



Exploring different high-p_ parton energy loss scenarios in pre-equilibrium QCD matter

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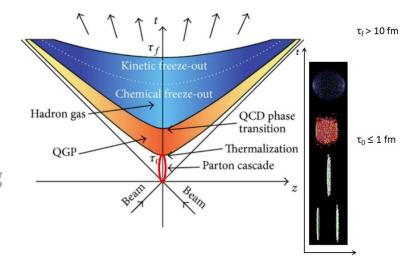
The pre-equilibrium stage of quark-gluon plasma

- The dynamics of early evolution and hydrodynamization of QGP - one of the major sources of uncertainty in HIC studies
- Traditionally, low-p $_{\perp}$ sector ($p_{\perp} \le 5$ GeV) is used to study bulk medium properties and the pre-equilibrium stages of the QGP
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- P. Romatschke EPJC 75, 305 (2015);
- G. Aad et al., JHEP 1311, 183 (2013)
- H. Niemi, G. S. Denicol, H. Holopainen and
- P. Huovinen, PRC 87, 054901 (2013)

Kurkela, A. Mazeliauskas, J. F. Paquet, S. Schlichting

and D. Teaney, PRL 122, 122302 (2019)

Y. Akamatsu, Nucl. Phys. A 1005, 122000 (2021)



• Commonly, rare high-p $_{\perp}$ probes ($p_{\perp} \geq 5$ GeV) are utilized for studying the nature of jet-medium interaction

High-p⊥ observables as a novel tool for PE studies

- High p⊥ partons effectively probe QGP properties, which in turn depend on early QGP states.
- A wealth of high-p⊥ experimental data is available.

JHEP 1811, 013; JHEP 1704, 039; ATLAS-CONF-2017-012; JHEP 1807, 103; PLB 776, 195; EPJC 78, 997.

IJMPCS 46, 1860018; NPPP 289–290, 249; PRL 120, 102301; PRL 120, 202301. NPPP 289–290, 229.

 However, to our knowledge, a model that quantitatively describes interactions of high-p⊥ particles with the medium in the pre-equilibrium stage still does not exit.

Our idea: <u>qualitatively</u> explore the strength of interactions in pre-equilibrium stage:

With this goal:

- ✓ Use our Dynamical energy loss formalism:
 - State-of-the-art energy loss in post-equilibrium, i.e., QGP phase.
 - Does <u>not use fitting parameters</u>, so it allows using **both** high- $p_1 R_{AA}$ and v_2 data to constrain the bulk properties.
 - Temperature profile is the <u>only (intrinsic)</u> input/parameter.
- ✓ Assume that this formalism is applicable to preequilibrium stage as well, though we modulate the strength of interactions by assuming different temperature profiles.

The dynamical energy loss formalism

✓ Includes:

- Finite size finite temperature QCD medium of dynamical (moving) partons
- Based on finite T field theory and generalized HTL approach

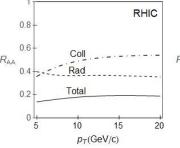
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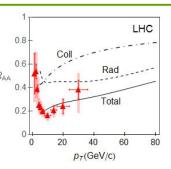
- Same theoretical framework for both radiative and collisional energy loss
- Applicable to both light and heavy flavor
- Finite magnetic mass effects M. Djordjevic and M. Djordjevic, PLB 709, 229 (2012)
- Running coupling M. Djordjevic and M. Djordjevic, PLB 734, 286 (2014)
- Relaxed soft-gluon approximation B. Blagojevic, M. Djordjevic, M. Djordjevic, PRC 99, 024901, (2019)

All ingredients necessary to accurately reproduce high- $p_{\perp} R_{\Delta\Delta}$ data!

B.Blagojevic and M. Djordjevic JPG 42, 075105 (2015) (highlighted in LabTalk)

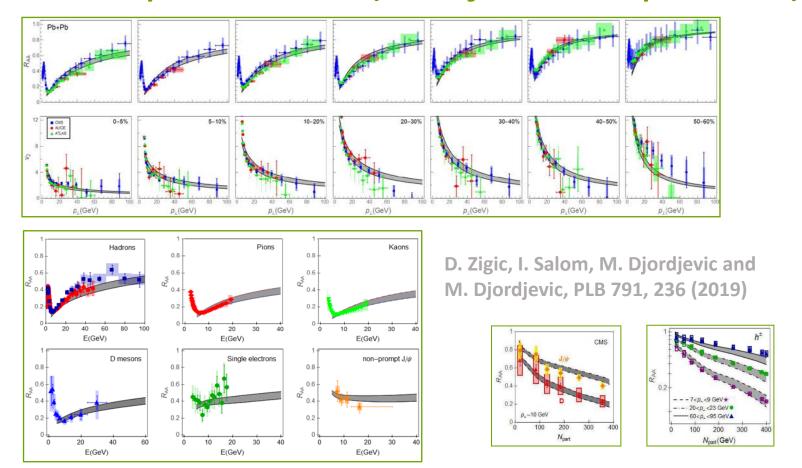






Integrated in DREENA (Dynamical Radiative and Elastic ENergy loss Approach) framework to provide predictions for high-p₁ observables.

DREENA-B predictions (1D Bjorken expansion)



Explains high-p₁ data for different probes, collision energies, and centralities.

DREENA-B is the framework that we will use in our further analysis.

Why DREENA-B?

The <u>full-fledged</u> DREENA-B (Dynamical Radiative and Elastic ENergy loss Approach + Bjorken expansion) framework, because:

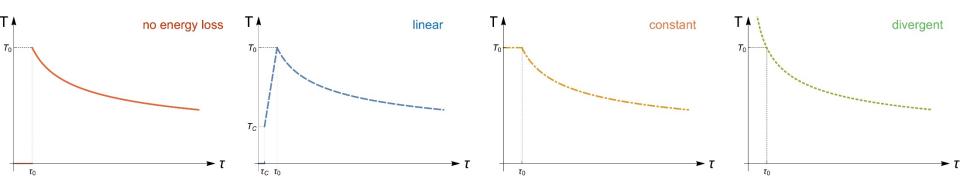
D. Zigic, I. Salom, M. Djordjevic and M. Djordjevic, PLB 791, 236 (2019)

- ✓ Dynamical energy loss formalism:
 - T is intrinsic input M. Djordjevic and M. Djordjevic, PLB 734, 286 (2014)
- ✓ Bjorken 1D: J. D. Bjorken, PRD 27, 140 (1983)
 - Is <u>analytically tractable</u>
 - Allows <u>analytical introduction</u> of different T-profiles before, and the same upon hydrodynamization
 - Is highly suitable for analytically exploring different <u>pre-equilibrium</u> energy loss scenarios

Therefore, DREENA-B provides an optimal framework for early evolution study, as it combines state-of-the-art energy loss model with fully controlled temperature profiles.

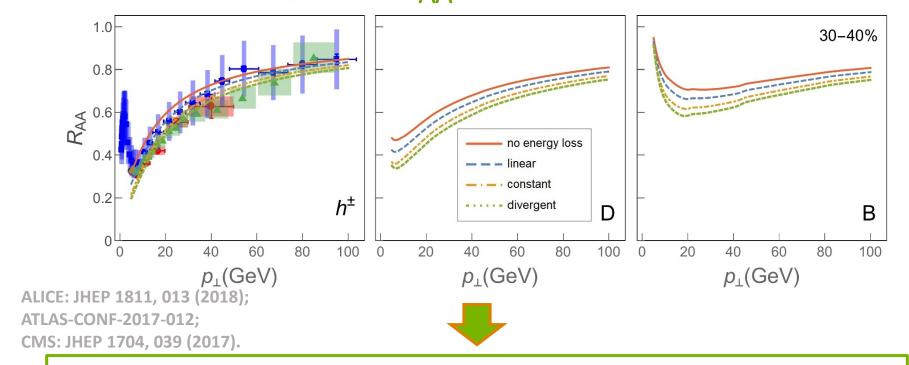
Four simple pre-equilibrium T profiles

J. Xu, A. Buzzatti and M. Gyulassy, JHEP 1408, 063 (2014)



- ✓ The same 1D Bjorken T profile after hydrodynamization, but differ for $\tau < \tau_0 = 0.6$ fm: PRD 90,094503 (2014)
- a) No energy loss (T=0) in pre-equilibrium stage
- b) Linear, linearly increasing T from T_c =160 MeV to T_o =391 MeV (30-40% 5.02 TeV Pb+Pb)
- c) Constant, $T=T_0$
- d) Divergent, Bjorken expansion from the beginning $(\tau = 0) \rightarrow$ the largest energy loss in pre-equilibrium stage

Sensitivity of high- p_{\perp} R_{AA} to PE energy loss scenarios



High-p⊥ R_{AA} is notably affected by the presumed PE energy loss scenarios, due to difference in energy loss.



However, higher-precision measurements are required to allow distinguishing between these different scenarios.

Explanation of R_{AA} results through analytical estimate

✓ R_{AA} is shown to be sensitive only to the averaged properties of the evolving medium

$$1 - R_{AA} \sim \frac{\Delta E}{E} \sim \overline{T}^a \qquad a \approx$$

S. Stojku, B. Ilic, M. $a \approx 1.2$ Djordjevic and M. Djordjevic, PRC 103, 024908 (2021)

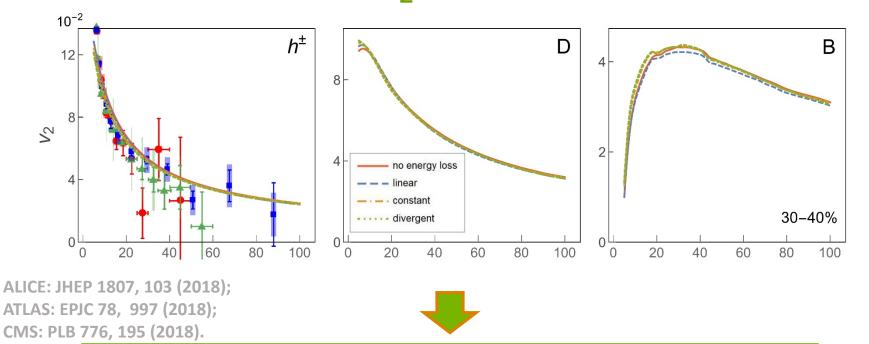
Analytical estimate, but for all predictions we apply full-fledged numerical calculations!

- D. Zigic, I. Salom, M. Djordjevic and M. Djordjevic, PLB 791, 236 (2019)
- T. Renk, PRC 85, 044903 (2012)
- D. Molnar and D. Sun, NPA 932, 140 (2014); 910-911, 486 (2013)



Different Ts for four PE scenarios result in different R_{AA} s.

Sensitivity of high- $p_{\perp} v_2$ to PE energy loss scenarios

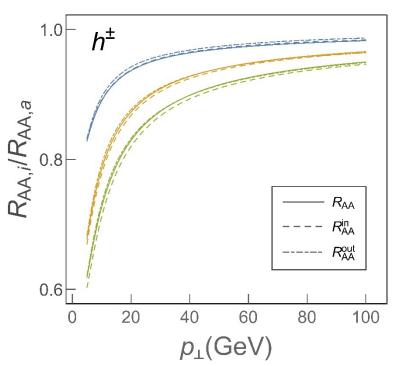


v₂ is insensitive to the pre-equilibrium stages!



High-p_{\(\psi\)} v₂ is unable to differentiate between different early time evolution scenarios!

Quantitative explanation of the obtained results



$$R_{AA} \approx \frac{R_{AA}^{in} + R_{AA}^{out}}{2}$$

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 $v_2 \approx \frac{1}{2} \frac{R_{AA}^{in} - R_{AA}^{out}}{R_{AA}^{in} + R_{AA}^{out}}$

JHEP 1408, 063

- Blue = Linear/No energy loss
- Orange = Constant/No energy loss
 Green = Divergent/No energy loss

Sets of

Proportionality functions: i = lin, const, div

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$$\gamma_i = rac{R_{AA,i}}{R_{AA,nel}} \quad \gamma_i^{in} = rac{R_{AA,i}^{in}}{R_{AA,nel}^{in}} \quad \gamma_i^{out} = rac{R_{AA,i}^{out}}{R_{AA,nel}^{out}}$$



$$\gamma_i^{in} \approx \gamma_i^{out} \approx \gamma_i$$

 $\forall i \in \{Blue, Orange, Green\}$



$$R_{AA,i} \approx \frac{\gamma_i (R_{AA,nel}^{in} + R_{AA,nel}^{out})}{2} = \gamma_i R_{AA,nel}$$

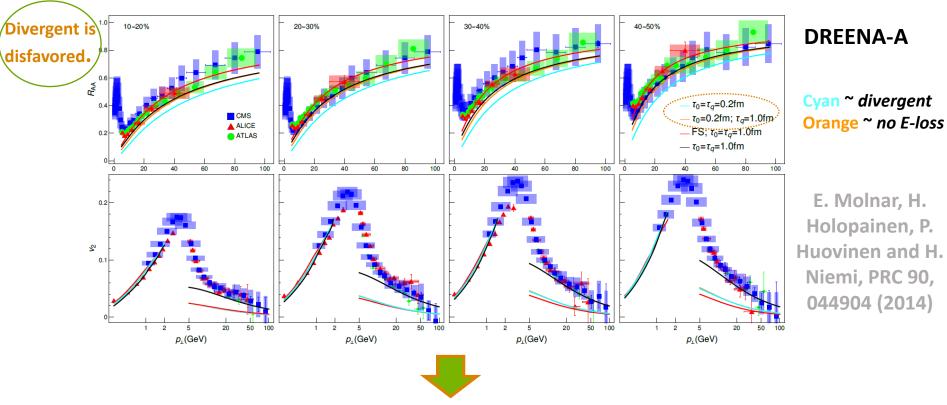




$$|v_{2,i}| \approx \frac{1}{2} \frac{\gamma_i (R_{AA,nel}^{in} - R_{AA,nel}^{out})}{\gamma_i (R_{AA,nel}^{in} + R_{AA,nel}^{out})} = v_{2,nel}$$

What about a sophisticated hydrodynamical model?

S. Stojku, J. Auvinen, M. Djordjevic, P. Huovinen and M. Djordjevic, arXiv: 2008.08987



Even when a sophisticated bulk evolution model is employed, R_{AA} and not v₂ displays sensitivity to the pre-equilibrium energy loss!

Conclusions

- The pre-equilibrium dynamics of QGP evolution is still an ongoing challenge, with major insight provided by low-p₁ sector.
- We proposed to utilize high-p particles energy loss, as a complementary tool, to elucidate these early stages of QGP evolution.
- We employed our state-of-the-art dynamical energy loss formalism embedded in simple 1D Bjorken medium expansion: DREENA-B framework, to test four straightforward distinct scenarios, ranging from none to very large energy loss in pre-equilibrium stage.
- Thus obtained high-p₁ R_{AA} and v_2 predictions for h^{\pm} , D and B mesons are compared with 5.02 TeV LHC data.
- Contrary to common expectations, we obtained that high-p₁ v₂ is unable to distinguish between different scenarios, being insensitive to the preequilibrium stages of medium evolution.
- High-p₁ R_{ΔΔ} is sensitive to these diverse cases, and could provide an insight in the early stages' dynamics.
- However, higher-precision measurements of high-p₁ R_{AA} are required to allow for more reliable conclusions through this observable.

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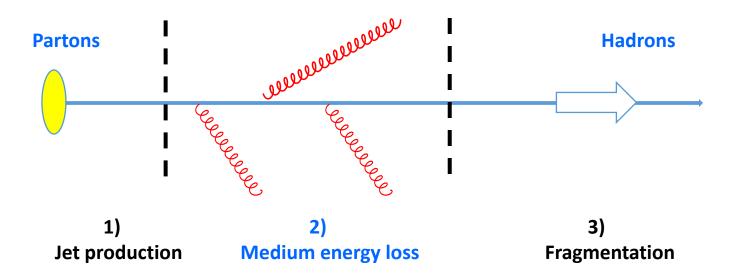


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Thank you for your attention!

Backup

Computational scheme for jet suppression



- 1) Initial momentum distributions
- 2) Energy loss calculation
- 3) Fragmentation function

Computational framework

$$\frac{E_f d^3 \sigma}{d p_f^3} = \frac{E_i d^3 \sigma(Q)}{d p_i^3} \otimes P(E_i \to E_f) \otimes D(Q \to H_Q)$$

Light and heavy flavor production

Z.B. Kang, I. Vitev, H. Xing, PLB 718:482 (2012); R. Sharma, I. Vitev, and B. W. Zhang, PRC 80, 054902 (2009)

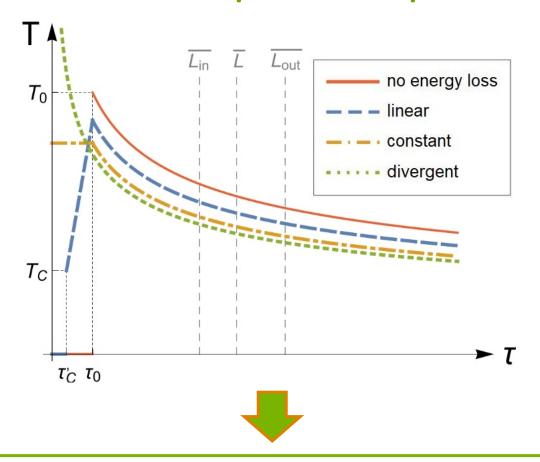
- Dynamical energy loss in a finite size QCD medium
 M. Djordjevic and M. Djordjevic, PLB 734, 286 (2014)
- Multi-gluon fluctuations
 M. Gyulassy, P. Levai, I. Vitev, PLB 538,282 (2002)
- Path-length fluctuations

A. Dainese, EPJ C33:495 (2004); S. Wicks, W. Horowitz, M. Djordjevic and M. Gyulassy, NPA 784, 426 (2007); D. Zigic, I. Salom, J. Auvinen, M. Djordjevic and M. Djordjevic, JPG 46, 085101 (2019)

Fragmentation for light and heavy flavor

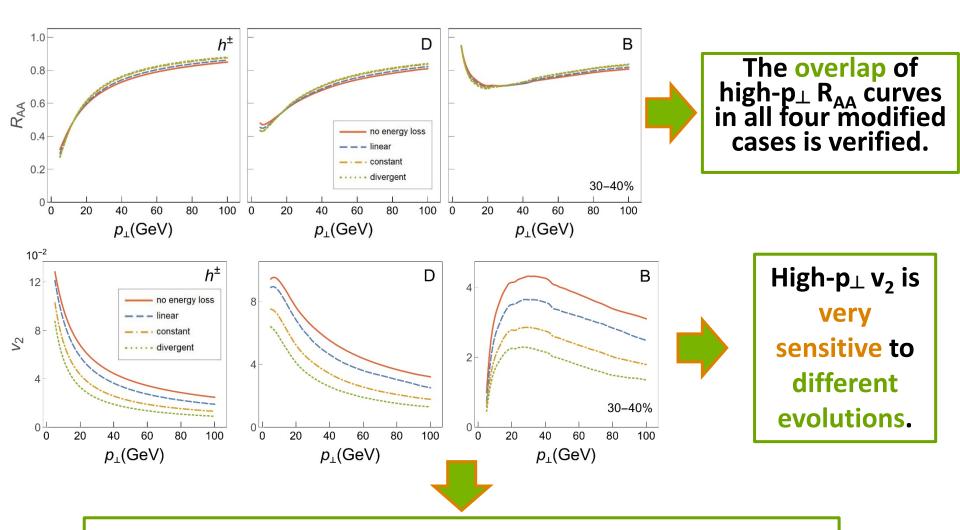
<u>DSS:</u> D. de Florian, R. Sassot, M. Stratmann, PRD 75:114010 (2007); <u>BCFY:</u> E. Braaten, K.-M. Cheung, S. Fleming, and T. C. Yuan, PRD 51, 4819 (1995); M. Cacciari, P. Nason, JHEP 0309: 006 (2003) <u>KLP:</u> V. G. Kartvelishvili, A. K. Likhoded, and V. A. Petrov, PLB 78, 615 (1978)

Modified temperature profiles



Modified T-profile cases differ not only at initial stages, but represent different evolutions altogether!

Sensitivity of high- $p_{\perp} v_{2}$ to modified T profiles



The highest v_2 is observed in no energy loss case.

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Sensitivity of high- $p_{\perp} v_2$ to modified T profiles

v₂ is very sensitive to these different evolutions.





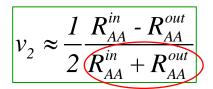
Why is v₂ affected by these modified T-profile cases?

Are the initial stages at the origin of these v₂ discrepancies?

D. Zigic, B. Ilic, M. Djordjevic and M. Djordjevic, Phys. Rev. C 101, 064909 (2020)

Why is high- $p_{\perp} v_2$ affected by modified T profiles?

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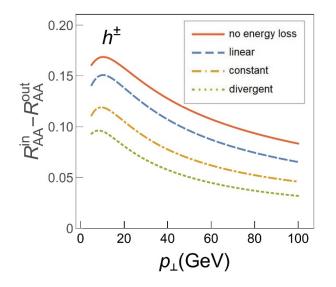




R_{AA} practically unchanged.



$$v_2 \sim R_{AA}^{in} - R_{AA}^{out}$$



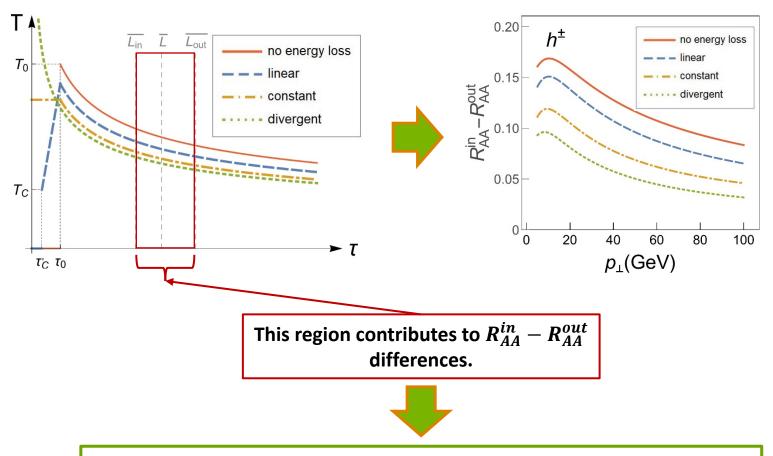


The same curve ordering as for high- $p_{\perp} v_2$.



 $R_{AA}^{in} - R_{AA}^{out}$ differences are responsible for high-p_{\perp} v₂ discrepancies.

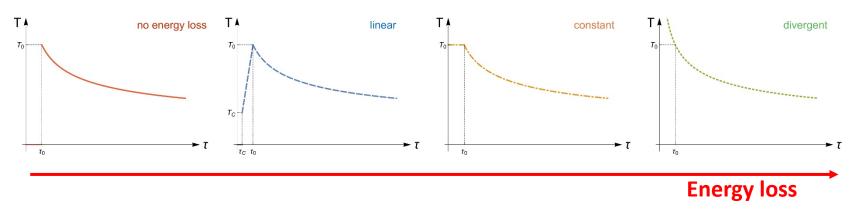
Is PE responsible for high- $p_{\perp} v_2$ discrepancies?



Large v_2 sensitivity originates from interactions of high- p_{\perp} parton

with thermalized QGP, and not the initial stages!

Fitting energy loss parameters to high-p⊥ R_{AA} experimental data



JHEP 1408, 090 (2014), PRL 116, 252301 (2016), PLB 803, 135318 (2020), PRC 96, 064903 (2017), PRC 95, 044901 (2017), PRC 96, 024909 (2017)

Fitting the energy loss (multiplicative fitting factor), to reproduce the high- p_{\perp} $R_{\Delta\Delta}$ data, individually for different initial stages

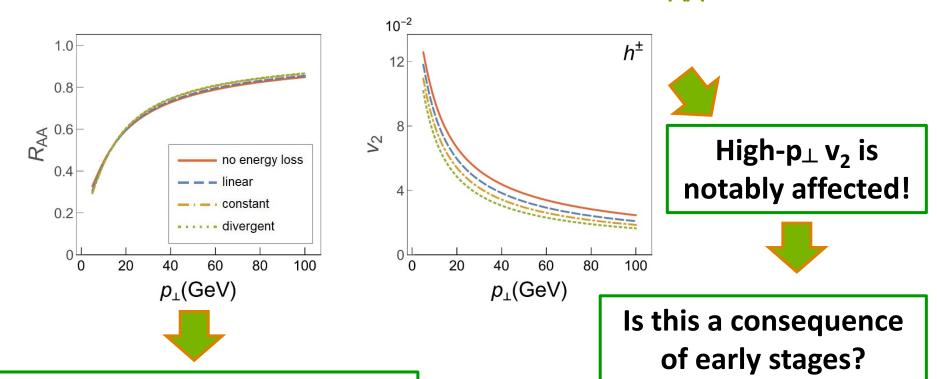
An additional fitting factor $C_i^{fit}(p_{\perp})$ is introduced in our full-fledged calculations.



Best fits to $R_{AA,nel}$ yield:

	T profile case	C_i^{fit}
]	No E-loss case (a)	1
	Linear case (b)	0.87
	Constant case (c)	0.74
	Divergent case (d)	0.67

Sensitivity of <u>fitted</u> high-p_⊥ R_{AA} to IS



High- p_{\perp} R_{AA}s are overlapping.





C. Andres, N. Armesto, H. Niemi, R. Paatelainen and C. A. Salgado, PLB 803, 135318 (2020)

Inconsistent with our previous analysis and also intuitive expectations that higher energy loss at PE leads to lower $R_{AA}!$

Asymptotic scaling behavior

- For quantitative explanation of the obtained results
- Assumptions:
 - Highly energetic jets
 - More peripheral collisions

$$R_{AA} \approx 1 - \xi \overline{T}^m \overline{L}^n$$

 $m \approx 1.2$ S. Stojku, B. Ilic, M. Djordjevic, M. Djordjevic arXiv:2007.07851

n ≈ 1.4 M. Djordjevic, D. Zigic, M. Djordjevic, J. Auvinen, PRC 99, 061902 (2019)

PLB 791, 236 (2019), JPG 46, 085101 (2019)

$$i = lin, const, div$$
 $R_{AA,i}^{fit} \approx 1 - C_i(p_{\perp}) \xi \overline{T}_i^m \overline{L}_i^n$
 $R_{AA,i}^{fit} = R_{AA,nel}$



$$v_{2,i}^{fit} = C_i \gamma_i v_{2,nel}$$

$$C_i, \gamma_i < 1$$

 γ_i approaches 1 at very high p_{\perp}

Differences of fitted $v_{2,i}$ compared to the *nel* case is predominantly a consequence of a decrease in the artificially imposed fitting factor.





Fitting energy loss to individual IS may result in misinterpreting the underlying physics!

J. Xu, A. Buzzatti, and M. Gyulassy, JHEP 1408, 063 (2014)
P. Christiansen, K. Tywoniuk and V. Vislavicius, PRC 89, 034912 (2014)

$$\begin{cases} R_{AA}^{\text{in}}(p_T) \approx \frac{\frac{dN_h^{AA}}{dydp_T} (1 + 2v_2 + 2v_4 \cdots)}{N_{\text{binary}} \frac{dN_h^{pp}}{dydp_T}} = R_{AA}^h (1 + 2v_2 + 2v_4 \cdots) \\ R_{AA}^{\text{out}}(p_T) = \frac{\frac{dN_h^{AA}}{dydp_T} (1 - 2v_2 - 2v_4 \cdots)}{N_{\text{binary}} \frac{dN_h^{pp}}{dydp_T}} = R_{AA}^h (1 - 2v_2 - 2v_4 \cdots) \end{cases}$$

$$v_{2} \approx \frac{1}{2} \frac{R_{AA}^{in} - R_{AA}^{out}}{R_{AA}^{in} + R_{AA}^{out}}$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}N}{\mathrm{d}\varphi} \propto 1 + 2\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} v_n \cos\left[n(\varphi - \Psi_n)\right]$$

EbyE effect on v₂

- J. Noronha-Hostler, B. Betz, J. Noronha, and M. Gyulassy, PRL 116, 252301 (2016);
- S. Shi, J. Liao, and M. Gyulassy, CPC 42, 104104 (2018); 43, 044101 (2019)
- S. Cao, L. G. Pang, T. Luo, Y. He, G. Y. Qin, and X. N. Wang, NPPP 289–290, 217 (2017)

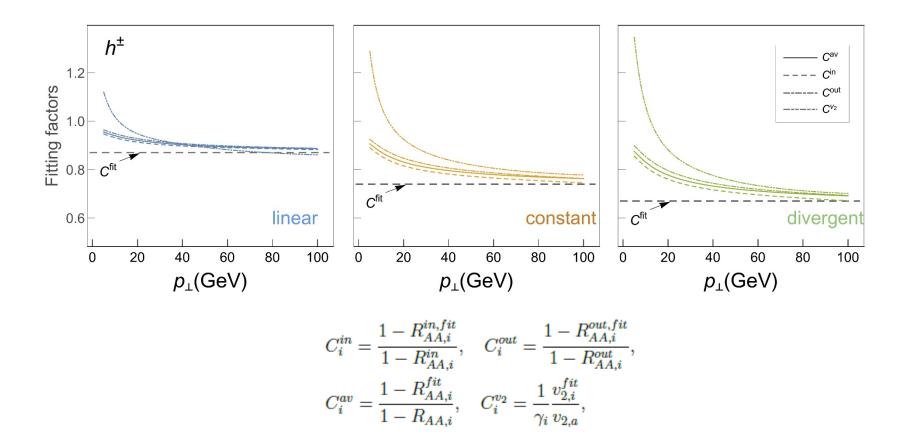
$$\Delta E/E \approx \chi \overline{T}^m \overline{L}^n,$$

$$R_{AA} \approx 1 - \frac{l-2}{2} \frac{\Delta E}{E} = 1 - \xi \overline{T}^m \overline{L}^n$$

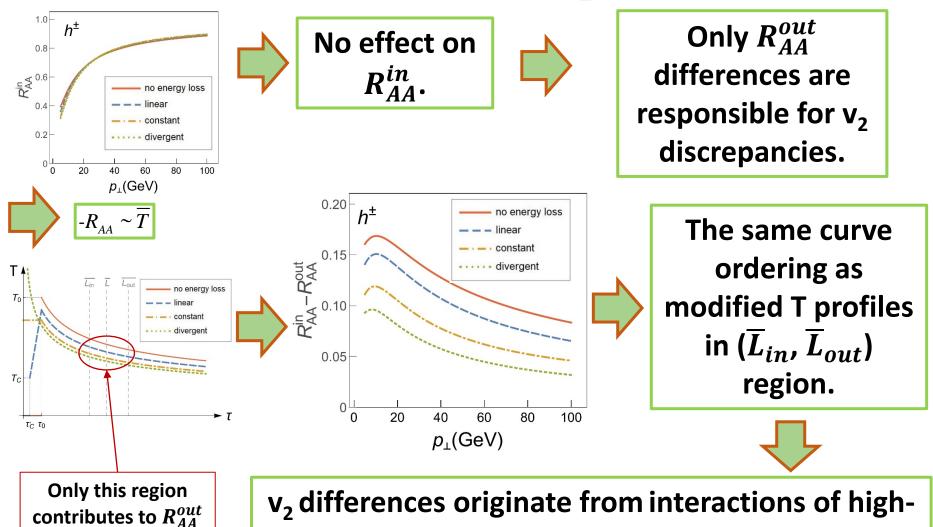
$$R_{AA,i}^{fit} \approx 1 - C_i \xi \overline{T}_i^m \overline{L}_i^n \approx 1 - C_i (1 - R_{AA,i})$$

$$C_i \approx \frac{1 - R_{AA,i}^{fit}}{1 - R_{AA,i}}$$

$$C_i \approx \frac{v_{2,i}^{fit}}{\gamma_{ia} v_{2,a}}$$



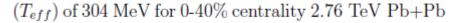
Is IS responsible for high- $p_{\perp} v_2$ discrepancies?



differences.

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p⊥ parton

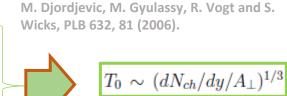


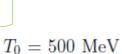
ALICE: NPA 904-905 573c (2013).

average medium temperature of 348 MeV in most central 5.02 TeV Pb+Pb



 $T_C \approx 150 \text{ MeV}$





in most central $5.02~{\rm TeV}$

For each centrality region.

Pb+Pb

$$\frac{dN_{rad}}{dxd\tau} = \frac{C_2(G)C_R}{\pi} \frac{1}{x} \int \frac{d^2\mathbf{q}}{\pi} \frac{d^2\mathbf{k}}{\pi} \frac{\mu_E^2(T) - \mu_M^2(T)}{[\mathbf{q}^2 + \mu_E^2(T)][\mathbf{q}^2 + \mu_M^2(T)]} T\alpha_s(ET)\alpha_s\left(\frac{\mathbf{k}^2 + \chi(T)}{x}\right) \times \left(1 - \cos\left(\frac{(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2 + \chi(T)}{xE^+}\tau\right)\right) \frac{2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})}{(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2 + \chi(T)} \left(\frac{\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q}}{(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2 + \chi(T)} - \frac{\mathbf{k}}{\mathbf{k}^2 + \chi(T)}\right)$$

 $\chi = m_g^2(T) + M^2 x^2$

M.Djordjevic and $m_g = \frac{\mu_E}{\sqrt{2}}$ M. Gyulassy, PRC 68. 034914 (2003).

$$\frac{dE_{coll}}{d\tau} = \frac{2C_{R}}{\pi v^{2}} \alpha_{s}(ET) \alpha_{s}(\mu_{E}^{2}(T)) \int_{0}^{\infty} n_{eq}(\left|\vec{k}\right|, T) d\left|\vec{k}\right| \left(\int_{0}^{\left|\vec{k}\right|/(1+v)} d\left|\vec{q}\right| \int_{-v\left|\vec{q}\right|}^{v\left|\vec{q}\right|} \omega d\omega + \int_{\left|\vec{k}\right|/(1+v)}^{\left|\vec{q}\right|} d\left|\vec{q}\right| \int_{\left|\vec{q}\right|-2\left|\vec{k}\right|}^{v\left|\vec{q}\right|} \omega d\omega \right) \times \left(\left|\Delta_{L}(q, T)\right|^{2} \frac{(2\left|\vec{k}\right| + \omega)^{2} - \left|\vec{q}\right|^{2}}{2} + \left|\Delta_{T}(q, T)\right|^{2} \frac{(\left|\vec{q}\right|^{2} - \omega^{2})((2\left|\vec{k}\right| + \omega)^{2} + \left|\vec{q}\right|^{2})}{4\left|\vec{q}\right|^{4}} (v^{2}\left|\vec{q}\right|^{2} - \omega^{2}) \right)$$

 $D^{\mu\nu}(\omega, \vec{q}) = -P^{\mu\nu}\Delta_T(\omega, \vec{q}) - Q^{\mu\nu}\Delta_L(\omega, \vec{q})$

D. Zigic, B. Ilic, M. Djordjevic and M. Djordjevic, Phys. Rev. C 101, 064909 (2020)

Multi-gluon fluctuations

M. Gyulassy, P. Levai, I. Vitev, PLB 538,282 (2002)

Poisson distribution:

$$P(k \text{ events in interval}) = \frac{\lambda^k e^{-\lambda}}{k!}$$

Poisson expansion $P(\epsilon, E) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P_n(\epsilon, E)$

 $\epsilon = \sum_{i} \omega_{i}/E$

$$k! = \frac{1}{k!}$$

$$P_0(\epsilon, E) = e^{-\langle N^g(E)\rangle} \delta(\epsilon)$$

where

\(\lambda\) is the average number of events per interval

$$P_1(\epsilon, E) = e^{-\langle N^g \rangle} \rho(\epsilon, E)$$

$$\rho(x) = dN_g/dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \rho^{(n)}(x)$$

$$P_{n+1}(\epsilon, E) = \frac{1}{n+1} \int_{x_0}^{1-x_0} dx_n \ \rho(x_n, E) P_n(\epsilon - x_n, E)$$

$$= \frac{e^{-\langle N^g(E) \rangle}}{(n+1)!} \int dx_1 \cdots dx_n \ \rho(x_1, E) \cdots \rho(x_n, E) \rho(\epsilon - x_1 - \cdots - x_n, E)$$

$$\int_{0}^{\infty} d\epsilon \ P(\epsilon, E)\epsilon = \frac{\Delta E}{E}$$

$$m_g = m_{\infty} = \sqrt{\Pi_T(p_0/|\vec{\mathbf{p}}| = 1)} = \mu_E/\sqrt{2}$$

Effective gluon mass

M. Djordjevic and M. Gyulassy, PRC 68:034914 (2003)