

# Collective Effects in p-A & A-A collisions



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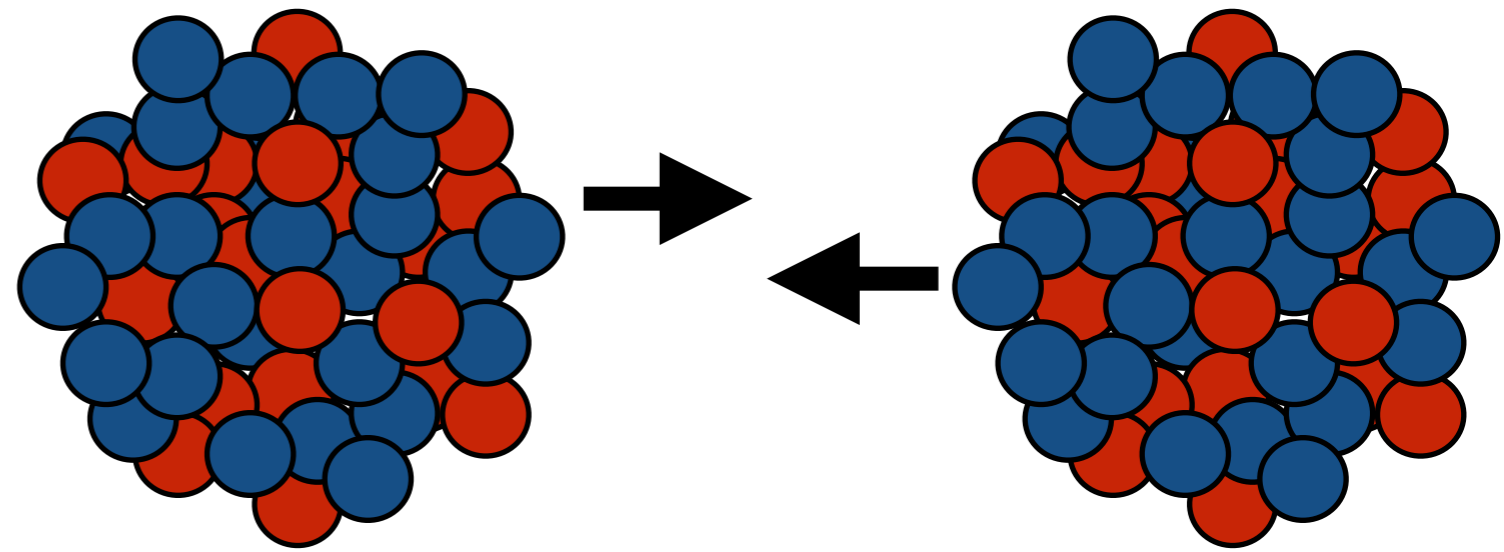
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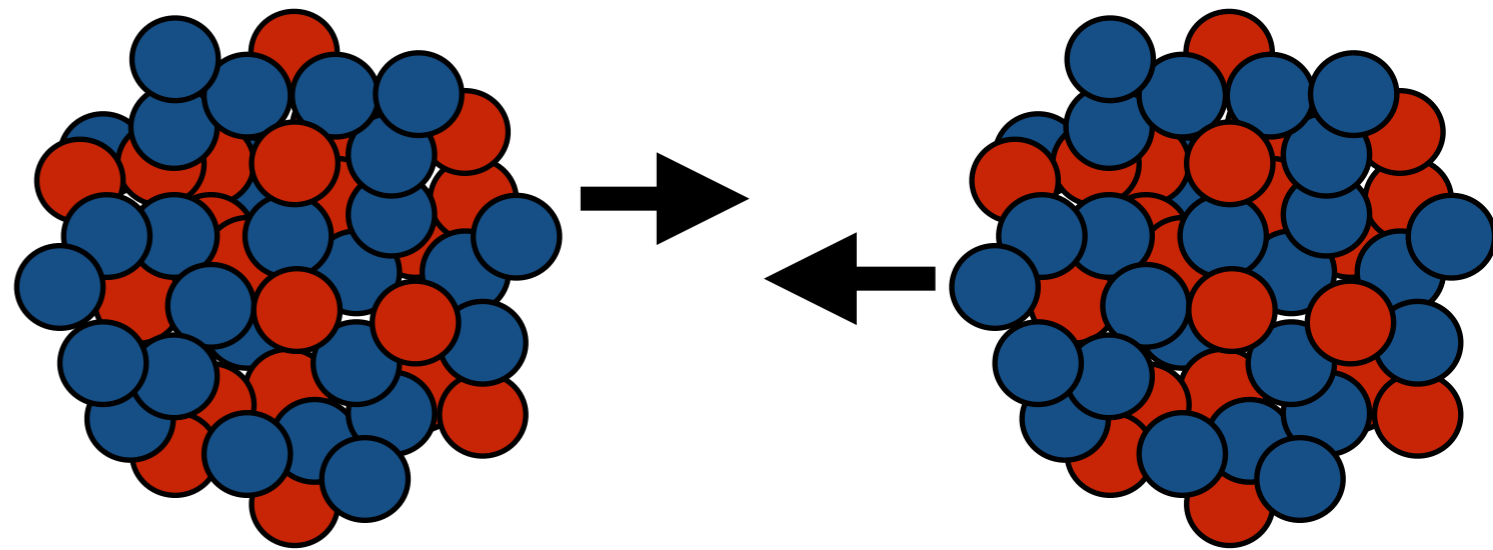
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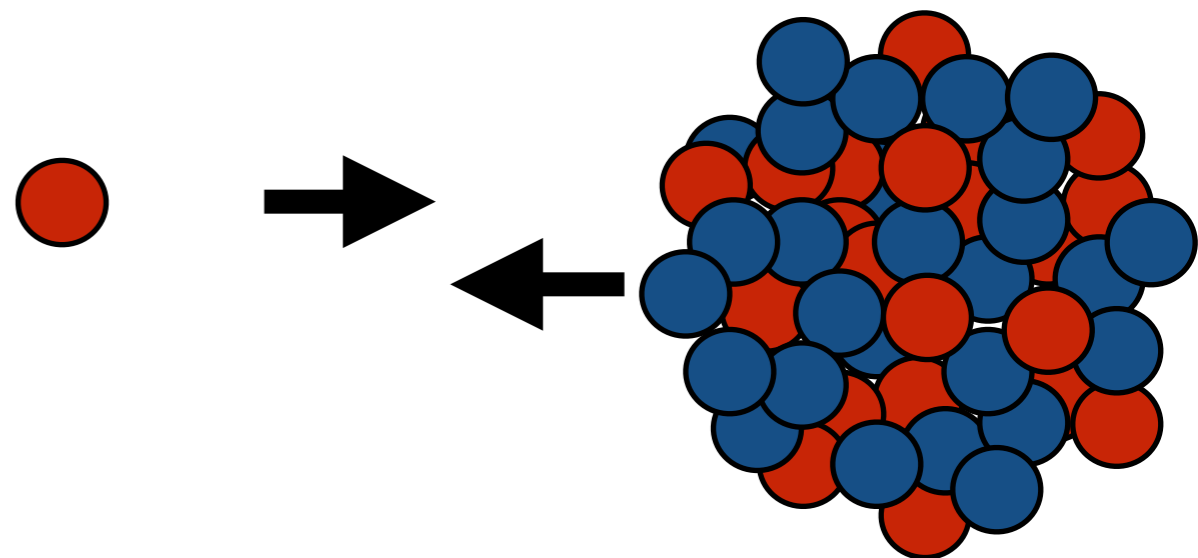
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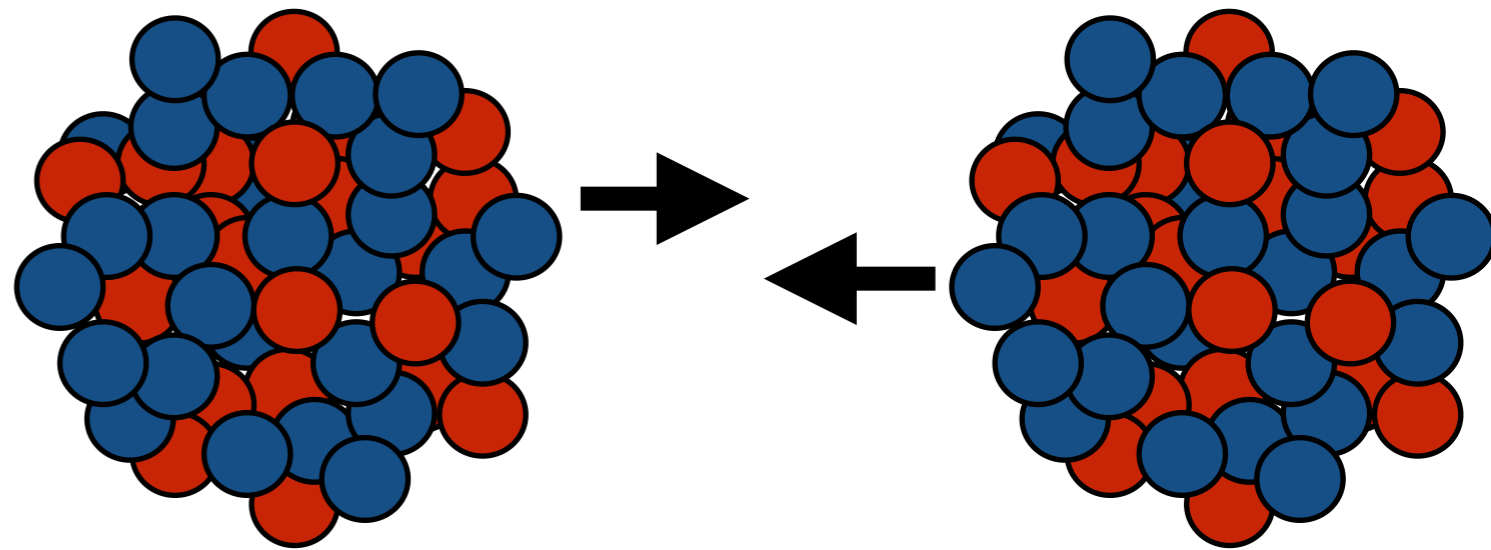
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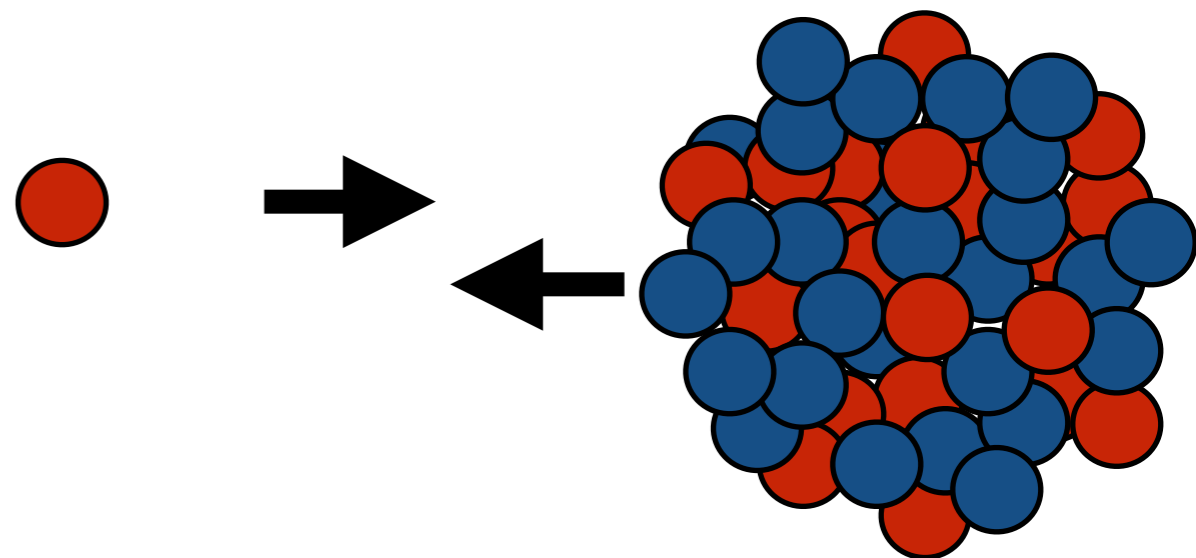
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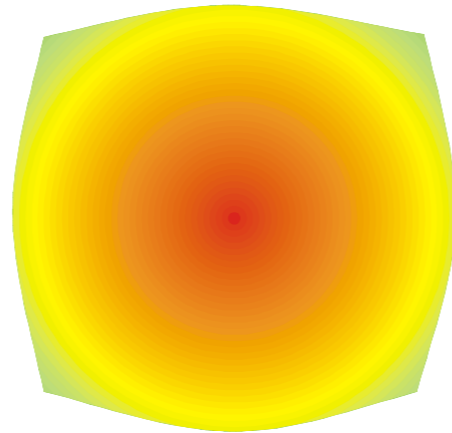


or maybe not...

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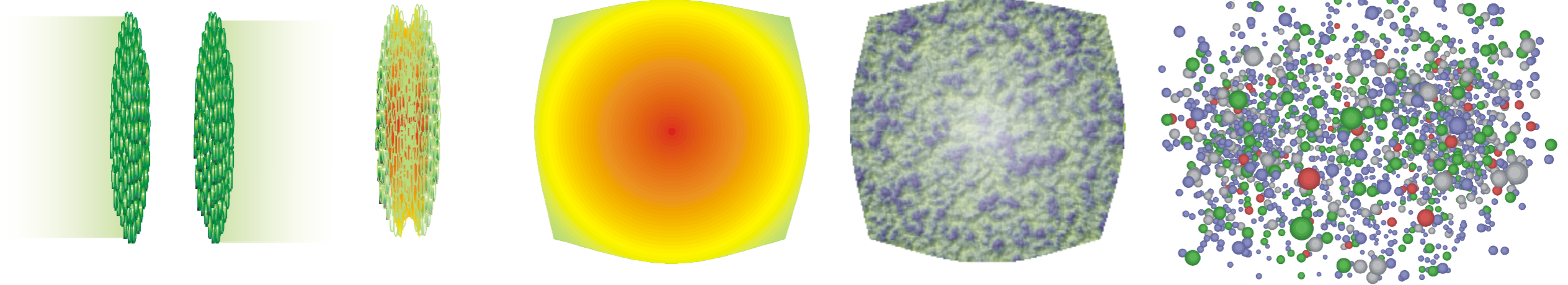
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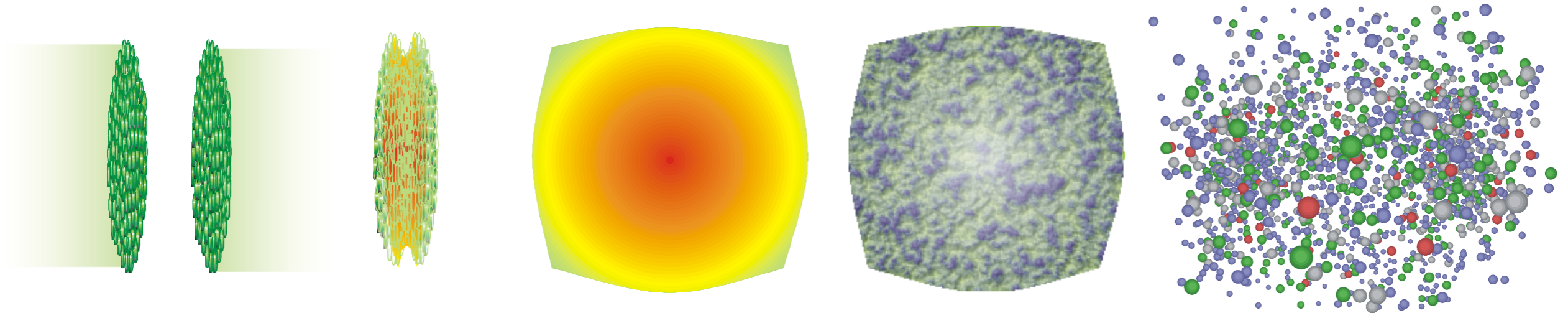
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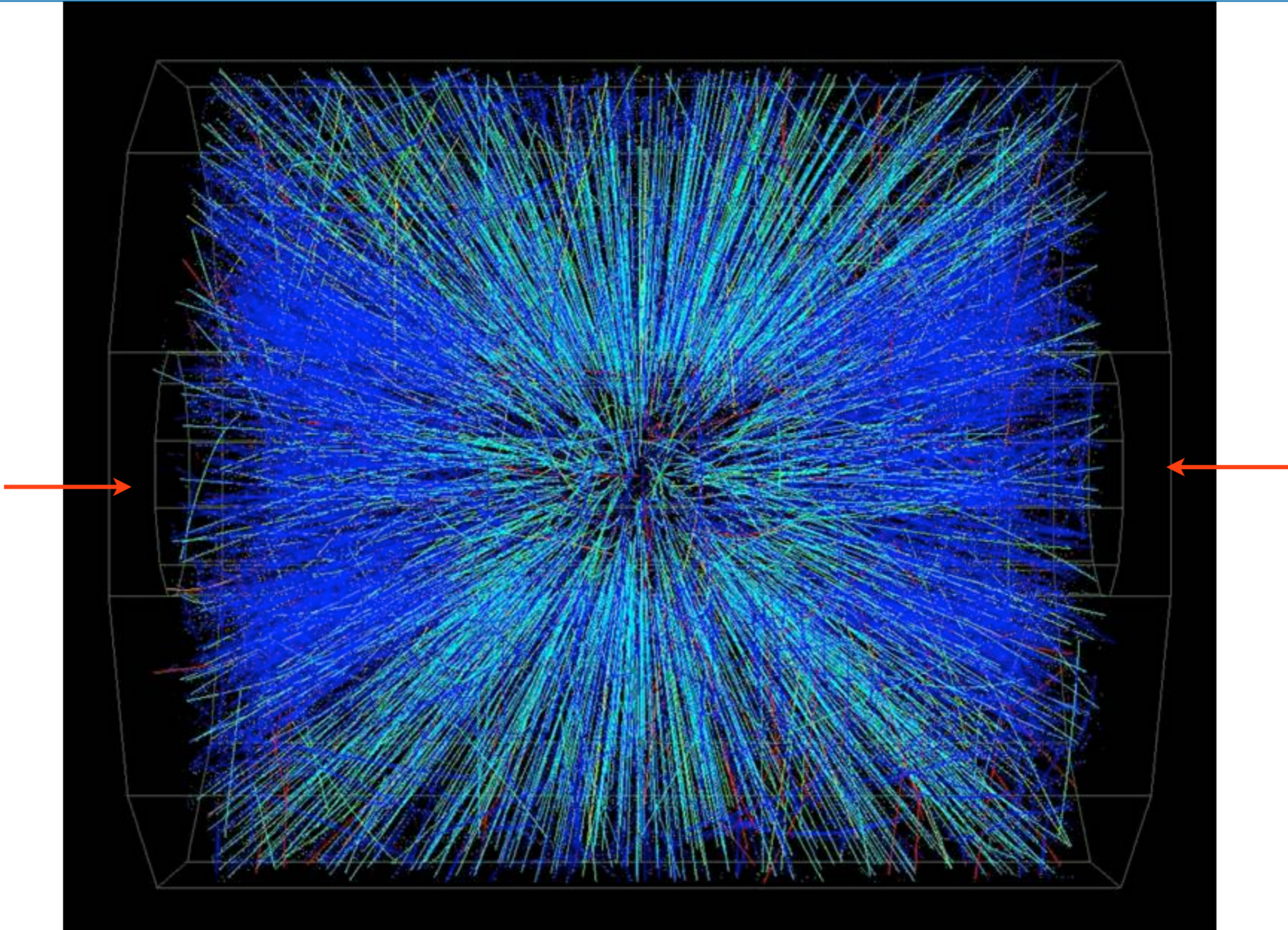
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want to untangle **QGP** effects from  
effects of initial nucleus and  
hadronic matter

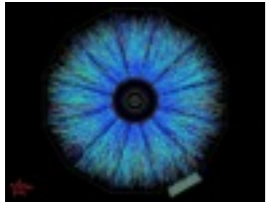


# the aftermath



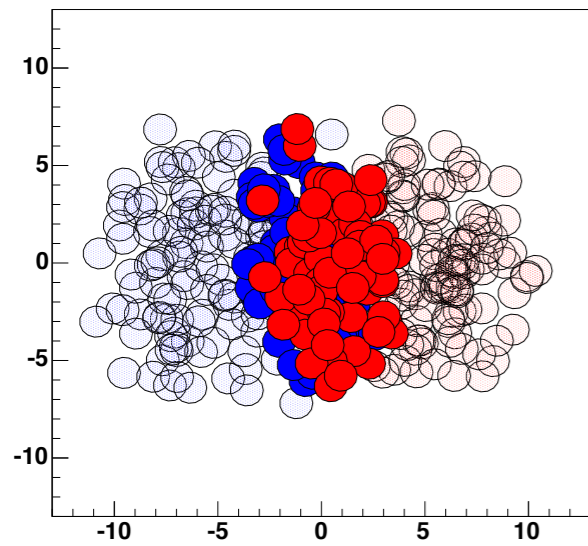
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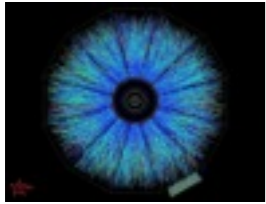
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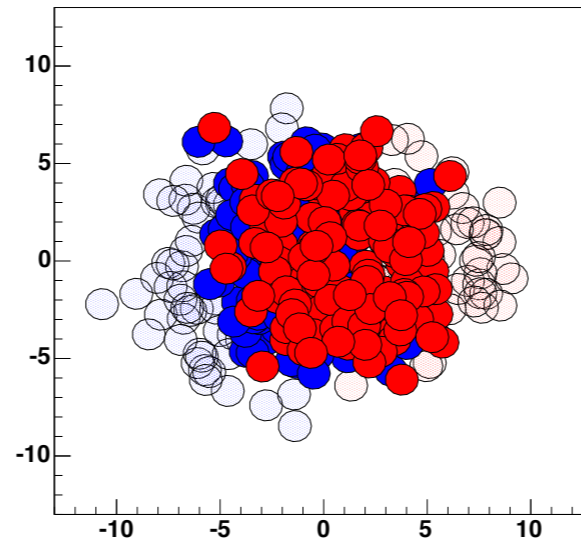
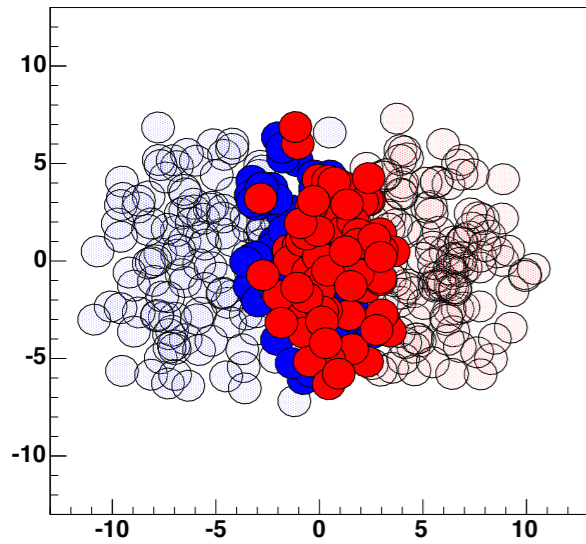
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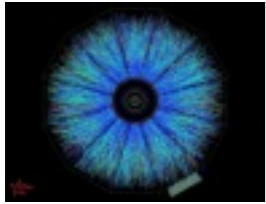


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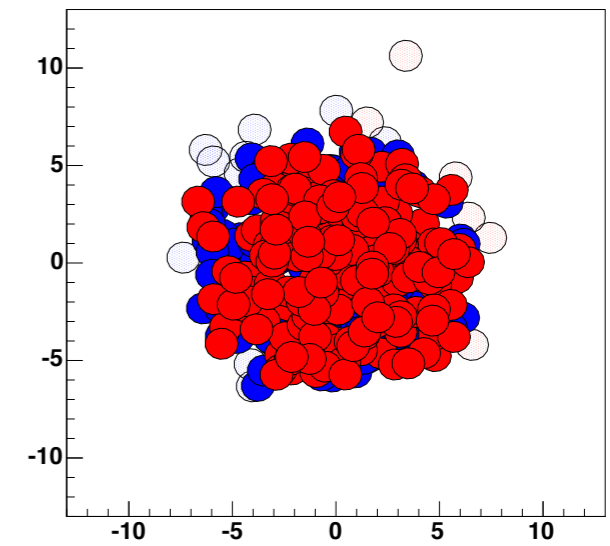
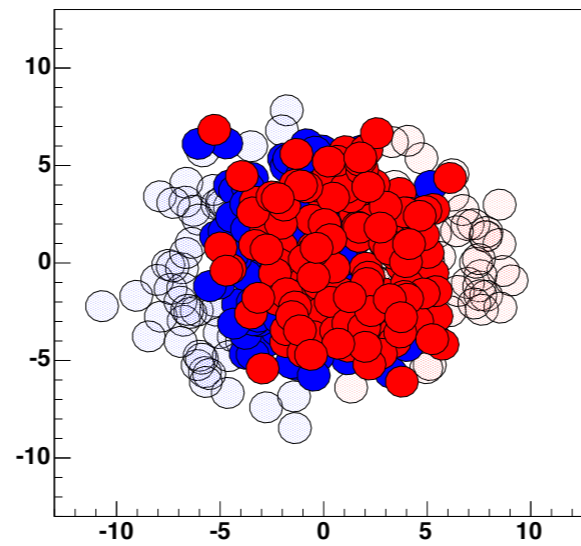
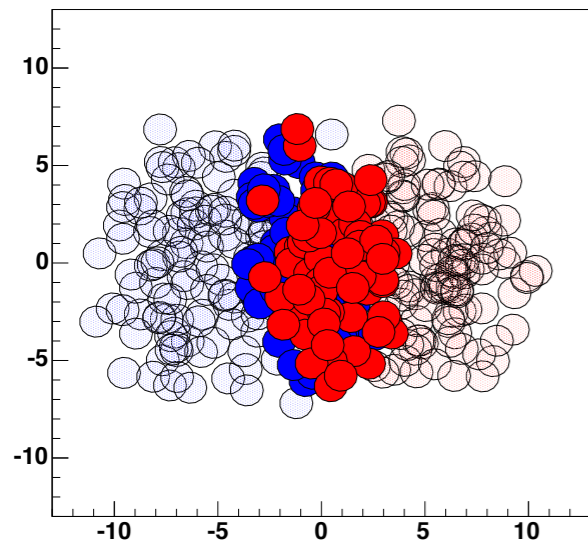


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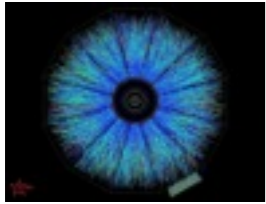


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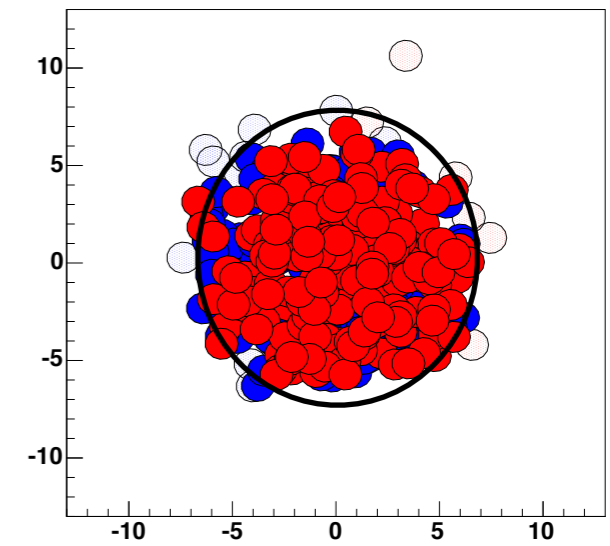
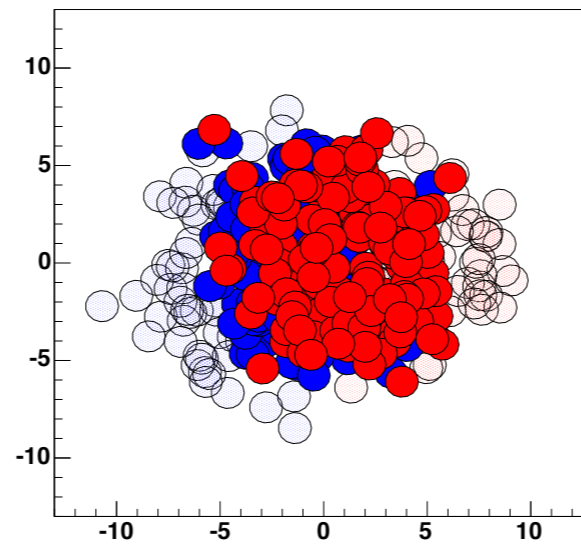
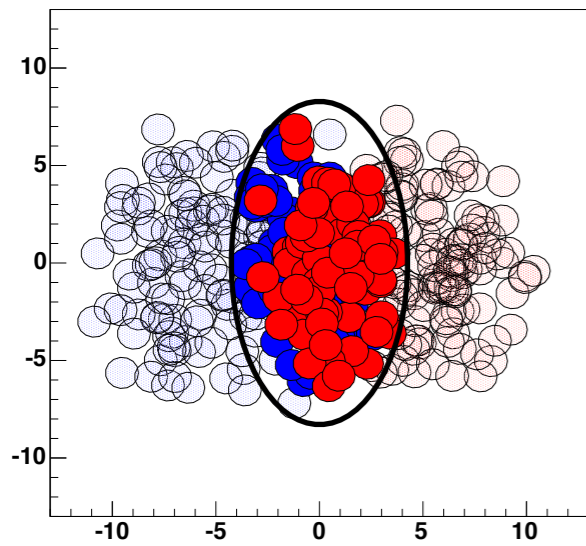


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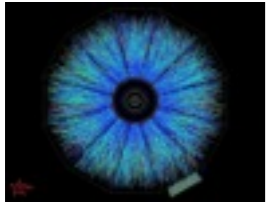
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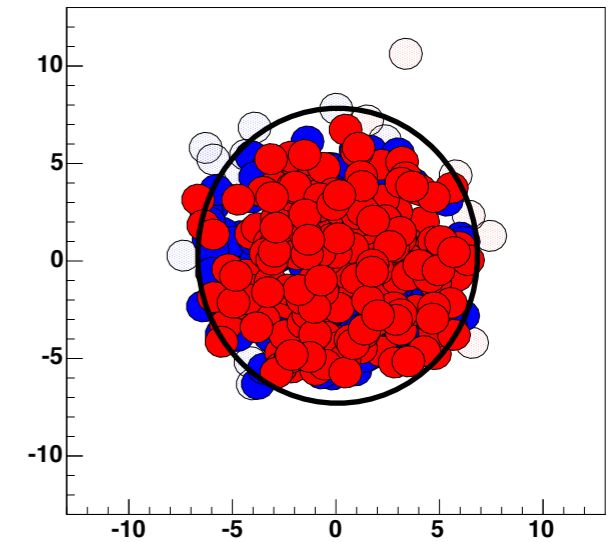
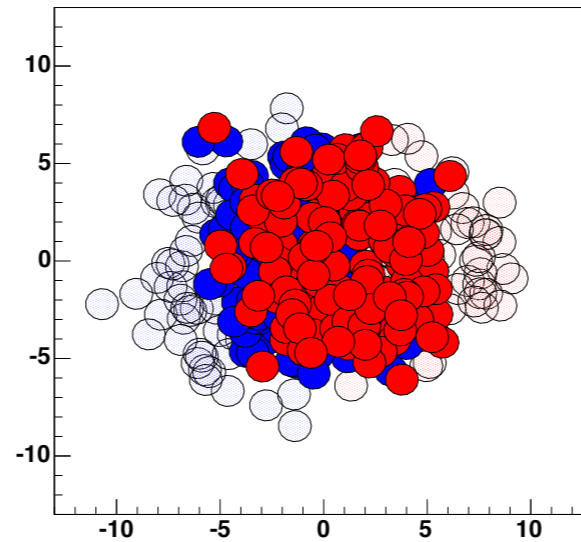
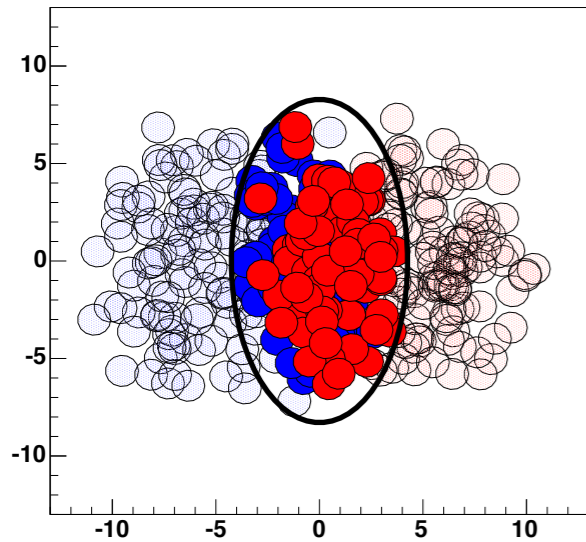


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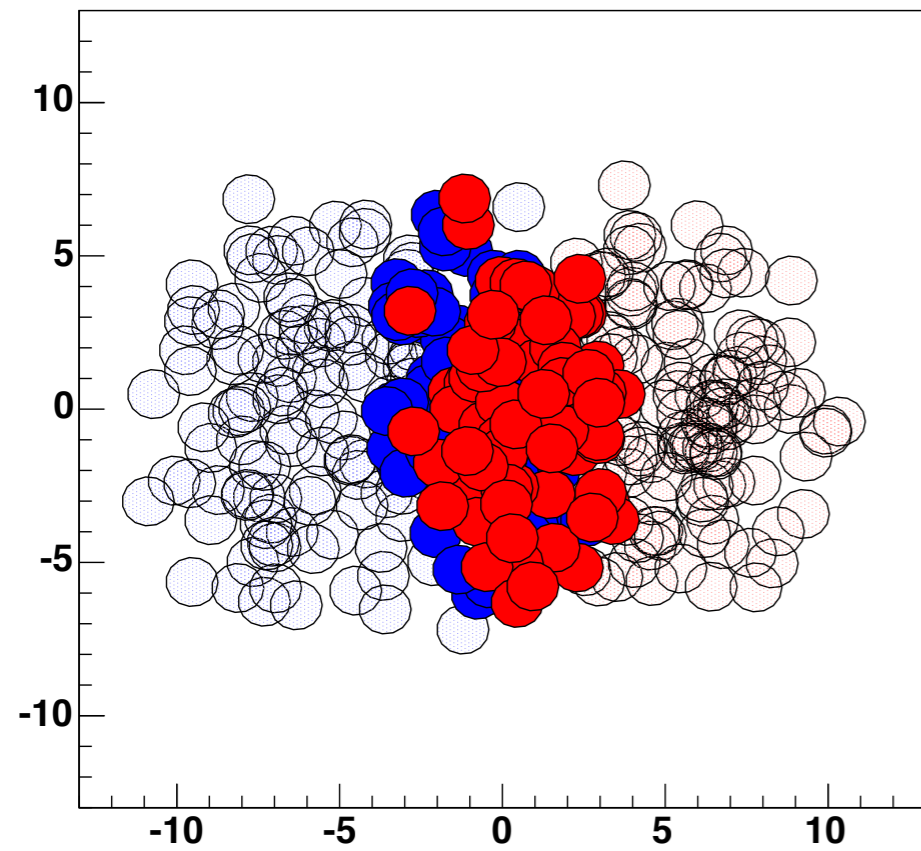
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the overlap of the nuclei changes shape with impact parameter

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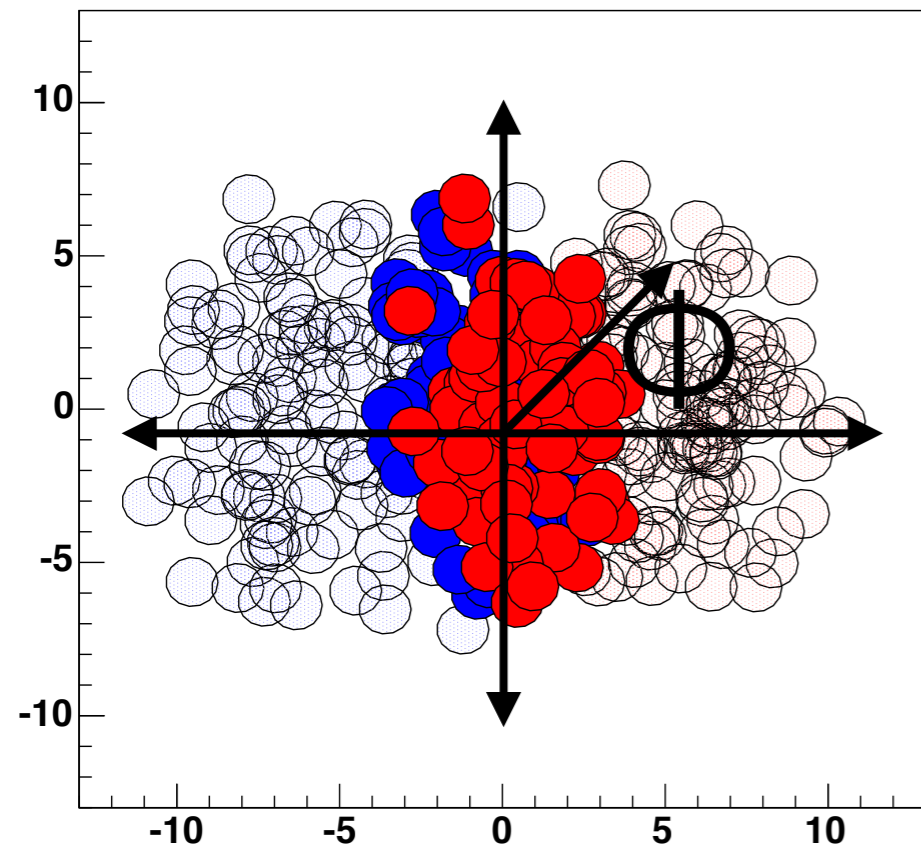
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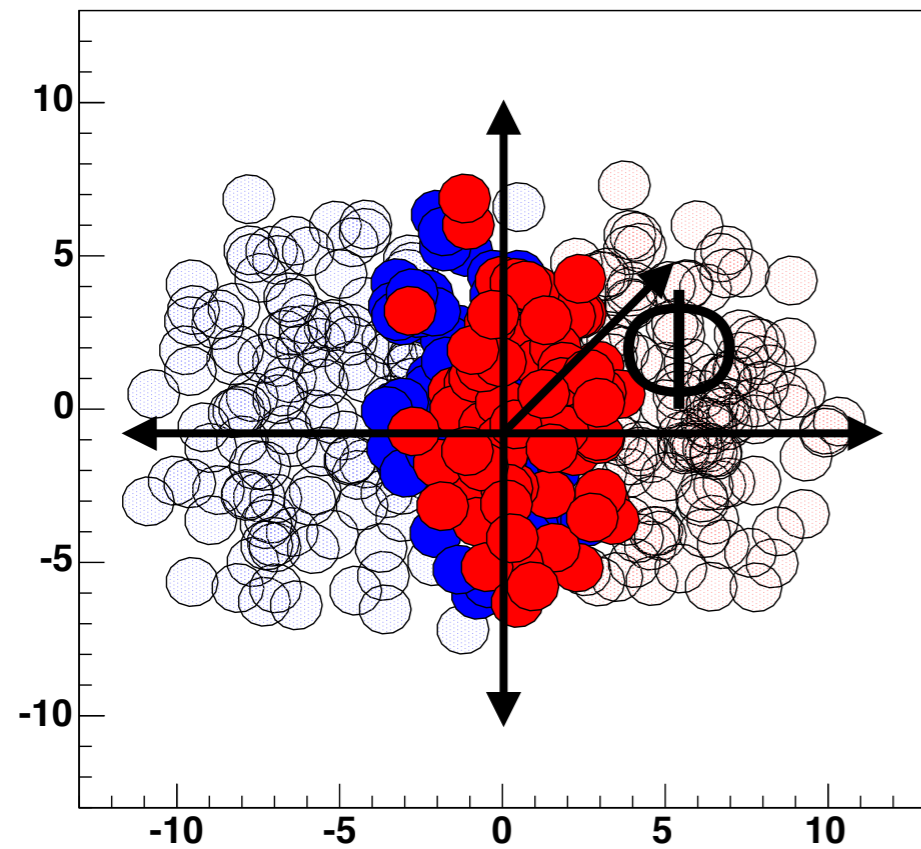
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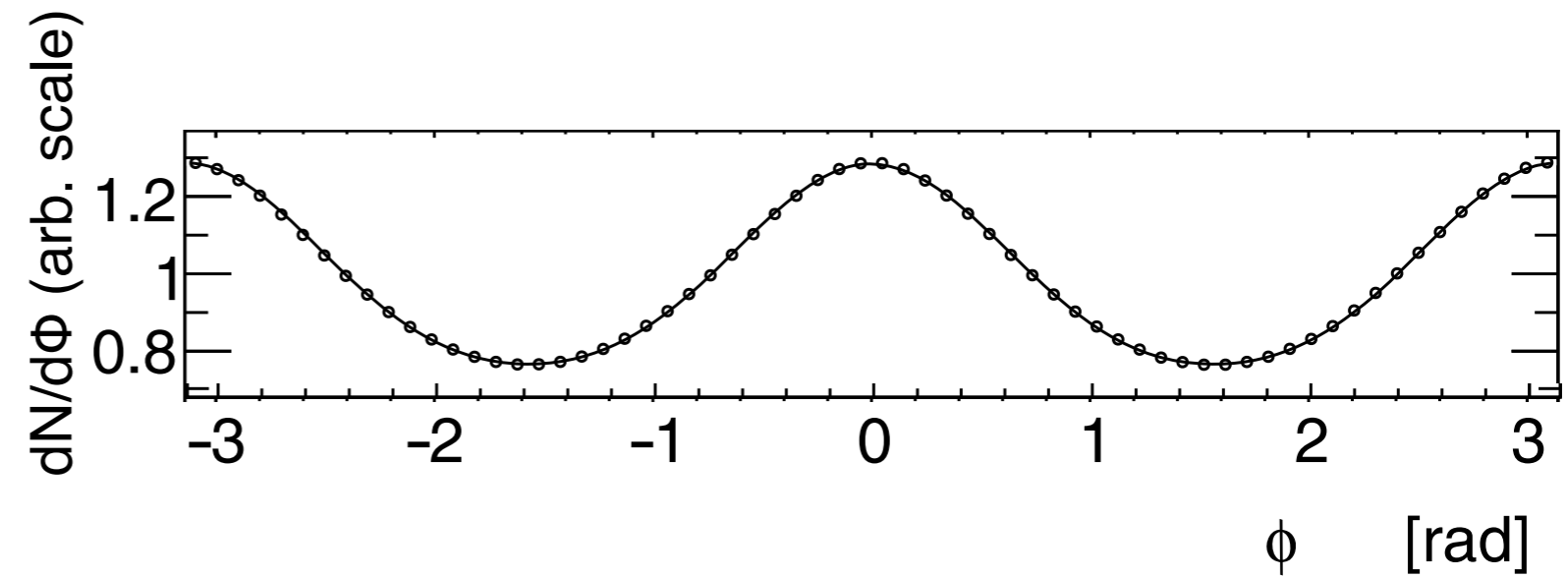


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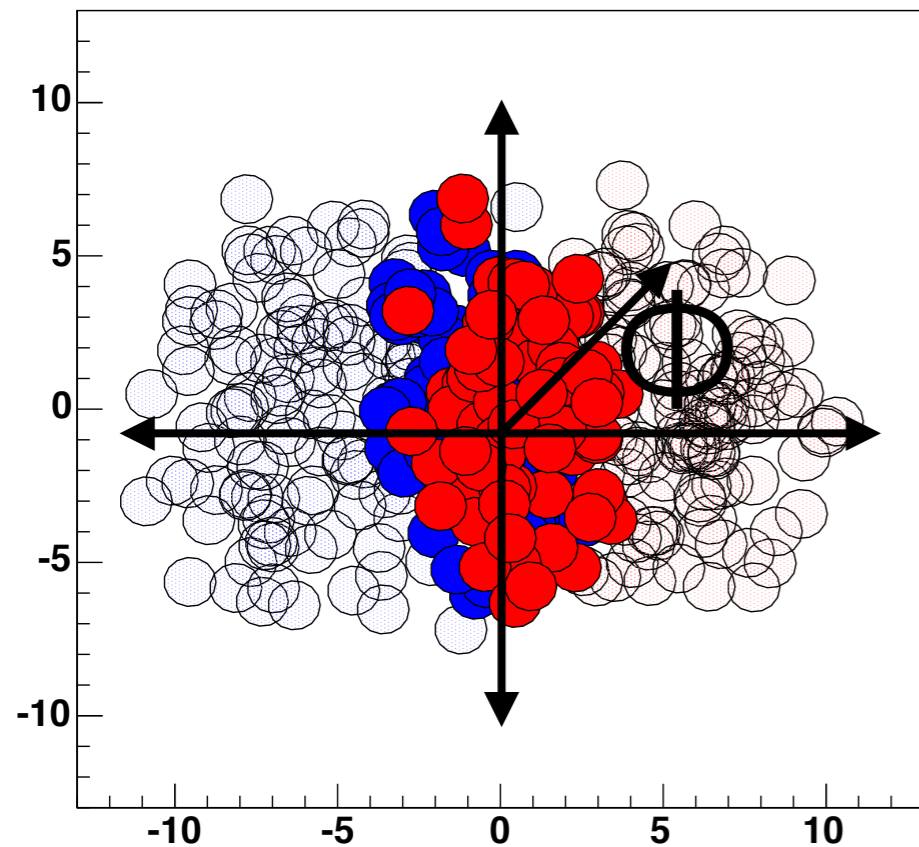


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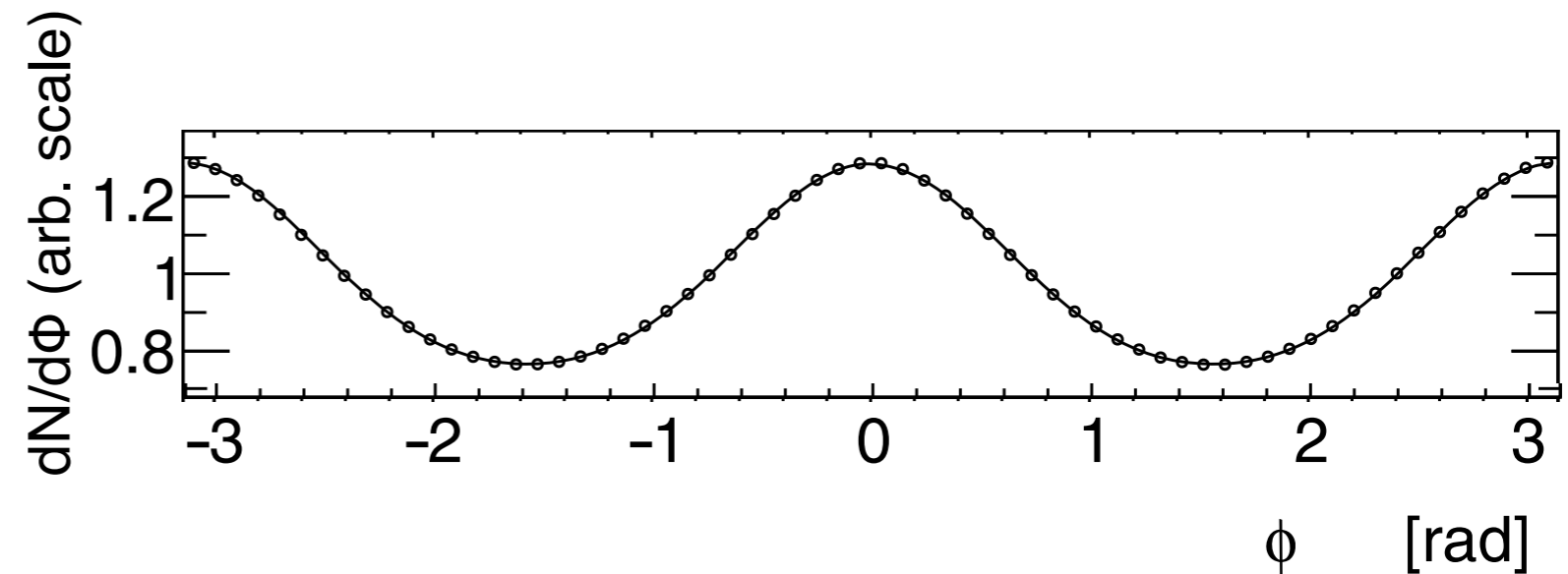


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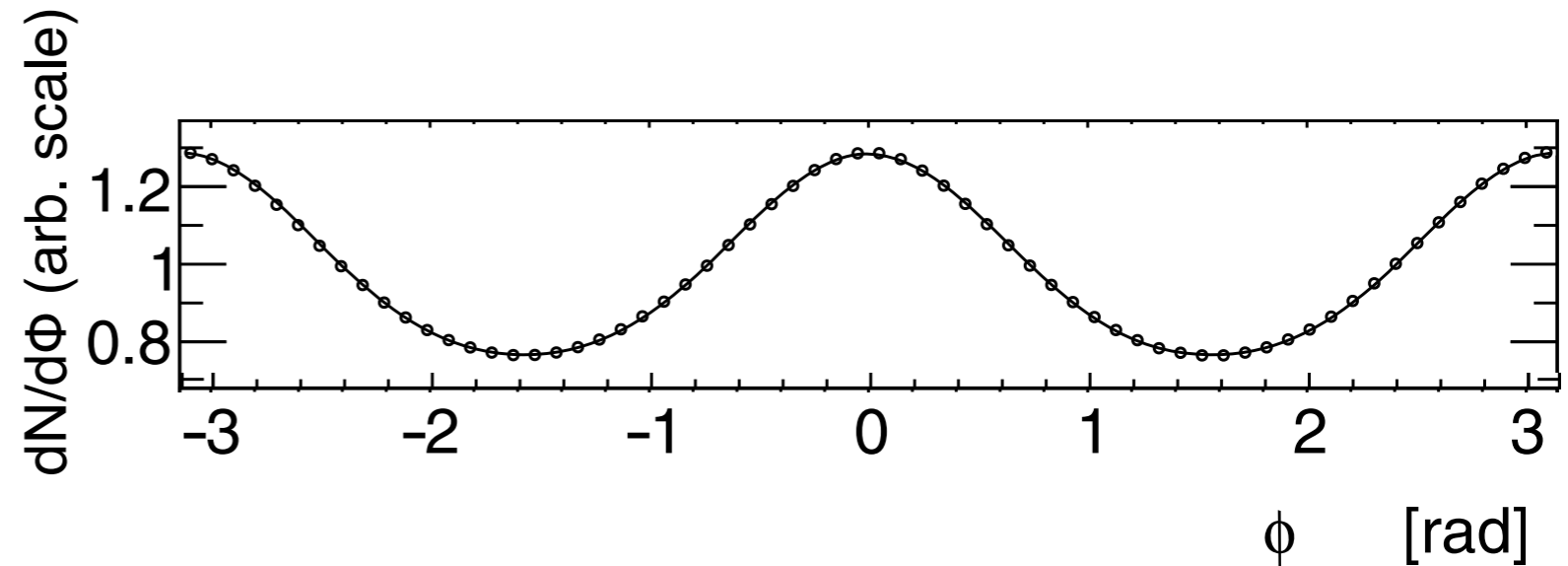
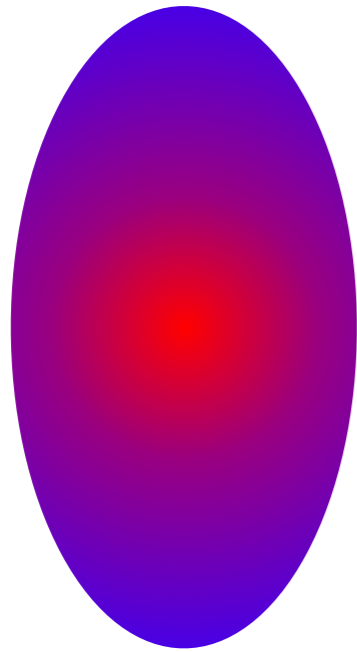
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the shape of the collisions is accessible in the  
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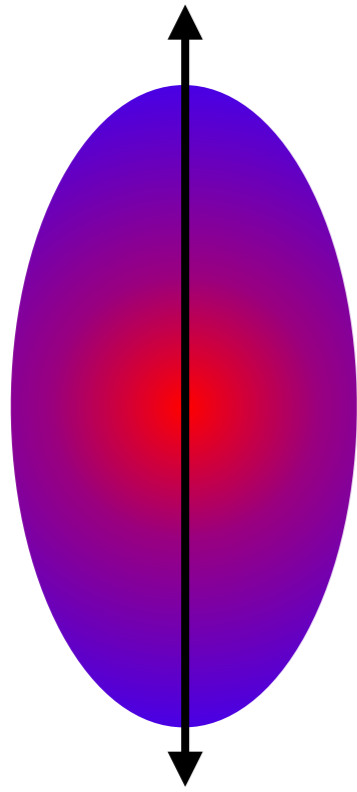
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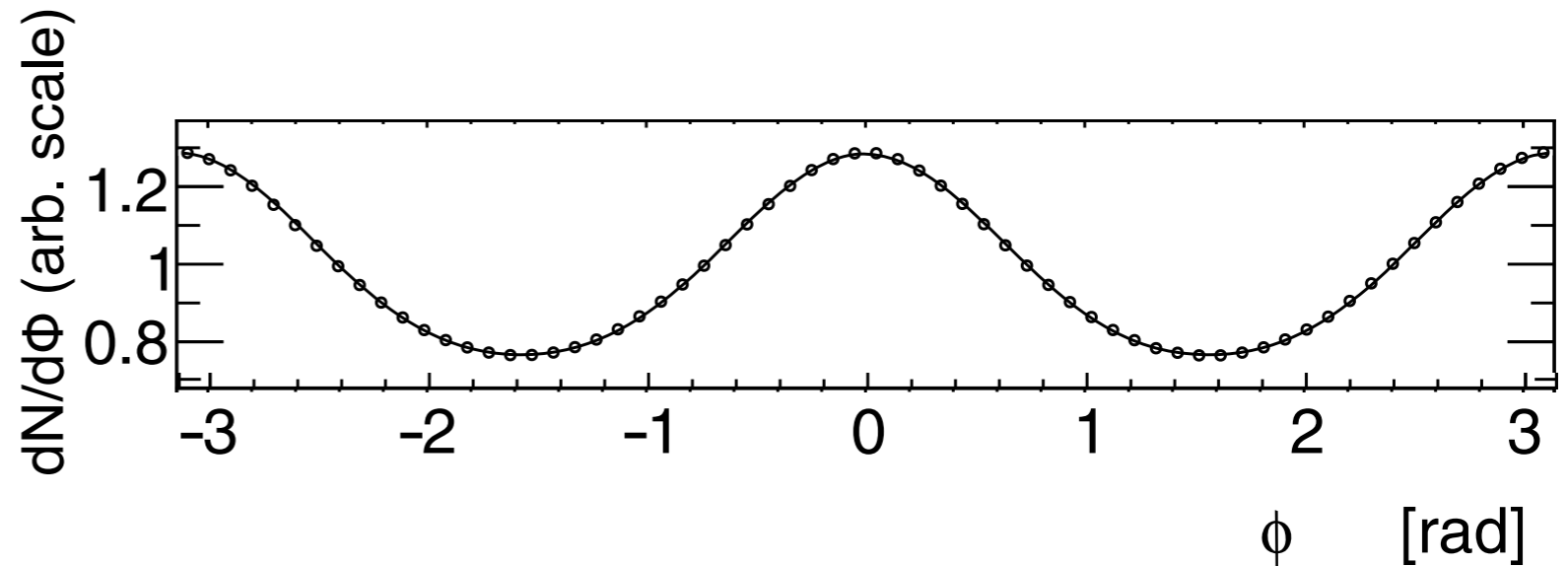


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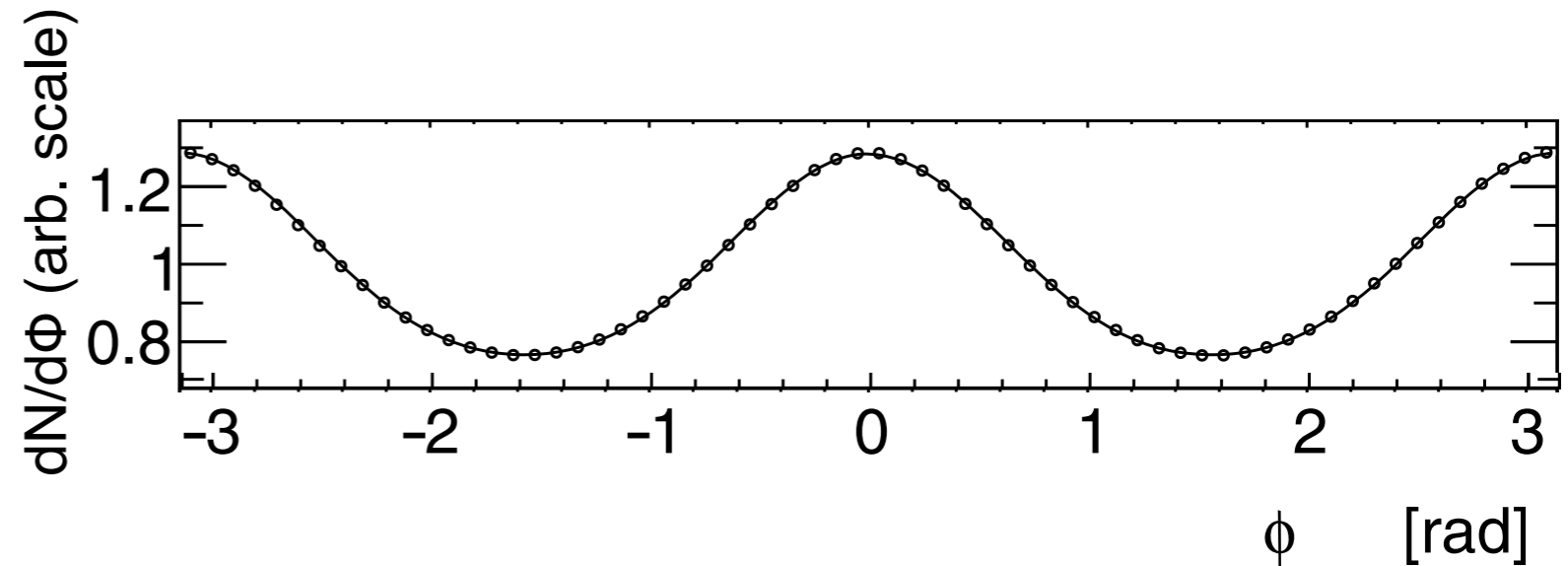
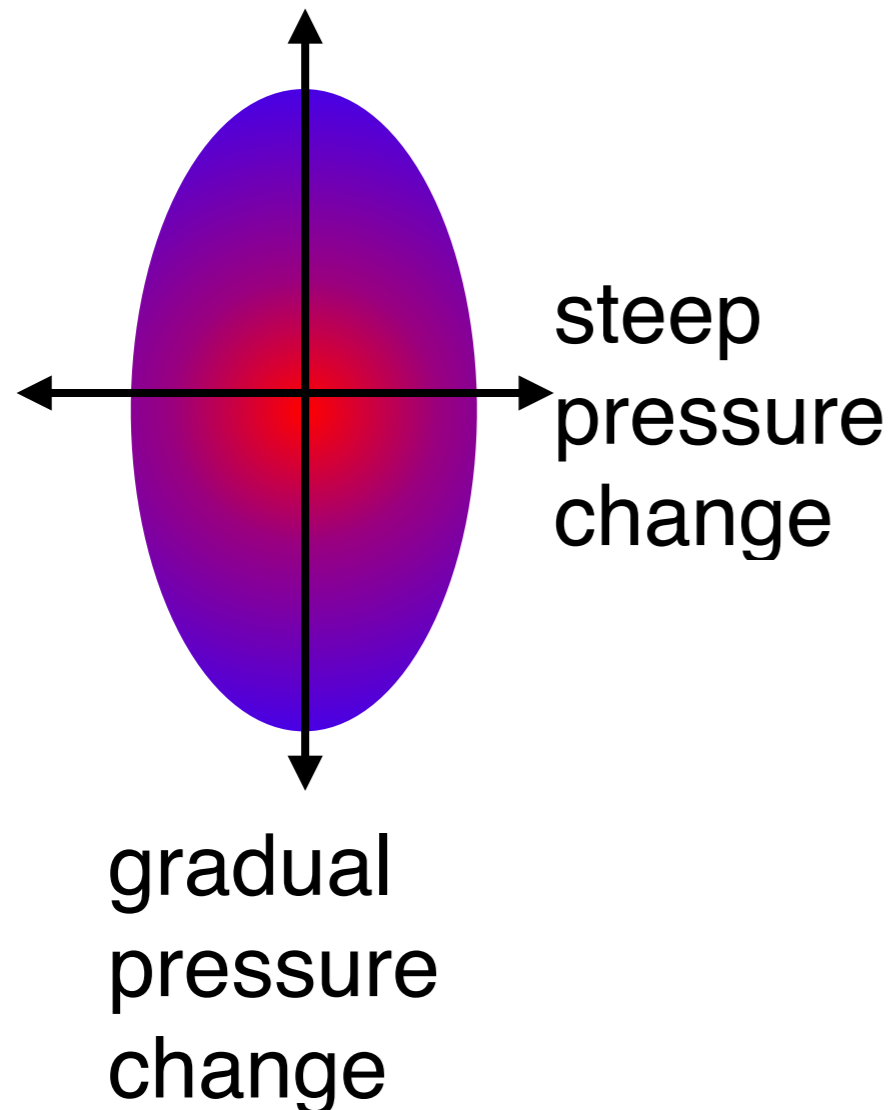


gradual  
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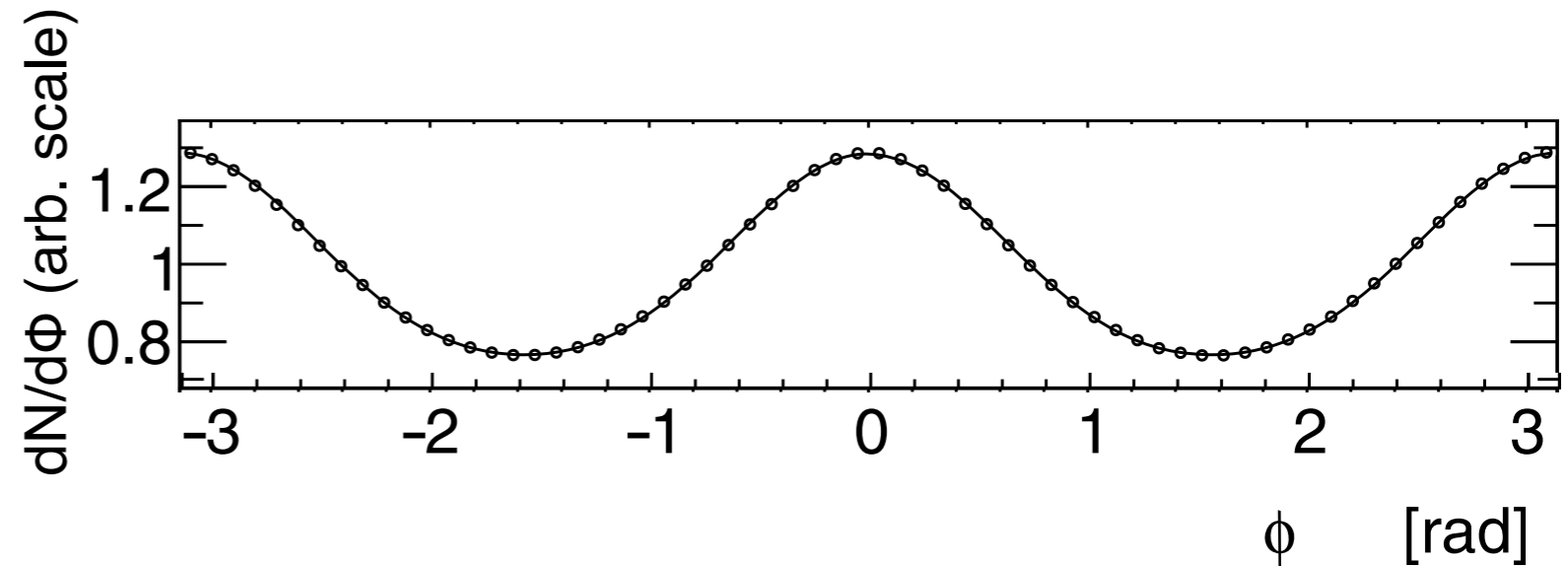
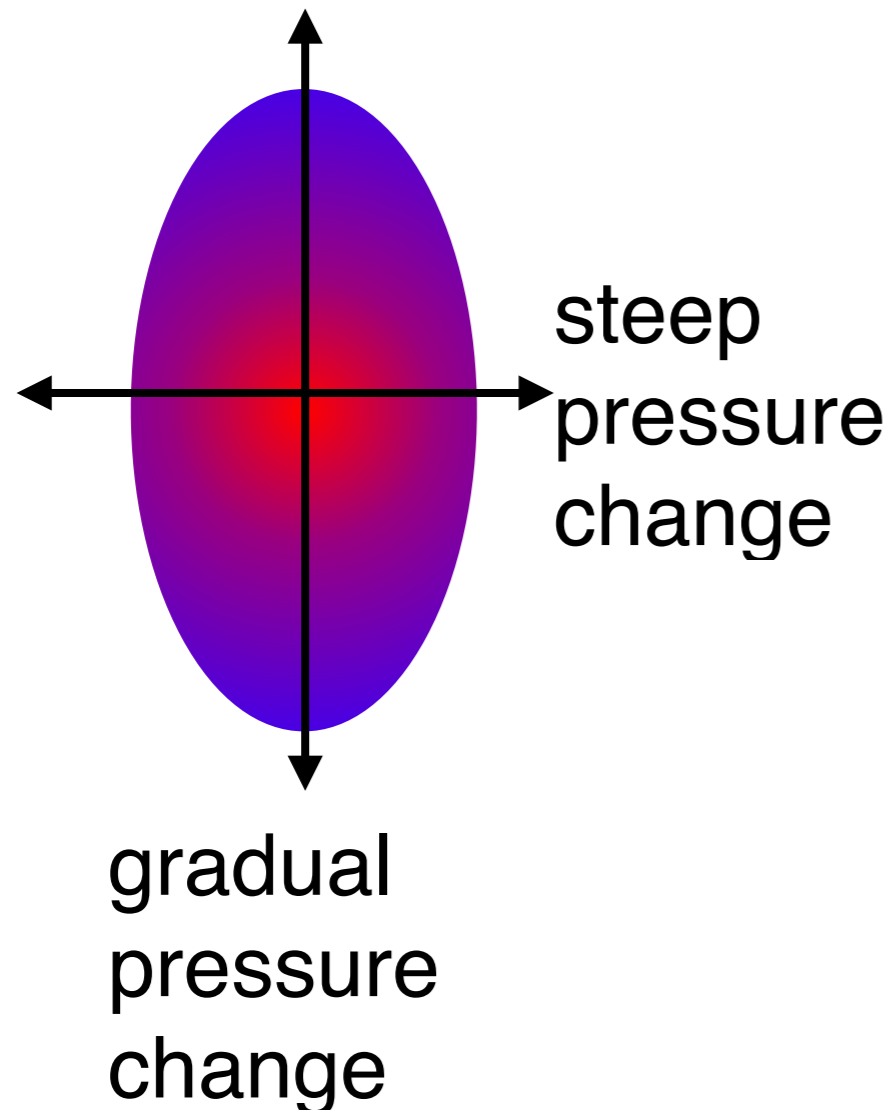
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question: how does the QGP  $\eta/s$  compare to this  
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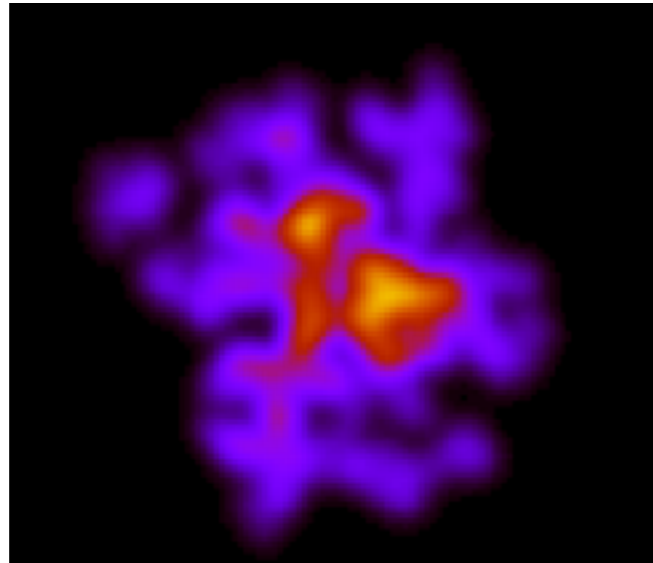


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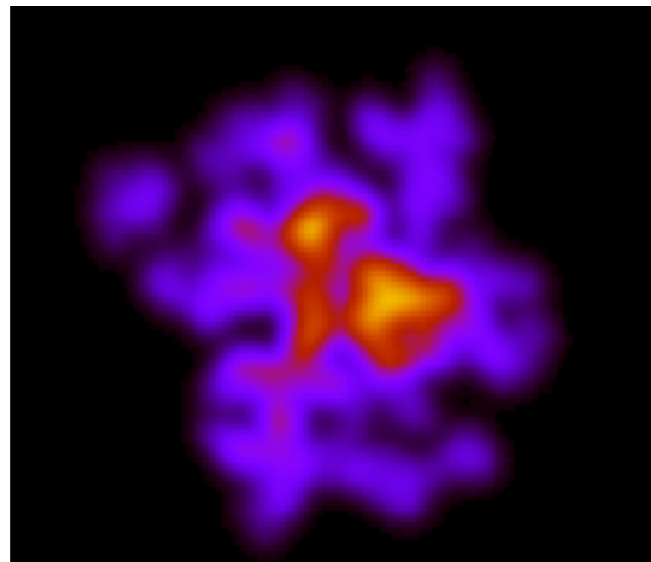
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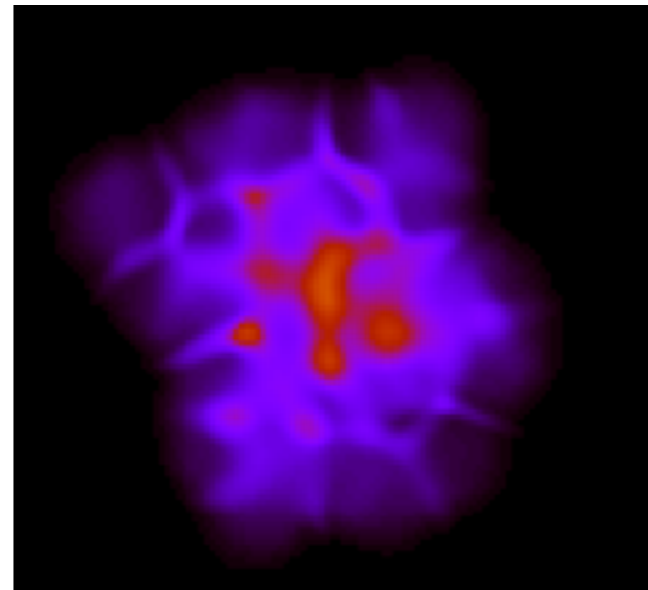
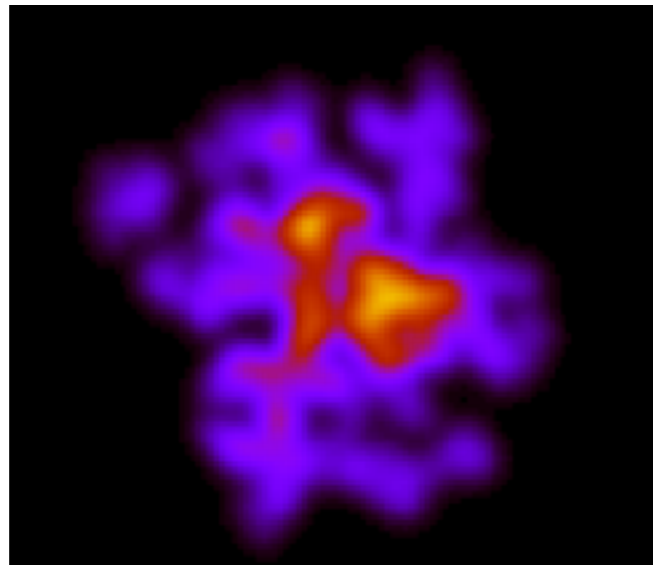
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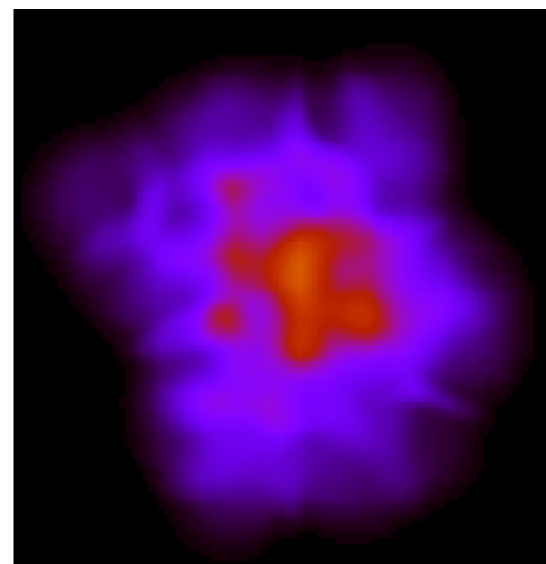
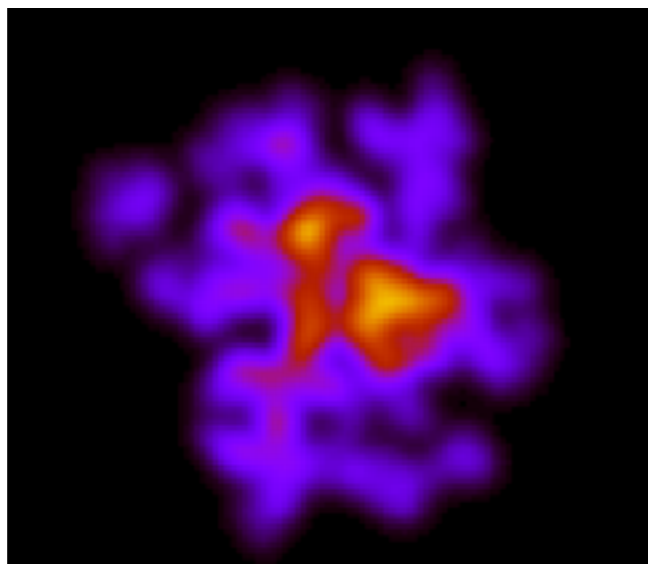


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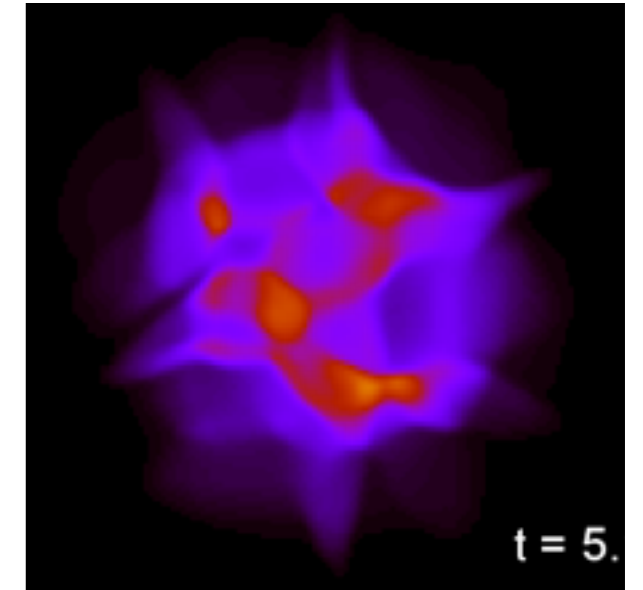
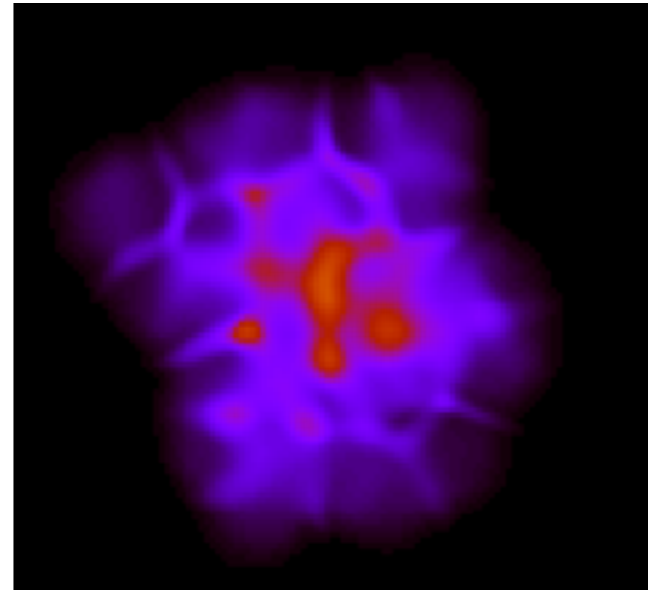
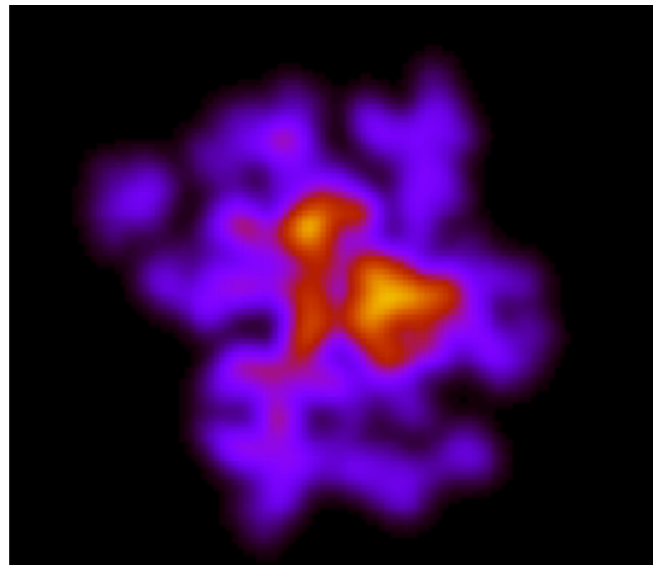
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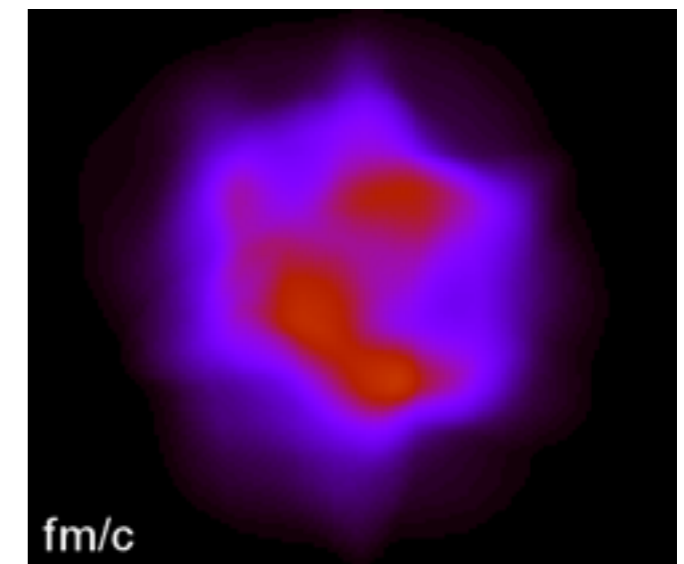
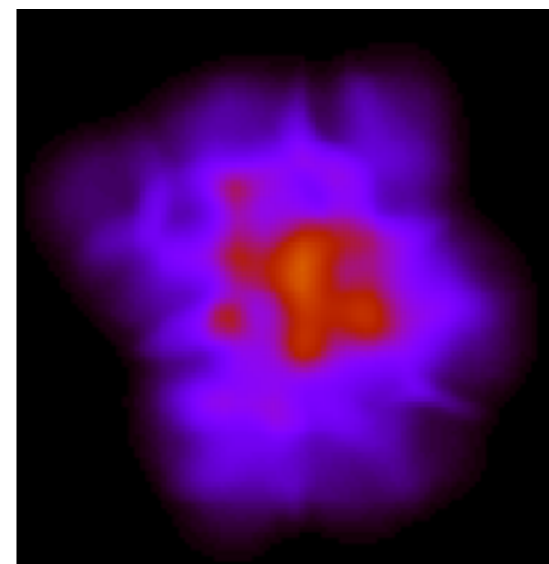
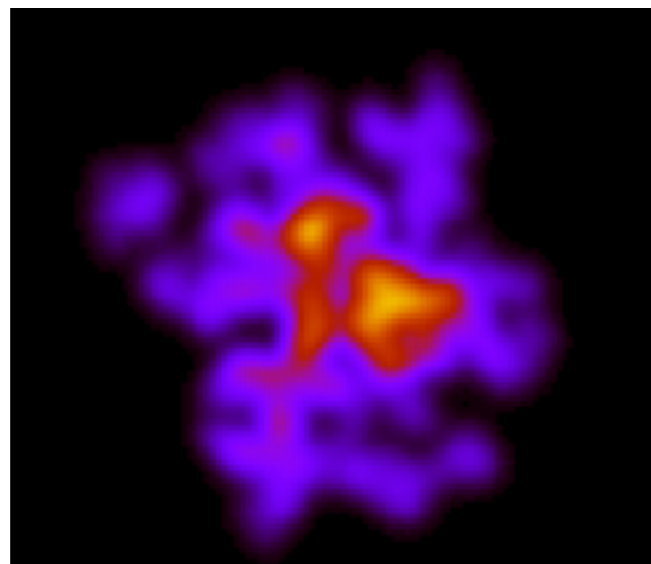


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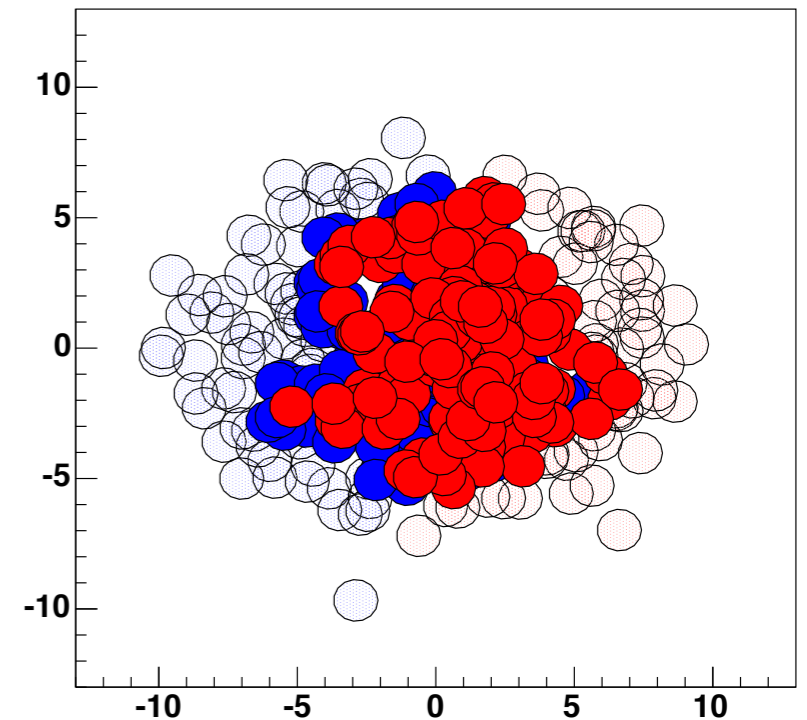
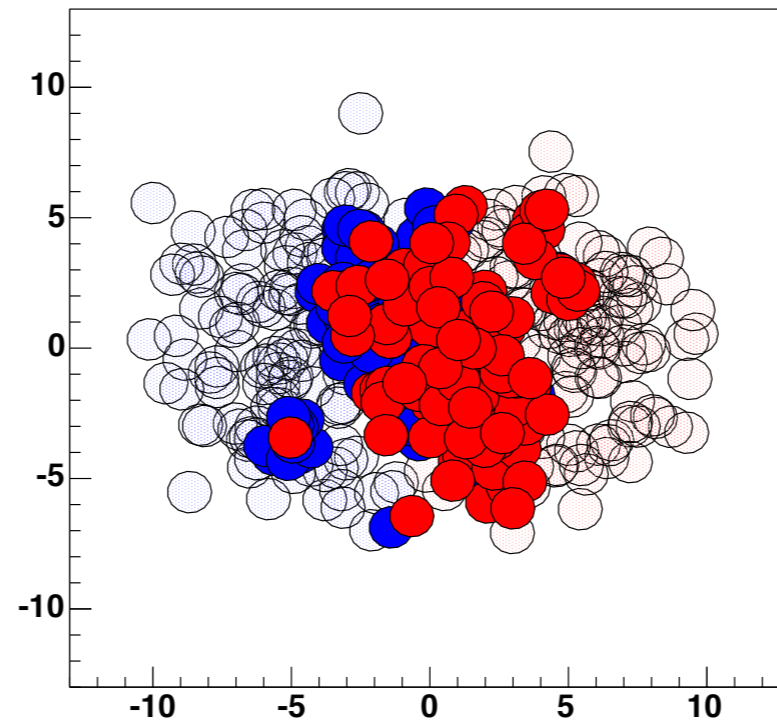
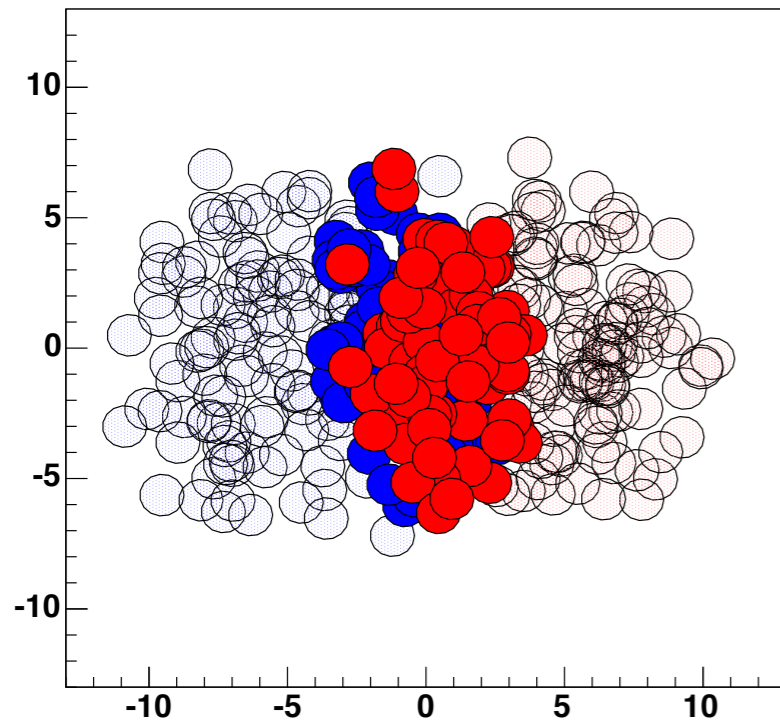
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# each event is unique

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nucleon distributions for 3 single collisions (xy-plane)

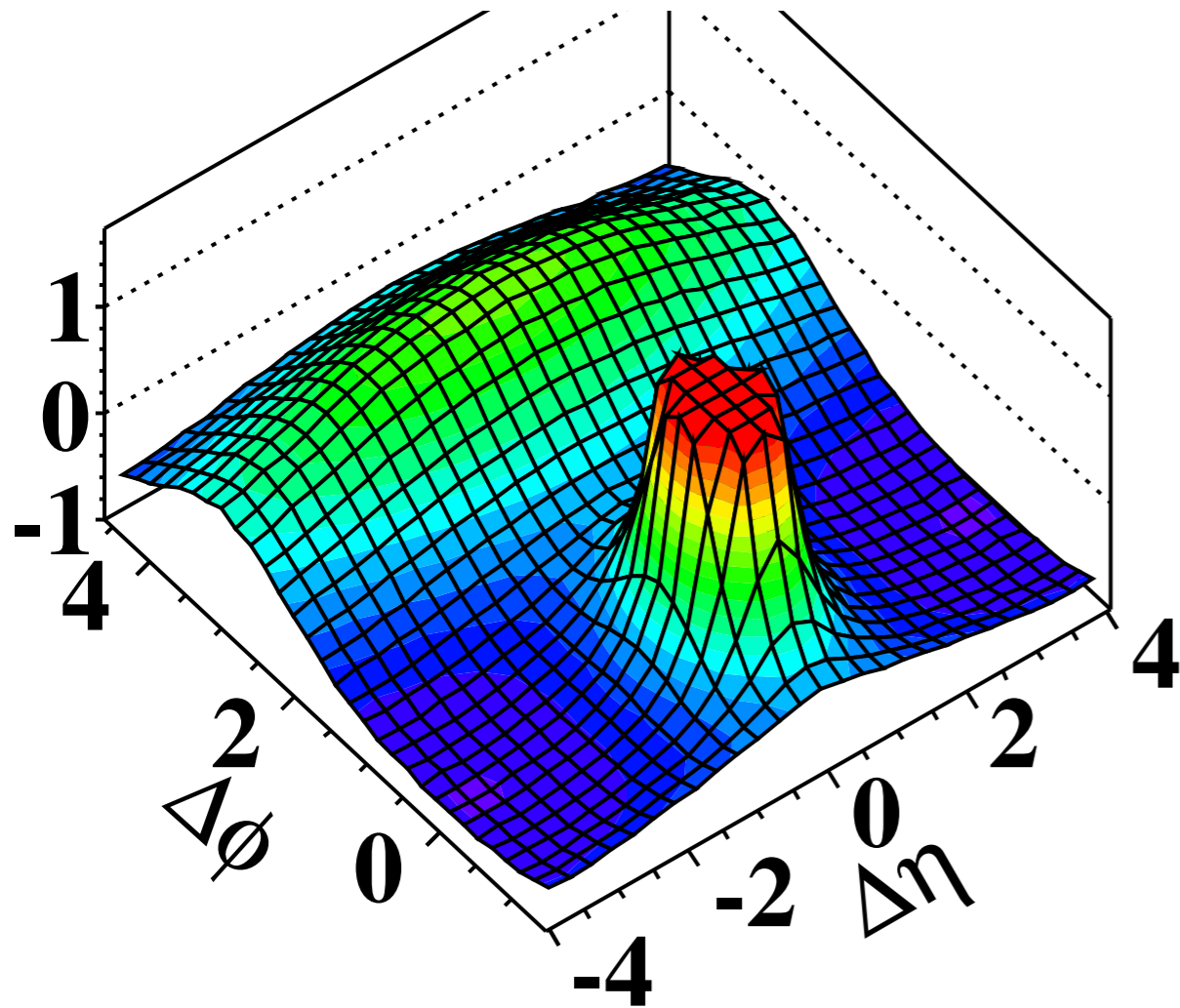
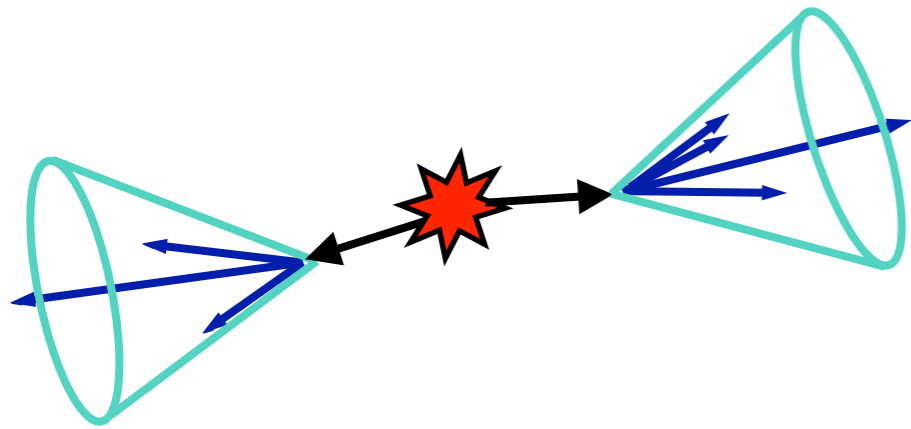


not just  $v_2$  describing  $\cos 2\Phi$ , but  $v_n$ :

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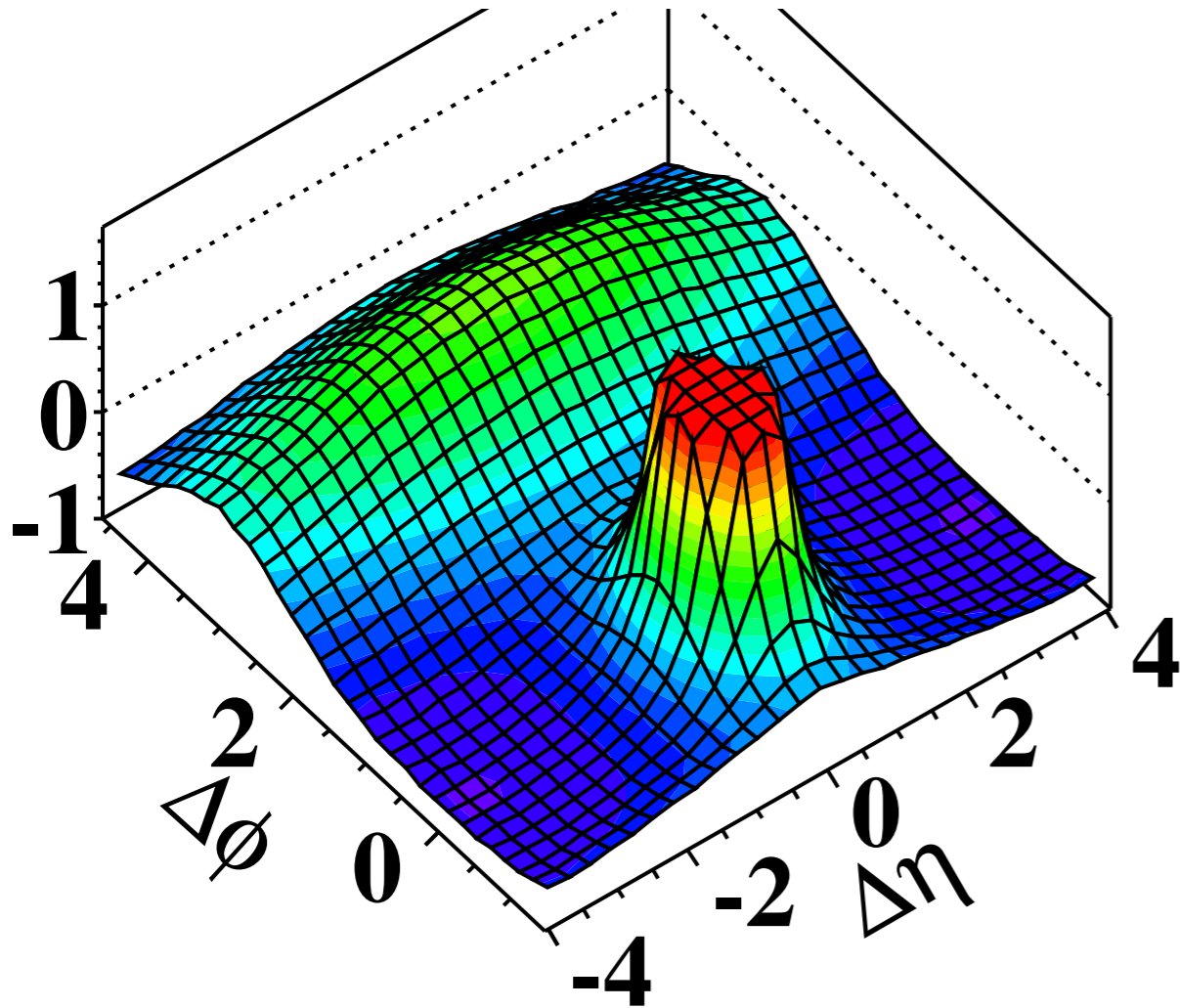
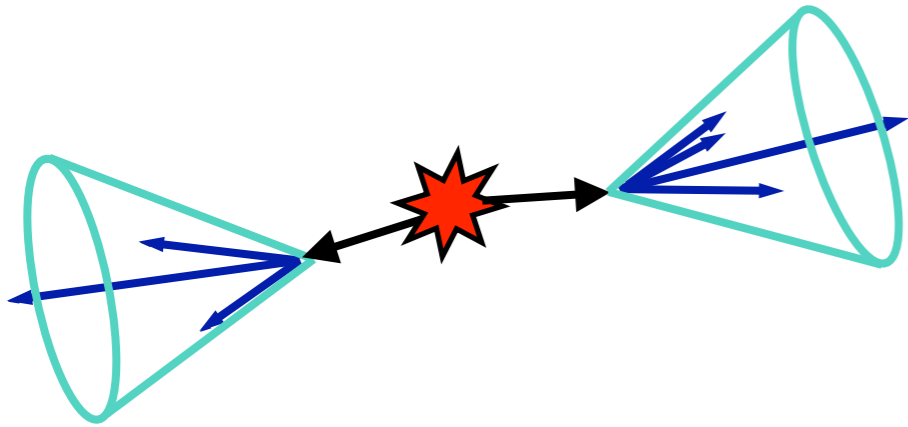
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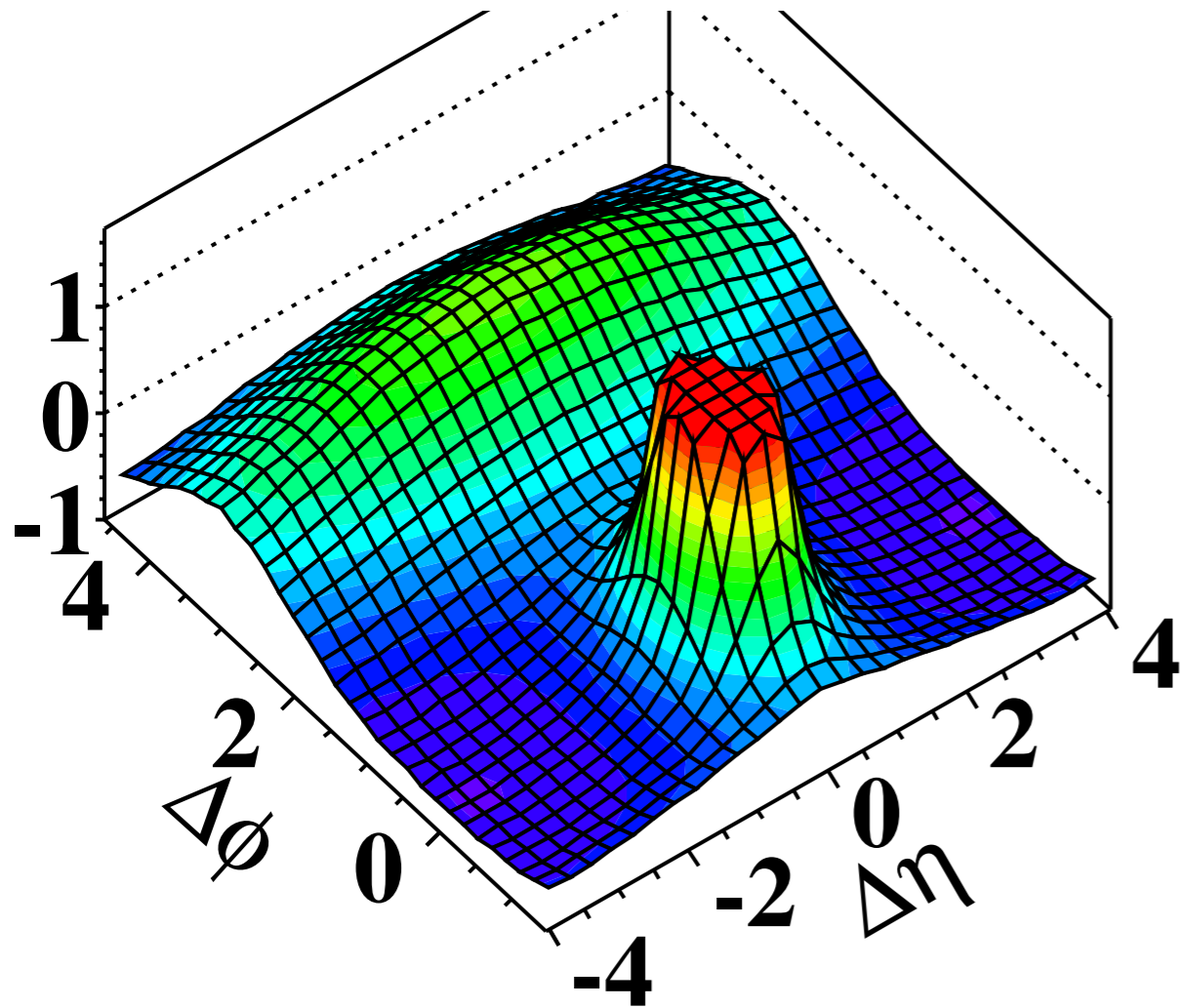
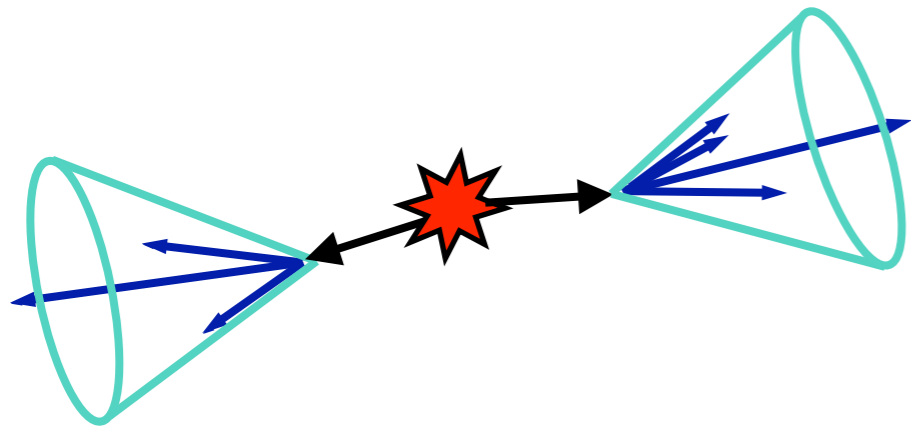
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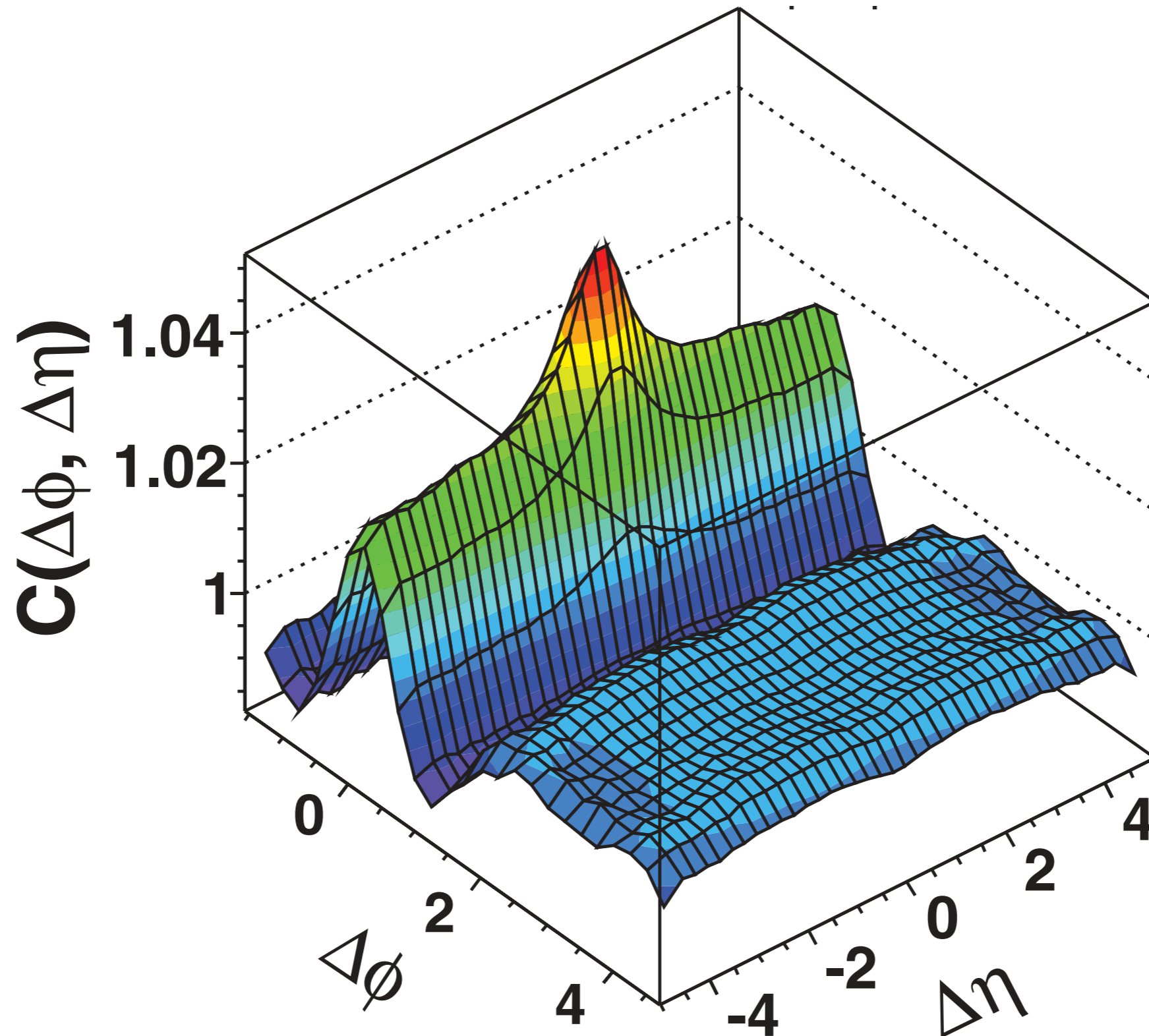
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**smoking gun:** hydrodynamic correlations are long range  $\eta$

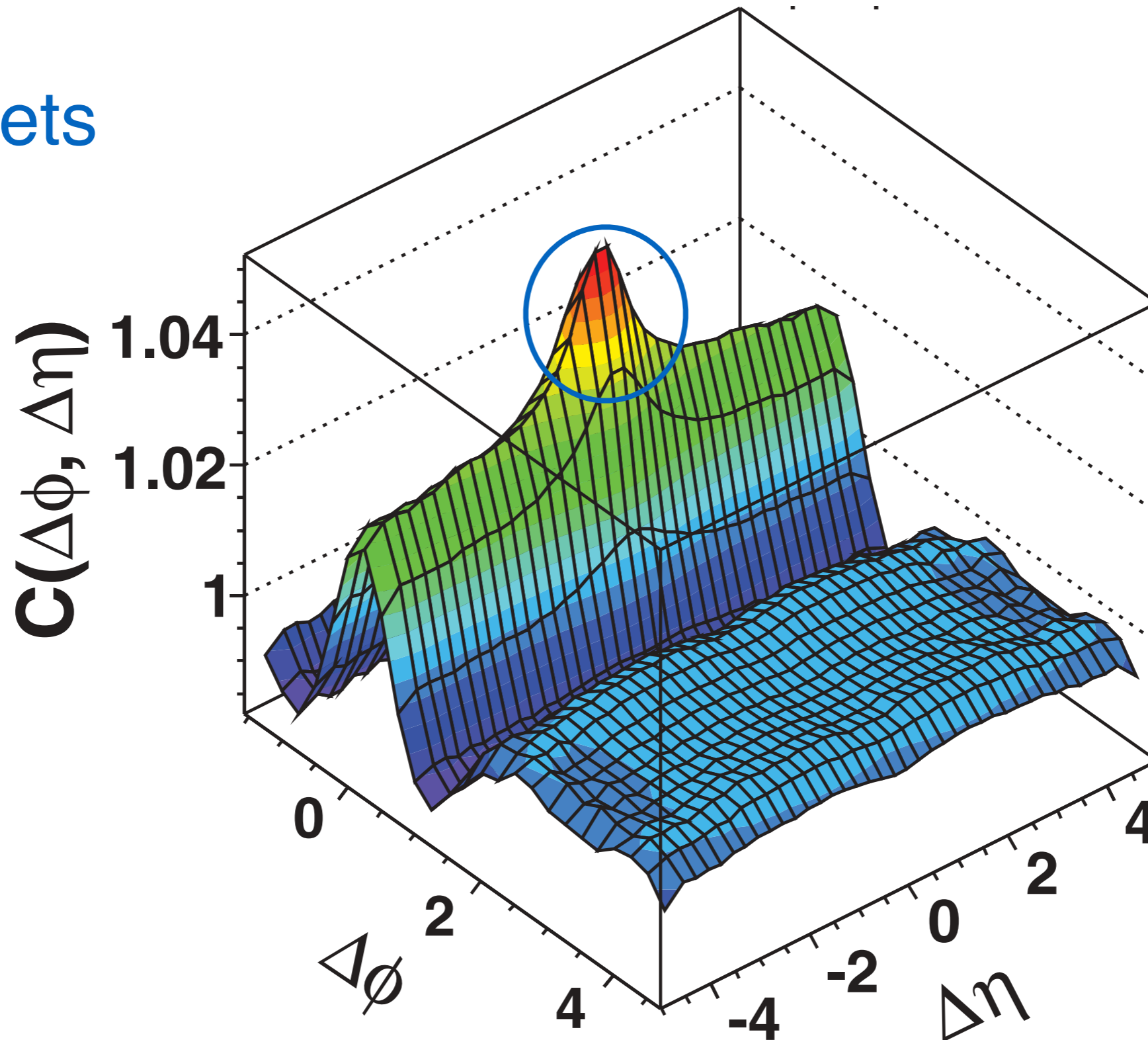
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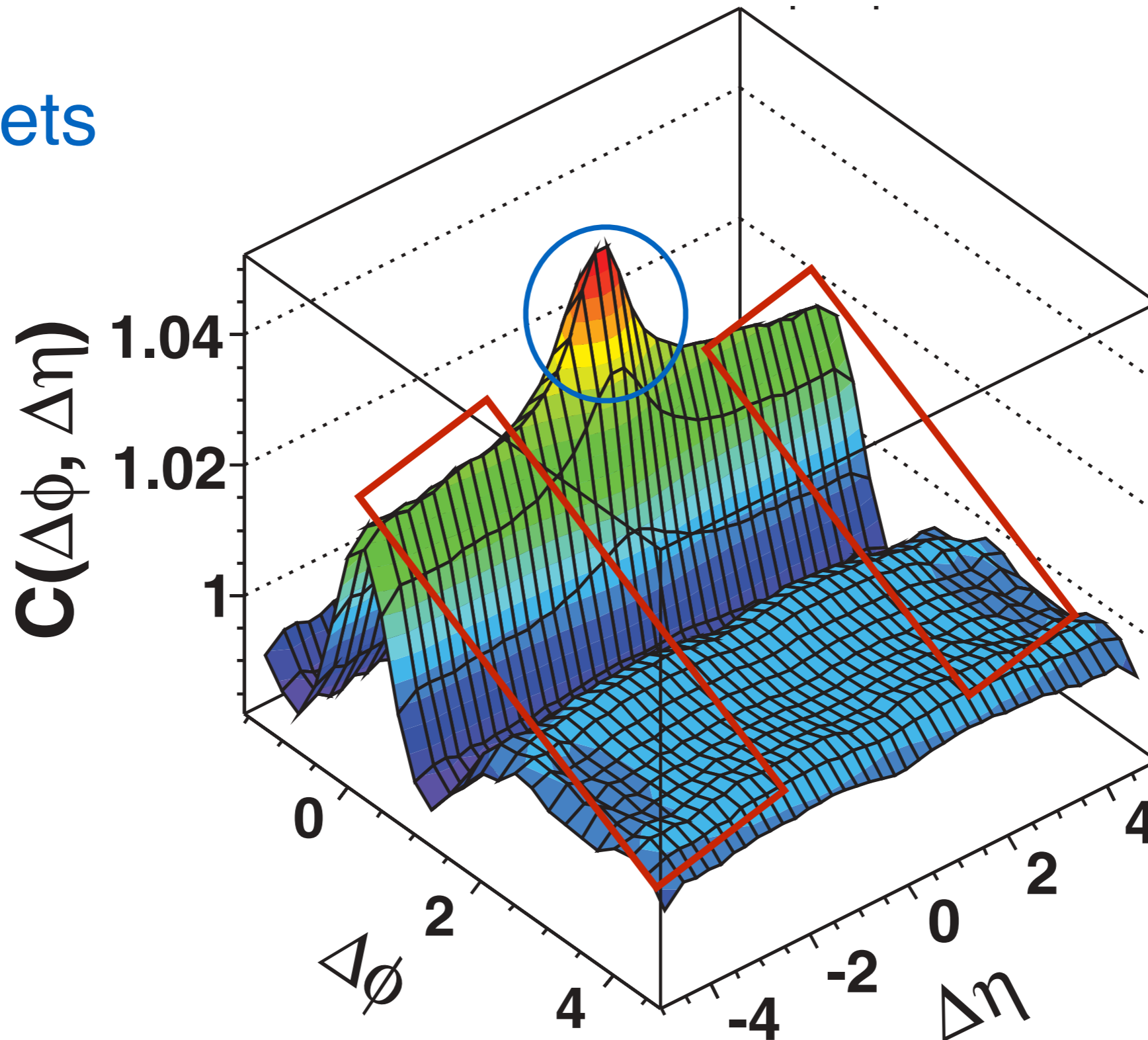
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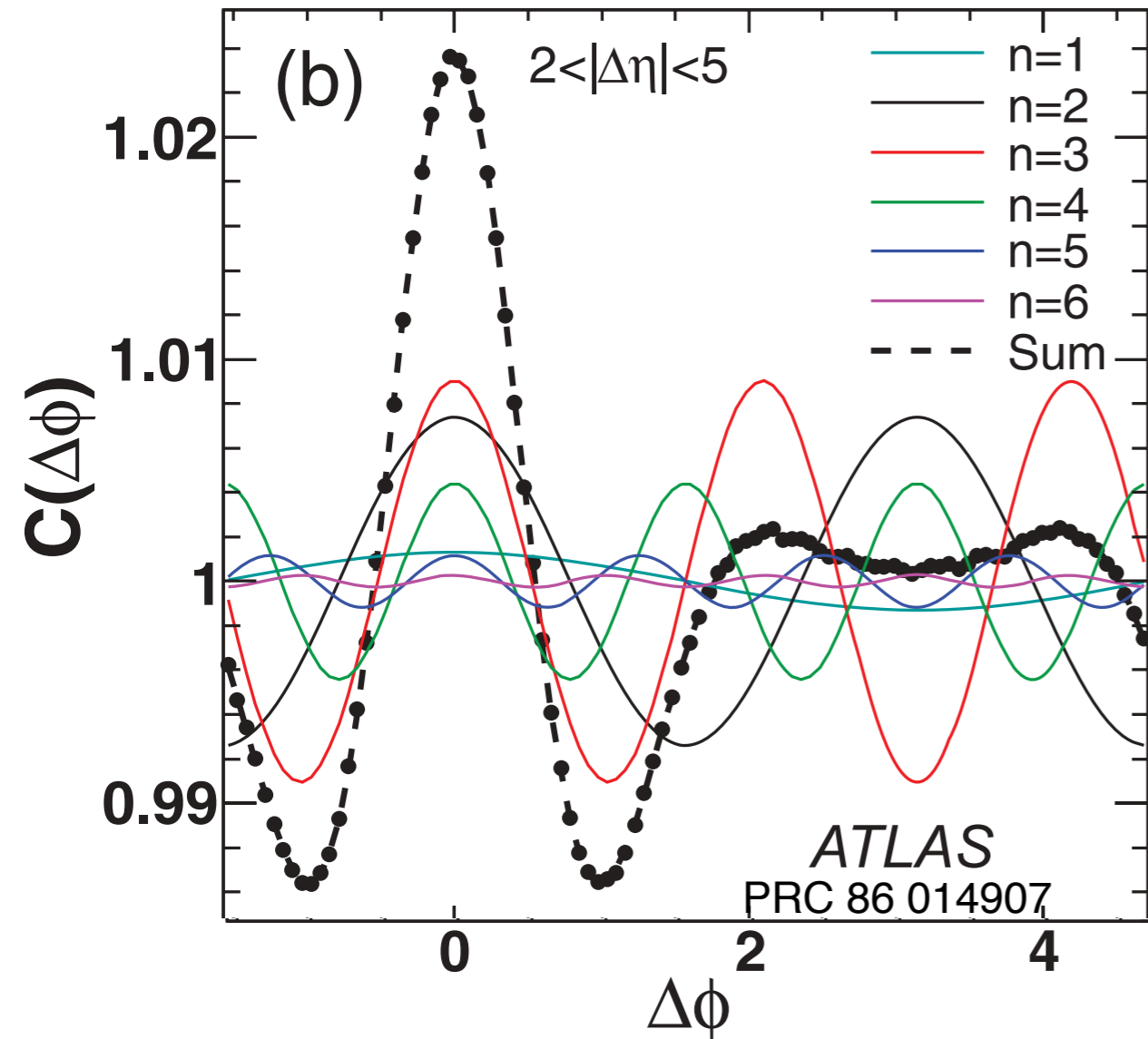
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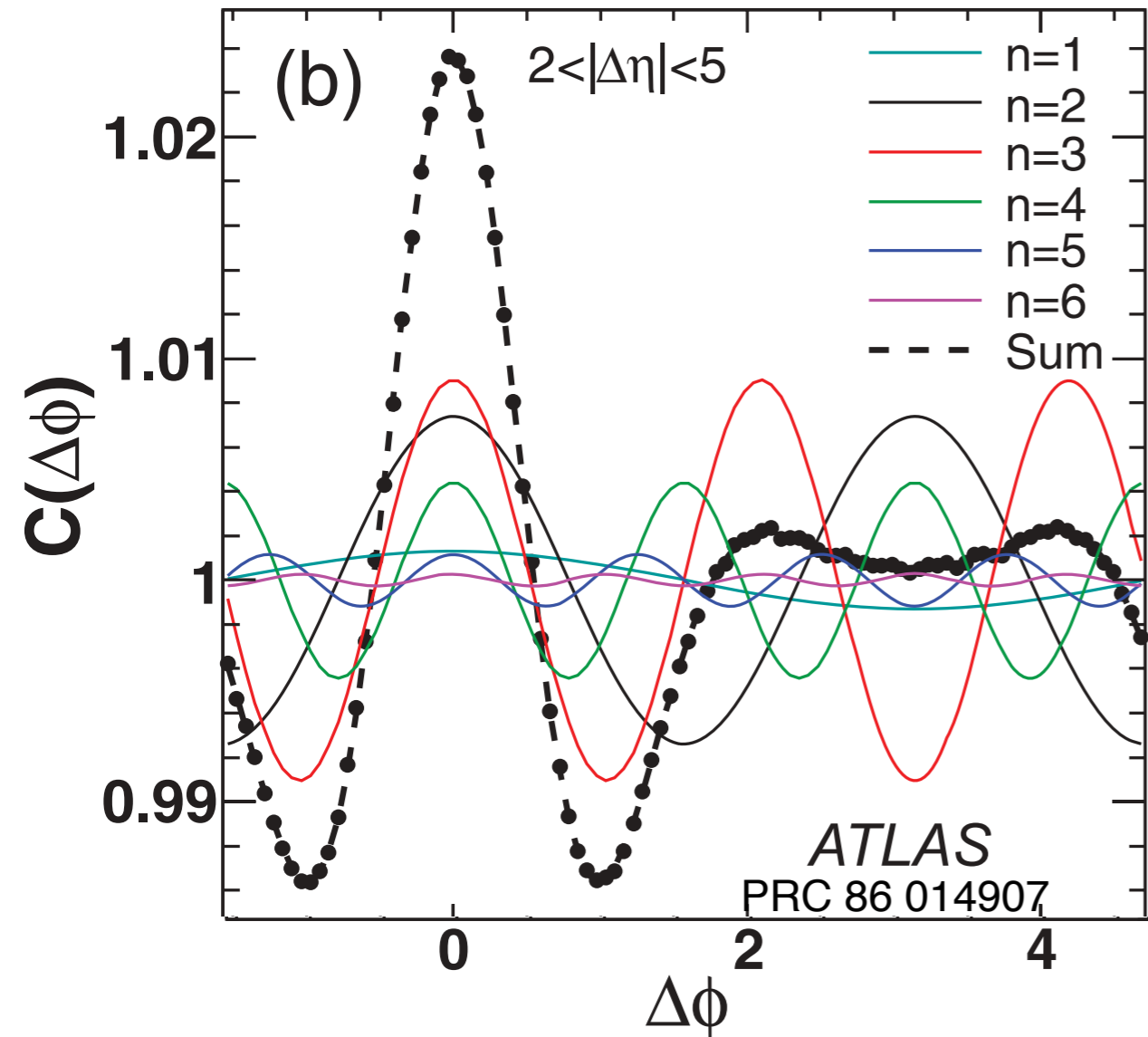
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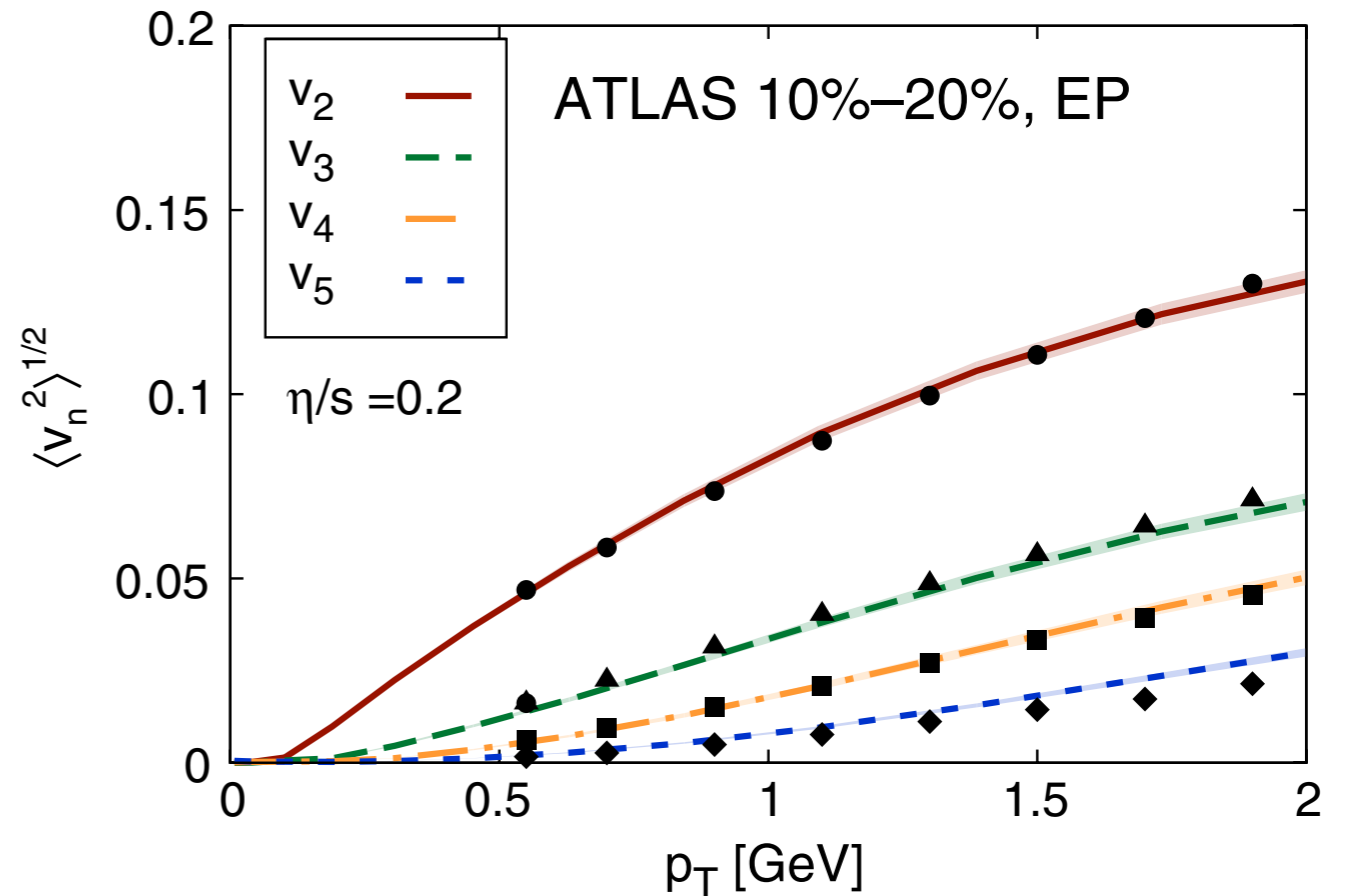


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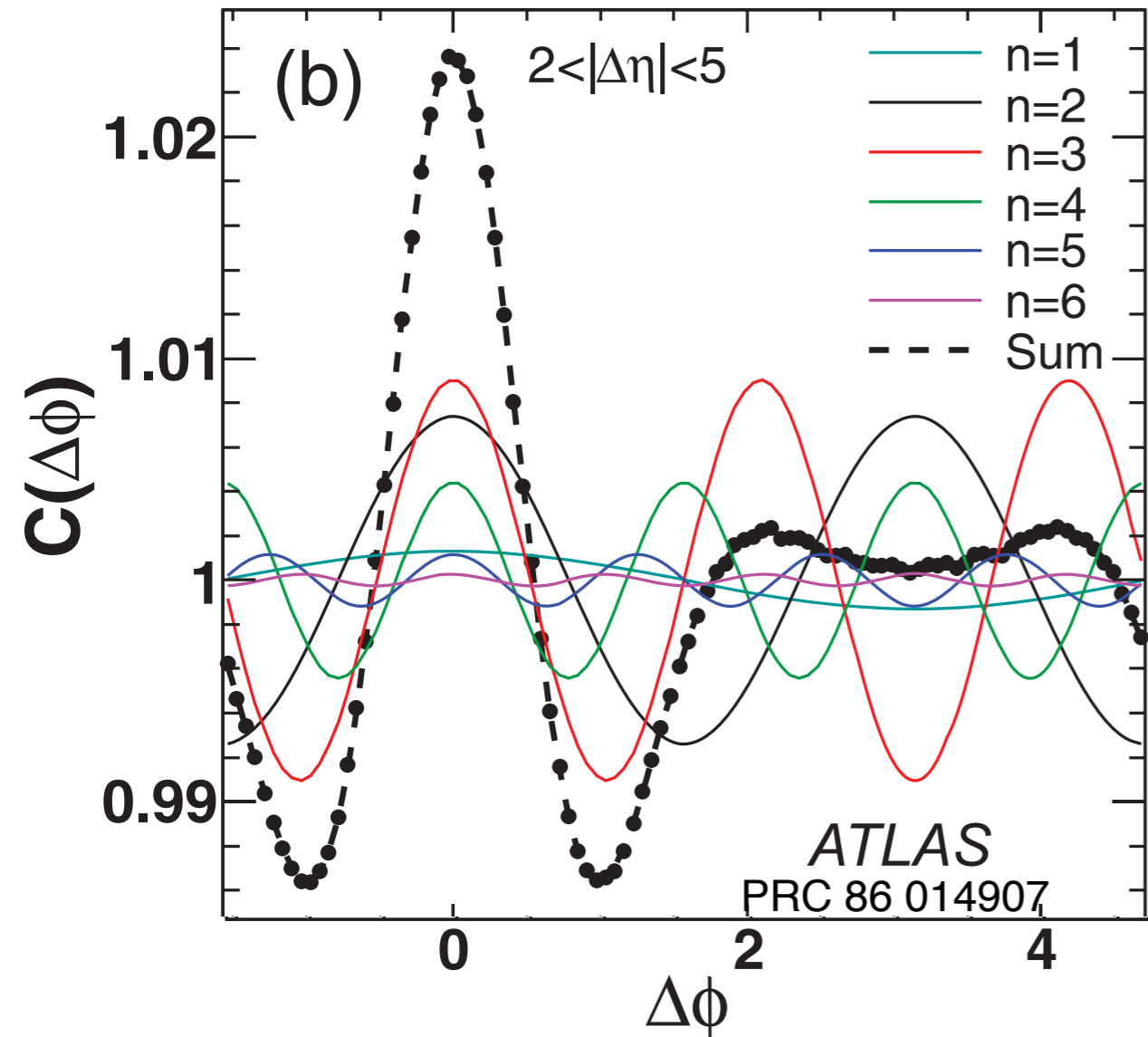
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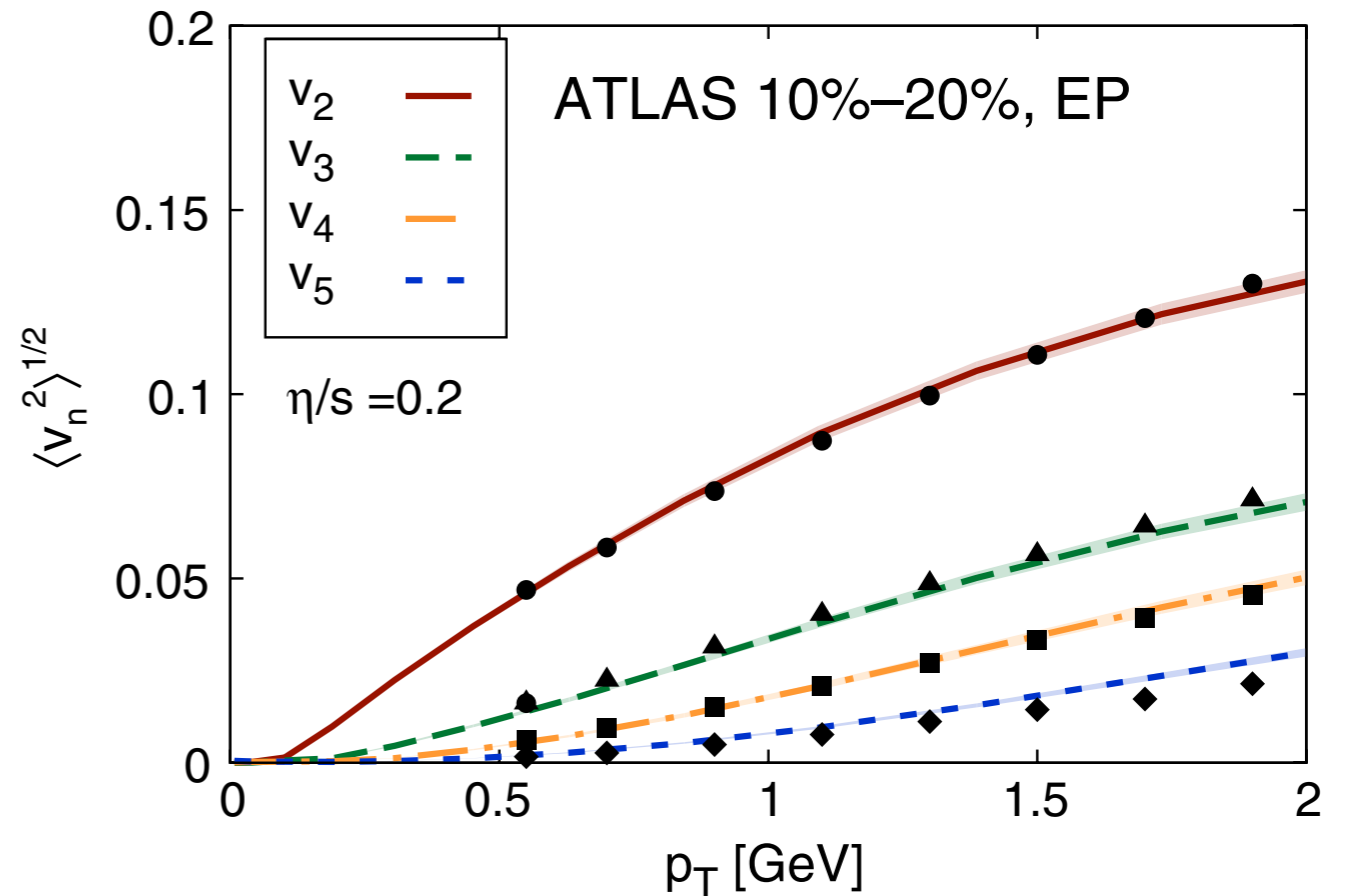
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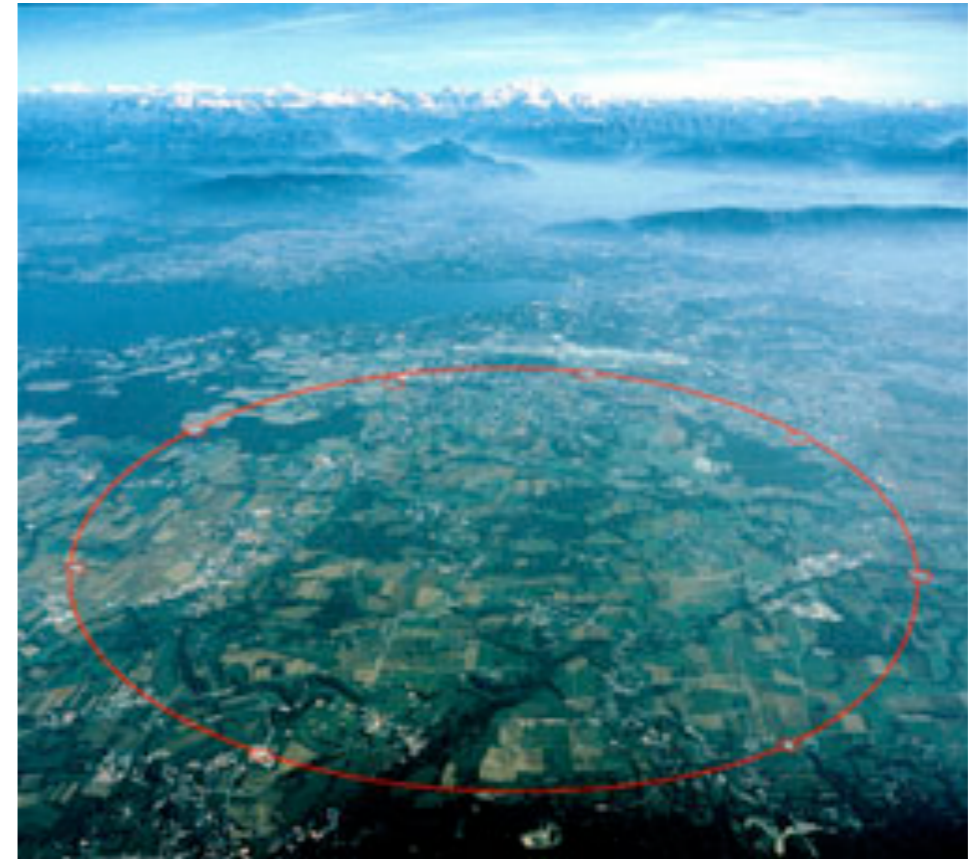
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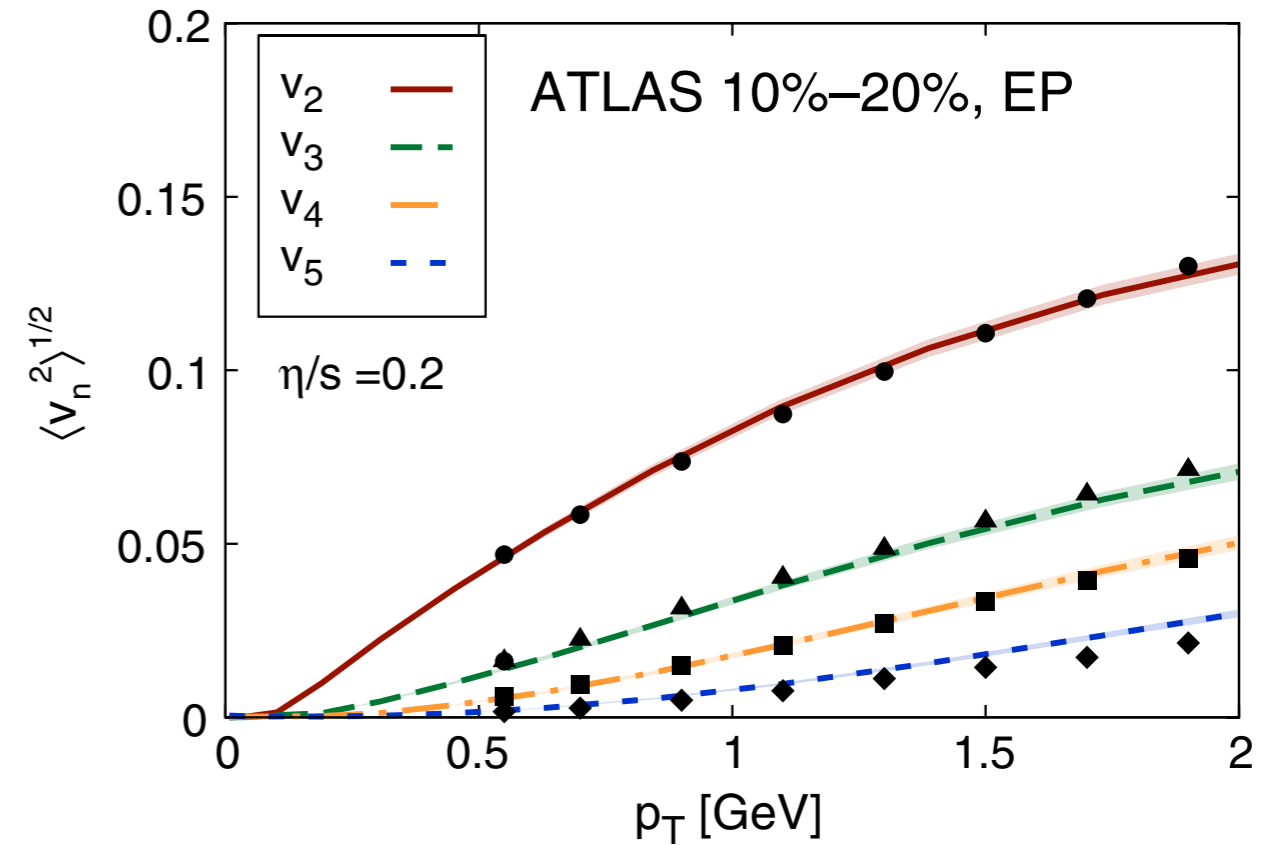
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question: how does  $\eta/s$  change with temperature?

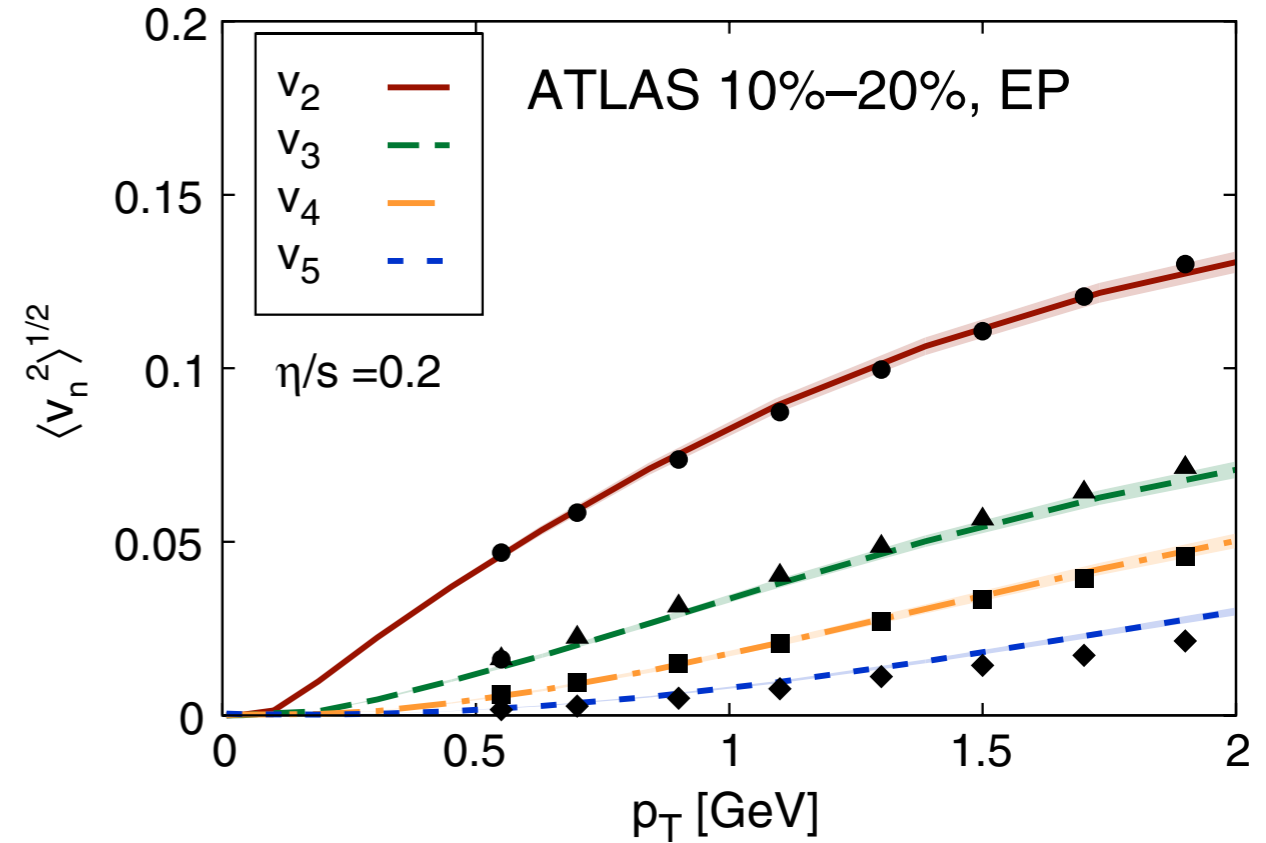
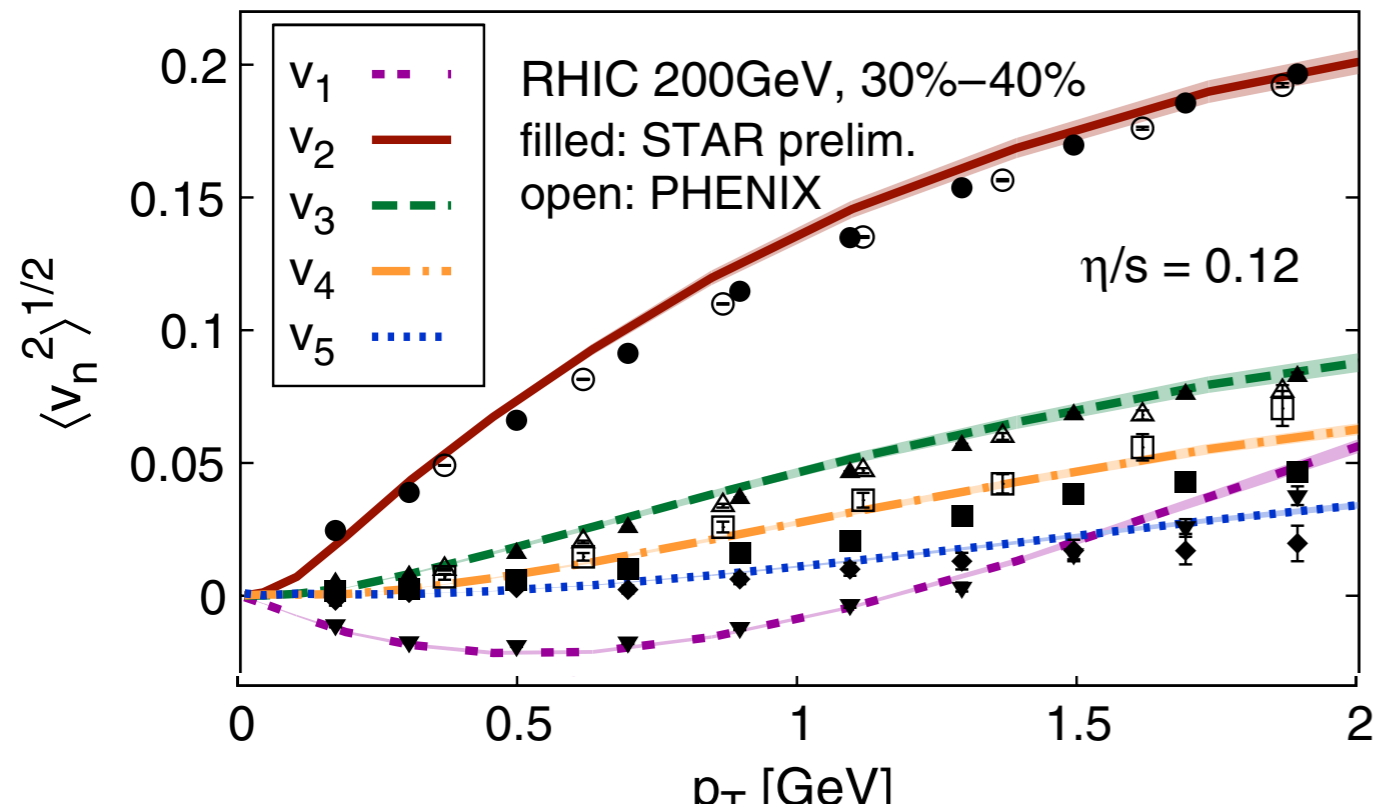
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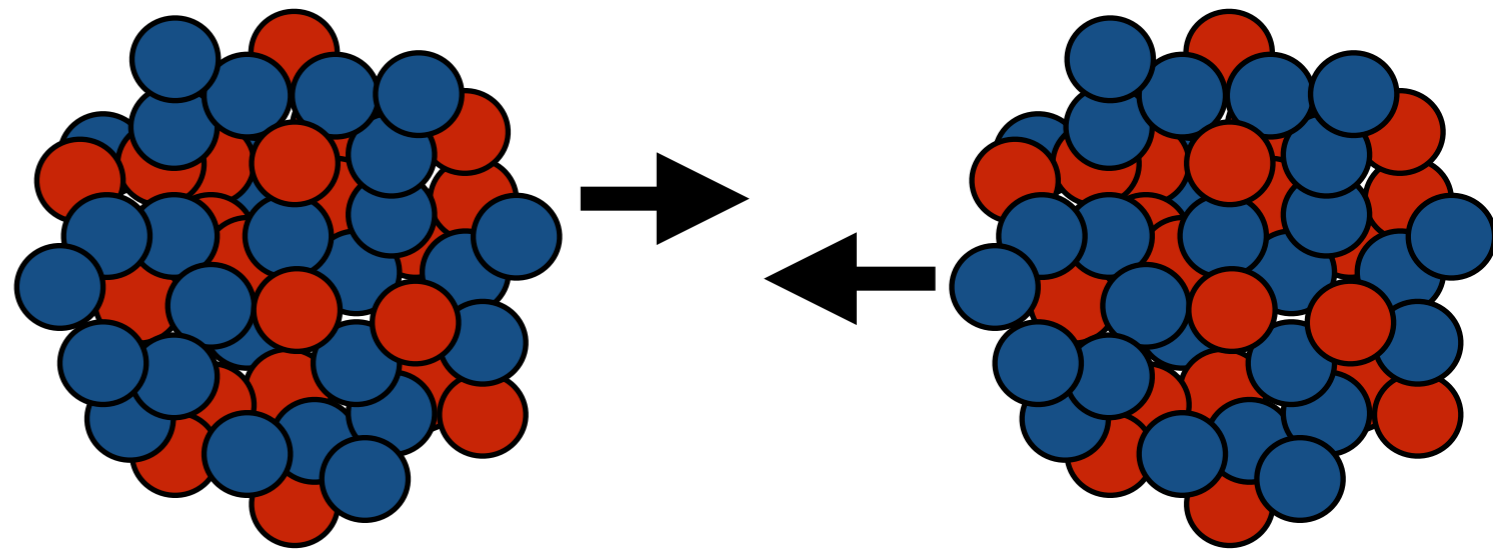
RHIC:  $\eta/s = 1.5 / 4\pi$

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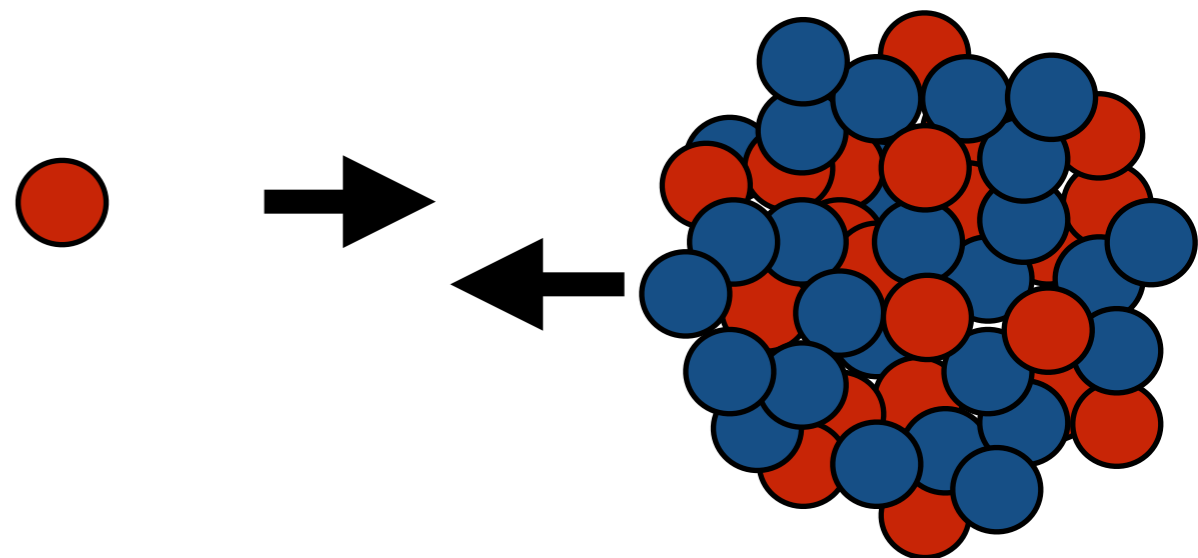
# outline

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collide heavy nuclei:  
create & study hot  
deconfined QCD: the  
quark gluon plasma



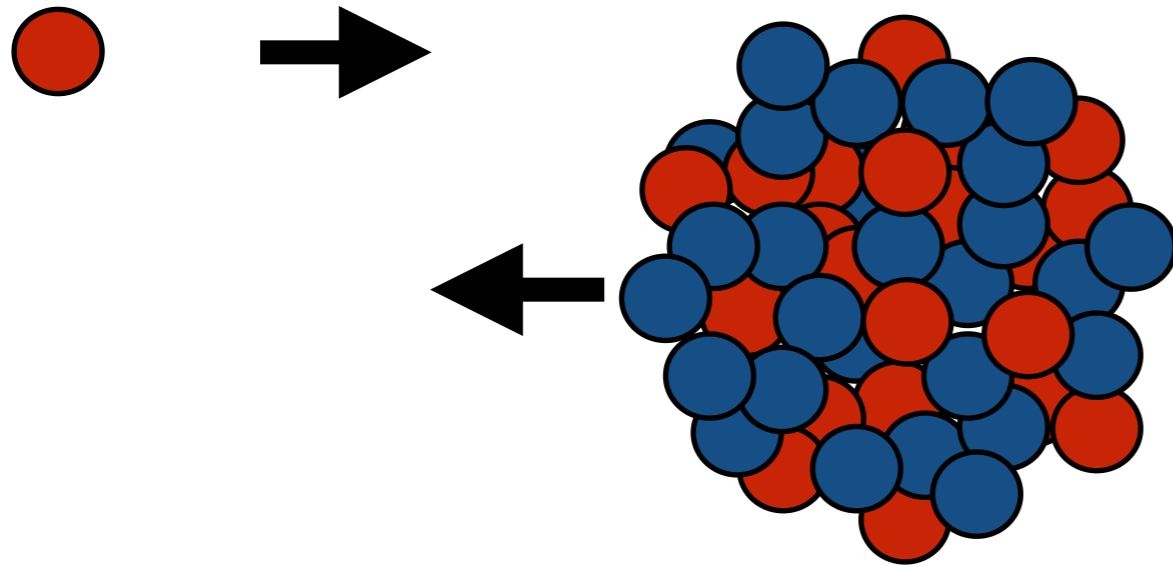
highly asymmetric  
collisions:  
turn off the plasma,  
study the nucleus



or maybe not...

# p-A collisions

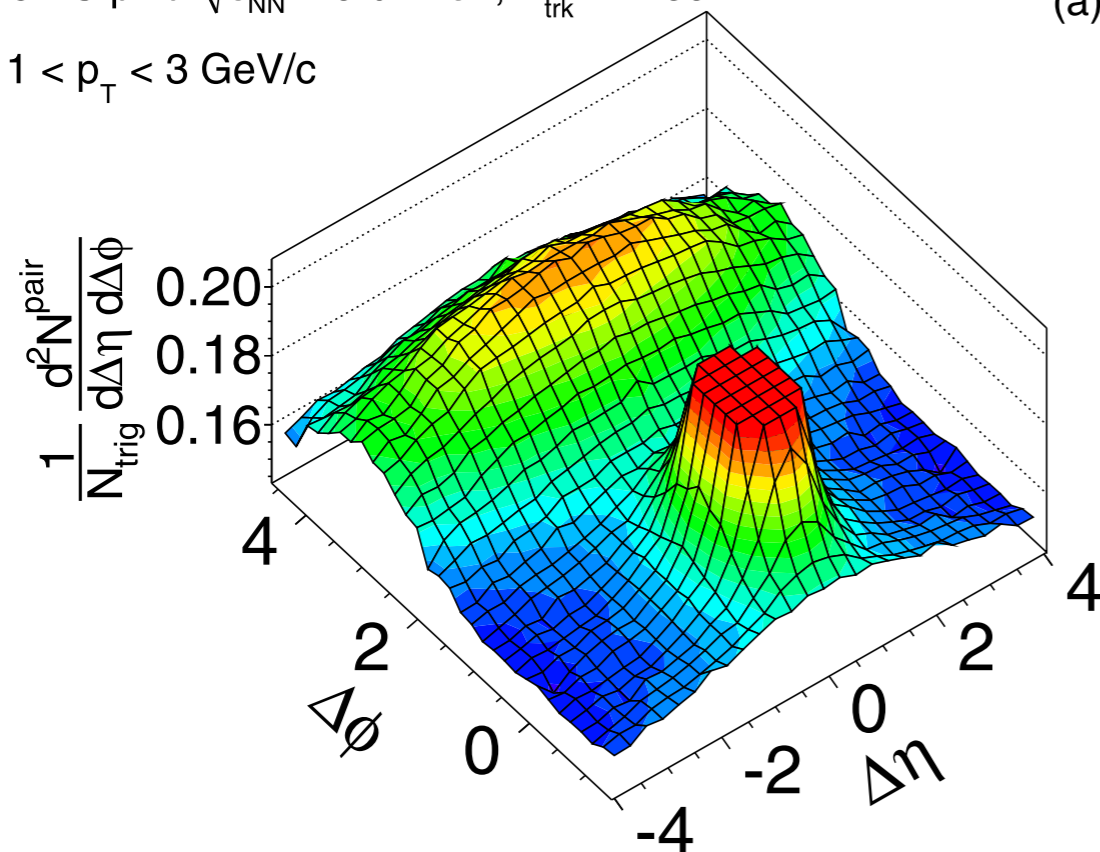
peripheral collisions



CMS pPb  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$  TeV,  $N_{\text{trk}}^{\text{offline}} < 35$

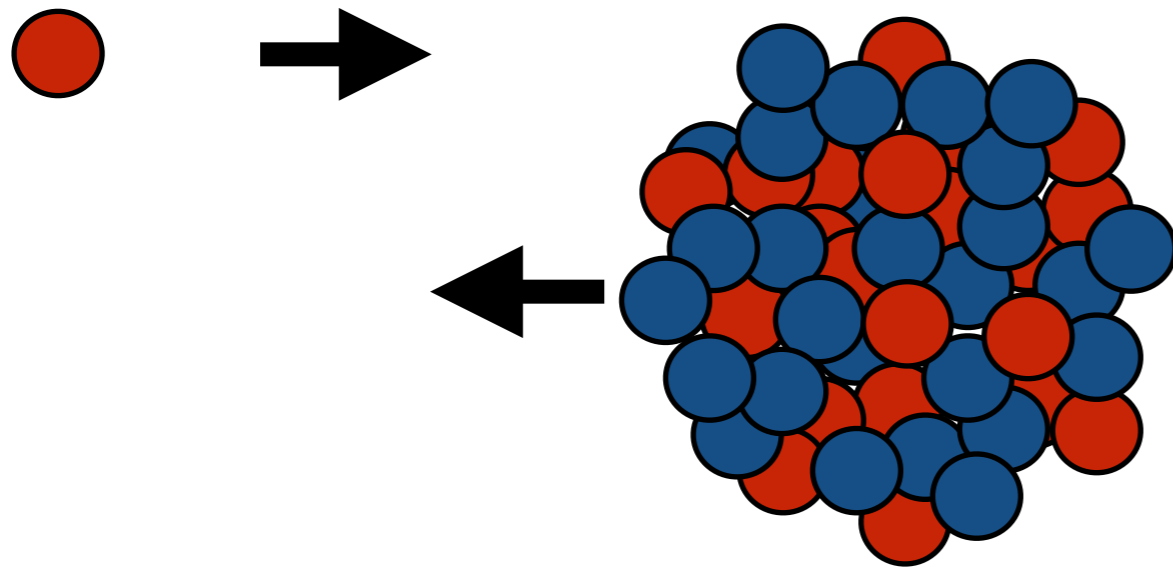
$1 < p_T < 3$  GeV/c

(a)

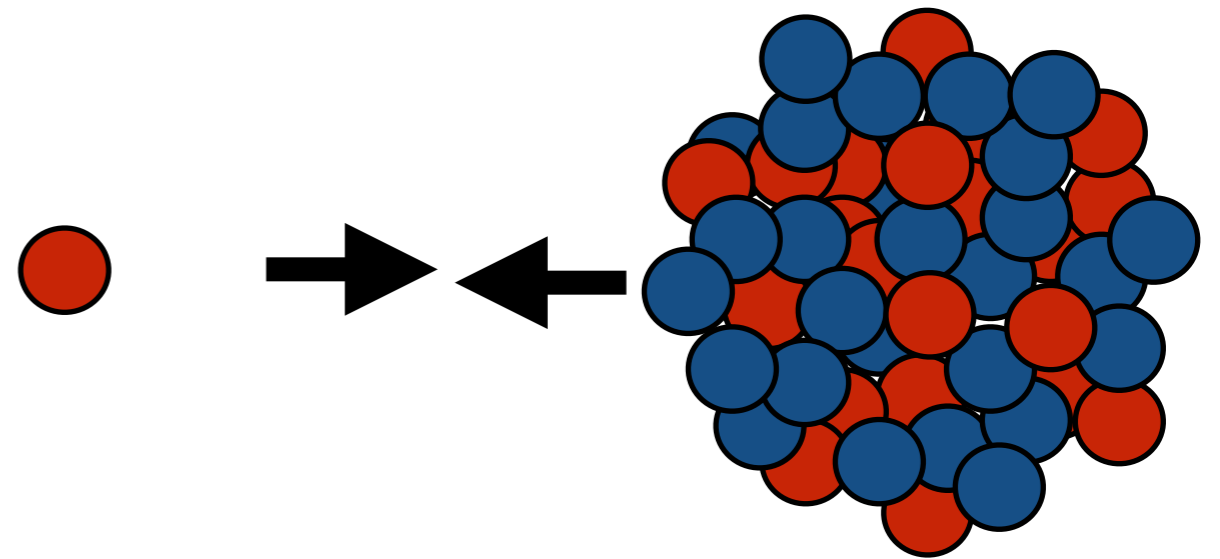


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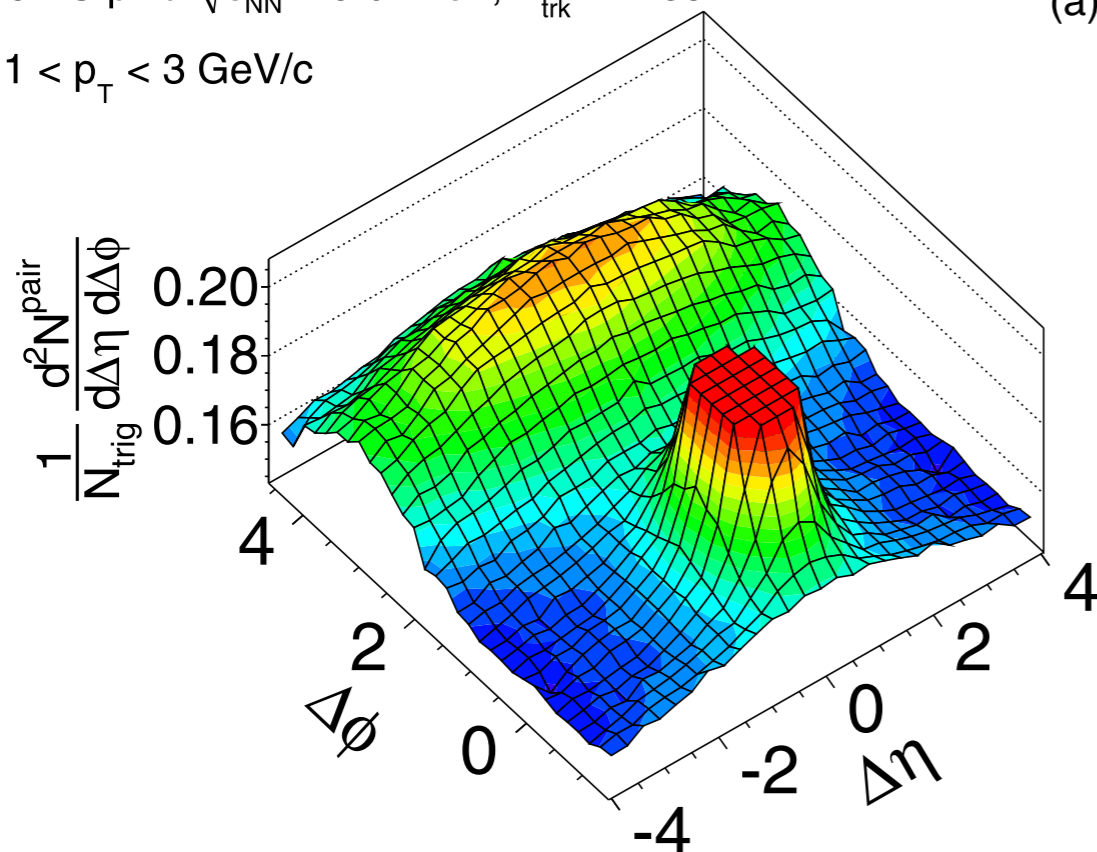
central collisions



CMS pPb  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$  TeV,  $N_{trk}^{offline} < 35$

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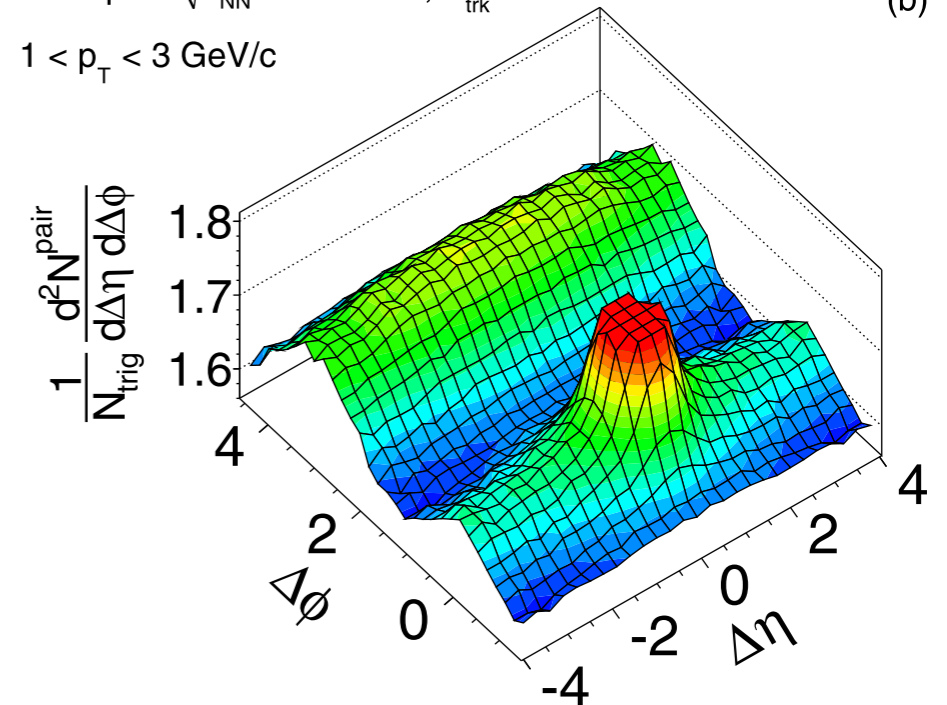
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CMS pPb  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$  TeV,  $N_{trk}^{offline} \geq 110$

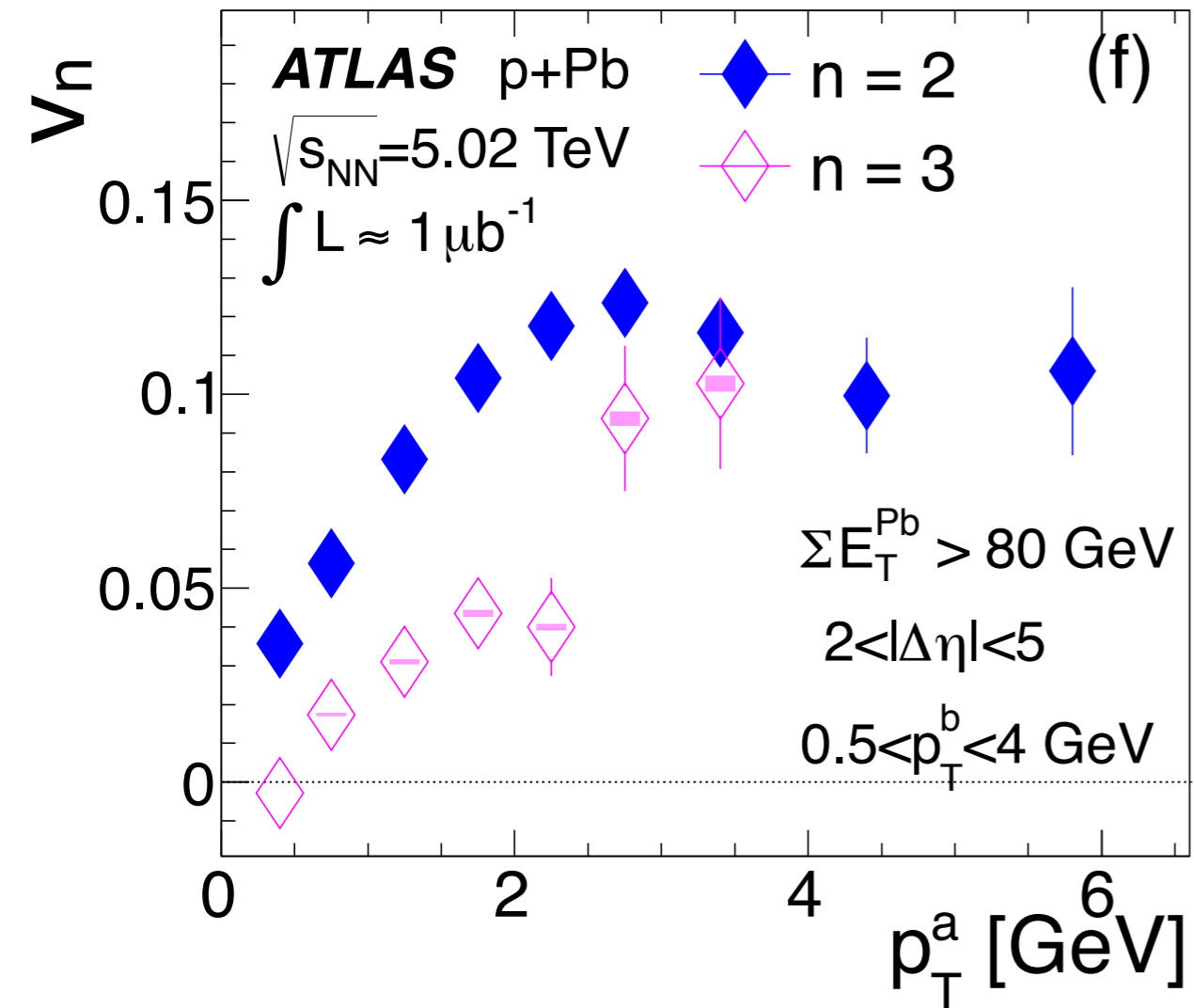
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(b)



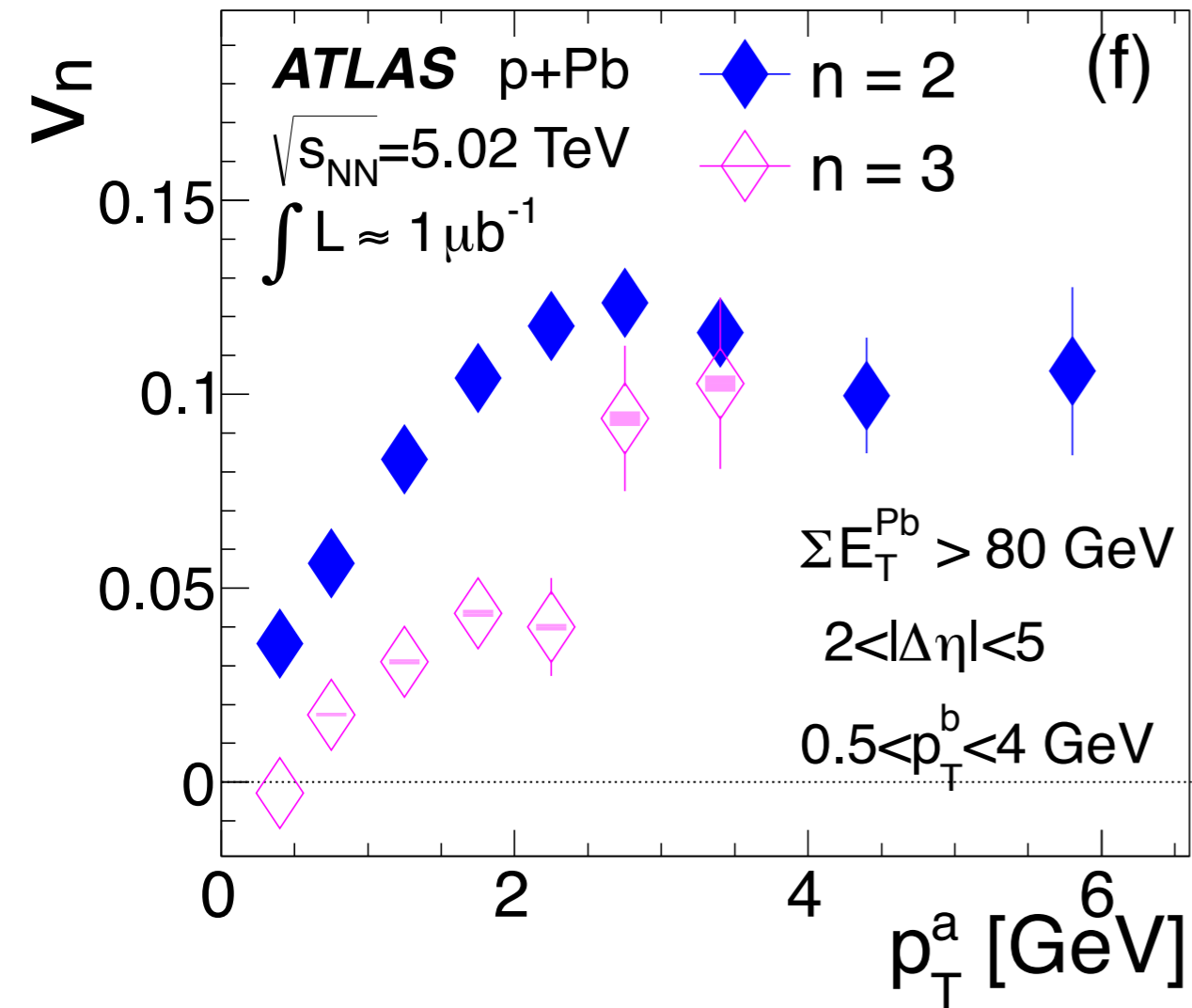
# $v_2$ & $v_3$ in pPb collisions

pPb

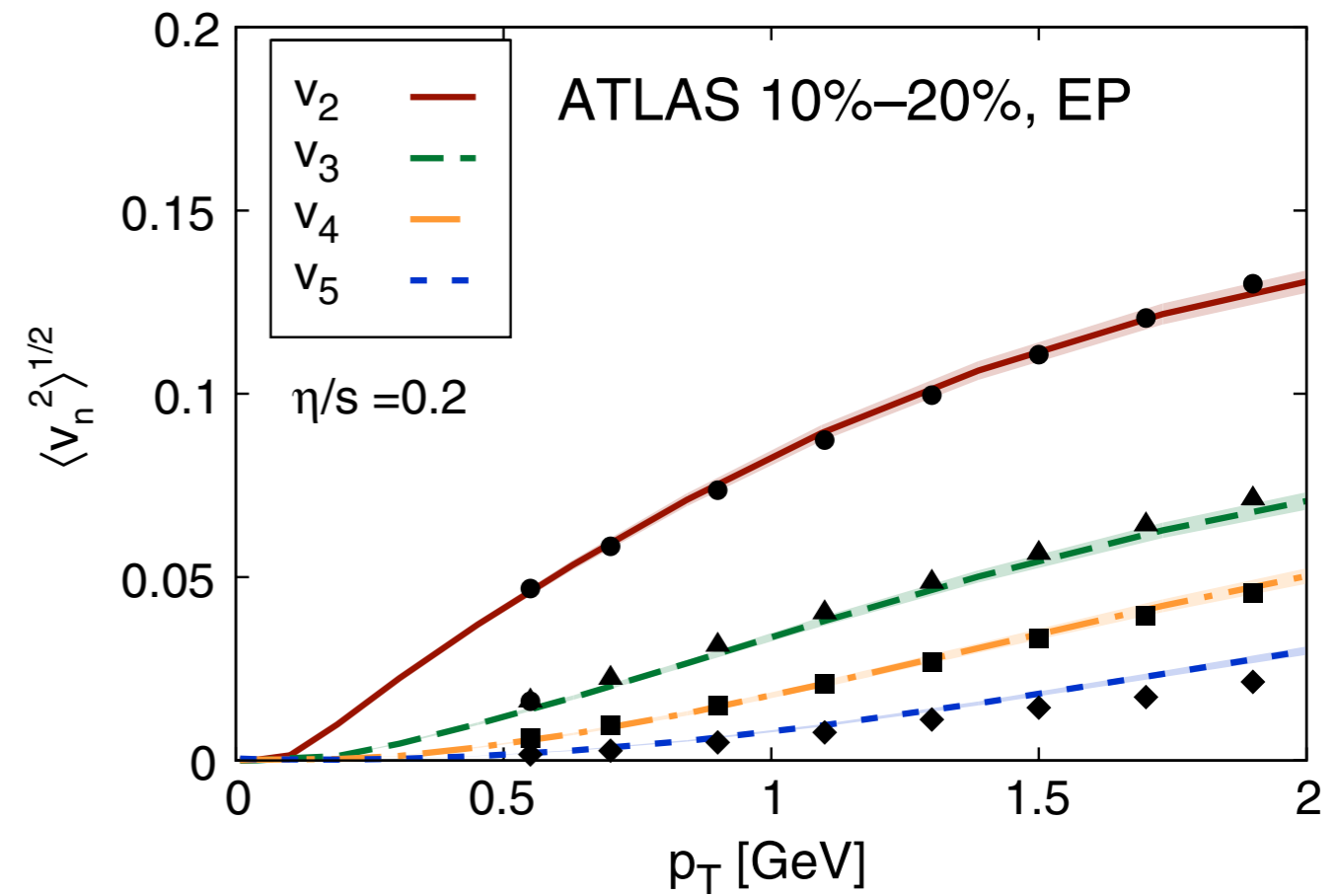


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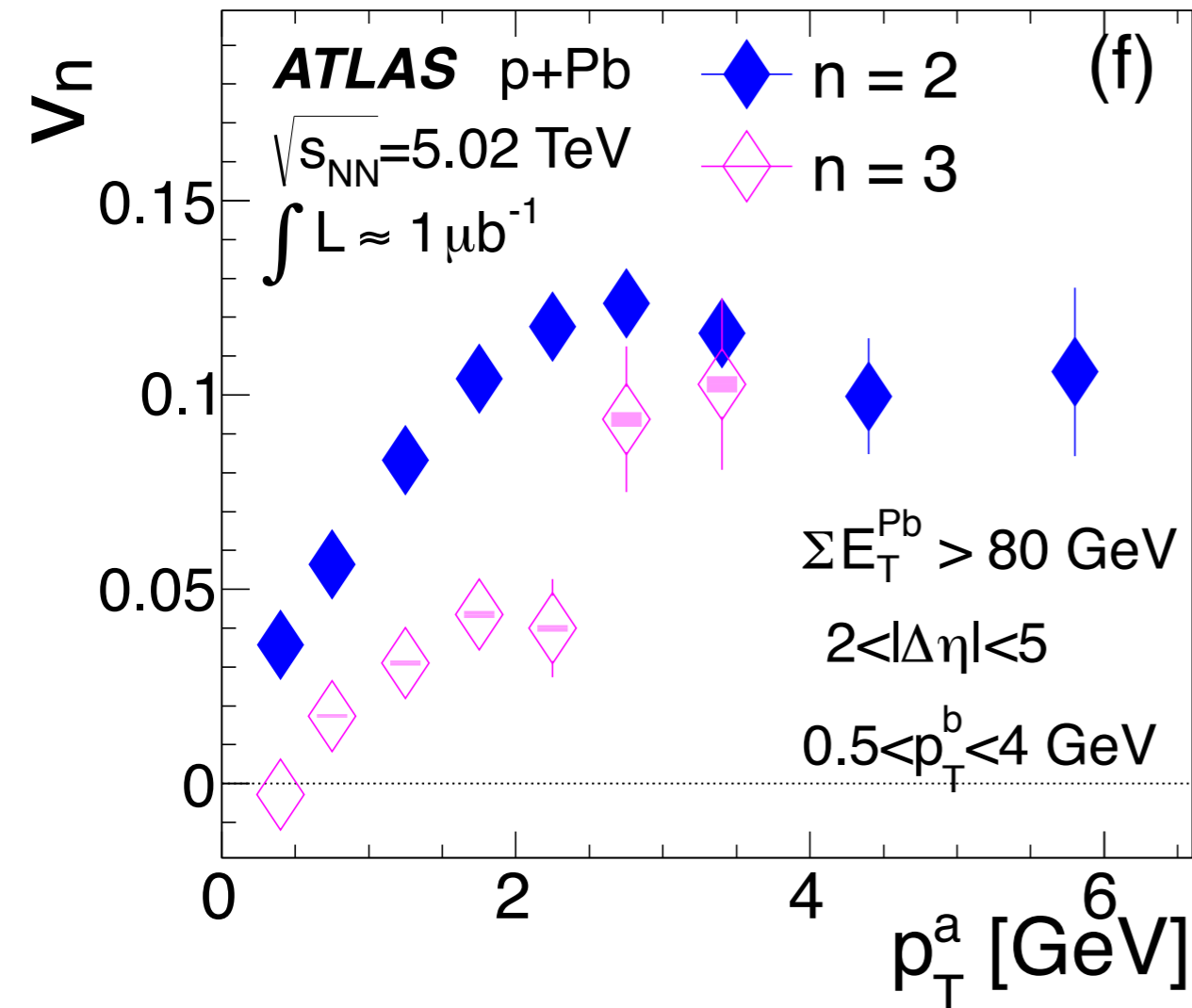


## PbPb

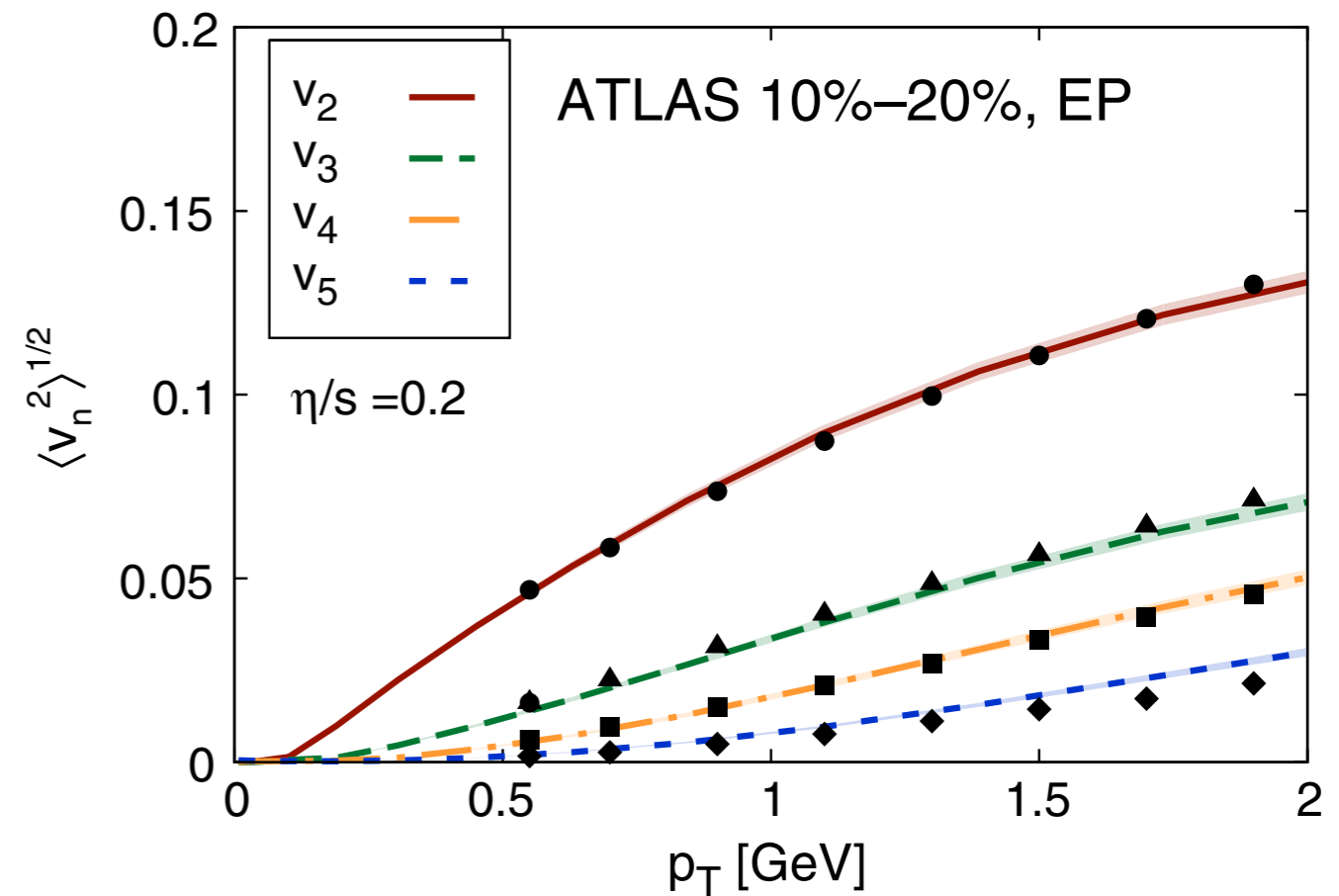


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pPb



PbPb



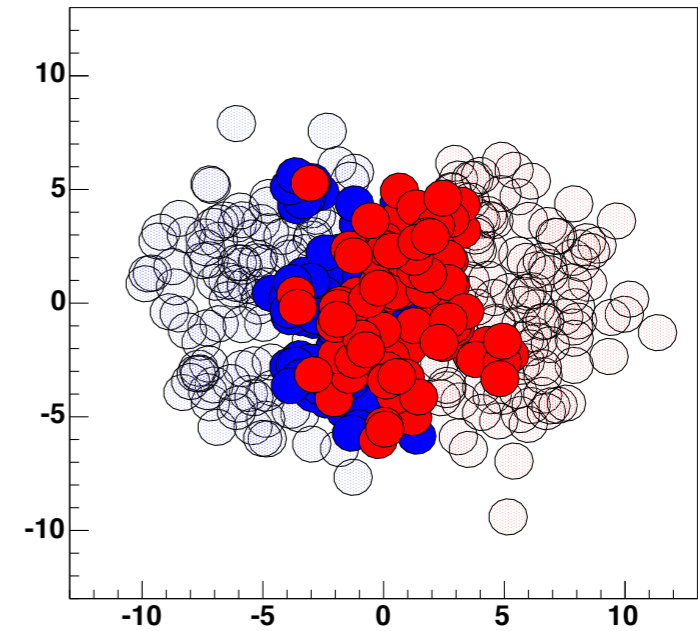
$v_2$  &  $v_3$  very similar between pPb & PbPb! do they have a common origin?

# geometry in AA & pA

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AA

geometry  
& fluctuations



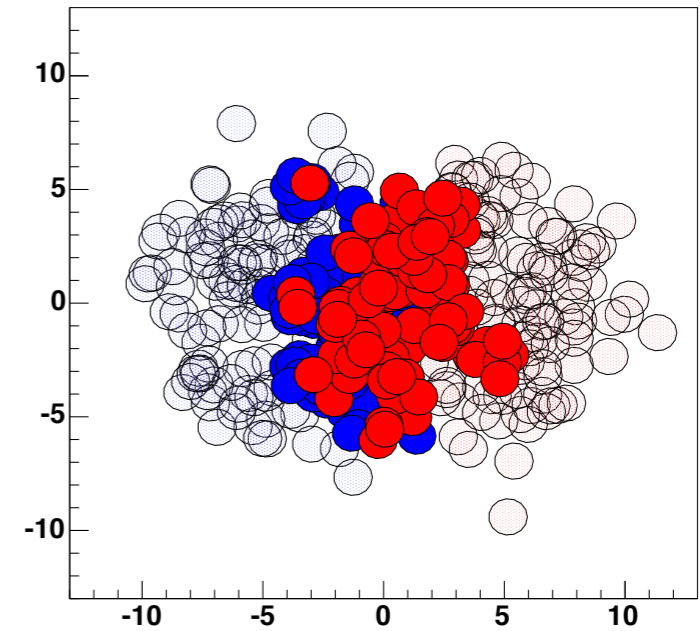


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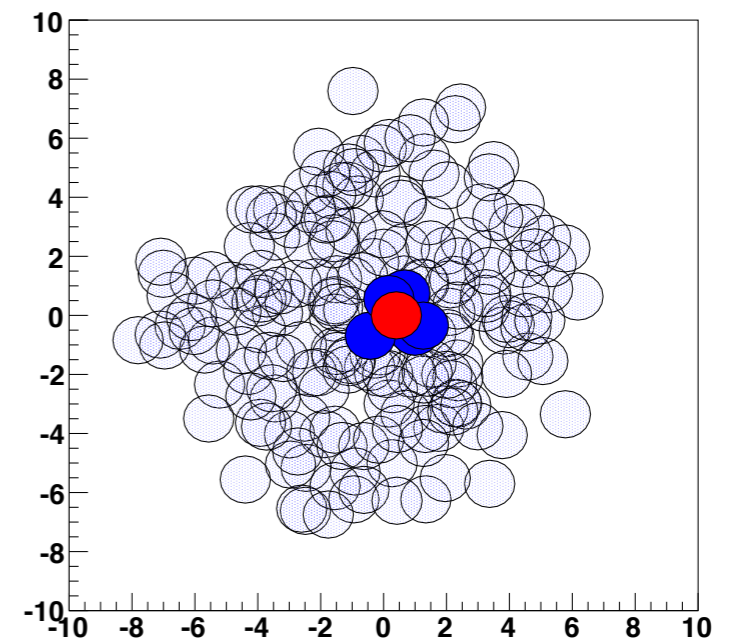
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pA

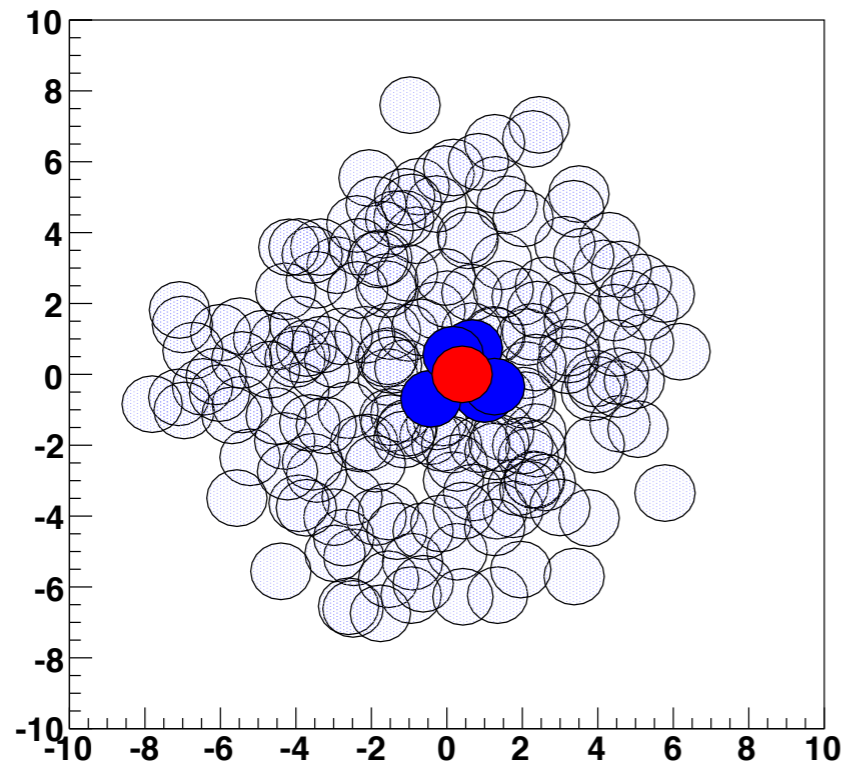
fluctuations



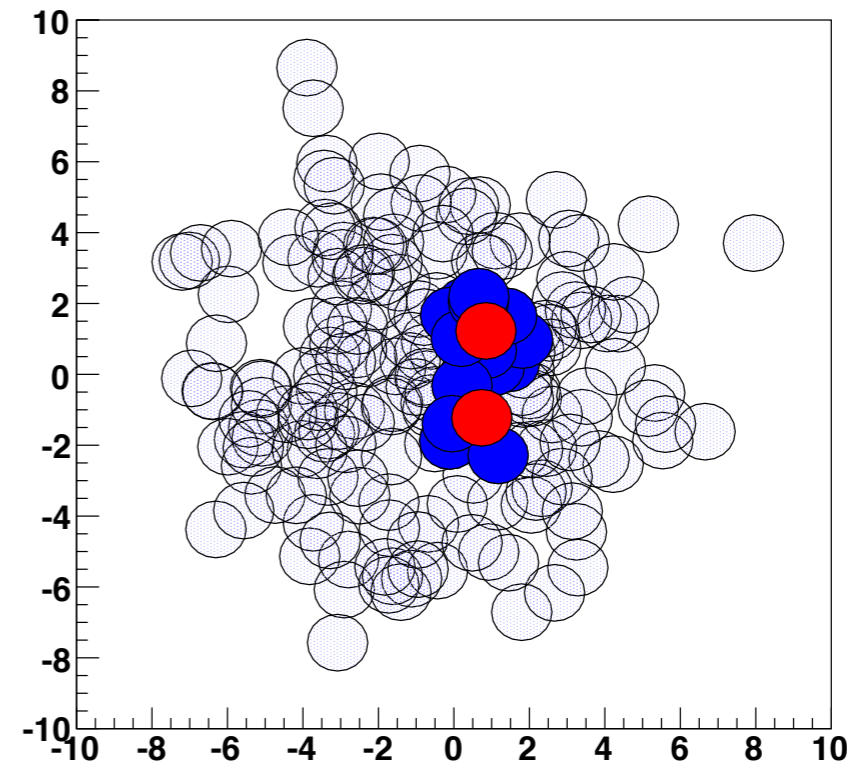
# adding geometry to pA

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**pA**



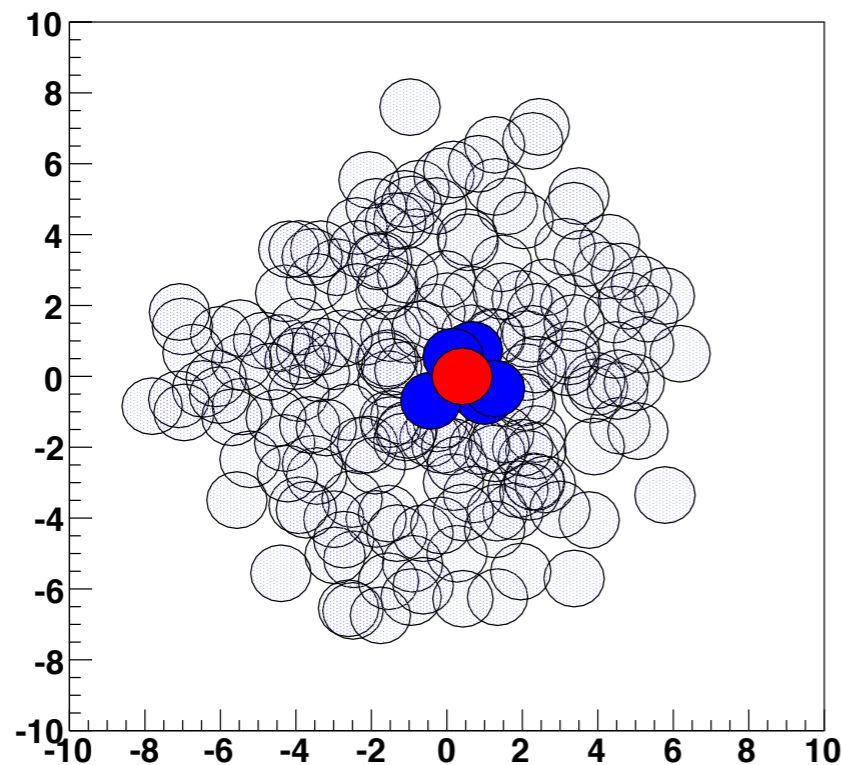
**dA**



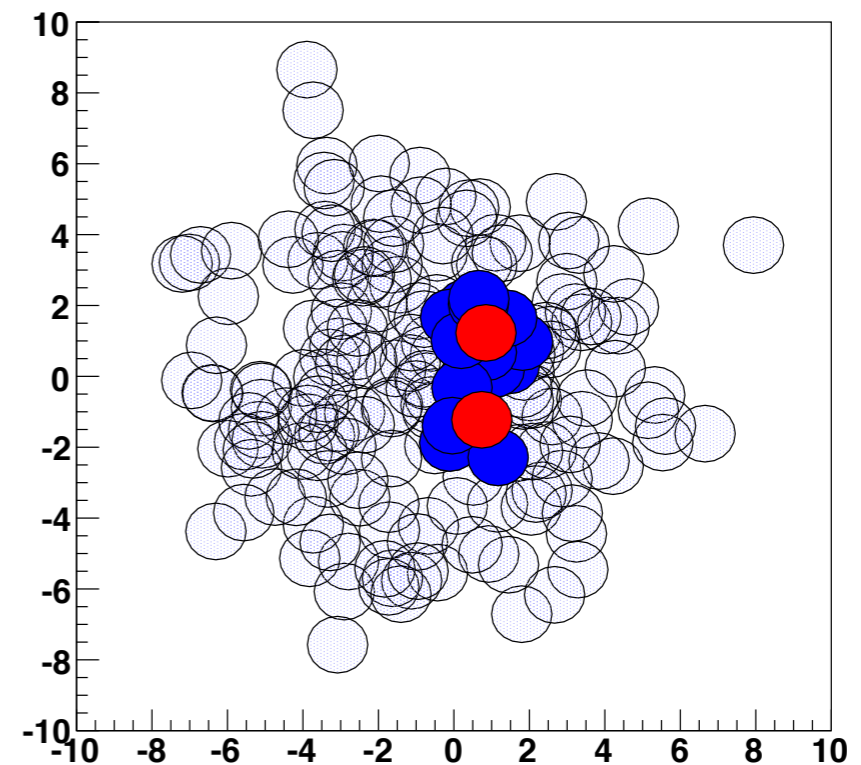
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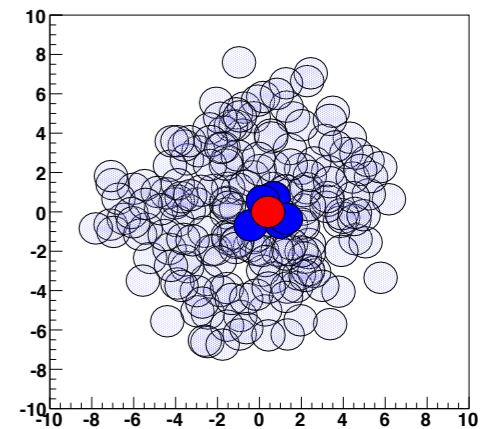
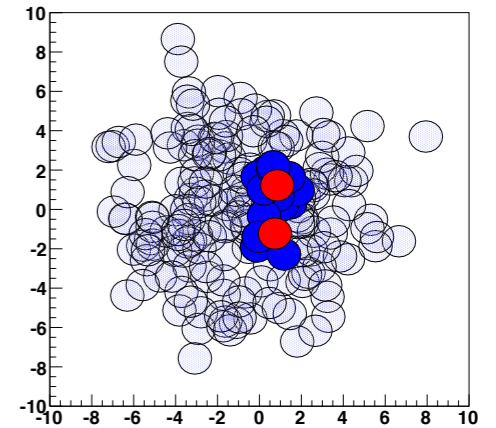
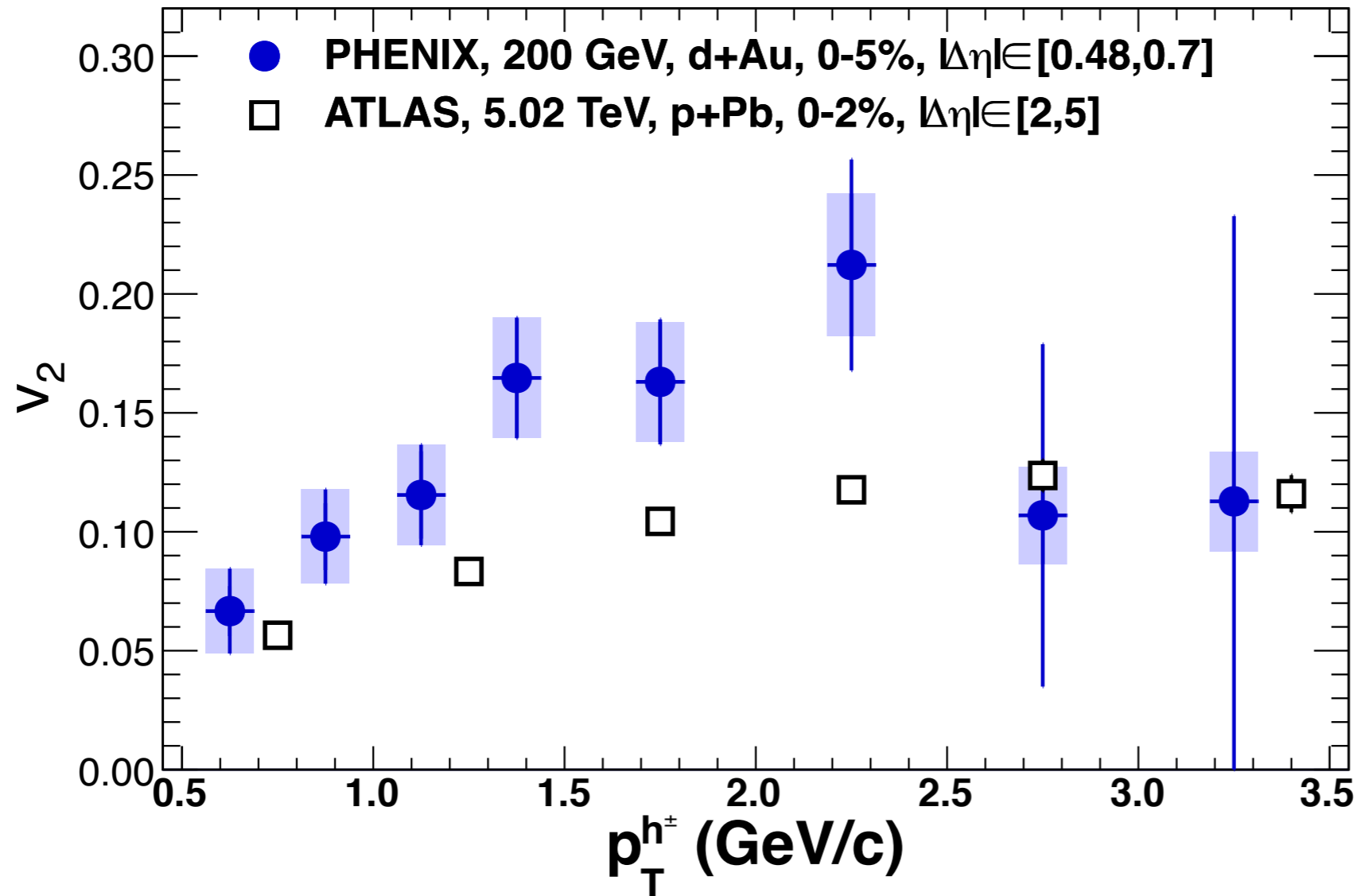


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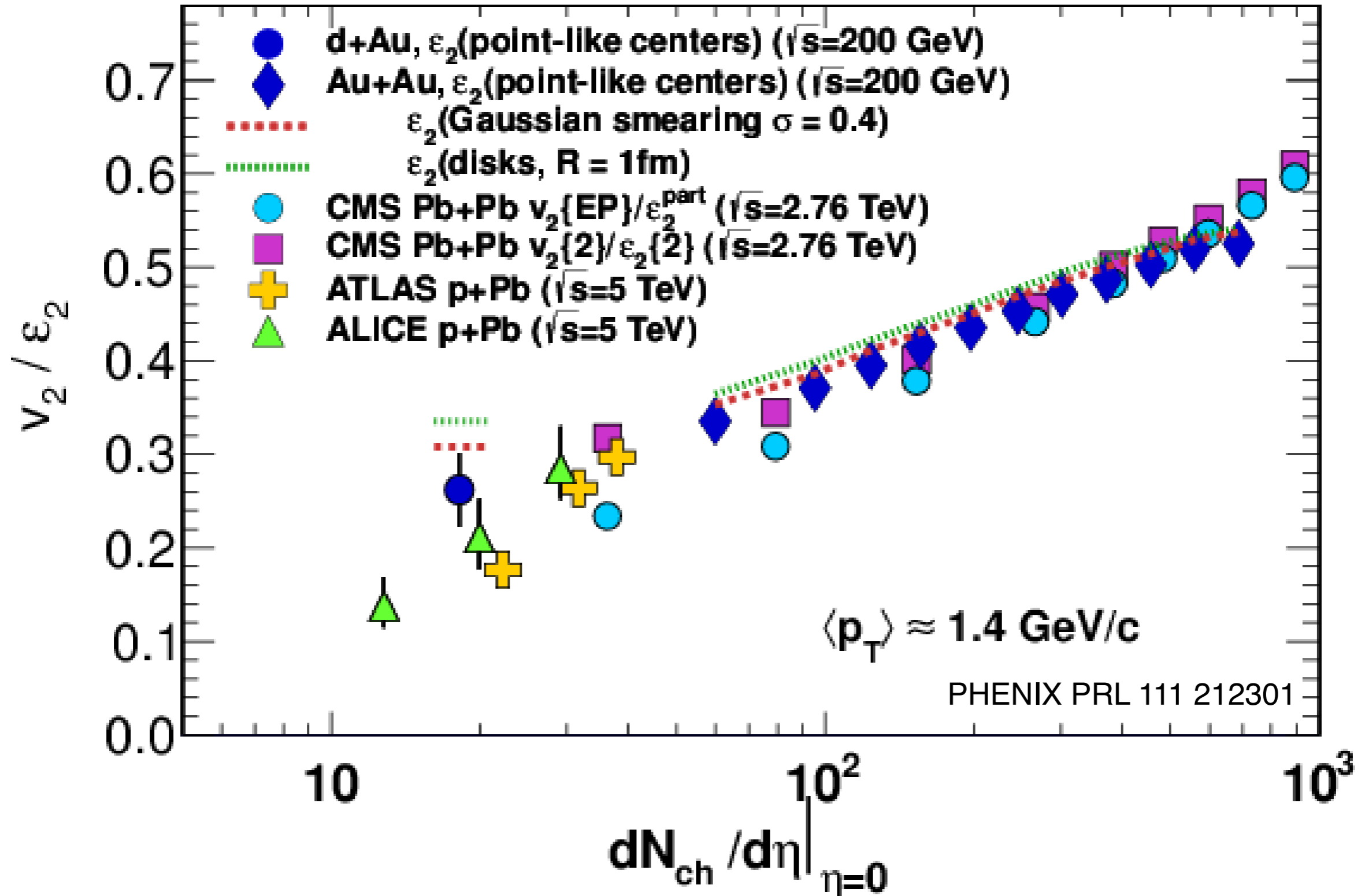


now test whether the  $v_2$  observed is related to geometry

# v2: pPb & dAu



# dAu, pPb, AuAu & PbPb

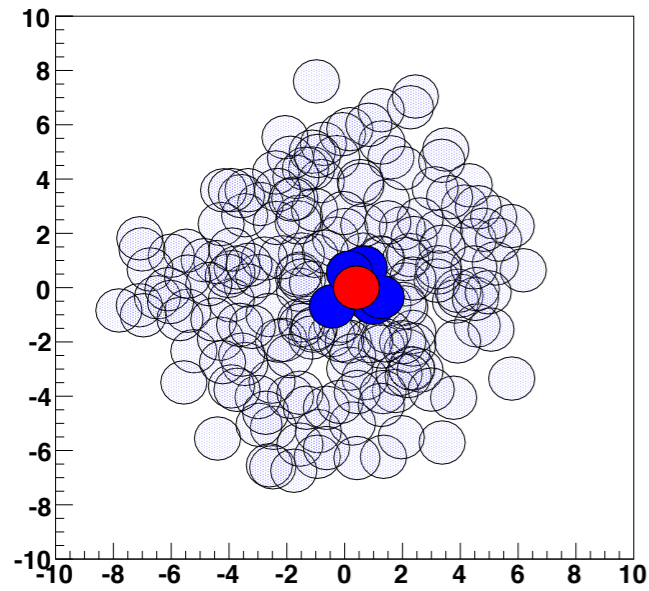


single trend, AA data understood as initial geometry + hydrodynamics

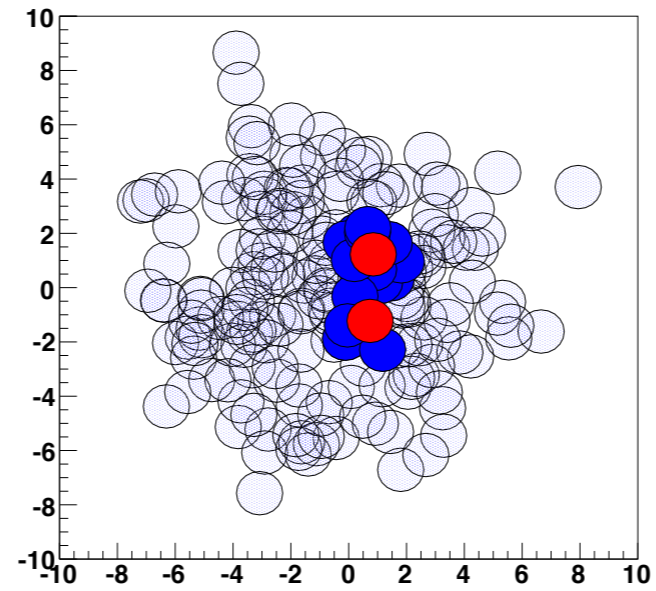
# variation of the small nucleus

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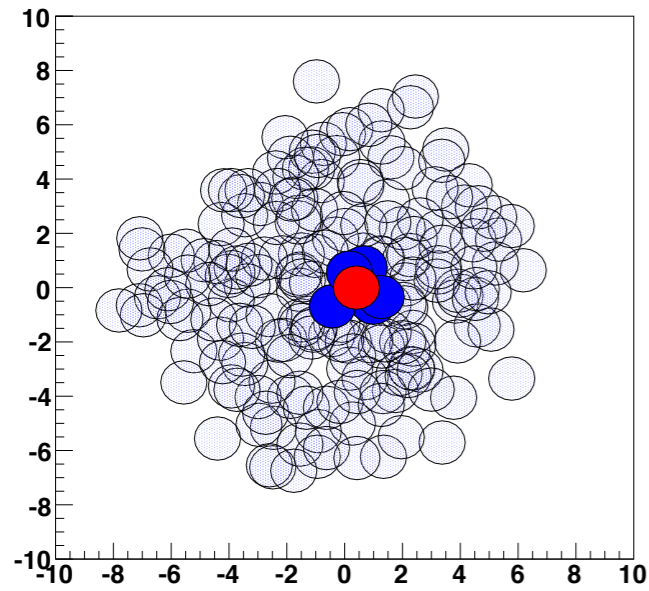
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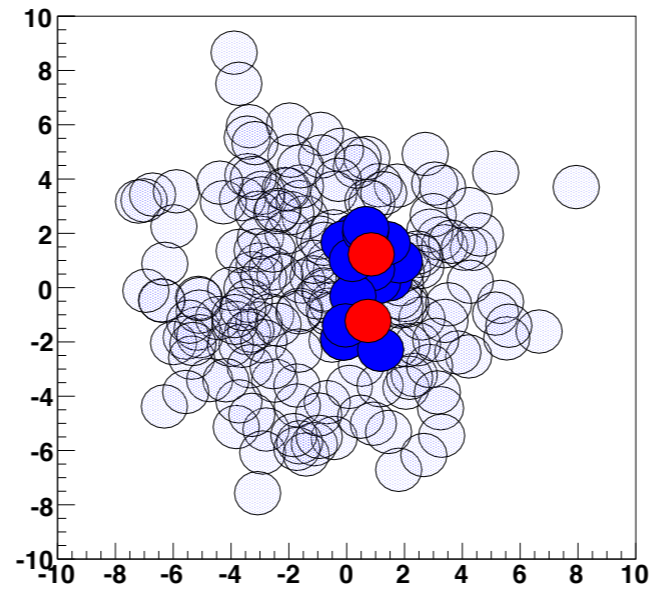
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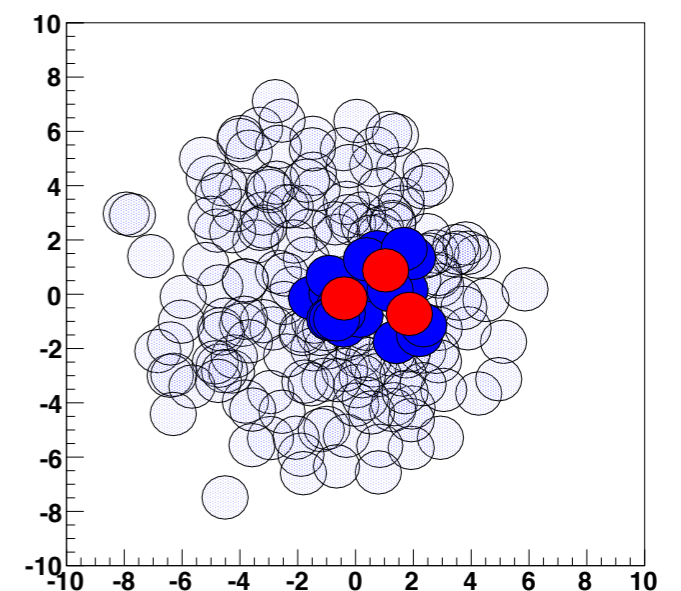
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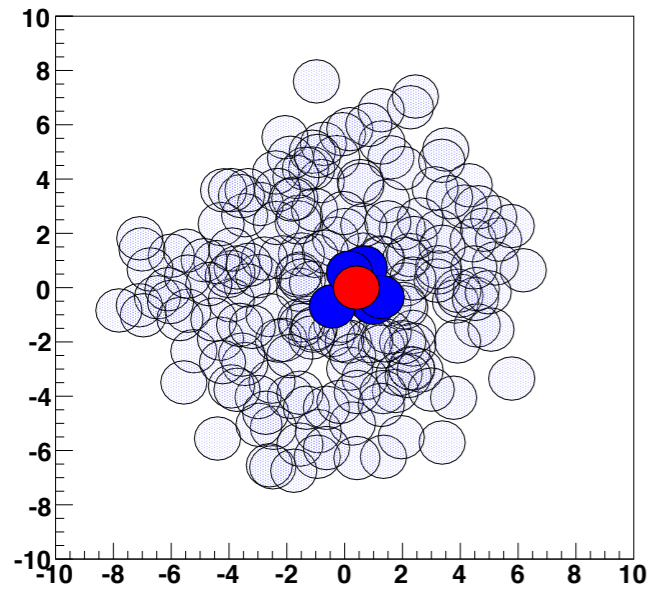


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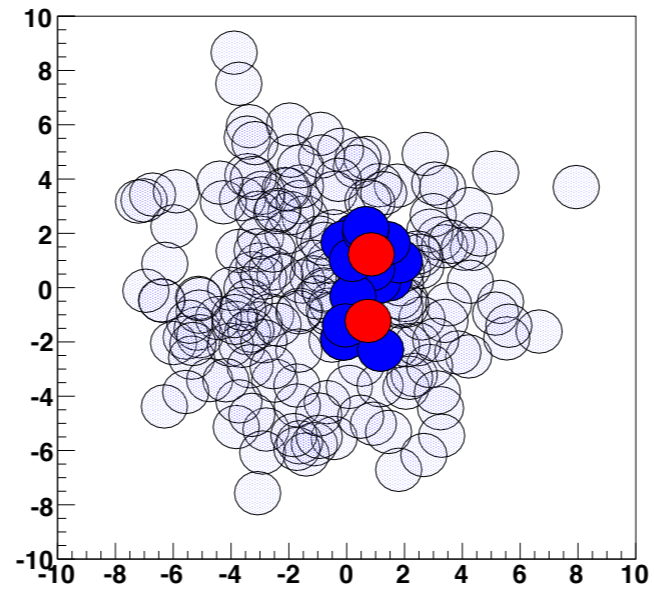


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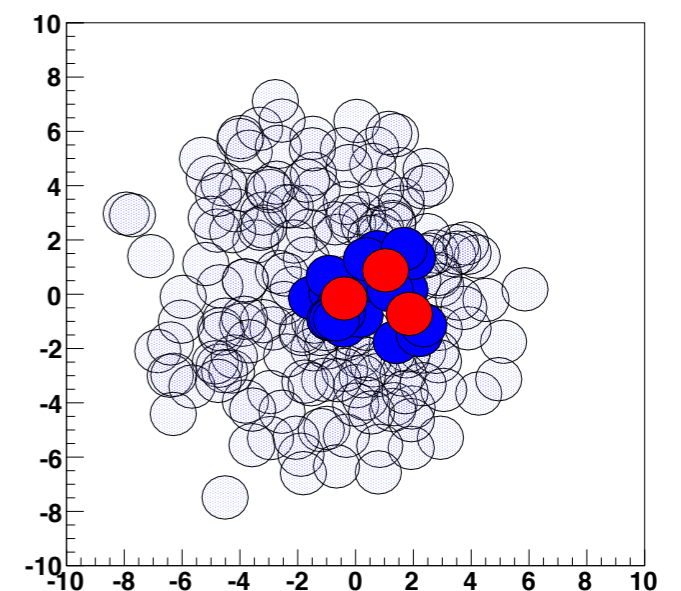
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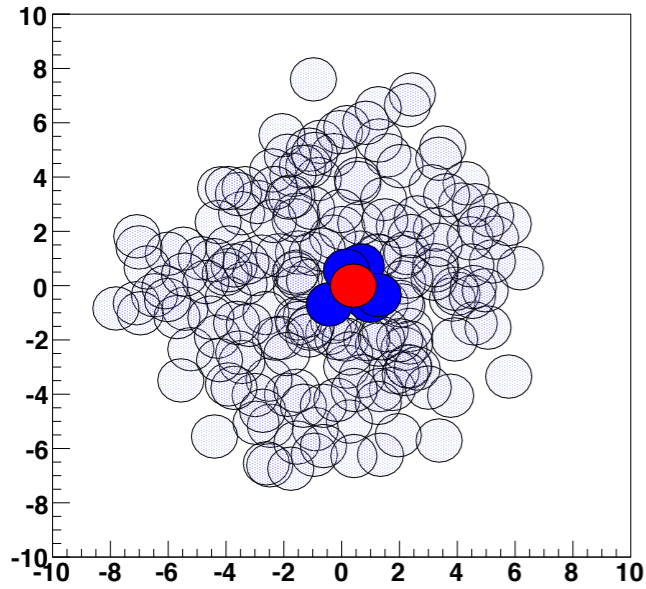
LHC



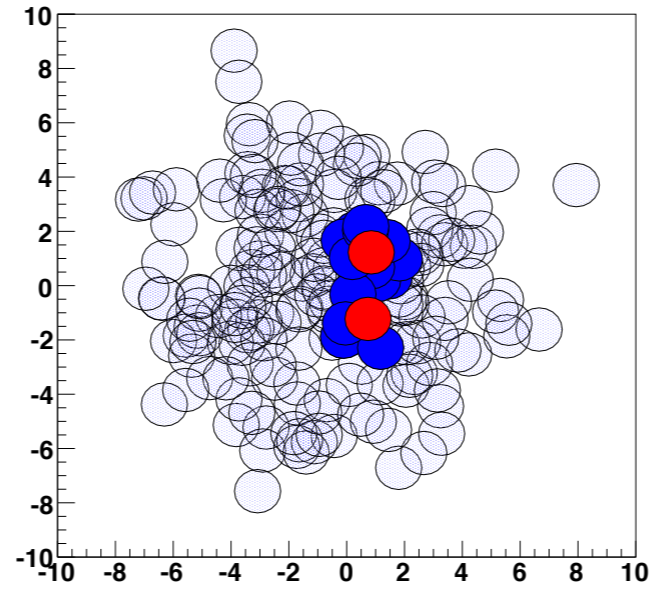
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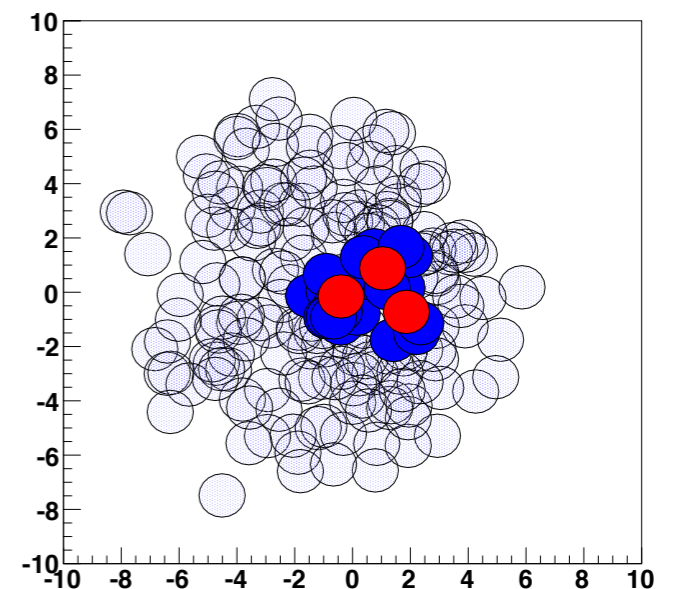
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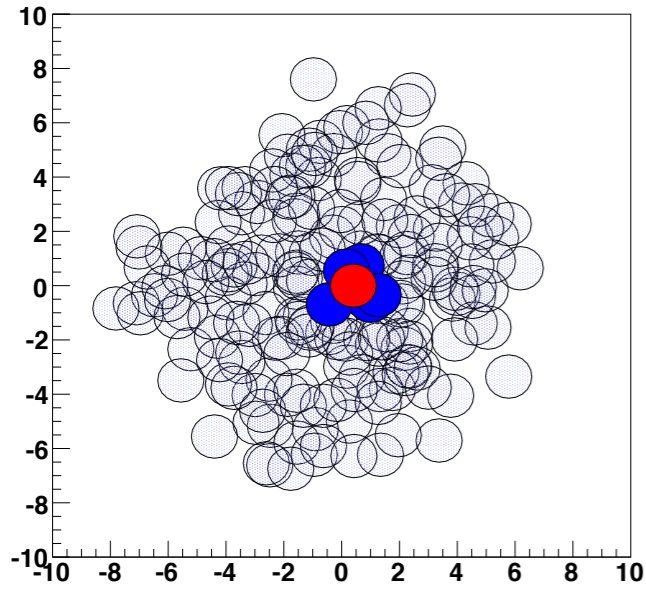


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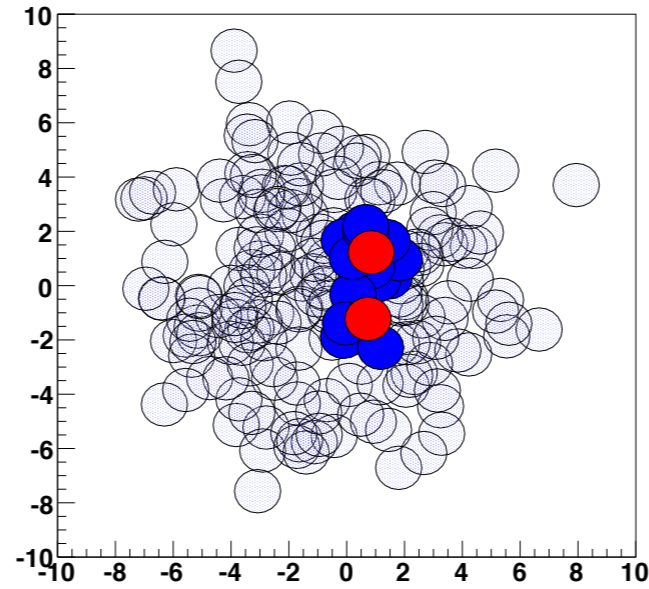
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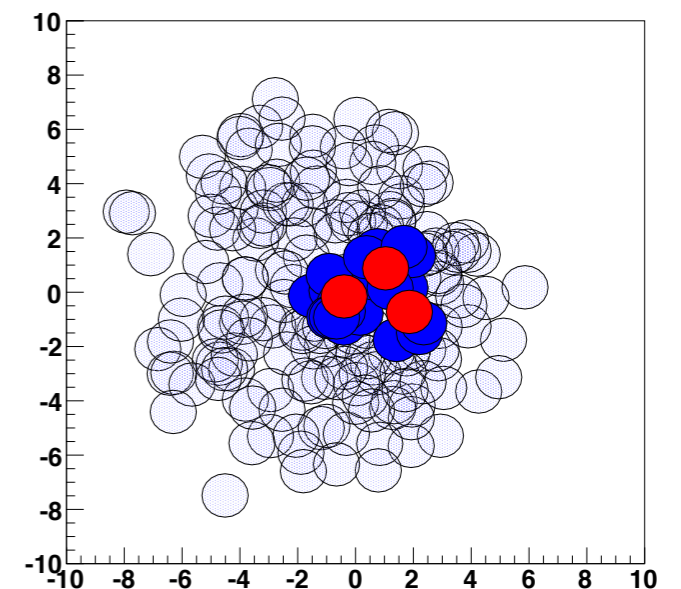
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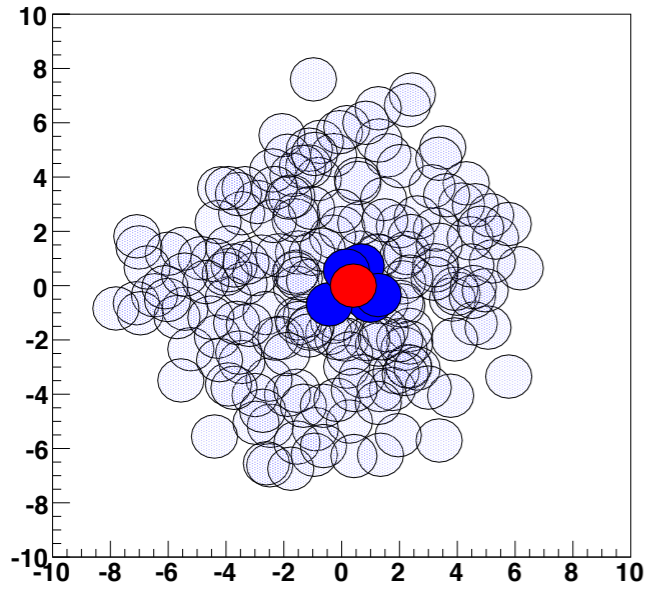
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RHIC (6/14)

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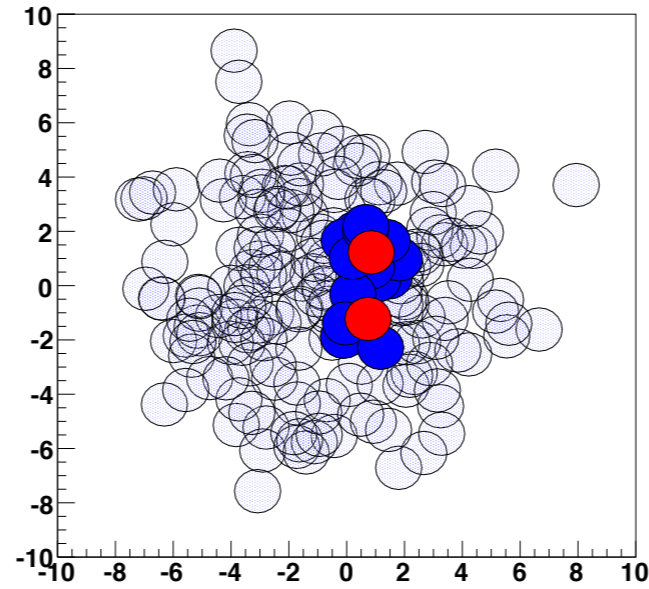
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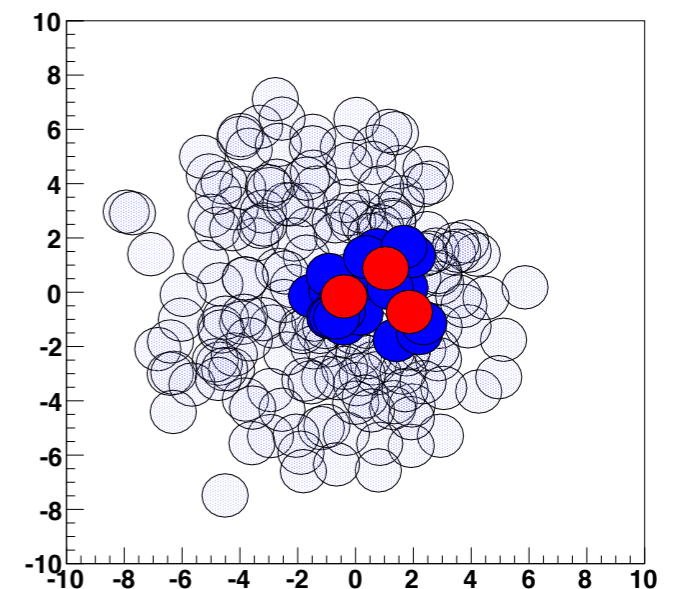
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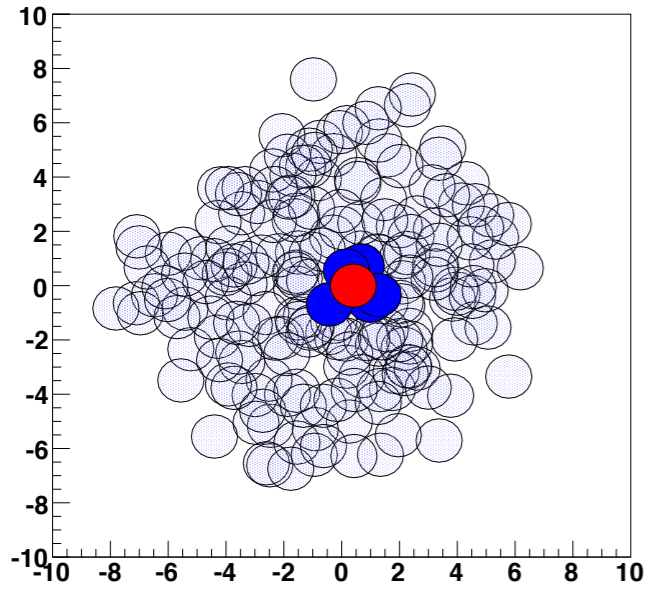
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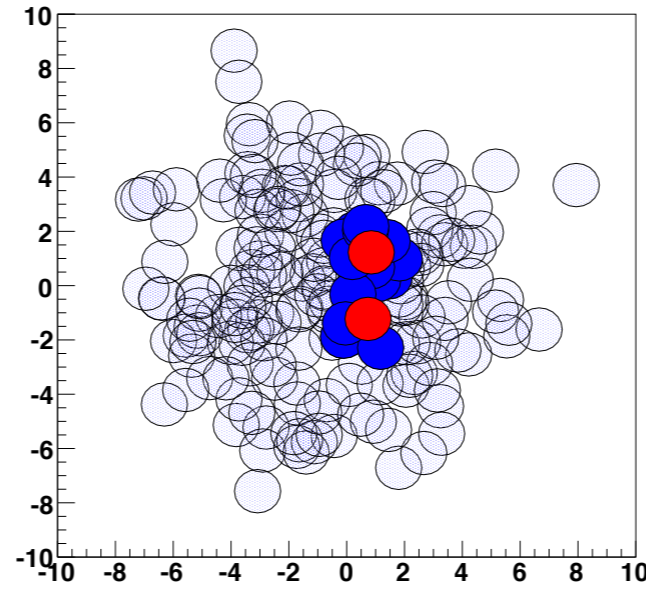
RHIC (6/14)

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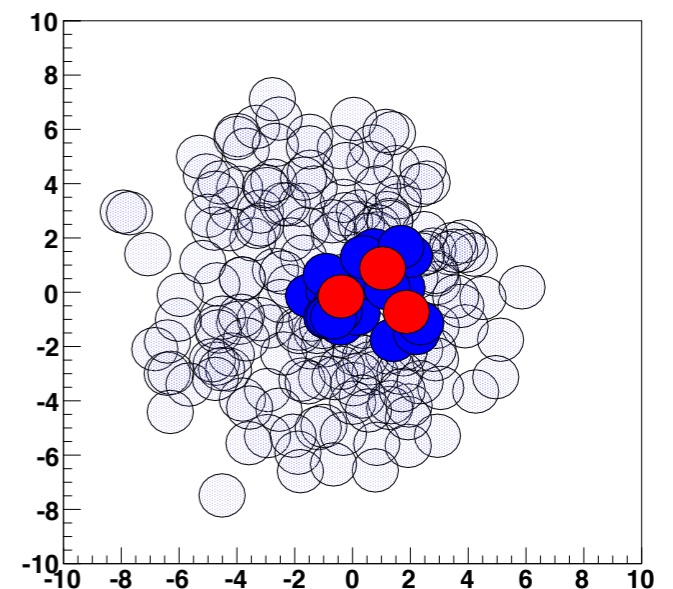
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LHC

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RHIC (6/14)

very exciting to engineer the collision geometry in small systems at RHIC in the next few months!

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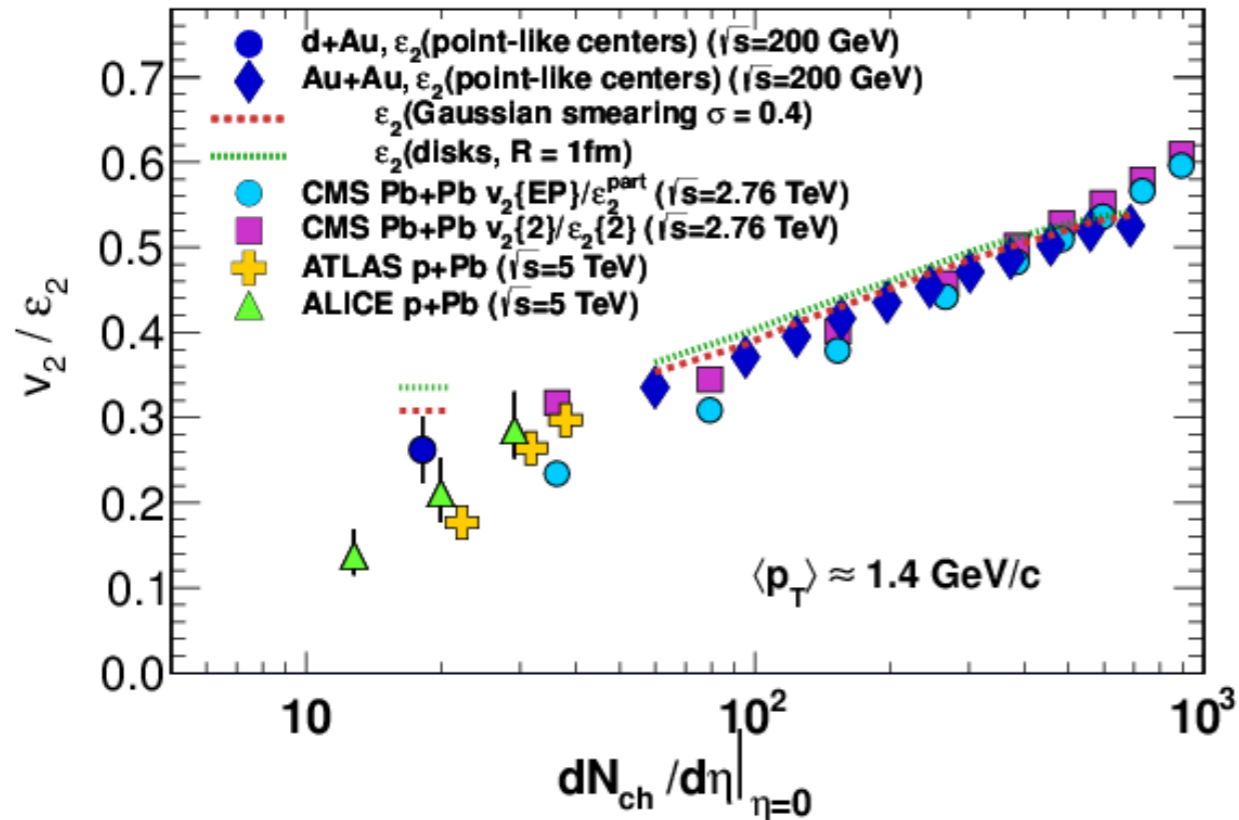
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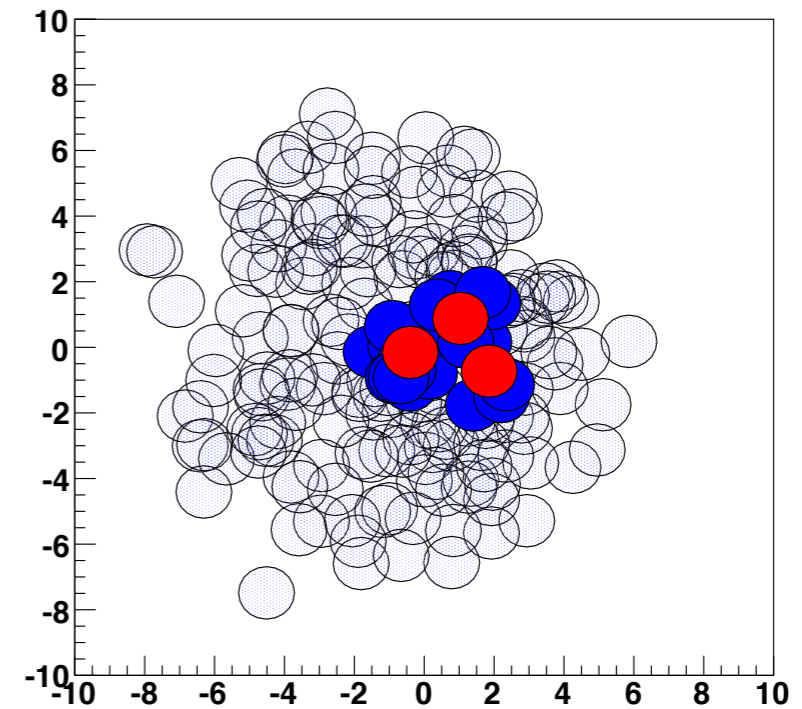
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- more fundamentally, we are interested in **how** the QGP forms and **why** it behaves as it does;
  - any pA QGP will have a shorter lifetime, potentially more sensitive to how it is formed
  - hydrodynamic models are pushed to their limit for such small systems why do the data still look fluid-like?
  - if it's not a QGP, what is going on and how does that impact understanding AA?



# conclusions



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- many advances in determining the viscosity of the QGP
- new surprises from pA collisions
- new data very soon to test whether we are forming a very small QGP or something else...