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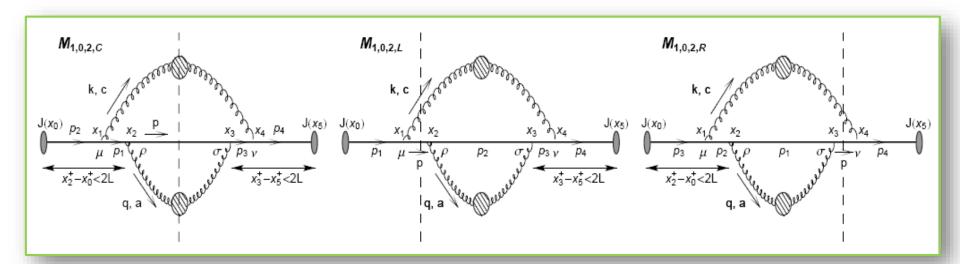
Motivation

- Energy loss of high-pt particles traversing QCD medium is an excellent probe of QGP properties.
- Theoretical predictions can be compared with a wide range of data, coming from different experiments, collision systems, collision energies, centralities, observables...
- Can be used together with low-pt theory and experiments to study the properties of created QCD medium, i.e. for precision QGP tomography.
- Today: An example of how high pt theory and data can be used to infer a geometrical property of bulk QCD medium.

The dynamical energy loss formalism

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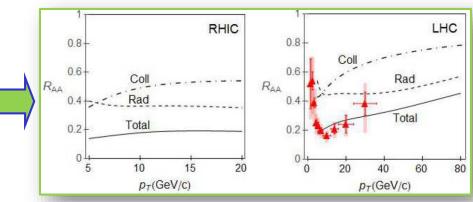
- Finite size finite temperature QCD medium of dynamical (moving) partons
- Based on finite T field theory and generalized HTL approach M. D., PRC74 (2006), PRC 80 (2009), M. D. and U. Heinz, PRL 101 (2008).
- Same theoretical framework for both radiative and collisional energy loss
- Applicable to both light and heavy flavor
- Finite magnetic mass effects (M. D. and M. Djordjevic, PLB 709:229 (2012))
- Running coupling (M. D. and M. Djordjevic, PLB 734, 286 (2014)).
- Relaxed soft-gluon approximation (B. Blagojevic, M. D. and M. Djordjevic, PRC 99, 024901, (2019)).



The dynamical energy loss formalism

All effects are important for accurate description of high pt suppression

(B. Blagojevic and M.D, J.Phys. G42 (2015) 7, 075105 (highlighted in LabTalk).





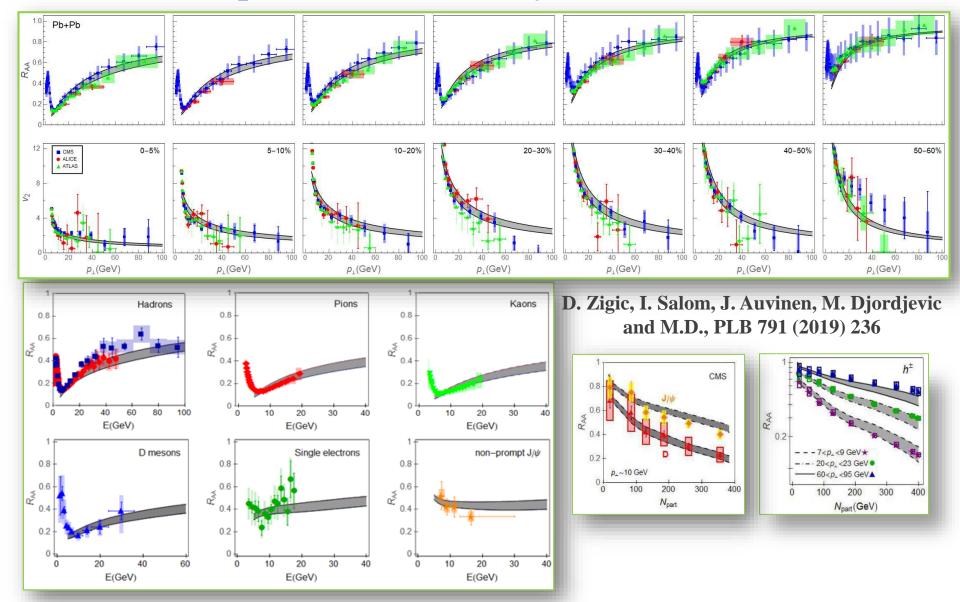
Proposed observable for distinguishing different energy loss mechanisms (M.D., D. Zigic, M. Djordjevic and J. Auvinen, PRC Rapid Communications, in press)

$$R_L^{XePb} \equiv \frac{1 - R_{XeXe}}{1 - R_{PbPb}} \approx \frac{\xi T^a L_{Xe}^b}{\xi T^a L_{Pb}^b} \approx \left(\frac{A_{Xe}}{A_{Pb}}\right)^{b/3} \left(\frac{Coll}{A_{Pb}}\right)^{b/3} \left(\frac{Coll}{A_{Pb}}\right)^{0.9} \left(\frac{Coll}{A$$



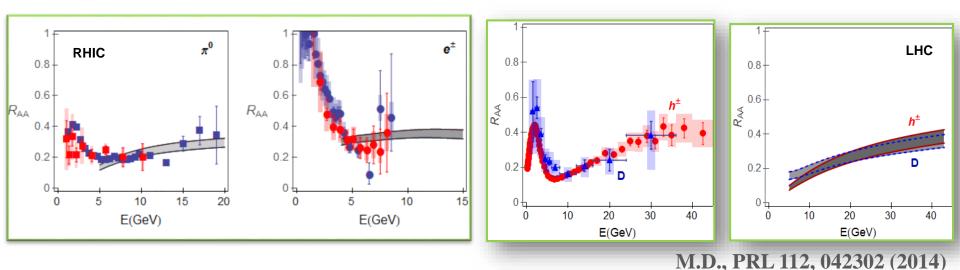
Integrated in DREENA (Dynamical Radiative and Elastic ENergy loss Approach) framework to provide predictions for high pt observables

DREENA-B predictions (1+1D Bjorken evolution medium)

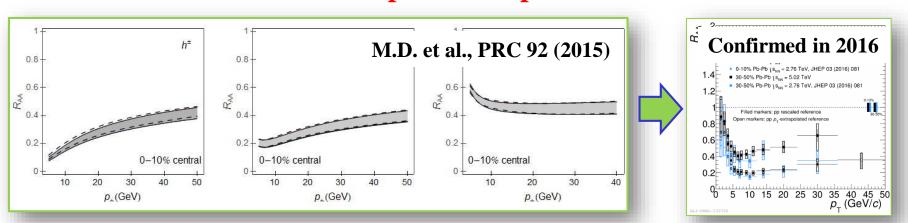


Explains high pt data for different probes, collision energies, and centralities.

Resolved the longstanding "heavy flavour puzzles at RHIC and LHC".



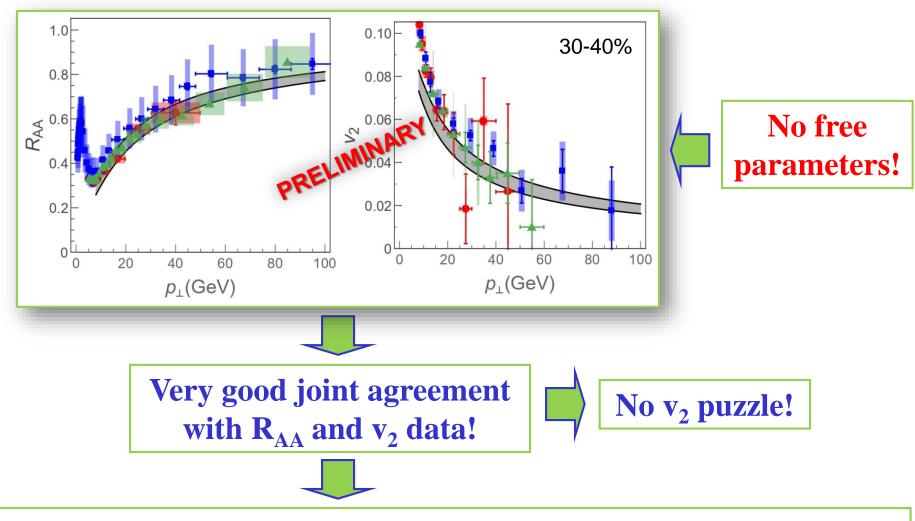
Clear predictive power!



Agreement obtained by the same model and parameter set, no fitting parameters introduced.

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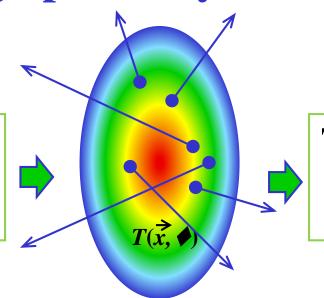
High pt predictions with 3+1D hydro DREENA



For high pt data, proper description of parton-medium interactions is much more important than the medium evolution!

Next Goal: Inferring bulk QGP properties from high pt theory and data

When high energy particles go through QGP they lose energy



This energy loss is sensitive to QGP properties



We can realistically predict this energy loss



High pt probes are powerful tomographic tools



Use them to infer some of bulk QGP properties

Initial spatial anisotropy

Initial spatial anisotropy is one of the main properties of QGP.

A major limiting factor for precision QGP tomography.

Still not possible to directly infer the initial anisotropy from experimental measurements.

Several theoretical studies (MC-Glauber, EKRT, IP-Glasma, MC- KLN) infer the initial anisotropy; lead to notably different predictions, effecting predictions of both low and high pt observables.



Alternative approaches for inferring anisotropy are necessary!

Optimally, these approaches should be complementary to existing predictions.

Based on a method that is fundamentally different to models of early stages of QCD matter.

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A novel approach to extract the initial state anisotropy

- Inference from already available high pt R_{AA} and v_2 measurements (also to be measured with much higher precision in the future).
- Use experimental data (rather than on calculations of early stages of QCD matter).
- Exploit information from interactions of rare high-pt partons with QCD medium.
- Advances the applicability of high pt data.
- Up to now, these data mainly used to study the jetmedium interactions, rather then inferring bulk QGP parameters, such as spatial asymmetry.

What is appropriate observable?

M.D., S. Stojku, M. Djordjevic and P. Huovinen, arXiv:1903.06829

The initial state anisotropy is quantified in terms of eccentricity parameter ε_2 :

$$\epsilon_2 = \frac{\langle y^2 - x^2 \rangle}{\langle y^2 + x^2 \rangle} = \frac{\int dx dy (y^2 - x^2) \rho(x, y)}{\int dx dy (y^2 + x^2) \rho(x, y)}$$

where $\rho(x,y)$ is the initial density distribution of the QGP droplet.

High pt v_2 is sensitive to both the anisotropy of the system and its size.

 R_{AA} is sensitive only to the size of the system.





Can we extract eccentricity from high pt v_2 and R_{AA} data?

Anisotropy observable

Use a scaling arguments for high pt (D. Zigic et al, JPG 46, 085101 (2019); M. D. and M. Djordjevic, PRC 92, 024918 (2015))

$$\Delta E/E \sim \langle T \rangle^a \langle L \rangle^b$$

where within our model $a \approx 1.2$, $b \approx 1.4$, consistent with the data.

$$R_{AA} \approx 1 - \xi \langle T \rangle^a \langle L \rangle^b$$

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$$\approx \xi \langle T \rangle^a \langle L \rangle^b \left(\frac{b}{2} \frac{\Delta L}{\langle L \rangle} - \frac{a}{2} \frac{\Delta T}{\langle T \rangle} \right)$$

$$\frac{v_2}{1-R_{AA}} \approx \left(\frac{b}{2}\frac{\Delta L}{\langle L\rangle} - \frac{a}{2}\frac{\Delta T}{\langle T\rangle}\right)$$
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This ratio carries information on the asymmetry of the system, but through both spatial and temperature variables.

Anisotropy parameter 5

Temperature and spatial assymetry:

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$$\frac{v_2}{1 - R_{AA}} \approx \frac{1}{2} (b - \frac{a}{c}) \frac{\Delta L}{\langle L \rangle} \approx 0.57 \varsigma$$

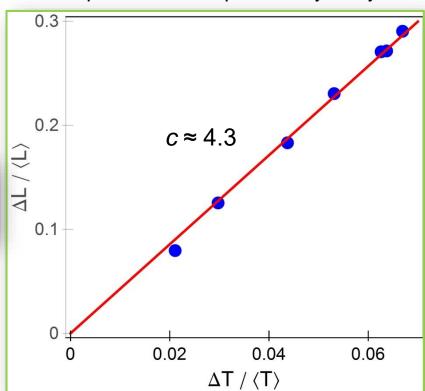
$$\varsigma = \frac{\Delta L}{\langle L \rangle} = \frac{\langle L_{out} - L_{in} \rangle}{\langle L_{out} + L_{in} \rangle}$$





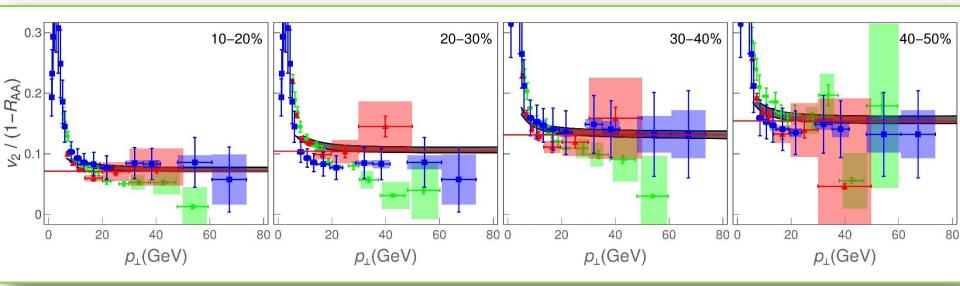
At high pt v_2 over 1- R_{AA} ratio is dictated *solely* by the geometry of the initial fireball.





Anisotropy parameter ς can be directly extracted from the high-pt experimental data.

Predictions vs. data



- Solid red line analytically derived asymptote.
- For each centrality and from pt~20 GeV, $v_2/(1-R_{AA})$ does not depend on pt, but is determined by the geometry of the system.
- The experimental data for ALICE, CMS and ATLAS, show the same tendency, though the error bars for the data are still large.
- In the LHC Run 3, the error bars should reduce by two orders of magnitude.



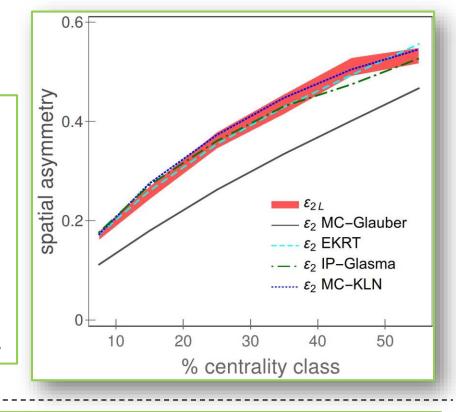
 $v_2/(1-R_{\rm AA})$ indeed carries the information about the system's anisotropy, which can be simply (from the straight line high-pt limit) and robustly (in the same way for each centrality) inferred from experimental data.

Eccentricity

Note that the anisotropy parameter ς is not the commonly used anisotropy parameter ϵ_2 . To facilitate comparison with ϵ_2 values in the literature, we define:

$$\epsilon_{2L} = \frac{\langle L_{out} \rangle^2 - \langle L_{in} \rangle^2}{\langle L_{out} \rangle^2 + \langle L_{in} \rangle^2} = \frac{2\varsigma}{1 + \varsigma^2}$$

and compare with results in the literature.



 ϵ_{2L} is in an excellent agreement with ϵ_2 from which we stared from.



 $v_2/(1-R_{\rm AA})$ – reliable/robust procedure to recover initial state anisotropy.

The width of our ε_{2L} band is smaller than the difference in the ε_2 values obtained by using different models (e.g. MC-Glauber vs. MC-KLN).



Resolving power to distinguish between different initial state models, although it may not be possible to separate the finer details of more sophisticated models.

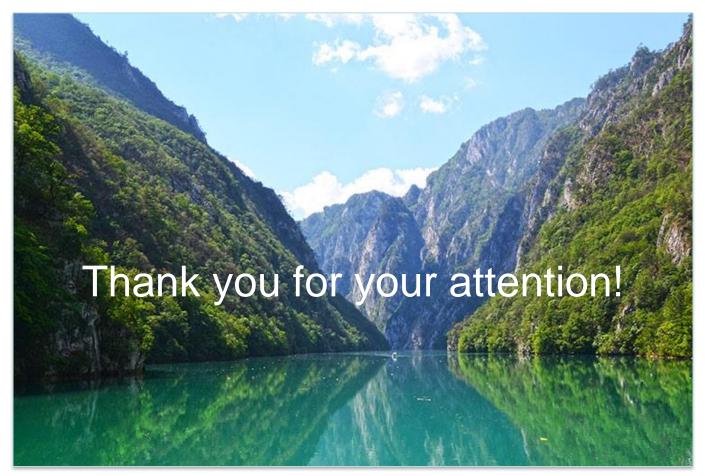
Summary

High-pt theory and data are traditionally used to explore high-pt parton interactions with QGP, while QGP bulk properties are explored through low-pt data and corresponding models.

With a proper description of high-pt medium interactions, high-pt probes can also become powerful tomography tools, as they are sensitive to global QGP properties. We here showed that, in the case of spatial anisotropy of the QCD matter.

With our dynamical energy loss formalism, we showed that a (modified) ratio of R_{AA} and v_2 , presents a reliable and robust observable for straightforward extraction of a initial state anisotropy.

It will be possible to infer the anisotropy directly from LHC Run 3 data; an important constraint to models describing the early stages of QGP formation. This demonstrates the synergy of combining more common approaches for inferring QGP properties with high-pt theory and data.



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