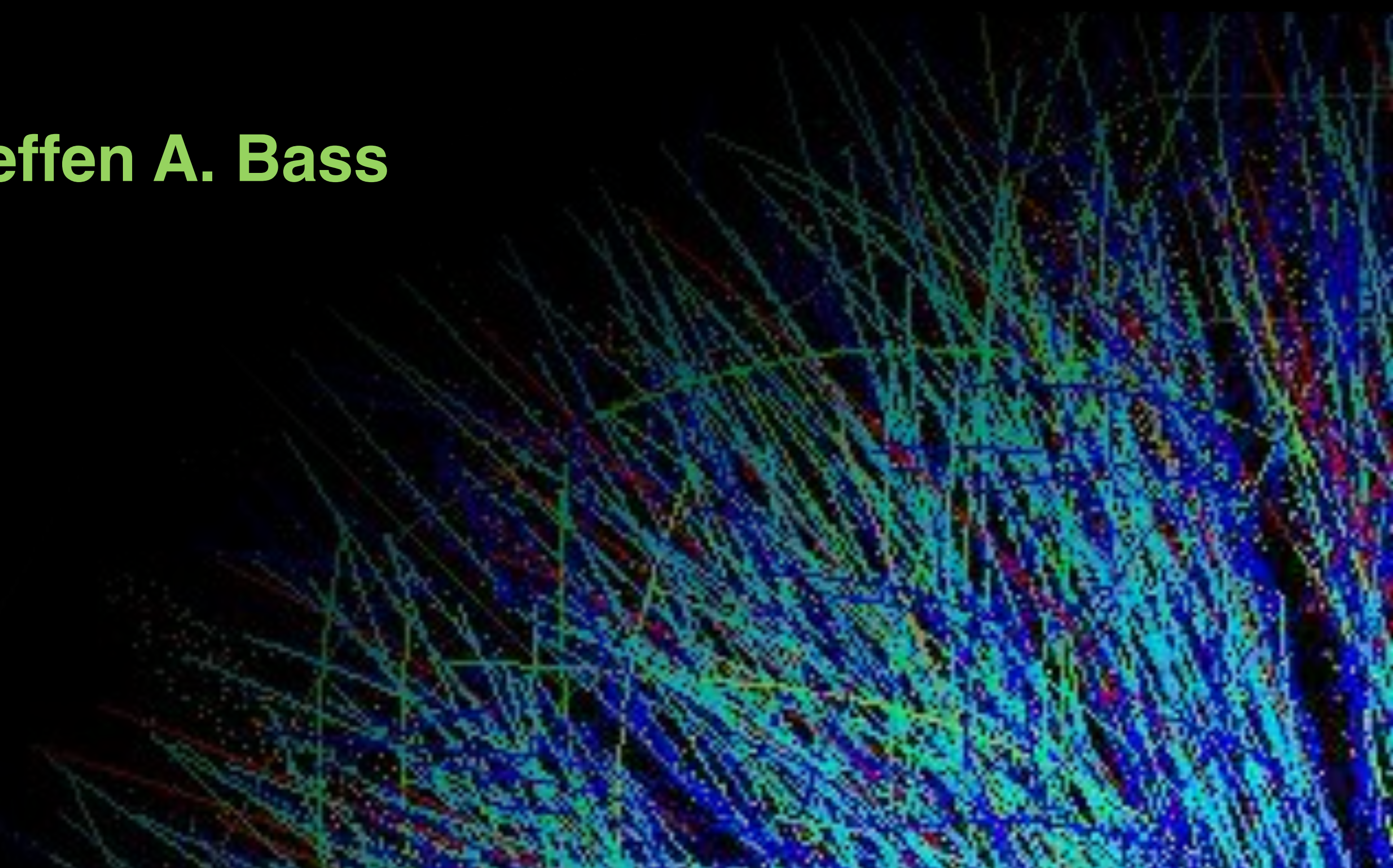
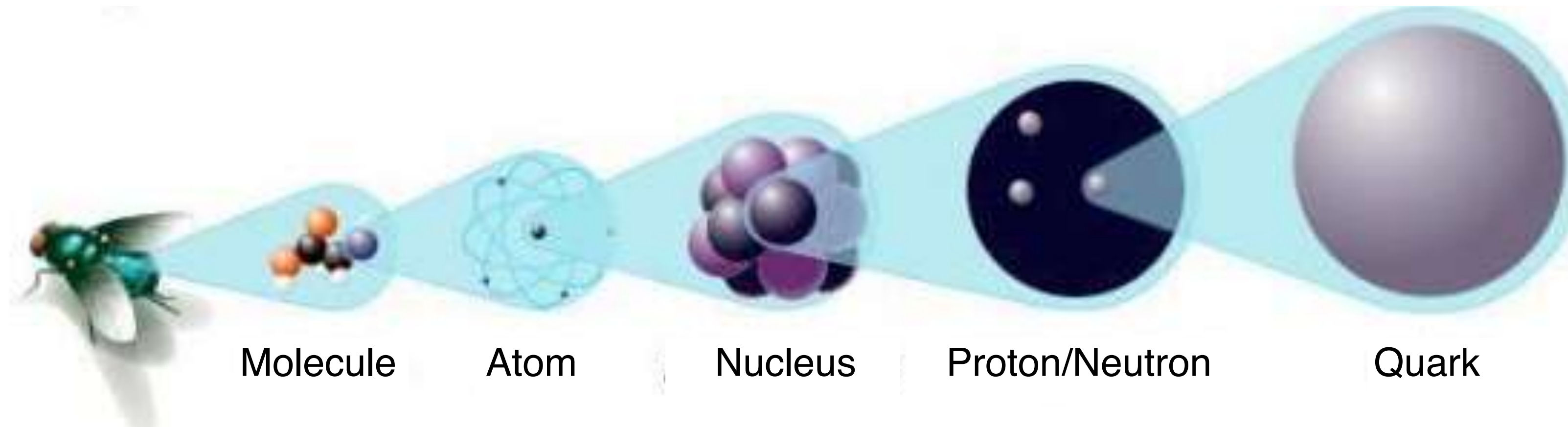


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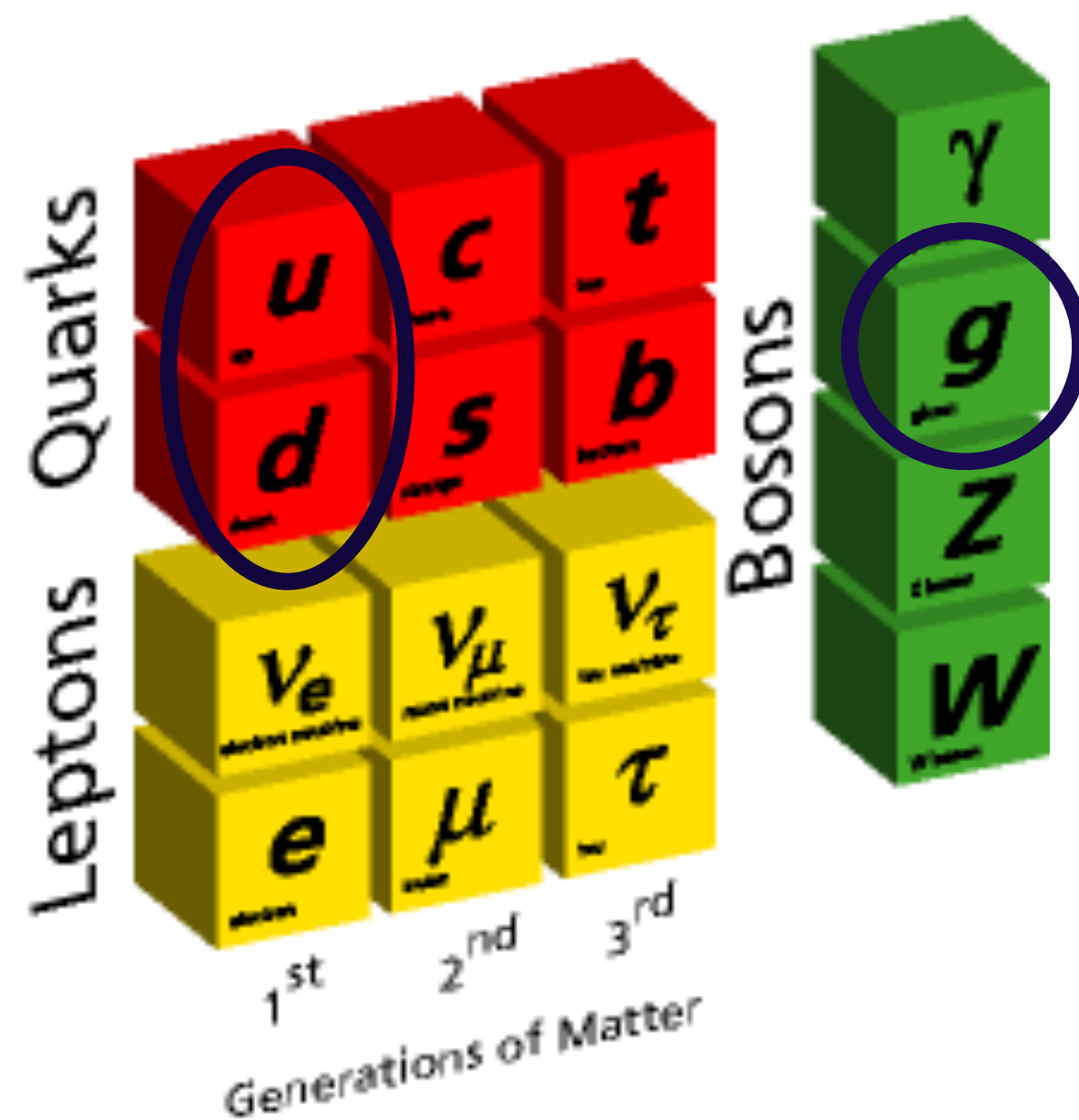
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Quarks & Gluons: Elementary Building-Blocks of Matter



Elementary Particles:



- 12 elementary building blocks of nature (plus anti-particles)
- only need three for creation of ordinary matter (**u, d, e**)
- strong force mediates the interaction between quarks via exchange of gluons: Quantum-Chromo-Dynamics (QCD)

Phases of Matter

by adding/removing heat, phase of matter can be changed between solid, liquid and gaseous



solid



liquid



gaseous

Pressure plays an important role for the value of the transition temperature between the phases

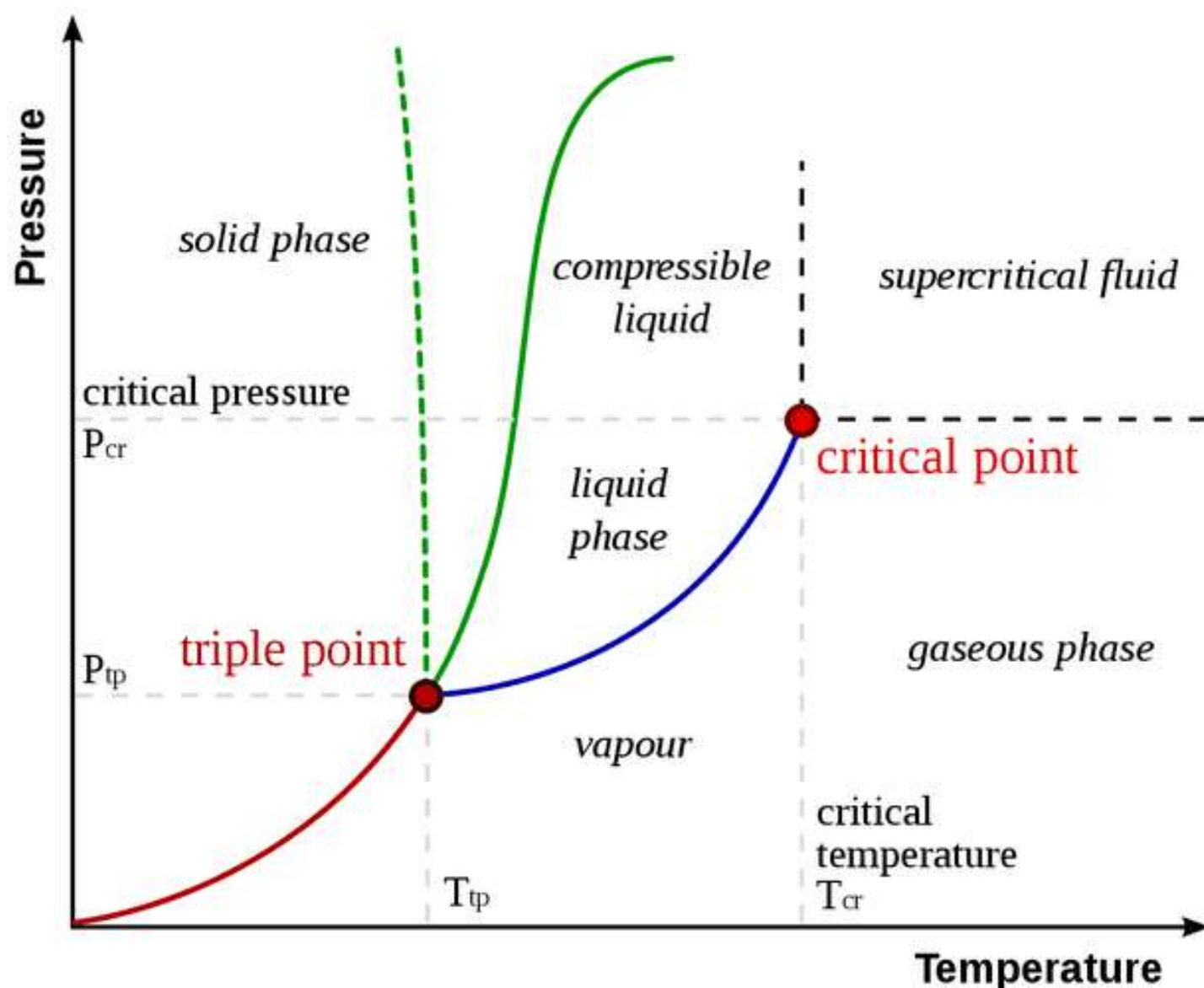


- boiling temperature:**
- sea level: 100 °C
 - Mt. Everest: 71 °C

Phase Diagram of QCD Matter

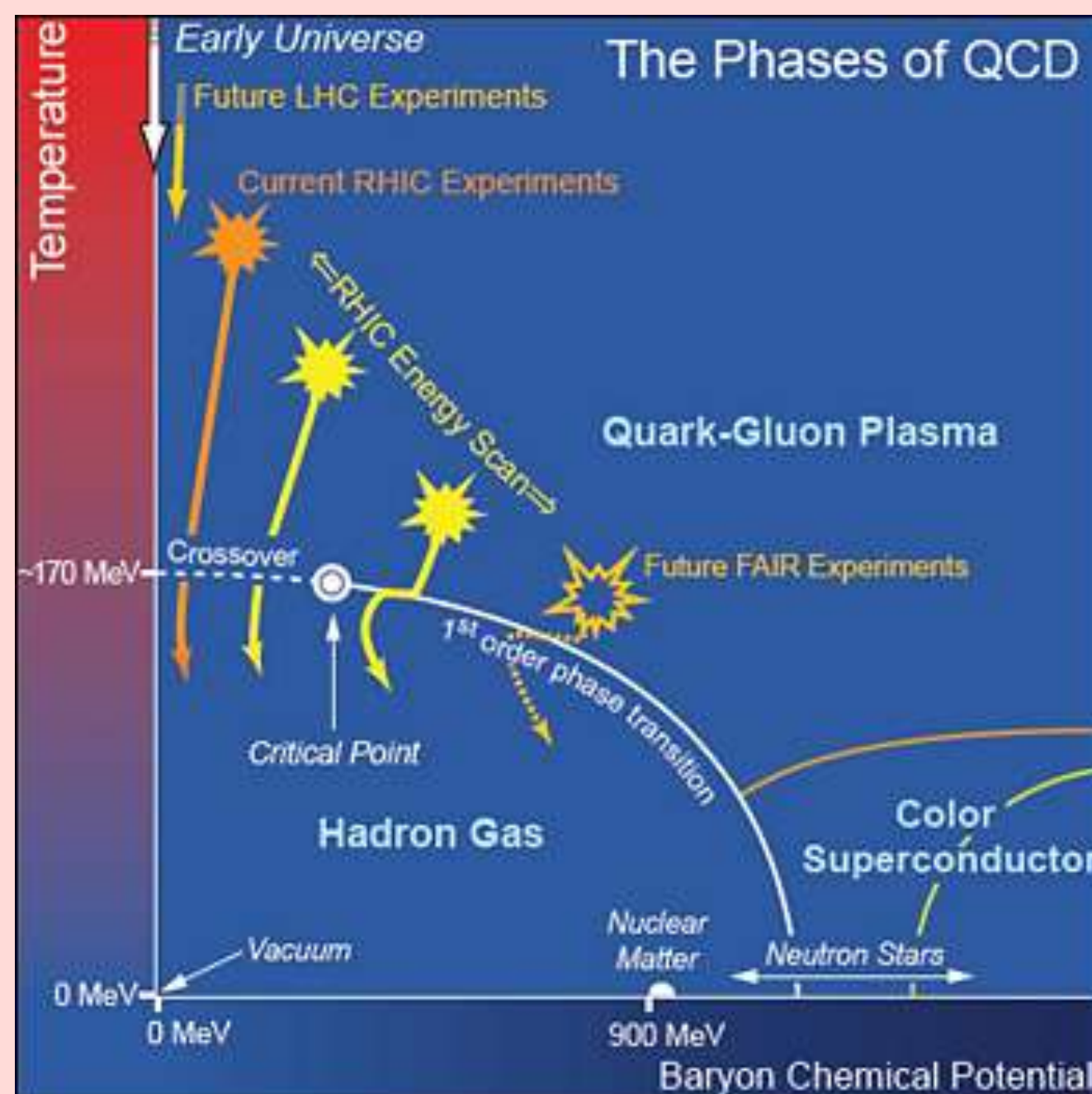
Ordinary Matter:

- phases determined by (electromagnetic) interaction between molecules
- apply heat & pressure to study phase-diagram
- calculate via derivatives of partition function



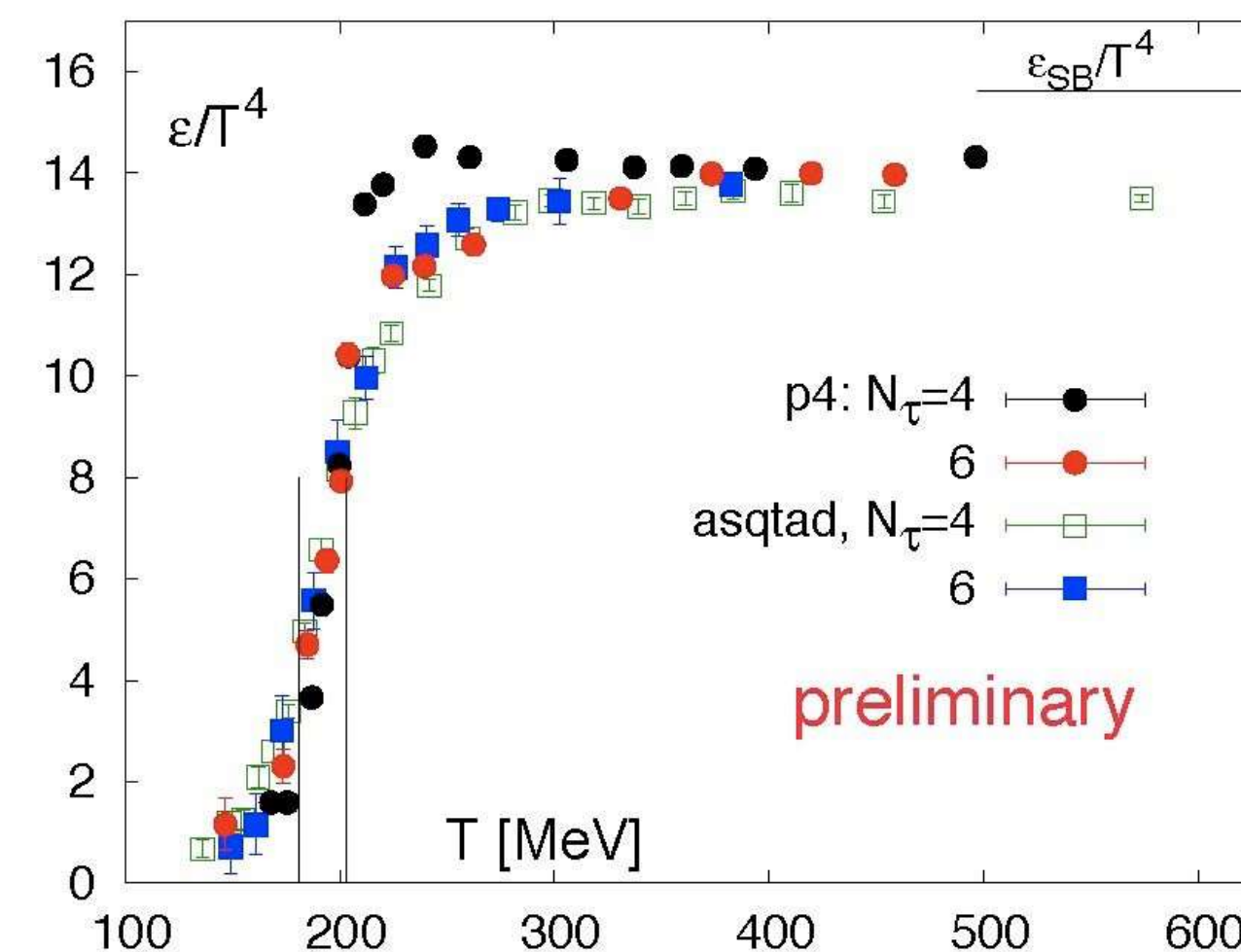
Phases of QCD matter:

- heat & compress QCD matter:
 - ▶ collide heavy atomic nuclei
- numerical simulations:
 - ▶ solve partition function (Lattice Field Theory)



Equation of State for an ideal QGP:

- LFT predicts a phase-transition to a state of deconfined nearly massless quarks and gluons
- QCD becomes simple at high temperature and/or density

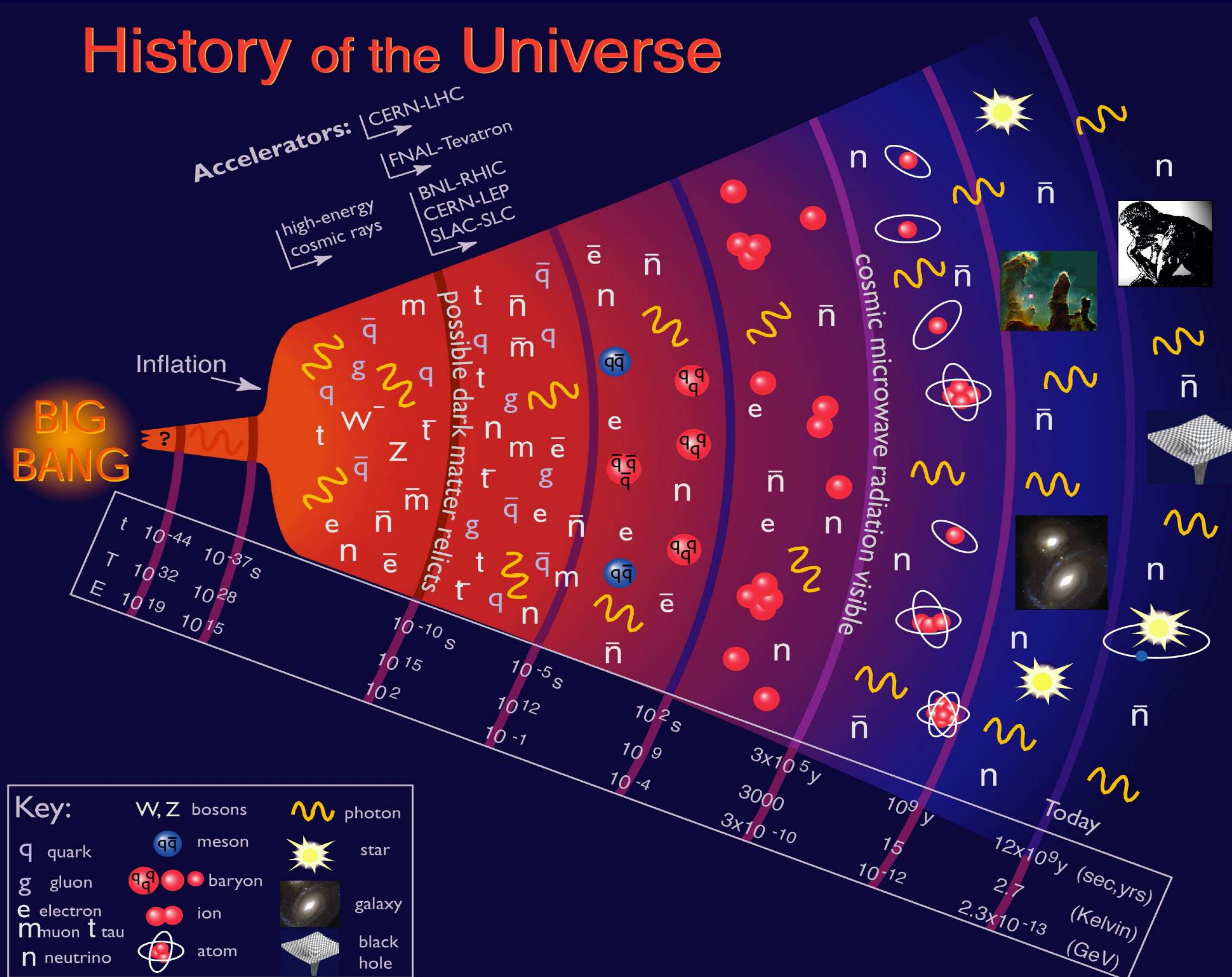


e.g. for a gas of ultra-relativistic massless bosons, steep rise would indicate a change in DOFs:

$$\epsilon = \frac{\pi^2}{30} g_{\text{DOF}} T^4$$

The Early Universe: Quark-Gluon-Plasma

History of the Universe



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- a few microseconds after the Big Bang the entire Universe was in a QGP state
- compressing & heating nuclear matter allows to investigate the history of the Universe
- the only means of recreating temperatures and densities of the early Universe is by colliding beams of ultra-relativistic heavy-ions

Properties of QCD: Transport Coefficients

shear and **bulk** viscosity are defined as the coefficients in the expansion of the stress tensor in terms of the **velocity fields**:

$$T_{ik} = \varepsilon u_i u_k + P (\delta_{ik} + u_i u_k) - \eta \left(\nabla_i u_k + \nabla_k u_i - \frac{2}{3} \delta_{ik} \nabla \cdot u \right) + \zeta \delta_{ik} \nabla \cdot u$$

η/s from Lattice QCD:



The confines of the Euklidian Formulation:

- extracting η/s formally requires taking the zero momentum limit in an infinite spatial volume, which is numerically not possible...

• preliminary estimates:

T	1.58 T _c	2.32 T _c
η/s	0.2-0.25	0.25-0.5

A. Nakamura & S. Sakai: Phys. Rev. Lett. **94** (2005) 072305
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The determination of the QCD transport coefficients is one of the key goals of the global relativistic heavy-ion effort!

QGP Shear-Viscosity: 2006 vs. today

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Strongly Interacting Low-Viscosity Matter Created in Relativistic Nuclear Collisions

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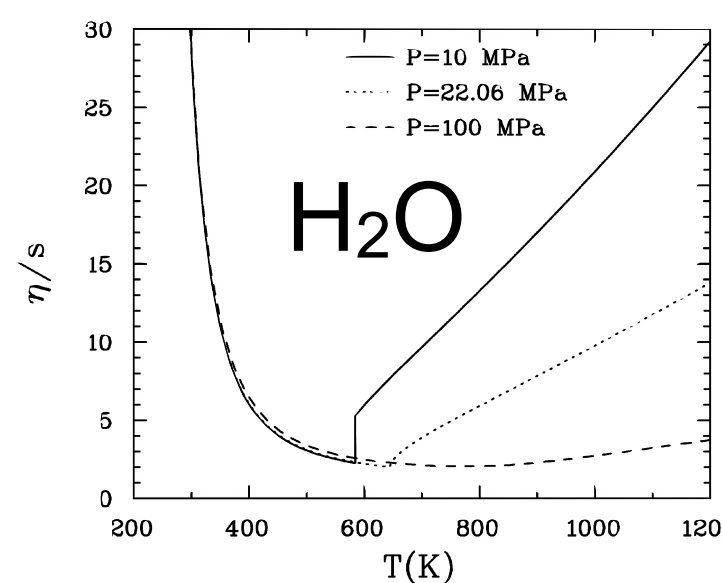
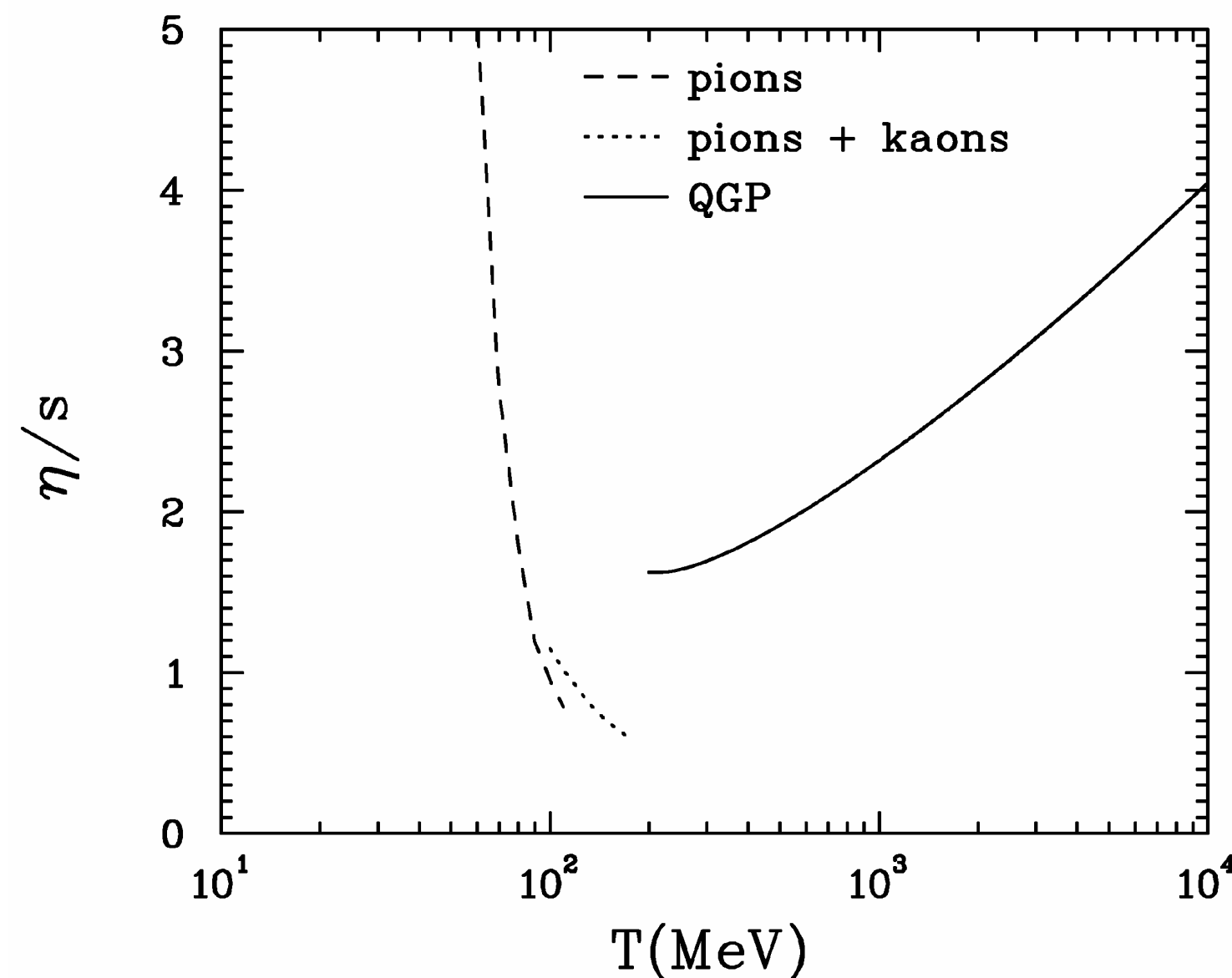
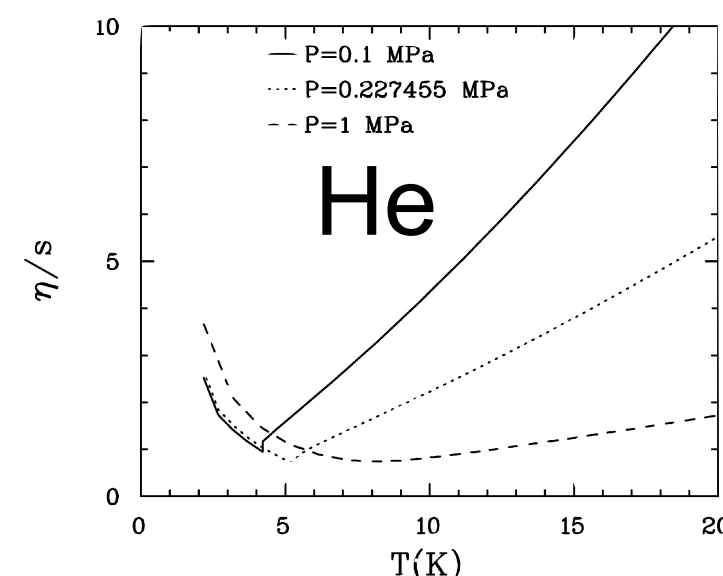
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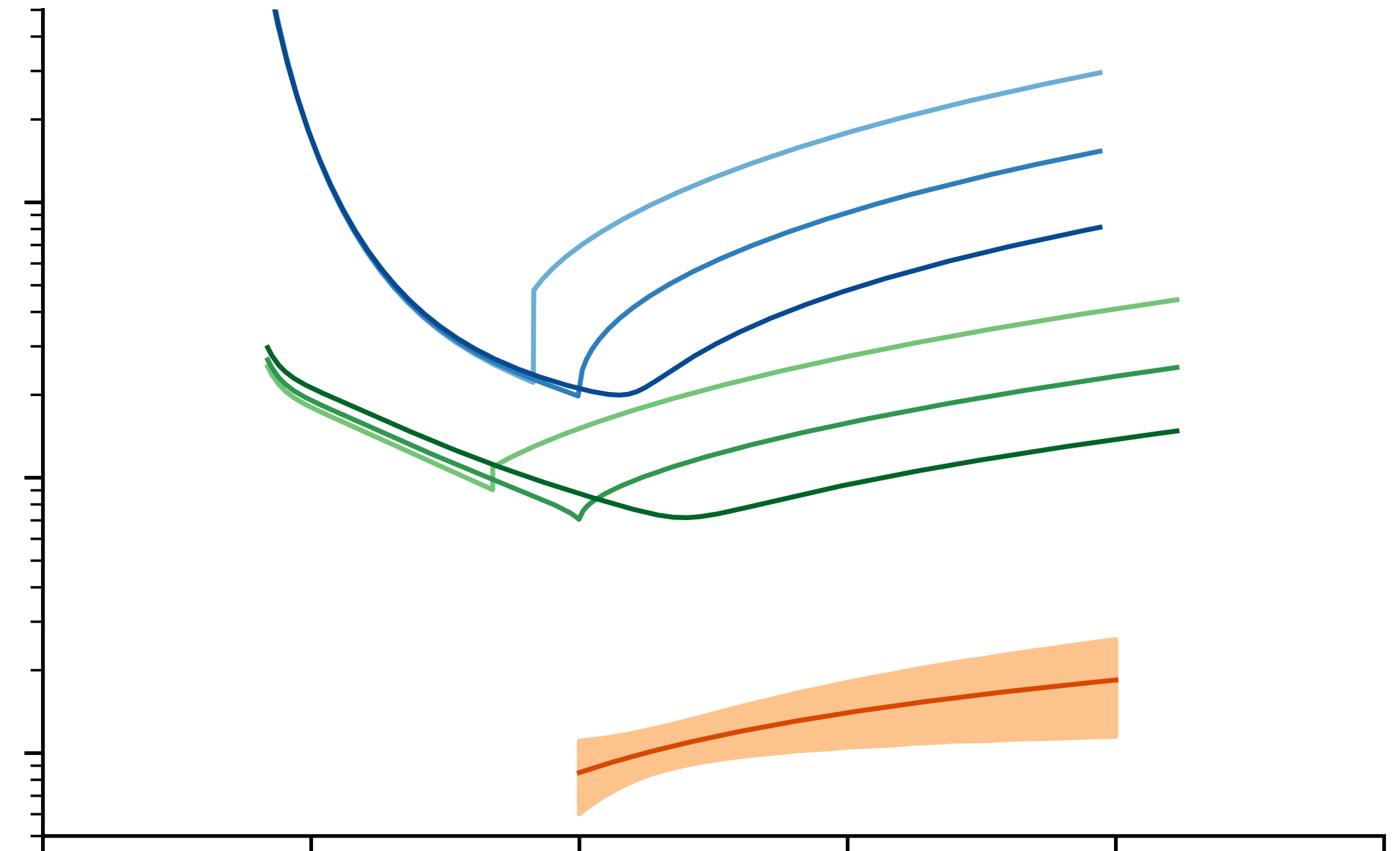
Substantial collective flow is observed in collisions between large nuclei at BNL RHIC (Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider) as evidenced by single-particle transverse momentum distributions and by azimuthal correlations among the produced particles. The data are well reproduced by perfect fluid dynamics. A calculation of the dimensionless ratio of shear viscosity η to entropy density s by Kovtun, Son, and Starinets within anti-de Sitter space/conformal field theory yields $\eta/s = \hbar/4\pi k_B$, which has been conjectured to be a lower bound for any physical system. Motivated by these results, we show that the transition from hadrons to quarks and gluons has behavior similar to helium, nitrogen, and water at and near their phase transitions in the ratio η/s . We suggest that experimental measurements can pinpoint the location of this transition or rapid crossover in QCD.

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- more than a decade of hard work by multiple research groups
- cooperation between theory & experiment
- significant investment by the funding agencies

Telescopes for the Early Universe: Heavy-Ion Collider Facilities

Heating & Compressing QCD Matter

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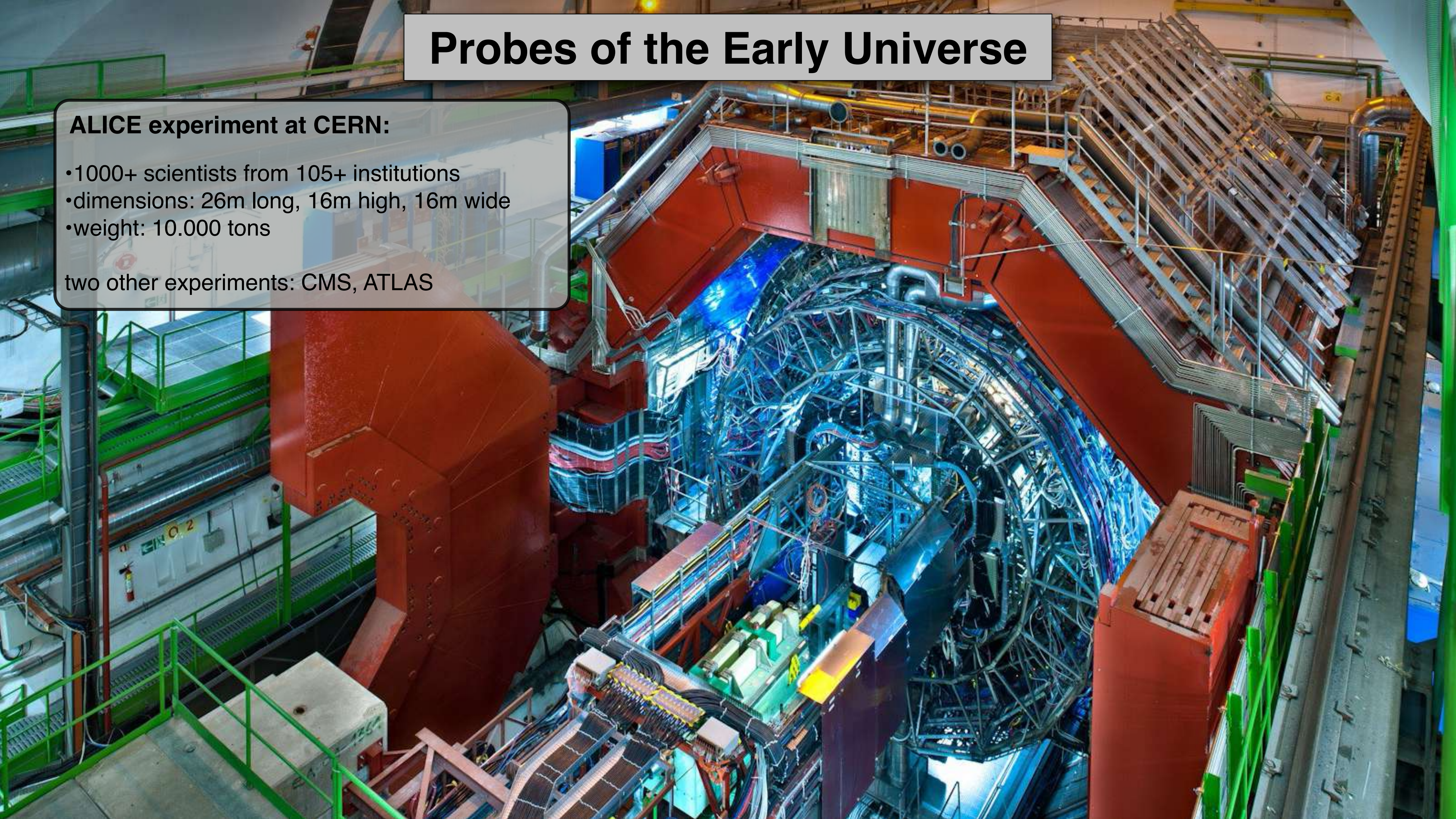


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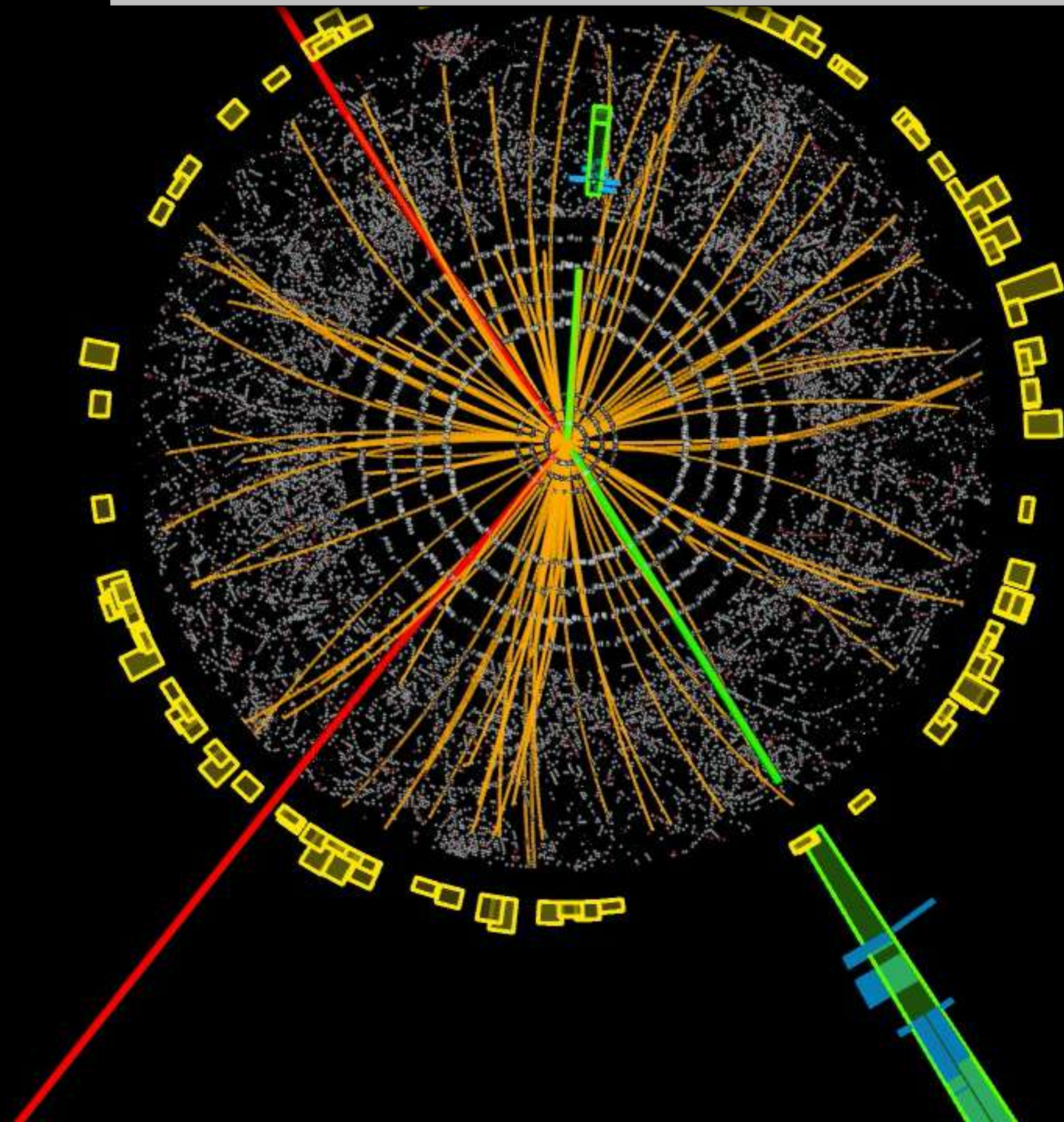
ALICE experiment at CERN:

- 1000+ scientists from 105+ institutions
- dimensions: 26m long, 16m high, 16m wide
- weight: 10.000 tons

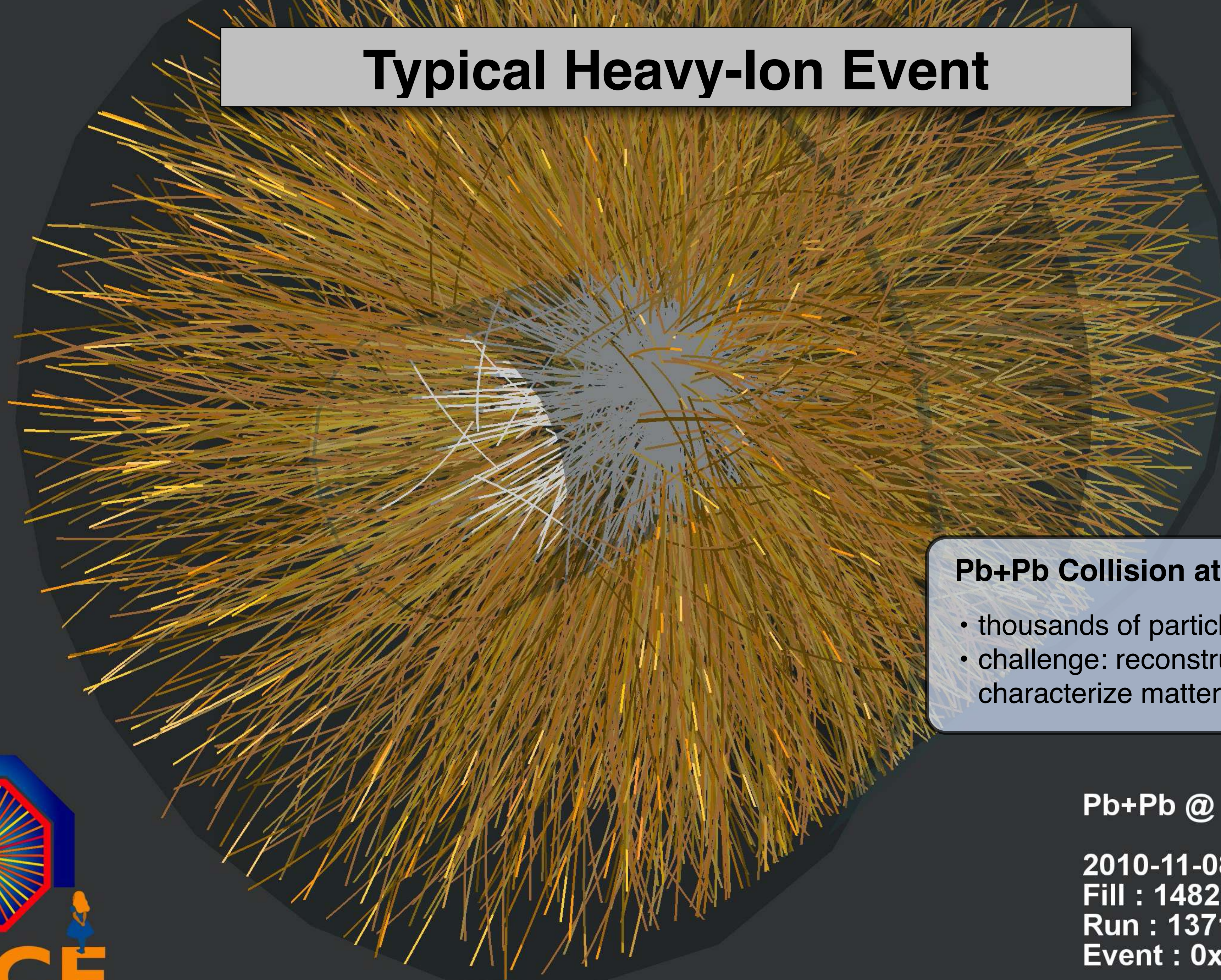
two other experiments: CMS, ATLAS



Typical Particle Physics Event



Typical Heavy-Ion Event



Pb+Pb Collision at the LHC:

- thousands of particle tracks
- challenge: reconstruction of final state to characterize matter created in collision

Pb+Pb @ $\sqrt{s} = 2.76$ ATeV

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Transport Theory: Connecting Data to Knowledge

Transport Theory

microscopic transport models based on the Boltzmann Equation:

- transport of a system of microscopic particles
- all interactions are based on **binary scattering**

$$\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \frac{\vec{p}}{E} \times \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{r}} \right] f_1(\vec{p}, \vec{r}, t) = \sum_{\text{processes}} C(\vec{p}, \vec{r}, t)$$

diffusive transport models based on the Langevin Equation:

- transport of a system of microscopic particles in a thermal medium
- interactions contain a **drag term** related to the properties of the medium and a **noise term** representing random collisions

$$\vec{p}(t + \Delta t) = \vec{p}(t) - \frac{\kappa}{2T} \vec{v} \cdot \Delta t + \vec{\xi}(t) \Delta t$$

(viscous) relativistic fluid dynamics:

- transport of macroscopic degrees of freedom
- based on conservation laws:

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu} &= 0 \\ T_{ik} &= \varepsilon u_i u_k + P (\delta_{ik} + u_i u_k) \\ &- \eta \left(\nabla_i u_k + \nabla_k u_i - \frac{2}{3} \delta_{ik} \nabla \cdot u \right) \\ &+ \zeta \delta_{ik} \nabla \cdot u \end{aligned}$$

(plus an additional 9 eqns. for dissipative flows)

hybrid transport models:

- combine microscopic & macroscopic degrees of freedom
- current state of the art for RHIC modeling

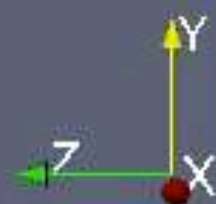
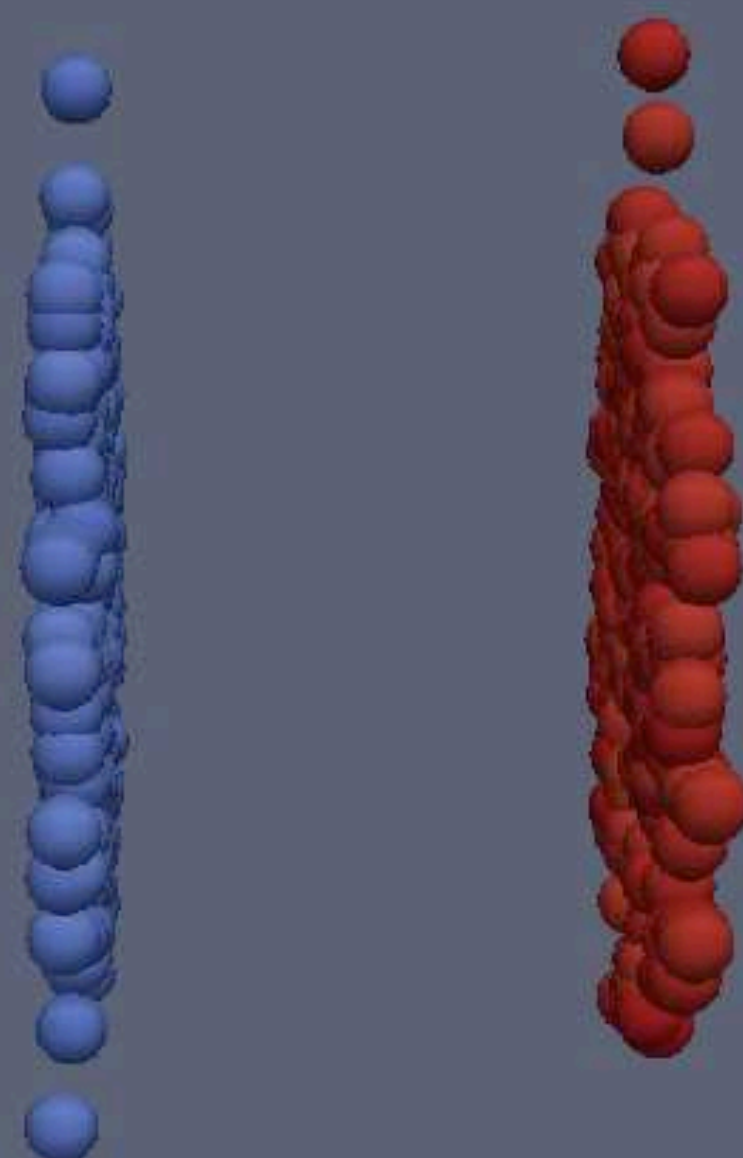
Each transport model relies on roughly a dozen physics parameters to describe the time-evolution of the collision and its final state. These physics parameters act as a representation of the information we wish to extract from RHIC & LHC.

Computational Modeling

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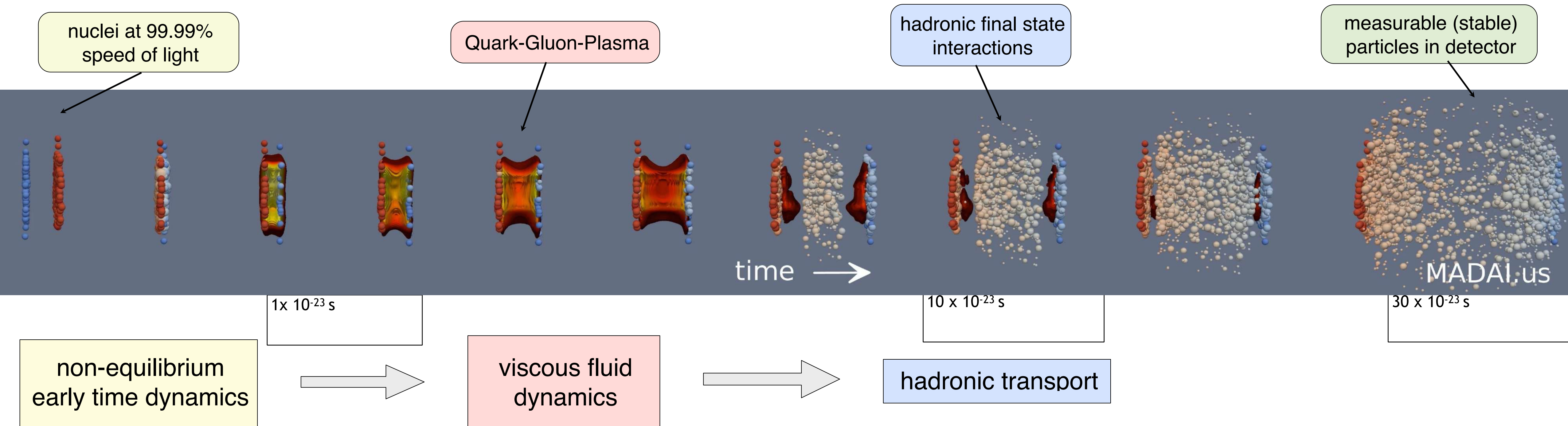
3+1D Hydro + Boltzmann Hybrid

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Probing the QGP in Relativistic Heavy-Ion Collisions



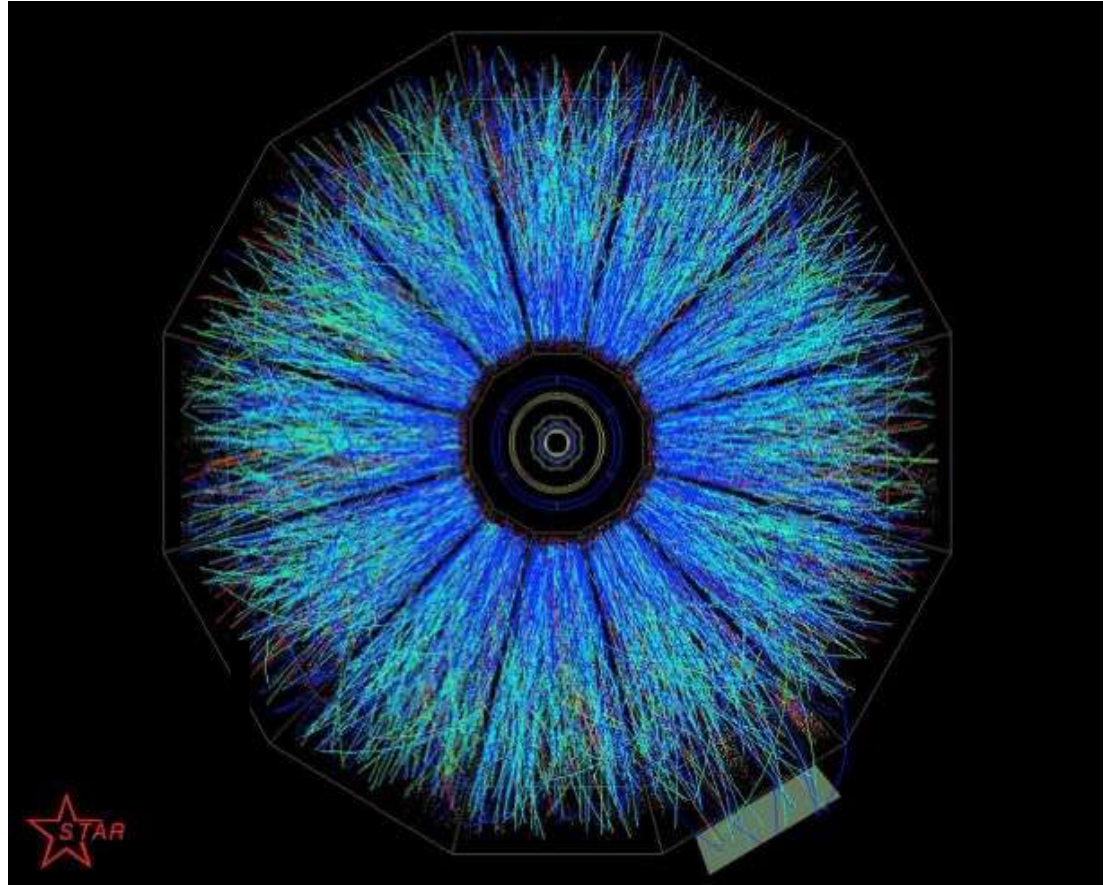
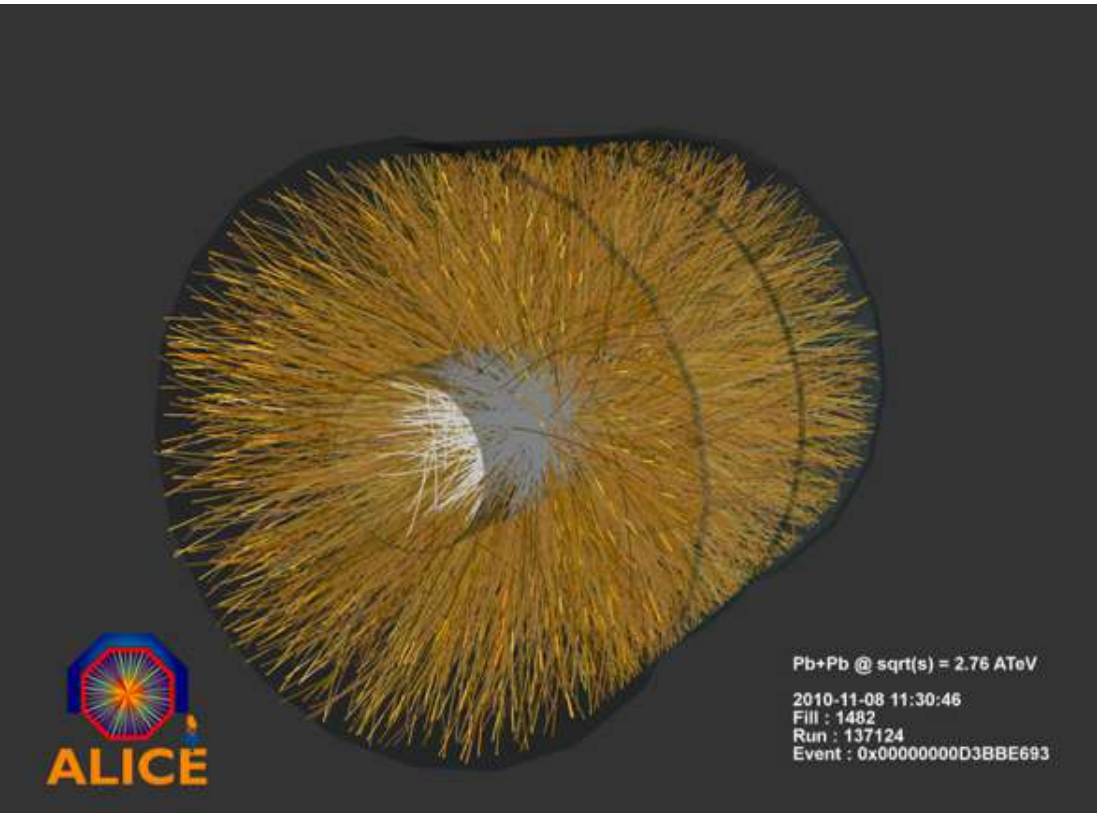
Principal Challenges of Probing the QGP with Heavy-Ion Collisions:

- time-scale of the collision process: 10^{-24} seconds! [too short to resolve]
 - characteristic length scale: 10^{-15} meters! [too small to resolve]
 - confinement: quarks & gluons form bound states, experiments don't observe them directly
- **computational models are needed to connect the experiments to QGP properties!**

Knowledge Extraction from Relativistic Heavy-Ion Collisions

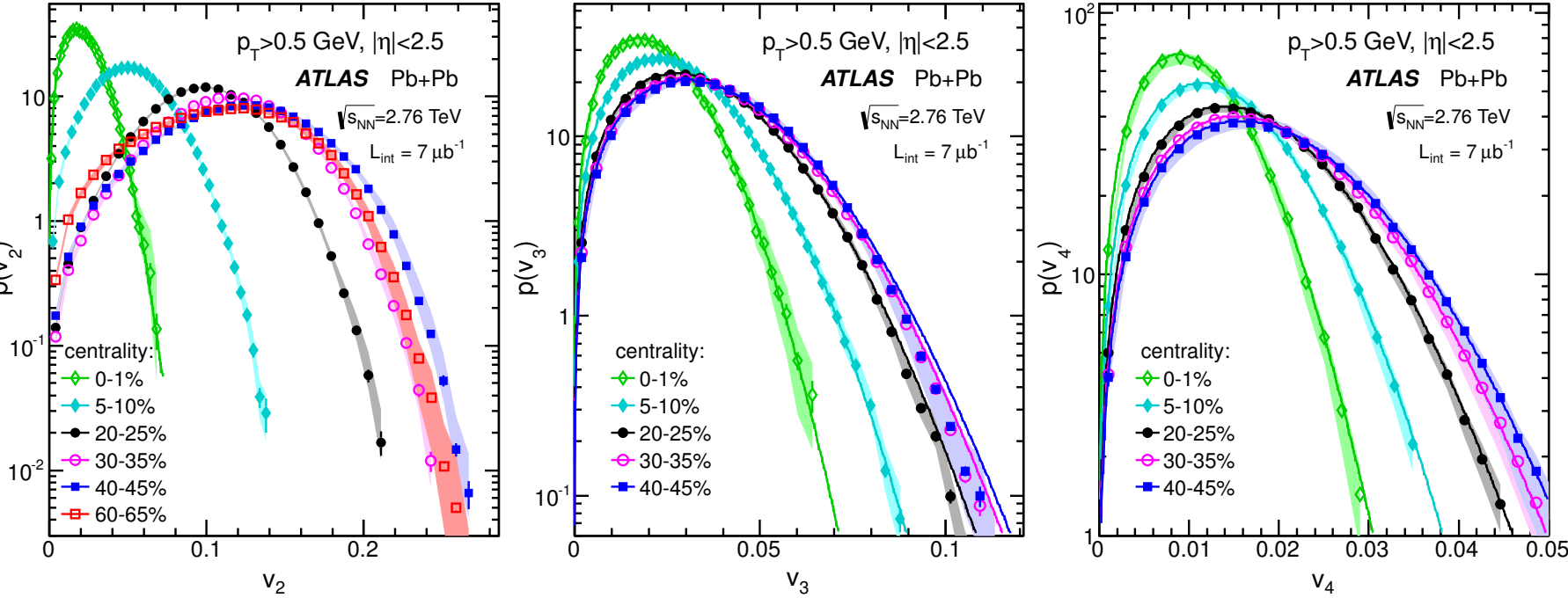
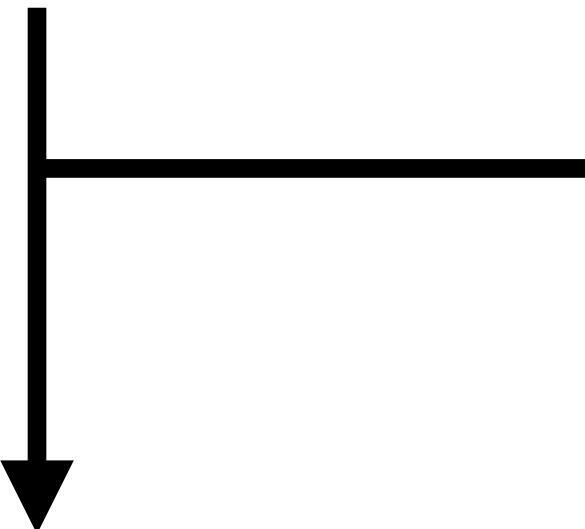
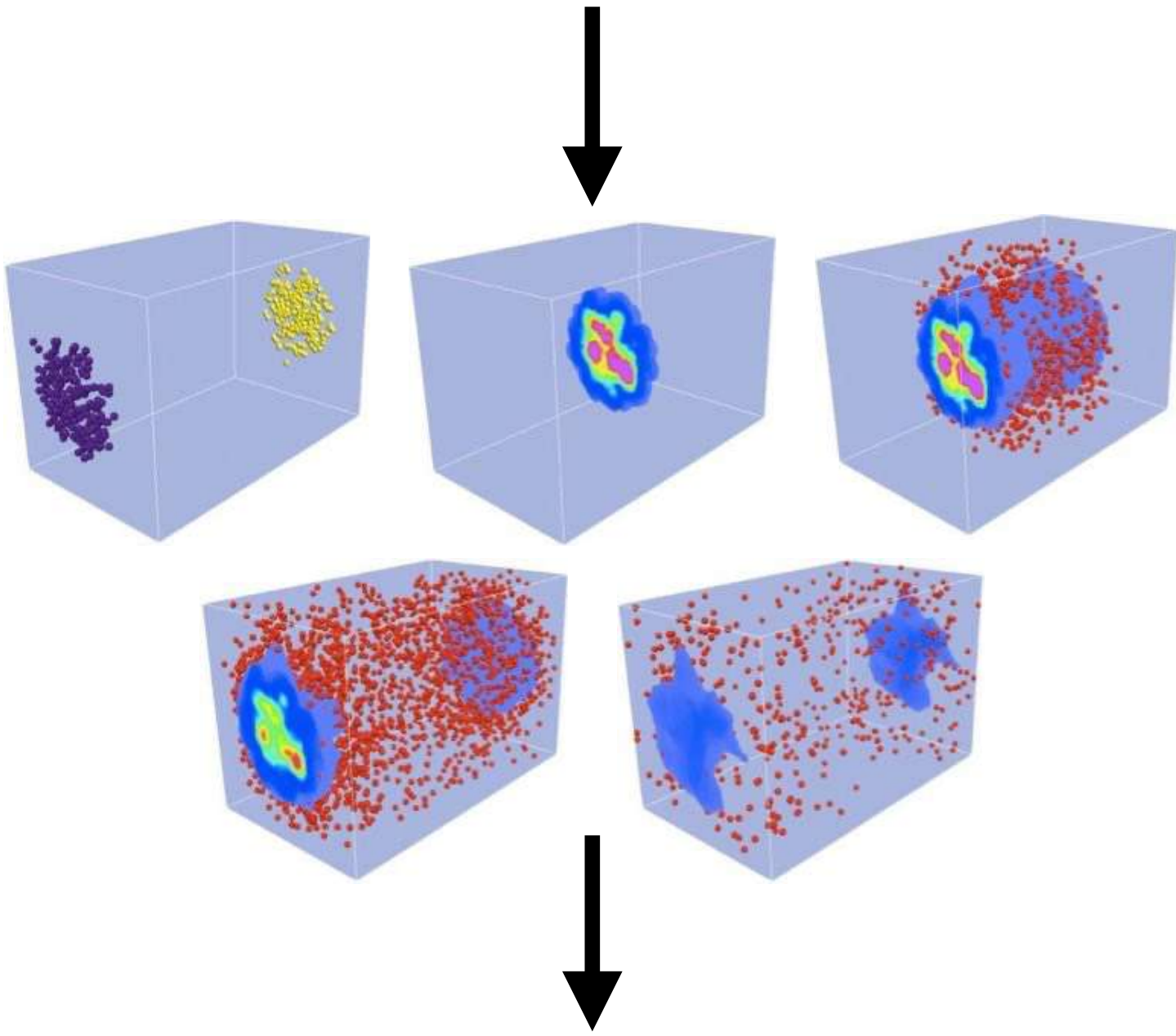
Probing QCD in Heavy-Ion Collisions

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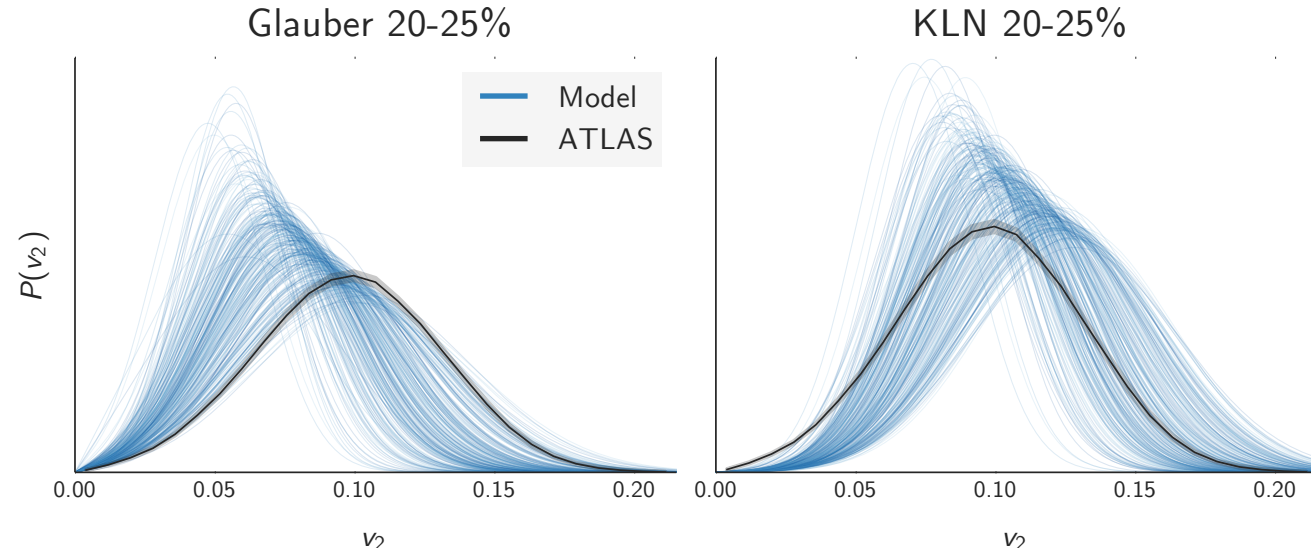


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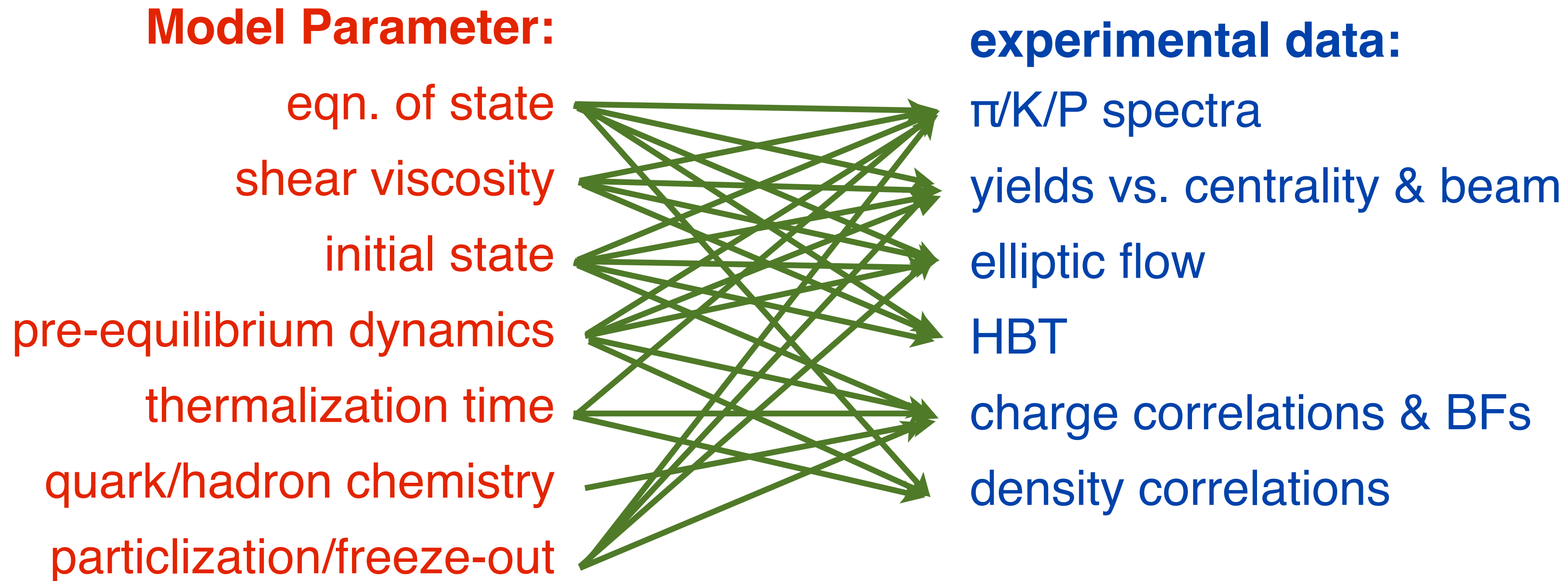
initial conditions, τ_0 , η/s , ζ/s , ...



←→
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extracted QGP properties: η/s , ...



Determining the QGP Properties via a Model to Data Comparison



- large number of interconnected parameters w/ non-factorizable data dependencies
 - data have correlated uncertainties
 - develop novel optimization techniques: Bayesian Statistics and MCMC methods
 - transport models require too much CPU: need new techniques based on emulators
 - general problem, not restricted to RHIC Physics
- **collaboration with Statistical Sciences**

Bayesian Analysis

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Model Parameters - System Properties

- initial state
- temperature-dependent viscosities
- hydro to micro switching temperature

Physics Model:

- Trento
- iEbE-VISHNU

Experimental Data

- ALICE flow & spectra

estimate or calculate parameters

calculate observables & compare to data

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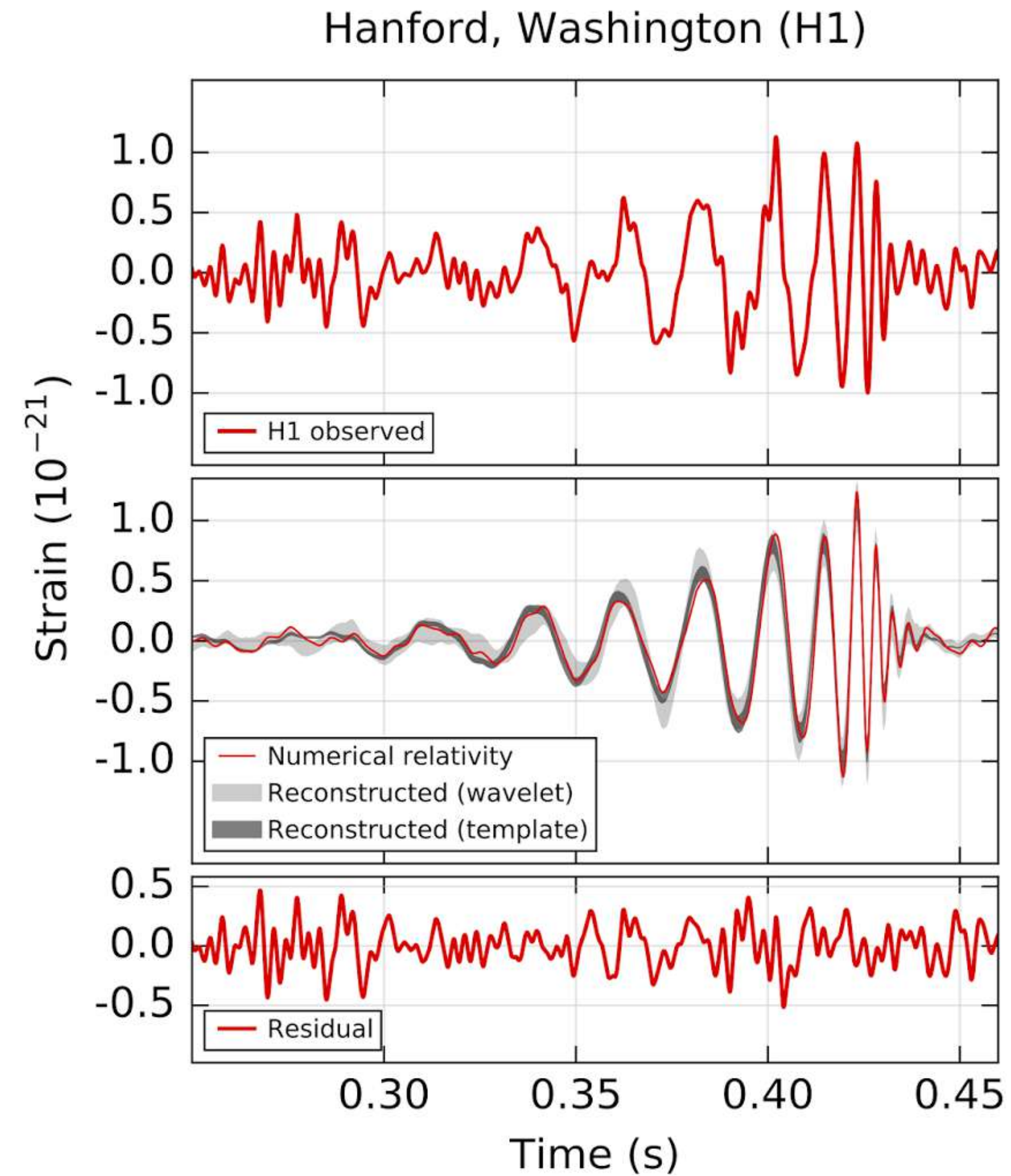
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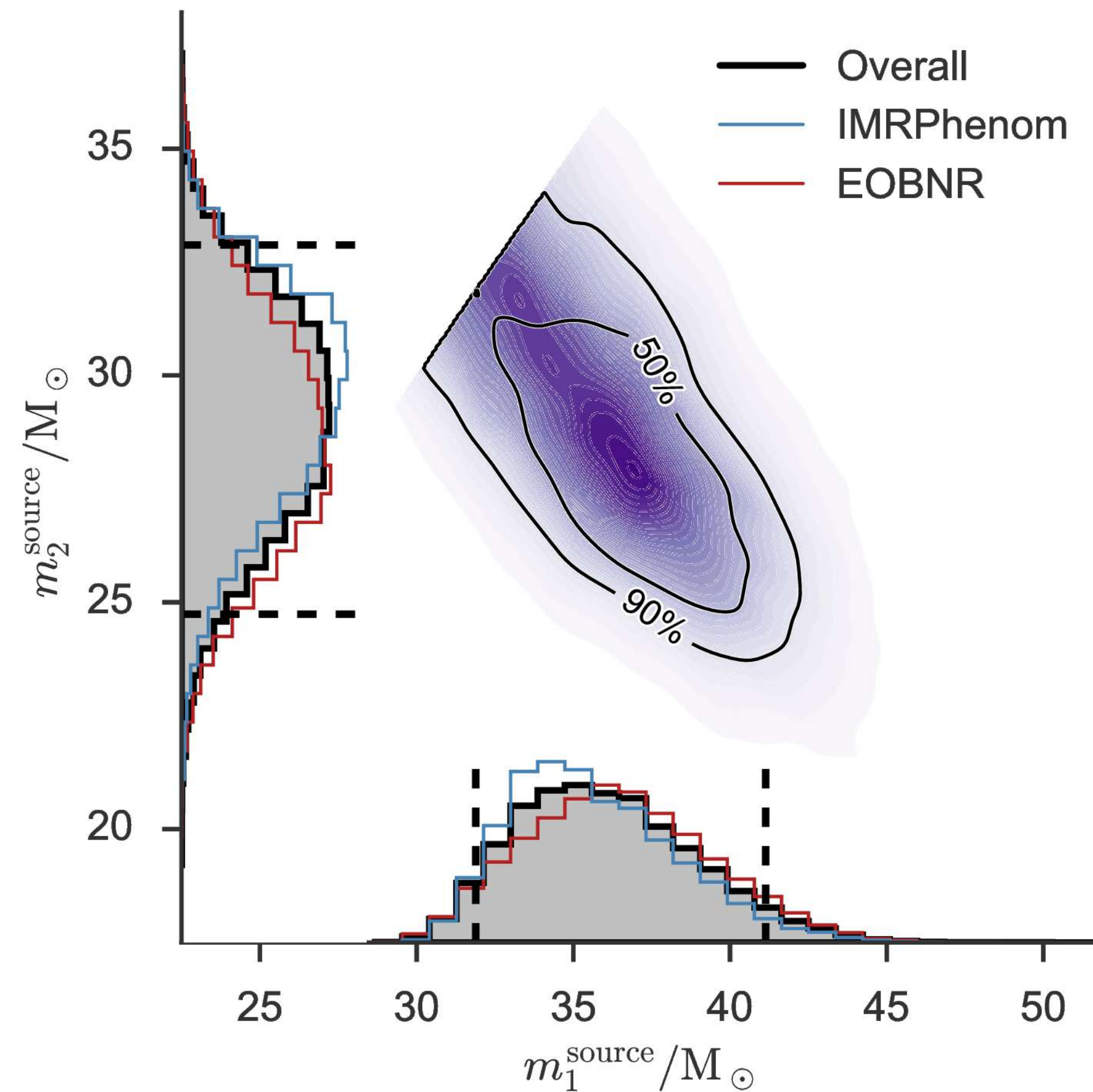
- Bayesian analysis allows us to simultaneously calibrate all model parameters via a model-to-data comparison
- determine parameter values such that the model best describes experimental observables
- extract the probability distributions of all parameters

Example: Gravitational Waves

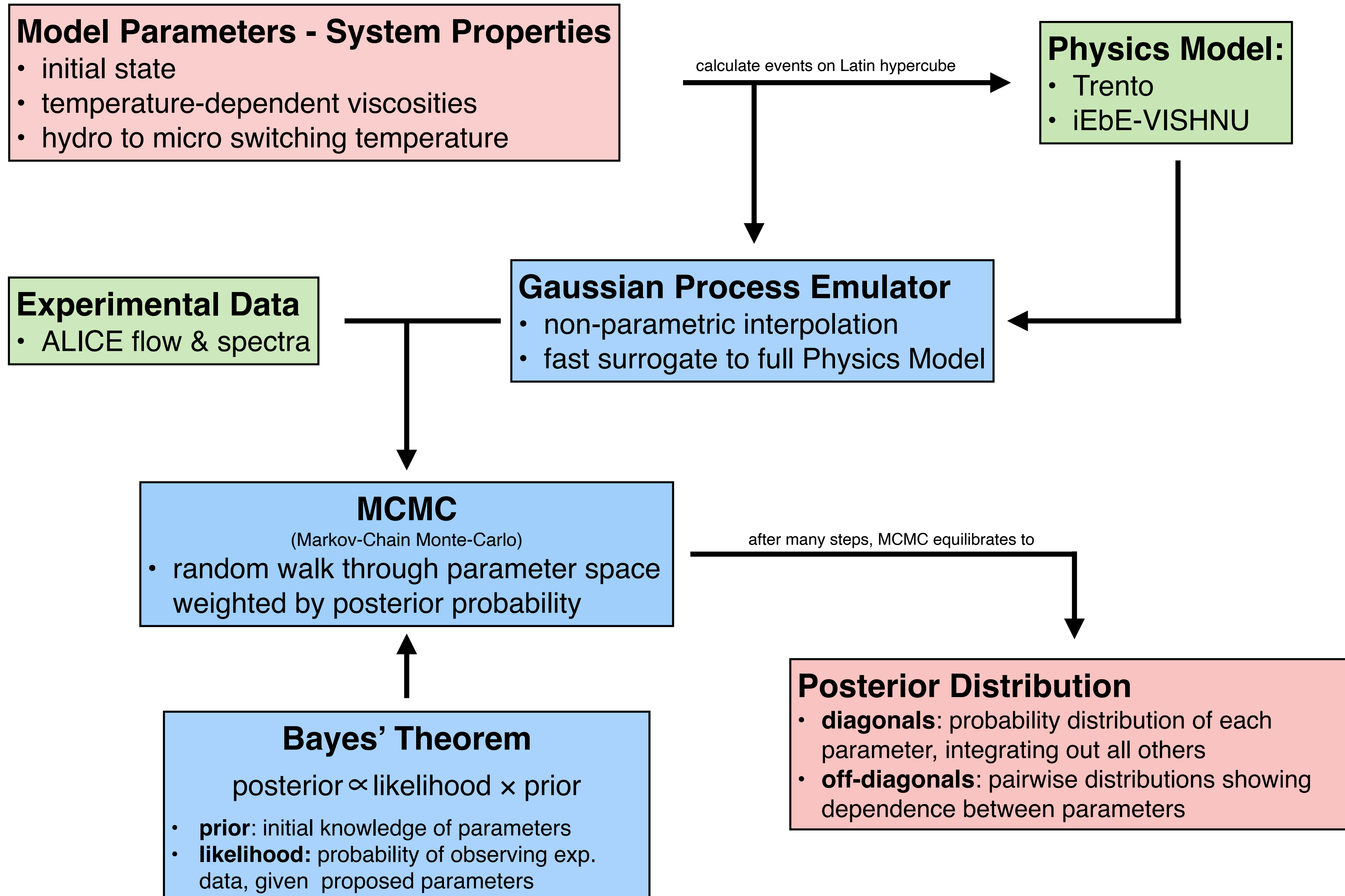
LIGO gravitational wave signal:



Bayesian analysis of GR model of merging black holes of masses m_1 and m_2 that is capable of reproducing LIGO data:

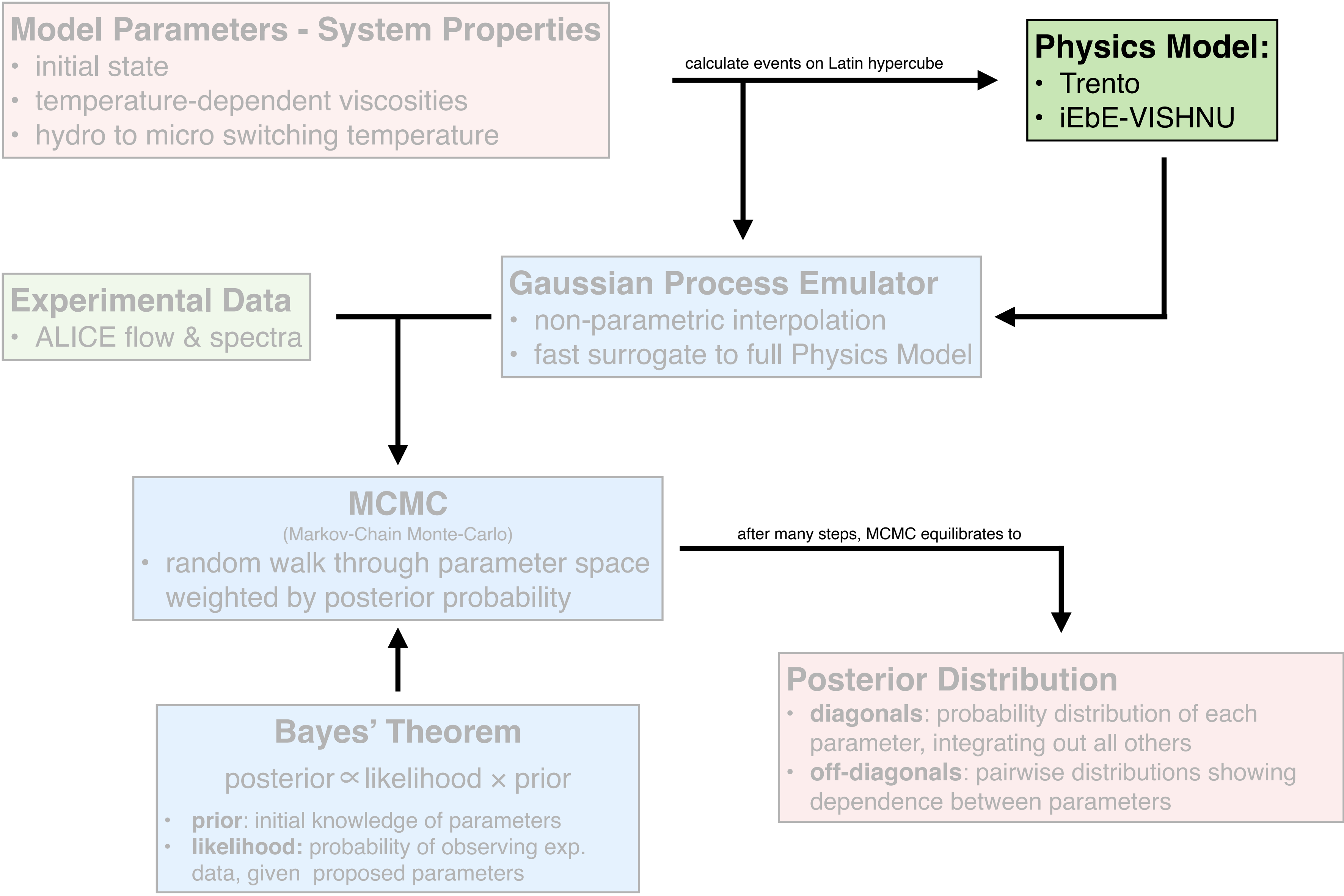


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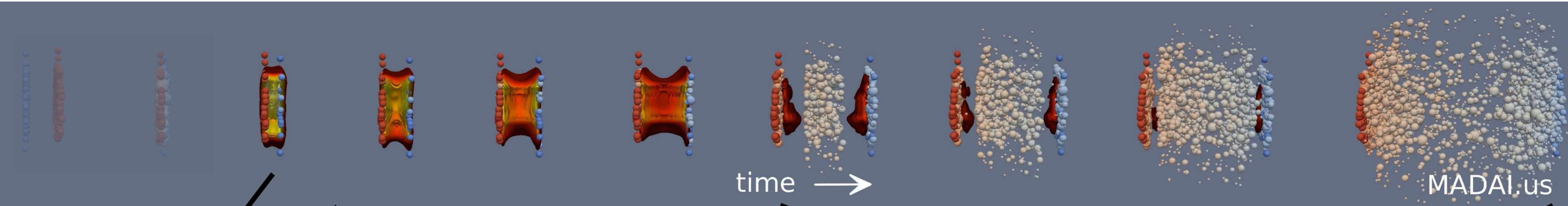


Components of the Bayesian Analysis

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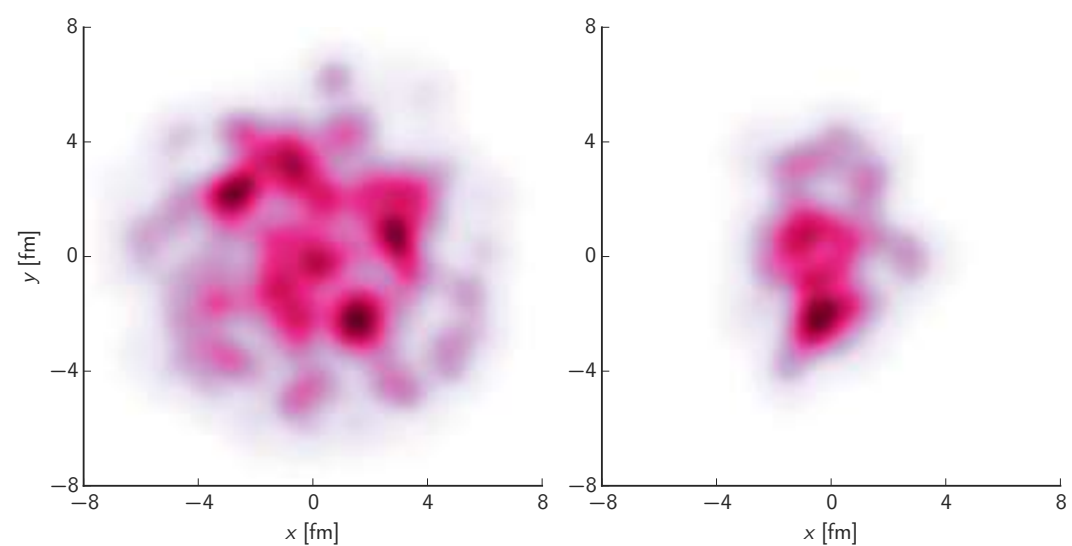


Physics Model: Trento + iEbE-VISHNU



Trento:

- parameterized initial condition model based on phenomenological concepts for entropy deposition to a QGP



iEbE-VISHNU:

- EbE 2+1D viscous RFD
- describes QGP dynamics & hadronization
- EoS from Lattice QCD
- temperature-dependent shear and bulk viscosity as input

UrQMD:

- Microscopic transport model based on Boltzmann Eqn.
- non-equilibrium evolution of an interacting hadron gas
- hadron gas shear & bulk viscosities are implicitly contained in calculation

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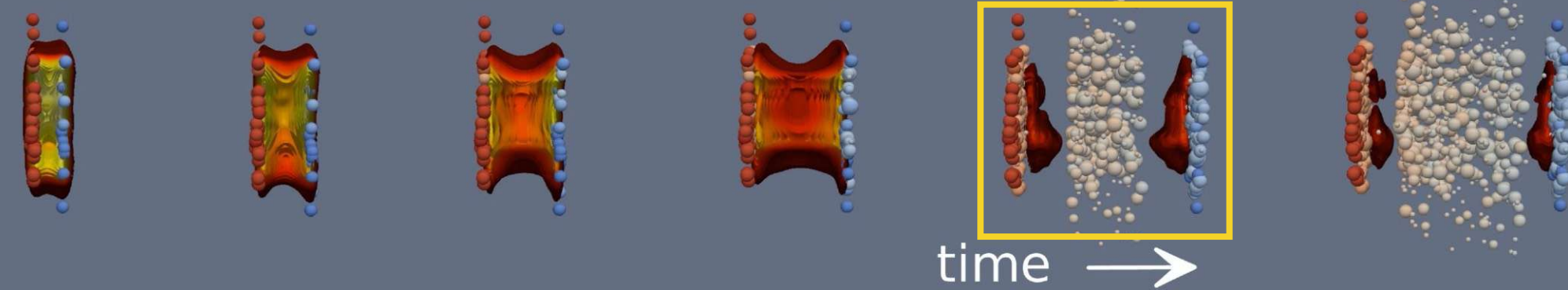
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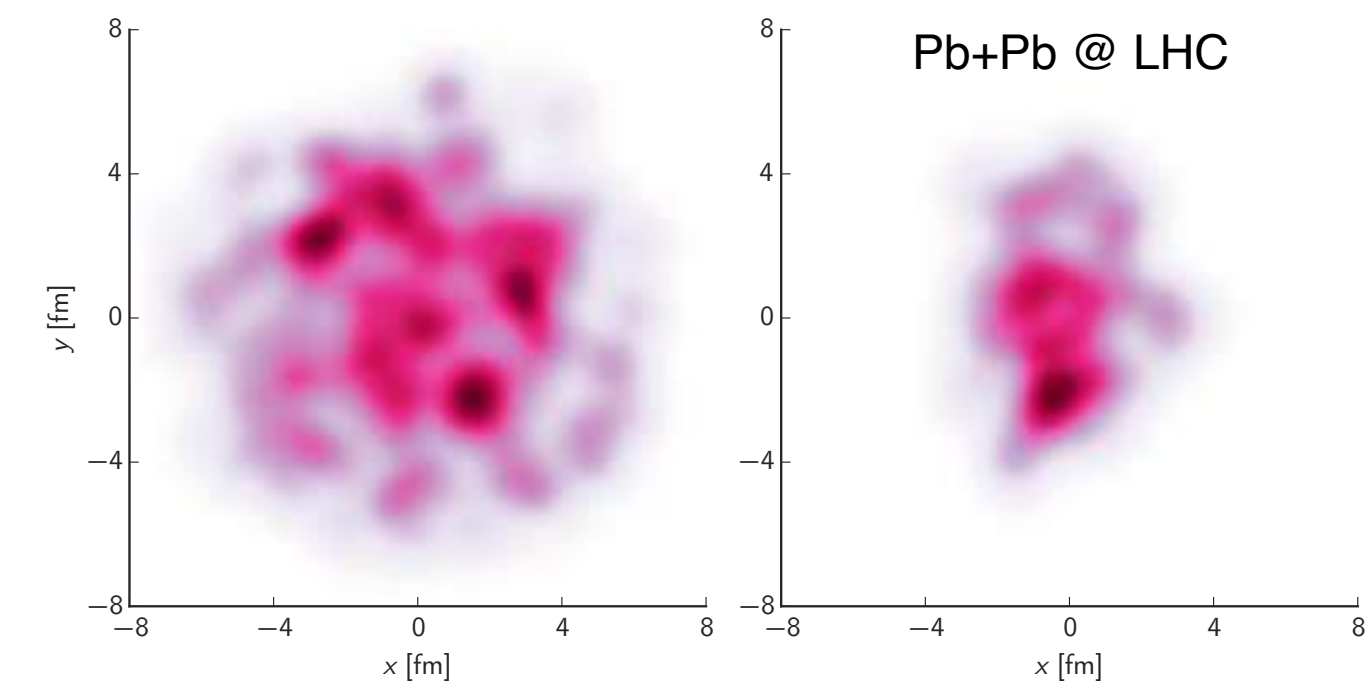
- the calibration parameters are the model parameters that codify the physical properties of the system that we wish to characterize with the analysis

- hydro to micro switching temperature T_{sw}



Trento initial condition:

- p : attenuation parameter - entropy deposition
- k : governs fluctuation in nuclear thickness
- w : Gaussian nucleon width

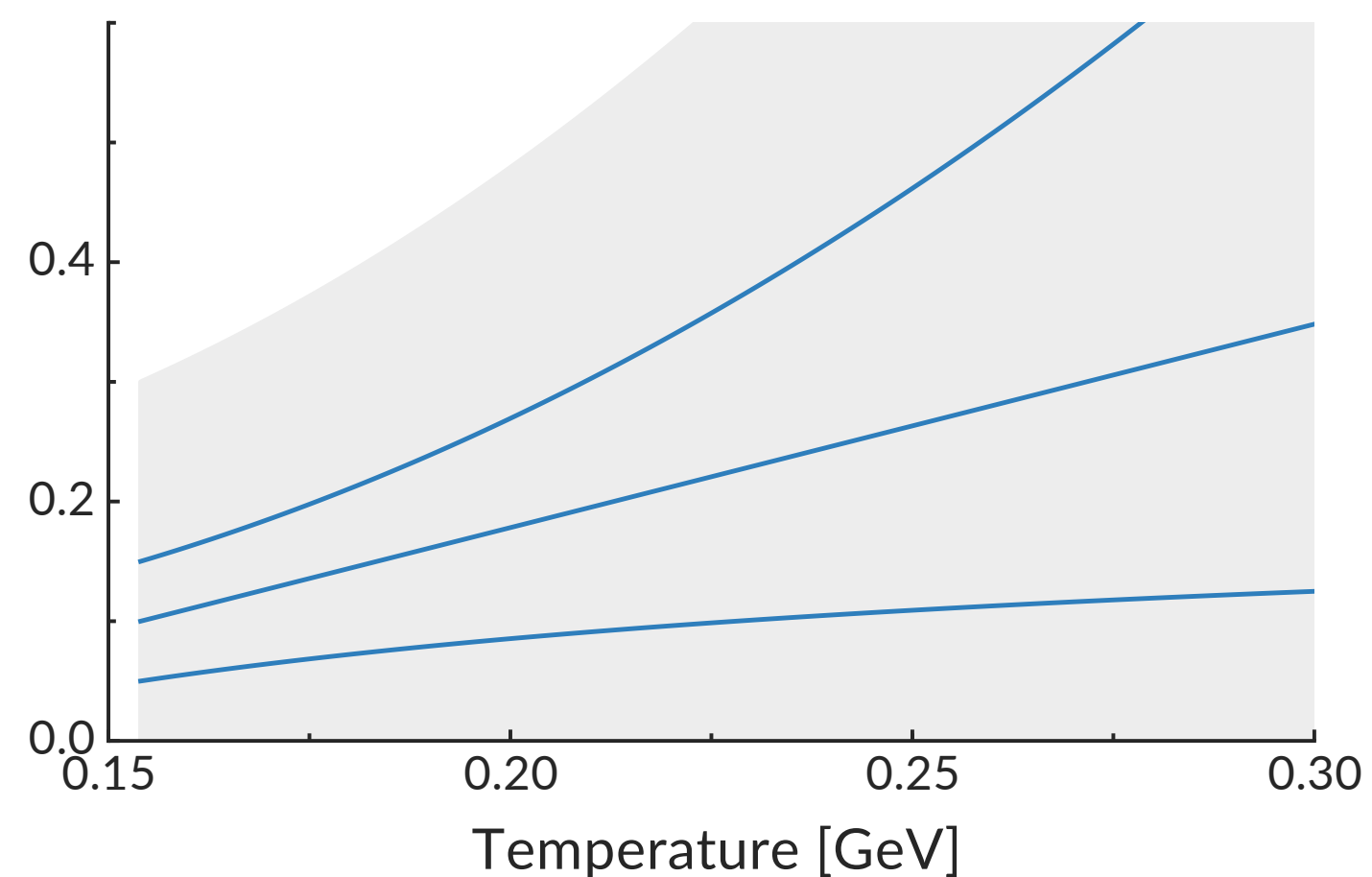


temperature dependent shear viscosity:

$$\eta/s(T) = (\eta/s)_{\min} + (\eta/s)_{\text{slope}} \times (T - T_C) \times (T/T_C)^\beta$$

parameters:

- intercept: $(\eta/s)_{\min}$ at T_C
- slope: $(\eta/s)_{\text{slope}}$
- curvature: β

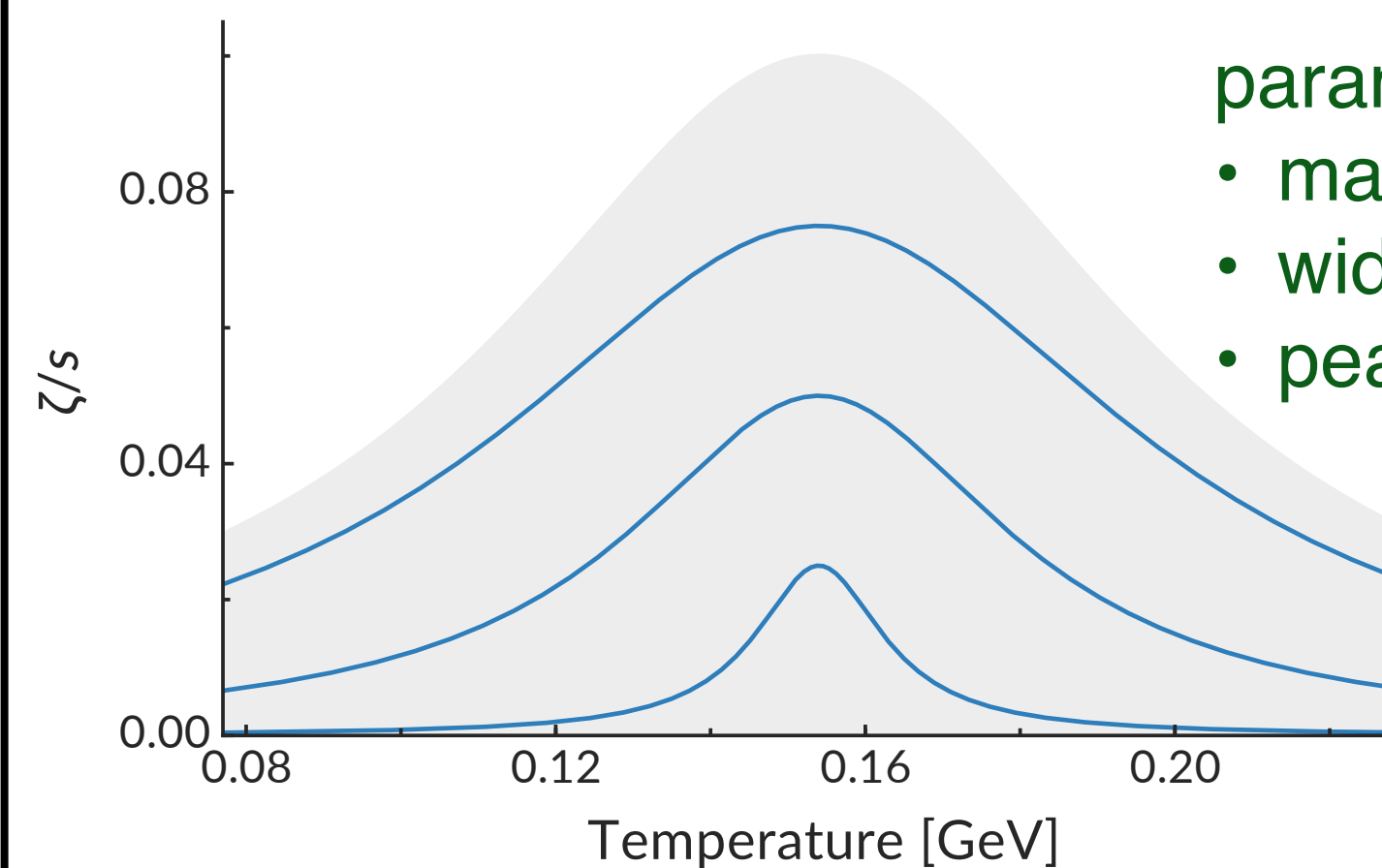


temperature dependent bulk viscosity:

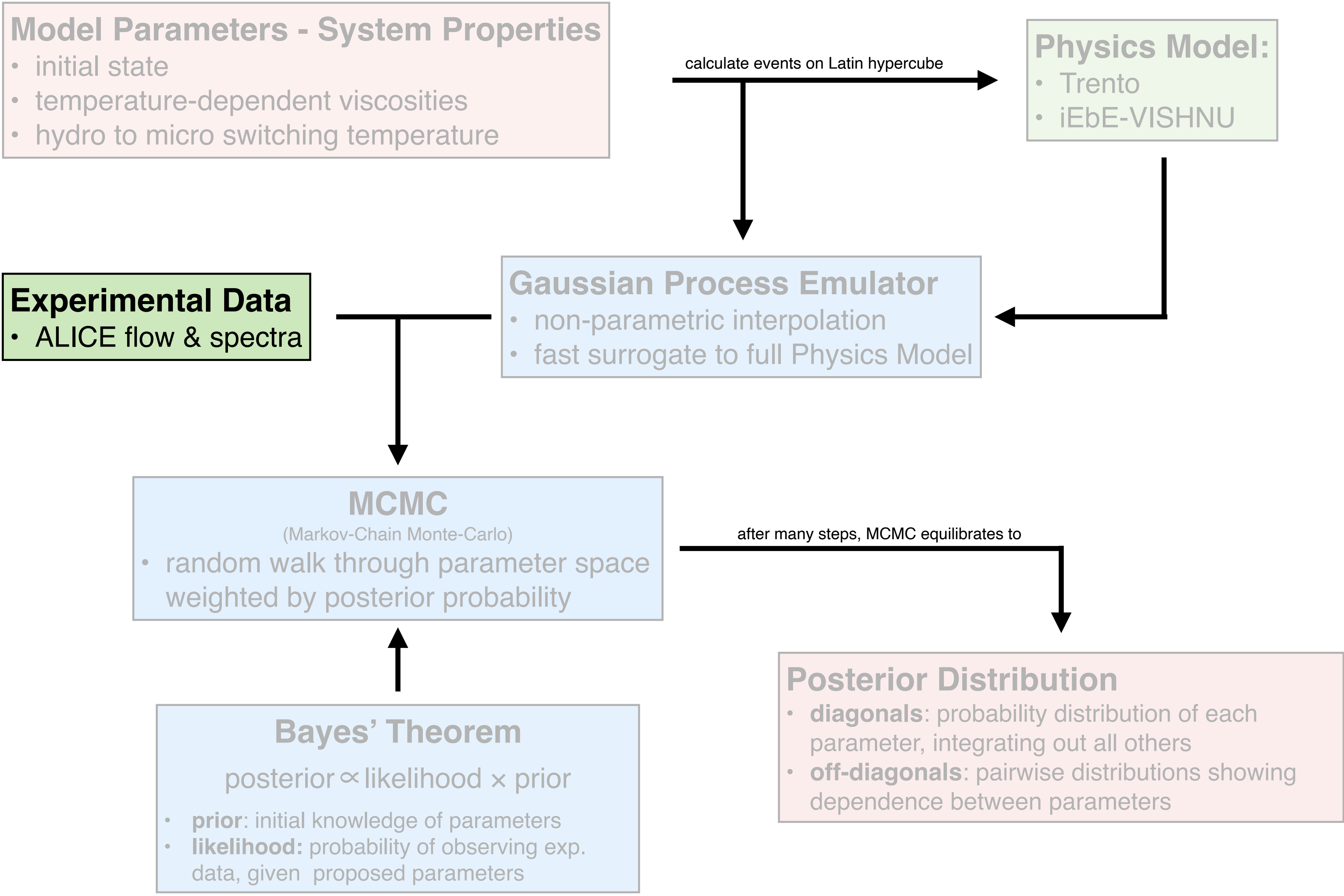
$$\zeta/s(T) = (\zeta/s)_{\max} / [1 + (T - (\zeta/s)_{\text{peak}})^2 / \Gamma^2]$$

parameters:

- magnitude $(\zeta/s)_{\max}$
- width: Γ
- peak position: $(\zeta/s)_{\text{peak}}$

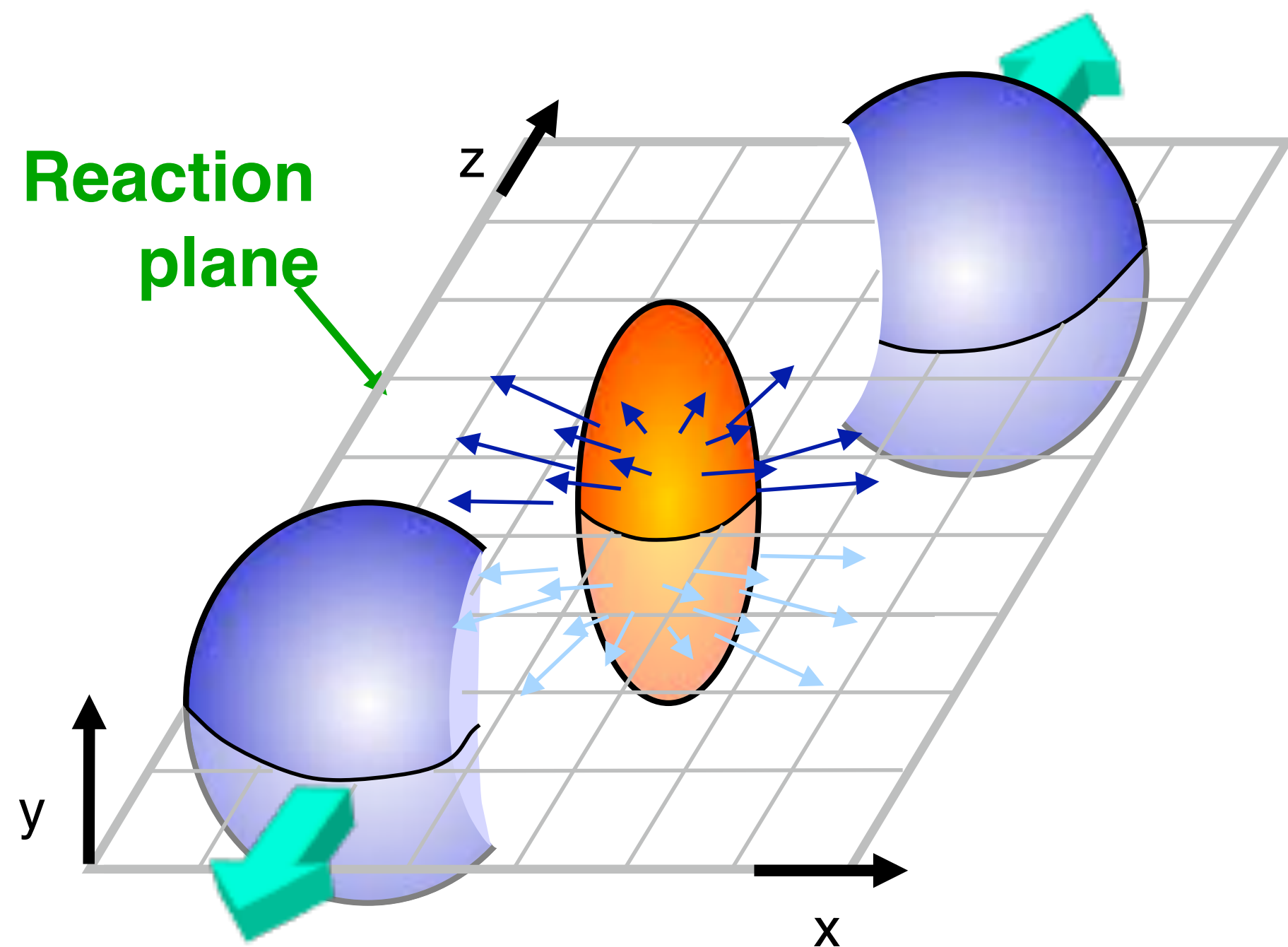


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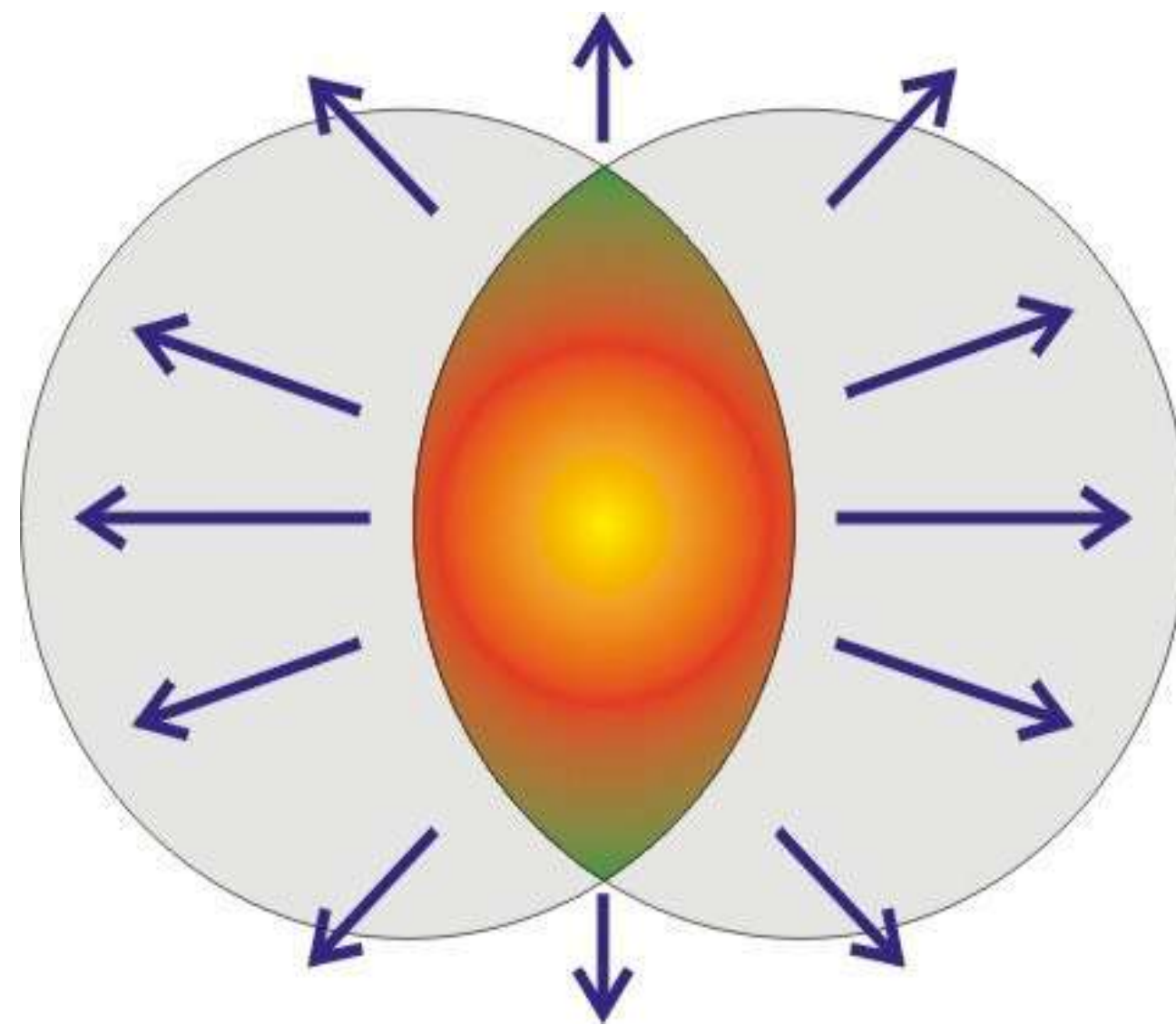


Picking the right Data: Elliptic Flow

- two nuclei collide rarely head-on, but mostly with an offset:

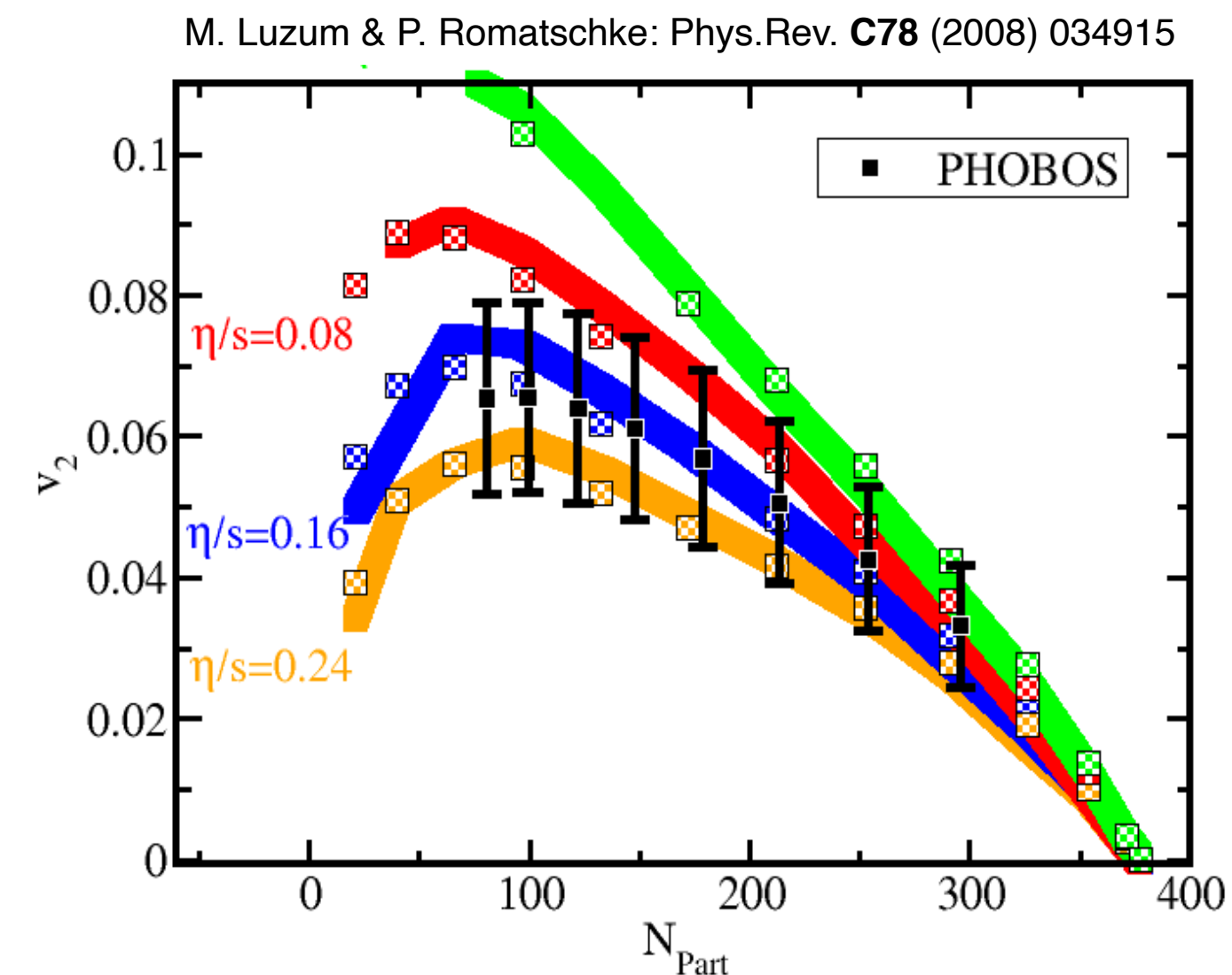


- only matter in the overlap area gets compressed and heated up



elliptic flow:

- gradients of almond-shape surface will lead to preferential emission in the reaction plane
- anisotropic (elliptic) flow of particles



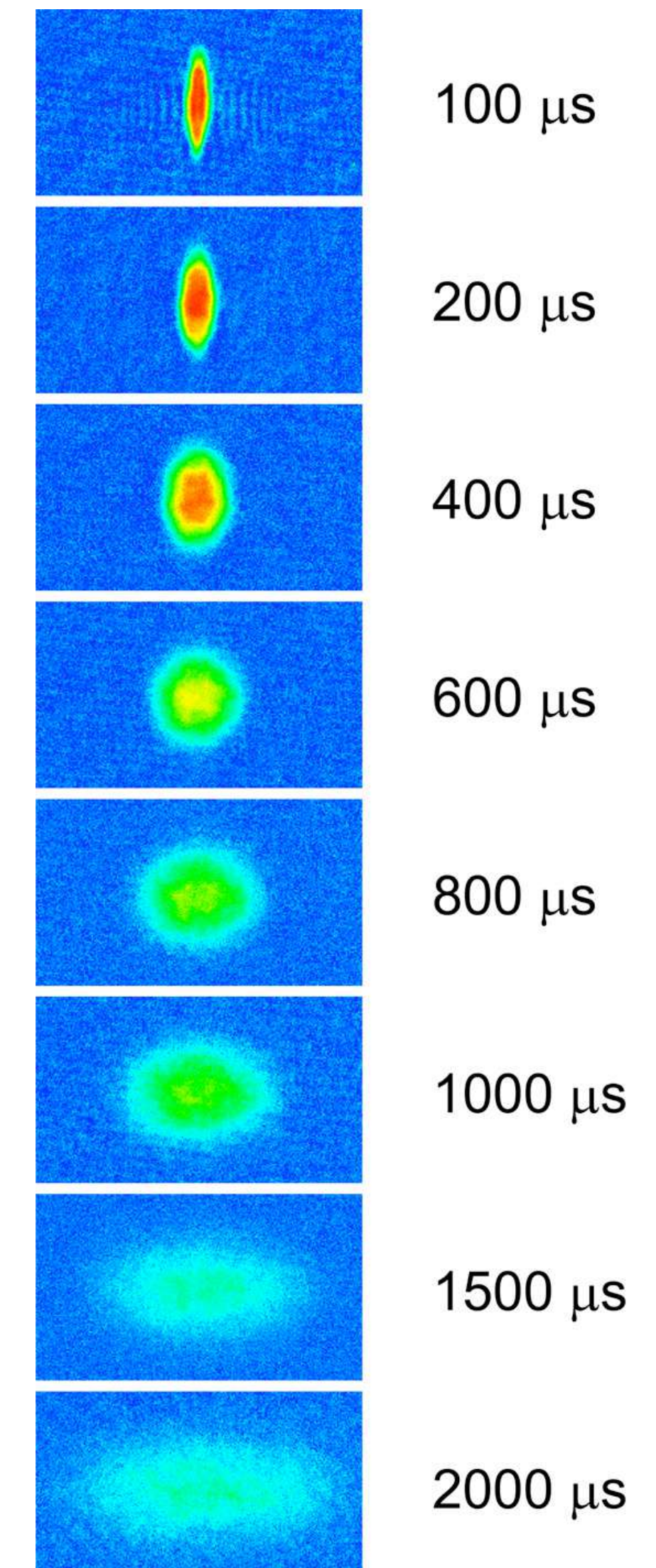
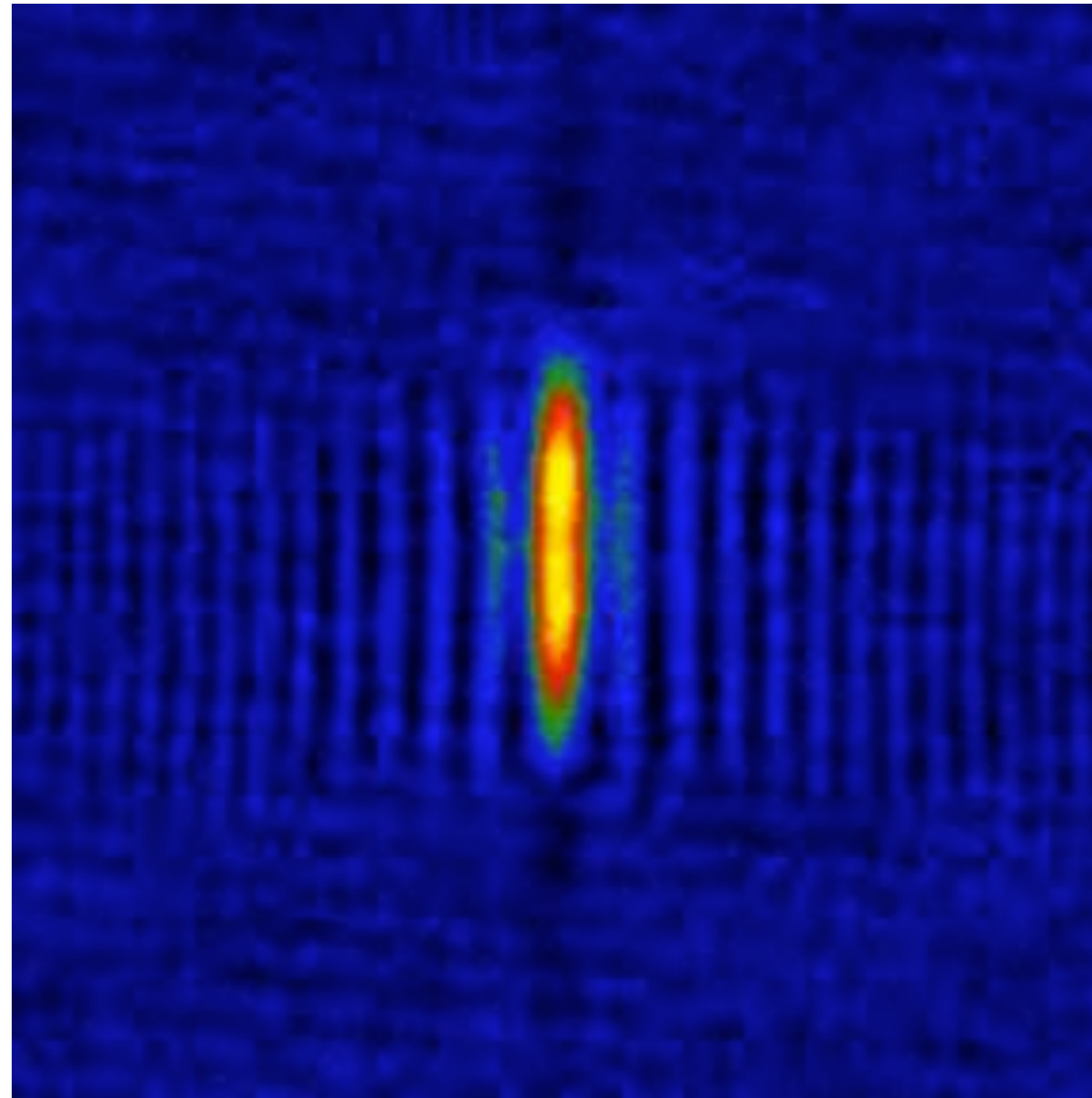
elliptic flow (v_2):

- asymmetry out- vs. in-plane emission is quantified by 2nd Fourier coefficient of angular distribution: v_2
- **vRFD: good agreement with data for very small η/s**

Elliptic flow: ultra-cold Fermi-Gas

Li atoms at release from an optical trap:

- initial almond shape, similar to interaction area in heavy-ion collision

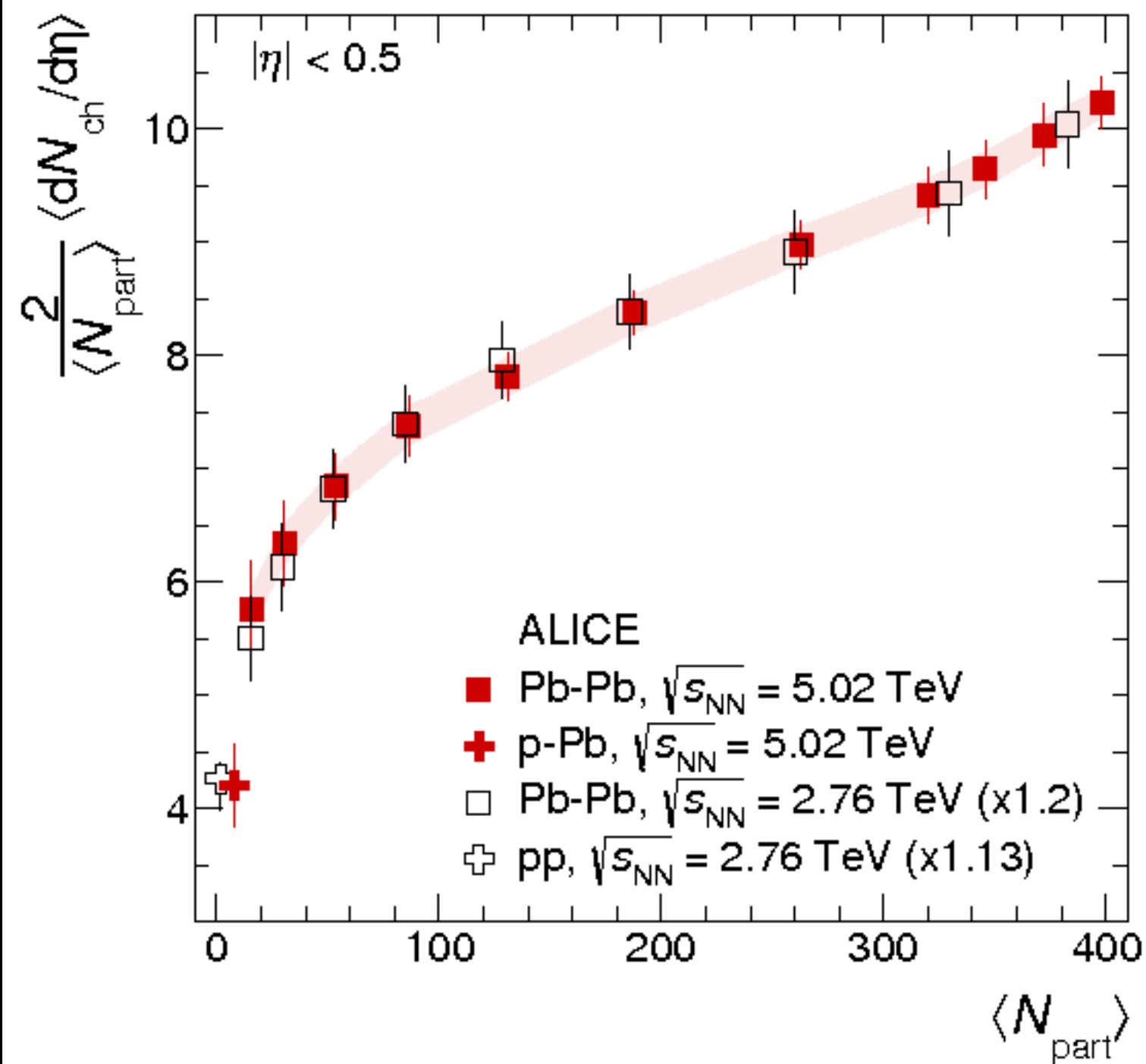


- Li-atoms released from an optical trap exhibit elliptic flow analogous to what is observed in ultra-relativistic heavy-ion collisions
- Elliptic flow is a general feature of strongly interacting systems!

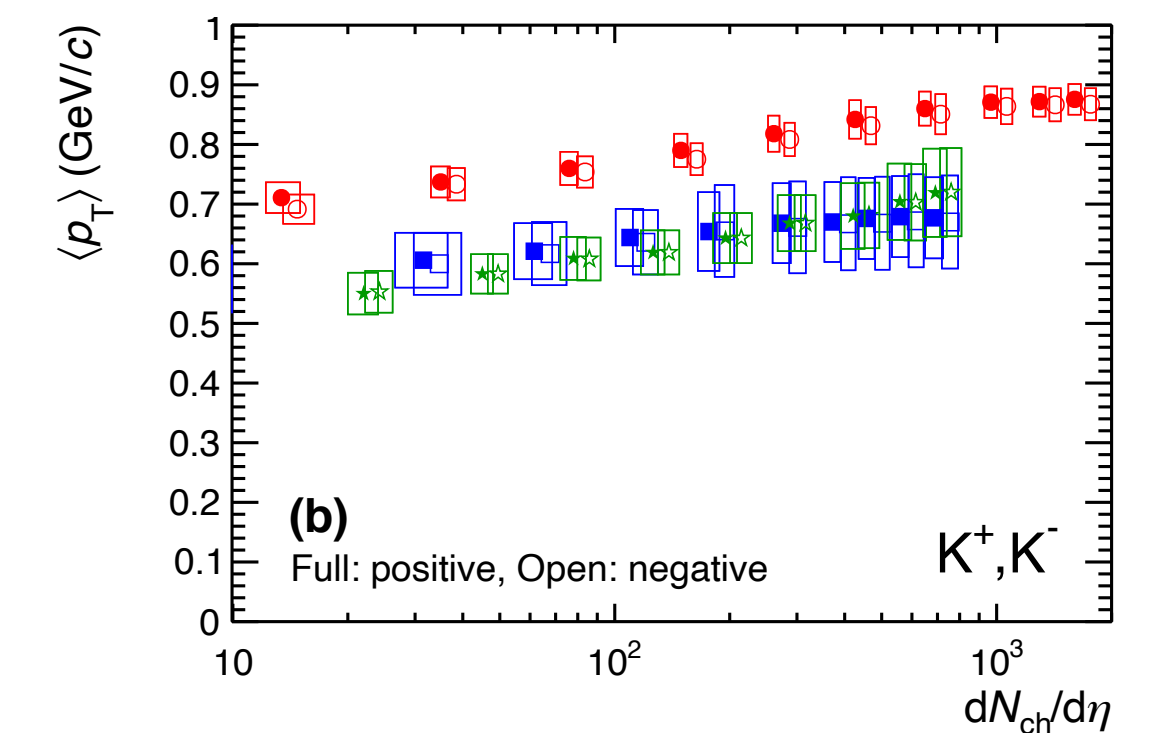
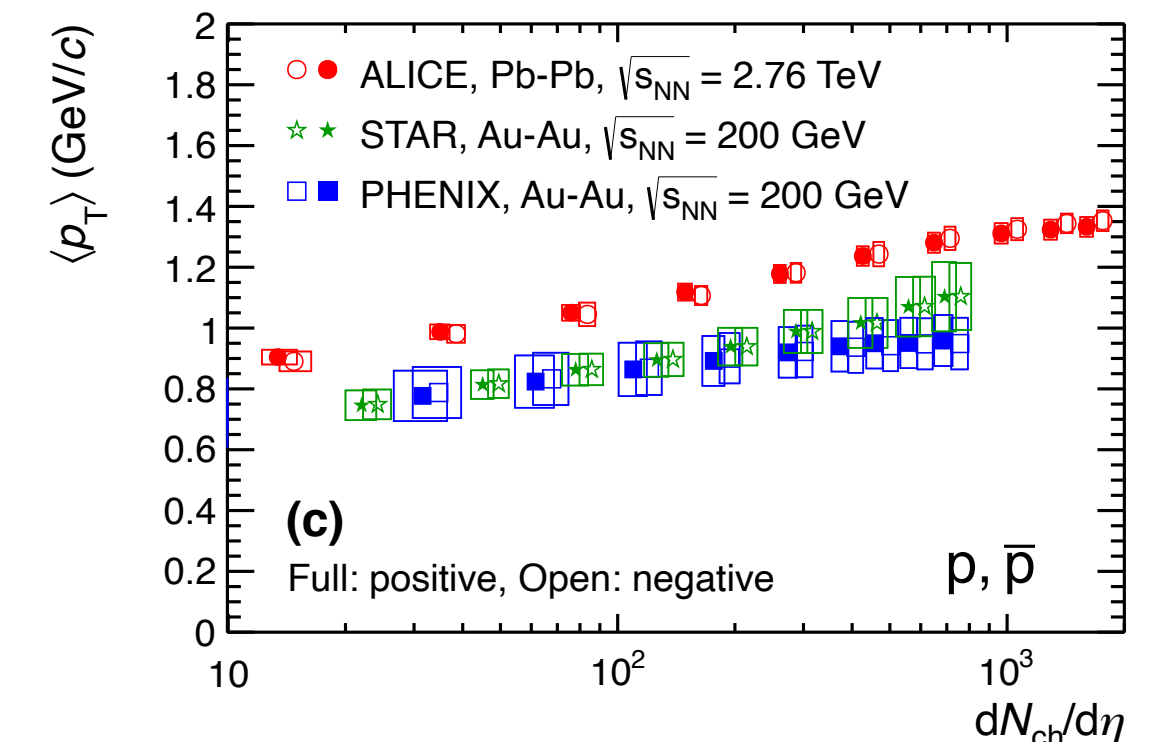
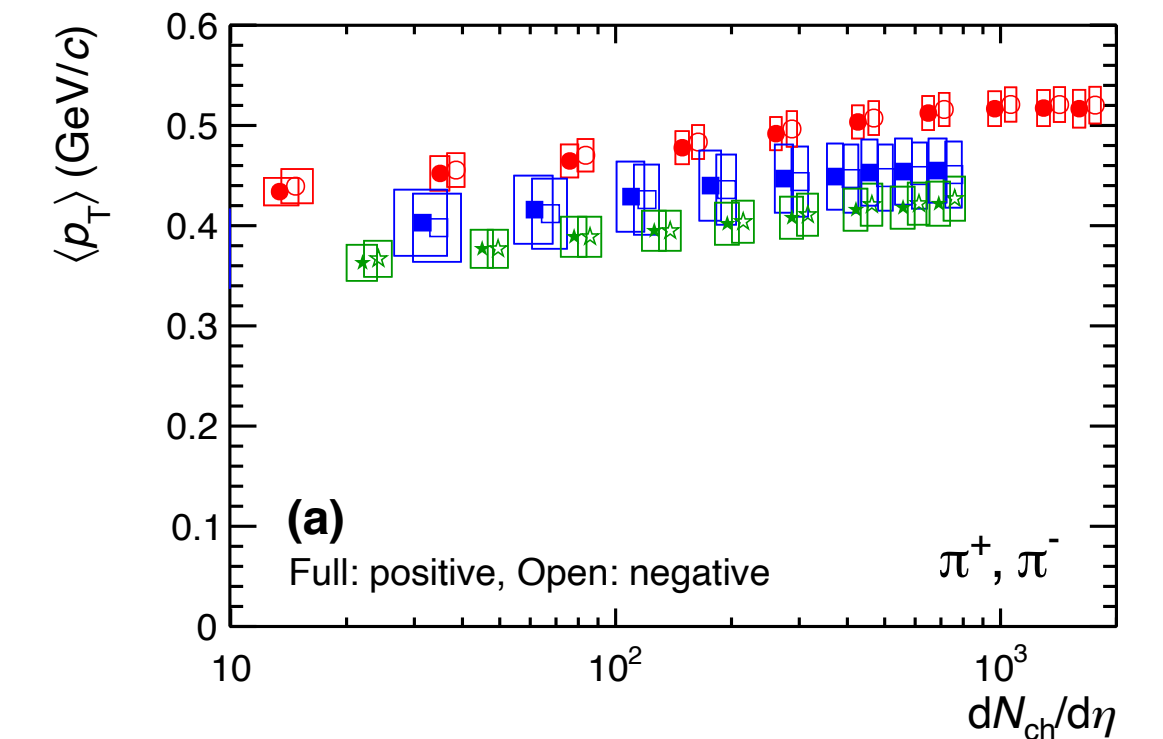
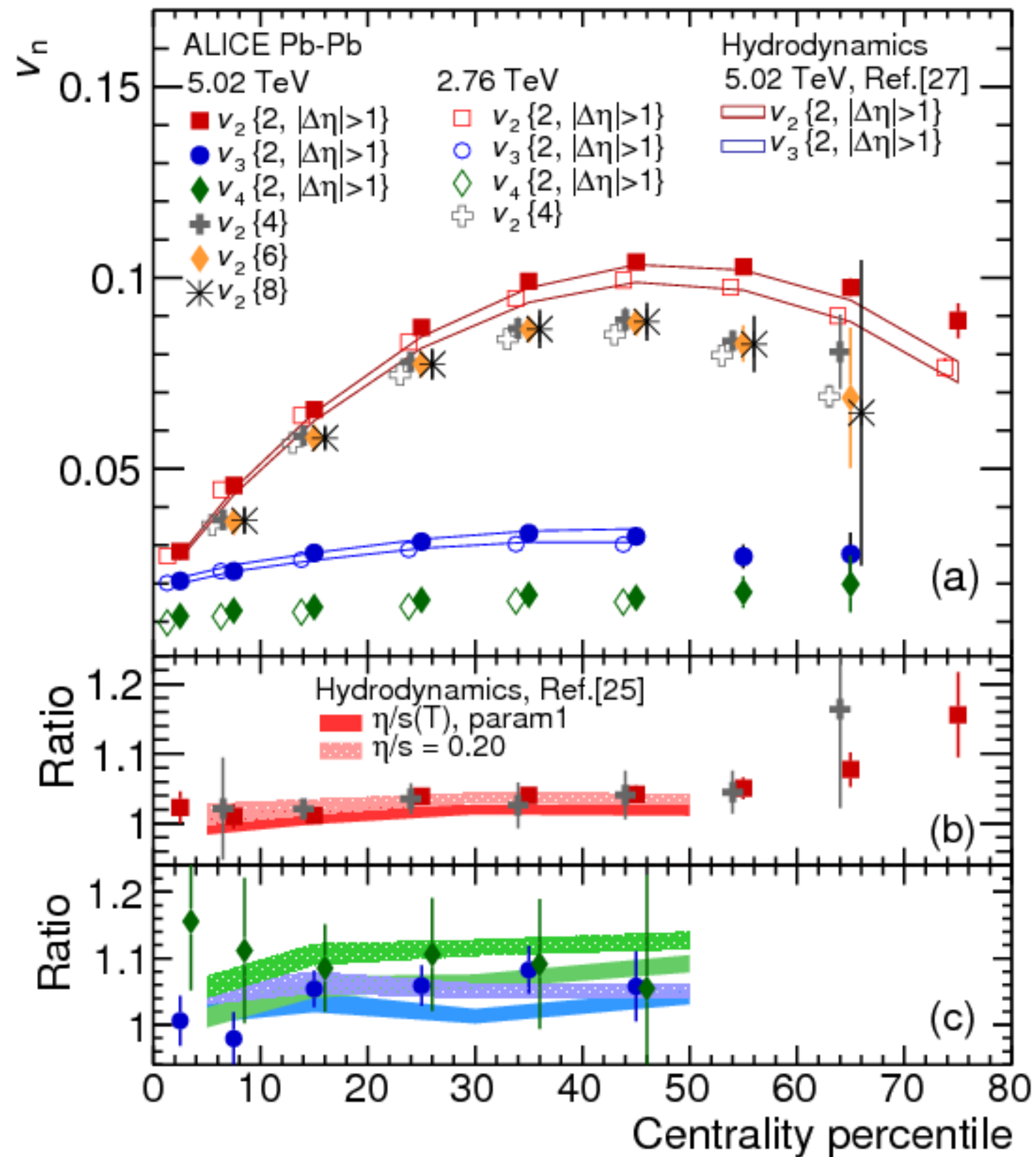
Training Data

Data:

- ALICE v_2, v_3 & v_4 flow cumulants
- identified & charged particle yields
- identified particle mean p_T
- 2 beam energies: 2.76 & 5.02 TeV



the entire success of the analysis depends on the quality of the exp. data!



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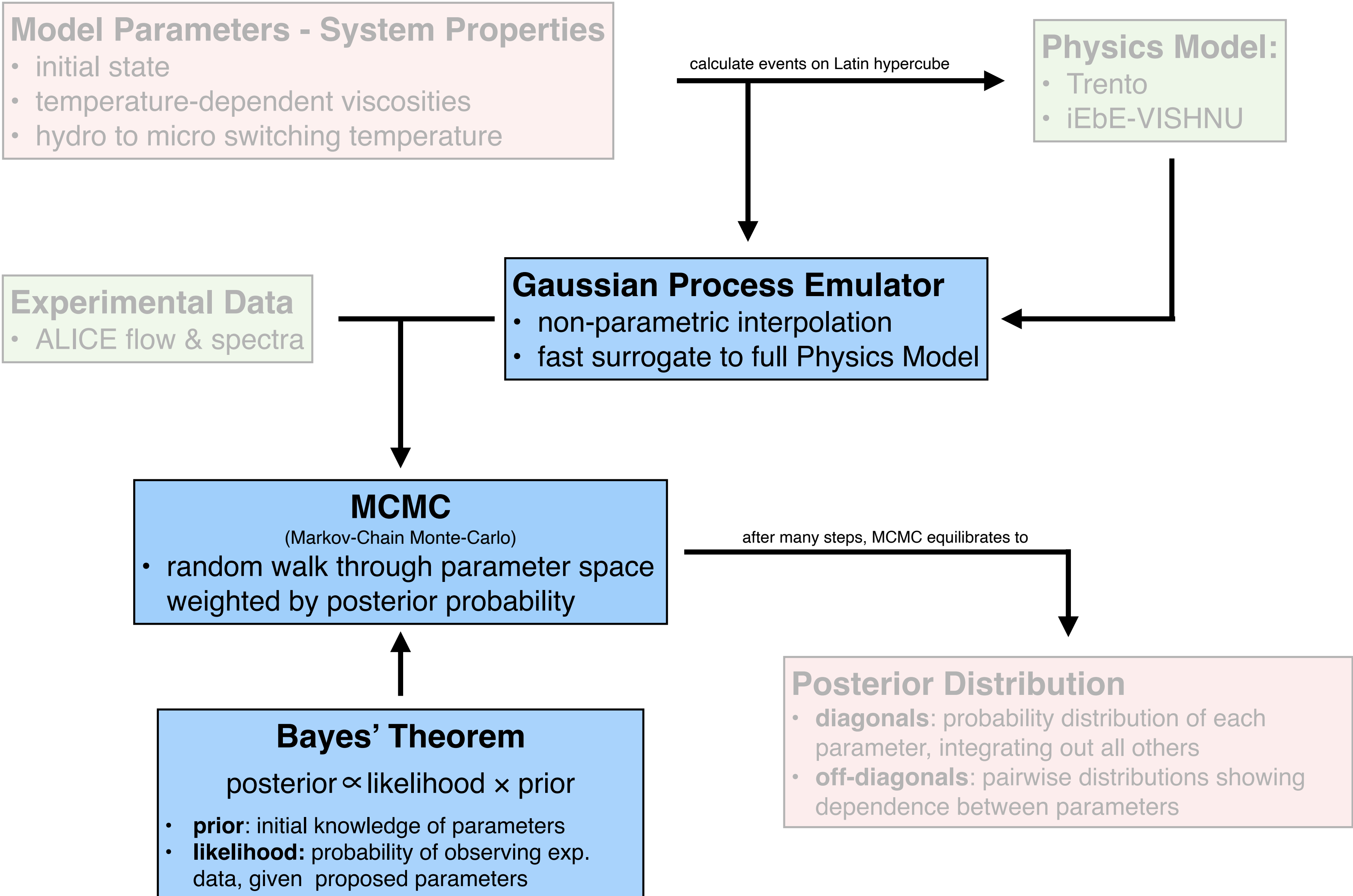
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Exploring the Model Parameter-Space

brute force analysis:

- 14 model parameters
- 9 centrality bins
- 20 bins per parameter
- need to evaluate model at 9×20^{14} points
- fluctuating initial conditions: $\mathcal{O}(10^4)$ events per point $\rightarrow 10^{18}$ events
- assume 1 cpu hour per event: 10^{18} cpu-hours!
- **2 billion years 100% use of TITAN @ ORNL (Cray XK7 w/ 560,640 cores)**
- then start MCMC to find point that optimally describes data...

Need to find techniques that cut down the cpu needed by at least a factor of 10^{10} : **Gaussian Process Emulators**

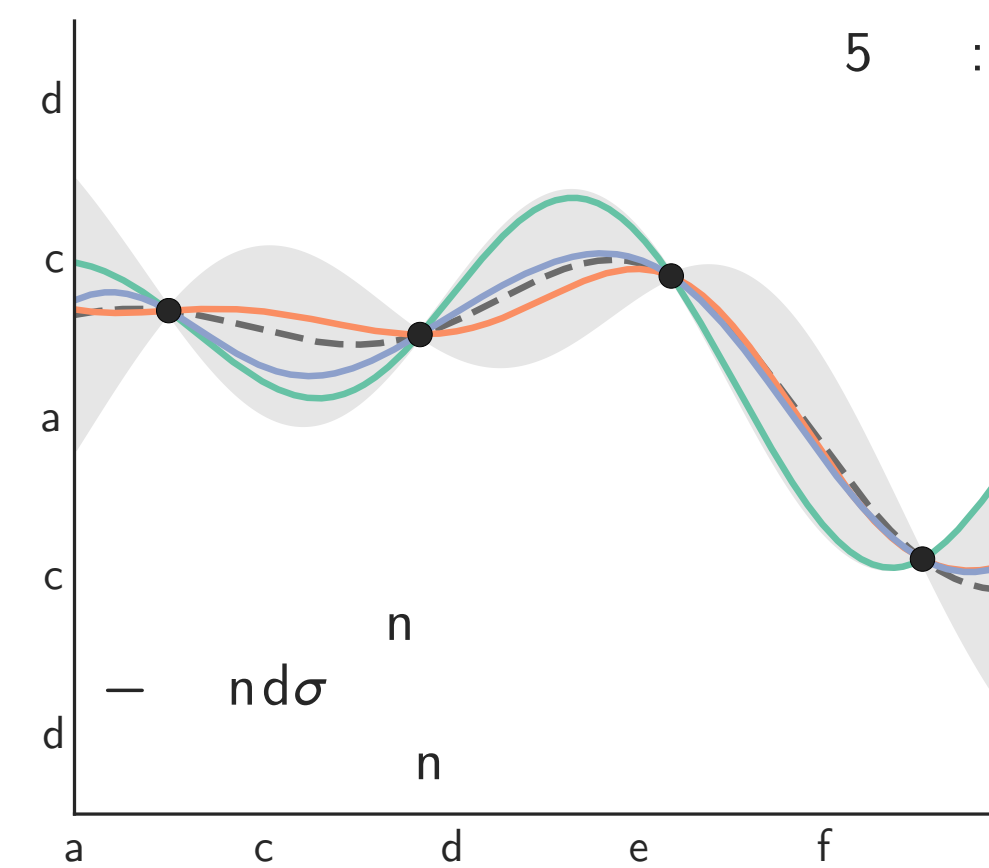
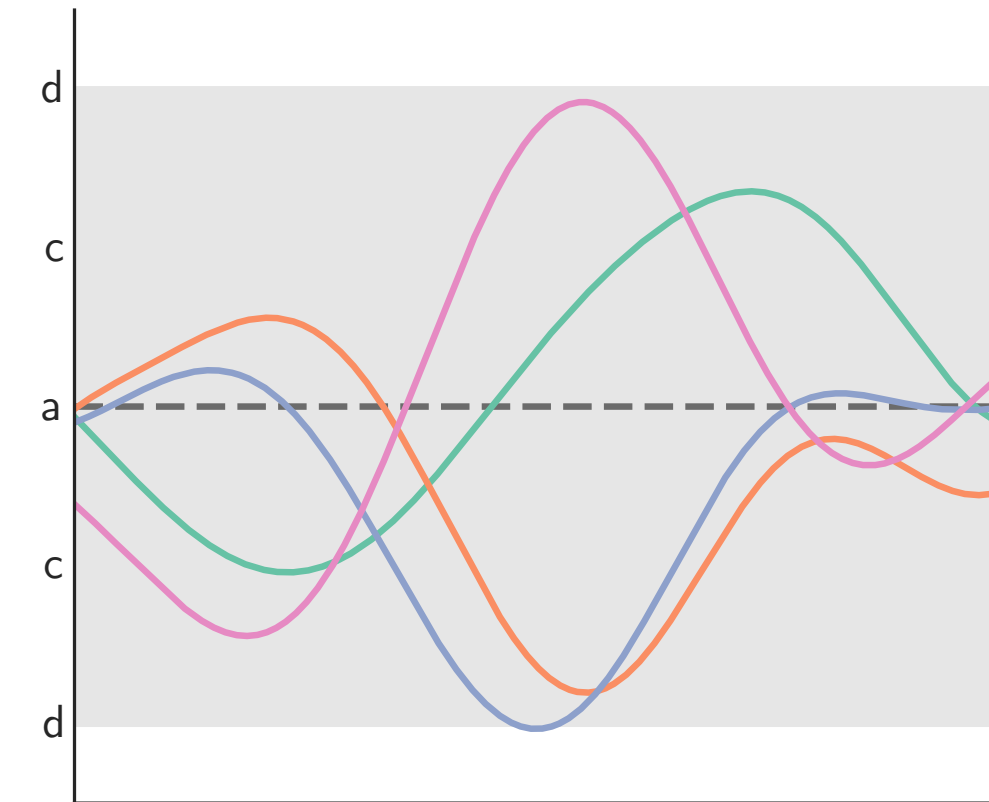
Exploring the Model Parameter-Space

Gaussian process:

- stochastic function:
maps inputs to normally distributed outputs
- specified by mean and covariance functions

GP as a model emulator:

- non-parametric interpolation of physics model
- predicts probability distributions for model output at any given input value
 - ▶ narrow near training points, wide in gaps
- needs to be conditioned on training data (Latin hypercube points)
- fast *surrogate* to actual model



Computer Experiment Design

Latin hypercube:

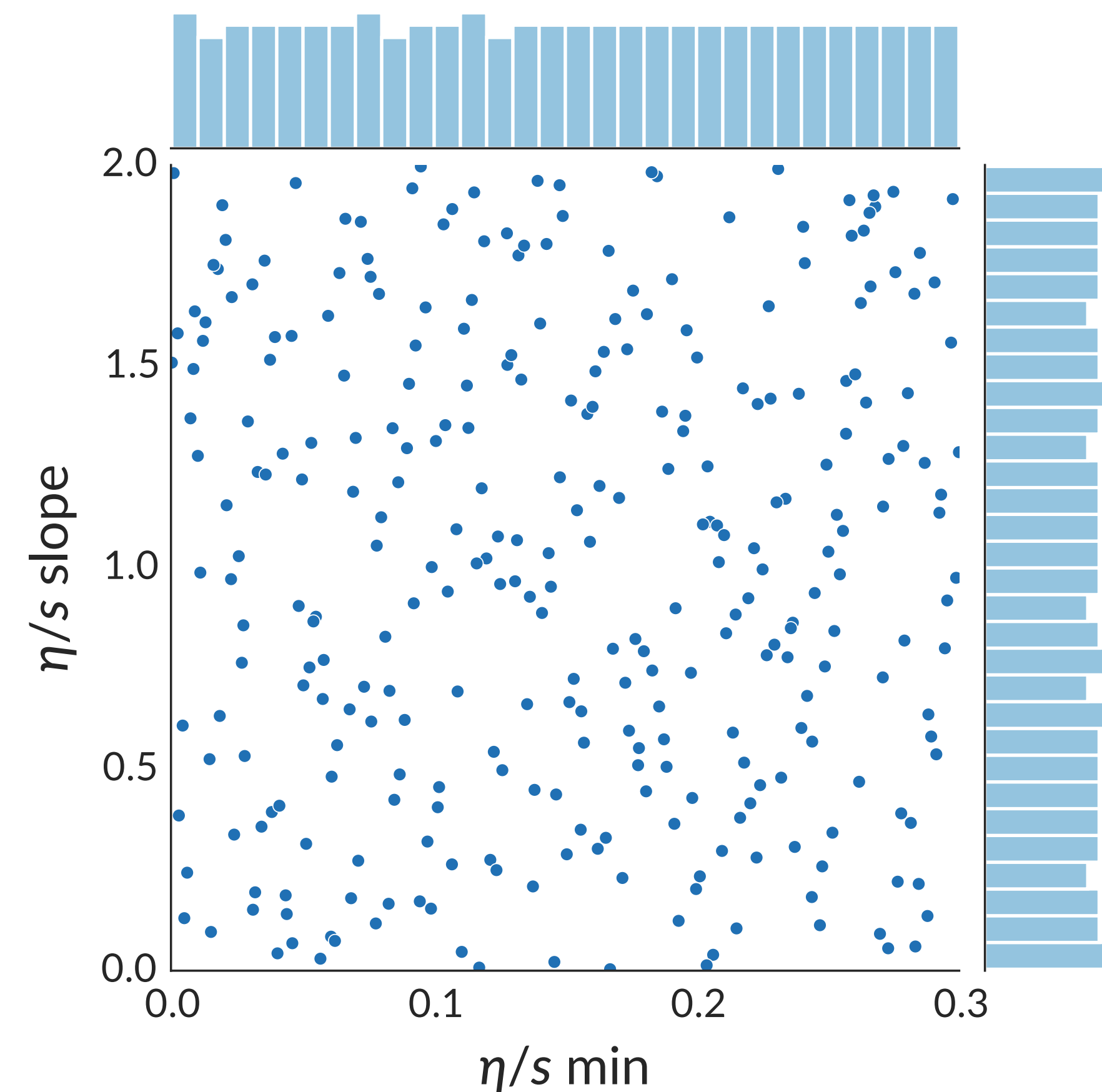
- algorithm for generating semi-randomized, space-filling points (here: maximin Latin hypercube)
- avoids large gaps and tight clusters
- all parameters varied simultaneously
- needs only $m \geq 10n$ points, with n : number of model parameters

this design:

- $n=15$ model parameters
- 9 centrality bins, 2 energies
- Latin hypercube with $m=500$ points
- $\mathcal{O}(10^4)$ events per point, for a total of approx. 35,000,000 events
- use Gaussian Process Emulators to interpolate between points

Example:

- Latin-hypercube projection for η/s parameters



Computer Experiment Execution

Edison @ NERSC:

- Cray XC30: 5586 nodes w/ 24 cores each
- 2 hyperthreads per core
- 2.57 Petaflops/s

Duke QCD workflow:

- 1000 nodes per job: running on 48K cores simultaneously
- entire model design with 30M events can be computed in 1 day

NOW COMPUTING

A small sample of massively parallel scientific computing jobs running right now at NERSC.

PROJECT	MACHINE	NODES	NERSC HOURS USED
NERSC Staff Accounts PI: Sudip S. Dosanjh, Lawrence Berkeley National Lab - NERSC	Cori KNL	1,008	115,874.8
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Extraction of QCD transport coefficients from ultra-relativistic heavy-ion collisions through a Bayesian model to data analysis PI: Steffen A. Bass, Duke University	Edison	1,000	443,890.9
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NERSC Staff Accounts PI: Sudip S. Dosanjh, Lawrence Berkeley National Lab - NERSC	Cori KNL	512	282,594.2

Calibration

Vector of input parameters: $\mathbf{x}=[p,k,w,(\eta/s)_{\min},(\eta/s)_{\text{slope}},(\zeta/s)_{\text{norm}},T_{\text{sw}},\dots]$

- assume true parameters \mathbf{x}_\star exist \Rightarrow find probability distribution for \mathbf{x}_\star

- X: training data design points
- Y: model output on X

$$\text{Bayes' Theorem: } P(\mathbf{x}_\star | X, Y, \mathbf{y}_{\text{exp}}) \propto P(X, Y, \mathbf{y}_{\text{exp}} | \mathbf{x}_\star) P(\mathbf{x}_\star)$$

- $P(\mathbf{x}_\star | X, Y, \mathbf{y}_{\text{exp}})$ = posterior
 \Rightarrow probability of \mathbf{x}_\star given observations $(X, Y, \mathbf{y}_{\text{exp}})$

- $P(X, Y, \mathbf{y}_{\text{exp}} | \mathbf{x}_\star)$ = likelihood
 \Rightarrow probability of observing $(X, Y, \mathbf{y}_{\text{exp}})$ given proposed \mathbf{x}_\star

- $P(\mathbf{x}_\star)$ = prior
 \Rightarrow initial knowledge of \mathbf{x}_\star

Markov-Chain Monte-Carlo:

- random walk through parameter space weighted by posterior
- large number of samples
 \Rightarrow chain equilibrates to posterior distribution
- flat prior within design range, zero outside
- posterior \sim likelihood within design range, zero outside

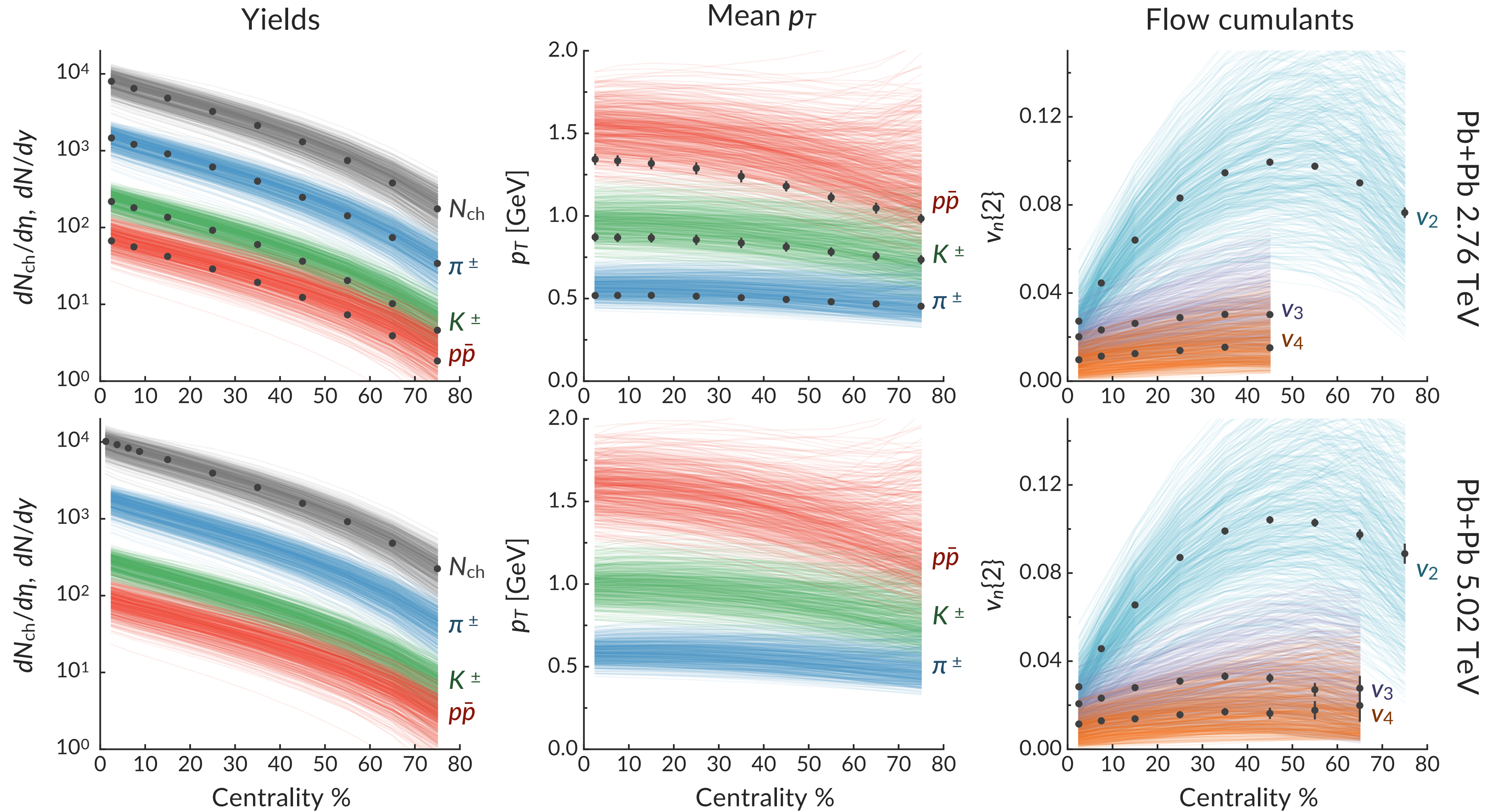
Likelihood and Uncertainty Quantification:

$$\text{Likelihood} \propto \exp[-1/2 (\mathbf{y}-\mathbf{y}_{\text{exp}})^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{y}-\mathbf{y}_{\text{exp}})]$$

- covariance matrix $\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\text{experiment}} + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\text{model}}$
- $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\text{experiment}} = \text{stat}(\text{diagonal}) + \text{sys}(\text{non-diagonal})$
- $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\text{model}}$ conservatively estimated as 5%

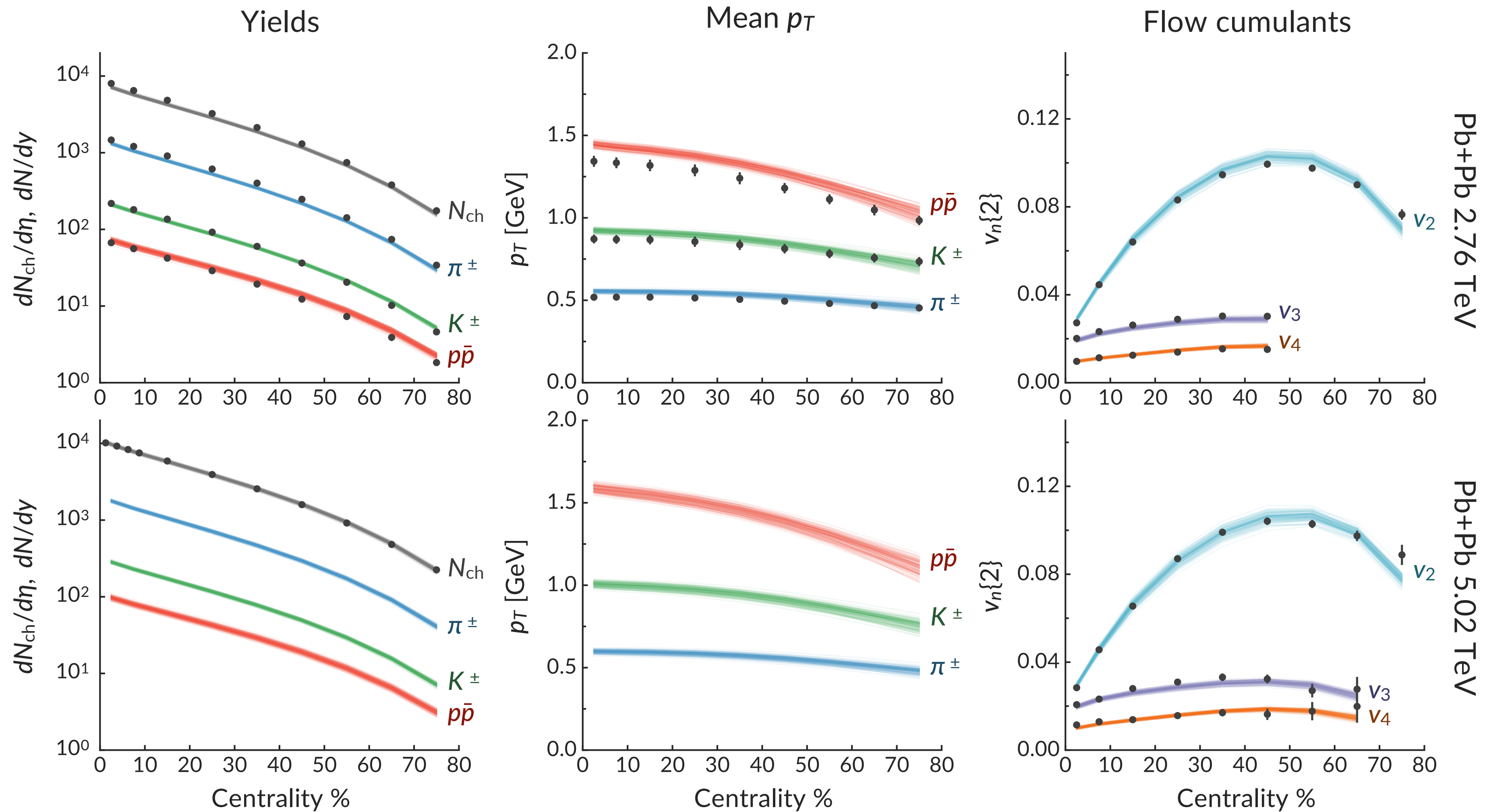
Prior vs. Posterior

Prior: model calculations evenly distributed over full design space



Prior vs. Posterior

Posterior: emulator predictions for highest likelihood parameter values



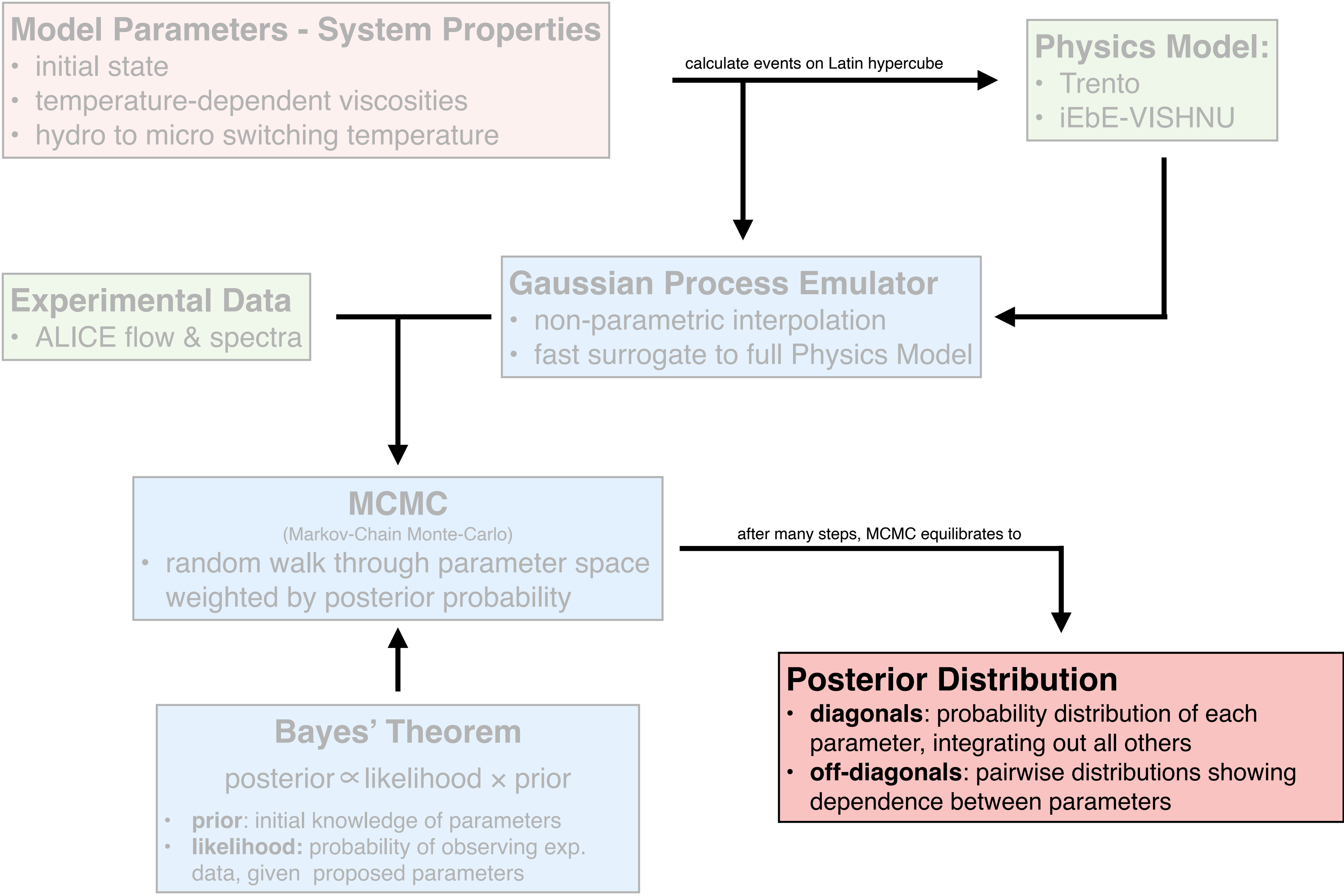
Analysis Results

Methodology: Jonah E. Bernhard, J. Scott Moreland, Steffen A. Bass, Jia Liu, Ulrich Heinz: Phys. Rev. **C94** (2016) 024907, arXiv:1605.03954

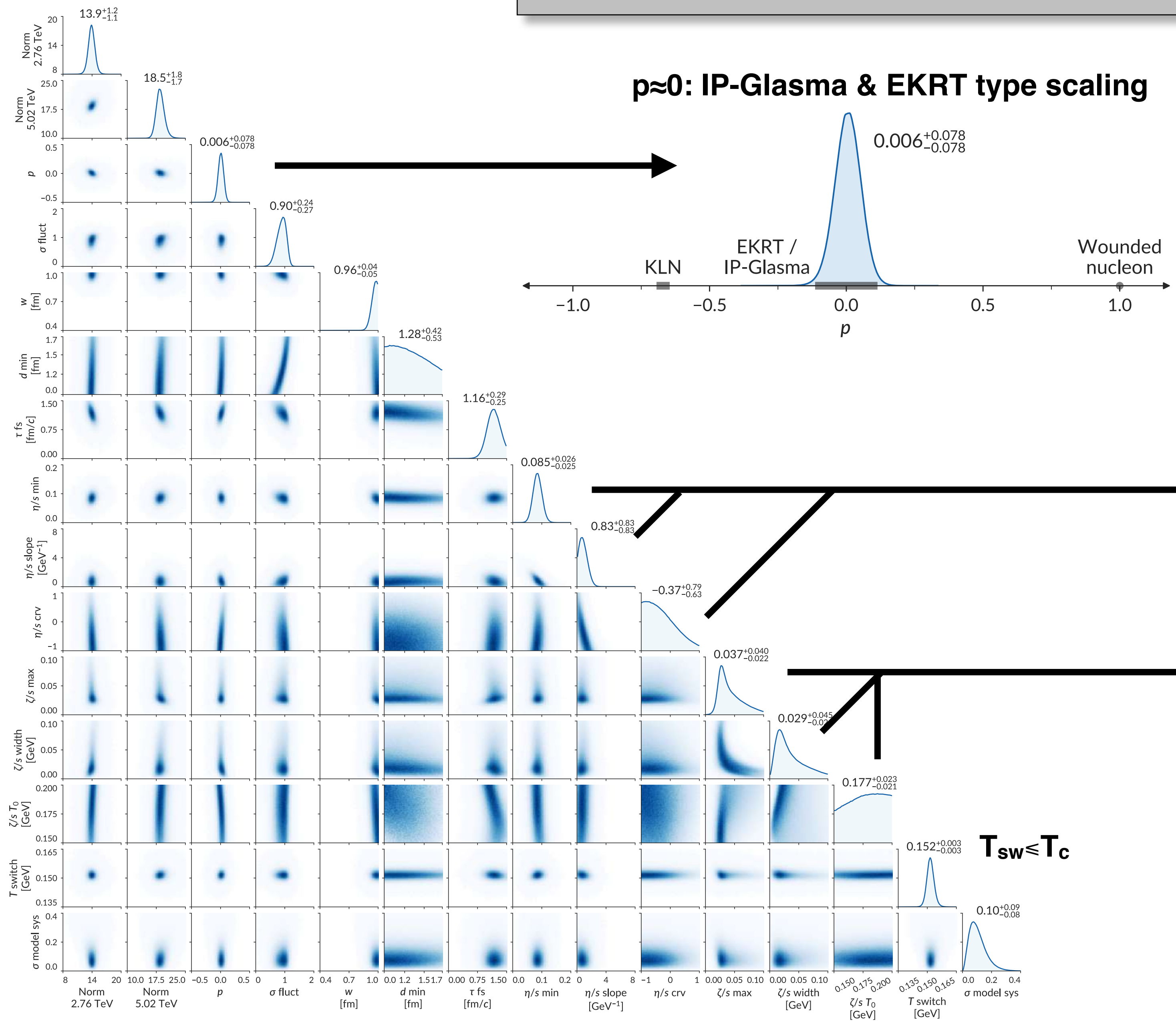
Results: Jonah E. Bernhard, PhD thesis arXiv:1804.06469; John Scott Moreland, PhD thesis arXiv:1904.08290

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Methodology

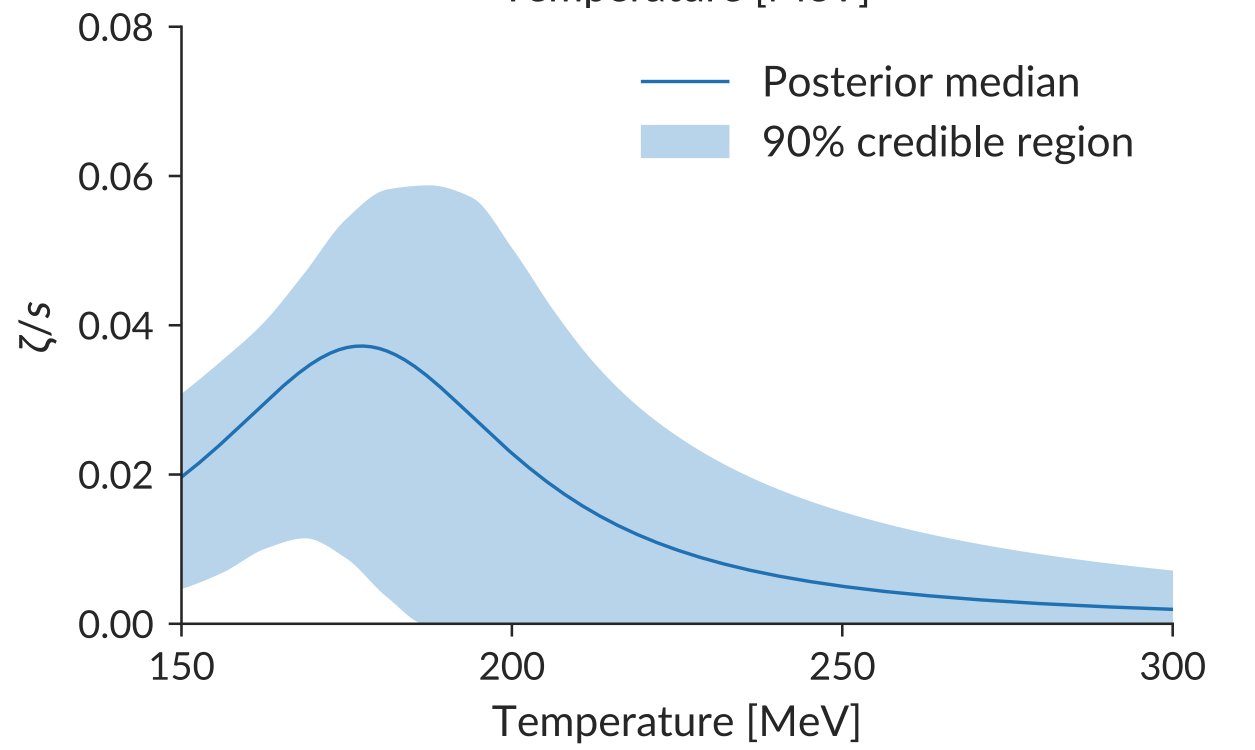
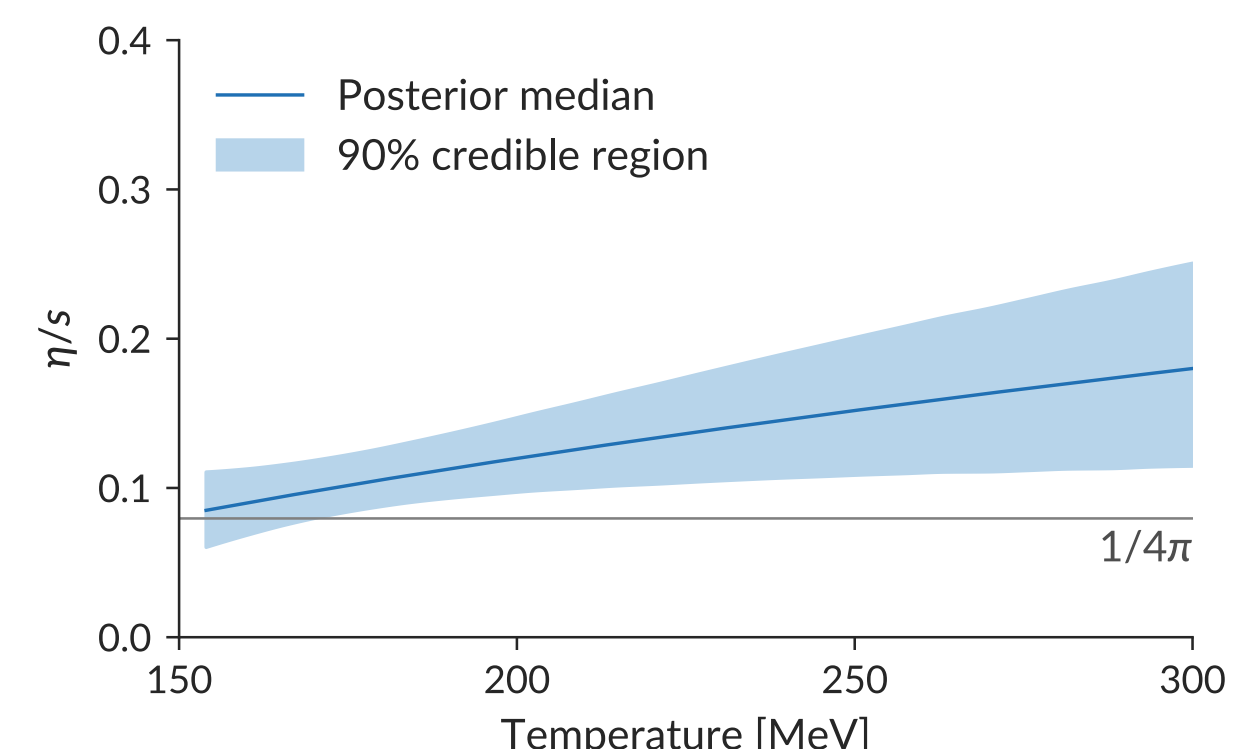


Calibrated Posterior Distribution



- **diagonals:** probability distribution of each parameter, integrating out all others
- **off-diagonals:** pairwise distributions showing dependence between parameters

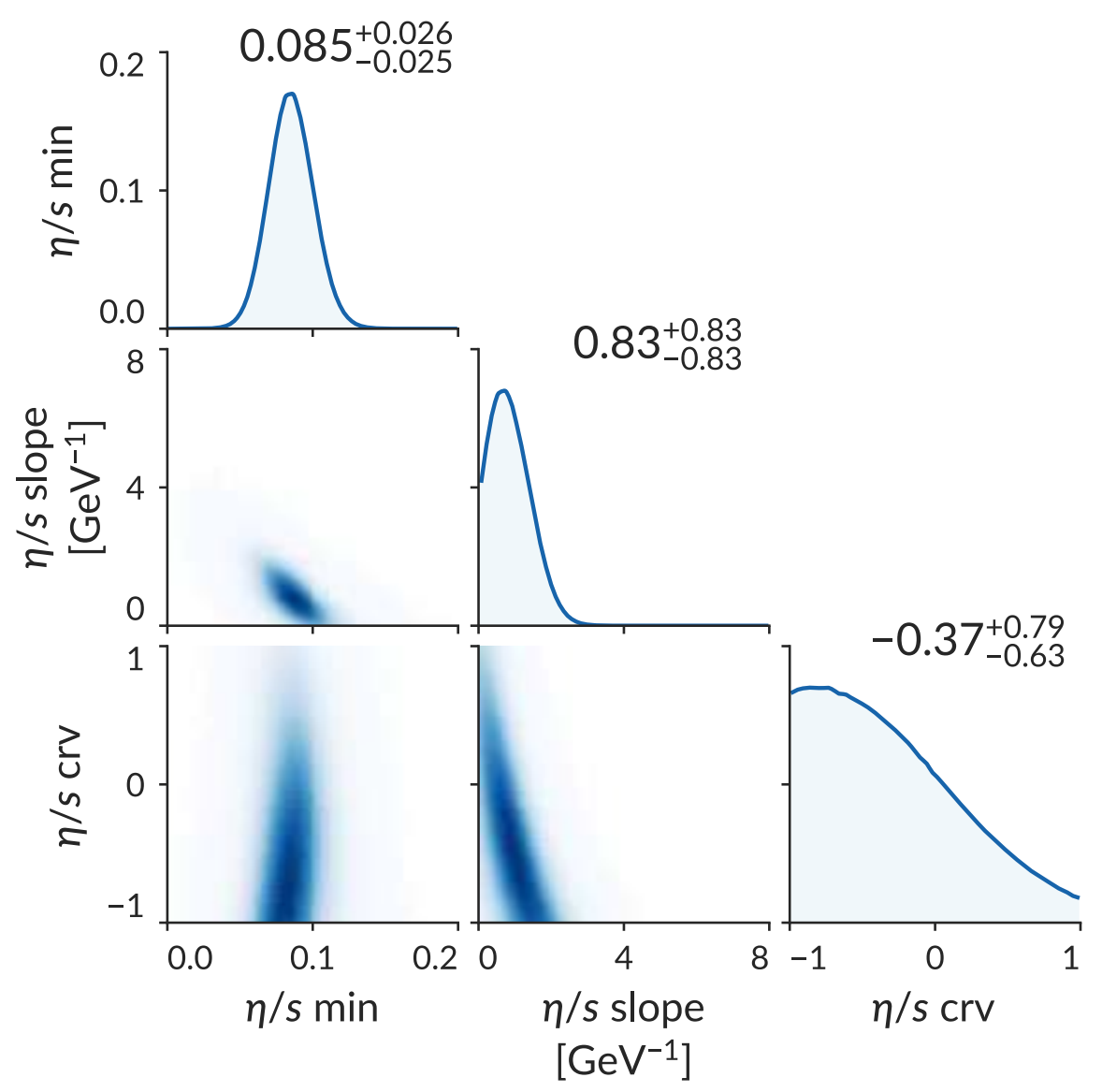
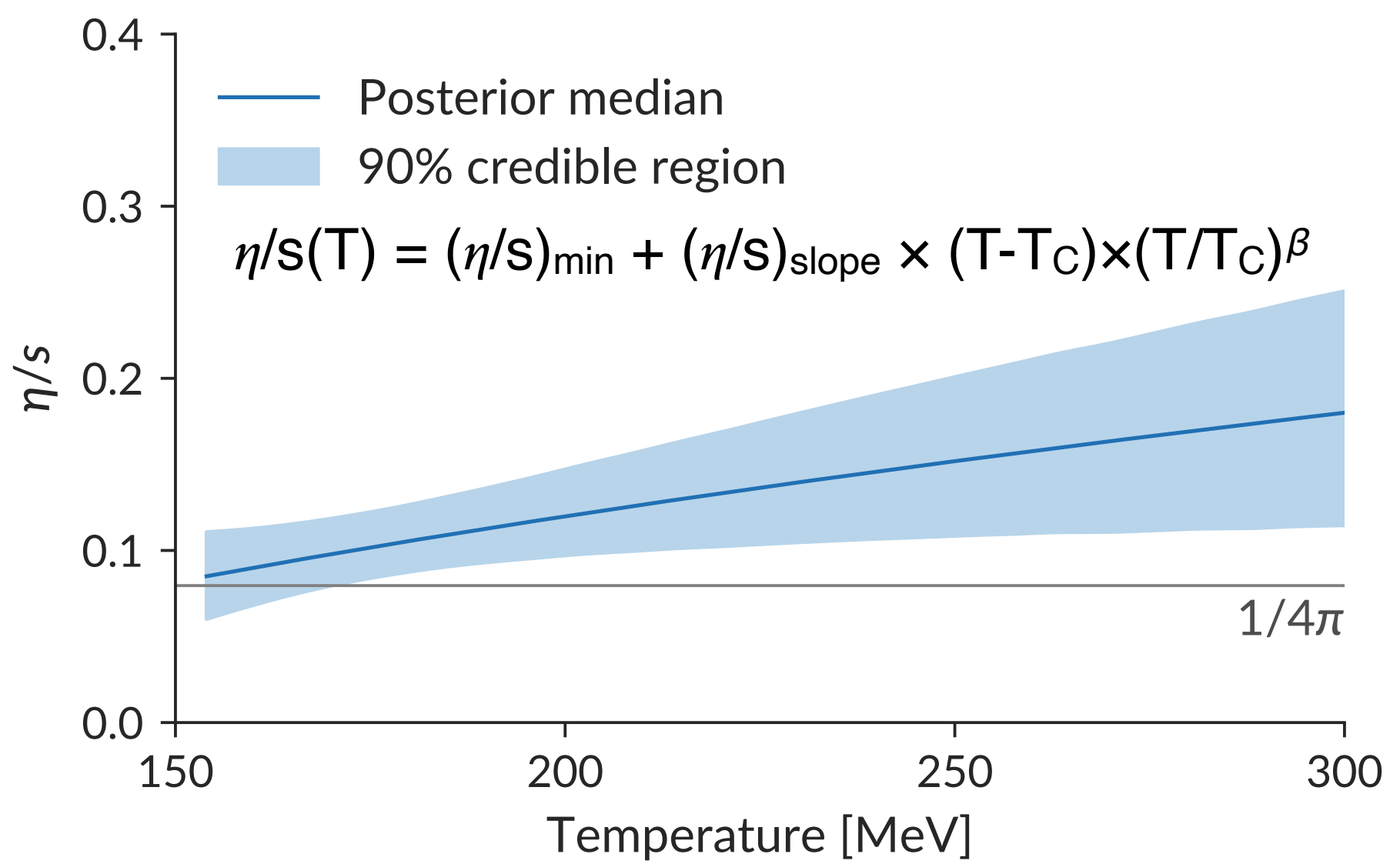
temperature-dependent viscosities:



Temperature Dependence of Shear & Bulk Viscosities

temperature dependent shear viscosity:

- analysis favors small value and shallow rise
- results do not fully constrain temperature dependence:
 - inverse correlation between $(\eta/s)_{\text{slope}}$ slope and intercept $(\eta/s)_{\text{min}}$
 - insufficient data to obtain sharply peaked likelihood distributions for $(\eta/s)_{\text{slope}}$ and curvature β independently
- current analysis most sensitive to $T < 0.23$ GeV
- ▶ **RHIC data may disambiguate further**

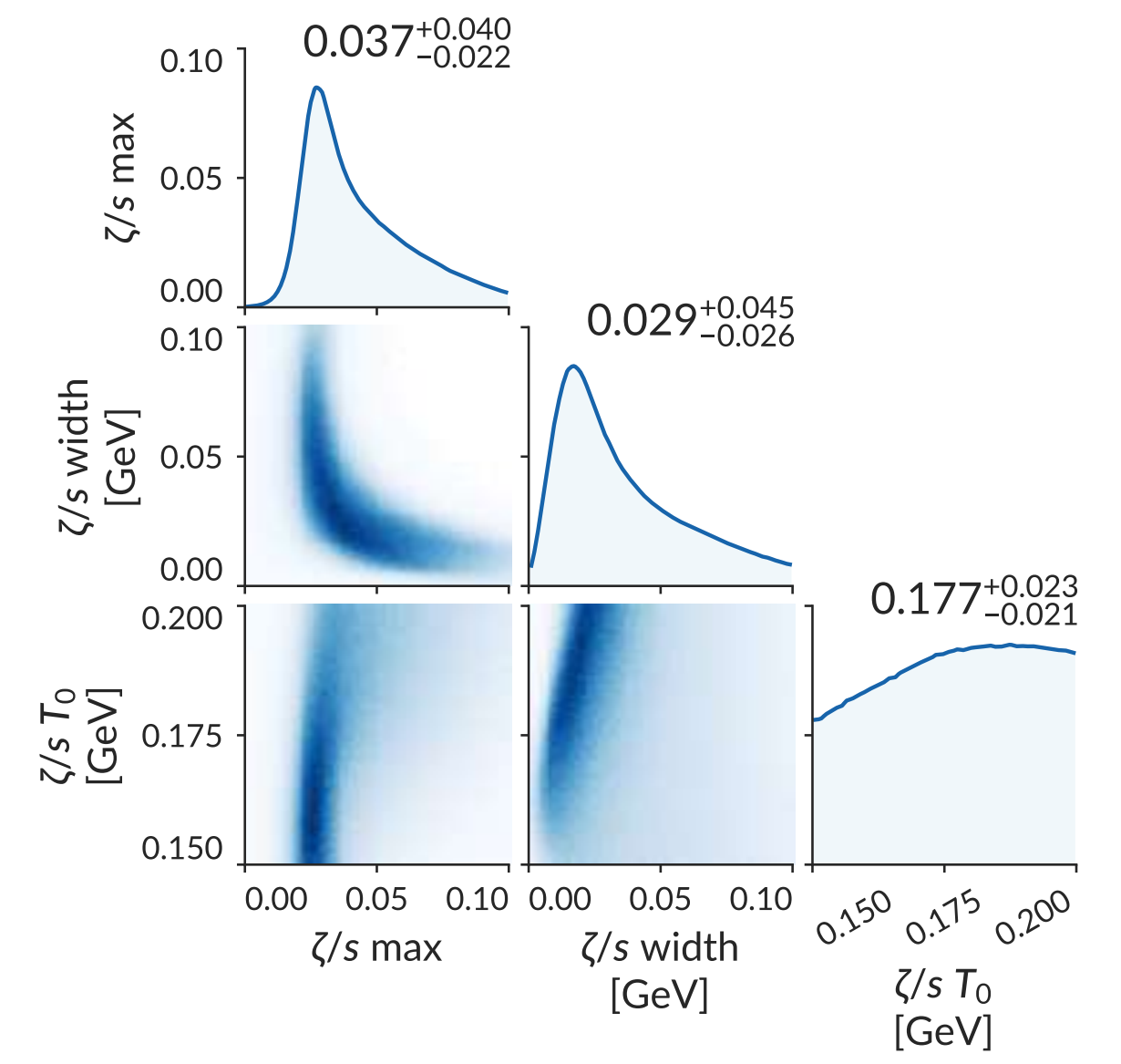
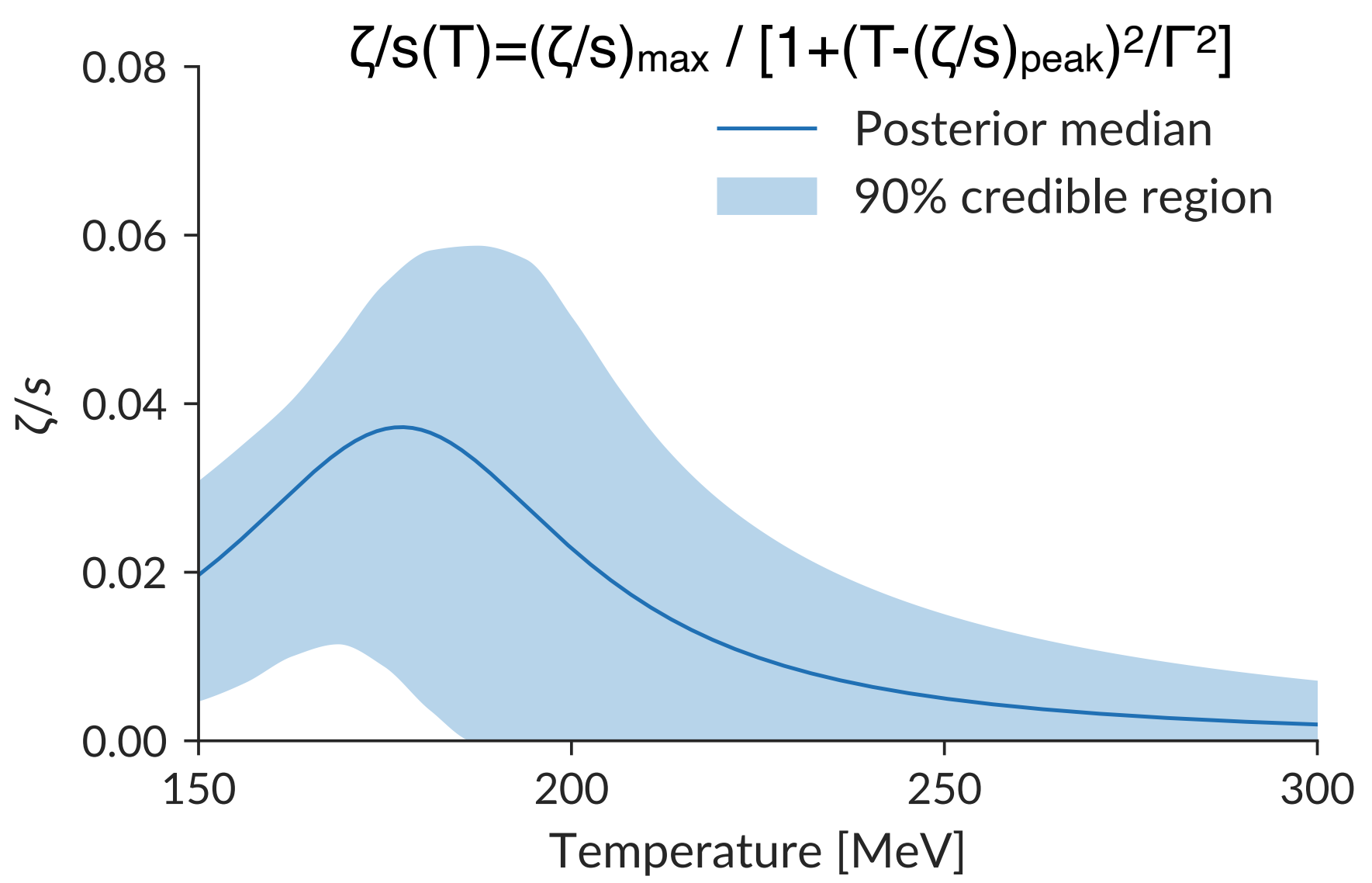


temperature dependent bulk viscosity:

- setup of analysis allows for vanishing value of bulk viscosity
- significant non-zero value near T_c favored, confirming the presence / need for bulk viscosity

caveat of current analysis:

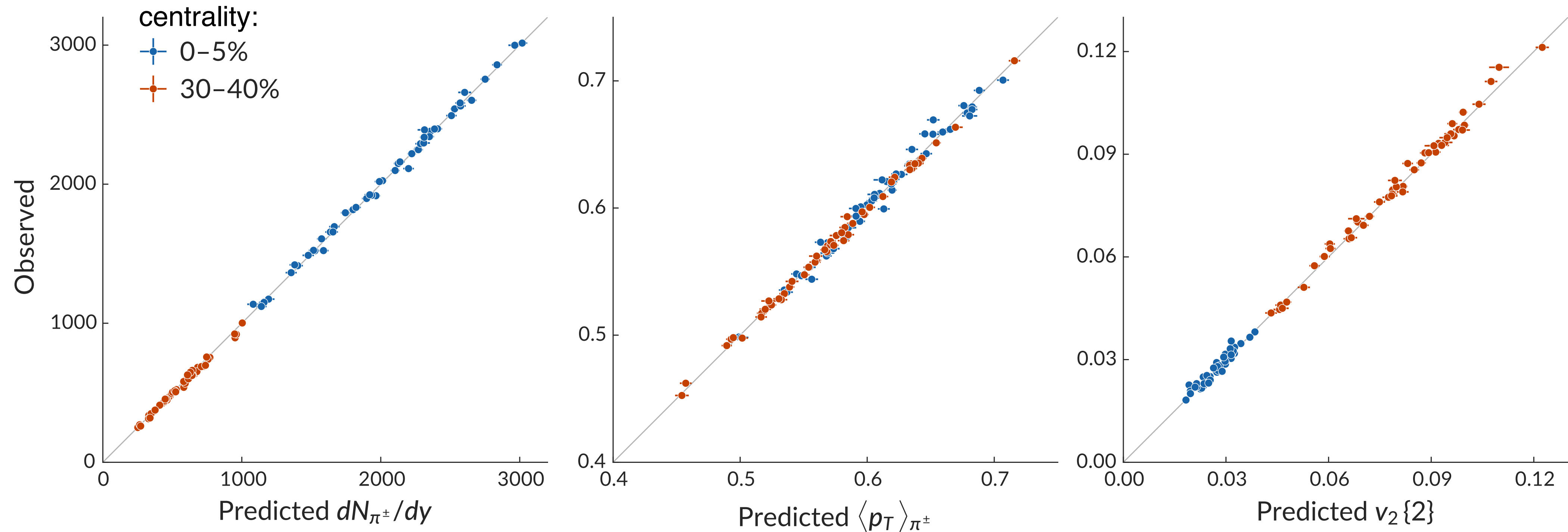
- bulk-viscous corrections are implemented using relaxation-time approximation & regulated to prevent negative particle densities



**Precision Science
or
“Smoke & Mirrors”?**

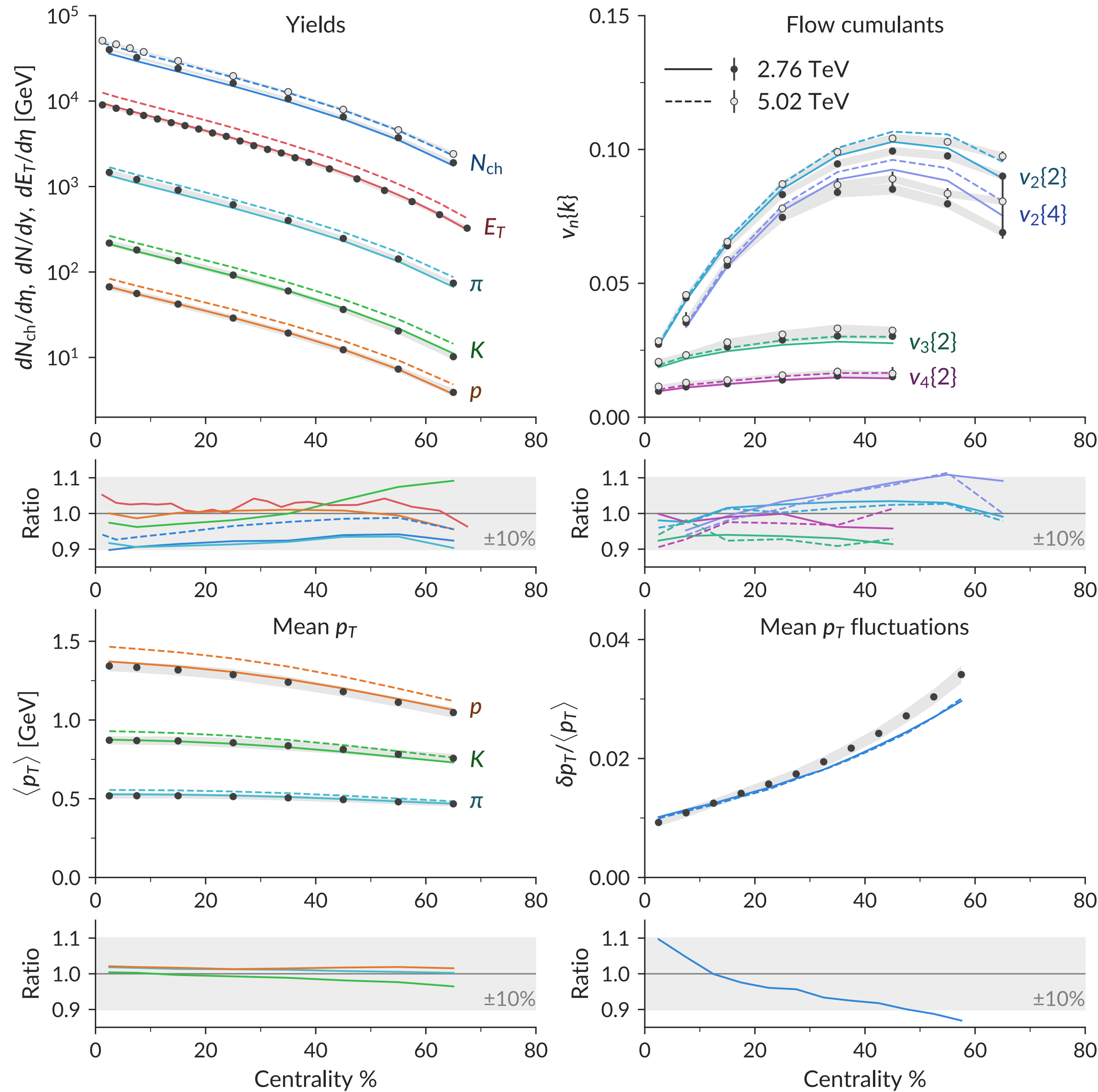
Validation

- generate a separate Latin hypercube validation design with 50 points
- evaluate the full physics model at each validation point
- compare physics model output to that of the previously conditioned GP emulators:



- note that since GPEs are stochastic functions, only $\sim 68\%$ of predictions need to fall within 1 standard deviation

Verification: Explicit Model Calculation



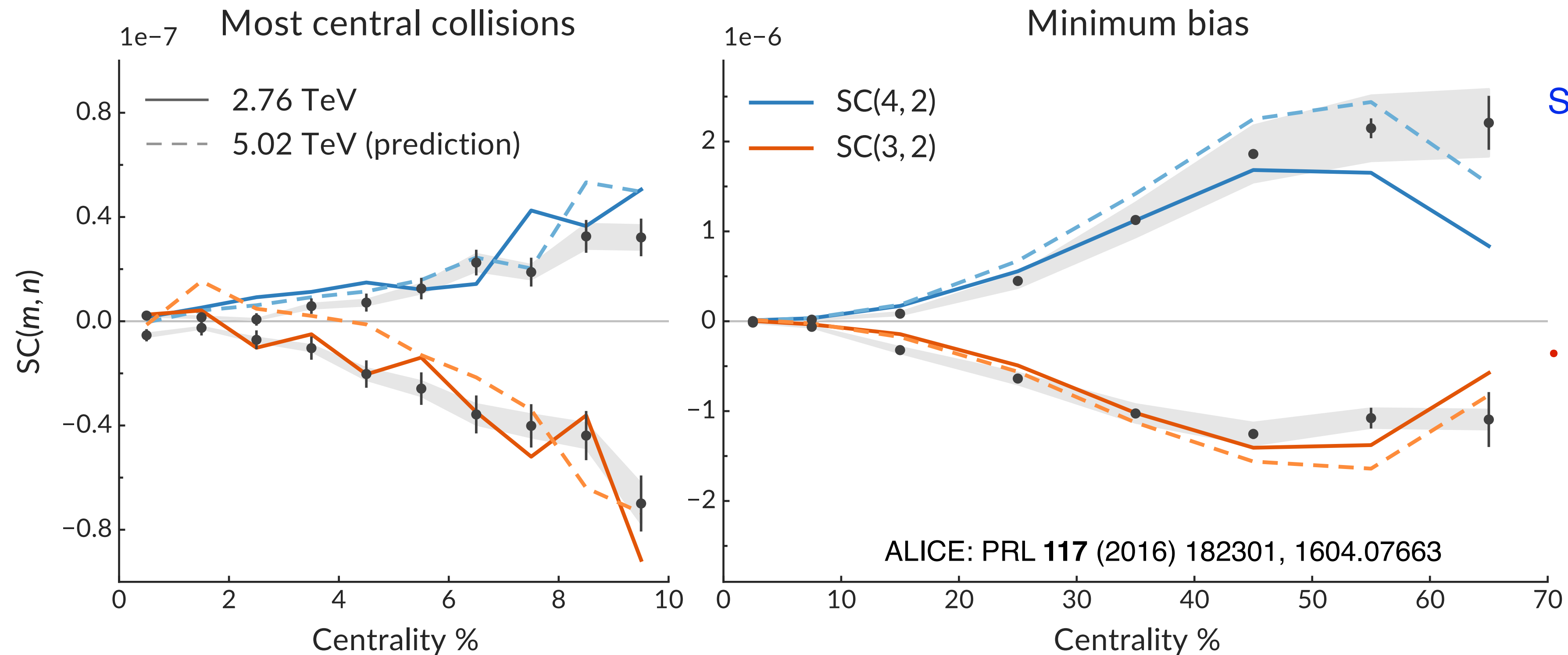
- explicit physics model calculations (no emulator) with parameter values set to the maximum of the posterior probability distributions yield excellent agreement with data!
- description of data to within $\pm 10\%$ accuracy

Prediction: Non-Calibrated Observables

The robustness and quality of the Physics Model can be tested by making predictions on observables not used during calibration using highest likelihood parameter values.

Example: correlations between event-by-event fluctuations of flow harmonics

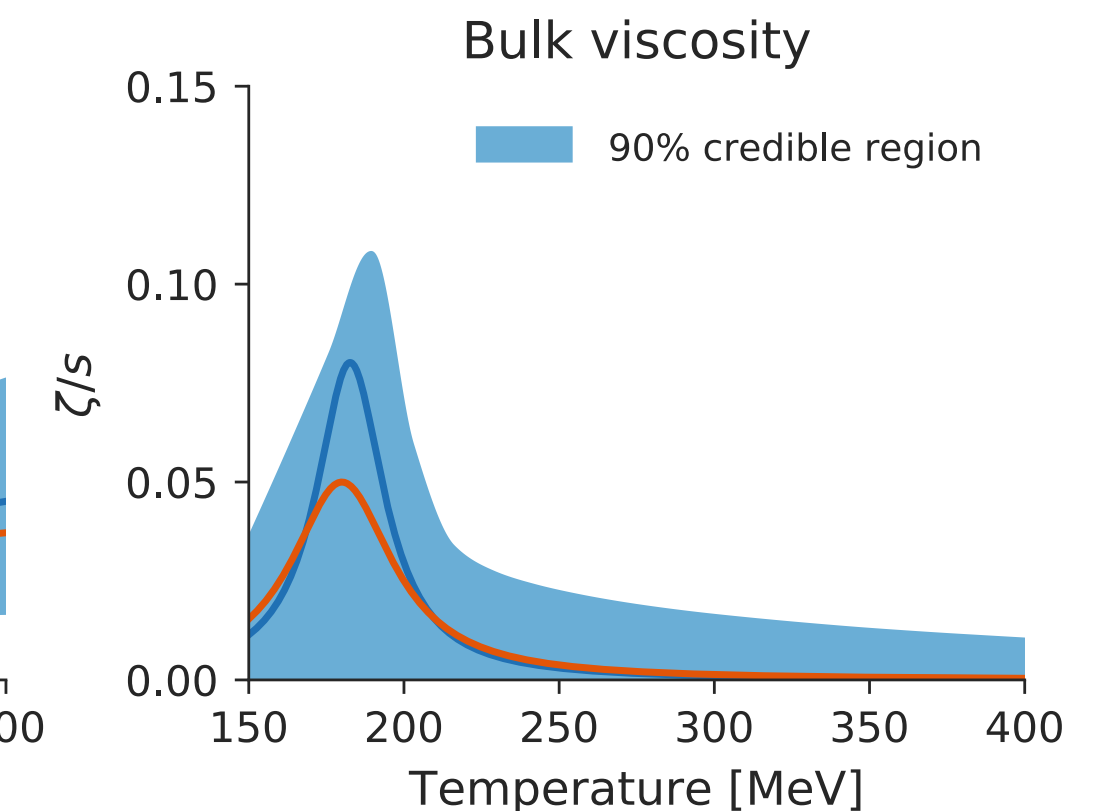
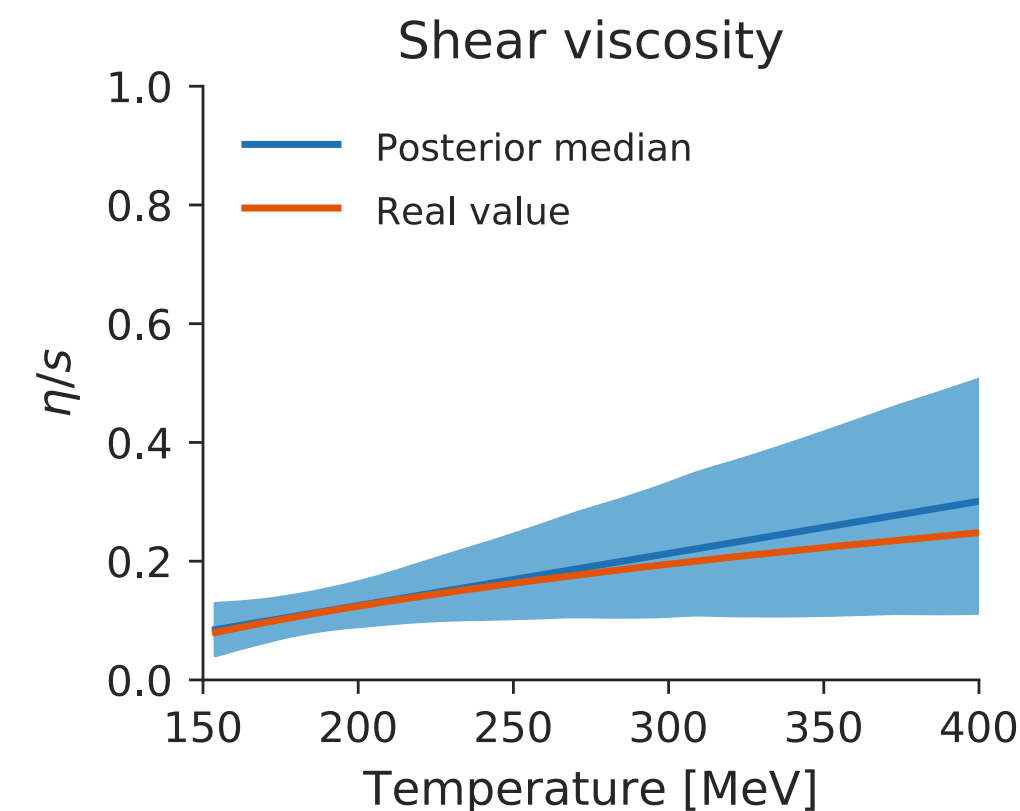
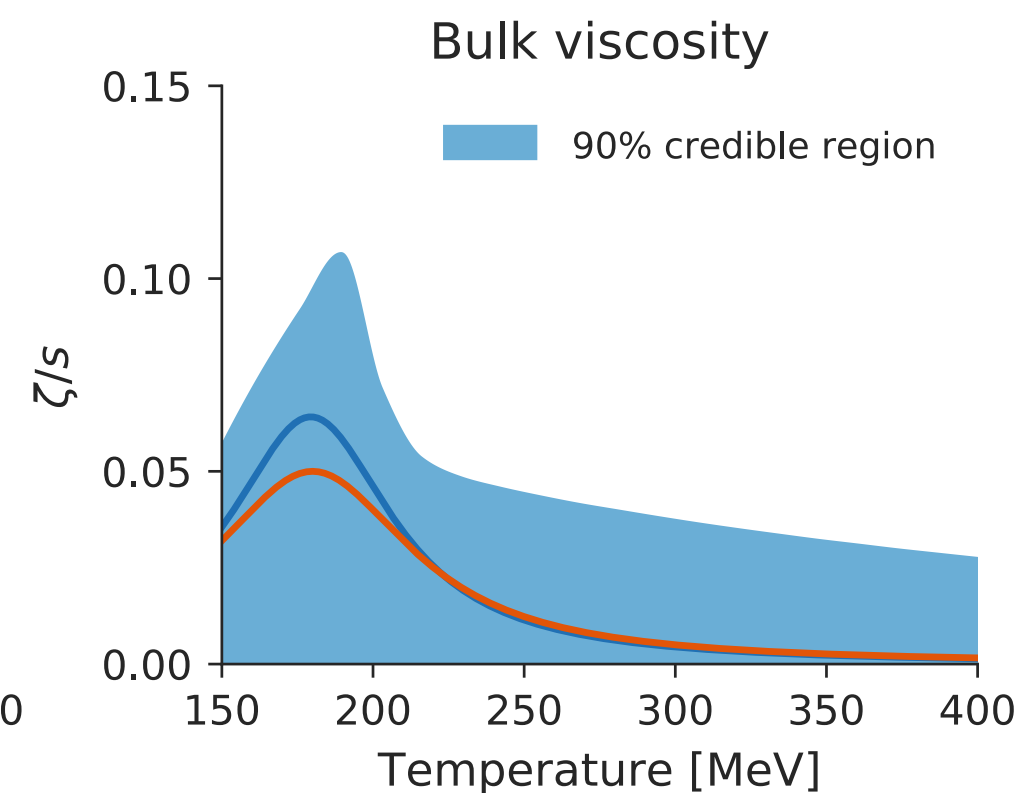
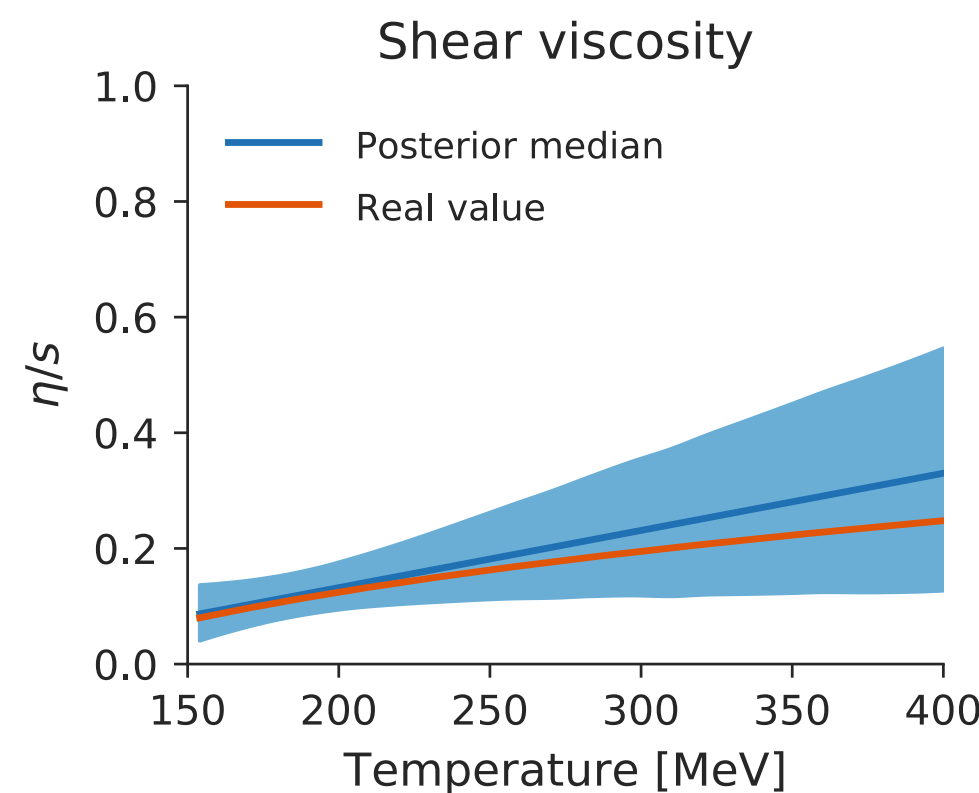
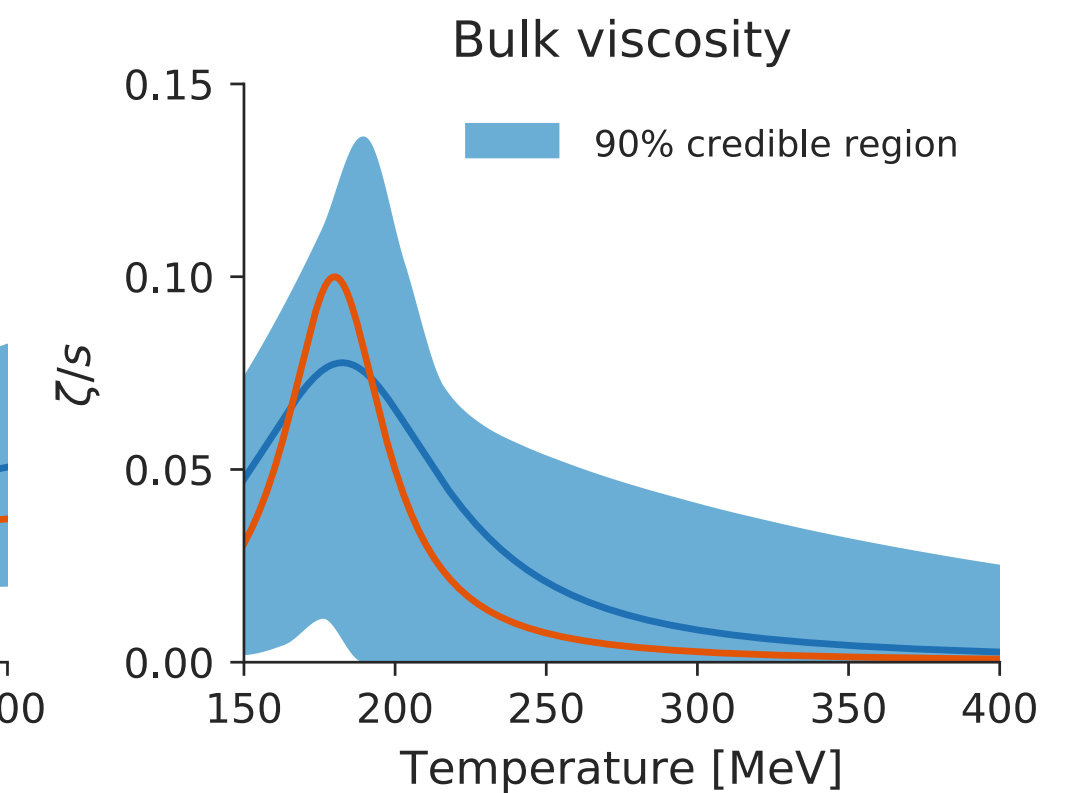
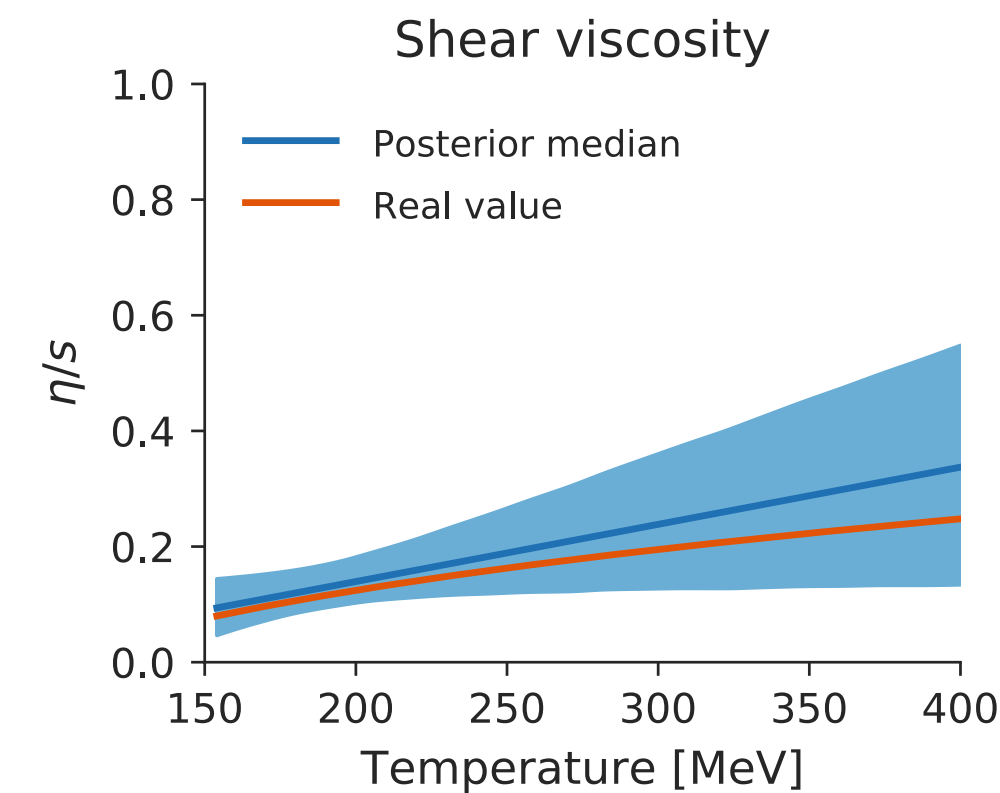
$$SC(m,n) = \langle v_m^2 v_n^2 \rangle - \langle v_m^2 \rangle \langle v_n^2 \rangle$$



Closure Test

Need to verify that analysis can recover “true” values for the parameters: run physics model with chosen set of parameters, generate “fake data” from model output and then conduct analysis on that fake data to test if the input parameters can be recovered!

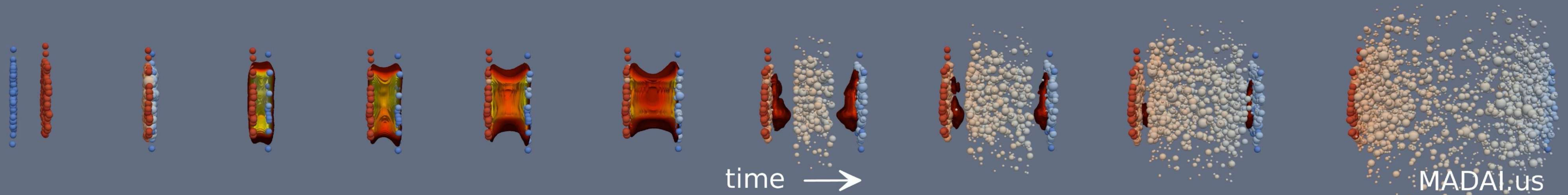
- both, smooth functions as well as peaked functions, can be reproduced well within the 90% CR
- note: due to reduction of information when going from model output to observables & model/GP uncertainties one should not expect a one-to-one reconstruction
- bulk analysis is mostly sensitive to area under bulk peak, not peak position, height & width independently



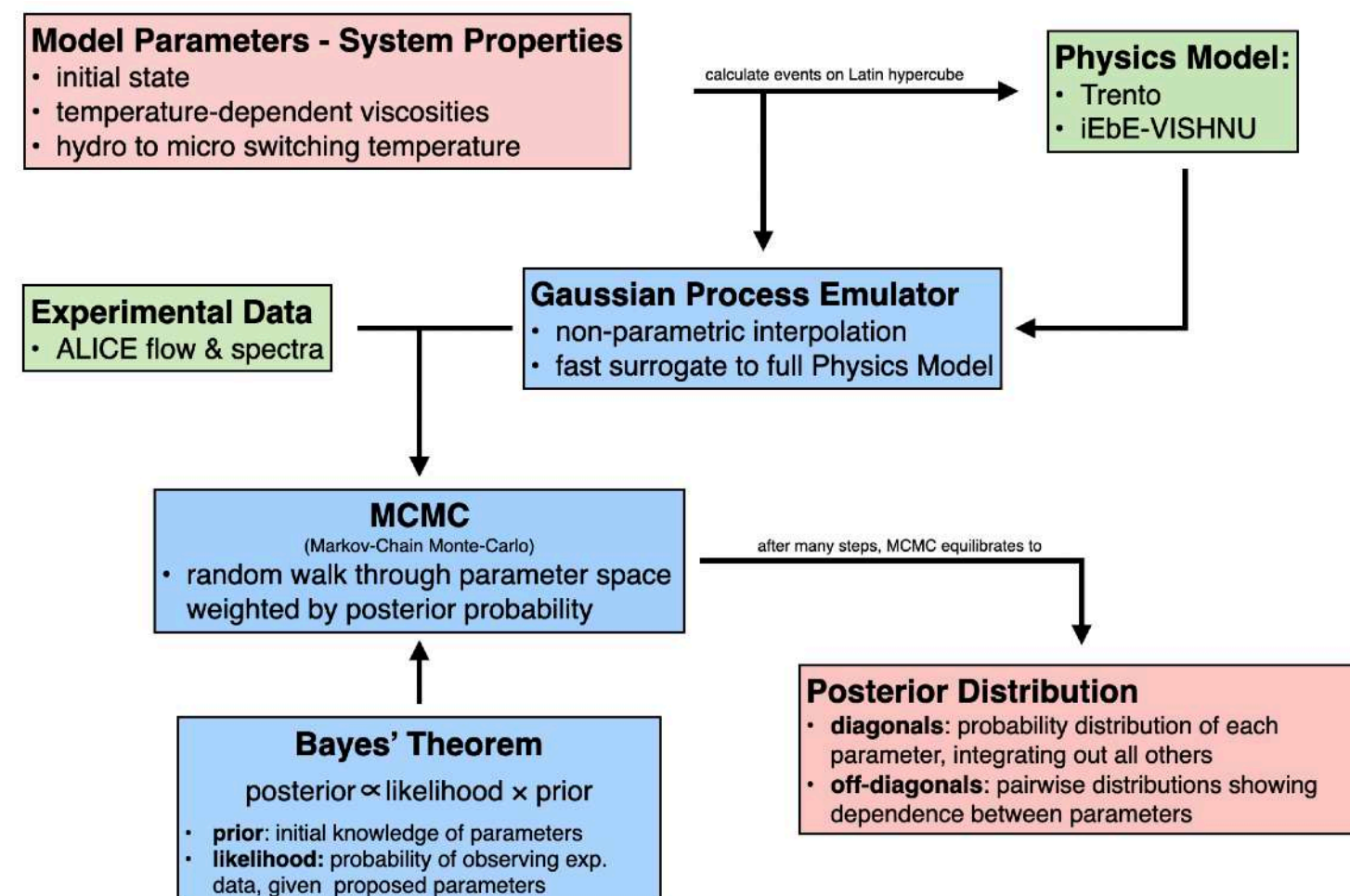
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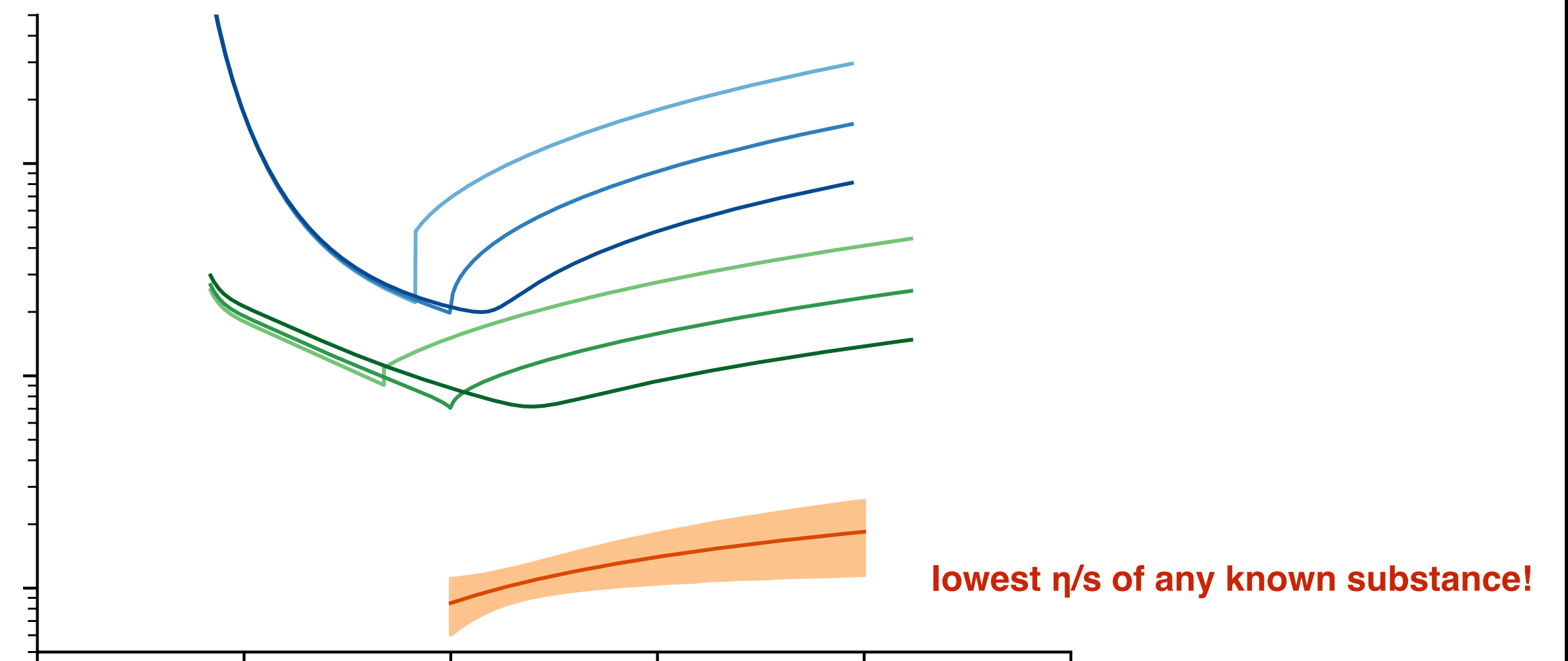
- created a comprehensive set of computational models to describe the dynamical evolution of ultra-relativistic heavy-ion collisions



- developed a framework, utilizing Bayesian Statistics and high performance computing, to execute model-to-data calibrations with uncertainty quantification:



- applied models and framework for the first quantitative determination of the temperature-dependence of the QGP specific shear-viscosity



Outlook & Future Directions

current analysis focus was on the properties of bulk QCD matter and utilized only LHC data on soft hadrons. The analysis needs to be extended to:

- **include data from lower beam energies**
 - ▶ necessary for determination of the temperature and μ_B dependence of transport coefficients
- **include asymmetric collision systems (p+A, d+A, 3He+A, A+B)**
 - ▶ generate improved understanding of the initial state
- **include hard probes (jets and heavy quark observables)**
 - ▶ consistent determination of jet and heavy flavor transport coefficients
- **include other physics models**
 - ▶ analysis is model agnostic, allows for quantitative comparison among different models and verification/falsification of models/conceptual approaches



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