# ANISOTROPY OF THE QGP DROPLET EXPLORED THROUGH HIGH- $p_{\perp}$ DATA Stefan Stojku, Institute of Physics Belgrade

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#### INTRODUCTION

- Quark-gluon plasma is a new form of matter, which consists of interacting quarks, antiquarks and gluons
- Energy loss of high energy particles traversing QCD medium is an excellent probe of QGP properties.
- High energy particles:
  - Are produced only during the initial stage of QCD matter
  - Significantly interact with the QCD medium
  - Perturbative calculations are possible
- Theoretical predictions vs. experimental data.

#### INTRODUCTION

- Dynamical Radiative and Elastic ENergy Loss Approach: a versatile and fully optimized suppression calculation procedure.
- Capable of generating high-*p*<sub>⊥</sub> predictions for:
  - different collision systems
  - collision energies
  - centralities
  - observables...

Versions: DREENA-C, DREENA-B, DREENA-A

#### **QGP** TOMOGRAPHY

• Our main goal: use high- $p_{\perp}$  data to infer bulk properties of QGP.



- This energy loss is sensitive to QGP properties.
- We can realistically predict this energy loss.



- High-p<sub>⊥</sub> probes are excellent tomoraphy tools.
- We can use them to infer some of the bulk QGP properties.

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#### **QGP** TOMOGRAPHY

## • We have demonstrated this by constraining the early evolution with high- $p_{\perp}$ data

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#### ANISOTROPY

- Initial spatial anisotropy: one of the main properties of QGP. One of the major limiting factors for QGP tomography.
- Still not possible to infer anisotropy from experimental data.
- Alternative approaches are necessary.
- We propose a novel approach, based on inference from already available high- $p_{\perp} R_{AA}$  and  $v_2$  measurements.
- We previously argued that  $v_2/(1 R_{AA})$  saturates at high- $p_{\perp}$
- Saturation value reflects the geometry of the system

M. Djordjevic, S. Stojku, M. Djordjevic and P. Huovinen, Phys.Rev. C Rapid Commun. 100, 031901 (2019).

This argument: analytic considerations and a simple 1+1D medium expansion

#### ANISOTROPY

• We here study the behavior of  $v_2/(1 - R_{AA})$  in a system that expands in both longitudinal and transversal directions.

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■  $v_2$  and  $1 - R_{AA}$  are directly proportional at high  $p_{\perp}$ .

- This is equivalent to a  $p_{\perp}$ -independent ratio of  $v_2$  and  $1 R_{AA}$ .
- Can fluid dynamical calculations reproduce such proportionality? Can we relate this observation to the anisotropy of the system?

#### ANISOTROPY

## **DREENA-A:** can accomodate any temperature profile and generate high- $p_{\perp}$ $R_{AA}$ and $v_2$ predictions.

D. Zigic, I. Salom, J. Auvinen, P. Huovinen and M. Djordjevic, arXiv:2110.01544 [nucl-th].

We visualize the temperatures partons experience in the in-plane and out-of-plane directions for different initializations and evolutions.

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### $v_{2}/(1-R_{AA})$ results

- Does  $v_2/(1 R_{AA})$  saturate?
- Does this saturation carry information on the anisotropy of the system?
- What kind of anisotropy measure is revealed through high-*p*<sub>⊥</sub> data?

#### We calculate $v_2/(1 - R_{AA})$ within DREENA-A framework:



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The phenomenon of  $v_2/(1 - R_{AA})$  saturation is robust! How to explore if it contains information on the system anisotropy?

#### **CONNECTION TO ANISOTROPY**

#### Next: Plot charged hadrons' $v_2/(1 - R_{AA})$ [100GeV] vs. $\Delta L/\langle L \rangle$

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- Centrality classes: 10-20%, 20-30%, 30-40%, 40-50%
- Surprisingly simple relation between  $v_2/(1 - R_{AA})$  and  $\Delta L/\langle L \rangle$ .
- Slope  $\approx$  1.
- $v_2/(1 R_{AA})$  carries information on the system anisotropy, through  $\Delta L/\langle L \rangle$ .

#### JET-TEMPERATURE ANISOTROPY

- Define a more direct measure of anisotropy? Explicit dependence on time evolution?
- We define *jT*:

$$jT(\tau,\phi) \equiv \frac{\int dx dy \, T^3(x+\tau \cos \phi, y+\tau \sin \phi, \tau) \, n_0(x,y)}{\int dx dy \, n_0(x,y)}$$

■ *jT* is not azimuthally symmetric. We define its 2<sup>nd</sup> Fourier coefficient *jT*<sub>2</sub>:

 $jT_{2}(\tau) = \frac{\int dx dy \, n_{o}(x, y) \int \phi \cos 2\phi \, T^{3}(x + \tau \cos \phi, y + \tau \sin \phi, \tau)}{\int dx dy \, n_{o}(x, y) \int \phi \, T^{3}(x + \tau \cos \phi, y + \tau \sin \phi, \tau)}$ 

#### JET-TEMPERATURE ANISOTROPY

#### ■ A simple time-average of *jT*<sub>2</sub>: jet-temperature anisotropy:

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$$\langle jT_2 \rangle = rac{\int_{\tau_0}^{\tau_{
m cut}} d\tau \, jT_2(\tau)}{\tau_{
m cut} - \tau_0}$$



- *τ<sub>cut</sub>*: the time when the center of the fireball has cooled to critical temperature *T<sub>c</sub>*.
- $v_2/(1 R_{AA})$  shows a linear dependence on  $\langle jT_2 \rangle$ , with a slope close to 1.
- $v_2/(1 R_{AA})$  carries information on this property of the medium.

#### JET-TEMPERATURE ANISOTROPY

• We evaluated  $\langle jT_2 \rangle$  from experimentally measured  $R_{AA}(p_{\perp})$  and  $v_2(p_{\perp})$ : the fitted ratio was converted to  $\langle jT_2 \rangle$ .



- All three experiments lead to similar values of  $\langle jT_2 \rangle$ .
- Jet-temperature anisotropy provides an important constraint on bulk-medium simulations - they should be tuned to reproduce it.

#### CONCLUSIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- High- $p_{\perp}$  theory and data traditionally used to explore high- $p_{\perp}$  parton interactions with QGP.
- High-p<sub>⊥</sub> probes can become powerful tomography tools, as they are sensitive to global QGP properties (e.g. spatial anisotropy).
- A (modified) ratio of R<sub>AA</sub> and v<sub>2</sub> a reliable and robust observable for straightforward extraction of spatial anisotropy.
- The saturation is directly proportional to jet-temperature anisotropy.
- It will be possible to infer anisotropy directly from LHC Run 3 data: an important constraint to models describing the early stages of QGP formation.
- Synergy of more common approaches for inferring QGP properties with high-p<sub>⊥</sub> theory and data.

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