

1 Probing initial geometry through collectivity in d+Au
2 and O+O collisions at STAR

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4 Collisions involving small systems with varying geometries can provide criti-
5 cal insights into the initial conditions of the medium produced in these collisions.
6 The initial state conditions, influenced by structural effects such as the many-
7 body properties of light nuclear shapes, also leave a distinct footprint in the
8 correlations among final-state particles. In this talk, we present preliminary
9 measurements of flow harmonics (v_2 and v_3) obtained from multi-particle corre-
10 lations in d+ ^{197}Au , $^3\text{He}+^{197}\text{Au}$, and $^{16}\text{O}+^{16}\text{O}$ collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV,
11 based on newly collected data from STAR. These measurements are compared to
12 hydrodynamics with the state-of-the-art *ab initio* calculations, illustrating the
13 features of initial geometry, sub-nucleon fluctuations, and nucleonic clustering
14 features. These findings highlight a deeper understanding of initial conditions
15 and collectivity in small system collisions.