

Hydrodynamization and non-equilibrium attractors in the high-temperature QCD plasma

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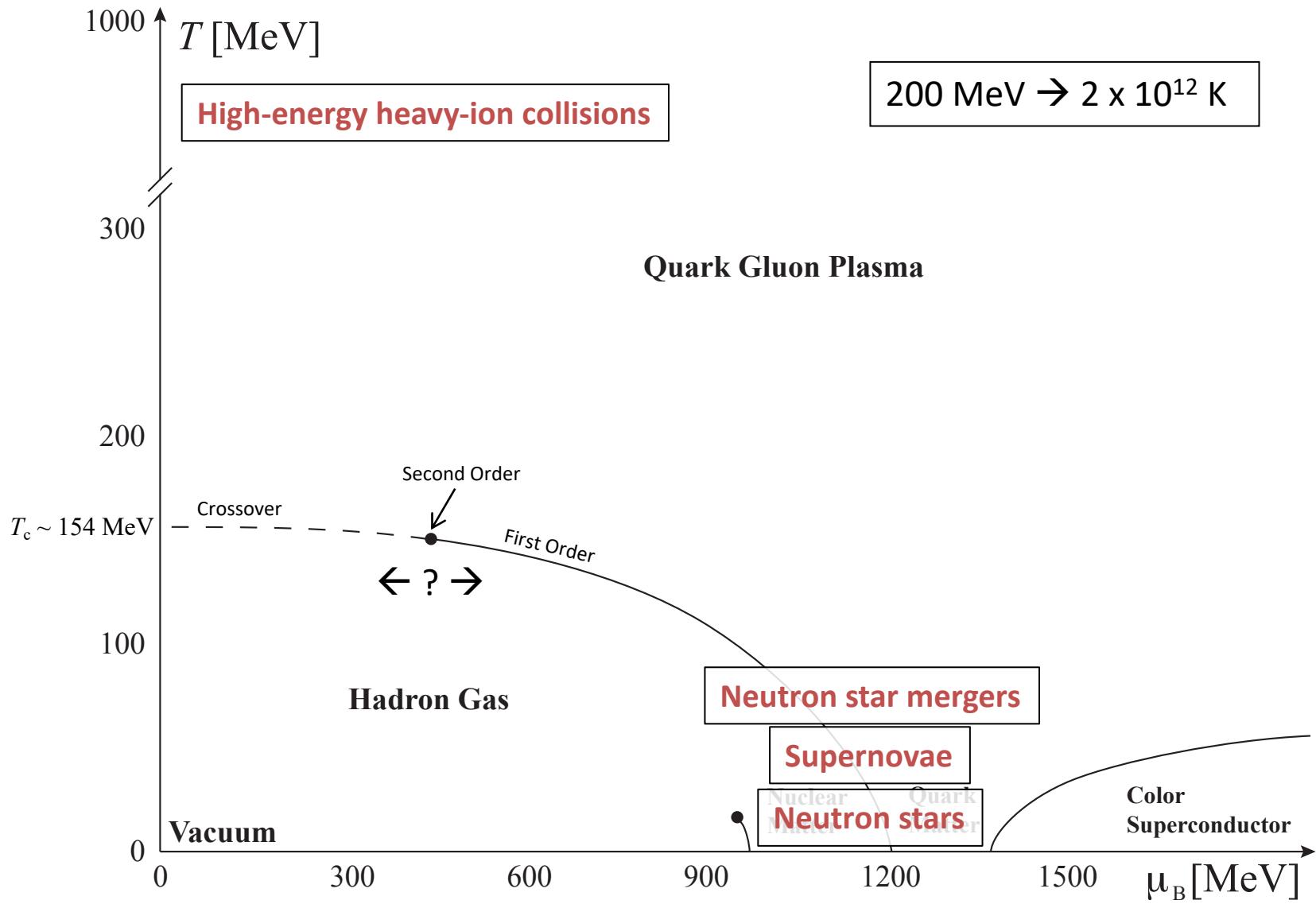


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Online slides and notes

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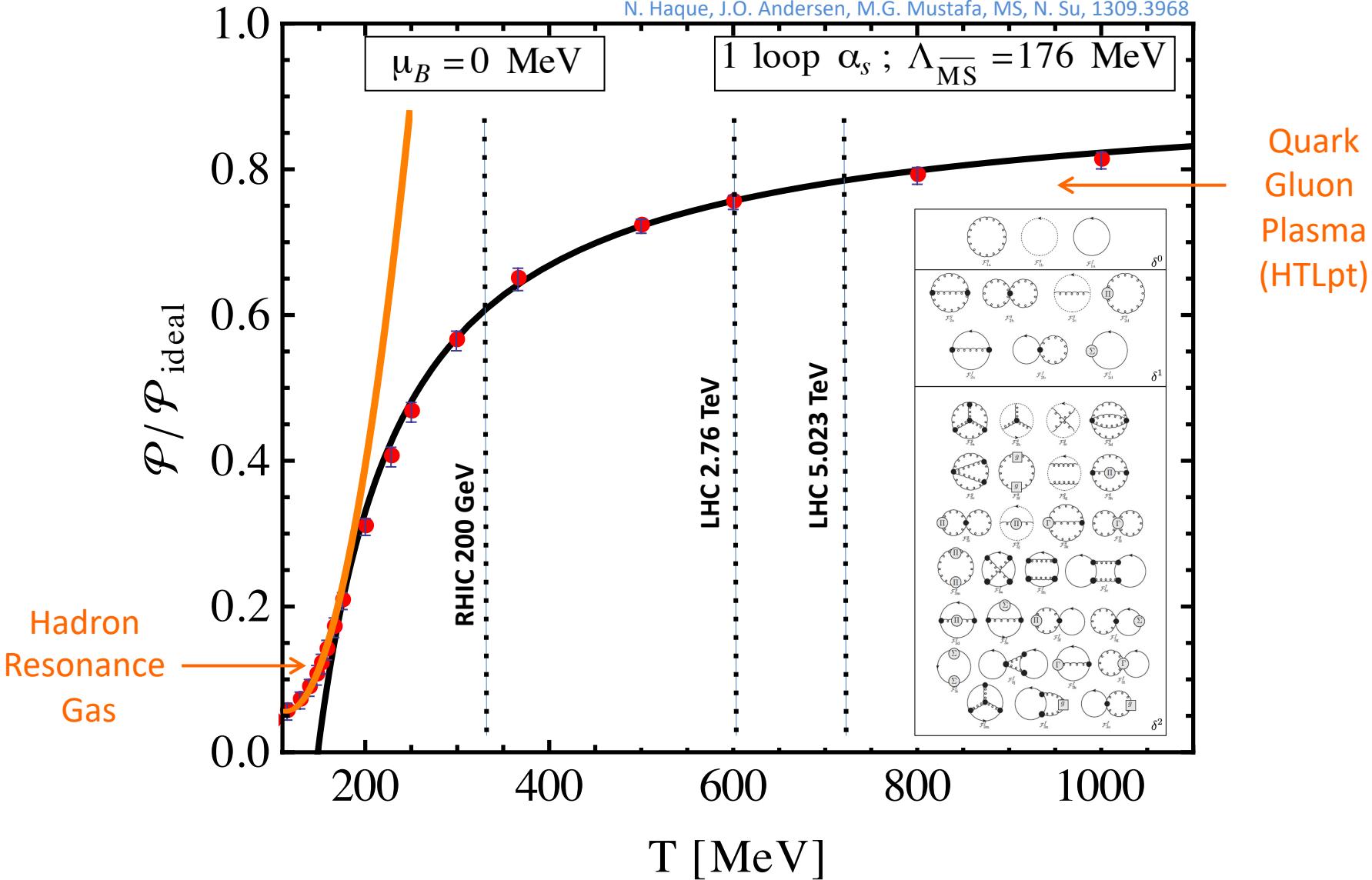
QCD Phase Diagram



Pressure vs Temperature – $\mu_B = 0$ MeV

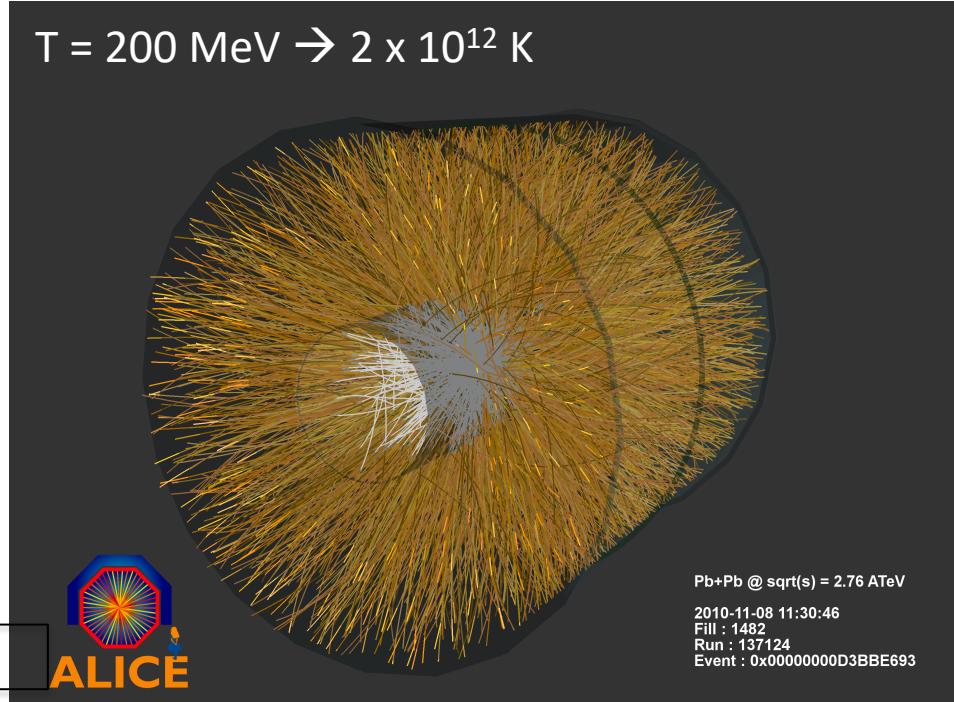
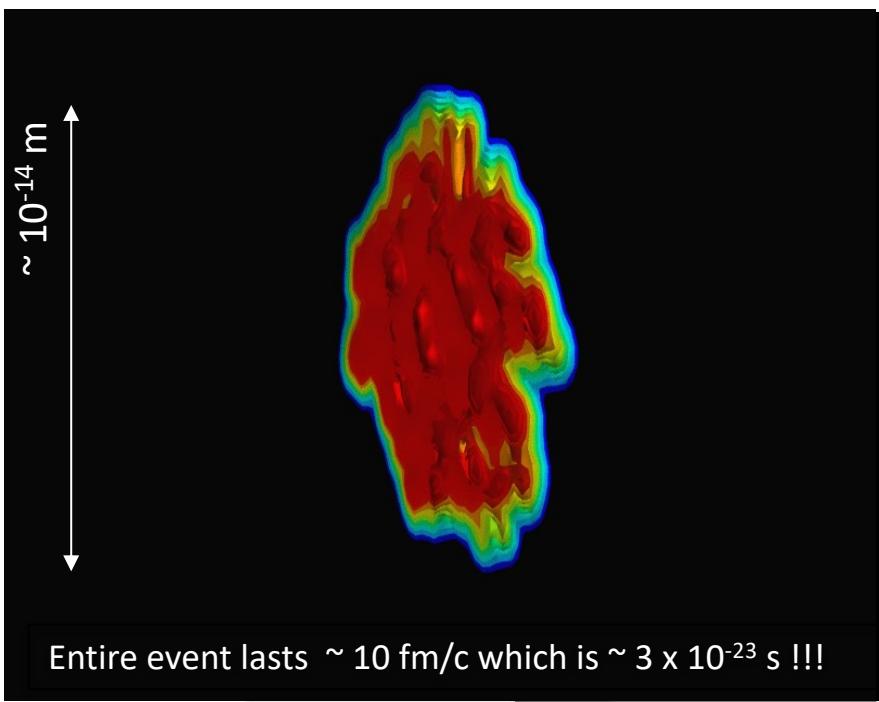
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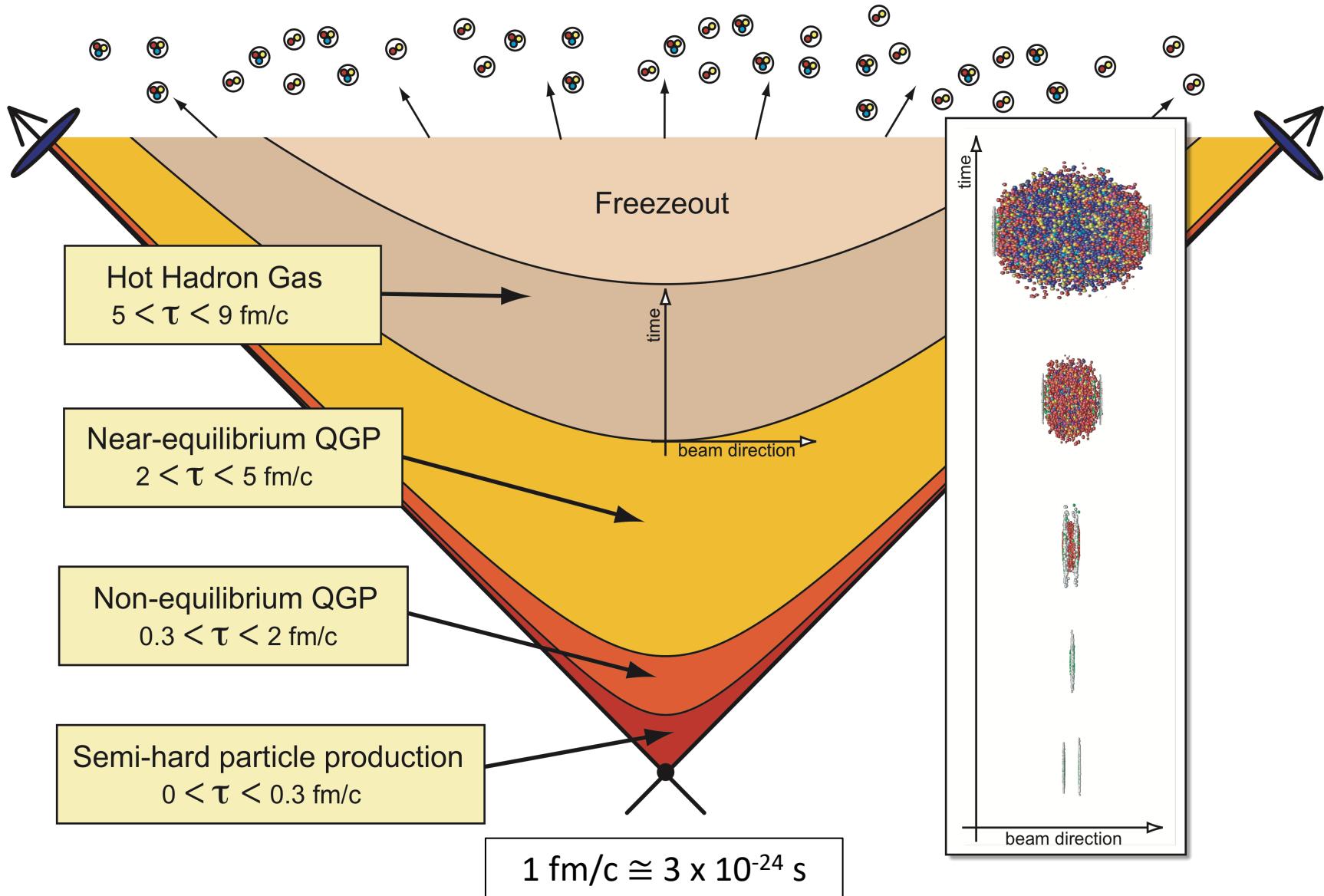


Ultrarelativistic heavy-ion collisions

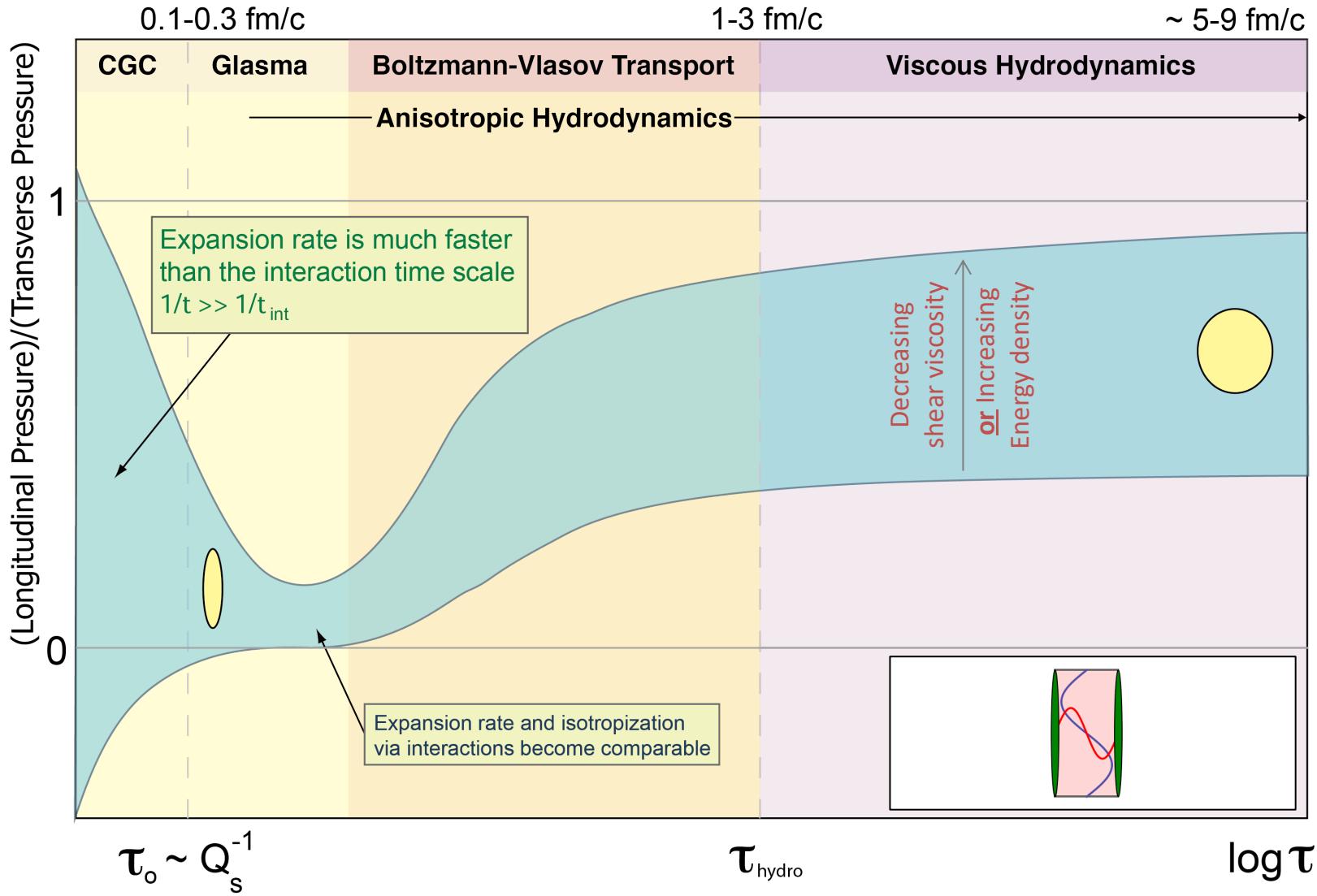
- **RHIC**, BNL – Au-Au @ 200 GeV/nucleon (highest energy) → $T_0 \sim 400$ MeV
- **LHC**, CERN – Pb-Pb @ 2.76 TeV → $T_0 \sim 600$ MeV
- **LHC**, CERN – Pb-Pb @ 5.02 TeV → $T_0 \sim 700$ MeV
- **RHIC**, BNL **BES** – Au-Au @ 7.7 - 39 GeV → $T_0 \sim 30\text{-}100$ MeV [+finite density]
- **FAiR** (GSI), **NICA** (Dubna) – U-U @ 35 GeV → $T_0 \sim 100$ MeV [+finite density]



Heavy Ion Collision Timescales



QGP momentum anisotropy cartoon



Non-equilibrium hydrodynamics and dynamical attractors

Why is this topic relevant?

- The QGP is highly **momentum-space anisotropic in the local rest frame** (All approaches agree on this, AdS-CFT based models, kinetic theory with/without plasma instabilities, 3d CGC, ...).
- Despite these large momentum-space anisotropies, **dissipative hydrodynamics has proven to be quite successful** in describing experimental results (see the slides coming next).
- Why does it work so well and how can we use our understanding of **“hydrodynamization”** to improve existing hydrodynamics theories (e.g. anisotropic hydrodynamics, transseries, resurgence theory, etc.)?
- In my lectures, I will discuss the unreasonable effectiveness of dissipative hydrodynamics using the concept of **non-equilibrium dynamical attractors**. [\[see e.g. Heller and Spalinski, Phys. Rev. Lett. 115 \(7\), 072501 \(2015\); 1503.07514\]](#)
- I will also discuss going beyond hydro-based treatments of attractors using **non-equilibrium kinetic theory**, with both exact and numerical solutions of the Boltzmann equation.

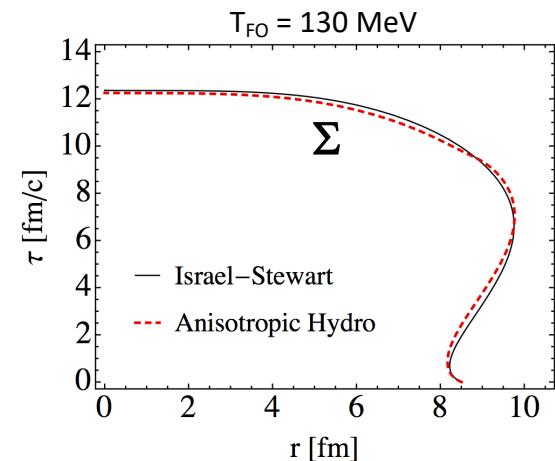
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- One uses the equations of state and

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$$-d_\nu \pi_\tau^\nu = v^2 \partial_\tau \pi_r^r + v \partial_r \pi_r^r + \pi_r^r \left[\partial_\tau v^2 + \partial_r v + \frac{v^2}{\tau} + \frac{v}{r} \right] + \frac{1}{\tau} \pi_\zeta^\zeta,$$

$$d_\nu \pi_r^\nu = v \partial_\tau \pi_r^r + \partial_r \pi_r^r + \pi_r^r \left[\partial_\tau v + \frac{v}{\tau} + \frac{2-v^2}{r} \right] + \frac{1}{r} \pi_\zeta^\zeta.$$

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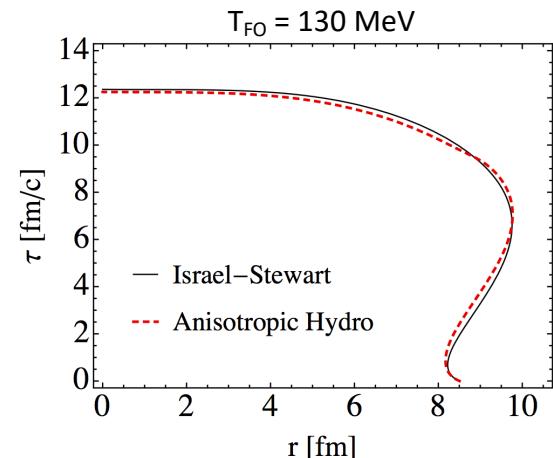
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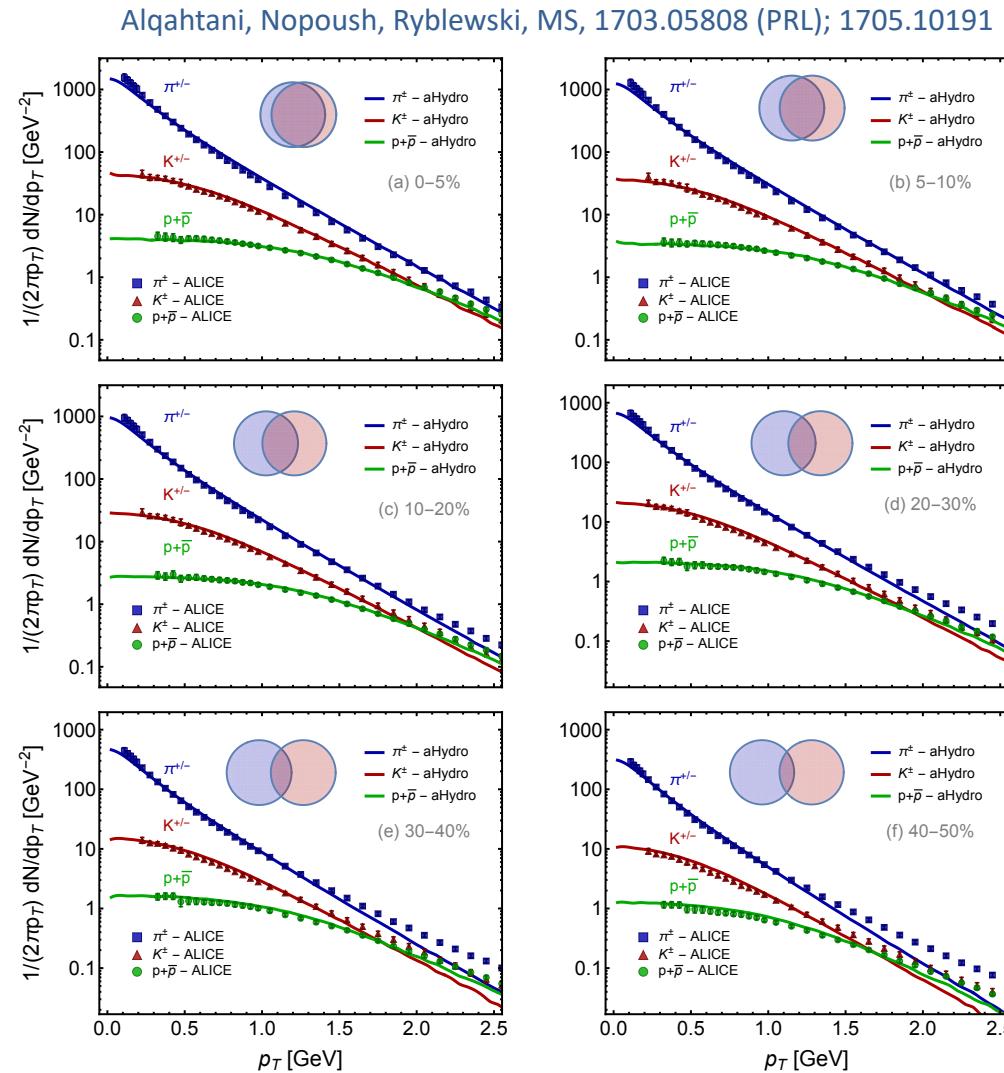
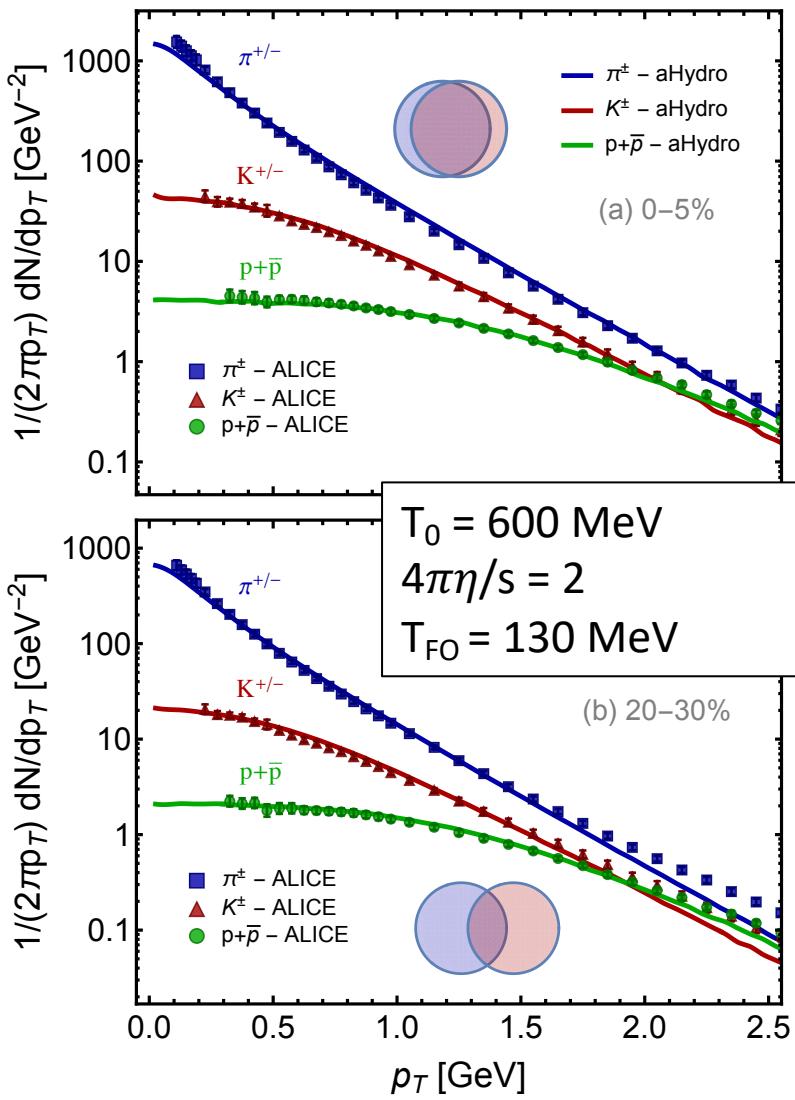
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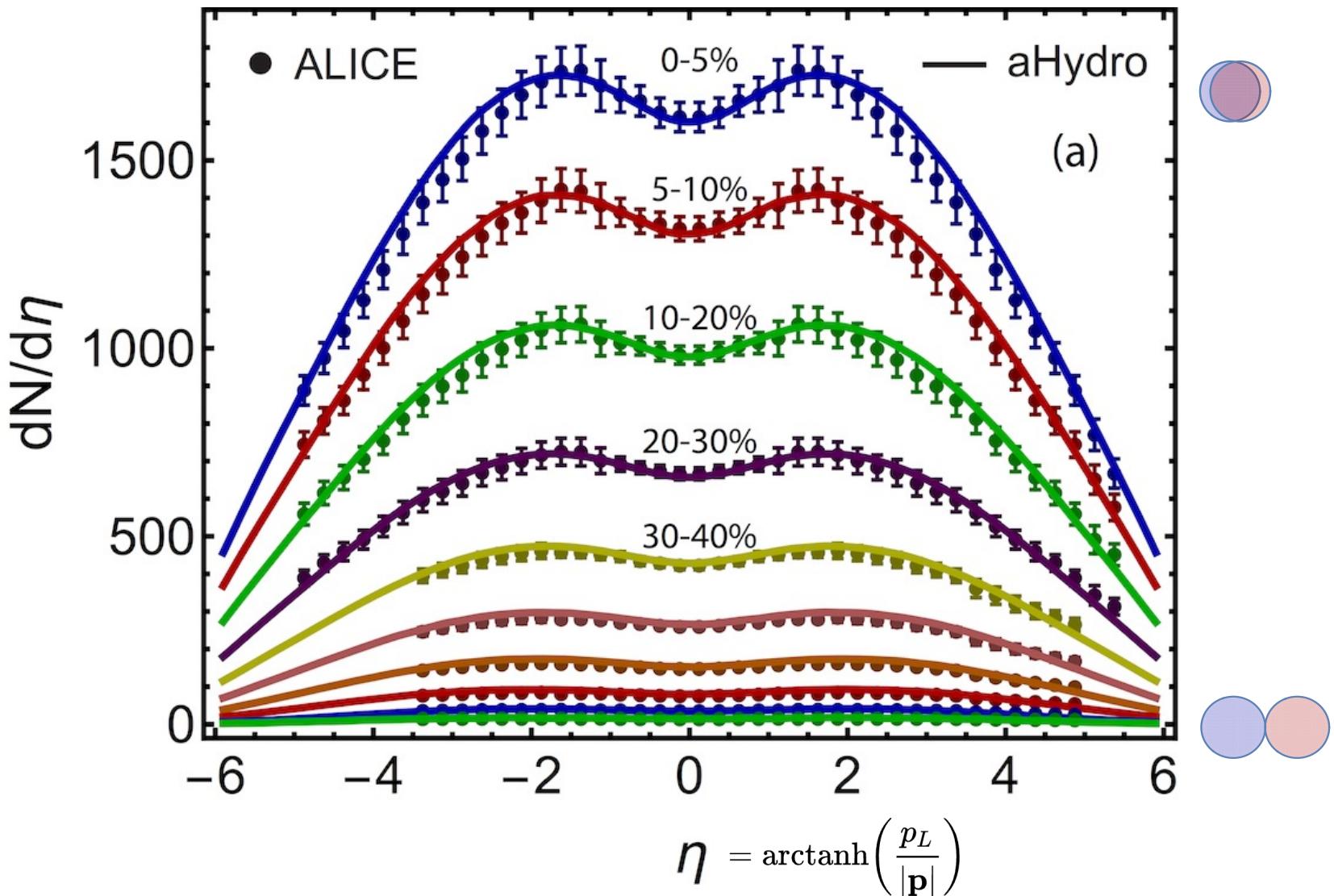
Identified particle spectra



Data are from the ALICE collaboration data for Pb-Pb collisions @ 2.76 TeV/nucleon

Pb-Pb vs Hydro: Charged particle multiplicities

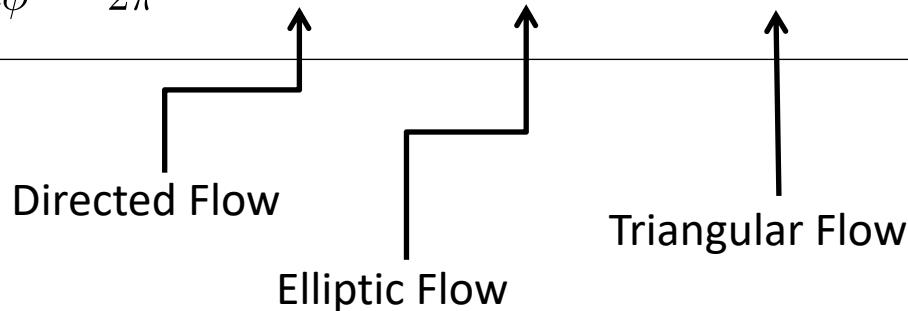
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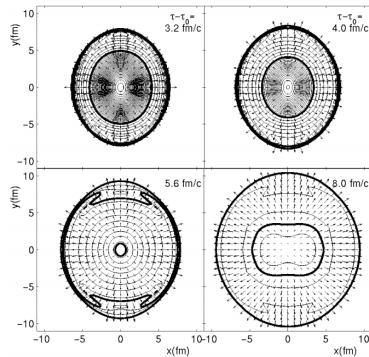
Collective Flow

- During non-central collisions overlap region breaks azimuthal symmetry

$$\frac{1}{N} \frac{dN}{d\phi} = \frac{1}{2\pi} (1 + 2v_1 \cos \phi + 2v_2 \cos 2\phi + 2v_3 \cos 3\phi + \dots)$$

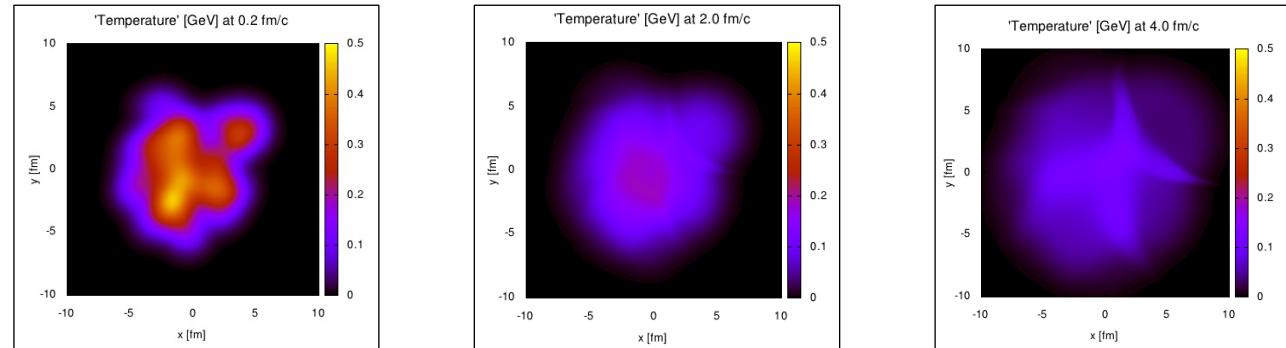


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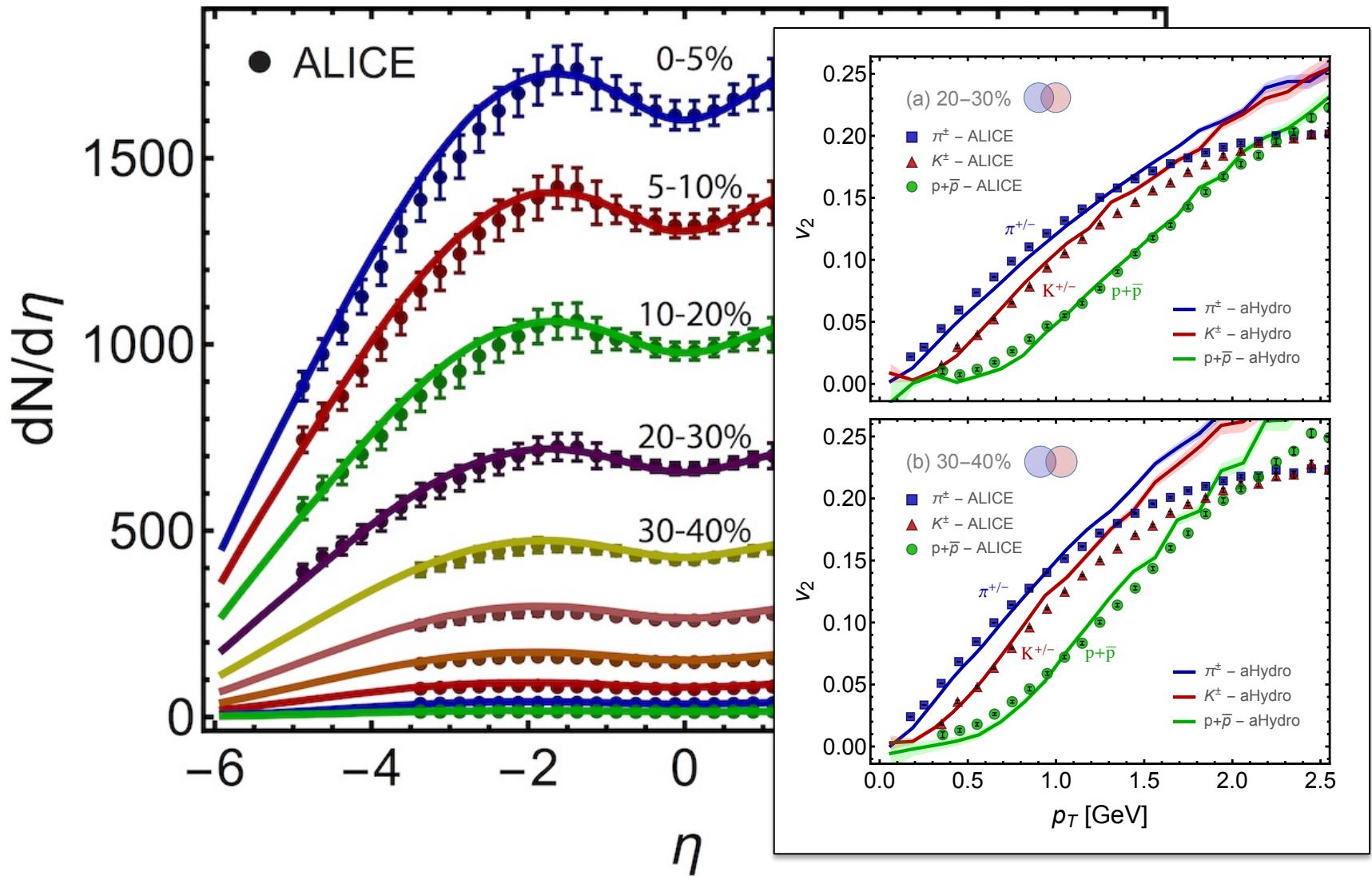
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Event-by-Event fluctuations

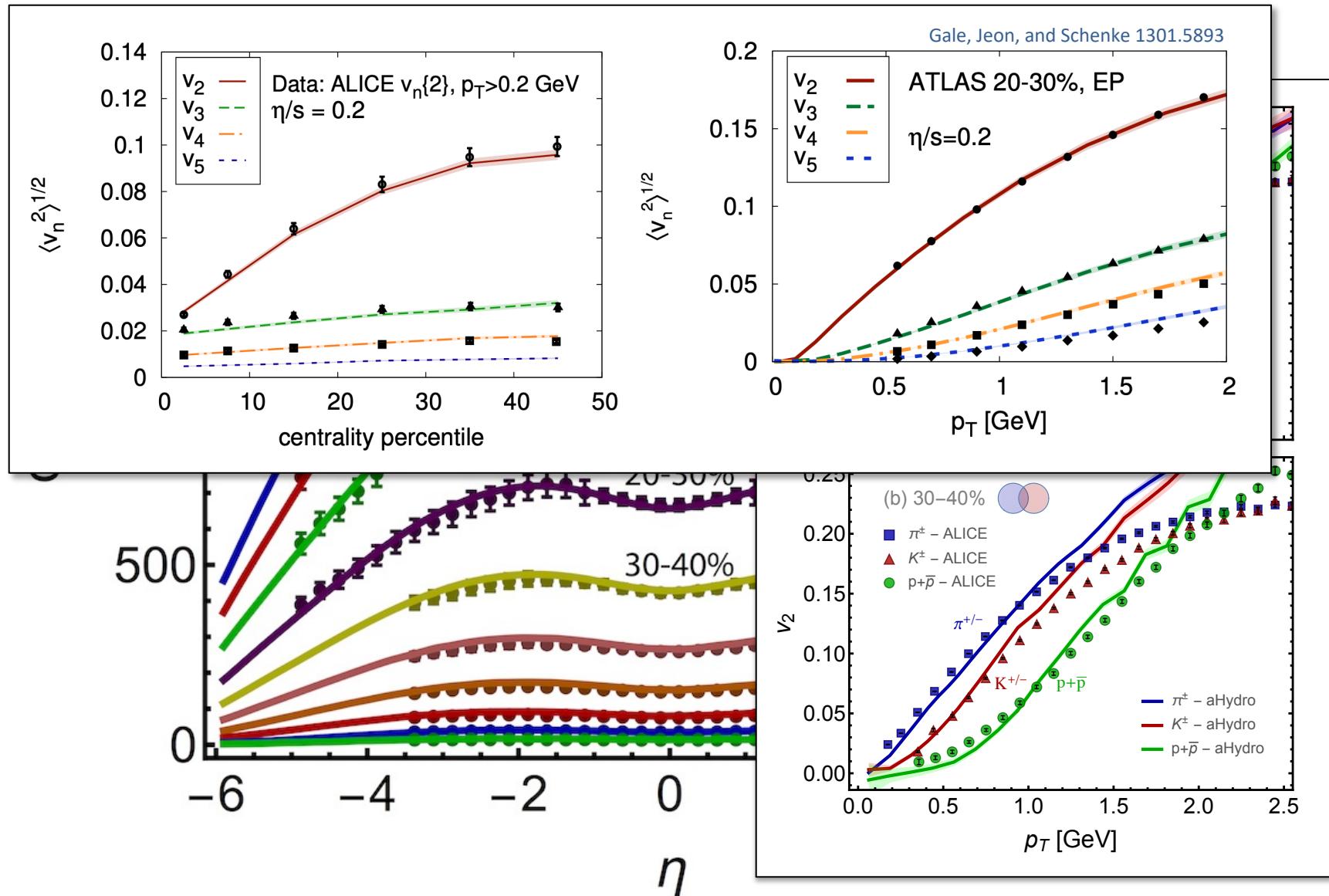


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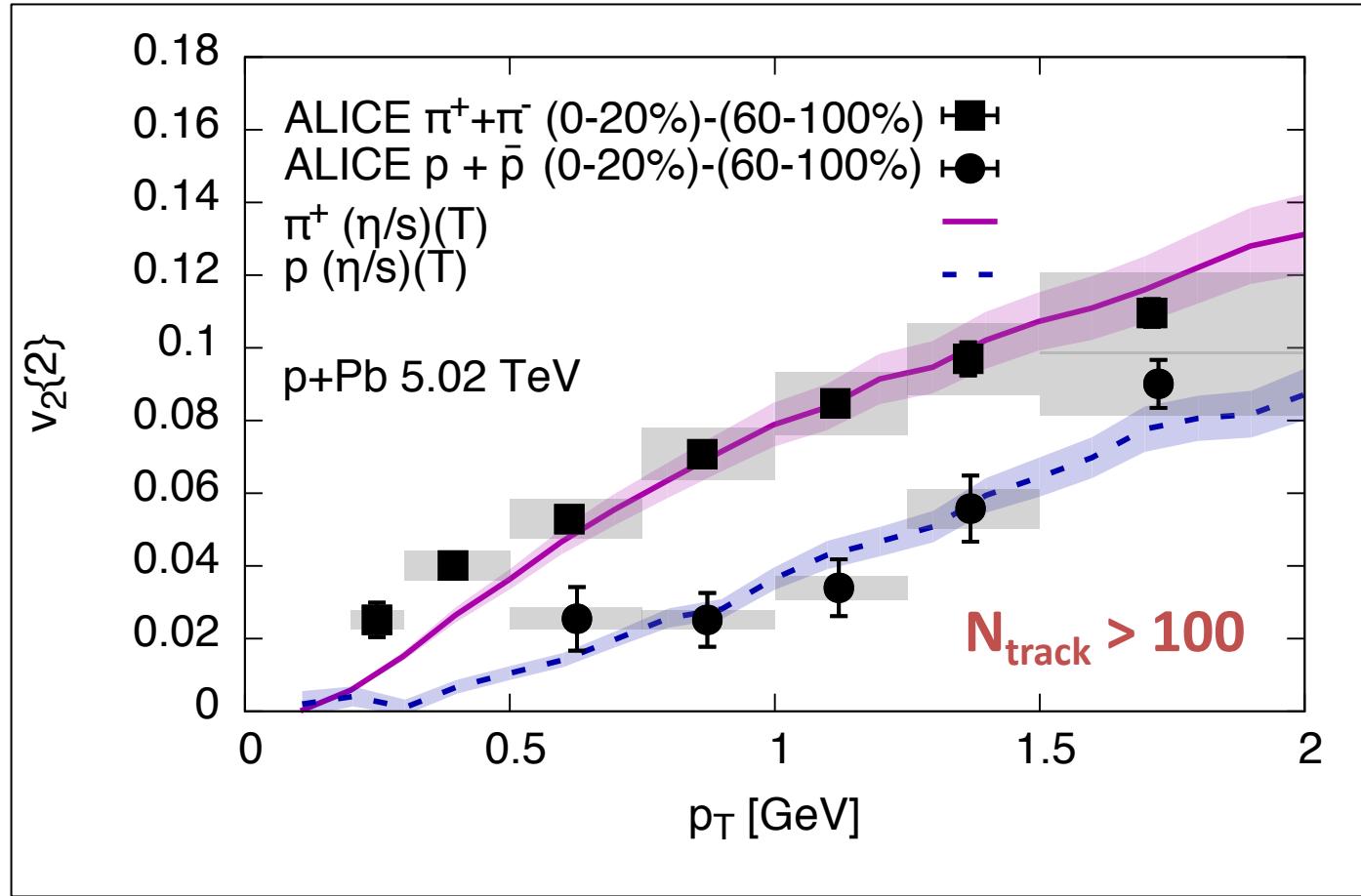


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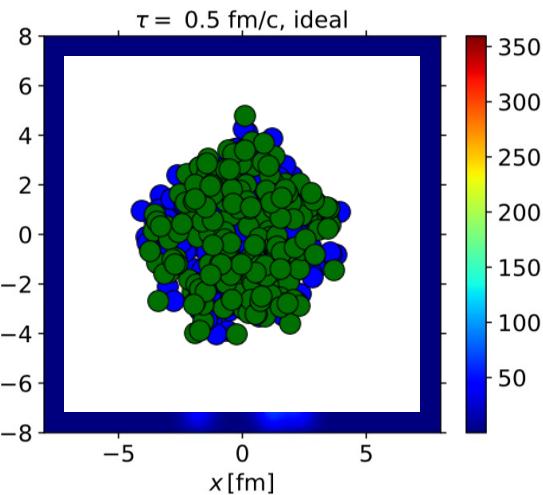


p-Pb vs Hydro: High-multiplicity events

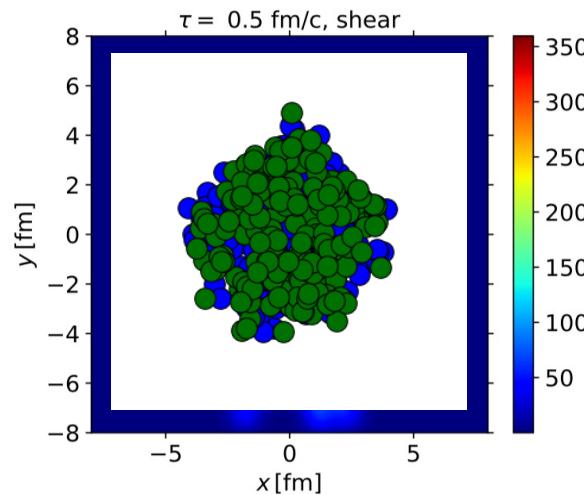
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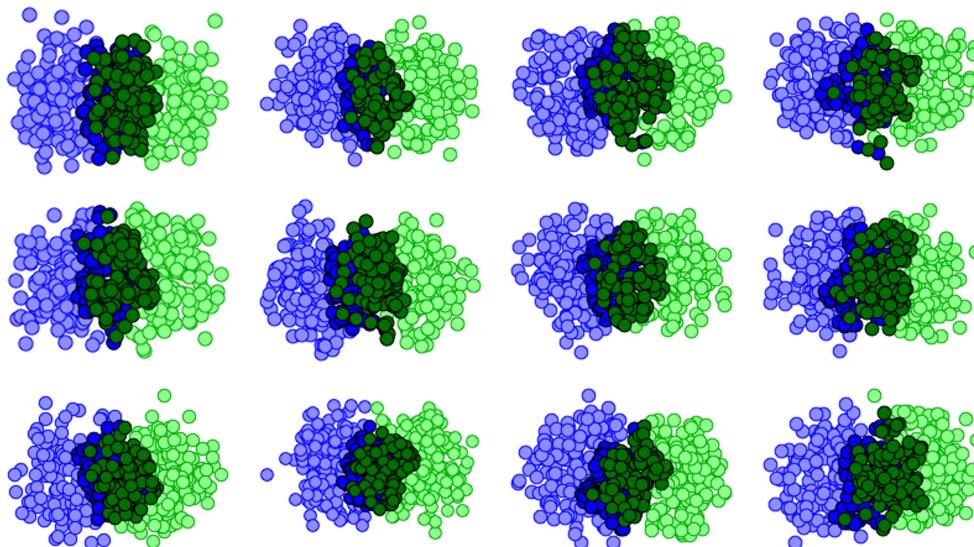
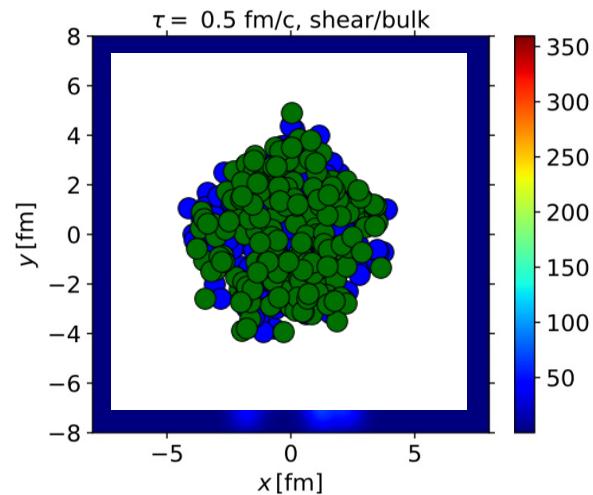
Ideal Hydro



Shear only ($\eta/s = 0.2$)

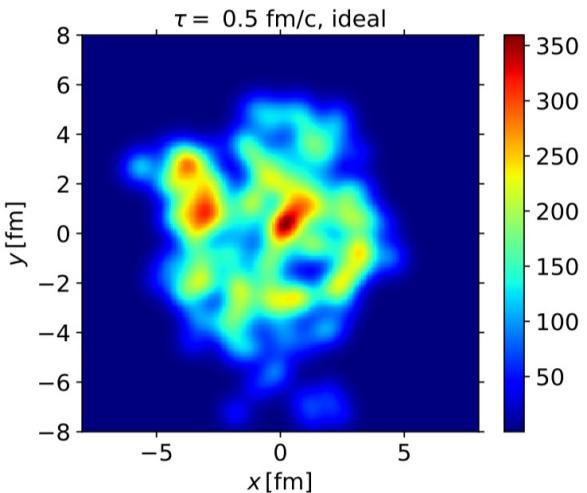


Shear + Bulk

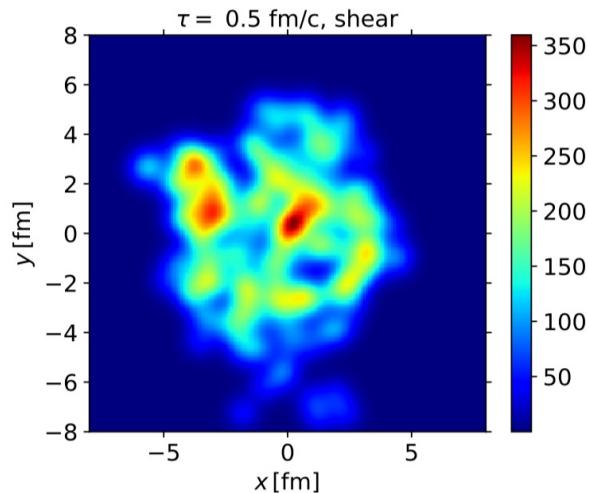


- Variety of initial conditions (ICs) on the market. For simplicity, here I only show Monte-Carlo Glauber IC.
- Top shows animation of sampling # of participants in a central collision ($b = 0 \text{ fm}$).
- Left shows a set of fluctuating initial conditions for $b = 8 \text{ fm}$.

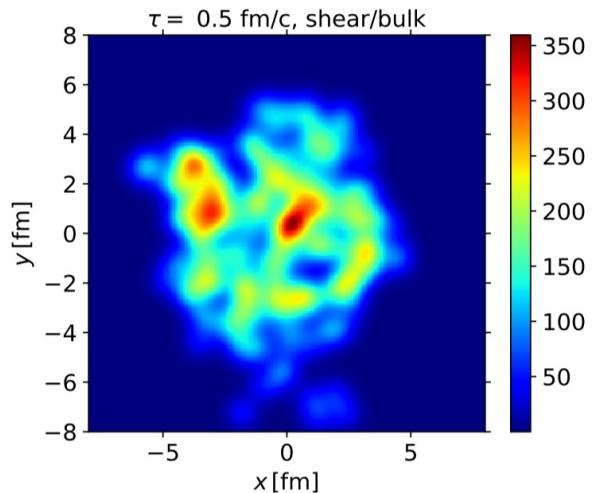
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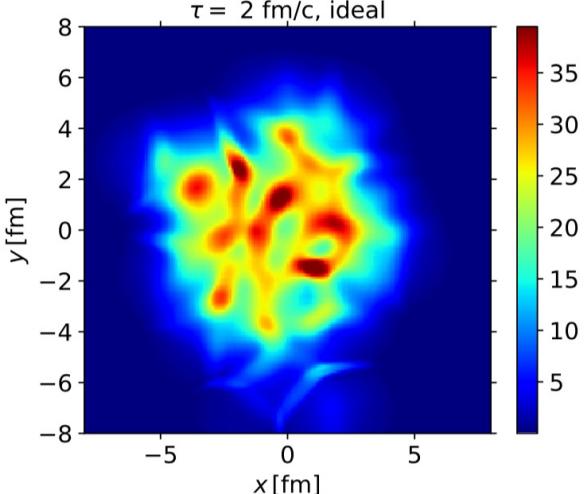
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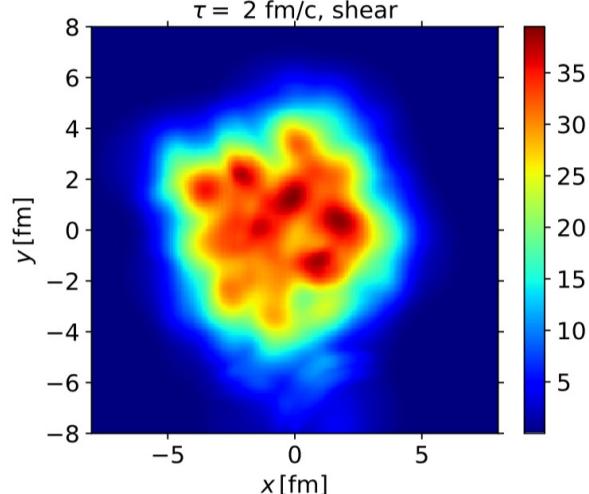
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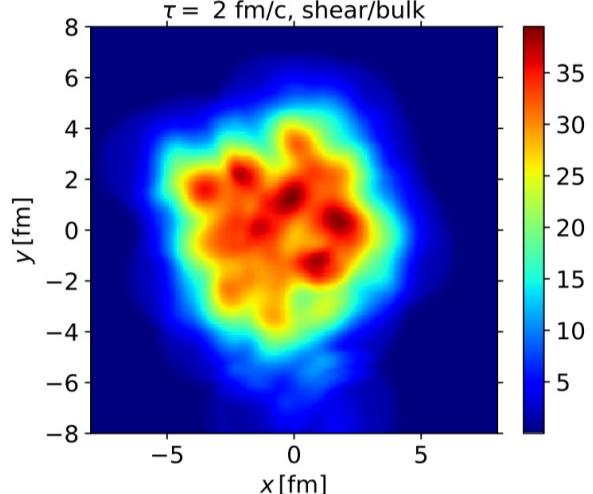
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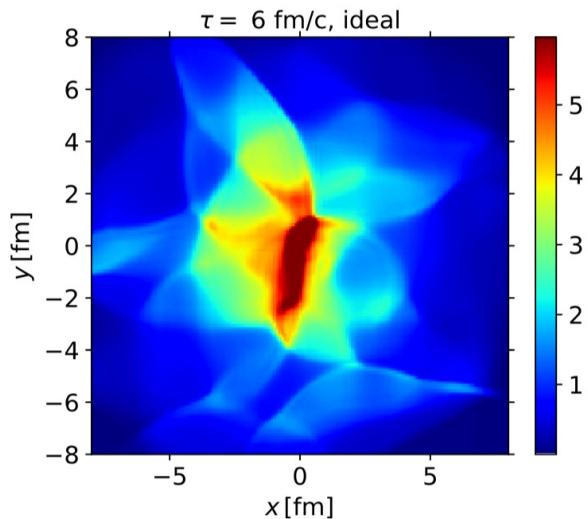


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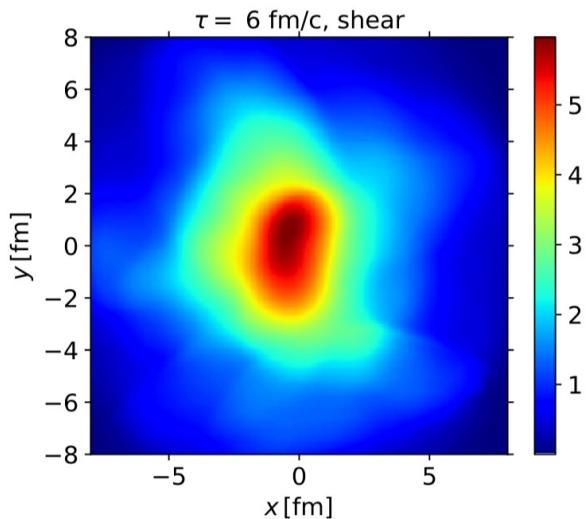


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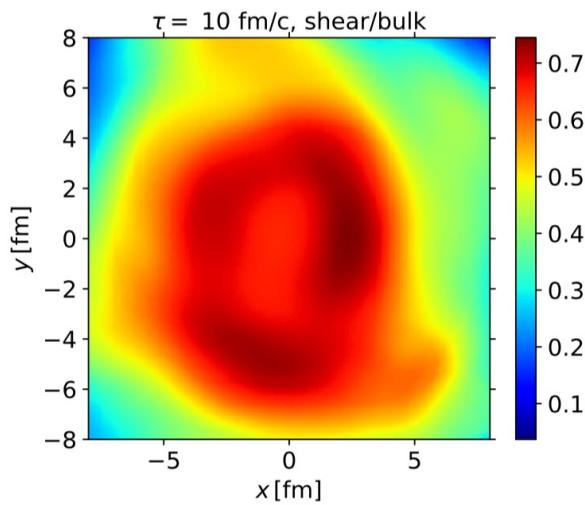
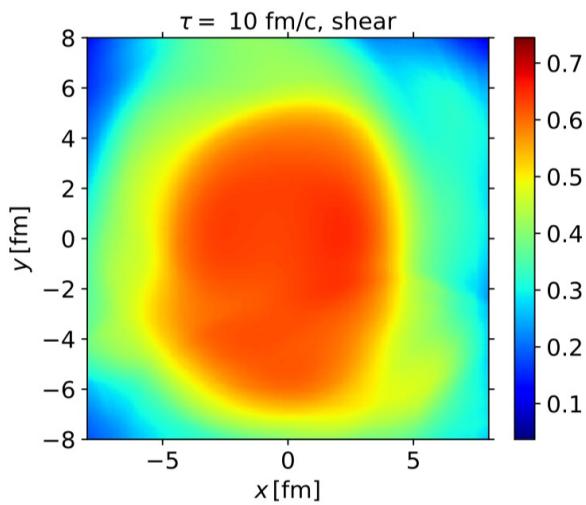
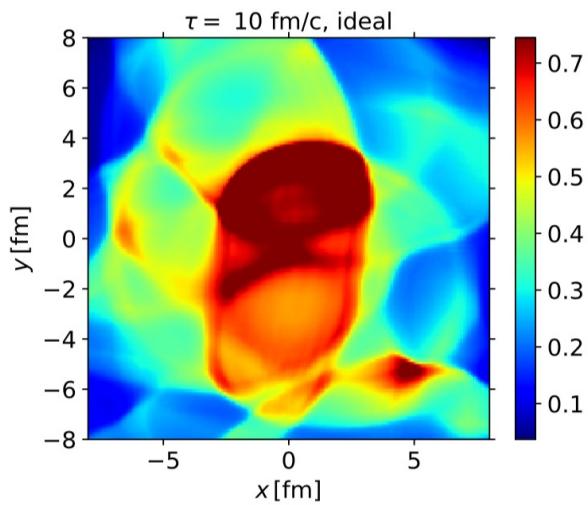
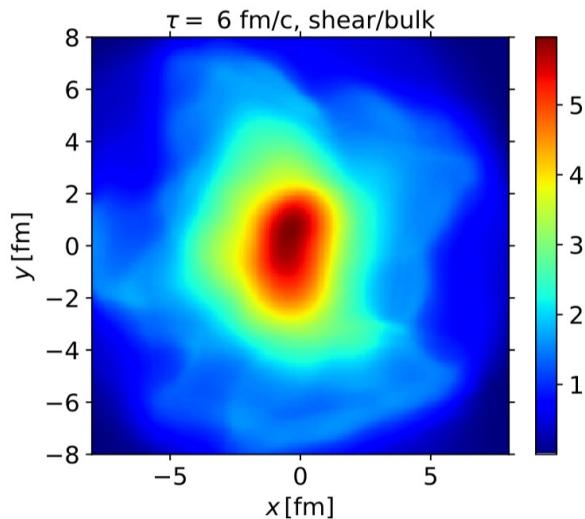
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Controlling/monitoring the evolution

The Knudsen number

Ratio of microscopic relaxation time over the macroscopic time scale which drives the system away from equilibrium

$$\text{Kn} \equiv \frac{\tau_{\text{micro}}}{\tau_{\text{macro}}} = \tau_\pi |\theta|$$

In the environment created in heavy ion collisions one has approximately

$$\text{Kn}_\pi \sim \frac{\tau_\pi}{\tau} \quad \text{Kn}_\Pi \sim \frac{\tau_\Pi}{\tau}$$

The (Inverse) Reynolds number

Ratio of the magnitude of dissipative corrections to the

$$R_\pi^{-1} \equiv \frac{\sqrt{\pi^{\mu\nu}\pi_{\mu\nu}}}{\mathcal{P}_0}, \quad R_\Pi^{-1} \equiv \frac{|\Pi|}{\mathcal{P}_0}.$$



Knudsen



Reynolds

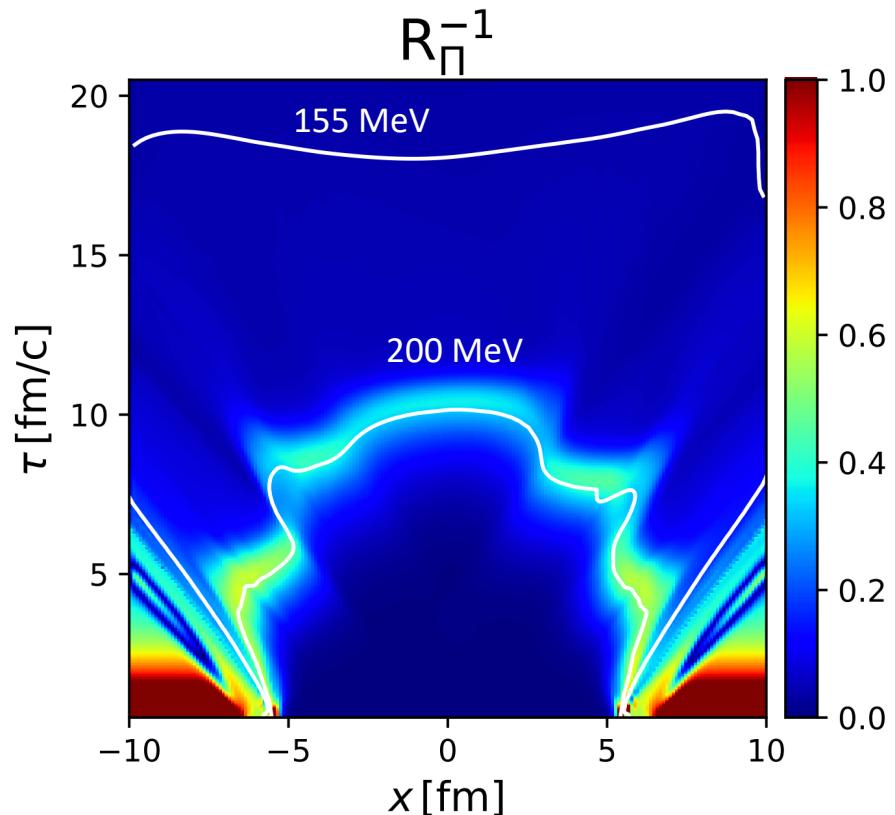
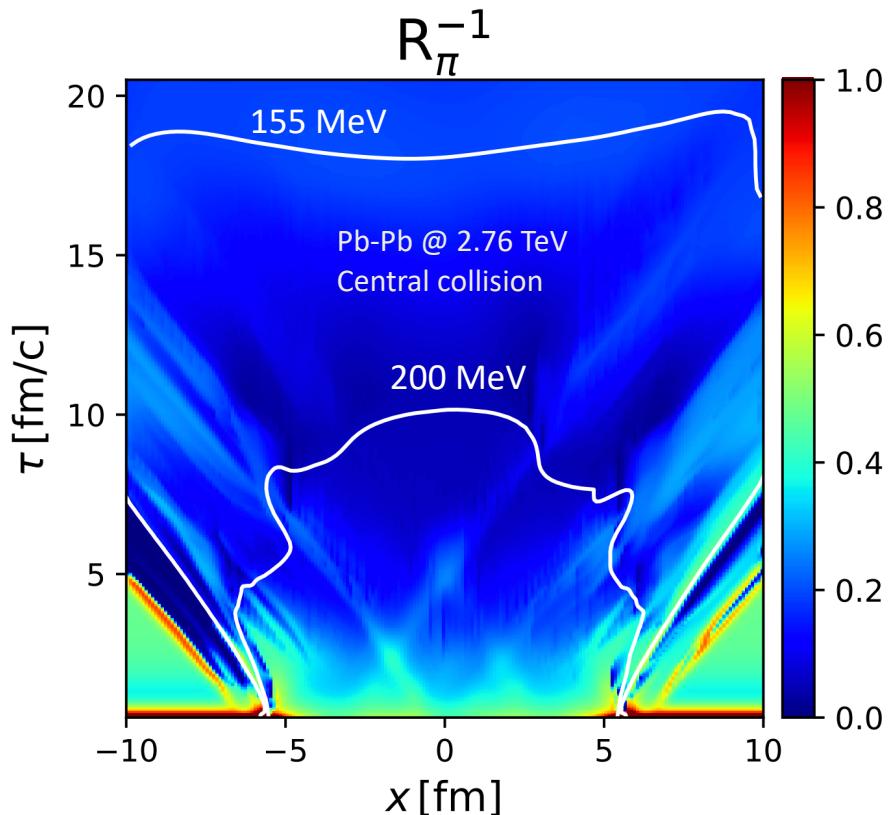
Pb-Pb @ 2.76 TeV - Don't worry, be happy?

$$T^{\mu\nu} = T_{\text{ideal}}^{\mu\nu} + \Pi^{\mu\nu}$$

viscous stress tensor

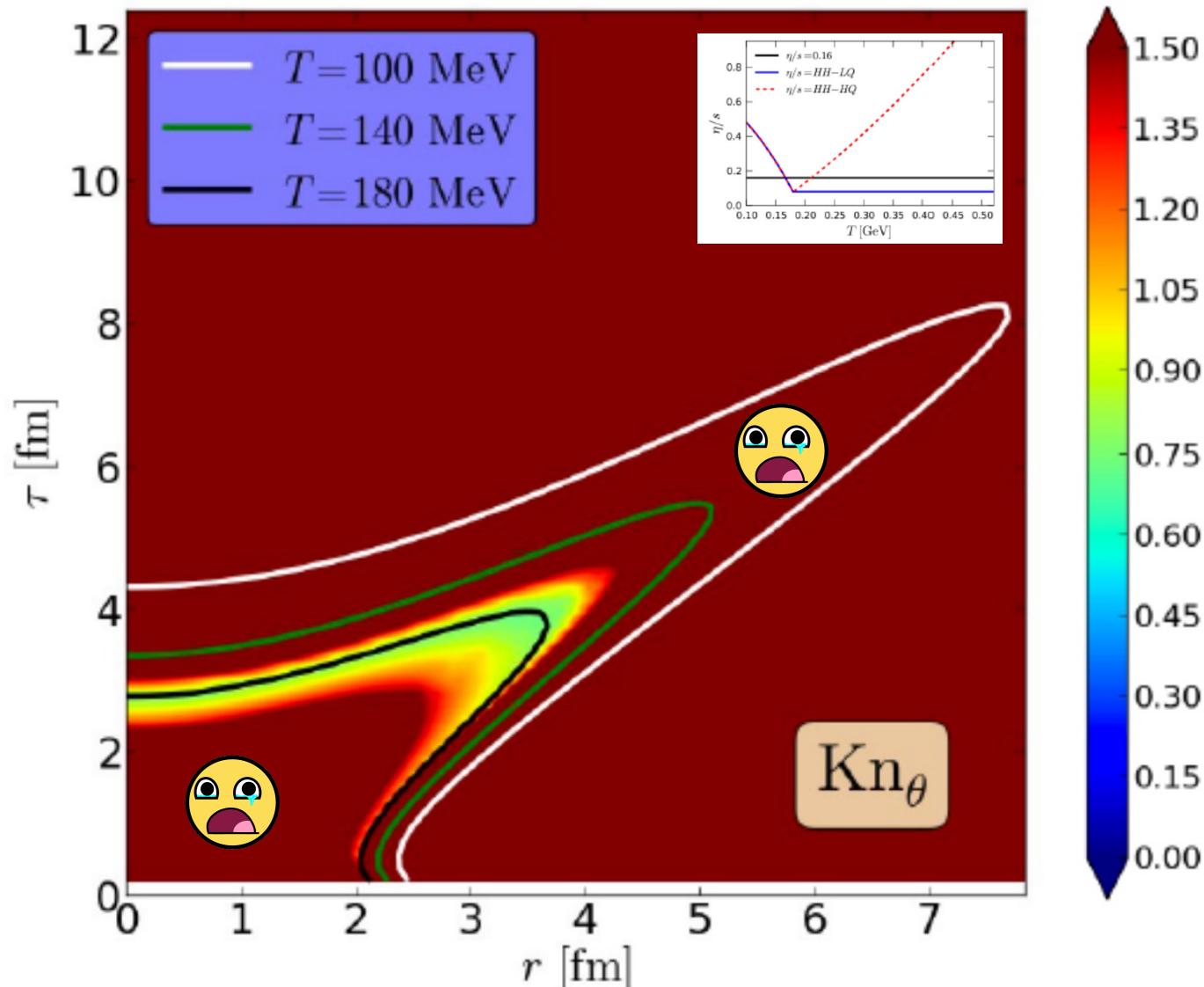
Shear and bulk Inverse Reynolds Numbers

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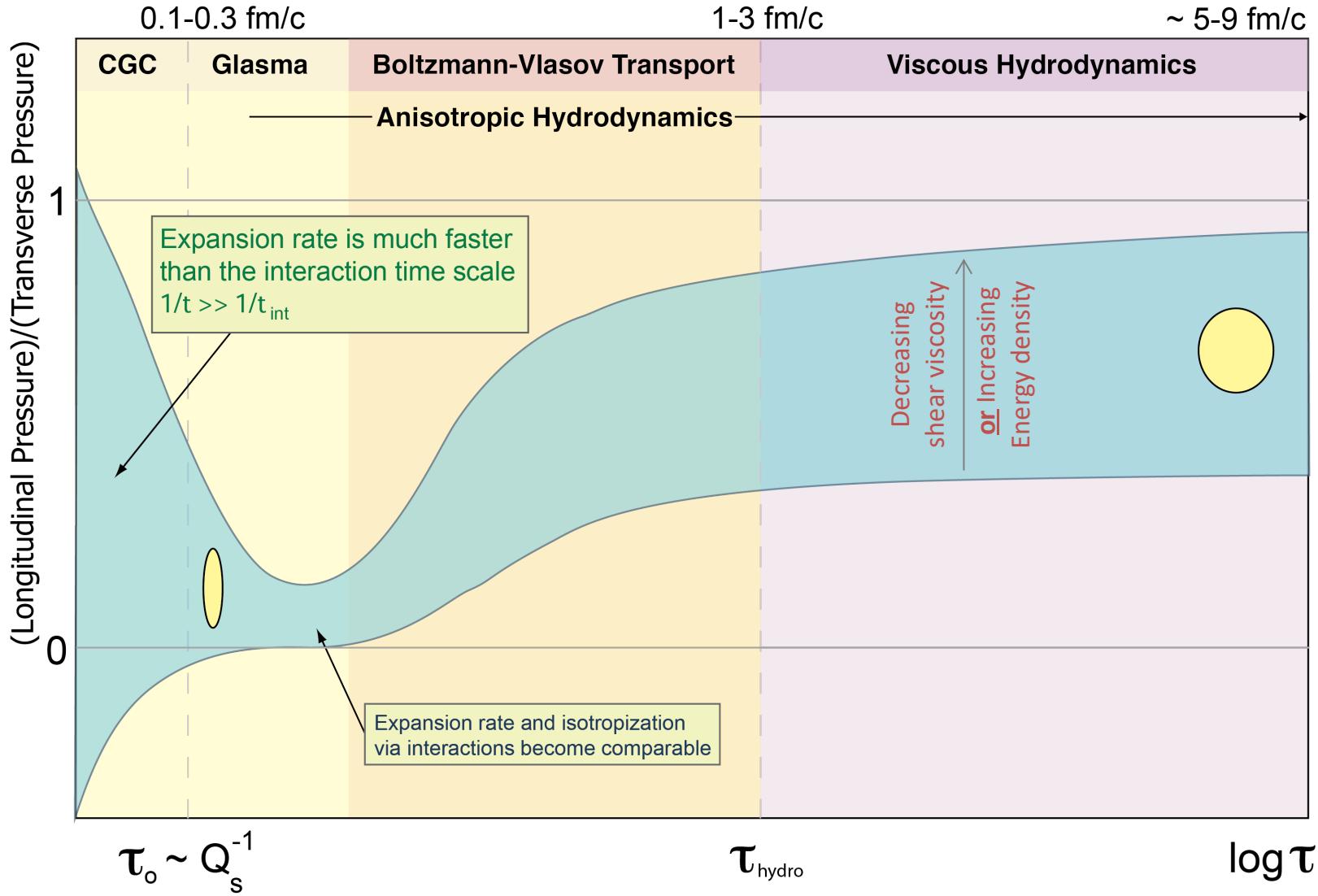


p-A @ 2.76 TeV - Don't be happy, worry!

Figure (sans emoticons): H. Niemi and G. Denicol, 1404.7327

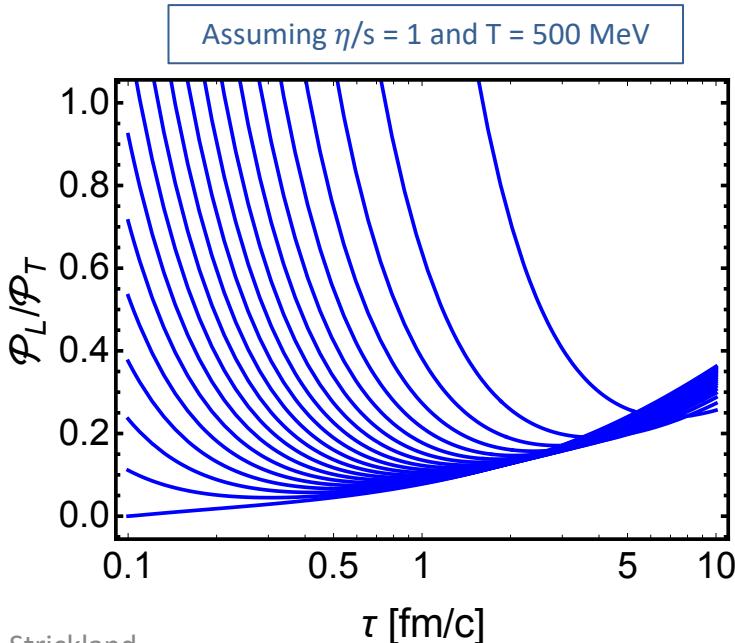
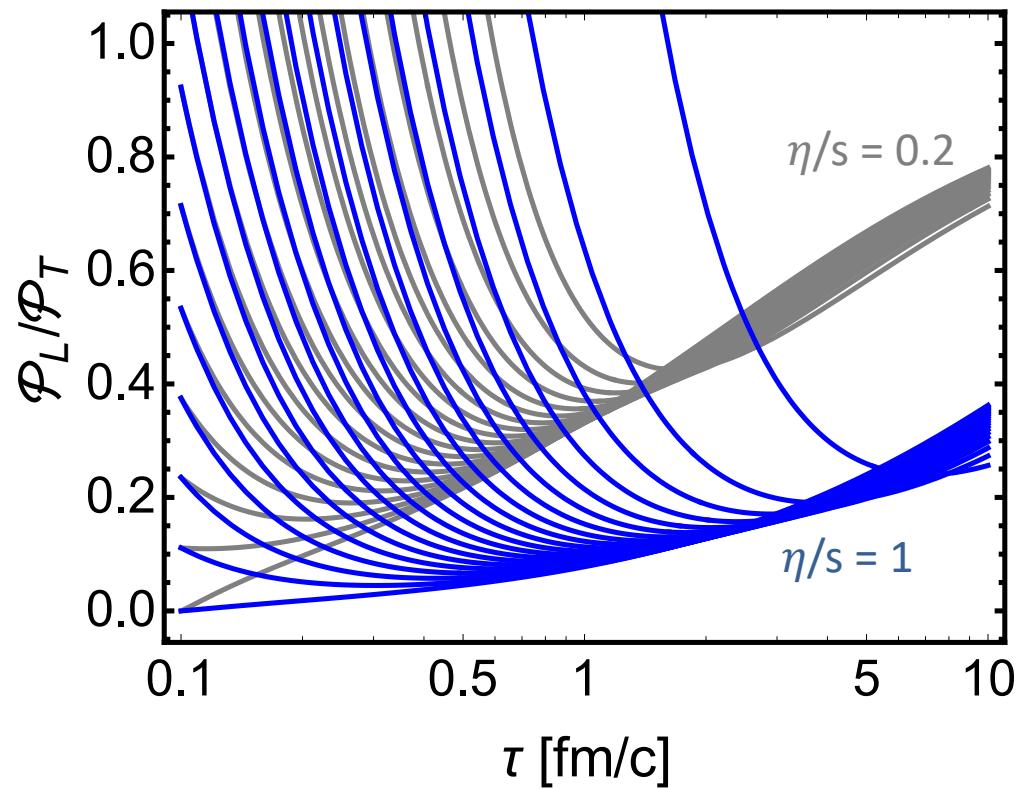
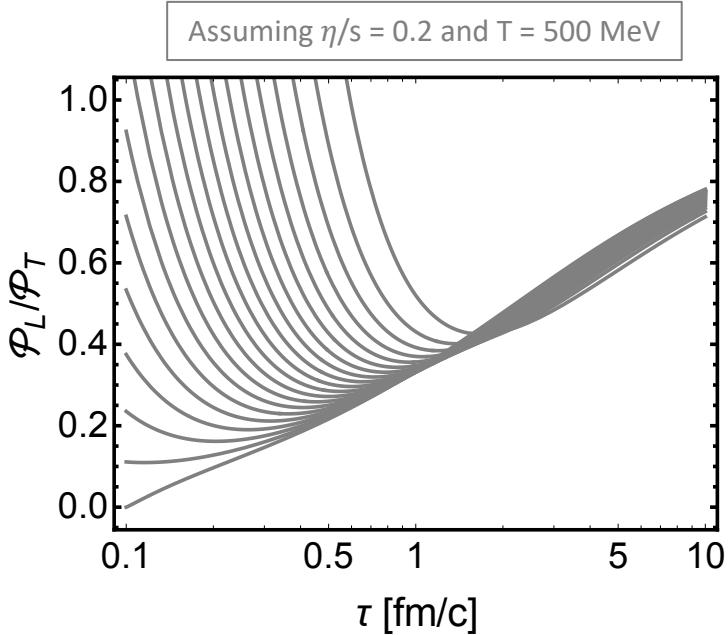


QGP momentum anisotropy cartoon



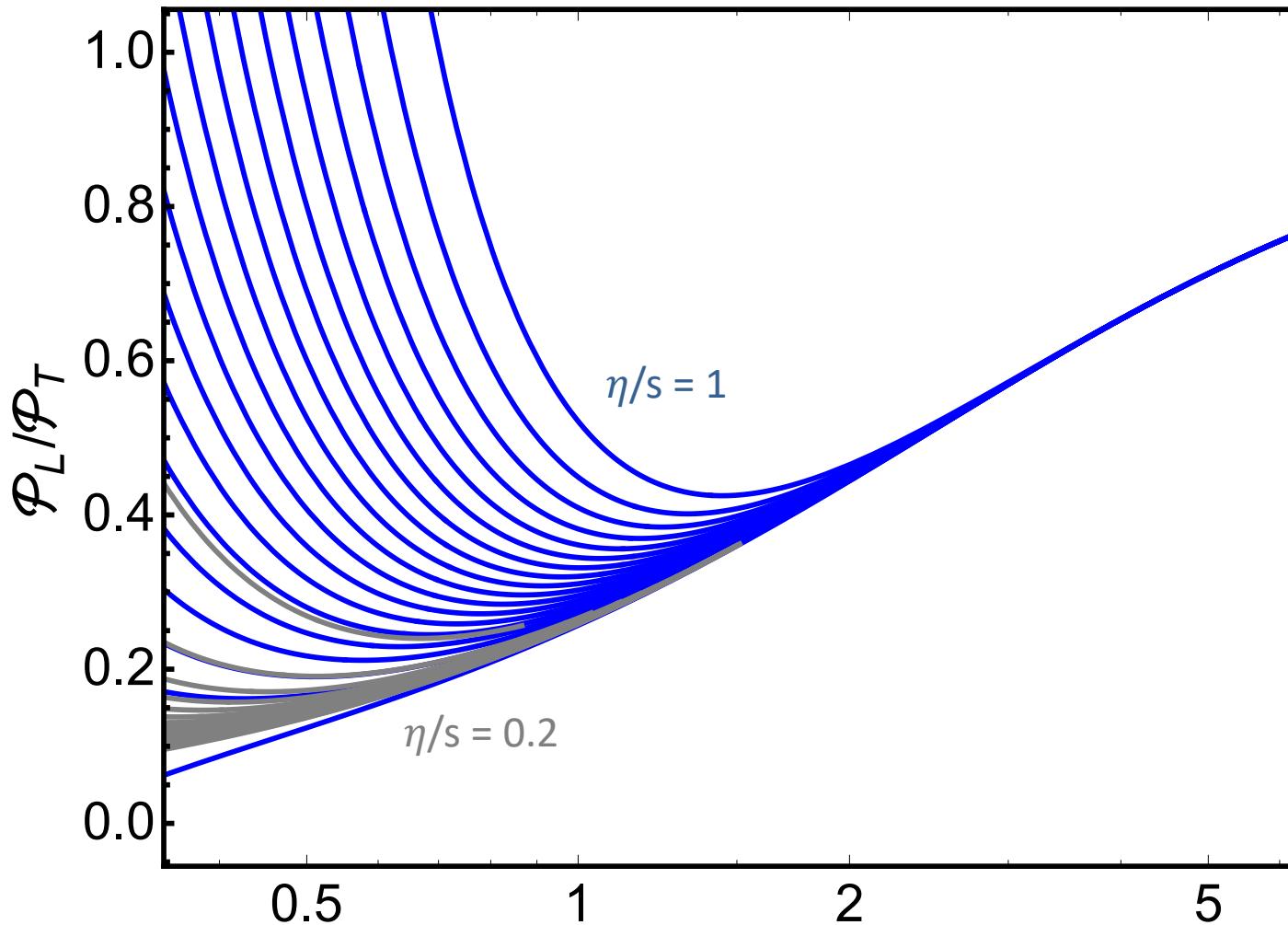
Questions

- Can standard viscous hydrodynamics treatments be able to describe the very early time dynamics reliably?
- If there are large non-eq corrections at early times, will the final results be sensitive to these?
- If I make a mistake at early time does it propagate throughout the simulation?



- Solve equations for different initial conditions and different values of the shear viscosity (gray vs blue)
- Hints of universal behavior at late times visible (similar levels of momentum anisotropy)

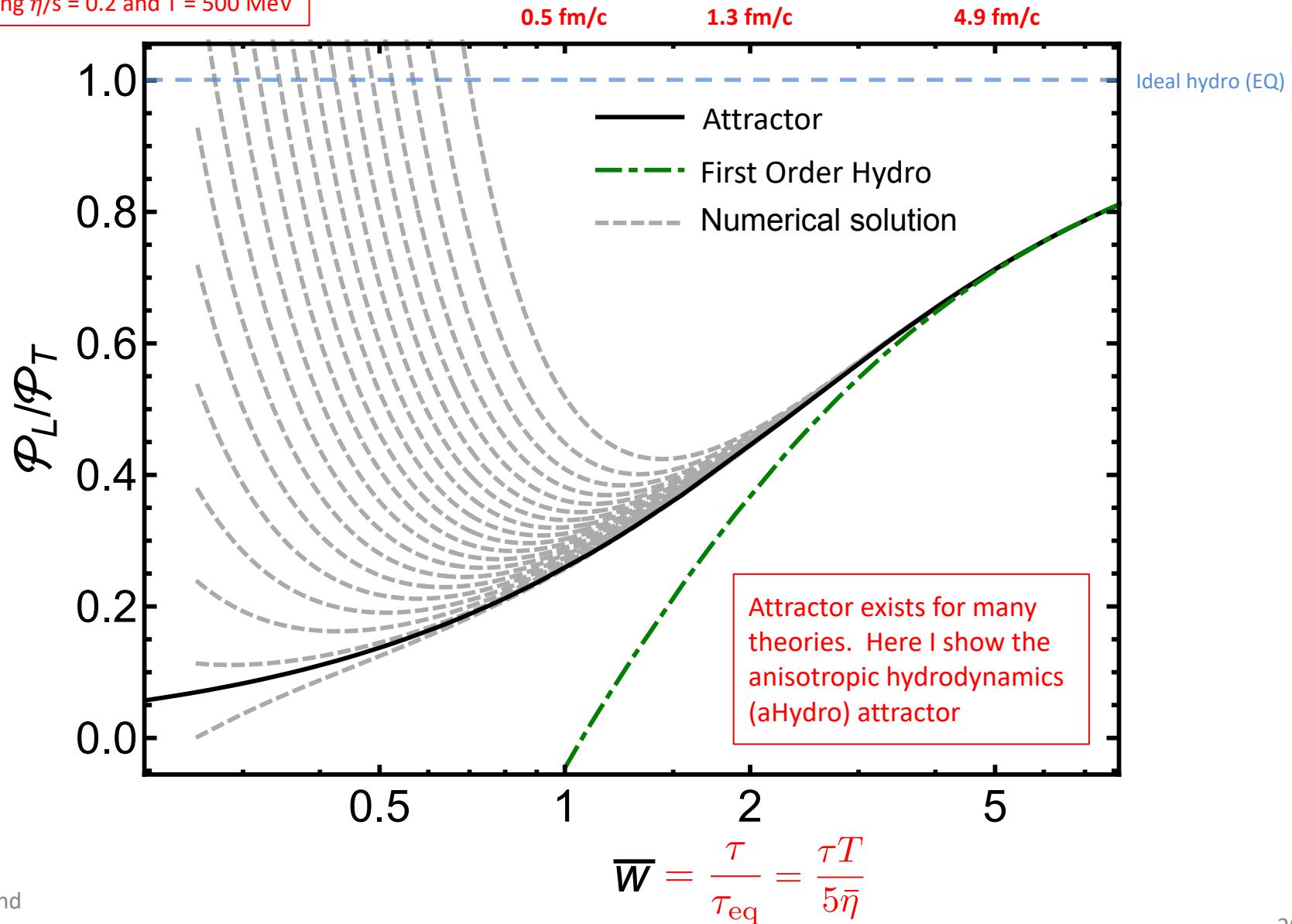
Evidence for an attractor



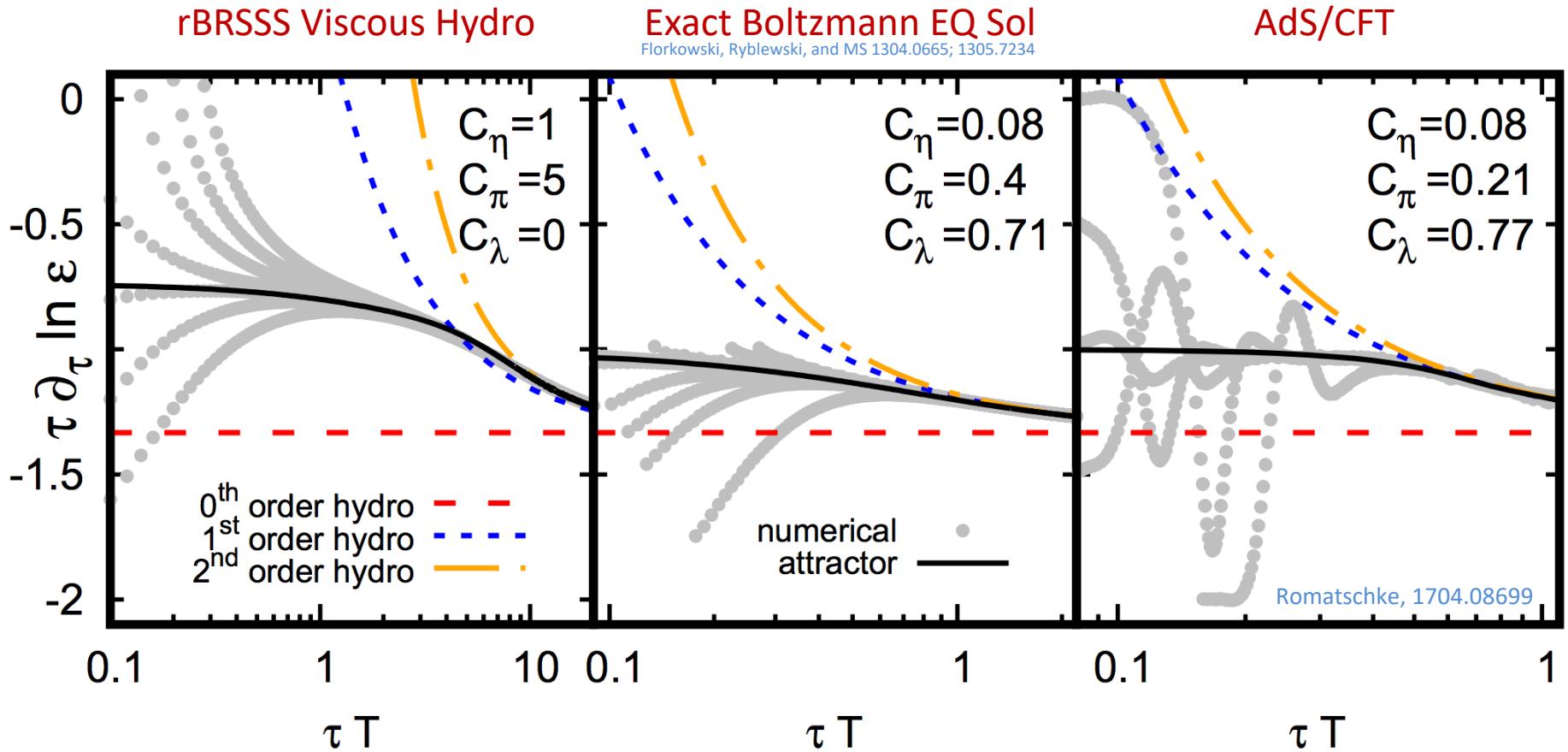
$$\bar{W} = \frac{\tau}{\tau_{\text{eq}}(\tau)} = \frac{\tau T(\tau)}{5\bar{\eta}(\tau)}$$

The attractor concept

Assuming $\eta/s = 0.2$ and $T = 500$ MeV

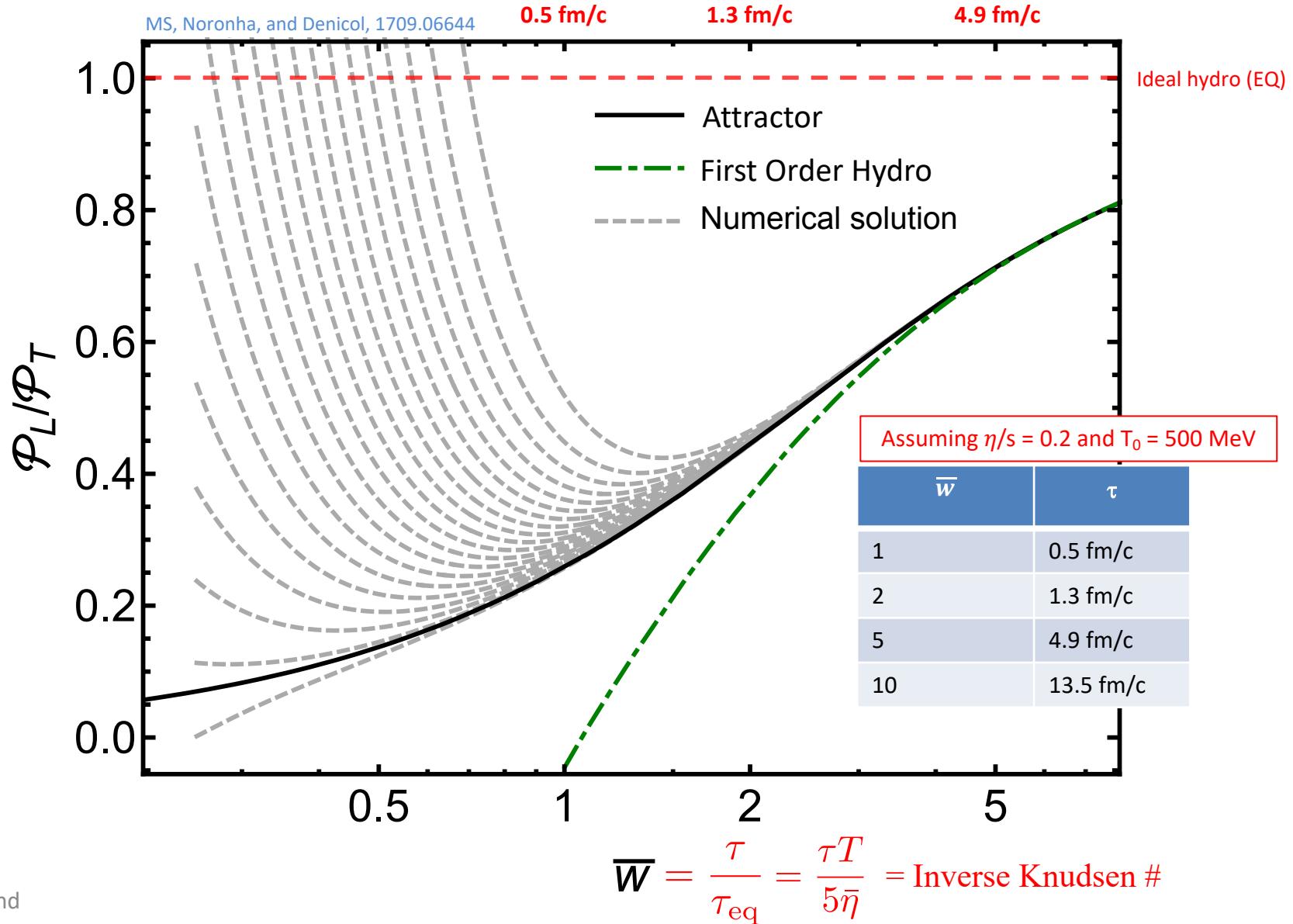


Attractor exists in many theories



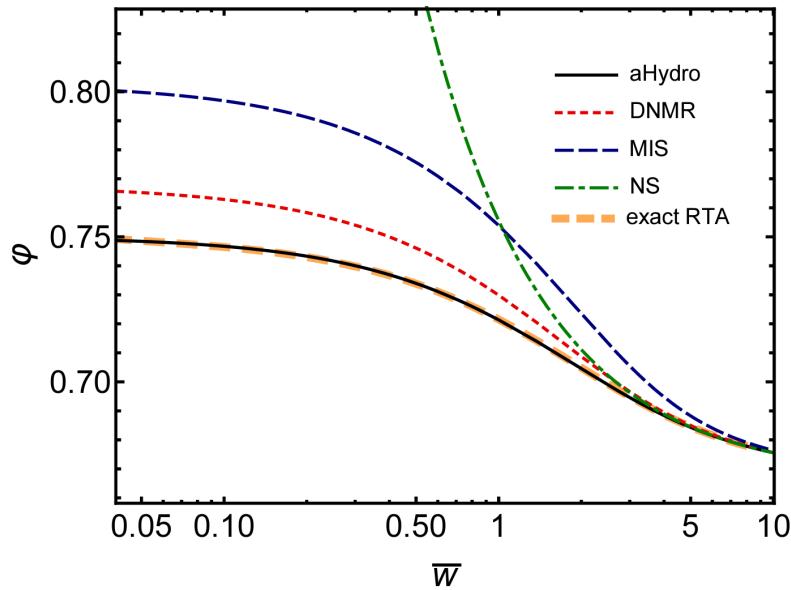
Romatschke, 1704.08699; see also Keegan et al, 1512.05347

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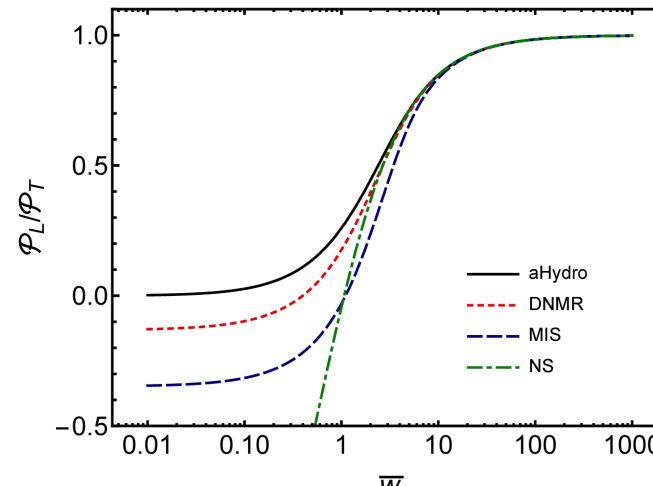
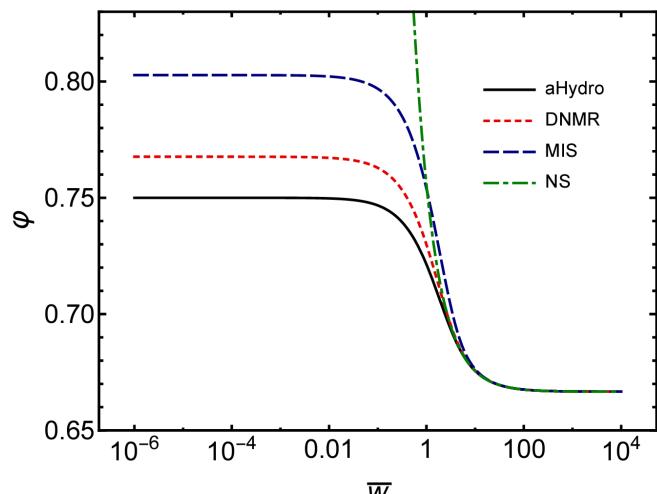
Comparisons to exact solutions in RTA

MS, G. Denicol, and J. Noronha, 1709.06644

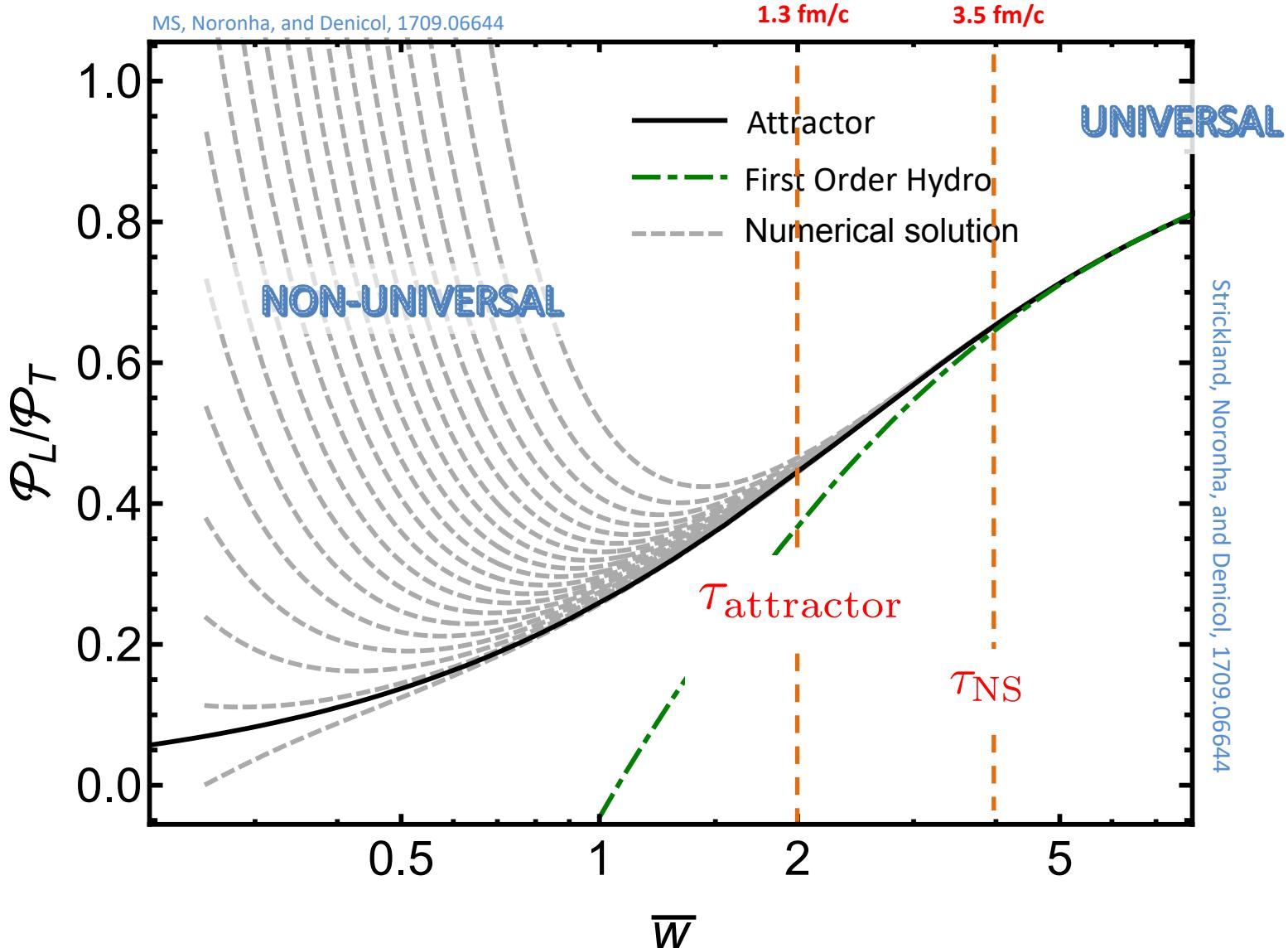


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\bar{w}	τ
1	0.5 fm/c
2	1.3 fm/c
5	4.9 fm/c
10	13.5 fm/c



The attractor concept



Beyond hydrodynamics?

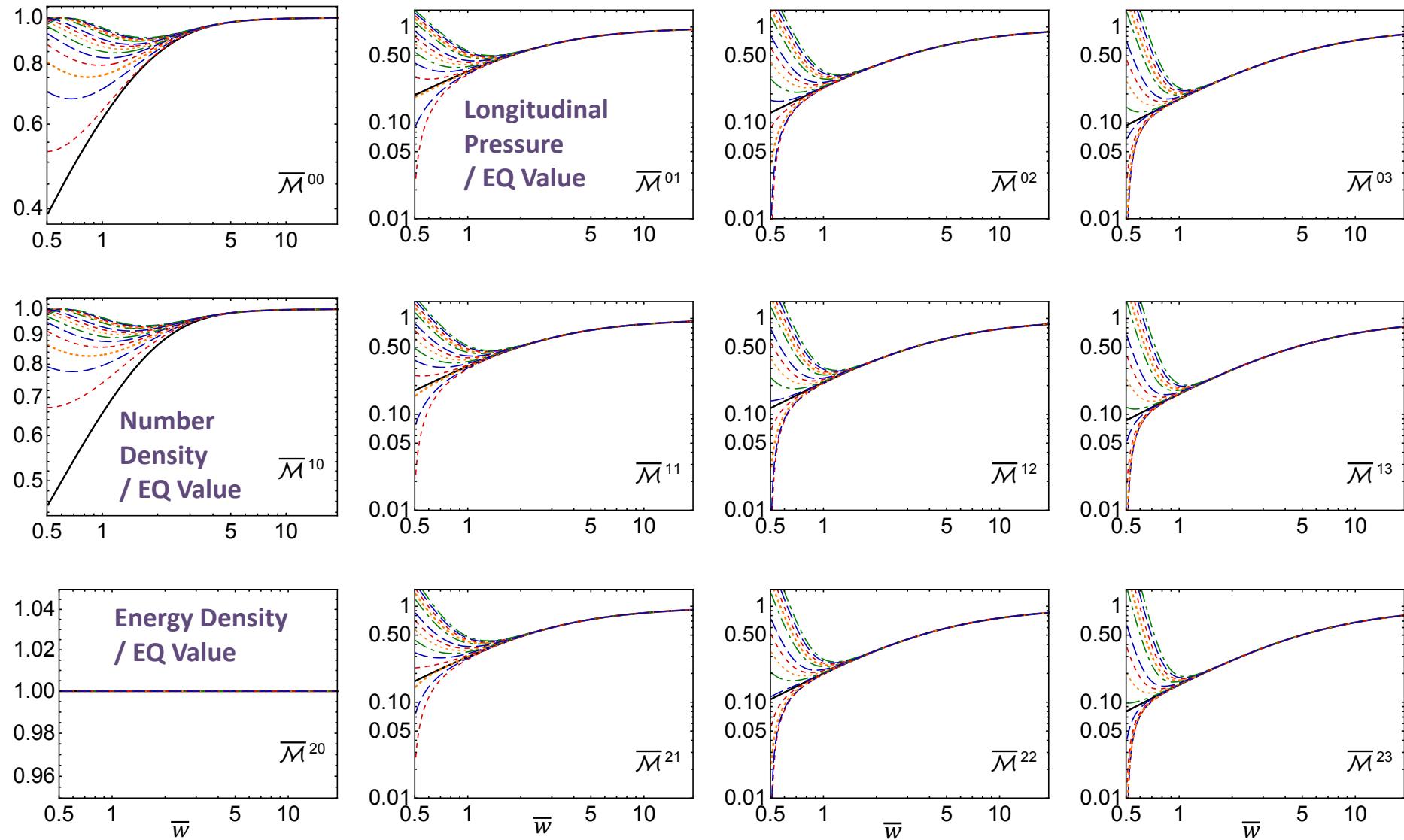
- Can the concept of a non-equilibrium attractor be extended beyond the 14 degrees of freedom described using the energy-momentum tensor, number density, and diffusion current?
- In kinetic theory we describe things in terms of a one-particle distribution function $f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p})$ and the energy-momentum tensor is obtained from low-order moments:

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \int dP p^\mu p^\nu f(x, p) \quad \int dP \equiv \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^2 E}$$

- What about more general moments of f ? Particularly ones that are sensitive to higher momenta?

Behavior of higher order moments in RTA

MS, Journal High Energy Physics 2018, 128 (2018).

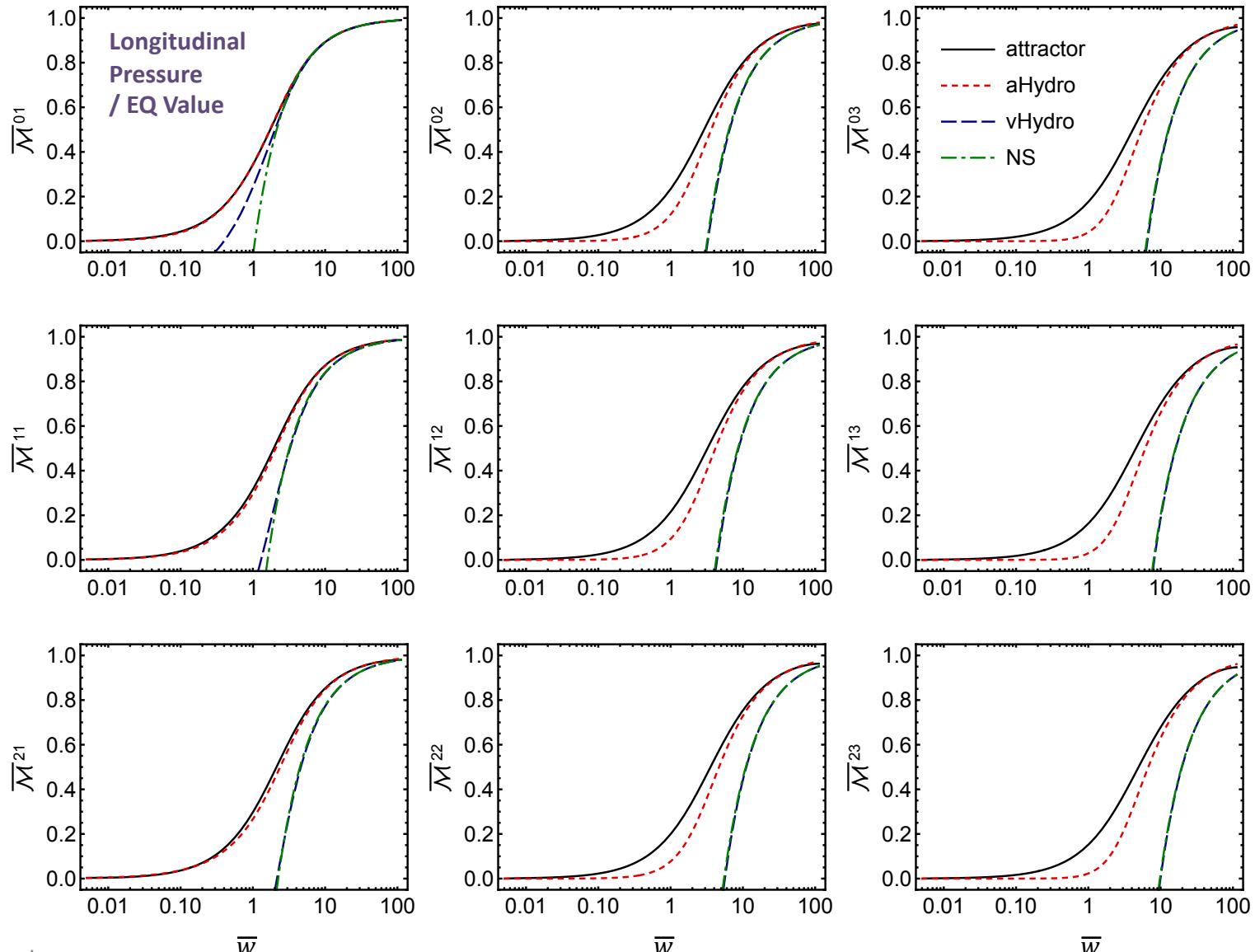


Black Line = Attractor Solution

Dashed colored lines = scan of initial conditions

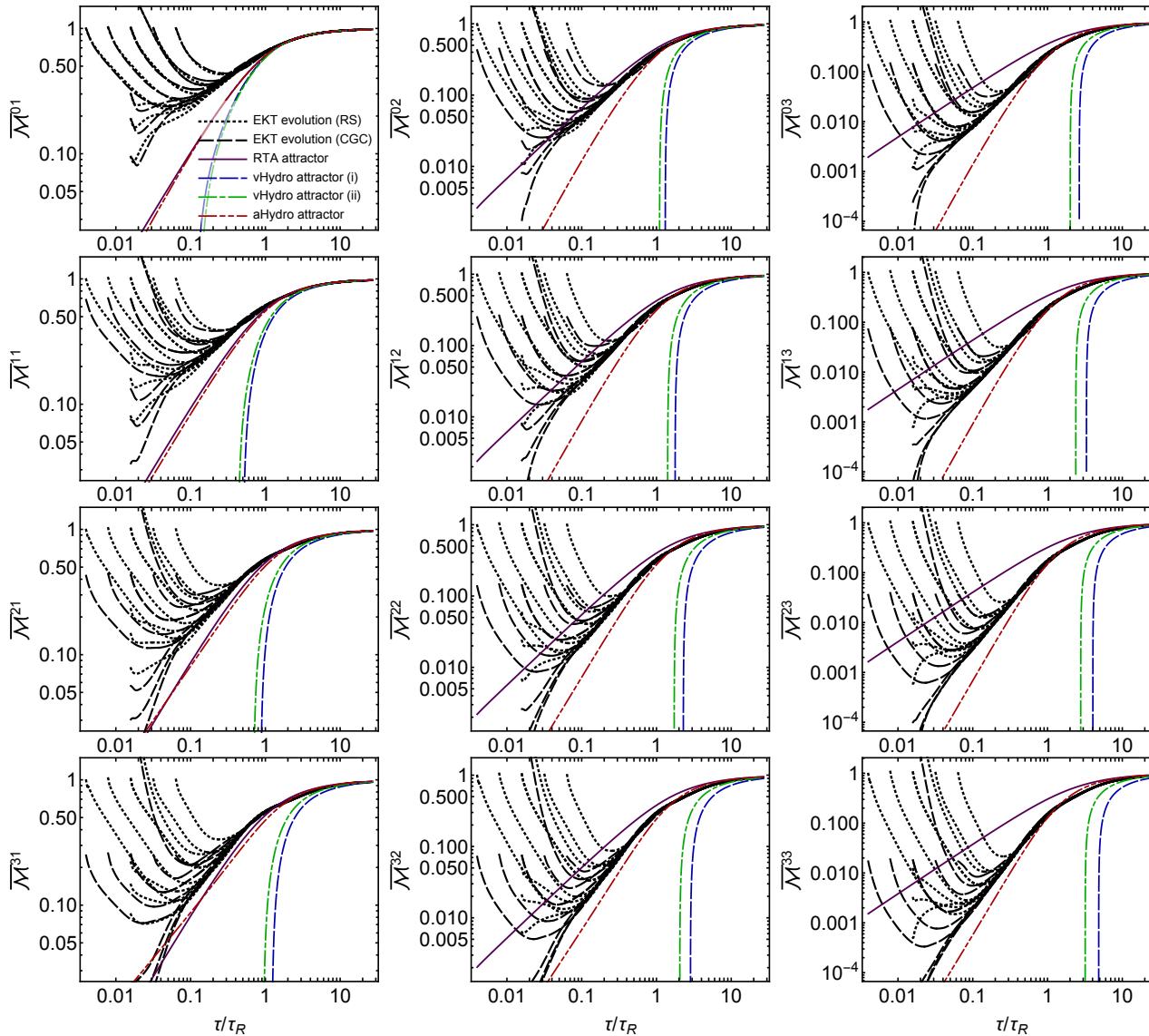
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Similar thing happens in full QCD!

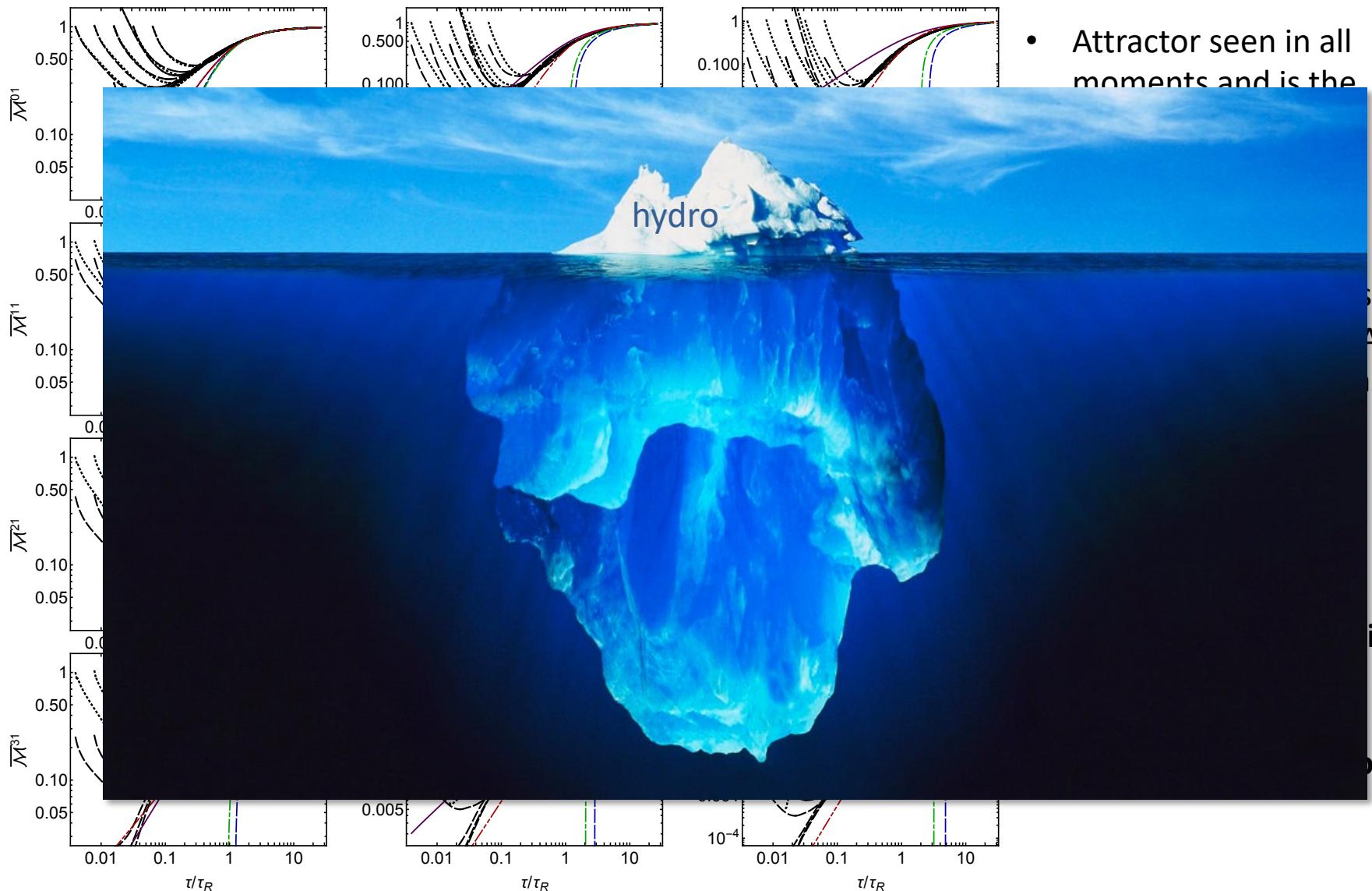
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- Attractor seen in all moments and is the same for both types of initial conditions.
- For low order moments EKT QCD is closer to EQ than RTA and hydro predictions.
- For high order moments the opposite is true.
- **Hydrodynamization is only the tip of the iceberg → Pseudothermalization**

Similar thing happens in full QCD!

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Summary

- Attractors tell us that there is rapid “hydrodynamization” of the system and loss of information (e.g. initial pressure anisotropy) about the system.
- In cases where exact solutions exist, they can be used to test different approximations used in obtained hydrodynamical equations of motion.
- Attractors exist beyond hydrodynamics and extend to early times in the QGP → “pseudo-thermalization”.