

Hydrodynamics of heavy-ion collisions

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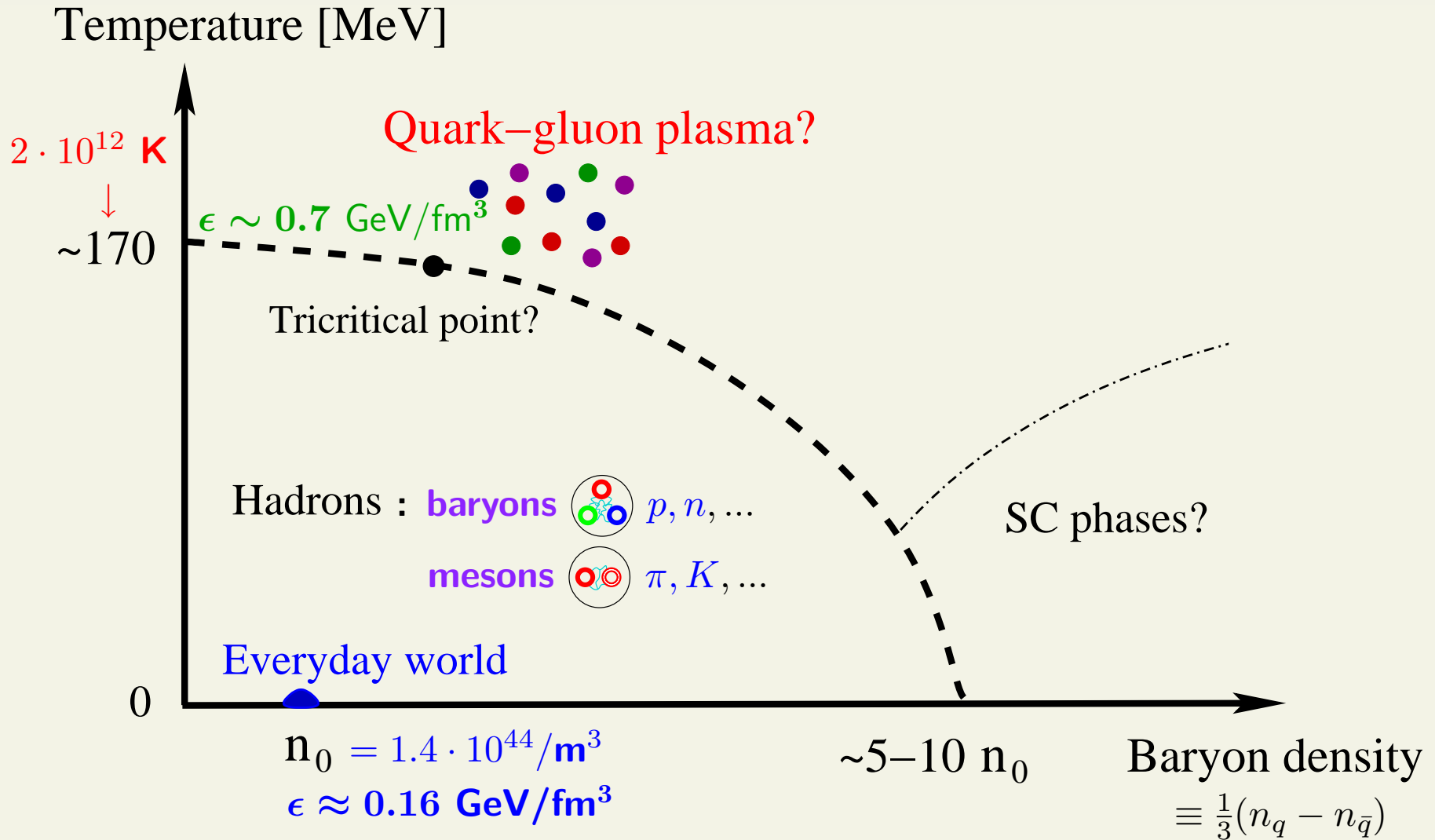
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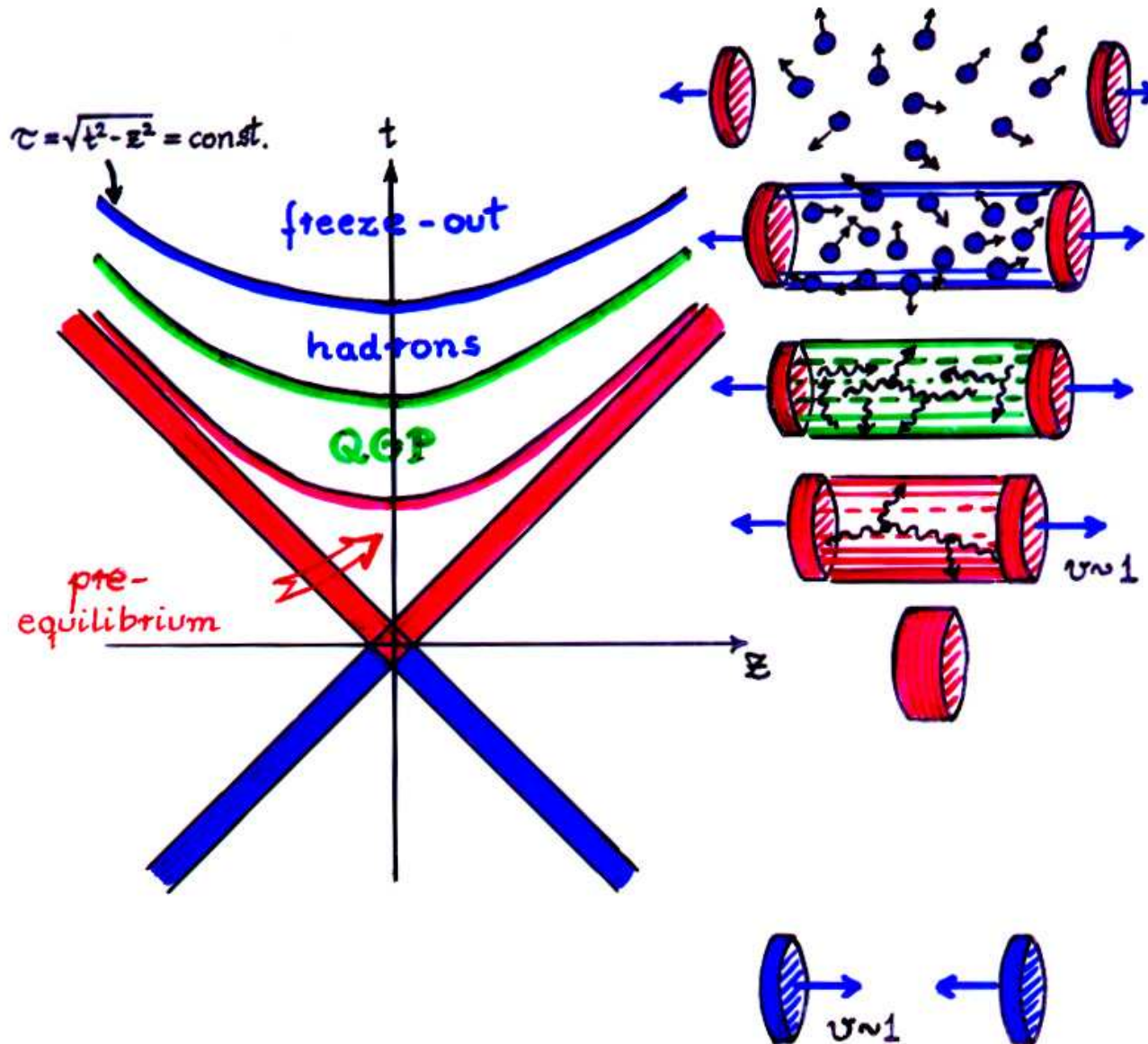
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Nuclear phase diagram



The space-time picture:



Transient matter

- lifetime
 $t \sim 10 \text{ fm}/c$
 $\sim 10^{-23}$ seconds
- small size
 $r \sim 10 \text{ fm}$
 $\sim 10^{-14} \text{ m}$
- rapid expansion

Multiplicity @ LHC

~ 15000

Conservation laws

Conservation of energy and momentum:

$$\partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu}(x) = 0$$

Conservation of charge:

$$\partial_\mu N^\mu(x) = 0$$

Local conservation of particle number and energy-momentum.

\iff **Hydrodynamics!**

This can be generalized to **multicomponent systems** and **systems with several conserved charges**:

$$\partial_\mu N_i^\mu = 0,$$

$i =$ **baryon number**, **strangeness**, **charge**. . .

Consider only baryon number conservation, $i = B$.

⇒ 5 equations contain 14 unknowns!

⇒ The system of equations does not close.

⇒ Provide 9 additional equations or
Eliminate 9 unknowns.

So what are the components of $T^{\mu\nu}$ and N^μ ?

- N^μ and $T^{\mu\nu}$ can be decomposed with respect to arbitrary, normalized, time-like 4-vector u^μ ,

$$u_\mu u^\mu = 1$$

- Define a projection operator

$$\Delta^{\mu\nu} = g^{\mu\nu} - u^\mu u^\nu, \quad \Delta^{\mu\nu} u_\nu = 0,$$

which projects on the 3-space orthogonal to u^μ .

- Then

$$N^\mu = nu^\mu + \nu^\mu$$

where

$n = N^\mu u_\mu$ is (baryon) charge density in the frame where $u = (1, 0)$, local rest frame, LRF

$\nu^\mu = \Delta^{\mu\nu} N_\nu$ is charge flow in LRF,

and

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \epsilon u^\mu u^\nu - P \Delta^{\mu\nu} + q^\mu u^\nu + q^\nu u^\mu + \pi^{\mu\nu}$$

$\epsilon \equiv u_\mu T^{\mu\nu} u_\nu$ energy density in LRF

$P \equiv -\frac{1}{3} \Delta^{\mu\nu} T_{\mu\nu}$ isotropic pressure in LRF

$q^\mu \equiv \Delta^{\mu\alpha} T_{\alpha\beta} u^\beta$ energy flow in LRF

$\pi^{\mu\nu} \equiv [\frac{1}{2}(\Delta^\mu_\alpha \Delta^\nu_\beta + \Delta^\nu_\beta \Delta^\mu_\alpha) - \frac{1}{3} \Delta^{\mu\nu} \Delta_{\alpha\beta}] T^{\alpha\beta}$
 (trace-free) stress tensor in LRF

- The 14 unknowns in 5 equations:

$$\left. \begin{array}{ll} N^\mu & 4 \\ T^{\mu\nu} & 10 \end{array} \right\} \Leftrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} n, \epsilon, P & 3 \\ q^\mu & 3 \\ \nu^\mu & 3 \\ \pi^{\mu\nu} & 5 \end{array} \right.$$

- So far u^μ is **arbitrary**. It attains a **physical meaning** by relating it to N^μ or $T^{\mu\nu}$:

1. **Eckart frame:**

$$u_E^\mu \equiv \frac{N^\mu}{\sqrt{N_\nu N^\nu}}$$

u^μ is 4-velocity of charge flow, $\nu^\mu = 0$.

The 14 unknowns are $n, \epsilon, P, q^\mu, \pi^{\mu\nu}, u^\mu$.

2. **Landau frame:**

$$u_L^\mu \equiv \frac{T^{\mu\nu} u_\nu}{\sqrt{u_\alpha T^{\alpha\beta} T_{\beta\gamma} u^\gamma}}$$

u^μ is 4-velocity of energy flow, $q^\mu = 0$.

The 14 unknowns are $n, \epsilon, P, \nu^\mu, \pi^{\mu\nu}, u^\mu$.

- In general, the hydrodynamical equations are **not closed** and **cannot be solved uniquely**.

Ideal hydrodynamics

Suppose particles are in **local thermodynamical equilibrium**, i.e., single particle phase space distribution function is given by:

$$f_i(x, k) = \frac{g}{(2\pi)^3} \left[\exp \left(\frac{k_\mu u^\mu(x) - \mu(x)}{T(x)} \right) \pm 1 \right]^{-1}$$

where

$T(x)$ and $\mu(x)$: **local temperature and chemical potential**
 $u(x)^\mu$: **local 4-velocity of fluid flow.**

Then kinetic theory definitions give

$$N^\mu(x) \equiv \sum_i q_i \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{k}}{E} k^\mu f_i(x, k) = n(T, \mu) u^\mu$$

$$\begin{aligned} T^{\mu\nu}(x) &\equiv \sum_i \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{k}}{E} k^\mu k^\nu f_i(x, k) \\ &= (\epsilon(T, \mu) + P(T, \mu)) u^\mu u^\nu - P(T, \mu) g^{\mu\nu} \end{aligned}$$

where

$$n(T, \mu) = \sum_i q_i \int d^3\mathbf{k} f_i(x, E) \text{ is local charge density,}$$

$$\epsilon(T, \mu) = \sum_i \int d^3\mathbf{k} E f_i(x, E) \text{ is local energy density and}$$

$$P(T, \mu) = \sum_i \int d^3\mathbf{k} \frac{\mathbf{k}^2}{3E} f_i(x, E) \text{ is local pressure.}$$

Note! $f(x, E)$ is distribution in **local rest frame**: $u^\mu = (1, \mathbf{0})$.

→ **Local** thermodynamical **equilibrium** implies **there is no viscosity**:

$$\nu^\mu = q^\mu = \pi^{\mu\nu} = 0.$$

Ideal fluid approximation:

$$N^\mu = nu^\mu$$

$$T^{\mu\nu} = (\epsilon + P)u^\mu u^\nu - Pg^{\mu\nu}$$

- **Local equilibrium** \Rightarrow **no viscosity**: $\nu^\mu = q^\mu = \pi^{\mu\nu} = 0$.
- Now N^μ and $T^{\mu\nu}$ contain **6 unknowns**, ϵ , P , n and u^μ , but there are still only **5 equations**!
- In thermodynamical equilibrium ϵ , P and n are not independent! They are specified by two variables, T and μ .
- The **equation of state** (EoS), $P(T, \mu)$ eliminates one unknown!
- Any **equation of state** of the form

$$P = P(\epsilon, n)$$

closes the system of hydrodynamic equations and makes it **uniquely solvable** (given initial conditions).

Remark: $P = P(\epsilon, n)$ is not a **complete equation of state** in a thermodynamical sense.

A complete equation of state allows to compute all thermodynamic variables.

For example, $s = s(\epsilon, n)$: $ds = 1/T d\epsilon - \mu/T dn$ (1st law of thermod.)

$$\frac{1}{T} = \left. \frac{\partial s}{\partial \epsilon} \right|_n, \quad \frac{\mu}{T} = - \left. \frac{\partial s}{\partial n} \right|_\epsilon, \quad P = Ts + \mu n - \epsilon$$

$P = P(\epsilon, n)$ **does not work!**

$$\left. \frac{\partial P}{\partial \epsilon} \right|_n =? \quad \left. \frac{\partial P}{\partial n} \right|_\epsilon =?$$

However, $P = P(T, \mu)$ **does work!**

$$dP = s dT + n d\mu \quad \Rightarrow \quad s = \left. \frac{\partial P}{\partial T} \right|_\mu, \quad n = \left. \frac{\partial P}{\partial \mu} \right|_T$$

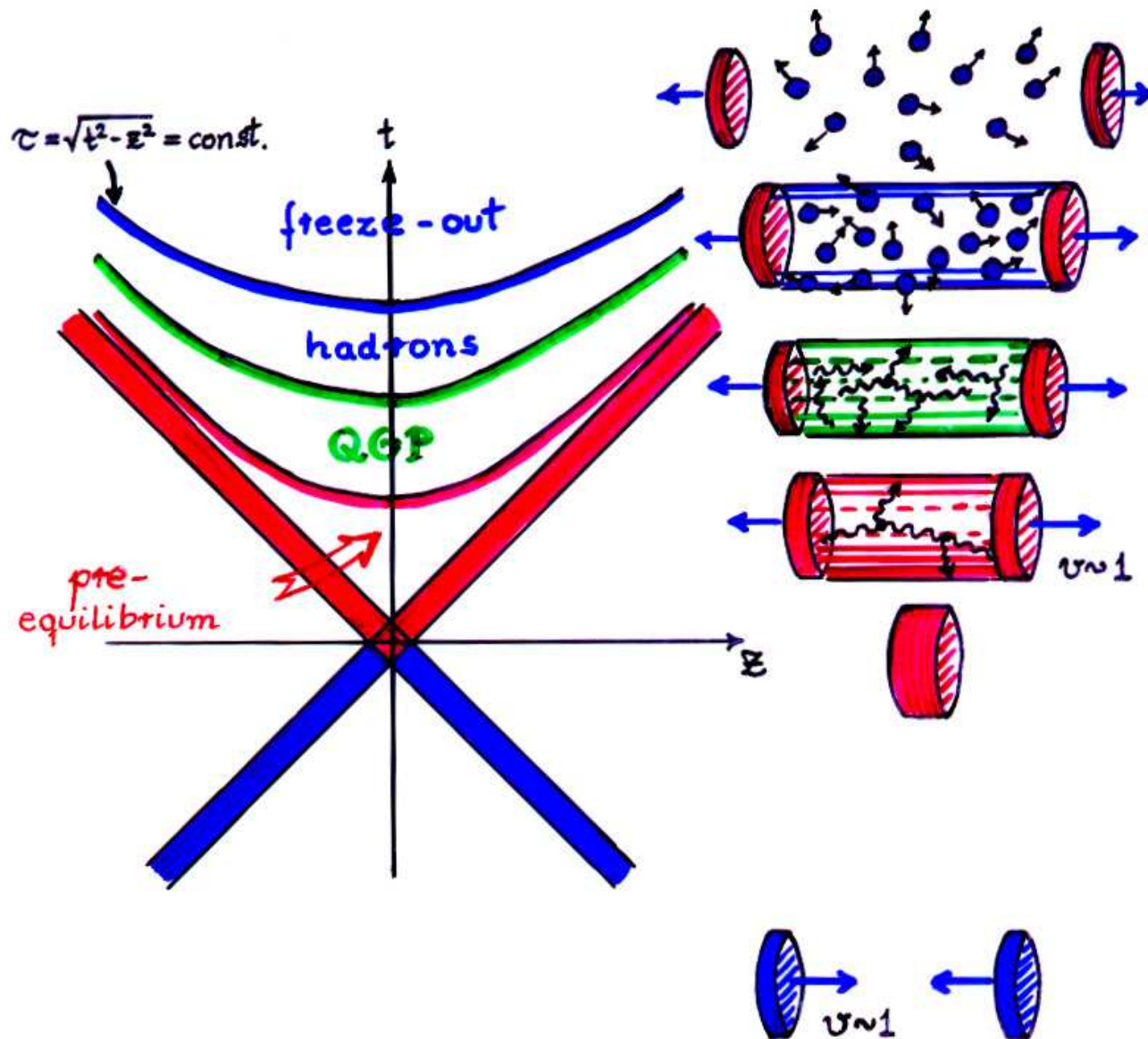
Entropy in ideal fluid

is conserved!

$$\partial_{\mu} S^{\mu} = 0$$

where $S^{\mu} = su^{\mu}$.

The space-time picture:



Usefulness of hydro?

- Initial state: **unknown**
 - Equation of state: **unknown**
 - Transport coefficients: **unknown**
 - Freeze-out: **unknown**
- } \Rightarrow **Predictive power?**

– *“Hydro doesn’t know where to start nor where to end” (M. Prakash)*

Usefulness of hydro?

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 - Equation of state: **want to study**
 - Transport coefficients: **want to study**
 - Freeze-out: **unknown**
- } ⇒ **Predictive power?**

⇒ **Need More Constraints!**

“Hydrodynamical method”

1. Use **another model** to fix unknowns (and **add new assumptions. . .**)
 - **initial:** color glass condensate or pQCD+saturation
 - **initial and/or final:** hadronic cascade
 - etc.
2. Use data to fix parameters:

Principle

- use one set of data

\Leftrightarrow

$$\left. \frac{dN}{dy p_T dp_T} \right|_{b=0} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{dN}{dy}(b)$$

- fix parameters to fit it

\Leftrightarrow

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \epsilon_{0,\max} = 29.6 \text{ GeV/fm}^3 \\ \tau_0 = 0.6 \text{ fm}/c \\ T_{fo} = 130 \text{ MeV} \end{array} \right.$$

- predict another set of data

\Leftrightarrow

HBT, photons & dileptons,
elliptic flow. . .

Equations of motion

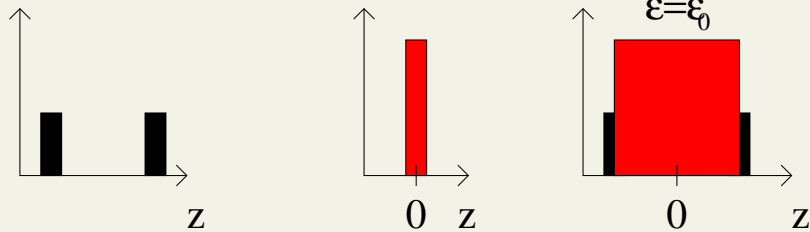
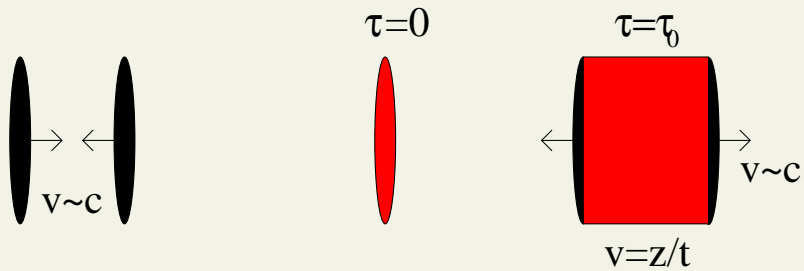
Conservation laws lead to the equations of motion for relativistic fluid:

$$\begin{aligned} Dn &= -n\partial_\mu u^\mu \\ D\epsilon &= -(\epsilon + P)\partial_\mu u^\mu \\ (\epsilon + P)Du^\mu &= \nabla^\mu P, \end{aligned}$$

where

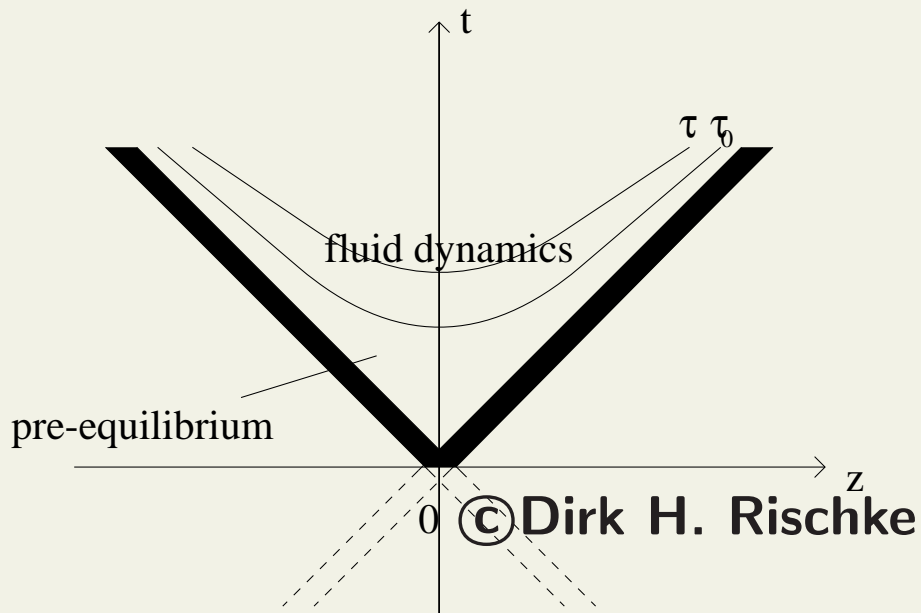
$$D = u^\mu \partial_\mu \quad \text{and} \quad \nabla^\mu = \Delta^{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu.$$

Bjorken hydrodynamics

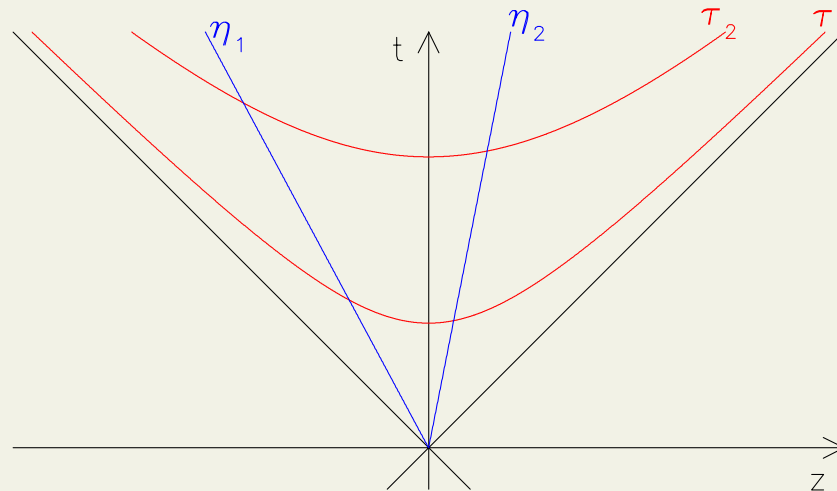


- At very large energies, $\gamma \rightarrow \infty$ and "Landau thickness" $\rightarrow 0$
- Lack of longitudinal scale \Rightarrow **scaling flow**

$$v = \frac{z}{t}$$



- Practical coordinates to describe scaling flow expansion are



- Longitudinal proper time τ :

$$\tau \equiv \sqrt{t^2 - z^2} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad t = \tau \cosh \eta$$

- Space-time rapidity η :

$$\eta = \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{t+z}{t-z} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad z = \tau \sinh \eta$$

- **Scaling flow** $v = z/t \Rightarrow$ **fluid flow rapidity** $y = \eta$:

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{1+v}{1-v} = \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{1+z/t}{1-z/t} = \eta$$

- **Ignore transverse expansion:**

Hydrodynamic equations turn out to be **particularly simple**:

$$\left. \frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial \tau} \right|_{\eta} = -\frac{\epsilon + P}{\tau} \quad (1)$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial P}{\partial \eta} \right|_{\tau} = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial n}{\partial \tau} \right|_{\eta} = -\frac{n}{\tau} \quad (3)$$

- **Eq. (2) \Rightarrow**

- **No force between fluid elements with different η !**
- $P = P(\tau)$, **no η -dependence!**

- Eq. (2) + thermodynamics:

$$0 = \left. \frac{\partial P}{\partial \eta} \right|_{\tau} = s \left. \frac{\partial T}{\partial \eta} \right|_{\tau} + n \left. \frac{\partial \mu}{\partial \eta} \right|_{\tau}$$

If $n = 0$, $T = T(\tau) \Rightarrow T = \text{const. on } \tau = \text{const. surface.}$

- In general T and ϵ not constant on $\tau = \text{const. surface}$, but usually they are assumed to be
 \Rightarrow **boost invariance: the system looks the same in all reference frames!**

$$\epsilon = \epsilon(\tau), \quad n = n(\tau)$$

- Note that still

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} T^{\mu\nu} \neq 0 \neq \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} u^{\mu}$$

Vector and tensor quantities at finite η Lorentz boosted from values at $\eta = 0$

- Thermodynamics:

$$d\epsilon = T ds + \mu dn$$

$$\epsilon + P = Ts + \mu n$$

- Eq. (1):

$$\frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial \tau} + \frac{\epsilon + P}{\tau} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow T \frac{\partial s}{\partial \tau} + \mu \frac{\partial n}{\partial \tau} + T \frac{s}{\tau} + \mu \frac{n}{\tau} = 0$$

$$\text{(Eq. (3))} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial s}{\partial \tau} + \frac{s}{\tau} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow s(\tau) = s_0 \frac{\tau_0}{\tau}$$

$$\Rightarrow s\tau = \text{const.} \Rightarrow dS/d\eta = \text{const}$$

independent of the equation of state!

- Time evolution of baryon density:

$$\text{Eq. (3)} \Rightarrow n(\tau) = n_0 \frac{\tau_0}{\tau} \Rightarrow dN/d\eta = \text{const}$$

also independent of the EoS.

- Time evolution of energy density and temperature depend on the EoS.
- Assume ideal gas equation of state, $P = \frac{1}{3}\epsilon$, $\epsilon \propto T^4$:

$$\text{Eq. (1)} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial \tau} + \frac{4\epsilon}{3\tau} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \epsilon(\tau) = \epsilon_0 \left(\frac{\tau_0}{\tau} \right)^{\frac{4}{3}}$$

$$\Rightarrow T(\tau) = T_0 \left(\frac{\tau_0}{\tau} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

- Note: τ_0 : initial time, thermalization time

Application: Initial energy density estimate

1. “Bjorken estimate”

- At $y = 0$, $E_T = E$
- Thus measuring

$$\left. \frac{dE_T}{dy} \right|_{y=0}$$

gives total energy at $y = 0$.

- Estimate the initial volume:

$$V = A \Delta z = \pi R^2 \tau_0 \Delta \eta$$

- Thus

$$\epsilon = \frac{1}{\pi R^2 \tau_0 \Delta \eta} E = \frac{1}{\pi R^2 \tau_0} \frac{dE_T}{dy}$$

- Take $R = 6.3$ fm and $\tau_0 = 1$ fm/c:

$$\textcircled{\text{S}} \text{ SPS: } \frac{dE_T}{dy} \approx 400 \text{ GeV} \rightarrow \epsilon \sim 3.2 \text{ GeV/fm}^3$$

$$\textcircled{\text{R}} \text{ RHIC: } \frac{dE_T}{dy} \approx 620 \text{ GeV} \rightarrow \epsilon \sim 5.0 \text{ GeV/fm}^3$$

- Note that in this approach

$$\epsilon(\tau) = \epsilon_0 \frac{\tau_0}{\tau}$$

No longitudinal work is done.

- Pressure **does work** during expansion, $dE = -Pd\tau$:

$$\frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial \tau} = \frac{\epsilon + P}{\tau} \Rightarrow d(\epsilon\tau) = Pd\tau$$

Highly nontrivial

2. Entropy conservation

- Assume **ideal gas of massless particles**:

$$s = 4n \Rightarrow \frac{dS}{dy} = 4 \frac{dN}{dy}$$

$$s = \frac{4g}{\pi^2} T^3$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{3g}{\pi^2} T^4$$

- With $sT = \text{const.}$ these give

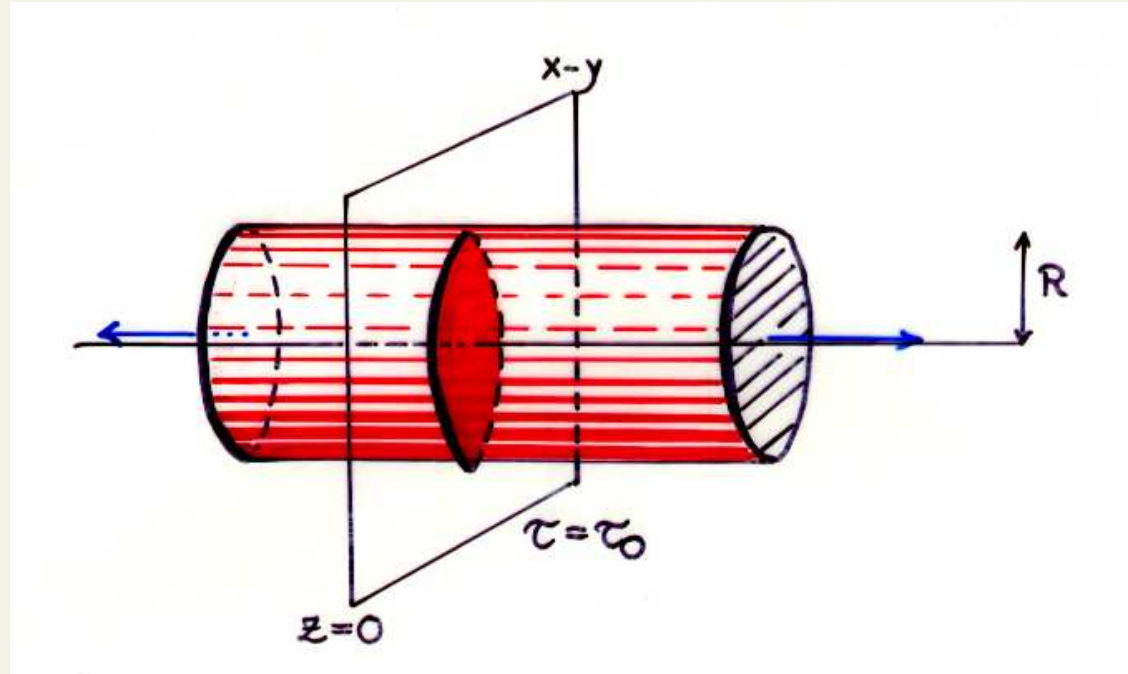
$$\epsilon_0 = \frac{3}{\pi^{\frac{2}{3}} R^{\frac{8}{3}} \tau_0^{\frac{4}{3}} g^{\frac{1}{3}}} \left(\frac{dN}{dy} \right)^{\frac{4}{3}}$$

$$\text{@ RHIC: } \frac{dN}{dy} \approx 1000$$

$$g = 40 \text{ (2 flavours + gluons)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \epsilon_0 \approx 6.0 \text{ GeV/fm}^3$$

Transverse expansion and flow



- Transverse expansion will set in **latest** at $\tau = R/c_s \approx 10$ fm
- **Lifetimes in one dimensional expansion** ~ 30 fm
- **One dimensional** expansion an **oversimplification**
- **2+1D**: longitudinal Bjorken, transverse expansion solved numerically
- **3+1D**: expansion in all directions solved numerically

- Define **speed of sound** c_s :

$$c_s^2 = \left. \frac{\partial P}{\partial \epsilon} \right|_{s/n_b}$$

- large $c_s \Rightarrow$ **“stiff EoS”**
- small $c_s \Rightarrow$ **“soft EoS”**
- For baryon-free matter in rest frame

$$(\epsilon + P)Du^\mu = \nabla^\mu P \quad \iff \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} u_\mu = -\frac{c_s^2}{s} \partial_\mu s$$

\Rightarrow **The stiffer the EoS, the larger the acceleration**

Initial conditions

- **Initial time** from early thermalization argument (+finetuning. . .)
- **Total entropy** to fit the multiplicity
- **Density distribution?**
- Multiplicity is proportional to the number of participants
- Glauber model: number of participants/binary collisions

$$N_{part}(b) = \int dx dy T_A(x + b/2, y)[\dots]$$

where

$$T_A(x, y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz \rho(x, y, z) \quad \text{and} \quad \rho(x, y, z) = \frac{\rho_0}{1 + e^{\frac{r-R_0}{a}}}$$

are nuclear thickness function and nuclear density distribution

- “Differential Optical Glauber:”

Number of participants per unit area in transverse plane:

$$n_{\text{WN}}(x, y; b) = T_A(x + b/2, y) \left[1 - \left(1 - \frac{\sigma}{B} T_B(x - b/2, y) \right)^B \right] \\ + T_B(x - b/2, y) \left[1 - \left(1 - \frac{\sigma}{A} T_A(x - b/2, y) \right)^A \right]$$

Number of binary collisions per unit area

$$n_{\text{BC}}(x, y; b) = \sigma_{pp} T_A(x + b/2, y) T_B(x - b/2, y)$$

- MC-Glauber:

- sample $\rho(x, y, z)$ to get the positions of nucleons in 2 nuclei
- count # of nucleons closer than $\sqrt{\sigma_{pp}/\pi}$ in the collision
- this gives n_{WN} and n_{BC}
- repeat to get enough statistics

Various flavors of Glauber

1. **eWN: energy density** $\epsilon(x, y; b) \propto n_{\text{WN}}$
2. **eBC: energy density** $\epsilon(x, y; b) \propto n_{\text{BC}}$
3. **sWN: entropy density** $s(x, y; b) \propto n_{\text{WN}}$
4. **sBC: entropy density** $s(x, y; b) \propto n_{\text{BC}}$
5. any combination of these!

- **multiplicity as function of centrality**

$$\implies \epsilon(x, y; b) = \kappa \cdot \epsilon_{\text{WN}} + (1 - \kappa) \cdot \epsilon_{\text{BC}}$$

$$\text{or } s(x, y; b) = \lambda \cdot s_{\text{WN}} + (1 - \lambda) \cdot s_{\text{BC}}$$

Equation of state

- Final state includes π 's, K 's, nucleons. . .
 - ⇒ EoS of **interacting** hadron gas
 - ⇒ well approximated by **non-interacting** gas of hadrons and resonances

$$P(T) = \sum_i \int d^3p \frac{p^2}{3E} f(p, T)$$

- Plasma EoS (=massless parton gas) with proper statistics and $\mu_B \neq 0$:

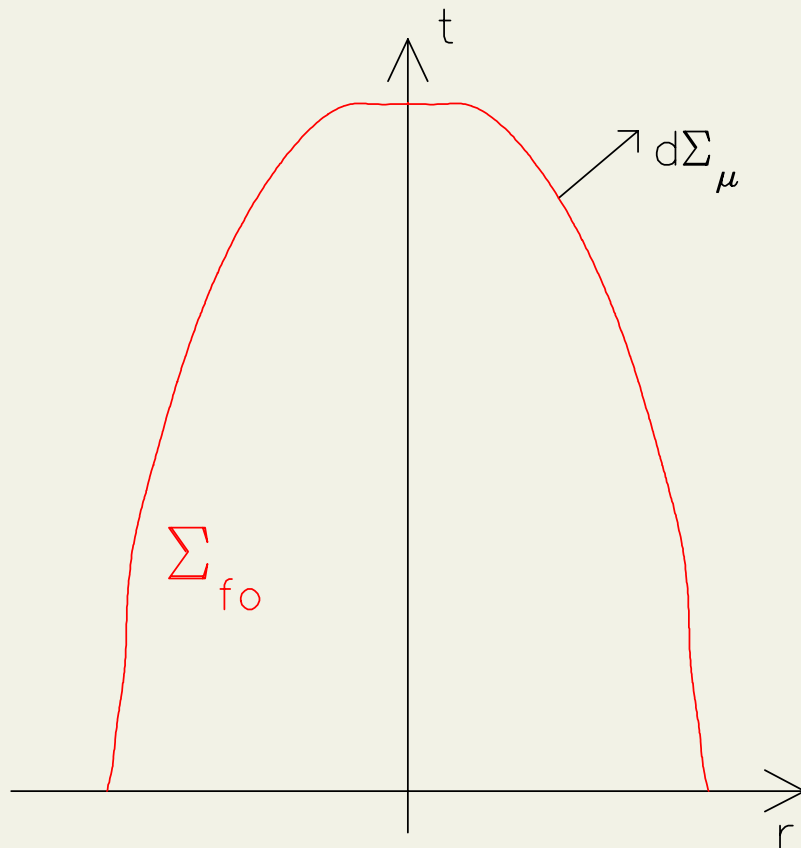
$$P(T, \mu) = \frac{(32 + 21N_f)\pi^2}{180} T^4 + \frac{1}{9} \mu_B^2 T^2 + \frac{1}{192\pi^2} \mu_B^4 - B$$

⇒ First order phase transition by Maxwell construction

- OR **parametrized lattice result** (only at $\mu_B = 0$):
 - ⇒ match your favourite smoothly to HRG

When to end?

- **Particles** are observed, **not fluid**
- How and when to convert fluid to particles?
- i.e. **how far is hydro valid?**



- Kinetic equilibrium requires **scattering rate** \gg **expansion rate**
- **Scattering rate** $\tau_{sc}^{-1} \sim \sigma n \propto \sigma T^3$
- **Expansion rate** $\theta = \partial_{\mu} u^{\mu}$
- Fluid description breaks down when $\tau_{sc}^{-1} \approx \theta$
- **momentum distributions freeze-out**
- $\tau_{sc}^{-1} \propto T^3 \rightarrow$ rapid transition to free streaming
- **Approximation:** decoupling takes place on **constant temperature** hypersurface Σ_{fo} , at $T = T_{fo}$

Cooper-Frye

- Number of **particles emitted** = Number of **particles crossing** Σ_{fo}

$$\Rightarrow N = \int_{\Sigma_{\text{fo}}} d\Sigma_{\mu} N^{\mu}$$

- Frozen-out particles do not interact anymore: **kinetic theory**

$$\Rightarrow N^{\mu} = \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{p}}{E} p^{\mu} f(x, p \cdot u)$$

$$\Rightarrow N = \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{p}}{E} \int_{\Sigma_{\text{fo}}} d\Sigma_{\mu} p^{\mu} f(x, p \cdot u)$$

- **Invariant single inclusive momentum spectrum: (Cooper-Frye formula)**

$$E \frac{dN}{d\mathbf{p}^3} = \int_{\Sigma_{\text{fo}}} d\Sigma_{\mu} p^{\mu} f(x, p \cdot u)$$

Cooper and Frye, PRD 10, 186 (1974)

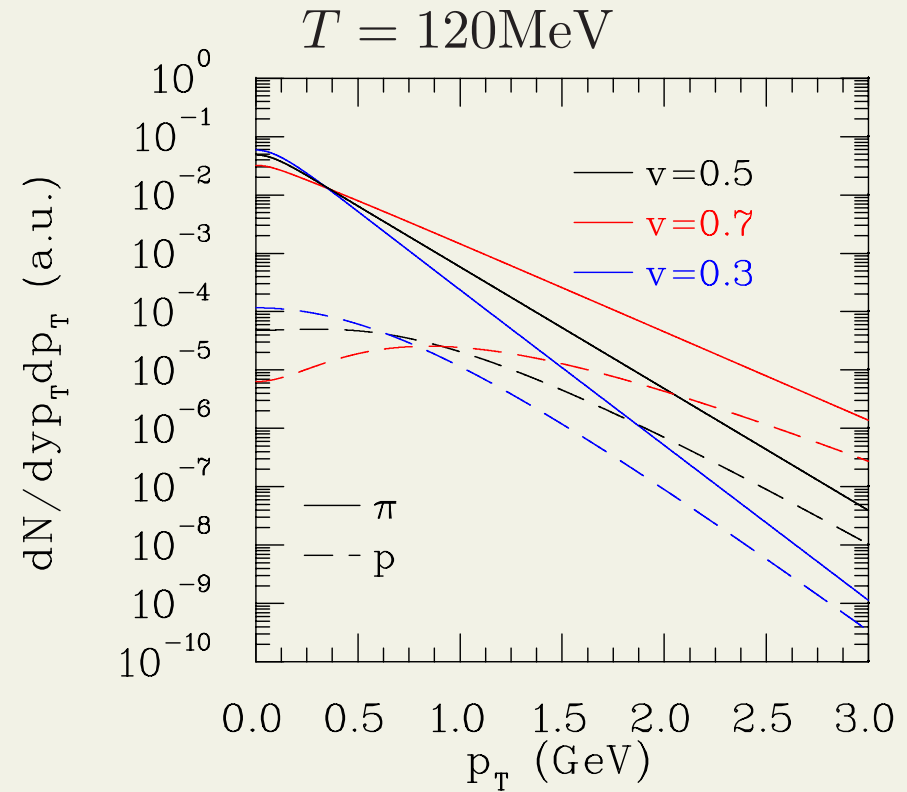
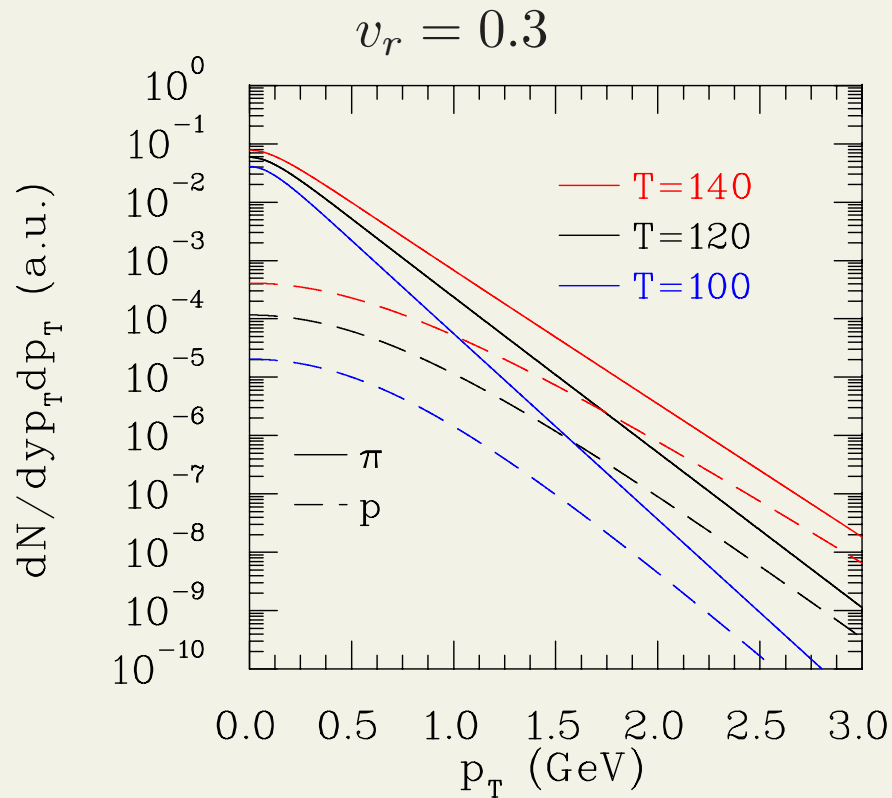
Blast wave

(Siemens and Rasmussen, PRL 42, 880 (1979))

- Freeze-out surface a **thin cylindrical shell** **radius** r , **thickness** dr , **expansion velocity** v_r , **decoupling time** τ_{fo} , **boost invariant**
- Cooper-Frye for Boltzmannions

$$\frac{dN}{dy p_T dp_T} = \frac{g}{\pi} \tau_{fo} r m_T I_0\left(\frac{v_r \gamma_r p_T}{T}\right) K_1\left(\frac{\gamma_r m_T}{T}\right)$$

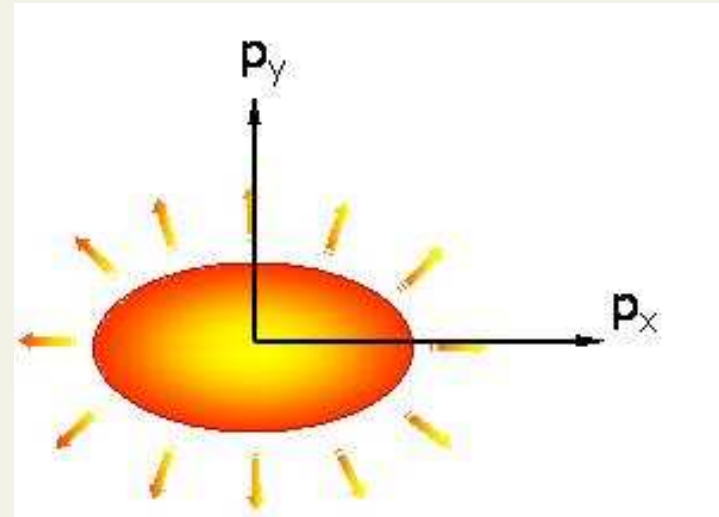
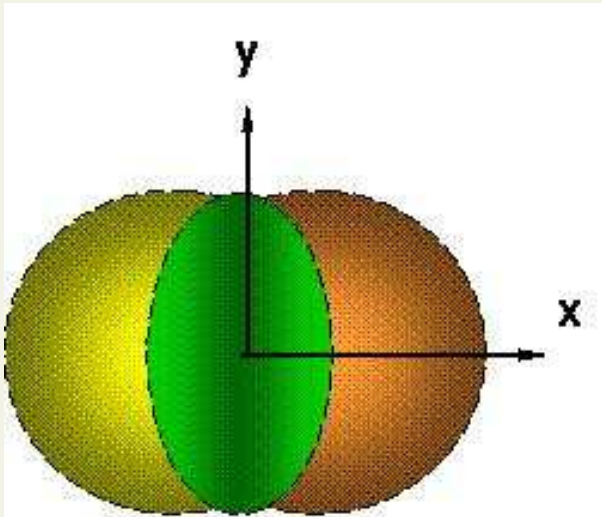
effect of temperature and flow velocity



- The larger the temperature, the flatter the spectra
- The larger the velocity, the flatter the spectra \Rightarrow blueshift
- The heavier the particle, the more sensitive it is to flow (shape and slope)

Elliptic flow v_2

spatial anisotropy \rightarrow final azimuthal momentum anisotropy



- Anisotropy in coordinate space + rescattering
 \Rightarrow Anisotropy in momentum space

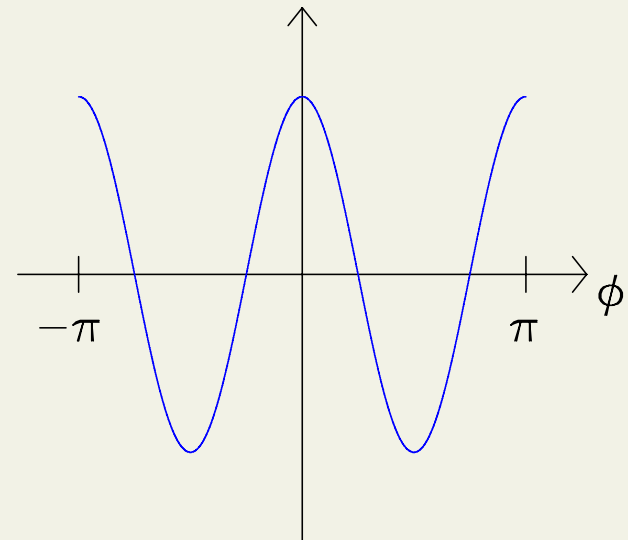
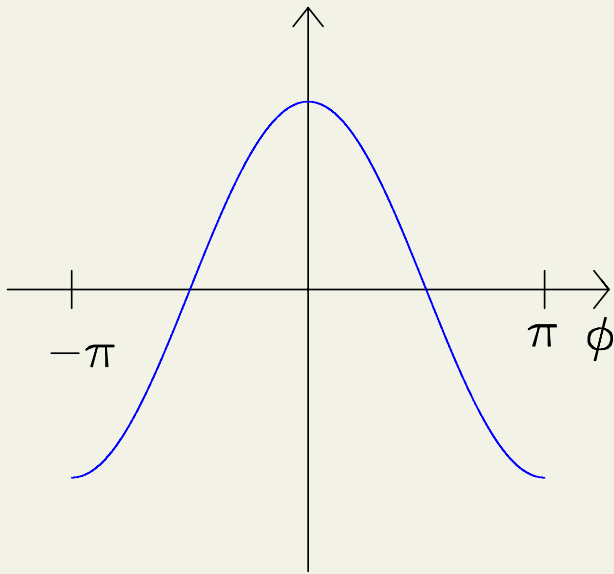
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} u_x = -\frac{c_s^2}{s} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} s \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} u_y = -\frac{c_s^2}{s} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} s$$

Elliptic flow v_2

- Fourier expansion of momentum distribution:

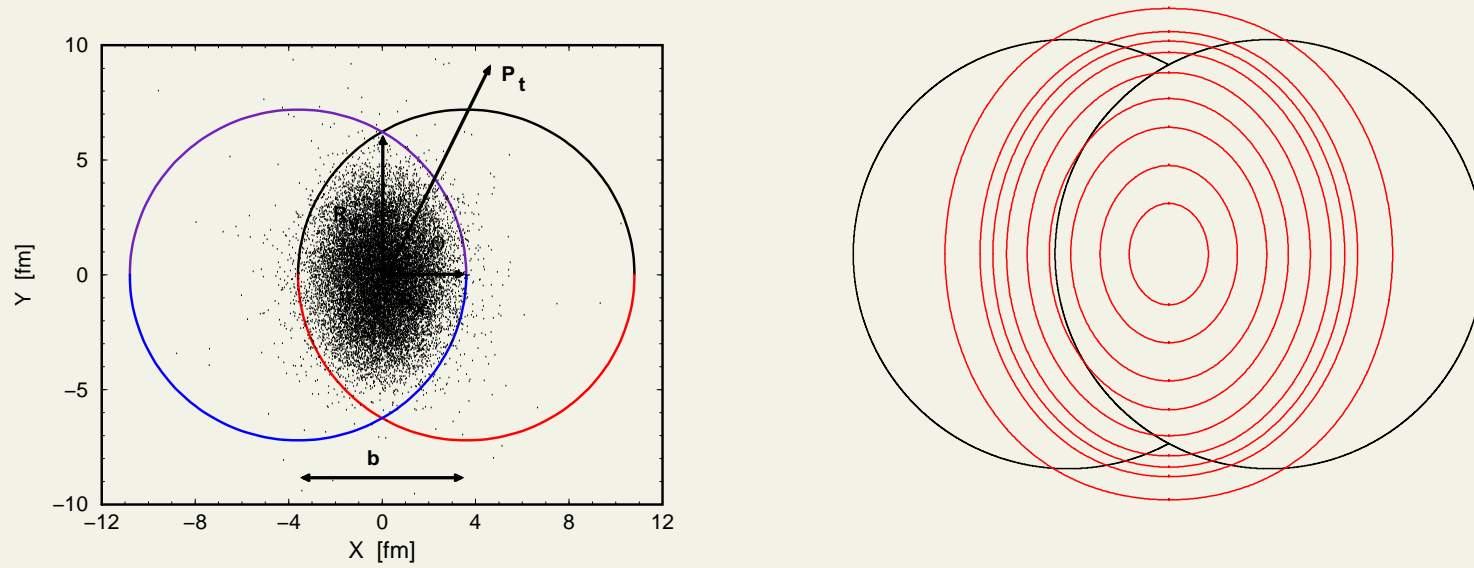
$$\frac{dN}{dy p_T dp_T d\phi} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{dN}{dy p_T dp_T} (1 + 2v_1(y, p_T) \cos \phi + 2v_2(y, p_T) \cos 2\phi + \dots)$$

v_1 : **Directed flow**: preferred direction v_2 : **Elliptic flow**: preferred plane



sensitive to **speed of sound** $c_s^2 = \partial p / \partial e$ and **shear viscosity** η

Measures of anisotropy



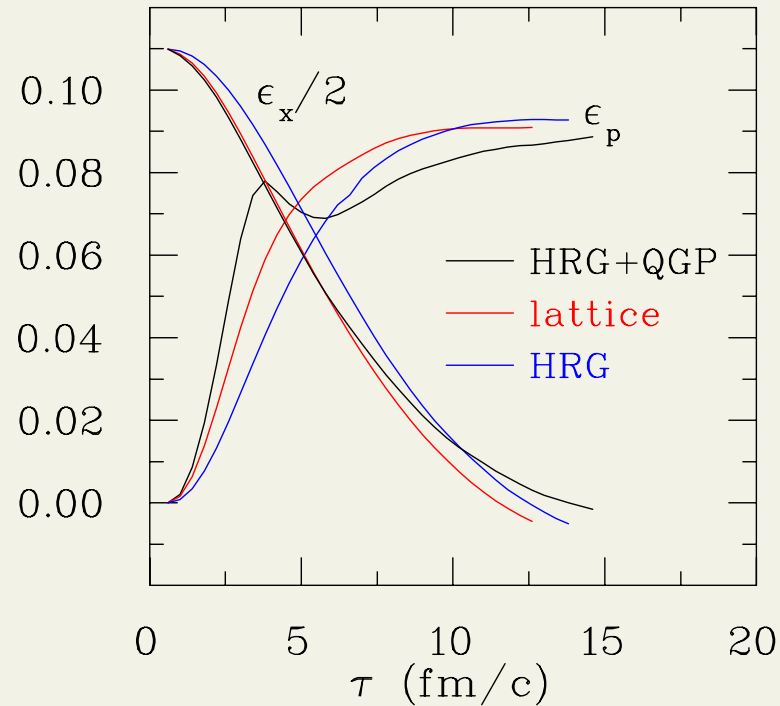
- **Spatial eccentricity**

$$\epsilon_x = \frac{\langle\langle y^2 - x^2 \rangle\rangle}{\langle\langle y^2 + x^2 \rangle\rangle} = \frac{\int dx dy \epsilon \cdot (y^2 - x^2)}{\int dx dy \epsilon \cdot (y^2 + x^2)}$$

- **Momentum anisotropy**

$$\epsilon_p = \frac{\langle T^{xx} - T^{yy} \rangle}{\langle T^{xx} + T^{yy} \rangle} = \frac{\int dx dy T^{xx} - T^{yy}}{\int dx dy T^{xx} + T^{yy}}$$

- **Au+Au @ RHIC, $b = 6$ fm:**



- ϵ_x decreases during the evolution \Rightarrow **elliptic flow is self-quenching**
- Most of ϵ_p is **built up early** in the evolution

v_2

- Not only **collective** but also **thermal** motion
- Elliptic flow v_2 a.k.a. **p_T -averaged v_2** :

$$v_2 = \frac{\langle p_x^2 - p_y^2 \rangle}{\langle p_x^2 + p_y^2 \rangle} = \frac{\int d\phi \cos(2\phi) \frac{dN}{dy d\phi}}{dN/dy}$$

- **p_T -differential v_2**

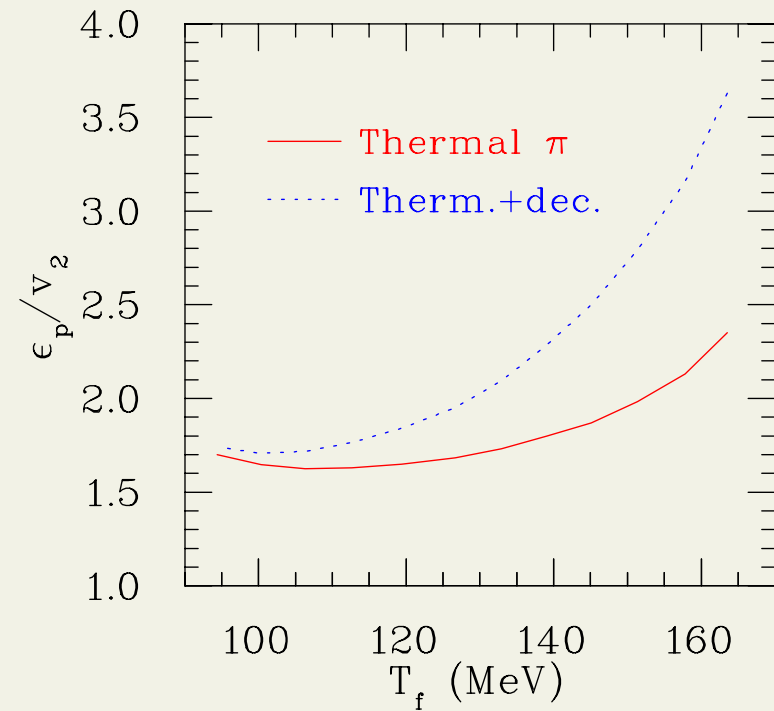
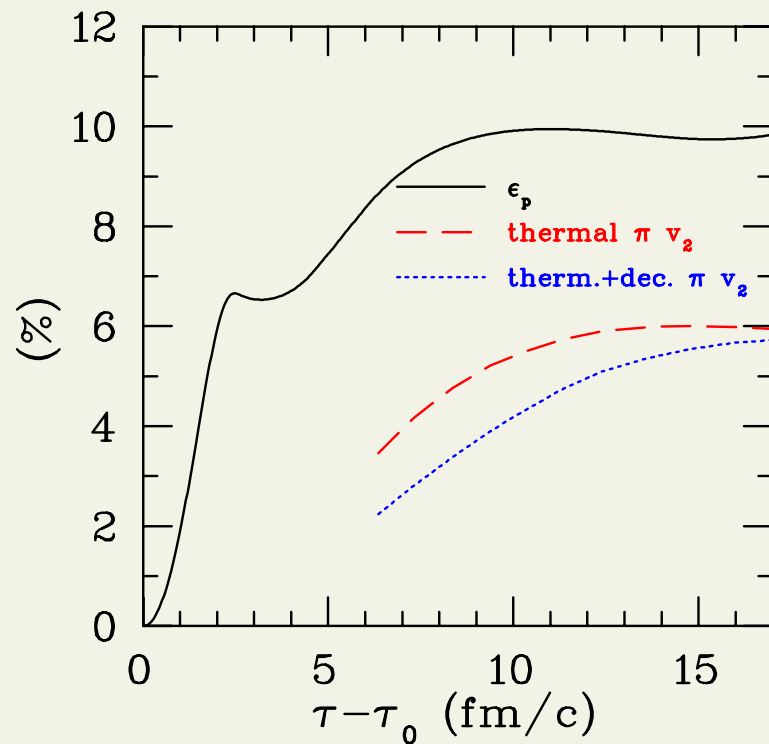
$$v_2(p_T) = \frac{\int d\phi \cos(2\phi) \frac{dN}{dy p_T dp_T d\phi}}{\int d\phi \frac{dN}{dy p_T dp_T d\phi}}$$

- **If $m_1 > m_2$, $v_2(m_1) > v_2(m_2)$, but $v_2(p_T, m_1) < v_2(p_T, m_2)$!**
- **No contradiction, since**

$$v_2 = \frac{\int dp_T v_2(p_T) \frac{dN}{dp_T}}{\int dp_T \frac{dN}{dp_T}}$$

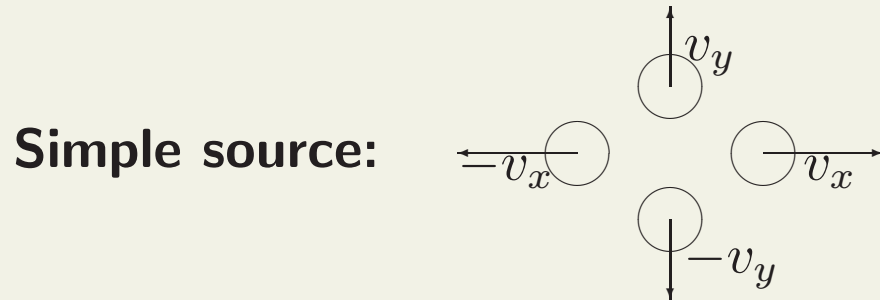
ϵ_p VS. v_2

- Au+Au @ RHIC, $b = 7$ fm:



- **NO** clear correspondence
- especially if one includes resonance decays

Why $m_1 < m_2 \Rightarrow v_2(p_T, m_1) > v_2(p_T, m_2)$?



Each element has unit volume, decouples at the same time at the same temperature. Flow velocity in plane is larger than out of plane, $|v_x| > |v_y|$.

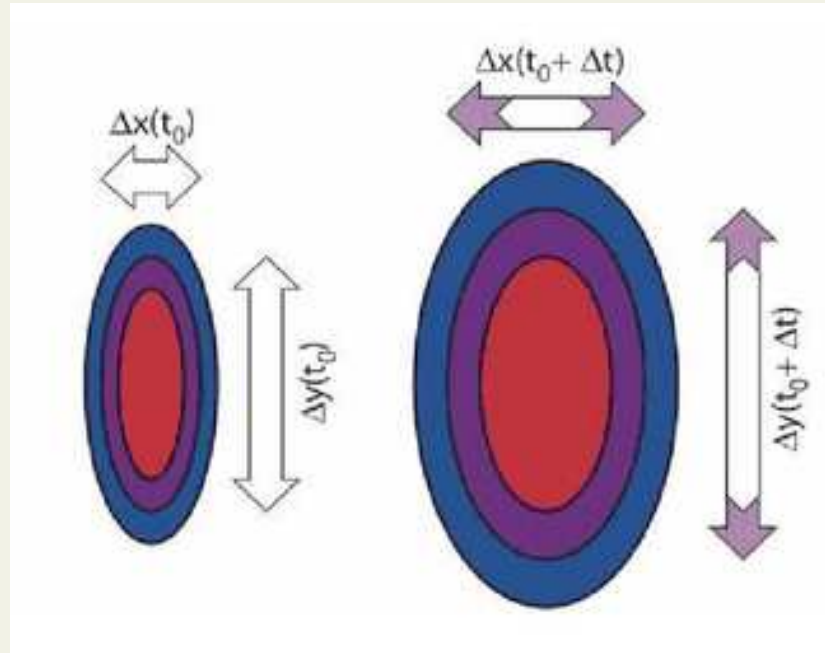
Boltzmann distribution and Cooper-Frye formula:

$$\begin{aligned}
 v_2(p_T) &= \frac{I_2\left(\frac{\gamma_x v_x p}{T}\right) - e^{\frac{E}{T}(\gamma_x - \gamma_y)} I_2\left(\frac{\gamma_y v_y p}{T}\right)}{I_0\left(\frac{\gamma_x v_x p}{T}\right) + e^{\frac{E}{T}(\gamma_x - \gamma_y)} I_0\left(\frac{\gamma_y v_y p}{T}\right)} \\
 &= \frac{C_1 - e^{\lambda\sqrt{m^2+p^2}} C_2}{C_3 + e^{\lambda\sqrt{m^2+p^2}} C_4}
 \end{aligned}$$

mass increases, numerator decreases and denominator increases
 $\rightarrow v_2$ **decreases**

Early thermalization?

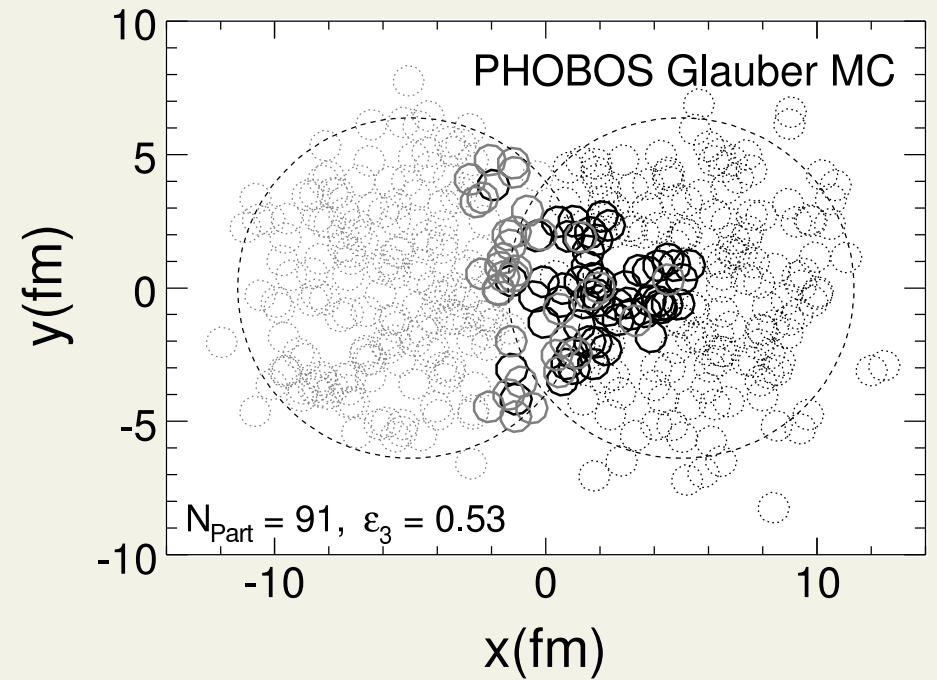
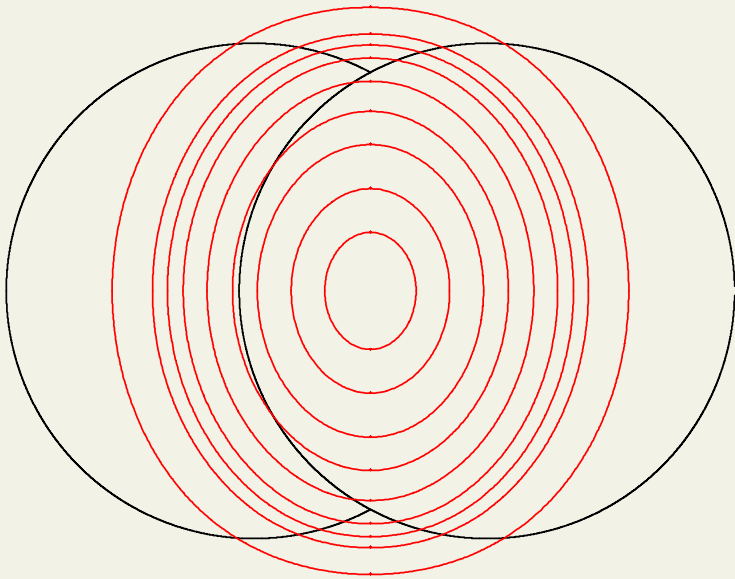
- ϵ_p/ϵ_x almost independent of b , i.e. the initial value of ϵ_x
- Before thermalization, $\tau < \tau_0$ system expands to all directions, ϵ_x decreases



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- ⇒ Hydrodynamical evolution **must start early or final v_2 is too small**
- We do not know if v_2 could build up **before thermalization...**

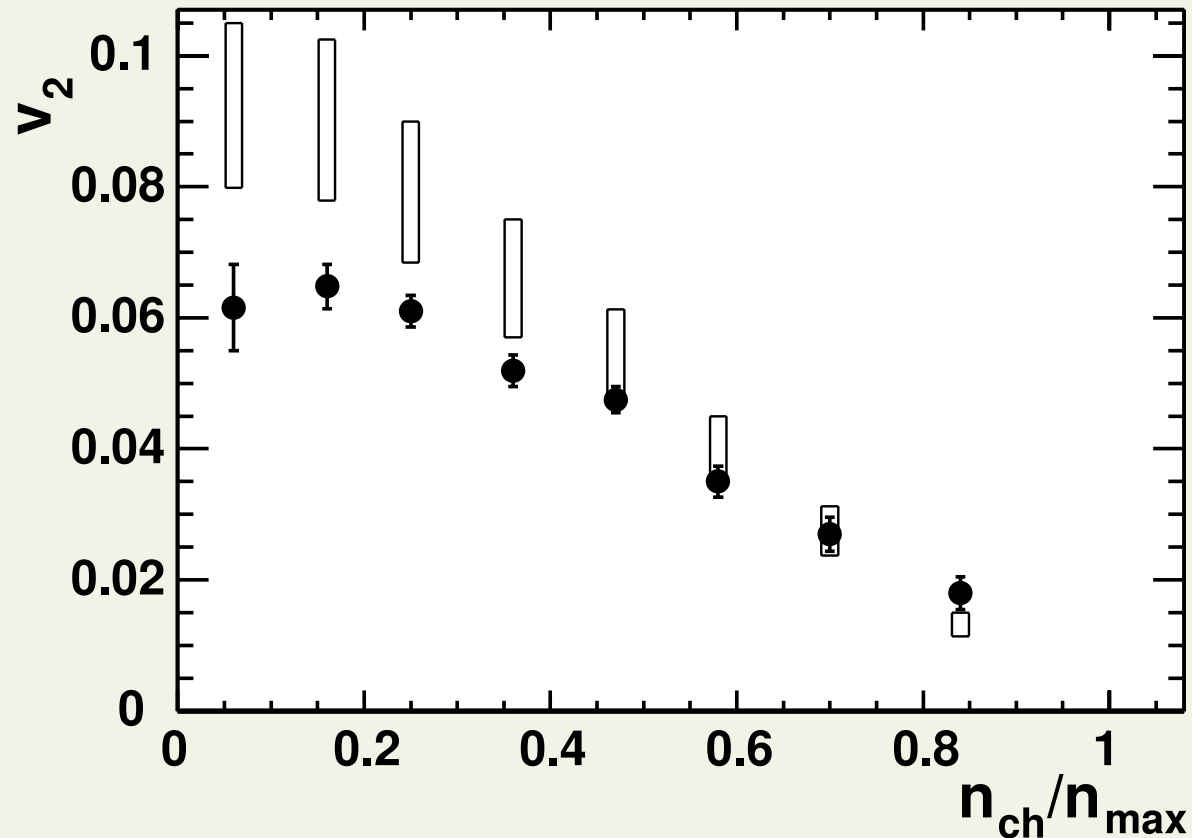
event-by-event



- shape fluctuates event-by-event
- all coefficients v_n finite

Success of ideal hydrodynamics

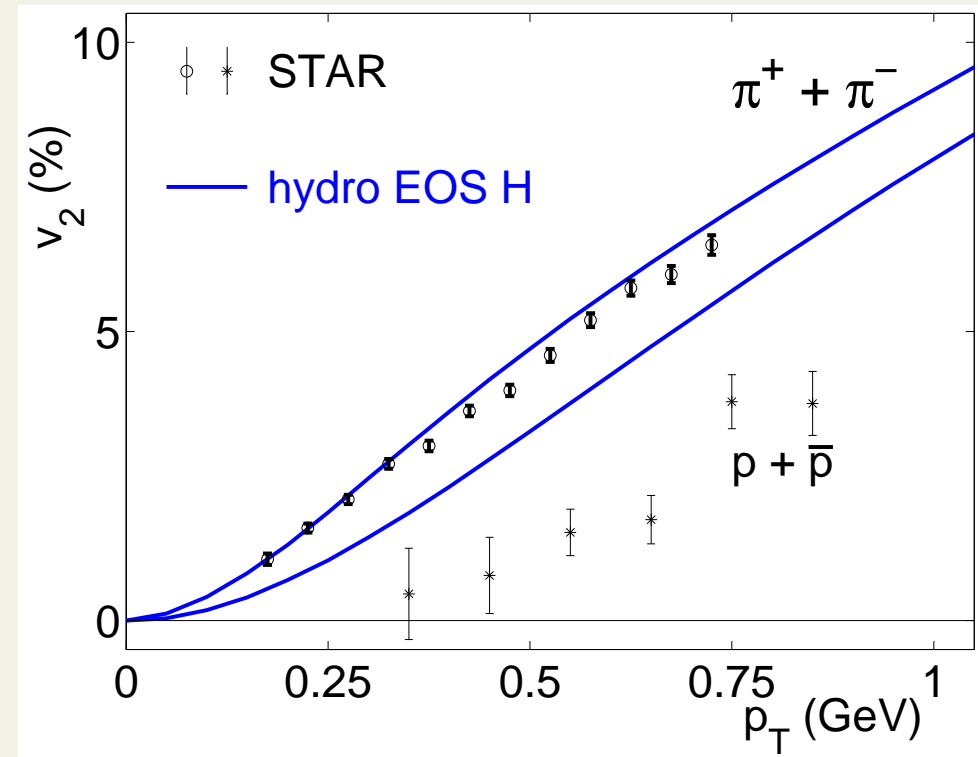
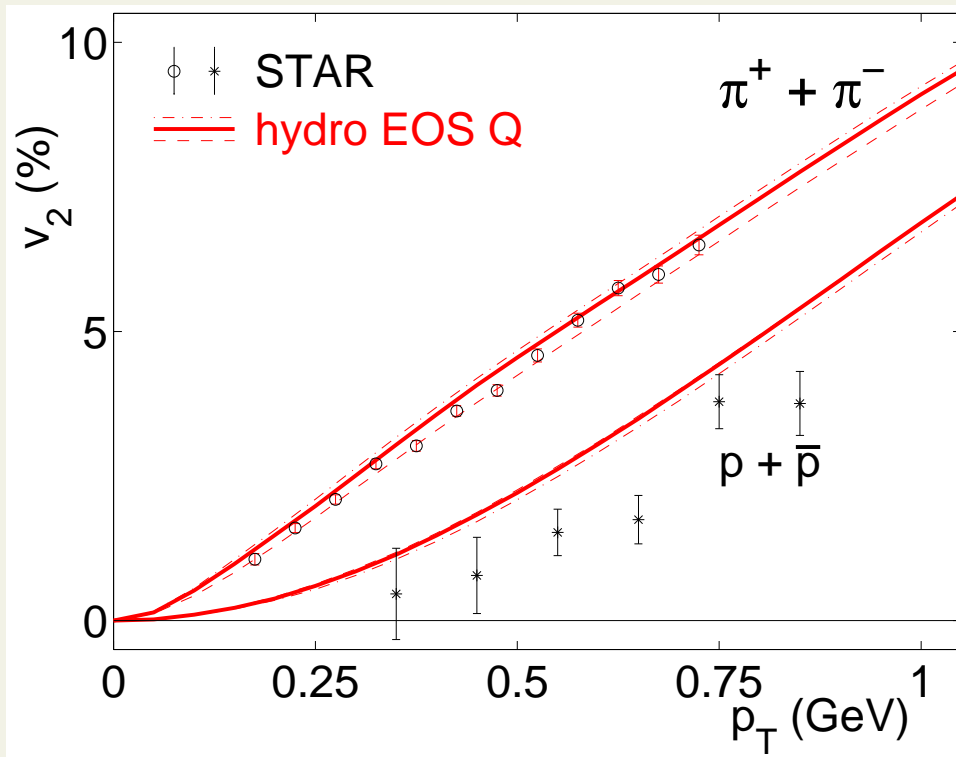
- p_T -averaged v_2 of charged hadrons:



- works beautifully in central and semi-central collisions
- but why is $v_{2,obs} > v_{2,hydro}$ in most central collisions?

Success of ideal hydrodynamics

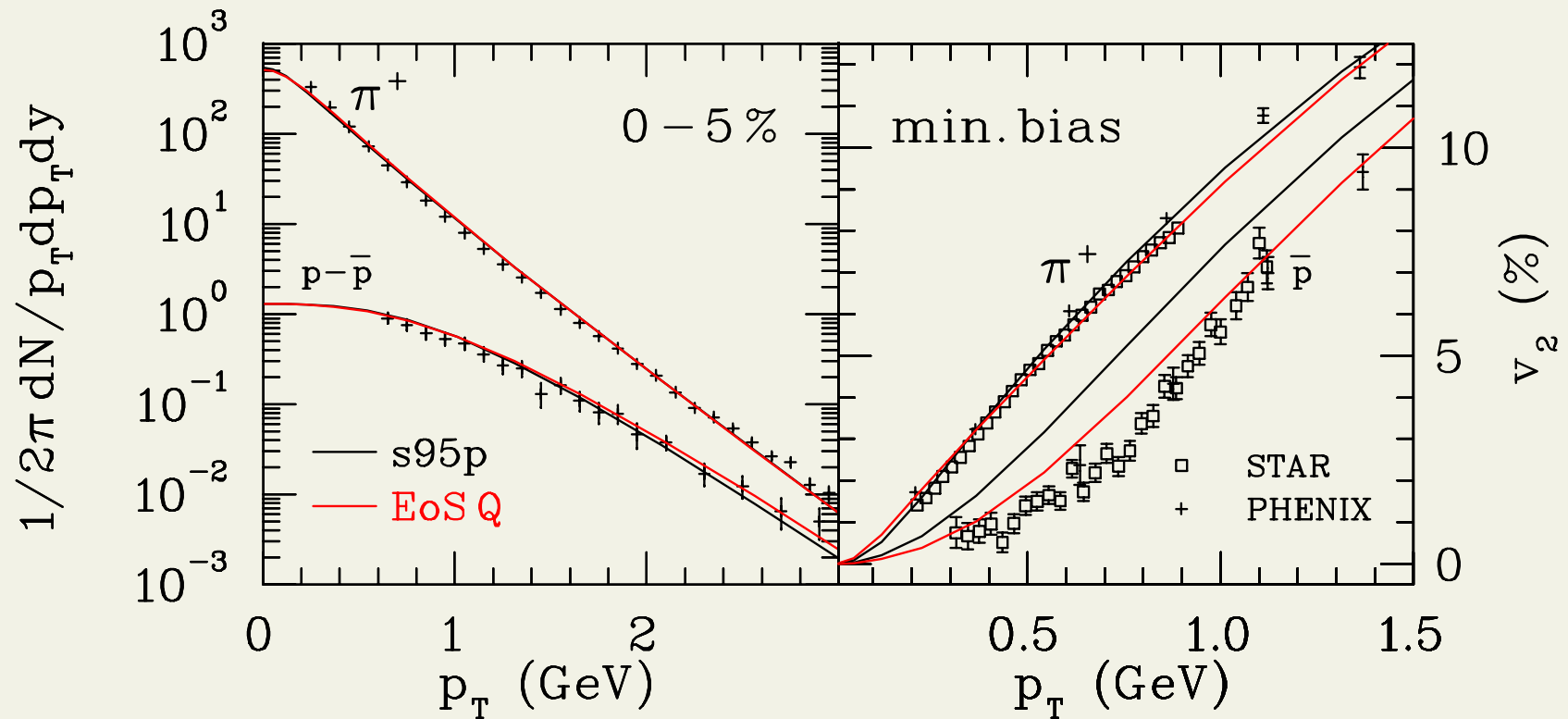
Kolb, Heinz, Huovinen et al ('01) **minbias Au+Au at RHIC**



not perfect agreement but plasma EoS favored

Lattice EoS

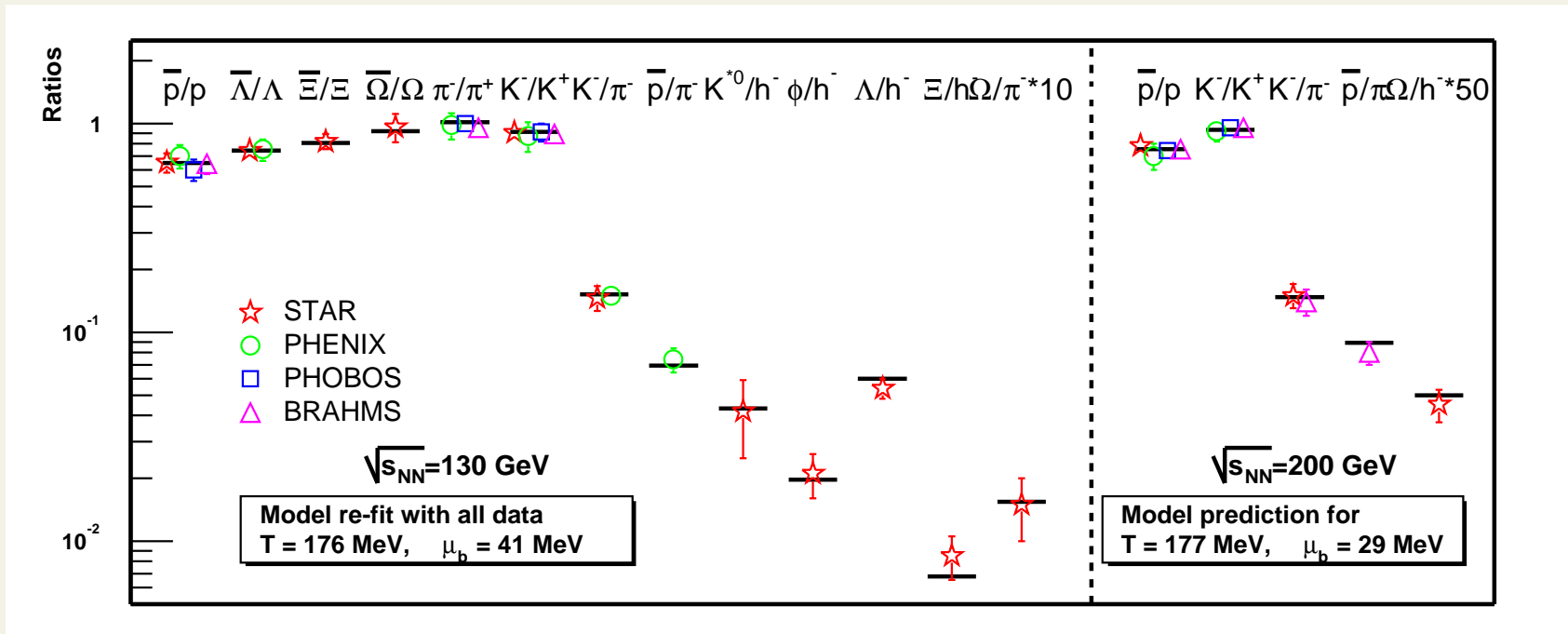
- ideal hydro, Au+Au at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV
- chemical equilibrium



- s95p: $T_{dec} = 140$ MeV
- EoS Q: first order phase transition at $T_c = 170$ MeV, $T_{dec} = 125$ MeV

Thermal models

- Hadronic phase: ideal gas of massive hadrons and resonances
- in chemical equilibrium



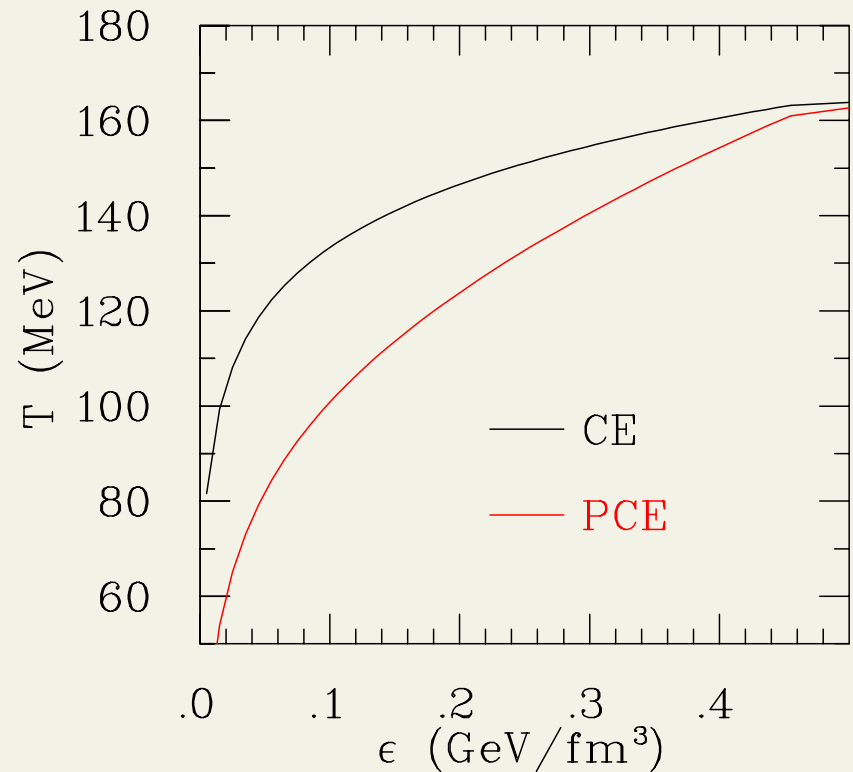
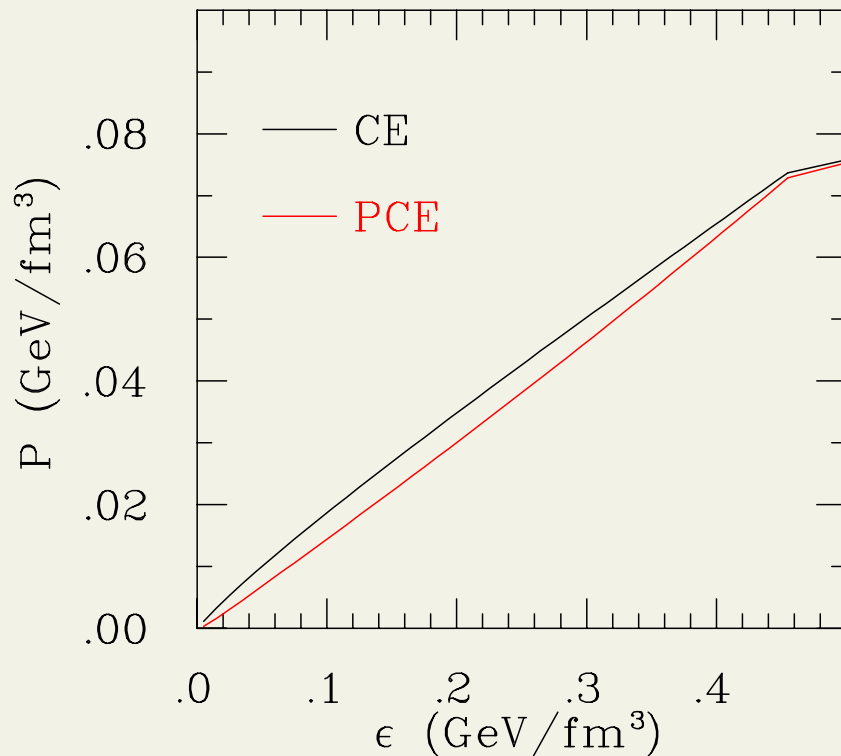
• Particle ratios $\iff T \approx 160\text{--}170$ MeV temperature

• Evolution to $T \approx 100\text{--}120$ MeV temperature

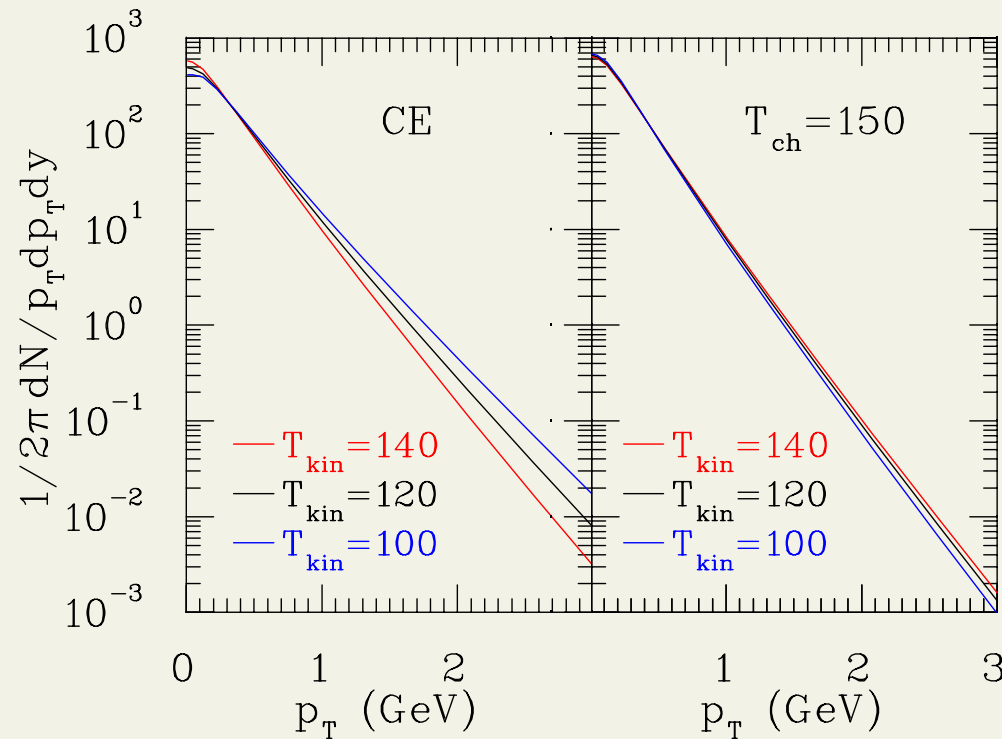
\implies In hydro particle ratios become wrong

Chemical non-equilibrium

- Treat number of pions, kaons etc. as conserved quantum numbers below T_{ch} (Bebie et al, Nucl.Phys.B378:95-130,1992)
- $P = P(\epsilon, n_b)$ changes very little, but $T = T(\epsilon, n_b)$ changes. . . .



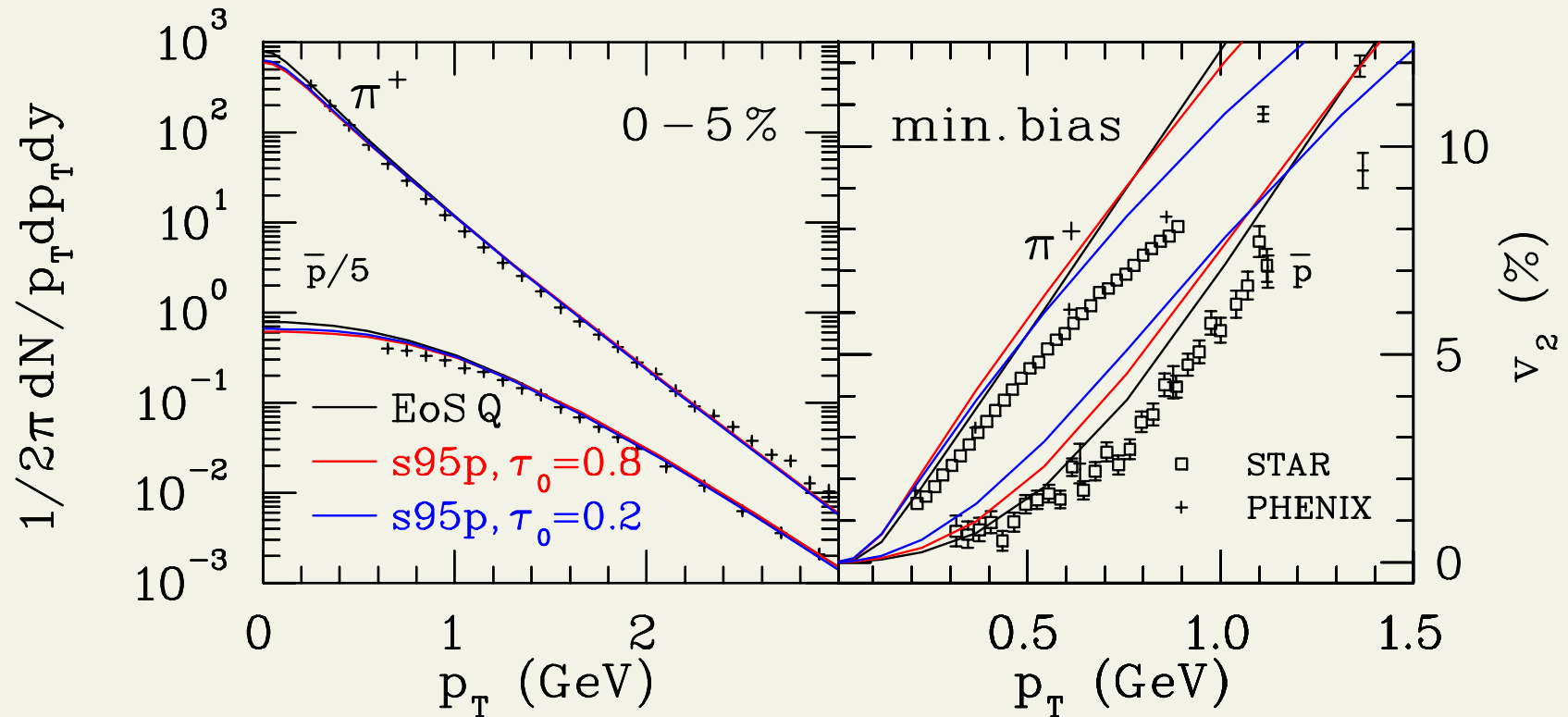
Effect of T_{kin} on pions



- Longitudinal expansion does work ($p dV$) $\Rightarrow \frac{dE_T}{dy}$ **decreases**
- If particle # is conserved, $\langle p_T \rangle$ **decreases**
- In chemical equilibrium mass energy of baryon-antibaryon pairs is converted to kinetic energy $\Rightarrow \langle p_T \rangle$ **increases!**

More realistic EoS

- ideal hydro, Au+Au at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV
- $T_{chem} = 150$ MeV



- **EoS Q:** $T_{dec} = 120$ MeV, $s_{ini} \propto N_{bin}$, $\tau_0 = 0.2$ fm/c
- **s95p, $\tau_0 = 0.8$:** $T_{dec} = 120$ MeV, $s_{ini} \propto N_{bin}$, $\tau_0 = 0.8$ fm/c
- **s95p, $\tau_0 = 0.2$:** $T_{dec} = 120$ MeV, $s_{ini} \propto N_{bin} + N_{part}$, $\tau_0 = 0.2$ fm/c

Summary

- Hydrodynamics is a useful tool to model collision dynamics
 - approximation at its best
 - but it can reproduce (some of) the data
- we have observed hydrodynamical behaviour at RHIC and LHC