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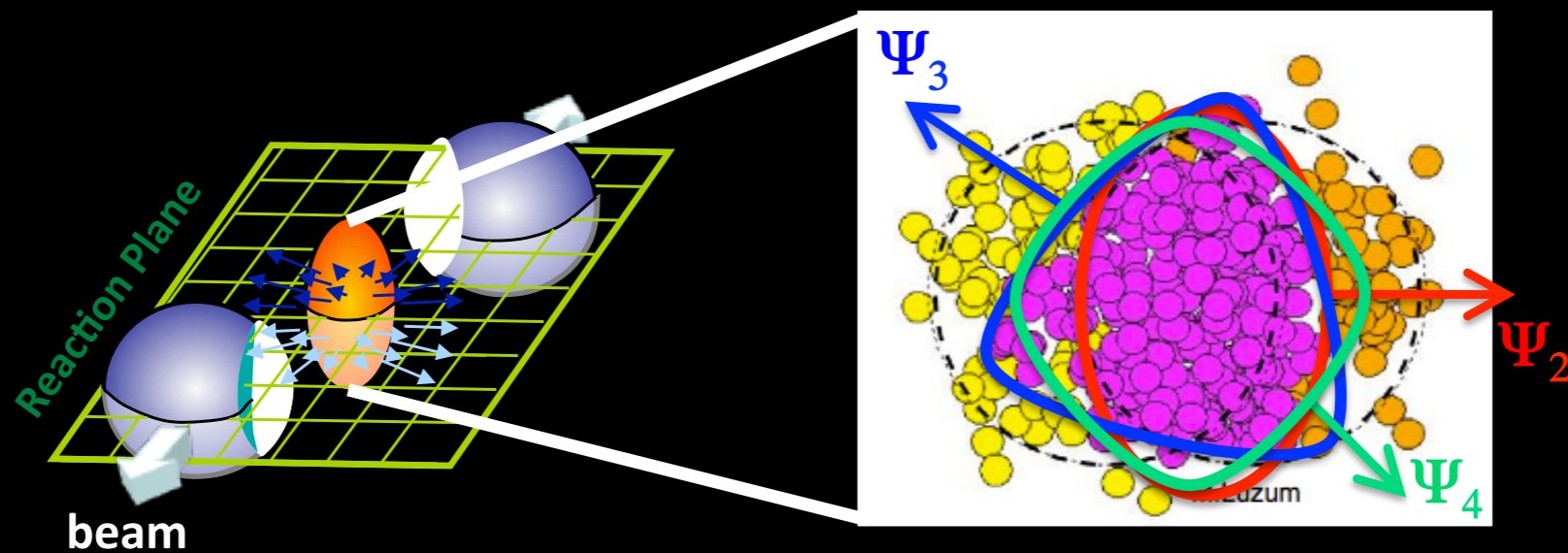
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Azimuthal anisotropy

- ▶ Anisotropies in momentum-space originate from anisotropies in initial geometry (including fluctuations)



$$\frac{dN}{d\phi} \propto 1 + 2 \sum_n v_n \cos[n(\phi - \Psi_n)]$$

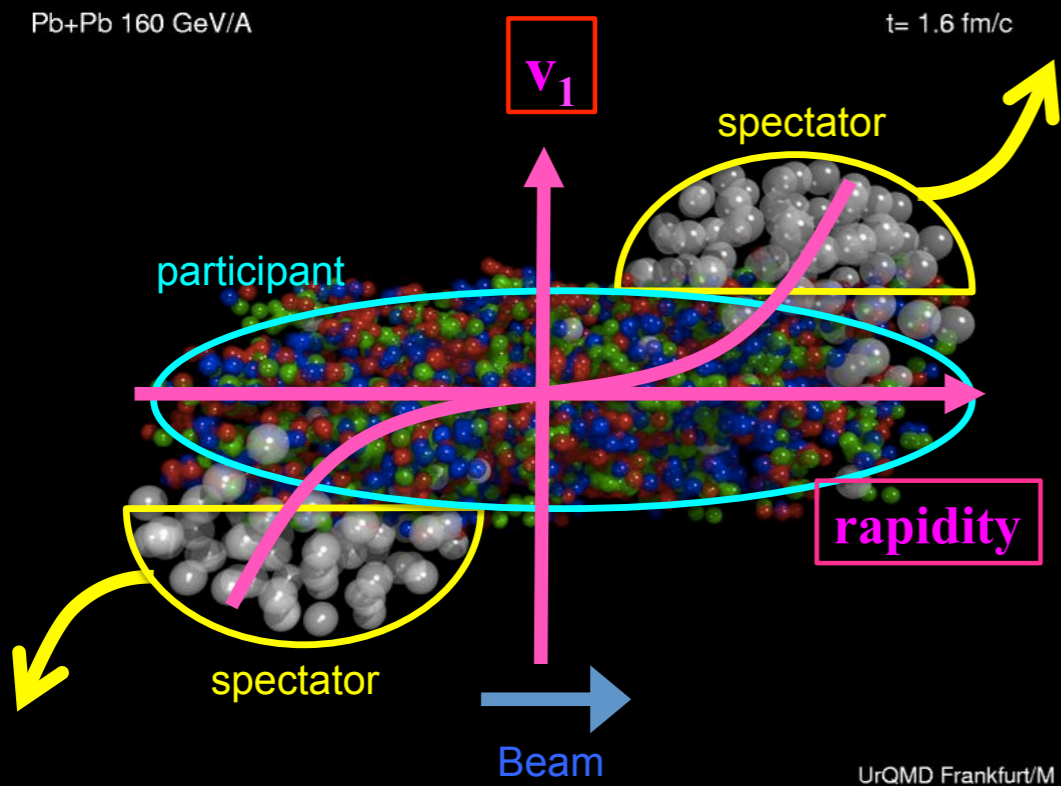
Voloshin and Zhang, Z.Phys.C70, 665
Alver and Roland, PRC81, 054905

Directed flow (v_1): sensitive to EoS and phase transition

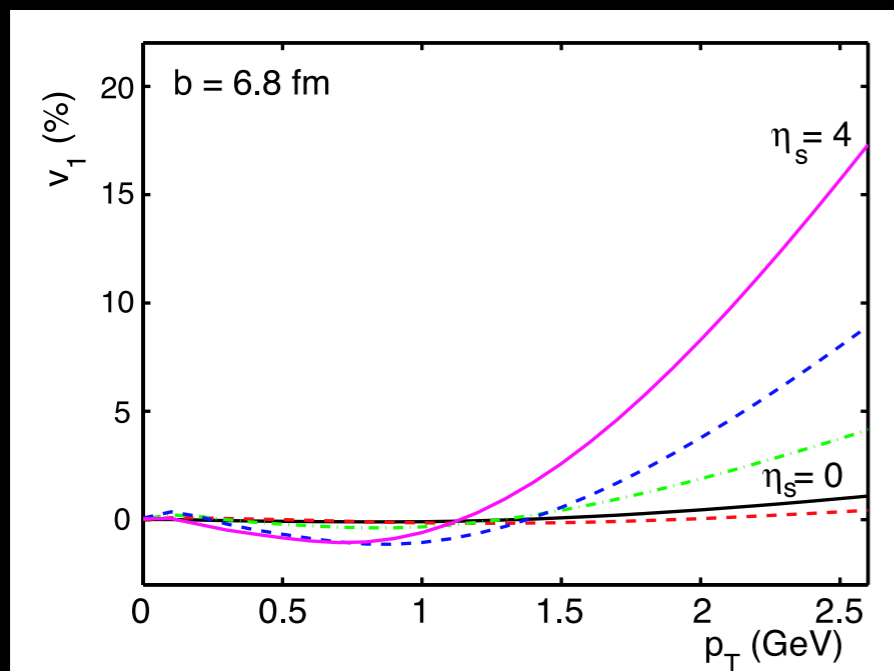
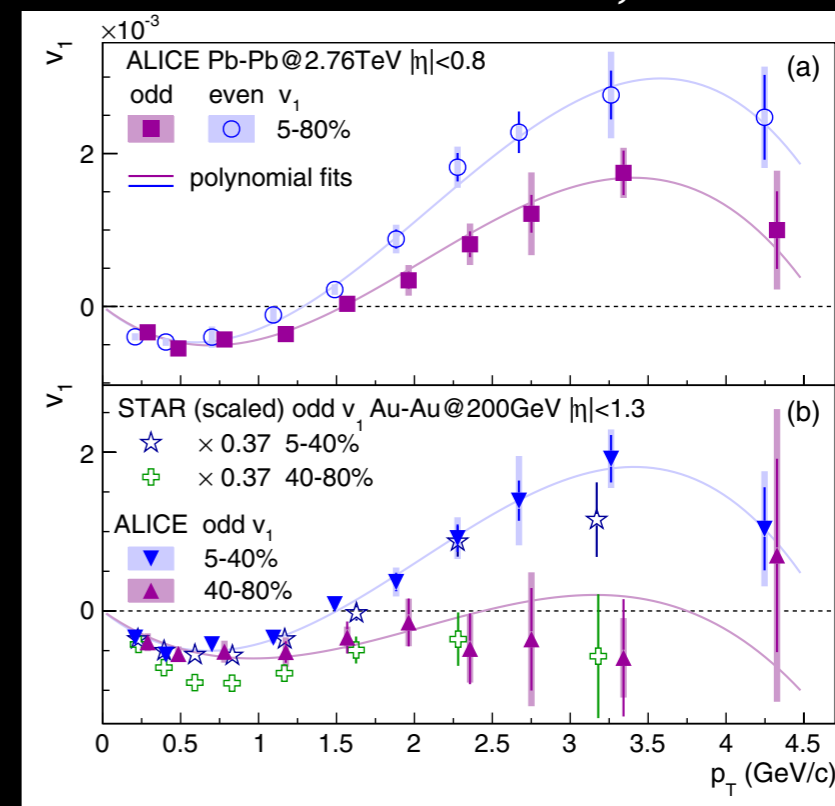
Elliptic(v_2), Triangular(v_3), \dots : sensitive to η/s and initial fluctuations



Directed flow in A+A



v_1 in Au+Au vs Pb+Pb ALICE, PRL111.23202



U. Heinz and P. Kolb, J.Phys.G30 (2004) S1229

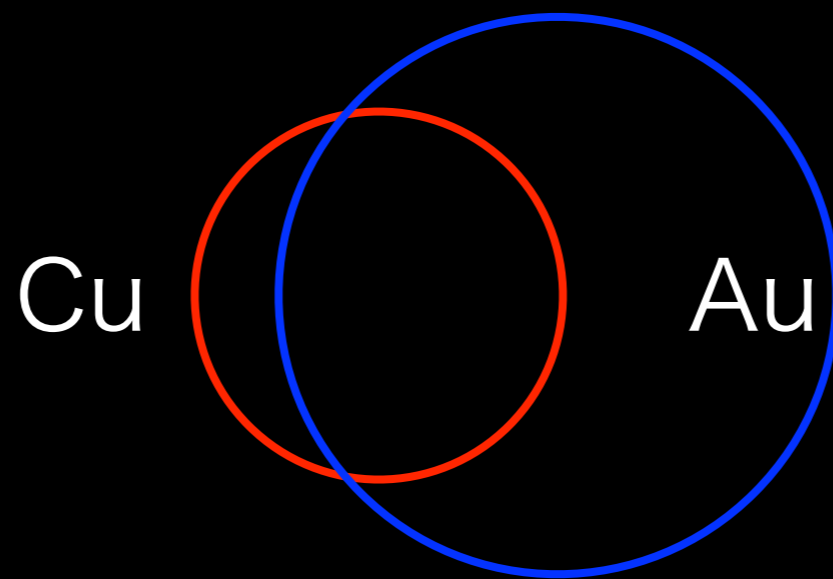
► v_1 in A+A collisions

- v_1 is caused by the initial density asymmetry
- $\langle v_1 \rangle$ at $\eta = 0$ is zero due to symmetric density
- non zero $v_1(p_T)$ comes from the density fluctuation
 - Note: $\langle p_x \rangle = 0$ if no kick from spectators

How about in asymmetric collisions?

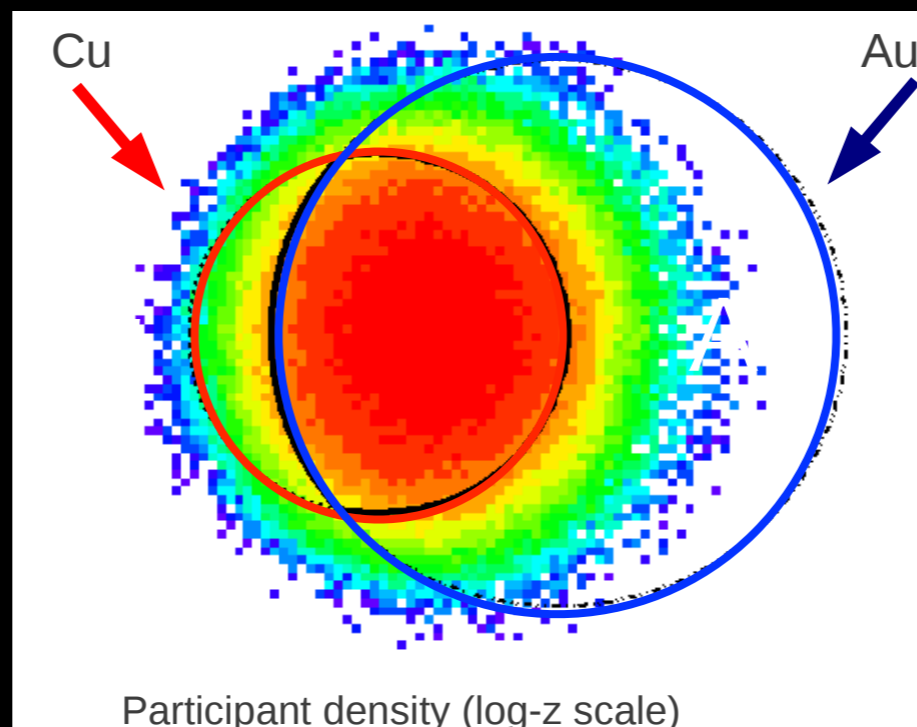


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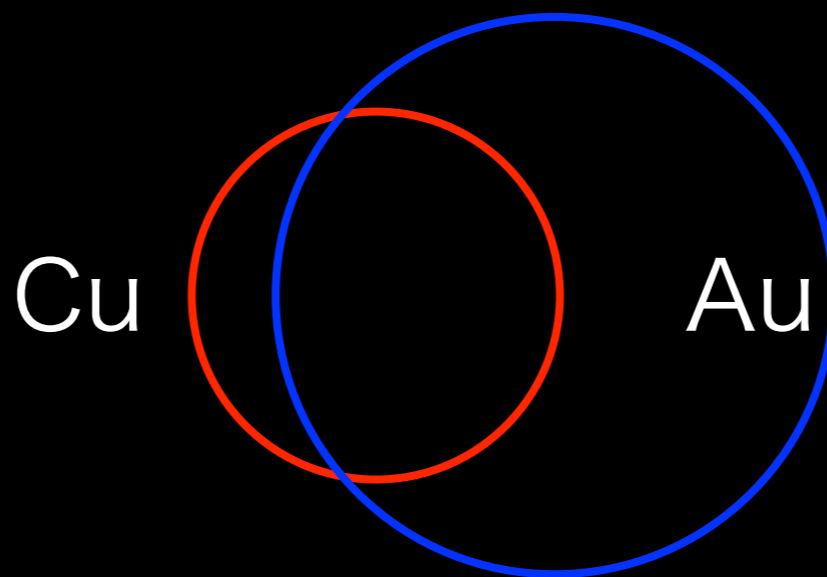
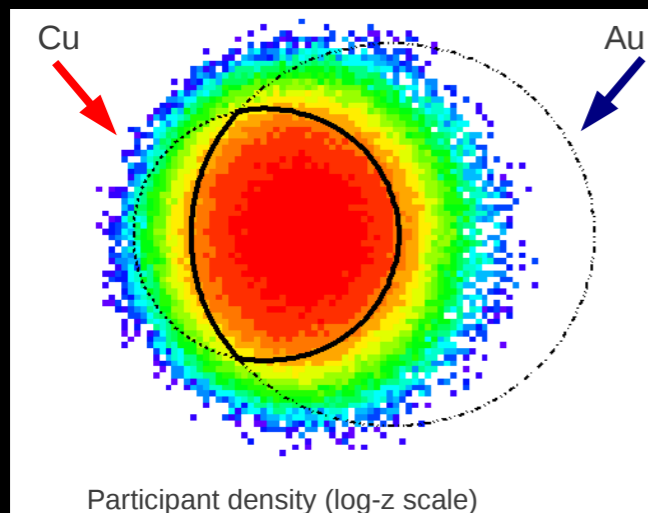
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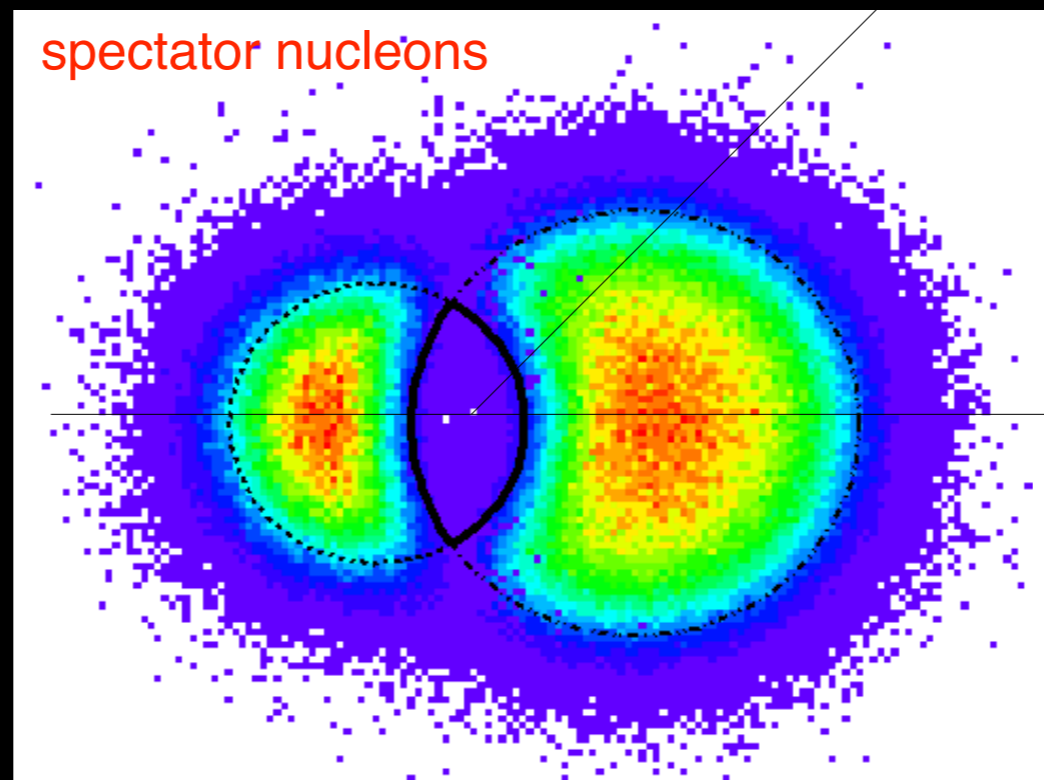
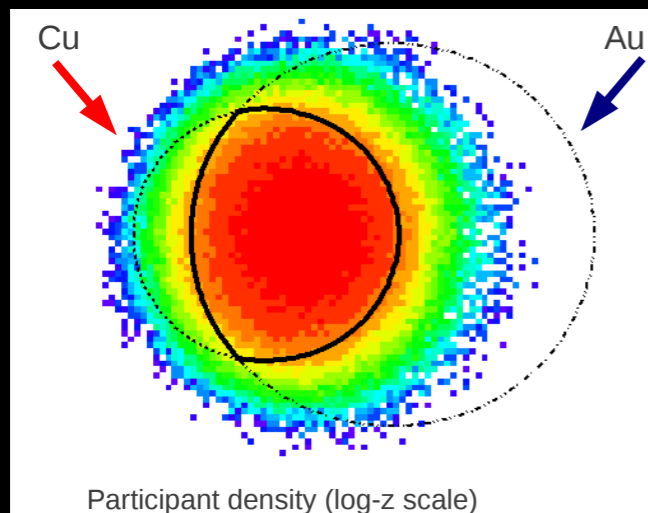


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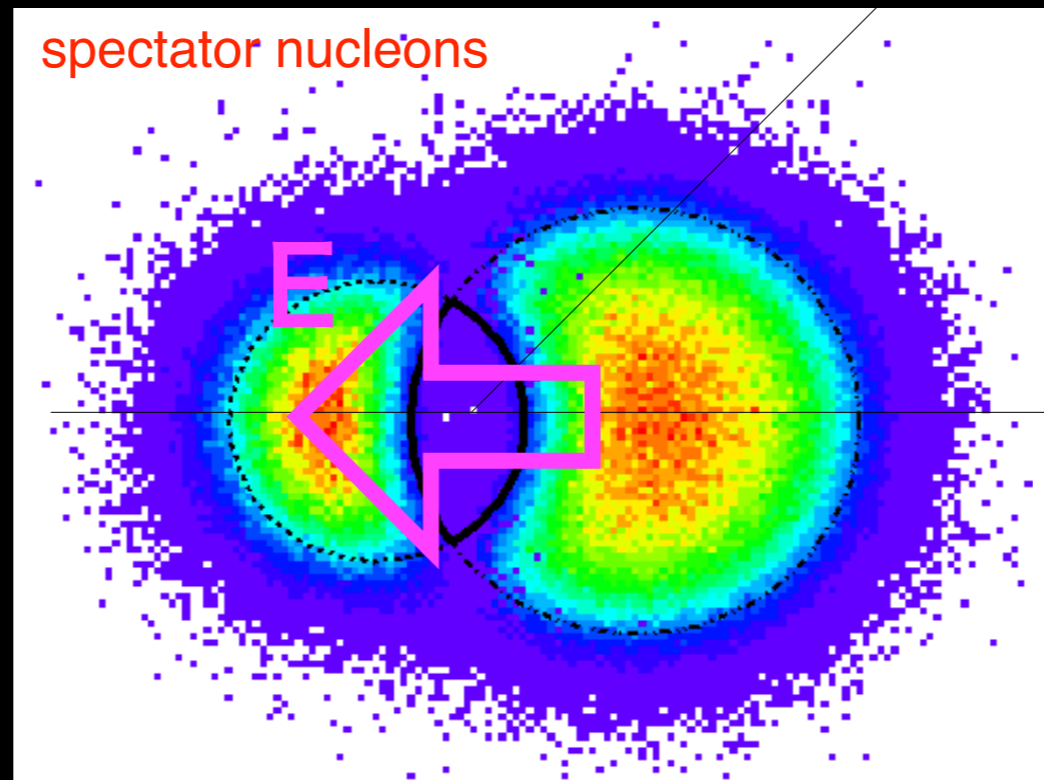
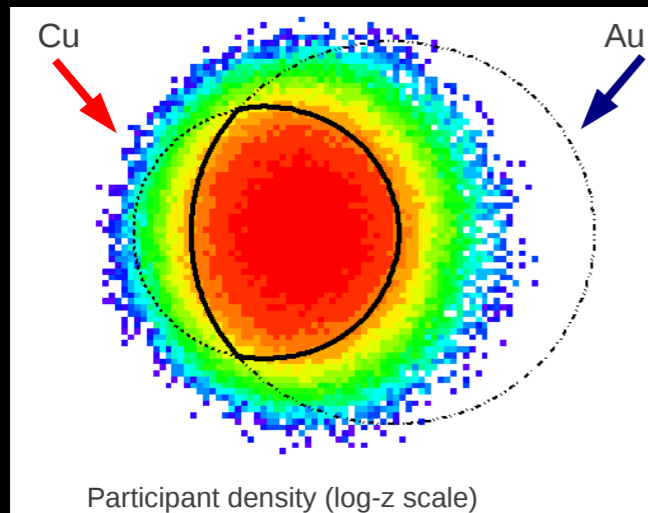


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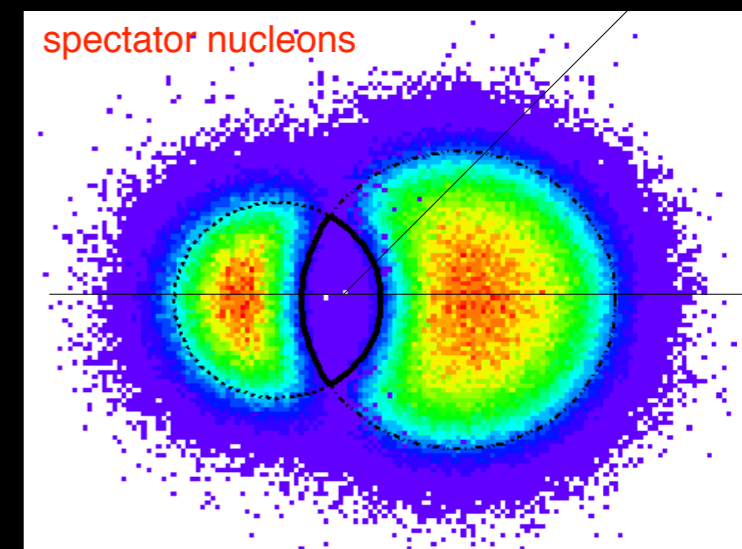
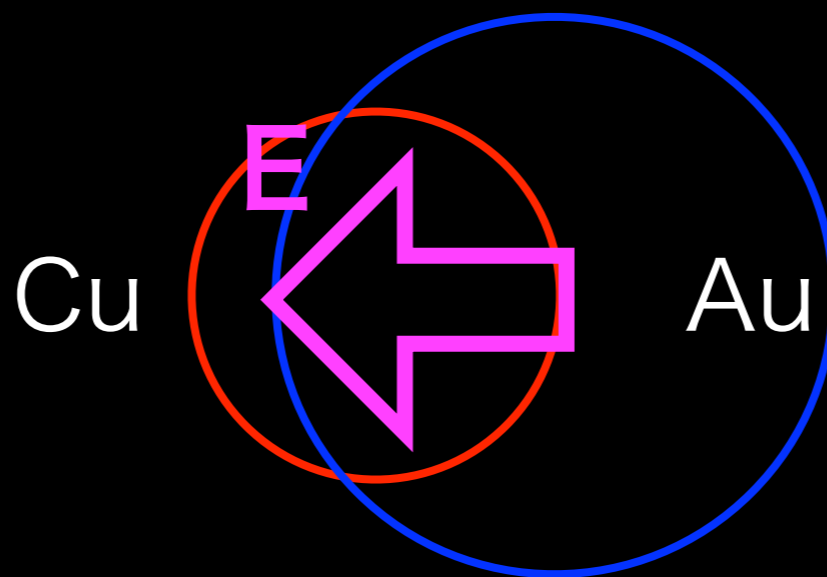
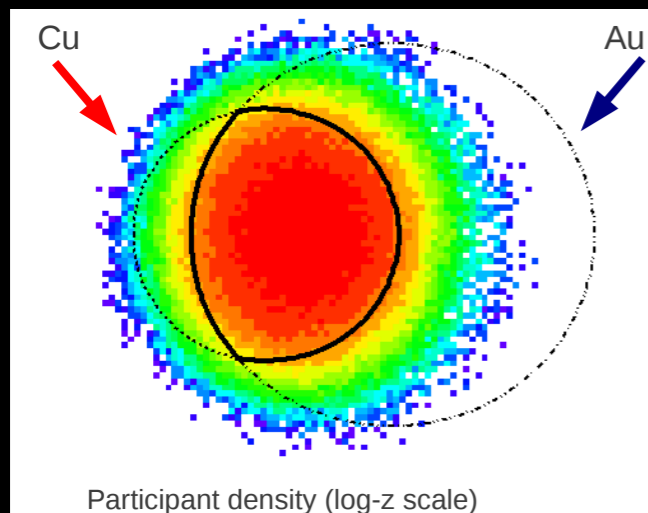


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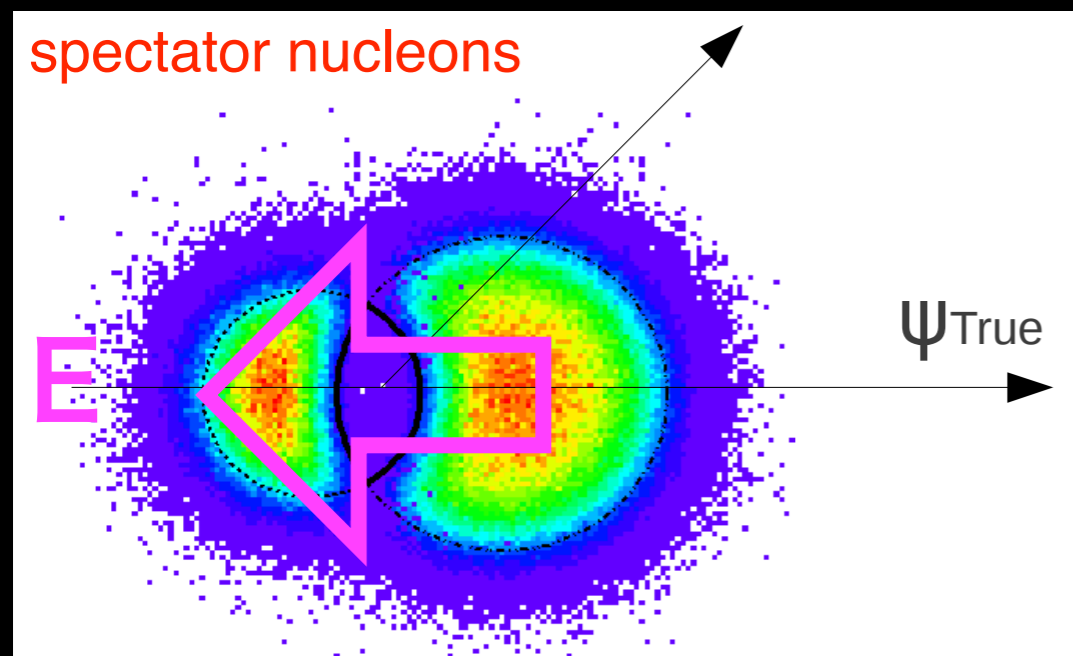
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Dipole-like charge distribution
by spectators

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Effect of the electric field

If we have the electric field (E-field), azimuthal distribution of particles can be written:



$$\frac{dN^{\pm}}{d\phi} \propto 1 + 2v_1 \cos(\phi - \Psi_1) \pm d_E \cos(\phi - \psi_E)$$

d_E : strength of dipole deformation induced by E-field
(proportional to the electric conductivity)

ψ_E : azimuthal angle of E-field

- ▶ Positive particles move to the direction along E-field, and negative particles go to the opposite
- ▶ Appear as **charge dependence of v_1**
 - ▶ Y. Hirono et al., PRC90.021903
 - ▶ sensitive to the electric conductivity



Probe into quark creation time?

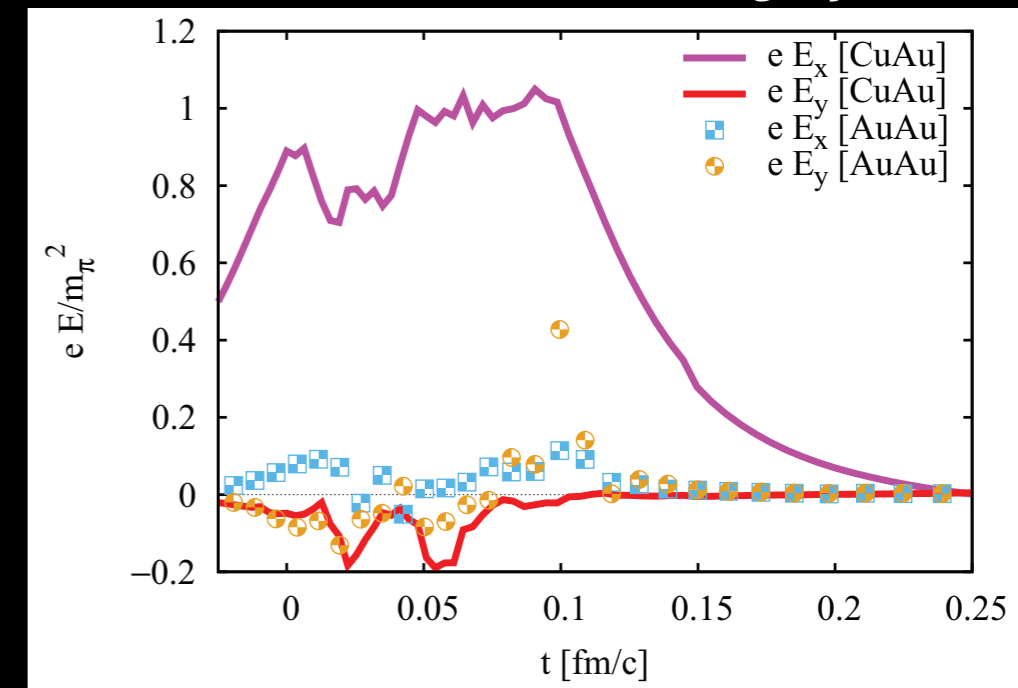


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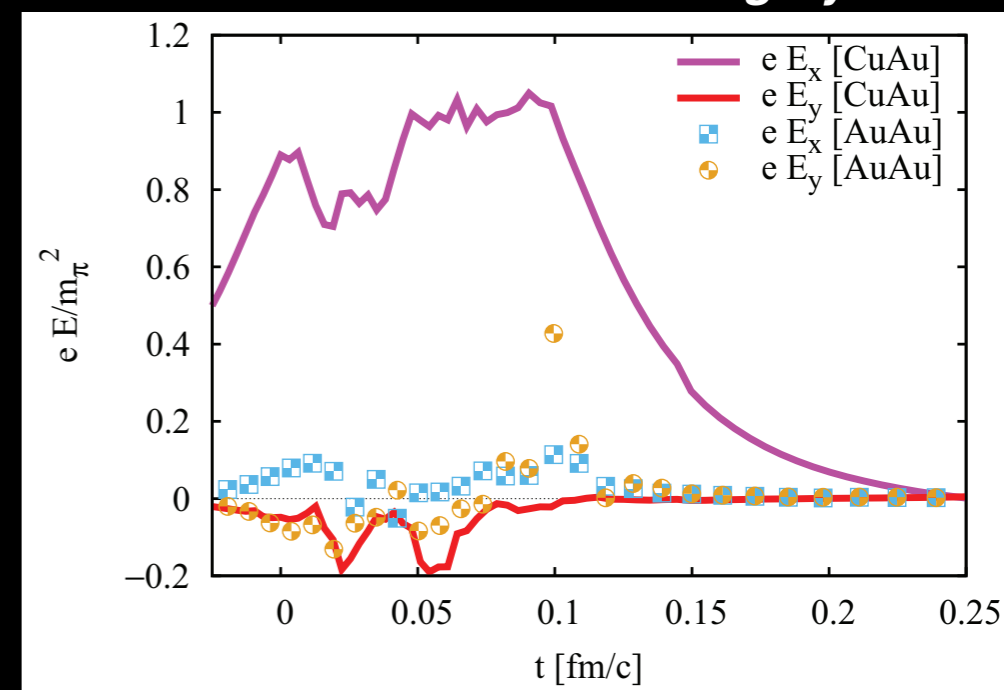


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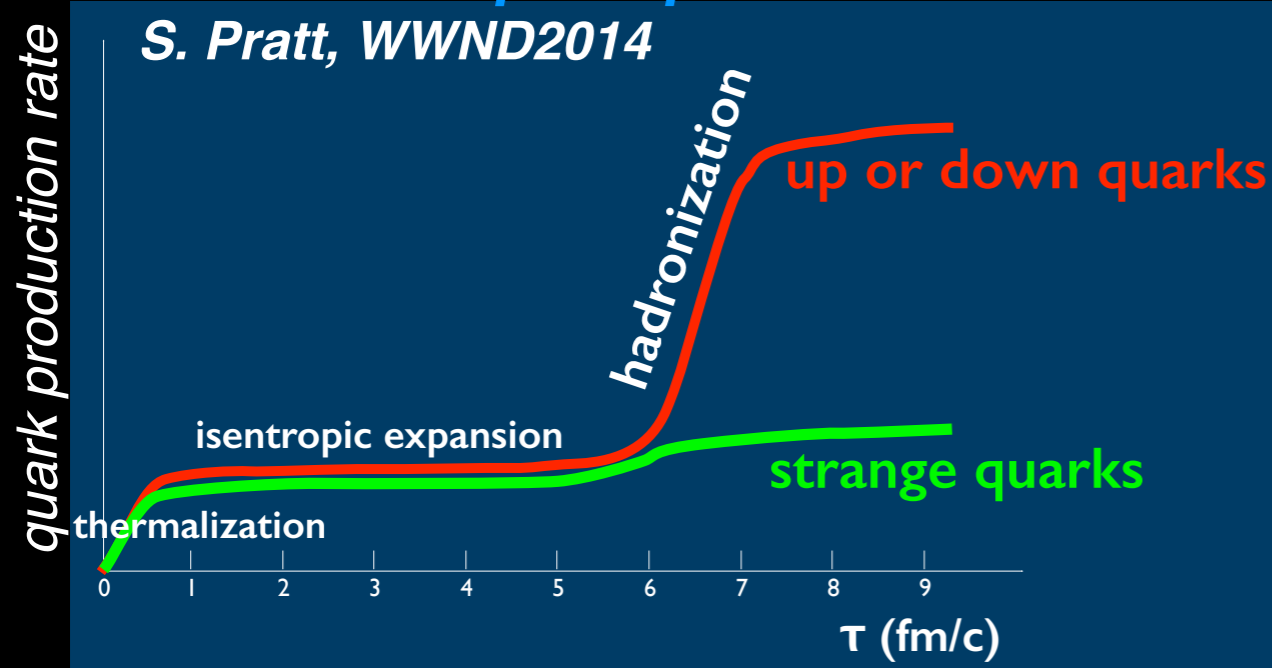
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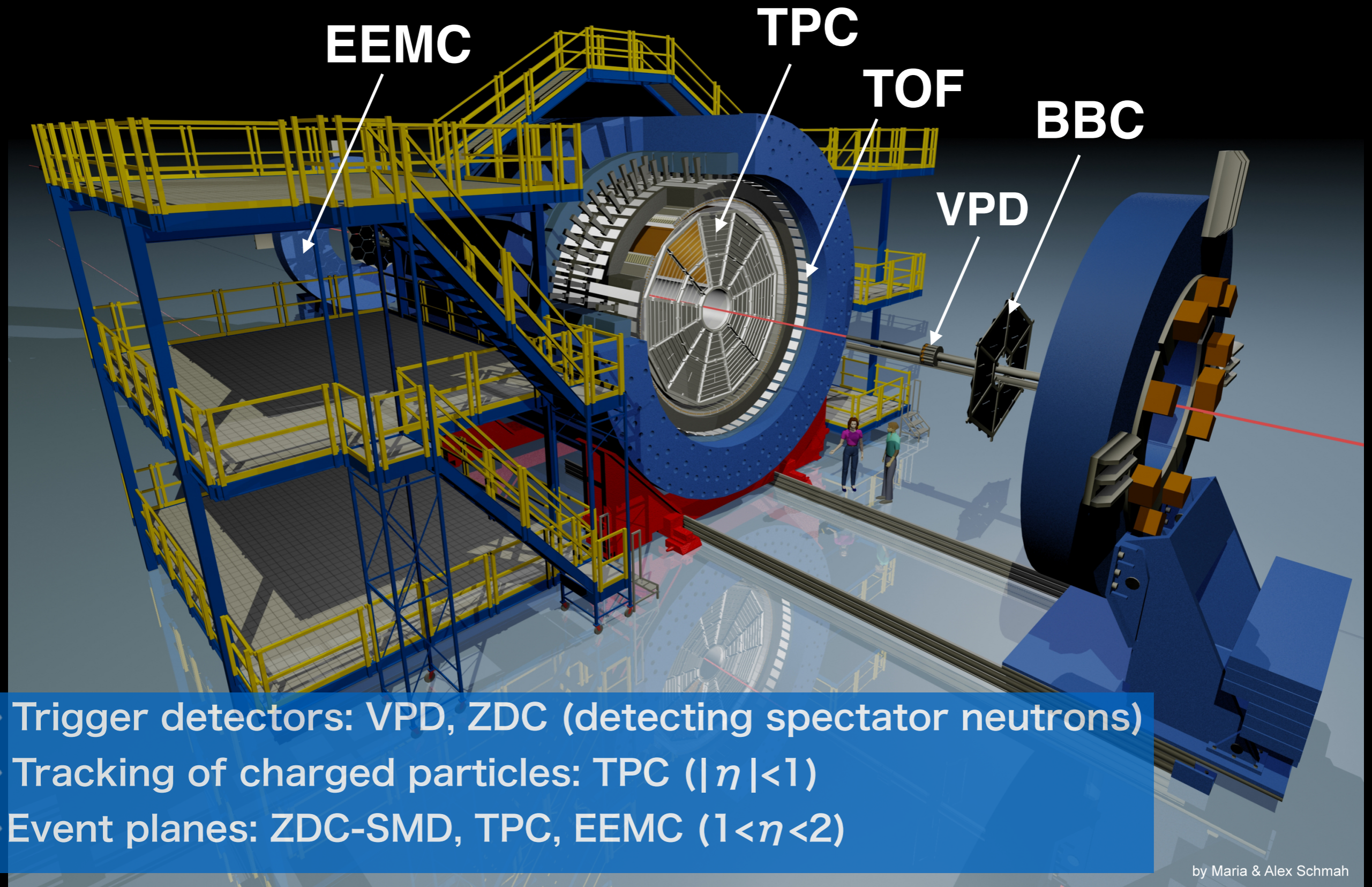
Two wave of quark production

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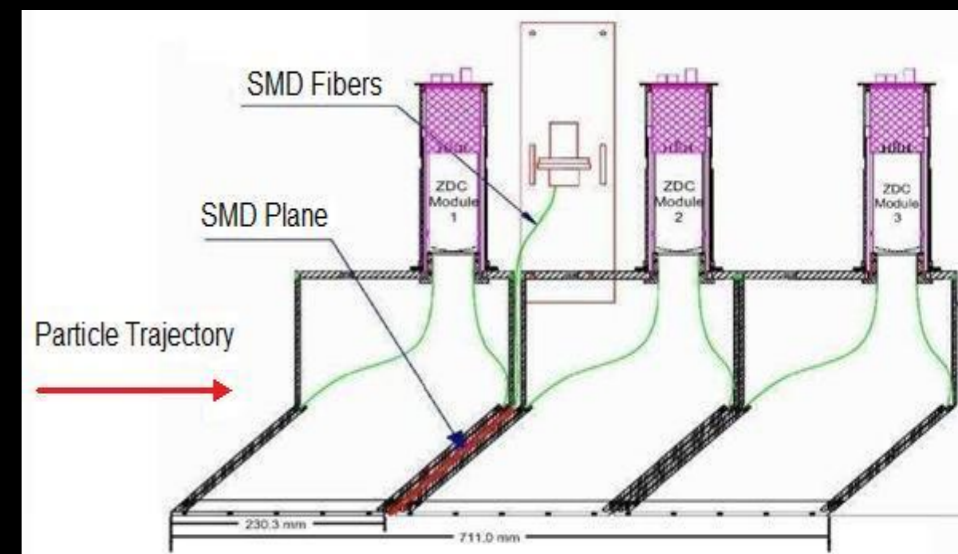
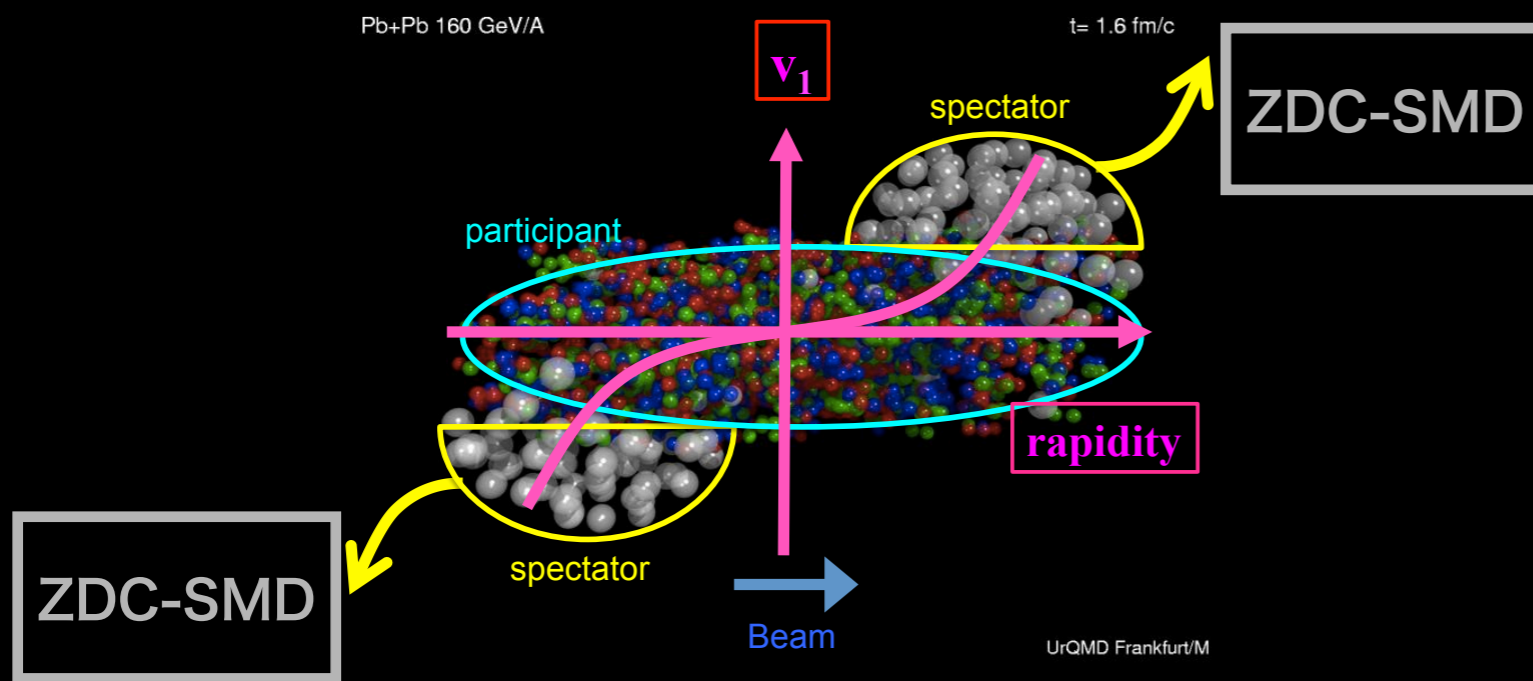
- ▶ Probe into the time evolution of quark production
- ▶ Also important input for theoretical prediction of CME/CMW

Solenoidal Tracker At RHIC (STAR)



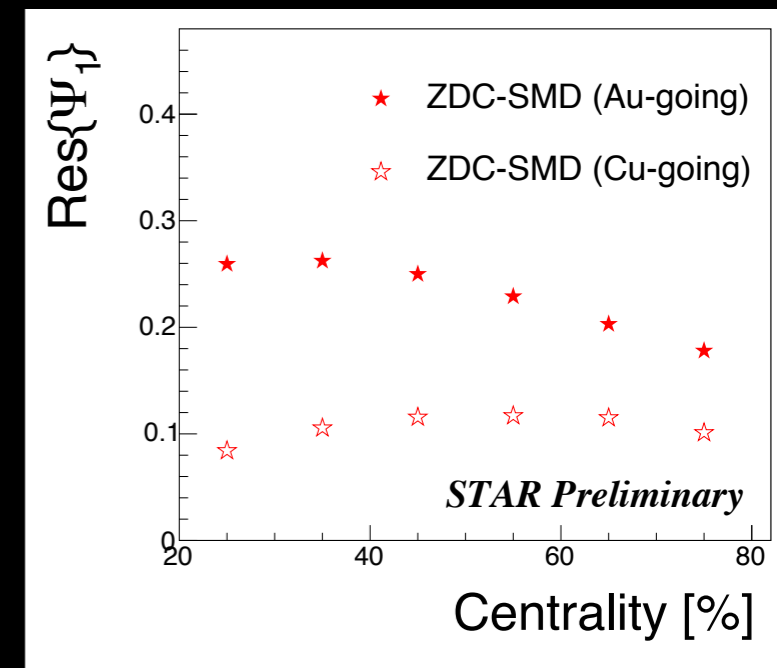
- ▶ Trigger detectors: VPD, ZDC (detecting spectator neutrons)
- ▶ Tracking of charged particles: TPC ($|\eta| < 1$)
- ▶ Event planes: ZDC-SMD, TPC, EEMC ($1 < \eta < 2$)

Directed flow measurement



- ▶ Ψ_1 determined by Zero Degree Calorimeter (ZDC) and Shower Max Detector (SMD)
 - ▶ measure the energy and position of spectator neutrons
 - ▶ located at $|\eta| > 6.3$
- ▶ Minimize the non-flow contribution like the momentum conservation and any other effects

$$v_1 = \langle \cos(\phi - \Psi_1) \rangle / \text{Res}\Psi_1$$





Measurements of azimuthal anisotropies

▶ Event plane method

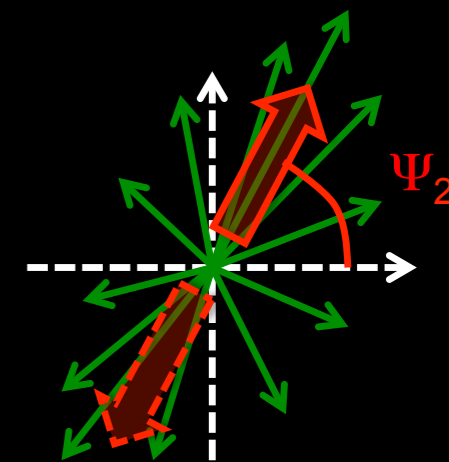
- Ψ_n ($n > 1$) determined by TPC(η -sub) and EEMC

$$v_n = \langle \cos[n(\phi - \Psi_n)] \rangle / \text{Res}\{\Psi_n\}$$

$$\Psi_n = \frac{1}{n} \tan^{-1}(Q_{n,y}/Q_{n,x})$$

$$Q_{n,x} = \sum w_i \cos(n\phi)$$

$$Q_{n,y} = \sum w_i \sin(n\phi)$$



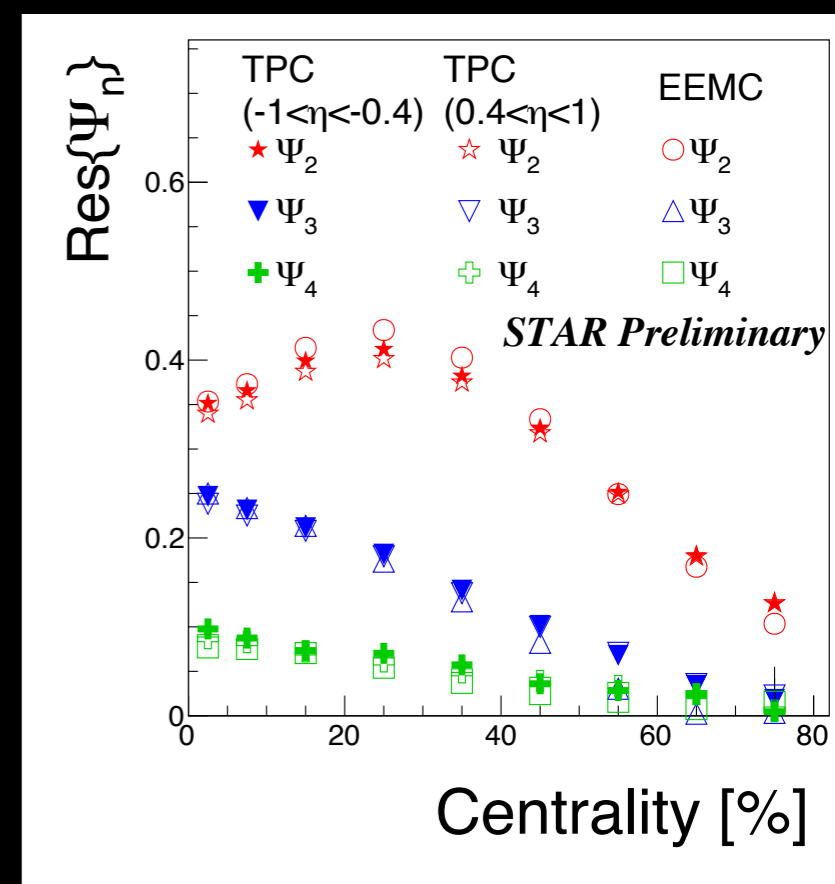
▶ Scalar product method

- STAR, PRC66.034904 (2002)
- v_n ($n > 1$) using flow vectors determined by TPC-tracks in forward and backward region

$$v_n = \frac{\langle \vec{Q}_n^{F(B)} \cdot \vec{u} \rangle}{\sqrt{\langle \vec{Q}_n^F \cdot \vec{Q}_n^B \rangle}}$$

▶ Systematic uncertainty

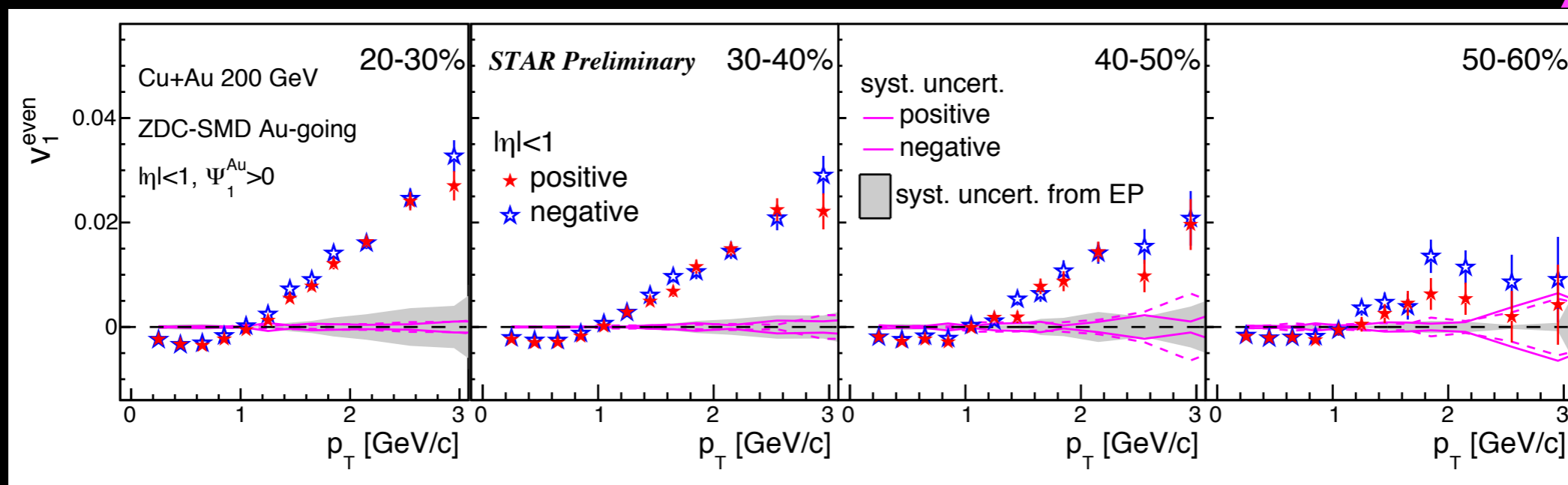
- variation of track selection
- For v_1 , EP resolutions from different 3-sub events
- For v_n , difference between TPC η -sub and EEMC



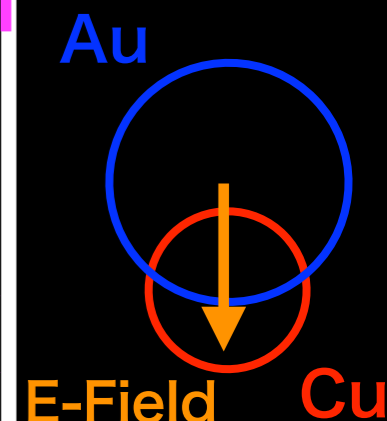


Charge-dependent directed flow

Cu-going direction: $\eta > 0$



$\Psi_1 \{ \text{Au-spectator} \}$

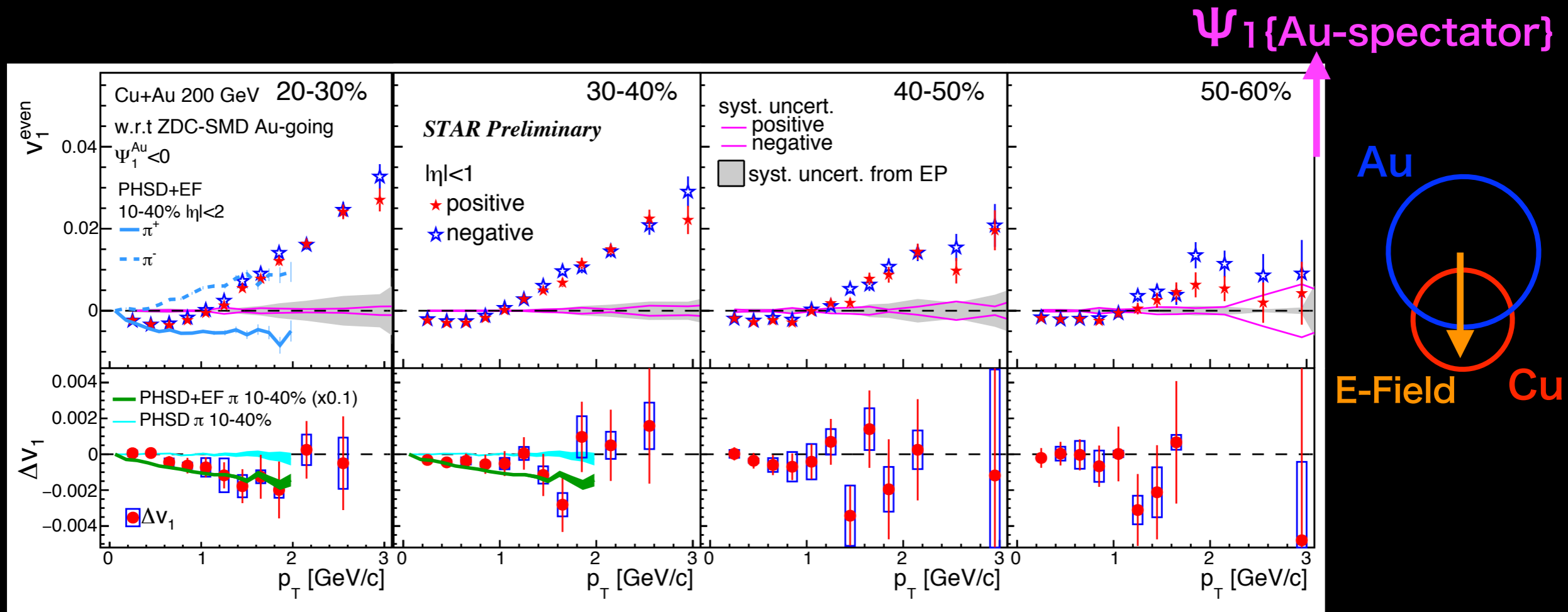


$$v_1 = \langle \cos(\phi - \Psi_1) \rangle$$

- ▶ Sizable v_1 measured relative to $\Psi_1 \{ \text{ZDC-SMD} \}$ in Au-going side ($\Psi_1^{\text{Au}} < 0$)
 - ⦿ v_1 become smaller in more peripheral collisions
 - ⦿ Negative v_1 in $p_T < 1 \text{ GeV}/c$: more low p_T particles in Cu-side
 - ⦿ Positive v_1 in $p_T > 1 \text{ GeV}/c$: more high p_T particles in Au-side
- ▶ Larger v_1 compared to A+A collisions
 - ▶ $|v_1^{\text{even}}| \sim 0.2\%$ in Pb+Pb 2.76 TeV, $|v_1^{\text{odd}}| \sim 0.3\%$ in Au+Au 200 GeV
 - ▶ Note: v_1^{even} in A+A is only due to density fluctuations



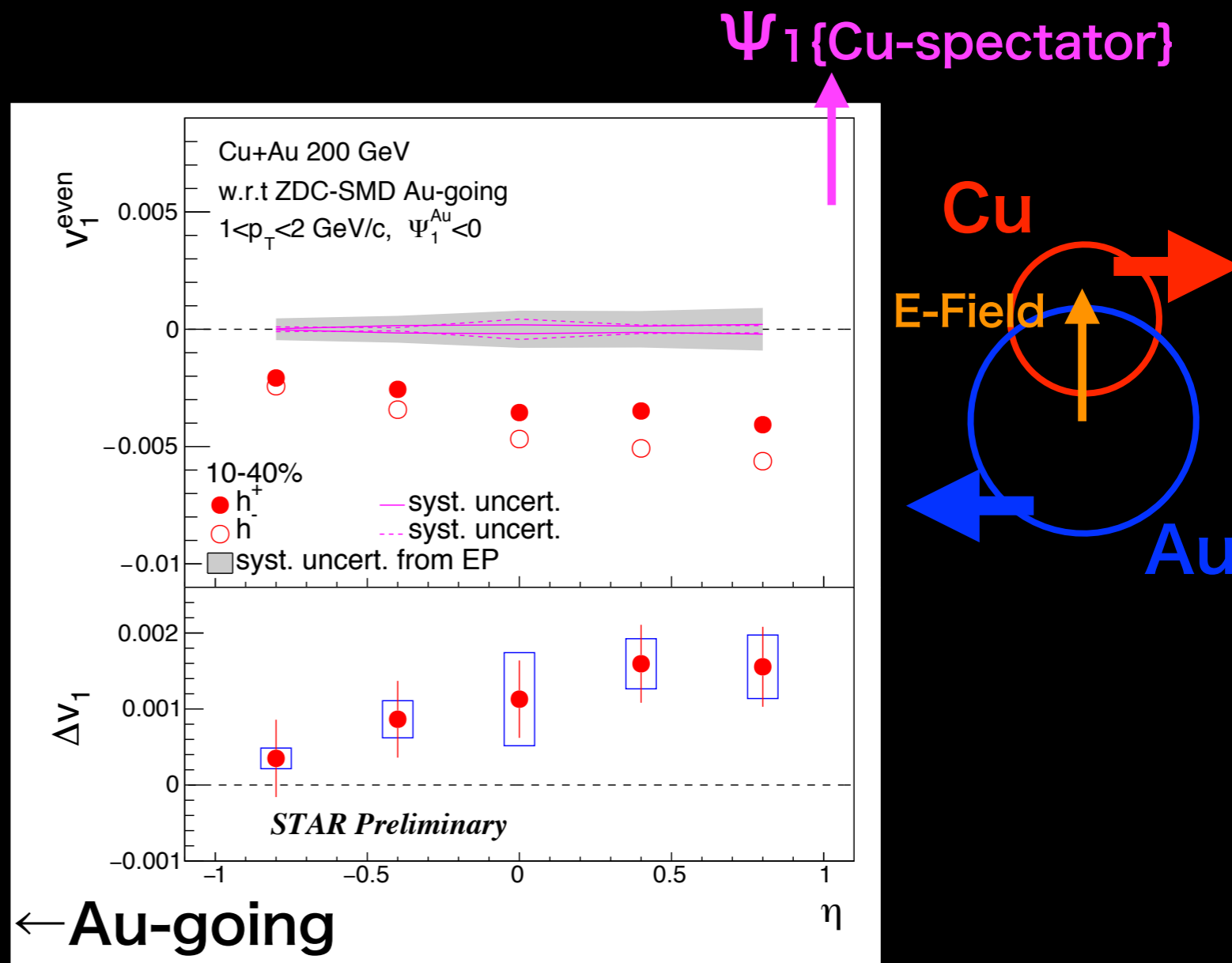
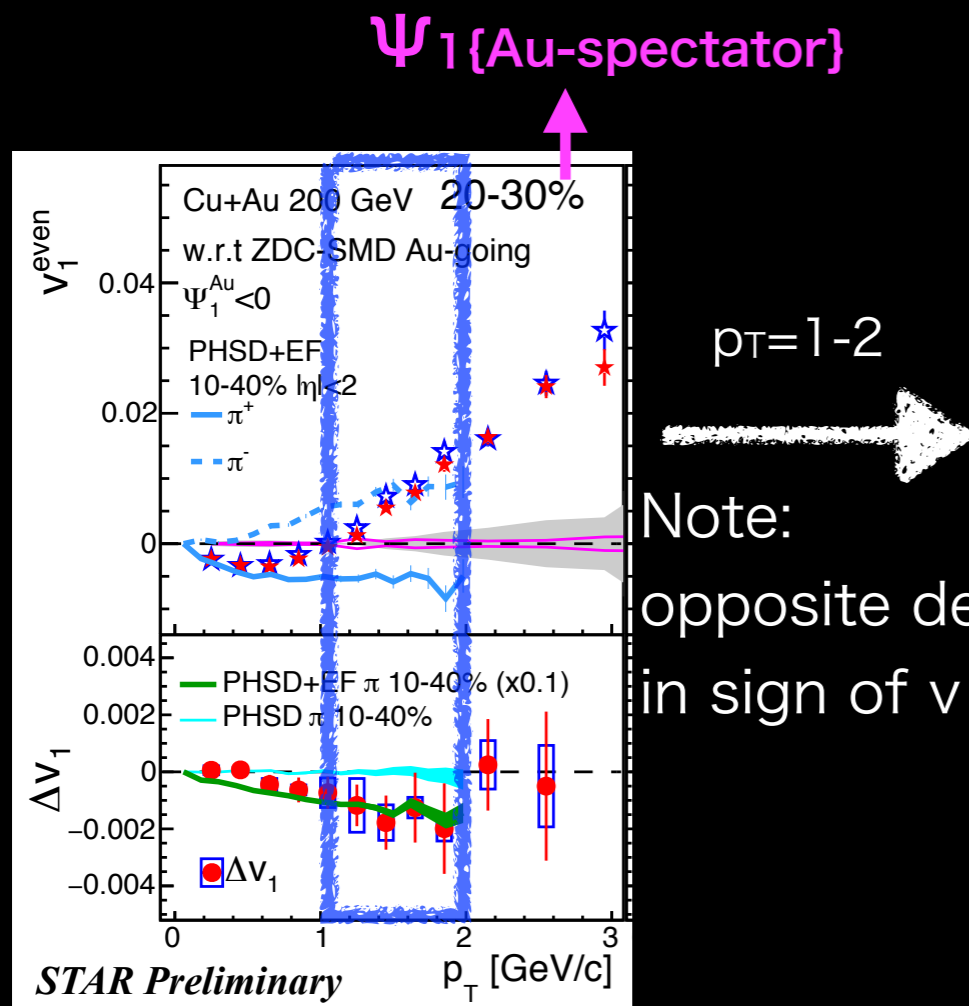
Charge-dependent directed flow



- ▶ $\Delta v_1 = v_1(h^+) - v_1(h^-)$, and $v_1 \sim 1\%$, $\Delta v_1 < 0.2\%$
 - Δv_1 looks to be negative in $p_T < 2$ GeV/c,
 - similar p_T dependence to PHSD model (PRC90.064903), but **smaller by a factor of 10**
- ▶ Finite Δv_1 indicates the **existence of E-field**
- ▶ Small Δv_1 indicates the **number of quarks at times earlier than the E-field life time (~ 0.25 fm/c) would be very small**
 - PHSD assumes all partons are present at $t \sim 0$ and affected by the E-field



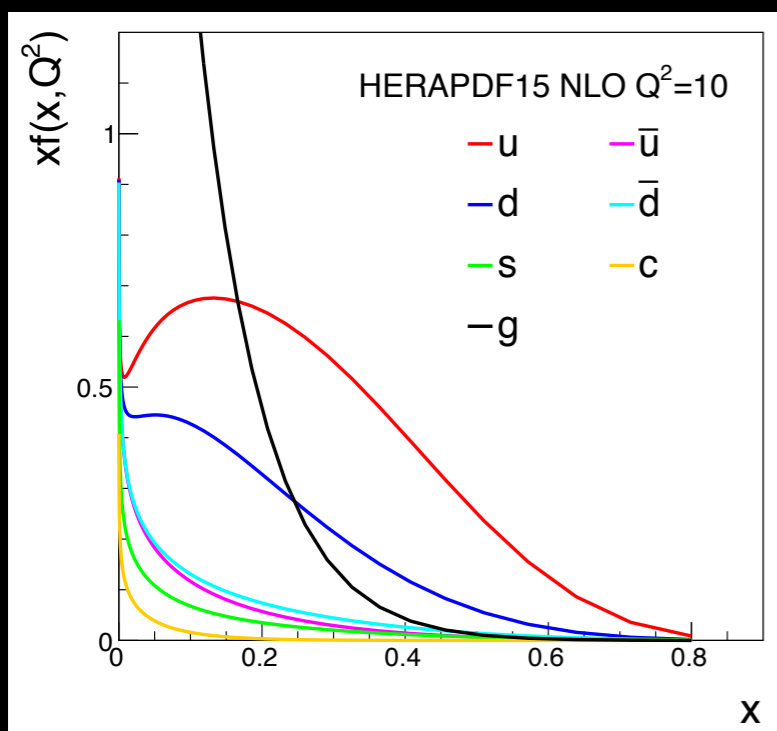
η dependence of v_1



- Charge-difference can be seen in $-1 < \eta < 1$ and $1 < p_T < 2$ GeV/c
 - Difference looks larger in Cu-going direction
 - Opposite trend to the PHSD model, related to asymmetric # of participants in forward and backward rapidity?



How many quarks at initial state?



<http://hepdata.cedar.ac.uk/>

▶ Rough estimate from PDF

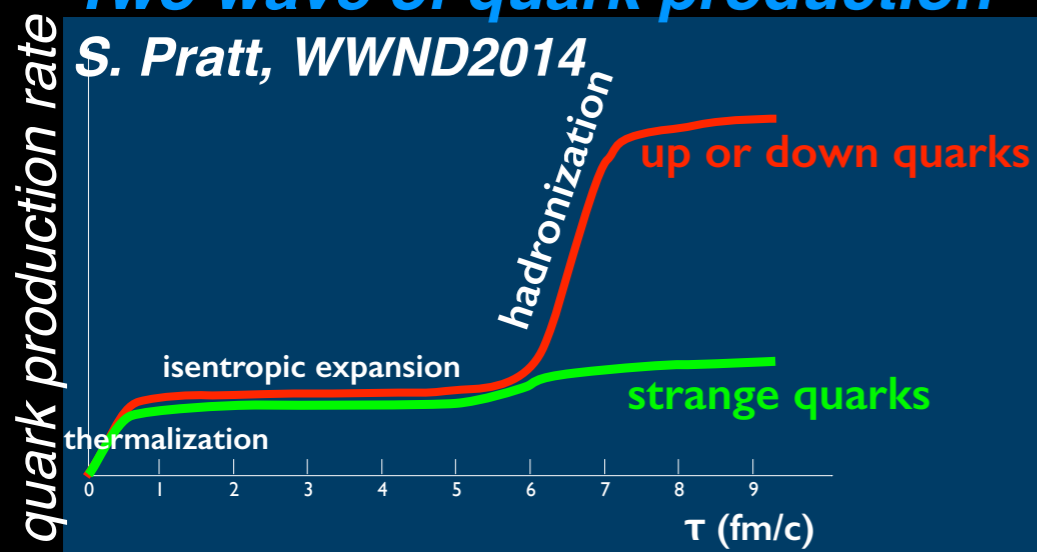
- Quark density in PDF → Quarks at initial state
- Quarks + Gluons in PDF → All quarks created
 - Assuming gluons are converted to 2 quarks at final state

$$x \sim \frac{p_T}{\sqrt{s}} e^\eta$$

- $0.2 < p_T < 1$ GeV/c, $|\eta| < 1$, $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV → $4 \times 10^{-4} < x < 0.01$
- Initial quarks/All quarks created **~15%**, which is close to 10% obtained from $\Delta v_1 + \text{PHSD}$ model

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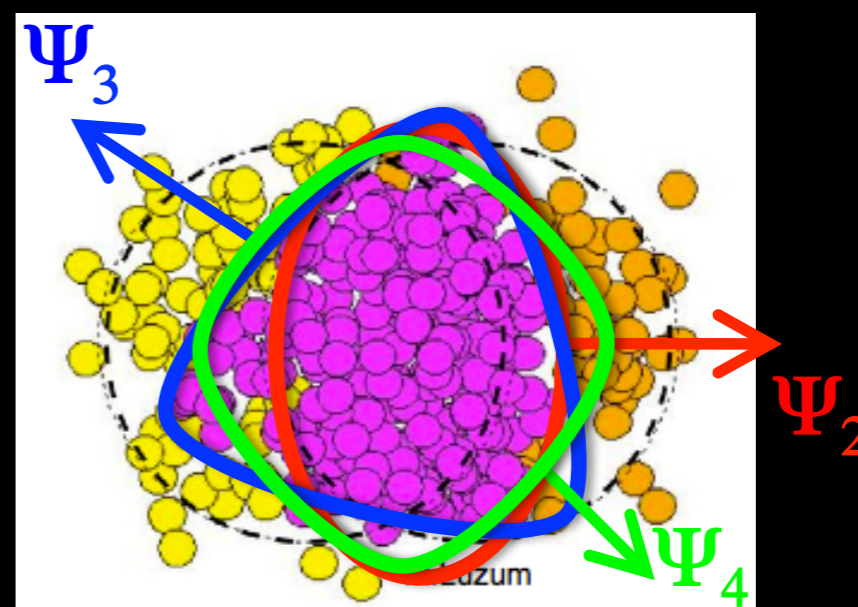
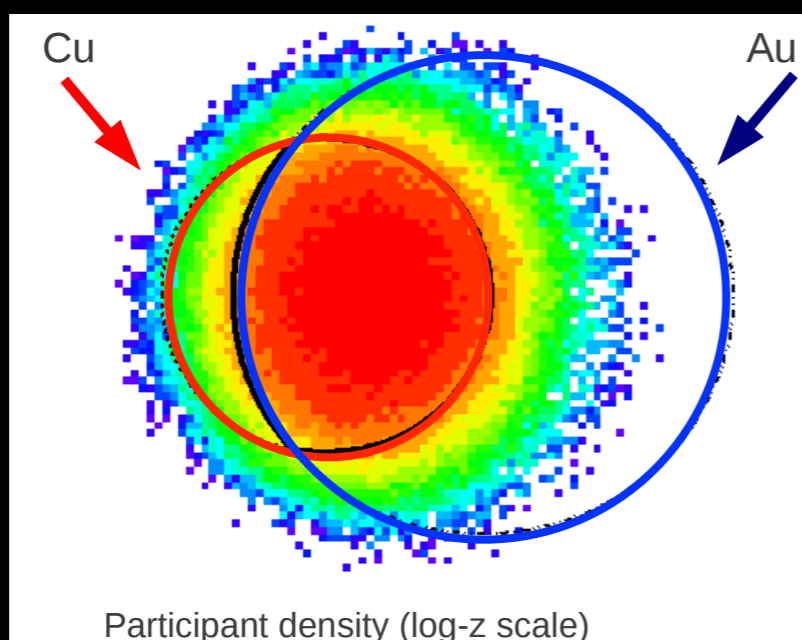
Suggest small fraction of initial quarks to all quarks!

Possible explanation?

- Two wave scenario of light quark production, where small fraction of quarks are created at early time

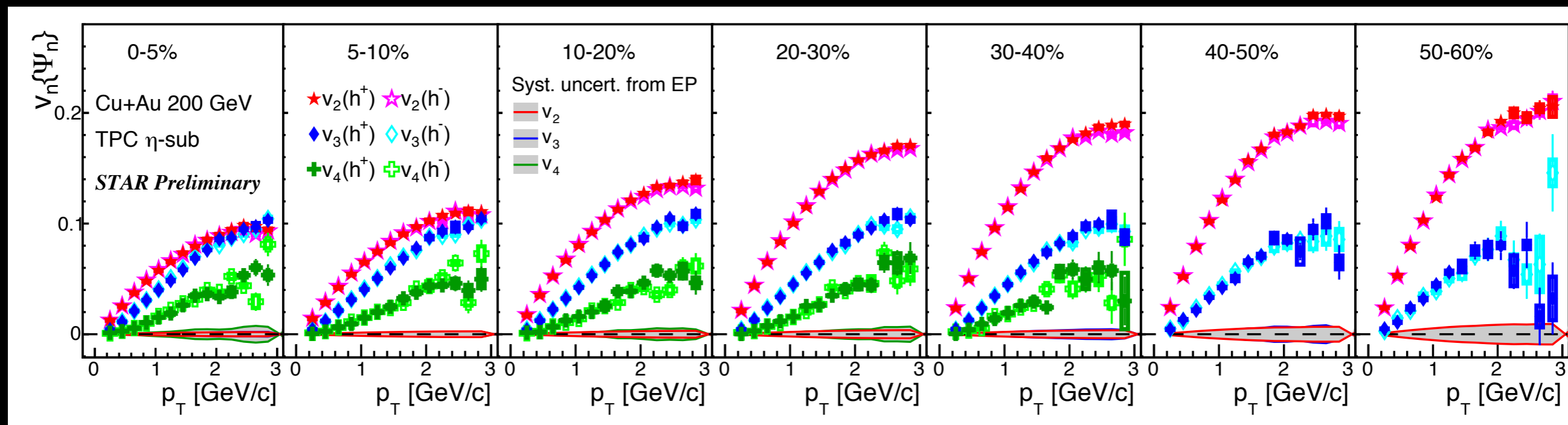
Higher-order flow

- ▶ Higher-order flow under the asymmetric pressure gradient
 - Any difference from symmetric collisions, especially in odd components?
 - Good test of the hydrodynamic model which reasonably describes the symmetric collisions



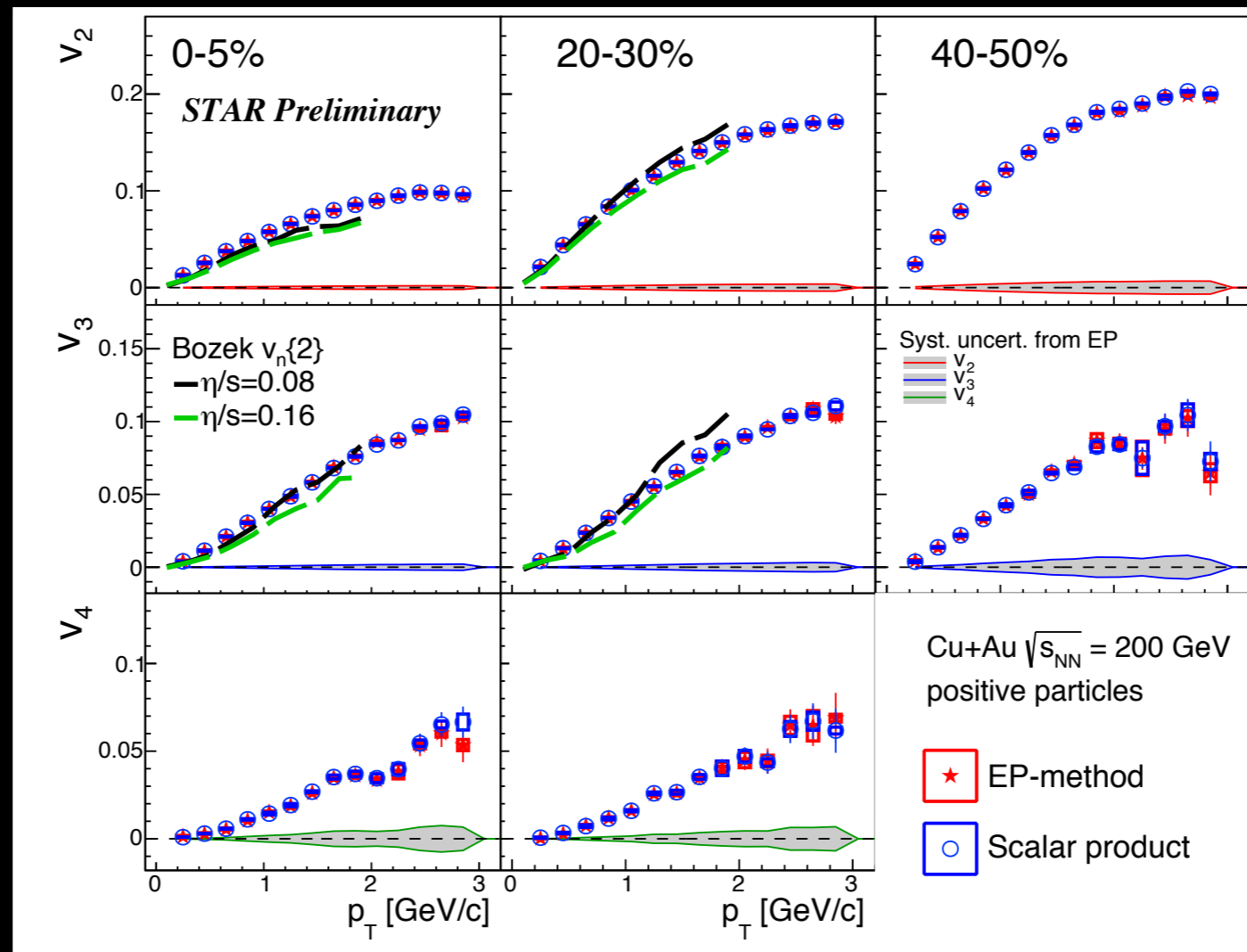


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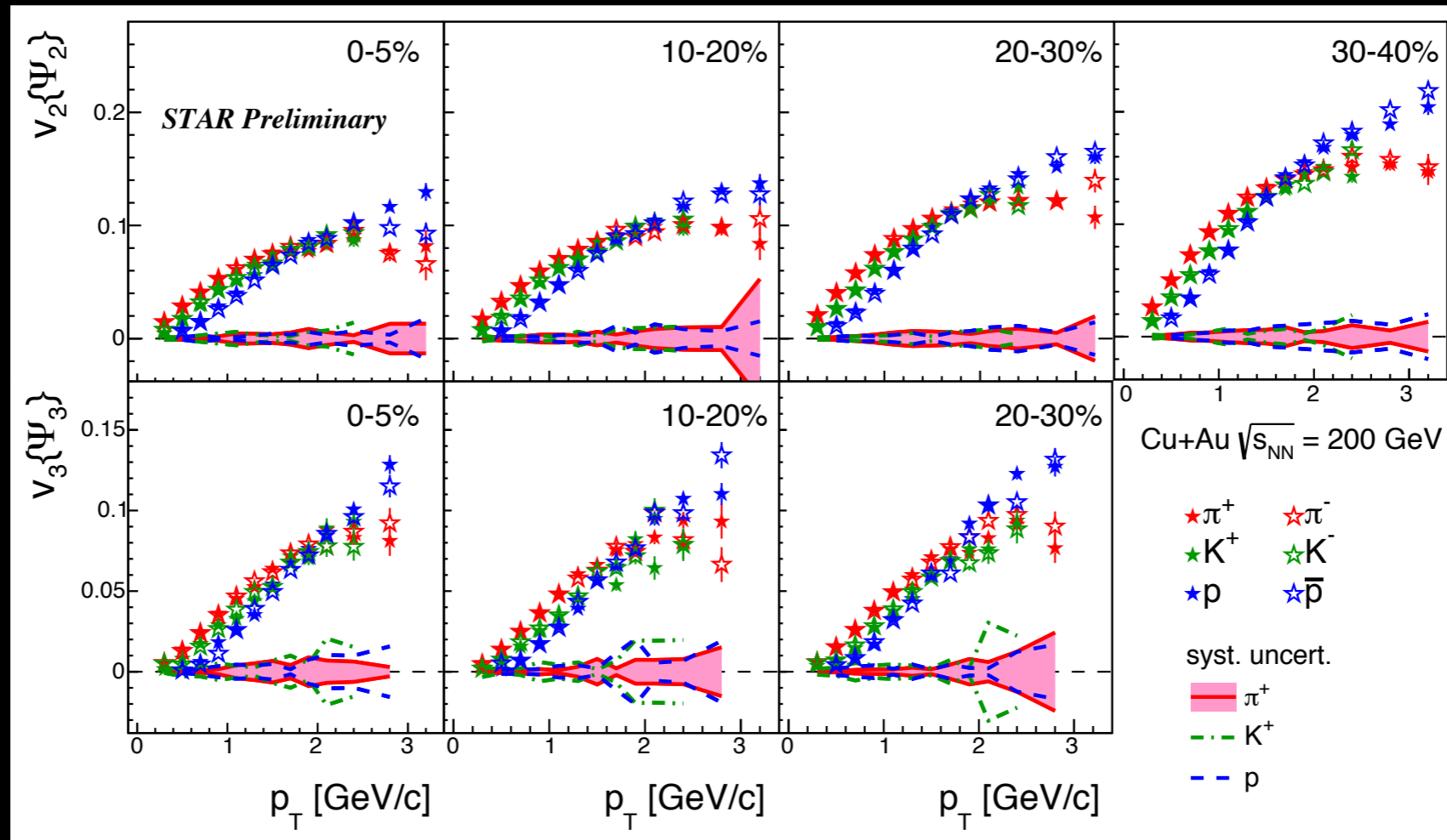
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 - ◉ Slightly larger in most central events due to the intrinsic triangularity?
- ▶ Finite v_4 is observed
 - ◉ weaker centrality dependence than Au+Au
- ▶ No charge dependence for v_n ($n \geq 2$)

Comparison with Hydro-model



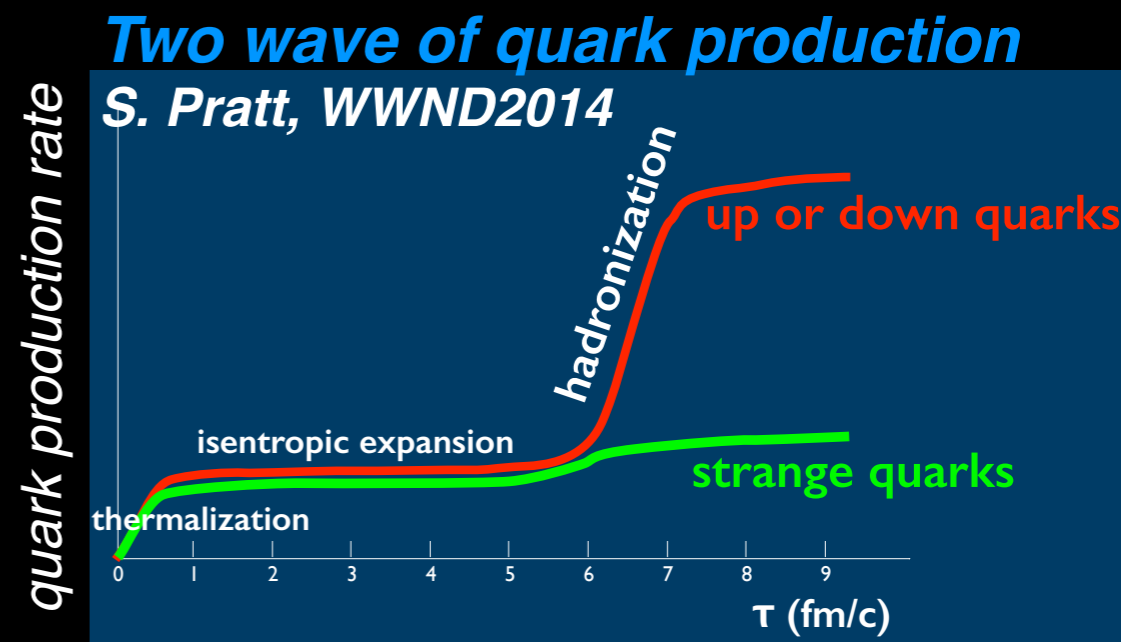
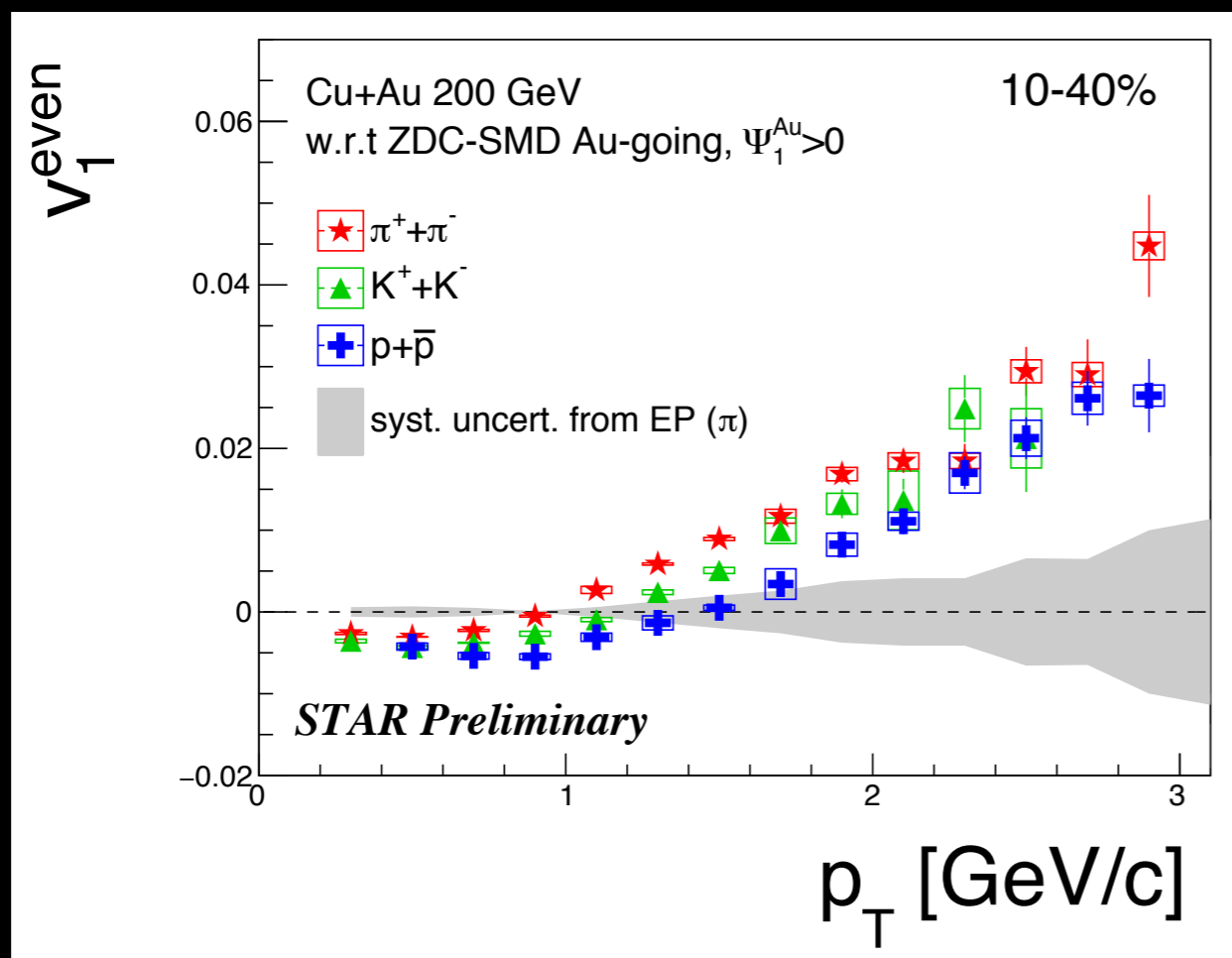
- ▶ $v_n\{\text{EP}\}$ is in good agreement with $v_n\{\text{SP}\}$
- ▶ v_2 and v_3 are described well by e-b-e viscous hydrodynamic model
 - Bozek, PLB.717(2012)287
 - The data are close to the model calculations with $\eta/s=0.08$ and 0.16

Identified Particle v_n



- ▶ π /K/p identification by TPC + TOF
- ▶ Similar trends observed in A+A collisions
 - ◉ Mass ordering at low p_T (effect of radial flow)
 - ◉ Baryon/meson splitting at intermediate p_T (partonic flow)

Identified Particle v_1



- ▶ Mass ordering at low p_T is seen as well as v_2 and v_3
 - ⦿ this is also explained by the radial flow (Voloshin et al., NPA638,455(1998))
- ▶ Would be interesting to look at charge-dependent kaons
 - ⦿ To test the two wave scenario, where s and u quark productions are supposed to be different



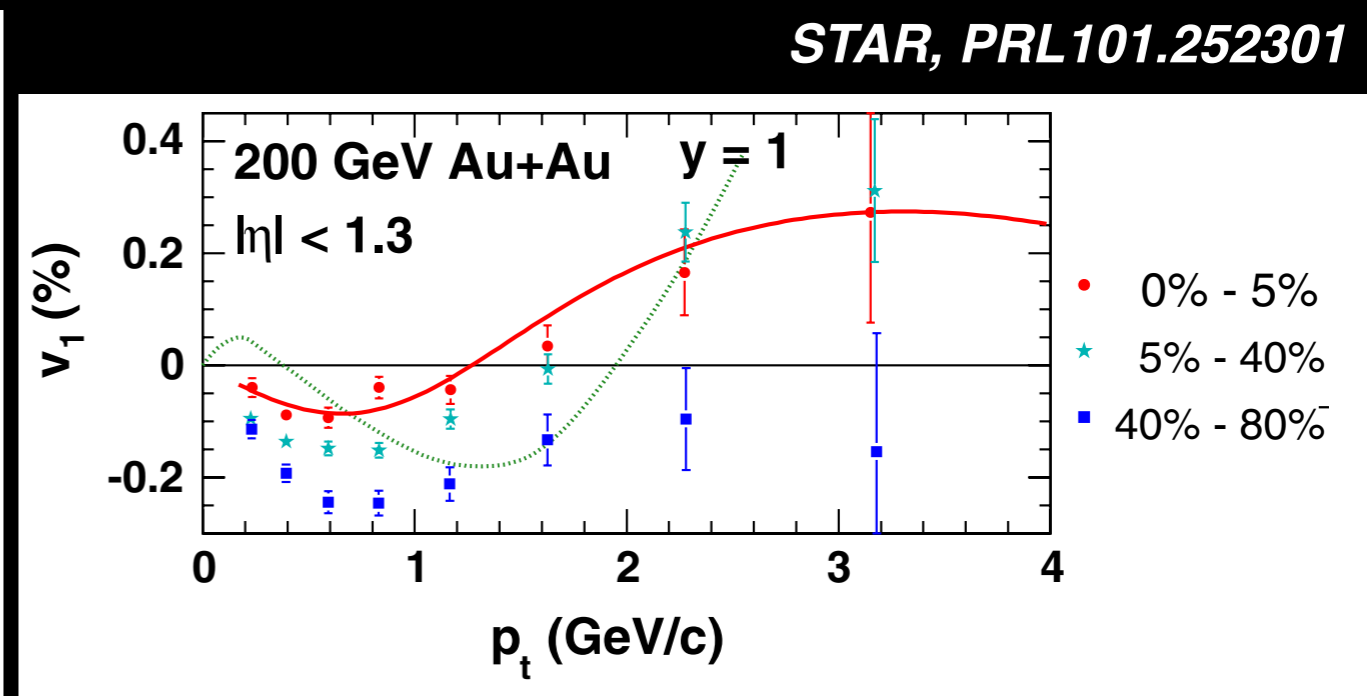
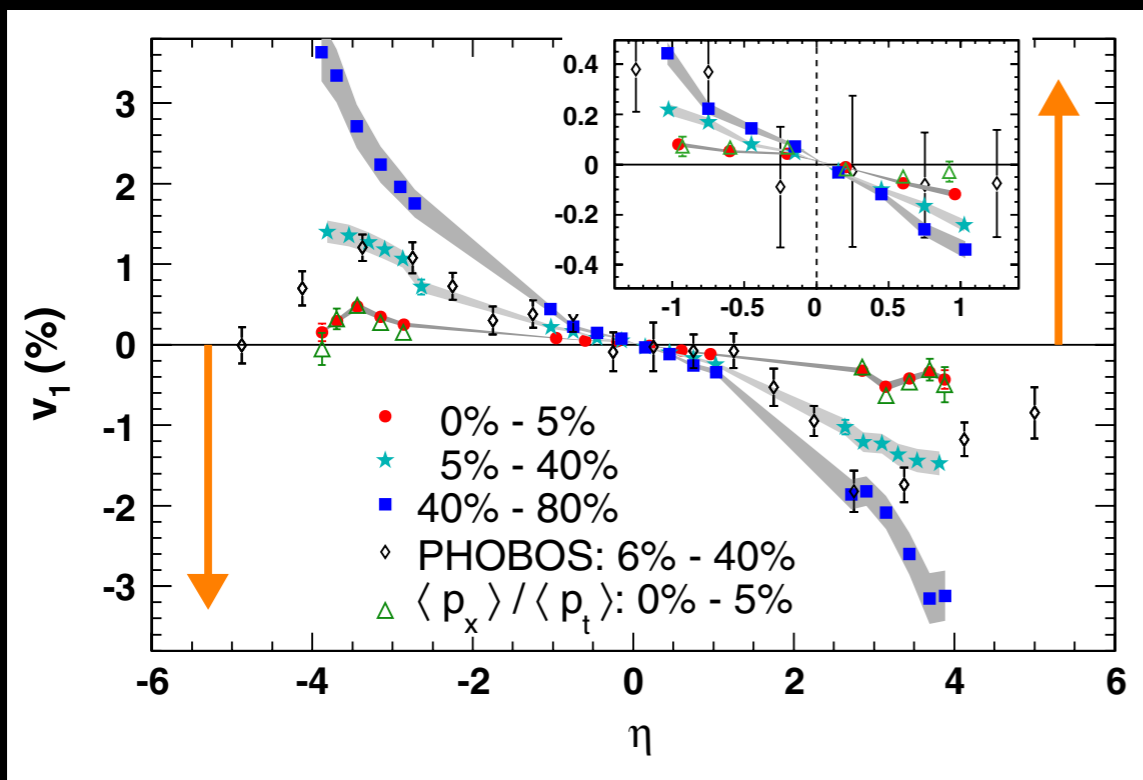
Summary

- ▶ Charge-dependent directed flow in Cu+Au collisions
 - ◉ Charge difference of v_1 was observed, which is consistent with an existence of the initial electric field
 - ◉ Observed Δv_1 is much smaller than the PHSD model prediction, likely indicating that the number of initial (anti-)quarks would be very small when the E-Field is strong ($t < 0.25$ fm/c)
 - ◉ Simple estimate with PDF is consistent with the above interpretation
- ▶ Important input for understanding the time evolution of quark density, which also leads to better estimate of CME/CMW signals
- ▶ Higher-order flow (v_2 - v_4) in Cu+Au
 - ◉ v_3 has a similar centrality dependence to Au+Au, and v_4 has a weaker centrality dependence than Au+Au
 - ◉ PID v_1 , v_2 , and v_3 have been presented

Thank you for your attention!

Back up

v_1^{odd} in Au+Au 200GeV



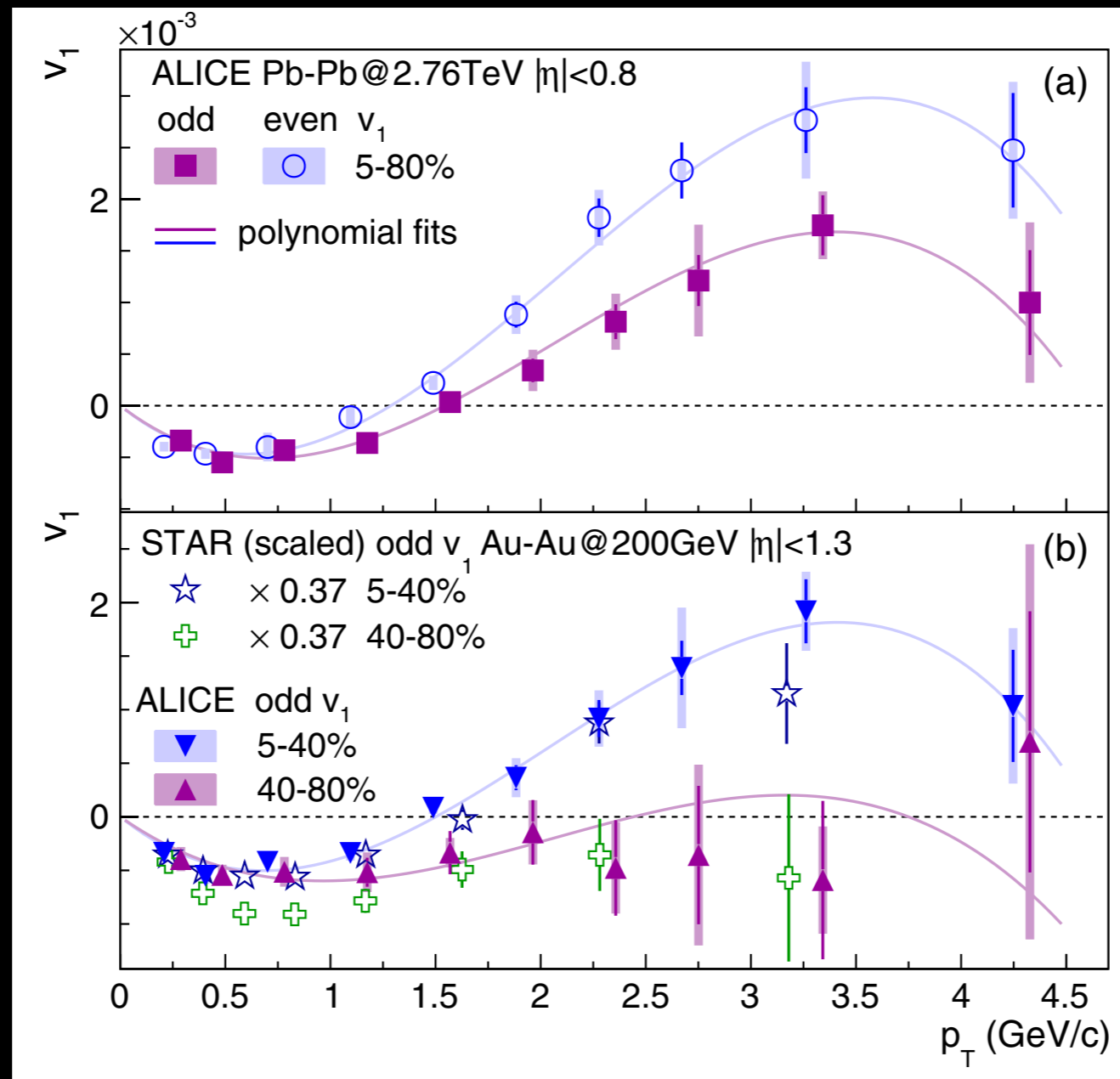
► Small signal of v_1 at mid-rapidity in Au+Au collisions

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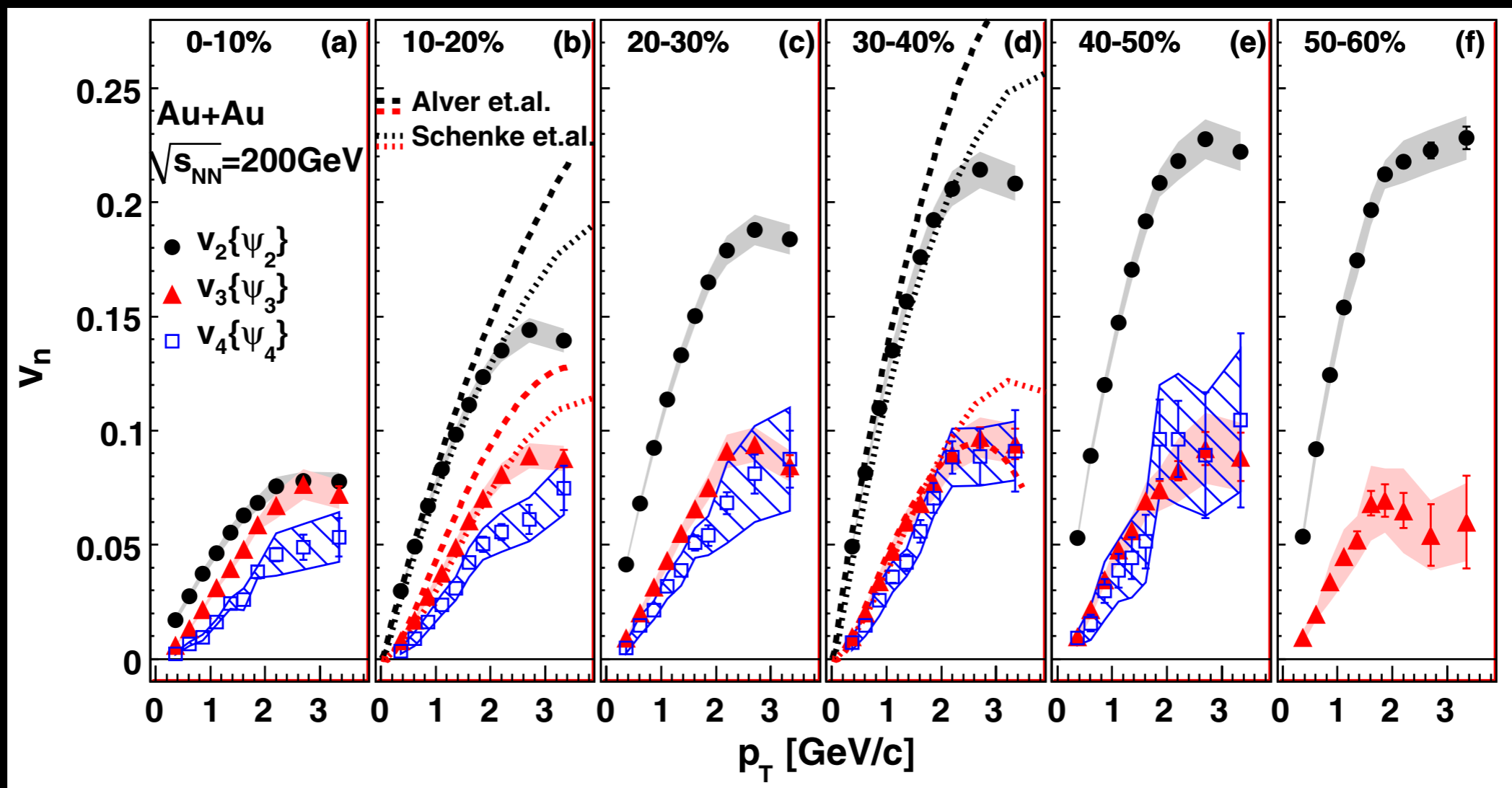
v_1^{even} and v_1^{odd} in Pb+Pb 2.76 TeV

v_1 in Au+Au vs Pb+Pb
ALICE, PRL111.23202



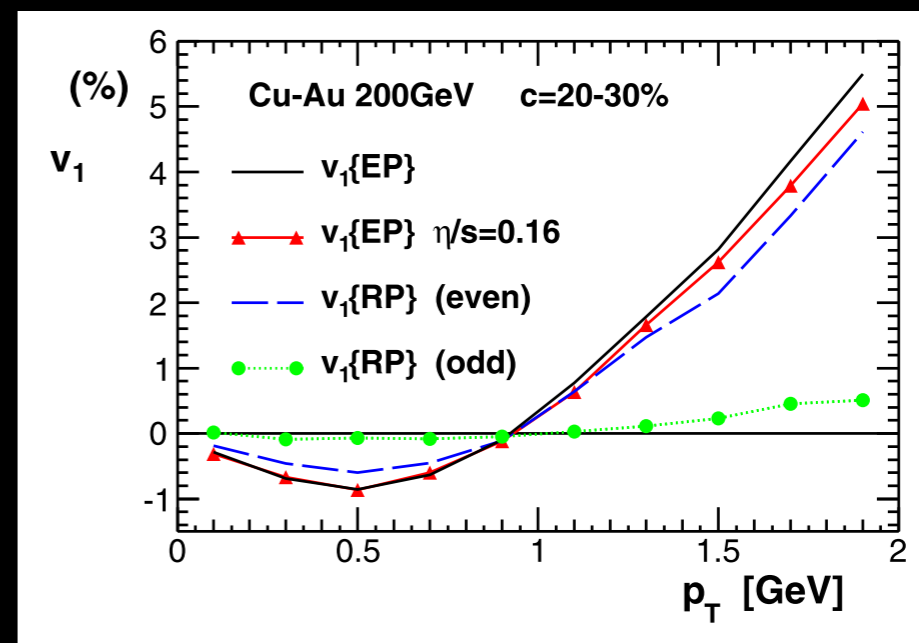
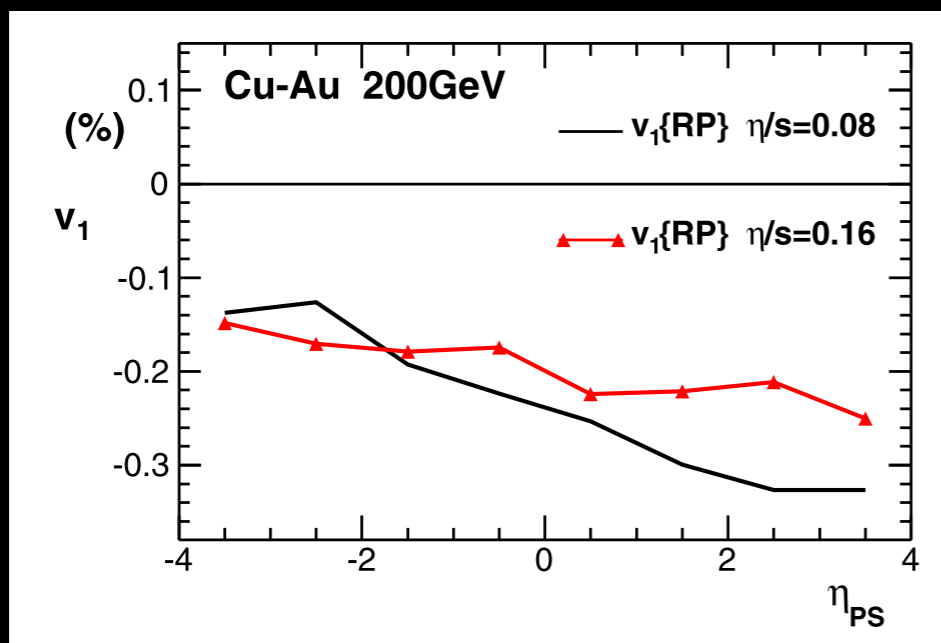
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PHENIX, PRL107.252301





E-b-e viscous hydrodynamics in Cu+Au



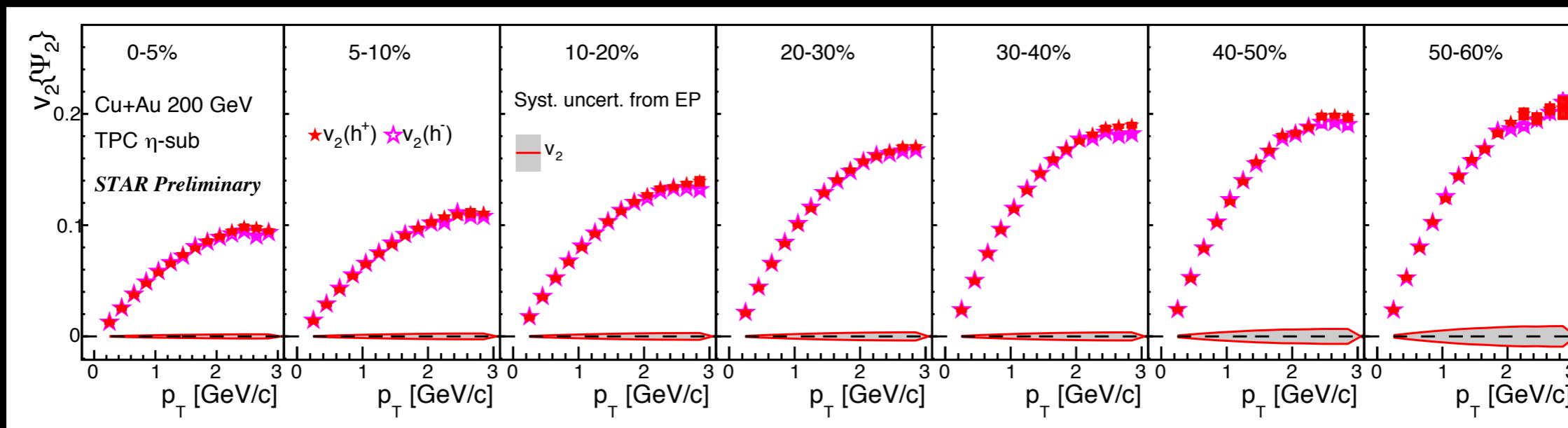
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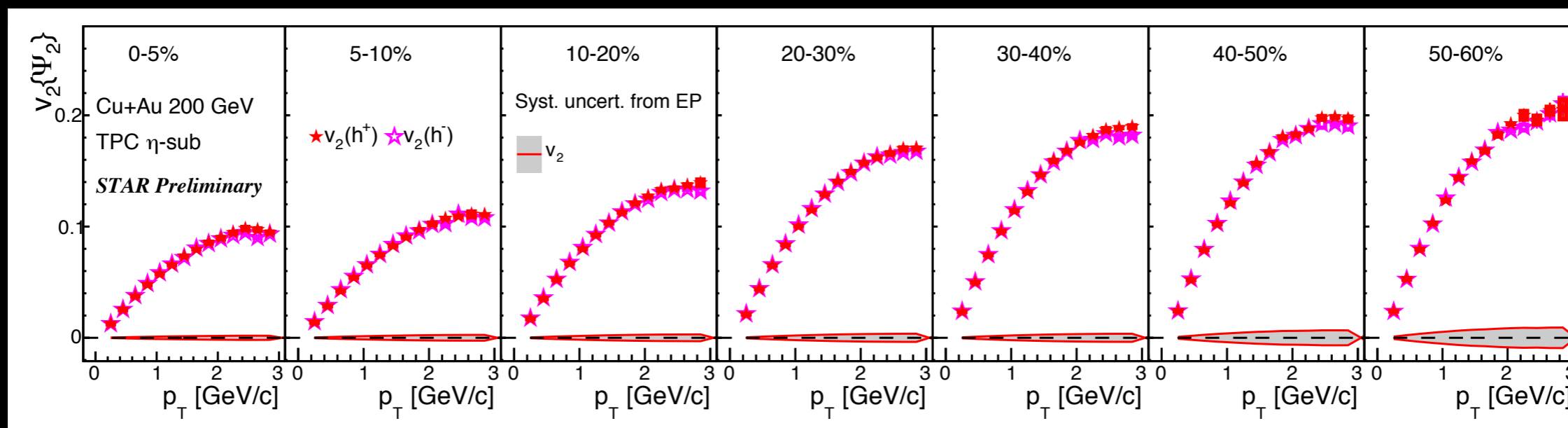
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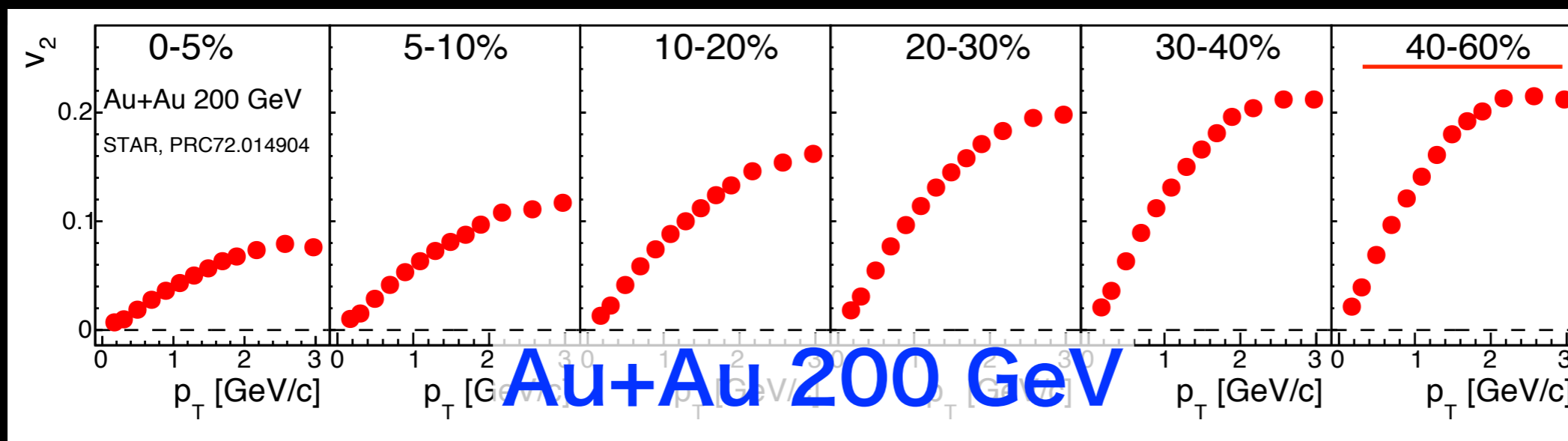
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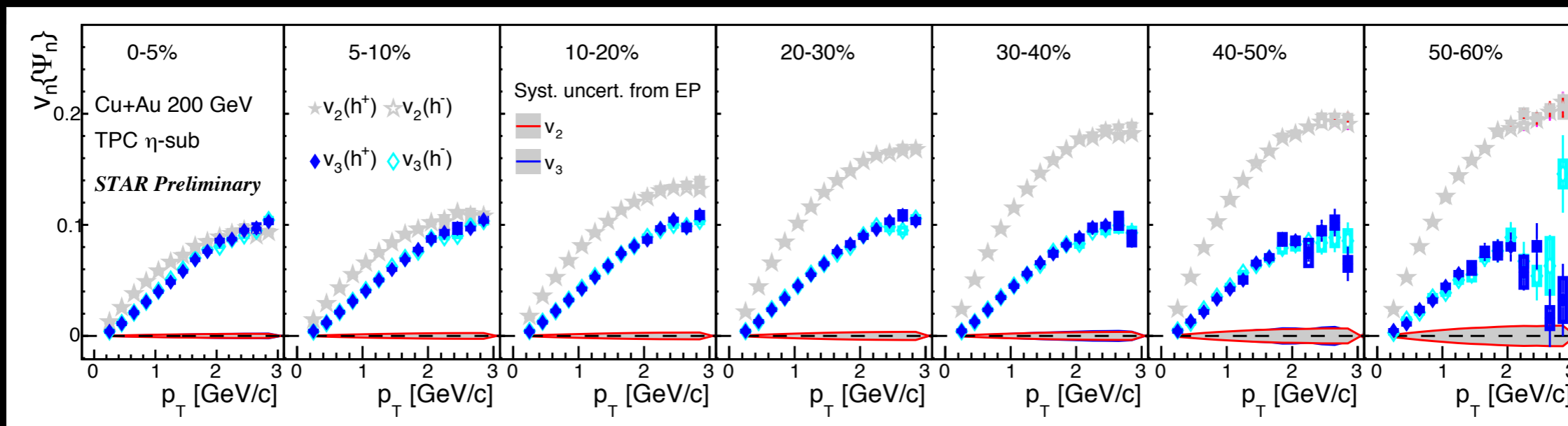
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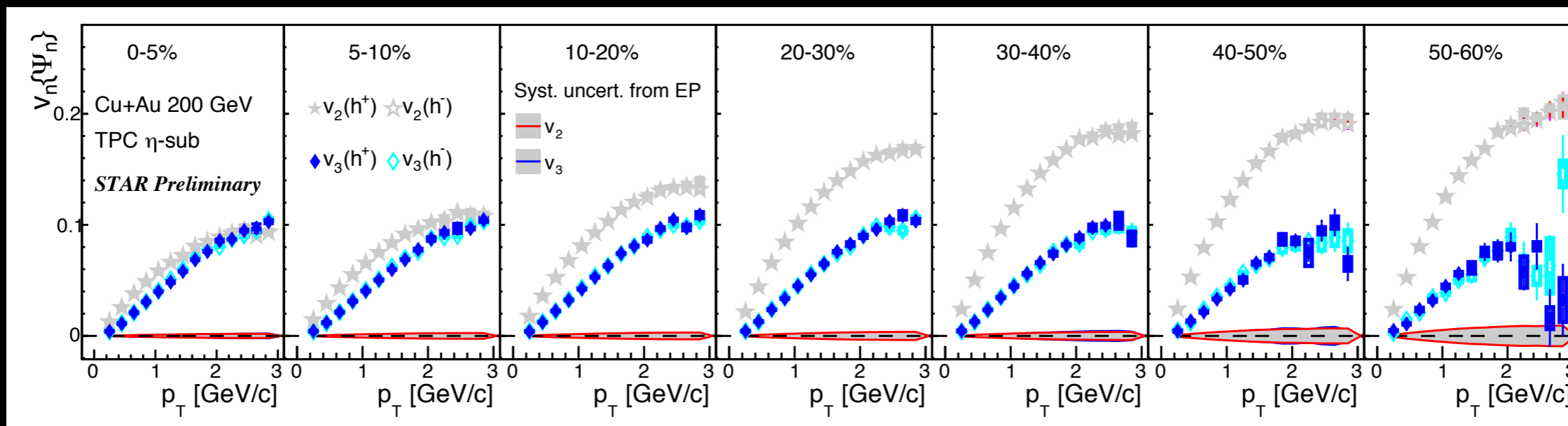
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