

UNRAVELING THE MOST PERFECT LIQUID AT THE LHC

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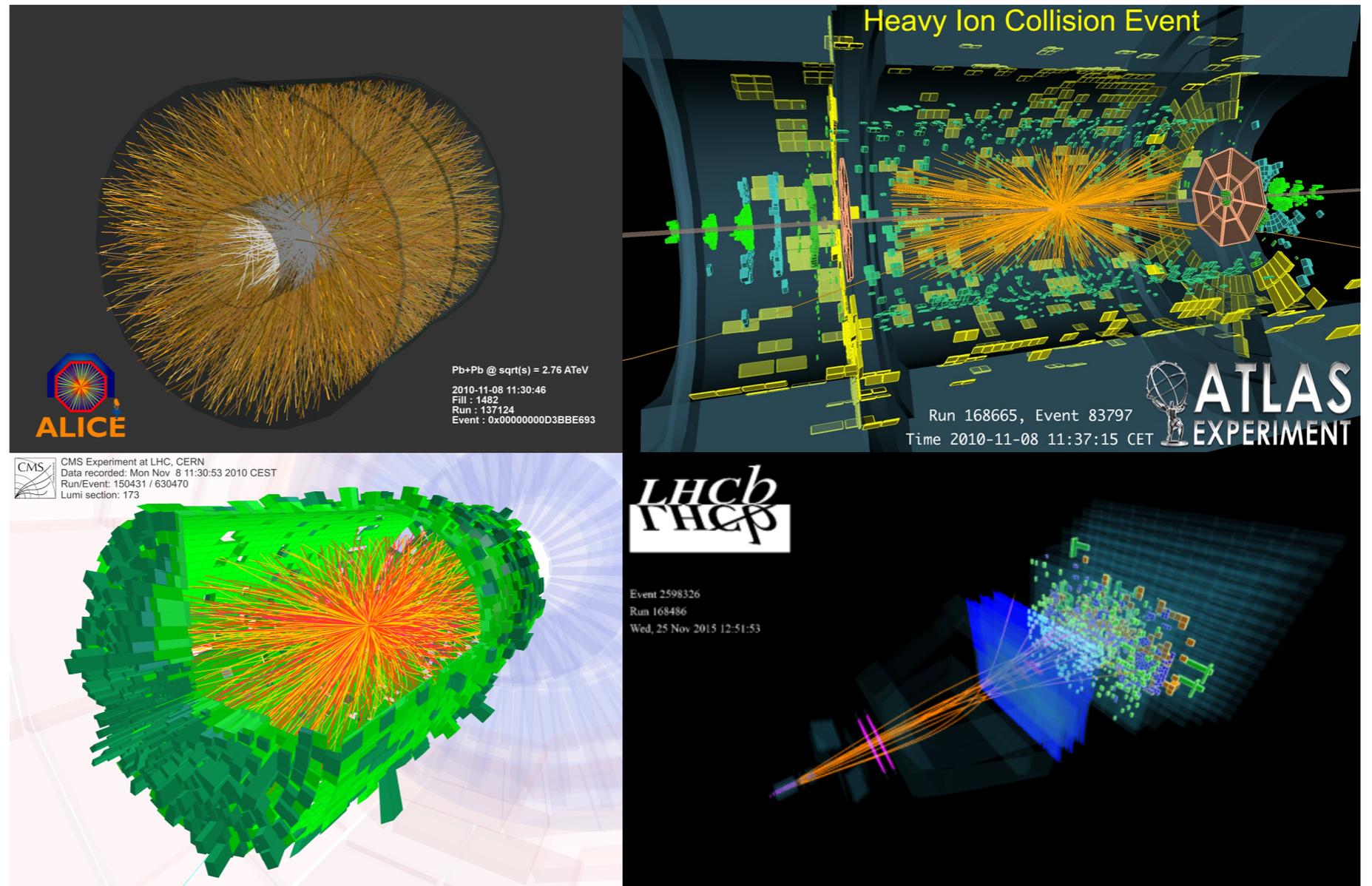
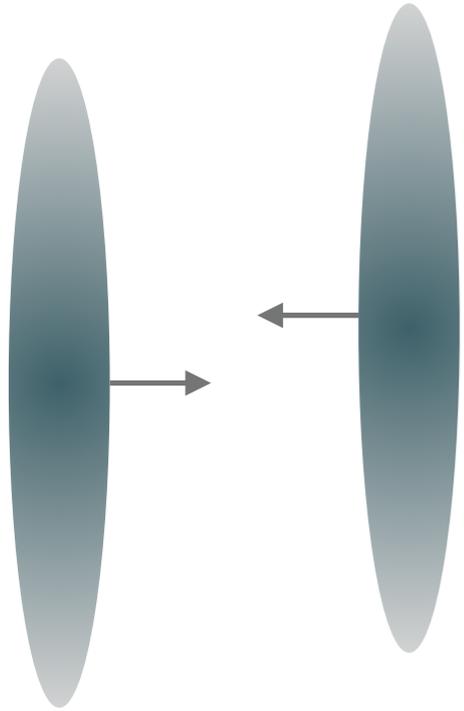
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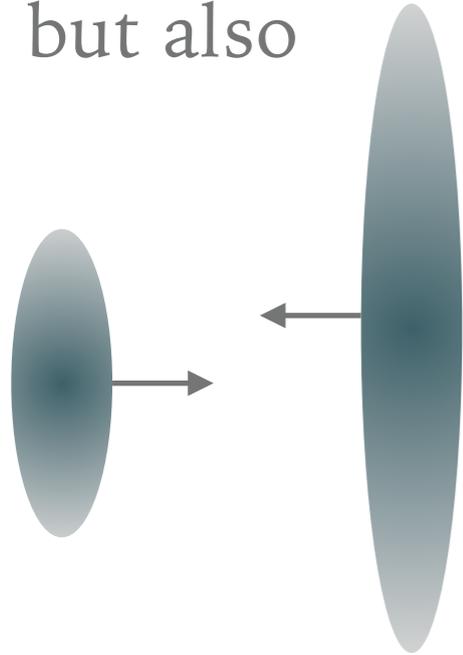
:: the physics of ultra-relativistic collisions of heavy nuclei

PbPb@LHC, {AuAu,CuCu,UU}@RHIC, {PbPb,InIn}@SPS[fixed target], ...



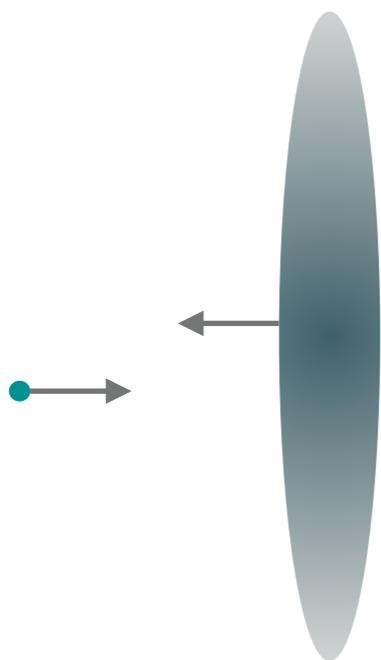
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:: but also



:: light[er]-heavy ion collisions
{CuAu, dAu}@RHIC

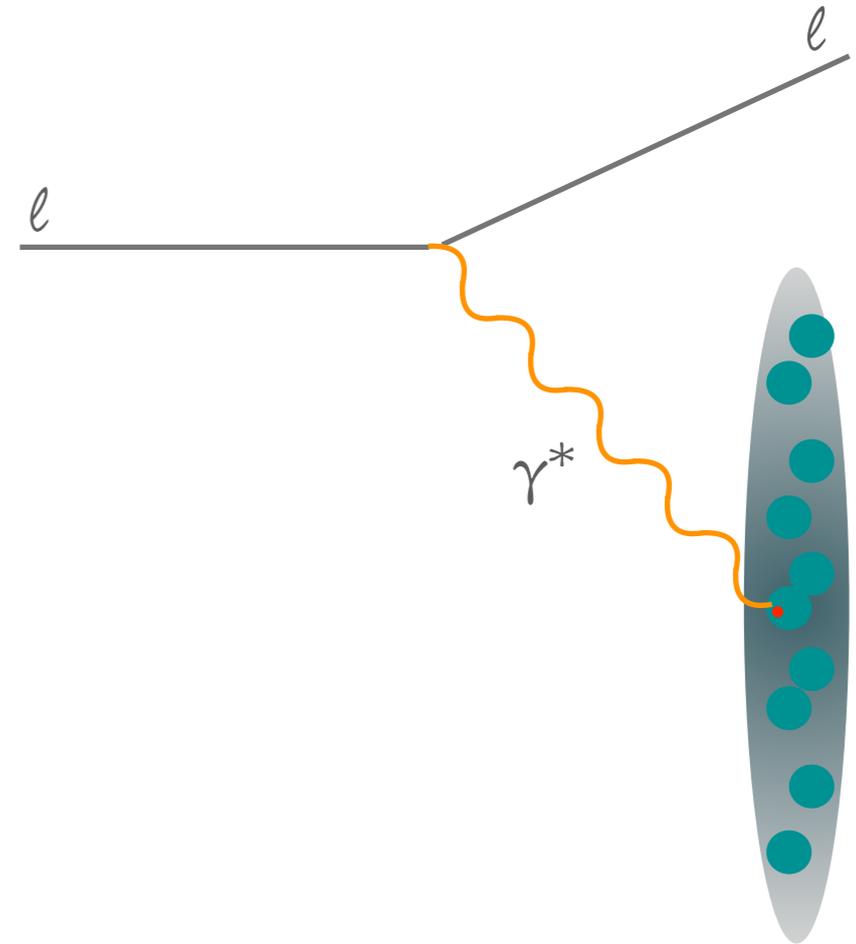
:: which [obviously] includes



the lightest of all ions
:: proton-nucleus collisions
pPb@LHC

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:: and deep-inelastic scattering off nuclei
[EIC@{BNL/JLAB}, LHeC, FCC-eA] ???



which is essential to know the initial conditions of a heavy-ion collision

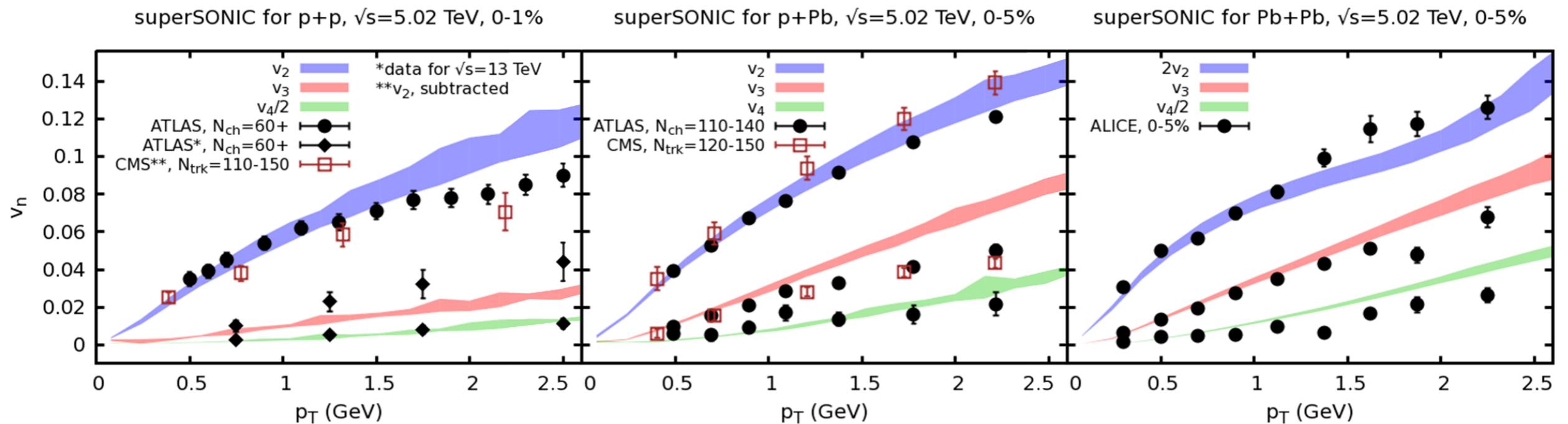
:: the structure of the colliding nuclei at all relevant scales [nuclear PDFs]

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:: and, less obviously,



:: whenever 'heavy-ion-like' behaviour is involved



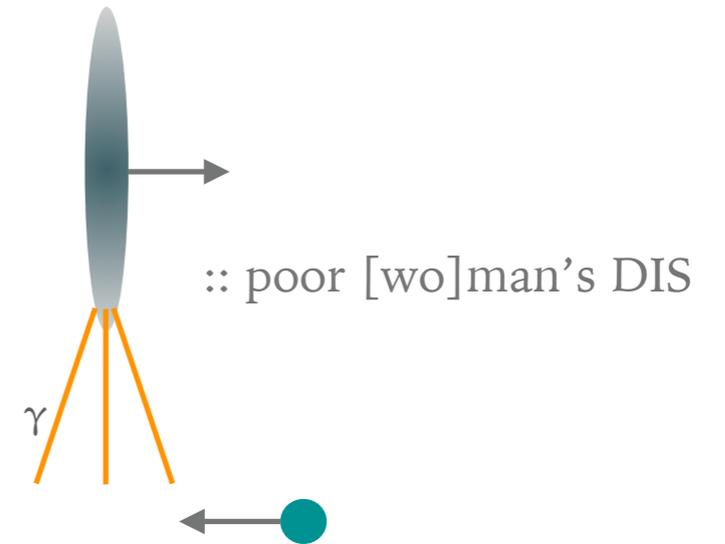
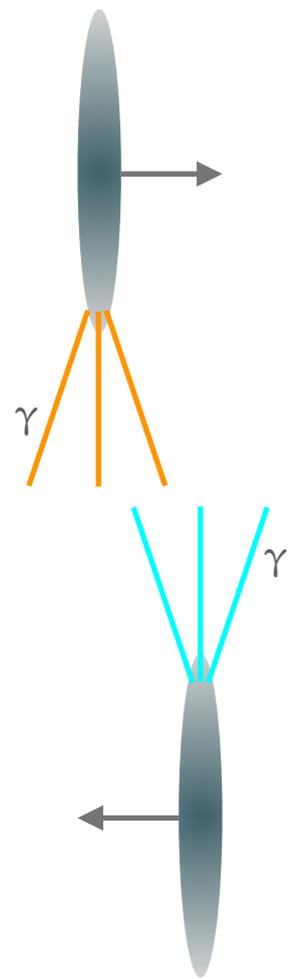
Weller and Romatschke :: 1701.07145 [nucl-th]

collectivity hallmarks of heavy-ion collisions also observed

in pPb and [high-multiplicity] pp collisions

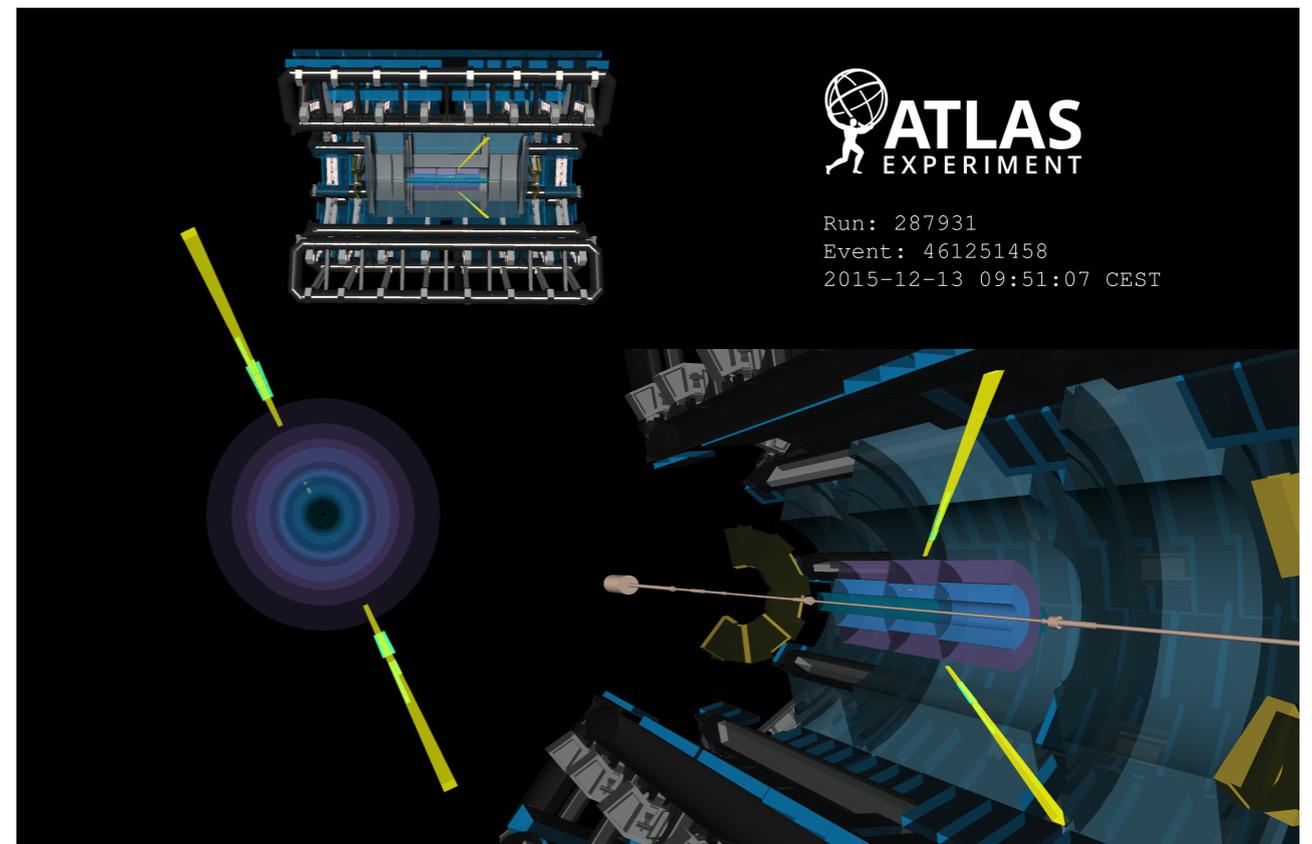
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:: and, even less obviously, nuclei as EM field sources



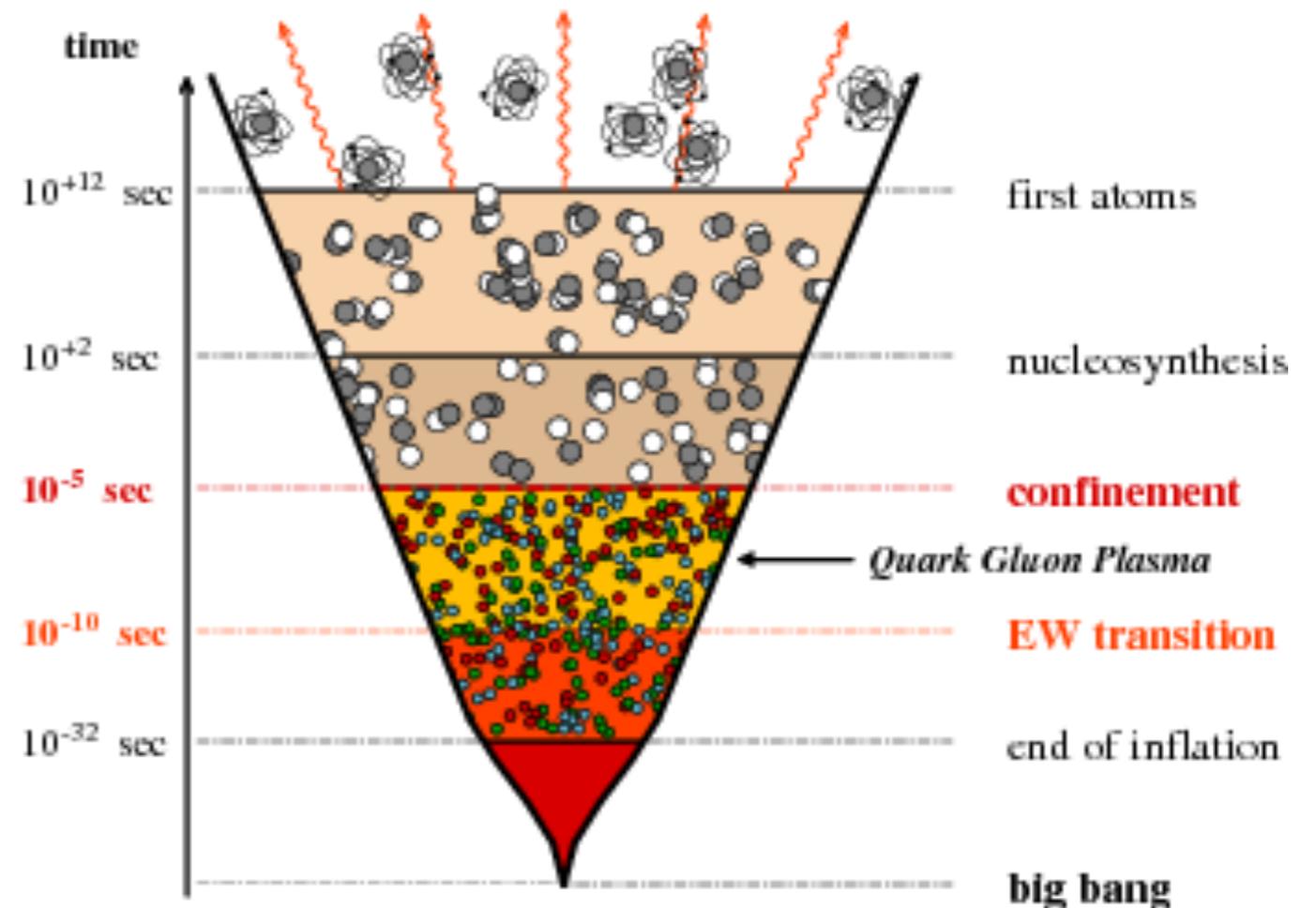
$\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

classically forbidden process



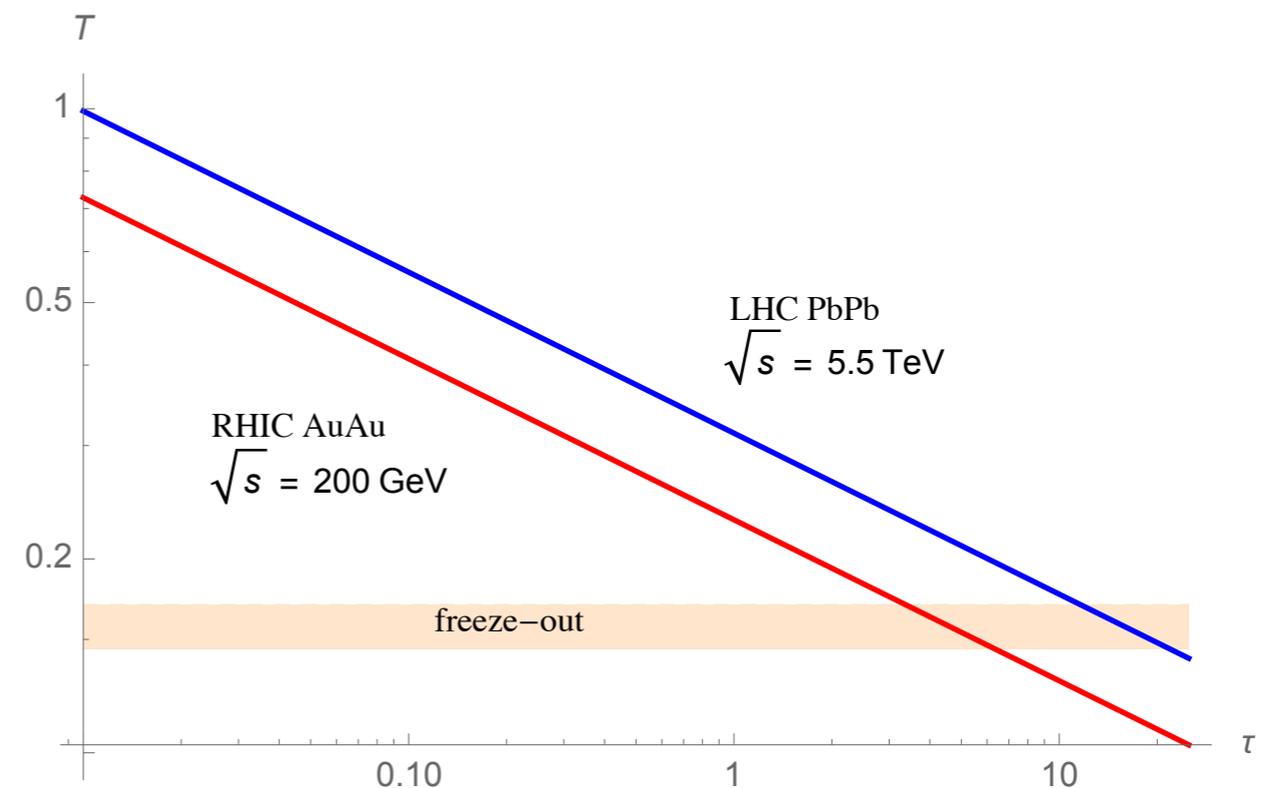
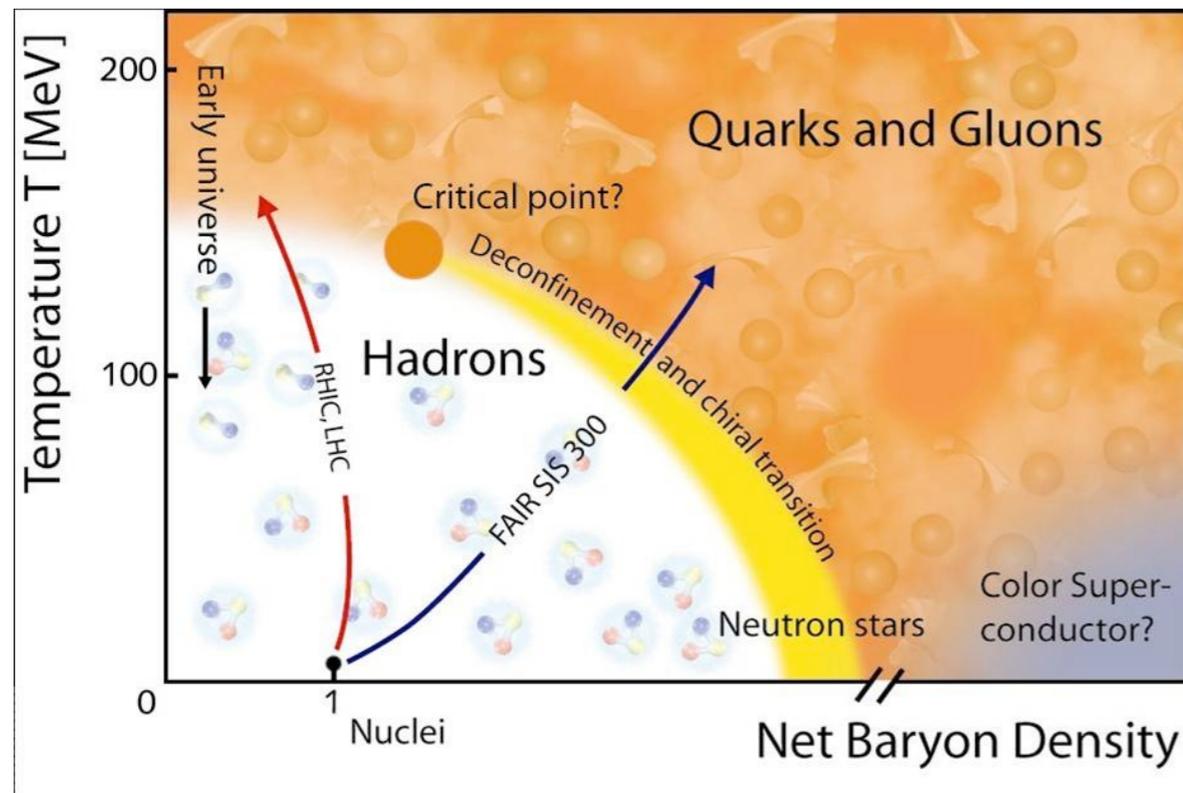
HEAVY-ION PHYSICS [PURPOSE]

- ✓ explore and understand fundamental properties of matter at the most extreme temperatures [$\sim 10^5$ higher than the Sun's core] and density achievable in a laboratory
- ✓ make droplets of early Universe [$(10^{-12}(-10)$ to $10^{-6}(-5)$ seconds after the Big Bang] matter



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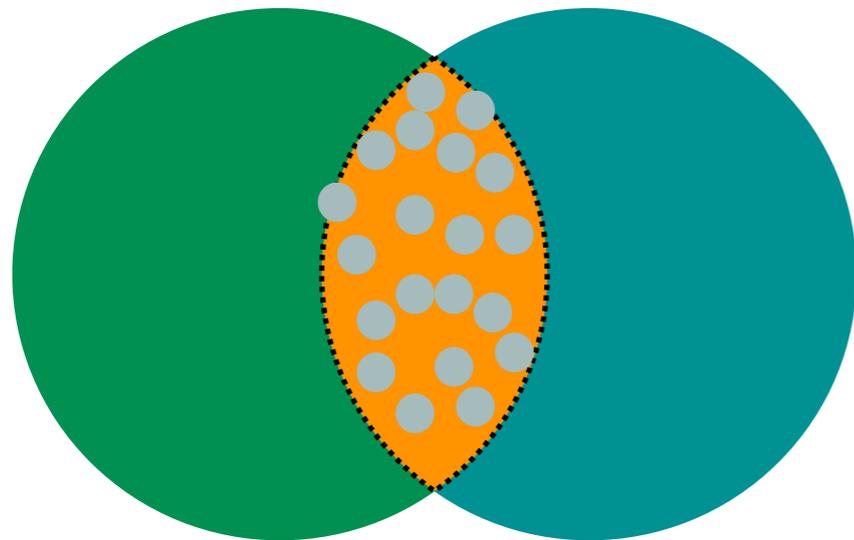
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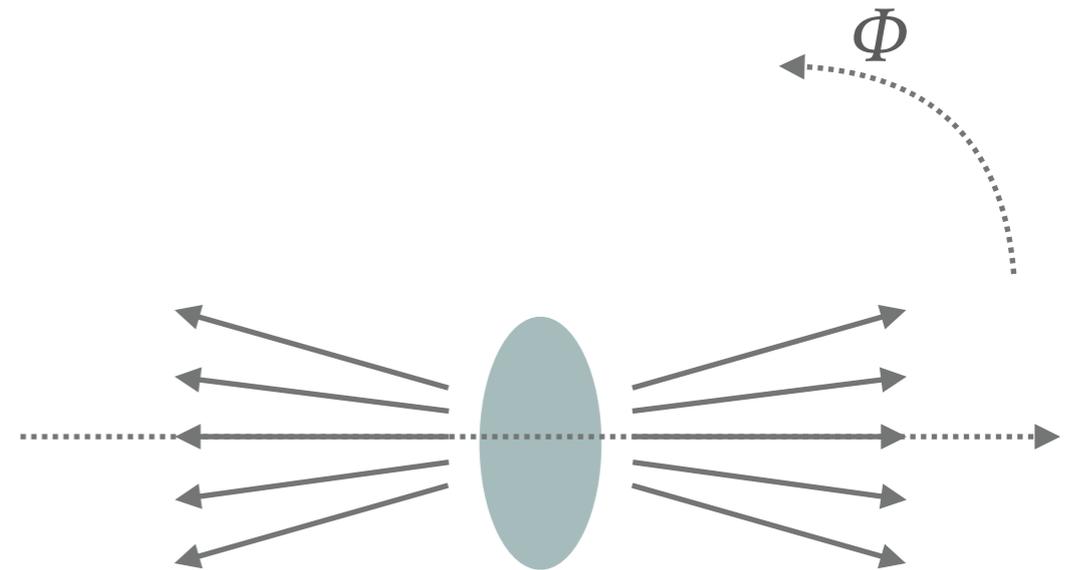
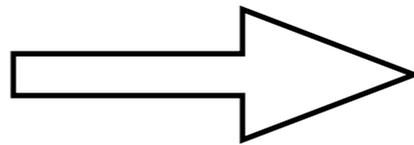
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- ✓ it so happens that this state-of-matter — a quark-gluon plasma [QGP]— is truly remarkable ...

A REMARKABLE PROPERTY OF QGP



[beam axis view of collision]



final state soft particles preferably aligned the collision plane

initial *spatial* anisotropy
[pressure gradients]



final state *momentum* anisotropy

a natural consequence of hydrodynamics

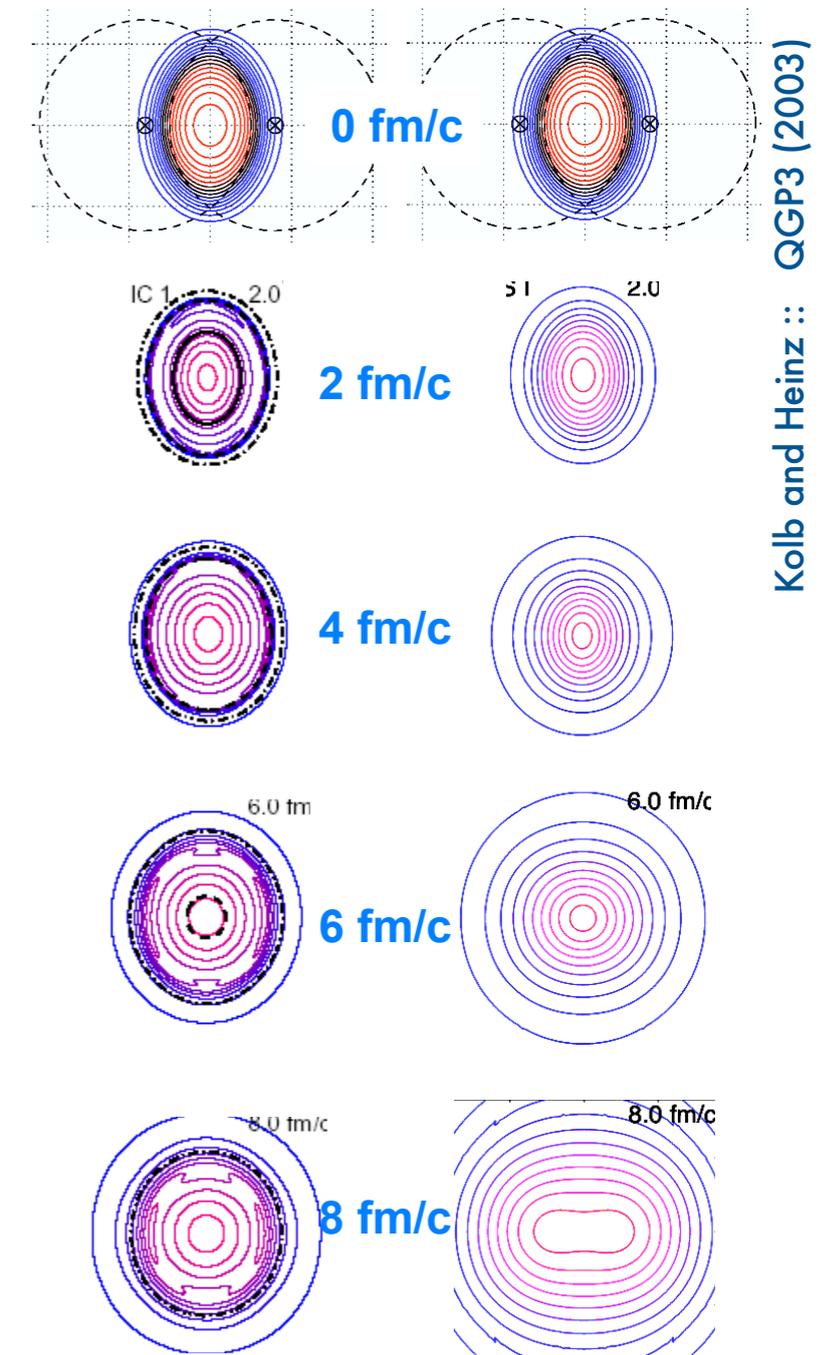
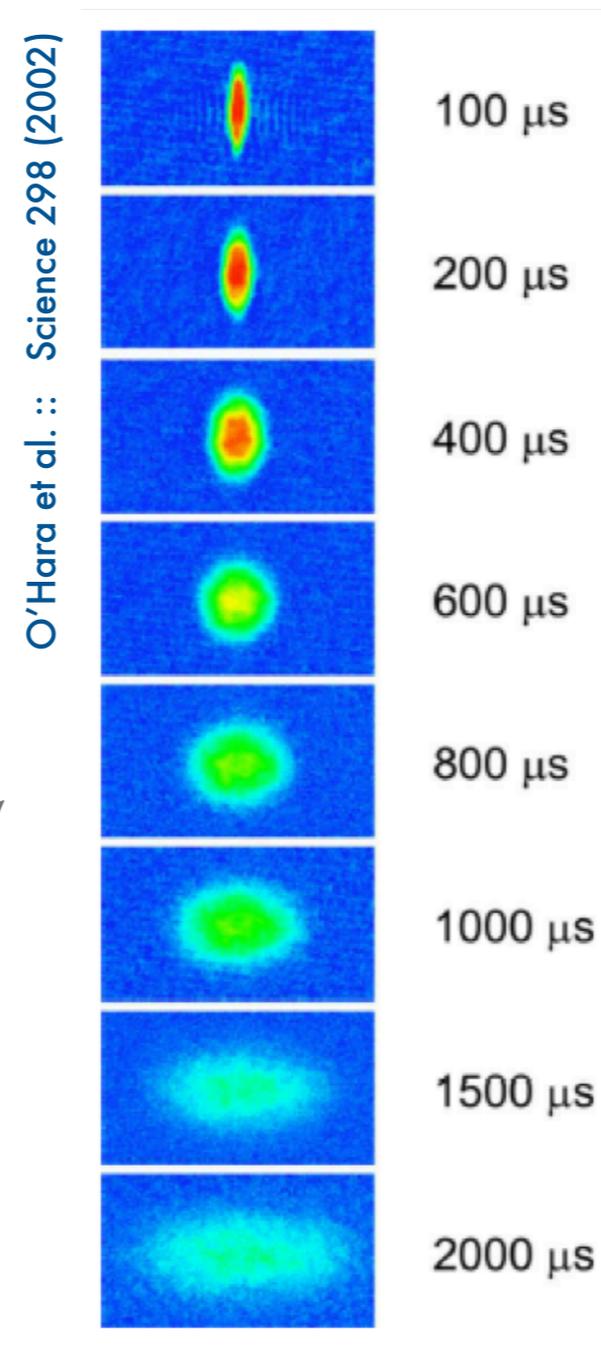
QGP manifests collectivity :: it flows

QGP is a nearly perfect liquid :: QGP is strongly coupled

FLOW AND STRONG COUPLING

strong coupled systems flow

degenerate Fermi gas of ultracold Li atoms released from anisotropic trap

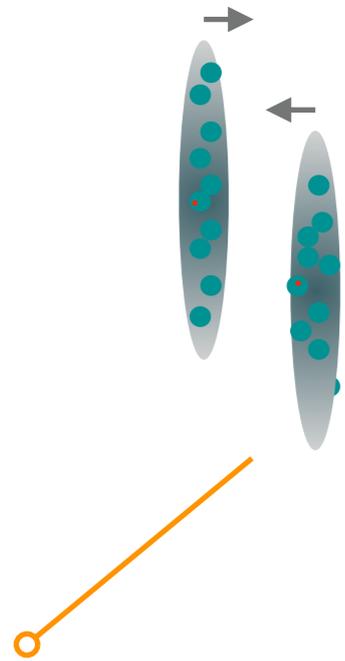


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- ✓ understand **emergent** collective and macroscopic phenomena in a QFT of elementary interactions between fundamental degrees of freedom

timeline of a heavy-ion collision

FROM NUCLEI TO QGP

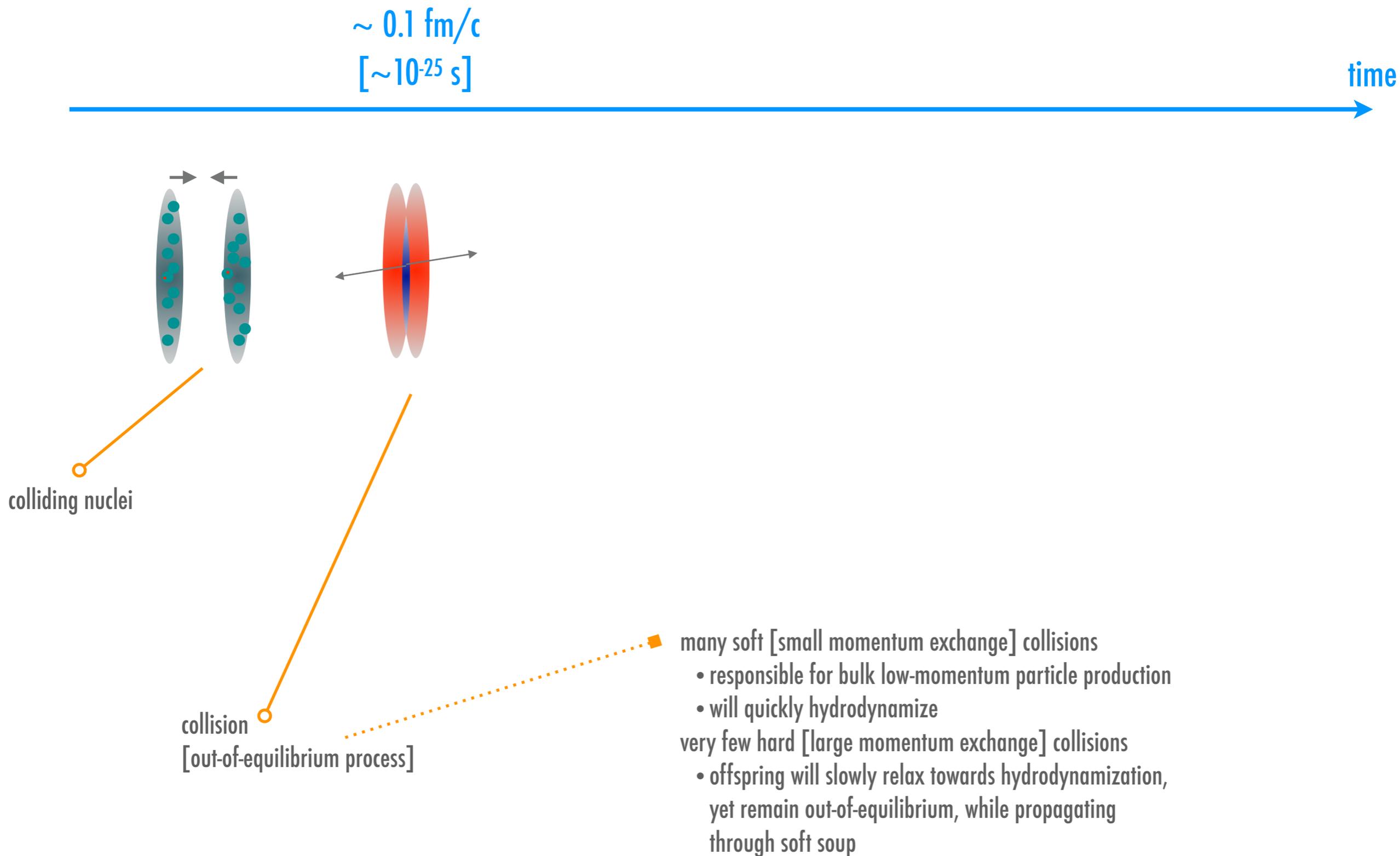


colliding nuclei

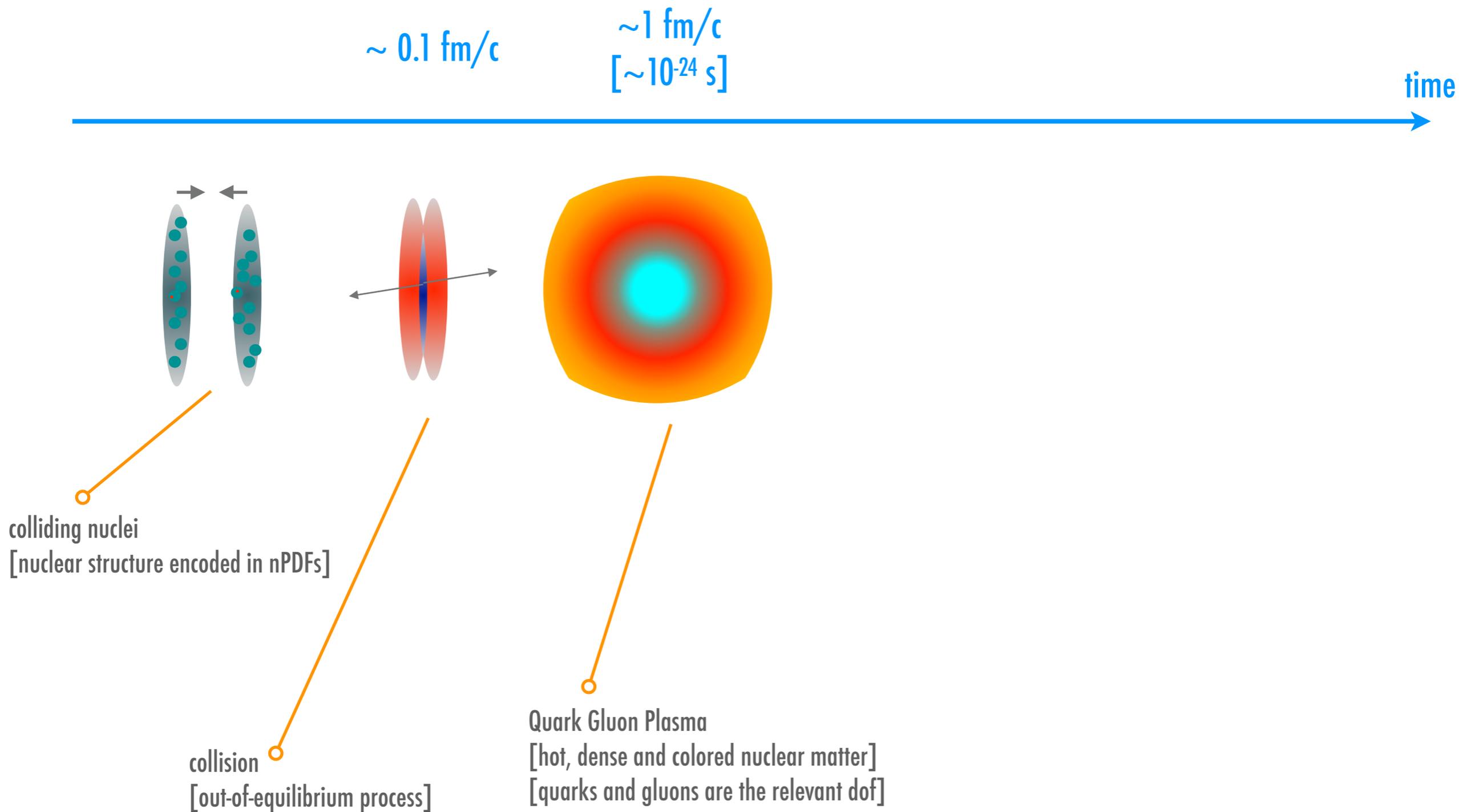
:: need to know how likely it is to find energetic quarks and gluons in the nucleons [nuclear PDFs]

:: geometry of collision [how head-on they are] is VERY important

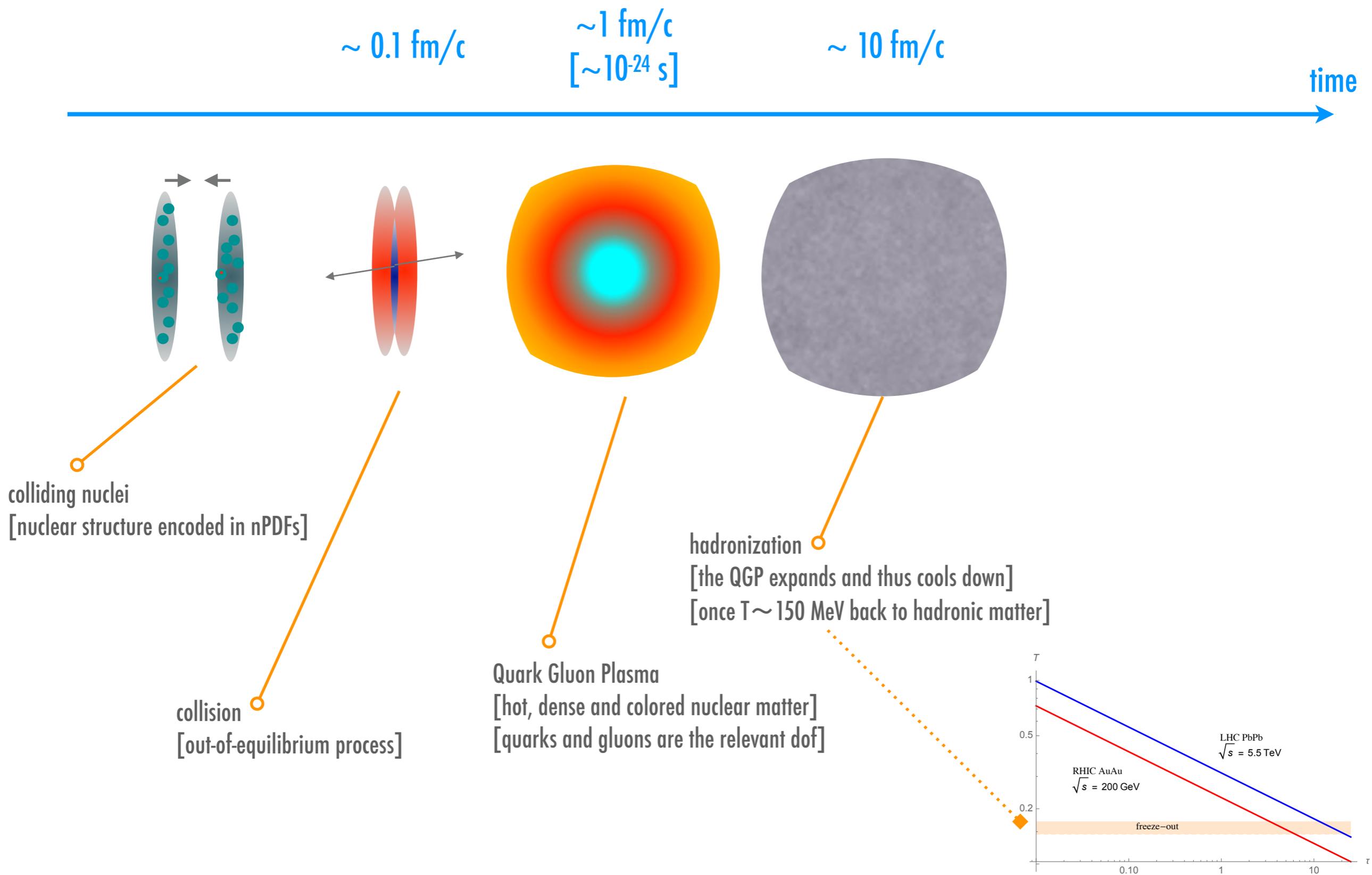
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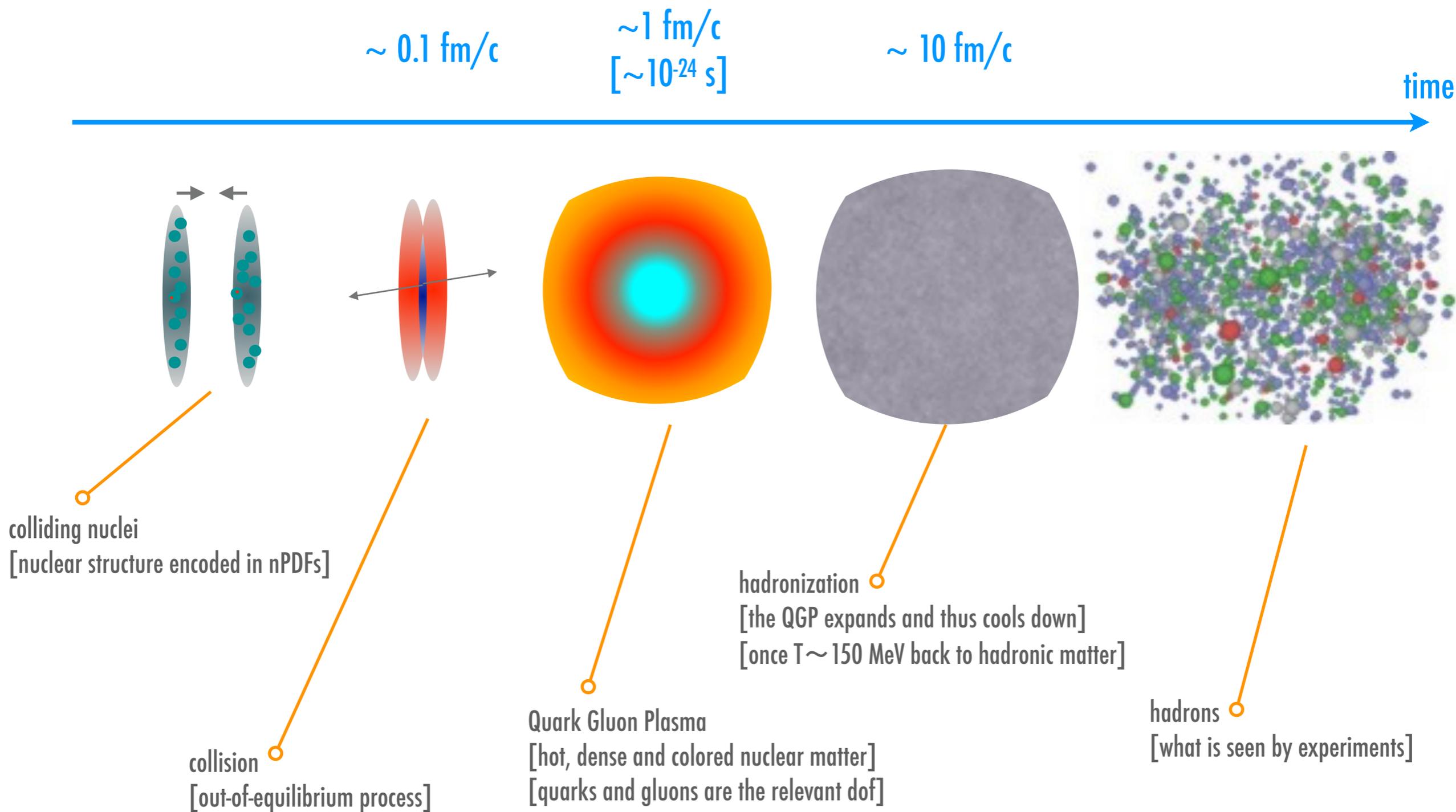
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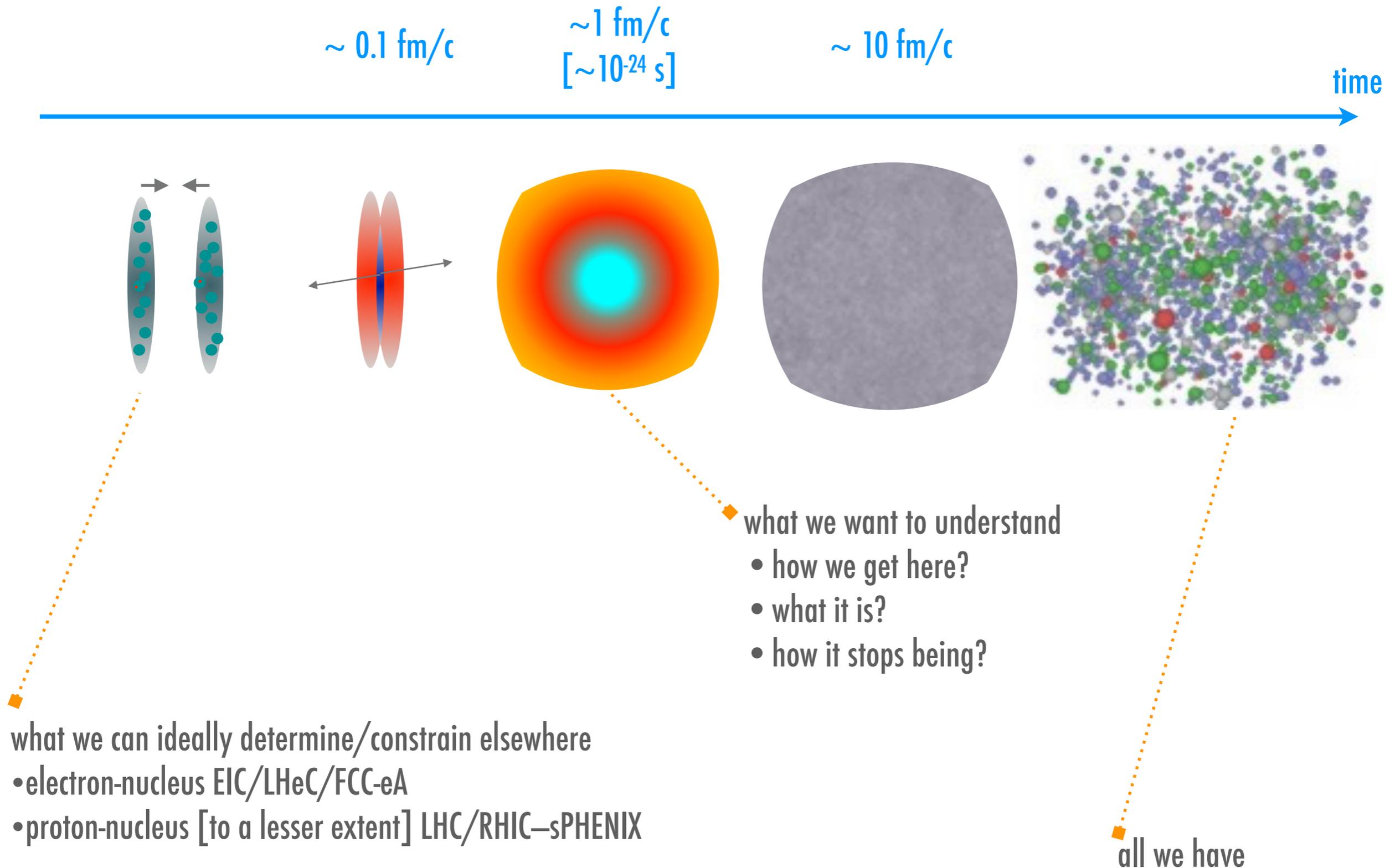
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HOW DOES QGP COME INTO BEING?

- ✓ how does a rapidly expanding, violently out-of-equilibrium system, reach some form of equilibrium state amenable to a ‘macroscopic’ treatment?
- ✓ (thermalization, isotropization, hydrodynamization, equation-of-statization) are all different names that imply some stronger or weaker sort of equilibrium
- ✓ this is a very tough open problem

**understanding QGP can be invaluable for
understanding strongly coupled systems in general
[and vice-versa]**

**QGP is the only strongly coupled system of
Standard Model microscopic degrees of freedom**

HOW TO PROBE ANYTHING

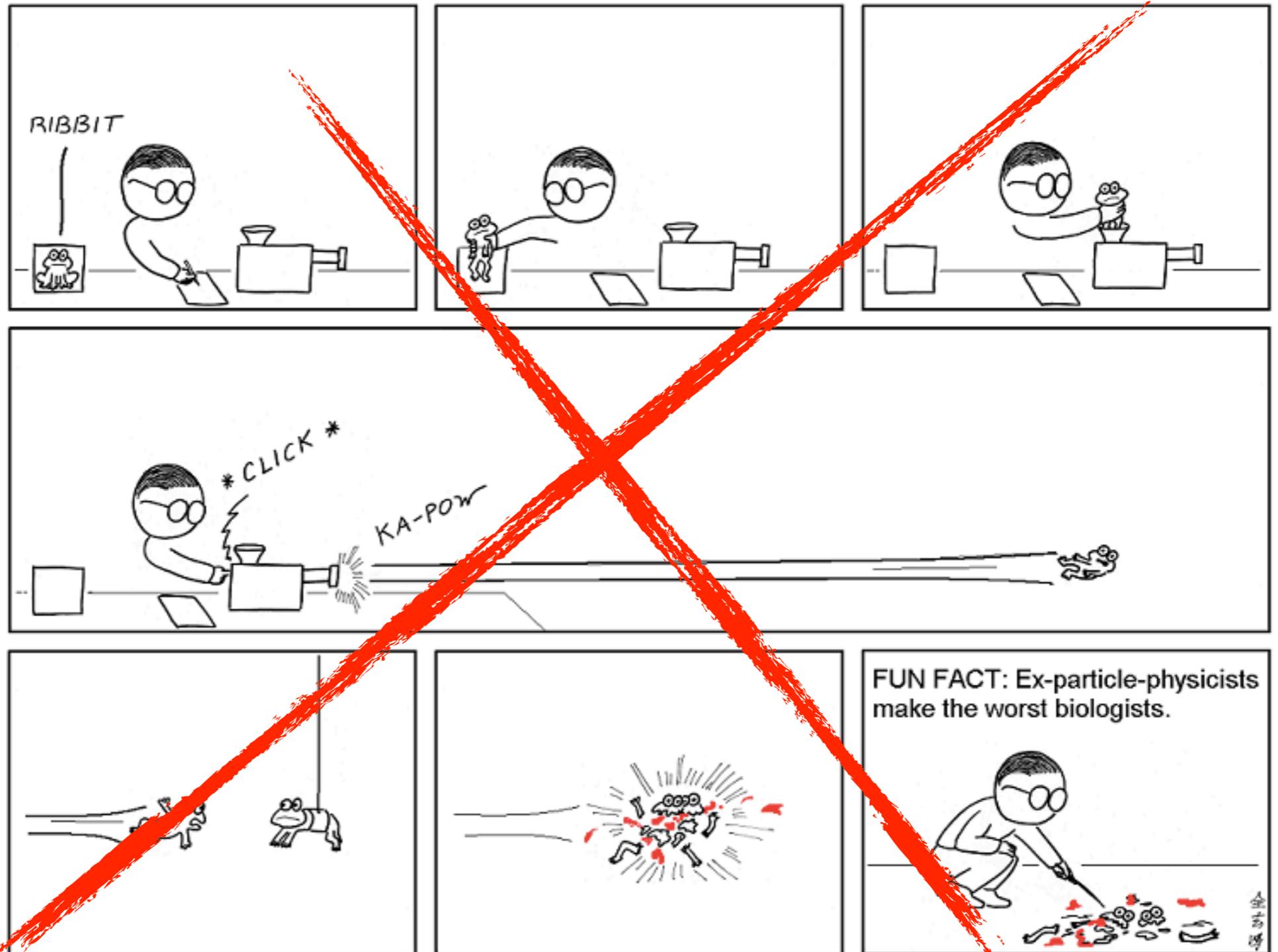
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scatter something off it



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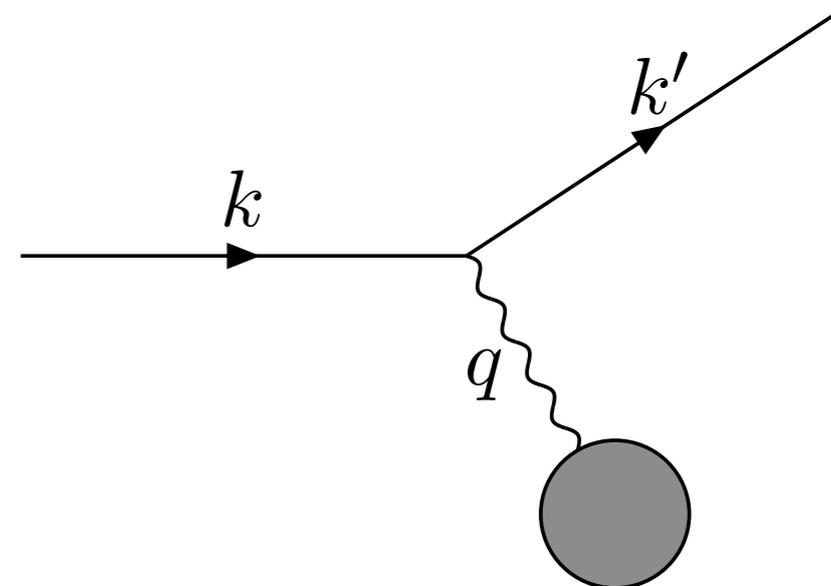
scatter something off it



cannot [easily] understand a frog from scattering it off another frog

HOW TO PROBE ANYTHING

scatter something *you understand* off it



deep inelastic scattering is the golden process for proton/nucleus structure determination

dial $Q^2 = -q^2 = -(k' - k)^2$ to probe distances $\lambda = \hbar/Q$

QGP too short-lived for external probes to be of any use

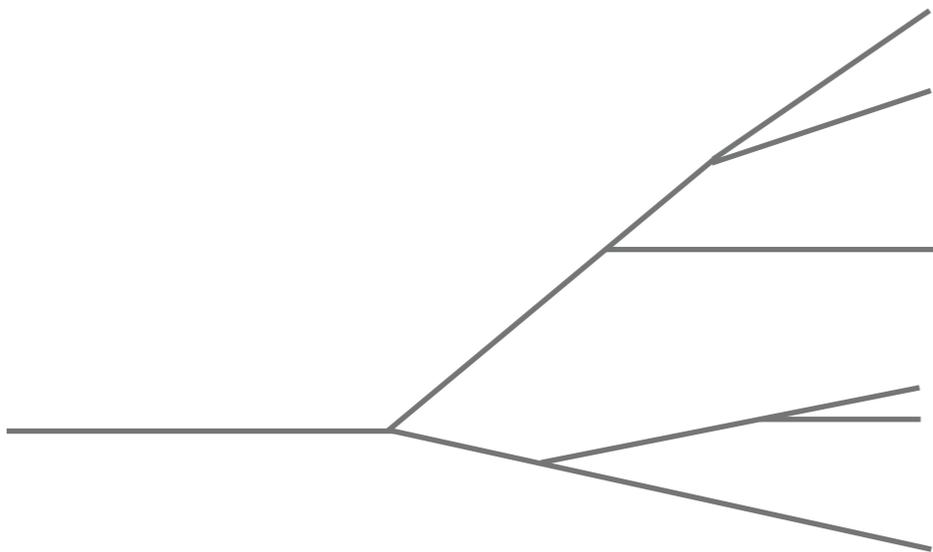
:: to mimic DIS paradigm need multi-scale probes produced in the same collision as the QGP

→ jets

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jet is a **jet** is a jet is a jet

[theory view]
the offspring of the QCD
branching of a hard parton

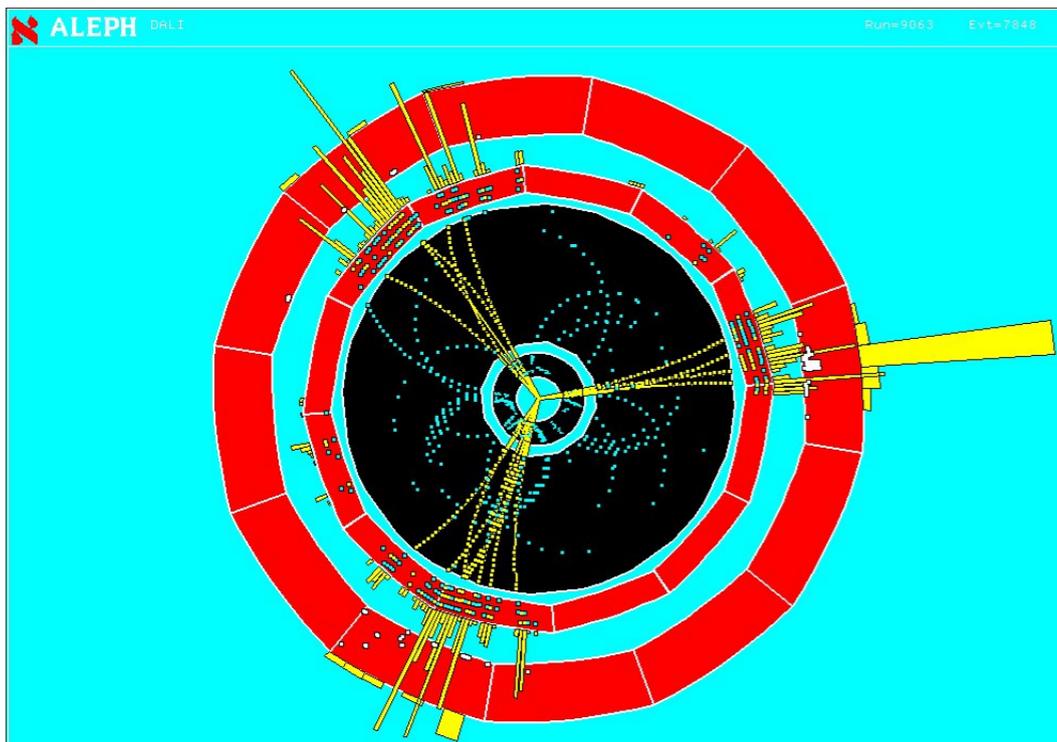


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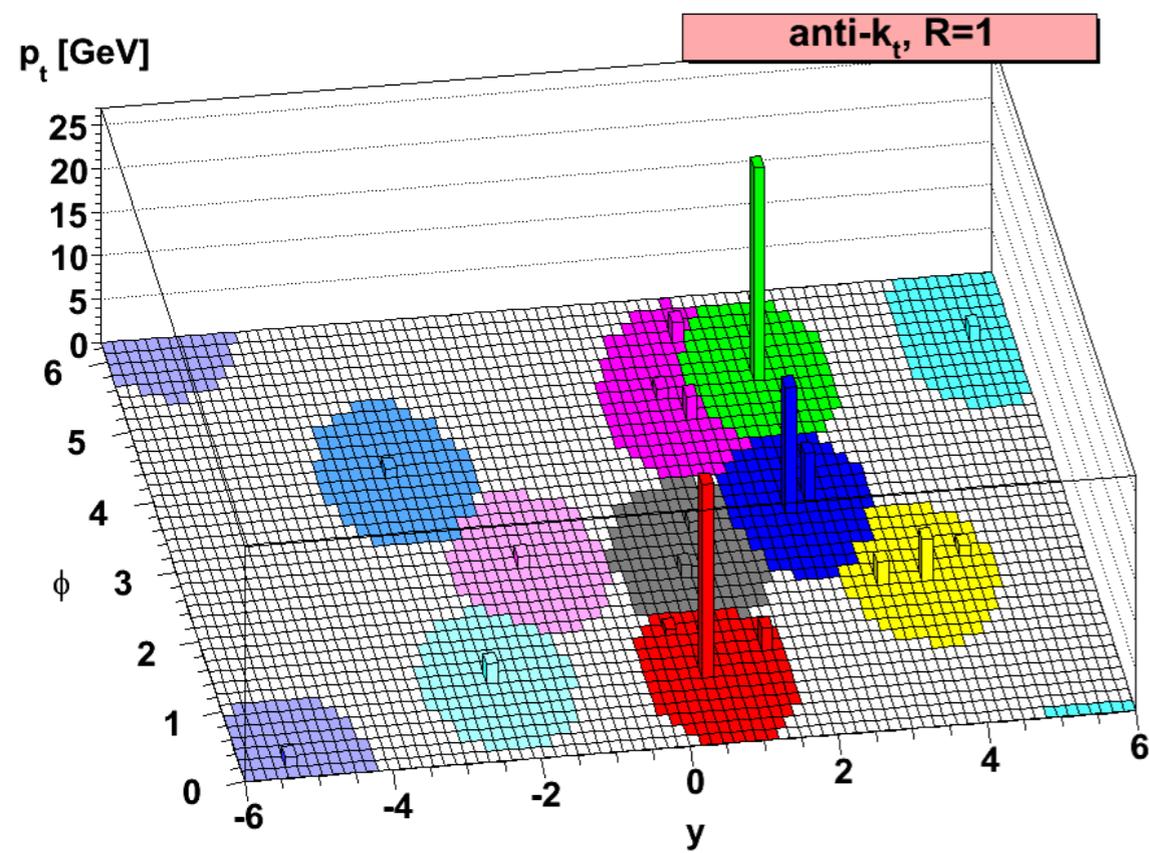
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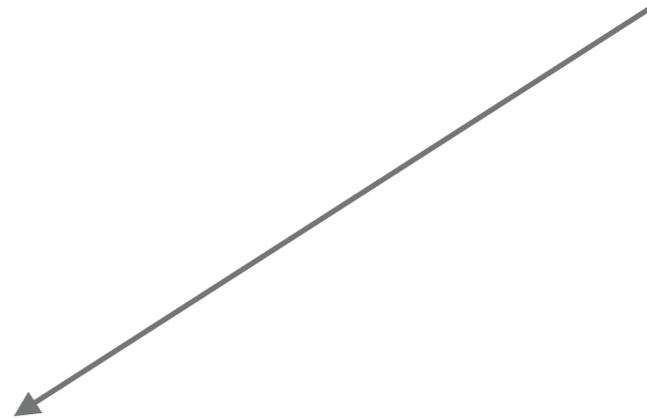
[experimental view]
collimated bunch of particles

[strictly]
defined by a jet algorithm



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UNIQUE AMONGST QGP PROBES

- multi-scale

- :: broad range of spatial and momentum scales involved in jet evolution in QGP

- multi-observable

- :: different observable jet properties sensitive to different QGP scales and properties

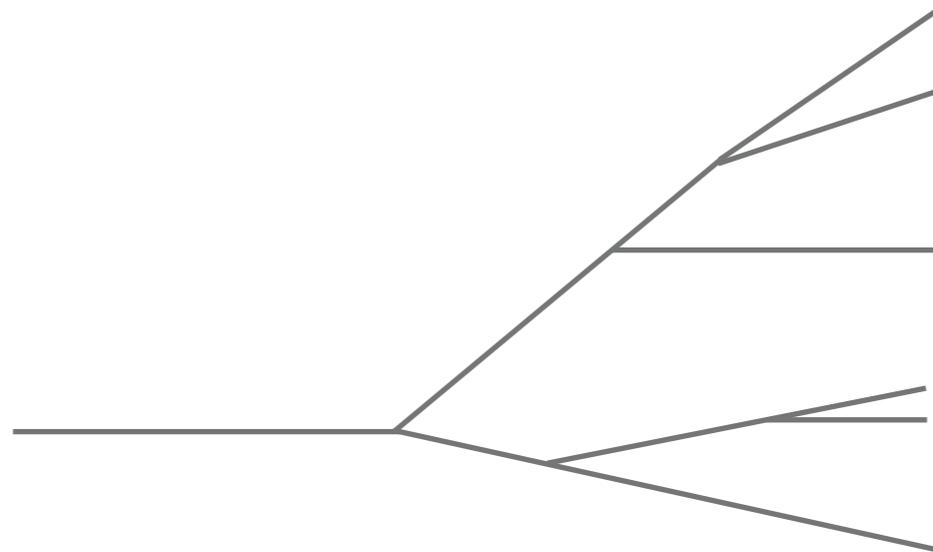
- very well understood in vacuum

- :: fully controlled benchmark

- feasible close relative of a standard scattering experiment

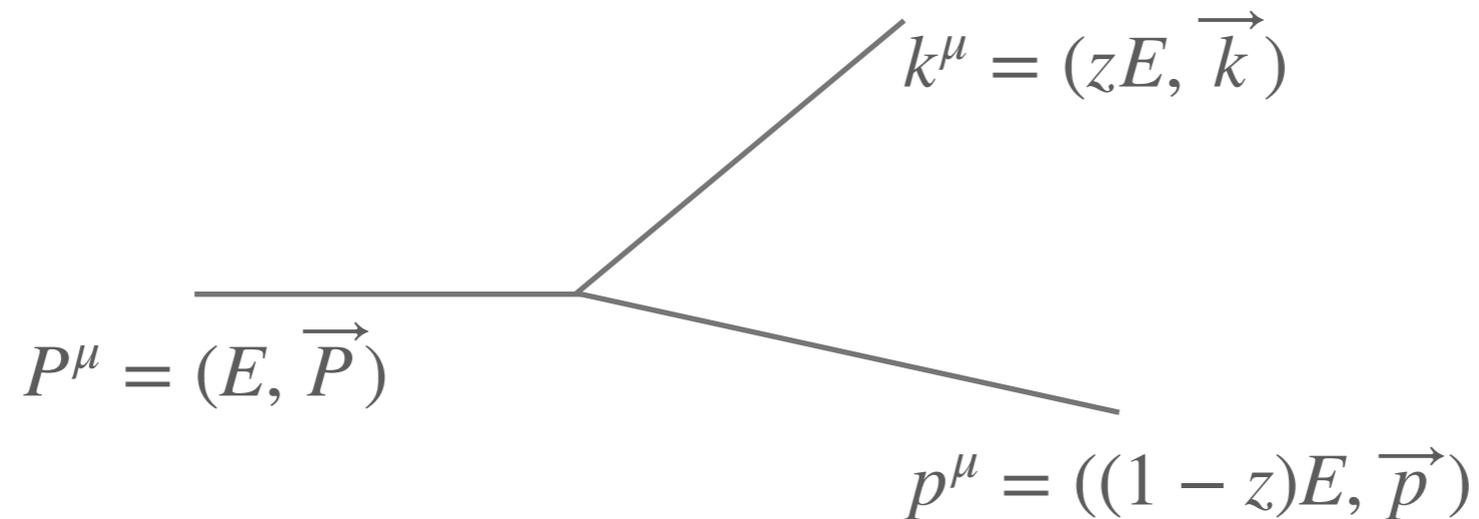
HOW A JET IS BORN

- ✓ rare very energetic collisions of partons [quarks or gluons] within the overall collision produce very energetic [and virtual] back to back partons
- ✓ these partons will split [one parton becomes two partons]
- ✓ each daughter can again split ...



how long does it take for a parton to split?

SPLITTING TIME



✓ splitting time = life-time of boosted virtual mother state

$$t_f = \frac{1}{M_{\text{virt}}} \frac{E}{M_{\text{virt}}}$$

→ relativistic time-dilation
→ uncertainty principle

$$M_{\text{virt}}^2 = P^2 = (p + k)^2 = p^2 + k^2 + 2p \cdot k \simeq 2z(1-z)E(1 - \cos \theta)$$

SPLITTING TIME

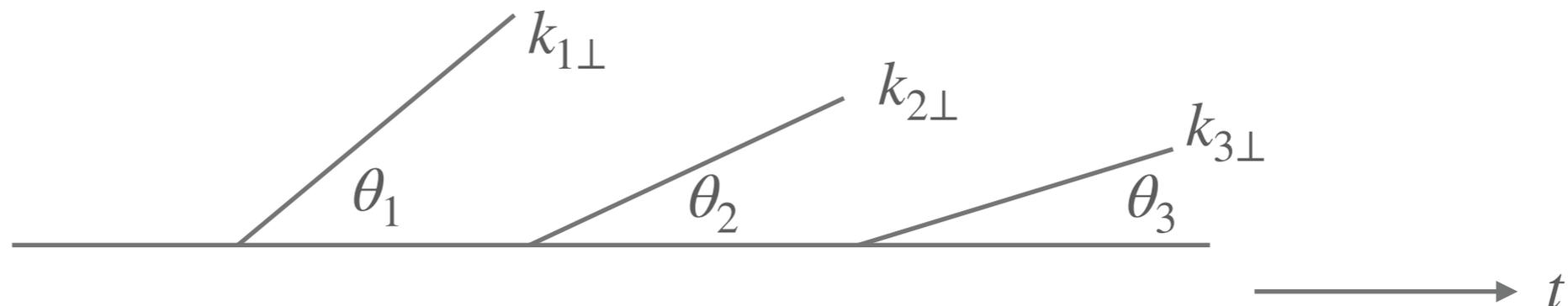
- ✓ for soft small-angle emissions

$$t_f = \frac{1}{zE\theta^2} = \frac{1}{\omega\theta^2} = \frac{\omega}{k_{\perp}^2}$$

$$\omega = zE$$

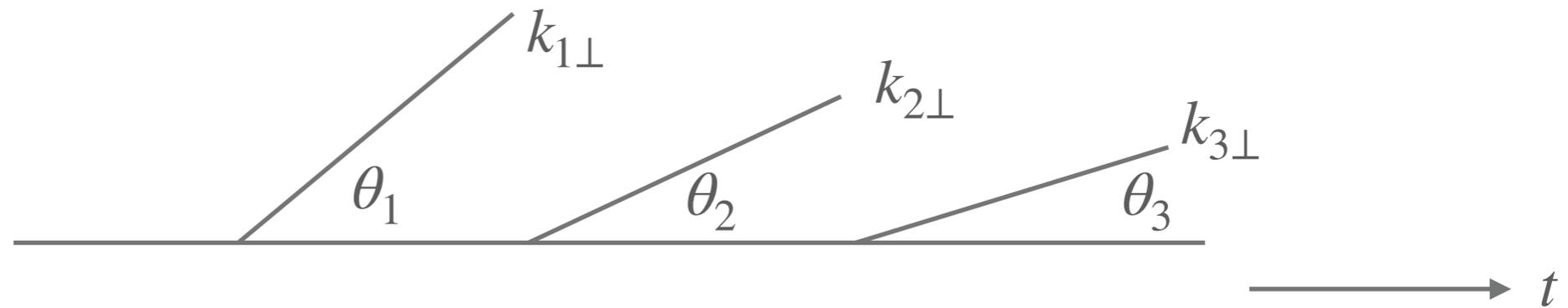
$$k_{\perp} = zE\theta = \omega\theta$$

- ✓ if one considers only primary soft emissions [radiated particles will not radiate further] we get a simple, and rather accurate, prototype of a jet
- ✓ emissions are ordered in angle :: large angle emissions happen early :: small-angle happens late $\theta_1 \gg \theta_2 \gg \theta_3$
- ✓ emissions are ordered in transverse momentum $k_{1\perp} \gg k_{2\perp} \gg k_{3\perp}$



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jets involve a broad range of scales

INTERACTION WITH QGP

- ✓ QGP provides external source of transverse momentum

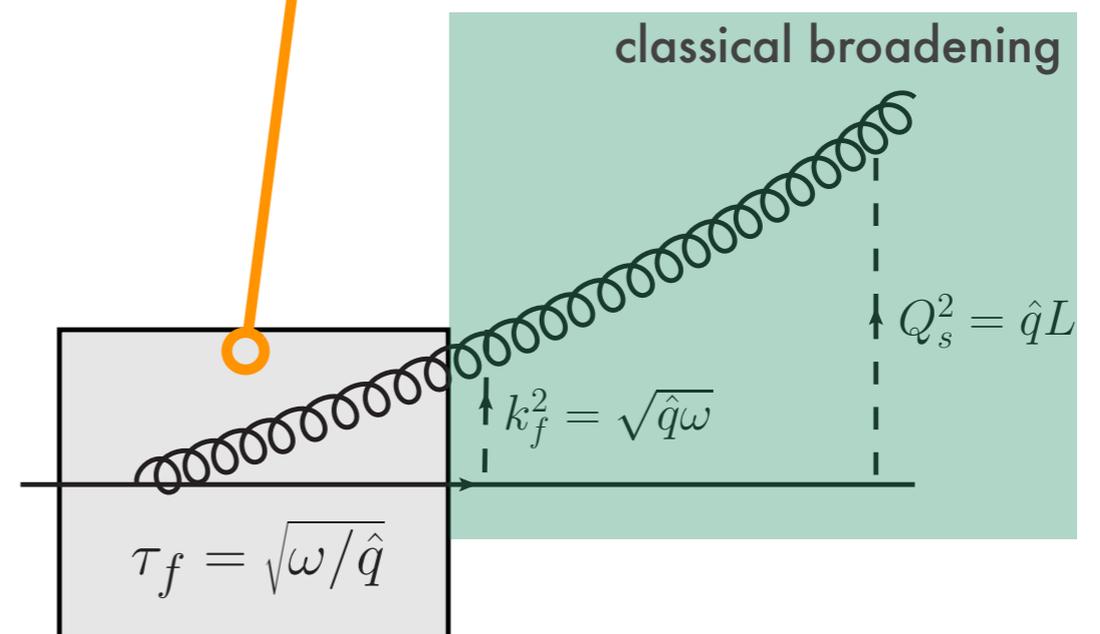
$$t_f = \sqrt{\frac{\omega}{\hat{q}}}$$

$$k_{\perp}^2 = \hat{q}L$$

- ✓ jet structure is modified by QGP

$$\mathcal{R}_q^{\text{med}} \approx 4\omega \int_0^L dt' \int \frac{d^2\mathbf{k}'}{(2\pi)^2} \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{k}', L - t') \sin\left(\frac{\mathbf{k}'^2}{2k_f^2}\right) e^{-\frac{\mathbf{k}'^2}{2k_f^2}}$$

quantum emission/broadening during formation time



PROBING QGP WITH JETS

- ✓ modern jet analysis techniques allow us to correlate specific modifications of jets with specific properties of the QGP-jet interaction
 - ✓ these involve the theoretical description of the interaction from QCD first principles; the use of techniques borrowed from string theory; the development of simulation codes, the identification of the ‘right’ observables; the very selective grooming of the jets; the use of Machine Learning techniques; ...
- ✓ understanding how parts of the jet relax into QGP amounts to understanding how the QGP was born in the first place

this research programme has only started a few years ago

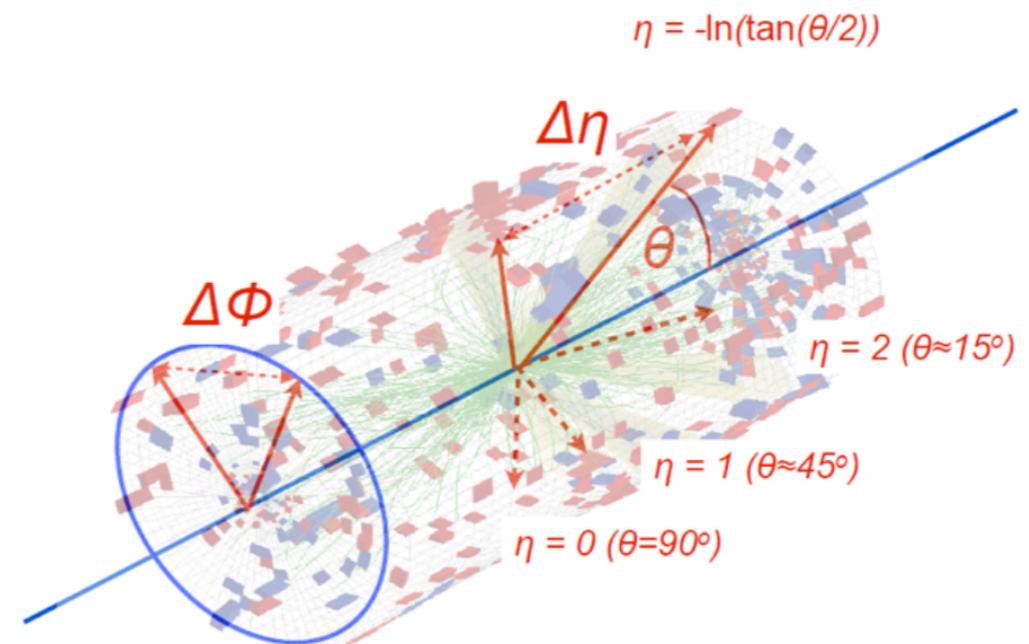
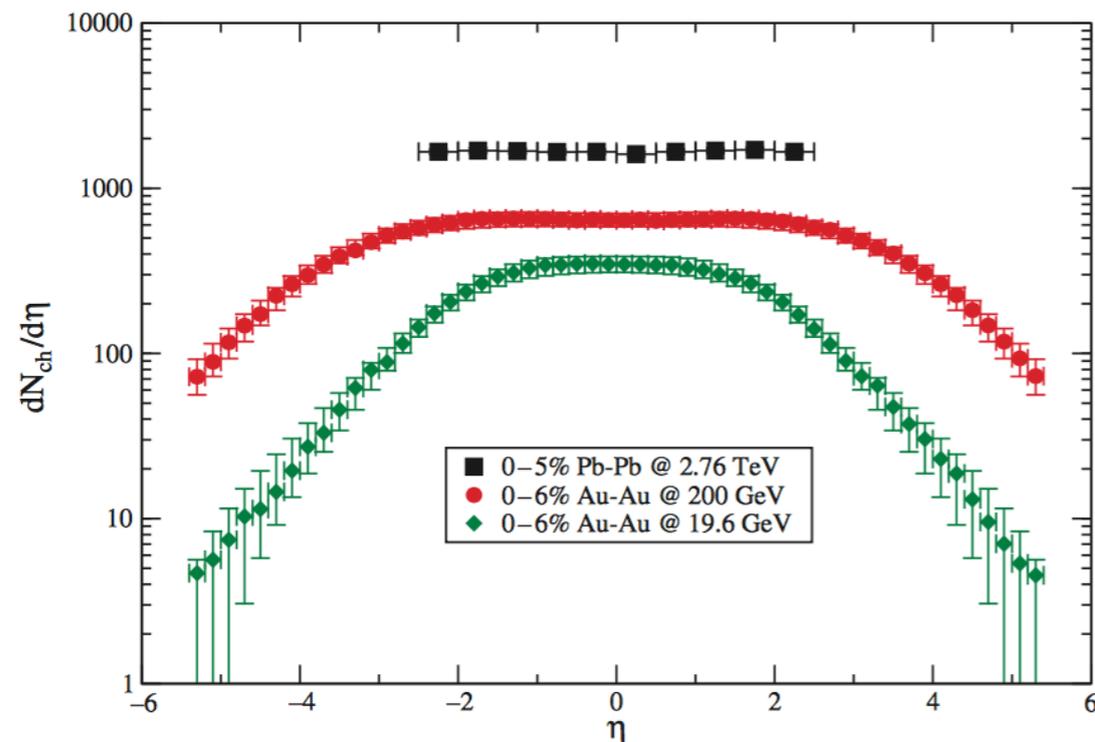
:: most remains to be done and understood ::

BACKUPS

HEAVY ION COLLISIONS

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volume at freezeout [fm ³]	1200	2300	5000 (6200)	11000
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:: all this can be estimated from the number of particles produced at mid-rapidity



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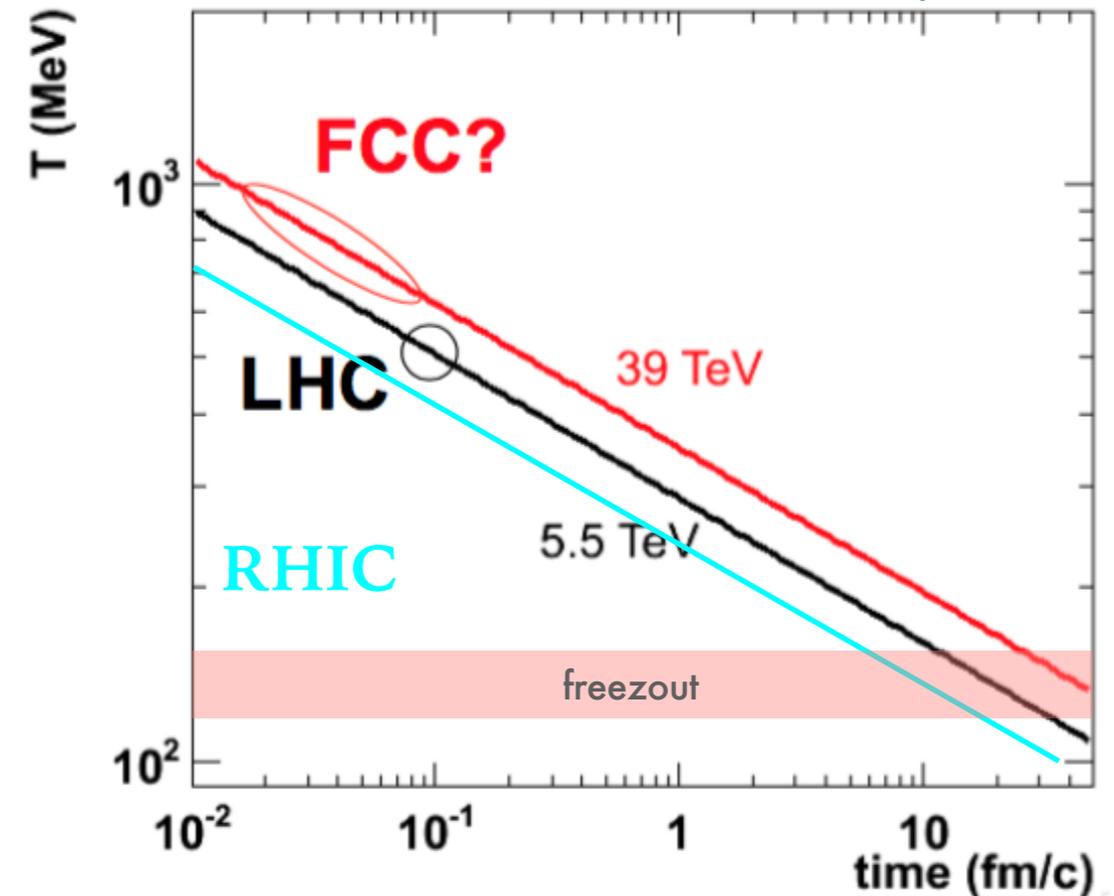
• QGP is short-lived

• in heavy ions \sqrt{s} given per nucleon pair

$$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = \frac{Z}{A} \sqrt{s_{pp}}$$

:: for PbPb [LHC 14TeV] :: $82/208 \times 14 = 5.5 \text{ TeV}$

[FCC] CERN Yellow Report 2017



QCD IN ONE SLIDE

:: each quark flavour [u,d,c,s,b,t] exists in 3 colours [r,g,b]

:: quark carries one colour index :: fundamental representation of SU(3) [triplet]

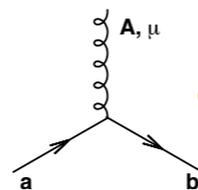
$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD} = \sum_{\text{flavours}} \bar{\psi}_a (i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu - m) \psi_a \quad \text{kinetic term :: quark propagation}$$

not gauge invariant

:: need to introduce gauge field [gluon] to fulfil gauge invariance

:: gluon carries two colour indices :: adjoint representation of SU(3) [octet]

$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD} = \sum_{\text{flavours}} \left(\bar{\psi}_a (i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu - m) \psi_a - g_s \bar{\psi}_a \gamma^\mu t_{ab}^C A_\mu^C \psi_b \right)$$



interaction term quark-gluon vertex

gauge field

:: once new field available, include all further gauge invariant terms

$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD} = \sum_{\text{flavours}} \bar{\psi}_a \left((i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu - m) \delta_{ab} - g_s \gamma^\mu t_{ab}^C A_\mu^C \right) \psi_b - \frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^A F^{\mu\nu,A}$$

$$F_{\mu\nu}^A = \partial_\mu \mathcal{A}_\nu^A - \partial_\nu \mathcal{A}_\mu^A - g_s f_{ABC} \mathcal{A}_\mu^B \mathcal{A}_\nu^C \quad [t^A, t^B] = if_{ABC} t^C$$

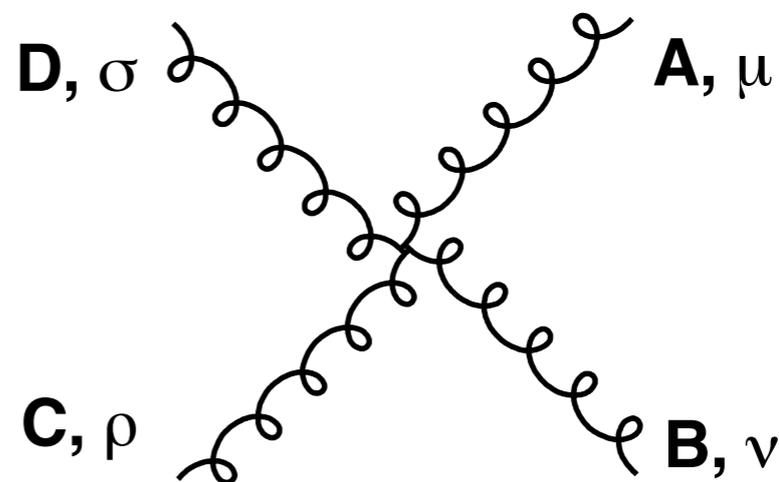
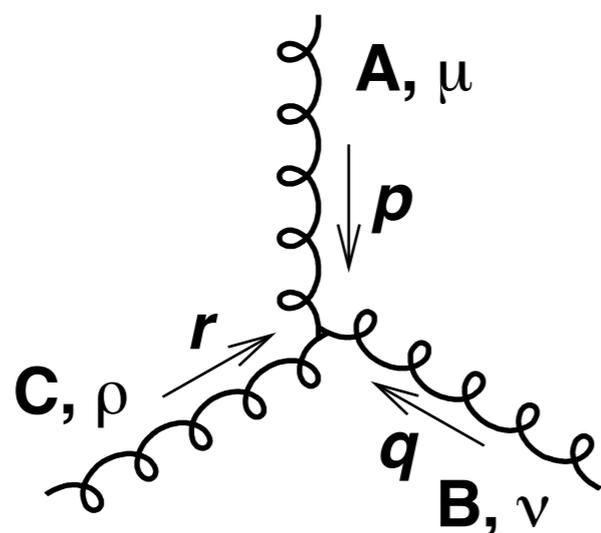
Lagrangian structure fixed by requirement of SU(3)_{colour} gauge symmetry

WELL, TWO...

$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^A F^{\mu\nu,A} + \sum_{\text{flavours}} \bar{\psi}_a \left((i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu - m) \delta_{ab} - g_s \gamma^\mu t_{ab}^C A_\mu^C \right) \psi_b$$

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○ gluon propagator + gluon self-interactions



Quark masses

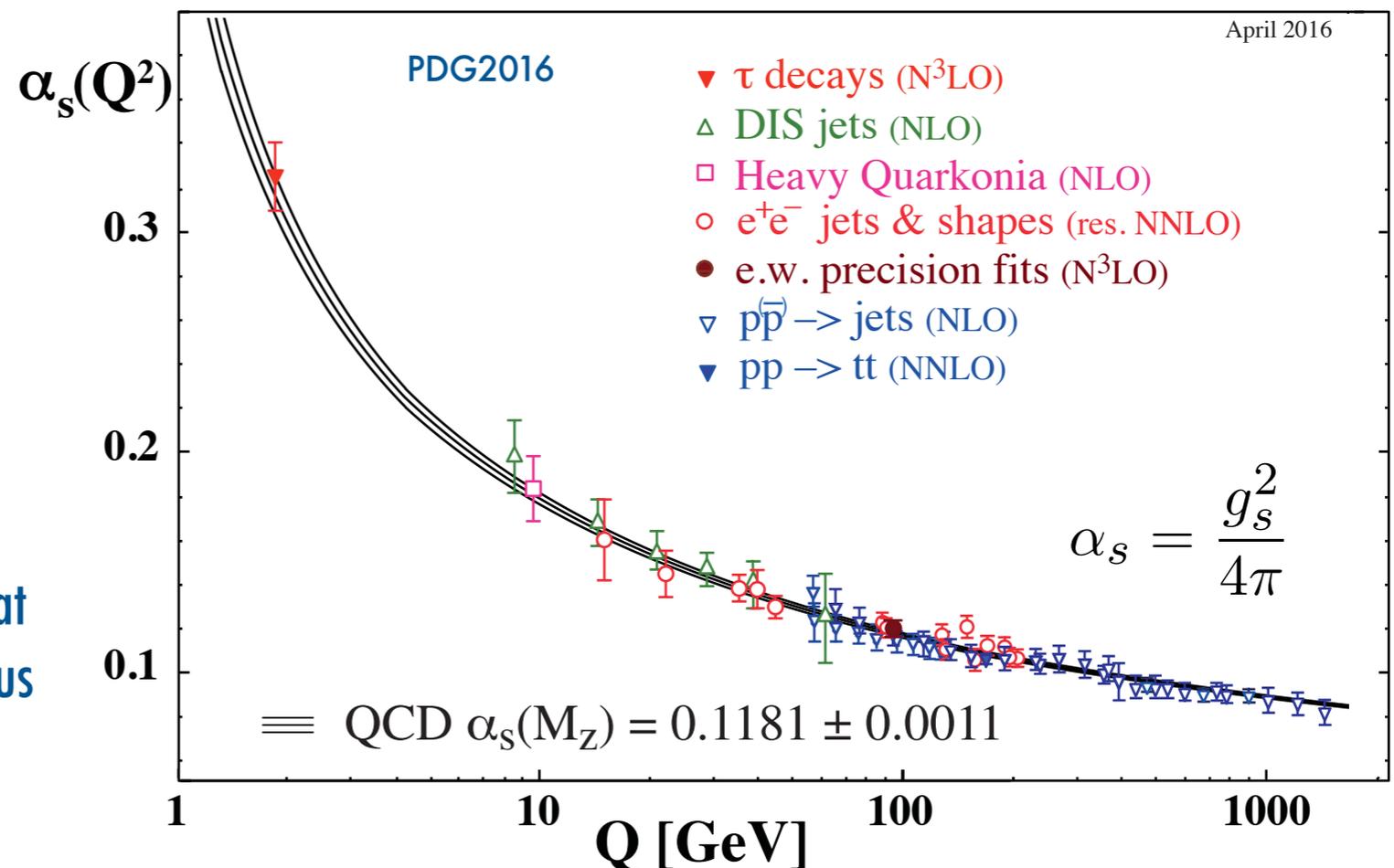
Up	2.3 MeV	Charm	1275 MeV	Top	173 GeV
Down	4.8 MeV	Strange	95 MeV	Bottom	4180 MeV

ASYMPTOTIC FREEDOM AND CONFINEMENT

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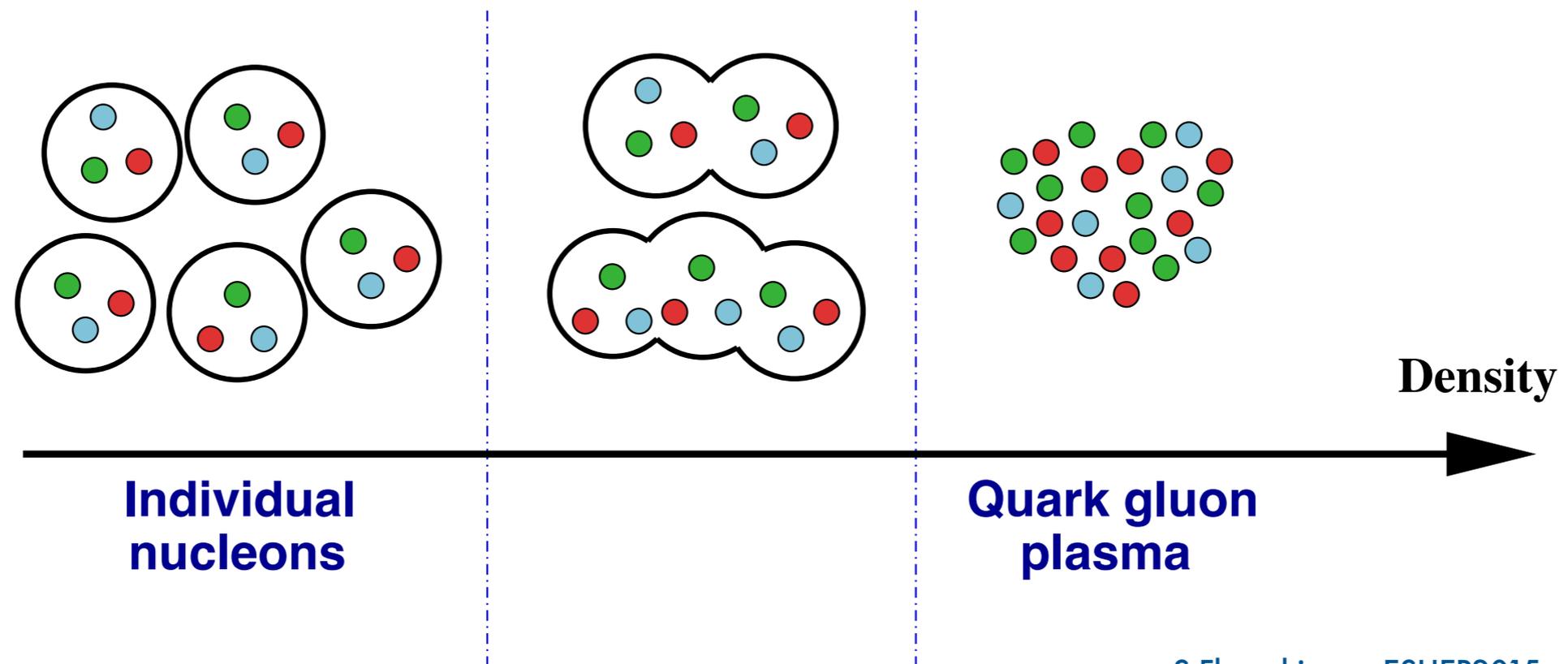
- ✓ renormalization [cancellation of divergences in higher order corrections] makes the coupling scale dependant
- ✓ self-interacting gauge fields lead to asymptotic freedom

:: quarks and gluon can only behave freely at high momentum scales [small distances] thus always observed confined within hadrons



DECONFINEMENT

- ✓ temperature/energy density acts as scale to free quarks and gluons beyond the nucleon radius

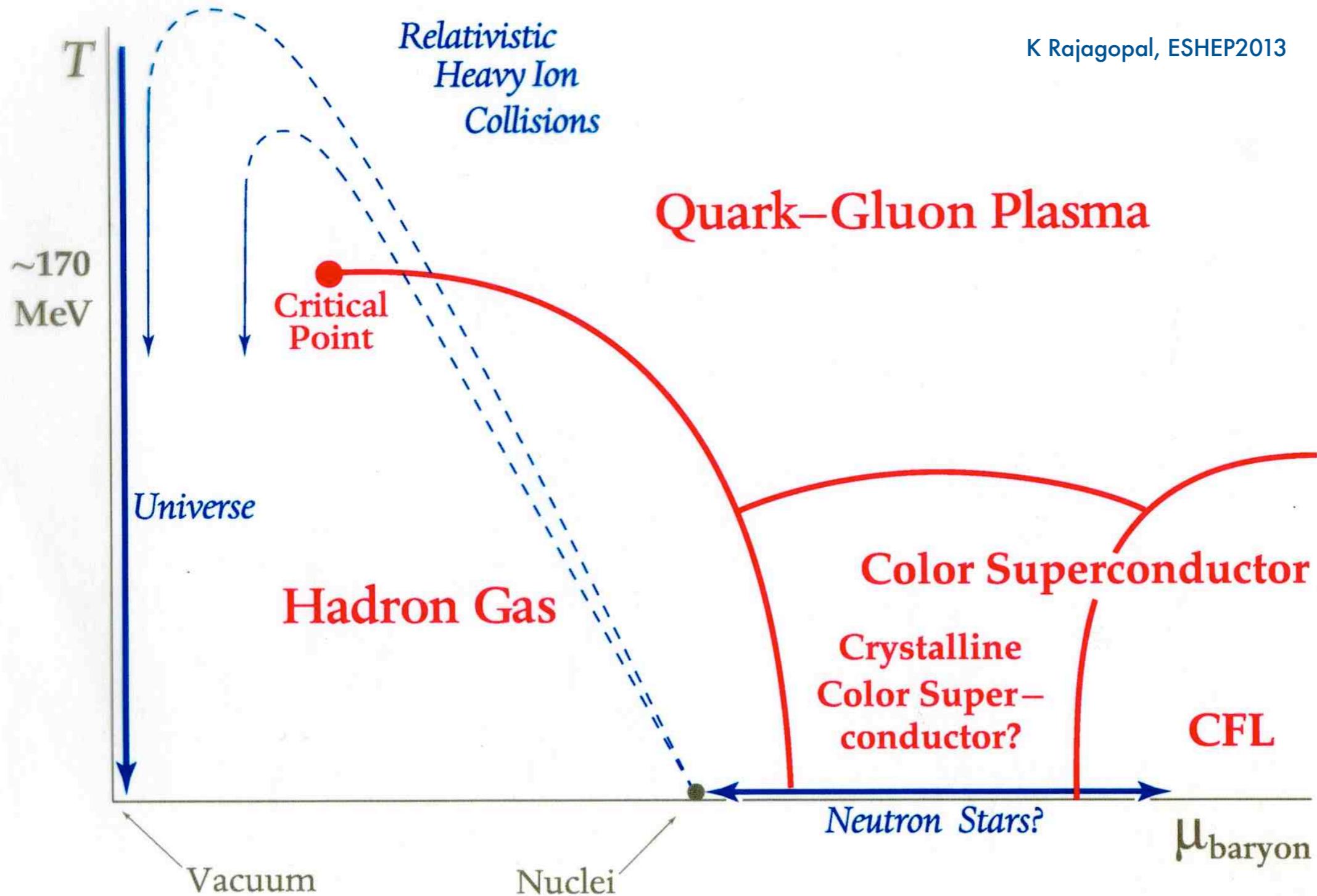


S Floerchinger, ESHEP2015

:: at high temperature/energy density quark and gluons deconfined

:: no sharp transition [cross-over]

QCD PHASE DIAGRAM



QCD THERMODYNAMICS

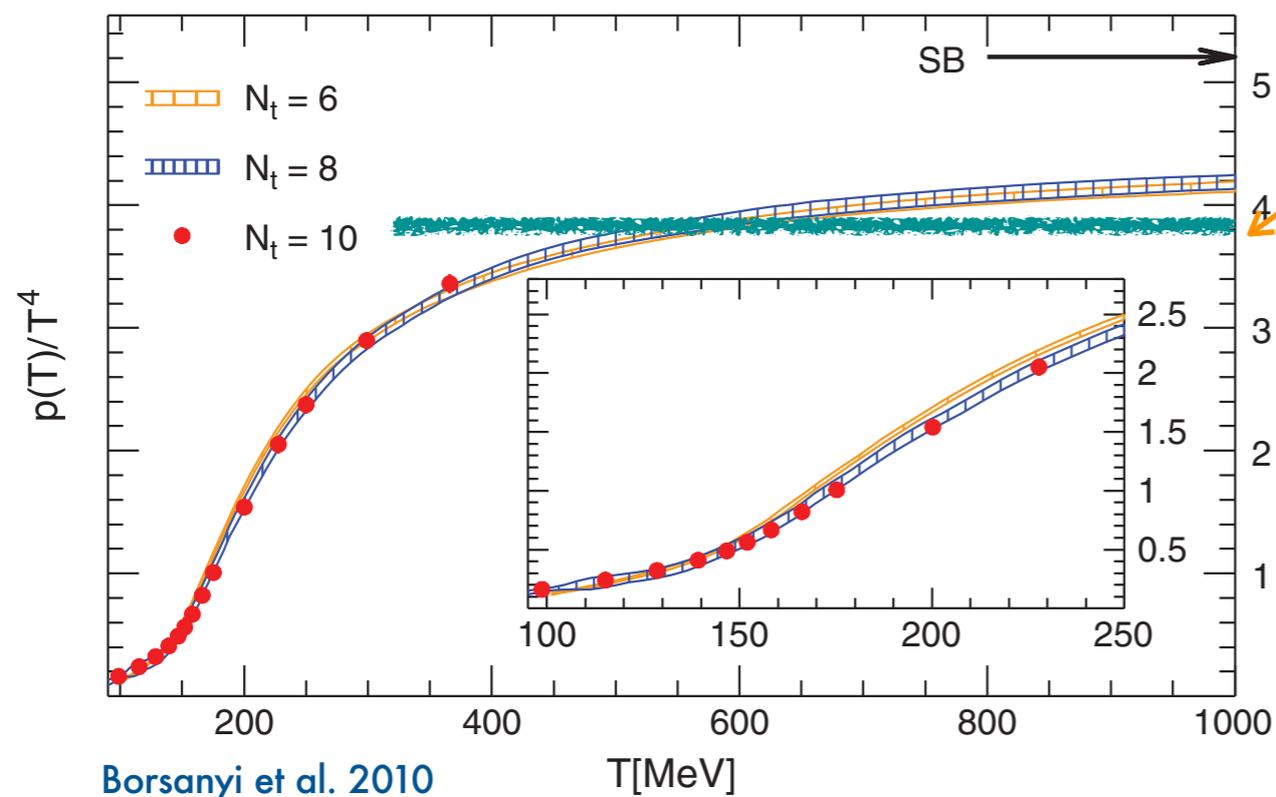
pressure of gas of NB massless bosons and NF massless fermions [SB]

$$p(T) = \frac{\pi^2}{90} \left(N_B + \frac{7}{8} N_F \right) T^4$$

$$N_B = 2 \times 8, \quad N_F = 2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 3$$

spin
color
spin
particle/antiparticle
color
flavor: u/d/s

lattice QCD [first principles calculation]

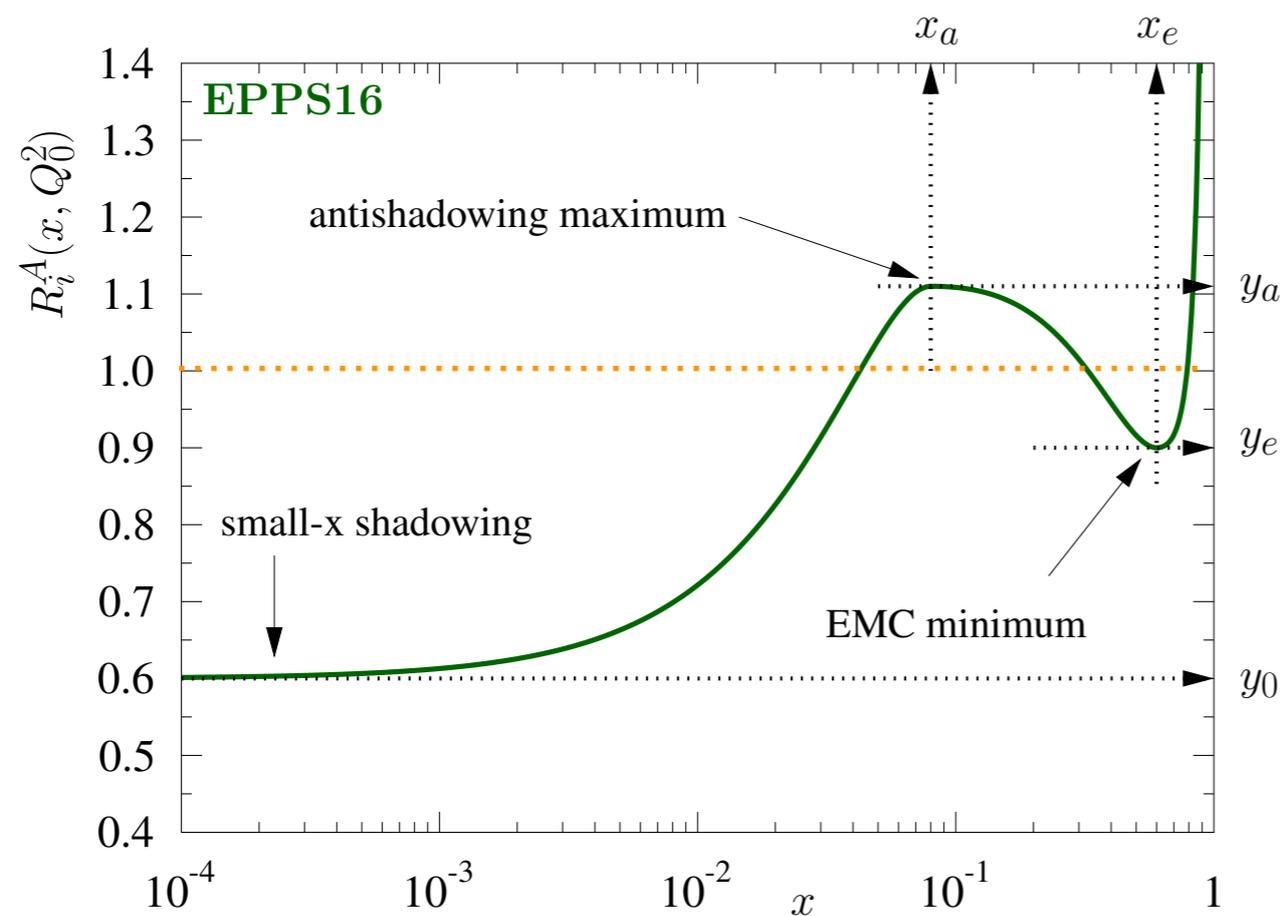


N=4 SYM [not QCD] :: strongly [∞] coupled as different as it gets from ideal gas

NUCLEAR PARTON DISTRIBUTION FUNCTIONS [nPDF].....

- ✓ nuclei are not a simple superposition of nucleons
- ✓ parton distributions in a bound nucleon are different than those of a free proton/neutron

$$f_i^{p/A}(x, Q^2) = R_i^A(x, Q^2) f_i^p(x, Q^2)$$



HOW TO SEE THE QGP

✓ soft particle correlations :: flows, ...

- ✓ sensitive to global QGP properties
- ✗ analogous behaviour in high multiplicity pA and pp confounds straightforward interpretation [very personal opinion]

✓ electroweak bosons

- ✓ oblivious to QGP [benchmark]

✓ quarkonia/heavy flavour

- ✓ sensitive to temperature
- ✗ underconstrained vacuum benchmark

✓ energetic hadrons

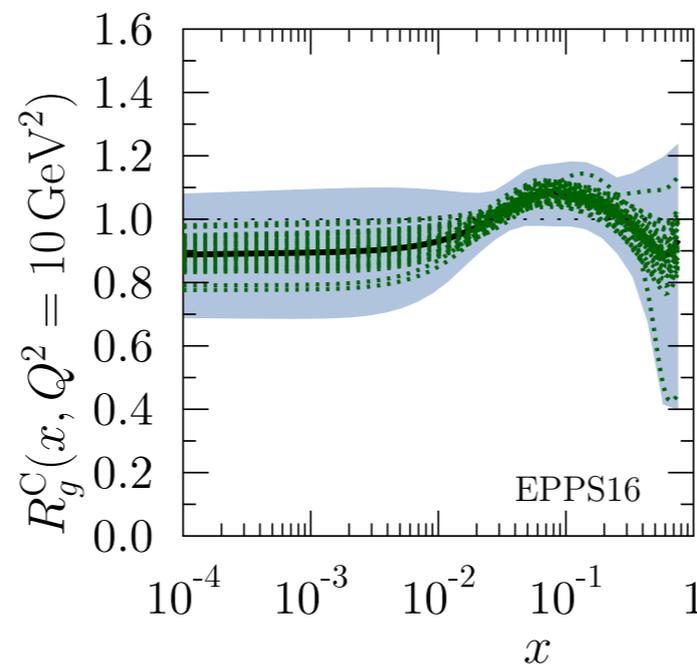
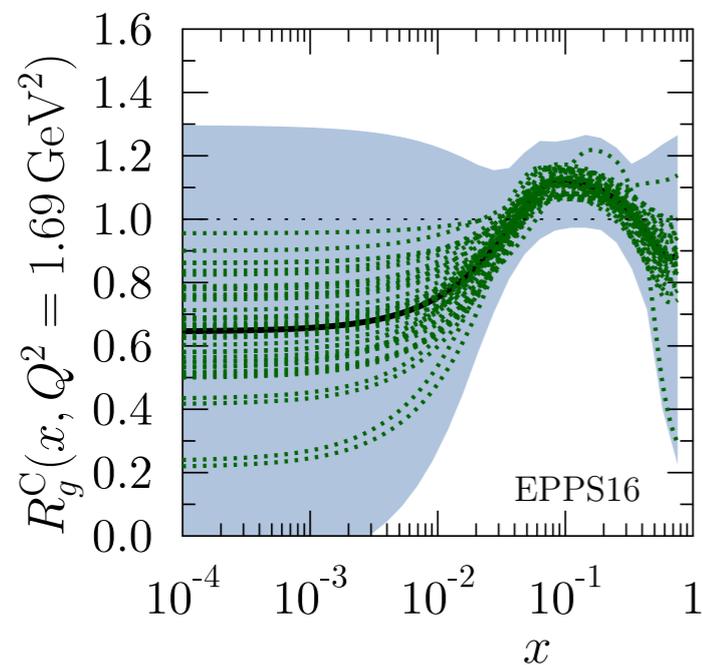
- ✓ the parton(s) they originate from traverse and interact with QGP
- ✗ very sensitive to hadronization

✓ jets

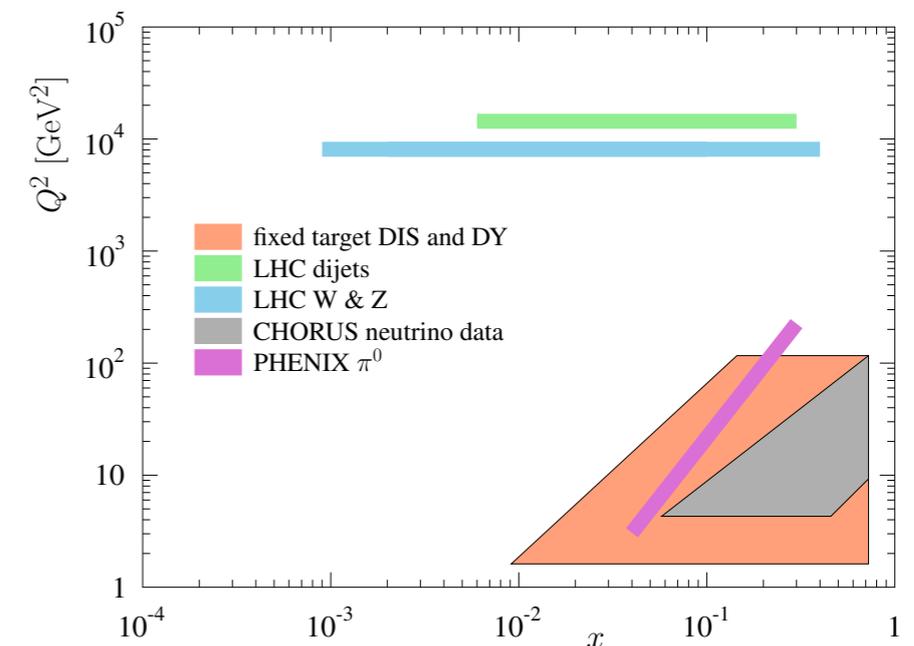
- ✓ multi-scale sensitivity to QGP
- ✓ vacuum benchmark under excellent theoretical control
- ✗ need to deal with large and fluctuating contamination from underlying event

NUCLEAR PARTON DISTRIBUTION FUNCTIONS [nPDF].....

- ✓ modifications less important at higher momentum scales
[more important for soft processes than for hard]



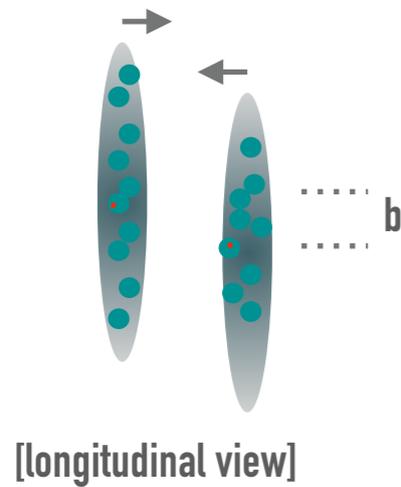
$$f_i^{p/A}(x, Q^2) = R_i^A(x, Q^2) f_i^p(x, Q^2)$$



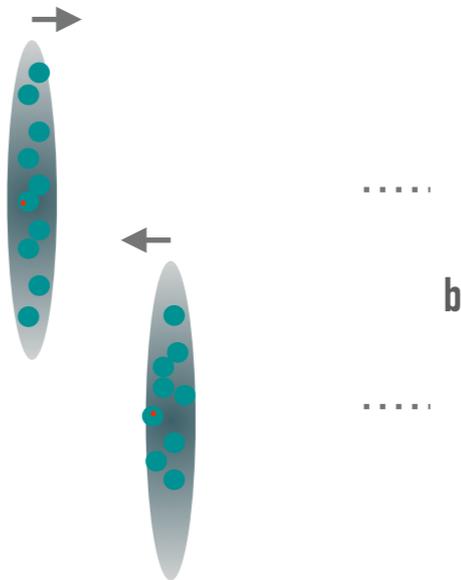
:: constraining data is sparse [uncertainties larger than ideal]

COLLISION GEOMETRY

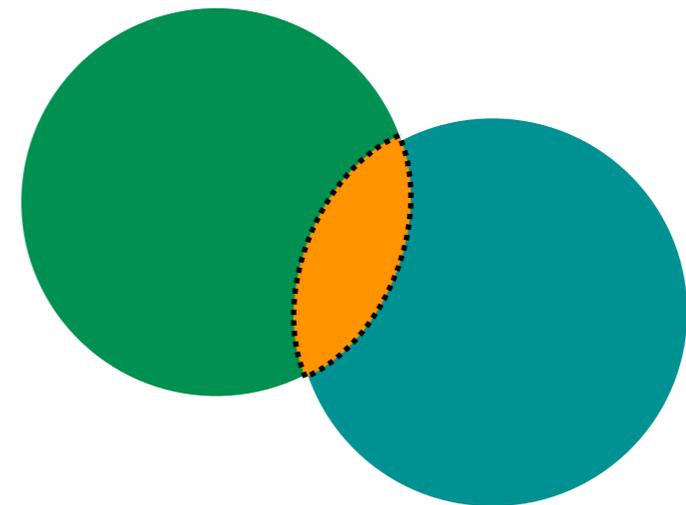
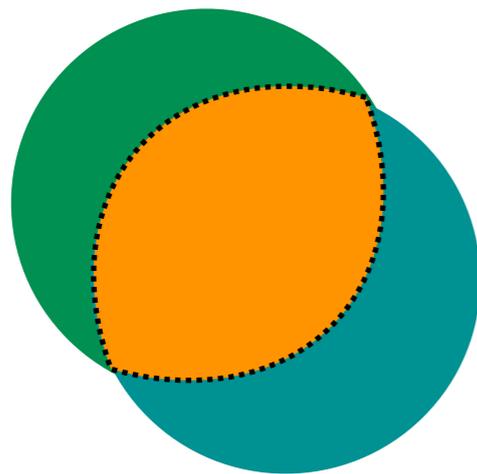
- ✓ impact parameter of collision defines initial geometry [size and shape of overlap]



central collision

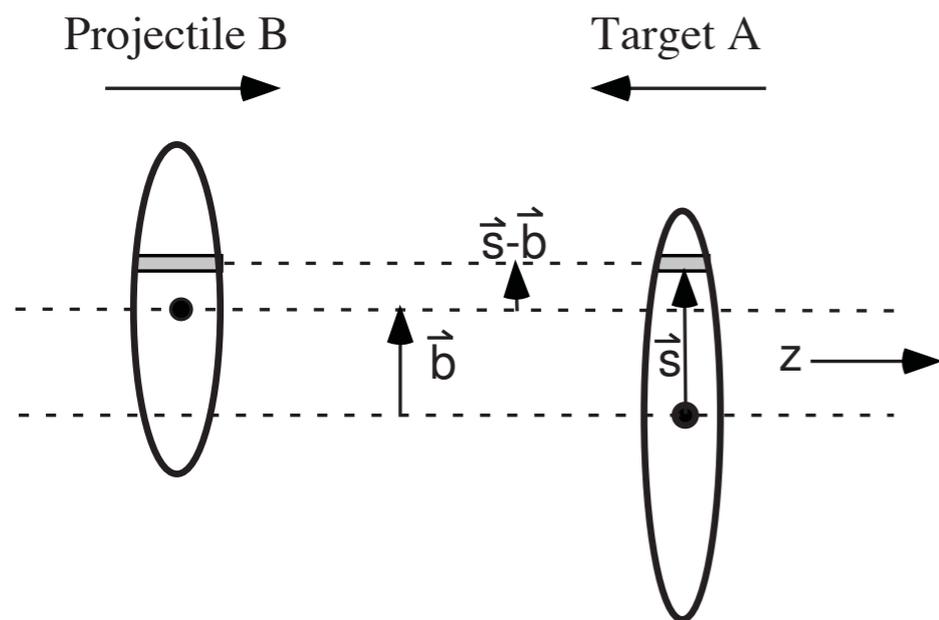


peripheral collision



COLLISION GEOMETRY [GLAUBER MODEL]

- ✓ impact parameter cannot be measured, it has to be related to observables through modelling
- ✓ optical [analytical] Glauber model allows for the computation of the [average] number of participants and collisions for a given impact parameter



* **overlap function [overlap area for which a nucleon in A can interact with a nucleon in B]**

$$\hat{T}_{AB}(\mathbf{b}) = \int \hat{T}_A(\mathbf{s}) \hat{T}_B(\mathbf{s} - \mathbf{b}) d^2s$$

* **probability for n interactions**

$$P(n, \mathbf{b}) = \binom{AB}{n} \left[\hat{T}_{AB}(\mathbf{b}) \sigma_{\text{inel}}^{\text{NN}} \right]^n \left[1 - \hat{T}_{AB}(\mathbf{b}) \sigma_{\text{inel}}^{\text{NN}} \right]^{AB-n}$$

* **number of participants**

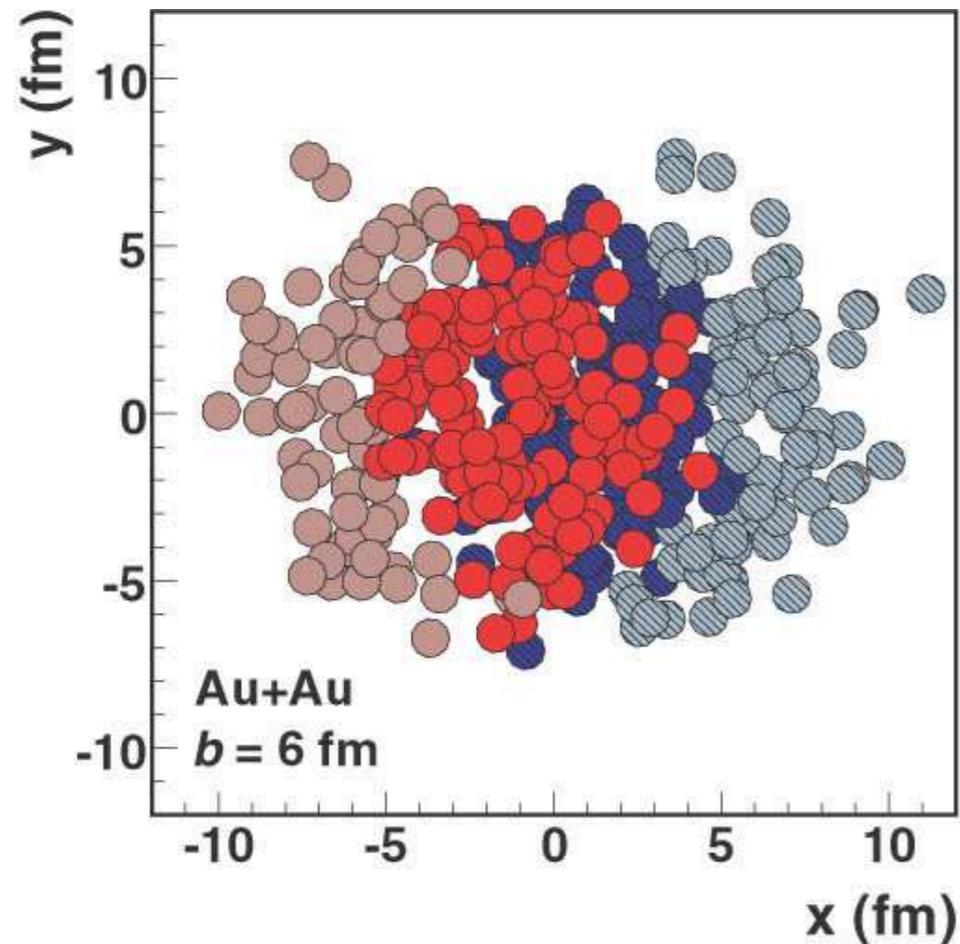
$$N_{\text{part}}(\mathbf{b}) = A \int \hat{T}_A(\mathbf{s}) \left\{ 1 - \left[1 - \hat{T}_B(\mathbf{s} - \mathbf{b}) \sigma_{\text{inel}}^{\text{NN}} \right]^B \right\} d^2s + B \int \hat{T}_B(\mathbf{s} - \mathbf{b}) \left\{ 1 - \left[1 - \hat{T}_A(\mathbf{s}) \sigma_{\text{inel}}^{\text{NN}} \right]^A \right\} d^2s,$$

* **number of nucleon-nucleon collisions**

$$N_{\text{coll}}(b) = \sum_{n=1}^{AB} n P(n, b) = AB \hat{T}_{AB}(b) \sigma_{\text{inel}}^{\text{NN}}$$

COLLISION GEOMETRY [GLAUBER MC]

✓ to account for fluctuations, a ‘Glauber MC’ is used

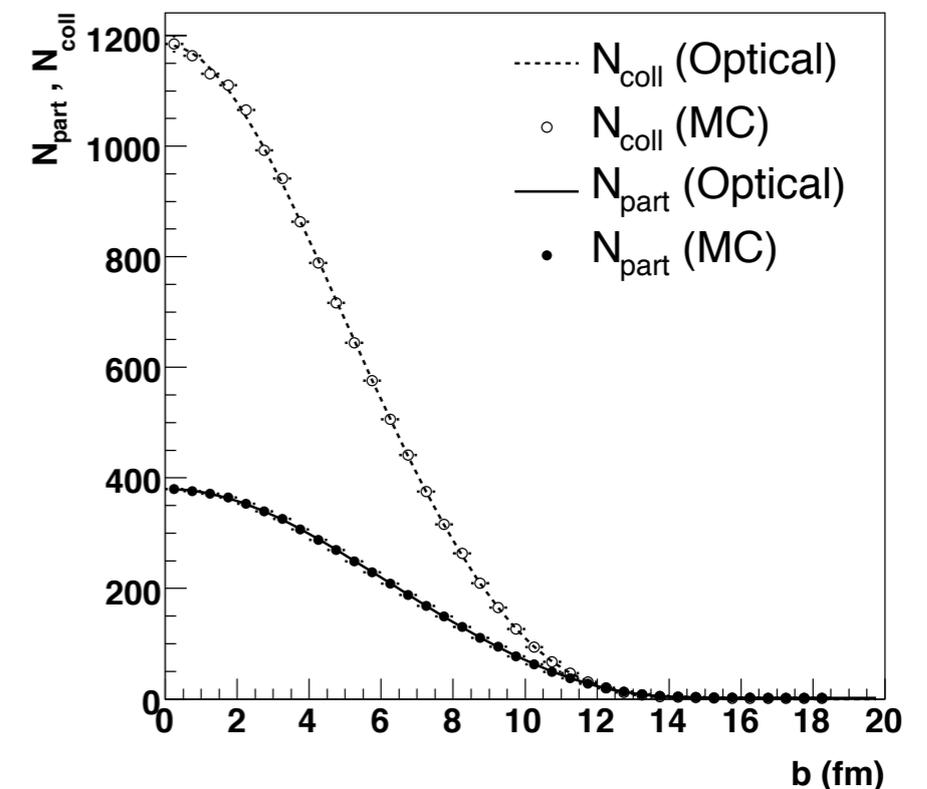


+ take nucleon-nucleon cross-section from pp measurements

+ distribute nucleons in nuclei by sampling Wood-Saxons distribution

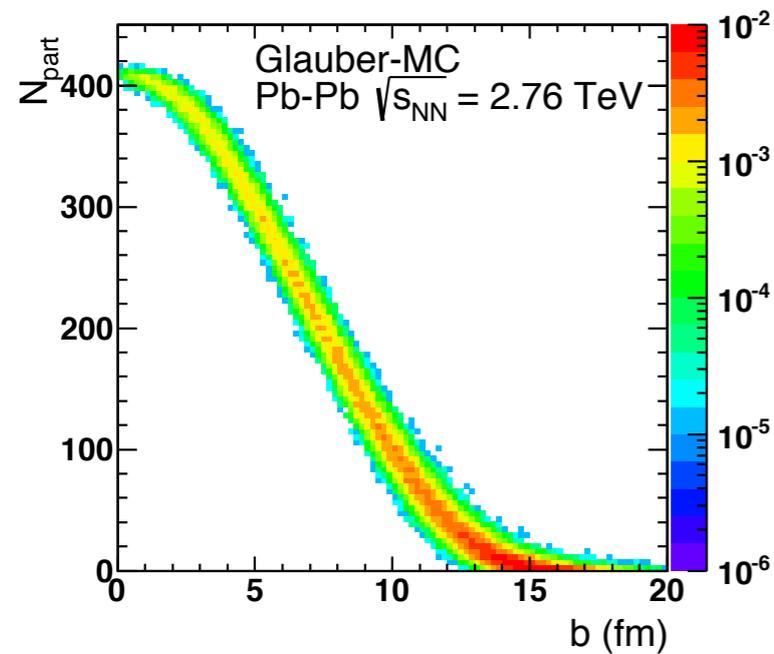
$$\rho(r) = \rho_0 \frac{1}{1 + \exp(r-R/a)}$$

Density in the center ρ_0
 Nuclear radius R
 Skin depth a

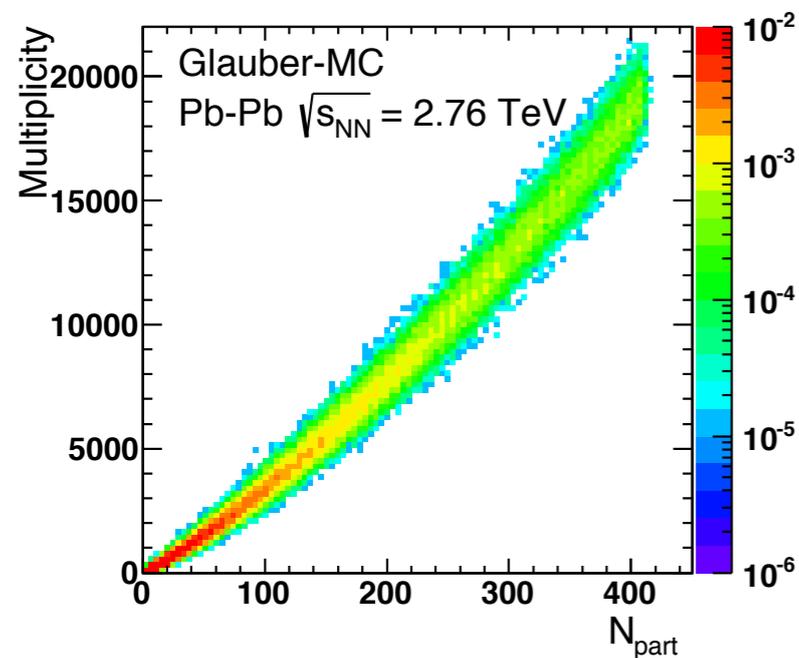


- ✓ $N_{\text{part}} \sim$ number of nucleons
- ✓ $N_{\text{coll}} \sim (\text{number of nucleons})^{4/3}$
- ✓ soft [low p_t] observables $\sim N_{\text{coll}}$
- ✓ hard [high p_t] observables $\sim N_{\text{part}}$

COLLISION GEOMETRY [MEASUREMENT]



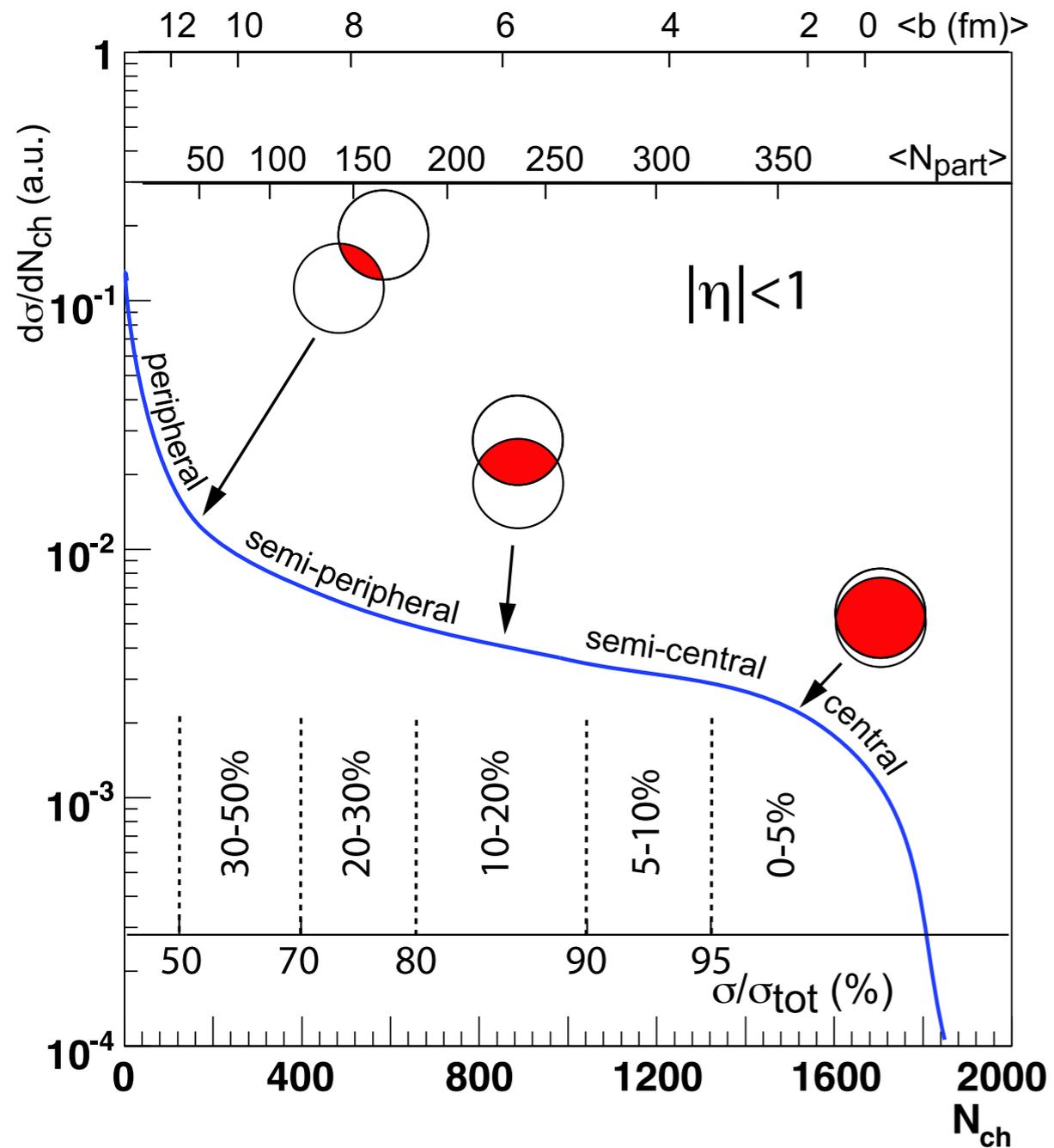
N_{part} [also N_{coll}] tightly correlated with impact parameter



activity [multiplicity or calorimetric energy] computed from model[s] for particle production tightly correlated with N_{part}

:: centrality can be inferred from activity or, alternatively, from spectators [not so simple in proton-nucleus where large fluctuations fuzz the correlations]

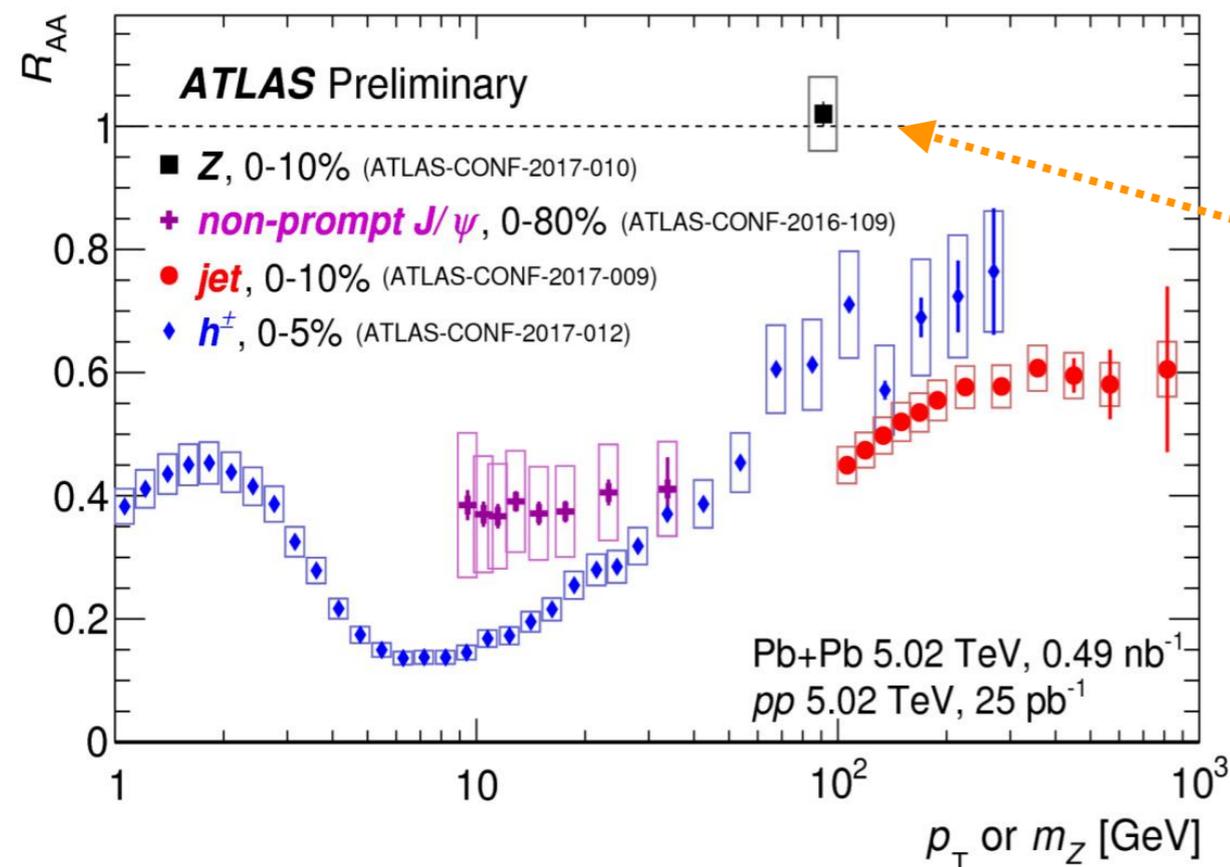
COLLISION GEOMETRY [MEASUREMENT]



- ✓ centrality defined as percentile ranges of minimum-bias cross section

NUCLEAR MODIFICATION RATIOS [R_{AA}]

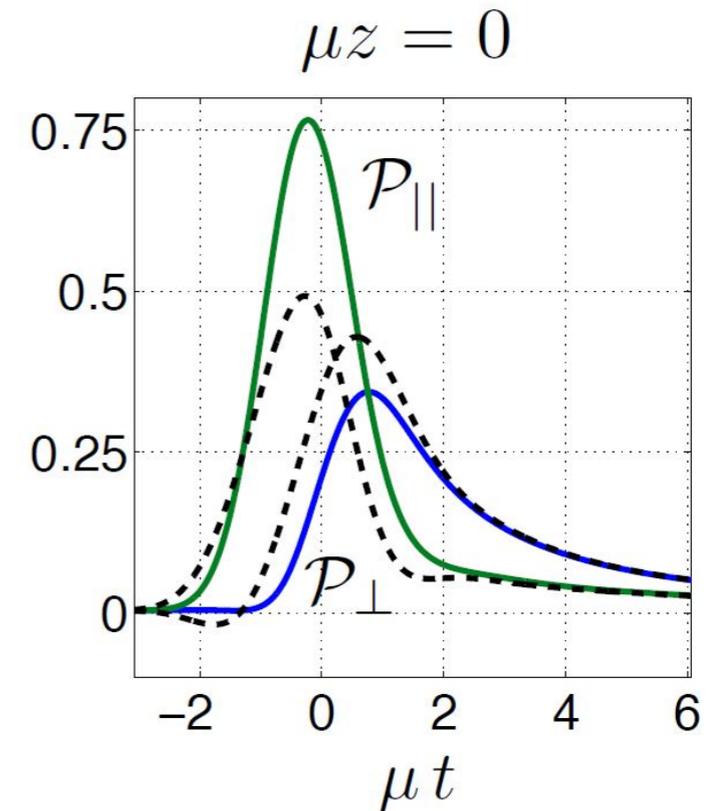
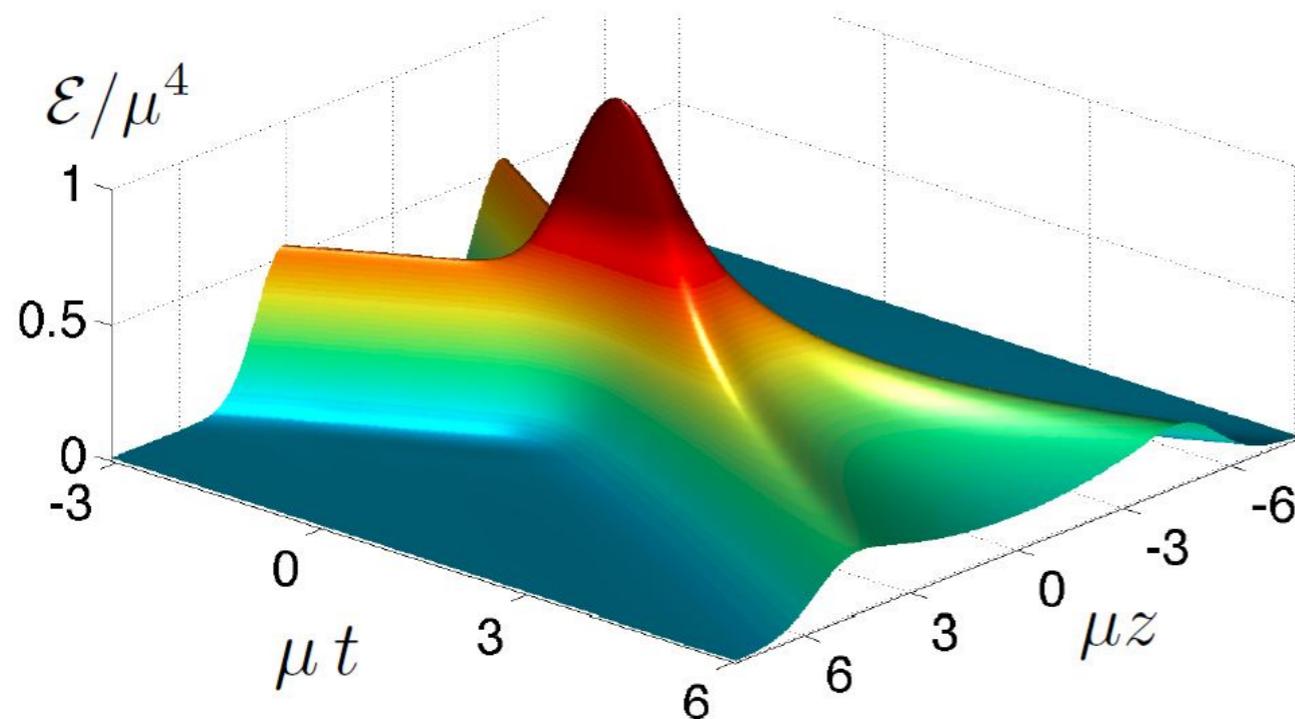
- ✓ a standard procedure to seek for QGP effects is to take ratios [PbPb over pp] of a given measured quantity [cross-section, yield, ...]
- ✓ pp result must be scaled by the number of collisions [Glauber]
- ✓ deviations from unity signal effects beyond incoherent superposition of nucleon-nucleon collisions



EW gauge bosons oblivious to QGP

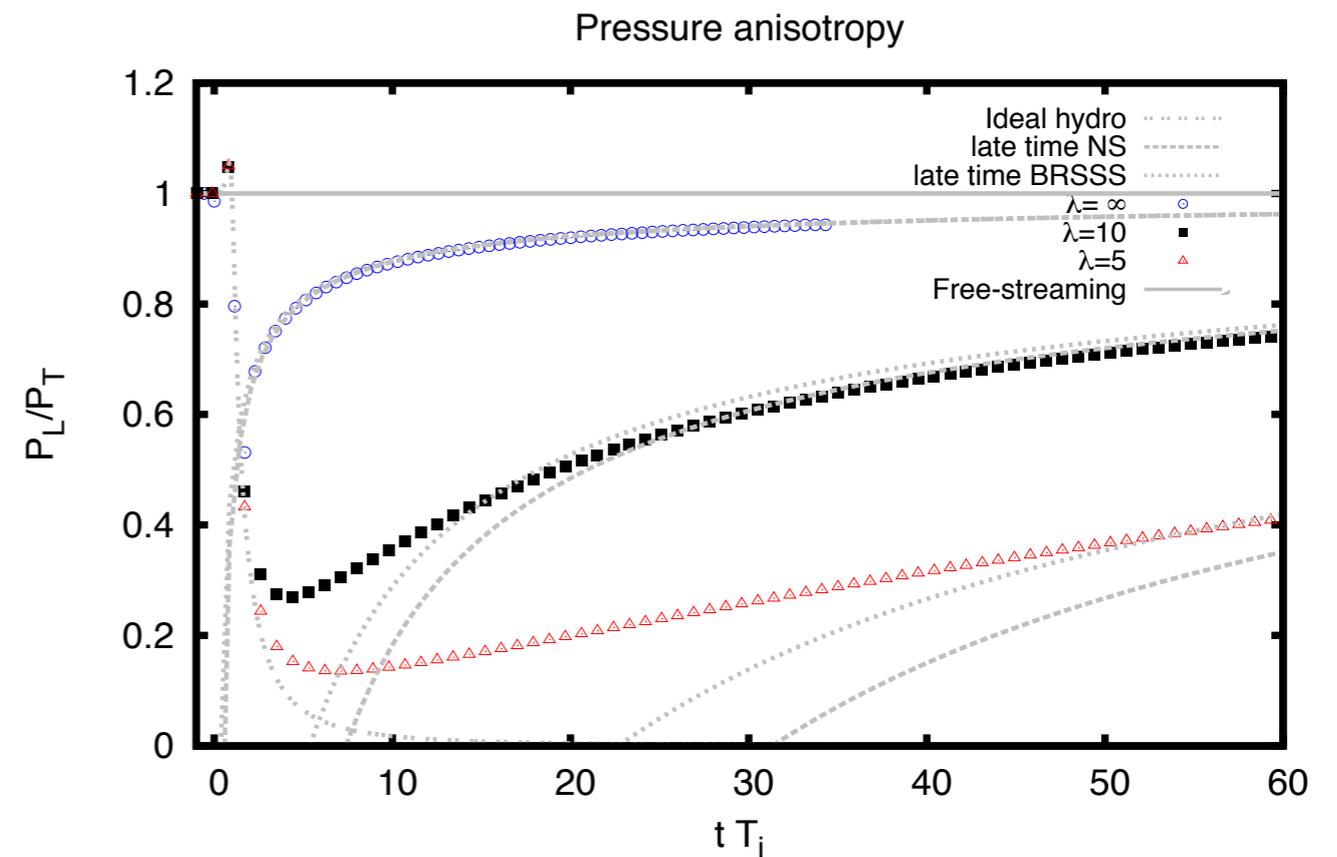
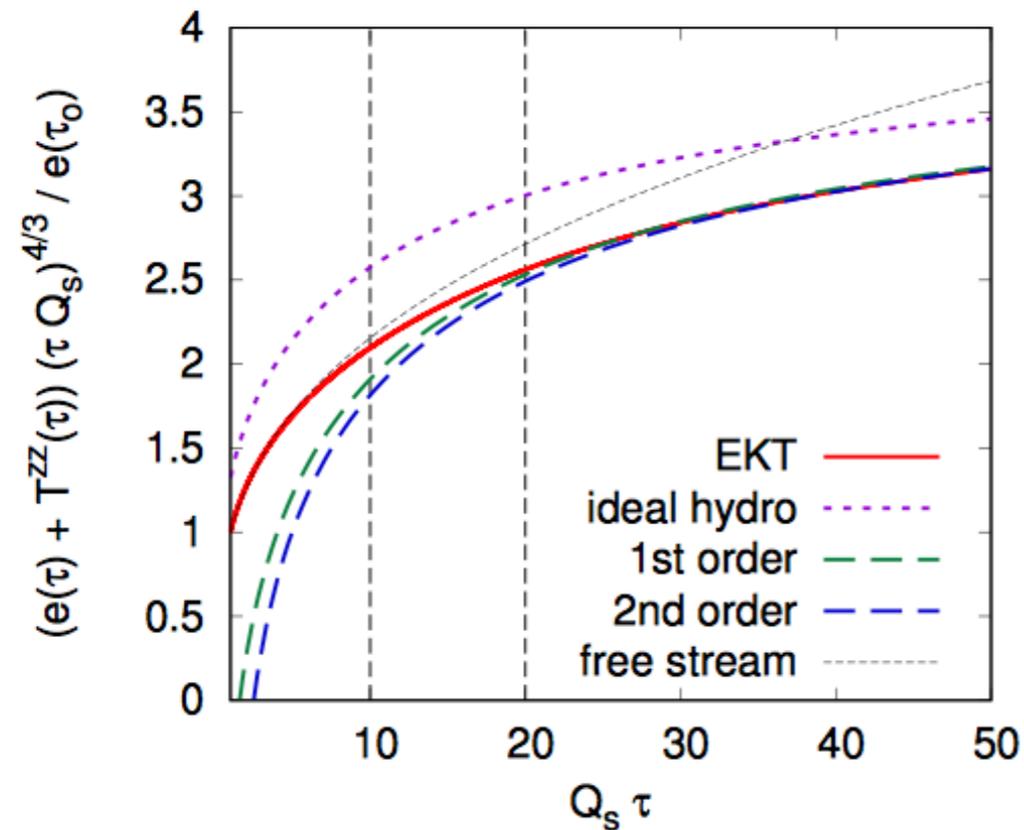
$$R_{AA}(\{\cdot\}) = \frac{\left. \frac{d\mathcal{O}}{d\{\cdot\}} \right|_{AA}}{\langle N_{coll} \rangle \left. \frac{d\mathcal{O}}{d\{\cdot\}} \right|_{pp}}$$

HOW DOES QGP COME INTO BEING?



- ✓ towards-equilibrium dynamics can be solved in N=4 SYM at strong coupling [AdS/CFT correspondence comes in handy]
- ✓ collision of shockwaves in 5d
- ✓ hydrodynamization related to creation of BH in 5th dim
- ✓ hydrodynamical behaviour reached very quickly [$\tau \sim 1/T$]
- ✓ unfortunately N=4 SYM is not QCD

HOW DOES QGP COME INTO BEING?



- ✓ kinetic theory [weak coupling] can describe the dynamics bringing out-of-equilibrium initial condition towards hydrodynamical behaviour
- ✓ note that hydrodynamics appears to become applicable well before when it naively should [$P_L \sim P_T$]
- ✓ deep theoretical challenge cutting across many fields of physics

HYDRODYNAMICS

- ✓ description of long-distance [low momentum], long-time, strongly coupled dynamics in terms of macroscopic quantities [eq. of state, shear/bulk viscosities, relaxation times, etc.]
- ✓ incredibly successful in heavy-ion collisions
 - ✓ QGP is a fluid

IDEAL HYDRODYNAMICS

:: energy momentum tensor for fluid in global thermal equilibrium

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \epsilon u^\mu u^\nu + p (g^{\mu\nu} + u^\mu u^\nu)$$

○ velocity field

○ metric

:: thermodynamical equation of state

$$p = p(\epsilon)$$

○ pressure

○ energy density

:: ideal fluid → local thermal equilibrium

$$u^\mu = u^\mu(x) \quad \epsilon = \epsilon(x)$$

:: energy-momentum conservation → hydrodynamical evolution equations

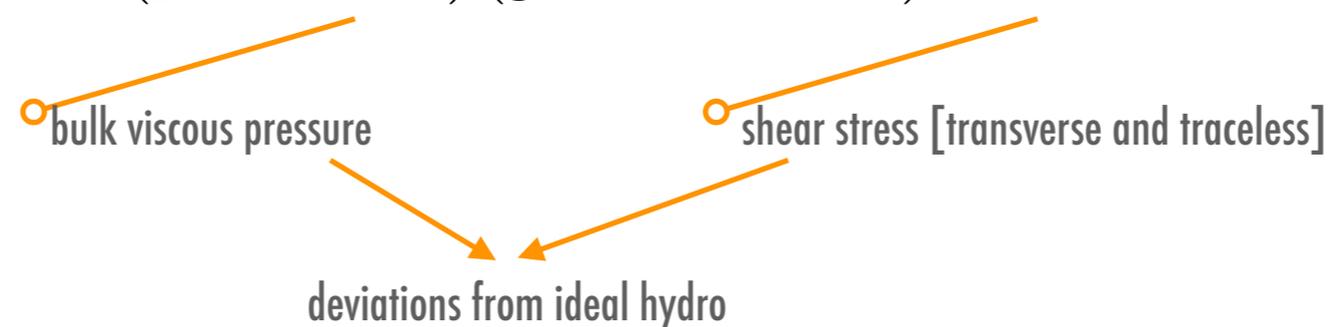
$$\nabla_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0 \implies u^\mu \partial_\mu \epsilon + (\epsilon + p) \nabla_\mu u^\mu = 0$$

$$(\epsilon + p) u^\mu \nabla_\mu u^\nu + (g^{\nu\mu} + u^\nu u^\mu) \partial_\mu p = 0$$

VISCOUS HYDRODYNAMICS

:: more general energy momentum tensor

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \epsilon u^\mu u^\nu + (p + \pi_{\text{bulk}})(g^{\mu\nu} + u^\mu u^\nu) + \pi^{\mu\nu}$$



:: can be organized as a derivative [gradient] expansion

$$\pi_{\text{bulk}} = -\zeta \nabla_\mu u^\mu + \dots,$$

$$\pi^{\mu\nu} = -2\eta \left(\frac{1}{2} \Delta^{\mu\alpha} \Delta^{\nu\beta} + \frac{1}{2} \Delta^{\mu\beta} \Delta^{\nu\alpha} - \frac{1}{3} \Delta^{\mu\nu} \Delta^{\alpha\beta} \right) \nabla_\alpha u_\beta + \dots$$

$$\Delta^{\mu\nu} = g^{\mu\nu} + u^\mu u^\nu$$

:: at first order, dependence on bulk viscosity [$\zeta = \zeta(\epsilon)$] and shear viscosity [$\eta = \eta(\epsilon)$]

:: at higher orders, further coefficients...

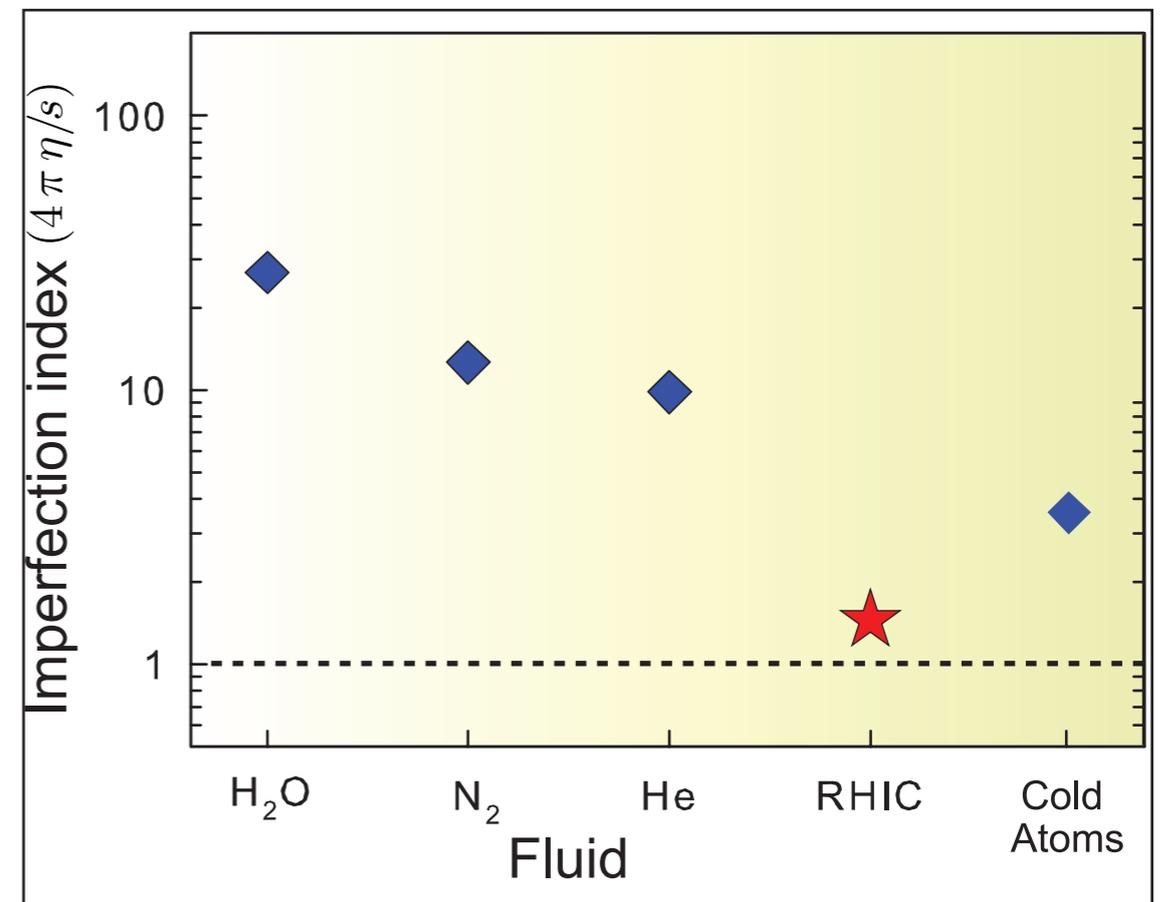
:: increasingly complicated evolution equations [to be solved numerically]

TRANSPORT PROPERTIES

- ✓ viscosity is due to transport of momentum
 - ✓ large η/s requires momentum to be transported over distances $s^{-1/3}$ by well-defined quasiparticles
 - ✓ for small η/s there are no quasi-particles
- ✓ QGP has very small η/s
- ✓ efficient momentum transport converts spatial properties [asymmetries] into momentum asymmetries

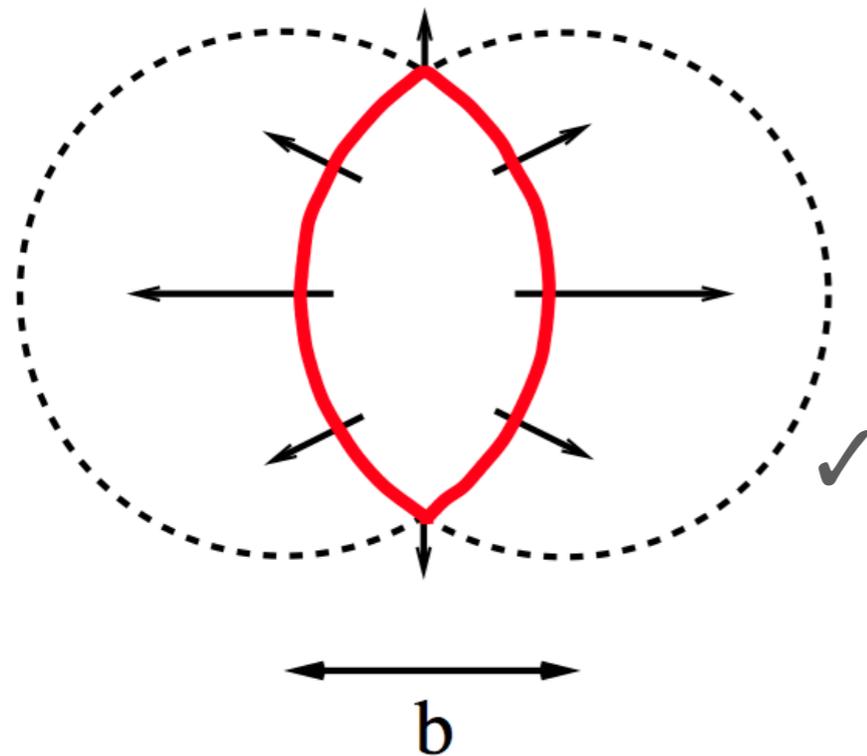
universal lower bound ?

$$\frac{\eta}{s} \geq \frac{\hbar}{4\pi k_B}$$



FLOW

out of collision plane



in collision plane

- ✓ pressure gradients larger in reaction plane
- ✓ larger fluid velocity along reaction plane, more particles fly in this direction

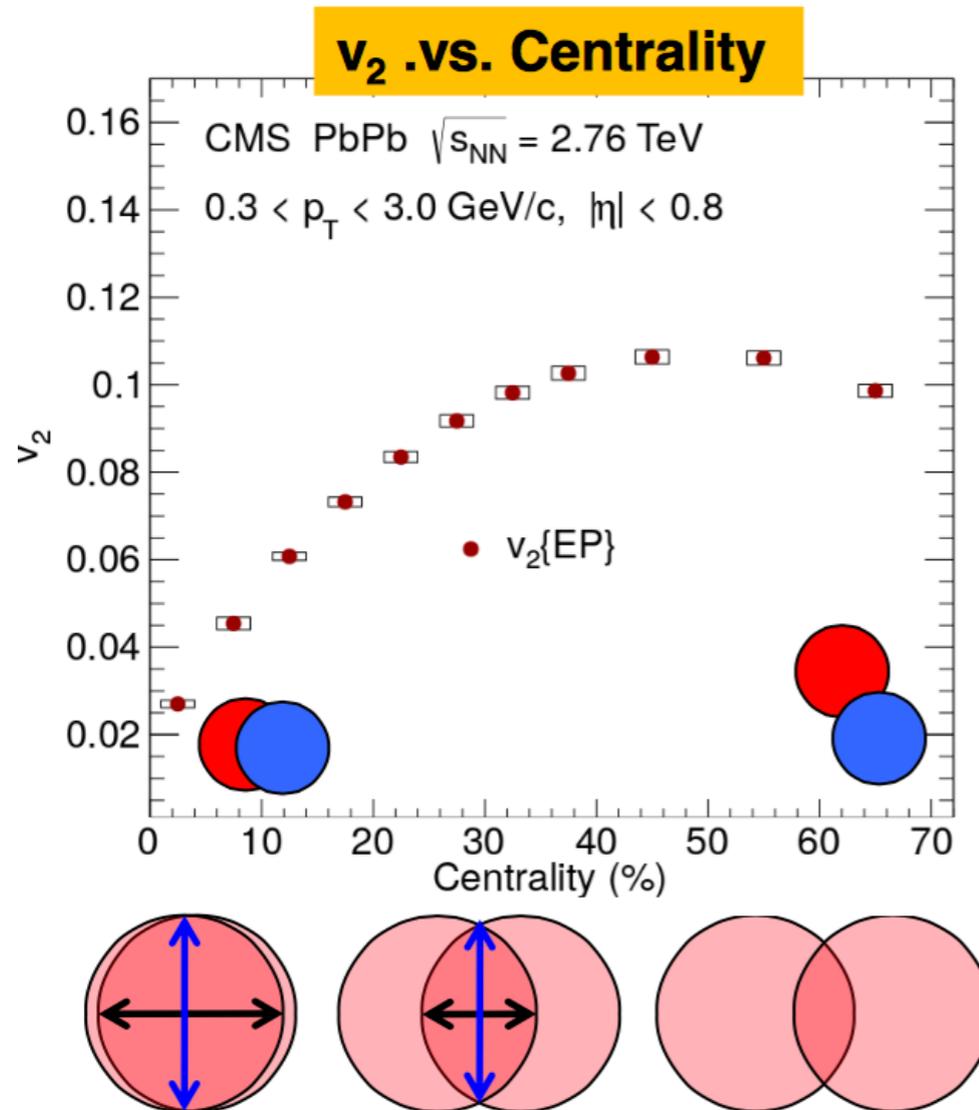
:: quantify effect by measuring particle distribution in azimuth

$$\frac{dN}{d\phi} = \frac{N}{2\pi} \left[1 + 2 \sum_m v_m \cos(m(\phi - \psi_R)) \right]$$

:: v_2 measures ellipticity of momentum distribution

:: odd-coefficients [v_3, \dots] vanish by $\phi \rightarrow \phi + \pi$ symmetry

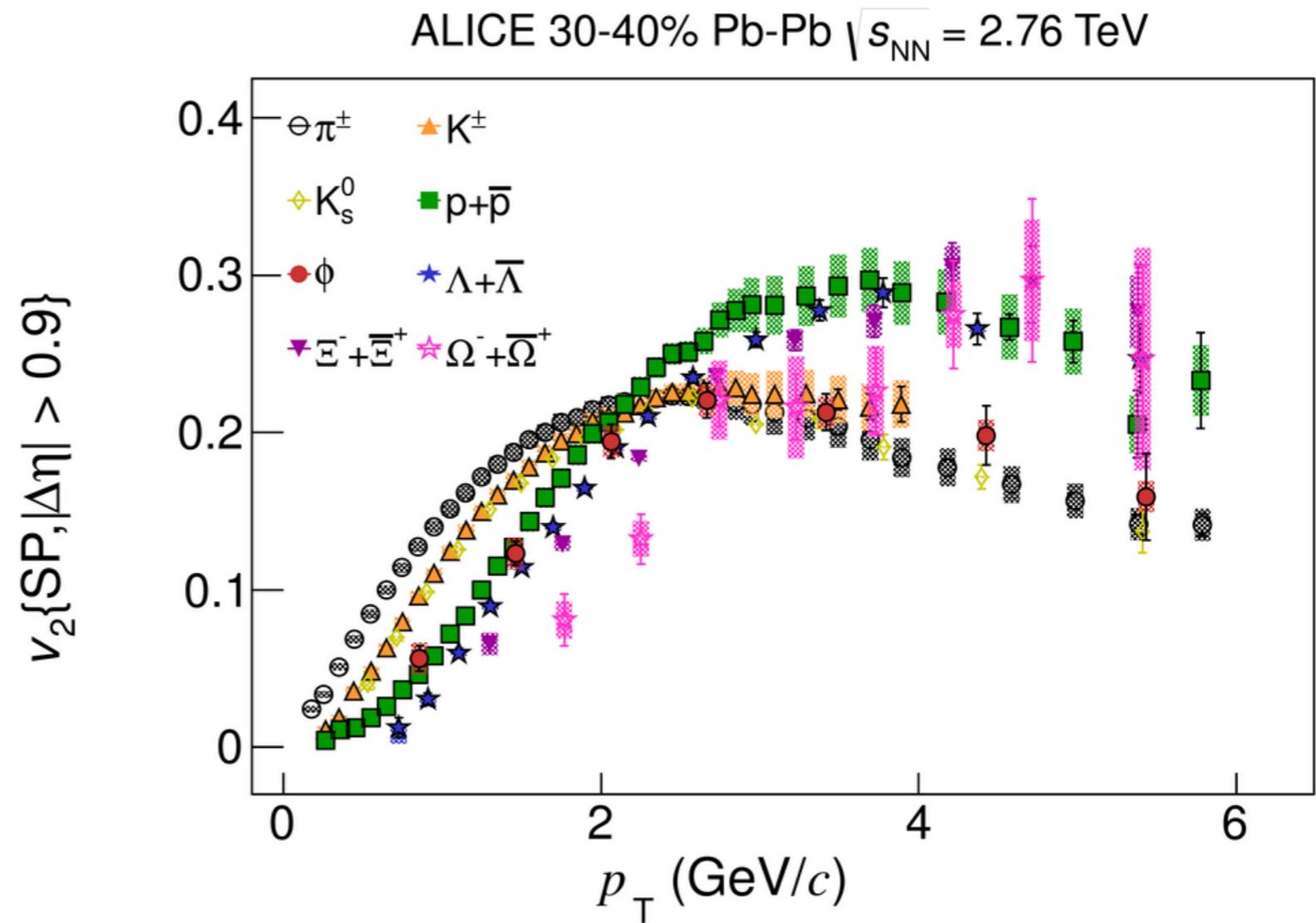
ELLIPTIC FLOW



- ✓ strong centrality dependence
- ✓ small for central [no-spatial asymmetry]
- ✓ maximum for mid-central
- ✓ smaller again for very peripheral [small QGP]

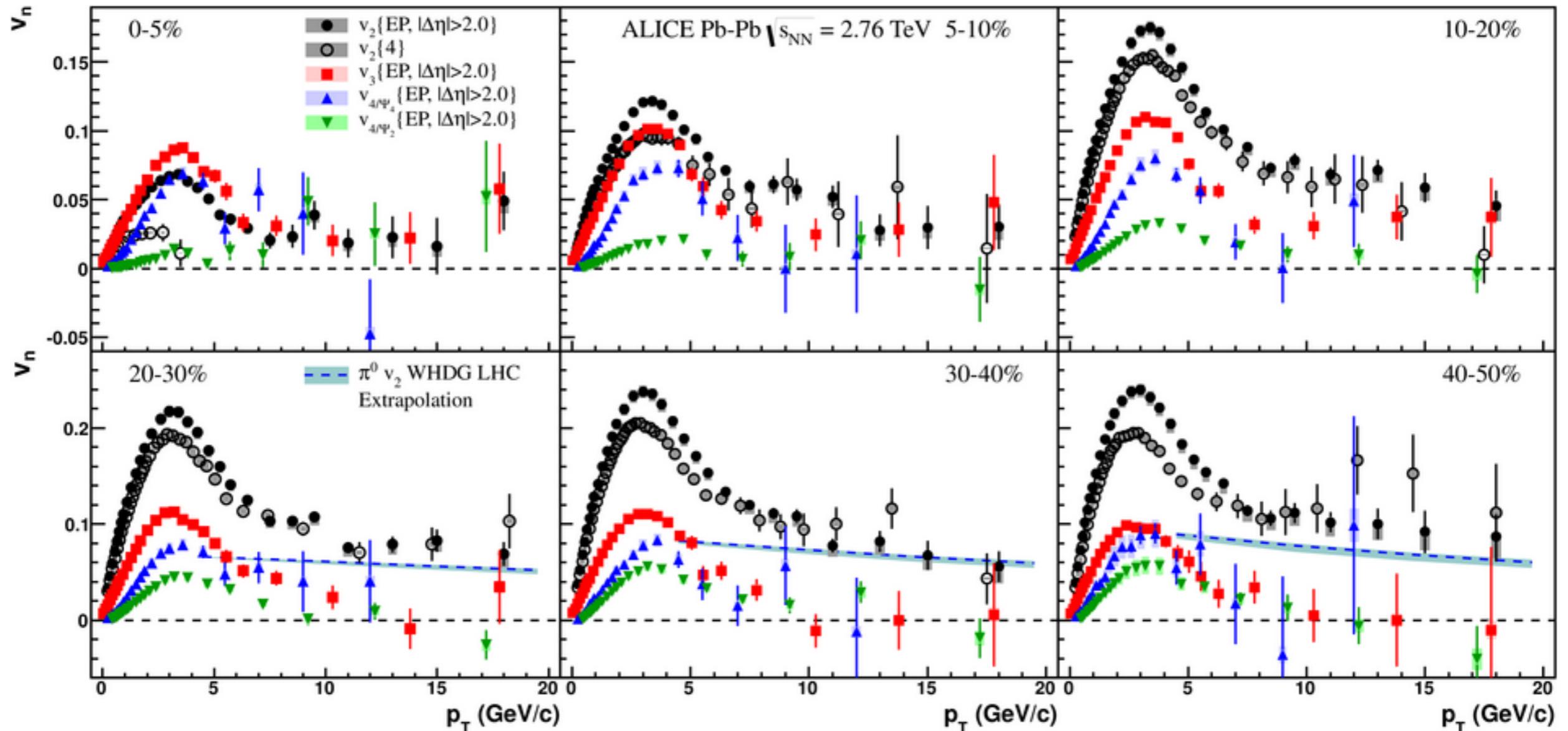
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ELLIPTIC FLOW [MASS DEPENDENCE]



✓ heavier particles flow less strongly

HIGHER HARMONICS

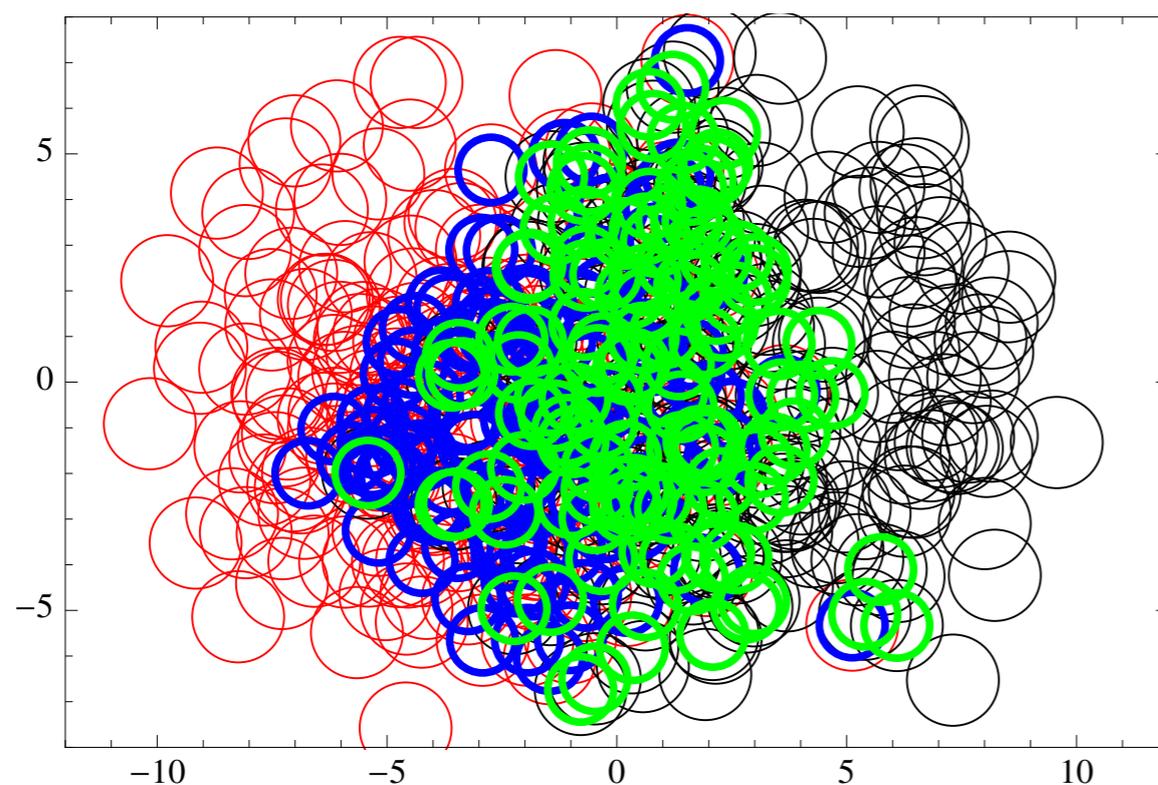


✓ all flow coefficients are non-zero

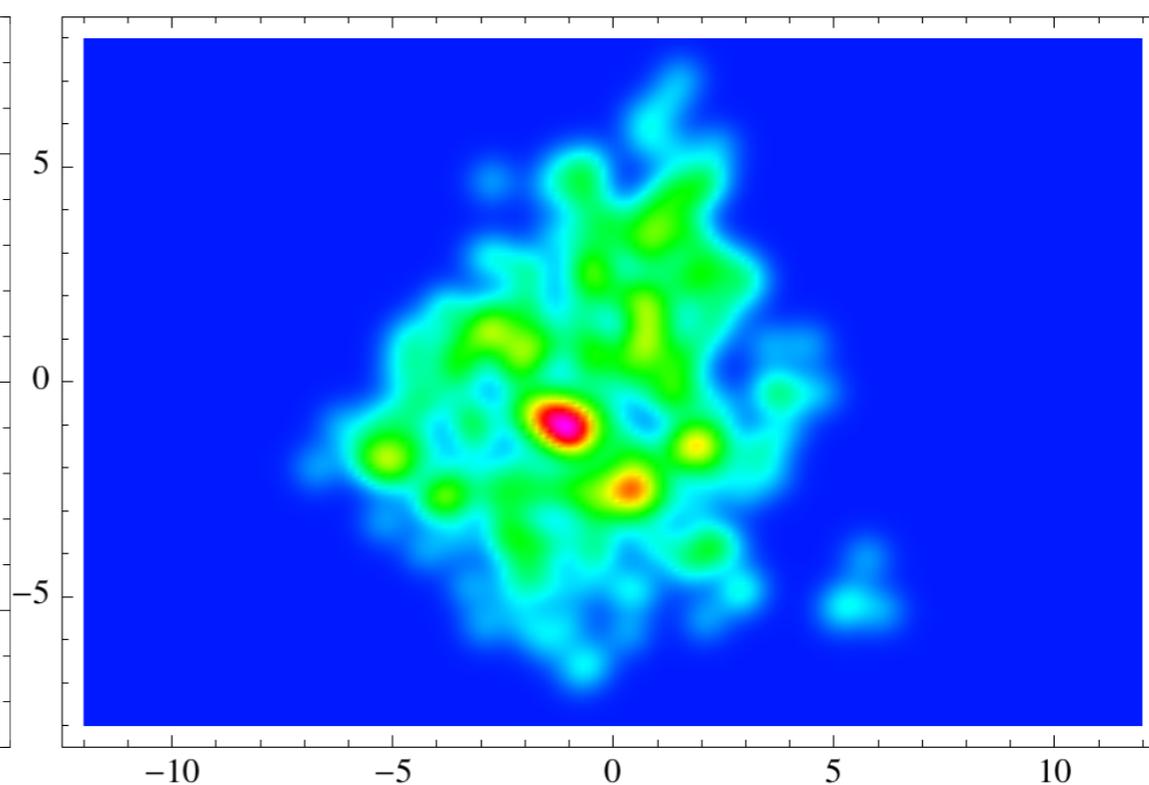
✓ odd ones should vanish by symmetry: what is going on?

EVENT-BY-EVENT FLUCTUATIONS

- ✓ symmetry argument for vanishing of odd harmonics applies only for event-averaged geometry
- ✓ importance of event-by-event fluctuations of initial configuration [MCGlauber, several other alternatives]

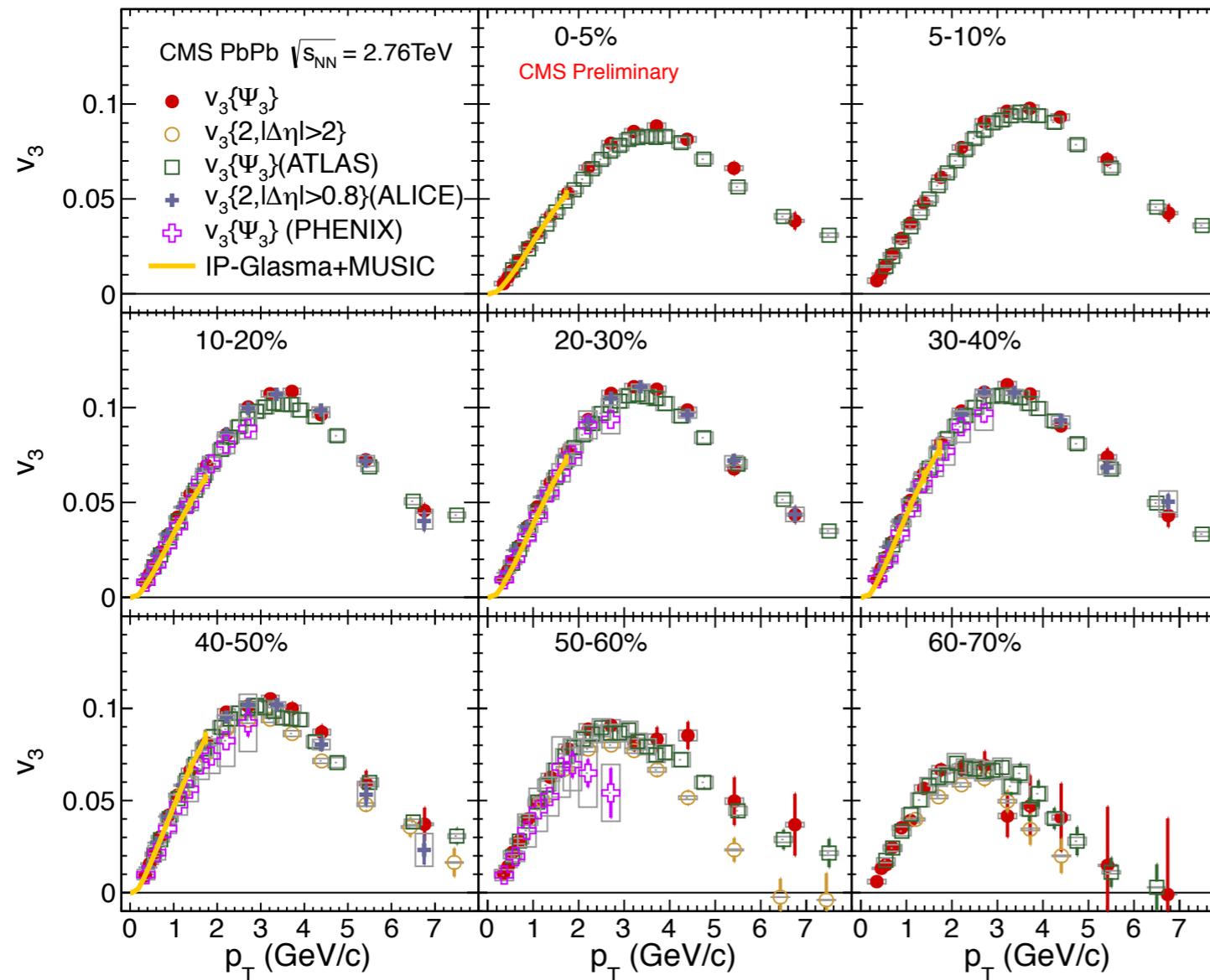


MCGlauber



IP-Glasma

EVENT-BY-EVENT FLUCTUATIONS



✓ fluctuation dominance leads to centrality independence

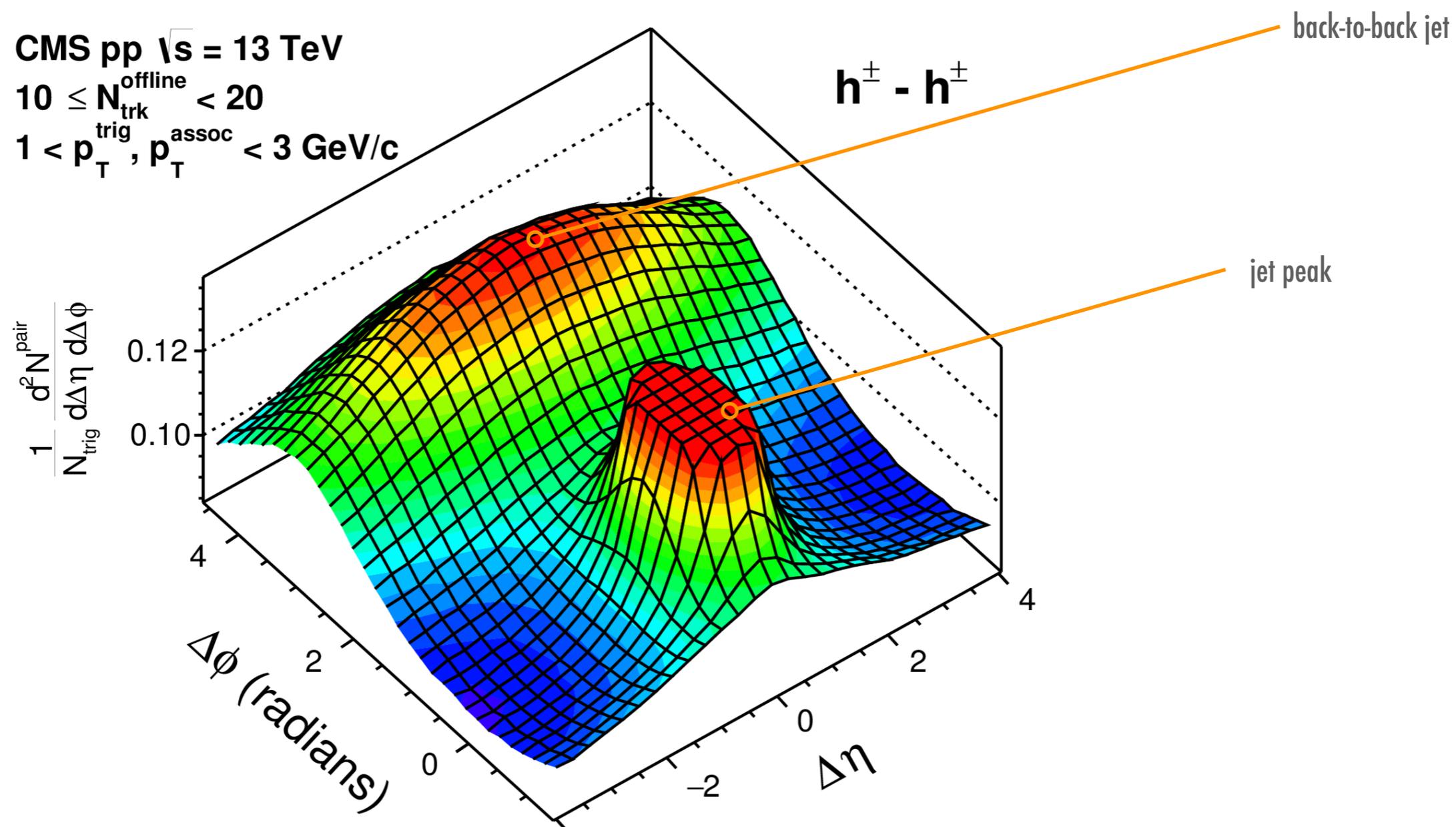
PARTICLE CORRELATIONS

- ✓ determination of reaction plane is not straightforward
[particularly so if low multiplicity]
- ✓ same flow information can be obtained from pair correlations

$$C(\phi_1, \phi_2) = \frac{\langle \frac{dN}{d\phi_1} \frac{dN}{d\phi_2} \rangle_{\text{events}}}{\langle \frac{dN}{d\phi_1} \rangle_{\text{events}} \langle \frac{dN}{d\phi_2} \rangle_{\text{events}}} = 1 + 2 \sum_m v_m^2 \cos(m(\phi_1 - \phi_2))$$

PARTICLE CORRELATIONS

:: pair correlations in [minimum bias] pp

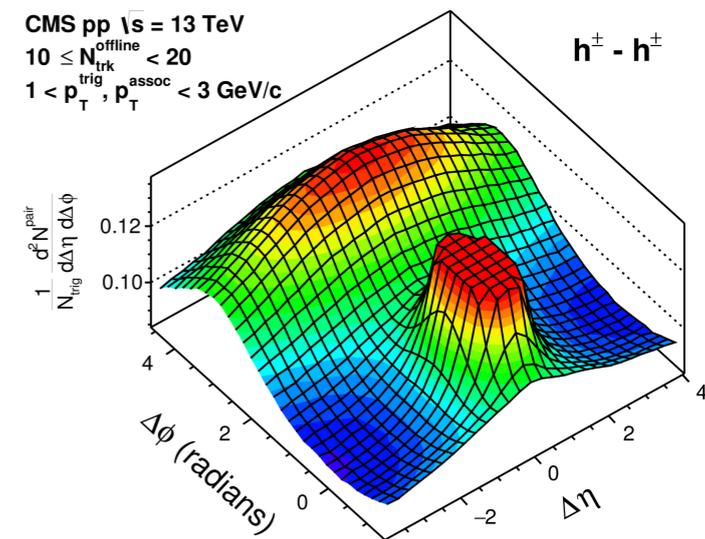
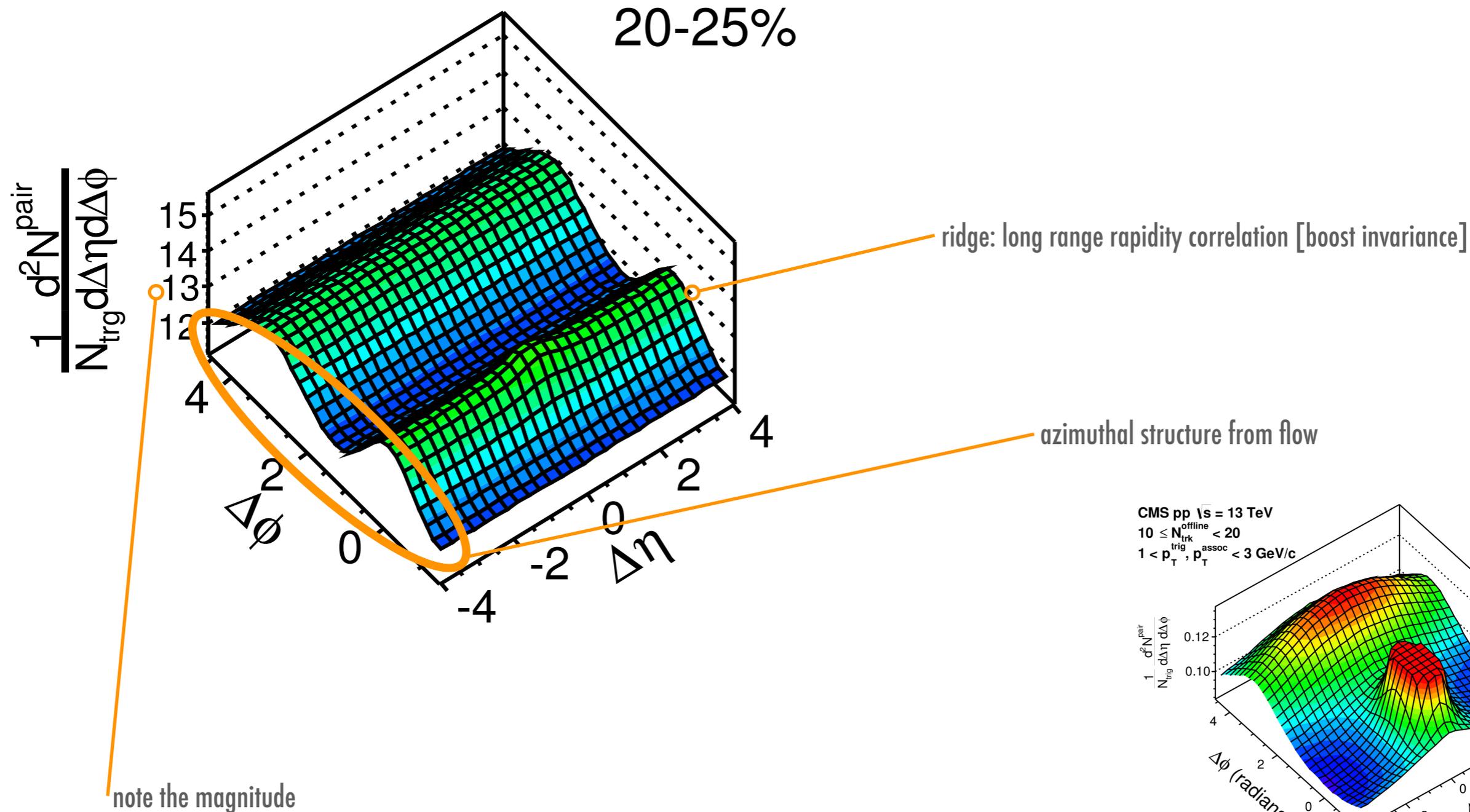


PARTICLE CORRELATIONS

:: pair correlations in PbPb

CMS $L_{\text{int}} = 3.9 \mu\text{b}^{-1}$ PbPb $\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 2.76 \text{ TeV}$ $3.0 < p_{\text{T}}^{\text{trig}} < 3.5 \text{ GeV}/c$ $1.0 < p_{\text{T}}^{\text{assoc}} < 1.5 \text{ GeV}/c$

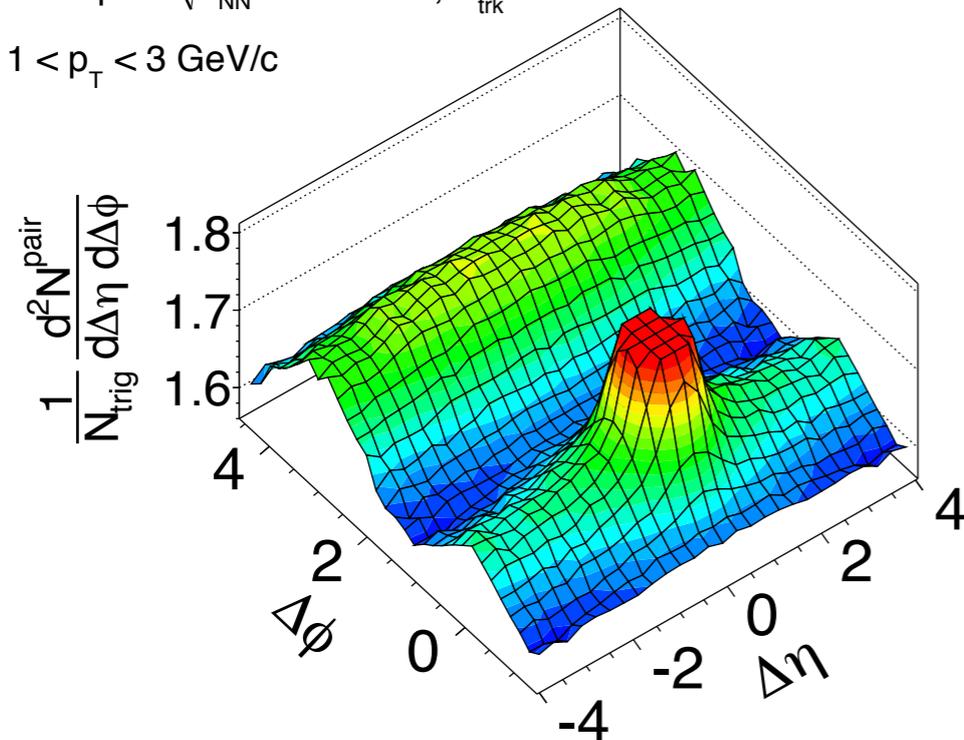
20-25%



COLLECTIVITY IN SMALL SYSTEMS

CMS pPb $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV, $N_{\text{trk}}^{\text{offline}} \geq 110$

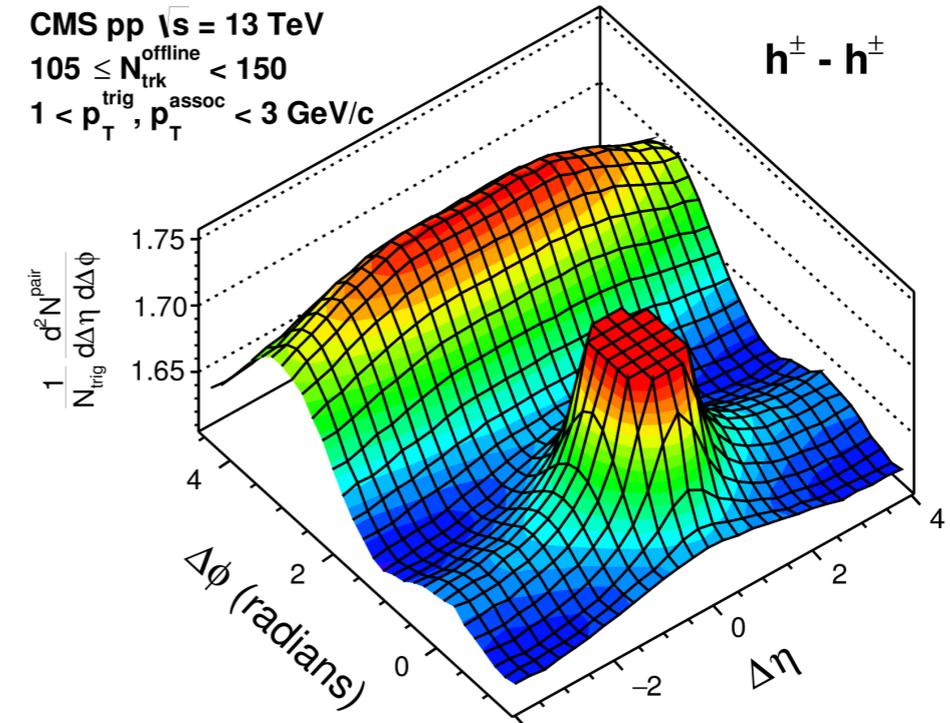
$1 < p_T < 3$ GeV/c



CMS pp $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV

$105 \leq N_{\text{trk}}^{\text{offline}} < 150$

$1 < p_T^{\text{trig}}, p_T^{\text{assoc}} < 3$ GeV/c



- ✓ flow pattern also present in proton-nucleus
 - ✓ tiny droplet of QGP ?
- ✓ flow pattern also present in [high-multiplicity] proton-proton
 - ✓ QGP ???
- ✓ alternative [initial state correlations] explanations exist
 - ✓ do they also work for nucleus-nucleus ? [very difficult to get required magnitude]