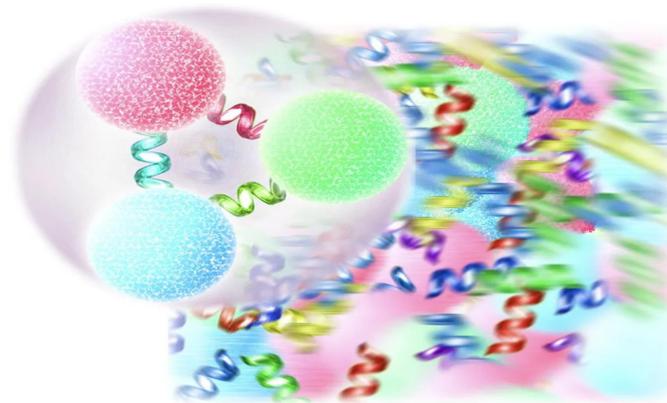


# The Strong Fields in Relativistic Heavy Ion Collisions

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# Outline

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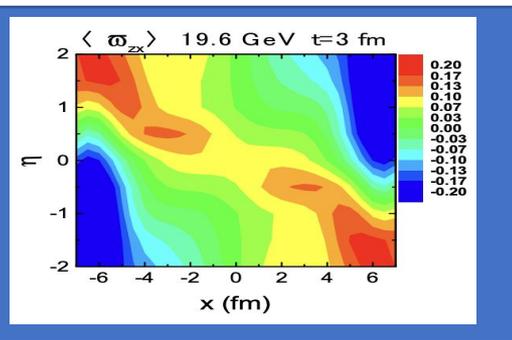
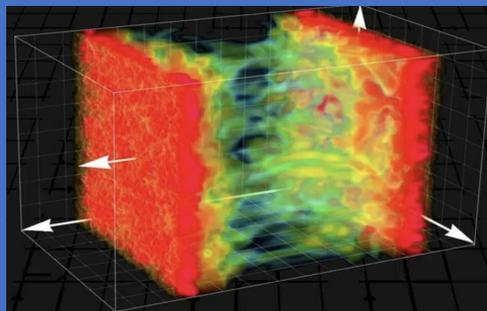
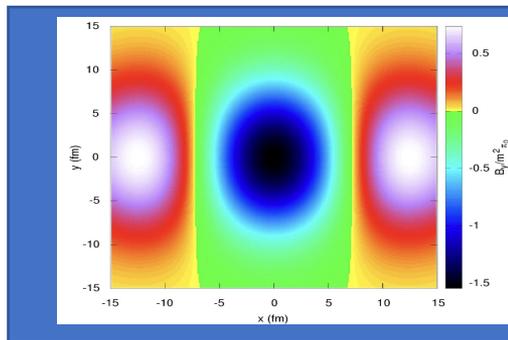
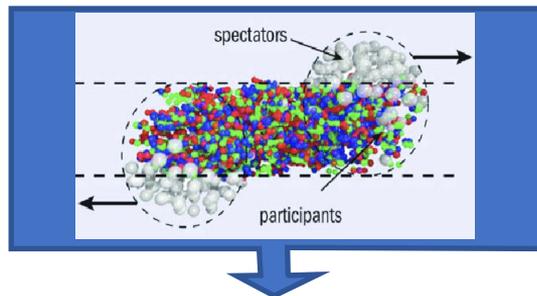
- I. Introduction to magnetic, chromo-electromagnetic and vorticity fields
- II. Magnetic field and its detection
- III. Chromo-electromagnetic field and its implication
- IV. Vorticity field and its implication
- V. Summary



# I. Strong fields in RHICs

1. Strong magnetic, chromo-electromagnetic and vorticity fields are (may be) generated in RHICs

Deng, Huang, PRC 85 (2012), 044907  
 McLerran, Venugopalan, PRD 49 (1994), 2233  
 Jiang, Lin, Liao, PRC 94 (2016), 044910



$$\partial_\mu F^{\mu\nu} = \mu_0 J^\nu$$

$$\partial^\mu F_{\mu\nu}^a + g f^{abc} A^{b\mu} F_{\mu\nu}^c = -J_\nu^a$$

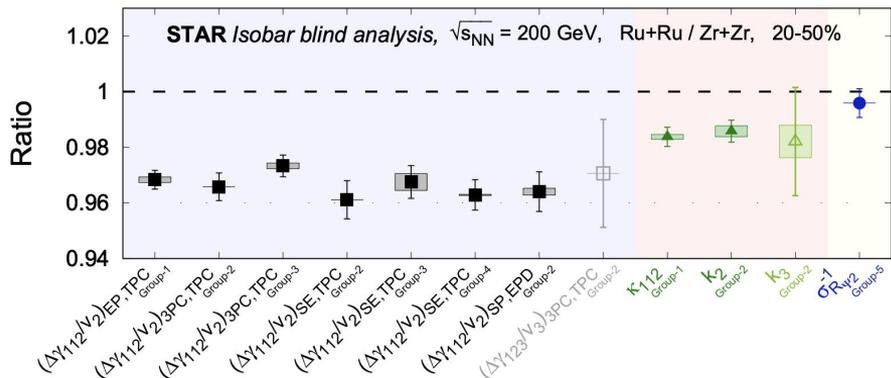
$$\omega = (1/2) \nabla \times v$$



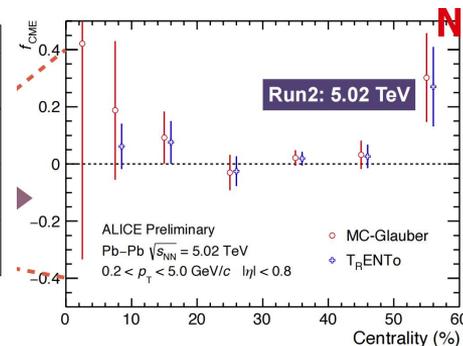


# II. Challenges in detection

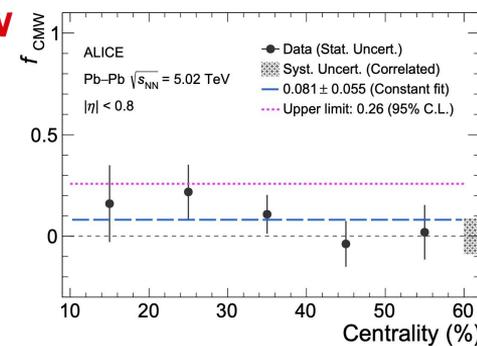
STAR, PRC 105 (2022), 014901



Wang, QM2023



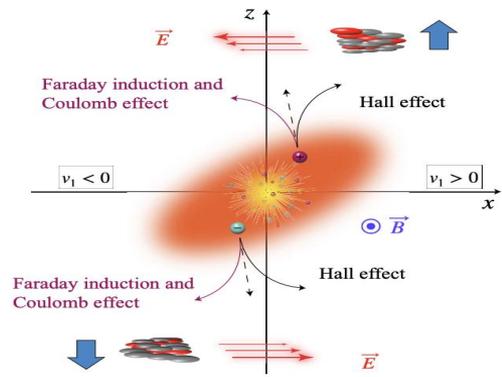
ALICE, arXiv:2308.16123



1. No definitive signs of CME and CMW detected by RHIC and LHC;  
Background dominates
2. Or may be **CP violation probability low** or **magnetic field weak**
3. Signal depends on CP violation and B quadratically



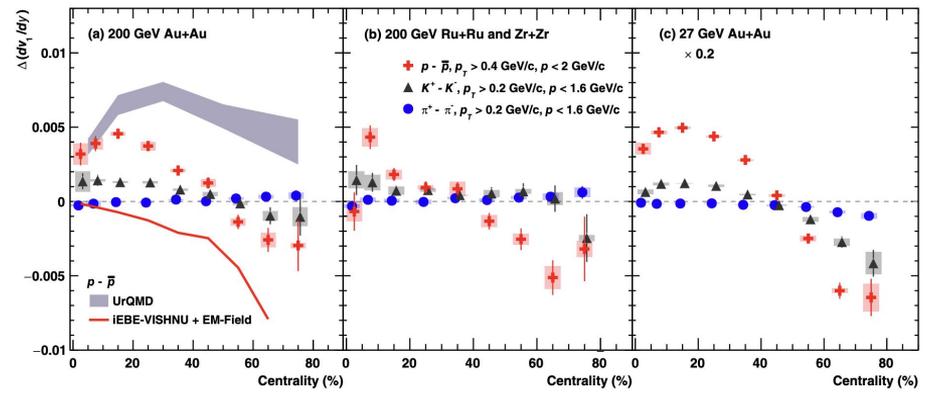
# II. Possible signals of B



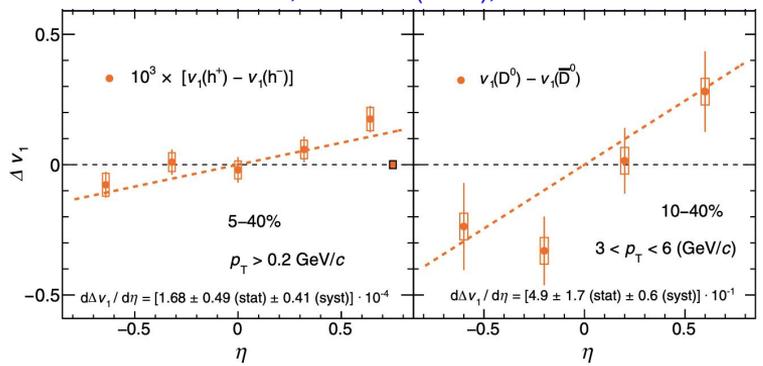
$$\mathbf{F}_{\text{ext}} = q\mathbf{E} + \frac{q}{E_p} (\mathbf{p} \times \mathbf{B})$$

1. The effect of B may be seen by RHIC and LHC by **directed flow measurement, though different in sign**

STAR, PRX 14 (2024), 011028

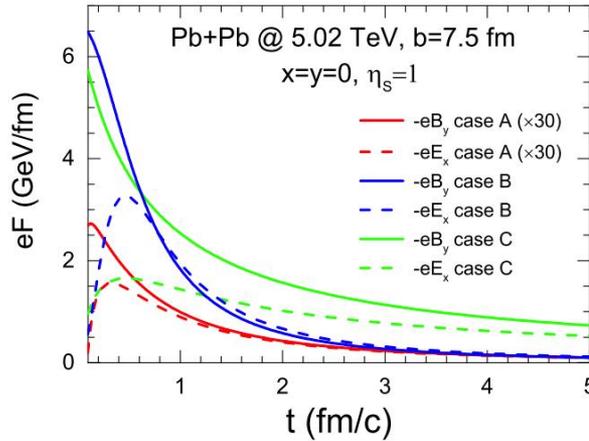
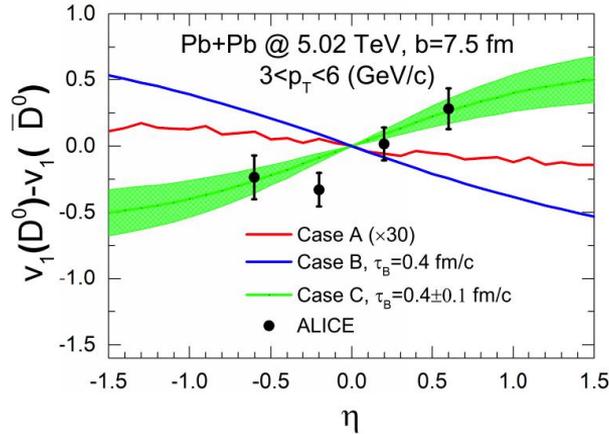


ALICE, PRL 125 (2020), 022301



# II. Implication by D meson $v_1$ measurement

Sun, Plumari, Greco, PLB 816 (2021), 136271



## Case B and C

$$eB_y(x, y, \tau) = -B(\tau)\rho_B(x, y) \quad B(\tau) = eB_0/(1 + (\tau/\tau_B)^\alpha)$$

$$B(\tau) = eB_0/(1 + \tau^2/\tau_B^2)$$

$$B(\tau) = eB_0/(1 + \tau/\tau_B)$$

- ✓  $eB_0$  fixed by the value  $t=0$  in vacuum;  $a$  and  $\tau_B$  can be tuned
- ✓  $E_x$  is evaluated by the Faraday's Law

1. If charge neutral  $D^0$  meson  $v_1$  splitting is due to e.m. field, it is the **first direct evidence of free quarks in QGP**
2. ALICE data can only be reproduced by **a very slowly decaying B**
3. **The form matters**

# II. General study

Sun, Greco, Plumari, EPJP 136 (2021), 726

$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(\mathbf{p}_T, y_z) &= \int d^2 \Delta p_T d\Delta y_z f(\mathbf{p}_T - \Delta \mathbf{p}_T, y_z - \Delta y_z) \\
 &\times T(\Delta \mathbf{p}_T, \Delta y_z, \mathbf{p}_T - \Delta \mathbf{p}_T, y_z - \Delta y_z) \\
 &\approx \int d^2 \Delta p_T d\Delta y_z [f(\mathbf{p}_T, y_z) T(\Delta \mathbf{p}_T, \Delta y_z, \mathbf{p}_T, y_z) \\
 &\quad - \frac{\partial f T}{\partial p_x} \Delta p_x - \frac{\partial f T}{\partial p_y} \Delta p_y - \frac{\partial f T}{\partial y_z} \Delta y_z] \\
 &= f - \left( \frac{\partial f \overline{\Delta p}_x}{\partial p_x} + \frac{\partial f \overline{\Delta p}_y}{\partial p_y} + f \frac{\partial \overline{\Delta y}_z}{\partial y_z} \right), \\
 \overline{\Delta y}_z &= -\frac{p_T \tanh y_z}{m_T^2} (\cos \phi \overline{\Delta p}_x + \sin \phi \overline{\Delta p}_y) \\
 &\quad + \frac{\overline{\Delta p}_z}{m_T \cosh y_z},
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{1}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \overline{\Delta p}_x &= q \int dt (E_x - v_z B_y), \\
 \overline{\Delta p}_y &= q \int dt (E_y + v_z B_x), \\
 \overline{\Delta p}_z &= q \int dt (E_z + v_x B_y - v_y B_x) \\
 \overline{\Delta p}_x &= \sum 2a_n(p_T, y_z) \cos n\phi, \\
 \overline{\Delta p}_y &= \sum 2b_n(p_T, y_z) \sin n\phi, \\
 \overline{\Delta p}_z &= \sum 2c_n(p_T, y_z) \cos n\phi.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f' &= f - \left\{ \frac{\partial f(a_1 + b_1)}{\partial p_T} + f \left( -\frac{p_T}{m_T^2} \frac{\partial(a_1 + b_1) \tanh y_z}{\partial y_z} \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. + \frac{a_1 + b_1}{p_T} + \frac{2}{m_T} \frac{\partial c_0 / \cosh y_z}{\partial y_z} \right) \right\} \\
 &- \left\{ -f \frac{p_T}{m_T^2} \frac{\partial(a_0 + b_0) \tanh y_z}{\partial y_z} + \frac{\partial(a_0 + b_0) f}{\partial p_T} \right\} \cos \phi \\
 &- \sum_{n=1} \left\{ \frac{\partial f(a_{n+1} + b_{n+1} + a_{n-1} - b_{n-1})}{\partial p_T} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + f \frac{(n+1)(a_{n+1} + b_{n+1}) - (n-1)(a_{n-1} - b_{n-1})}{p_T} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \frac{p_T}{m_T^2} \frac{\partial \tanh y_z (a_{n+1} + b_{n+1} + a_{n-1} - b_{n-1})}{\partial y_z} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{2}{m_T} \frac{\partial c_n / \cosh y_z}{\partial y_z} \right\} \cos n\phi.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{7}$$

1. Charge-dependent **f** and **v<sub>n</sub>** can qualify the 3D distribution of e.m. field
2. Lorentz force in z direction can generate v<sub>n</sub>
3. At high p<sub>T</sub>  $f' = f - \sum_{n=0} \left( d_n \frac{\partial f}{\partial p_T} + e_n \frac{f}{p_T} \right) \cos n\phi$  (p<sub>T</sub> ≫ m)



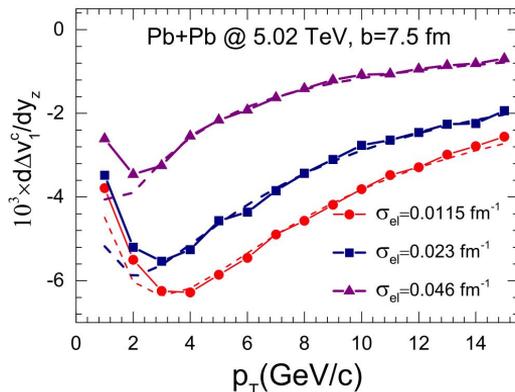
# II. Directed flow

Sun, Greco, Plumari, EPJP 136 (2021), 726

$$v_1 = \frac{p_T}{m_T^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial y_z} \left[ (a_0 + \frac{1}{2}(a_2 + b_2)) \tanh y_z \right] - \frac{1}{m_T} \frac{\partial c_1 / \cosh y_z}{\partial y_z} - [a_0 + \frac{1}{2}(a_2 + b_2)] \frac{\partial \ln f}{\partial p_T} - \frac{(a_2 + b_2)}{p_T} \quad (10)$$

$$\frac{d\Delta v_1^c}{dy_z} \Big|_{y_z=0} = \frac{d\Delta a_0}{dy_z} \Big|_{y_z=0} \left( -\frac{\partial \ln f_c}{\partial p_T} + \frac{2p_T}{m_T^2} \right) - \frac{1}{m_T} \left( \frac{d^2 c_1}{dy_z^2} - c_1 \right) = -\alpha \frac{\partial \ln f_c}{\partial p_T} + (2\alpha - \beta) \frac{p_T}{m_T^2}$$

$$\alpha \simeq -|q|K [\tau_1 B_y(\tau_1, 0) - \tau_0 B_y(\tau_0, 0)]$$



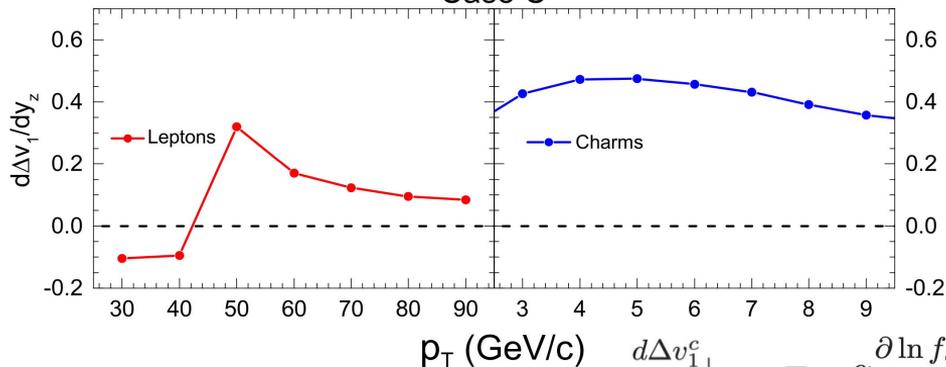
1. Confirmed by **c, b quarks** with **different e.m. fields**
2. Whole behavior mainly determined by  $B_y$  at two times, which are distinct by quark flavors

# II. Leptons from $Z^0$ decay

## Leptons from $Z^0$ decay as **a more ideal probe**

1. Clearer observables
2. Separable from other sources

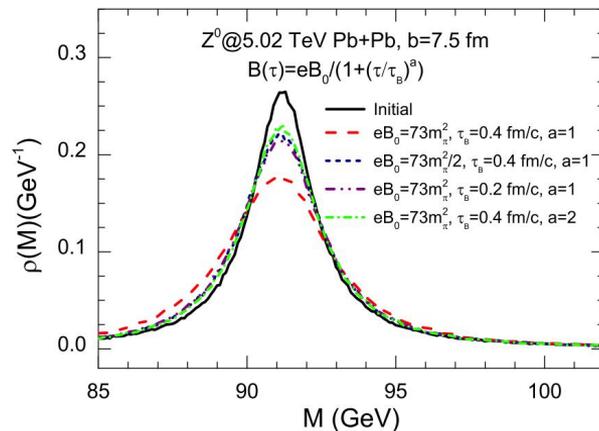
Case C Sun, Greco, Plumari, EPJP 136 (2021), 726



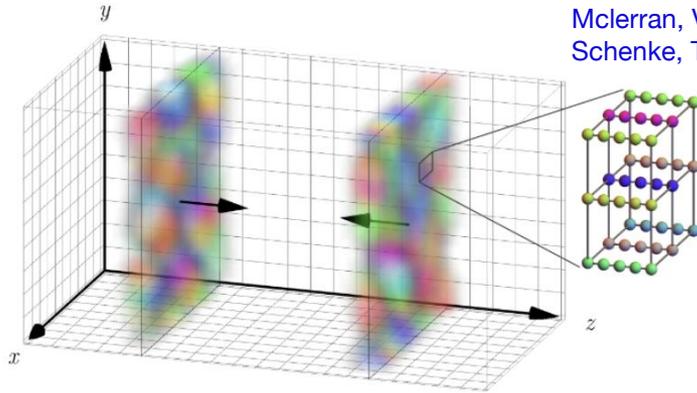
$$\frac{d\Delta v_1^c}{dy_z} \Big|_{y_z=0} = -\alpha \frac{\partial \ln f_c}{\partial p_T} + (2\alpha - \beta) \frac{p_T}{m_T^2}$$

1. The effect on leptons is comparable to charm though significant  $p_T$  different
2. Invariant mass measurement can probe e.m. fields, mainly the time accumulation

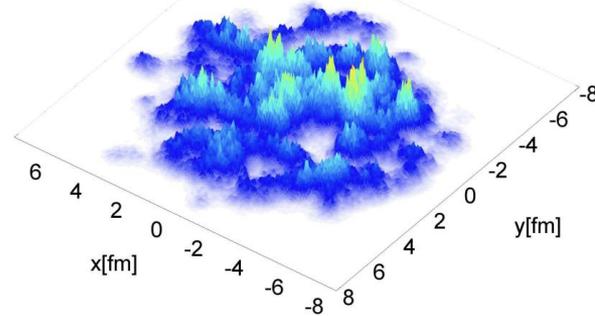
Sun, Greco, Wang, PLB 827 (2022), 136962



# III. Glasma field



Mclerran, Venugopalan, PRD 49 (1994), 2233  
 Schenke, Tribedy, Venugopalan, PRC 86 (2012), 034908



Sun et al, PLB 798 (2019), 134933

$$\partial^\mu F_{\mu\nu}^a + g f^{abc} A^{b\mu} F_{\mu\nu}^c = -J_\nu^a \quad \text{Yang-Mills equations}$$

$$\frac{dx_i}{dt} = \frac{p_i}{E},$$

$$E \frac{dp_i}{dt} = Q_a F_{i\nu}^a p^\nu$$

$$E \frac{dQ_a}{dt} = -Q_c \varepsilon^{cba} A_b \cdot p$$

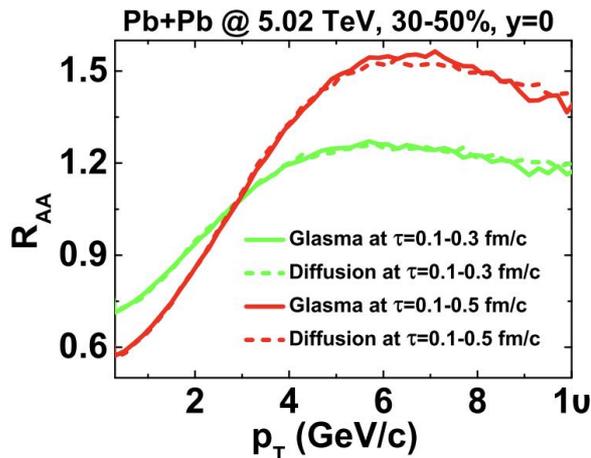
Wong equations

1. CGC is used to generate energy density and  $n_5$
2. We employ the classical equations to model the effect of glasma on charm quarks

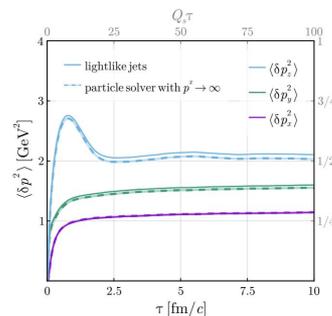
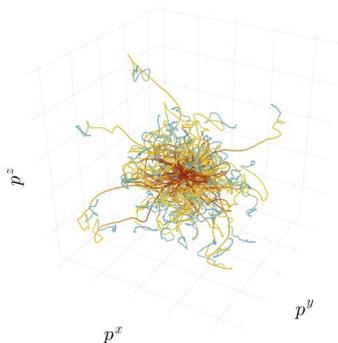


# III. Momentum broadening

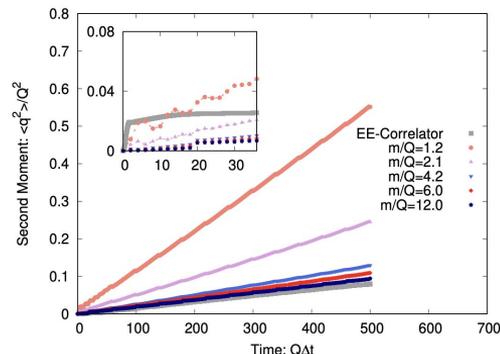
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Avramescu et al, PRD 107 (2023), 114021



Pandey, Schlichting, Sharma, arXiv:2312.12280



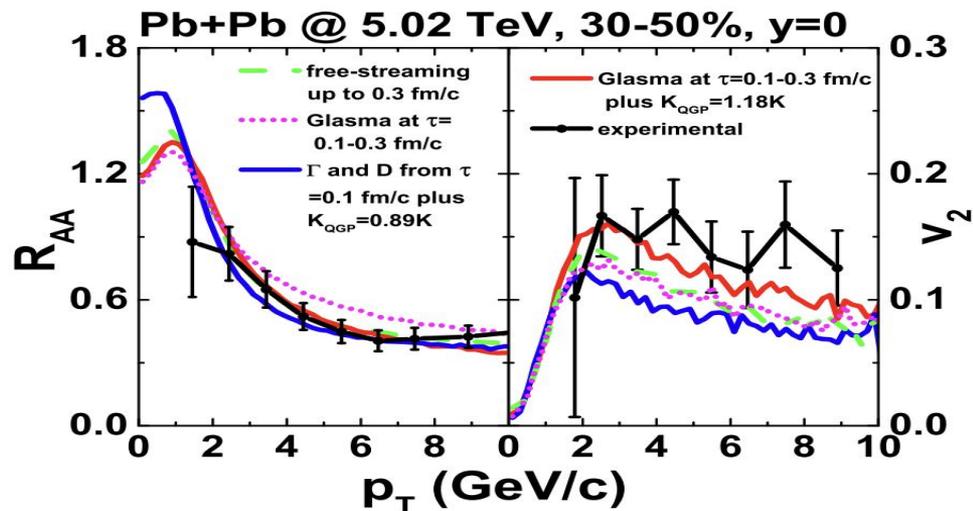
$$dx_i = \frac{p_i}{E} dt,$$

$$dp_i = -\Gamma p_i dt + C_{ij} p_j \sqrt{dt},$$

1. The effect of glasma on HQs/jets is similar to the effect of diffusion
2. Quantum and classical simulations are different

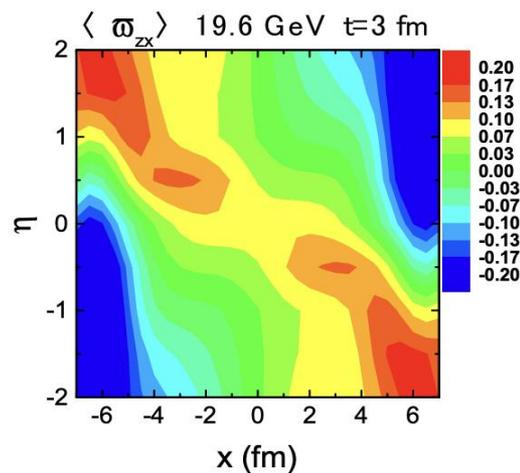
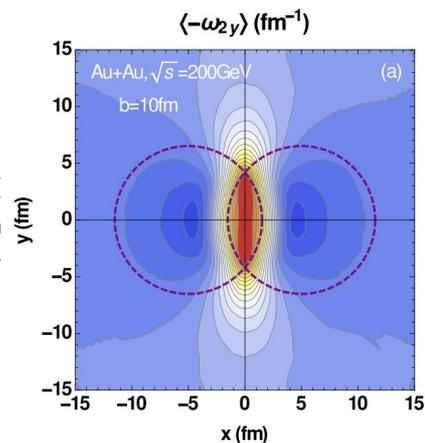
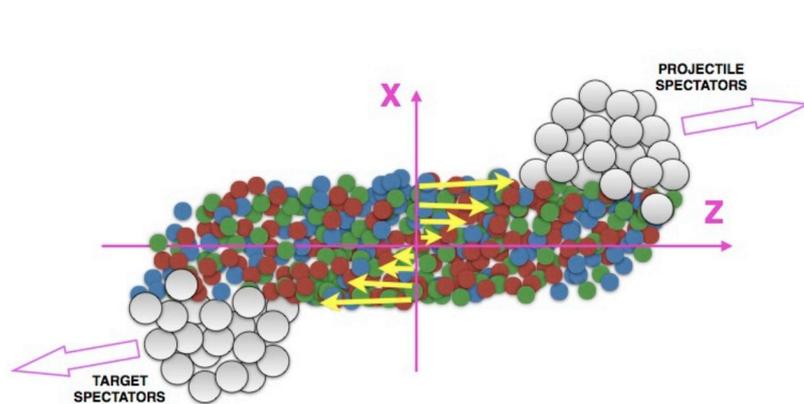
# III. Impact in RHICs

Sun et al, PLB 798 (2019), 134933



1. Alter the relation between  $R_{AA}$  and  $v_2$
2. Should be extended to include jets and pA systems

# IV. Vorticity field



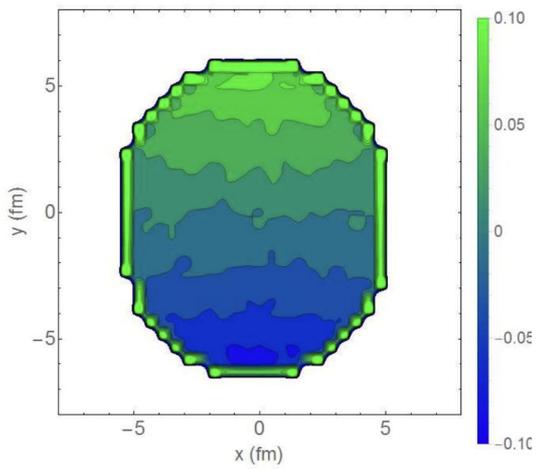
Jiang, Lin, Liao, PRC 94 (2016), 044910  
Deng, Huang, PRC 93 (2016), 064907  
Wei, Deng, Huang, PRC 99 (2019), 014905

1. A long-lived vorticity
2. Strong spatial dependence and large variation

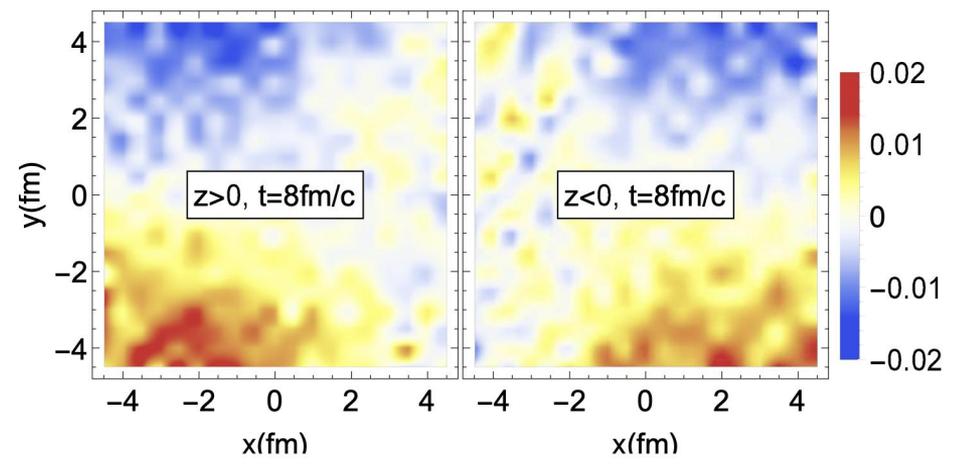
# IV. Axial charge of u, d quarks

$$j_\mu^5 = \left( \frac{T^2}{6} + \frac{\mu^2}{2\pi^2} \right) \omega_\mu$$

Sun, Ko, PRC 95 (2017), 034909



Liu, Sun, Ko, PRL 125 (2020), 062301

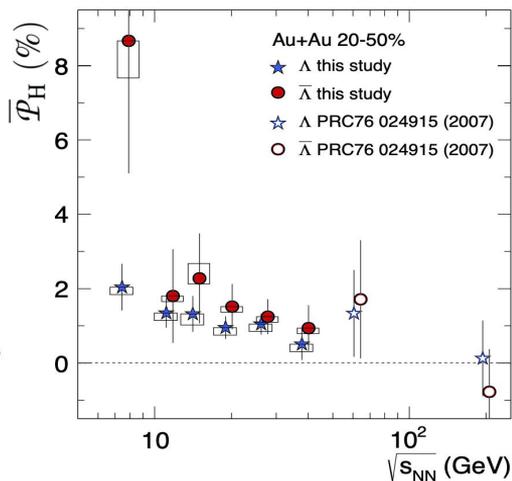


1. Chiral kinetic approaches: simulate the evolution
2. The axial charge is redistributed due to axial vorticity effect
3. The detection is crucial to understand chiral symmetry restoration in QGP



# IV. Spin polarization

STAR, Nature 548 (2017)



$$S^\mu(x, p) = -\frac{s(s+1)}{6m} (1 - n_F) \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} p_\nu \varpi_{\rho\sigma}(x)$$

Becattini et al., AP 338 (2013)

**Is spin DOE thermalized?**

$$j_\mu^5 = \left( \frac{T^2}{6} + \frac{\mu^2}{2\pi^2} \right) \omega_\mu \quad \text{Spin polarization vector}$$

$$\frac{dN_\Lambda}{d^3\mathbf{P}_\Lambda} = g_C g_S \int d^3\mathbf{x}_1 d^3\mathbf{p}_1 d^3\mathbf{x}_2 d^3\mathbf{p}_2 d^3\mathbf{x}_3 d^3\mathbf{p}_3 f_{q_1}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{p}_1) f_{q_2}(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{p}_2) f_{q_3}(\mathbf{x}_3, \mathbf{p}_3) \times W_\Lambda(\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{k}_1; \mathbf{y}_2, \mathbf{k}_2) \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{P}_\Lambda - \mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_2 - \mathbf{p}_3)$$

$$g_S = \frac{1}{4} (1 - \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \hat{\mathbf{p}}_1 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{p}}_2) \quad \text{Spin Coalescence}$$

Sun, Ko, PRC 96 (2017), 024906

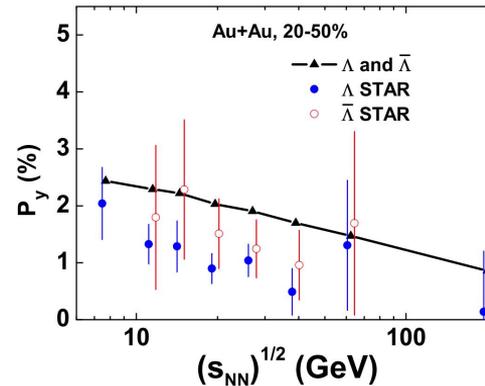
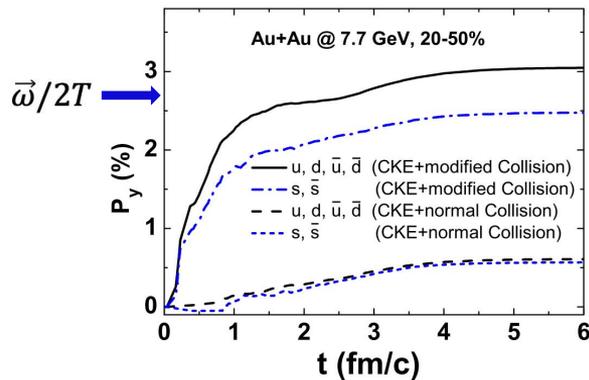
1. Spin relaxation time is longer
2. Spin polarization by chiral kinetic approaches+spin coalescence

# IV. Spin polarization by CKT

$$\frac{\partial F_A}{\partial t} + \nabla_x \cdot \left( \frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dt} F_A \right) + \nabla_p \cdot \left( \frac{d\mathbf{p}}{dt} F_A \right) = -\frac{1}{E_A} \int_{BCD} |\mathcal{M}|^2 (2\pi)^4 \delta(p_A + p_B - p_C - p_D) (F_A F_B \sqrt{G_C G_D} - F_C F_D \sqrt{G_A G_B})$$

$$\frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dt} = \frac{\hat{\mathbf{p}} + \lambda \frac{\boldsymbol{\omega}}{|\mathbf{p}|}}{1 + a\lambda |\mathbf{p}| (\mathbf{b} \cdot \boldsymbol{\omega})}, \quad \frac{d\mathbf{p}}{dt} = 0$$

Sun, Ko, PRC 96 (2017), 024906



1. CKT can describe global spin polarization

# IV. Covariant CKT

## How to incorporate vorticity self-consistently?

$$J_A^{\mu\nu} + J_B^{\mu\nu} = J_C^{\mu\nu} + J_D^{\mu\nu}$$

$$J^{\mu\nu} \equiv x^\mu p^\nu - x^\nu p^\mu + S^{\mu\nu}$$

$$S^{\mu\nu} \equiv \lambda \frac{\epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} p_\rho n_\sigma}{np}$$

$$n \equiv (1, \mathbf{0})$$

$$\lambda = \pm \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \hat{\mathbf{p}} + \dot{\mathbf{p}} \times \mathbf{b};$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{p}} = \mathbf{E} + \dot{\mathbf{x}} \times \mathbf{B}.$$

$$\mathbf{b} = \frac{\hat{\mathbf{p}}}{2|\mathbf{p}|^2}$$

Stephanov, Yin, PRL 109 (2012), 162001

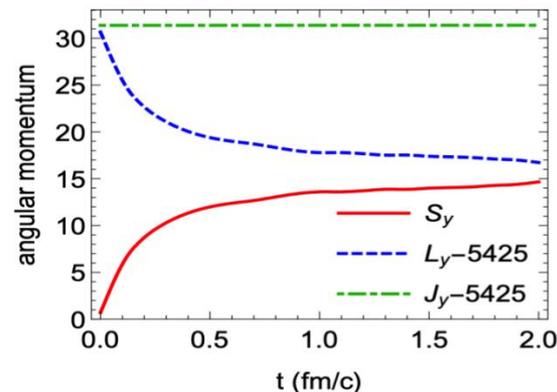
$$\frac{d\mathbf{J}}{dt} = \frac{d(\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{p} \pm \frac{\hat{\mathbf{p}}}{2})}{dt} \quad \text{Sun, Ko, Li, PRC 94 (2016), 045204}$$

$$= \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} \times \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{r} \times \frac{d\mathbf{p}}{dt} \pm \left[ \frac{\dot{\mathbf{p}}}{2p} - \mathbf{p} \left( \frac{\mathbf{p}}{2p^3} \cdot \dot{\mathbf{p}} \right) \right]$$

$$= \left( \dot{\mathbf{r}} \mp \dot{\mathbf{p}} \times \frac{\mathbf{p}}{2p^3} \right) \times \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F},$$

Liu, Sun, Ko, PRL 125 (2020), 062301

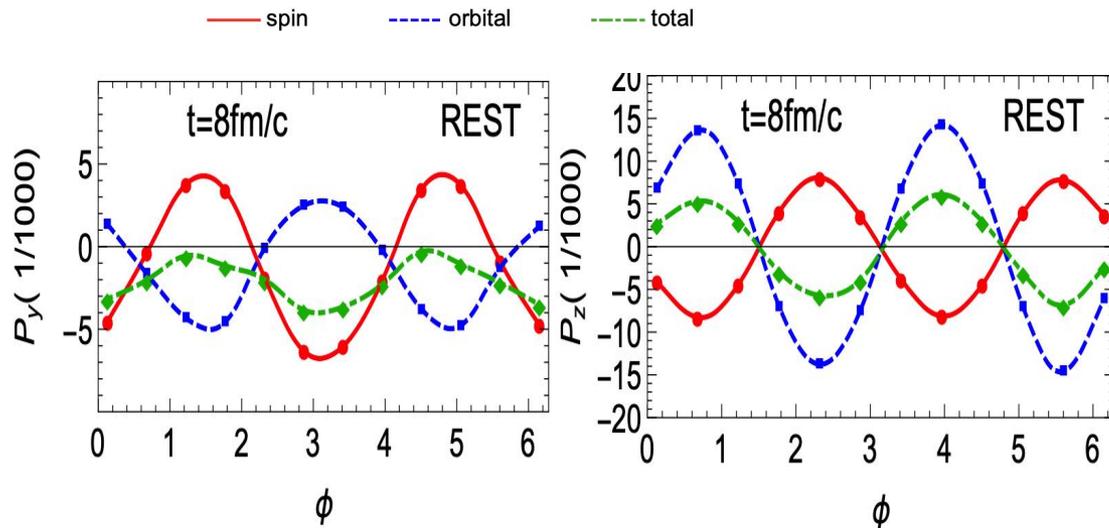
For massless particle, one can not conserve spin and orbital angular momentum separately; introduce nonlocal collision



# IV. Covariant CKT

$$j_5^\mu(x, p) = \lambda(p^\mu + S^{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu) f(x, p)$$

Liu, Sun, Ko, PRL 125 (2020), 062301



## 1. Covariant CKT describes local polarization

# Summary

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1. The strong fields in RHICs generate many interesting phenomena, and help to understand QCD; Need experimental work
2. Remaining questions
  1. Quantatively explain experiment data on  $v_1$
  2. Spin transport of massive particles in QGP and hadron gas phase
  3. Pusedogauge transformation
  4. Spin alignment of J/Psi

Thanks!

