

# High- $p_T$ suppression and surface effects in nucleus-nucleus collisions (within the Parton Quenching Model)

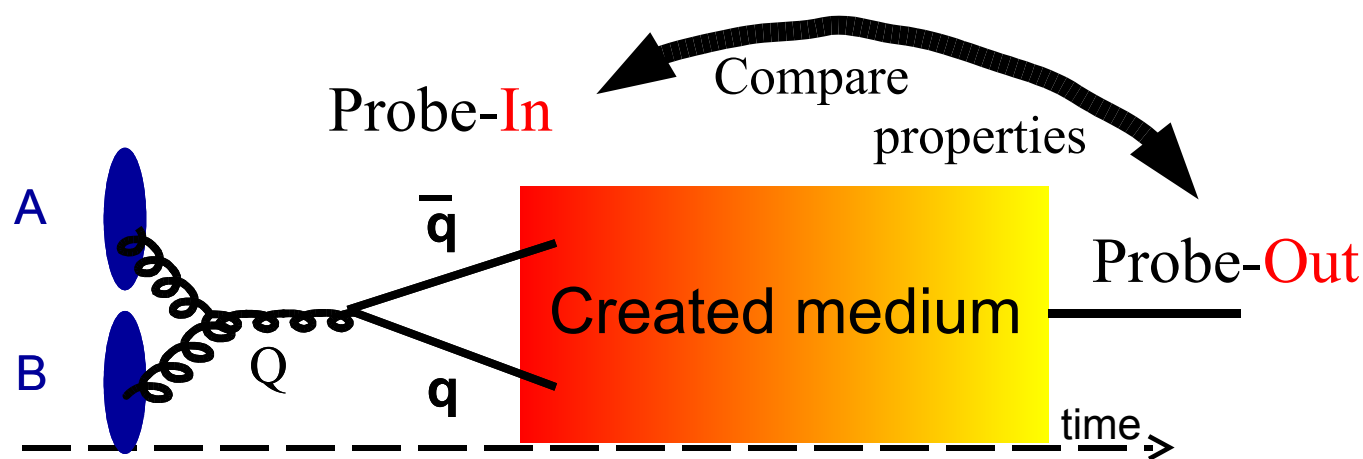
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# Outline

- High-pt suppression at RHIC
- Phenomenology of Parton Energy Loss
- Details of the Parton Quenching Model
  - BDMPS-Z-SW quenching weights
  - Glauber geometry
  - Parton-by-parton approach
- Confrontation with RHIC data
  - Analysis of trigger biases
- Opacity problem

# Hard probes in nucleus-nucleus collisions



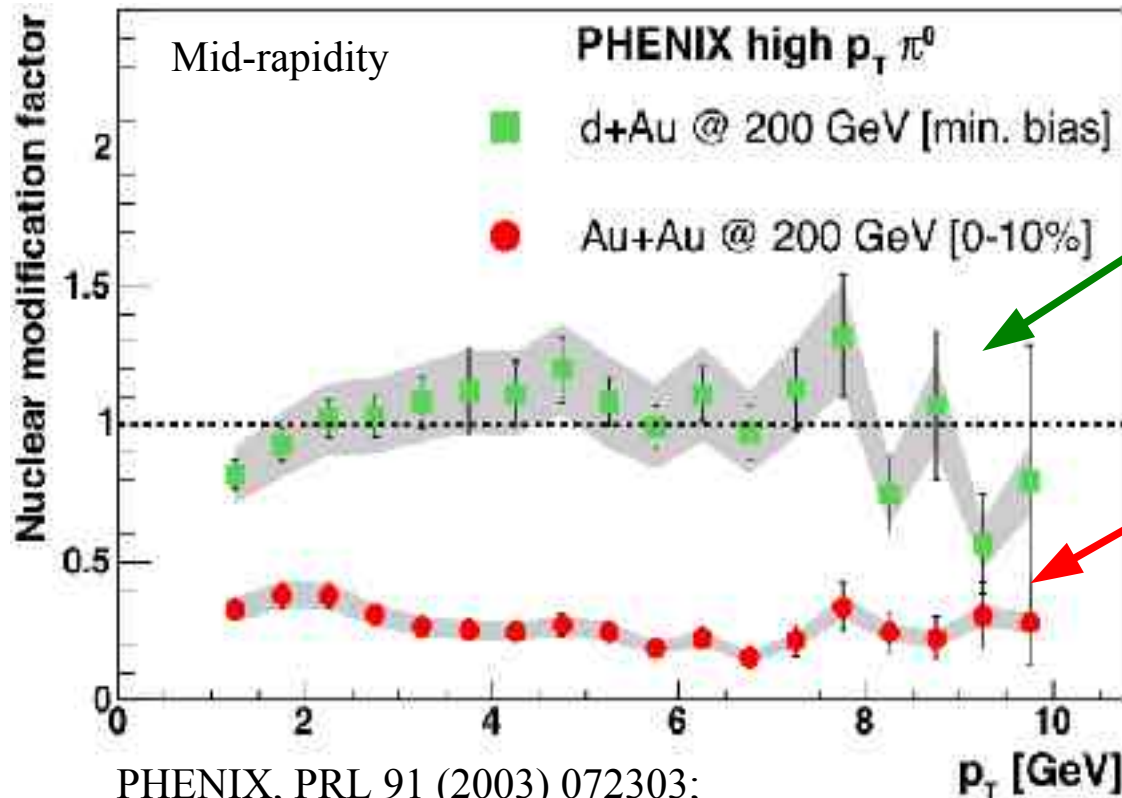
- Large virtuality  $Q$  leads to **small** “formation time”  $\Delta t \sim 1/Q$  and **small**  $\alpha_s$
- Initial yields and  $p_T$  distributions in  $A+B$  are **predicted** by **pp measurements** + **pQCD** + collision geometry (**Glauber**) + additional “known” nuclear (initial state) effects (e.g. nPDFs)
- Observed **deviations** are attributed to the **medium**

# Leading-particle suppression at RHIC

Comparison of  $p_T$  distributions at high  $p_T$  measured in pp, dAu and AA (for different centralities)

Quantification via the Nuclear Modification Factor

$$R_{AB}(p_T, \eta) = \frac{1}{N_{\text{coll}}} \times \frac{dN_{AB}/dp_T}{dN_{pp}/dp_T}(p_T, \eta)$$



Control measurement in d+Au **no suppression** ( $R_{dA} \approx 1$ )

Central Au+Au collision up to **factor 5 suppressed** ( $R_{AuAu} = 0.2$ )

PHENIX, PRL 91 (2003) 072303;  
STAR, PRL 91 (2003) 072304;  
many more (see eg. RHIC white papers).

**Final-state effect**

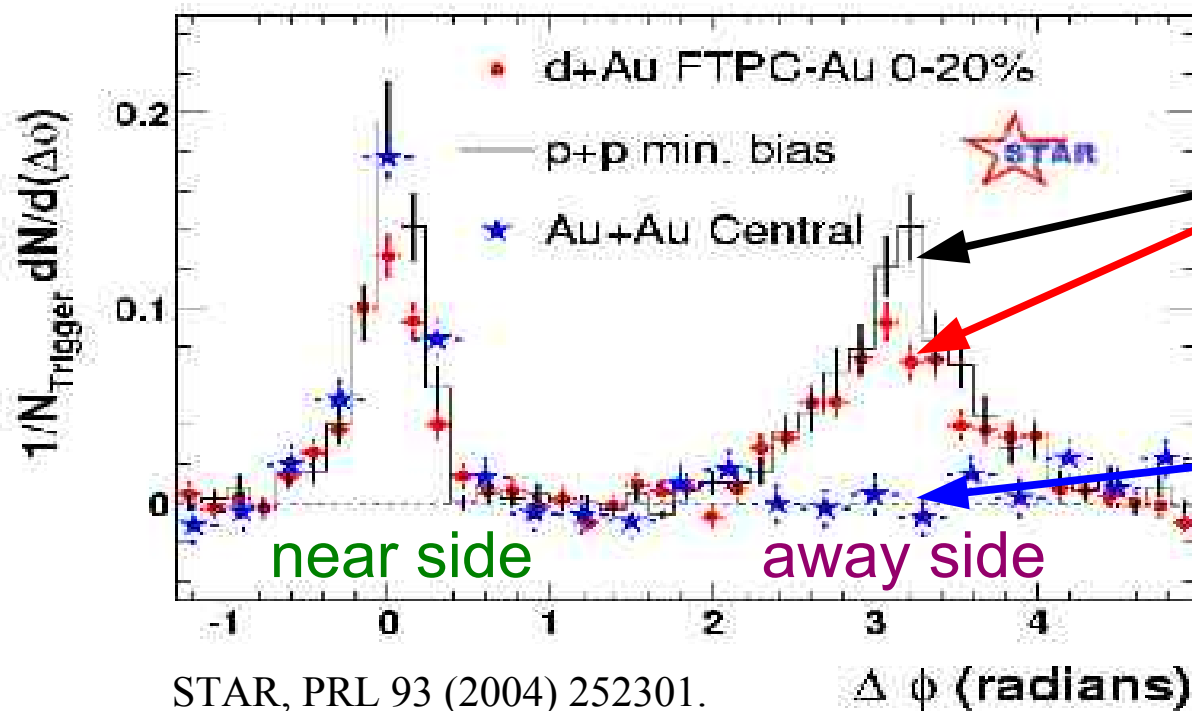
# Suppression of away-side correlations at RHIC

Comparison of azimuthal distributions rel. to high  $p_T$  trigger particle measured in pp, dAu and AA (for different centralities)

- Trigger: highest  $p_T$  track with  $p_T > 4$  GeV
- Associated particles:  $2 \text{ GeV} < p_T < p_{T, \text{trigger}}$

Away-side suppression quantified via

$$I_{AB}^{\text{away}} = \frac{\int_{\text{away}} dN_{AB}}{\int_{\text{away}} dN_{pp}}$$

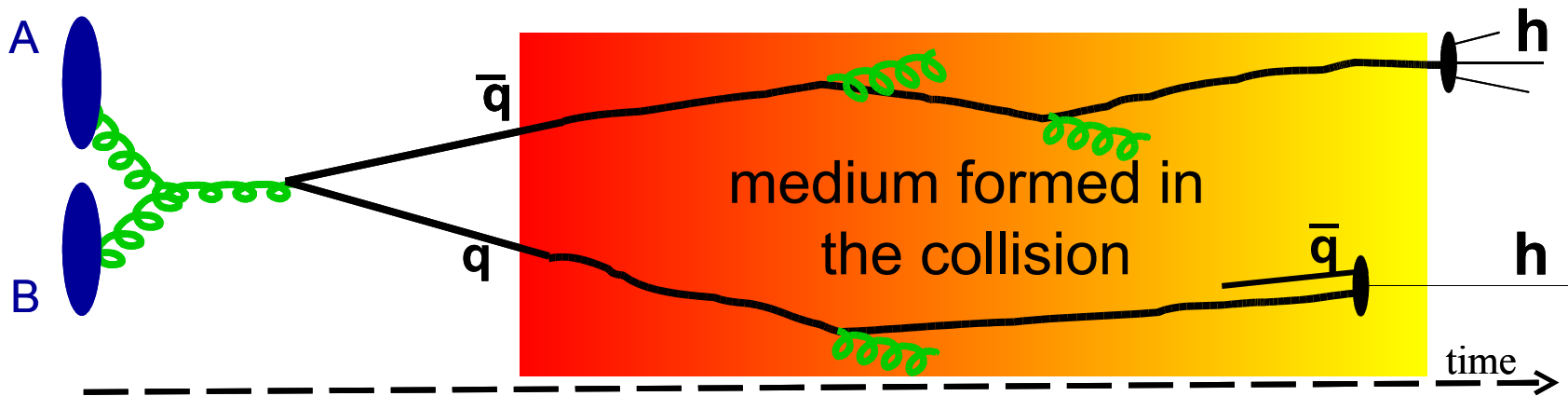


Measurement in pp and d+Au **not suppressed** ( $I_{AA} \approx 1$ )

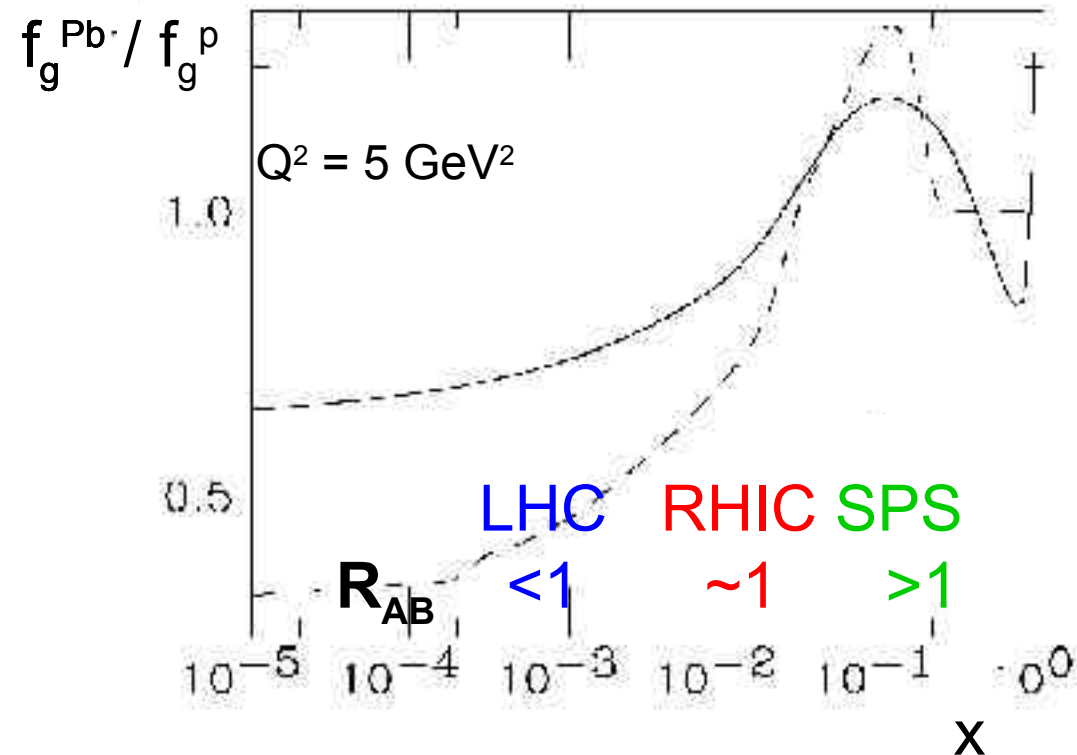
Central Au+Au collision **strongly suppressed** ( $I_{AA} \approx 0.1$ )

**Final-state effect**

# High- $p_T$ particle production in A+B collisions



- Proton-Proton baseline (pQCD)
- Initial-state effects
  - Nuclear PDF (anti-/shadowing)
  - $K_T$  broadening (Cronin)
- Final-state effects
  - Energy loss
  - In-medium hadronization (coalescence)

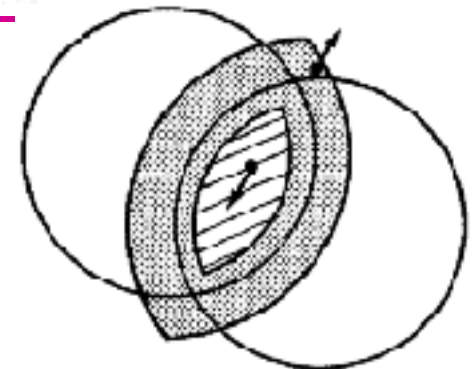


# Parton energy loss

- Partons travel a few ( $\sim 4$ ) fm in the high **color**-density medium
- Bjorken ('82): **energy loss** due to elastic (collisional) scattering

High energy quarks and gluons propagating through quark-gluon plasma suffer differential energy loss via elastic scattering from quanta in the plasma.

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An interesting signature may be events in which the hard collision occurs near the edge of the overlap region, with one jet escaping without absorption and the other fully absorbed.



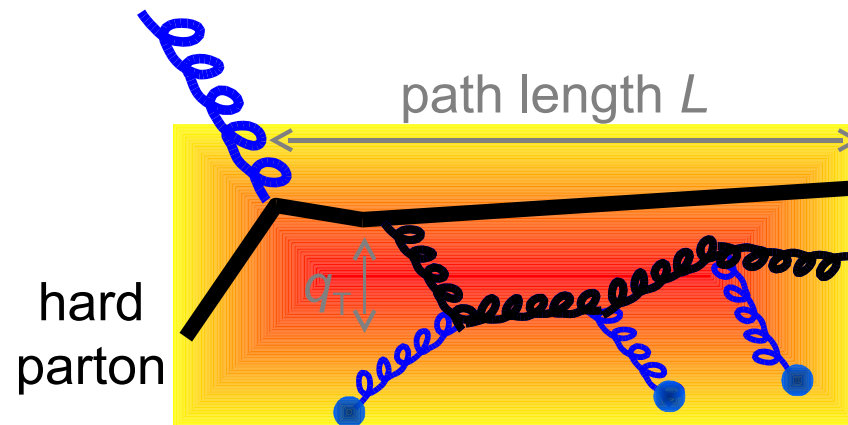
Bjorken, FERMILAB-Pub-82/59-THY (1982).

# Parton energy loss inspired by pQCD

- Successive calculations ('92++) revealed that **medium-induced gluon radiation** (QCD bremsstrahlung) dominates:

$$\omega \frac{dI}{d\omega dk} = \alpha_S C_R / \omega^2 F(\eta(\xi)\sigma(r)) \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \hat{q}(\xi)r & \text{(multiple soft)} \\ n(\xi)\sigma(r) & \text{(single hard)} \end{cases}$$

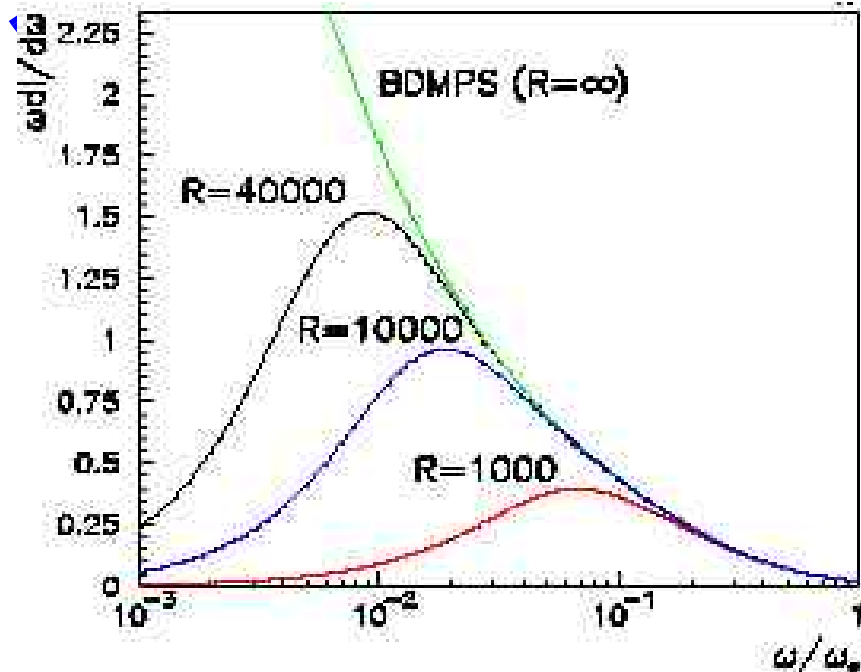
Coherent wave-function gluon accumulates  $k_T$  due to **multiple inelastic scatterings** in the medium until decoheres and is radiated off the original hard parton



Bjorken, Gyulassy, Plümer, Thoma, Wang, Wang, Baier, Dokshitzer, Müller, Peigne', Schiff, Levai, Vitev, Zhakarov, Salgado, Wiedemann, ...



# Parton energy loss in pQCD (BDMPS-Z)



## BDMPS-Z formalism

STATIC  
MEDIUM

$$\hat{q} = \frac{\langle q_T^2 \rangle}{\lambda} \quad \text{transport coefficient}$$

Radiated-gluon energy distrib.:

$$\omega \frac{dI}{d\omega} \propto \alpha_S C_R \begin{cases} \sqrt{\omega_c / \omega} & \text{for } \omega < \omega_c \\ (\omega_c / \omega)^2 & \text{for } \omega \geq \omega_c \end{cases}$$

$C_R$

Casimir coupling factor: 4/3 for q, 3 for g

$$\omega_c = \hat{q} L^2 / 2$$

determines the scale of the radiated energy

$$R = \omega_c L$$

related to constraint  $k_T < \omega$  and  
controls shape at  $\omega \ll \omega_c$

Baier, Dokshitzer, Müller, Peigne, Schiff, NPB 483 (1997) 291.

Zakharov, JTEPL 63 (1996) 952.

Salgado, Wiedemann, PRD 68(2003) 014008.

# Calculating the energy loss

$$\langle \Delta E \rangle \approx \int_0^{\omega_c} d\omega \omega \frac{dI}{d\omega} \propto \alpha_S C_R \omega_C \propto \alpha_S C_R \hat{q} L^2$$

$$\langle \Delta E \rangle \propto \hat{q} \propto \rho \int dq_T^2 q_T^2 d\sigma/dq_T^2$$

(gluons volume-density and interaction cross section)



**Probe the medium**

## Finite parton energy (qualitatively)

- If  $E < \omega_c$  (e.g. small  $p_T$  with traversing large  $L$ ) :

$$\langle \Delta E \rangle \approx \int_0^E d\omega \omega \frac{dI}{d\omega} \propto \alpha_S C_R \sqrt{E} \omega \propto \alpha_S C_R \sqrt{E} \sqrt{\hat{q}} L$$

- Introduces dependence on parton energy
- Reduces sensitivity to density
- Leads to linear dependence on path length

# Expanding medium

- Time-dep. density of scattering centers

$$\hat{q}(\tau) = \hat{q}_0 \times \left(\frac{\tau}{\tau_0}\right)^\alpha$$

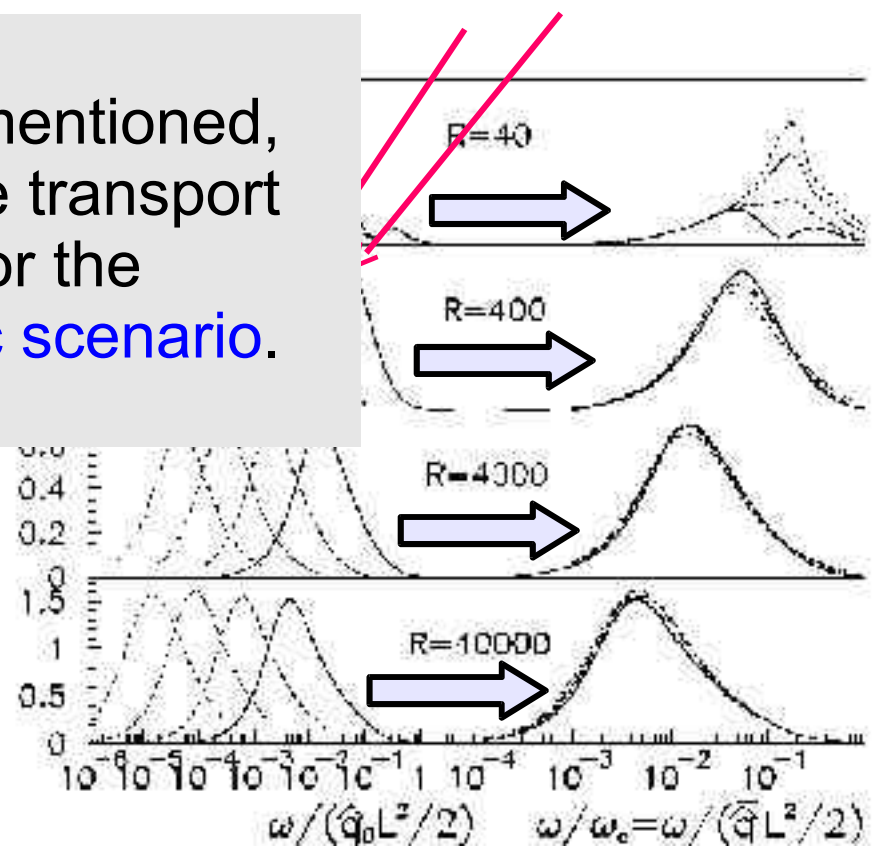
- Dynamical scattering spectrum is the same for an equivalent static scenario with the same transport coefficient

$$\bar{q} = \frac{2}{L^2} \int_{\tau_0}^{L+\tau_0} d\tau (\tau - \tau_0) \hat{q}(\tau)$$

If not explicitly mentioned, all values for the transport coefficient are for the equivalent static scenario.

EQUIVALENT  
STATIC  
SCENARIO

$\alpha = 1.5, 1.0, 0.5, 0$



➔ **Calculations for a static scenario apply for also for expanding systems**

Salgado, Wiedemann, PRL 89 (2002) 092303.

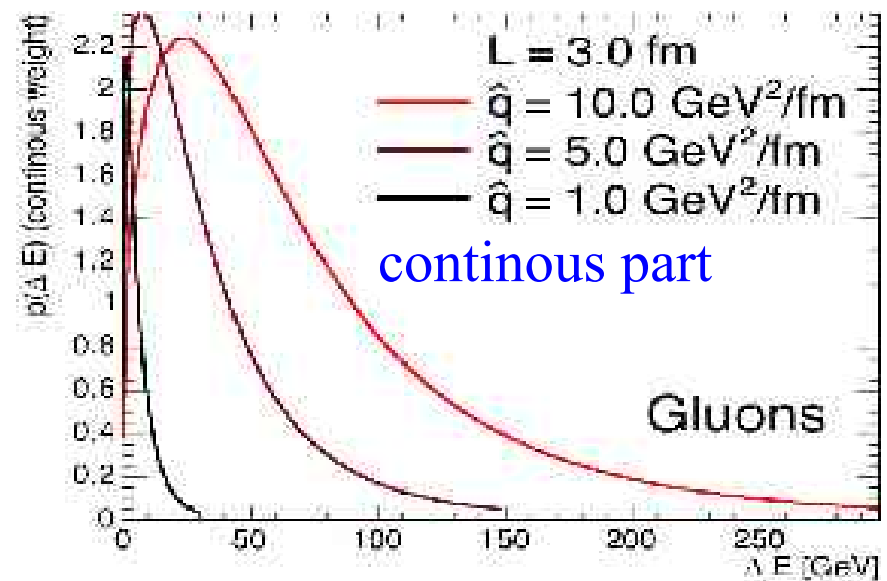
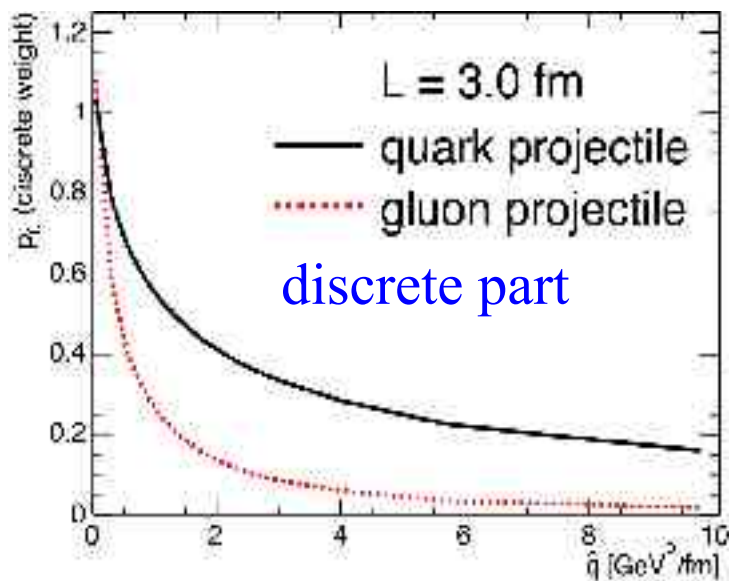
# Quenching weights

- Compute energy loss probability distributions

$$P(\Delta E) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[ \prod_{i=1}^n \int d\omega_i \frac{dI(\omega_i)}{d\omega} \right] \delta \left( \Delta E - \sum_{i=0}^n \omega_i \right) \exp \left[ - \int d\omega \frac{dI}{d\omega} \right]$$

- Calculated from  $\omega \frac{dI}{d\omega}$  in the  $E \rightarrow \infty$  approximation (no E dep.)

$$P(\Delta E; C_R, \hat{q}, L) = p_0(C_R, \hat{q}, L) + p(\Delta E; C_R, \hat{q}, L) \quad [\alpha_S = 1/3]$$



BDMS, JHEP 0109 (2001) 033  
Salgado, Wiedemann, PRD 68 (2003) 014008

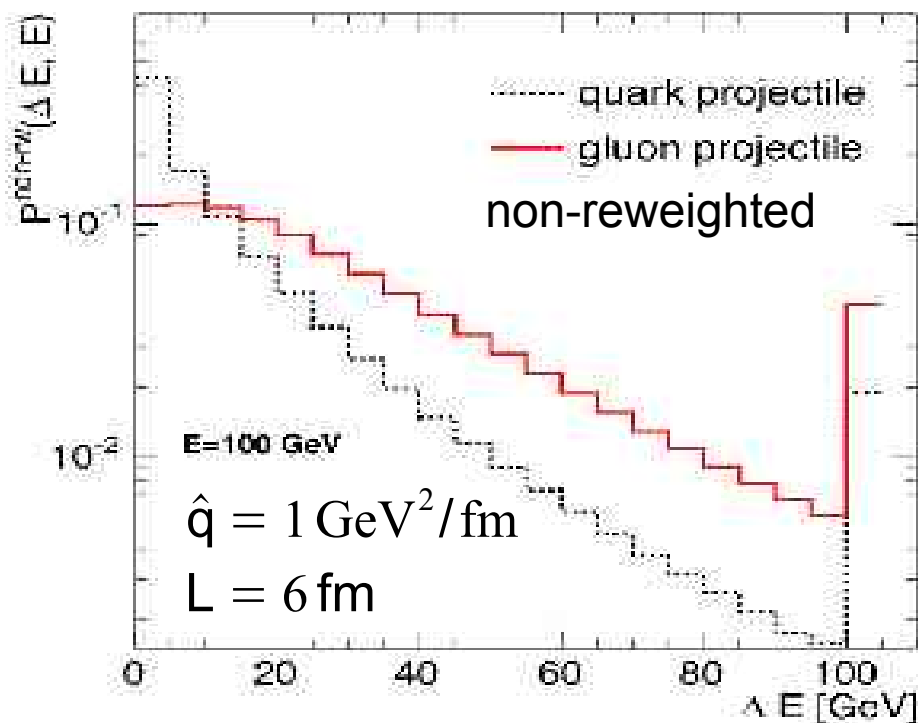
**➔ Constrained weights**

# Constrained quenching weights

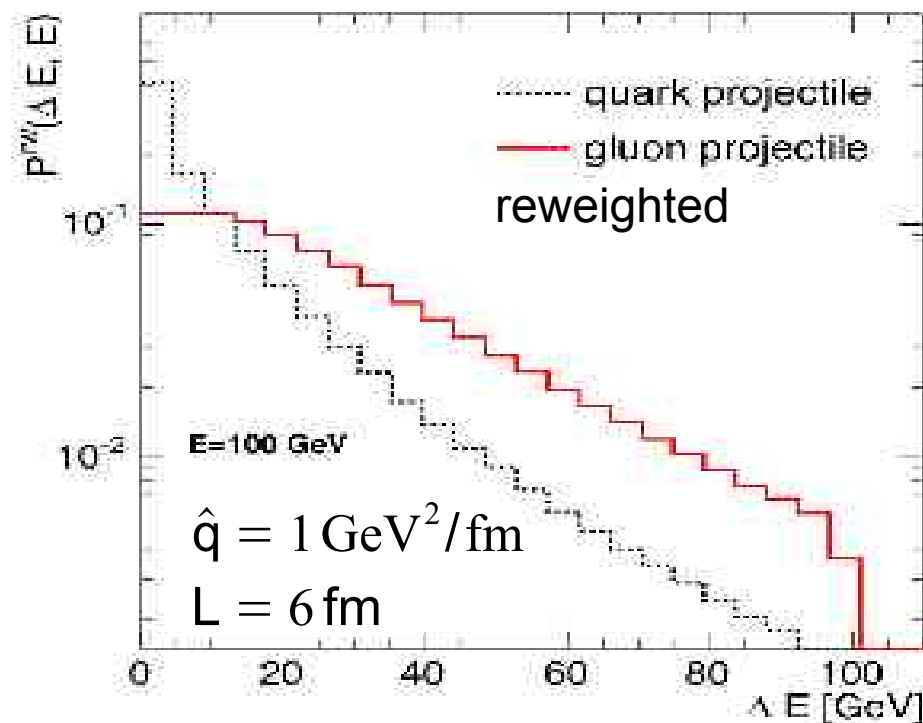
Construct constrained weights from quenching weights

$$P(\Delta E; C_R, \hat{q}, L, E) \text{ with } \Delta E \leq E$$

a) **non-reweighted** weight  
(thermalize for  $\Delta E > E$ )



b) **reweighted** weight  
(truncate + renormalize at  $\Delta E = E$ )



# Calculating unquenched particle spectra

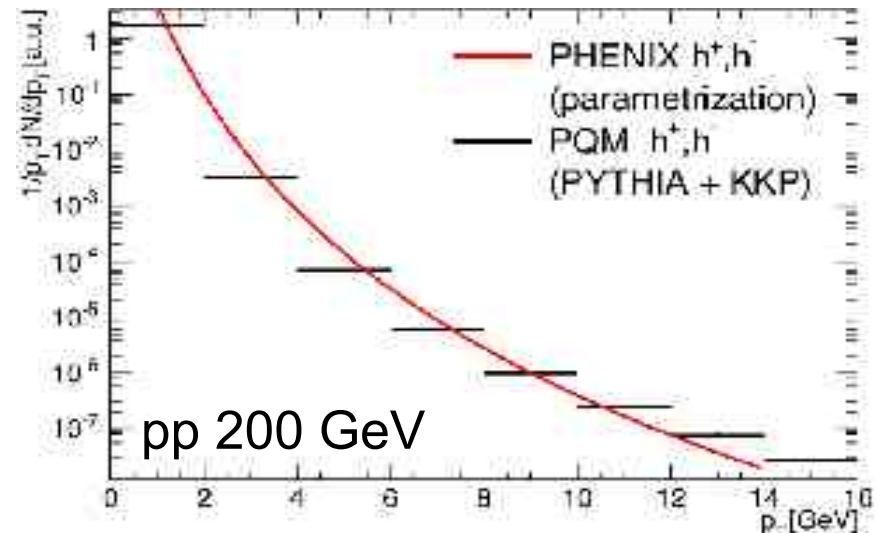
Standard pQCD + collinear factorization + vacuum fragmentation

$$\left. \frac{d^2 \sigma^h}{dp_T dy} \right|_{y \approx 0} = \sum_{a,b,j} \int dF_{ab} dz_j \left. \frac{d^2 \sigma^{ab \rightarrow jX}}{dp_{T,j} dy} \right|_{y \approx 0} \times \frac{D_{h/j}(z_j)}{z_j^2}$$

Monte Carlo approach:

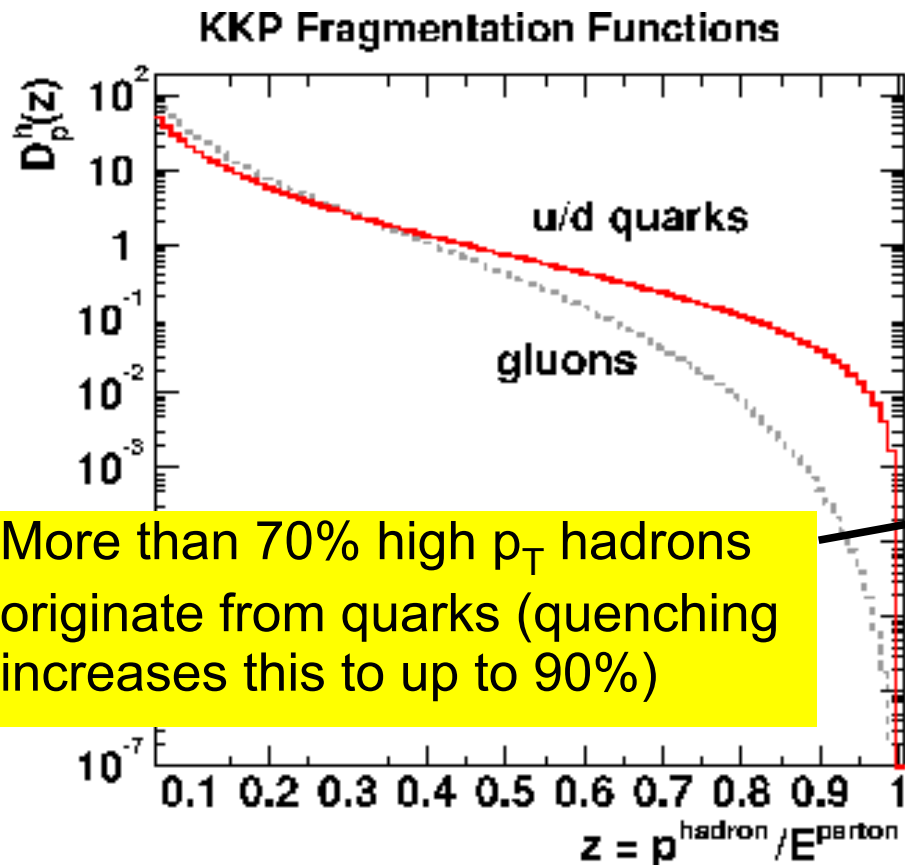
Verify shape with PHENIX parametrization for pp

$$\frac{1}{p_T} \frac{d^2 N}{dp_T} = C \left( 1 + \frac{p_0}{p_T} \right)^n + r(p_T)$$

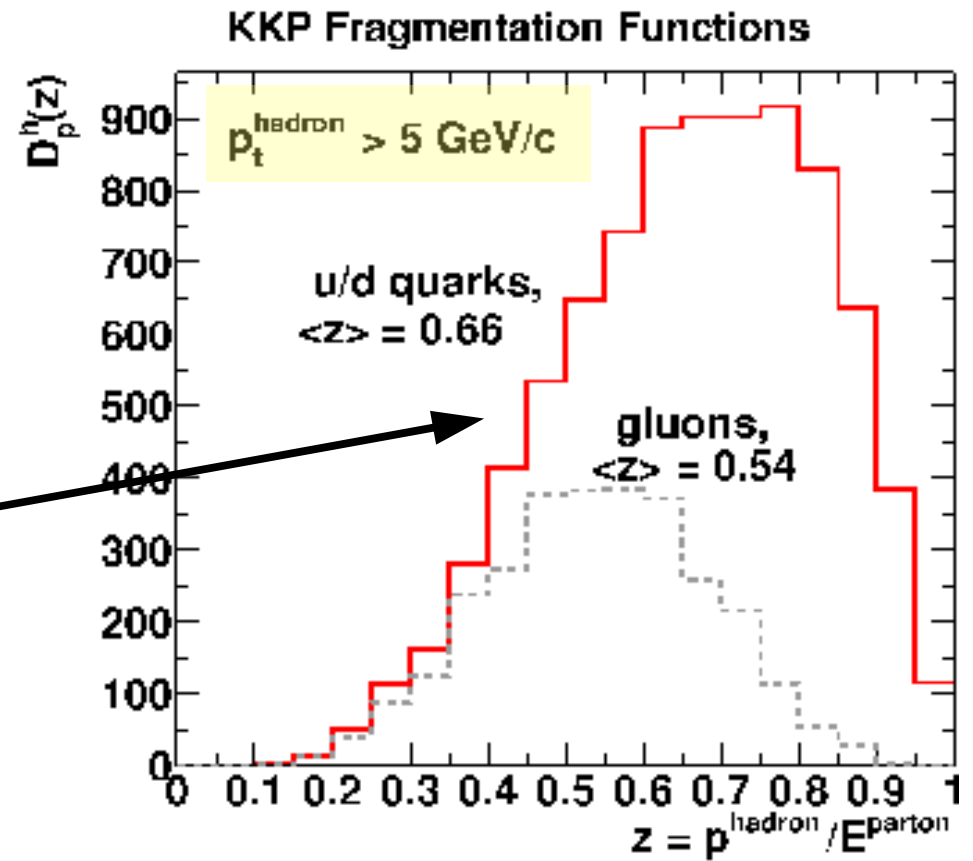


# PYTHIA + KKP fragmentation

PYTHIA  $p_T$  parton distributions + relative ratio of quarks-to-gluons at 200 GeV cms energy using CTEQ 4L + KKP at LO



More than 70% high  $p_T$  hadrons originate from quarks (quenching increases this to up to 90%)



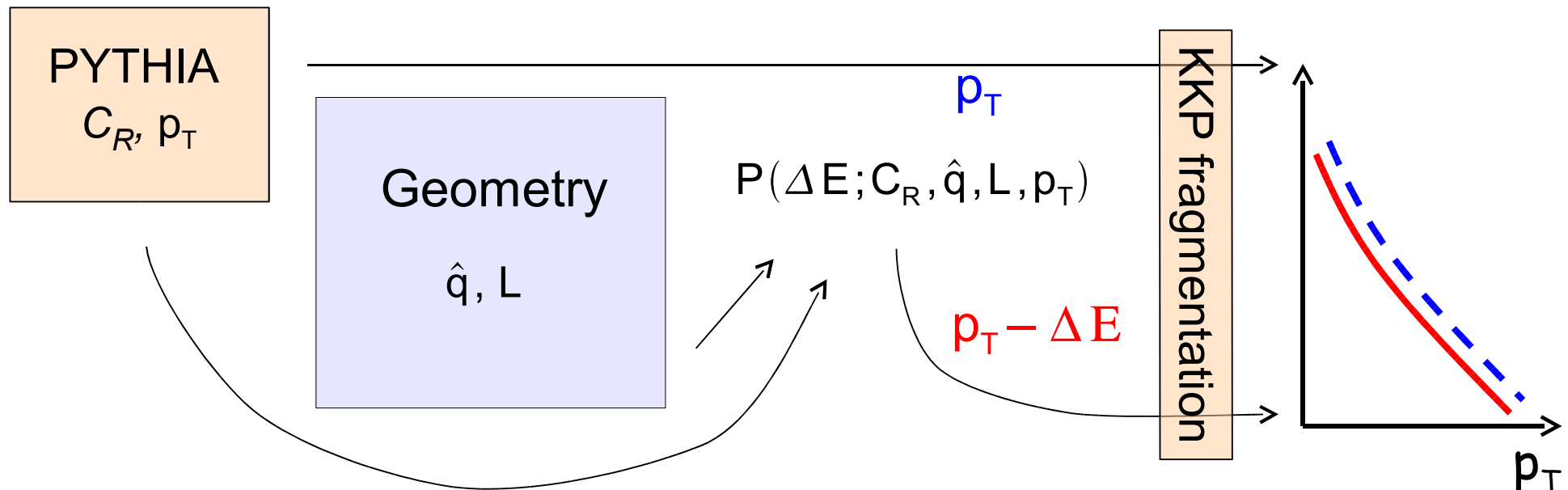
# Calculating quenched particle spectra

Factorized pQCD + final state quenching + vacuum fragmentation

$$\left. \frac{d^2 \sigma_{\text{quenched}}^h}{dp_T dy} \right|_{y \approx 0} = \sum_{a,b,j} \int dF_{ab} d\Delta E_j dz_j \left. \frac{d^2 \sigma^{ab \rightarrow jX}}{dp_{T,j}^{\text{init}} dy} \right|_{y \approx 0} \times$$

$$\delta(p_{T,j}^{\text{init}} - p_{T,j} - \Delta E_j) P(\Delta E_j; C_j, \hat{q}_j, L_j, p_{T,j}) \frac{D_{h/j}(z_j)}{z_j^2}$$

Monte Carlo approach:





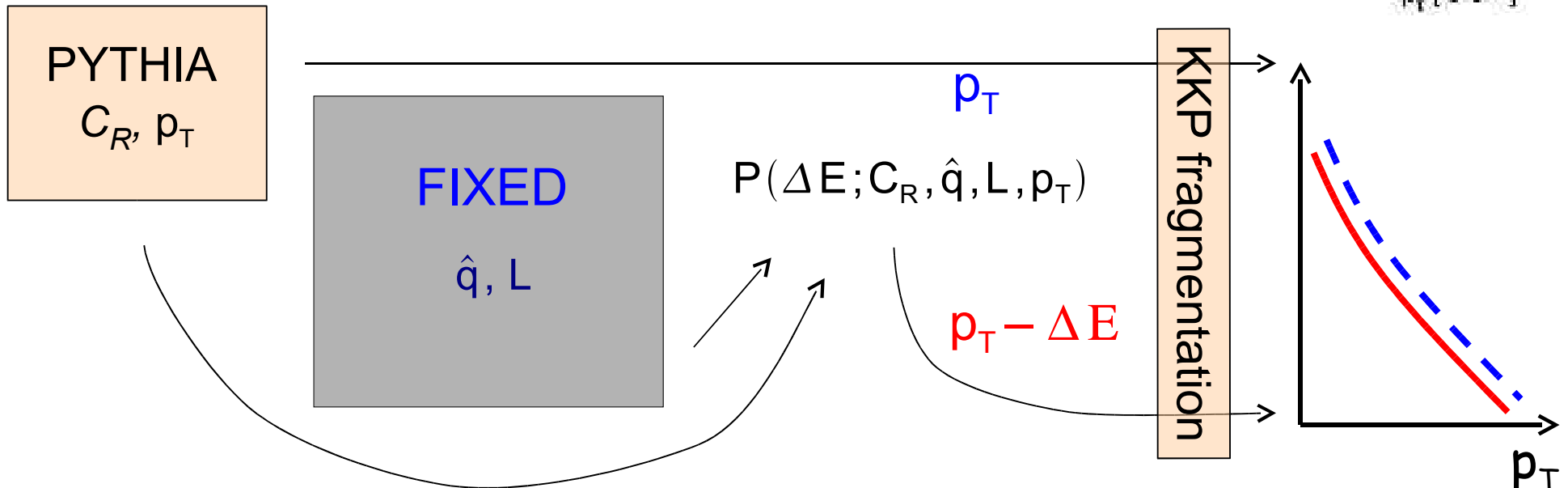
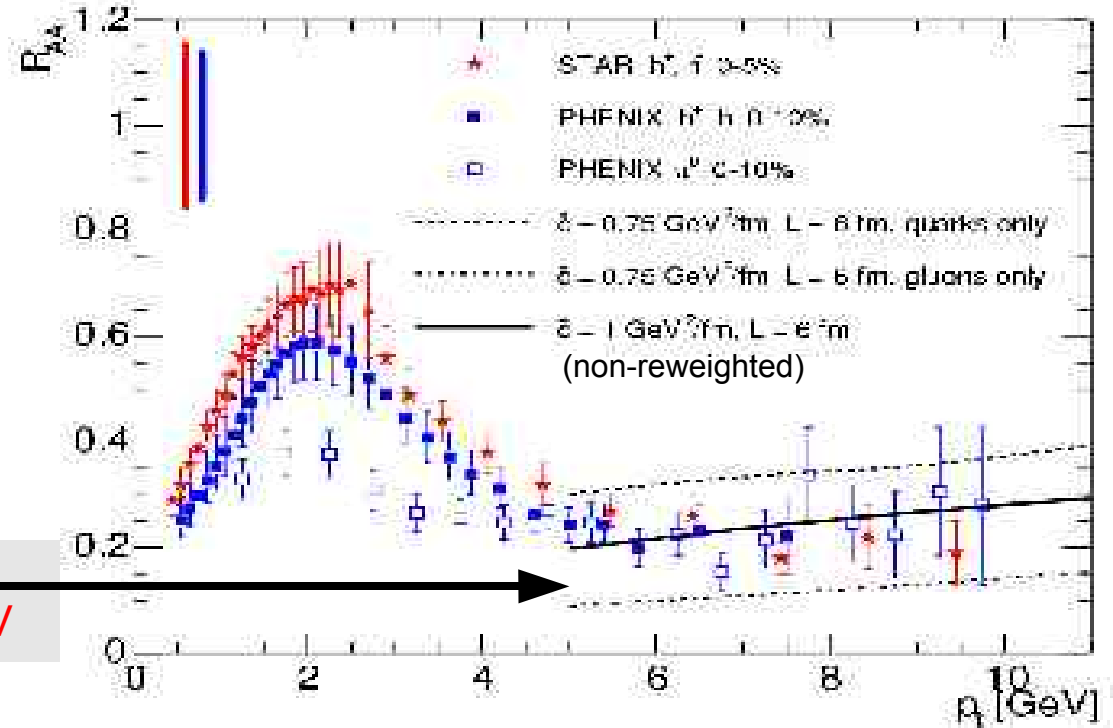
# $R_{AA}$ in central Au+Au at 200 GeV

Need

$$\hat{q} = 1 \text{ GeV}^2/\text{fm}$$

to describe the measured suppression in 0-10% Au+Au for fixed length of 6 fm

No initial-state effects and in-medium hadronization:  $p_T > 5 \text{ GeV}$

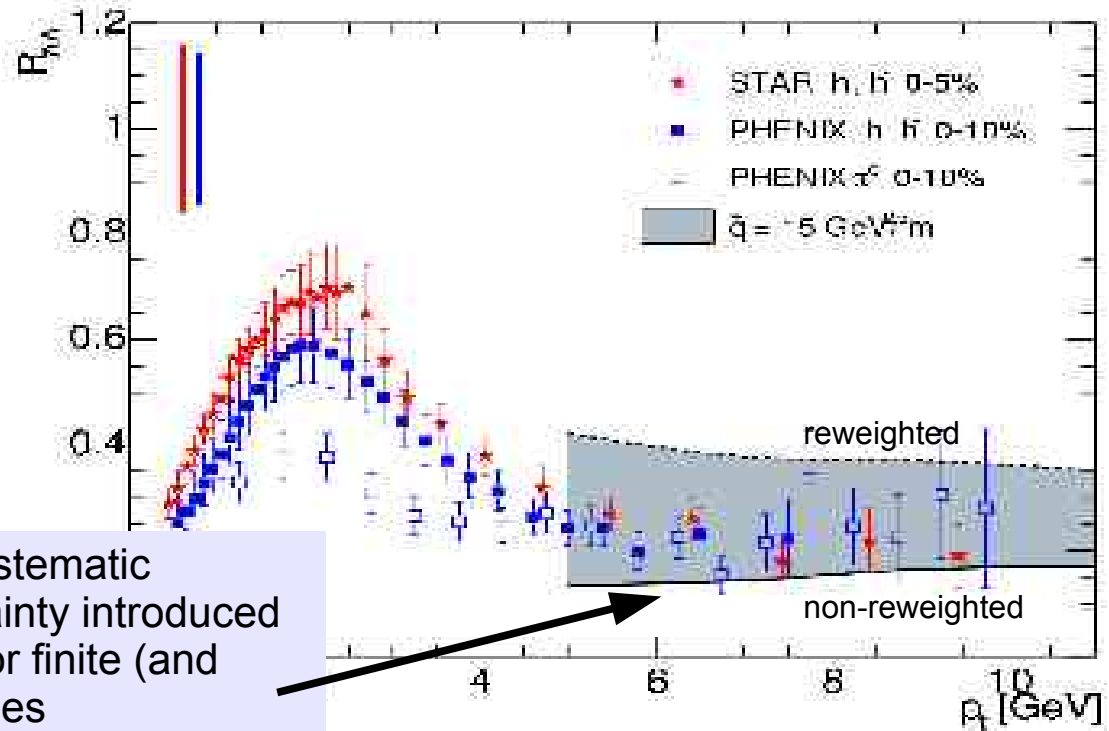


# $R_{AA}$ in central Au+Au at 200 GeV (2)

Need

$$\hat{q} = 15 \text{ GeV}^2/\text{fm}$$

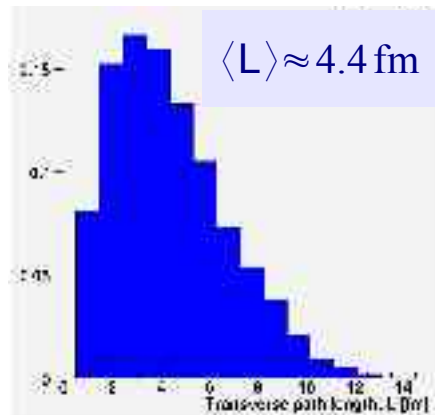
to describe the measured suppression in 0-10% Au+Au for Glauber-based length distribution



Band represents systematic (theoretical) uncertainty introduced by the constraints for finite (and small) parton energies

PYTHIA  
 $C_R, p_T$

$$L = \frac{\int dl \rho(x_0+l, y_0+l; b)}{\int dl \rho(x_0+l, y_0+l; b)}$$

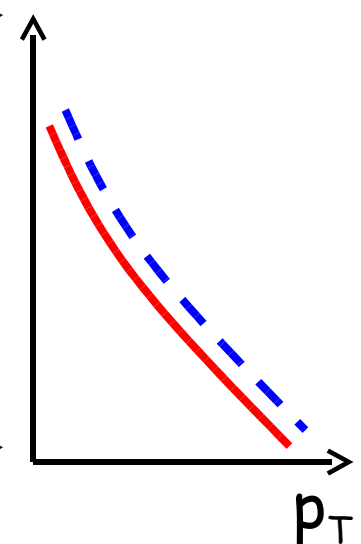


and FIXED  $\hat{q}$

$$P(\Delta E; C_R, \hat{q}, L, p_T)$$

$$p_T - \Delta E$$

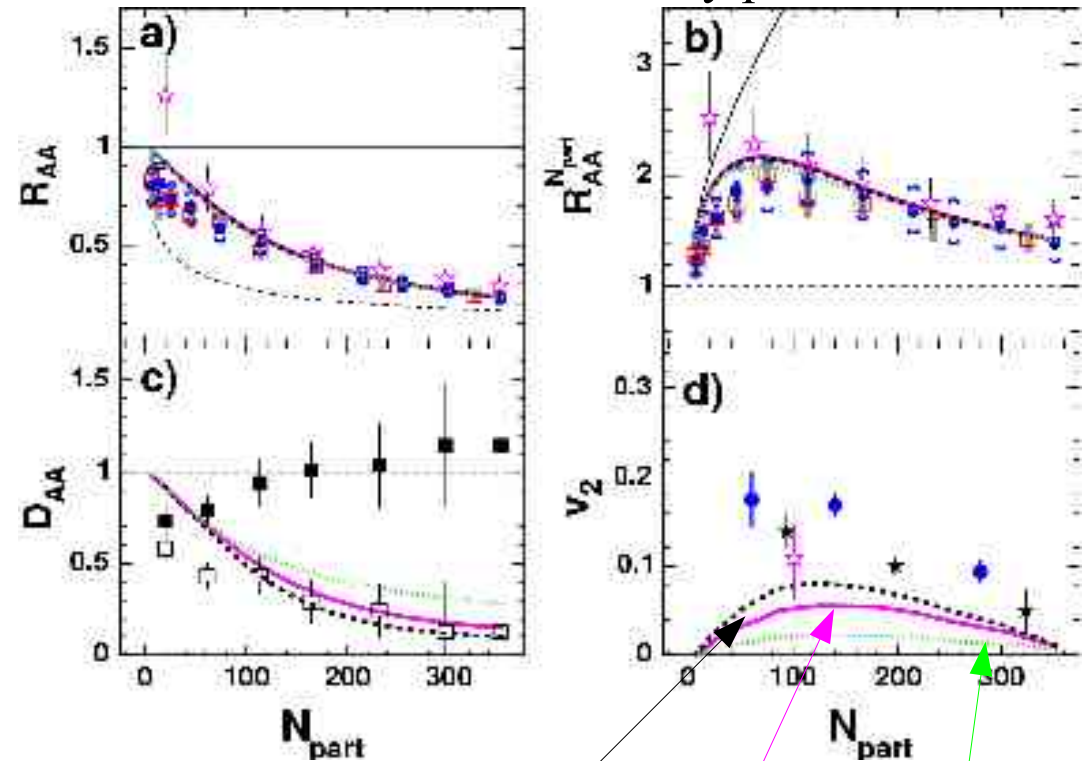
KKP fragmentation



# Role of collision geometry

- Parton production according to  $\rho_{\text{coll}}(x, y; b)$
- Parton absorption according:
 
$$f = \exp(-k l) ; l \propto \int f(l) \rho(l) dl$$
 independent on  $p_T$  where  $l$  is line-integral over density-profile for different expansion scenarios
- Results relatively independent on detailed modelling of matter (not shown) and absorption patterns

Wood-Saxon density profile



$L^2$  and static

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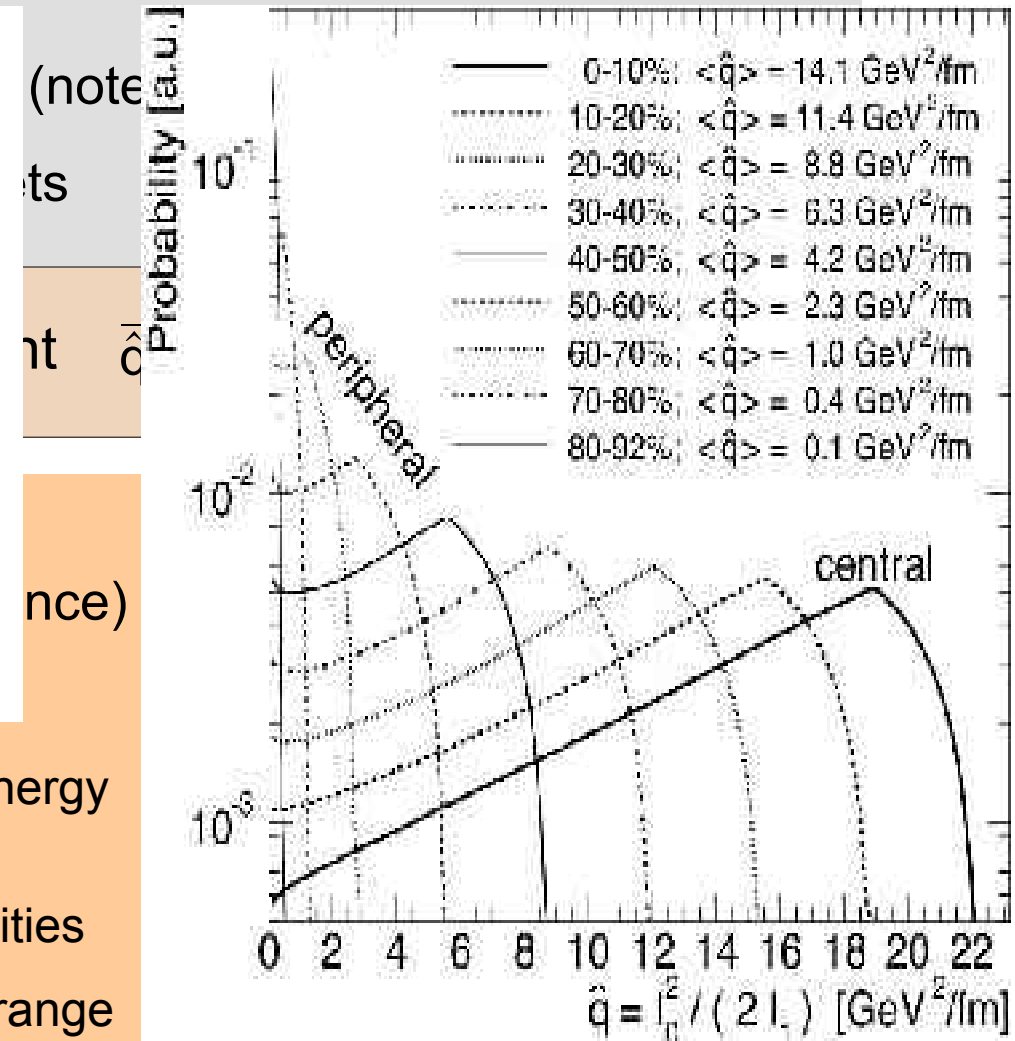
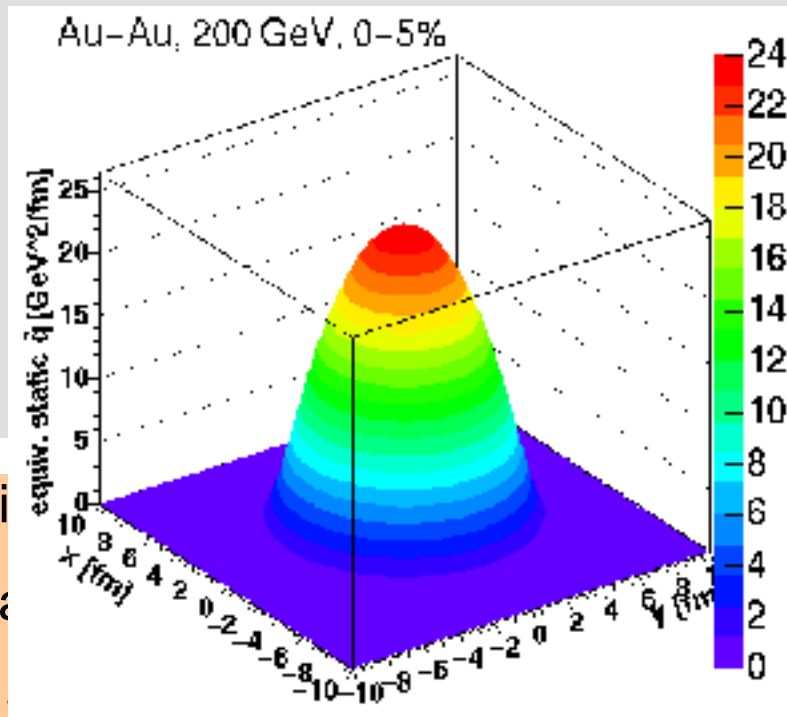
**→ Opaque medium: geometry dominates**

Drees, Feng, Jia, PRC 71 (2005) 034909.

# PQM parton-by-parton approach

- Define “local” transport coefficient

$$\hat{q}(\xi; x_0, y_0, \phi_0; b) = k \times T_A T_B(x_0 + \xi \cos \phi_0, y_0 + \xi \sin \phi_0; b)$$



- Define
- Parameter
- 
- Implicitly depends on systems and energy (see later)
- Use Glauber to scale to other centralities
- Report  $\langle \hat{q} \rangle \propto k$  for a given centrality range

Dainese, Loizides, Paic, EPJC (2005) 461.

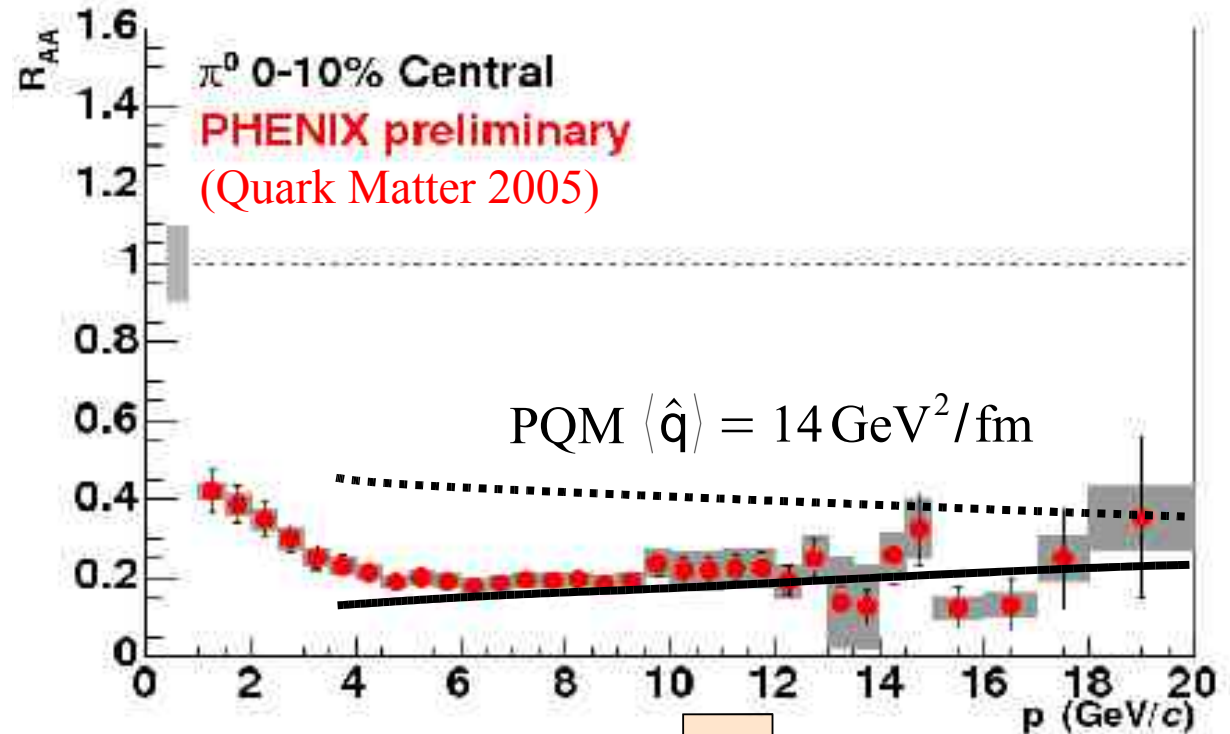
# $R_{AA}$ in central Au+Au at 200 GeV (3)

Find

$$\langle \hat{q} \rangle = 14 \text{ GeV}^2/\text{fm}$$

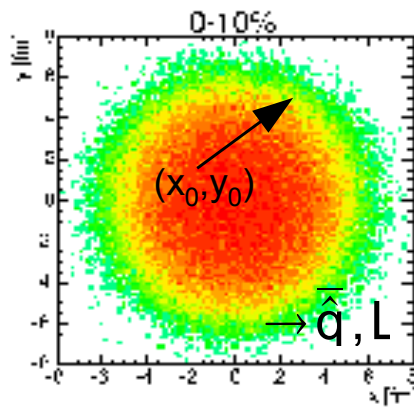
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PYTHIA

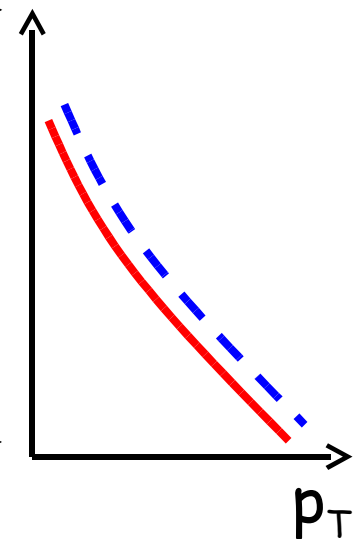
$C_R, p_T$



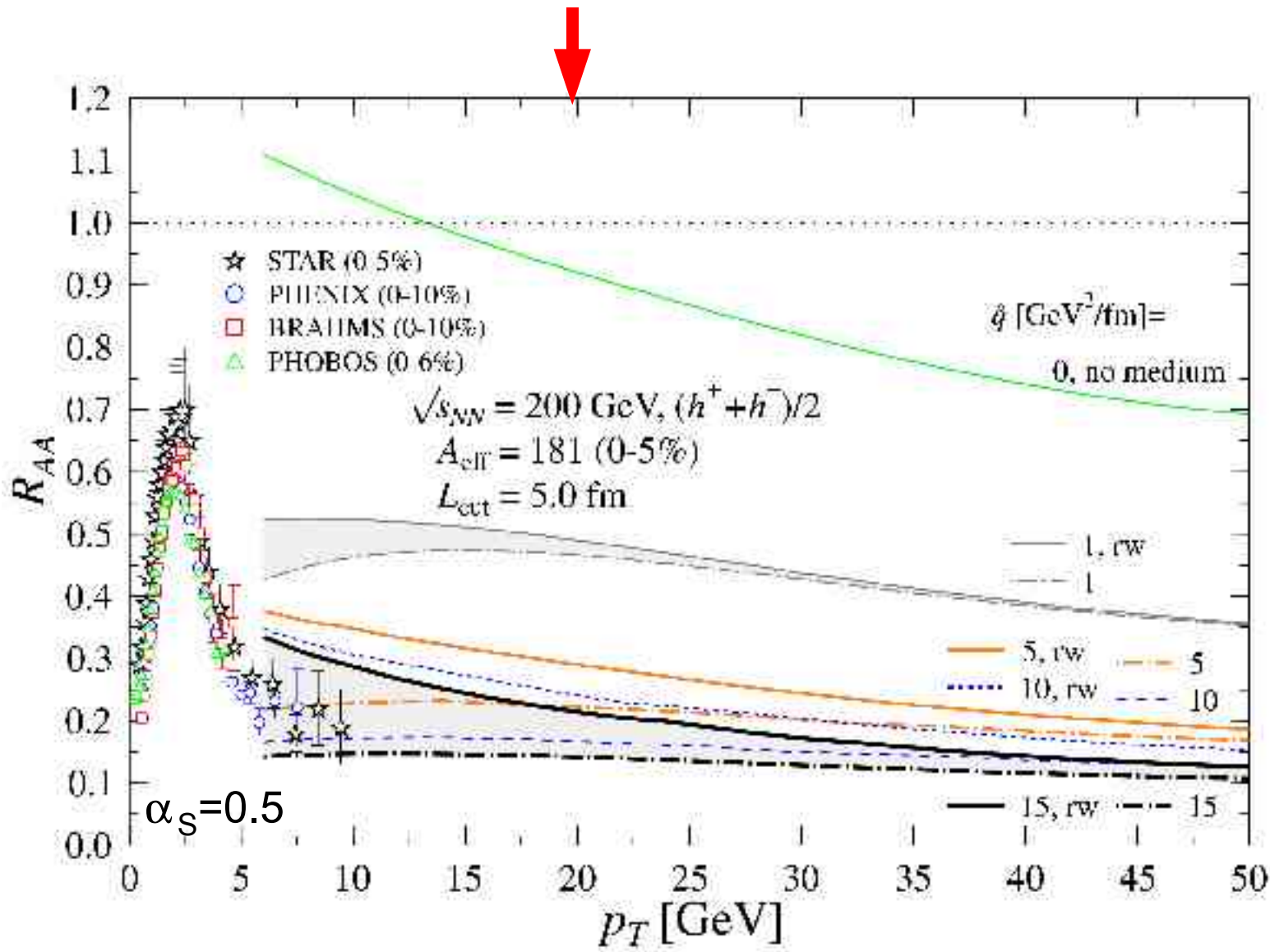
$$P(\Delta E; C_R, \hat{q}, L, p_T)$$

$$p_T - \Delta E$$

KKP fragmentation



# $R_{AA}$ in central Au+Au at 200 GeV (4)

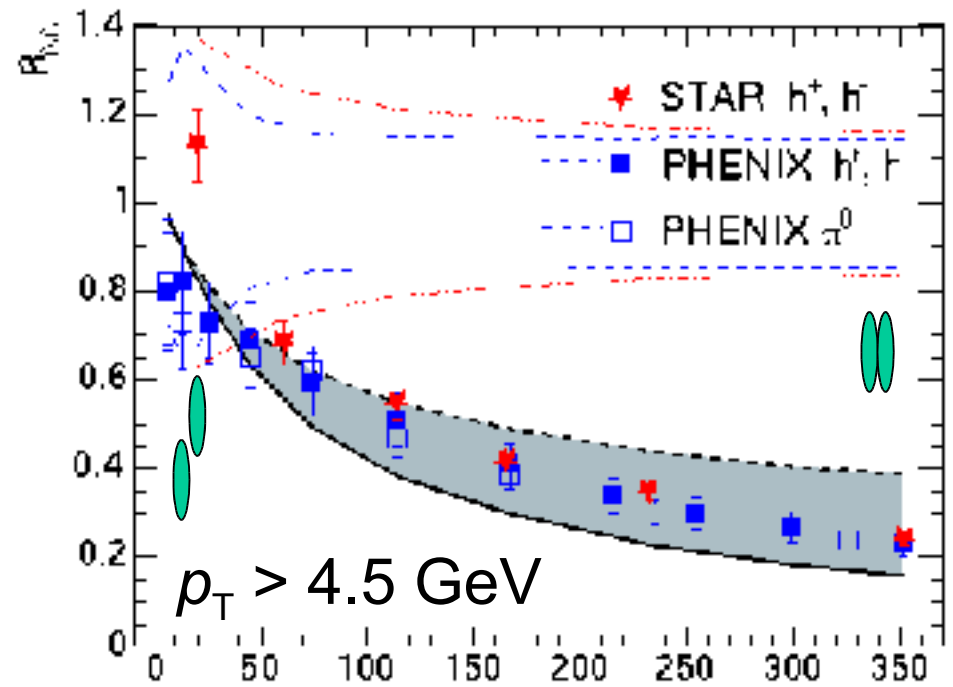
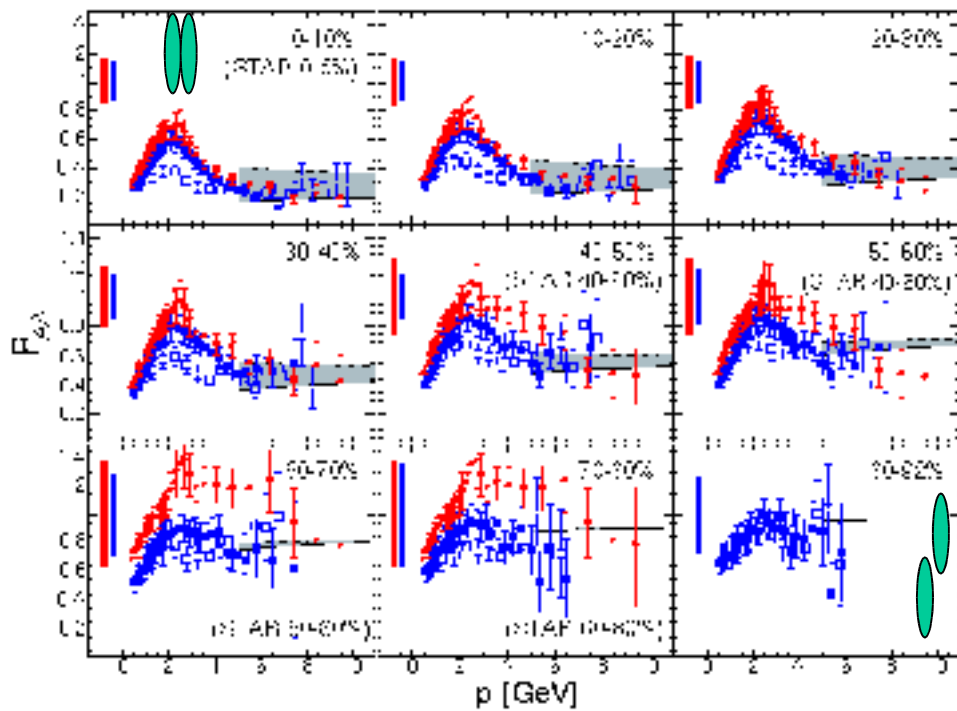
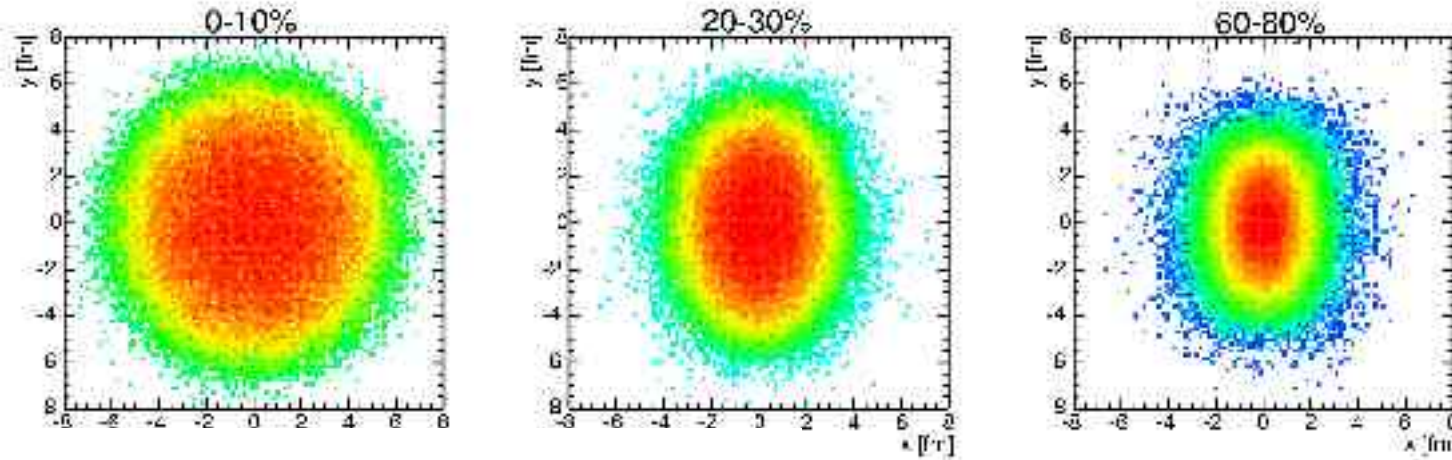


Eskola, Honkanen, Salgado, Wiedemann, NPA 747 (2005) 511.

# Centrality dep. of $R_{AA}$ for Au+Au at 200 GeV

Glauber:

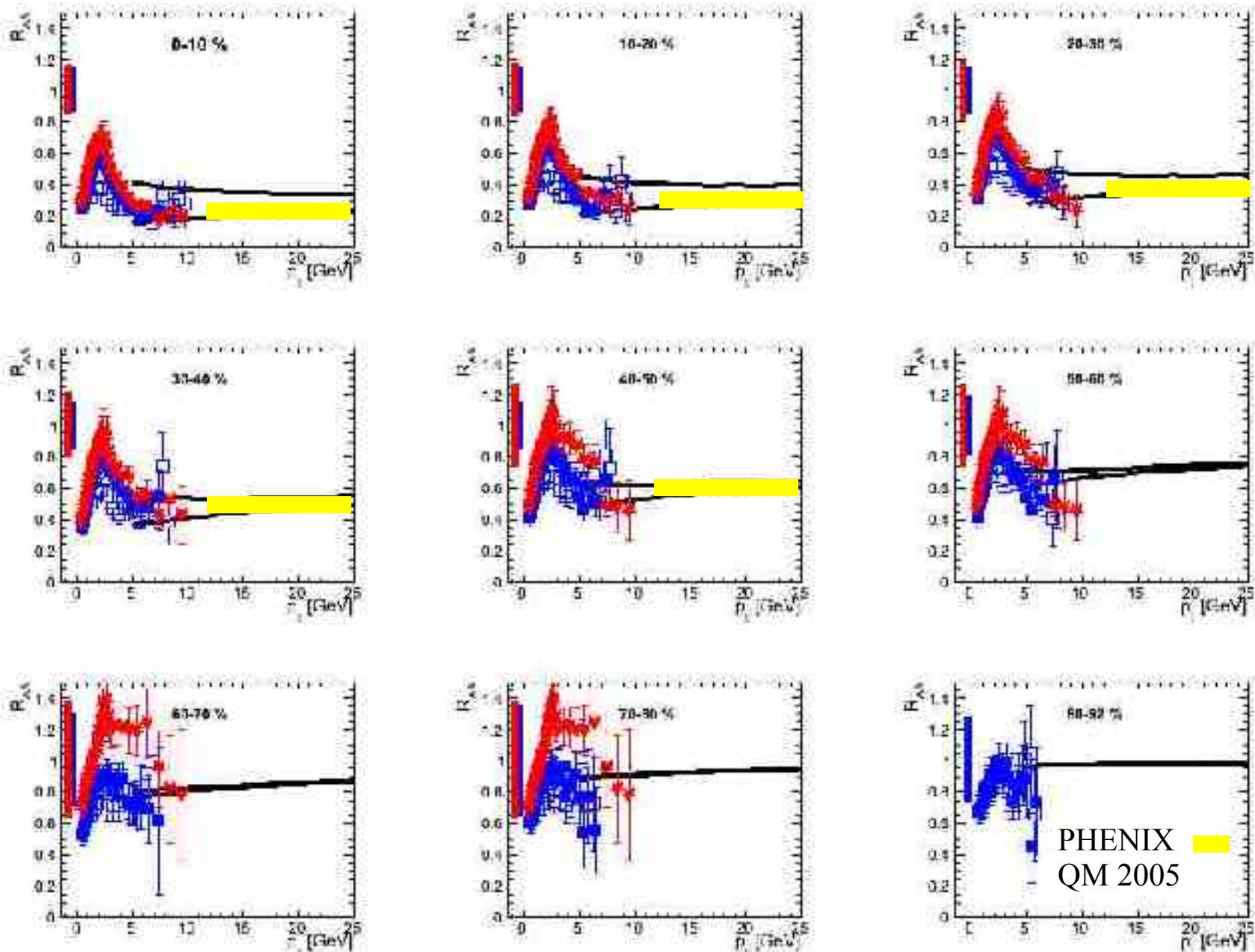
$$\hat{q}(b) = k^{\text{AuAu, 200 GeV}} \times T_A T_B(b)$$



Dainese, Loizides, Paic, EPJC (2005) 461.

# Centrality dep. of $R_{AA}$ for Au+Au at 200 GeV (2)

New  $\pi^0$   $R_{AA}$  data for 200 GeV Au Au from PHENIX





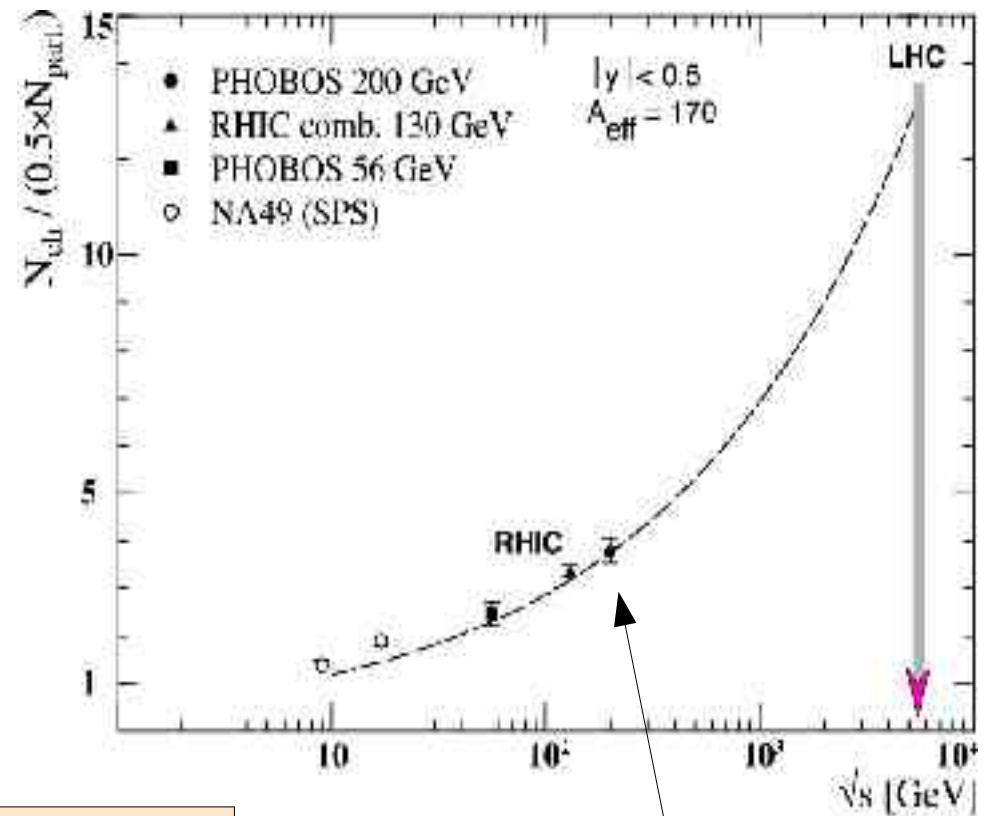
# Extrapolation to other systems

The transport coefficient is proportional to the gluon density, which according to the saturation model (EKRT) scales with

$$\langle \hat{q} \rangle \propto n^{\text{gluons}} \propto A^{0.383} \sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}}^{0.574}$$

Using the extracted value at Au+Au 200 GeV gives (for 0-10% collisions)

$$\langle \hat{q} \rangle = (A/197)^{0.383} \left( \sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}}/200 \right)^{0.574} \times 14 \left[ \text{GeV}^2/\text{fm} \right]$$



CuCu/AuAu  $\approx$  1,  
PHOBOS, nucl-ex/0510042

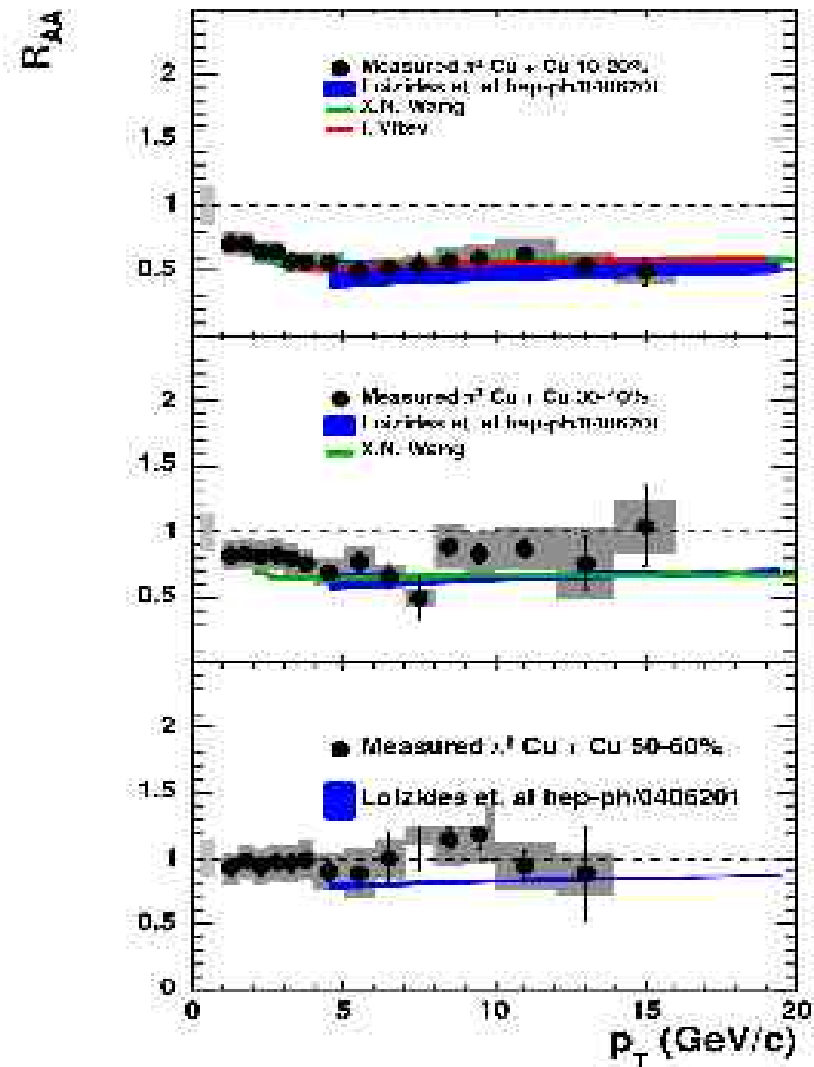
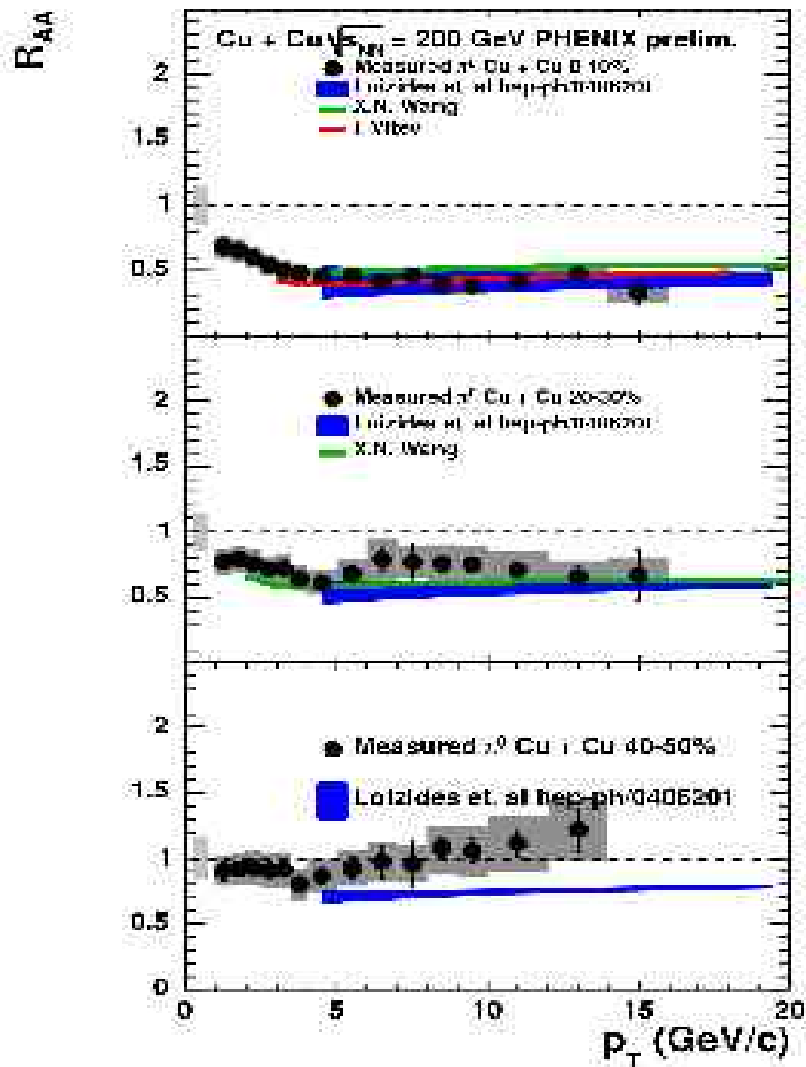


**Scale with 0.5 for 62.4 GeV Au+Au;  
with 0.63 for 200 GeV Cu+Cu**  
(Factor 7 for 5.5 TeV Pb+Pb)

Eskola, Kajantie, Ruuskanen, Tuominen, NPB 570 (2000) 379.

# Extrapolation to other systems (2)

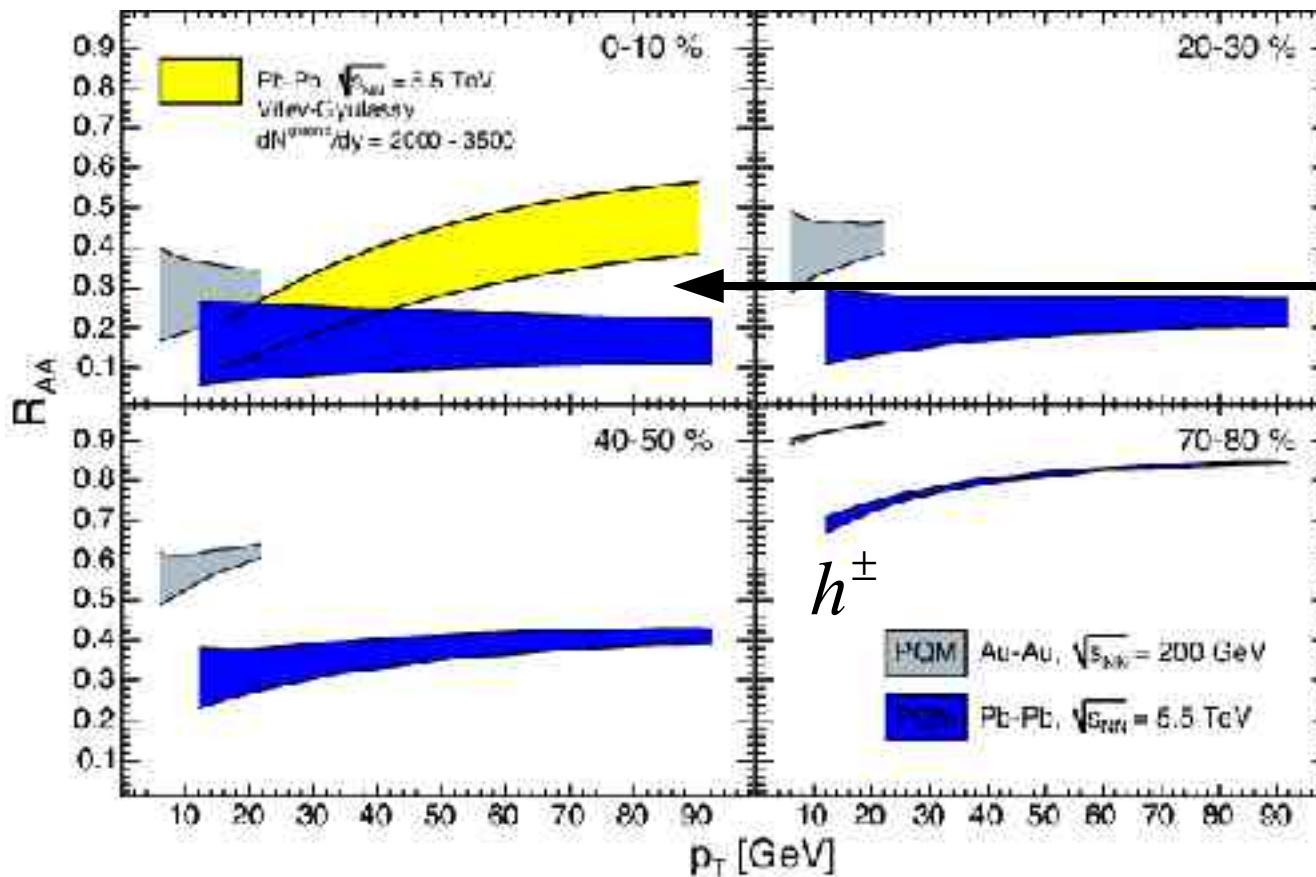
$$\langle \hat{q}^{200, \text{CuCu}} \rangle = 9 \text{ GeV}^2/\text{fm}$$



➔ species/energy extrapolation works reasonably well

# $R_{AA}$ prediction for LHC

$$\langle \hat{q}^{5500, \text{PbPb}} \rangle \approx 25 - 100 \text{ GeV}^2/\text{fm}$$



Interesting(?)  
difference  
in predictions.

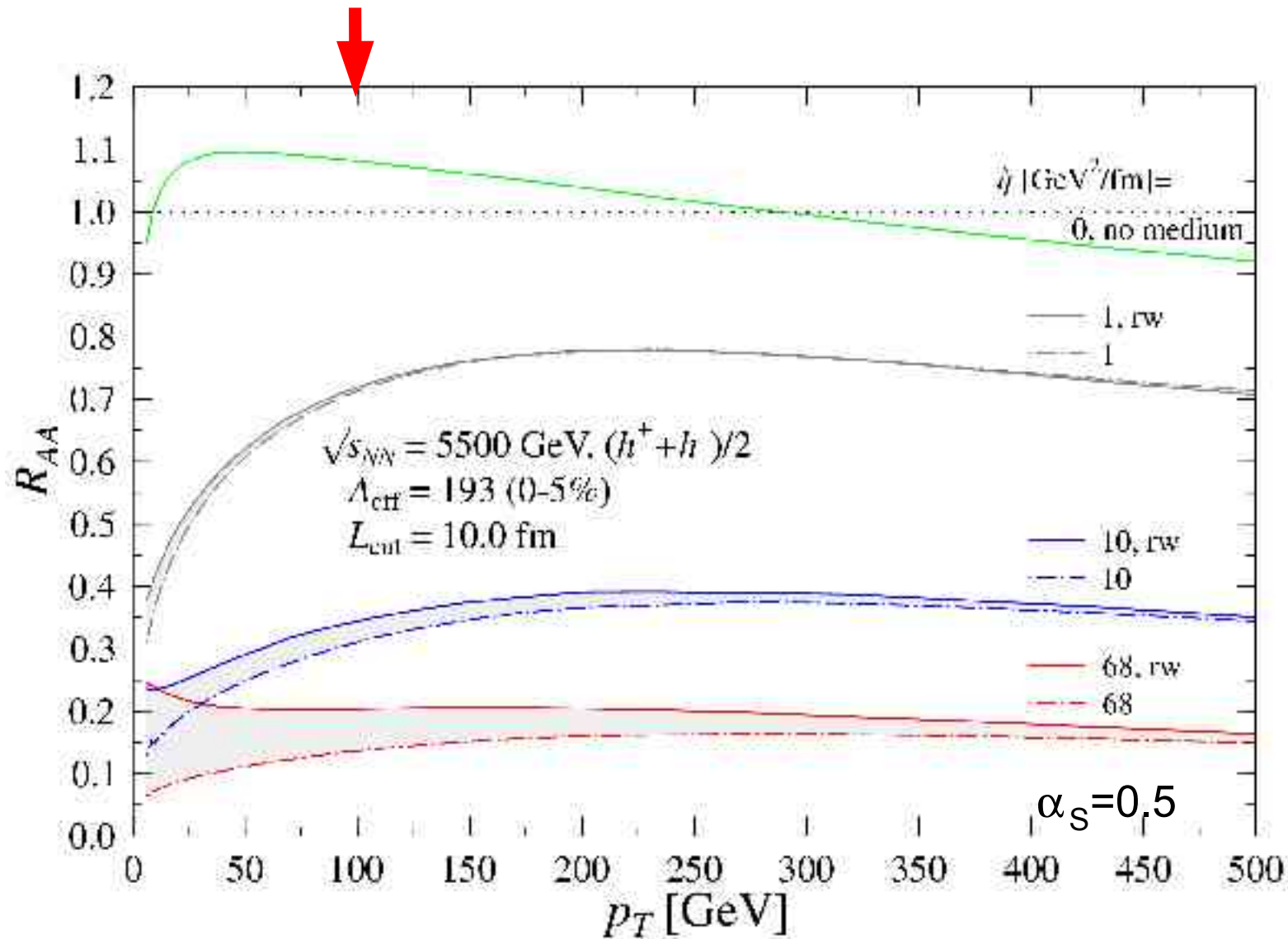
$$R_{AA}^{5.5 \text{ TeV}} \approx \frac{R_{AA}^{200 \text{ GeV}}}{2}$$

Similar results:  
Eskola et.al.  
NPA 747 (2005) 511.

➔ **PQM predicts also for large  $p_T$   
a rather  $p_T$ -independent  $R_{AA}$   
(for central collisions)**

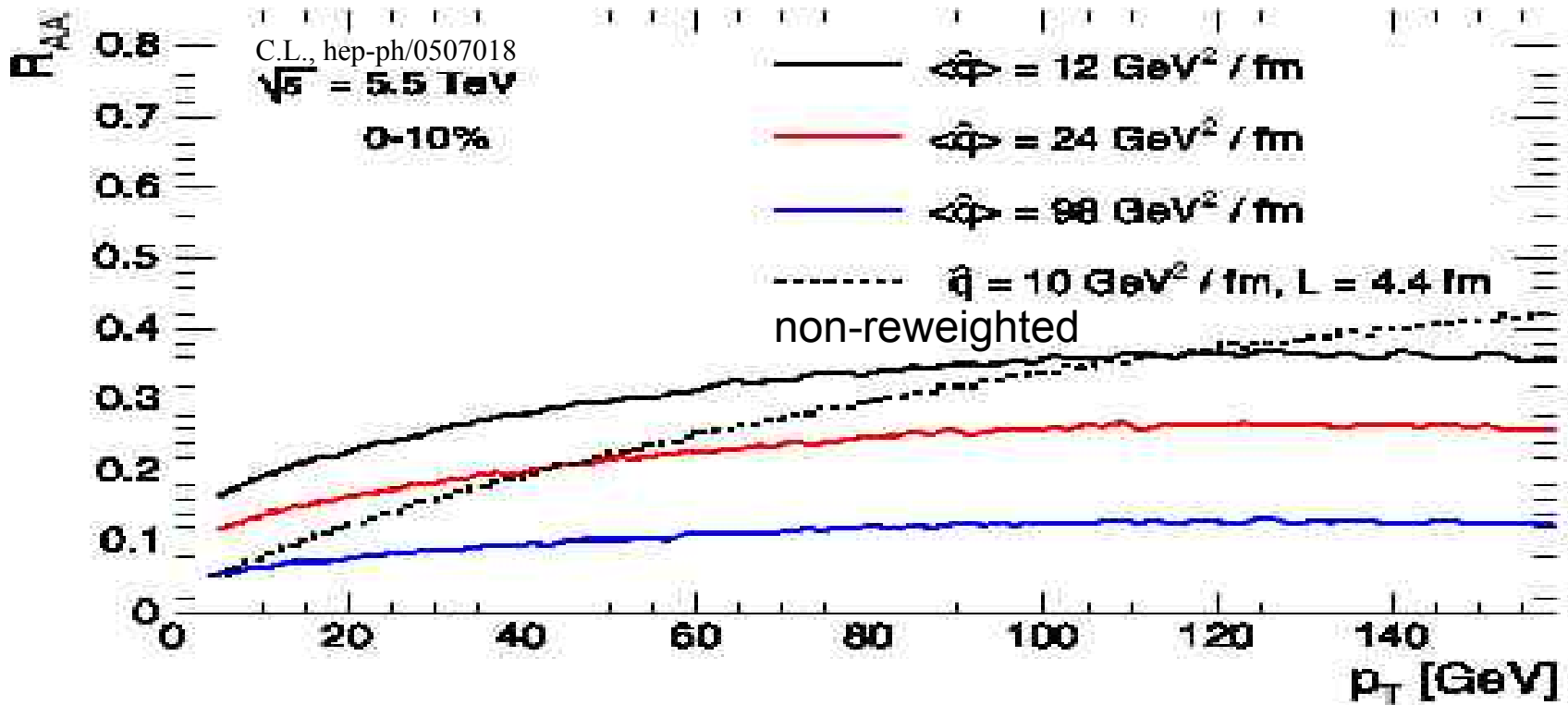
Vitev and Gyulassy, PRL 89 (2002) 252301.  
Dainese, Loizides, Paic, EPJC38 (2005), 461.

# $R_{AA}$ prediction for LHC (2)



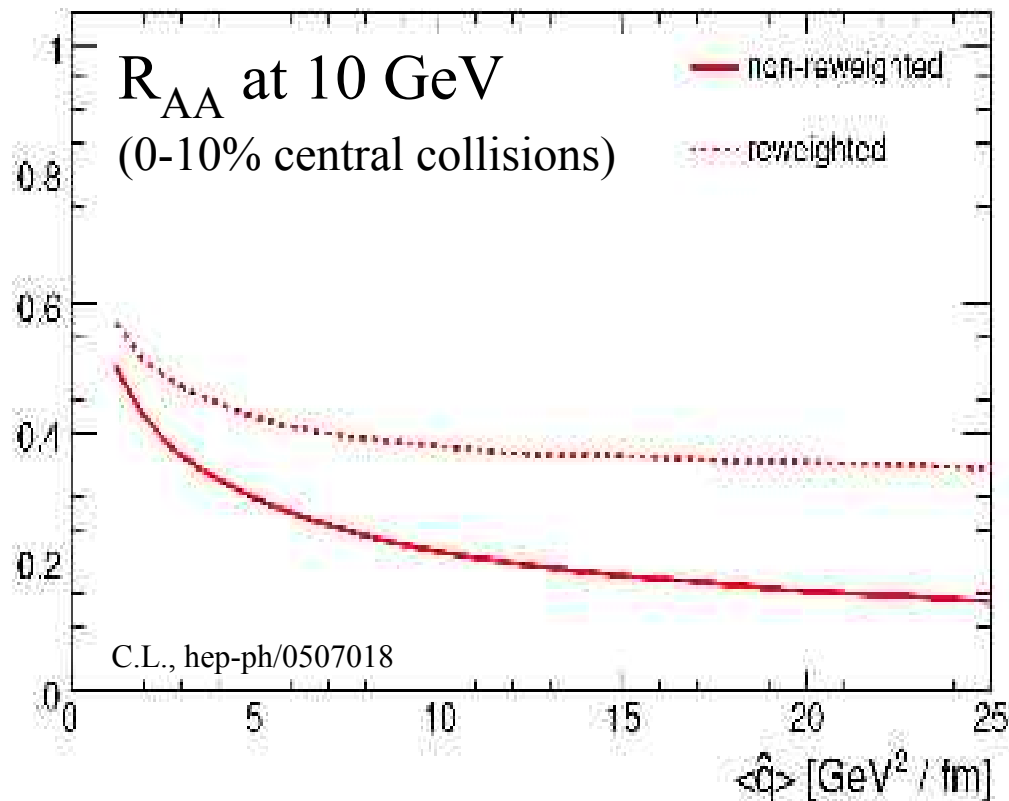
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# Why is $R_{AA}$ flat?

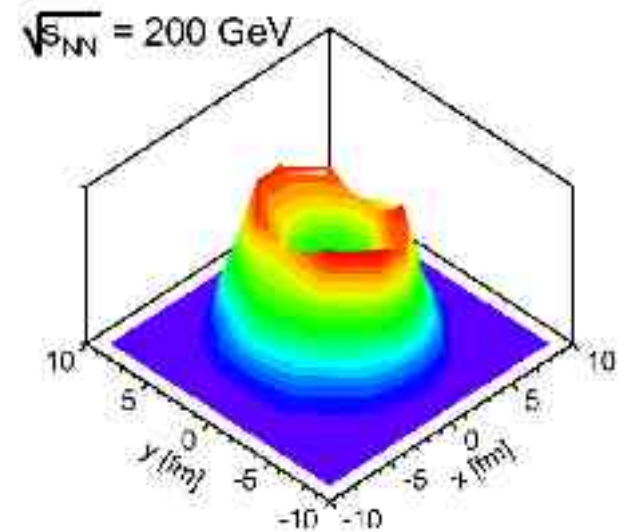


- The larger the parton energy the longer the possible explorable path length
  - For very large medium density  $R_{AA}$  flattens because all partons pay about the same prize for traversing the medium ( $\Delta E/E \sim E^\alpha$ ,  $\alpha > 0.5$ )
  - Check: For fixed geometry  $R_{AA}$  rises as expected

# Limited medium-sensitivity of $R_{AA}$



“Leading-particle probes are fragile!”



- Strong suppression requires very large densities
- Opaque medium leads to surface emission
- $R_{AA}$  determined by geometry rather than by density

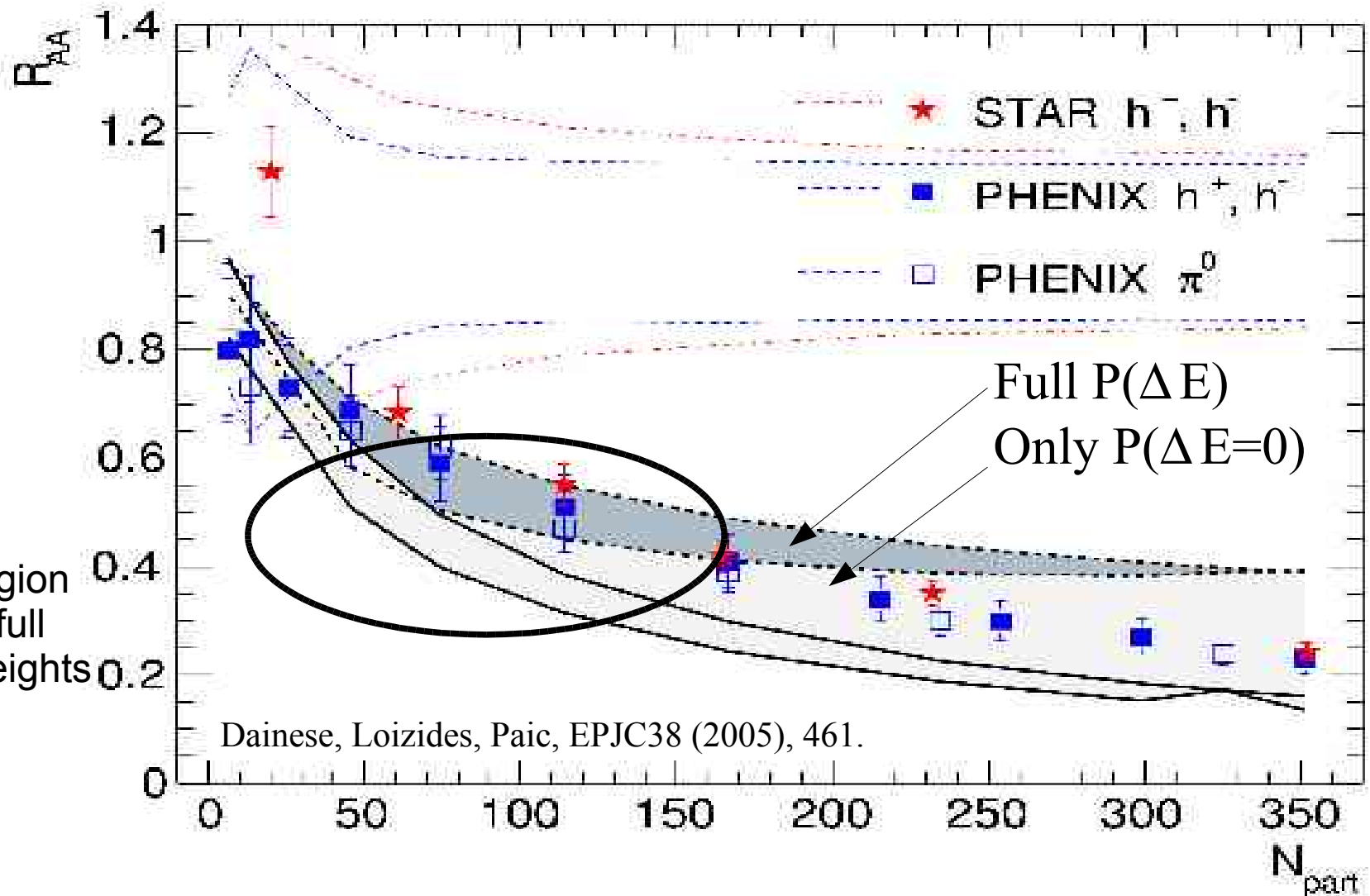



**Study peripheral collisions or/and more differential observables**

Müller, PRC67 (2003) 061901.

Escola, Honkanen, Salgado, Wiedemann, NPA747 (2005) 511.

# Construct extreme case of absorption

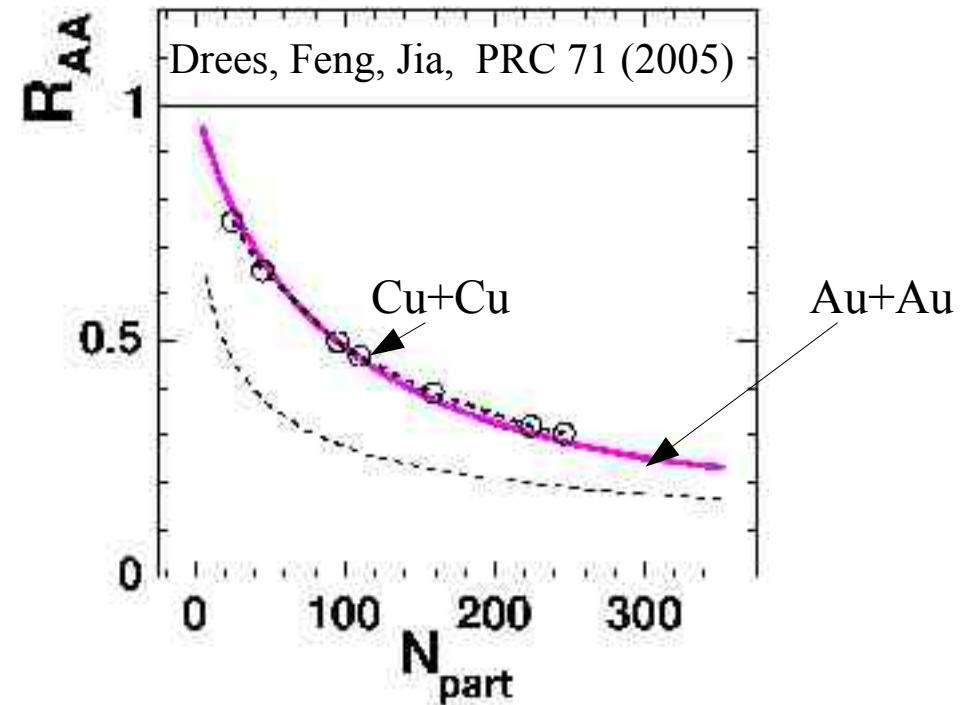
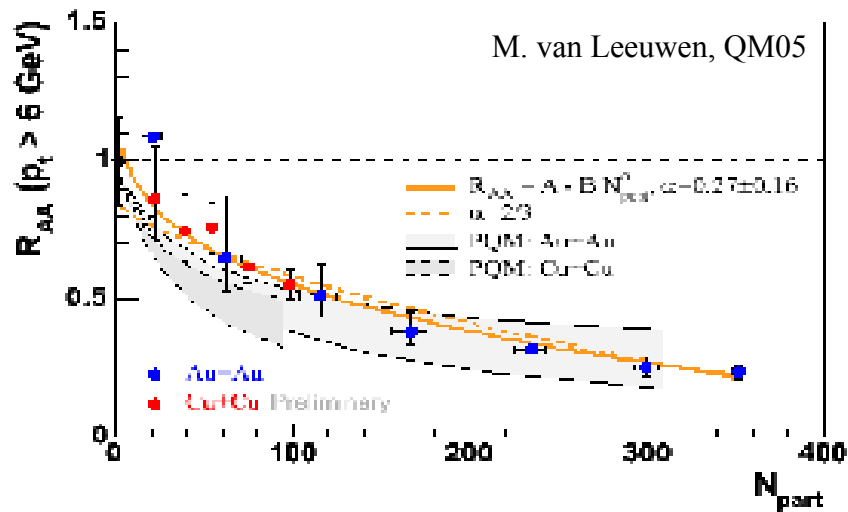



 Interesting region  
 which needs full  
 quenching weights

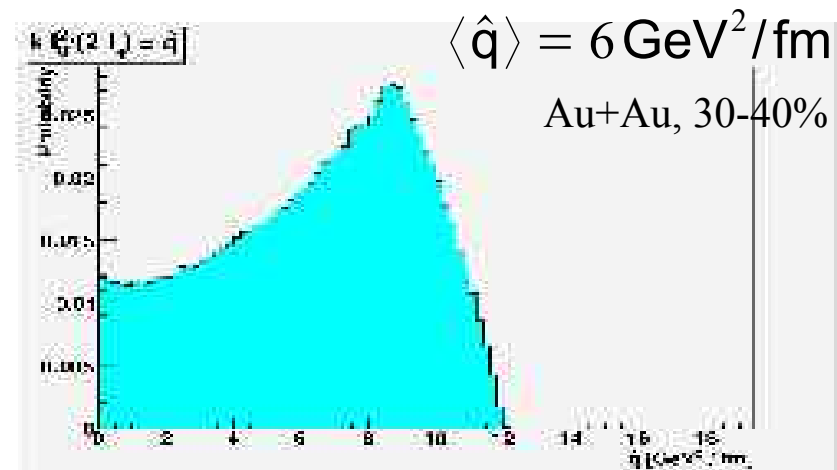
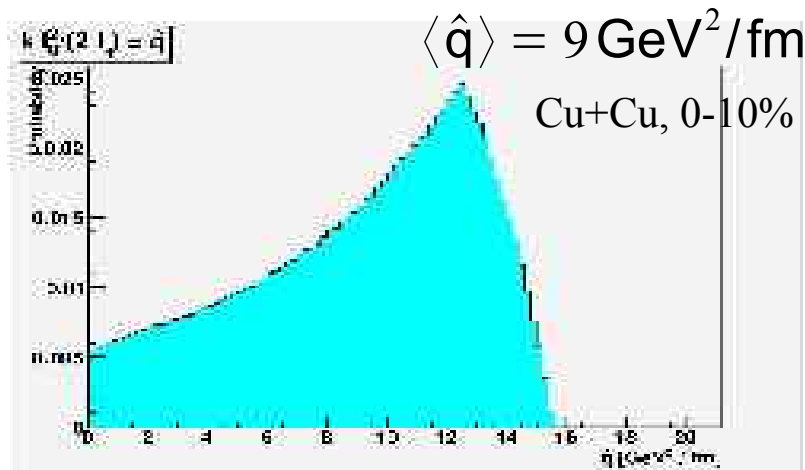
Construct modified quenching weights to reflect pure absorption:

$$P^{\text{mod}}(\Delta E, E; H) \approx P(\Delta E=0, E; H) \delta(\Delta E) + (1 - P_0(\Delta E=0, E; H)) \delta(E - \Delta E)$$

# Simple(r) models are quite successful



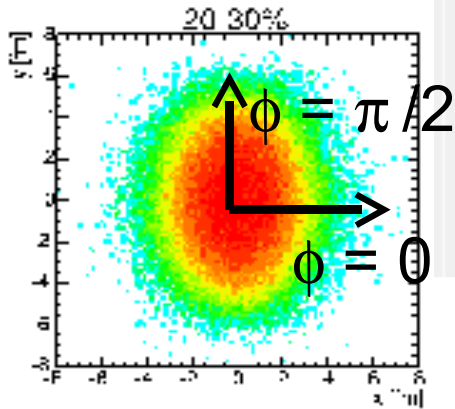
Need to refine our scaling with EKRT?



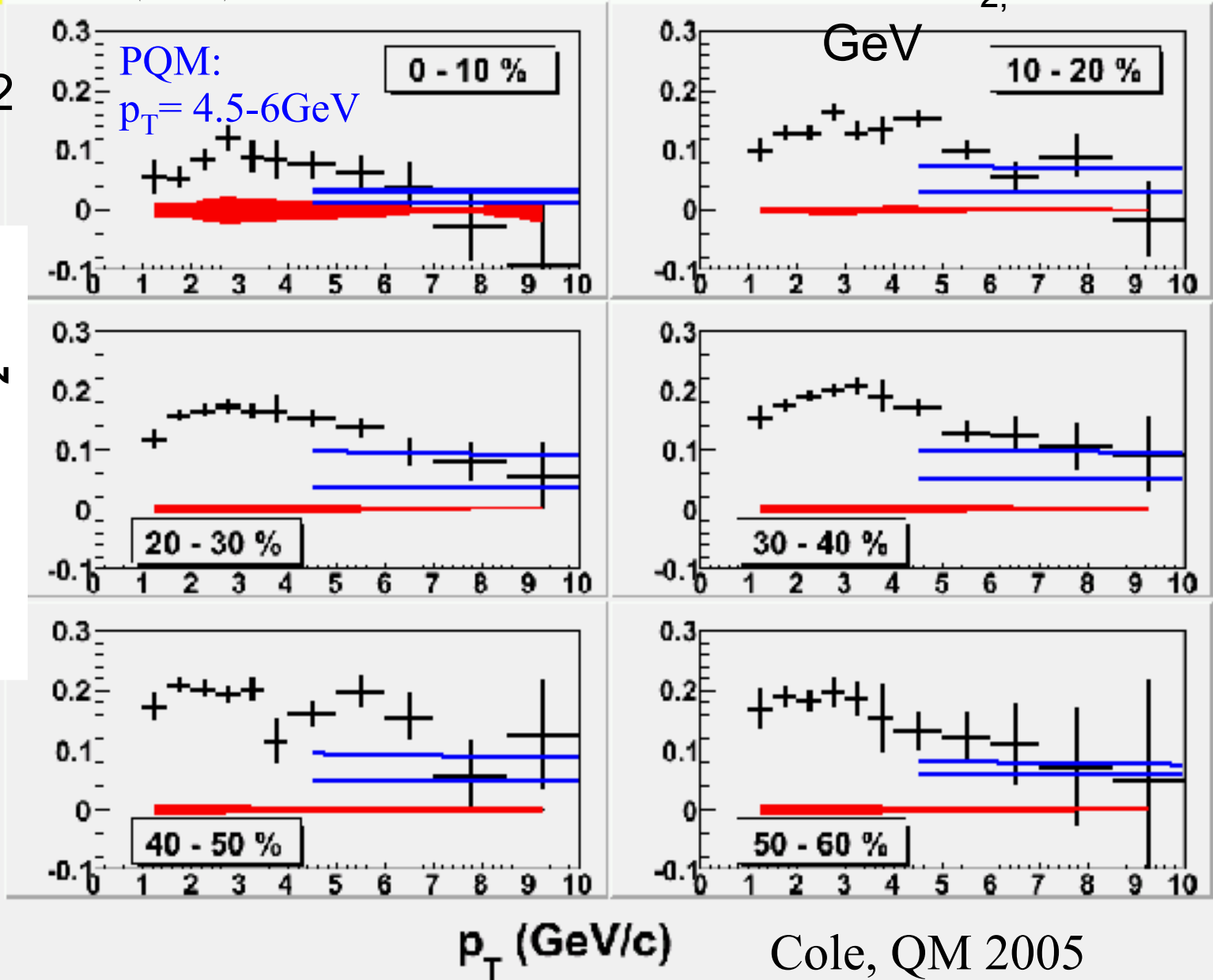


# Azimuthal asymmetry at high $p_T$

$$dN/d\phi \propto 1 + 2v_2 \cos(2\phi)$$



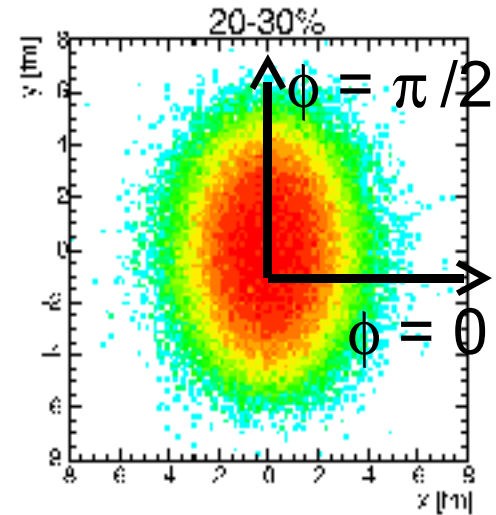
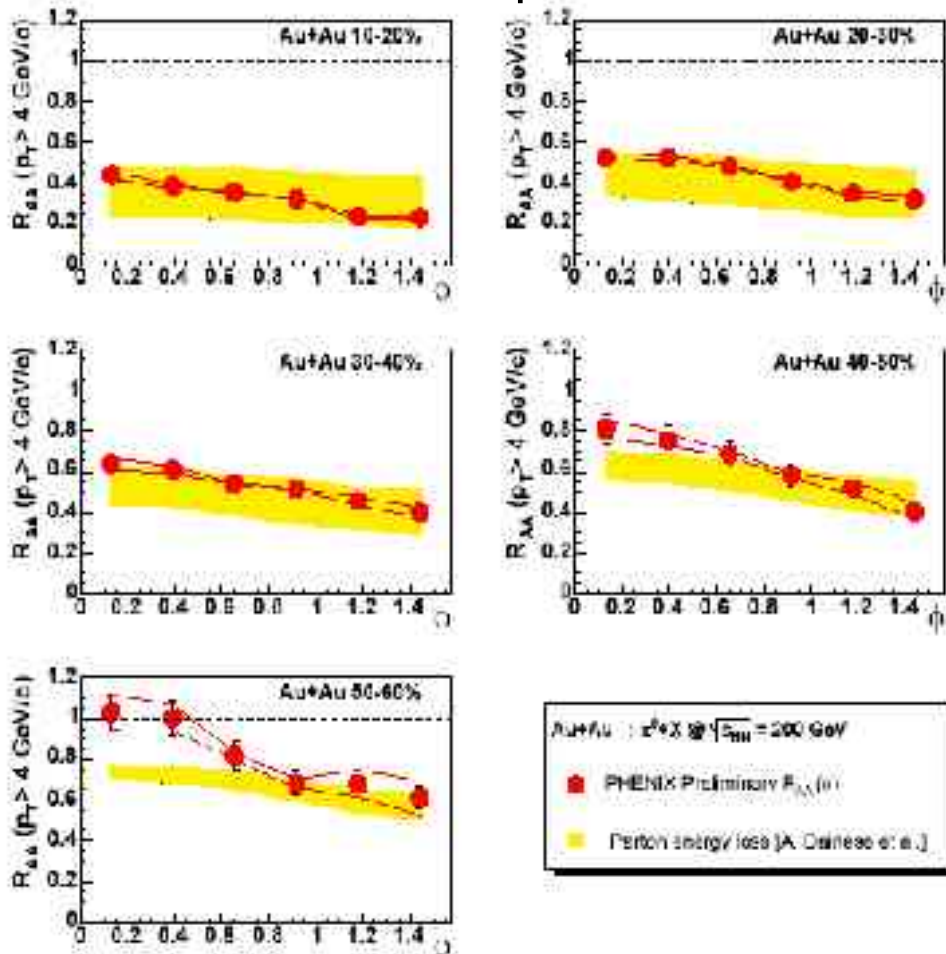
$\pi^0 - v_2$



# Comparison with data on $R_{AA}$ vs emission angle

→ Further handle on  $L$ -dependence\*

PHENIX  $\pi^0$  prel. vs PQM



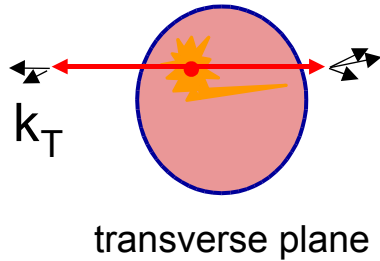
Data show stronger  $\phi$  dep. than PQM model

Note: model is not  $\Delta E \propto L^2$ , rather  $\Delta E \propto L$   
 \* **Beware:** effect of collective flow on  $R_{AA}$  vs  $\phi$  !?!

D. d'Enterria (nucl-ex/0504001)

# Away-side suppression within PQM

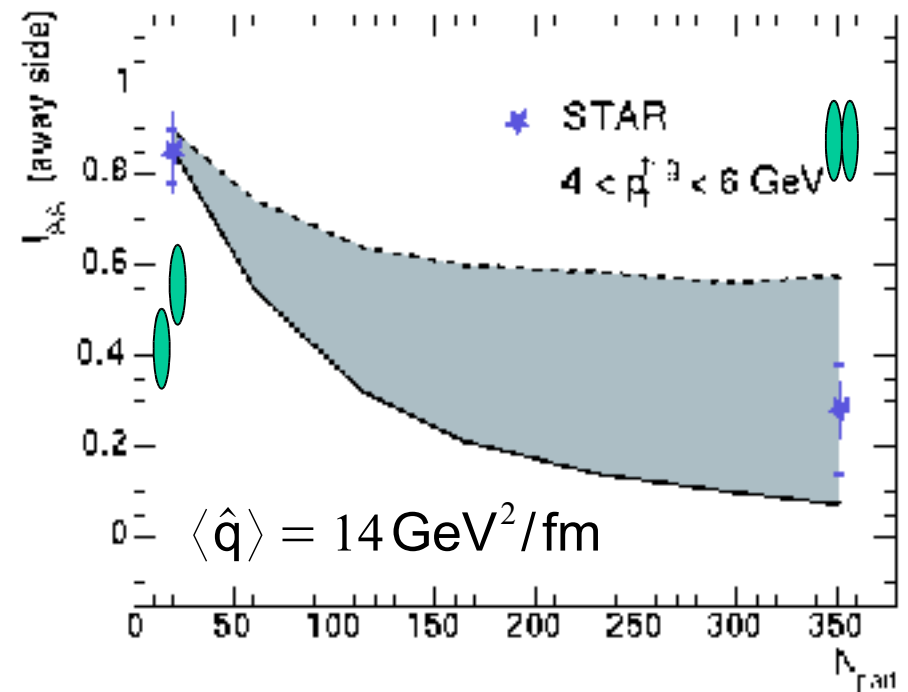
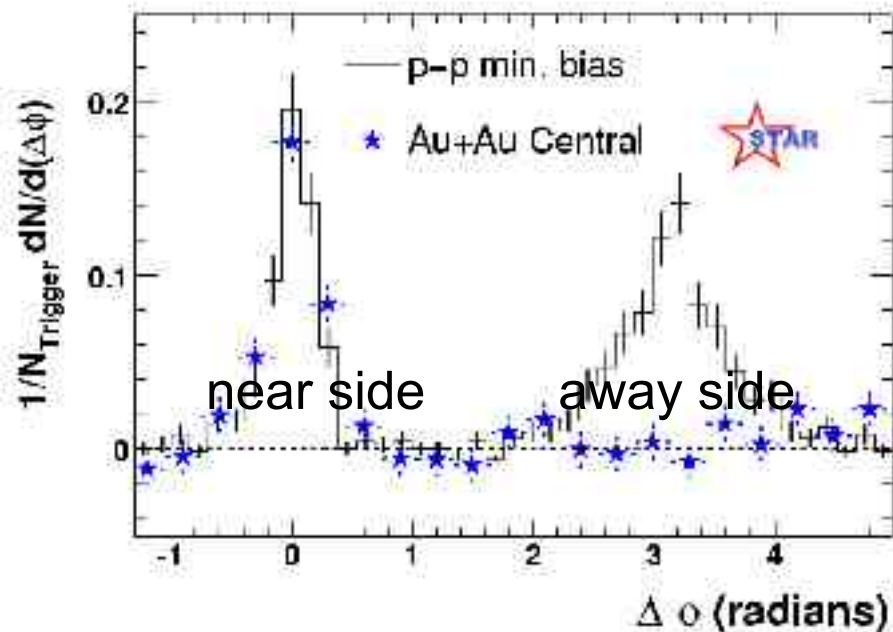
Back-to-back partons in PQM: no  $k_T$



$$I_{AB}^{\text{away}} = \int_{\text{away}} dN_{AB} / \int_{\text{away}} dN_{pp}$$

Trigger  $4 < p_T^{\text{trigger}} < 6 \text{ GeV}$

$\Delta\phi$  distribution:  $2 \text{ GeV} < p_T < p_T^{\text{trigger}}$



STAR Coll., PRL 90 (2003) 082302

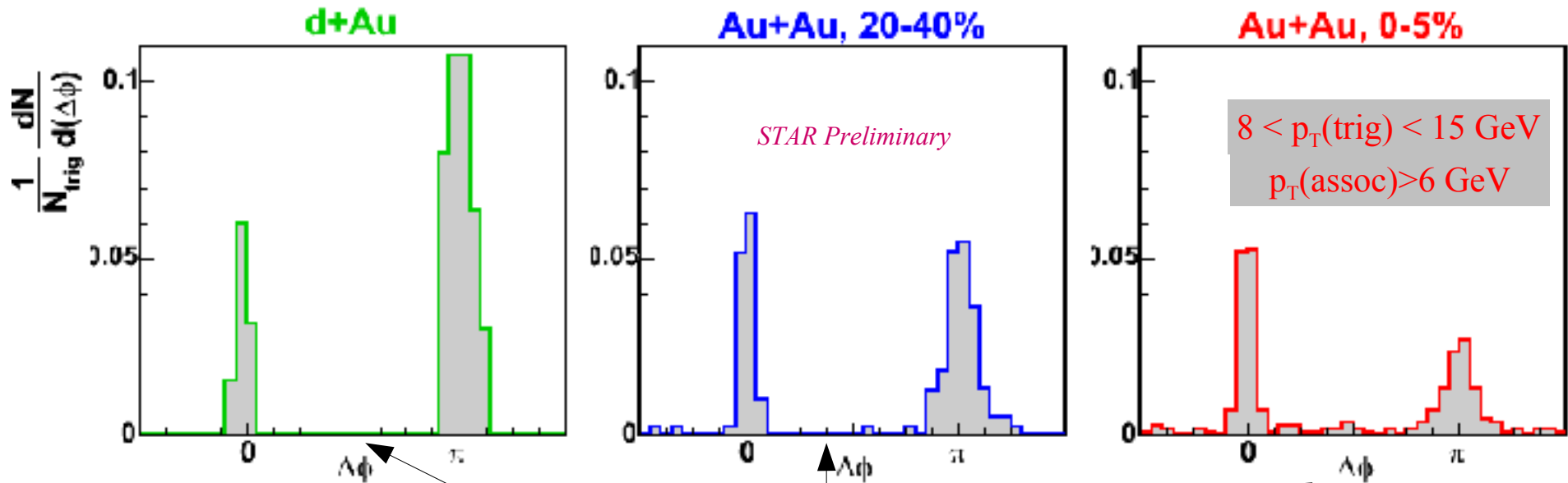
STAR Coll., nucl-ex/0501016

Dainese, Loizides, Paic, EPJC38 (2005), 461.

# Emergence of true di-jets in AuAu

Au+Au Run4 allows jet-like two-particle correlations with much higher statistics

*QM 2005,  
Dan Magestro*



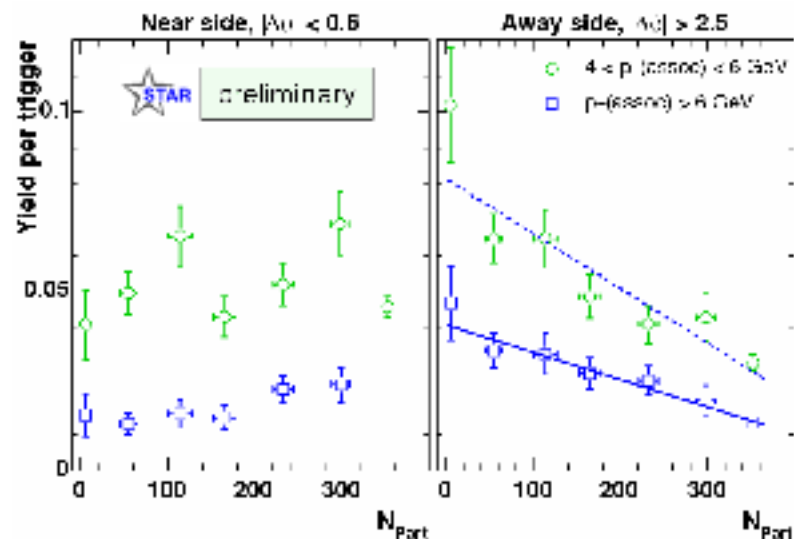
No background subtraction!!!



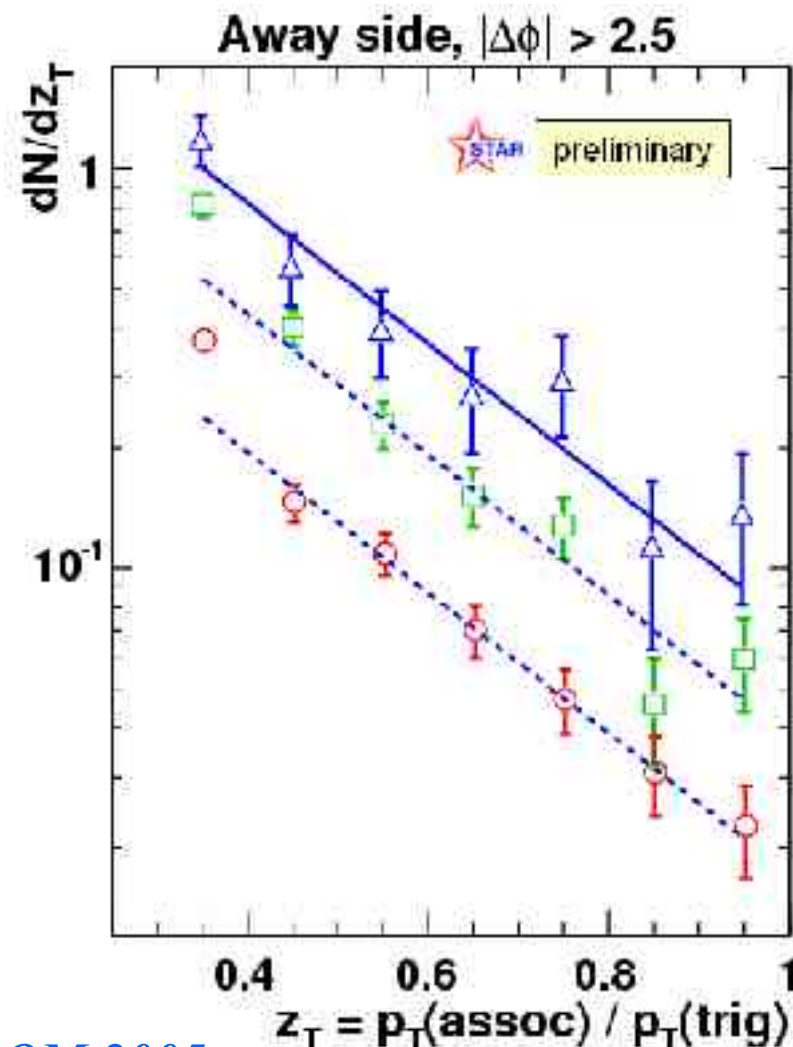
For the first time clear jet-like peaks seen on near + away-side in central Au+Au collisions

# Combined di-jets observations

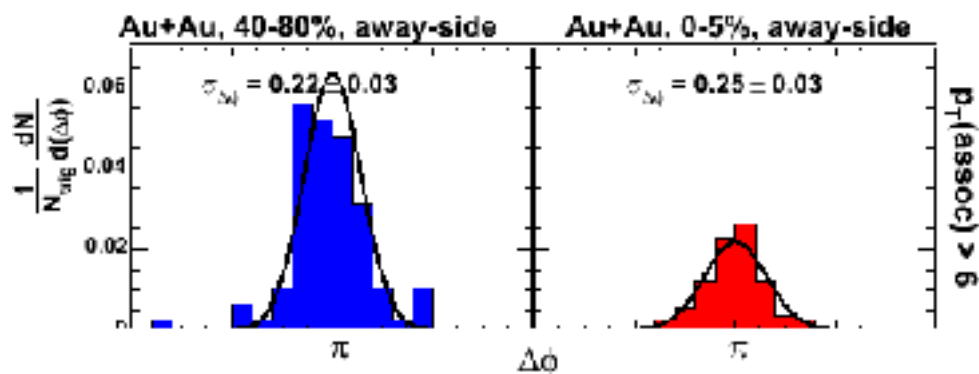
Dijets more suppressed from d+Au to central collisions



Away-side fragmentation pattern unchanged



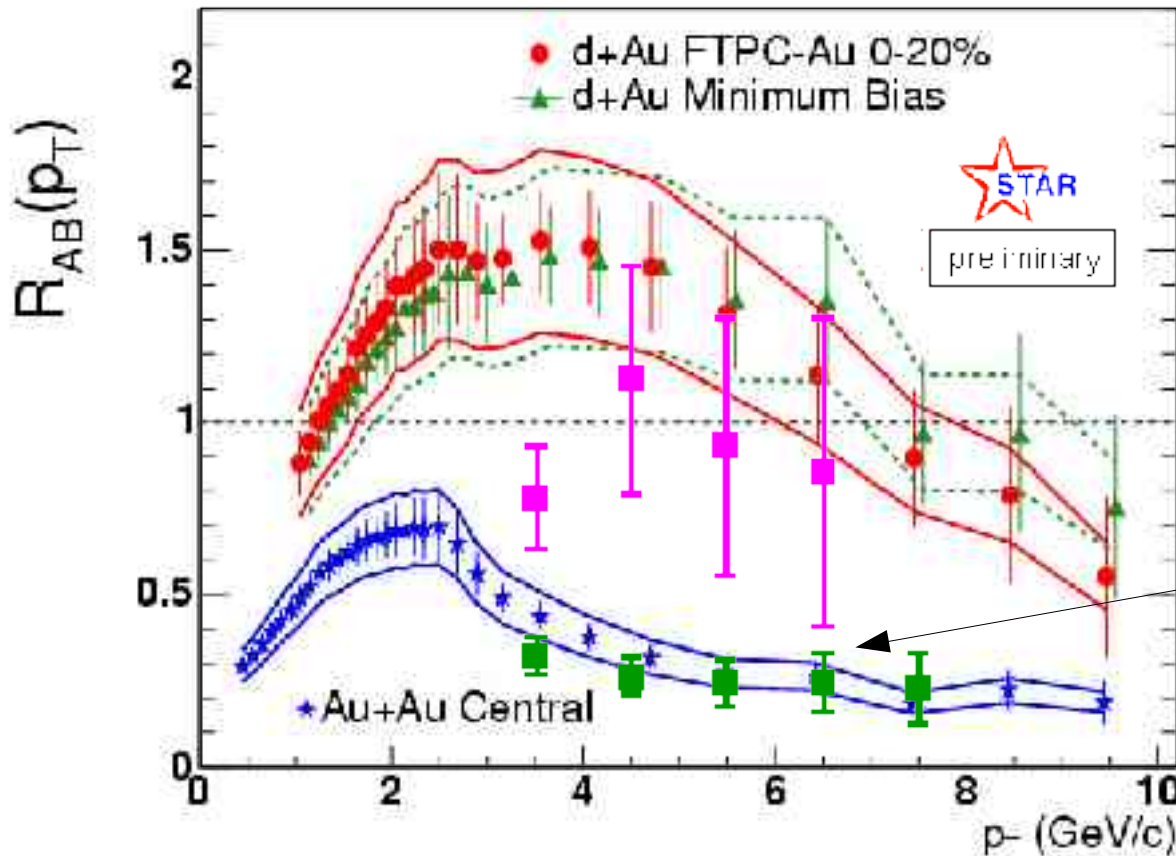
Away-side widths similar for central, noncentral



QM 2005,  
courtesy Dan Magestro

# Dijet associated yields ( $I_{AA}$ )

STAR, Phys. Rev. Lett. 91 (2003) 072304



*QM 2005,  
Dan Magestro*

$8 < p_T(\text{trig}) < 15 \text{ GeV}/c$

= Near-side  $I_{AA}$

= Away-side  $I_{AA}$

$I_{AA} = 0.2-0.3$

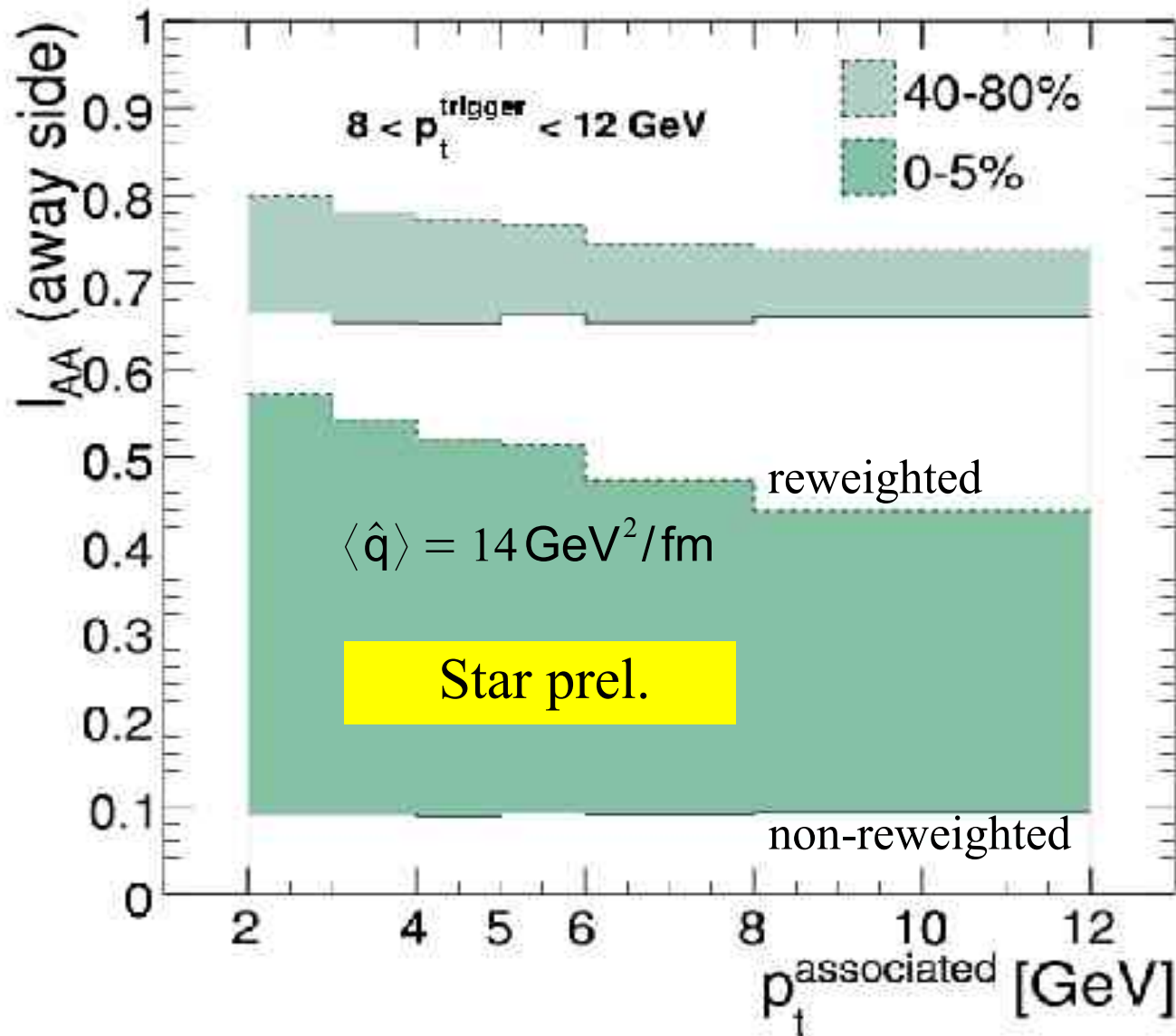
$$I_{AA} = \frac{\text{Yield}(0-5\% \text{ Au+Au})}{\text{Yield}(d+\text{Au})}$$

- Near-side yields consistent with unity
- Away-side associated yields similar to  $R_{AA}$  values

# PQM prediction before QM 2005

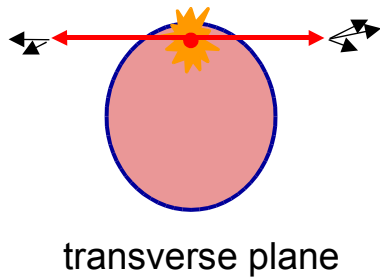
Density ( $\hat{q}$ ) still "tuned" to match  $R_{AA}$   
in central Au+Au at 200 GeV

$$I_{AB}^{\text{away}} = \int_{\text{away}} dN_{AB} / \int_{\text{away}} dN_{pp}$$

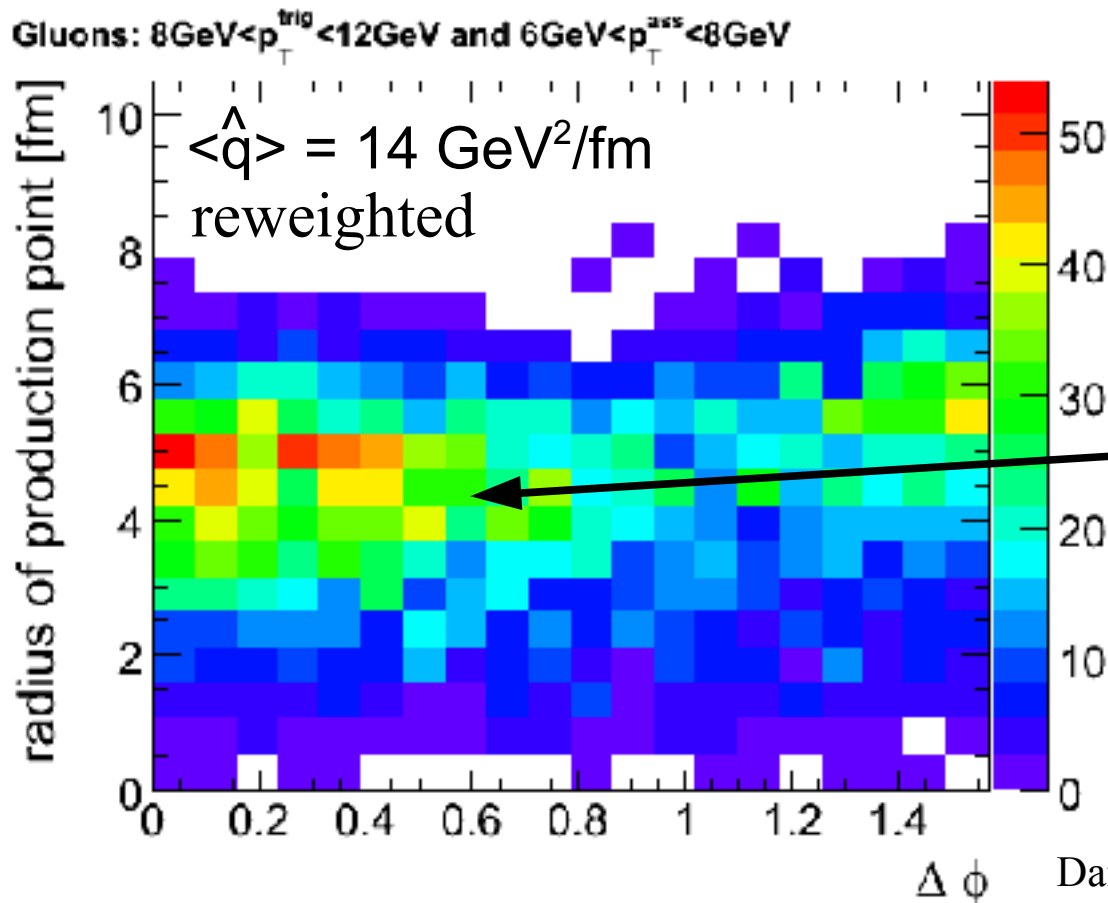
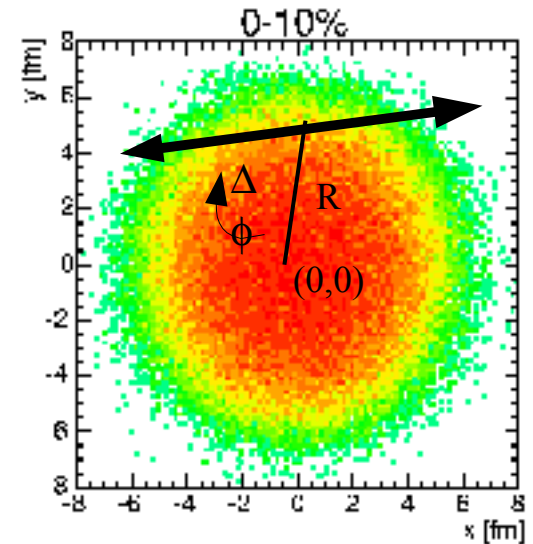


Reweighted approach leads to large systematic error (see next slide)

# PQM: Tangential di-jet emission?



What is the phase space of parton pairs which yield hadrons that contribute to the away-side  $I_{AA}$ ?



Unphysical  
“second  
channel”  
introduced by  
reweighting!!!

Dainese, Loizides, Paic, nucl-ex/0511045



# $R_{AA}$ for non-reweighted band

Constrained quenching weights fulfill:

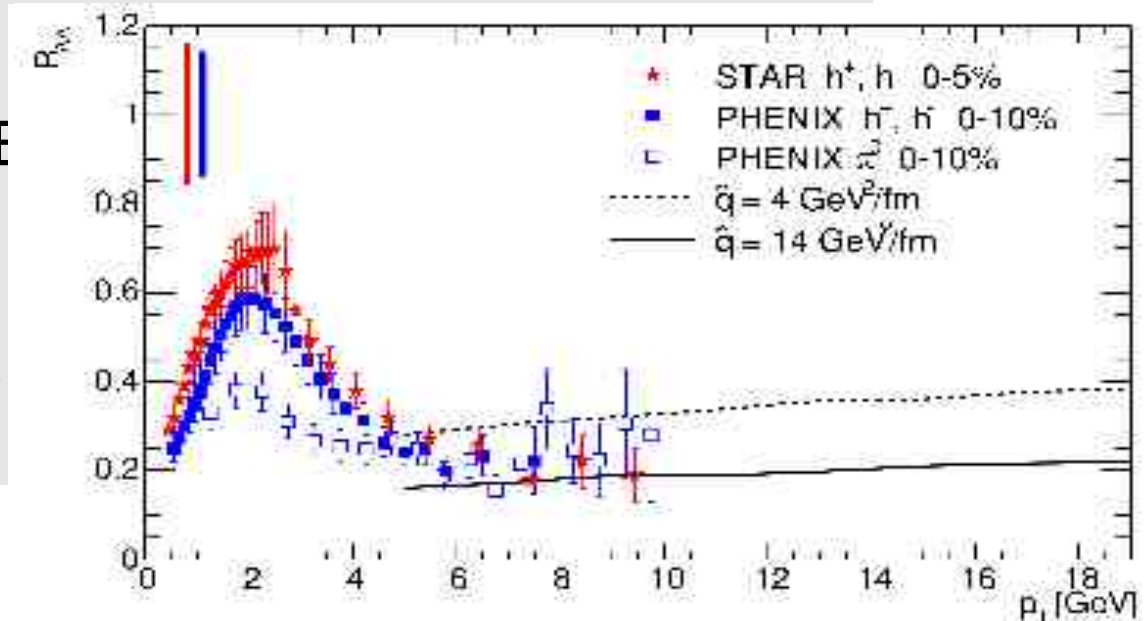
$$\lim_{E \rightarrow \infty} P^{rw}(\Delta E, E) = \lim_{E \rightarrow \infty} P^{nrw}(\Delta E, E) = P(\Delta E)$$

For dense medium:

$$\lim_{L \text{ or } \hat{q} \rightarrow \infty} P^{nrw}(\Delta E=0, E)$$

However,

$$\lim_{L \text{ or } \hat{q} \rightarrow \infty} P^{rw}(\Delta E, E) >$$

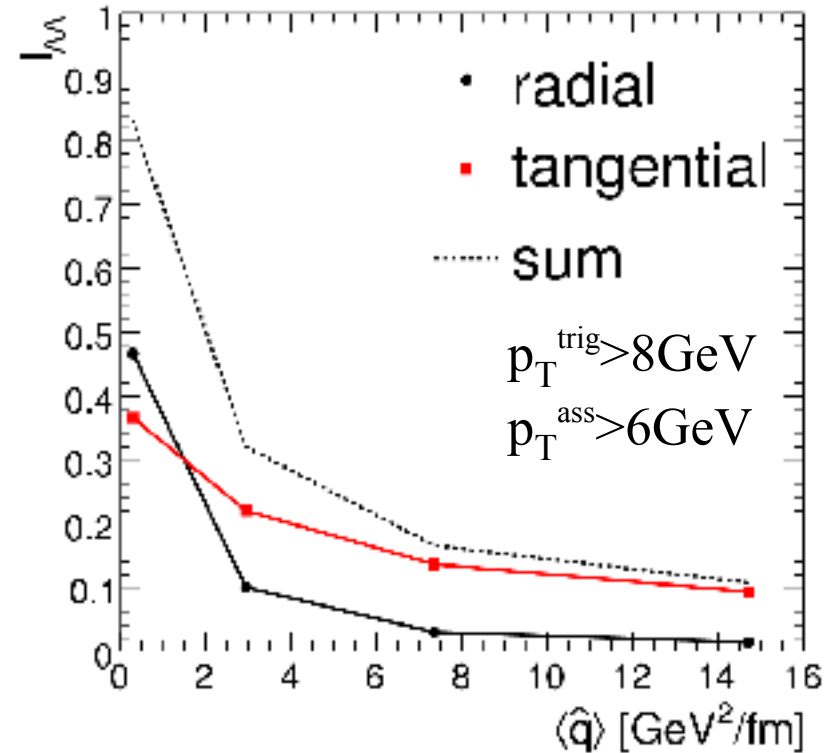
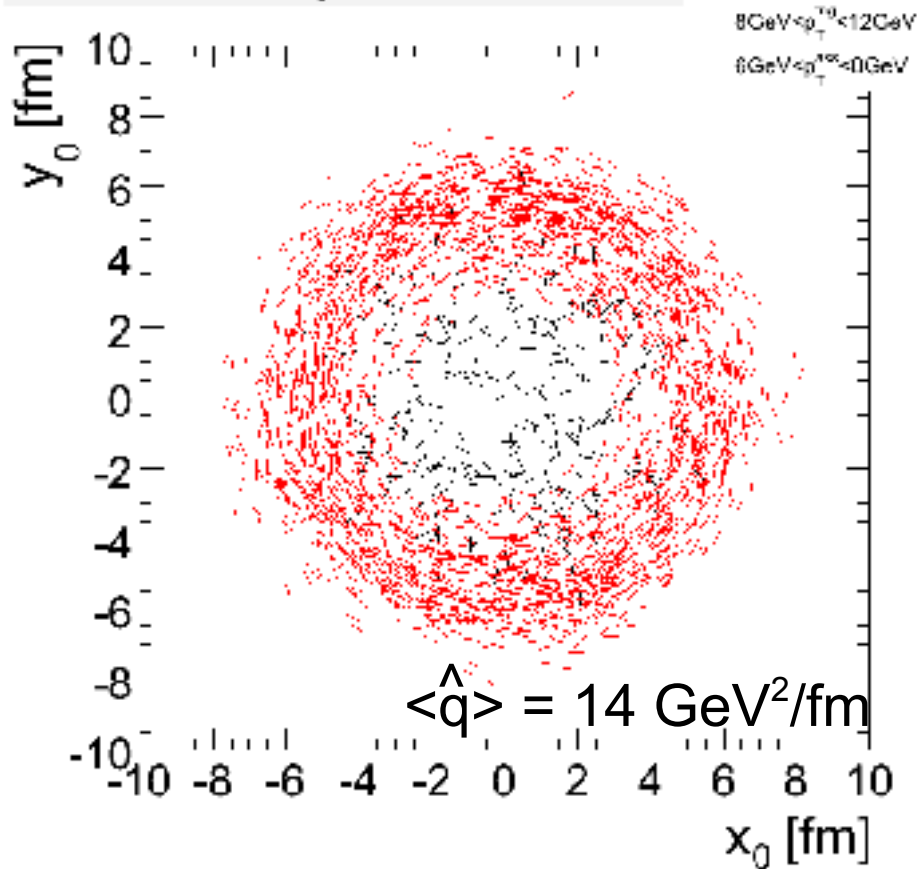


**Use non-reweighted only**

$$\langle \hat{q} \rangle = 4 - 14 \text{ GeV}^2/\text{fm}$$

# PQM: Tangential di-jet emission?

Parton emission points and direction



Radial (black): one jet crosses inner core of  $R=2.5$  fm

Tangential (red) lines: none of the jets crosses inner core



Large medium density biases dijets towards edges of surface (“tangential emission”)

Müller, PRC67 (2003) 061901.

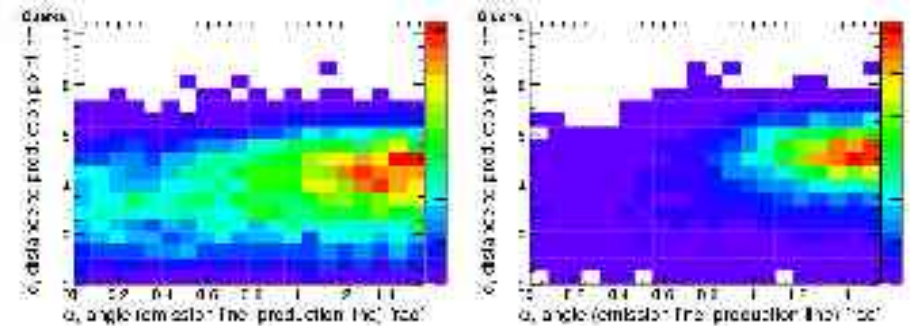
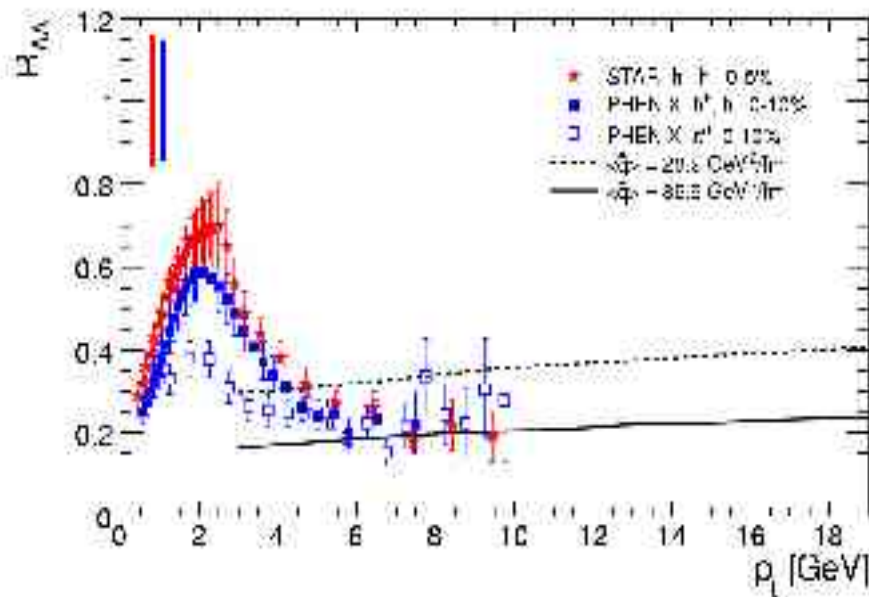
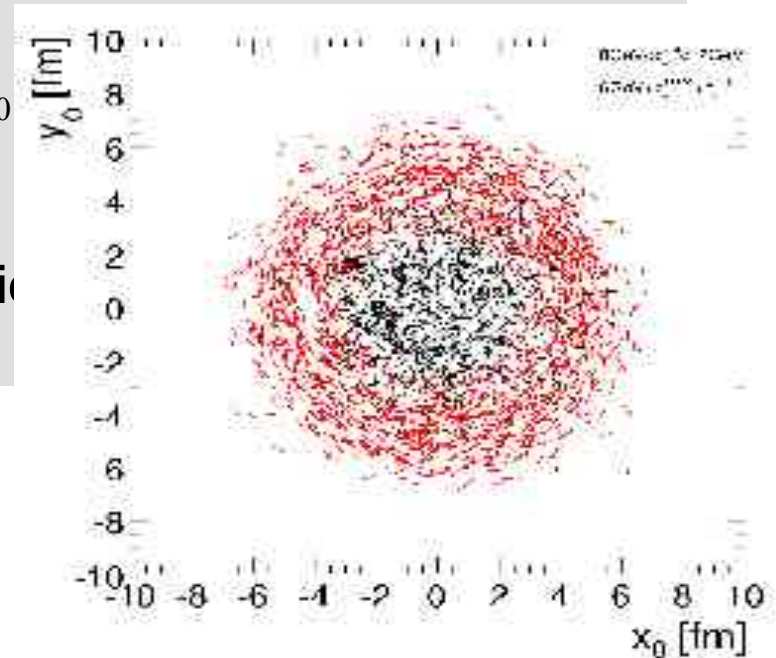
Dainese, Loizides, Paic, QM 2005 Poster.

# Static scenario vs. Bjorken expansion

- Define time-dependent “local” transport coefficient

$$\hat{q}(\xi; x_0, y_0, \phi_0; \mathbf{b}) = \left( \frac{\tau_0}{\tau_0 + \xi} \right)^\alpha \times k \times T_A T_B(x_0, y_0, \phi_0; \mathbf{b})$$


- So far,  $\alpha = 1$  in one-dim Bjorken expansion

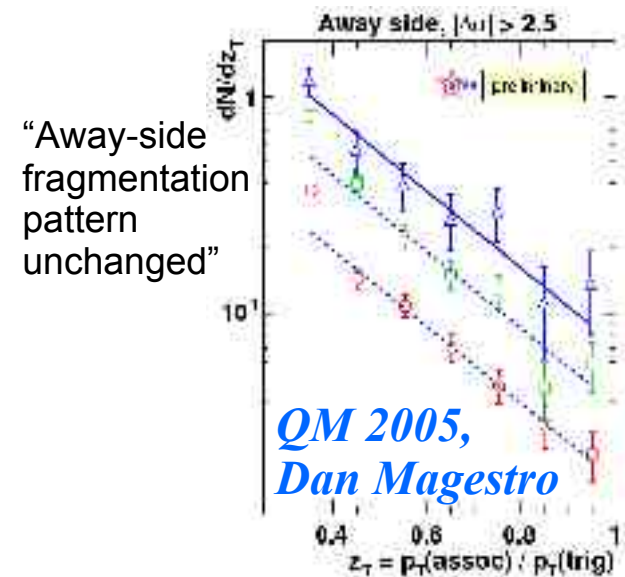


**➔ No qualitative change**

# Static scenario vs. Bjorken expansion

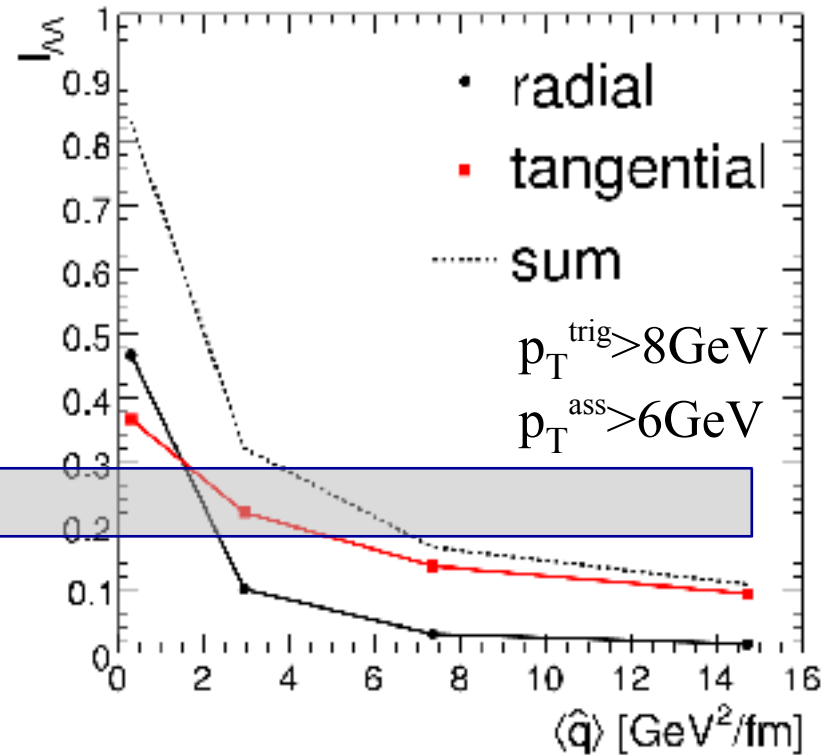
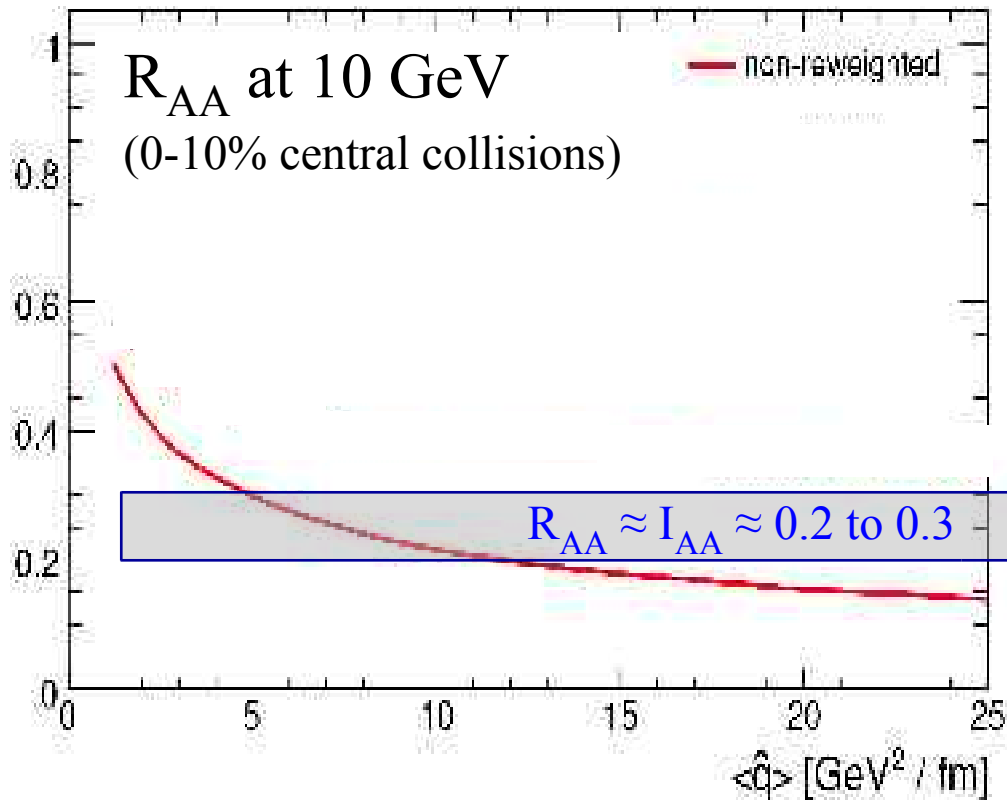
	Static	1-dim Bjorken $a = 1$
Medium	7 GeV <sup>2</sup> /fm	58 GeV <sup>2</sup> /fm
$R_{AA}$ (10GeV)	0.25	0.25
IAA (highest cuts)	0.13	0.16
dE/dx (all partons)	2 GeV/fm	4-5 GeV/fm
dE/dx (all survivors)	200-300 MeV/fm	200-300 MeV/fm
dE/dx (away jet)	20 MeV/fm	40 MeV/fm


**Due to the trigger bias, the energy loss the surviving partons suffered is of the order of cold nuclear matter. Dijets essentially emerge in vacuum.**



Dainese, Loizides, Paic, nucl-ex/0511045

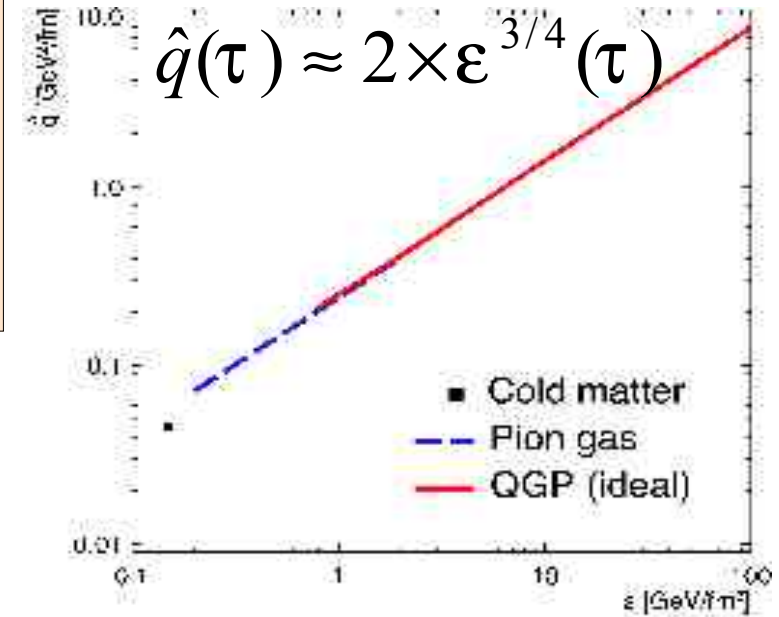
# PQM: Putting pieces together



➔ Consistently  $R_{AA}$  and  $I_{AA}$   
 $\langle \hat{q} \rangle = 4 - 8 \text{ GeV}^2/\text{fm}$

# The opacity problem

- To what extent do we probe the medium?  
And to what extent do we control the probe?
- Need to relate extracted  $\hat{q}$  to energy density  $\epsilon$
- QCD estimate for ideal QGP:  $c^{\text{pQCD}} = 2$



- Estimate  $c = \frac{q(\tau_0)}{\epsilon(\tau_0)^{4/3}}$
- using  $\hat{q}(\tau) = \hat{q}_0 \times \left(\frac{\tau_0}{\tau}\right)^\alpha$
- and  $\bar{\hat{q}} = \frac{2}{L^2} \int_{\tau_0}^{L+\tau_0} d\tau (\tau - \tau_0) \hat{q}(\tau)$
- For  $\epsilon(\tau_0) \leq 100 \text{ GeV}/\text{fm}^3$
- and  $0.75 < \alpha < 1$

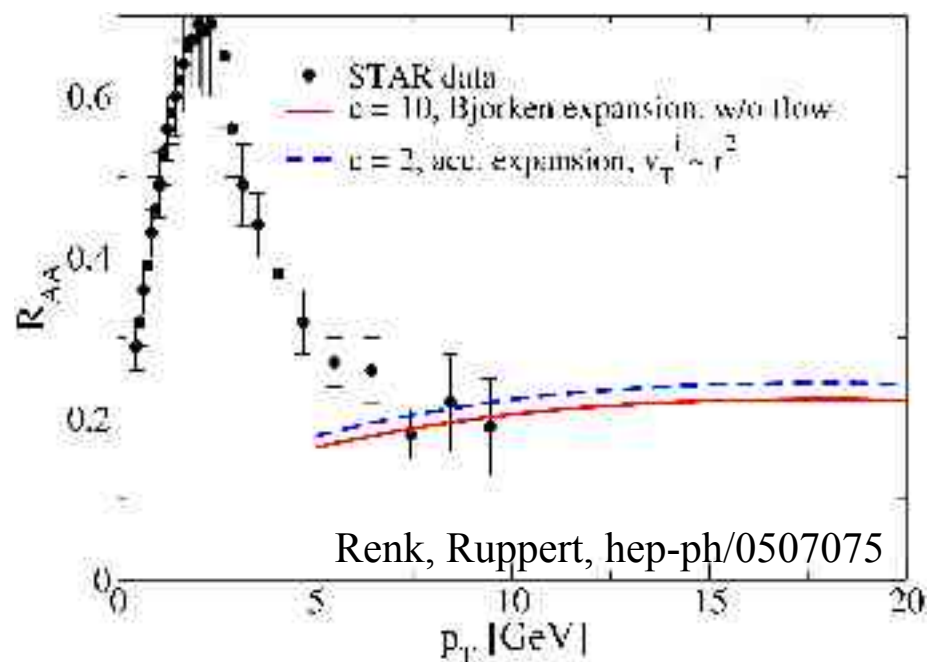
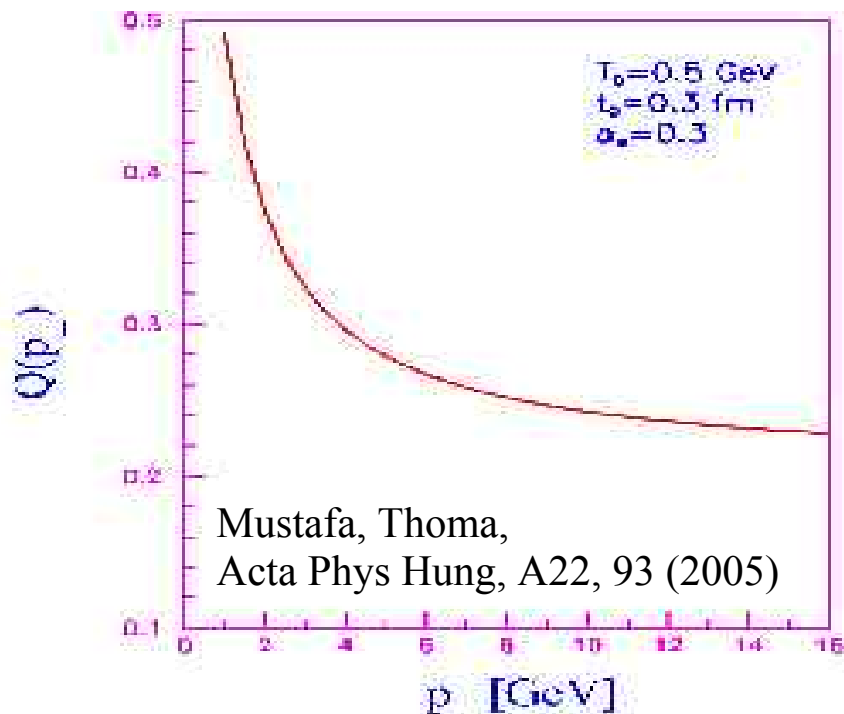
➔  $c = 8 \dots 20$

**The interaction of the hard parton with the medium is much stronger than (perturbatively) expected**

R.Baier, Nucl. Phys. A715 (2003) 209

Escola, Honkanen, Salgado, Wiedemann, NPA747 (2005) 511.

# The opacity problem (2)



- Collisional energy
  - Boltzmann Transport
  - Bjorken Expansion
- Cylinder geometry used
  - Realistic geometry ?
- Transverse flow
- Local transport coefficient
 
$$\langle \hat{q} \rangle = c \epsilon^{3/4} (T^{n_T} T^{n-T})$$
- Fireball model for expansion (transverse and longitudinal)

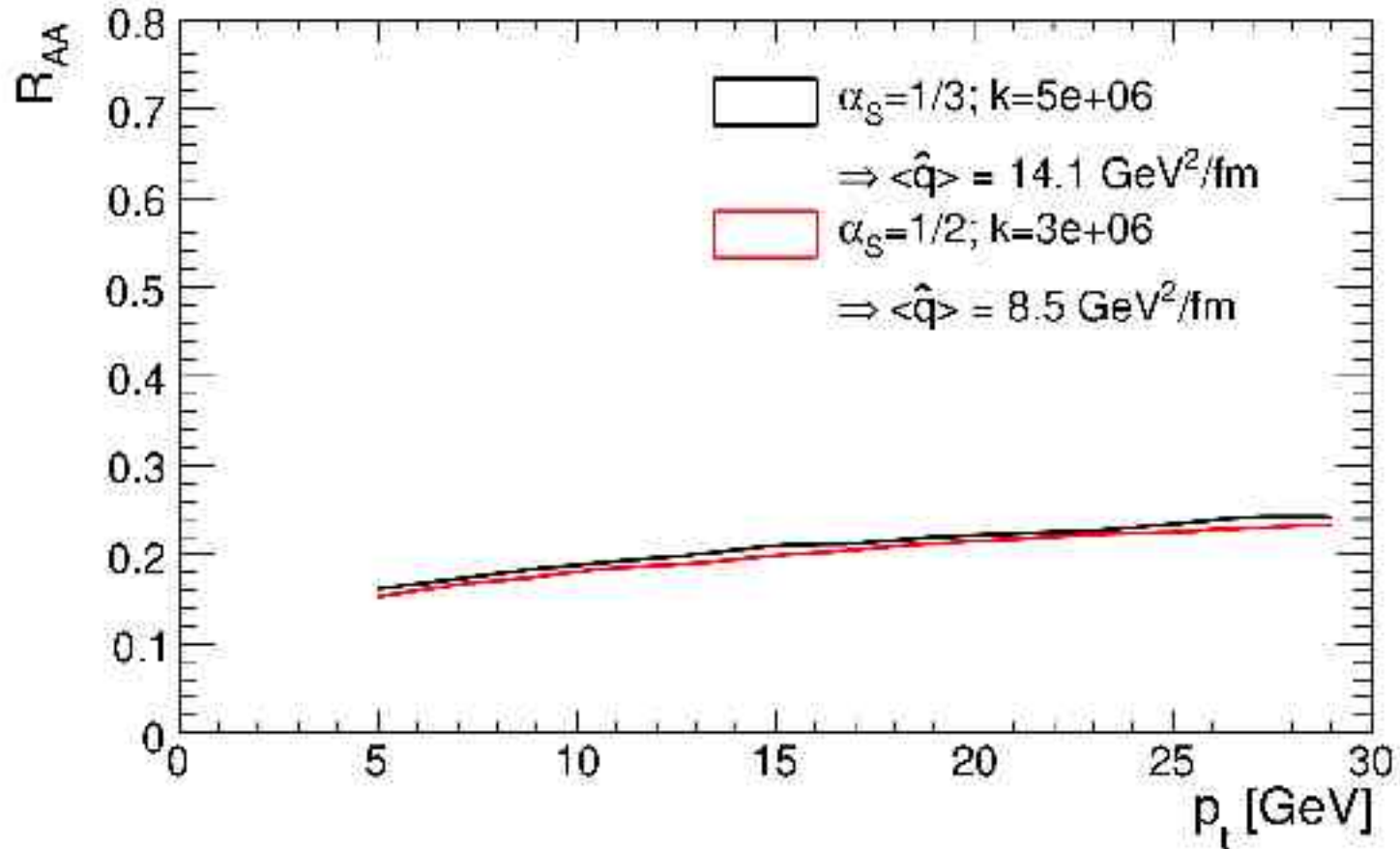
# Summary

- Parton Quenching Model
  - BDMPS framework with Glauber geometry
  - Simple model with one single parameter
  - Quite consistently describes most high- $p_T$  RHIC data
  - Reveals trigger biases in  $R_{AA}$  and  $I_{AA}$ 
    - Dijets emerge in vacuum; its fragmentation properties are unaltered.
- Recent data shown at QM 2005 constrains
  - Light probes  $\langle \hat{q} \rangle = 4 - 8 \text{ GeV}^2/\text{fm}$
  - Heavy probes  $\langle \hat{q} \rangle = 4 - 14 \text{ GeV}^2/\text{fm}$  (see Armesto et.al, hep-ph/0511257)
- Opacity problem:
  - Need to include collisional energy loss?
  - Need to include transverse flow?
  - Need to include hadronic rescattering?



# Backup Slides

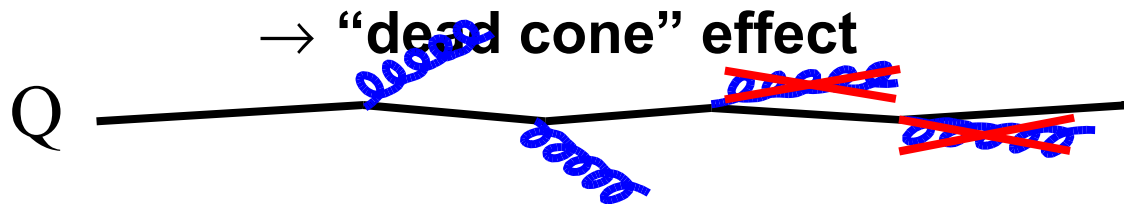
# Change to larger $\alpha_S$



# Lower E loss for heavy quarks ?

Courtesy by  
A.Dainese

- In vacuum, gluon radiation suppressed at  $\theta < m_Q/E_Q$



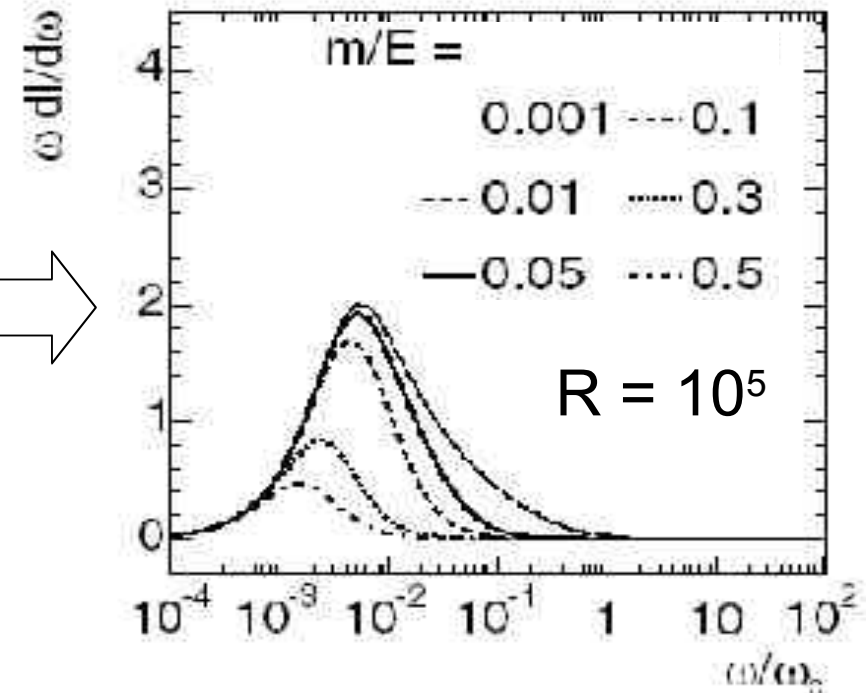
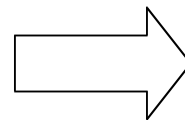
Gluonsstrahlung probability

$$\propto \frac{1}{[\theta^2 + (m_Q/E_Q)^2]^2}$$

- Dead cone implies lower energy loss* (Dokshitzer-Kharzeev, 2001):
  - energy distribution  $\omega \, dI/d\omega$  of radiated gluons suppressed by angle-dependent factor
  - suppress high- $\omega$  tail

Detailed massive calculation confirms this qualitative feature

(Armesto, Salgado, Wiedemann, PRD 69 (2004) 114003)

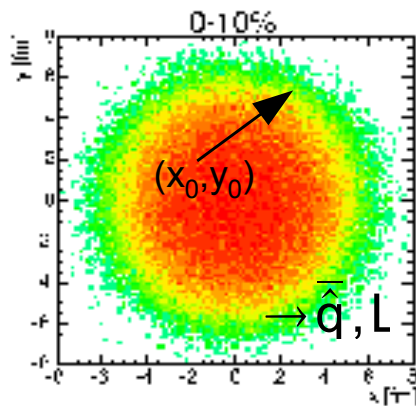


Dokshitzer, Khoze, Troyan, JPG 17 (1991) 1602.  
Dokshitzer and Kharzeev, PLB 519 (2001) 199.

# Implementation in PQM

Tuned pythia, CTEQ4L, EKS98  
or FNLLO, CTEQ6L

Input  
 $C_R, p_T$

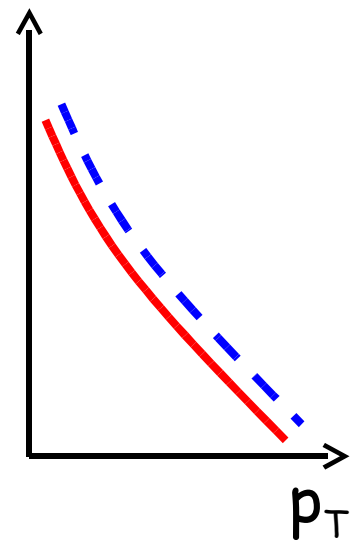


$$P(\Delta E; C_R, m, \bar{q}, L, p_T)$$

$p_T$

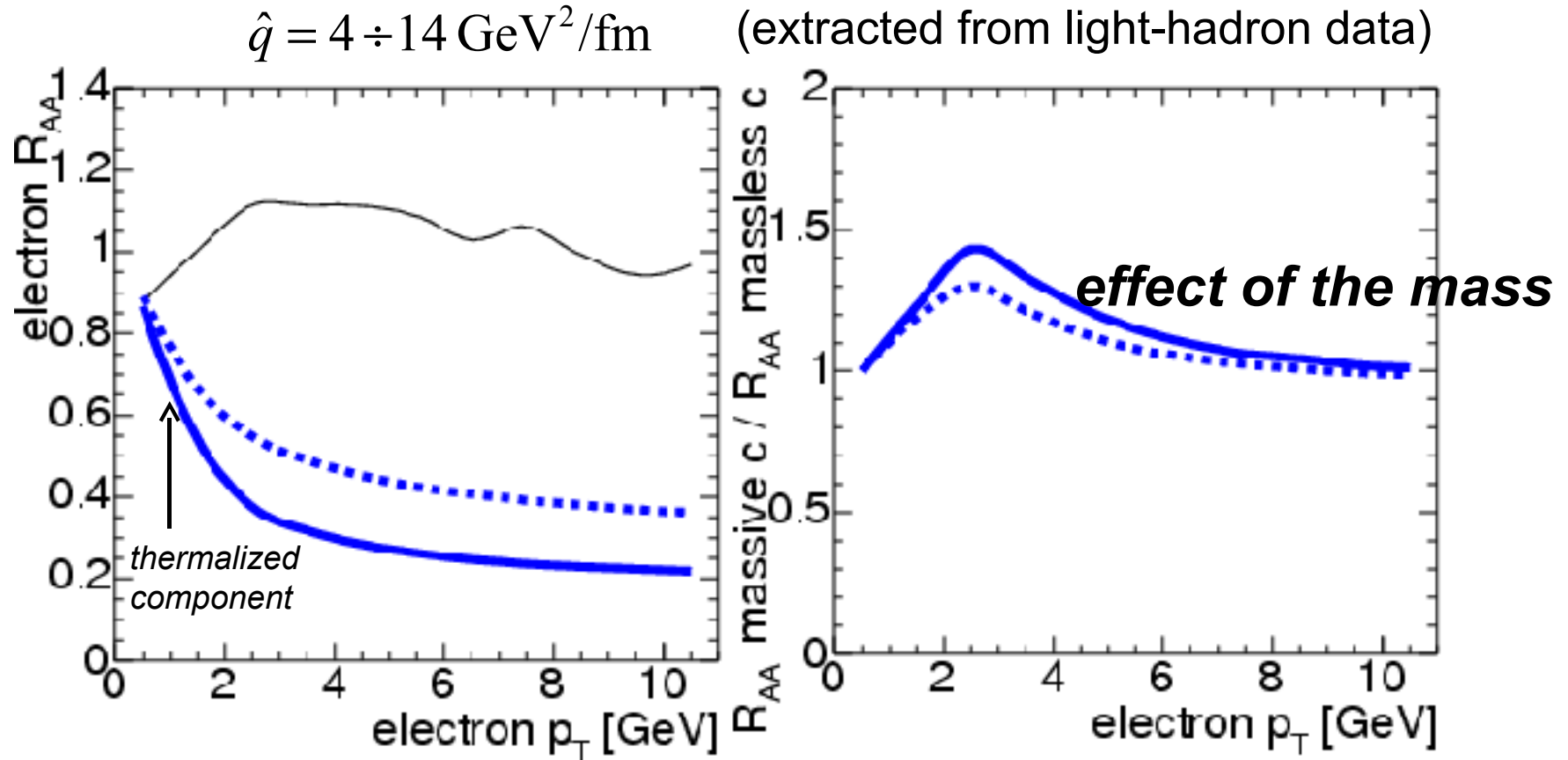
$p_T - \Delta E$

KKP fragmentation



# Charm $R_{AA}$ at RHIC

Courtesy by  
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**Small effect of mass for charm ( $\sim 50\%$  for D,  $\sim 30\%$  for e) at low  $p_T$  [large uncertainties!]**

**Basically no effect in “safe”  $p_T$ -region**

Armesto, Dainese, Salgado, Wiedemann, PRD 71 (2005) 054027.

# Role of beauty at RHIC?

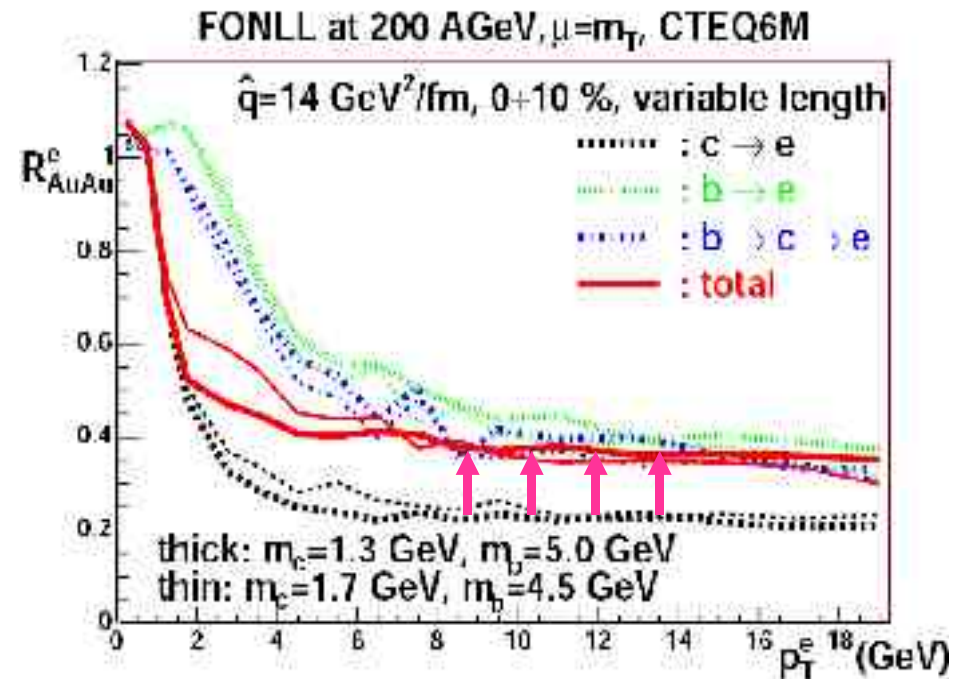
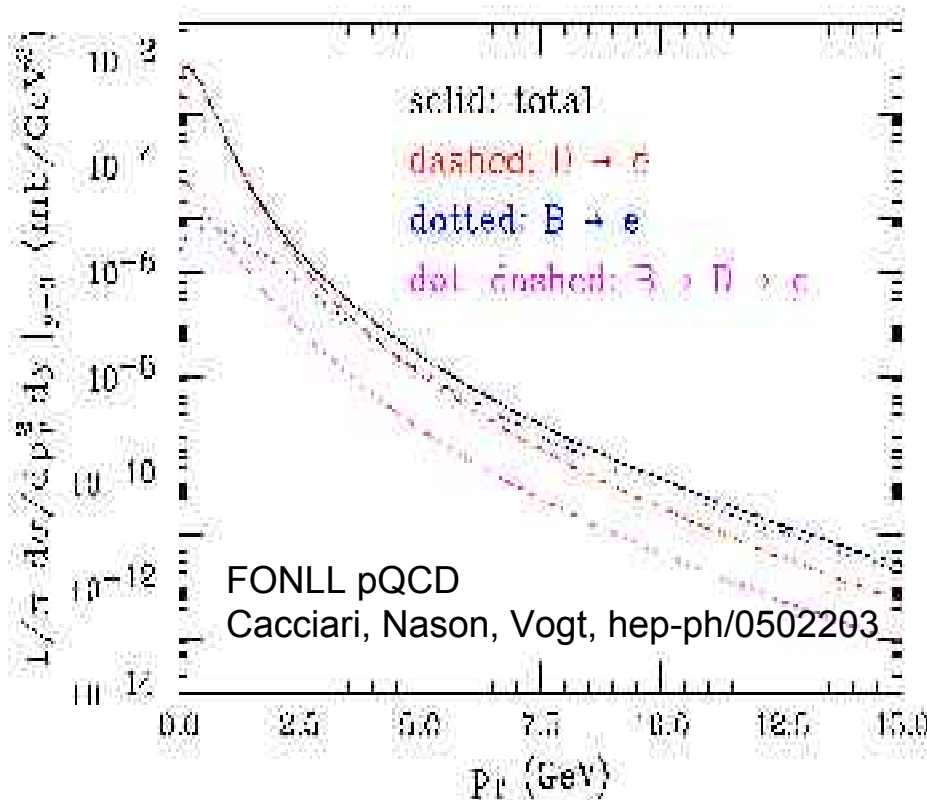
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$c + b$  (?) decay  $e^\pm R_{AA}$  at RHIC

FONLL:

Electron spectrum may be  
~50% charm + ~50% beauty  
for  $3 < p_T < 8$  GeV

Due to larger mass of b quark  
electron  $R_{AA}$  increased by  $\times 2$   
(mass uncertainty also studied)

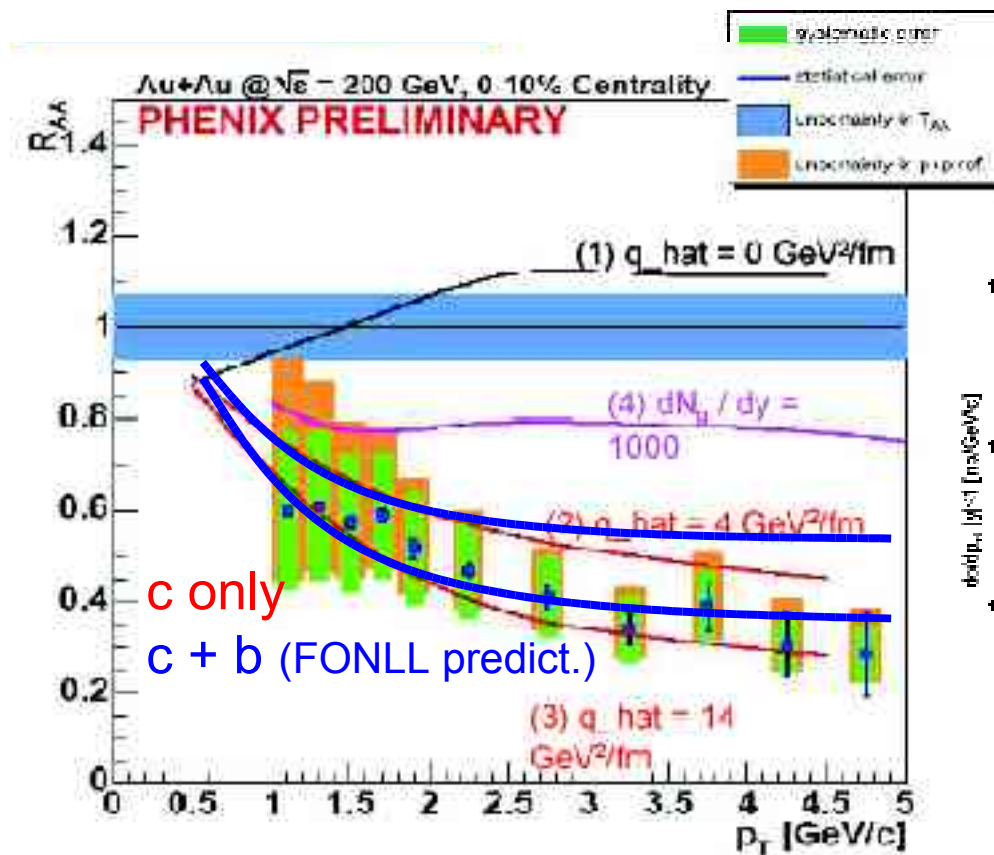


Armesto, Cacciari, Dainese, Salgado, Wiedemann,  
in preparation,

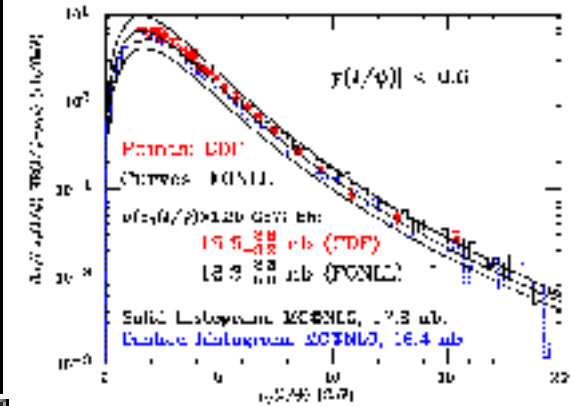
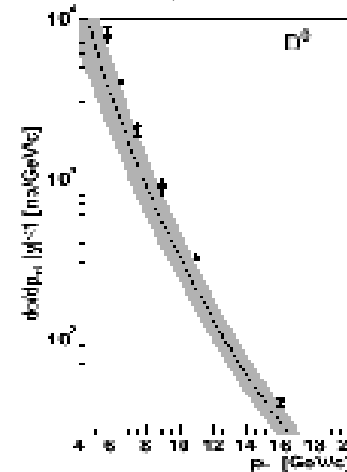
Armesto @ Quark Matter 05

# Heavy-flavour data in Au-Au 200 GeV

Courtesy by  
A.Dainese



Reminder: FONLL@Tevatron:  
D production underpredicted  
B, instead, is OK



$R_{AA}$  down to 0.3 for  $p_T > 4$  GeV/c! Heavy-quark quenching.  
Similar to that of light! Small room for mass effect ...

**Comparison to predictions: compatible, provided the charm fraction is higher than predicted by FONLL**

Armesto, Dainese, Salgado, Wiedemann, PRD 71 (2005) 054027 + w/Cacciari, in preparation