

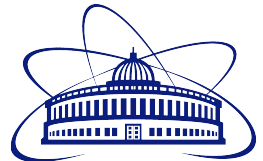
# Performance studies towards flow measurements in BM@N

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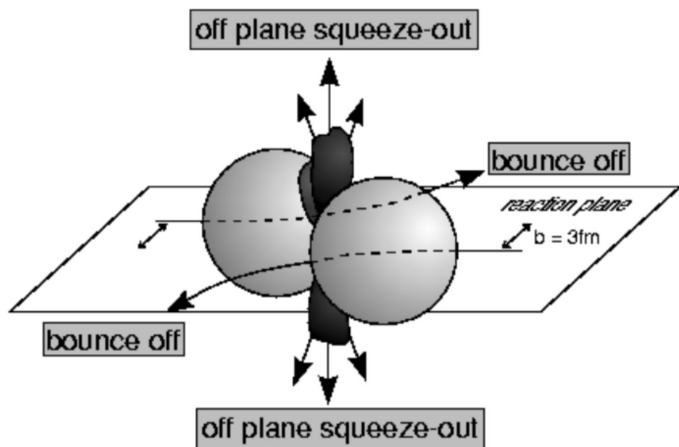
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# Anisotropic flow & spectators



The azimuthal angle distribution is decomposed in a Fourier series relative to reaction plane angle:

$$\rho(\varphi - \Psi_{RP}) = \frac{1}{2\pi} (1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} v_n \cos n(\varphi - \Psi_{RP}))$$

Anisotropic flow:

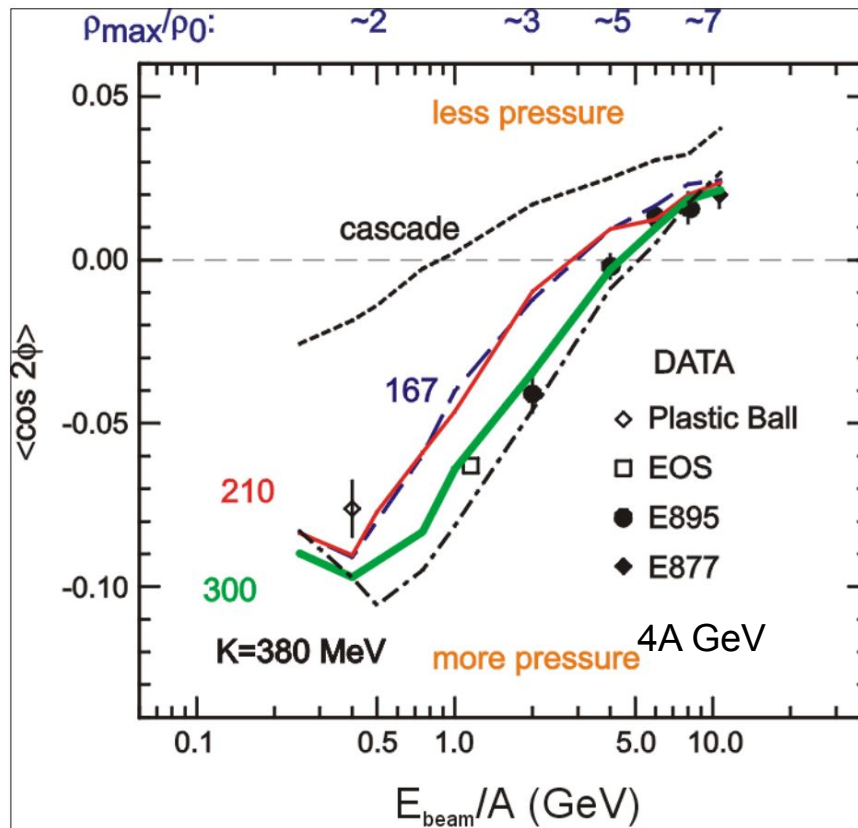
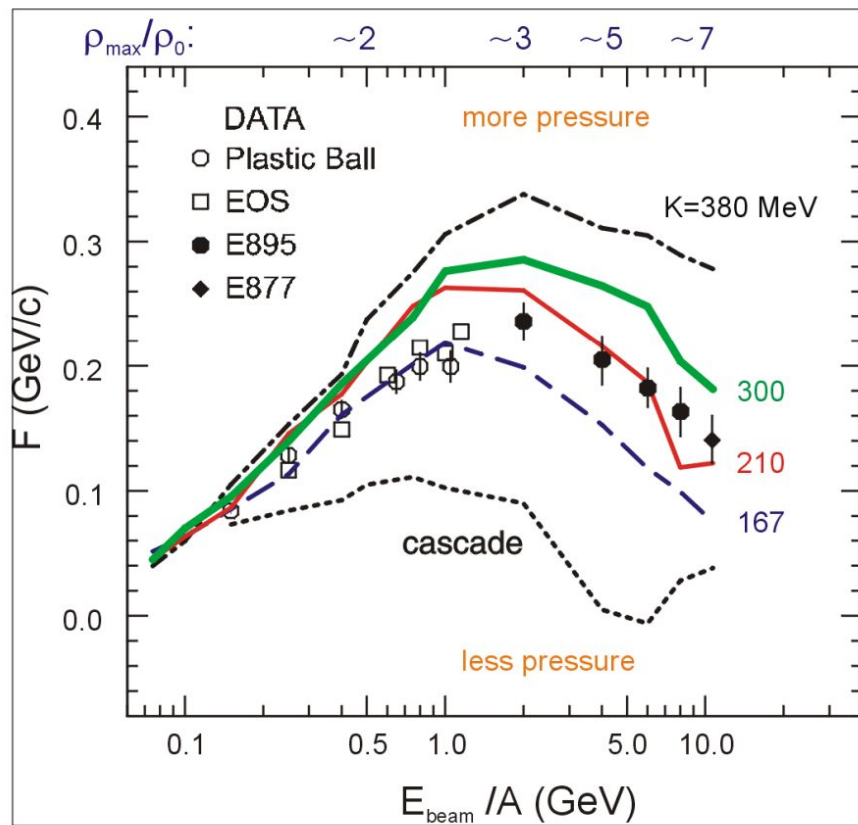
$$v_n = \langle \cos [n(\varphi - \Psi_{RP})] \rangle$$

Anisotropic flow is sensitive to:

- Time of the interaction between overlap region and spectators
- Compressibility of the created matter

# $v_n$ as a function of collision energy

P. DANIELEWICZ, R. LACEY, W. LYNCH  
[10.1126/science.1078070](https://doi.org/10.1126/science.1078070)

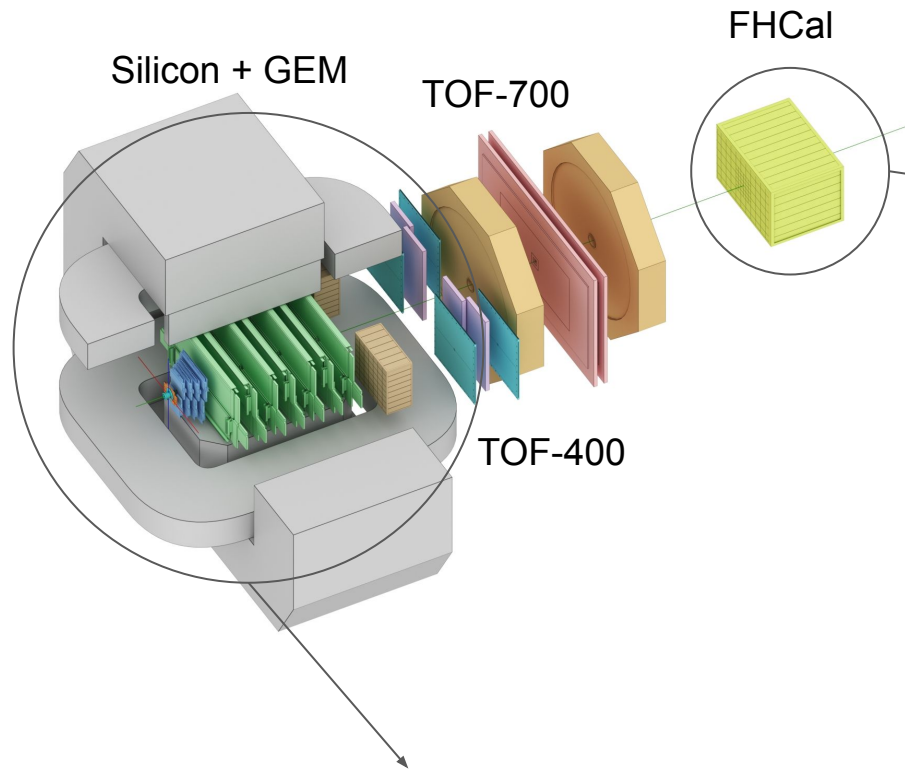


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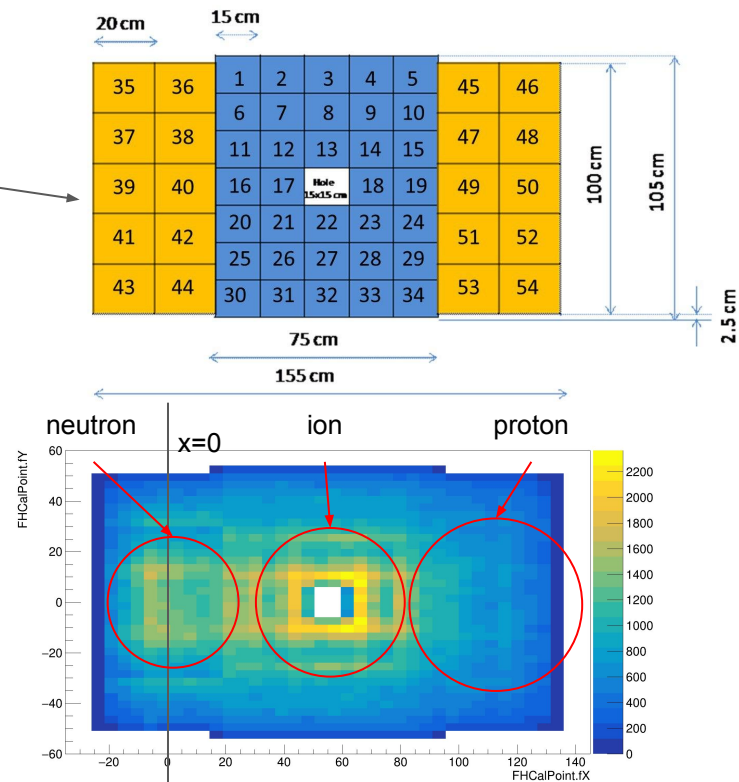
- Xe+Cs nuclei collisions
- DCMQGSM-SMM model (realistic yields of spectator fragments)
- JAM model (realistic flow signal)
- Geant4 transport code (important for simulation of hadronic showers in the forward calorimeter)

	2A GeV	3A GeV	4A GeV
DCMQGSM-SMM	6M	6M	2M
JAM MD3	3M	3M	5M

# The BM@N experiment (JINR, Dubna)



Produced particles trajectories are reconstructed using the tracking system inside the dipole magnet



Symmetry plane estimation with the azimuthal asymmetry of projectile spector energy

# Flow vectors

From momentum of each measured particle define a  $u_n$ -vector in transverse plane:

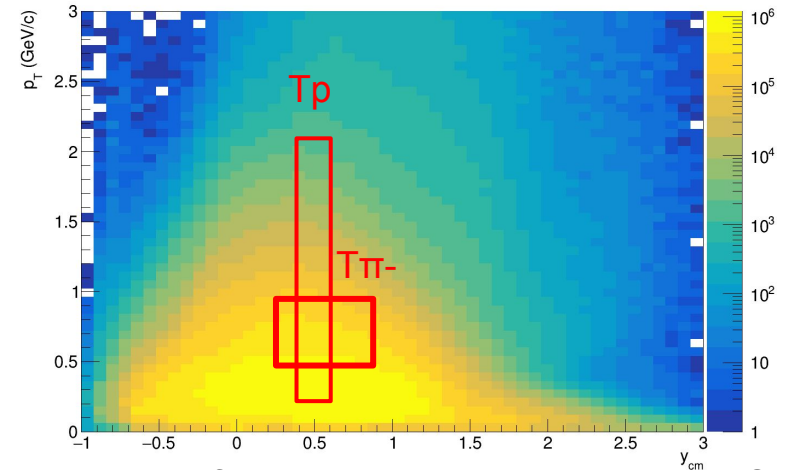
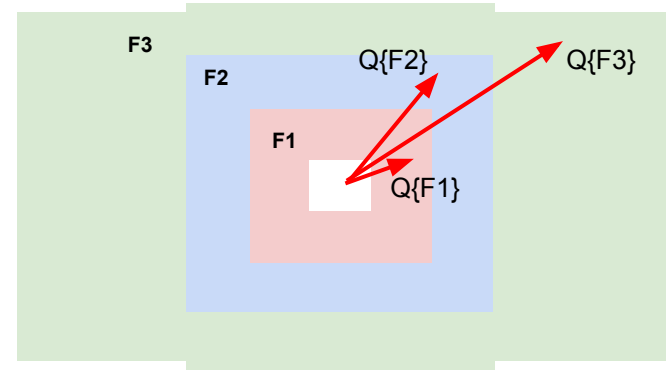
$$u_n = e^{in\phi}$$

where  $\phi$  is the azimuthal angle

Sum over a group of  $u_n$ -vectors in one event forms  $Q_n$ -vector:

$$Q_n = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^N w_n^k u_n^k}{\sum_{k=1}^N w_n^k} = |Q_n| e^{in\Psi_n^{EP}}$$

$\Psi_n^{EP}$  is the event plane angle



**Additional subevents from tracks not pointing at FHCAL:**

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# Flow methods for $v_n$ calculation

Scalar product (SP) method:

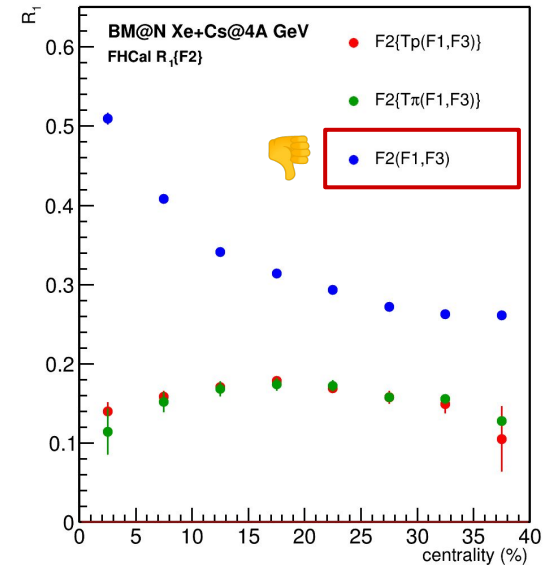
$$v_1 = \frac{\langle u_1 Q_1^{F1} \rangle}{R_1^{F1}} \quad v_2 = \frac{\langle u_2 Q_1^{F1} Q_1^{F3} \rangle}{R_1^{F1} R_1^{F3}}$$

Where  $R_1$  is the resolution correction factor

$$R_1^{F1} = \langle \cos(\Psi_1^{F1} - \Psi_1^{RP}) \rangle$$

Symbol “F2(F1,F3)” means  $R_1$  calculated via (3S resolution):

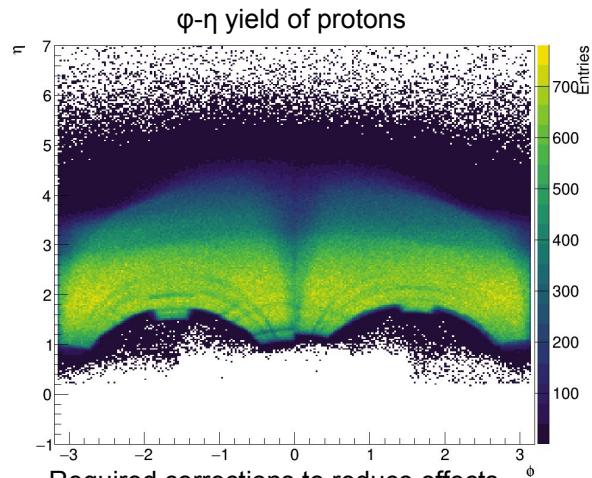
$$R_1^{F2(F1,F3)} = \frac{\sqrt{\langle Q_1^{F2} Q_1^{F1} \rangle \langle Q_1^{F2} Q_1^{F3} \rangle}}{\sqrt{\langle Q_1^{F1} Q_1^{F3} \rangle}}$$



Symbol “F2{Tp}(F1,F3)” means  $R_1$  calculated via (4S resolution):

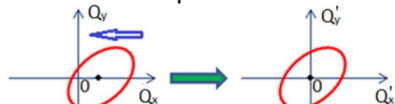
$$R_1^{F2\{Tp\}(F1,F3)} = \langle Q_1^{F2} Q_1^{Tp} \rangle \frac{\sqrt{\langle Q_1^{F1} Q_1^{F3} \rangle}}{\sqrt{\langle Q_1^{Tp} Q_1^{F1} \rangle \langle Q_1^{Tp} Q_1^{F3} \rangle}}$$

# Azimuthal asymmetry of the BM@N acceptance

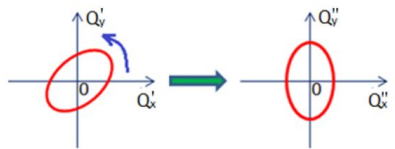


Required corrections to reduce effects of non-uniform azimuthal acceptance

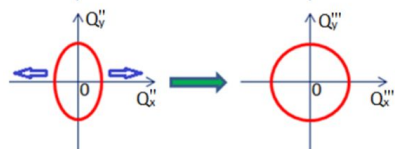
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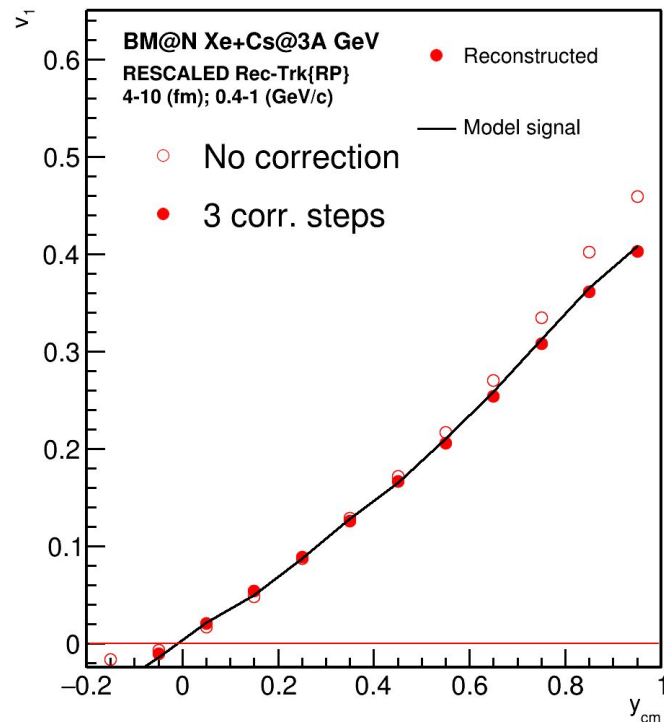


3. Rescaling



Corrections are based on method in:

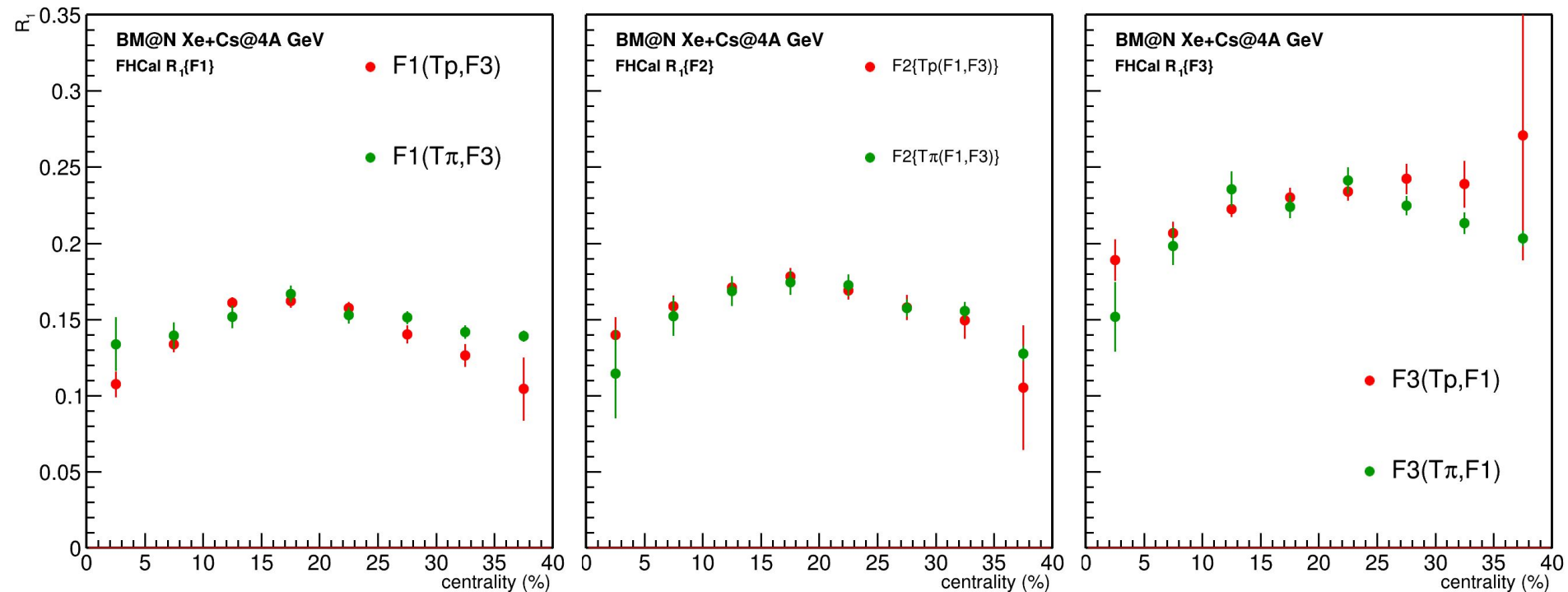
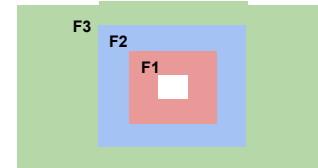
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Better agreement after rescaling

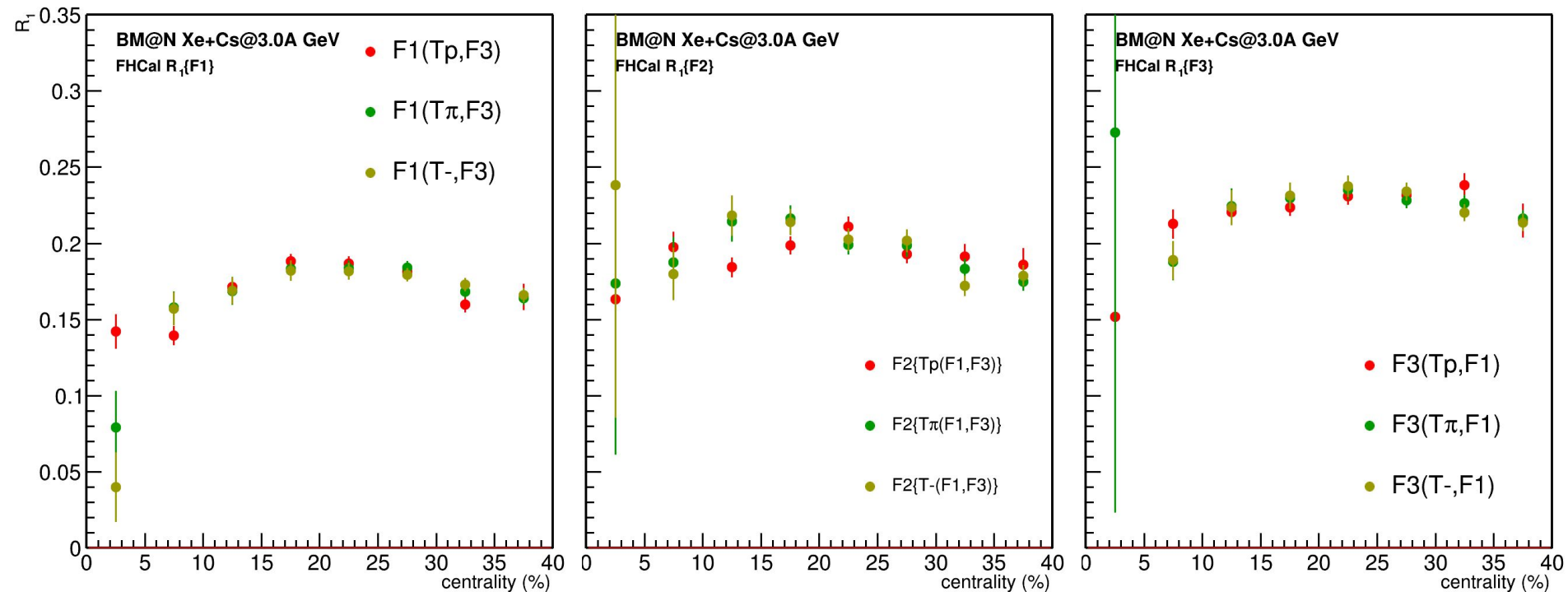
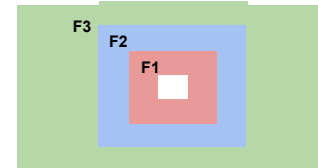


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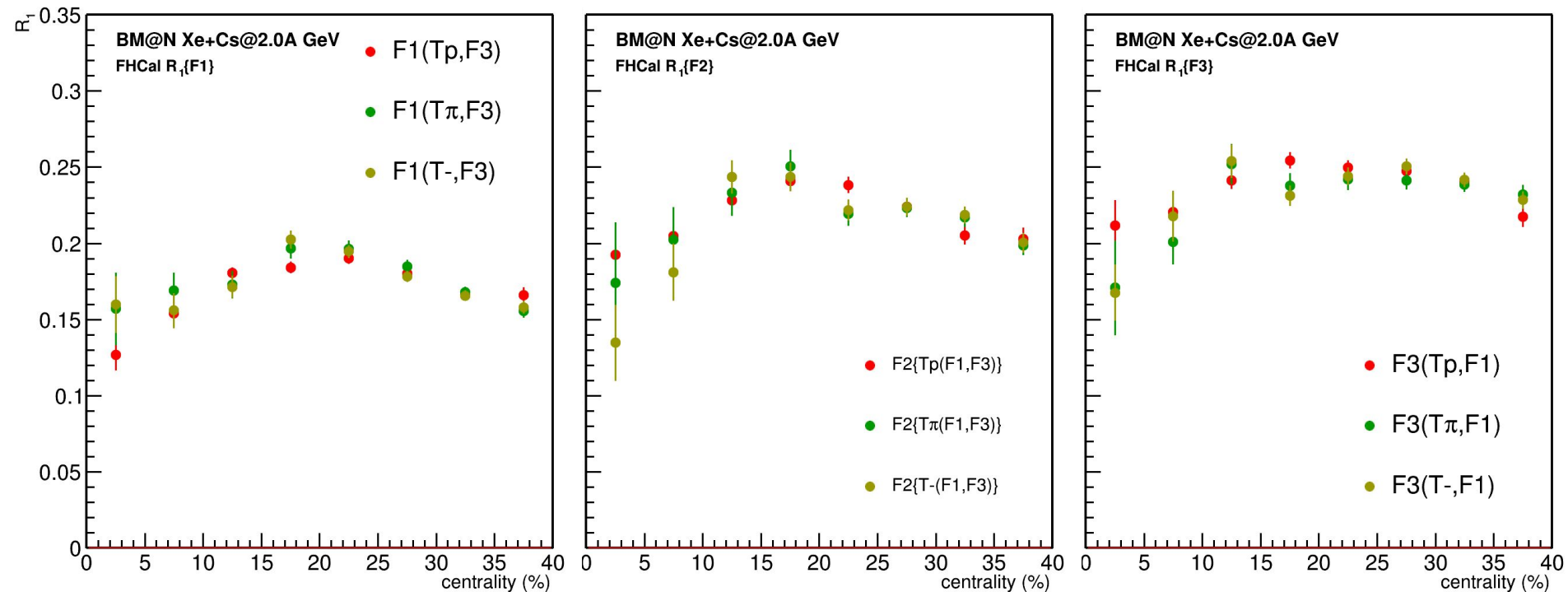
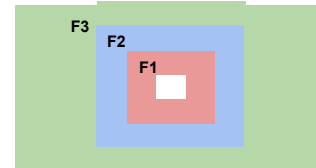
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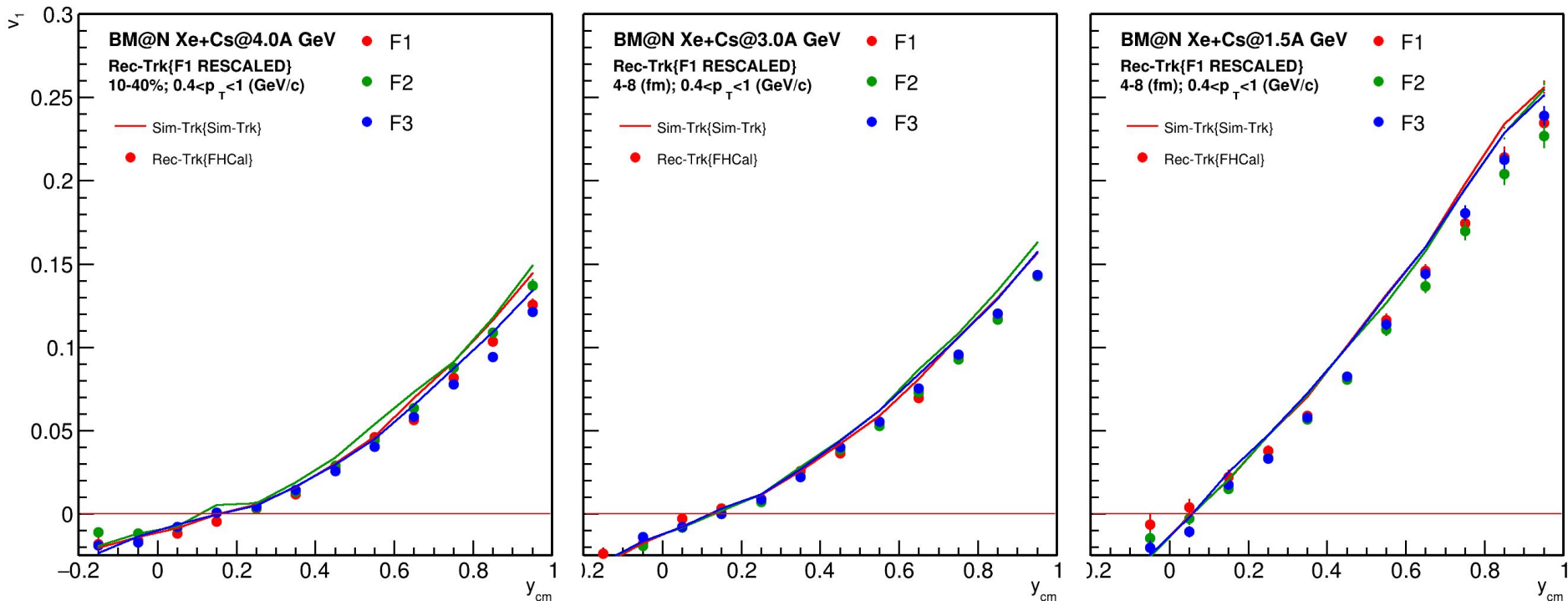
We can use unidentified negatively charged tracks as well for resolution calculation

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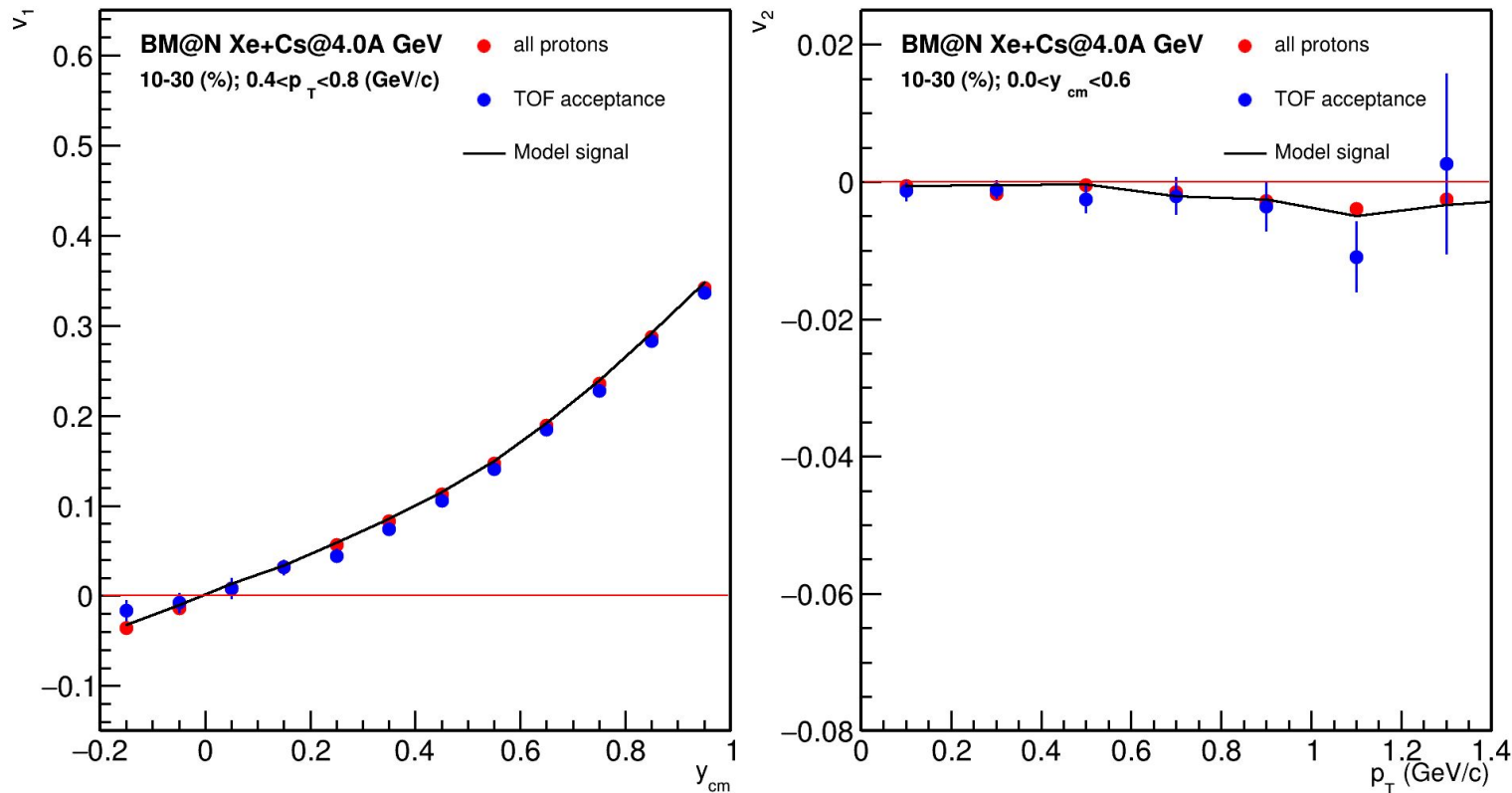
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# $v_1$ : DCMQGCM-SMM Xe+Cs



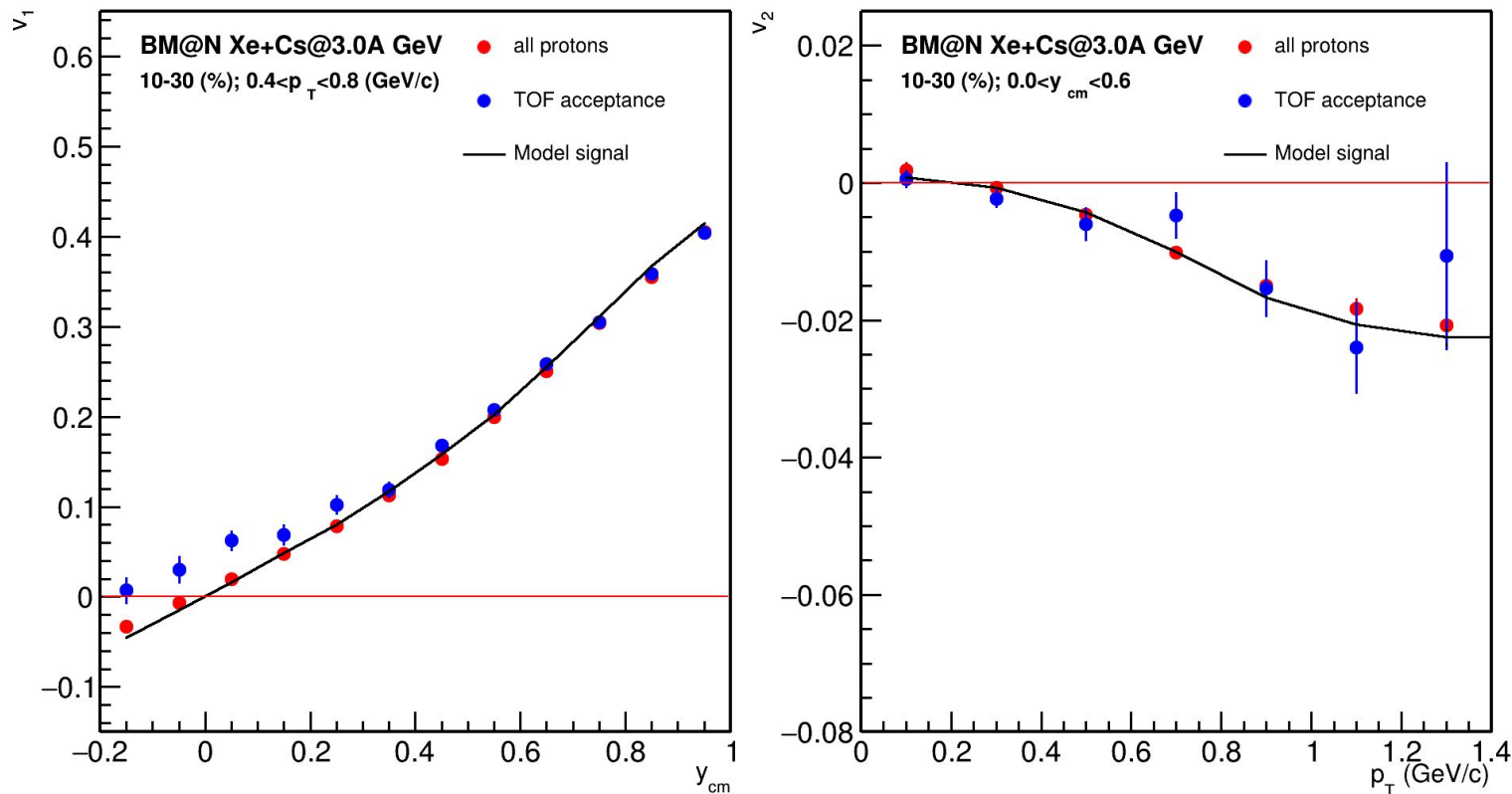
Reasonable agreement between model and reconstructed data

# Directed and elliptic flow in Xe+Cs@4A GeV (JAM)



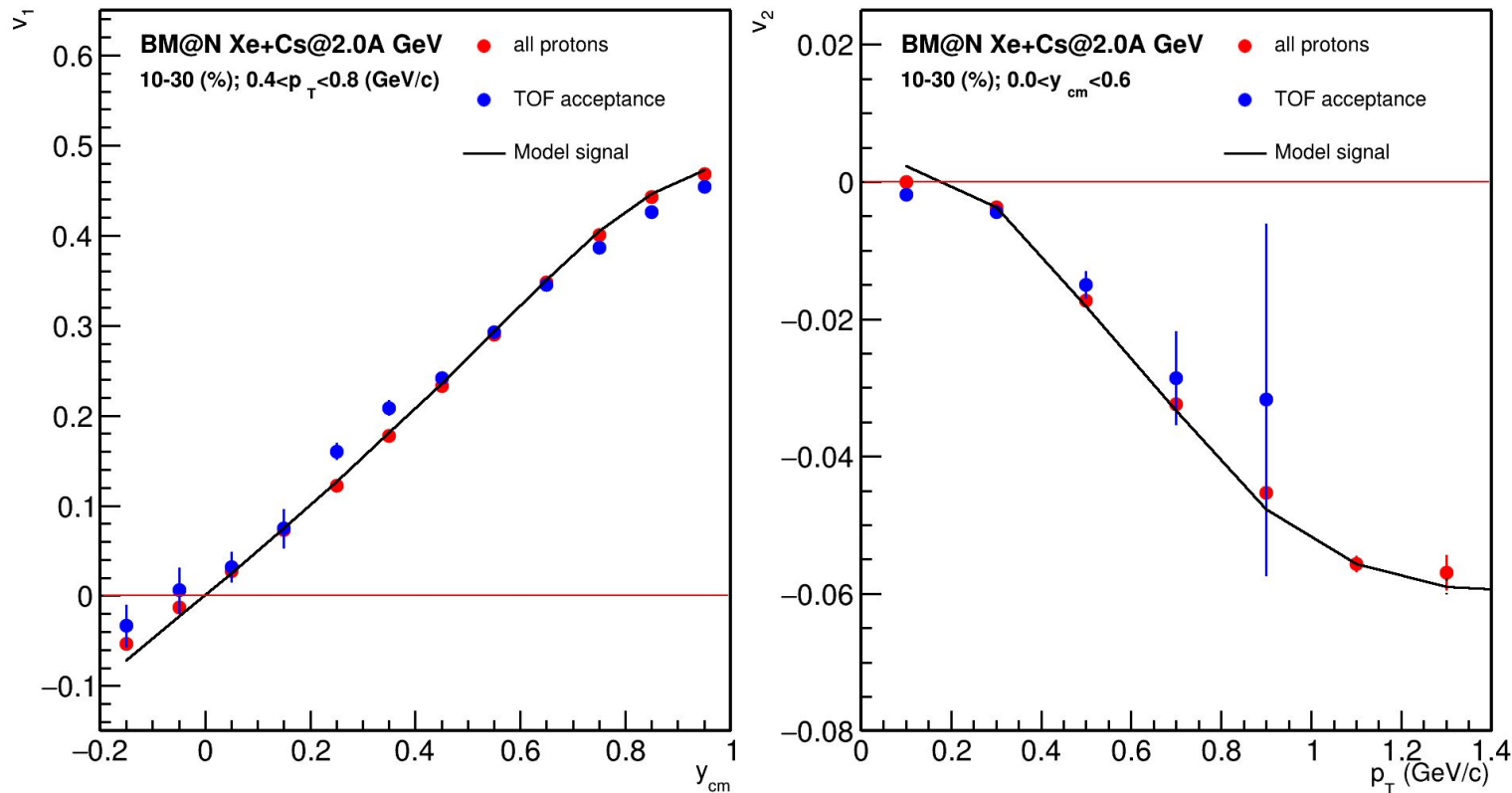
- Good agreement between reconstructed and model data
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# Directed and elliptic flow in Xe+Cs@3A GeV (JAM)



- Good agreement between reconstructed and model data
- Approximately 250-300M events are required to perform multidifferential measurements of  $v_n$

# Directed and elliptic flow in Xe+Cs@2.0A GeV (JAM)



- Larger amount of statistics is required to measure  $v_n$  at higher  $p_T$
- Approximately 350-500M events are required to perform multidifferential measurements of  $v_n$

# Summary

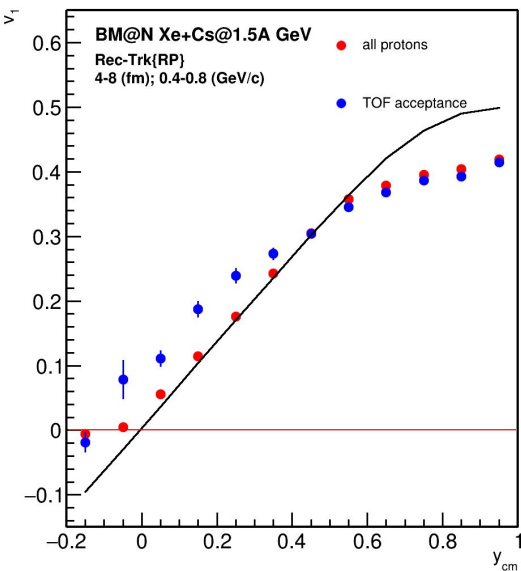
- Resolution correction factor is calculated for DCMQGSM-SMM Xe+Cs collisions at beam energies of 4A, 3A and 1.5A GeV:
  - Using only FHCAL sub-events for resolution calculation gives biased estimation due to transverse hadronic showers propagation
  - Using additional sub-events from tracking provides with a robust estimation
- Good agreement between model and reconstructed data is observed for  $v_1$  and  $v_2$
- For multidifferential  $v_n$  measurements approximately:
  - 150-250M events are required for Xe+Cs@4AGeV
  - 250-300M events are required for Xe+Cs@3AGeV
  - 350-500M events are required for Xe+Cs@1.5AGeV



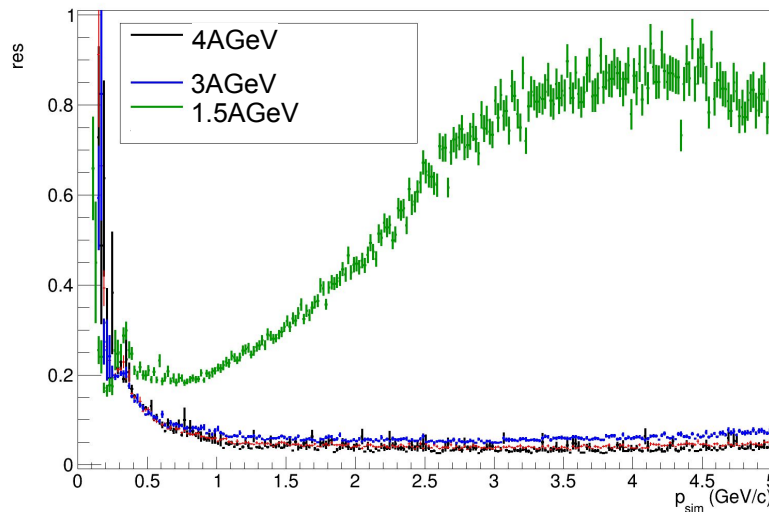
# BACKUP

# $v_1$ : Xe+Cs@1.5AGeV (JAM)

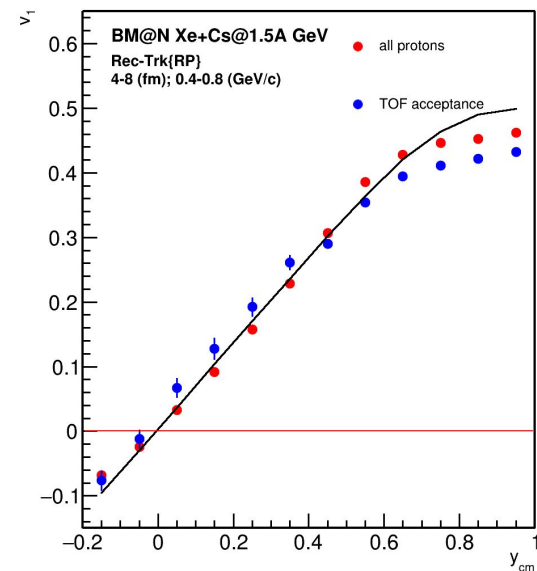
Reconstructed momenta



Momentum resolution

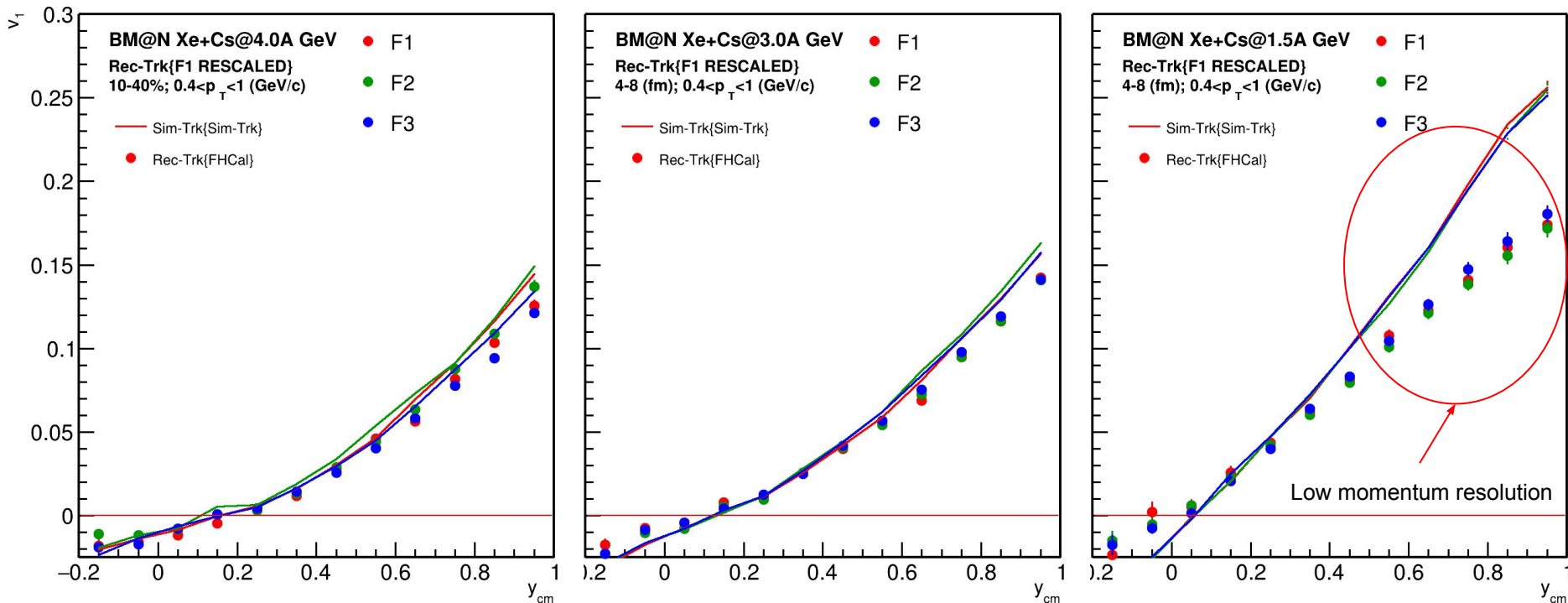


True momenta



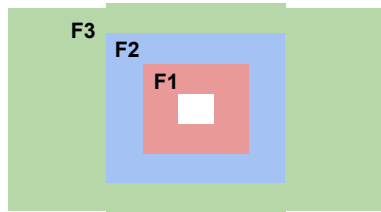
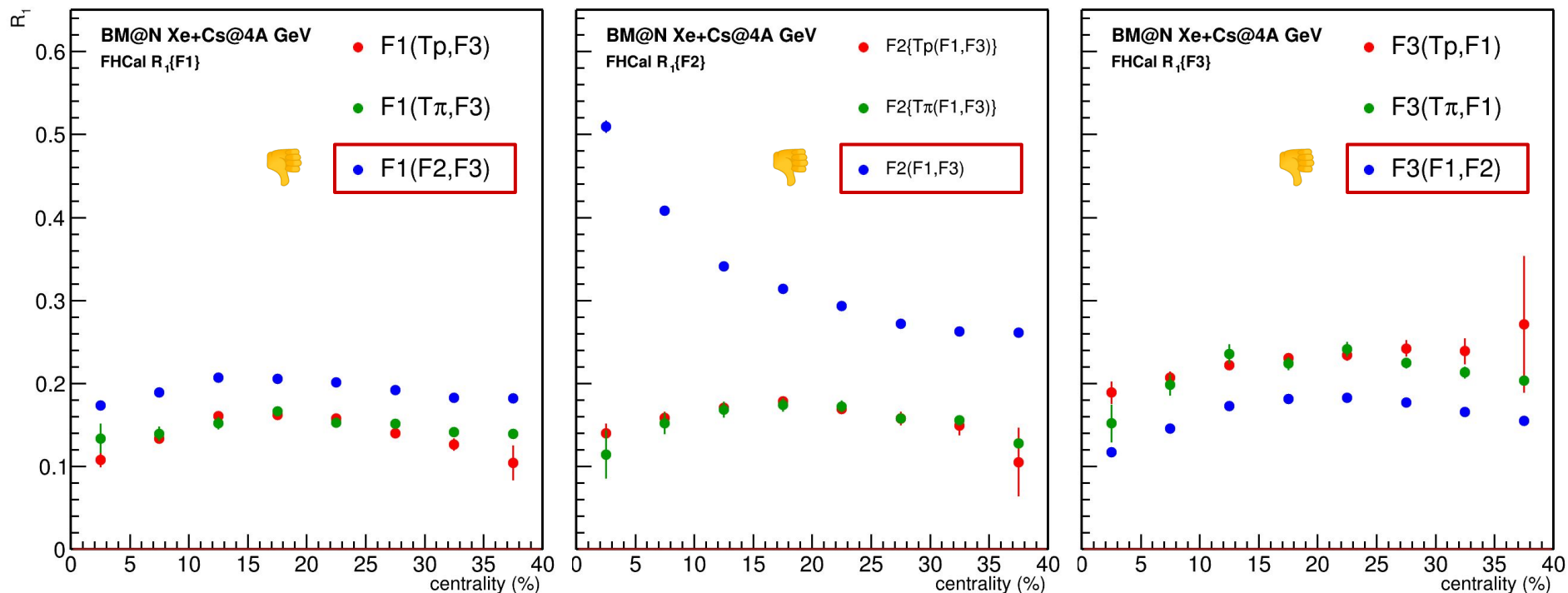
- Poor momentum resolution for lower magnetic field scaling introduces large systematic uncertainty to measured flow data
- Momentum reconstruction procedure for lower field scaling needs to be improved

# $v_1$ : DCMQGCM-SMM Xe+Cs



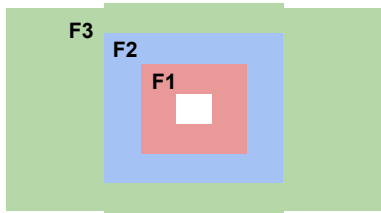
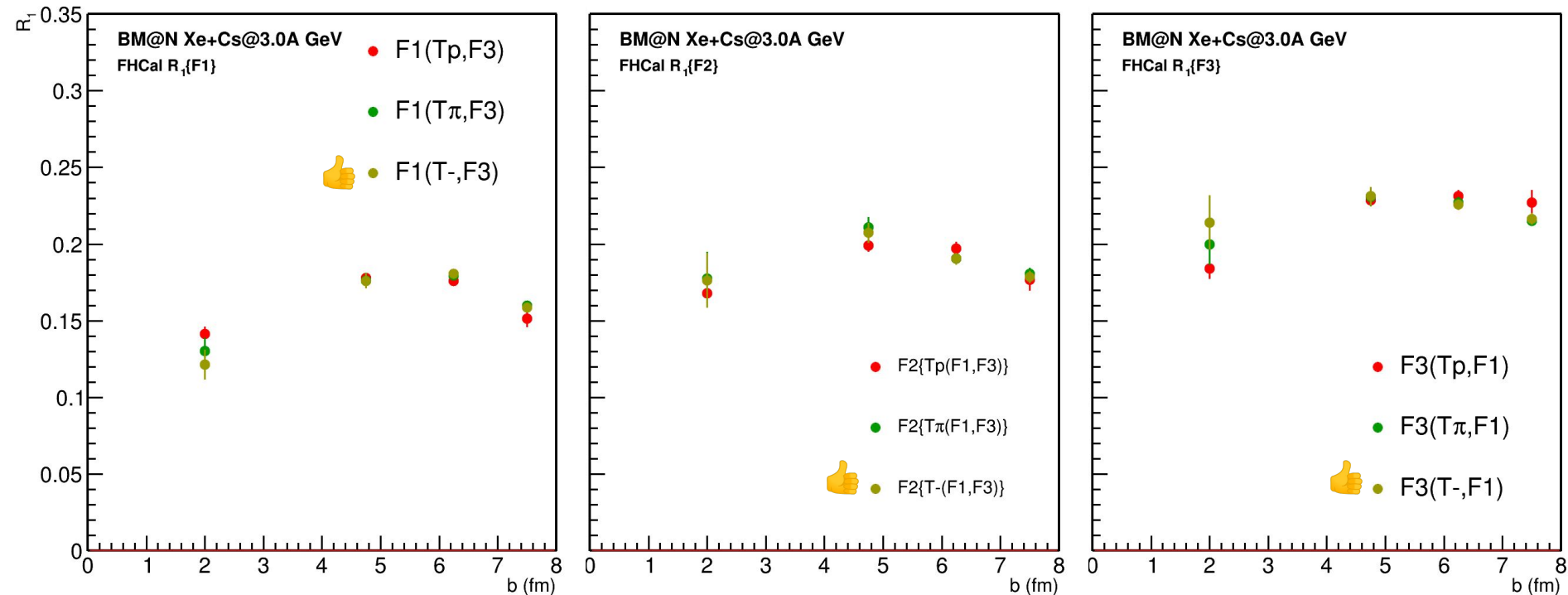
Lower magnetic field strength at lower energies (down to 50%) - lower momentum resolution

# Rec R1: DCMQGCM-SMM Xe+Cs@4A GeV



Bias due to leakage of hadronic shower  
between neighbouring FHCAL subevents:  
**we shall not use this resolution in the further analysis**

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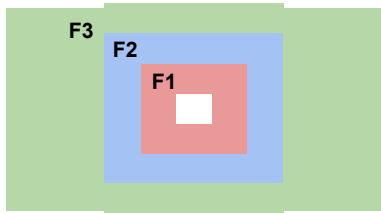
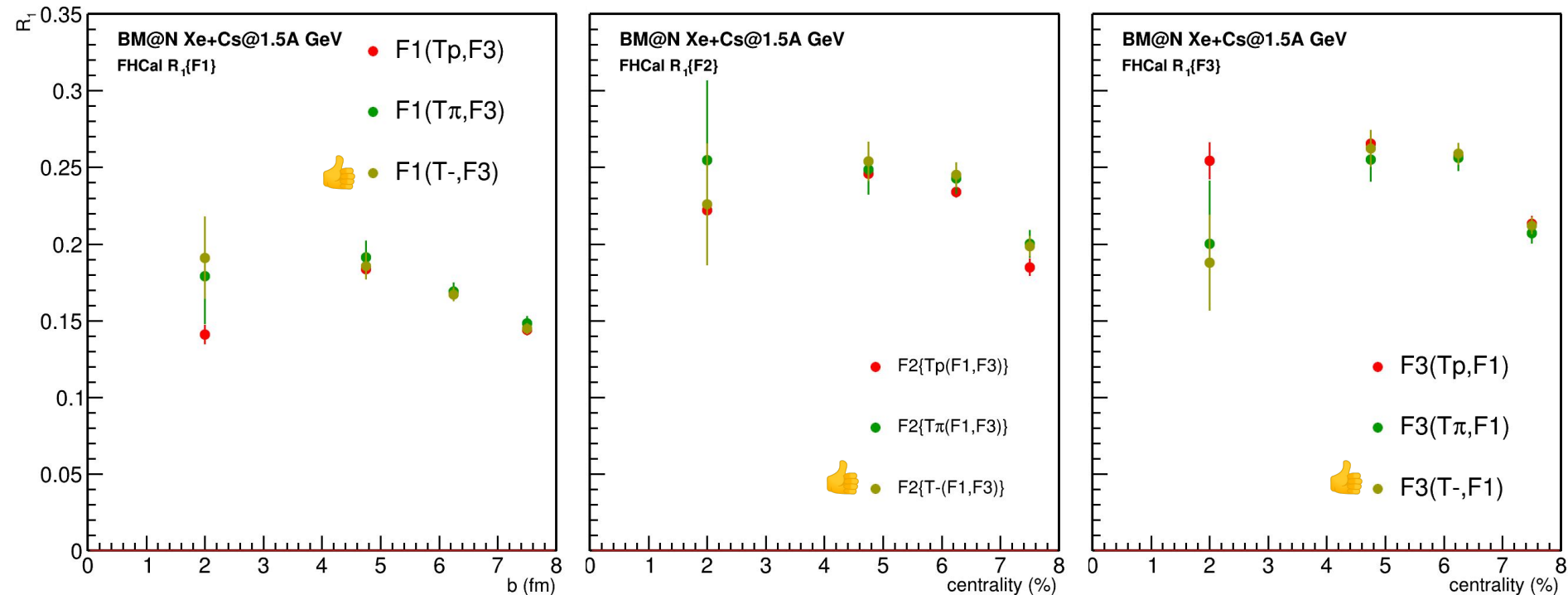
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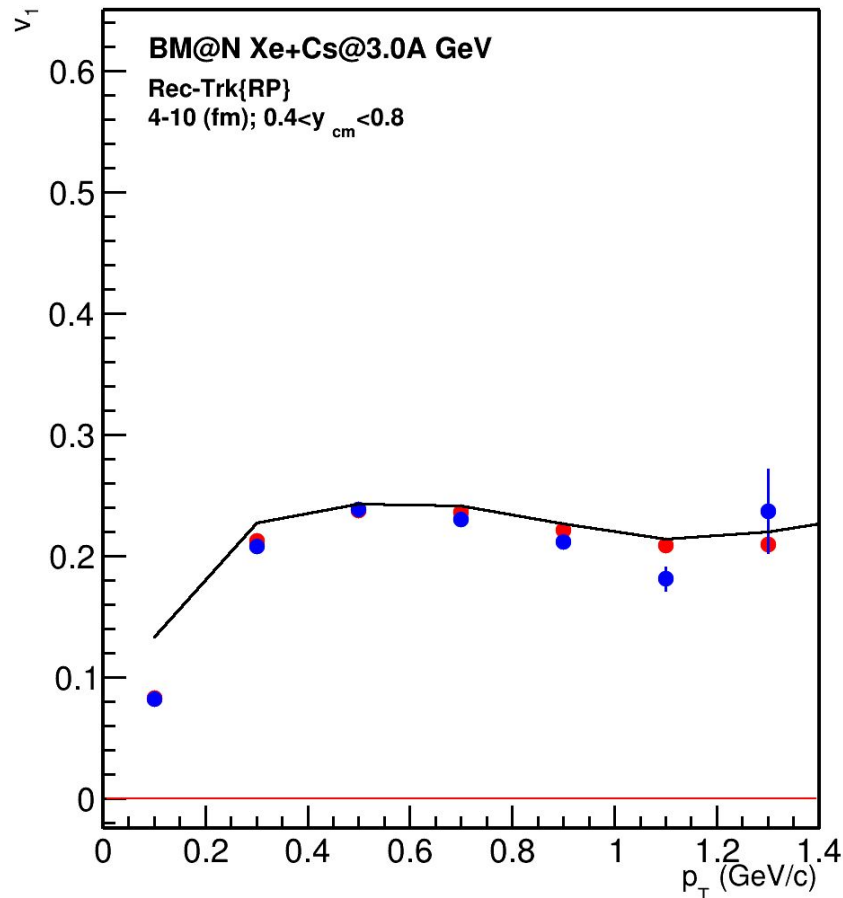
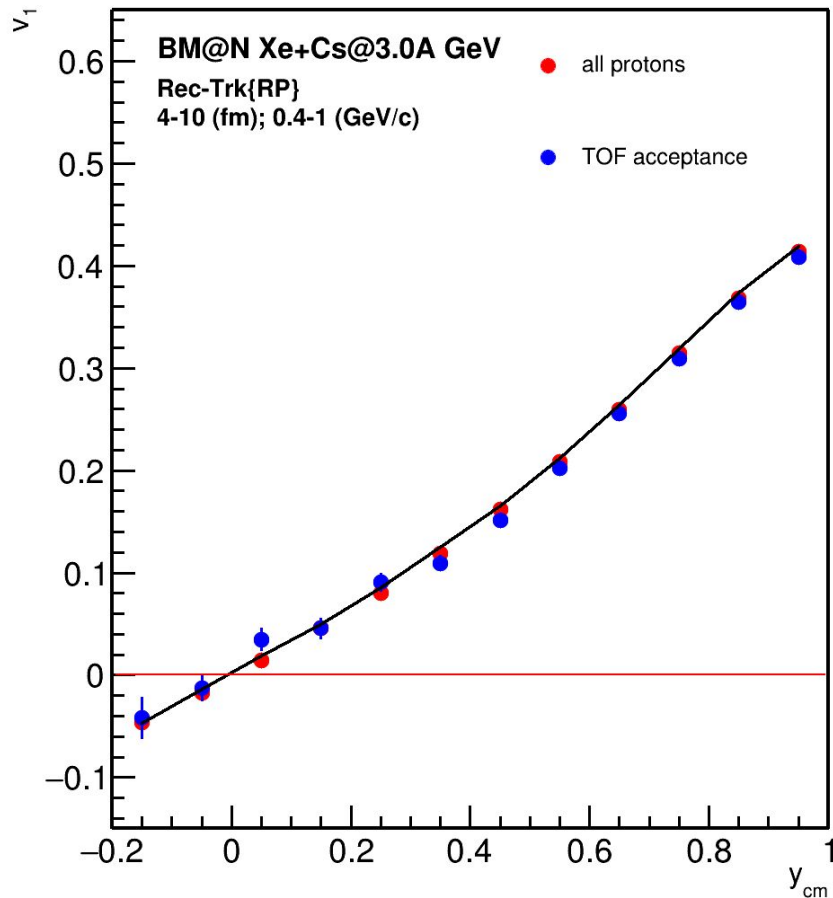
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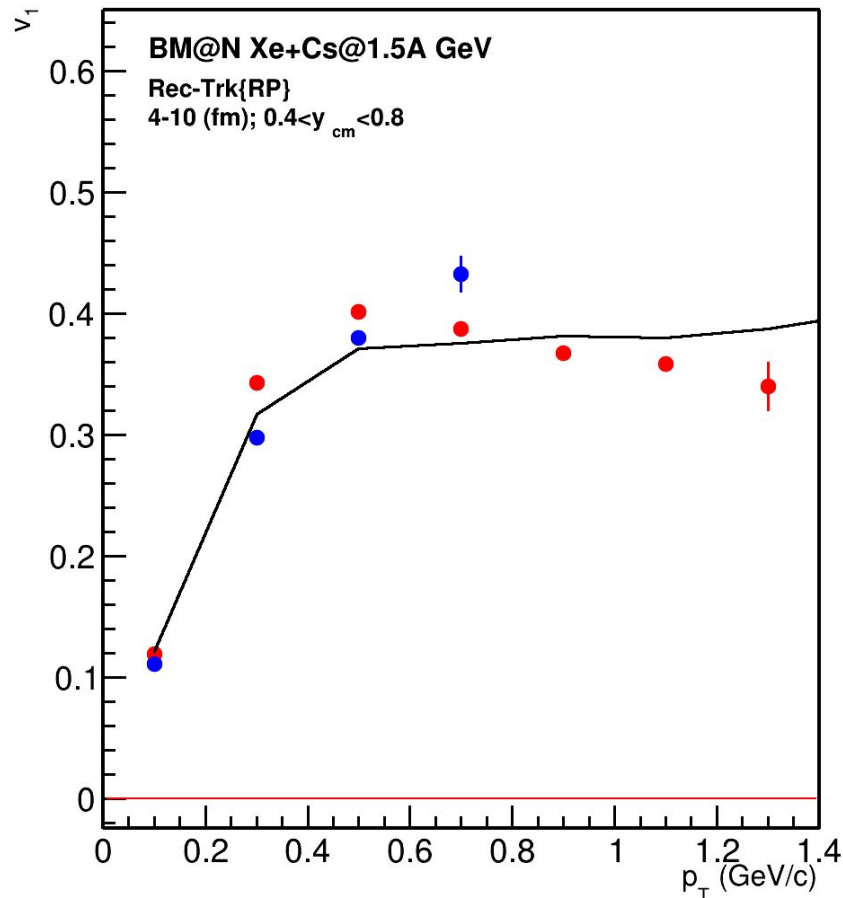
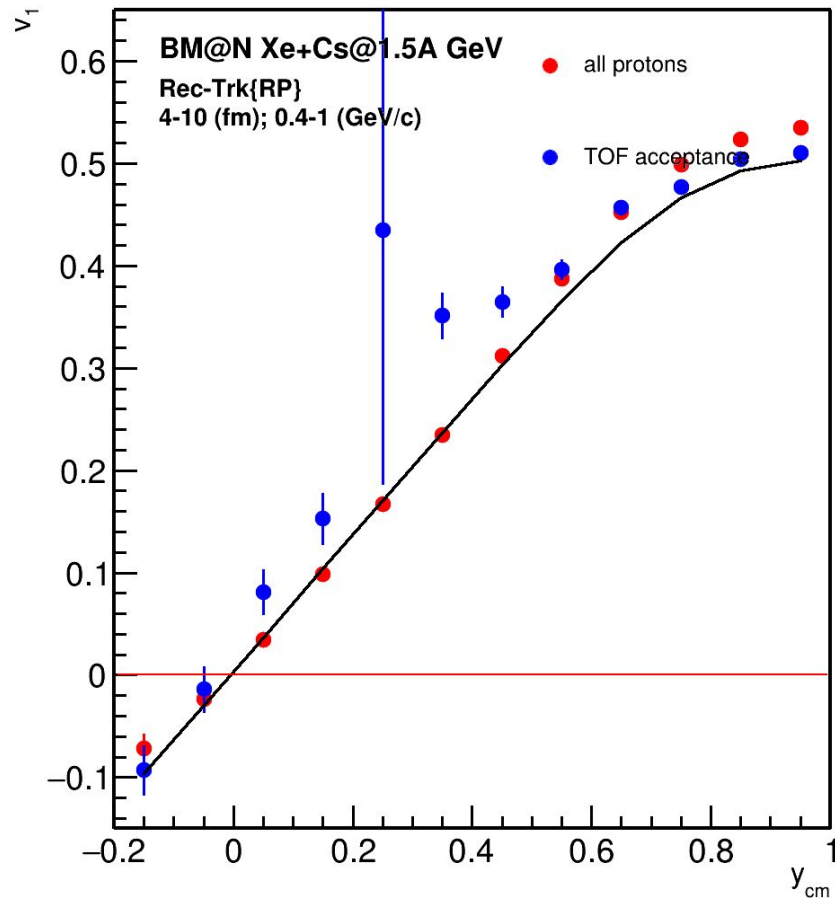
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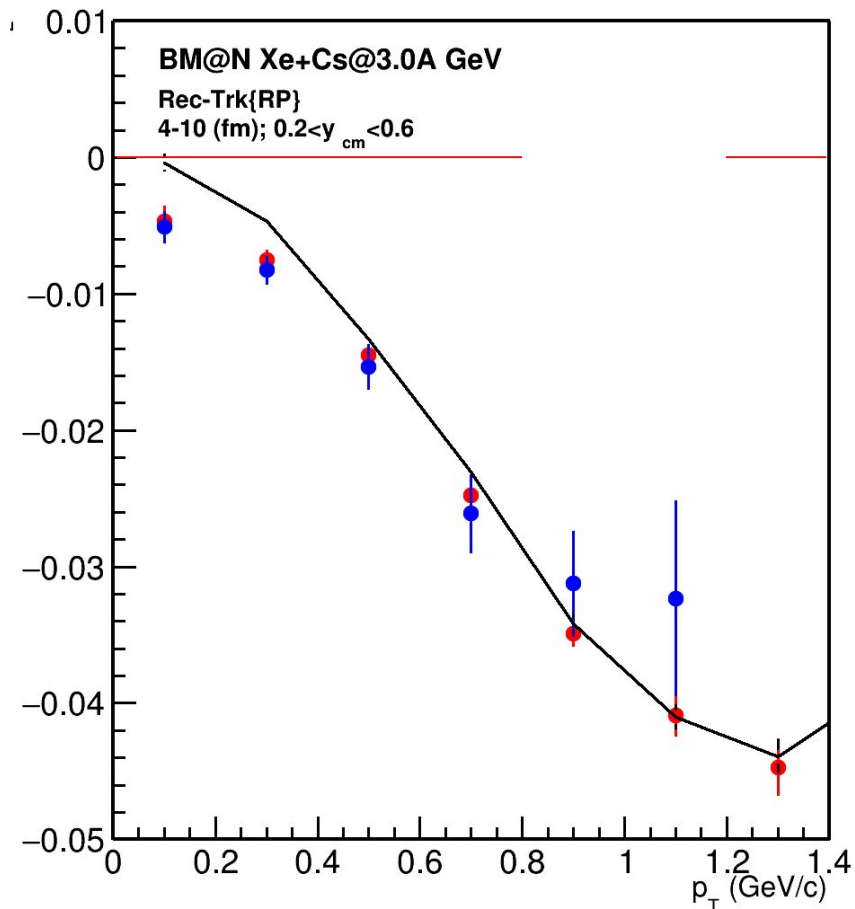
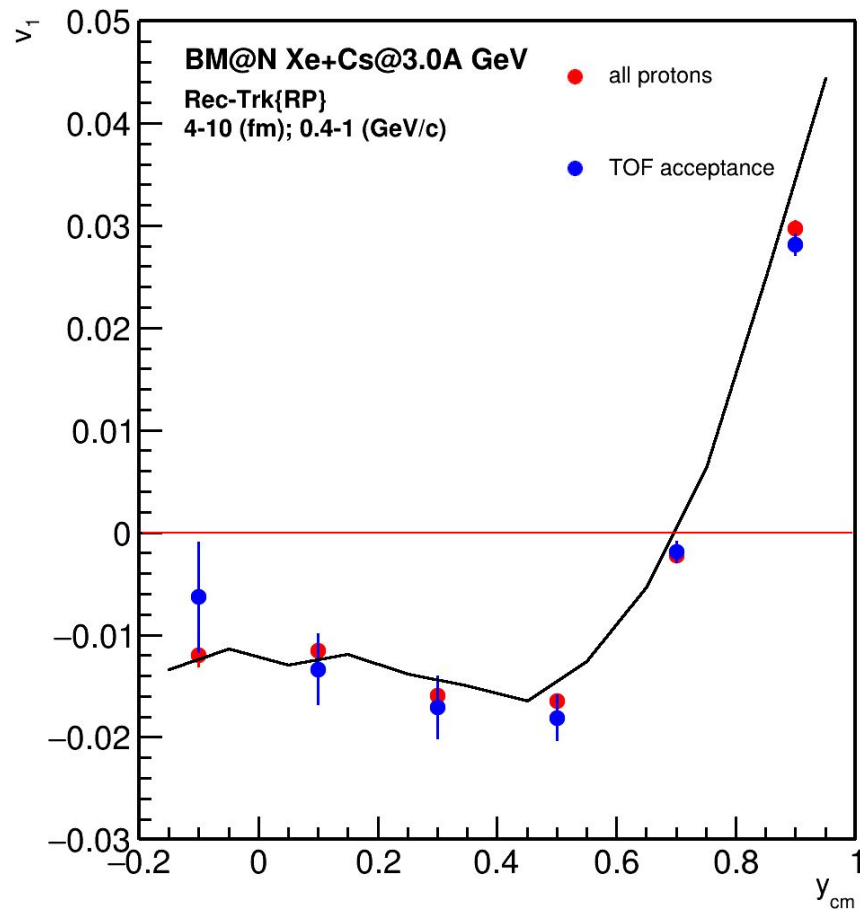


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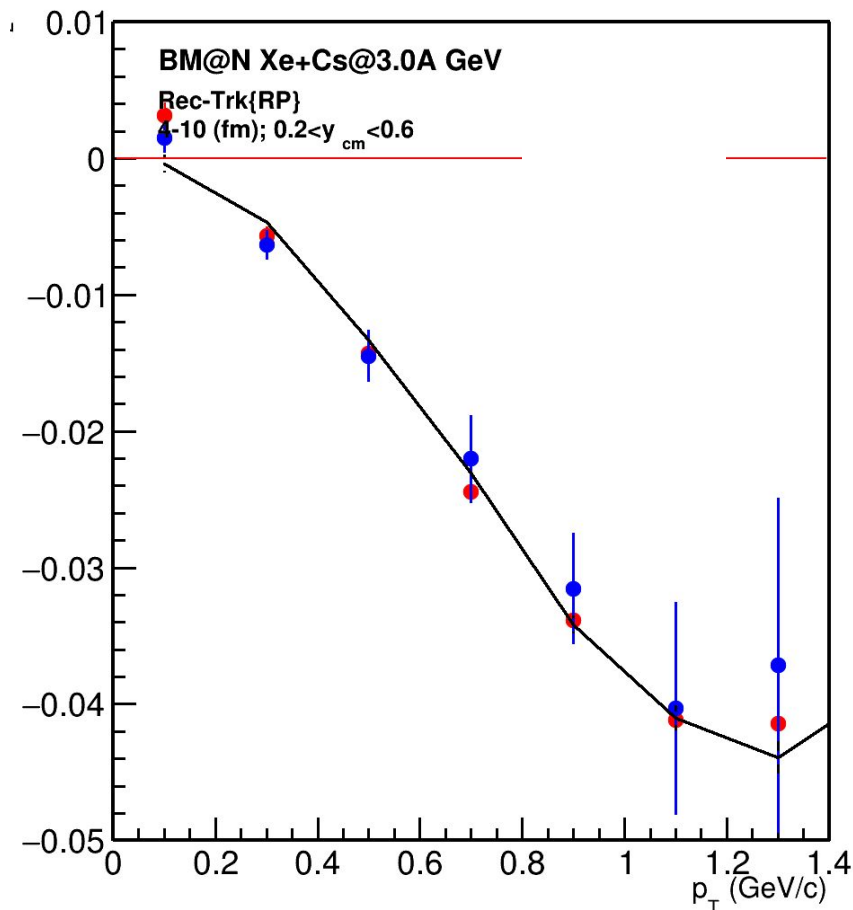
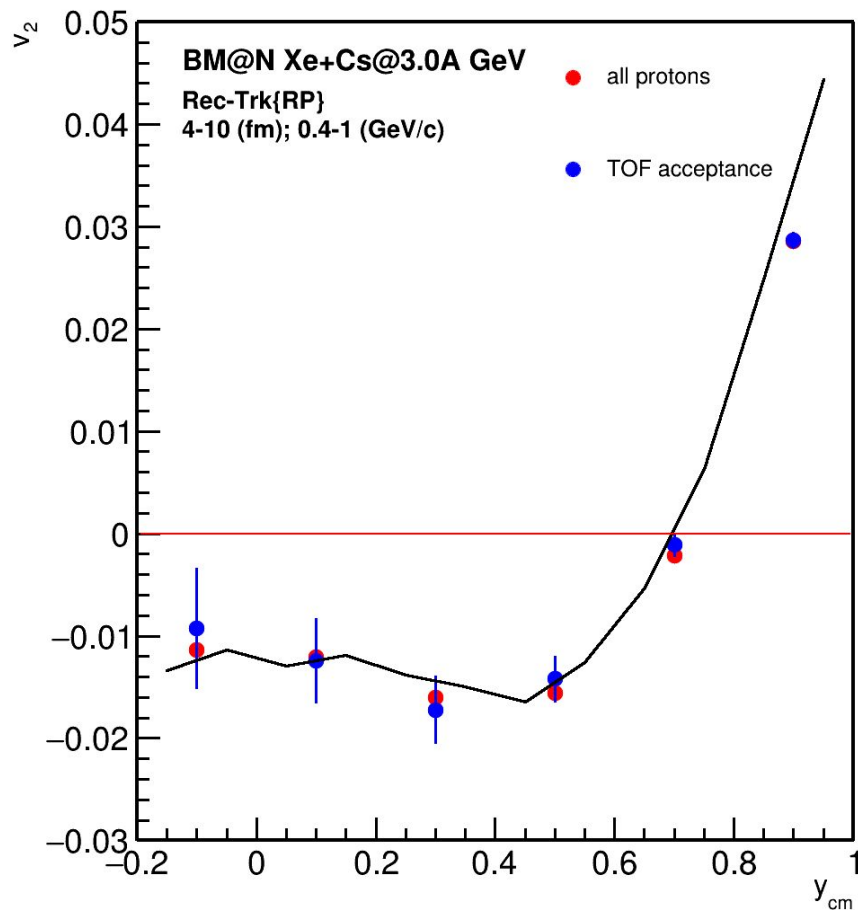




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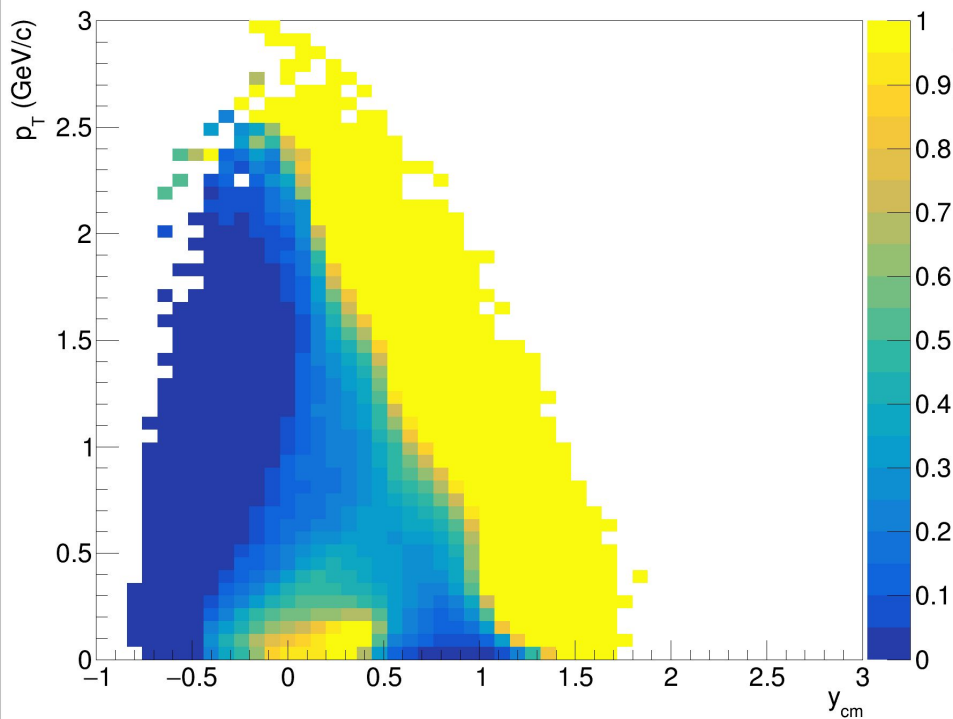


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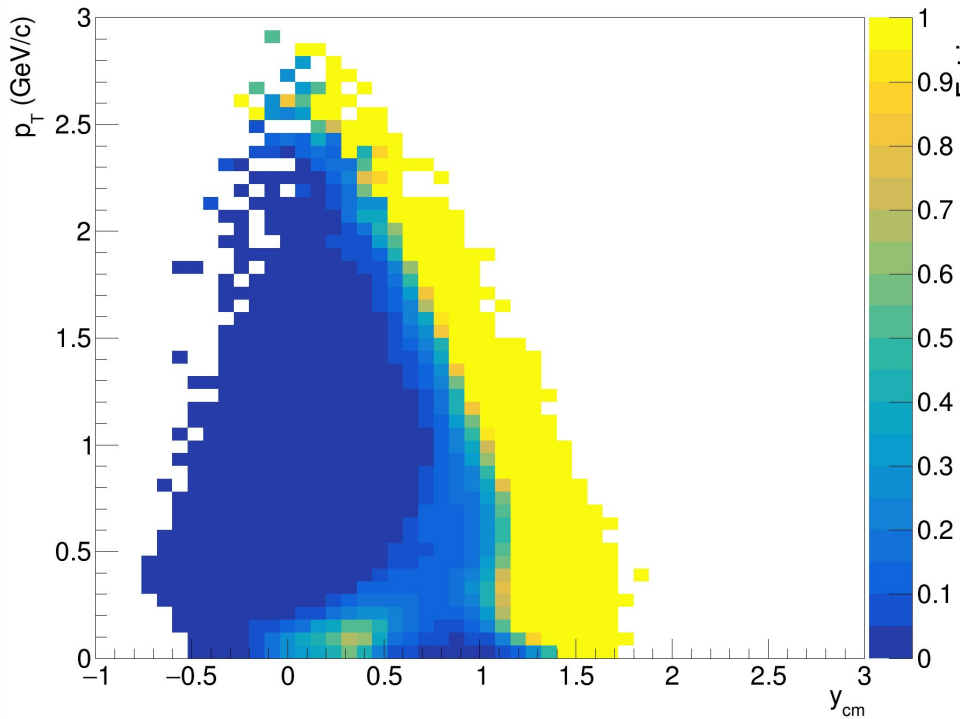


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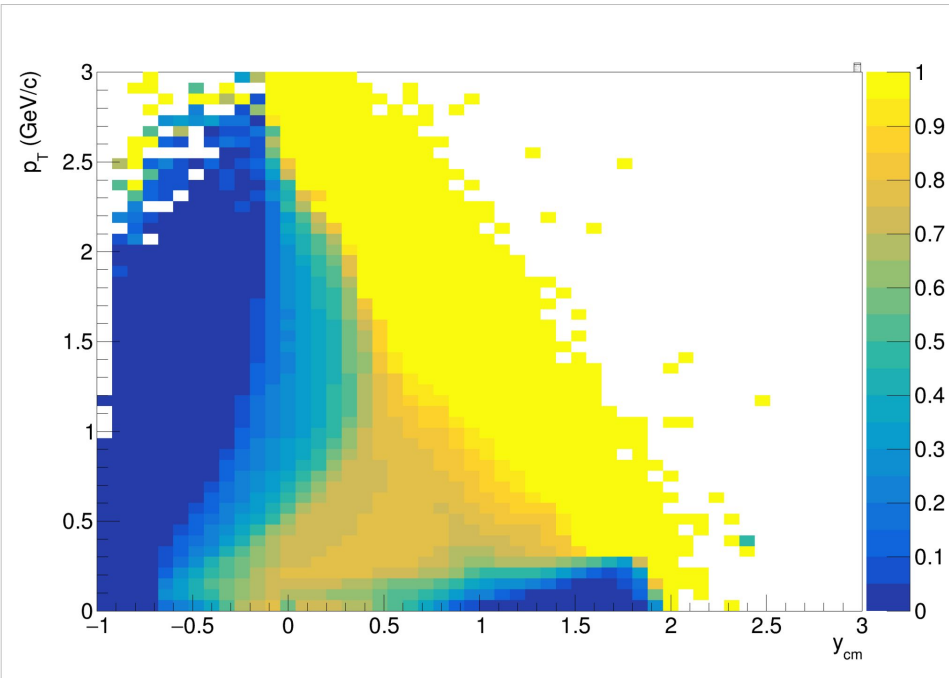


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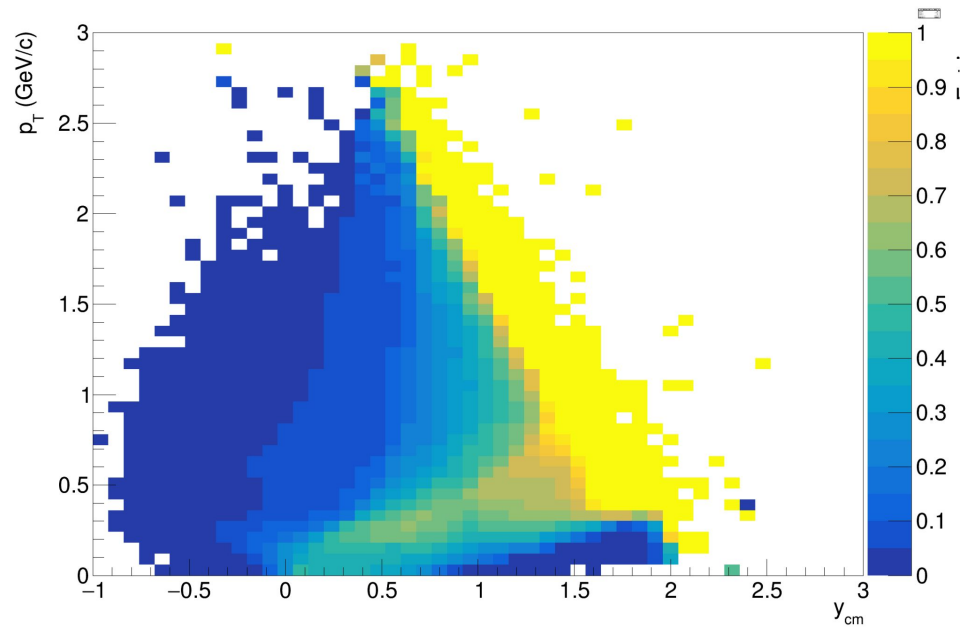


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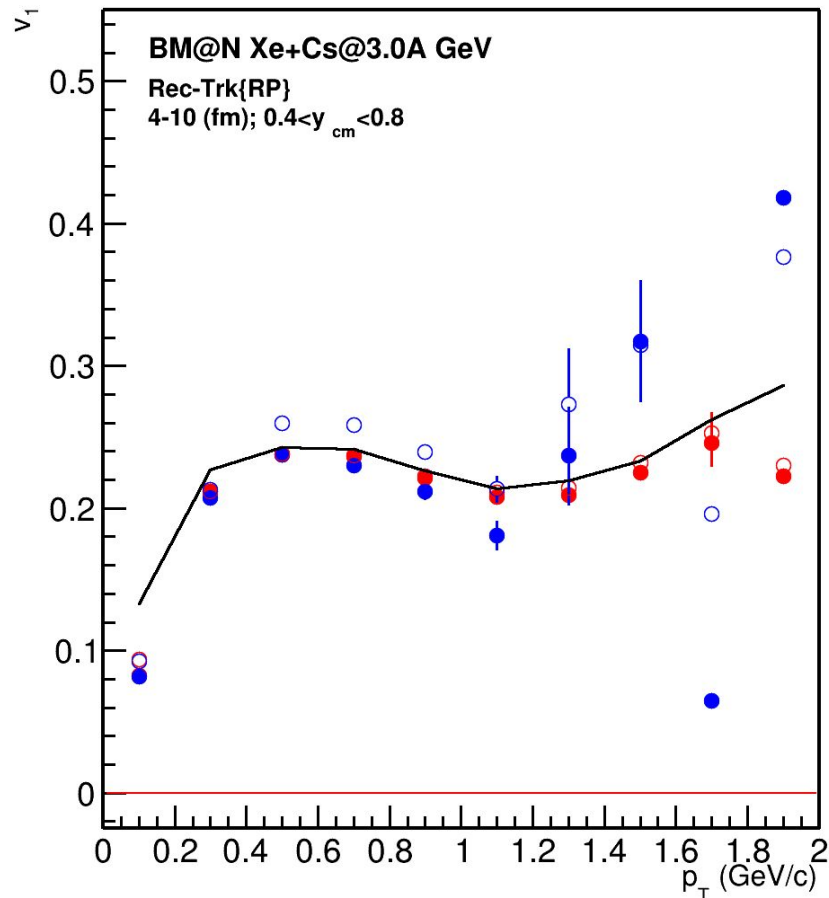
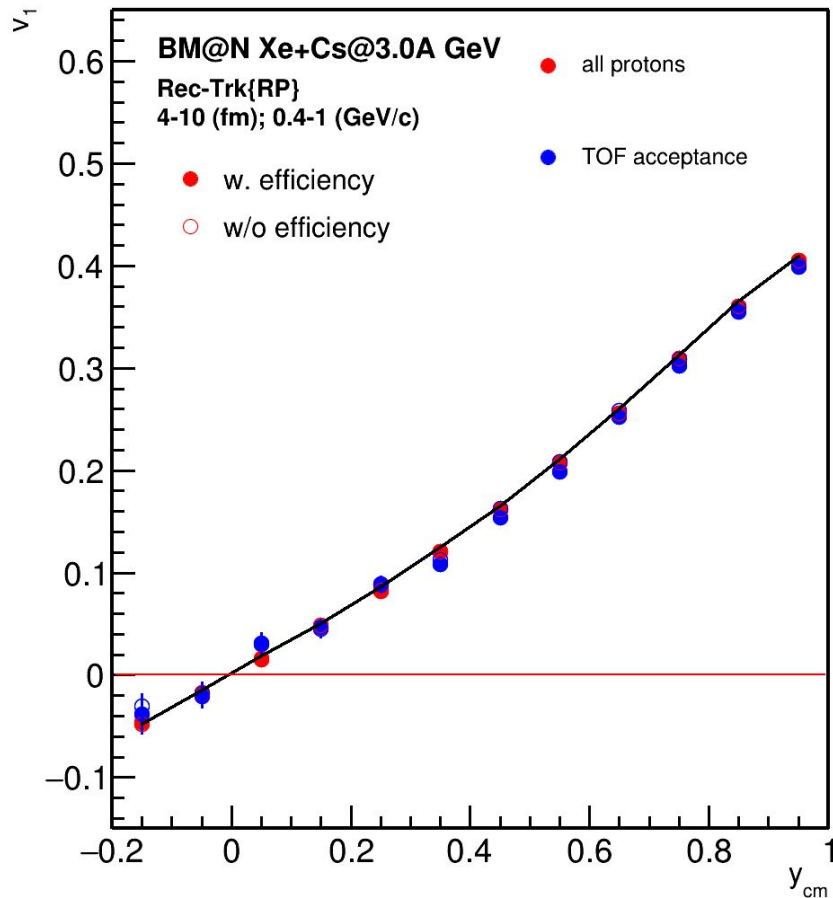
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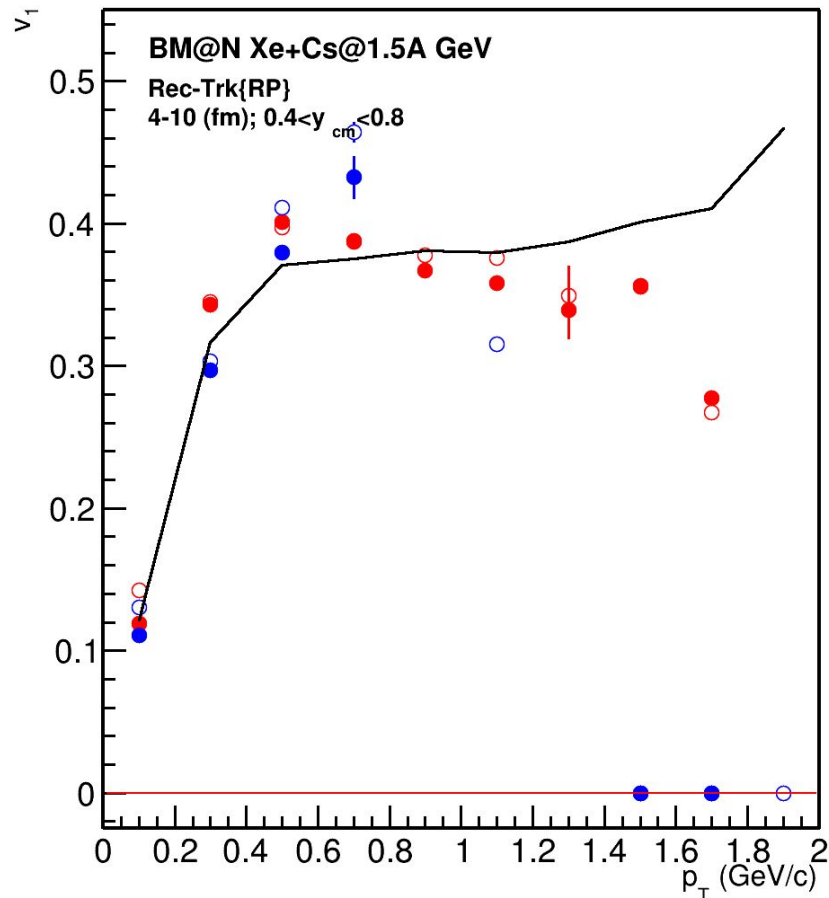
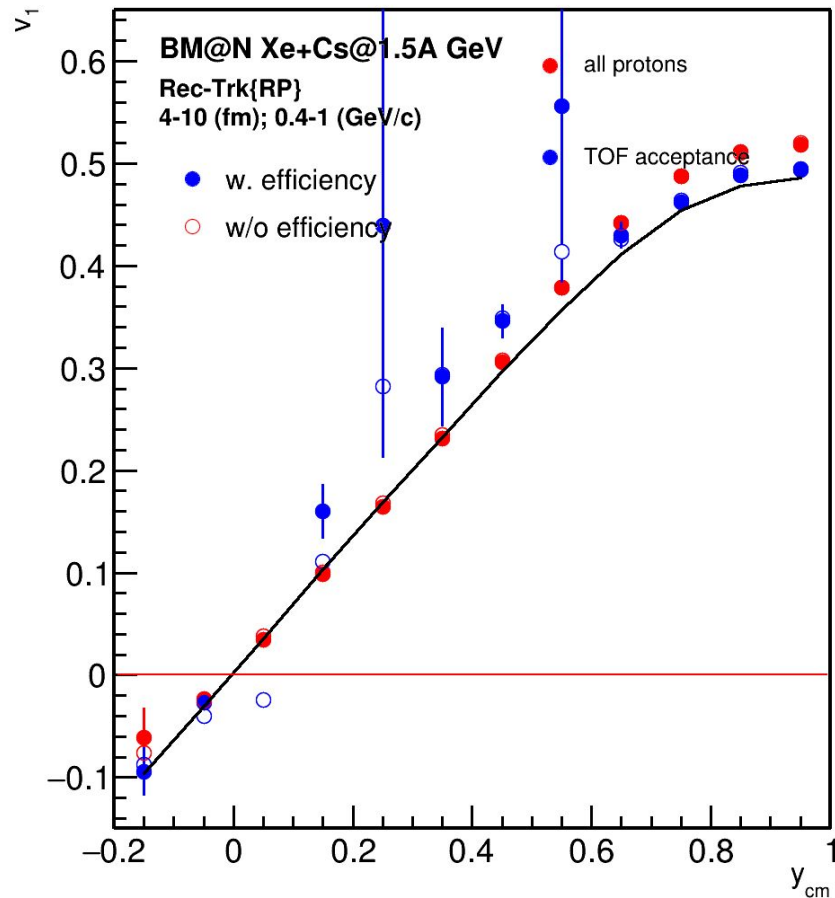
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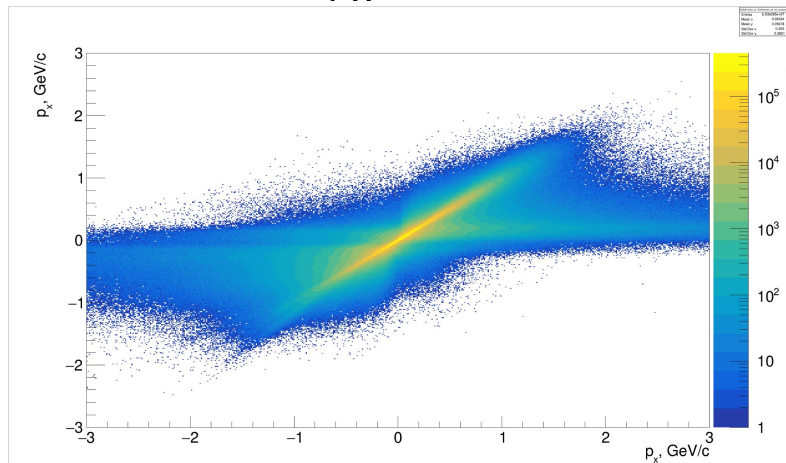


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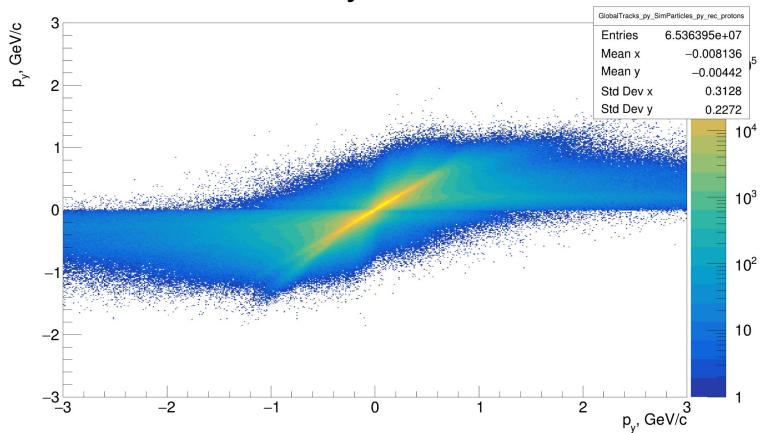


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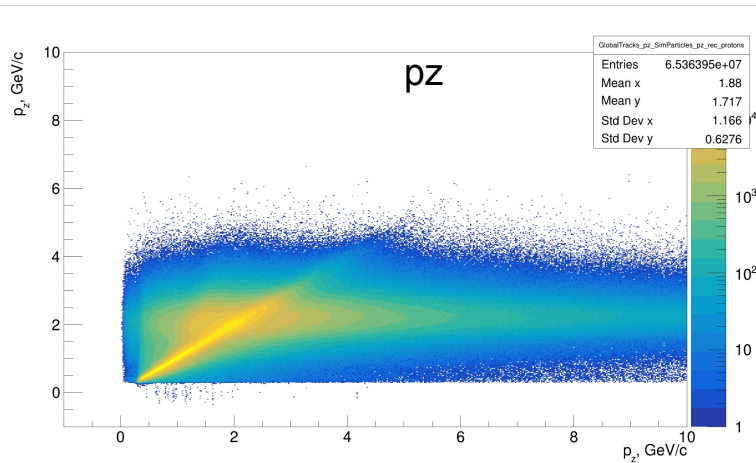
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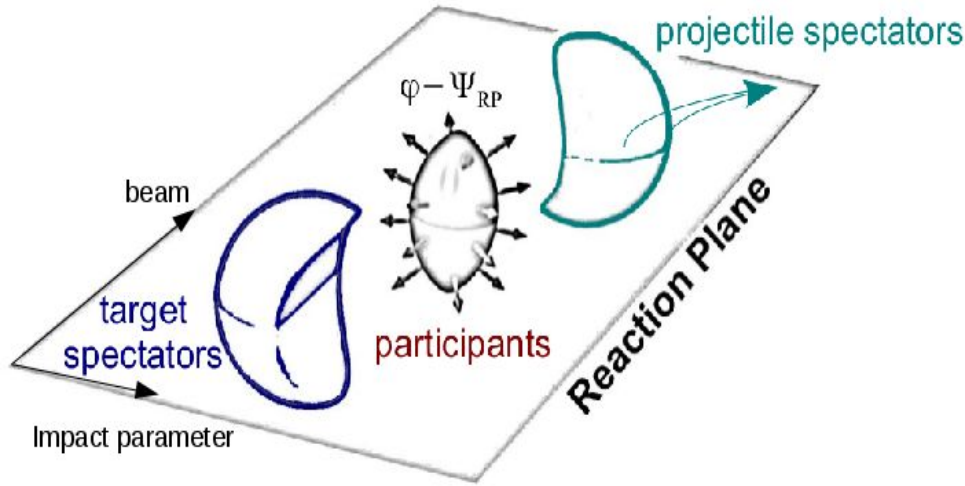
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# Collision geometry and anisotropic transverse flow



$$\rho(\varphi - \Psi_{RP}) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left( 1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} v_n \cos \left( n(\varphi - \Psi_{RP}) \right) \right)$$

$$v_n = \langle \cos[n(\varphi - \Psi_{RP})] \rangle$$

Asymmetry in coordinate space converts

(due to interaction & depending on the properties created matter)

into momentum asymmetry with respect to the collision symmetry plane

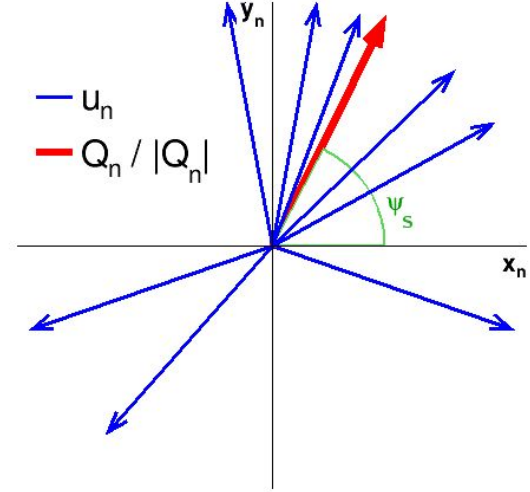


# Scalar product method for $v_n$ measurement

$\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{Q}$ -vectors:

$$\mathbf{u}_n = \{u_{n,x}, u_{n,y}\} = \{\cos n\phi, \sin n\phi\}$$

$$\mathbf{Q}_n = \{Q_{n,x}, Q_{n,y}\} = \frac{1}{\sum_k w^k} \left\{ \sum_k w^k u_{n,x}^k, \sum_k w^k u_{n,y}^k \right\}$$



Scalar product method:

$v_n$  with respect to symmetry plane  $\Psi_S$  estimated using group of particles “a”:

$$v_{1,i}^a(p_T, y) = \frac{2\langle u_{1,i}(p_T, y) Q_{1,i}^a \rangle}{R_{1,i}^a}, \quad i = x, y. \quad R_{1,i}^a - 1^{\text{st}} \text{ order event plane resolution correction}$$

$$R_{1,x}^{a,MC} = \langle Q_{1,x}^a \cos \Psi_{RP} \rangle, \quad R_{1,y}^{a,MC} = \langle Q_{1,y}^a \sin \Psi_{RP} \rangle$$

# QnTools framework

Corrections are based on method in:

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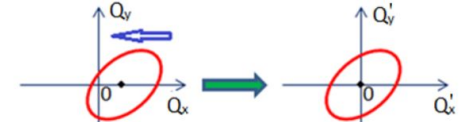
Originally implemented as QnCorrections framework for ALICE experiment at CERN:

J. Onderwaater, I. Selyuzhenkov, V. Gonzalez

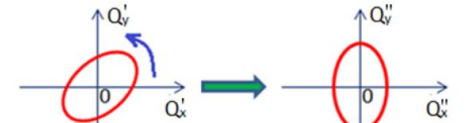
QnTools analysis package:

<https://github.com/HeavyIonAnalysis/QnTools>

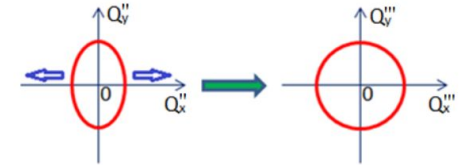
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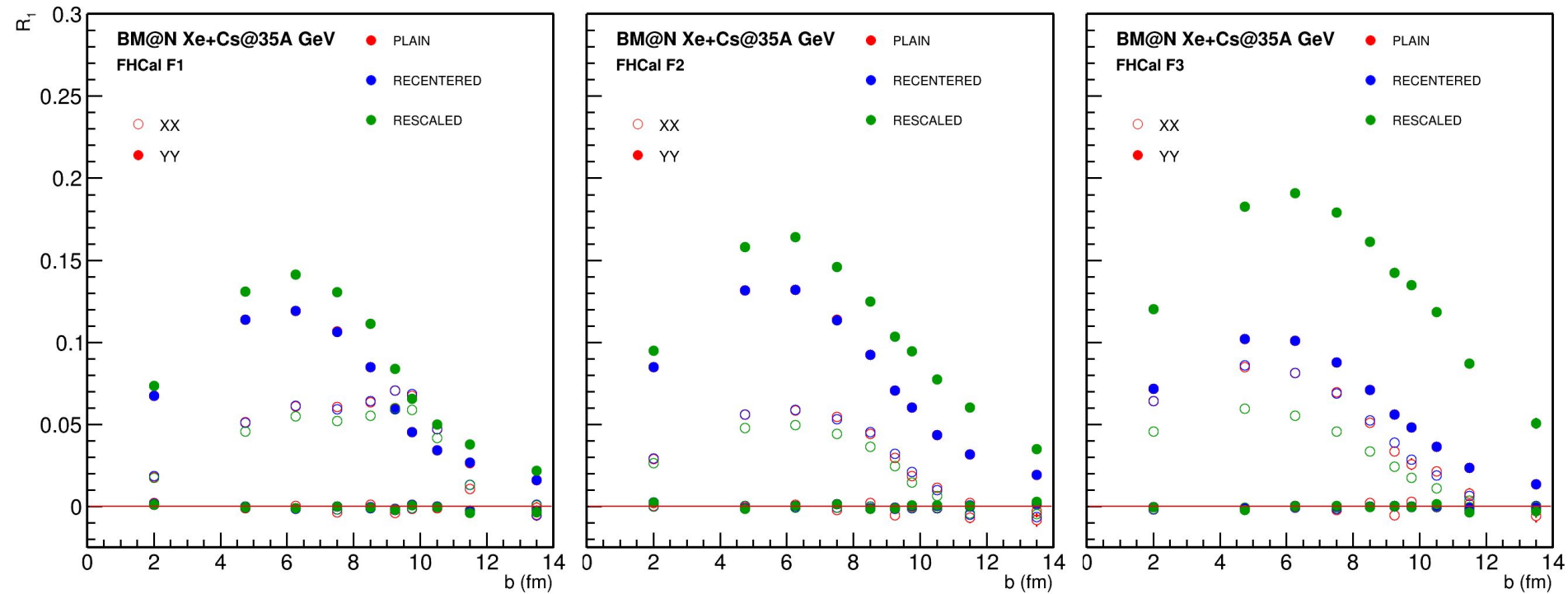
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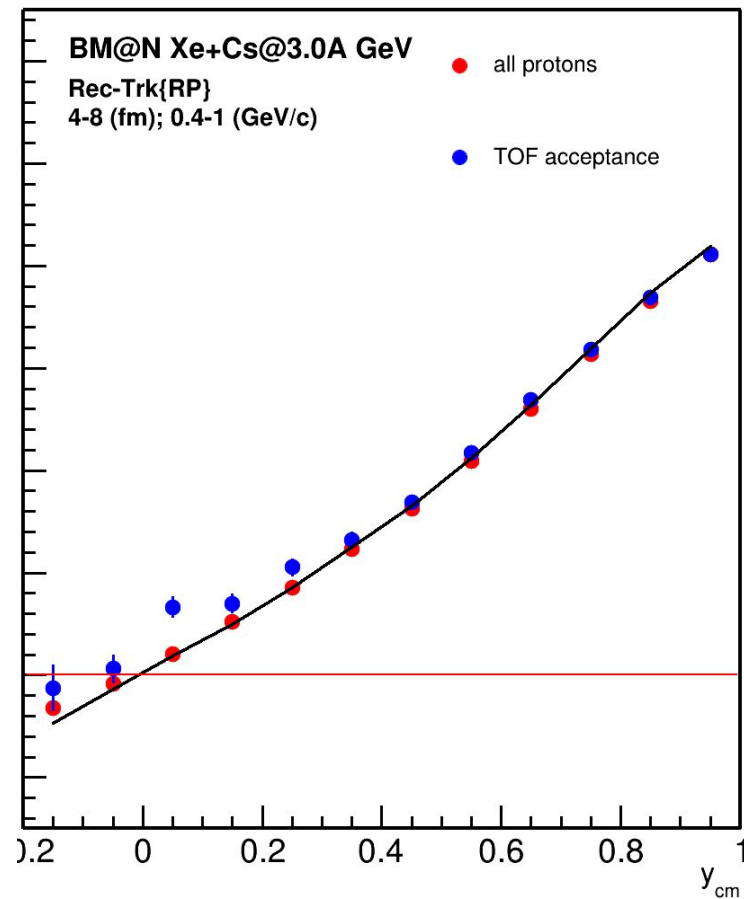
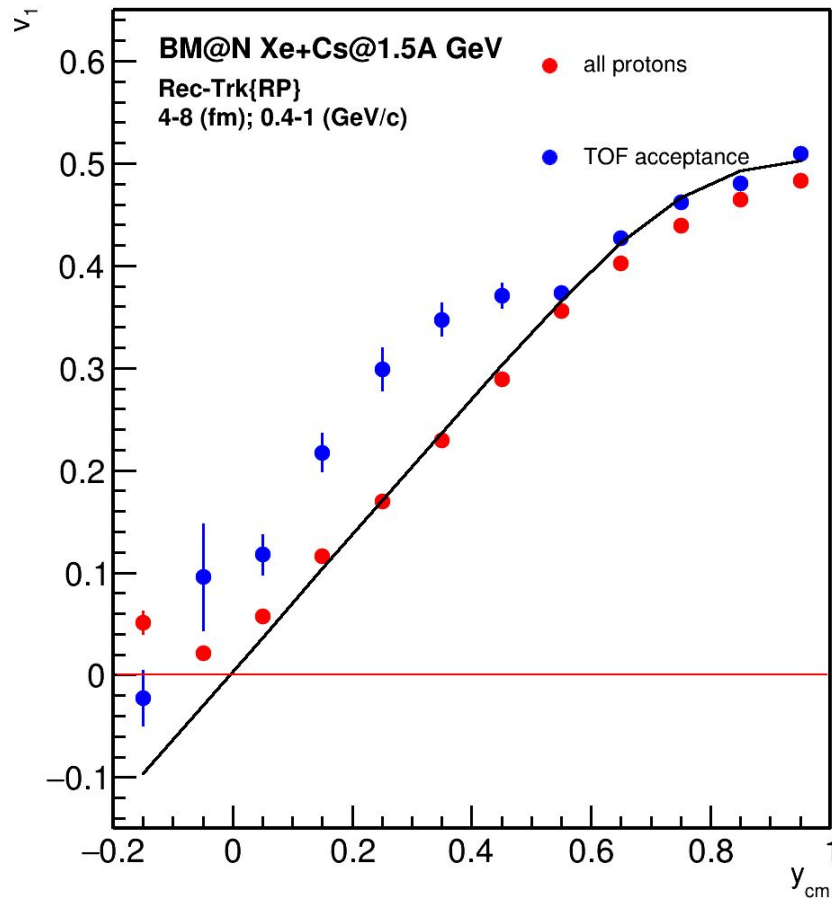
## QnTools configuration

Q-vector	$Q_n$ weight	Correction axes	Correction steps	Error calculation	$Q_n$ Normalization
Protons	1	$p_T$ [ 0.0, 2.00], 5 bins $y_{cm}$ [-0.1, 0.1], 20 bins b, 10 bins	Recentering Twist Rescaling	Bootstrapping, 100 samples	Sum of Weights (SP) Unity (EP)
Fragments	Module charge	b, 10 bins			

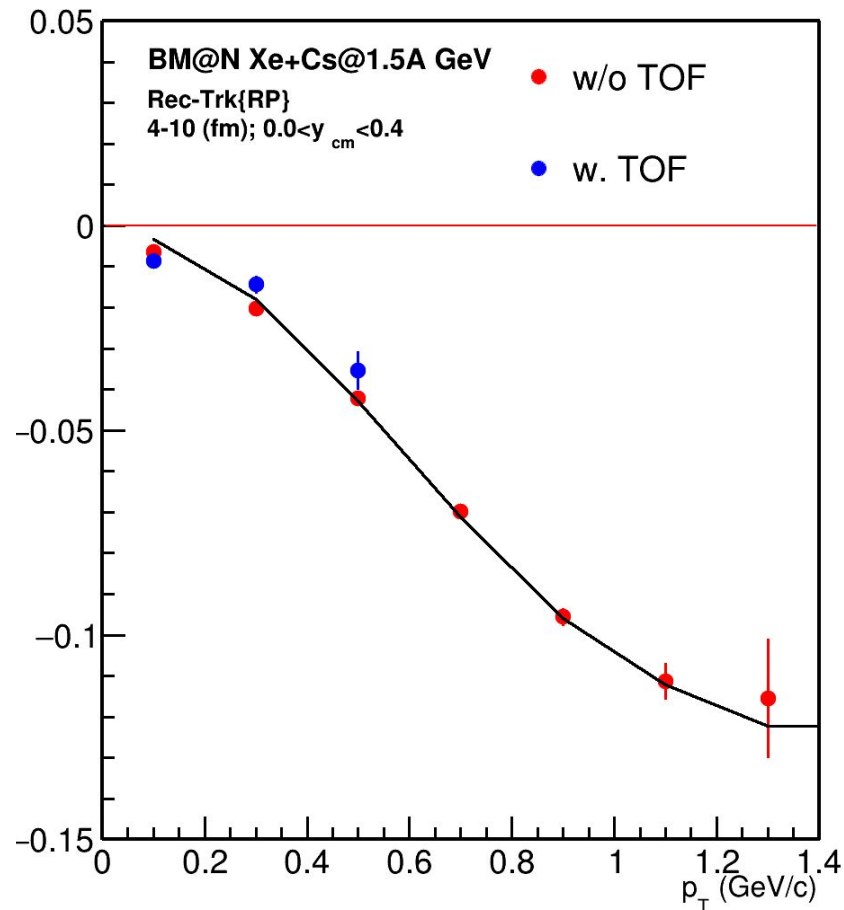
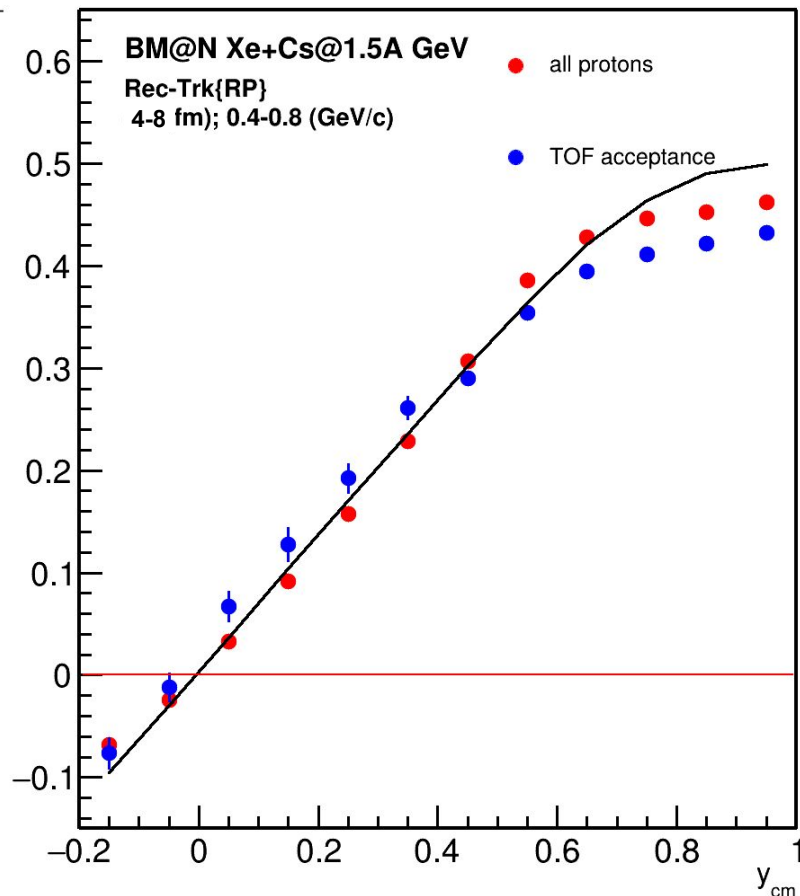
# True R1: DCMQGCM-SMM Xe+Cs@3A GeV



# $v_1$ : Xe+Cs: True momenta



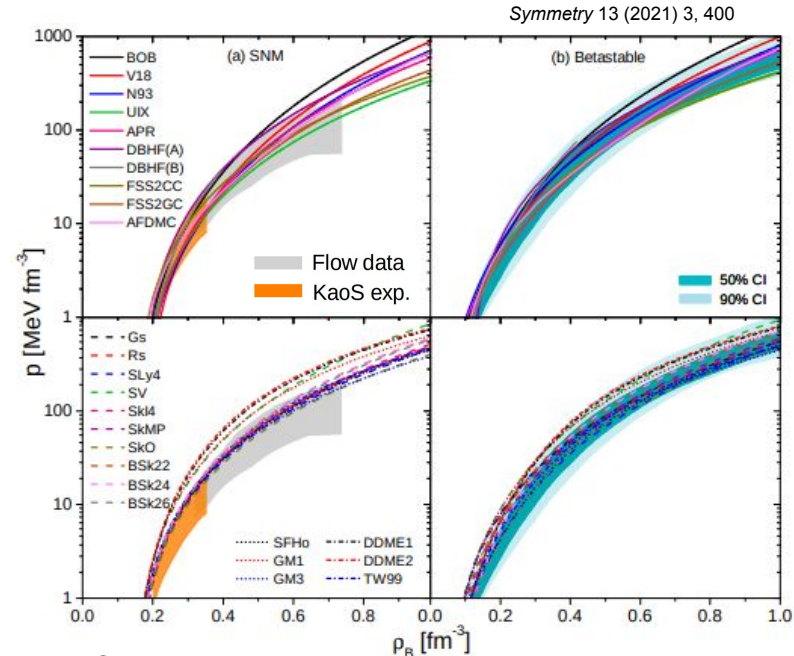
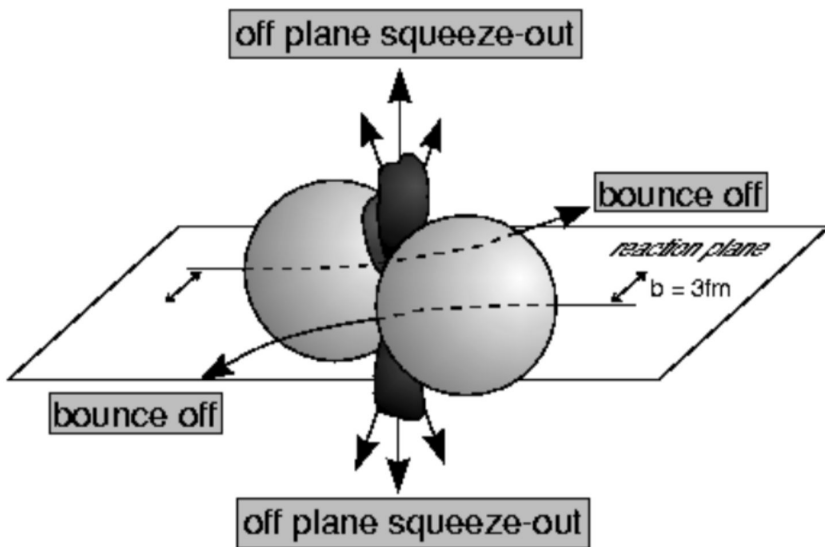
# $v_2$ : Xe+Cs@3.0A GeV: JAM (true momenta)



Momentum reconstruction procedure requires refinement at lower energies

# Collective flow in heavy-ion collisions

spatial asymmetry of the initial pressure distribution transforms into anisotropic emission of produced particles via interaction inside the overlapping region of colliding nuclei



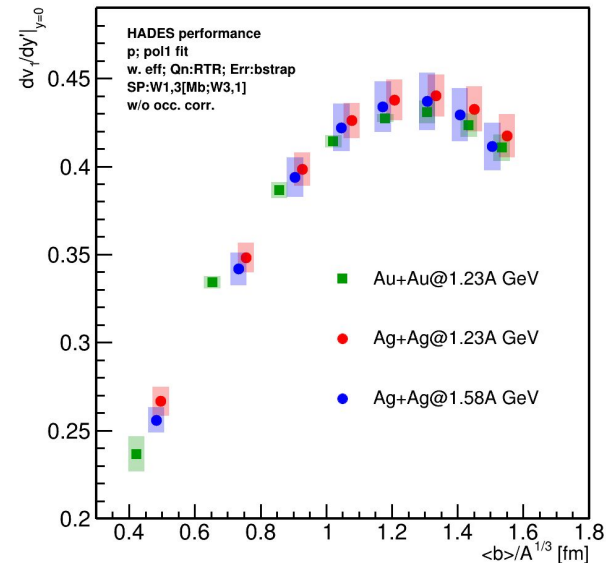
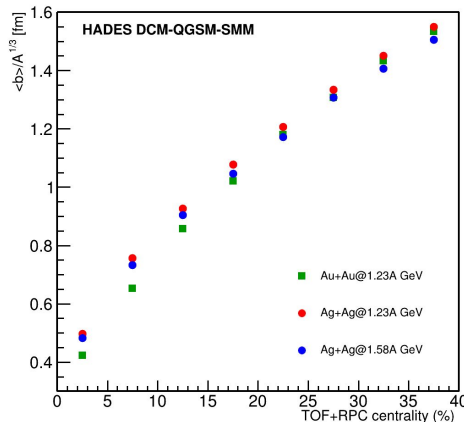
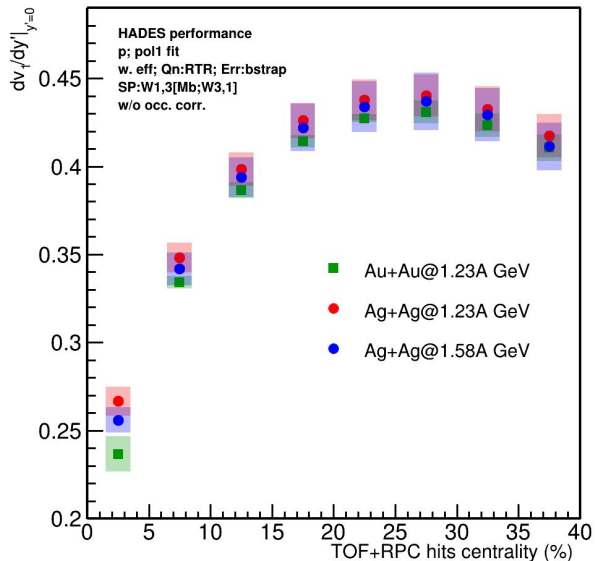
Anisotropic flow measurements can constrain compressibility of the matter created in the collision

# HADES: $dv_1/dy$ scaling with collision energy and system size

$$y_{CM} \rightarrow y' = y_{CM} / y_{beam}$$

$$\text{centrality} \rightarrow \langle b \rangle / A^{1/3}$$

$$y' = y_{CM} / y_{beam} + \langle b \rangle / A^{1/3}$$



- After correcting for dependence on the passing time ( $y_{beam}$ )  $dv_1/dy'$  is independent of the size of colliding nuclei and collision energy and depends only on the relative impact parameter ( $\langle b \rangle / A^{1/3}$ )
- Plotting  $dv_1/dy'$  vs.  $\langle b \rangle / A^{1/3}$  instead of centrality improves the scaling in central collisions