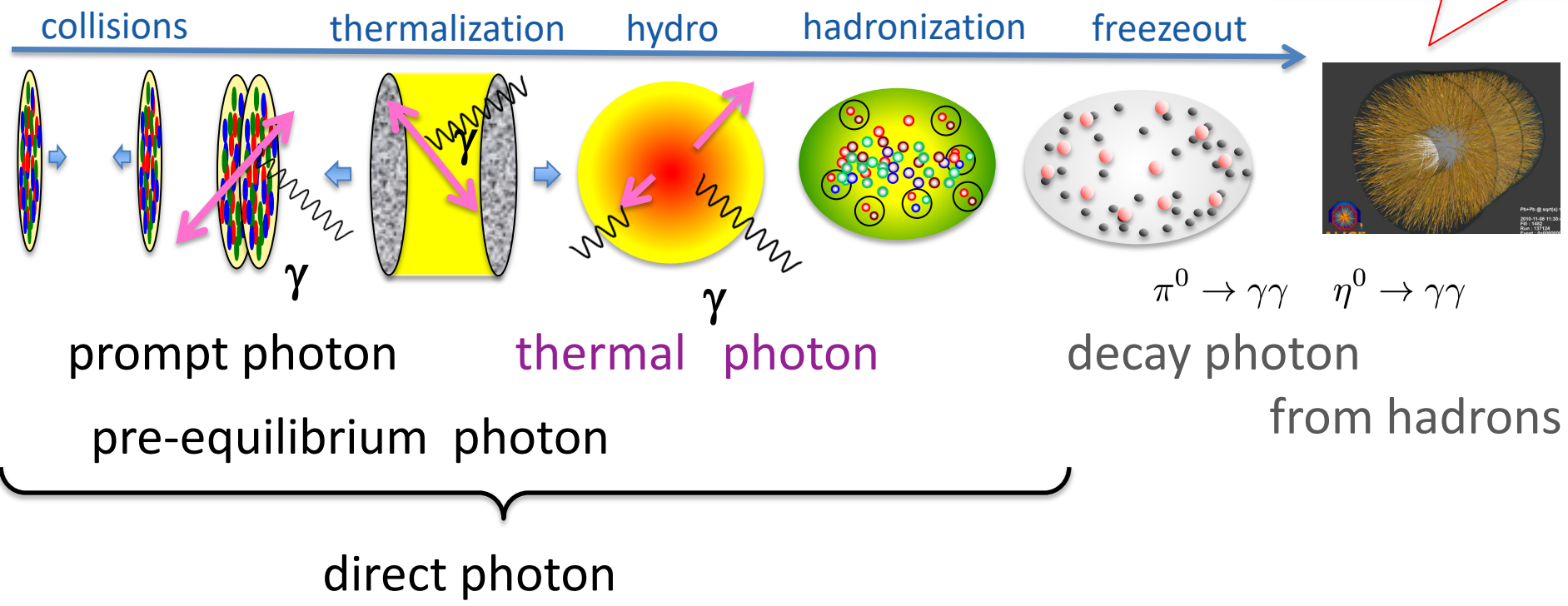
elliptic flow



Theoretical calculations of photon yield and flow are smaller than experimental data at RHIC and the LHC.

Possible Photon Sources

Experimental data



Thermal Photons from Hydrodynamics

Okamoto and CN, PRC98,054906(2018)

Experimental data

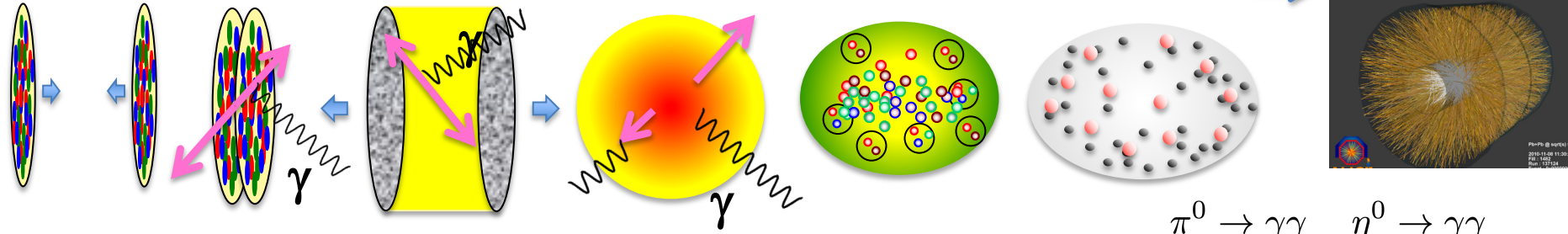
collisions

thermalization

hydro

hadronization

freezeout



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Hydrodynamic Expansion

UrQMD

Phenomenological model
Parametrization

Moreland et al., PRC92,011901(2015)
Ke et al., PRC96,044192(2017)

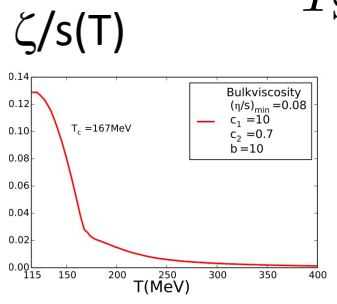
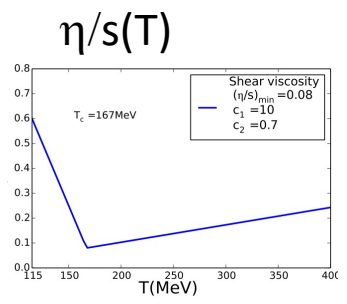
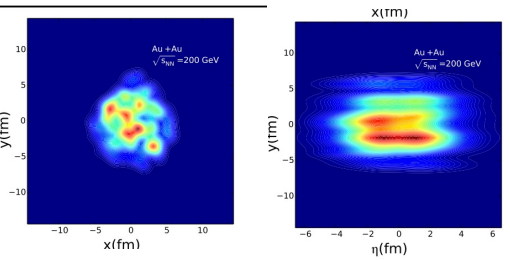
$$\partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0$$

Denicol et al, PRD85,114047 (2012)
lattice QCD
+ hadron resonance gas EoS

Bass et al., Prog.Part.Nucl.Phys.(1998)

Bleicher et al., J.Phys.G25,1859(1999)

$T_{SW} = 150 \text{ MeV}$

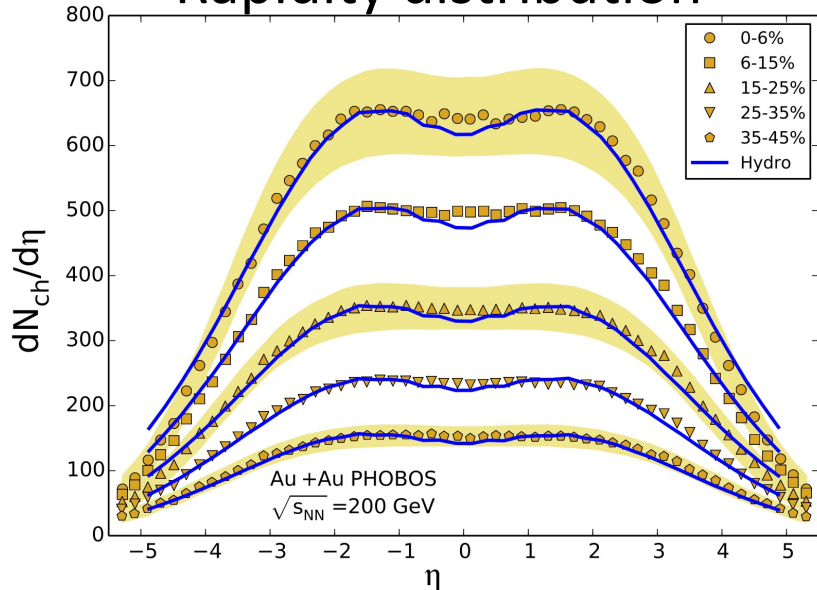


Cornelius, Huovinen and Petersen
Cooper-Fry formula

RHIC: Hadron's Yields and Flows

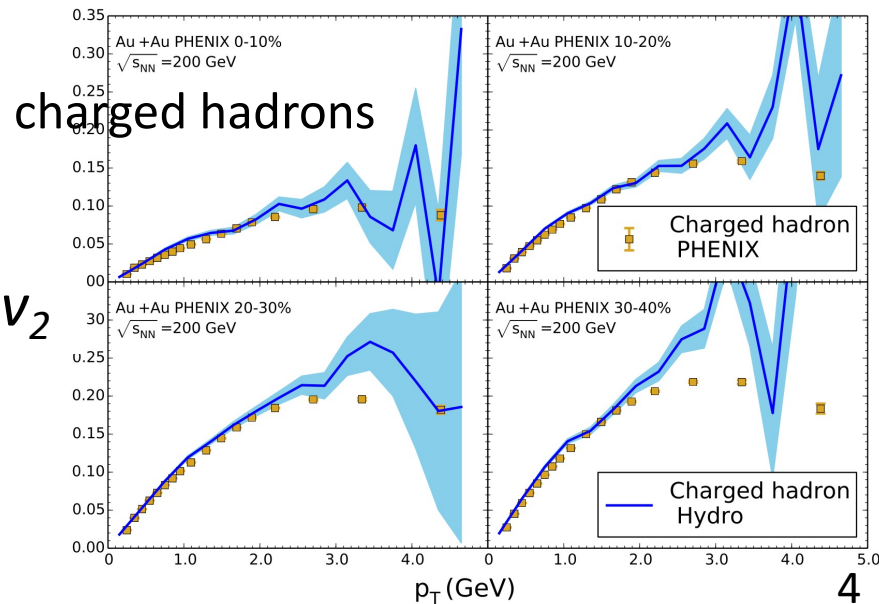
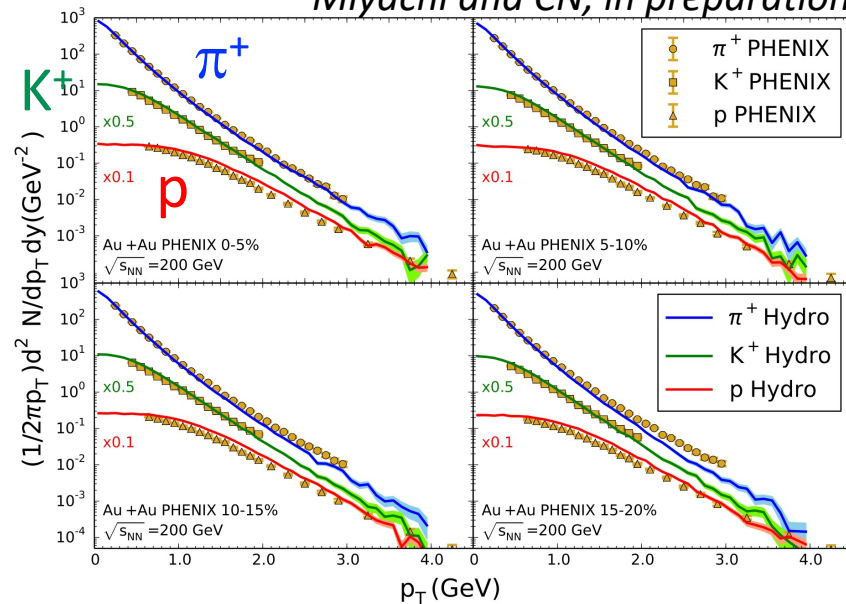
- $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV
Au+Au collisions

Rapidity distribution



- Our hydrodynamic model reproduces hadron data at RHIC.

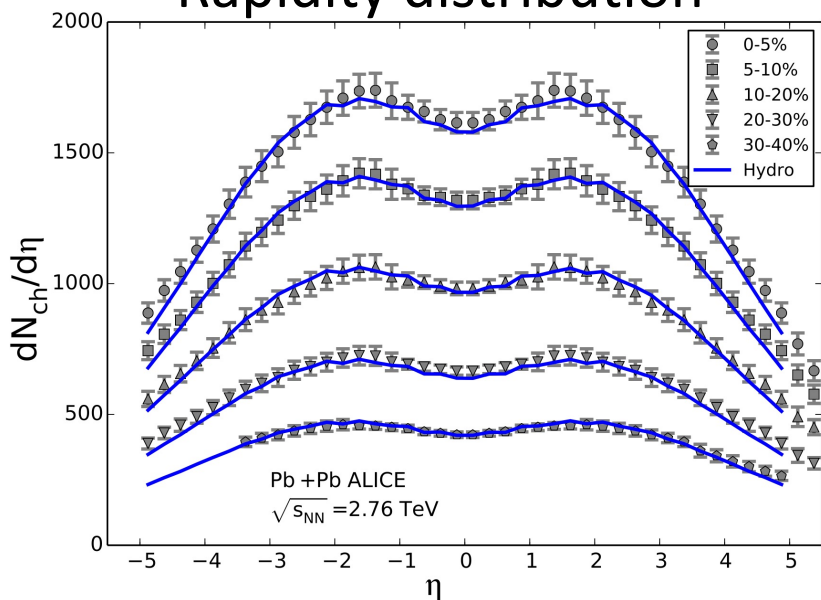
Miyachi and CN, in preparation



LHC: Hadron's Yields and Flows

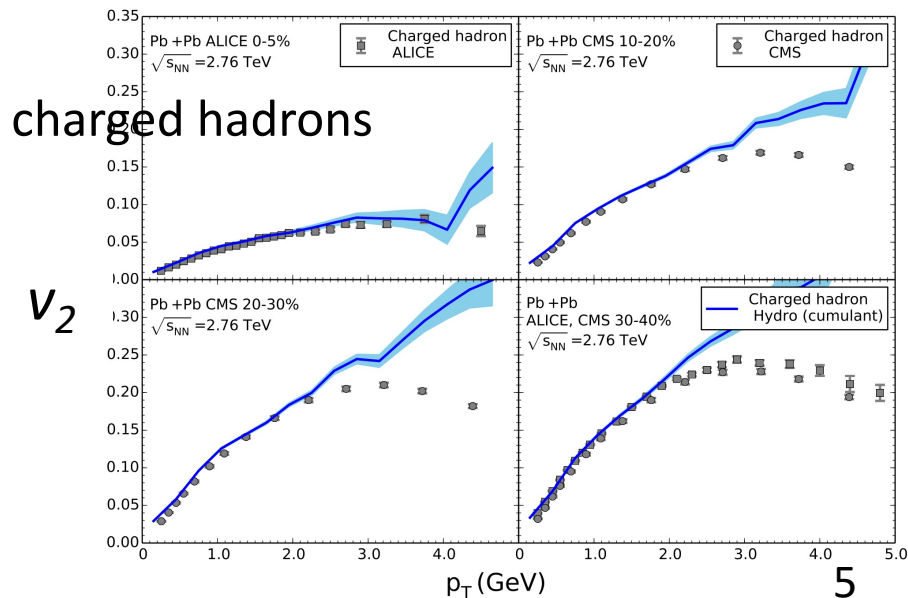
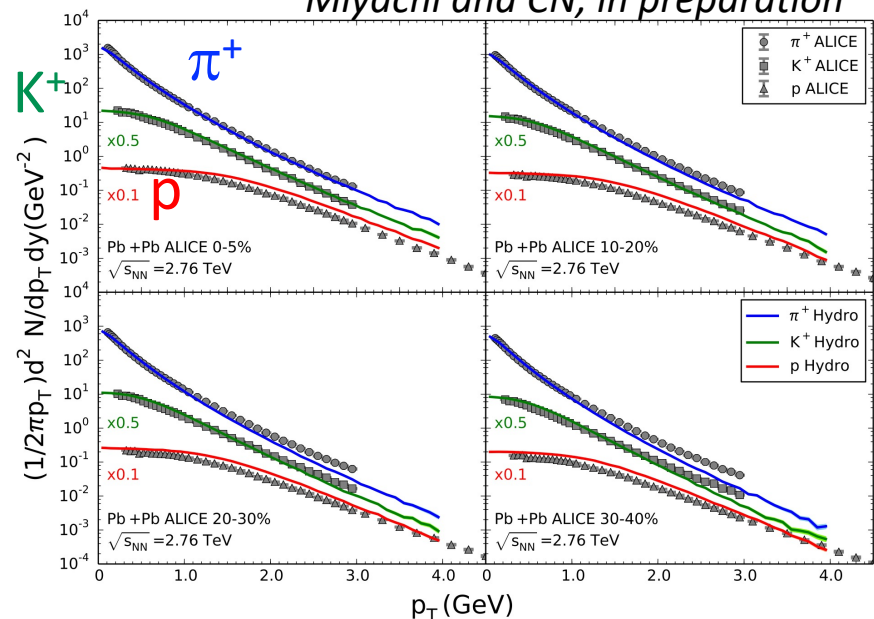
- $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV
Pb+Pb collisions

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Photon Emission Rate

QGP Phase

Crossover Phase Transition

Hadron Phase

QGP pQCD LO

AMY, JHEP 0112:009 (2001)

π, ρ, ω mesons

Rapp et al. PRC 69, 014903 (2004),
Rapp et al. PRC 91, 027902 (2015),
Rapp et al. NPA 945 (2016) 1-20

$$E \frac{dR_{\text{th}}^{\gamma}}{d^3p} = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \tanh \frac{T - T_c}{\Delta T} \right) E \frac{dR_{\text{QGP}}^{\gamma}}{d^3p} + \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \tanh \frac{T - T_c}{\Delta T} \right) E \frac{dR_{\text{had}}^{\gamma}}{d^3p}$$

$$T_c = 170 \text{ MeV}$$

Monnai, J. Phys. G 47 075105 (2019)

$$E \frac{dR_{\text{th}}^{\gamma}}{d^3p}(p_T) = \frac{1}{\Delta y} \int_{y_{\text{min}}}^{y_{\text{max}}} dy \frac{1}{\Delta \phi} \int_{\phi_{\text{min}}}^{\phi_{\text{max}}} d\phi \int d\tau \tau V \left(E \frac{dR_{\text{th}}^{\gamma}}{d^3p} \right)$$

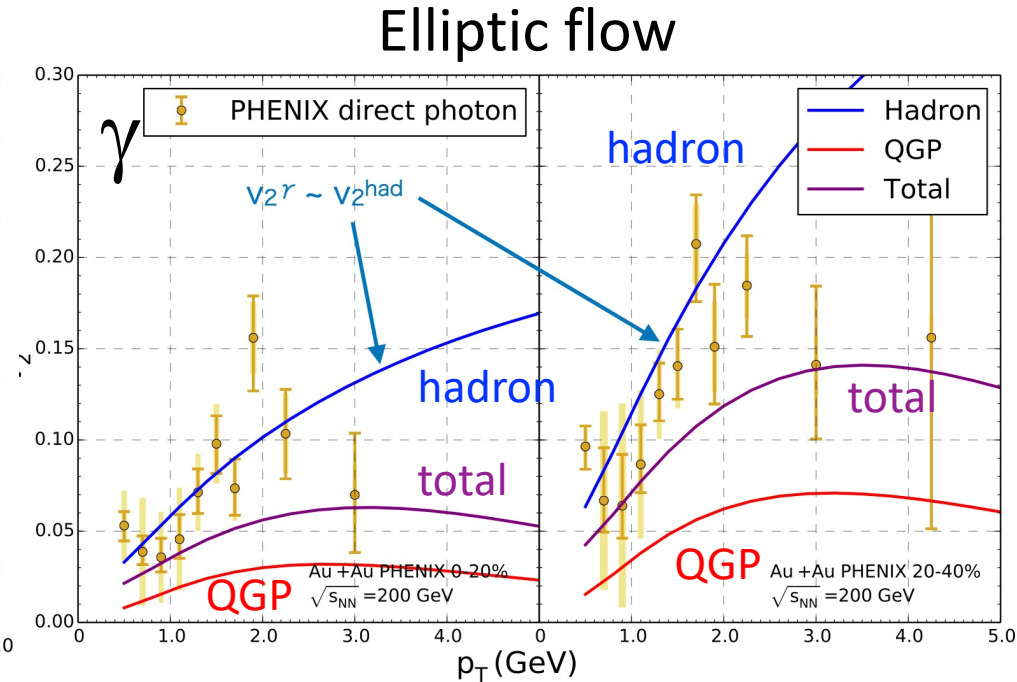
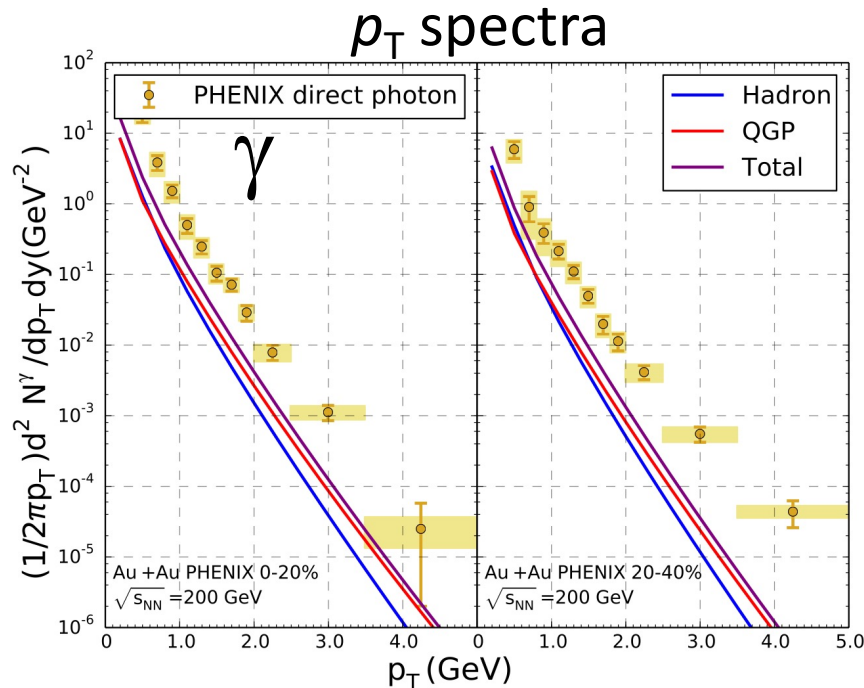
We evaluate photon production at late stage by hydrodynamic expansion, instead of calculation of photon production from UrQMD.

$$T_f = 116 \text{ MeV}: v_2^{\gamma} \sim v_2^{\text{had}}$$

RHIC: Thermal Photons

Miyachi and CN, in preparation

- $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200\text{GeV}$ Au+Au collisions



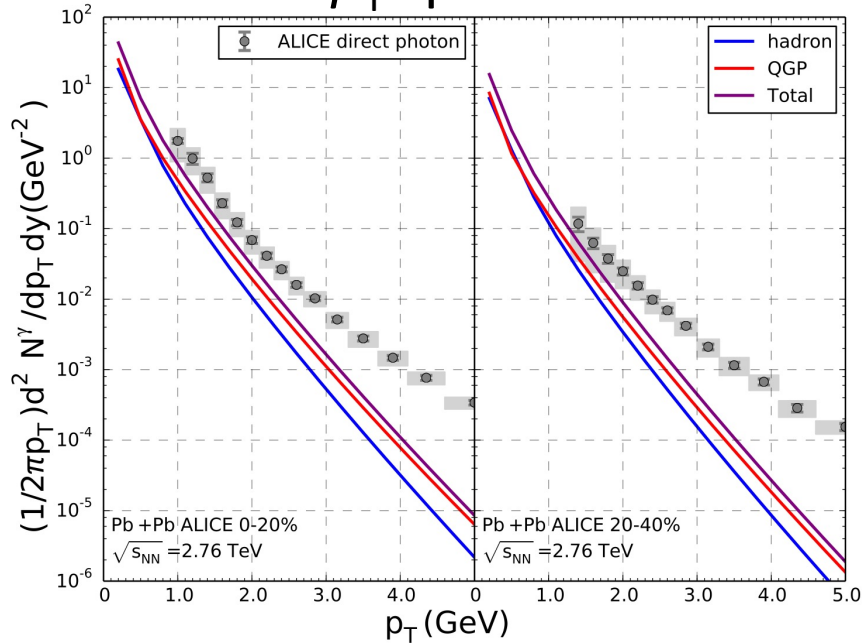
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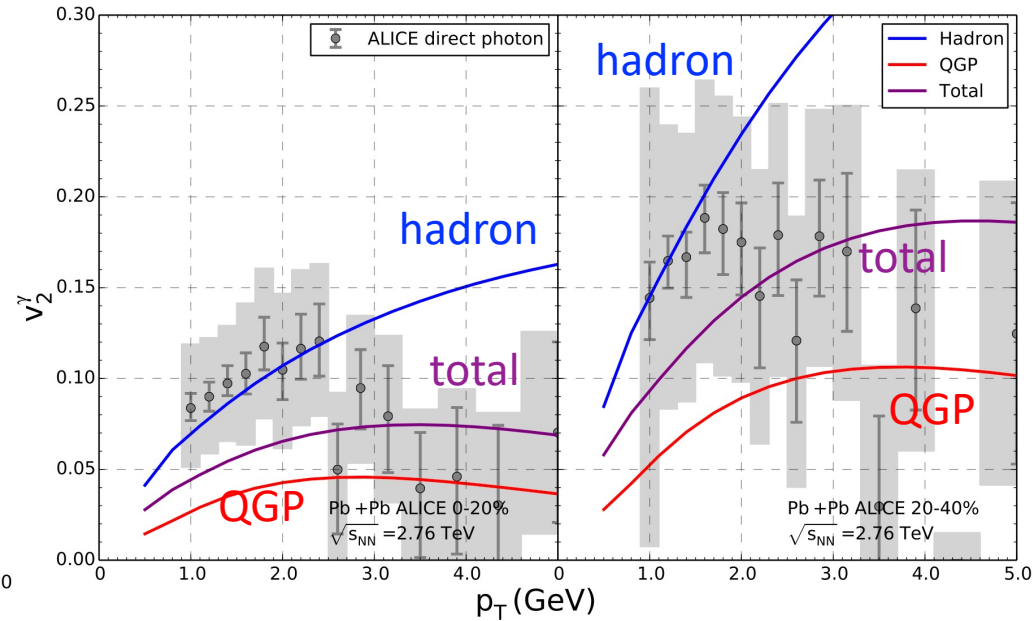
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p_T spectra



Elliptic flow

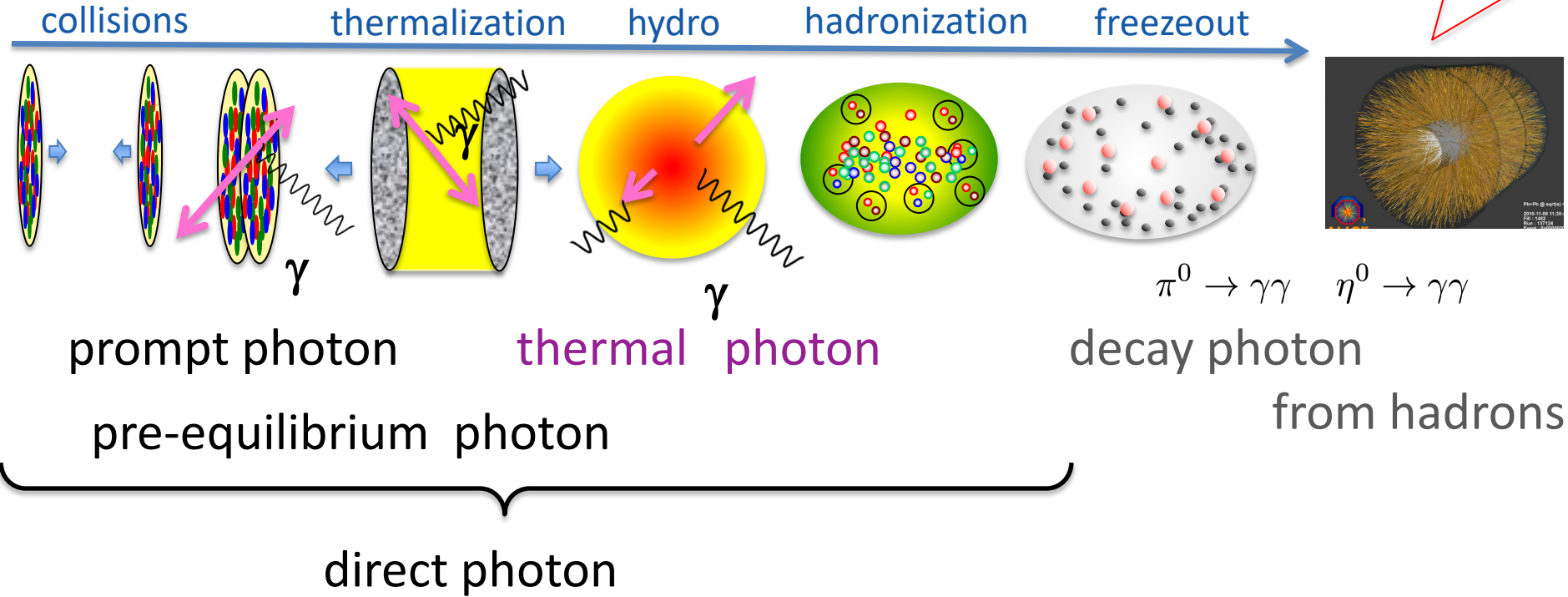


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Thermal photon is not enough for explanation.

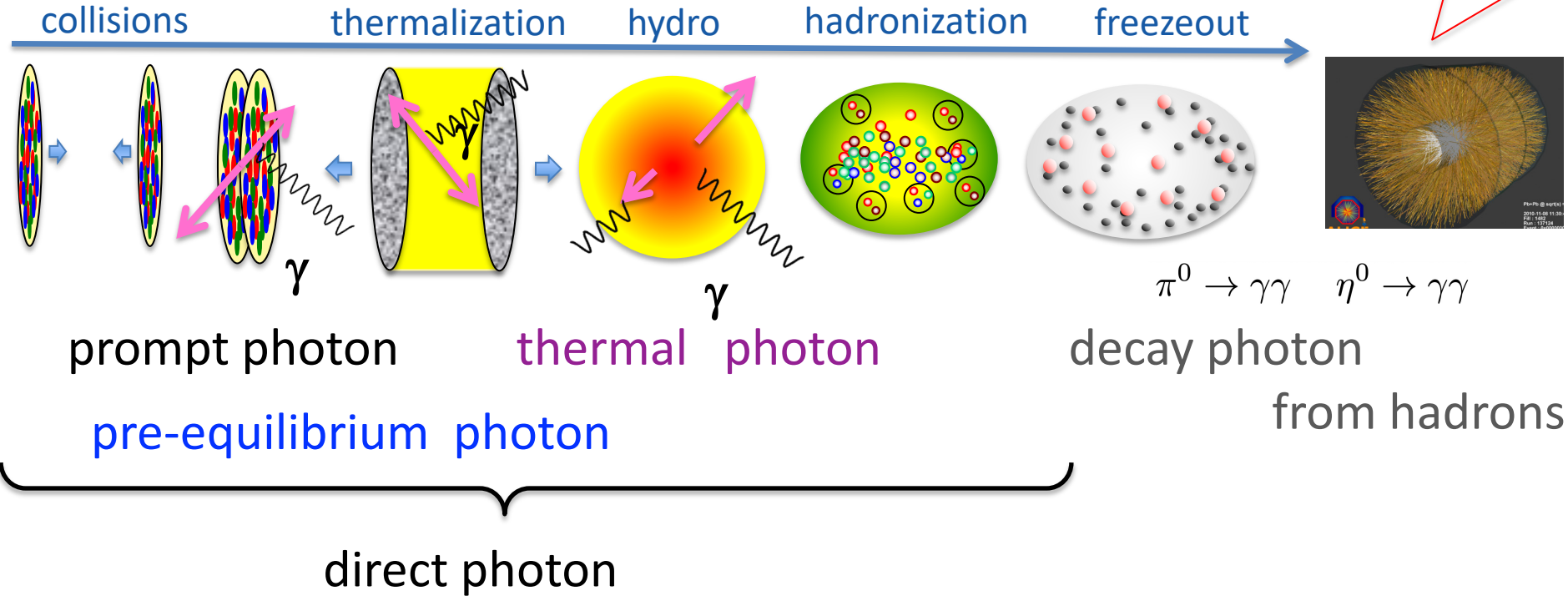
Photon Production at Hadronization

Experimental data



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Experimental data



Pre-equilibrium Glasma stage
Berges et al., PRC95,054904(2017)
Monnai, JPG47,075105(2020)

KOMPOST+hydro
Gale et al., PRC105,014909(2022)

radiative recombination

at hadronization

Radiative Recombination in QGP

Fujii, Itakura, CN, NPA 967 (2017)

One of Photon Production Processes

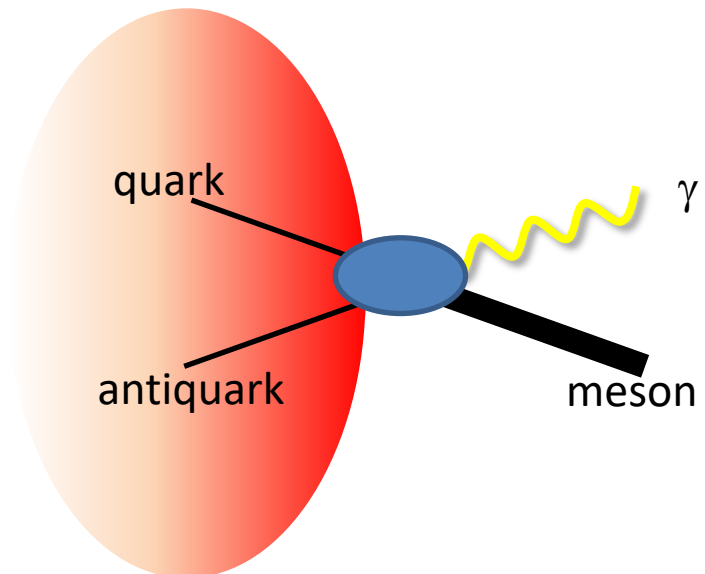
- Photon emission at hadronization process
 - Photon's flow is as strong as hadrons' flow.
- A photon is produced from pairing of quarks
 - Radiative recombination brings enhancement of photon yield.

Radiative Recombination in QGP

- Non perturbative process
- No inverse process in HIC
- Non equilibrium process

➡ Construction of dynamical model

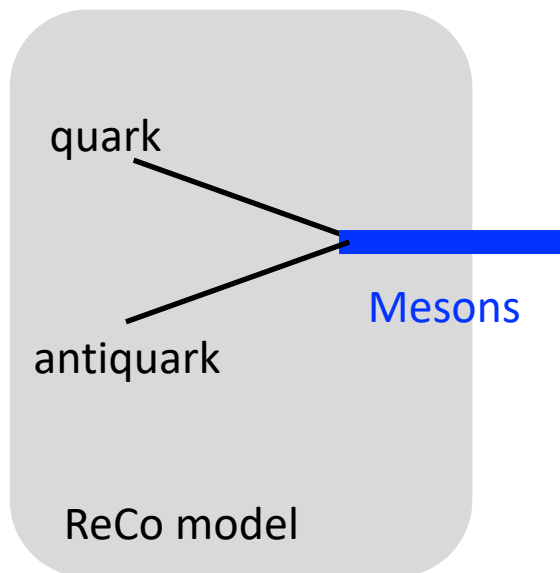
Recombination Model



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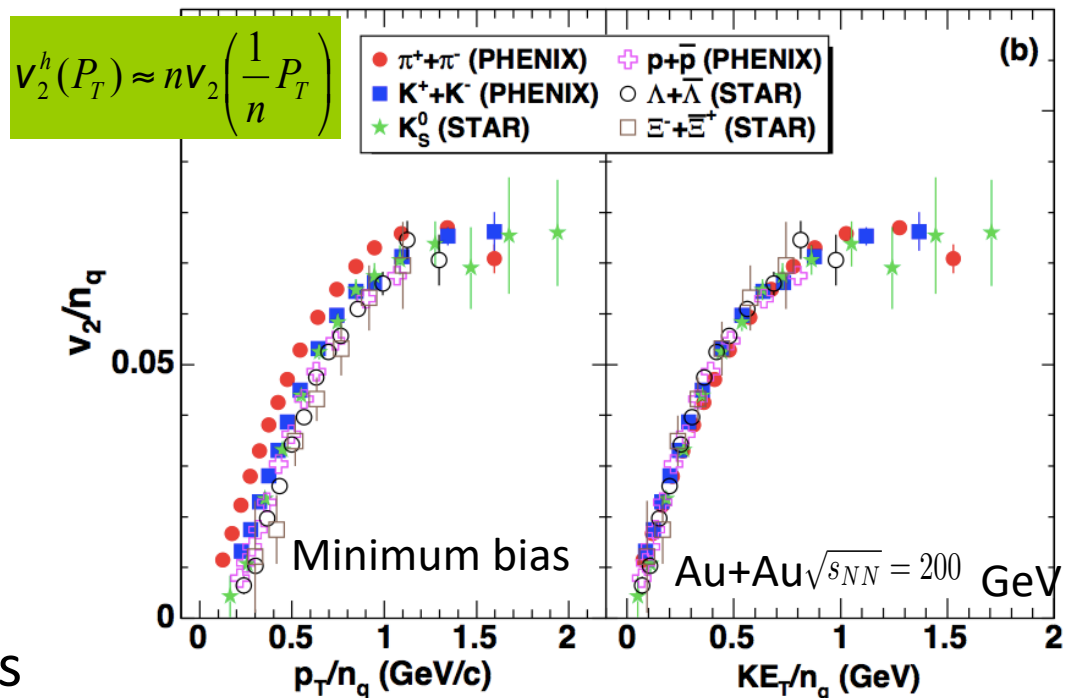
Fries, Mueller, CN and Bass, PRC68(2003)

- One of successful models



- Baryon/Meson ratios
- Nuclear modification factors
- Quark number scaling in elliptic flow

Ex: Quark number scaring

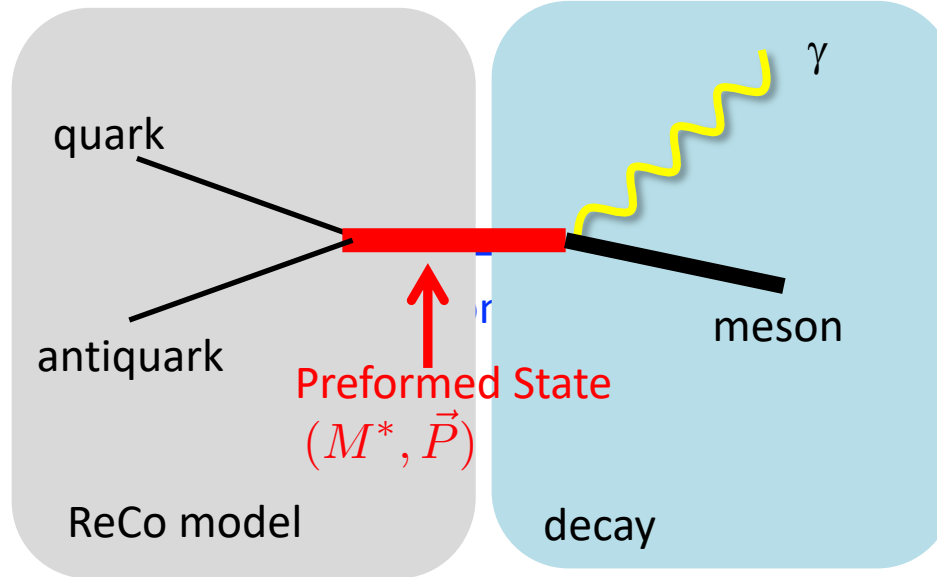


PHENIX, nucl-ex:0608033

ReCo with Photon Emission

- Entropy and Energy Conservation

Preformed state is produced through the recombination process.



Photons are emitted from decay of the preformed state.

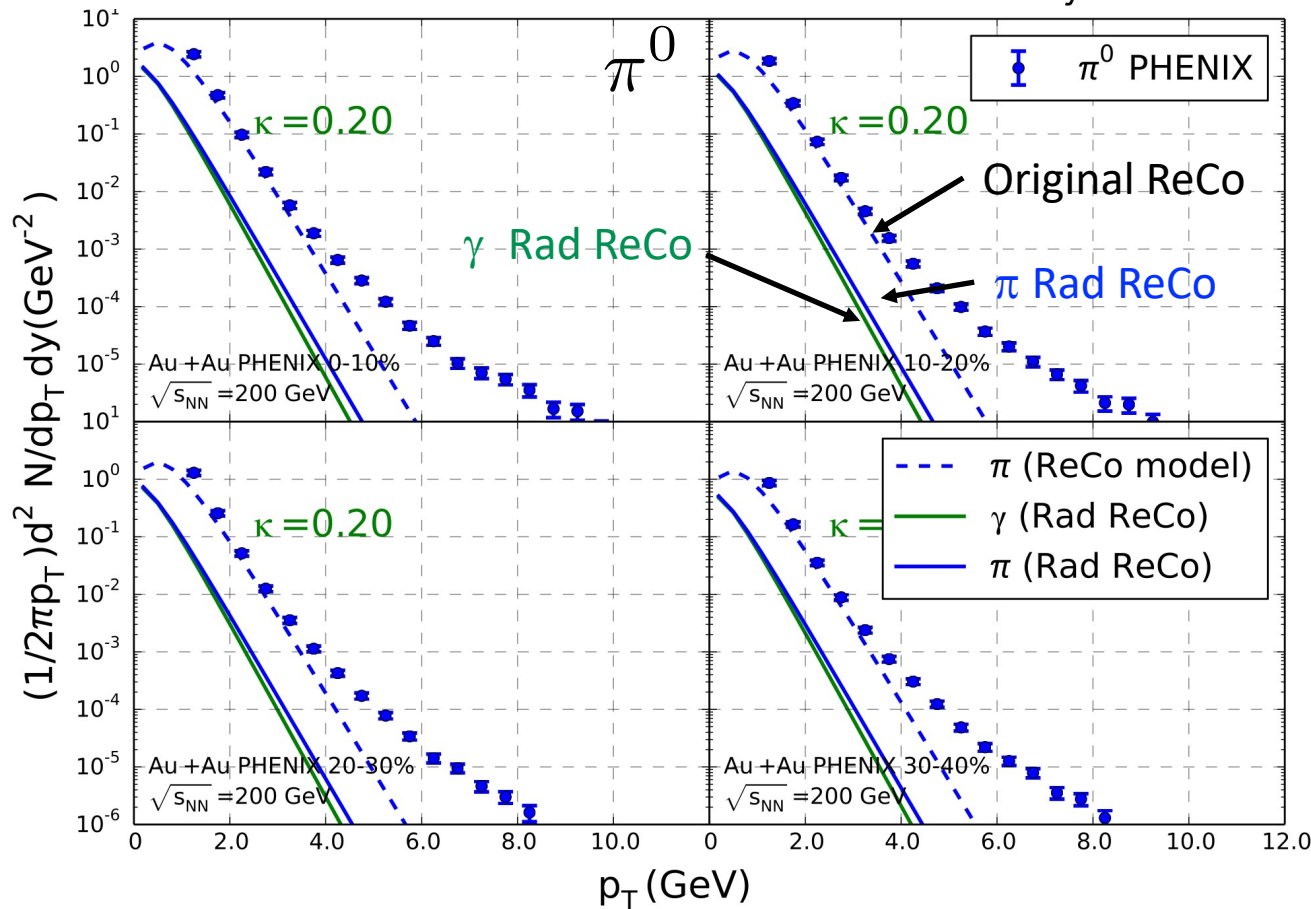
$$E_\gamma \frac{dN_\gamma}{d^3 k_\gamma} = \underbrace{\kappa}_{\text{normalization}} \int dM_* \rho(M_*) \int d^3 P \left(\frac{dN_{M_*}}{d^3 P} \right) \left(\varepsilon_\gamma \frac{dn_\gamma(M_*, P)}{d^3 k_\gamma} \right)$$

Preformed state

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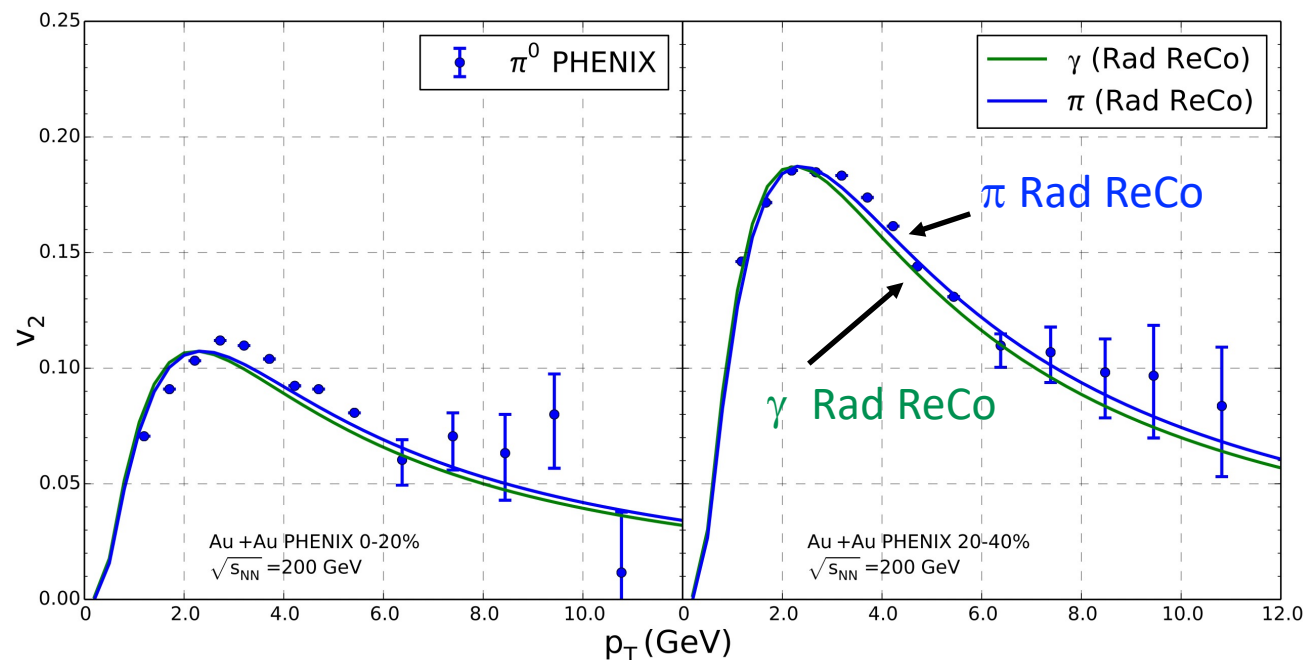


- κ is determined from γ yield.
- Yield of π from Rad ReCo is much smaller than that from original ReCo.
- Rad ReCo does not affect the feature of original ReCo.
- Quark number scaling keeps.

RHIC: Elliptic Flow from Rad ReCo

- $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV Au+Au collisions

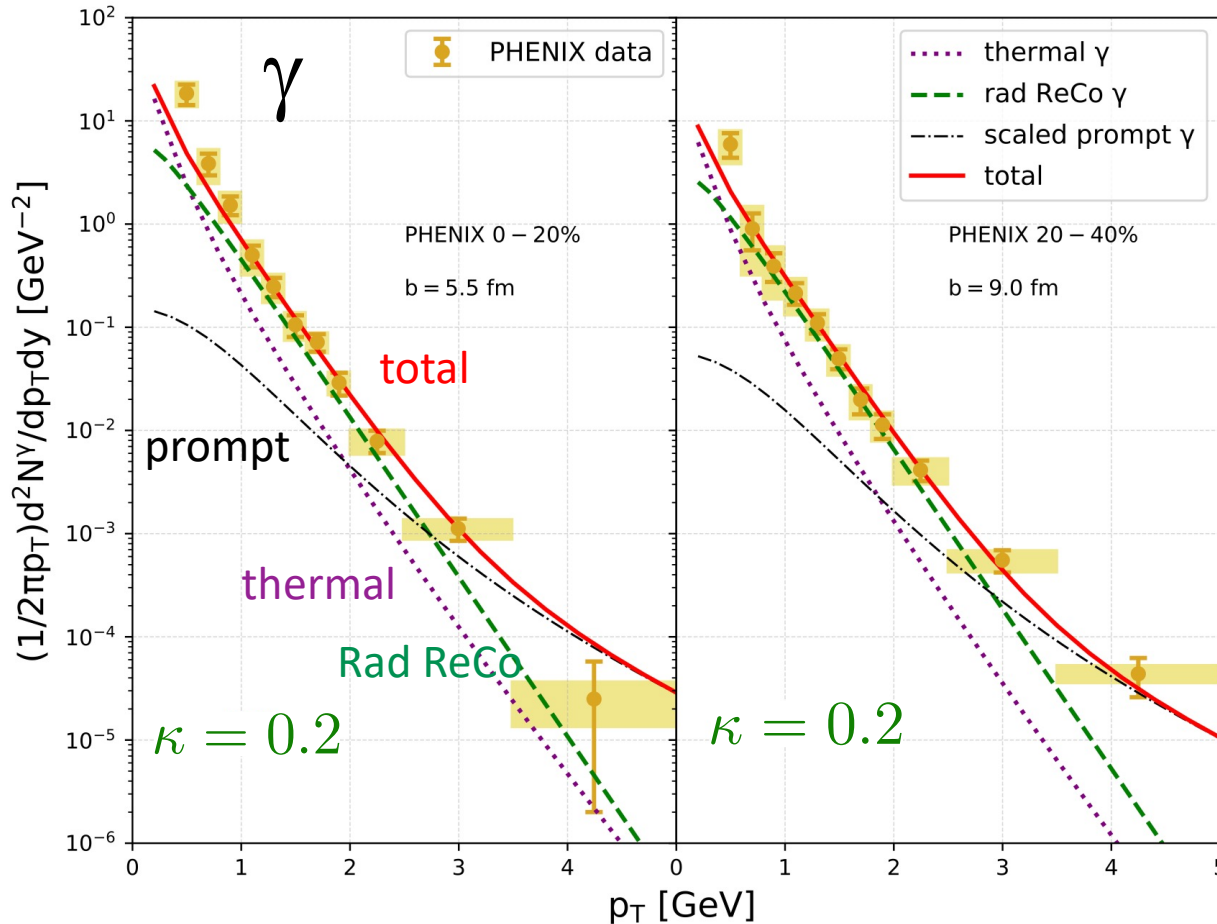
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- Photon's $v_2 \sim \pi$'s v_2
- Quark number scaling keeps.

RHIC: Prompt + Thermal + Rad ReCo

- $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200\text{GeV}$ Au+Au collisions



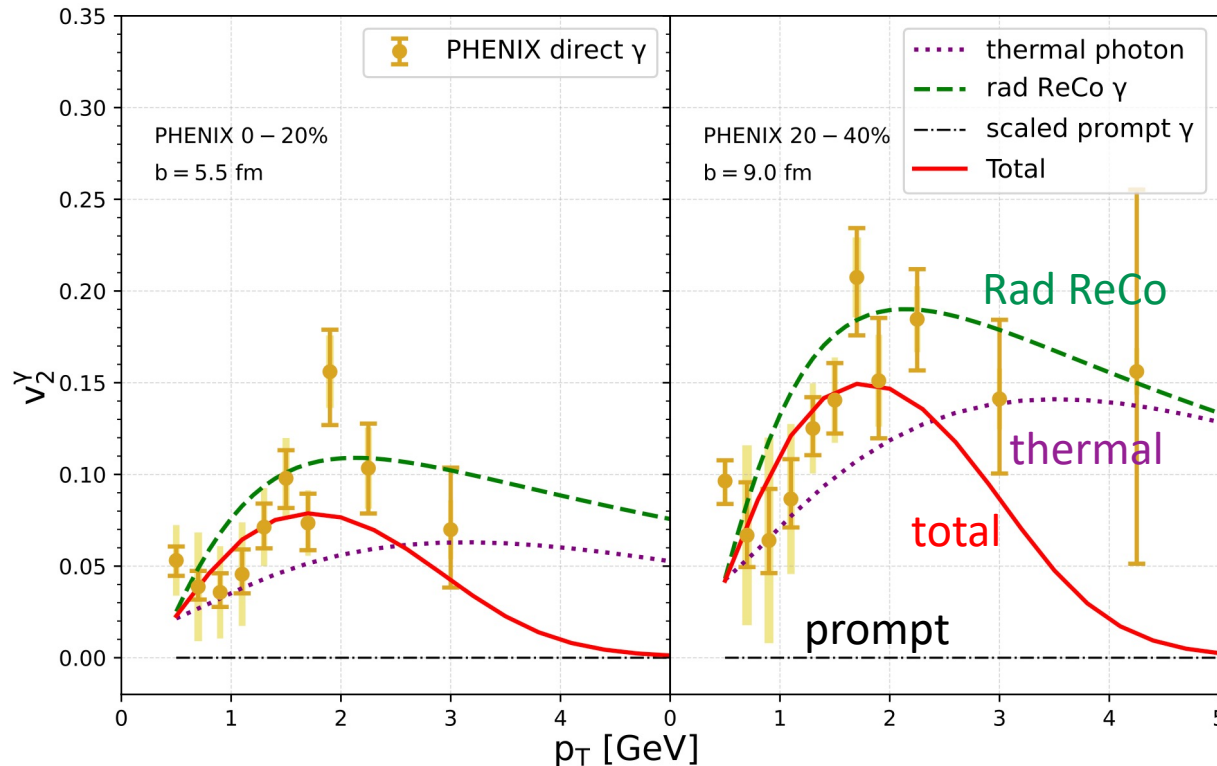
- $\kappa=0.2$ is determined from γ yield.
- At low p_T , thermal photon is dominant.
- In $1 < p_T < 3$ GeV, radiative recombination plays an important role.
- At high p_T , prompt photon becomes a main source.

- Deficit of photon yield is filled with radiative recombination.

RHIC: Prompt + Thermal + Rad ReCo

- $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV Au+Au collisions

Elliptic flow



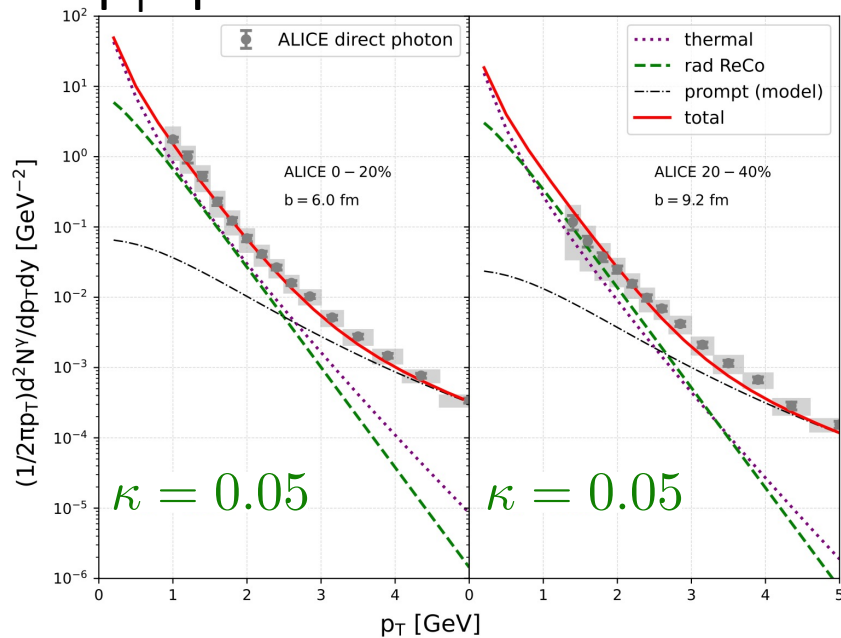
- At low p_T , v_2 becomes large due to radiative recombination.
- At high p_T , prompt photon makes v_2 small.

- Total photon's v_2 is as large as experimental data.

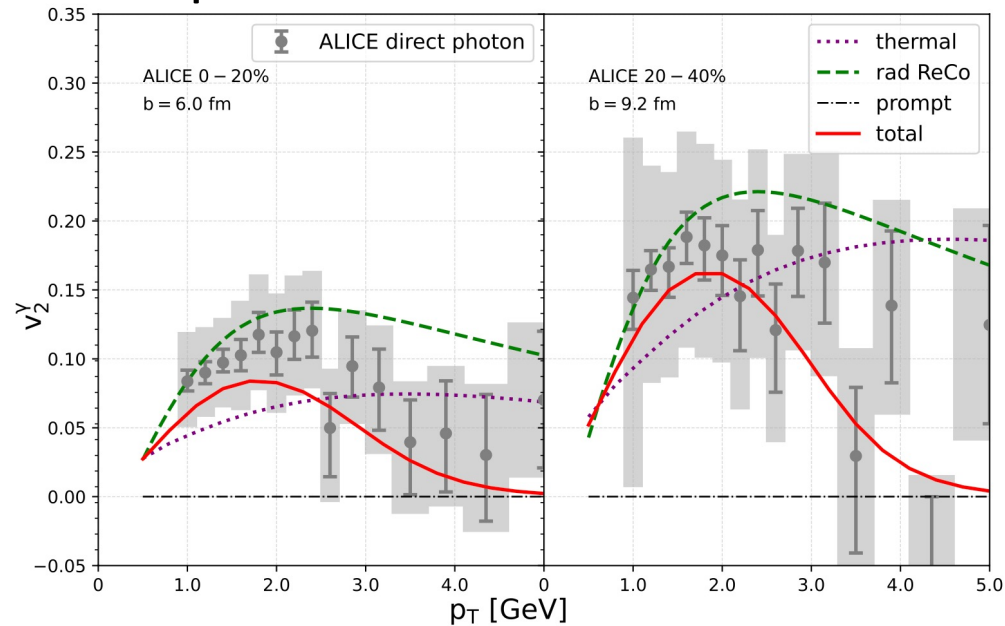
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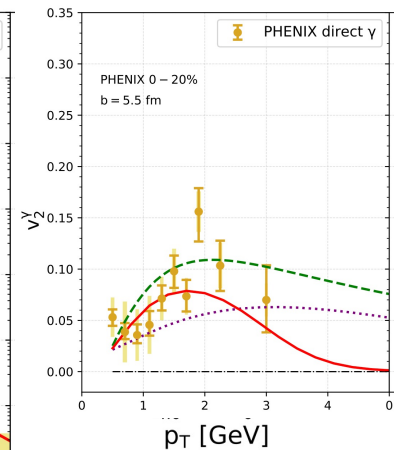
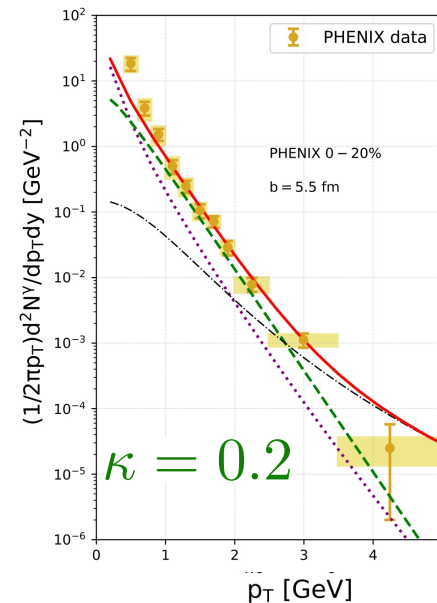
- Radiative Recombination makes photon's yields and flows enlarge at the same time.

Summary

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Comprehensive analyses for photon production at RHIC and the LHC

- New photon production source at hadronization: Radiative recombination model
- Thermal photons from the state-of-the-art hydrodynamic model.
- Discussions
 - Interpretation of κ ?
 - Preformed state?



Back Up

Thermal Photons

- How to analyze v_2 of thermal photons

[Paquet et al. PRC 93 (2016) 4, 044906.]

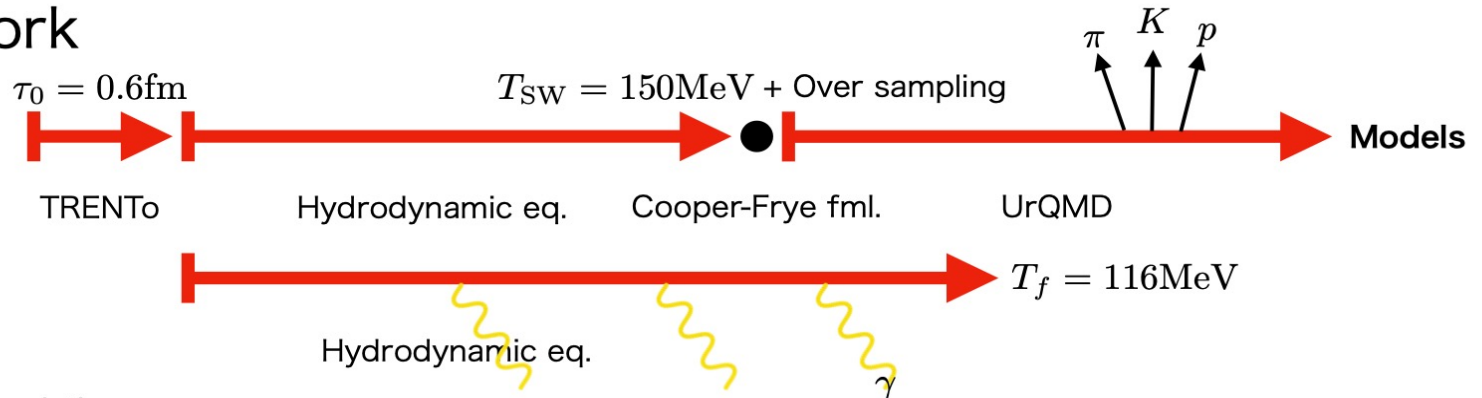
- Experiment

Event plane method (Event plane is determined by hadron correlation.)

Inclusive photons — Decay photons

$$v_n^{\text{dir}} = \frac{R_\gamma v_n^{\text{inc}} - v_n^{\text{dec}}}{R_\gamma - 1}$$

- In this work



photon-hadron correlations

$$v_2^s = \frac{\int dp_T dy d\phi \left(E \frac{d^3 N^s}{d^3 p} \right) \cos [2 (\phi - \Psi_2^s)]}{\int dp_T dy d\phi \left(E \frac{d^3 N^s}{d^3 p} \right)}$$

$$v_2^\gamma \{EP\} (p_T^\gamma) = \frac{\langle v_2^\gamma (p_T^\gamma) v_2^h \cos (n (\Psi_2^\gamma (p_T^\gamma) - \Psi_2^h)) \rangle}{\sqrt{\langle (v_2^h)^2 \rangle}}$$

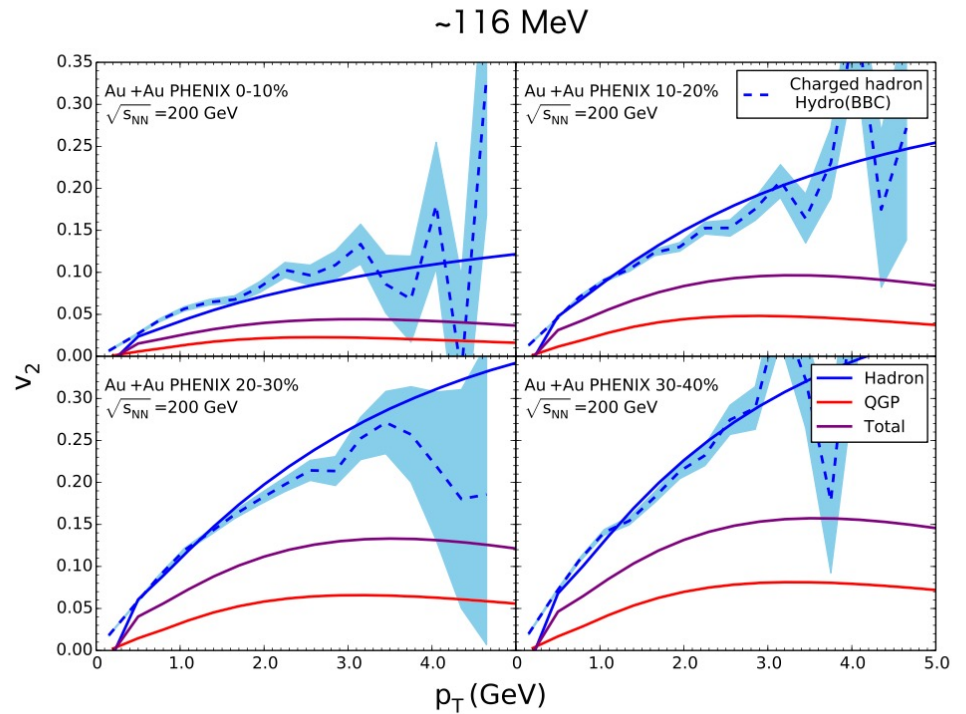
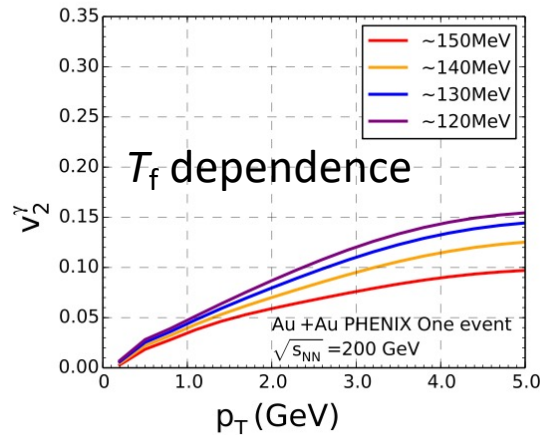
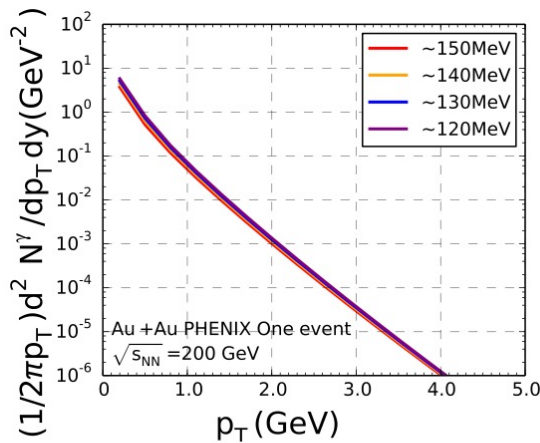
T_f Dependence

- Tf dependence

QGP phase

Phase transition

Hadron phase



By courtesy of Miyachi

Characteristic Features

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$\delta(M^* - 2M_q)$

Recombination

$$E_{M_*} \left. \frac{dN_{M_*}}{d^3 P} \right|_{\eta=0} \sim [\omega_p(p)]^2$$

thermal distribution of quarks

$$\sim e^{-P_T/T_{\text{eff}}^*}$$

$$T_{\text{eff}}^* = T_{\text{reco}} \sqrt{\frac{1+v_T}{1-v_T}}$$

blue shifted with transvers flow

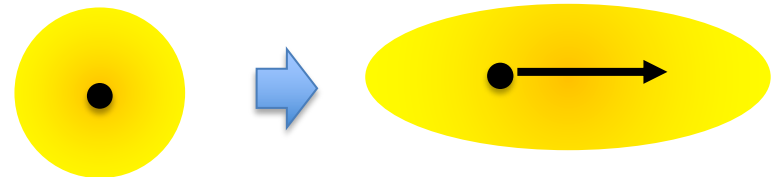
T_{reco} : hadronization temperature
in original ReCo

Photon

$$\epsilon_\gamma \frac{dn_\gamma}{d^3 k_\gamma} = c \delta(k_{CM}^\gamma(M_*, P) - k_0)$$

$$k_0 = \frac{M_*^2 - M^2}{2M_*}$$

Photons are emitted from moving
resonance.



Isotropic at rest

squeezed with boost

Features of the Model (2D)

$$M^* \rightarrow M + \gamma$$

- P_T distribution

- M and γ : shift to low P_T
- Kinematics: threshold value

– T_{eff} :

$$T_{\text{eff}}(M) \sim T_*$$

$$T_{\text{eff}}(\gamma) = \left(1 - \frac{M^2}{M_*^2}\right) T_*$$

- Elliptic flow

$$v_2^M(K_T) \sim v_2^{M_*}(P_T)$$

$$v_2^\gamma(k_T) \sim v_2^{M_*} \left(\frac{k_T}{1 - \frac{M^2}{M_*^2}} \right)$$

momentum shift

- Quark Number Scaling

