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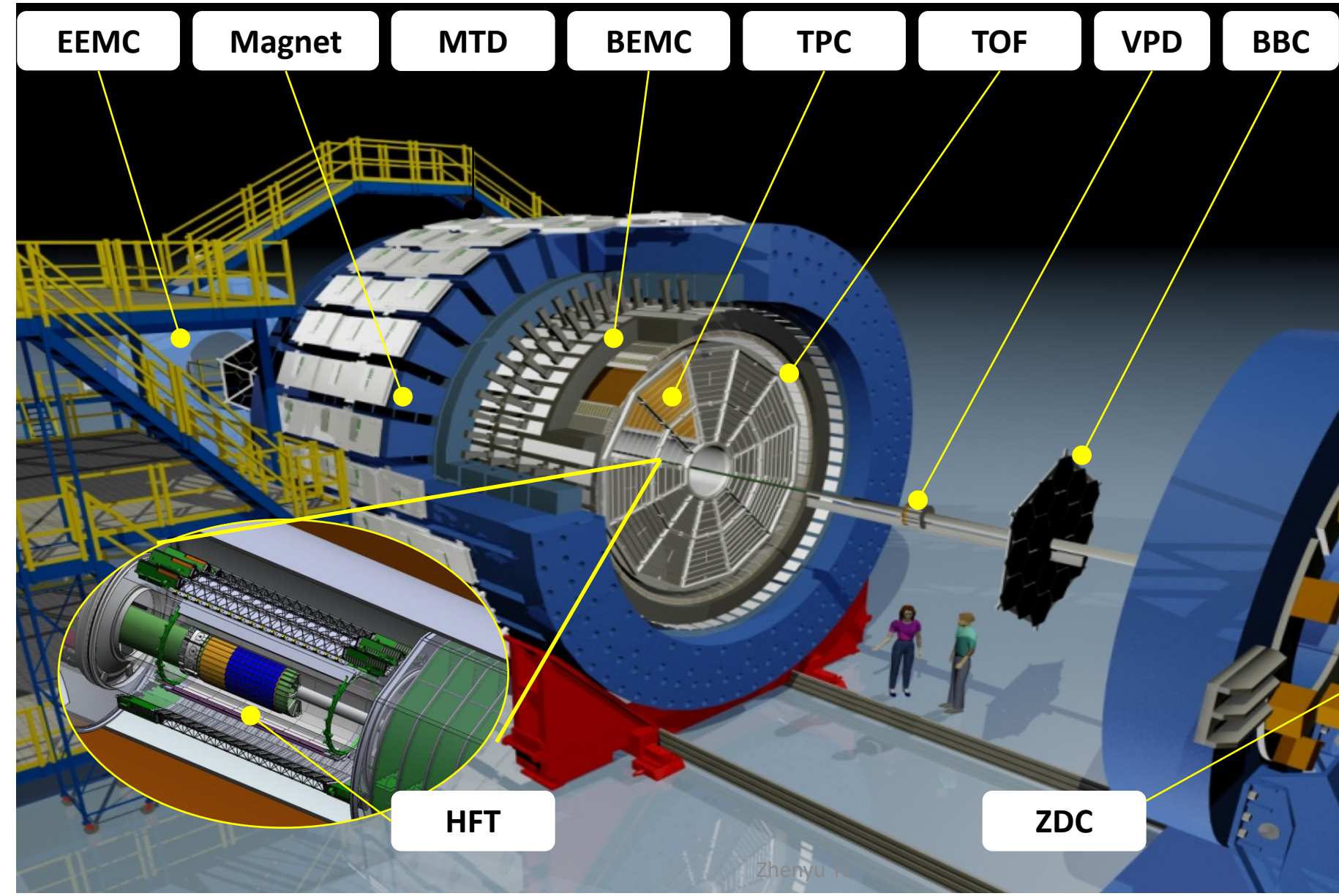
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# Highlights from STAR

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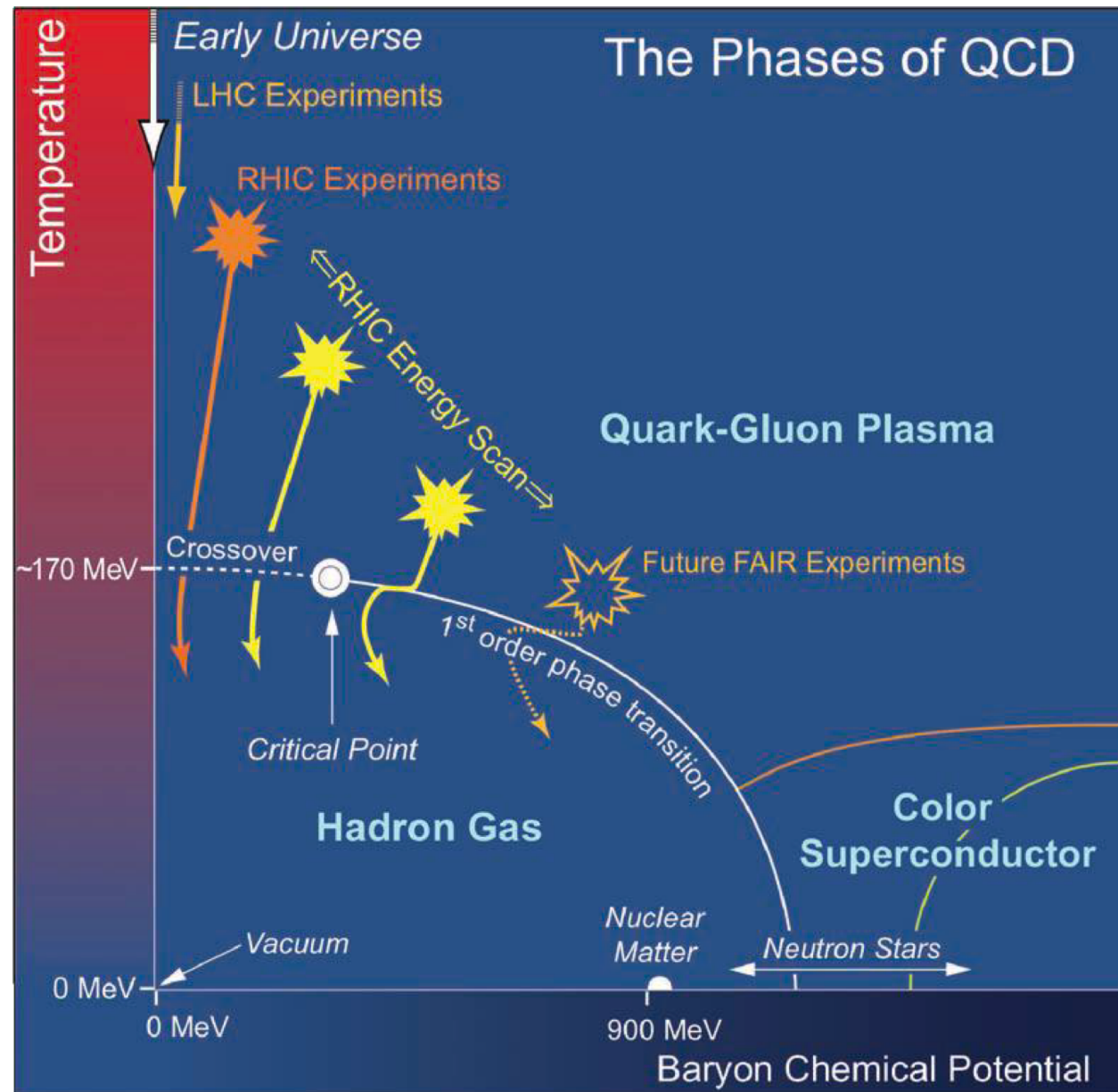
# STAR Detector



- **Tracking and PID (full  $2\pi$ )**  
 TPC:  $|\eta| < 1$   
 TOF:  $|\eta| < 1$   
 BEMC:  $|\eta| < 1$   
 EEMC:  $1 < \eta < 2$   
 HFT (2014-2016):  $|\eta| < 1$   
 MTD (2014+):  $|\eta| < 0.5$
- **MB trigger and event plane reconstruction**  
 BBC:  $3.3 < |\eta| < 5$   
 EPD (2018+):  $2.1 < |\eta| < 5.1$   
 FMS:  $2.5 < \eta < 4$   
 VPD:  $4.2 < |\eta| < 5$   
 ZDC:  $6.5 < |\eta| < 7.5$
- **On-going/future upgrades**  
 iTPC (2019+):  $|\eta| < 1.5$   
 eTOF (2019+):  $-1.6 < \eta < -1$   
 FCS (2021+):  $2.5 < \eta < 4$   
 FTS (2021+):  $2.5 < \eta < 4$

Zhenyu Ye

# Introduction



## RHIC Top Energy

p+p, p+Al, p+Au, d+Au,  $^3\text{He}+\text{Au}$ , Cu+Cu, Cu+Au, Ru+Ru, Zr+Zr, Au+Au, U+U

- QCD at high energy density/temperature
- Properties of QGP, EoS

## Beam Energy Scan

Au+Au  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 7.7-62$  GeV

- QCD phase transition
- Search for critical point
- Turn-off of QGP signatures

## Fixed-Target Program

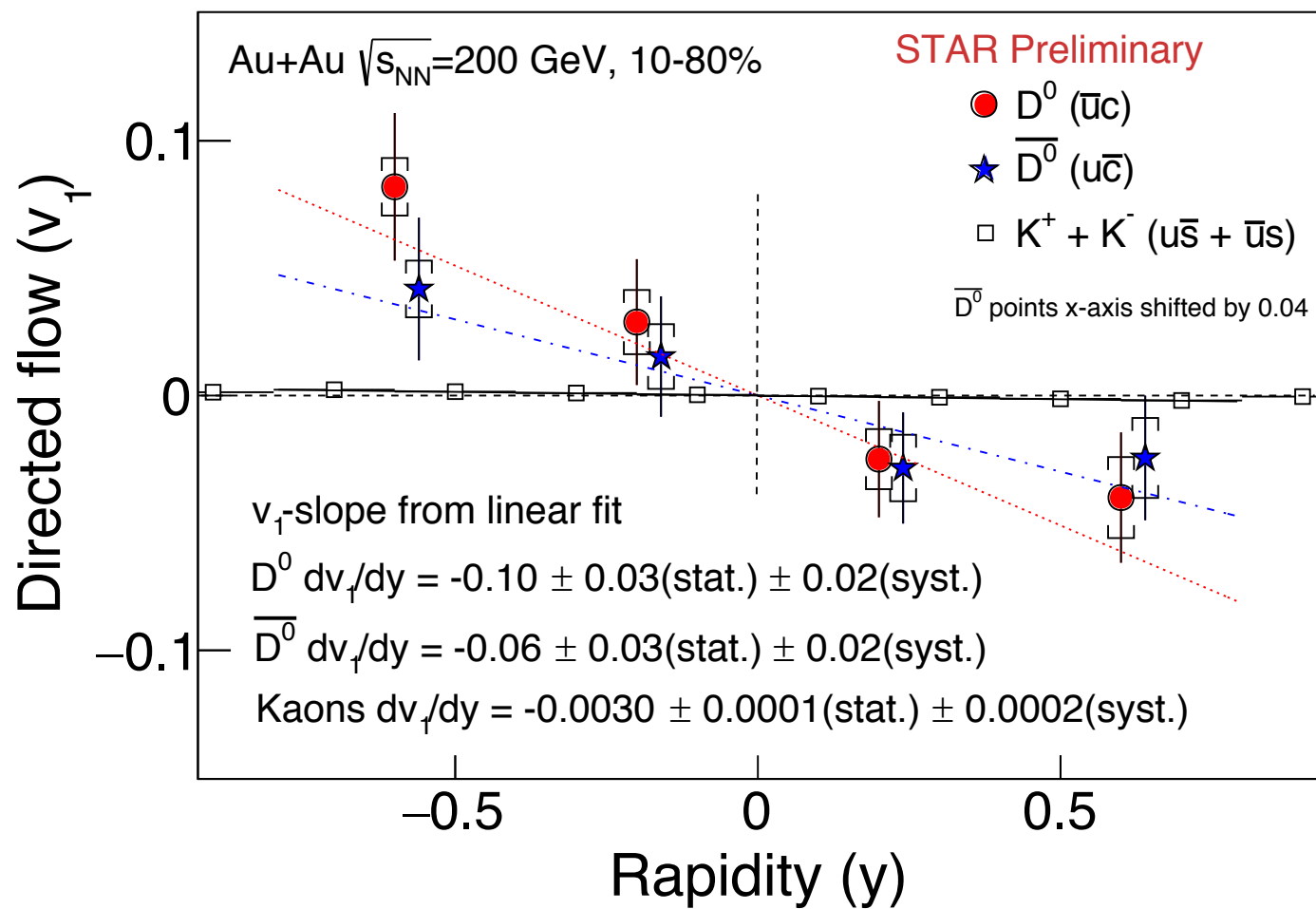
Au+Au  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 3.0-7.7$  GeV

- High baryon density regime with  $\mu_B \sim 420-720$  MeV

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# $D^0$ Directed Flow in 200 GeV Au+Au Collisions



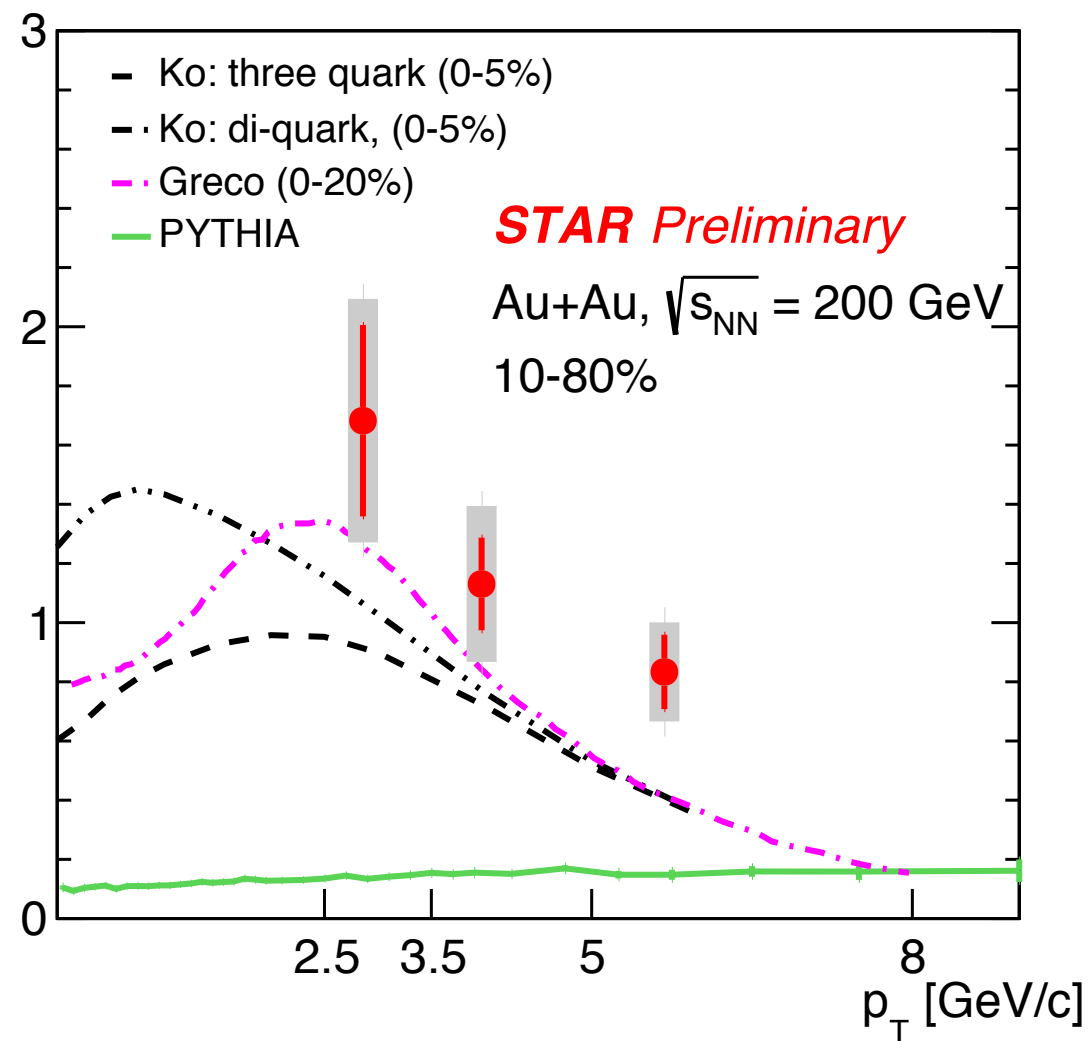
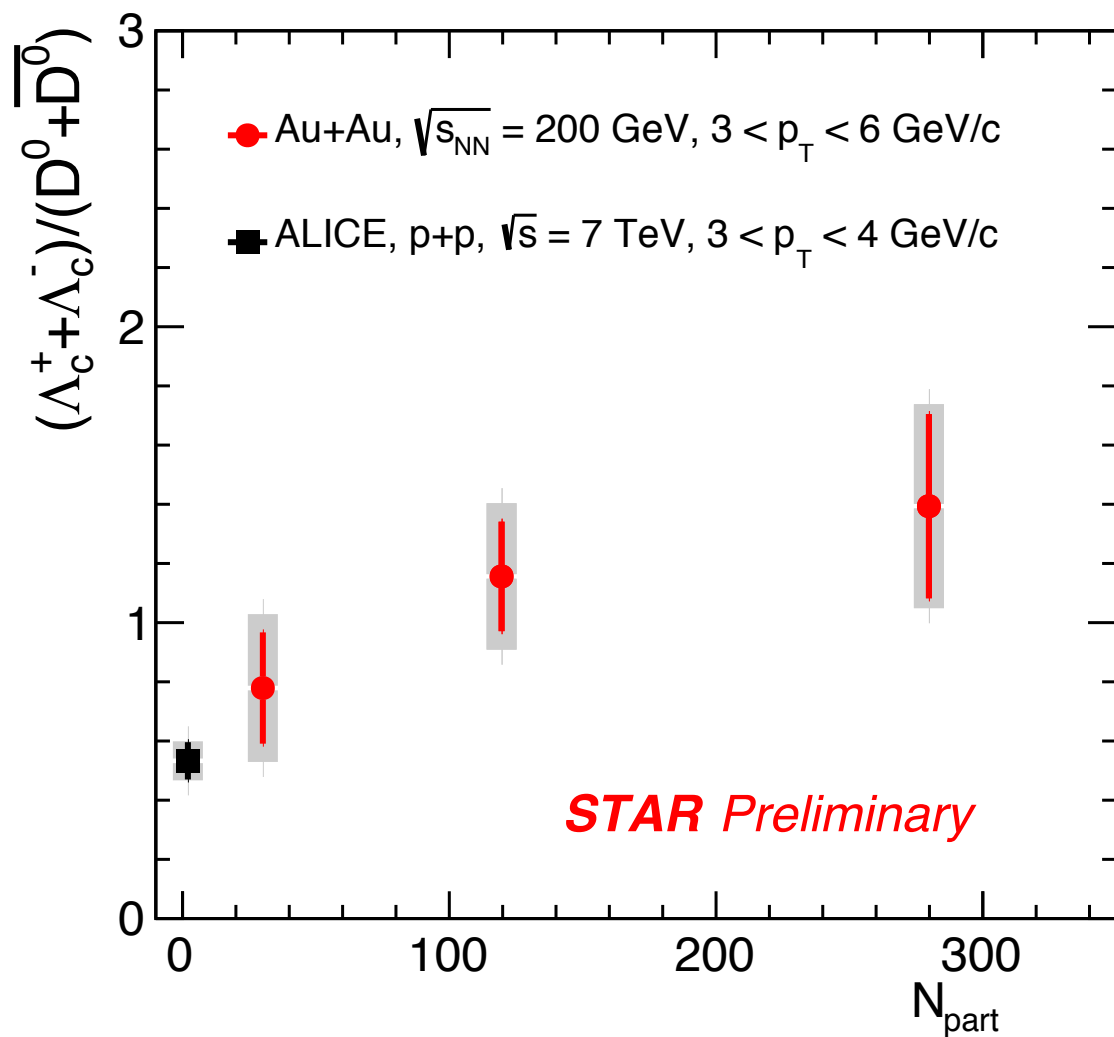
- First evidence for non-zero  $D^0 v_1$  from 2014+2016 Heavy Flavor Tracker (HFT) data:

$$D^0 + \bar{D}^0 \, dv_1/dy = -0.081 \pm 0.021(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.017(\text{syst.})$$

probe the initial tilt of the source and the initial EM field

Subhash Singha  
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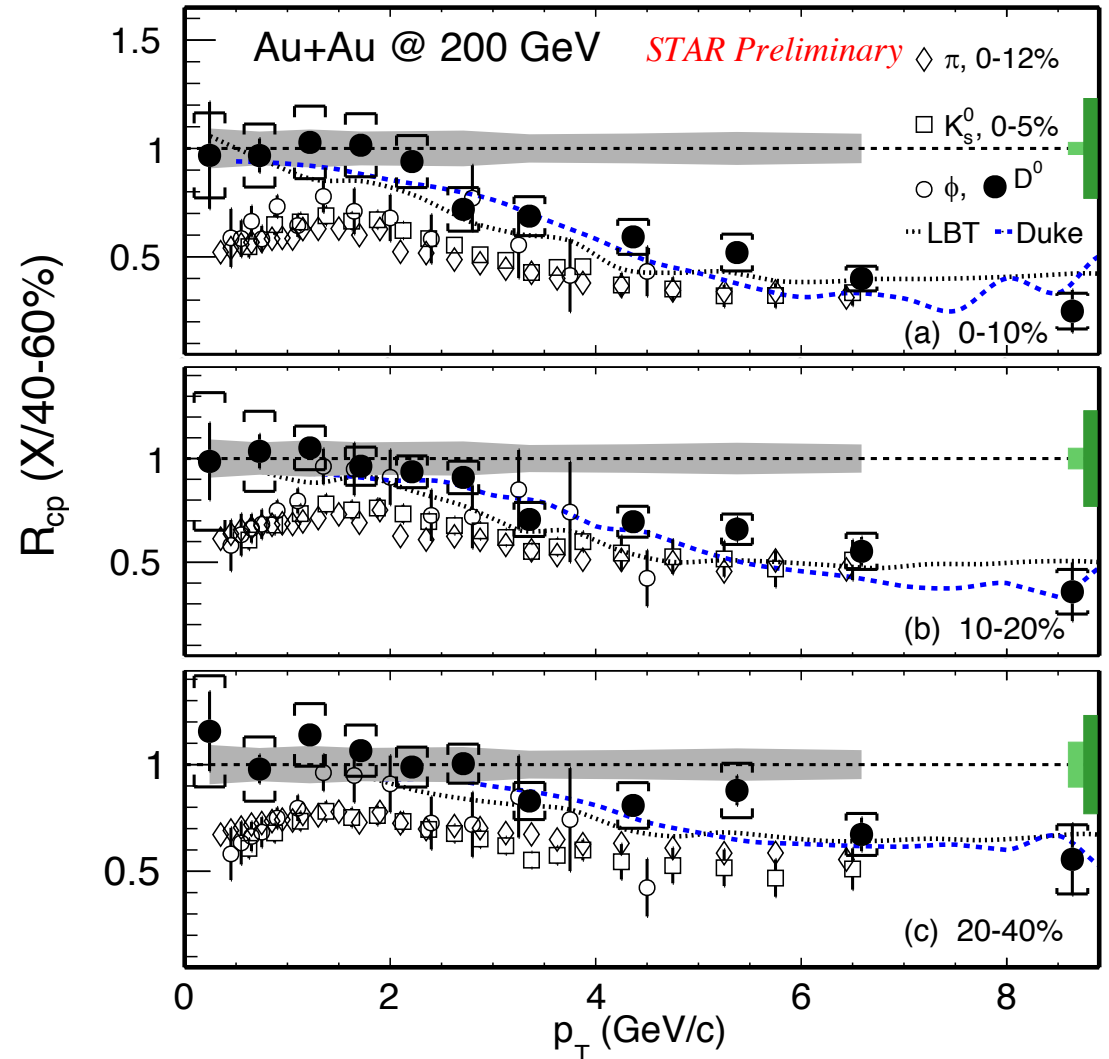
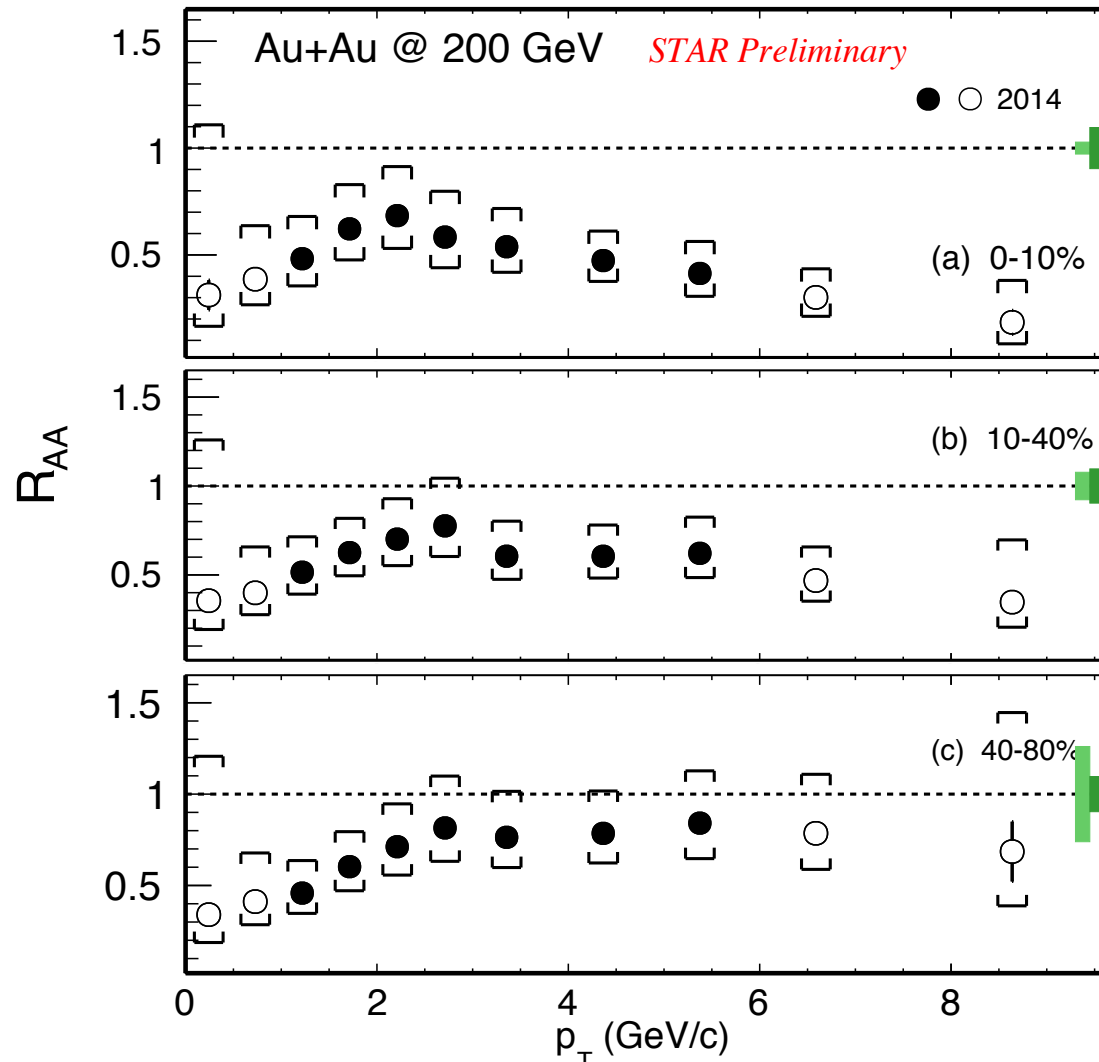
# $\Lambda_c$ Enhancement in 200 GeV Au+Au Collisions



- $\Lambda_c$  enhancement increases towards more central Au+Au collisions
- Large  $\Lambda_c$  contribution to the total charm cross-section in HI collisions

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# $D^0$ Nuclear Modification Factors in 200 GeV Au+Au Collisions

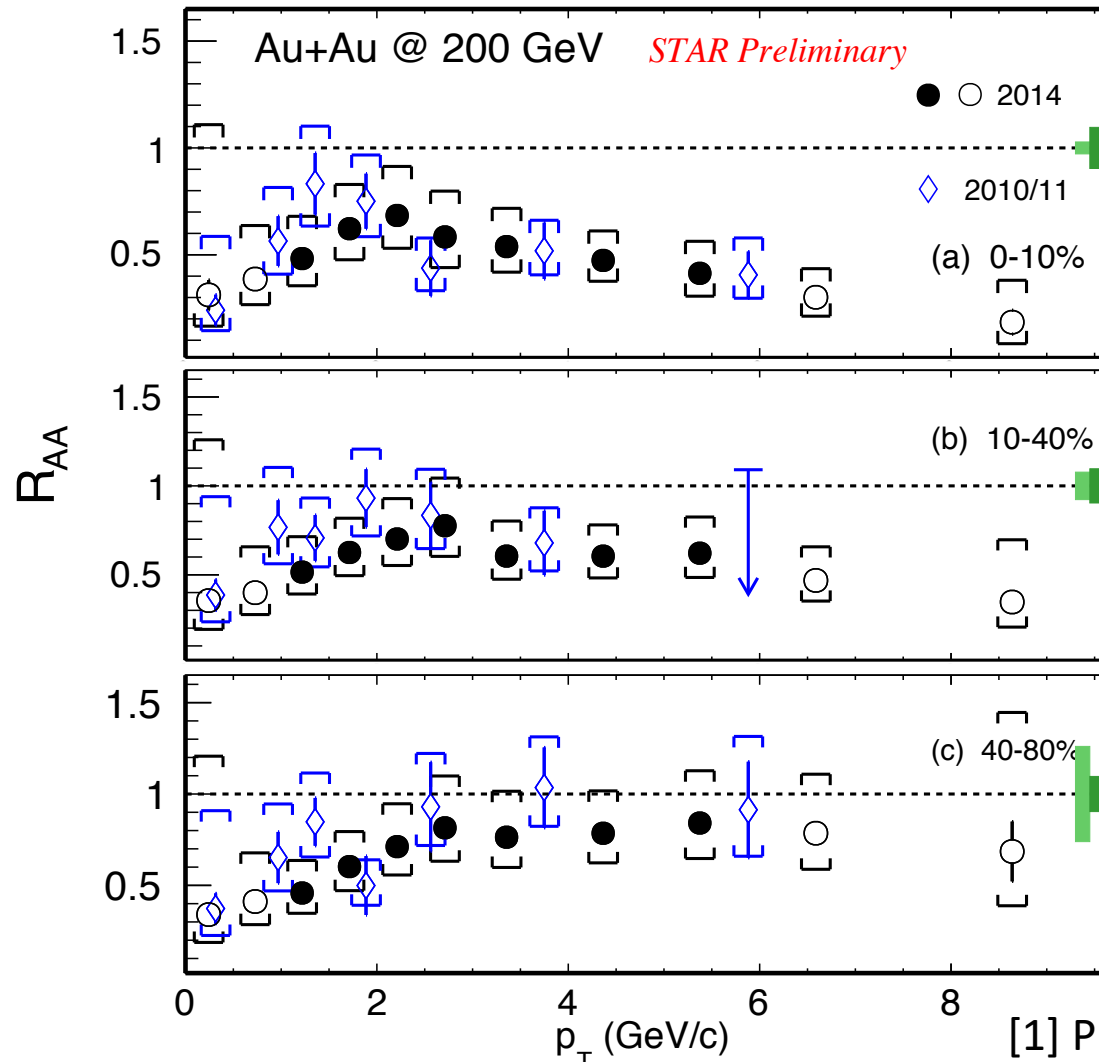


- Significant suppression at low  $p_T$  with no strong centrality dependence
- Suppression at high  $p_T$  decreases towards more peripheral collisions

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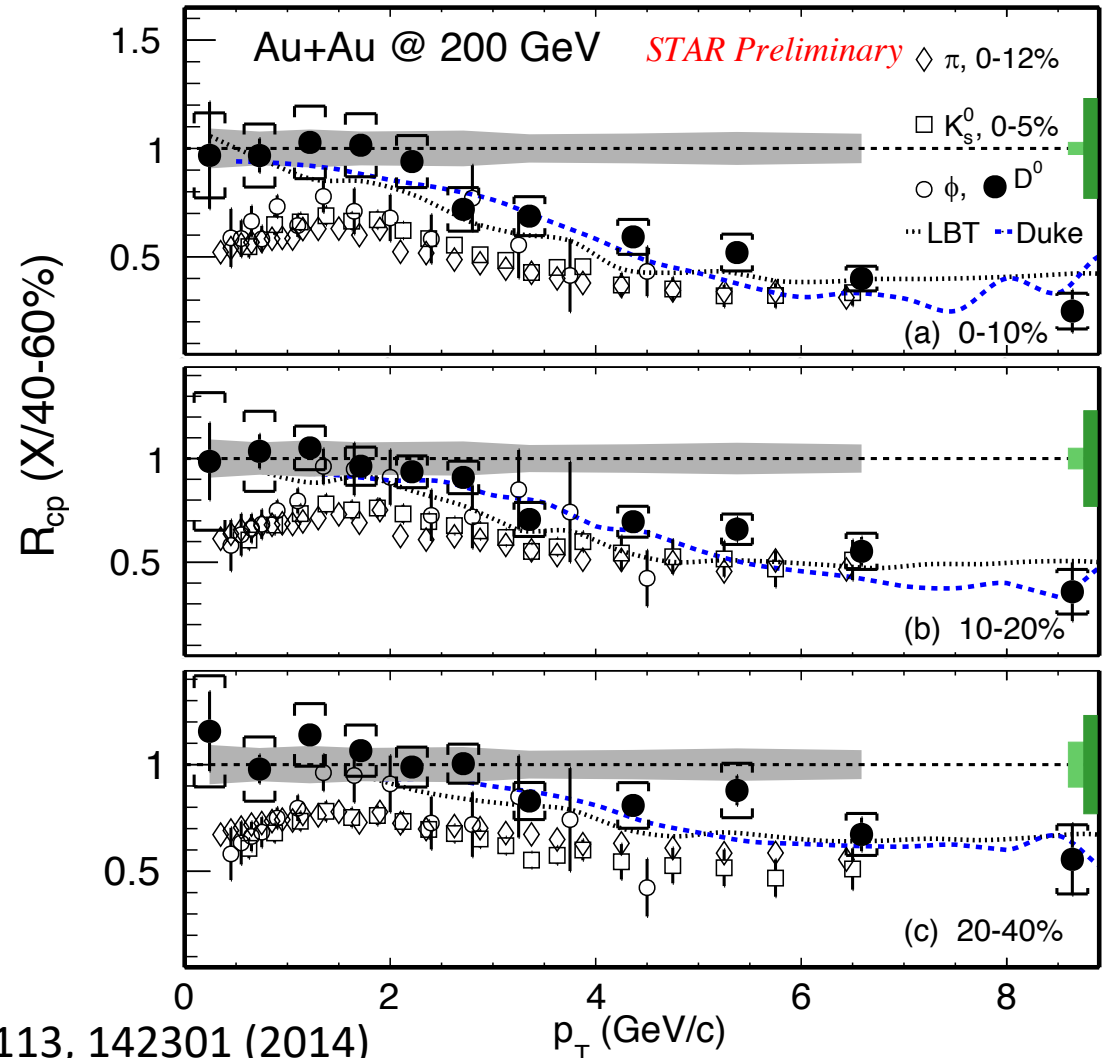


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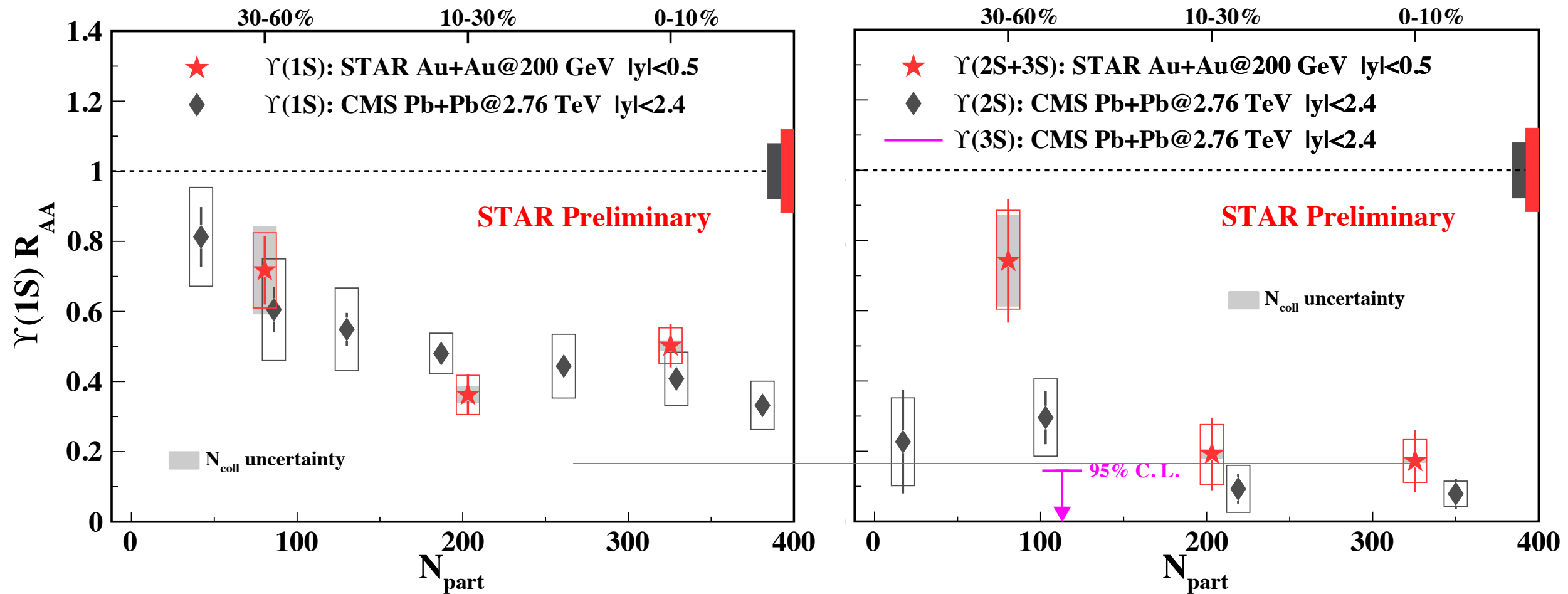


[1] PRL 113, 142301 (2014)

- Error found in previous 2010/11 analysis<sup>[1]</sup>. Corrected results consistent with 2014 (HFT) data
- Erratum for 2010/11 and a separate paper for 2014 data to be submitted soon



# Upsilon Suppression in 200 GeV Au+Au Collisions

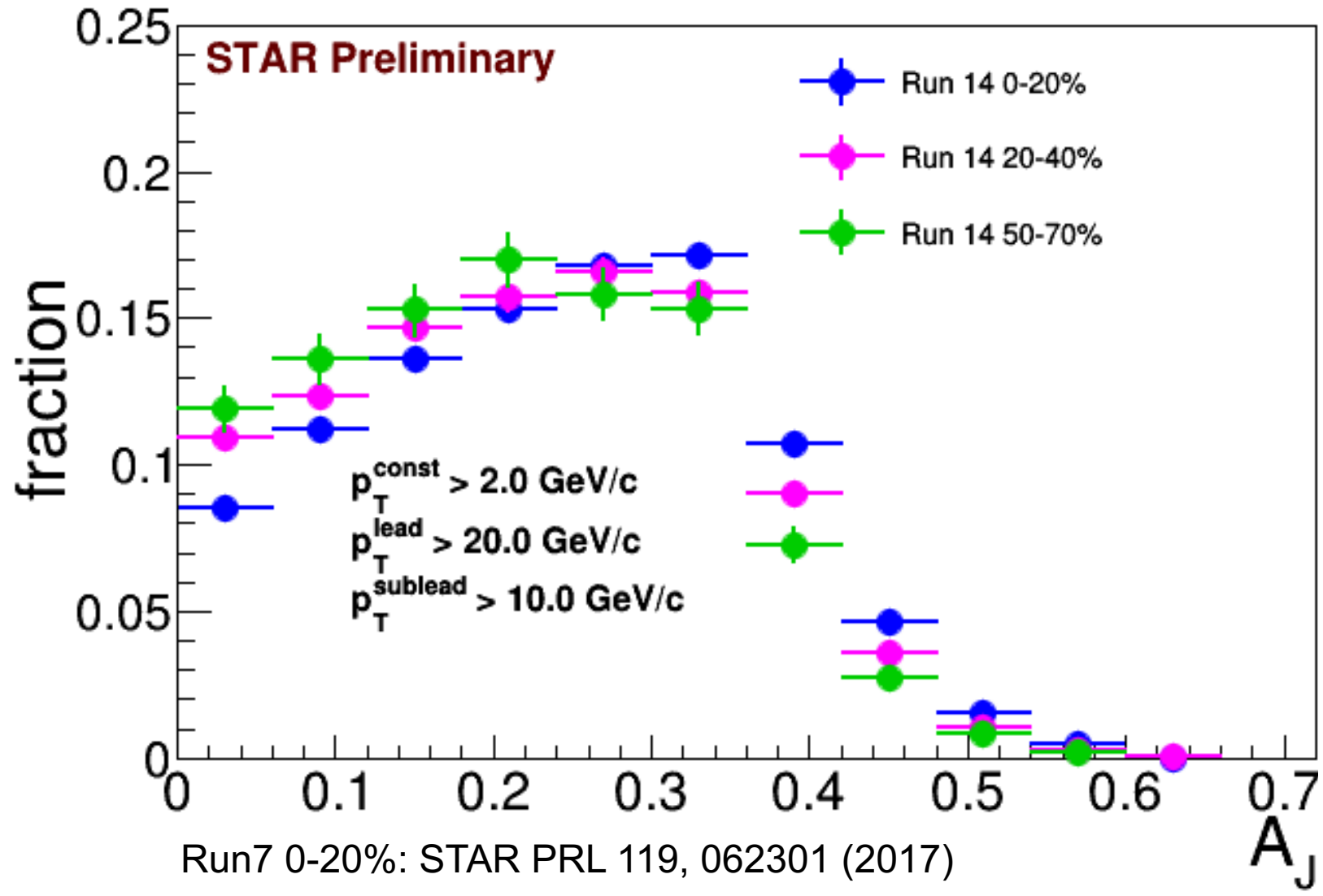


CMS PLB 04, 031 (2017)

- Improved precision by combining 2011 di-electron, 2014+2016 di-muon
- $\Upsilon(2S + 3S) R_{AA}$  smaller than  $\Upsilon(1S)$  in 0-10%, “**sequential melting**” at RHIC

Pengfei Wang  
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# Di-Jet Imbalance in 200 GeV Au+Au Collisions



- First measurement of centrality dependence of  $A_J$  at RHIC
- Smaller di-jet imbalance in more peripheral collisions

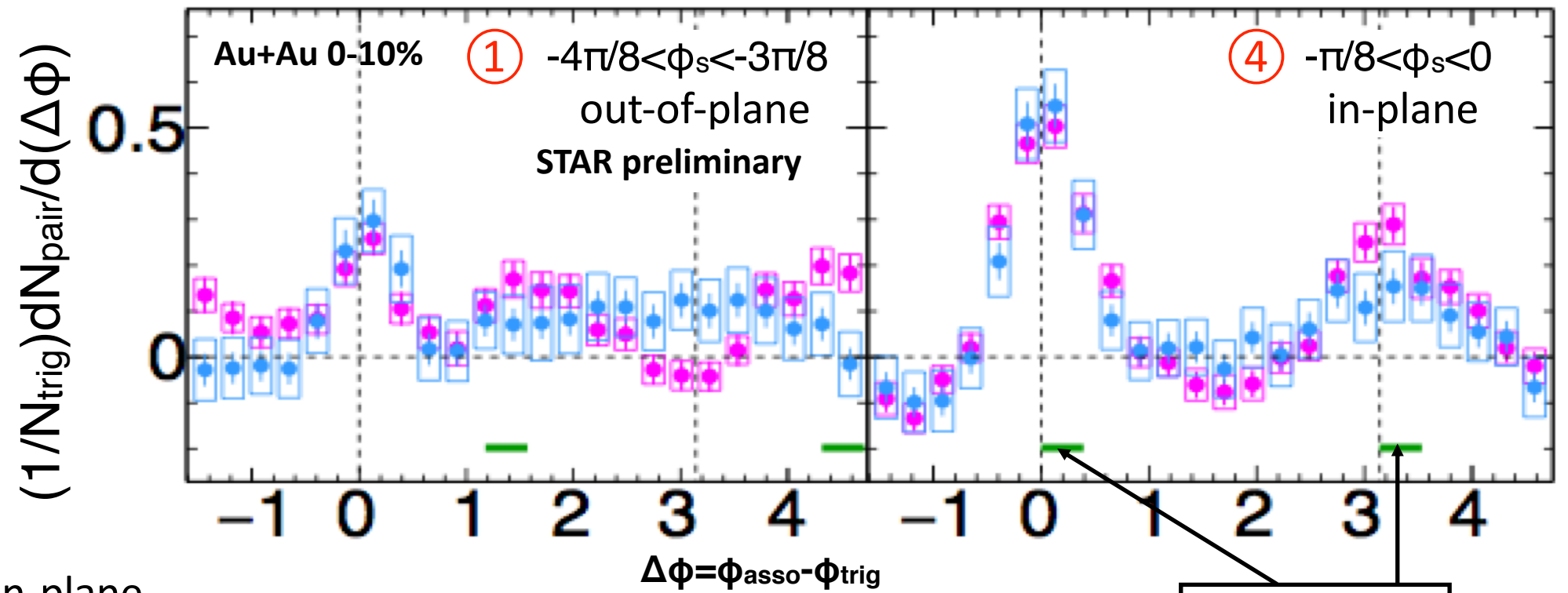
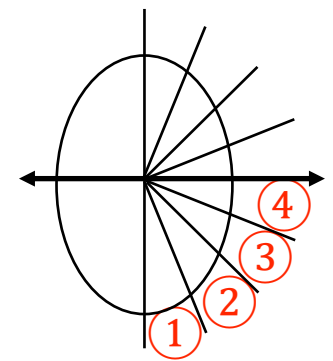
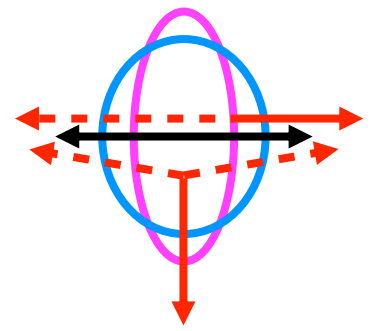
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# Di-hadron Correlations in 200 GeV Au+Au Collisions

$p_T^t = 4-10 \text{ GeV}/c, p_T^a = 1-2 \text{ GeV}/c$

## Event Shape Engineering

- $q_2$  top 20%
- $q_2$  bottom 20%



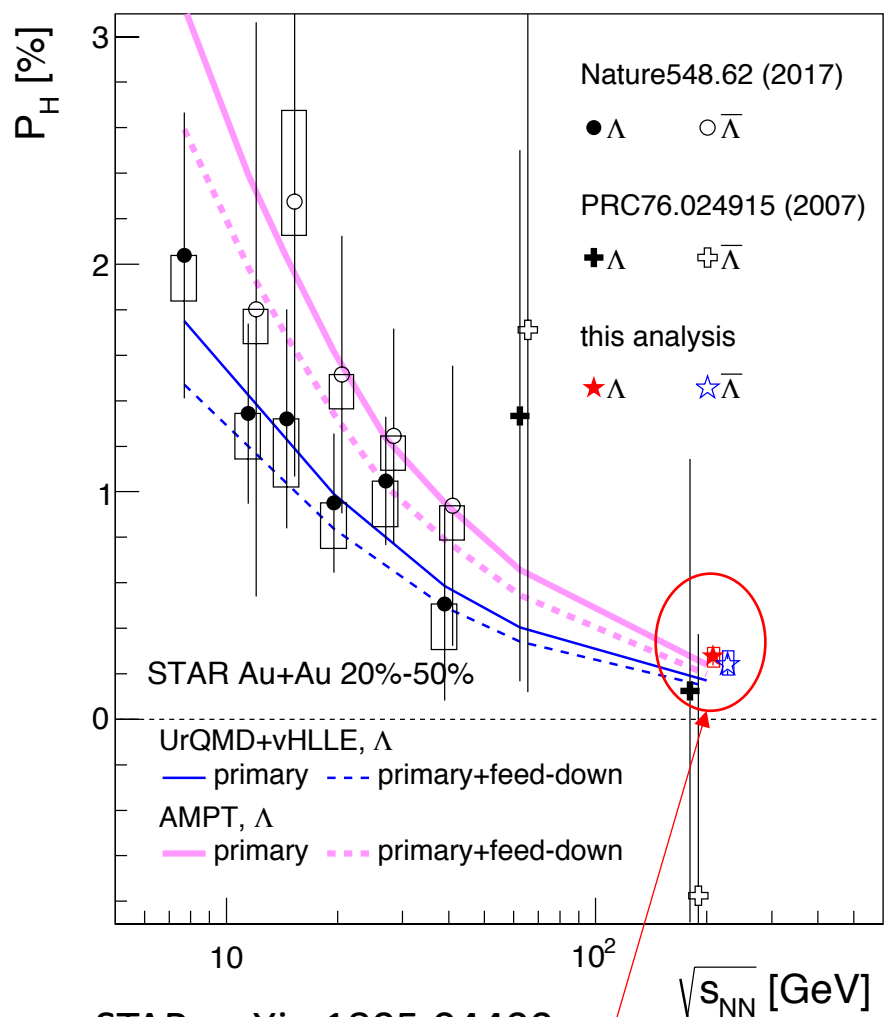
EP direction

- Di-hadron correlations depend on the angle of trigger particle w.r.t. event plane, and on  $q_2$  : path-length dependence of jet-medium interaction

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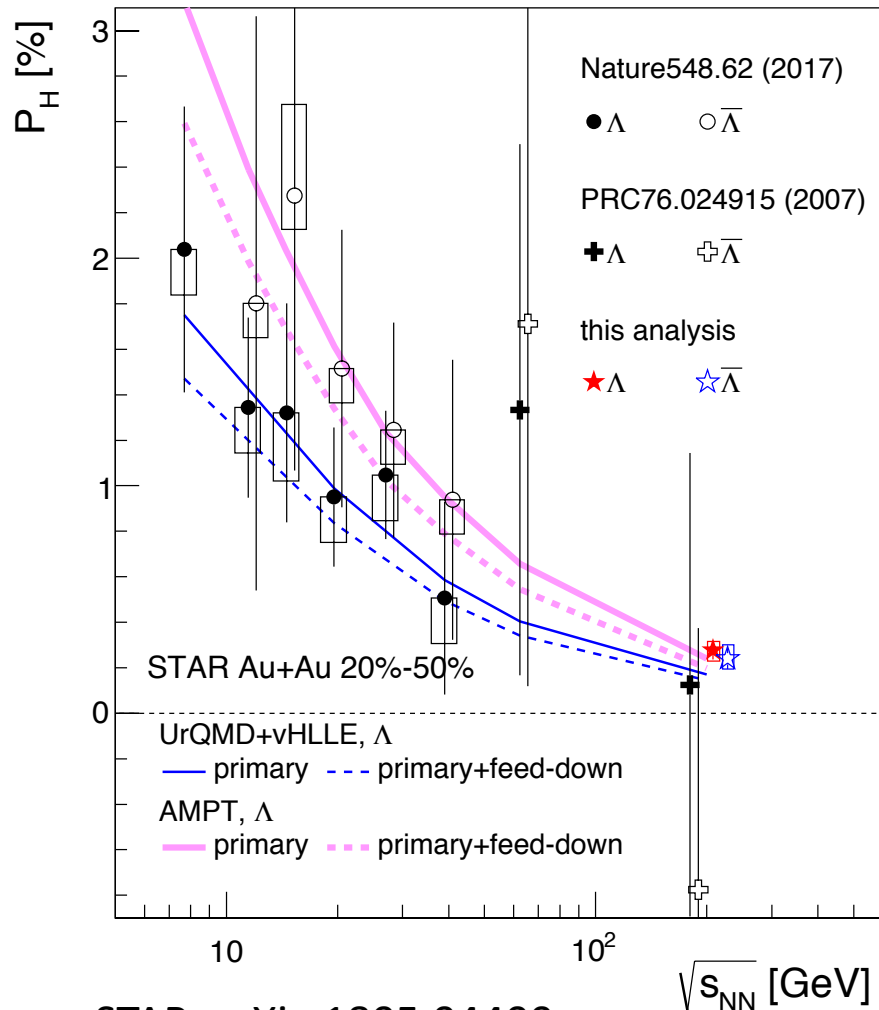


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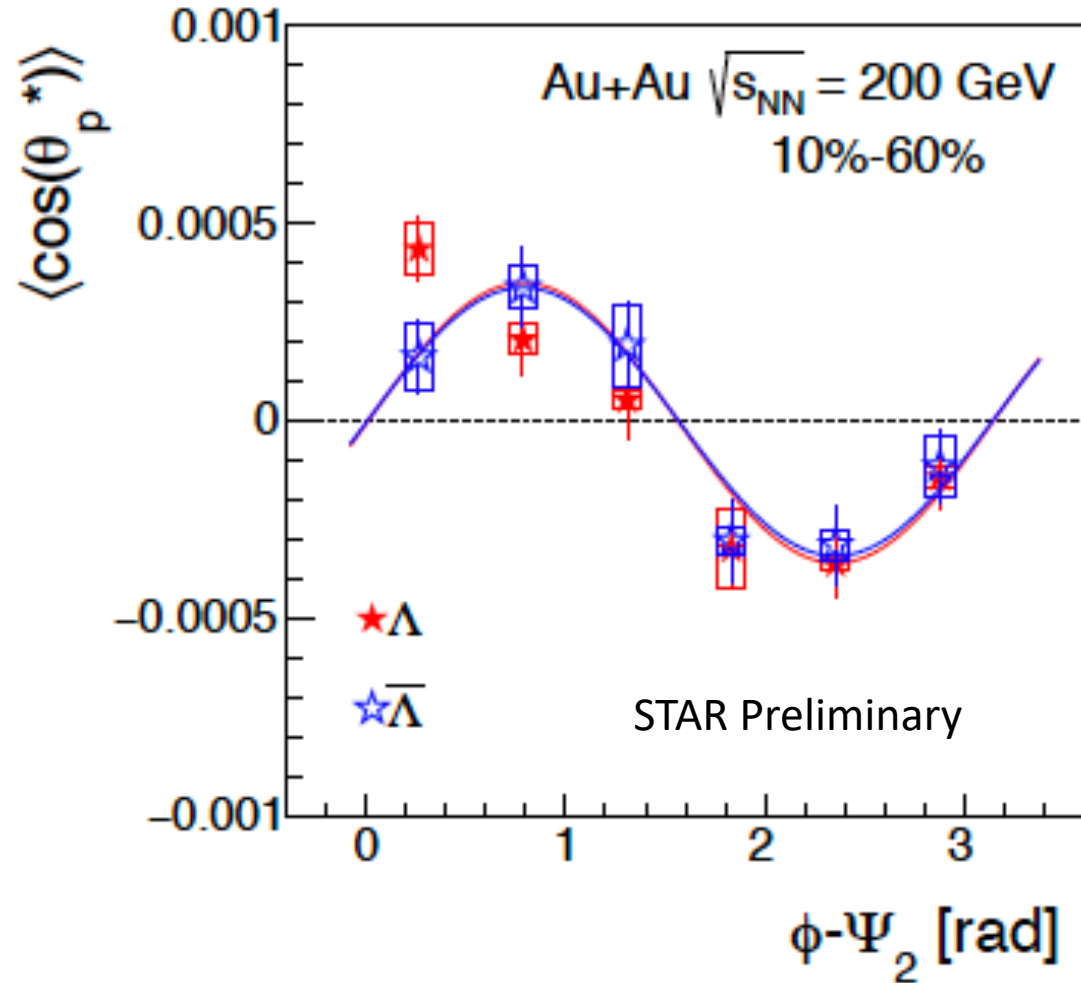
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Takafumi Niida  
#584, May 15, 9:00

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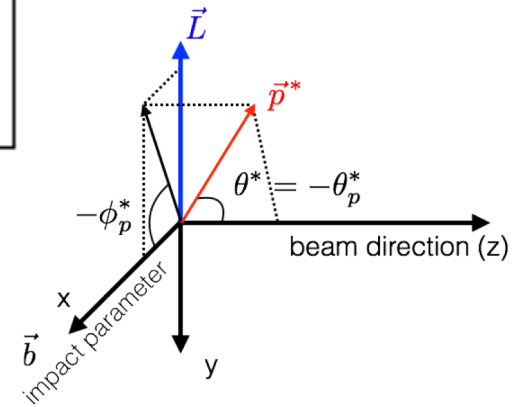
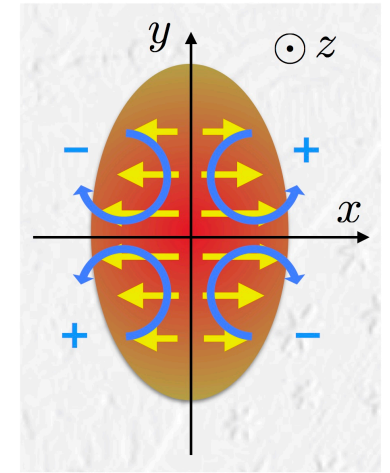


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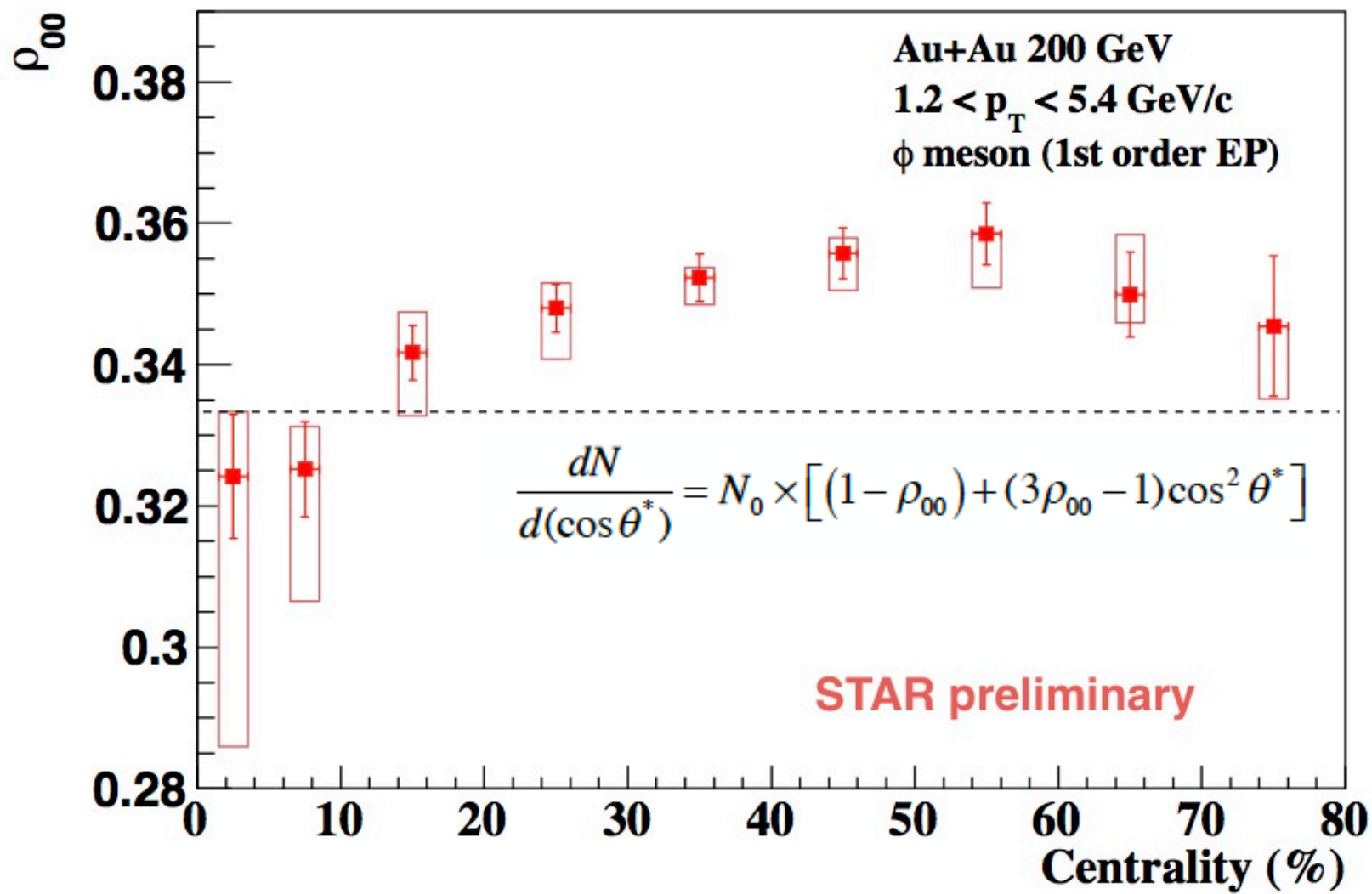
S. Voloshin, sQM2017

F. Becattini and I. Karpenko, PRL120, 012302 (2018)



- First observation of  $\Lambda$  **global** polarization at 200 GeV
- First observation of quadrupole structure of  $\Lambda$  **local** polarization along beam direction

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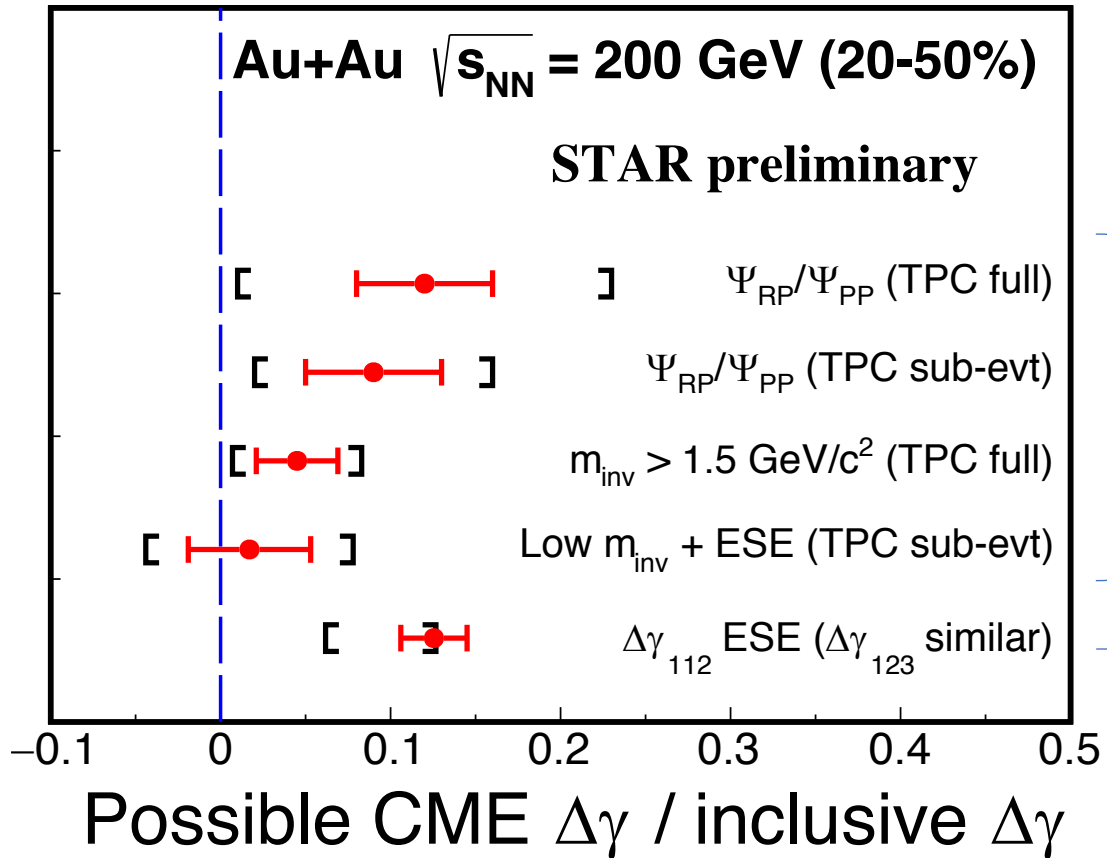


- $\phi$ -meson  $\rho_{00}$  deviates from 1/3 in non-central collisions, probe vorticity induced by initial angular momentum and particle production

Chensheng Zhou  
#731, May 16, 18:10



# Chiral Magnetic Effect at RHIC Top Energy



H.-J. Xu et al. arXiv:1710.07265

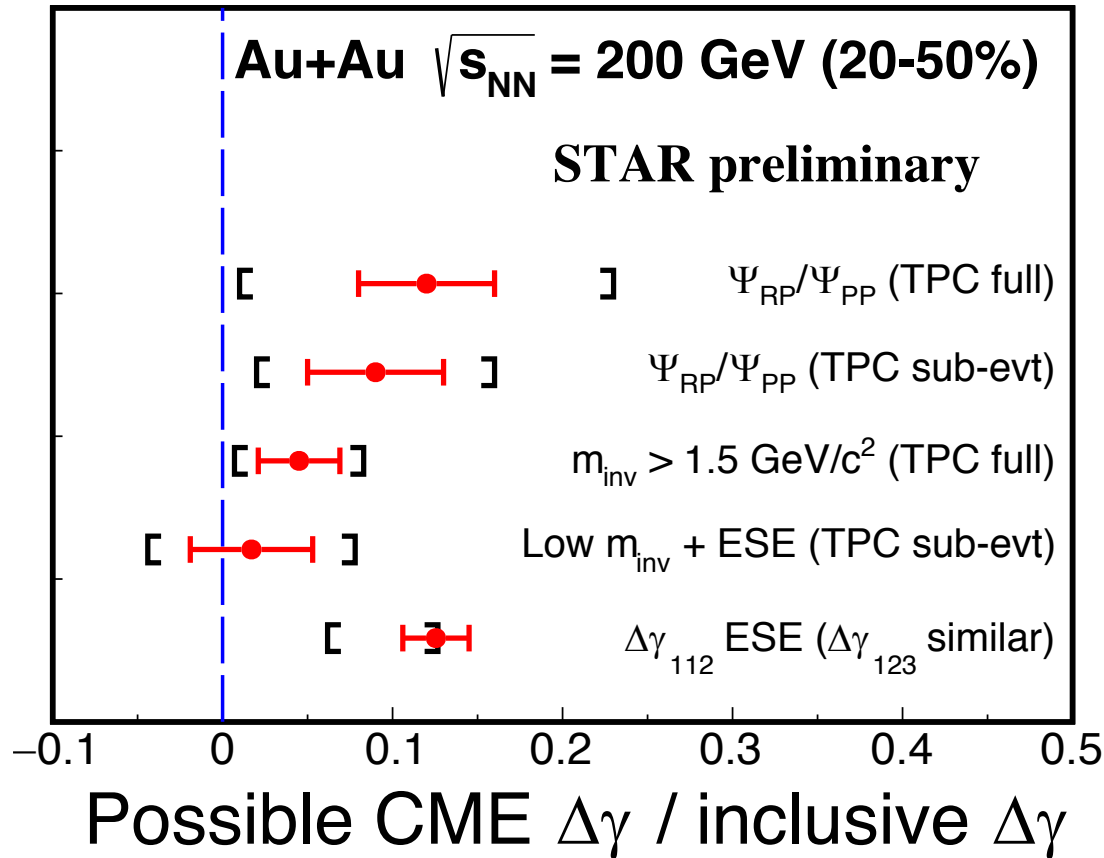
J. Zhao et al. arXiv:1705.05410

- Isolate possible CME signal in inclusive  $\Delta\gamma$  by different methods

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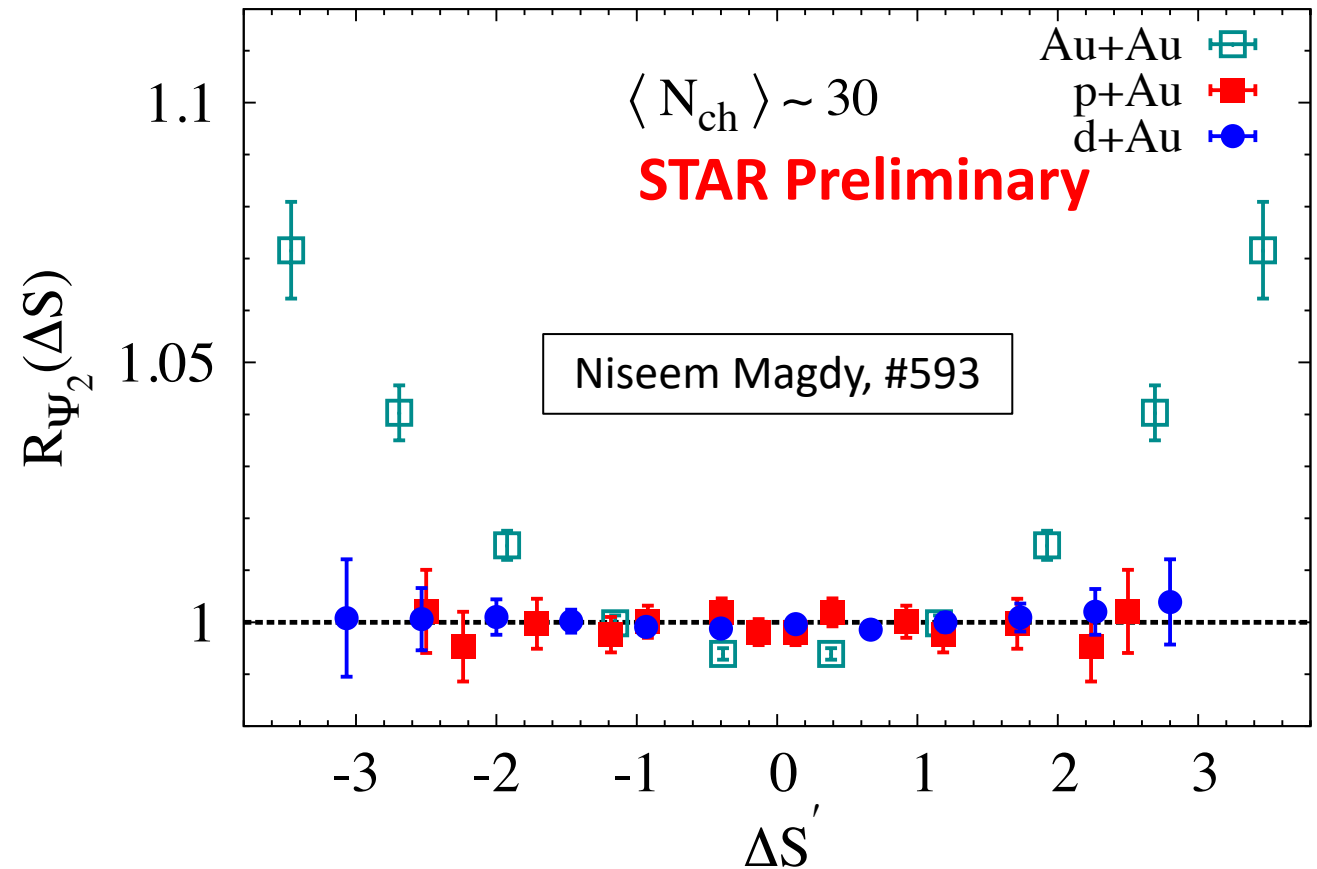
Gang Wang, 2018 Workshop on Chirality, Vorticity and Magnetic Field in Heavy Ion Collisions

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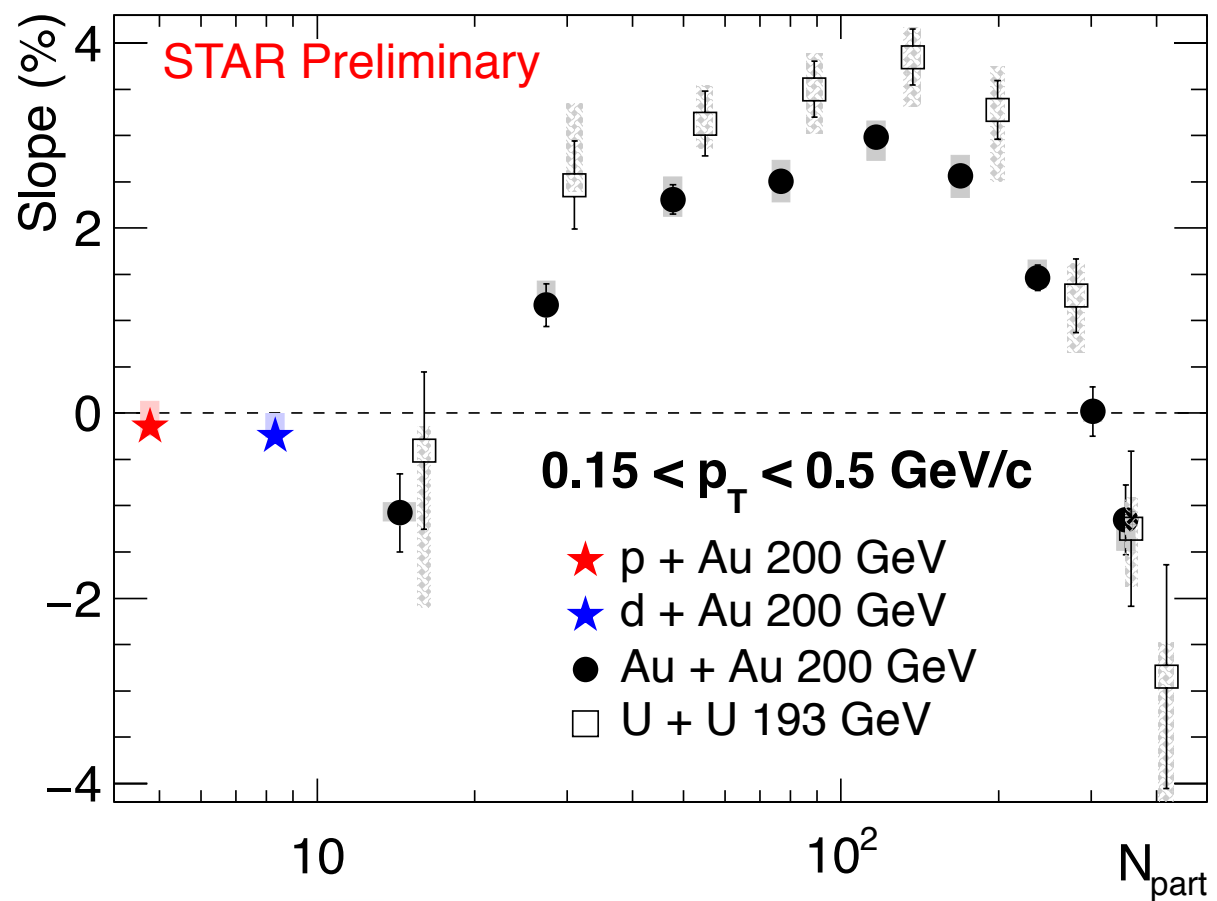
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N. Magdy, et al., arXiv:1710.01717

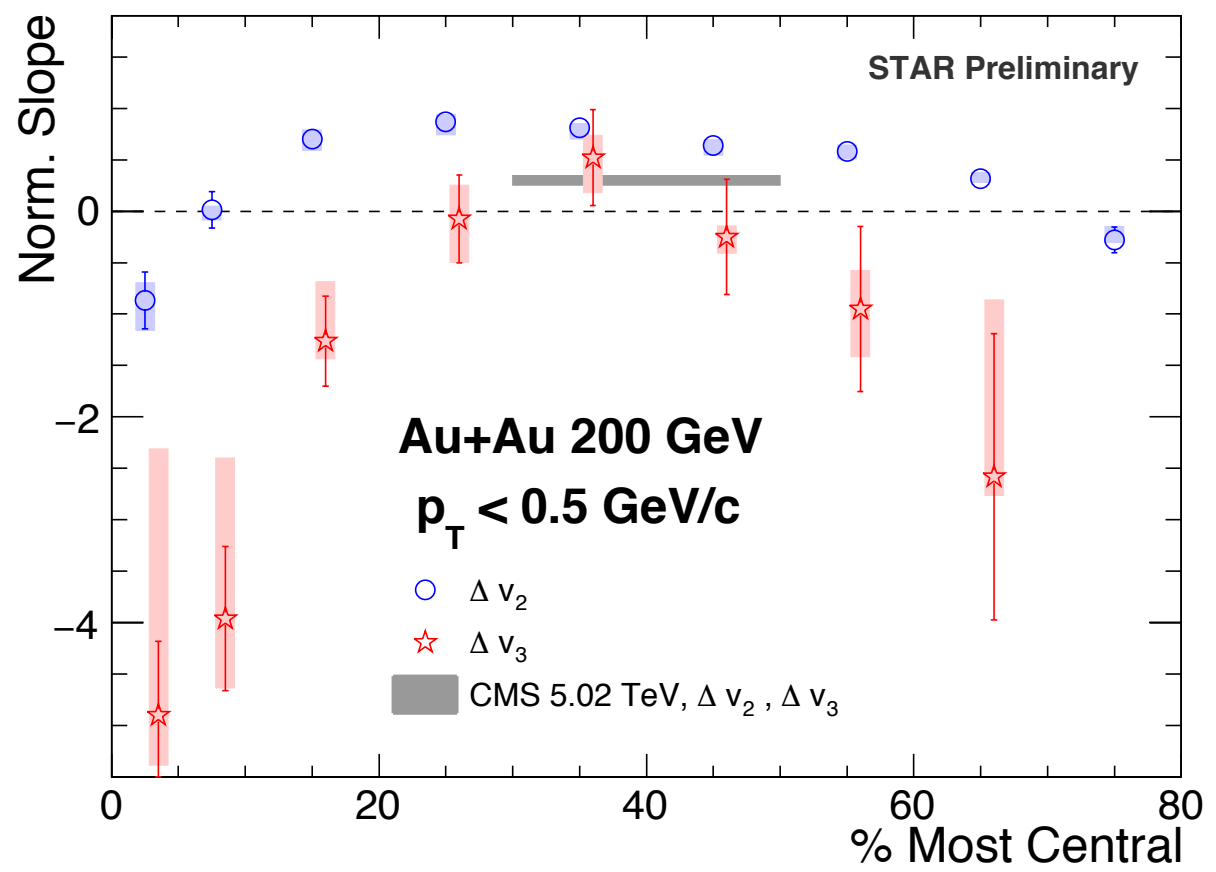
- Isolate possible CME signal in inclusive  $\Delta\gamma$  by different methods
- New observable  $R_{\Psi_2}(\Delta S)$  shows difference between p(d)+Au and peripheral Au+Au collisions
- Dedicated isobar run this year completed, blind analyses for CME studies being conducted

# Chiral Magnetic Wave at RHIC Top Energy



$$A_{\text{ch}} \equiv (\bar{N}_+ - \bar{N}_-) / (\bar{N}_+ + \bar{N}_-)$$

$$\Delta v_2 = v_2^- - v_2^+ \approx r A_{\text{ch}}$$

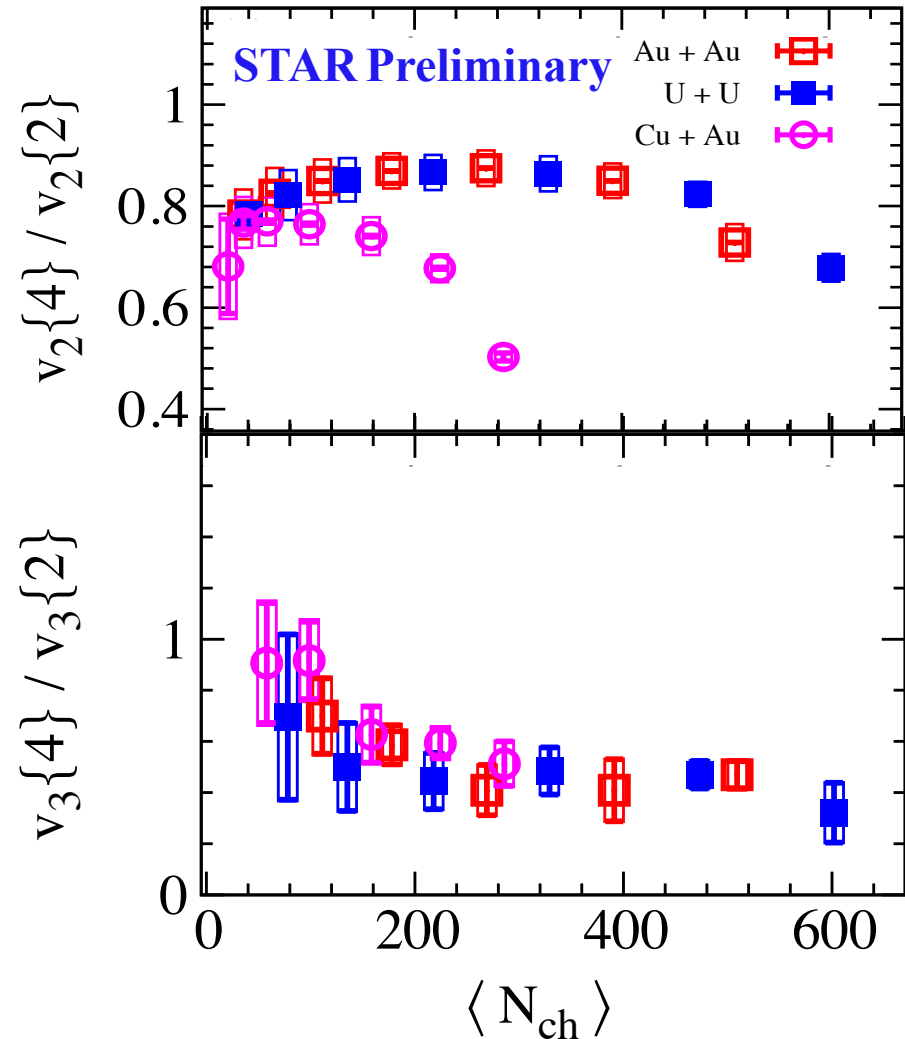


$$\text{Norm. } \Delta v_n = 2 \frac{v_n^- - v_n^+}{v_n^- + v_n^+}$$

- Differences in slope (r) among p/d+Au, Au+Au and U+U consistent with CMW expectation
- Difference between normalized  $\Delta v_2$  and  $\Delta v_3$  in most central and peripheral collisions

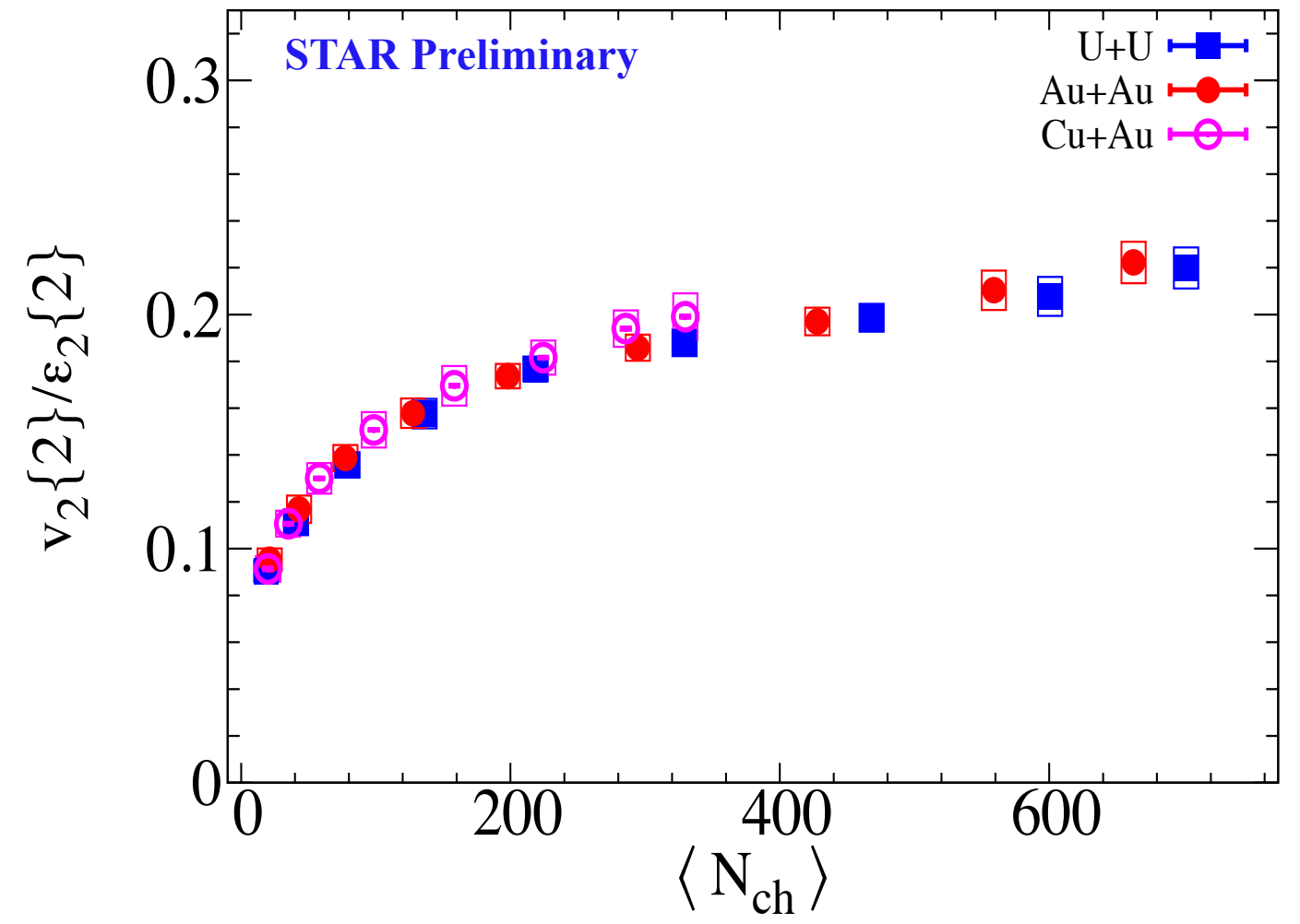
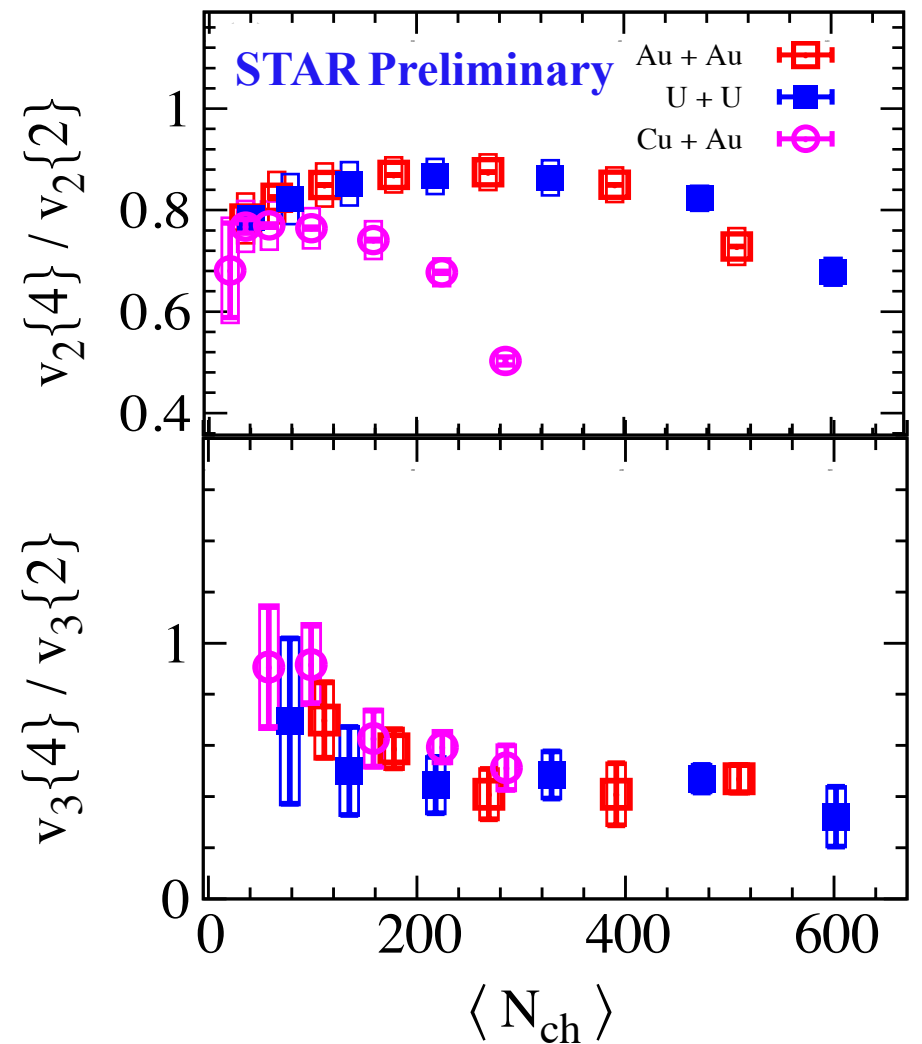
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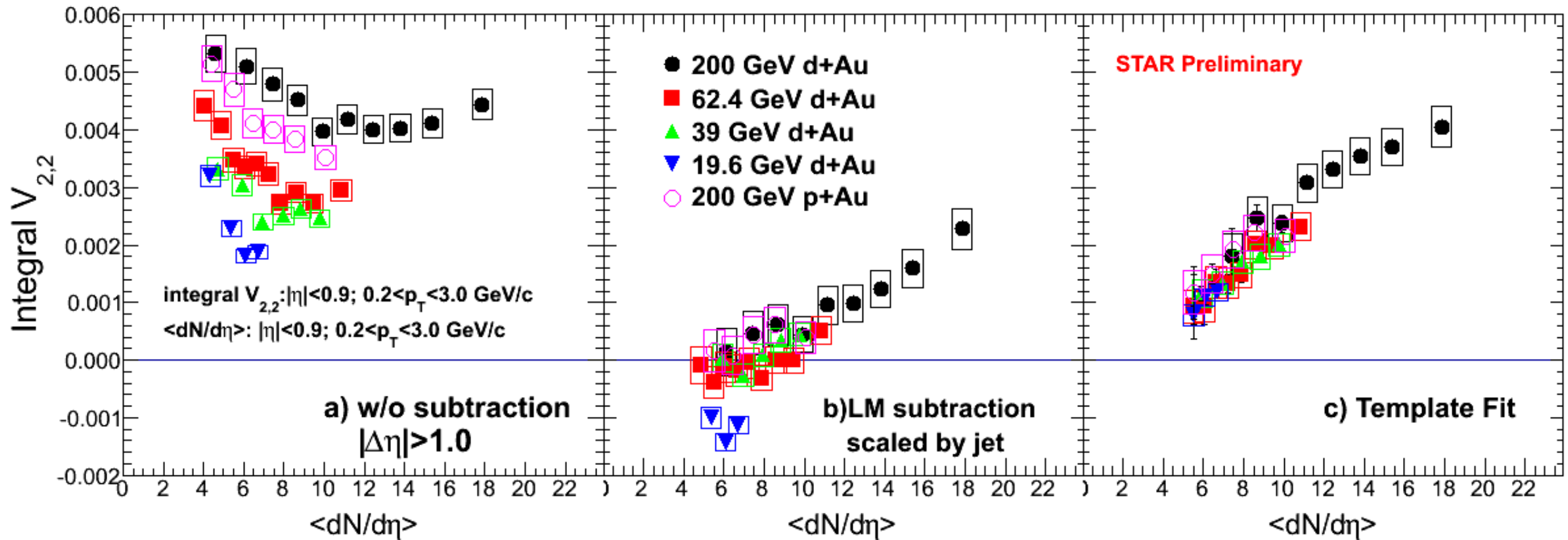
# Flow and Fluctuations in Multiple Systems



- Ratio of  $v_n\{4\}/v_n\{2\}$  is sensitive to flow fluctuations. The ratio for elliptic flow depends on collision system while that for triangular flow is independent
- $v_2\{2\}$  scales with  $\epsilon_2\{2\}$  - similar viscous effect in these collisions

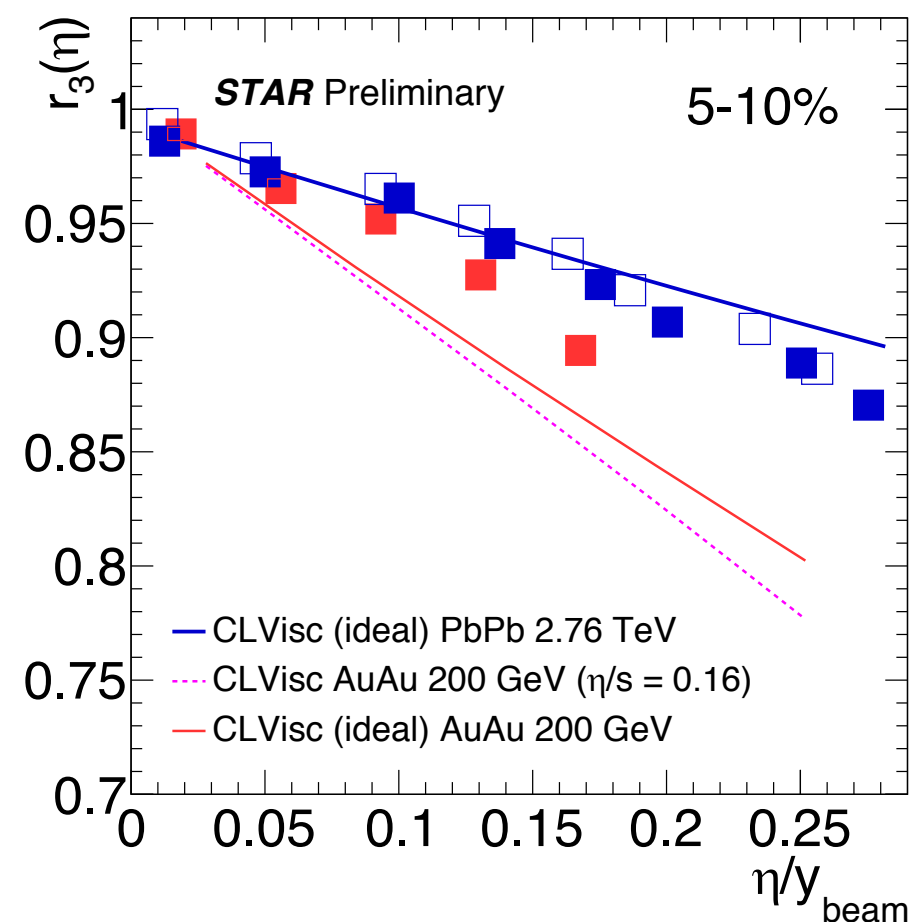
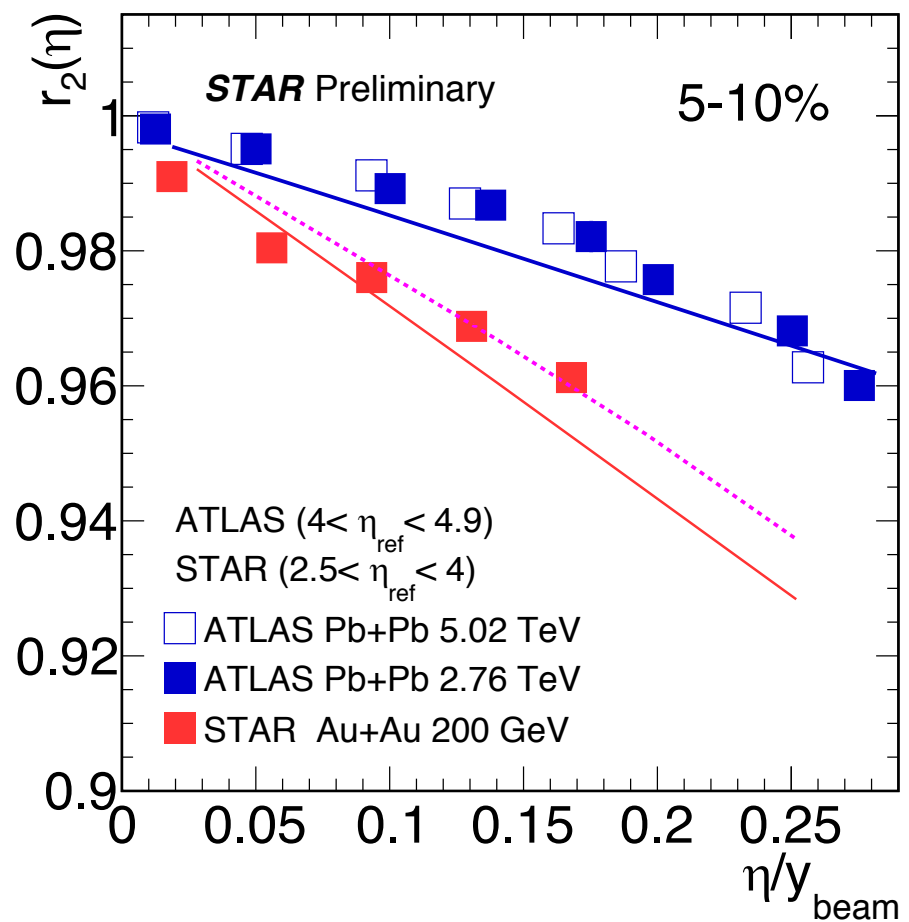
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# Collectivity in Small Systems



- Different  $V_{2,2}$  from different methods to correct for non-flow background in p/d+Au collisions. Be careful about the assumptions of the methods.

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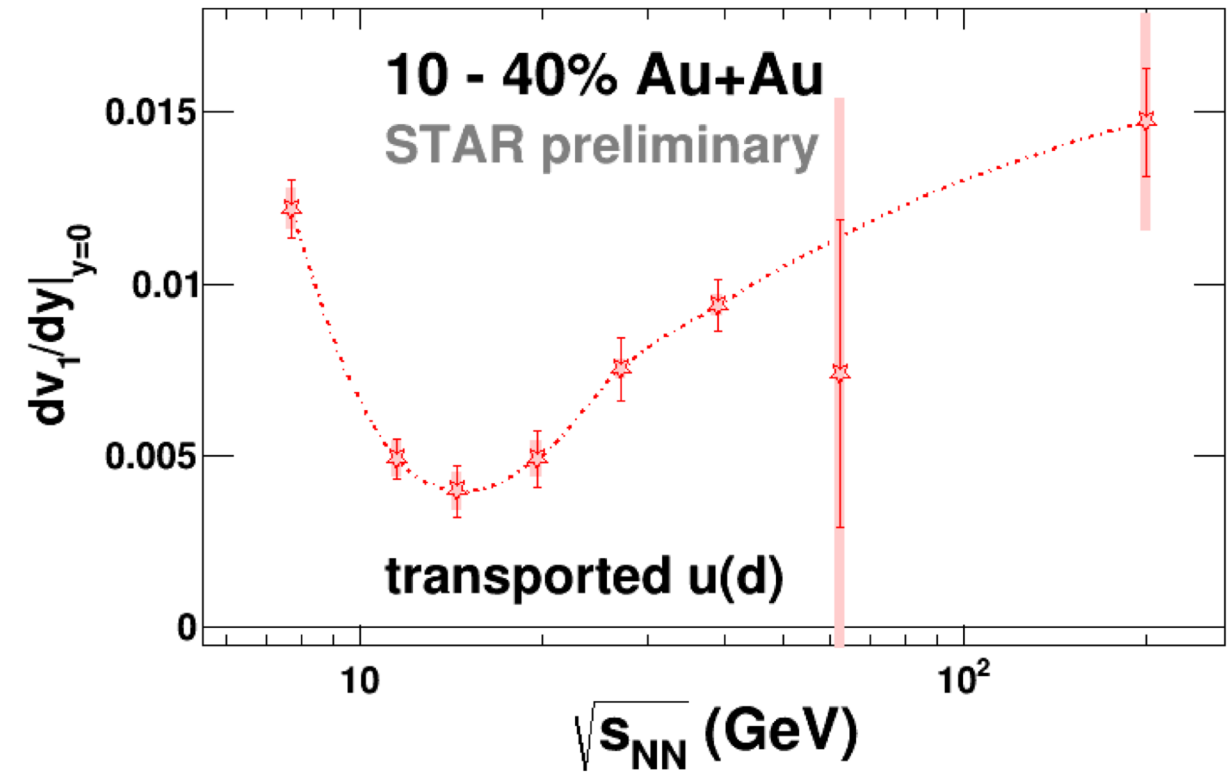
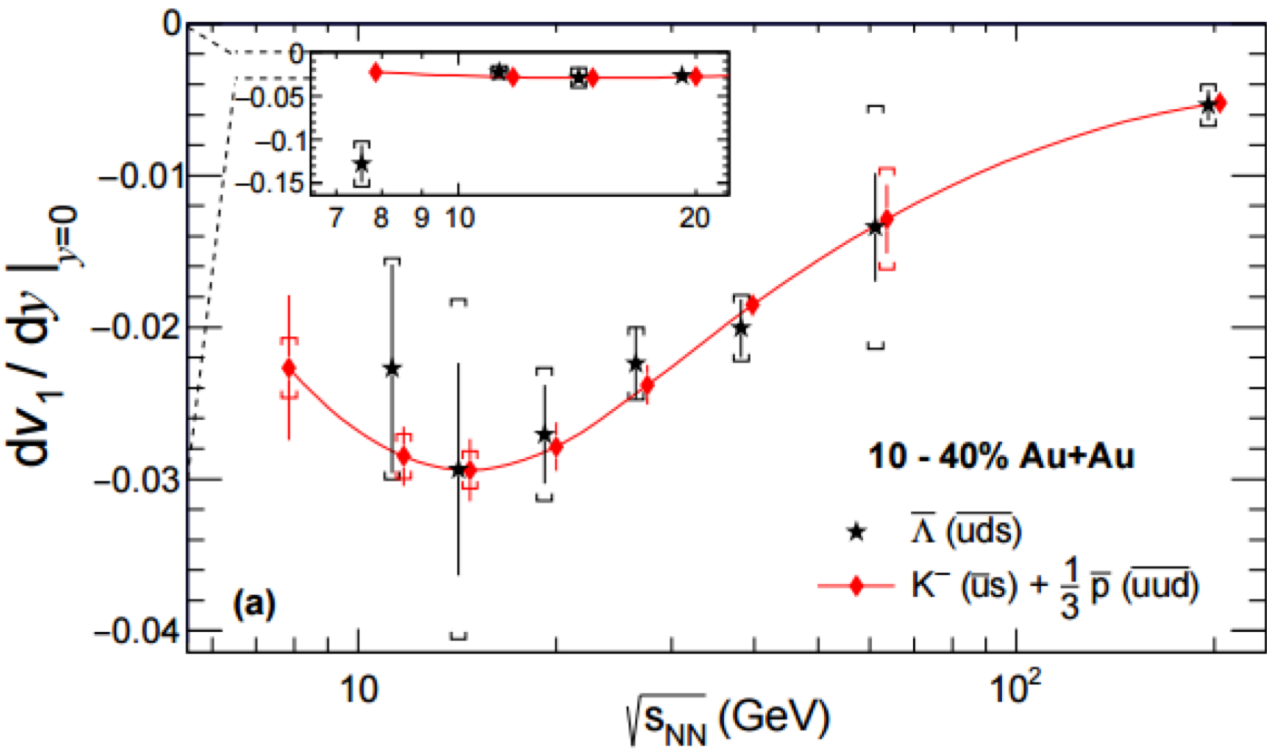
$$r_n(\eta) = \frac{\langle v_n(-\eta)v_n(\eta_{\text{ref}}) \cos n(\Psi_n(-\eta) - \Psi_n(\eta_{\text{ref}})) \rangle}{\langle v_n(\eta)v_n(\eta_{\text{ref}}) \cos n(\Psi_n(\eta) - \Psi_n(\eta_{\text{ref}})) \rangle}$$

- Stronger longitudinal flow decorrelation at RHIC than at LHC
- Hydro calculations can not simultaneously describe LHC and RHIC data

Maowu Nie  
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# Directed Flow of Identified Particles in Beam Energy Scan



STAR, Phys. Rev. Lett. **120** (2018) 62301

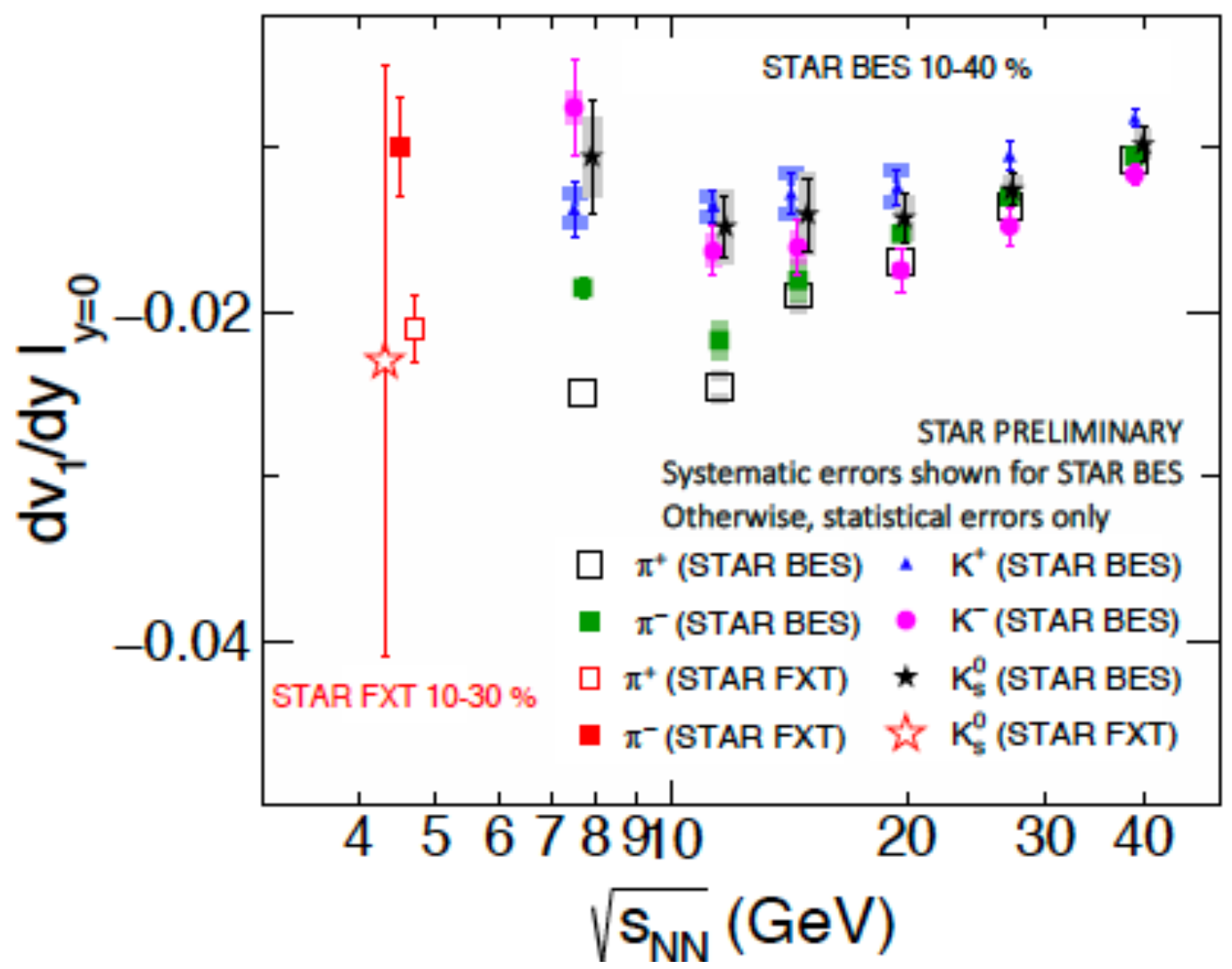
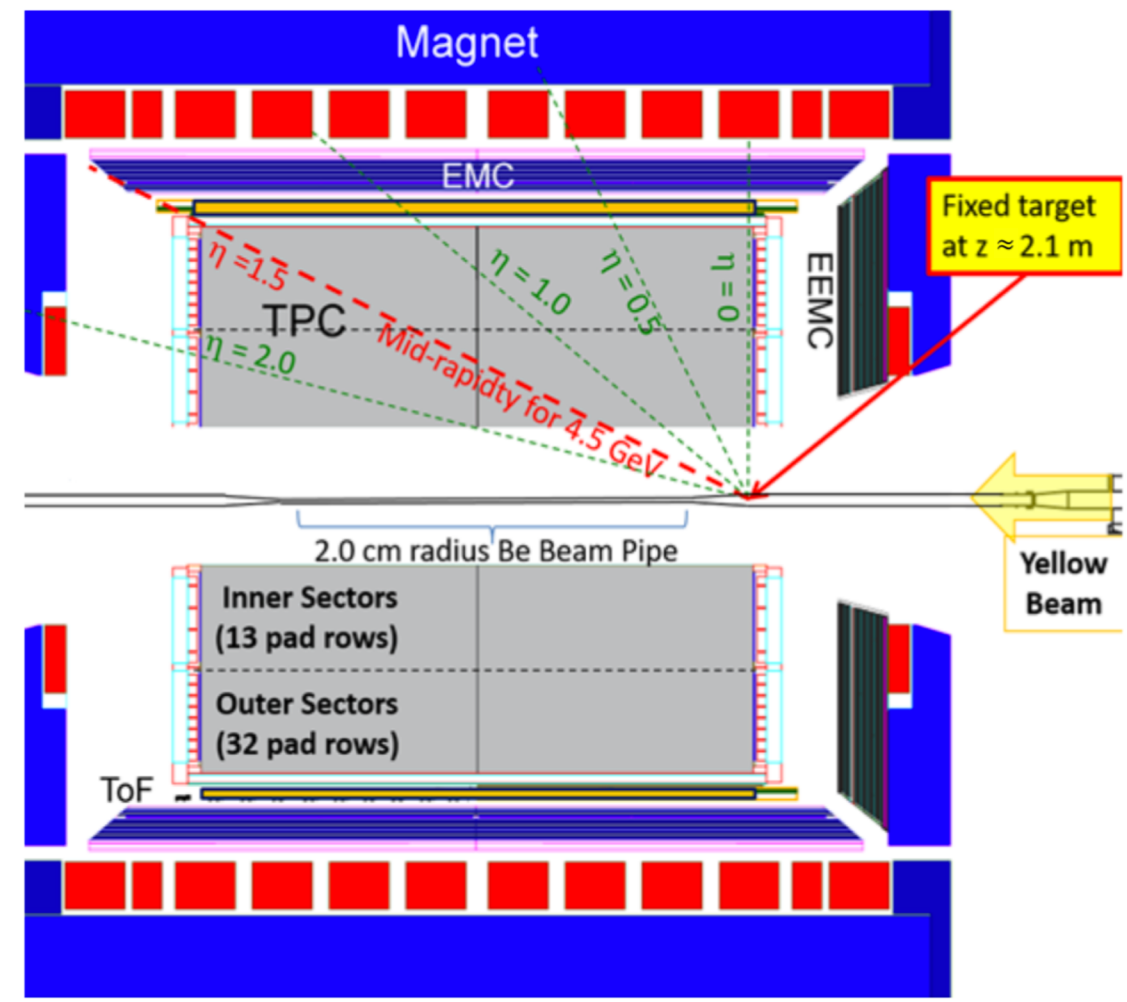
$$(v_1)_{trans.u(d)} = [(v_1)_{net p} - (3 - N_{trans.u(d)})(v_1)_{\bar{u}(\bar{d})}] / N_{trans.u(d)}$$

$$N_{trans.u(d)} = 3[1 - \exp(-2\mu_{u(d)}/T_{ch})] / (1 - r_{\bar{p}/p})$$

- 10 species & 8 energies allow a detailed study of constituent-quark  $v_1$ . In most cases, the coalescence picture works for both “**produced**” particles and “**net**” particles
- “**Transported quark**”  $v_1$  has a local minimum at  $\sim 14.5$  GeV

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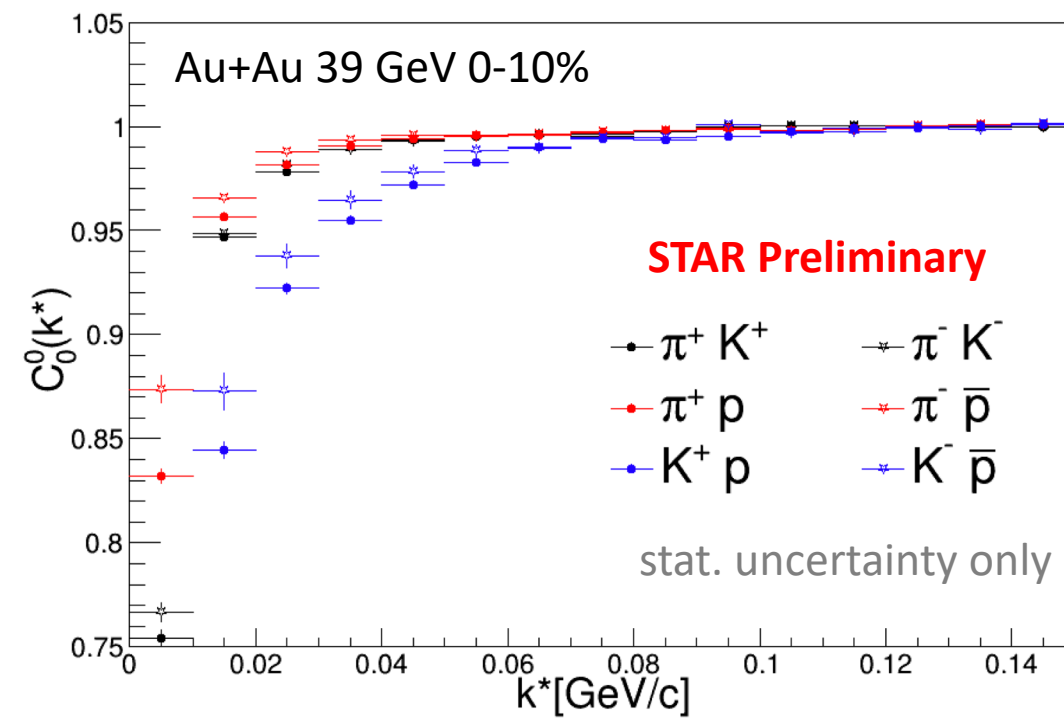
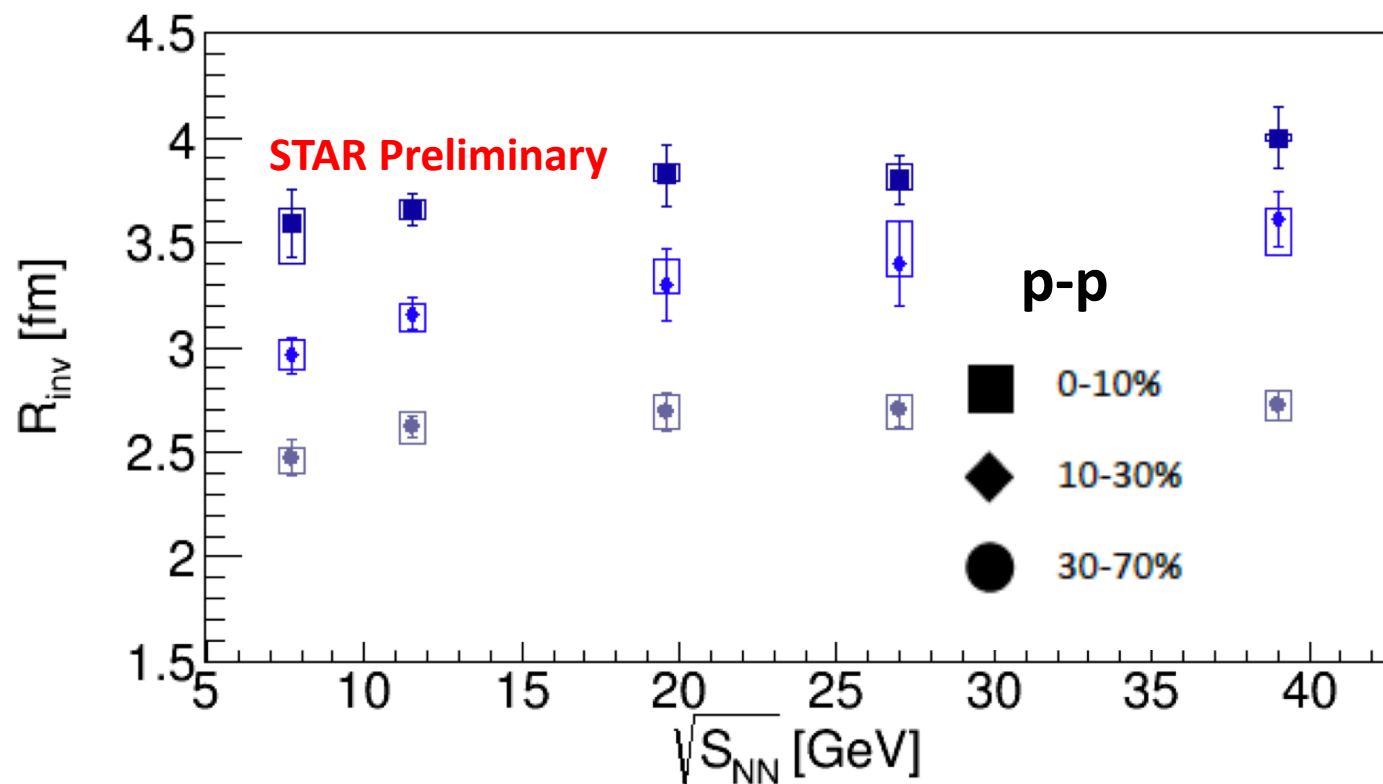
# Fixed-Target Test Run for Au+Au at $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=4.5$ GeV



- First  $\pi$   $v_1$  measurement in this energy range,  $v_1$  slope turning up towards lower energies
- Dedicated FXT runs (3.0-7.7 GeV) in 2019+ to explore high baryon density regime.

Yang Wu  
#558, May 15, 16:00

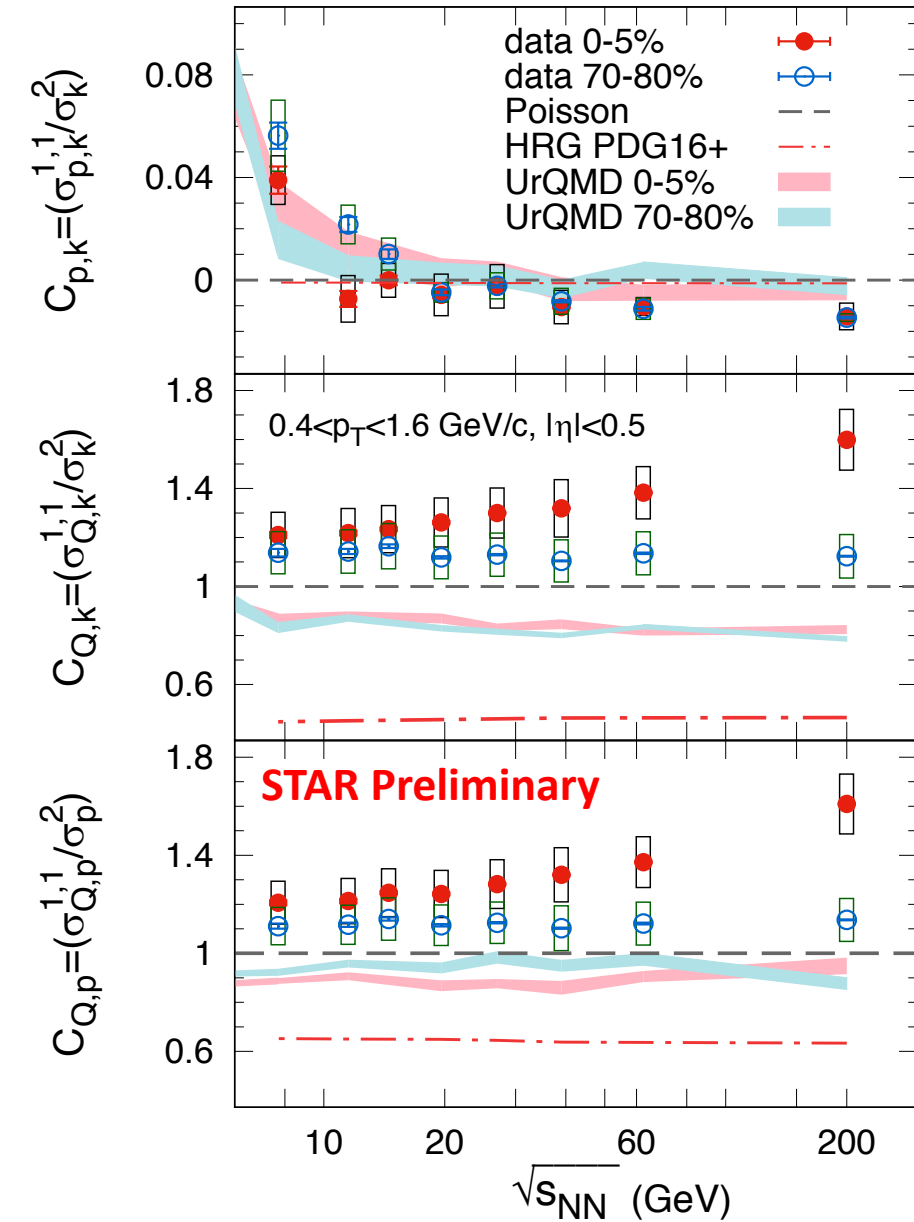
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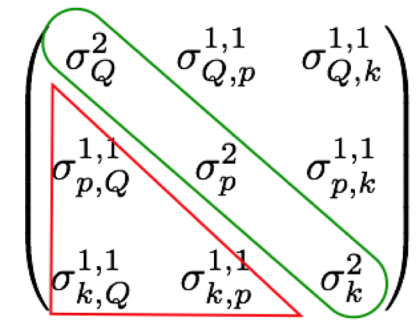
- Energy and centrality dependence of HBT radius studied with BES data
- Lighter particles emitted closer to the center of the source than heavy particles

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# Cumulants of Net-Particle Distributions in Beam Energy Scan

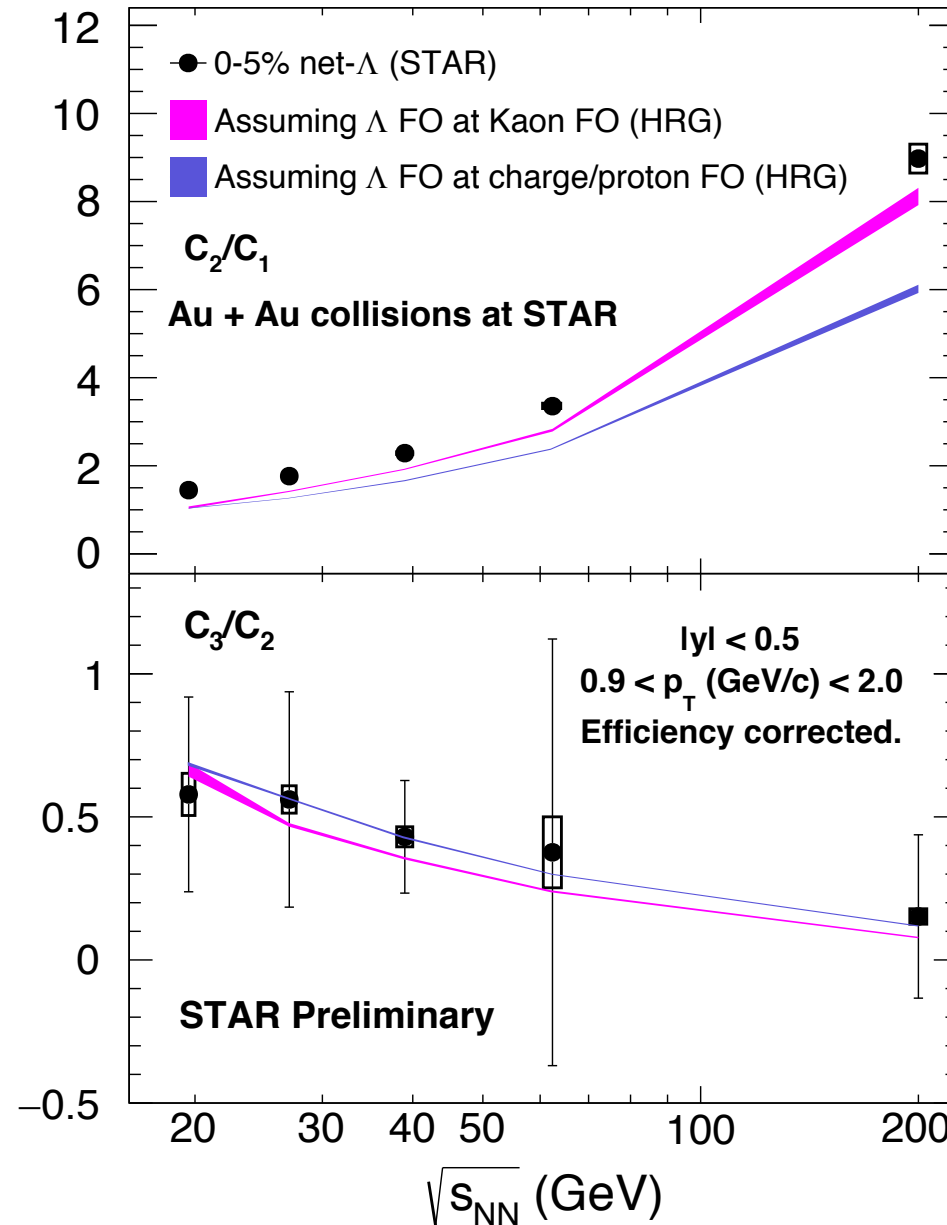
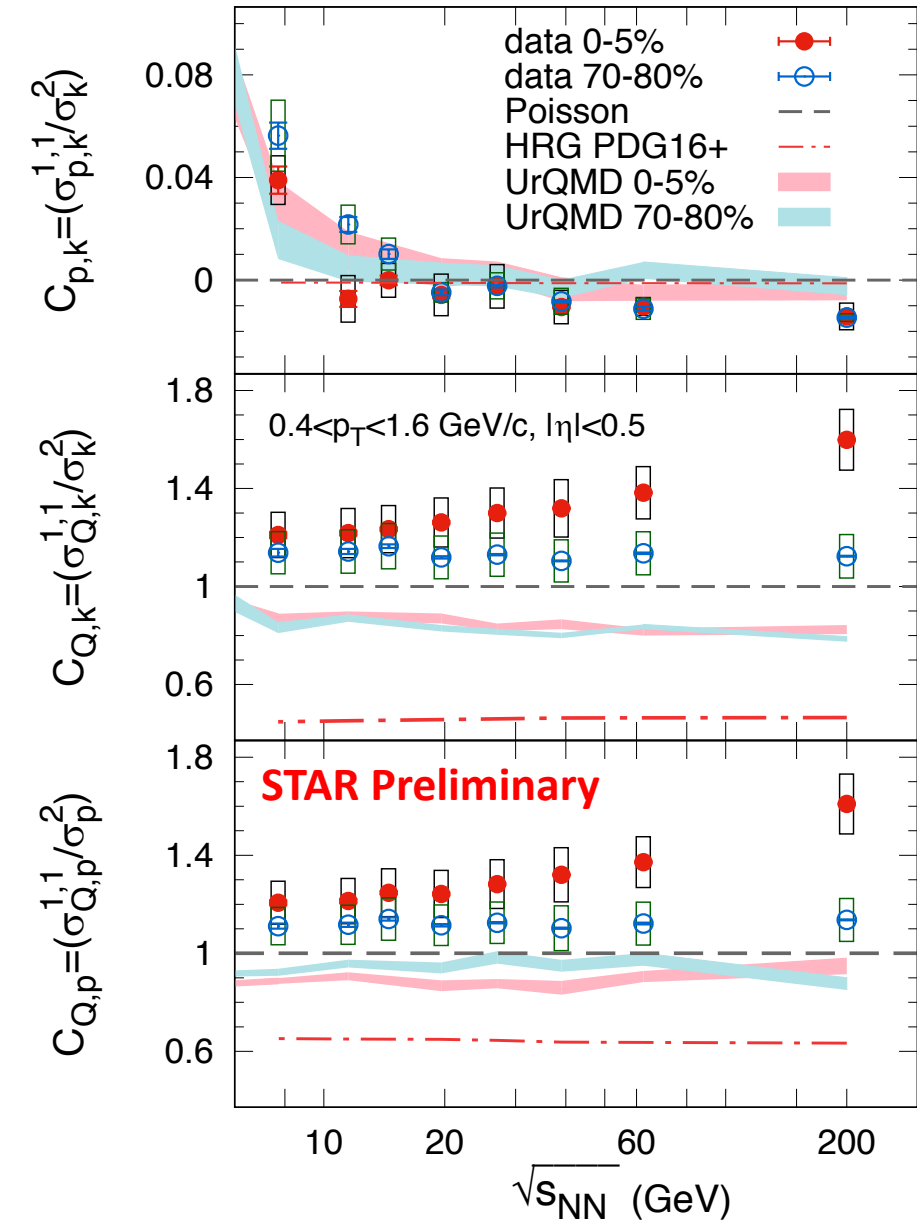


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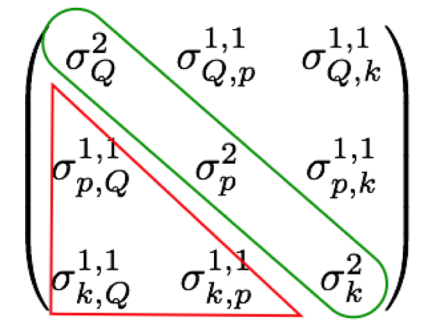


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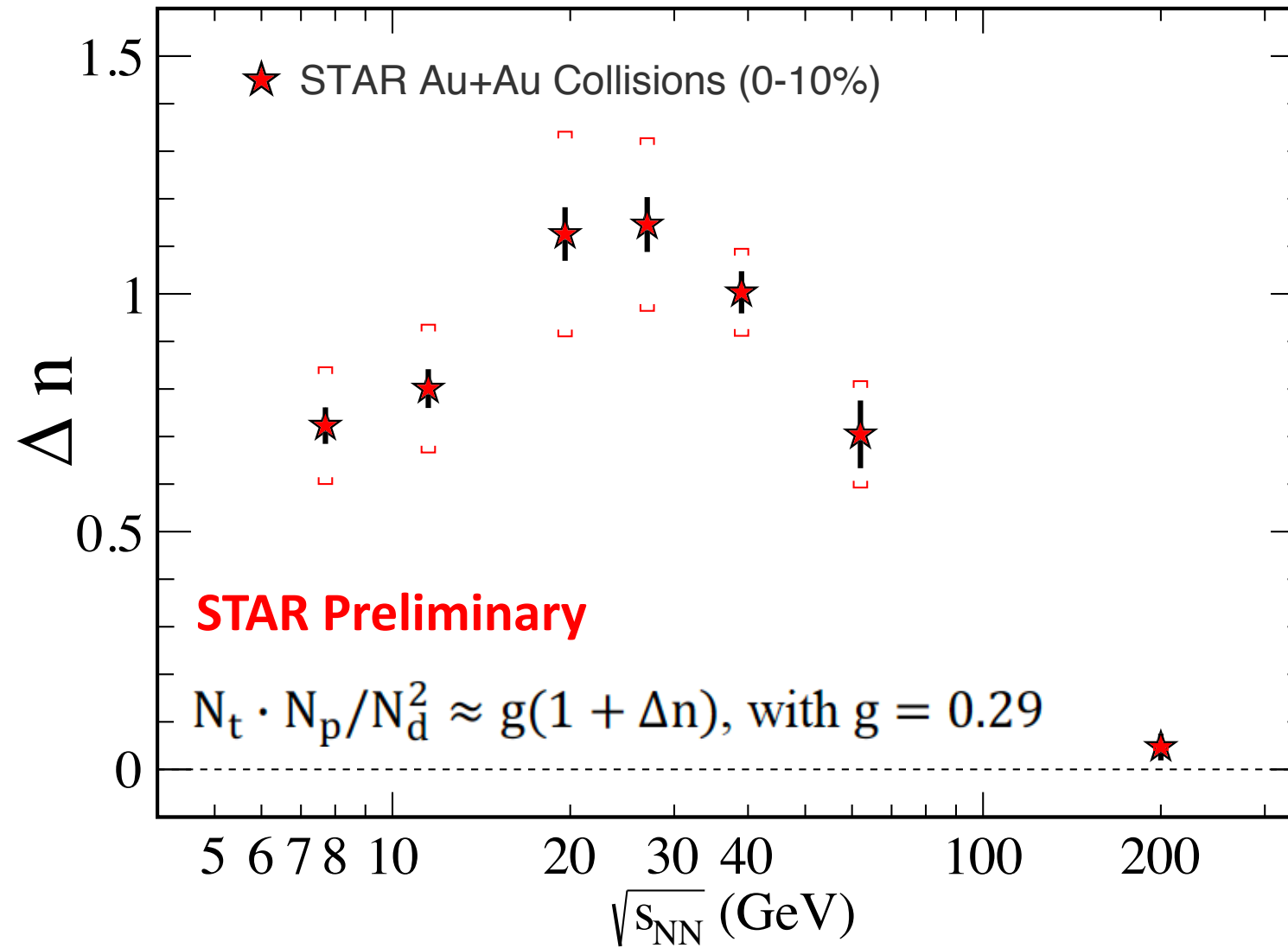


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- Net-Lambda cumulant ratio  $C_2/C_1$  closer to HRG calculations with freeze-out condition of kaon than charge/proton.

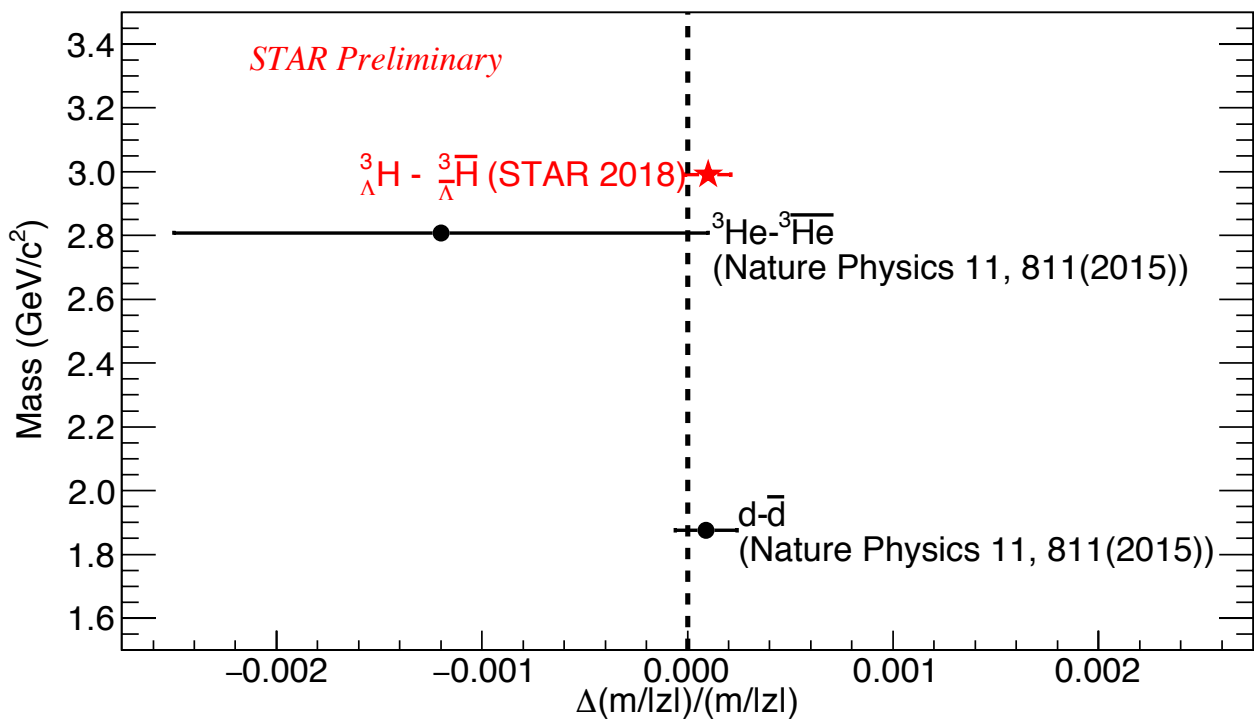
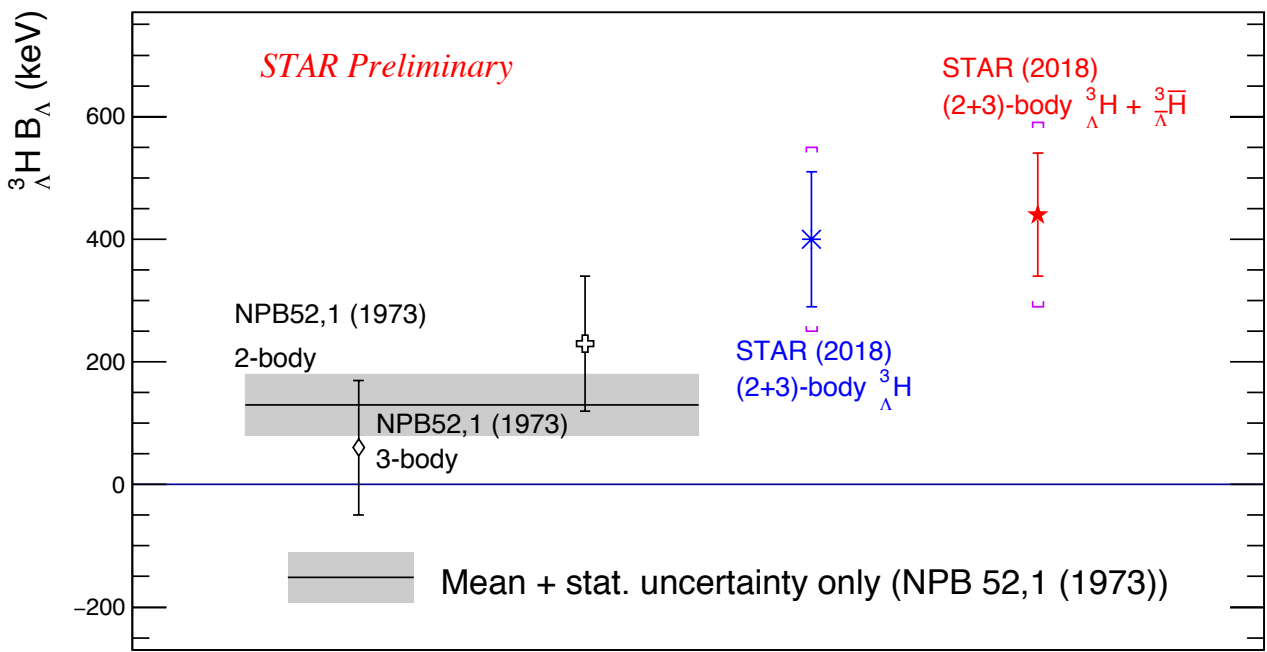
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- Non-monotonic energy dependence of neutron density fluctuation  $\Delta n = \langle \delta_n^2 \rangle / \langle n \rangle^2$

Peng Liu  
#556, May 15, 15:40

# Measurement of (Anti-)Hypertriton Masses



- Excellent S/B ratio from the HFT data, allowing for precise determination of the hypertriton binding energy:

$$m_d + m_{\Lambda} - m_{{}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}} = 0.44 \pm 0.10 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.15 \text{ (syst.) MeV}$$

providing insight on Hyperon-Nucleon interaction and thus neutron star structure, and the mass difference between  ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$  and  ${}^3_{\Lambda}\bar{\text{H}}$

$$(\Delta m/m)_{{}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}} = (1.0 \pm 0.9 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.7 \text{ (syst.)}) \times 10^{-4}$$

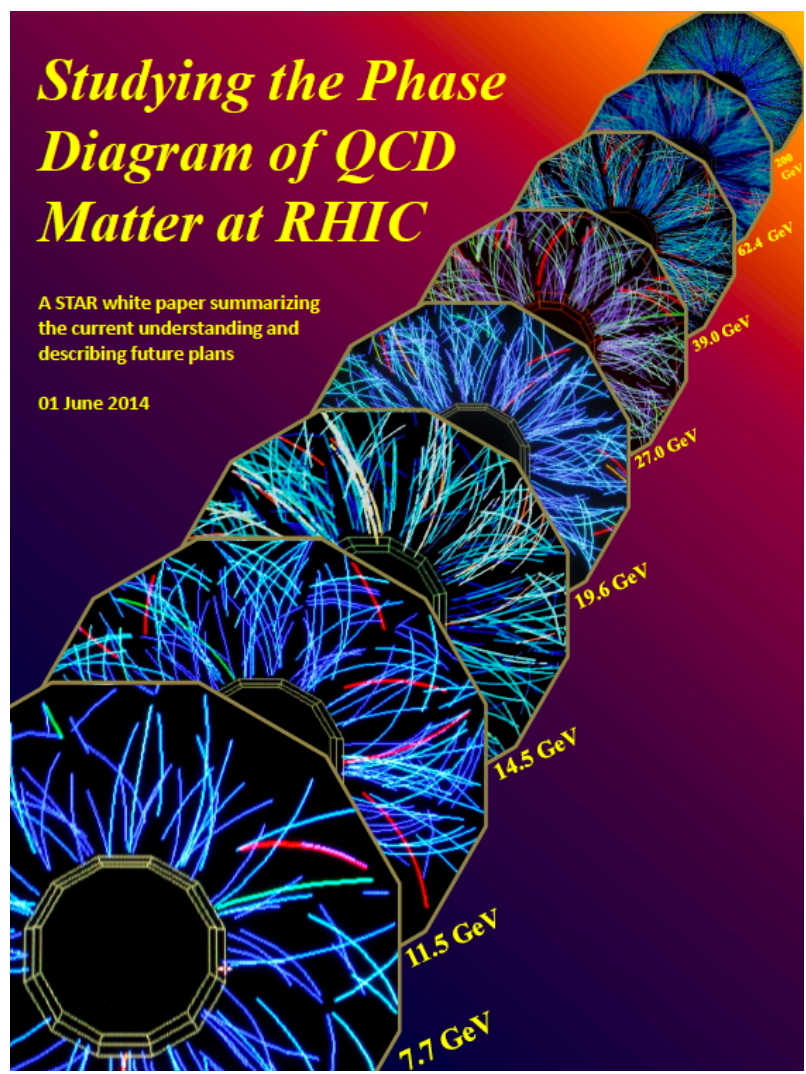
is the first test of the CPT symmetry in the light hyper-nuclei sector.

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# Beam Energy Scan Phase II and Forward Upgrades



The STAR Forward Calorimeter and Forward Tracking System

A Tale of Initial State:  
Nucleon to Nuclei

**Beam Energy Scan Phase II (2019+)**  
**Collider + FXT at 3.5-19.6 GeV**  
**with iTPC, EPD, eTOF**

Look for 1<sup>st</sup> order phase transition  
 Look for QCD critical point  
 Turn-off of QGP signatures

**Forward Upgrade (2021+)**  
**p+p, p+A, A+A at top energies**

(3+1)D correlations  
 Initial state & hadronization in nucl. collisions  
 Subprocess driving large  $A_N$  at high  $x_F$  and  $\eta$   
 Signature and A-dependence of saturation  
 TMDs at low and high  $x$ ,  $\Delta g(x)$  at low  $x$

Qian Yang  
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#588 Collision System Dependence of Anisotropic Flow, Flow Fluctuations and Mixed Harmonic Correlations at STAR Energies, by **Niseem Magdy, May 15 11:30**

## Correlations and fluctuations

#551 Event Plane Dependence of Di-hadron Correlations with Event Shape Engineering at the STAR Experiment, by **Ryo Aoyama, May 15 16:40**

#590 Geometry and Dynamics in Heavy-ion Collisions Seen by the Femtoscopy in the STAR Experiment, by **Sebastian Siejka, May 16 15:40**

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#587 Directed Flow of Quarks from the RHIC Beam Energy Scan Measured by STAR, by **Gang Wang, May 16 11:50**

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#584 Global Polarization of Lambda Hyperons in Au+Au Collisions at 200 GeV from STAR, by **Takafumi Niida, May 15 9:00**

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#592 Search for the Chiral Magnetic Wave with Anisotropic Flow of Identified Particles at RHIC-STAR, by **Qiye Shou, May 16 17:30**

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#559 Strangeness Production in U+U Collisions at STAR, by Srikanta Kumar Tripathy

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#543 Measurements of  $D_0$  Production in p+Au and d+Au Collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV by the STAR Experiment, by Lukas Kramarik

#733 Directed Flow Due to the Initial Source Tilt and Density Asymmetry in Cu+Au and Au+Au Collisions at STAR, by Takafumi Niida

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