

Exploration of the properties of the medium produced in large and small collision-systems with azimuthal anisotropy scaling functions

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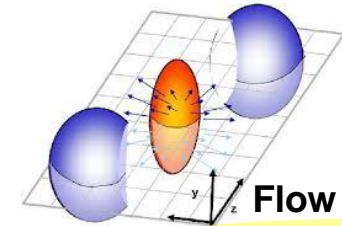
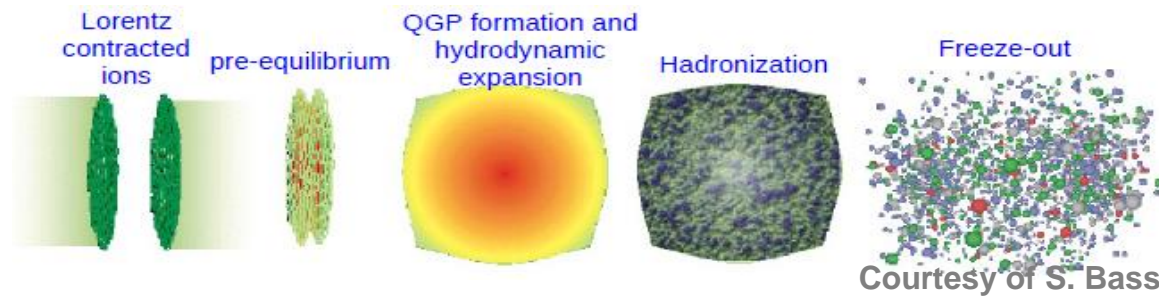


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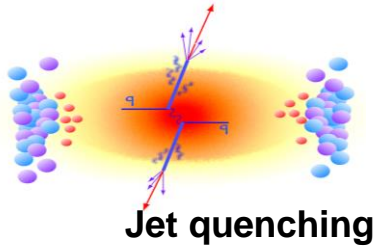
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 - ✓ *Large to small collision systems*
 - ✓ *The role of fluctuations in small collision-systems*
- **STAR Measurements (p/d/³He+Au)**
 - ✓ *Data & analysis*
 - ✓ *Non-flow mitigation and v_n extraction*
- **p/d/³He+Au results**
 - ✓ V_2 & v_3
 - ✓ *Comparison to other measurements*
- **Implications [medium explorations]**
 - ✓ *Anisotropy scaling functions*
 - ✓ *What/how we learn from them*
- *Epilogue*

Backdrop - A+A(B) Collisions



P. Staig and E. Shuryak, *PRC* 84, 034908 (2011)
 Roy A. Lacey, et al., *arXiv:1305.3341*



Azimuthal anisotropy is influenced by initial-state eccentricity and final-state effects

$$v_n = \varepsilon_n e^{-n \left[n \left(\frac{4\eta}{3s} + \frac{\xi}{s} \right) + \kappa p_T^2 \right] \frac{1}{RT}} \quad RT \propto \langle N_{\text{chg}} \rangle^{1/3}$$

Viscous attenuation

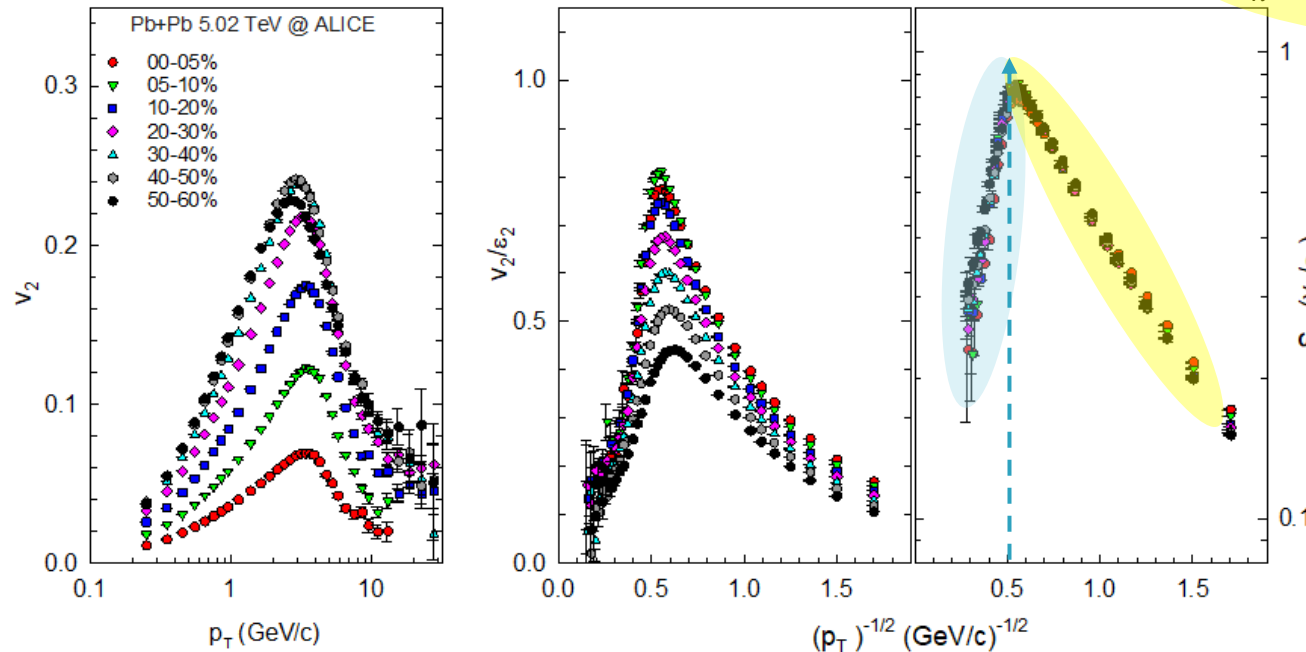
Radiative E-loss

$$R_{AA}(p_T, L) \simeq \exp \left[-\frac{2\alpha_s C_F}{\sqrt{\pi}} L \sqrt{\hat{q} \frac{\mathcal{L}}{p_T}} \right]$$

$$\mathcal{L} \equiv \frac{d}{d \ln p_T} \ln \left[\frac{d\sigma_{pp}}{dp_T^2}(p_T) \right]$$

$$\frac{R_{AA}(90^\circ, p_T)}{R_{AA}(0^\circ, p_T)} = \frac{1 - 2v_2(p_T)}{1 + 2v_2(p_T)}$$

Dokshitzer & Kharzeev, *Phys. Lett.* B519, 199 (2001)



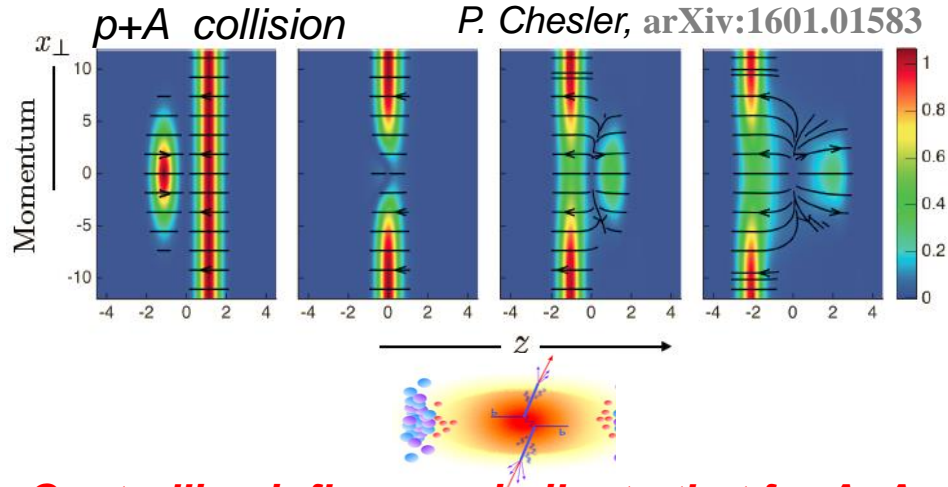
$$\frac{\eta}{s} \sim \left(0.25 / \sqrt{\hat{q} / T^3} \right)$$

- ✓ Characteristic scaling patterns for viscous attenuation and jet quenching delineate the respective role of shape (ε_n), size (RT), $\frac{\eta}{s}$, \hat{q} , etc.

- ✓ Scaling coefficients provide constraints for $\frac{\eta}{s}(T, \mu_B)$ and \hat{q}

Backdrop – Small collision systems

- **Hydrodynamic expansion-dynamics prevail for sizes as small as $RT \sim 1$?**



Controlling influence similar to that for A+A collisions – with different coefficients?

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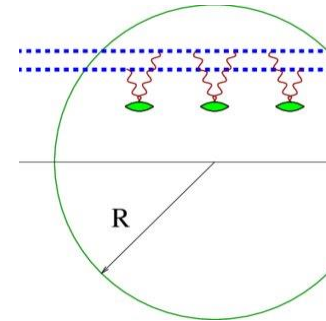
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- **STAR measurements can aid quantification of the influence of the respective control variables to:**

- ✓ discern between these final- and initial-state models
- ✓ give insight and constraints for the properties of the matter produced in these collisions

- **The CGC-EFT mechanism prevails**
✓ **Initial-state momentum-driven**



CGC-EFT
M. Mace et al.,
PLB 788, 161-165

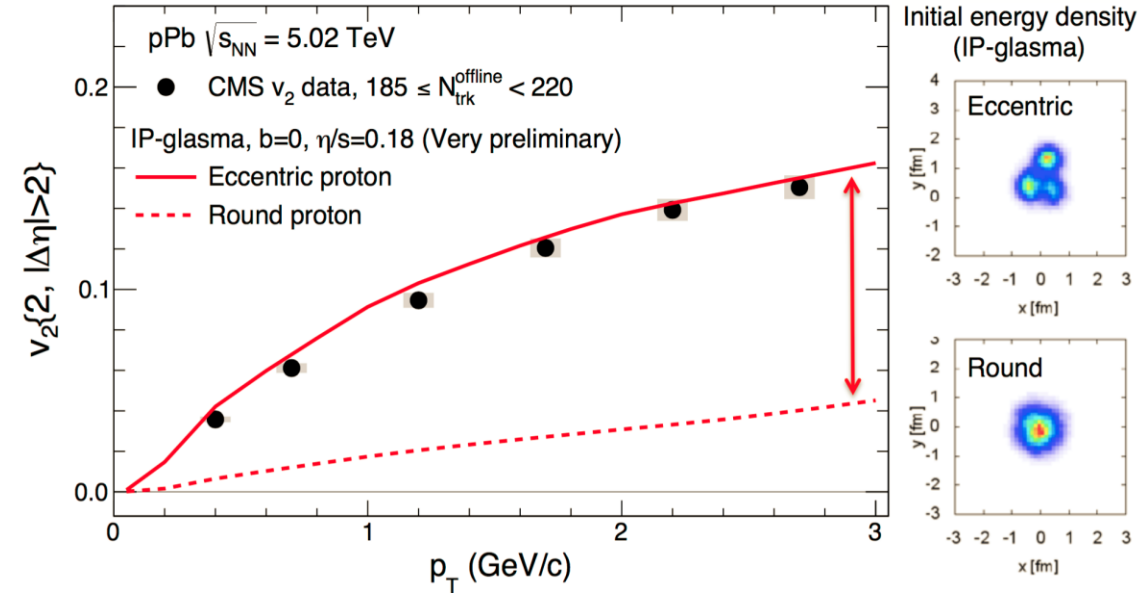
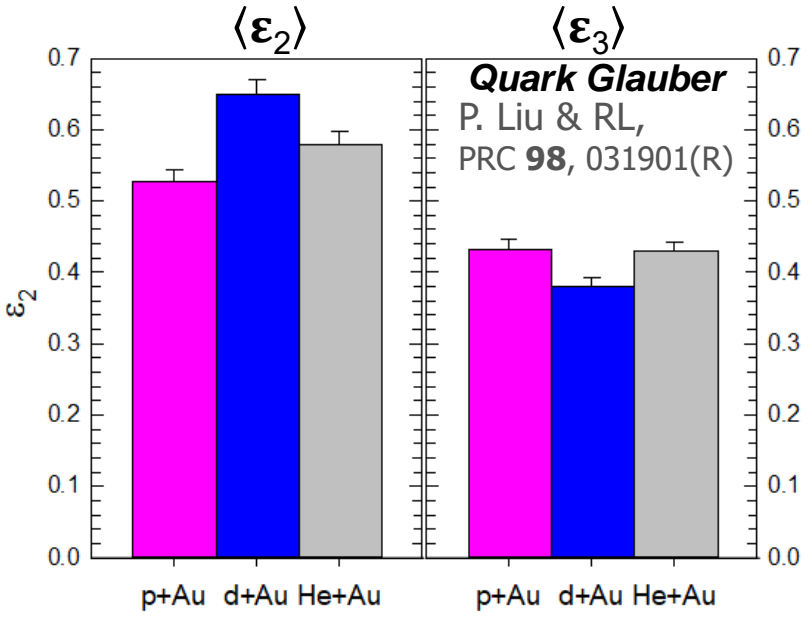
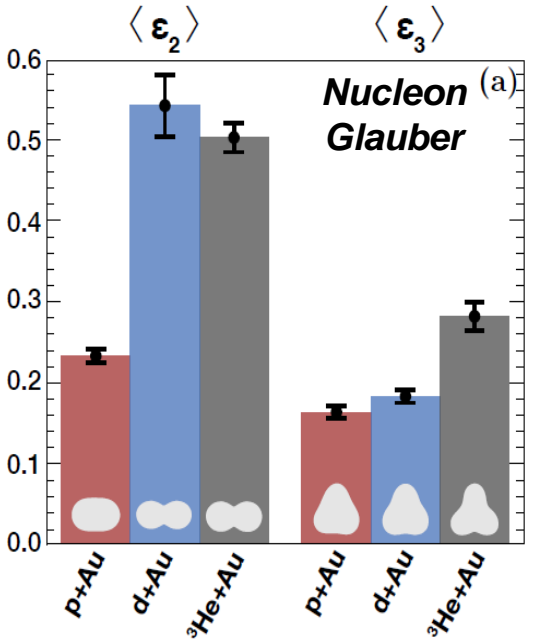
Eikonal-like scattering of quarks off of a gluon dense nuclear target

Characteristically different controlling influence from

$$Q_{s,T} \ll p_T^{\text{max}}, \quad Q_{s,p}(B_p)$$

$$v_{2n}\{2\} \propto N_{\text{chg}}^0, \quad v_{2n+1}\{2\} \propto N_{\text{chg}}^{1/2}, \quad \delta(v_n), \quad C_r(n, m)$$

Is shape engineering viable in small systems?
 ✓ [or] **Do eccentricity fluctuations dominate?**



➤ Creation of quark–gluon plasma droplets with three distinct geometries: PHENIX, *Nature Physics* 15, 214-220 (2019)

➤ Shape engineering NOT viable in ALL current measurements
 ✓ ϵ_2 and ϵ_3 approx. system-independent due to sub-nucleonic fluctuations

➤ **Nucleonic substructure plays an important role**
 ✓ **Model comparisons without fluctuation constraints are meaningless for “small systems”**

➤ **New measurements (especially v_3) can provide additional constraints to address “shape engineering” in small systems**

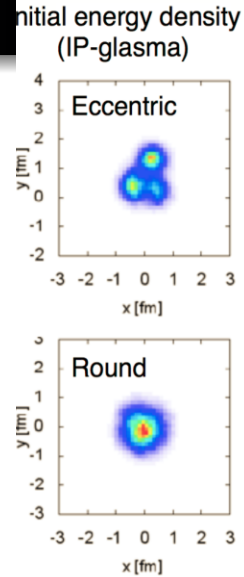
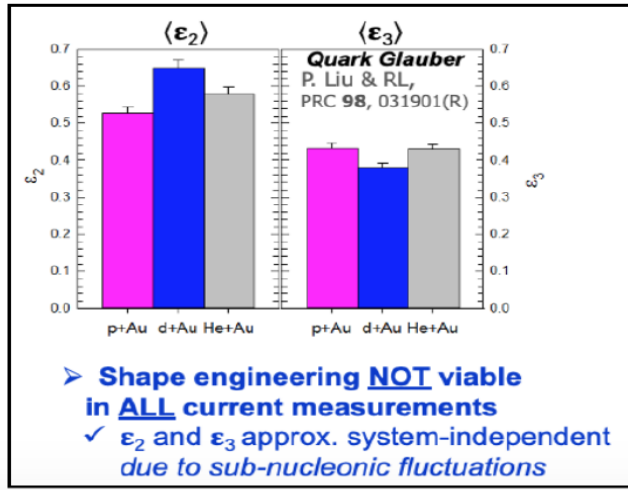
Initial eccentricities

Initial Geometry Models

System	Nagle Nucleons w/o NBD fluctuations	Welsh Nucleons w/ NBD fluctuations	Welsh Quarks w/ NBD and Gluon fluctuations	STAR QM19 No Details
ϵ_2 p+Au	0.23	0.32	0.38	0.52
ϵ_2 d+Au	0.54	0.48	0.51	0.65
ϵ_2 $^3\text{He}+\text{Au}$	0.50	0.50	0.52	0.58
ϵ_3 p+Au	0.16	0.24	0.30	0.43
ϵ_3 d+Au	0.18	0.28	0.31	0.38
ϵ_3 $^3\text{He}+\text{Au}$	0.28	0.32	0.35	0.43

- Nagle et al: <https://journals.aps.org/prl/abstract/10.1103/PhysRevLett.113.112301>
- Welsh et al: <https://journals.aps.org/prc/abstract/10.1103/PhysRevC.94.024919>
- STAR QM19: <https://indico.cern.ch/event/792436/contributions/3535629/>

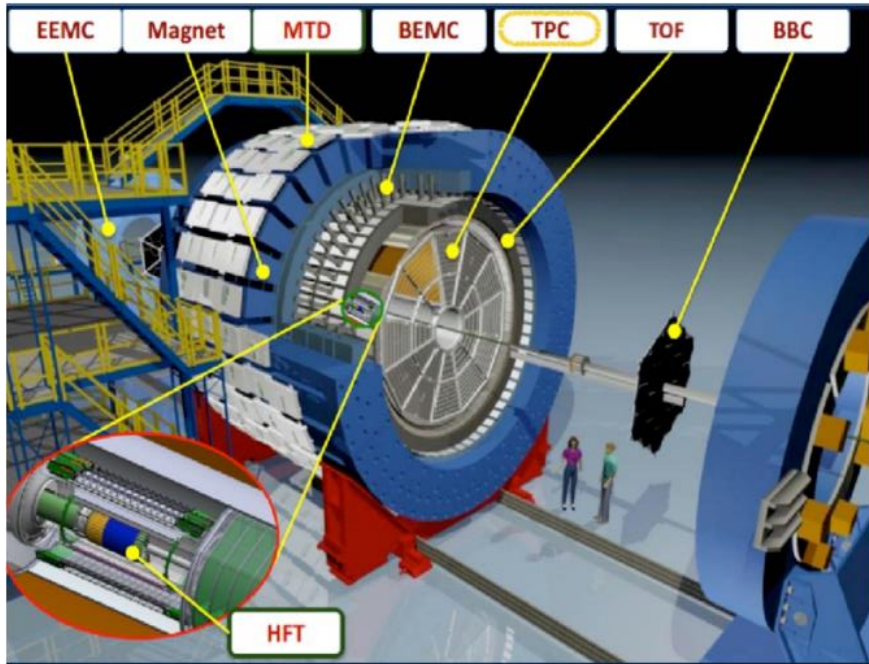
STAR QM19
No mention of p+Au, d+Au, $^3\text{He}+\text{Au}$ in the PRC reference given!



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STAR Experiment at RHIC

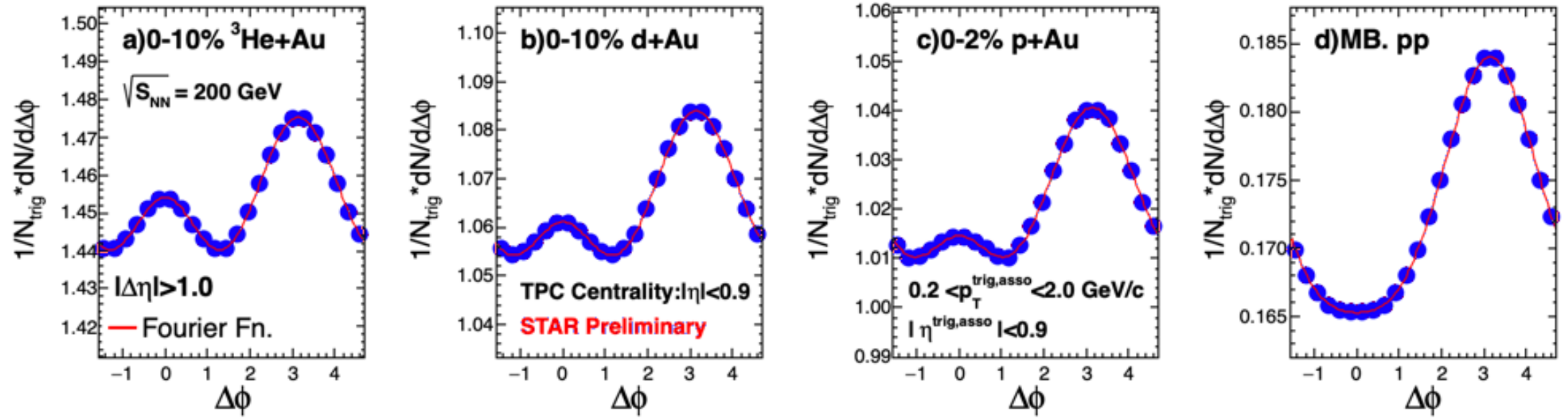


➤ The STAR detector is used for the current measurements

Measurements for $p/d/{}^3\text{He}+\text{Au}$ collisions @ 200 GeV

- ▶ Centrality:
 - i) Number of tracks in $0.2-3.0 \text{ GeV}/c$, $|\eta| < 0.9$
 - ii) BBC charge in Au-going direction $-5.0 < \eta < -3.3$
- ▶ Multiplicity:
 - Number of tracks for $0.2 < p_T < 3.0 \text{ GeV}/c$, $|\eta| < 0.9$
 - ✓ efficiency corrected
- ▶ Two-particle correlation functions constructed for trigger and associated particles with $0.2 < p_T < 2.0 \text{ GeV}/c$, $|\eta| < 0.9$ and $|\Delta\eta| > 1.0$
- ✓ Differential $v_2\{2\}(p_T)$, $v_3\{2\}(p_T)$ and integral $v_2\{2\}$, $v_2\{4\}$, $v_3\{2\}$ (for $0.2 < p_T < 3.0 \text{ GeV}/c$, $|\eta| < 0.9$) extracted from correlation functions following non-flow subtraction

Long-range two-particle correlators and v_n extraction (I)



The well-known techniques of leveraging the two-particle $p+p$ correlator to mitigate non-flow, are employed → **Three methods!**

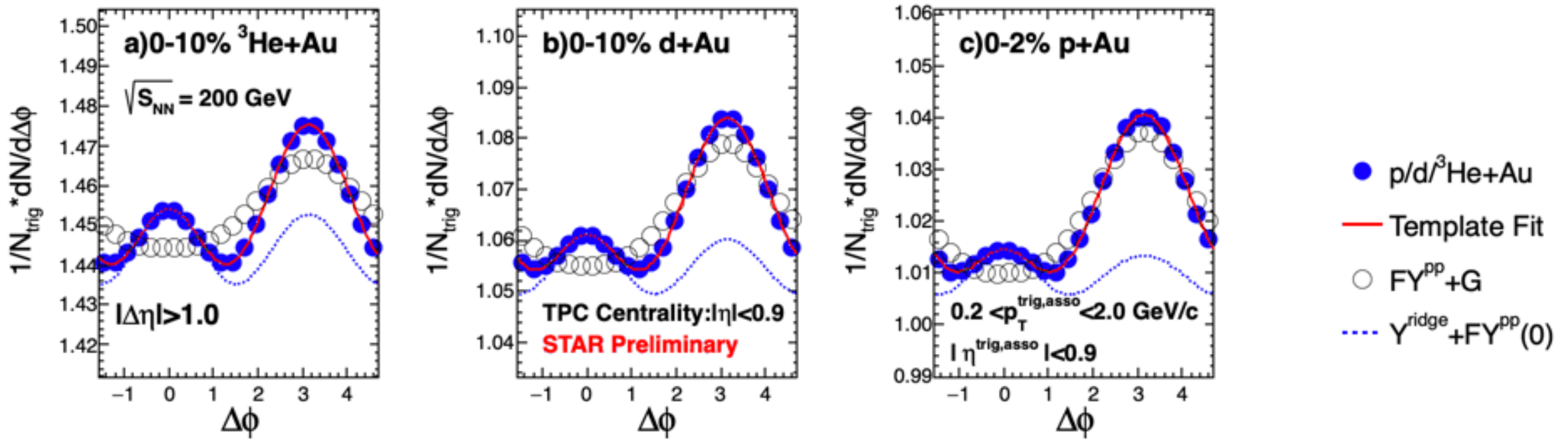
$$\frac{1}{N_{trig}} \frac{dN}{d\Delta\phi} = c_0 (1 + 2 * \sum_{n=1}^4 c_n \cos(n\phi))$$

- ✓ 1. via c_0 : $c_{n,sub}^{sys.} = c_n^{sys.} - (c_0^{pp} / c_0^{sys.}) \times c_n^{pp}$; $n=2,3$
- ✓ 2. via c_1 : $c_{n,sub}^{sys.} = c_n^{sys.} - (c_1^{sys.} / c_1^{pp}) \times c_n^{pp}$; $n=2,3$

$$v_{n,sub}^{sys.} = \sqrt{c_{n,sub}^{sys.}}$$

- **Characteristic ridge apparent for $p/d/{}^3\text{He}+\text{Au}$; little, if any, for min. bias $p+p$**
 - ✓ Suggests the leveraging of the $p+p$ correlator for non-flow mitigation
- **Methodologies validated with closure test**
 - ✓ **Results are method-independent within uncertainties**

Long-range two-particle correlators and v_n extraction (II)



3. Template Fit (*ATLAS, PRL 116, 172301 (2016)*)

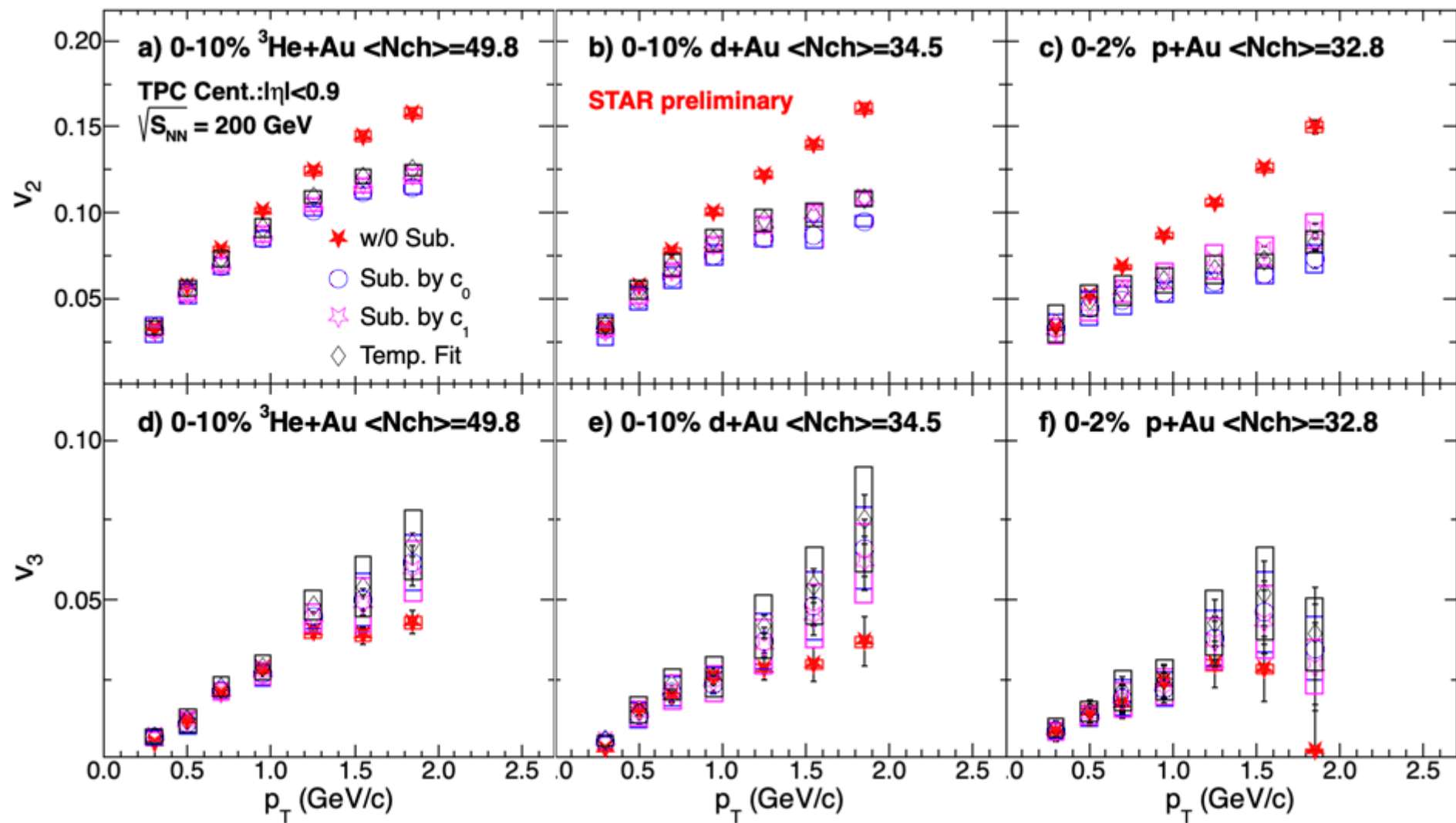
$$Y_{templ.}(\Delta\phi) = F \times Y_{pp.}(\Delta\phi) + Y_{ridge}(\Delta\phi)$$

$$Y_{ridge}(\Delta\phi) = G \times (1 + 2 \times \sum_{n=2}^4 c_n^{sub} \times \cos(n\Delta\phi))$$

“ F ” represents the jet modification for the long-range away-side jet between $p/d/{}^3\text{He+Au}$ and $p+p$

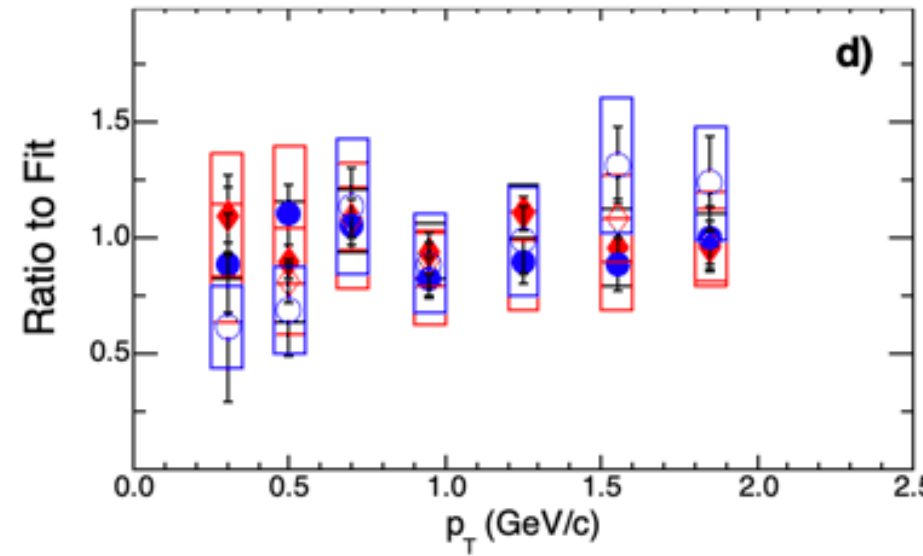
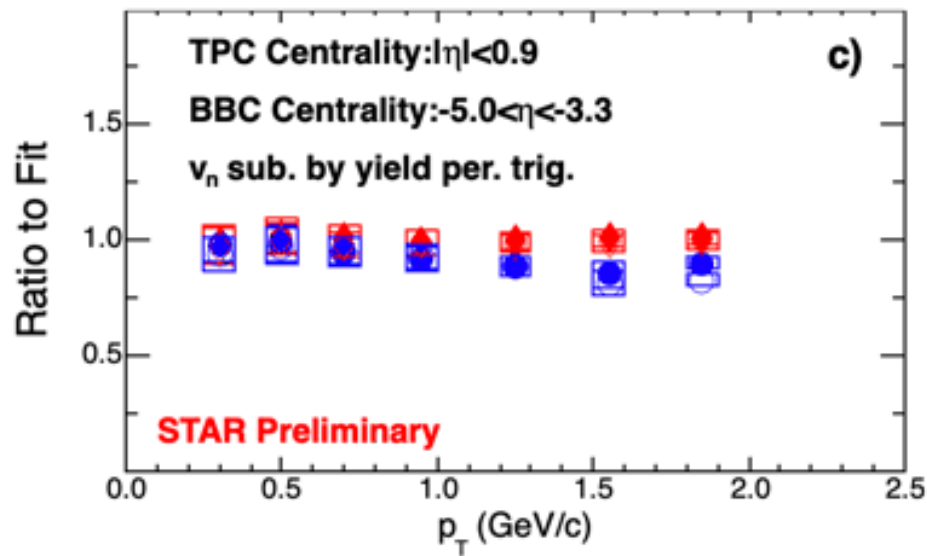
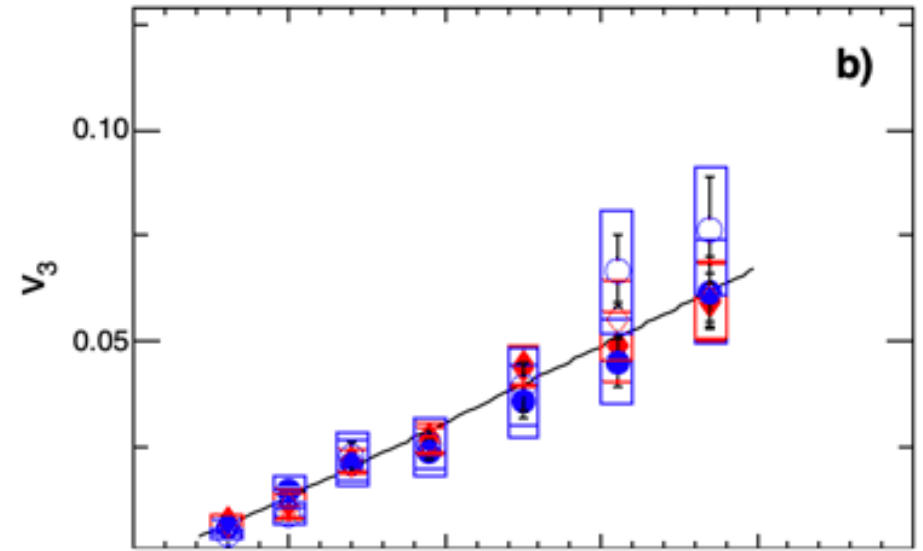
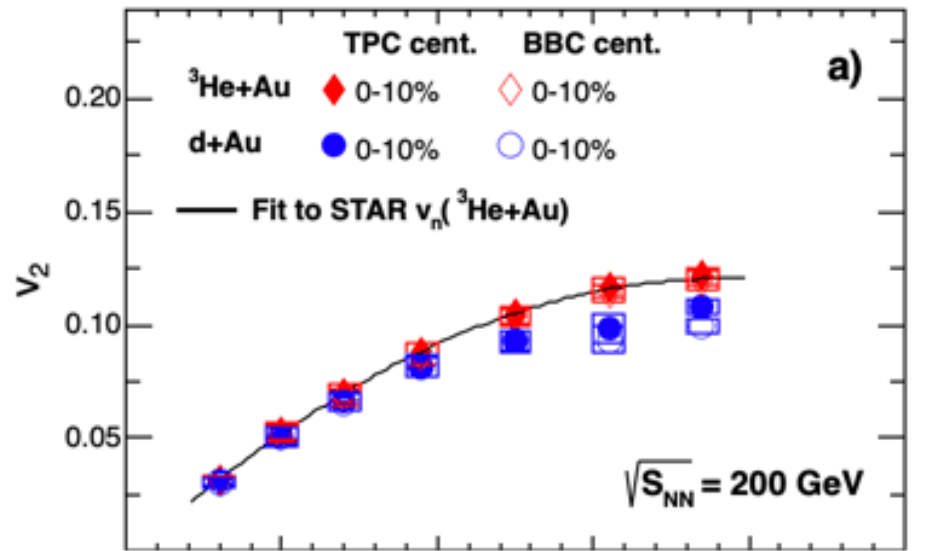
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STAR differential v_n measurements for $p/d/{}^3\text{He} + \text{Au}$



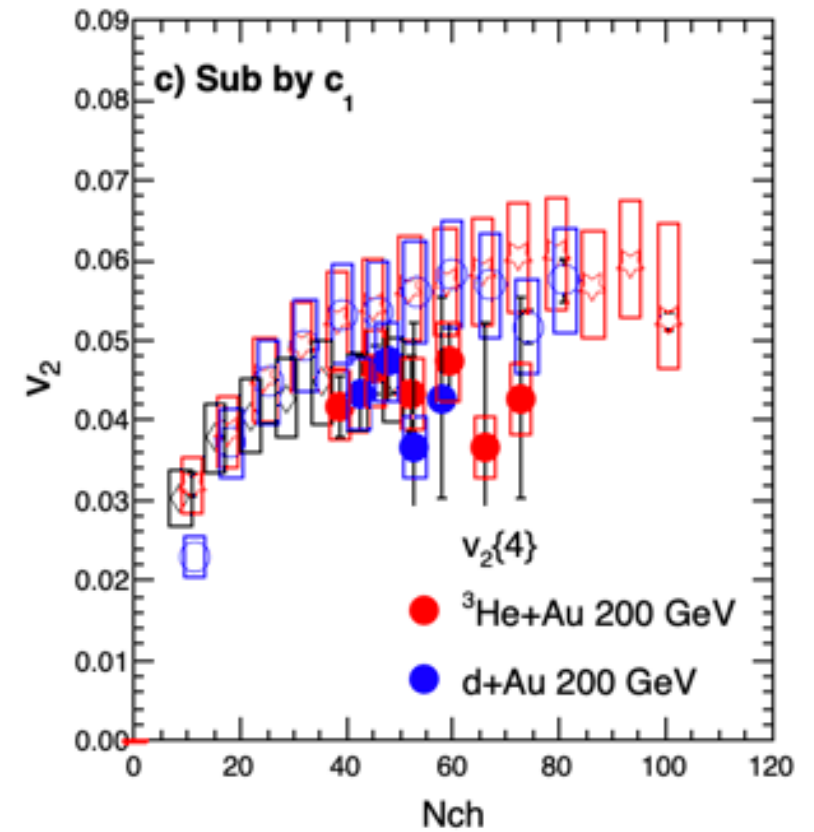
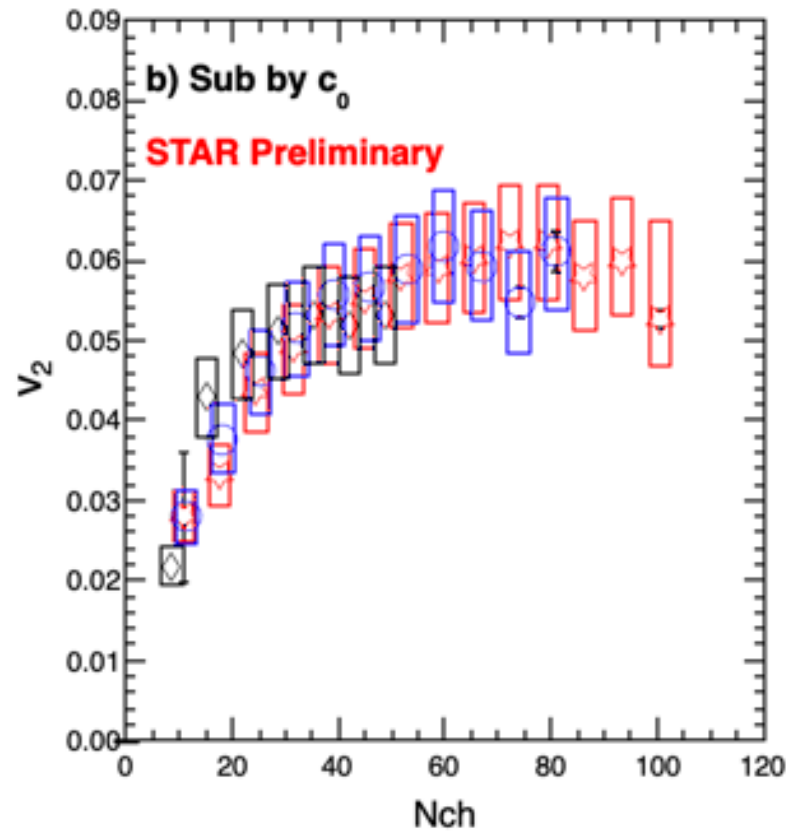
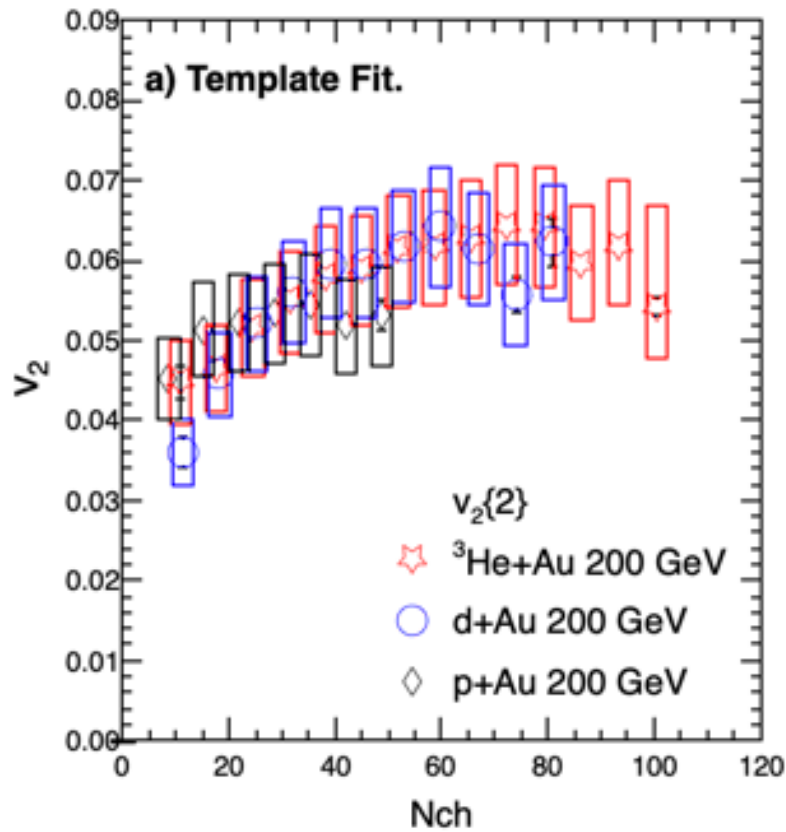
- **Non-flow mitigation is important and is system dependent**
 - ✓ **The $v_{2,3}$ results are method-independent within uncertainties**
 - ✓ **Note that the un-subtracted v_3 is a lower limit**

Differential $v_{2,3}$ measurements for different centrality definitions



✓ Results for 0-10% central $d/{}^3\text{He+Au}$, using different definitions for centrality, are similar

STAR integral v_2 measurements for $p/d/{}^3\text{He} + \text{Au}$



➤ System-independent values of $v_2\{2\}$ for similar multiplicity, regardless of method

➤ $v_2\{4\}$ N_{ch} -independent over the range of the measurements

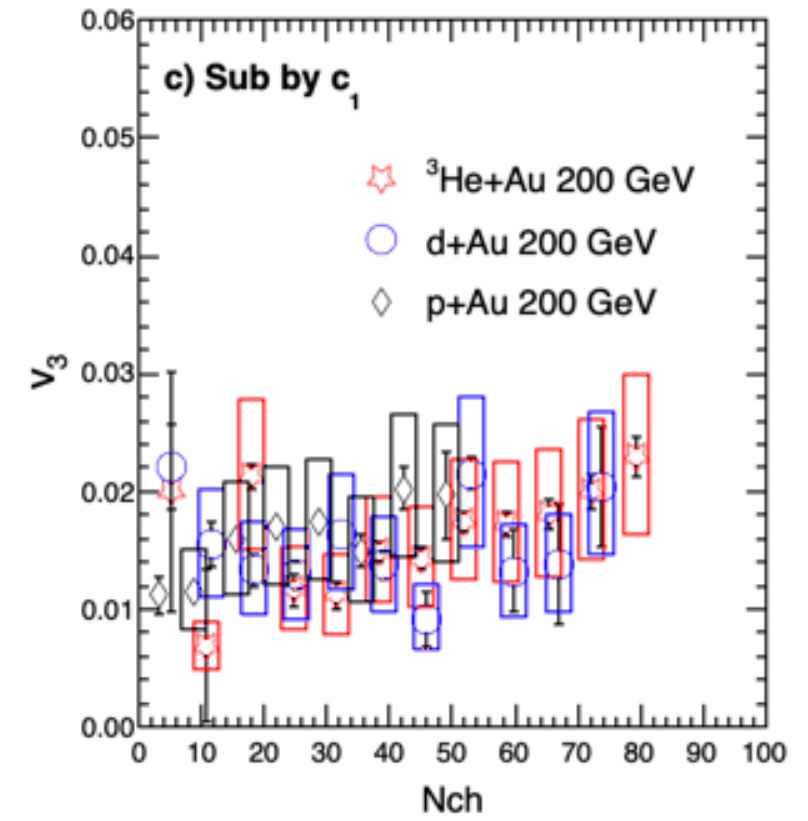
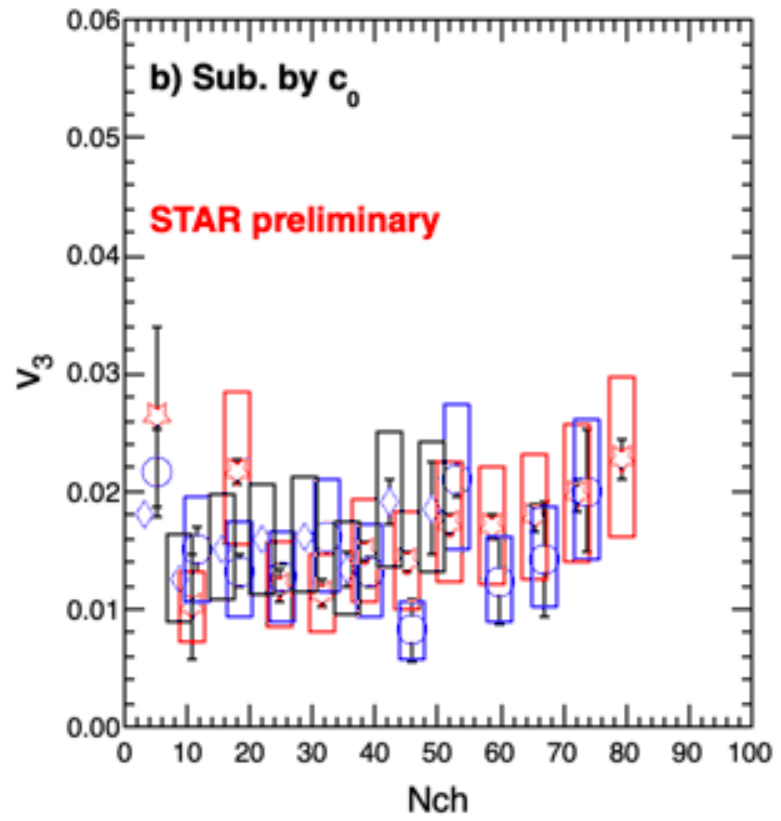
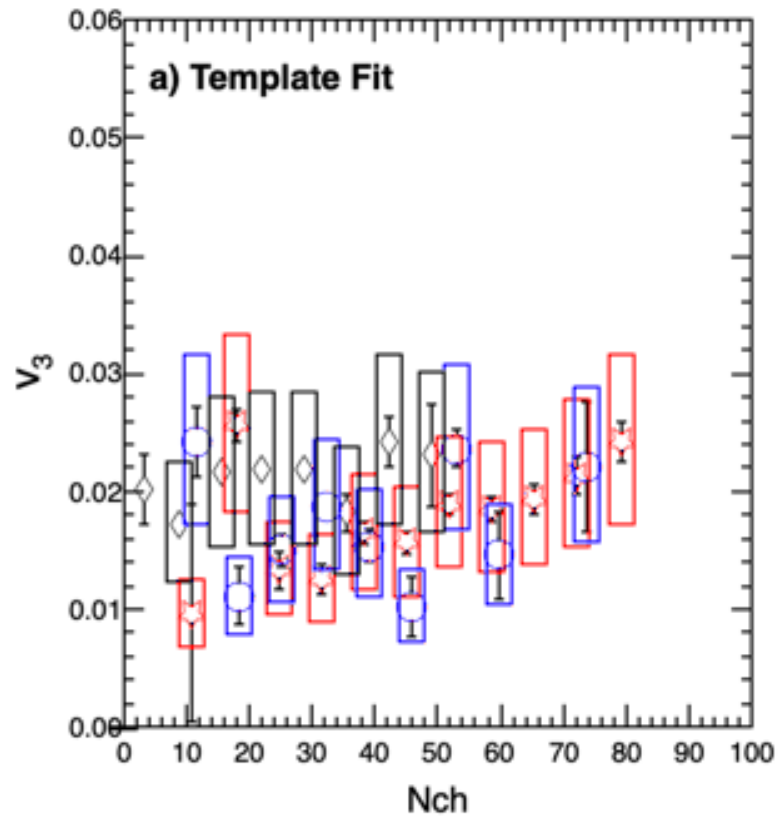
✓ $\frac{v_2\{4\}}{v_2\{2\}}$ consistent with expectation for eccentricity fluctuations, within uncertainties

✓ Results incompatible with CGC-EFT over the full range of the measurements

$$v_{2n}\{2\} \propto N_{ch}^0$$

M. Mace et al., PLB 788, 161-165

STAR integral v_3 measurements for $p/d/{}^3\text{He} + \text{Au}$



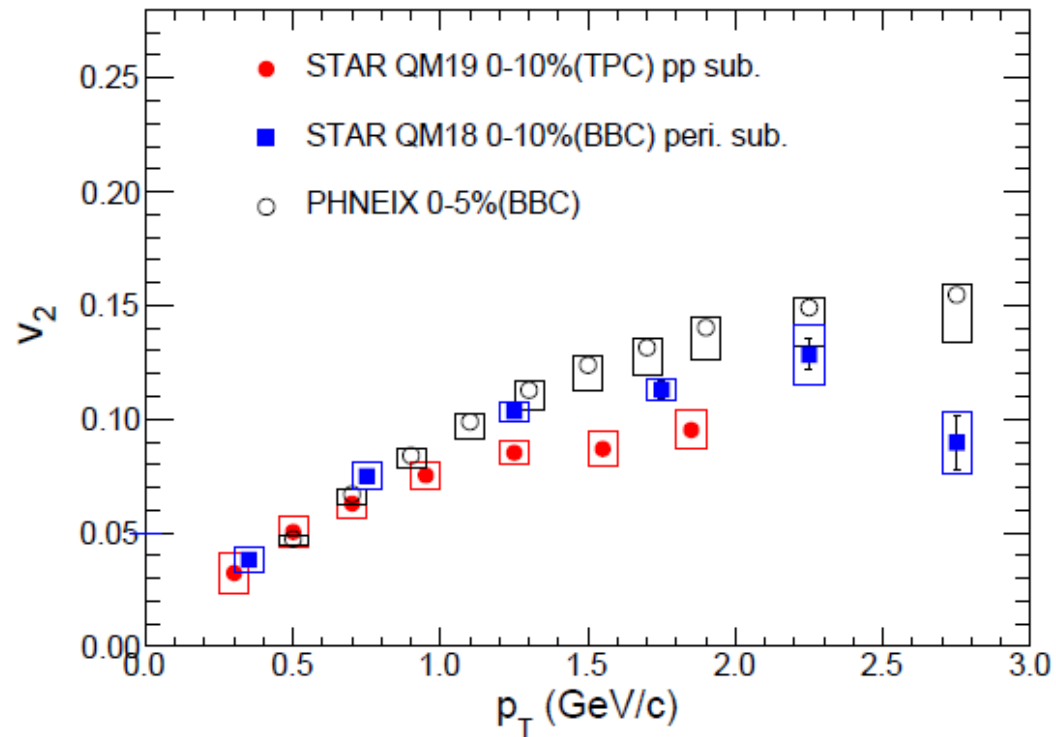
- $v_3\{2\}$ is method-independent within the uncertainty of the measurements
 - Significantly weaker multiplicity dependence for v_3 than for v_2

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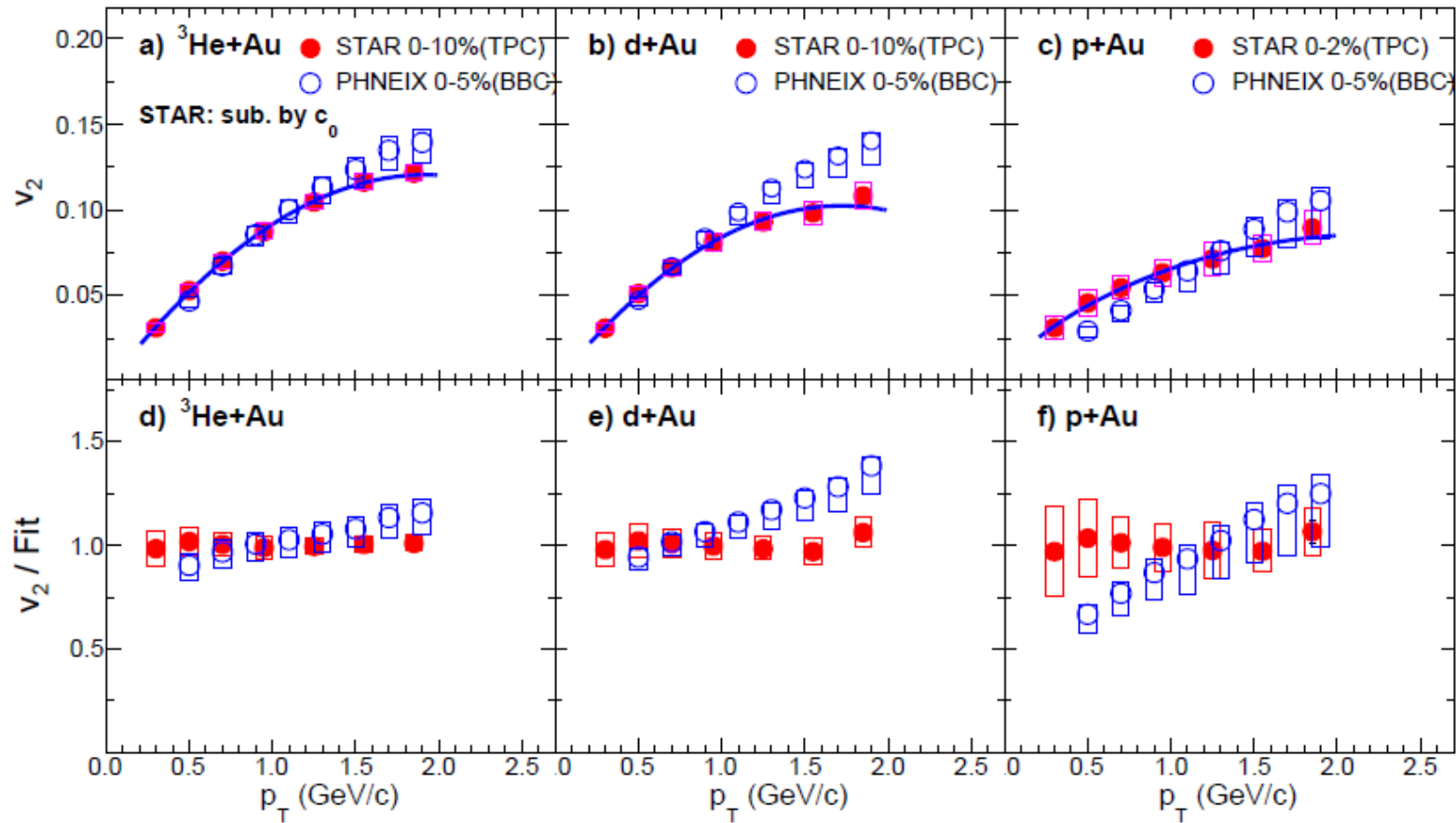
$$v_{2n+1}\{2\} \propto N_{\text{chg}}^{1/2}$$

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✓ Magnitudes of v_3 differ from those of prior measurements

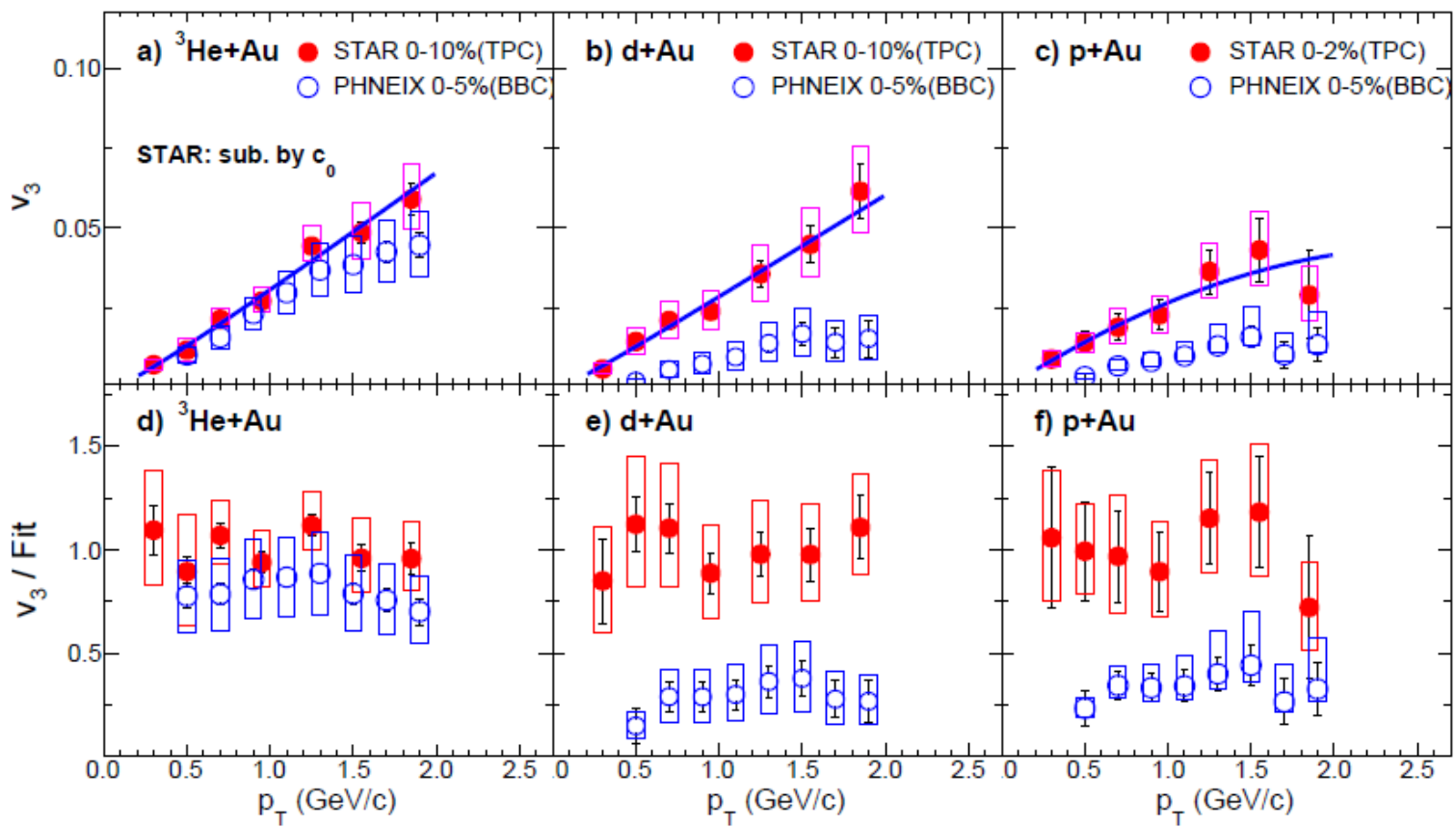


- Reasonable agreement between the current and earlier results
 - STAR QM18 obtained via peripheral subtraction
 - ✓ Possibly an underestimate
 - ✓ STAR QM19 obtained via p+p subtraction



- The STAR and PHENIX measurements for $v_2\{2\}$ are in reasonable agreement for all systems
 - ✓ Some difference for $p_T > 1$ GeV/c [$d+Au$] and $p_T < 1$ GeV/c [$p+Au$]
- System-dependent trends consistent with “shape-size” dependencies

Data Comparisons – v_3



➤ The STAR and PHENIX v_3 measurements for p/d+Au differ by more than a factor of 3-4

- ✓ System independent STAR v_3
- ✓ System dependent PHENIX v_3

PHENIX: PRC95, 034910, *Nature Physics* 15, 214–220

PHENIX EP	$^3\text{He}+\text{Au}$	$d+\text{Au}$	$p+\text{Au}$
(ψ_2^{BBCS})	0.110	0.1073	0.062
(ψ_3^{BBCS})	0.034	0.057	0.067

✓ Note that EP resolution is proportional to v_n and $\sqrt{N_{ch}}$

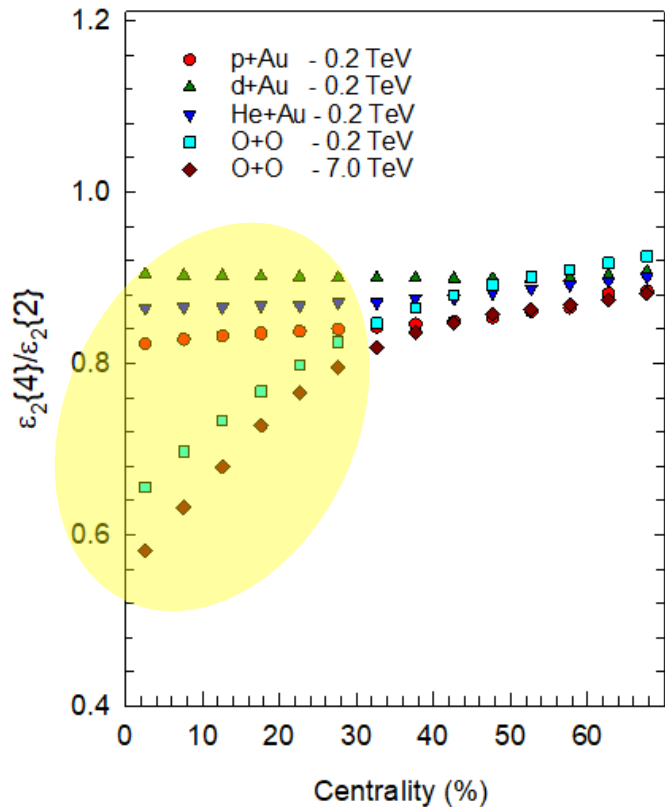
v_2 and v_3 for p+Au and d+Au differ by more than a factor of 7, while the respective event-plane resolutions are nearly identical

- The STAR measurements are consistent with the important role of “size” (N_{ch}) in addition to the fluctuations-driven eccentricity ($\epsilon_{2,3}$)
 - ✓ This observation is also consistent with recent hydrodynamic calculations which incorporates sub-nucleonic fluctuations

Improving constraints – fluctuations?

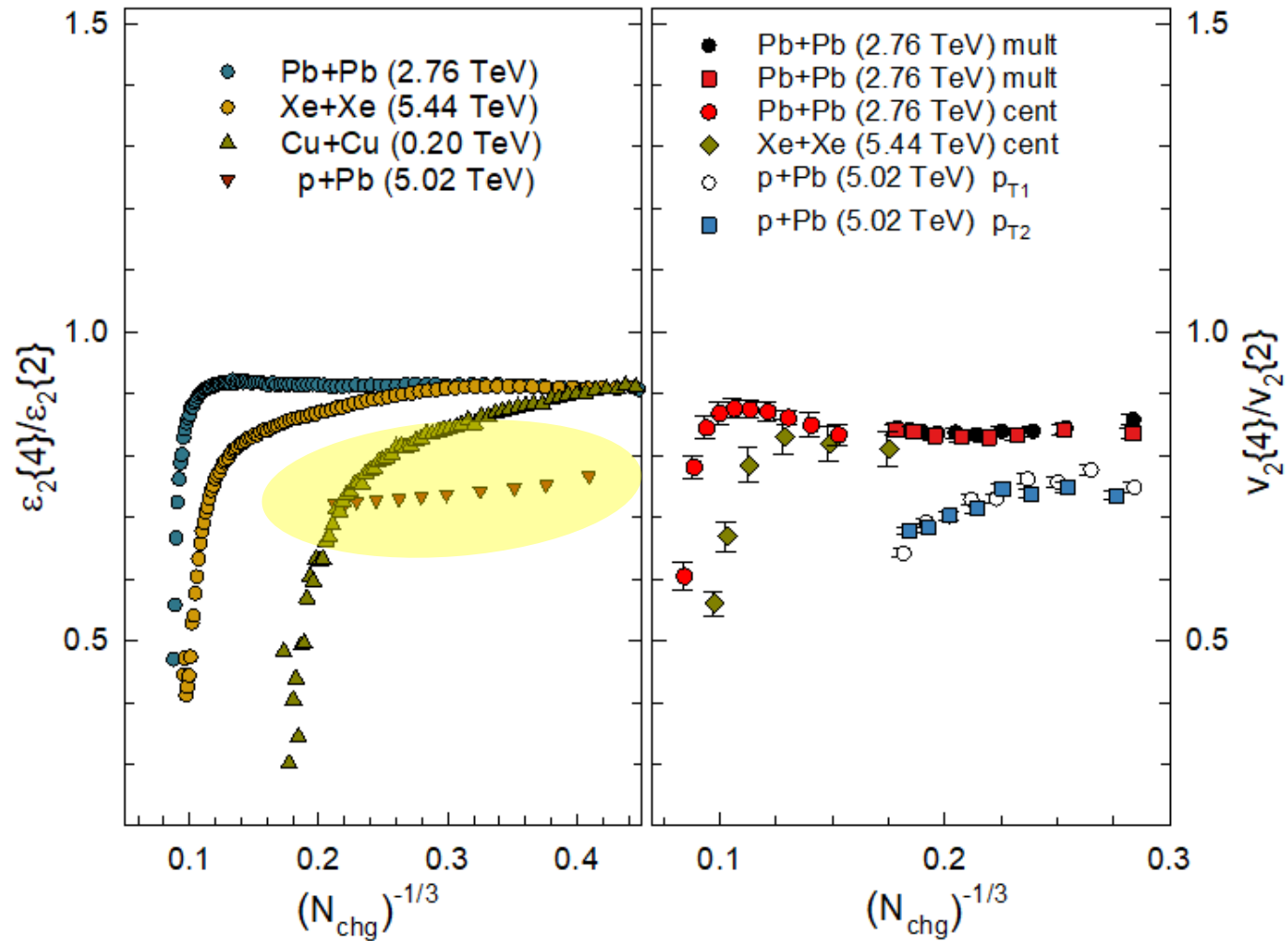
➤ **The fluctuations constraint is crucial**

✓ **Additional measurements are invaluable**



✓ **Eccentricity fluctuations dominate flow fluctuations**

➤ **Fluctuation measurements for O+O could provide additional model constraints**



➤ **Future precision measurements of fluctuations and v_n correlations for small systems @ RHIC, are crucial**

✓ **Initial-eccentricity constraint**

Implications for the properties of the medium produced in small systems

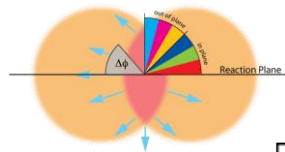
Questions of interest

- ✓ Are the medium properties for small and large systems different?
- ✓ Jet quenching in small systems?

Anisotropy scaling functions can give detailed insight

- ✓ They leverage the specific dependencies of viscous attenuation and jet quenching on the control variables

Anisotropy Scaling Functions



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High p_T

$$v_n \propto \epsilon_n e^{-n \left[n \left(\frac{4\eta}{3s} + \frac{\xi}{s} \right) + \kappa p_T^z \right] \frac{1}{RT}}, \quad RT \propto \langle N_{\text{chg}} \rangle^{1/3}$$

Low p_T

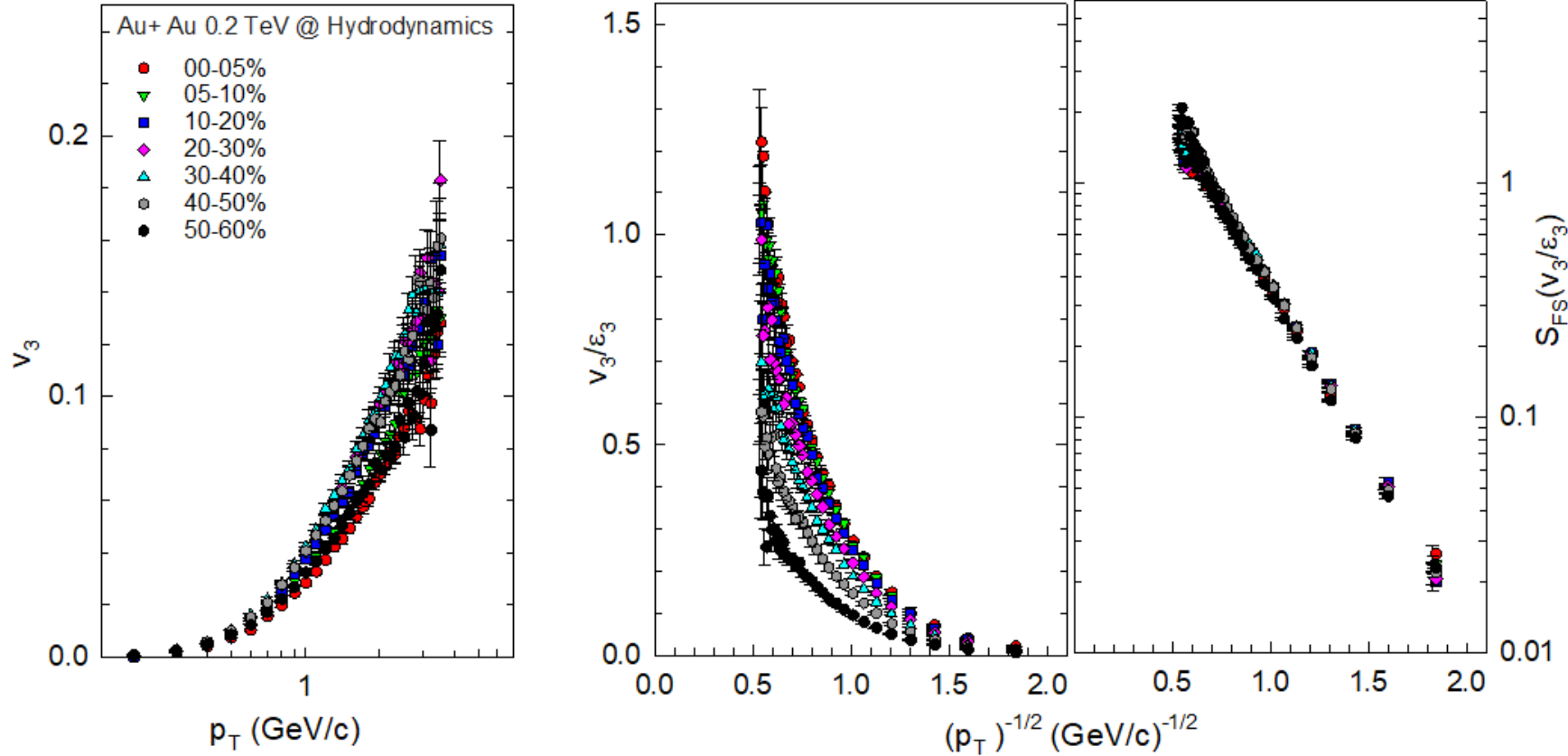
- ✓ Data should collapse on to a single curve for fully constrained scaling coefficients

- Scaling coefficients give access to transport coefficients $\frac{\eta}{s}(T, \mu_B), \hat{q}, \text{etc.}$

Anisotropy Scaling Functions

Simulated data from Bjoern Schenke et al.

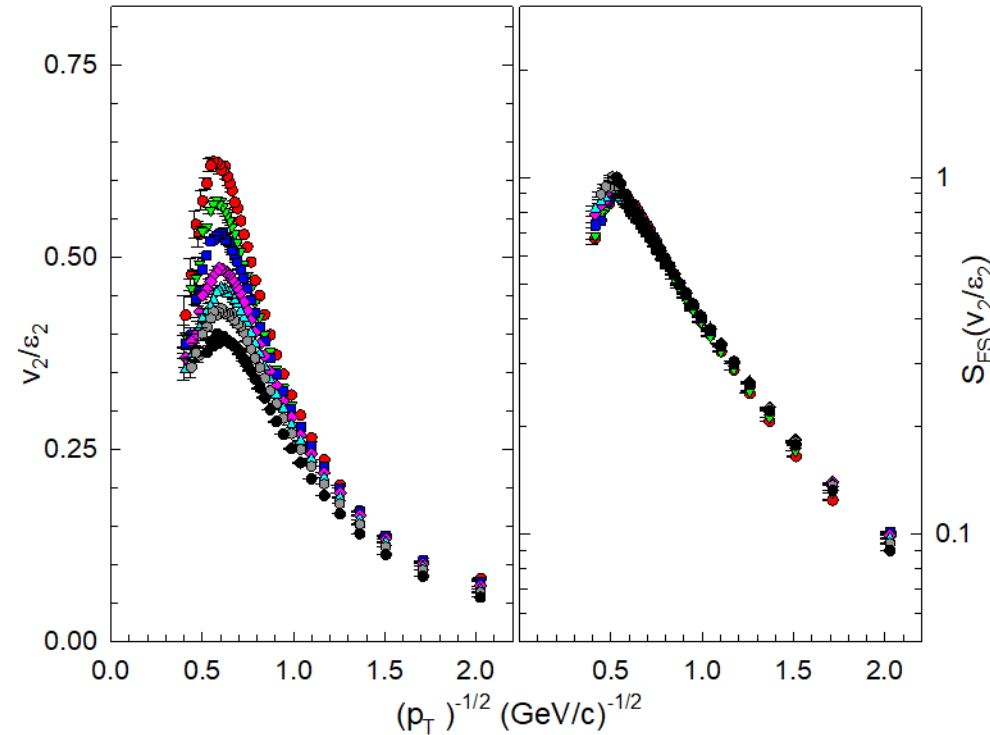
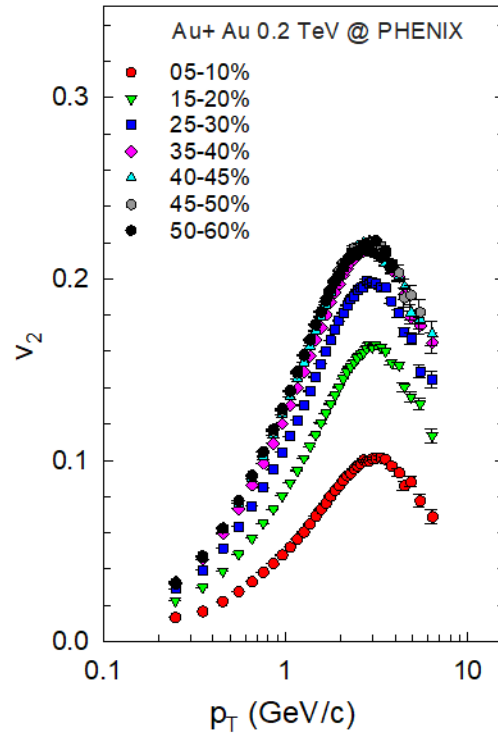
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✓ Characteristic patterns of viscous damping validated for viscous hydrodynamics!

✓ Calibration of scaling coefficients since $\frac{\eta}{s}$ is known.

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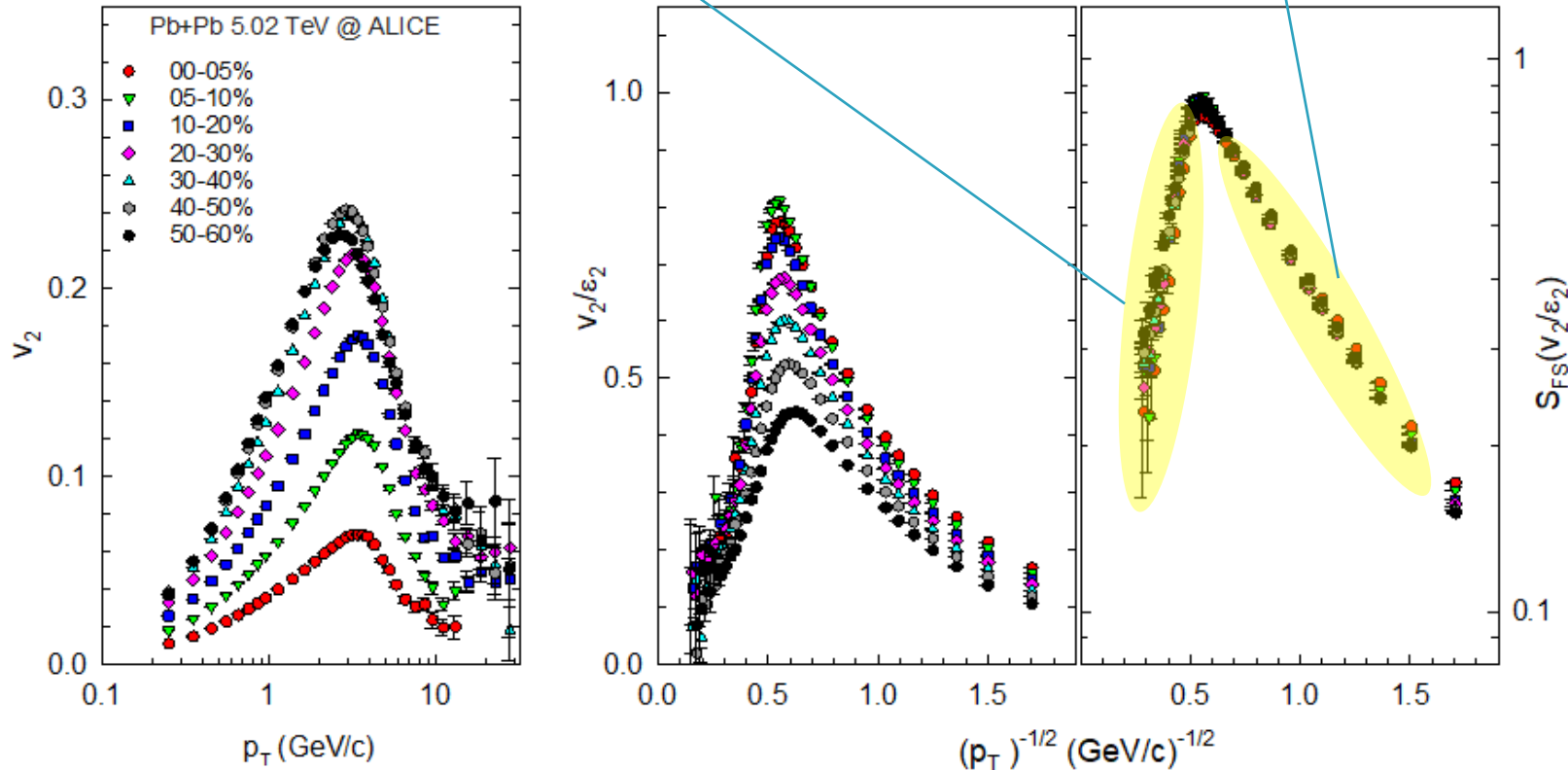
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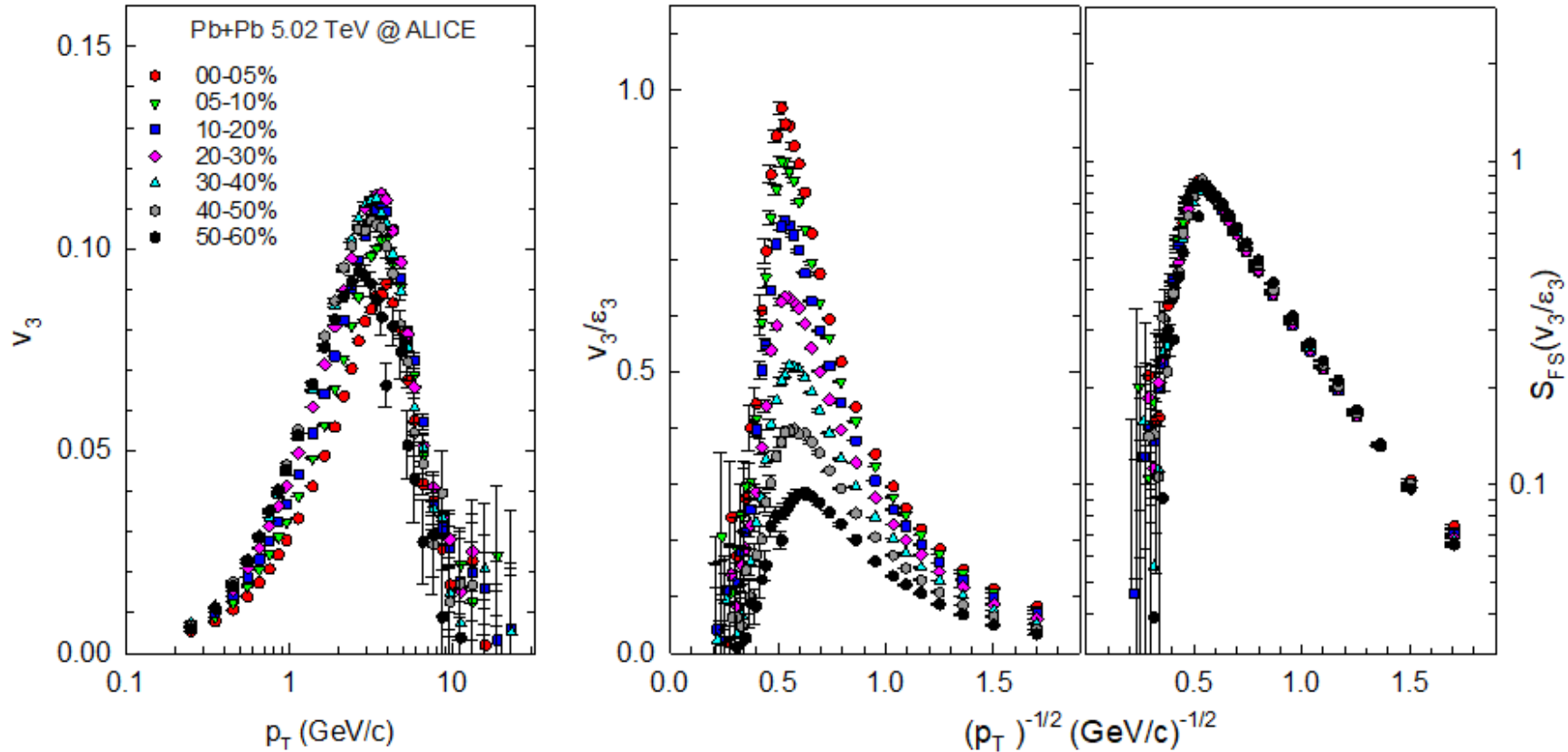
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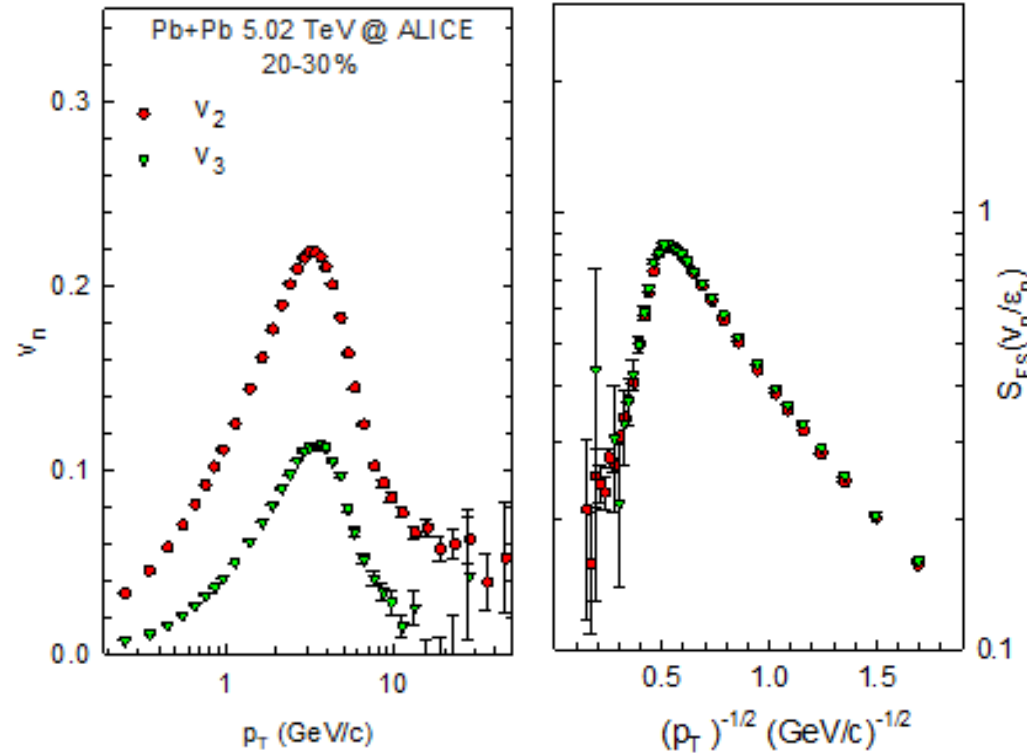


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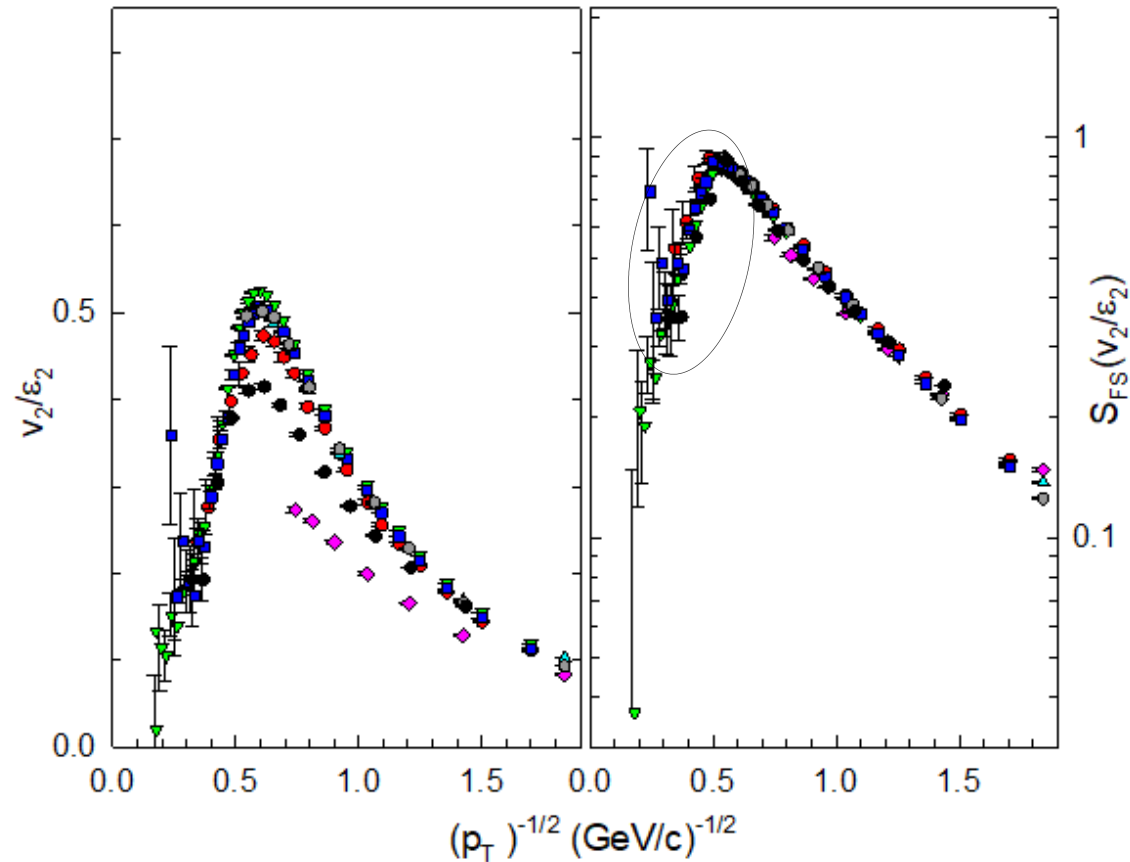
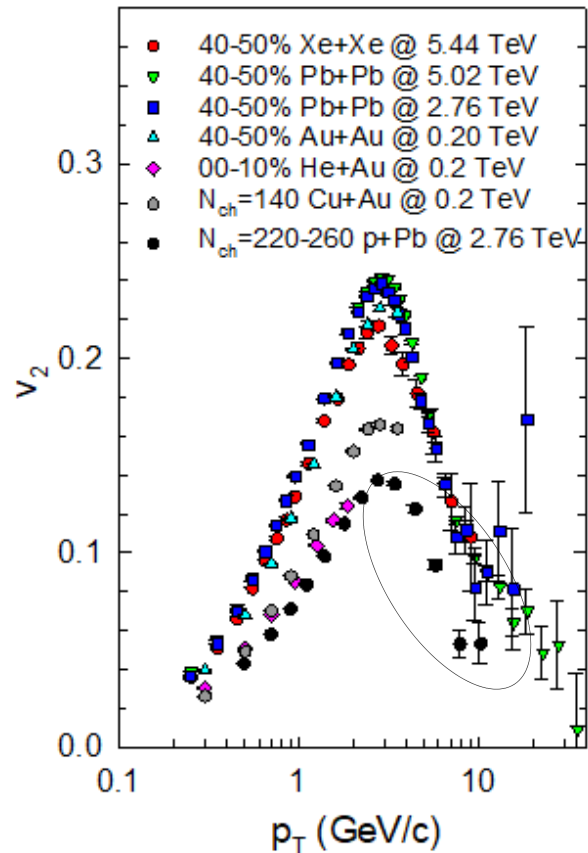
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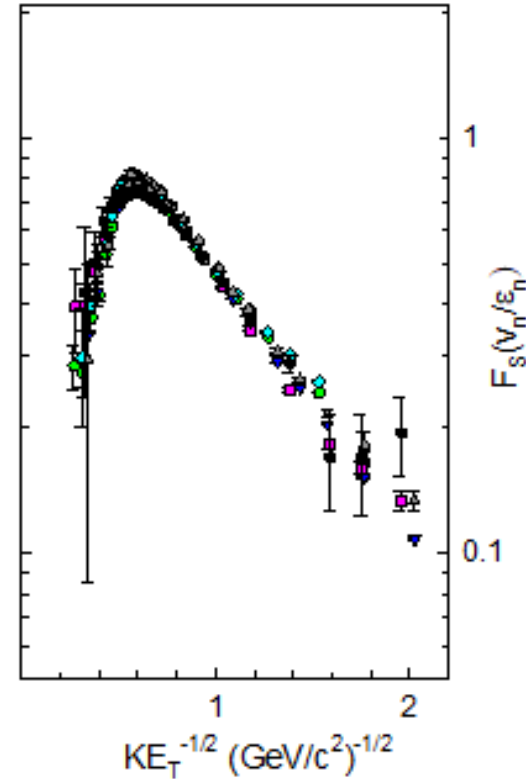
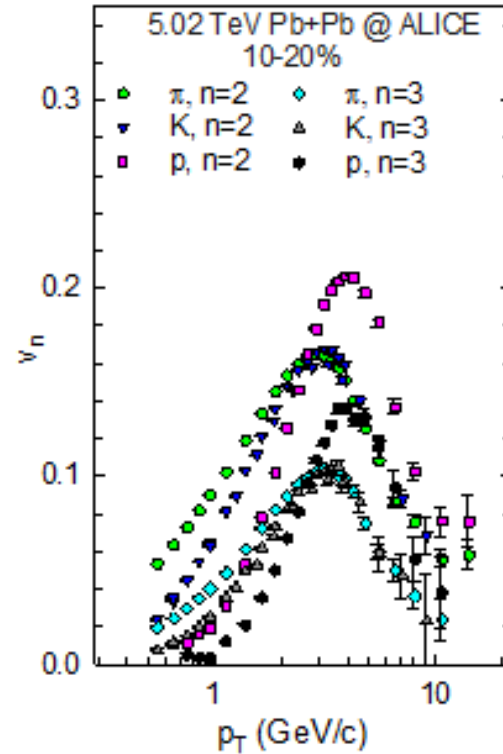
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- **Indications for viscous damping and jet quenching across systems.**
 - ✓ **Viscous damping very important for small dimensionless sizes.**
 - ✓ **Scaling coefficients indicate;**
 - ✓ **an increase in η/s from RHIC to LHC.**
 - ✓ **A “small” increase in η/s from large to small systems.**

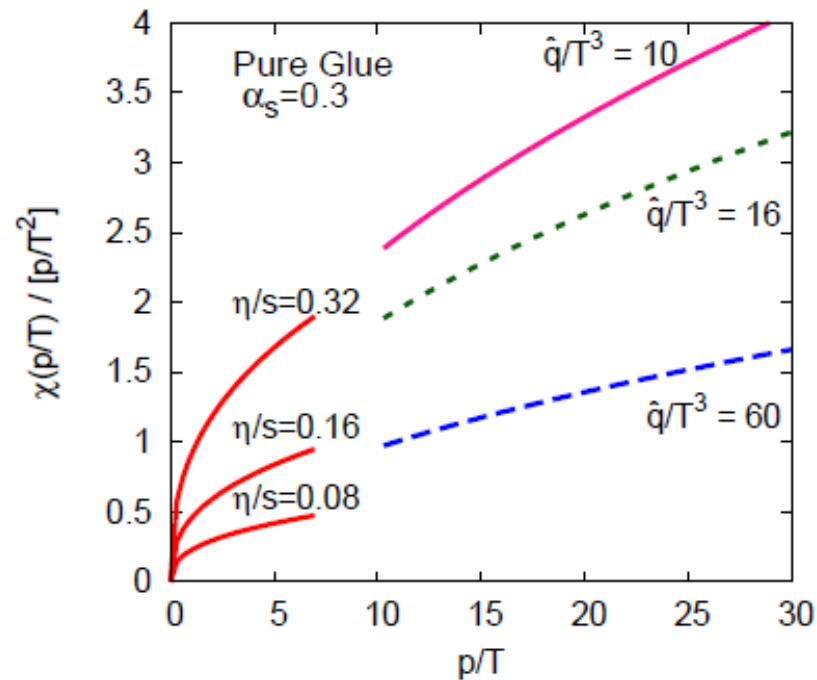
$$R_{AA}(p_T, L) \simeq \exp \left[-\frac{2\alpha_s C_F}{\sqrt{\pi}} L \sqrt{\hat{q} \frac{\mathcal{L}}{p_T}} \right]$$

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- ✓ Characteristic patterns of viscous damping and jet quenching validated for different particle species.
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$$\chi(p) \propto p^2$$

$$\chi_g(p) \approx \frac{0.7}{\alpha_s T \sqrt{\hat{q}}} p^{3/2}$$

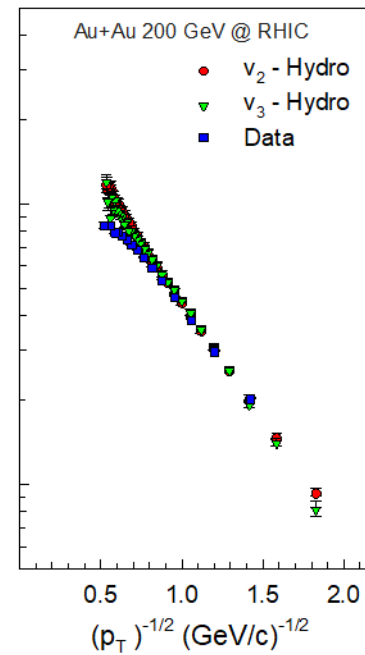
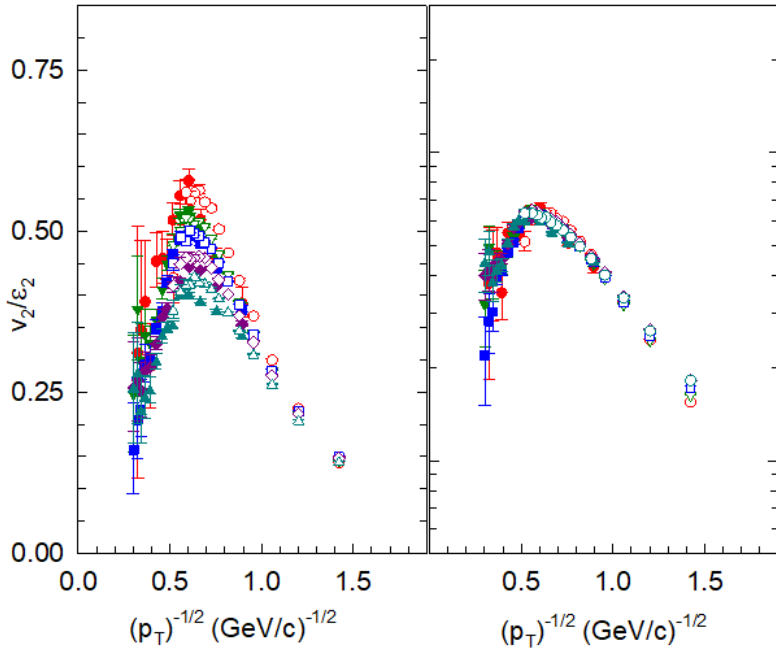
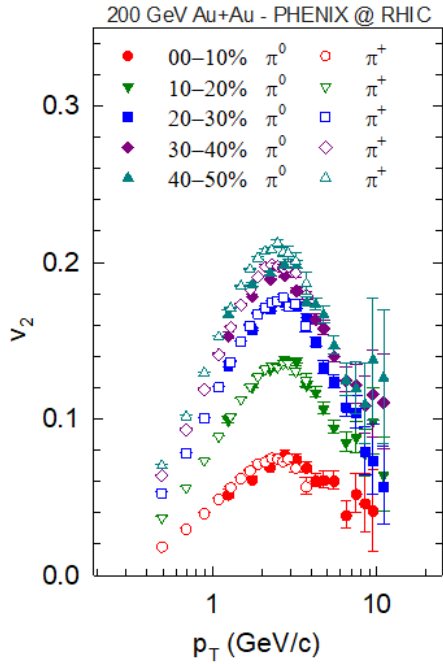
➤ The off equilibrium correction is controlled by two nonperturbative parameters

✓ $\frac{\eta}{s}$ at low momentum

✓ \hat{q} at high momentum

The smooth merger of the low and high pT regions is a crucial constraint

Extracting transport coefficients

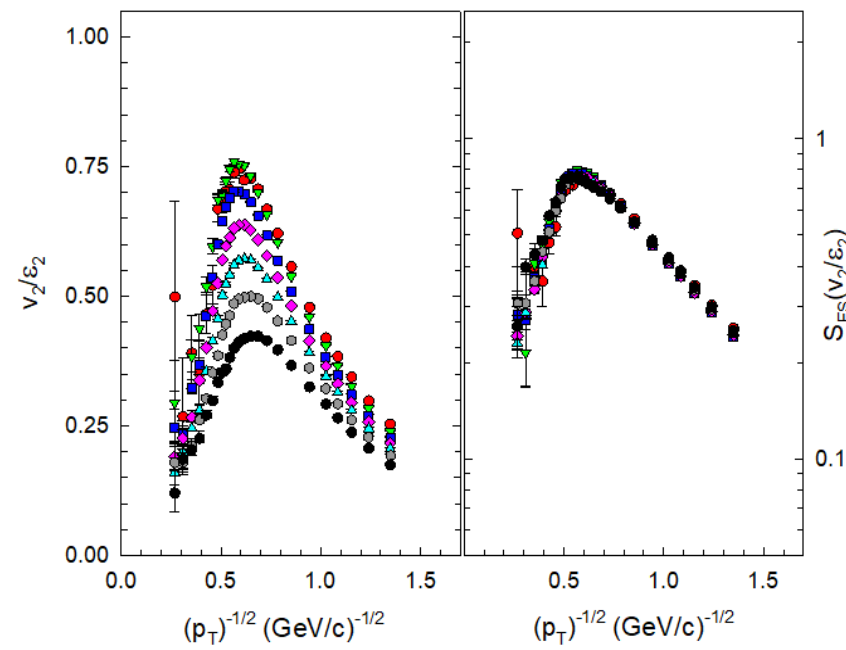
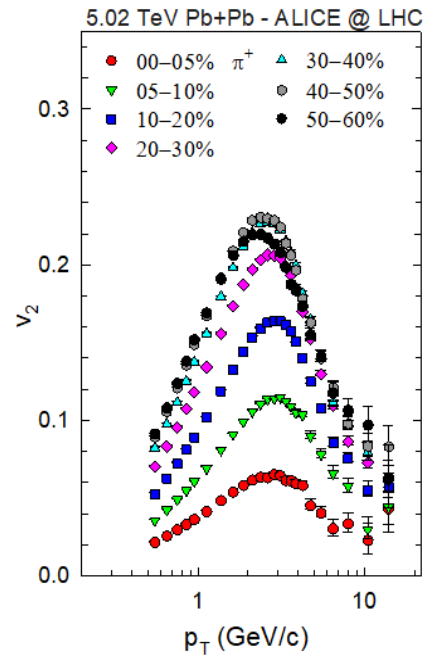


Hydro calibration
 $\frac{\eta}{s}(\text{RHIC}) \sim 0.11$

$\frac{\eta}{s}(\text{LHC}) \sim 0.15$

$\frac{\hat{q}}{T^3}(\text{RHIC}) \sim 4.5$

$\frac{\hat{q}}{T^3}(\text{LHC}) \sim 2.4$



- **New STAR differential and integral v_n measurements that explicitly account for the effects of non-flow, are presented for $p/d/{}^3\text{He}+\text{Au}$**
 - ✓ Non-flow mitigated by leveraging two-particle p+p correlation function via several methods.
 - ✓ The measurements are method-independent within uncertainties
- ❖ **For similar multiplicity**
 - ✓ **The observed v_2 and v_3 are consistent with the important role of both “size” (N_{ch}) and the fluctuations-driven eccentricity (ϵ_n)**
 - ✓ **The measurements [especially v_3] are inconsistent with the notion of shape engineering in $p/d/{}^3\text{He}+\text{Au}$ collisions**
- ❖ **Anisotropy scaling functions allow seamless leveraging of the diverse measurements to constrain models & transport coefficients**
 - ✓ **Initial indications for change in transport coefficients with beam energy, small collision-system sizes, conserved currents, etc.**
- **Future anisotropy measurements for symmetric small systems, as well as high p_T data are crucial for improved constraints and insights**
 - ✓ **STAR is well positioned for such measurements post BES-II**

End