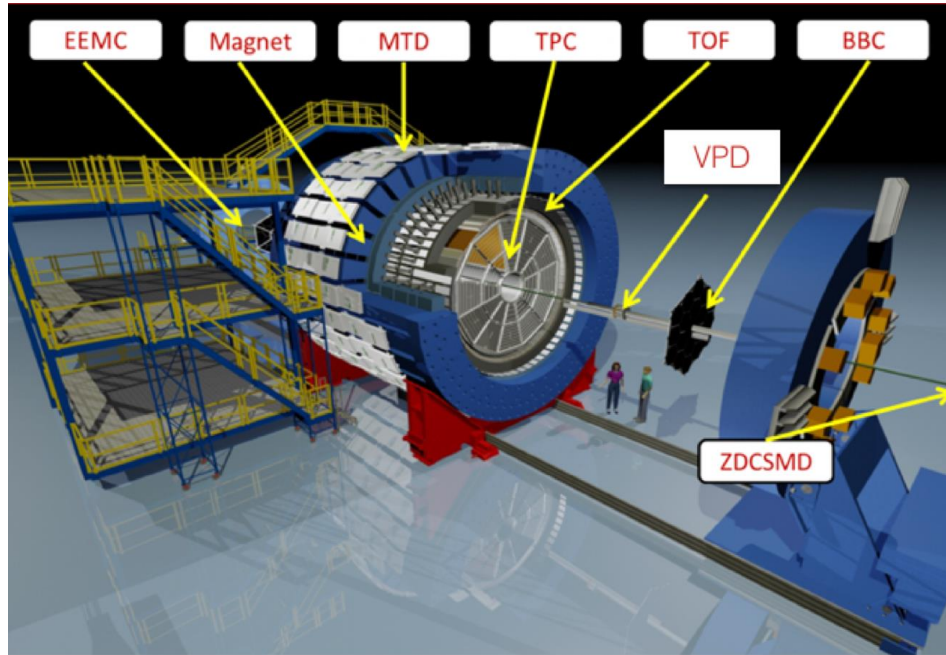# Investigations of the longitudinal broadening of two-particle transverse momentum correlations from STAR

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➢ Data set: Au +Au at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV

➢ Time Projection Chamber
Tracking of charged particles with:
  ✓ Full azimuthal coverage
  ✓ $|\eta| < 1$ coverage

➢ In this analysis we used tracks with:
  $0.2 < p_T < 2$ GeV/c

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Motivation:

The Gavin ansatz:

$\sigma_c \rightarrow$ Central

$\sigma_0 \rightarrow$ Peripheral

➤ The p_T 2-P correlation function is sensitive to the dissipative viscous effects that are ensured during the transverse and longitudinal expansion of the collisions' medium.

➤ Because such dissipative effects are more prominent for long-lived systems, they lead to longitudinal broadening of p_T 2-P correlation function as collisions become more central.

➤ A proposed estimate of this broadening, $\Delta\sigma^2$, can be linked to η/s as:

$$\Delta\sigma^2 = \sigma_c^2 - \sigma_0^2 = \frac{4}{T_c}\frac{\eta}{s}\left(\frac{1}{\tau_0} - \frac{1}{\tau_{c,f}}\right)$$


The p_T 2-P correlator:

$$G_2\left(\eta_1, \varphi_1, \eta_2, \varphi_2\right) = \frac{\left\langle \sum_i^{n_1}\sum_{j\neq i}^{n_2} p_{T,i}p_{T,j}\right\rangle}{\langle n_1\rangle\langle n_2\rangle} - \langle p_{T,1}\rangle_{\eta_1,\varphi_1}\langle p_{T,2}\rangle_{\eta_2,\varphi_2}$$

$$\frac{\left\langle \sum_i^{n_1}\sum_{j\neq i}^{n_2} p_{T,i}\, p_{T,j}\right\rangle}{\langle n_1\rangle\langle n_2\rangle} = \frac{\left\langle \sum_i^{n_1}\sum_{j\neq i}^{n_2} p_{T,i}\, p_{T,j}\right\rangle}{\left\langle \sum_i^{n_1}\sum_{j\neq i}^{n_2} n_i\, n_j\right\rangle} r_{1,2}$$

$$r_{1,2} = \frac{\left\langle \sum_i^{n_1}\sum_{j\neq i}^{n_2} n_i\, n_j\right\rangle}{\langle n_1\rangle\langle n_2\rangle}$$

➤ $r_{1,2}$ is a number correlation, it will be unity when the particle pairs are independent

➤ The $r_{1,2}$ correlations can be impacted by the centrality definition

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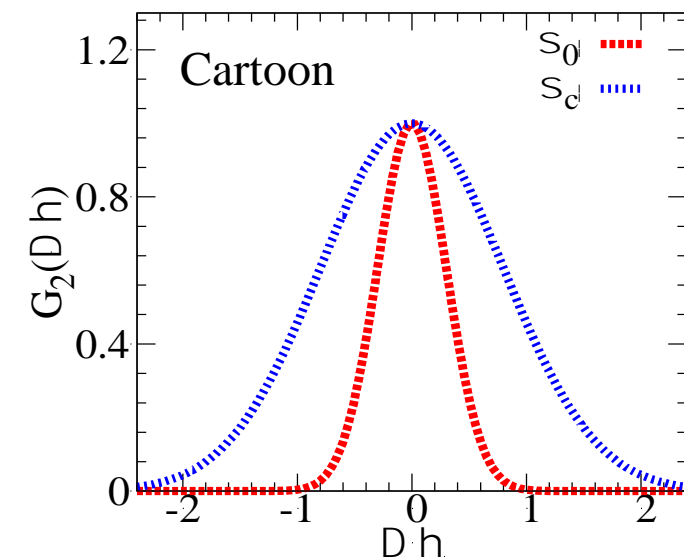
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➢ The azimuthal correlations for Au+Au at 200 GeV

$$G_2(\Delta\varphi) = A_0^{p_T} + 2\sum_{n=1}^{6} A_n^{p_T} \cos(n\,\Delta\varphi) \qquad a_n^{p_T} = \sqrt{A_n^{p_T}}$$

$Au + Au\ 200\ GeV$
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- 70 - 80%
- 60 - 70%
- 50 - 60%
- 40 - 50%
- 30 - 40%
- 20 - 30%
- 10 - 20%
- 00 - 10%

$G_2(\Delta\phi)\ (GeV/c)^2$

$\Delta\phi\ (rad)$

(a) Au+Au 200 GeV   n = 2   STAR Preliminary

(b) $|\Delta\eta| > 1.0$ n = 3   STAR Preliminary
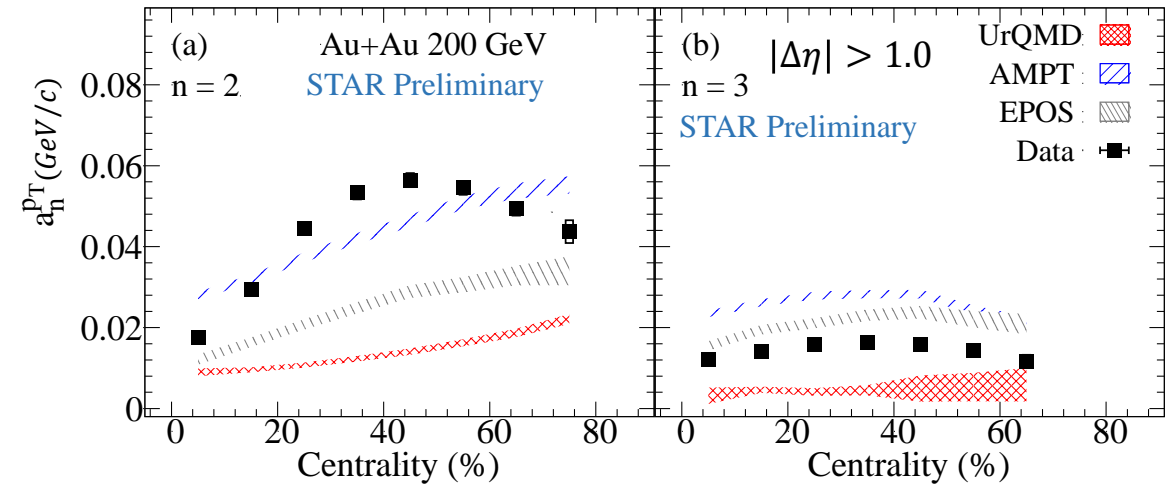
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$a_n^{p_T}(GeV/c)$

Centrality (%)
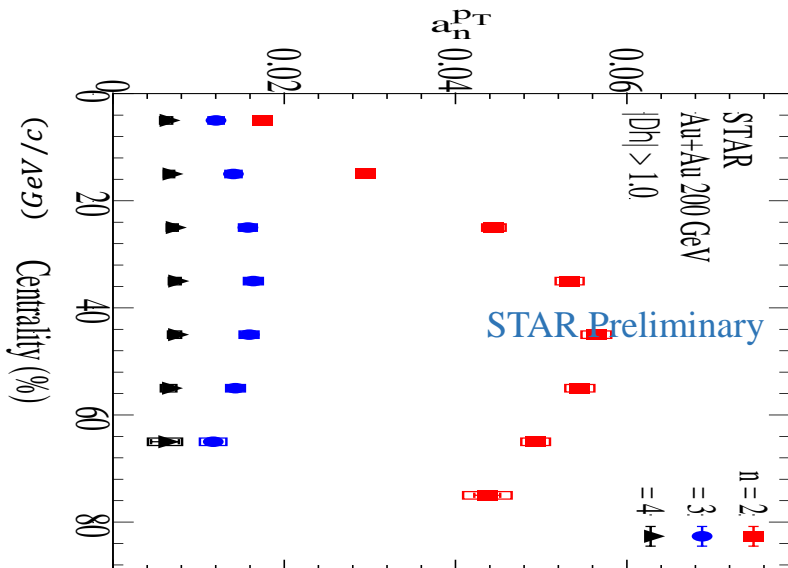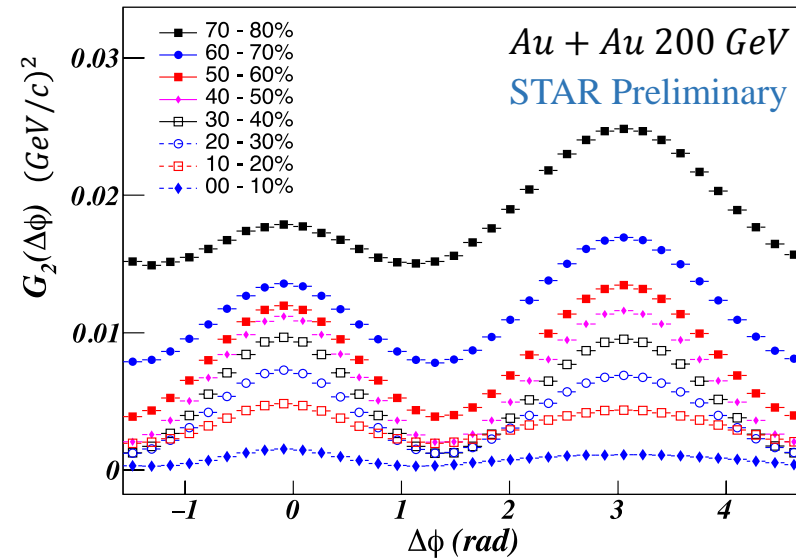
➢ The extracted $a_2^{p_T}$:

✓ Decrease with harmonic order

✓ Models do not describe the data

✓ Event shape dependent

➢ q_2 is separated from particle of interest

$\boldsymbol{\eta < -0.5}$ $\boldsymbol{|\eta| < 0.3}$ $\boldsymbol{\eta > 0.5}$ q_2

$a_n^{p_T}$

STAR Au+Au 200 GeV $|Dh| > 1.0$

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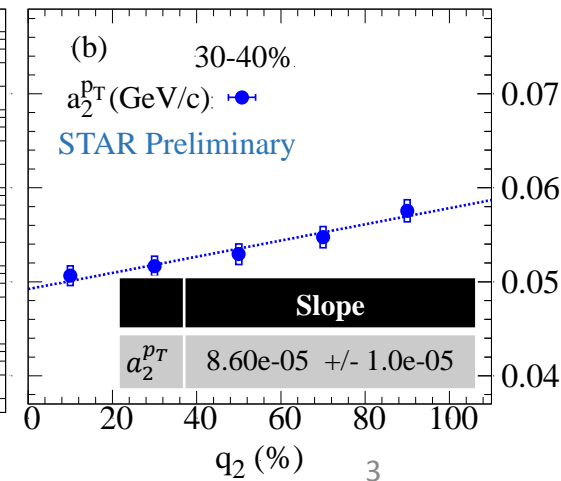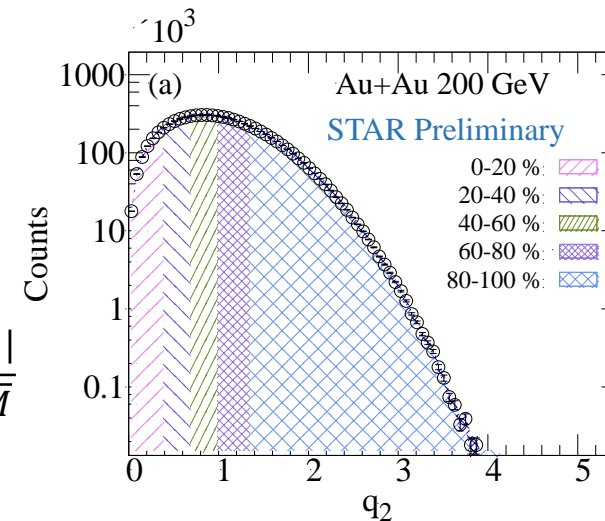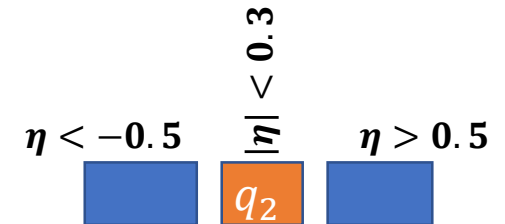
Centrality (%) (GeV/c)

n = 2   = 3   = 4

$$Q_{2,x} = \sum_{i=1}^{M} \cos(2\,\varphi_i)$$

$$Q_{2,y} = \sum_{i=1}^{M} \sin(2\,\varphi_i)$$

$$|Q_2| = \sqrt{Q_{2,x}^2 + Q_{2,y}^2} \qquad q_2 = \frac{|Q_2|}{\sqrt{M}}$$

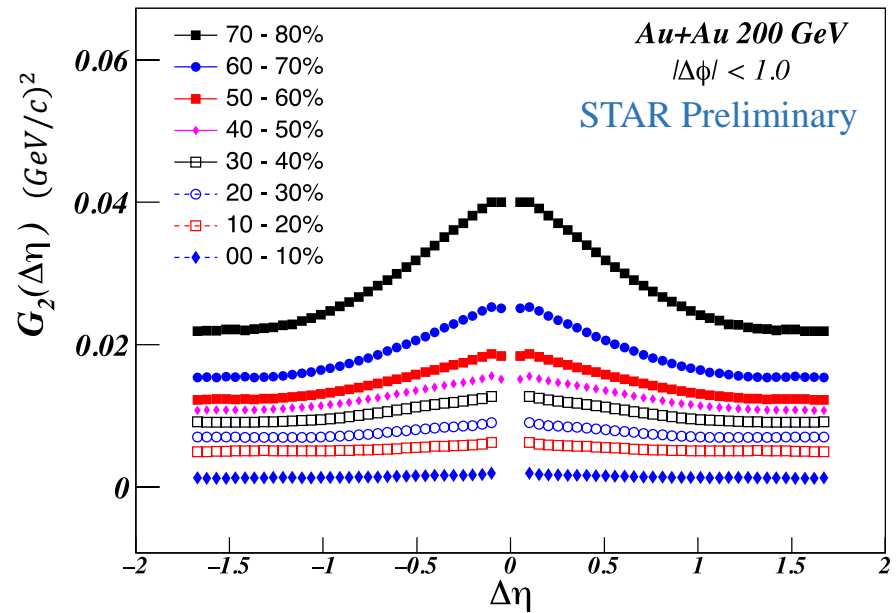(a) Au+Au 200 GeV   STAR Preliminary

0-20 %
20-40 %
40-60 %
60-80 %
80-100 %

Counts 10^3 q_2

(b) 30-40% $a_2^{p_T}$ (GeV/c)   STAR Preliminary

	Slope
$a_2^{p_T}$	8.60e-05 +/- 1.0e-05

q_2 (%)

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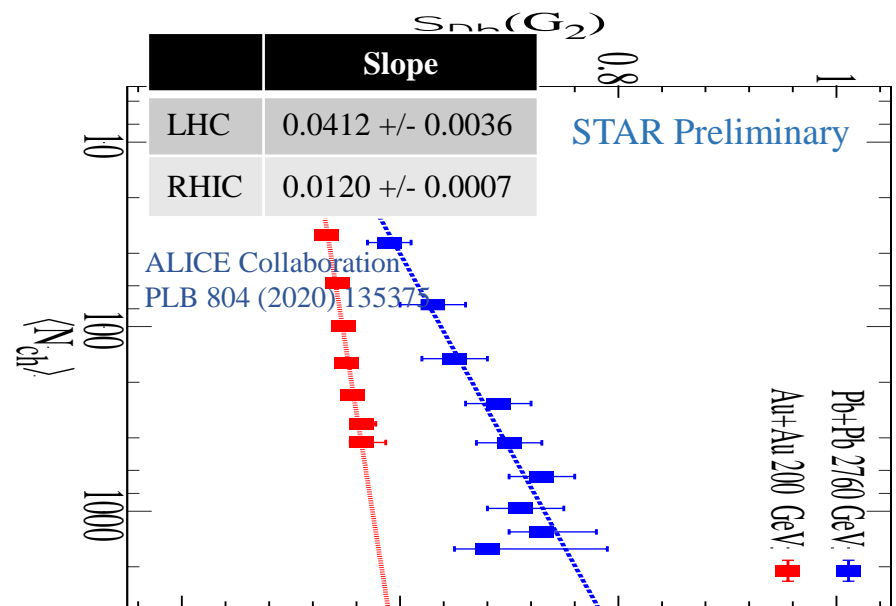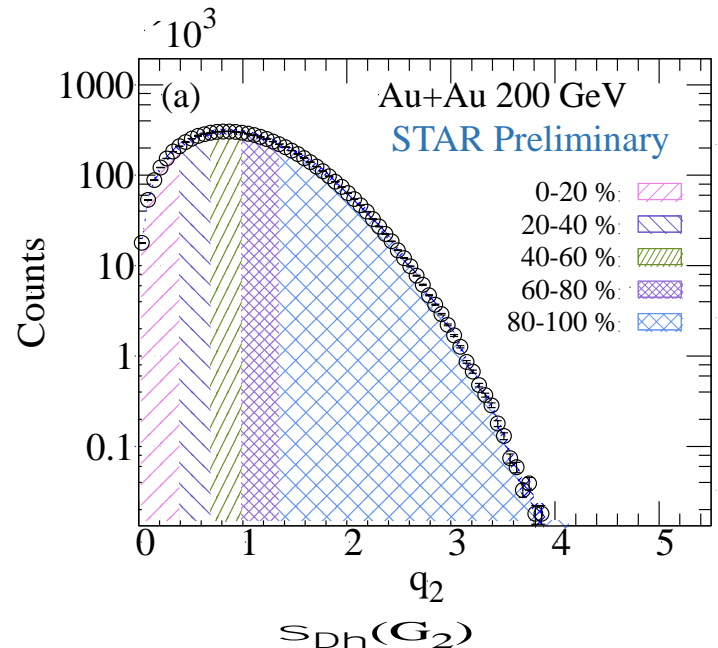
➤ The longitudinal correlations for Au+Au at 200 GeV

$$\sigma_{\Delta\eta}(G_2) = RMS[G_2(\Delta\eta)]$$

➤ The slope of $\sigma_{\Delta\eta}(G_2)$ is softer for RHIC

✓ Smaller η/s for RHIC

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	Slope
LHC	0.0412 +/- 0.0036
RHIC	0.0120 +/- 0.0007

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➤ The $\sigma_{\Delta\eta}(G_2)$ is event shape independent

	Slope
Total	0.0120 +/- 0.0007
10 %	0.0119 +/- 0.0009
90 %	0.0110 +/- 0.0012

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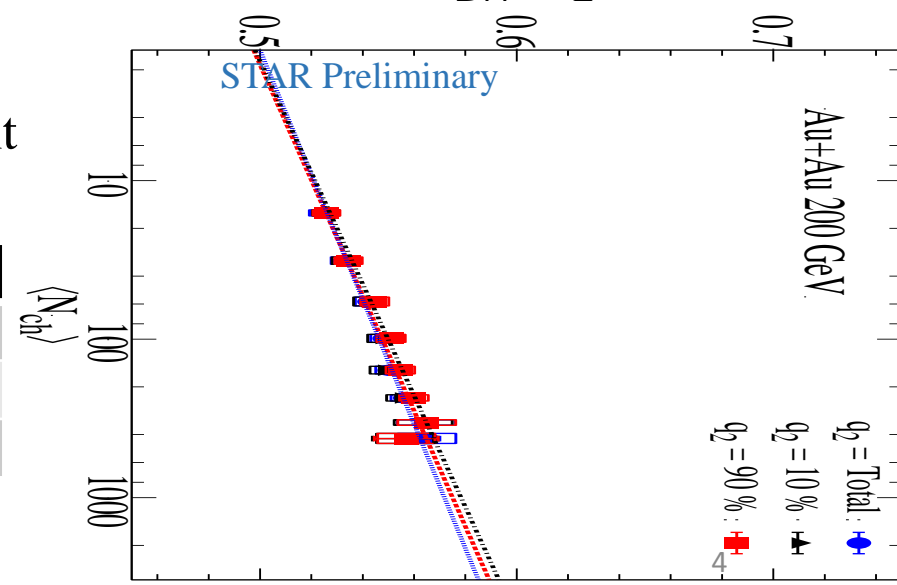
➢ Conclusions

We revisited the $p_T - p_T$ 2-P correlation analysis for Au+Au at 200 GeV using a new approach by excluding self-correlations and we found that;

➢ The extracted $a_2^{p_T}$:
   ✓ Decrease with harmonic order
   ✓ Models don't describe the $a_2^{p_T}$ data
   ✓ Event shape dependent

➢ The slope of $\sigma_{\Delta\eta}(G_2)$ vs multiplicity is:
   ✓ Softer for RHIC (indicating smaller η/s for RHIC) than LHC
   ✓ Event shape independent

These comparisons are reflecting the efficacy of the $G2(\Delta\eta,\Delta\varphi)$ correlator to differentiate among theoretical models as well as to constrain the η/s.

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➤ The p_T 2-P correlator is given as:

$$G_2\left(\eta_1, \varphi_1, \eta_2, \varphi_2\right) = \frac{\left\langle \sum\limits_{i}^{n_1} \sum\limits_{j \neq i}^{n_2} p_{T,i} p_{T,j} \right\rangle}{\langle n_1 \rangle \langle n_2 \rangle}$$
$$- \langle p_{T,1} \rangle_{\eta_1, \varphi_1} \langle p_{T,2} \rangle_{\eta_2, \varphi_2}$$

➤ The first term can be given as:

$$\frac{\left\langle \sum\limits_{i}^{n_1} \sum\limits_{j \neq i}^{n_2} p_{T,i}\, p_{T,j} \right\rangle}{\langle n_1 \rangle \langle n_2 \rangle} = \frac{\left\langle \sum\limits_{i}^{n_1} \sum\limits_{j \neq i}^{n_2} p_{T,i}\, p_{T,j} \right\rangle}{\left\langle \sum\limits_{i}^{n_1} \sum\limits_{j \neq i}^{n_2} n_i\, n_j \right\rangle} r_{1,2}, \qquad \longrightarrow \qquad r_{1,2} = \frac{\left\langle \sum\limits_{i}^{n_1} \sum\limits_{j \neq i}^{n_2} n_i\, n_j \right\rangle}{\langle n_1 \rangle \langle n_2 \rangle}.$$

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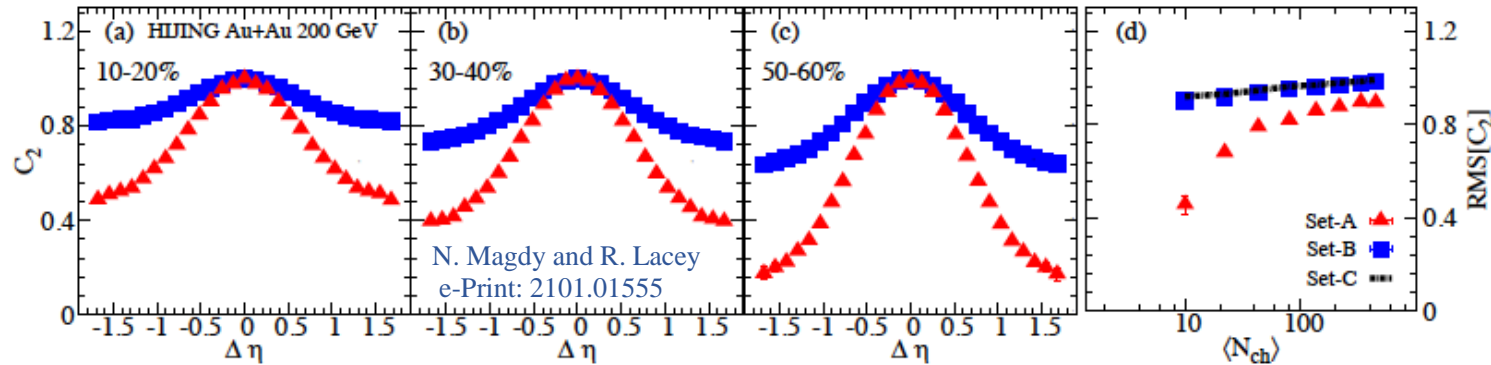
Comparison of the $C_2(\Delta\eta)$ correlators ($|\Delta\varphi| < 1$) obtained from 10-20%, 30-40% and 50-60% central HIJING events for Au+Au collisions at 200 GeV.

(i)   Set-A: with centrality defined using all charged particles in an event,
(ii) Set-B: with centrality defined using random sampling of charged particles in an event
(iii) Set-C: with centrality defined using the impact parameter distribution.

➤ Excluding the POI from the collision centrality definition, serves to reduce the possible self-correlations.