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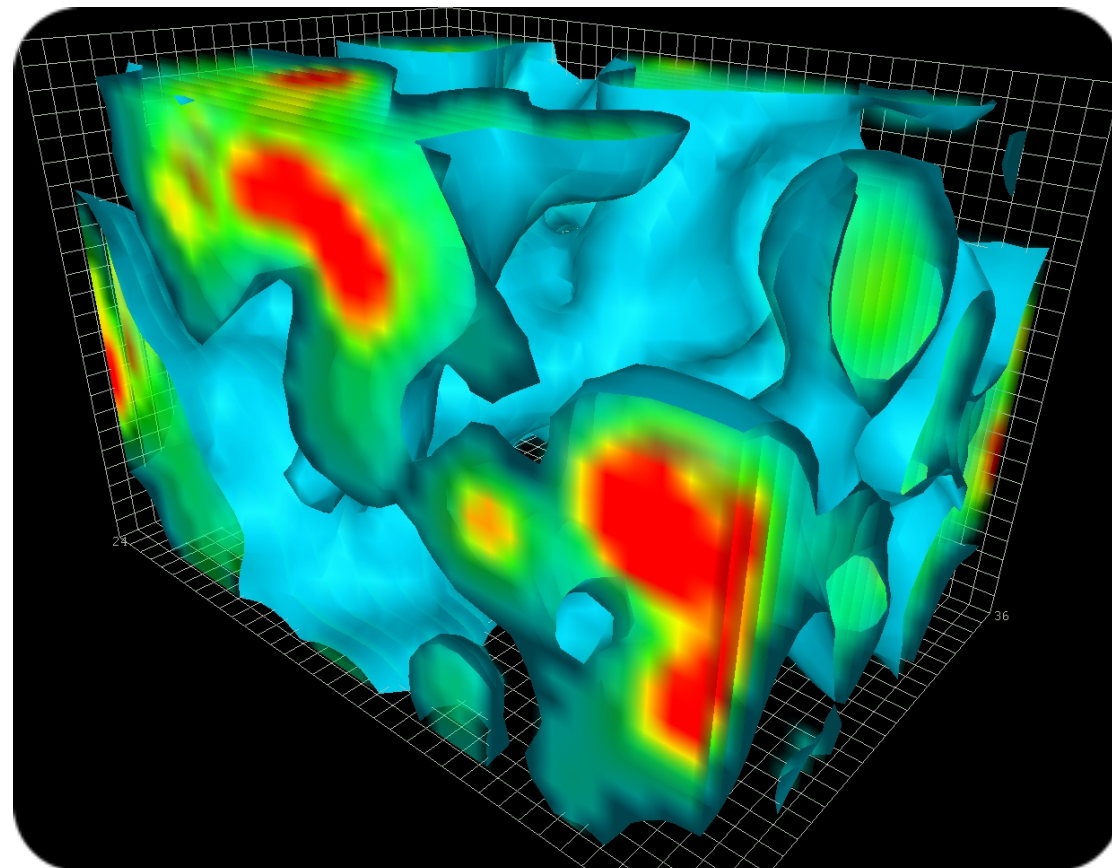
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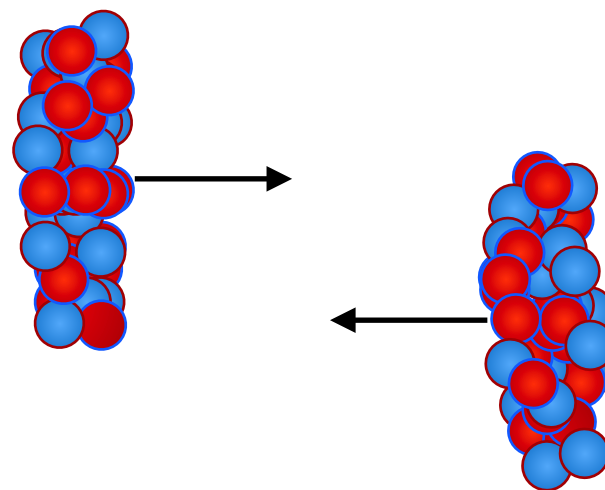
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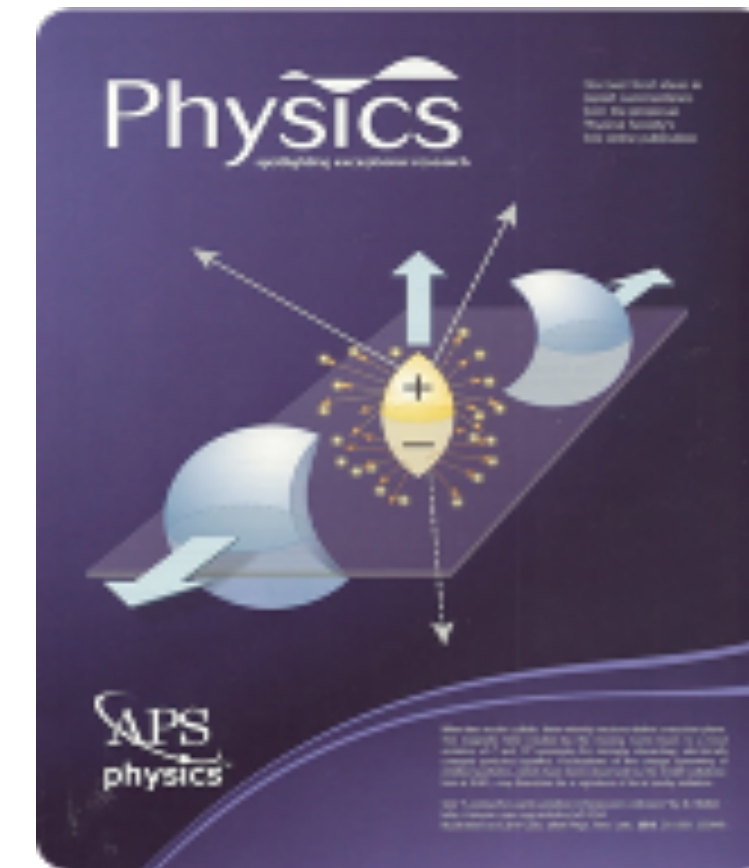


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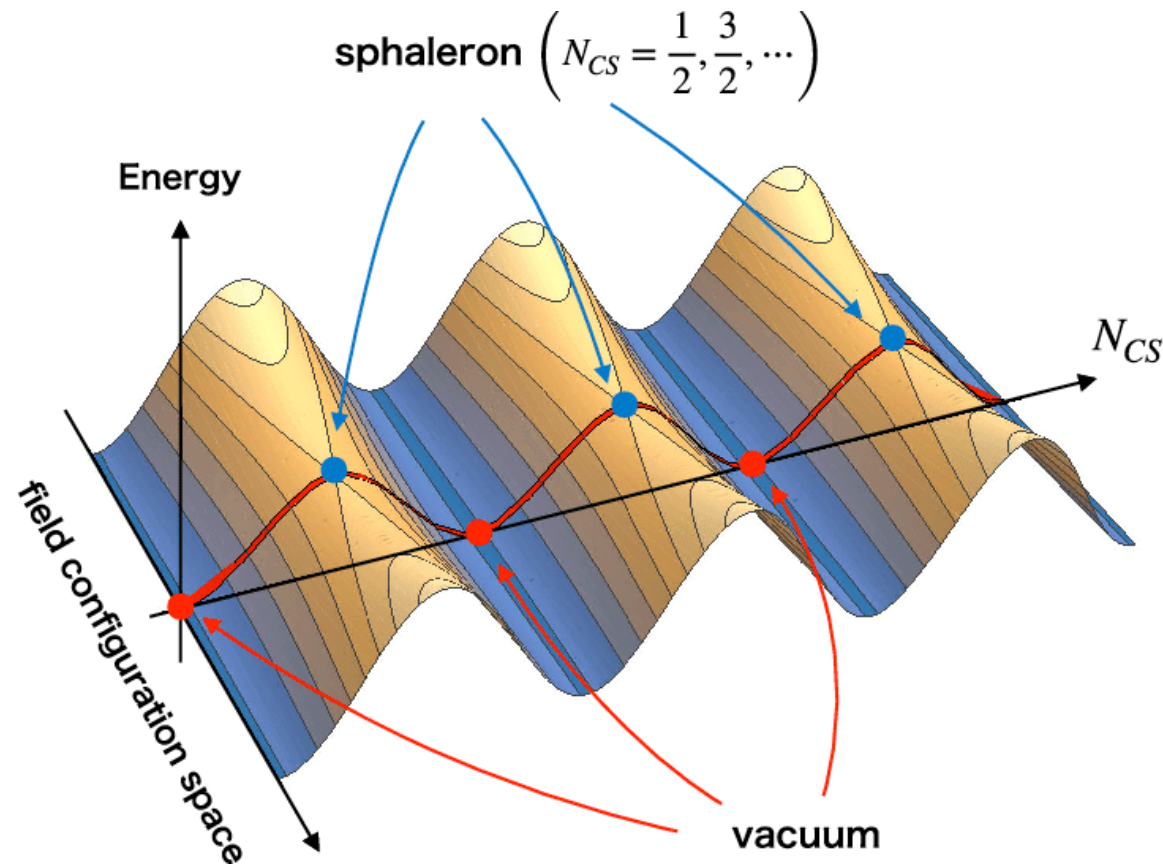


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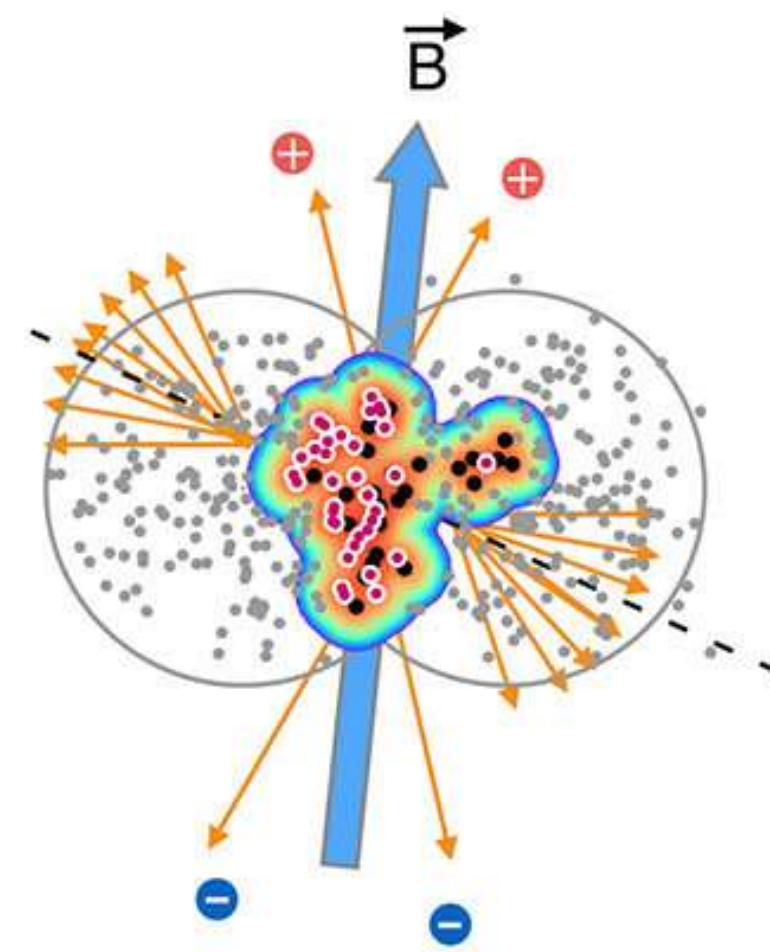


Chirality imbalance

$$\mu_5 = N_L - N_R$$

Anomalous transport

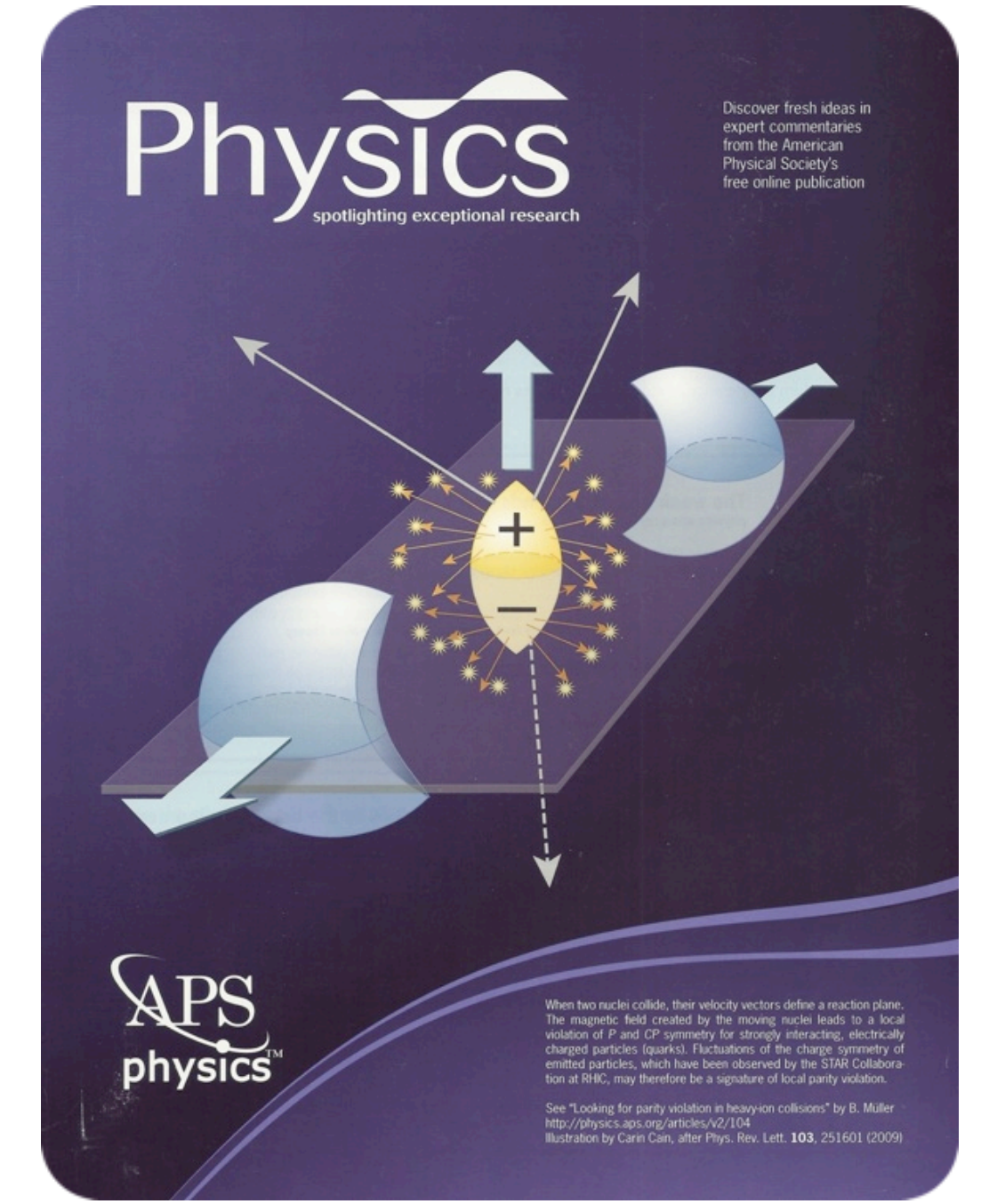
$$J = \frac{e^2}{2\pi^2} \mu_5 B$$



Magnetic field

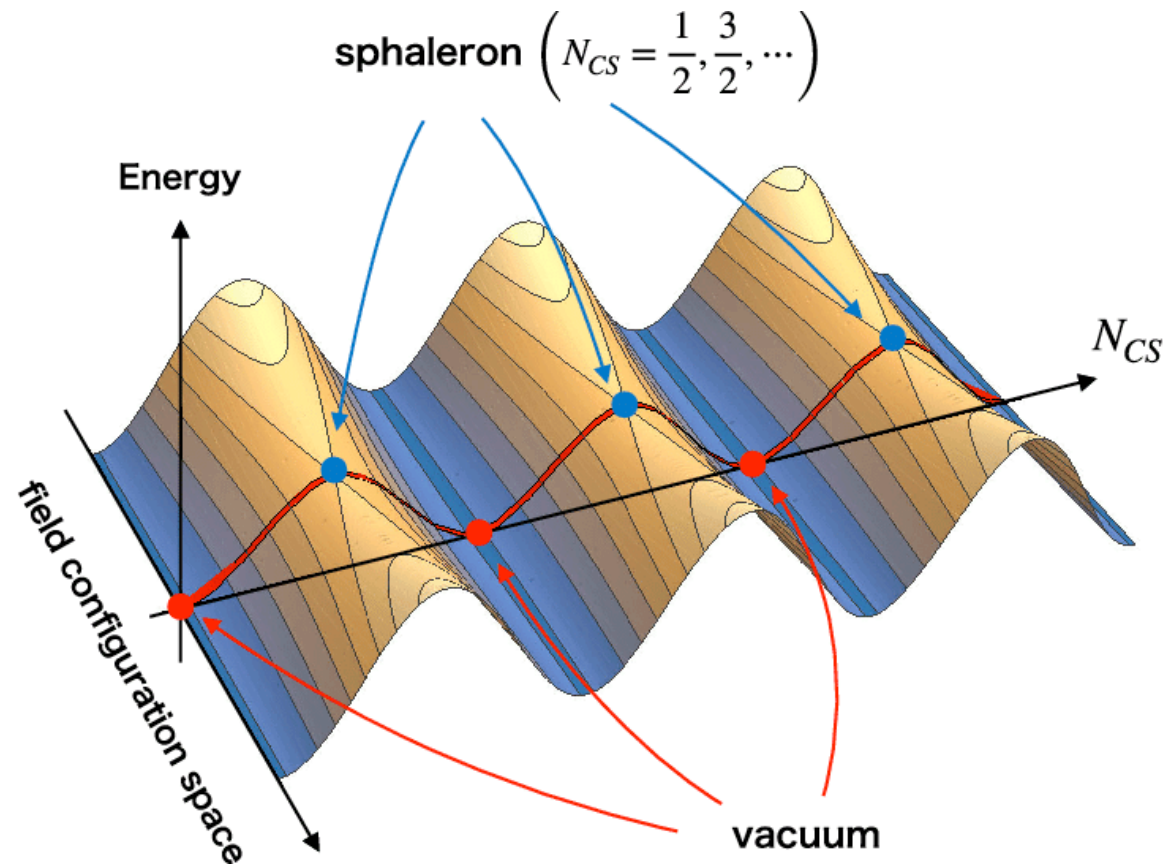
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For any YM field theory (e.g. QCD with SU(3)_c gauge symmetry) → the ground state is described as a superposition of different vacua

- Each of these states $|n\rangle$ is characterised by a winding number

$$Q_W = \frac{g}{32\pi^2} \int d^4x F_{\mu\nu}^\alpha \tilde{F}^{\alpha\mu\nu} \quad \tilde{F}_{\mu\nu}^\alpha = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} F^{\alpha\rho\sigma}$$

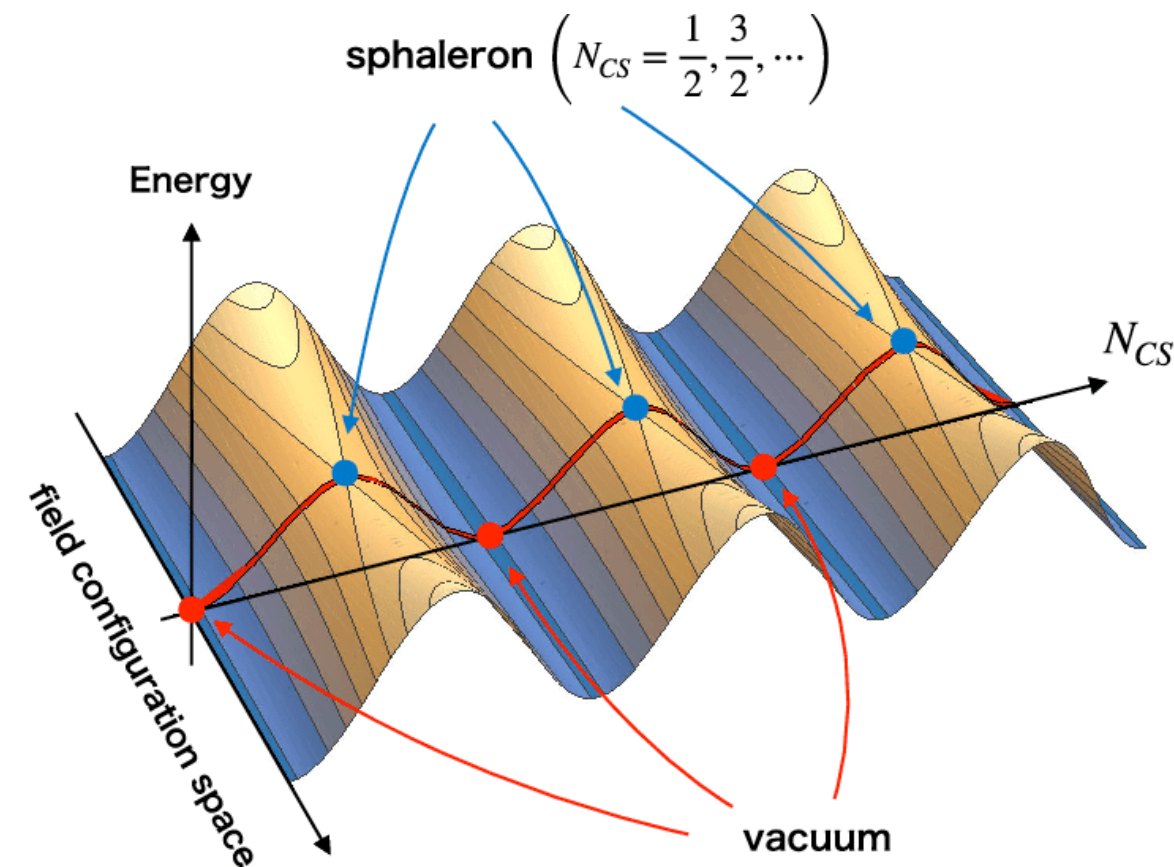
These states are periodic and “separated” by potential barriers

Transitions between these states can be done through

- Tunneling → instantons → $P \sim \exp(-E)$
- “Go-over” process → sphalerons → $P \sim e^{-(E_0/T)}$

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Physical implication:

- Baryon number violating transitions in E/W theory
 - Transitions happen at large temperatures ($\sim 200\text{GeV}$) \rightarrow relevant for the early Universe
 - Needed as one of the Sakharov conditions for matter-antimatter asymmetry
- In QCD these transitions lead to chirality not being conserved
 - At a scale of the order of the scale of the theory ($\sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$)
 - The axial chemical potential $\mu_5 = N_L - N_R$ is non-zero

Transitions take place at temperatures reached in heavy-ion collisions

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ON ANOMALOUS ELECTROWEAK BARYON-NUMBER NON-CONSERVATION IN THE EARLY UNIVERSE

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We estimate the rate of the anomalous electroweak baryon-number non-conserving processes in the cosmic plasma and find that it exceeds the expansion rate of the universe at $T > (\text{a few}) \times 10^2 \text{ GeV}$. We study whether these processes wash out the baryon asymmetry of the universe (BAU) generated at some earlier state (say, at GUT temperatures). We also discuss the possibility of BAU generation by the electroweak processes themselves and find that this does not take place if the electroweak phase transition is of second order. No definite conclusion is made for the strongly first-order phase transition. We point out that the BAU might be attributed to the anomalous decays of heavy ($M_F \geq M_W/\alpha_W$) fermions if these decays are unsuppressed.

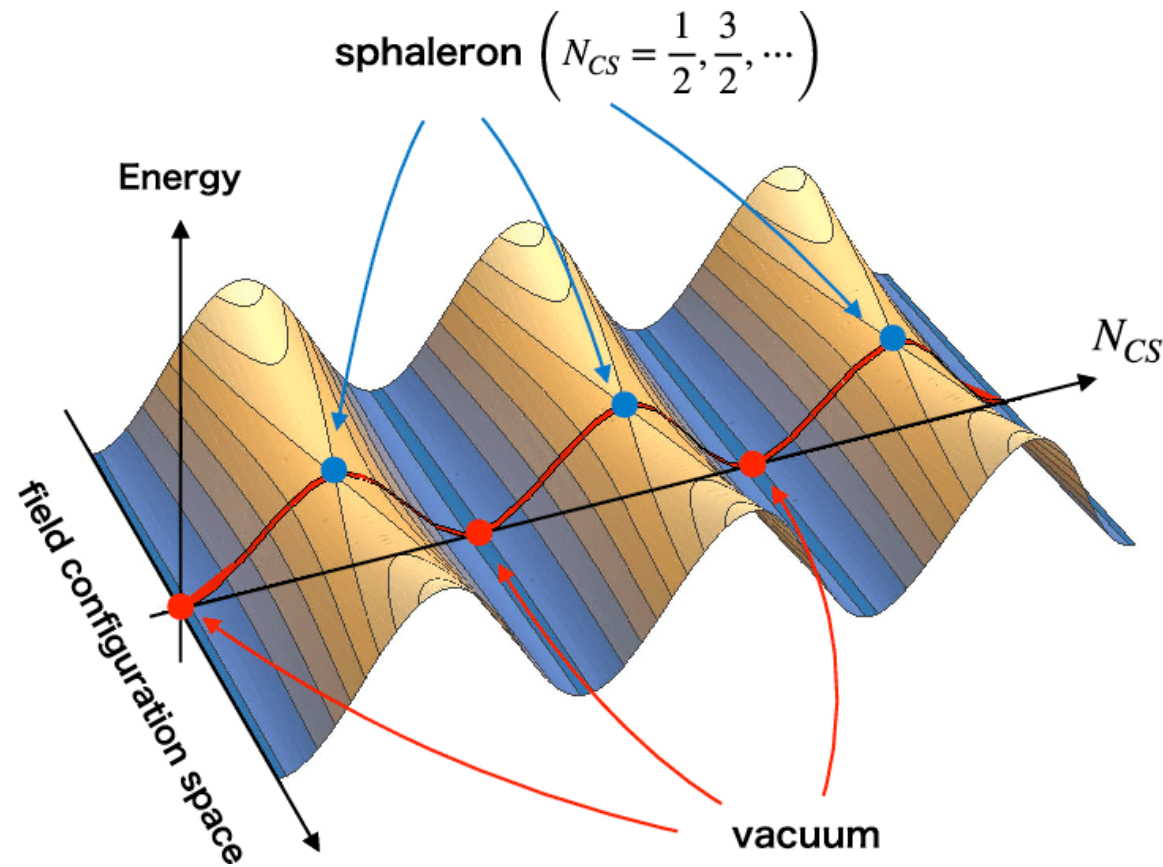
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VIOLATION OF CP INVARIANCE, C ASYMMETRY, AND BARYON ASYMMETRY OF THE UNIVERSE

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The theory of the expanding Universe, which presupposes a superdense initial state of matter, apparently excludes the possibility of macroscopic separation of matter from antimatter; it must therefore be assumed that there are no antimatter bodies in nature, i.e., the Universe is asymmetrical with respect to the number of particles and antiparticles (C asymmetry). In particular, the absence of antibaryons and the proposed absence of baryonic neutrinos implies a non-zero baryon charge (baryonic asymmetry). We wish to point out a possible explanation of C asymmetry in the hot model of the expanding Universe (see [1]) by making use of effects of CP invariance violation (see [2]). To explain baryon asymmetry, we propose in addition an approximate character for the baryon conservation law.

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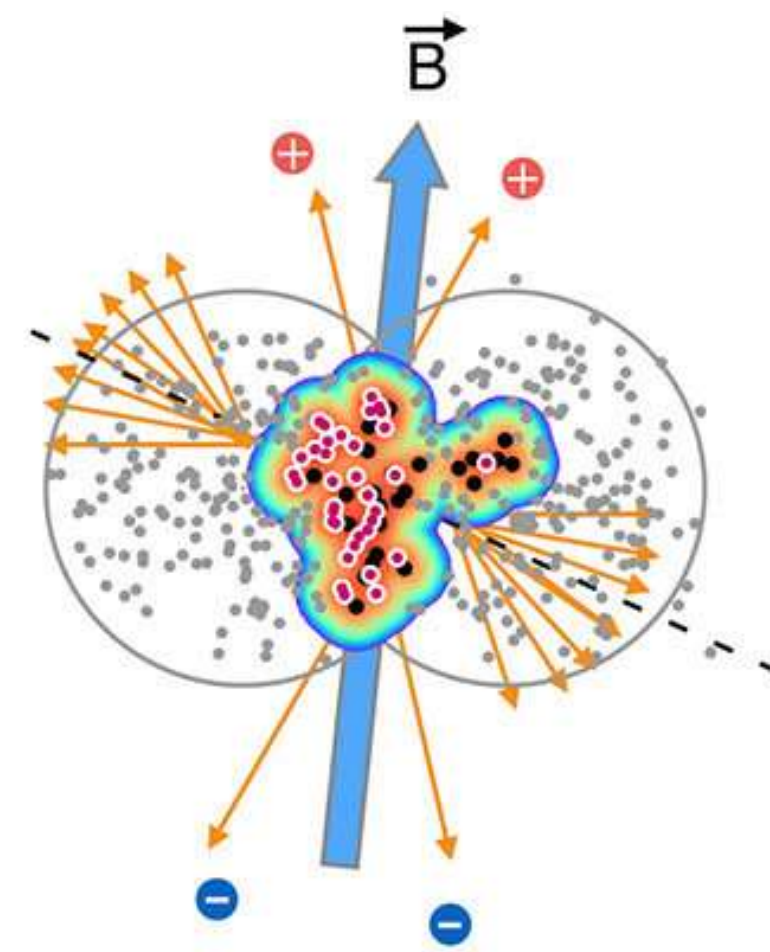


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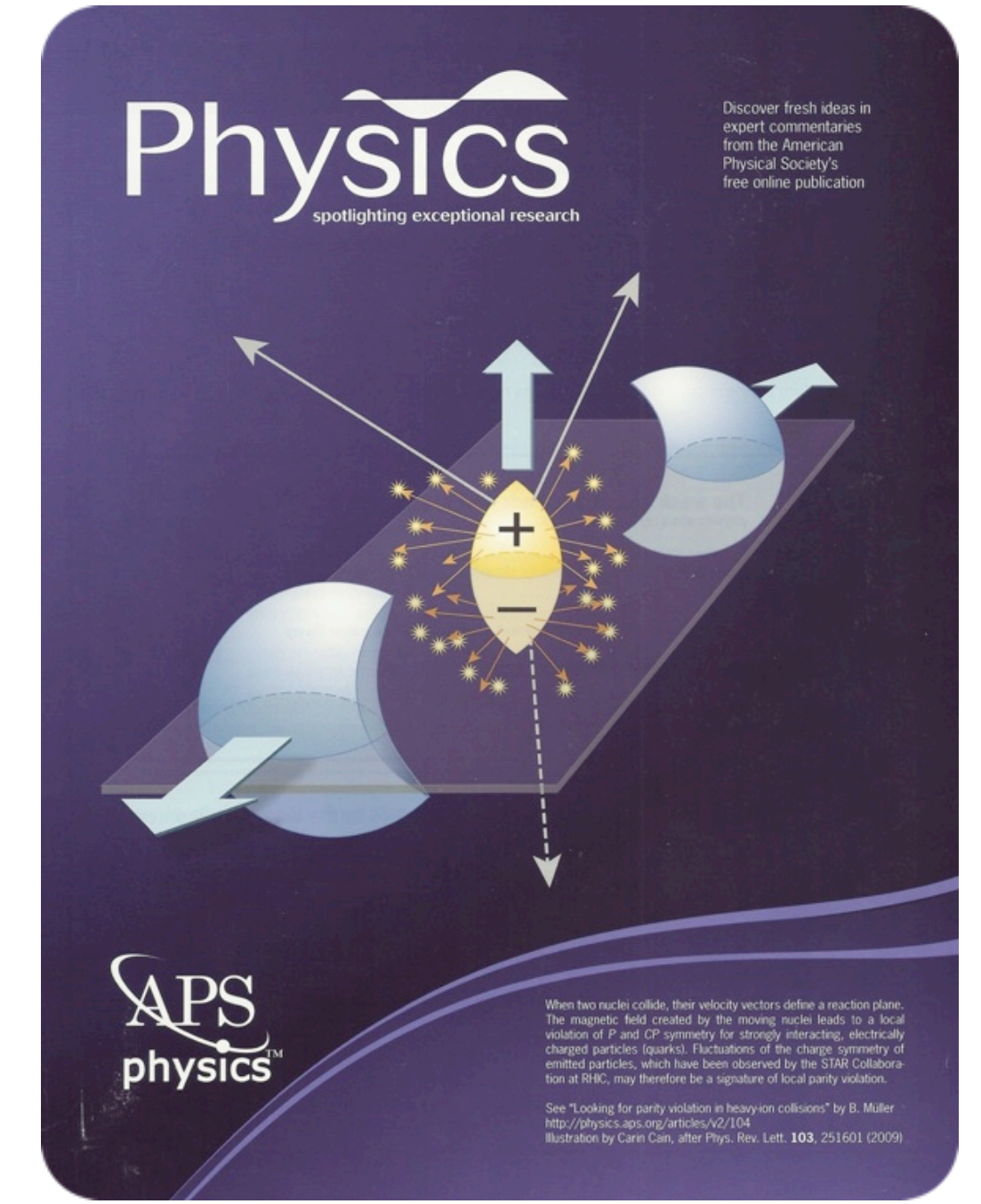
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THE STRONGEST MAGNETIC FIELD IN NATURE...

Heavy ion collisions: $\sim 10^{19}$ G

Au-Au collisions @ RHIC Pb-Pb collisions @ LHC

$$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\gamma = 100$$

$$Z = 79$$

$$b = R_{Au} \sim 7 \text{ fm}$$

$$eB \sim m_{\pi}^2$$

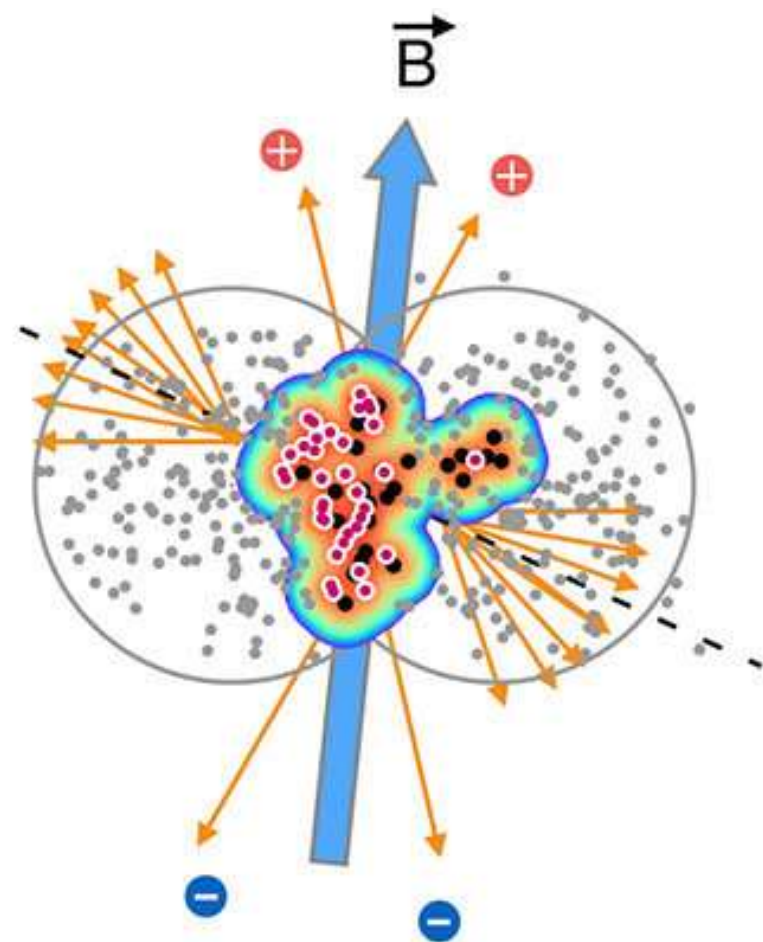
$$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\gamma = 1.38 \times 10^3$$

$$Z = 82$$

$$b = R_{Au} \sim 7 \text{ fm}$$

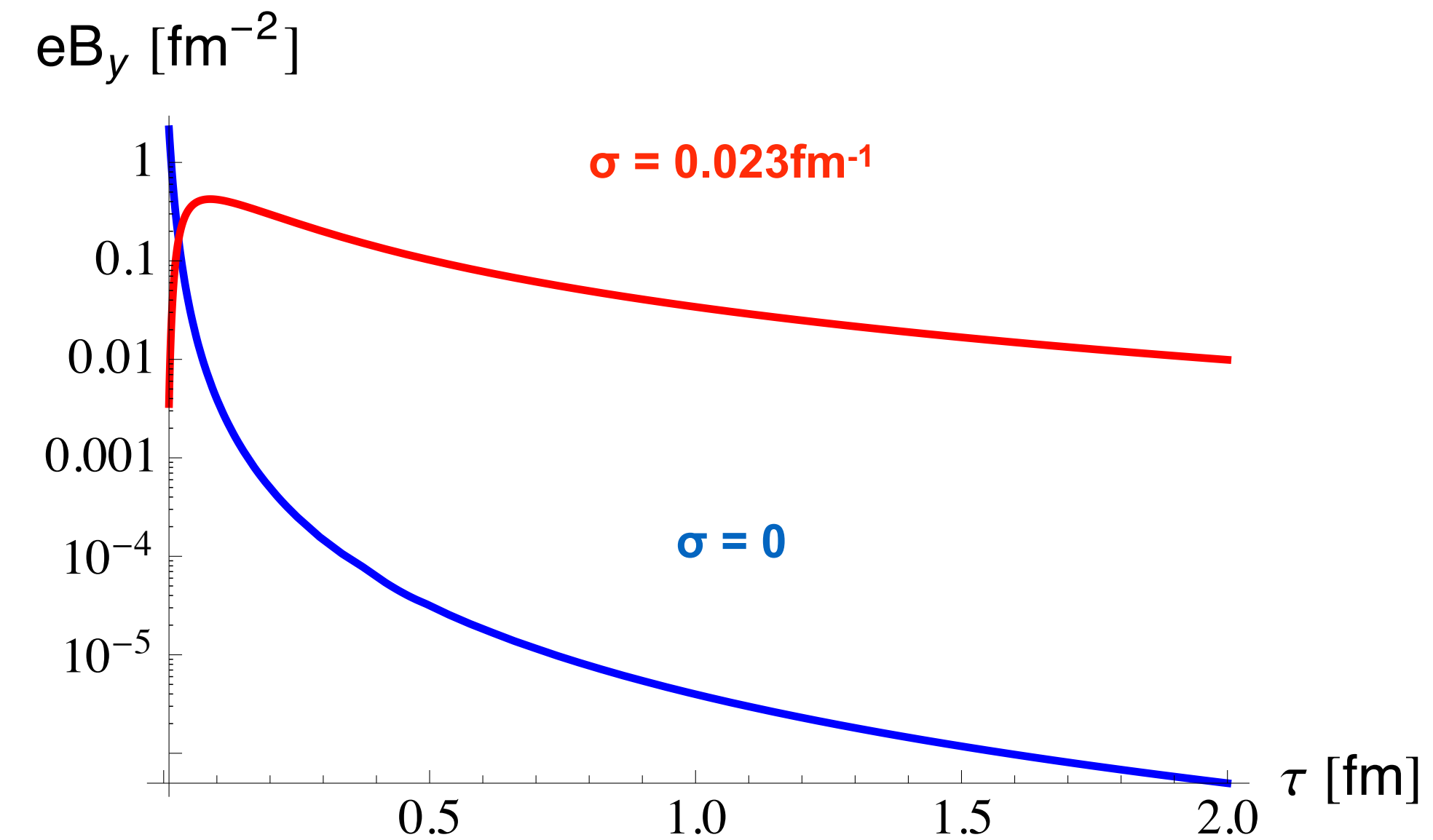
$$eB \sim 10 m_{\pi}^2$$



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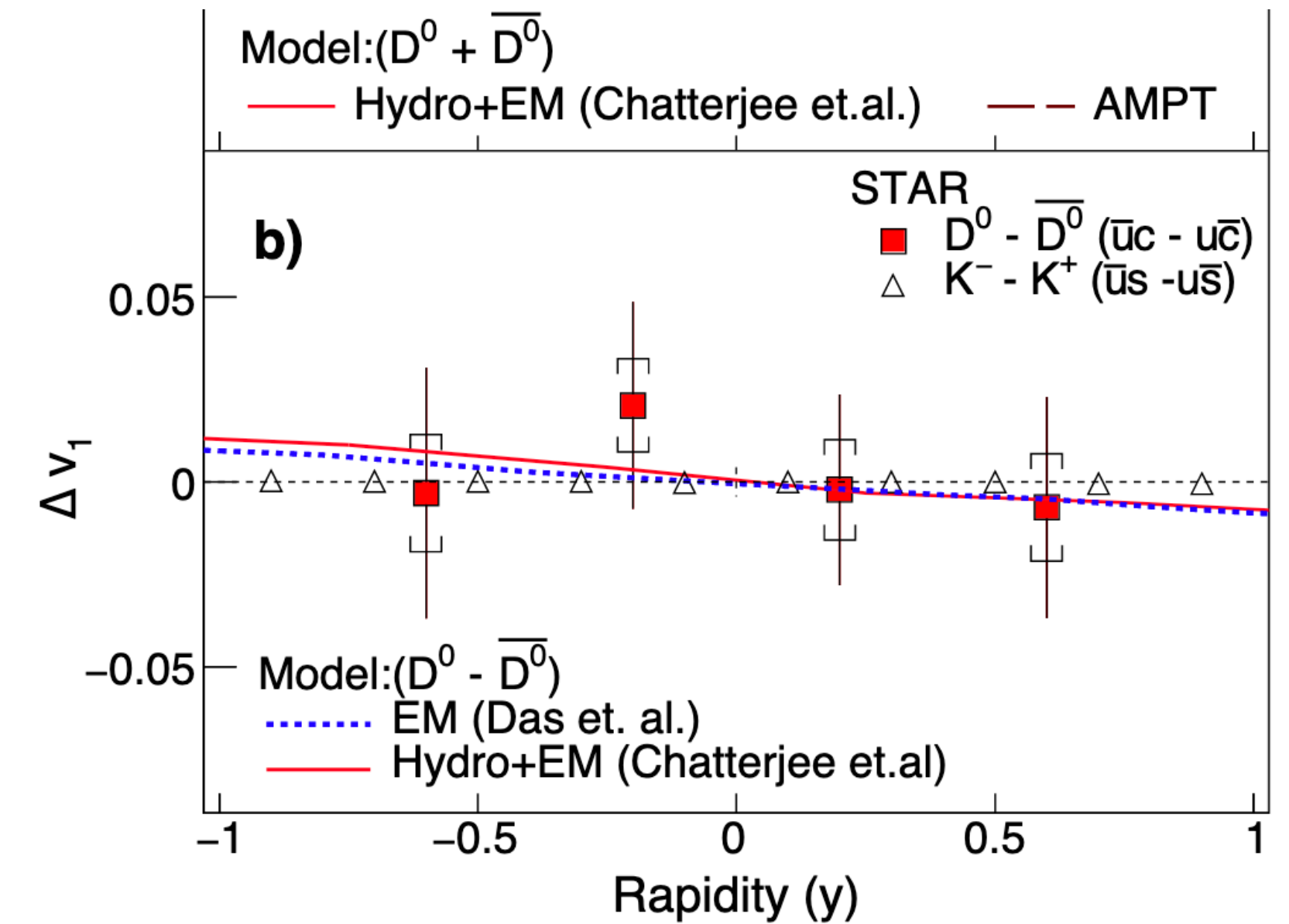
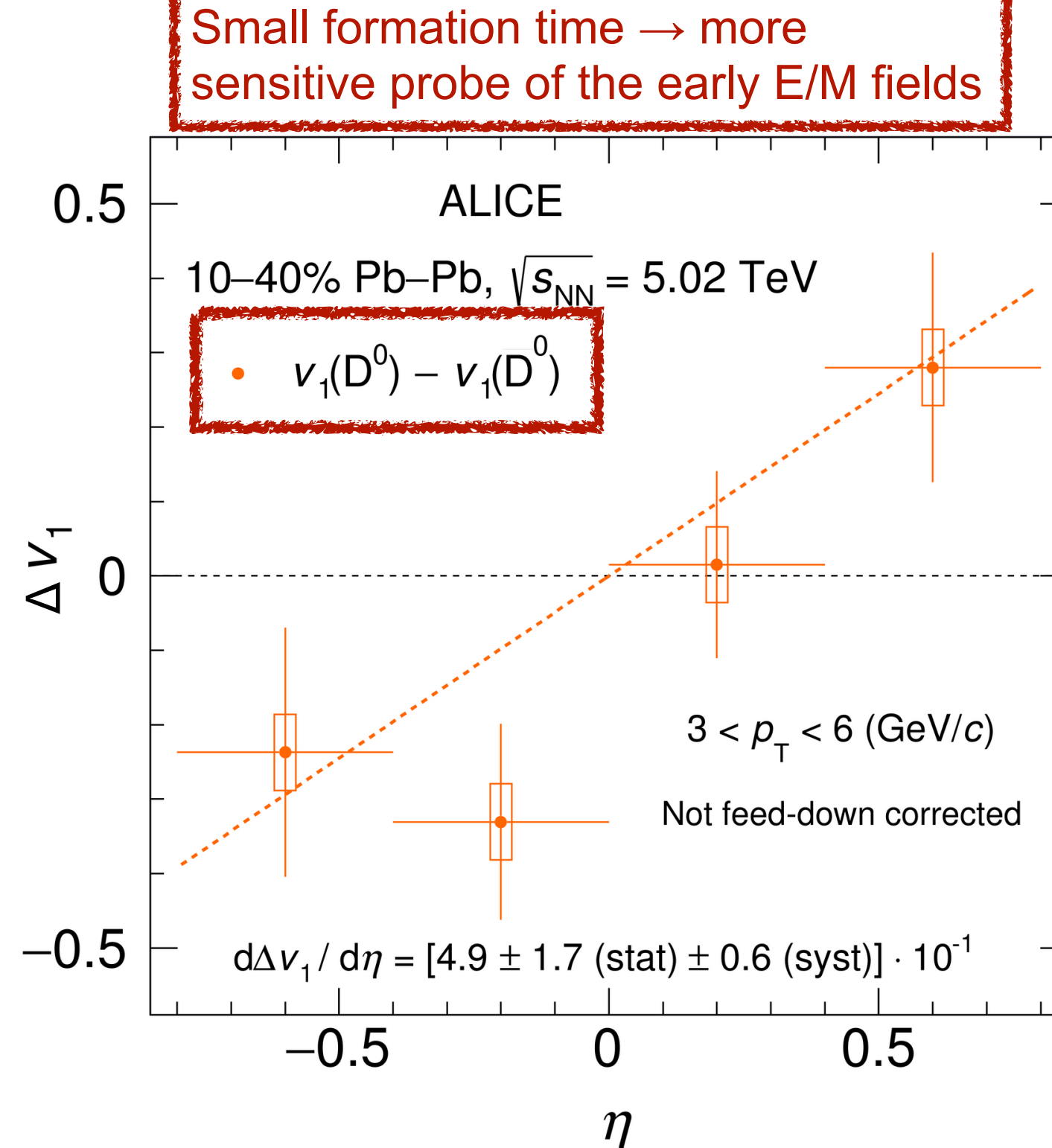
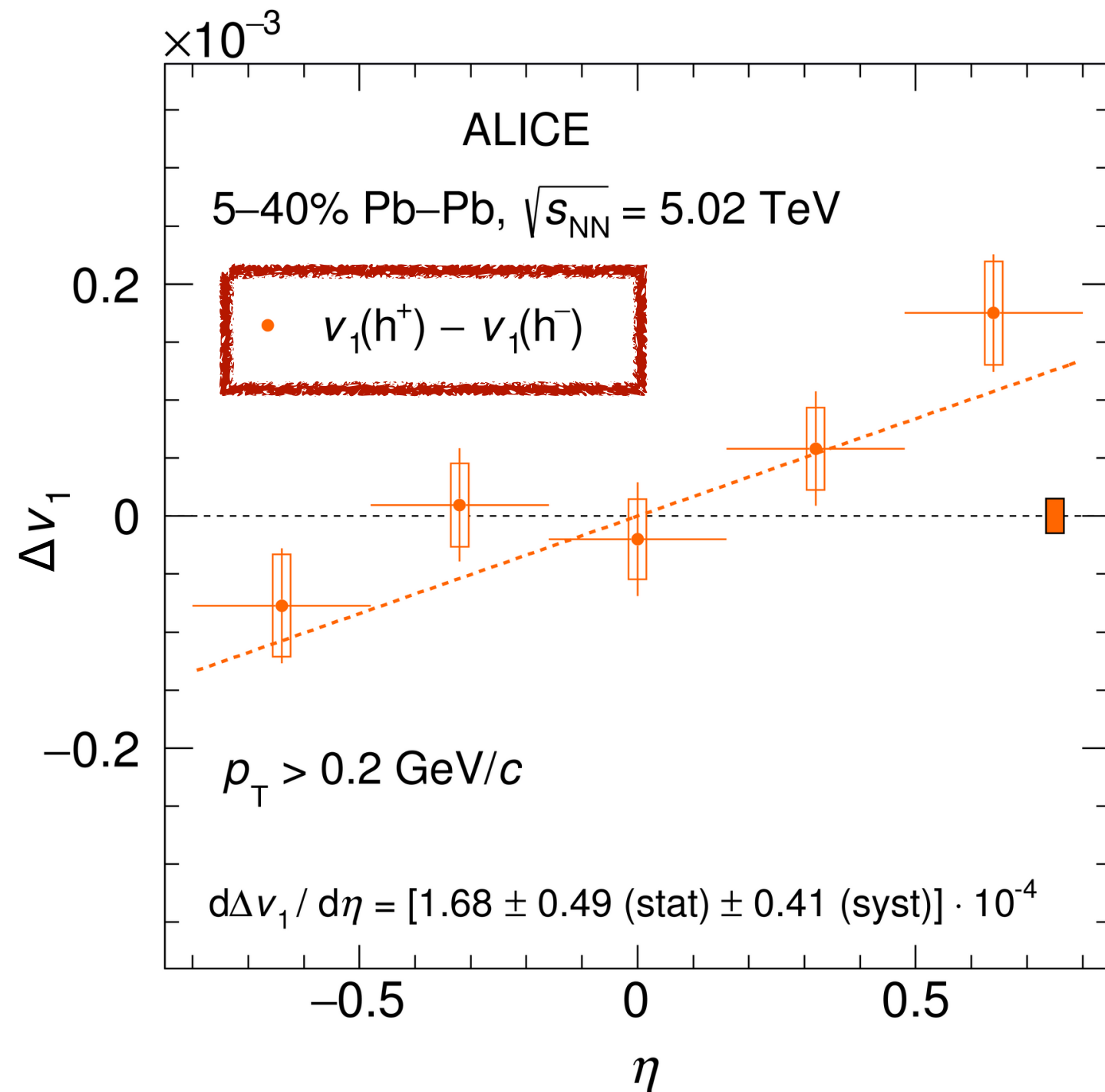


Decay rate depends on electric conductivity \rightarrow unconstrained experimentally

EXPERIMENTAL PROBE: CHARGE DEPENDENT V_N

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Effect @RHIC ~10 times smaller

Significant progress expected with the upcoming Run3 data @ LHC

$\Delta v_1 \neq 0$ with a 2.6σ significance

$\Delta v_1 \neq 0$ with a 2.7σ significance

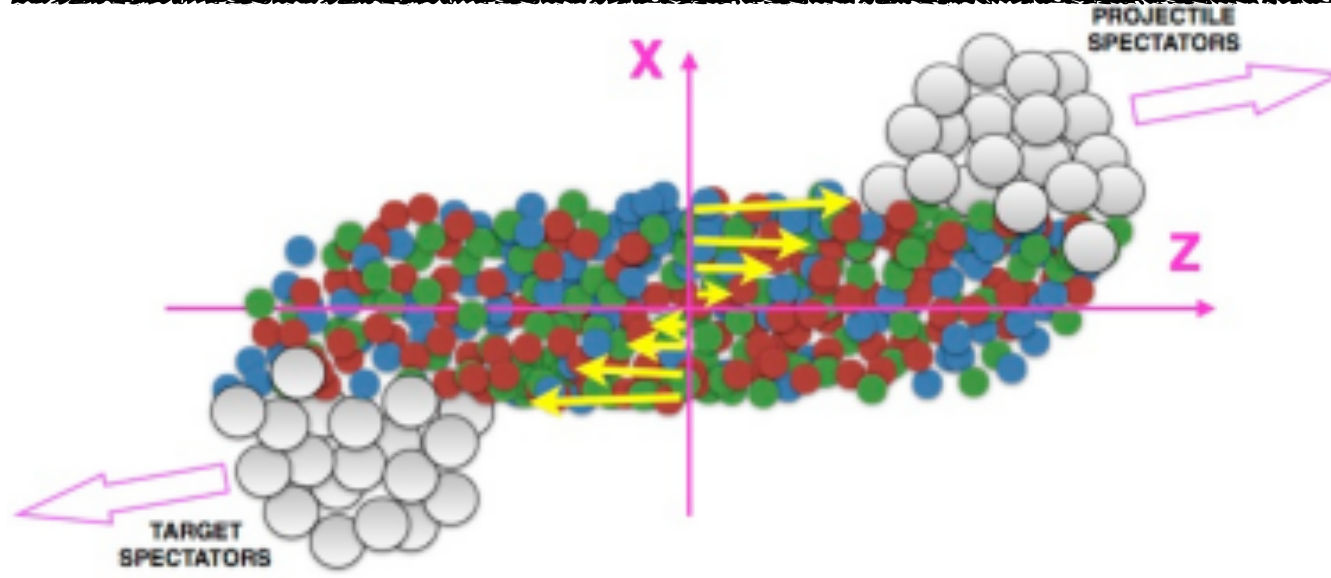
Magnitude smaller than theory expectation and sign reversed

- Larger contribution from the Lorentz force?

EXPERIMENTAL PROBE: GLOBAL POLARISATION

F. Becattini *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C77, (2008) 024906

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(ALICE Collaboration), Phys. Rev. C101 (2020) 044611



Large values of magnetic field and angular momentum at the initial stage of a HI collision
Part of L remains in the overlap region → rotating QGP
QGP exhibits vortical structure affected by the local velocity field
Spin proportional to magnetic moment

- Particles tend to be polarised along the initial angular momentum of the QGP
- Opposite effect for particles and antiparticles

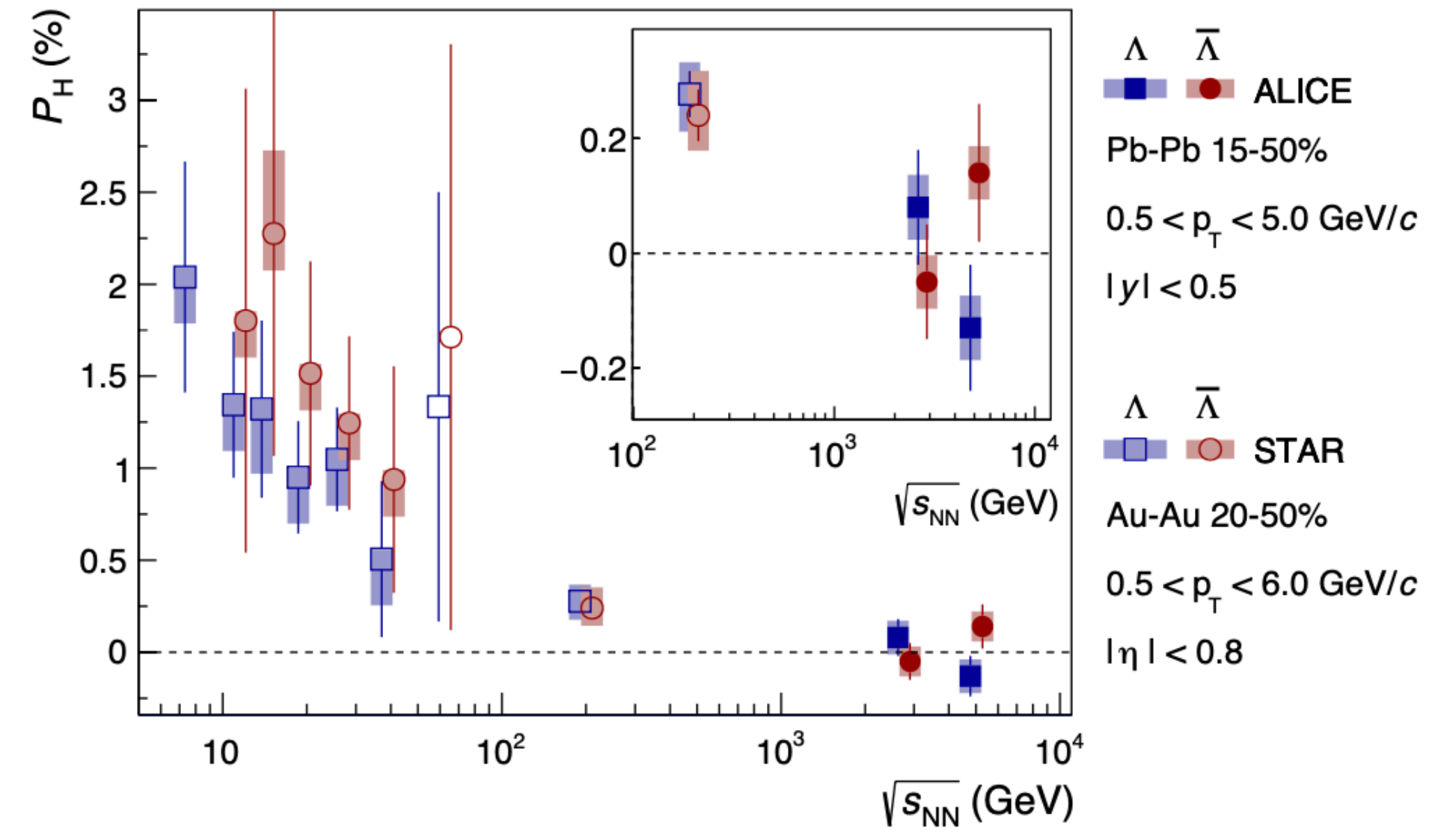
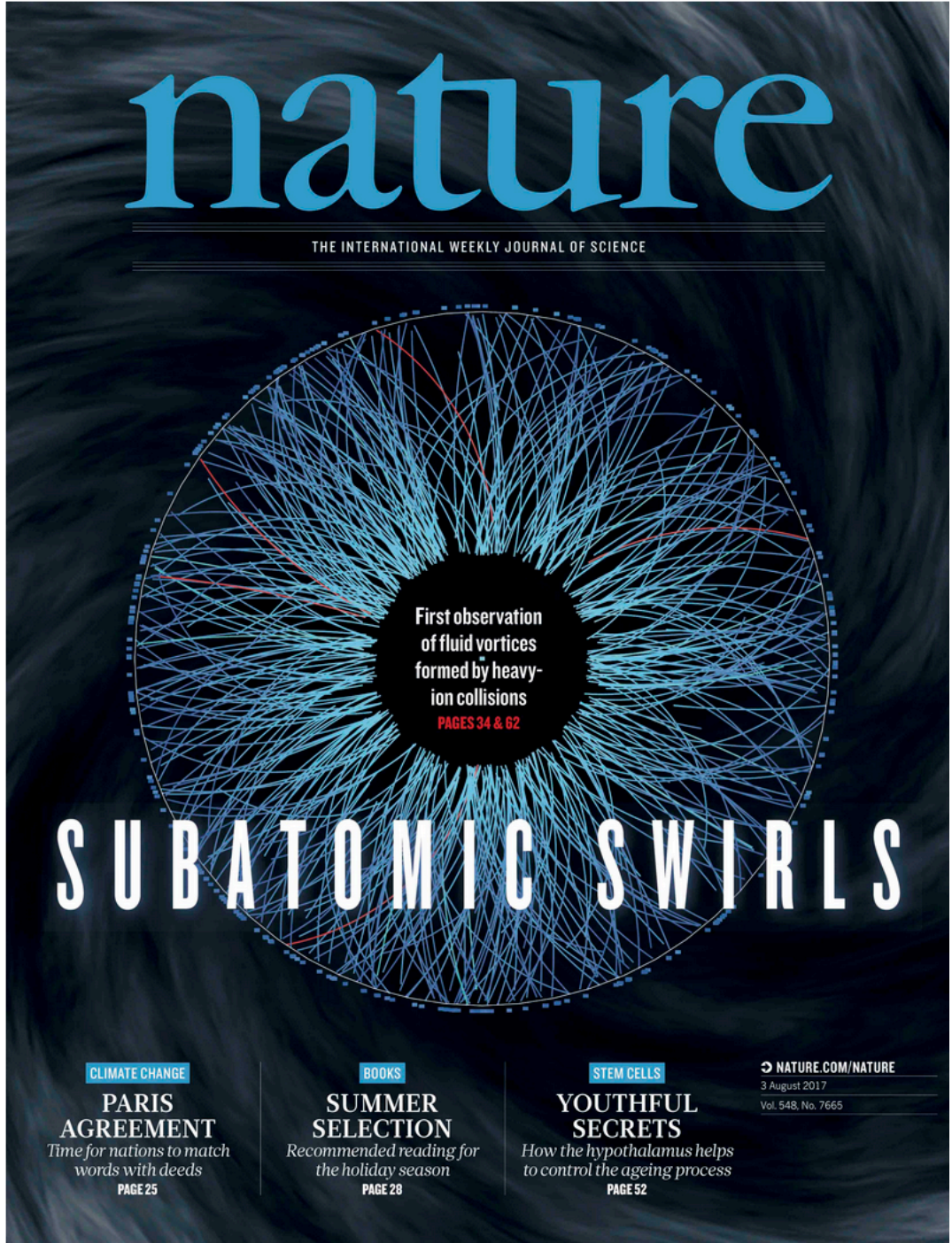
$$P_q^B \approx \mu_q \frac{B}{T} = \frac{Q_q}{2m_q} \frac{B}{T}$$

$$P_\Lambda \approx \frac{1}{2} \frac{\omega}{T} + \mu_\Lambda \frac{B}{T}$$

$$P_{\bar{\Lambda}} \approx \frac{1}{2} \frac{\omega}{T} - \mu_\Lambda \frac{B}{T}$$

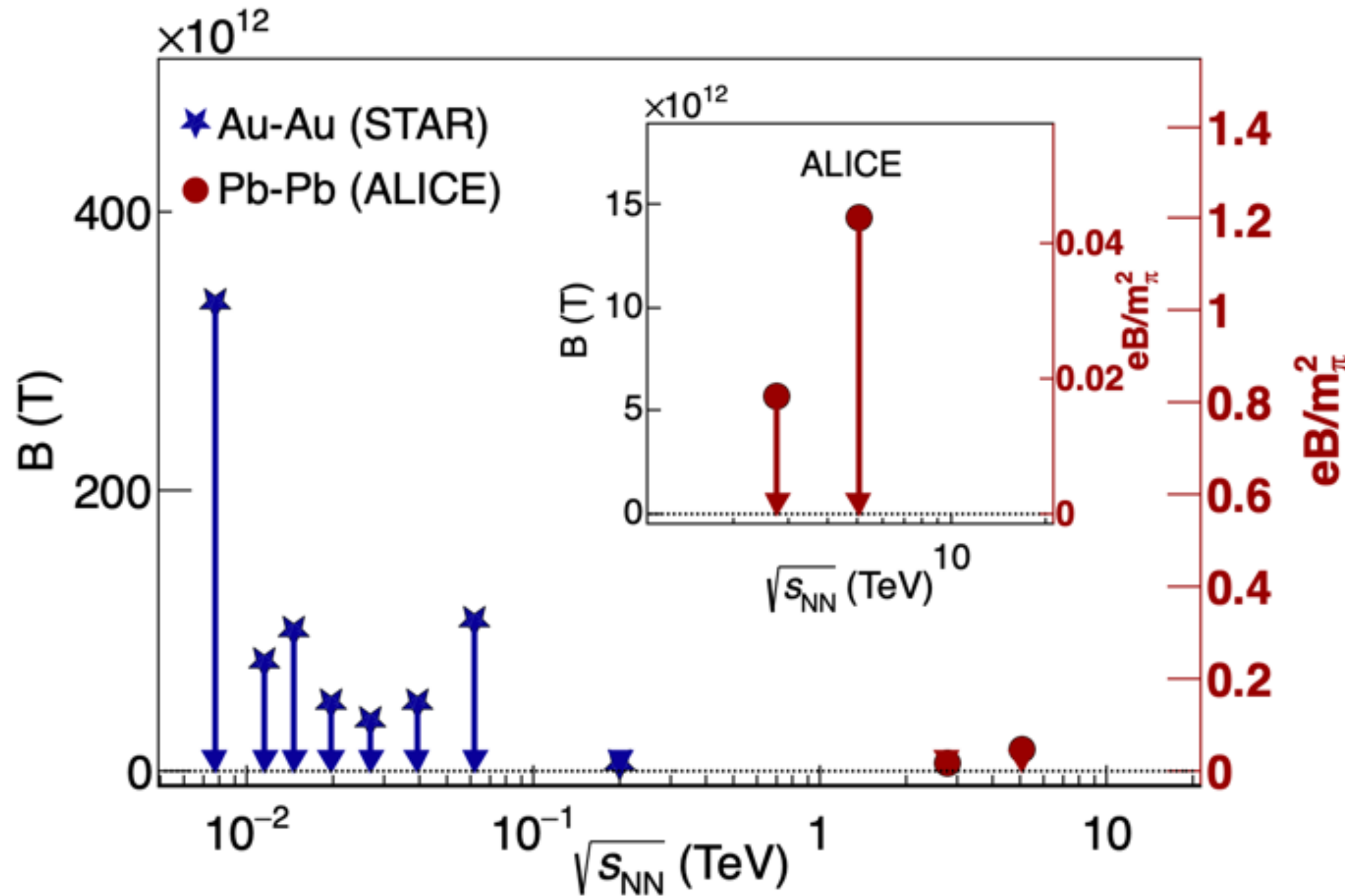
Significant reduction of P_H at the LHC energies relative to RHIC

No significant difference between Λ and anti- Λ → (still) not sensitive to effects due to magnetic field

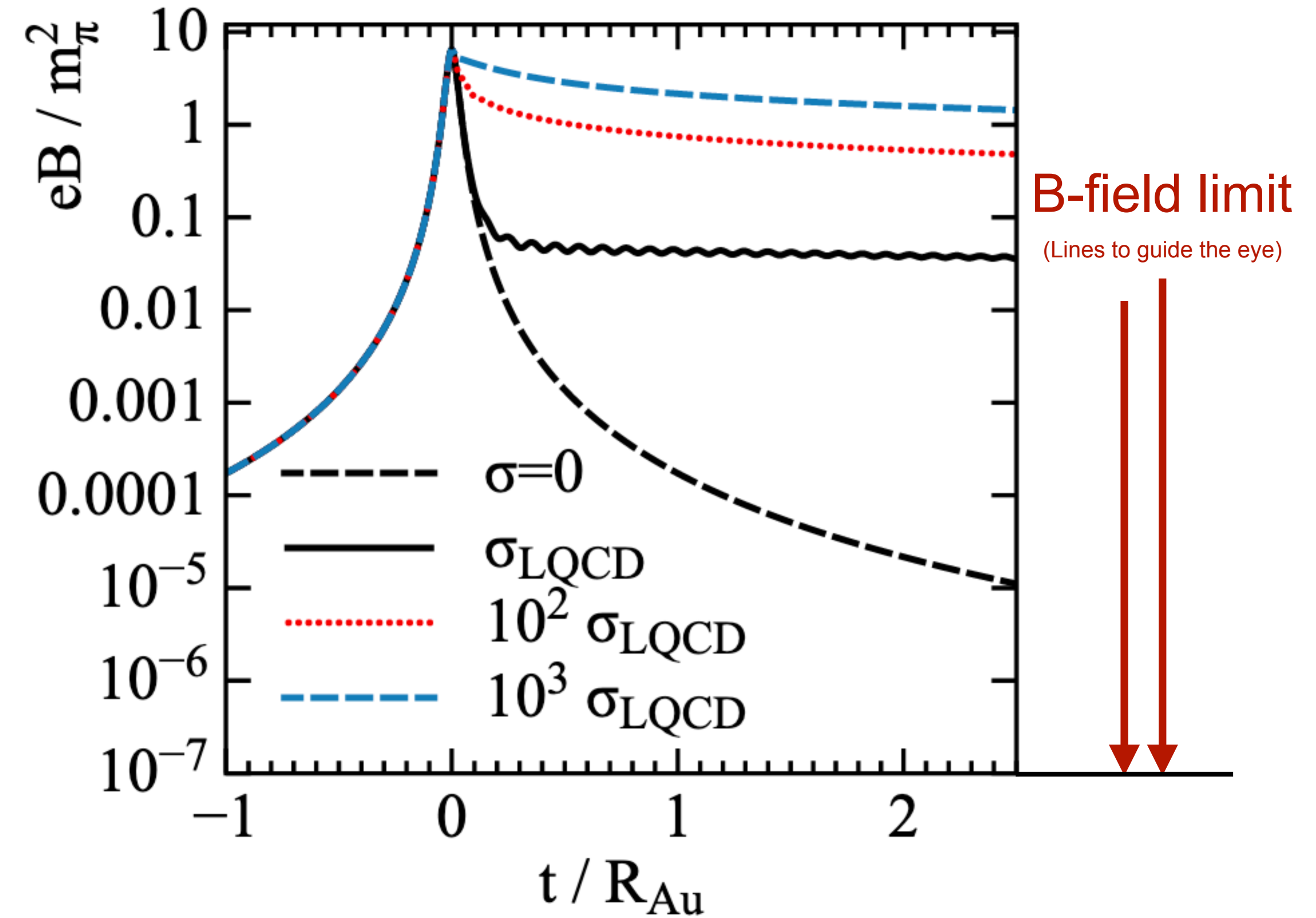


$$P_H = \frac{8}{\pi \alpha_H} \langle \sin(\Psi_{RP} - \varphi_p) \rangle$$

EXPERIMENTAL CONSTRAINTS ON B

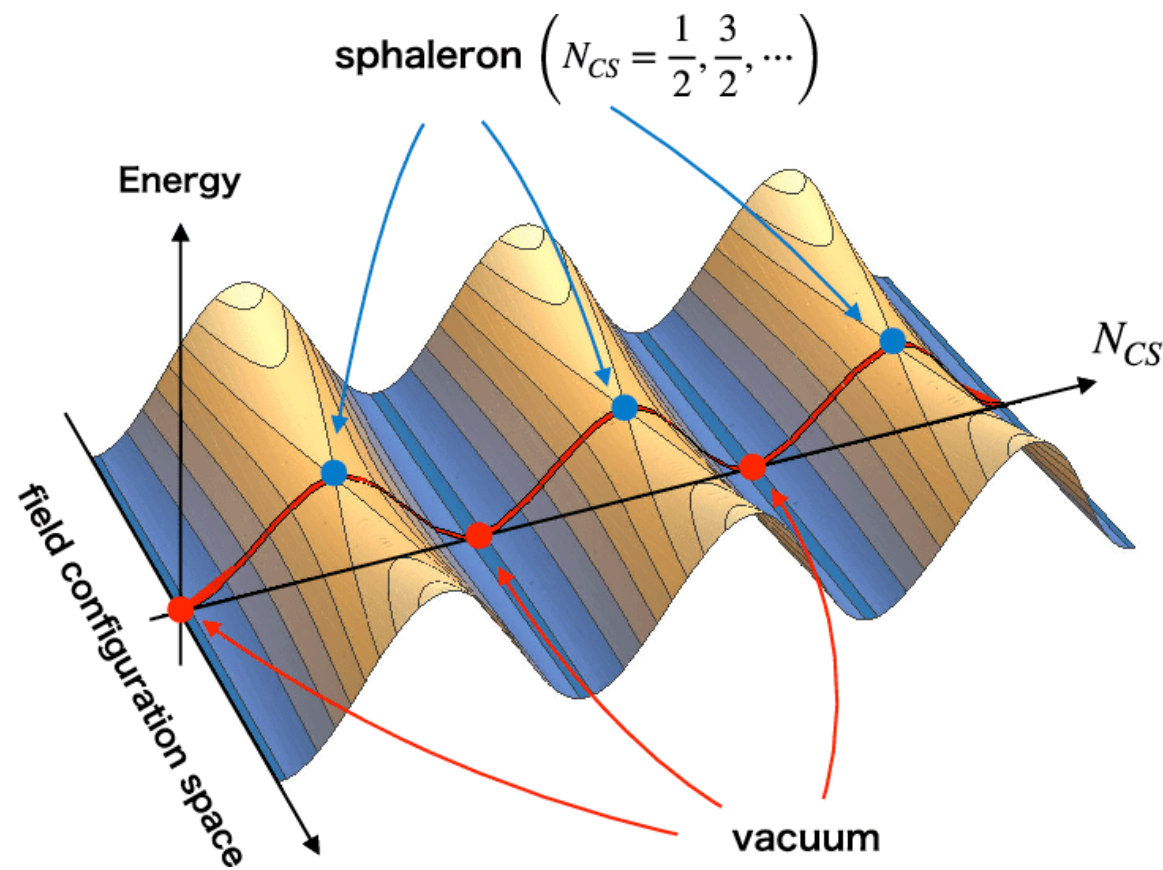


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Current measurements provide tight constraints on the value of B at freeze out

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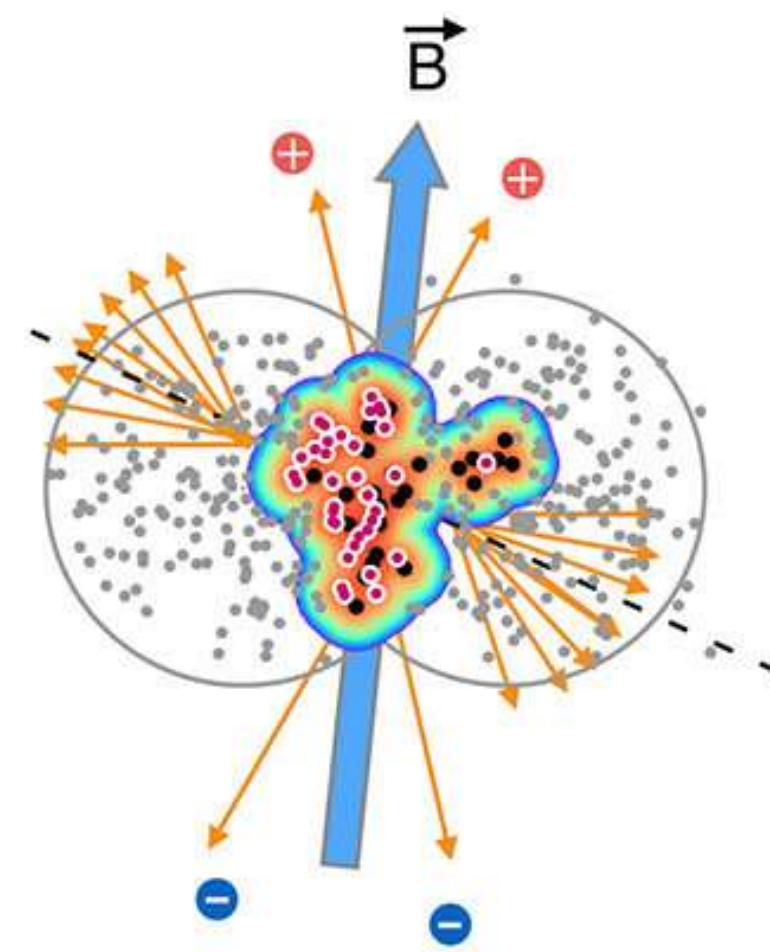


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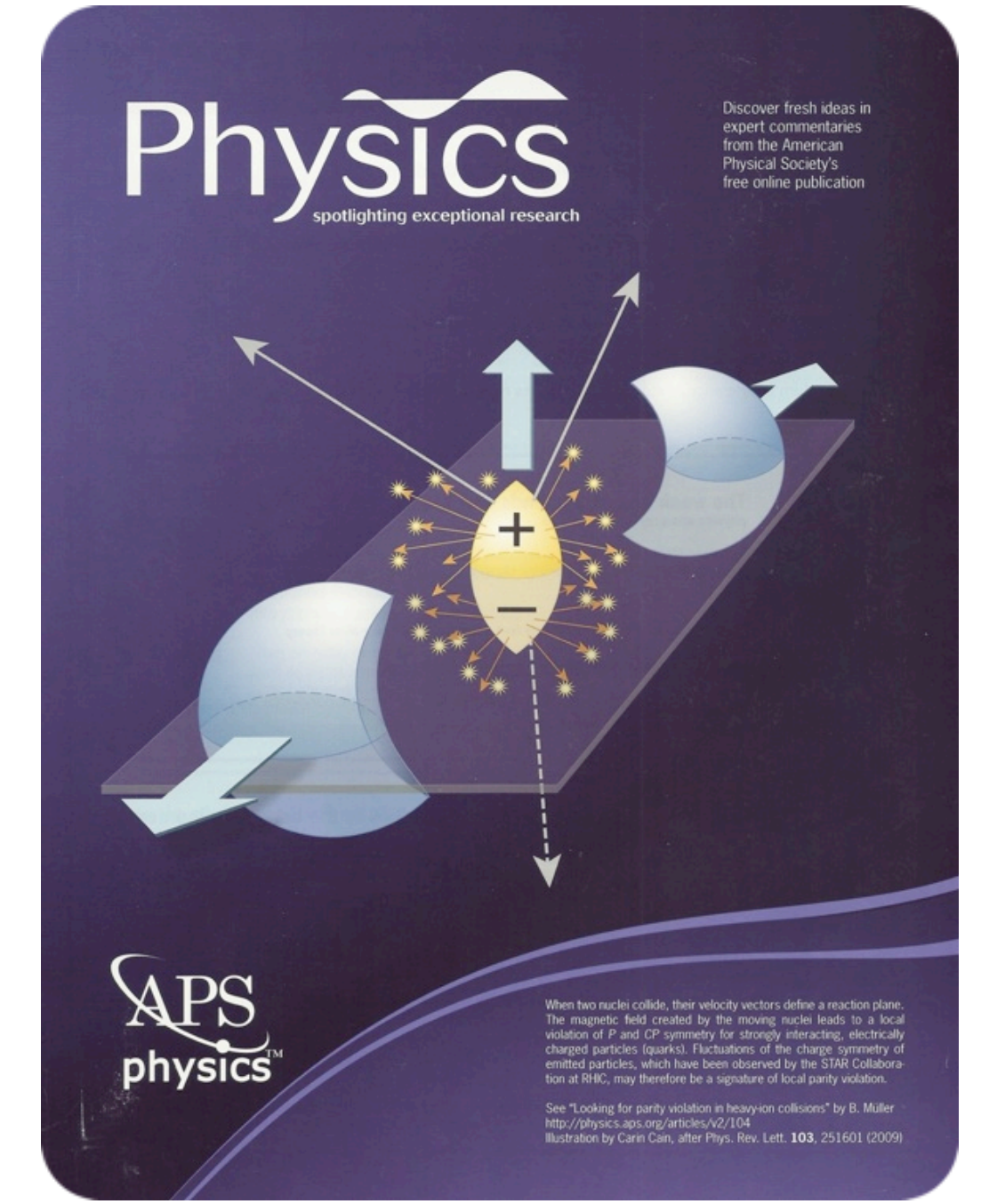
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$$\frac{dN_{\pm}}{d\varphi} \propto 1 + 2v_1 \cos(\varphi - \Psi_{RP}) + 2v_2 \cos[2(\varphi - \Psi_{RP})] + \dots$$

$$+ 2\alpha_{1,\pm} \sin(\varphi - \Psi_{RP}) + \dots$$

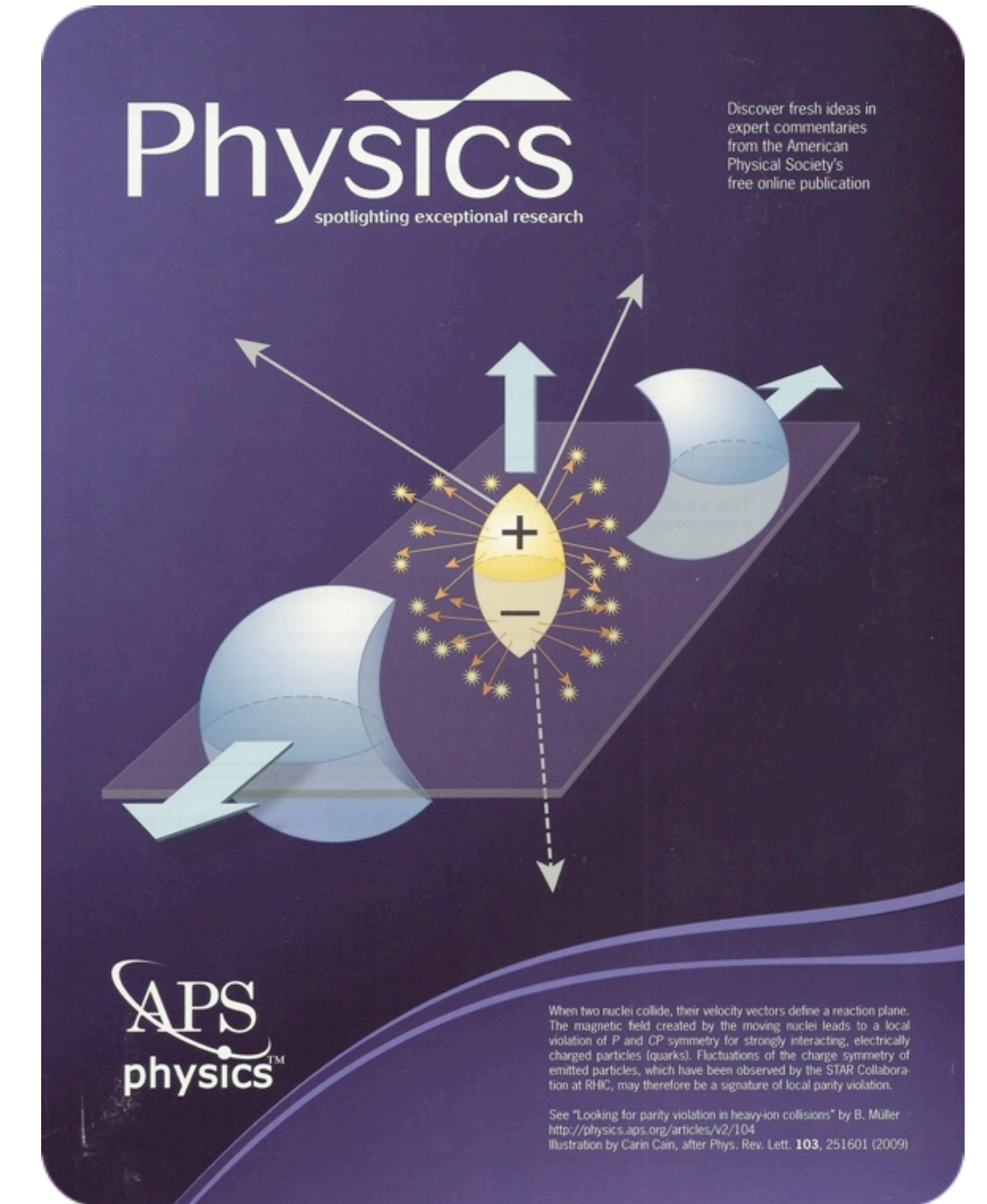
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Average over many events:

$$\langle a_{1,+} \rangle = \langle a_{1,-} \rangle = \langle \sin(\varphi - \Psi_{RP}) \rangle = 0$$

Instead measure correlations over many events:

$$\langle a_{1,\alpha} a_{1,\beta} \rangle = \langle \sin(\varphi_{\alpha} - \Psi_{RP}) \sin(\varphi_{\beta} - \Psi_{RP}) \rangle$$



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Parity violation in hot QCD: Why it can happen, and how to look for it

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Abstract

The arguments for the possibility of violation of \mathcal{P} and \mathcal{CP} symmetries of strong interactions at finite temperature are presented. A new way of observing these effects in heavy ion collisions is proposed—it is shown that parity violation should manifest itself in the asymmetry between positive and negative pions with respect to the reaction plane. Basing on topological considerations, we derive a *lower* bound on the magnitude of the expected asymmetry, which may appear within the reach of the current and/or future heavy ion experiments.

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The strong \mathcal{CP} problem remains one of the most outstanding puzzles of the Standard Model. Even though several possible solutions have been put forward (for example, the axion scenario [1]), at present it is still not clear why \mathcal{P} and \mathcal{CP} invariances are respected by strong interactions.

A few years ago, it was proposed that in the vicinity of the deconfinement phase transition QCD vacuum can possess metastable domains leading to \mathcal{P} and \mathcal{CP} violation [2]. It was also suggested that this phenomenon would manifest itself in specific correlations of pion momenta [2,3]. Such “ \mathcal{P} -odd bubbles” are a particular realization of an excited vacuum domain which may be produced in heavy ion collisions [4], and several other realizations have been proposed before [5,6]. (For related studies of metastable vacuum states, especially in supersymmetric theories, see [7–9].) However the peculiar pattern of \mathcal{P} and \mathcal{CP} breaking possessed by \mathcal{P} -odd bubbles may make them amenable to observation, as we will discuss in this letter.

The existence of metastable \mathcal{P} -odd bubbles does not contradict the Vafa–Witten theorem [10] stating that \mathcal{P} and \mathcal{CP} cannot be broken in the true ground state of QCD for $\theta = 0$. Moreover, this theorem does not apply to QCD matter at finite isospin density [11] and finite temperature [12], where Lorentz-noninvariant \mathcal{P} -odd operators are allowed to have nonzero ex-

pectation values. Degenerate vacuum states with opposite parity were found [13] in the superconducting phase of QCD. Parity broken phase also exists in lattice QCD with Wilson fermions [14], but this phenomenon has been recognized as a lattice artifact for the case of mass-degenerate quarks; spontaneous \mathcal{P} and \mathcal{CP} breaking similar to the Dashen’s phenomenon [15] can however occur for nonphysical values of quark masses [16]. \mathcal{P} -even, but \mathcal{C} -odd metastable states have also been argued to exist in hot gauge theories [17]. The conditions for the applicability of Vafa–Witten theorem have been repeatedly re-examined in recent years [18].

Several dynamical scenarios for the decay of \mathcal{P} -odd bubbles have been considered [19], and a numerical lattice calculation of the fluctuations of topological charge in classical Yang–Mills fields has been performed [20]. The studies of \mathcal{P} - and \mathcal{CP} -odd correlations of pion momenta [21,22], including those proposed in Ref. [23], have shown that such measurements are in principle feasible but would require large event samples. In addition, the magnitude of the expected effect despite the estimates done using the chiral Lagrangian approach [3] and a quasi-classical color field model [24] remained somewhat uncertain.

In this Letter, we will give additional arguments in favor of \mathcal{P} - and \mathcal{CP} -breaking in a domain of a highly excited vacuum state. A new way of observing \mathcal{P} -odd effects in experiment through the asymmetry in the production of charged pions with respect to the reaction plane will then be proposed. It appears

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HOW DO WE TRY TO DETECT IT?

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$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_{a,\beta} &\equiv \langle \cos(\varphi_a + \varphi_\beta - 2\Psi_{RP}) \rangle = \\ &\langle \cos[(\varphi_a - \Psi_{RP}) + (\varphi_\beta - \Psi_{RP})] \rangle = \\ &\langle \cos(\Delta\varphi_a + \Delta\varphi_\beta) \rangle = \\ &\langle \cos(\Delta\varphi_a) \cos(\Delta\varphi_\beta) \rangle - \langle \sin(\Delta\varphi_a) \sin(\Delta\varphi_\beta) \rangle = \\ &\langle v_{1,a} v_{1,\beta} \rangle + B_{in} - \langle \alpha_{1,a} \alpha_{1,\beta} \rangle - B_{out} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{a,\beta} &\equiv \langle \cos(\varphi_a - \varphi_\beta) \rangle = \\ &\langle \cos[(\varphi_a - \Psi_{RP}) - (\varphi_\beta - \Psi_{RP})] \rangle = \\ &\langle \cos(\Delta\varphi_a - \Delta\varphi_\beta) \rangle = \\ &\langle \cos(\Delta\varphi_a) \cos(\Delta\varphi_\beta) \rangle + \langle \sin(\Delta\varphi_a) \sin(\Delta\varphi_\beta) \rangle = \\ &\langle v_{1,a} v_{1,\beta} \rangle + B_{in} + \langle \alpha_{1,a} \alpha_{1,\beta} \rangle + B_{out} \end{aligned}$$

Parity violation in hot QCD: how to detect it

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In a recent paper (arXiv:hep-ph/0406125) entitled *Parity violation in hot QCD: why it can happen, and how to look for it*, D. Kharzeev argues for the possibility of \mathcal{P} - and/or \mathcal{CP} -violation effects in heavy-ion collisions, the effects that can manifest themselves via asymmetry in π^\pm production with respect to the direction of the system angular momentum. Here we present an experimental observable that can be used to detect and measure the effects.

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The possibility of strong \mathcal{P} - and \mathcal{CP} -violation in heavy ion collisions has been proposed first in [1]. Different experimental observables sensitive to the presence of \mathcal{P} - and/or \mathcal{CP} -odd domains in the deconfined QCD vacuum have been already discussed in the original papers and later in [2, 3]. Remarkably, all the observables which have been discussed are related in smaller or larger extent to the anisotropic flow study efforts. In general, \mathcal{P} - and \mathcal{CP} -symmetry violation effects proposed in [1] manifest itself via a non-statistical difference of the reaction planes reconstructed using different groups of particles, either of different charge, or in different kinematic regions. In symmetric nuclear collision (only those are discussed in this note) there should be only one plane of symmetry, and therefore any observation of the opposite would mean \mathcal{P} - and/or \mathcal{CP} -violation effects. Interestingly, many of the 'symmetry sensitive' quantities are routinely calculated in flow analyses for 'quality assurance' purposes (checking analysis consistency). No deviation from expectations based on symmetry with respect to the reaction plane has been observed so far.

However, refs. [1, 2, 3] do not discuss one important case, namely the possibility of preferential emission of particle/antiparticle, e.g. π^\pm , into opposite sides of the reaction plane. This happens to be exactly the observable signal of the \mathcal{P} - and \mathcal{CP} -breaking mechanism discussed by Kharzeev in his recent preprint [4]. Kharzeev argues that due to the parity violating interactions, the asymmetry in pion production along the direction of the system angular momentum (perpendicular to the reaction plane) could be as high as of the order of one percent in midcentral Au+Au collisions at RHIC. The orientation of the asymmetry (parallel or anti-parallel to the direction of the angular momentum) can change from event to event, and therefore the effect can be detected only by correlation study.

In this short note we propose to use for that purpose a technique that is well known in anisotropic flow analysis and usually referred to as mixed harmonics technique [5] or three particle correlations [6]. The essence of this technique is just in the isolation of correlations related to a given direction. Suppose that positive pions are emitted preferentially in positive y direction (along the angular momentum). The azimuthal distribution in this case can be written as $dN/d\phi \propto (1 + 2a \sin(\phi))$, where ϕ is the

particle emission azimuthal angle relative to the reaction plane (Ψ_{RP}), and the parameter a can be directly related to the asymmetry in pion production discussed in [4]: $A_{\pi^+} = \pi a/4 \approx Q/N_{\pi^+}$. In the latter expression Q is the topological charge ($Q \geq 1$) and N_{π^+} is the pion multiplicity in about one unit of rapidity [4]. For midcentral Au+Au collisions at RHIC $N_{\pi^+} \sim 100$ and these estimates yield a low limit on a of the order of one percent. Let us consider azimuthal correlation between particles a and b by evaluating the quantity

$$\begin{aligned} &\langle \cos(\phi_a - \Psi_2) \cos(\phi_b - \Psi_2) \\ &\quad - \sin(\phi_a - \Psi_2) \sin(\phi_b - \Psi_2) \rangle \quad (1) \\ &= \langle \cos(\phi_a + \phi_b - 2\Psi_2) \rangle = \langle v_{1,a} v_{1,b} - a_a a_b \rangle \langle \cos(2\Psi_2) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

where the average is taken over events, Ψ_2 is the second harmonic event plane, $\langle \cos(\Psi_2 - \Psi_{RP}) \rangle$ is the so called event plane resolution (how well on average one reconstructs the reaction plane from elliptic flow; for details see [5]). The final expression reflects the correlations along the two axes, one in the reaction plane (directed flow, characterized by $\langle \cos(\phi - \Psi_{RP}) \rangle \equiv v_1$) and perpendicular to the reaction plane – the manifestation of symmetry breaking discussed in [4]. All other correlations, being not sensitive to the orientation of the reaction plane, cancel out (for the systematic uncertainty in this statement see [6, 7] and discussion below). The proportionality to the reaction plane resolution reflects a decrease in correlations due to finite ability to resolve the true reaction plane orientation. If only one particle is used to determine the event plane the equation reduces to

$$\langle \cos(\phi_a + \phi_b - 2\phi_c) \rangle = \langle v_{1,a} v_{1,b} - a_a a_b \rangle v_{2,c}, \quad (2)$$

where the typical values of the parameter $v_{2,c}$, elliptic flow of particle of type c , is of the order of 0.04–0.05 for midcentral collisions. Equations (1) and (2) are usually employed for directed flow study [5, 6, 7]. The main advantage of these observables is their sensitivity to correlations in particle production along a given direction. As already discussed above, these observables represent the difference in correlations along the x and y axes, therefore any correlations that do not depend on the orientation with respect to the reaction plane cancel out. If

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Parity violation in hot QCD: how to detect it

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In a recent paper (arXiv:hep-ph/0406125) entitled *Parity violation in hot QCD: why it can happen, and how to look for it*, D. Kharzeev argues for the possibility of \mathcal{P} - and/or \mathcal{CP} -violation effects in heavy-ion collisions, the effects that can manifest themselves via asymmetry in π^\pm production with respect to the direction of the system angular momentum. Here we present an experimental observable that can be used to detect and measure the effects.

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The possibility of strong \mathcal{P} - and \mathcal{CP} -violation in heavy ion collisions has been proposed first in [1]. Different experimental observables sensitive to the presence of \mathcal{P} - and/or \mathcal{CP} -odd domains in the deconfined QCD vacuum have been already discussed in the original papers and later in [2, 3]. Remarkably, all the observables which have been discussed are related in smaller or larger extent to the anisotropic flow study efforts. In general, \mathcal{P} - and \mathcal{CP} -symmetry violation effects proposed in [1] manifest itself via a non-statistical difference of the reaction planes reconstructed using different groups of particles, either of different charge, or in different kinematic regions. In symmetric nuclear collision (only those are discussed in this note) there should be only one plane of symmetry, and therefore any observation of the opposite would mean \mathcal{P} - and/or \mathcal{CP} -violation effects. Interestingly, many of the 'symmetry sensitive' quantities are routinely calculated in flow analyses for 'quality assurance' purposes (checking analysis consistency). No deviation from expectations based on symmetry with respect to the reaction plane has been observed so far.

However, refs. [1, 2, 3] do not discuss one important case, namely the possibility of preferential emission of particle/antiparticle, e.g. π^\pm , into opposite sides of the reaction plane. This happens to be exactly the observable signal of the \mathcal{P} - and \mathcal{CP} -breaking mechanism discussed by Kharzeev in his recent preprint [4]. Kharzeev argues that due to the parity violating interactions, the asymmetry in pion production along the direction of the system angular momentum (perpendicular to the reaction plane) could be as high as of the order of one percent in midcentral Au+Au collisions at RHIC. The orientation of the asymmetry (parallel or anti-parallel to the direction of the angular momentum) can change from event to event, and therefore the effect can be detected only by correlation study.

In this short note we propose to use for that purpose a technique that is well known in anisotropic flow analysis and usually referred to as mixed harmonics technique [5] or three particle correlations [6]. The essence of this technique is just in the isolation of correlations related to a given direction. Suppose that positive pions are emitted preferentially in positive y direction (along the angular momentum). The azimuthal distribution in this case can be written as $dN/d\phi \propto (1 + 2a \sin(\phi))$, where ϕ is the

particle emission azimuthal angle relative to the reaction plane (Ψ_{RP}), and the parameter a can be directly related to the asymmetry in pion production discussed in [4]: $A_{\pi^+} = \pi a/4 \approx Q/N_{\pi^+}$. In the latter expression Q is the topological charge ($Q \geq 1$) and N_{π^+} is the pion multiplicity in about one unit of rapidity [4]. For midcentral Au+Au collisions at RHIC $N_{\pi^+} \sim 100$ and these estimates yield a low limit on a of the order of one percent. Let us consider azimuthal correlation between particles a and b by evaluating the quantity

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where the average is taken over events, Ψ_2 is the second harmonic event plane, $\langle \cos(\Psi_2 - \Psi_{RP}) \rangle$ is the so called event plane resolution (how well on average one reconstructs the reaction plane from elliptic flow; for details see [5]). The final expression reflects the correlations along the two axes, one in the reaction plane (directed flow, characterized by $\langle \cos(\phi - \Psi_{RP}) \rangle \equiv v_1$) and perpendicular to the reaction plane – the manifestation of symmetry breaking discussed in [4]. All other correlations, being not sensitive to the orientation of the reaction plane, cancel out (for the systematic uncertainty in this statement see [6, 7] and discussion below). The proportionality to the reaction plane resolution reflects a decrease in correlations due to finite ability to resolve the true reaction plane orientation. If only one particle is used to determine the event plane the equation reduces to

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Theory expectations (signal)

$$a_1 \propto \frac{Q}{N_{\text{ch}}} \simeq 10^{-2}$$

$$\langle a_{1,\alpha} a_{1,\beta} \rangle \simeq 10^{-4}$$

$$\langle a_{1,+} a_{1,+} \rangle \simeq \langle a_{1,-} a_{1,-} \rangle \simeq -\langle a_{1,+} a_{1,-} \rangle$$

$$\langle a_{1,\alpha} a_{1,\beta} \rangle (\text{centrality}) \simeq \frac{f(\mathbf{B})}{N_{\text{ch}}}$$

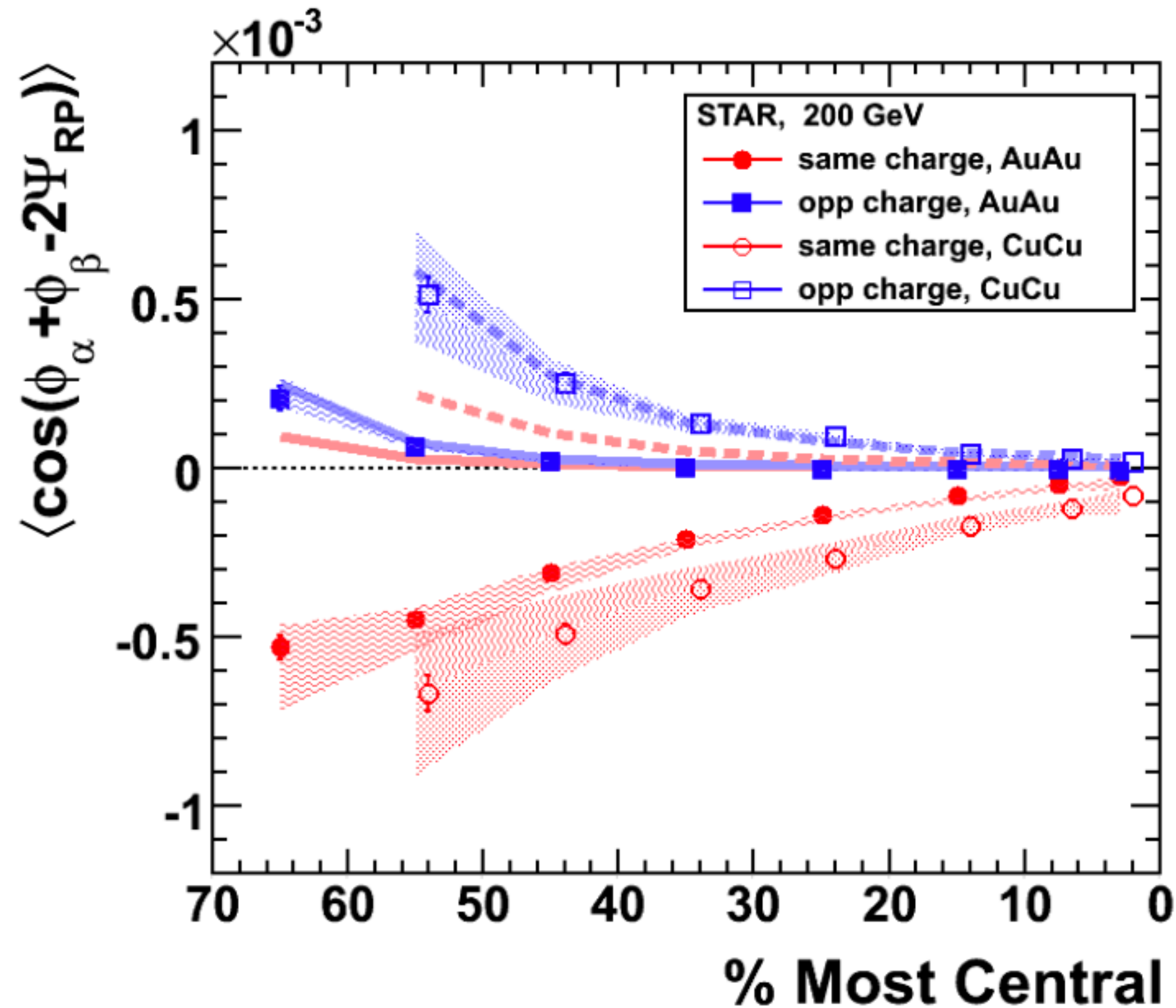
Theory expectations (bkg)

$$\mathbf{B}_{\text{in}} - \mathbf{B}_{\text{out}} \propto v_{2,\text{cluster}} \langle \cos(\varphi_\alpha + \varphi_\beta - 2\varphi_{\text{cluster}}) \rangle$$

Background suppressed by a factor of $v_2 \sim 0.1$

FIRST EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS @ RHIC

(STAR Collaboration), Phys. Rev. Lett. **103**, 251601 (2009)



Significant charge dependent correlations measured for the first time at RHIC

Qualitatively consistent with initial expectations for a small CME signal

System size dependence consistent with the dilution (N_{ch}) picture

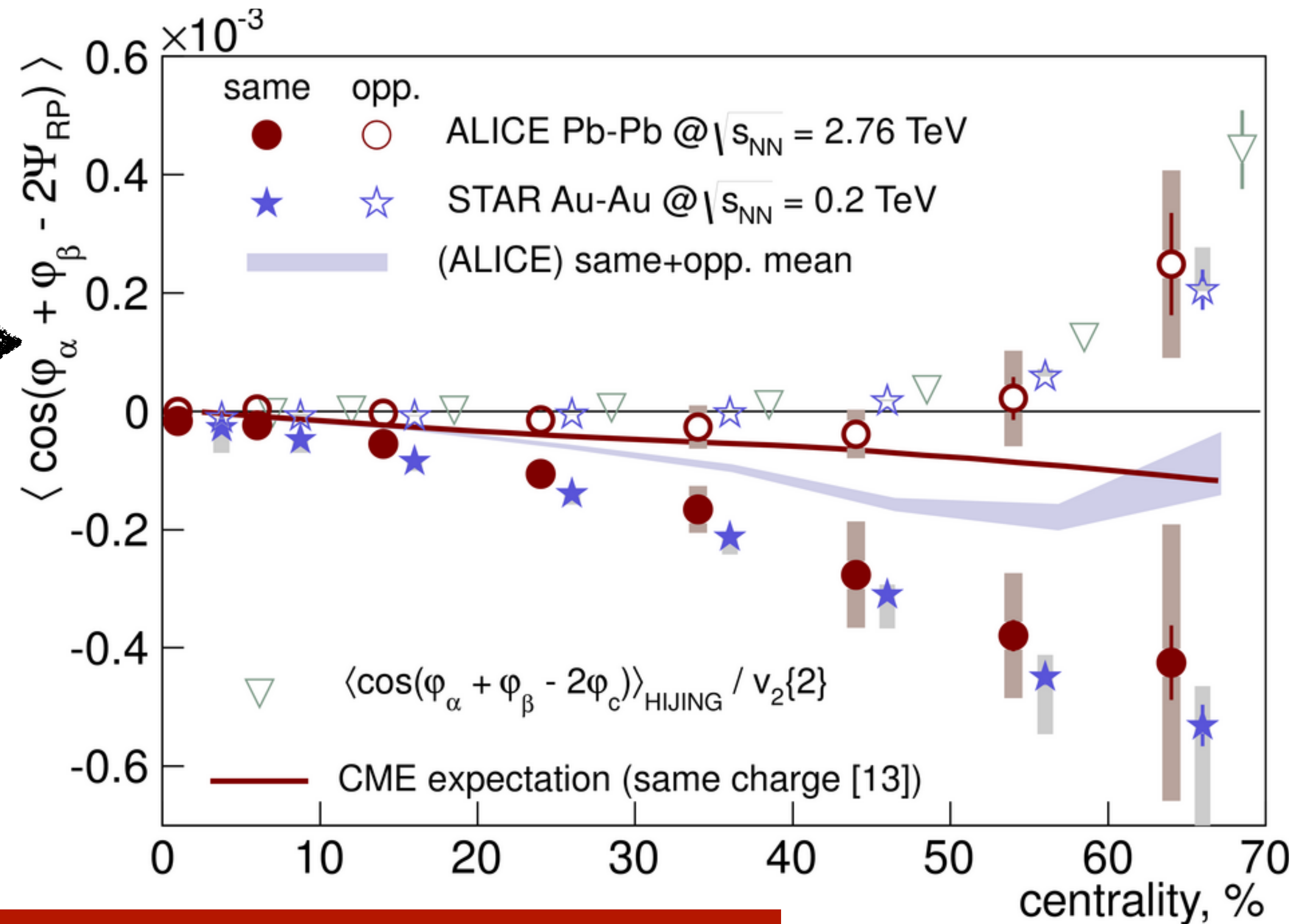
FIRST LHC RESULTS

Goal: disentangle the CME signal from the background

Strong centrality dependent effects consistent with naive expectations from CME

- But no significant energy dependence between RHIC and LHC

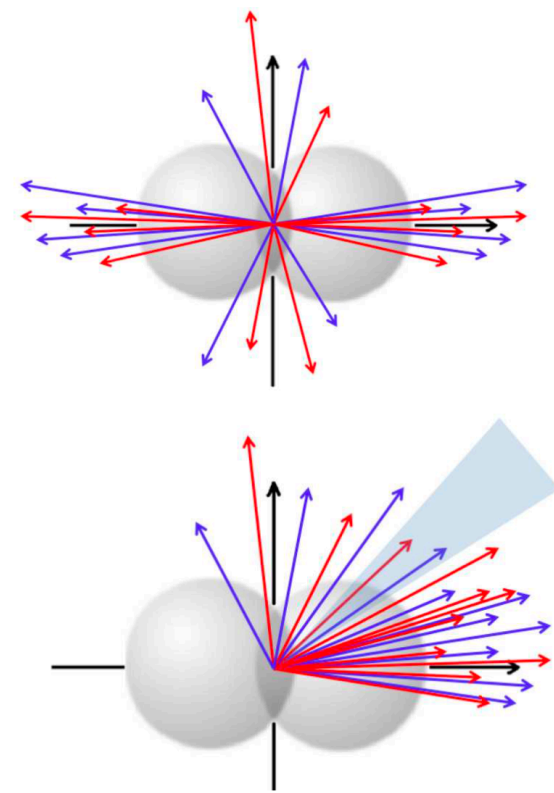
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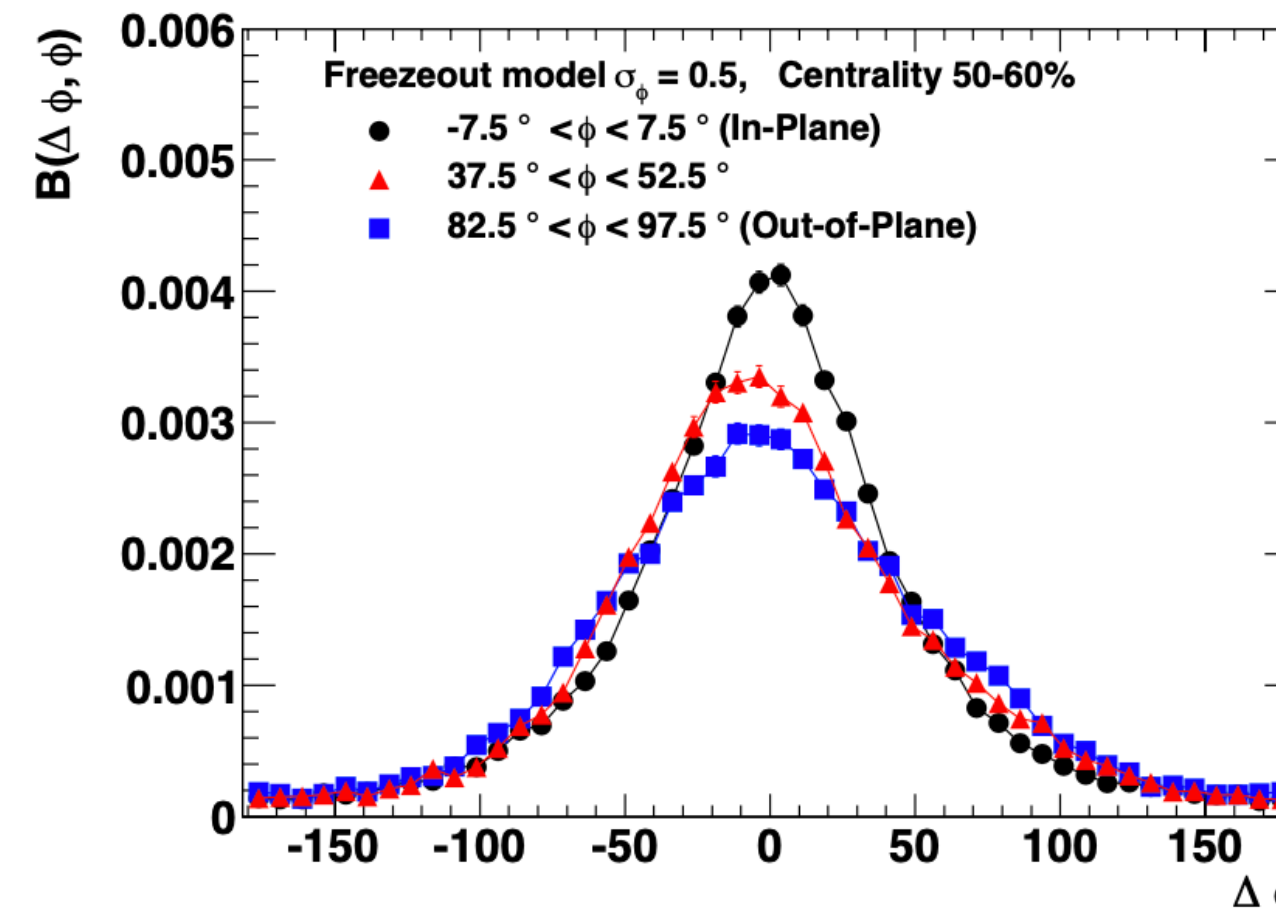
The agreement was a big surprise considering the difference in energy, particle density,...

IDENTIFYING BACKGROUND EFFECTS

S. Voloshin, Phys. Rev. C70, (2004) 057901



“Flowing clusters”



S. Schlichting and S. Pratt Phys.Rev. C83 (2011) 014913

$v_2 C_B$: more balancing pairs in-plane than out-of-plane

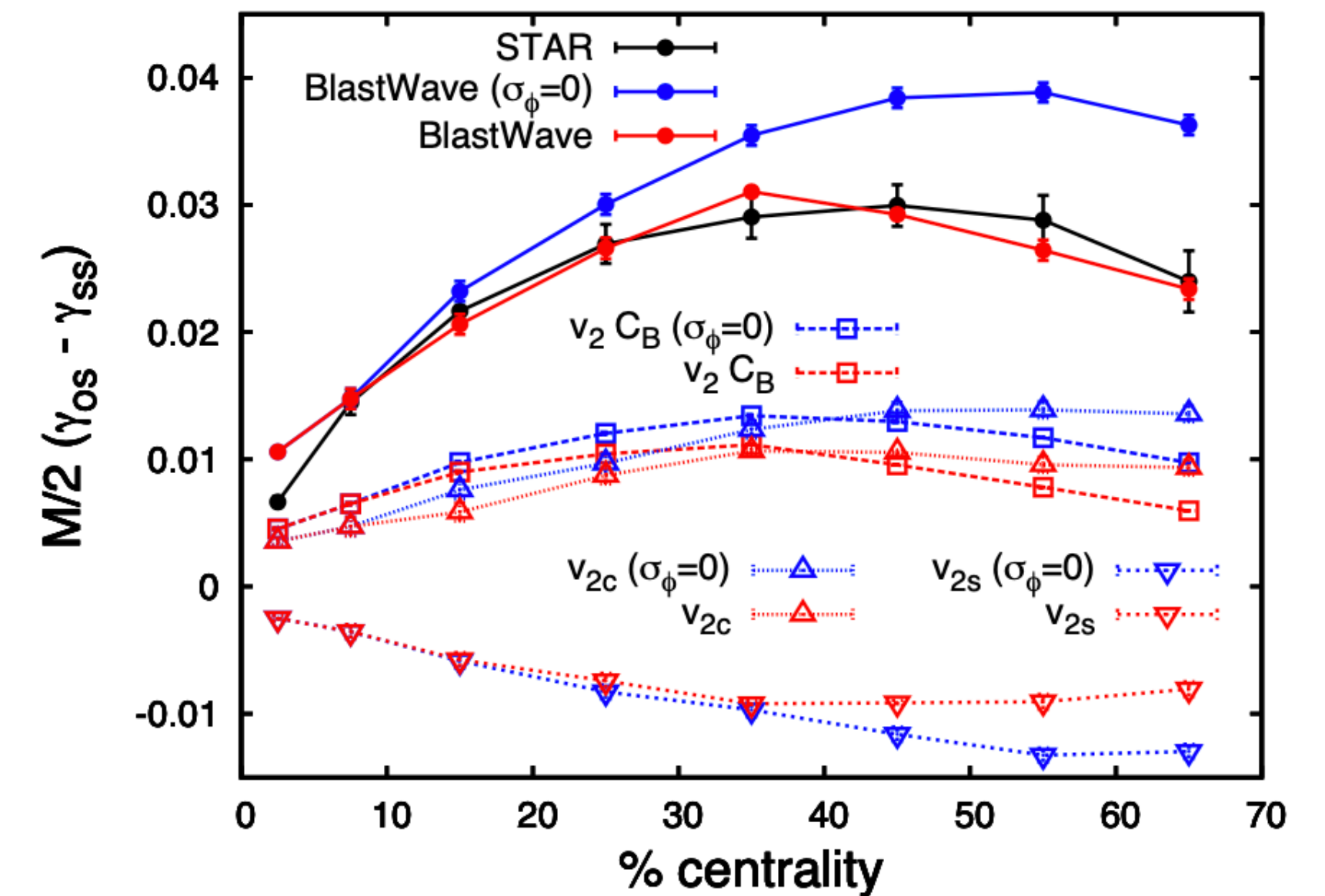
$v_{2,c}$: degree to which in-plane pairs are more tightly correlated than out-of-plane pairs

$v_{2,s}$: balancing charge is more likely to be found toward the event plane.

Main background component:

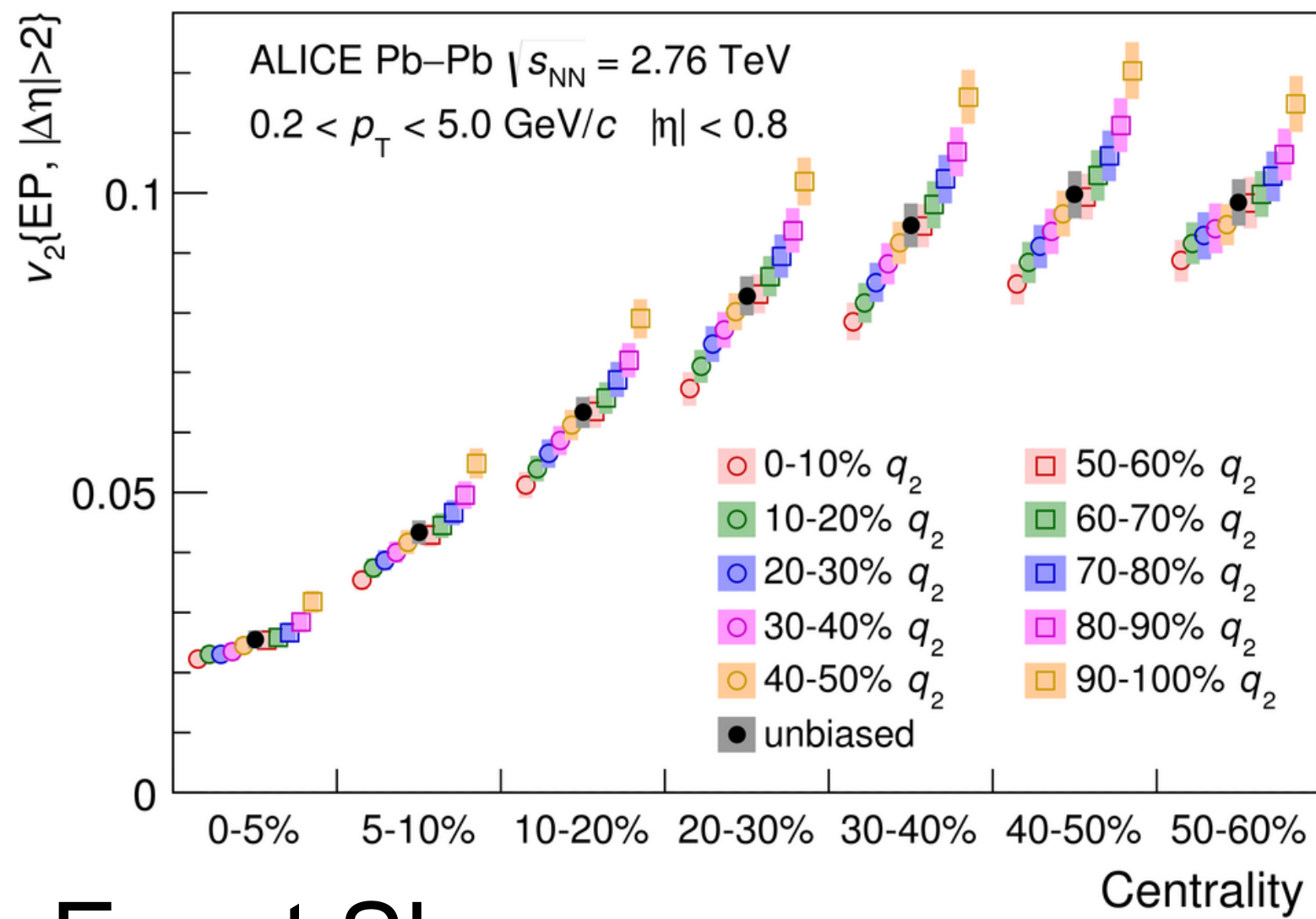
- Local charge conservation (LCC) coupled to anisotropic flow

A simple BW model + LCC can provide a qualitative description of some of the systematics of the measurement of $\Delta\gamma_{11}$



FIRST CME LIMITS @ LHC WITH ESE

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Ultra-relativistic nuclear collisions: Event shape engineering

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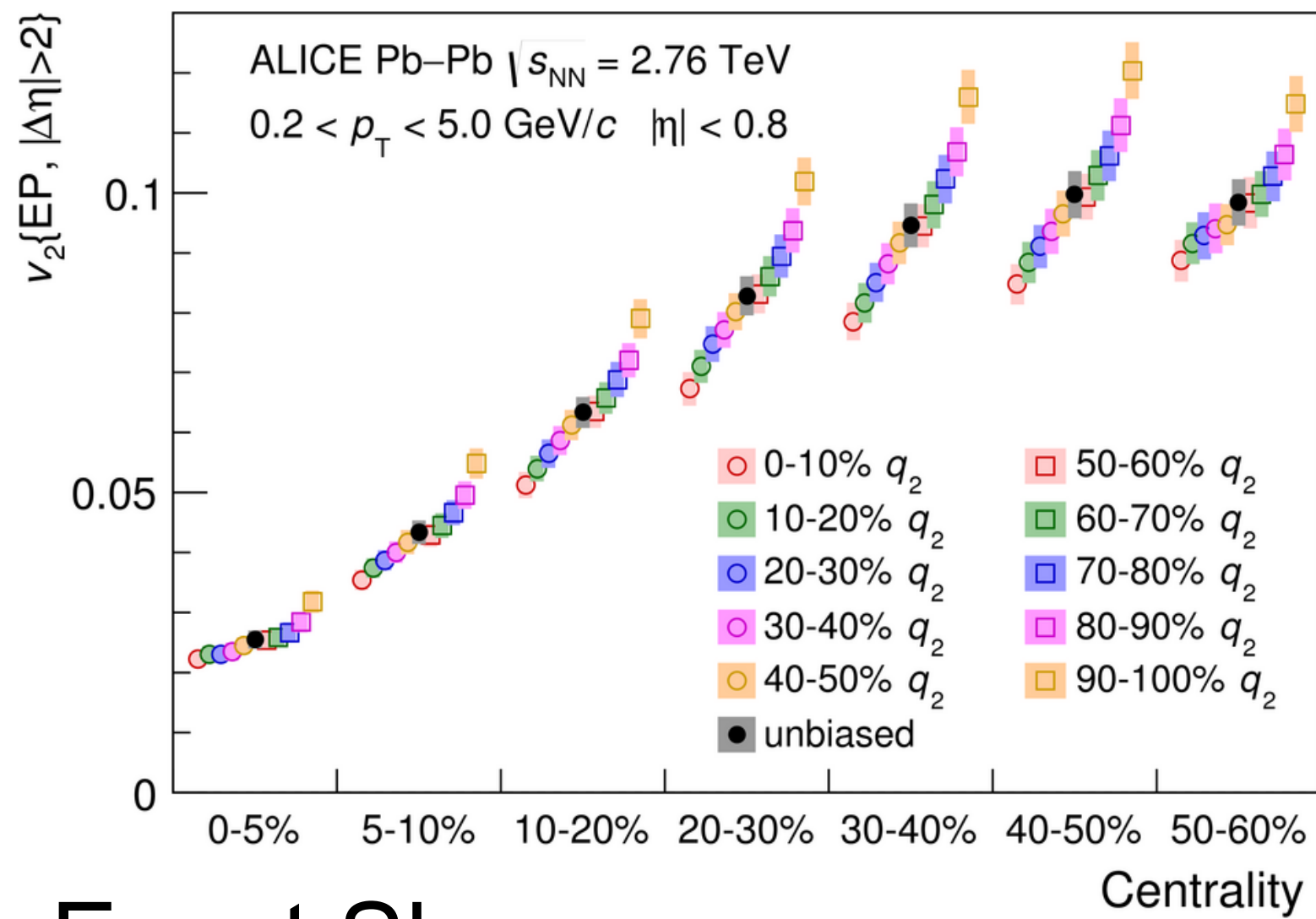
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Abstract

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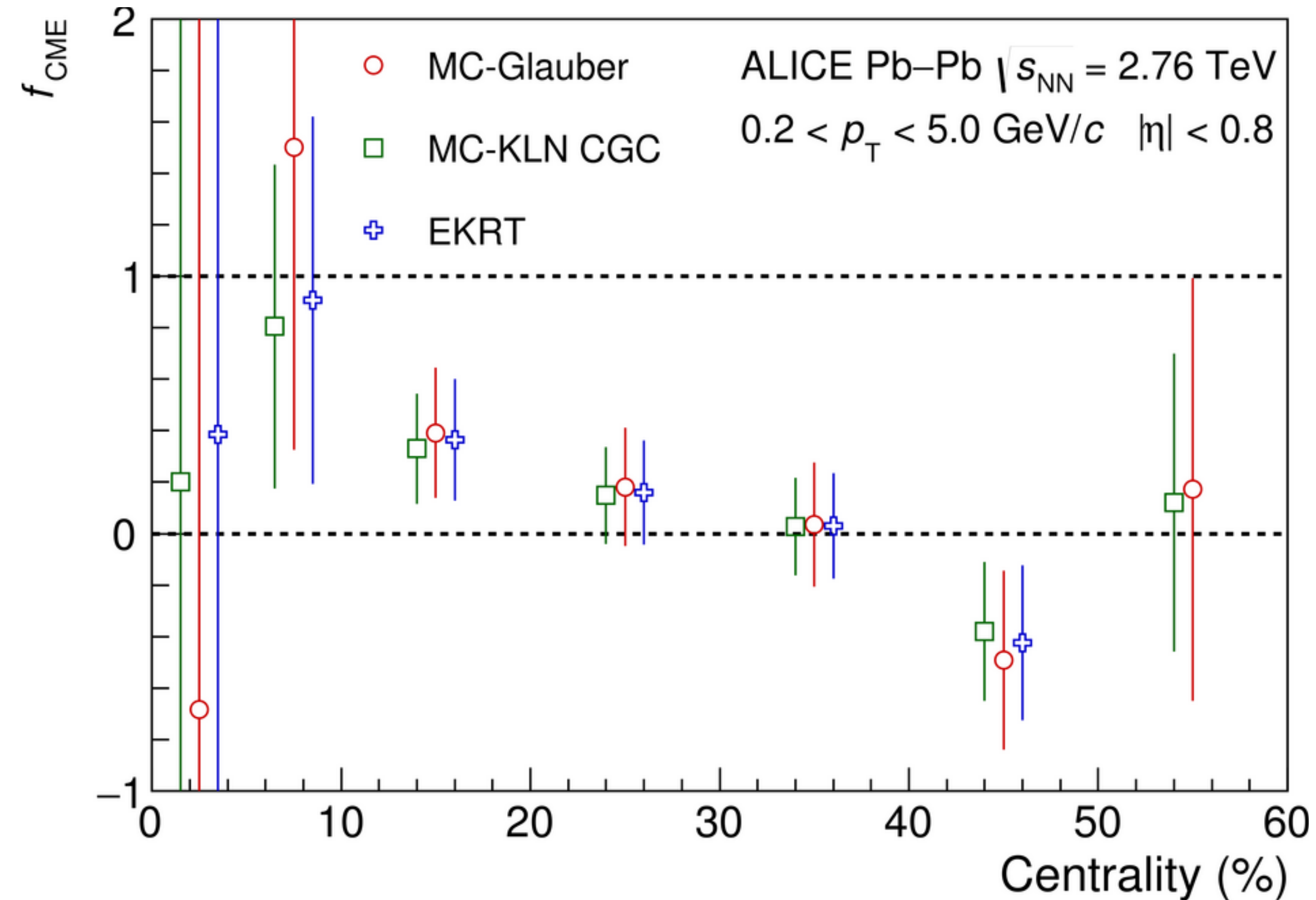
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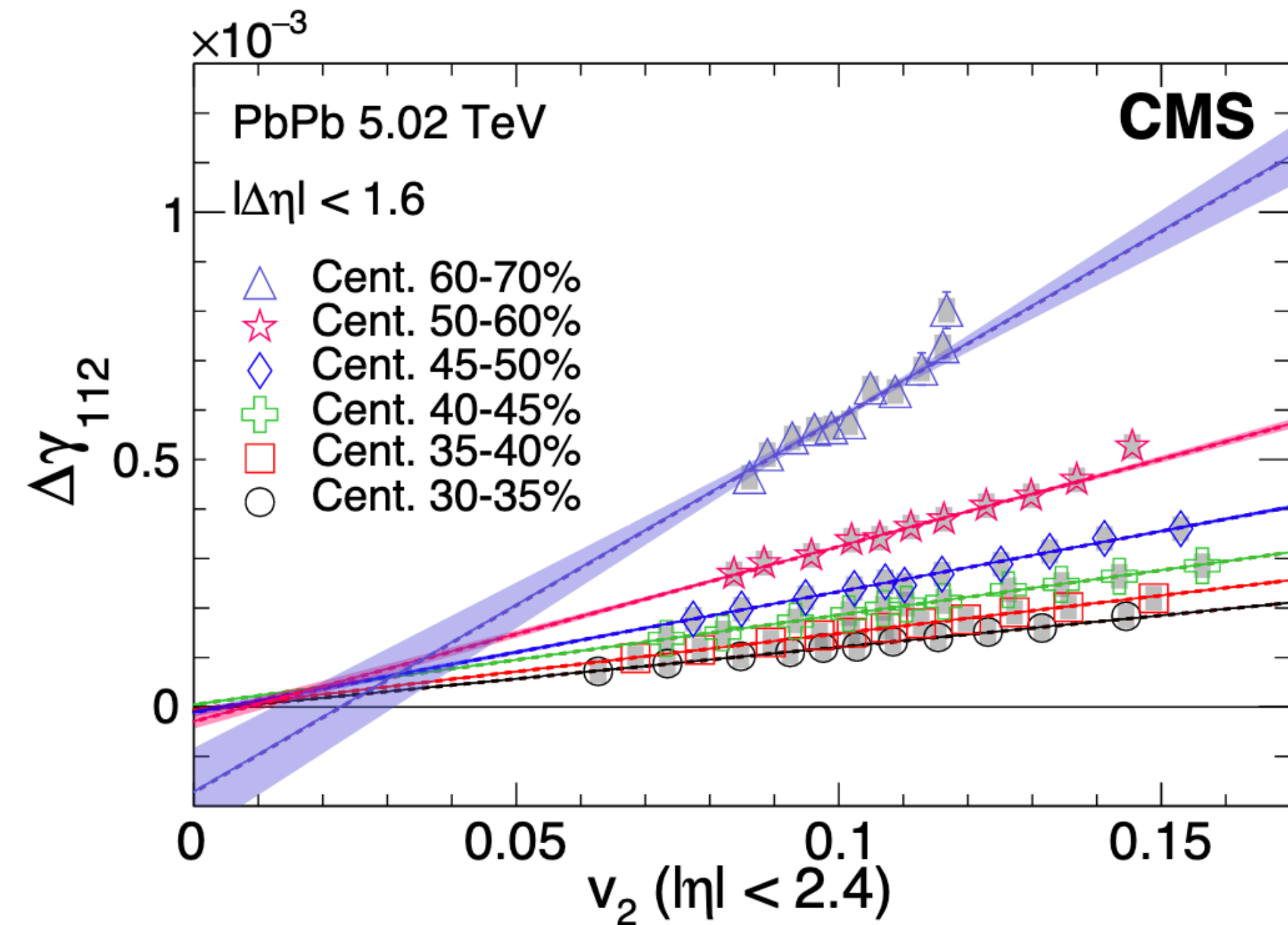
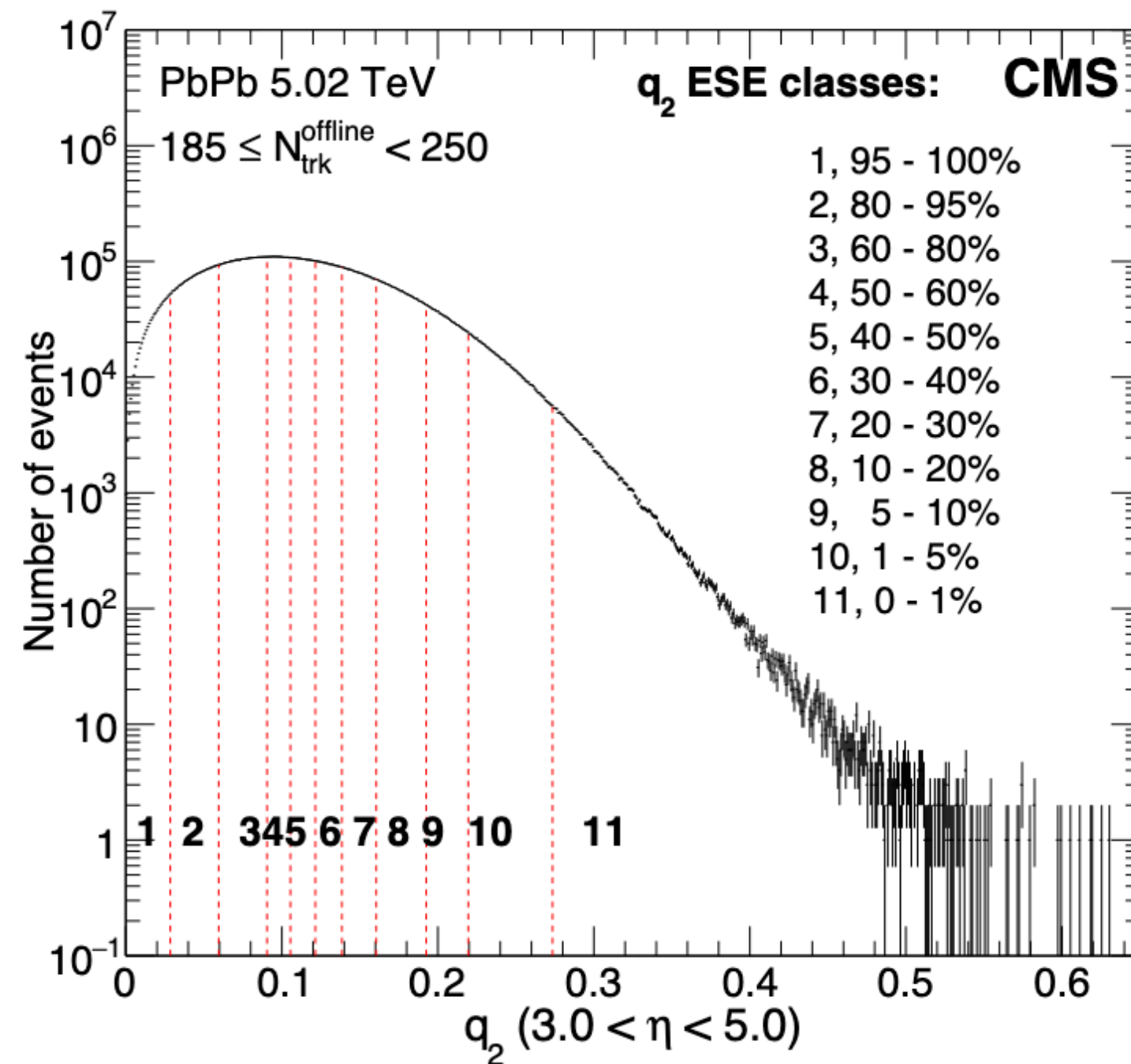


Upper limit on the CME fraction for the 10-50% centrality interval:

- 26-33% at 95% C.L. depending on models of initial state

CME LIMITS WITH ESE (CMS)

(CMS Collaboration) Phys.Rev.C 97 (2018) 4, 044912



Upper limit on the CME fraction for Pb-Pb collisions ~7% @ 95% CL

- Based on the assumption of a CME signal independent of v_2 in a narrow multiplicity or centrality range



ISOBAR STUDIES @ RHIC

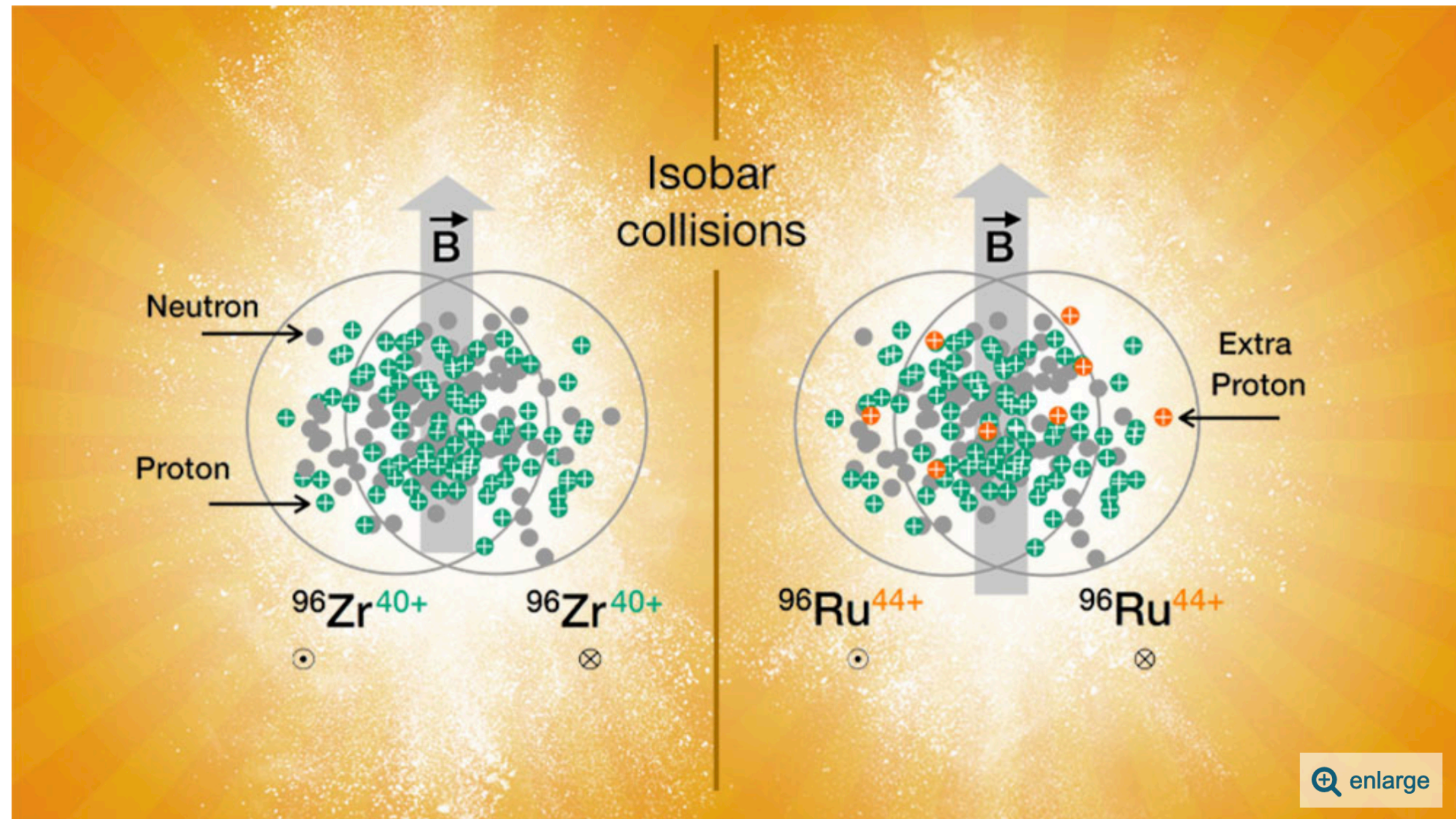
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Results from Search for 'Chiral Magnetic Effect' at RHIC

Collisions of 'isobars' test effect of magnetic field, searching for signs of a broken symmetry

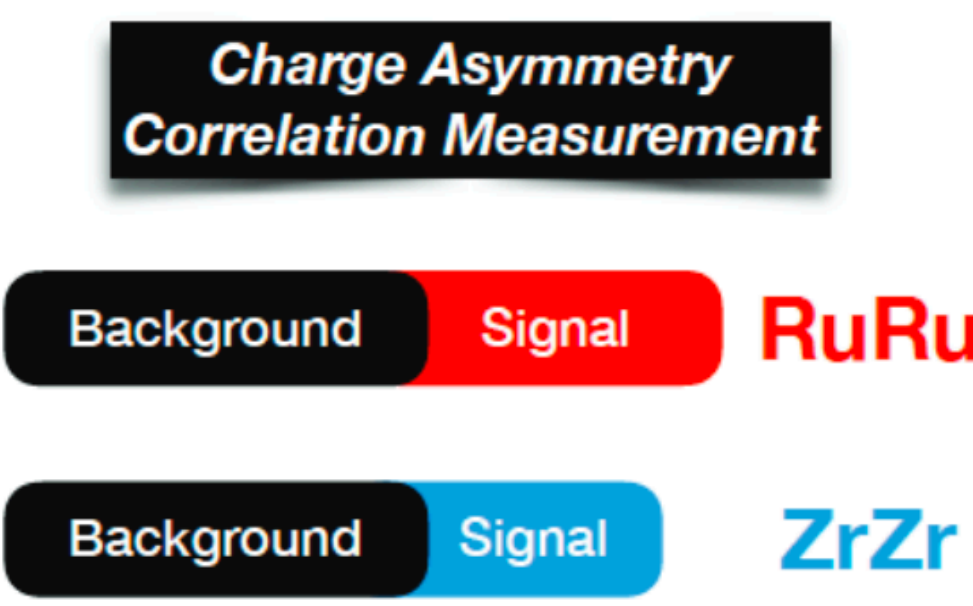
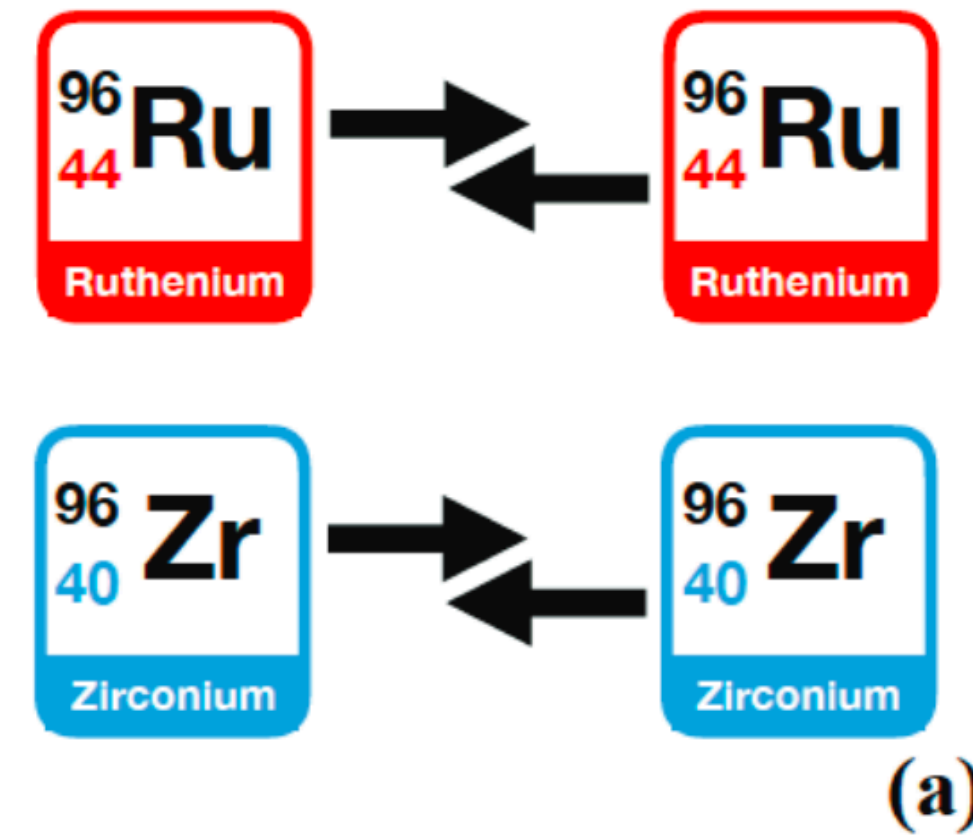
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Physicists compared collisions of two different sets of isobars, which are ions that have the same overall mass but different numbers of protons —zirconium (^{96}Zr), with 40 protons, and ruthenium (^{96}Ru) with 44 protons. The higher proton number (and thus electric charge) in ruthenium should generate a stronger magnetic field during collisions than zirconium (indicated by size of gray arrows). Scientists expected the stronger magnetic field of ruthenium collisions to result in greater separation of charged particles emerging from those collisions than seen in zirconium collisions.

Expectations

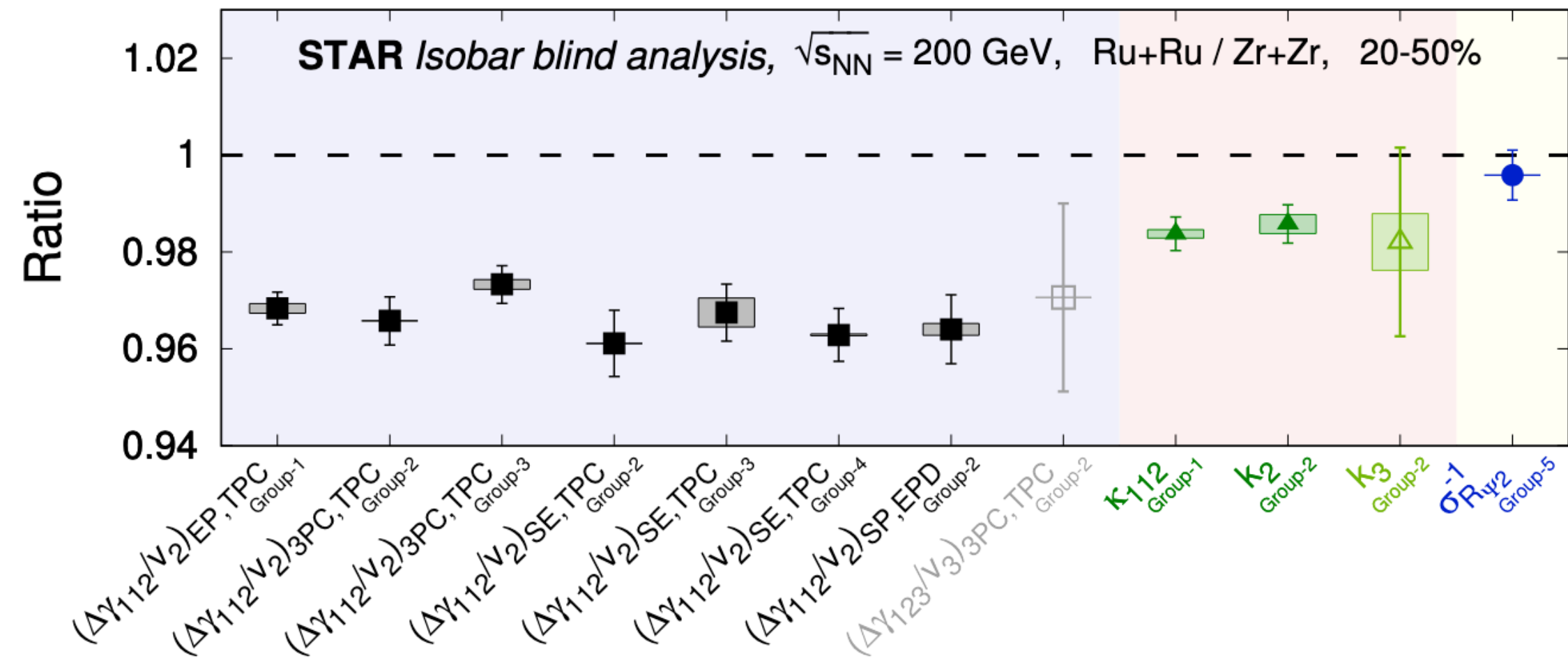
- Signal scales with B
 - CME signal larger in Ru
- Background scales with multiplicity and v_2
 - Background similar in both systems



$$\frac{\left(\frac{\Delta\gamma}{v_2}\right)_{\text{RuRu}}}{\left(\frac{\Delta\gamma}{v_2}\right)_{\text{ZrZr}}} > 1$$

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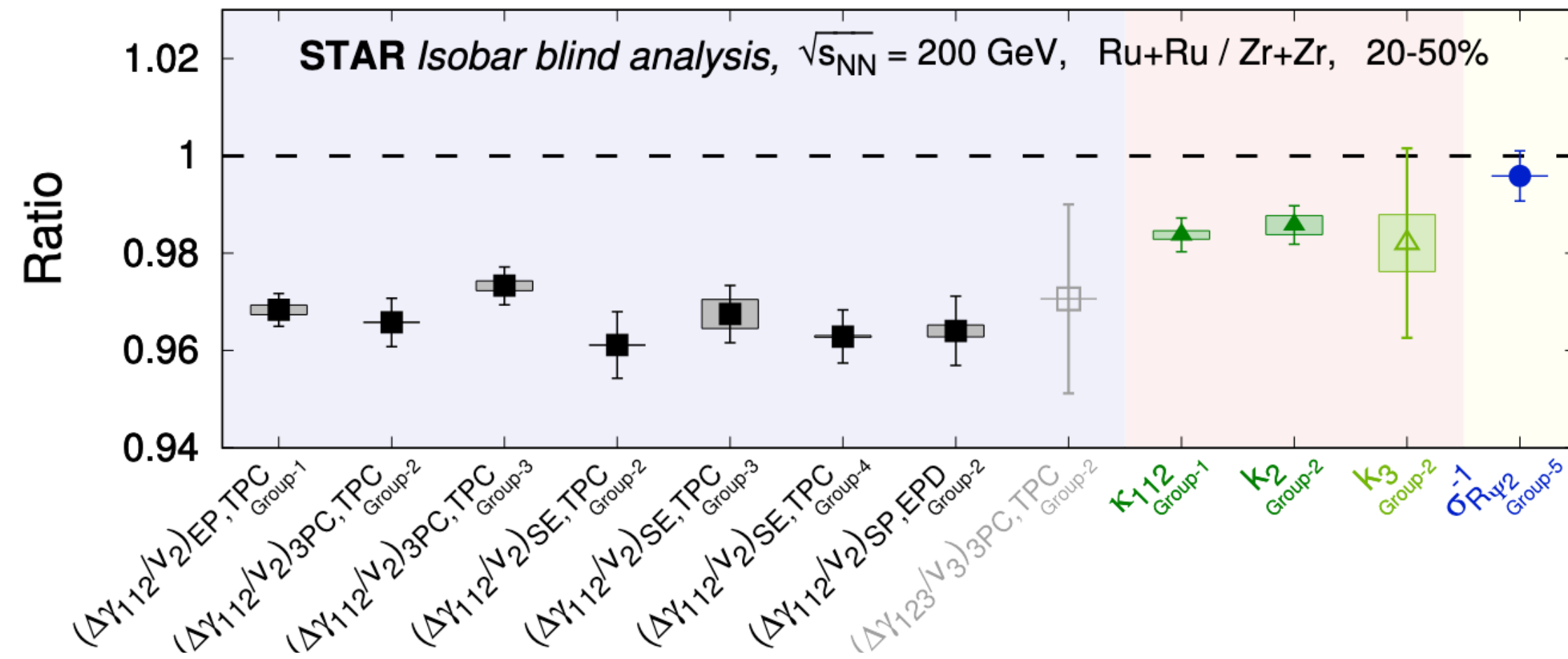


None of the analyses fulfil the predefined criteria

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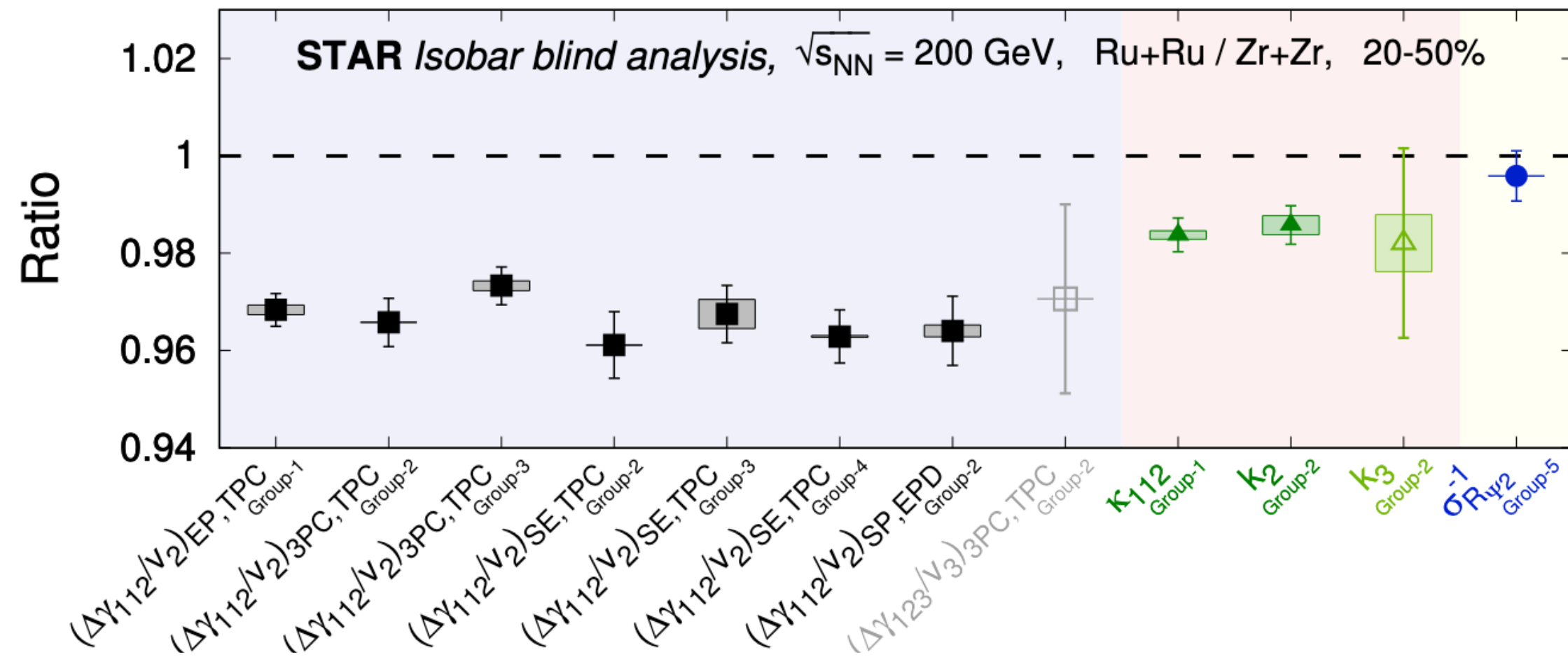
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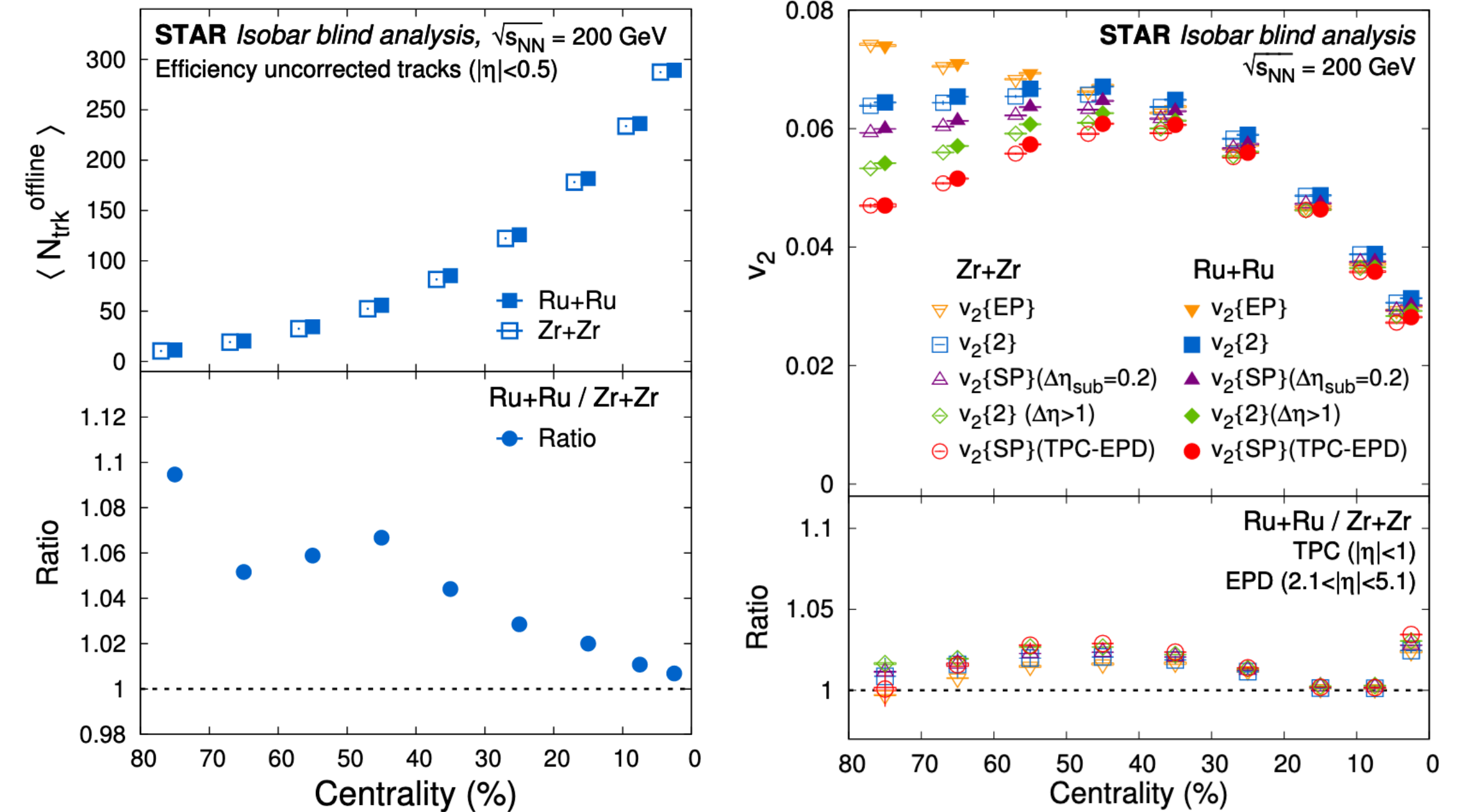
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Important before extracting final conclusions → Ongoing

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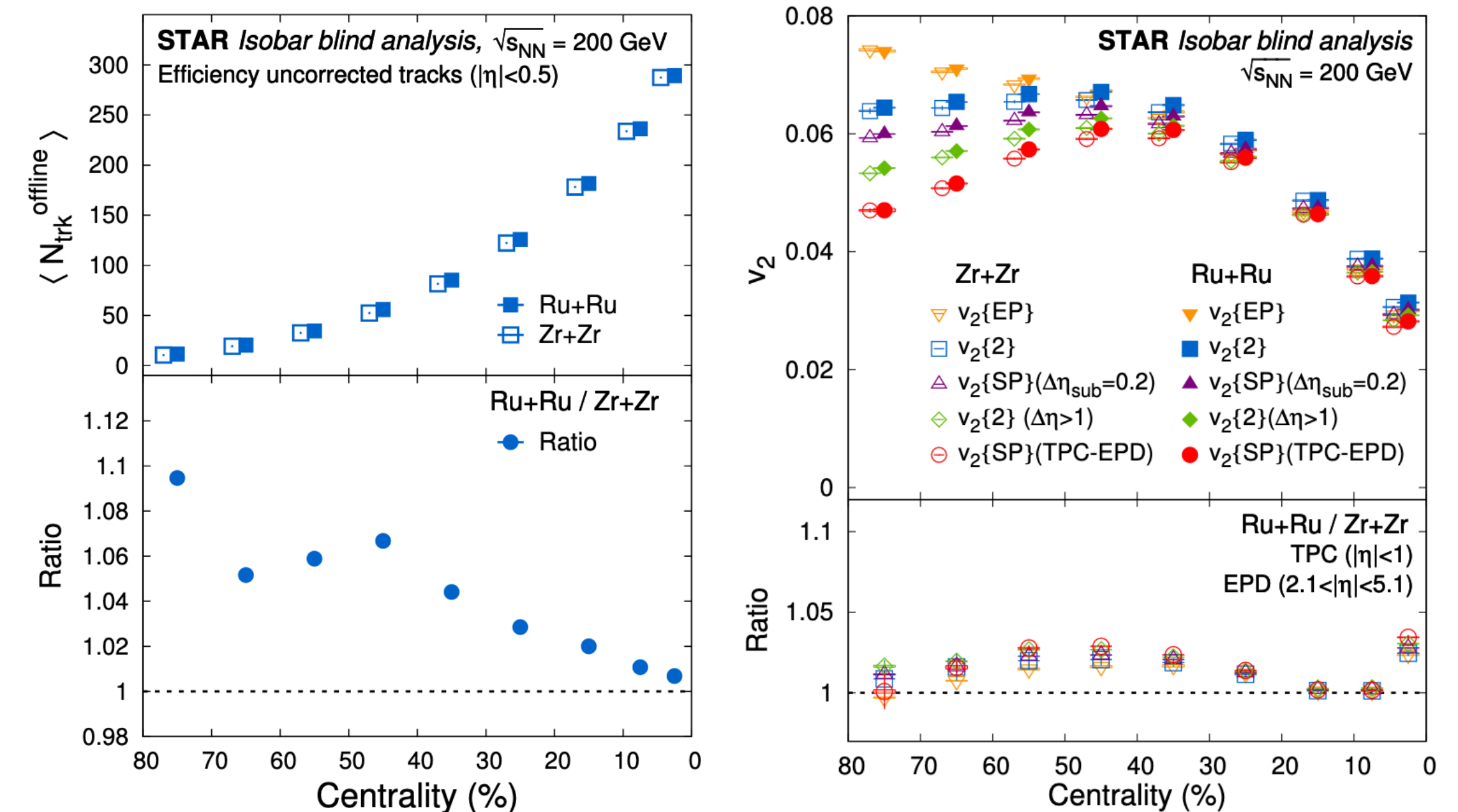
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More appropriate sentence:

None of the predefined criteria are relevant since they are invalidated by data

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POST BLIND ANALYSIS: ISOBAR STUDIES @ RHIC

D. Kharzeev, J. Liao, S. Shi, Phys. Rev C 106, L051903 (2022)

Implications of the isobar run results for chiral magnetic effect in heavy ion collisions

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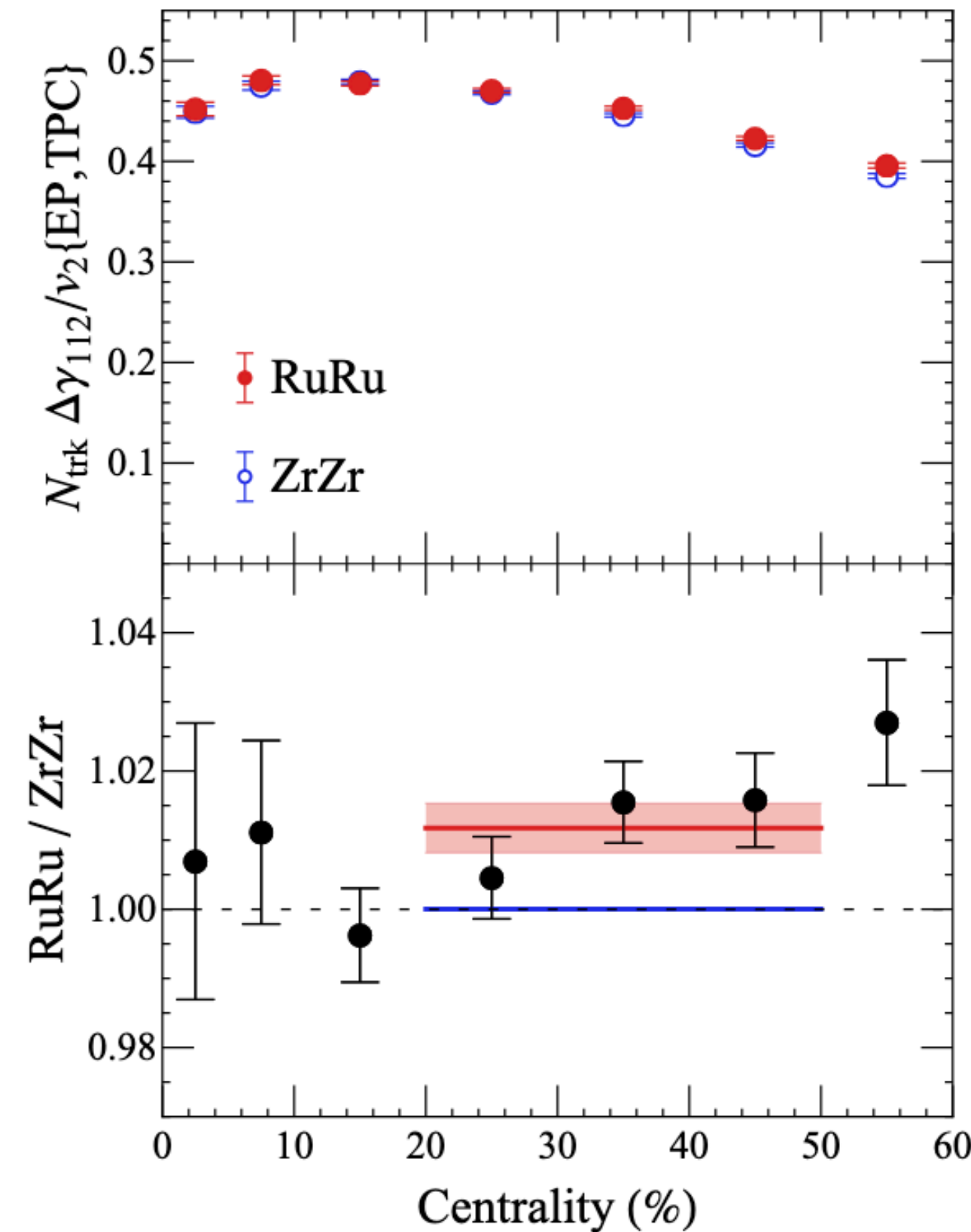
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Chiral magnetic effect (CME) is a macroscopic transport phenomenon induced by quantum anomaly in the presence of chiral imbalance and an external magnetic field. Relativistic heavy ion collisions provide the unique opportunity to look for CME in a non-Abelian plasma, where the chiral imbalance is created by topological transitions similar to those occurring in the Early Universe. The isobar run at Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider was proposed as a way to separate the possible CME signal driven by magnetic field from the background. The first blind analysis results from this important experiment have been recently released by the STAR Collaboration. Under the pre-defined assumption of identical background in RuRu and ZrZr, the results are inconsistent with the presence of CME, as well as with all existing theoretical models (whether including CME or not). However the observed difference of backgrounds must be taken into account before any physical conclusion is drawn. In this paper, we show that once the observed difference in hadron multiplicity and collective flow are quantitatively taken into account, the STAR results could be consistent with a finite CME signal contribution of about $(6.8 \pm 2.6)\%$.



$$f_s \simeq (6.8 \pm 2.6)\%$$

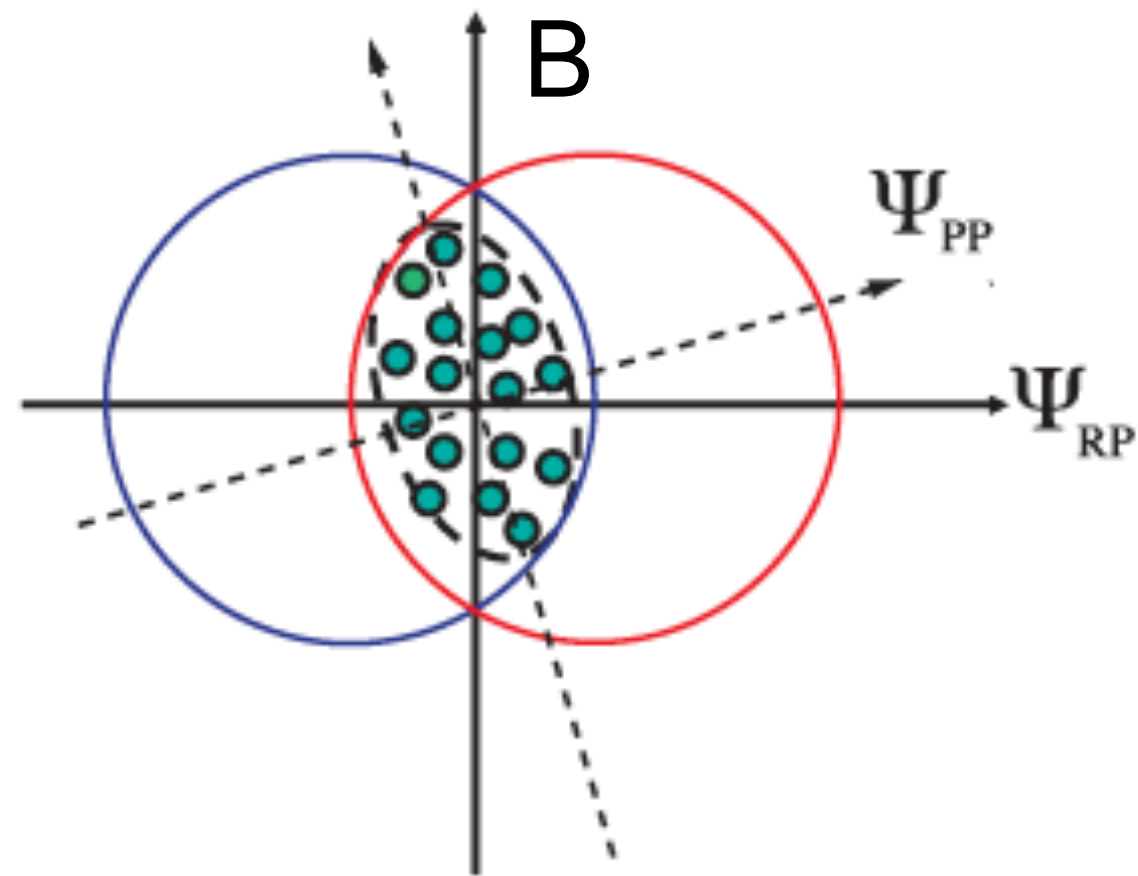
Analysis suggests non-zero CME fraction, with the right centrality dependence

Needs to be (re)done by the experimentalists

HINT FOR CME? Ψ_{SP} VS Ψ_{PP}

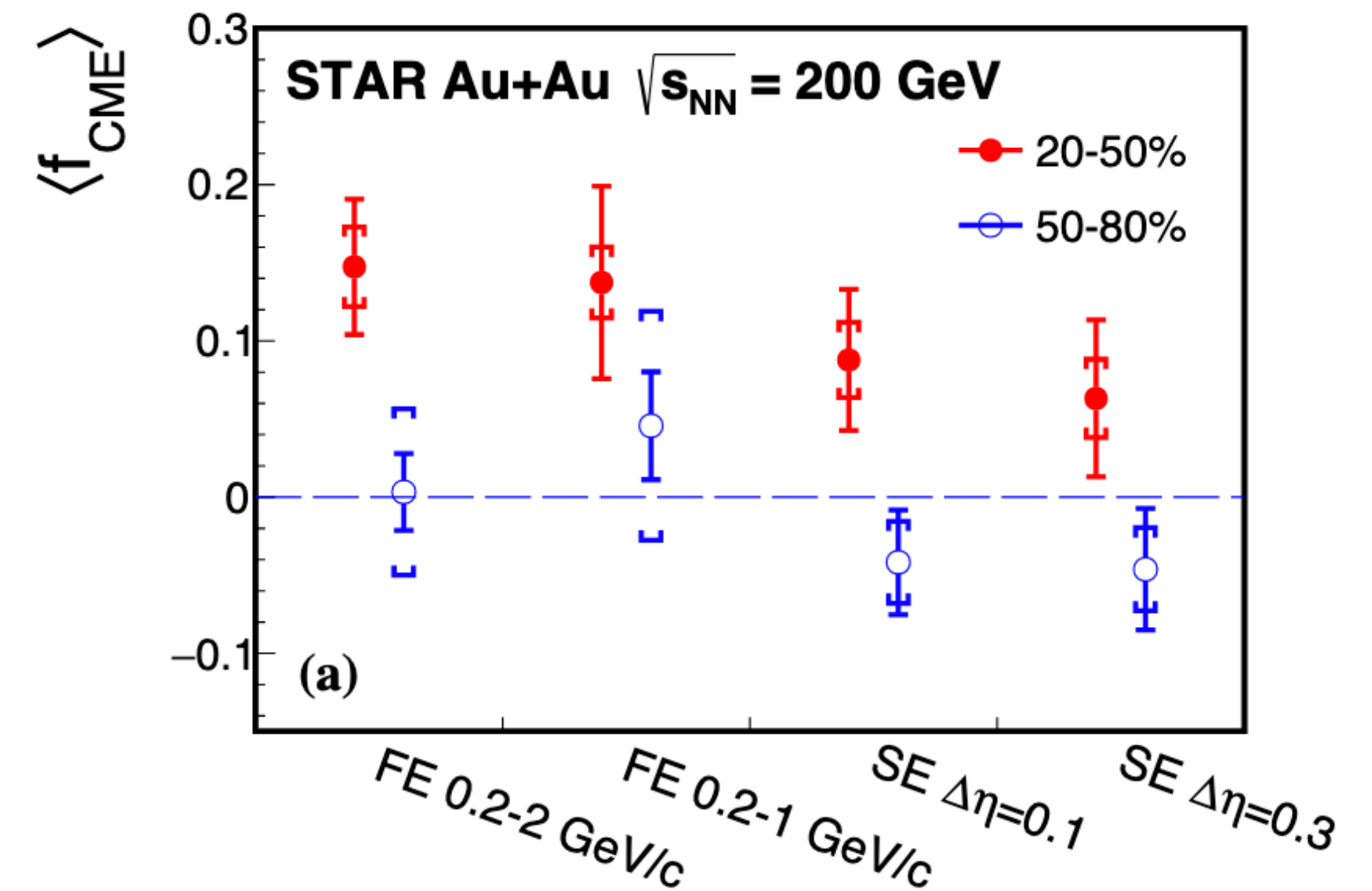
S. Voloshin, Phys. Rev. C 98, (2018) 054911

H. Xu *et al.*, Chin.Phys.C 42 (2018) 8, 084103



Study correlations relative to the participant (Ψ_{PP}) and spectator (Ψ_{SP}) planes
 Background contribution larger when studied relative to $\Psi_{PP} \rightarrow$ larger v_2
 CME contribution larger when studied relative to $\Psi_{SP} \rightarrow$ correlated with B

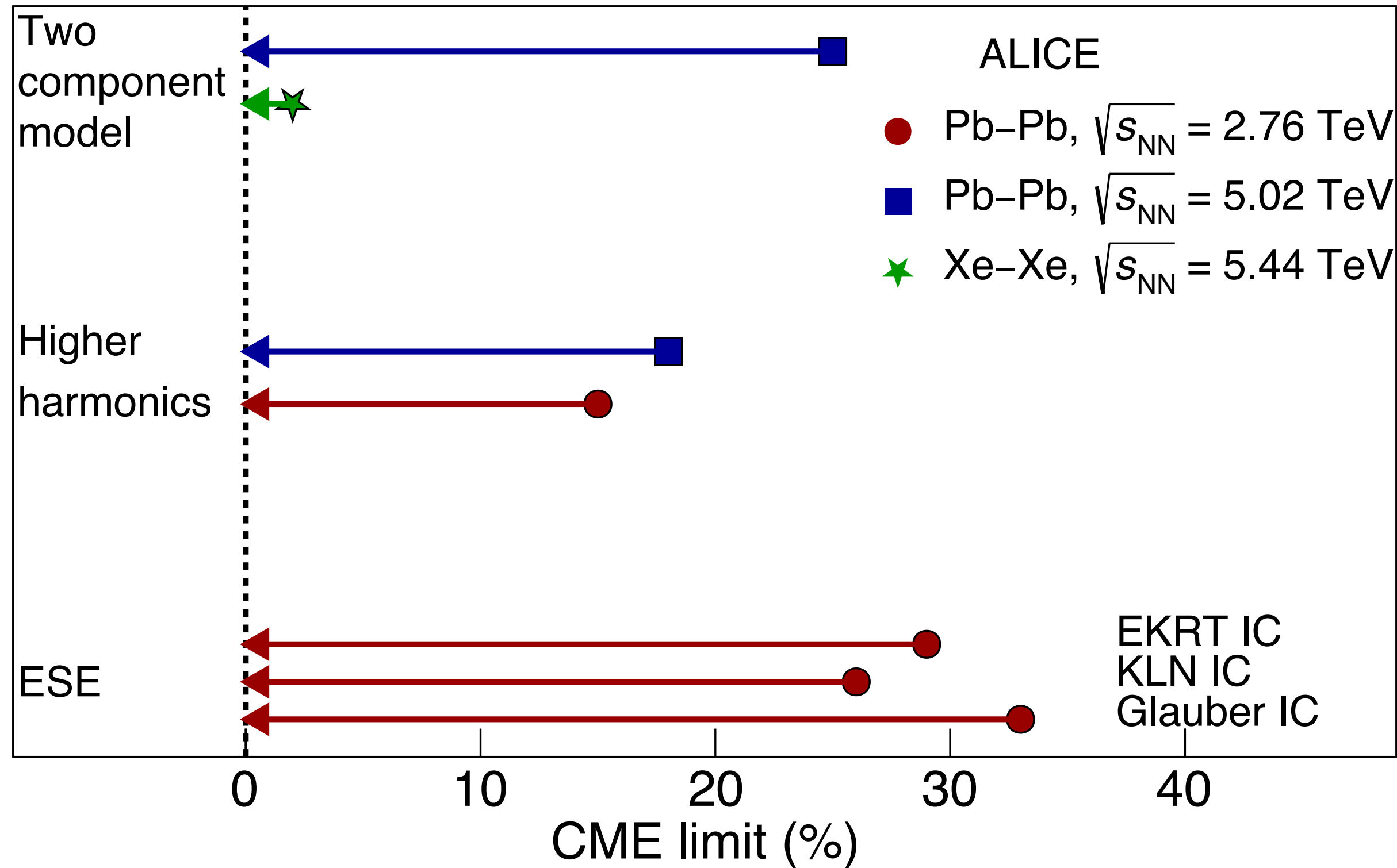
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Indications of finite signal in mid-central 20-50% collisions \rightarrow 1-3 σ significance

CME FRACTION UPPER LIMITS @ LHC

(ALICE Collaboration), arXiv:2211.04384



Summary of upper limits @ LHC (95% CL)		
ALICE	ESE in Pb-Pb collisions	26-33%
	Higher harmonics in Pb-Pb collisions	11-15%
	2-component model	2%(Xe) - 25%(Pb)
CMS	p-Pb collisions	13% 
	ESE in Pb-Pb collisions	7% 

Current analyses provide stringent upper limits for the CME fraction at both RHIC and LHC energies → CME signal at the level of few % max

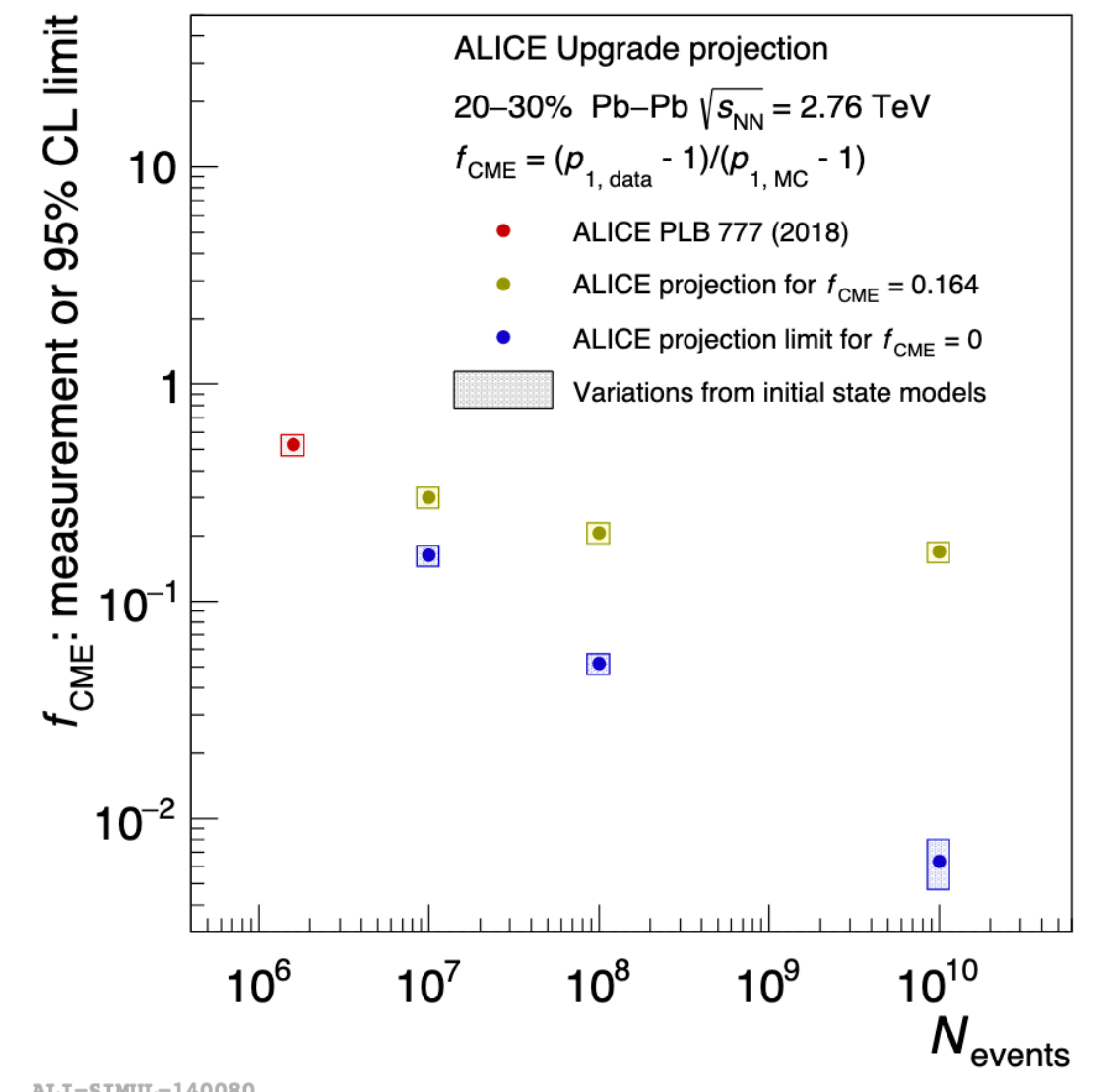
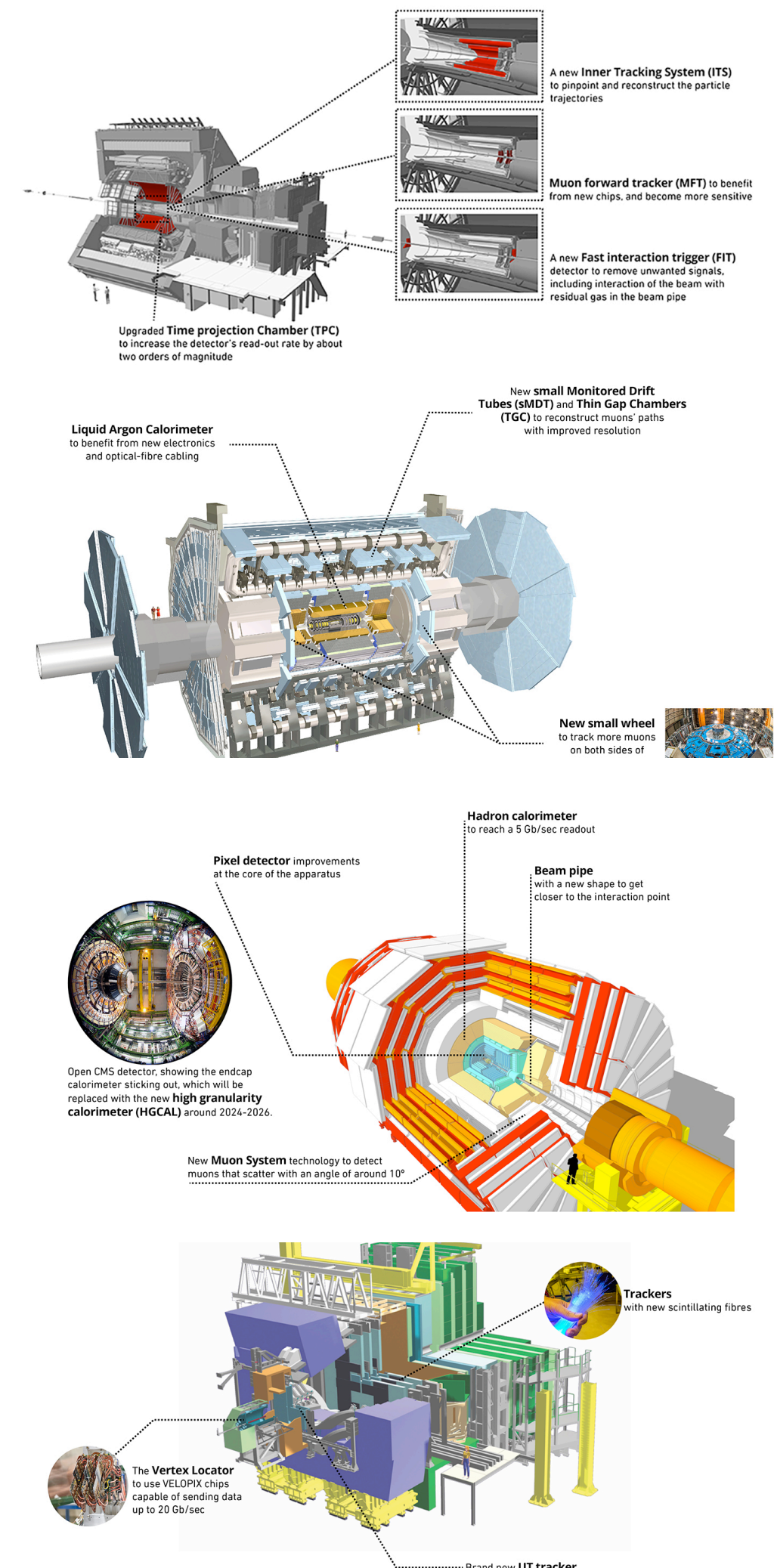
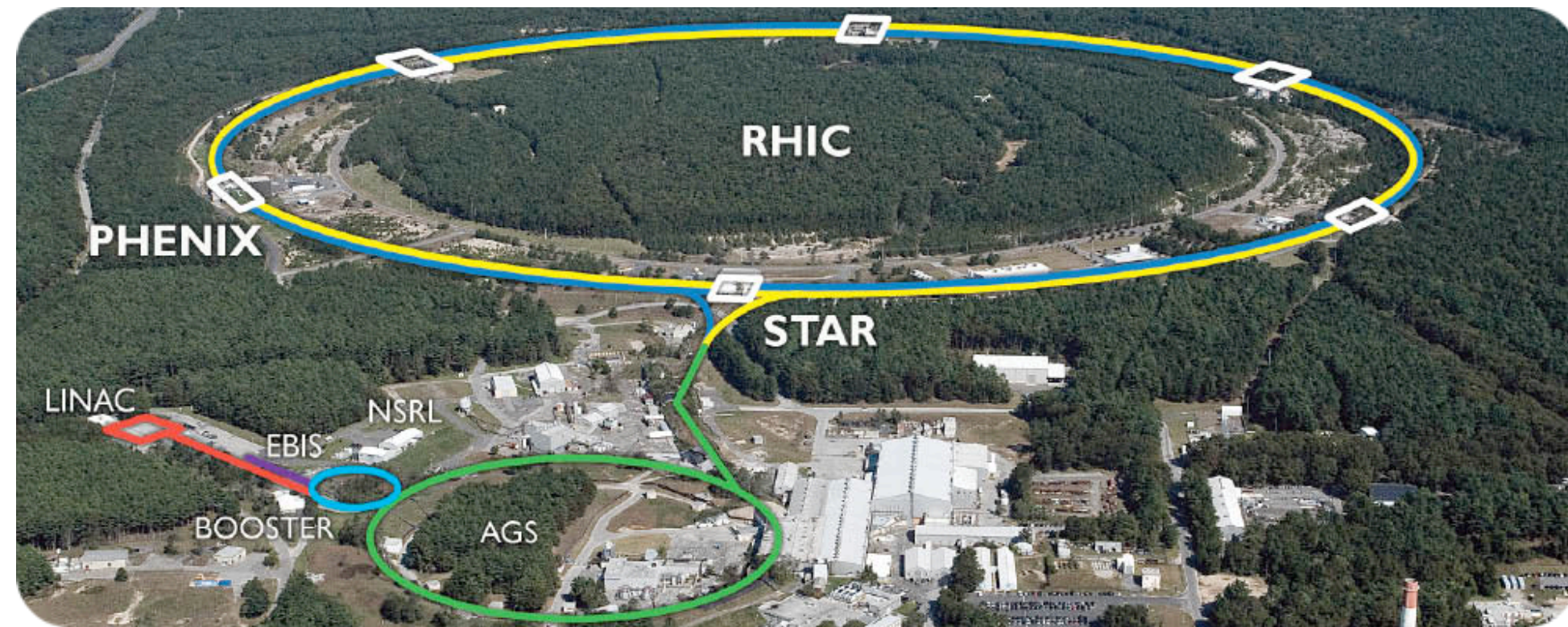
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ESE	<u>ALICE-3</u>				<u>CMS-2</u>		Ongoing
Higher harmonics	<u>ALICE-4</u>			<u>ALICE-4</u>	<u>CMS-2</u>		
Ψ_{PP} VS Ψ_{SP}				Ongoing			Ongoing
PID	Preliminary						
CMW	<u>ALICE-2</u>		<u>CMS-3</u>	<u>CMS-3</u>			
CMW/ESE							Ongoing
CMW/Higher harmonics			<u>CMS-3</u>	<u>CMS-3</u>			Ongoing

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Anticipated results for CME can drive the limit to lower than 10%

FUTURE PROSPECTS



2023-2025: 10x AuAu MB data than the existing sample

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+Isobaric collisions @ LHC?

The signal is there...we just have to find it



Thank you for
your attention!

BACKUP

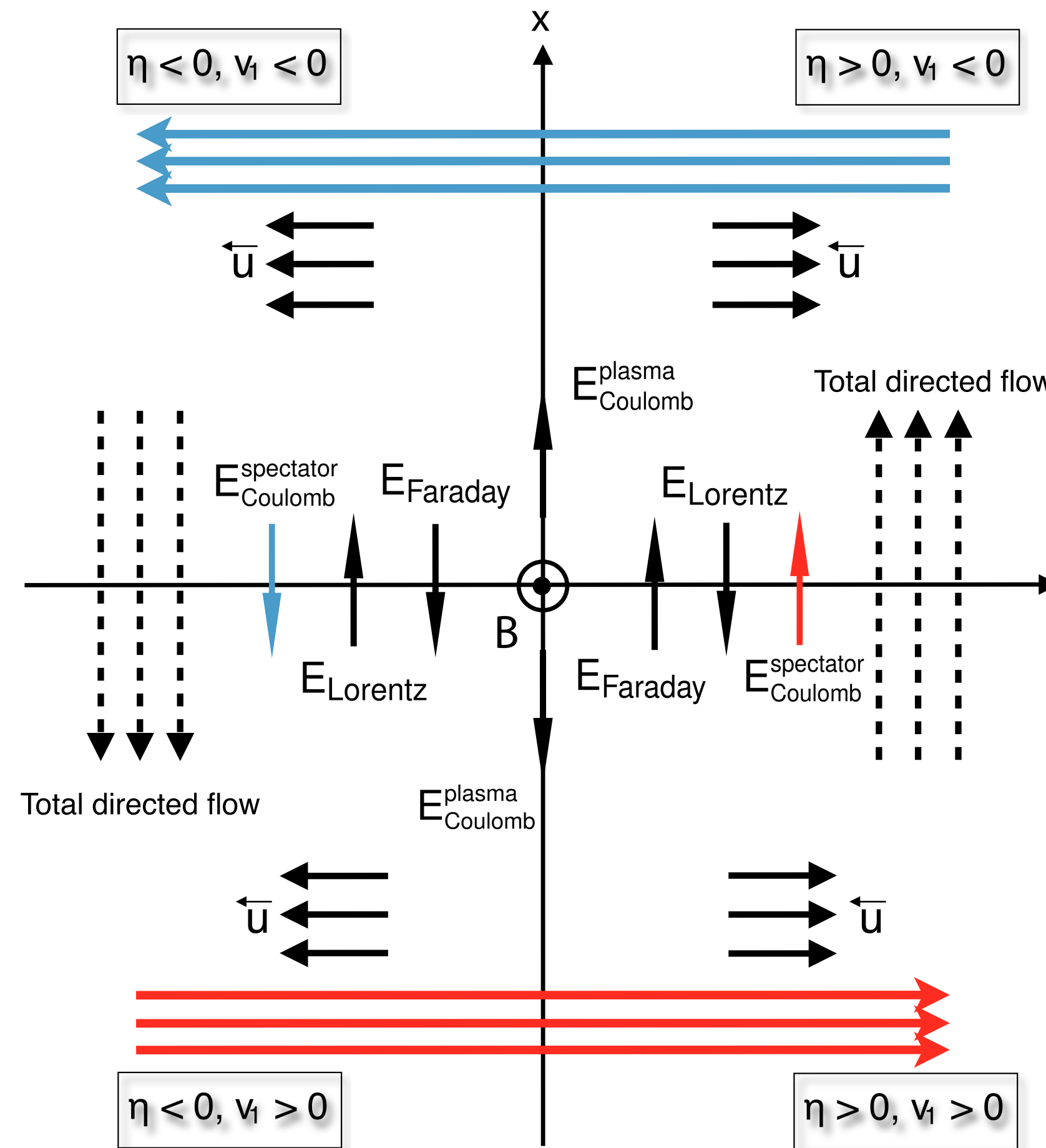


EXPERIMENTAL PROBE: CHARGE DEPENDENT V_N

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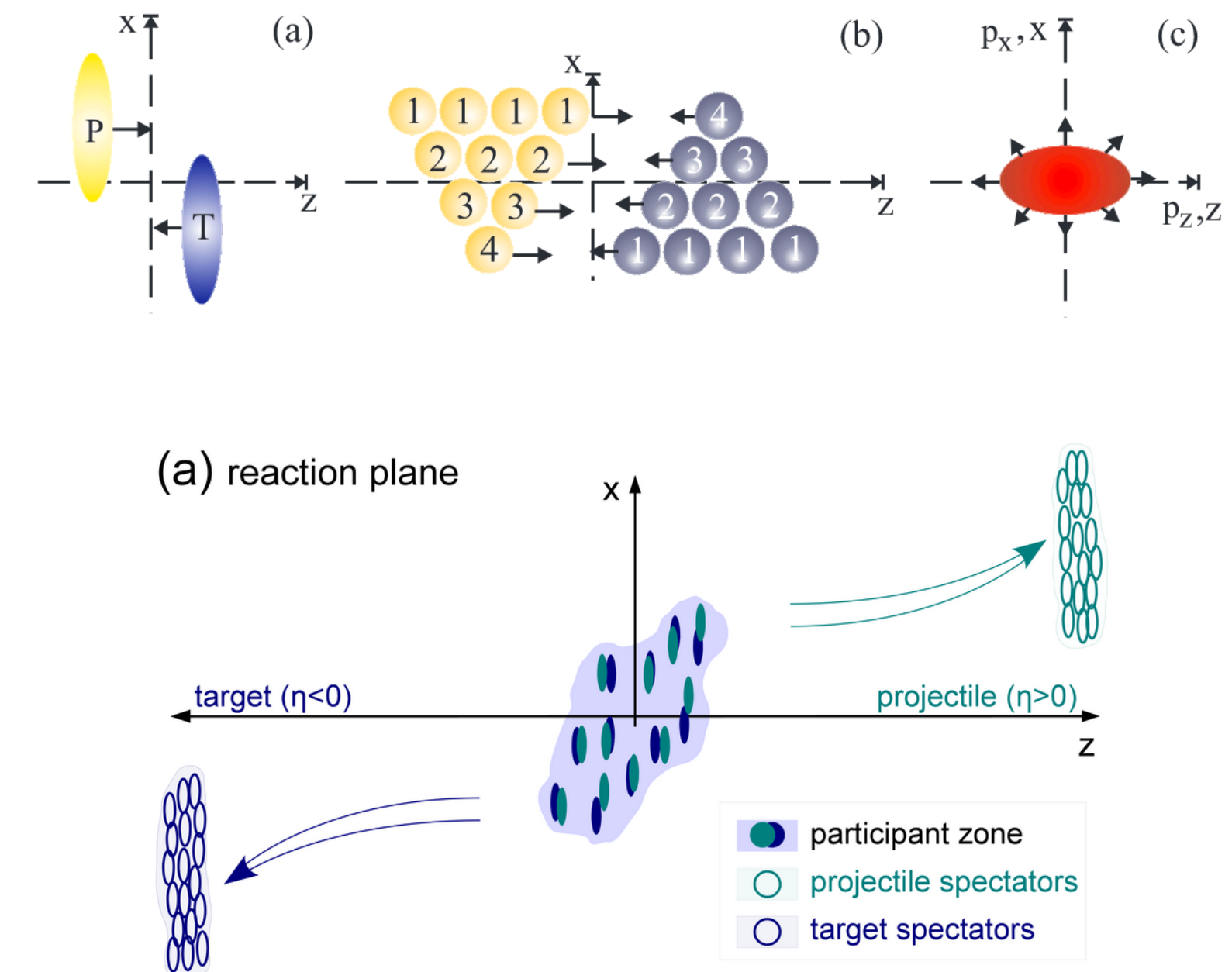
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$$\frac{dN}{d\varphi} \propto 1 + 2v_1 \cos(\varphi - \Psi_{RP}) + 2v_2 \cos[2(\varphi - \Psi_{RP})] + \dots$$

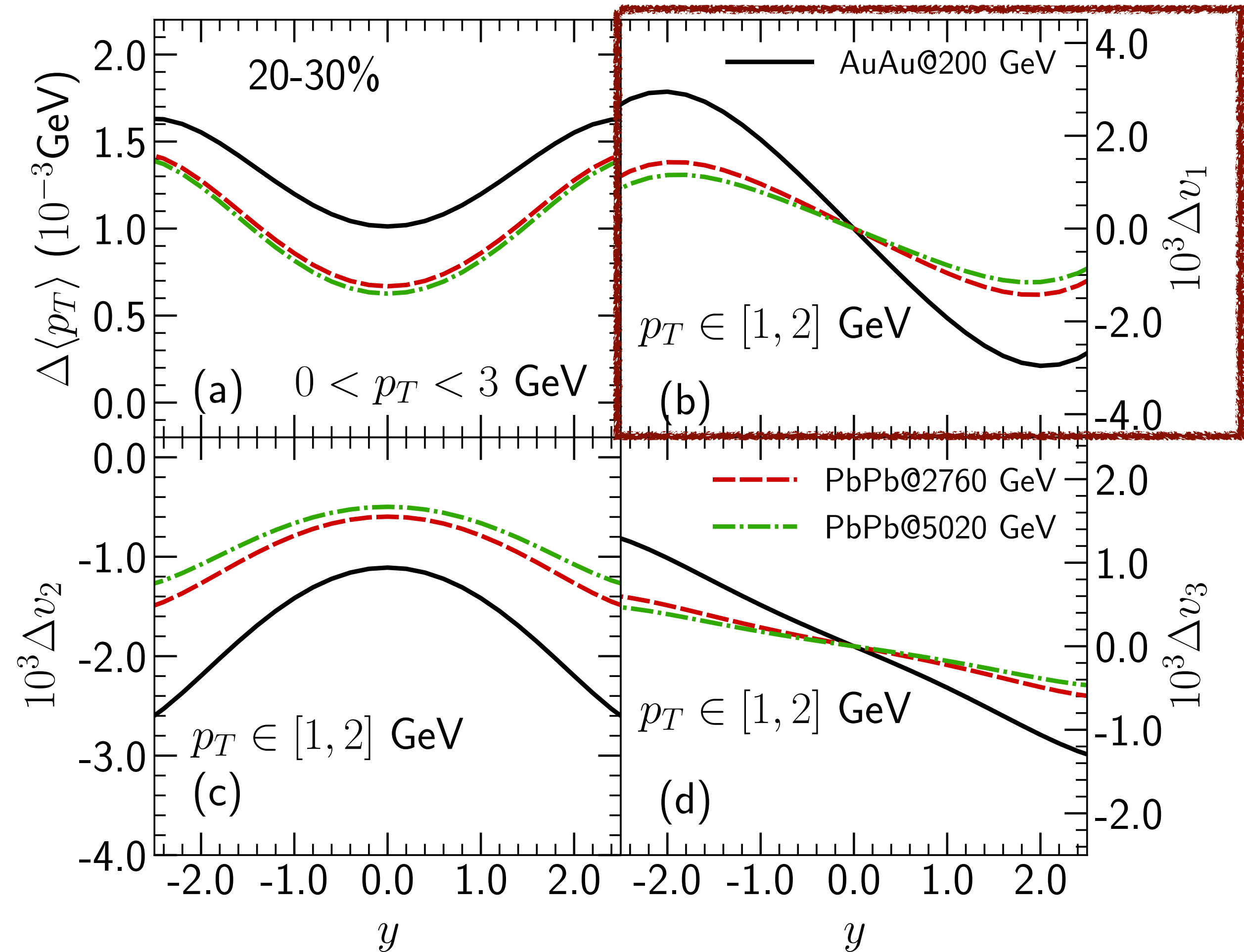


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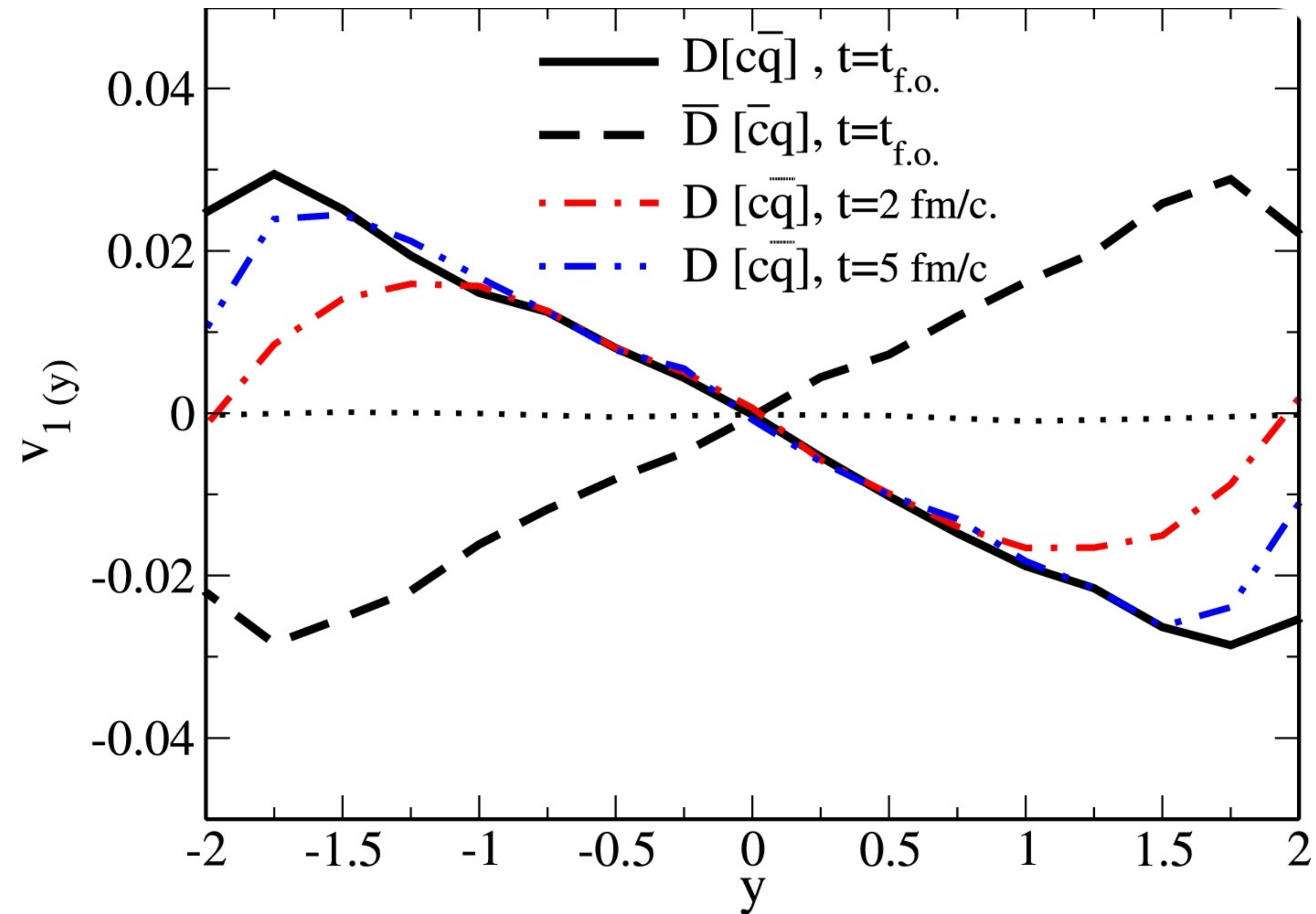


EXPERIMENTAL PROBE: CHARGE DEPENDENT V_N

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Charm quark (small formation time) suitable probe of the early stage E/M fields

Expectation of large values of directed flow



FIRST LHC RESULTS

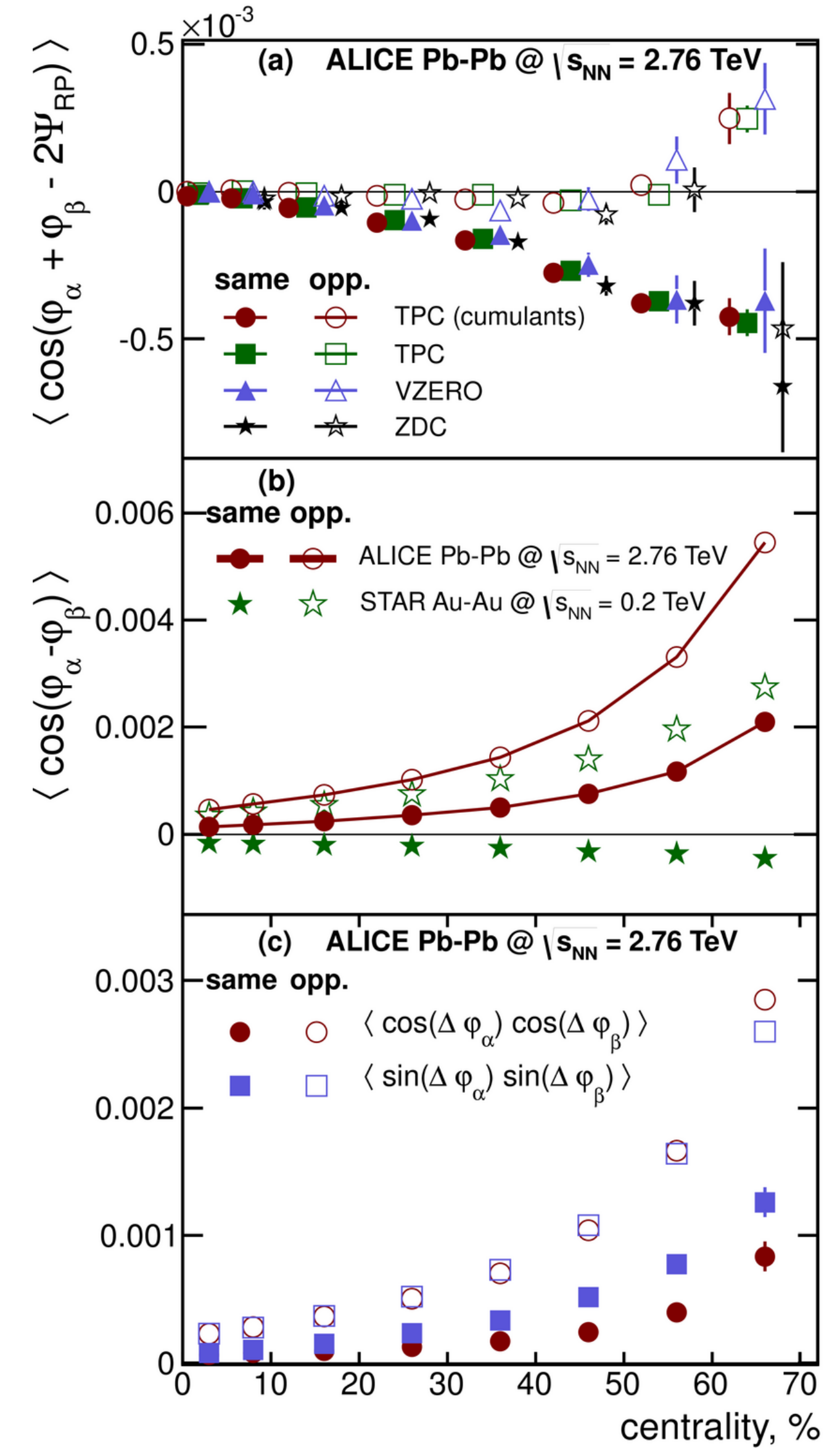
Significant charge dependent correlations also at LHC energies

“Dominance” of $\langle \sin \cdot \sin \rangle$ terms (proportional to $\langle a_{1,\alpha} \cdot a_{1,\beta} \rangle$) over the $\langle \cos \cdot \cos \rangle$ terms for same sign pairs

Consistent with CME expectations

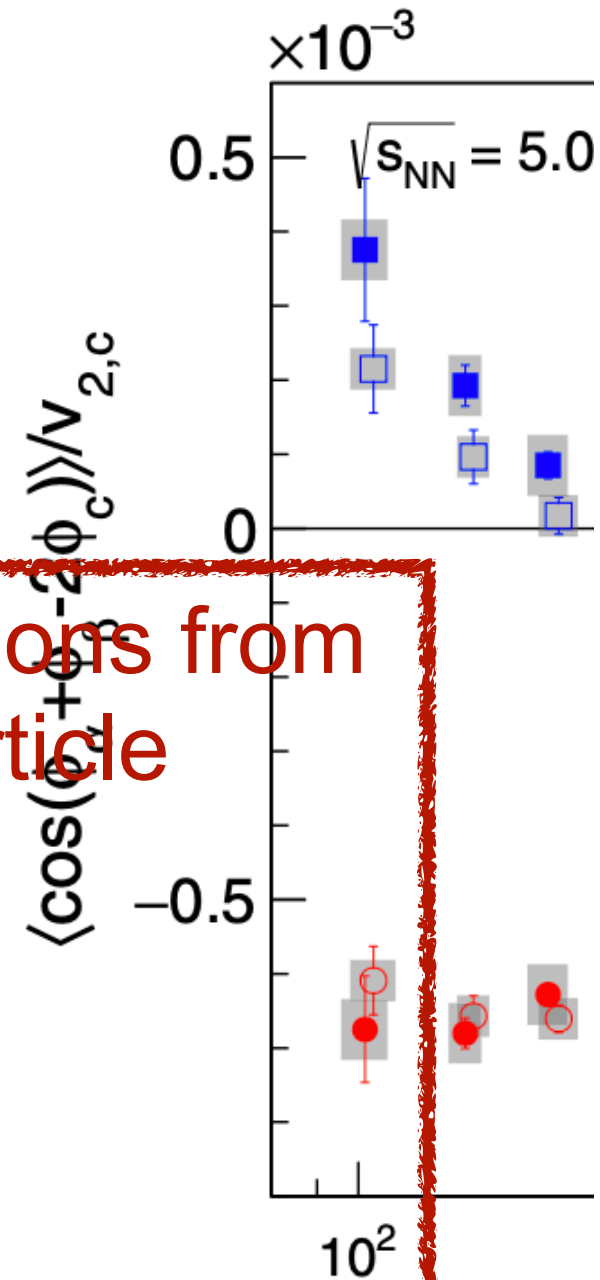
$$\gamma_{11}$$

$$\delta_1$$



AT THE SAME TIME...SMALL SYSTEMS

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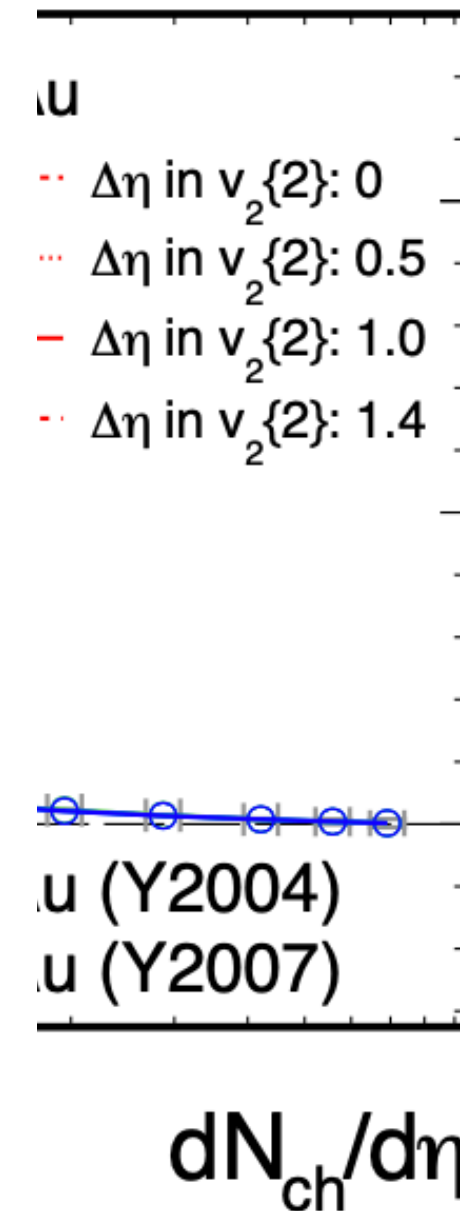
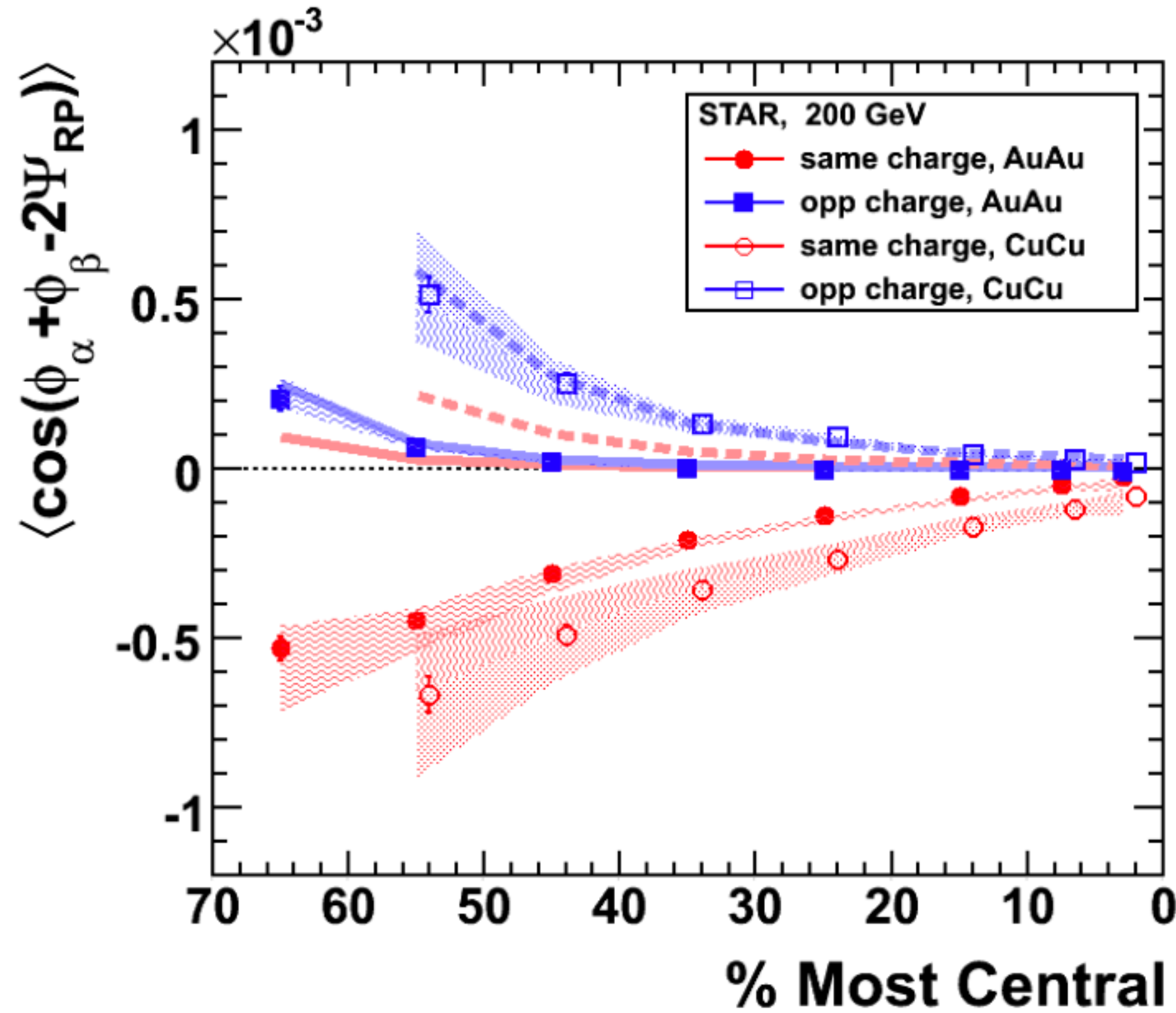
Lines: Expectations from HIJING on 3-particle correlations

Solid: Au-Au

Dashed: Cu-Cu

Significant charge

- Note: the result
- They can be used as dominant \rightarrow (n



effects can be dependent effects)

ANOMALOUS VISCOUS FLUID DYNAMICS (AVFD)

Anomalous Chiral Transport in Heavy Ion Collisions from Anomalous-Viscous Fluid Dynamics

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Chiral anomaly is a fundamental aspect of quantum theories with chiral fermions. How such microscopic anomaly manifests itself in a macroscopic many-body system with chiral fermions, is a highly nontrivial question that has recently attracted significant interest. As it turns out, unusual transport currents can be induced by chiral anomaly under suitable conditions in such systems, with the notable example of the Chiral Magnetic Effect (CME) where a vector current (e.g. electric current) is generated along an external magnetic field. A lot of efforts have been made to search for CME in heavy ion collisions, by measuring the charge separation effect induced by the CME transport. A crucial challenge in such effort, is the quantitative prediction for the CME signal. In this paper, we develop the Anomalous-Viscous Fluid Dynamics (AVFD) framework, which implements the anomalous fluid dynamics to describe the evolution of fermion currents in QGP, on top of the neutral bulk background described by the VISH2+1 hydrodynamic simulations for heavy ion collisions.

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Quantifying Chiral Magnetic Effect from Anomalous-Viscous Fluid Dynamics

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The Chiral Magnetic Effect (CME) is a macroscopic manifestation of fundamental chiral anomaly in a many-body system of chiral fermions, and emerges as anomalous transport current in the fluid dynamics framework. Experimental observation of CME is of great interest and has been reported in Dirac and Weyl semimetals. Significant efforts have also been made to look for CME in heavy ion collisions. Critically needed for such search, is the theoretical prediction for CME signal. In this paper we report a first quantitative modeling framework, the Anomalous Viscous Fluid Dynamics (AVFD), which computes the evolution of fermion currents on top of realistic bulk evolution in heavy ion collisions and simultaneously accounts for both anomalous and normal viscous transport effects. The AVFD allows a quantitative understanding of the generation and evolution of CME-induced charge separation during hydrodynamic stage as well as its dependence on theoretical ingredients. With reasonable estimates of key parameters, the AVFD simulation provides the first phenomenologically successful explanation of the measured signal in 200AGeV AuAu collisions.

Introduction.— The importance of electricity for modern society cannot be overemphasized. From the physics point of view, lies at the heart of electricity is the conducting transport (of electric charge carriers). In normal materials, conducting transport generates an electric current \vec{J}_Q along the electric field \vec{E} (or voltage) applied to the system. This can be described by the usual Ohm's law $\vec{J}_Q = \sigma_e \vec{E}$ where the conductivity σ_e arises from competition between "ordered" electric force and "disordered" thermal scattering, henceforth involving dissipation and typically dependent upon specific dynamics of the system. More recently there have been significant interests, from both high energy and condensed matter physics communities, in a new category of anomalous chiral transport in quantum materials containing chiral fermions. A notable example is the Chiral Magnetic Effect (CME) [1,2] — the generation of an electric current \vec{J}_Q along the magnetic field \vec{B} applied to the system, i.e.

$$\vec{J}_Q = \sigma_e \vec{E} \quad (1)$$

where $\sigma_e = C_A \mu_5$ is the chiral magnetic conductivity, expressed in terms of the chiral chemical potential μ_5 that quantifies the imbalance between fermions of opposite (right-handed, RH versus left-handed, LH) chirality.

The σ_e has two remarkable features that make it markedly different from the normal conductivity σ_e . First, the coefficient C_A takes a universal value of $Q^2/(4\pi^2)$ (for each species of RH or LH fermions with electric charge Q) from non-interacting cases to extremely strongly coupled cases [3,4]. In fact, it is entirely dictated by universal chiral anomaly coefficient, and the

CME is really just the macroscopic manifestation of the fundamental quantum anomaly in a many-body setting. Second, the σ_e is time-reversal even [5] which implies the non-dissipative nature of the underlying transport process that leads to the CME current in [6].

Given the magnificent physics of Chiral Magnetic Effect, it is of utmost interest to search for its manifestation in real-world materials. Two types of systems for experimental detection of CME have been enthusiastically investigated. One is the so-called Dirac and Weyl semimetals where electronic states emerge as effective chiral fermions and exhibit chiral anomaly [7,8]. Discoveries of CME were reported in those systems [9,10]. The other is the quark-gluon plasma (QGP), which is the deconfined form of nuclear matter at very high temperatures $T \sim$ trillion degrees, consisting of approximately massless light quarks. Such a new form of hot matter once filled the whole universe and is now (re)created in laboratory at the Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider (RHIC) and the Large Hadron Collider (LHC). Search for potential CME signals has been ongoing at RHIC and the LHC [11,12], with encouraging evidences for CME-induced charge separation signal. The interpretation of these data however suffers from backgrounds arising from the complicated environment in a heavy ion collision (see e.g. [13,14]). Currently the most pressing challenge for the search of CME in heavy ion collisions is to clearly separate background contributions from the desired signal.

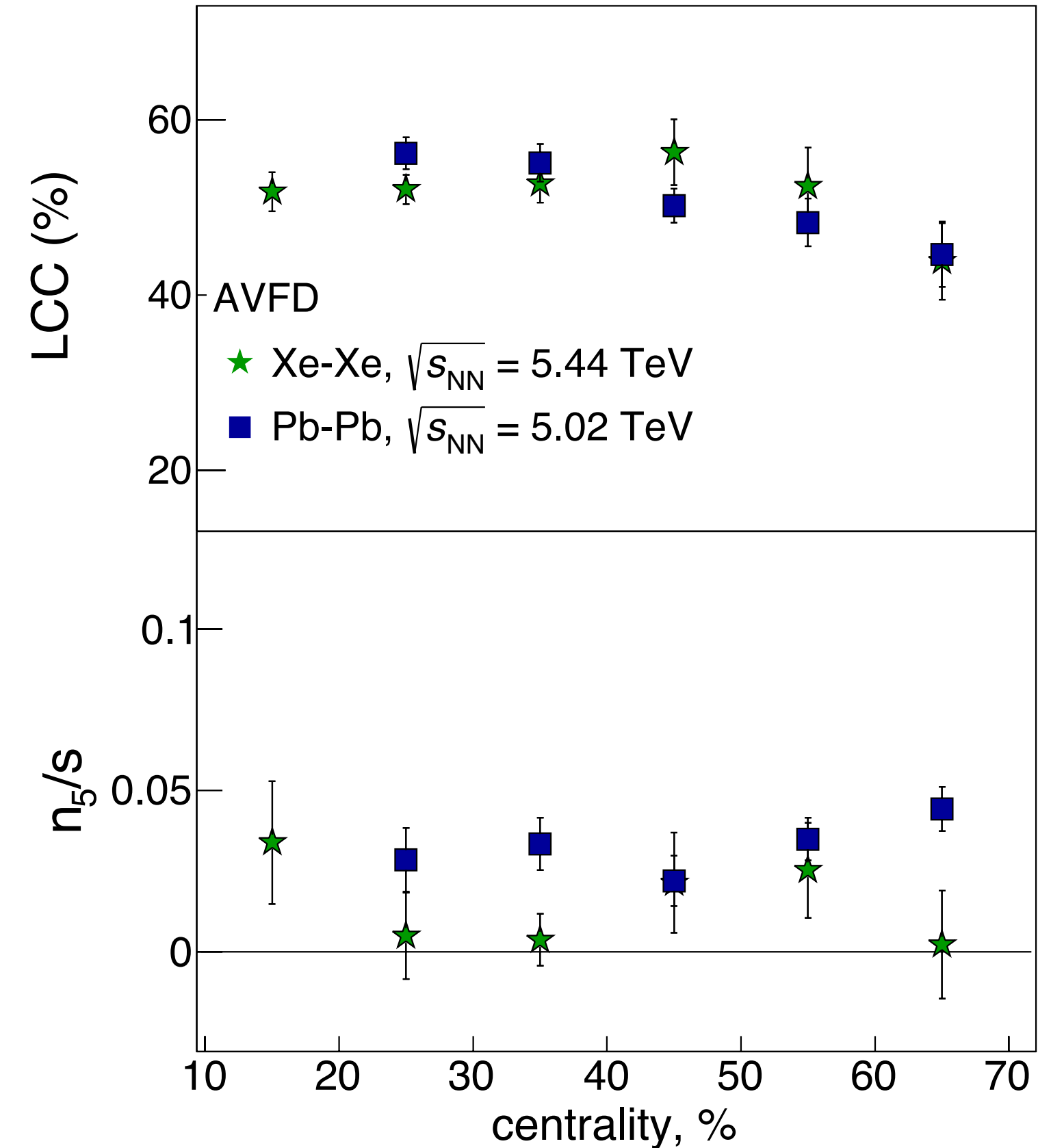
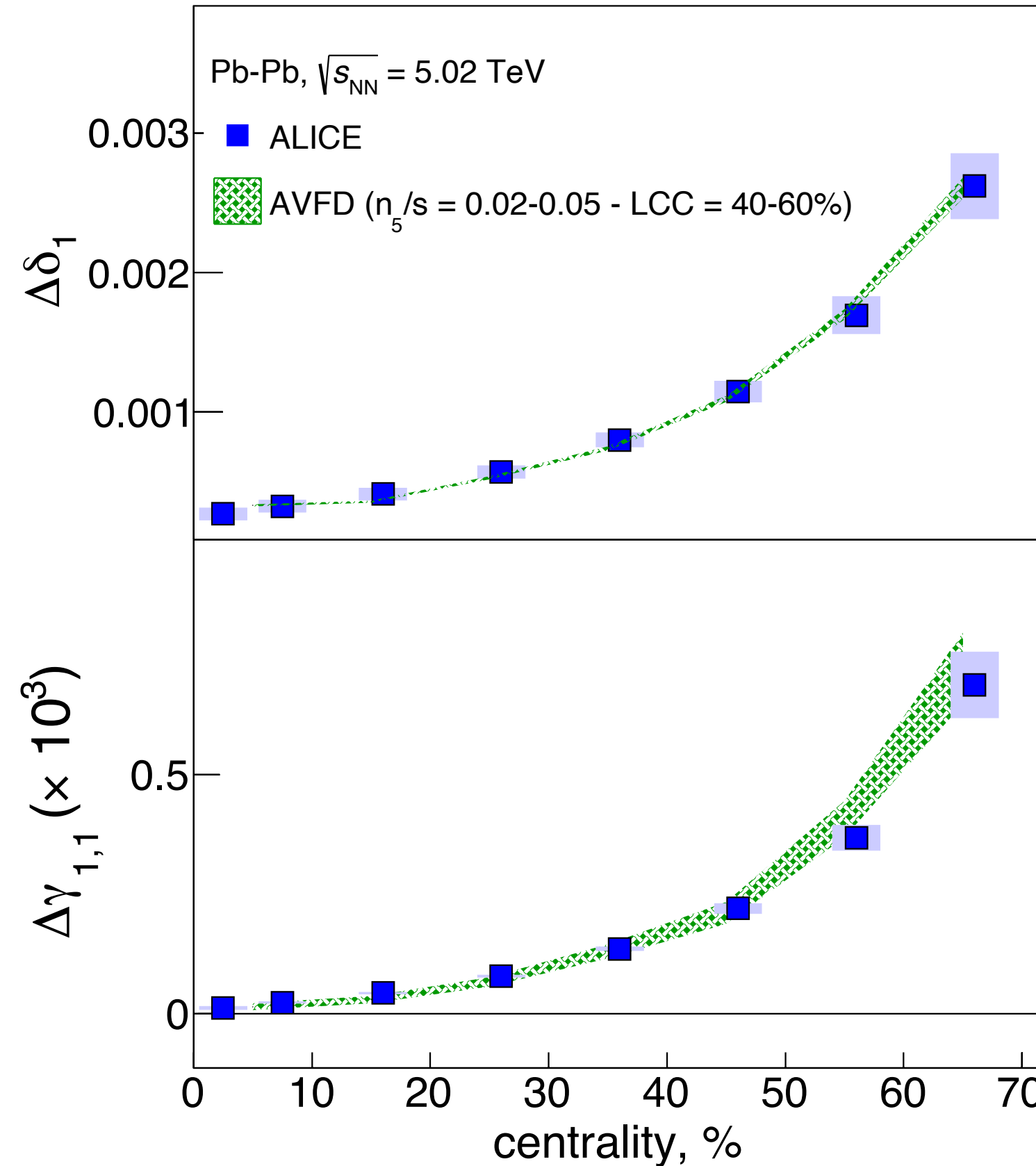
A mandatory and critically needed step, is to develop state-of-the-art modeling tools to compute CME signal in a realistic heavy ion collision environment. In this Letter we present such a tool, the Anomalous Viscous Fluid Dynamics (AVFD) framework, which simulates the evolution of chiral fermion currents in the QGP on top of the VISHNU bulk hydrodynamic evolution for heavy ion collisions. We demonstrate the features of this framework

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Model tuned to describe at the same time both $\Delta\delta$ and $\Delta\gamma$

$(\eta_5/s)_{\text{Xe-Xe}}$ consistent with 0
 $(\eta_5/s)_{\text{Pb-Pb}} = 0.034 \pm 0.003$



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