

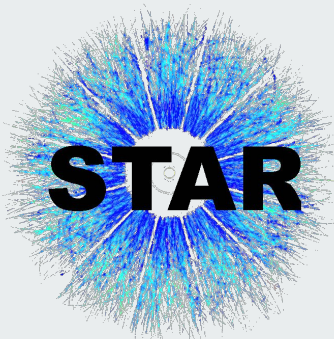


Study of elliptic and triangular flow of identified particles in Au+Au collisions $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 11.5 - 62.4$ GeV in the STAR experiment

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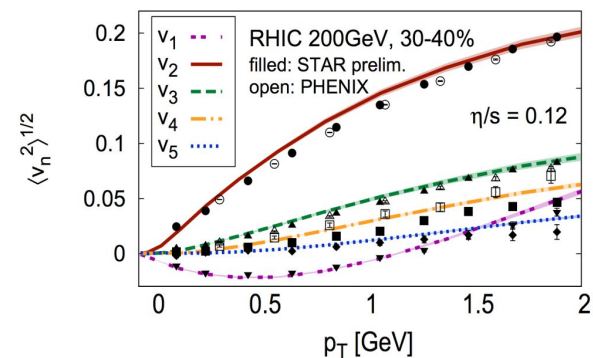
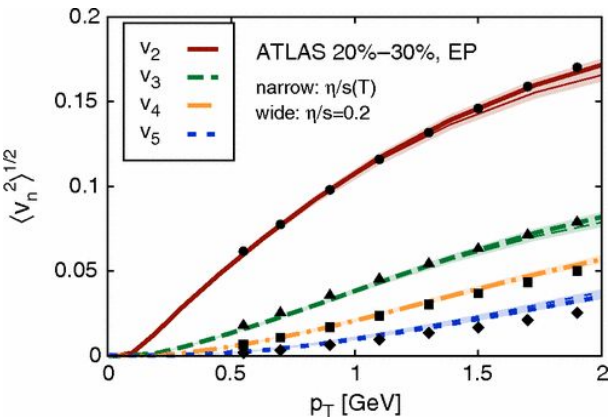
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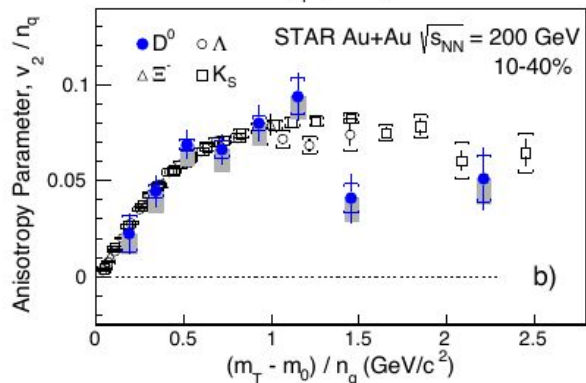
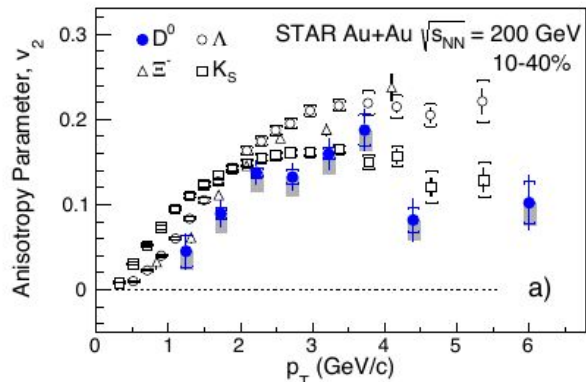
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Anisotropic collective flow at RHIC/LHC

Gale et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 110, 012302



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$v_n(\mathbf{p}_T, \text{centrality})$ - sensitive to the early stages of collision.

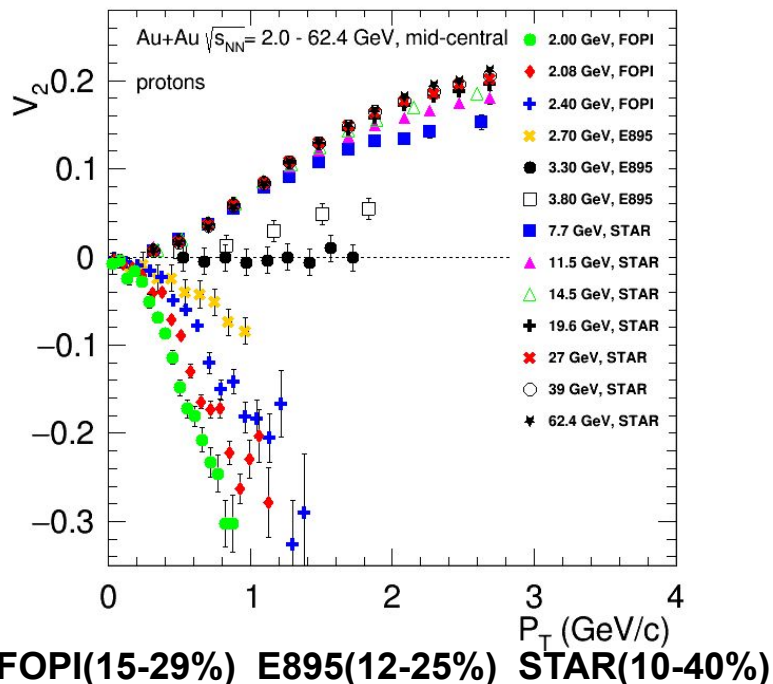
Important constraint for transport properties: EOS, η/s , ζ/s , etc.

Mass ordering at $p_T < 2$ GeV/c (hydrodynamic flow, hadron rescattering)

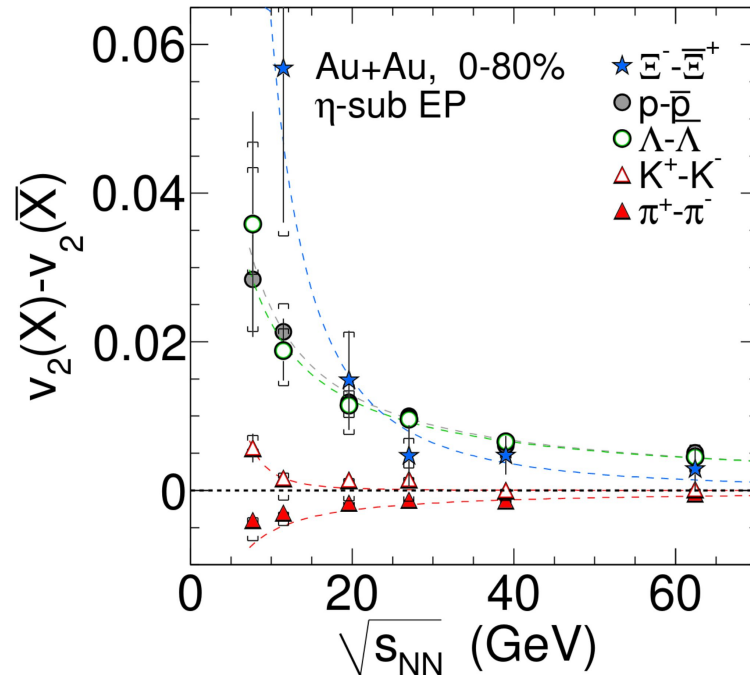
Baryon/meson grouping at $p_T > 2$ GeV/c (recombination/coalescence), Number of constituent quark (NCQ) scaling

Anisotropic collective flow at STAR BES

Taranenko, EPJ Web Conf. 204 (2019) 03009



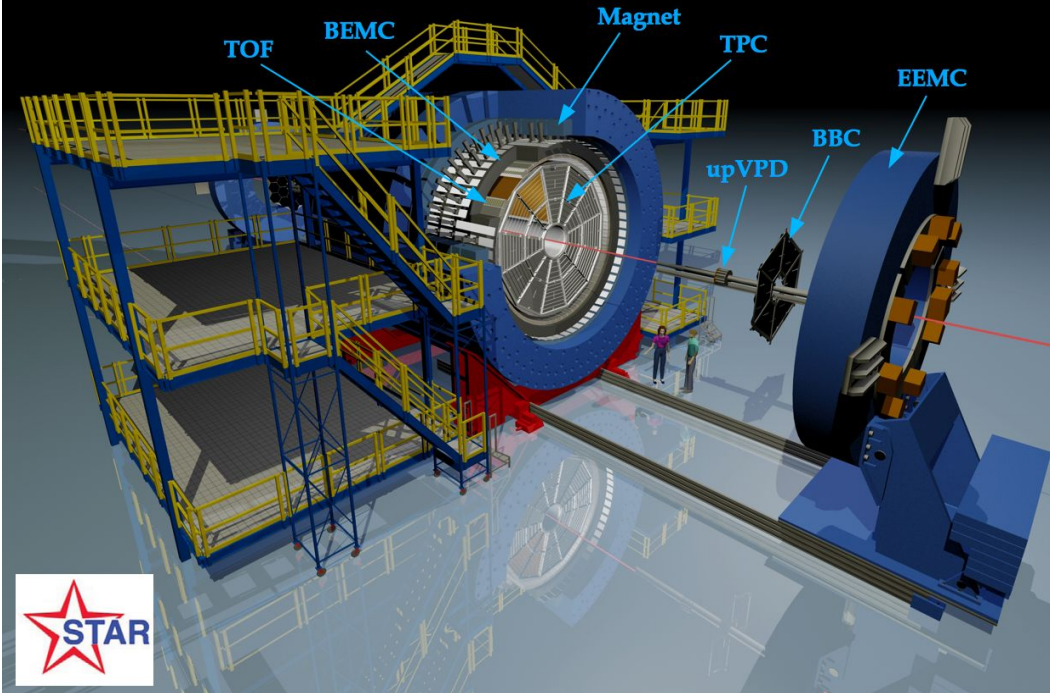
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- Small change in $v_2(p_T)$ for Au+Au $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 7.7 - 62.4$ GeV (STAR BES-I)
- Strong energy dependence of the difference in v_2 of particles and antiparticles
- **Our aim is to measure** $v_3(\sqrt{s_{NN}}, \text{centrality}, \text{PID}, p_T)$

The STAR detector at RHIC

The Solenoidal Tracker At RHIC (STAR)



Time Projection Chamber (TPC):

- Tracking of charged particles with $|\eta| < 1$, 2π in ϕ .
- PID using dE/dx measurements

Time-Of-Flight (TOF):

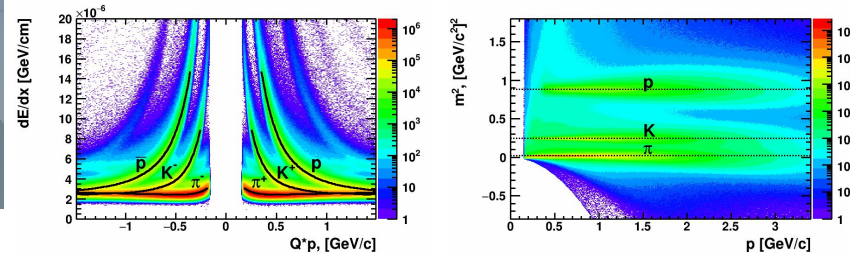
- $|\eta| < 0.9$, 2π in ϕ
- PID using time-of-flight information

Event planes:

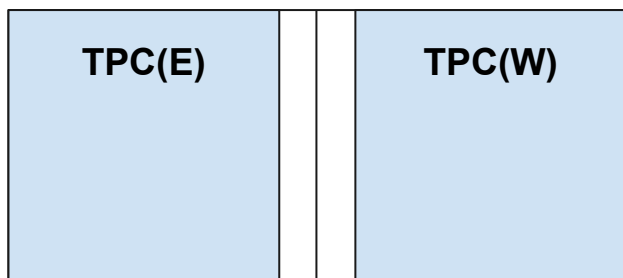
TPC ($|\eta| < 1$), BBC ($3.8 < |\eta| < 5.2$)

Data set:

Au+Au at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 11.5 - 62.4$ GeV



Analysis technique: Event Plane Method (EP)



$-1 < \eta < -0.05$

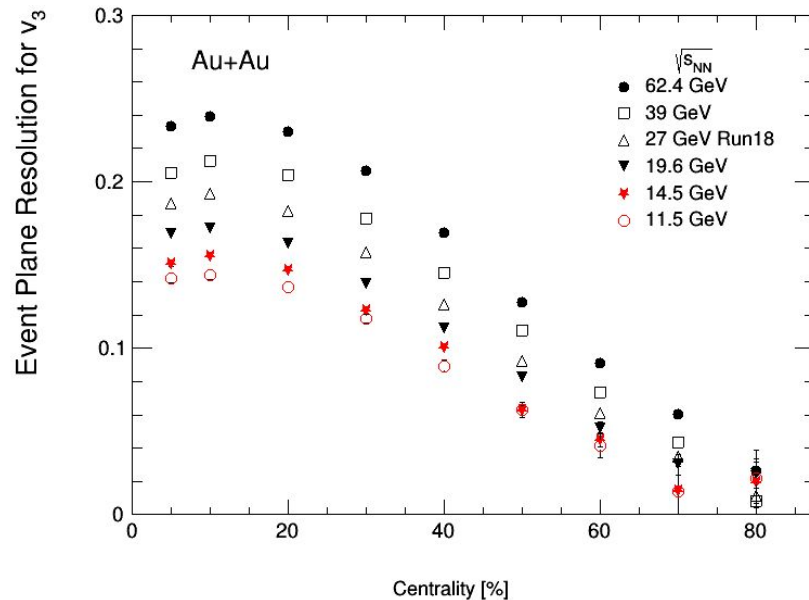
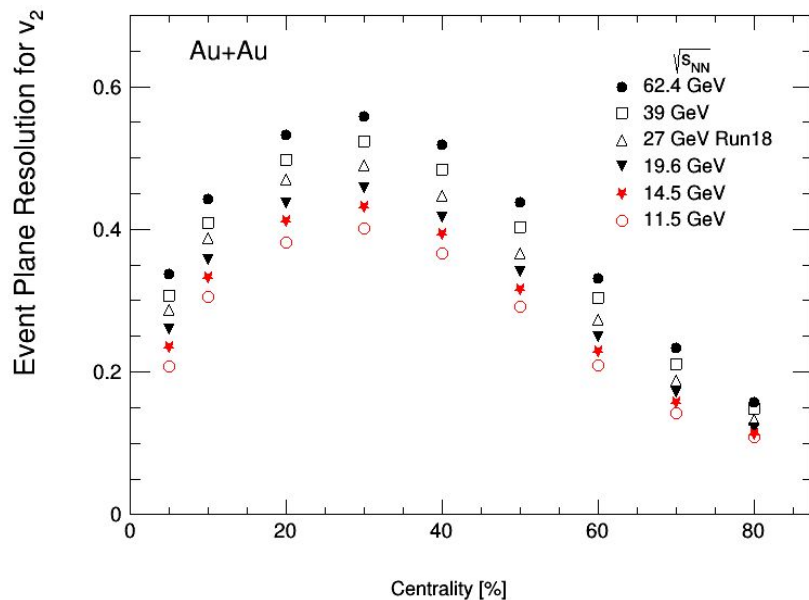
$0.05 < \eta < 1$

TPC(E) half ($\eta < 0$) $\rightarrow \eta_-$

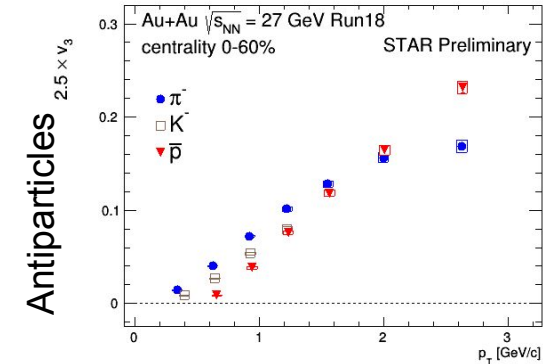
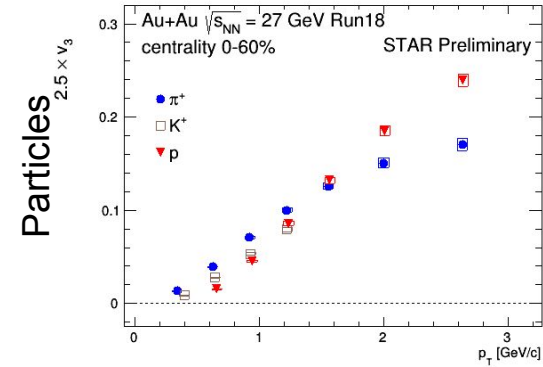
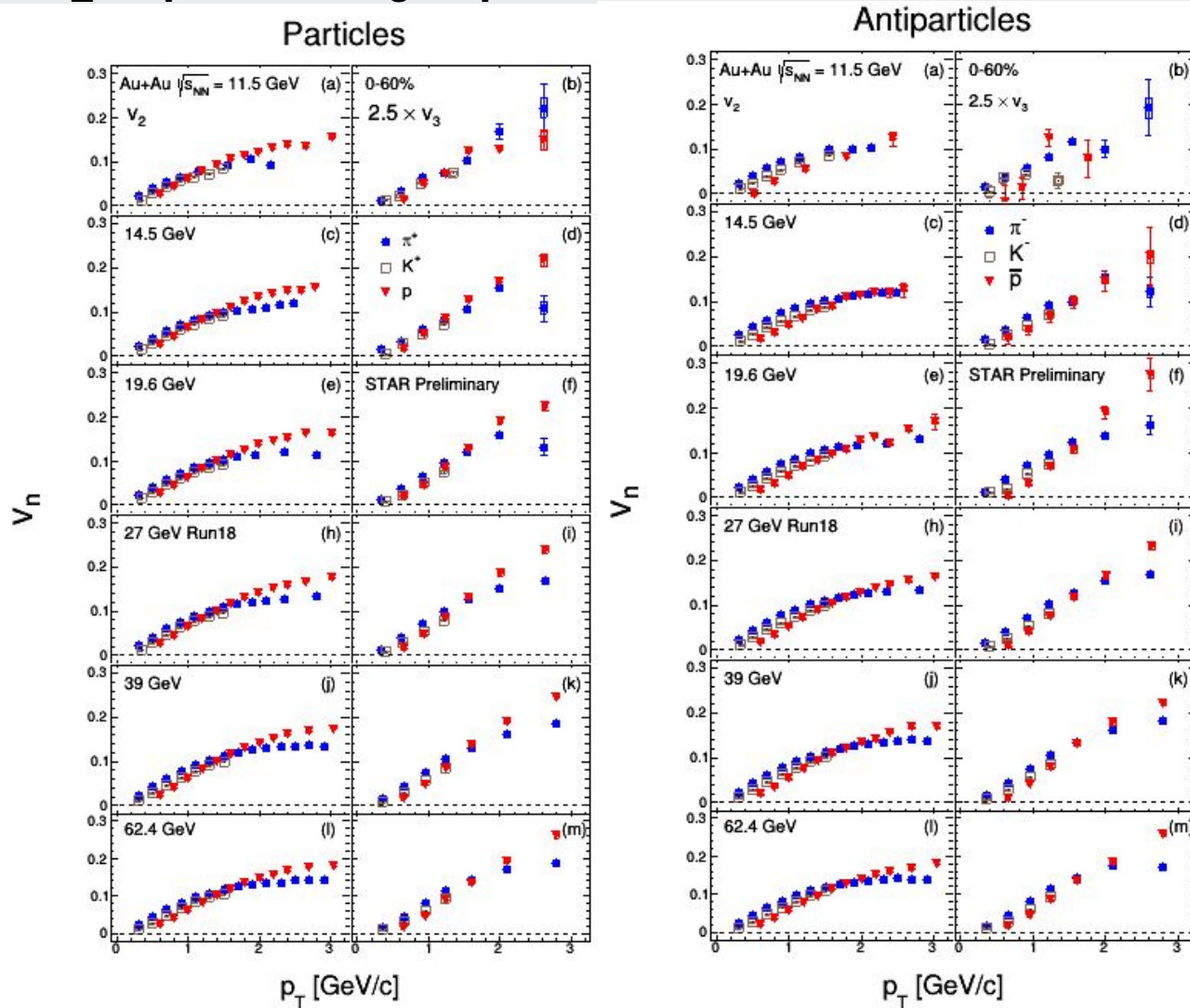
TPC(W) half ($\eta < 0$) $\rightarrow \eta_+$

$$v_n = \frac{\langle \cos[n(\phi_{\eta_{\pm}} - \Psi_{n,\eta_{\mp}})] \rangle}{Res\{\Psi_n\}}$$

$$Res\{\Psi_n\} = \sqrt{\langle \cos[n(\Psi_{n,\eta_+} - \Psi_{n,\eta_-})] \rangle}$$

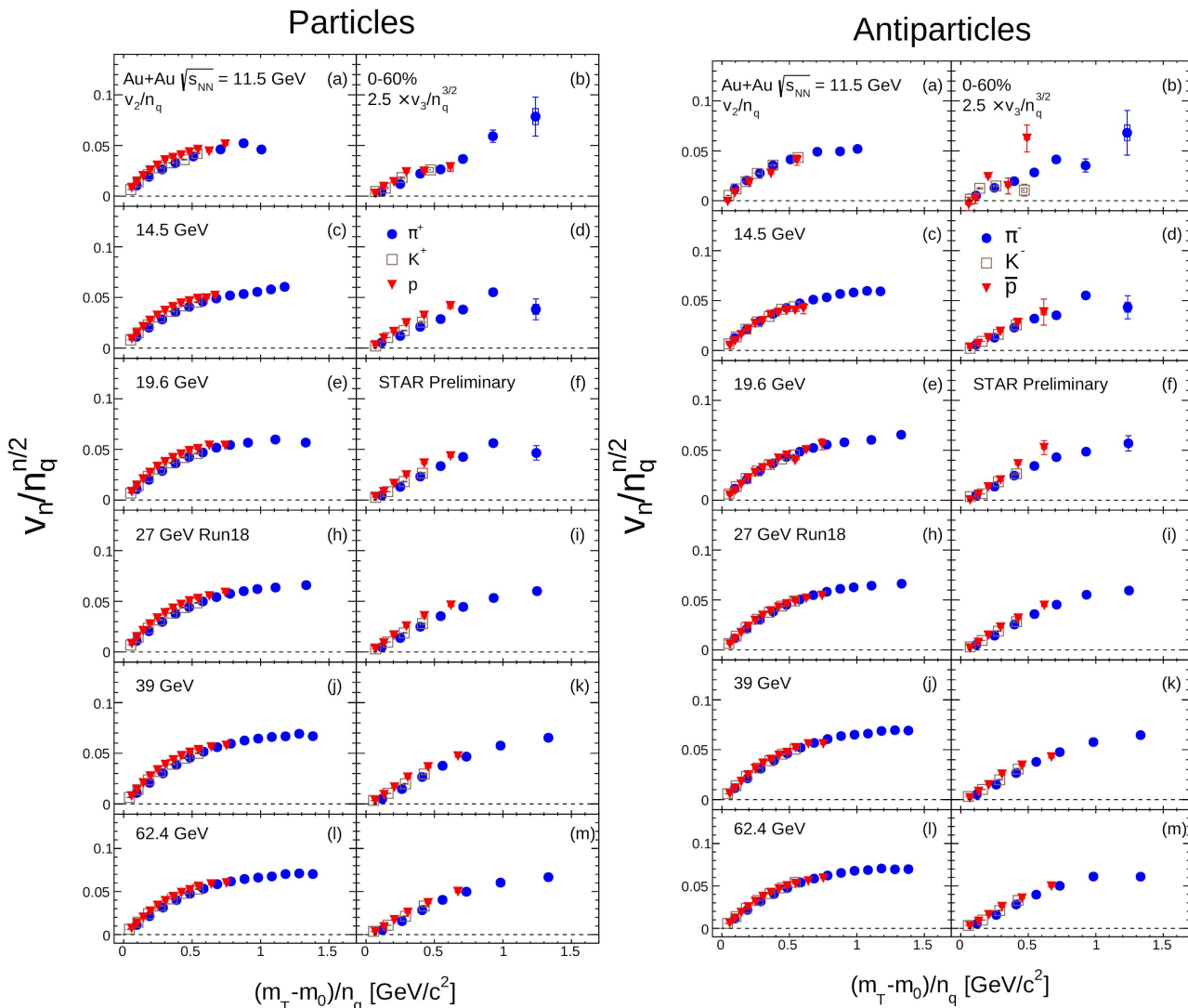


$v_2(p_T)$ and $v_3(p_T)$ of identified hadrons



Mass ordering for $p_T < 1.5$ GeV/c
Baryon/meson grouping for $p_T > 2$ GeV/c

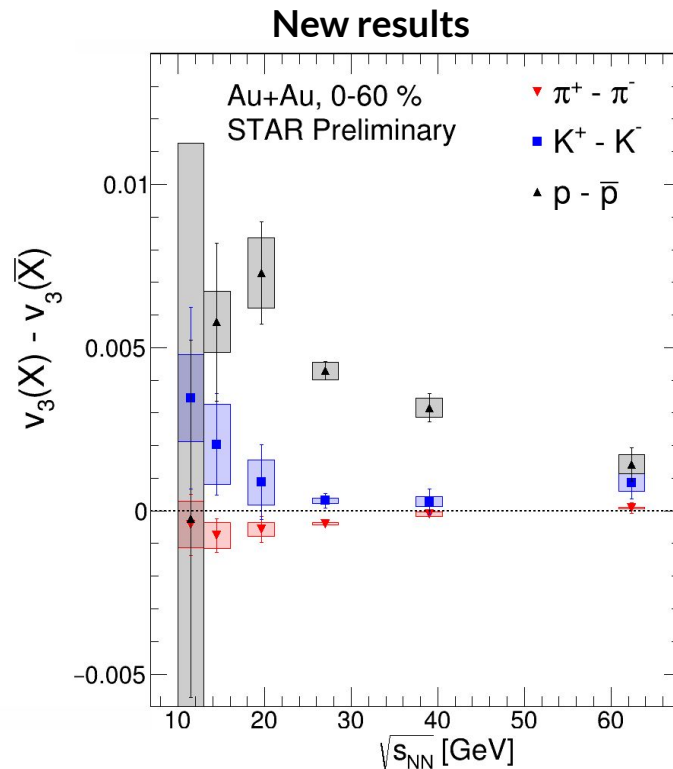
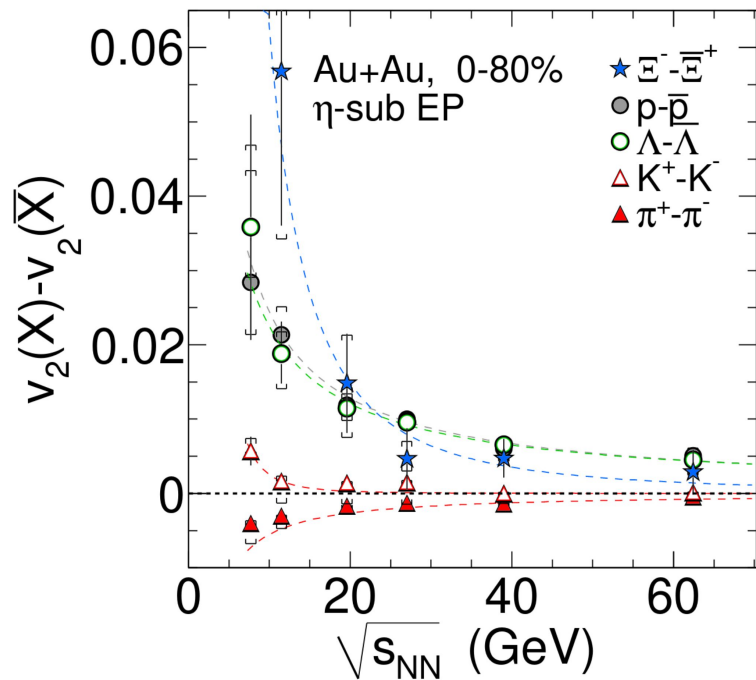
NCQ scaling of v_2 and v_3



- NCQ scaling tests were performed for v_2 and v_3 for particles and antiparticles
- Scaling holds better for higher energies

Beam-energy dependence of v_2 and v_3 particle-antiparticle difference

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- Differences for v_2 and v_3 between particles and antiparticles increase with decreasing beam energy
- $v_n(p) - v_n(\bar{p})$ shows growth with decreasing collision energy
- Absolute value of $v_n(X) - v_n(\bar{X})$ is larger for (p, \bar{p}) than for π^\pm, K^\pm

Summary



Results of v_2, v_3 in Au+Au collisions at BES energies $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 11.5 - 62.4$ GeV are presented.

($\sqrt{s_{NN}}$, centrality, PID, p_T)-dependence of v_2 and v_3 :

- Mass ordering for $p_T < 1.5$ GeV/c and baryon/meson grouping for $p_T > 2$ GeV/c
- NCQ scaling holds better for higher energies

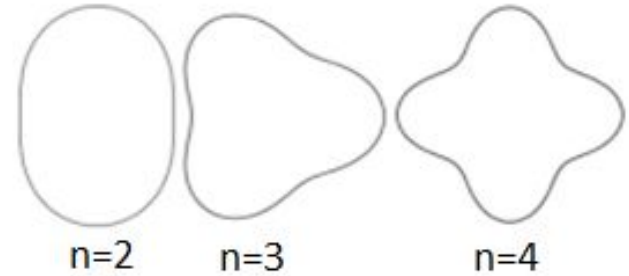
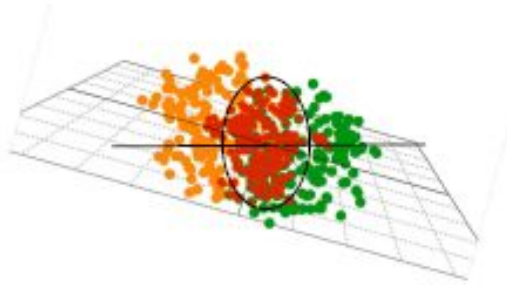
$v_n(X) - v_n(\bar{X})$:

- The difference increases with decreasing collision energy
- $v_n(p) - v_n(\bar{p})$ shows growth at lower collision energies
- Absolute value of $v_n(X) - v_n(\bar{X})$ is larger for (p, \bar{p}) than for π^\pm, K^\pm



Backup slides

Anisotropic collective flow

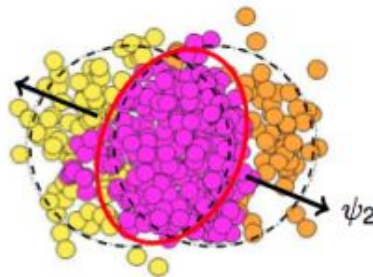


$$\epsilon_n = \sqrt{\frac{\langle r^n \cos n\phi \rangle + \langle r^n \sin n\phi \rangle}{\langle r^n \rangle}}$$

$$\frac{dN}{d\phi} \approx \left(1 + 2 \sum_{n=1} v_n \cos[n(\phi - \Psi_n)] \right)$$

Initial eccentricity (and its attendant fluctuations), ϵ_n , drives momentum anisotropy, v_n , with specific viscous modulation

v_2 - elliptic flow



v_3 - triangular flow

