

The elliptic flow of identified particles in Au + Au collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 3.0\text{-}4.5$ GeV from STAR

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1 The elliptic flow (v_2) is the second harmonic coefficient in a Fourier expansion of the
2 azimuthal distribution with respect to the reaction plane. It is sensitive to the strength
3 of interactions among the constituents and serves as an effective probe of the degrees of
4 freedom within the system. The observation that Number of Constituent Quarks (NCQ)
5 scaling is absent at 3 GeV indicates the absence of partonic effects in this system.
6 In this poster, we will present measurements of v_2 for $\pi^\pm$, $K^\pm$, K_S^0 and Λ in Au
7 + Au collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 3.0\text{-}4.5$ GeV from the RHIC-STAR experiment. The NCQ
8 scaling will be tested as a function of collision energy. In addition, the p_T -integrated v_2
9 of identified particles will be shown as a function of energy. The inferred information
10 related to the QCD phase structure will be discussed.