

# Anisotropic flow and its scaling properties at Nuclotron-NICA energies

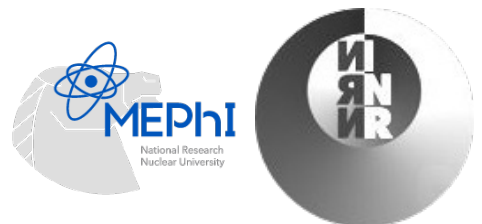
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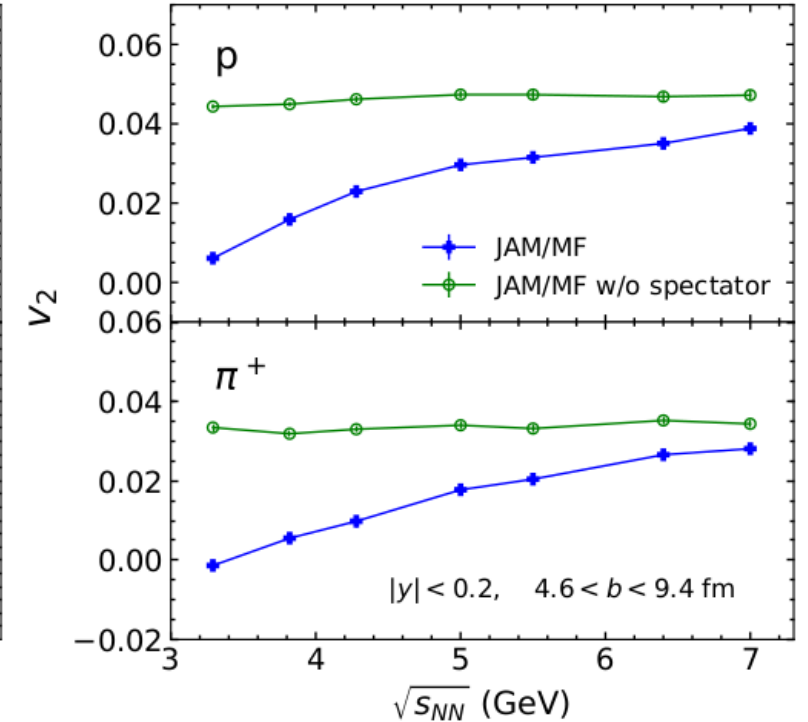
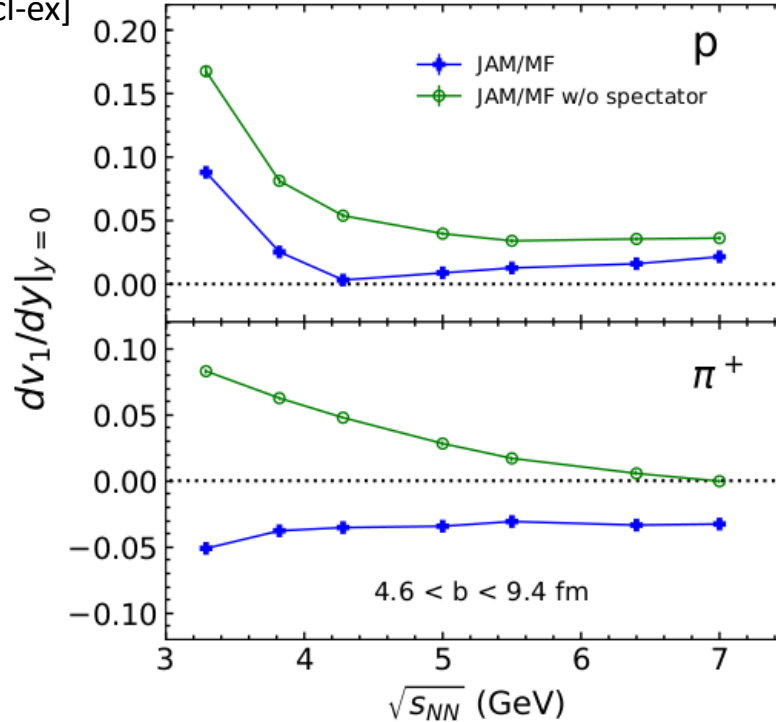
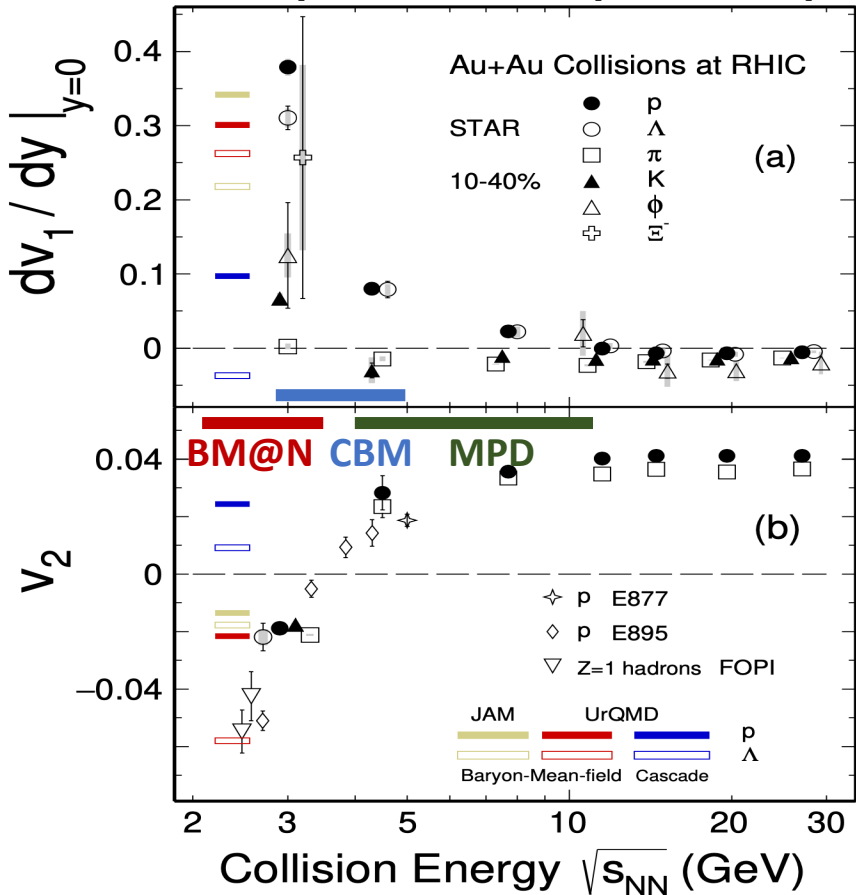
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# Outline

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- Scaling relations for anisotropic flow at RHIC
- Scaling relations for anisotropic flow at SIS-AGS
- Summary and outlook

# Anisotropic flow in Au+Au collisions at Nuclotron-NICA energies

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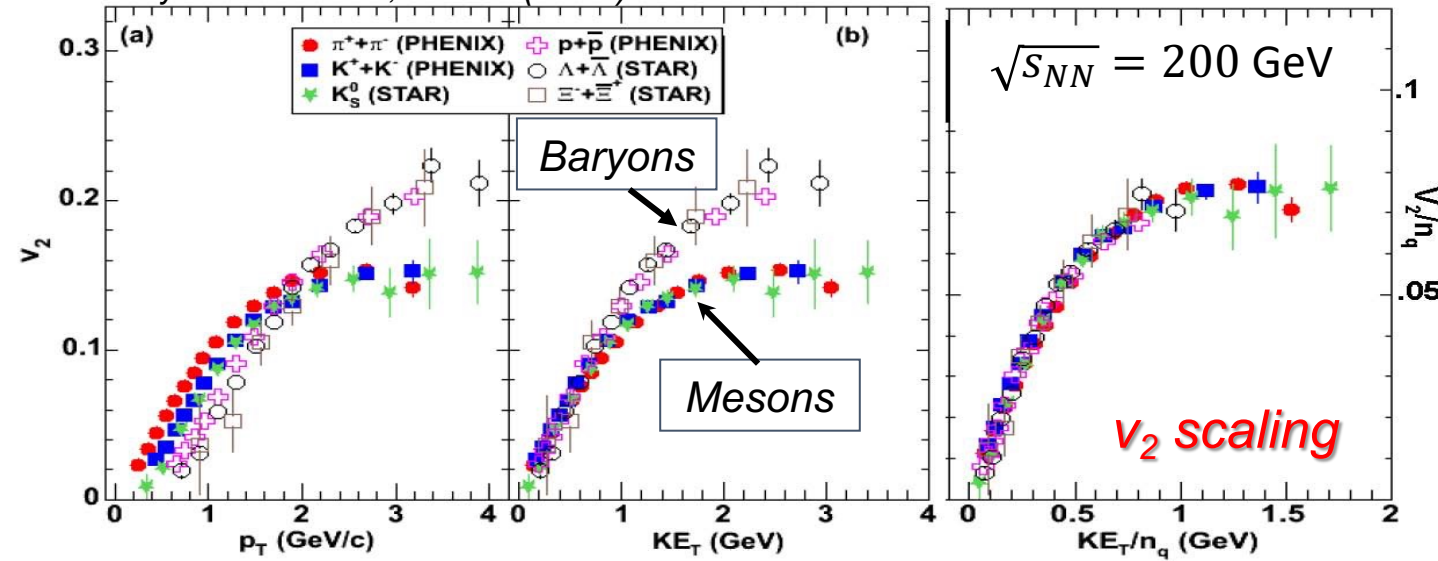
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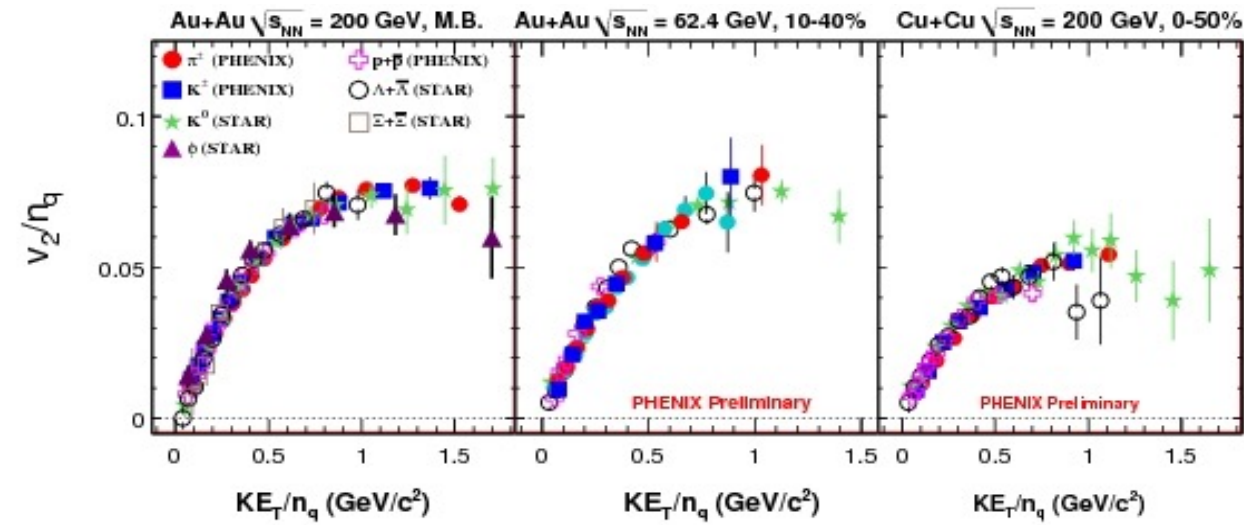
# Scaling relations at RHIC/LHC – NCQ ( $KE_T/n_q$ ) scaling

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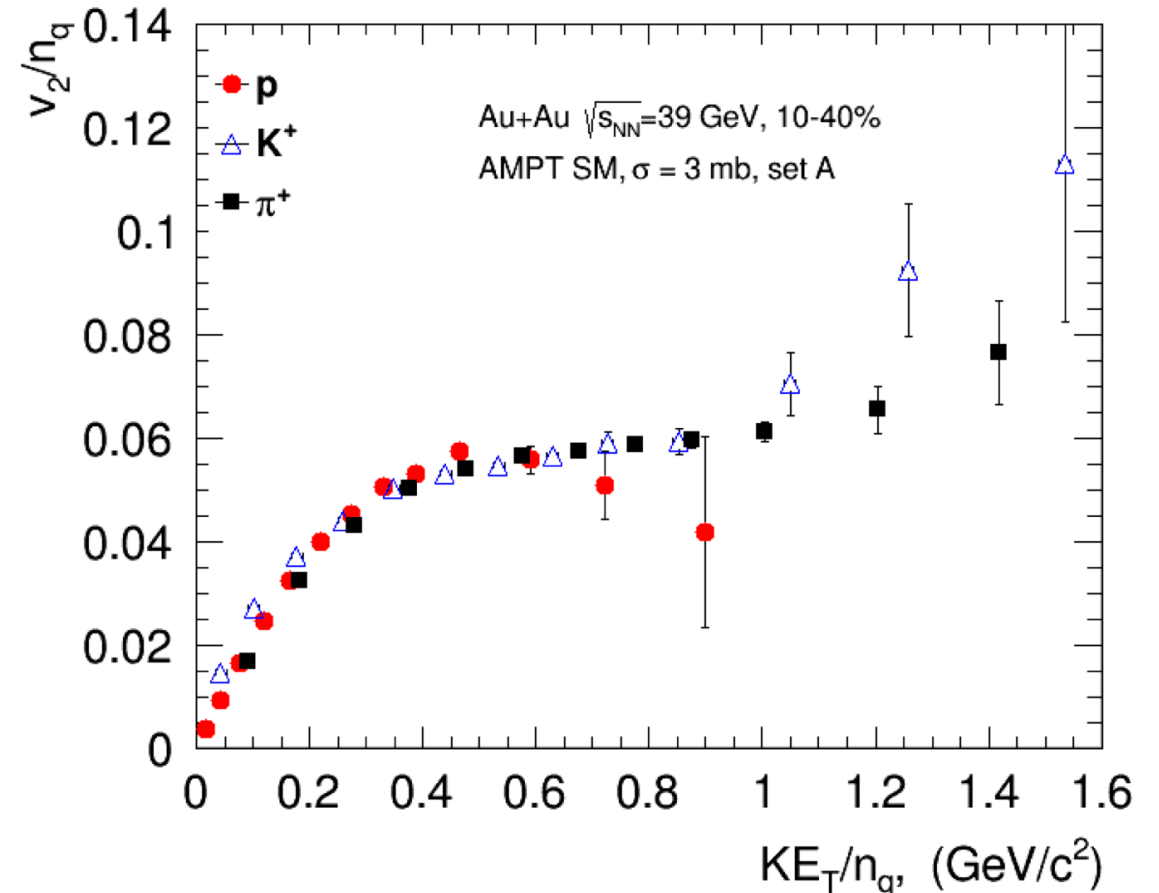
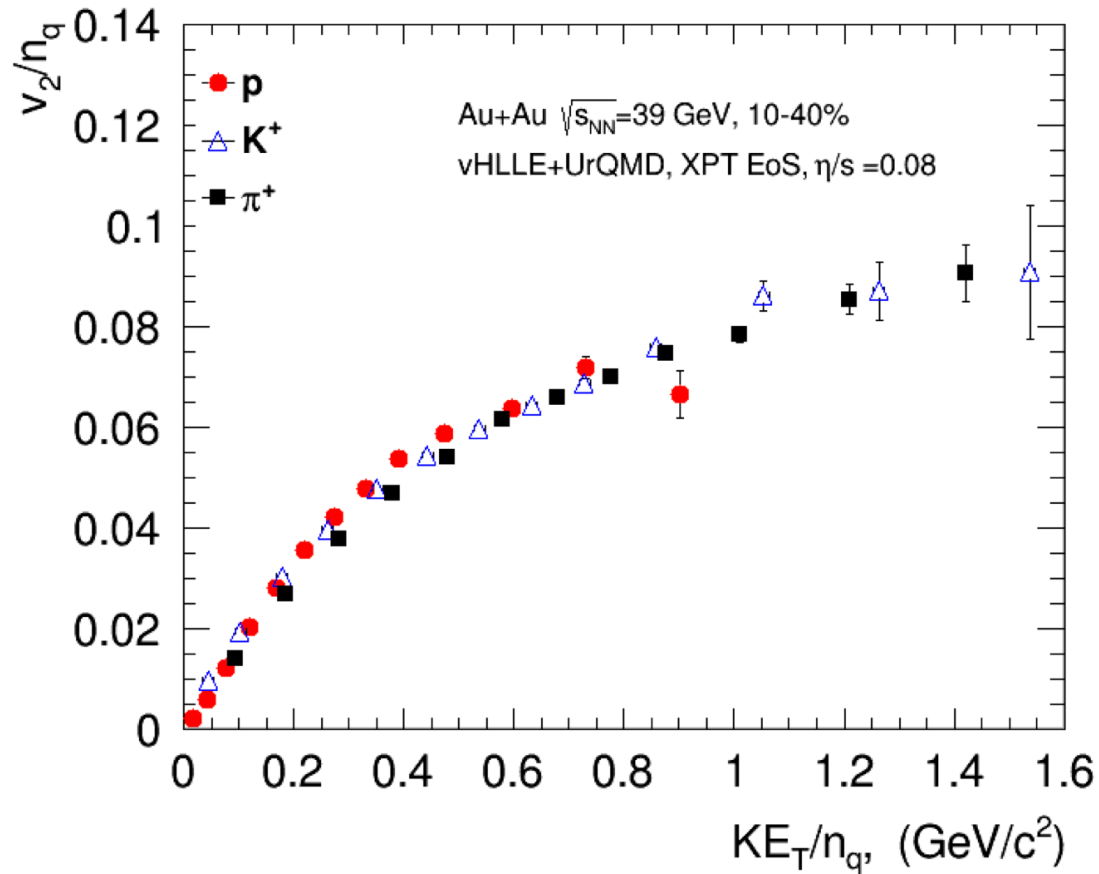
NCQ scaling:  $v_n(p_T) \rightarrow v_n/n_q^{n/2}(KE_T/n_q)$

$$n_q = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{for mesons} \\ 3 & \text{for baryons} \end{cases} \quad KE_T = \sqrt{m^2 + p_T^2} - m$$



- Significant part of flow at RHIC developed at partonic level
- Scaling provides an additional constraint for the mechanism for hadronization at RHIC

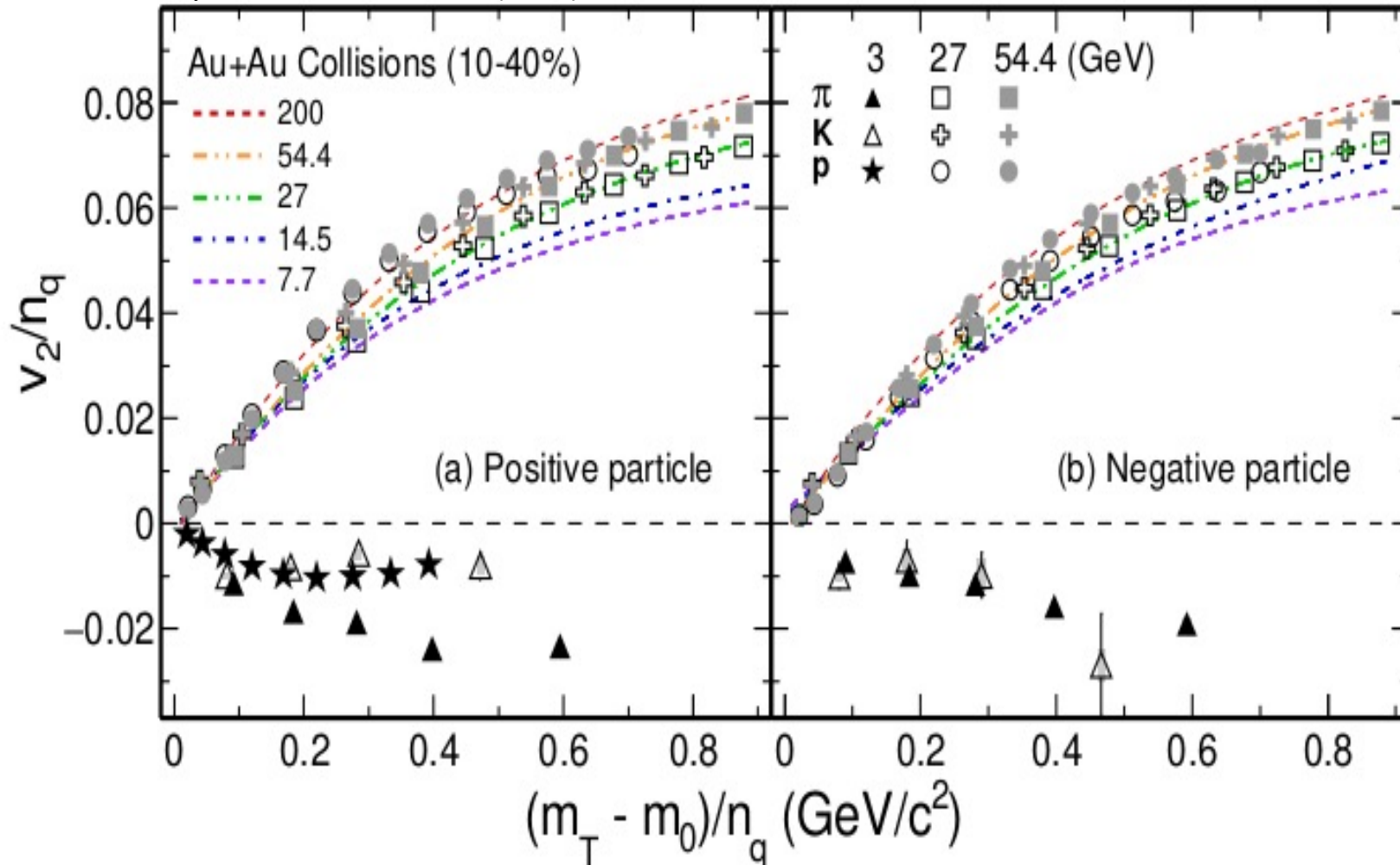
# NCQ scaling: hybrid models



- Hybrid models with QGP phase are used for BES energy range ( $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 7.7 - 200$  GeV), such as vHLL+UrQMD and AMPT SM
- NCQ scaling holds for hybrid models well

# Dissappearance of partonic collectivity in $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 3$ GeV Au+Au collisions at RHIC

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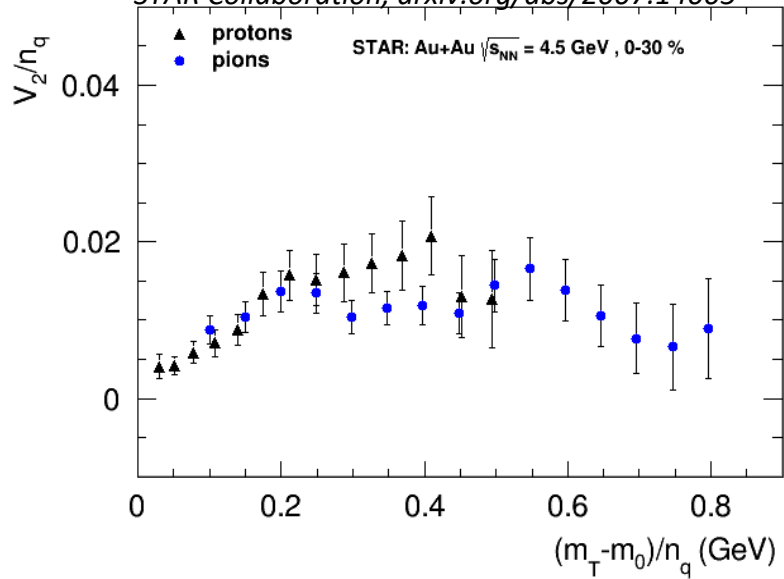


Breaking of NCQ scaling at 3 GeV

*“imply the vanishing of partonic collectivity and a new EOS, likely dominated by baryonic interactions in the high baryon density region”*

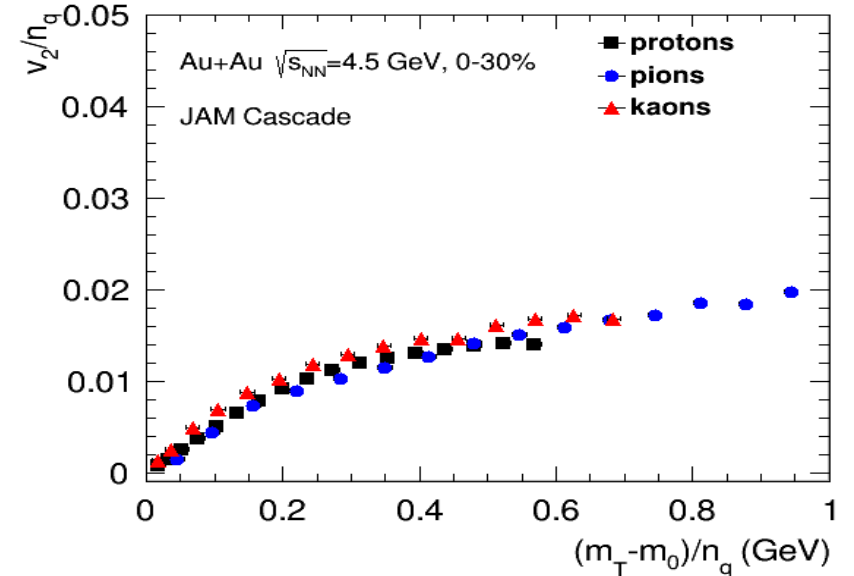
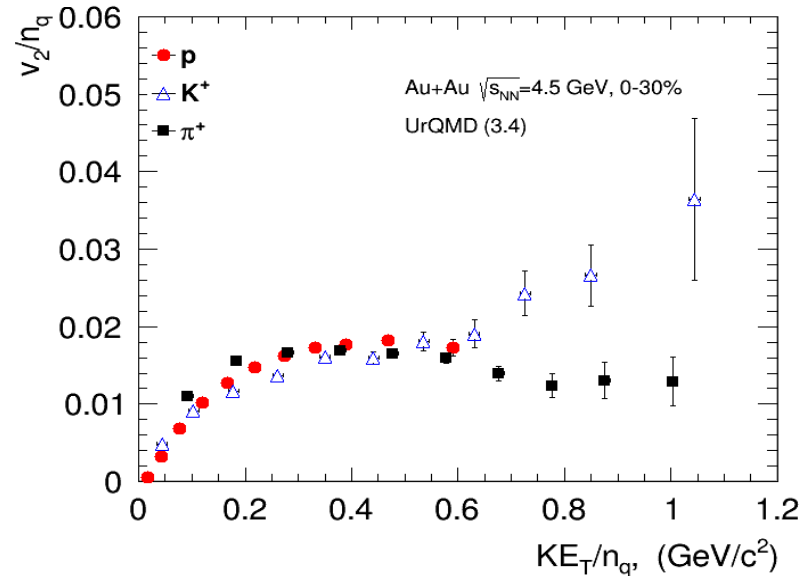
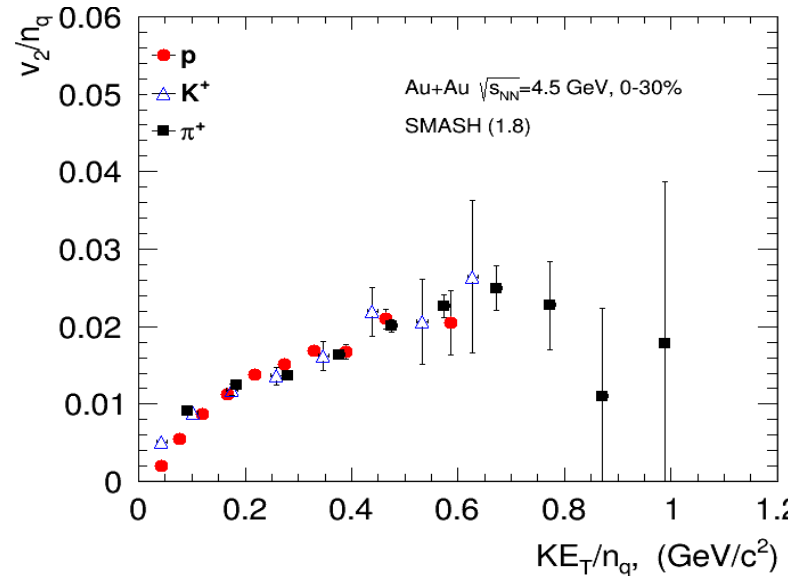
# NCQ scaling: hybrid and cascade models

STAR Collaboration, [arxiv.org/abs/2007.14005](https://arxiv.org/abs/2007.14005)



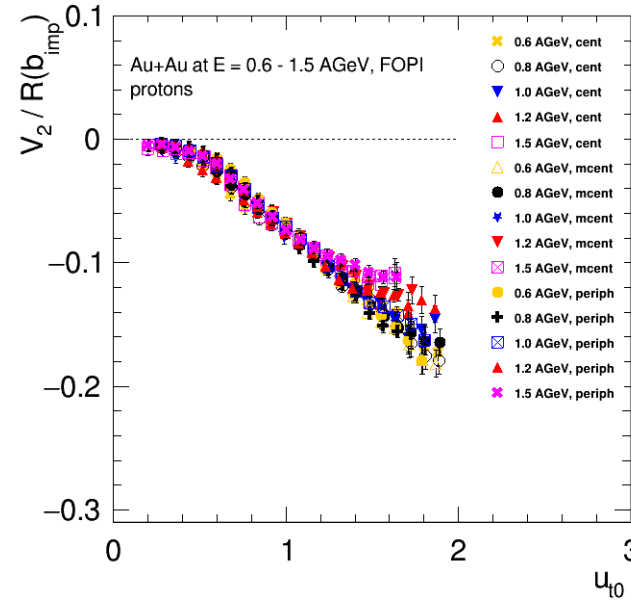
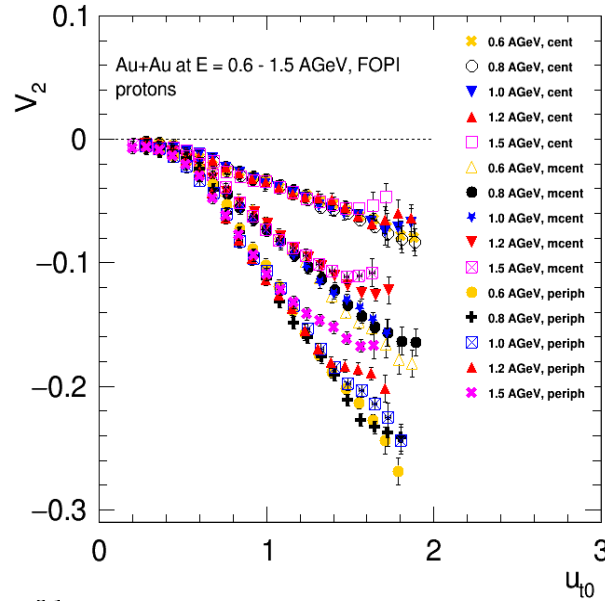
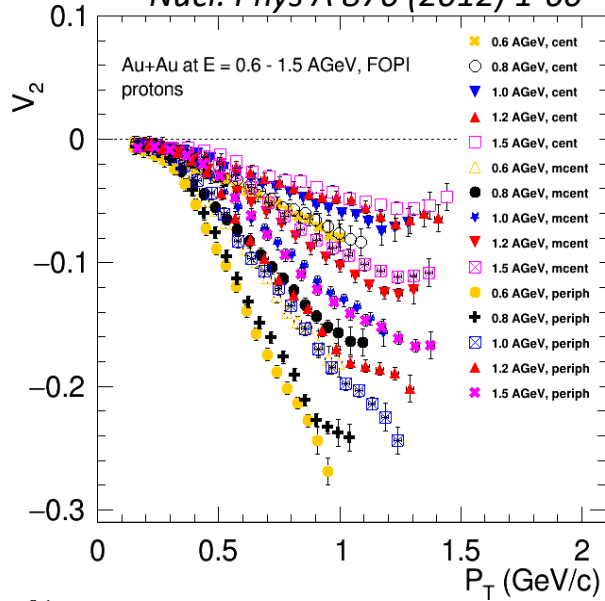
- Scaling holds up at 4.5 GeV in STAR data and pure string/hadronic cascade models (without partonic d.o.f.)

**$KE_T/n_q$  scaling at 4.5 GeV might be accidental – more careful studies should be performed**



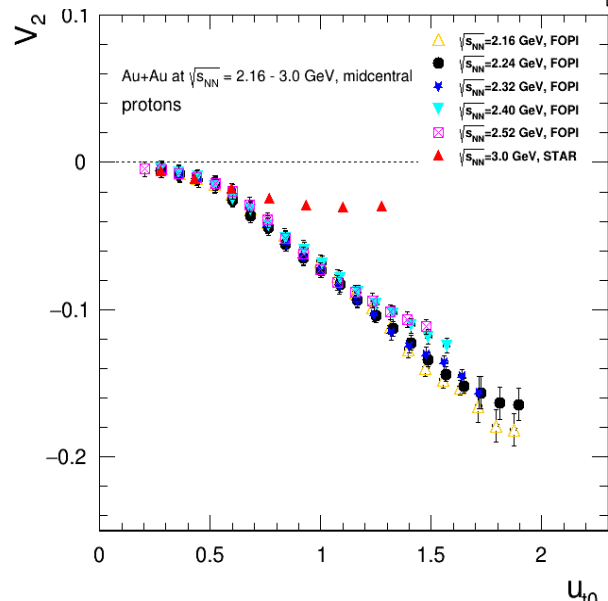
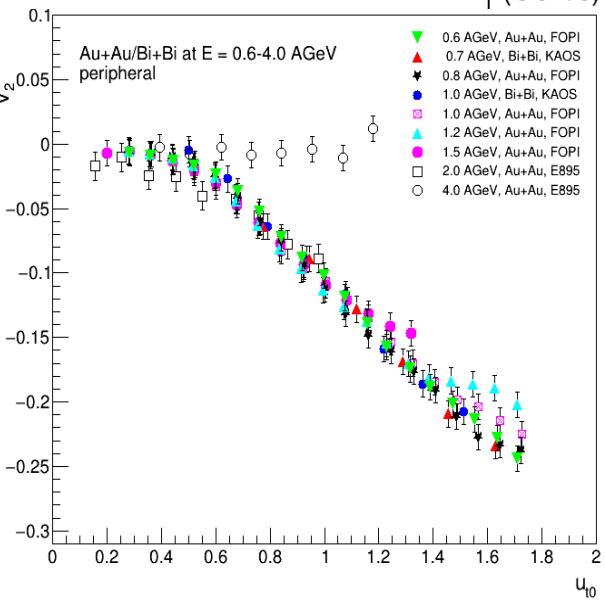
# Scaling relations at SIS – scaling with passage time

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$$u_{t0} = \frac{p_T}{m_0 \beta_{CM} \gamma_{CM}} \equiv \frac{p_T t_{pass}}{2R m_0}$$

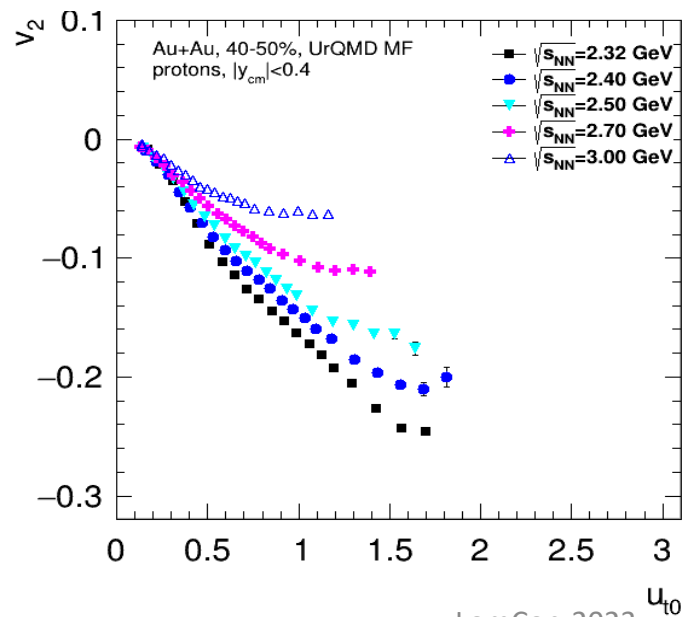
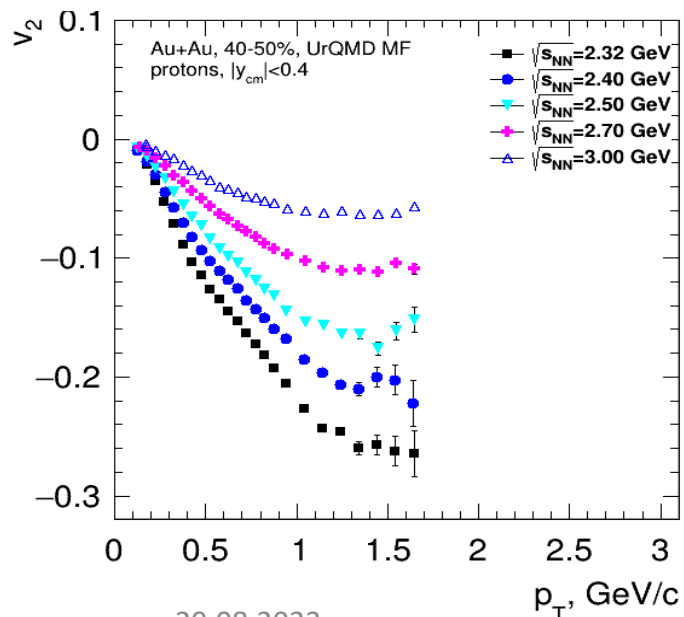
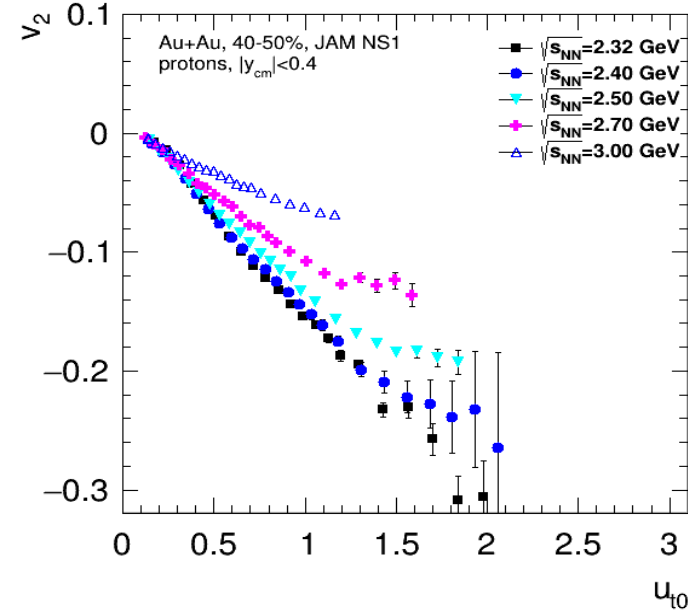
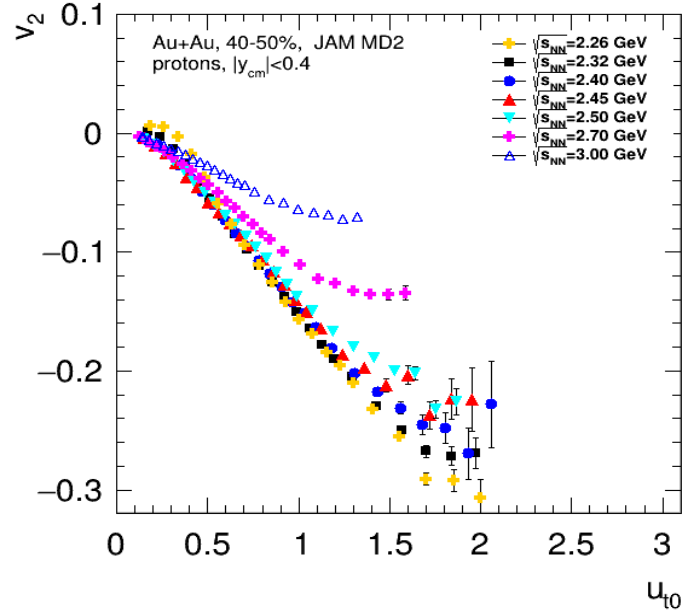
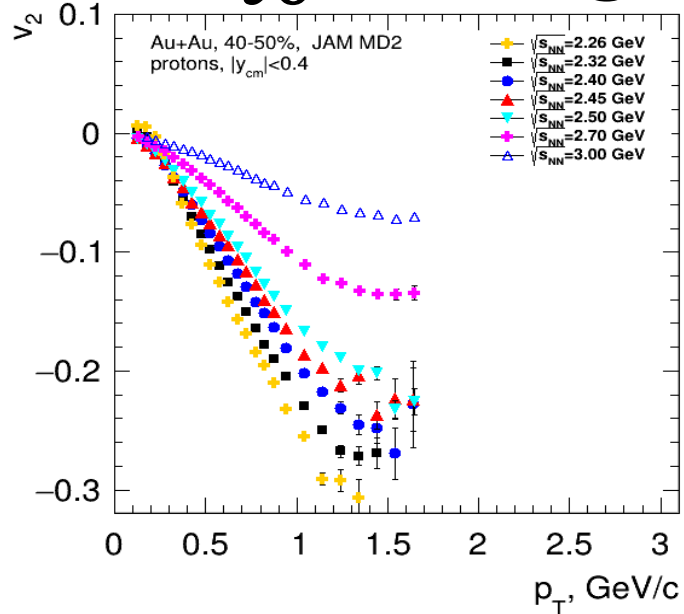
$$t_{pass} = \frac{2R}{\beta_{CM} \gamma_{CM}}$$



- The rather good scaling observed suggests that  $c_s$  does not change significantly over beam energy range  $E_{kin} = 0.4 - 2$  AGeV ( $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2 - 2.7$  GeV)
- Scaling breaks at  $E_{kin} = 2.9$  AGeV ( $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 3$  GeV)

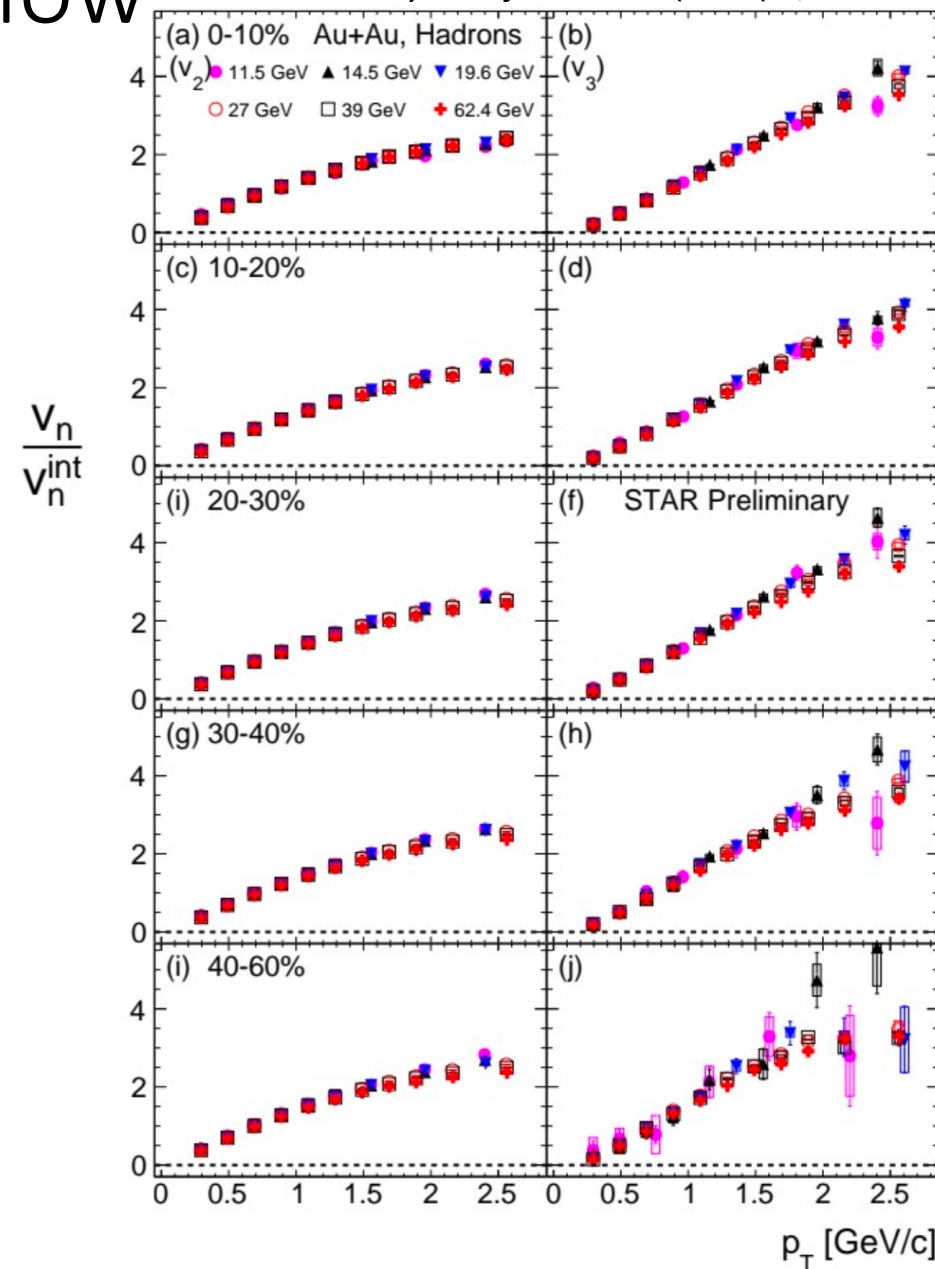
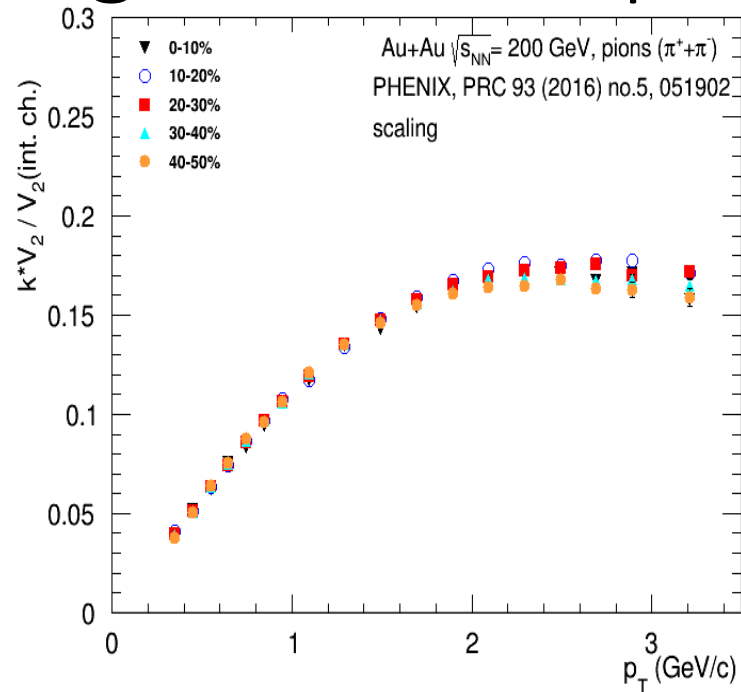
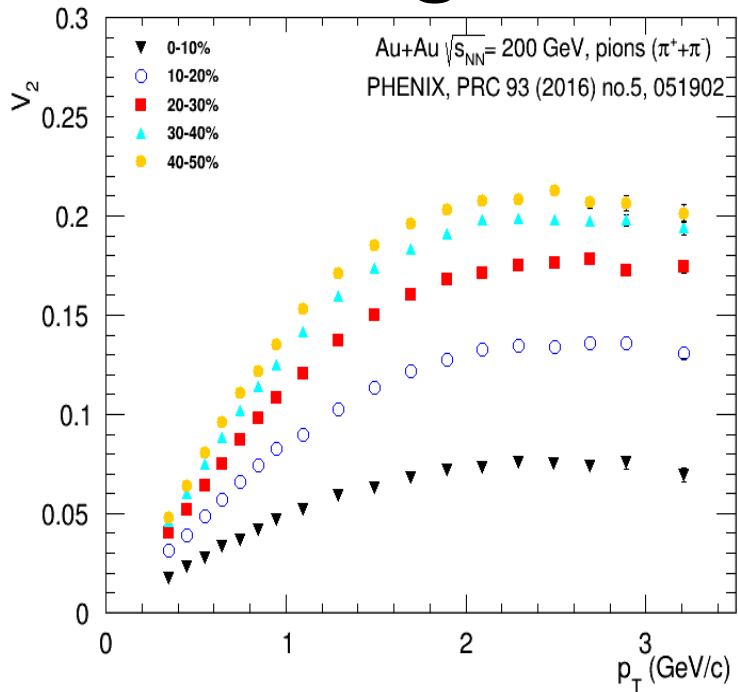


# $u_{t0}$ scaling: mean-field models



- Scaling holds for both JAM and UrQMD models with mean-field potentials for all EOS
- Similar trend with experimental data: scaling breaks at around  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} \geq 2.7$  GeV
- Scaling can provide additional constraints for models

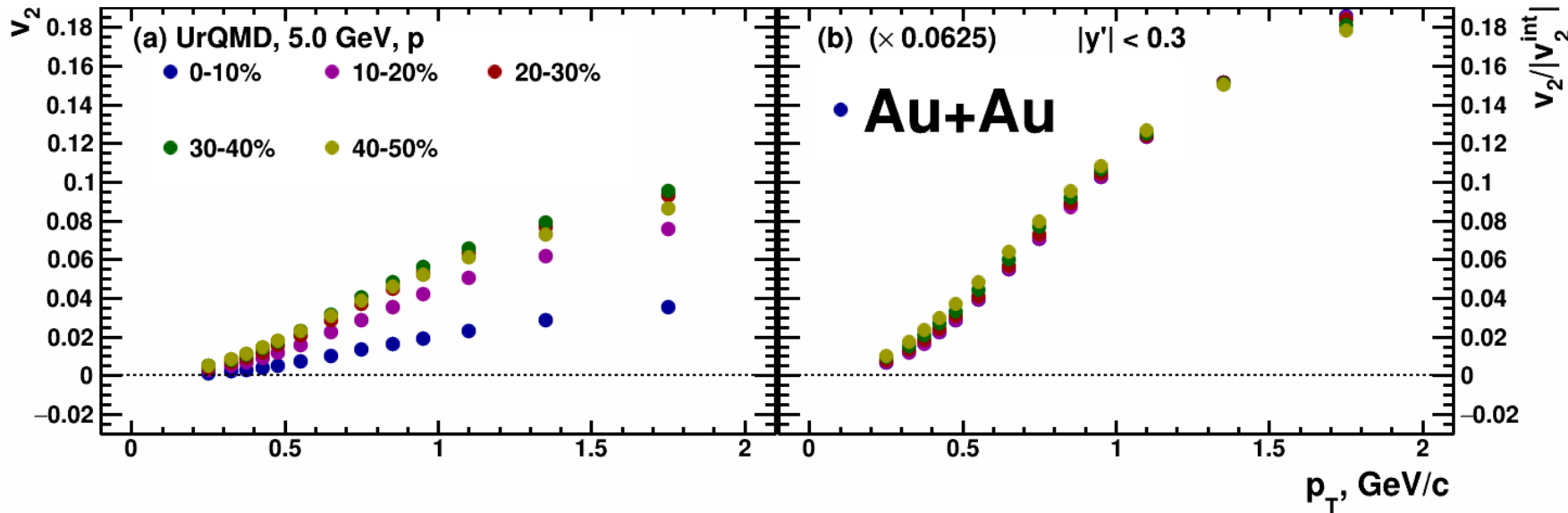
# Scaling with integral anisotropic flow



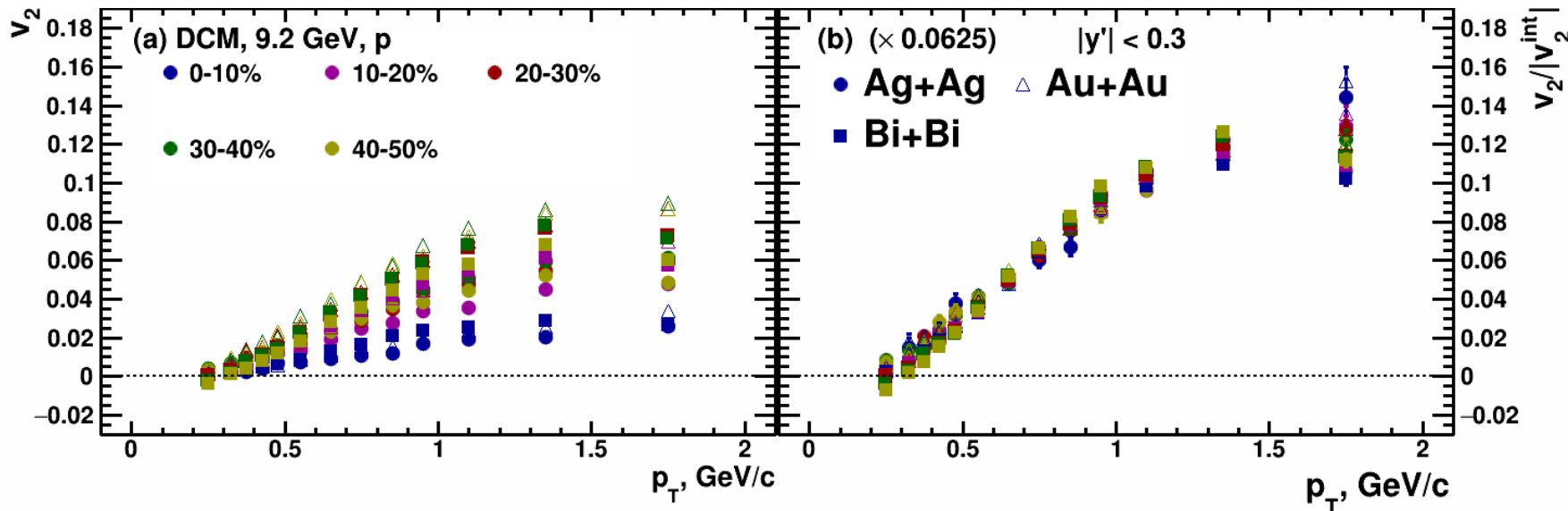
$$v_n(int.) \equiv |v_n^{int}| = |\langle v_n(p_T, y, centrality, PID) \rangle_{p_T, y}|$$

- Scaling works at top RHIC and BES energy range
- Similar trend for pions, kaons and protons

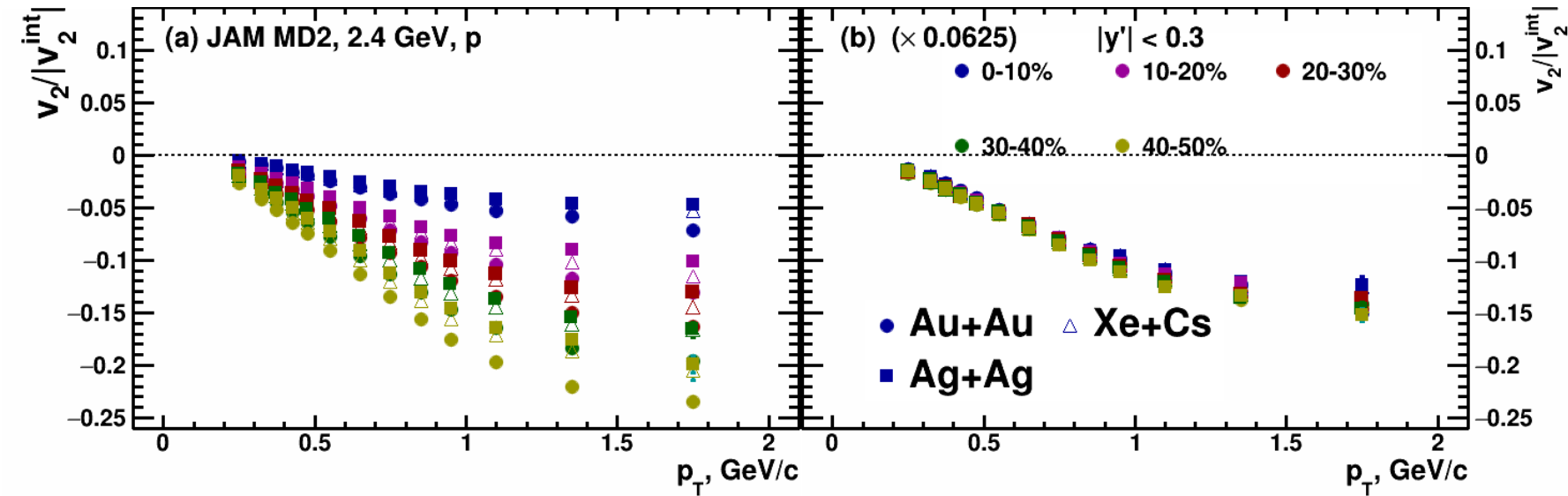
# $|v_n^{int}|$ scaling: cascade models – NICA energies



Scaling works for both UrQMD and DCM-QGSM-SMM models at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5, 9.2$  GeV for different collision systems

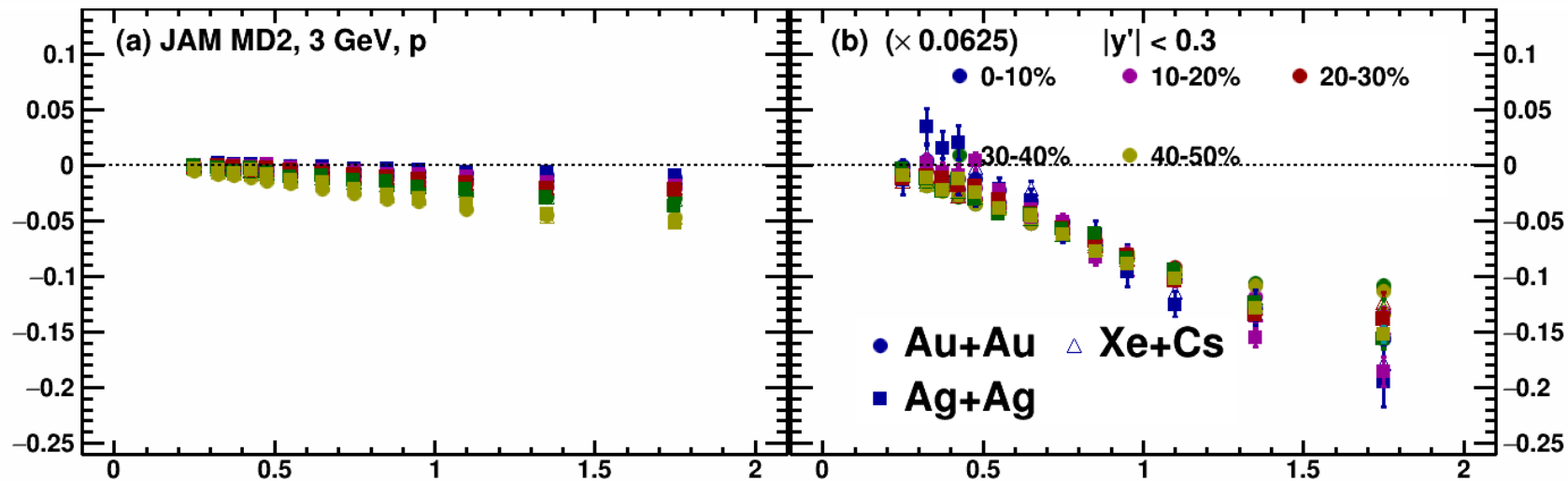


# $|v_n^{int}|$ scaling: JAM MD2 model – Nuclotron energies

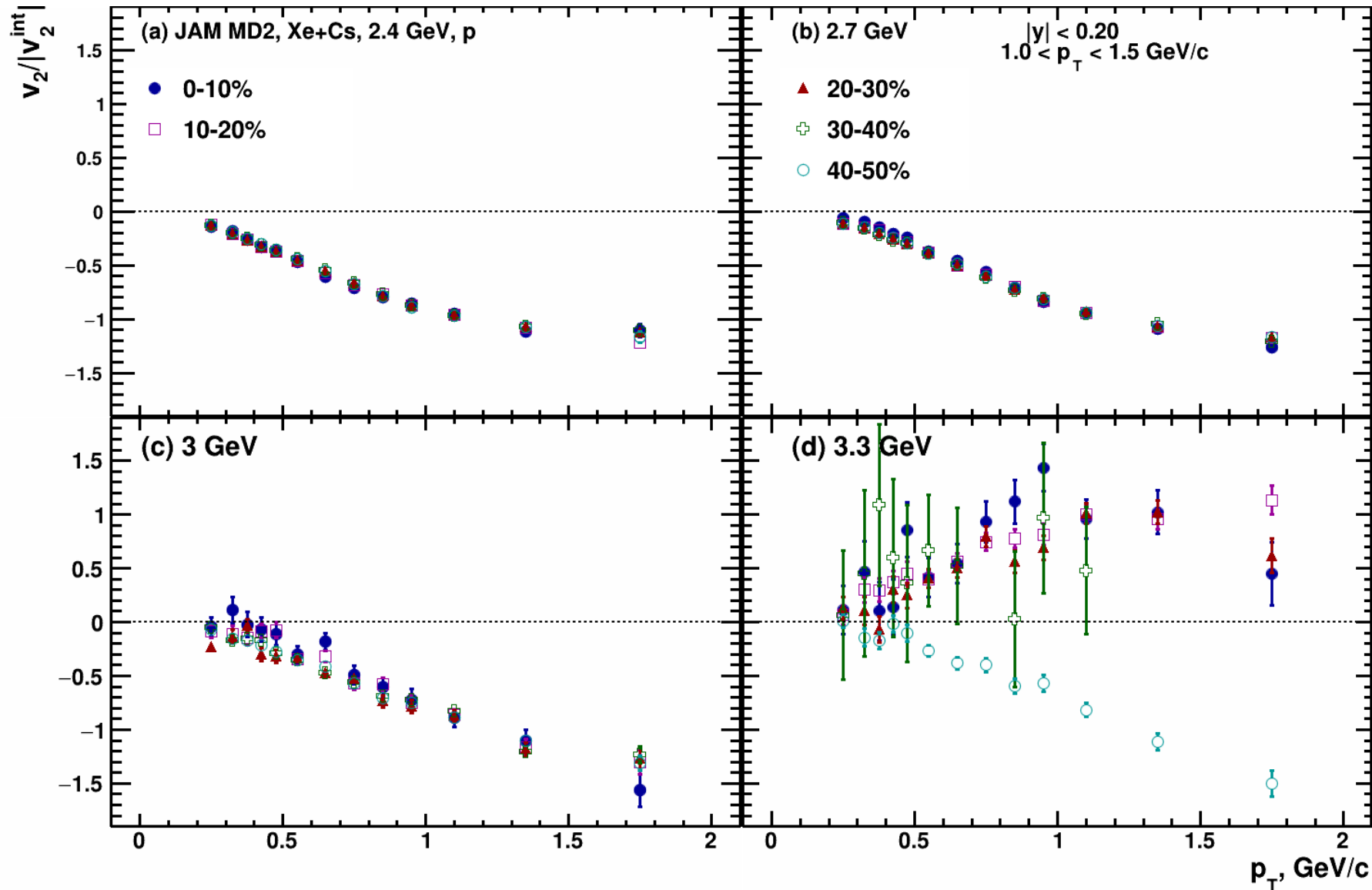


Scaling works for JAM model at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.4$  GeV for Au+Au, Xe+Cs and Ag+Ag collisions

Starts breaking at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 3$  GeV



# $|v_2^{int}|$ scaling: JAM MD2 model – Nuclotron energies



Scaling works for energy range  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.4 - 3$  GeV and breaks at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 3.3$  GeV where  $v_2$  changes sign

# Summary and outlook

- **NCQ scaling:**

- Holds up for energies  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} > 4$  GeV in both experimental data and models (hybrid and pure string/hadronic cascade models)
- Scaling at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 4.5$  GeV in the experimental data and pure string/hadronic cascade models can be accidental – more thorough study should be performed

- **Scaling with passage time:**

- Holds up for energies  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2 - 2.7$  GeV and breaks at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} \geq 3$  GeV
- Shows that at this energy range  $v_2(\sqrt{s_{NN}})$  changes due to the change of the passage time  $t_{pass}$  of the spectators

- **Scaling with integral anisotropic flow:**

- Holds up for a wide energy range for different particle species, colliding systems and centrality classes
- Breaks in the energy range where  $v_2$  changes sign, transitioning from out-of-plane ( $v_2 < 0$ ) to in-plane ( $v_2 > 0$ )

Scaling relations allow to separate different contributions to anisotropic flow originating from different energies, particle masses, initial conditions, etc. from general fluid-dynamical features

Scaling relations also provide a useful tool

- to perform comparison between results from different experiments with different system size and beam energies
- to constrain existing models

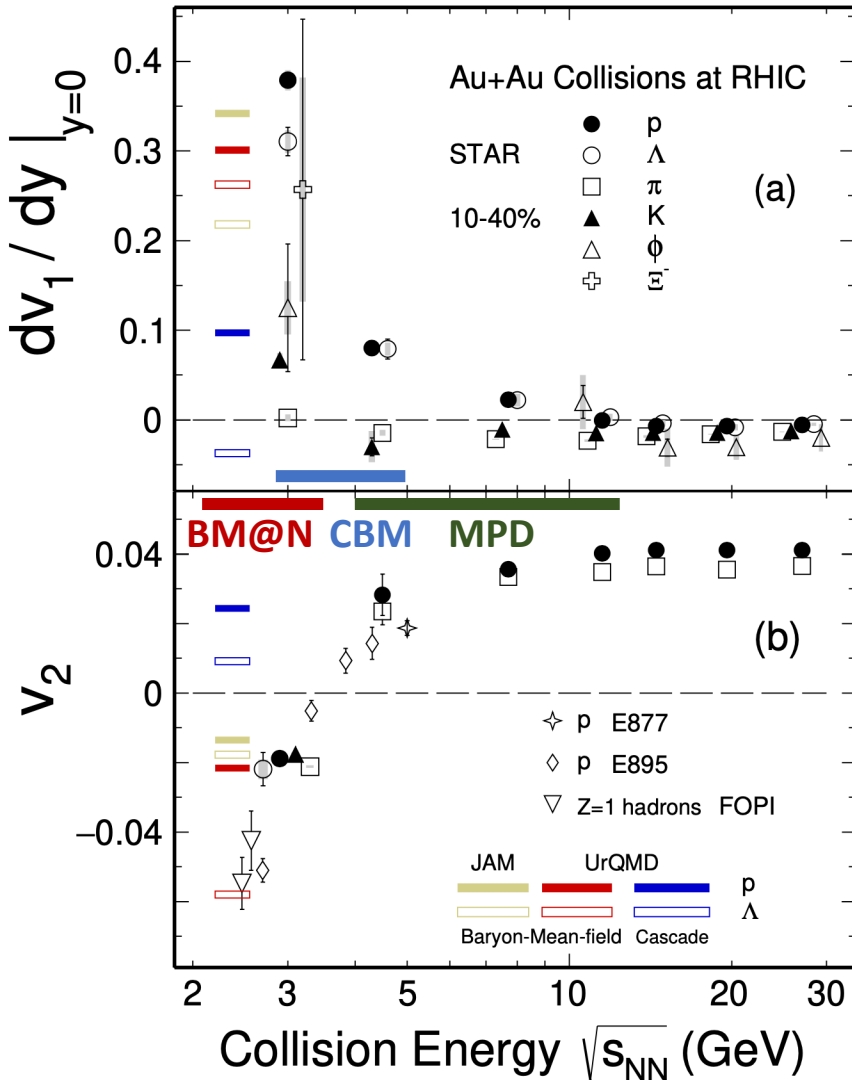
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Strong energy dependence of  $dv_1/dy$  and  $v_2$  at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=2-11$  GeV  
 Makes it difficult to perform comparisons between different experiments for  $v_2$  (change of sign with energy)

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**Goal of this work:**

- Perform scaling tests for anisotropic flow at Nuclotron-NICA energy range and make predictions what one can expect at BM@N ( $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=2.3-3.3$  GeV) and MPD ( $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=4-11$  GeV)

# Scaling properties of collective flow

“Change of collective-flow mechanism indicated by scaling analysis of transverse flow “ A. Bonasera, L.P. Csernai , [Phys. Rev. Lett. 59 \(1987\) 630](#)

The general features of the collective flow could, in principle, be expressed in terms of scale-invariant quantities. In this way the particular differences arising from the different initial conditions, masses, energies, etc. , can be separated from the general fluid-dynamical features

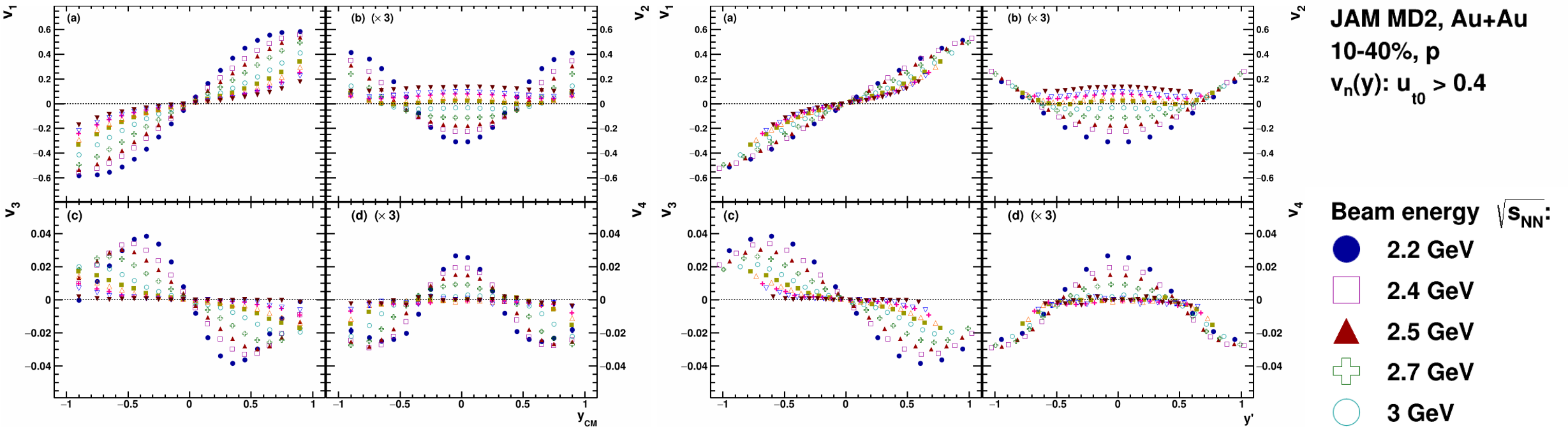
“Collective flow in heavy-ion collisions”, W. Reisdorf, H.G. Ritter [Ann.Rev. Nucl.Part.Sci. 47 \(1997\) 663-709](#) :

There is interest in using observables that are both coalescence and scale-invariant. ...The evolution in non-viscous hydrodynamics does not depend on the size of the system nor on the incident energy, if distances are rescaled in terms of a typical size parameter, such as the nuclear radius. Momenta and energies are rescaled in terms of the beam velocities, momenta or energies.

**The idea to look for scaling relations and use them was proposed a long time ago**

$$v_n(\sqrt{s_{NN}}, R, \text{centrality}, \text{PID}, p_T, y) = v_n(\sqrt{s_{NN}}, R, \text{centrality}) \times v_n(\text{PID}, p_T, y) ?$$

# $y'$ scaling: mean-field models



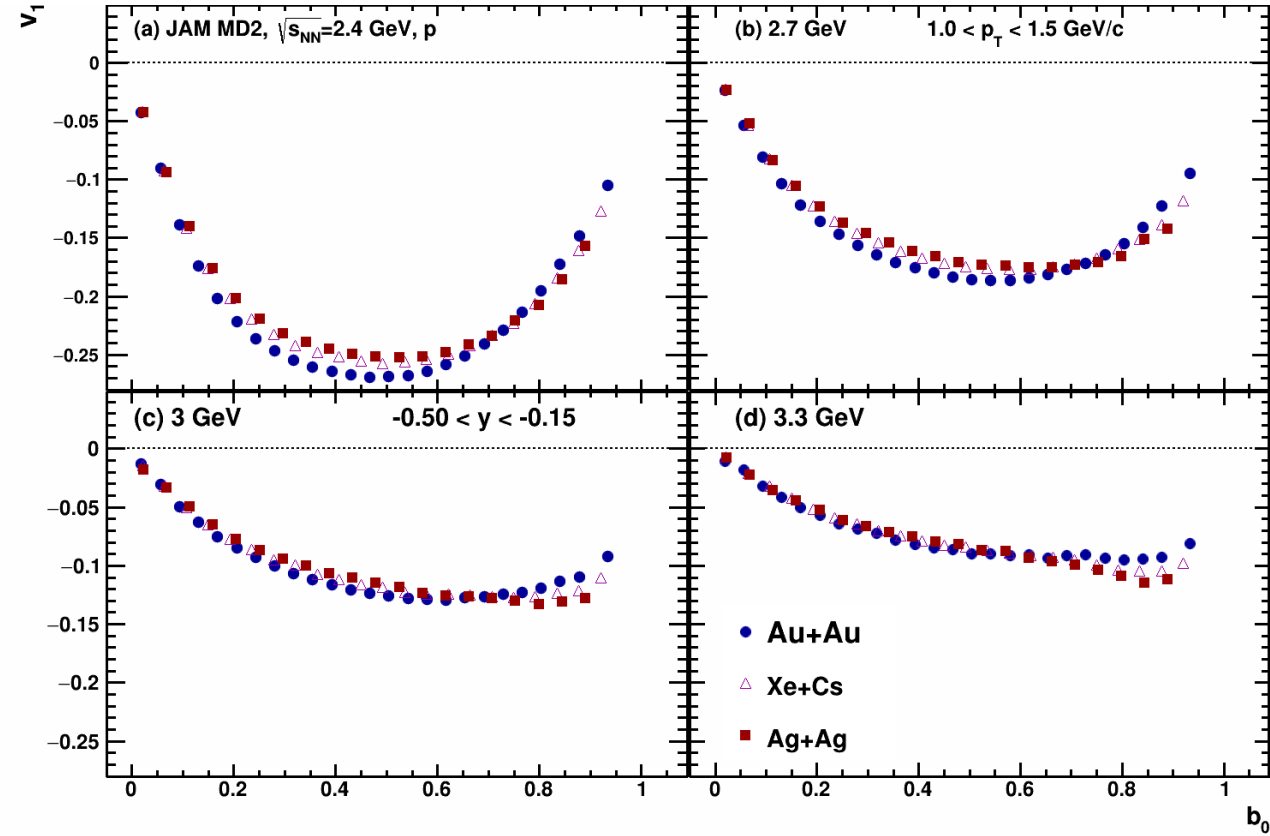
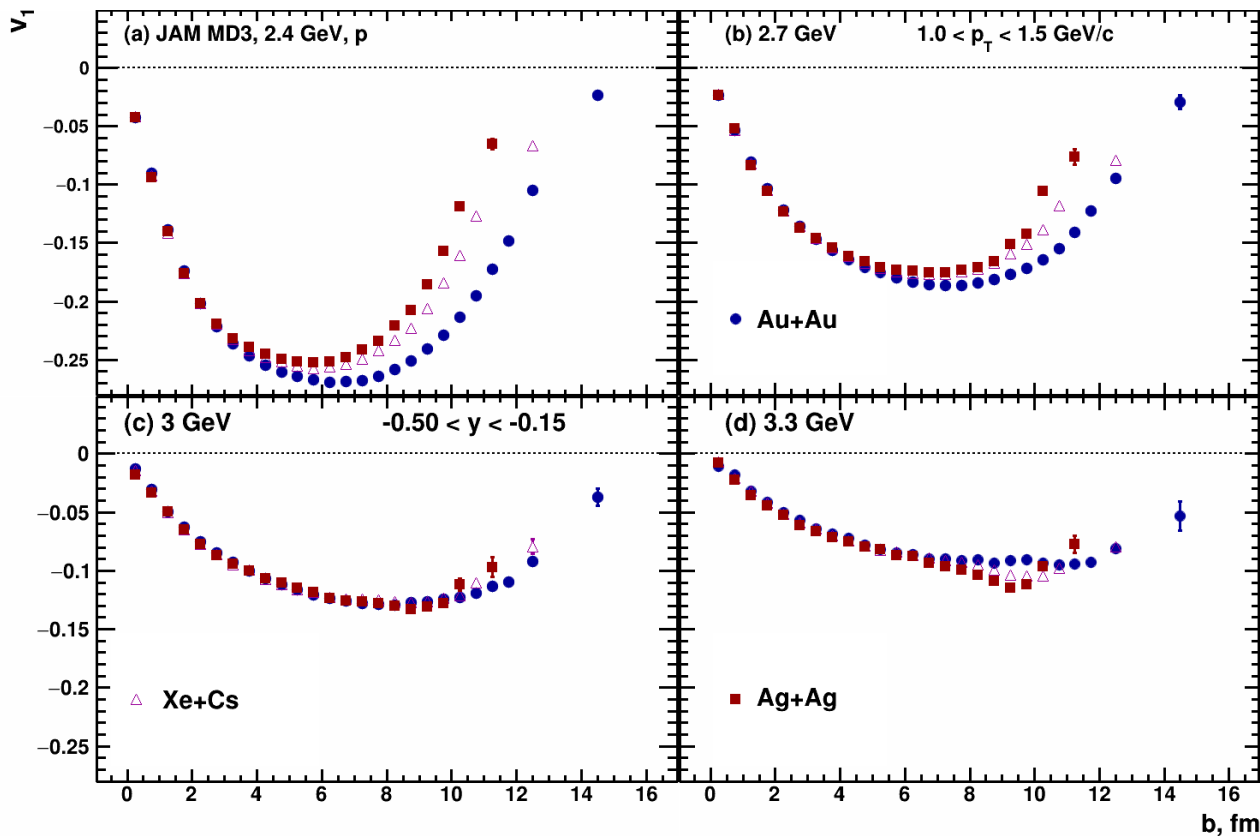
$$y' = y/y_{beam}, \quad t_{pass} = \frac{2R}{\gamma_{CM}\beta_{CM}} \equiv \frac{2R}{\sinh y_{beam}}$$

- Scaled rapidity  $y' = y_{CM}/y_{beam}$  dependence simplifies the energy dependence of  $v_n(y)$  and may reflect the partial scaling of  $v_n$  with  $t_{pass}$

# Scaling with system size

$$b_0 = b/b_{max}$$

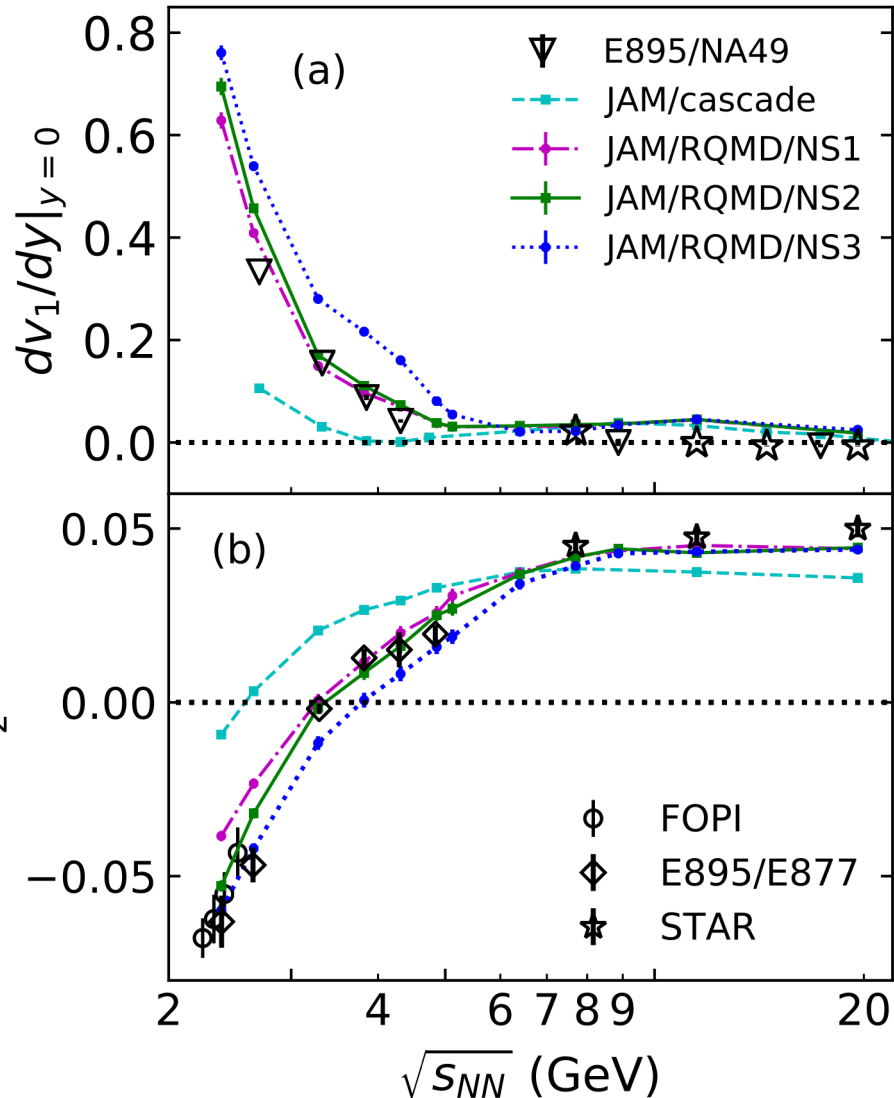
$$b_{max} = 1.15 \left( A_{targ}^{1/3} + A_{proj}^{1/3} \right)$$



- Scaling with  $b_0$  can be useful for comparison of the  $v_n$  results for different colliding systems
- Difference between  $v_n$  for Au+Au, Xe+Cs and Ag+Ag decreases with increasing  $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$

# Anisotropic flow study at $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=2-4$ GeV with JAM model

Y.Nara, et al., Phys. Rev. C 100, 054902 (2019)



To study energy dependence of  $v_n$ , JAM microscopic model was selected (ver. 1.90597)

NN collisions are simulated by:

- $\sqrt{s_{NN}} < 4$  GeV: resonance production
- $4 < \sqrt{s_{NN}} < 50$  GeV: soft string excitations
- $\sqrt{s_{NN}} > 10$  GeV: minijet production

We use RQMD with relativistic mean-field theory (non-linear  $\sigma$ - $\omega$  model) implemented in JAM model

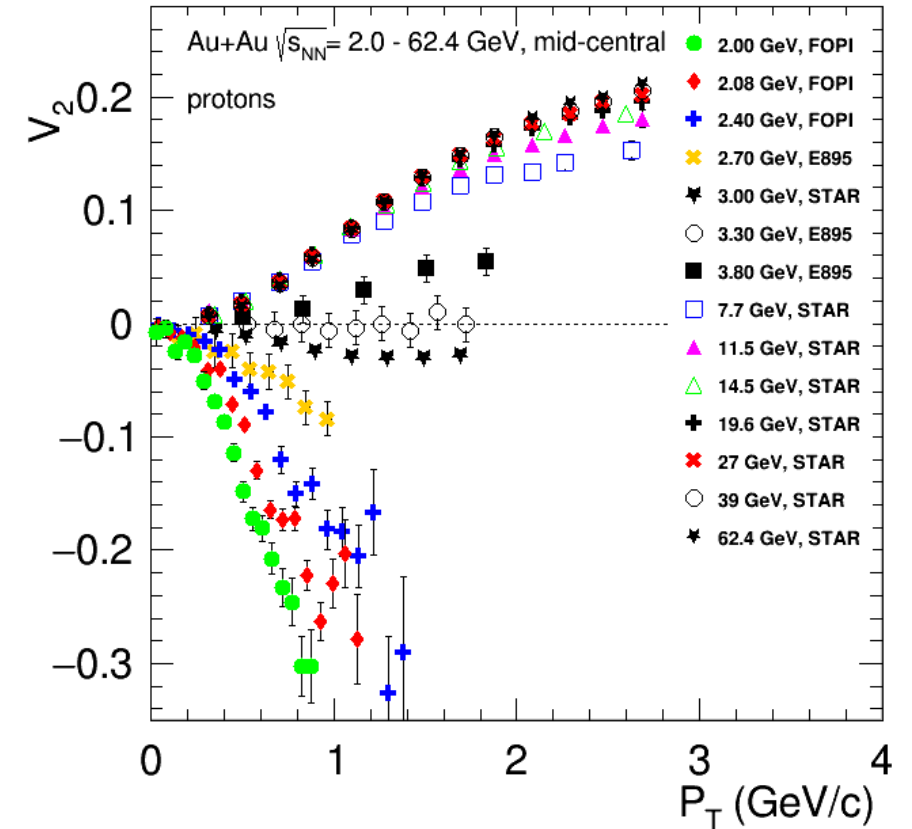
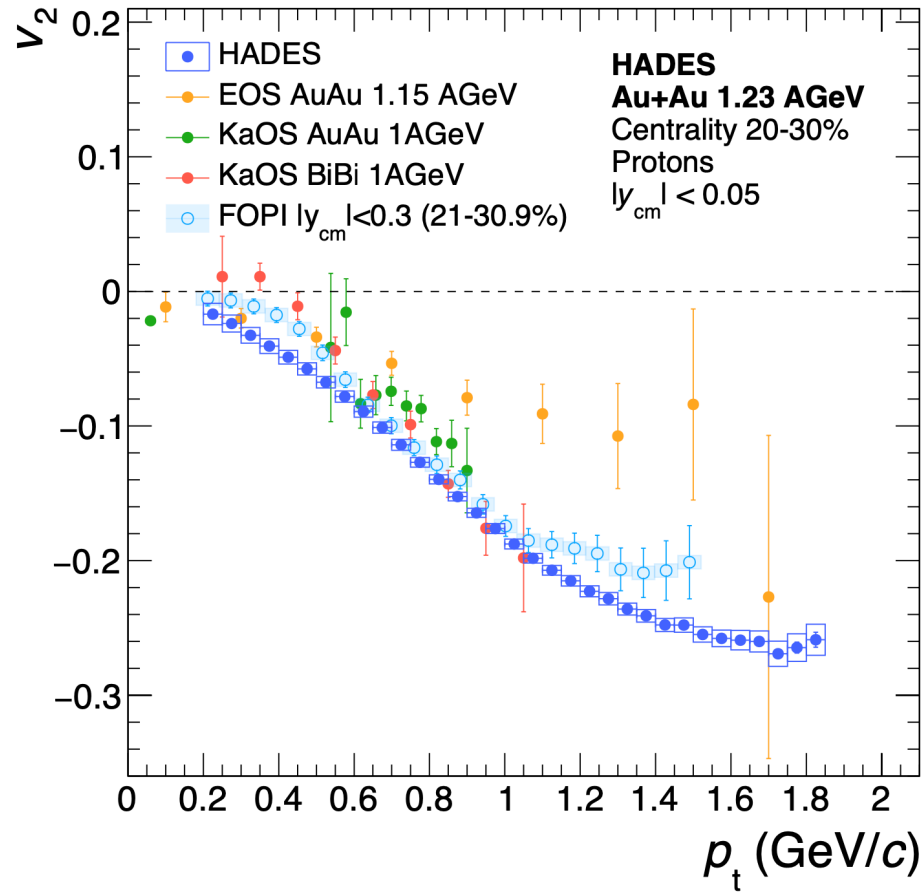
Different EOS were used:

- **MD2** (momentum-dependent potential):  $K=380$  MeV,  $m^*/m=0.65$ ,  $U_{opt}(\infty)=30$
- **MD4** (momentum-dependent potential):  $K=210$  MeV,  $m^*/m=0.83$ ,  $U_{opt}(\infty)=67$
- **NS1**:  $K=380$  MeV,  $m^*/m=0.83$ ,  $U_{opt}(\infty)=95$
- **NS2**:  $K=210$  MeV,  $m^*/m=0.83$ ,  $U_{opt}(\infty)=98$

Y.Nara, T.Maruyama, H.Stoecker Phys. Rev. C 102, 024913 (2020)

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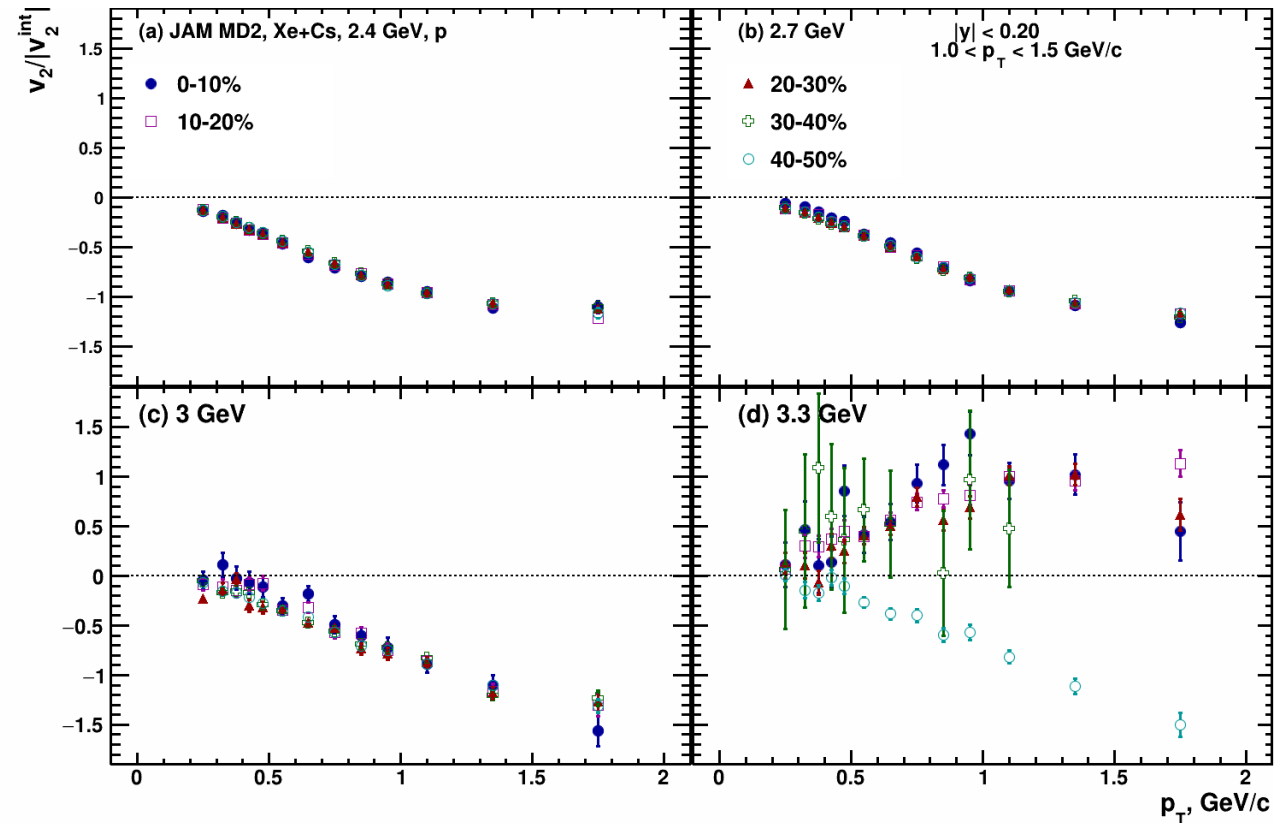
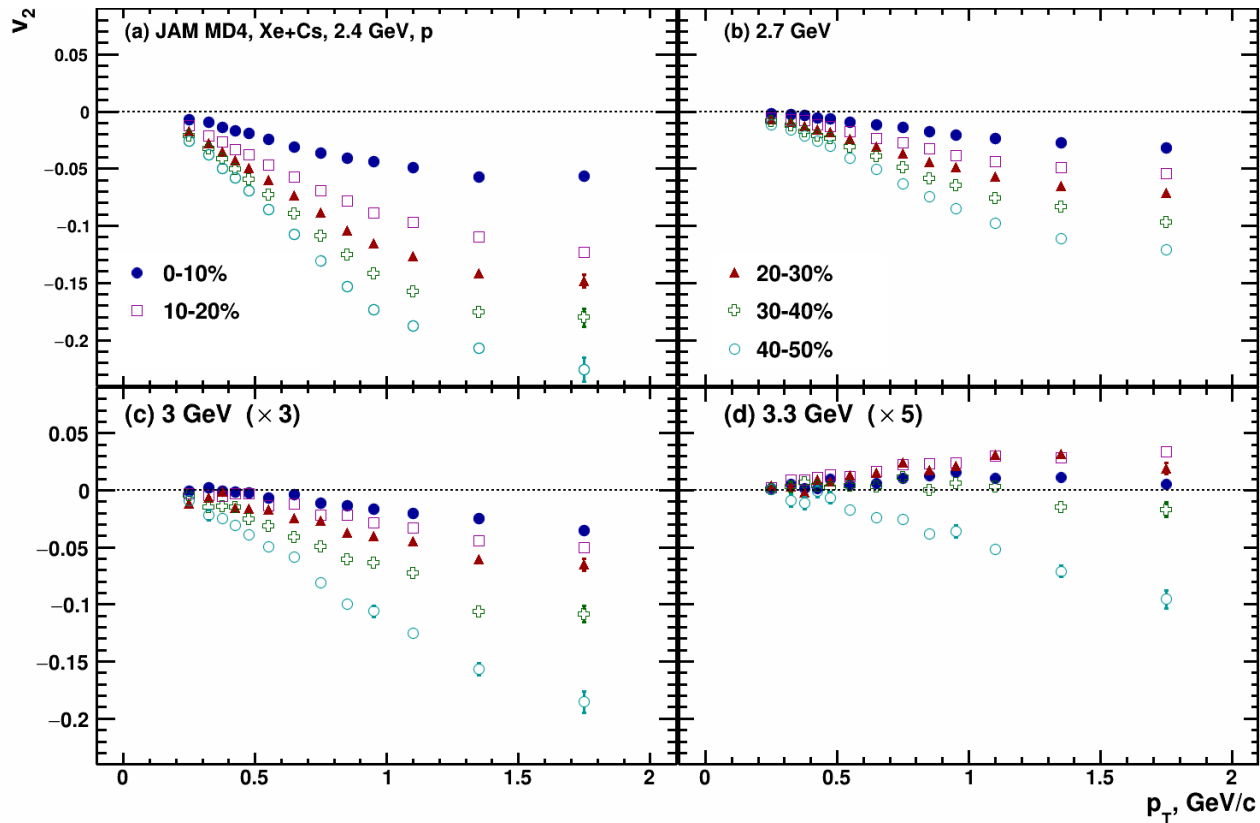
# Why do we need new measurements at BM@N, CBM and MPD?



- The main source of existing systematic errors in  $v_n$  measurements is the difference between results from different experiments (for example, FOPI and HADES)
- New data from the future BM@N ( $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=2.3-3.3$  GeV), CBM ( $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=2.7-4.9$  GeV) and MPD ( $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=4-11$  GeV) experiments will provide more detailed and robust  $v_n$  measurements

# Scaling with integrated $v_2$

$$|v_2^{int}| = |\langle v_2(p_T, y, \text{centrality, PID}) \rangle_{p_T, y}|$$



Scaling with integrated flow coefficient allows to perform comparison results from different centralities, beam energies and colliding systems

Scaling breaks at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 3.3$  GeV for  $v_2$