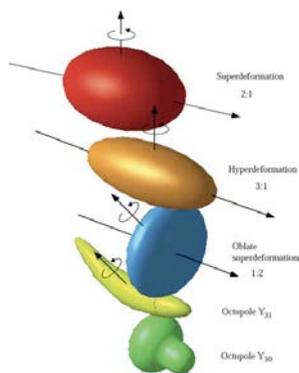
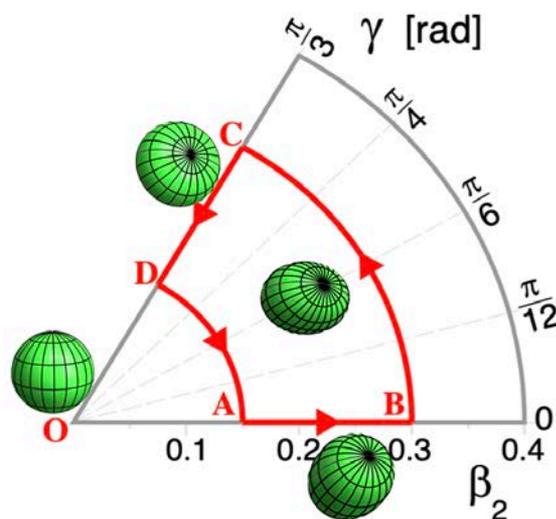


# Imaging the nuclear structure and initial condition of heavy-ion collisions across the nuclei chart

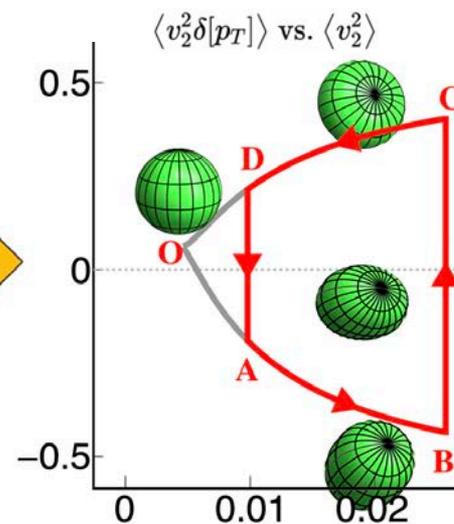
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Nuclear structure



High-energy collisions

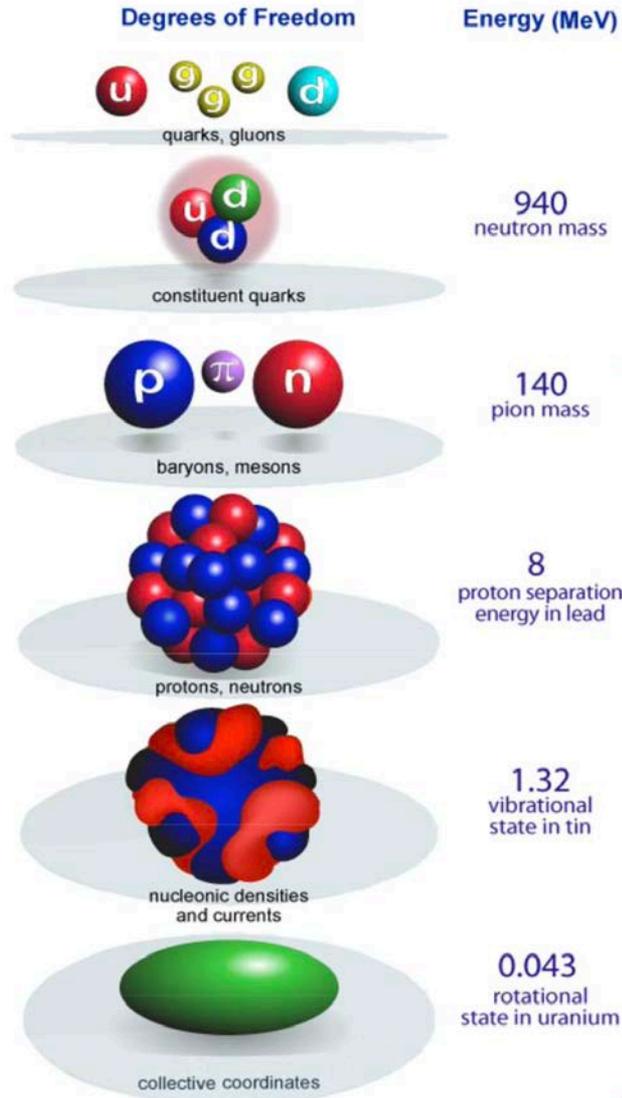


based partially on  
arXiv:2209.11042

**Imaging the initial condition of heavy-ion collisions and nuclear structure across the nuclide chart**

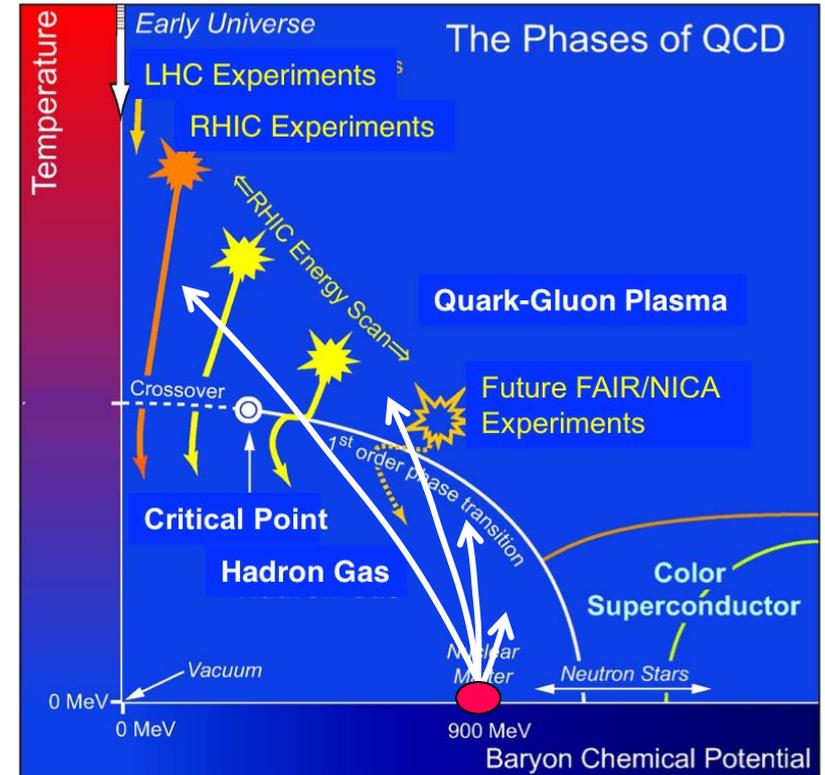
# Landscape of nuclear physics

Quark-gluon  
plasma



hadrons

nuclei

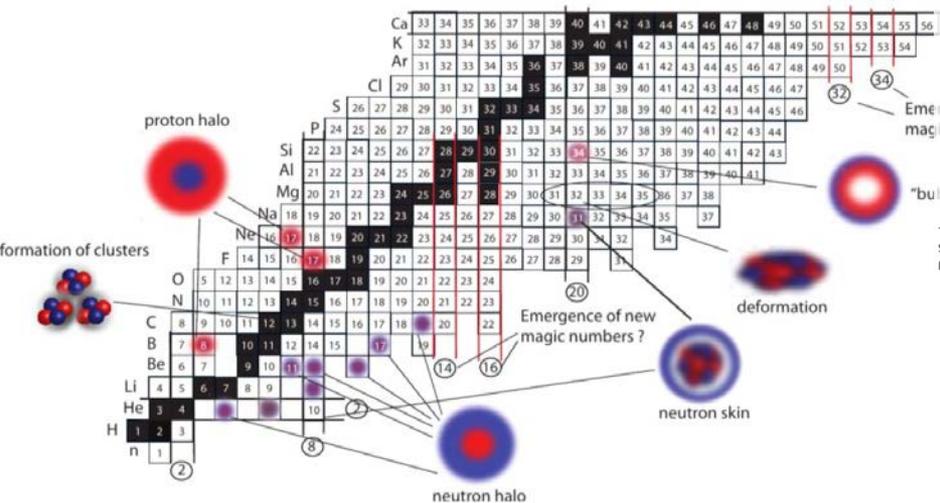
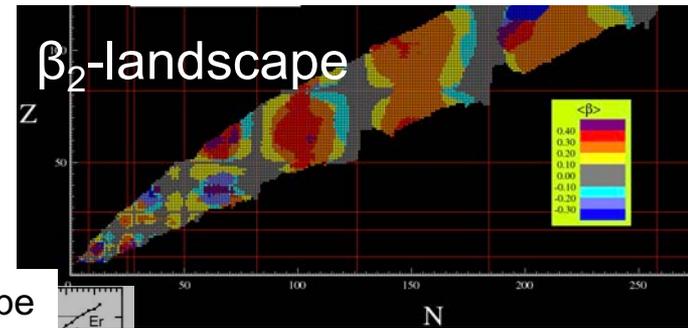


Most nuclear experiments starts with nuclei

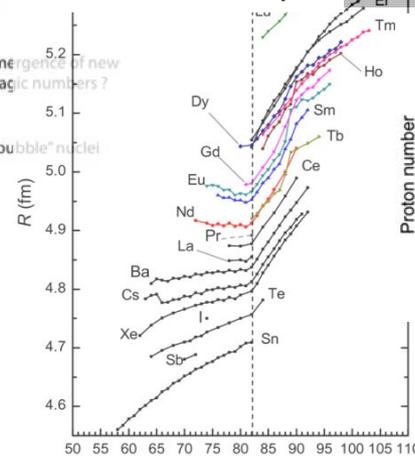
# Rich structure of atomic nuclei

## Collective phenomena of many-body quantum system

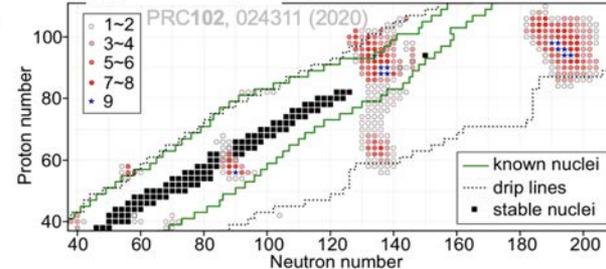
- clustering, halo, skin, bubble...
- quadrupole/octupole/hexadecapole deformations
- Nontrivial evaluation with N and Z.



## Radii-landscape

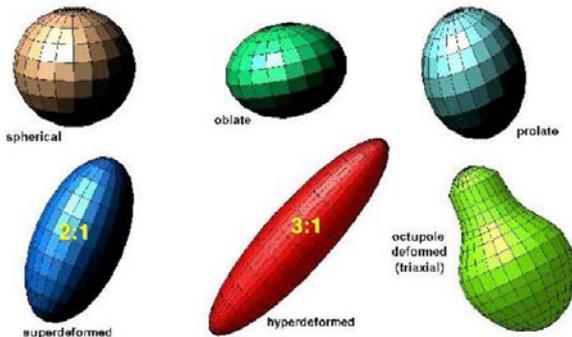


## $\beta_3$ -landscape

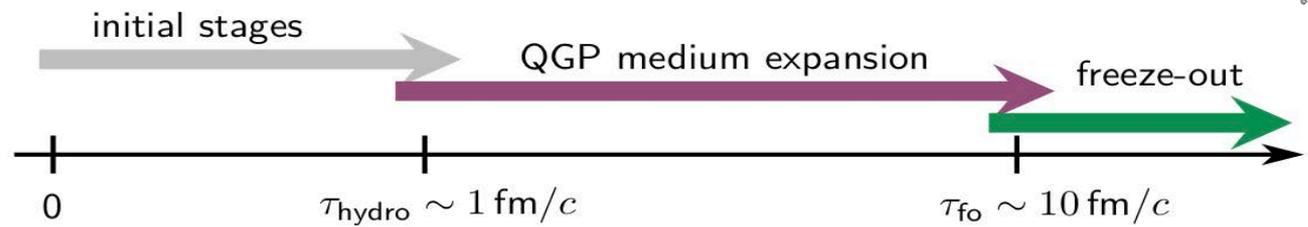
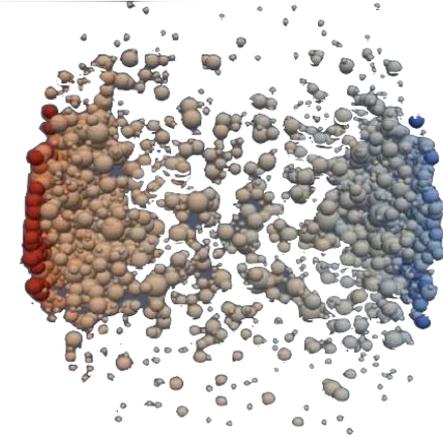
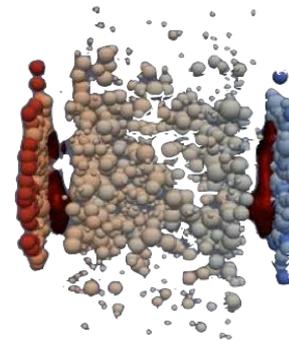
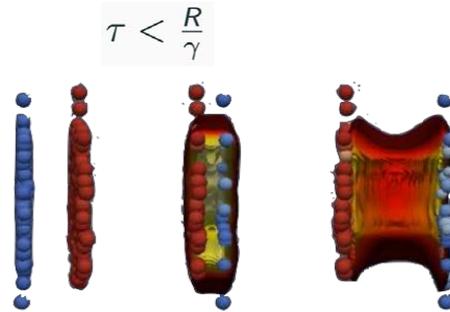
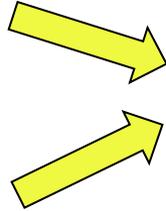
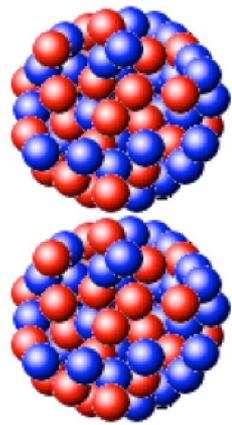


## Understanding via effective nuclear theories

- Lattice, Ab.initio (starting from NN interaction)
- Shell models (configuration interaction)
- DFT models (non-relativistic and covariant)



# High-energy heavy ion collision



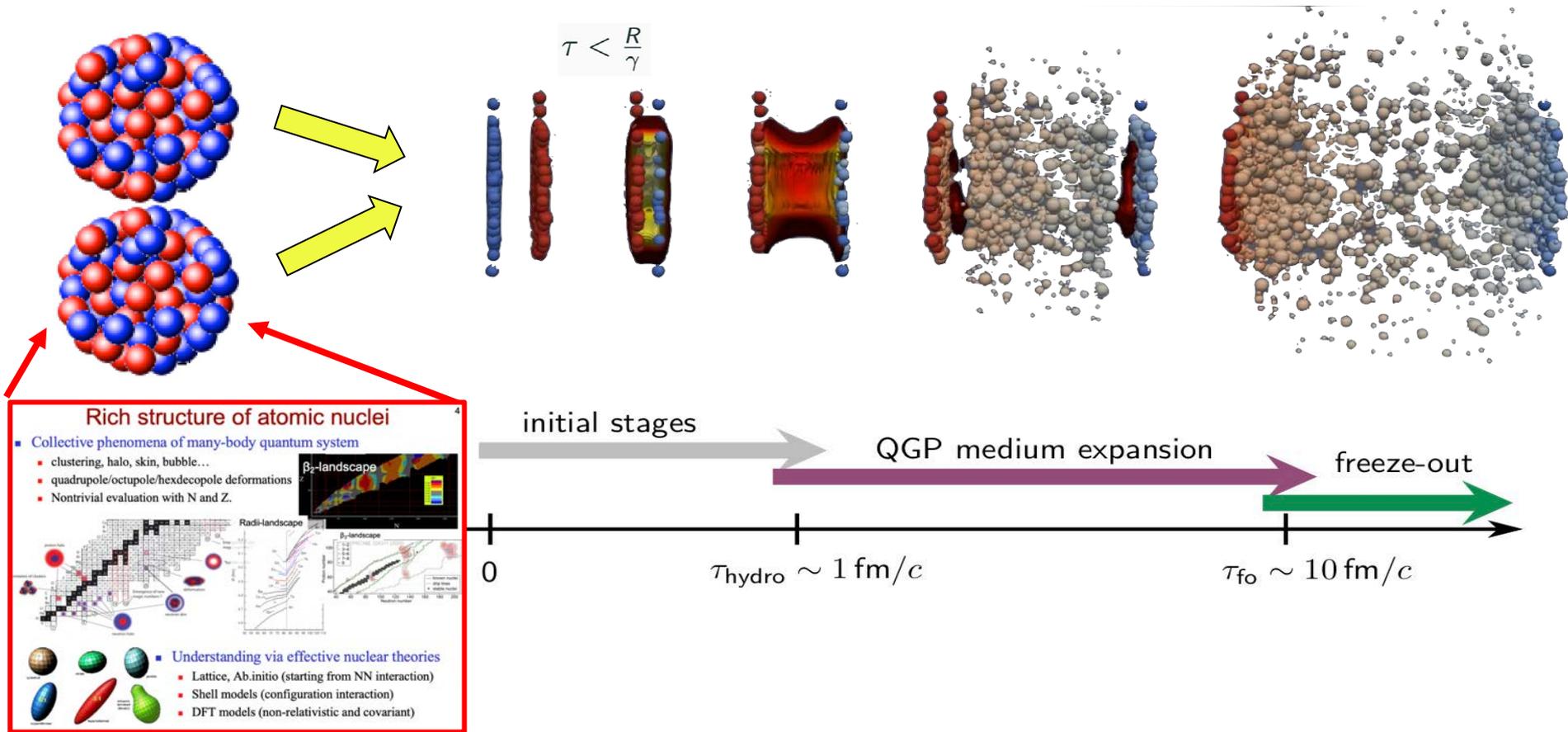
400 nucleons



in  $10^{-23}$  seconds

30000 hadrons

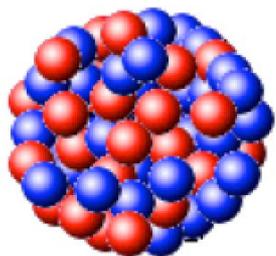
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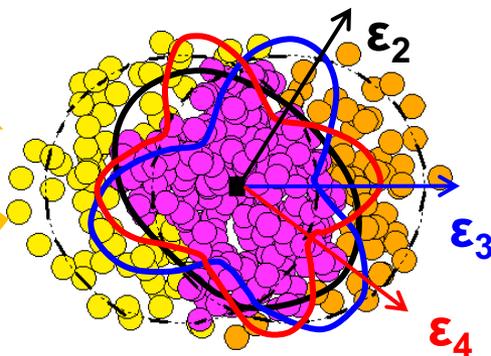
- 1) Are nuclear structures important for HI initial condition and final state evolution?
- 2) What HI experimental observables can be used to infer structure information?
- 3) Can HI provides competitive constraints on nuclear shape and radial profile? can consideration of nuclear structure improves understanding of HI initial condition?

# From nuclear structure to Quark Gluon Plasma

Nucleus

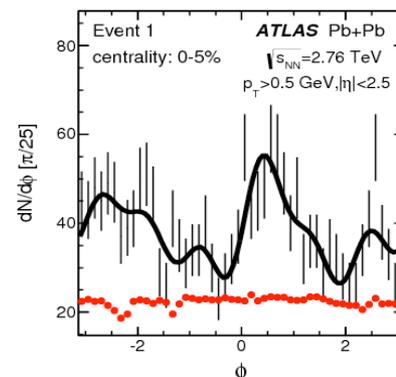


Initial condition



hydro

Final state



Nuclear structure

$$\rho(r, \theta, \phi) = \frac{\rho_0}{1 + e^{(r-R(\theta, \phi))/a_0}}$$

$$R(\theta, \phi) = R_0 \left( 1 + \beta_2 [\cos \gamma Y_{2,0} + \sin \gamma Y_{2,2}] + \beta_3 \sum_{m=-3}^3 \alpha_{3,m} Y_{3,m} + \beta_4 \sum_{m=-4}^4 \alpha_{4,m} Y_{4,m} \right)$$

Initial volume

$N_{part}$

Initial Size

$$R_{\perp}^2 \propto \langle r_{\perp}^2 \rangle,$$

Initial Shape

$$\mathcal{E}_2 \propto \langle r_{\perp}^2 e^{i2\phi} \rangle$$

$$\mathcal{E}_3 \propto \langle r_{\perp}^3 e^{i3\phi} \rangle$$

$$\mathcal{E}_4 \propto \langle r_{\perp}^4 e^{i4\phi} \rangle$$

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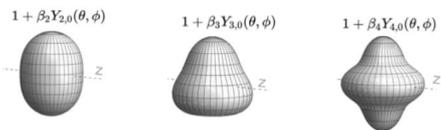
Multiplicity

$N_{ch}$

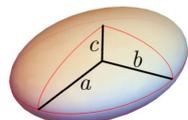
Radial Flow

Harmonic Flow

$$\frac{d^2 N}{d\phi dp_T} = N(p_T) \left( \sum_n V_n e^{-in\phi} \right)$$



Triaxial spheroid:  $a \neq b \neq c$ .



$$0 \leq \gamma \leq \pi/3$$

High energy: approx. linear response in each event:

$$\tau < \frac{R}{\gamma}$$

$$N_{ch} \propto N_{part} \quad \frac{\delta[p_T]}{[p_T]} \propto -\frac{\delta R_{\perp}}{R_{\perp}} \quad V_n \propto \mathcal{E}_n$$

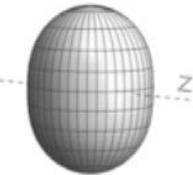
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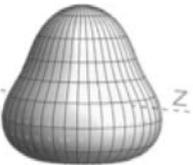
$$1 + \beta_2 Y_{2,0}(\theta, \phi)$$

Quadrupole:



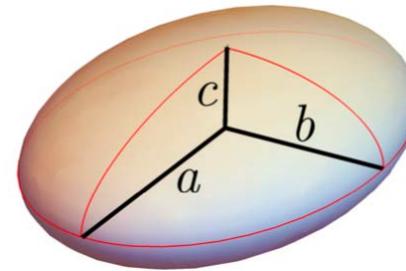
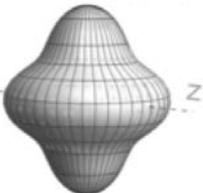
$$1 + \beta_3 Y_{3,0}(\theta, \phi)$$

Octupole:



$$1 + \beta_4 Y_{4,0}(\theta, \phi)$$

Hexadecapole:



$$0 \leq \gamma \leq \pi/3$$

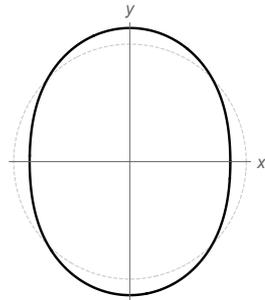
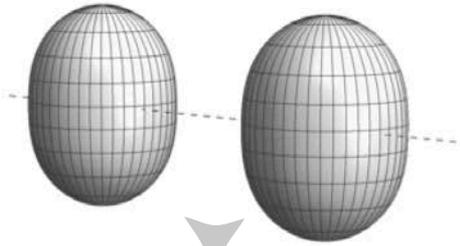
Prolate:  $a=b < c \rightarrow \beta_2, \gamma=0$

Oblate:  $a < b=c \rightarrow \beta_2, \gamma=\pi/3$

Triaxial:  $a < b < c \rightarrow \beta_2, \gamma=\pi/6$

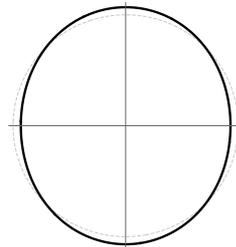
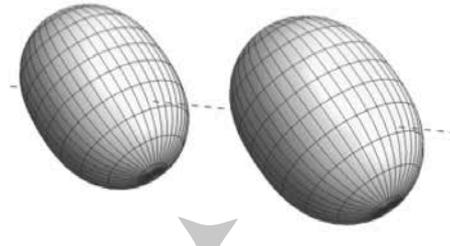
# How deformation influence HI initial state

Body-Body



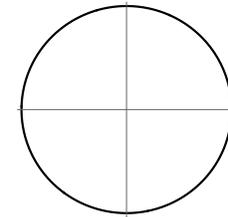
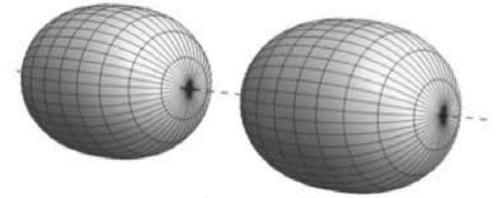
$$\epsilon_2 \sim 0.95\beta_2$$

$$\mathcal{E}_2 = \epsilon_2 e^{i2\Phi} \propto \langle \mathbf{r}_\perp^2 e^{i2\phi} \rangle$$



$$\epsilon_2 \sim 0.48\beta_2$$

Tip-Tip



$$\epsilon_2 \sim 0$$

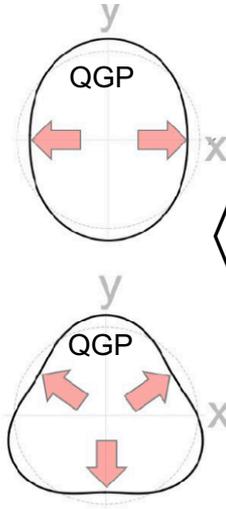
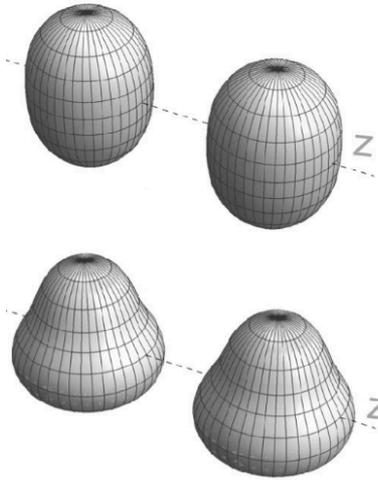
$$\epsilon_2 = \underbrace{\epsilon_0}_{\text{undeformed}} + \underbrace{\mathbf{p}(\Omega_1, \Omega_2)}_{\text{phase factor}} \beta_2 + \mathcal{O}(\beta_2^2) \longrightarrow \langle \epsilon_2^2 \rangle \approx \langle \epsilon_0^2 \rangle + 0.2\beta_2^2$$

Shape depends on Euler angle  $\Omega = \varphi\theta\psi$

# Expected structure dependencies

arXiv:2106.08768

Central collisions

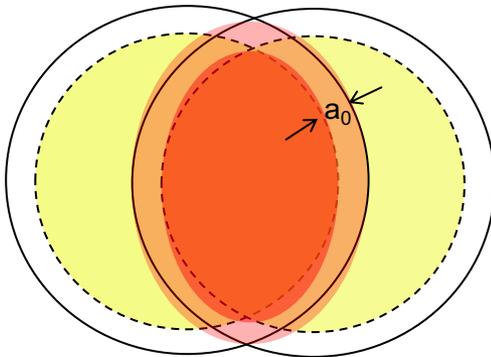


$$\langle v_2^2 \rangle \approx a_2 + b_2 \beta_2^2 + c_3 \beta_3^2$$

$$\langle (\delta p_T / p_T)^2 \rangle \approx a_0 + b_0 \beta_2^2 + c_0 \beta_3^2$$

$$\langle v_3^2 \rangle \approx a_3 + b_3 \beta_3^2$$

Non-Central collisions

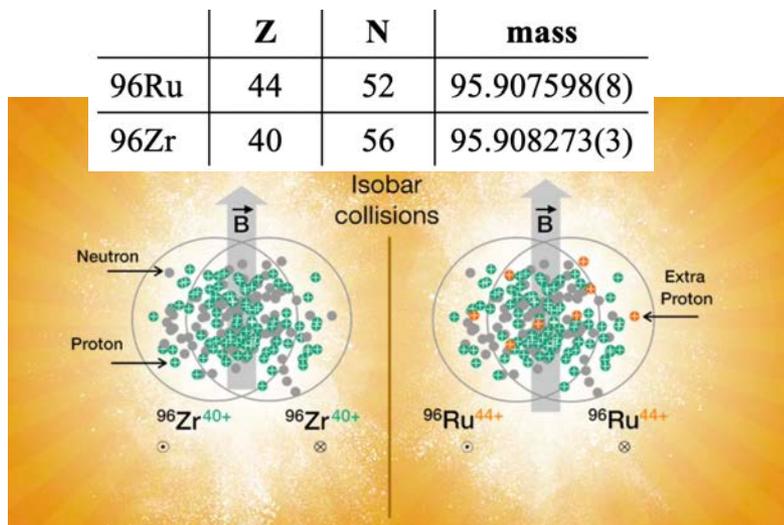


The shape and size the overlap, therefore  $v_2$  and  $p_T$ , also depend on diffuseness  $a_0$  and radius  $R_0$

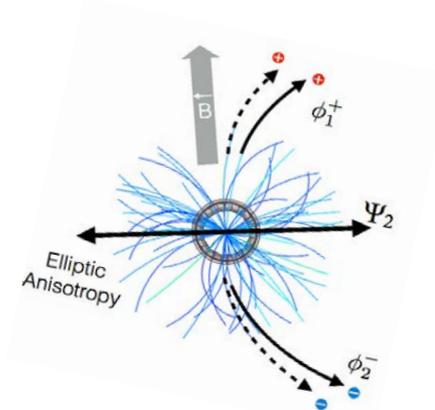
At fixed  $N_{\text{part}}$   $a_0 \searrow \Rightarrow v_2 \nearrow \quad p_T \nearrow$

$R_0 \searrow \Rightarrow p_T \nearrow$

# Isobar collisions at RHIC



*arXiv:2109.00131*



Voloshin, hep-ph/0406311

- Designed to search for the **chiral magnetic effect**: strong P & CP violation of QCD in the presence of EM field. Turns out the CME signal is small, and isobar-differences are dominated by the nuclear structure differences.
- <0.4% precision is achieved** in ratio of many observables between  $^{96}\text{Ru}+^{96}\text{Ru}$  and  $^{96}\text{Zr}+^{96}\text{Zr}$  systems  $\rightarrow$  **precision imaging tool**

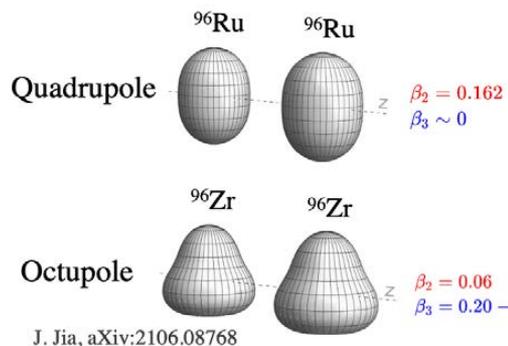
# Isobar collisions as a precision tool

- A key question for any HI observable  $\mathcal{O}$ :

$$\frac{O_{^{96}\text{Ru}+^{96}\text{Ru}}}{O_{^{96}\text{Zr}+^{96}\text{Zr}}} \stackrel{?}{=} 1$$

Deviation from 1 must have origin in the nuclear structure, which impacts the initial state and then survives to the final state.

- Expectation



$$\rho(r, \theta, \phi) \propto \frac{1}{1 + e^{[r - R_0(1 + \beta_2 Y_2^0(\theta, \phi) + \beta_3 Y_3^0(\theta, \phi))]/a_0}}$$

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$$\mathcal{O} \approx b_0 + b_1 \beta_2^2 + b_2 \beta_3^2 + b_3 (R_0 - R_{0,\text{ref}}) + b_4 (a - a_{\text{ref}})$$

$$R_{\mathcal{O}} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{O}_{\text{Ru}}}{\mathcal{O}_{\text{Zr}}} \approx 1 + c_1 \Delta \beta_2^2 + c_2 \Delta \beta_3^2 + c_3 \Delta R_0 + c_4 \Delta a$$

Only probes isobar differences

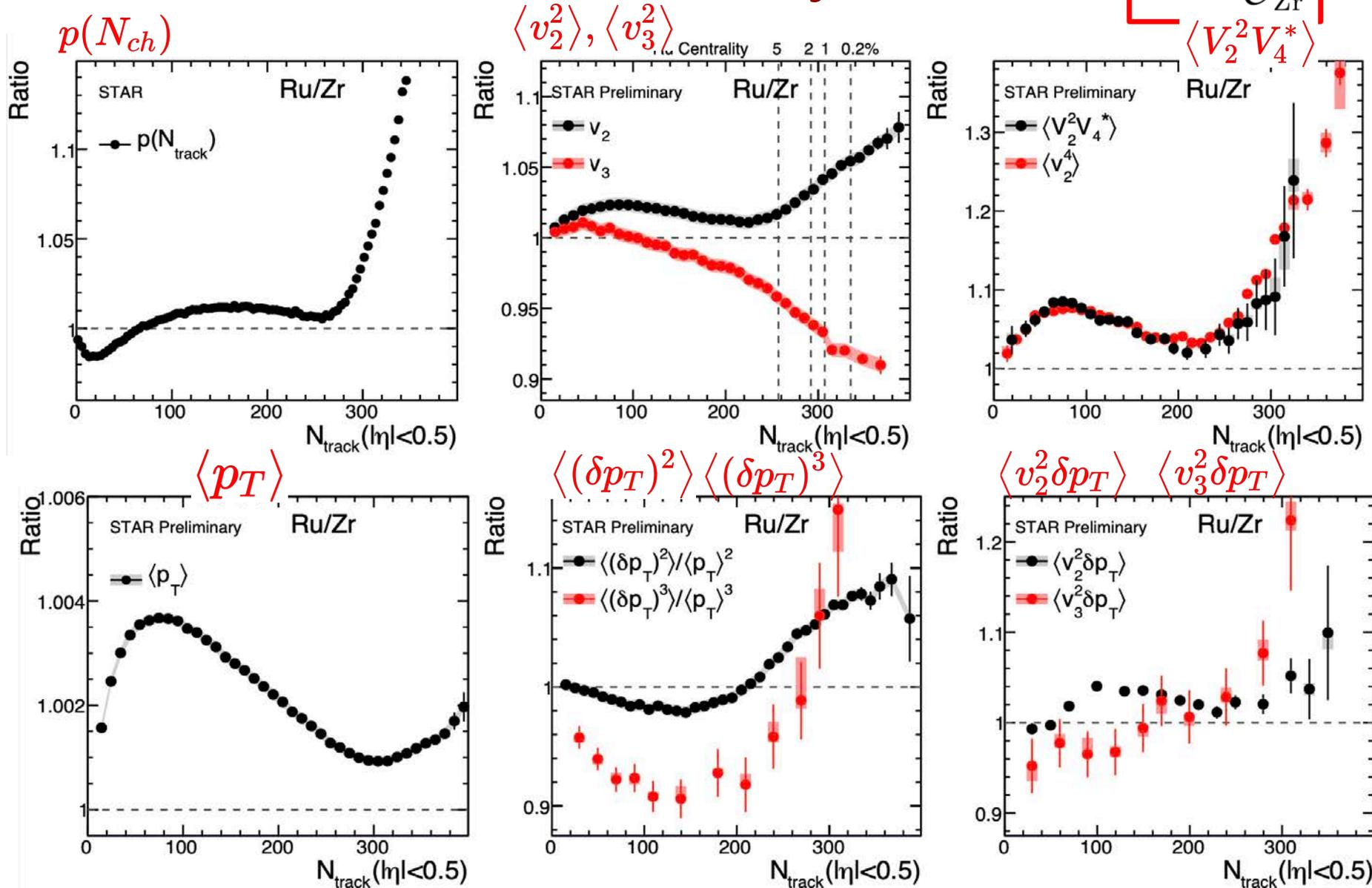
Relate to neutron skin:  $\Delta r_{\text{np}} = \langle r_n \rangle^{1/2} - \langle r_p \rangle^{1/2}$

$$\Delta r_{\text{np,Ru}} - \Delta r_{\text{np,Zr}} \propto \underbrace{(R_0 \Delta R_0 - R_{0p} \Delta R_{0p})}_{\text{mass}} + \overbrace{7/3\pi^2 (a \Delta a - a_p \Delta a_p)}^{\text{charge}}$$

Species	$\beta_2$	$\beta_3$	$a_0$	$R_0$
Ru	0.162	0	0.46 fm	5.09 fm
Zr	0.06	0.20	0.52 fm	5.02 fm
difference	$\Delta \beta_2^2$	$\Delta \beta_3^2$	$\Delta a_0$	$\Delta R_0$
	0.0226	-0.04	-0.06 fm	0.07 fm

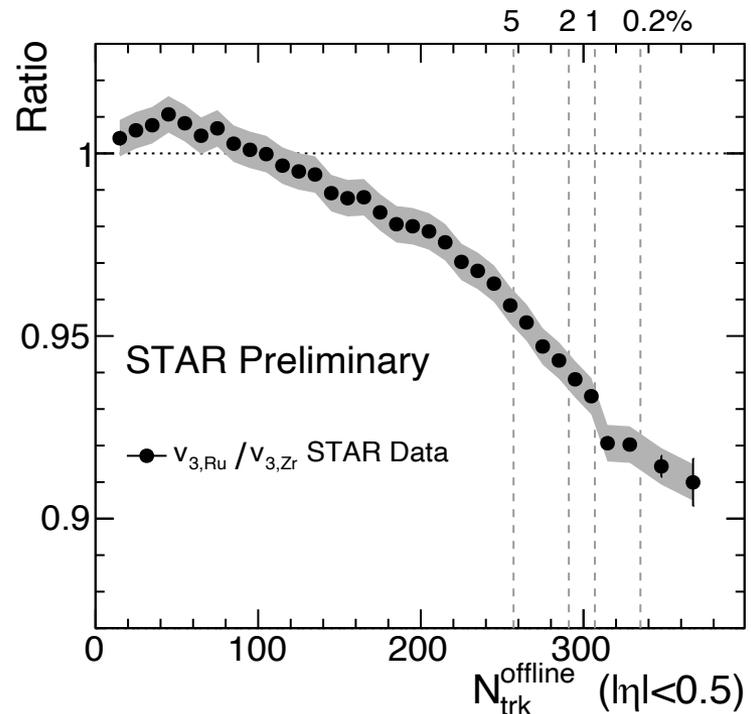
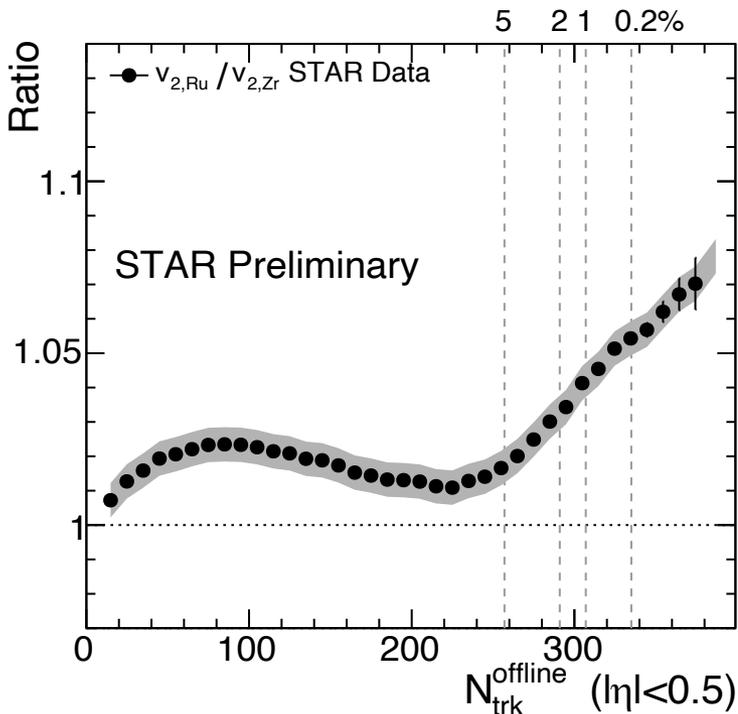
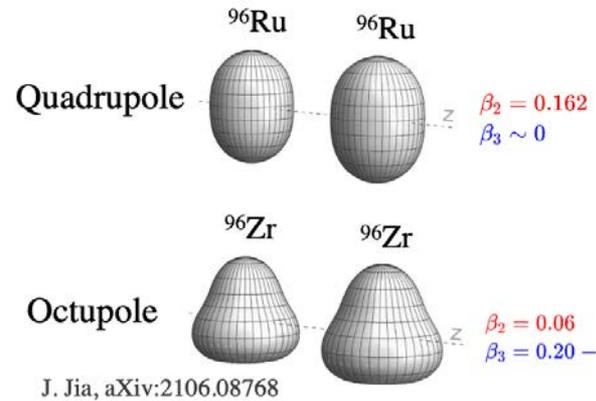
# Structure influences everywhere

$$R_{\mathcal{O}} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{O}_{\text{Ru}}}{\mathcal{O}_{\text{Zr}}} \quad 12$$



We can ask the same question for isobar ratios for hard probes

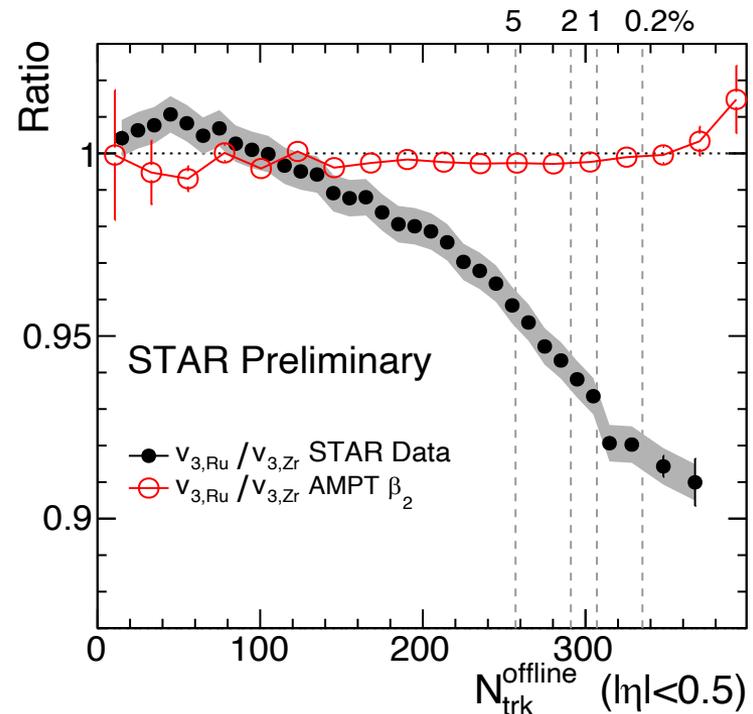
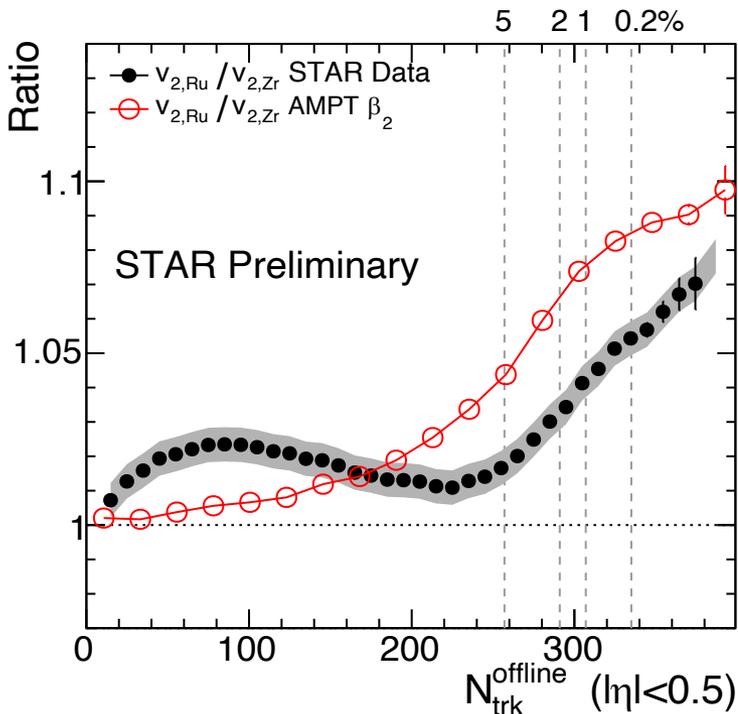
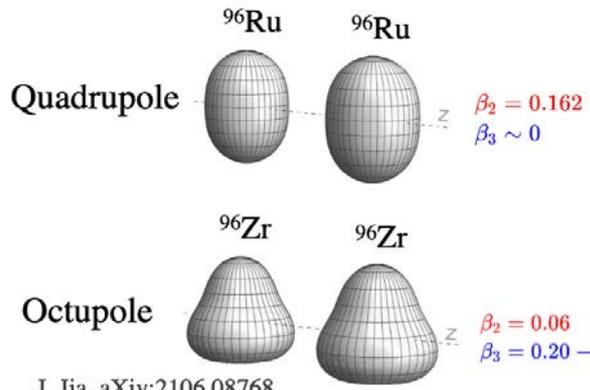
# Nuclear structure via $v_n$ -ratio



Simultaneously constrain these parameters using different  $N_{\text{ch}}$  regions

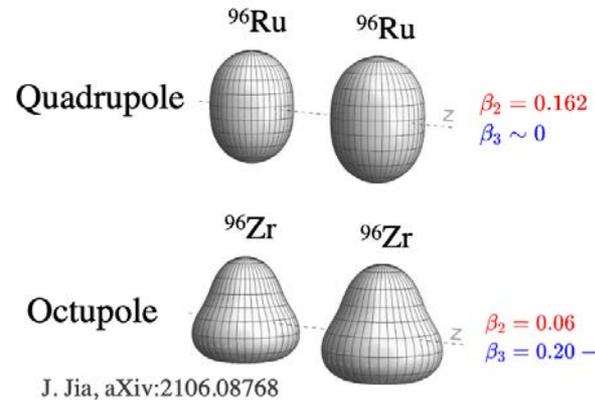
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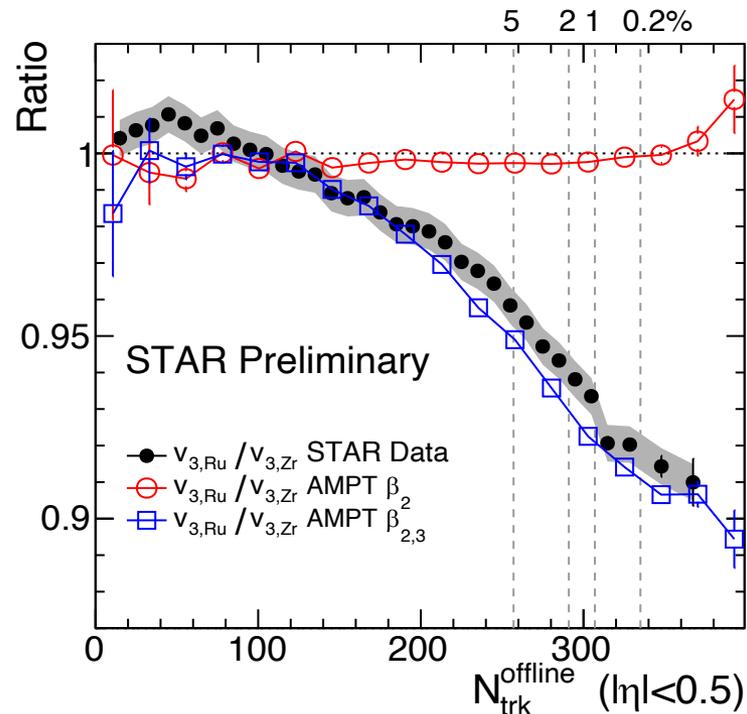
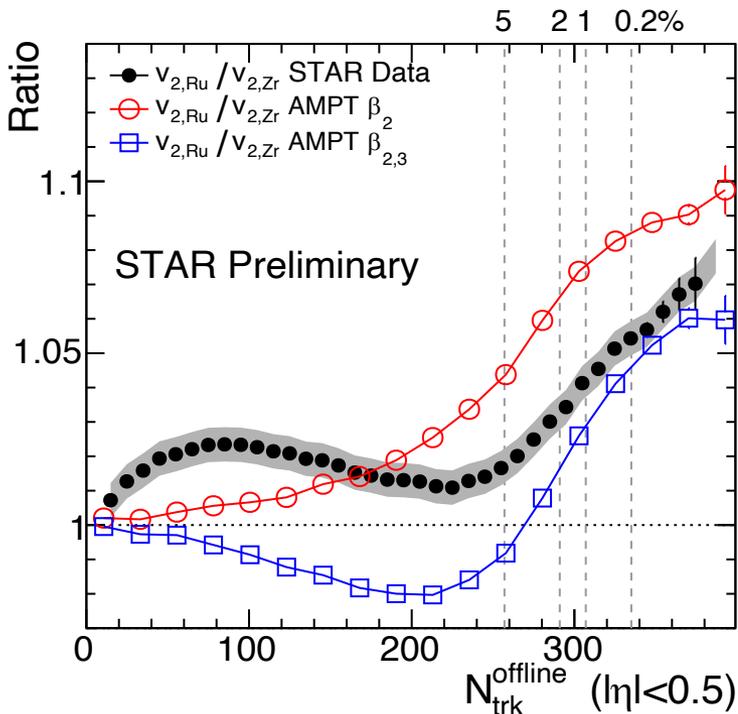


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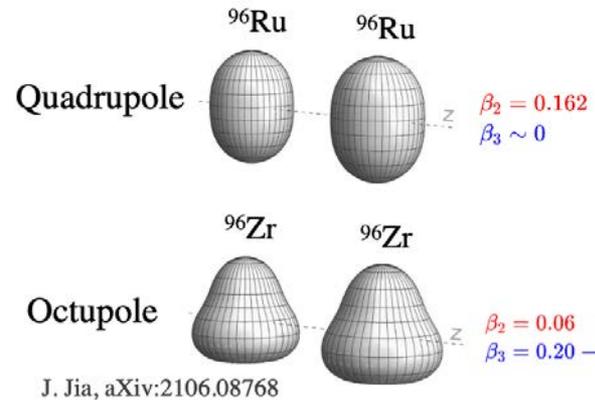


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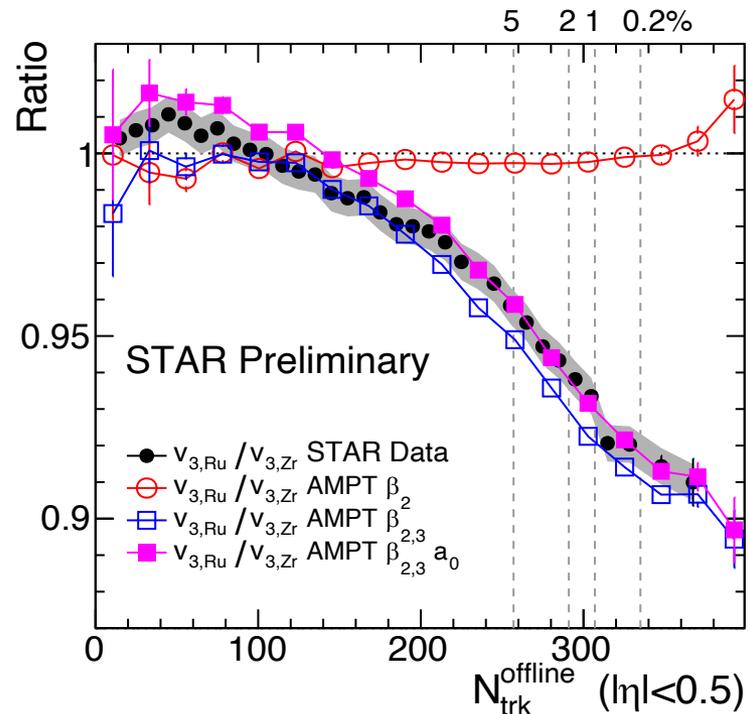
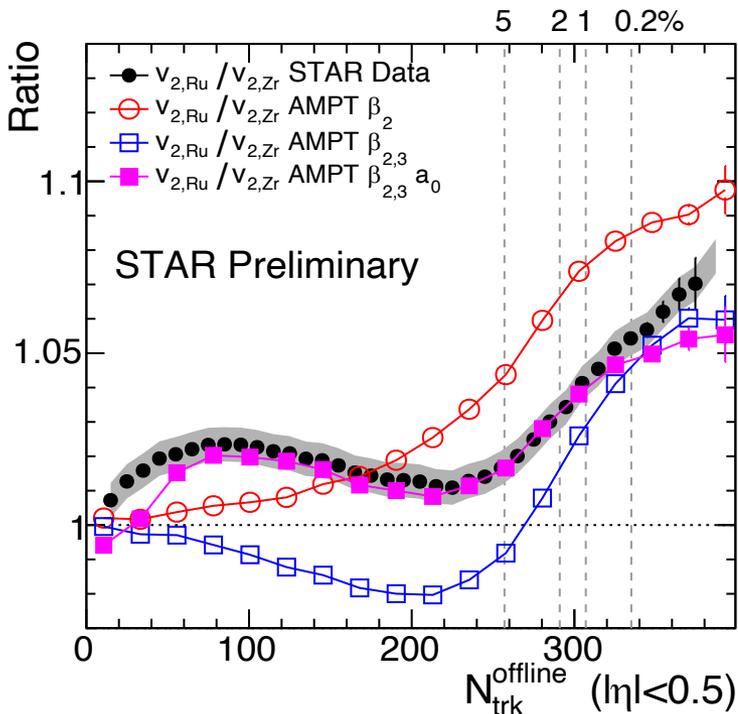


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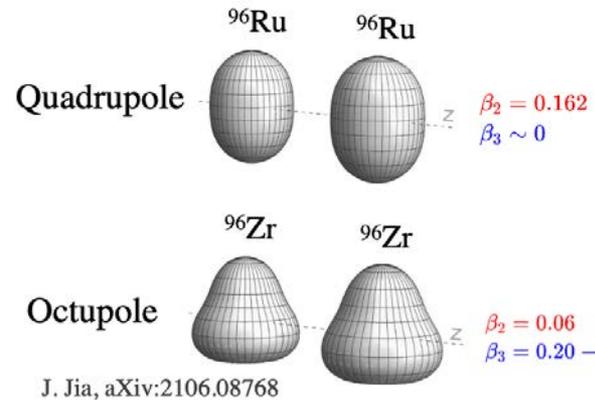


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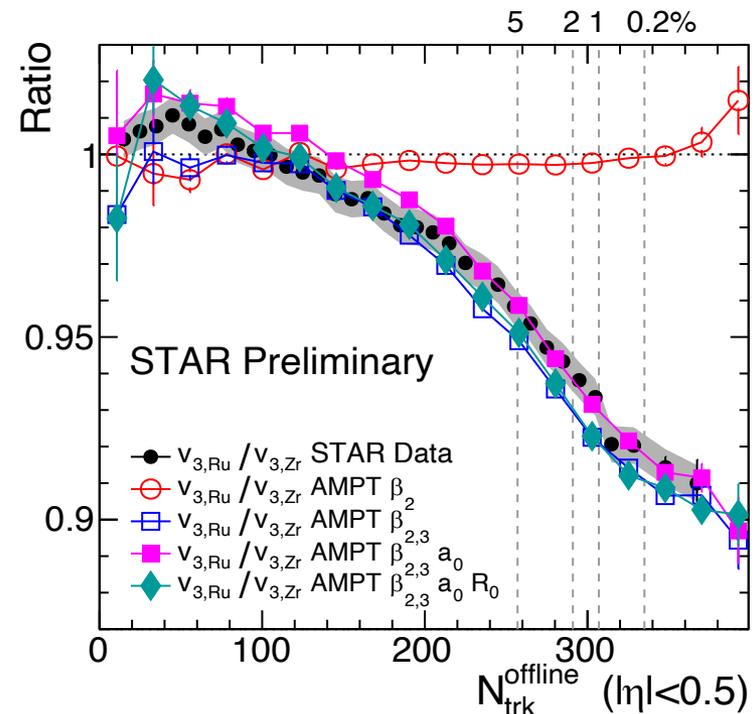
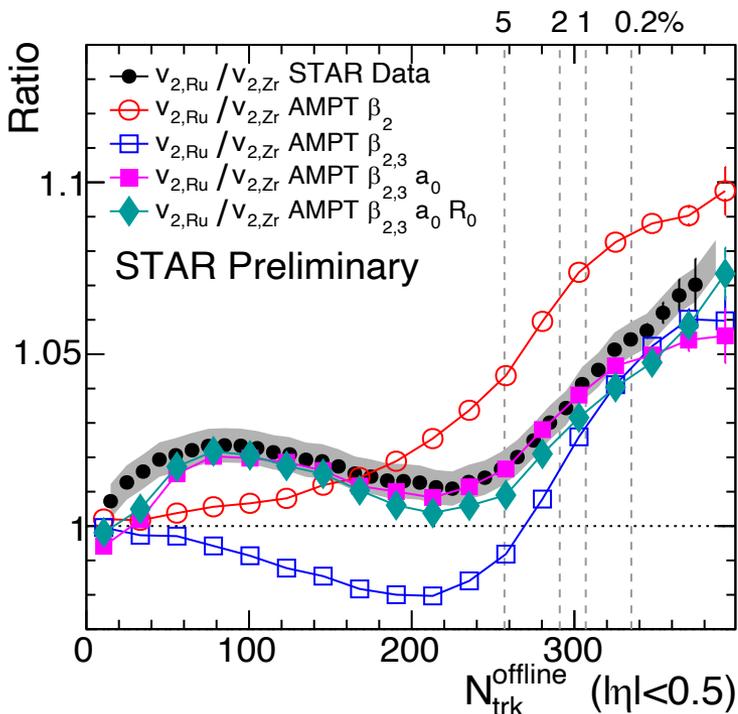
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- Radius  $\Delta R_0 = 0.07\text{fm}$  only slightly affects  $v_2$  and  $v_3$  ratio.

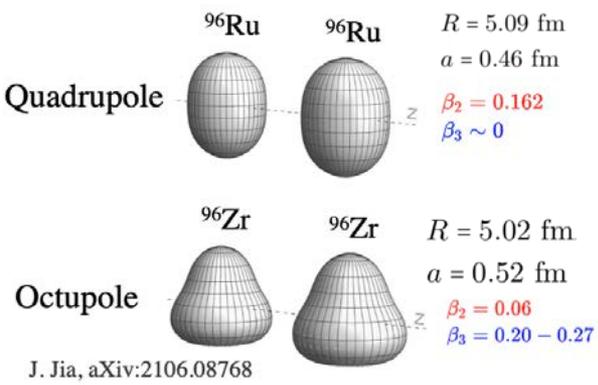
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Simultaneously constrain these parameters using different  $N_{\text{ch}}$  regions

# Nuclear structure via $p(N_{ch})$ , $\langle p_T \rangle$ -ratio

Earlier studies on this from H.Li, H.J Xu, PRL125, 222301 (2020) arXiv:2111.14812



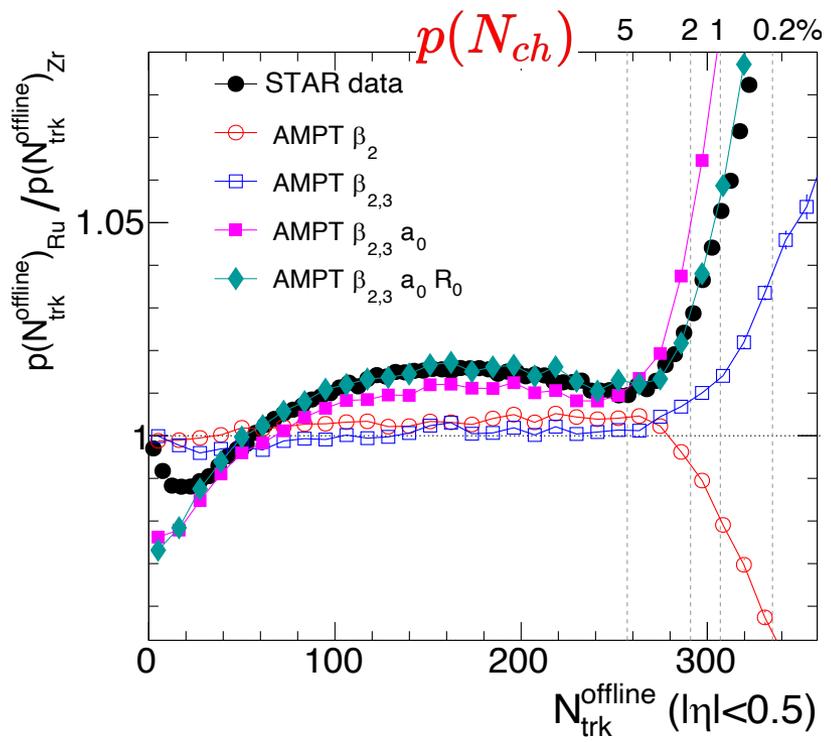
## ■ For $N_{ch}$ ratio:

- $\beta_{2\text{Ru}} \sim 0.16$  decrease ratio, increase after considering  $\beta_{3\text{Zr}} \sim 0.2$
- The bump structure in non-central region from  $\Delta a_0$  and  $\Delta R_0$

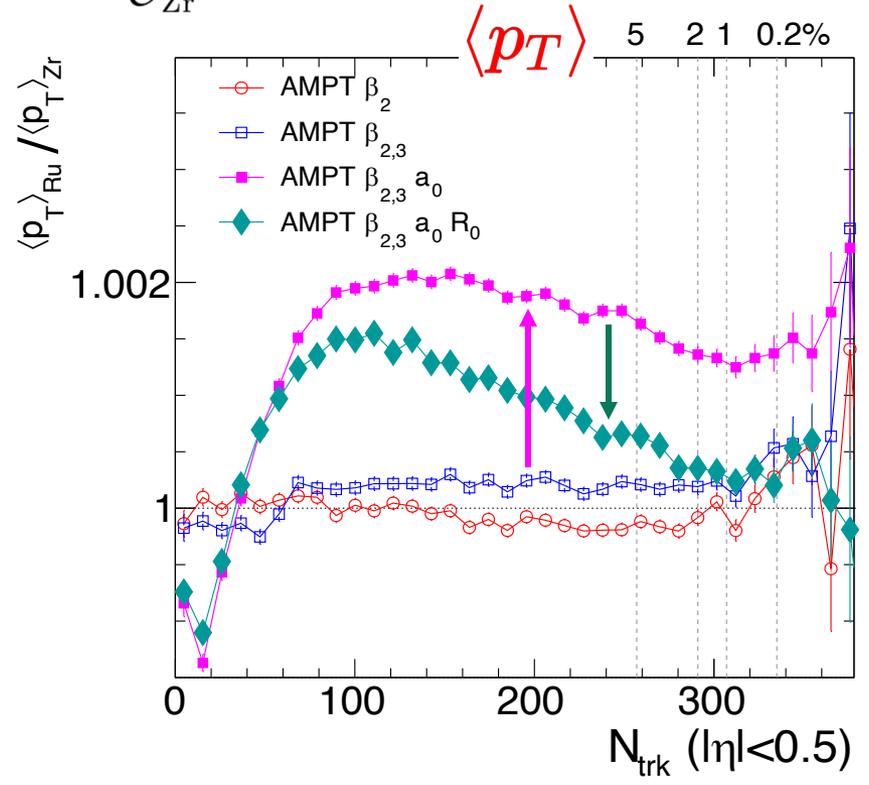
## ■ For $\langle p_T \rangle$ ratio:

- Strong influence from  $\Delta a_n$  and  $\Delta R_n$

$$R_O \equiv \frac{O_{\text{Ru}}}{O_{\text{Zr}}} \approx 1 + c_1 \Delta \beta_2^2 + c_2 \Delta \beta_3^2 + c_3 \Delta R_0 + c_4 \Delta a$$



$\Delta a_0$  and  $\Delta R_0$  influences add up

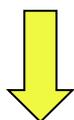


$\Delta a_0$  and  $\Delta R_0$  influences cancel

# Isobar ratios not affected by final state

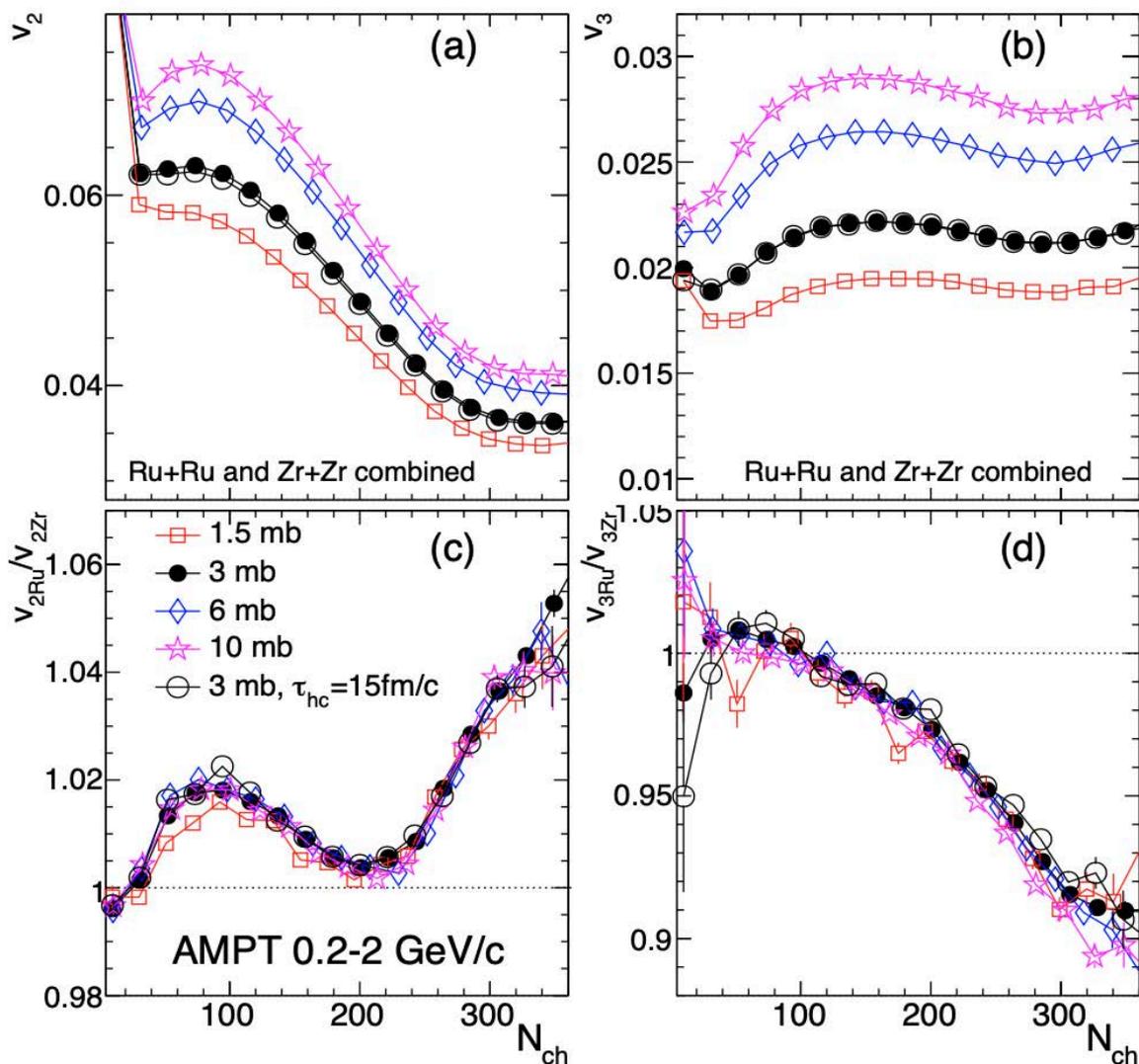
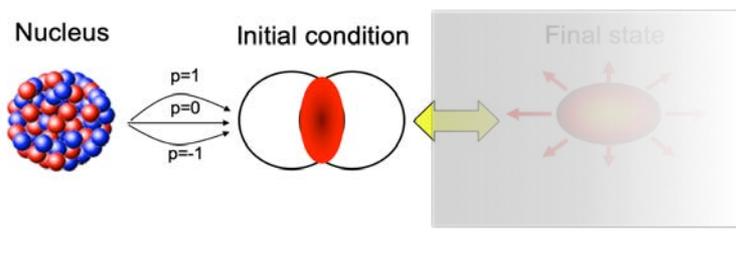
- Vary the shear viscosity via partonic cross-section
  - Flow signal change by 30-50%, the  $v_n$  ratio unchanged.

$$v_n = k_n \varepsilon_n$$



$$\frac{v_{n,Ru}}{v_{n,Zr}} \approx \frac{\varepsilon_{n,Ru}}{\varepsilon_{n,Zr}}$$

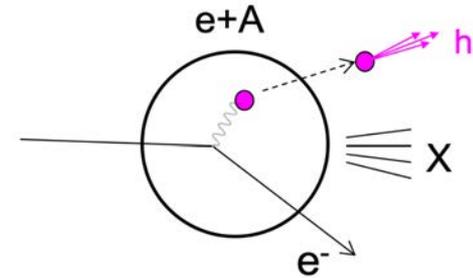
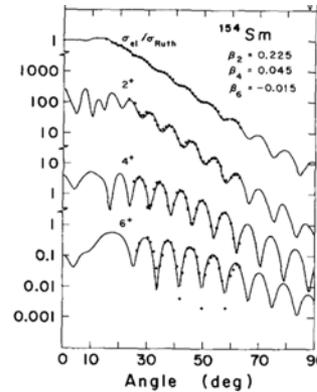
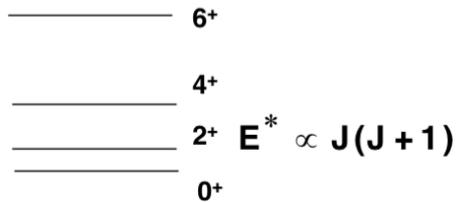
Robust probe of  
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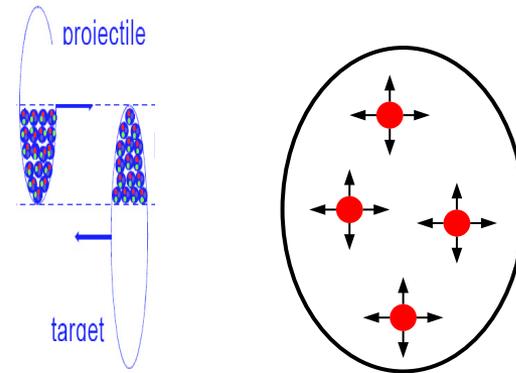
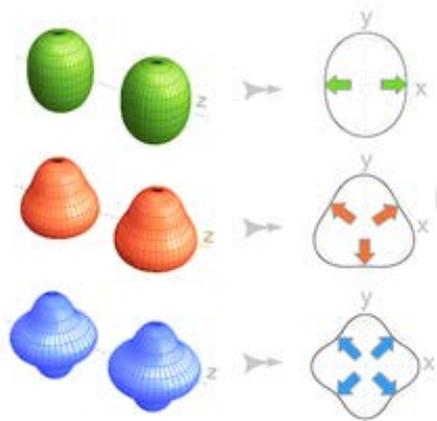
# Low-energy vs high-energy HI method

- Shape from  $B(E_n)$ , radial profile from  $e^+A$  or ion-A scattering

«rotational» spectrum



- Shape frozen in crossing time ( $<10^{-24}\text{s}$ ), probe entire mass distribution via multi-point correlations.



Collective flow response to nuclear structure

$$\begin{aligned}
 S(\mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2) &\equiv \langle \delta\rho(\mathbf{s}_1)\delta\rho(\mathbf{s}_2) \rangle \\
 &= \langle \rho(\mathbf{s}_1)\rho(\mathbf{s}_2) \rangle - \langle \rho(\mathbf{s}_1) \rangle \langle \rho(\mathbf{s}_2) \rangle.
 \end{aligned}$$

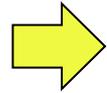
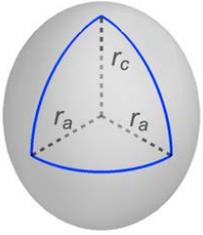
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$$R(\theta, \phi) = R_0 \left( 1 + \beta_2 [\cos \gamma Y_{2,0} + \sin \gamma Y_{2,2}] \right)$$

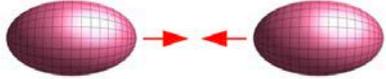
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### Prolate

$\beta_2 = 0.25, \cos(3\gamma) = 1$



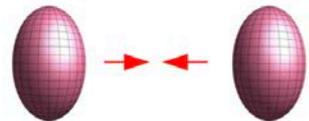
tip-tip



small  $v_2$   
small area  
large  $[p_T]$

$v_2 \searrow \quad p_T \nearrow$

body-body



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small  $[p_T]$

$v_2 \nearrow \quad p_T \searrow$

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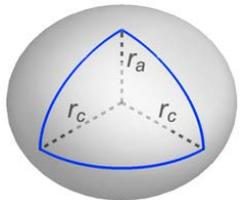
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$\langle (\delta p_T)^3 \rangle \sim \beta_2^3 \cos(3\gamma)$

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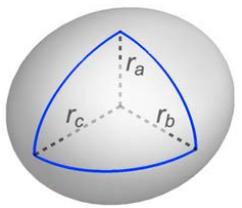
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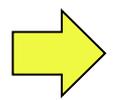
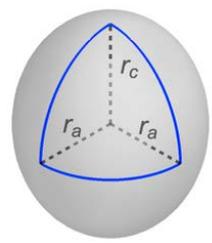


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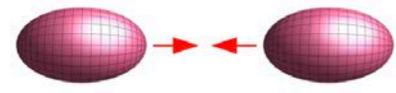
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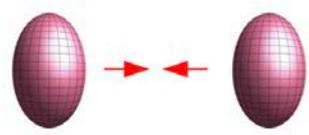
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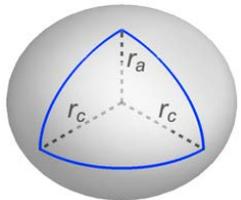
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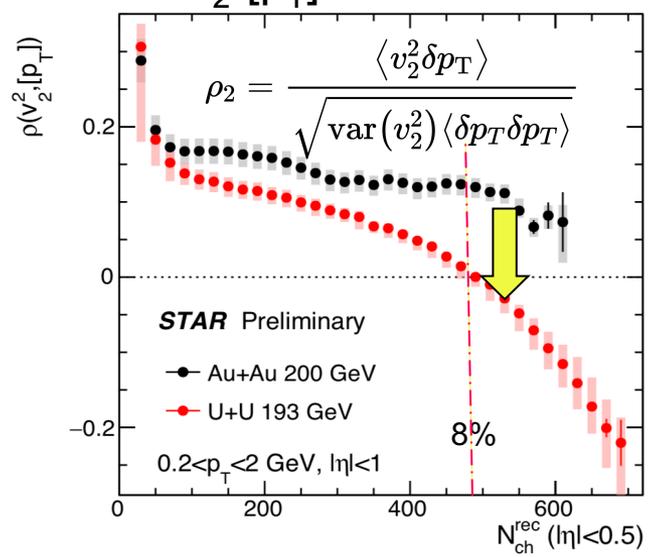
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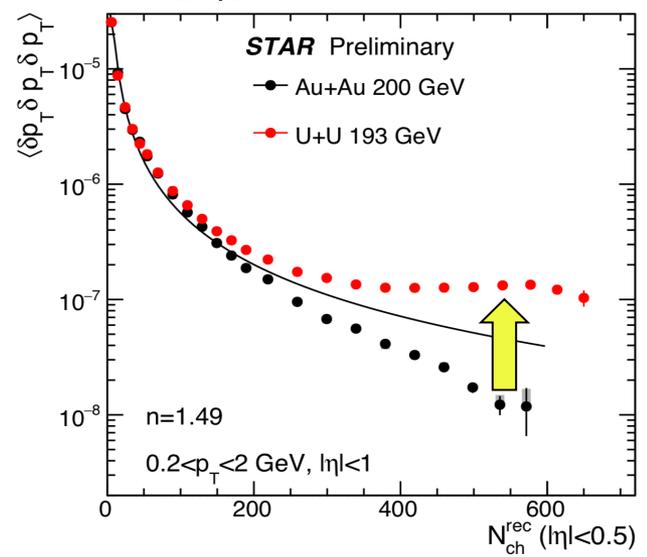


Compare U+U vs Au+Au:  $\beta_{2U} \sim 0.28, \beta_{2Au} \sim 0.13$ :

### $v_2$ - $[p_T]$ covariance

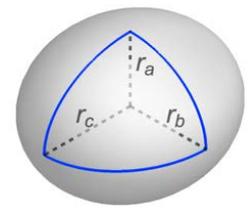


### $[p_T]$ skewness



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# Influence of triaxiality: Glauber model

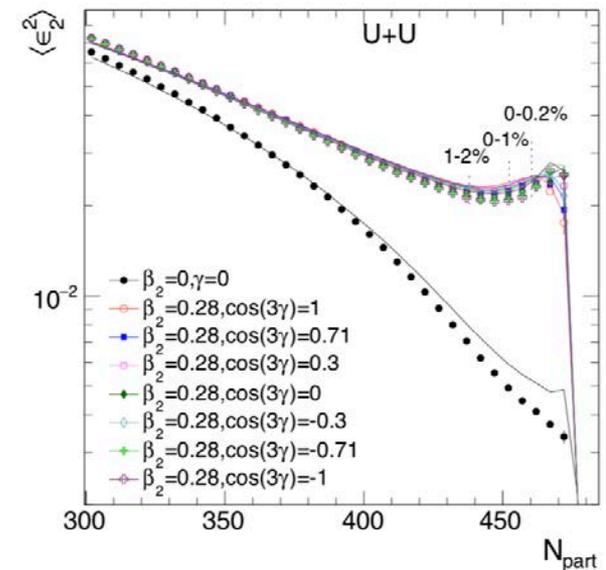
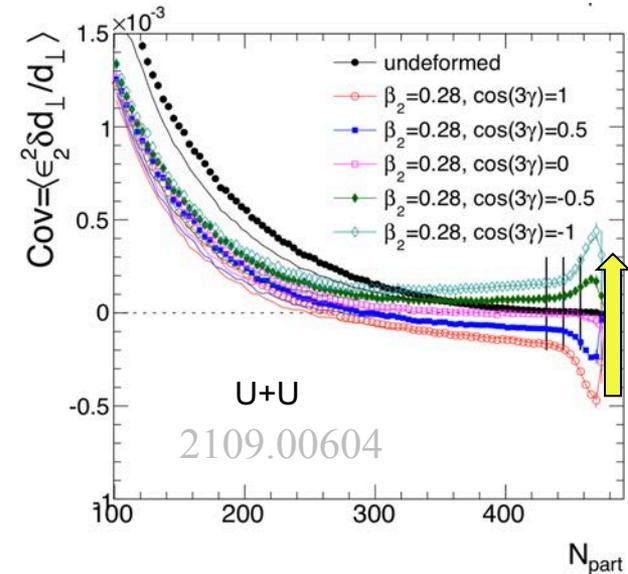
Skewness super sensitive

Described by

$$\left\langle \varepsilon_2^2 \frac{\delta d_{\perp}}{d_{\perp}} \right\rangle \propto \langle v_2^2 \delta p_T \rangle \propto a + b \cos(3\gamma) \beta_2^3$$

variances insensitive to  $\gamma$

$$\langle \varepsilon_2^2 \rangle \propto \langle v_2^2 \rangle \propto a + b \beta_2^2$$



Use variance to constrain  $\beta_2$ , use skewness to constrain  $\gamma$

# $(\beta_2, \gamma)$ diagram in heavy-ion collisions

The  $(\beta_2, \gamma)$  dependence in 0-1% U+U Glauber model can be approximated by:

$$d_{\perp} \propto 1/R_{\perp}$$

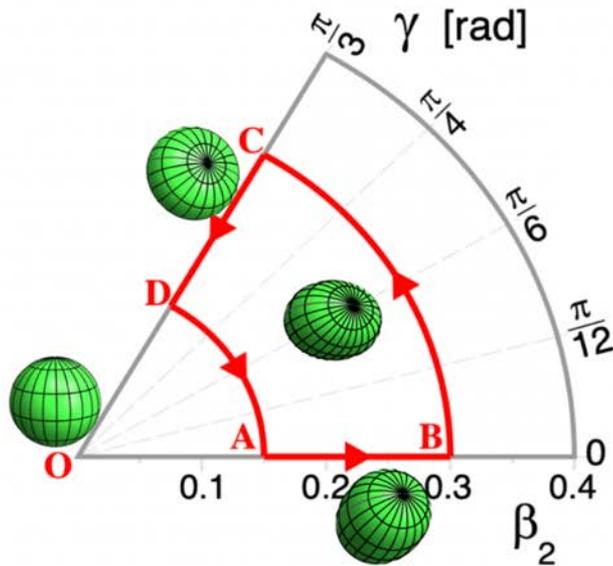
$$\langle \varepsilon_2^2 \rangle \approx [0.02 + \beta_2^2] \times 0.235$$

$$\langle (\delta d_{\perp}/d_{\perp})^2 \rangle \approx [0.035 + \beta_2^2] \times 0.0093$$

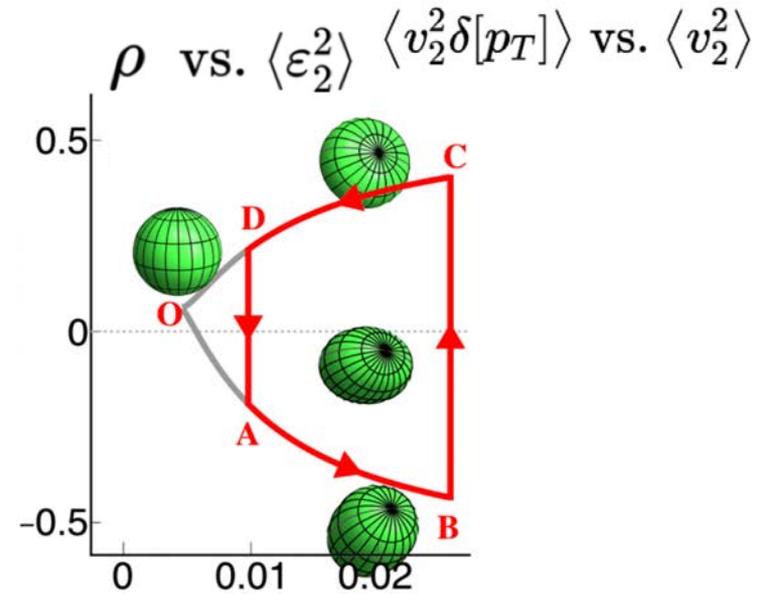
$$\langle \varepsilon_2^2 \delta d_{\perp}/d_{\perp} \rangle \approx [0.0005 - (0.07 + 1.36 \cos(3\gamma))\beta_2^3] \times 10^{-2}$$

$$\rho = \frac{\langle \varepsilon_2^2 \delta d_{\perp} \rangle}{\langle \varepsilon_2^2 \rangle \sqrt{\langle (\delta d_{\perp})^2 \rangle}}$$

Map from  $(\beta_2, \gamma)$  plane to HI observables



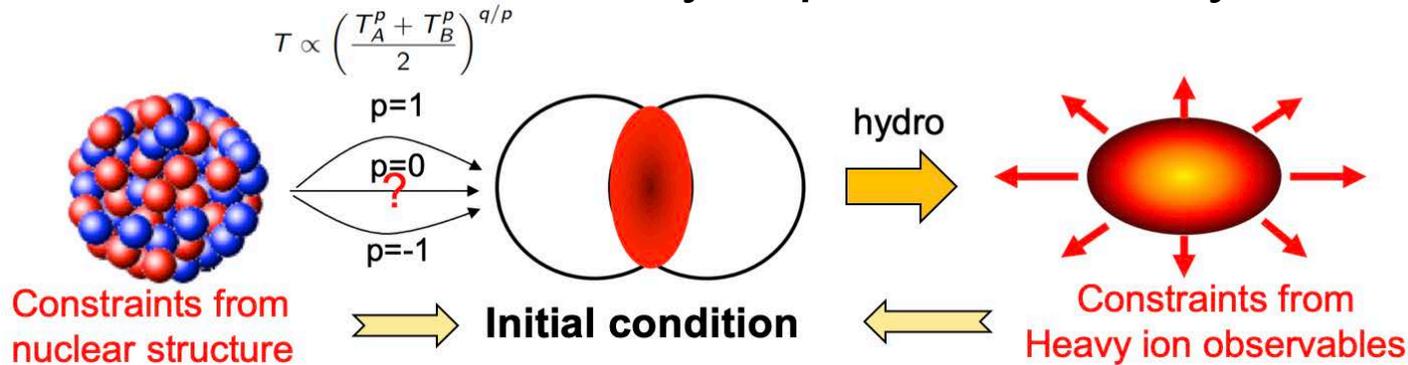
How about



Collision system scan to map out this trajectory: calibrate coefficients with species with known  $\beta, \gamma$ , then predict for species of interest.

# What future collisions can bring?

Future well-motivated system-scan to use heavy-ion collisions into a precision tool for both nuclear structure and initial condition, and ultimately improve the study of QGP.



More than 250 stable (long-lived nuclei), about 140 of them in isobar pairs or triplets

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46	Ca, Ti	110	Pd, Cd	152	Sm, Gd
48	Ca, Ti	112	Cd, Sn	154	Sm, Gd
50	Ti, V, Cr	113	Cd, In	156	Gd, Dy
54	Cr, Fe	114	Cd, Sn	158	Gd, Dy
64	Ni, Zn	115	In, Sn	160	Gd, Dy
70	Zn, Ge	116	Cd, Sn	162	Dy, Er
74	Ge, Se	120	Sn, Te	164	Dy, Er
76	Ge, Se	122	Sn, Te	168	Er, Yb
78	Se, Kr	123	Sb, Te	170	Er, Yb
80	Se, Kr	124	Sn, Te, Xe	174	Yb, Hf
84	Kr, Sr, Mo	126	Te, Xe	176	Yb, Lu, Hf
86	Kr, Sr	128	Te, Xe	180	Hf, W
87	Rb, Sr	130	Te, Xe, Ba	184	W, Os
92	Zr, Nb, Mo	132	Xe, Ba	186	W, Os
94	Zr, Mo	134	Xe, Ba	187	Re, Os
96	Zr, Mo, Ru	136	Xe, Ba, Ce	190	Os, Pt
98	Mo, Ru	138	Ba, La, Ce	192	Os, Pt
100	Mo, Ru	142	Ce, Nd	198	Pt, Hg
102	Ru, Pd	144	Nd, Sm	204	Hg, Pb
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Representative cases were identified in a dedicated EMMI taskforce among HI and structure experts.

<https://indico.gsi.de/event/14430/contributions/64193/>

The discussion lead to the identification of three science cases that may readily lead to breakthrough observations via relativistic collision experiments. They involve nuclides belonging, respectively, to the mass regions  $A \sim 20$ ,  $A \sim 40$ , and  $A \sim 150$ .  $A \sim 200$

Stress test small system collectivity  
with extreme deformability



Imaging strong shape evolution of  
 $^{144-154}\text{Sm}$  isotopic chain

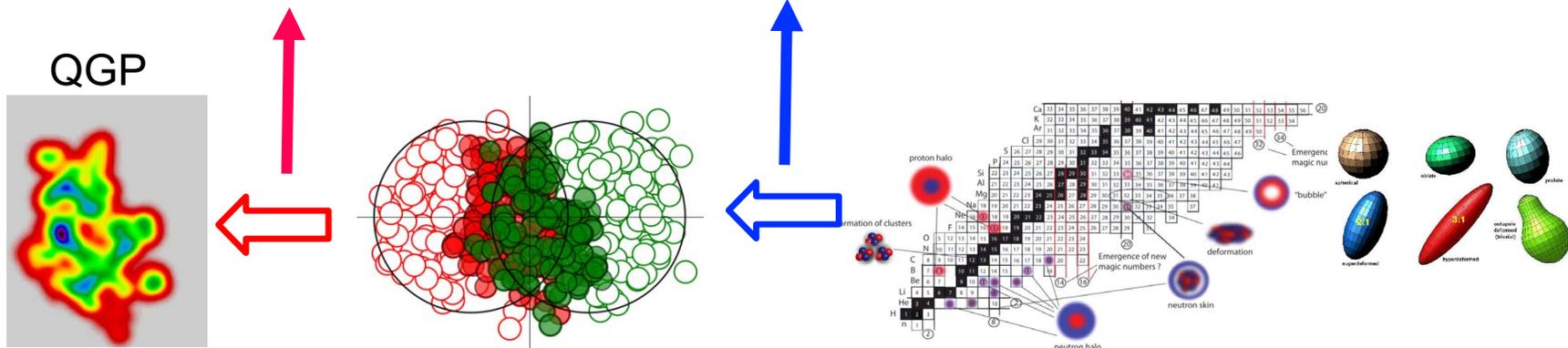


# Exploiting the lever-arm provided by nuclear structure

Flow observable =  $k$   $\otimes$  initial condition (structure)

QGP response,  
a smooth function of  $N+Z$

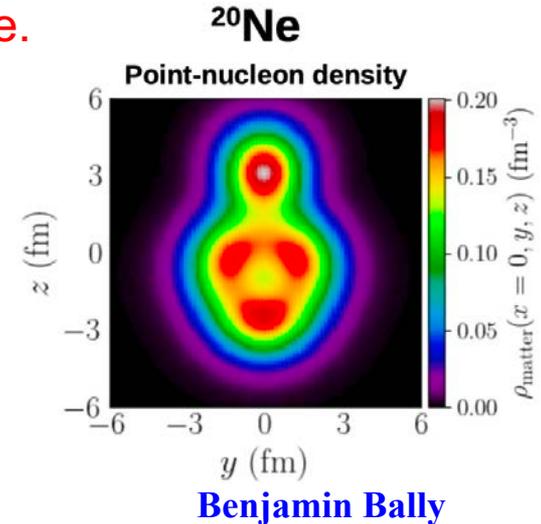
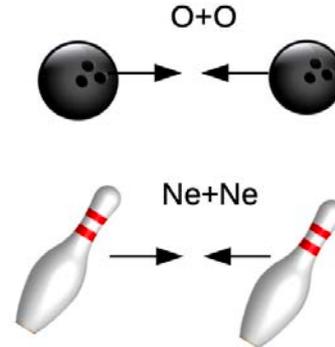
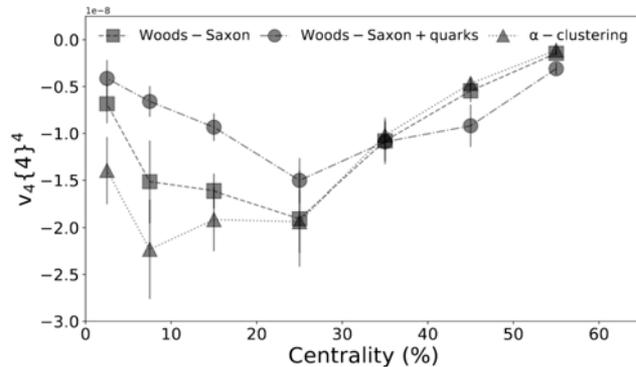
Structure of colliding nuclei,  
non-monotonic function of  $N$  and  $Z$



# Stress-testing small system collectivity with $^{20}\text{Ne}$

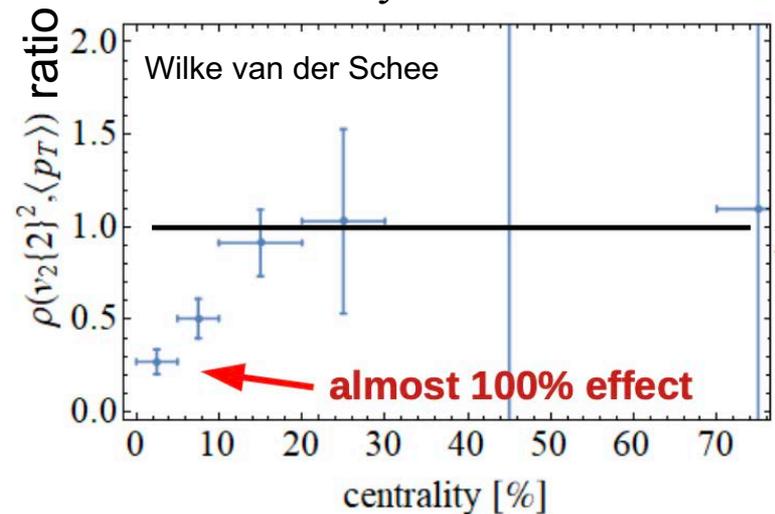
Geometric origin of small system program is rather qualitative.

Very subtle effects if one only have  $16\text{O}+16\text{O}$  collisions



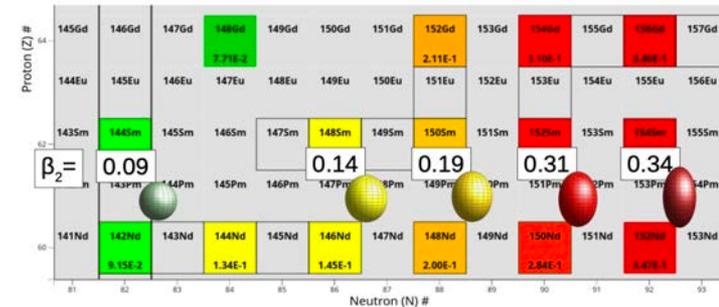
$^{20}\text{Ne}$  with 5 alpha has the most extreme ground state shape:  $\beta_2 \sim 0.7, \beta_3 \sim 0.5$ . Use  $\text{O}+\text{O}$  and  $\text{Ne}+\text{Ne}$  to observe “strong” purely-geometric effects at  $dN/dy \sim 100$ .

Trajectum framework  
Ratio  $^{20}\text{Ne}+^{20}\text{Ne} / 16\text{O}+16\text{O}$



# Imaging strong shape evolution of $^{144-154}\text{Sm}$ isotopic chain

Transition from nearly-spherical to well-deformed nuclei when size increase by less than 7%. Using HI to access the multi-nucleon correlations leading to such shape evolution, as well as dynamical  $\beta_3$  and  $\beta_4$  shape fluctuations.



$$\langle \epsilon_2^2 \rangle = a' + b' \beta_2^2$$

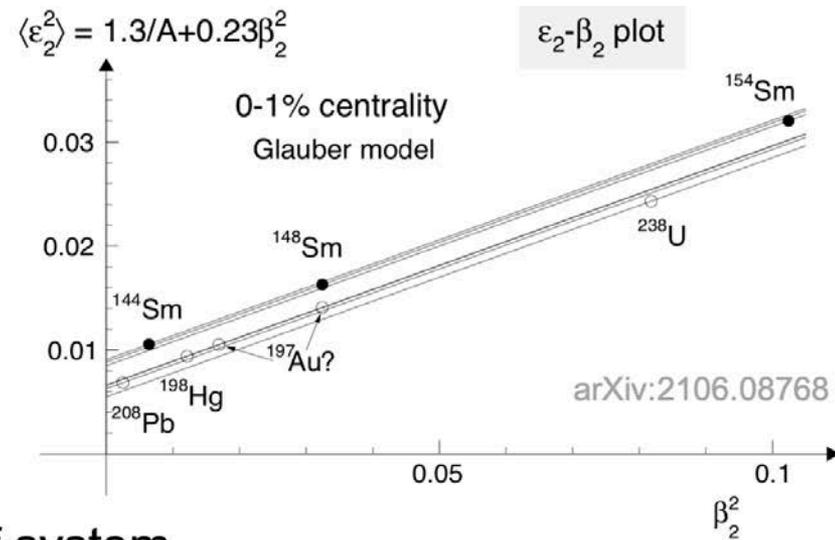
$$\langle v_2^2 \rangle = a + b \beta_2^2$$

In central collisions

$$a' = \langle \epsilon_2^2 \rangle_{|\beta_2=0} \propto 1/A$$

$$a = \langle v_2^2 \rangle_{|\beta_2=0} \propto 1/A$$

$b'$ ,  $b$  are  $\sim$  independent of system



Systems with similar  $A$  fall on the same curve.

Fix  $a$  and  $b$  with two isobar systems with known  $\beta_2$ , then make predictions for the third one

# Application in $^{197}\text{Au}+^{197}\text{Au}$ vs $^{238}\text{U}+^{238}\text{U}$ 30

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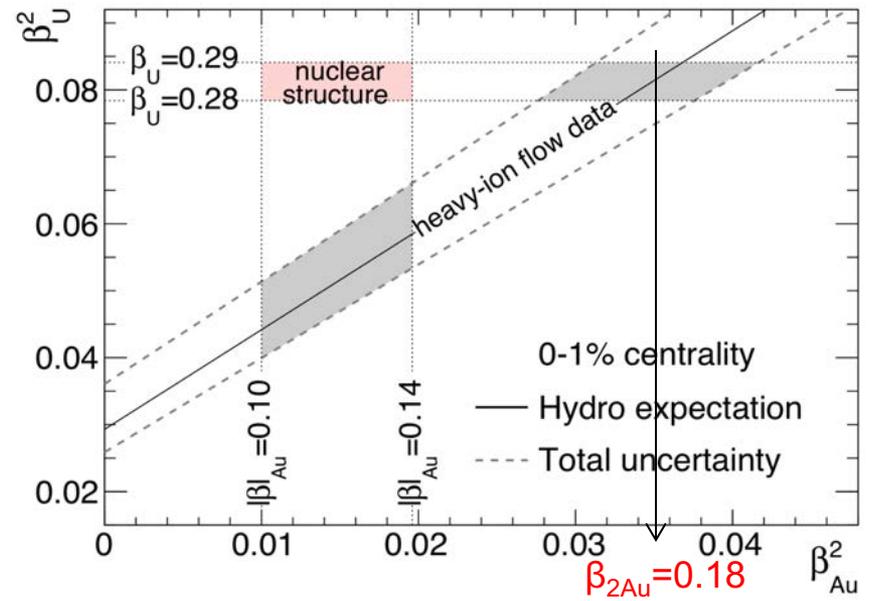
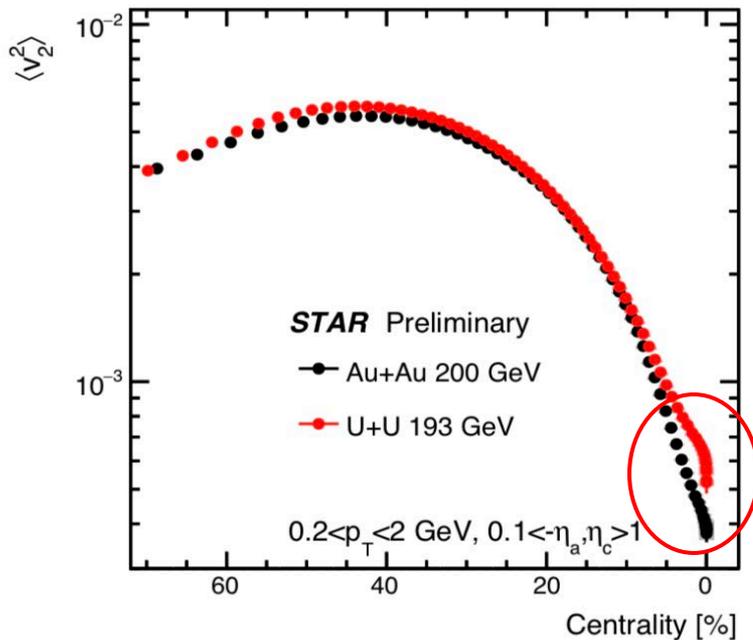
Ultra-central Collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}}=193\text{-}200$  GeV

$$\begin{cases} v_{2,\text{Au}}^2 = a_{\text{Au}} + b\beta_{2,\text{Au}}^2 \\ v_{2,\text{U}}^2 = a_{\text{U}} + b\beta_{2,\text{U}}^2 \end{cases} \quad b \sim 0.014$$

Need to correct for slightly different size:  $a \propto 1/A$ ,  $r_a = \frac{a_{\text{Au}}}{a_{\text{U}}} = \frac{238}{197} = 1.21$

A linear relation for  $\beta_{2\text{U}}$  and  $\beta_{2\text{Au}}$ :

$$\beta_{\text{U}}^2 = \frac{r_{v_2^2} r_a - 1}{b/a_{\text{U}}} + r_{v_2^2} \beta_{\text{Au}}^2 \quad r_{v_2^2} = \frac{v_{2,\text{U}}^2}{v_{2,\text{Au}}^2}$$



Suggests  $|\beta_{2\text{Au}}| \sim 0.18 \pm 0.02$ , larger than NS model of  $0.13 \pm 0.02$

# Summary

- Constrain QGP initial condition with nuclear structure input and heavy ion observables  
→ Improve the extraction of QGP properties in the Bayesian approaches
- Understanding how initial condition responds to nuclear structure, in turn enables probing novel nuclear structure properties and compliments low-energy experiments.
- Collisions of carefully-selected isobar species will help us to understand the many-body nucleon correlations of atomic nuclei from small to large system

A lot of work is needed to firm-up this science case

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