

Systematic Study of Elliptic Flow at RHIC-PHENIX

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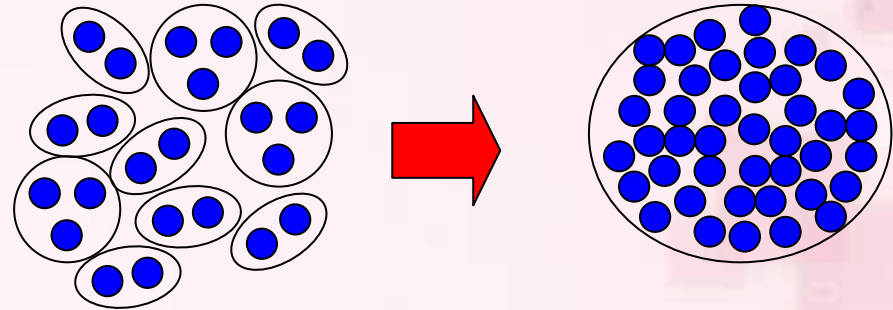
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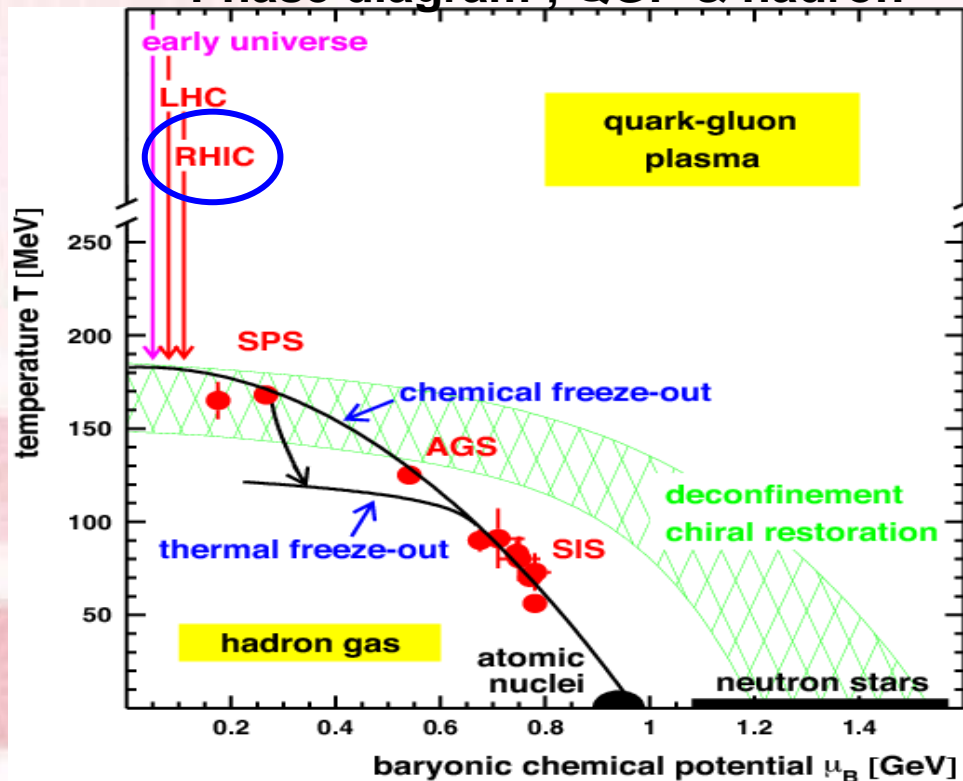
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➤ Conclusion

Quark Gluon Plasma (QGP)



Phase diagram ; QGP & hadron



➤ Prediction from Lattice QCD

$T \sim 170 \text{ MeV}$

$\sim 1.0 \text{ GeV/fm}^3$

Quarks become de-confined
Phase transition to QGP

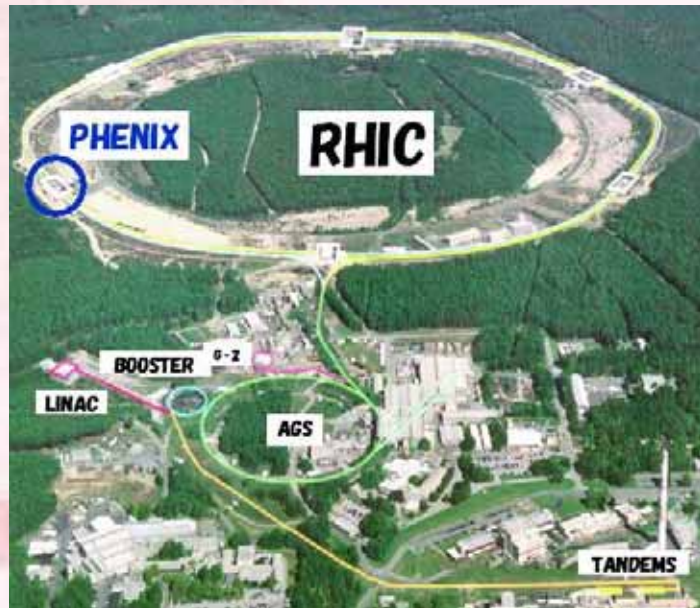
* Normal Nucleus: $\sim 0.2 \text{ GeV/fm}^3$

➤ High energy nuclear collision

Au+Au $\sqrt{s} = 200 \text{ GeV}$

● RHIC : $5 \sim 15 \text{ GeV/fm}^3$

Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider (RHIC)

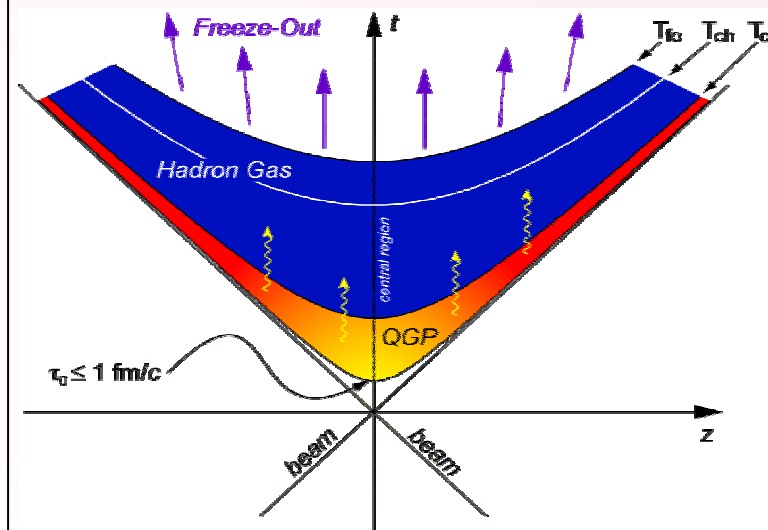


PHENIX Experiment



- Brookhaven National Laboratory
- First relativistic heavy ion collider in the world
- Circumference 3.83 km, 2 rings
- Collision species (Au+Au, Cu+Cu, d+Au, p+p)
- Energy (A+A); up to 100 GeV/nucleon
- PHENIX is the one of the main experiment group

Time-evolution after collision

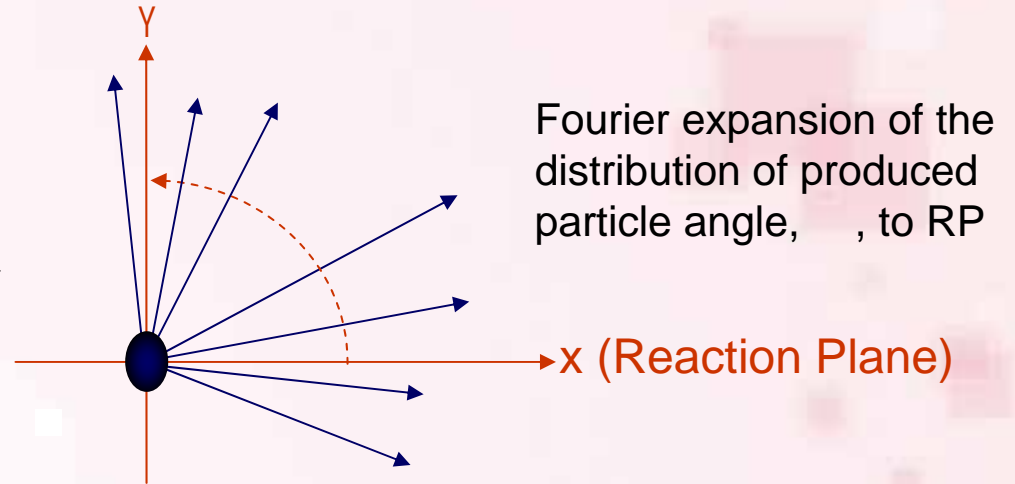
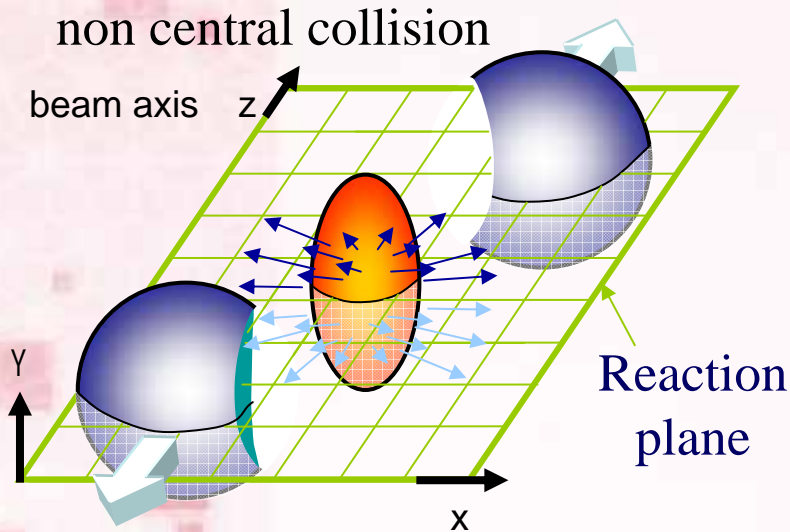


Thermal
freezeout
Chemical
freezeout
hadronization
QGP
thermal equilibrium
collision

Elliptic Flow (v_2)

v_2 is the strength of the elliptic anisotropy of produced particles.

A sensitive probe for studying properties of the hot dense matter made by heavy ion collisions.



$$\frac{dN}{d\phi} = n \left\{ 1 + \underline{2V_2} \cos [2(\phi - \Phi_{RP})] \right\}$$

v_2 is the coefficient of the second term
→ indicates ellipticity

If yield is (x direction) > (y direction), $v_2 > 0$.

The initial geometrical anisotropy is transferred by the pressure gradients into a momentum space anisotropy → the measured v_2 reflects the dense matter produced in the collisions.

Motivation

From the results at 200GeV

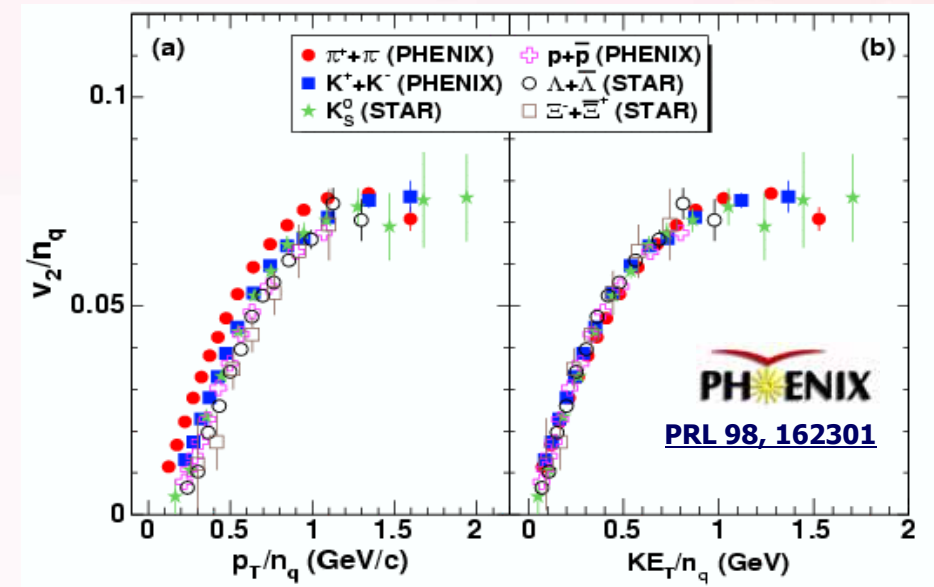
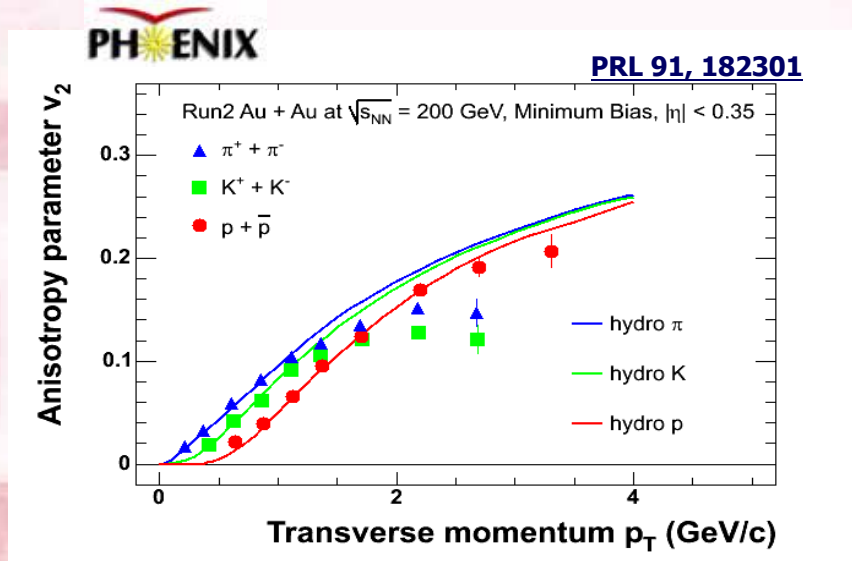
v_2 at low p_T ($< \sim 2$ GeV/c)

can be explained by a hydro-dynamical model

v_2 at mid p_T ($< 4 \sim 6$ GeV/c)

is consistent with recombination model

The results are consistent with Quark number + KE_T scaling.



How about other systems and energies !?

$KE_T = mT - m_0$

Results

- Energy dependence
- System size dependence
 - Eccentricity scaling
- Universal v_2
 - Quark number + K_{ET} scaling
 - Universal scaling

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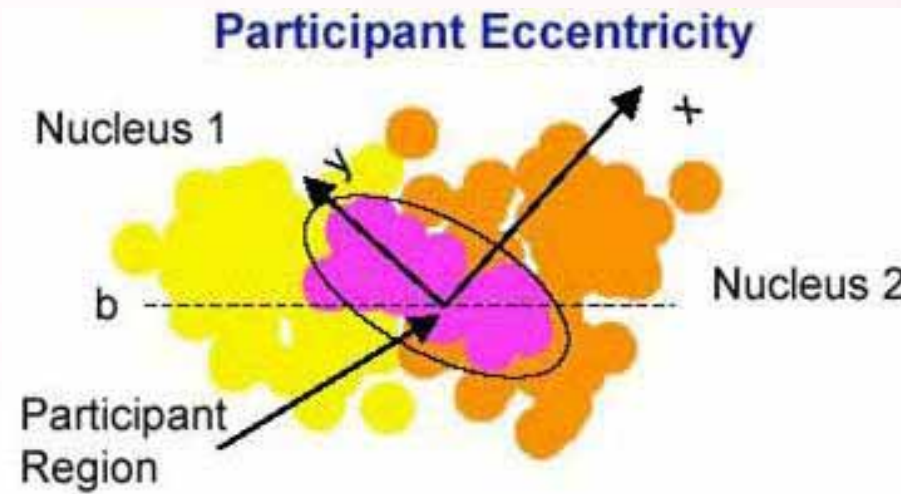
N_{part} --- Number of nucleons participating the collision

N_{coll} --- Number of binary collisions

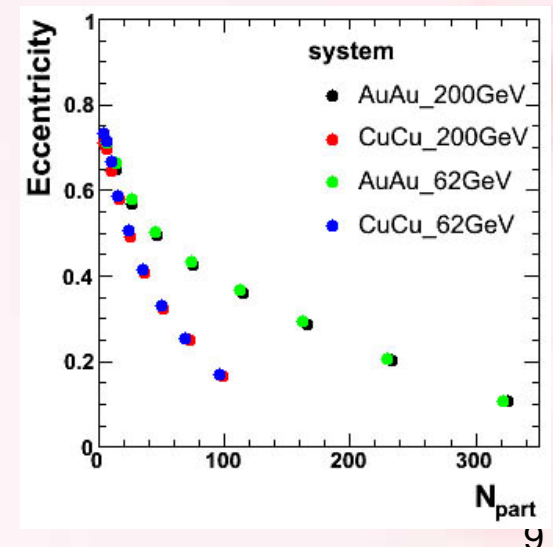
eccentricity(ε) --- geometrical eccentricity of participant nucleons

$$\varepsilon = \frac{\langle y^2 \rangle - \langle x^2 \rangle}{\langle y^2 \rangle + \langle x^2 \rangle}$$


- Nucleus formed by wood-Saxon shape
- Monte-Carlo simulation with Glauber model
- Participant eccentricity which is calculated with long and short axis determined by distribution of participants at each collision.



ε vs. N_{part}



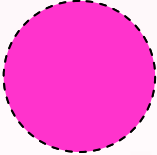


Comparison Table

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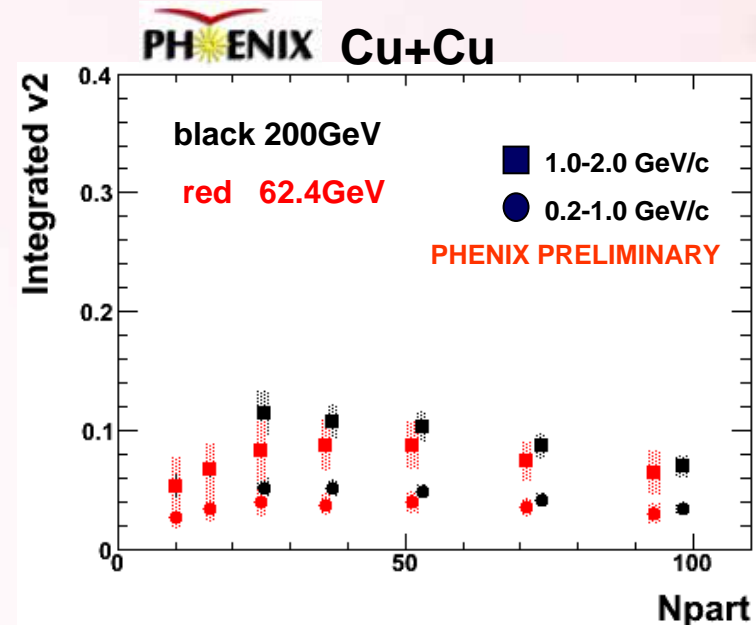
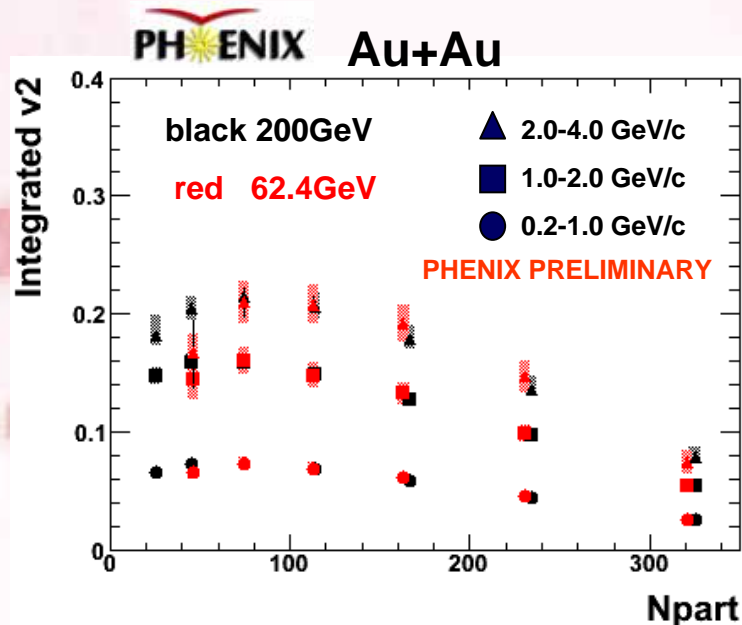


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Energy dependence

Comparison of
 $\sqrt{s} = 62.4$ and 200 GeV

- dependence of centrality (Npart)
- compare the results in Cu + Cu which is smaller collision size than Au+Au
- comparison of PID hadrons. pi/K/p → next page



v_2 of 200GeV and 62GeV are consistent

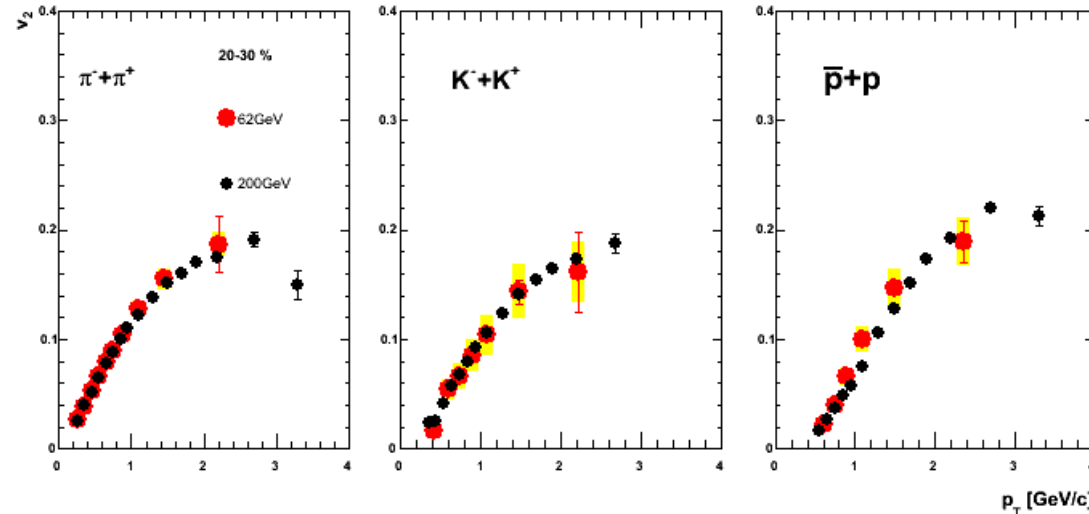
Energy dependence

- identified hadrons ($\pi/K/p$)
- p_T dependence

PHENIX

Au+Au v_2 vs. p_T

PHENIX PRELIMINARY

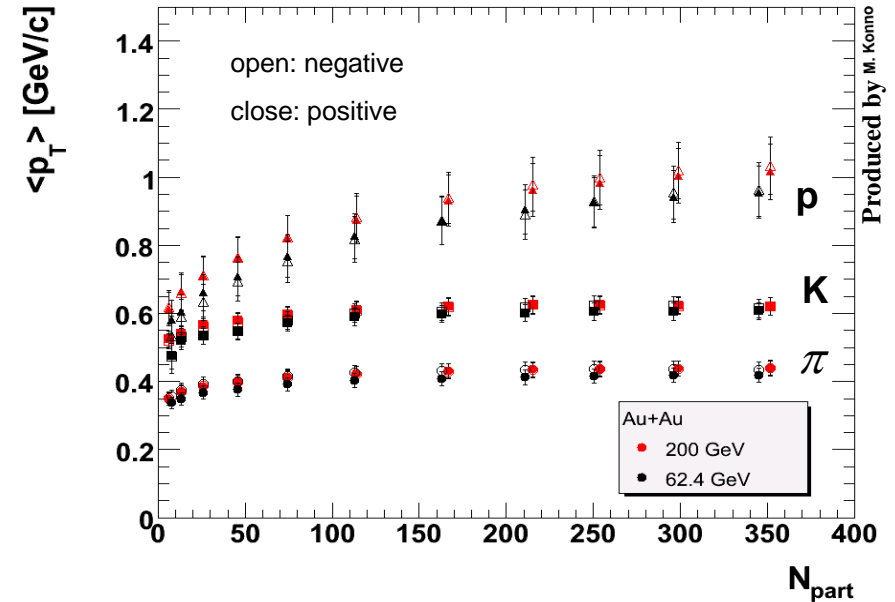


$\langle p_T \rangle$ of 62.4 GeV and 200 GeV are consistent within errors on $\pi/K/p$.
Therefore v_2 agree at any p_T region in figures.

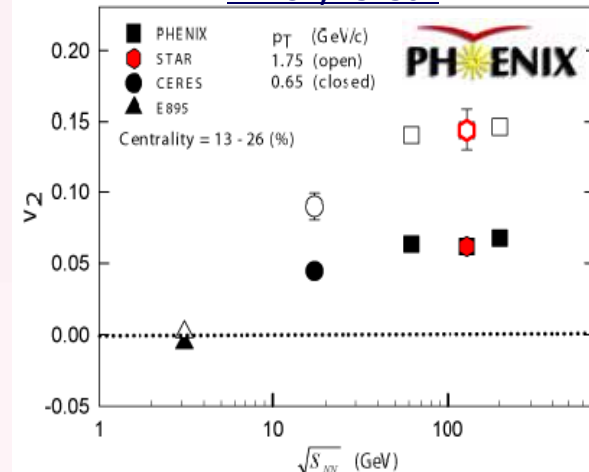
v_2 of $\sqrt{s} = 17\text{GeV}$ (SPS) decreases to about 50% of RHIC energies.
Higher collision energy has larger v_2 up to RHIC energy.
Above 62.4 GeV, v_2 is saturated.

→ indicate the matter reached thermal equilibrium state at RHIC

Mean p_T



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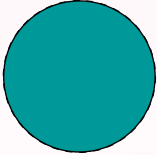





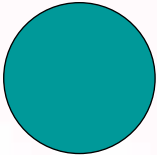




System Size Dependence

➤ Eccentricity Scaling

What can change the size of collision system.

- Species of collision nucleus (Au+Au ,Cu+Cu)
- Centrality

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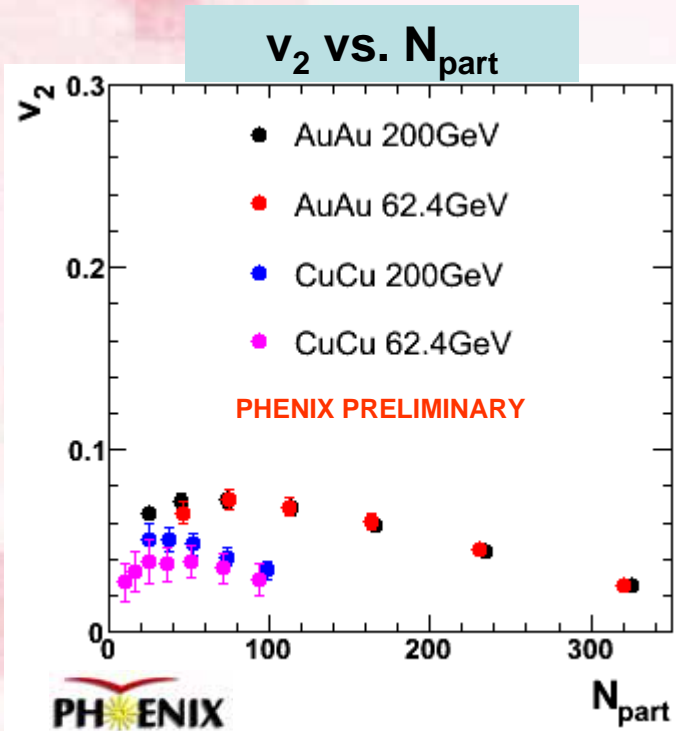
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System size dependence

Compare v_2 normalized by eccentricity (ε) in the collisions of different size.

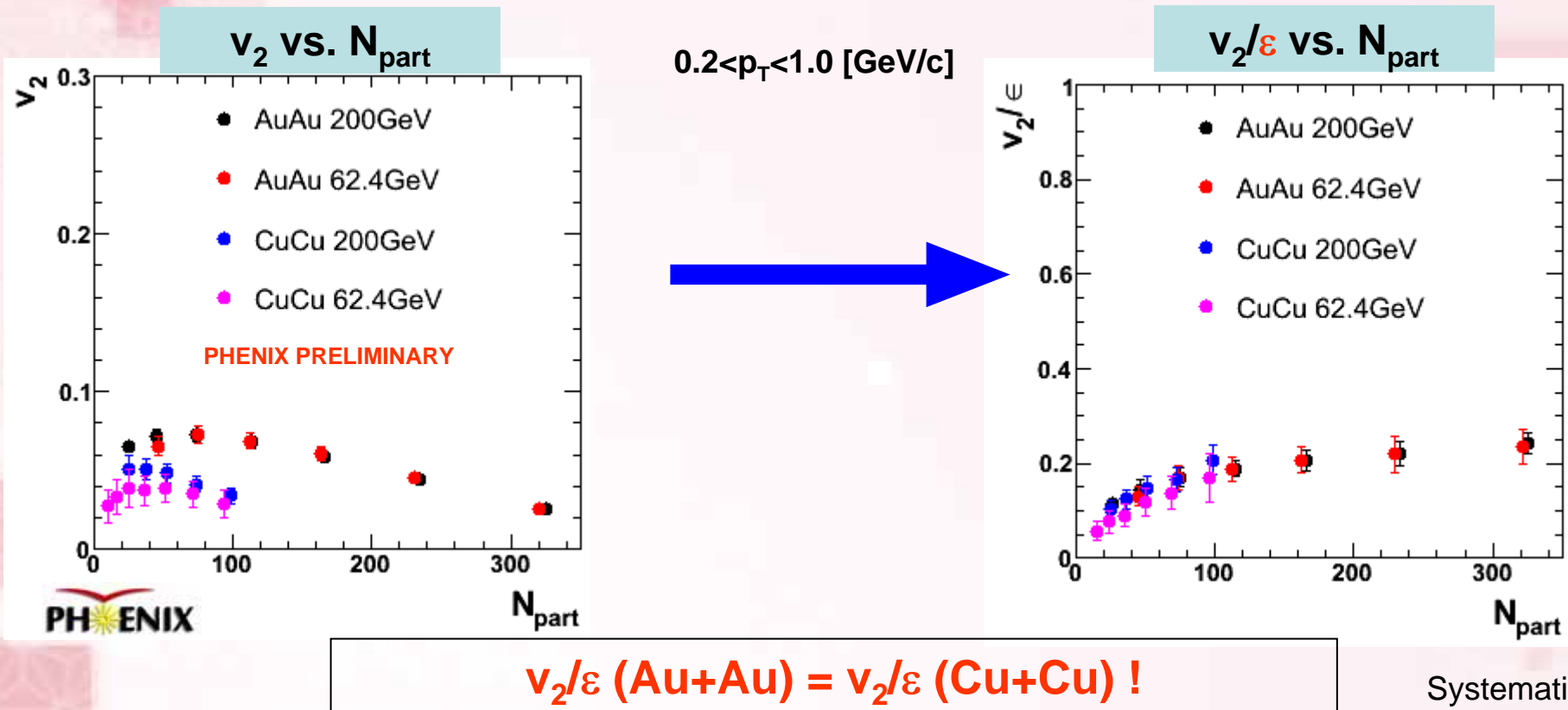


$0.2 < p_T < 1.0$ [GeV/c]



System size dependence

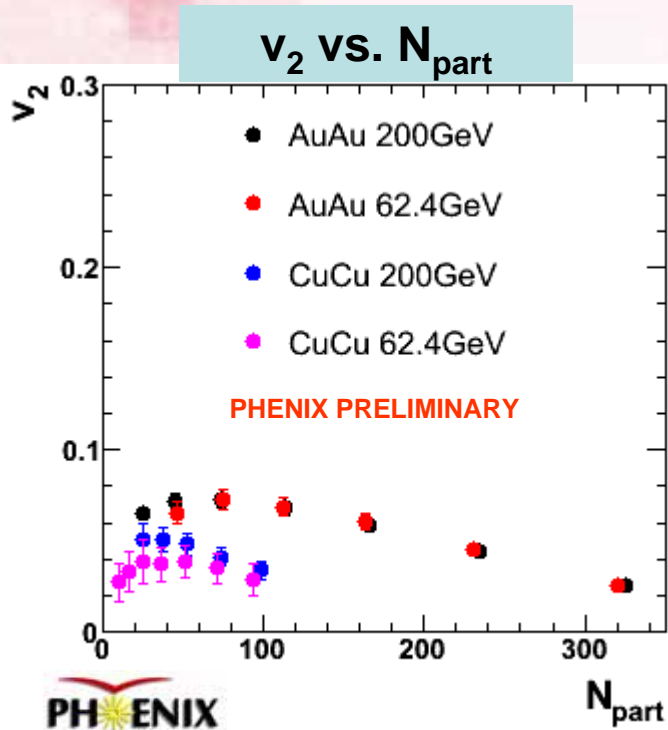
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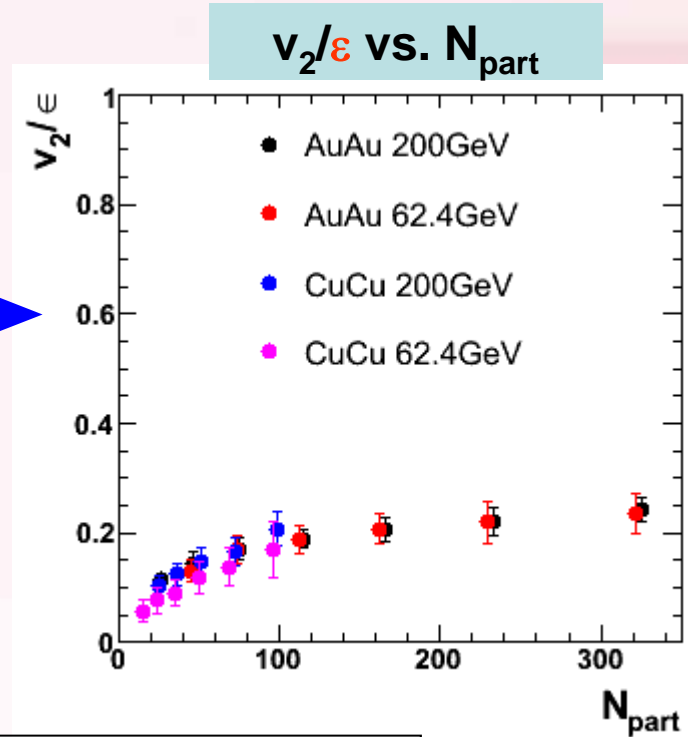
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$$v_2/\epsilon (\text{Au+Au}) = v_2/\epsilon (\text{Cu+Cu}) !$$

but v_2/ϵ is not constant and it shades depending on N_{part} .

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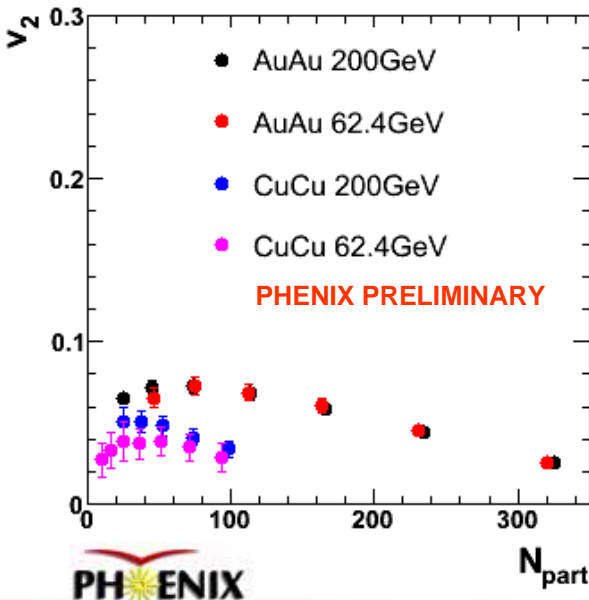
**$\rightarrow v_2$ can be normalized by ϵ at same N_{part} ,
but ϵ is not enough to determine v_2 .**

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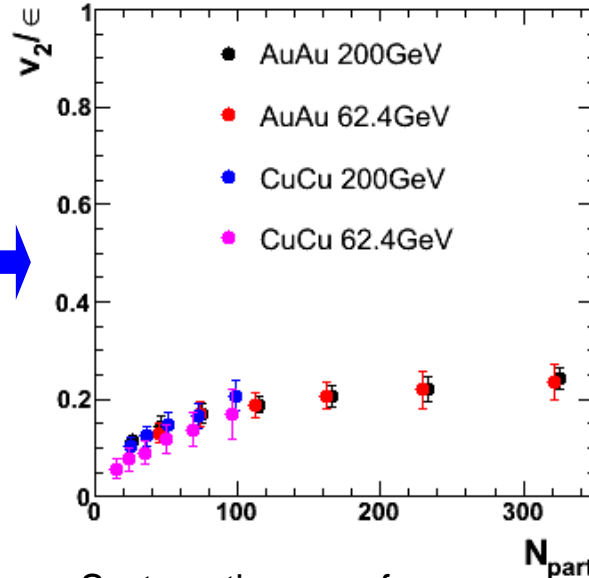
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Dividing by $N_{\text{part}}^{1/3}$

v_2 vs. N_{part}

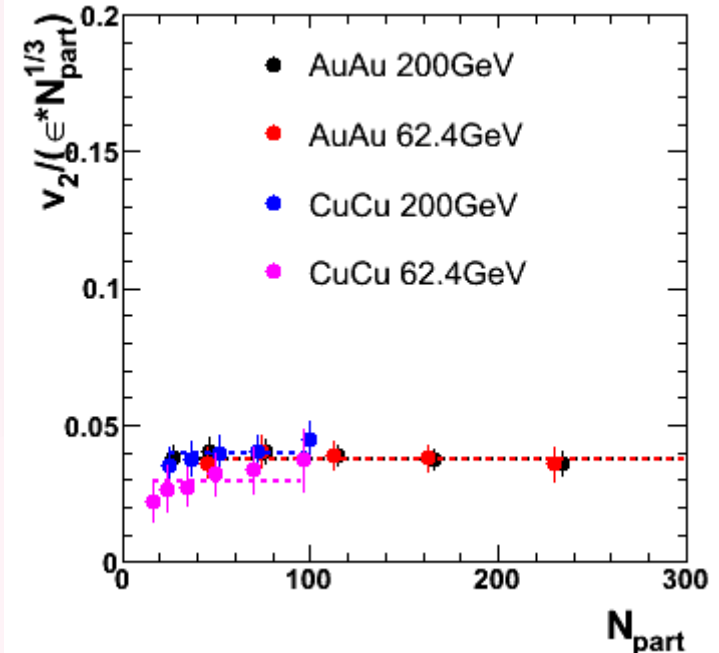


v_2/ϵ vs. N_{part}



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$v_2/\epsilon/N_{\text{part}}^{1/3}$ vs. N_{part}



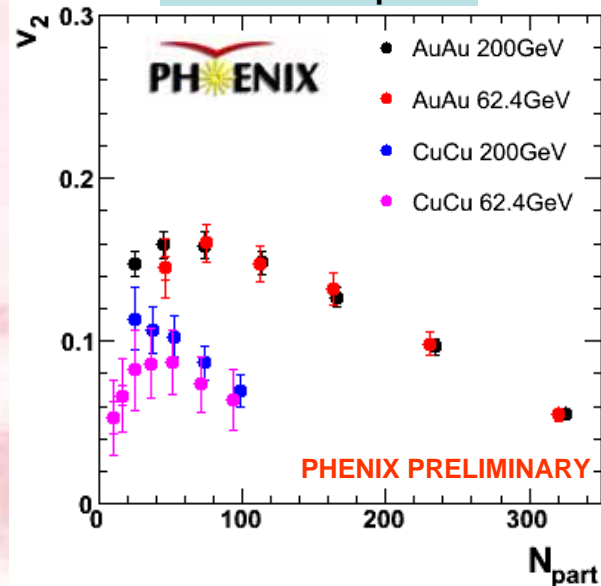
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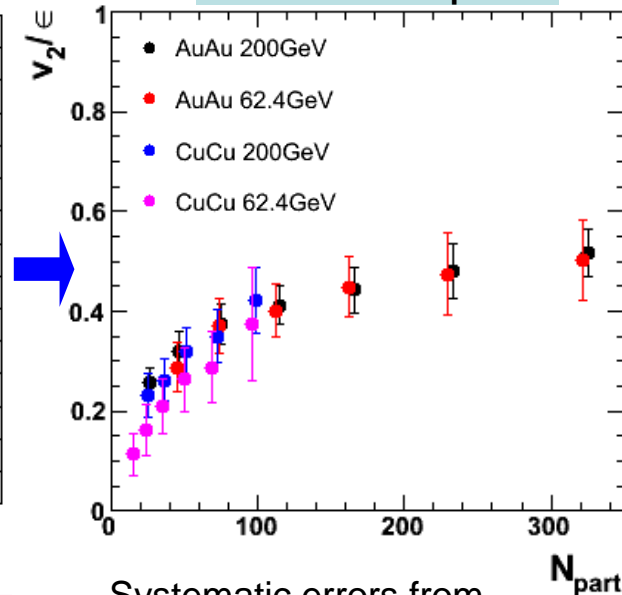
$1.0 < p_T < 2.0$ [GeV/c]

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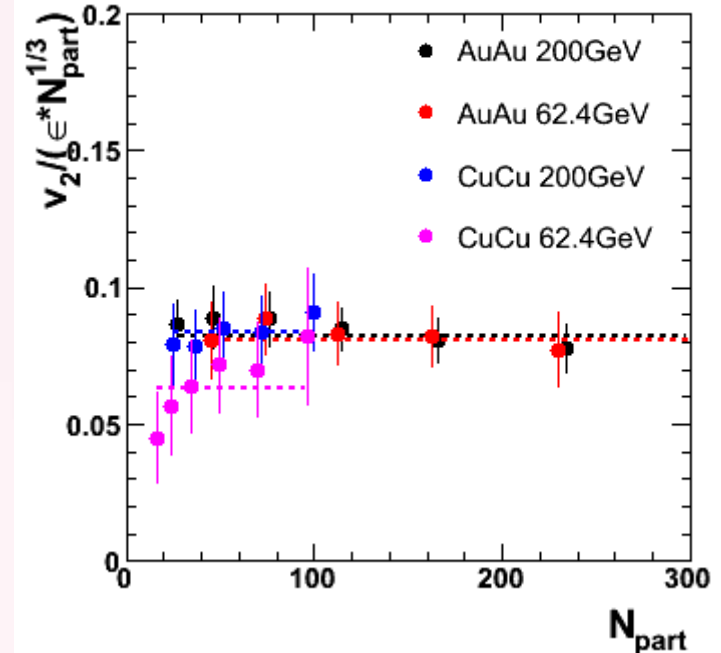


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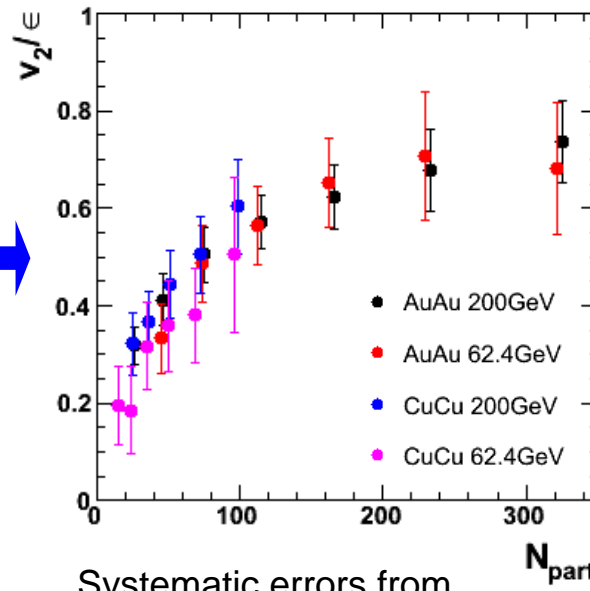
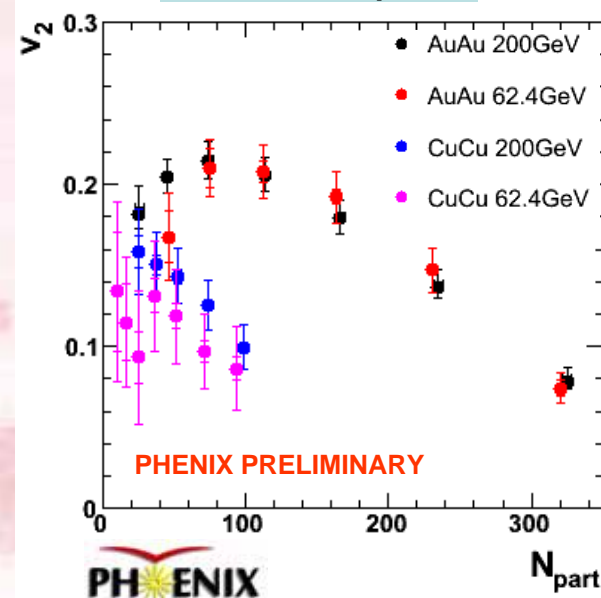
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Dividing by $N_{\text{part}}^{1/3}$

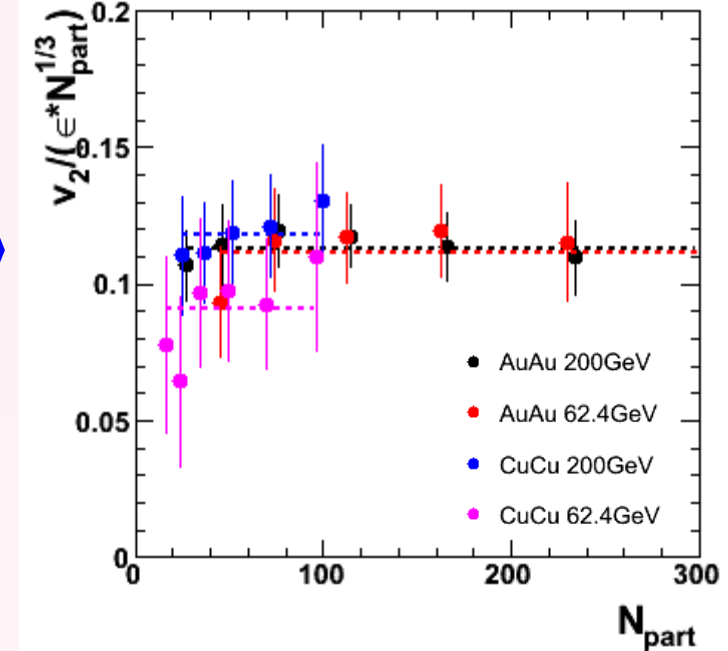
v_2 vs. N_{part}

v_2/ϵ vs. N_{part}

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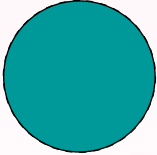





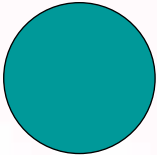






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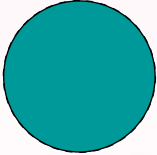






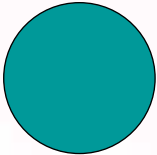





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Universal v_2

- Quark number + K_{ET} scaling
- Universal Scaling

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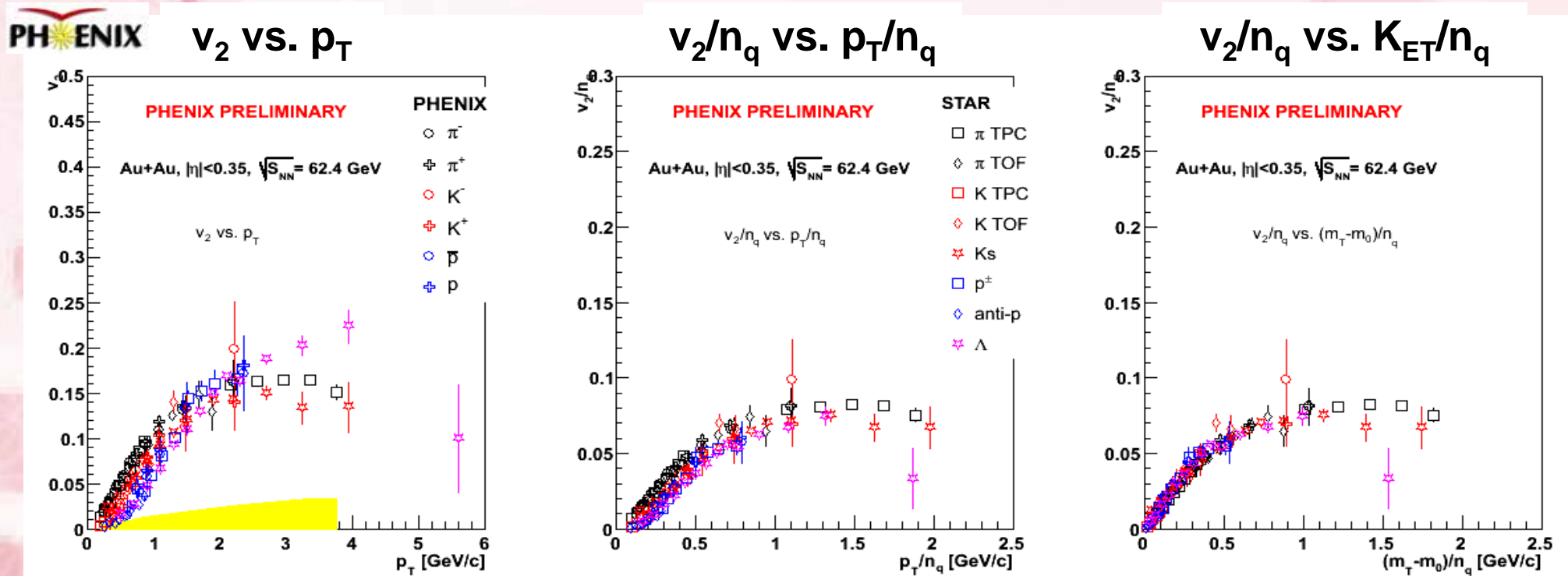
Quark number + K_{ET} scaling (AuAu 62.4 GeV)

PHENIX: Error bars include both statistical and systematic errors.

Centrality 10-40 %

STAR: Error bars include statistical errors. Yellow band indicates systematic errors.

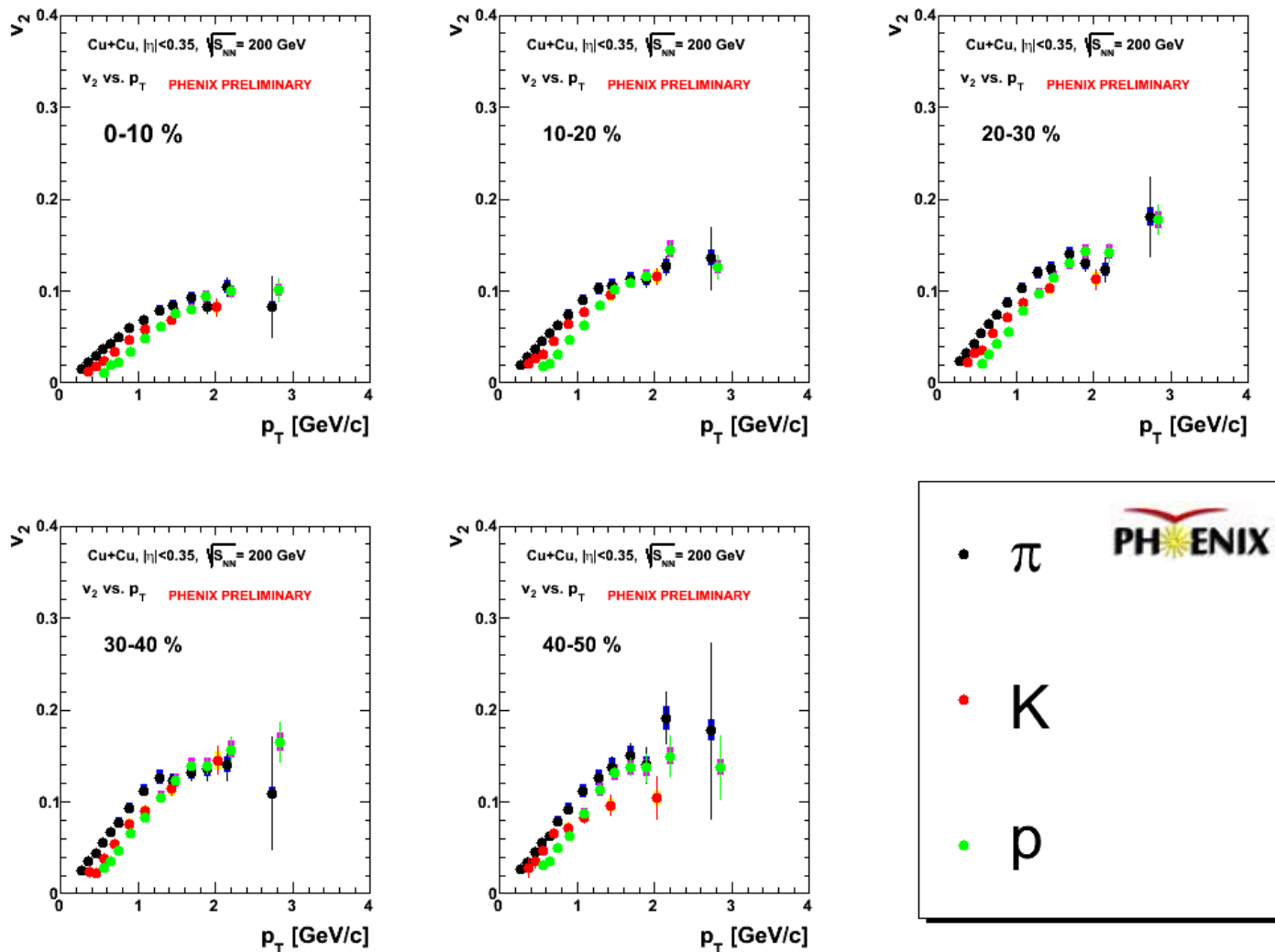
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quark number + K_{ET} scaling is OK at 62.4 GeV, too!

$v_2(p_T)/n_{\text{quark}}$ vs. K_{ET}/n_{quark} is the universal curve independent on particle species.

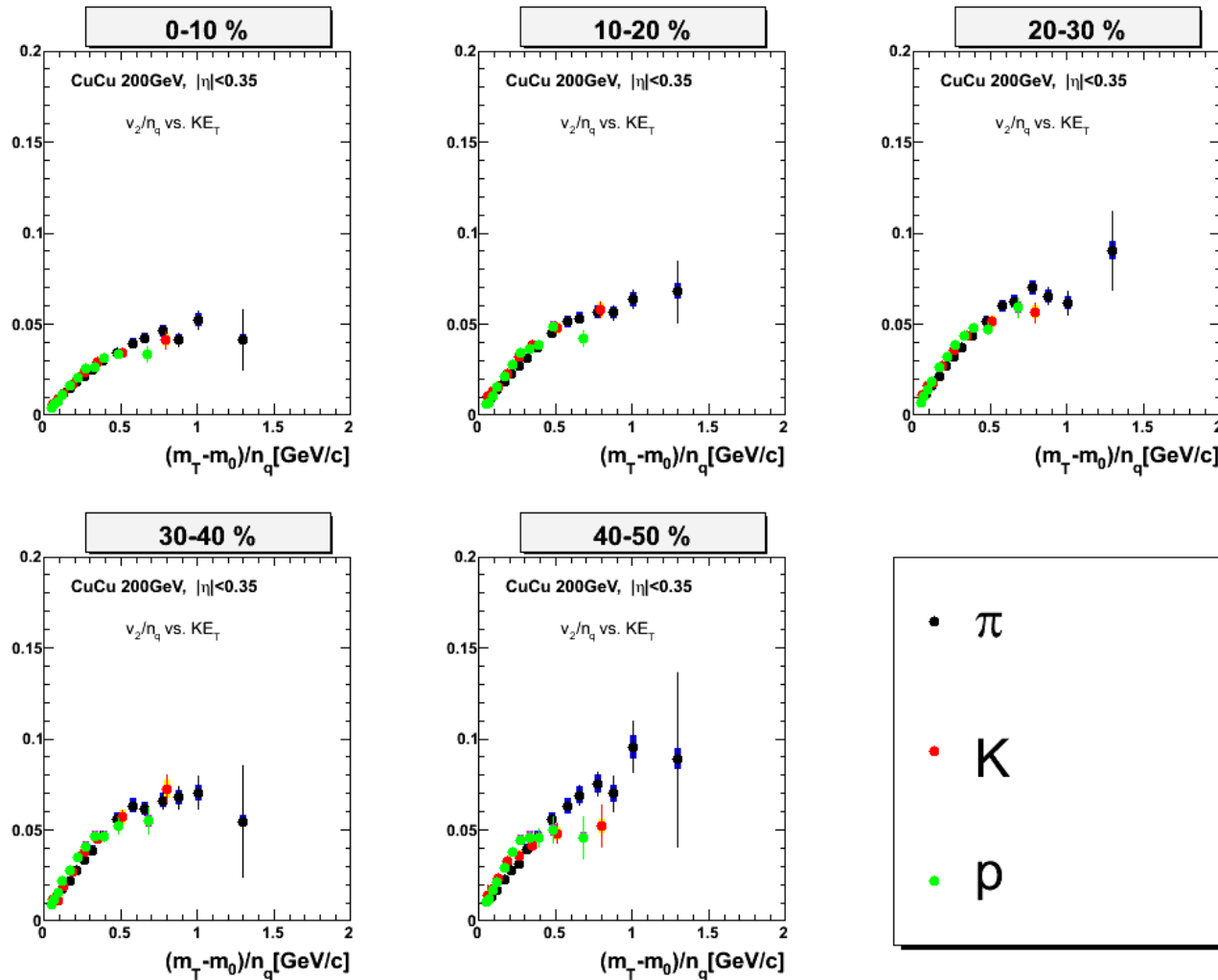
v2 vs. pT at Cu+Cu in 200GeV collision



Centrality dependence of PID v2 vs. pT for Cu+Cu 200GeV is measured.

Quark number + K_{ET} scaling

Cu+Cu $\sqrt{s} = 200\text{GeV}$



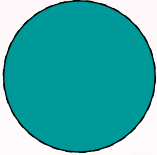






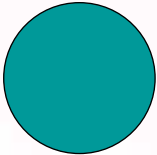





At all centrality, (between 0- 50 %) v_2 of $\pi/K/p$ is consistent to quark number + K_{ET} scaling.

quark number + K_{ET} scaling seems to work out at Cu+Cu 200GeV.

Summary of Scaling

- Collision energy → no change
- Eccentricity of participants → eccentricity scaling
- Particle species → $n_q + K_{ET}$ scaling
- Number of participants → $N_{part}^{1/3}$ scaling

Comparison Table

	Energy	Particle species	Size	Centrality
			System (CuCu, AuAu)	
scaling	no change	$n_q + K_{ET}$	eccentricity	$N_{part}^{1/3}$
AuAu 200				
AuAu 62				
CuCu 200				
CuCu 62				

 Already known

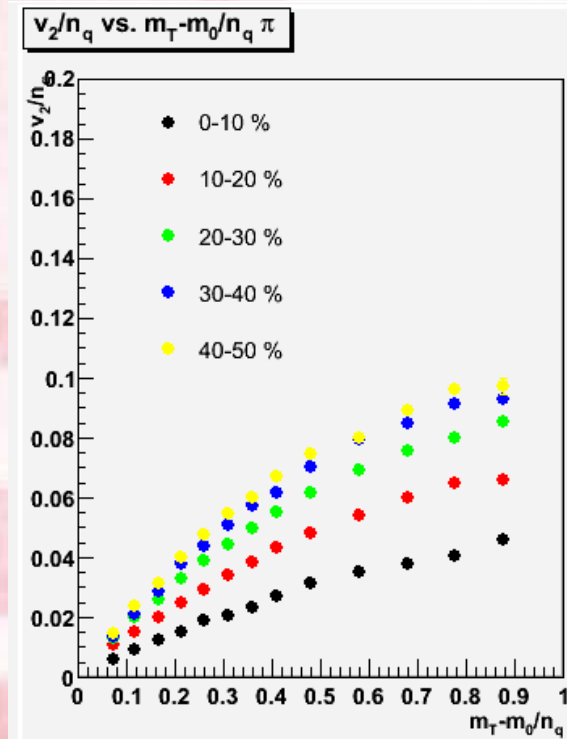
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Universal Scaling

ex. Au+Au 200GeV π

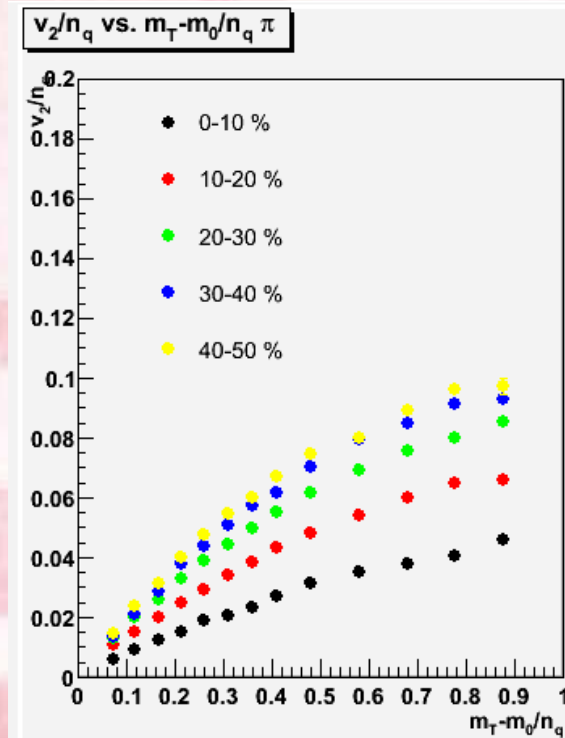
quark number + K_{ET} scaling.



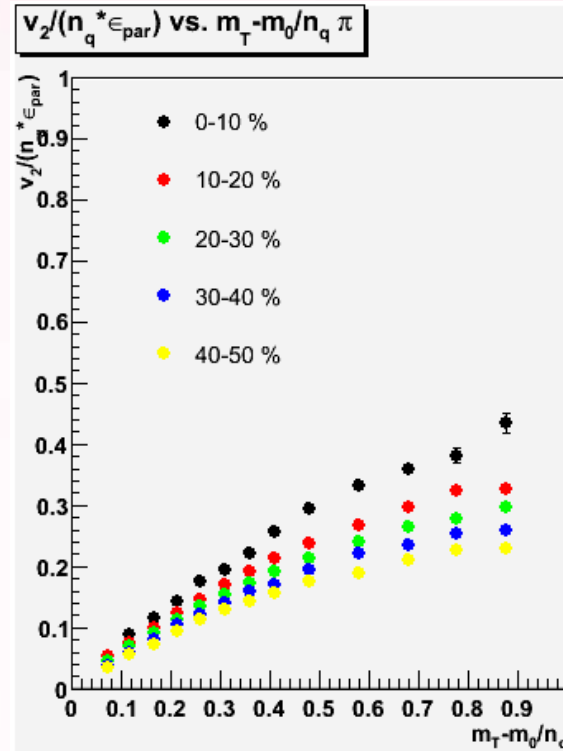
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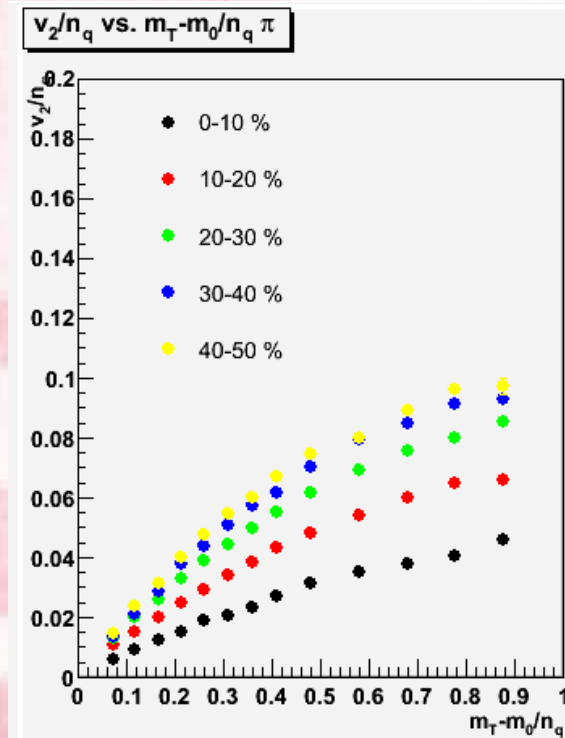
+ eccentricity scaling



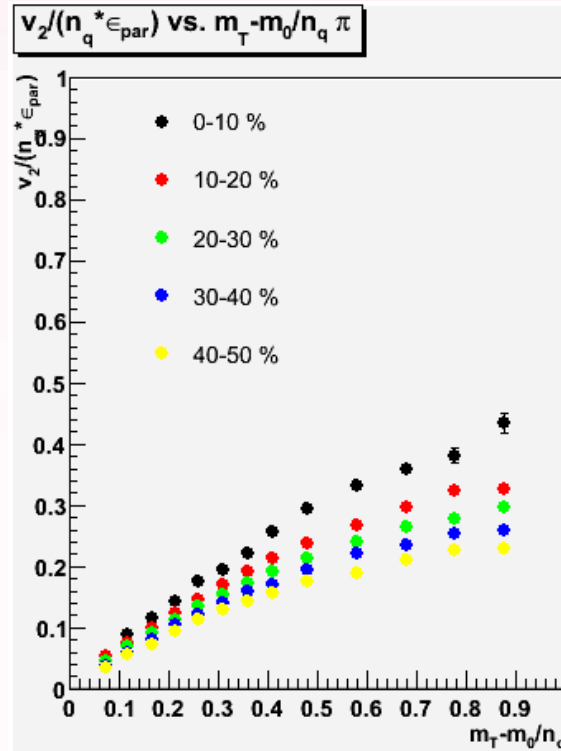
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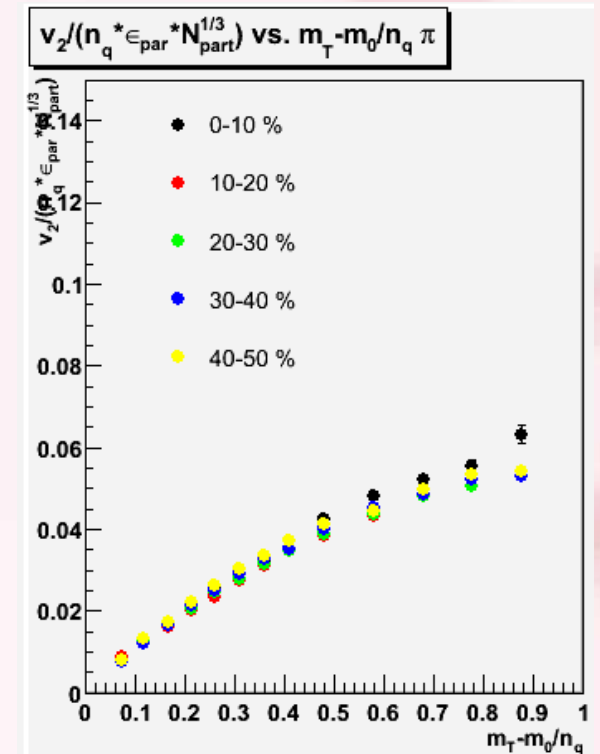
quark number + K_{ET} scaling.



+ eccentricity scaling

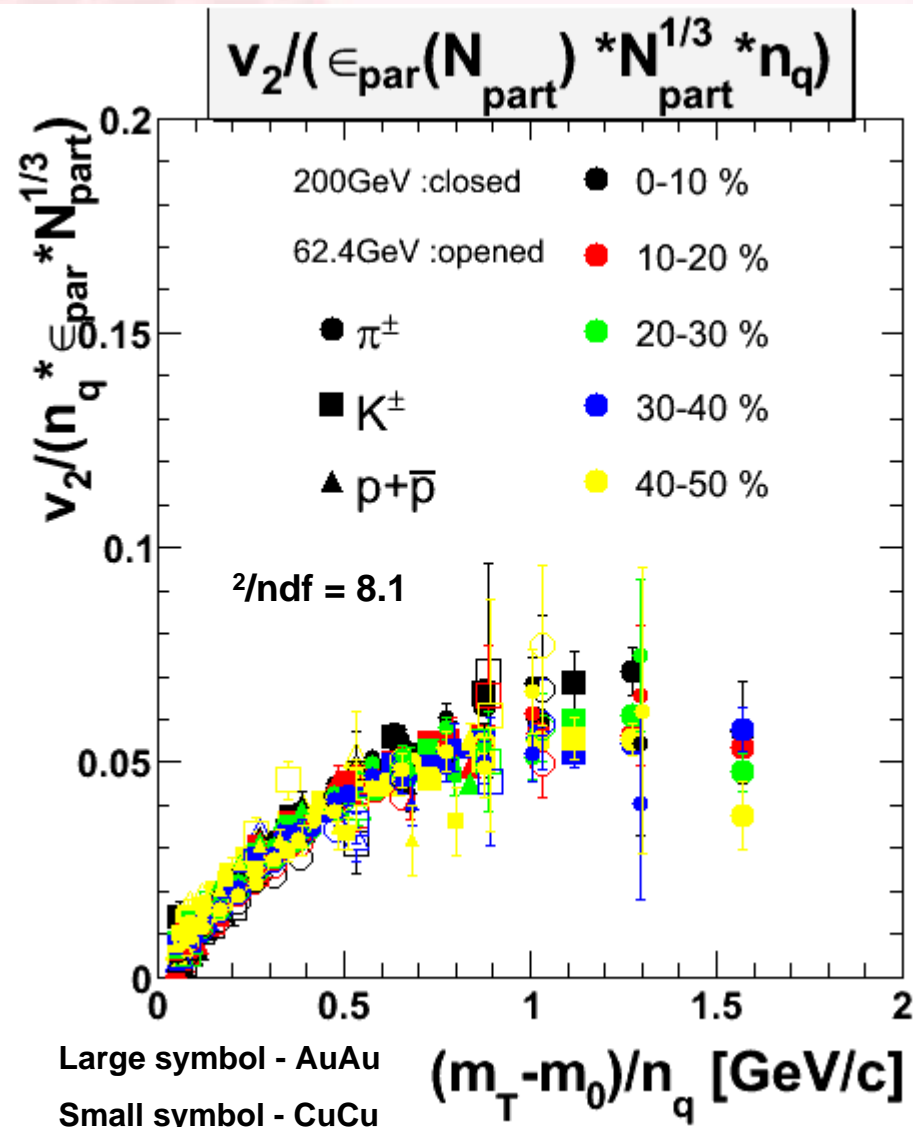


+ $N_{part}^{1/3}$ scaling



$v_2(K_{ET}/n_q)/n_q/\epsilon_{par}/N_{part}^{1/3}$ is consistent at 0-50% centralities.

Universal Scaling



- ◆ Different System (Au+Au, Cu+Cu)
- ◆ Different Energy (200GeV - 62.4GeV)
- ◆ Different Centrality (0-50%)
- ◆ Different particles ($\pi/ K / p$)

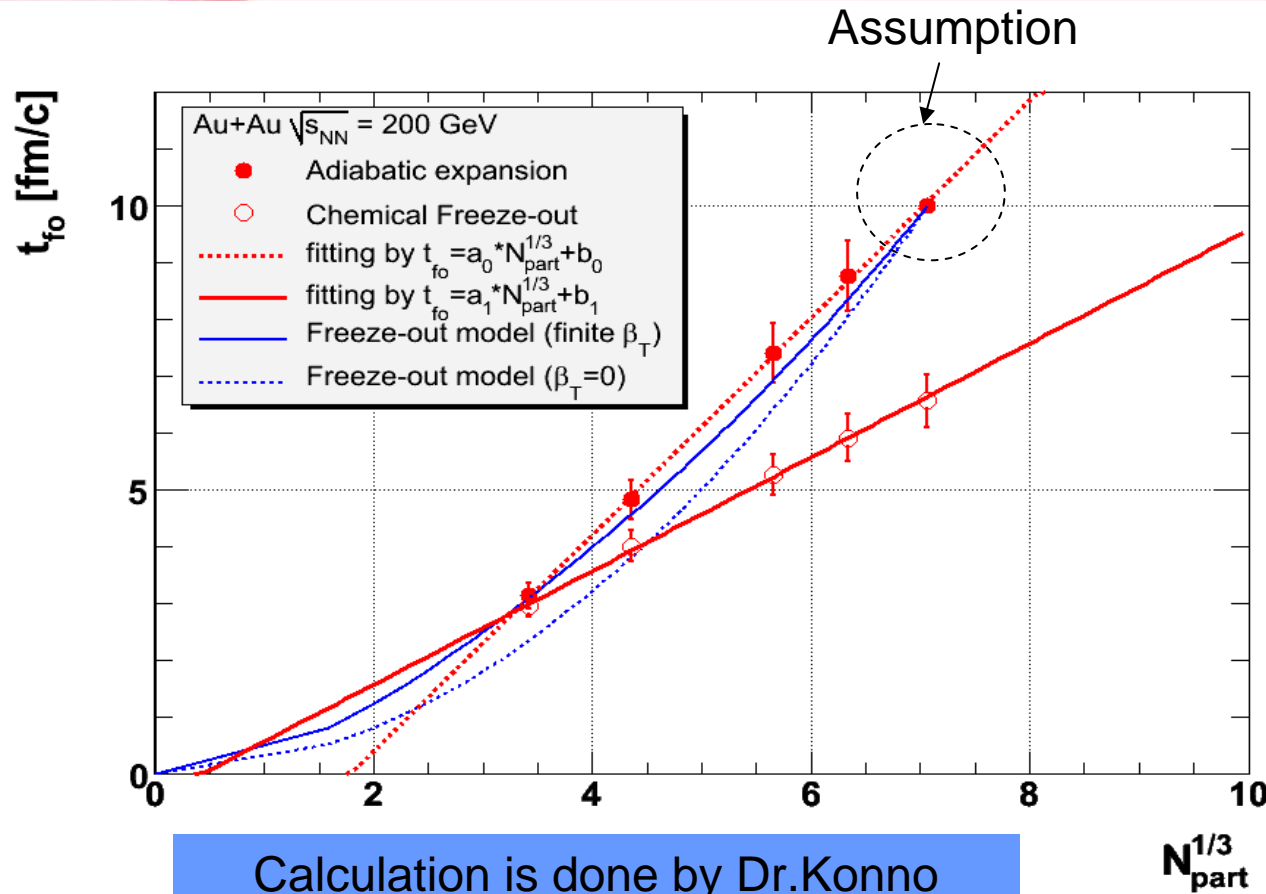
$$\frac{v_2(K_{ET} / n_q)}{n_q \times \epsilon \times N_{\text{part}}^{1/3}}$$

Universal Curve !!

Conclusion

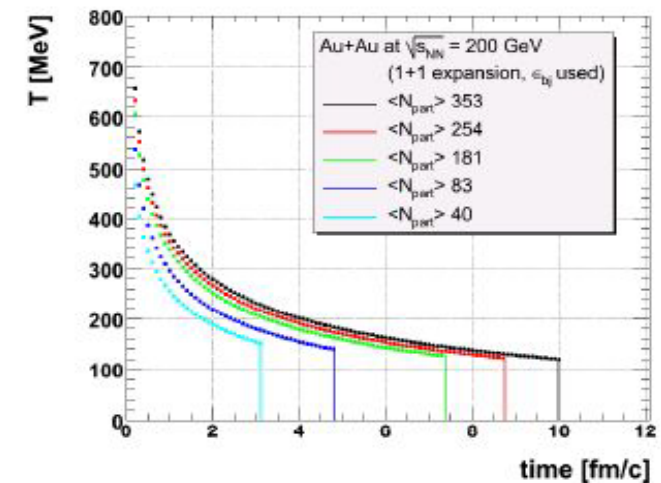
- v_2 were measured at 4 systems.
 - (Au+Au, Cu+Cu) x (62.4GeV, 200GeV)
- Same $v_2(p_T)$ are obtained in different collision energies ($\sqrt{s} = 62.4 - 200\text{GeV}$)
- $v_2(p_T)$ of various hadron species are scaled by quark number + K_{ET} scaling at these three systems. (no results for Cu+Cu 62.4GeV)
- $v_2(N_{part})$ scaled by participant Eccentricity are consistent between Au+Au and Cu+Cu collisions
- $v_2(p_T) / \epsilon_{par}$ are scaled by $N_{part}^{1/3}$.
- $v_2(K_{ET}/n_q)/n_q/\epsilon_{par}/N_{part}^{1/3}$ has **Universal Curve**.
 - ➔ This indicates v_2 are determined by the initial geometrical anisotropy and its time evolution effect depending on the initial volume.

Calculation by simple expansion model



$$T(t) = T_0 \left(\frac{t_0(R_0 + \beta_T t_0)^2}{t(R_0 + \beta_T t)^2} \right)^{1/3}$$

$$t_{fo} = (\sqrt{R_0^2 + 4\beta_T K N_p} - R_0) / 2\beta_T$$



Time until chemical freeze-out is proportional to $N_{part}^{1/3}$.

Summary of v_2 production and development

Low to mid p_T

Time t

collision

Determine initial geometrical eccentricity, ε , with the participant.

thermal equilibrium

Determine pressure gradient from ε .

expanding

v_2 is expanding during finite time.

Not depending on the kind of quarks.

hadronization

This finite time becomes longer with larger collision system, and the v_2 increases proportionally.

freeze out

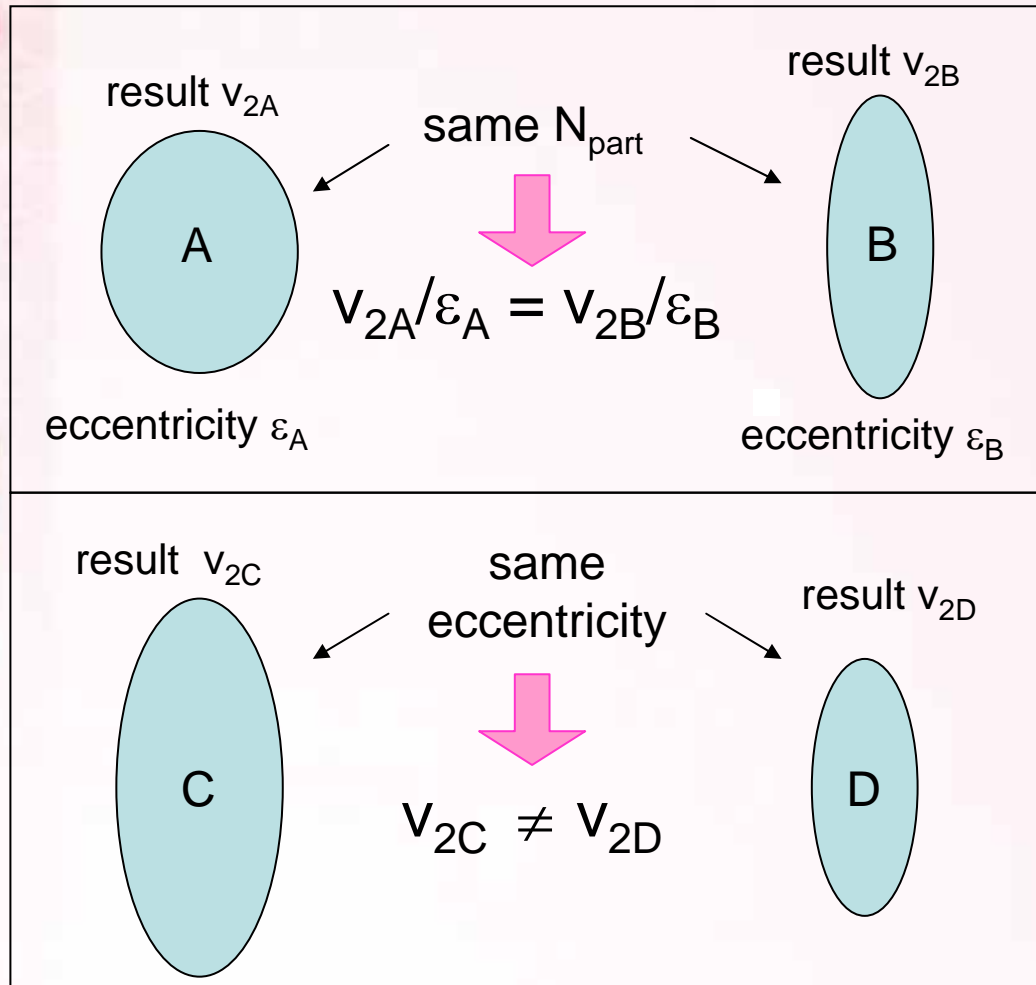
radial flow depending on each mass expands.

No change

Measurement

Summary (1)

When the systems have same N_{part} , v_2 is scaled by ε of participant geometry.

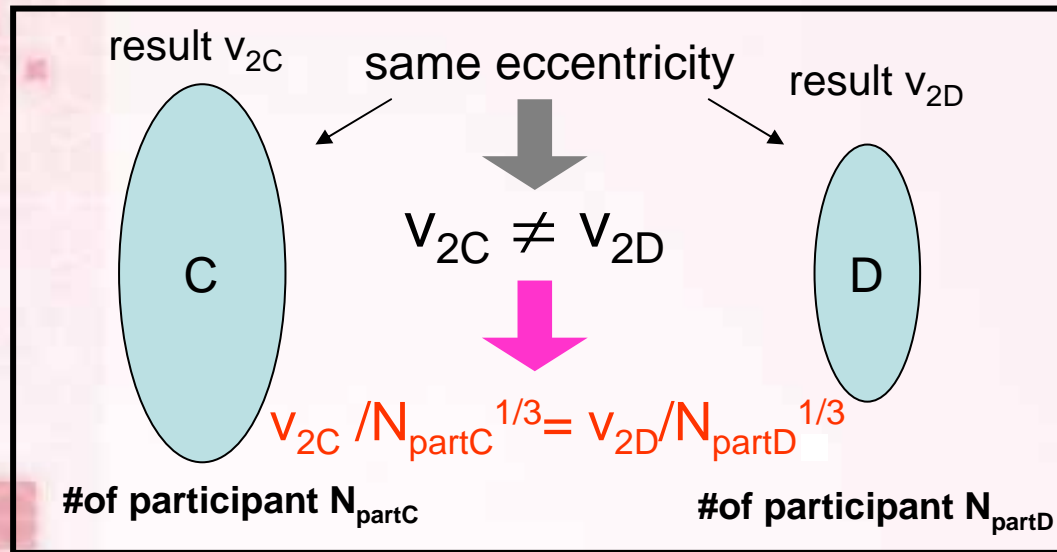


If v_2 only depends on eccentricity of initial participant geometry, v_2/ε should be constant at any N_{part} , but it is not.

Therefore, to explain v_2 , in addition to the initial geometrical eccentricity, there are something related to N_{part} .

Summary (2)

With same eccentricity, v_2 is scaled by (number of participants) $^{1/3}$.

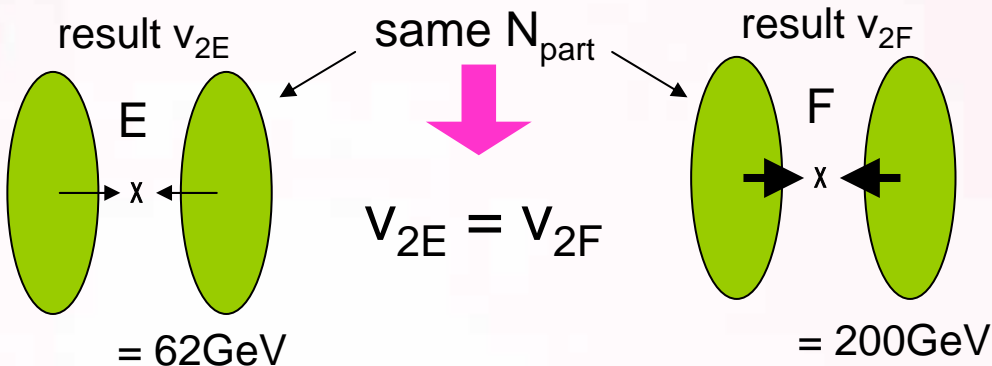


v_2 becomes consistent after scaled by not only ϵ but also $N_{part}^{1/3}$.

Is it because of thickness increasing along beam axis then energy per unit area increasing ?

$$v_2(200\text{GeV}) = v_2(62.4\text{GeV})$$

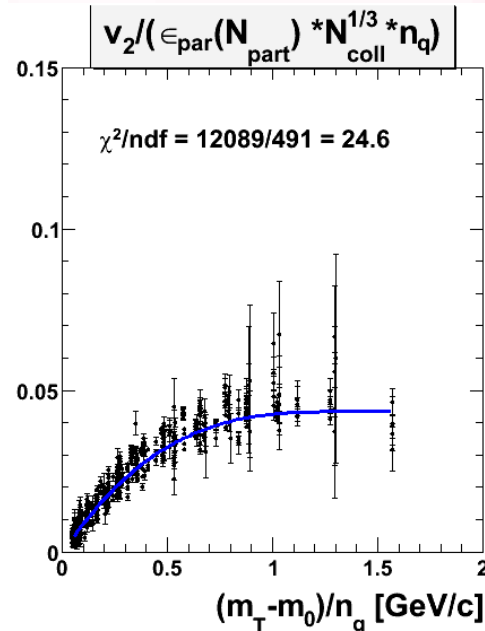
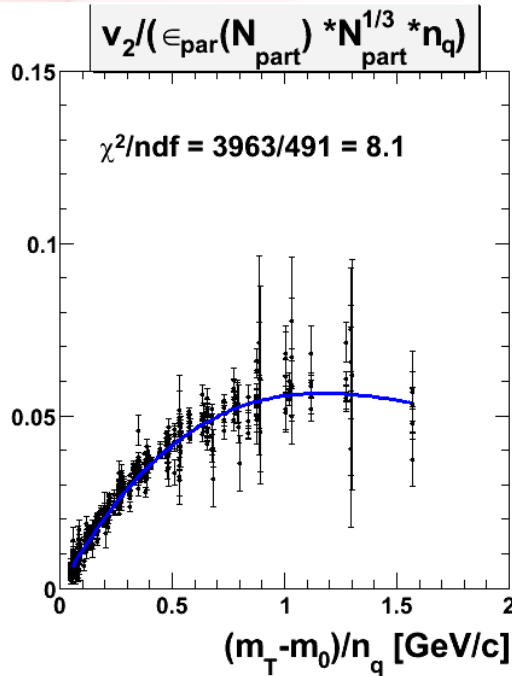
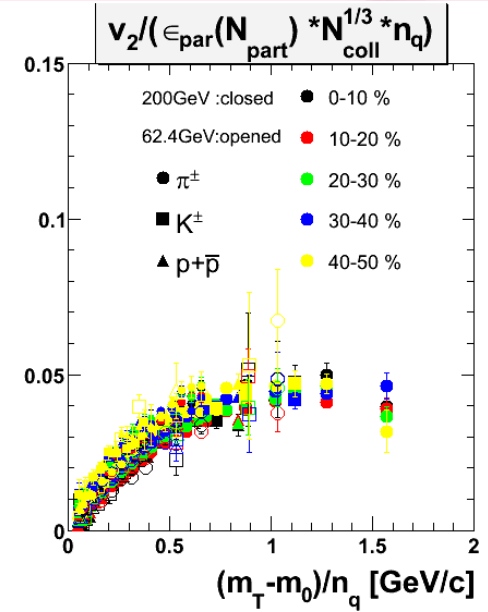
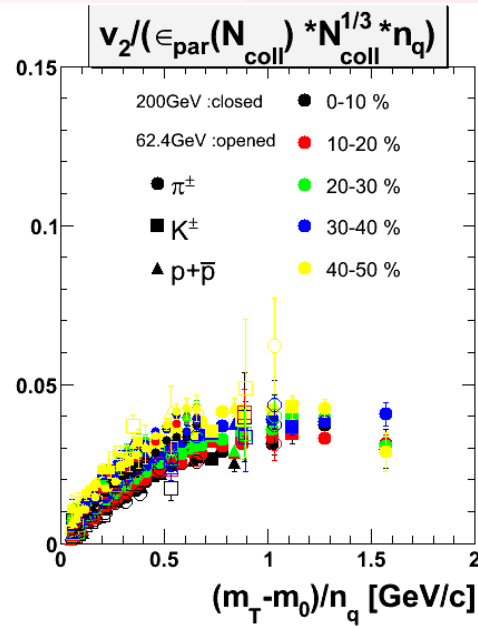
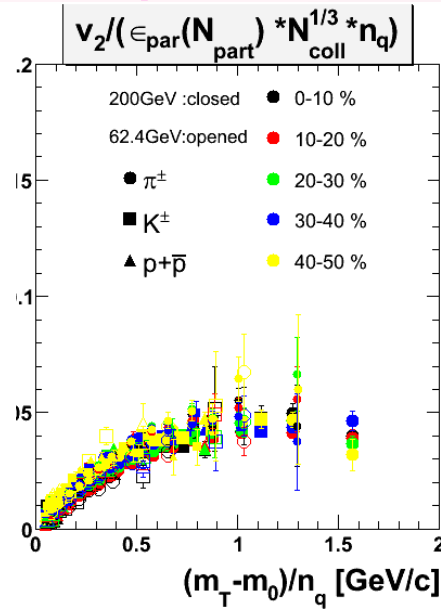
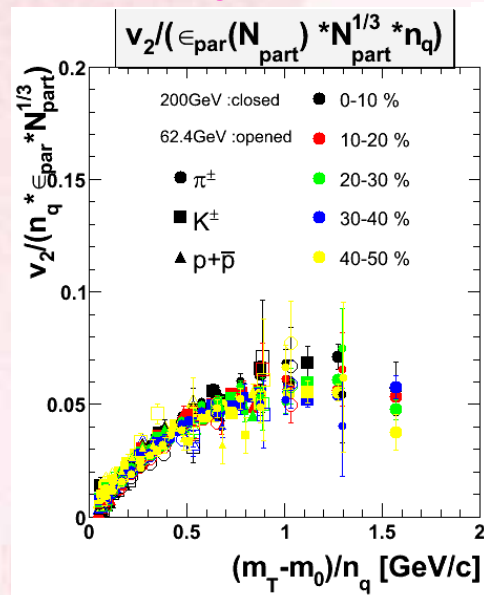
This concludes that increasing dN/dy doesn't change v_2 at RHIC energy.



It might be because that number of participant to $1/3$ (like length) is proportional to the time period taken to freeze out v_2 , and v_2 expands proportional to that period.

Back Up

3 systems comparison

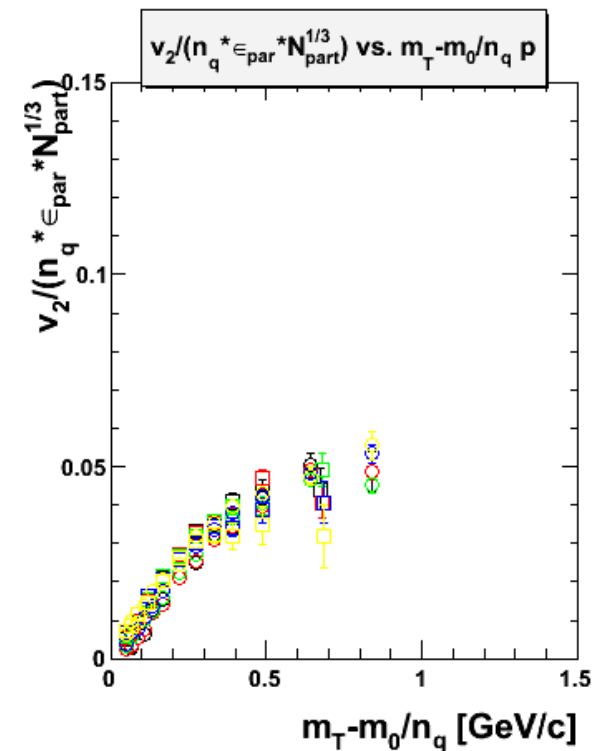
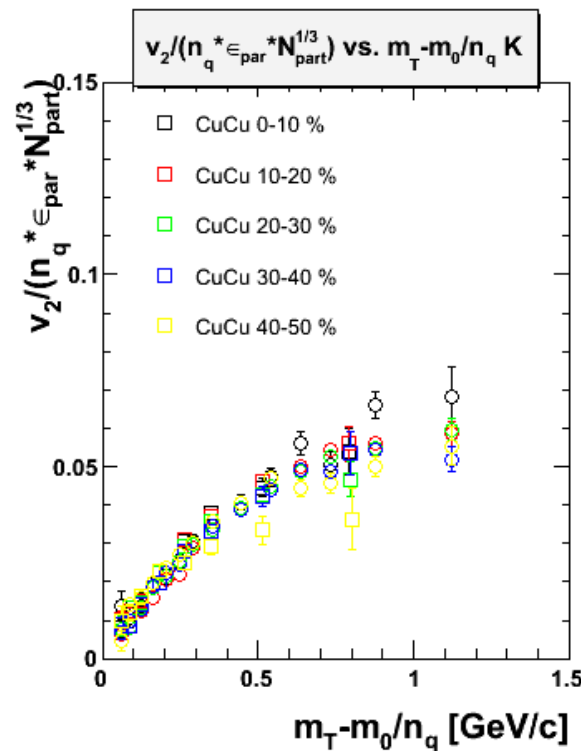
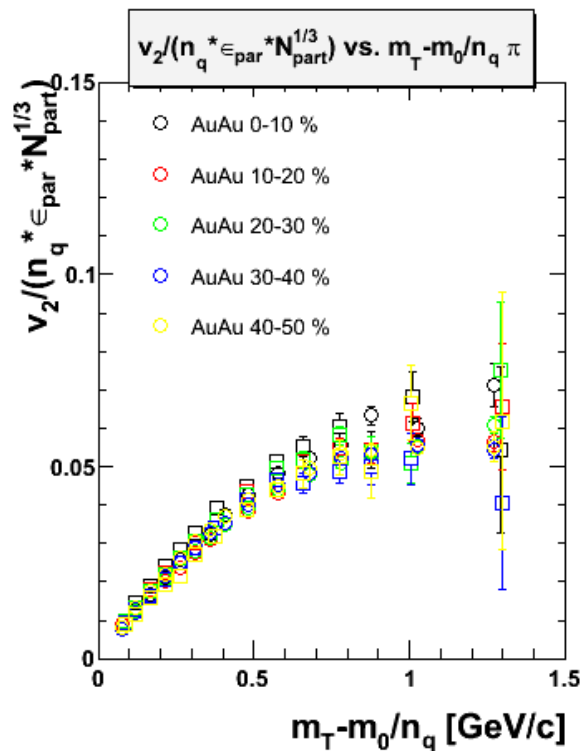


Various scalings.
Eccentricity of N_{part} and $N_{\text{part}}^{1/3}$ looks best.

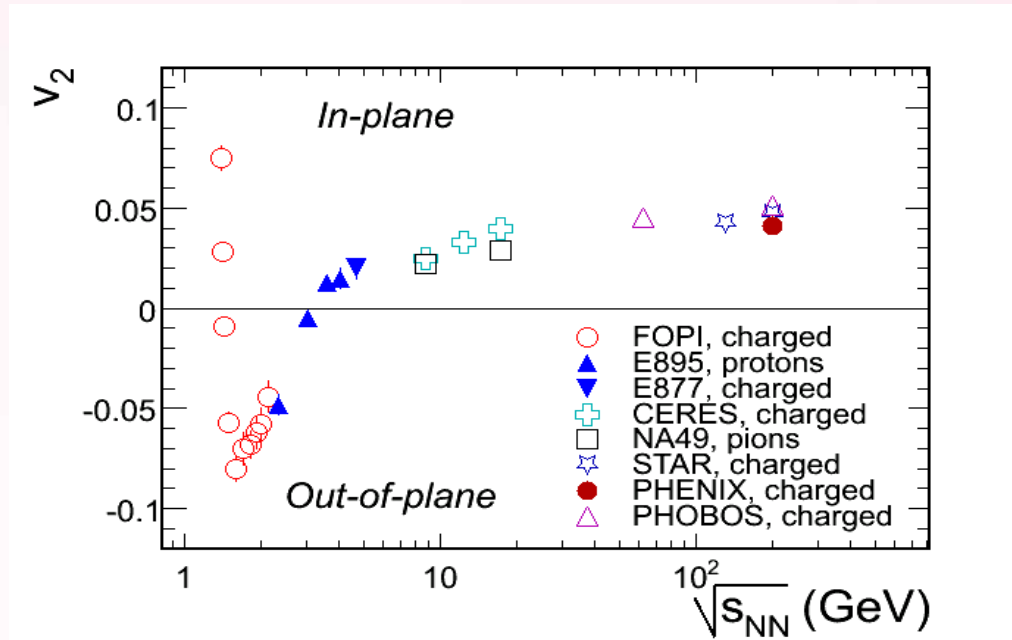
Comparison of AuAu to CuCu

Cu+Cu and Au+Au, 200GeV, PID by EMC

Apply quark number + KET scaling, eccentricity scaling and $N_{part}^{1/3}$ scaling.

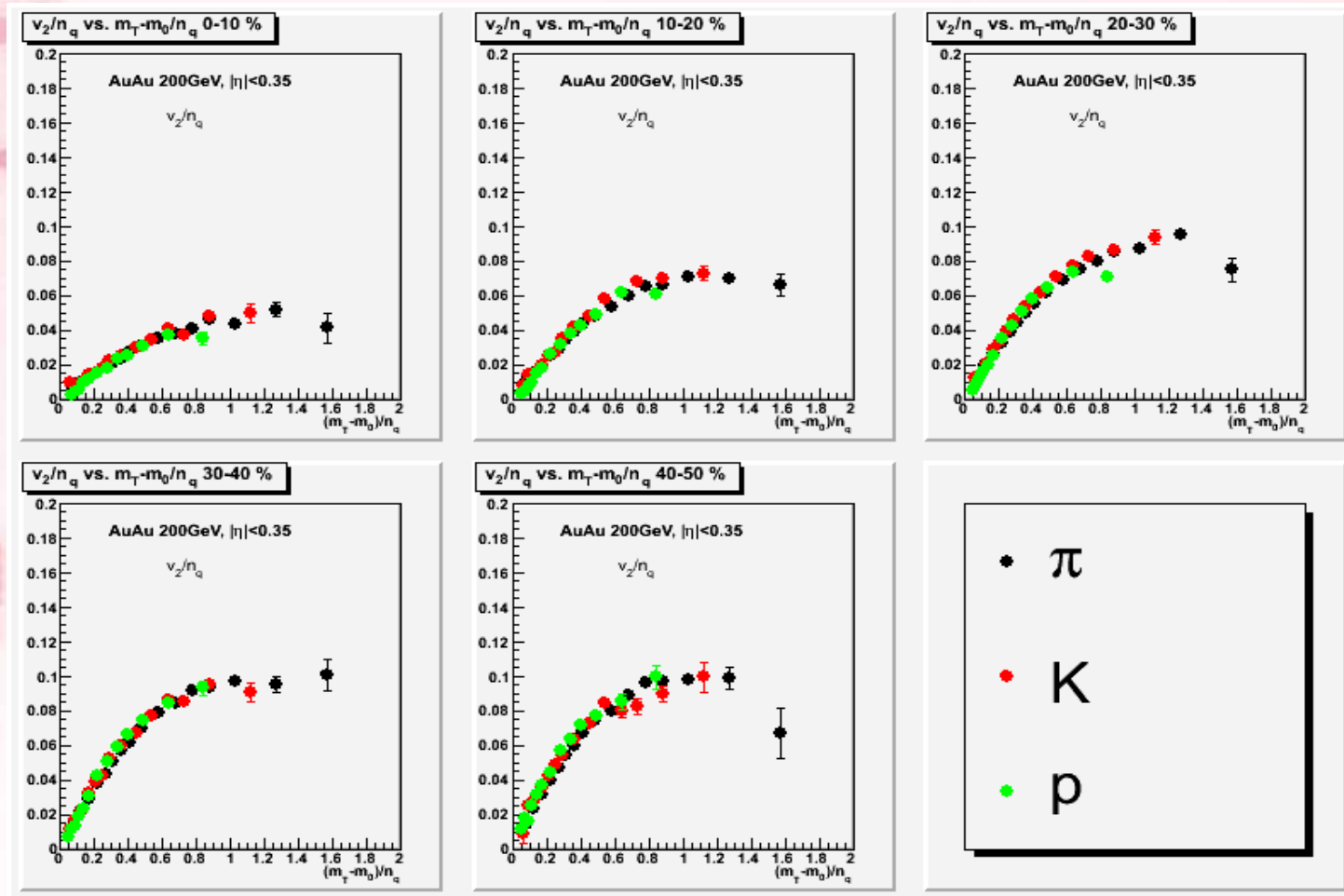


Energy dependence



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Quark number + K_{ET} scaling (AuAu 200GeV)



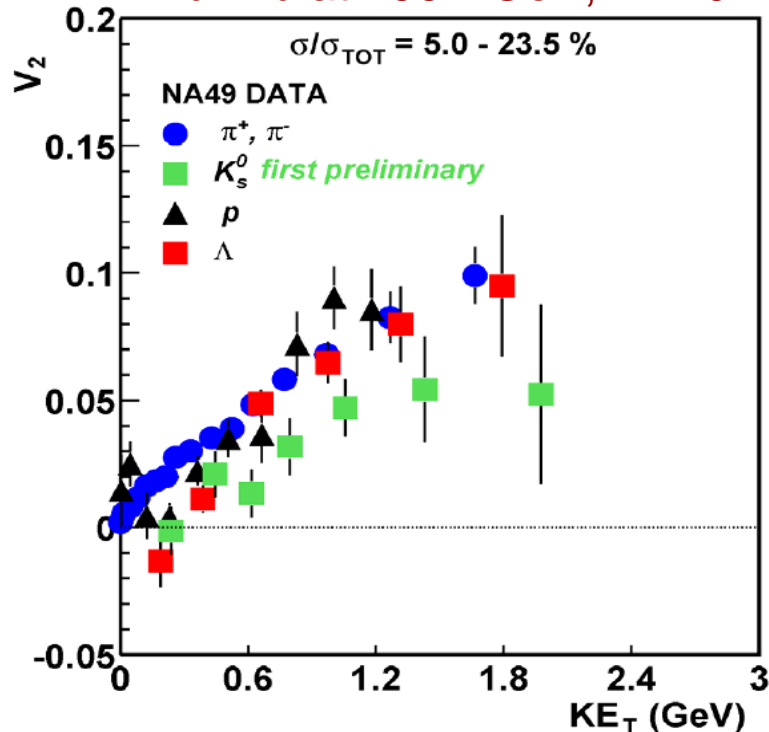
➤ Quark number + K_{ET} scaling exists.

Additional quark number + K_{ET} scaling (PbPb 17.2GeV)

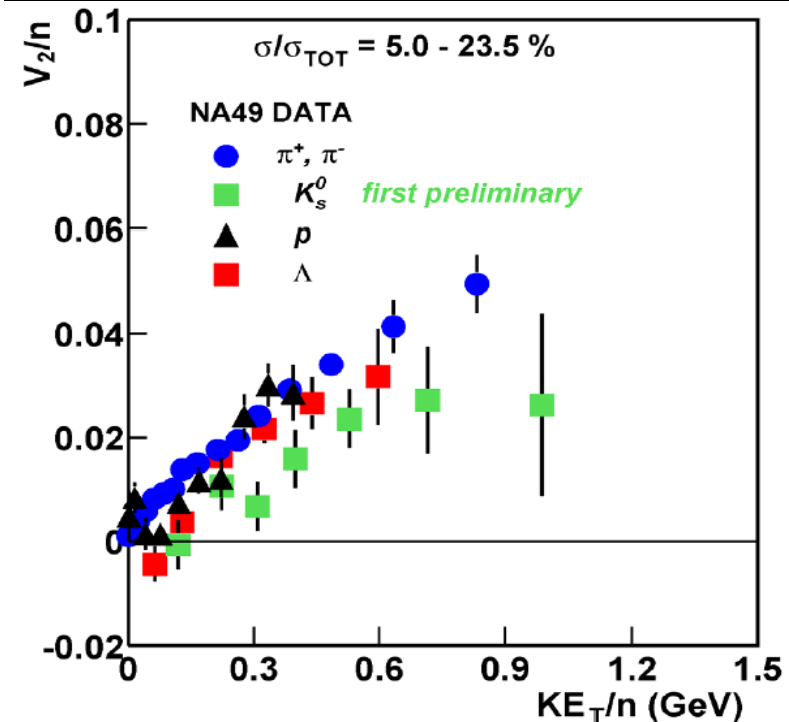
v_2 of p, π - C. Alt et al (NA49 collaboration) nucl-ex/0606026 submitted to PRL

v_2 of K^0 (preliminary) - G. Stefanek for NA49 collaboration (nucl-ex/0611003)

Pb+Pb at 158A GeV, NA49



Taken from A. Tranenko's talk at QM 2006

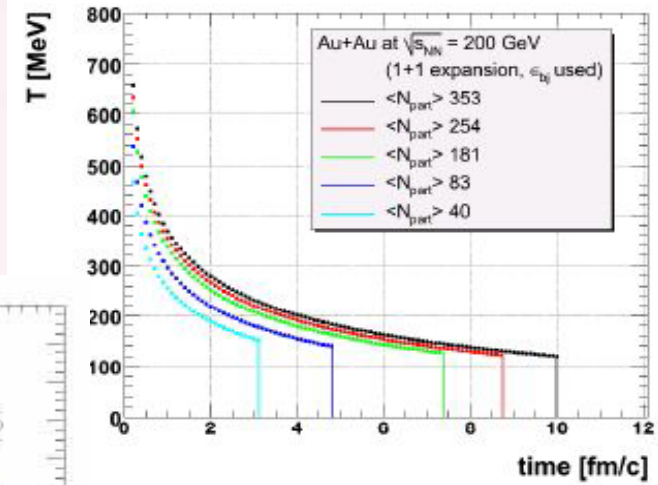
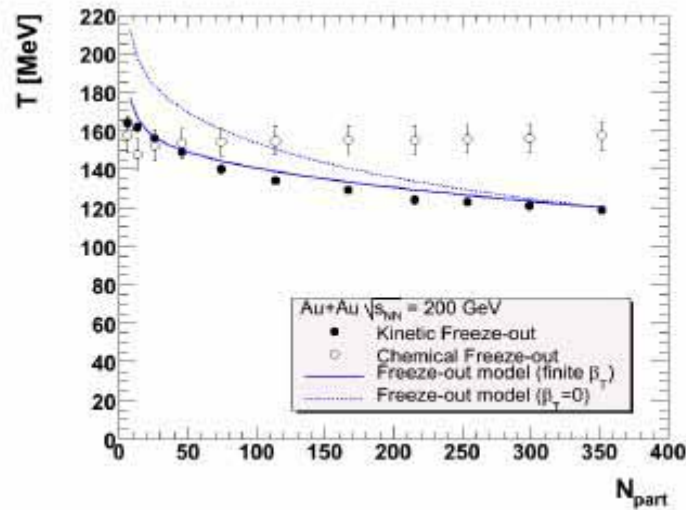
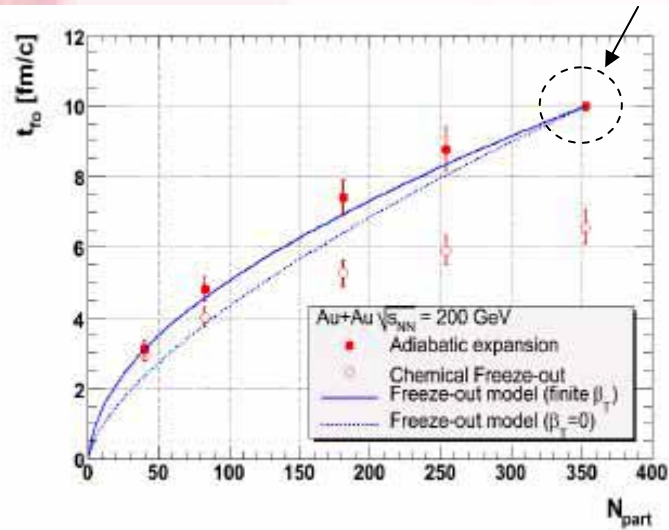


- Quark number + K_{ET} scaling doesn't seem to work out at SPS.
- No flow at partonic level due to nonexistence of QGP ?
- Errors are too big to conclude it.

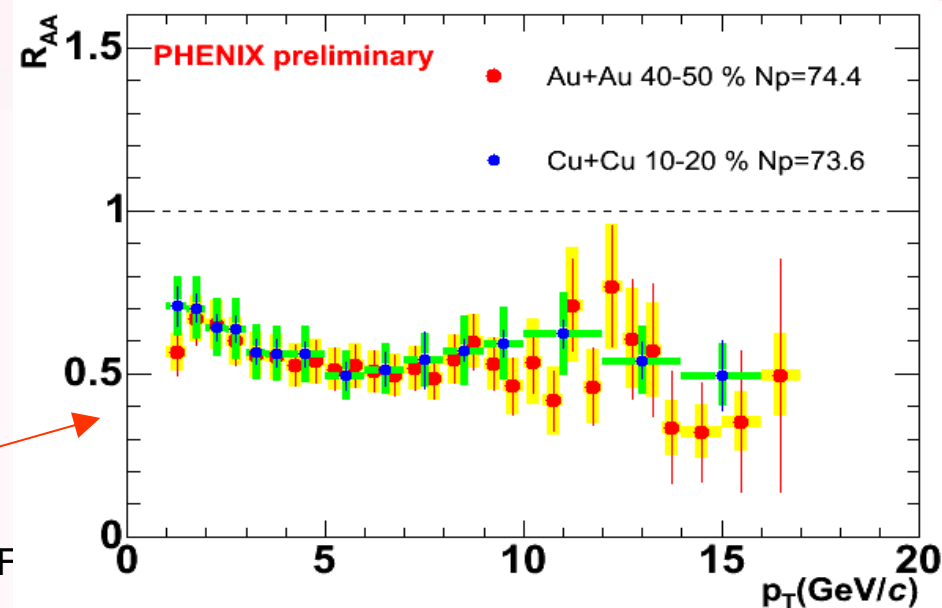
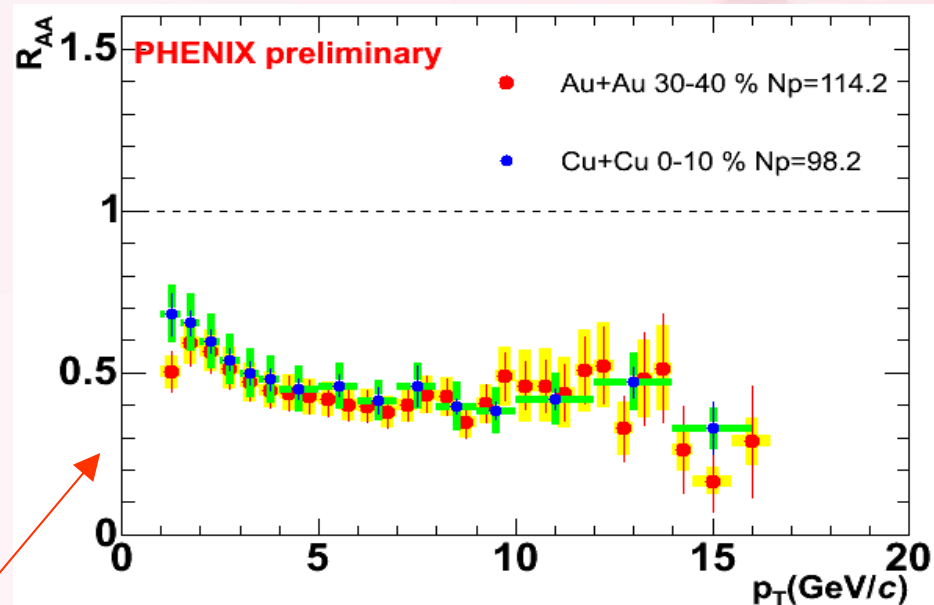
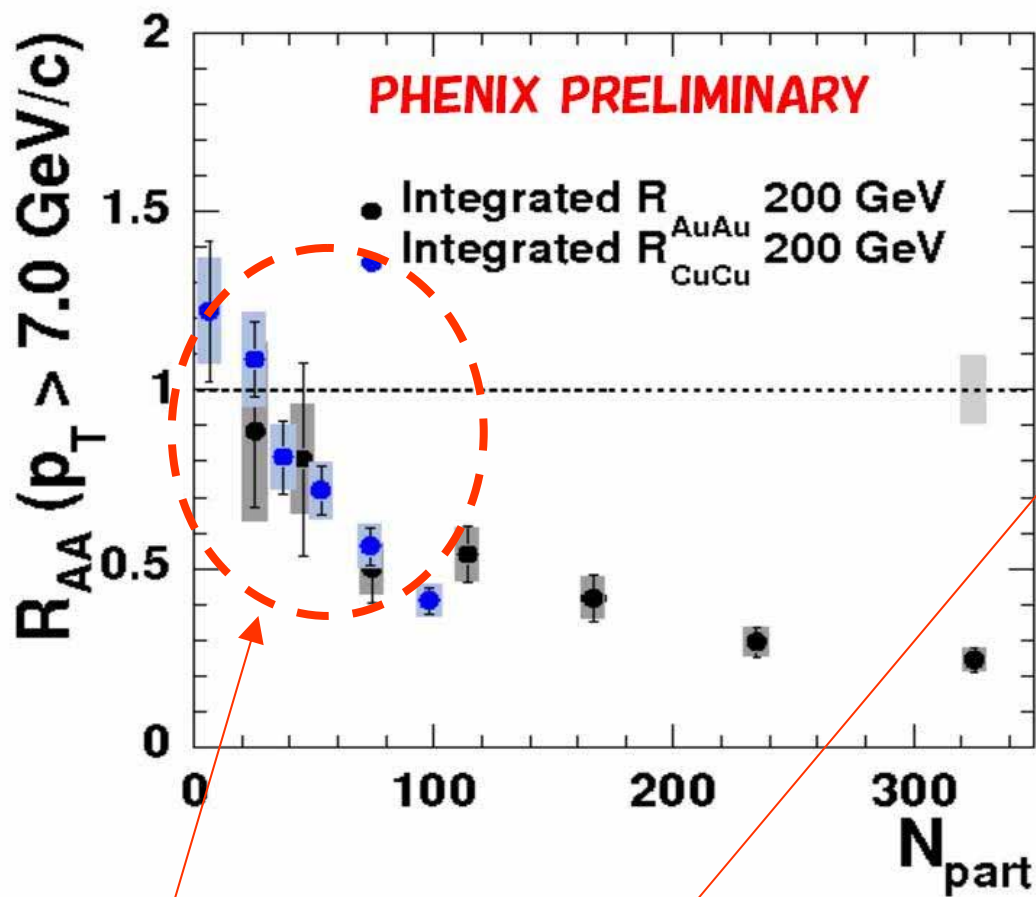
t_{fo} vs. N_{part}

$$T(t) = T_0 \left(\frac{t_0(R_0 + \beta_T t_0)^2}{t(R_0 + \beta_T t)^2} \right)^{1/3}$$

$$t_{fo} = (\sqrt{R_0^2 + 4\beta_T K N_p} - R_0) / 2\beta_T$$



Comparison between Au+Au and Cu+Cu



Both behave same at mid central.

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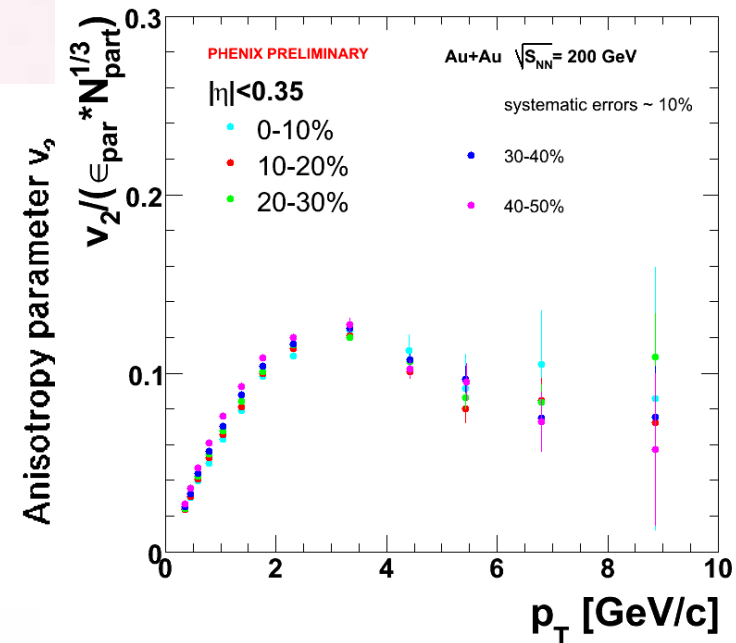
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Additional N_{part} scaling

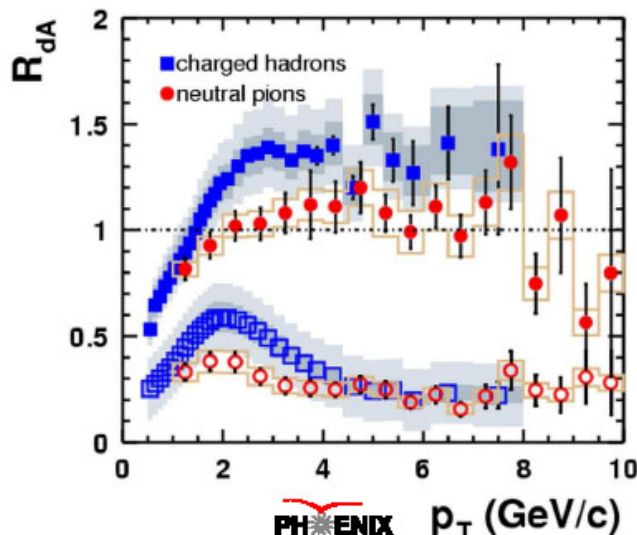
Au+Au 200GeV

➤ At high p_T ($> 6 \text{ GeV}/c$), scaling might work out but errors are too large to conclude.

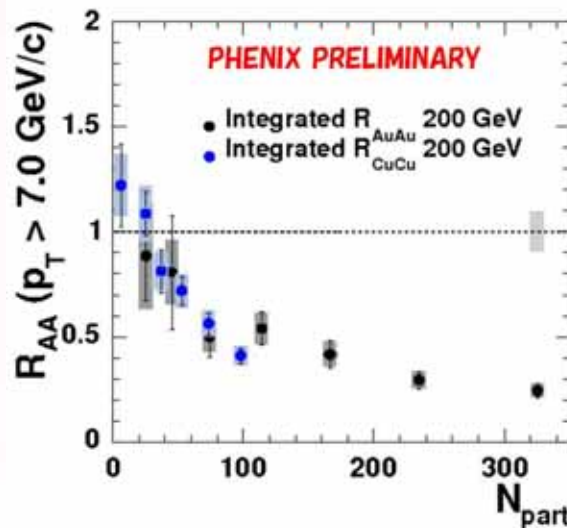
➔ need to analyze the data with higher statistics. (ex.Run7)



d+Au, Au+Au at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200 \text{ GeV}$



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R_{AA} – yield normalized by p+p superposition. 3
It would be 1 without suppression.

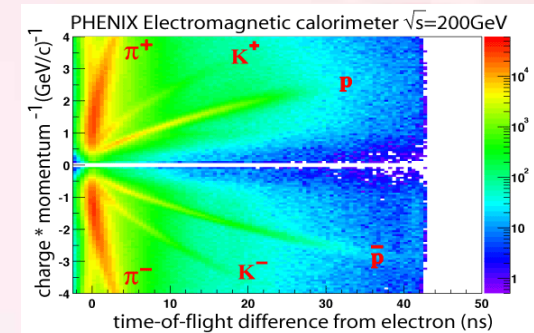
By spectra analysis, the strength of the suppression seems to be consistent at same N_{part} . It doesn't depend on the nucleus species of collision system (Au+Au, Cu+Cu).

➔ R_{AA} can be scaled by N_{part} .

Analysis

<Data set for this analysis>

- Au+Au Cu+Cu collision
- taken in 2003-2005 at RHIC-PHENIX
- Collision energy : 200, 62.4 GeV/2 nucleons



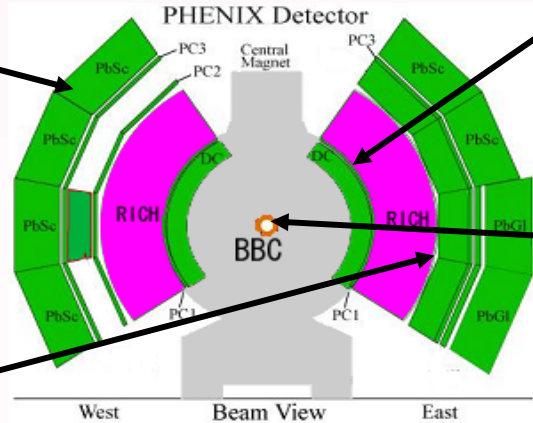
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for Particle Identification
resolution=380ps

TOF

for Particle Identification
resolution=120ps

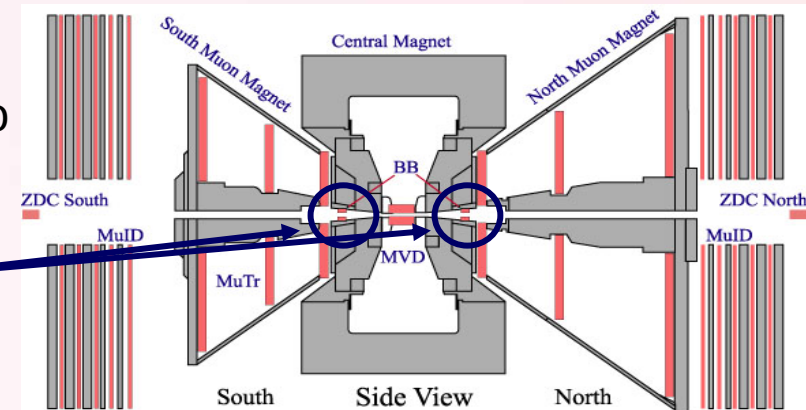


DC + PC1

for good track selection and to determine p

BBC

to determine reaction plane and vertex



<PID by TOF measurement>

Using TOF or EMC with BBC, the flight time of the particles is obtained. Mass of the particle is calculated by the flight time and the momentum measured by DC.

<Reaction Plane determination>

The reaction plane is obtained by measurement of the anisotropic distribution for the produced particles with north and south BBCs located at $|\eta| \sim 3 - 4$.

Resolution Calculation of Reaction Plane

$$resolution = \langle \cos[2(\Psi_{measured} - \Psi_{true})] \rangle \sim \sqrt{\langle \cos[2(\Psi_A - \Psi_B)] \rangle}$$

$\Psi_{A,B}$: reaction plane determined for each sub sample.

$$v_2^{real} = \frac{v_2^{measured}}{resolution}$$

➤ BBC North + South combined

