

# Azimuthally Sensitive Pion Interferometry in Au+Au Collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=200\text{GeV}$

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# Why Interferometry?

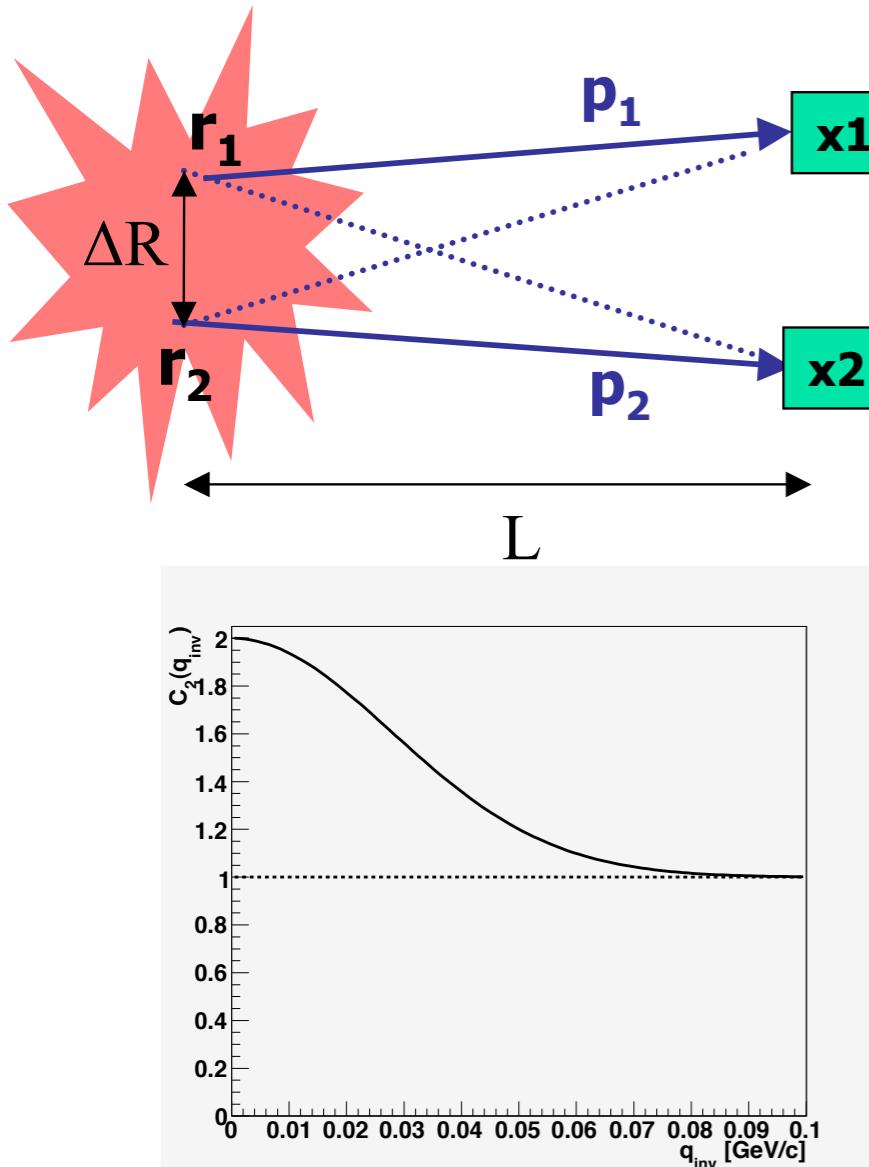
- Initial State Geometry of Heavy-Ion collisions is calculated from nuclear geometry. Nuclear overlap:  $N_{\text{part}}$ ,  $N_{\text{binary}}$ , Initial Volume, Eccentricity
- Experimentally, we measure particle momentum distributions.
- Theoretical models use these experimental measures to validate a description of the evolution from some initial state geometry to a final state momentum distribution.
- Femtoscopy measures space-time evolution of the system at kinetic freeze-out and further constrains these models.
- Describing the HBT source dimensions at freeze-out has been a challenge for full hydrodynamic calculations.

# HBT Introduction

Quantum Statistical Correlation

Hanbury-Brown,Twiss (1960)  
Golhaber,Goldhaber,Lee,Pais (1960)

Wave-Function of Identical Bosons must be symmetrized.



$$\psi_2(p_1, p_2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left\{ A(p_1, r_1) e^{ip_1(x_1 - r_1)} A(p_2, r_2) e^{ip_2(x_2 - r_2)} \right. \\ \left. \pm A(p_1, r_2) e^{ip_1(x_1 - r_2)} A(p_2, r_1) e^{ip_2(x_2 - r_1)} \right\}$$
$$P_2(p_1, p_2) = \int \rho(r_1) \rho(r_2) d^4 r_1 d^4 r_2 A^2(p_1, r_1) A^2(p_2, r_2) \\ \pm \left| \int \rho(r) d^4 r A(p_1, r) A(p_2, r) e^{-ir(p_1 - p_2)} \right|^2$$

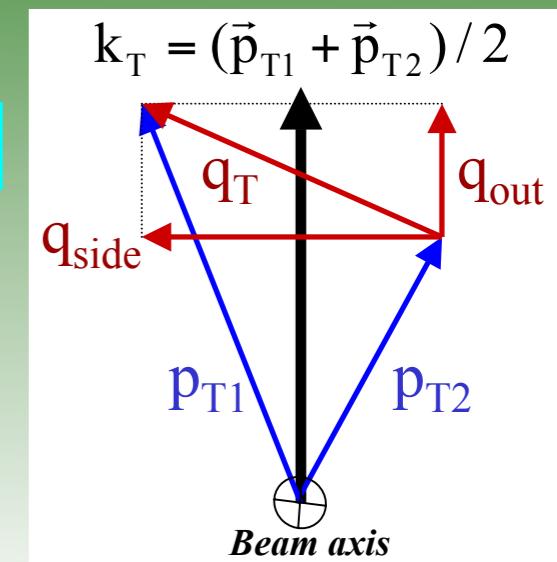
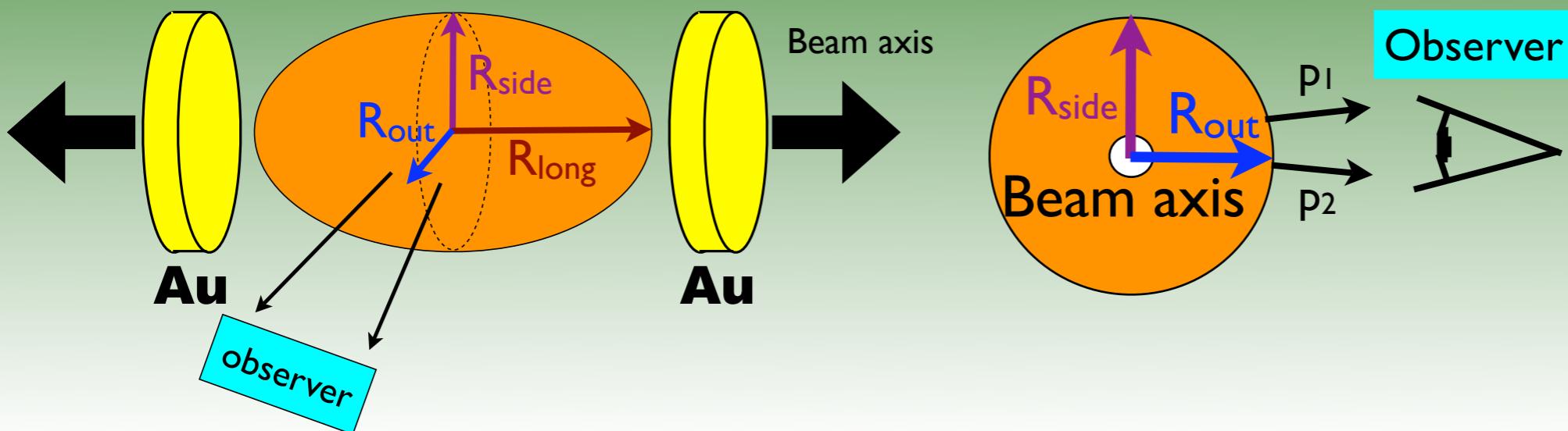
$$C_2(p_1, p_2) \equiv \frac{P_2(p_1, p_2)}{P(p_1)P(p_2)} = 1 + |\tilde{\rho}(q)|^2$$

$(q = p_1 - p_2)$

Enhancement of Pair Production at small relative momentum.

# HBT in Heavy-Ions

## Bertsch-Pratt parameterization



**Bowler-Sinyukov**

Phys. Lett. B270,69 (1991)

Phys. Lett. B432,249 (1998)

$$C_2(\vec{q}) = (1 - \lambda) - \lambda \exp \left[ -R_{side}^2 q_{side}^2 - R_{out}^2 q_{out}^2 - R_{long}^2 q_{long}^2 - R_{so}^2 q_{side} q_{out} \right] K_{Coul}(q_{inv})$$

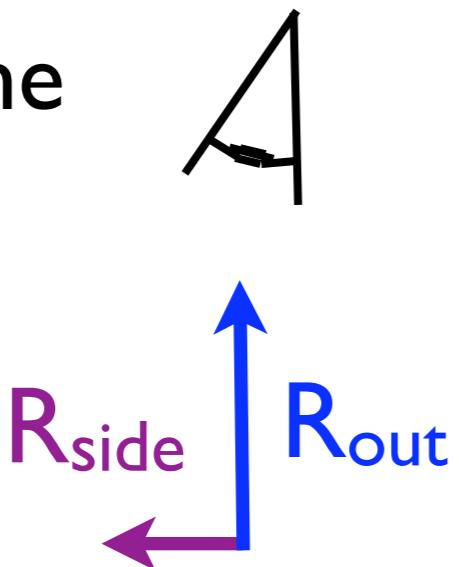
Fraction of Chaotic Emission

Coulomb Interaction

Halo of long lived resonances

# Azimuthal HBT

Out-of-Plane  
Observer  
 $\phi = 90^\circ$



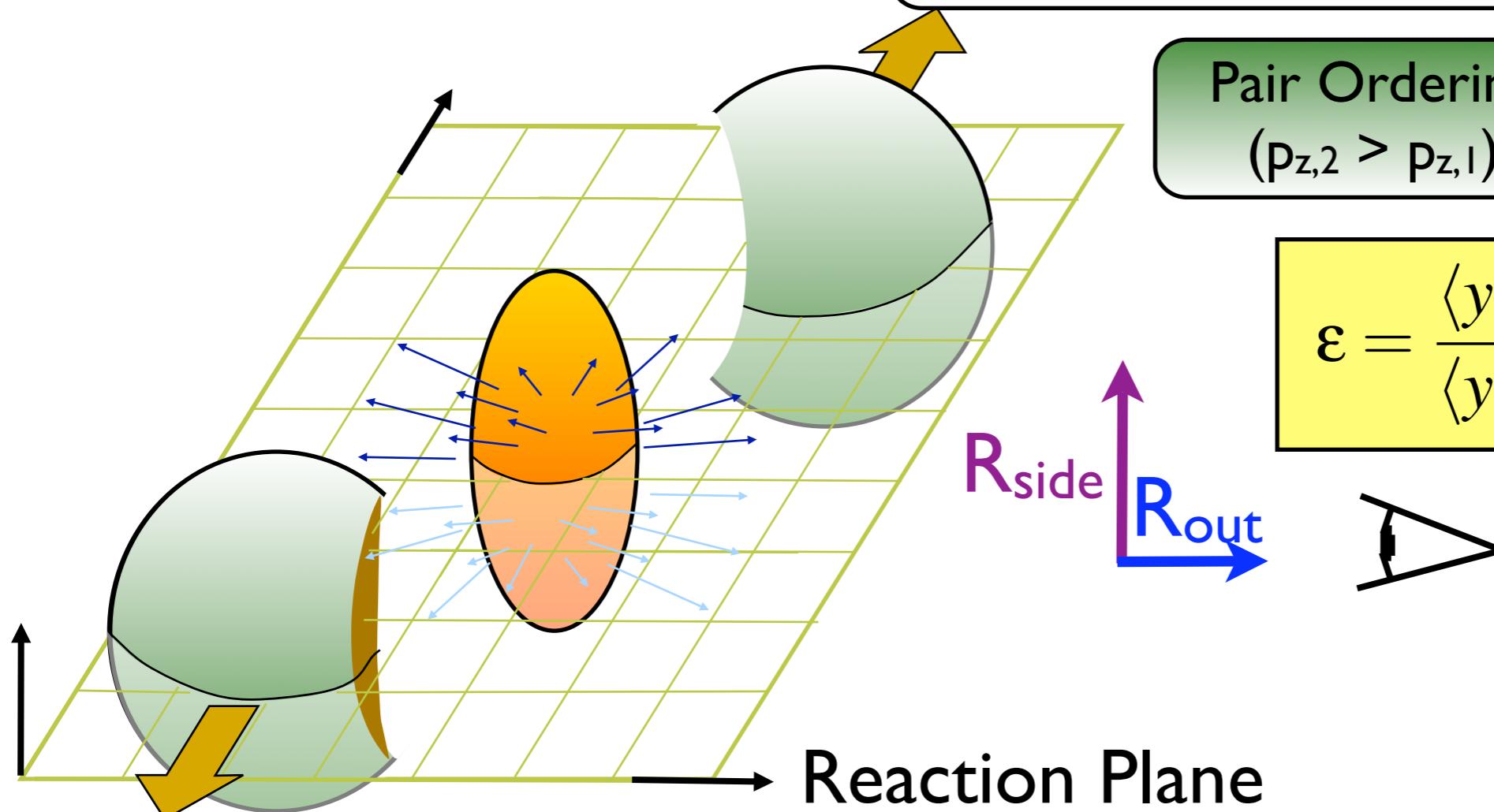
Heinz et al. PRC66,044903(2002)

$$R_\mu^2(\Phi) = R_{\mu,0}^2 + R_{\mu,n}^2 \cos(n\Phi) \quad \{\mu=s,o,l\}$$

$$R_{s,2}^2 > 0 \quad R_{o,2}^2 < 0$$

$$R_{so}^2(\Phi) = R_{so,0}^2 + R_{so,n}^2 \sin(n\Phi)$$

$$R_{os,2}=0 \quad R_{os,2}>0$$



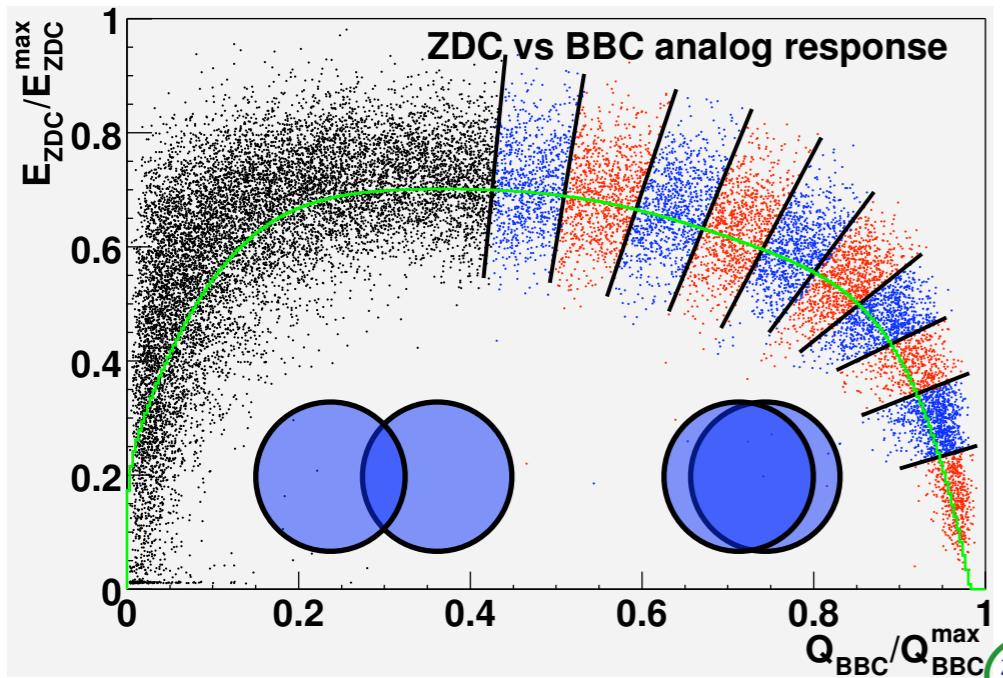
Pair Ordering  
( $p_{z,2} > p_{z,1}$ )

Pairs Boosted  
LCMS ( $p_{z,1} = -p_{z,2}$ )

$$\varepsilon = \frac{\langle y^2 \rangle - \langle x^2 \rangle}{\langle y^2 \rangle + \langle x^2 \rangle} \approx \frac{2R_{s,2}^2}{R_{s,0}^2}$$

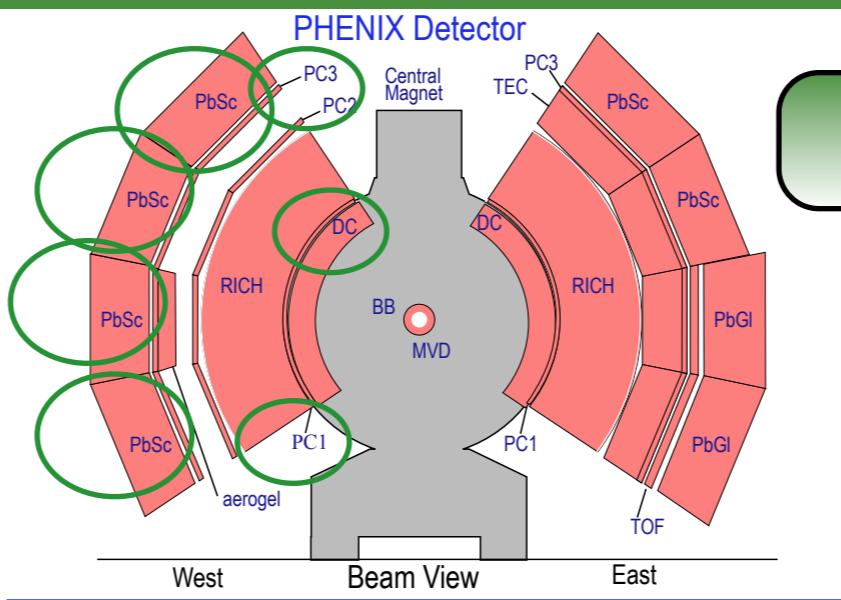
# PHENIX Detector

## BBC/ZDC Centrality

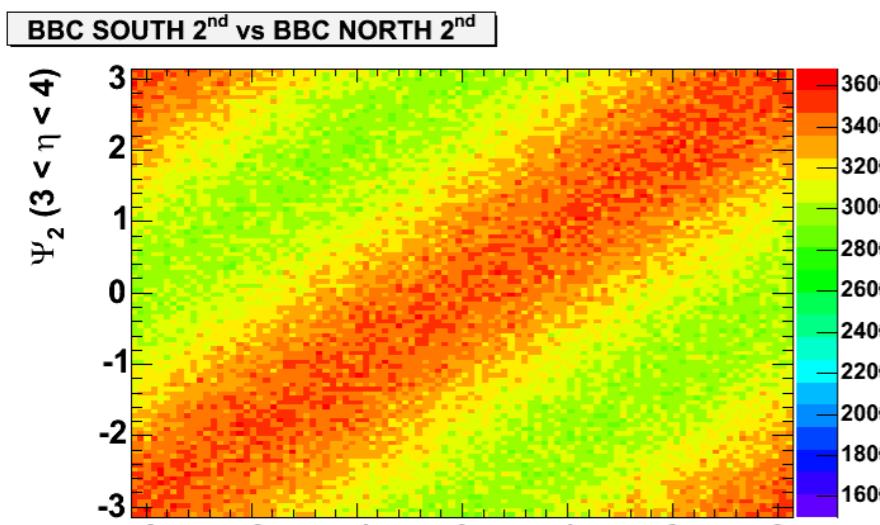


## DC/PC Track-Mom Reco

$\delta p/p \sim 1\%$   
Path Length

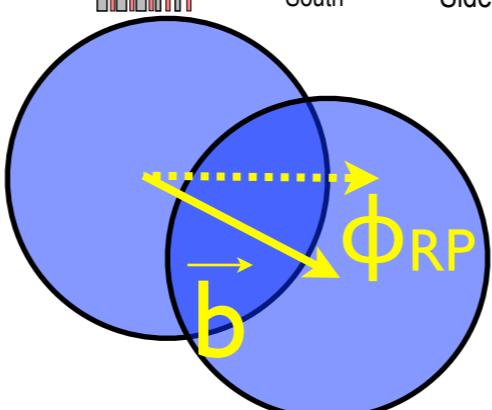
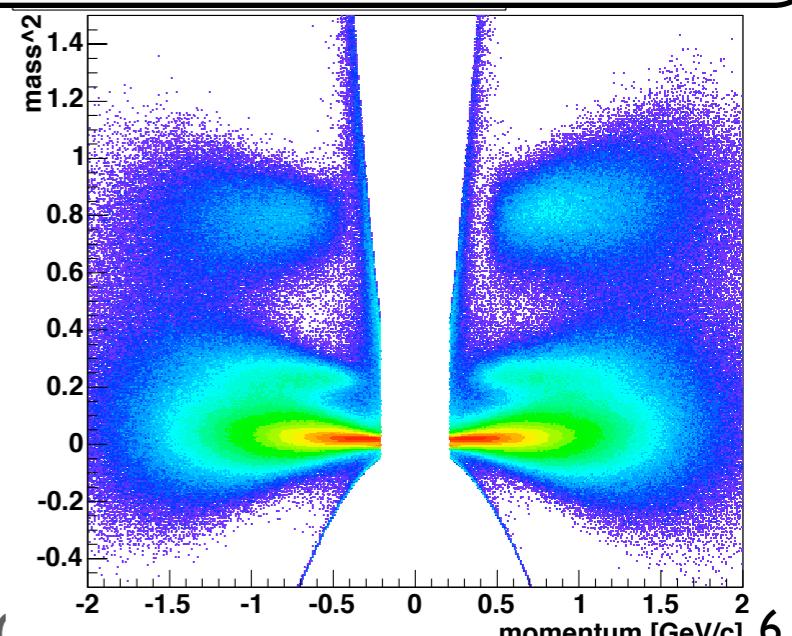


## BBC Reaction Plane



$$\tan 2\Phi_{RP} = \frac{\sum n_{ch} \sin 2\phi_{PMT}}{\sum n_{ch} \cos 2\phi_{PMT}}$$

## EMC Particle Identification



# Analysis Overview

~500M Minimum Bias Au+Au  $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=200\text{GeV}$

## Tracks Selection:

Good track quality, detector matching

Pion Identification  $2\sigma$

Kaon Rejection  $2\sigma$

Pair Selection: Exclude track pairs within inefficient regions of Drift Chamber and EMCal

## Two-Particle Like-Sign Pion Correlation

$$C_2(\vec{q}, \phi_{pair}) = \frac{A(\vec{q}, \phi_{pair})}{M(\vec{q}, \phi_{pair})}$$

Actual Pairs  
Event Mixing

## Reaction Plane Correction Applied to A & M

Heinz et al. PRC66,044903(2002)

Fit the  $C_2$  of 4 Centralities for 8 Azimuthal bins.

Singles Cuts	Cut
Track Quality	31    63
PC3 Matching	$3\sigma$
EMC Matching	$2\sigma$
EMC ToF	< 60 ns
PID	$n\text{Pion} < 2\sigma$ $n\text{Kaon} > 2\sigma$
EMC West	

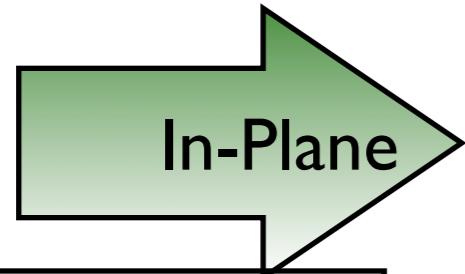
Two-Track Cuts	Cut
Distance EMC	> 16 cm
DC dPhi Cut ( $dz < 6\text{cm}$ )	0.06 rad
DC dPhi Cut ( $dz > 6\text{ cm}$ )	0.03 rad
Ghosting	( $-1\text{ cm} < dz < 0$ ) && $d\phi < 0.04$

Event Mixing	
ZVtx	60 bins (-30, 30)
Centrality	10% (10-20%)
Reaction Plane	30 bins

Centrality	Pairs ( $q_{inv} < 50\text{ MeV}$ )
10 - 20 %	47M
20 - 30 %	24 M
30 - 40 %	12M
40 - 60 %	5.4M

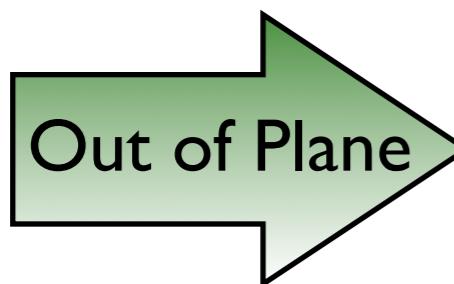
Centrality	$\sqrt{2\langle \cos 2(\phi_N - \phi_S) \rangle}$
10-20 %	0.37
20-30 %	0.41
30-40 %	0.38
40-60 %	0.29

# 3D Correlations

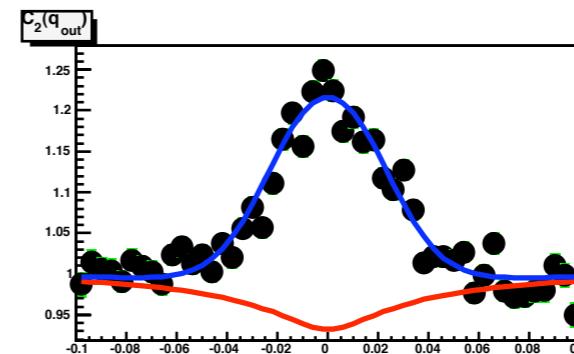
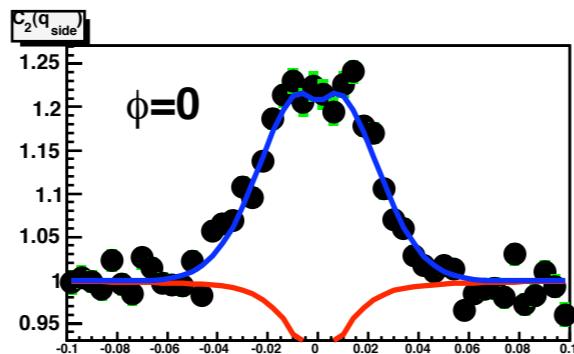


30-40% Central  
 $\pi^+\pi^++\pi^-\pi^-$

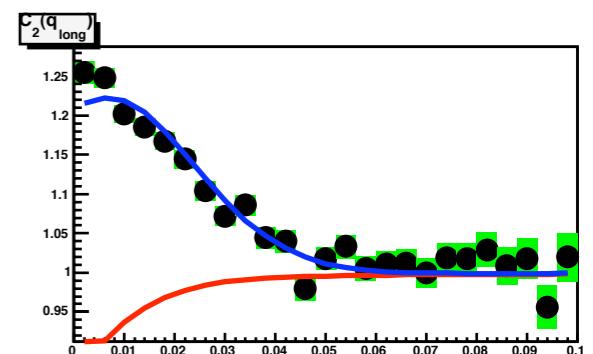
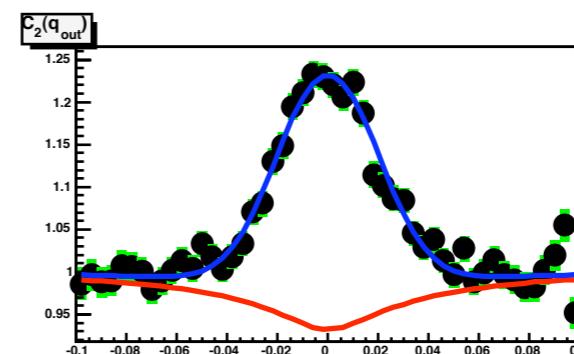
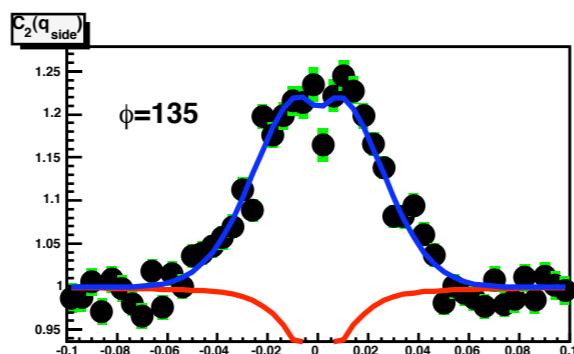
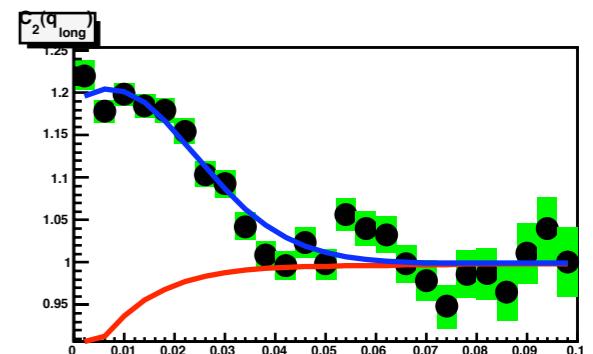
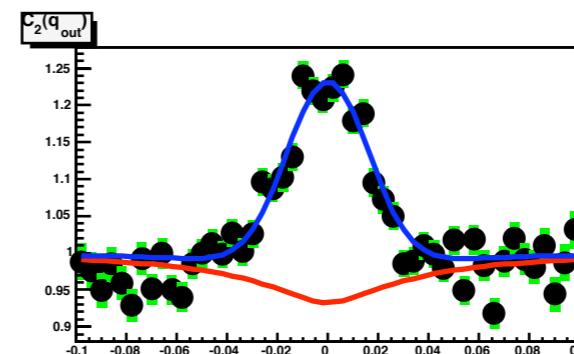
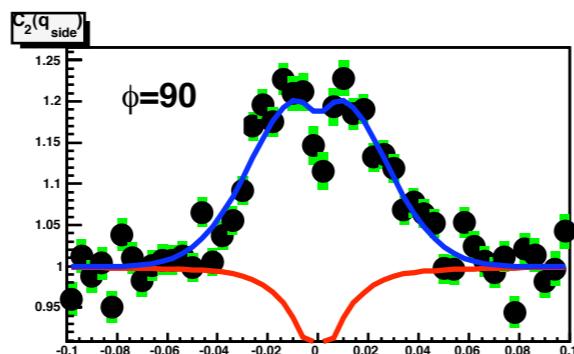
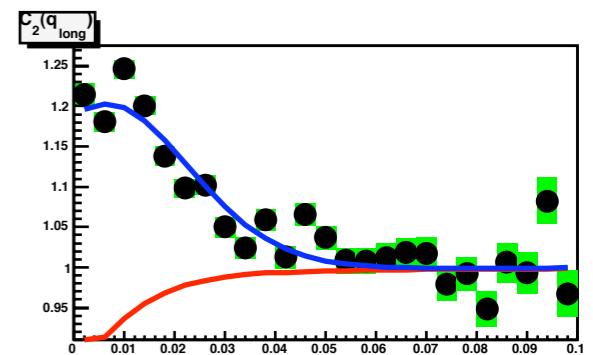
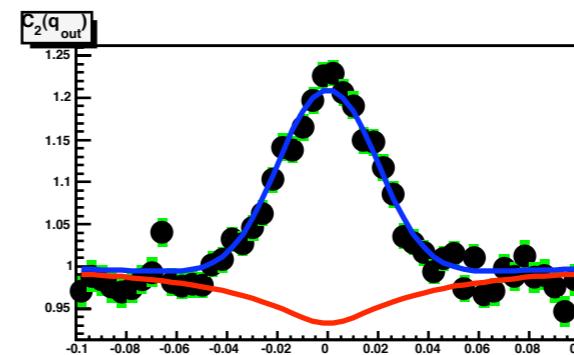
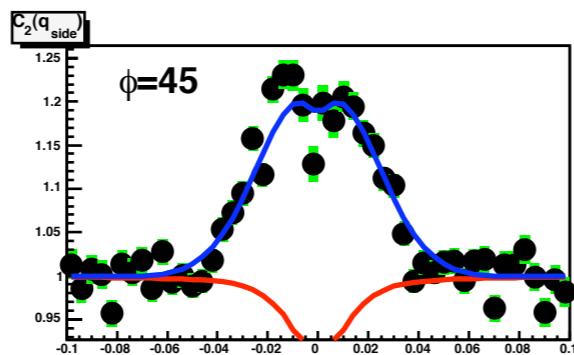
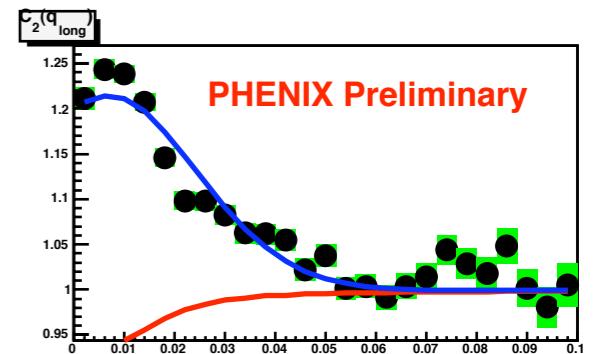
- Correlation
- Sinyukov Fit
- Coulomb Weights



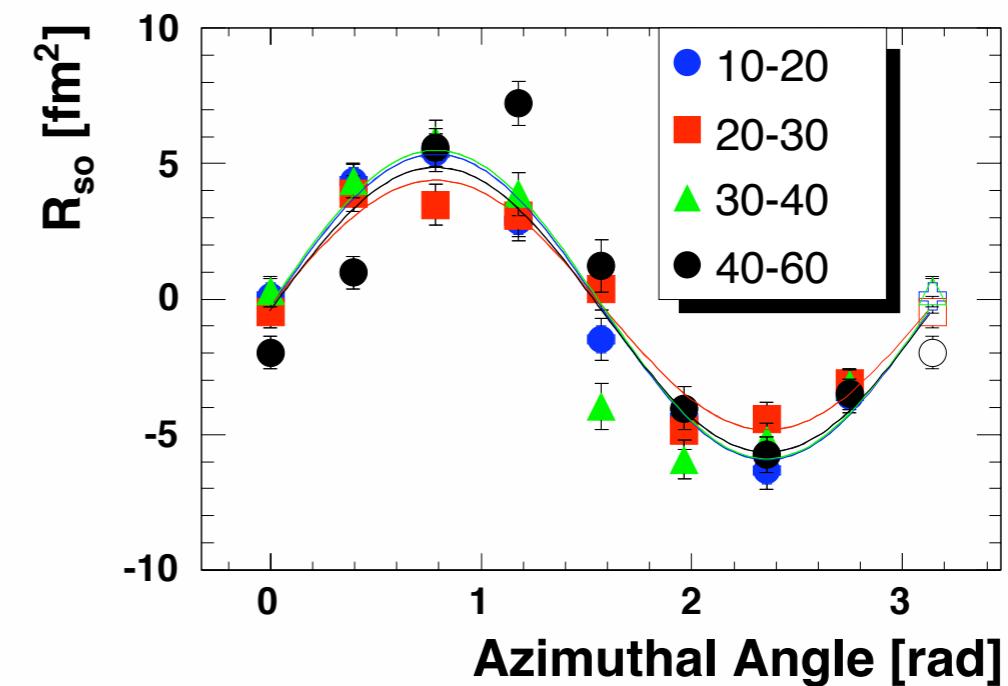
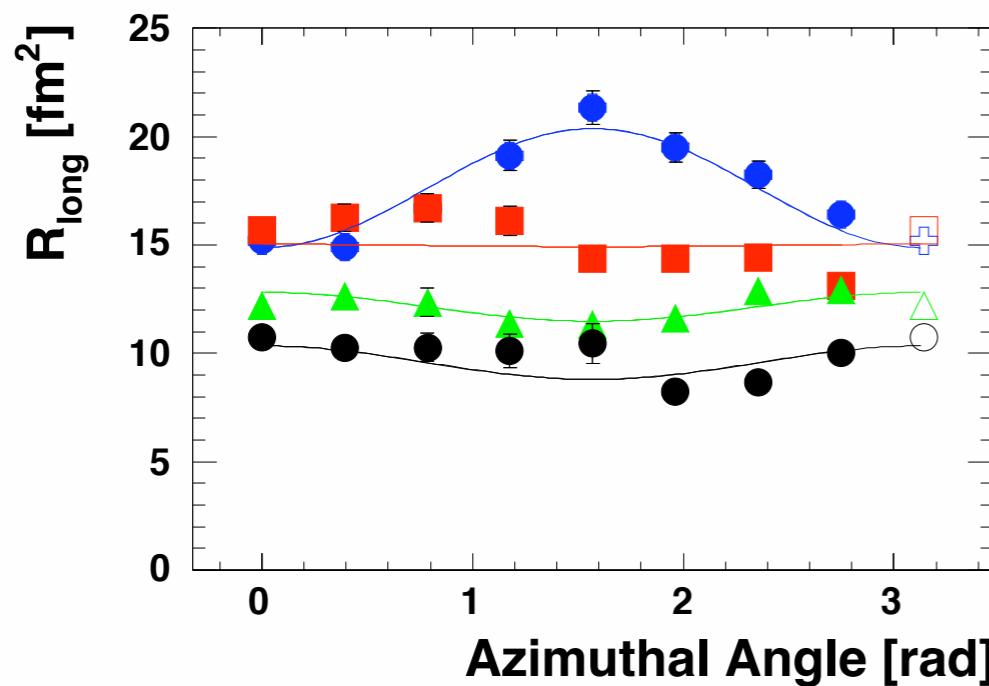
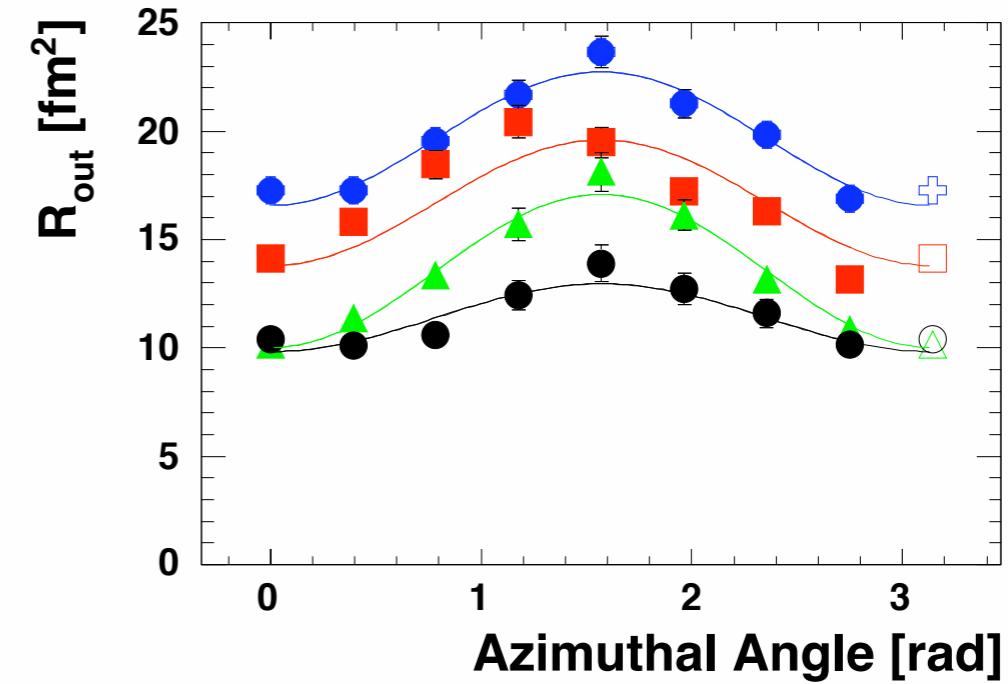
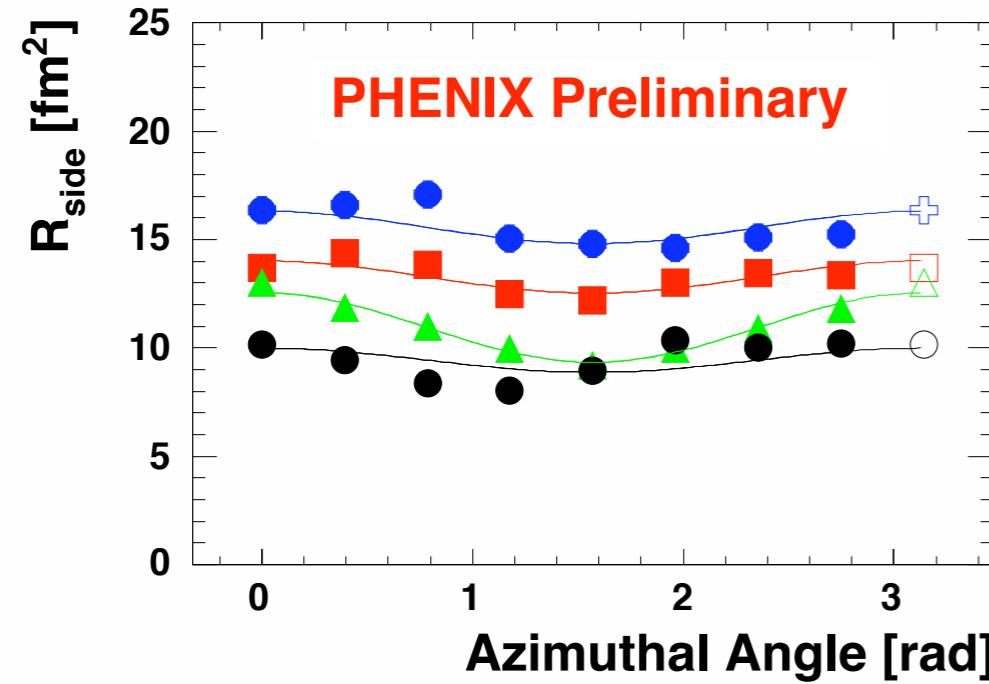
$C_2(q_{\text{side}})$   $q_{\text{other}} < 20 \text{ MeV}$   $C_2(q_{\text{out}})$



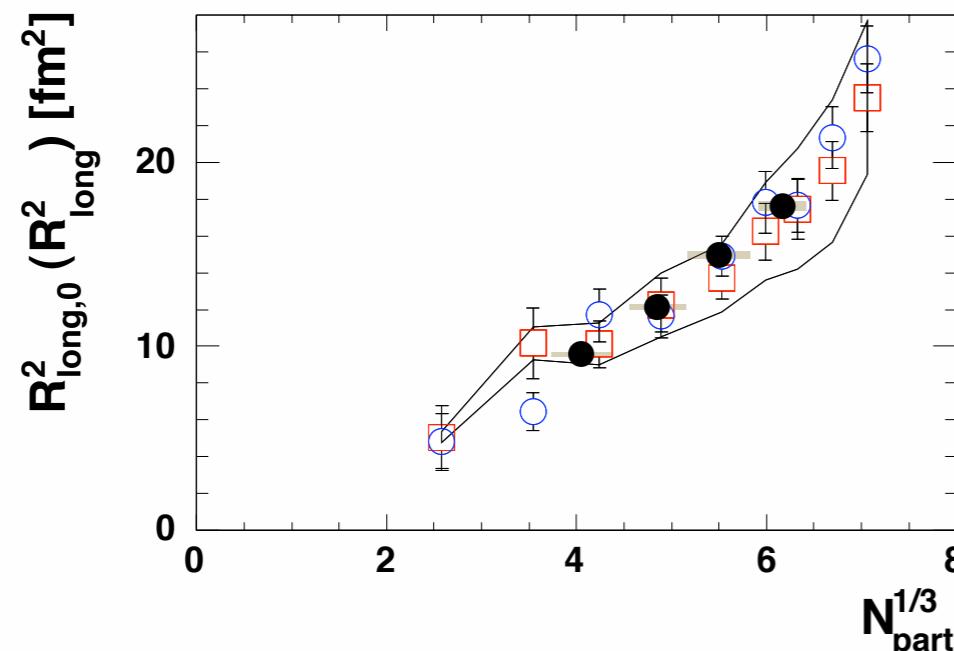
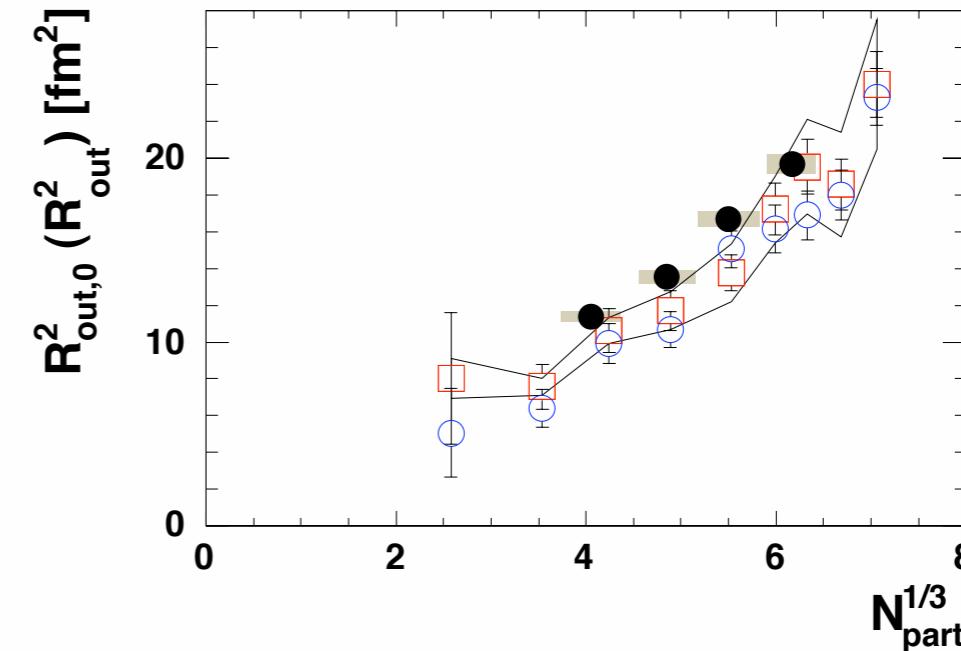
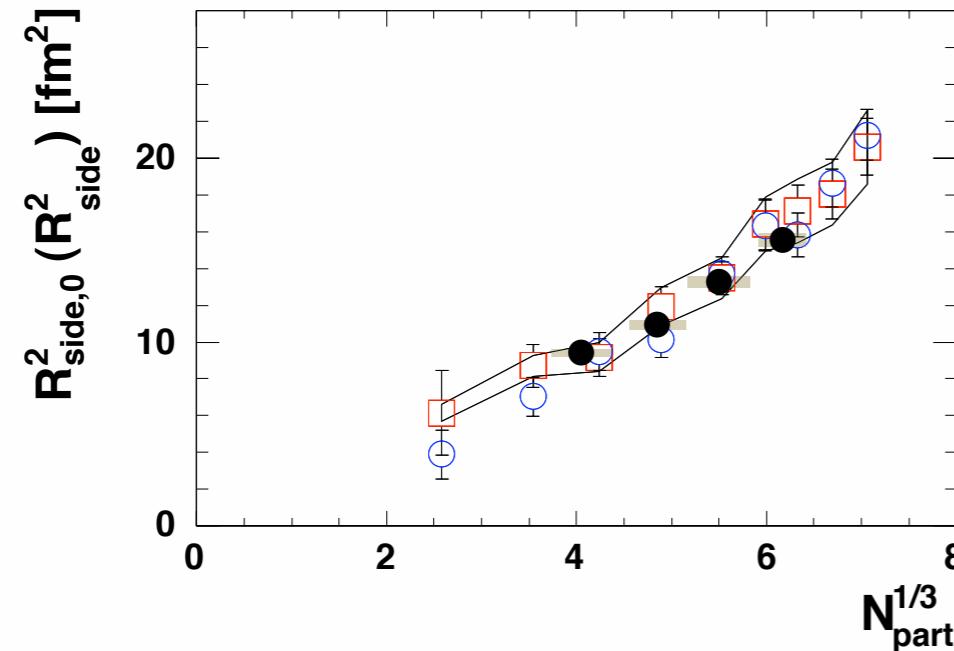
$C_2(q_{\text{long}})$



# Azimuthal Dependence



# Traditional HBT Comparison

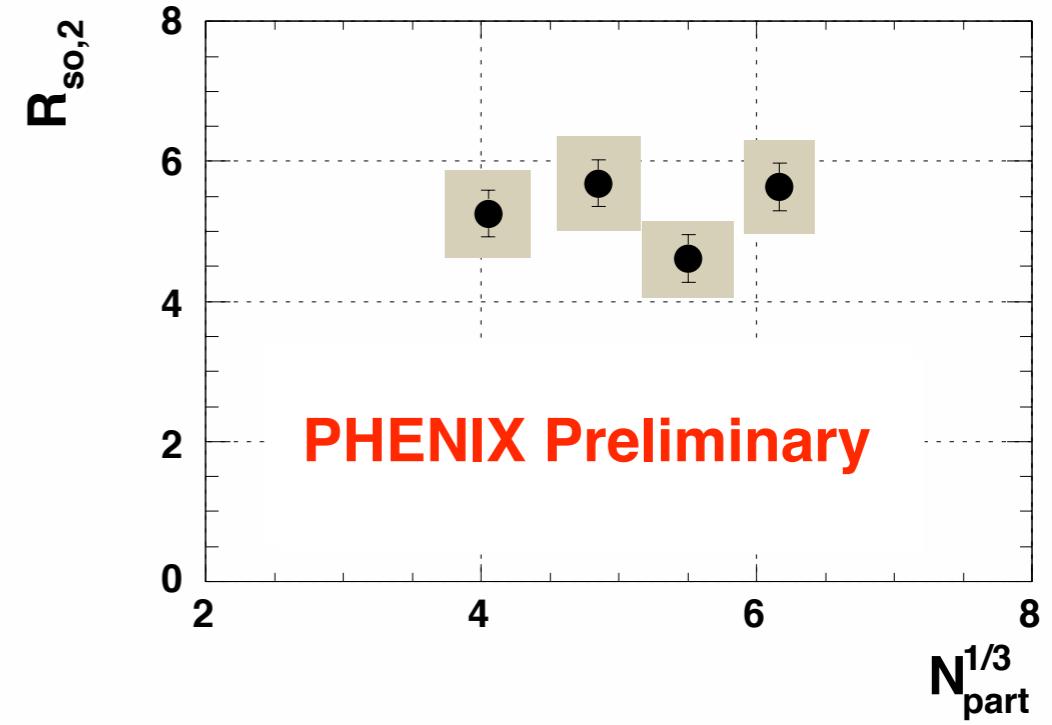
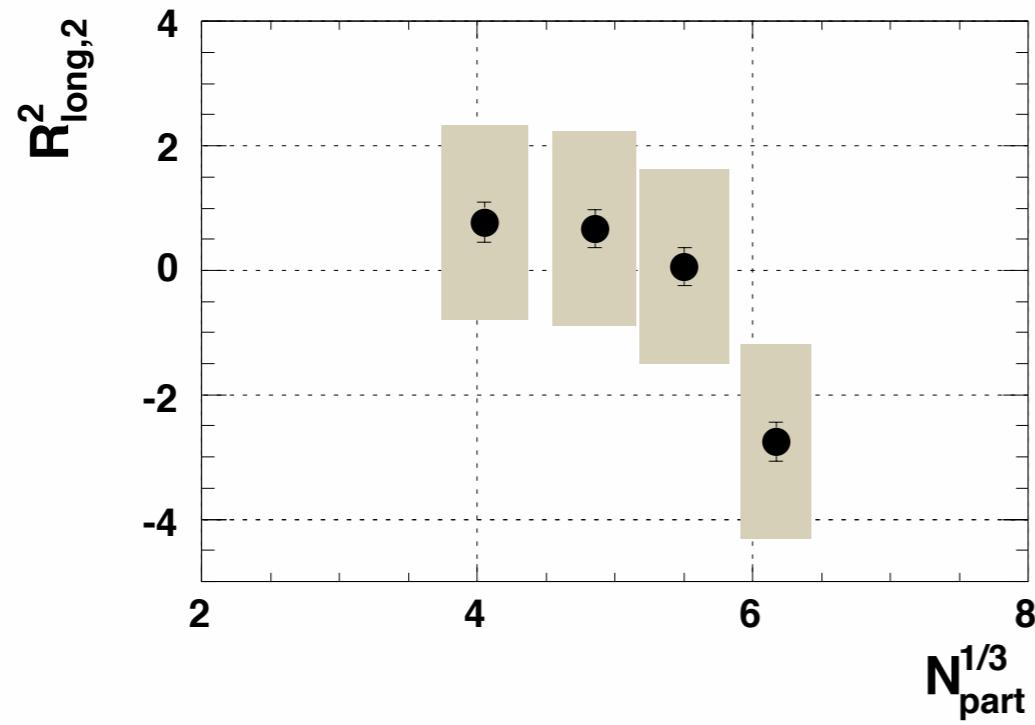
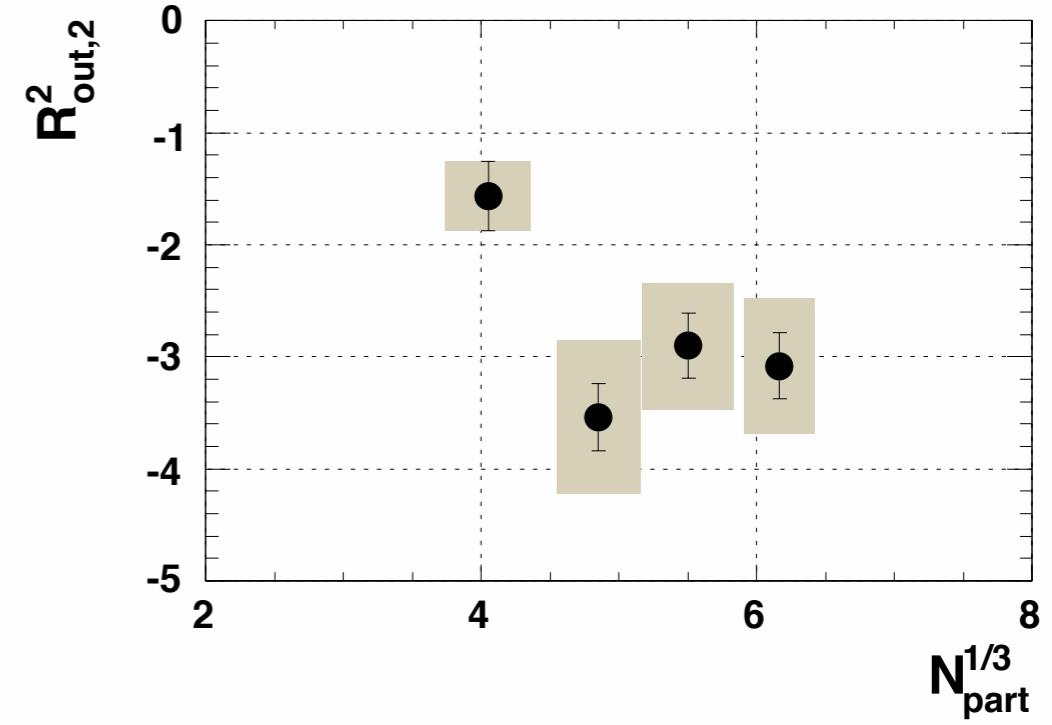
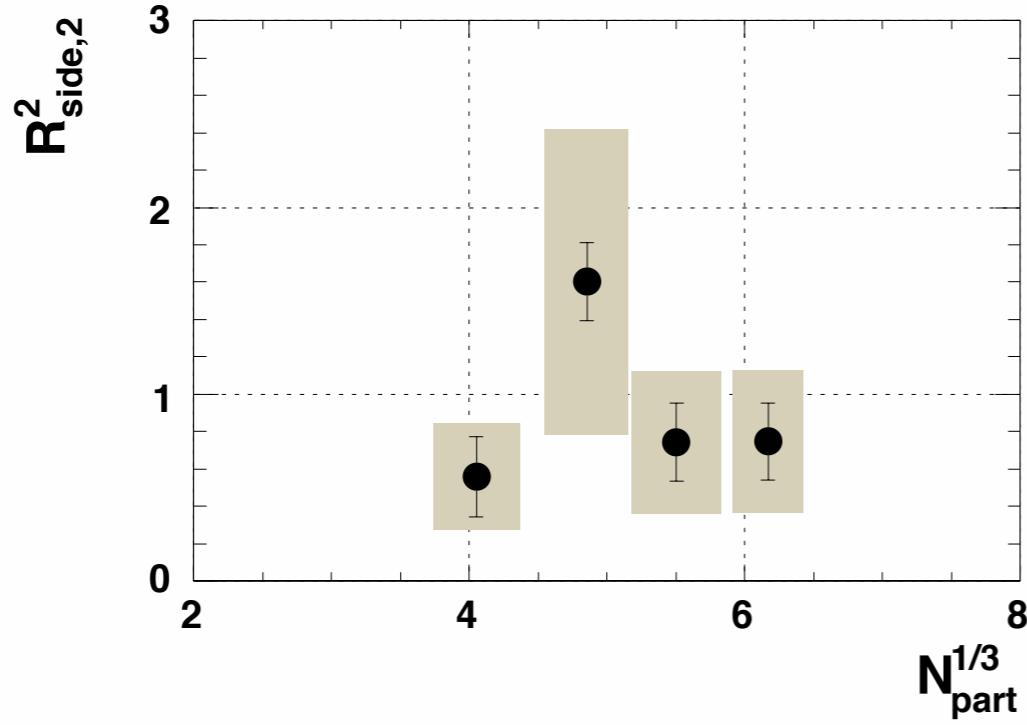


PHENIX Preliminary

- $\pi^+\pi^+$  Au+Au 200 GeV (Run2)
- $\pi^-\pi^-$  Au+Au 200 GeV (Run2)
- $\pi^+\pi^+ + \pi^-\pi^-$  Au+Au 200 GeV (Run4)

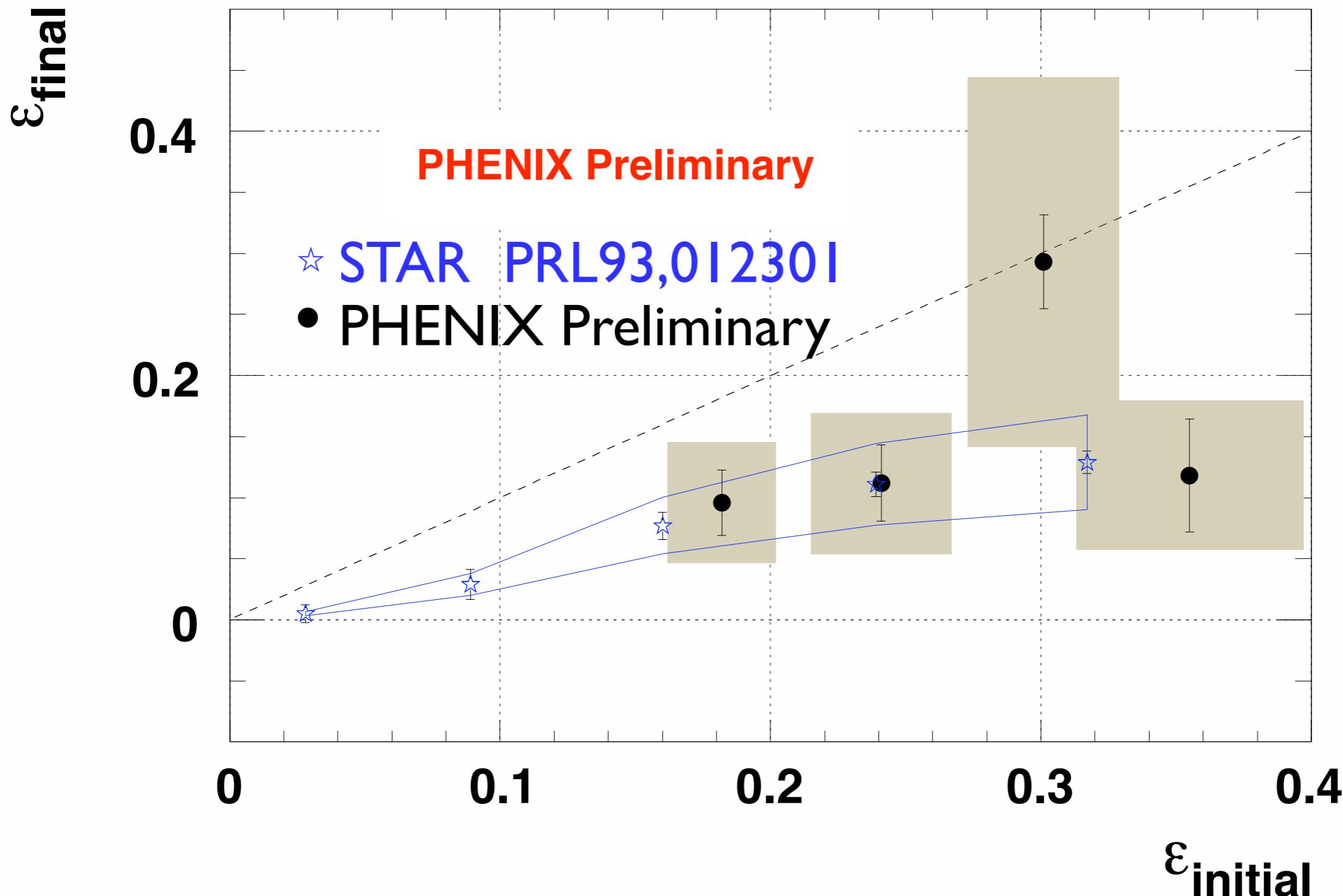
Quantitative agreement with Run2 traditional HBT results.

# Azimuthal Oscillations in Radii



# Eccentricity Final State vs Initial

$$\epsilon \approx 2R_{s,2}/R_{s,0}$$



# Summary and Conclusions

- PHENIX has measured azimuthal dependence of HBT Radii of the Pion emitting source in Au+Au collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV
  - We observe expected even oscillations in  $R_{\text{side}}$  and  $R_{\text{out}}$
  - We observe expected odd oscillations in  $R_{\text{so}}$ .
  - We also observe even oscillations in  $R_{\text{long}}$ . T. Hirano (NPA743('04)305)
  - Eccentricity measurements are consistent with STAR result.
- Quantitative comparisons with models will require reduced statistical and systematic errors
  - 2 x more statistics to be analyzed.
  - Better understanding of Two-Track efficiencies will reduce systematic errors.
  - Explore  $k_T$  dependence.

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