

Anomalous transport in the Quark Gluon Plasma

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Focus: Experimental measurement of anomalous transport
(excellent theory presentations given in this series - eg. Landsteiner +)

Outline

- *Introduction*
 - ✓ Anomalous transport
- **Observables for anomalous transport**
 - ✓ Dipole charge separation
 - ✓ Quadrupole charge separation
- **Correlator response and sensitivity**
 - ✓ Background-only models
 - ✓ Background + signal models
- **Experimental Results**
 - ✓ Dipole
 - ✓ Quadrupole?
- *Epilogue*

N. Magdy, et. al, e-Print: [2003.02396](#)

N. Magdy, et. al, e-Print: [2002.07934](#)

N. Magdy, Phys.Rev.C 98 (2018) 6, 061902

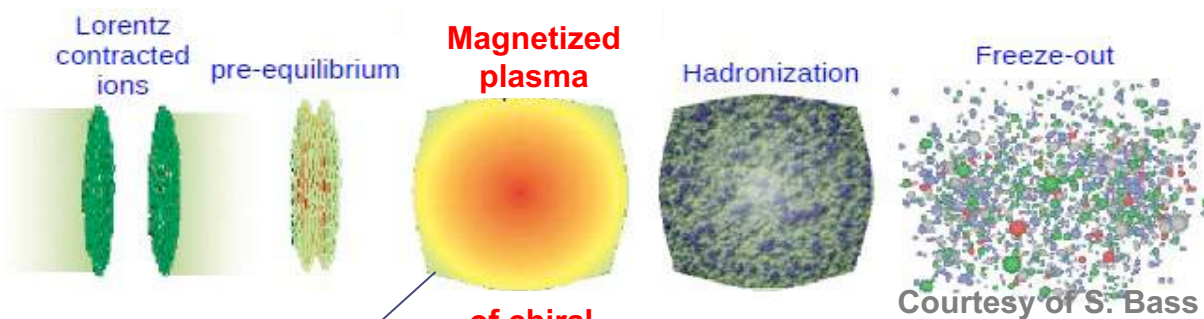
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STAR Collaboration, e-Print: [2006.04251](#)

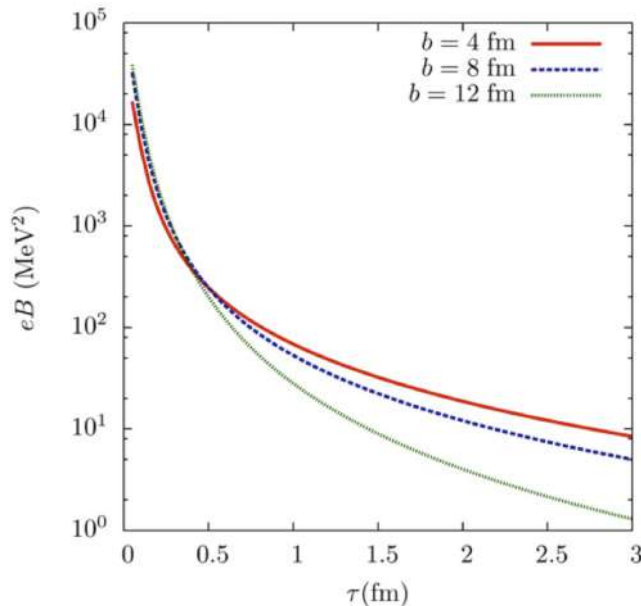
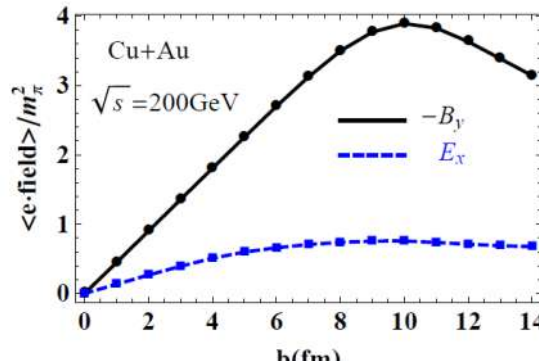
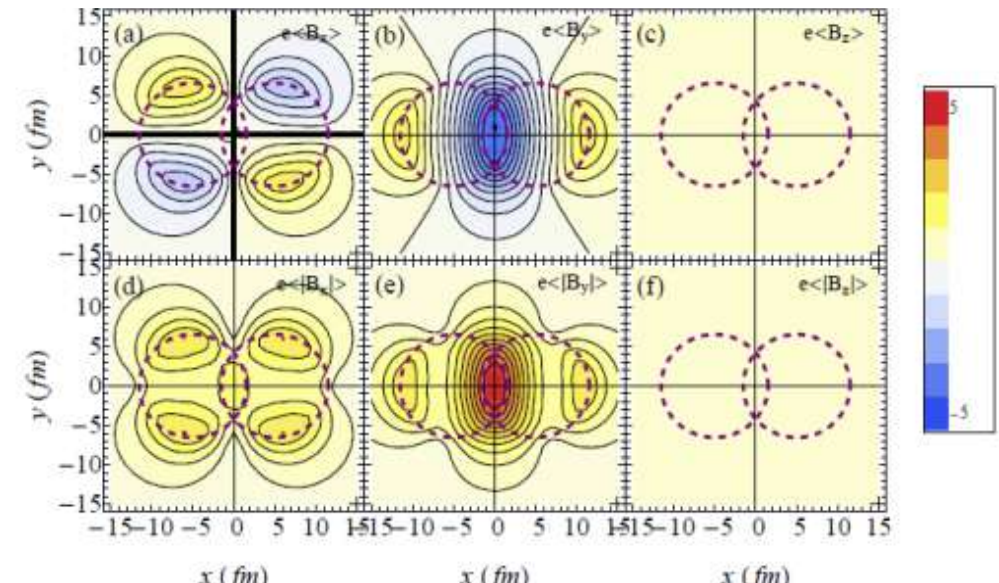
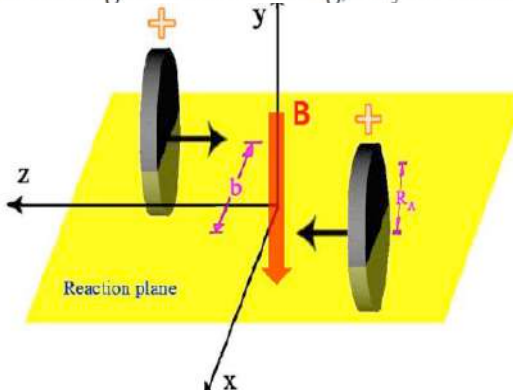
Essential takeaway

Precision measurements with a new charge-sensitive correlator, indicates anomalous transport in the quark gluon plasma created in RHIC collisions

Magnetized QGP production



W. T. Deng and X. G. Huang, Phys. Rev. C 85, 044907



D. Kharzeev, L. McLerran and H. Warringa, Nuclear Physics A 803, 227 (2008)

Topology-changing transitions can lead to a chiral imbalance characterized by (μ_A)

❖ A chiral imbalance in the presence of a strong magnetic field, drives anomalous transport

➤ The QGP is subject to very strong B fields

- ✓ 10^{18} G (RHIC)
- ✓ 10^{20} G (LHC)



Two principal anomalous processes are expected in the magnetized plasma [for $\mu_{V,A} \neq 0$]



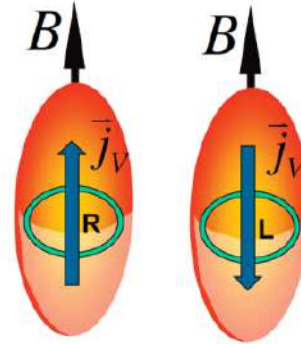
Chiral Separation Effect (CSE)

$$\vec{J}_A = \frac{e\vec{B}}{2\pi^2} \mu_V, \text{ for } \mu_V \neq 0$$

Vector chemical potential

Derived from the induction of a non-dissipative chiral axial current

(the lowest Landau level is chiral)



Chiral Magnetic Effect (CME)

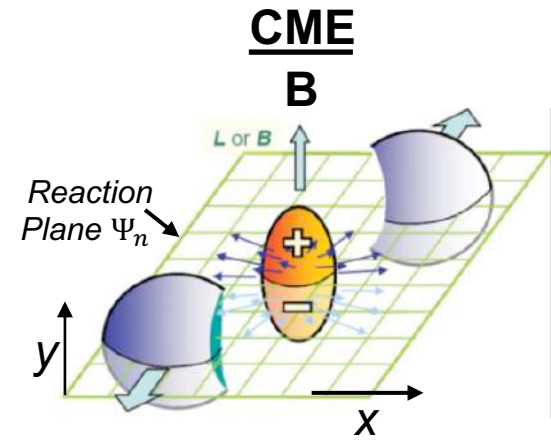
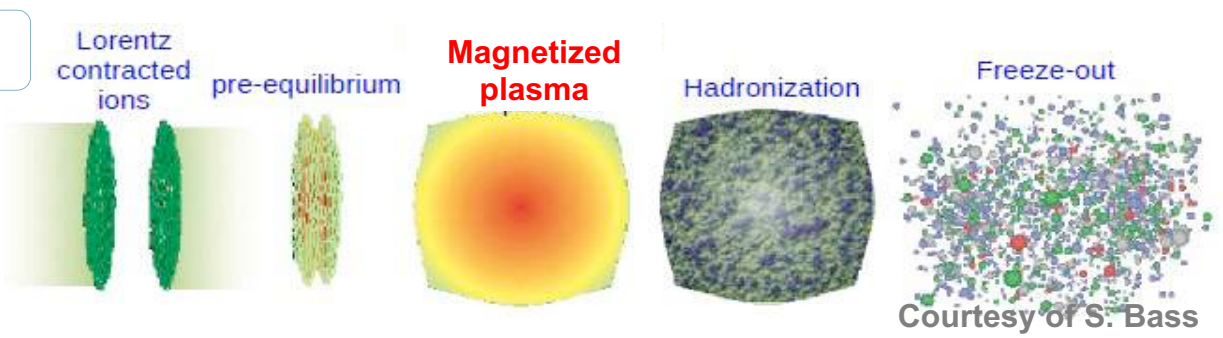
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Axial chemical potential

Characterized by a chiral vector current

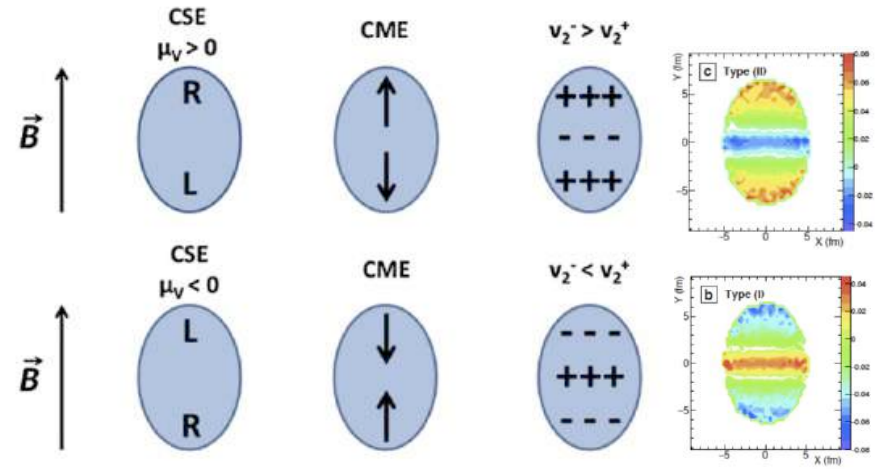
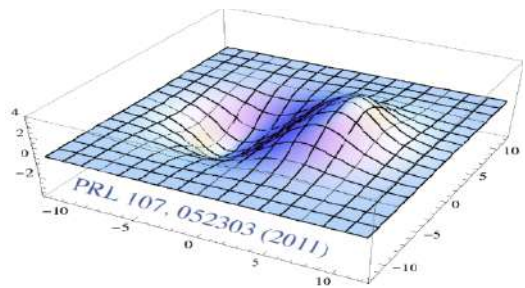
Experimental confirmation of the CME;

- ✓ *Would be a direct observation of topological effects in QCD.*
- ✓ *Would manifest the restoration of chiral symmetry in the QGP*



CMW
 The interplay between the CSE and CME can lead to the production of a gapless collective mode or Chiral Magnetic Wave (CMW)
 ✓ Stems from the coupling between the density waves of the electric and chiral charges

Dmitri E. Kharzeev and Ho-Ung Yee,
 Phys. Rev. D83, 085007 (2011)



The CMW transports positive (negative) charges out-of-plane and negative (positive) charges in-plane to form an electric quadrupole.

- The CME drives a dipole charge separation along the **B**-field
 - ✓ leads to a “dipole moment” in the azimuthal distribution of the produced charged hadrons:

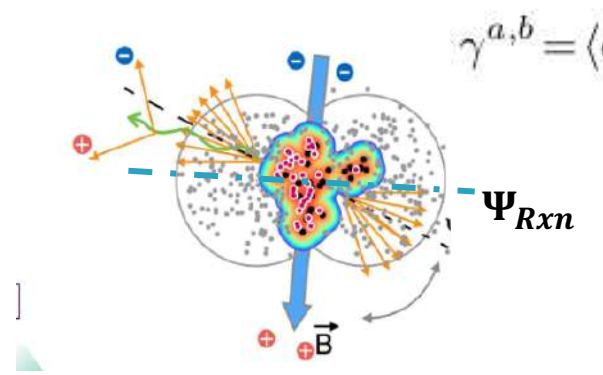
$$\frac{dN}{d\Delta\phi} \propto [1 \pm 2a_1 \sin(\Delta\phi) + \dots]$$

$$\tilde{a}_1 = \langle a_1^2 \rangle^{1/2} \propto \mu_5 B$$

- The detection and characterization of both the dipole and quadrupole charge separation is paramount

Prior/ongoing dipole charge separation measurements

A well known approach is to use the gamma (γ) correlator to measure the dipole charge separation

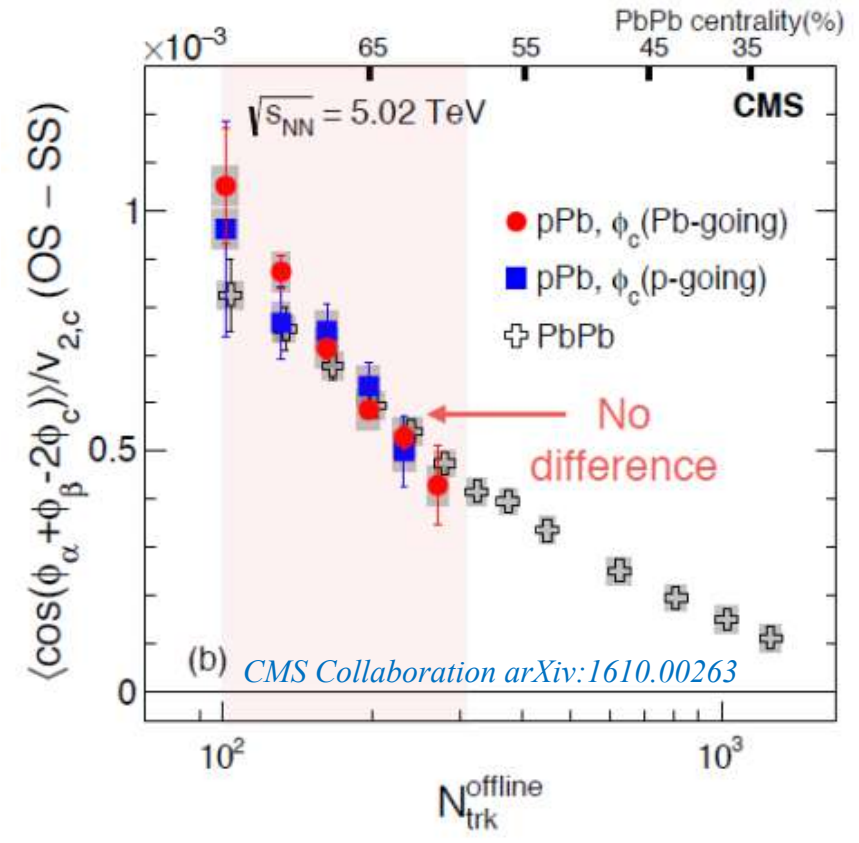
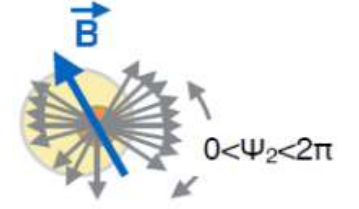
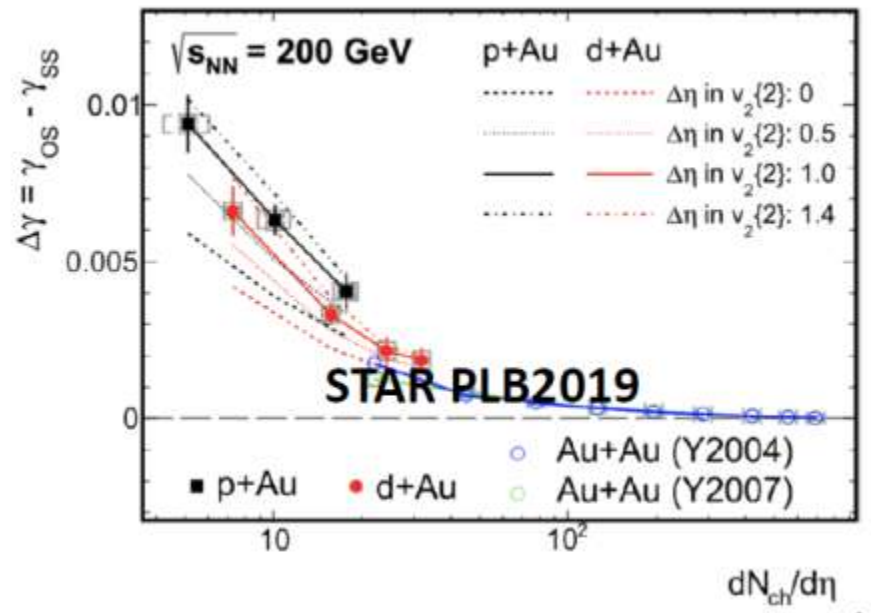
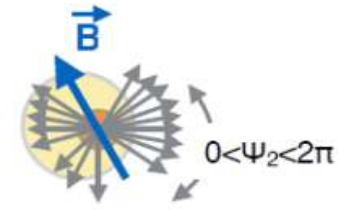


$$\gamma^{a,b} = \langle \cos(\phi_1^a + \phi_2^b - 2\Psi_2) \rangle$$

Voloshin, PRC 70 (2004) 057901

$$\gamma^{\alpha,\beta} = -\langle a_\alpha a_\beta \rangle + c \frac{v_2}{N}$$

background



The background complicates signal extraction

Background can account for a sizeable part, if not all, of the observed charge separation

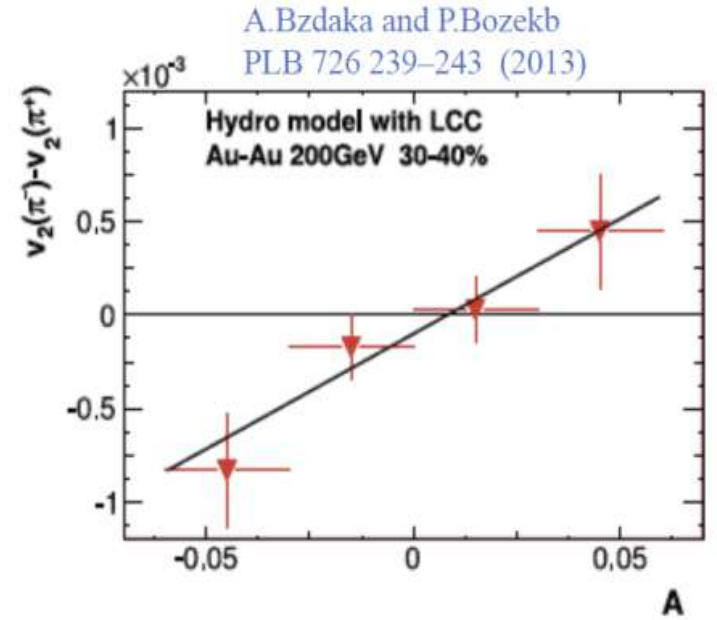
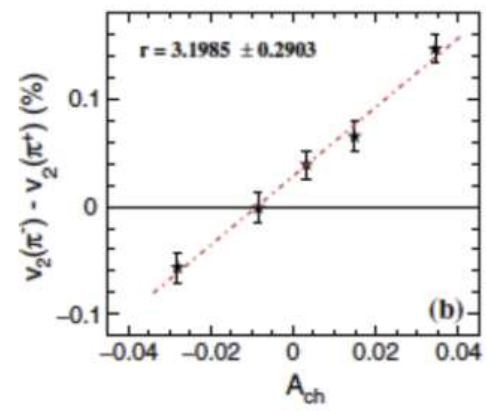
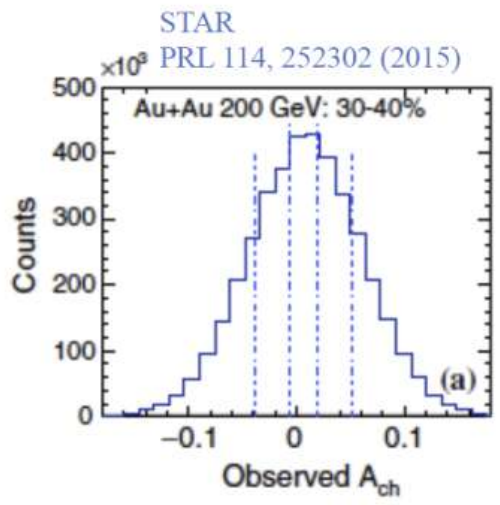
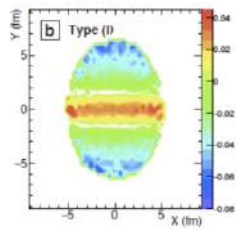
- ✓ Could one make more discerning measurements with a different correlator?

Prior/ongoing quadrupole charge separation measurements

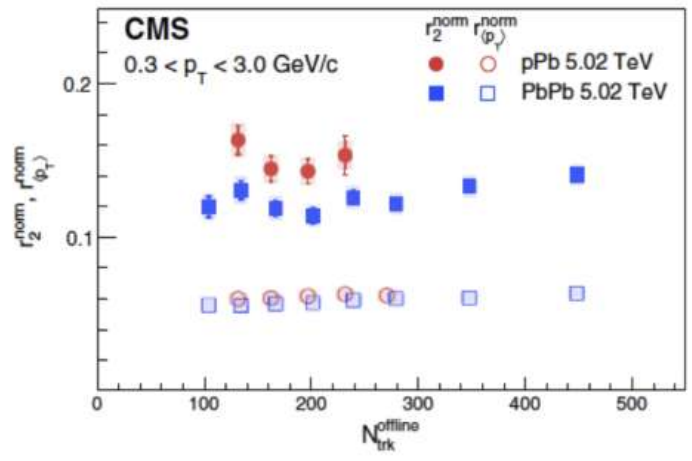
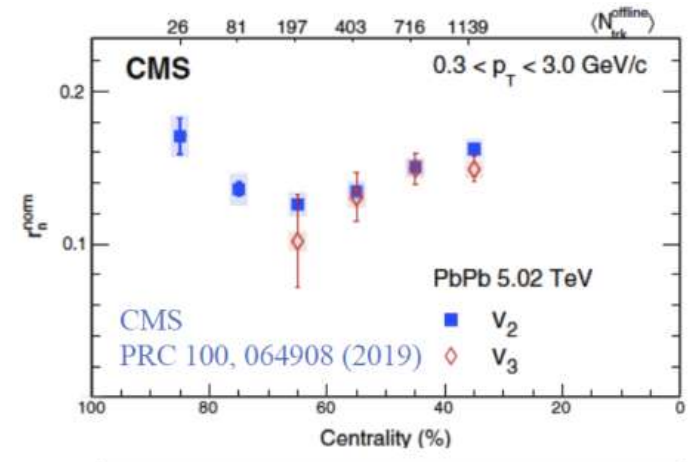
A pervasive approach is to measure the elliptic flow difference between negatively- and positively charged particles as a function of charge asymmetry

$$\Delta v_2 \equiv v_2^- - v_2^+ \simeq r A_{ch}$$

$$A_{ch} = \frac{(N^+ - N^-)}{(N^+ + N^-)}$$



A purely background scenario can give a similar dependence



- Similar slope parameter for:
 - ✓ v_2 and v_3
 - ✓ Small and large systems

Background can account for a part, if not all, of the observed charge separation signal with this correlator

- ✓ Could one make more discerning measurements with a different correlator?

The $R_{\Psi_m}^{(d)}(\Delta S_d)$ Correlator - Rudiments

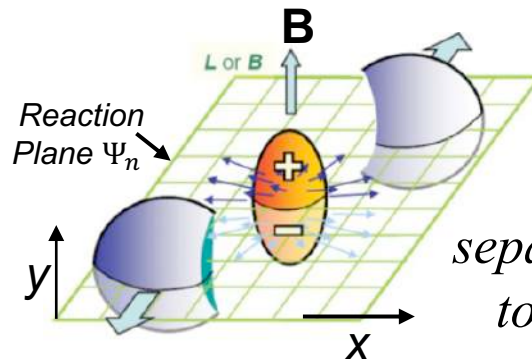
➤ The correlator is constructed for a given event plane Ψ_m via a ratio of two correlation functions

$$R_{\Psi_m}^{(d)}(\Delta S_d) = \frac{C_{\Psi_m}(\Delta S_d)}{C_{\Psi_m}^{\perp}(\Delta S_d)}, m = 2 \text{ and } 3$$

$C_{\Psi_2}(\Delta S_d)$ quantifies charge separation of order d along the B-field

$d=1$ - dipole
 $d=2$ - quadrupole
Charge separation

m^{th} order
event plane

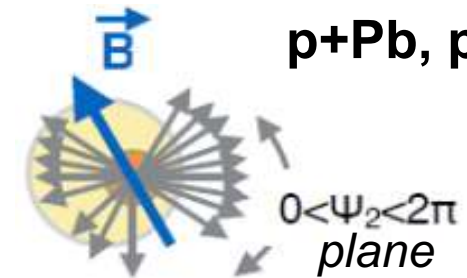


$C_{\Psi_2}^{\perp}(\Delta S_d)$ quantifies charge separation of order d perpendicular to the B-field (only background)

The $R_{\Psi_m}^{(d)}(\Delta S_d)$ correlator measures the magnitude of charge separation of order d parallel to the B-field, relative to that for charge separation perpendicular to the B-field

Note that $R_{\Psi_3}^{(d)}(\Delta S_d)$ is insensitive to the CME- and CMW-driven charge separation (but sensitive to background)

➤ Leverage Small systems



p+Pb, p+Au, ...

B-field and $\Psi_2 \sim$ uncorrelated

- ✓ $R_{\Psi_2}^{(d)}(\Delta S_d)$ measurements insensitive to B-field → "no signal"
- ✓ Excellent bench mark

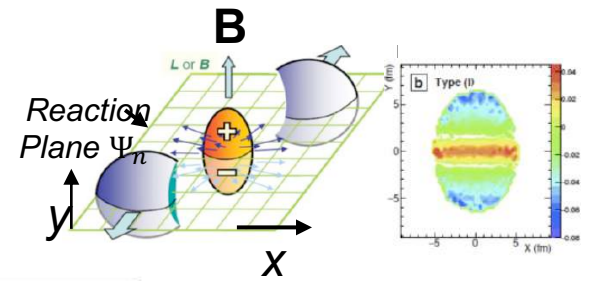
The $R_{\Psi_m}^{(d)}(\Delta S_d)$ Correlator - Operational

N. Magdy, et al.
PRC 97, 061901 (2018)

N. Magdy, et al.
arXiv:2003.02396

$$R_{\Psi_m}^{(d)}(\Delta S) = \frac{C_{\Psi_m}(\Delta S_d)}{C_{\Psi_m}^{\perp}(\Delta S_d)}$$

$d=1$ - dipole
 $d=2$ - quadrupole



$$C_{\Psi_m}(\Delta S) = \frac{N(\Delta S_d)}{N(\Delta S_d)_{sh}}$$

$$\Delta\varphi = \varphi - \Psi_m$$

Sensitive to charge separation
(Signal and Background):

$$C_{\Psi_m}^{\perp}(\Delta S) = \frac{N(\Delta S_d)^{\perp}}{N(\Delta S_d)_{sh}^{\perp}}$$

$$N(\Delta S_d) = N(\langle S_{\Psi_m}^+ \rangle_d - \langle S_{\Psi_m}^- \rangle_d)$$

$$N(\Delta S_d)^{\perp} = N(\langle S_{\Psi_m}^+ \rangle_d^{\perp} - \langle S_{\Psi_m}^- \rangle_d^{\perp})$$

$$\langle S_{\Psi_m}^+ \rangle_d = \frac{\sum_1^p w_p \sin \left[\frac{m^d}{2} (\Delta\varphi) \right]}{w_p}$$

w_i : charge-dependent detector acceptance

$$\langle S_{\Psi_m}^+ \rangle_d^{\perp} = \frac{\sum_1^p w_p \cos \left[\frac{m^d}{2} (\Delta\varphi) \right]}{w_p}$$

$$\langle S_{\Psi_m}^- \rangle_d = \frac{\sum_1^n w_n \sin \left[\frac{m^d}{2} (\Delta\varphi) \right]}{w_n}$$

p/n : number of positive/negative hadrons per event

$$\langle S_{\Psi_m}^- \rangle_d^{\perp} = \frac{\sum_1^n w_n \cos \left[\frac{m^d}{2} (\Delta\varphi) \right]}{w_n}$$

Shuffling of charges within an event breaks the charge separation sensitivity:

$$N(\Delta S_d)_{sh} = N(\langle S_{\Psi_m}^+ \rangle_d - \langle S_{\Psi_m}^- \rangle_d)_{sh}$$

$$N(\Delta S_d)^{\perp}_{sh} = N(\langle S_{\Psi_m}^+ \rangle_d^{\perp} - \langle S_{\Psi_m}^- \rangle_d^{\perp})_{sh}$$

➤ The correlator employs a common operational framework for both the dipole and quadrupole charge separation measurements

Models used to “calibrate” the correlators

- The response and the sensitivity of the correlators were studied with several models;
 - ✓ AMPT with varying degrees of proxy CME- and CMW-driven charge separation + **background**
 - ✓ AVFD with varying degrees of CME-driven charge separation + **background**
 - ✓ Hydro events with **only background** **background = well known backgrounds**

AVFD - CME

The AVFD model, simulates the evolution of fermion currents in the QGP on top VISHNU bulk hydrodynamic flow

Yin Jiang, Shuzhe Shi, Yi Yin, and Jinfeng Liao
Chin.Phys.C 42 (2018) 1, 011001
 e-Print: [1611.04586](https://arxiv.org/abs/1611.04586)

$$\frac{dN}{d\Delta\phi} \propto [1 \pm 2a_1 \sin(\Delta\phi) + \dots] \quad \tilde{a}_1 = \langle a_1^2 \rangle^{1/2} \propto \mu_5 B$$

AMPT - CME

Guo-Liang Ma and Bin Zhang
Phys. Lett. B 700, 39–43 (2011)

CME-induced charge separation generated By switching the p_y values of a fraction of the downward moving u (\bar{d}) quarks with those of the upward moving \bar{u} (d) quarks to produce a net charge-dipole separation in the initial-state

Signal strength $f_0 = \frac{N_{\uparrow(\downarrow)}^{+(-)} - N_{\downarrow(\uparrow)}^{+(-)}}{N_{\uparrow(\downarrow)}^{+(-)} + N_{\downarrow(\uparrow)}^{+(-)}}, \quad f_0 = \frac{4}{\pi} a_1$

AMPT - CMW

G.-L. Ma,
Phys. Lett. B 735, 383 (2014)

CMW-induced quadrupole charge separation generated by interchanging the position coordinates (x, y, z) for a fraction (f_q) of the in-plane light quarks (u, d and s) carrying positive (negative) charges with out-of-plane quarks carrying negative (positive) charges, at the start of the partonic stage.

Signal strength f_q

➤ Note::

- ✓ The input and output signals should not be the same, due to signal loss
- ✓ The magnitude of the AVFD output signal should be larger than the AMPT output signal

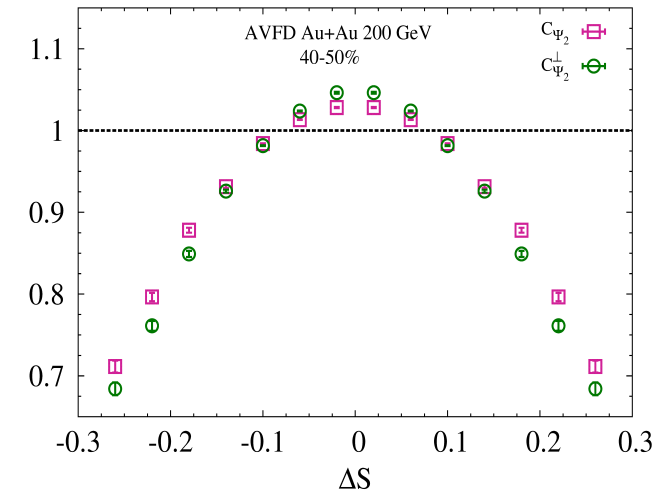
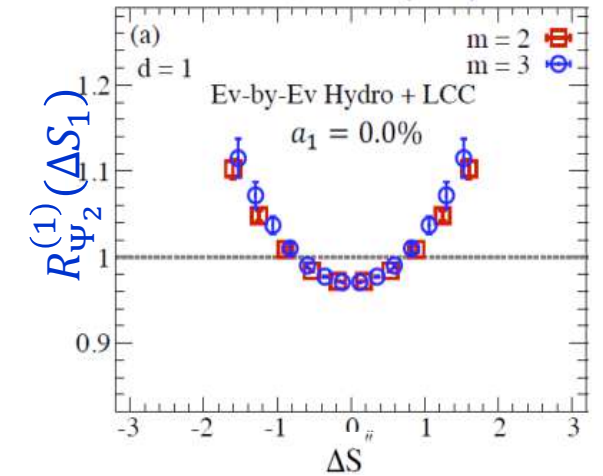
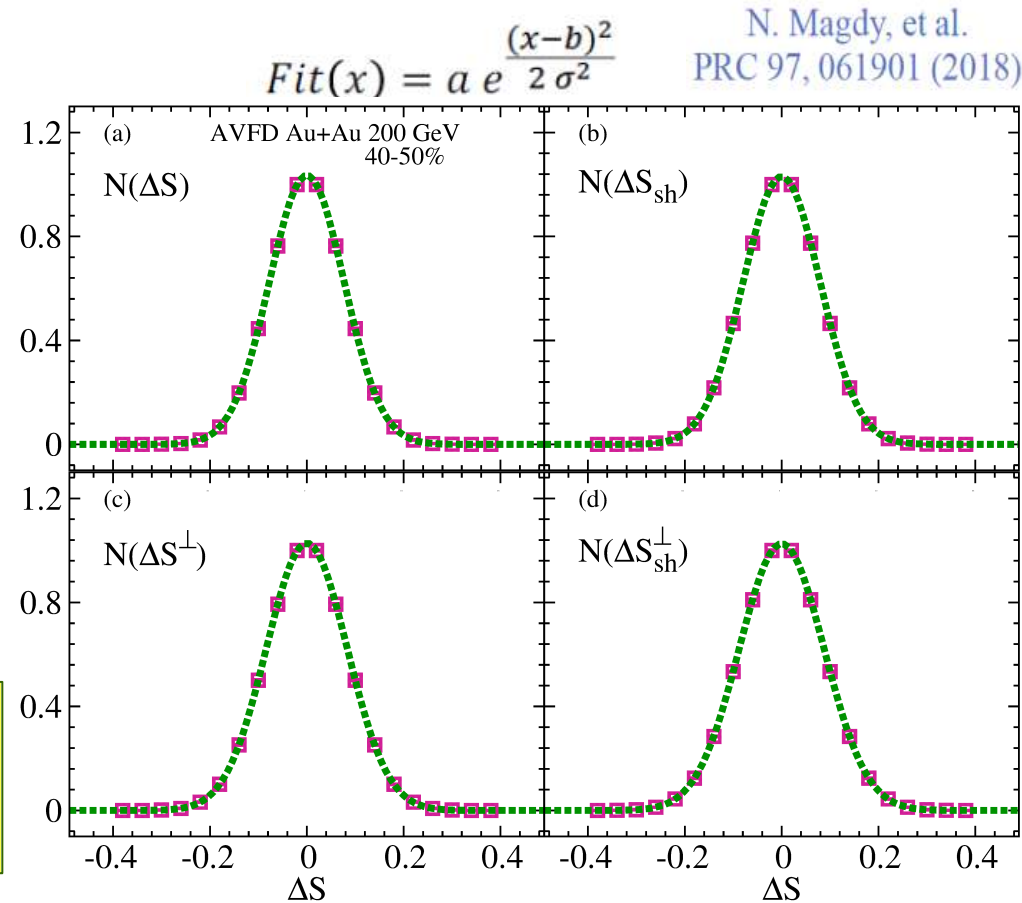
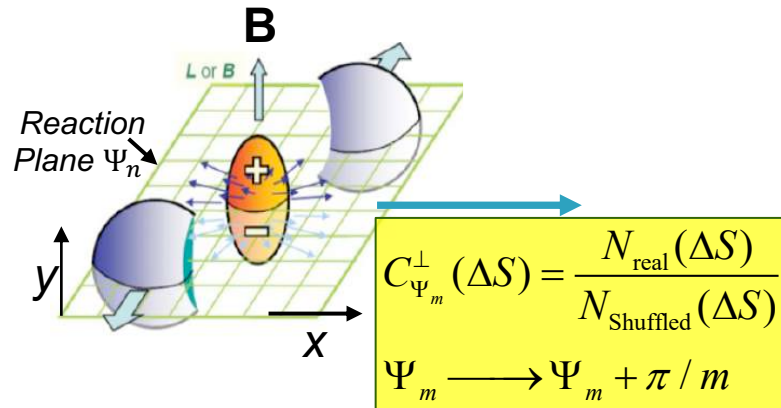
The $R_{\Psi_m}^{(1)}(\Delta S_1)$ [dipole correlator] - Operational

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$$R_{\Psi_m}^{(1)}(\Delta S_1) = \frac{C_{\Psi_m}(\Delta S_1)}{C_{\Psi_m}^{\perp}(\Delta S_1)}, \quad m = 2, 3$$

Correlation functions are constructed from Gaussian shaped distributions

$$C_{\Psi_m}(\Delta S) = \frac{N_{\text{real}}(\Delta S)}{N_{\text{Shuffled}}(\Delta S)}$$



$C_{\Psi_m}(\Delta S)$, $C_{\Psi_m}^{\perp}(\Delta S)$ and $R_{\Psi_m}^{(1)}(\Delta S)$ are Gaussian

→ Convexity/Concavity of $R_{\Psi_m}^{(1)}(\Delta S)$ depends on the relative widths

→ The width of the distribution encodes the magnitude of charge separation

The $R_{\Psi_m}^{(1)}(\Delta S_1)$ [dipole correlator] - Operational

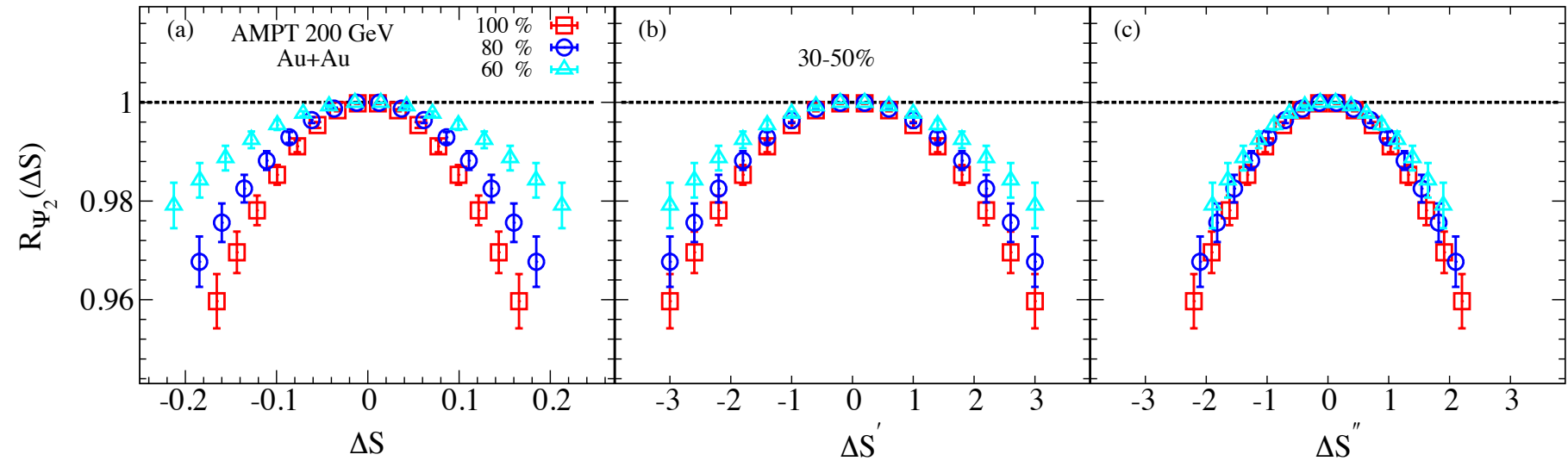
➤ The charge separation magnitude is reflected in the width of the $R_{\Psi_m}^{(1)}(\Delta S_1)$ distribution which is affected by:

- ✓ Number fluctuations
- ✓ Event plane resolution

Straightforward to mitigate

$$\Delta S' = \Delta S / \sigma_{\Delta S^{sh}}$$

$$\Delta S'' = \Delta S' \delta_{res}$$



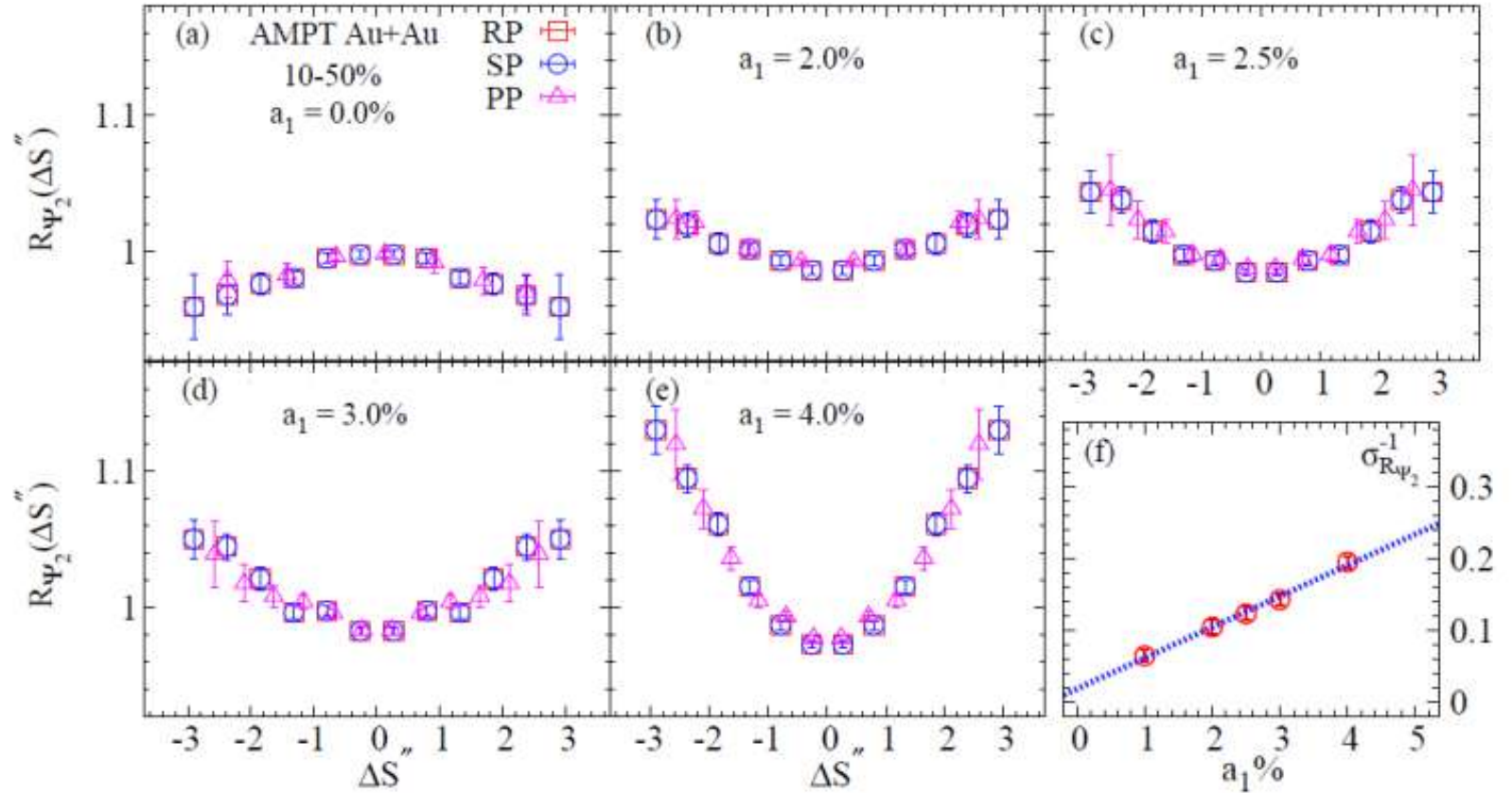
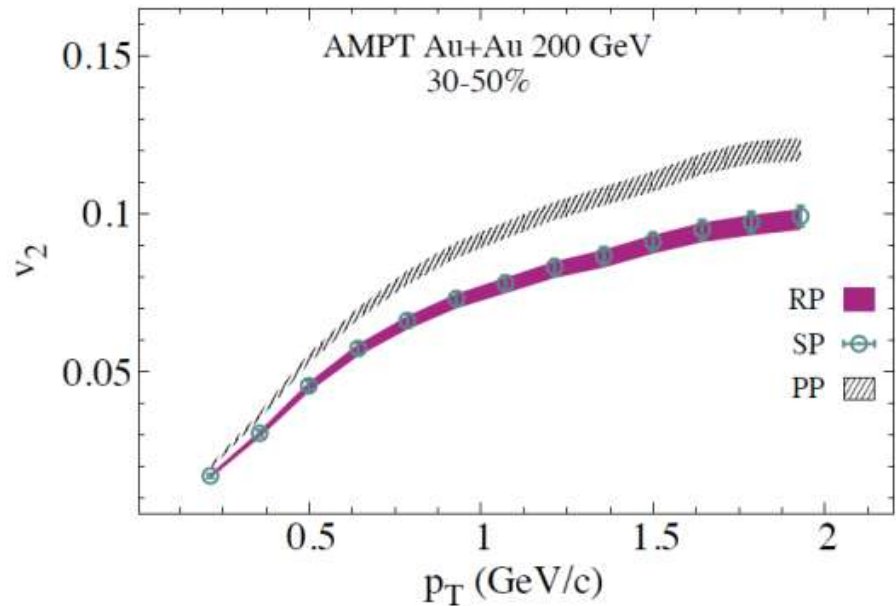
➤ **Corrections for the effects of both number fluctuations and EP-resolution are necessary, but straightforward**

Sensitivity to signal – $R_{\Psi_m}^{(1)}(\Delta S_1)$ [dipole]

N. Magdy et. al., [arXiv:2002.07934](https://arxiv.org/abs/2002.07934)

The sensitivity of $R_{\Psi_m}^{(1)}(\Delta S_1)$ to different signal inputs + background, measured relative to several event planes, studied

$$v_2 = \langle \cos(\phi - 2\psi_{XX}) \rangle \quad XX = \text{RP, SP and PP}$$



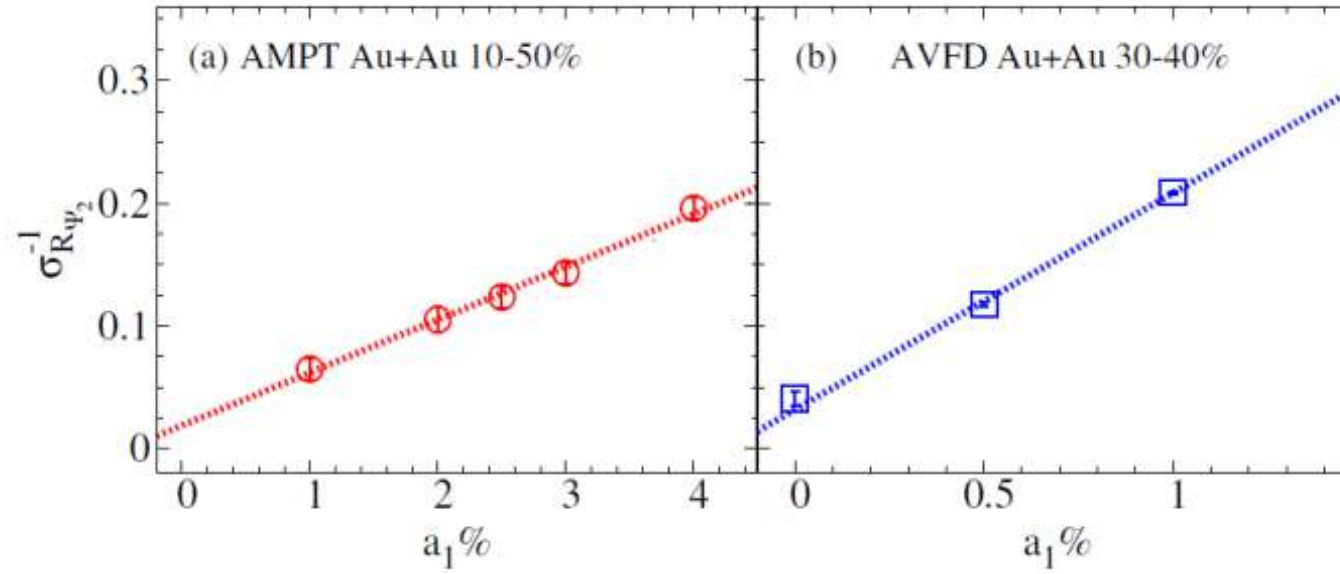
Characteristic response of the correlator

$$\tilde{a} = \langle a_1^2 \rangle^{1/2} \propto \mu_5 B$$

- ✓ $R_{\Psi_{XX}}^{(1)}$ is essentially event plane independent
 - ✓ Correction factors for number fluctuations & event plane resolution under control
- ✓ The inverse widths are proportional to a_1

Very good sensitivity down to small signals

Comparison of the correlator response for AMPT and AVFD events

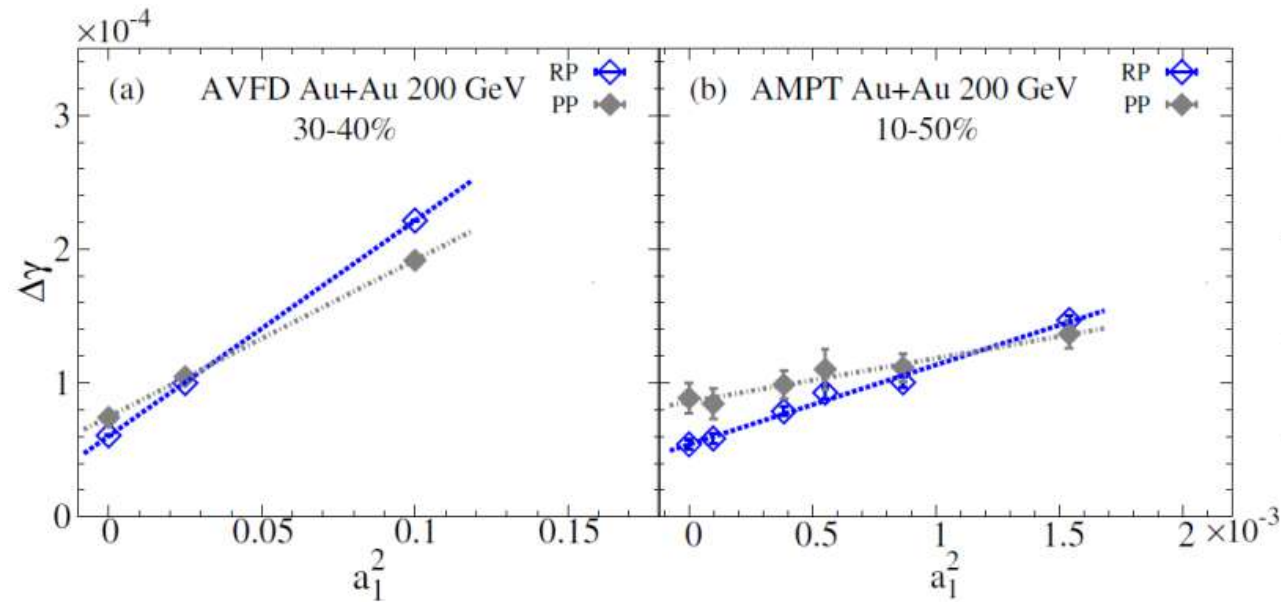


The inverse widths are proportional to the input a_1

✓ **Different slopes as expected**

$$a_1^{\text{AMPT}} \sim 4a_1^{\text{AVFD}}$$

Comparison of the correlator response for AMPT and AVFD events



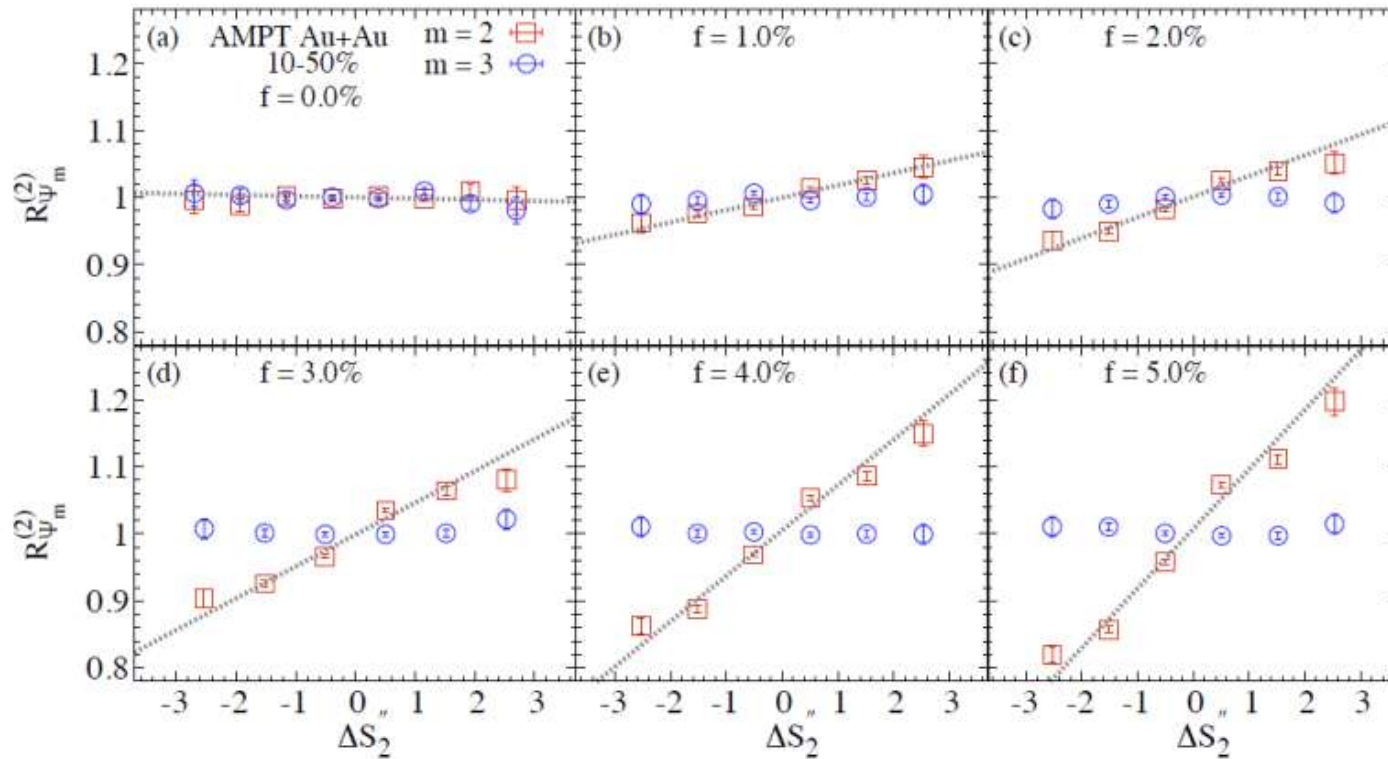
The inverse widths are proportional to the input a_1^2
 ✓ Different slopes as expected

$$a_1^{\text{AMPT}} \sim 4a_1^{\text{AVFD}} \text{ over range of interest}$$

Sensitivity to signal – $R_{\Psi_m}^{(2)}(\Delta S_2)$ [quadrupole]

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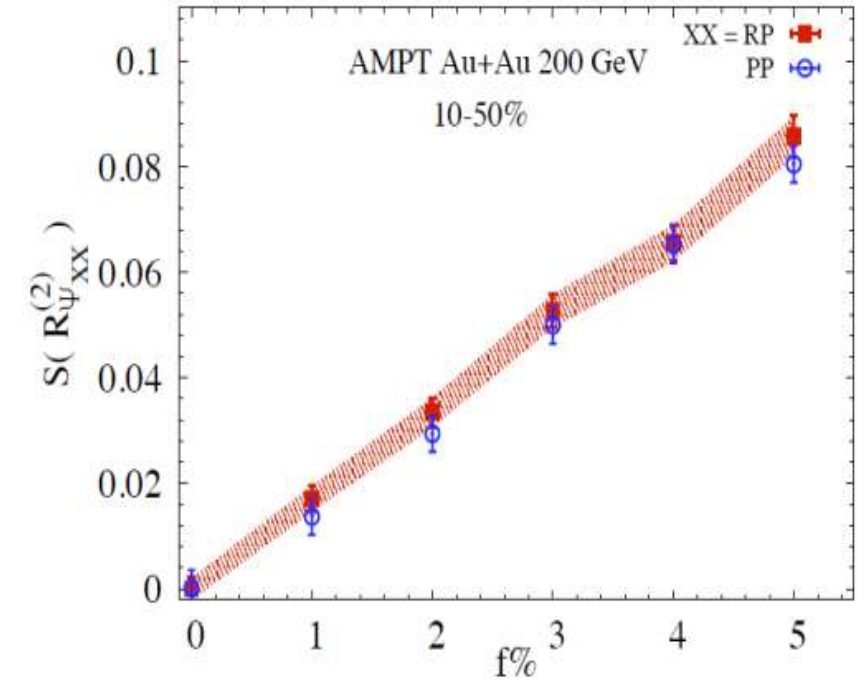
The sensitivity of $R_{\Psi_m}^{(2)}(\Delta S_2)$ to different signal inputs + background, measured relative to several event planes



Characteristic response of the $R_{\Psi_m}^{(2)}(\Delta S_2)$ correlator

✓ $R_{\Psi_3}^{(2)}(\Delta S_2)$ shows little, if any, sensitivity to background

Slope vs. input signal f

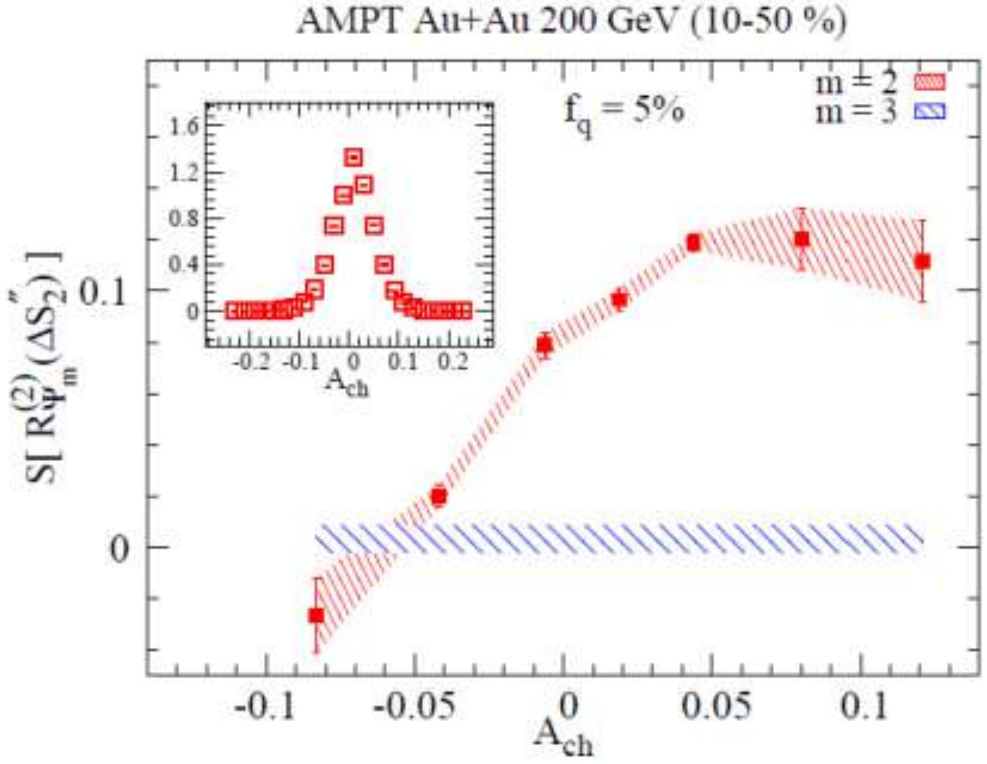


- ✓ The extracted slopes are event-plane independent
- ✓ The extracted slopes are proportional to the input signals

✓ Very good sensitivity down to small input signals

Sensitivity of the $R_{\psi_m}^{(2)}(\Delta S_2)$ correlator

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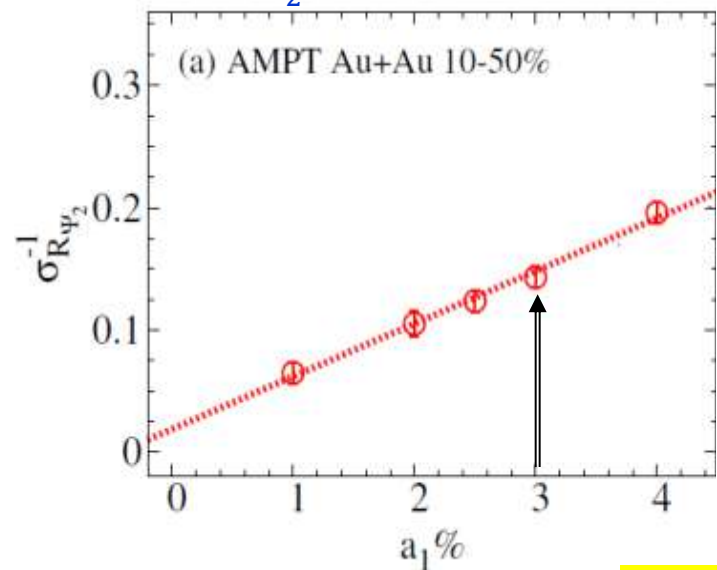
$$A_{ch} = \frac{(N^+ - N^-)}{(N^+ + N^-)}$$

Validation of the expected sensitivity to charge asymmetry

Sensitivity of the $R_{\Psi_m}^{(d)}(\Delta S_d)$ and $\Delta\gamma$ correlators

Calibrations for the $R_{\Psi_2}^{(1)}(\Delta S_1)$ and $\Delta\gamma$ correlators performed with the same events

$R_{\Psi_2}^{(1)}(\Delta S_1)$ correlator



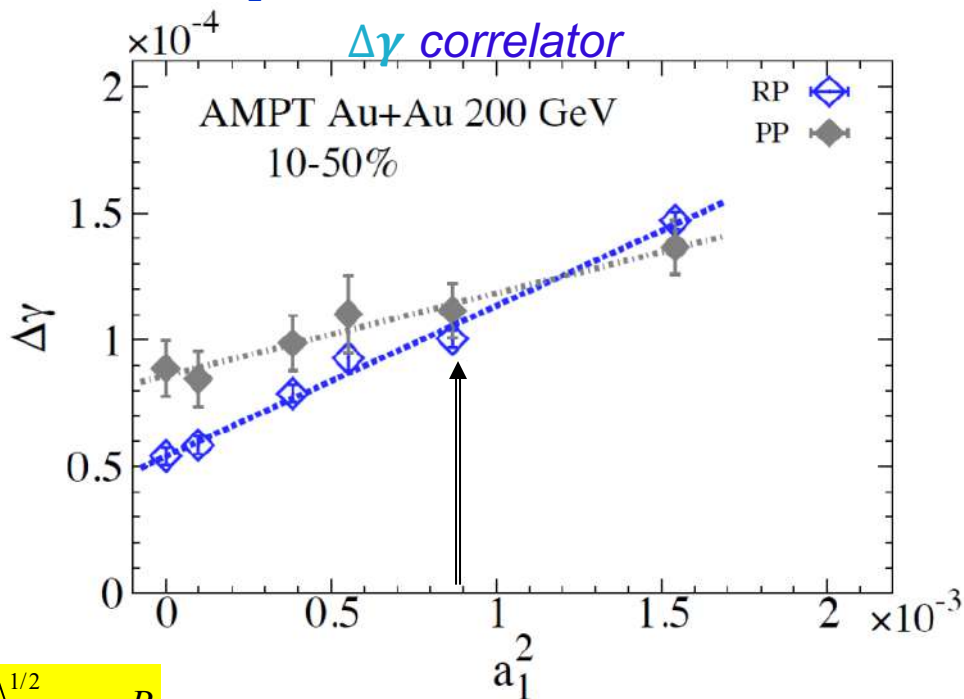
The inverse widths are proportional to a_1

- ✓ good sensitivity in the presence of background

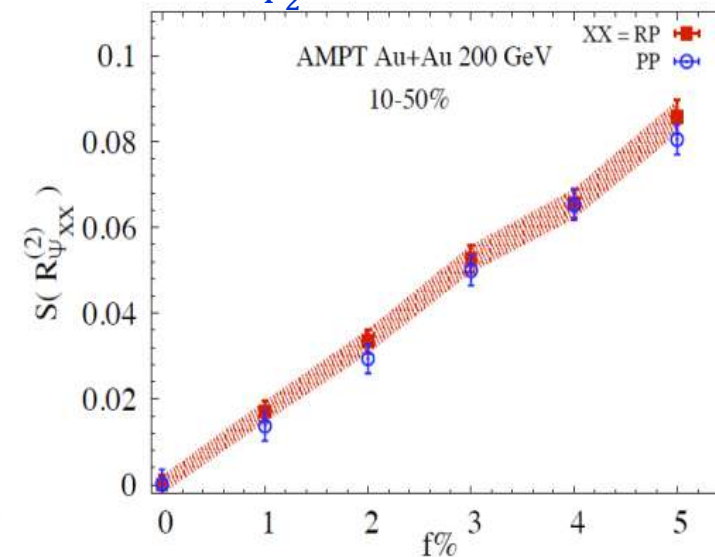
$$\tilde{a}_1 = \langle a_1^2 \rangle^{1/2} \propto \mu_5 B$$

- $\Delta\gamma$ is proportional a_1^2
 - ✓ event plane dependence
 - ✓ sizeable intercept
 - ✓ $\Delta\gamma \neq 2a_1^2$ (due to losses)
- $f_{\text{cme}} \sim 15\%$ (for PP)

$\Delta\gamma$ correlator



$R_{\Psi_2}^{(2)}(\Delta S_2)$ correlator



The extracted slopes are proportional to the input signals

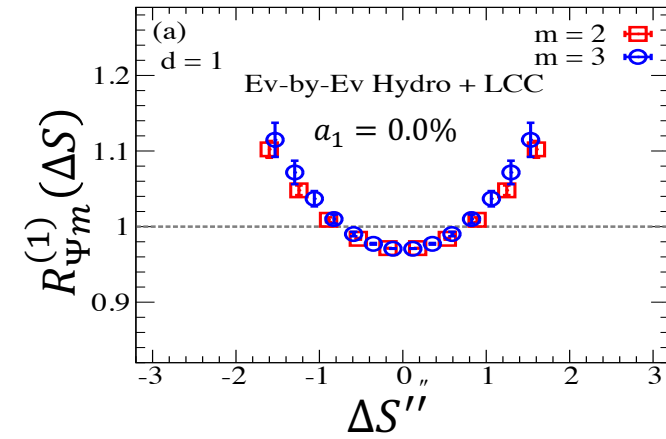
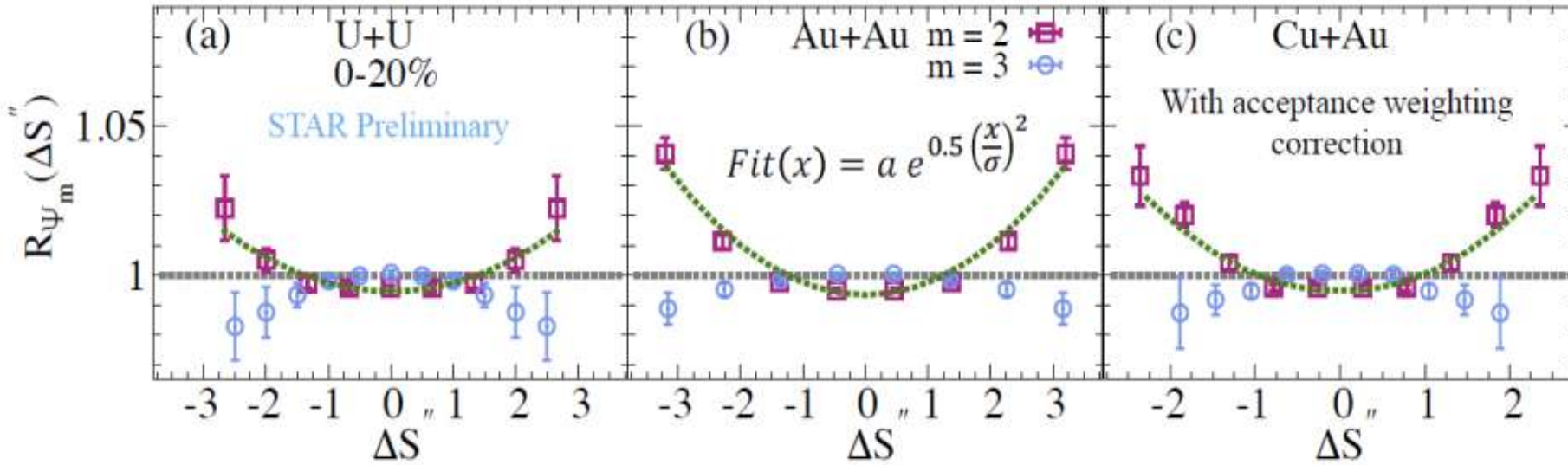
- ✓ good sensitivity in the presence of background

- f_{cme} is NOT a good estimator of the magnitude of the CME signal when the background is significant

Representative results from data – $R_{\Psi_m}^{(1)}(\Delta S_1)$ [dipole]

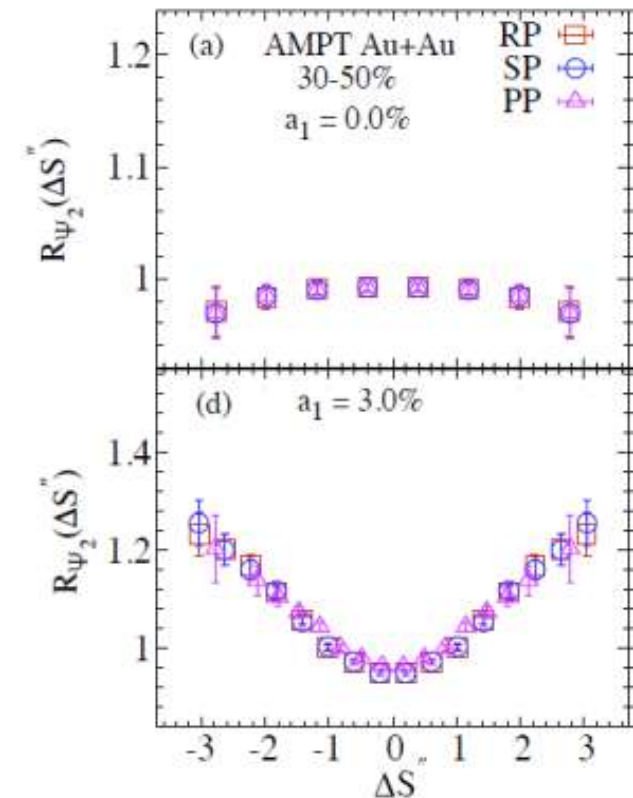
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- $R_{\Psi_2}(\Delta S'')$ and $R_{\Psi_3}(\Delta S'')$ measurements for 0-20% central collisions for different collision systems



- The $R_{\Psi_2}(\Delta S'')$ correlators are concave-shaped while the $R_{\Psi_3}(\Delta S'')$ correlators are convex-shaped.
 - ✓ This stark difference is **incompatible** with a purely background-driven charge separation

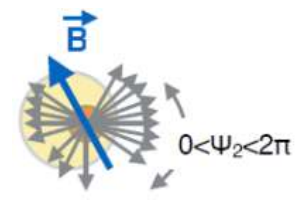
The experimental patterns for $R_{\Psi_{2,3}}(\Delta S'')$ are consistent with CME-driven charge separation in these collisions



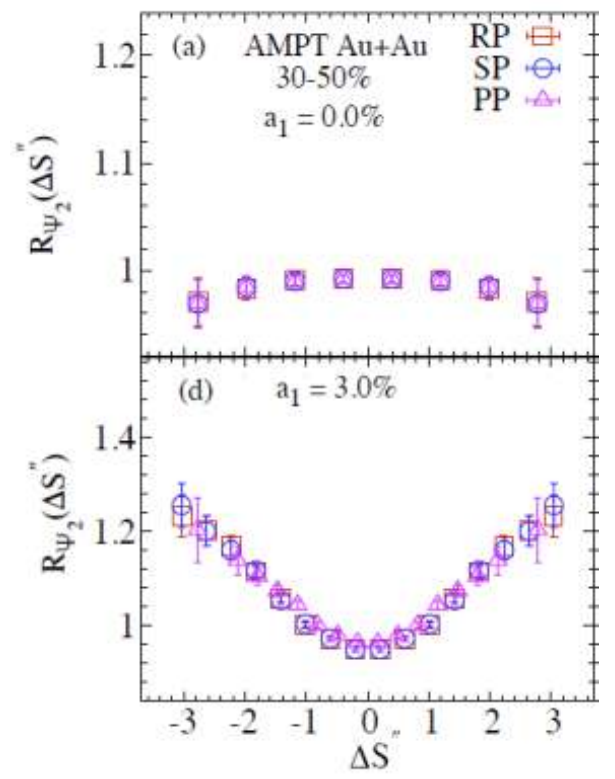
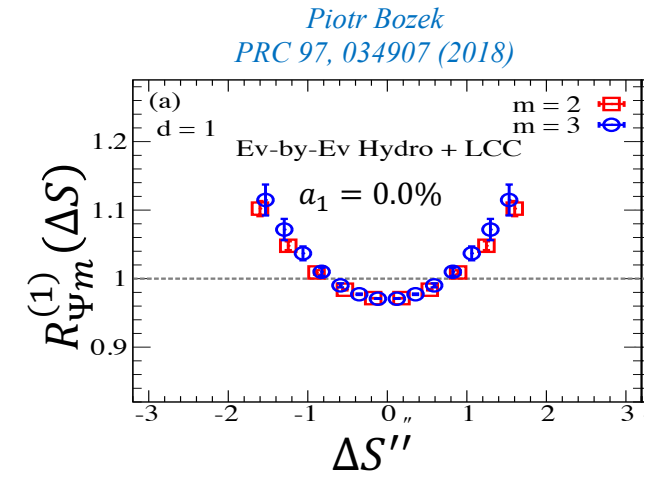
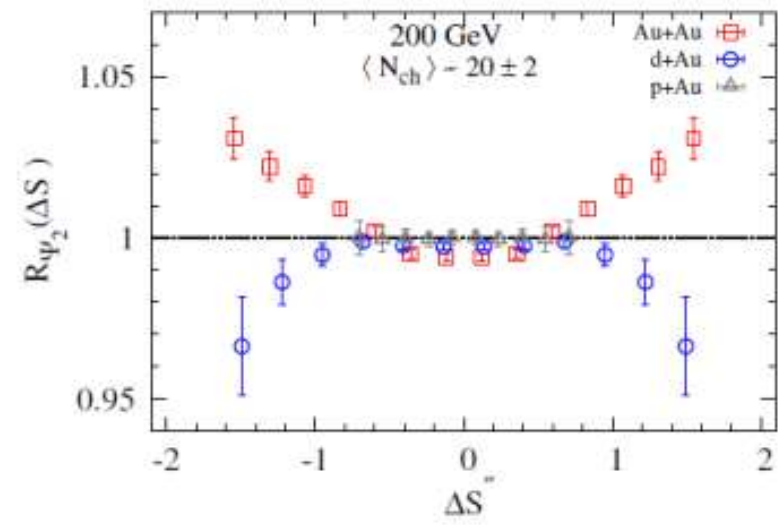
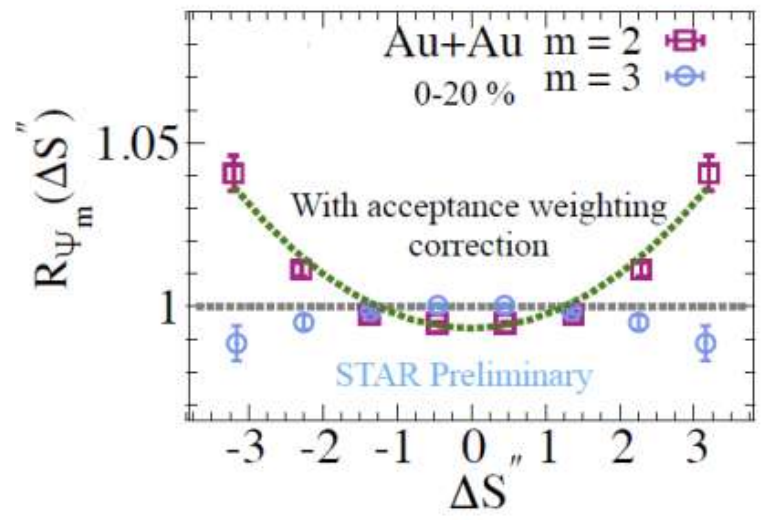
Representative results from data – $R_{\Psi_m}^{(1)}(\Delta S_1)$ [dipole]

- R_{Ψ_2} for Au+Au collisions is concave-shaped (R_{Ψ_3} is convex-shaped)
- ✓ Significant difference between $R_{\Psi_2}^{(1)}(\Delta S_1)$ & $R_{\Psi_3}^{(1)}(\Delta S_1)$
- ✓ consistent with the expectation for CME-driven charge separation.

- $R_{\Psi_2}^{(1)}(\Delta S_1)$ for p/d+Au collisions consistent with the expected pattern of background-driven charge separation
- ✓ Similar to $R_{\Psi_3}^{(1)}(\Delta S_1)$ for Au+Au



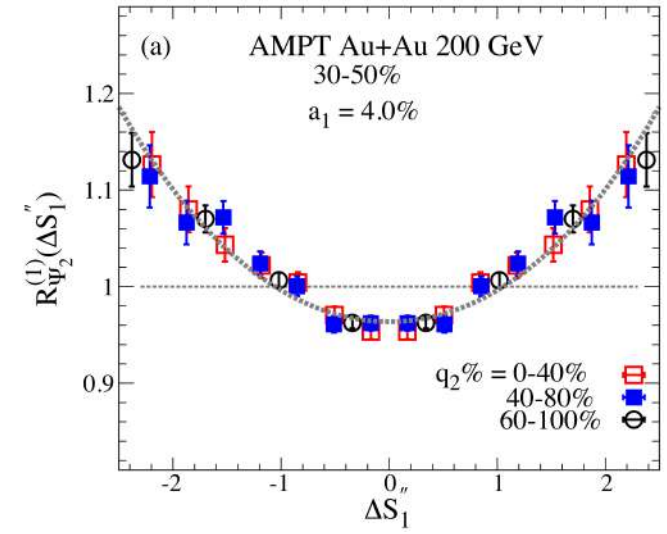
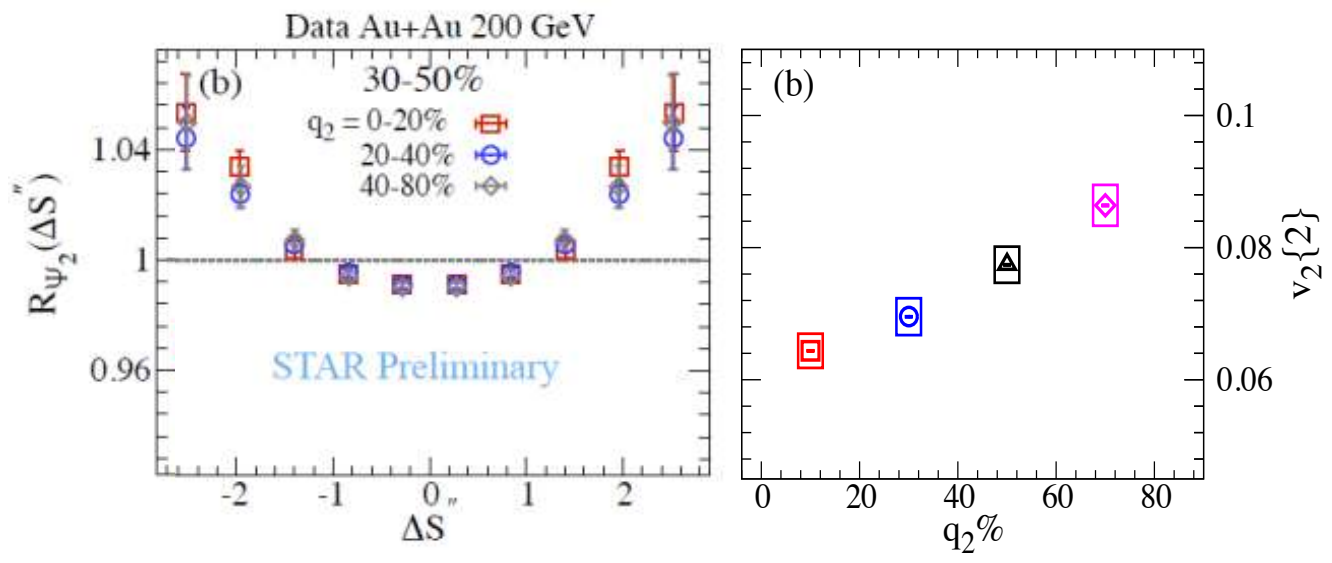
B-field and Ψ_2 ~ uncorrelated for p/d+Au



Representative results from data – $R_{\Psi_m}^{(1)}(\Delta S_1)$ [dipole]

➤ *Event shape selection*

Comparison of the $R_{\Psi_2}^{(1)}(\Delta S_1)$ correlators for q_2 selected events for 30–50% central, Au+Au collisions at 200 GeV

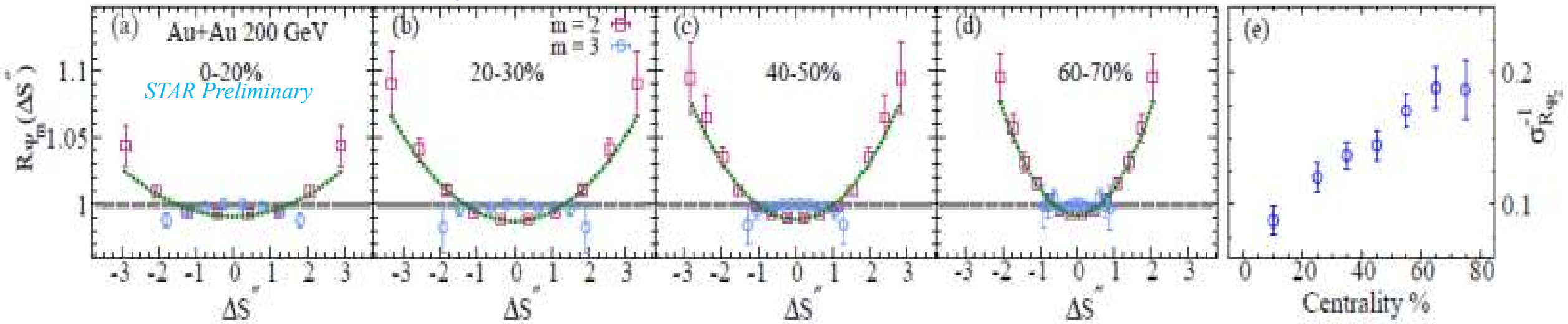


For modest CME signal + background, $R_{\Psi_2}^{(1)}(\Delta S_1)$ is insensitive to q_2 selection

- The q_2 -selected $R_{\Psi_m}^{(1)}(\Delta S_1)$ correlators are not strongly influenced by the q_2 -dependent v_2 -driven background.
 - ✓ consistent with the absence of strong v_2 -driven background influence.

Representative results from data – $R_{\Psi_m}^{(1)}(\Delta S_1)$ [dipole]

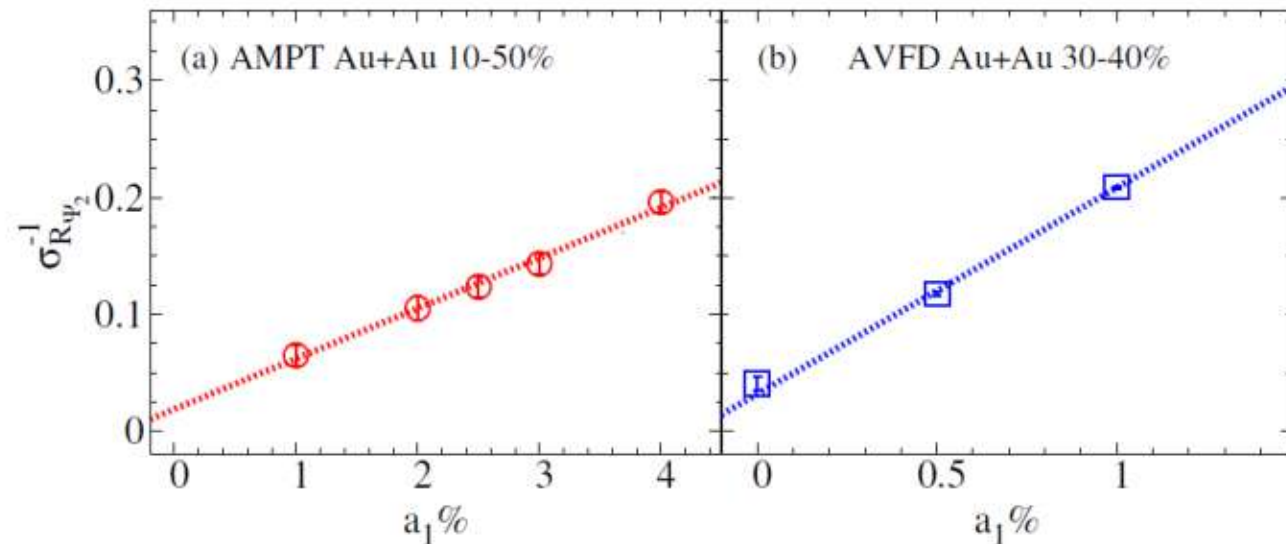
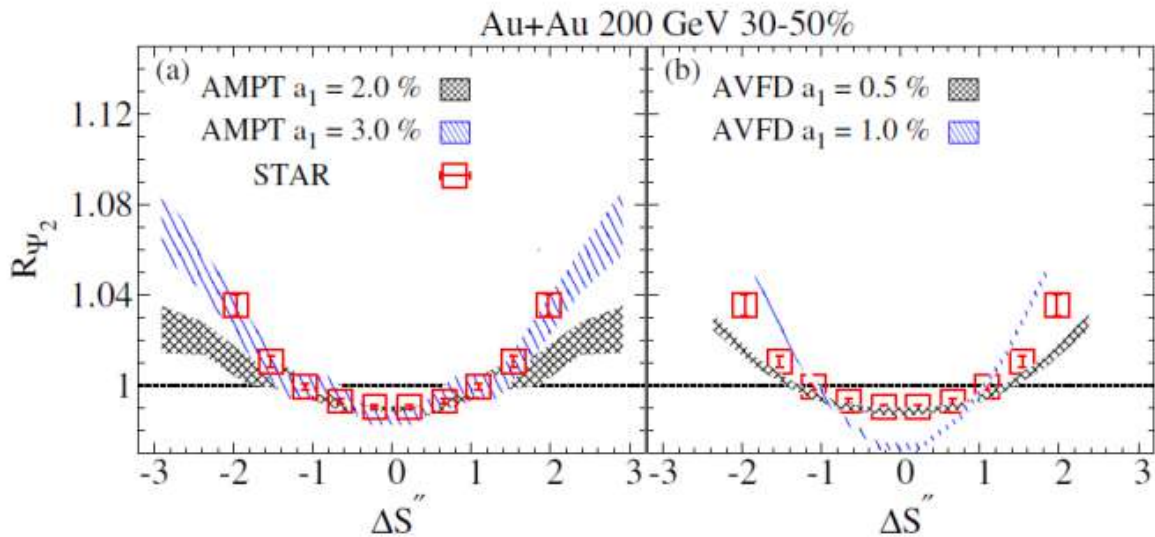
- $R_{\Psi_2}^{(1)}(\Delta S_1)$ and $R_{\Psi_3}^{(1)}(\Delta S_1)$ measurements vs. centrality for Au+Au Collisions at 200 GeV



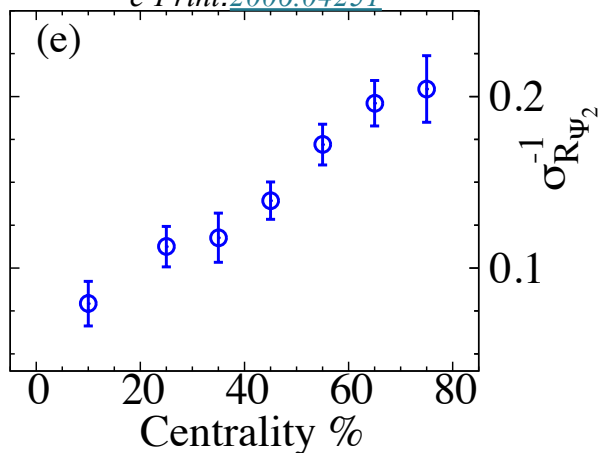
- $\sigma_{R_{\Psi_2}^{(1)}}^{-1}$ indicates a sizable centrality dependence,
 - ✓ Recall that $R_{\Psi_2}^{(1)}(\Delta S_1)$ is essentially independent of q_2 selection
- The data trends are in line with the expected increase in the magnitude of CME-driven charge separation (from central to peripheral collisions) resulting from:
 - ✓ an increase in the \vec{B} -field
 - ✓ stronger correlation between the \vec{B} -field and the event plane
 - ✓ enhanced axial charge per entropy

CME signal quantification

Representative calibration curves used to estimate a_1



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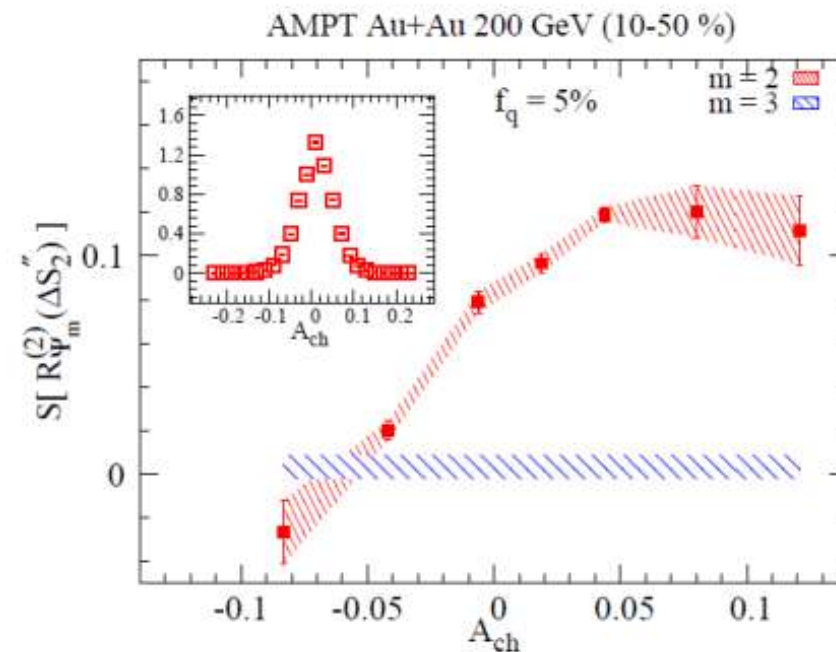
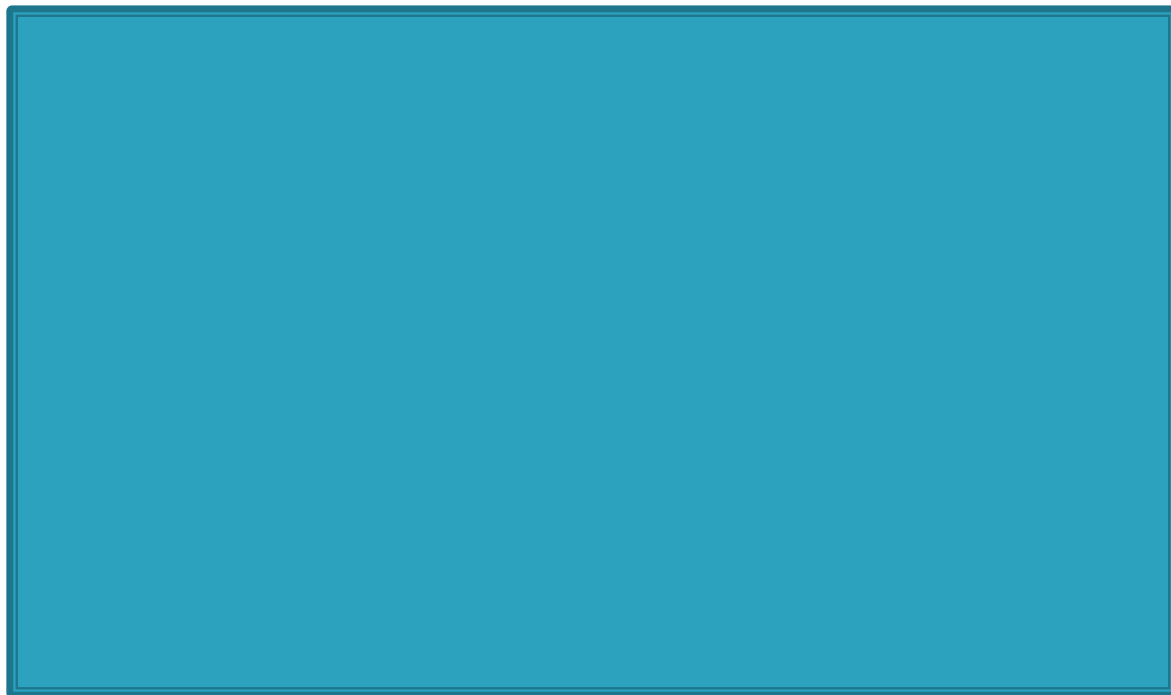


	Central	Mid-central	Peripheral
$a_1 - AVFD$ (%)	0.250 ± 0.013	0.65 ± 0.033	1.0 ± 0.05
$a_1 - AMPT$ (%)	1.00 ± 0.050	2.6 ± 0.130	4.0 ± 0.2

Implied $f_{CME} \sim 15\%$
(from $\Delta\gamma$ correlator for Mid-central collisions)
✓ Consistent with current estimates

➤ **No glaring inconsistency with current f_{CME} measurements**

Ongoing $R_{\psi_m}^{(2)}(\Delta S_2)$ experimental measurement

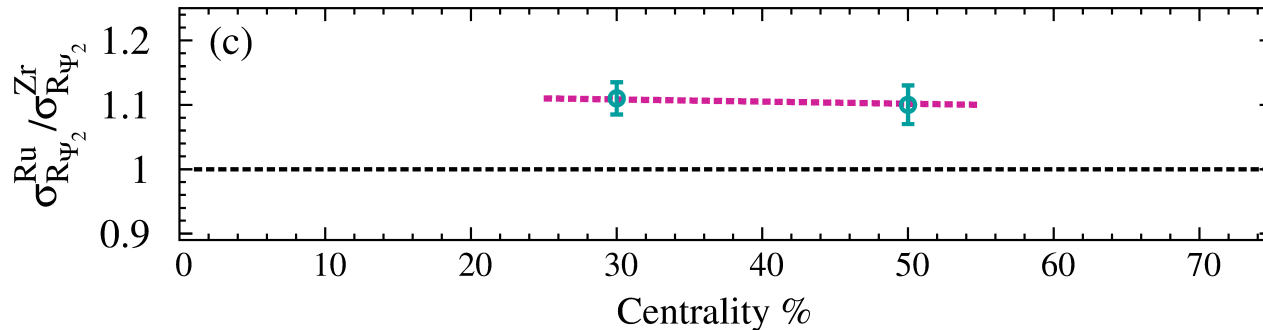
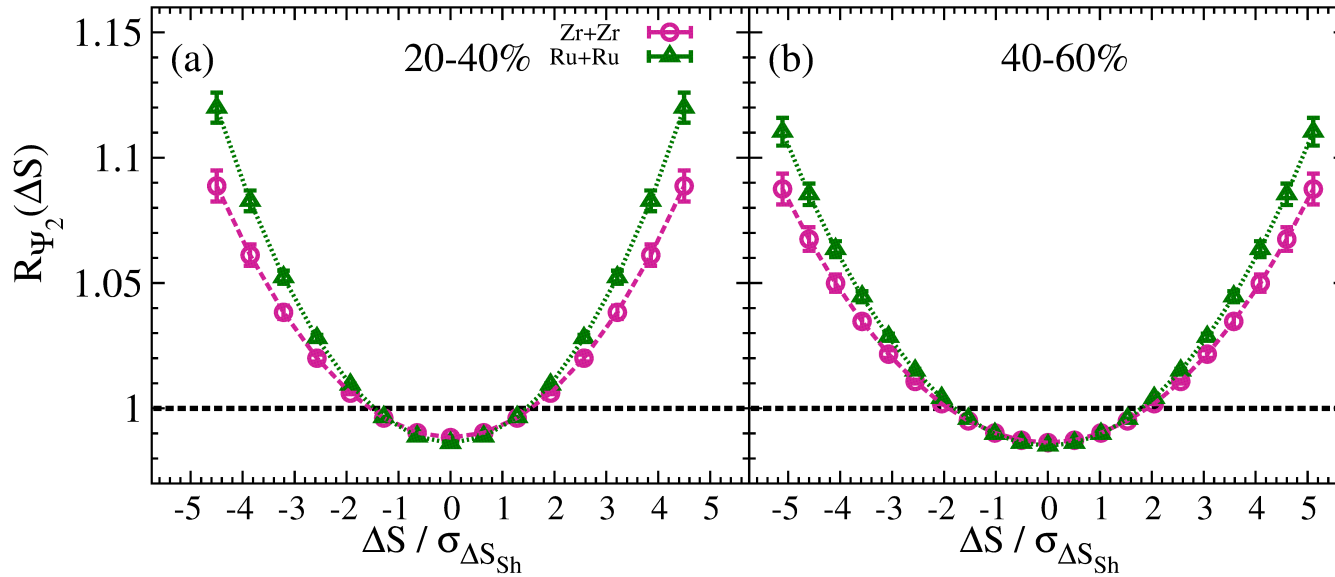


Measurements are complete

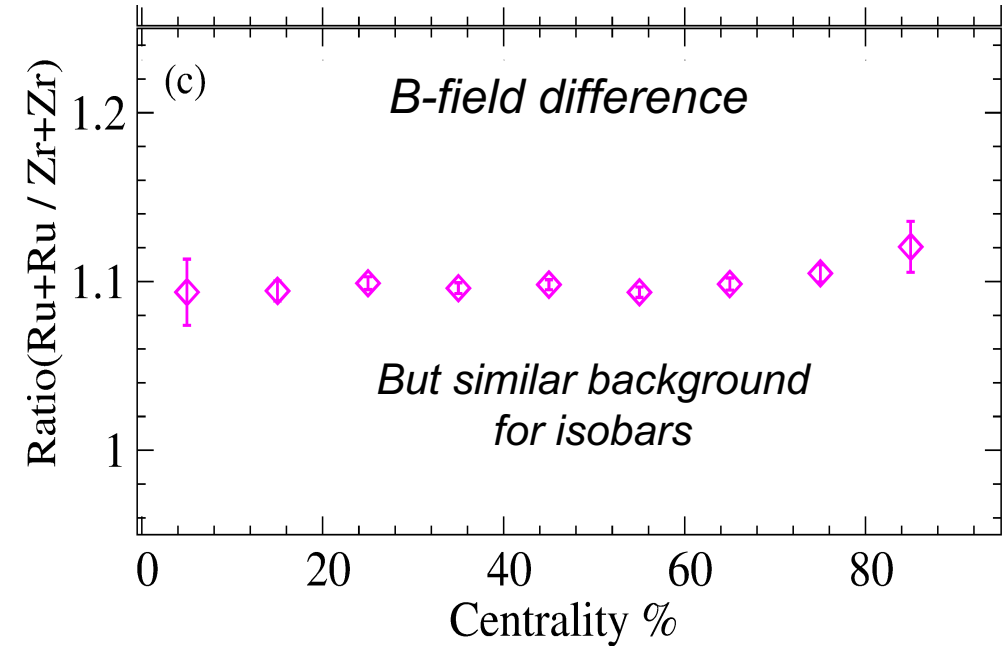
- ✓ *Will be reported shortly*
- ✓ *The observed patterns and trends are suggestive*

The $R_{\Psi_m}^{(1)}(\Delta S_1)$ Correlator - Isobars

AVFD predictions for the Ru+Ru and Zr+Zr isobaric systems



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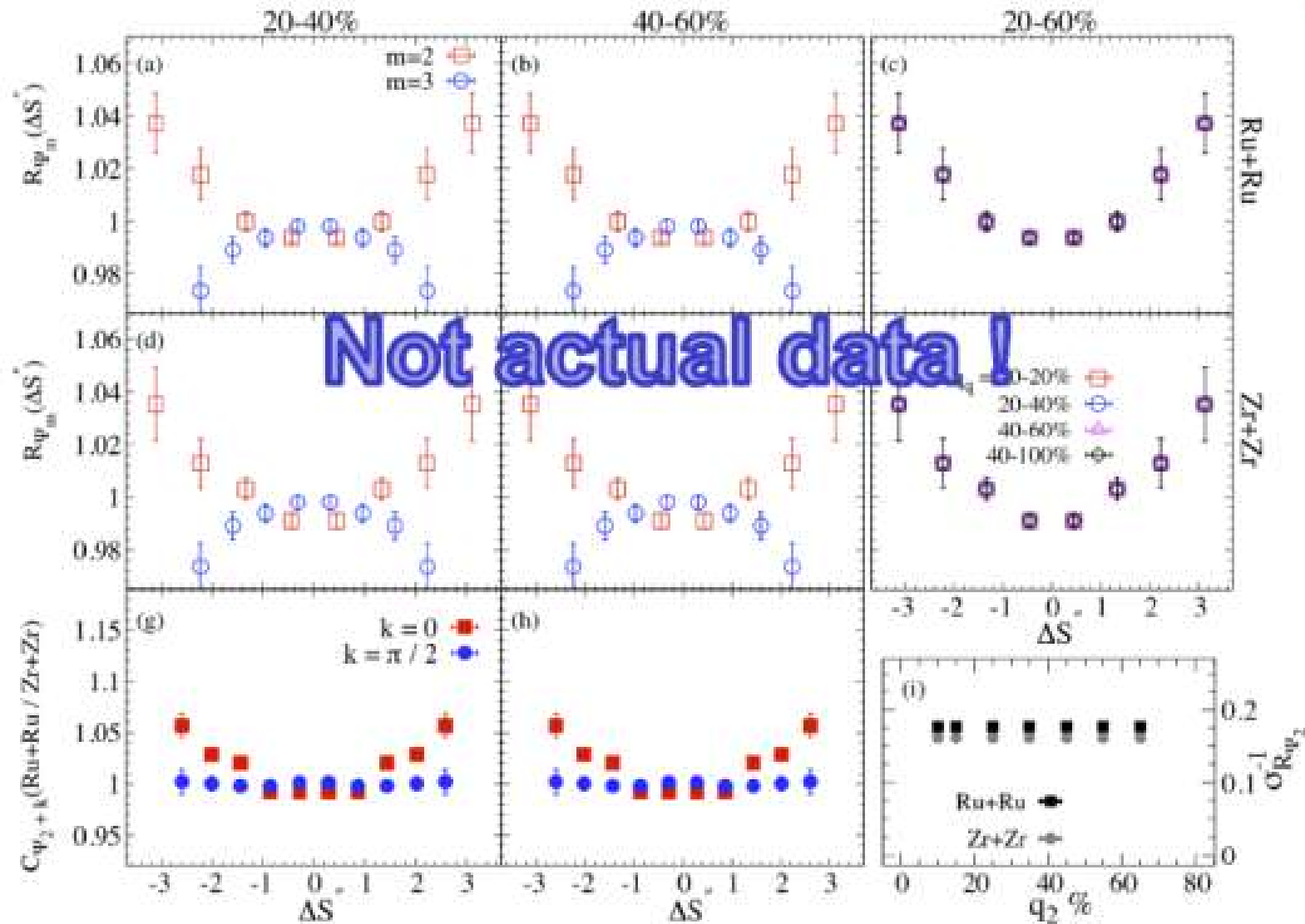
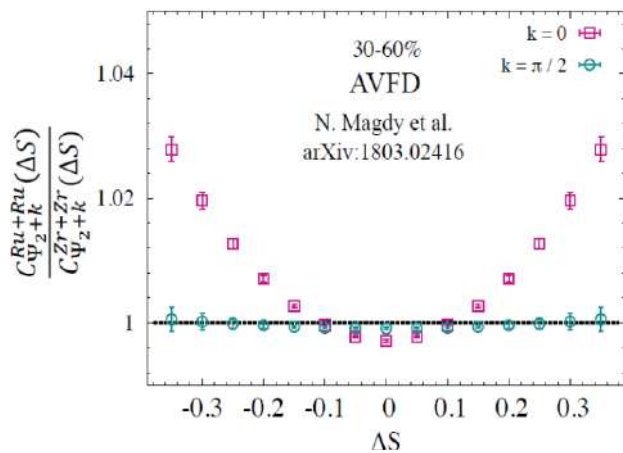


➤ Validation of the expected isobaric dependence of $R_{\Psi_2}(\Delta S)$ to CME-driven charge separation input in AVFD events.

Ongoing $R_{\psi_m}^{(d)}$ (ΔS_d) experimental measurements for Isobars

➤ Strategy

- ✓ Measure the signal for each isobar
- ✓ Measure the relative signal strength of the isobars
- ✓ Measure the relative background strength of the isobars



Measurements are underway

Summary

- A correlator $R_{\psi_m}^{(d)}(\Delta S_d)$, has been developed to enable identification and characterization of both CME- and CMW-driven charge separation
 - ✓ The correlator suppresses, as well as measures the well known background contributions to the CME- and CMW-driven charge separation signal
- Validation tests, performed with several models, indicate that the correlators can give;
 - ✓ discernible responses for background- and CME/CMW-driven charge separation which allows unambiguous identification and characterization of the respective signals
- **The experimentally measured correlators (to date) suggests the presence of a CME-driven charge separation in A+A collisions.**
 - ✓ **Experimental CMW measurements are complete and results will be released soon**
 - **The experimental measurements for isobars are in progress with great anticipation**

End