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Charge dependent flow and the search for the chiral magnetic wave at RHIC and LHC

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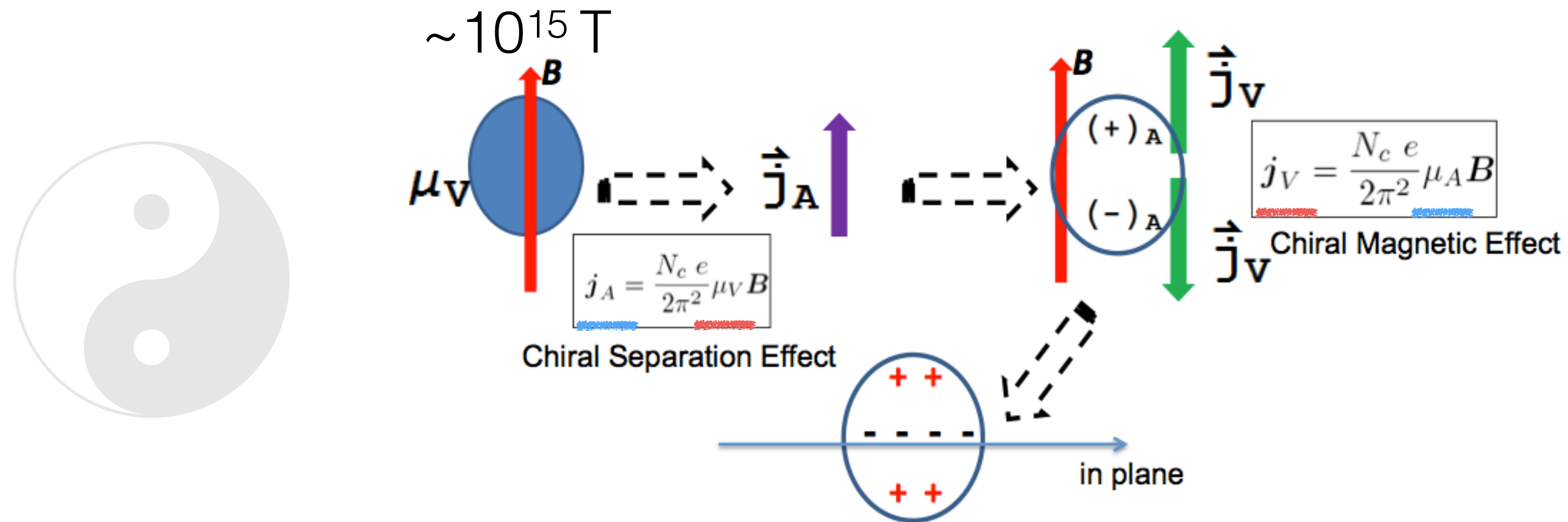
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Chiral anomaly in heavy-ion collisions

- In non-central heavy-ion collisions an unprecedented intense magnetic field ($\sim 10^{18}$ G) is generated by the movement of the spectator protons
- In the presence of such magnetic field, several anomalous chiral effects, such as
- Chiral Magnetic Effect,
- **Chiral Magnetic Wave**, etc, have been theorized to be created in QGP
 - Possible local CP violation in strong interactions
 - The novel topological nature of the QCD vacuum
- ...

Chiral magnetic wave

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asymmetry in the azimuthal distributions of h+ and h-

$$N_+(\phi) - N_-(\phi) = (\bar{N}_+ - \bar{N}_-)[1 - r \cos(2\phi)]$$

$$r \equiv \frac{2q_e}{\bar{\rho}_e}$$

monopole, nonzero net charge density

$$q_e = \int R dR d\phi \cos(2\phi) [j_e^0(R, \phi) - j_{e,B=0}^0(R, \phi)]$$

quadrupole, CMW contribution

$$\bar{\rho}_e = \int R dR d\phi j_{e,B=0}^0(R, \phi)$$

$$\frac{dN_{\pm}}{d\phi} = N_{\pm}[1 + 2v_2 \cos(2\phi)]$$

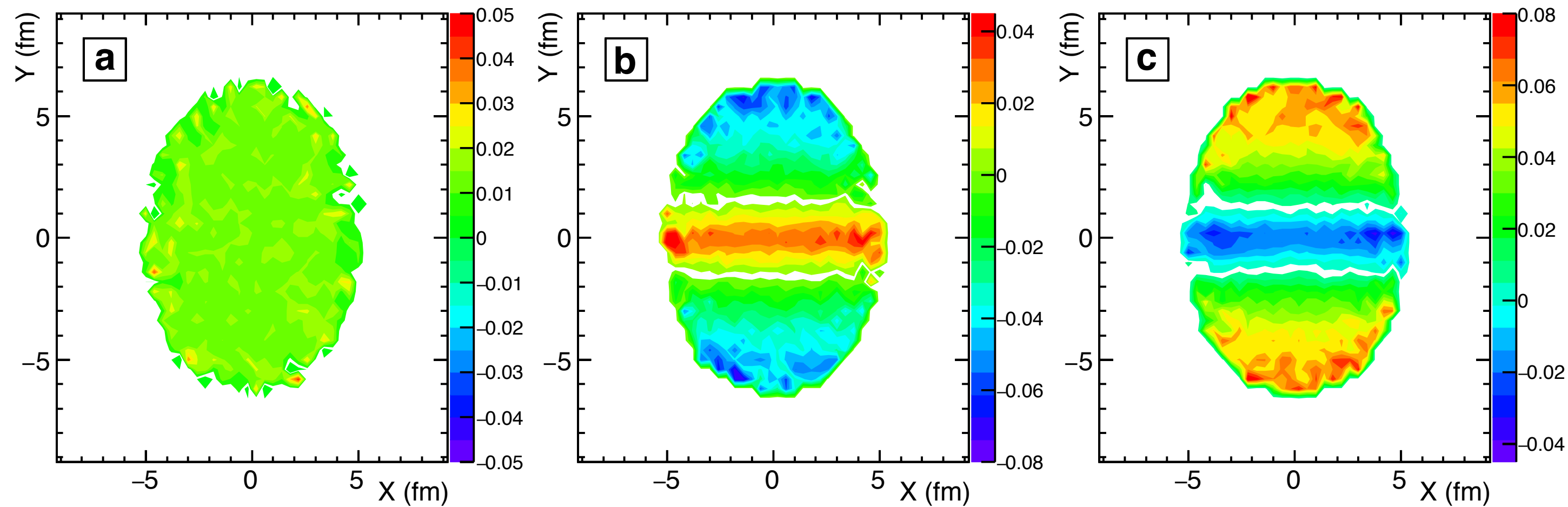
$$\approx \bar{N}_{\pm}[1 + 2v_2 \cos(2\phi) \mp A_{\pm} r \cos(2\phi)] \quad \leftarrow \quad A_{\pm} \equiv (\bar{N}_+ - \bar{N}_-)/(\bar{N}_+ + \bar{N}_-)$$

$$v_2^{\pm} = v_2 \mp \frac{rA_{\pm}}{2} \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \Delta v_2 = v_2^- - v_2^+ \approx rA$$

Chiral magnetic wave

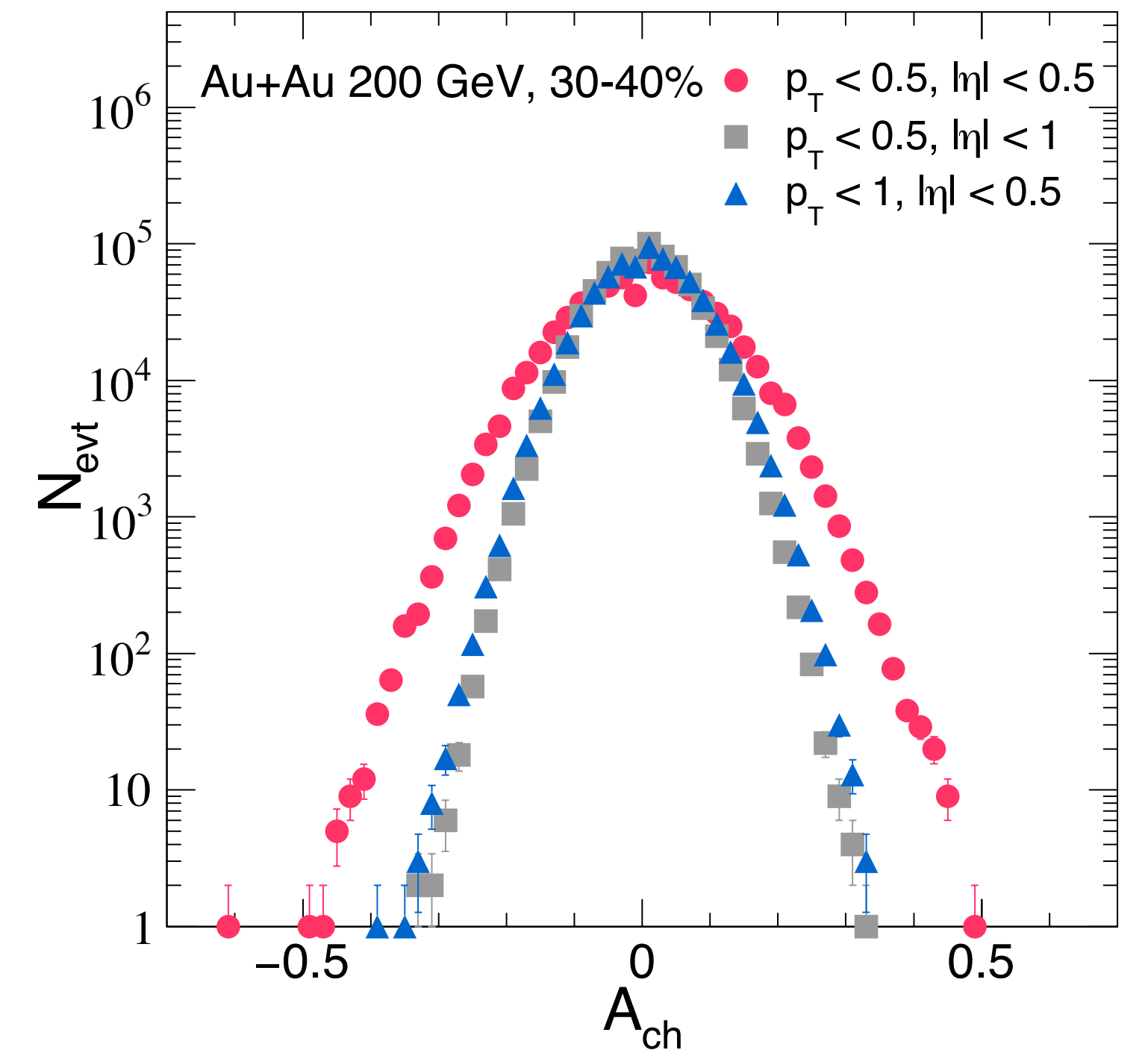
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AMPT simulation with imported quadrupole



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Negative binomial distr.

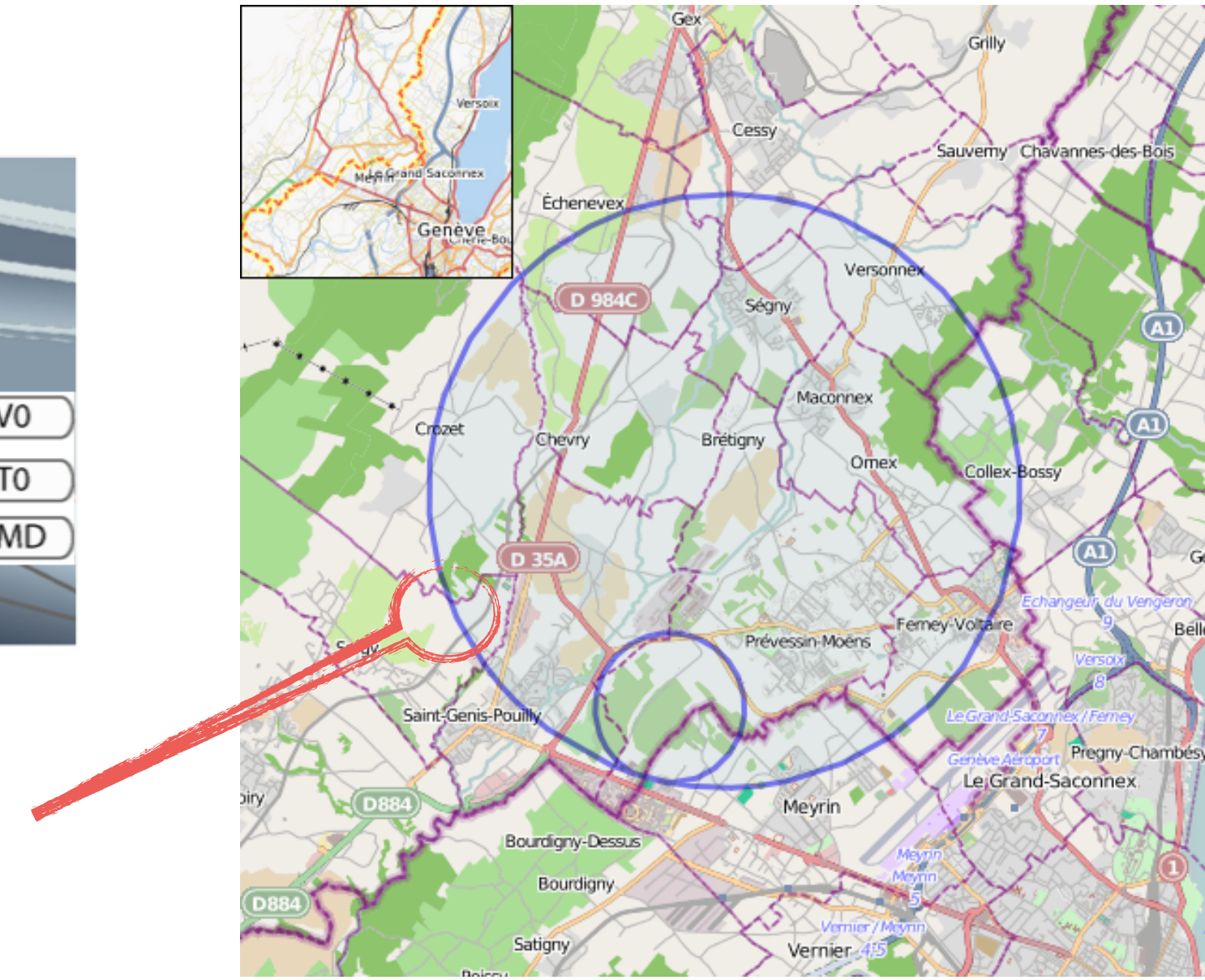
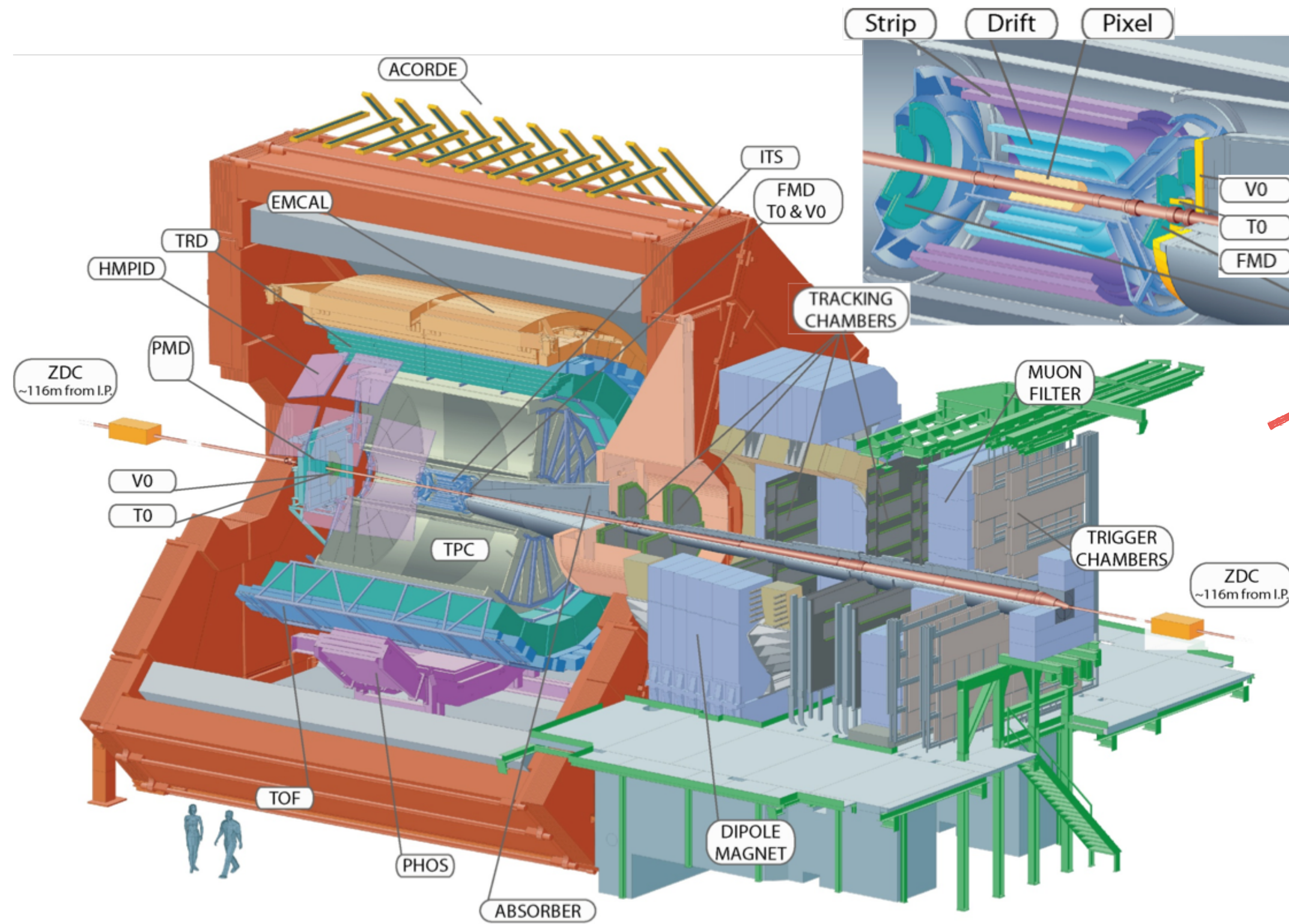


ALICE, CMS and STAR experiments put efforts into such studies for more than a decade

Experimental setup

- Collision systems and energies
 - Pb-Pb, p-Pb, Xe-Xe → ● 2.76 TeV, 5.02 TeV, 5.44 TeV at LHC
 - Au+Au, p(d)+Au, U+U → ● BES (7-62 GeV), 200 GeV, 193 GeV at RHIC
- Particle of interest
 - Inclusive charged particles
 - Identified particles: π , K, p, heavy-flavour, etc at various kinematic windows (p_T , η , etc)

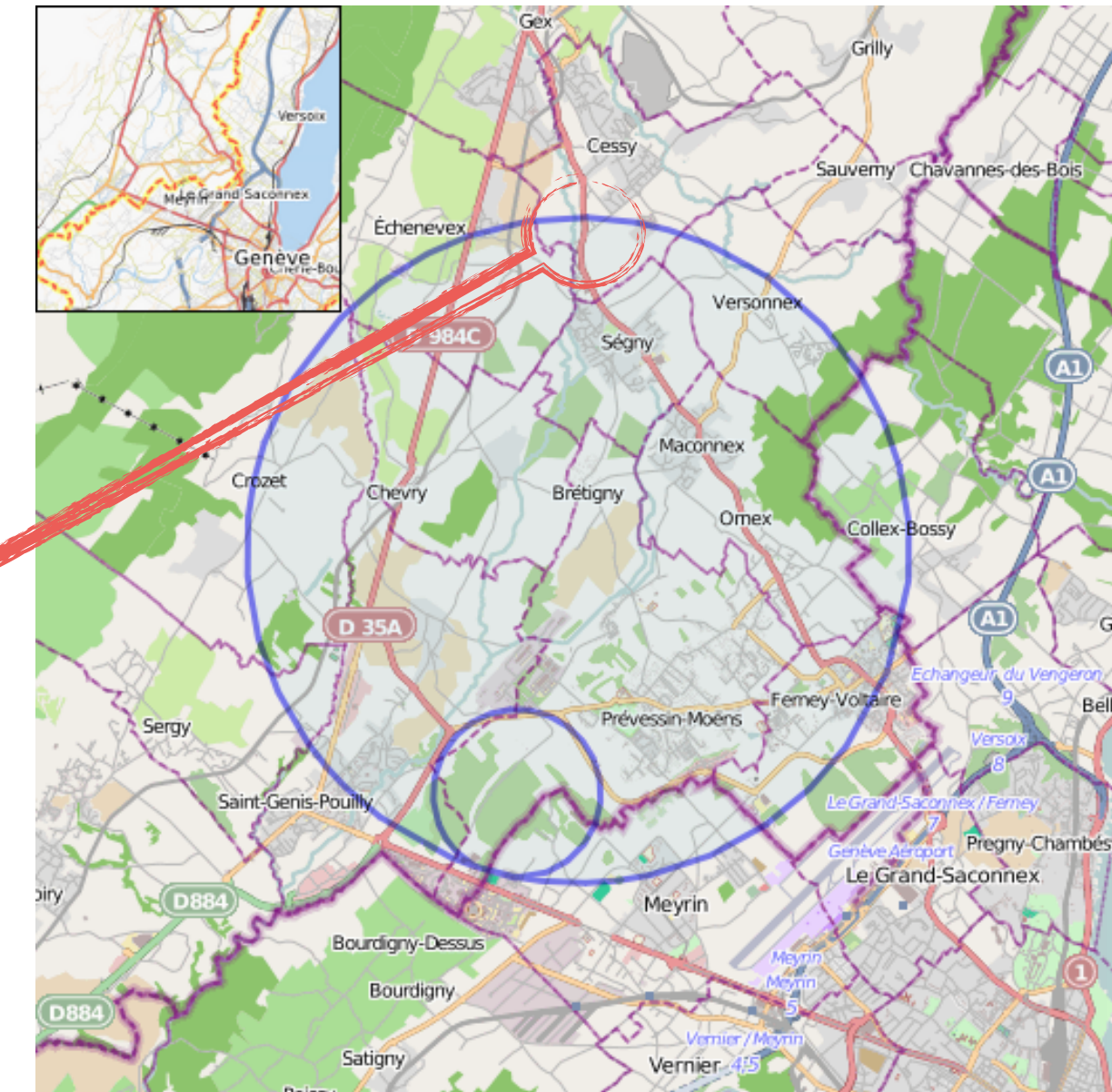
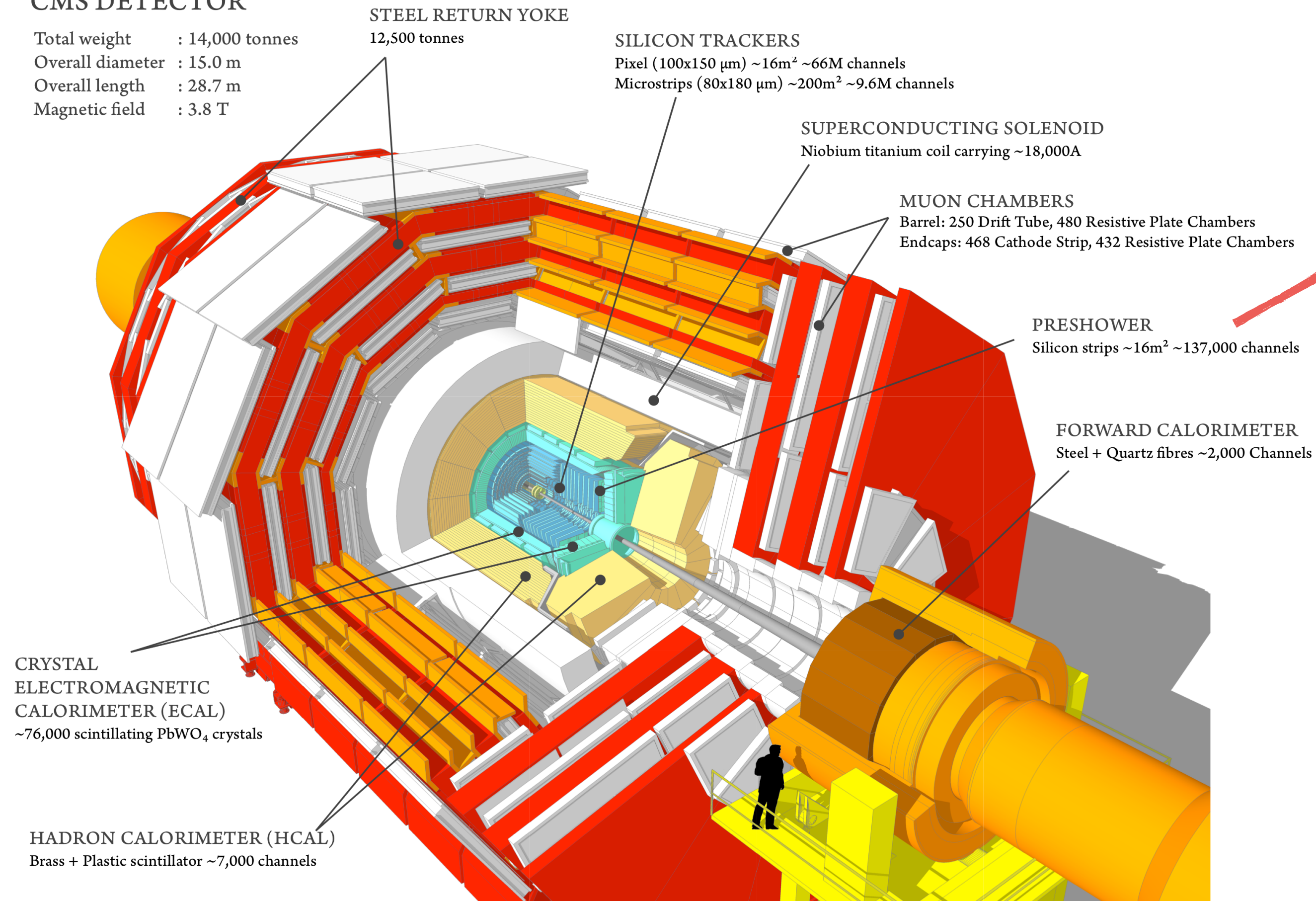
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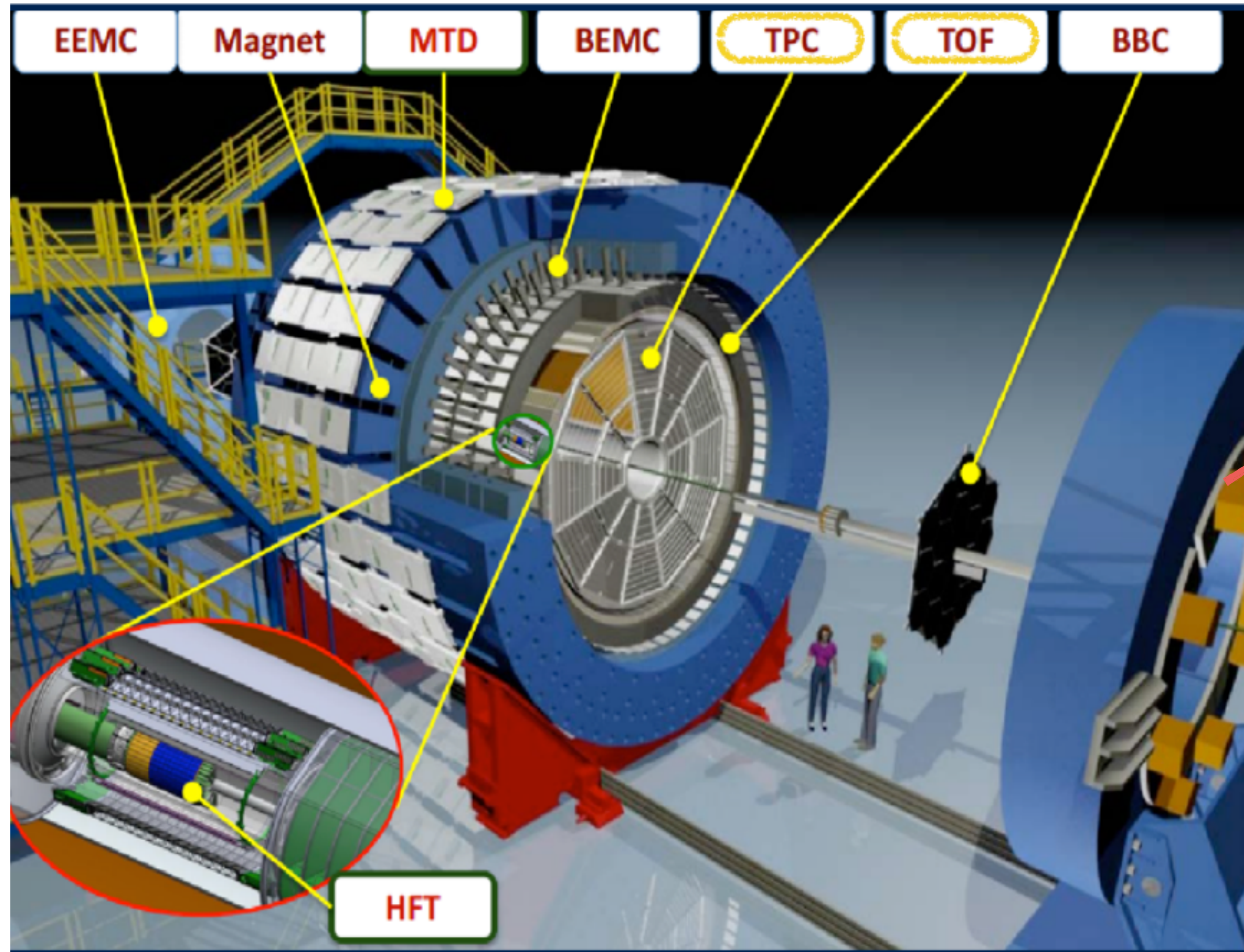
LHC-CMS

CMS DETECTOR

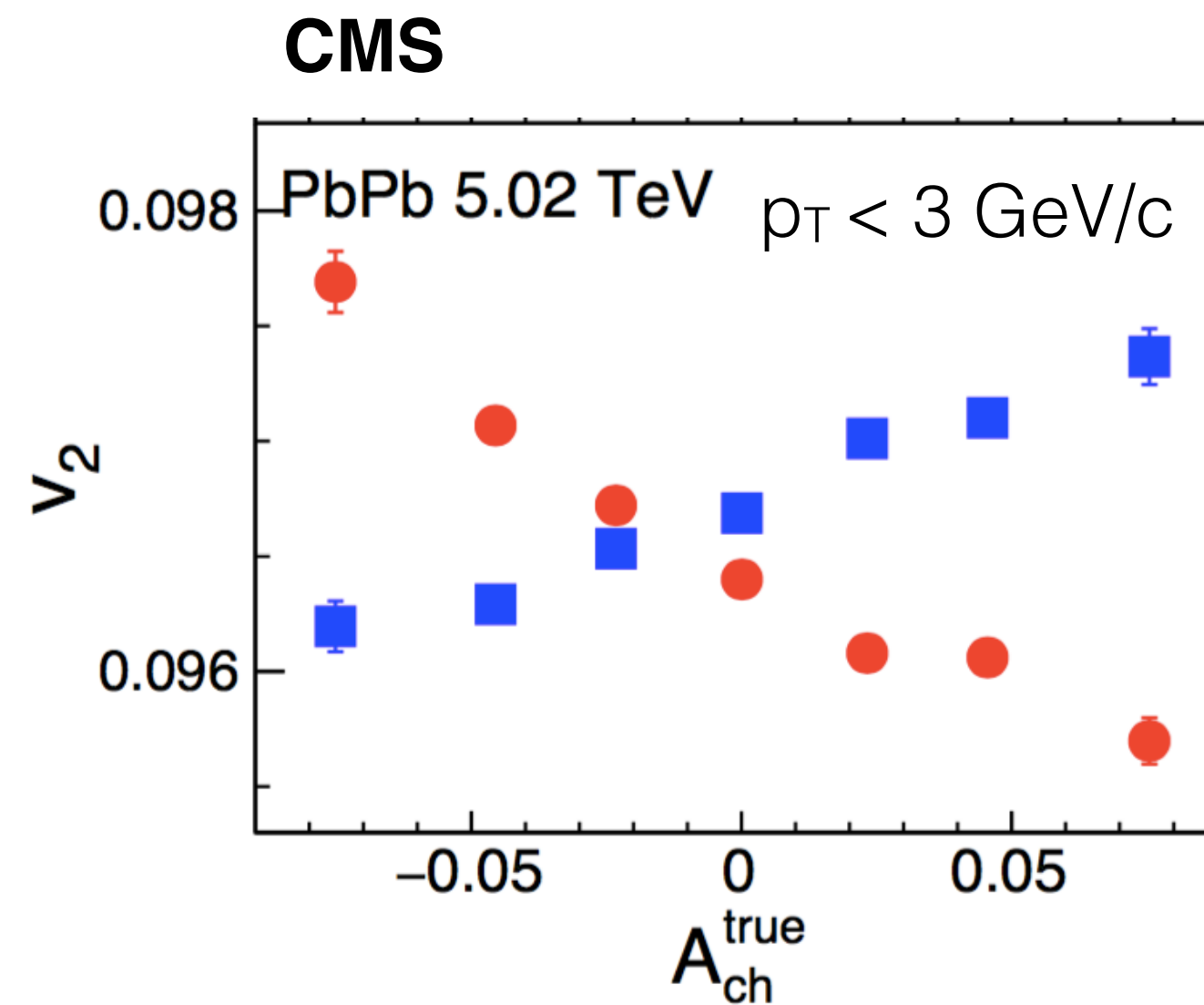
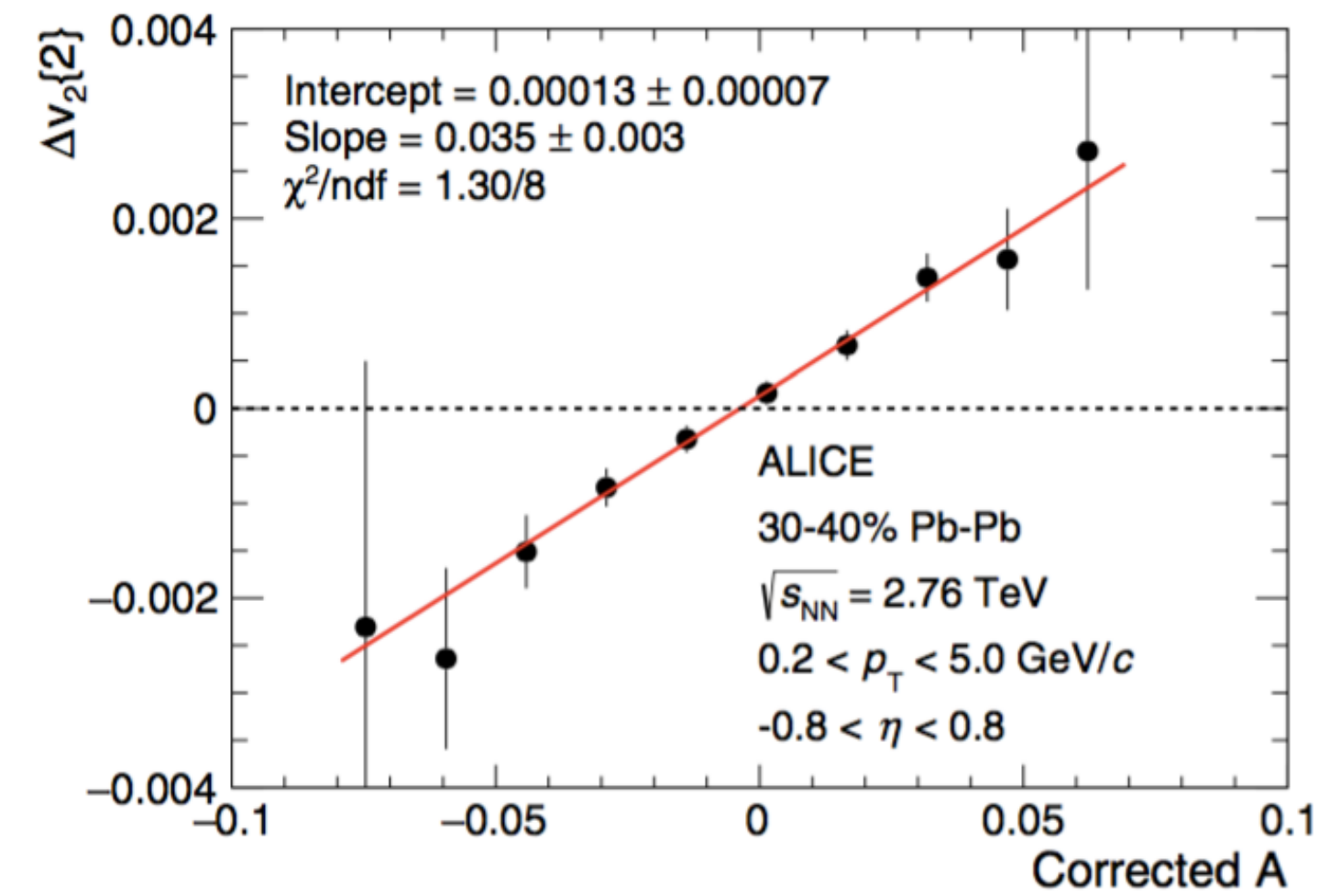
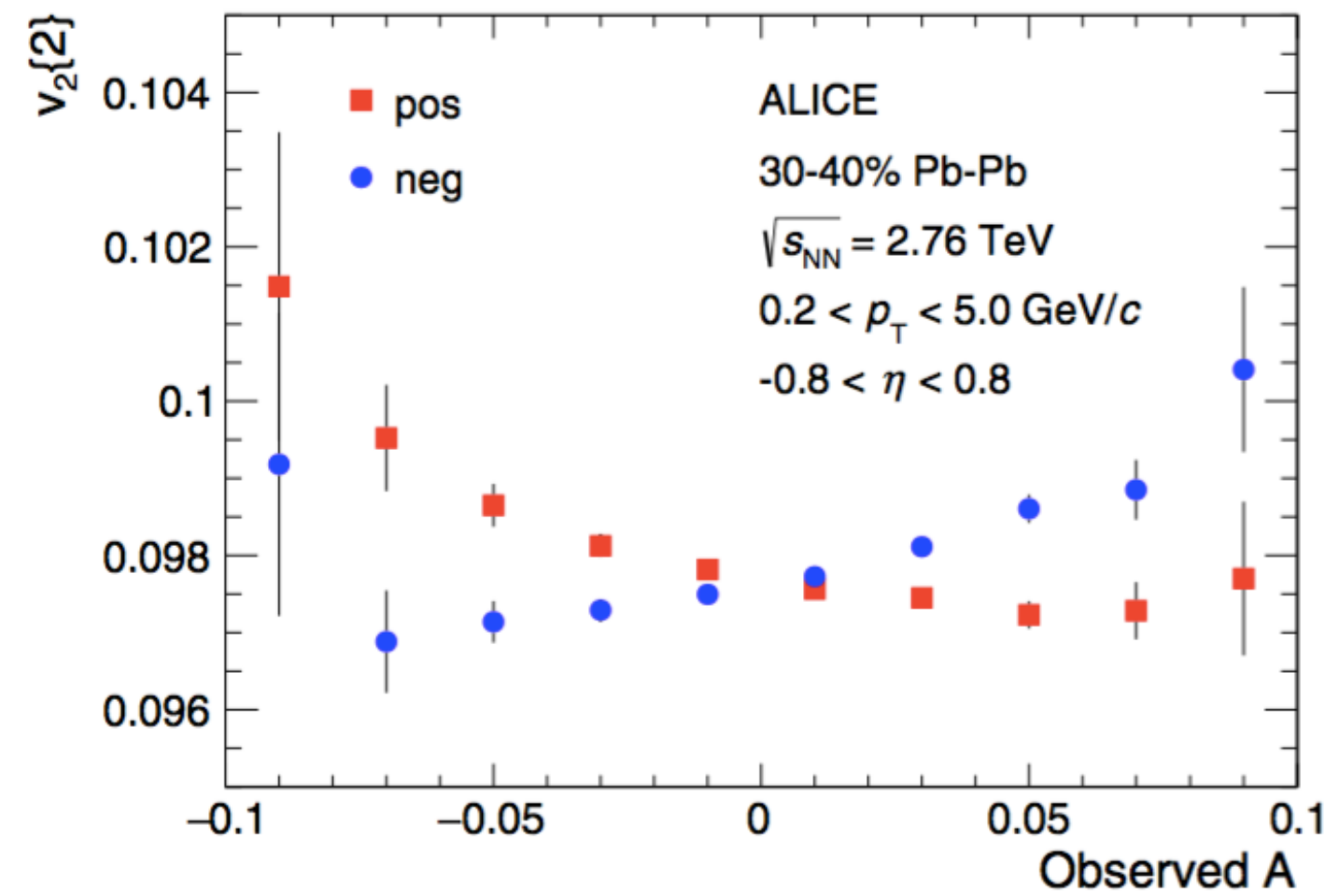
Total weight : 14,000 tonnes
 Overall diameter : 15.0 m
 Overall length : 28.7 m
 Magnetic field : 3.8 T



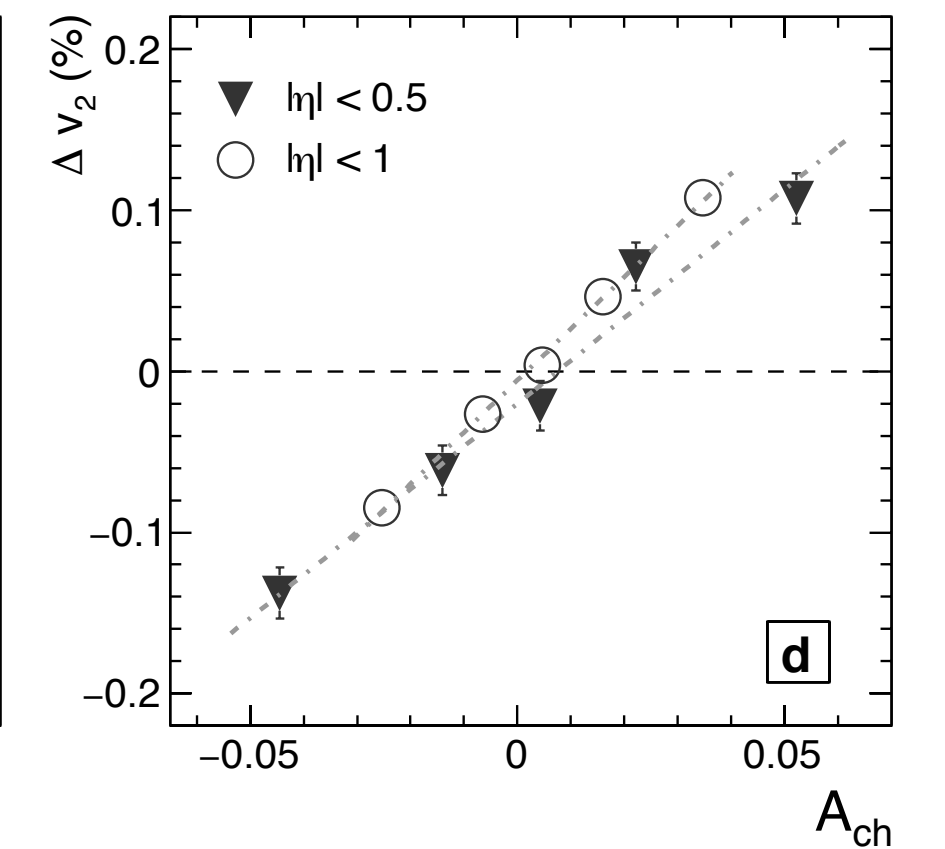
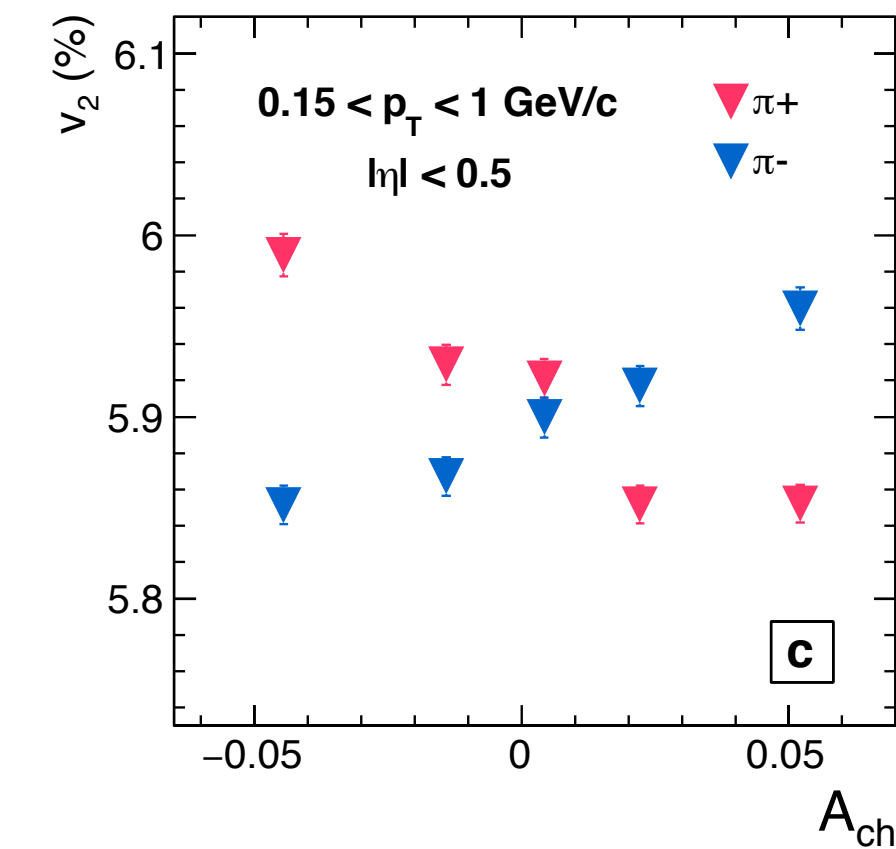
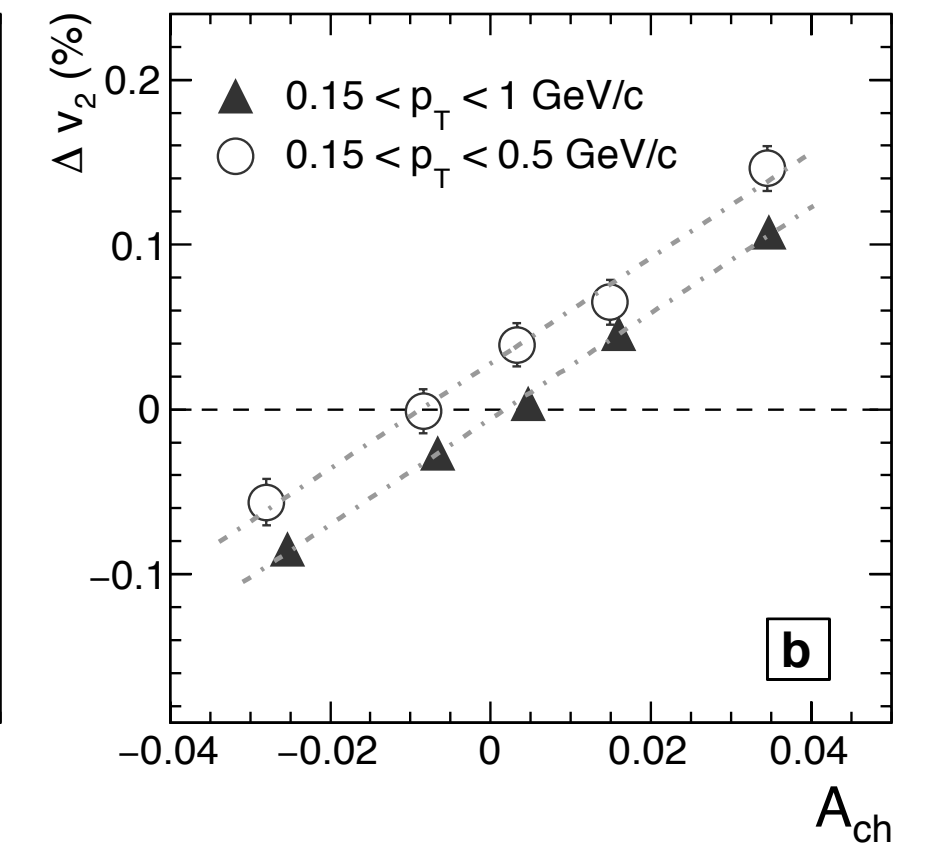
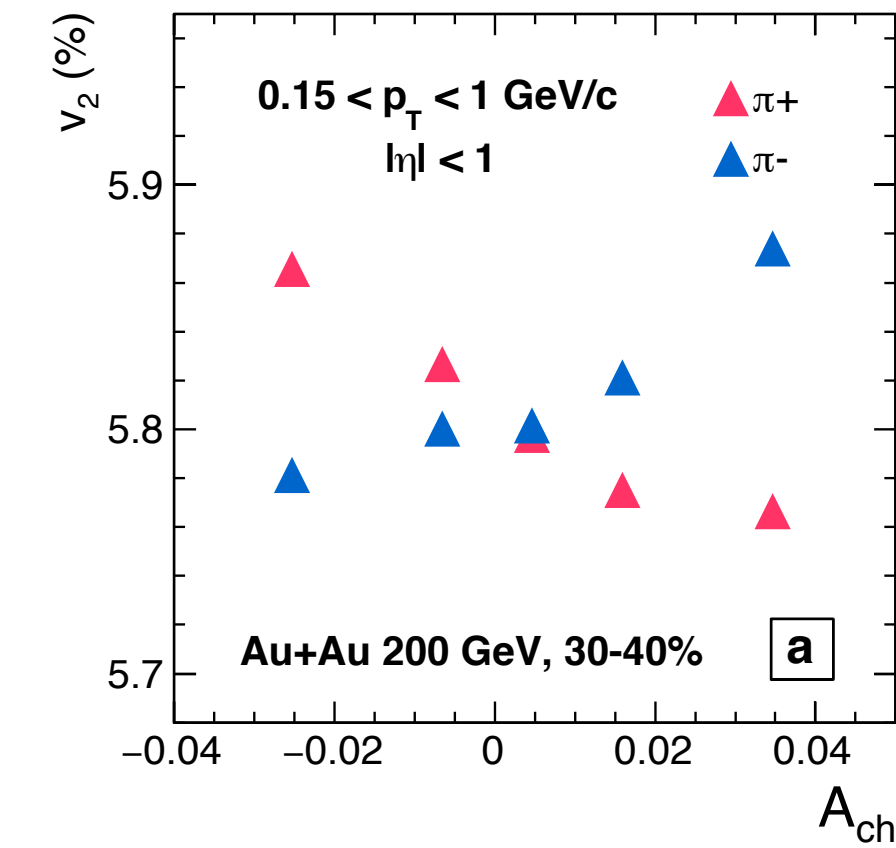
RHIC-STAR



Experimental measurement of A_{ch} dependent v_2

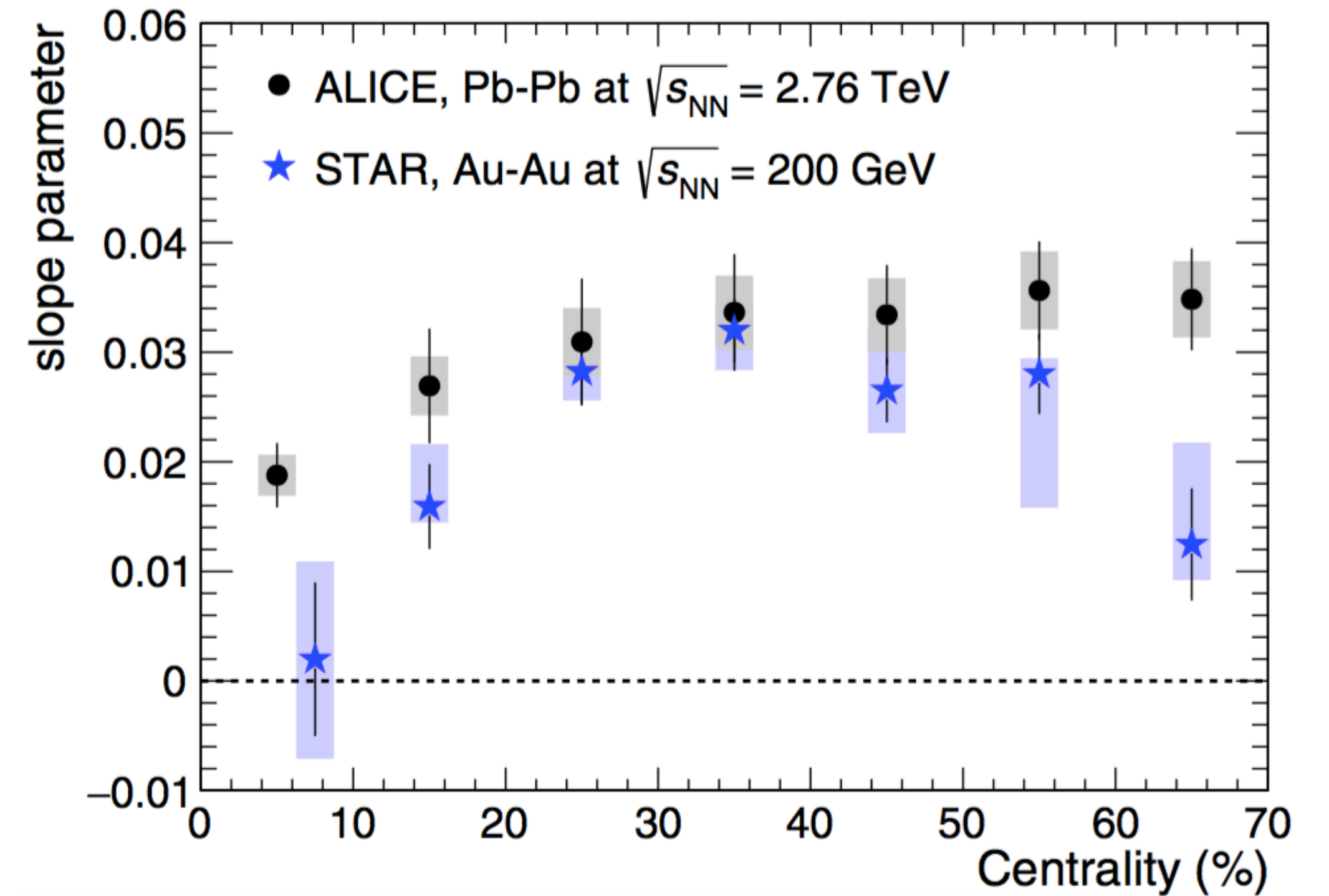
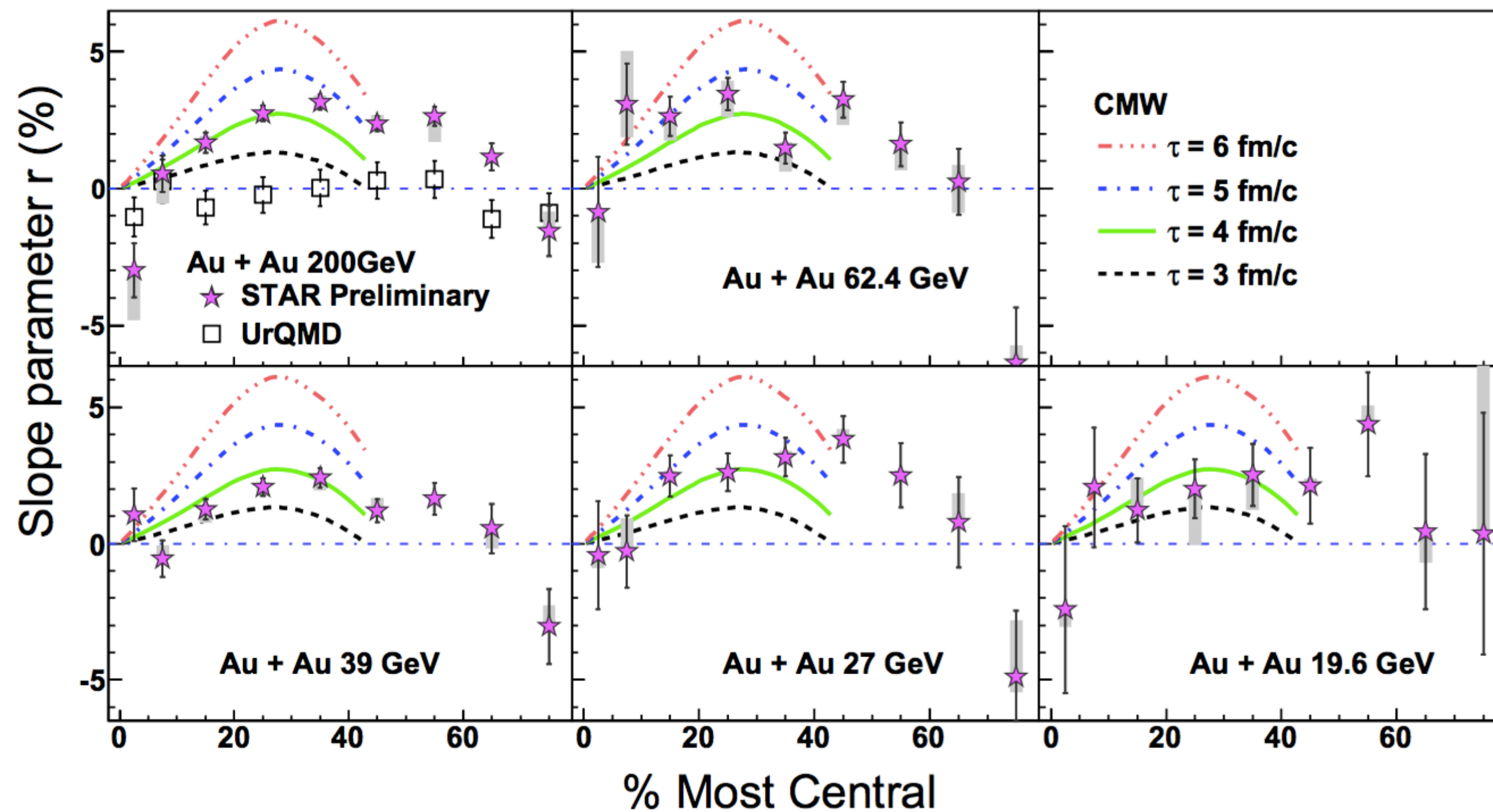


STAR



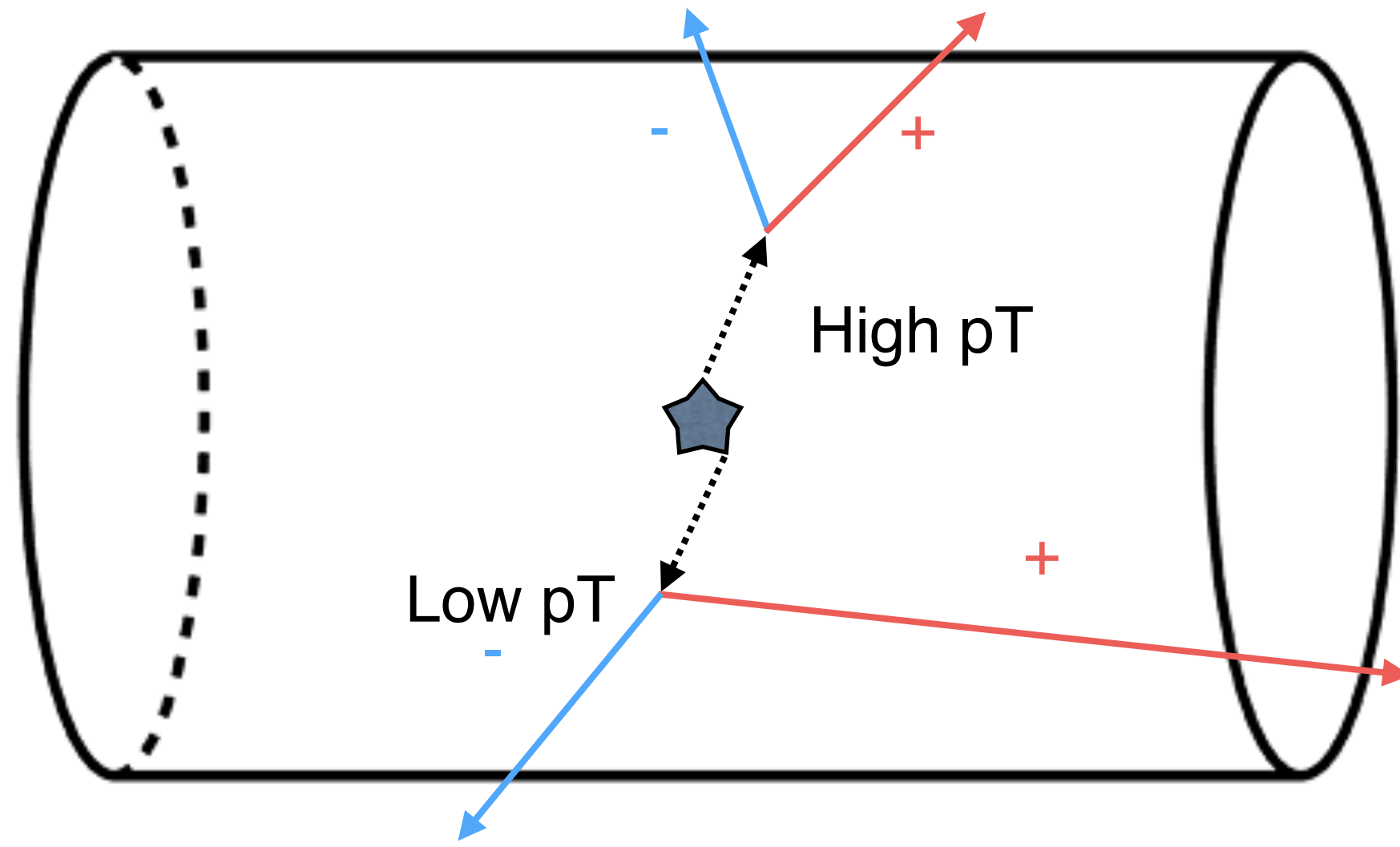
- A clear linear dependence between v_2 and A_{ch} is observed in all experiments

Slope of v_2 vs Centrality

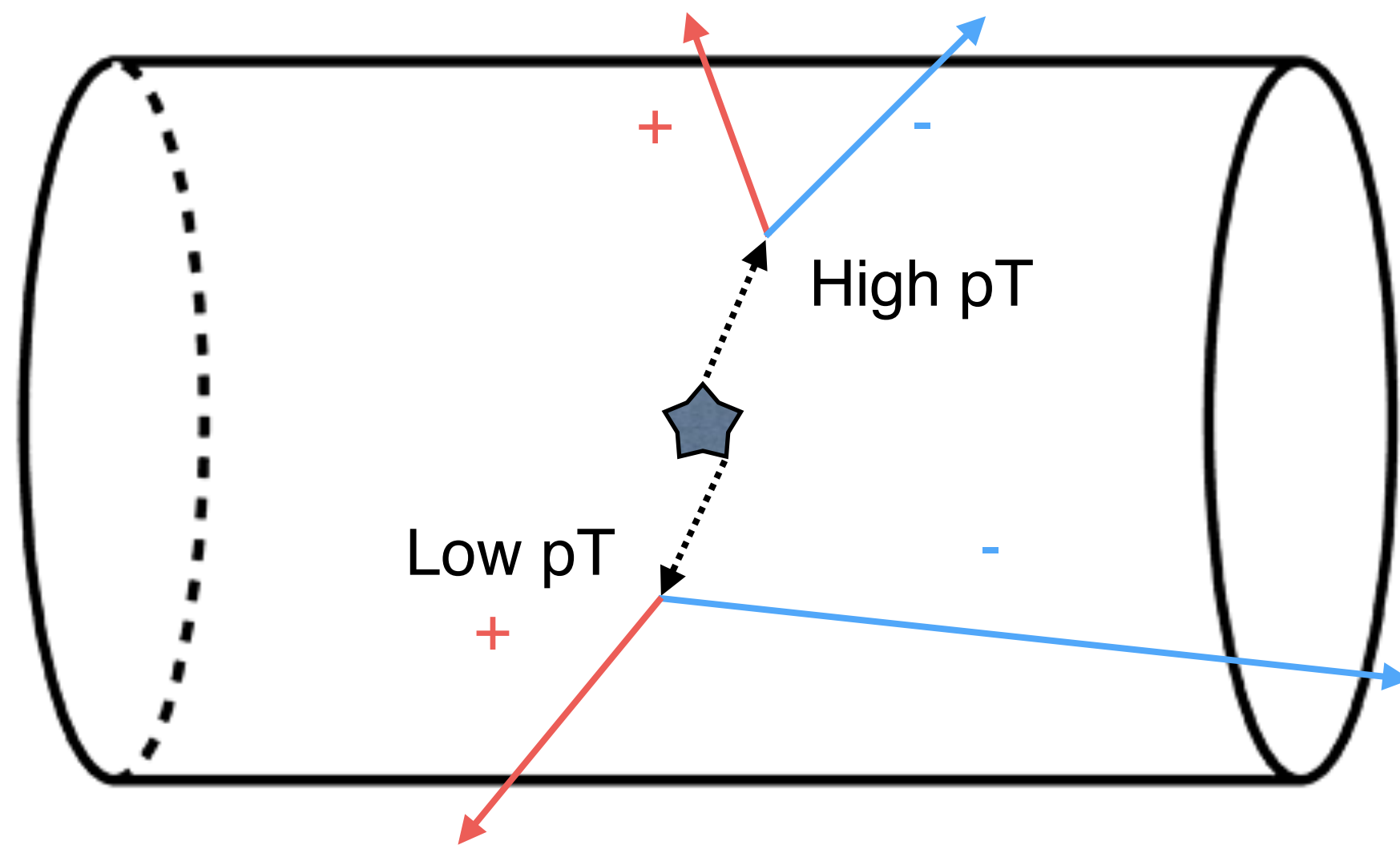


- At GeV scale, data are consistent with the qualitative expectations from the CMW picture, and the slope parameter follows a centrality dependence qualitatively similar to the theoretical calculations of the CMW
- At TeV scale, the slopes remain the same, however, with weaker centrality dependence

Possible background — Local Charge Conservation



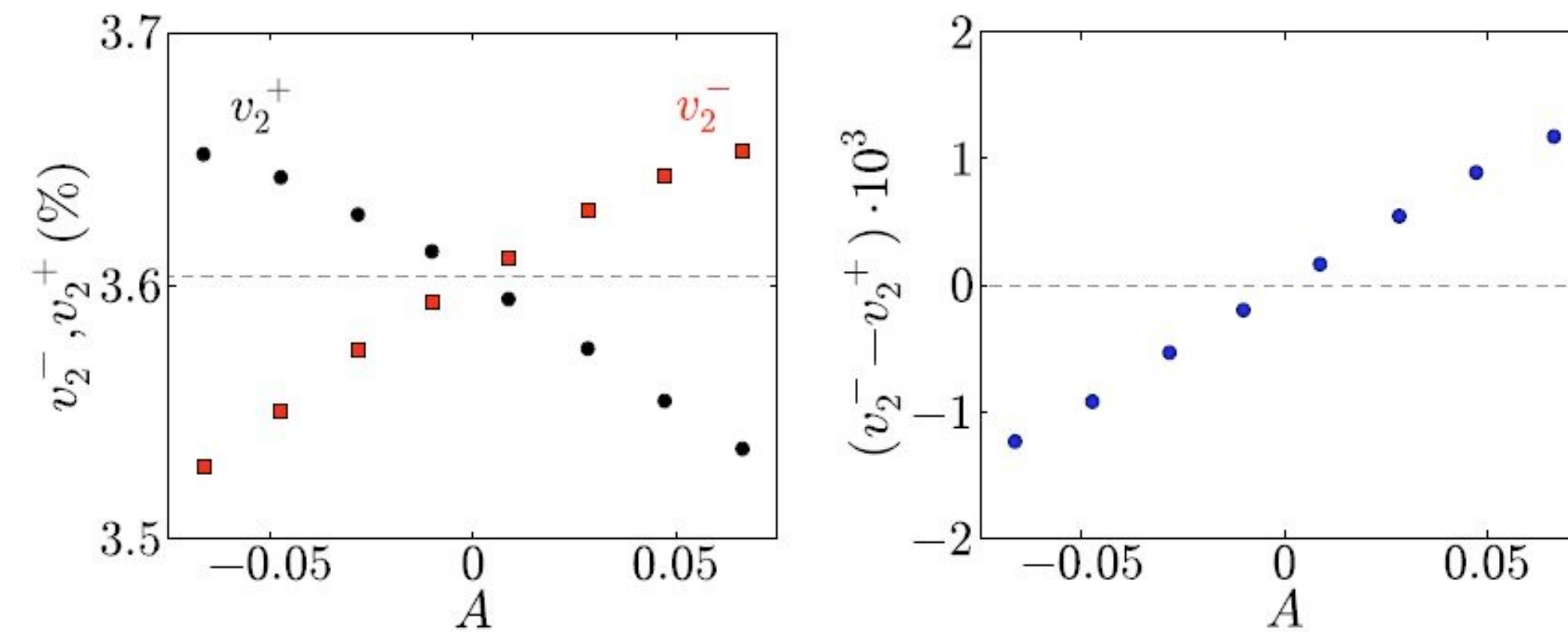
A_{ch} decrease
 $\text{mean } p_T (-) < \text{mean } p_T (+)$
 $v_2 (-) < v_2 (+)$



A_{ch} increase
 $\text{mean } p_T (-) > \text{mean } p_T (+)$
 $v_2 (-) > v_2 (+)$

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Possible background – Local Charge Conservation



Local charge conservation (LCC) at freeze-out, when folded with the characteristic shape of $v_2(\eta)$ and $v_2(p_T)$ at RHIC energies, can be manifested in the measurement of v_2 , v_3 and different η coverage

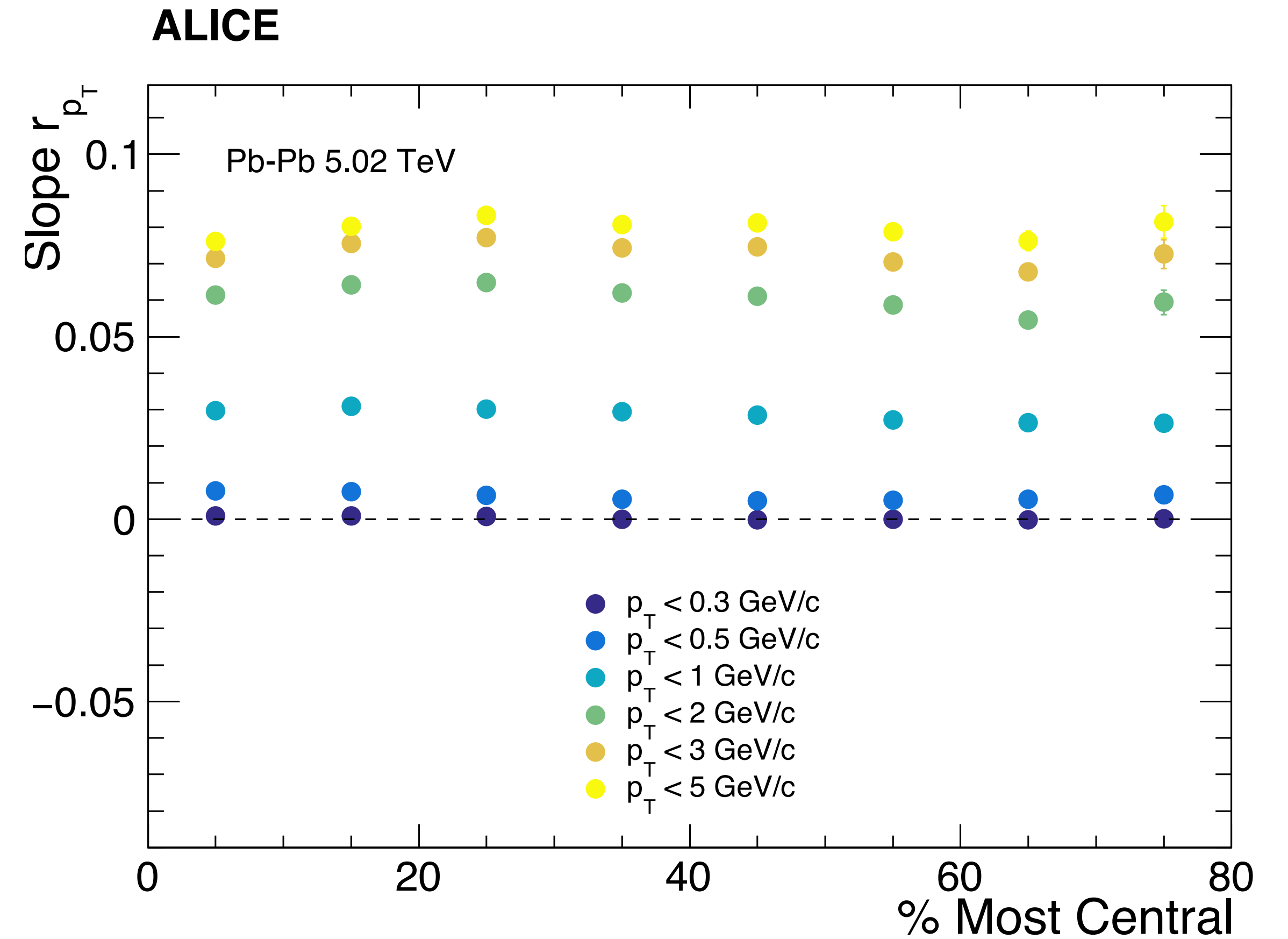
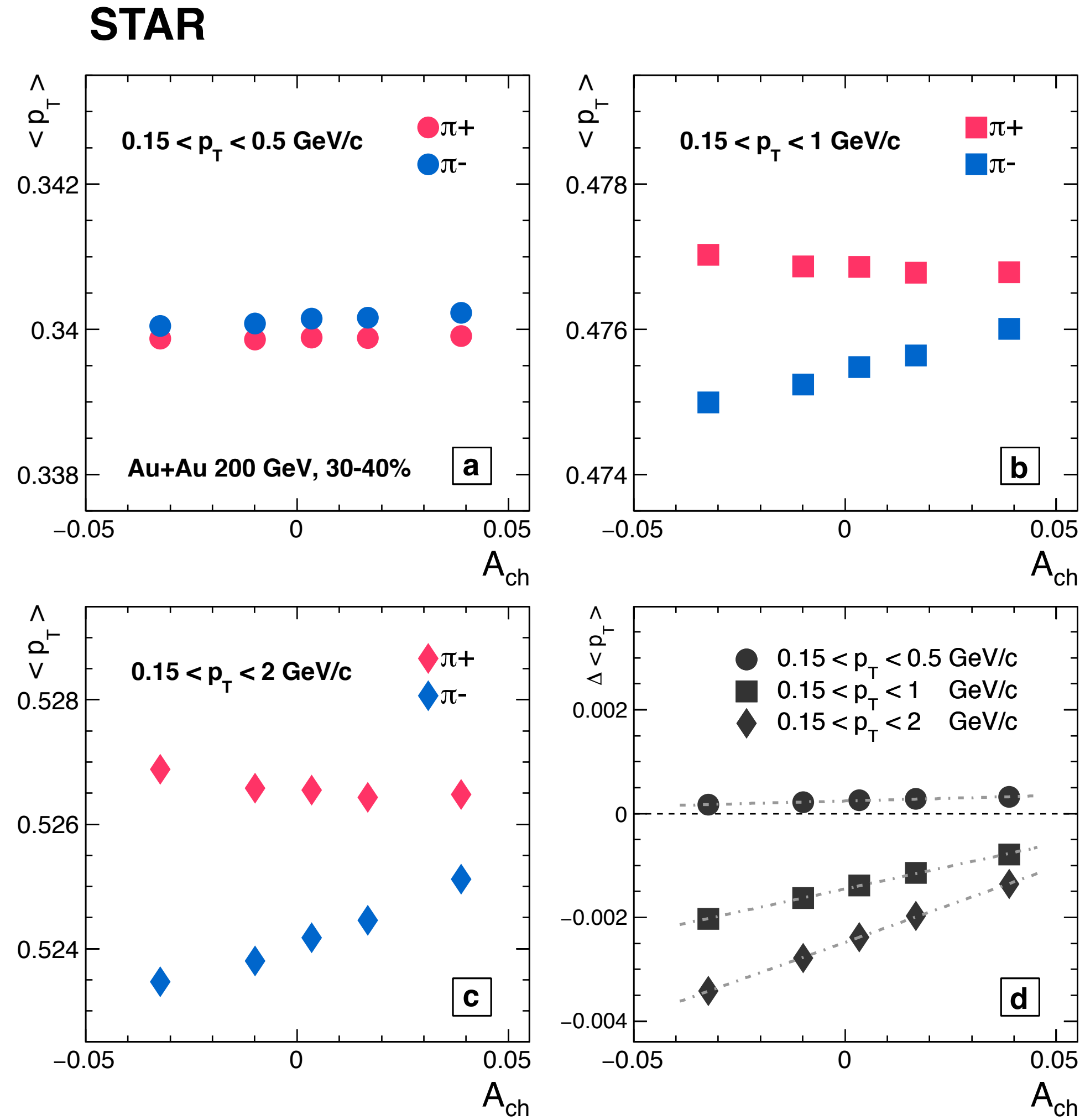
$$\Delta v_3 / \Delta v_2 \sim v_3 / v_2$$

How to examine LCC?

- Check $\langle p_T \rangle$ vs A_{ch}
- Investigate the v_3 slope
- Perform the measurement in the small system collisions

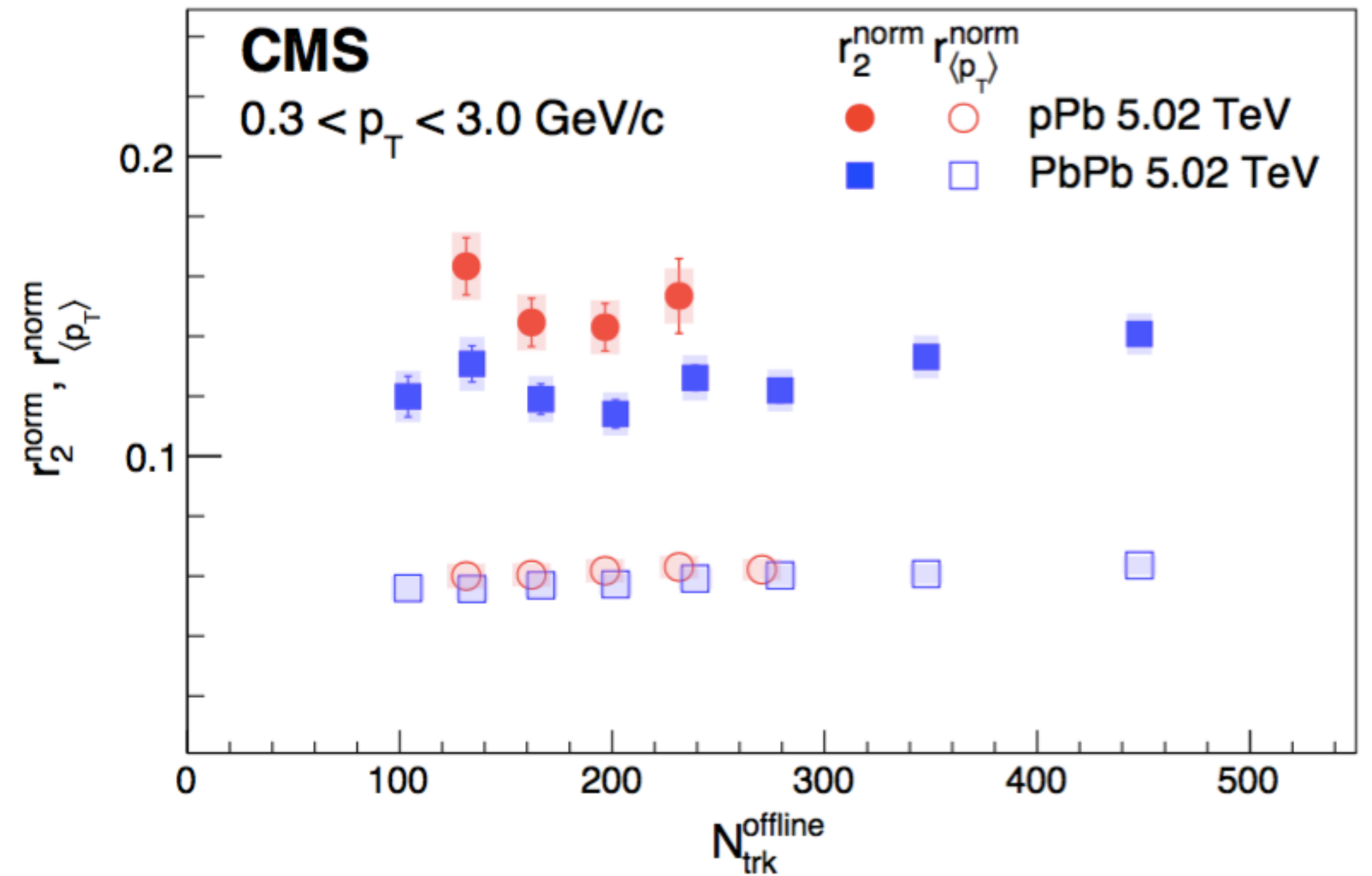
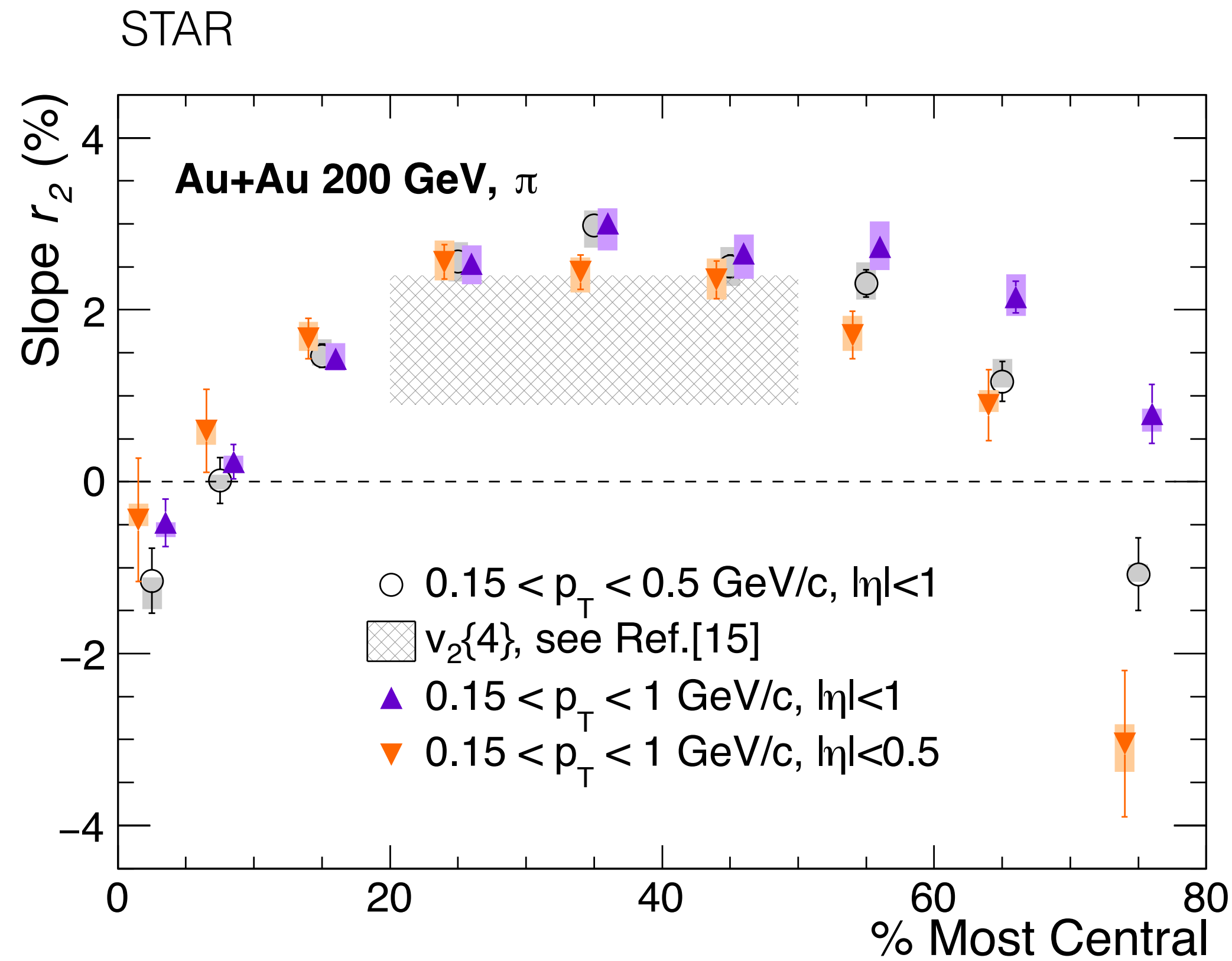
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$\langle p_T \rangle$ vs A_{ch}



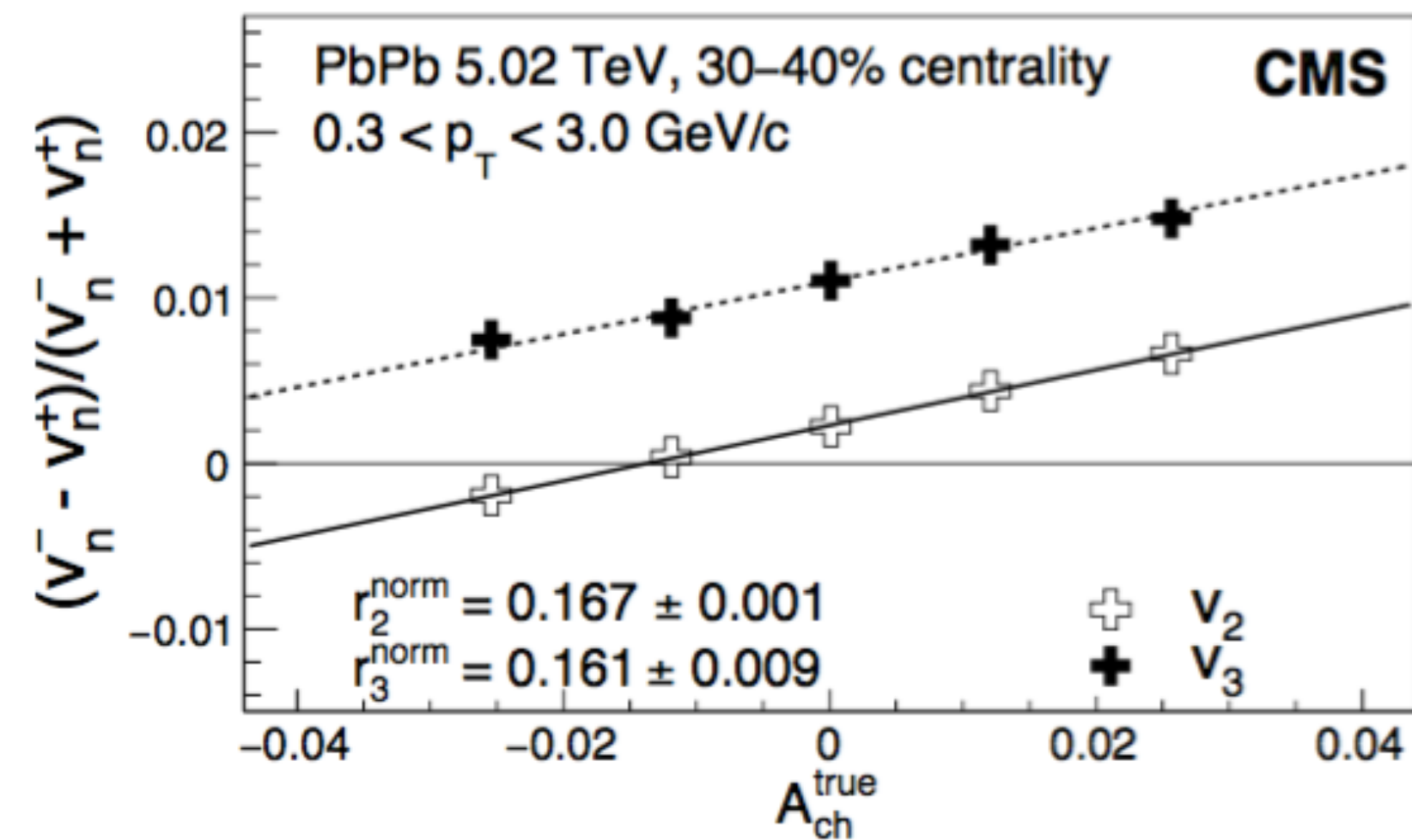
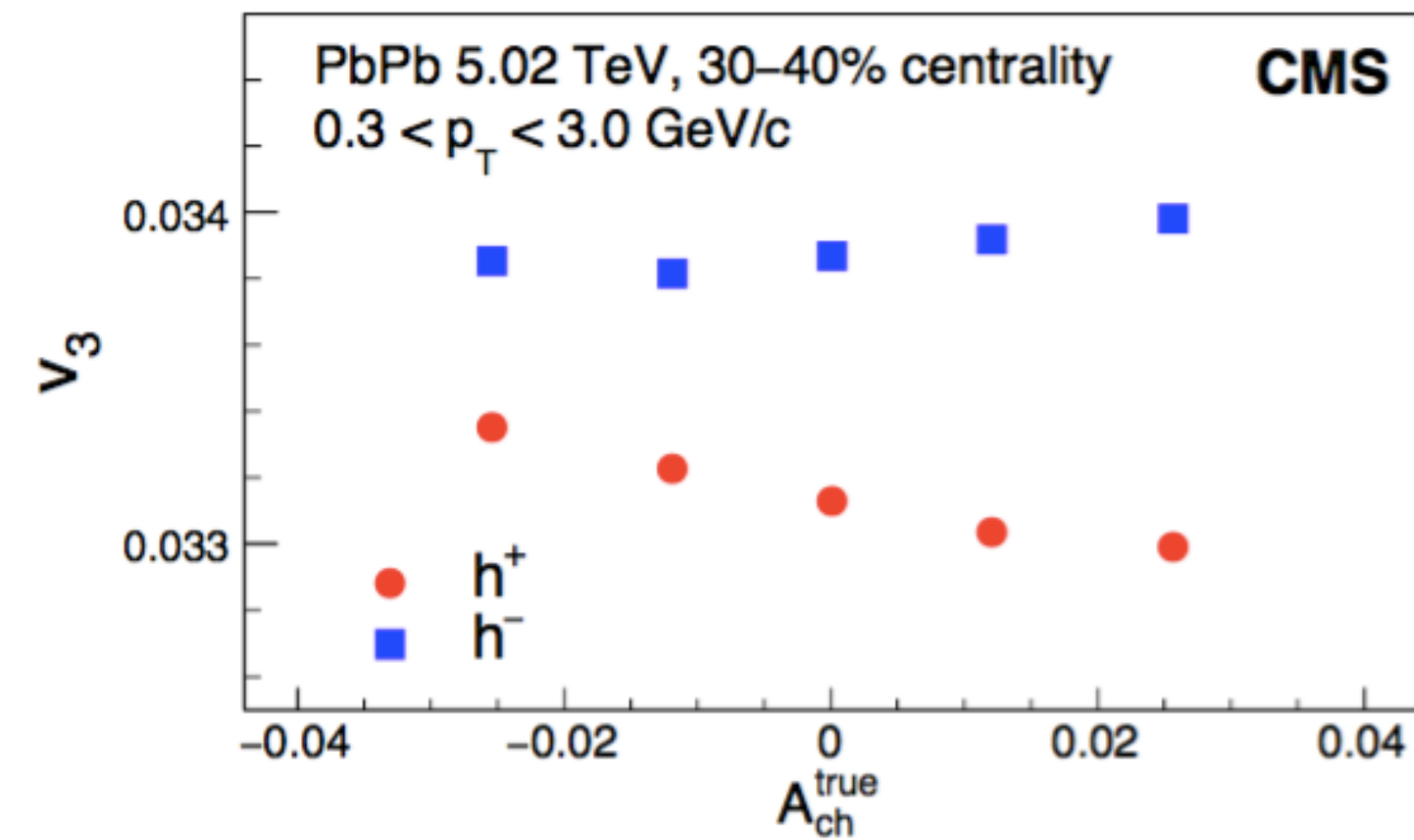
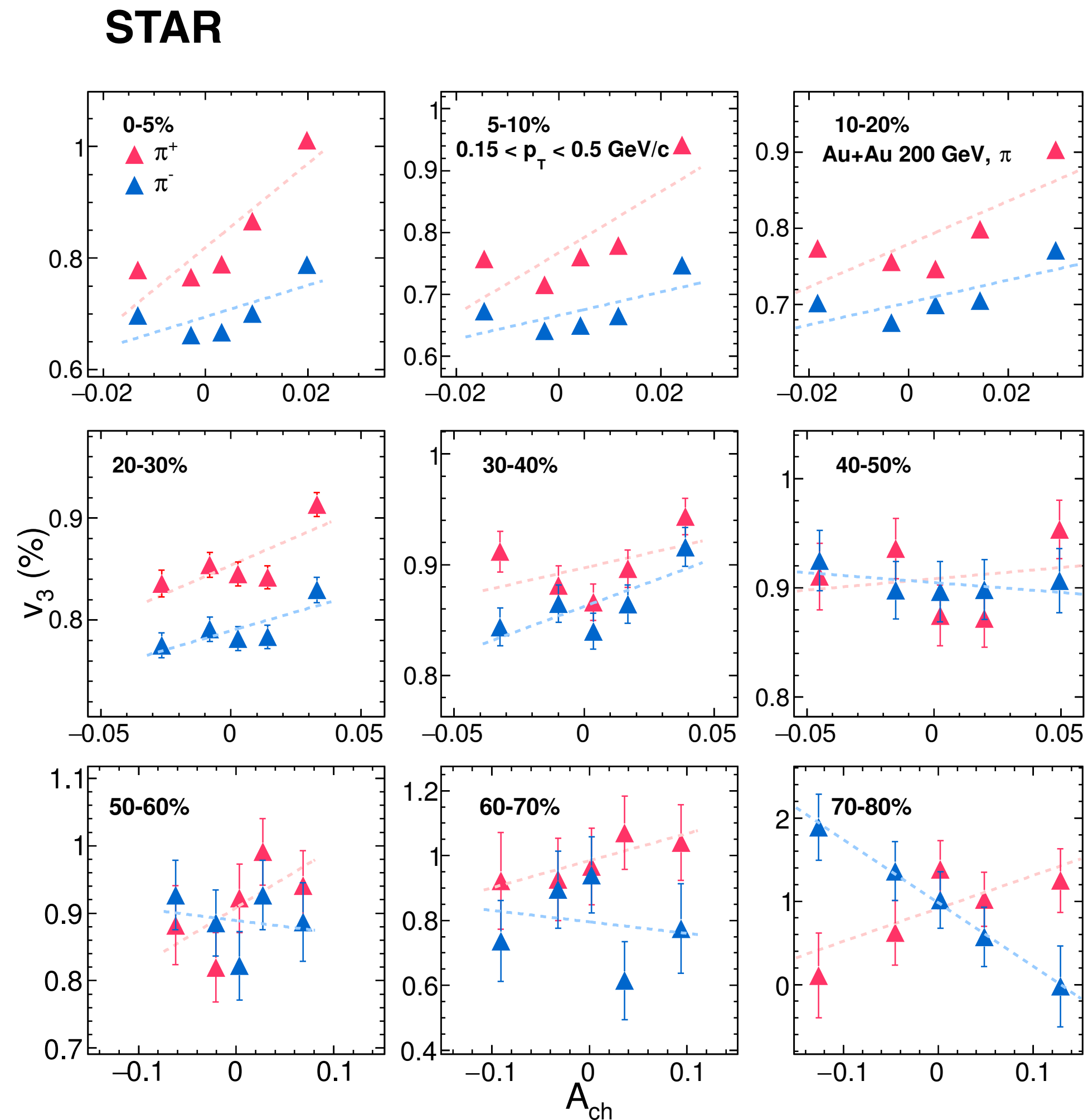
- In a widened p_T coverage, the dependence between $\langle p_T \rangle$ vs A_{ch} get stronger

Slope of v_2 and p_T vs centrality (N_{trk})



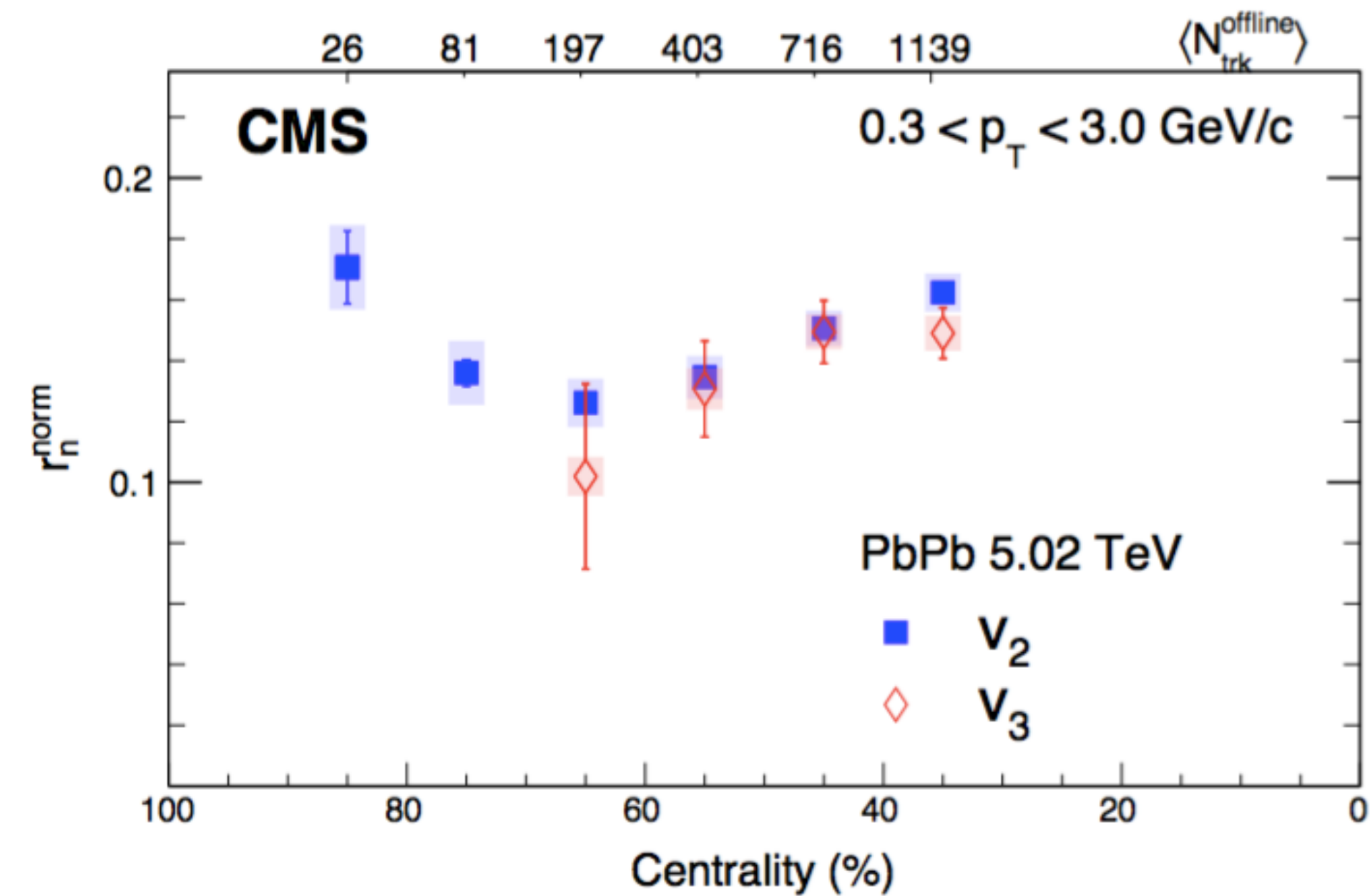
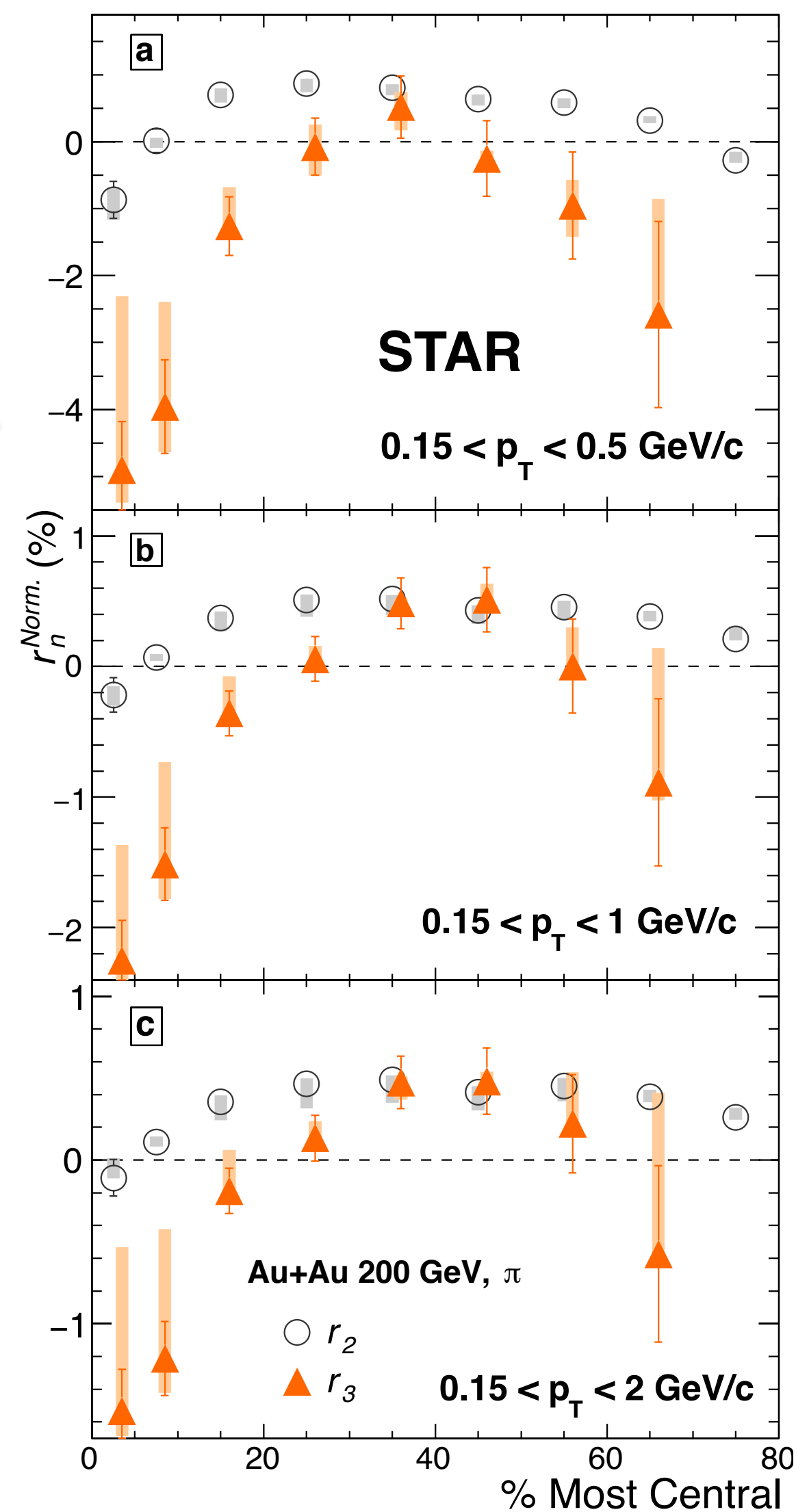
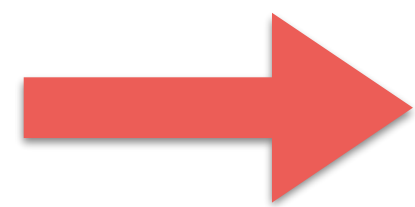
- To remove the contamination from $\langle p_T \rangle$ vs A_{ch} , one should keep the p_T coverage as low as possible

Experimental measurement of A_{ch} dependent v_3



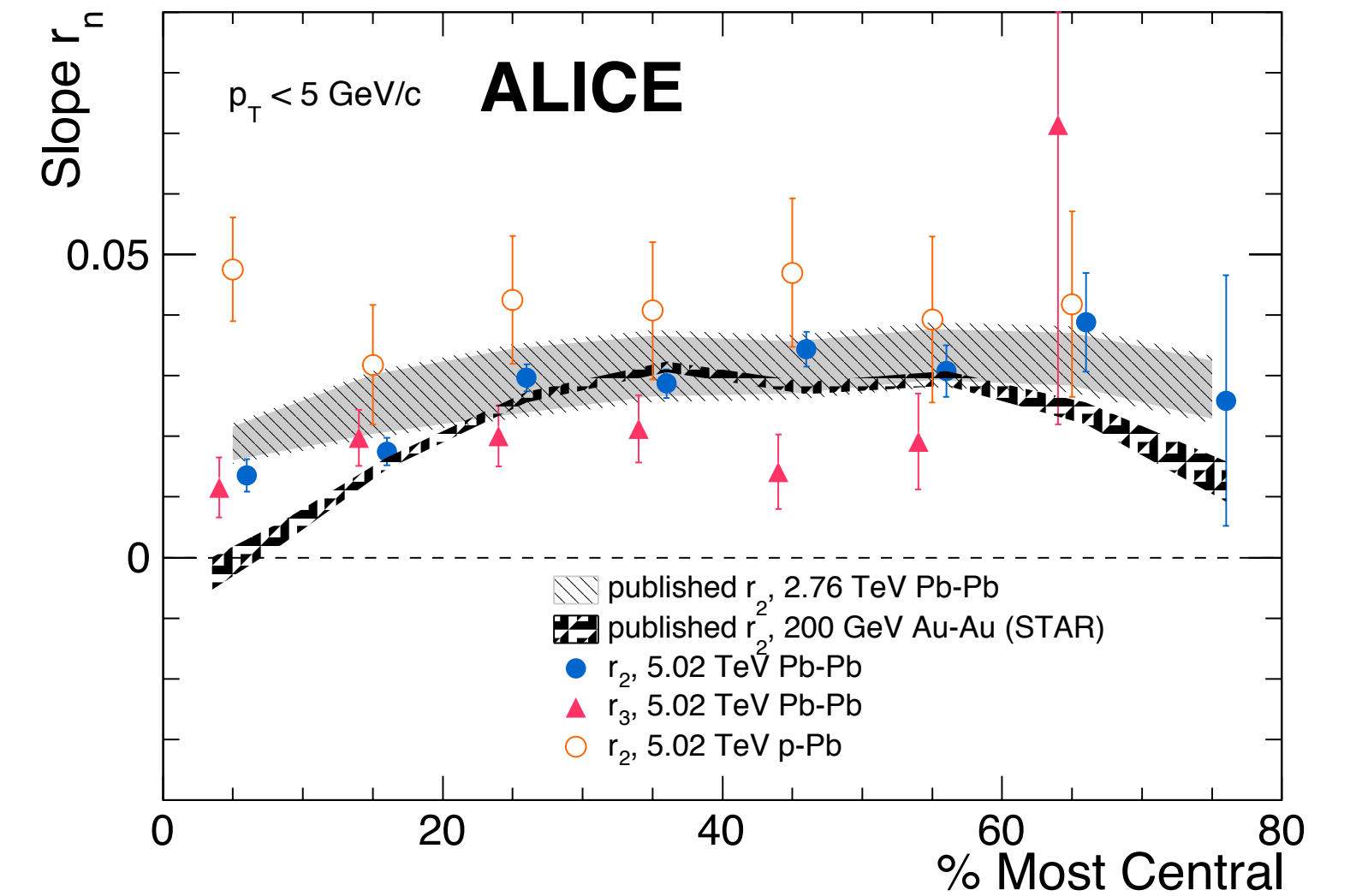
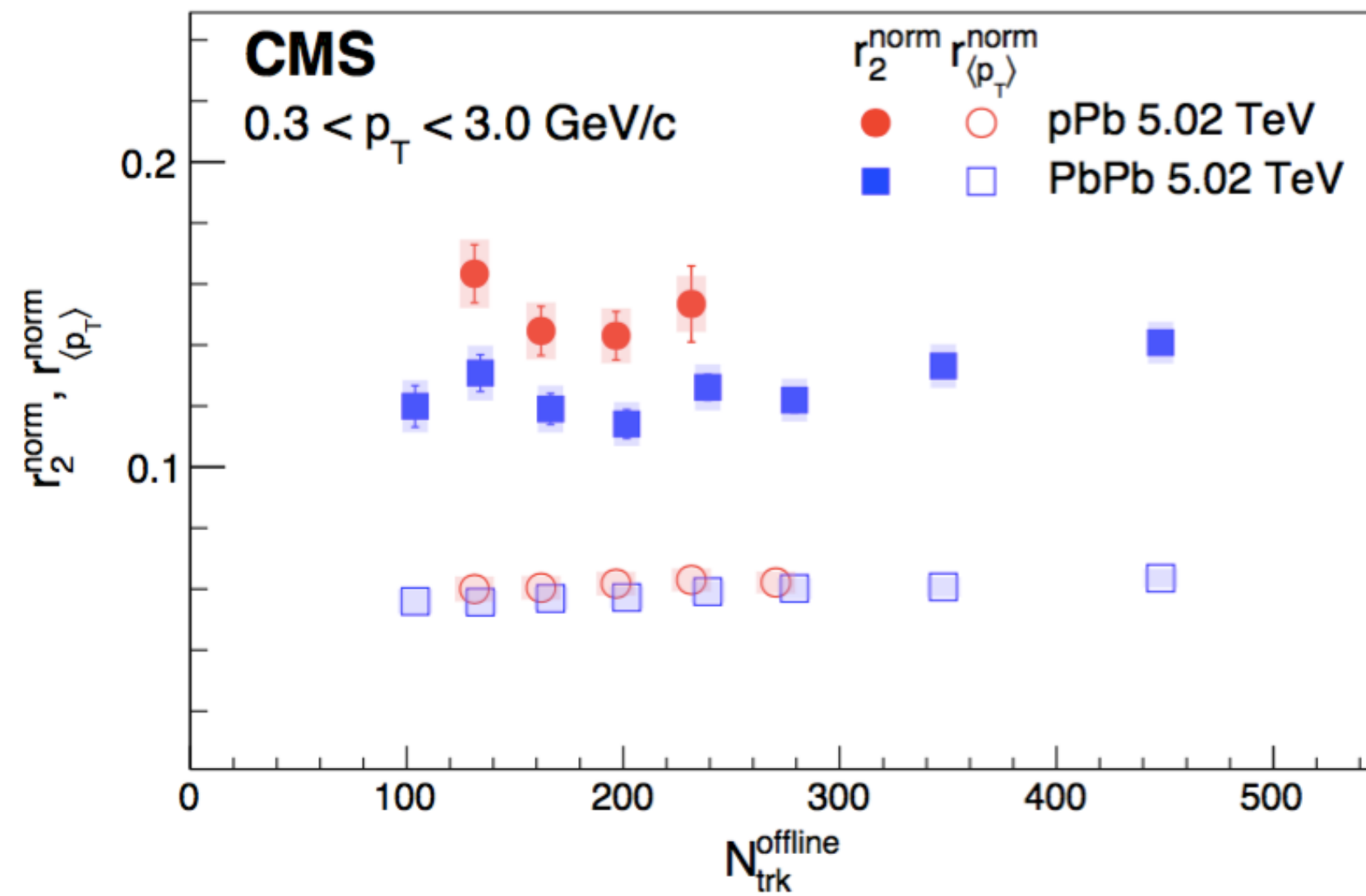
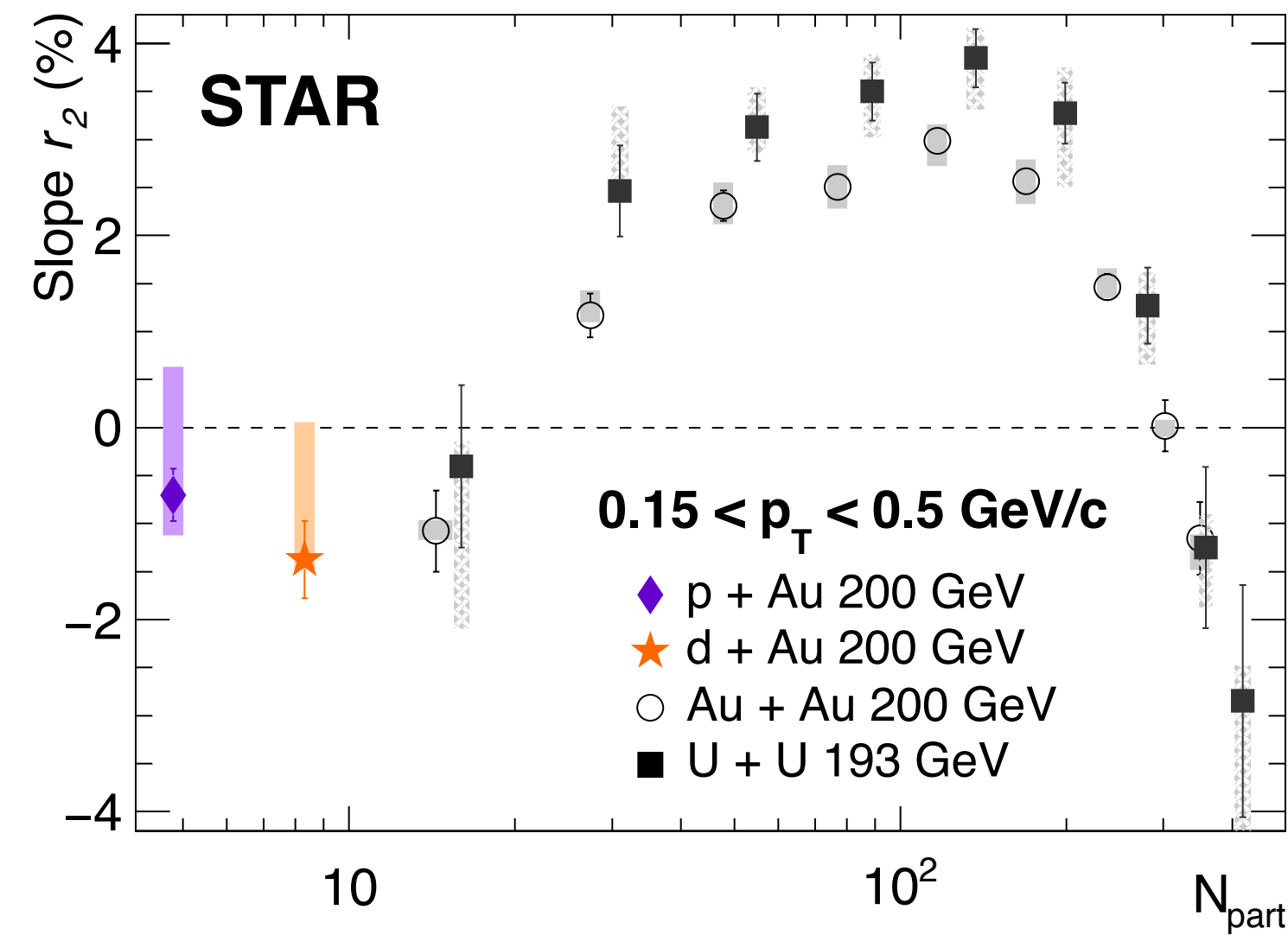
- The linear dependence between v_3 and A_{ch} gets weaker at STAR, however, remains unchanged at CMS

Slope of v_3 vs centrality



- For STAR data, the normalized slopes of v_2 and v_3 are basically consistent with each other at semi-central collisions, however, behave differently in most central and peripheral collisions, which can be explained by the non-flow contribution (expected to be presented at QM19)
- Consistent with each other in CMS data

Slope vs centrality in small system collisions



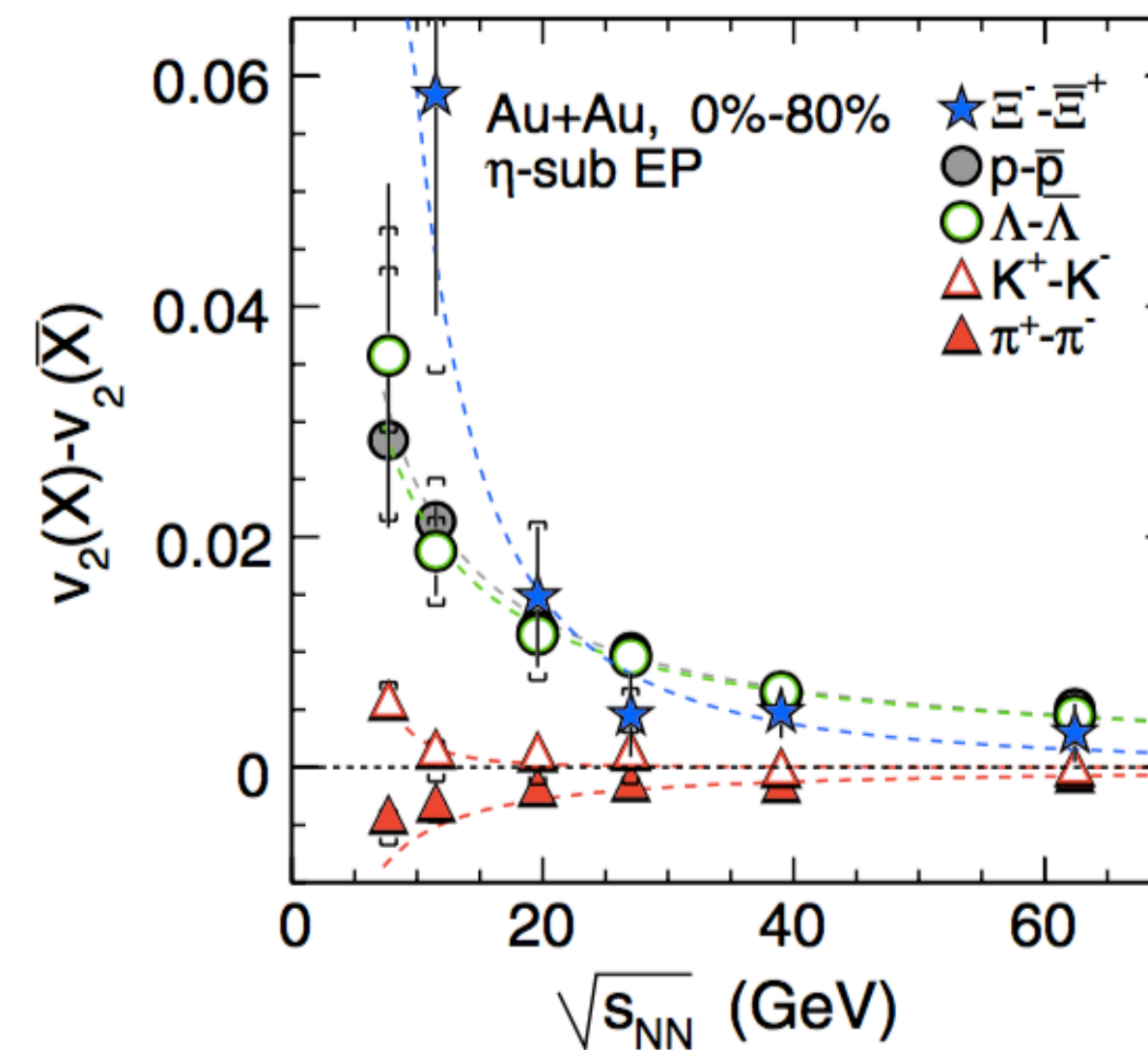
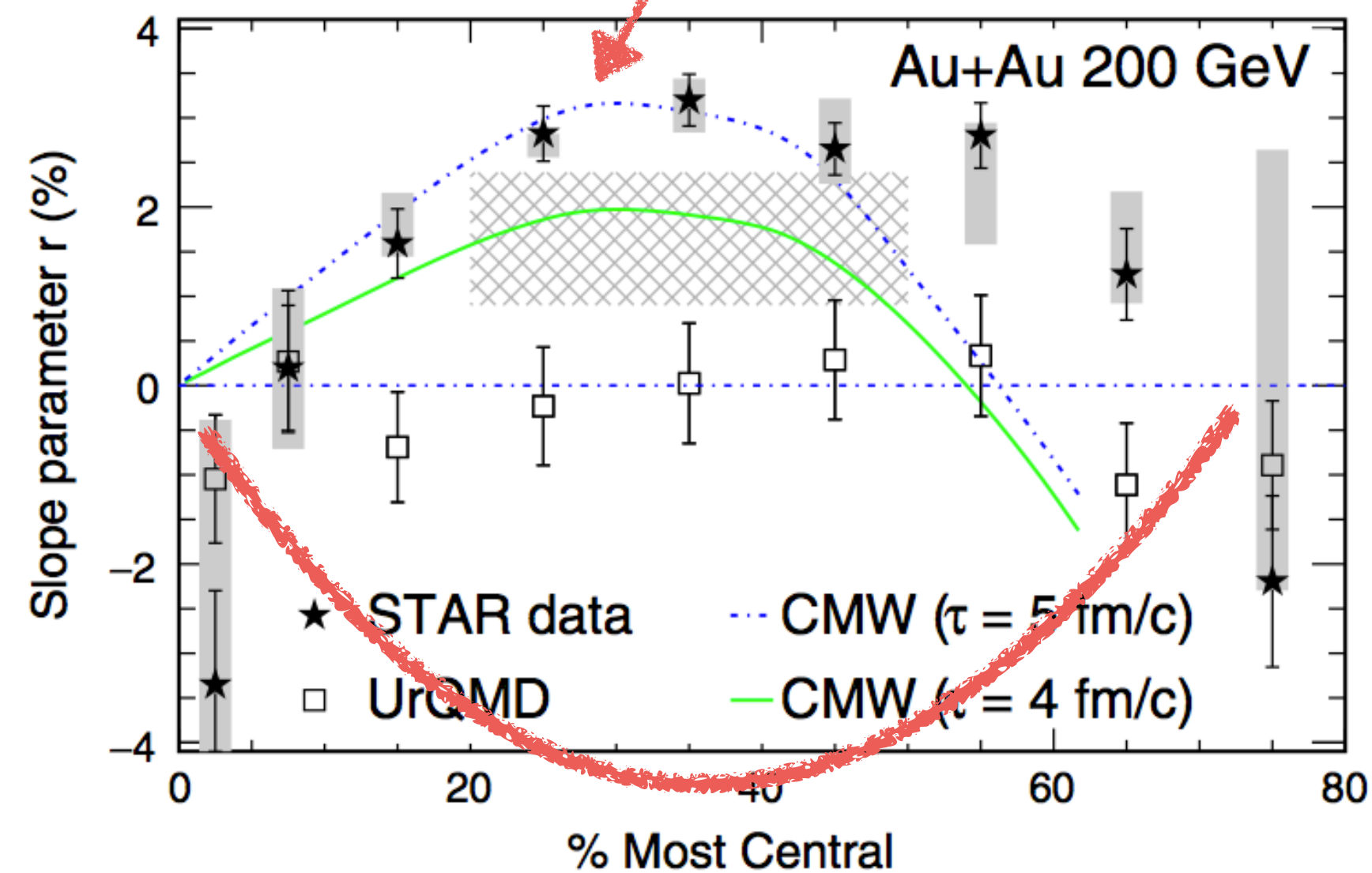
- The slopes in pAu and dAu are consistent with zero at STAR
- Similar slopes (positive) are observed in pPb collisions at both CMS and ALICE, however, in a wider p_T range

Possible background – Isospin+hydrodynamics

“... We demonstrate that the STAR results can be understood within the standard viscous hydrodynamics without invoking the CMW...”

$$\Delta v_2 \propto -\mu_l; A_{ch} \propto -\mu_l \text{ (assumed)}; \Rightarrow \Delta v_2 \propto A_{ch}$$

“... the slope r for the *kaons* should be *negative*, in contrast to the pion case, and the magnitude is expected to be larger... Note that in these predictions are integrated over $0 < p_T < \infty$. In order to properly test them, a wider p_T coverage is necessary...”

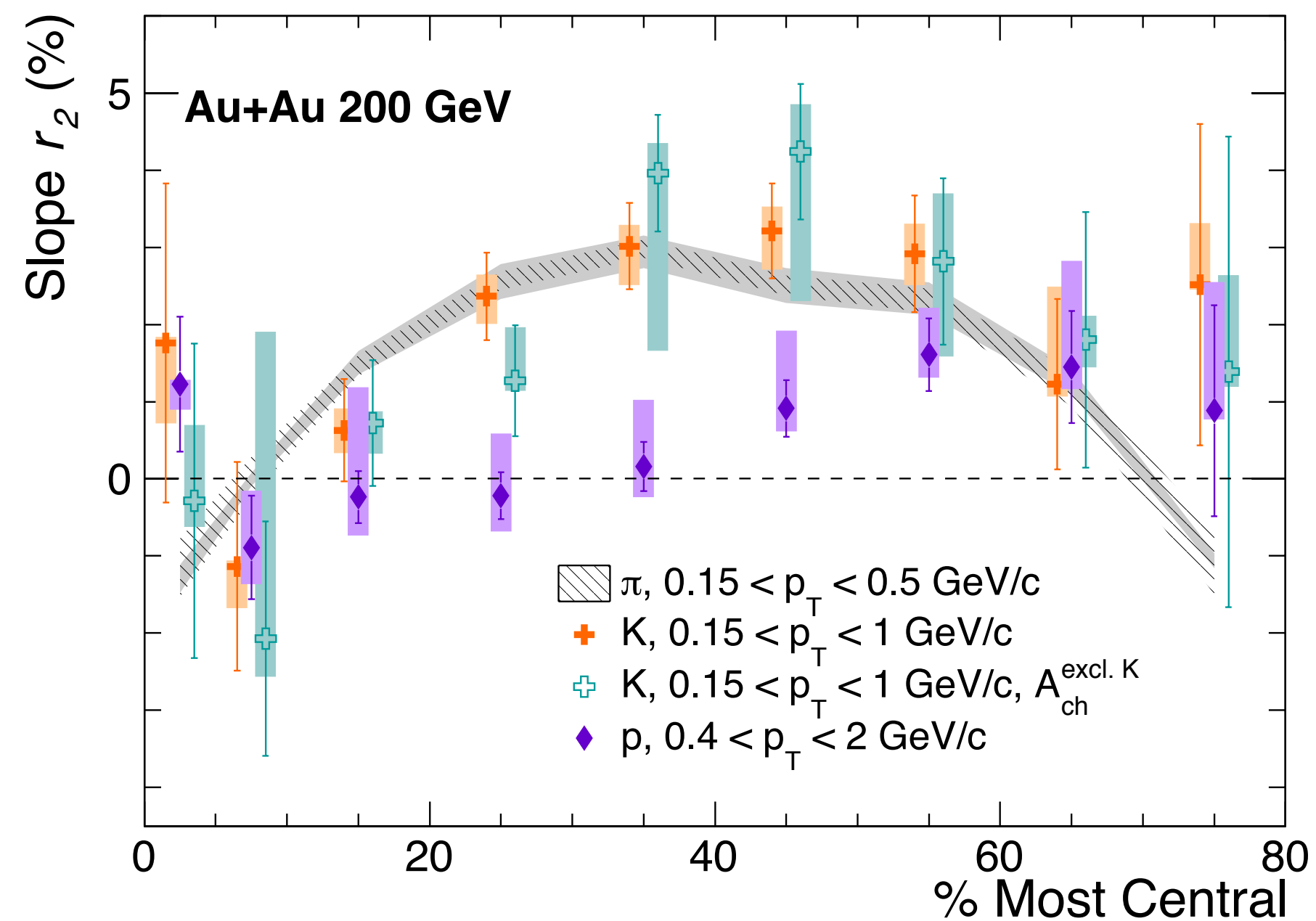
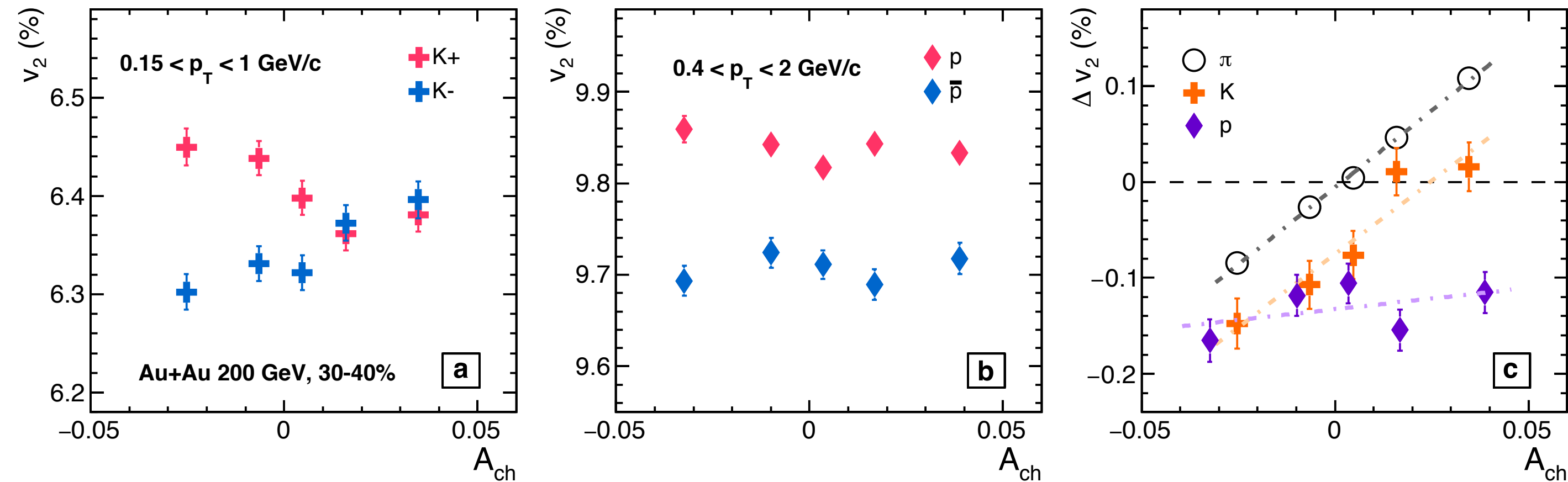


Hydrodynamics study suggests that, with wider p_T coverage, K slope should be opposite to π slope with larger magnitude, since

$$v_2(\pi^+) < v_2(\pi^-), v_2(K^+) > v_2(K^-)$$

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Measurements with identified K and p



- Centrality dependence of slope parameters for K behave similarly to that of π
- Intercepts for kaons K negative, while intercepts for pions are consistent with zero
- The p slopes are smaller than that of pions and kaons, except in the most peripheral collisions. Such discrepancy motives future studies

Summary

- The existence of **Chiral Magnetic Wave** has been searched for at ALICE, CMS and STAR
- The clear linear relationship between v_2 and A_{ch} , usually considered as a possible evidence, is observed at all experiments, however, is this a signal?
- The background effect of LCC is examined with different measurements
- The isospin effect gives the wrong prediction.
- More inputs from theoretical experts are expected. Any other background source?
- Any other observable besides the slope?
- More updated experimental results will be presented at QM19