

# Extracting Rigorous Conclusions from Model-Data Comparisons

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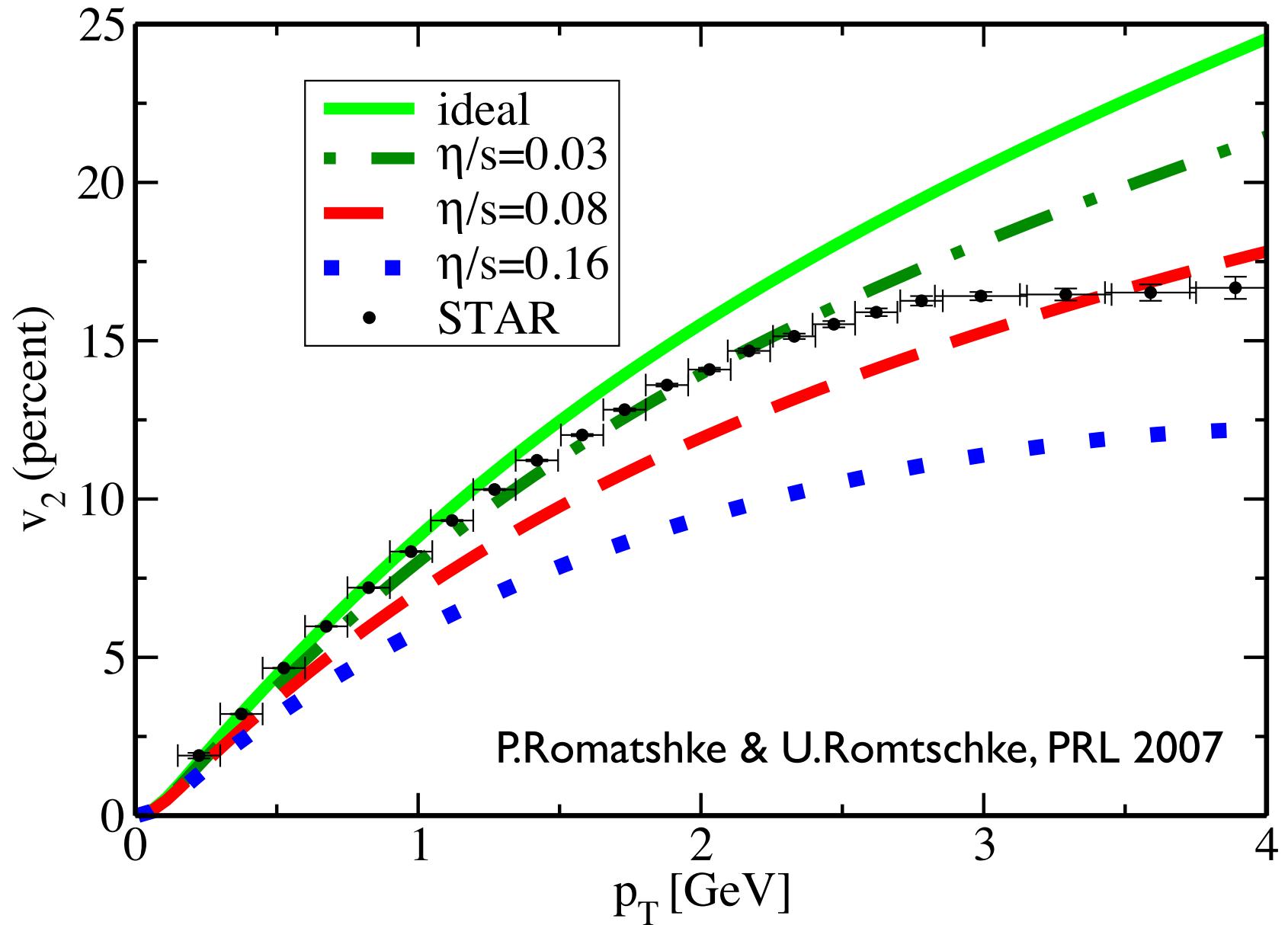


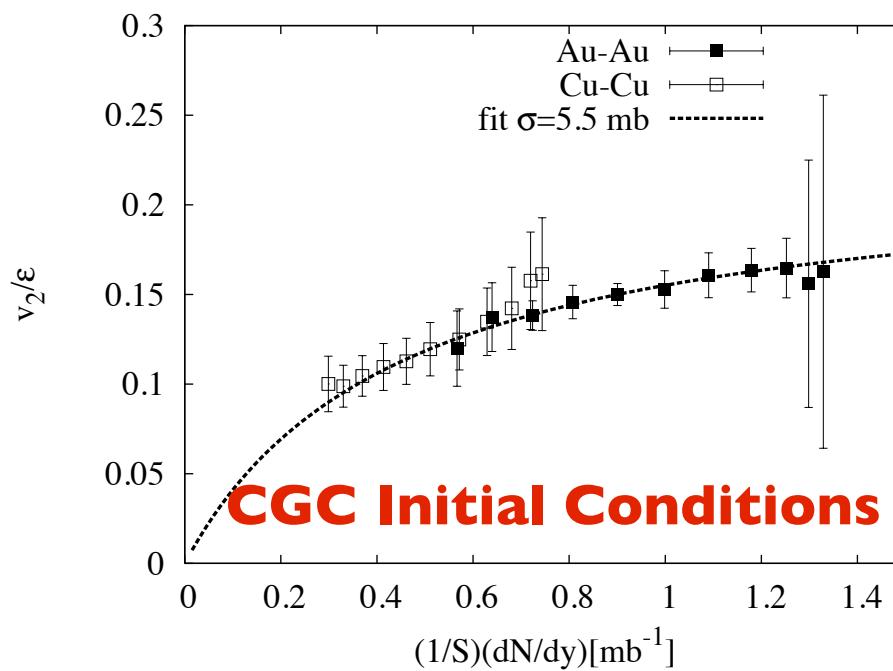
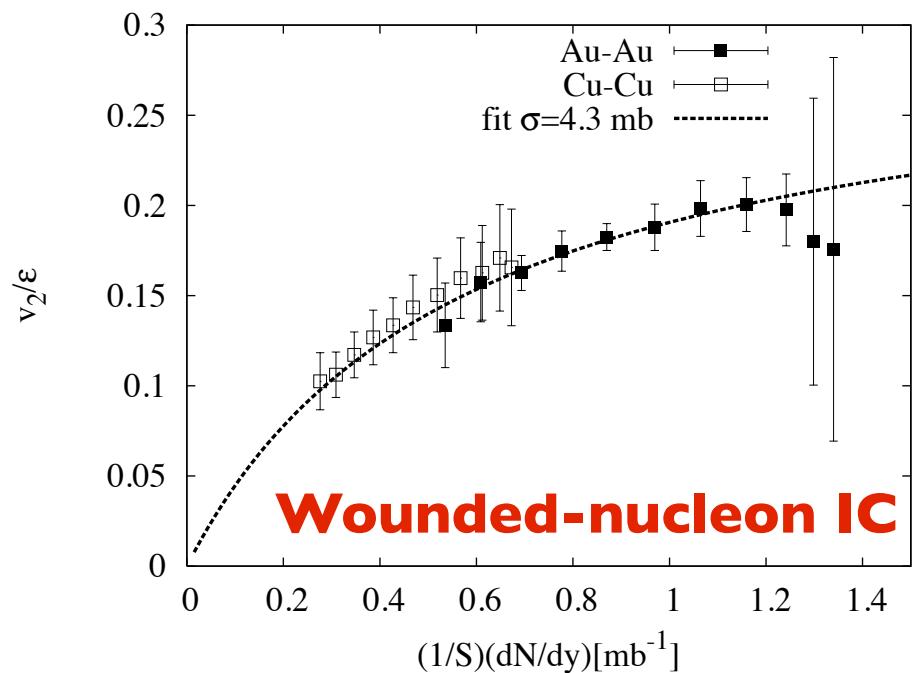
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# **How to write a PRL for RHIC physics**

- 1. Identify a strong relationship between parameter  $x$  and observable  $y$  (e.g.,  $\eta$  and  $v_2$ )**
- 2. Run your model for several values of  $x$  and show that  $y$  changes**
- 3. Add hand-waving arguments that this is the principal sensitivity**
- 4. Wait for someone else to show other parameters affect  $y$**

## Example: $v_2$ and $\eta/s$





**v2 depends on ....**

- $\eta/s$
- saturation model
- pre-thermal flow

**weakly on ....**

- T-dependence of  $\eta/s$

**~independent of ....**

- initial  $T_{xx}/T_{yy}$

# **Shortcomings of approach**

- **Many parameters,  $x$ , affect any given observable,  $y$**   
E.g.  $v_2$  affected by viscosity, saturation parameters, initial flow...
- **Each parameter affects several observables**  
 $\vec{y}(\vec{x})$
- **Can't quantitatively determine parameters**

# Some parameters (bulk physics)

- **Shear Viscosity ( $T, \rho$  dependent)**
- **Bulk Viscosity ( $T, \rho$  dependent)**
- **Eq. of State ( $T, \rho$  dependent)**
- **Initial Conditions:**  
**choice of parameterization/model, initial flow, saturation scale, energy normalization, rapidity width, baryon stopping**
- **Hadronization parameters:  $T_{had}$ , fugacity**
- **In-medium screening of  $\sigma$**
- **Could easily exceed a dozen**

# Some observables (soft)

- **Yields and Spectra**
- **$V_2, V_3, V_4...$**
- **Femtoscopic Radii**
- **Can reduce functions to a few numbers.**  
E.g. spectra → yield,  $\langle p_T \rangle$ ,  $\langle p_T^2 \rangle$
- **long-range correlations, e.g. charge balance**
- **All depend on species,  $p_T$ ,  $y$ , centrality, beam particles, beam energy**
- **Perhaps ~100 observables**

# **Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC)**

- **Find sample "posterior" distribution:  
collection of  $x$  weighted by likelihood**

$$\vec{L}(\vec{x}) \propto \exp \left\{ - \sum_a \frac{(y_a(\vec{x}) - y_a^{\text{exp}})^2}{2\sigma_a^2} \right\}$$

- **$\sigma_a$  incorporates both experimental & model uncertainties**
- **Typical algorithm Metropolis:**
  1. Calculate  $L(x)$
  2. Calculate  $L(x+\delta x)$
  3. If  $L(x+\delta x) > L(x)$  or  $L(x+\delta x)/L(x) < \text{Random}$ :  
**keep**  
**otherwise: reject**  
**Repeat .... perhaps millions of times**

# **Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC)**

- **Posterior distribution = sampling of  $x$  consistent with  $L(x)$**   
**From sampling ->  $\langle x \rangle$ , covariances ..**
- **Each point might requires running model with sufficient stats for each impact parameter, beam energy, ....**
- **Could take multiple CPU days for each point**
- **NOT TRACTABLE!!!**

# **Emulator / Surrogate Model / Metamodel / Interpolator**

- **Run full model ~1000 times semi-randomly throughout prior (Latin hyper-cube sampling)**
- **Build emulator:**  $y^{\text{emu}}(\vec{x}) \approx y^{\text{mod}}(\vec{x})$
- **Examples emulator schemes:**  
**Gaussian process, linear/quadratic fit...**

# Building emulator

- Determine principal components (PCA)

$$y_a(\vec{x}) \rightarrow \tilde{y}_a(x) \equiv \frac{y_a(\vec{x}) - \langle y_a \rangle}{\sigma_a}$$

**Rotate  $y$  to diagonalize covariance**

$$\langle \tilde{y}_a \tilde{y}_b \rangle \rightarrow \langle z_a z_b \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

**Only emulate components with  $\lambda \approx 1$**

- Determine hyper-parameters:  
(e.g. linear fit parameters) for each  $z_a$

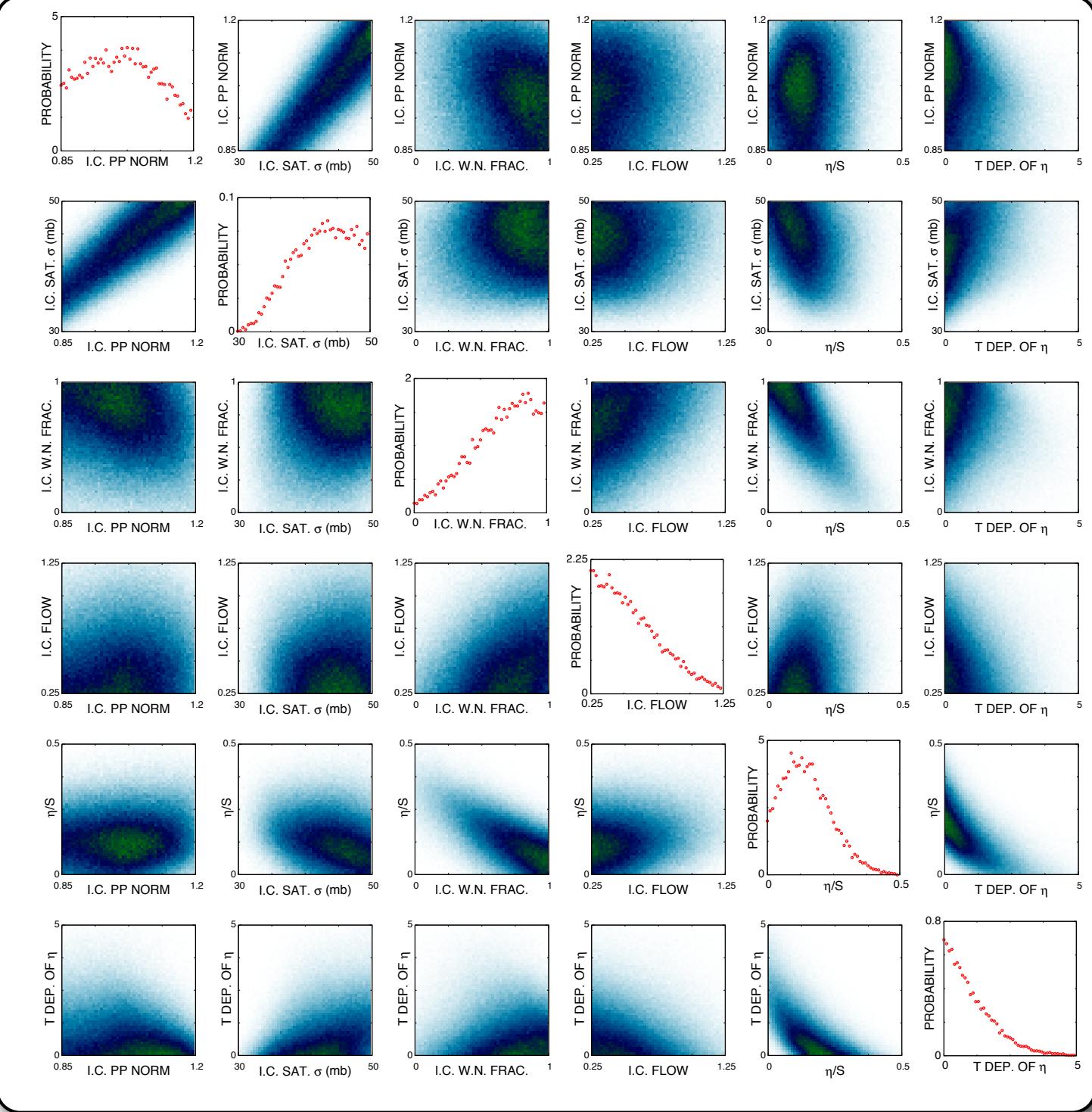
$$\vec{L}(\vec{x}) \approx \exp \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \sum_a (z_a^{\text{emu}}(\vec{x}) - z_a^{\text{exp}})^2 \right\}$$

# **Test Calculation**

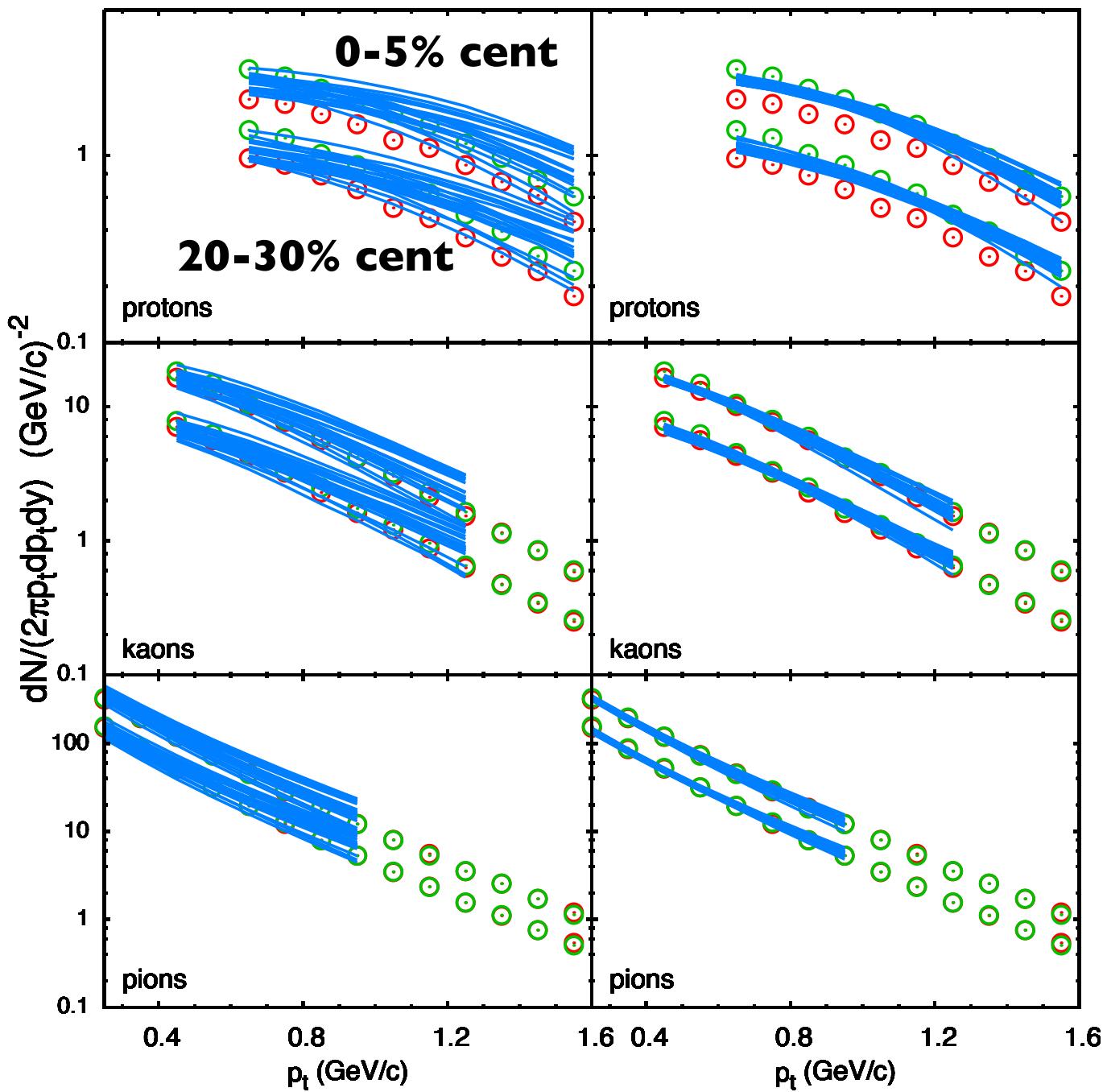
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- **Parametrized IC, IS Hydro + Cascade**
- **100 GeV/c + 100 GeV/c Au+Au from RHIC**
- **$\pi$ ,  $K$ ,  $p$  spectra --  $\pi$  HBT radii --  $\pi$   $v_2$**
- **6 parameters:  $\eta$ ,  $T$ -dependence of  $\eta$ , saturation  $\sigma$ , WN vs. CGC weight,  $\varepsilon$  normalization, initial flow**

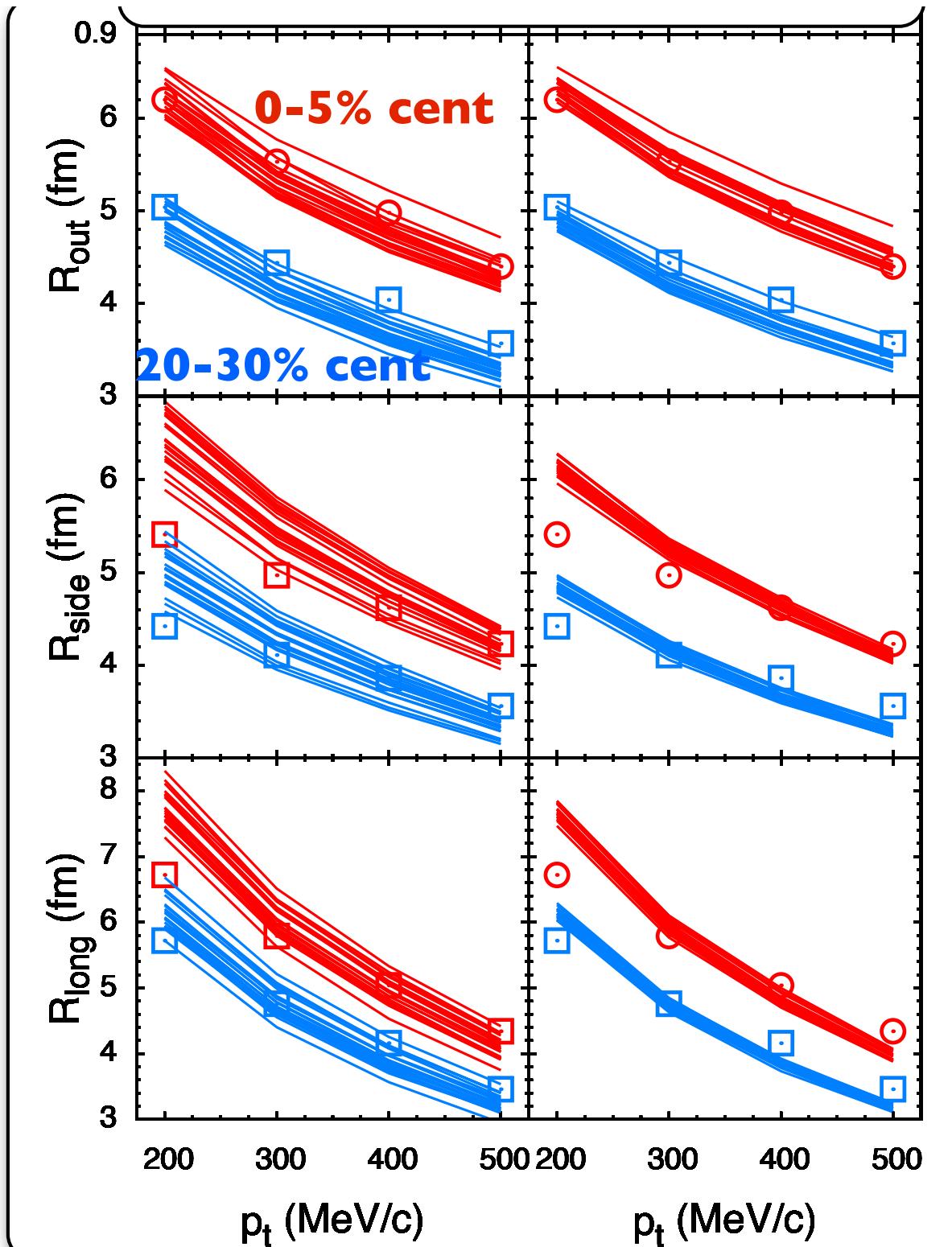
# ID and 2D Posterior Projections



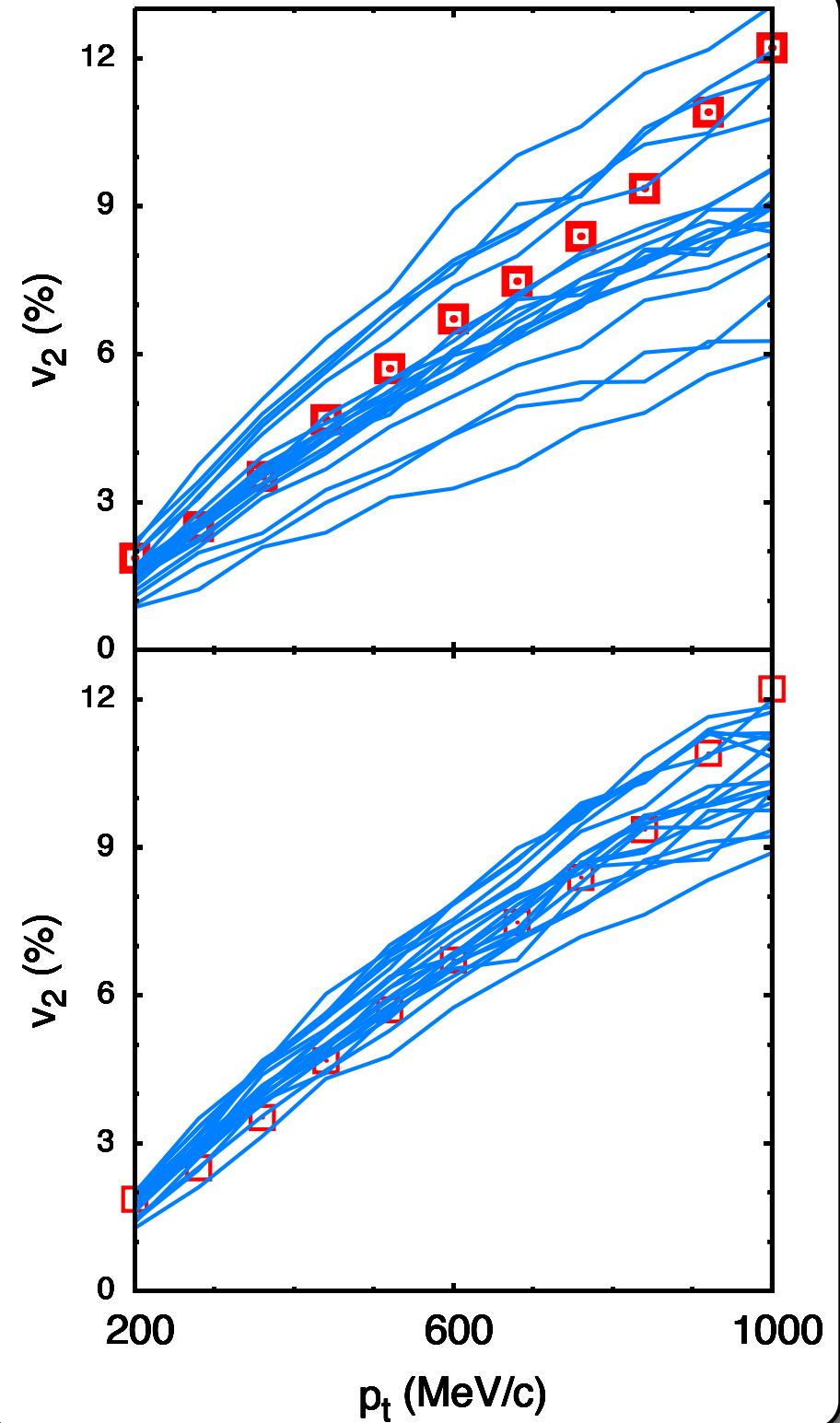
# Sample Spectra from Prior and Posterior



# Sample HBT from Prior and Posterior

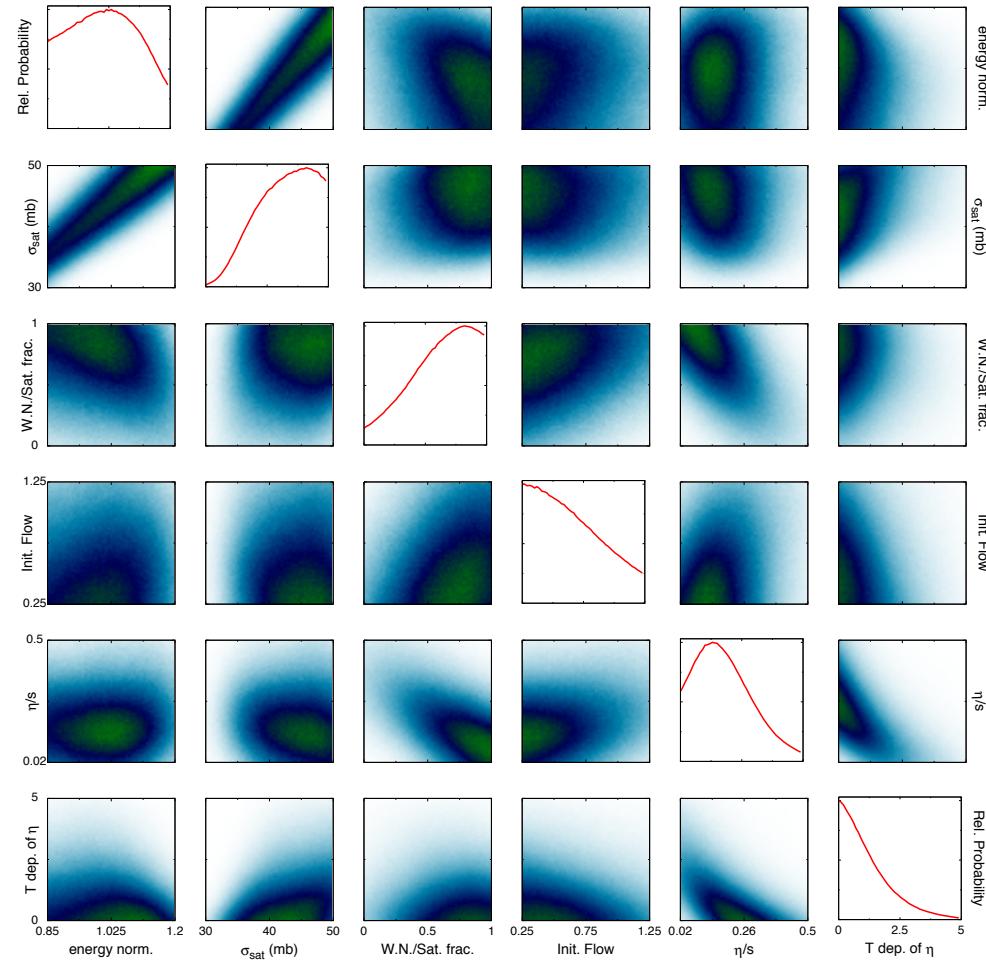


# Sample $v_2$ from Prior and Posterior

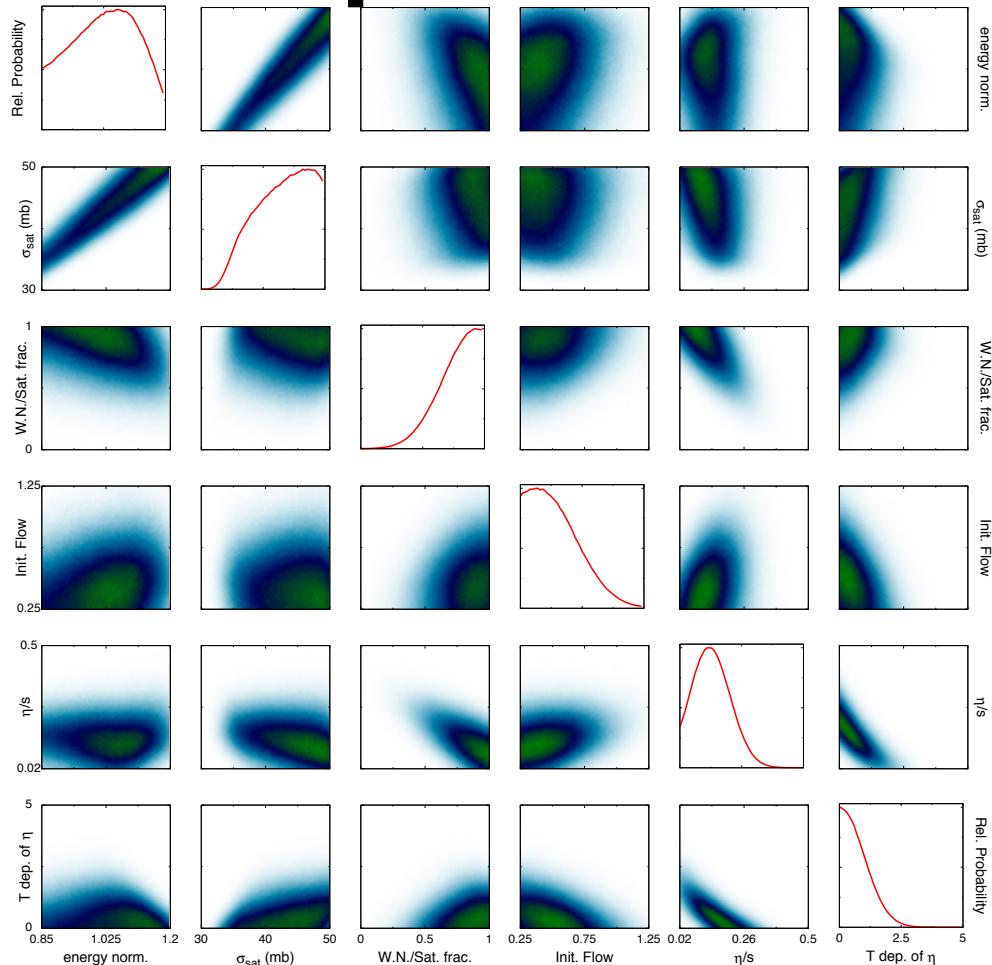


# Sensitivity to Uncertainties

**Pessimistic**



**Optimistic**



# **Proof of Principle was successful**

- **Robust, Repeatable**
- **Emulation works splendidly**
- **Method scales well to more parameters & more data**

# **Numerical Requirements for 10-20 parameters**

- **Run Code for 2000 points in parameter space**
- **20 impact parameters / beam energies / A+B**
- **400 fluctuations × 100 cascade events**  
**=40,000 cascade events & 400 hydro runs**  
**for each x, b, A+B, E/A...**
- **$1.6 \times 10^9$  cascade runs,  $1.6 \times 10^7$  hydro runs**

# Numerical Requirements

- **10,000 CPU days for cascade if 0.5 seconds/event (perform example run)**
- **40,000 CPU days for hydro if 5 minutes/event**
- **Important to optimize for multi-core / GPU**
- **Storage  $\sim 2 \text{ MB/event} \Rightarrow 5 \text{ PB}$**   
**Is it cheaper to regenerate cascade data?**
- **Not trivial, but tractable**
- **Inefficient codes/coding wastes many \$€£¥...**

# **Modular Modeling**

- **Initial Condition (parametric)**  
**fully 3D, non-zero baryon number**  
**3D dynamical models still in flux**
- **Viscous 3D Hydro**
- **Hadron Cascade**
- **HBT / EM / Jets after-burners**
- **Statistical Analysis**

# **Physics (Soft) To-Do List**

- **I.C.** → **Much to Do for 3D/non-zero B**
- **Hydro** → **seamless approach for 3D &  $B \neq 0$  for  $5 \text{ GeV} < E/A < 14 \text{ TeV}$**
- **Cascade** →  **$\pi$  Bose factors, baryon annihilation, non-equilibrium hadronization, absorption into hydro region, viscous corrections, mean field, consistent time delays**
- **HBT** → **good shape**
- **EM** → **???**
- **Jets** → **???**

# Justifying the Approach

**STATS approach works because:**

- **Response to parameters is smooth**

**Parameterization of physics works because**

- **Israel-Steward Hydro is flexible**
  - handles wide variety of IC
  - Eq. of Motion mainly driven by cons. laws
- **Only modest sensitivity to IC**
- **Main physics assumptions:**
  - Components flow together in hydro
  - Close enough to Navier-Stokes so that relaxation to NS is justified
  - Hadronization is close to chem. equil. (aside from quark fugacities)