

Collectivity in Small Systems: Experiment

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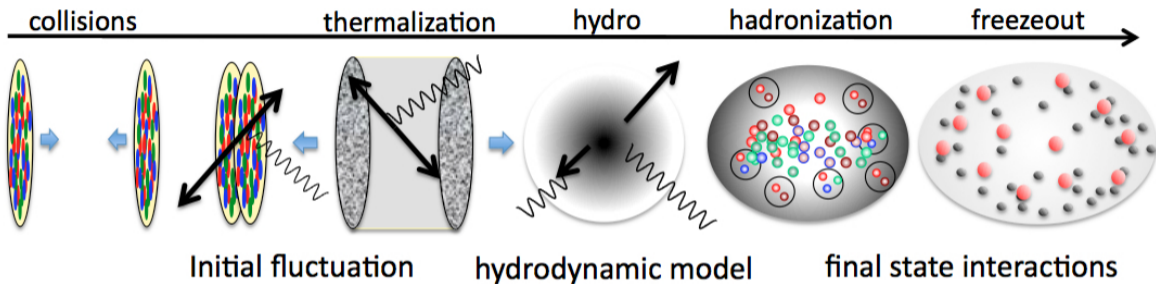
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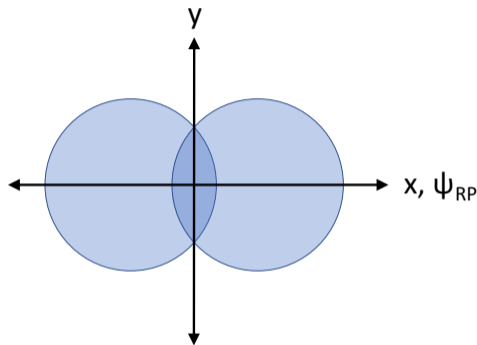
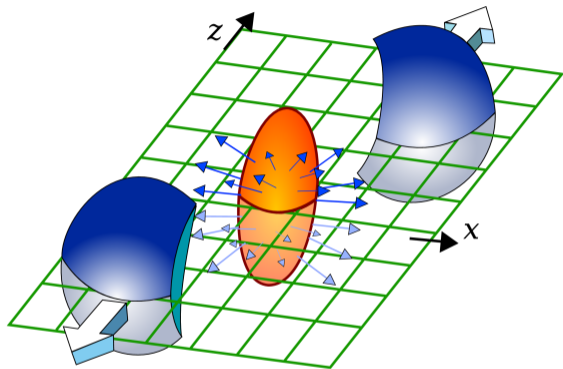


Standard model of heavy ion physics



Based on developments in hydro theory over the last few years, we might replace “thermalization” with “hydrodynamization”

Azimuthal anisotropy measurements



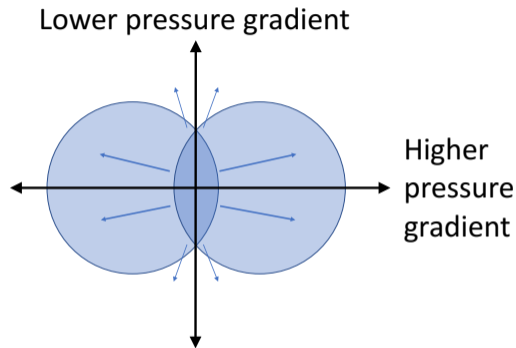
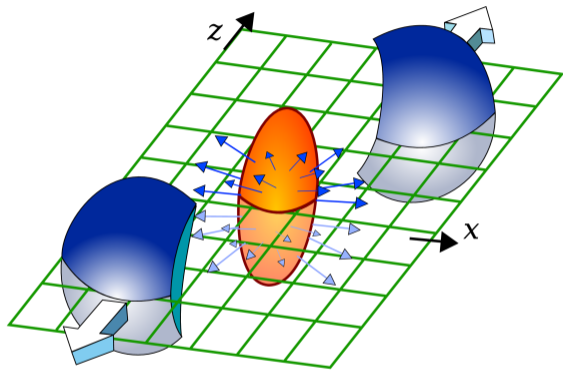
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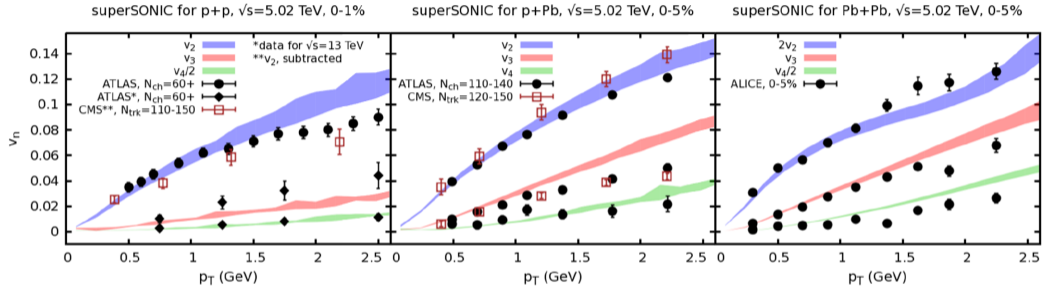


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Weller & Romatschke, Phys. Lett. B 774, 351 (2017)

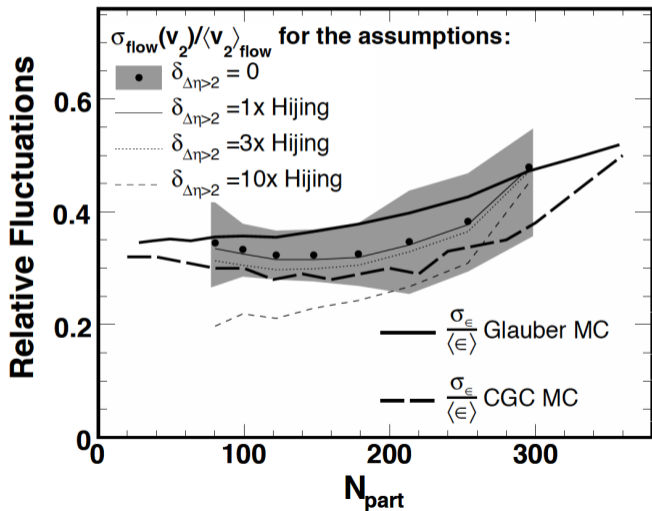


- Hydrodynamics provides simultaneous description of v_2 , v_3 , v_4 in $p+p$, $p+Pb$, $Pb+Pb$

$$\frac{dN}{d\varphi} \propto \dots + 2v_2 \cos 2\varphi + 2v_3 \cos 3\varphi + 2v_4 \cos 4\varphi + \dots$$

Fluctuations in large systems

PHOBOS, Phys. Rev. C 81, 034915 (2010)



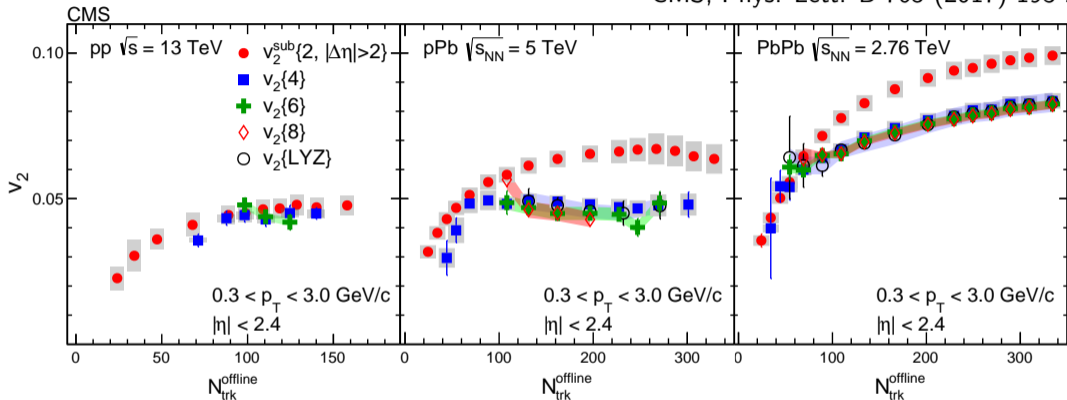
Fluctuations should also be translated, so measure $\sigma_{v_2}/\langle v_2 \rangle$

$$|\eta| < 1$$

Generally good agreement with models of initial geometry

Multiparticle Correlations

CMS, Phys. Lett. B 765 (2017) 193-220



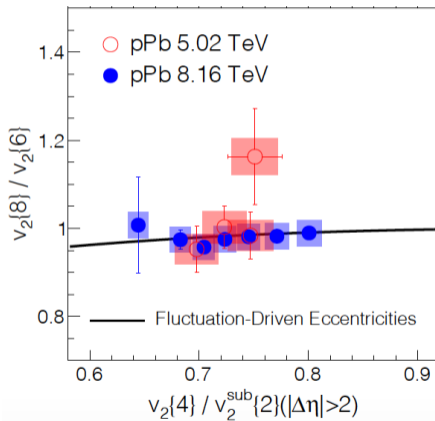
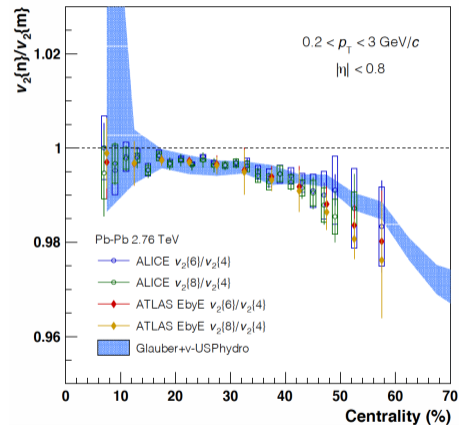
- Fluctuations are very important and manifest in multiparticle correlations

$$v_2\{2, |\Delta\eta| > 2\} = \sqrt{v_2^2 + \sigma^2}, \quad v_2\{4\} \approx v_2\{6\} \approx v_2\{8\} \approx \sqrt{v_2^2 - \sigma^2}$$

Multiparticle Correlations

ALICE, JHEP 1807, 103 (2018)

CMS, Phys. Rev. C 101, 014912 (2020)



Ratios ($v_n\{j\}/v_n\{k\}$) \rightarrow insights into fluctuations via probability dist $P(v_n)$

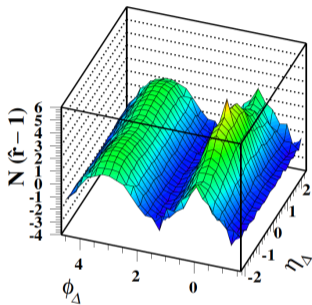
p +Pb data exhibit expected patterns based on geometry

The ridge is a signature of flow

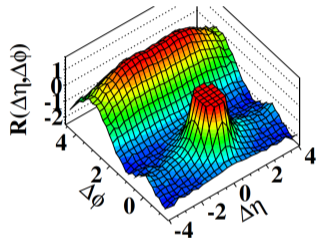
STAR, PRC 73, 064907 (2006)

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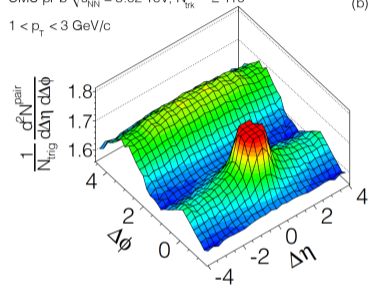


(d) CMS $N \geq 110$, $1.0 \text{ GeV}/c < p_T < 3.0 \text{ GeV}/c$



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

$1 < p_T < 3 \text{ GeV}/c$



Extended structure away from near-side jet peak interpreted as collective effect due to presence of QGP

- First discovered by STAR in Au+Au in 2004 (PRC 73, 064907 (2006) and PRL 95, 152301 (2005))
- Realized by STAR to be flow in 2009 (PRL 105, 022301 (2010))
- First found in small systems by CMS (JHEP 1009, 091 (2010) and PLB 718, 795 (2013))

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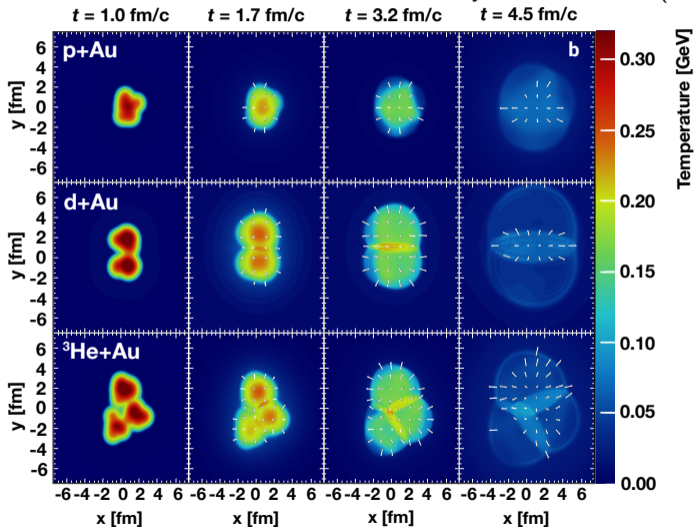
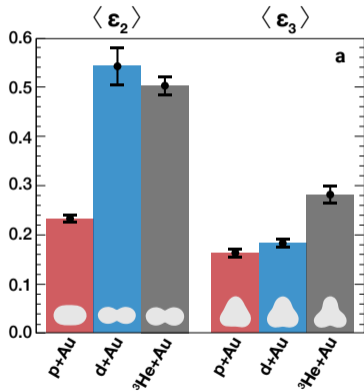
J. L. Nagle, A. Adare, S. Beckman, T. Koblesky, J. Orjuela Koop, D. McGlinchey, P. Romatschke, J. Carlson, J. E. Lynn, and M. McCumber

Phys. Rev. Lett. **113**, 112301 – Published 12 September 2014

- Collective motion translates initial geometry into final state distributions
- To determine whether small systems exhibit collectivity, we can adjust the geometry and compare across systems
- We can also test predictions of hydrodynamics with a QGP phase

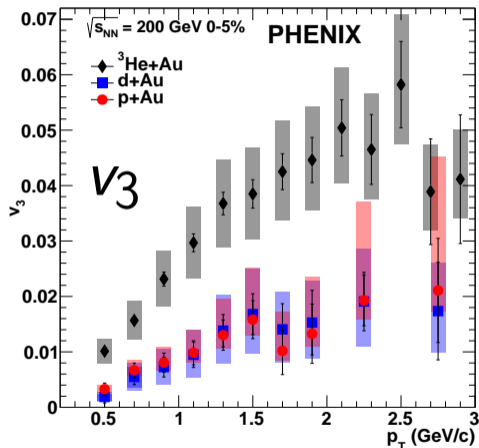
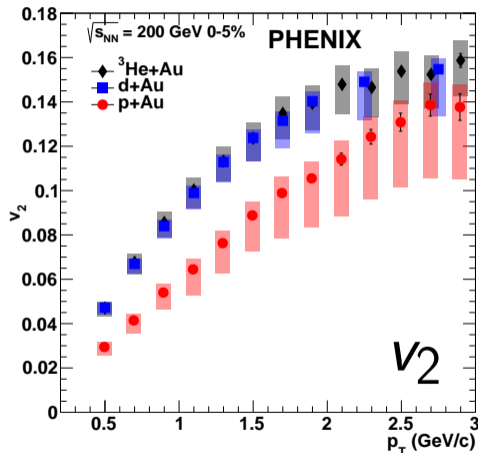
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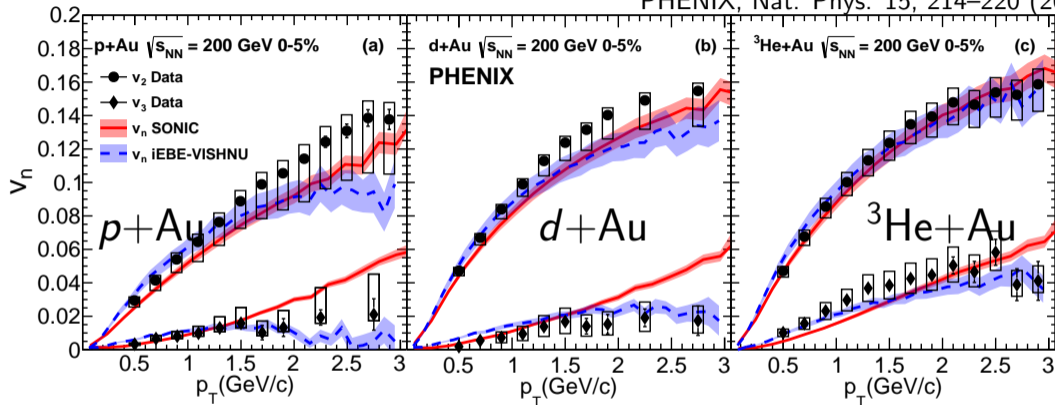
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- v_2 and v_3 ordering matches ε_2 and ε_3 ordering in all three systems
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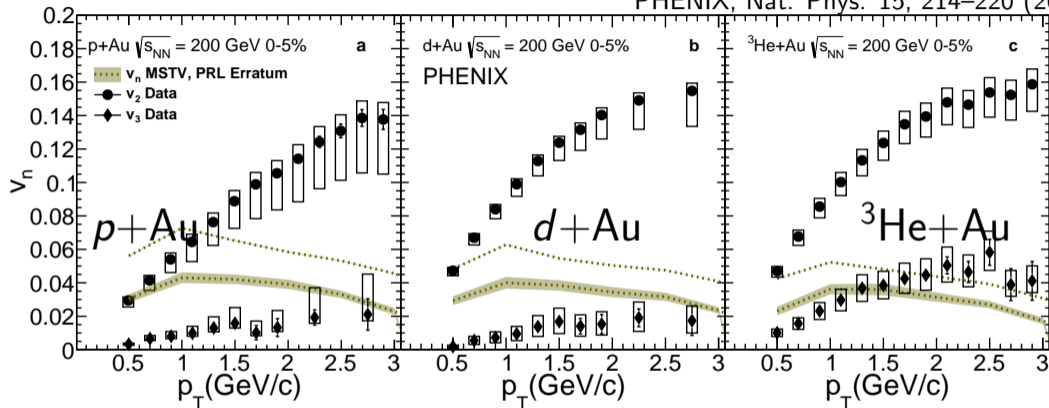
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- v_2 and v_3 vs p_T predicted or described very well by hydrodynamics in all three systems
 - All predicted (except v_2 in $d+Au$) in J.L. Nagle et al, PRL 113, 112301 (2014)
 - v_3 in $p+Au$ and $d+Au$ predicted in C. Shen et al, PRC 95, 014906 (2017)

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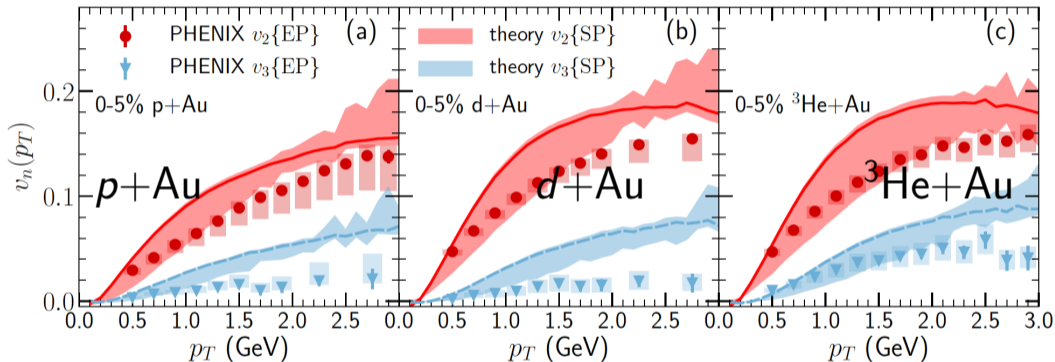
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- Initial state effects alone do not describe the data
—Phys. Rev. Lett. 123, 039901 (Erratum) (2019)

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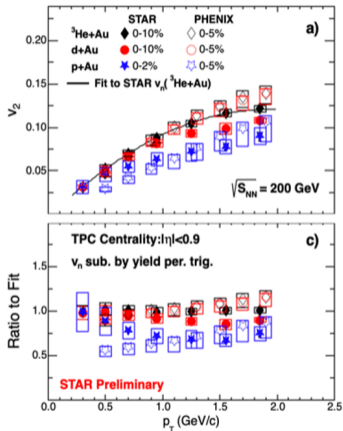
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- Important to include initial state effects
—B. Schenke et al, Phys. Lett. B 803, 135322 (2020)

Comparisons with STAR

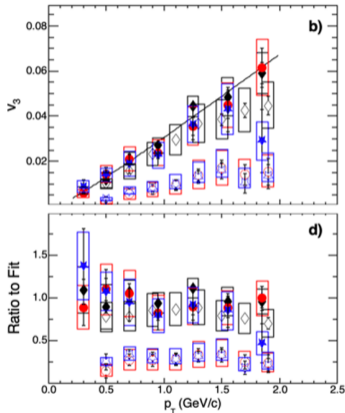
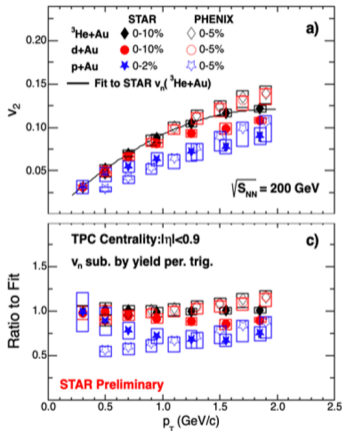
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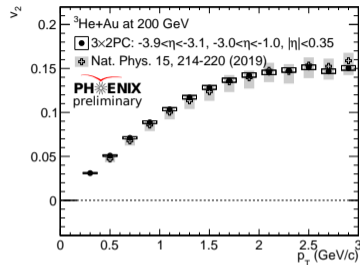
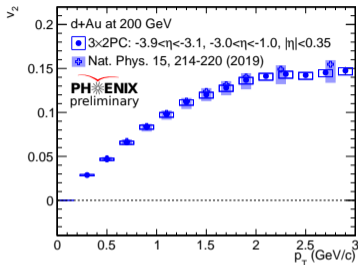
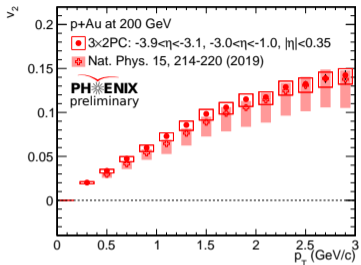


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Large discrepancy between STAR and PHENIX for v_3

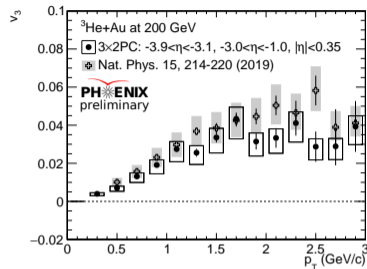
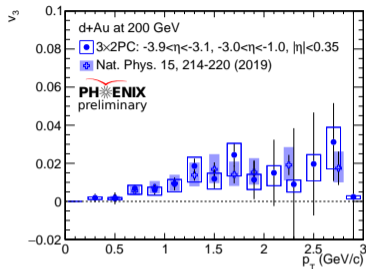
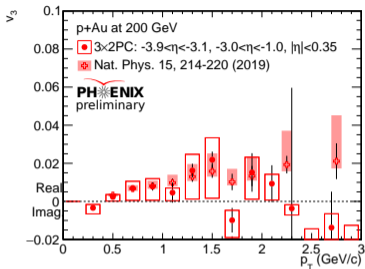
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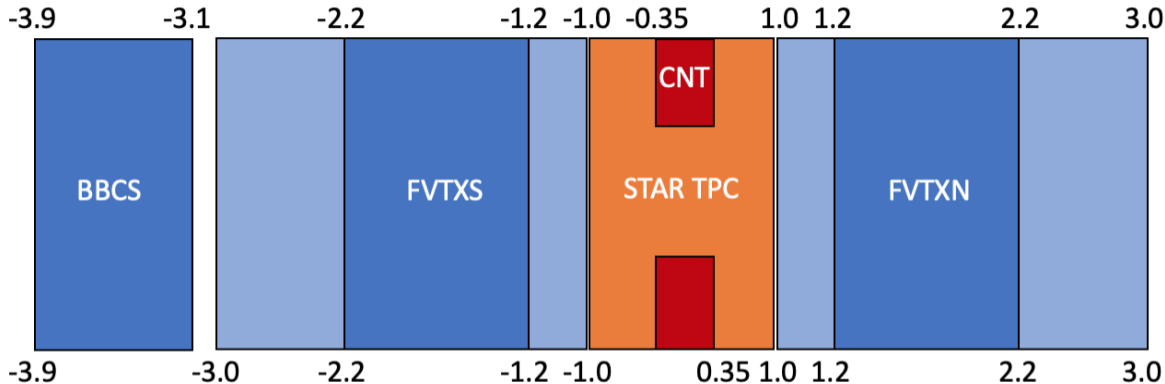
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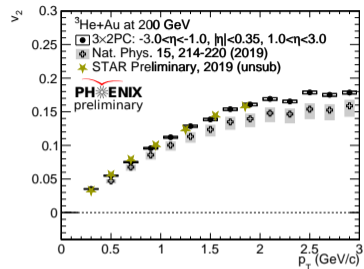
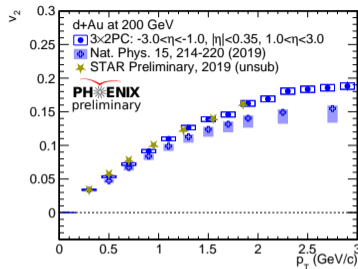
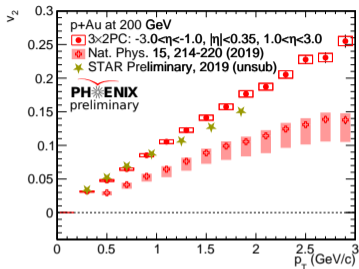


- The Nature Physics paper uses the BBCS-FVTXS-CNT detector combination
—This is very different from the STAR analysis
- We can try to use FVTXS-CNT-FVTXN detector combination to better match STAR
—Closer, and “balanced” between forward and backward, *but still different*

More STAR and PHENIX data comparisons

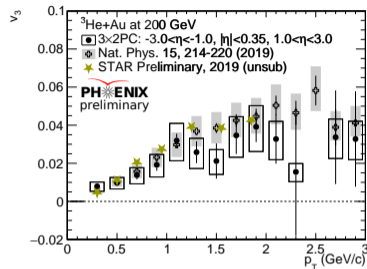
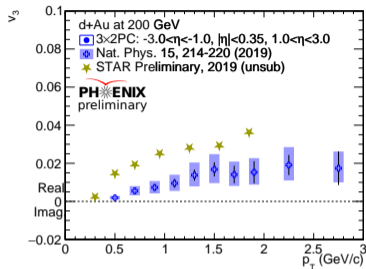
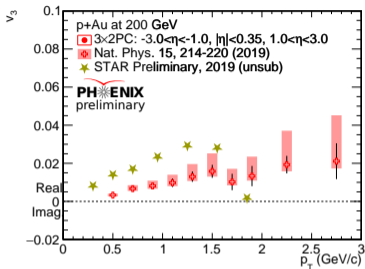
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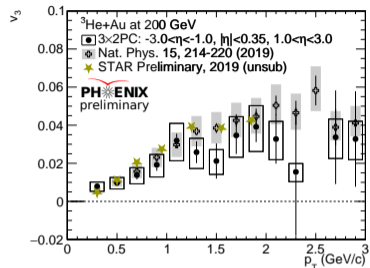
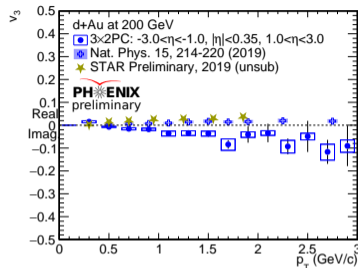
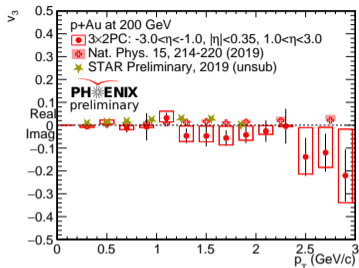
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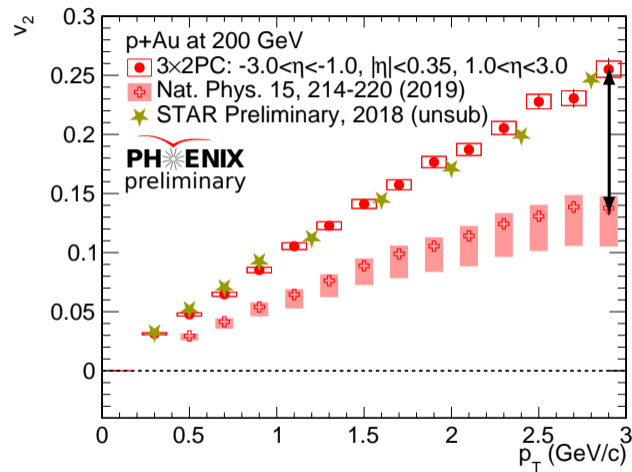
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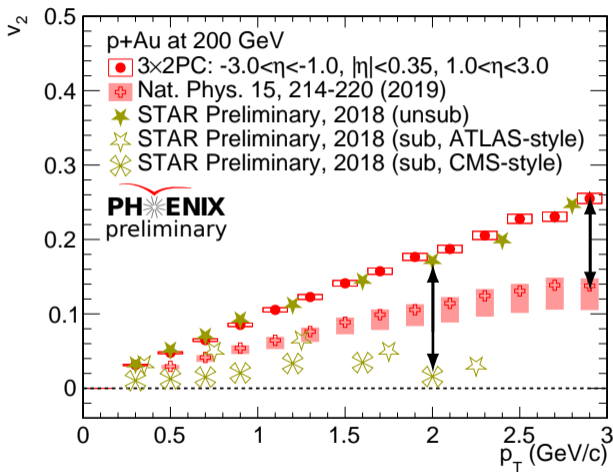
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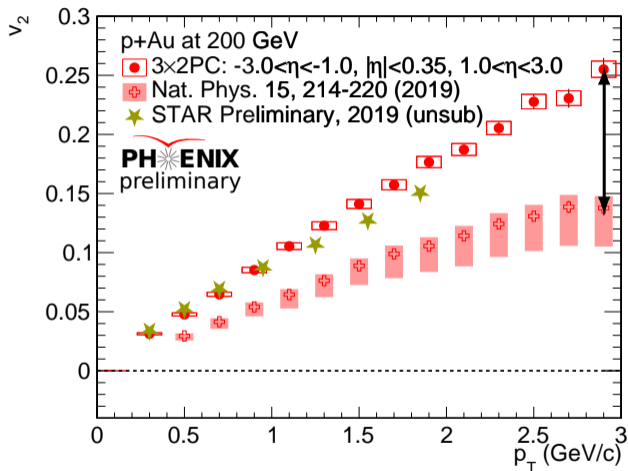
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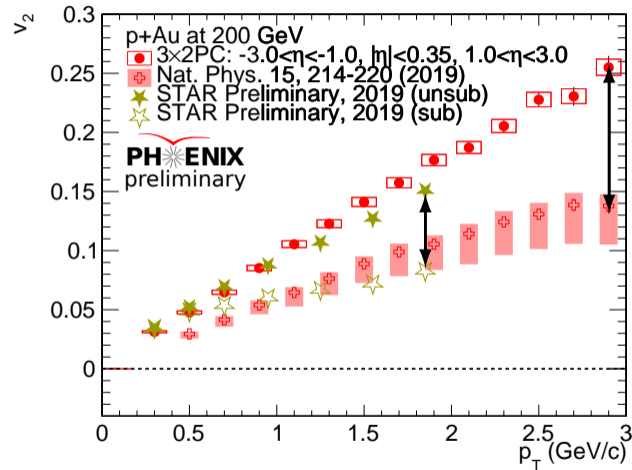
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- STAR applies non-flow subtraction procedure
- One needs to be careful about the risk of over-subtraction methods—S. Lim et al, Phys. Rev. C 100, 024908 (2019)

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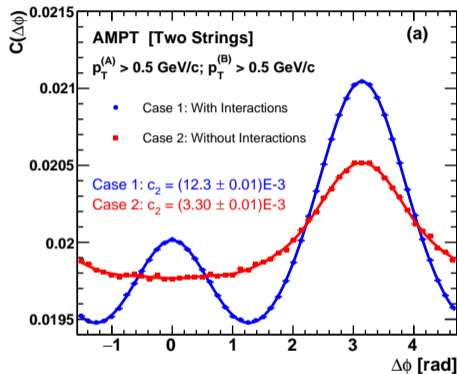
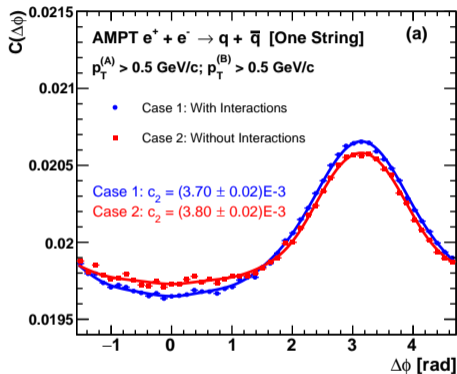


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- Considerable improvement in nonflow subtraction in STAR 2019 preliminary, reasonable agreement with PHENIX

How about *extremely* small systems?

Extremely small systems in AMPT

J.L. Nagle et al, Phys. Rev. C 97, 024909 (2018)



- A single color string ($e^+ + e^-$ collisions) shows no sign of collectivity
- Two color strings shows collectivity
 - In AMPT, $p + p$ has two strings and $p/d/{}^3\text{He} + \text{Au}$ have more

Extremely small systems at LEP

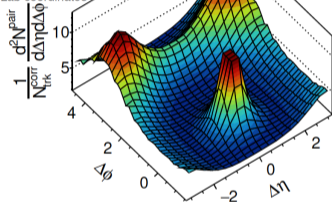
Badea et al, Phys. Rev. Lett. 123, 212002 (2019)

ALEPH $e^+e^- \rightarrow$ hadrons, $\sqrt{s} = 91\text{ GeV}$

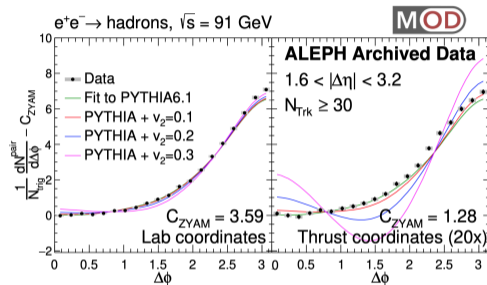
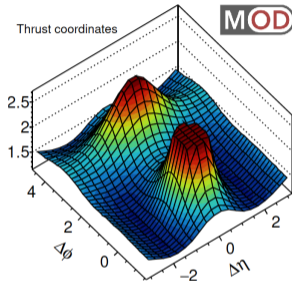
$N_{\text{Trk}} \geq 30$, $|\cos(\theta_{\text{lab}})| < 0.94$

$p_{\text{Tr}}^{\text{lab}} > 0.2\text{ GeV}$

Lab coordinates



Thrust coordinates



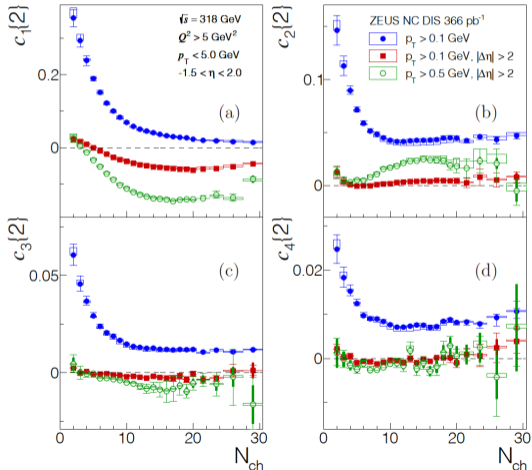
No apparent collectivity in ALEPH e^+e^- data

- Brought up as a possibility in e.g. P. Romatschke, Eur. Phys. J. C 77, 21 (2017)
- Not expected in parton escape picture (see previous slide)
- Not expected (below $\sqrt{s} \approx 7\text{ TeV}$) in e.g. P. Castorina et al, arXiv:2011.06966

Extremely small systems at HERA and the EIC

Abt et al, JHEP 04, 070 (2020)

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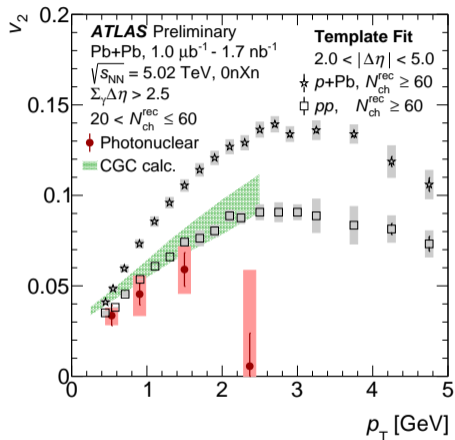
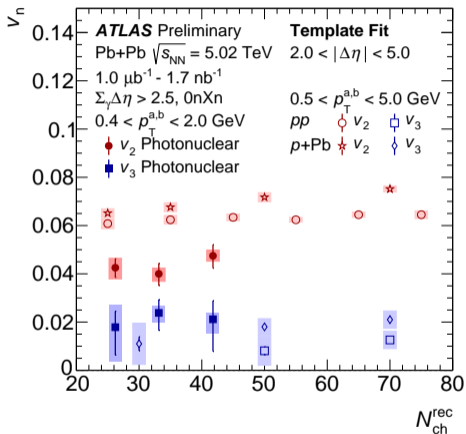
“The correlations observed here do not indicate the kind of collective behaviour recently observed at the highest RHIC and LHC energies in high-multiplicity hadronic collisions.”

No collectivity in $e+p$ collisions at HERA \rightarrow
Not likely to find collectivity in $e+p$ collisions at EIC
But what about $e+A$ collisions?

Considerable interest in this topic within EIC community (see talks by R. Milner, E. Ferreiro, others...)

Extremely small systems at the LHC

ATLAS Preliminary, B. Seidlitz (this conference)



- Observation of collectivity in photonuclear collisions
- Collective picture: photon fluctuates into a vector meson (e.g. ρ), not so different from $p+Pb$
- Initial state picture: CGC calculation in good agreement, further investigation needed

Brief summary and outlook

- Long term understanding of collective and hydrodynamical behavior of heavy ion data
- Geometry and fluctuations play essential roles in observables
- PHENIX results on small systems geometry scan fully confirmed
 - Apparent STAR-PHENIX discrepancy must be understood in terms of physics
 - Better understanding of longitudinal dynamics is essential
- Apparent (near-) universality of collectivity in hadronic collisions
 - Collectivity observed in photonuclear collisions (which may be purely hadronic)
- Apparent absence of collectivity in leptonic and semi-leptonic collisions
- Possibility for future observation of collectivity in (semi-) leptonic collisions?
 - Both interest and opportunity in $e+A$ collisions at the EIC
 - Far-future e^+e^- colliders *might* reach necessary conditions for collectivity

Extra material