




Interplay between core and corona components in high-energy nuclear collisions

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We establish the updated version of dynamical core-corona initialization framework (DCCI2) as a unified description from small to large colliding systems and from low- to high-transverse-momentum (p_T) regions. Using DCCI2, we investigate effects of interplay between locally equilibrated and nonequilibrated systems, in other words, core and corona components in high-energy nuclear collisions. Given experimental multiplicity distributions and yield ratios of Ω baryons to charged pions as inputs, we extract the fraction of core and corona components in $p + p$ collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV and Pb + Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV. We find core contribution overtakes corona contribution as increasing multiplicity above $\langle dN_{ch}/d\eta \rangle_{|\eta| < 0.5} \approx 18$ regardless of the collision system or energy. We also see that the core contribution exceeds the corona contribution only in 0.0–0.95% multiplicity class in $p + p$ collisions. Notably, there is a small enhancement of corona contribution with $\approx 20\%$ below $p_T \approx 1$ GeV even in minimum bias Pb + Pb collisions. We find that the corona contribution at low p_T gives $\approx 15\text{--}30\%$ correction on $v_2\{2\}$ at $N_{ch} \lesssim 370$. This raises a problem in conventional hydrodynamic analyses in which low- p_T soft hadrons originate solely from core components. We finally scrutinize the roles of string fragmentation and the longitudinal expansion in the transverse energy per unit rapidity, which is crucial in initial conditions for hydrodynamics from event generators based on string models.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Quark-gluon plasma (QGP) is a state of thermalized and chemically equilibrated matter consisting of quarks and gluons deconfined from hadrons at extremely high temperature and density. High-energy nuclear collision experiments in the Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider (RHIC) at Brookhaven National Laboratory and at the Large Hadron Collider (LHC) in CERN provide opportunities to explore properties of the extreme state.

Relativistic hydrodynamics is proven to successfully describe experimental data of relativistic heavy-ion collisions since the first discovery of hydrodynamic behavior of the QGP in the early 2000s [1–4]. Since final observables reflect all the history of the reaction, it is of significant importance to model each stage of the reaction and to integrate these modules as a whole in a consistent way toward a further comprehensive understanding of the QGP [5]. In particular, modeling of initial pre-equilibrium and final decoupling stages is needed in addition to a relativistic hydrodynamic model as a framework to describe transient states. Notably, there are some attempts to constrain transport coefficients of the QGP by using state-of-the-art dynamical models based on relativistic hydrodynamics [6–9]. As one sees from this, the QGP study is in the middle of a transition to precision science.

Despite the great success of dynamical models based on relativistic hydrodynamics in describing a vast body of experimental data, it poses some open issues for a comprehensive description of the whole reaction in high-energy nuclear collisions. One of the major issues is an initial condition of relativistic hydrodynamic equations which does not respect the total energy of the colliding systems. Initial conditions have been parametrized and put to reproduce centrality dependence of multiplicity or pseudorapidity distributions in a conventional hydrodynamic approach. As a result, the total energy of the initial hydrodynamic fields does not exactly match the collision energy of the system. Even when some outputs from event generators with a given collision system and energy are utilized for initial conditions in hydrodynamic models, an additional scale parameter is commonly introduced to adjust the model outputs of multiplicity. One might not think it is necessary for the energy of the initial hydrodynamic fields to be the same as the total energy of the system. This is exactly a starting point of our discussion in a series of papers [10–12]: The relativistic hydrodynamics merely describes a part of system, namely matter in local equilibrium, while other parts of the system such as propagating jets and matter out of equilibrium are to be described at the same time.

First attempts of simultaneous description of both the QGP fluids in equilibrium and the energetic partons out of equilibrium had been made in Refs. [13–17].¹ Initial conditions

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¹Note that the very first study to utilize the hydrodynamic solutions in quantitative analysis of parton energy loss was done in Ref. [18].

in those studies were still either parametrized via an optical Glauber model [19] or taken from a saturation model [20–23] so as to reproduce yields of low- p_T hadrons, while hard partons which undergo energy loss during traversing QGP fluids were supplemented to successfully reproduce the hadron spectra from low- to high- p_T regions [13,15,17]. It was found that an intriguing interplay between soft and hard components brought ones to interpretation of the proton yield anomaly in p_T spectra [15]. However, the model lacked back reactions from quenching partons to the QGP fluids and a contribution from fragmentation was cut in low- p_T regions, both of which obviously violate the energy-momentum conservation law.

Medium responses to propagating energetic partons have been modeled within hydrodynamic equations with source terms by assuming the instantaneous equilibration of the deposited energy and momentum from partons [24–38]. Within this approach, the sum of the energy and momentum of fluids and those of traversing partons is conserved as a whole. However, it is not clear how to divide the initial system just after the collision into soft (fluids in equilibrium) and hard (partons out of equilibrium) parts.

To remedy this issue, a dynamical initialization model [10] was proposed to describe the dynamics of gradually forming QGP fluids phenomenologically.² In contrast to the conventional hydrodynamic models in which initial conditions are put at a fixed initial time, the QGP fluids are generated locally in time and space in the dynamical initialization framework. Under this framework, all the input of energy and momentum of QGP fluids is the one of partons produced just after the nuclear collisions. Starting with vacuum, energy and momentum of the QGP fluids are dynamically generated by solving hydrodynamic equations with source terms. Consequently, fluids in local equilibrium are generated from the initial partons by depositing the energy and the momentum and surviving partons are considered to remain out of equilibrium. When initial partons are taken, e.g., from event generators, the total energy keeps its value of the colliding two nuclei all the way through the dynamical initialization. Although we successfully separated matter in local equilibrium from initially produced partons in the dynamical initialization framework [10], the fluidization scheme was too simple and phenomenological to describe the transverse momentum spectra and the particle ratios. Then we introduced the core-corona picture into the dynamical initialization.

The conventional core-corona picture was proposed to explain centrality dependence of strange hadron yield ratios [41]. As multiplicity increases, the high-density region, in which the matter is mostly thermalized, is supposed to become larger. As a result, the final hadron yields become dominated by the hadrons from thermalized matter rather than nonthermalized matter created in low-density regions. The former component is referred to as core, while the latter one is referred to as corona.

A Monte Carlo event generator, Energy conserving quantum mechanical multiple scattering approach based on Partons (parton ladders), Off-shell remnants, Splitting of parton ladders (EPOS) [42–44], is widely accepted for its implementation of the core-corona picture. In the latest study in Refs. [45,46], string segments produced in a collision are separated sharply into the core and the corona components depending on their density and transverse momentum at a fixed time. Low- p_T string segments in dense regions are fully converted into the thermalized medium fluid, while string segments with high momentum or dilute regions are directly hadronized.

On the other hand, we model the dynamical aspects of the core-corona separation introducing the particle density dependence of the dynamical initialization scheme, which is called the *dynamical core-corona initialization* (DCCI) [11,12].³ One of the key features of the DCCI is to deal with dynamics of the core (equilibrium) and the corona (nonequilibrium) at the same time. With the description of the dynamics, gradual formation of core and corona in spatial and momentum space is achieved. In the DCCI framework, the multiplicity dependence of the hadron yield ratios of multistrange baryons to pions from small to large colliding systems in a wide range of collision energy is attributed to a continuous change of the fractions of the core and the corona components as multiplicity increases [11,12]. It should be noted here that the “corona” is referred not only to an outer layer in the coordinate space but also to the one in the momentum space: The lower p_T partons are more likely to deposit their energy and momentum to form the fluids and the higher- p_T partons are less likely to be equilibrated during the DCCI processes.

In this paper, we update the DCCI framework toward a more comprehensive description of dynamics in full phase space from small to large colliding systems in a unified manner. Hereafter we call this updated DCCI the *DCCI2*. In comparison with the previous work [11,12], several crucial updates have been made in this new version, including a more sophisticated formula for four-momentum deposition of initial partons, particlization of the fluids on the switching hypersurface through a Monte Carlo sampler iS3D [47], hadronic rescatterings through a hadron cascade model JAM [48], and modification of structure of color strings inside the fluids. With these updates, the DCCI2 is capable of describing high-energy nuclear collisions from low- to high- p_T regions with particle identification in various colliding systems.

We generate initial partons from a general-purpose event generator PYTHIA8 [49,50] switching off hadronization and make all of them sources of both the core and the corona parts. Here a special emphasis is put on to discriminate between the two terms, “soft-hard” and “core-corona.” We call the core when it composes the matter in equilibrium. In DCCI2, the fluids generated through the dynamical initialization correspond to the core part and hadrons particlized on switching

²Dynamical initialization is essential in describing the formation of fluids in lower collision energies in which secondary hadrons are gradually produced in finite time duration due to insufficient Lorentz contraction of colliding nuclei [39,40].

³In fact, this idea was first implemented in Ref. [40] to describe excitation functions of particle ratios at lower collision energies. However, it was applied to the secondary produced hadrons rather than partons.

hypersurface are regarded as the core components. On the other hand, we call the corona when it composes matter completely out of equilibrium. In DCCI2, partons in the dilute regions and/or surviving even through the dynamical initialization correspond to the corona part, and hadrons from string decays are regarded as the corona components. Although the core (corona) component is sometimes identified with the soft (hard) component, it is not the case in the DCCI2: The hadrons from string fragmentation are distributed all the way down to the very low- p_T region, which one cannot consider as “hard” components. To the best of our knowledge, it has been believed so far without any strong justification that the corona components would be negligible in the low- p_T region in heavy-ion collisions. In this paper, we scrutinize the size of the contribution from the corona components in soft observables (“soft-from-corona”) and how the fraction of the corona components evolves as multiplicity increases.

One of the main interests in this field is to constrain the transport coefficients of the QGP through the hydrodynamic analysis of anisotropic flow data in low- p_T regions. It is conventionally assumed that the low- p_T hadrons are completely dominated by the core components. What if the corona components, whose contribution is often considered to be very small, affect the bulk observables in heavy-ion collisions? The nonequilibrium contribution is at most taken through small corrections to thermodynamic quantities such as shear stress and bulk pressure. The corona partons obey nonequilibrium distributions which are, in general, far from equilibrium distributions. While one deals with merely a small deviation from equilibrium distributions through the dissipative corrections from the point of view of the gradient expansion in hydrodynamic framework. Thus the corona components are more important than the dissipative corrections in hydrodynamic analysis when the amount of corona components is non-negligible. Thus, dynamical modeling containing the core-corona picture could become the next-generation model inevitably needed for the precision study of the QGP properties.

The present paper is organized as follow: We explain details about the DCCI2 model in Sec. II. Staring from the general idea of dynamical initialization and the dynamical core-corona initialization, we discuss some new features in the DCCI2 model. In Sec. III, we show the results from the DCCI2 model in $p + p$ and Pb + Pb collisions at the LHC energies. We also discuss the effects of string fragmentation and the longitudinal hydrodynamic expansion on the transverse energy per unit rapidity which play a crucial role in modeling hydrodynamic initial conditions. Section IV is devoted to the summary of the present paper.

Throughout this paper, we use the natural unit, $\hbar = c = k_B = 1$, and the Minkowski metric, $g_{\mu\nu} = \text{diag}(1, -1, -1, -1)$.

II. MODEL

The DCCI2 framework as a multistage dynamical model describes high-energy nuclear reactions from $p + p$ to $A + A$ collisions. Before going into the details of the modeling of each stage, we briefly summarize the entire model flow of the DCCI2 framework.

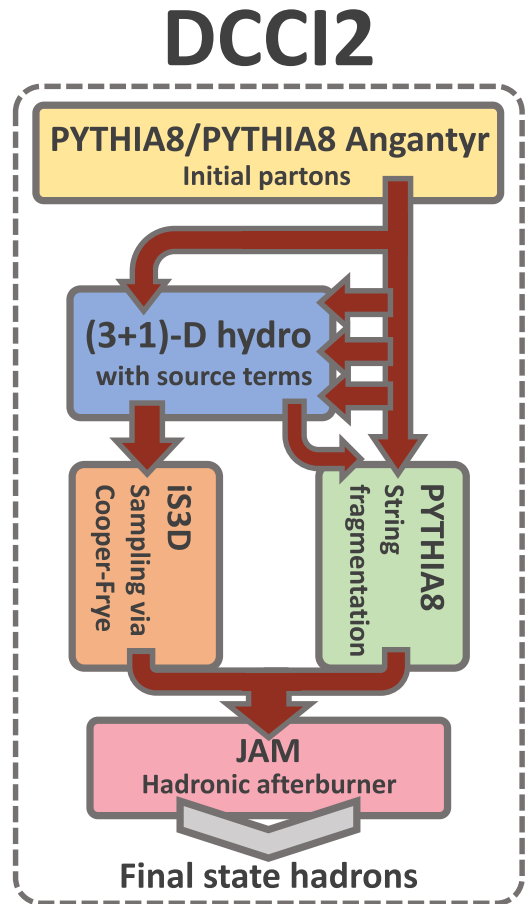


FIG. 1. Flowchart of the DCCI2 framework.

Figure 1 represents the flowchart of the DCCI2 framework. First, we obtain event-by-event phase-space distributions of initial partons produced just after the first contact of incoming nuclei using PYTHIA8.244 or its heavy-ion mode, the Angantyr model [49,50]. Hereafter, we call PYTHIA8 and PYTHIA8 Angantyr, respectively. Those initial partons are assumed to be generated at a formation time, τ_0 . Under the dynamical initialization framework, the QGP fluids are generated via energy-momentum deposition from those initial partons by solving the relativistic hydrodynamic equations with source terms from $\tau = \tau_0$ to the end of the hydrodynamic evolution. The energy-momentum deposition rate of partons is formulated based on the dynamical core-corona picture. Partons which experience sufficient secondary interactions with surrounding partons are likely to deposit their energy and momentum and form QGP fluids. In contrast, partons that do not experience such sufficient secondary interactions give less contribution to the medium formation. Hydrodynamic simulations are performed in the $(3 + 1)$ -dimensional Milne coordinates incorporating the $s95p-v1.1$ [51] equation of state (EoS). In the original $s95p-v1$, an EoS of the $(2 + 1)$ -flavor lattice QCD at high temperature from HotQCD Collaboration [52] is smoothly connected to that from a hadron resonance gas, whose list is taken from the Particle Data Group as of 2004 [53], at low temperature. The particular version of EoS, $s95p-v1.1$, which we employ in the present calculations, is

tuned to match the EoS of the hadron resonance gas with the resonances implemented in a hadronic cascade model, JAM, below a temperature of 184 MeV. The fluid elements below the switching temperature T_{sw} can be regarded as hadron gases whose evolution is described by the hadronic cascade model to be mentioned later. Once the temperature of the fluid element goes down to $T(x) = T_{sw}$, we switch the description from hydrodynamics to hadronic transport. For the switch of the description, we use a Monte Carlo sampler, IS3D [47], to convert hydrodynamic fields at the switching hypersurface to particles, which we call direct hadrons, in the EoS by sampling based on the Cooper-Frye formula [54]. Hadronization of nonequilibrated partons is performed by the string fragmentation in PYTHIA8. When a color string connecting partons from PYTHIA8 has a spatial overlap with the medium fluid, we assume that the string is cut and reconnected to partons sampled from the medium due to the screening effect of the medium. The direct hadrons obtained from both PYTHIA8 and IS3D are handed to the hadronic cascade model, JAM [48], to perform hadronic rescatterings among them and resonance decays. In the following subsections, we explain the details of each stage.

A. Generating initial partons

The initially produced partons, i.e., all partons we use as an input of dynamical initialization, are obtained with PYTHIA8 or PYTHIA8 Angantyr. Here we summarize settings that we use to generate initial partons:

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PartonVertex:setVertex=on
HadronLevel:all=off
MultipartonInteractions:pT0Ref
SpaceShower:pT0Ref
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We basically use the default settings in PYTHIA8 and PYTHIA8 Angantyr to obtain phase-space distributions of partons except the two parameters, `MultipartonInteractions:pT0Ref` and `SpaceShower:pT0Ref`. These parameters regularize cross sections of multiparton interactions and infrared QCD emissions [55]. The same value of p_{T0Ref} is used for the both parameters just for simplicity. Detailed discussion is given in Sec. III E.

The information of color strings is given by PYTHIA8 and PYTHIA8 Angantyr besides phase-space information. In order to respect the configuration of initially produced color strings, we keep this information for dynamical core-corona initialization. Technically speaking, color and anticolor tags are given to each parton so that one is able to see the configuration of the color strings by tracing the tags. Note that if there exist junctions, which are Y-shaped objects that three string pieces are converged, then we keep this information as well to trace all strings generated in the event.

Eventually, we obtain a particle list for each event, including particle IDs, phase-space information, and color and anticolor tags. Junctions are added to the particle list if they exist in the event. For heavy-ion collisions obtained with PYTHIA8 Angantyr, weighted events are generated [56]: The impact parameter is distributed in a way that more central collisions and fewer peripheral collisions are generated than

in the minimum bias cases. The corresponding weights are stored to be used in statistical analysis.

B. Dynamical initialization

We phenomenologically and dynamically describe the initial stage of high-energy nuclear collisions through *dynamical initialization*. Just after the first contact of incoming nuclei or nucleons, quarks and gluons are produced through hard scatterings or initial or final state radiations. Subsequently, some of those initially produced partons experience the secondary scatterings and contribute to forming the equilibrated matter. On the other hand, partons that do not experience the interactions and partons surviving even after the secondary interactions contribute as the nonequilibrated matter.

To describe this stage, we start from the continuity equations of the entire system generated in a single collision event,

$$\partial_\mu T_{\text{tot}}^{\mu\nu}(x) = 0. \quad (1)$$

If we assume that the entire system can be decomposed into equilibrated matter (fluids) and nonequilibrated matter (partons), then Eq. (1) can be written as

$$\partial_\mu T_{\text{tot}}^{\mu\nu}(x) = \partial_\mu [T_{\text{fluids}}^{\mu\nu}(x) + T_{\text{partons}}^{\mu\nu}(x)] = 0, \quad (2)$$

where $T_{\text{fluids}}^{\mu\nu}$ and $T_{\text{partons}}^{\mu\nu}$ are energy-momentum tensors of equilibrated matter (fluids) and nonequilibrated matter (partons), respectively. Then the space-time evolution of fluids can be expressed as a form of hydrodynamic equations with source terms

$$\partial_\mu T_{\text{fluids}}^{\mu\nu}(x) = J^\nu(x), \quad (3)$$

where the source terms are written as

$$J^\nu = -\partial_\mu T_{\text{partons}}^{\mu\nu}. \quad (4)$$

Here we assume the energy and momentum deposited from nonequilibrated partons instantly reach a state under local thermal and chemical equilibrium.

The exact form of the source terms is obtained by defining phase-space distributions and kinematics of initial partons [12]. For the phase-space distributions, we assume

$$f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}; t) d^3x d^3p = \sum_i G[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i(t)] \delta^{(3)}[\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}_i(t)] d^3x d^3p, \quad (5)$$

where $G[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i(t)]$ is a three-dimensional Gaussian distribution centered at a position of the i th parton, $\mathbf{x}_i(t)$, generated in one single event. We assume that each parton traverses along a straight trajectory. Under this assumption, the position of a parton at an arbitrary time is obtained as

$$\mathbf{x}_i(t) = \frac{\mathbf{p}_i(t)}{p_i^0(t)} (t - t_{\text{form},i}) + \mathbf{x}_{\text{form},i}, \quad (6)$$

where $t_{\text{form},i}$ and $\mathbf{x}_{\text{form},i}$ are a formation time and a formation position, respectively. The i th parton is assumed to be formed at a common proper time, $\tau = \tau_0$. With these assumptions, the explicit form of the source terms in Eq. (4) is obtained

as [12]

$$\begin{aligned}
J^{\nu} &= -\partial_{\mu} T_{\text{partons}}^{\mu\nu} \\
&= -\sum_i \int d^3 p \frac{p^{\mu} p^{\nu}}{p^0} \partial_{\mu} f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}; t) \\
&= -\sum_i \frac{d p_i^{\nu}(t)}{dt} G[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i(t)]. \quad (7)
\end{aligned}$$

As one reads from the last line of Eq. (7), the source terms of fluids are described as a summation of deposited energy and momentum of initial partons.

Space-time evolution of fluids is described by ideal hydrodynamics. This does not mean we do not describe any nonequilibrium components within DCCI2: Dissipative hydrodynamics deals only with small nonequilibrium corrections to equilibrium components, while the corona components, which are far from equilibrium, are taken into account in DCCI2. By neglecting dissipative terms for simplicity, energy-momentum tensor of fluids is expressed as

$$T_{\text{fluids}}^{\mu\nu} = (e + P)u^{\mu}u^{\nu} - P g^{\mu\nu}, \quad (8)$$

where e , P , and u^{μ} are energy density, hydrostatic pressure, and four-velocity of fluids, respectively. In this study, we do not solve conserved charges such as baryon number, strangeness, and electric charges. It would be interesting to investigate them considering the initial distribution of the charges [57,58].

As we mentioned at the beginning of this section, we perform actual hydrodynamic simulations in the (3+1)-dimensional Milne coordinates, $\tau = \sqrt{t^2 - z^2}$, $\mathbf{x}_{\perp} = (x, y)$, and $\eta_s = (1/2) \ln [(t+z)/(t-z)]$. In this case, the Gaussian distribution in Eq. (5) is replaced with

$$\begin{aligned}
&G(\mathbf{x}_{\perp} - \mathbf{x}_{\perp,i}, \eta_s - \eta_{s,i}) d^2 x_{\perp} \tau d\eta_s \\
&= \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_{\perp}^2} \exp\left[-\frac{(\mathbf{x}_{\perp} - \mathbf{x}_{\perp,i})^2}{2\sigma_{\perp}^2}\right] \\
&\times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_{\eta_s}^2\tau^2}} \exp\left[-\frac{(\eta_s - \eta_{s,i})^2}{2\sigma_{\eta_s}^2}\right] d^2 x_{\perp} \tau d\eta_s, \quad (9)
\end{aligned}$$

where σ_{\perp} and σ_{η_s} are transverse and longitudinal widths of the Gaussian distribution, respectively. In the longitudinal direction, a straight trajectory implies $\eta_{s,i} = y_{p,i}$, where $\eta_{s,i} = (1/2) \ln [(t+z_i)/(t-z_i)]$ and $y_{p,i} = (1/2) \ln [(E_i + p_{z,i})/(E_i - p_{z,i})]$ are space-time rapidity and momentum rapidity of the i th parton, respectively. In the following, we show some formulas in the Cartesian coordinates to avoid the complex representation of them. In any case, all the hydrodynamic simulations are performed in the Milne coordinates.

C. Dynamical core-corona initialization

We establish the dynamical aspect of core-corona picture by modeling the four-momentum deposition of partons $d p_i^{\mu}(t)/dt$ in Eq. (7) as an extension of the conventional core-corona picture. The dynamical aspect of the core-corona picture, which we are going to model, is as follows: Partons

which are to experience sufficient secondary scatterings with others are likely to deposit their energy-momentum and form equilibrated matter (QGP fluids), while partons which are to rarely interact with others are likely to be free from depositing their energy and momentum. To model the dynamical energy-momentum deposition under the core-corona picture, we invoke the equation of motion with a drag force caused by microscopic interactions with other particles.

We define the four-momentum deposition rate of the i th parton generated initially at a comoving frame along $\eta_{s,i} = y_{p,i}$, space-time rapidity of the i th parton, as

$$\frac{d\tilde{p}_i^{\mu}}{d\tau} = -\sum_j^{\text{coll}} \sigma_{ij} \tilde{\rho}_{ij} |\tilde{v}_{\text{rel},ij}| \tilde{p}_i^{\mu}, \quad (10)$$

where σ_{ij} is a cross section of the collision between the i th and j th partons, $\tilde{\rho}_{ij}$ is an effective density of the j th parton seen from the i th parton which is normalized to be unity, $|\tilde{v}_{\text{rel},ij}|$ is relative velocity between the i th and the j th partons. Variables with tilde are defined at each comoving frame along $\eta_{s,i}$. The Lorentz transformation from laboratory frame to a comoving frame along $\eta_{s,i}$ is given as

$$\Lambda_{\nu}^{\mu}(\eta_{s,i}) = \begin{pmatrix} \cosh \eta_{s,i} & 0 & 0 & -\sinh \eta_{s,i} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sinh \eta_{s,i} & 0 & 0 & \cosh \eta_{s,i} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (11)$$

The summation in Eq. (10) is taken for all partons with nonzero energy that the i th parton will collide. The candidate partons include not only initially produced ones but also ones in the thermalized medium. We explain details on the treatment to pick up the thermalized partons in Sec. IID. We employ an algorithm [59] to evaluate the number of partonic scatterings that a parton undergoes along its trajectory. Under the geometrical interpretation of cross sections, two partons, i and j , are supposed to collide when the closest distance of them is smaller than $\sqrt{\sigma_{ij}/\pi}$ where σ_{ij} is the same variable used in Eq. (10). The cross section σ_{ij} is defined as

$$\sigma_{ij} = \min \left\{ \frac{\sigma_0}{s_{ij}/\text{GeV}^2}, \pi b_{\text{cut}}^2 \right\}, \quad (12)$$

where σ_0 is a parameter with a dimension of area, s_{ij} is a Mandelstam variable $s_{ij} = (\tilde{p}_i^{\mu} + \tilde{p}_j^{\mu})^2$, and b_{cut} is a parameter to avoid infrared divergence of the cross section when s_{ij} becomes too small. We neglect possible color Casimir factors in the cross section, and this parametrization is applied for all quarks, antiquarks, and gluons. It should be emphasized that this energy dependence of the cross section captures the core-corona picture in the *momentum* space: The rare and the high-energy partons are not likely to deposit the four-momentum during the dynamical initialization process.

The effective density of the j th parton that is seen from the position of the i th one is defined as follows. The value of

Gaussian distribution centered at $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_j$ is obtained at $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i$,

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\rho}_{ij} &= G(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\perp}, \tilde{\eta}_s; \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\perp,j}, \tilde{\eta}_{s,j})|_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\perp}=\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\perp,i}, \tilde{\eta}_s=\tilde{\eta}_{s,i}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi\tilde{\sigma}_{\perp}^2} \exp\left[-\frac{(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\perp,i} - \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\perp,j})^2}{2\tilde{\sigma}_{\perp}^2}\right] \\ &\quad \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\tilde{\sigma}_{\eta_s}^2\tau^2}} \exp\left[-\frac{(\tilde{\eta}_{s,i} - \tilde{\eta}_{s,j})^2}{2\tilde{\sigma}_{\eta_s}^2}\right]. \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

Note that $\tilde{\eta}_{s,i} - \tilde{\eta}_{s,j} = \eta_{s,i} - \eta_{s,j}$, $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\perp,i} = \mathbf{x}_{\perp,i}$, $\tilde{\sigma}_{\perp} = \sigma_{\perp}$, and $\tilde{\sigma}_{\eta_s} = \sigma_{\eta_s}$. The relative velocity is calculated as

$$|\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_{\text{rel},ij}| = \left| \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_i}{\tilde{p}_i^0} - \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_j}{\tilde{p}_j^0} \right|. \quad (14)$$

As a consequence of the modeling for the four-momentum deposition rate, initial partons traversing dense regions with low energy and momentum tend to deposit their energy and momentum and generate QGP fluids. On the other hand, initial partons traversing dilute regions with high energy tend to relatively keep their initial energy and momentum. Here the factor $\sum_j^{\text{coll}} \sigma_{ij} \tilde{\rho}_{ij} |\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_{\text{rel},ij}| d\tau$ can be regarded as the number of scattering that the i th parton experiences during $d\tau$.

During the DCCI processes, we monitor the change of the invariant mass of a string which is composed of the color-singlet combination of initial partons provided by PYTHIA8. It should be noted that once the invariant mass of a string becomes smaller than a threshold to be hadronized via string fragmentation in PYTHIA8, energy and momentum of all the partons that compose the string are dumped into fluids. In this model, we use $m_{\text{th}} = m_1 + m_2 + 1.0$ in units of GeV for the threshold, where m_1 and m_2 are masses of each parton at both ends of the string.

We emphasize here that the formulation of the four-momentum deposition rate of a parton is largely sophisticated from the one introduced in the previous work [12] although the basic concept of the core-corona picture is the same in both cases. Under the previous work, there was a problem that high p_T partons suffer from unexpected large suppression even in $p + p$ collisions. The reason is that, since partons in parton showers in a high p_T jet are collimated and close to each other in both coordinate and momentum spaces, they had to deposit large four-momentum in our previous prescription in which only density and transverse momentum of the i th parton are taken into account [12]. This problem is reconciled in this sophisticated modeling by considering trajectories of partons and relative velocities of parton pairs $|\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_{\text{rel},ij}|$. Since trajectories of shower partons in a jet are supposed not to cross each other, the four-momentum deposition due to collisions among the shower partons is not likely to be counted in the summation in Eq. (10). Even if one consider trajectories of shower partons at the early time of dynamical core-corona initialization, they are close in space-time coordinates and would unreasonably deposit their four-momentum. The relative velocity avoids this issue because shower partons are supposed to have small relative velocities. Thus, because of the two factors, the dynamical core-corona initialization with Eq. (10) does not cause the unreasonable four-momentum deposition for partons in jets in DCCI2.

D. Sampling of thermalized partons

As we mentioned in the previous subsection, the summation in the right-hand side of Eq. (10) is taken for all partons in the system, including not only initially produced partons but also thermalized partons which are constituents of the QGP fluids. This enables one to consider the four-momentum deposition due to scatterings with thermalized partons while traversing in the medium. In order to consider the scatterings with thermalized partons, which are described by hydrodynamics, we sample partons from all fluid elements and obtain phase-space distributions of them at each time step.

Although we employ the lattice EoS, we make a massless ideal gas approximation on fluid elements for simplicity. In this approximation, the number density of partons in a fluid element can be estimated as

$$n = \frac{90d'\zeta(3)}{4\pi^4 d} s_{\text{EoS}}(T), \quad (15)$$

where $s_{\text{EoS}}(T)$ is the entropy density obtained from the EoS via temperature T at the fluid element. The effective degeneracies of the QGP, d and d' , are defined as

$$d = d_F \times \frac{7}{8} + d_B, \quad (16)$$

$$d' = d_F \times \frac{3}{4} + d_B. \quad (17)$$

The factors $\frac{7}{8}$ in Eq. (16) and $\frac{3}{4}$ in Eq. (17) originate from differences between Fermi-Dirac and Bose-Einstein statistics in the entropy density and the number density. The degrees of freedom of fermion d_F and boson d_B are obtains as

$$d_F = d_c \times d_f \times d_s \times d_{q\bar{q}} = 3 \times 3 \times 2 \times 2 = 36, \quad (18)$$

$$d_B = d_c \times d_s = 8 \times 2 = 16, \quad (19)$$

where d_c , d_f , d_s , and $d_{q\bar{q}}$ represent the degrees of freedom of color, flavor, spin, and particle-antiparticle, respectively.

The number of partons in a fluid element is then $\Delta N_0 = n\Delta x\Delta y\tau\Delta\eta_s$, where n is the number density of partons obtained in Eq. (15) and Δx , Δy , and $\Delta\eta_s$ are the widths of one fluid element in the Milne coordinates. One can interpret ΔN_0 as a mean value of Poisson distribution and sample the number of partons N with

$$P(N) = \exp(-\Delta N_0) \frac{\Delta N_0^N}{N!}. \quad (20)$$

For sampled N partons, we stochastically assign species of them. We pick up a quark or an antiquark with a probability,

$$P_{q/\bar{q}} = \frac{(3/4)d_F}{(3/4)d_F + d_B}, \quad (21)$$

which corresponds to a fraction of the degree of freedom of Fermi particles, while a gluon is picked up with a probability,

$$P_g = 1 - P_{q/\bar{q}}. \quad (22)$$

The three-dimensional momentum \mathbf{k} of (anti-)quarks or gluons in the local rest frame of the fluid element is assigned according to the normalized massless Fermi or Bose distribution,

$$P(\mathbf{k})d^3k = \frac{1}{N_{\text{nom}}} \frac{1}{\exp(k/T) \mp_{\text{B,F}} 1} d^3k, \quad (23)$$

where N_{nom} is a normalization factor, T is temperature of the fluid element, and $\mp_{B,F}$ is a sign for Bose ($-$) and Fermi ($+$) statistics. Then the energy and momentum in the laboratory frame is obtained by performing Lorentz transformation on $k^\mu = (|\mathbf{k}|, \mathbf{k})$ with the velocity of the fluid element.

Space coordinates are assigned with a uniform distribution within each fluid element. For partons sampled from a fluid element centered at $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_i = (x_i, y_i, \eta_{s,i})$, where the index i stands for the numbering of fluid elements, we assign their coordinates with

$$P_{\text{uni}}(\mathbf{x})\tau \Delta x \Delta y \Delta \eta_s = \begin{cases} 0 & (\mathbf{x} < \mathbf{x}_i - \Delta \mathbf{x}/2, \mathbf{x}_i + \Delta \mathbf{x}/2 < \mathbf{x}) \\ 1 & (\mathbf{x}_i - \Delta \mathbf{x}/2 \leq \mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{x}_i + \Delta \mathbf{x}/2) \end{cases} \quad (24)$$

As discussed in this subsection, the four-momentum deposition caused by collisions between a traversing parton as a corona part and thermalized partons as core parts could be regarded as a toy model of jet quenching. We note that, although the implementation of a more sophisticated jet-quenching mechanism is the future work, the energy loss of traversing partons in the medium is phenomenologically introduced via the dynamical core-corona initialization in Eq. (10).

E. Modification of color strings

The Lund string model is based on a linear confinement picture of color degree of freedom [49,60]. Energy stored between a quark and an antiquark linearly increases with the separation length of the quark and antiquark in the vacuum. However, this picture should be modified if we put them into the QGP at finite temperature. It is known that, at high temperature, the string tension becomes so small that color strings would disappear [61]. Since our input is initially produced partons connected with color strings and we generate fluids through their energy-momentum depositions, some color strings should overlap with the fluids in the coordinate space. We phenomenologically incorporate the modification of the color string configuration due to the finite temperature effect in DCCI2.

At $\tau = \tau_s (> \tau_0)$, we assume that the string fragmentation happens when the entire color string is outside the fluids. Here ‘‘a color string’’ means chained partons as a color singlet object. When a color string is entirely inside the fluids at $\tau = \tau_s$, we discard the information of its color configuration and let its constituent partons evolve as individual nonequilibrated partons according to Eq. (6). If a color string is partly inside and partly outside the fluids, then the color string is subject to be cut off at the boundary of the fluids. The boundary here is identified with a contour of $T(x) = T_{\text{sw}}$. The color string in a vacuum cut off at the boundary is reattached to a thermal parton picked up from the hypersurface and forms a color-singlet object again to be hadronized via string fragmentation. The thermal parton is sampled in the hypersurface of the fluids. The details of the above treatment of color strings at $\tau = \tau_s$ are explained in Sec. II E 1. As for the rest of the color string left inside the fluids, we discard the information of its color configuration and let its constituent partons evolve as individual nonequilibrated partons likewise the above case.

During the evolution of the fluids, the individual nonequilibrated partons come out from the hypersurface at some point. We assume that such a parton forms parton pairs to become a color-singlet object by picking up a thermalized parton from the hypersurface of the fluids. This prescription is based on exactly the concept of the coalescence models [62–70]. We explain the parton-pairing treatment at $\tau > \tau_s$ in Sec. II E 2.

We perform the modification only for color strings in which the transverse momentum of all partons forming that color string is less than a cutoff parameter, $p_T < p_{T,\text{cut}}$, at $\tau = \tau_0$. Notice that this is merely a criterion of whether the modification of color string is performed and that all initially produced partons, including very high- p_T ones, nonetheless experience the dynamical core-corona initialization regardless of $p_{T,\text{cut}}$. This treatment avoids modification on p_T spectra of final hadrons generated from intermediate to high- p_T partons which would less interact with fluids rather than low- p_T partons. Since the modification on the structure of color strings sensitively affect the final hadron distribution in momentum space, we should make a more quantitative discussion on the parameter $p_{T,\text{cut}}$ as a future work.

It should also be noted that when we sample thermalized partons, energy and momentum are not subtracted from fluids just for simplicity.

1. String cutting at $\tau = \tau_s$

We find a crossing point between a color string and the hypersurface of the fluids by tracing partons chained as color strings one by one. Since PYTHIA8 and PYTHIA8 Angantyr give us information of structure of color strings, we respect the initially produced color flow.

At $\tau = \tau_s$, all initial partons are classified into four types: ‘‘hard’’ partons, dead partons inside fluids, surviving partons inside fluids, and partons outside fluids. We regard partons which is chained with at least one high $p_T (> p_{T,\text{cut}})$ parton as ‘‘hard’’ partons. We do not modify color strings composed of these hard partons to keep the initial color flow and hadronize them in a usual way discussed in Sec. II F. During dynamical core-corona initialization, some partons lose their initial energy completely inside fluids. We regard those partons as dead ones and remove them from a list of partons. These dead partons are no longer considered to be hadronized through string fragmentation. For the other partons, we check whether they are inside the fluids one by one and regard them as surviving partons if it is the case. These surviving partons are to be hadronized at $\tau > \tau_s$ if they have sufficient energy to come out from the fluids. This be explained later in Sec. II E 2. The rest of the partons are considered to be partons outside fluids. Since partons outside the fluids cannot form color-singlet strings by themselves, we need to cut the original color strings at crossing points between the hypersurfaces and the color strings by sampling thermal partons.

In the following, we explain how to find crossing points and how to sample thermal partons. We first assume that two adjacent partons in a color string, regardless of their status (dead, surviving, or outside fluids), are chained with linearly stretched color strings between the i th and the $(i+1)$ th partons in coordinate space. As a simple case,

suppose that $[T(\mathbf{x}_i) - T_{\text{sw}}][T(\mathbf{x}_{i+1}) - T_{\text{sw}}] < 0$, where $\mathbf{x}_i = (x_i, y_i, \eta_{s,i})$ and $\mathbf{x}_{i+1} = (x_{i+1}, y_{i+1}, \eta_{s,i+1})$ are the positions of the i th and the $(i+1)$ th partons, respectively, there exists a hypersurface of fluids between the i th and the $(i+1)$ th partons. We scan temperature at all fluid elements along the linearly stretched color string from the i th to the $(i+1)$ th parton to find a crossing point.

Once the crossing point is found, a thermalized parton is picked up to form a color-singlet string. The thermalized partons are sampled by using the information of the crossing point on the hypersurface such as velocity \mathbf{v}_{hyp} , temperature T_{hyp} , and coordinates \mathbf{x}_{hyp} , which are obtained by taking an average of that of two adjacent fluid elements crossing the hypersurface. For instance, if the two adjacent fluid elements (symbolically denoted as the j th and the $(j+1)$ th fluid element) have temperature $T_j > T_{\text{sw}}$ and $T_{j+1} < T_{\text{sw}}$, respectively, then the temperature at the crossing point is obtained as $T_{\text{hyp}} = (T_{j+1} + T_j)/2$. When the hypersurface of the fluids and the configuration of the color string are highly complicated, there could exist more than one crossing point between two adjacent partons. In such a case, we pick up a thermal parton from the closest crossing point for each parton in the string.

The species of the picked-up parton, whether if it is a quark, an antiquark, or a gluon, is fixed by the configuration of color strings. For a color string that has a quark and an antiquark at its ends, if string cutting removes the quark (antiquark) side of the color string, then an antiquark (a quark) is picked up from the crossing point to form a color-singlet string in the vacuum. When there is a color string that consists of two gluons while the only one of the gluons is inside of fluids, we pick up a gluon to make a color-singlet object. On the other hand, for color strings with more than two gluons and no quarks or antiquarks as their components, the so-called gluon loops, we cut the loop to open and pick up two gluons from the crossing points to make this a color-singlet object again.

A momentum of a picked-up parton is sampled with a normalized Fermi or Bose distribution,

$$P(\mathbf{p}; m)d^3p = \frac{1}{N_{\text{norm}}(m)} \frac{1}{\exp[\sqrt{\mathbf{p}^2 + m^2}/T_{\text{hyp}}] \pm_{\text{B,F}} 1} d^3p, \quad (25)$$

where

$$N_{\text{norm}}(m) = \int \frac{1}{\exp[\sqrt{\mathbf{p}^2 + m^2}/T_{\text{hyp}}] \pm_{\text{B,F}} 1} d^3p. \quad (26)$$

The energy of the (anti-)quarks is assigned so that they are mass-on-shell, which we require to perform hadronization via string fragmentation in PYTHIA8. Four-momentum of these partons is Lorentz-boosted by using fluid velocity at the crossing point, \mathbf{v}_{hyp} .

We stochastically assign flavors $f = u, d, \text{ or } s$ for each quark or antiquark with the following probability:

$$P_f = N_{\text{norm}}(m_f)/N_{\text{sum}}, \quad (27)$$

$$N_{\text{sum}} = N_{\text{norm}}(m_u) + N_{\text{norm}}(m_d) + N_{\text{norm}}(m_s), \quad (28)$$

where the mass values of these quarks are taken from general settings in PYTHIA8.

As we mentioned in Sec. II C, there is a threshold of invariant mass of a color string to be hadronized via string fragmentation in PYTHIA8. If the invariant mass of a modified color string is smaller than the threshold, then we remove partons forming the color string from a list of partons.

2. Parton-pairing for surviving partons

At $\tau > \tau_s$, we hadronize ‘‘surviving partons traversing inside of the fluids’’ when each of them comes out from fluids. To make the parton color-singlet to hadronize via string fragmentation, the parton picks up a thermal parton around the hypersurface.

Whether a parton comes out from medium or not is determined by the temperature of a fluid element at which the parton is currently located. A surviving parton traverses a fluid according to Eq. (6).

At the k th proper time step $\tau = \tau_k$, suppose that a parton is at $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}(\tau_k)$, where its temperature is $T(\mathbf{x}(\tau_k), \tau_k) > T_{\text{sw}}$, and will move to $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}(\tau_{k+1})$ at the next time step.

Simply assuming that the hypersurface does not change between the k th and the $(k+1)$ th time step and see if the temperature satisfies $T(\mathbf{x}(\tau_{k+1}), \tau_k) < T_{\text{sw}}$ by checking hypersurface only at the k th time step. If the above condition is satisfied, then the parton is regarded as coming out from the fluids at $\mathbf{x}_{\text{hyp}} = [\mathbf{x}(\tau_k) + \mathbf{x}(\tau_{k+1})]/2$ at the k th time step. For a quark (an antiquark) coming out from medium, an antiquark (a quark) is picked up to form a color-singlet string. On the other hand, for a gluon, a gluon is picked up to do so. A momentum is again sampled by using Eq. (25), while its flavor is sampled with Eq. (27).

Note that if a surviving parton fails to escape from the fluids by losing its initial energy completely, that we regard that parton as a dead one and remove it from a list of surviving partons. Here again, if the invariant mass of the pair of partons is smaller than the threshold to be hadronized via string fragmentation in PYTHIA8, then we remove them from the list of partons.

F. Direct hadrons from core-corona and hadronic afterburner

We switch the description of the hadrons in the core parts from hydrodynamics to particle picture at the $T(x) = T_{\text{sw}}$ hypersurface. The particlization of fluids is performed with IS3D [47], which is an open-source code to perform conversion of hypersurface information of fluids into phase-space distributions of hadrons based on Monte Carlo sampling of the Cooper-Frye formula [54]. Since the original IS3D [47] is not intended for event-by-event particlization, we extend the code so that this can be utilized for our event-by-event analysis. We also change the list of hadrons in IS3D to the one from the hadronic cascade model, JAM [48], which is employed for the hadronic afterburner in the DCCI2 framework. The hypersurface information is stored from $\tau = \tau_0$, the beginning of dynamical core-corona initialization, to the end of hydrodynamic evolution at which temperature of all fluid elements goes below T_{sw} . Fluid elements with $\mathbf{p} \cdot d\sigma < 0$, which is known as the negative contribution in the Cooper-Frye formula, and those with $T < 0.1$ GeV are ignored in IS3D. Note that ignoring the negative contributions makes

it possible to count all flux generated via source terms in dynamical initialization. In other words, if one integrates all flux including negative ones and neglects deposition of energy inside the fluids, then total flux becomes zero due to Gauss's theorem.⁴ This is because, under the dynamical initialization framework, our simulation starts from the vacuum, and the deposited energy and momentum are regarded as incoming flux into the hypersurface. We admit that energy-momentum conservation should be improved in a better treatment while we checked the conservation is satisfied within a reasonable range. The space-time coordinates of sampled hadrons $(x_i, y_i, \eta_{s,i})$ are assigned stochastically in the same way as one used for picking up thermalized partons explained in Sec. II D.

Regarding the corona parts, partons out of equilibrium undergo hadronization through string fragmentation. Until $\tau = \tau_s$, we assume no hadronization occurs. At $\tau = \tau_s$, partons outside the fluids hadronize via string fragmentations. If a part of the string is inside the fluids, then we modify the color string by cutting it at the crossing point as explained in Sec. II E 1 and hadronize the modified color string. Once surviving partons come out from the hypersurface of fluids after $\tau = \tau_s$, those partons are hadronized by picking up a thermal parton to form a string as discussed in Sec. II E 2. The string composed of at least one high $p_T (> p_{T,\text{cut}})$ parton is hadronized when all the partons chained with this high p_T parton come out from the fluids.

The string fragmentation is performed by utilizing PYTHIA8. The flag `ProcessLevel:all=off` is set to stop generating events and `forceHadronLevel()` is called to perform hadronization against the partons manually added as an input. The information of input partons handed to PYTHIA8 is, particle ID, four-momentum, coordinates, color, and anticolor. As for coordinates, only transverse coordinates, x and y , of partons are handed while t and z are set to be zeros. This is because assigning t and z may cause violation of causality and should be treated carefully in PYTHIA8. We correct the energy of the partons to be mass-on-shell using their momenta and rest masses to perform string fragmentation in PYTHIA8. This is the same procedure as we did in the previous work [12] since quarks or antiquarks that lose their energy in dynamical initialization are mass-off-shell due to the four-momentum deposition of Eq. (10). Information of vertices of generated hadrons are obtained with an option `Fragmentation:setVertices = on` based on the model proposed in Ref. [71]. We use this information for initial conditions in JAM.

In both the particleization by iS3D and the string fragmentation by PYTHIA8, we turn off decays of unstable hadrons. Instead, JAM handles decays of the unstable hadrons together

with rescatterings while describing their space-time evolution in the late stage. The hadrons obtained from both iS3D and PYTHIA8 are put into JAM all together to perform the hadronic cascade since both components should interact with each other. In JAM, an option to switch on or off hadronic rescatterings is used to see its effect on final hadrons. It should be also noted that we turn off electroweak decays except $\Sigma^0 \rightarrow \Lambda + \gamma$ to directly compare our results with experimental observable.

G. Parameter set in DCCI2

Here we summarize all the parameters that we use throughout this paper.

Note that we use the same parameters for both $p + p$ and Pb + Pb collisions except $p_{T0\text{Ref}}$. In the conventional hydrodynamic models, several parameters are used to directly parametrize the initial profiles of hydrodynamic fields. In contrast in DCCI2, how many initial partons are generated is determined in PYTHIA8 or PYTHIA8 Angantyr and how much the energy and momentum of these initial partons are converted to the hydrodynamic fields is controlled through the parameters, σ_0 , b_{cut} , σ_{\perp} , and σ_{η_s} , in Eq. (10). More details on how to fix these parameters are discussed in Sec. III.

III. RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

In this paper, we simulate $p + p$ collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV and Pb + Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV with DCCI2. The following results are obtained from full simulations of 300K and 12.5K events for $p + p$ and Pb + Pb collisions, respectively. In Sec. III A, we start with fixing some major parameters in DCCI2 to reproduce the experimental data of the charged-particle multiplicity as functions of multiplicity ($p + p$) or centrality (Pb + Pb) classes and the multiplicity dependence in particle yield ratios of omega baryons to charged pions. As a result of the parameter determination, fractions of core and corona components to final hadronic productions as a function of charged-particle multiplicity at midrapidity are extracted. Next, we show the transverse momentum spectrum in $p + p$ and Pb + Pb collisions and its breakdown into core and corona components in Sec. III B. In order to see the interplay between core and corona components on observable obtained from final hadrons, we analyze the mean transverse momentum and the second-order anisotropic flow coefficients as functions of the number of produced charged particles in certain kinematic windows in Sec. III C. Finally, we show multiplicity dependence of radial flow effects based on violation of the mean transverse mass scaling and discuss if the effect can be discriminated from the one originating from pure string fragmentation with color reconnection [72] in Sec. III D. Due to the two competing particle production mechanisms, it is not trivial to reproduce the multiplicity within a two-component model like DCCI2. We discuss details of this issue in Sec. III E.

Let us note that the effects of string cutting explained in Sec. II E are not investigated throughout this paper because the modification on color strings adds another complexity which we want to avoid in this discussion.

⁴In the conventional hydrodynamic models, initial conditions of hydrodynamic fields are put at a fixed initial time, $\tau = \tau_{\text{init}}$, which can be regarded as a negative (in-coming) energy-momentum flux from the hypersurface $T(\mathbf{x}, \tau = \tau_{\text{init}}) = T_{\text{sw}}$. Thus, thanks to the Gauss's theorem, the sum of out-going energy-momentum fluxes from the hypersurface $T(\mathbf{x}, \tau > \tau_{\text{init}}) = T_{\text{sw}}$ is exactly the same as that of in-coming fluxes at $\tau = \tau_{\text{init}}$ when there are no source terms in hydrodynamic equations.

TABLE I. Parameter set in DCCI2 used throughout this paper.

Parameters	Values
$p_{T0\text{Ref}} (p + p)$	1.8 GeV
$p_{T0\text{Ref}} (\text{Pb} + \text{Pb})$	0.9 GeV
τ_0	0.1 fm
τ_s	0.3 fm
T_{sw}	0.165 GeV
σ_0	0.4 fm ²
b_{cut}	1.0 fm
$p_{T,\text{cut}}$	3.0 GeV
σ_{\perp}	0.5 fm
σ_{η_s}	0.5
Δx	0.3 fm
Δy	0.3 fm
$\Delta \eta_s$	0.15

A. Parameter determination and fractions of core and corona components

Here we focus on two main parameters in DCCI2, $p_{T0\text{Ref}}$ used in the generation of initial partons in PYTHIA8 and PYTHIA8 Angantyr and σ_0 to scale the magnitude of cross sections in Eq. (10). We determine these parameters to reasonably describe both the charged-particle multiplicity as a function of multiplicity ($p + p$) or centrality (Pb + Pb) classes at midrapidity and particle yield ratios of omega baryons to charged pions as functions of charged-particle multiplicity.

The multistrange hadron yield ratios tell us fractions of contributions from thermalized (core) and nonthermalized (corona) matter to total final hadron yields [11, 12]. On the other hand, the charged-particle yields need to be used in the parameter determination together with the particle yield ratios. These two parameters are highly sensitive to both charged-particle multiplicity and particle yield ratios and are strongly correlated. Detailed discussion on this issue is made in Sec. III E. The resultant parameter values are summarized in Table I in Sec. II G. Here the switching temperature T_{sw} , which controls particle yield ratios as the parameters mentioned above do, is fixed to describe the ratios of omega baryons to charged pions in central Pb + Pb collisions.

Figure 2 shows particle yield ratios to charged pions produced in $|\eta| < 0.5$ as functions of charged-particle multiplicity $|\eta| < 0.5$ in $p + p$ and Pb + Pb collisions compared with the ALICE experimental data [73–78]. Note that the charged-particle multiplicity at midrapidity $\langle dN_{\text{ch}}/d\eta \rangle_{|\eta| < 0.5}$ in the horizontal axes is obtained by using V0M ($-3.7 < \eta < -1.7$ and $2.8 < \eta < 5.1$) multiplicity ($p + p$) or centrality (Pb + Pb) class, which is the same procedure as used in the ALICE data [79]. Determining these classes by using the multiplicity in forward and backward rapidity regions is essential even in theoretical analysis to avoid the effect of self-correlation on observables at midrapidity [76]. Throughout this paper, the “charged particles” mean the sum of charged pions, charged kaons, protons, and antiprotons, which do not contain contributions from weak decays. To obtain particle

ratios of primary strange hadrons, which are stable against strong decays, we switch off their weak decays in JAM. Note that we take into account a particular electromagnetic decay, $\Sigma^0 \rightarrow \Lambda + \gamma$, in the presented results of Λ yields [80]. Results with switching off hadronic rescatterings are shown to reveal the effect of hadronic rescatterings [81–83] on both core and corona components in the late stage. Results from PYTHIA8 for $p + p$ collisions and PYTHIA8 Angantyr for Pb + Pb are also plotted as references.

Overall, smooth changes of the particle yield ratios are observed along charged-particle multiplicity, which is consistent with our previous studies [11, 12]. Due to the implementation of the core-corona picture in the dynamical initialization framework, particle productions from corona components with string fragmentation are dominant in final hadron yields in low-multiplicity events, while those from core components produced from equilibrated matter are dominant in high-multiplicity events. Thus the overall tendency is that the particle yield ratio at low-multiplicity events almost reflects its value obtained from string fragmentation, while the one at high-multiplicity events reflects the value obtained only from hadronic productions from hydrodynamics. Notice that the particle yield ratios of all hadronic species are almost independent of multiplicity from $p + p$ to Pb + Pb collisions with default PYTHIA8 and PYTHIA8 Angantyr respectively, which is one of the manifestations of “jet universality,” namely the string fragmentation being independent of how the string is formed from $e^+ + e^-$ to Pb + Pb collisions [84].⁵

We tune the parameters in the full simulations of DCCI2 to reasonably reproduce the particle yield ratios of omega baryons to pions, Ω/π , reported by the ALICE Collaboration [73, 74]. Although we have to admit that our results do not perfectly describe the experimental data as one sees in Fig. 2(a), fine-tuning of the parameters is beyond the scope of this paper. In Figs. 2(b)–2(e), we also show results of cascades, lambdas, protons, and phi mesons, respectively. For the ratios of cascades to pions, Ξ/π , in Fig. 2(b), our results underestimate the experimental data except the lowest- and the highest-multiplicity classes in $p + p$ collisions. For the ratios of lambdas to pions, Λ/π , in Fig. 2(c), our results from full simulations show smaller values than the experimental data in $p + p$ collisions for almost the entire charged-particle multiplicity, while it shows good agreement with the data in Pb + Pb collisions. For the ratios of protons to pions, p/π , in Fig. 2(d), our full results including hadronic rescatterings through JAM qualitatively describe the decreasing behavior along the charged-particle multiplicity in the experimental data in Pb + Pb collisions. This is consistent with a perspective of proton-antiproton annihilations [44, 77]. The annihilation effect is seen even in $p + p$ collisions, which leads to a better agreement with the experimental data. For the ratios of phi mesons to pions, ϕ/π , in Fig. 2(e), the tendency in the experimental data above $\langle dN_{\text{ch}}/d\eta \rangle_{|\eta| < 0.5} \approx 7$ is well captured by our full result. In particular, the dissociation of

⁵Note that PYTHIA8 and PYTHIA8 Angantyr with rope hadronization show enhancement of strange hadron yield ratios as a function of multiplicity [50, 85].

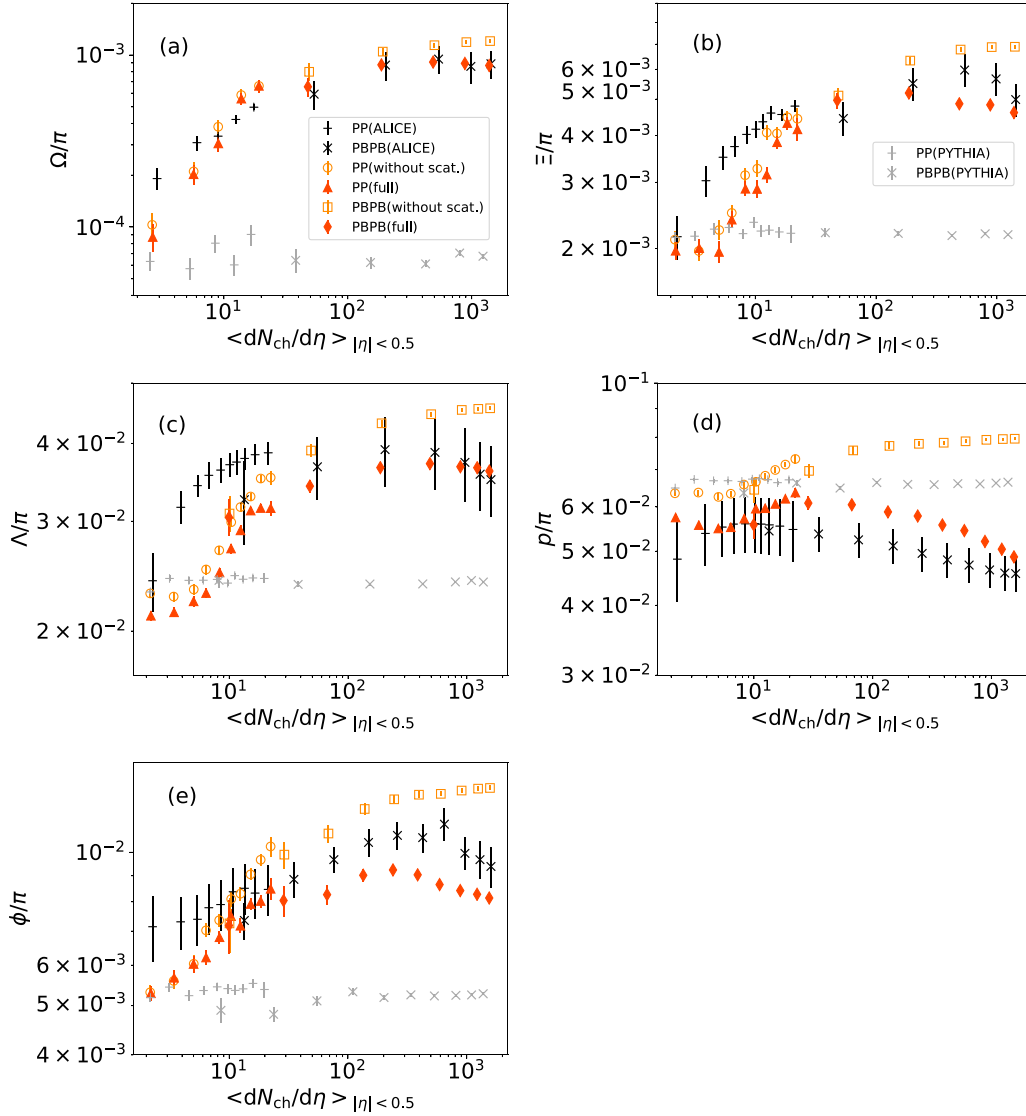


FIG. 2. Particle yield ratios of (a) omegas (Ω^- and $\bar{\Omega}^+$), (b) cascades (Ξ^- and $\bar{\Xi}^+$), (c) lambdas (Λ and $\bar{\Lambda}$), (d) protons (p and \bar{p}), and (e) phi mesons (ϕ) to charged pions (π^+ and π^-) as functions of charged-particle multiplicity at midrapidity in $p + p$ and Pb + Pb collisions. Results from full simulations of DCC12 in $p + p$ collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV (closed red triangles) and Pb + Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV (closed red diamonds) collisions are compared with the ALICE experimental data in $p + p$ (black pluses) and Pb + Pb (black crosses) collisions [73–78]. The Λ/π ratio in Pb + Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV reported by the ALICE Collaboration in Ref. [78] is plotted as a function of the number of participants N_{part} rather than charged-particle multiplicity. The corresponding charged-particle multiplicity at midrapidity is taken from Ref. [77]. Results without hadronic rescatterings are also plotted in $p + p$ (open orange circles) and Pb + Pb (open orange squares) collisions. Results from PYTHIA8 in $p + p$ collisions (gray pluses) and from PYTHIA8 Angantyr in Pb + Pb (gray crosses) collisions are plotted as references.

phi mesons in hadronic rescatterings plays an important role to describe the suppression at high multiplicity as observed in the experimental data.

Notably, the increasing behavior along charged-particle multiplicity in $p + p$ collisions is achieved in our results with the core-corona picture. It is also discussed that canonical suppression models, which are commonly used in the discussion on multiplicity dependence of particle yield ratios, do not describe the increasing tendency of the phi meson yield ratios along with multiplicity due to the hidden strangeness nature of phi mesons. One needs to incorporate additionally incompleteness of chemical equilibrium for strangeness, which is

also known as strangeness saturation factor γ_s , to describe the data within this framework [86,87]. Thus, both the core-corona and canonical suppression models suggest that the matter formed in $p + p$ collisions does not reach chemical equilibrium for strangeness.

The upper panel of Fig. 3(a) shows charged-particle multiplicity at midrapidity $\langle dN_{ch}/d\eta \rangle_{|\eta| < 0.5}$ as a function of multiplicity class $\sigma/\sigma_{INEL > 0}$ in $p + p$ events. Here, we take into account only INEL > 0 events in which at least one charged particle is produced within a pseudorapidity range $|\eta| < 1.0$ defined in the ALICE experimental analysis [76].

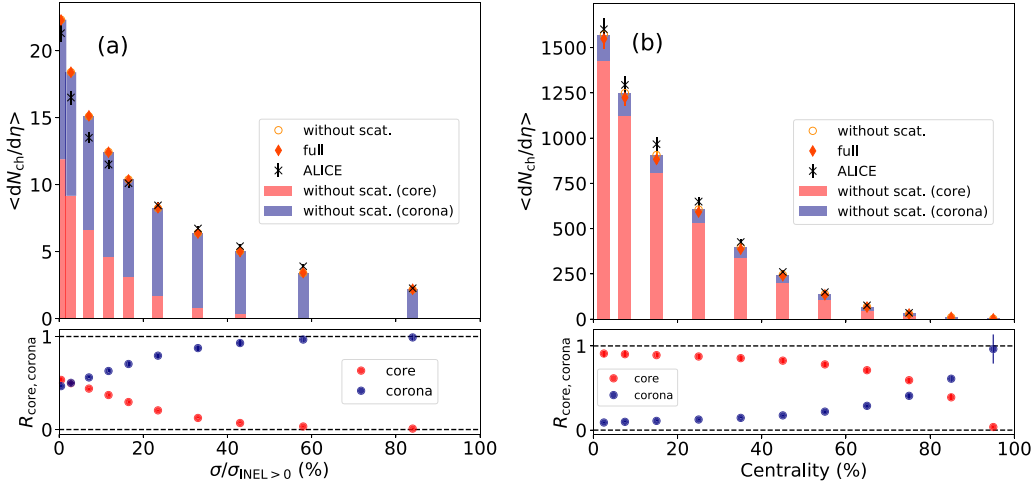


FIG. 3. Upper: (a) Charged particle multiplicity at midrapidity as a function of the fraction of the INEL > 0 cross sections in $p + p$ collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV. (b) Charged particle multiplicity at midrapidity as a function of centrality from Pb + Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV. Results from full simulations (orange diamonds) and simulations without hadronic rescatterings (open orange circles) are compared with the ALICE experimental data (black crosses) [76,88]. Core and corona contributions without hadronic rescatterings are shown in red and blue stacked bars, respectively. Lower: Fractions of core (red) and corona (blue) components without hadronic rescatterings are plotted in (a) $p + p$ and (b) Pb + Pb collisions.

The upper panel of Fig. 3(b) shows the same observable but as a function of centrality class in Pb + Pb collisions. Here we again note that each multiplicity or centrality class is obtained with VOM multiplicity. In both figures, results from simulations with and without hadronic rescatterings are compared with the ALICE experimental data [76,88]. Each contribution from core and corona components is separately shown as stacked bars for the case without hadronic rescatterings. It should be noted that the separation of core and corona components in DCCI2 is attained only by switching off hadronic rescatterings in JAM. This is because hadronic rescatterings mix those two components up by causing parton exchange between hadrons or formation of excited states. Both of our results show the reasonable description of the ALICE experimental data in $p + p$ and Pb + Pb collisions. From the comparison between with and without hadronic rescatterings, (quasi-)elastic scatterings would be dominant and, as a result, the effect of hadronic rescatterings on multiplicity turns out not to be significant.

The lower panels of Figs. 3(a) and 3(b) show the yield fractions of core and corona components to the total from results without hadronic rescatterings, R_{core} and R_{corona} , respectively, as functions of multiplicity ($p + p$) and centrality (Pb + Pb) classes. Smooth changes along multiplicity and centrality classes are observed in both $p + p$ and Pb + Pb collisions. In Fig. 3(a), the fraction of core components in $p + p$ collisions almost vanishes for 48–68% and 68–100% multiplicity classes, in which $\langle dN_{ch}/d\eta \rangle_{|\eta| < 0.5}$ is less than ≈ 5 . Then, it increases along multiplicity and reaches $R_{core} \approx 0.53$ in the highest multiplicity class 0.0–0.95% in which $\langle dN_{ch}/d\eta \rangle_{|\eta| < 0.5} \approx 21$. One also sees that the contribution of core components overtakes that of corona components only in 0.0–0.95% multiplicity class within our calculations with the current parameter set. This supports a perspective that recent observations of collectivity in high-multiplicity

small colliding systems at the LHC energies result from the (partial) formation of the QGP fluids. It should also be noted that the fraction of core components shows $R_{core} \approx 0.12$ at $\langle dN_{ch}/d\eta \rangle_{|\eta| < 0.5} \approx 7$ which is minimum-bias multiplicity for INEL > 0 events [89].⁶ The lower panel of Fig. 3(b) shows results in Pb + Pb collisions. The core components highly dominate, $R_{core} \gtrsim 0.90$, from 0 to 10% centrality classes where their corresponding multiplicities are above $\langle dN_{ch}/d\eta \rangle_{|\eta| < 0.5} \approx 10^3$. The corona components become dominant around at 80% centrality class toward peripheral events. It should also be mentioned that the contribution of corona components remains $R_{corona} \approx 0.17$ – 0.22 at midrapidity in intermediate centrality classes (≈ 40 – 60%) where the whole systems is often assumed to be described by hydrodynamics.

Figure 4 shows the fractions of core and corona components in $p + p$ and Pb + Pb collisions simultaneously, which are identical to the results in the lower panels in Fig. 3 but as functions of charged-particle multiplicity at midrapidity. Smooth crossover from corona dominance to core dominance appears along multiplicity from $p + p$ to Pb + Pb collisions. The dominant contribution flips at $\langle dN_{ch}/d\eta \rangle_{|\eta| < 0.5} \approx 18$. These results clearly demonstrate that the fractions of contribution from core and corona components are scaled with charged-particle multiplicity in DCCI2, regardless of differences in the system size or collision energy between $p + p$ and Pb + Pb collisions. Here we emphasize that, interestingly, the fraction of corona still remains $\approx 10\%$ at the most central events in Pb + Pb collisions. This also implies that both core and corona components should be implemented even in

⁶The result from EPOS 3.210 shows $\approx 30\%$ at the same multiplicity [46].

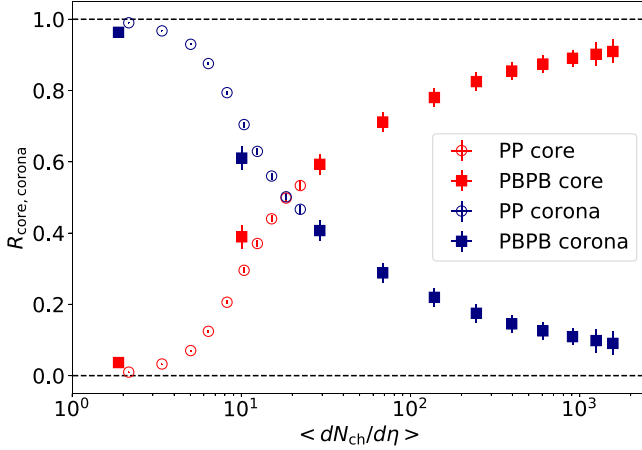


FIG. 4. Fractions of core and corona components in the final hadron yields as functions of charged-particle multiplicity at midrapidity. Smooth behaviors of fractions of core (open red circles) and corona (open blue circles) contributions in $p + p$ collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV are taken over by those of core (closed red squares) and corona (closed blue squares) contributions in Pb + Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV, respectively.

dynamical modeling of high-energy heavy-ion collisions toward precision studies on properties of QCD matter.

B. Transverse momentum dependence of core and corona contribution

It is also interesting to compare the sizes of core and corona contributions in transverse momentum p_T spectra of the final state particles. According to the implementation of the core-corona picture by Eq. (10), initial low-momentum partons are likely to generate QGP fluids and expected to contribute

largely in the low- p_T region. Meanwhile, high-momentum particles are likely to traverse vacuum or fluids as mostly keeping their initial momentum and supposed to dominate the high- p_T region.

The upper panels of Fig. 5 show the charged-particle p_T spectra at midrapidity $|\eta| < 2.5$ in [Fig. 5(a)] $p + p$ and [Fig. 5(b)] Pb + Pb collisions. The kinematic cuts and event selections are the same as the ones used in the ATLAS experimental results [90]. Event average is made with at least one charged particle having $p_T > 0.5$ GeV and $|\eta| < 2.5$ in both $p + p$ and Pb + Pb collisions, which can be regarded as almost minimum-bias events. Again, a comparison between results obtained from full simulations and ones from simulations without hadronic rescatterings is made here. Each contribution from core and corona components to the final hadrons from simulations without hadronic rescatterings is shown as well. In both $p + p$ and Pb + Pb collisions, the p_T spectra of final hadrons without hadronic rescatterings are represented as sums of contributions of core and corona components over the whole p_T regions. One also sees that the effect of hadronic rescatterings on the p_T spectra of charged particles is almost absent in both $p + p$ and Pb + Pb collisions. Since the charged particles are mainly composed of charged pions, their p_T spectra are relatively insensitive to hadronic rescatterings.

The corresponding lower panels of Fig. 5 show the fractions of core and corona components for final hadrons without hadronic rescatterings as functions of p_T . As an overall tendency, the dominance of the corona components at high- p_T regions is seen in both $p + p$ and Pb + Pb collisions, which is exactly what we expect from the core-corona picture in the momentum space encoded in Eq. (10). In $p + p$ collisions, the contribution from the core components reaches $R_{\text{core}} \approx 0.3$ around $p_T \approx 1.0$ – 1.5 GeV and the contribution from the corona components is almost dominant over the

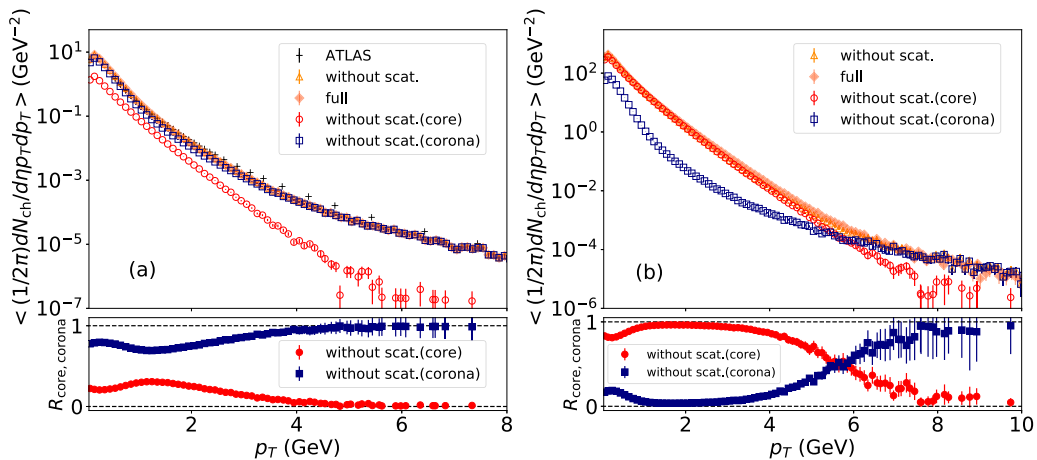


FIG. 5. Upper: Transverse momentum spectra of charged particles at midrapidity from DCC12 in (a) $p + p$ collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV and (b) Pb + Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV. An event average is taken with at least one charged particle having $p_T > 0.5$ GeV and $|\eta| < 2.5$ in both cases. Results from full simulations (closed orange diamonds) and simulations without hadronic rescatterings (open orange triangles) are plotted and compared with the ATLAS data (black pluses) [90] only in $p + p$ collisions as a reference. Results from core (open red diamonds) and from corona (open blue squares) are also plotted for simulations without hadronic rescatterings. Lower: Corresponding fractions of core (red circles) and corona (blue squares) components in the final hadron without hadronic rescatterings are shown as functions of transverse momentum.

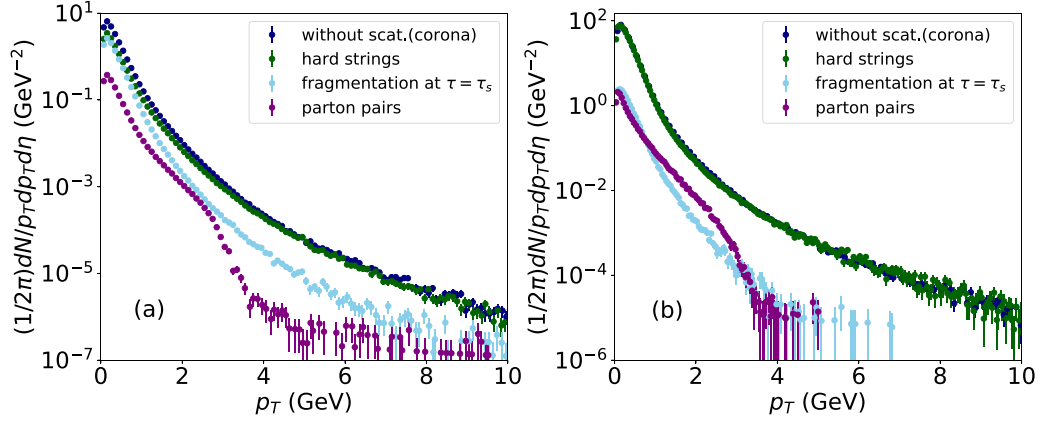


FIG. 6. Breakdown of transverse momentum spectra of charged particles from corona components at midrapidity in (a) $p + p$ collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV and (b) Pb + Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV. An event average is taken with at least one charged particle having $p_T > 0.5$ GeV and $|\eta| < 2.5$ in both cases. The breakdown is shown by categorizing the corona contributions into (i) strings consisting of “hard” partons and coming out from fluids at $\tau > \tau_s$ (green), (ii) strings outside the fluids at $\tau = \tau_s$ including ones with “hard” partons outside the fluids as a whole and ones partially outside the fluids being cut at $\tau = \tau_s$ (sky blue), and (iii) parton pairs coming out at $\tau > \tau_s$ (purple).

whole p_T range. On the other hand, the contribution from core components is dominant in low- p_T regions in Pb + Pb collisions, while the dominant contribution is flipped to the corona components at $p_T \approx 5.5$ GeV toward high- p_T regions. Remarkably, only within $0.7 \lesssim p_T \lesssim 3.6$ GeV, the core components highly dominate, $R_{\text{core}} \gtrsim 0.9$. The existence of corona components should be considered below ≈ 0.7 GeV and above ≈ 3.6 GeV even in minimum-bias events.

In particular, there is a small peak in the fraction of corona components with $R_{\text{corona}} \approx 0.2$ at most in $p_T \lesssim 1$ GeV. This contribution originates mainly from a feed-down from fragmentation of strings including surviving partons during the dynamical initialization stage. This is a consequence of the dynamical core-corona initialization against initially generated partons. Thus there should be a kind of “redshift” of the p_T spectrum due to energy loss of traversing partons which contribute as corona components in the soft region. As we emphasized in Introduction, in the core-corona picture, this result exactly illustrates “soft-from-corona” that there exists a non-negligible contribution of nonequilibrated corona components in low- p_T region. Therefore, in order to properly extract transport coefficients of the QGP fluids from, for example, an analysis of flow observables, hydrodynamic results should be corrected with corona components. We demonstrate this correction within DCC12 in the next subsection.

Figure 6 shows breakdowns of the corona contributions obtained in Fig. 5 to reveal which types of partons contribute to the production at the low p_T . The kinematic cuts and event selection are the same as used in Fig. 5. Here we categorize the corona contribution into three types of contributions based on the modification of color strings in Sec. II E 1 and II E 2: (i) strings consisting of “hard” partons and coming out from fluids at $\tau > \tau_s$, (ii) strings outside the fluids at $\tau = \tau_s$ including ones with “hard” partons outside the fluids as a whole and ones partially outside the fluids being cut at $\tau = \tau_s$, and (iii) parton pairs coming out at $\tau > \tau_s$. The total corona contributions, which are identical to the ones plotted in Fig. 5, are also plotted for a comparison.

Figure 6(a) shows breakdowns in $p + p$ collisions. One sees that the contribution from the “hard” partons at $\tau > \tau_s$ [Category (i)] is dominant for the all- p_T range while the contribution from strings fragmented at $\tau = \tau_s$ [Category (ii)] becomes more comparable at the low p_T compared to the high p_T . One notices that the contribution from parton pairs [Category (iii)] is much smaller than the total corona contributions. The “cliff” structure of (iii) at $p_T \approx 3$ GeV originates from the parameter $p_{T,\text{cut}} (= 3.0)$ GeV since surviving partons to pick up a thermal partons must have $p_T < p_{T,\text{cut}}$. Figure 6(b) shows breakdowns in Pb + Pb collisions. Similarly to the results in $p + p$ collisions, the contribution from “hard” partons at $\tau > \tau_s$ [Category (i)] is dominant for the all- p_T range. The remaining two contributions [Categories (ii) and (iii)] contribute much less to the total corona contributions. Therefore, it can be concluded that the corona contribution at low p_T originates from the hadronic contribution from strings consisting of “hard” partons and coming out from fluids at $\tau > \tau_s$.

C. Correction from corona to flow observable

As we discussed in Secs. III A and III B, both core and corona contributions appear over a wide range of multiplicity. Moreover, each component contributes as a function of p_T in a nontrivial way. To investigate how the effects of the interplay between core and corona components appear on observable, we first analyze the mean transverse momentum $\langle p_T \rangle$ of charged particles at midrapidity as a function of the number of charged hadrons generated at midrapidity N_{ch} in $p + p$ and Pb + Pb collisions.

Figure 7 shows the mean transverse momentum $\langle p_T \rangle$ of charged particles as a function of charged-particle multiplicity N_{ch} in (a) $p + p$ collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV and (b) Pb + Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV. Charged particles with $0.15 < p_T < 10.0$ GeV and $|\eta| < 0.3$ are used for evaluation of $\langle p_T \rangle$, while N_{ch} is obtained by counting charged particles with

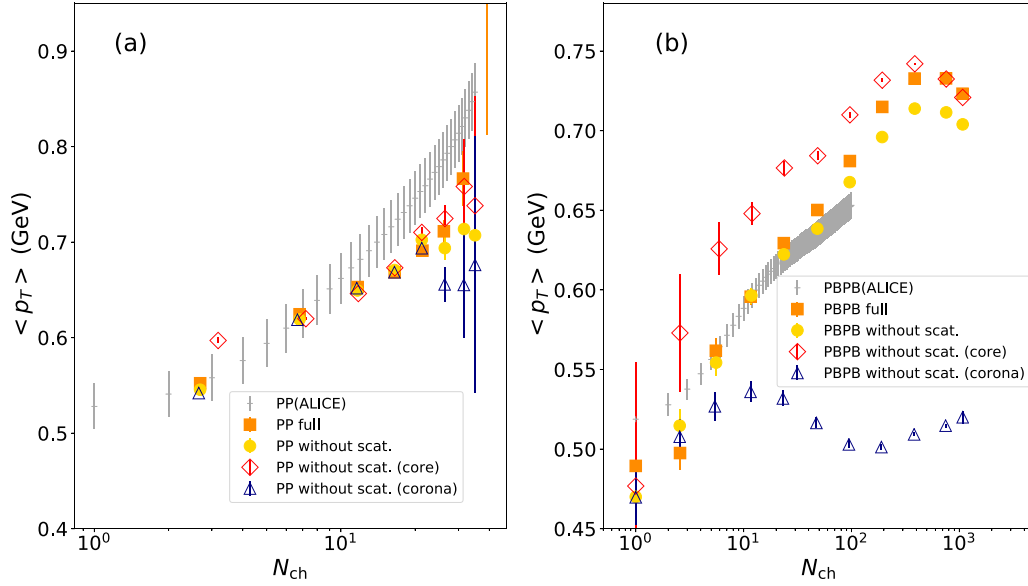


FIG. 7. Mean transverse momentum of charged particles as a function of the number of charged particles in (a) $p + p$ collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV and (b) Pb + Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV compared with the ALICE experimental data [91] (gray pluses). Results from full simulations (closed orange squares), from simulations without hadronic rescatterings (closed yellow circles), from core components (open red diamonds), and from corona components (open blue triangles) are shown for comparisons.

$|\eta| < 0.3$ (without p_T cut), which is the same kinematic range used in Ref. [91].

For $p + p$ collisions in Fig. 7(a), our result from DCCI2 qualitatively describes the steep enhancement of $\langle p_T \rangle$ along N_{ch} observed in the ALICE experimental data [91]. Almost no significant difference is seen between results from full simulations and the ones without hadronic rescatterings. This means that the effect of hadronic rescatterings on $\langle p_T \rangle$ of charged particles is almost negligible due to a small number of final hadrons in $p + p$ collisions. One also sees that the core and corona components show small difference of $\langle p_T \rangle$ below $N_{ch} \approx 20$. This is because, as seen in Fig. 5(a), there is no large difference for the slopes of p_T spectrum of the core and corona components in low- p_T regions while the particle productions in the region would contribute to $\langle p_T \rangle$ significantly.

For Pb + Pb collisions presented in Fig. 7(b), our results from full simulations with DCCI2 reasonably describe the experimental data within the range of experimental data. A slight difference is seen between results from full simulations and the ones from simulations without hadronic rescatterings: Mean transverse momentum is slightly enhanced due to hadronic rescatterings and the effect becomes relatively clear as increasing N_{ch} . On the other hand, the large difference is seen between the results from core and corona components. The core components show larger $\langle p_T \rangle$ while the corona components show smaller values for almost the entire N_{ch} . The larger $\langle p_T \rangle$ from core components originates from the flatter slope of p_T spectrum, while the smaller $\langle p_T \rangle$ from corona components originates from the steeper slope of p_T spectrum in the low- p_T region seen in Fig. 5(b). The difference between the results without hadronic rescatterings and the ones from core components exactly exhibits there exists the sizable *correction from nonthermalized matter* to the results obtained purely from hydrodynamics. The correction is found to be

visible for the entire N_{ch} and to be $\approx 5-11\%$ in $N_{ch} \lesssim 200$. Therefore the “soft-from-corona” components are the key to precisely reproduce the multiplicity dependence of the mean transverse momentum.⁷

Figure 8 shows the second-order anisotropic flow coefficient of charged particles obtained from two-particle cumulants, $v_2\{2\}$, as a function of N_{ch} in (a) $p + p$ collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV and (b) Pb + Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV. Kinematic cuts for both $v_2\{2\}$ and N_{ch} are $0.2 < p_T < 3.0$ GeV and $|\eta| < 0.8$ as used in Ref. [95]. It should be mentioned that insufficient statistics with DCCI2 simulations do not allow us to have a pseudorapidity gap of charged hadron pairs $|\Delta\eta| > 1.4$ in the $v_2\{2\}$ analysis unlike in the ALICE analysis. This is the reason why we do not compare our results with the experimental data in this paper. We leave quantitative discussion by comparing with experimental data for future work.

For the results in $p + p$ collisions, $v_2\{2\}$ obtained from both core and corona components is larger than that from

⁷It is discussed that the centrality dependence of $\langle p_T \rangle$ is well described by hydrodynamic simulations introducing the finite bulk viscosity [92]. While a recent Bayesian analysis supports the zero-consistent bulk viscosity by analyzing p_T -differential observables [7]. Both of them, however, still failed to reproduce pion p_T spectra below ≈ 0.3 GeV (see, e.g., Fig. 3 in Ref. [92] and Fig. 21 in Ref. [93]). Another related discussion is in Ref. [94]), which would result in overestimation of $\langle p_T \rangle$. The discrepancy between hydrodynamic results and experimental data in this low- p_T region becomes larger as going to peripheral collisions or small colliding systems [93]. Therefore the deviation between the model and the data in the low- p_T region could be filled with the corona components and would improve the description of $\langle p_T \rangle$.

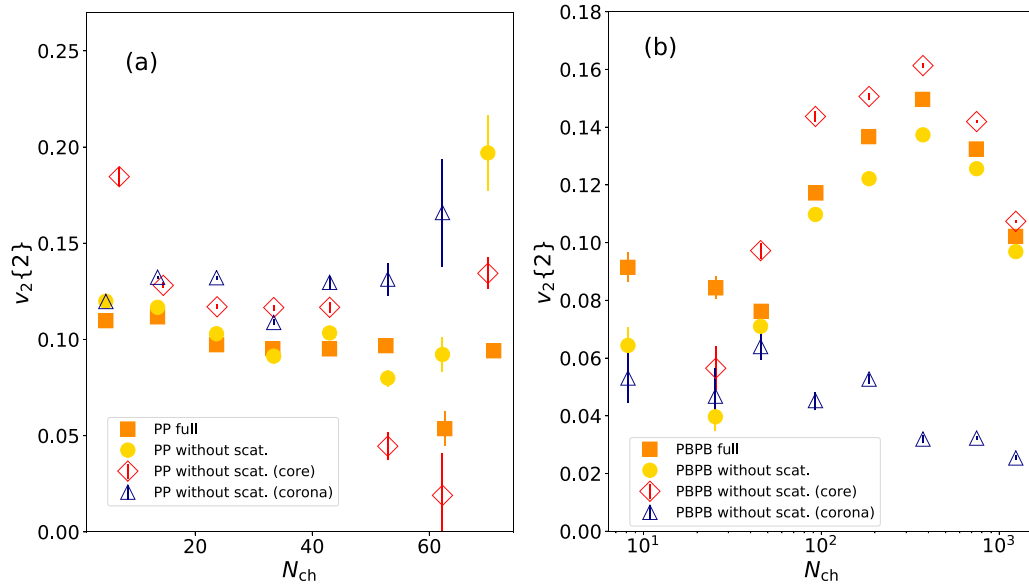


FIG. 8. Second order of anisotropic flow coefficient obtained from two-particle correlation for charged hadrons as a function of the number of produced charged particles in (a) $p + p$ collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV and (b) Pb + Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV. Results from full simulations (orange squares) and simulations without hadronic rescatterings (yellow diamonds) are shown with closed symbols. While results from core (red diamonds) and corona (blue triangles) components from simulations without hadronic rescatterings are plotted with open symbols.

simulations without hadronic rescatterings in $10 \lesssim N_{ch} \lesssim 50$. This suggests that the event plane angle of core components might be different from that of corona components, which dilutes $v_2\{2\}$ of core and corona components with each other.

For the results in Pb + Pb collisions, the $v_2\{2\}$ from full simulations reaches a maximum value at $N_{ch} \approx 400$, which is similar to the tendency observed in experimental data [95]. From a comparison between the results with and without hadronic rescatterings, one can tell that a slight enhancement of $v_2\{2\}$ comes from generation of elliptic flow in the late hadronic rescattering stage [81–83]. Here again, one can see the correction from corona components in the comparison between the core result and the inclusive result in the case without hadronic rescatterings. The correction from corona components is found to be $\approx 15\text{--}30\%$ below $N_{ch} \approx 370$, which originates from the small peak seen at the very low p_T region in the p_T spectra in Fig. 5(b).⁸ This suggests that one would need to incorporate corona components in hydrodynamic frameworks to extract transport coefficients from comparisons with experimental data.

In both $p + p$ and Pb + Pb results, there are two factors that would give a finite anisotropy in corona components, which are color reconnection and feed-down from surviving partons. The color reconnection effect implemented in default PYTHIA8 and PYTHIA8 Angantyr can arise collectivity

⁸The leftmost point of the contribution from core components is slightly shifted to large N_{ch} since there are some events in which one cannot calculate two-particle cumulants due to less than two charged particles from the core parts are measured in a given kinematic window in this N_{ch} bin. Therefore the event average of N_{ch} for core components is biased to larger N_{ch} .

[96]. With the color reconnection, dense color strings formed due to multiparton interactions interact with each other and eventually induce flowlike behavior of final hadrons. Its effect can be enhanced due to more multiparton interactions in initial parton generation with DCCI2 compared to default PYTHIA8 and PYTHIA8 Angantyr. The detailed discussion on multiparton interactions in initial parton generation is made in Sec. III E. Under the dynamical core-corona initialization, partons originating from hard scatterings and emitted in the back-to-back directions tend to survive. In contrast, soft partons, which originate from multiparton interactions and are randomly directed, tend to be converted into fluids. Since the low- p_T charged hadrons come from such surviving partons through string fragmentation, $v_2\{2\}$ of corona components could reflect that of their parents. As a result, the corona components show larger anisotropy compared to results from the default PYTHIA8 [96] and PYTHIA8 Angantyr.

D. Multiplicity dependence of mean transverse mass

The fraction of core components to total hadronic productions increases along charged-particle multiplicity as shown in Fig. 4. Since the effects of radial flow are expected to be more pronounced as increasing fraction of core components, we analyze the mean transverse mass for various hadrons in high- and low-multiplicity $p + p$ and Pb + Pb events and see its mass dependence. It has been empirically known that m_T spectra in small colliding systems exhibit the m_T scaling, i.e., the slope of m_T spectra being independent of the rest mass of hadrons [97,98]. Here $m_T = \sqrt{m^2 + p_T^2}$ is the transverse mass and m is the rest mass of the hadron. In contrast, in heavy-ion collisions, the slope parameter increases with m and, as a

result, the m_T scaling is violated, which is regarded as a sign of the existence of radial flow generated [99,100]. Thus whether *radial expansion exists in small colliding systems* due possibly to the QGP formation can be explored through the empirical scaling behavior and its violation in the mean transverse mass.

We take two event classes, high-multiplicity (0–10%) and low-multiplicity (50–100%) events, in $p + p$ and in Pb + Pb collisions.⁹ The multiplicity or centrality classification is performed in the same way as the one used in Fig. 3. In the following, we analyze the mean transverse mass of charged pions (π^+ and π^-), charged kaons (K^+ and K^-), protons (p and \bar{p}), phi mesons (ϕ), lambdas (Λ and $\bar{\Lambda}$), cascade baryons (Ξ^- and $\bar{\Xi}^+$), and omega baryons (Ω^- and $\bar{\Omega}^+$), in $|\eta| < 0.5$ without p_T cut.

Figure 9(a) shows the mean transverse mass, $\langle m_T \rangle - m$, as a function of the rest mass of hadrons, m , in high-multiplicity (0–10%) and low-multiplicity (50–100%) $p + p$ collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV. To pin down the effect of hadronic rescatterings, the results from full simulations and simulations without hadronic rescatterings are compared with each other. The result from PYTHIA8 with the default settings including color reconnection is also plotted as a reference. Overall, $\langle m_T \rangle - m$ in high-multiplicity events (0–10%) tends to exhibit an almost linear increase with increasing m except for phi mesons. On the other hand, such a clear mass dependence is not seen in low-multiplicity events (50–100%), which is consistent with the m_T scaling. It should also be mentioned that the violation of linear increase of phi mesons in core components appears after resonance decays against direct hadrons (not shown). An apparent flowlike linear mass dependence is seen in results from PYTHIA8 in high-multiplicity events as well, which is due to the color reconnection [101]. The almost linear increasing behavior in DCCI2 is caused by both radial flow for core components from hydrodynamic expansion and color reconnection for corona components obtained with PYTHIA8. As a result, the results from both DCCI2 and PYTHIA8 have similar tendencies. Therefore, it is difficult to discriminate each effect by merely seeing the mean transverse mass. The effect of hadronic rescatterings is almost absent for pions. This comes from an interplay between small pdV work in the late hadronic rescattering stage and approximate conservation of pion number [4]. The small effects of hadronic rescatterings are seen for phi mesons and omega baryons because they do not form resonances in scattering with pions unlike other hadrons [82,83].

Figure 9(b) shows the mean transverse mass as a function of hadron rest mass for 0–10% and 50–100% centrality classes in Pb + Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV. The almost linear increasing behavior of $\langle m_T \rangle - m$ appears even in 50–100% centrality class as one can expect from the centrality dependence of the fraction of core components in Fig. 3(b). The larger enhancement of the mean transverse mass due to hadronic rescatterings, in particular, for protons is seen in high-multiplicity events in comparison with the

low-multiplicity events. This is a manifestation of the famous “pion wind” in the late rescattering stage [102–105].

Figure 9(c) shows each contribution of core and corona components to the final result without hadronic rescatterings in the 0–10% multiplicity class in $p + p$ collisions. The inclusive result here is identical to the one shown as the result without hadronic rescatterings in Fig. 9(a). The difference between results of core and corona components is seen in protons, lambdas, and omega baryons. The linear mass ordering of $\langle m_T \rangle - m$ from core components is slightly diluted for protons and lambdas in the inclusive result due to the sizable contribution of corona components. In contrast, the core result and the inclusive result are almost on top of each other since the contribution of corona components for omega baryons is smaller in 0–10% multiplicity class compared to other particle species.

Figure 9(d) shows each contribution of core and corona components to the final result without hadronic rescatterings in 0–10% centrality class in Pb + Pb collisions. The linear increase except phi meson is seen very clearly for the core component, and the increase rate is more than the one from $p + p$ results shown in Fig. 9(c).

Figure 9(e) shows the same variable with Fig. 9(c) but in the 50–100% multiplicity class in $p + p$ collisions. Since the fraction of the core components is less than 10% in this range of multiplicity class as shown in Fig. 3(a), the final result and the result from corona components are almost top of each other showing no significant dependence on hadron rest mass.

Figure 9(f) shows the same variables with Fig. 9(d) but in the 50–100% centrality class in Pb + Pb collisions. According to Fig. 3(b), the fraction of core components shows $R_{\text{core}} \approx 0.8$ to ≈ 0.9 in this centrality range. Eventually the result of core components is found to be slightly diluted by corona components.

E. Evolution of transverse energy

As shown in Fig. 3 in Sec. III A, we reproduced centrality dependence of charged-particle multiplicity in $p + p$ and Pb + Pb collisions within DCCI2. Although the default PYTHIA8 (or Angantyr model in heavy-ion modes) works reasonably well, reproduction of multiplicity within DCCI2 can be attained only after the considerable change of a parameter $p_{T0\text{Ref}}$ from its default value as mentioned in Sec. II G. A nontriviality in DCCI2 stems from different competing mechanisms of how the transverse energy changes during the evolution of the system. In this subsection, we discuss the effects of string formation/fragmentation and longitudinal pdV work on the transverse energy and explain why we needed to change this parameter in DCCI2.

The transverse energy per unit rapidity $dE_T/d\eta$ is a basic observable in high-energy nuclear collisions and contains rich information on the dynamics of an entire stage of the reactions. The transverse energy changes mainly in the initial and the expansion stages of the reactions. In the initial stage, the two energetic hadrons and/or nuclei form color flux tubes between them as they pass through each other. The chromoelectric and magnetic fields in the color flux tubes possess the energy originating from the kinetic energy of colliding

⁹Due to the lack of statistics, we simply divide events into these classes regardless of collision system.

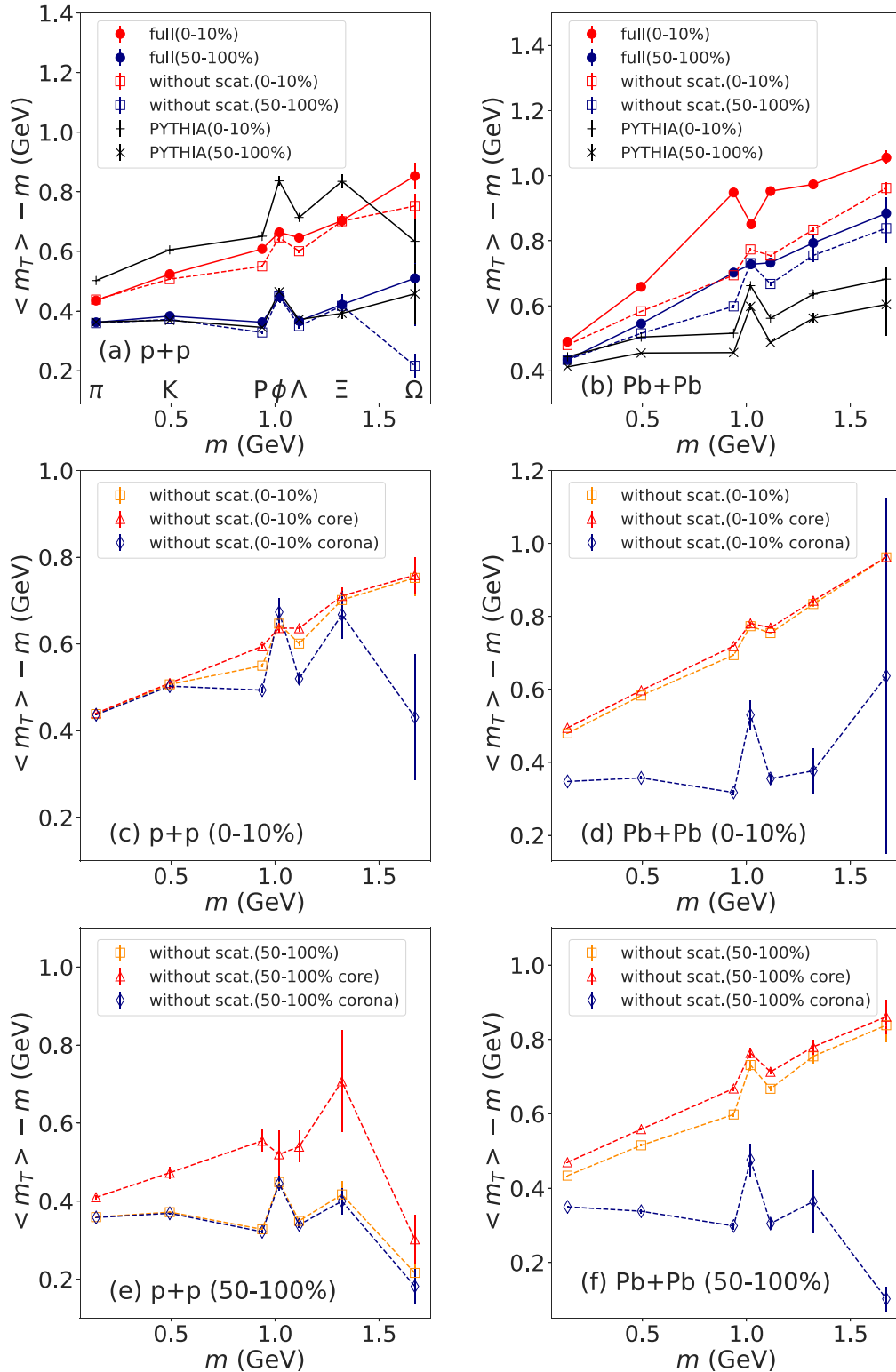


FIG. 9. Mean transverse mass, $\langle m_T \rangle - m$, as a function of rest mass of hadrons, m , from DCC12 in (a) $p + p$ collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV and (b) $Pb + Pb$ collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV. A comparison of the results from full simulations (closed symbols connected with solid lines) and the ones from simulations without hadronic rescatterings (open symbols connected with dashed lines) is made. Results of high-multiplicity events (0–10%, red) and of low-multiplicity events (50–100%, blue) are shown to see the effects of the fraction of core components. The result from PYTHIA8 and PYTHIA8 Angantyr (black symbols) with default parameters including color reconnection is plotted in $p + p$ and $Pb + Pb$ collisions, respectively, as references. Corresponding contributions of core and corona components in 0–10% multiplicity and centrality classes in (c) $p + p$ and in (d) $Pb + Pb$ collisions, respectively. Corresponding contribution of core and corona components in 50–100% multiplicity and centrality classes in (e) $p + p$ and in (f) $Pb + Pb$ collisions, respectively.

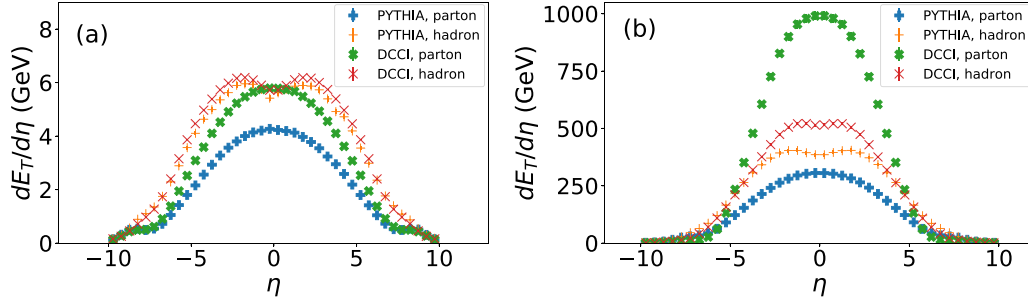


FIG. 10. Pseudorapidity distribution of transverse energy in (a) minimum-bias $p + p$ collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV and (b) minimum-bias Pb + Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV from DCCI2 and PYTHIA8. A comparison of transverse energy distribution between parton and hadron levels is made for results from DCCI2 and PYTHIA8. Results from the parton level in DCCI2 (green crosses) and PYTHIA8 (blue pluses) and the ones from the hadron level (red crosses) in DCCI2 and PYTHIA8 (orange pluses) are shown for comparison. For Pb + Pb collisions, PYTHIA8 Angantyr is used to obtain the results.

hadrons or nuclei. The decays of color flux tubes into partons and subsequent rescatterings among them are supposed to lead to the QGP formation [106–108]. Thus, how much energy is deposited in the reaction region is a fundamental problem of the QGP formation and depends on the initial dynamics of high-energy nuclear collisions. On the other hand, in the expansion stage, the pdV work associated with the longitudinal expansion after the QGP formation reduces the energy produced in the initial reaction region [109,110]. The amount of reduced energy is sensitive to viscosity and other transport properties of the QGP [111]. Therefore $dE_T/d\eta$ can be a good measure to scrutinize modeling in the initial and the expansion stages of the reactions.

In PYTHIA8, partons are first generated through hard scatterings and then, together with partons from initial and final state radiations, form hadron strings which eventually fragment into hadrons. The transverse energy per unit rapidity of final hadrons is always larger than that of initially generated partons around midrapidity. To understand this enhancement around midrapidity, suppose a hadronic string formed from a diquark in the forward beam rapidity region and a quark in the backward beam rapidity region as an extreme case. Although the partons lie only around beam rapidity regions and the transverse energy of them vanishes around midrapidity, that string fragments into hadrons almost uniformly in rapidity space. Thus, the emergence of the transverse energy at midrapidity is a consequence of the formation of a color string between such partons around beam rapidity. Since parameters in PYTHIA8 are so tuned to reproduce the final hadron spectra, the initial parameters are highly correlated with parameters in the fragmentation as a whole. Therefore the default parameter set should not be used if the subsequent hydrodynamic evolution, which reduces the transverse energy from its initial value of generated partons, is incorporated in DCCI2.

Figure 10 shows $dE_T/d\eta$ of the initial partons before the string hadronization or the dynamical initialization and that of the hadrons in the final state from both PYTHIA8 and DCCI2 in minimum-bias (a) $p + p$ collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV and (b) Pb + Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV. For the results from PYTHIA8 in Fig. 10(a), the transverse energy per unit pseudorapidity, $dE_T/d\eta$, of the final hadrons is always larger than that of the initial partons in the whole rapidity region except

around the beam rapidity. Since the final hadron yield is dominated by the corona components in minimum-bias $p + p$ collisions in DCCI2, the above behavior is qualitatively the same as the ones from PYTHIA8. The difference of the results between DCCI2 and PYTHIA8 appears in the absolute value of $E_T/d\eta$ in parton level, which is a consequence of partial formation of QGP fluids. To obtain the same amount of the transverse energy in the final state in DCCI2, the transverse energy must be deposited initially ≈ 1.5 times as large as that in PYTHIA8 at midrapidity to reconcile the reduction of transverse energy due to pdV work. This is exactly possible by considerably decreasing the parameter $p_{T\text{Ref}}$.

For the results from PYTHIA8 Angantyr in Fig. 10(b), the behavior of the transverse energy in Pb + Pb collisions is again the same as in $p + p$ collisions. In contrast, the transverse energy in initial state from DCCI2 shows ≈ 3 times as large as that in PYTHIA8 Angantyr. The reason is the same as mentioned on the results of DCCI2 in $p + p$ collisions. The decrease of the transverse energy due to pdV work is clearly seen in Pb + Pb collisions.

The parameter $p_{T\text{Ref}}$ regulates infrared divergence of the QCD cross section, can be interpreted as a parameter $p_{\perp\text{min}}$ to separate soft from hard scales,¹⁰ and controls the number of multiparton interactions in PYTHIA [112,113]. The smaller the separation scale $p_{\perp\text{min}}$ is, the larger the number of multiparton interaction $\langle n_{\text{MPI}}(p_{\perp\text{min}}) \rangle = \sigma_{2 \rightarrow 2}(p_{\perp\text{min}})/\sigma_{\text{nd}}$ is. Here $\sigma_{2 \rightarrow 2}$ and σ_{nd} are the perturbative QCD $2 \rightarrow 2$ cross section and the inelastic nondiffractive cross section, respectively. By increasing $\langle n_{\text{MPI}}(p_{\perp\text{min}}) \rangle$ as decreasing $p_{T\text{Ref}}$, initial partons are generated more and bring the sufficient amount of transverse energy in the final hadron state as shown in Fig. 10(b). In this work, we use $p_{T\text{Ref}} = 1.8$ and 0.9 for $p + p$ and Pb + Pb collisions as mentioned in Sec. III A, which are smaller than the default values, 2.28 and 2.0 for `MultipartonInteractions:pTRef` and `SpaceShower:pTRef` in PYTHIA.

¹⁰In actual simulations in PYTHIA, a parameter $p_{T\text{Ref}}$ provides a scale to make a smooth turnoff of hard scattering rather than the sharp separation [112].

So far, we have found that hydrodynamics and string fragmentation have different evolution of transverse energy. Thus, the multiplicity of final hadrons from such a two-component model is sensitive to a fraction of each component in a system. To, at least, reproduce multiplicity in DCCI2, we need to change the parameter p_{T0Ref} from its default value. However, as we mentioned at the beginning of this section, the other parameter σ_0 in Eq. (10) has a nontrivial correlation with p_{T0Ref} , which means that we need to tune both the parameters at the same time. Suppose that one first tries to reproduce multiplicity by tuning p_{T0Ref} . Since a small p_{T0Ref} gives a rise to the number of multiparton interactions and deposited transverse energy is enhanced, it affects to enhance final hadron multiplicity. On the other hand, since the number of initial partons produced in midrapidity increases, this causes more fluidization in dynamical core-corona initialization. Once a fraction of the core is enhanced, the multiplicity of final hadrons can also decrease since the initial transverse energy deposited in midrapidity region is used for pdV work. As a result of competition between these effects, multiplicity cannot linearly enhance or decrease by decreasing or increasing p_{T0Ref} . Second, suppose that one tries to reproduce particle yield ratios as functions of multiplicity by tuning σ_0 . Since changing σ_0 means changing a fraction of core and corona, final multiplicity is easily altered, too. This is the reason why we need to fix both parameters by taking into account multiplicity and particle yield ratios at the same time.

Note that if we made viscous corrections in the hydrodynamic evolution, then the resultant change of p_{T0Ref} from its default value could have been modest due to the less reduction of transverse energy [111], which is beyond the scope of the present paper, but which should be investigated in the future work.

A string melting version of A Multi Phase Transport model [114,115] and the hydrodynamic models using it for generating initial conditions [116,117] avoid this issue of the transverse energy in an “ad hoc” way: The hadrons decaying from a string are re-decomposed into their constitutive quarks and antiquarks and then form high-energy density partonic matter. Although it is possible to count the energy stored along the string contrary to considering the generated partons directly, this prescription lacks gluons from melting strings. Therefore, we do not pursue this idea in the present paper.

IV. SUMMARY

We studied the interplay between core and corona components establishing the DCCI2, which describes the dynamical aspects of core-corona picture under the dynamical initialization scheme. To develop the DCCI2, we put an emphasis on reconciliation of open issues of dynamical models, mainly relativistic hydrodynamic models, toward a comprehensive description of a whole reaction of high-energy nuclear collisions. One of the important achievements is to generate the initial profiles of hydrodynamics by preserving initial total energy and momentum of the collision systems. This is achieved by adopting hydrodynamic equations with source terms on initial partons obtained from PYTHIA8, one of the widely accepted general-purpose Monte Carlo event gener-

ators. Consequently, in addition to the equilibrated matter (core) described by relativistic hydrodynamics, we also consider the existence of nonequilibrated matter (corona) through dynamical initialization with the core-corona picture.

We have updated our model from the previous work. The updates include sophistication of four-momentum deposition of initial partons in dynamical core-corona initialization, samplings of hadrons from hypersurface of core parts (fluids) with iS3D, hadronic afterburner for final hadrons from core and corona parts with a hadronic transport model JAM, and modification on color string structures in corona parts due to coexistence with core parts (fluids) in coordinate space.

Discussion on the interplay between core and corona components is made once fixing major parameters so that our model reasonably describes multiplicity as a function of multiplicity or centrality class and omega baryon yield ratios to charged pions as functions of multiplicity. First we extracted the fractions of core and corona components to the final hadron yields as functions of multiplicity and centrality classes. We found that, as increasing multiplicity, the core components become dominant at $\langle dN_{ch}/d\eta \rangle_{|\eta|<0.5} \approx 18$, which corresponds to about 0.95–4.7% multiplicity class in $p + p$ collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV and $\approx 80\%$ centrality class in Pb + Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV. Next, we showed the fractions of core and corona components in charged-particle p_T spectra. In minimum-bias Pb + Pb collisions, the fraction of core components is dominant below $p_T \approx 5.5$ GeV, while that of corona components is dominant above that. Interestingly, we found that there was an enhancement in the fraction of corona contribution with $R_{corona} \approx 0.2$ at most in $p_T \lesssim 1$ GeV even in minimum-bias Pb + Pb collisions. From this, the fraction of the corona contribution is anticipated to increase in peripheral collisions. This brings up a problem in all conventional hydrodynamic calculations in which low- p_T soft hadrons are regarded purely as core components. Since the fraction of each component would exist finite for a wide range of multiplicity and, as a result, there should be interplay between them, we suggest that both small colliding systems and heavy-ion collisions should be investigated in a unified theoretical framework by incorporating both core and corona components.

To investigate the effects of coexistence of core and corona components on observables, we showed $\langle p_T \rangle$ and $v_2\{2\}$ as functions of N_{ch} . In particular, in Pb + Pb collisions, we found that the finite contribution of corona components at midrapidity gives a certain correction on the results obtained purely from core components, which is described by hydrodynamics. The correction is ≈ 5 –11% for $\langle p_T \rangle$ below $N_{ch} \approx 200$, while it is ≈ 15 –30% for $v_2\{2\}$ below $N_{ch} \approx 370$. The former correction leads to the reasonable agreement of $\langle p_T \rangle$ with the experimental data. This suggests that one might need to incorporate corona components in hydrodynamic frameworks to extract transport coefficients from comparisons with experimental data. Finally, we explored effects of radial flow based on violation of m_T scaling with hadron rest mass by classifying events into high- and low-multiplicity ones. Noteworthy, we found that it is difficult to discriminate the radial flow originated from hydrodynamics from collectivity arisen from color reconnection in PYTHIA8. We also discussed evolution

of transverse energy in the DCCI2. In string fragmentation, final transverse energy is larger than initial transverse energy as producing hadrons around midrapidity. While in hydrodynamics, transverse energy just decreases from its initial value during the evolution due to the longitudinal pdV work. To obtain the same amount of transverse energy in the final state in DCCI2 with default PYTHIA8 Angantyr in minimum-bias Pb + Pb collisions, it is necessary to have three times larger initial transverse energy than the one of default PYTHIA8 Angantyr.

For more quantitative discussion on transport properties of the QGP fluids, we admit an absence of viscous corrections to fully equilibrium distribution in our analysis. We leave this as one of our future works. Nevertheless, we emphasize that the corrections from corona components mean the ones from “far from” equilibrium components which should exist nonetheless and would more significantly affect the final hadron distributions than the viscous corrections.

It is known that transverse momentum spectra solely from hydrodynamics or hybrid (hydrodynamics followed by hadronic cascade) models do not perfectly reproduce the experimental data below $p_T \approx 0.5$ GeV [77], although hydrodynamics is believed to provide a better description in the low- p_T region in general. The deviation between pure hydrodynamic results and the data in the low- p_T region could be

filled with the corona components. Detailed analyses of centrality dependent particle identified p_T spectra from DCCI2, which require high statistics, and its comparison with the experimental data will be made in a future publication.

With this model, we anticipate that it would be interesting to explore planned O + O collisions at LHC [118] since the collision system can provide data around “sweet spot” in which the core components are to be dominant and yet corrections from corona components cannot be ignored at all [119]. In addition, investigation on strangeness enhancement in forward or backward regions might give some insights into ultra-high-energy cosmic ray measurements [120,121]. Incorporation of a dynamical description of kinematic and chemical pre-equilibrium stage [122,123] and investigation of medium modification of jets [124,125] are in our interests as well. We leave the discussion on those topics as a future work.

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