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**Towards the high pT  $v_2$  and open heavy flavor in AA using a pQCD+hydro approach** JIECHEN XU, MIKLOS GYULASSY, Columbia Univ  
— We present numerical results of the high  $p_T$  pion, open heavy flavor, and non-photon electron  $R_{AA}$  and  $v_2$  at RHIC and LHC from the new CUJET2.0 model, where the running coupling DGLV opacity series is coupled with 2+1D viscous hydrodynamical fluids. CUJET2.0 solved the “heavy quark energy loss puzzle” – the  $R_{AA}^{\pi,D,e^-}(p_T)$  computed from this model is highly consistent with existing data – and it predicts a robust crossing between  $R_{AA}^{\pi,D}(p_T)$  and  $R_{AA}^B(p_T)$ . We find that within CUJET2.0, the 50% underestimate of  $v_2^\pi(p_T)$  at both RHIC and LHC can be accounted for by relaxing the assumption that  $\alpha_{max}$ , an assumed upper bound of the running coupling in the infrared, is independent of the local temperature field and allowing as small as 10% enhancement of the path averaged  $\alpha_{max}$  from in-plane to out-of-plane paths. We speculate the origin of such variations and provide predictions of  $v_2^{D,B,e^-}(p_T > 5)$  from CUJET2.0 as future tests to help elucidating this “tricky azimuthal dependence” of jet quenching seen at RHIC and LHC. (Reference: J. Xu, A. Buzzatti, and M. Gyulassy, “Azimuthal Jet Flavor Tomography with CUJET2.0 of Nuclear Collisions at RHIC and LHC”, arXiv:1402.2956. To appear in JHEP. )

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