



# ELLIPTIC & TRIANGULAR FLOW IN THE RHIC GEOMETRY SCAN

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BASED ON THE DNP TALK OF SYLVIA MORROW

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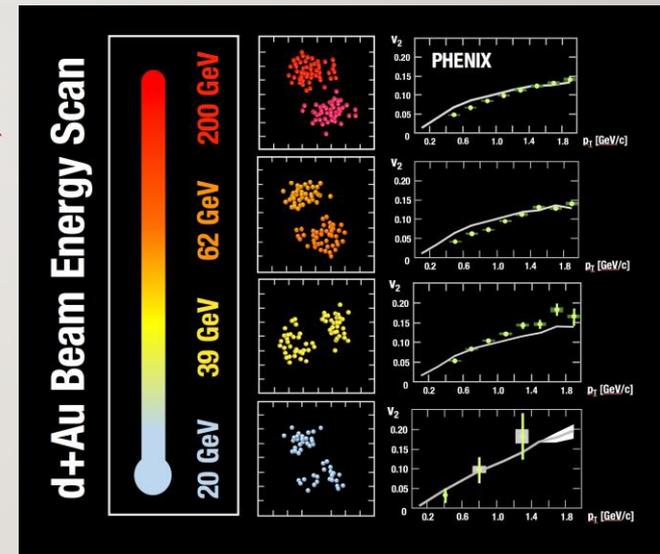
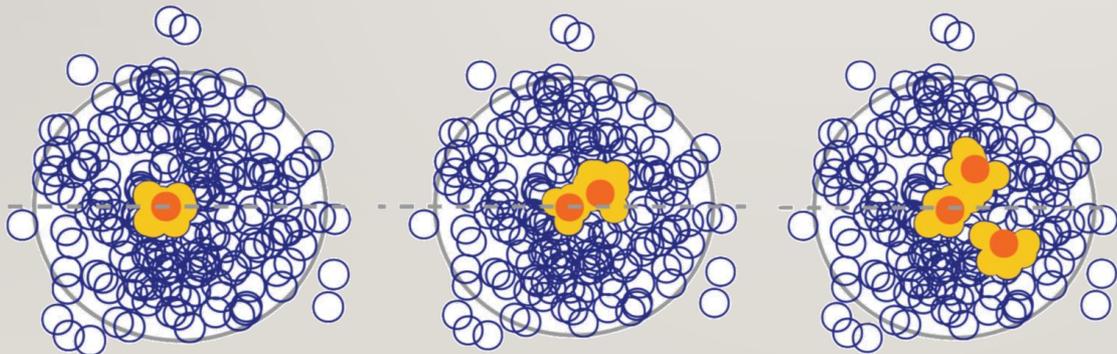
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# 2/12 ORIGIN OF FINAL STATE COLLECTIVITY?

- Is it due to the appearance of the sQGP (i.e. a strongly coupled fluid)?
  - If yes, how much time is needed to spend in QGP phase?
  - Test: d+Au collisions from 20 to 200 GeV
- Is it due to initial geometry and hydro?
  - Hydrodynamics: initial spatial correlations
  - Alternative: initial momentum correlations
  - Test: p+Au, d+Au,  $^3\text{He}+\text{Au}$
  - How do  $v_2$  and  $v_3$  evolve with initial state geom.?



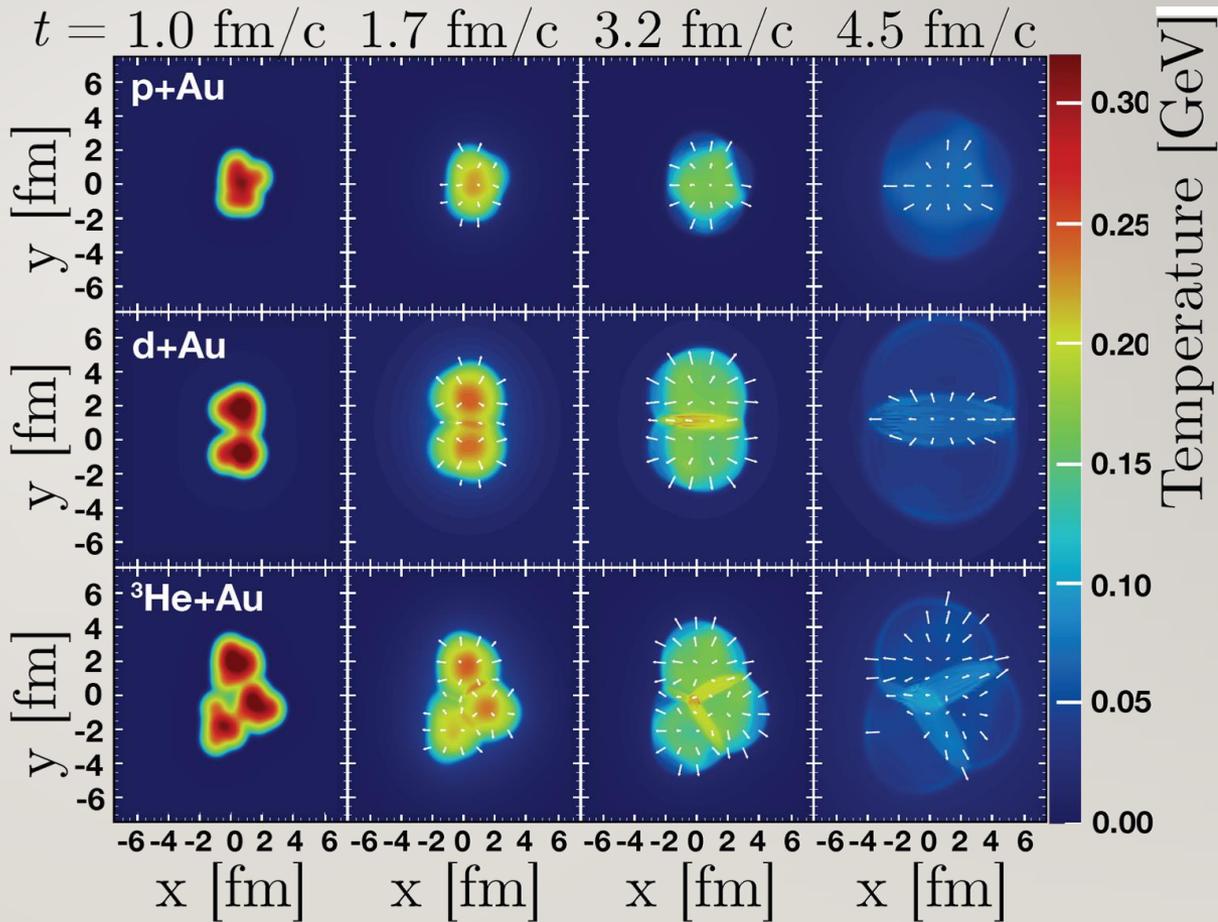
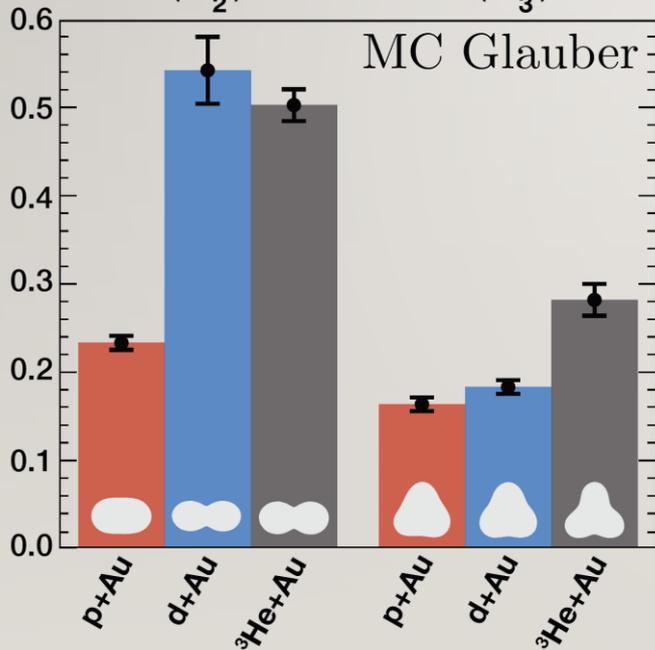
# 3<sub>/12</sub> INITIAL STATE AND HYDRO EVOLUTION

- Evolution from SONIC
- Initial stage:

$$\epsilon_2^{p+Au} < \epsilon_2^{d+Au} \approx \epsilon_2^{^3\text{He}+Au}$$

$$\epsilon_3^{p+Au} \approx \epsilon_3^{d+Au} < \epsilon_3^{^3\text{He}+Au}$$

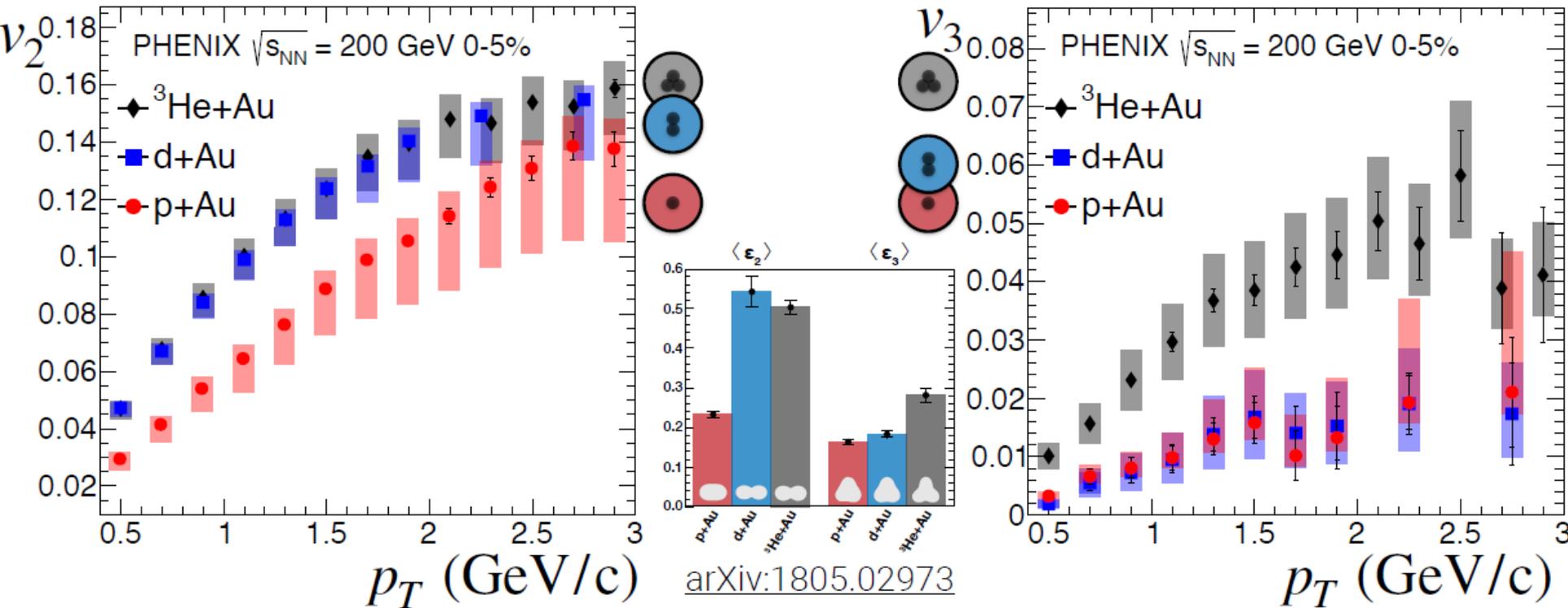
$$\langle \epsilon_2 \rangle \qquad \qquad \langle \epsilon_3 \rangle$$





# FLOW IN SMALL SYSTEMS: GEOMETRIC ORDERING

- Flow ordered similarly as initial state:

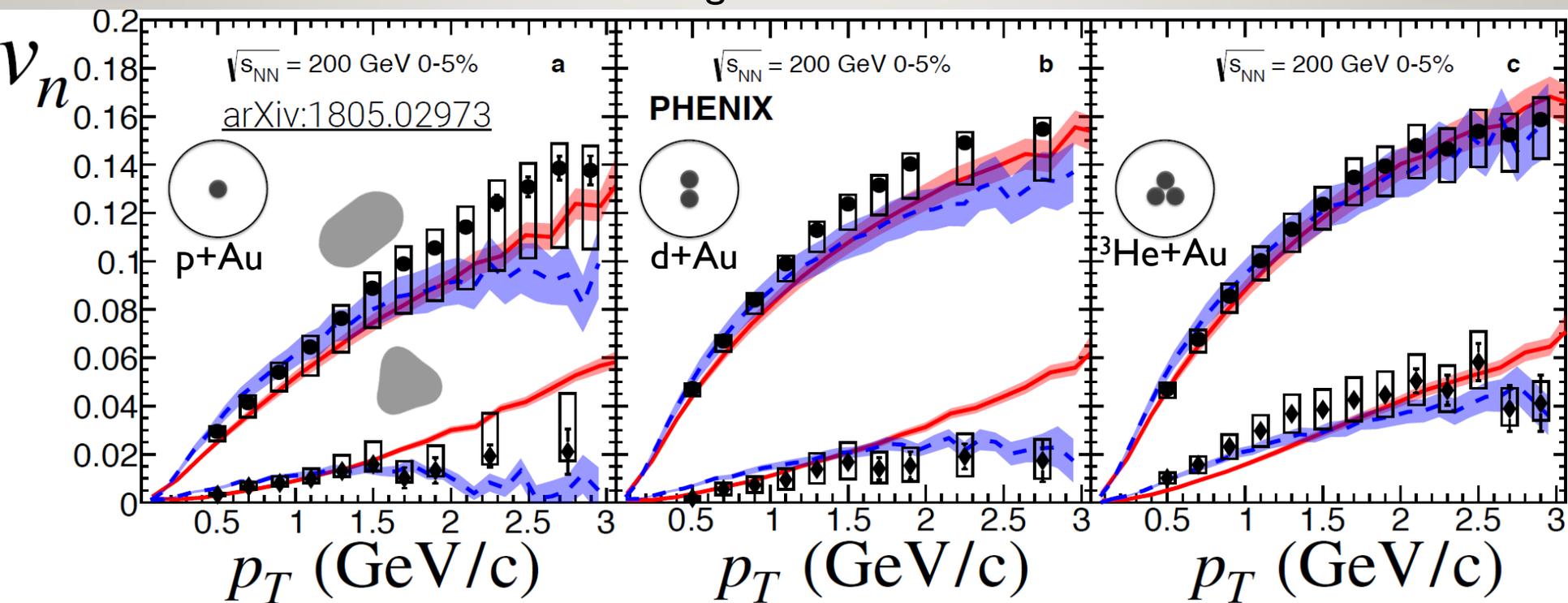


$$v_2^{p+\text{Au}} < v_2^{d+\text{Au}} \approx v_2^{^3\text{He}+\text{Au}}$$

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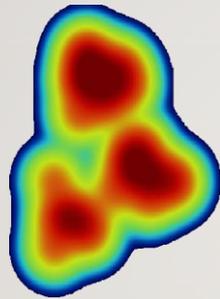
# 5<sub>/12</sub> COMPARISON TO HYDRO CALCULATIONS

- Hydro calculations
- Both 2+1D,  $\eta/s = 0.08$ , MCGlauber initial cond.
- Different hadronic rescattering

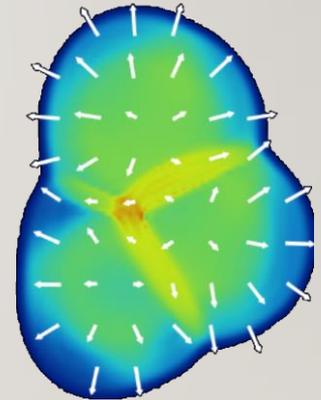


# 6/12 IS THERE AN ALTERNATIVE EXPLANATION?

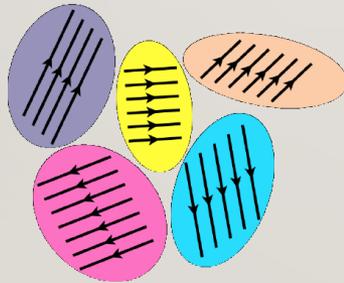
- Hydro: initial state spatial correlations a.k.a. geometry



Final state momentum correlations

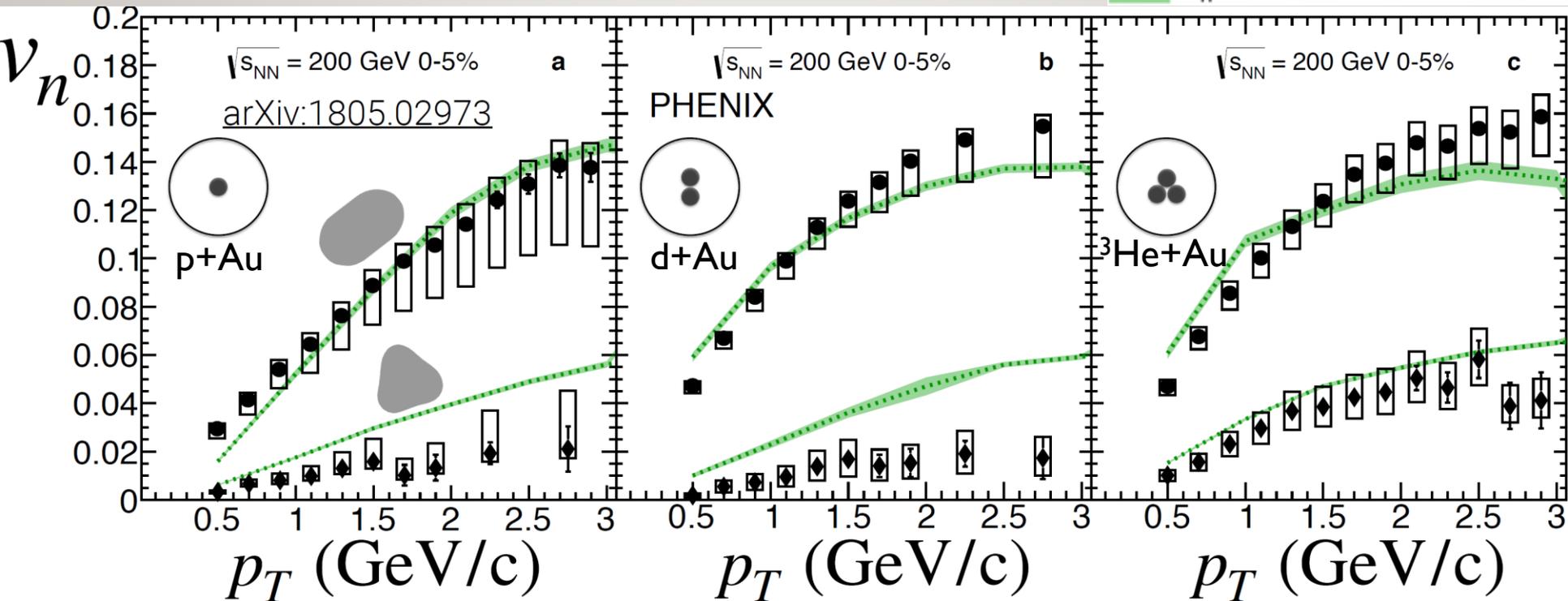


- Alternative: initial state momentum correlations  
Mace et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 121, 052301 (2018)



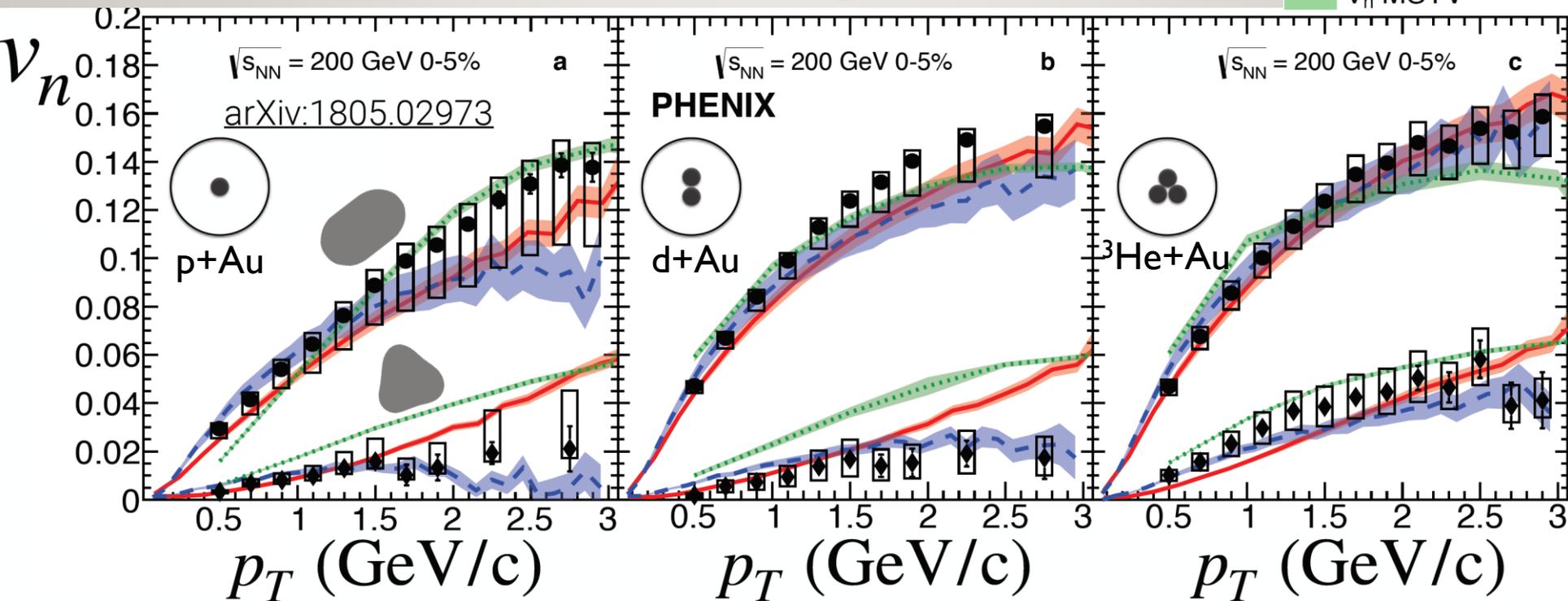
# ALTERNATIVE MODEL VS DATA

- MVST prediction (Mace, Skokov, Tribedy, Venugopalan, PRL 121, 052301)
- Reasonable  $v_2$  description, misses  $v_3$  ordering



# 8/12 ALL MODELS VS DATA

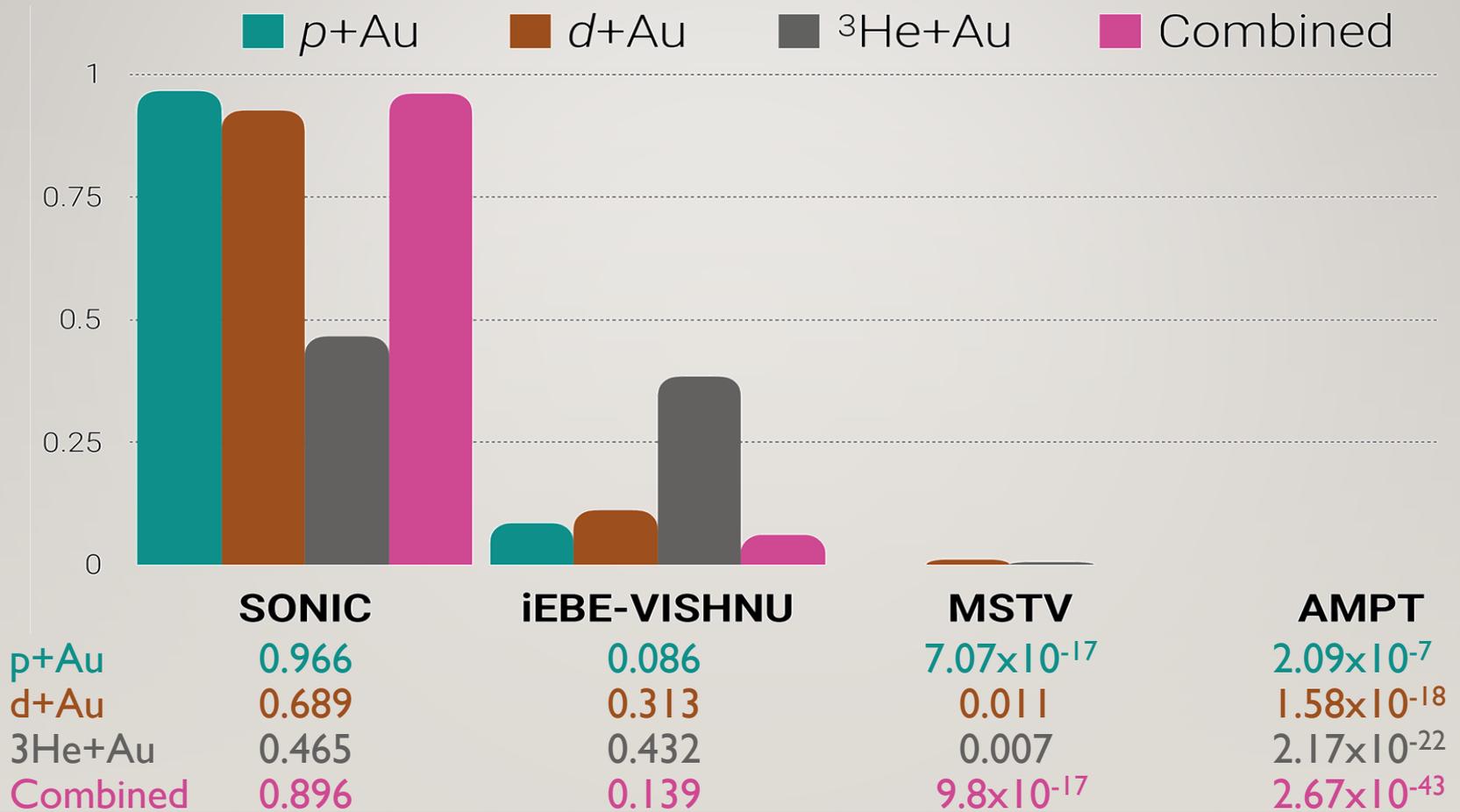
- All descriptions look similar „by eye”
- Tools for discrimination: confidence level
- MVST: multiplicity dependence; test  $v_2$  at same  $dN/d\eta$





# 9/12 STATISTICAL TEST OF ALL MODELS

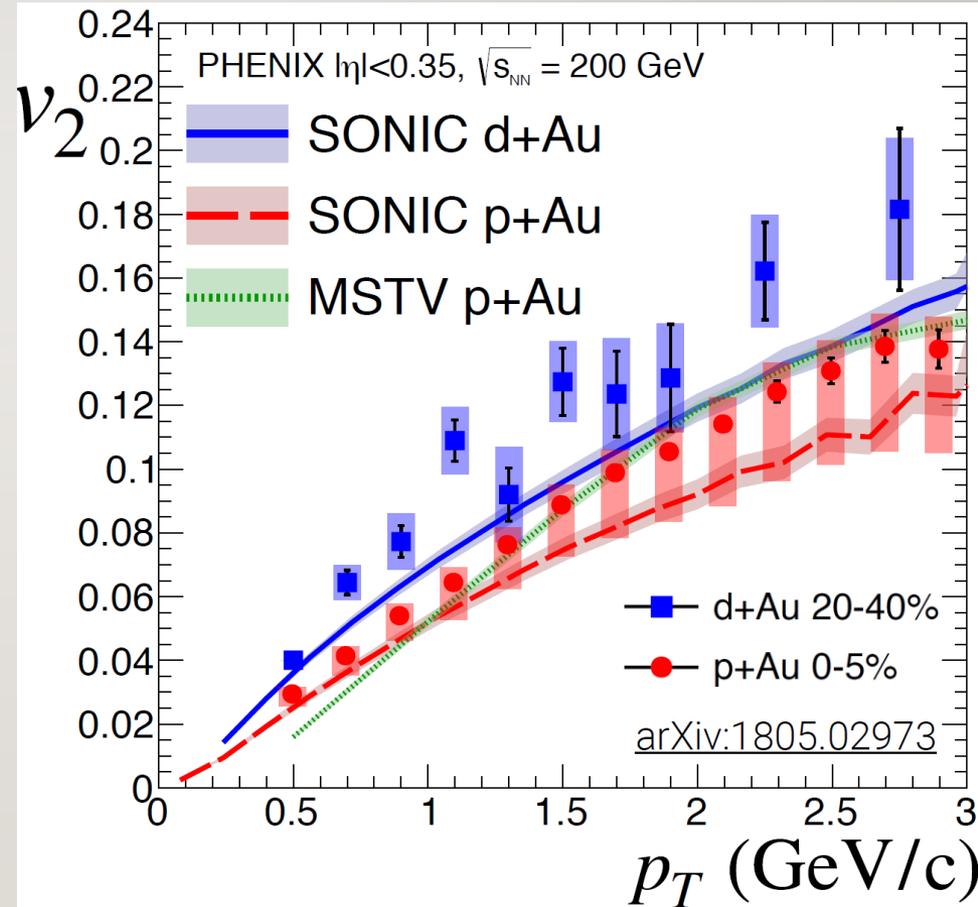
- QGP droplet and hydro describes data the best; MSVT close to marginal





# MVST PREDICTION FOR FIXED MULTIPLICITY

- Compare similar collision systems
  - d+Au 20-40% ( $dN/d\eta = 12.2 \pm 0.9$ )  
PRC 96,064905 (2017)
  - p+Au 0-5% ( $dN/d\eta = 12.3 \pm 1.7$ )  
PRC 95,034910 (2017)
- Fixed multiplicity:  
same MVST prediction for  $v_2$
- Hydro description:  
better qualitative agreement  
(same multiplicity scales with eccentricity)
- Note: no nonflow systematics  
estimate in d+Au ( $\leq$  than in p+Au)



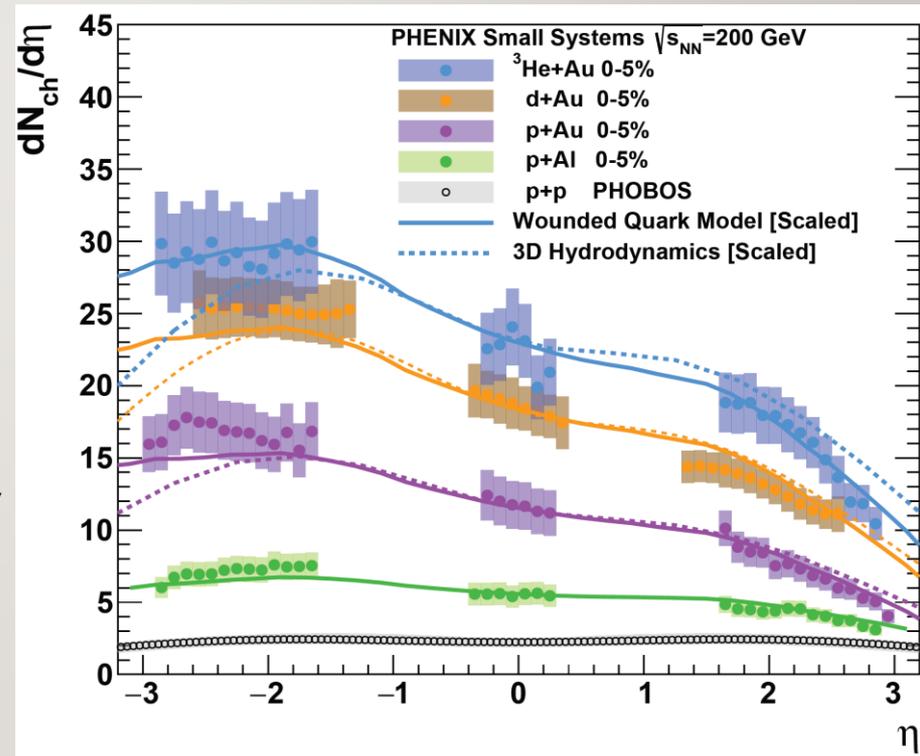
# FORWARD PARTICLE PRODUCTION?

- Wounded quark model:
  - Each quark participant produces hadrons, common emission function  $F(\eta)$
  - Constrained by  $dN/d\eta$  in d+Au

Barej, Bzdak, Gutowski, PRC97, 034901 (2018)

- Hydrodynamic simulation
  - MC Glauber initial condition
  - Longitudinal entropy distribution
  - 3+1D viscous evolution
  - $\eta/s = 1/4\pi$ , T-dependent bulk viscosity
  - Statistical hadronization

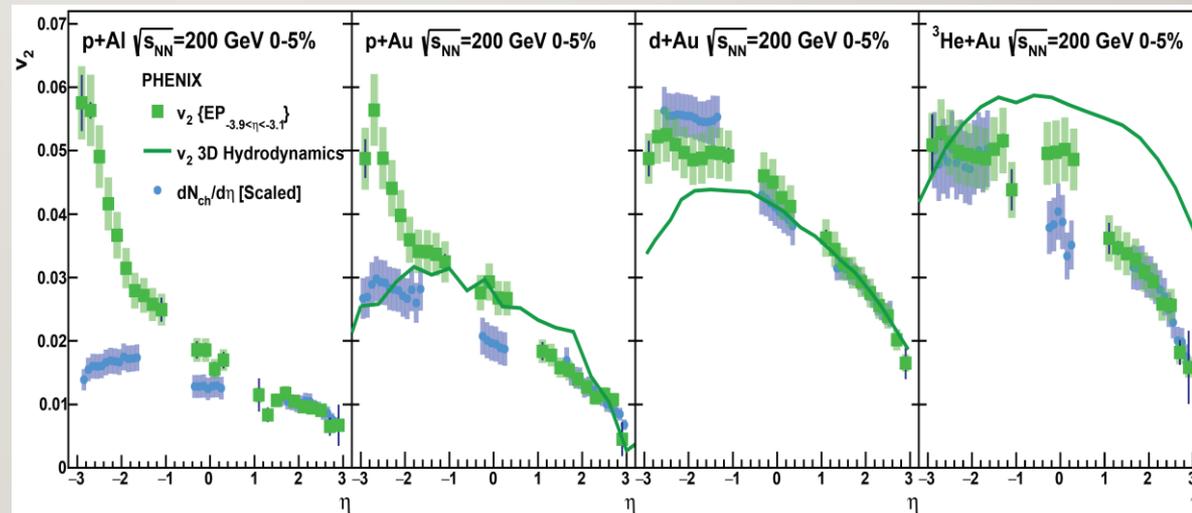
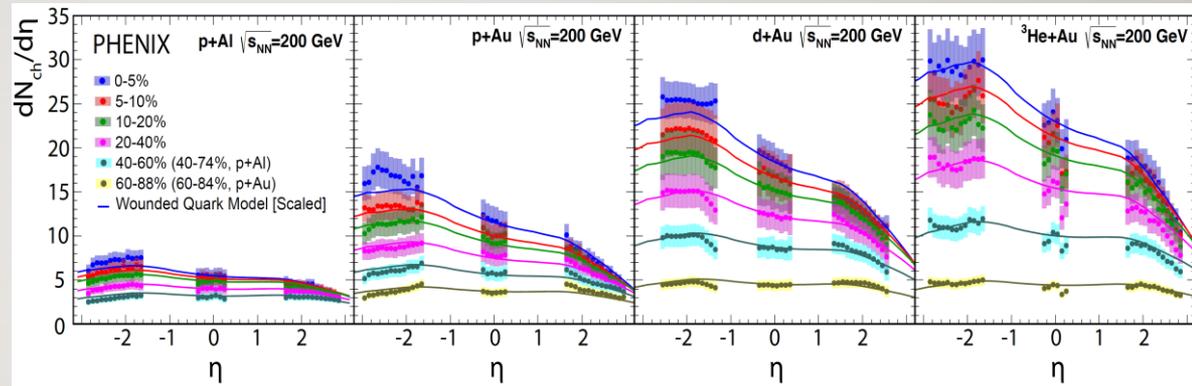
Bozek, Broniowski, PLB739, 308 (2014)



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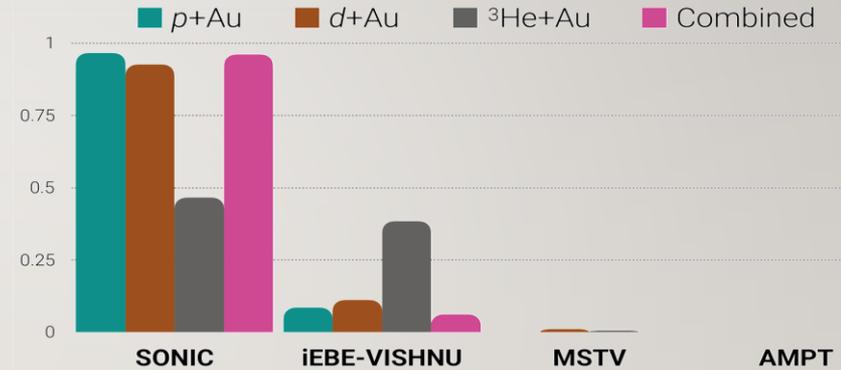
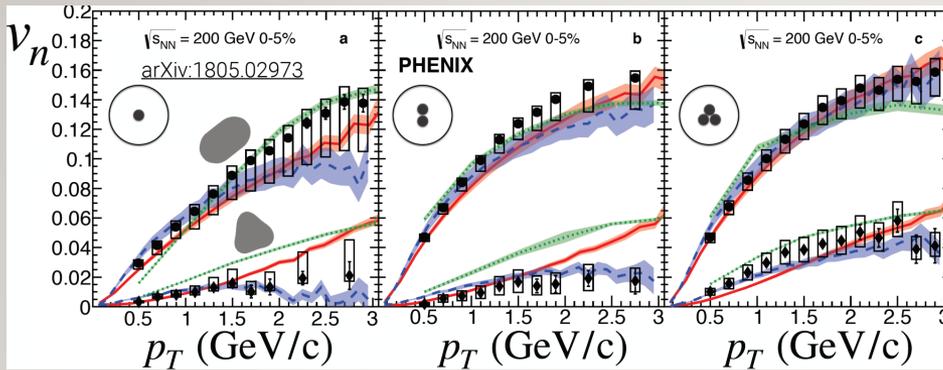
# 12/12 FURTHER DETAILS INVESTIGATED

- Wounded quark model works for  $dN/d\eta$  at all centralities, from p+Al to  $^3\text{He}+\text{Au}$
- Flow: increase with system size at forward rapidities (consistently with initial geometry)
- Enhancement at backward rapidity: nonflow?
- Compare  $dN/d\eta$ : approximate scaling



# 13<sub>12</sub> SUMMARY

- Strong evidence for QGP droplets in small systems
  - Acceptable confidence levels for hydro in p/d/<sup>3</sup>He+Au



- Longitudinal dynamics explored in detail
  - Wounded quark model works well
  - Hydro describes qualitative features
- Thanks to Sylvia Morrow for the talk material
- arXiv:1807.11928 PRL 121 (2018) 222301
- arXiv:1805.02973, Nature Physics AiP

