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Constraining nuclear quadrupole deformation in relativistic heavy-ion collisions from a multiphase transport model

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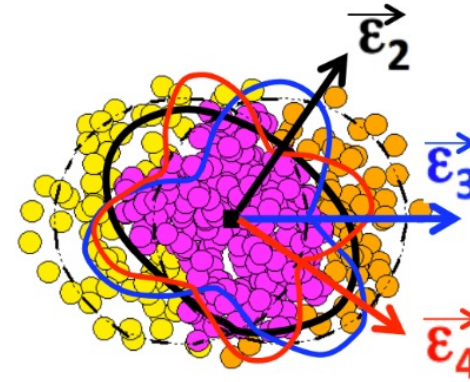
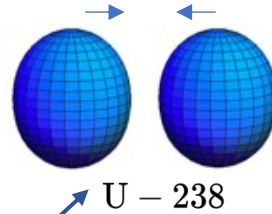


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Connecting the initial state to the nuclear geometry

A. Gorgen, *Tech. Rep. 051, 019(2015)*

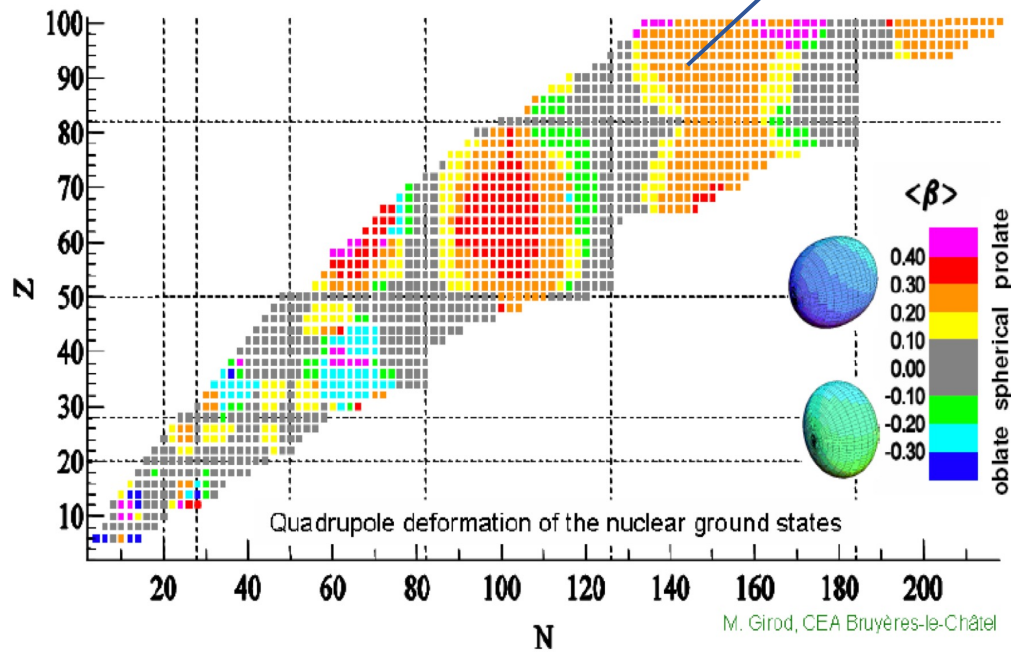
$$\rho(r, \theta) = \frac{\rho_0}{1 + e^{(r-R_0(1+\beta_2 Y_{20}(\theta)))/a}}$$



$$\vec{\epsilon}_n \equiv \epsilon_n e^{in\Phi_n^*} \equiv -\frac{\langle r^n e^{in\phi} \rangle}{\langle r^n \rangle}$$

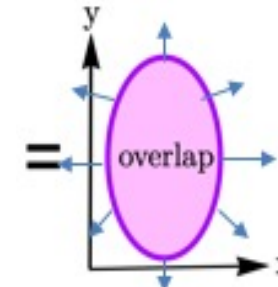
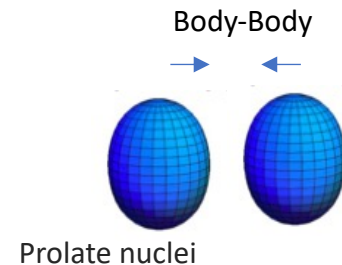
Hydro-response

$$v_n \propto \epsilon_n, n = 2, 3$$



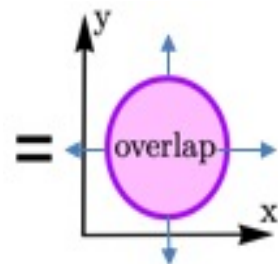
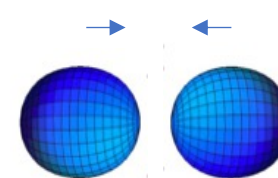
Hartree-Fock-Bogolyubov (Gogny D1S effective interaction)

Shape and size fluctuation affects v_n and $\langle p_T \rangle$



large R , small $\langle p_T \rangle$
large ϵ_2

Tip-Tip



small R , large $\langle p_T \rangle$
small ϵ_2

Ultra-central collisions

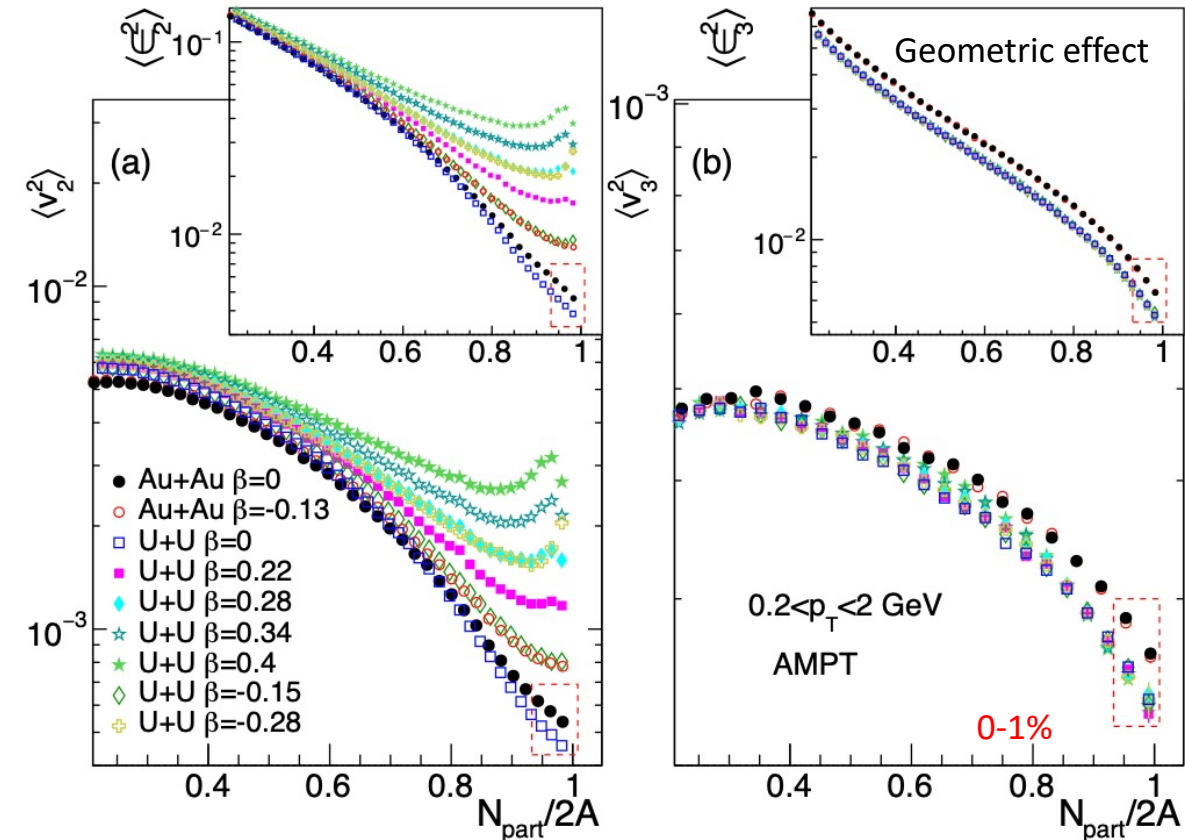
$$\left\langle \epsilon_n^2 \frac{1}{R} \right\rangle \rightarrow \langle v_n^2 p_T \rangle$$

Study the deformation β_2 effect on $p(v_n)$ and $p(v_n, [p_T])$ in heavy ion collisions.

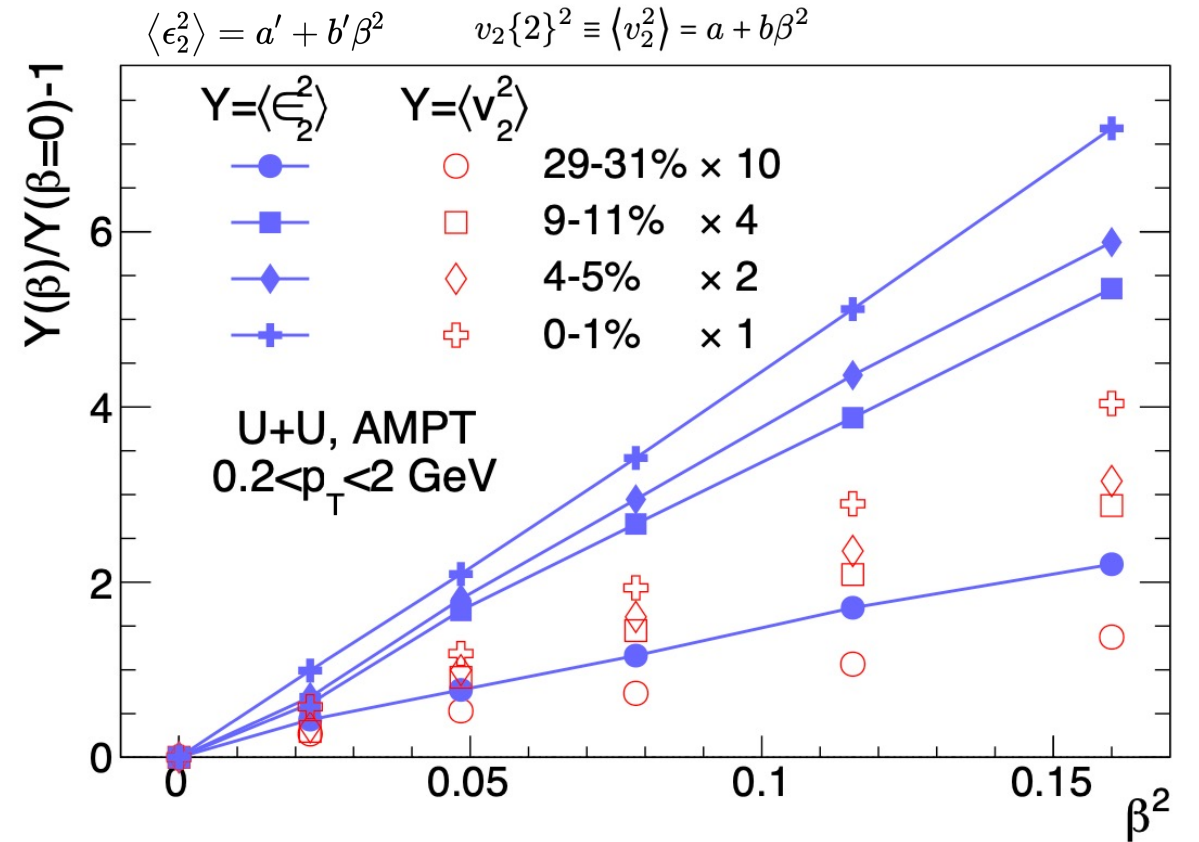
J. E. Bernhard et al., *Nature Physics* 15, 1113(2019); F.G. Gardim et al., *arXiv:2002.07008v1*;

G. Giacalone, *PRC* 102, 024901(2020); W. Broniowski et al., *PRC* 80, 051902(R)(2009).

Constrain the β_2 using $p(v_n)$



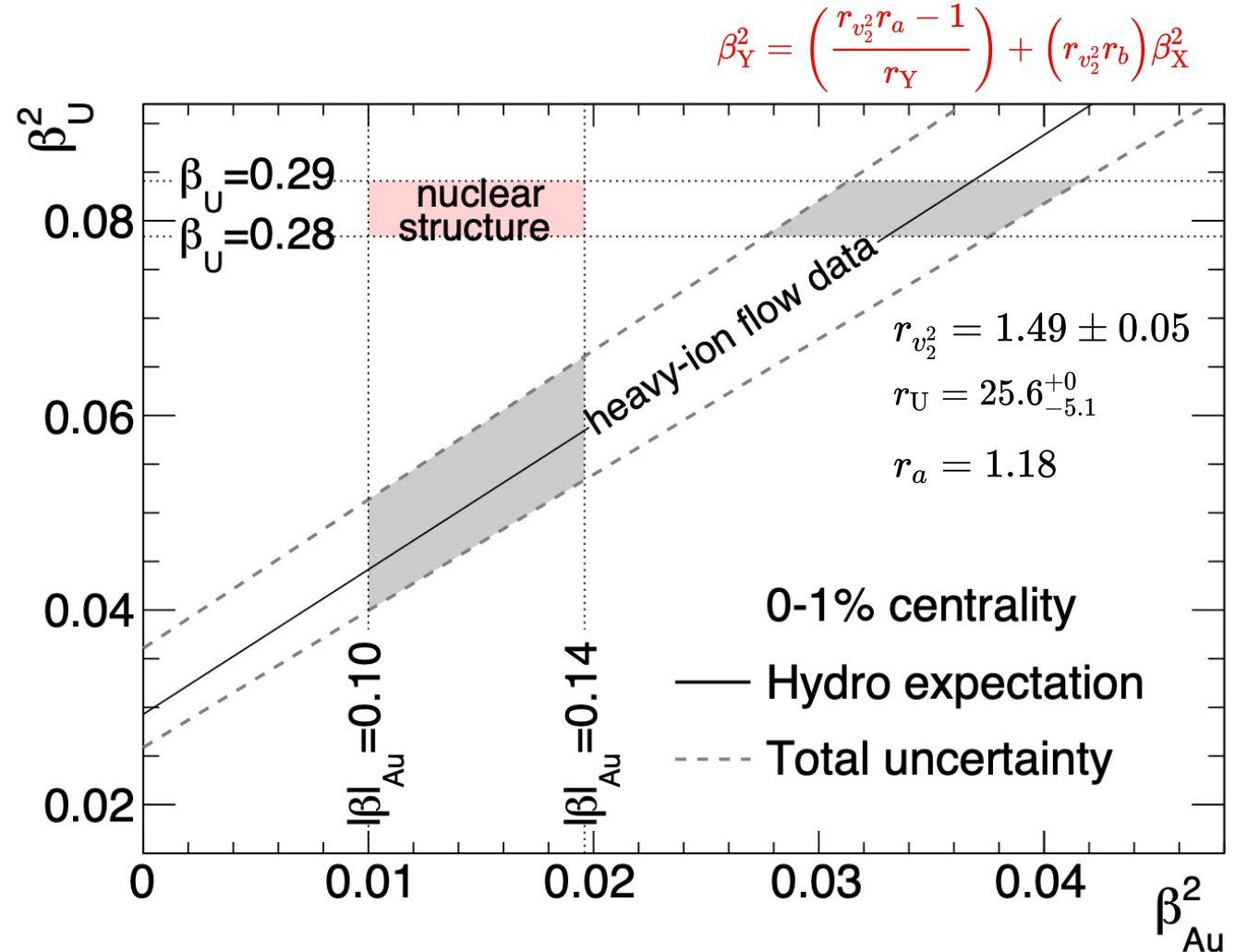
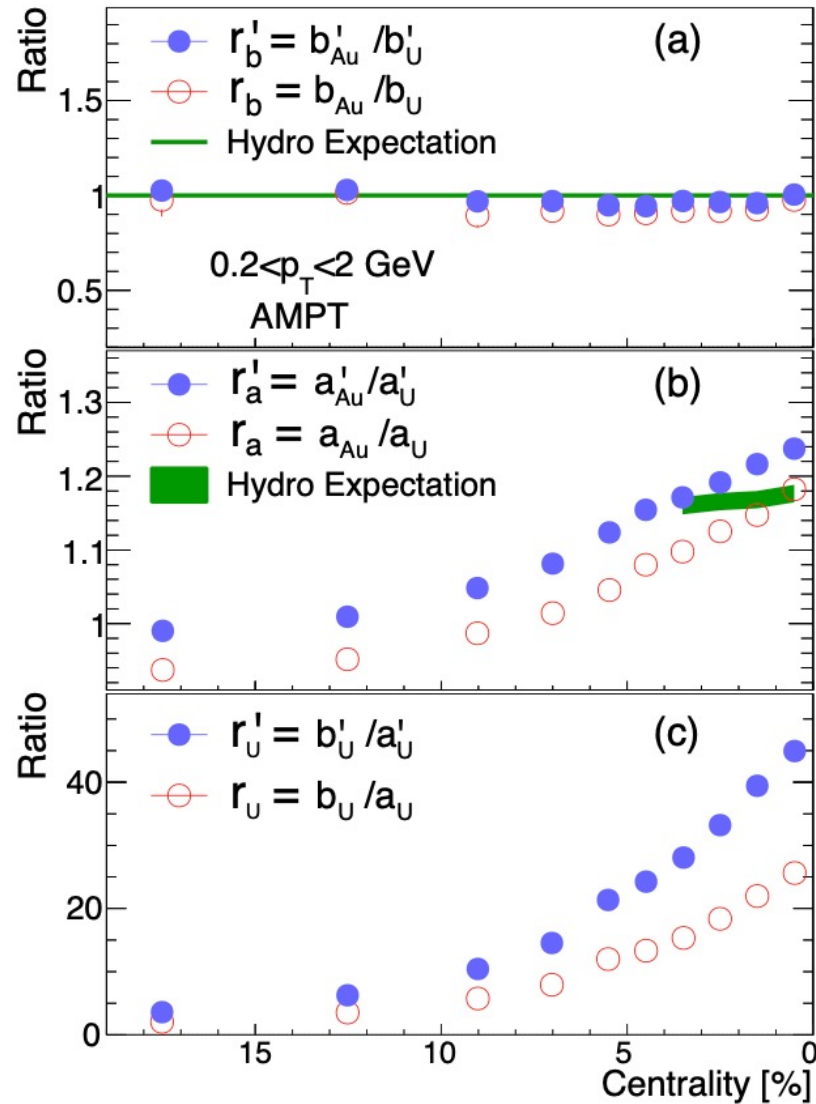
- $\langle v_2^2 \rangle$ strongly depends β_2 in central collisions.
- $\langle v_3^2 \rangle$ is independent of β_2 .



- $\langle v_2^2 \rangle$ and $\langle \epsilon_2^2 \rangle$ are indeed linear in β_2^2 .

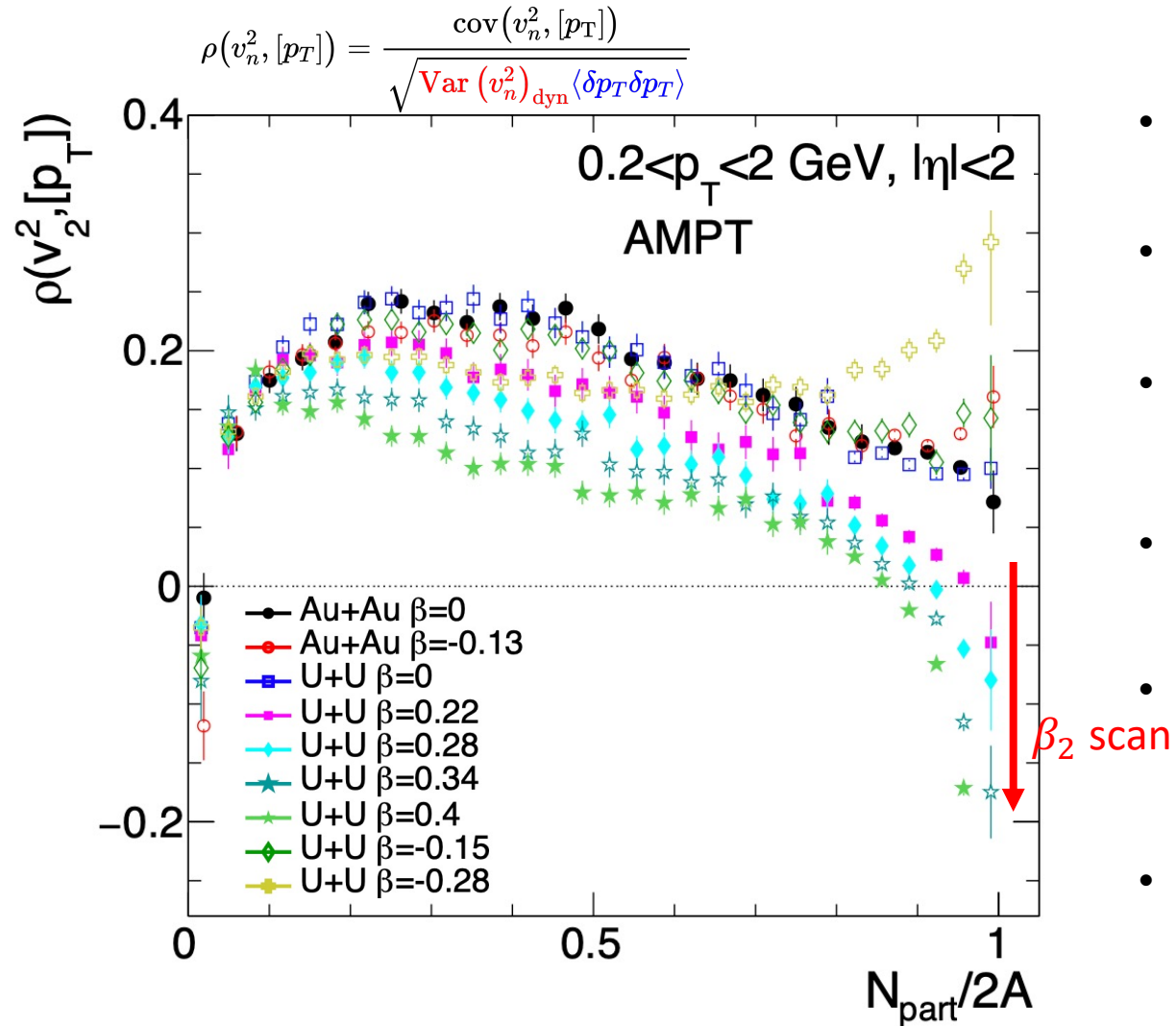
Clear geometric effect and the linear β_2 dependence.

Constrain the β_2 using $p(v_n)$



Intrinsic connection between the phenomenology of heavy-ion collisions and the structure of the atomic nuclei.

Constrain the β_2 using $\rho(v_n, [p_T])$



- v_2 is an even function of β_2 , while $\rho(v_2^2, [p_T])$ isn't.
- Deformation influence collisions from mid-central to central.
- Further confirm the deformation effect with TRENTo and IP-Glasma+MUSIC+UrQMD calculations.
- Comparison with STAR data in future
[STAR talk by Shengli Huang, July 15, 09:10-09:30](#)
- Double check the volume fluctuations (centrality bias) effect:
UCC region is a sweet spot.
- Non-flow are negligible in UCC region in HIJING and PYTHIA study.

New way to constrain β_2 of uranium at a much shorter time scale ($\sim 10^{-23}$ s) in heavy-ion collisions.

TRENTo: G. Giacalone [PRC102, 024901\(2020\)](#), [PRL124, 202301\(2020\)](#)

IP-Glasma+MUSIC+UrQMD: B. Schenke, C. Shen, P. Tribedy, [PRC102, 044905\(2020\)](#), [2102.11189](#)

C.J. Zhang et al., [arXiv:2102.05200v1](#); S.H. Lim and J.L. Nagle, [PRC103, 064906\(2021\)](#); G. Aad et al. (ATLAS), [EPJC79, 985\(2019\)](#)

Conclusions and Outlooks

1. Numerically calculate the intrinsic connection between the phenomenology heavy-ion collisions and the structure of atomic nuclei:
 - Clear geometric effect and the linear β_2 dependence in central collisions.
 - $\langle v_2^2 \rangle$ strongly depends β_2 in central collisions. $\langle v_3^2 \rangle$ is independent of β_2 .
 - $\langle v_2^2 \rangle$ and $\langle \epsilon_2^2 \rangle$ are indeed linear in β_2^2 .
2. AMPT β_2 scan could qualitatively describe the STAR Preliminary $\rho(v_2^2, [p_T])$ results.
3. A new experimental test to study nuclear shape in heavy-ion collisions.
 - UCC region is an sweet spot.
4. Decipher the puzzle of nuclear deformation in Ru and Zr in future.

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