



# Tuning the initial deformation of a QGP droplet with polarized deuterons

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Details in Piotr Bożek and WB: [PRL 121 \(2018\) 202301 \[arXiv:1808.09840\]](#)

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# Outline

- Collectivity: shape-flow transmutation
- Small systems, d+A
- Polarized deuteron
- Other light nuclei with  $j \geq 1$ , relation to quadrupole moment
- Experimental prospects

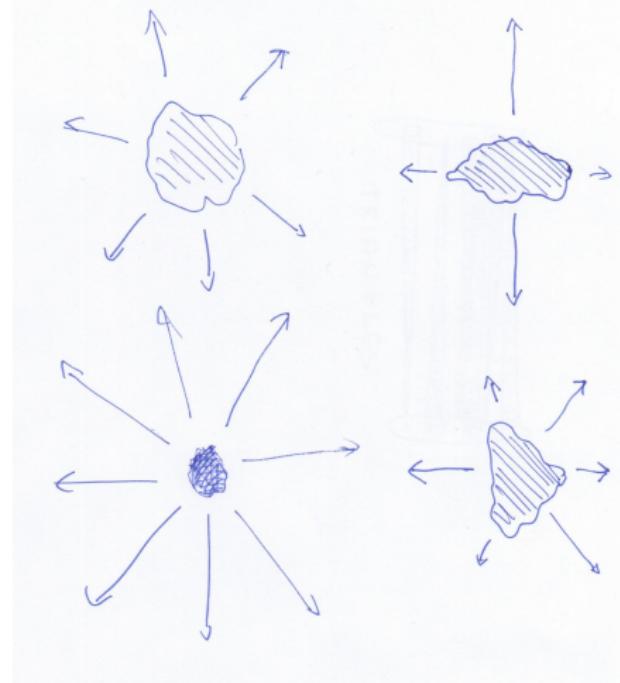
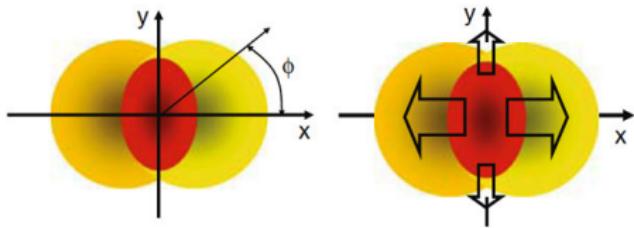
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[Ollitrault '92 ... Miller, Snellings, 2001 ...]

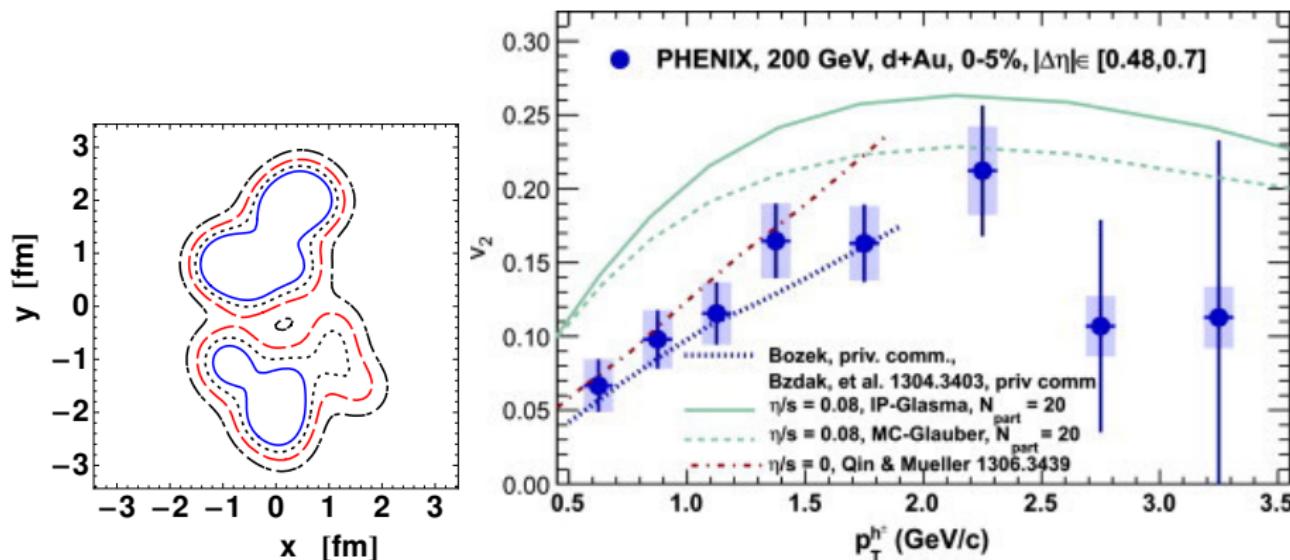
Collective response to geometry and fluctuations

many particles, final/intermediate-state interactions, generation of flow



# Small systems

“small” systems [PB 2011]

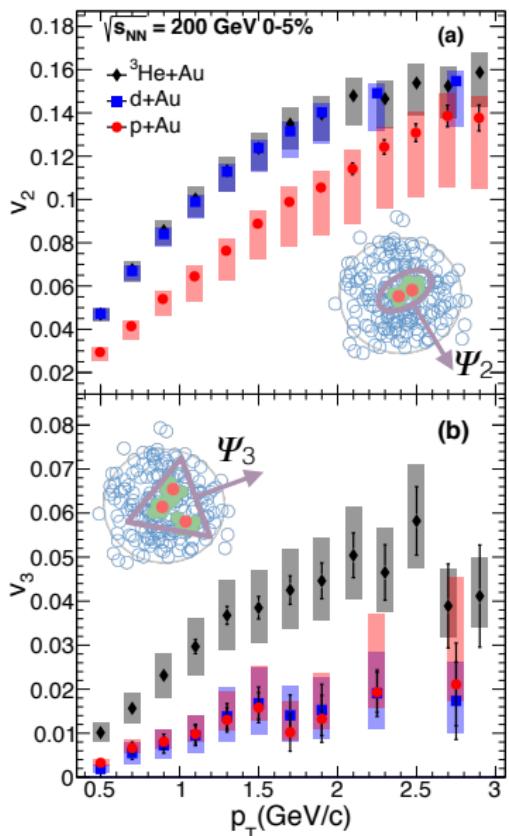
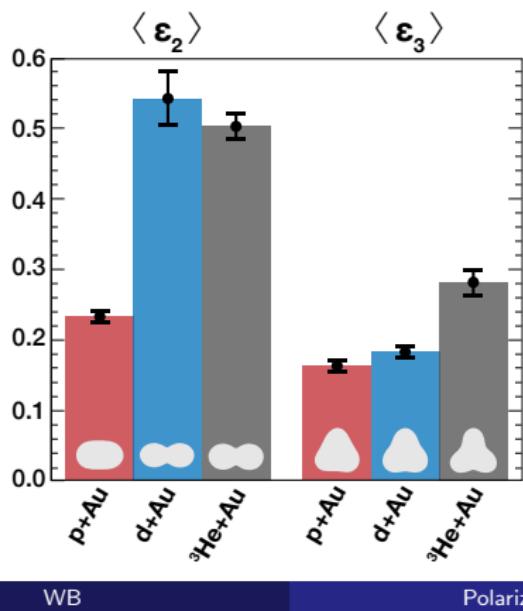


large deformation in  $d \rightarrow$  large eccentricity of geometry

→ large elliptic flow

# Flow hierarchy in small systems

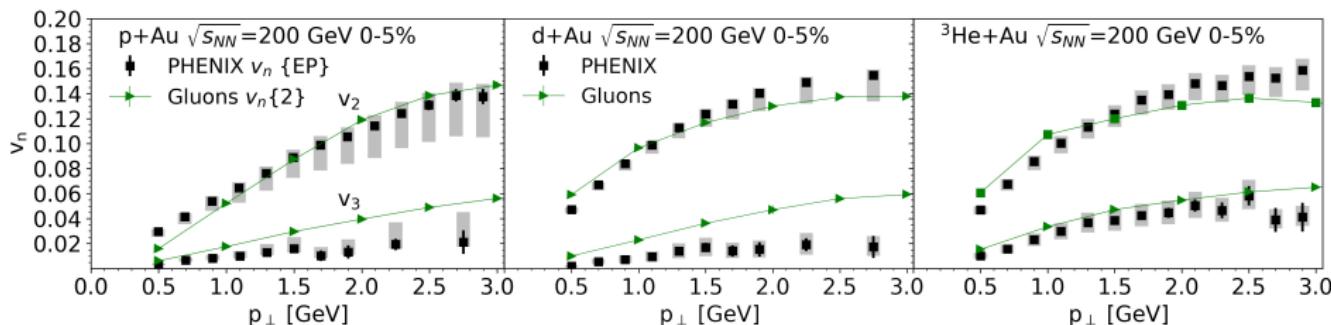
[PHENIX, arXiv:1805.02973]



# Color Glass Condensate

... correlations are predominantly generated from early coherent gluons → one expects that for configurations in high multiplicity d+A collisions color domains around separated projectile neutron and proton contribute independently. Then  $v_2$  in d+A would be smaller than in p+A, contrary to experiment. MSTV: high multiplicity events have larger saturation scales and specific orientation of the deuteron, with one nucleon behind the other (!)

[Mace, Skokov, Tribedy, Venugopalan, PRL 121 (2018) 052301 (1805.09342)]



Questioned in [Nagle, Zajc, arXiv:1808.01276] → controversy

# Correlation measurements

No control/knowledge of the principal axis



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$$\frac{dN}{d\phi_1 d\phi_2} \propto 1 + 2v_2^2\{2\} \cos [2(\phi_1 - \phi_2)] + \dots$$

# One-body $v_2\{\Phi_P\}$



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Advantageous from the experimental point of view  
CGC would produce no signal!

# Polarized deuteron

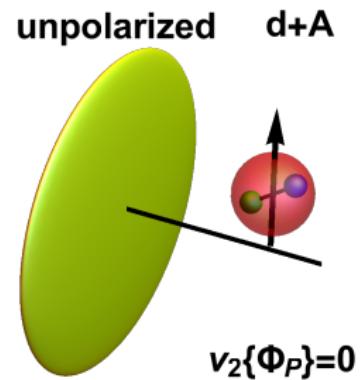
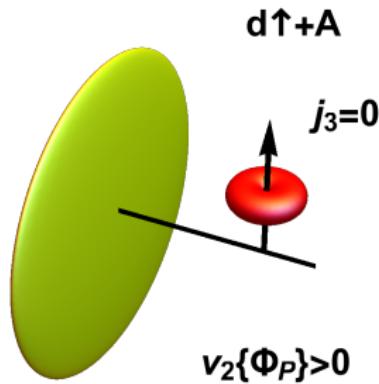
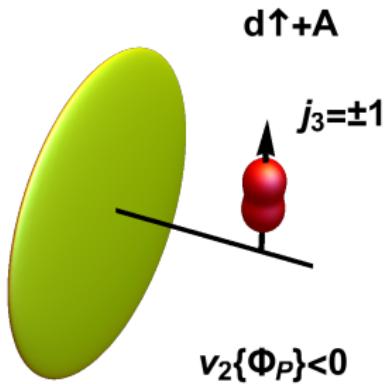
Motivation: hydro vs CGC dispute

# Deuteron

- $J^P = 1^+$ , can be polarized – not SF!
- predominantly  ${}^3S_1$ -wave
- small ( $\sim 5\%$ )  ${}^3D_1$ -wave admixture

$^{2S+1}L_j$  notation

# Cartoon



# Wave function

$$|\Psi(r; j_3)\rangle = U(r)|j = 1, j_3, \textcolor{blue}{L=0}, S=1\rangle + V(r)|j = 1, j_3, \textcolor{blue}{L=2}, S=1\rangle$$

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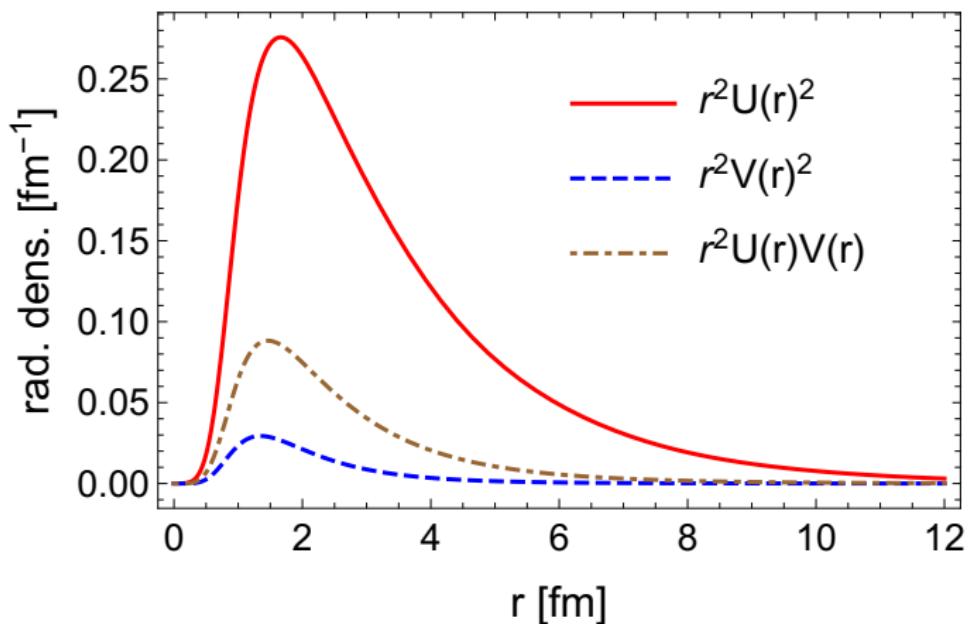
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Of course,

$$\sum_{j_3} |\Psi(r, \theta, \phi; j_3)|^2 = \frac{3}{4\pi} [U(r)^2 + V(r)^2]$$

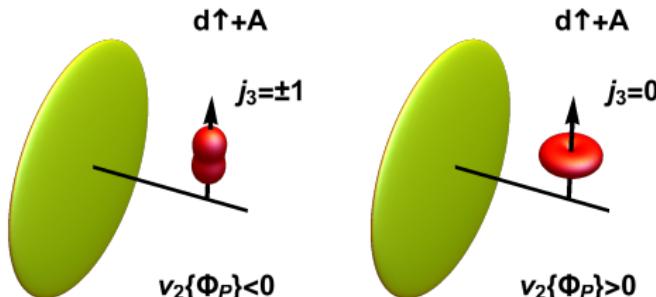


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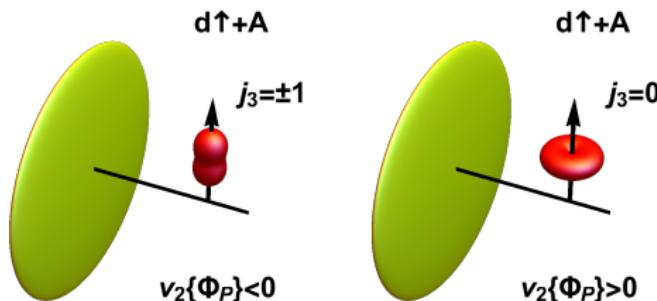
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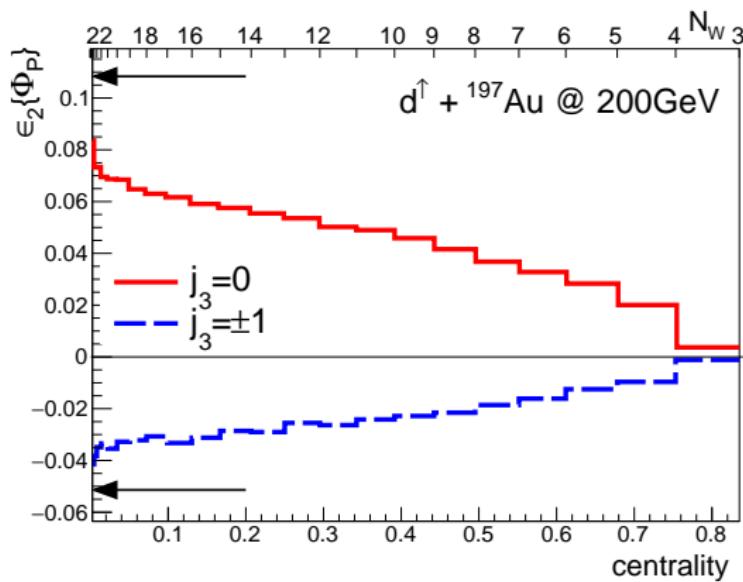


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# Ellipticity of the fireball relative to polarization axis

Wounded nucleon model from GLISSANDO

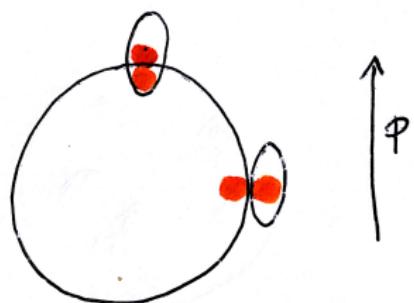


$\sim 30\%$  reduction from  $\epsilon_2^{|\Psi|^2}$  (arrows), washing out by nucleons from Au

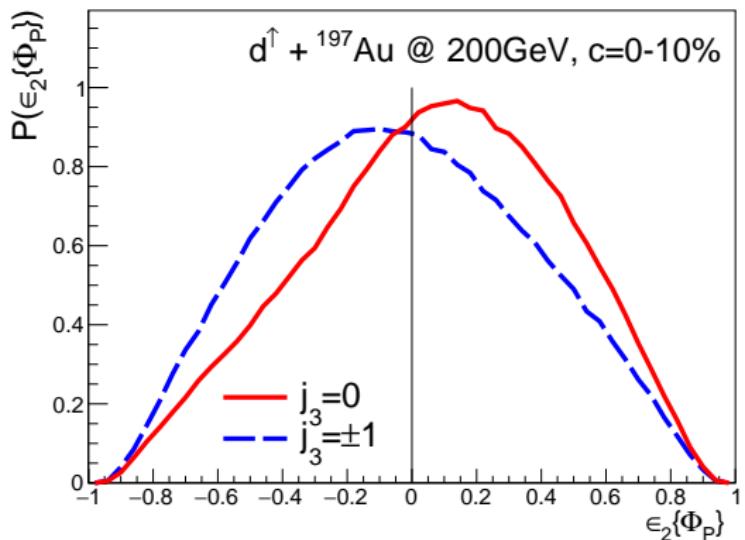
# Dependence on centrality

central - some washing off  $\sim 30\%$ )

peripheral - two-nucleon case (averages out to 0)



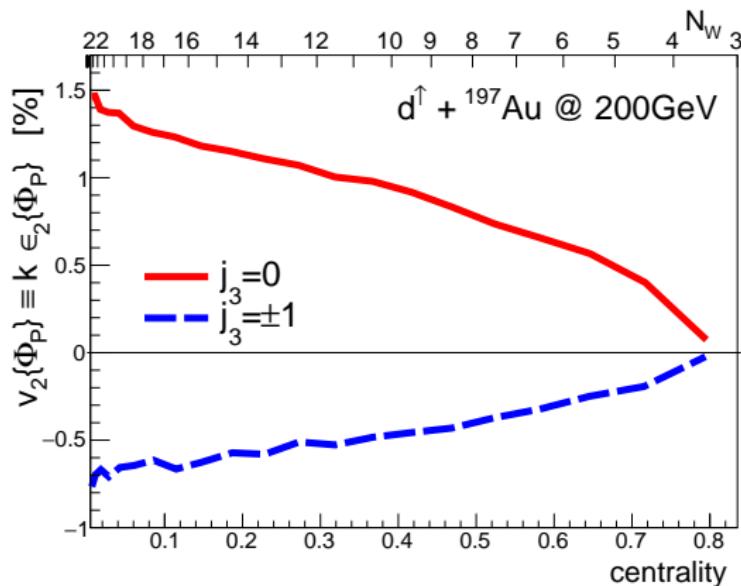
# Distribution of the ellipticity of the fireball (most central)



## $v_2\{\Phi_P\}$ (relative to the polarization axis)

$$\frac{dN}{d\phi} \propto 1 + 2v_2\{\Phi_P\} \cos [2(\phi - \Phi_P)]$$

$$v_2 \simeq k\epsilon_2, \quad k \sim 0.2$$



## $v_2\{\Phi_P\}$ with imperfect polarization

For  $j = 1$  nuclei, the *tensor polarization* is

$$P_{zz} = n(1) + n(-1) - 2n(0)$$

$n(j_3)$  – fraction of states with angular momentum projection  $j_3$

In our case

$$v_2\{\Phi_P\} \simeq k \epsilon_2^{j_3=\pm 1} \{\Phi_P\} P_{zz}$$

- max for  $P_{zz} = -2$ , reaching 1.5%
- min for  $P_{zz} = 1$ , reaching -0.75%

For the deuteron one can achieve  $-1.5 \lesssim P_{zz} \lesssim 0.7$  which yields

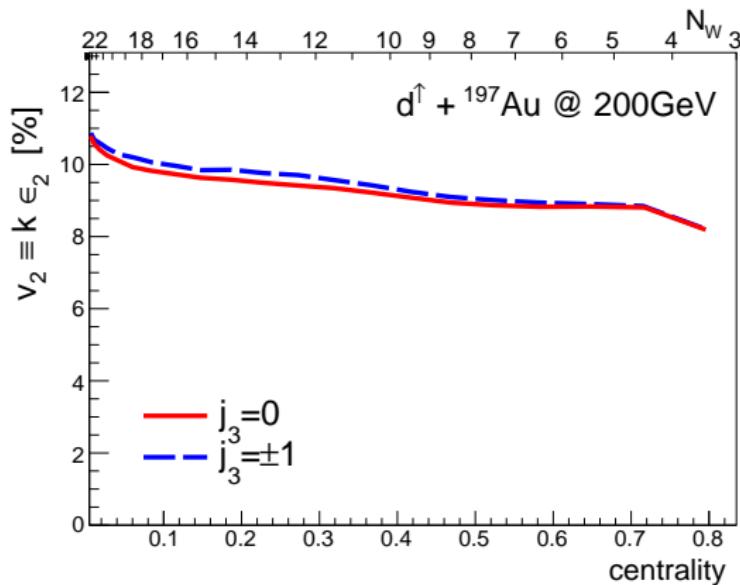
$$-0.5\% \lesssim v_2\{\Phi_P\} \lesssim 1\%$$

With the present accuracy of flow measurements could be measured!

Fixed target experiments - easier to polarize

# “Conventional” eccentricity

(evaluated wrt principal axis of the event)



Dominated by fluctuations, small relative effect

# Quadrupole moment

## Relation of $\epsilon_2\{\Phi_P\}$ to $Q_2$

Quadrupole moment:

$$Q_2 = \left\langle r^2 \sqrt{\frac{16\pi}{5}} Y_{20}(\Omega) \right\rangle = 2\langle z^2 - x^2 \rangle$$

$$\epsilon_2\{\Phi_P\} \equiv -\frac{\langle z^2 - x^2 \rangle}{\langle z^2 + x^2 \rangle} = -\frac{\langle z^2 - x^2 \rangle}{\langle \frac{2}{3}(z^2 + 2x^2) + \frac{1}{3}(z^2 - x^2) \rangle} = -\frac{3Q_2}{4Z\langle r^2 \rangle + Q_2}$$

Wigner-Eckart theorem ( $Q_2$  is a rank-2 tensor):

$$\langle jj_3 | \hat{Q}_{20} | jj_3 \rangle = \langle jj_3 20 | jj_3 \rangle \langle j | \hat{Q}_2 | j \rangle$$

The lowest possible  $j$  is 1 (no effect for  ${}^3\text{He}$  or tritium, where  $j = \frac{1}{2}$ )

# Ellipticity estimates based on nuclear data

	$j$	$j_3$	$\langle r^2 \rangle^{1/2}$ [fm]	$Q_2$ [fm $^2$ ]	$\epsilon_2^{ \Psi ^2} \{\Phi_P\}$ [%]
d	1	$\pm 1$	2.1414(25)	0.2860(15)	$\sim -5$
		0		$\times (-2)$	$\sim 10$
$^7\text{Li}$	$\frac{3}{2}$	$\pm \frac{3}{2}$	2.4	$\sim -4$	$\sim 15$
		$\pm \frac{1}{2}$		$\times (-1)$	$\sim -15$
$^9\text{Be}$	$\frac{3}{2}$	$\pm \frac{3}{2}$	2.5	$\sim -5$	$\sim -15$
		$\pm \frac{1}{2}$		$\times (-1)$	$\sim 15$
$^{10}\text{B}$	3	$\pm 3$	2.5	$\sim 8.5$	$\sim -20$

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## SMOG@LHCb



### Internal gas target experiments at the LHC

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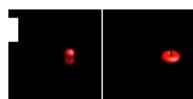
#### Elliptic flow in ultra-relativistic collisions with polarised deuterons



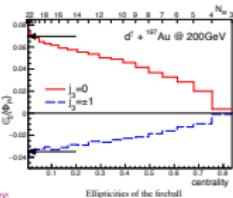
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Ridge and flow measurements, connected to collectivity phenomena, are among the most interesting results achieved in the last years in the QGP physics.

We can put this in connection with spin clarifying the nature of dynamics in small systems  
Its experimental confirmation would prove the presence of the shape-flow transmutation mechanism, typical of hydrodynamic expansion, or rescattering in the later stages of the fireball evolution



ultra-relativistic d+A collision, where the deuteron is polarised along the axis  $\Phi^P$  perpendicular to the beam



A polarised D-beam at BNL will not come in a near future

A polarised target at LHC can easily provide Pb  $D^\dagger$  collisions

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AFTER@LHC

## Plans for future fixed target experiments at the LHC



Town meeting: Relativistic Heavy Ion Physics  
CERN  
24 October, 2018

## Other opportunities: collective-like effects in Pb-D<sup>†</sup>

- Intrinsic deformation of polarized (transversally) deuteron → non-zero  $v_2$  in case of collective dynamics (hydro, transport models) wrt transverse target polarisation axis in Pb+D<sup>†</sup> for charged particles
- No azimuthal asymmetries expected from the correlation from gluon dynamics (CGC model): powerful probe to discriminate among models

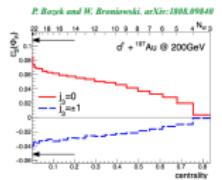
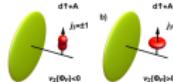


FIG. 3. Ellipticities of the fireball formed in polarized d+Au collisions at the center of  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV. The lower coordinate axis shows the entropy  $S$  defined via the modified entropy  $S$ . The top coordinate axis shows the corresponding number of the wounded nucleus. The arrows indicate the sign of the modulus squared of the deuteron wave function of Eq. (8).

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- Flow with polarized  $j \geq 1$  light nuclei – new proposal to probe the shape-flow transmutation in small systems
- Basic for understanding the nature of collective correlations:  
flow or CGC?
- Possible to test in future polarized fixed-target experiments
- Other opportunities:
  - ① Hard probes (jets, photons, heavy flavor mesons) could be measured relative to  $\Phi_P$
  - ② Interferometry correlations could be measured for the same-charge pion pairs emitted in the directions parallel or perpendicular to  $\Phi_P$   
→ azimuthal asymmetry of the pion emission source in the fireball could be observed