

# Triangular flow in Au + Au collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 17.3$ GeV from RHIC-STAR

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Triangular flow in heavy-ion collisions,  $v_3$ , represents the third harmonic coefficient in the Fourier expansion of the azimuthal distribution of produced particles relative to the collision event plane. Since  $v_3$  is sensitive to initial fluctuations of nucleons, it serves as a valuable tool for studying the fluctuations of the early initial conditions of the system and the subsequent evolution process.

We will present measurements of the third-order flow coefficient  $v_3$  for  $\pi^\pm$ ,  $K^\pm$ ,  $p$ ,  $\bar{p}$ ,  $\Lambda$ ,  $\bar{\Lambda}$ ,  $K_S^0$ ,  $\Xi^-$ ,  $\bar{\Xi}^+$ ,  $\Omega^-$ ,  $\bar{\Omega}^+$  and  $\phi$  mesons in  $Au + Au$  collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 17.3$  GeV, utilizing the Beam Energy Scan (BES-II) dataset from the STAR experiment at RHIC. We will discuss the centrality dependence of  $v_3$  as well as the number of constituent quark scaling (NCQ scaling) for all the particles mentioned above.