

Quenching of single hadron and photon spectra from RHIC to LHC

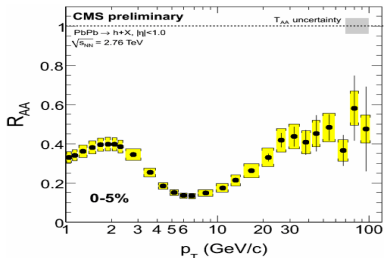
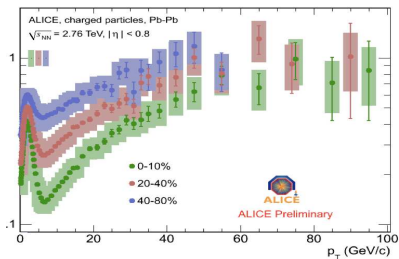
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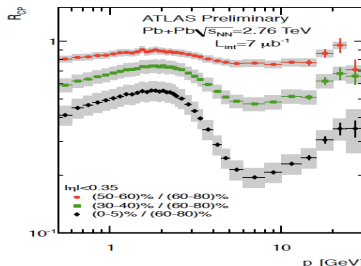
Outline

Impressive data at RHIC and LHC exhibit strong quenching of single hadron spectra, suggesting **large energy loss effects** in dense QCD media



Mind the scales !

- ALICE: **lin-log**
- CMS: **log-lin**
- ATLAS: **log-log**
- What I'd like to see: **lin-lin**



Outline

- Reference processes and baseline measurements
- Generic features of energy loss models and quantitative studies
- Photons
- Puzzles and open questions

Reference

FA, arXiv:1109.3121, to appear in J. Phys. G.

Part I

R_{AA} – Definition and baselines

Definition

Normalized ratio of single inclusive spectra of hadrons and photons

$$R_{AA}(p_{\perp}, \eta) = \frac{d^2 N^{AA}}{dp_{\perp} d\eta} / T_{AA} \times \frac{d^2 \sigma^{pp}}{dp_{\perp} d\eta}$$

Anatomy of R_{AA}

- pQCD reference processes in the vacuum
- $\langle N_{\text{coll}} \rangle = T_{AA} \sigma_{\text{inel}}^{NN}$ scaling assumption of hard processes in AA collisions
- pQCD processes modified in dense media

Reference processes in pp collisions

Since $Q \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$, hard processes computable in pQCD in pp collisions

- Constraints on parton densities and fragmentation functions
- **Reference process** to which heavy-ion data can be compared

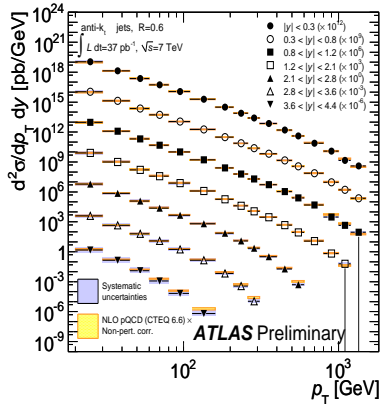
Hard processes in heavy-ion collisions

- **Large p_{\perp} hadrons and photons**
- Jets
- Heavy quarks, W^{\pm}/Z^0 and Drell-Yan pairs

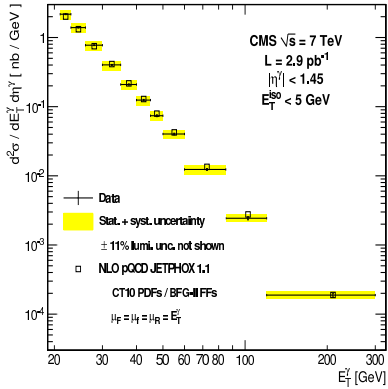
as well as **double inclusive** observables e.g. hadron-hadron or γ +jet

Reference processes: jets and photons

Impressive agreement between data and theory for most processes (jets, photons, electroweak bosons) in pp collisions



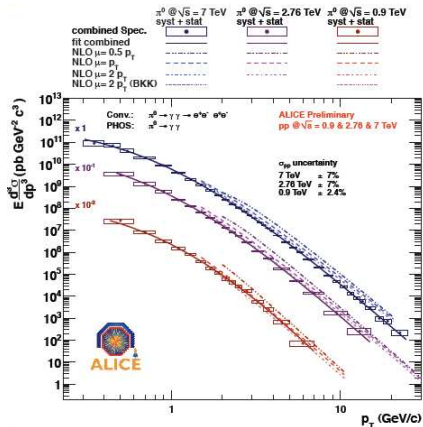
Jets in ATLAS – ATLAS-CONF-2011-047



Photons in CMS – 1012.0799

Reference processes: large p_{\perp} hadrons

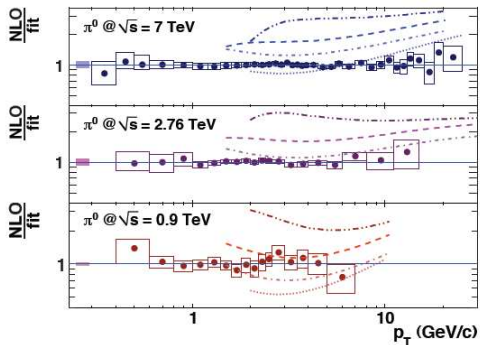
Discrepancy reported for single hadron production in pp at LHC



NLO pQCD (W. Vogelsang):

PDF: CTEQ6M5, FF: DSS, scales, $\mu = 0.5 p_T, p_T, 2 p_T$

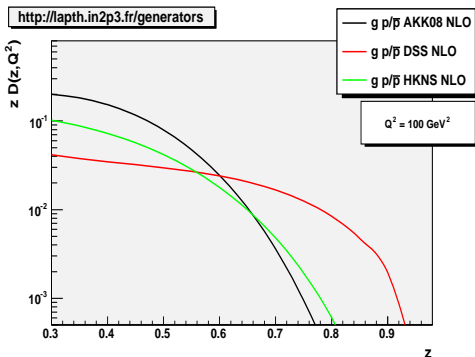
Also: INCNLO with BKK FF



See also FA, Brodsky, Hwang, Sickles 0911.4604

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Gluon fragmentation function into $p+\bar{p}$ vs momentum fraction z

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Wishful thinkings

- Uncertainties in the absolute pp spectra **cancel out** in the R_{AA} ratio
- Better understanding at **larger p_{\perp}**

Maybe, maybe not

Need to keep in mind these uncertainties when discussing R_{AA} !

Conventional wisdom

- **Hard** processes \propto number of binary NN collisions $\langle N_{\text{coll}} \rangle \sim A^{4/3}$
- **Soft** processes \propto number of participating nucleons $\langle N_{\text{part}} \rangle \sim A$

- This assumption needs to be **checked** for other hard processes expected to be insensitive to QGP formation
 - Photons, W^\pm/Z^0 , Drell-Yan

- T_{AA} not directly accessible but estimated using **Glauber model**
 - **Uncertainties** on the normalization (p_\perp independent) for all centralities

Apart from energy loss, many **cold** and **hot** medium effects **can affect** R_{AA}

- Nuclear parton distributions (nPDF) and saturation

nDS 2004, HKN 2007, EPS 2009, nCTEQ 2009

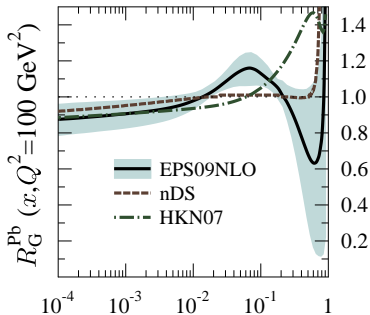
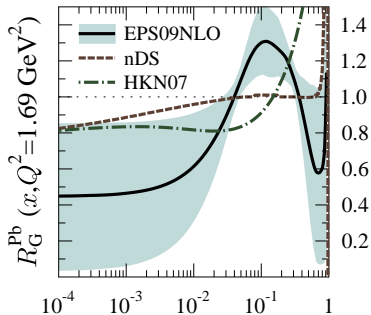
- Flow
- Cronin effect and energy loss in cold matter
- Recombination processes in QGP
- Non-perturbative or higher-twist dynamics at work

Hope

Most of these processes should die out at **large** p_{\perp} at which energy loss effects remain **visible**

Nuclear parton densities

$R_i^A(x, Q^2) = f_i^{P/A}(x, Q^2)/f_i^P(x, Q^2)$ **poorly constrained** experimentally



EPS09 gluon nPDF ratios

Assuming collinear factorization: $R_{AA}(p_\perp) \simeq R_i^A(x_\perp, p_\perp^2) \times R_j^A(x_\perp, p_\perp^2)$

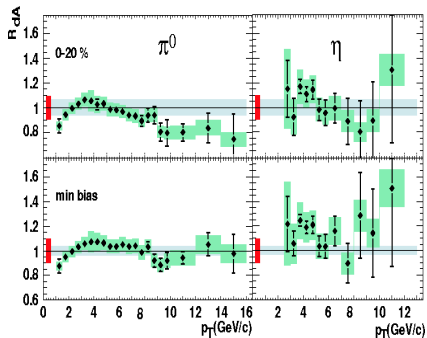
- **Dramatic uncertainties** at low p_\perp^2 and small $x_\perp \simeq 2p_\perp/\sqrt{s}$
- Better under control at larger p_\perp , say $p_\perp \gtrsim 10 \text{ GeV}$

Two strategies to disentangle these effects:

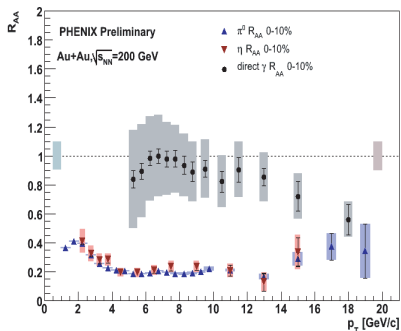
- Need for **baseline** experiments
 - pA and eA collisions
- Need for **baseline** observables
 - photons, W/Z^0 , Drell-Yan

Crucial measurements at RHIC

- R_{pA}^h of hadrons in d Au collisions
- R_{AA}^γ of photons in Au Au collisions



PHENIX, from d'Enterria 0902.2011



PHENIX Sakaguchi et al. 0805.4644

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At LHC

- Urgent need for p A runs at LHC
- First measurements on photons and W/Z bosons in Pb Pb collisions

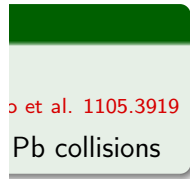
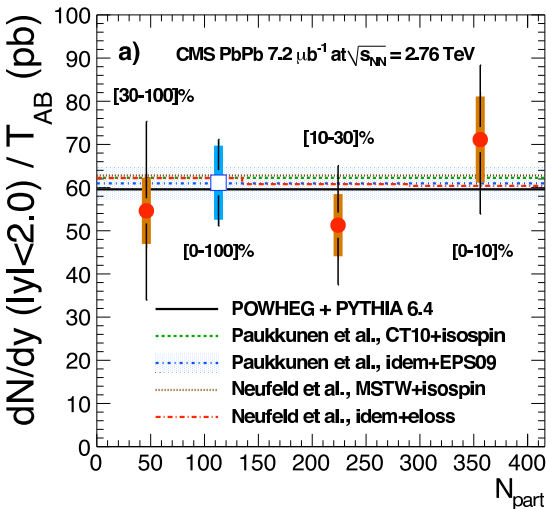
Salgado et al. 1105.3919

Crucial measurements

- R_{pA}^h of hadrons
- R_{AA}^γ of photons

At LHC

- Urgent need
- First measurements



Pb collisions

Pb collisions

CMS 1102.5435

Part II

R_{AA} – Hadrons

Toy model

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{\langle N_{\text{coll}} \rangle} N_{AA}^h(p_{\perp}) &= \int d\epsilon \mathcal{P}(\epsilon) N_{pp}^h(p_{\perp} + \epsilon) \\ &\simeq N_{pp}^h(p_{\perp}) \times \left[1 + (1 - p_0) \langle \epsilon \rangle \frac{dN_{pp}^h(p_{\perp})}{dp_{\perp}} \right]\end{aligned}$$

- $\mathcal{P}(\epsilon)$ quenching weight Baier Dokshitzer Mueller Schiff 2001
- $p_0 = \exp(-N_g)$: probability for no energy loss, N_g number of gluons radiated Salgado Wiedemann 2003

Energy loss effects on R_{AA} : generic features

Toy model

$$R_{AA}^h(p_{\perp}) \simeq 1 - (1 - p_0) \frac{\langle \epsilon \rangle(p_{\perp})}{p_{\perp}} n^h(x_{\perp}) \quad n^h(x_{\perp}) \equiv \left| \frac{d \ln N_{pp}^h(p_{\perp})}{d \ln p_{\perp}} \right|$$

$n(x_{\perp})$ depends on the logarithmic **slope** of the PDF and FF

- Almost independent of x_{\perp} at small x_{\perp}
- Larger for baryons than for mesons, e.g. $n^p \gtrsim n^{\pi}$
- Largest at high x_{\perp} : $n^{\text{RHIC}} > n^{\text{LHC}}$ at fixed p_{\perp}

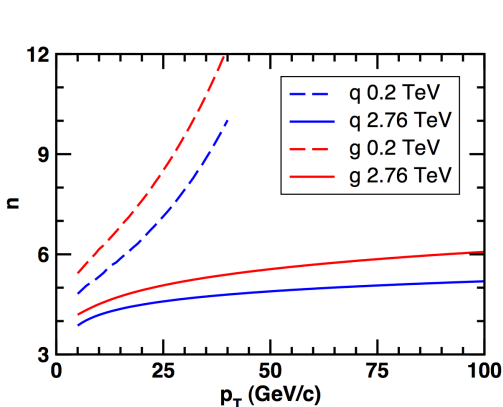
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Horowitz Gyulassy 1104.4958

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Qualitative features

- $R_{AA}(p_{\perp}) > p_0$
 - Upper limit from RHIC and LHC: $p_0 < 0.1$ (i.e. $N_g > 2$)
- R_{AA} depends on the power law index of the vacuum spectrum
 - Stronger suppression for baryons than for mesons
 - **Large uncertainty** from the FF poorly known at large z
- R_{AA} depends on the **fractional** energy loss $\langle \epsilon \rangle(p_{\perp})/p_{\perp}$
 - **Large p_{\perp} lever arm** should probe the energy dependence of $\langle \epsilon \rangle(p_{\perp})$

p_{\perp} lever arm at the LHC

Assuming $\langle \epsilon \rangle(p_{\perp}) \propto p_{\perp}^{\alpha}$ and fixing $R_{AA}(p_{\perp} = 20 \text{ GeV}) = 0.4$ at LHC

Which R_{AA} at $p_{\perp} = 100 \text{ GeV}$?

$$\alpha = 0 \quad R_{AA}(p_{\perp} = 100 \text{ GeV}) = 0.88$$

$$\alpha = 0.3 \quad R_{AA}(p_{\perp} = 100 \text{ GeV}) = 0.79$$

$$\alpha = 0.5 \quad R_{AA}(p_{\perp} = 100 \text{ GeV}) = 0.73$$

$$\alpha = 1 \quad R_{AA}(p_{\perp} = 100 \text{ GeV}) = 0.40$$

The p_{\perp}^{\max} value at which $R_{AA}(p_{\perp}^{\max}) \simeq 1$ – for various centralities – should definitely help to determine the amount of energy loss in the medium

Warning: don't take these numbers too seriously, this is a qualitative illustration of the **powerful p_{\perp} lever arm** at the LHC

Ideal playground for energy loss

$$\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \ll \langle \epsilon \rangle \ll p_{\perp} \ll \frac{\sqrt{s}}{2}$$

- 1 In all frameworks, gluon emission is perturbative
 - $\langle \epsilon \rangle \sim \hat{q}L^2$: medium should be dense/thick enough
- 2 Soft gluon emission and eikonal approximation
 - Badly broken at low p_{\perp} , severe limitation at RHIC
 - Strong surface bias effect Eskola et al. [hep-ph/0406319](#)
- 3 Strong bias effect as phase-space gets restricted (also large y)
 - Does not allow one to observe the increase of $R_{\text{AA}}(p_{\perp})$ at RHIC

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Dramatic differences between RHIC and LHC !

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RHIC

- $R_{\text{AA}} \simeq 0.2$: dense medium produced, energy loss at work
- p_{\perp} & \sqrt{s} not too large complicates the interpretation

LHC

- Slightly denser medium : $(dN/dy)_{\text{LHC}} \simeq 2.4 (dN/dy)_{\text{RHIC}}$
- Much larger phase space available: less bias and hopefully less affected by other phenomena at large p_{\perp}

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How to compare RHIC and LHC ?

- At fixed p_{\perp} and same centrality: same p_{\perp} and L , different \hat{q}
- At fixed p_{\perp} and particle density: same p_{\perp} and \hat{q} , different L
- At fixed x_{\perp} : same slopes and nPDF/saturation effects, different p_{\perp}

General strategy

- 1 Pick an energy loss framework
- 2 Choose the main ingredients
 - radiative and/or collisional energy loss
- 3 Cold (matter) dishes
 - nPDF, Cronin effect, etc.
- 4 Model the medium produced
 - Fix the amount of energy loss
 - Hydrodynamical evolution: 1D Bjorken expansion, 2D/3D ideal hydro, 2D viscous hydro, etc.
- 5 Compare to data

Radiative energy loss: computing single gluon spectrum

Multiple soft scattering

- BDMPS-Z & ASW-MS Baier Dokshitzer Mueller Peigné Schiff 1995-1998
Zakharov 1996-2000 Armesto Salgado Wiedemann 2000-2003
 - Static (Debye-screened) scatterers finite L , expanding medium
- AMY Arnold Moore Yaffe 2001-2002
 - Hot QGP, infinite, static, uniform, assuming $g^2 T \ll gT \ll T$
 - Extension to finite L and expanding media Arnold 0808.2767

Few (hard) scattering

- DGLV Djordjevic Gyulassy Lévai Vitev 2000-2003
 - Opacity expansion $n = L/\lambda = \mathcal{O}(1)$
 - Static (Debye-screened) scatterers, finite L , expanding medium
- Higher-twist framework Guo Wang 2000-2001
 - Rescattering of highly virtual partons, power expansion in $\hat{q}L/Q^2$
 - Extension towards multiple scattering Majumder 2009

BDMPS-Z / ASW / DGLV

- Poisson approximation of independent gluon emission

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

Higher Twist

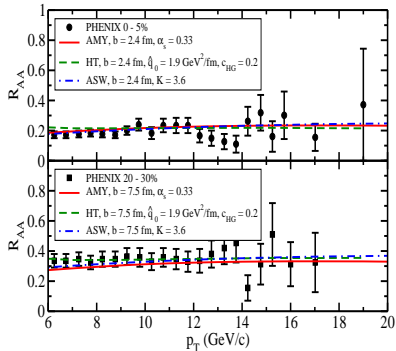
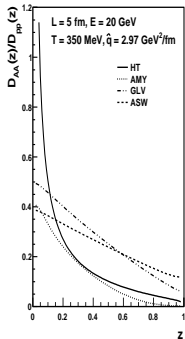
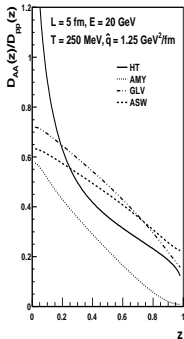
- Follows virtuality ordering given by DGLAP evolution

AMY

- Solving rate equation

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dP_{q\bar{q}}(p)}{dt} &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dl P_{q\bar{q}}(p+l) \frac{d\Gamma_{qg}^q(p+l, l)}{dl dt} \\ &\quad - P_{q\bar{q}}(p) \frac{d\Gamma_{qg}^q(p, l)}{dl dt} + 2P_g(p+l) \frac{d\Gamma_{q\bar{q}}^g(p+l, l)}{dl dt} \end{aligned}$$

Major effort to compare systematically the various frameworks



Majumder Van Leeuwen 1002.2206

Bass et al. 0808.0908

<https://wiki.bnl.gov/TECHQM>

Collisional energy loss

- First considered by Bjorken

Bjorken 1982, Braaten Thoma 1991 Thoma Gyulassy 1991 Mustafa Thoma 2005

- Full calculation including the running of α_s

Peigné Peshier 0802.4364

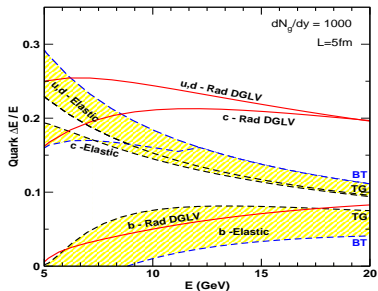
$$-\frac{d\langle\epsilon\rangle_{\text{coll}}}{dx} = \frac{4\pi T^2}{3} \alpha_s(m_D^2) \alpha_s(ET) \left(1 + \frac{n_f}{6}\right) \ln \frac{ET}{m_D^2} \left[1 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s(m_D^2))\right]$$

leading to **30% uncertainty** in the amount of energy loss

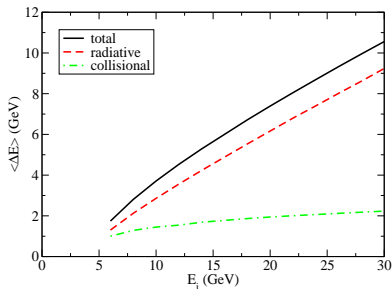
Phenomenology

- For long time assumed to be negligible : $\langle\epsilon\rangle_{\text{coll}} \ll \langle\epsilon\rangle_{\text{rad}}$
- Might explain HQ energy loss at RHIC (single electron puzzle) due to the smaller radiative energy loss
Wicks et al. nucl-th/0512076
- Also taken into account for light quark quenching

Collisional energy loss



Wicks et al. (WHDG) nucl-th/0512076



Qin et al. (AMY) 0710.0605

- $\langle \epsilon \rangle_b^{\text{coll}} \simeq \langle \epsilon \rangle_b^{\text{rad}}$ while $\langle \epsilon \rangle_{q,c}^{\text{coll}} \lesssim 0.5 \langle \epsilon \rangle_{q,c}^{\text{rad}}$
- $\langle \epsilon \rangle^{\text{coll}} / \langle \epsilon \rangle^{\text{rad}}$ gets smaller at large E

Hadron production at LO & EPS09 nPDF

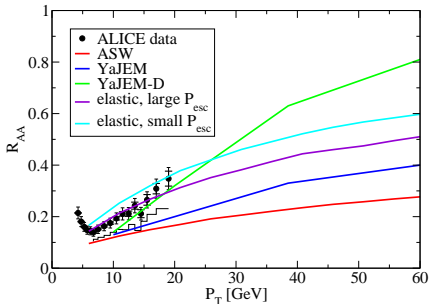
- BDMPS radiative energy loss w/ medium-averaged quenching weights
- Embedded in $2 + 1D$ ideal hydro with EKRT initial conditions

Strategy

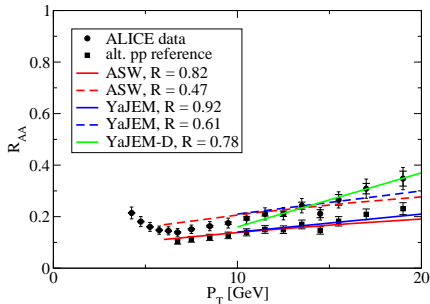
- Fix the amount of energy loss in Au Au at RHIC: $\hat{q} \propto K \epsilon^{3/4}$
- Constrain hydro model using ALICE low p_{\perp} spectra

Results

PbPb 2.76 ATeV, 0-5% centrality



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- Different p_{\perp} dependence of R_{AA} expected
- **Too strong suppression** requiring large rescaling
- Crucially depends on the pp reference spectrum

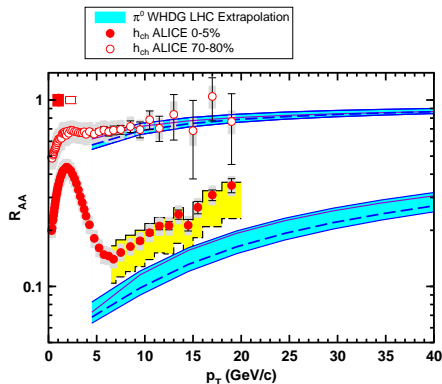
Hadron production at LO & no nPDF

- DGLV radiative energy loss with Poisson probability distributions
- Braaten-Thoma collisional energy loss with Gaussian prob. dist.
- Geometrical fluctuations in 1D Bjorken model

Constrained predictions

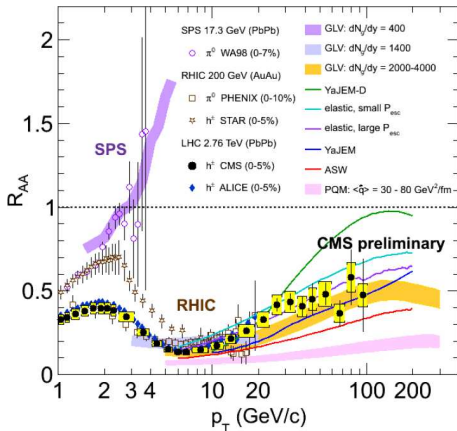
- Fix the energy loss in Au Au at RHIC
- Scaled with $(dN/dy)_{\text{LHC}} / (dN/dy)_{\text{RHIC}}$
- Predictions of R_{AA} (and R_{CP}) at 2.76 and 5.5 TeV

Results



- Too strong suppression in central collisions
- Conjectures about the reduced opacity: running α_s ? Saturation? etc.

LHC new data vs. theory



- Radiative energy loss (slightly) undershoot data
- Don't draw premature conclusions because of a (dis)agreement !

Remarks

- Magnitude of R_{AA} depends on $\langle N_{\text{coll}} \rangle$ scaling (Glauber) and the value of \hat{q}
- Slope of R_{AA} depends on the dynamics of energy loss models

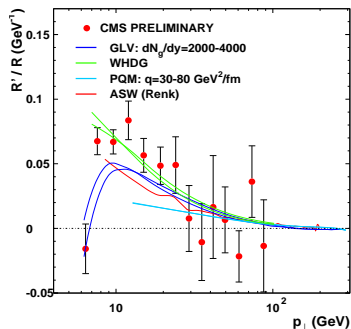
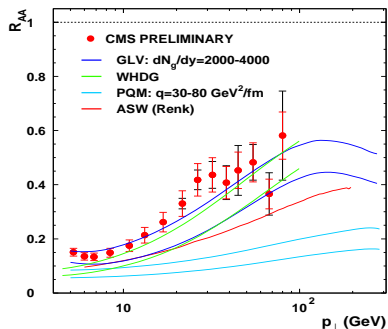
R_{AA} logarithmic slope

$$R'_{\log} = \frac{d \ln R_{AA}}{dp_{\perp}}$$

- Free of normalization uncertainties
- Should be mostly sensitive to statistical uncertainties

FA, 1109.3121

Quantifying the slope of R_{AA}



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- Error bands (from varying \hat{q}) shrink
- Change of slope at low p_{\perp} predicted in only one model

Part III

R_{AA} – Photons

An ideal probe in nuclear collisions

- p p : constraints on gluon PDFs and possible saturation effects

Ichou d'Enterria 1005.4529 Kopeliovich et al. 0902.4287

- p A : constraints on nuclear PDFs or energy loss in cold matter

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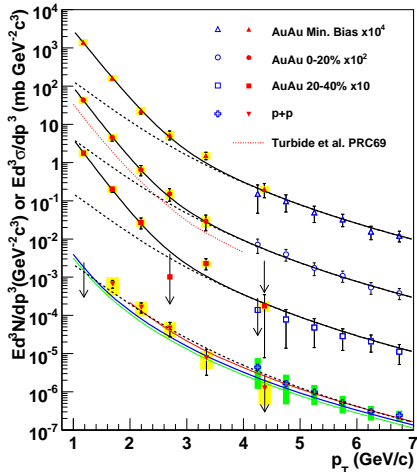
- A A collisions

- QGP thermal emission at low $p_{\perp} = \mathcal{O}(T)$
- Good reference process: photons escape the medium without re-interaction

Prompt photons

An ideal probe in nuclear collisions

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 - QGP thermal production
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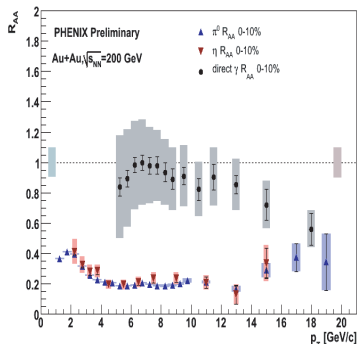
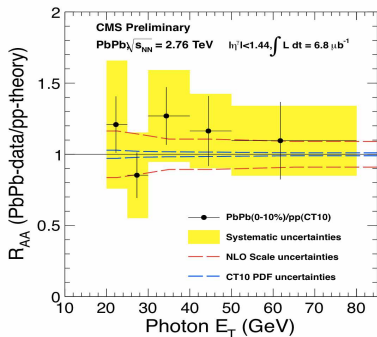
- Delicate measurement because of the large $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ background
- Due to a simple isospin effect, R_{AA}^γ not normalized to unity

$$\text{QED coupling : } \sigma(ug \rightarrow u\gamma)/\sigma(dg \rightarrow d\gamma) = e_u^2/e_d^2 = 4$$

$R_{pA}(p_\perp, y) < 1$ when valence quarks dominate

- large p_\perp
- backward rapidity in p A and also forward rapidity in d A and A A
- Despite common belief, prompt photons may actually be sensitive to hot medium effects through a variety of processes

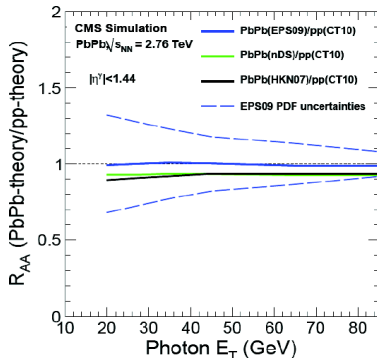
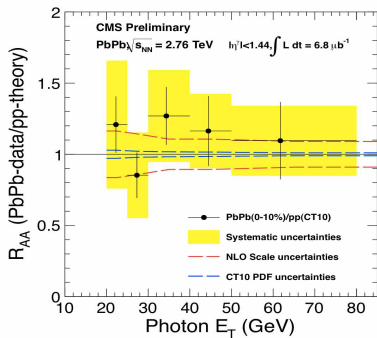
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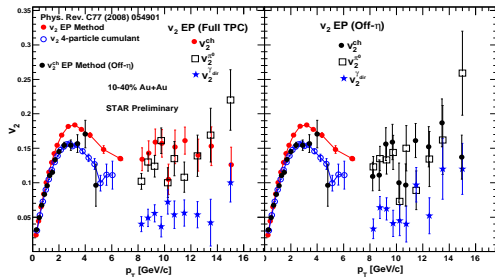
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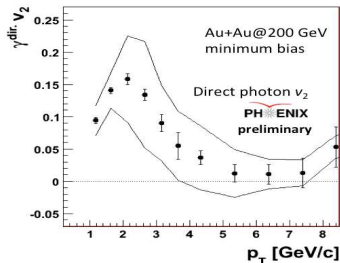


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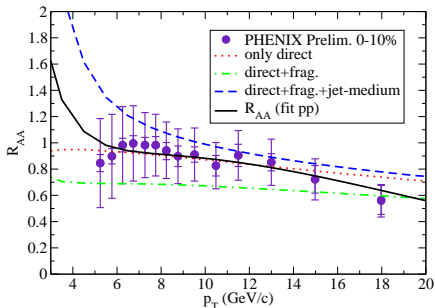
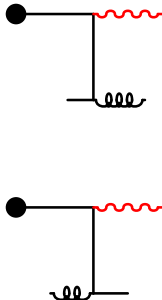
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- Positive v_2 reported by STAR
 - π^0 contamination, non-flow contributions, **genuine medium effects** ?
- PHENIX compatible with vanishing v_2 yet compatible with STAR

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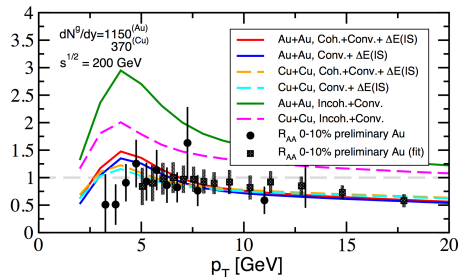
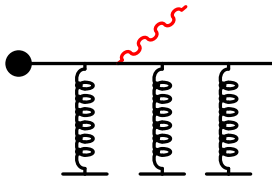
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Medium-induced photon emission

Zakharov hep-ph/0405101

- Similar to medium-induced **gluon** emission leading to **enhancement** of **non-isolated** photons in A A collisions
- Also studied in DIS on nuclei

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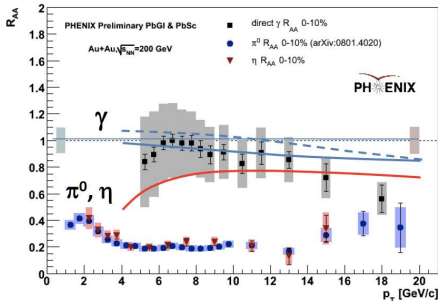
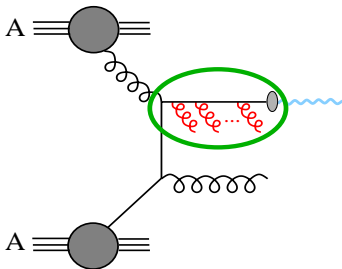


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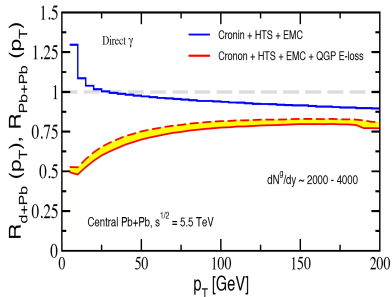


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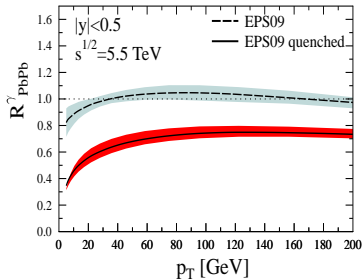
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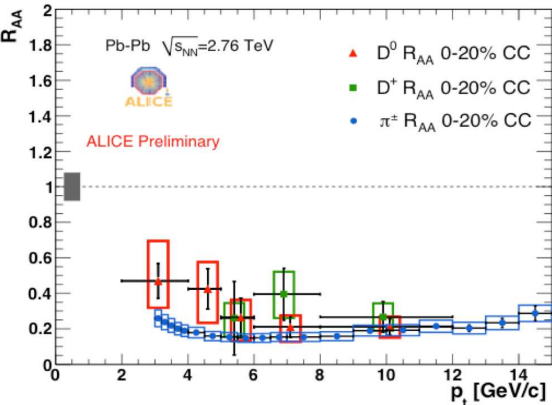
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How to properly quantify theoretical uncertainties?

Single hadron quenching at RHIC

- First evidence for parton energy loss in QCD media although R_{AA} affected by many other processes

Single hadron quenching at LHC

- New era for parton energy loss studies w/ larger phase-space available
- Too strong quenching from simple RHIC extrapolation (?)
- Crucial need for p Pb collisions
- Systematic RHIC/LHC comparison at fixed p_{\perp} , x_{\perp} , dN/dy needed

Prompt photons

- Final PHENIX data needed on R_{AA} , interesting v_2
- First isolated photons in AA collisions (CMS)
- Probe nPDF/saturation (low p_{\perp}) and test $\langle N_{coll} \rangle$ scaling (large p_{\perp})
- As yet, no evidence for hot medium effects on photons