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- ♦ Introduction. High energy heavy ion collisions.
 - ♦ Anisotropic flow: Number of constituent quark (NCQ) scaling
 - ♦ Tests of the chiral magnetic effect
- ♦ Anisotropic flow: system response to anisotropic initial conditions.
 - ♦ Flow fluctuations and nonflow
 - ♦ Fluctuation in the initial conditions → (all) harmonics flow
- ♦ Conclusions

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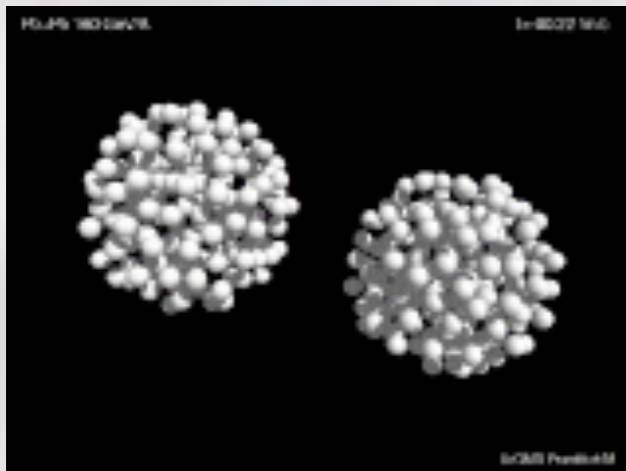
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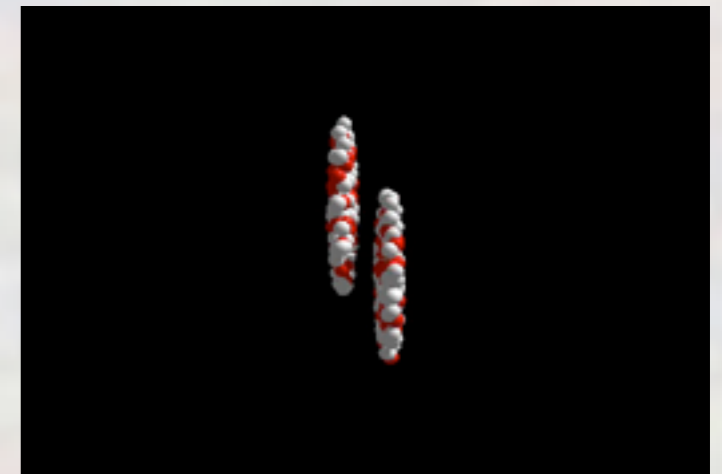
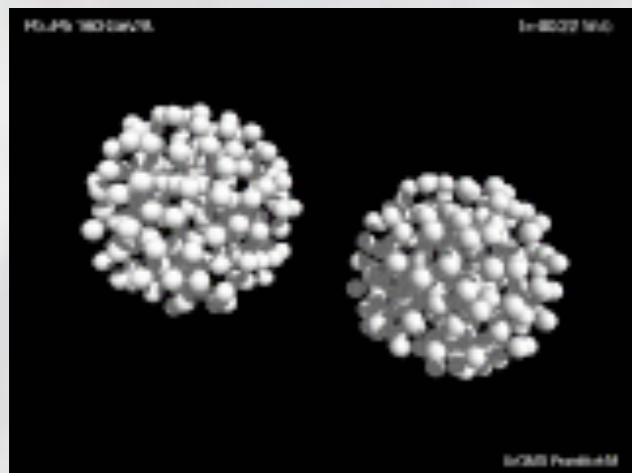
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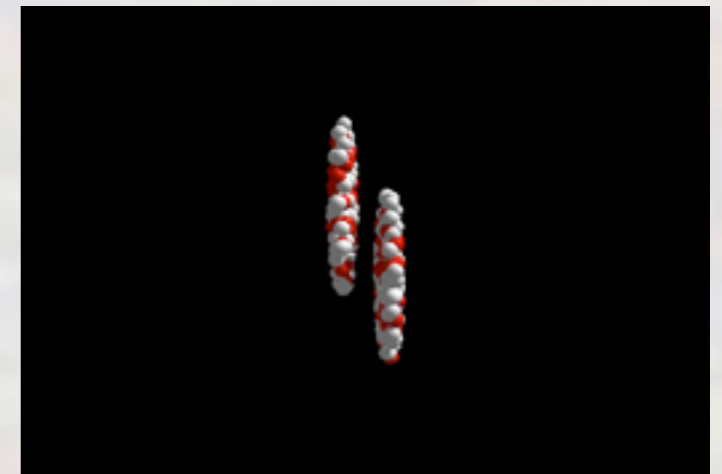
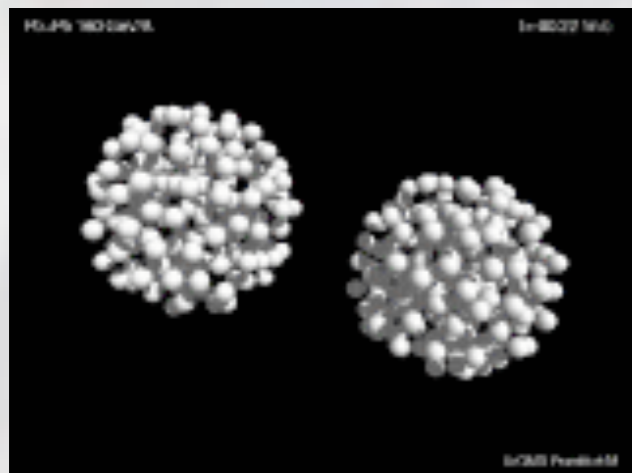
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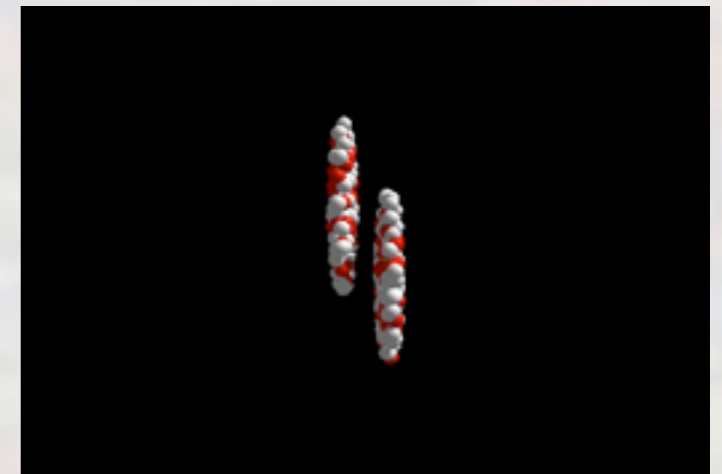
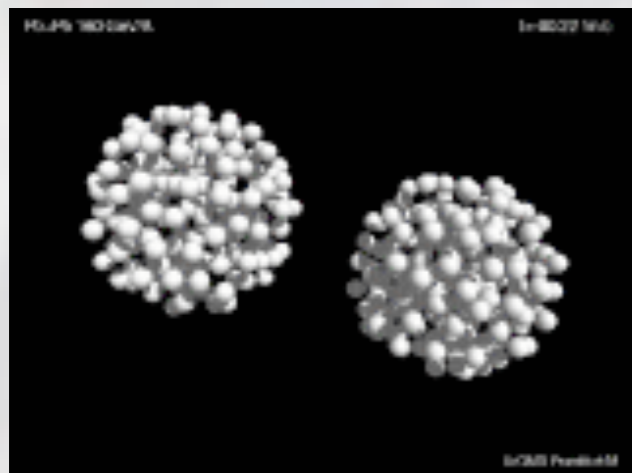
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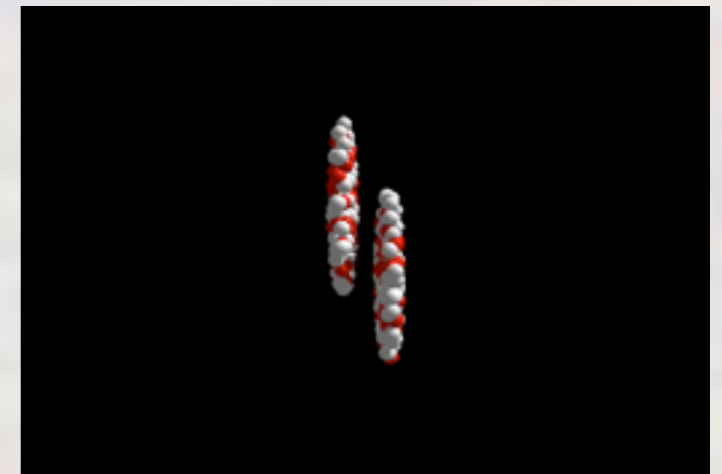
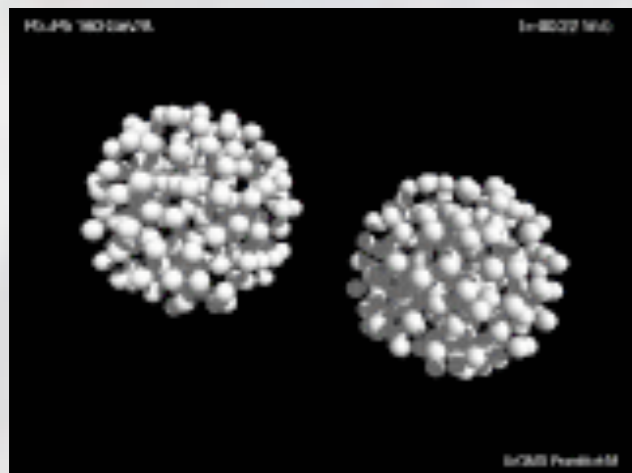
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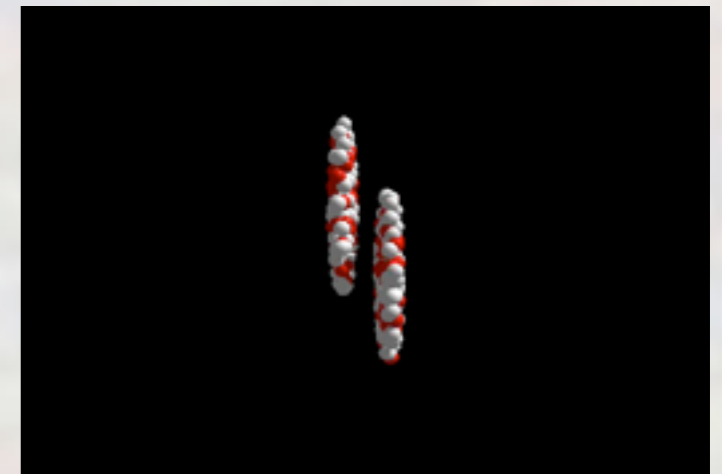
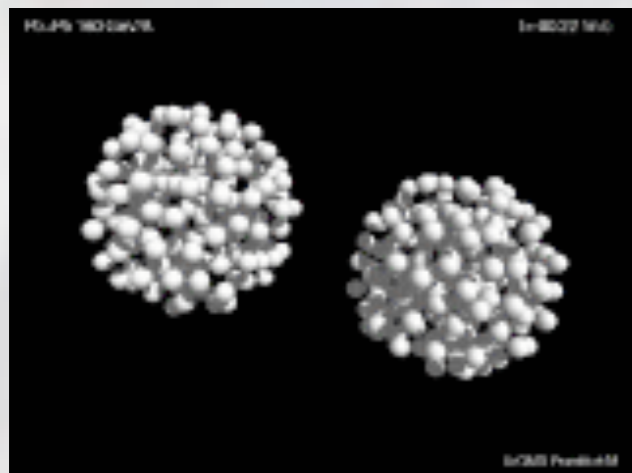
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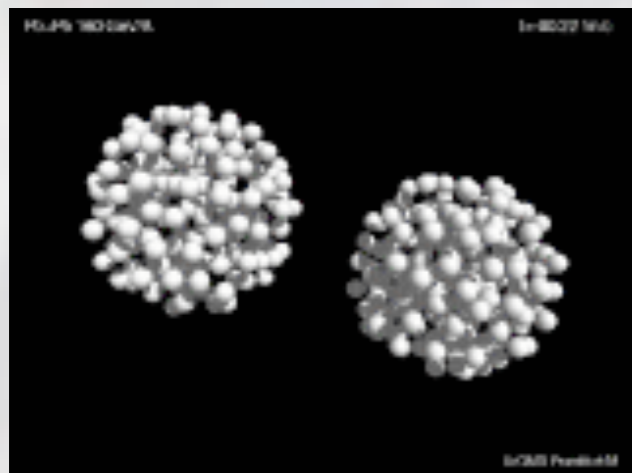
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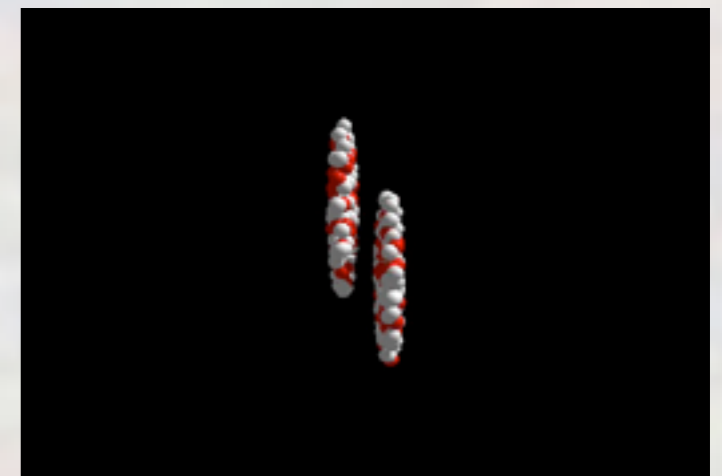
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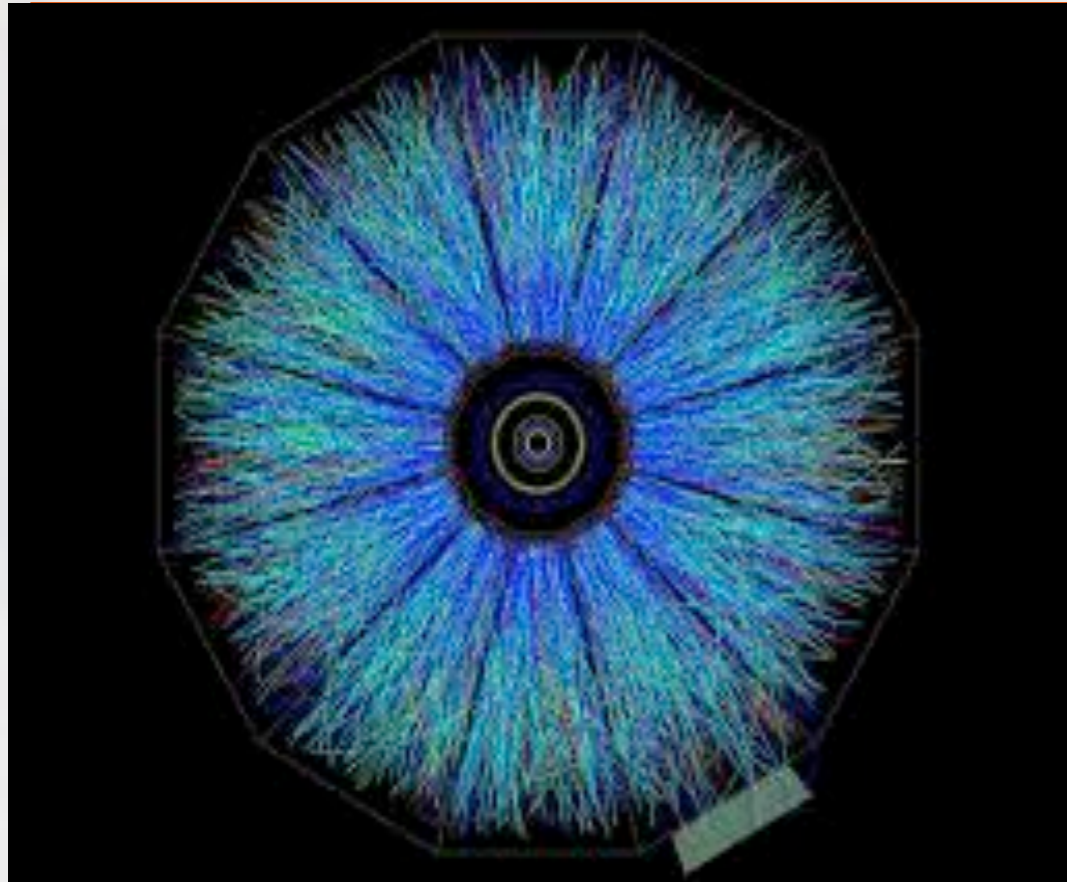
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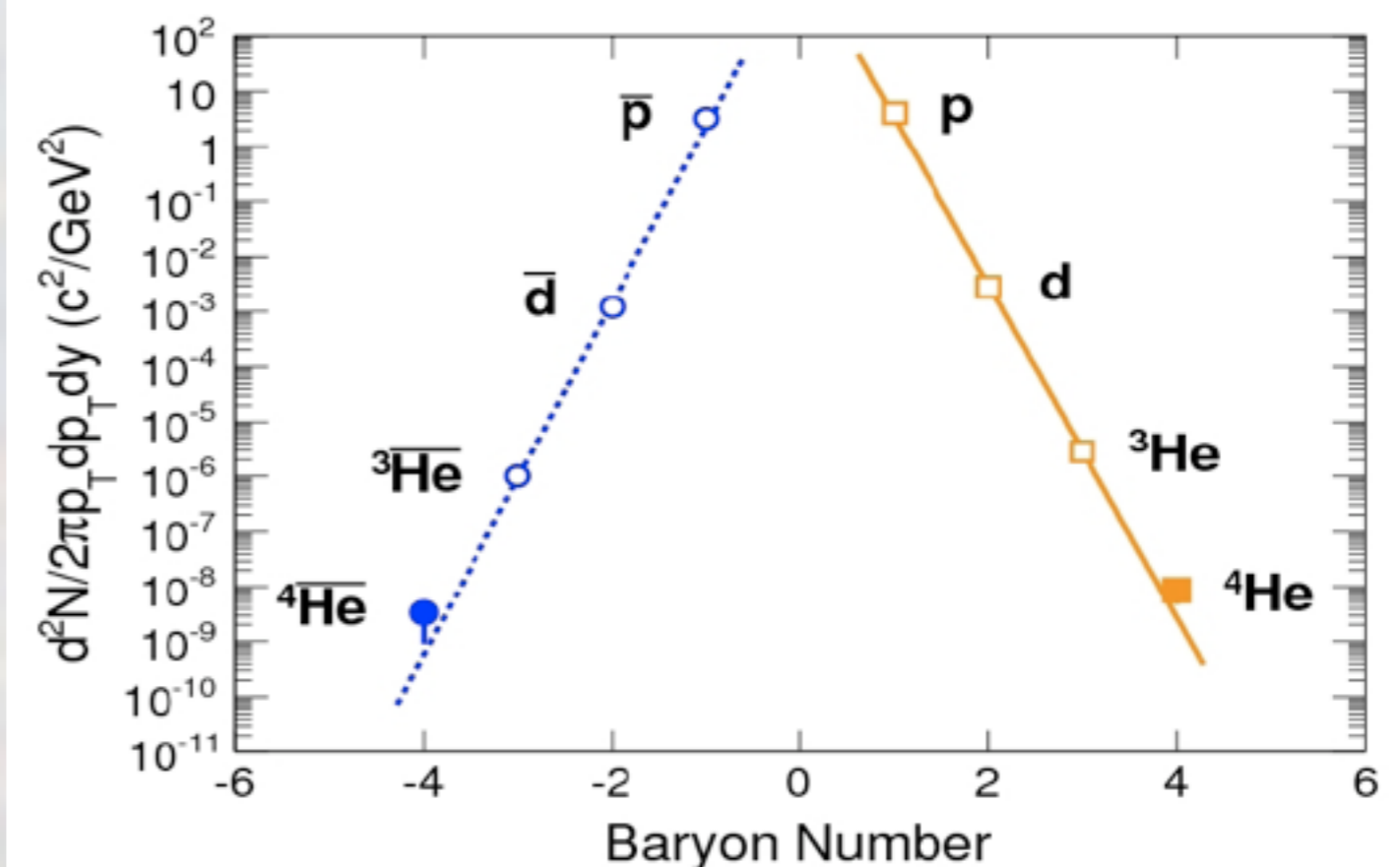
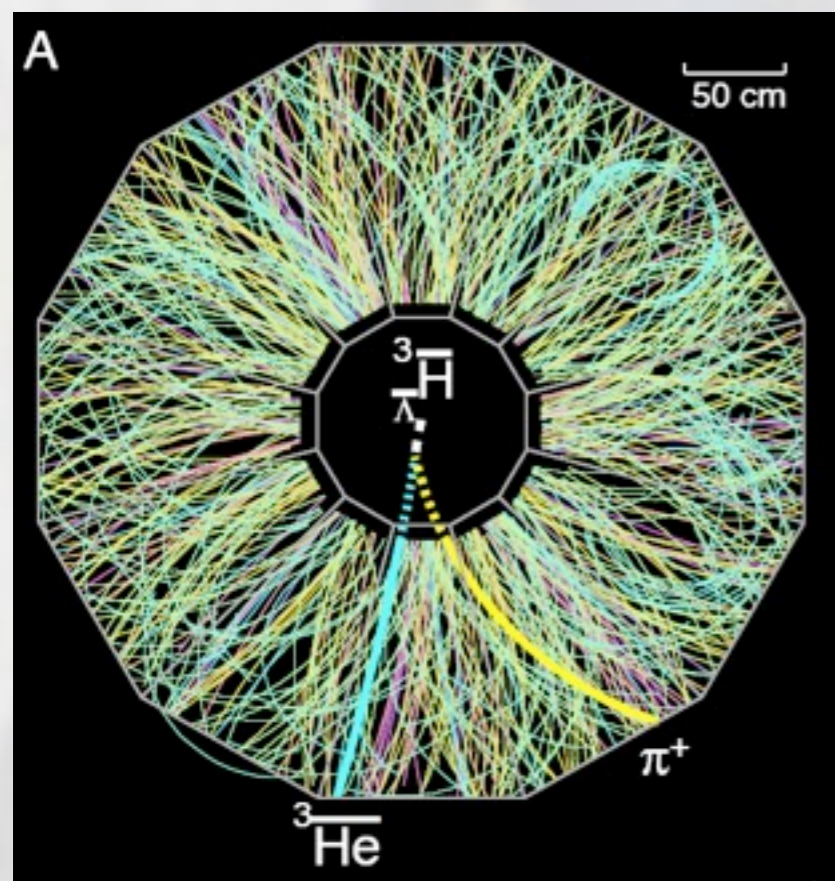
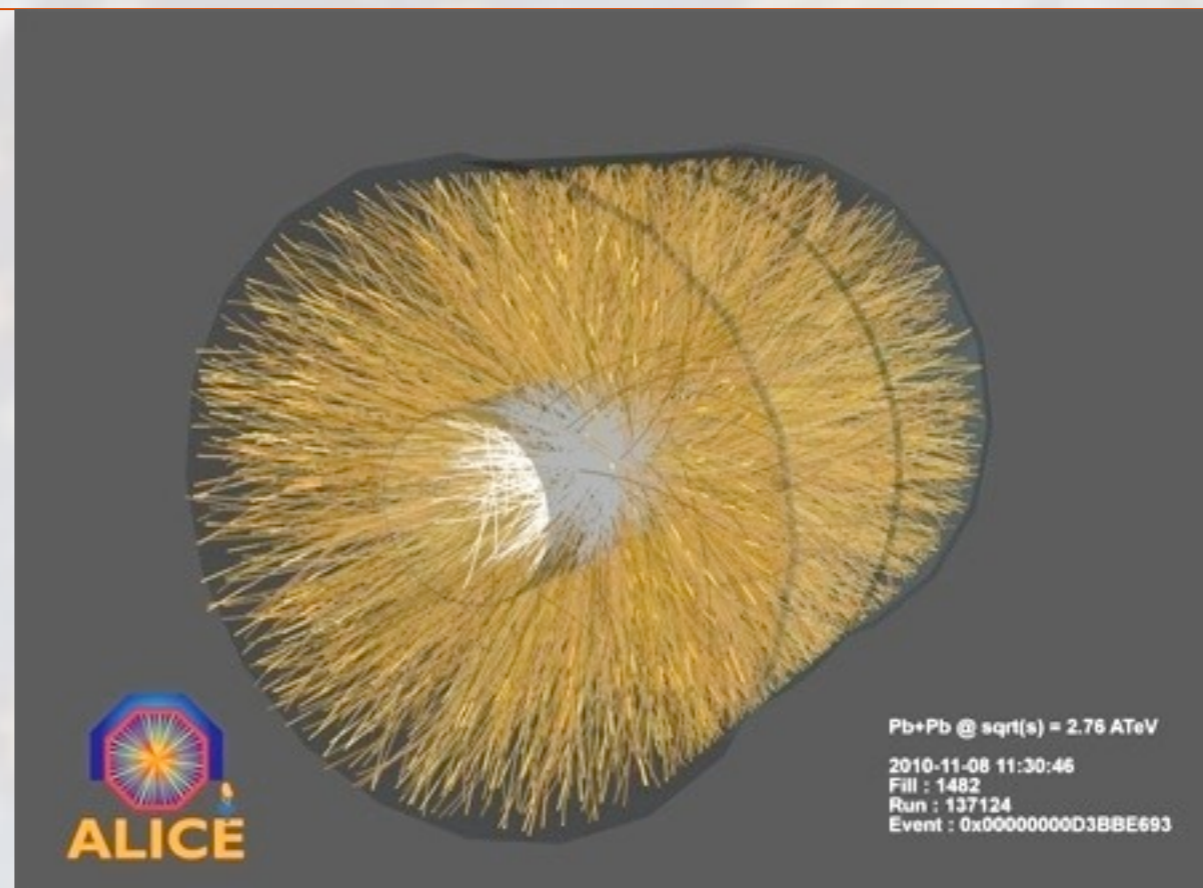
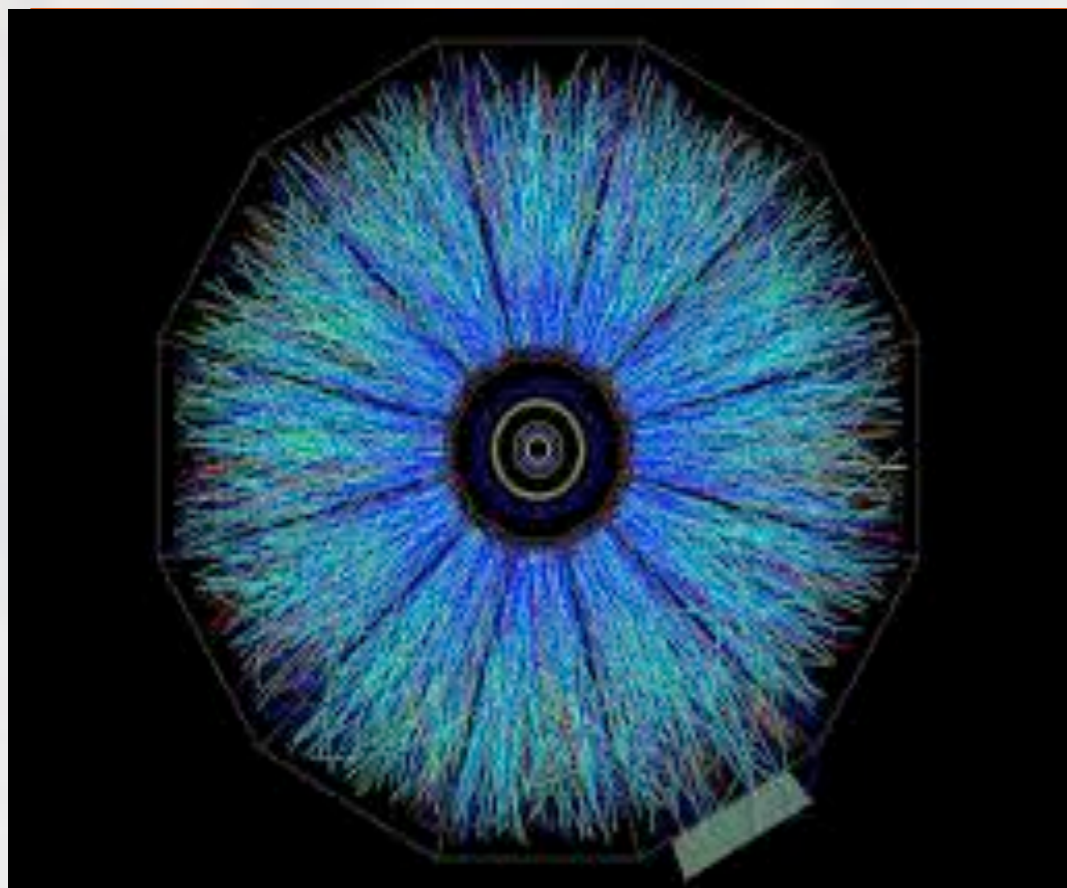
$x (A=208) \rightarrow$
 LHC Pb+Pb central collision: $\sim 0.2 \text{ mJ} !!!$



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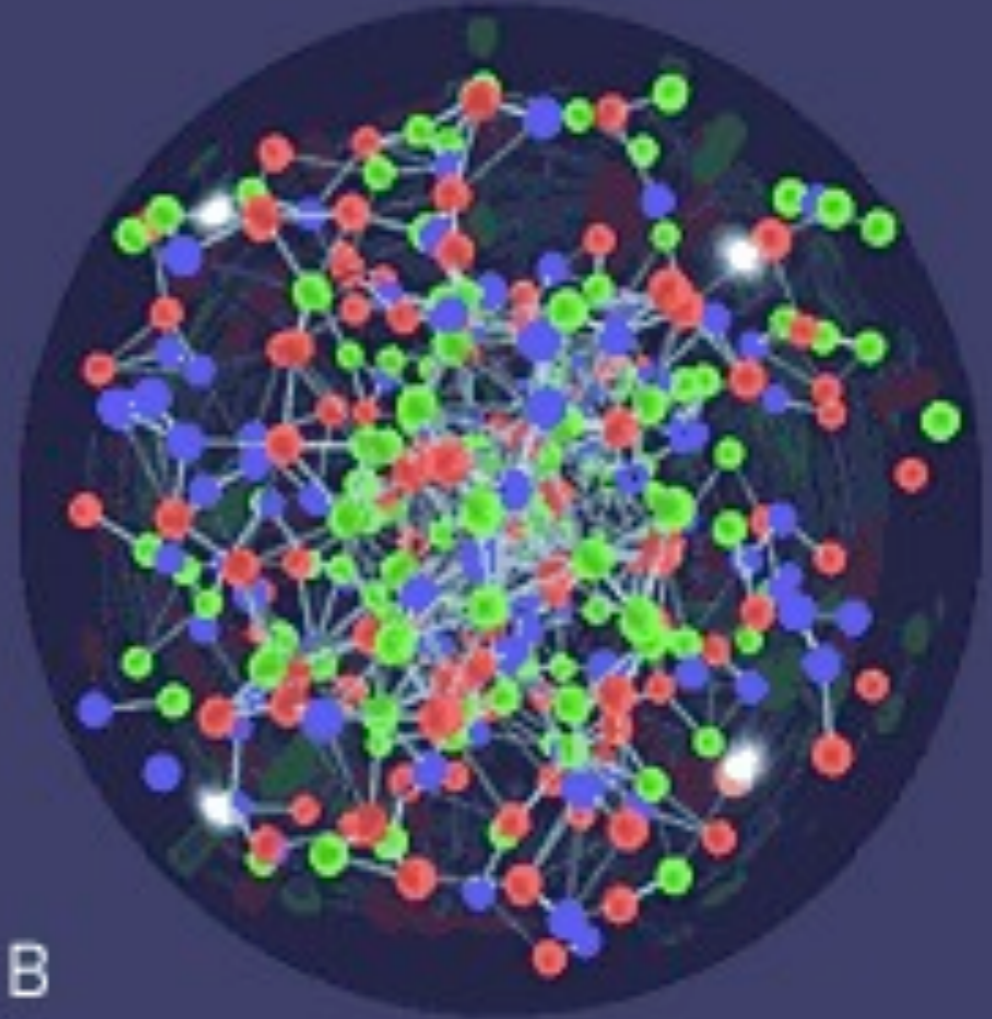
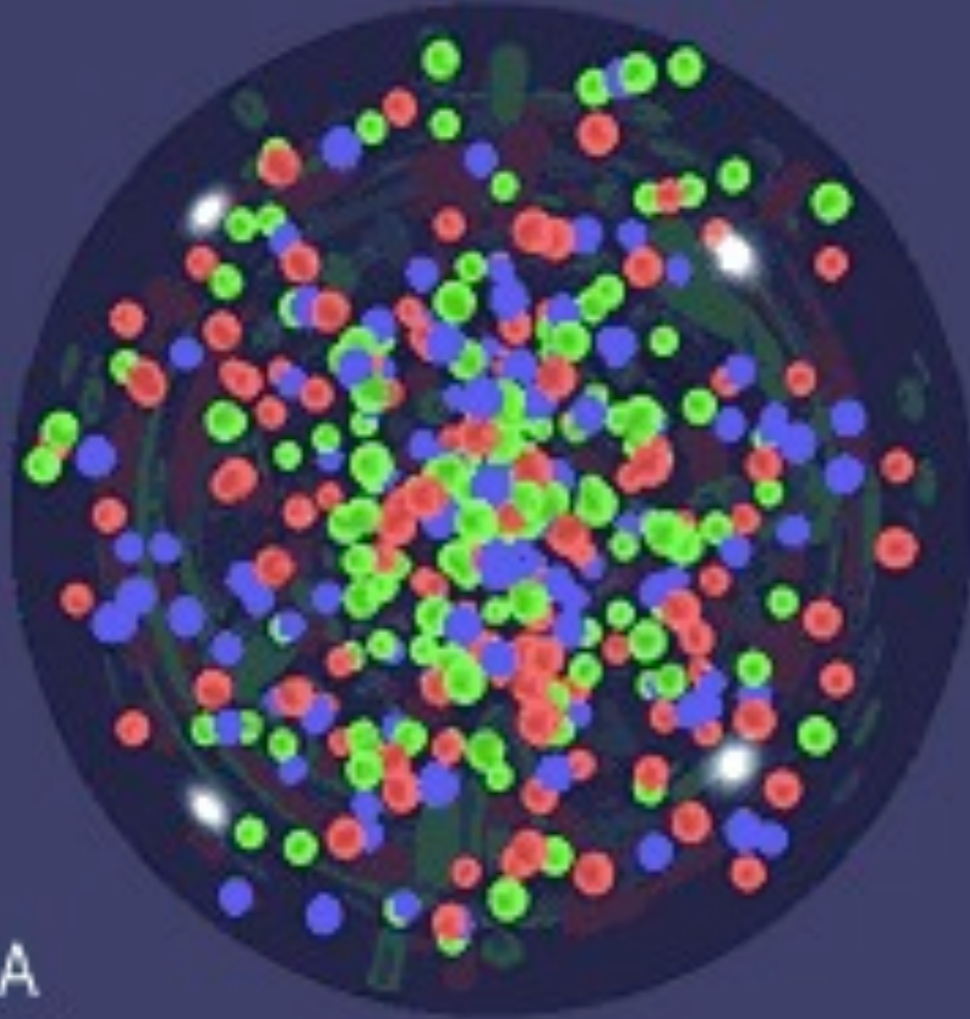


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QGP@RHIC: Gas or Liquid?

Quark-Gluon Plasma = color deconfinement
+ thermalization + ?



Local color screening \rightarrow deconfinement = “free” color propagation
over large ($\gg 1$ fm) distances

RHIC answer in the news

Universe May Have Begun as Liquid, Not Gas

Associated Press
Tuesday, April 19, 2005; Page A05

The Washington Post

New results from a particle collider suggest that the universe behaved like a liquid in its earliest moments, not the fiery gas that was thought to have prevailed.

Early Universe was a liquid

Quark-gluon blob surprises particle physicists.

by Mark Peplow
news@nature.com

nature

The Universe consisted of a perfect liquid in its first moments, according to new results from an atom-smashing experiment.

New State of Matter Is 'Nearly Perfect' Liquid

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Image: BNL

There are four collaborations, dubbed BRAHMS, PHENIX, PHOBOS and STAR, working at Brookhaven's Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider (RHIC). All of them study what happens when two interacting beams of gold ions smash into one another at great velocities, resulting in thousands of subatomic collisions every second. When the researchers analyzed the results, they found that the particles produced in the collisions behaved like a nearly perfect liquid.

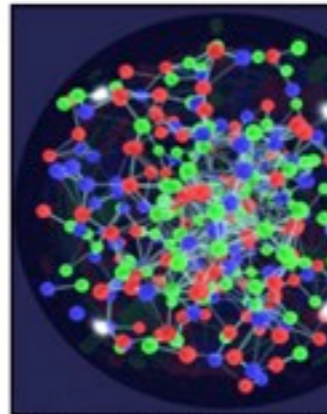
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Early Universe was 'liquid-like'

Physicists say they have created a new state of hot, dense matter by crashing together the nuclei of gold atoms.

BBC NEWS

The high-energy collisions prised open the nuclei to reveal their most basic particles, known as quarks and gluons.



The impression is of matter that is more strongly interacting than predicted.

The researchers, at the US Brookhaven National Laboratory, say these particles were seen to behave as an almost perfect liquid.

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Quark Soup

PHYSICISTS RE-CREATE THE LIQUID STUFF OF THE EARLIEST UNIVERSE



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宇宙の始まりはしずく? 「クォークは液体」と発表

2005年04月18日23時34分

宇宙誕生の大爆発「ビッグバン」直後に相当する超高温・高密度の状態を再現する実験をしてきた日米などの国際チームは18日、物質を形づくることが、気体のよすがに、液体のようになると発表。宇宙や物質の起源を探る手がかりがある。

基本粒子

What's in a name?

Physicists agree that experiments at the Brookhaven atom collider have created a new form of matter. But theorists and experimentalists are still arguing about what to call it. Geoff Brumfiel investigates

nature

happens in a black hole and what goes on when two gold nuclei collide at RHIC.

Early Universe Went With the Flow

Posted April 18, 2005 5:57PM

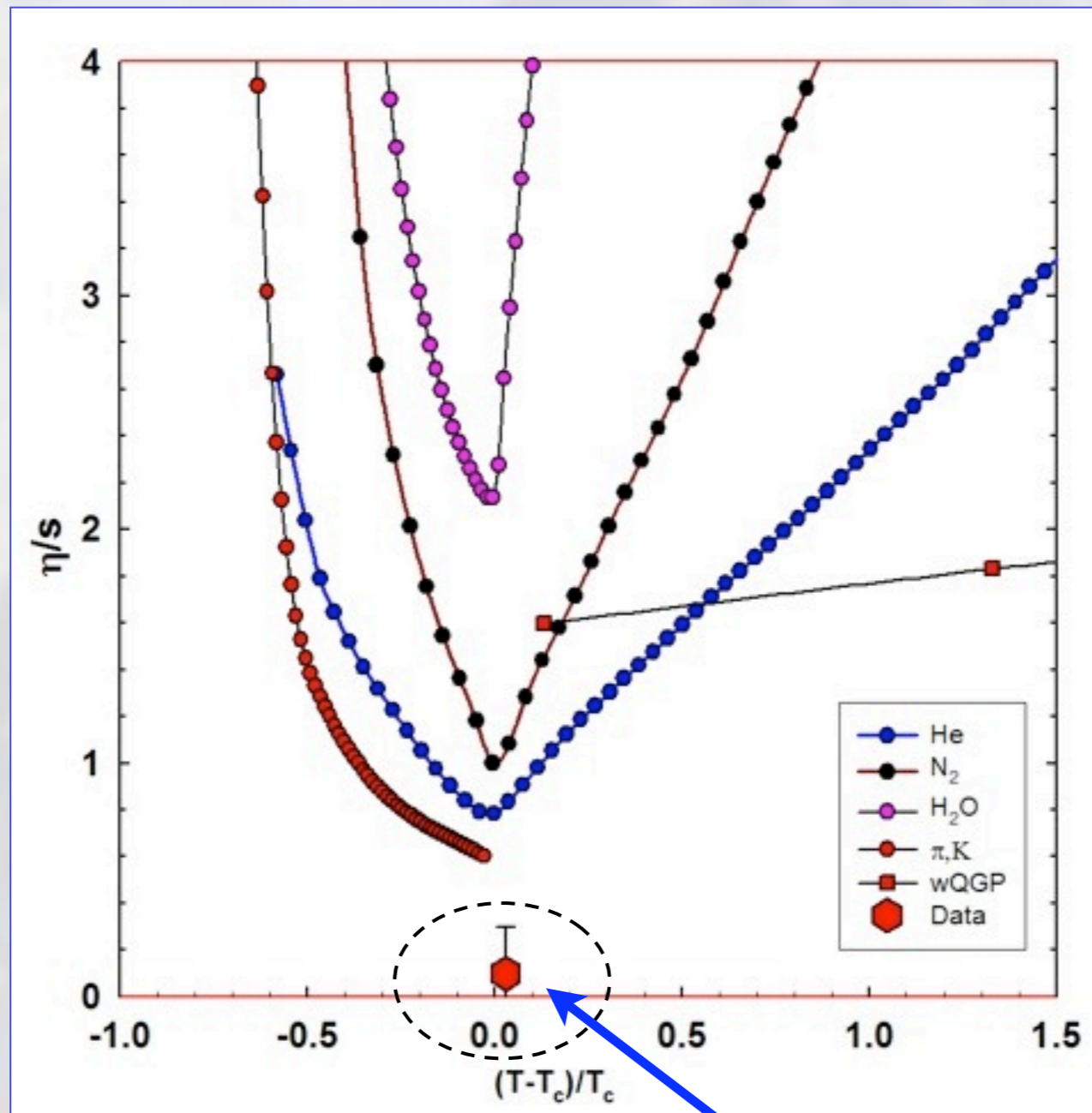
Between 2000 and 2003 the lab's Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider repeatedly smashed the nuclei of gold atoms together with such force that their energy briefly generated trillion-degree temperatures. Physicists think of the collider as a time machine, because those extreme temperature conditions last prevailed in the universe less than 100 millionths of a second after the big bang.



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Shear viscosity / entropy density



$$\frac{\eta}{s} \sim \frac{1}{4\pi}$$

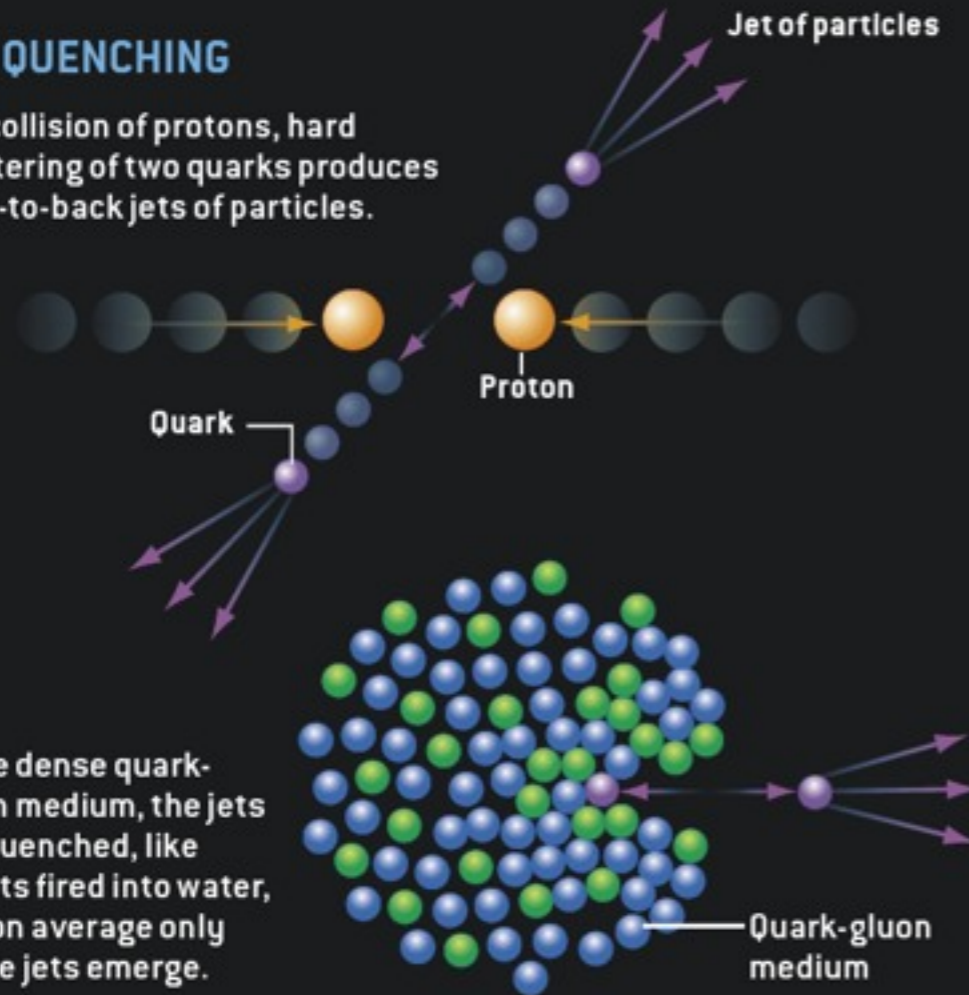
Major RHIC discoveries

EVIDENCE FOR A DENSE LIQUID

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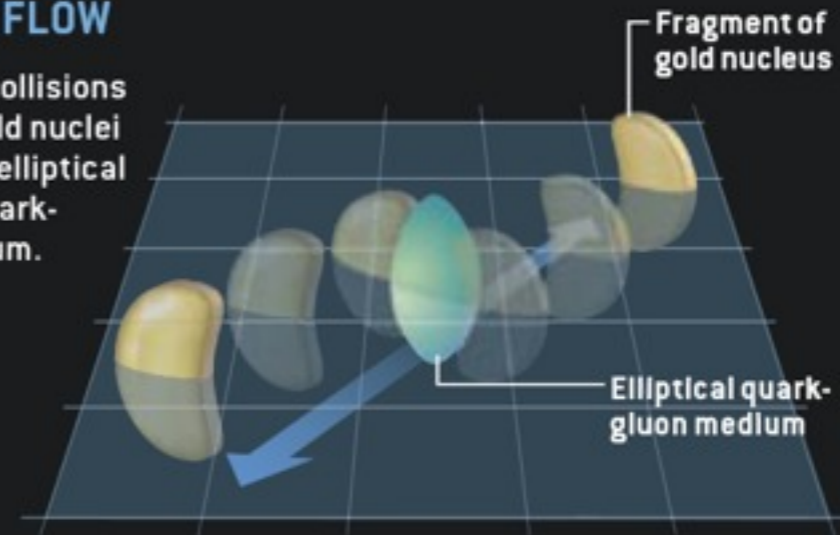
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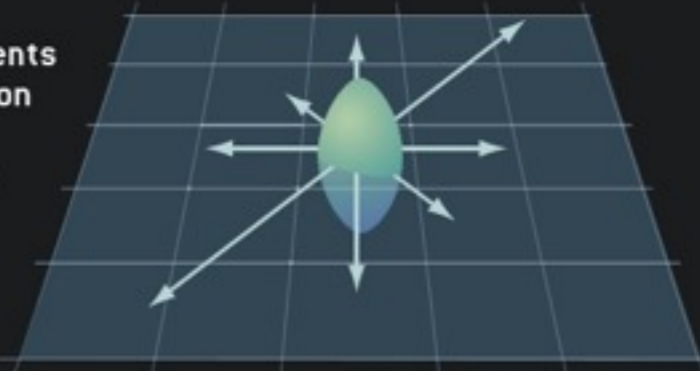
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ELLIPTIC FLOW

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The pressure gradients in the elliptical region cause it to explode outward, mostly in the plane of the collision (arrows).



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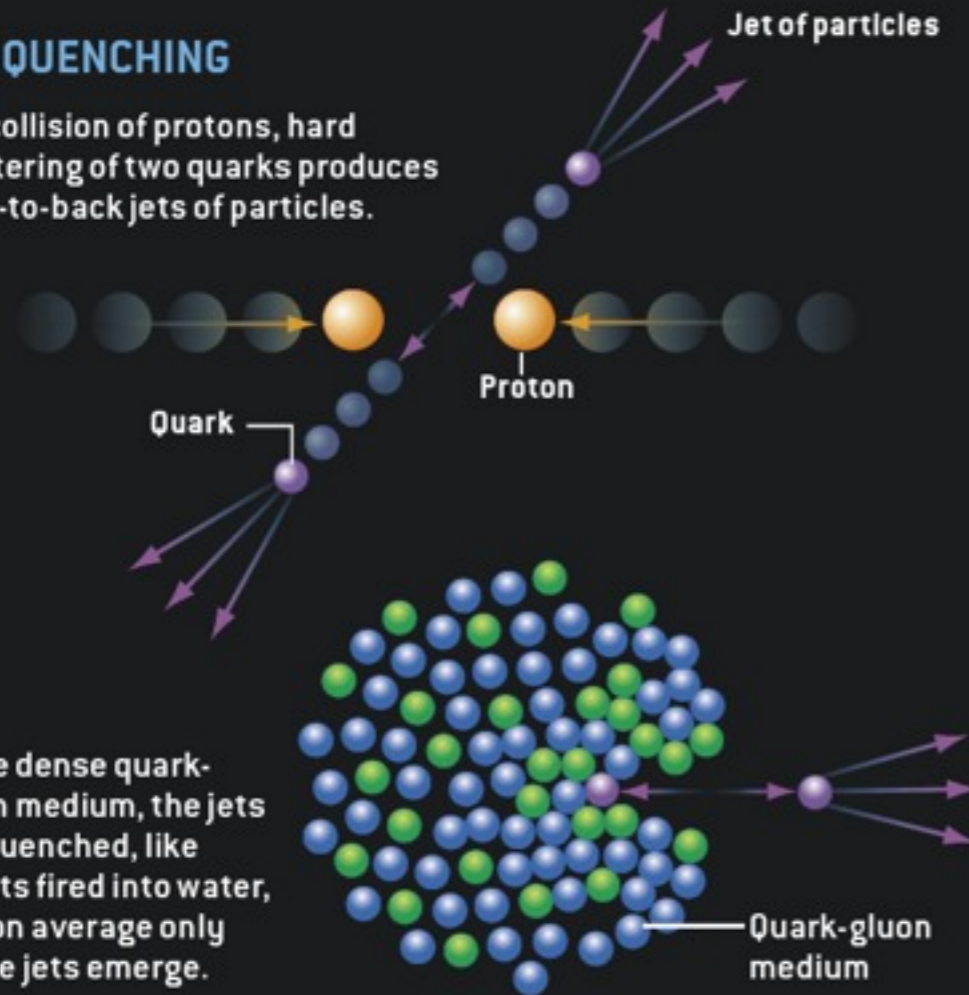
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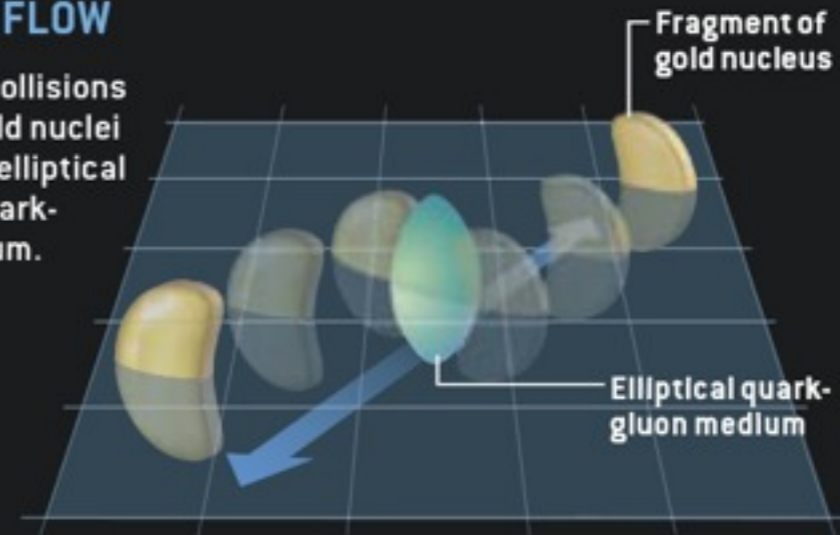
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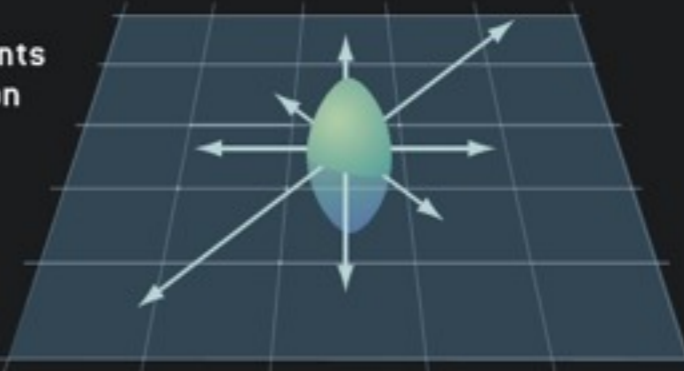
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Three major RHIC discoveries (my “count”):

1. [Large elliptic flow](#)
2. Jet quenching
3. [Constituent quark number scaling](#)

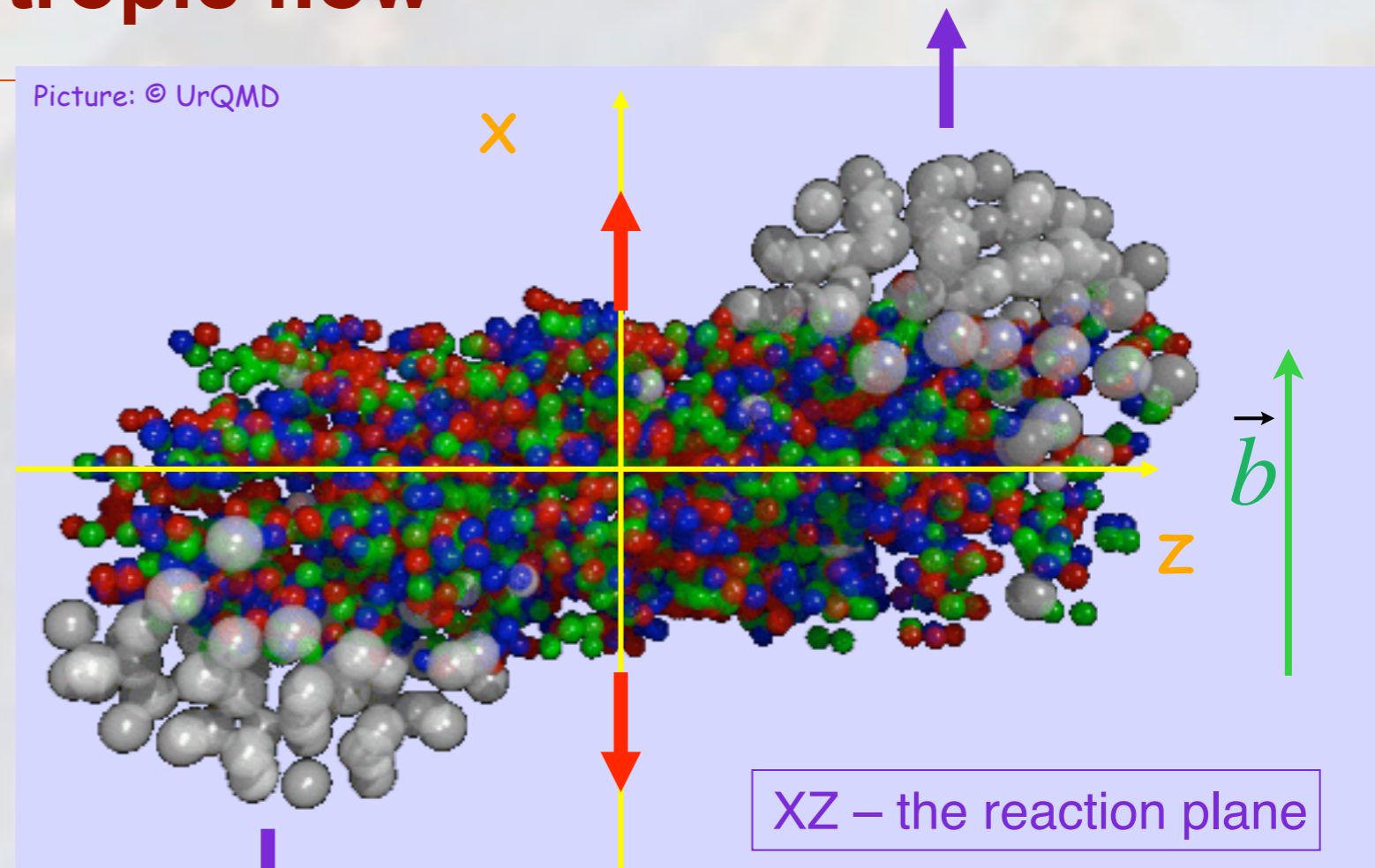
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Anisotropic flow \equiv correlations with respect to the reaction plane (more general definition later)

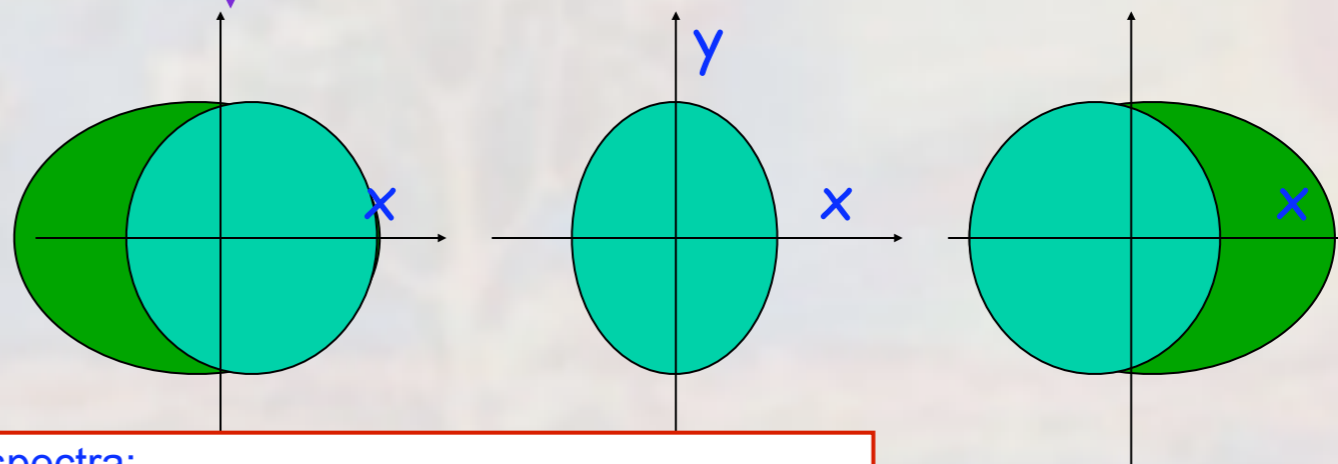
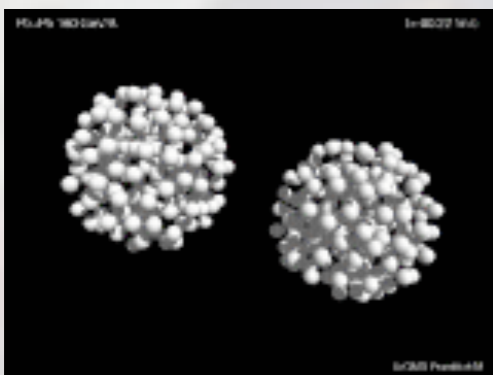
Term “flow” does not mean necessarily “hydro” flow – used only to emphasize the collective behavior \leftrightarrow multiparticle azimuthal correlation.

Note large orbital angular momentum in the system and strong electric and magnetic fields!

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XZ – the reaction plane



Fourier decomposition of single particle (semi) inclusive spectra:

$$\frac{d^3 N}{dp_t dy d\Delta\varphi} = \frac{d^2 N}{dp_t dy} \frac{1}{2\pi} (1 + 2v_1 \cos(\Delta\varphi) + 2v_2 \cos(2\Delta\varphi) + \dots)$$

Directed flow

Elliptic flow

S.V., Y. Zhang
 hep-ph/9407282
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Constituent quark coalescence

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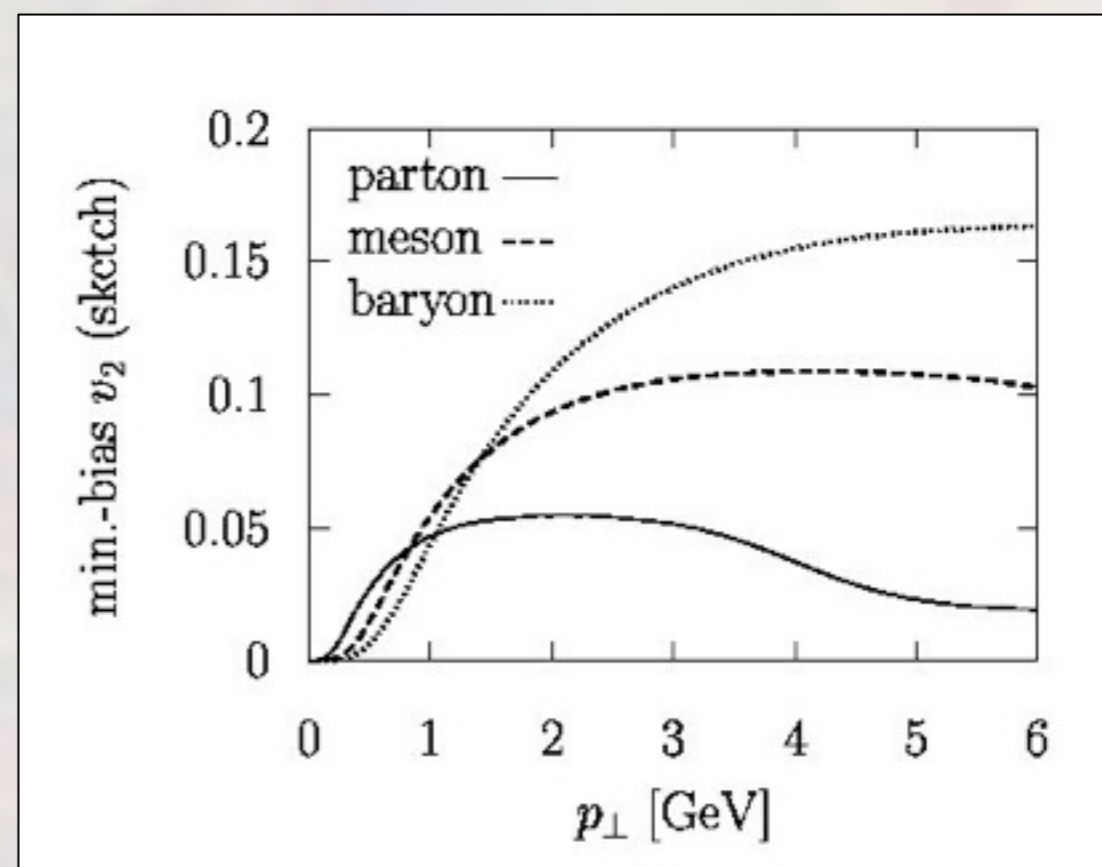
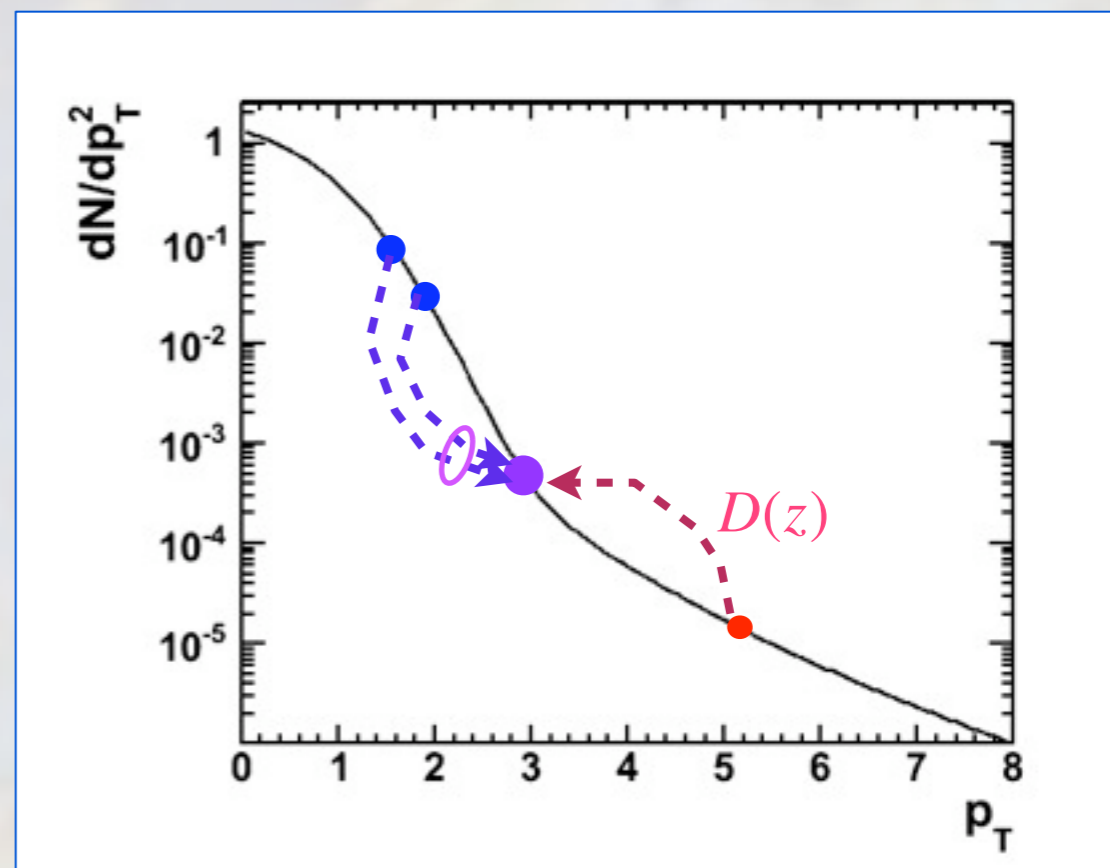
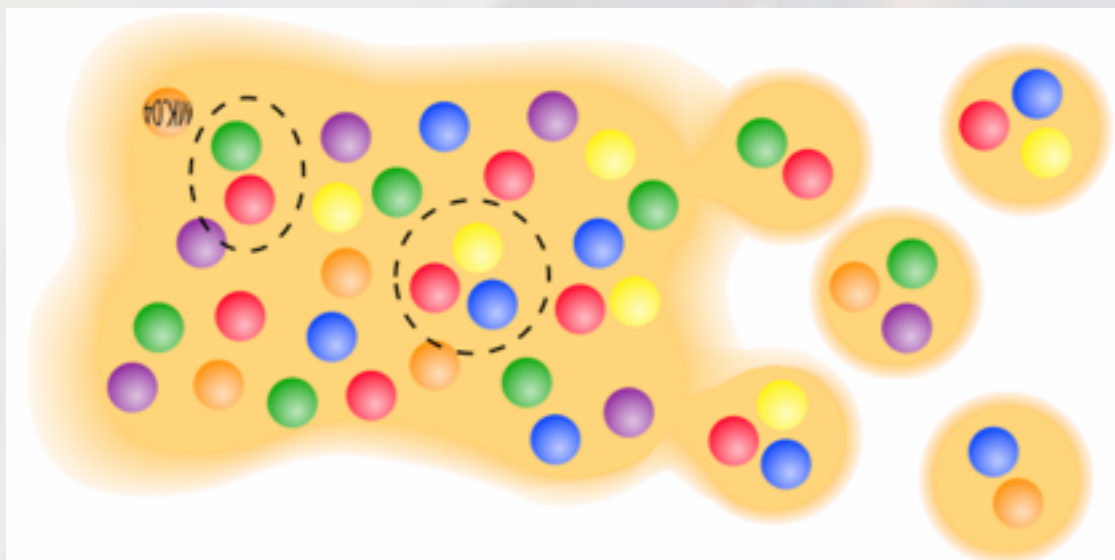
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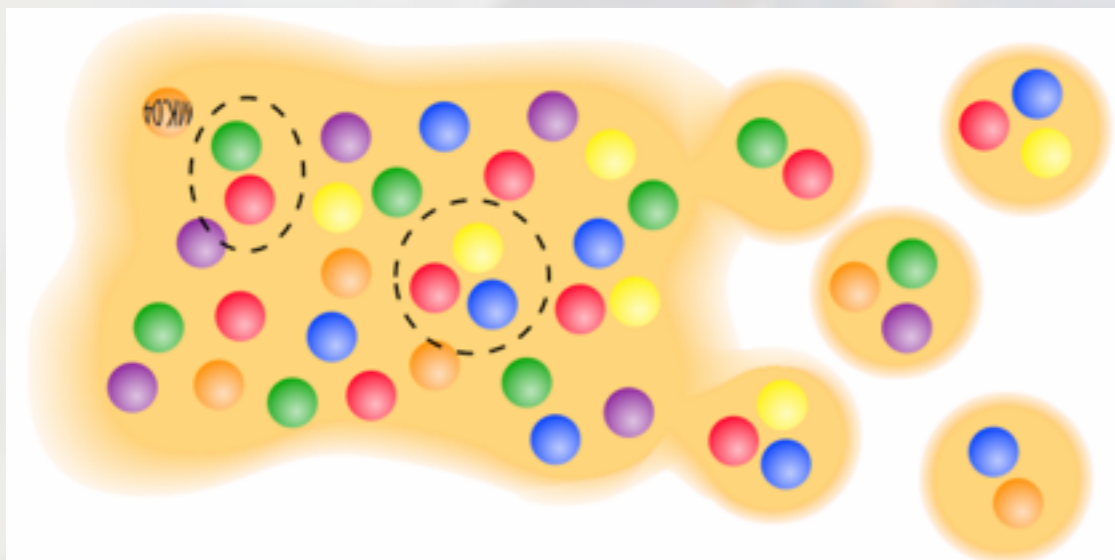
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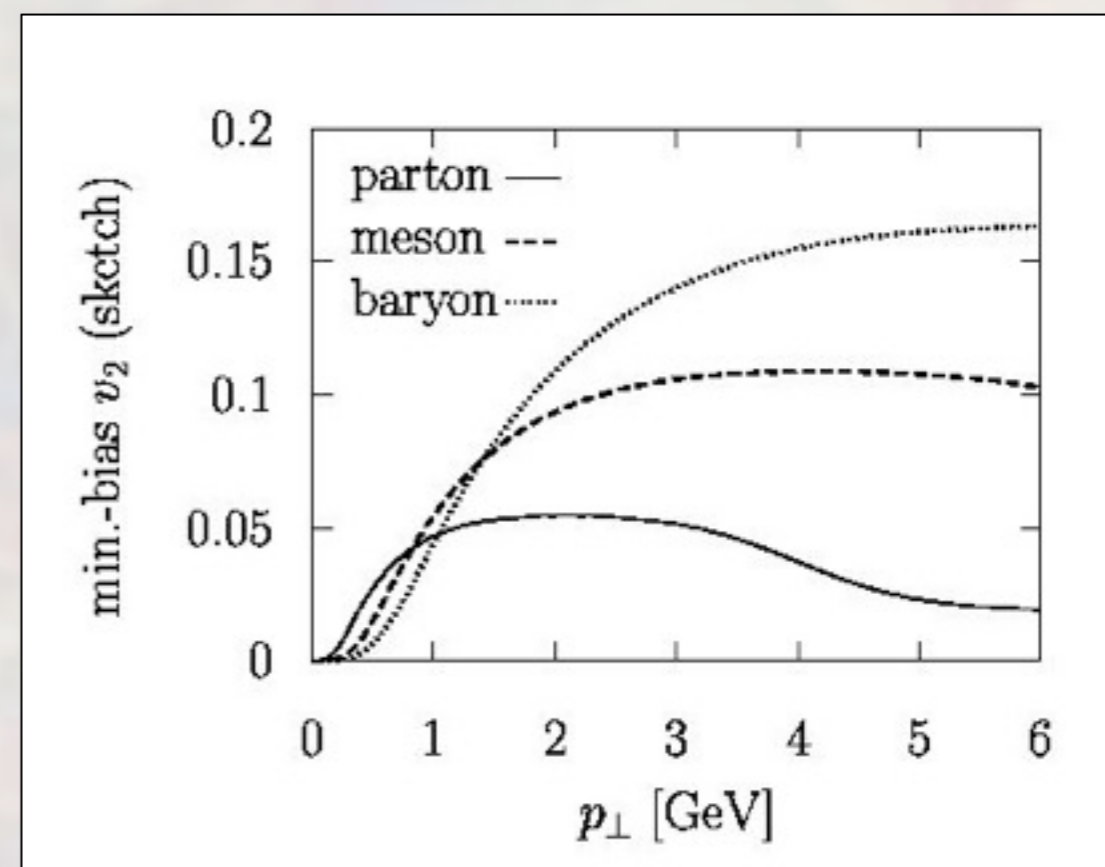
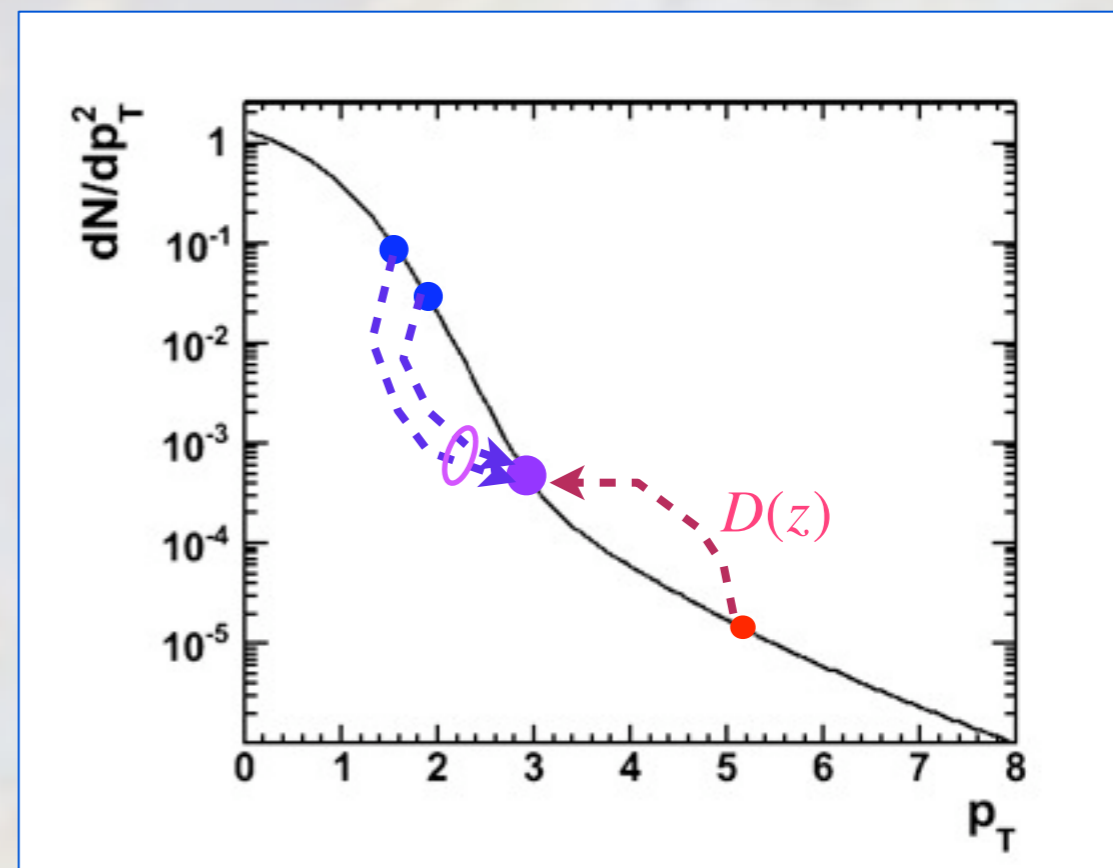
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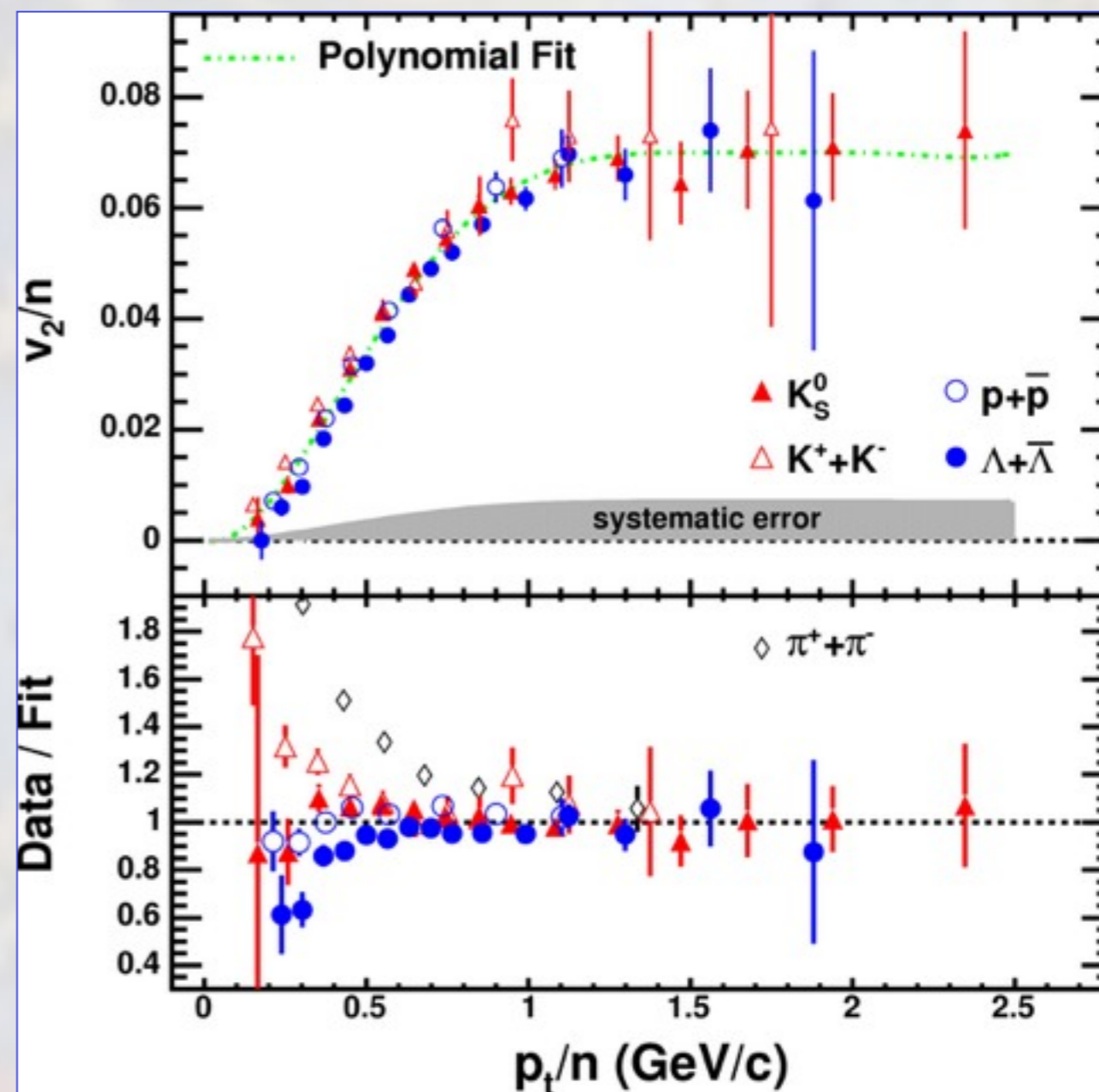
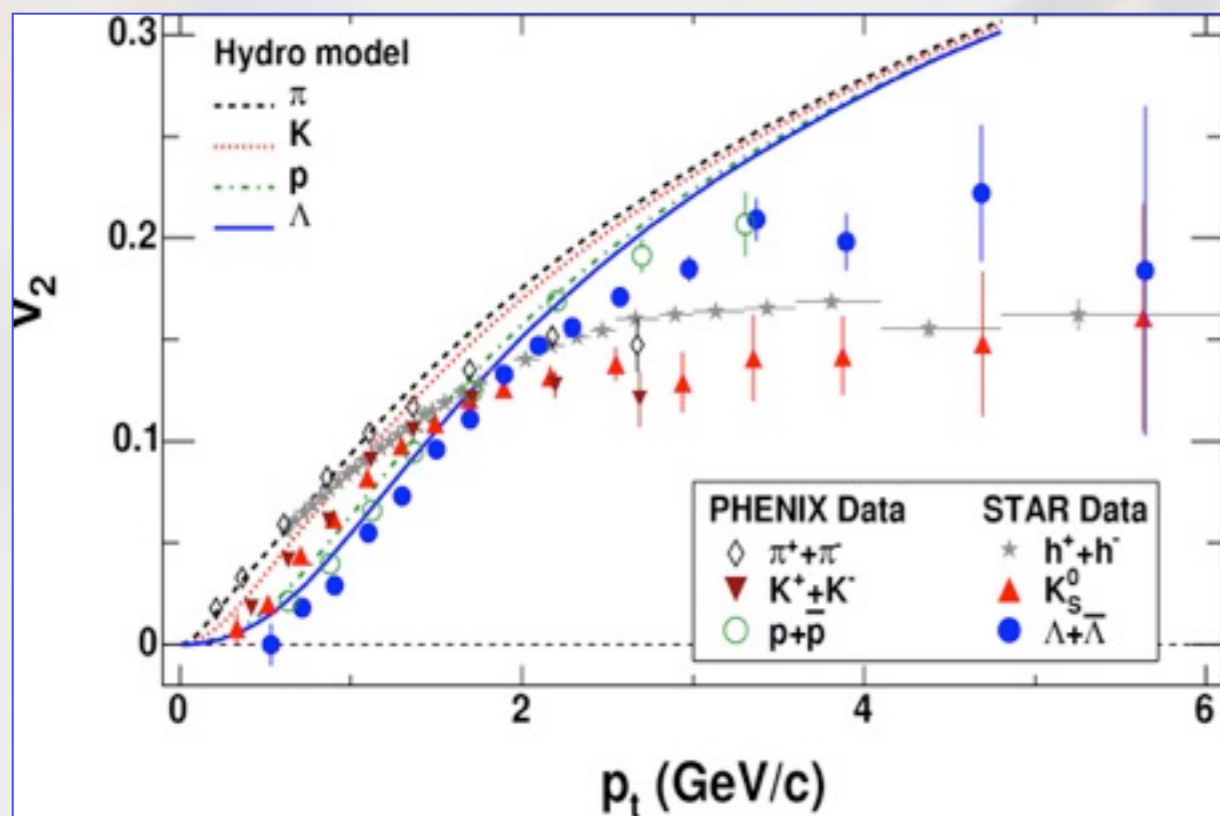
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Gas of constituent quarks – deconfinement ?



Elliptic flow: Quark scaling

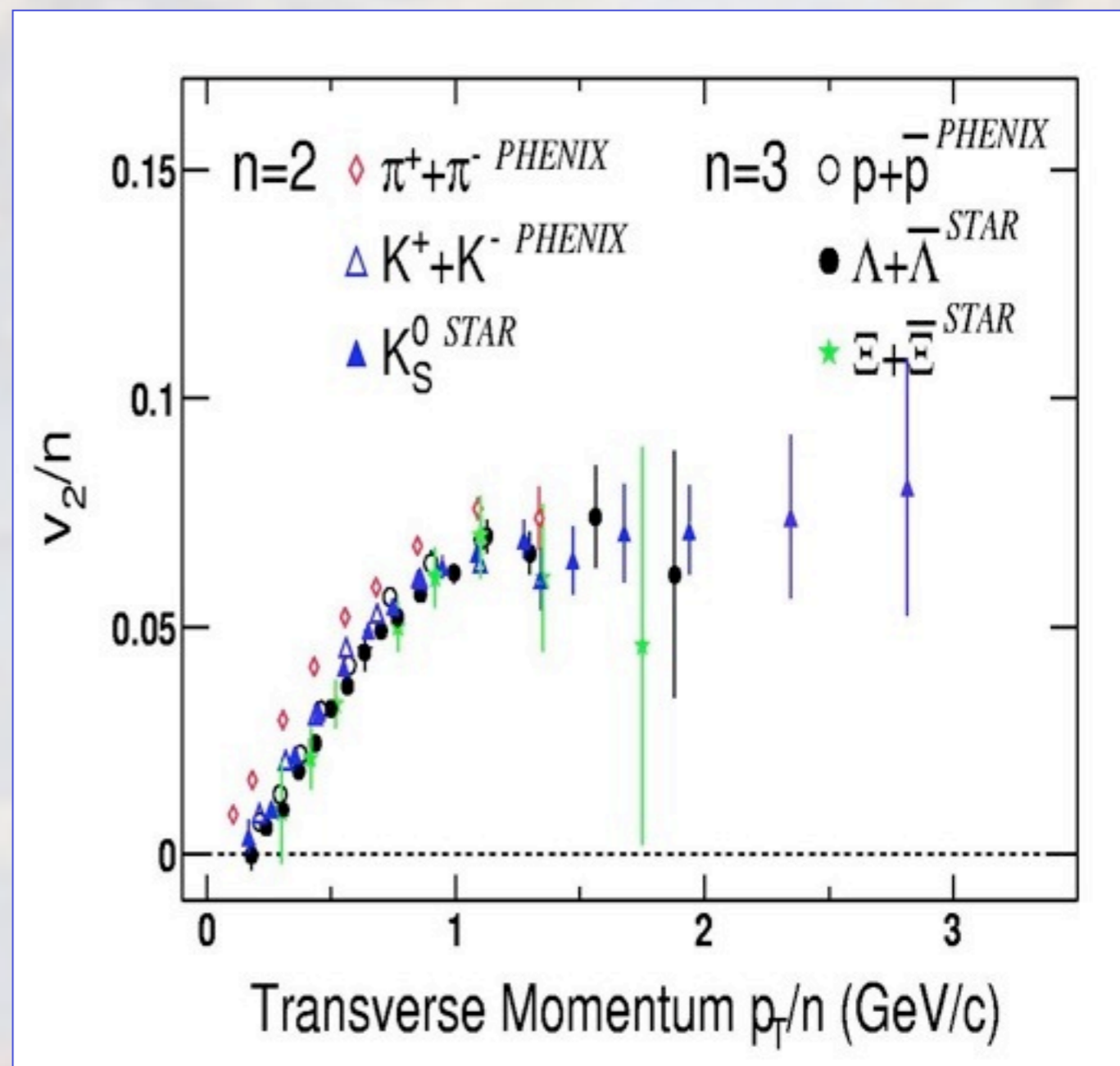
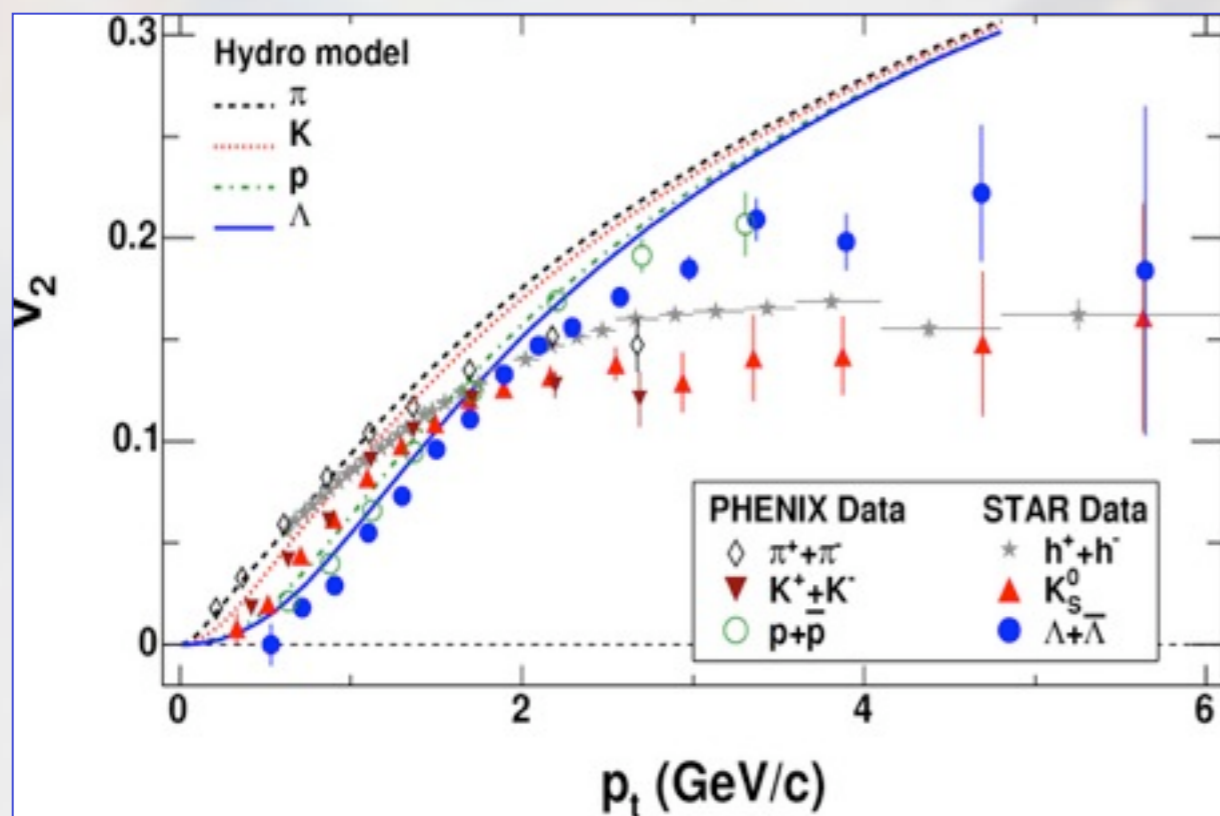


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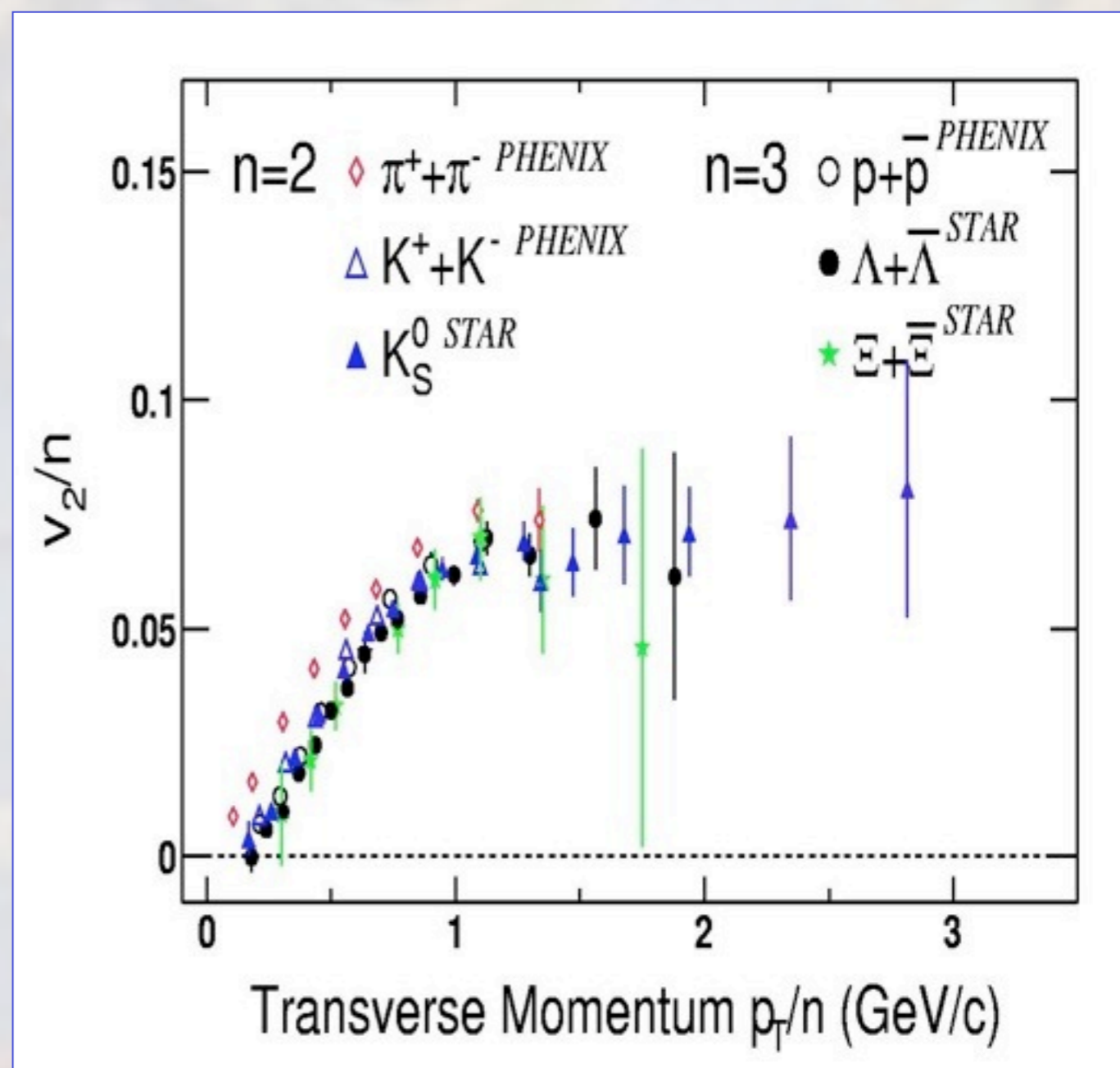
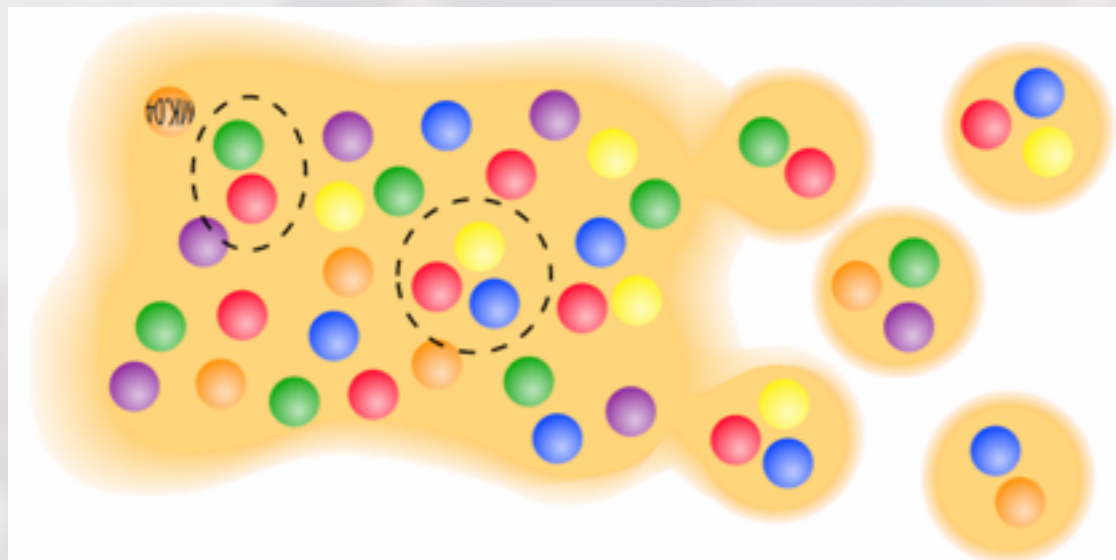
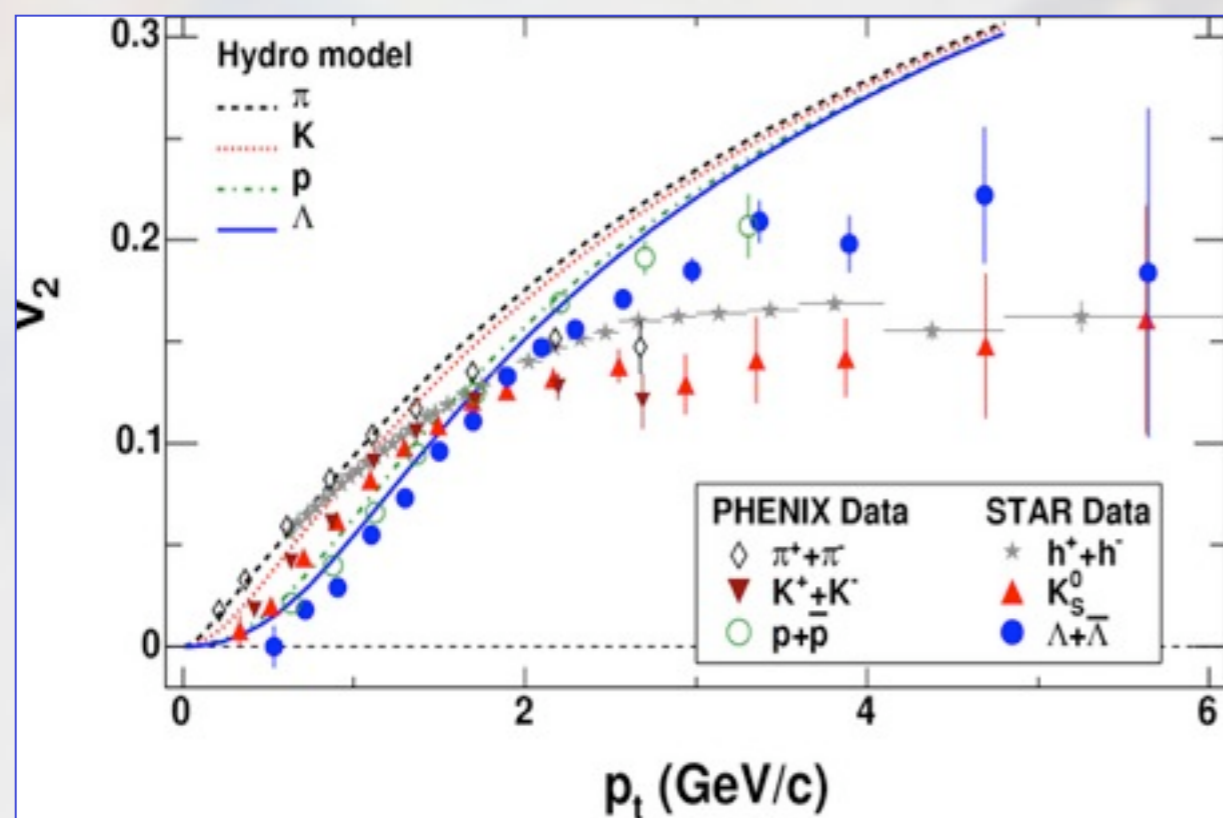


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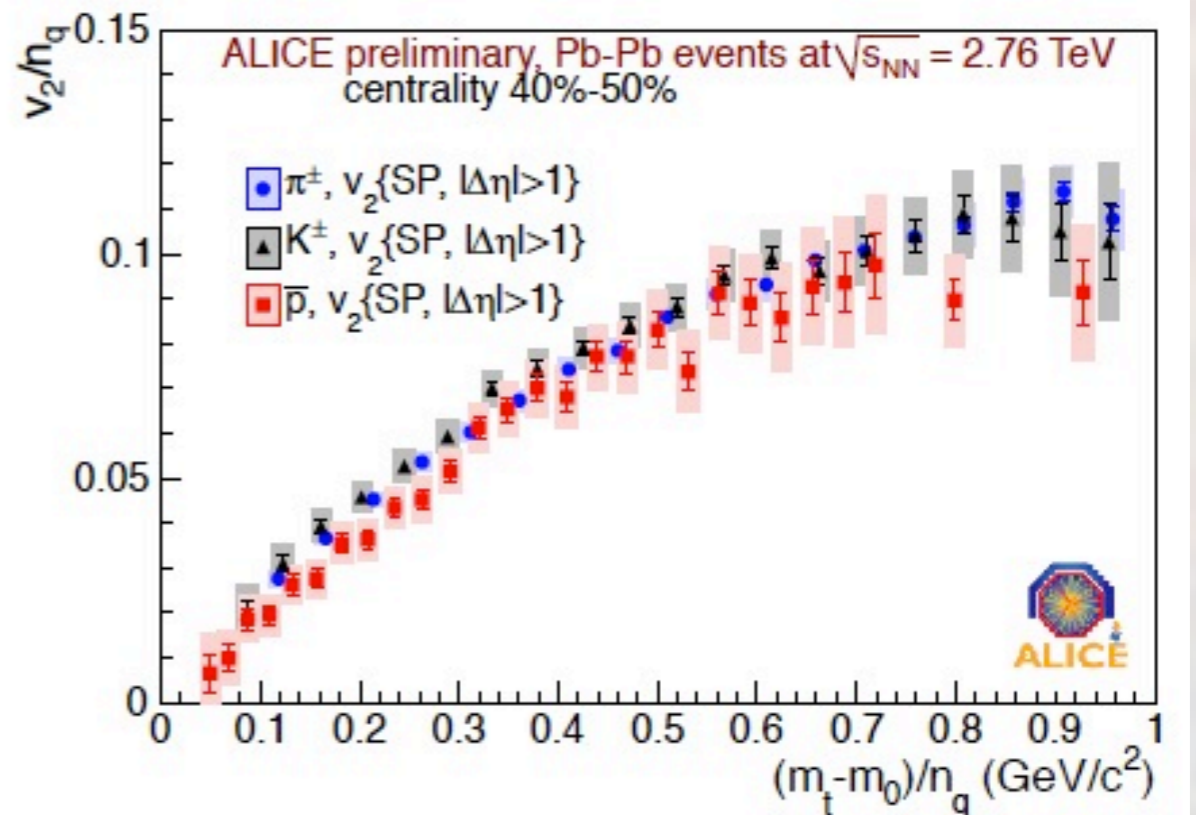
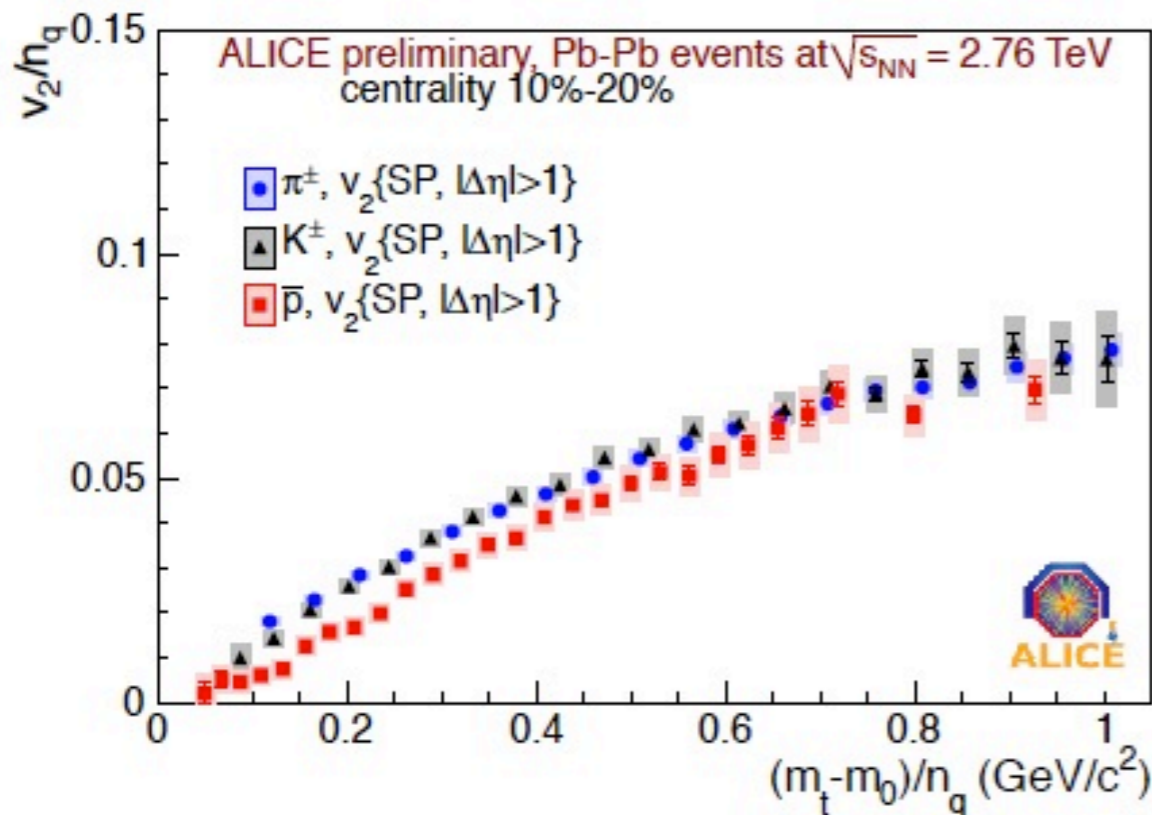
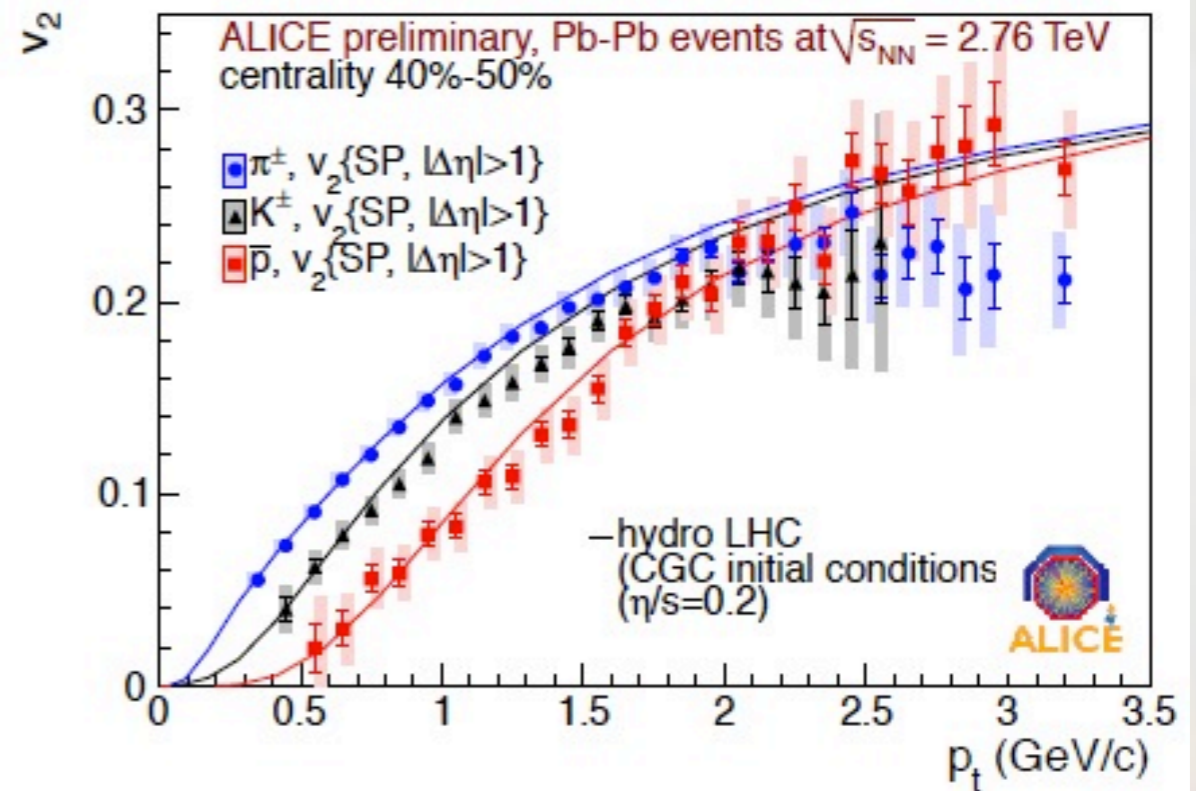
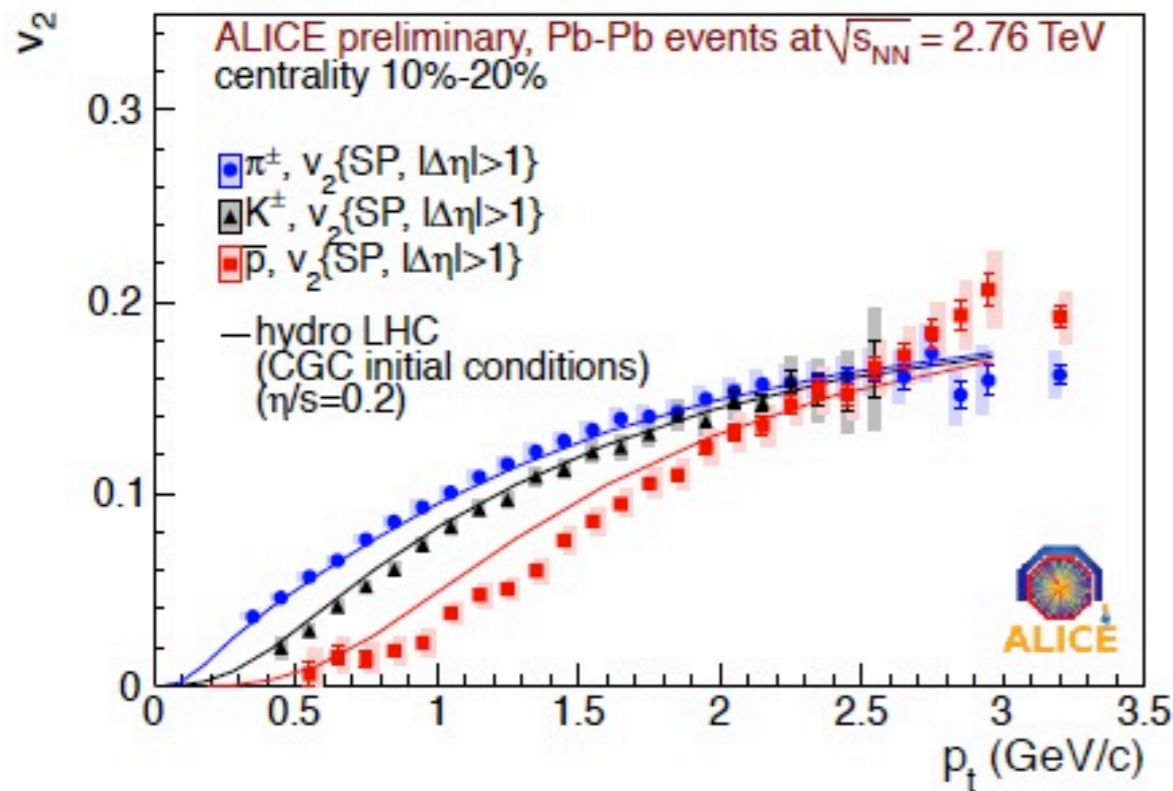
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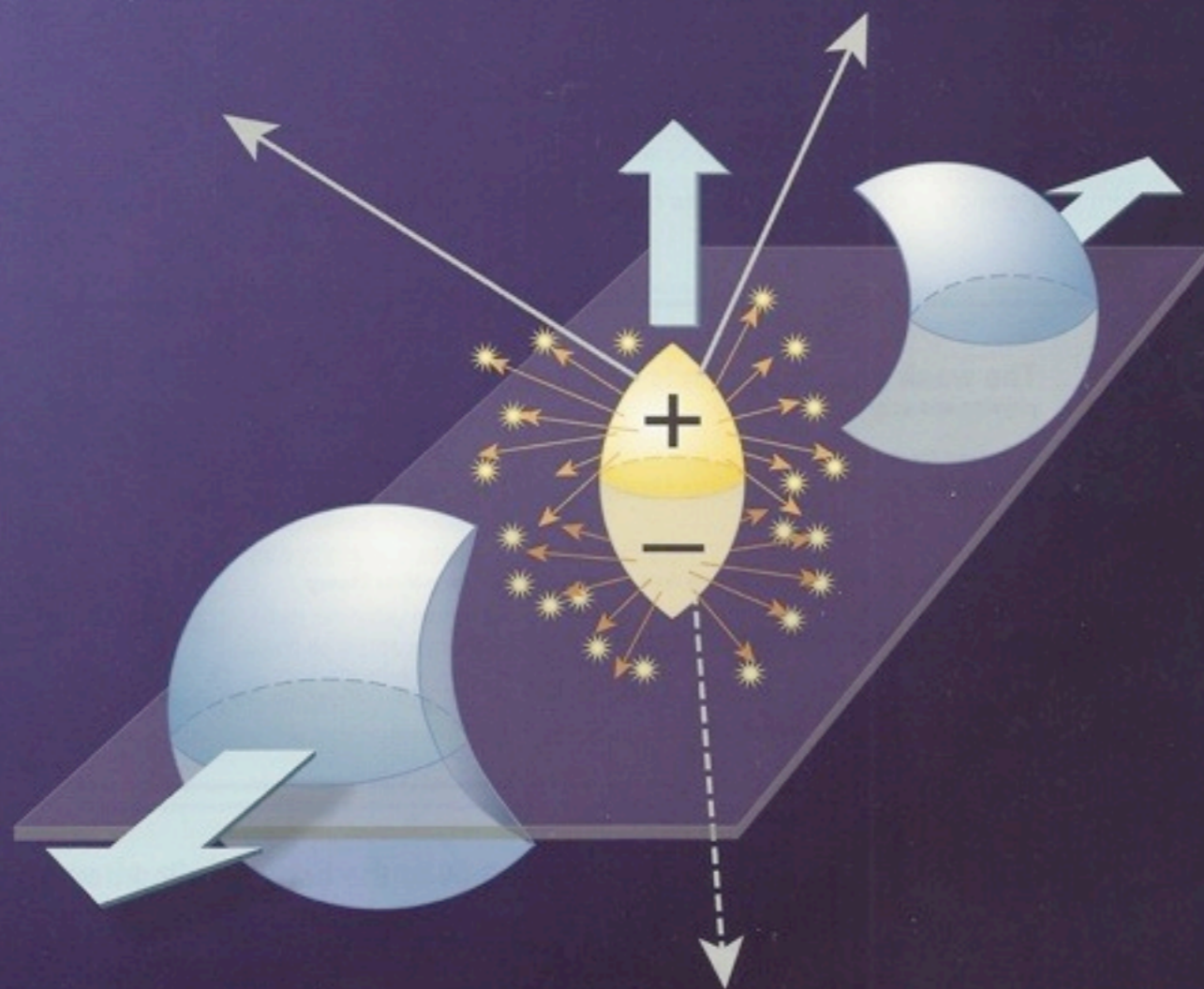


Similarly at LHC, final analysis in progress.

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When two nuclei collide, their velocity vectors define a reaction plane. The magnetic field created by the moving nuclei leads to a local violation of P and CP symmetry for strongly interacting, electrically charged particles (quarks). Fluctuations of the charge symmetry of emitted particles, which have been observed by the STAR Collaboration at RHIC, may therefore be a signature of local parity violation.

See "Looking for parity violation in heavy-ion collisions" by B. Müller <http://physics.aps.org/articles/v2/104>
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Chiral Magnetic Effect

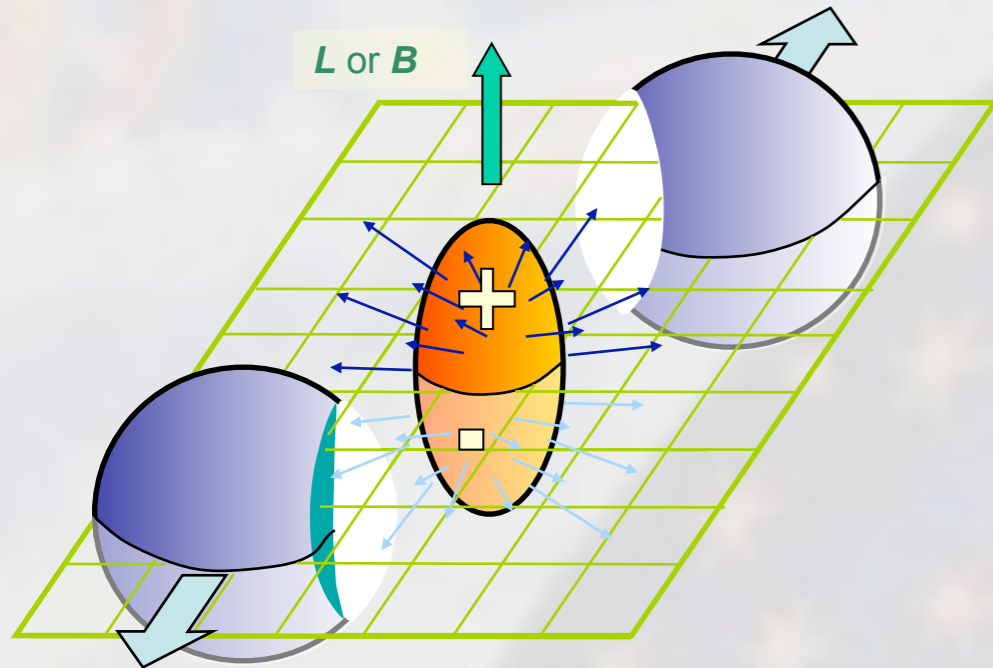
Charge separation along the magnetic field would manifest violation of parity (mirror symmetry)

Kharzeev, PLB633:260 (2006)
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Fukushima, Kharzeev, Warringa, PRD 78:074033 (2008)

Voloshin PRC70:057901 (2004)

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Chiral magnetic effect. EDM of QCD matter.



D. Kharzeev / *Physics Letters B* 633 (2006) 260–264

M. Giovannini^(b) and M. E. Shaposhnikov^{(a)1}
*Phys.Rev.D*57:2186-2206,1998.

Charge separation along the orbital momentum:
 EDM of the QCD matter (~ the neutron EDM)
 (Local Parity Violation)

Chiral magnetic effect:

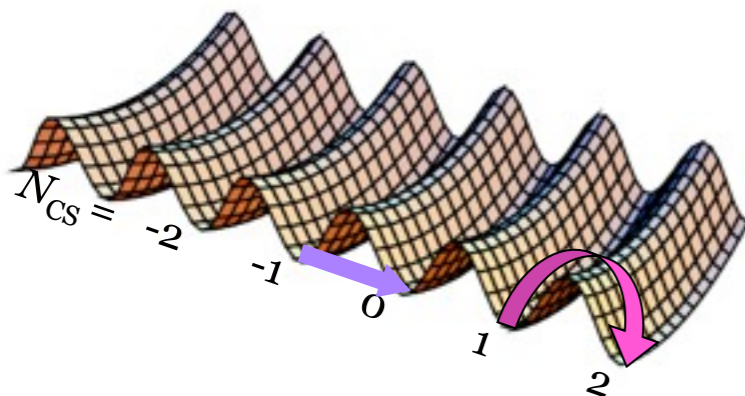
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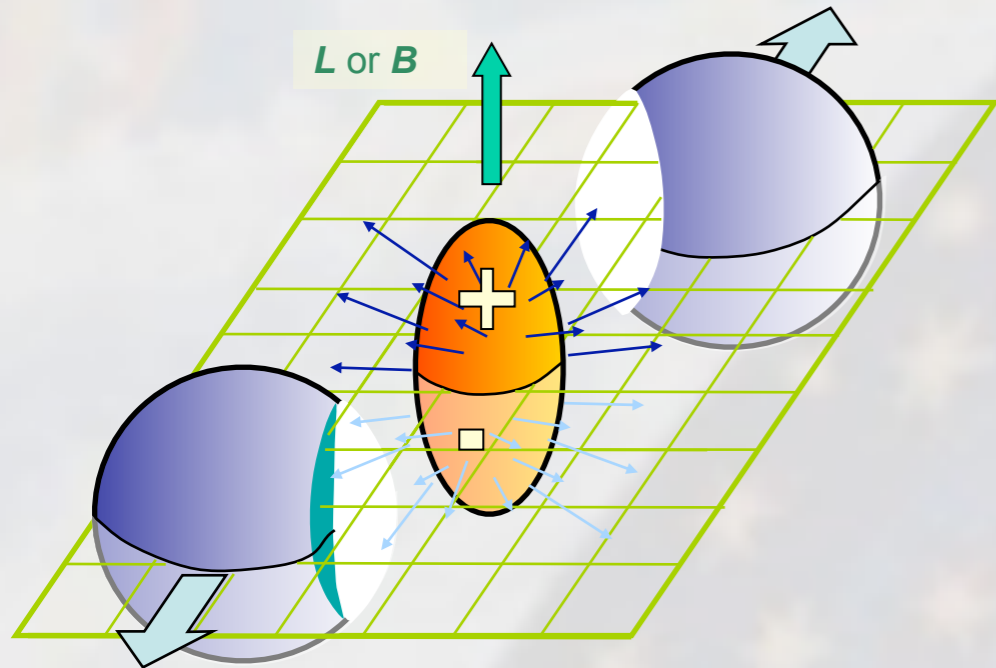
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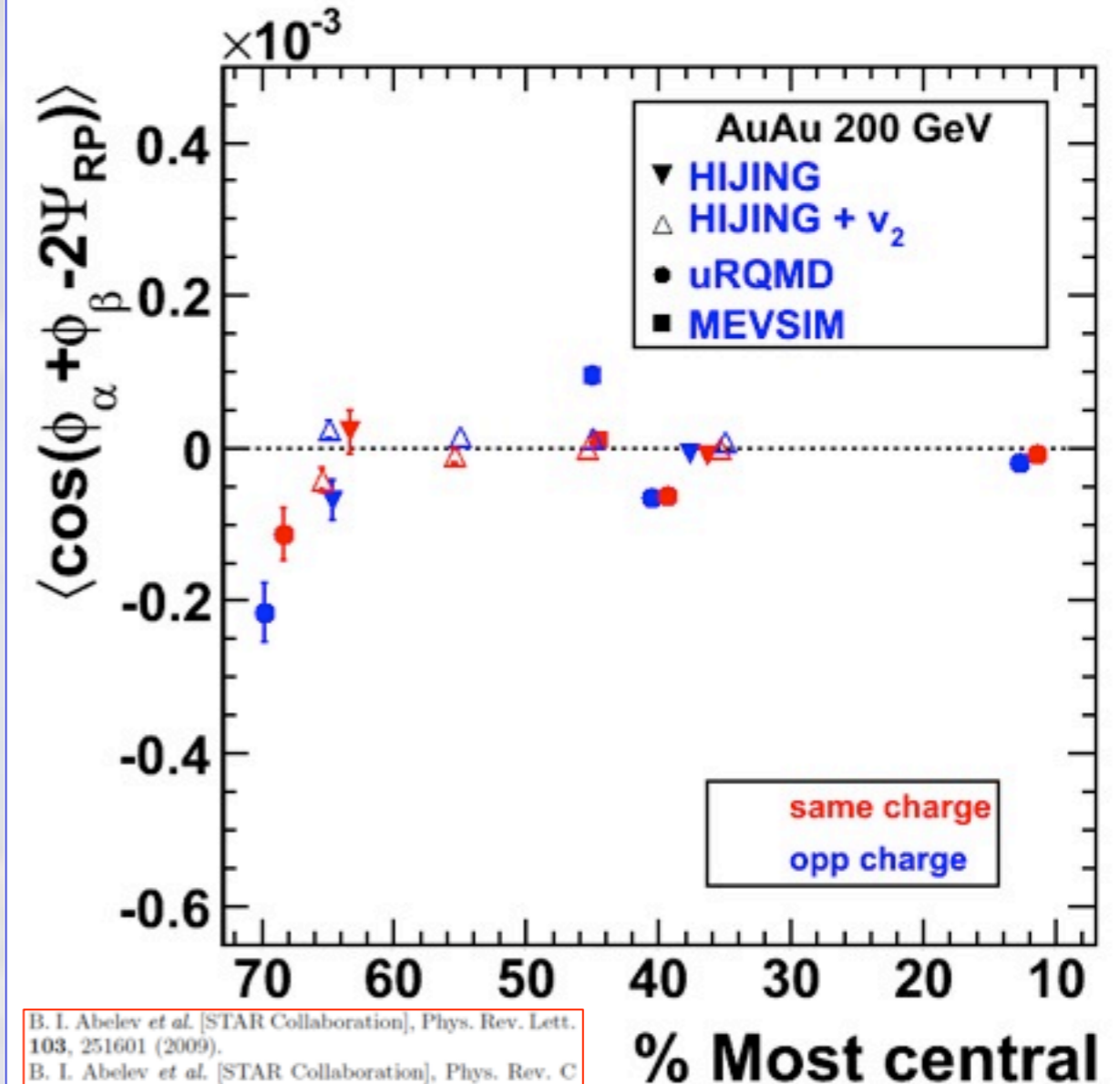
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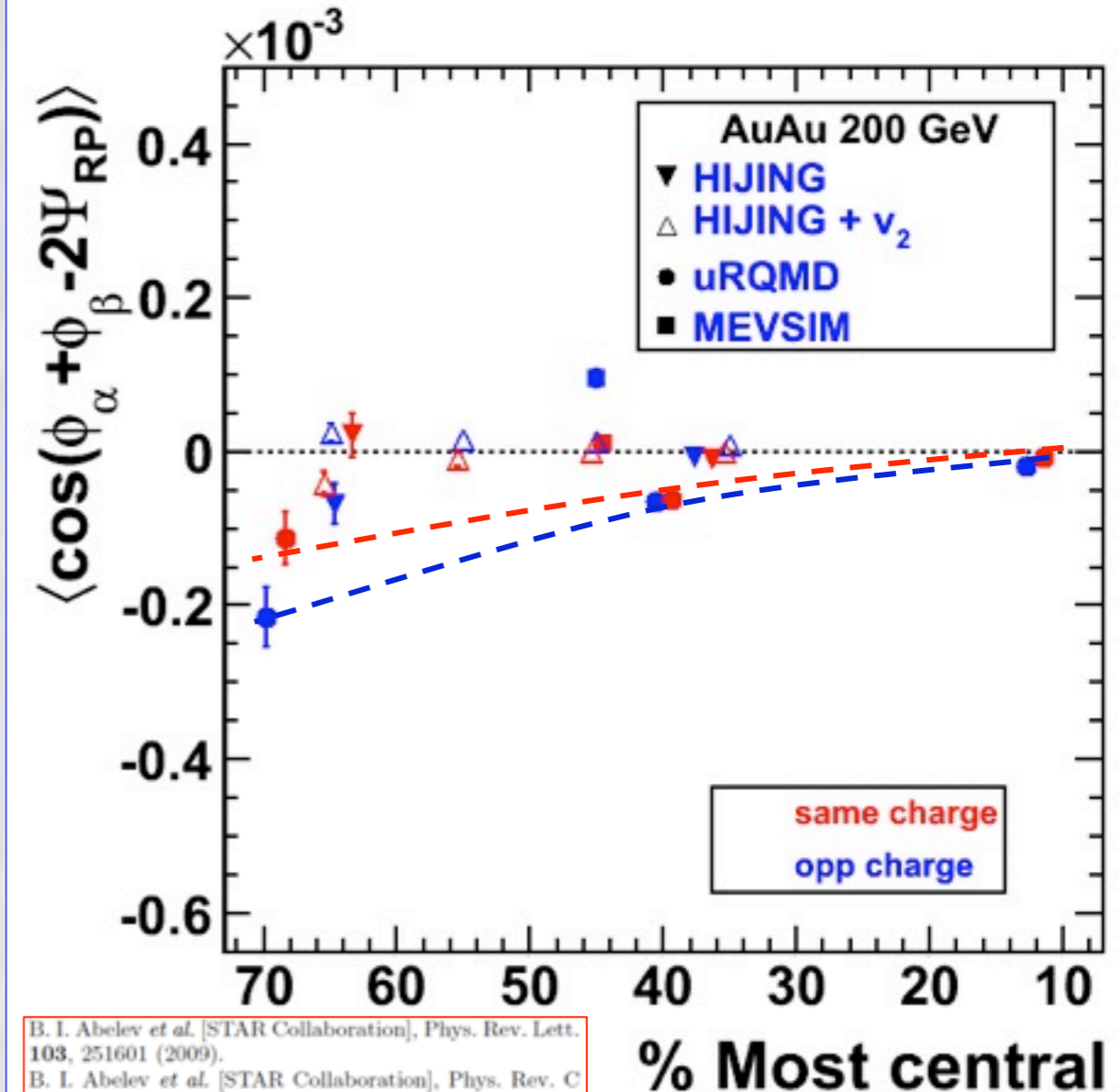
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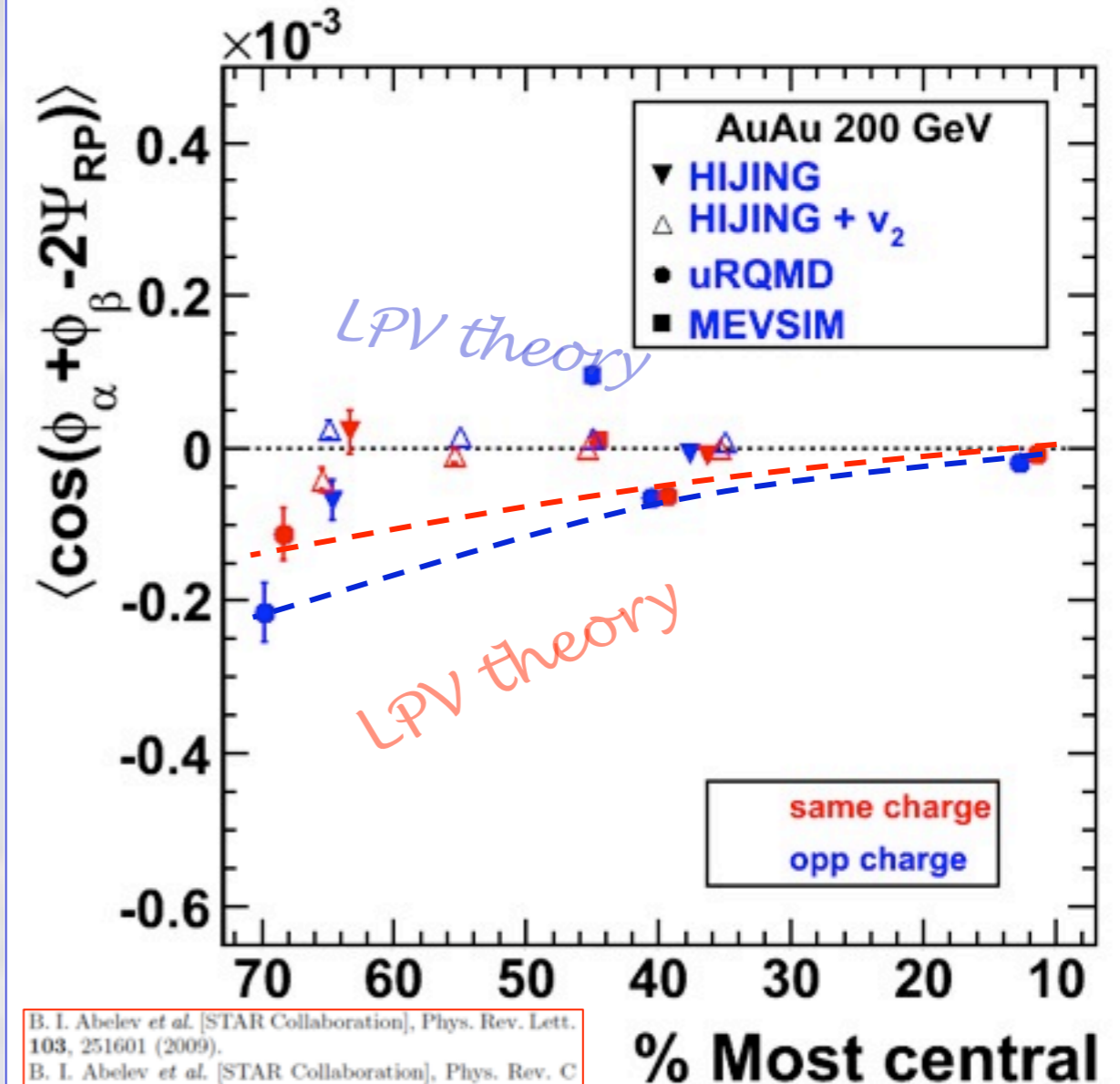
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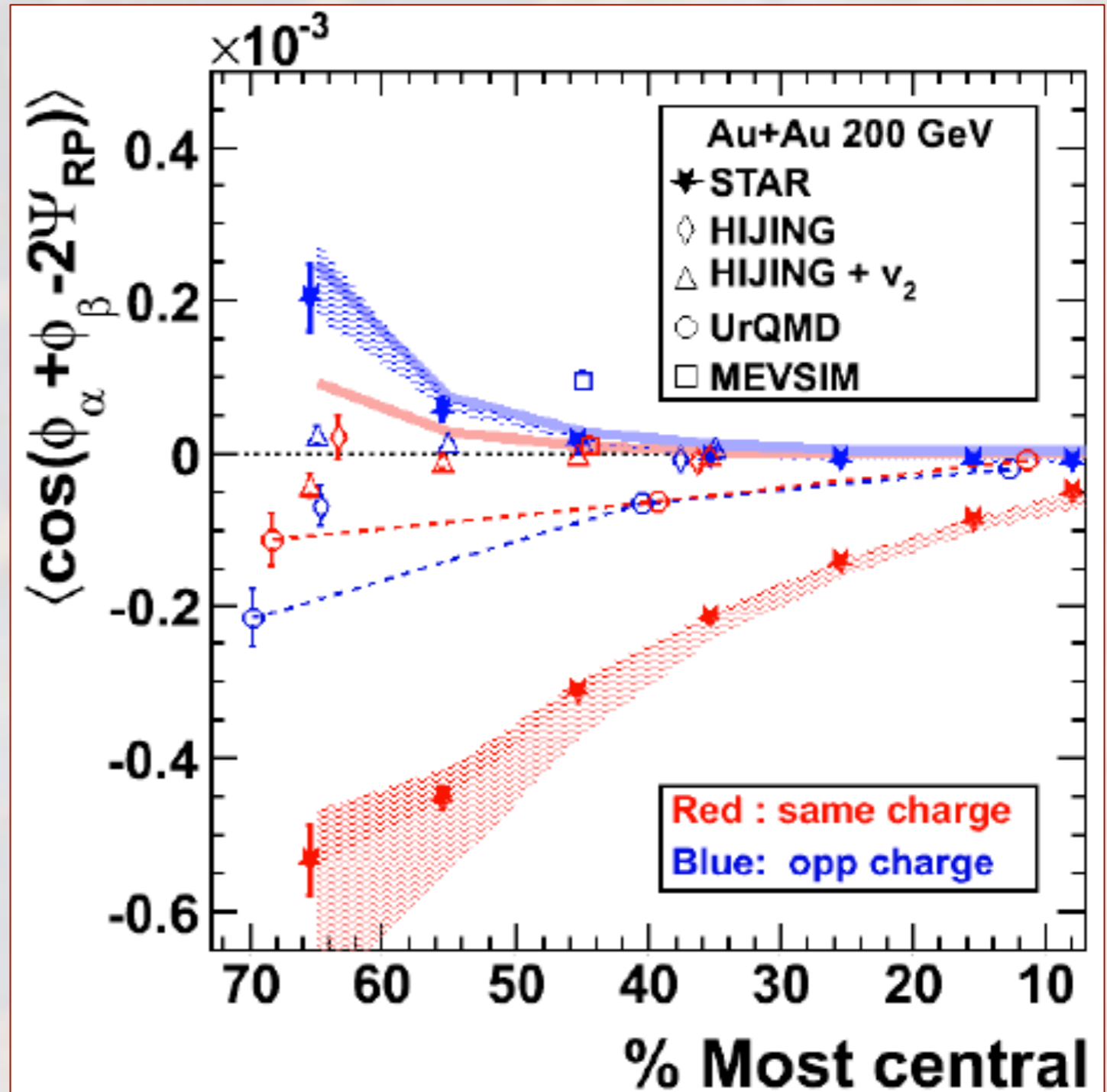
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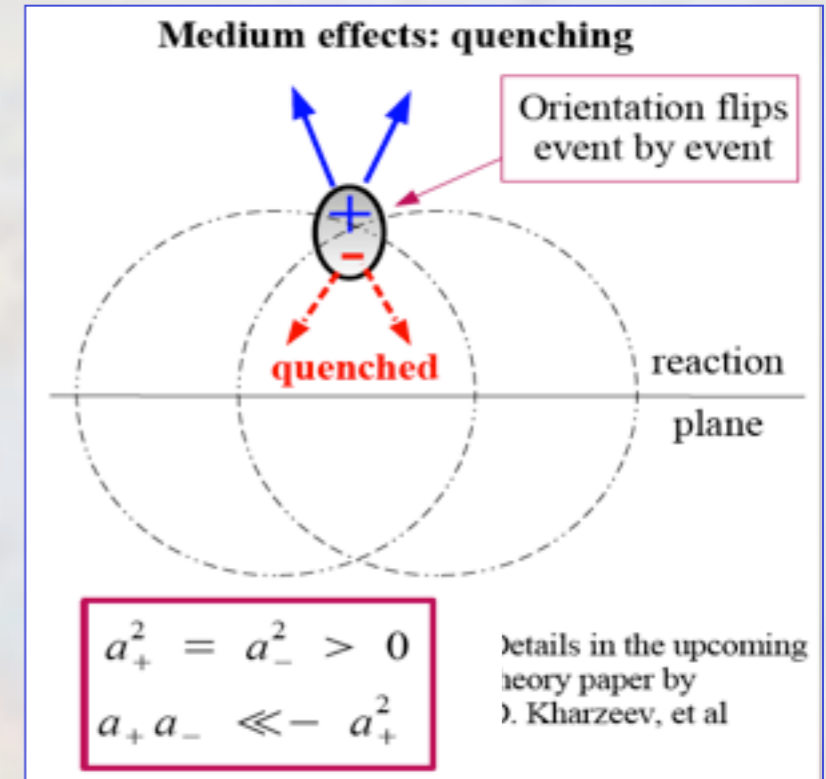
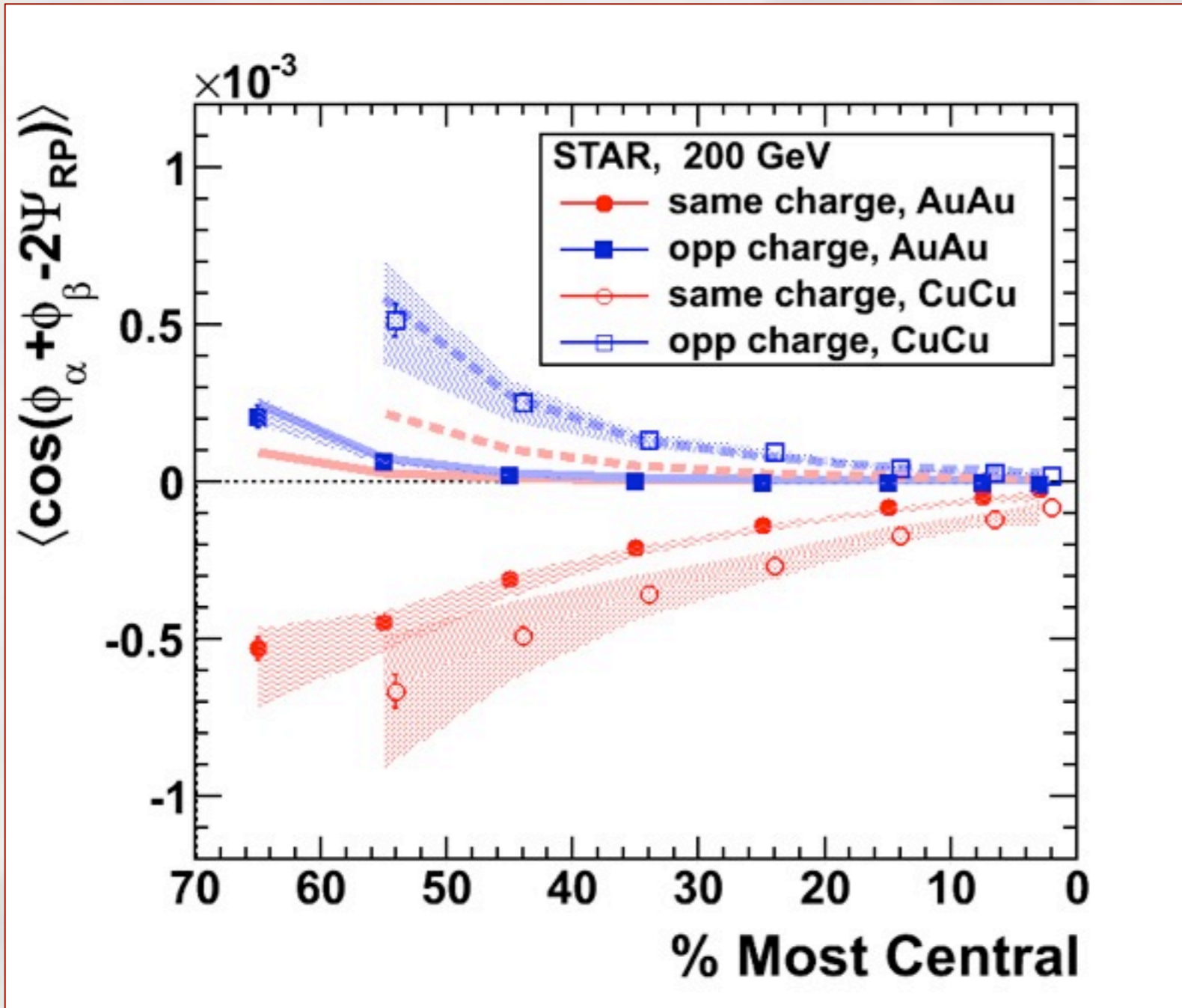
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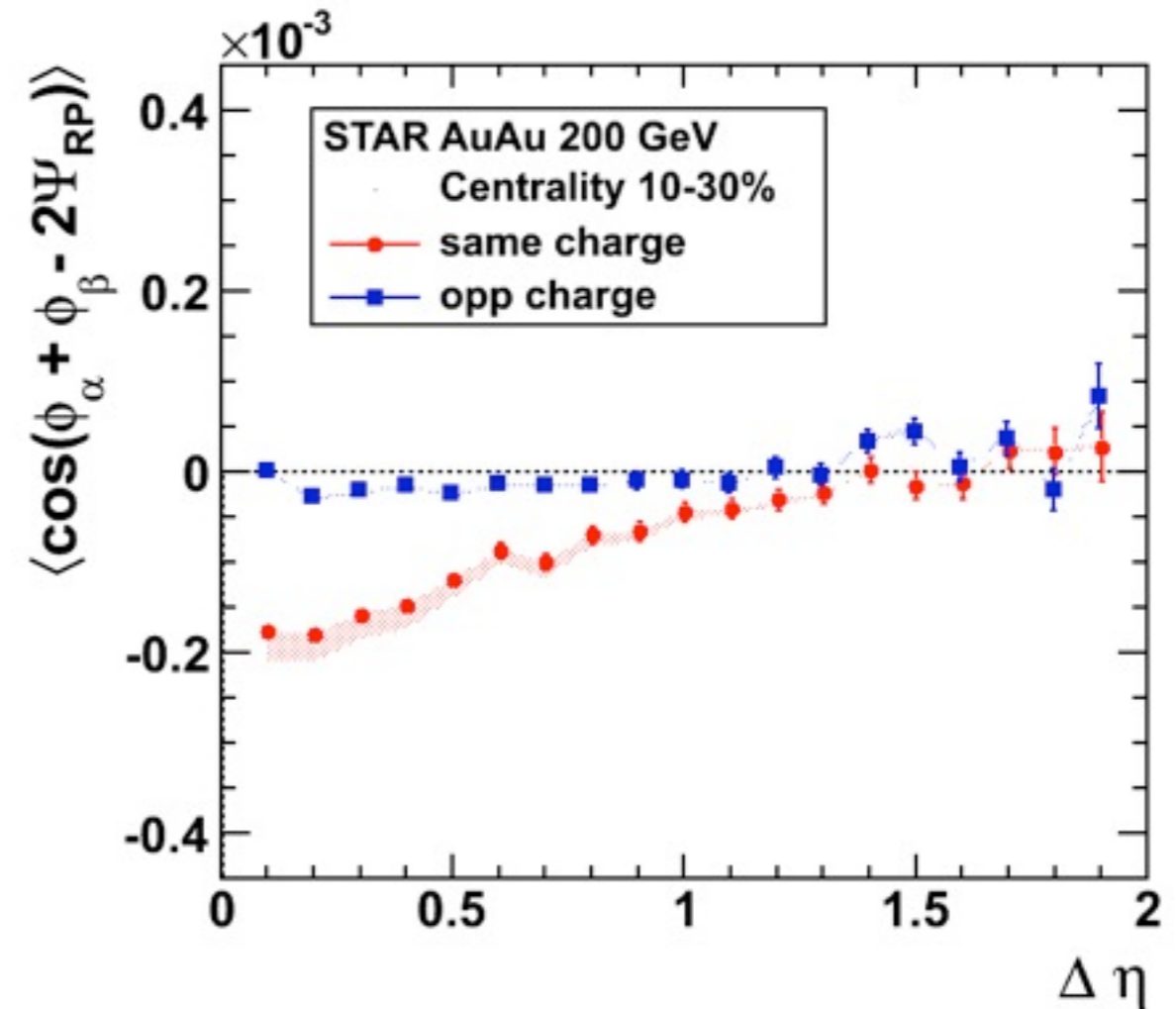
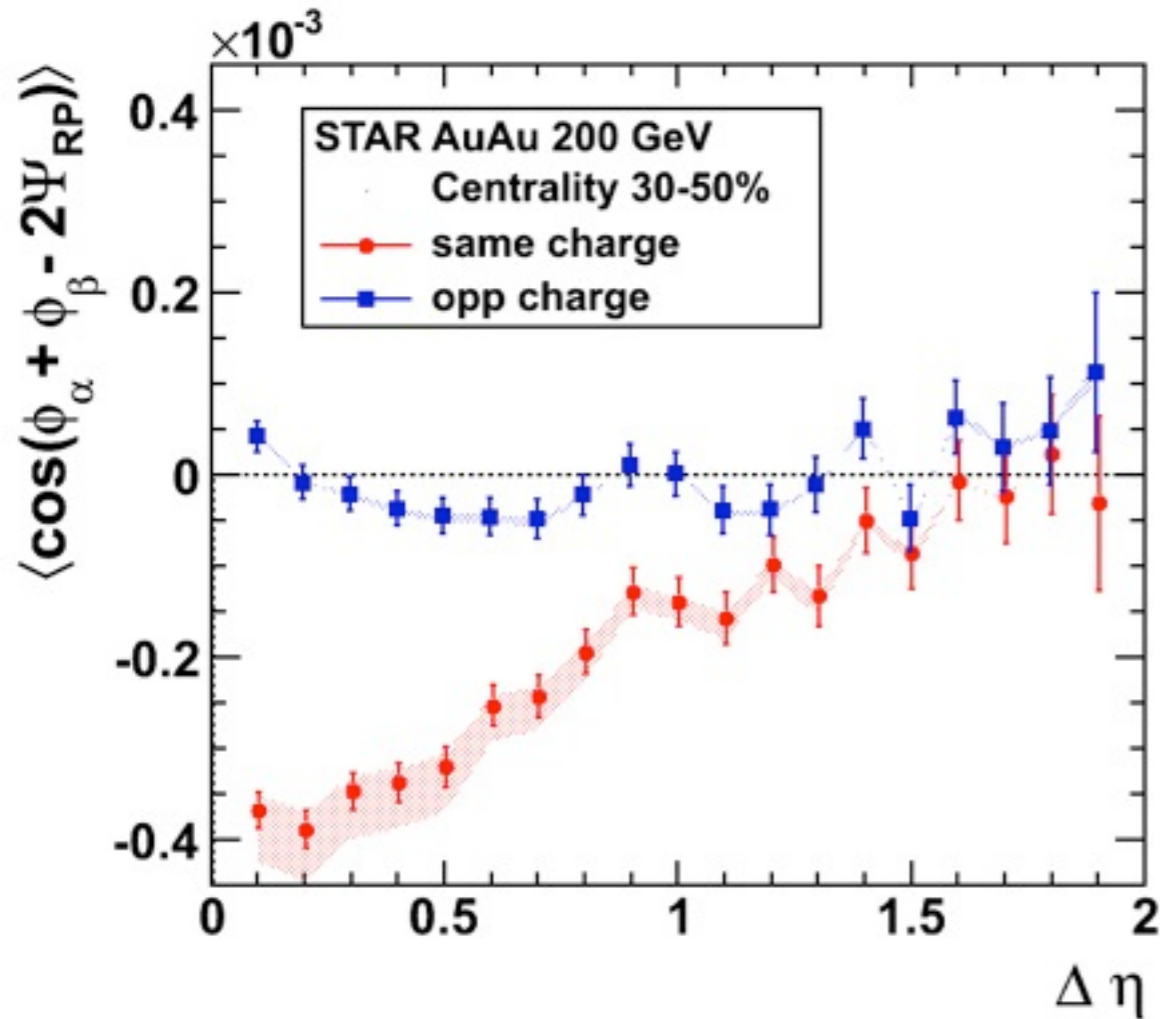
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Au+Au and Cu+Cu @ 200 GeV



+/- signal in Cu+Cu is stronger, qualitatively in agreement with “theory”, but keep in mind large uncertainties due to correlations not related to RP

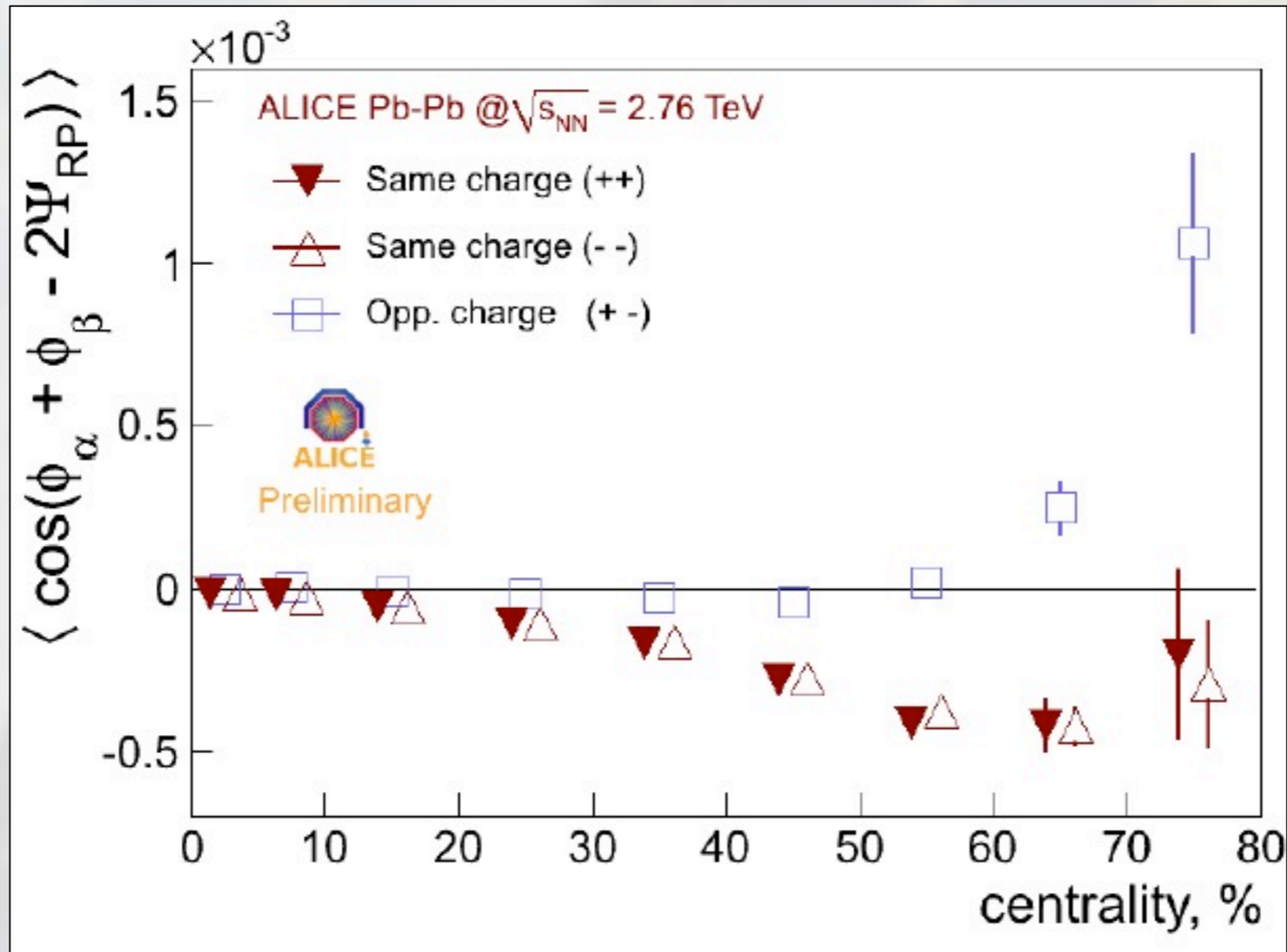
$\Delta\eta$ dependences (AuAu200).



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consistent with “theory”.

Not color flux tubes?

Correlations at large $\Delta\eta$ (and
large Δp_t , see next slide) --
it is not HBT or Coulomb.



ALICE: the signal is very similar to that observed by STAR.

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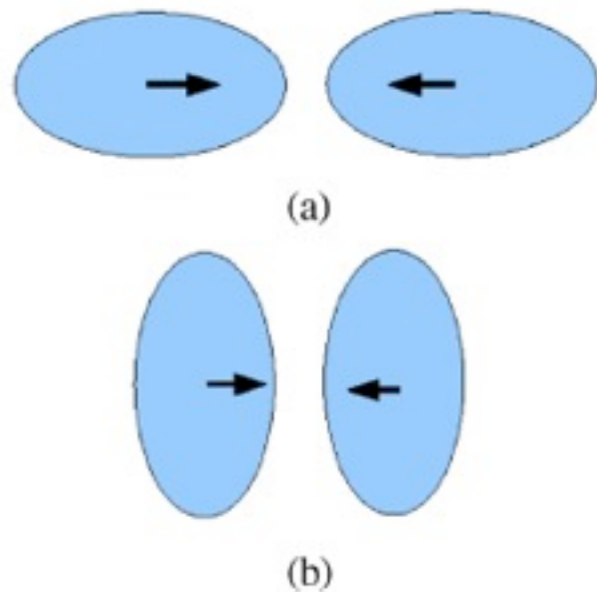


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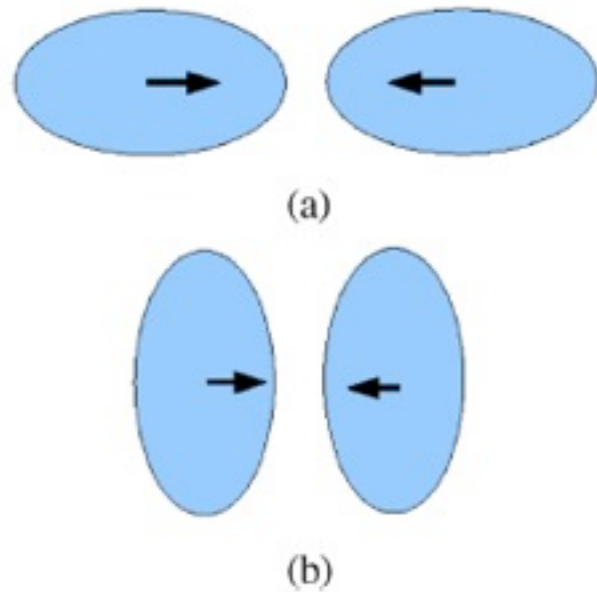


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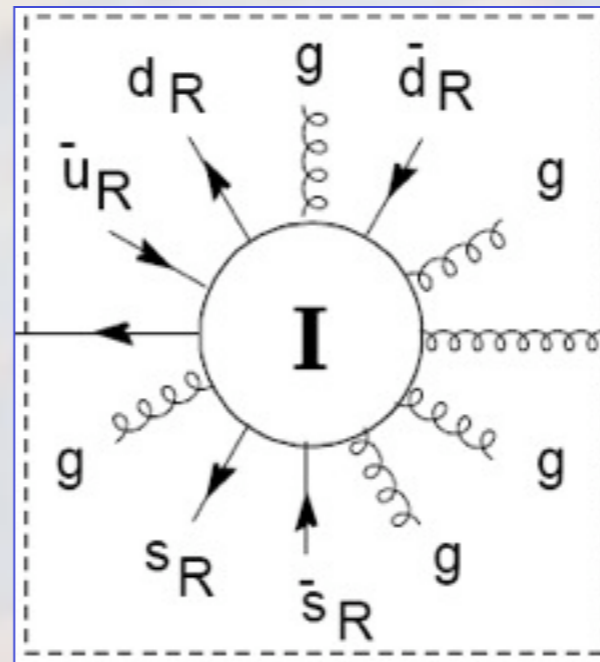
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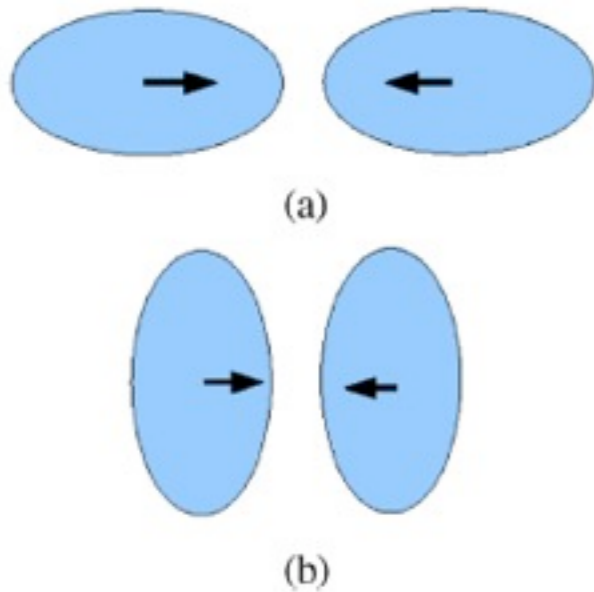


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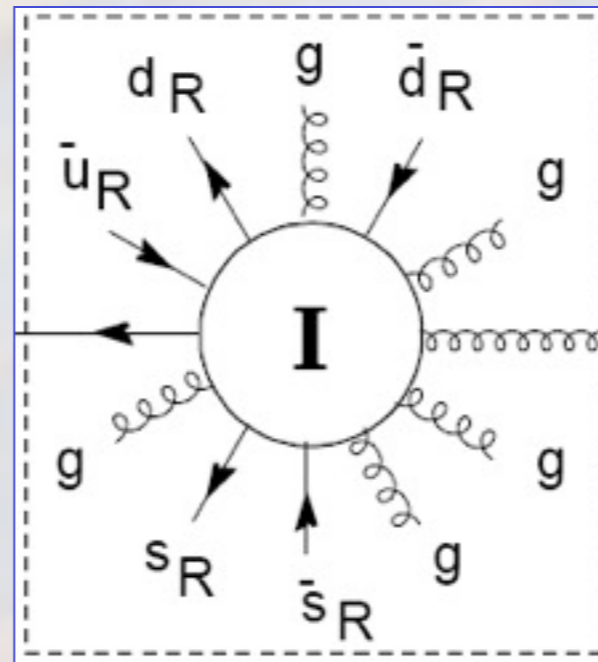
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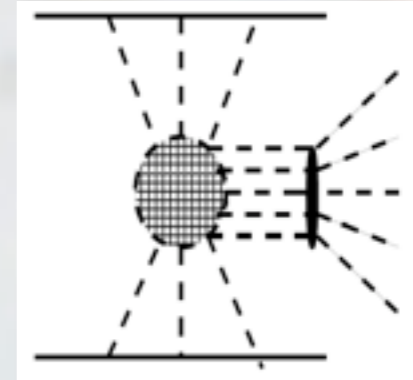
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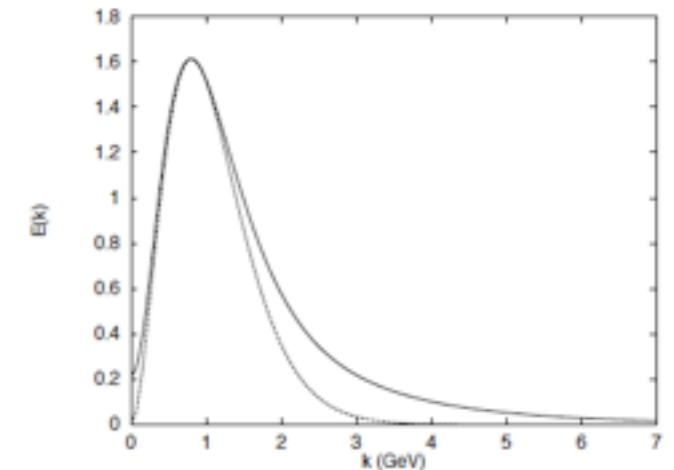


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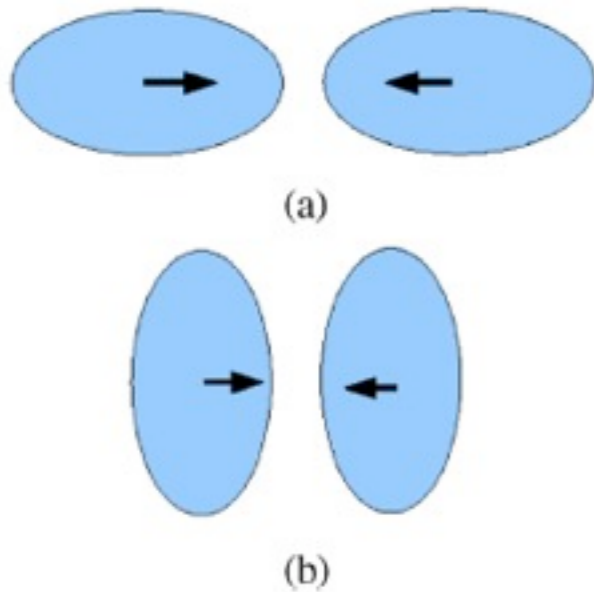


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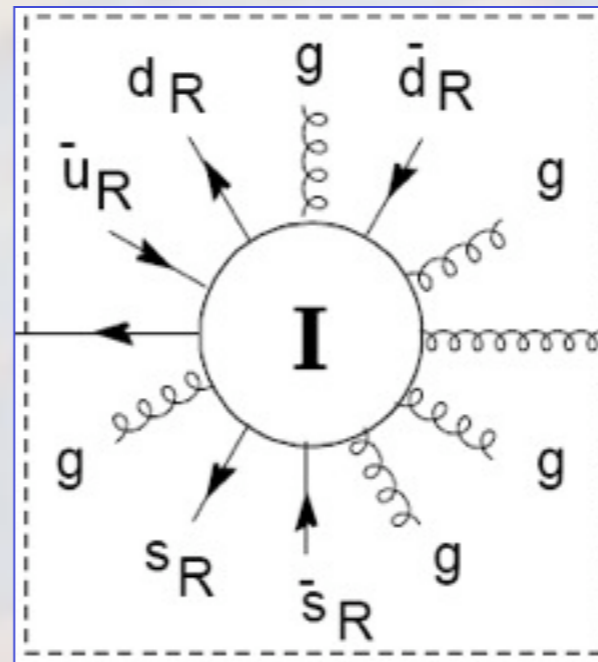
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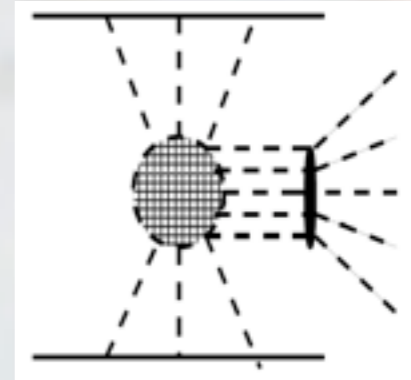
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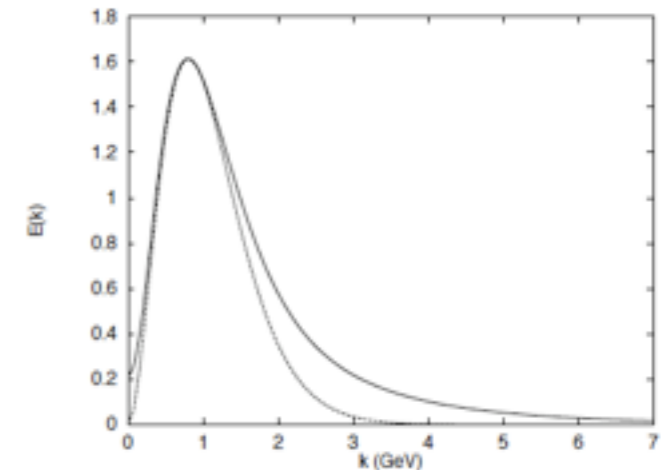
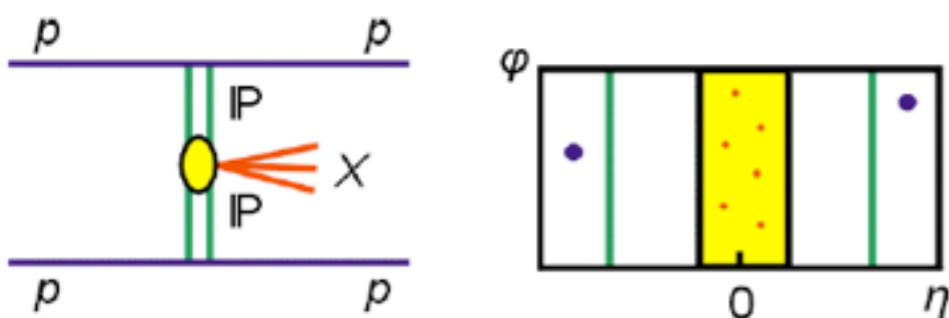


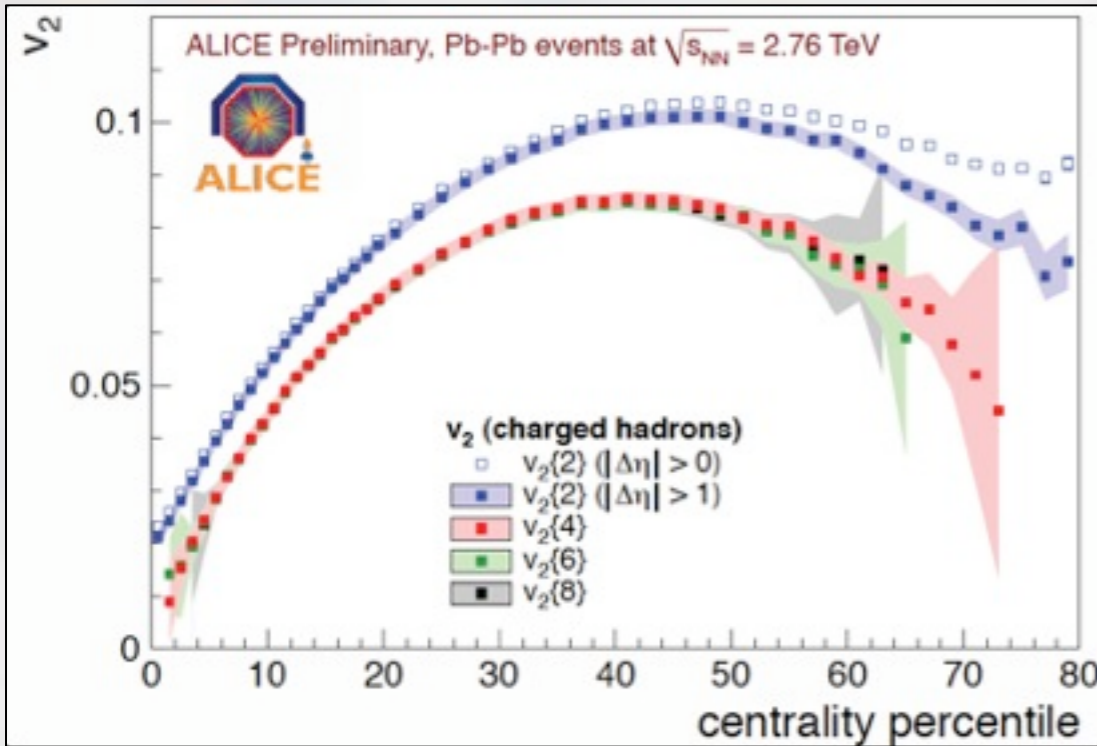
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STAR, pp2pp, phase II

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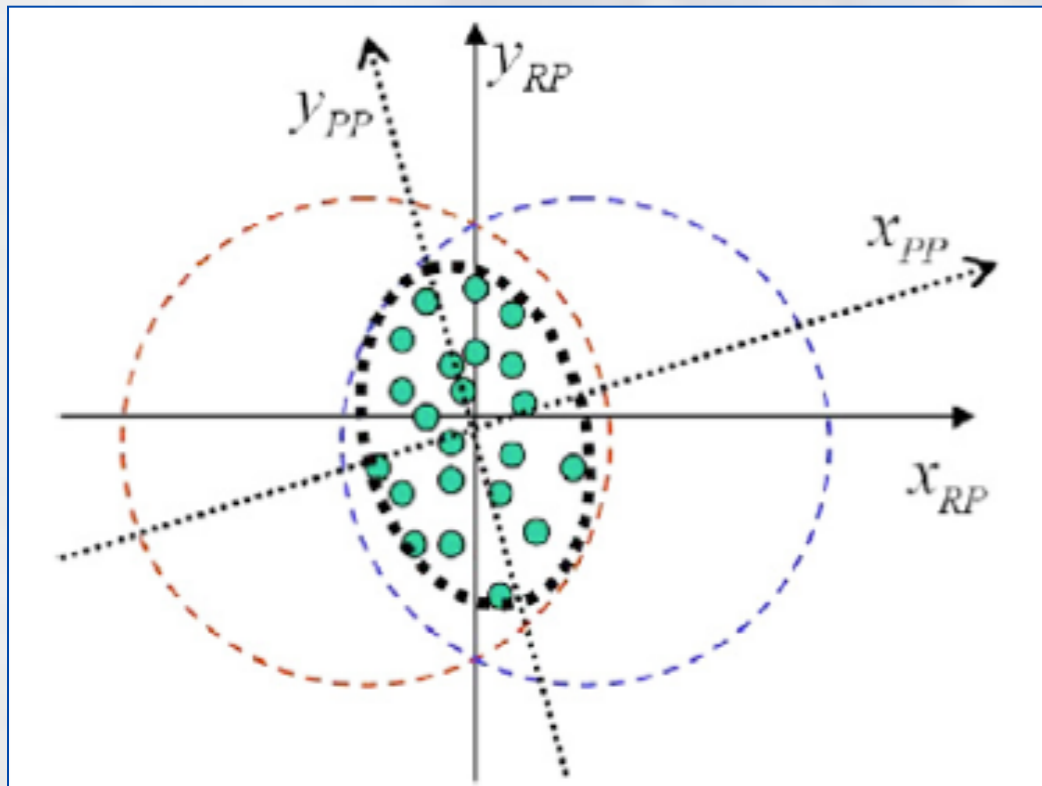
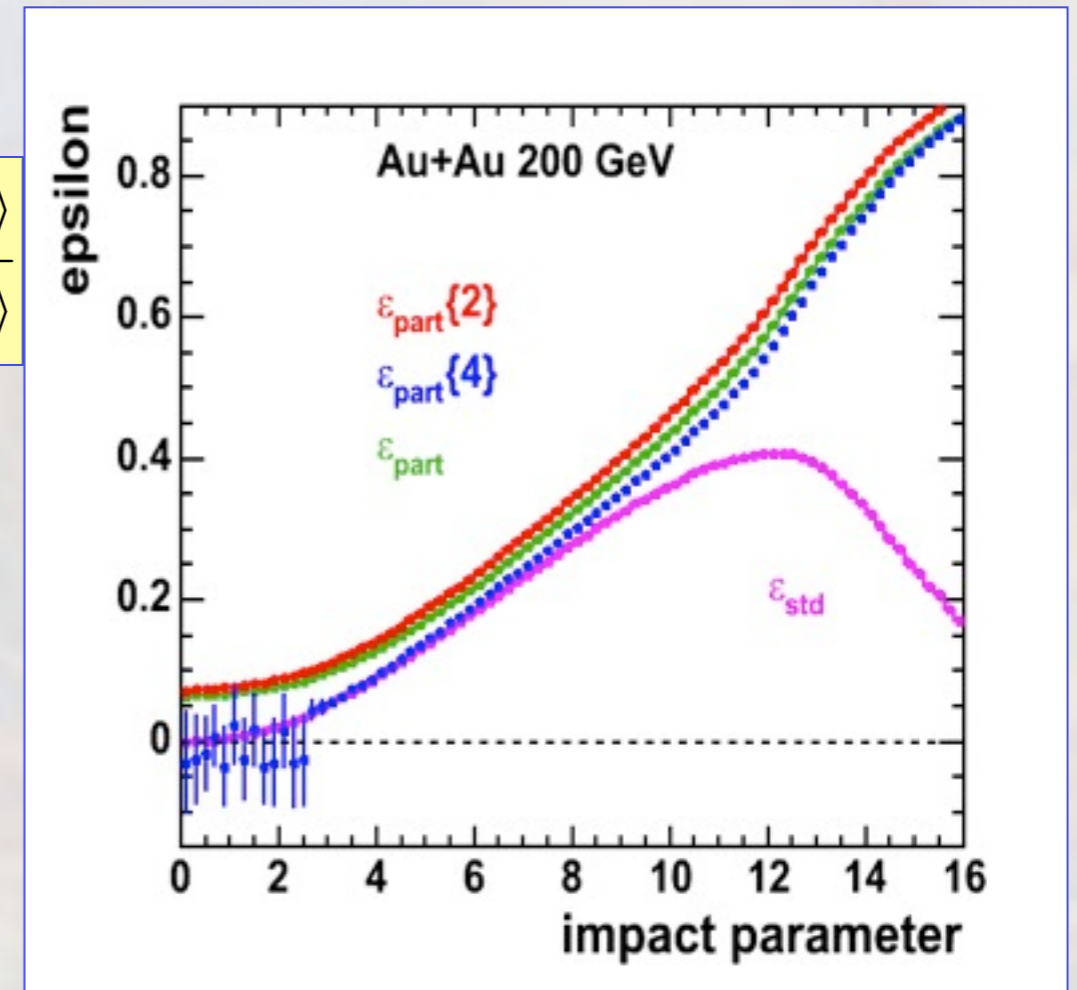
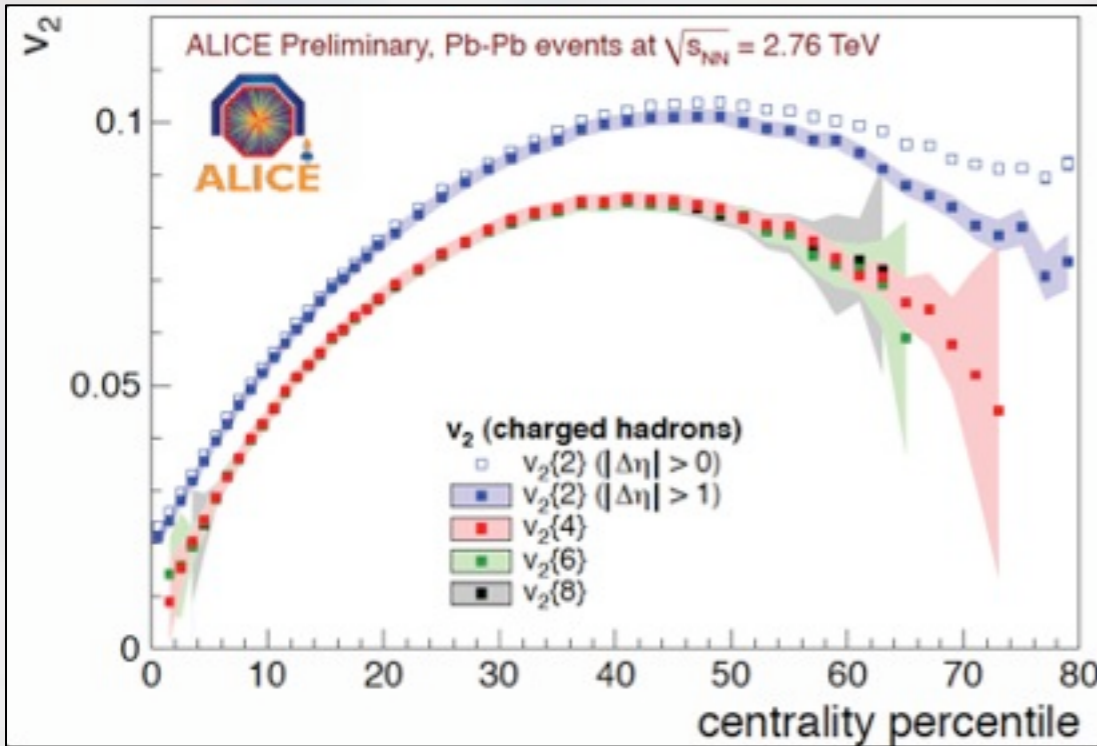


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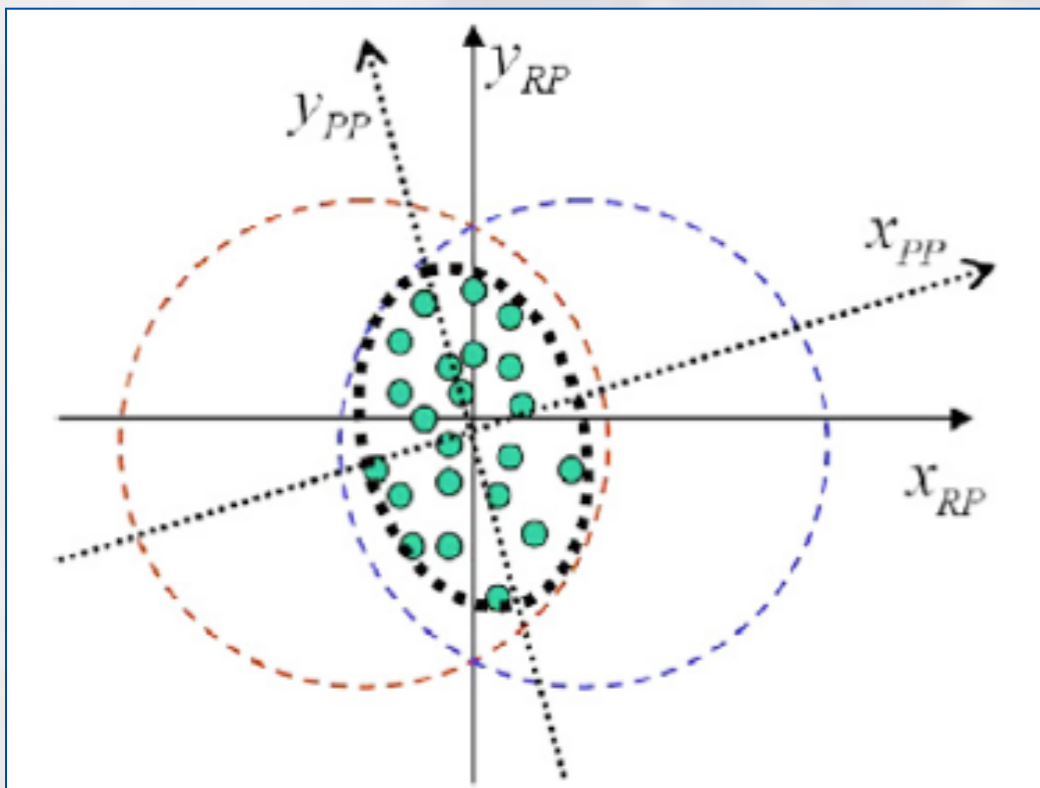
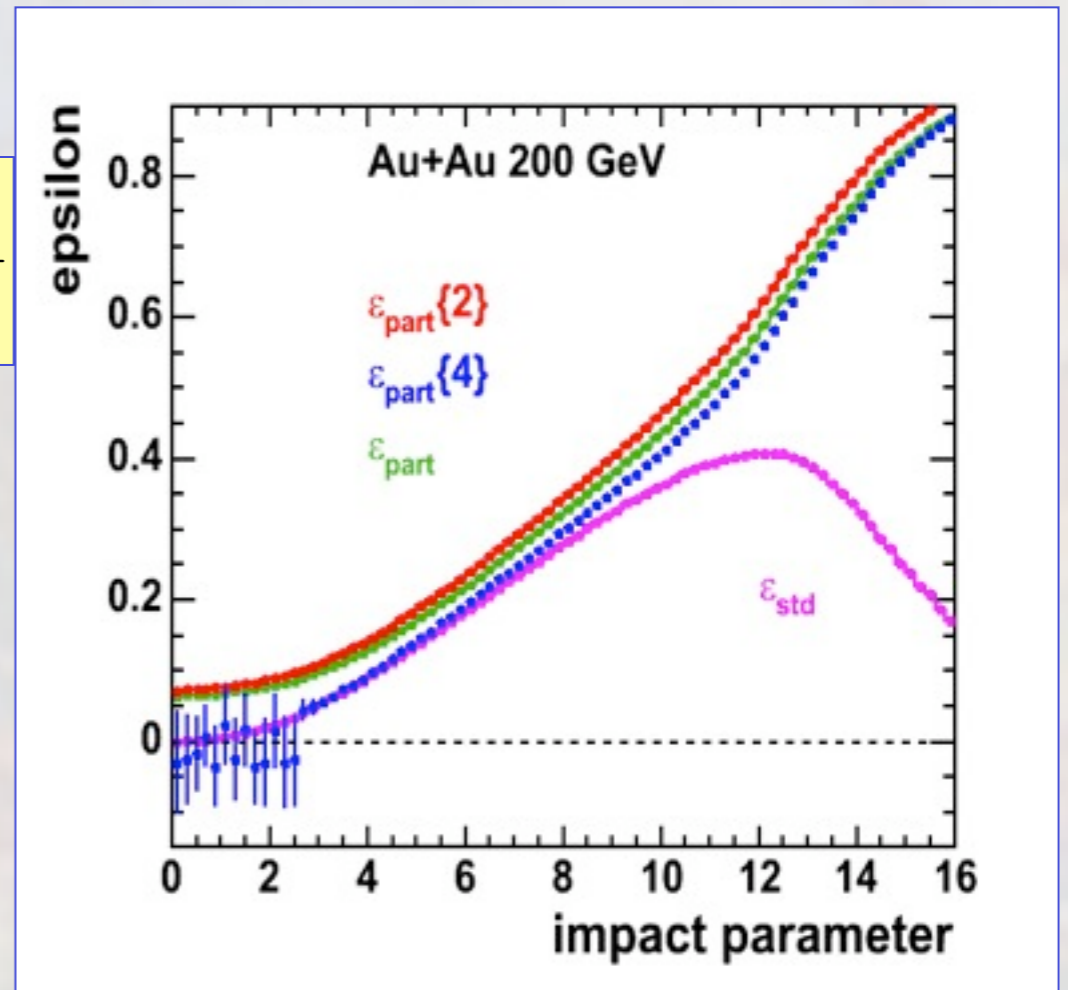
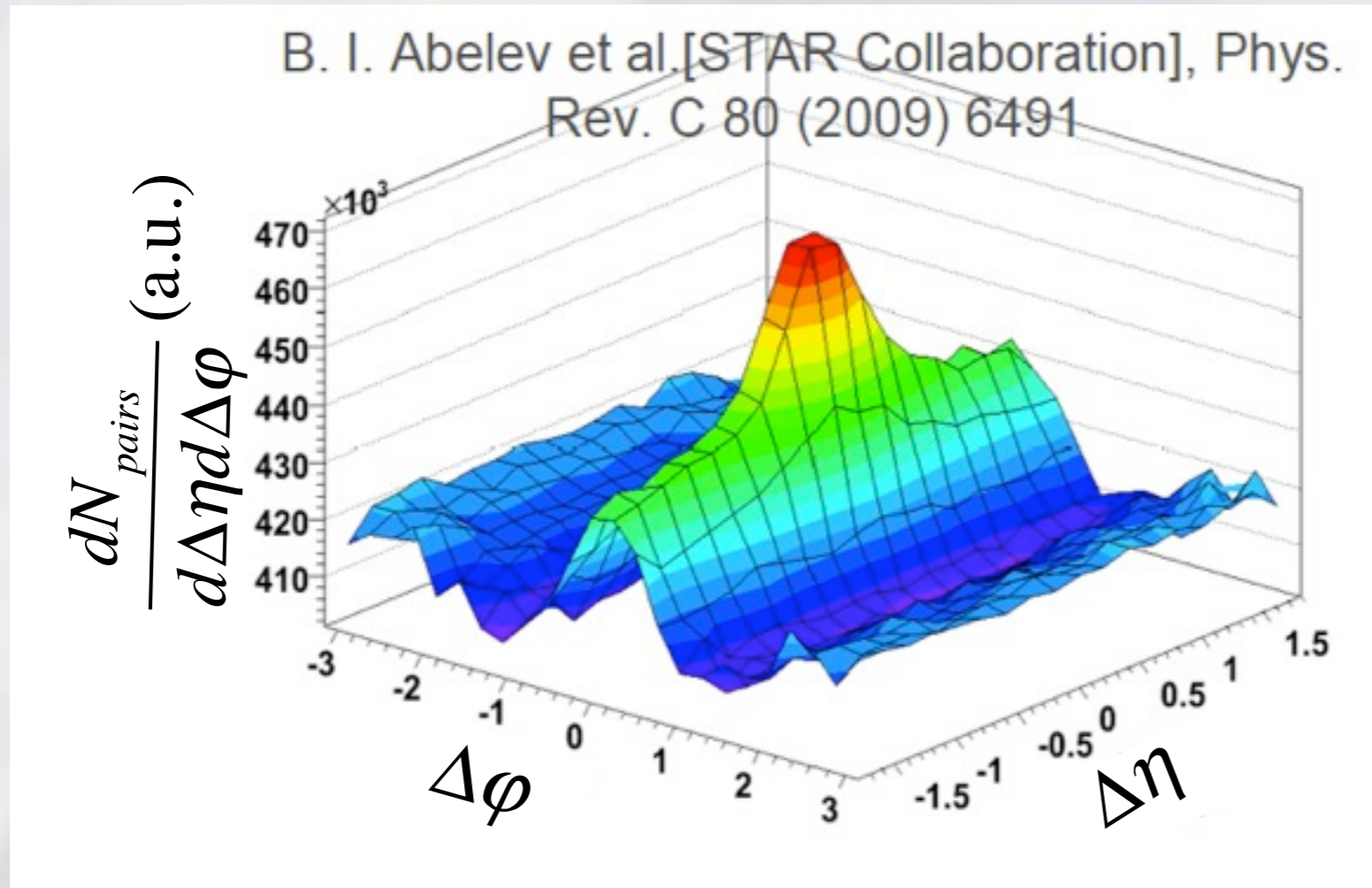


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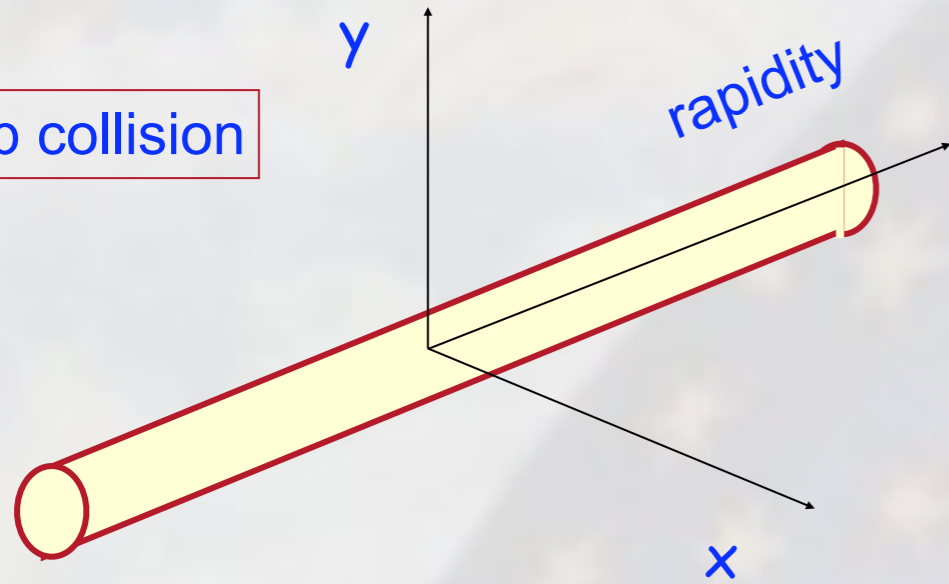


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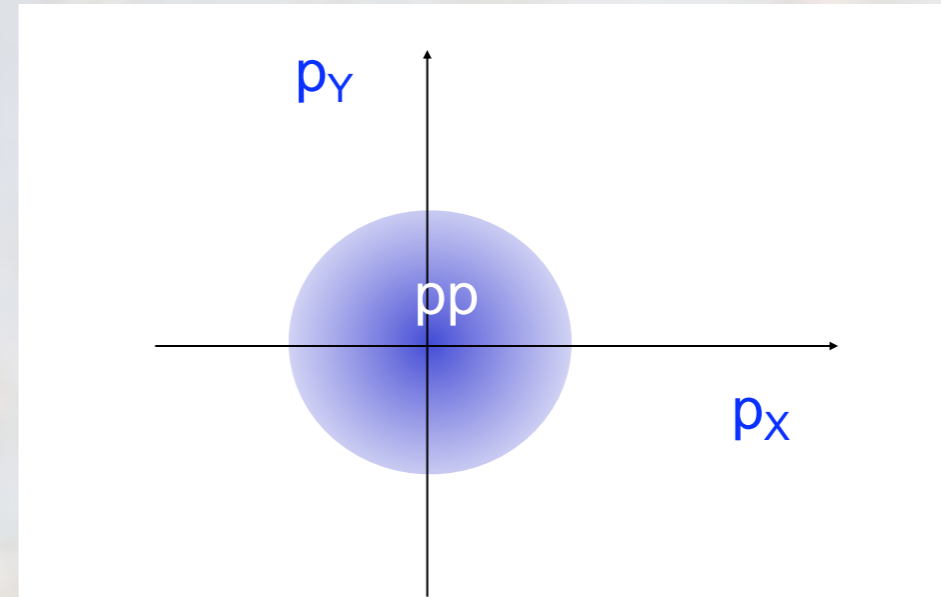
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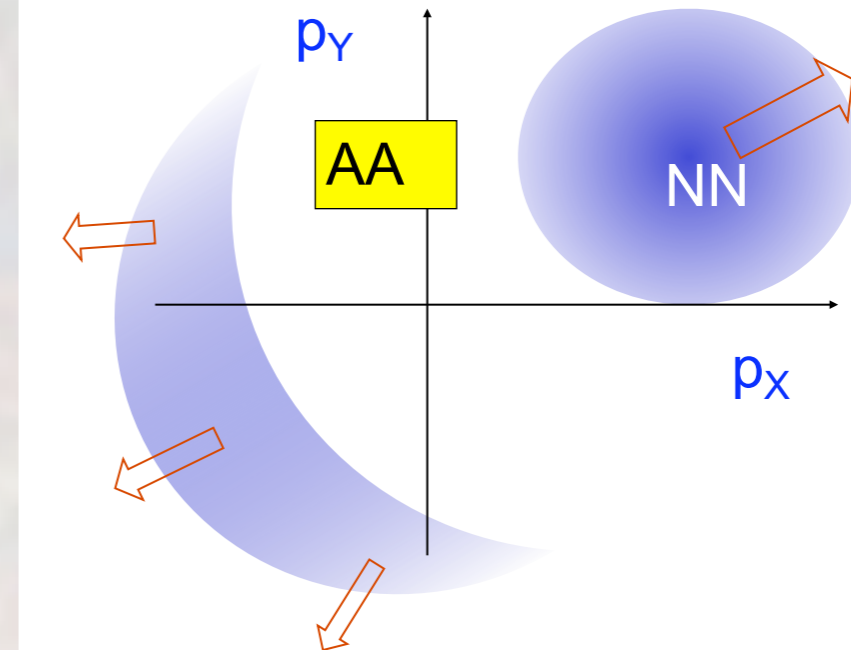
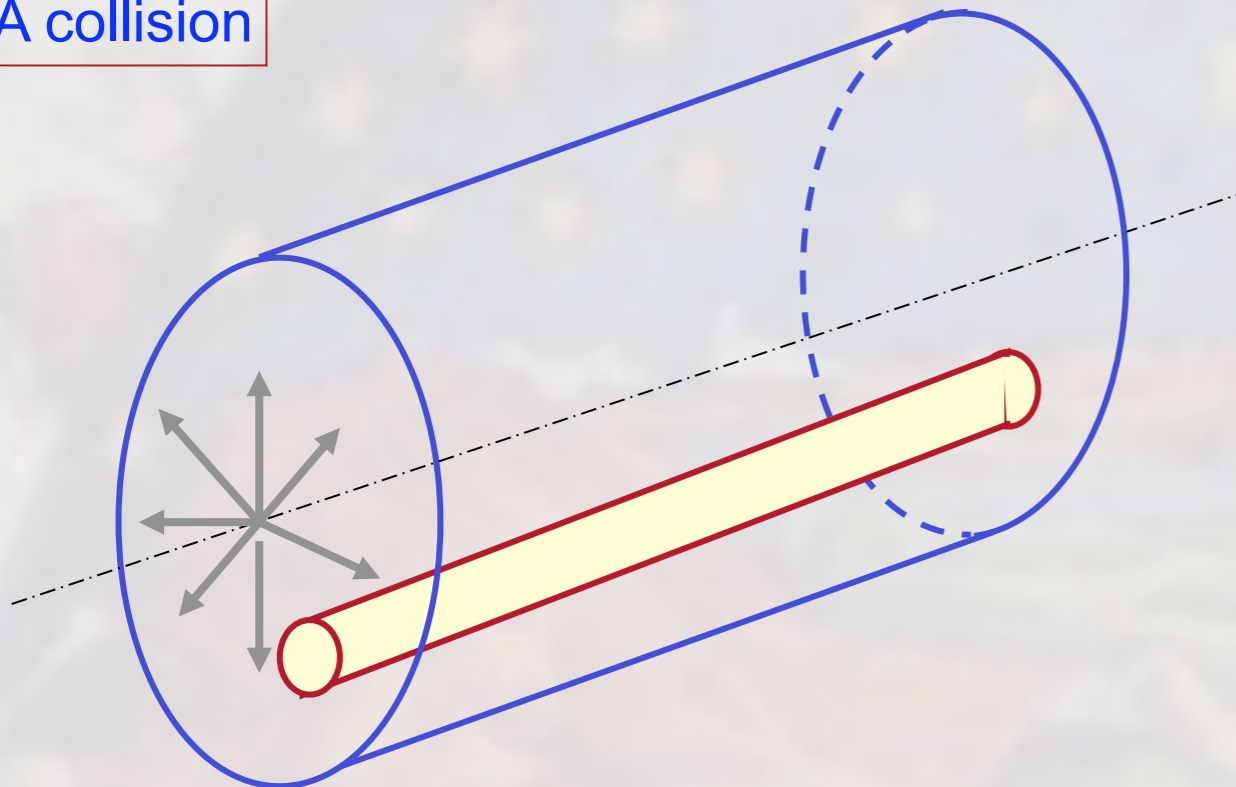
pp collision



All particles produced in the same NN-collision (qq-string) experience the transverse radial "push" that is
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 (b) the same in magnitude (→ correlations in p_t)



AA collision

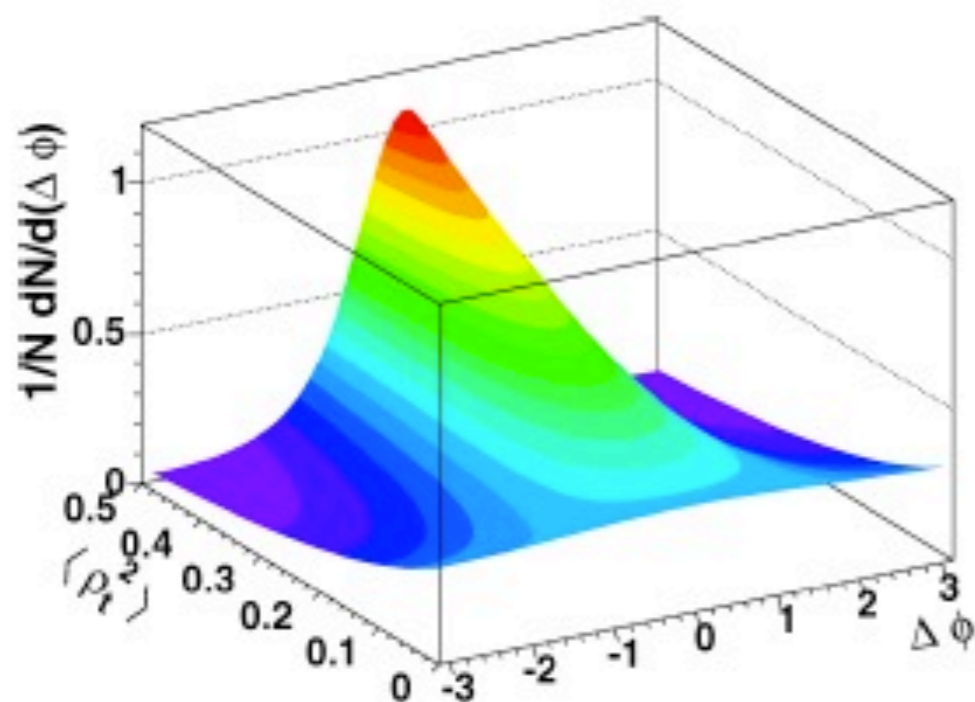


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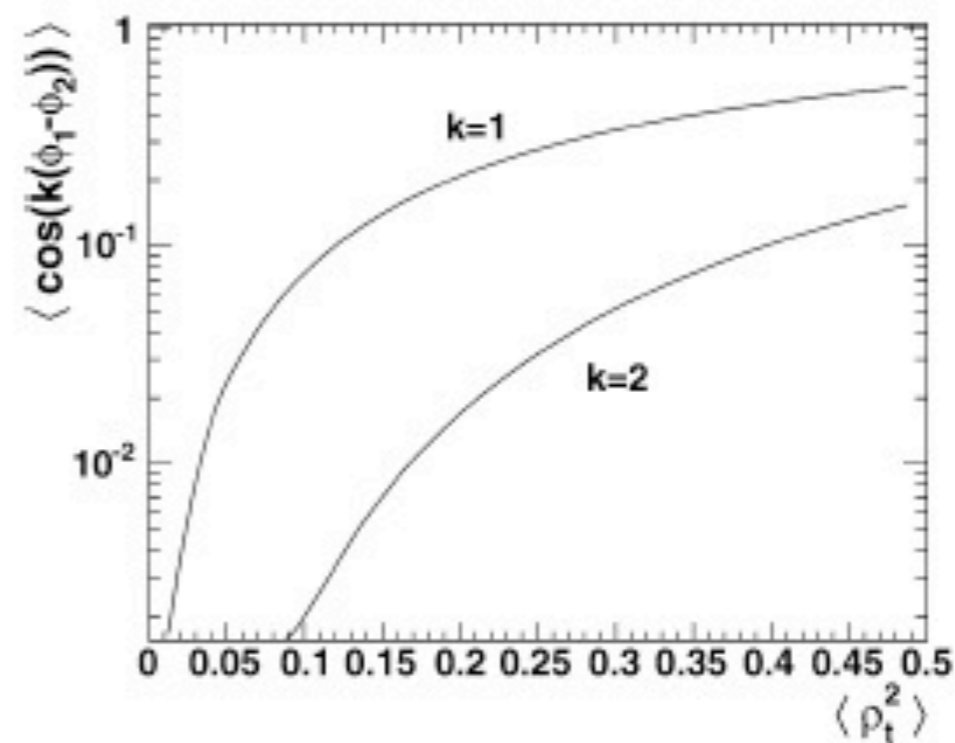


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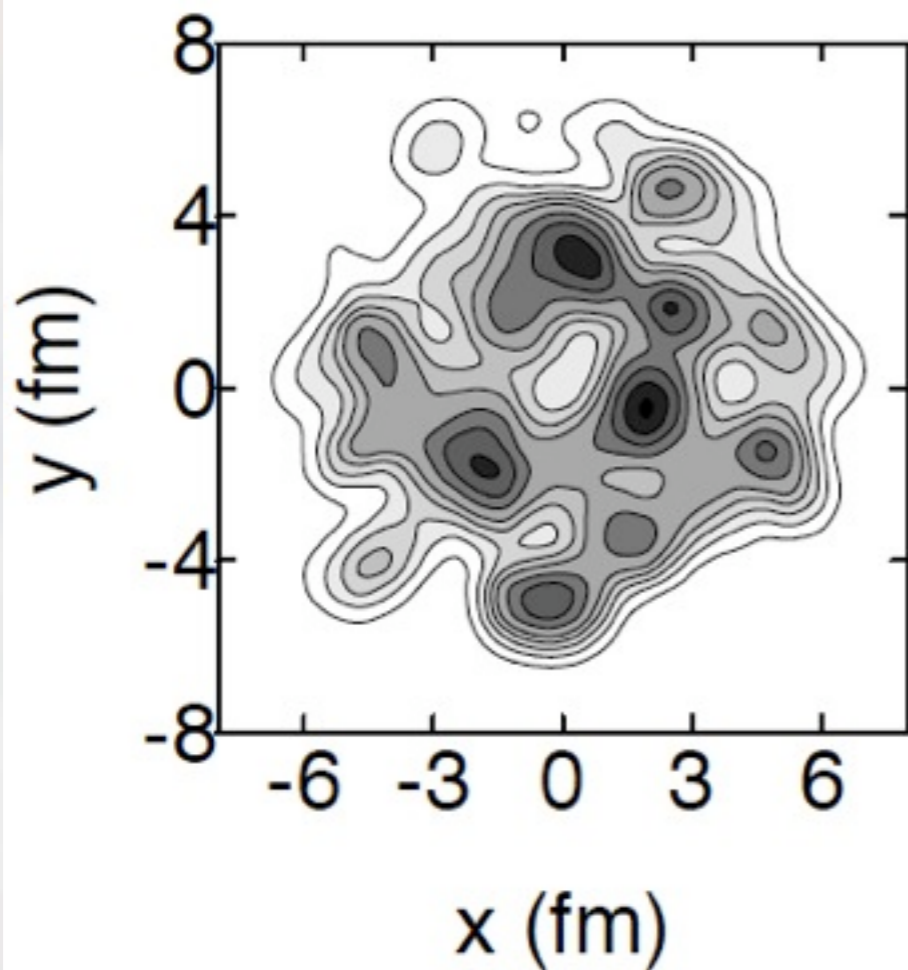
Figures are shown for particles from the same NN collision. Dilution factor to be applied!

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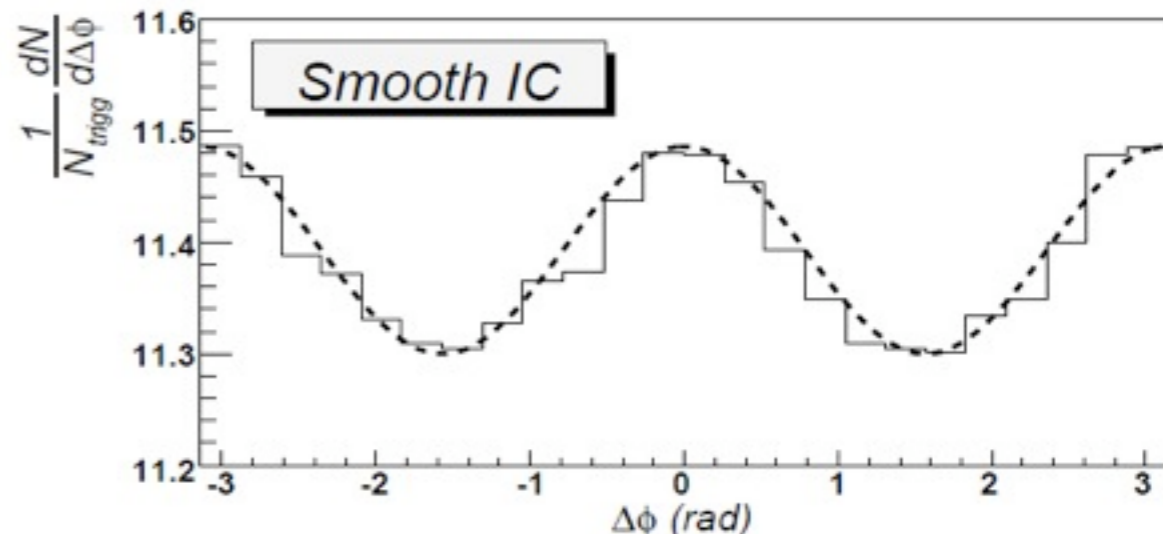
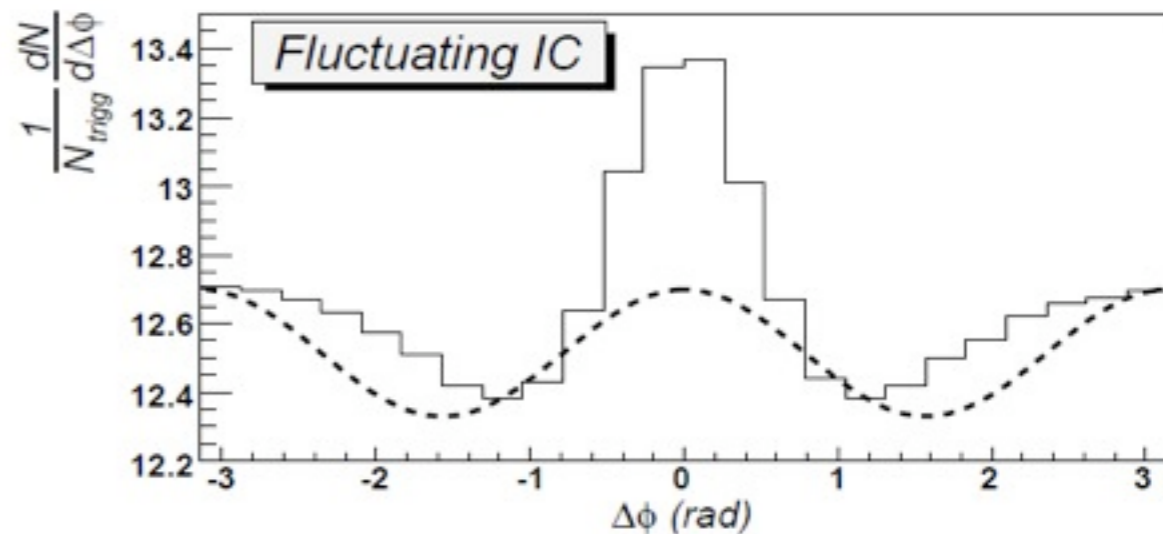
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Correlation function. Pure hydro.

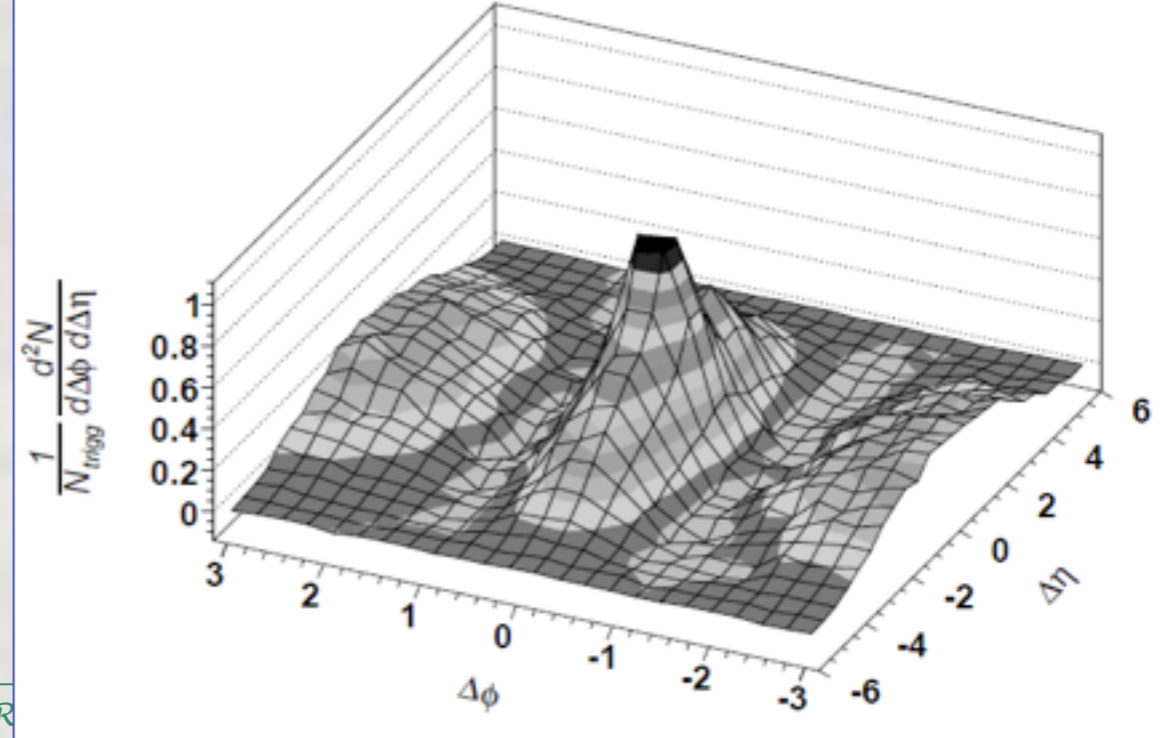
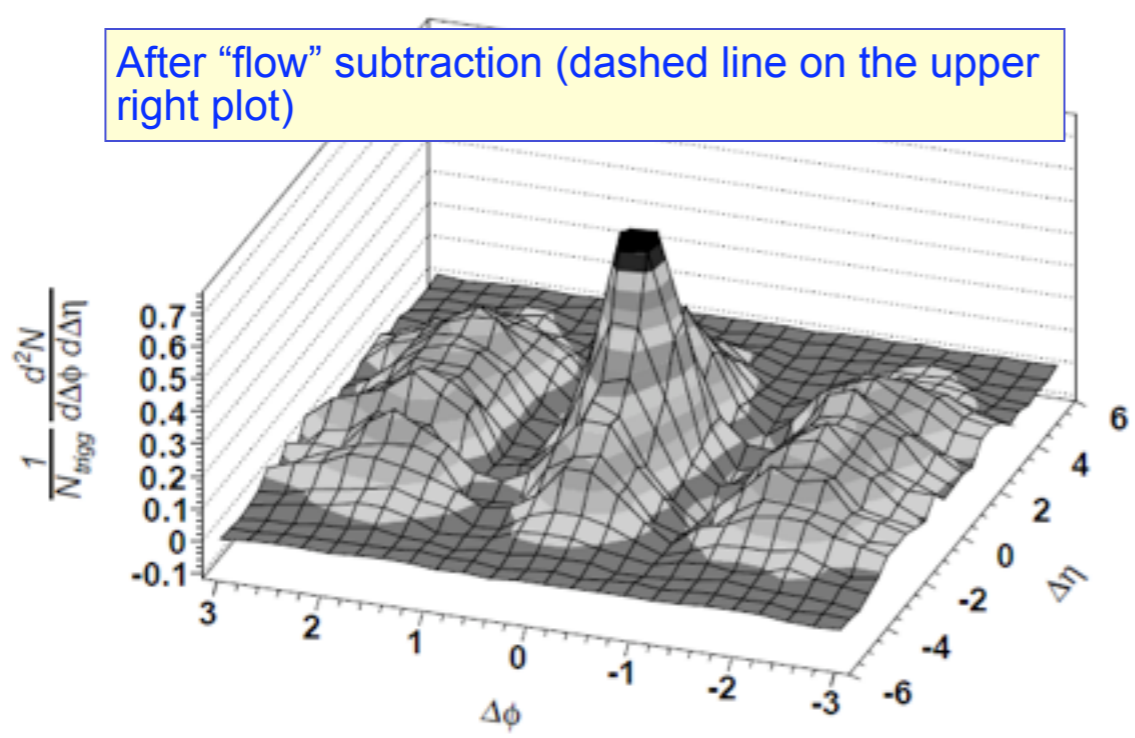
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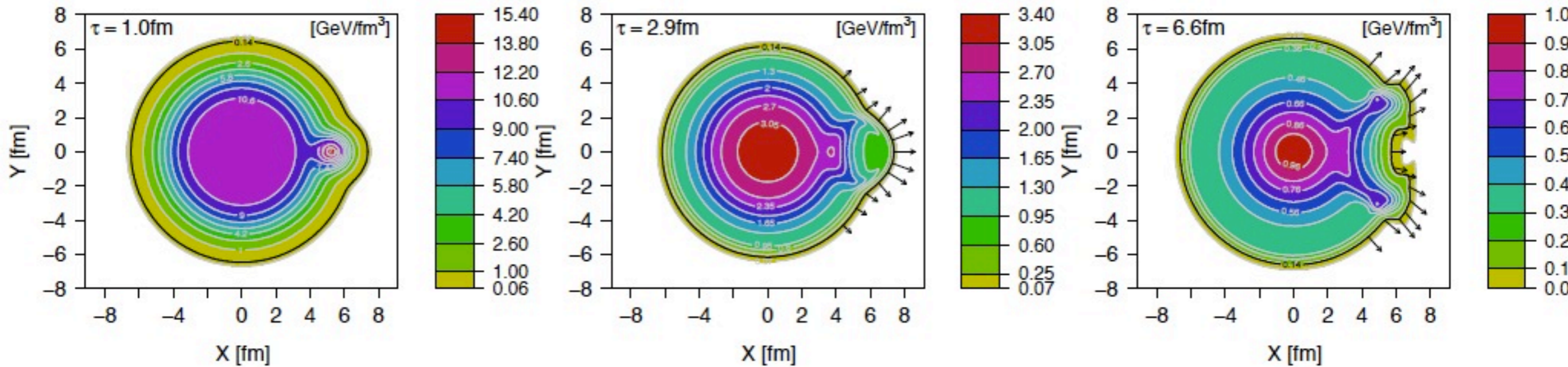


After "flow" subtraction (dashed line on the upper right plot)



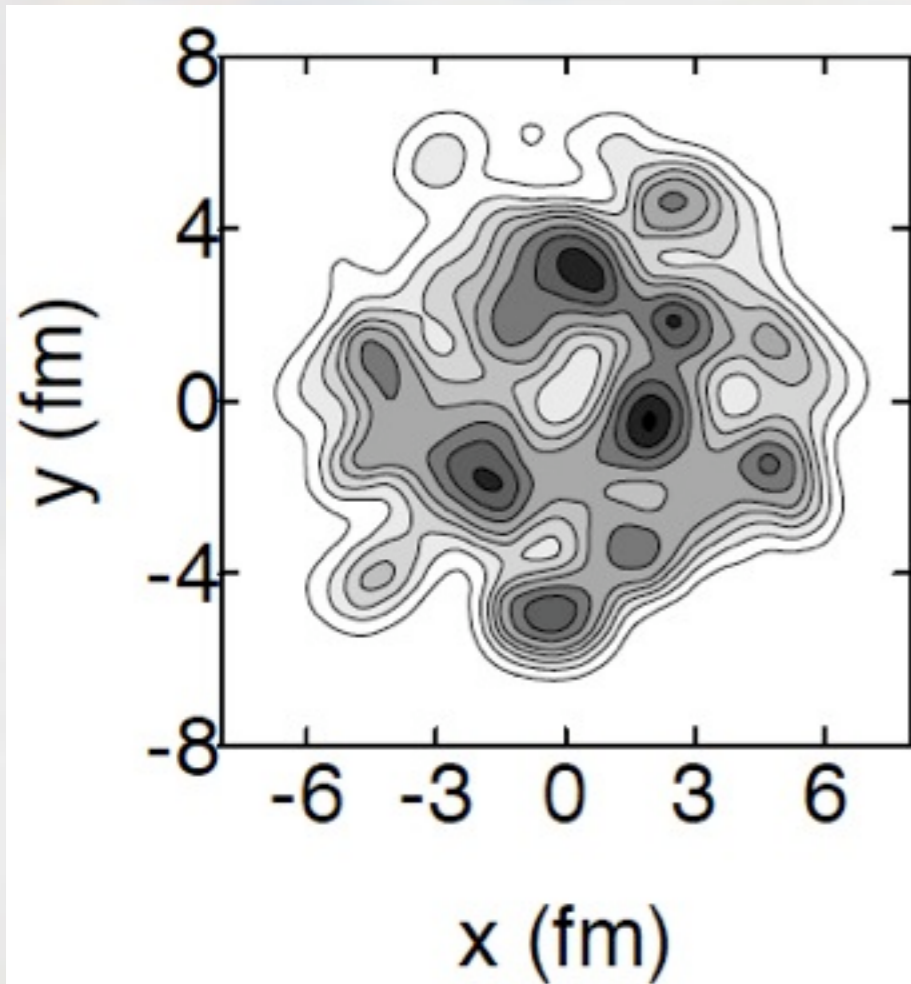
Single “hot spot”

R. P. G. Andrade, F. Grassi, Y. Hama, W. -L. Qian, Nucl. Phys. A854, 81-88 (2011).



Instead of a “bump” due to a push-out of a “hot spot” by radial flow, it appears that the high density region actually “blocks” the development of radial flow in this direction, leading to a dip with two “side-splashes”.

Note that the “dip” and the “bump” lead to positive correlations, the “ridge”, but the details (e.g. harmonic decomposition of the correlation function is different)



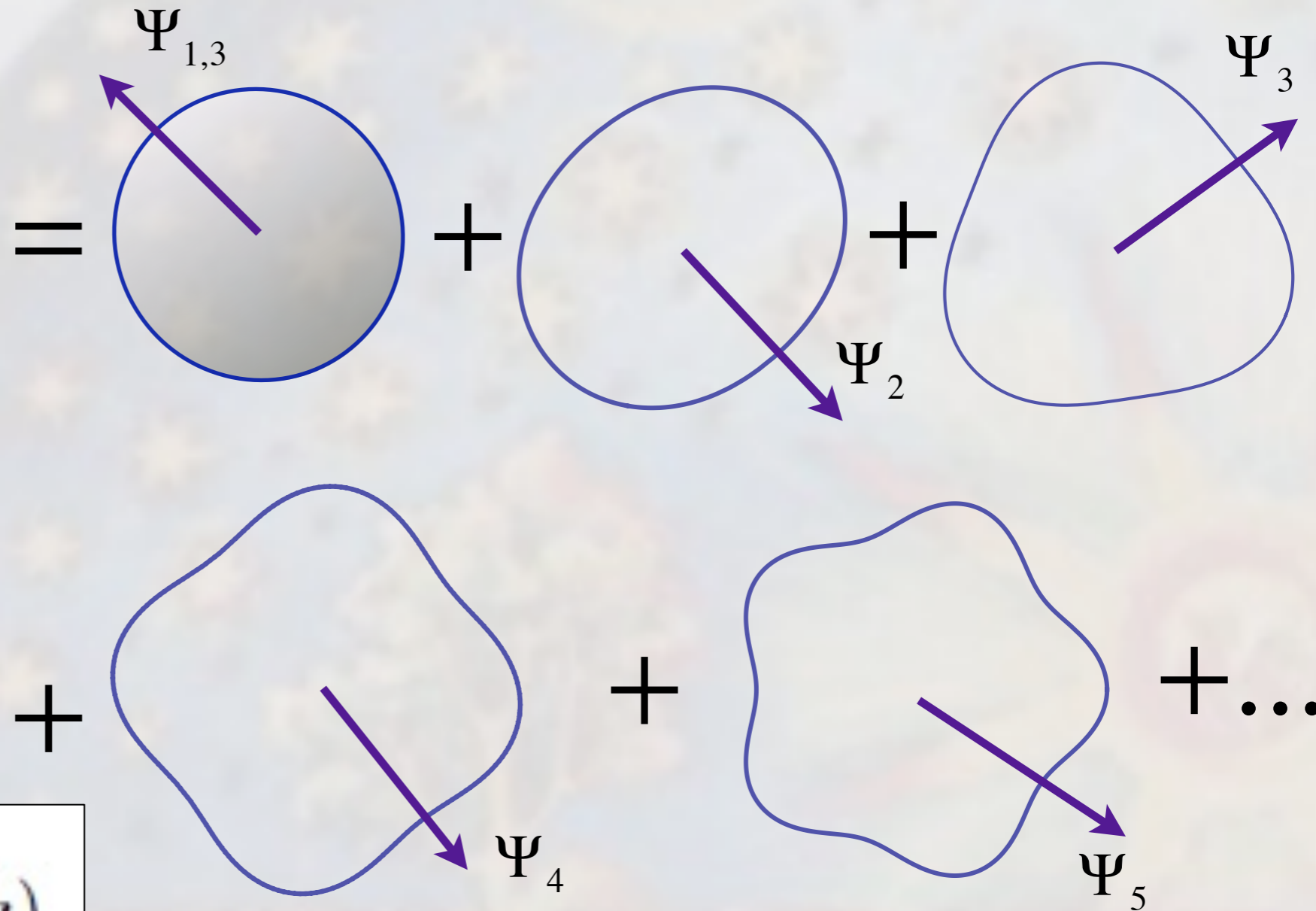
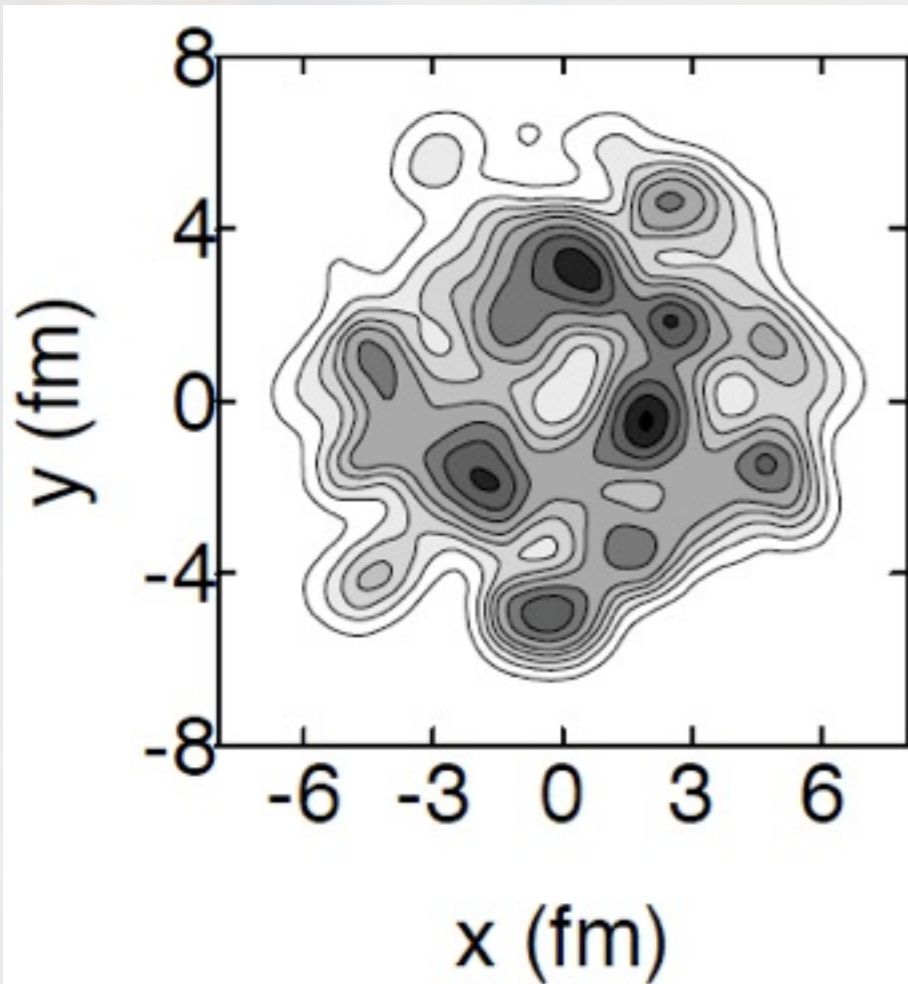
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positions
of hot spots



It is difficult to select events with (only) one hot spot at a given position \Rightarrow we will proceed in a different direction.

Density decomposition



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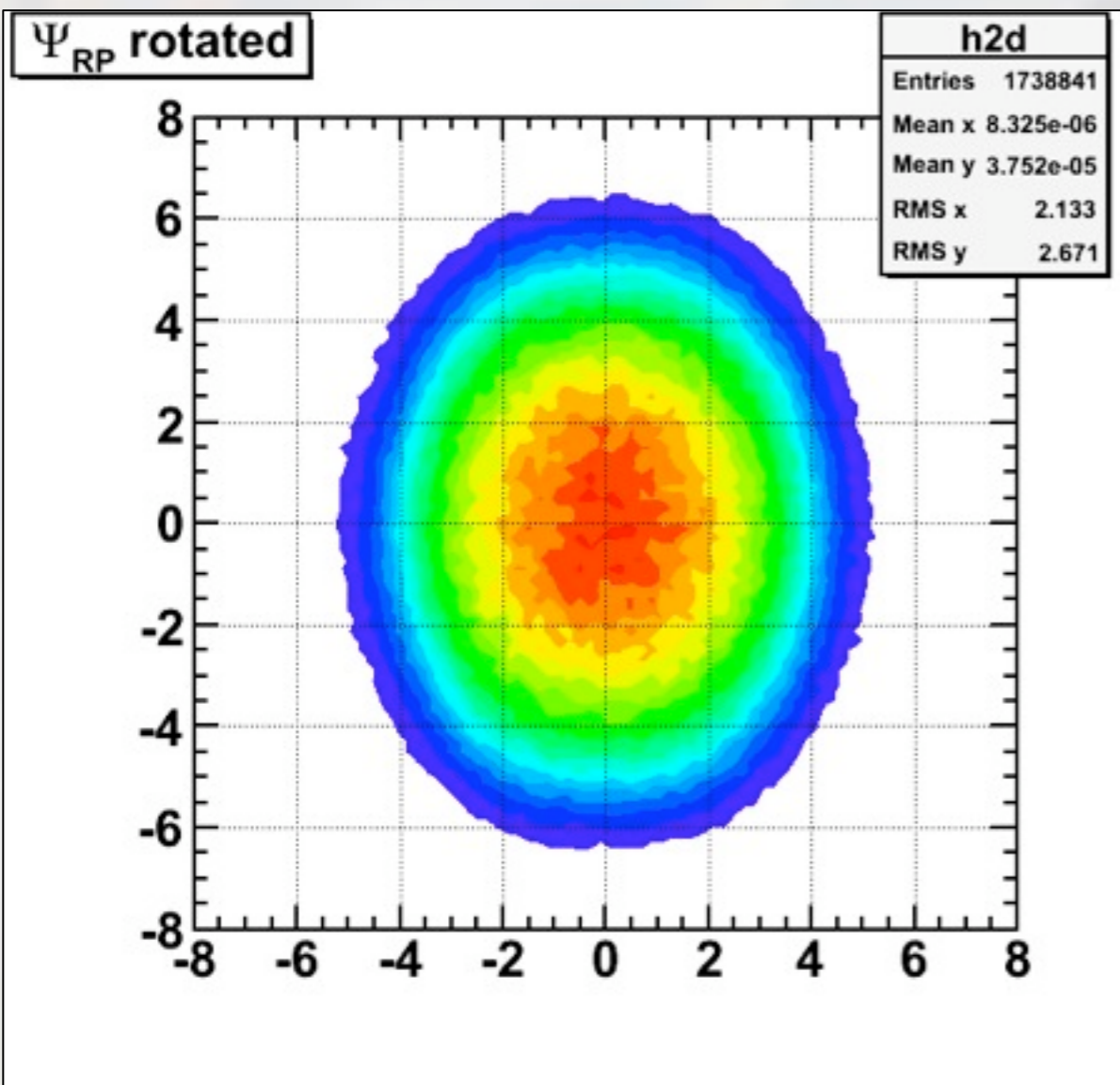
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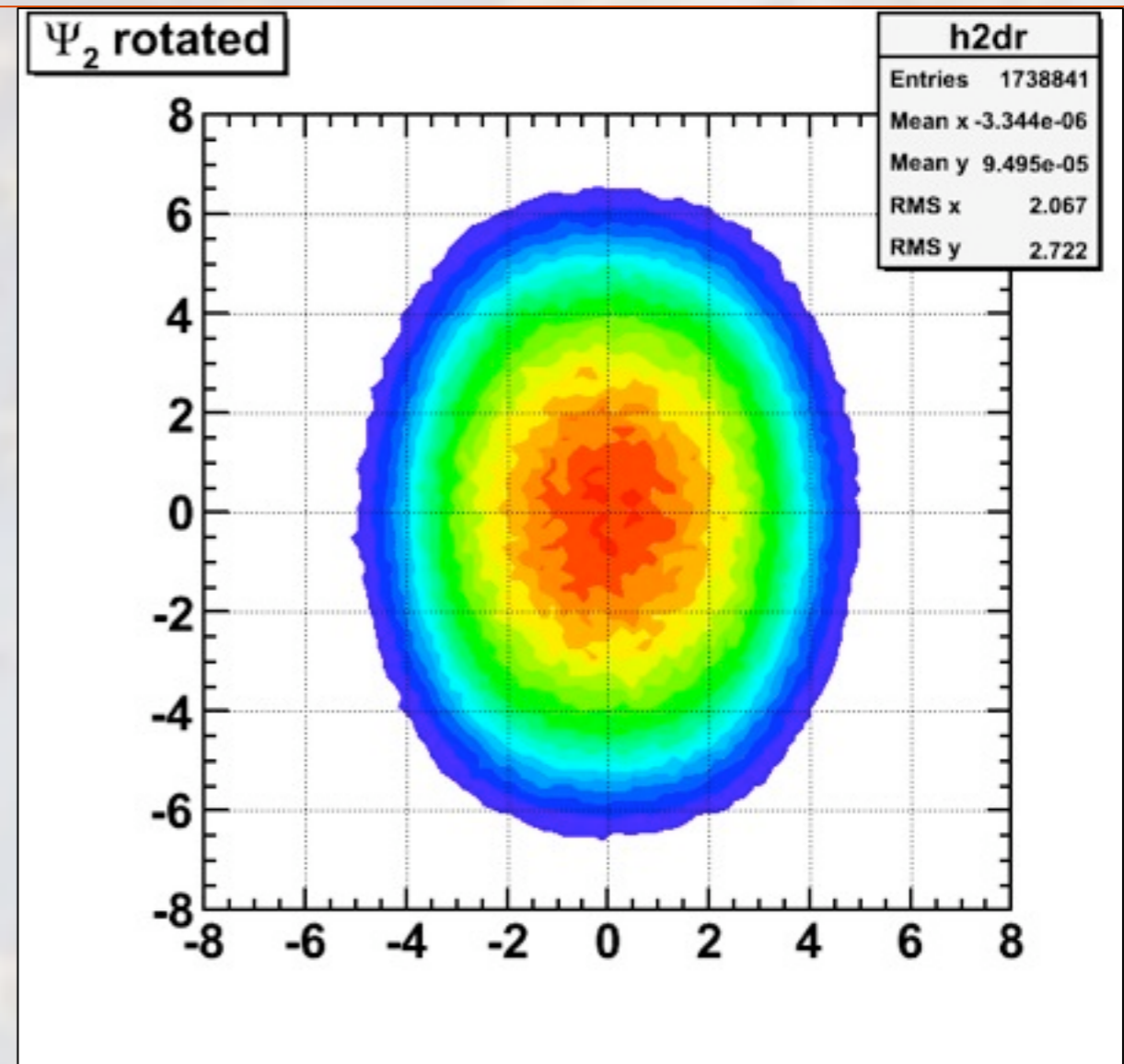
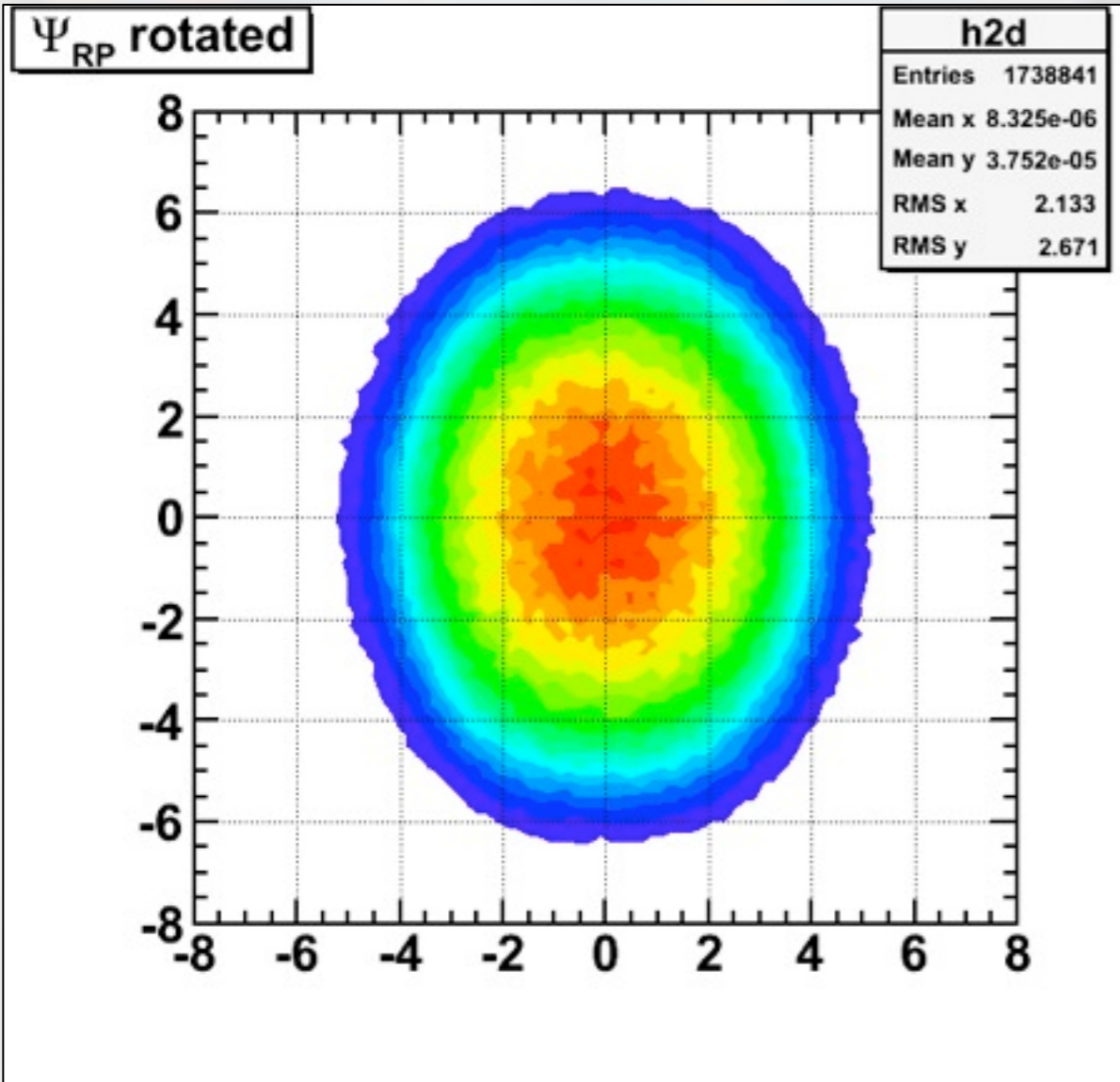
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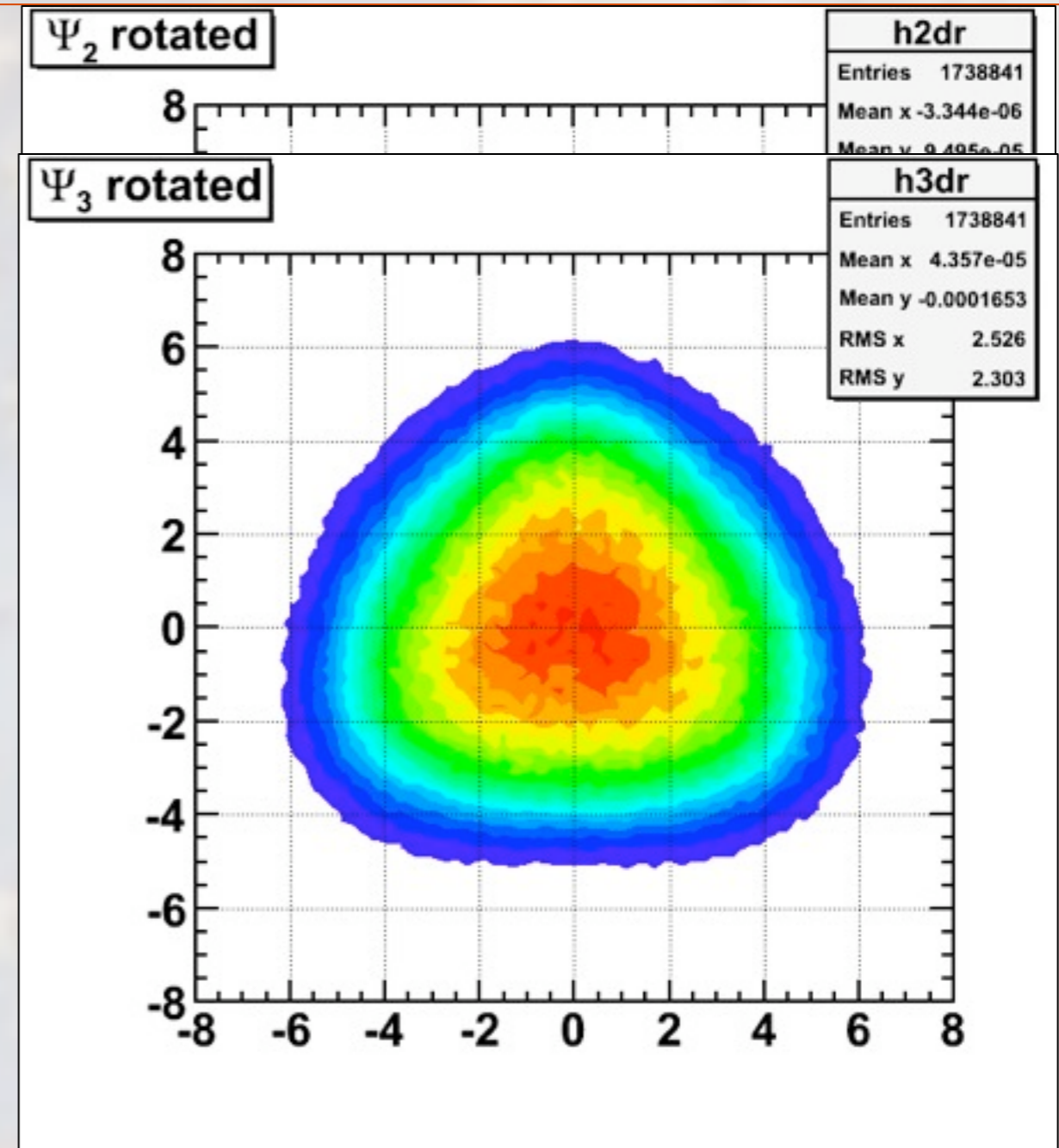
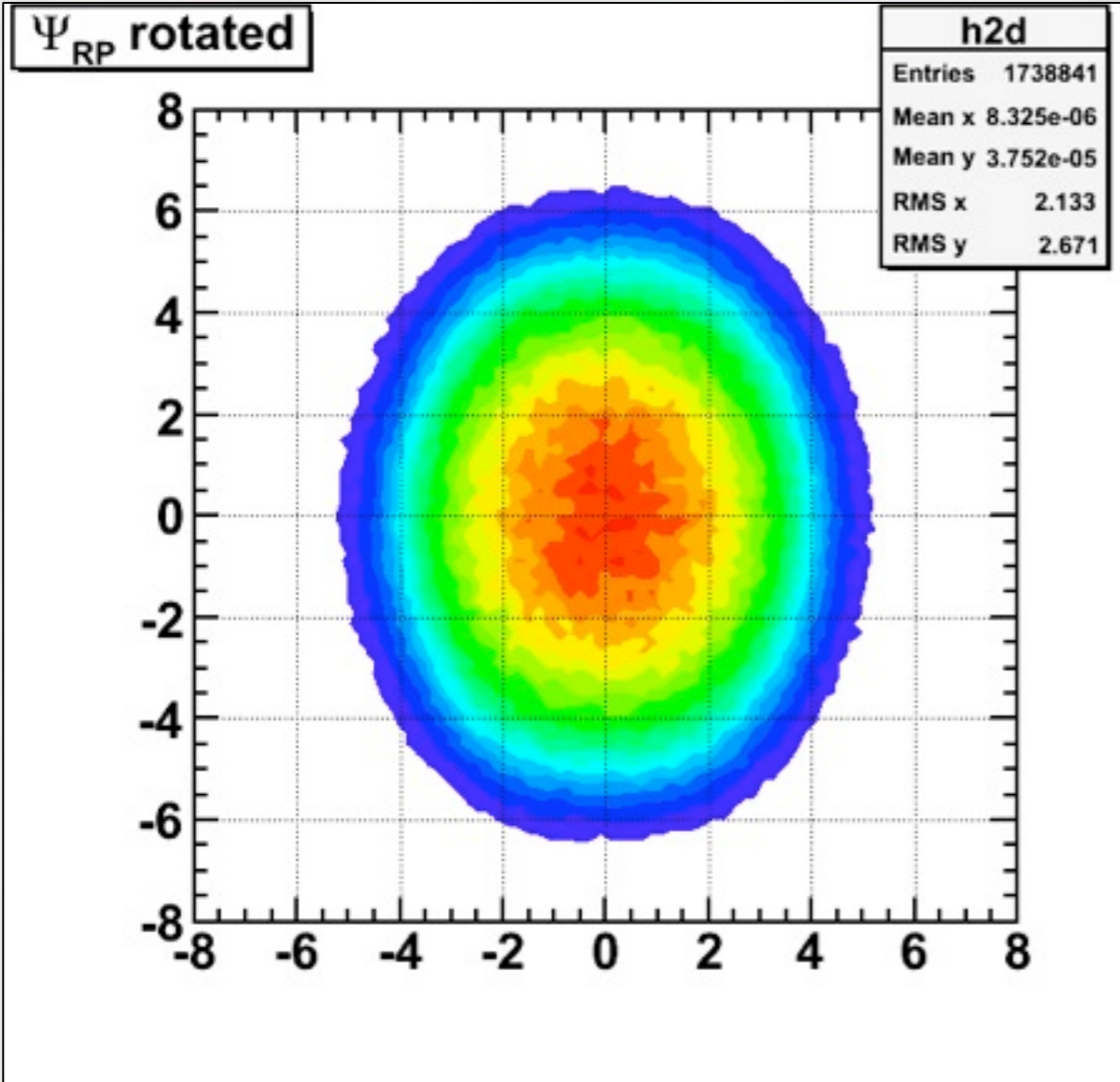
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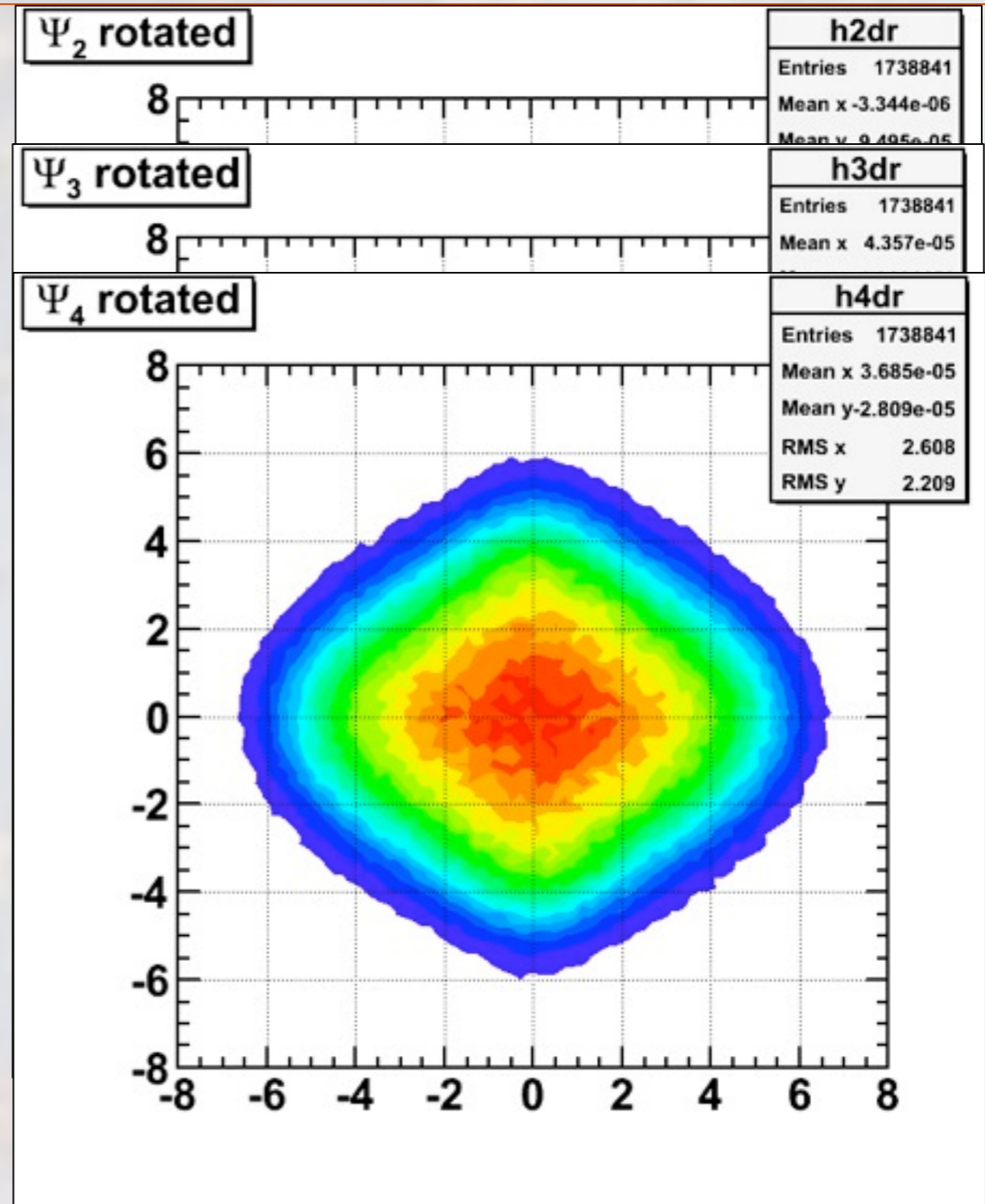
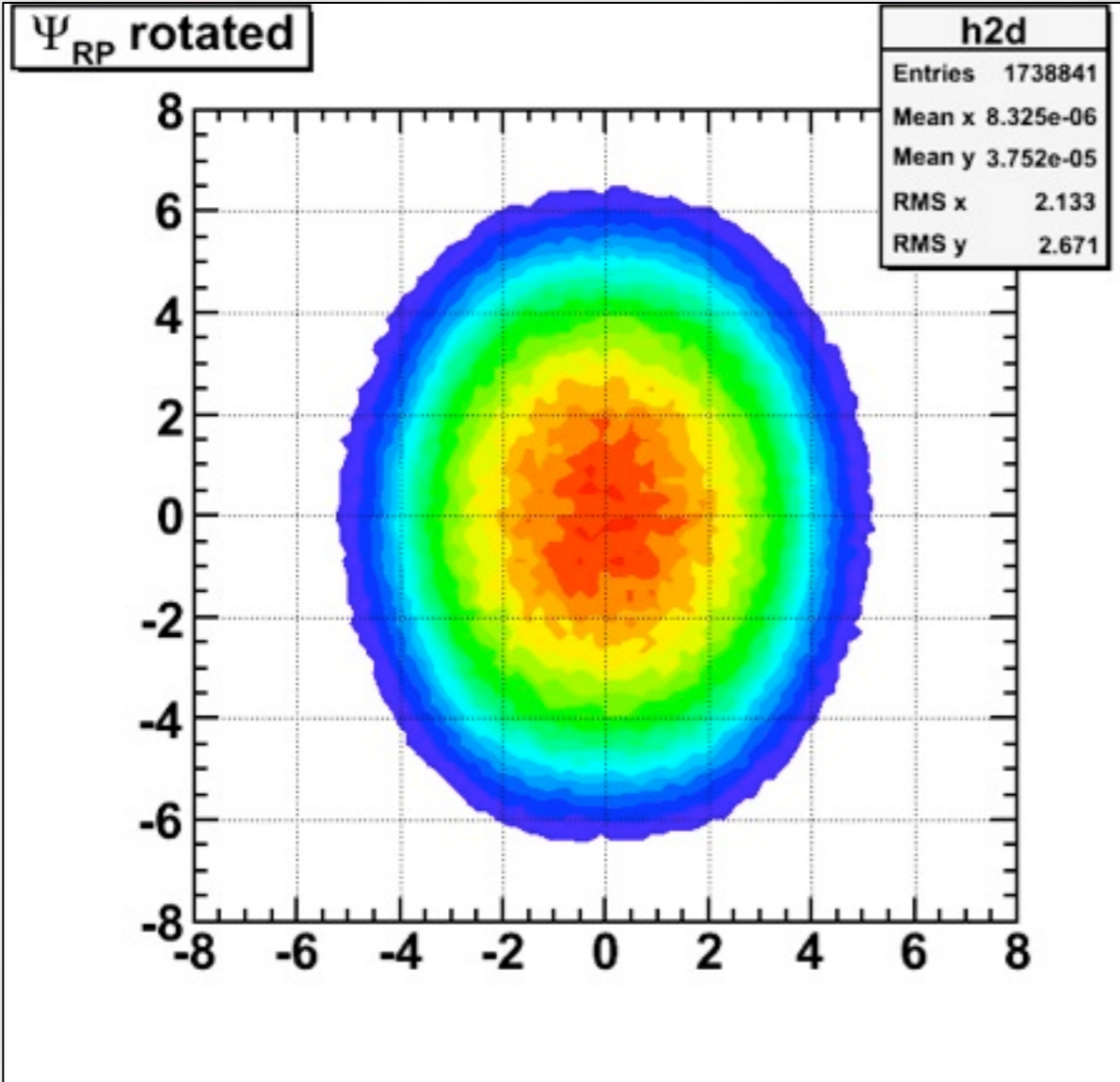
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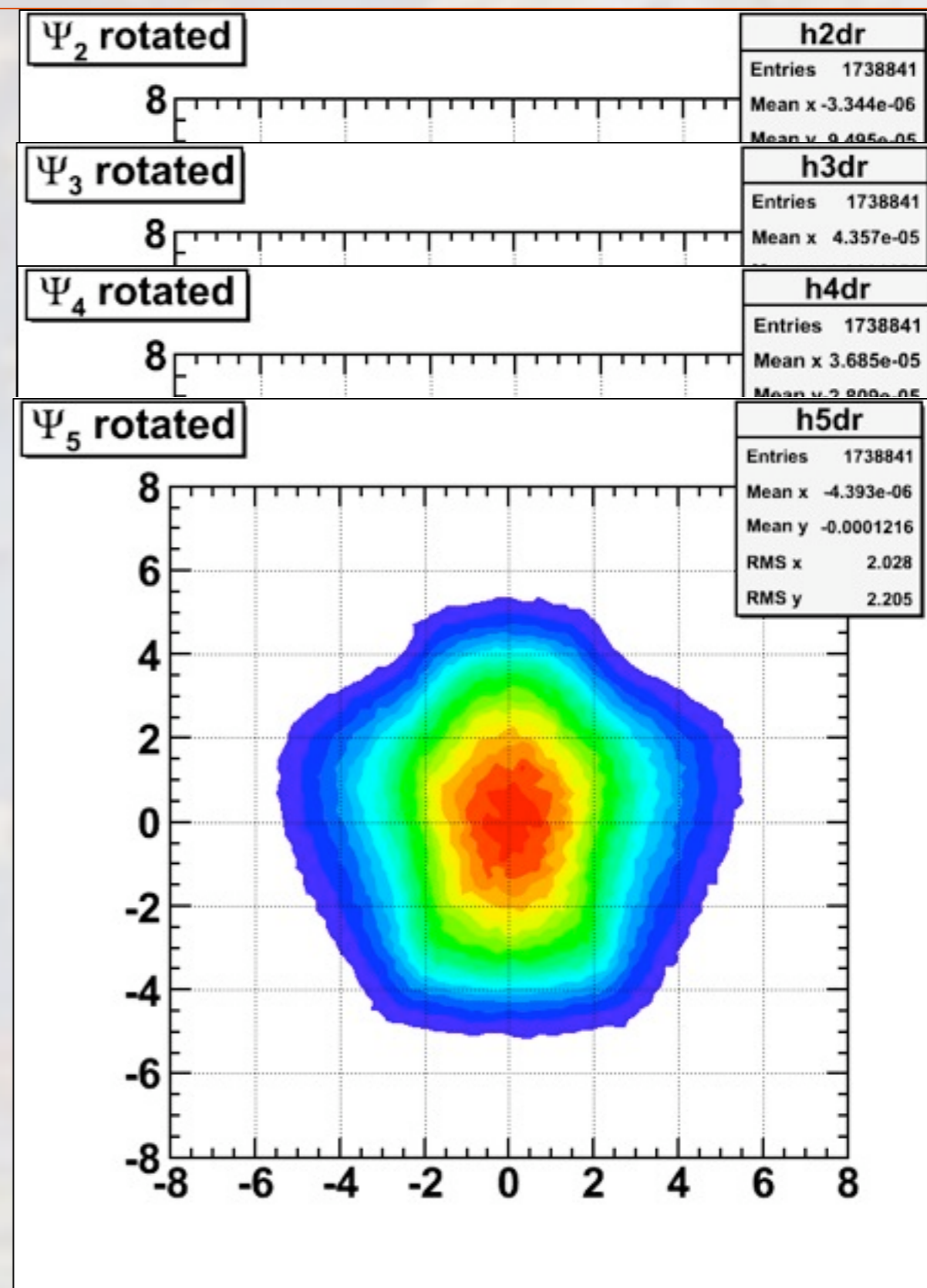
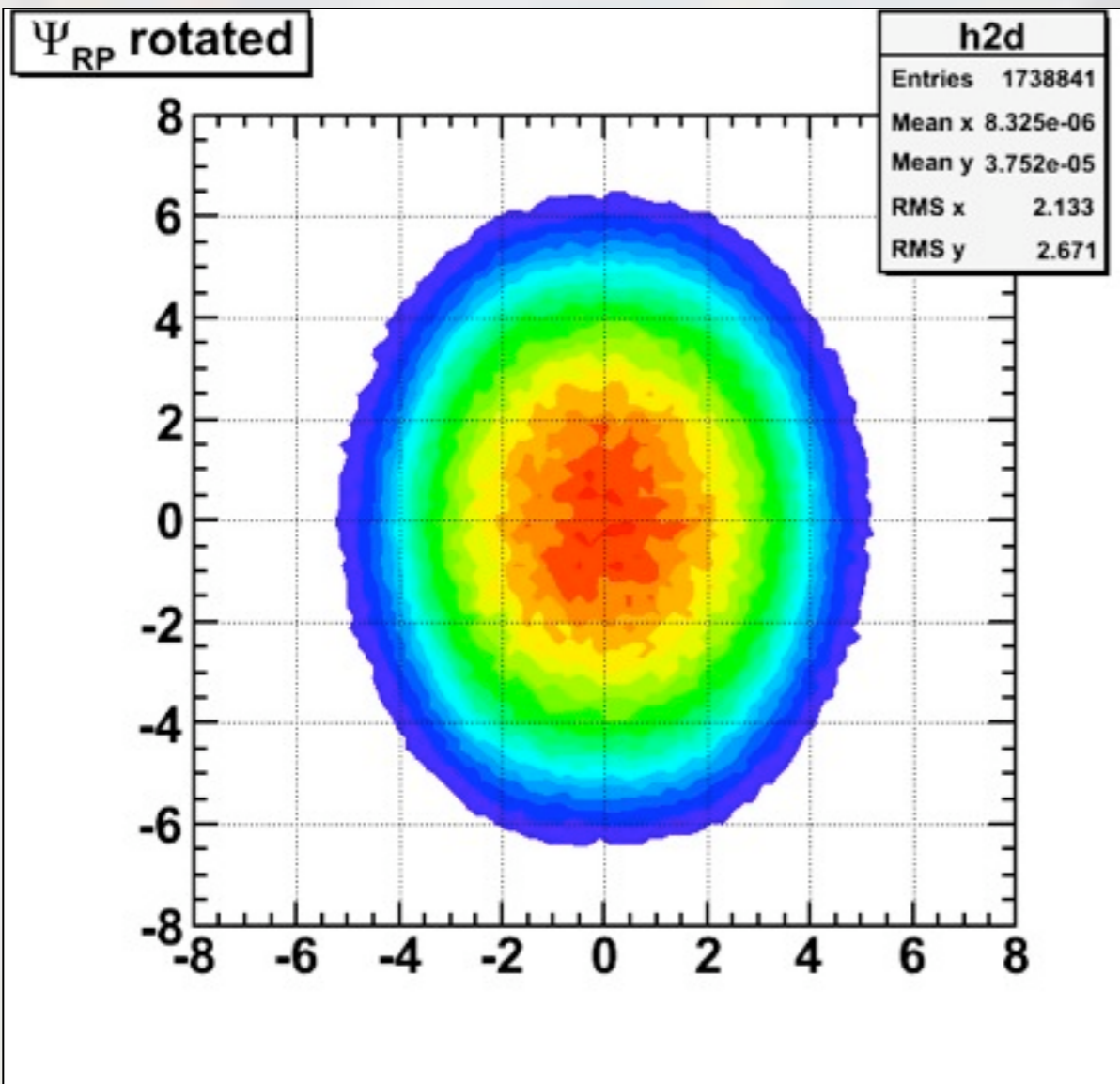
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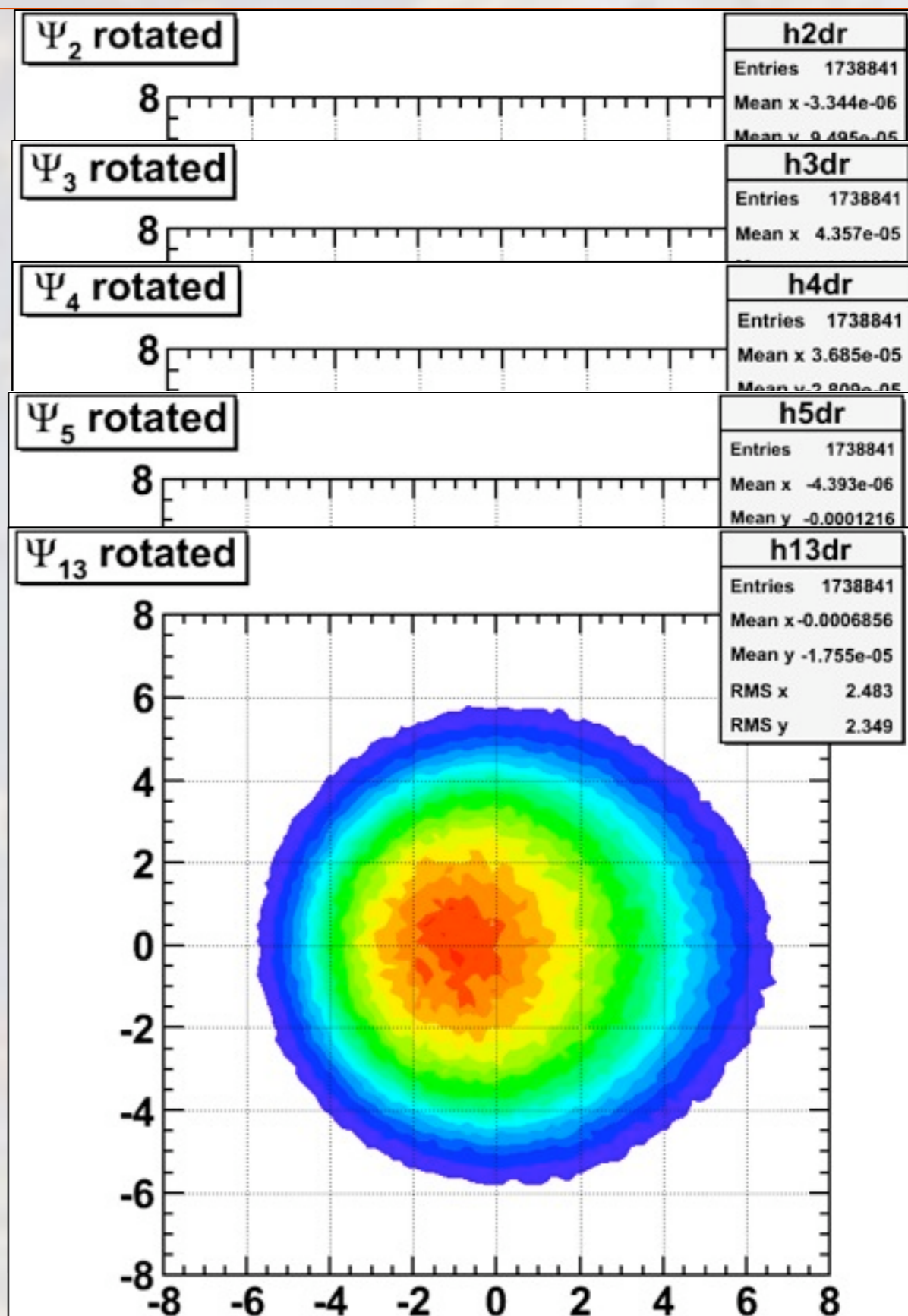
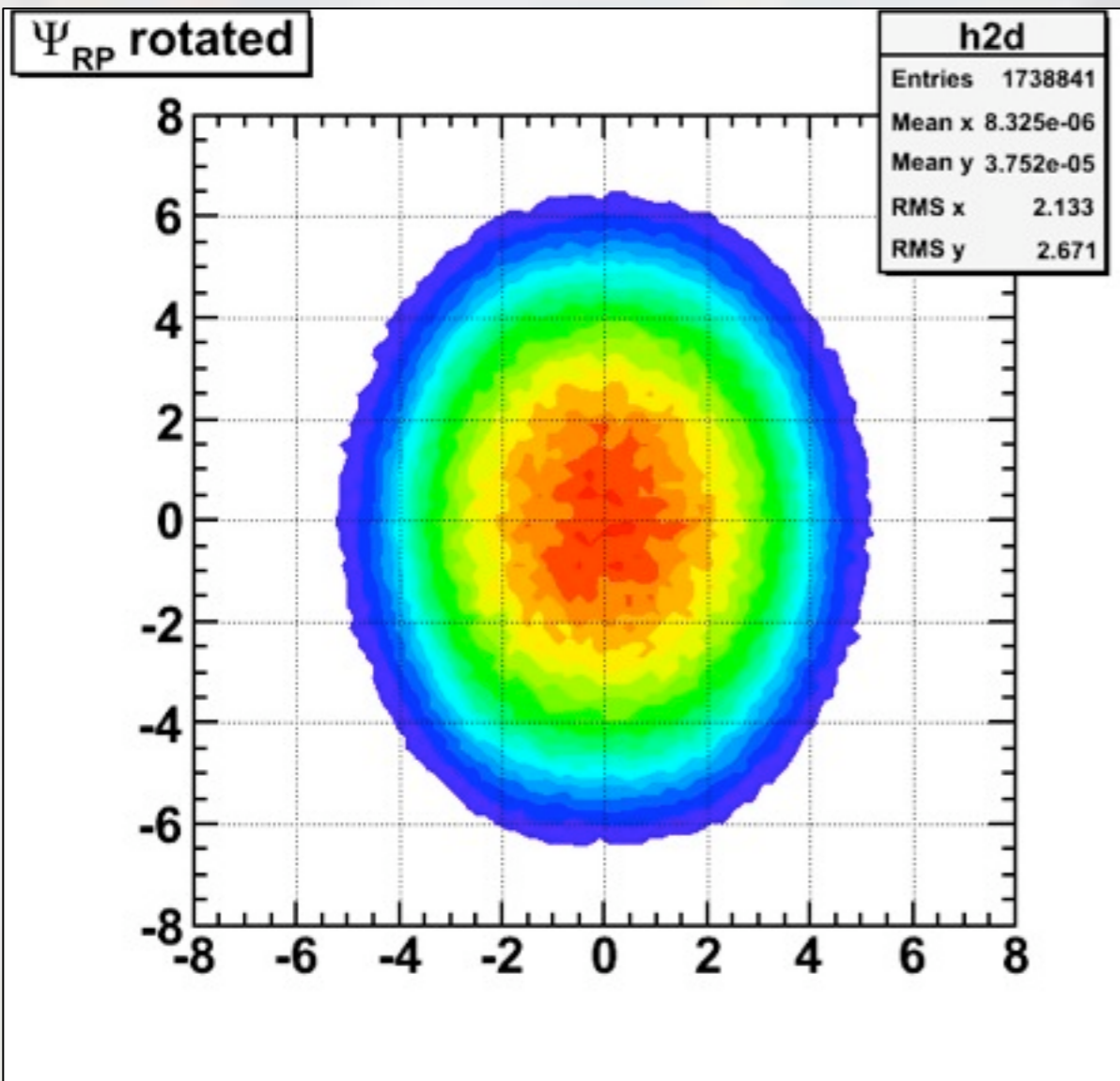
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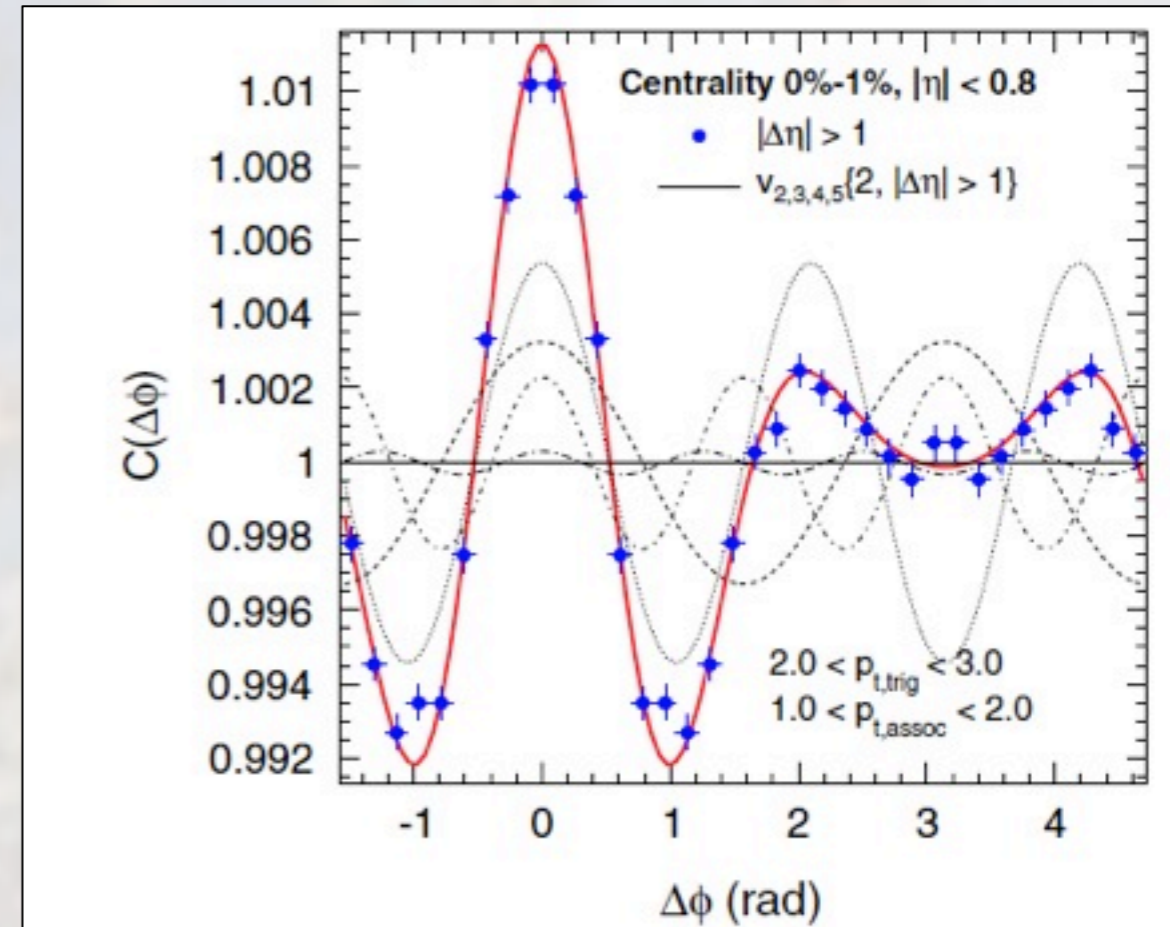
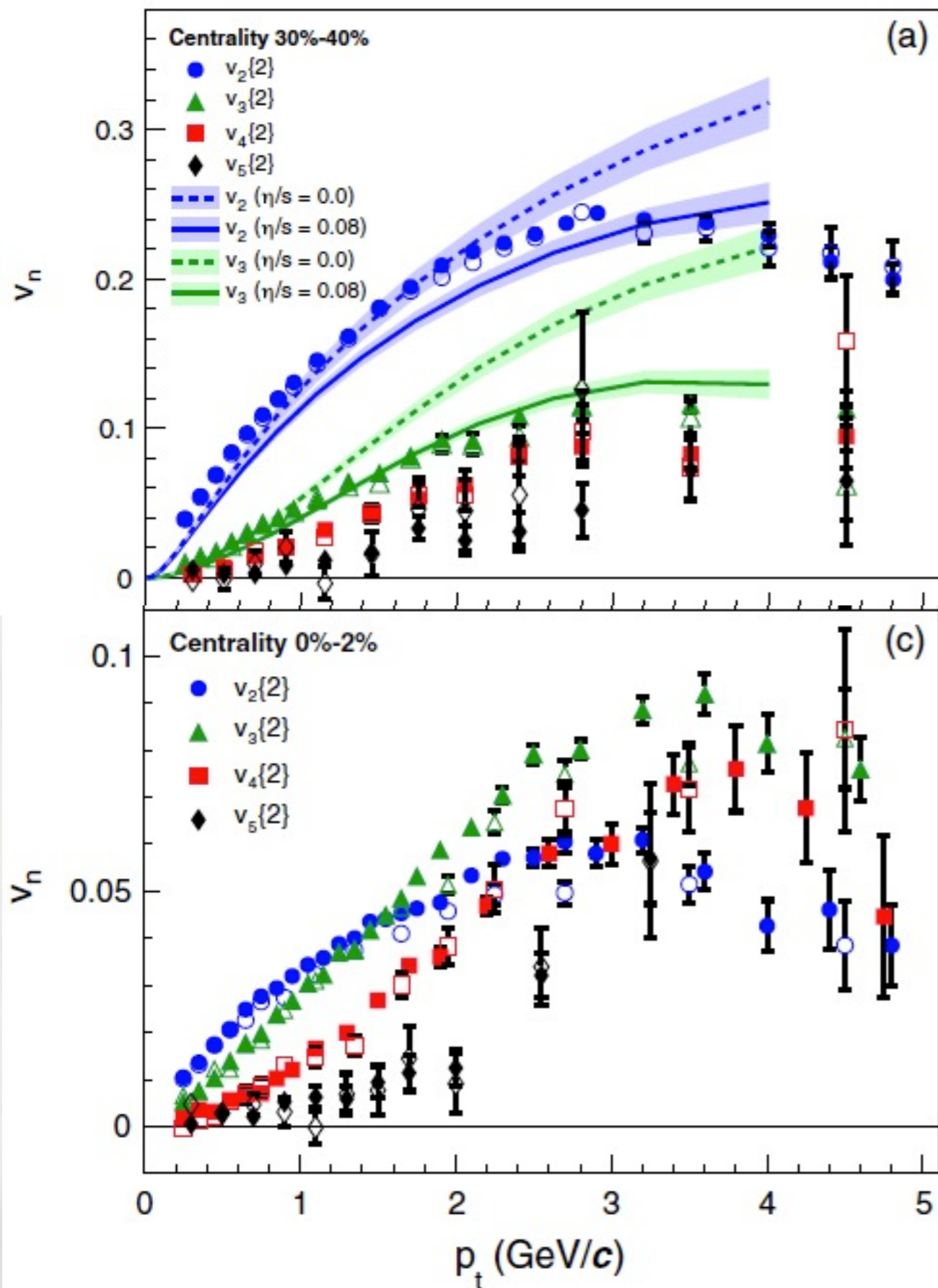
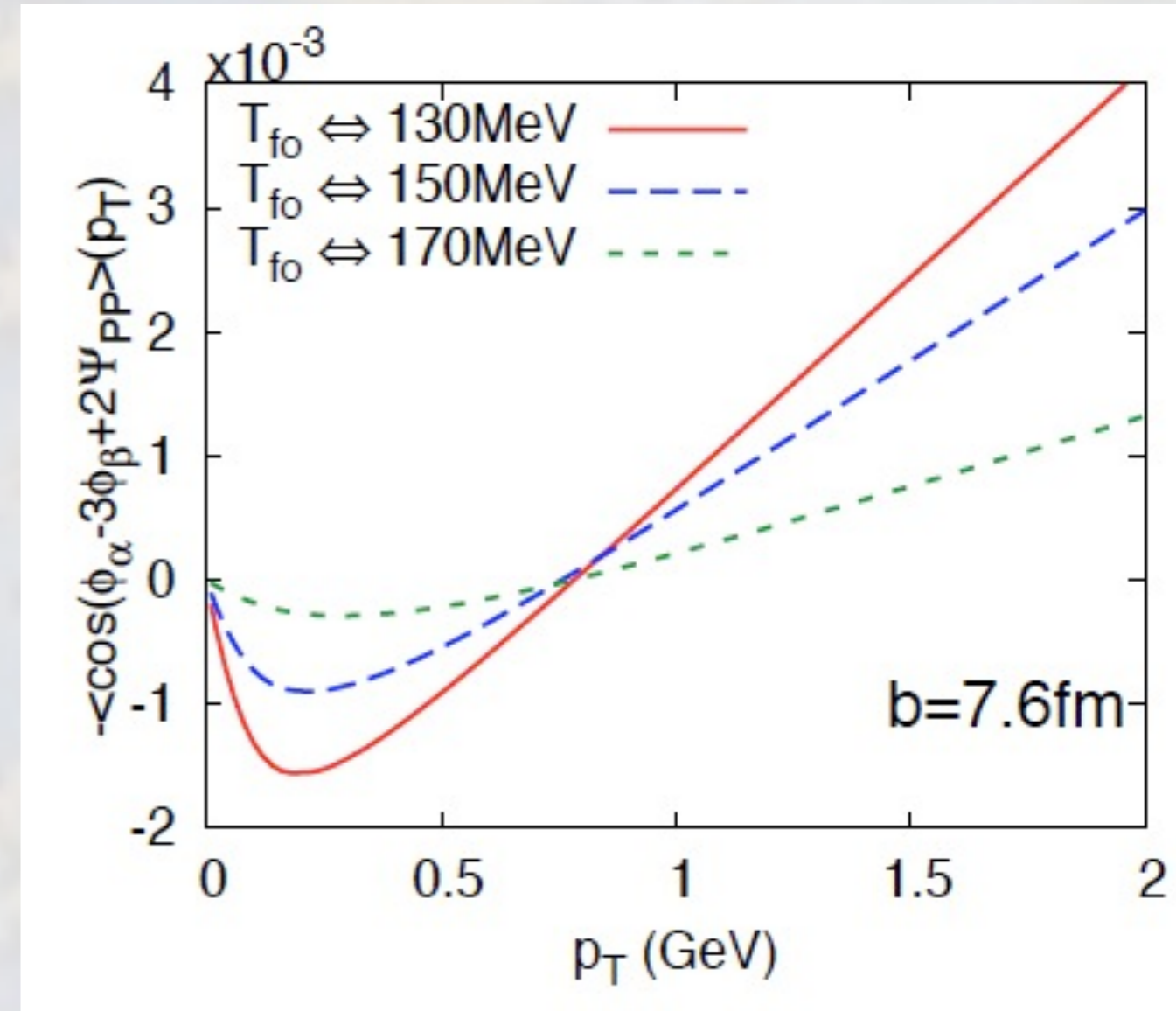
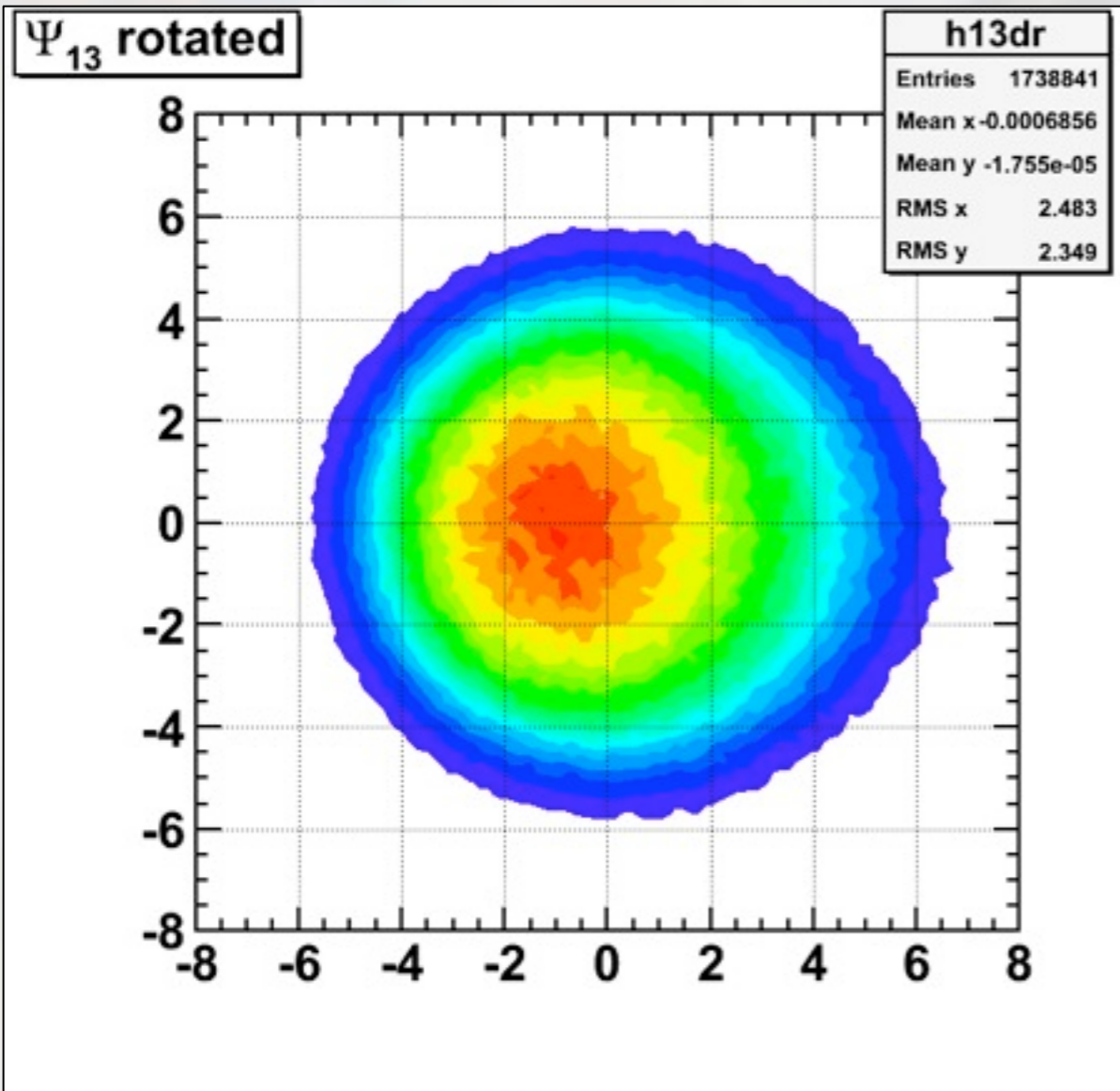


FIG. 4 (color online). The two-particle azimuthal correlation, measured in $0 < \Delta\phi < \pi$ and shown symmetrized over 2π , between a trigger particle with $2 < p_t < 3$ GeV/c and an associated particle with $1 < p_t < 2$ GeV/c for the 0%-1% centrality class. The solid red line shows the sum of the measured anisotropic flow Fourier coefficients v_2 , v_3 , v_4 , and v_5 (dashed lines).



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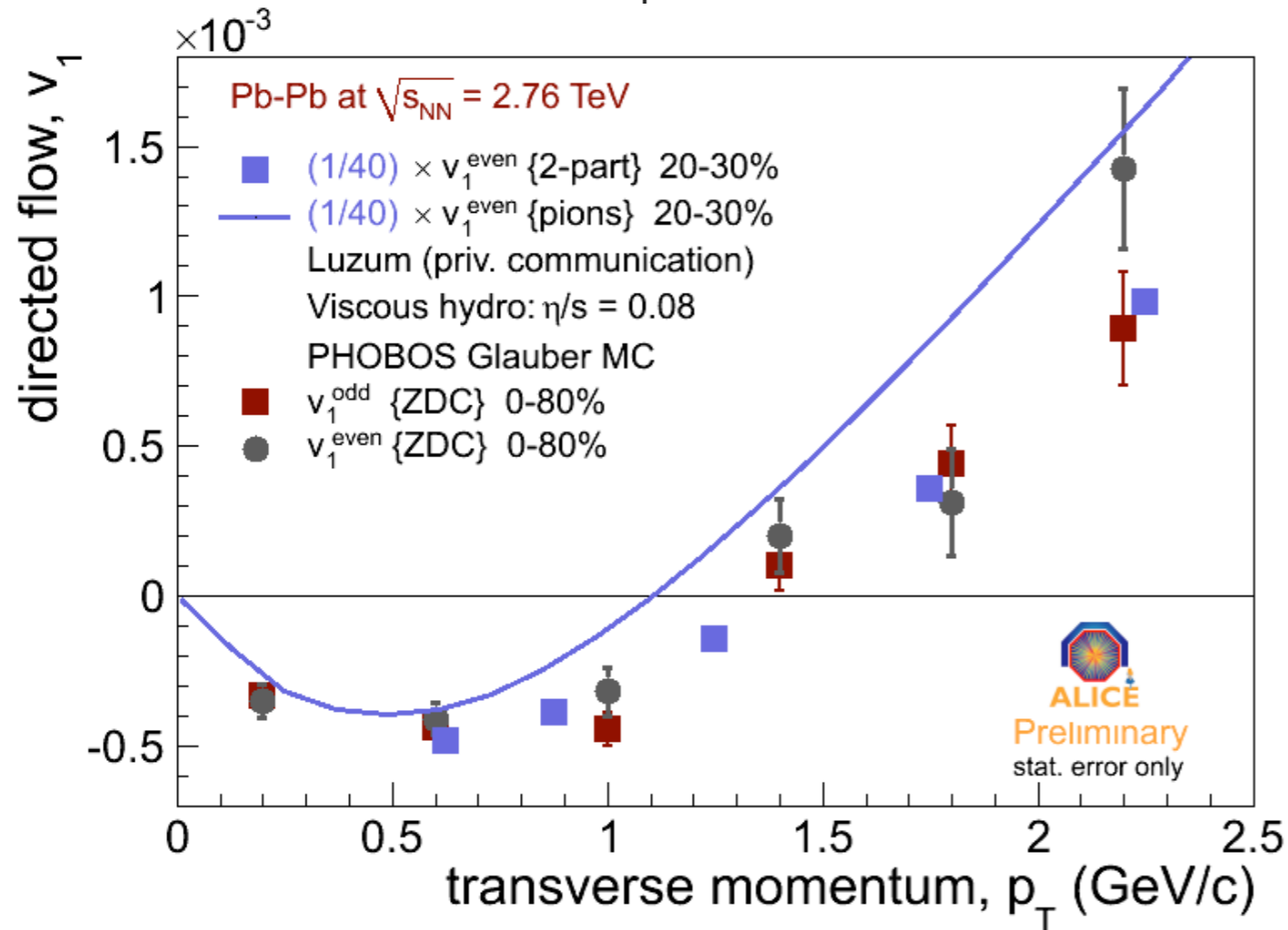
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p_T dependence of “odd” and “even” v_1



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Even and odd v_1 with spectators and flow fluctuations



Viscous hydrodynamic calculations for pions:
M. Luzum (private. com.)
 Method:
 B. Alver, *et.al.*
arXiv:1007.5469 (2011)

2-particle correlation fits:
talk #560 by A. Adare

- Similar p_T shape of even and odd $v_1 \{\text{ZDC}\}$ and v_1 extracted from Fourier fits of two particles correlations
- Much smaller signal with spectators ($\sim 1/40$)

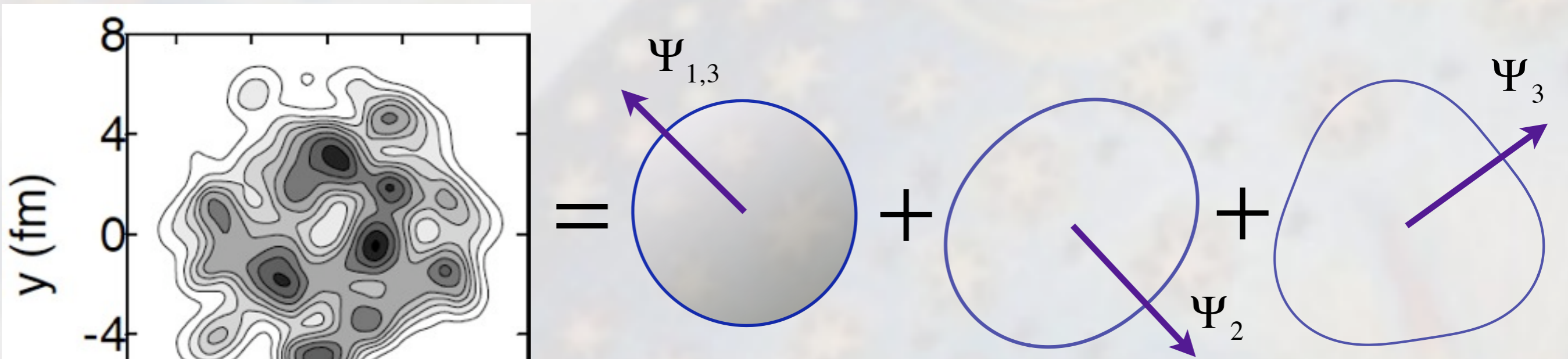


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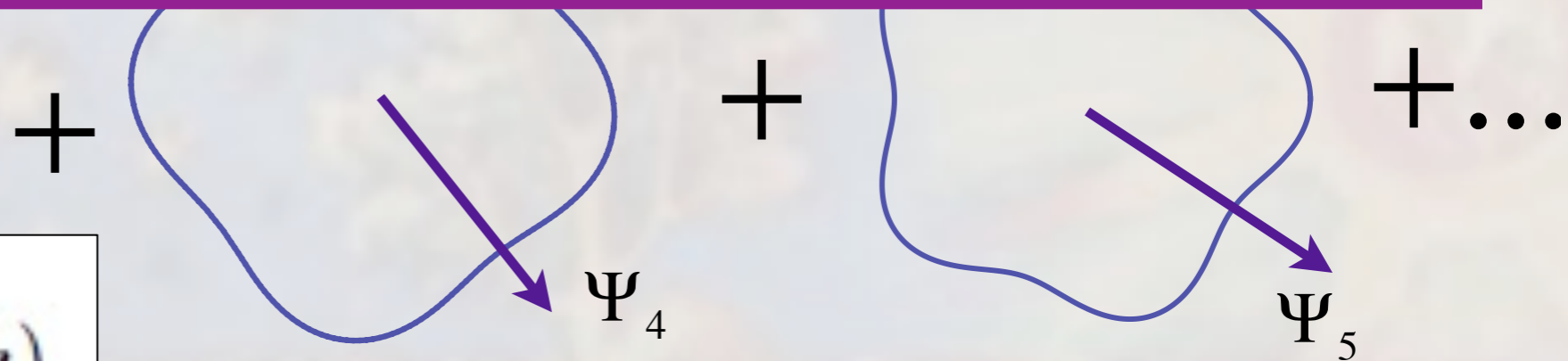
The origin of both is the same -- density gradients

Density decomposition



We can also address the “individual” shapes by femtoscopy! ... but this is another talk

x (fm)



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Summary

- Heavy ion collisions is a unique laboratory to study QCD, including physics of hadronization, properties of QCD vacuum.
- Anisotropies in particle production appear to be a very sensitive tool for such studies.

- ◆ Constituent quark number scaling -- an important observation which might reveal the dynamics of hadronization.
- ◆ Anisotropies in particle production in a very strong magnetic field of colliding nuclei could provide a unique “playground” for direct experimental studies of nonperturbative QCD effects.
- ◆ Flow fluctuations, quite accurately measurable experimentally, provide another observable very sensitive to the initial state of the system evolution / wave function of the fast nucleus.
- ◆ “Nonflow” due to interplay of “hot spots” and radial flow, and flow fluctuations due to fluctuations in in the “shape” are different descriptions of the same phenomena.