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Strong-interaction matter
under extreme conditions

Exploring 3D structure of Glasma

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Motivation

- Space time dynamics dominated by hydrodynamics expansion which requires macroscopic properties of initial state as an input.

- **Boost invariance** is a good “**approximation**” that have been exhaustively studied.

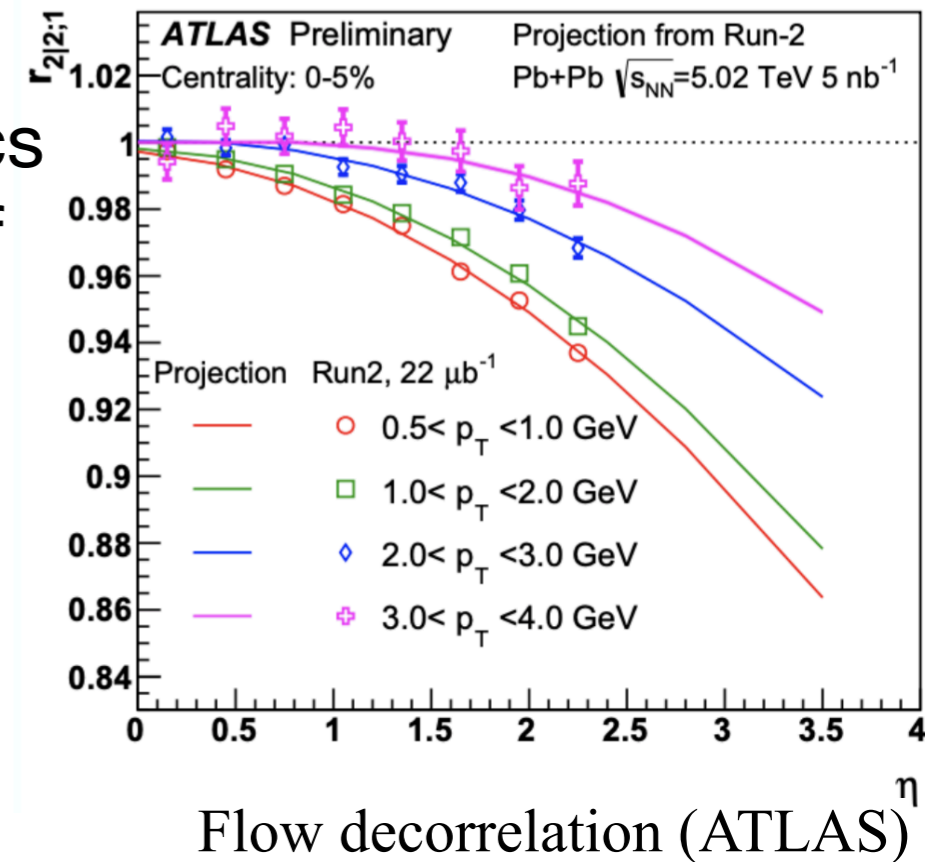
- New measurements at RHIC and LHC indicates towards the presence of **longitudinal dynamics**

- Available 3+1D models:

Generalisation of 2+1D CGC model [arXiv:1605.07158](#) [arXiv:2001.08636](#), ...

Phenomenological model [arXiv:1506.02817](#) [arXiv:1509.04103](#), ...

3D CGC (Coloured particle in cell method) [arXiv:1605.07184](#)



[arXiv:1709.02301](#)

The effective theory

- Earliest stage of collision is described well using **Color glass condensate**, an effective theory.

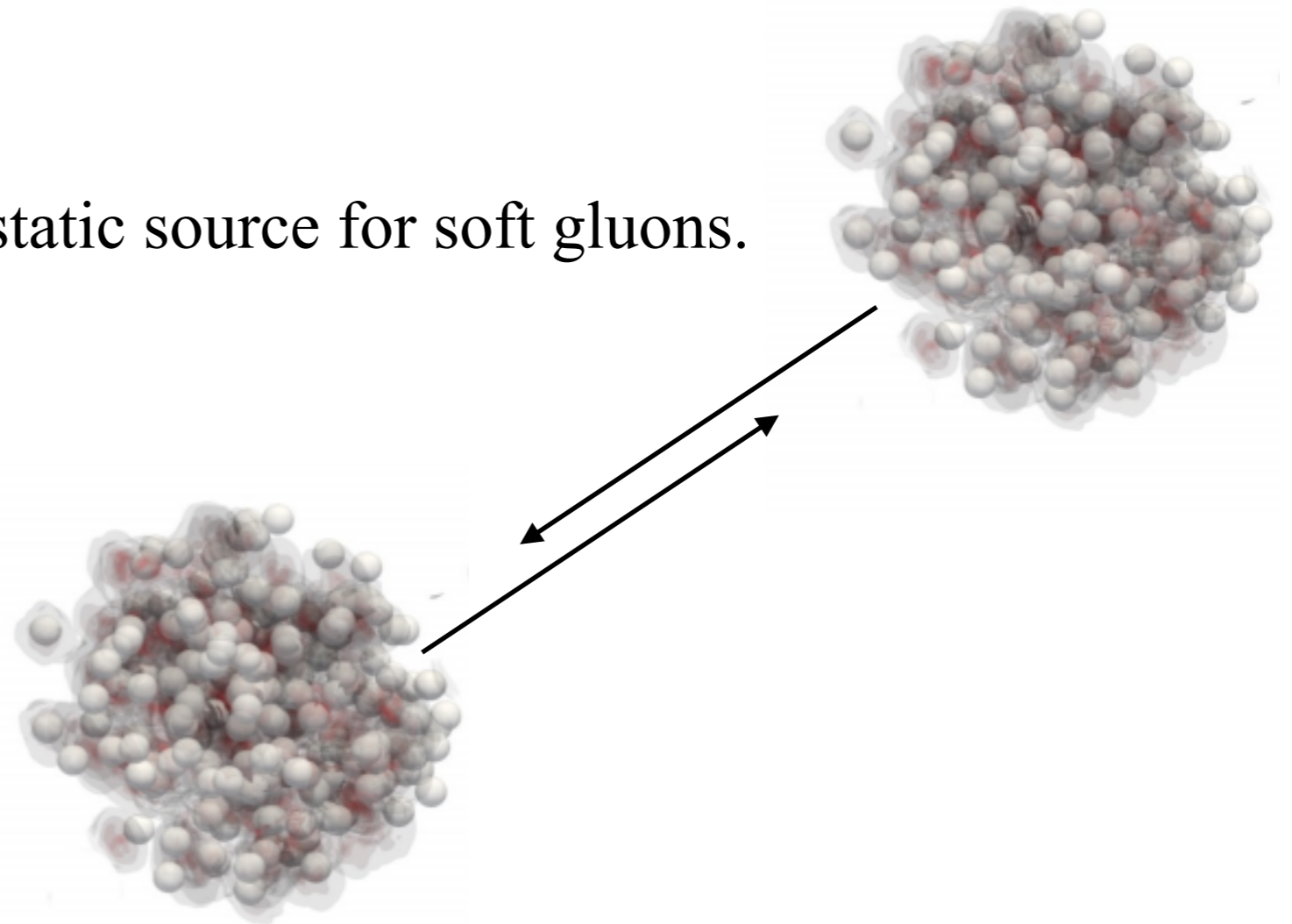
[McLerran, Venugopalan PRD49 (1994) 2233-2241, Kovner, McLerran, Weigert D52 (1995) 6231-6237]

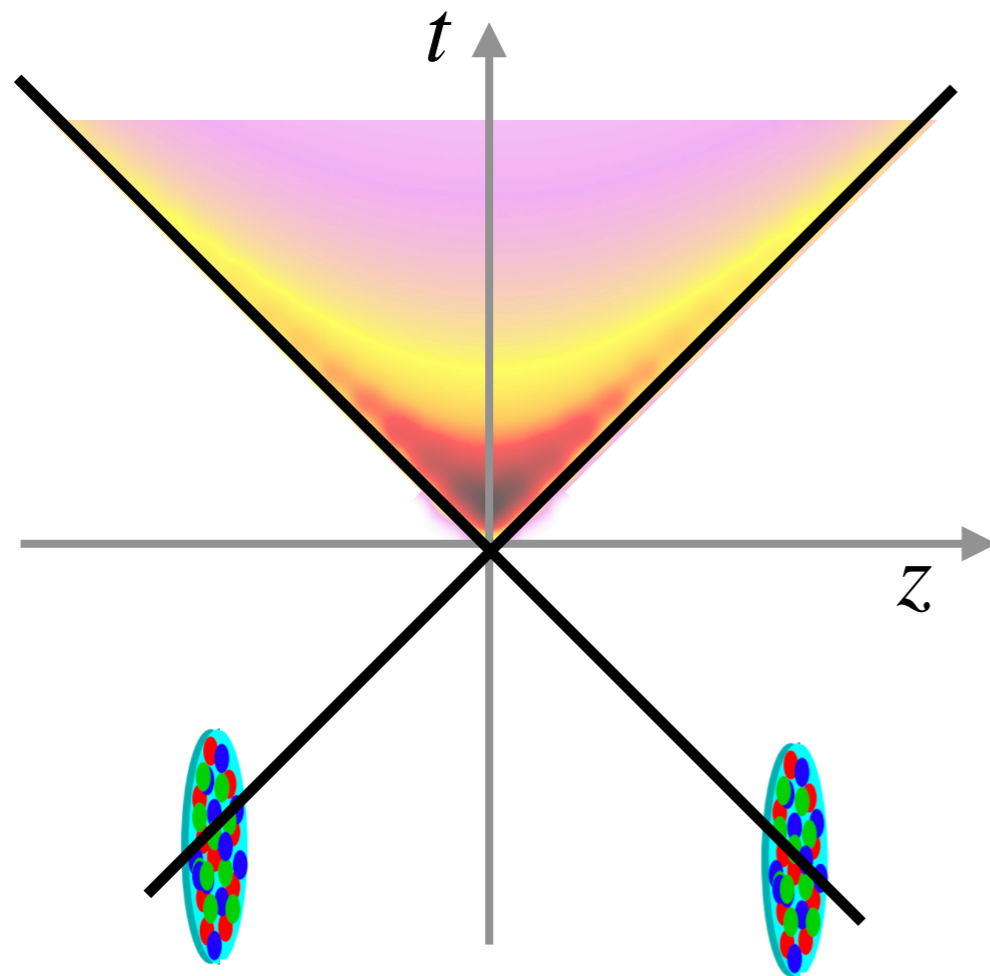
- Separation of scale at very high energies

Hard constituents

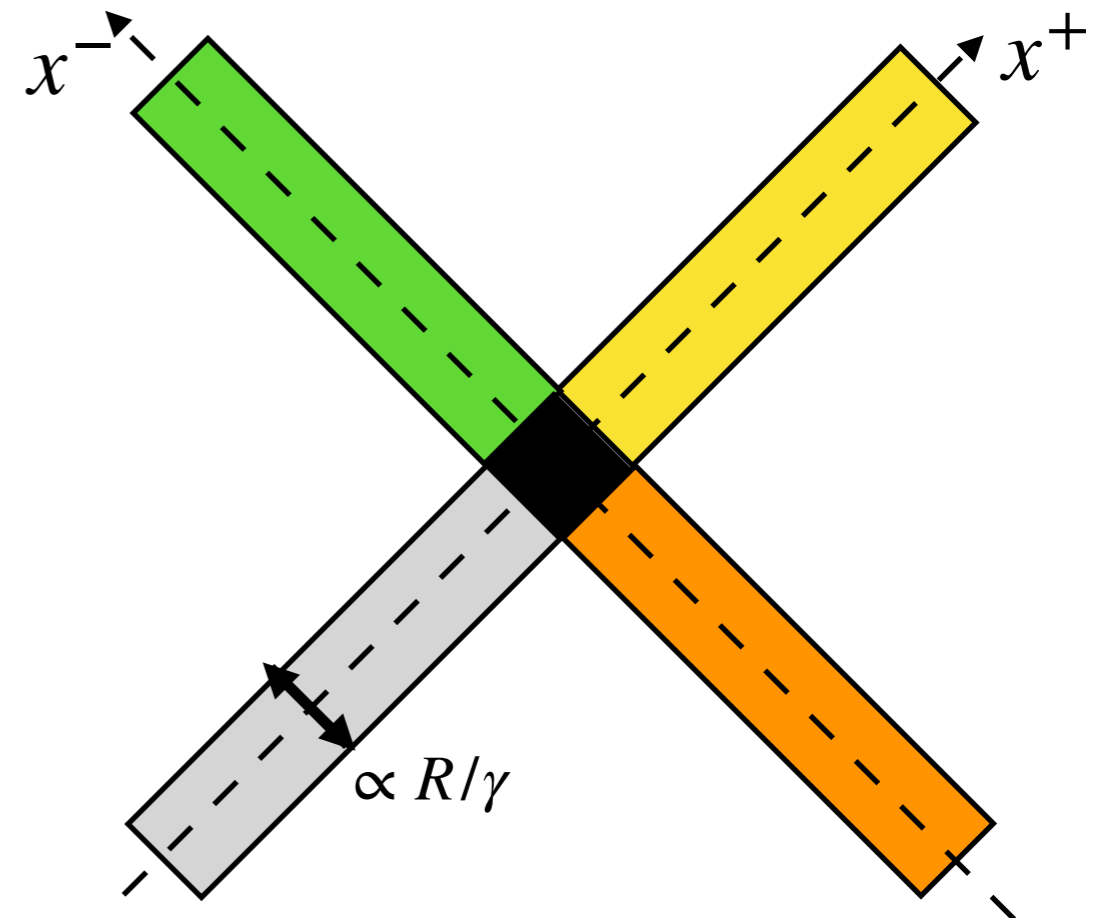
Soft gluons

- Hard partons acts as a random static source for soft gluons.
- Initial energy deposition can be obtained by solving classical Yang-Mills equation.





“Boost-invariant collision”



“Realistic collision”

- Collisional overlap region becomes extended in t, z
- No longer have access to analytical solutions for initial conditions in the forward light-cone

3+1D Glasma simulations

Solve 3+1D classical Yang-Mills equations & evolution equations for eikonal currents, before, during and after the collision

1. Sample 3D distribution of color charges $\rho(x^\pm, x_\perp)$ in each half boxes.
2. Solve for Weizsäcker-Williams fields (WW) of the incoming nuclei.
3. Evolve gauge fields and corresponding conjugate momenta according to the discretised 3+1D YM

$$[D_\mu, F^{\mu\nu}] = J^\nu$$

4. Evolve eikonal currents according to continuity equation.

$$[D_\mu, J^\mu] = 0$$

5. Solve 3. and 4. simultaneously to simulate early time dynamics of collision in 3+1D



Glasma in 3+1D

- A. Toy Model Charges**
- B. Physical Charges**

3+1 D Glasma simulations

Before addressing full complexity of colliding nuclei, consider a simple extension of McLerran-Venugopalan model

$$\langle \rho^a(x^+, x_\perp) \rangle = 0$$
$$\langle \rho^a(x^+, x_\perp) \rho^b(y^+, y_\perp) \rangle = \delta^{ab} Q_s^2 \delta^2(x_\perp - y_\perp) f_\sigma\left(\frac{x^+ + y^+}{2}\right)$$

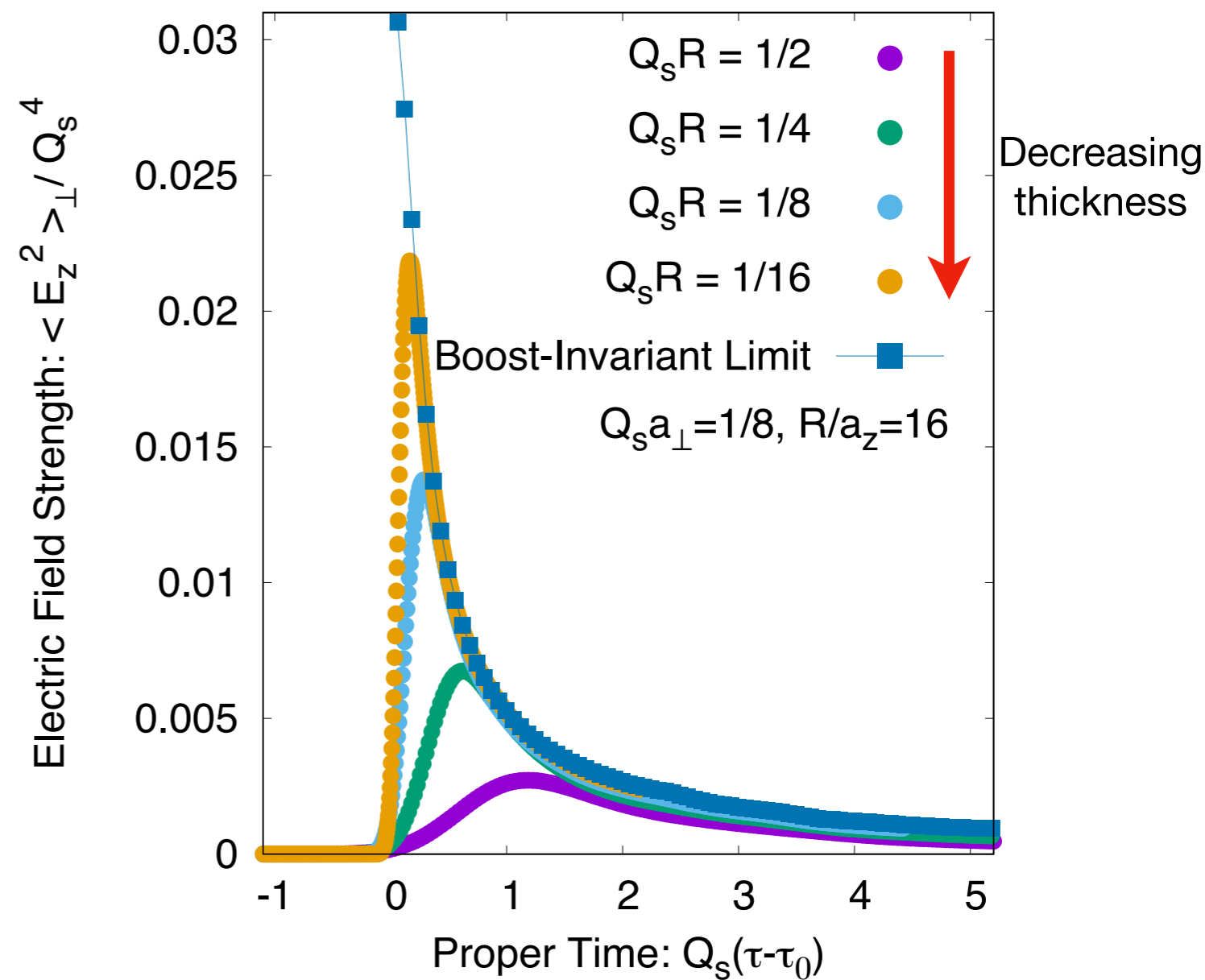
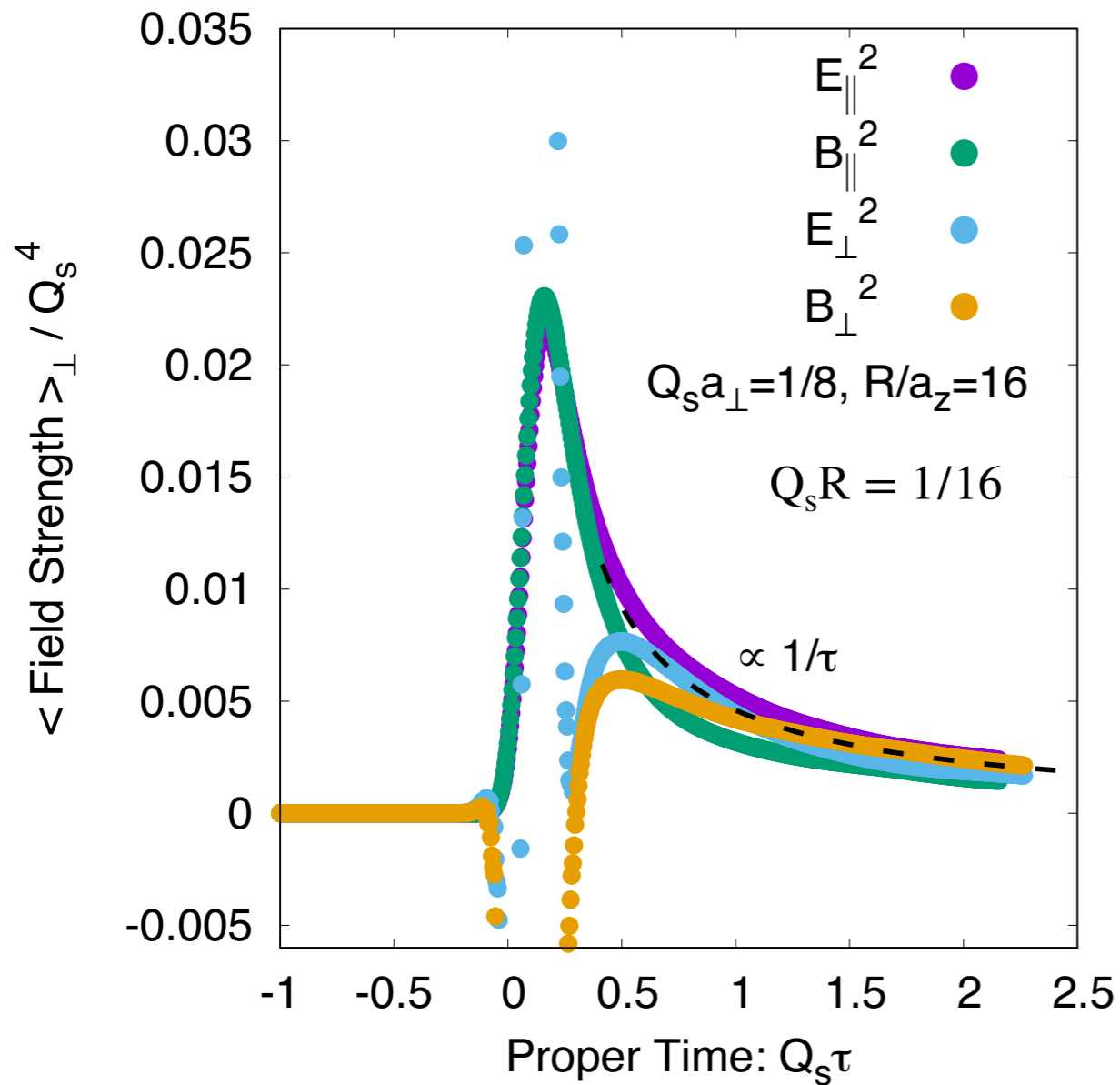
- ◆ nuclei are transverse homogenous
- ◆ no fluctuations of longitudinal distribution of color charges, except for average Gaussian profile

$$f_\sigma(x^+) \sim \exp(- (x^+/R)^2)$$



Single scale Q_s controlling energy deposition, and dimensionless parameter $Q_s R$ controlling thickness of Lorentz contracted nuclei

Toy Model Charges



Evolution of **glasma fields before and after** the collision.

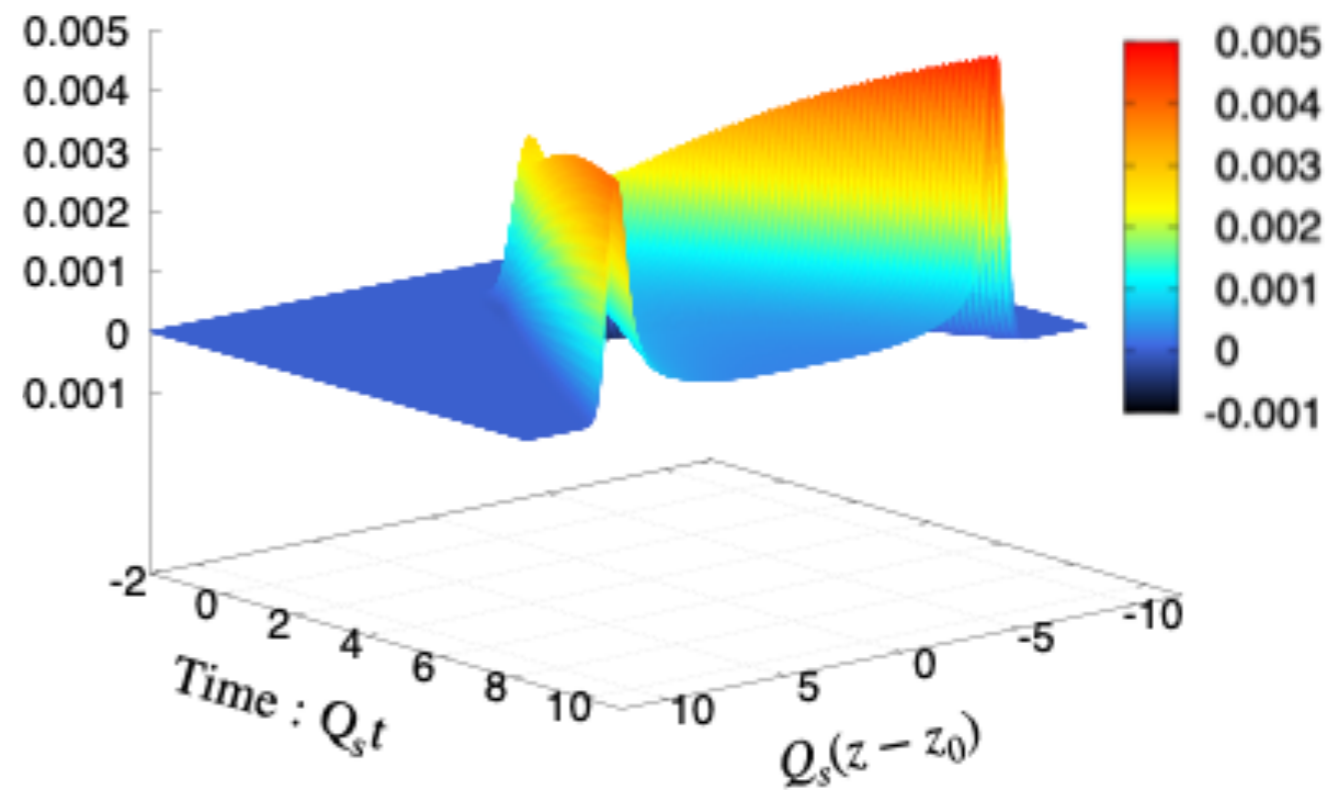
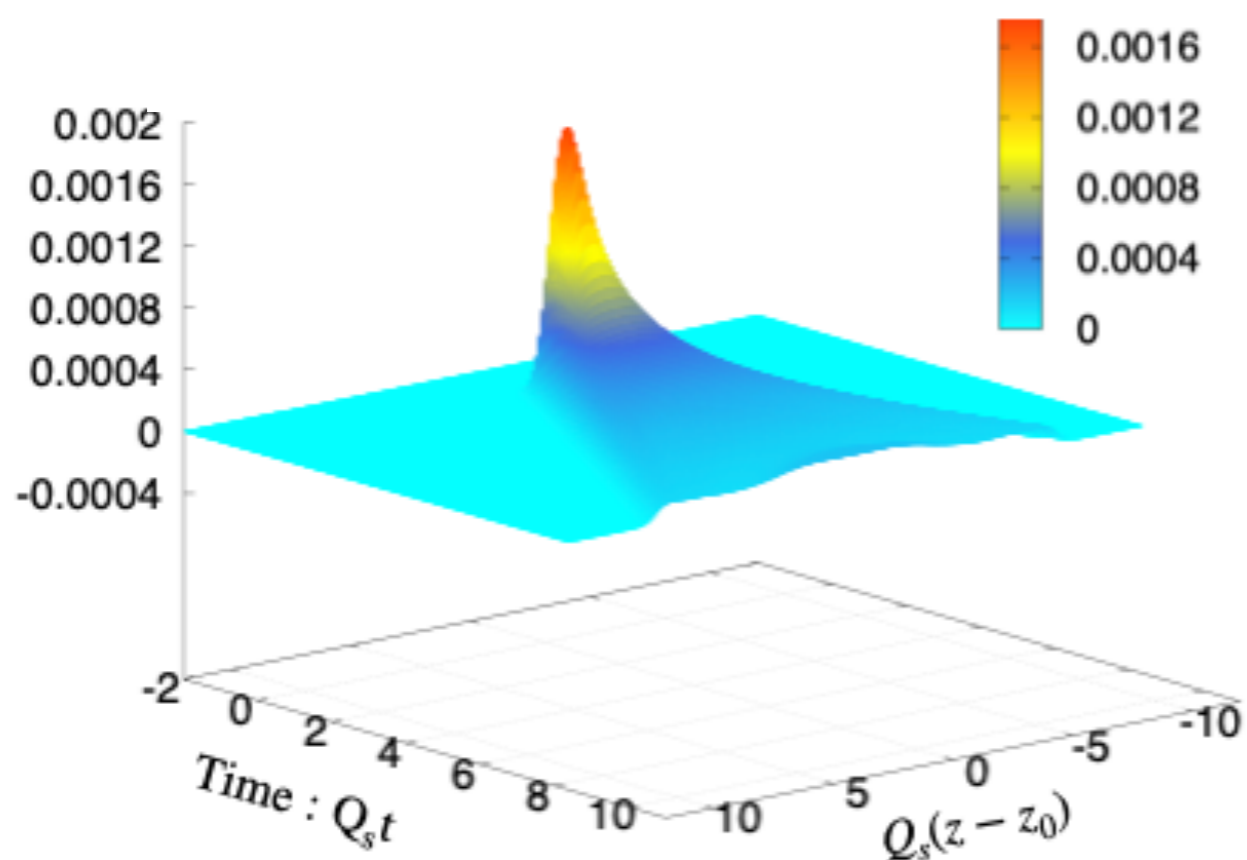
$$E_{Glasma}^2(t, z) = E^2(t, z) - E_{WW}^2(t, z)$$

Exploring the full space-time dynamics

$$Q_s R = 1/2$$

$$\text{Transverse Pressure} : \left\langle \frac{T^{xx} + T^{yy}}{2} \right\rangle_{\perp} / Q_s^4$$

$$\text{Energy Density} : \langle T^{00} \rangle_{\perp} / Q_s^4$$



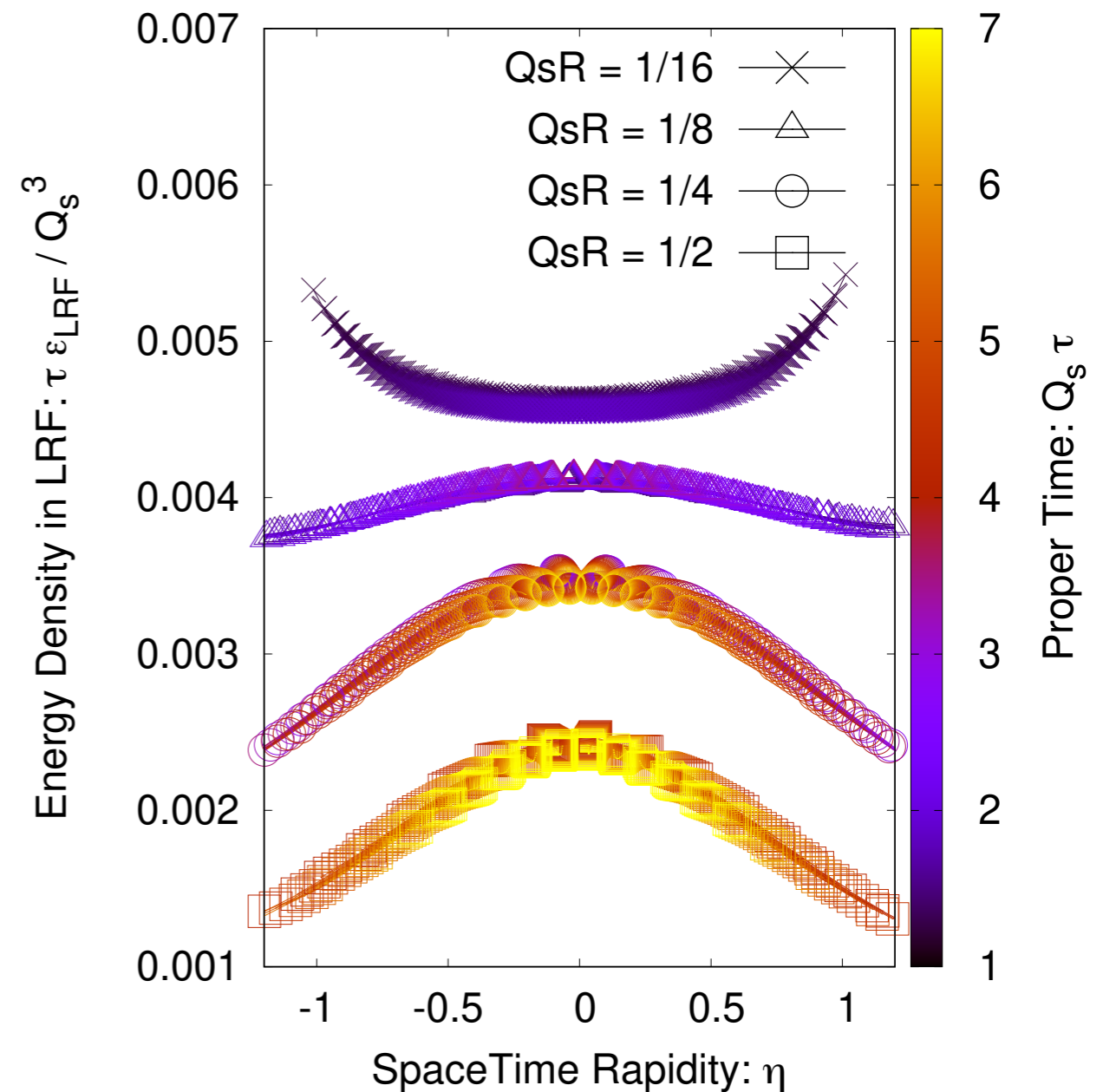
Sensible space-time profiles for transverse pressure, but surprisingly large energy density near the light-cones

Rapidity Profiles

- Observable highly sensitive to the choice of origin.
- Use local energy rest frame.

$$\epsilon_{LRF} = \frac{1}{2} \left(T^{00} - T^{zz} + \sqrt{(T^{00} + T^{zz})^2 - 4T^{0z}T^{0z}} \right)$$

- Limited rapidity window.
- Breaking boost invariance with increasing thickness



Collision with (semi-) realistic charge distribution

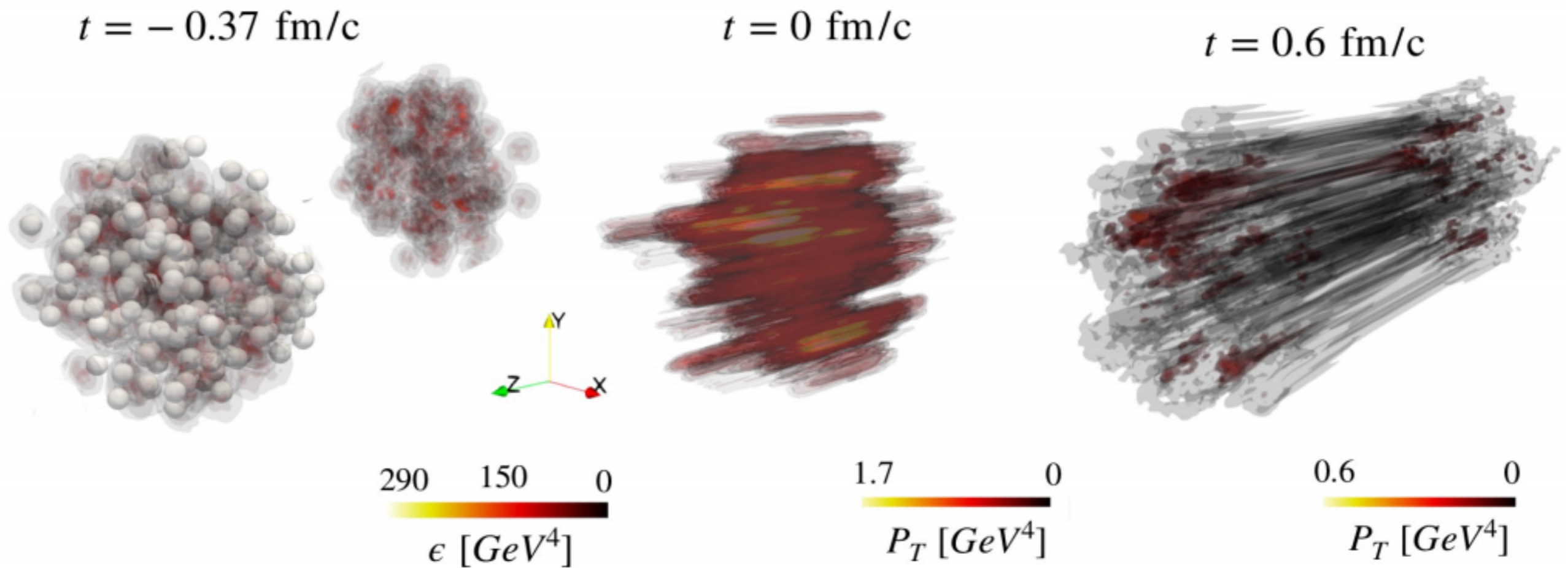
- Model of three dimensional structure of the color charge distribution based on **small-x transverse momentum distribution** (TMDs).

$$\langle \rho^a(x) \rho^b(y) \rangle = \delta^{ab} T\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) \Gamma(x-y)$$

- $\tilde{\Gamma}(x-y)$ describes the momentum dependence of color charge inside the nucleus. **Parametrised by TMDs.**
- $T\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right)$ tells about the spatial structure.
Obtained using **Monte Carlo Glauber** model.



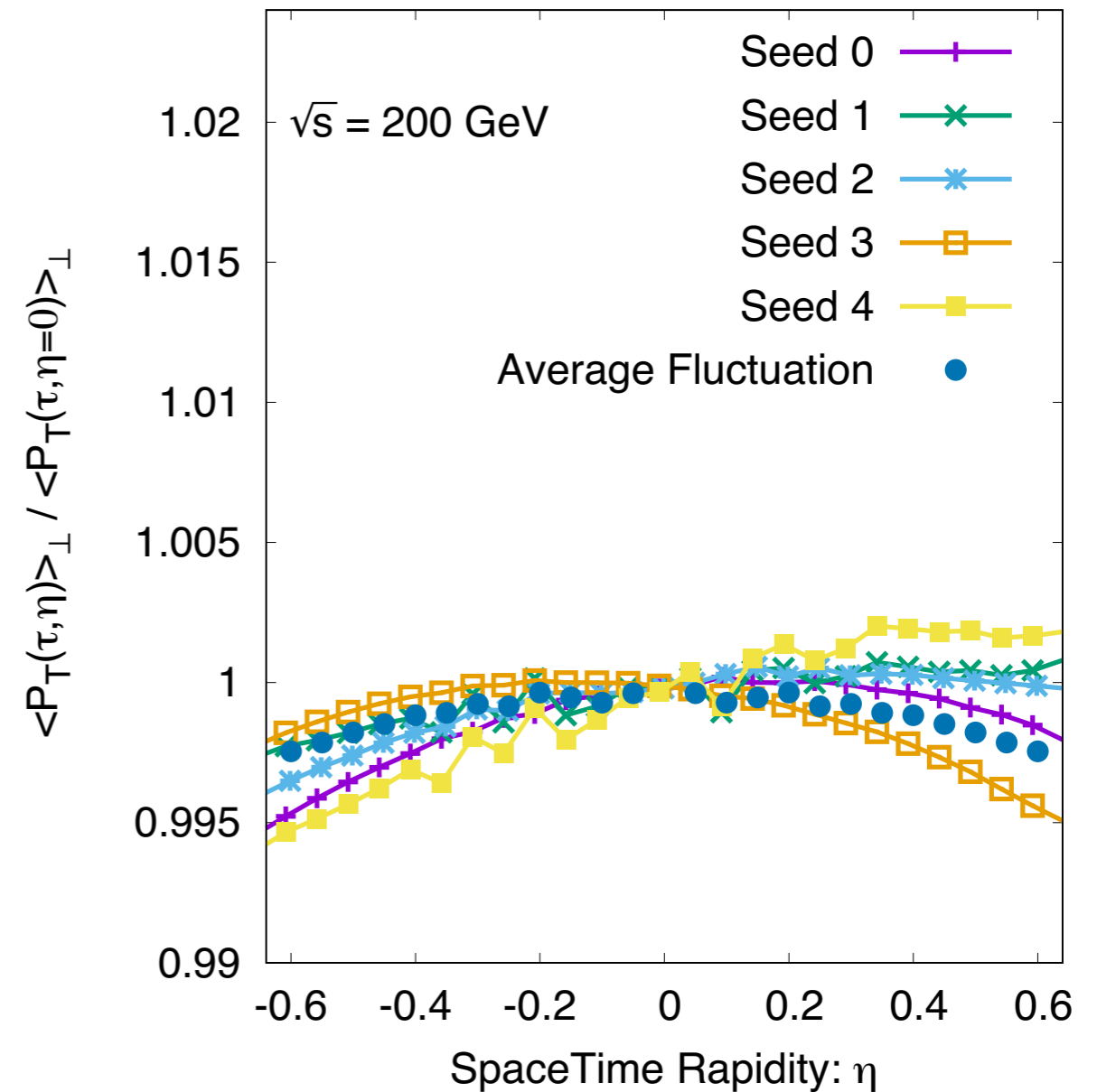
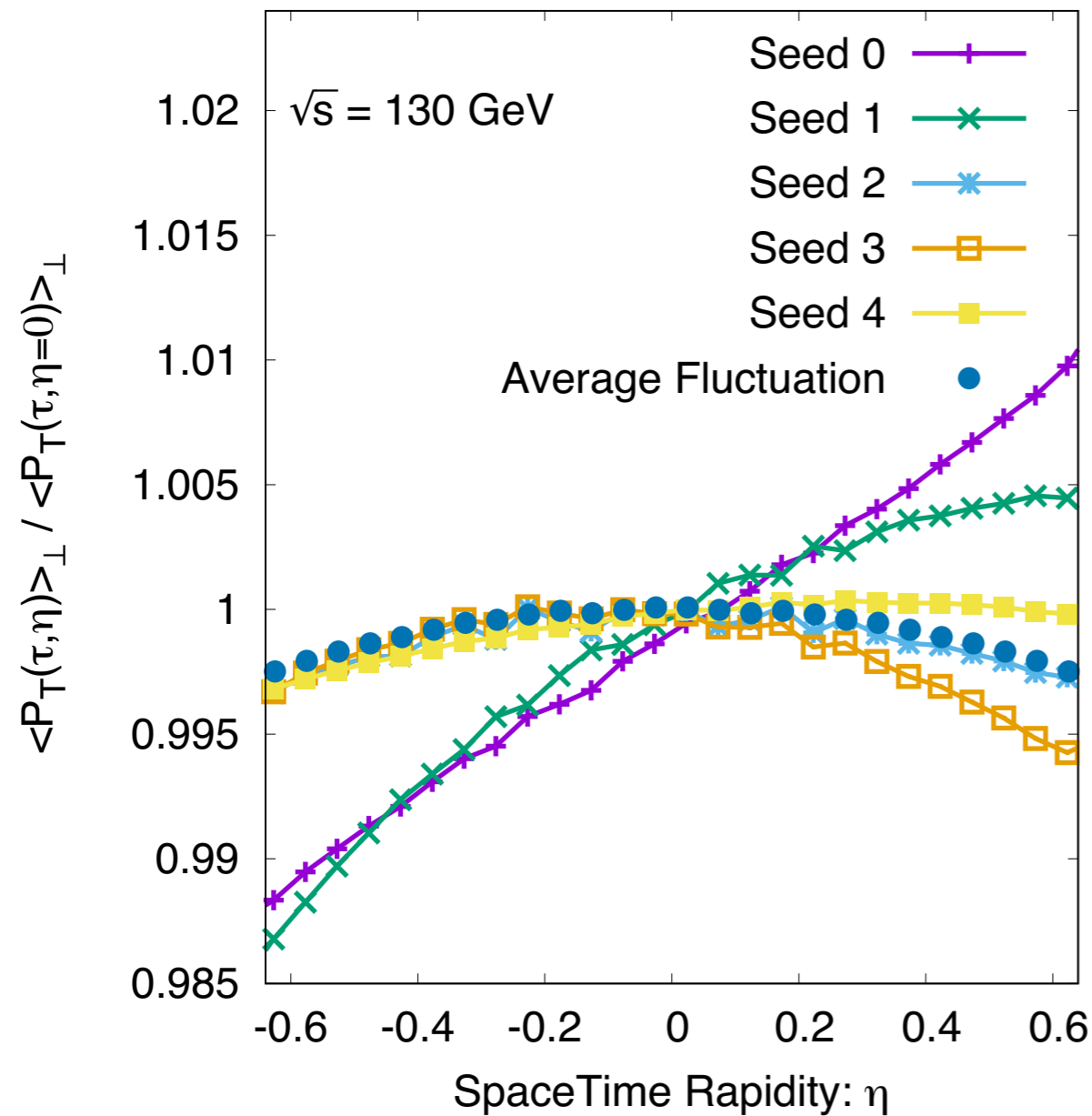
Effect of fluctuation at RHIC energies



$$Q_S a_{\perp} = 0.33$$

Au-Au collision at $\sqrt{s} = 200 \text{ GeV}$

Effect of fluctuation at RHIC energies



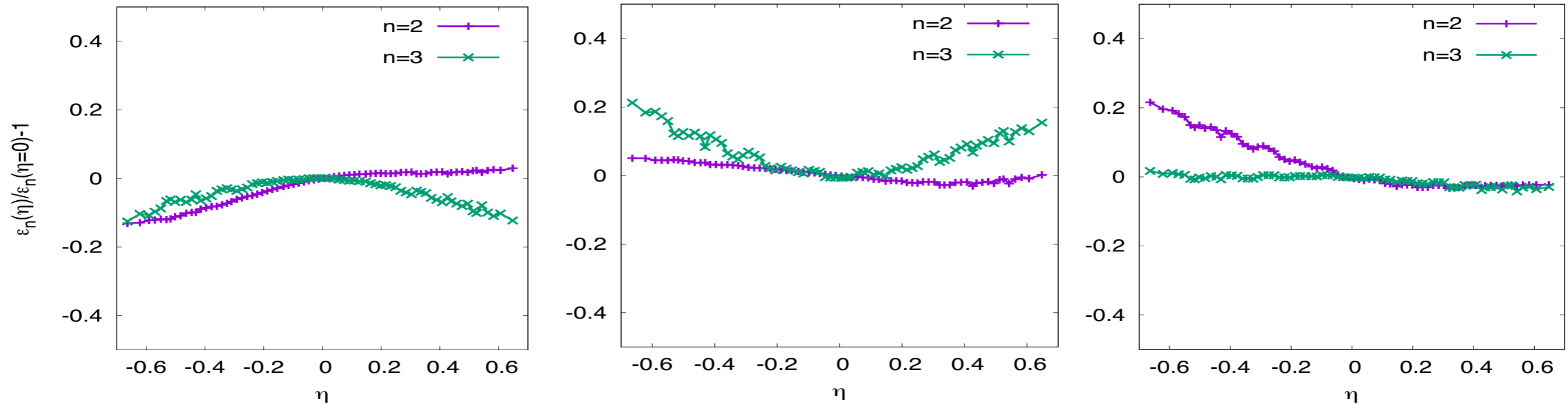
Fixed $\tau \simeq 0.75 \text{ fm}/c$

Fluctuation relatively small $\leq 1 \%$ and decreases with increasing \sqrt{s}

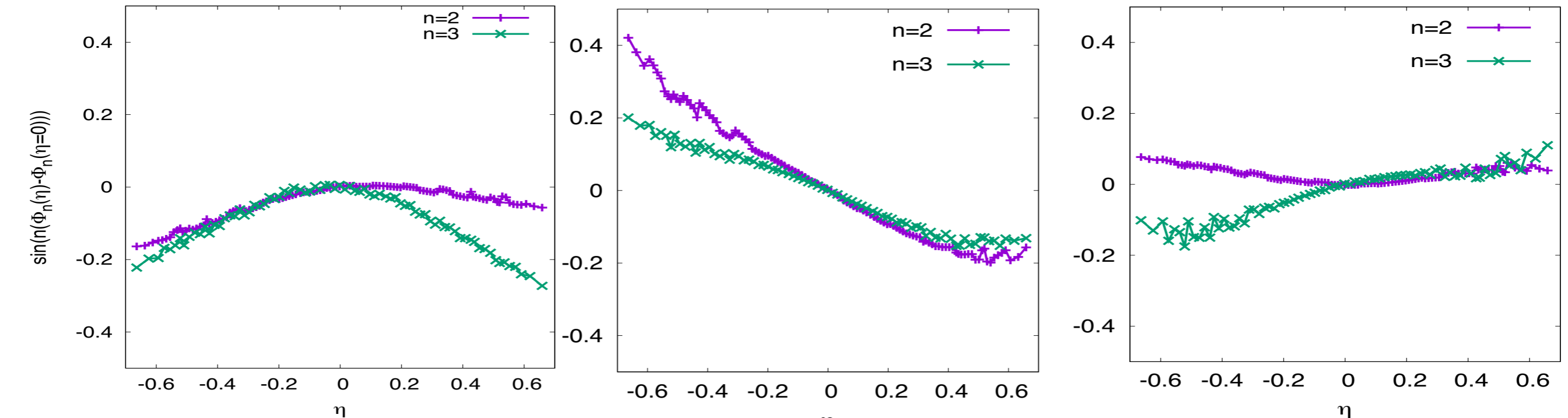
Characterising transverse geometry

Relative change in the eccentricity ε_n

Au-Au collision at $\sqrt{s} = 130$ GeV



Change in the event plane ϕ_n orientation



Event 1

Event 2

Event 3

Conclusion and Outlook

- Developed a framework to perform 3+1D simulation based on CGC.
- Significant violation of boost invariance for finite thickness.
- Physical model which includes the spatial structure and fluctuations of the colliding nuclei.

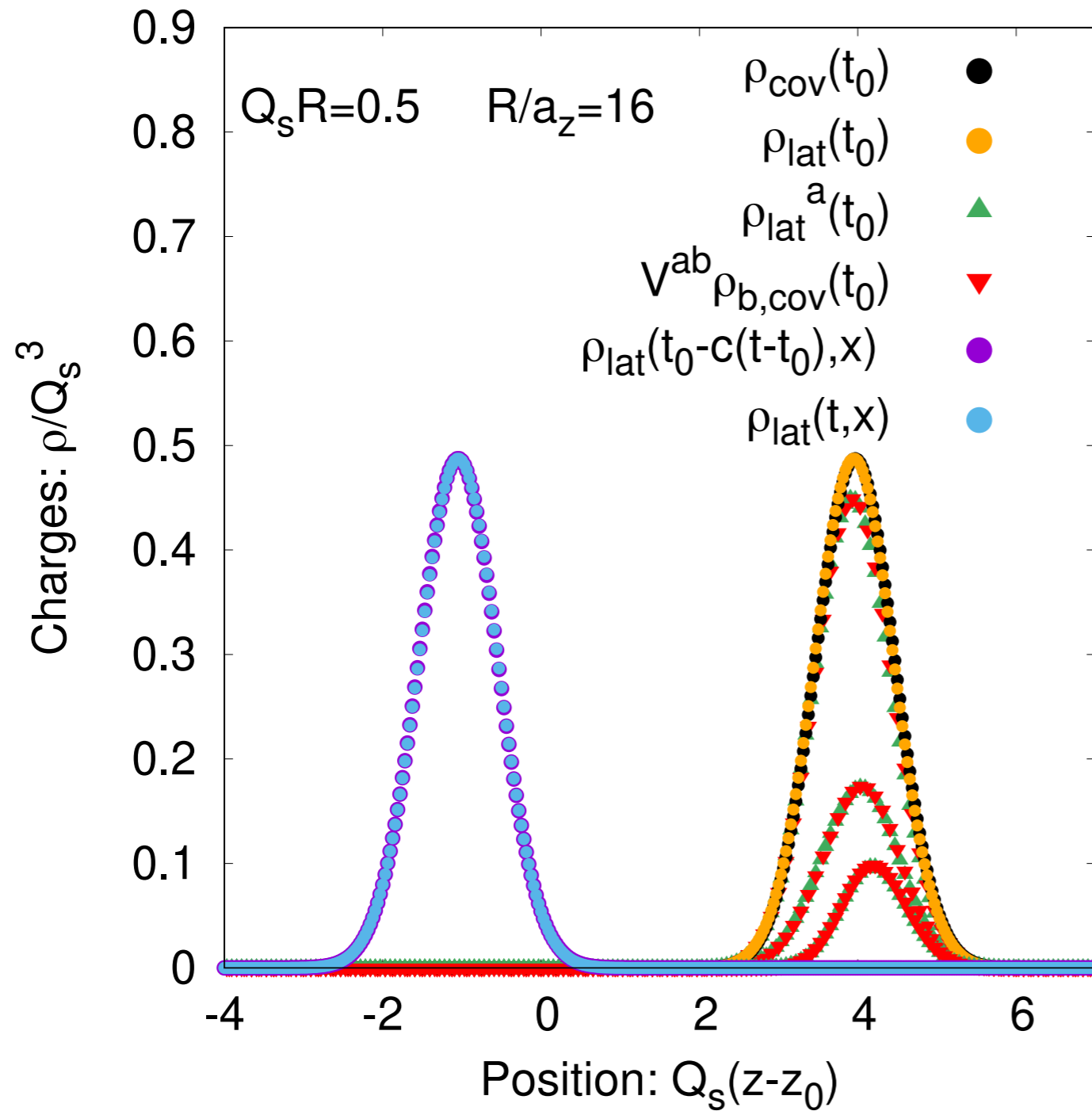
Future Plans

- Include physical SU(3) gauge group to compare against experiments.
- Reduce the computational cost and explore larger rapidity window.
- Collision at LHC energies.

Thank you...

BACKUP

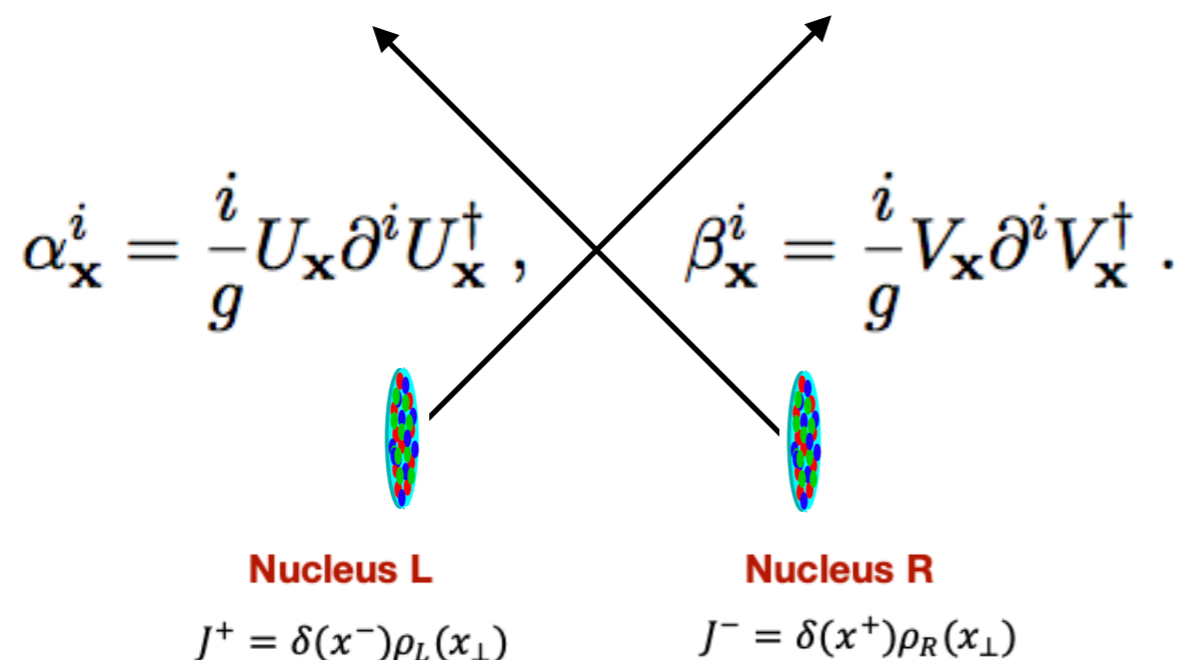
Stable Propagation of color charges



**Numerical dispersion
of current is small**

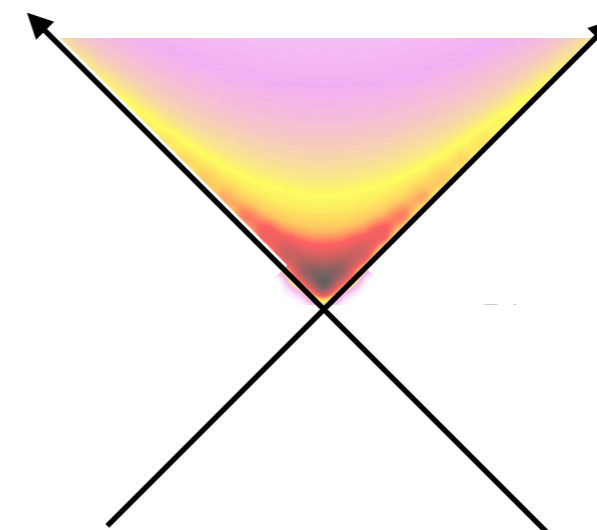
Boost-invariant high energy limit

Based on Color Glass Condensate description of high-energy QCD, colliding nuclei are described as infinitely thin sheets of static color charges


$$\alpha_{\mathbf{x}}^i = \frac{i}{g} U_{\mathbf{x}} \partial^i U_{\mathbf{x}}^\dagger, \quad \beta_{\mathbf{x}}^i = \frac{i}{g} V_{\mathbf{x}} \partial^i V_{\mathbf{x}}^\dagger.$$

Nucleus L
 $J^+ = \delta(x^-) \rho_L(x_\perp)$

Nucleus R
 $J^- = \delta(x^+) \rho_R(x_\perp)$



Before the collision

Creation of boost invariant transverse chromo-electric and chromo-magnetic fields

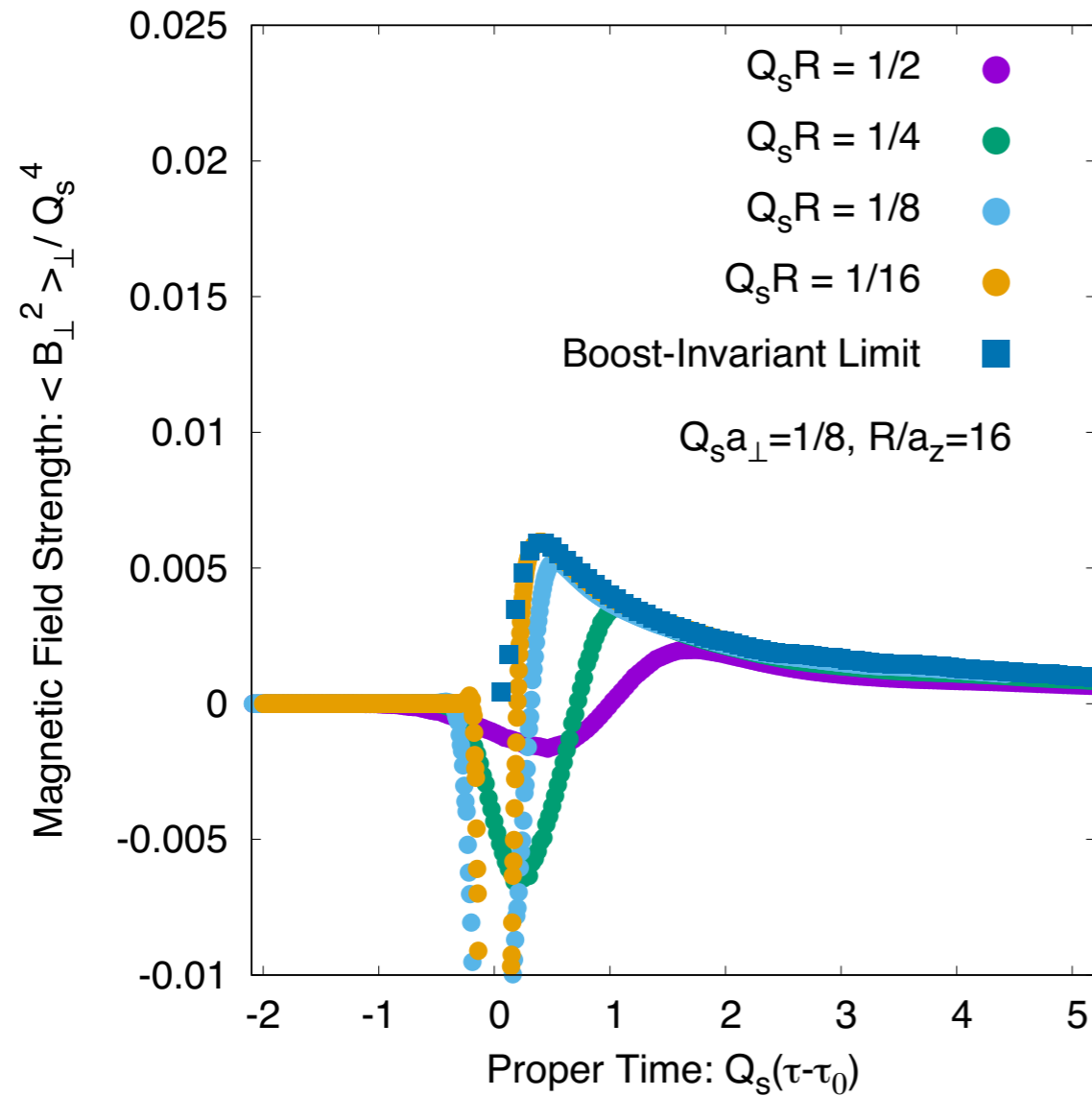
Immediately after collision

$$E_x^\eta = -ig \delta^{ij} [\alpha_x^i, \beta_x^j]$$

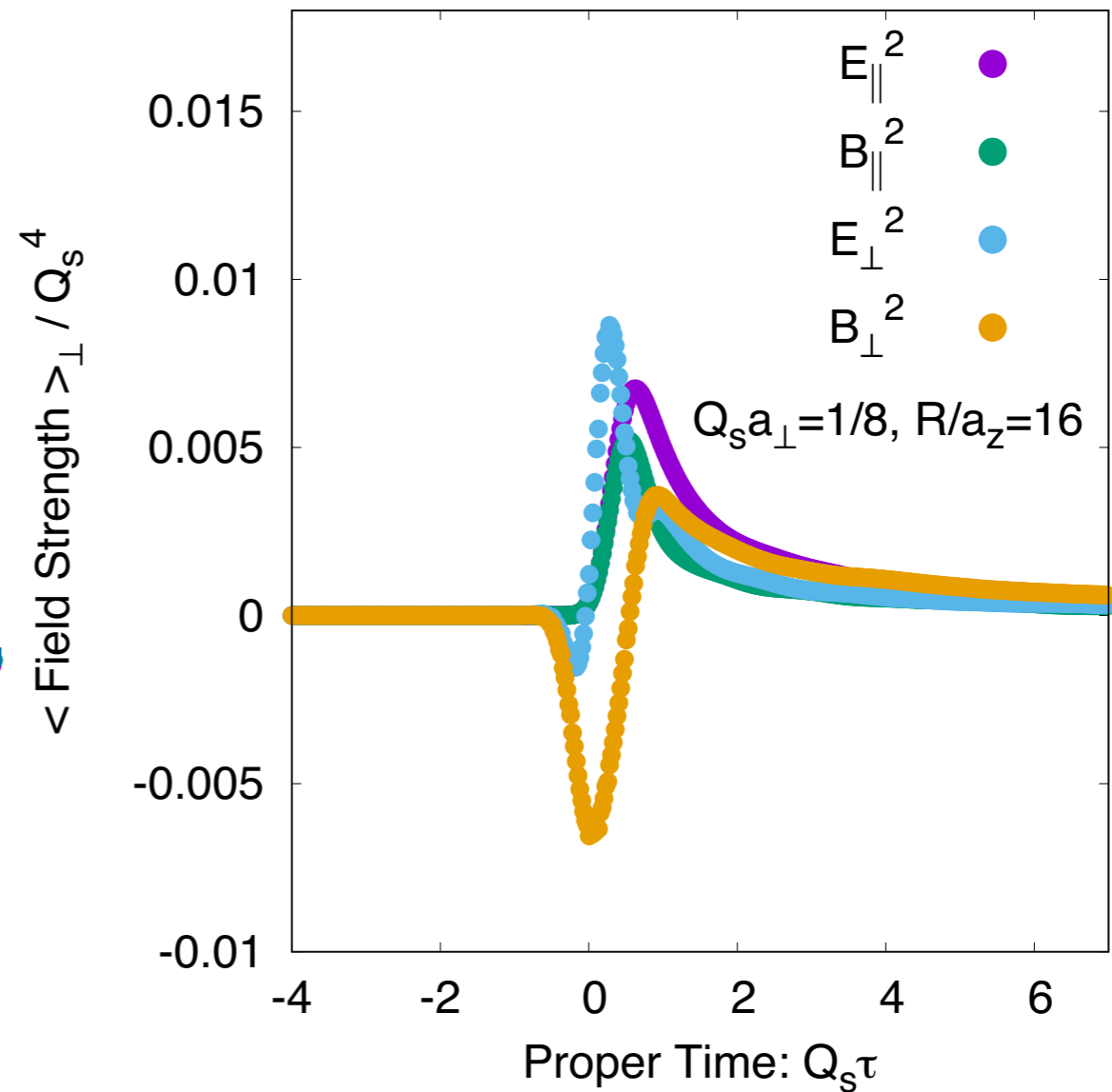
$$B_x^\eta = -ig \epsilon^{ij} [\alpha_x^i, \beta_x^j]$$

Subsequent evolution studied numerically using 2+1D classical Yang-Mills simulations

Field Strengths

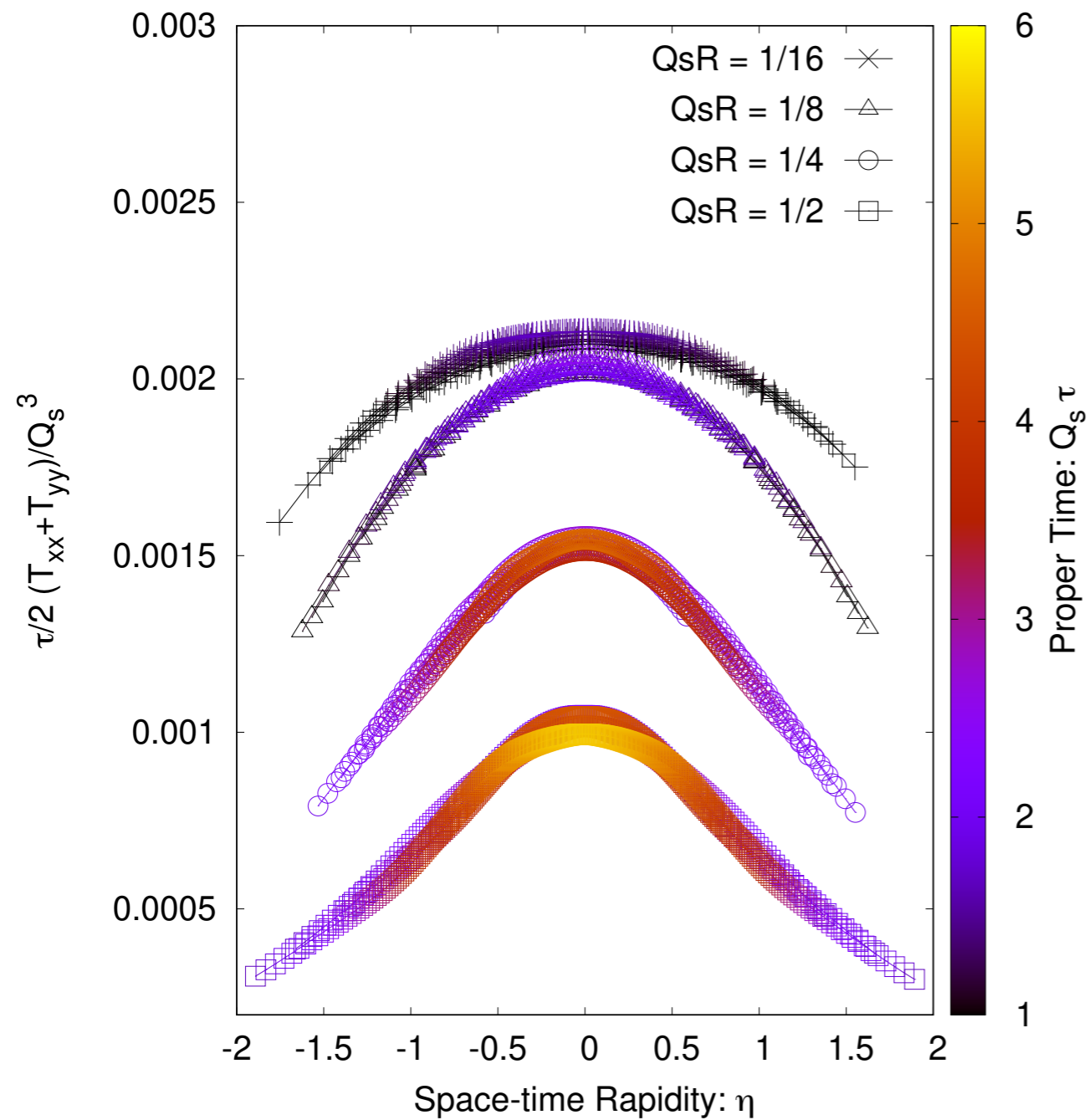


Magnetic Field Strength

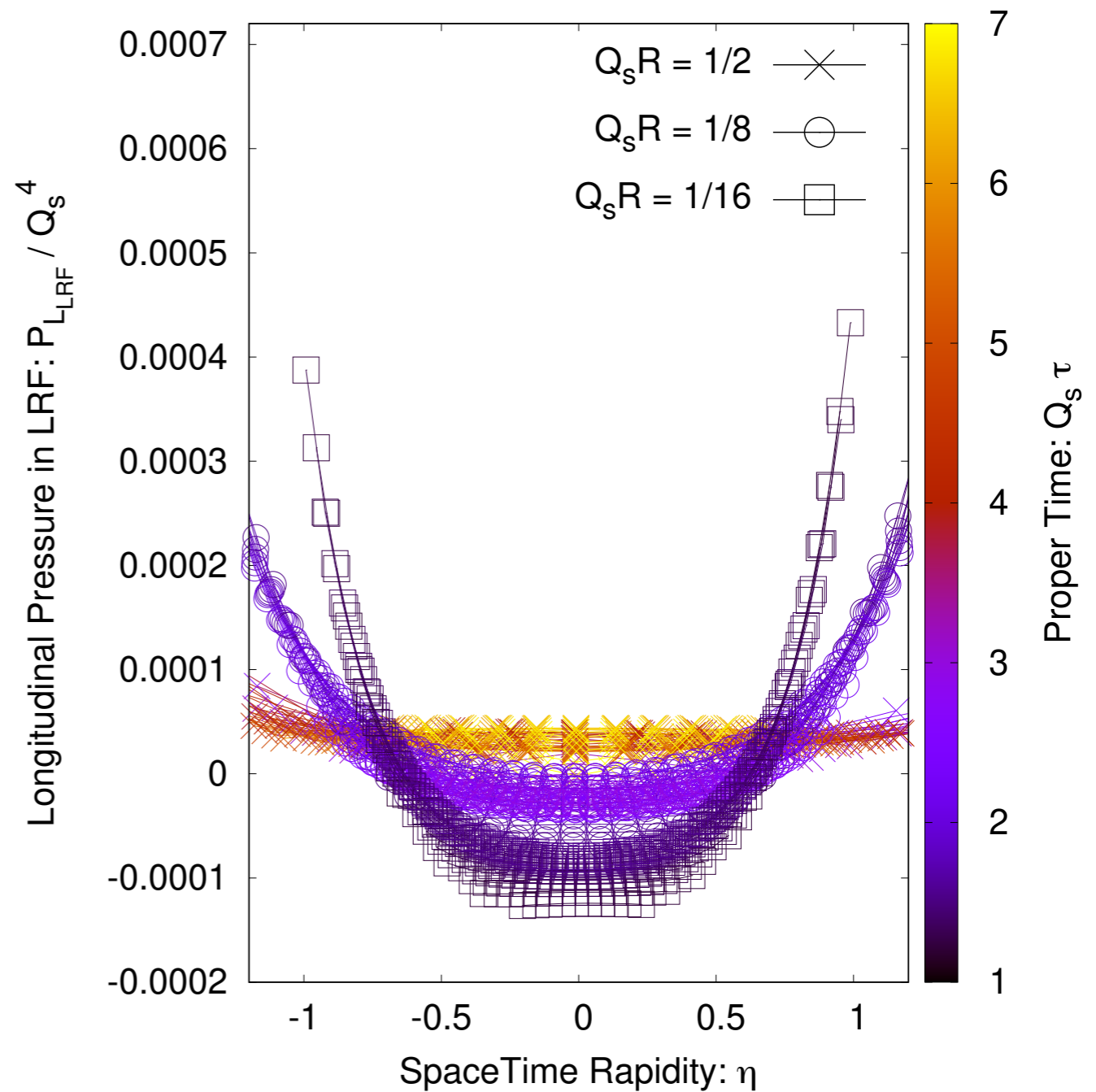


Thick Nucleus

Rapidity profile

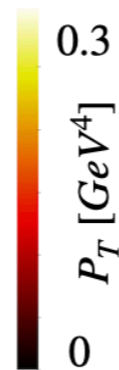


Transverse Pressure



**Longitudinal Pressure
in LRF**

Effect of fluctuation at RHIC energies



- Au-Au collision at $\sqrt{s} = 130$ GeV
- Fixed $\tau \simeq 0.4$ fm/c
- Flux tubes of varying lengths.
- Limited rapidity window

$$\eta \in [-0.8, 0.8]$$

Exploring the full space-time dynamics

$$T^{00}(t, x) = \frac{1}{2}(E^2(t, x) + B^2(t, x)) - \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}(E^2(t, x) + B^2(t, x))}_{\text{Nucleus } L} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}(E^2(t, x) + B^2(t, x))}_{\text{Nucleus } R}$$

Energy Density : $\langle T^{00} \rangle_{\perp} / Q_s^4$

