

Nuclear structure calculations as input for the simulation of relativistic heavy-ion collisions

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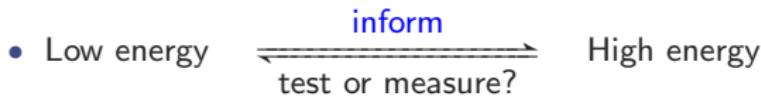


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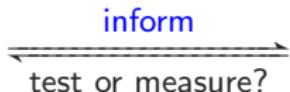
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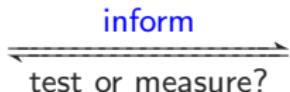
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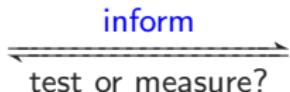
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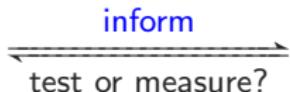
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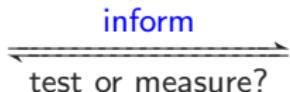
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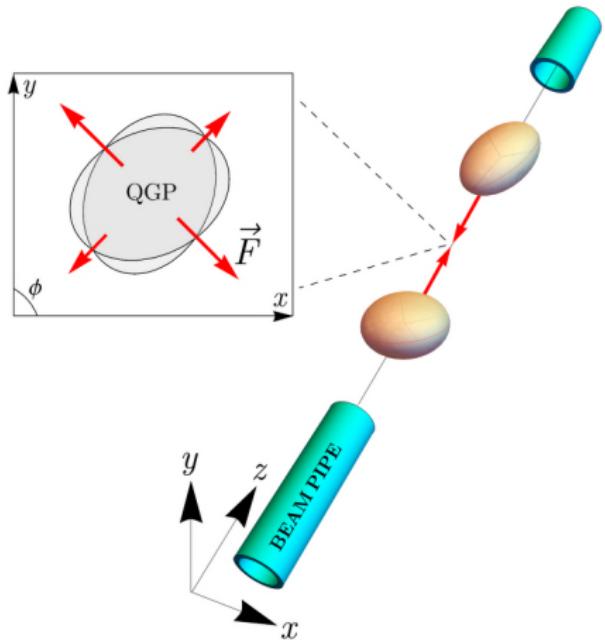
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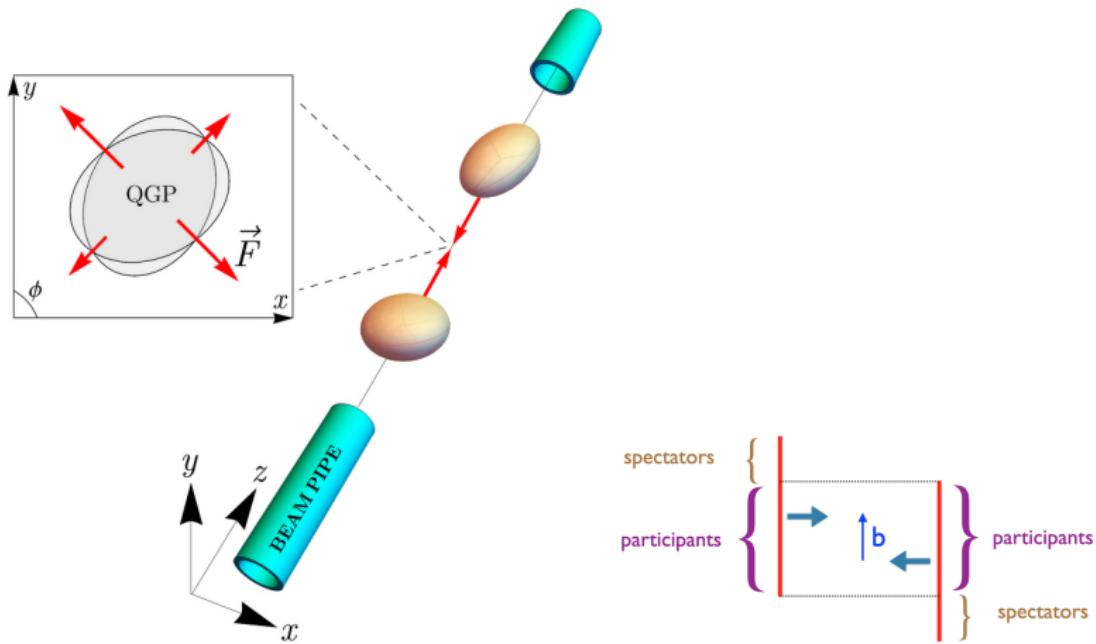
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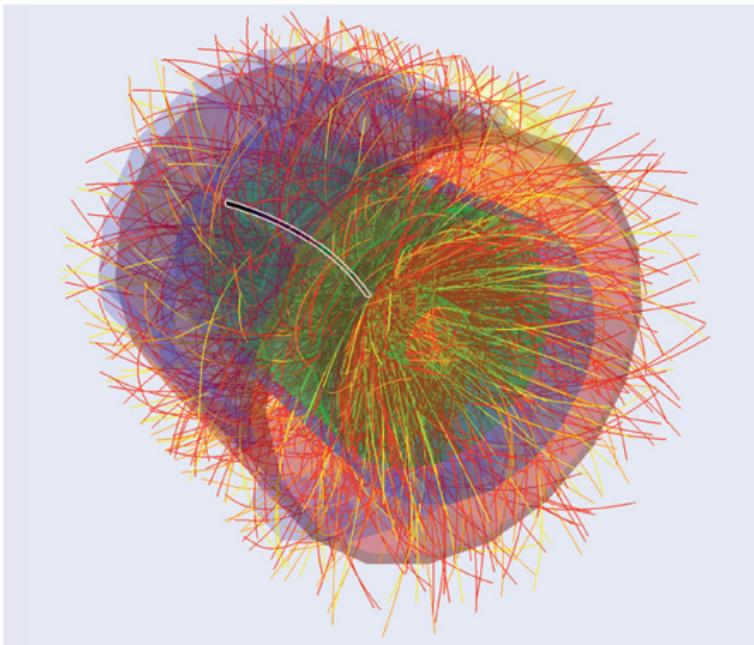


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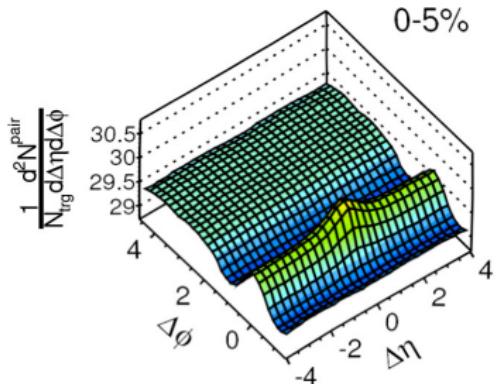
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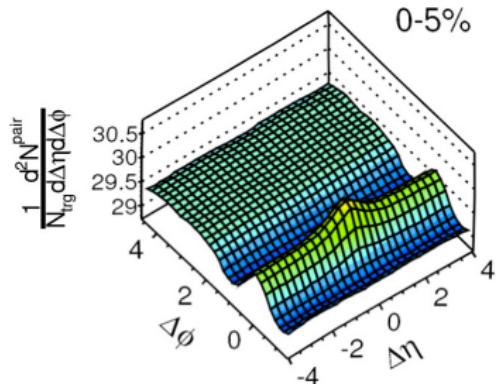
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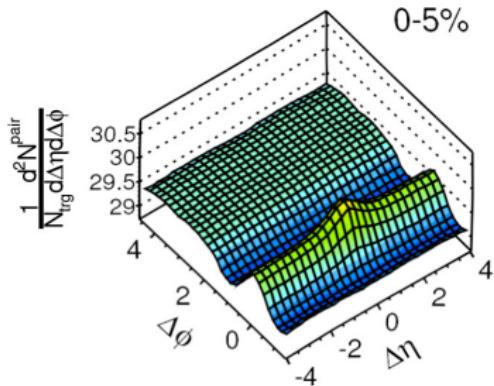


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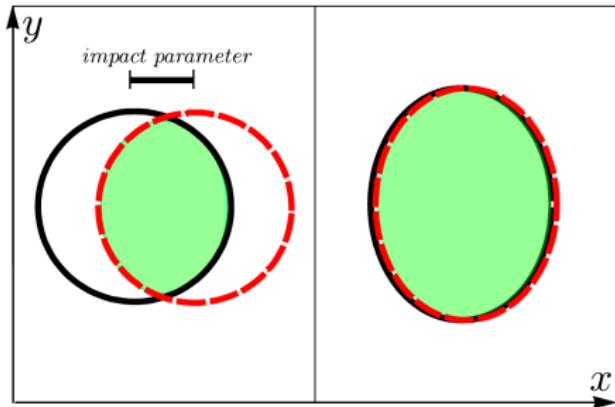
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- Average of the pair distribution

$$\left\langle \frac{dN_{\text{pair}}}{d\eta_1 d\eta_2 d\Delta\phi} \right\rangle = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left(1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \langle |V_n|^2 \rangle \cos(n\Delta\phi) \right)$$

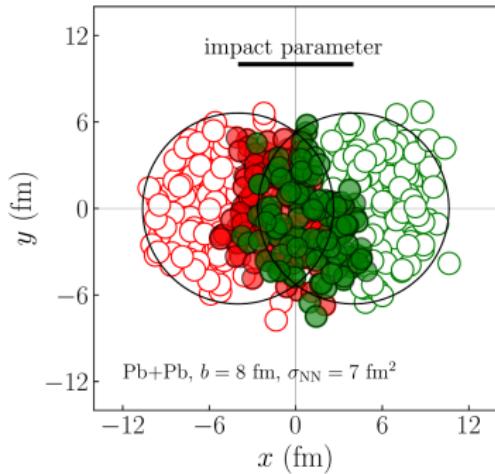
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- Anisotropy of particle emission linked to asymmetry of initial condition



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Modeling of the nuclei: Monte-Carlo Glauber

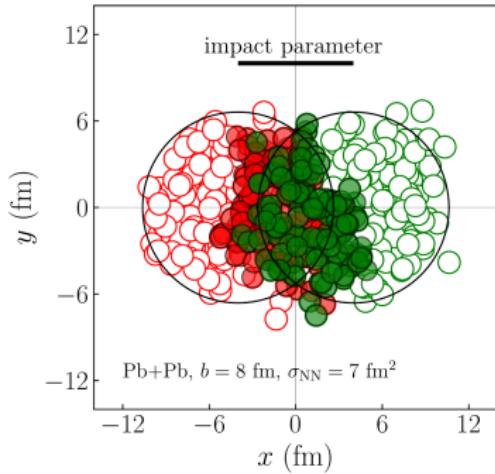


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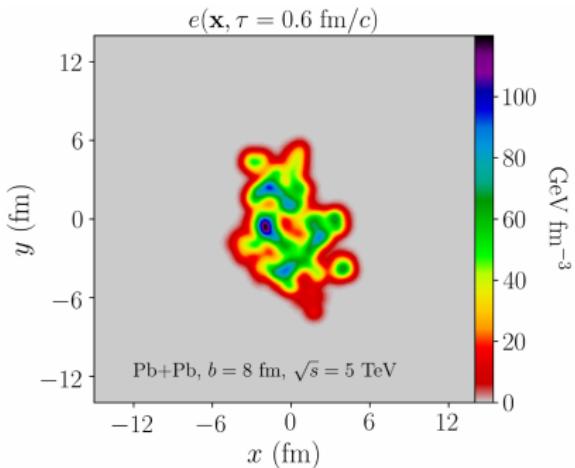
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- Better: use directly the densities (e.g. uncorrelated one-body)

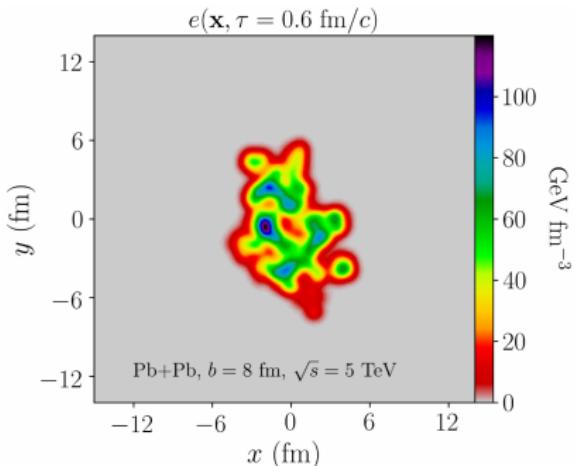
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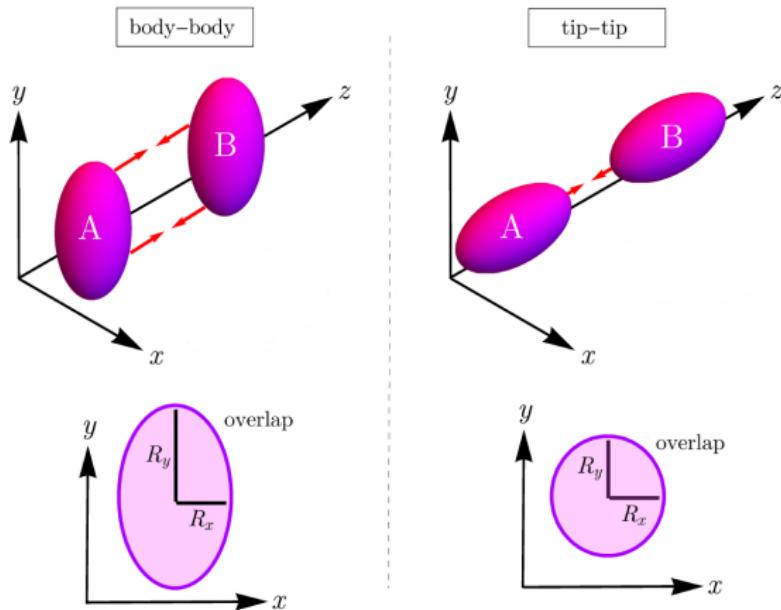
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- Then, you **should** run relativistic hydrodynamic simulation

How to discern orientations in central collisions?

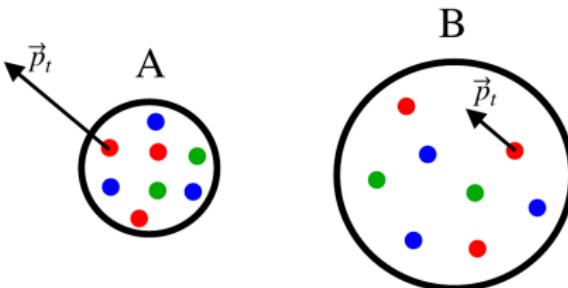


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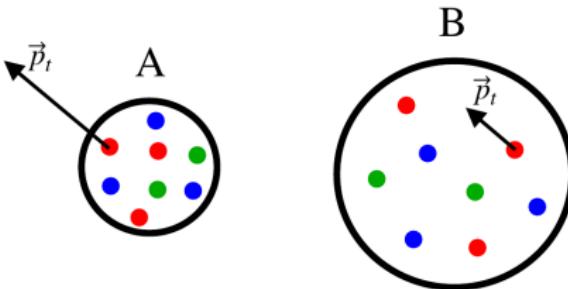


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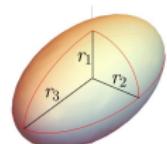
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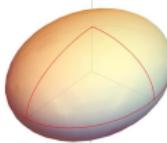
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- Looking at low $\langle p_t \rangle \Rightarrow$ looking at larger nuclear overlaps

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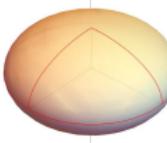
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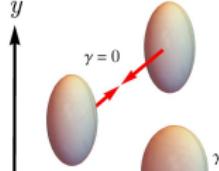


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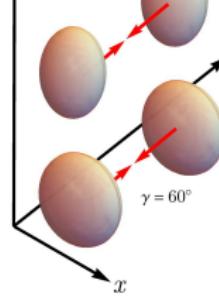


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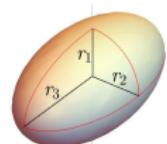
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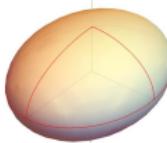
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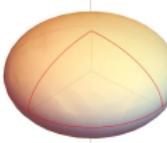
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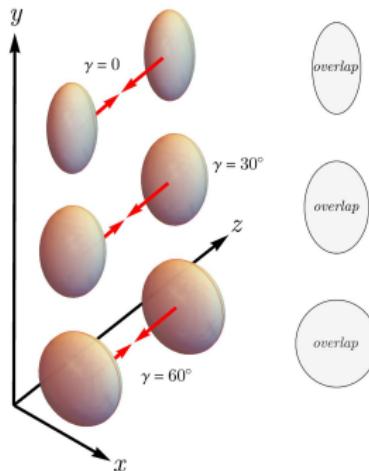


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- Pearson correlation coefficient

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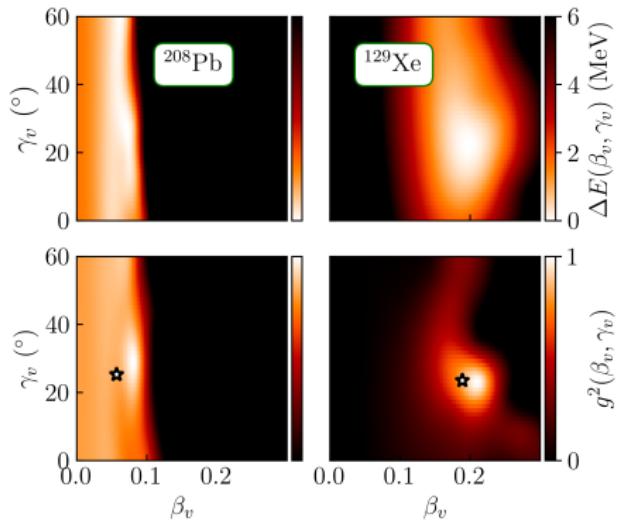
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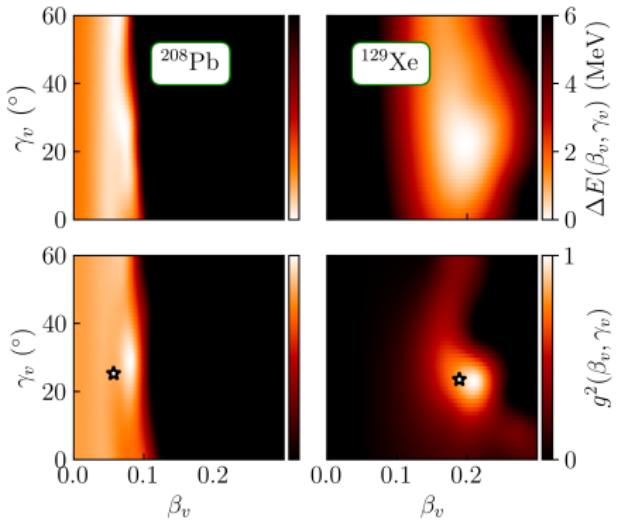
- Explore triaxial deformations (β_v, γ_v) through constrained minimizations
- Calculations performed on a 3d Cartesian mesh
- Skyrme-type SLyMR1 parametrization

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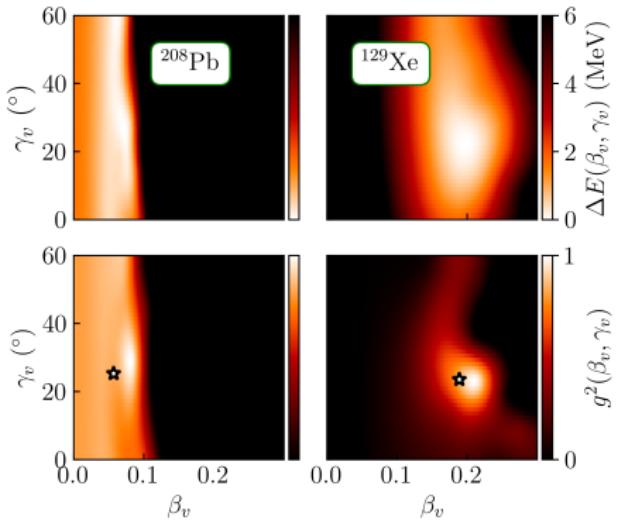




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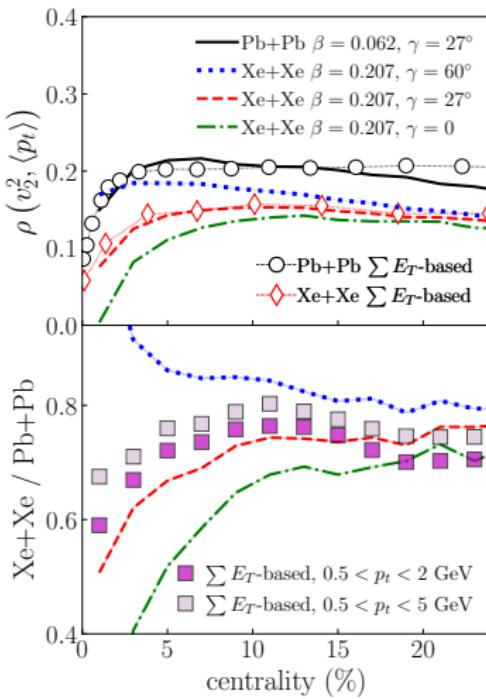
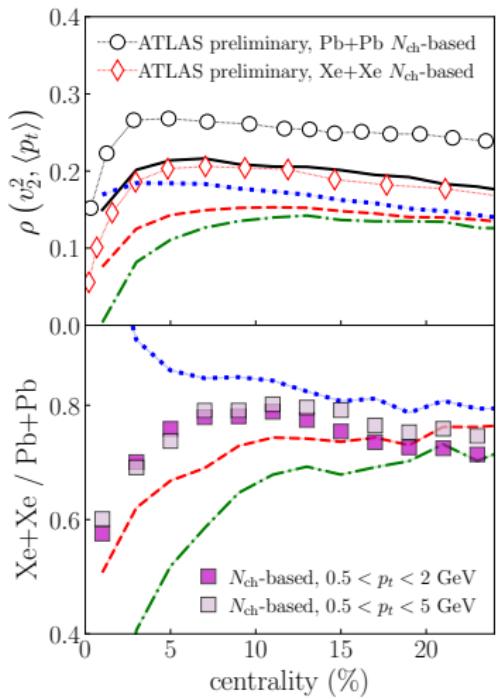


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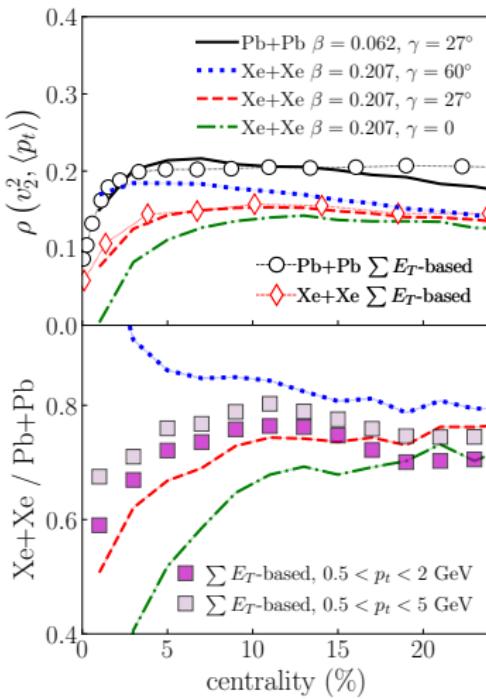
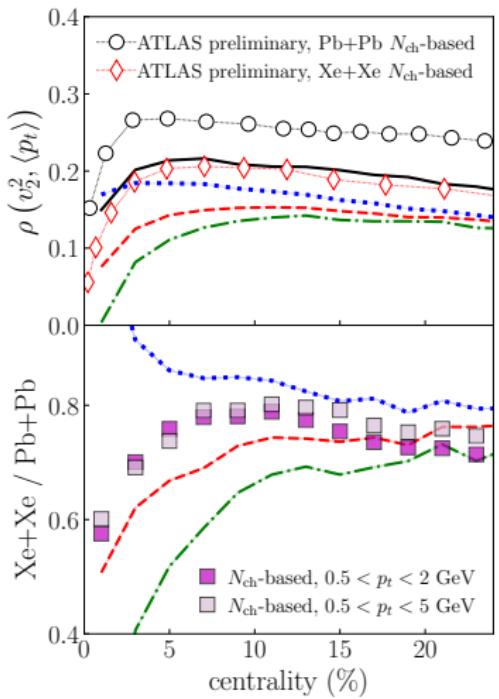
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- Results for ^{208}Pb : $a = 0.537$ fm, $R_0 = 6.647$ fm, $\beta = 0.062$, $\gamma = 27.04^\circ$
- Results for ^{129}Xe : $a = 0.492$ fm, $R_0 = 5.601$ fm, $\beta = 0.207$, $\gamma = 26.93^\circ$

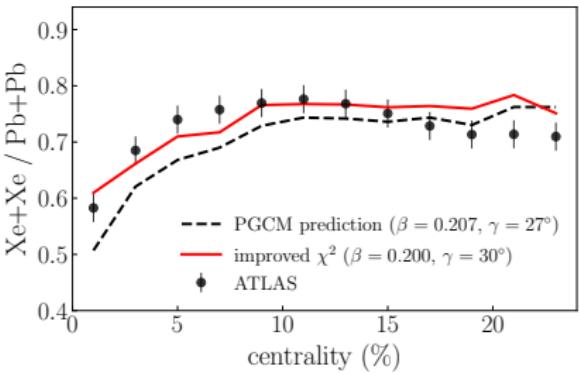
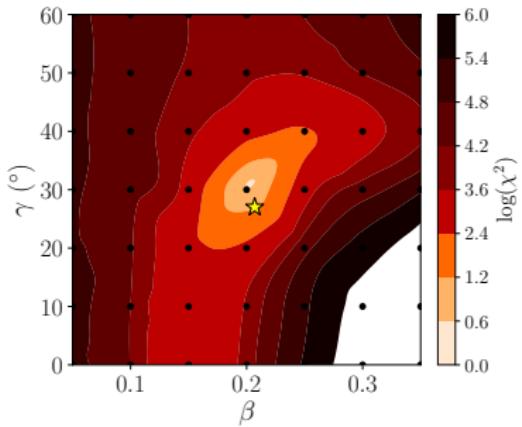
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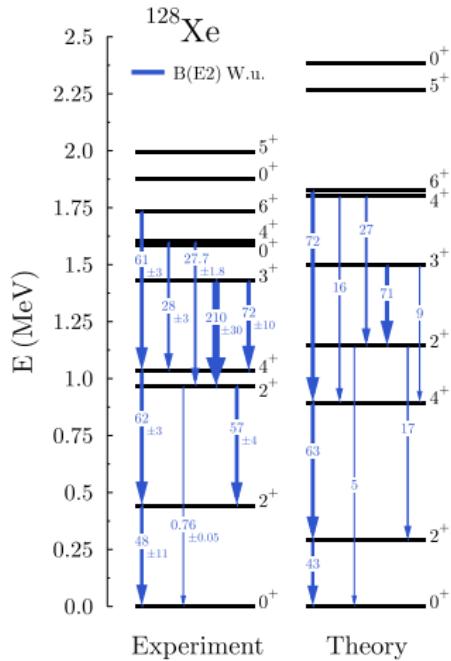
- Only triaxiality explains LHC results!



- Simulation of 2×10^7 collisions at 50 deformations (β, γ)
- Best fit obtained for: ($\beta \approx 0.20, \gamma \approx 30^\circ$)

Comparison for ^{128}Xe

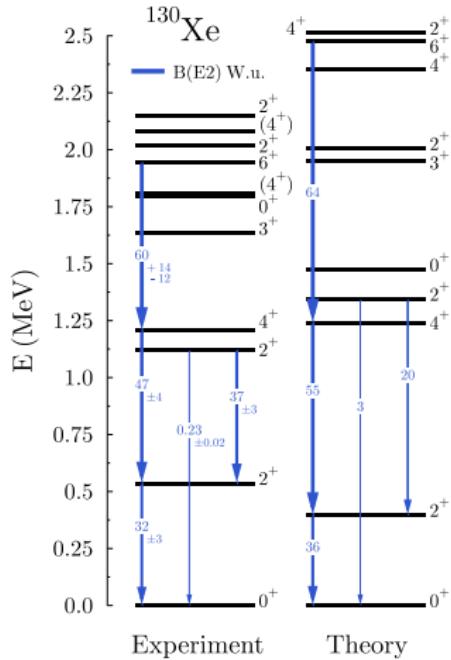
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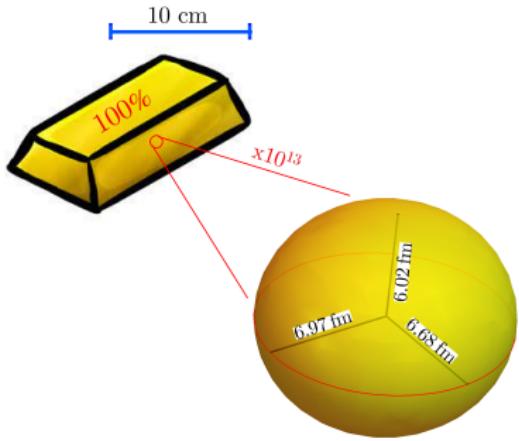
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Calculations for ^{197}Au

- Extensive program $^{197}\text{Au} + ^{197}\text{Au}$ at RHIC
- Similar strategy
 - SLyMR1
 - PGCM with triaxial 1qp
 - Determine “average” deformation
- Give WS parameters for ρ_p^{WS} , ρ_n^{WS} , ρ_a^{WS}



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Calculations for ^{197}Au : structure

Quantity	Experiment	Theory
$E(3/2_1^+)$	-1559.384	-1556.044
$r_{\text{rms}}(3/2_1^+)$	5.4371(38)	5.389
$\mu(1/2_1^+)$	+0.416(3)	+0.01
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$\mu(5/2_1^+)$	+0.74(6)	+0.15
$\mu(5/2_2^+)$	+3.0(5)	+0.14
$\mu(7/2_1^+)$	+0.84(7)	+0.51
$\mu(9/2_1^+)$	+1.5(5)	+0.81
$\mu(11/2_1^-)$	(+)5.96(9)	+6.87
$Q_s(3/2_1^+)$	+0.547(16)	+0.65
$Q_s(11/2_1^-)$	+1.68(5)	+2.05

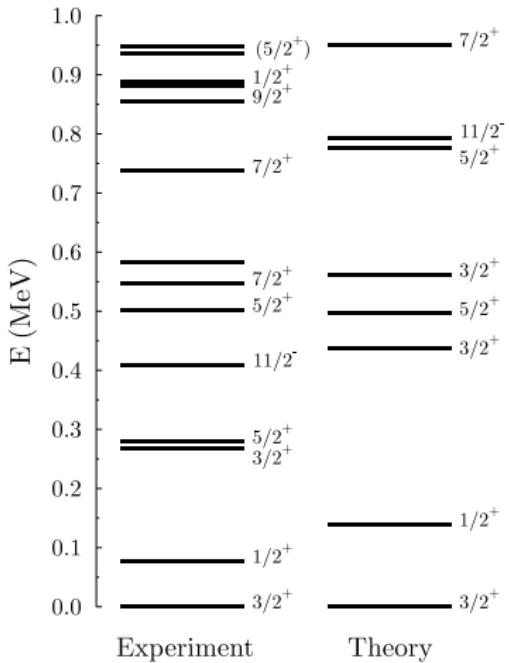
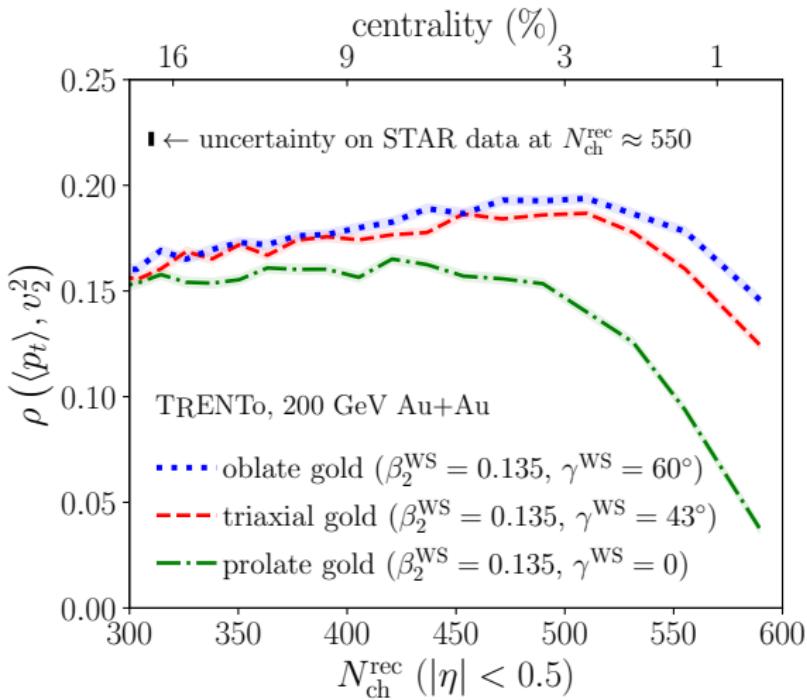


Table: E (MeV), r_{rms} (fm), μ (μ_N), Q_s (eb).

Calculations for ^{197}Au : $\rho(v_2^2, \langle p_t \rangle)$



Calculations for ^{197}Au : neutron skin

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STAR collab., Science Adv. 9, eabq390 (2023)

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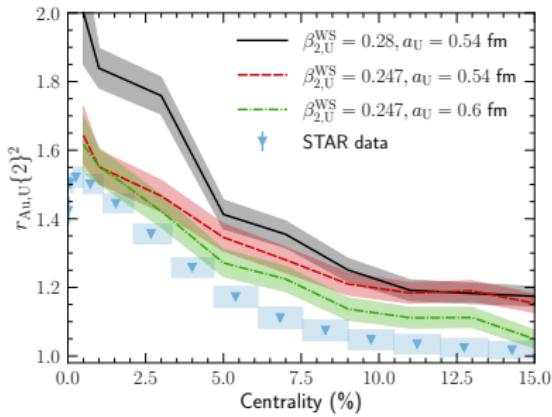
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Ryssens *et al.*, PRL 130, 212302 (2023)

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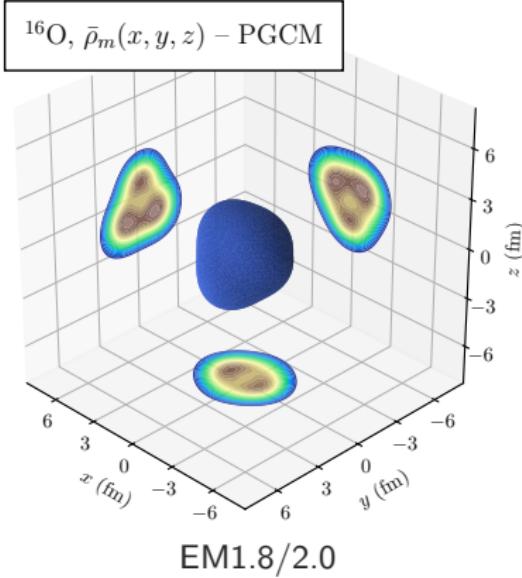
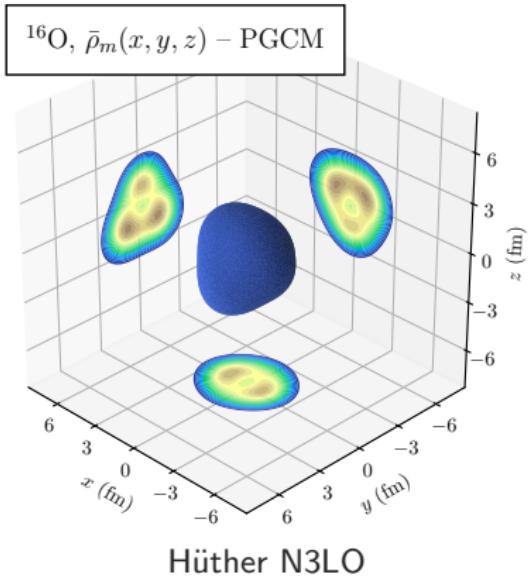
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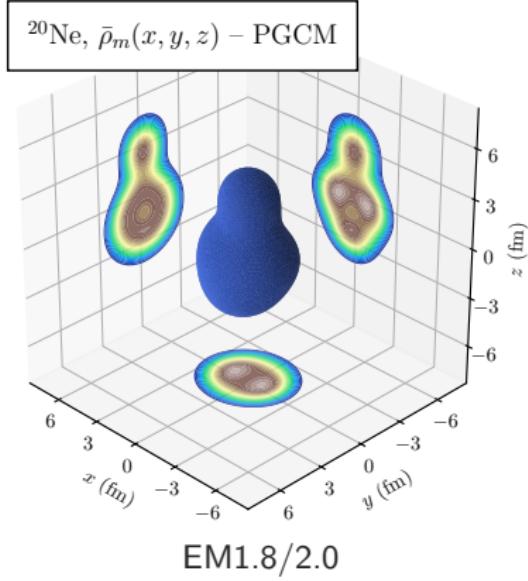
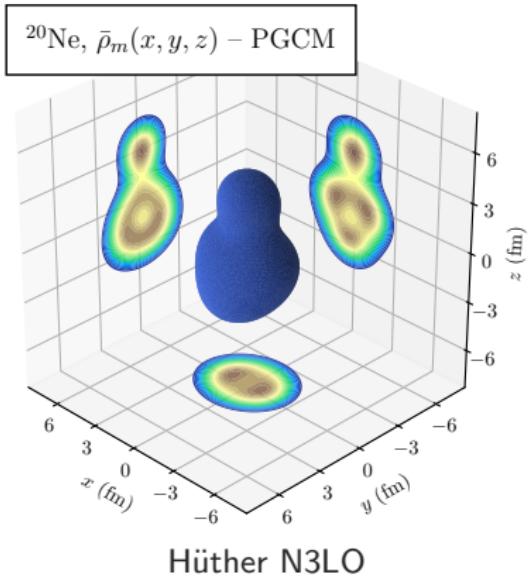
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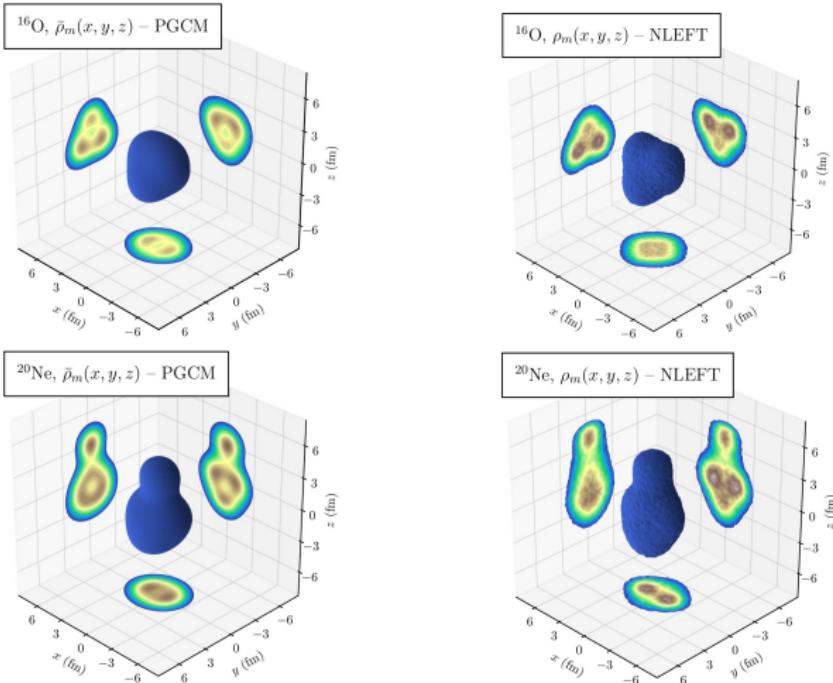
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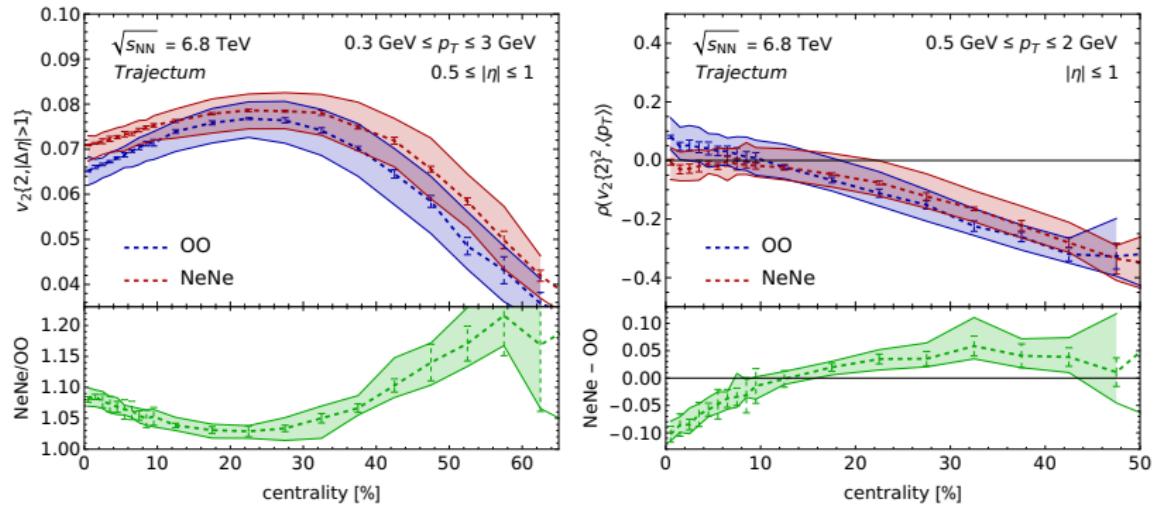


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- Nuclear Lattice Effective Field Theory (NLEFT) with pin-hole algorithm
Lee, Front. Phys. 8, 174 (2020)
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