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# **PHENIX: Current and Future**

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# The PHENIX Detector

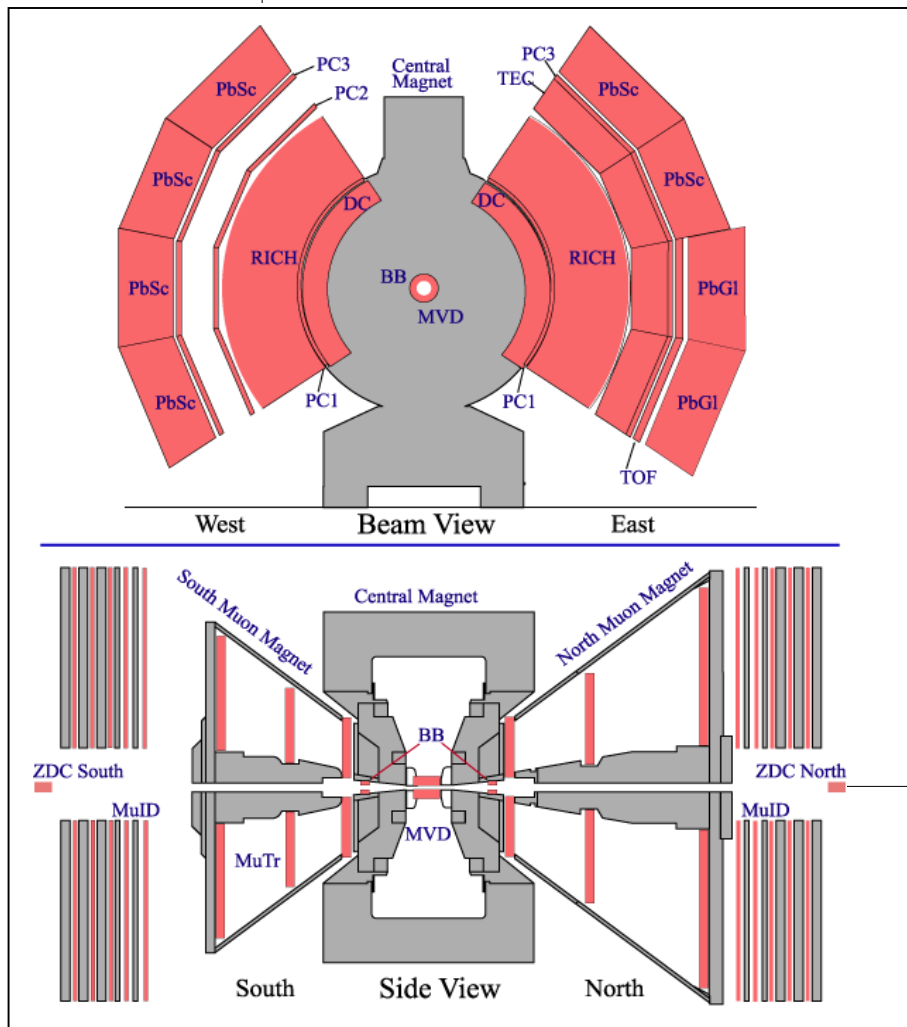
designed to measure rare probes:

Au-Au & p-p (spin)

+ high rate capability & granularity

+ good mass resolution and particle ID

- limited acceptance



● 2 central arms:  $|\eta| < 0.38$  at  $y=0$ ,  $\Delta\phi = \pi$   
**electrons, photons, hadrons**

- charmonium  $J/\psi, \psi' \rightarrow e^+e^-$
- vector meson  $\rho, \omega, \phi \rightarrow e^+e^-$
- high  $p_T$  pion  $\pi^0 \rightarrow \text{CC}$
- open charm, beauty ( $D, B \rightarrow e$ )

● 2 muon arms:  $1.2 < |\eta| < 2.4$ ,  $\Delta\phi = 2\pi$

**muons**

- “onium”  $J/\psi, \psi', Y \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$
- open charm, beauty ( $D, B \rightarrow \mu$ )

# OUTLINE

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- **Elliptic Flow**

  - Saturation of  $v_2$

  - $KE_T$  &  $n_{\text{quark}}$  scaling of  $v_2$

- **High  $P_T$  suppression**

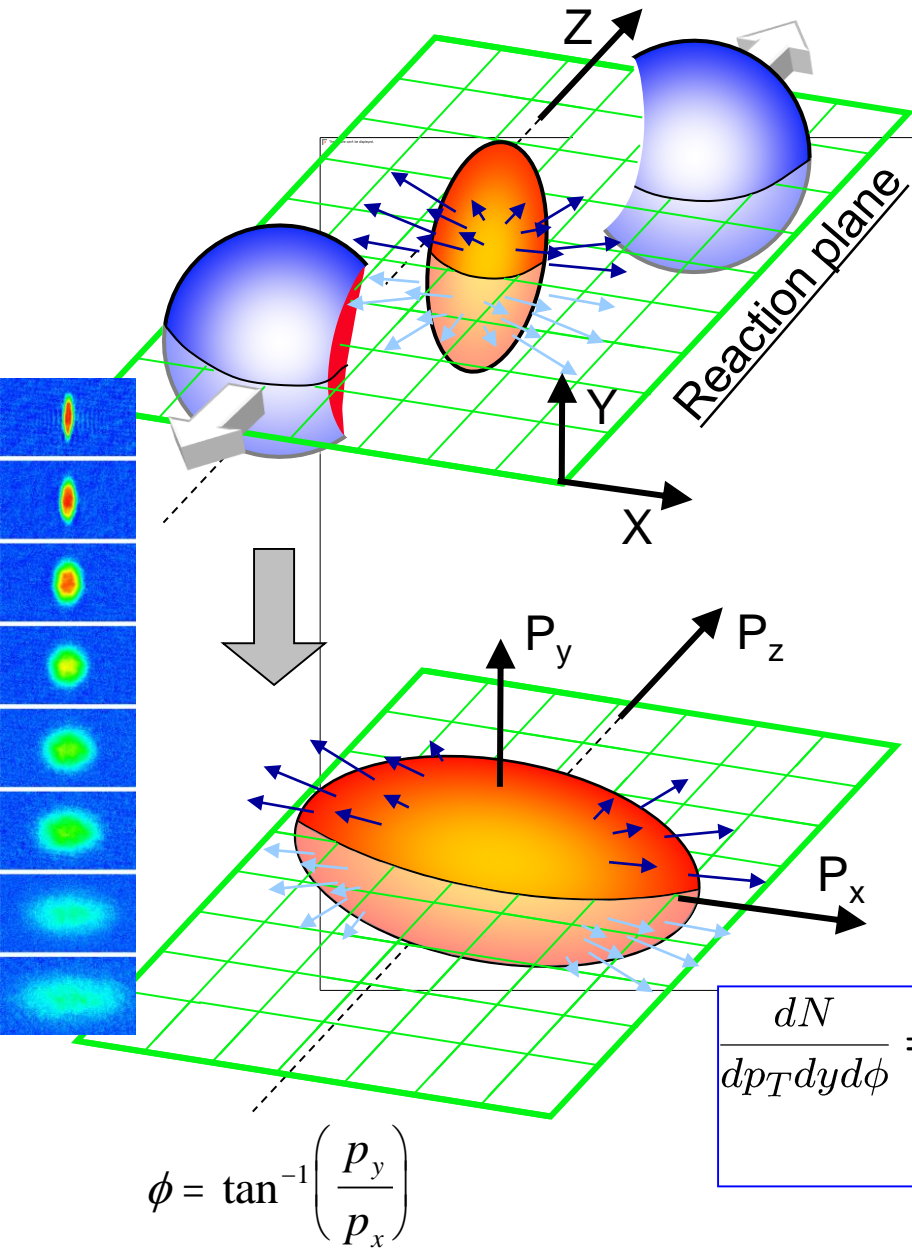
  - $R_{AA}$  for hadron, photon, and heavy quark

- **J/ $\Psi$  suppression**

  - $R_{dA}$  and  $R_{AA}$  for J/ $\Psi$  yield

- **PHENIX Upgrade**

# Why Elliptic Flow ?



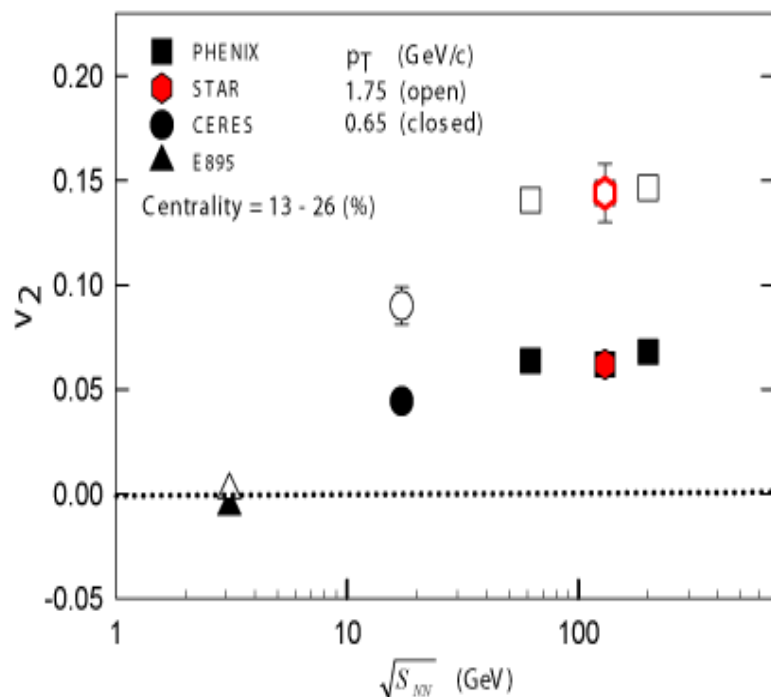
- Elliptic flow is generated early when the system is asymmetric: **sensitive to early dynamics**
- Pressure gradient is largest in the shortest direction of the ellipsoid
- **Spatial anisotropy** is transformed into **momentum anisotropy** as the system expands
- Maximum (Minimum) number of particles at  $\Phi=0, \pi$  ( $\Phi=\pi/2, 3\pi/2$ )
- Elliptic flow ( $v_2$ ) is defined by the 2<sup>nd</sup> coefficient of Fourier expansion, having the period of  $\pi$

$$\frac{dN}{dp_T dy d\phi} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{d^2 N}{dp_T dy} (1 + 2v_1 \cos(\phi) + 2v_2 \cos(2\phi) + \dots)$$

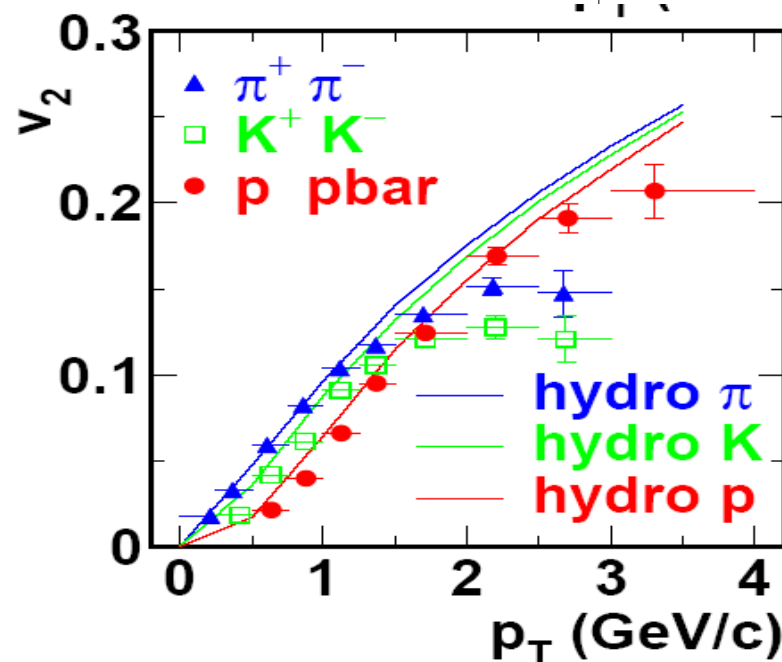
$$v_2 = \langle \cos(2\phi) \rangle$$

# Saturation and Hydrodynamic description of $v_2$

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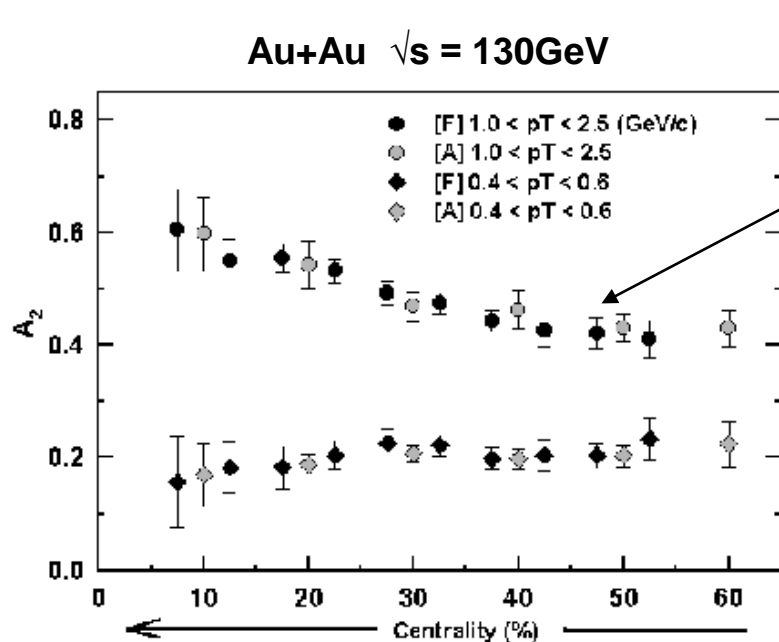
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$v_2$  increases by  $\sim 50\%$  from SPS to RHIC  
Saturation at  $\sqrt{s} = 62.4 \sim 200$  GeV  
Larger pressure (gradients) at RHIC

Elliptic flow well described by hydrodynamic models up to  $p_T \sim 1.5$  GeV/c

# Scaling tests : eccentricity scaling



PRL 89, 212301 (2002)

Ideal hydrodynamics is scale invariant. Hence,  $v_2$  should be independent of system size if ideal hydro applies

pairs from a common range (Fixed-pt), and from a fixed pt and outside this range (Assorted-pt)

$$A_2 = \frac{v_2}{\epsilon}$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{\langle y^2 \rangle - \langle x^2 \rangle}{\langle y^2 \rangle + \langle x^2 \rangle}$$

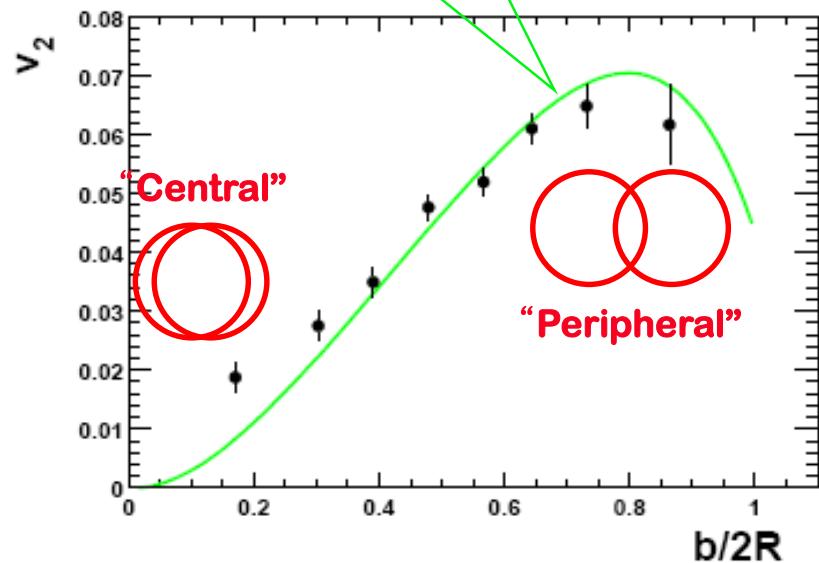
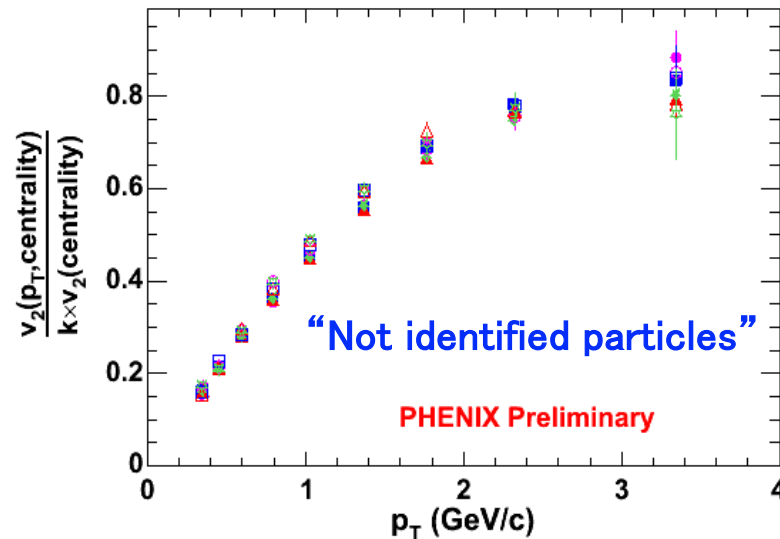
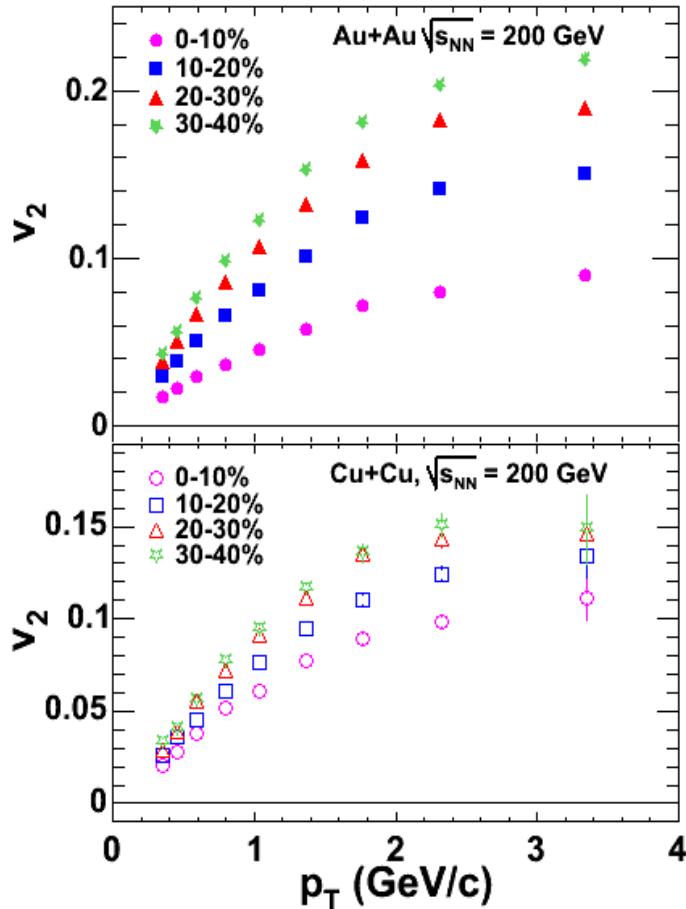


FIG. 3. Elliptic flow as a function of centrality defined from the fraction  $\sigma_{top}/\sigma_{geo}$ . The curve shows  $\epsilon$ , the initial space eccentricity of the overlap region, multiplied by 0.16.

# Eccentricity scaling and system size

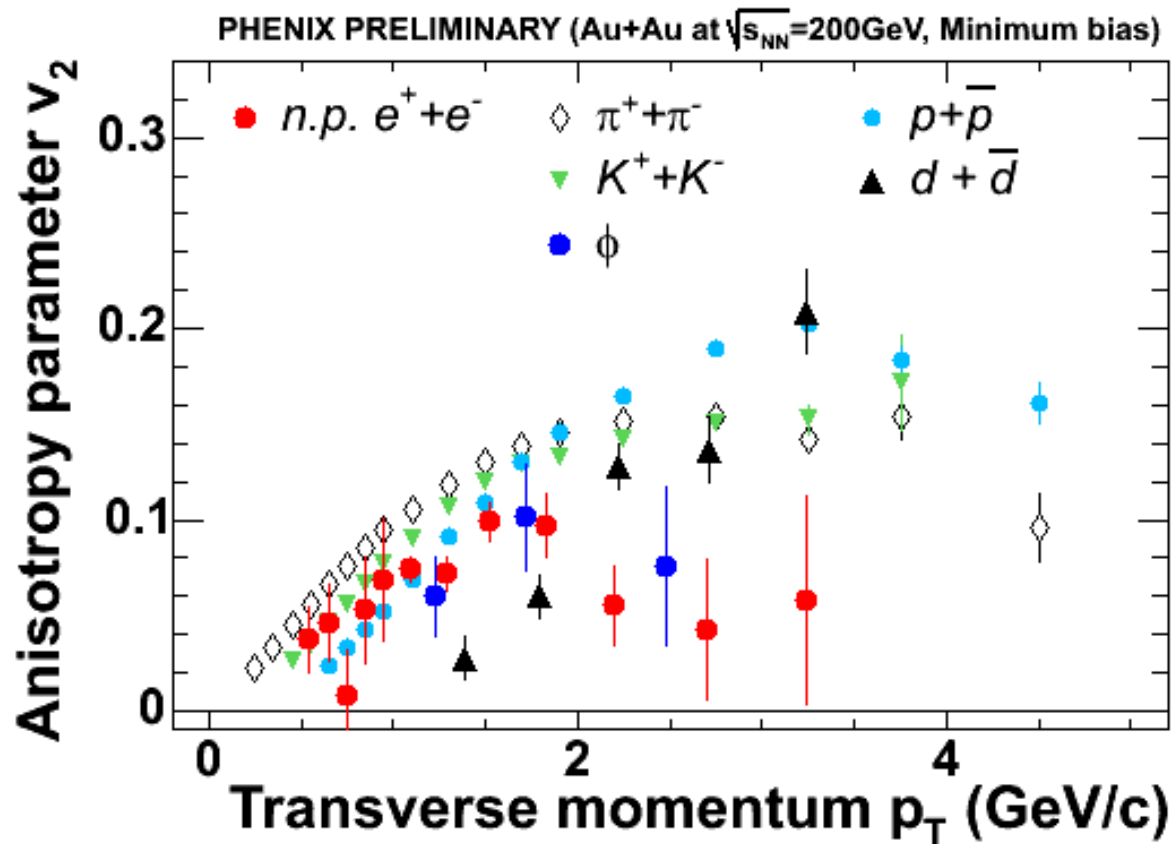
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For the  $v_2$  integrated over  $p_T$ , hydrodynamic model predicts:  $\epsilon = k v_2$   
 $\epsilon$  from Glauber model:  $k=3.1$

- $v_2$  scales with eccentricity across system size (Au+Au, Cu+Cu)
- Indicates high degree of thermalization of the matter at RHIC

# v2 of identified particles in PHENIX

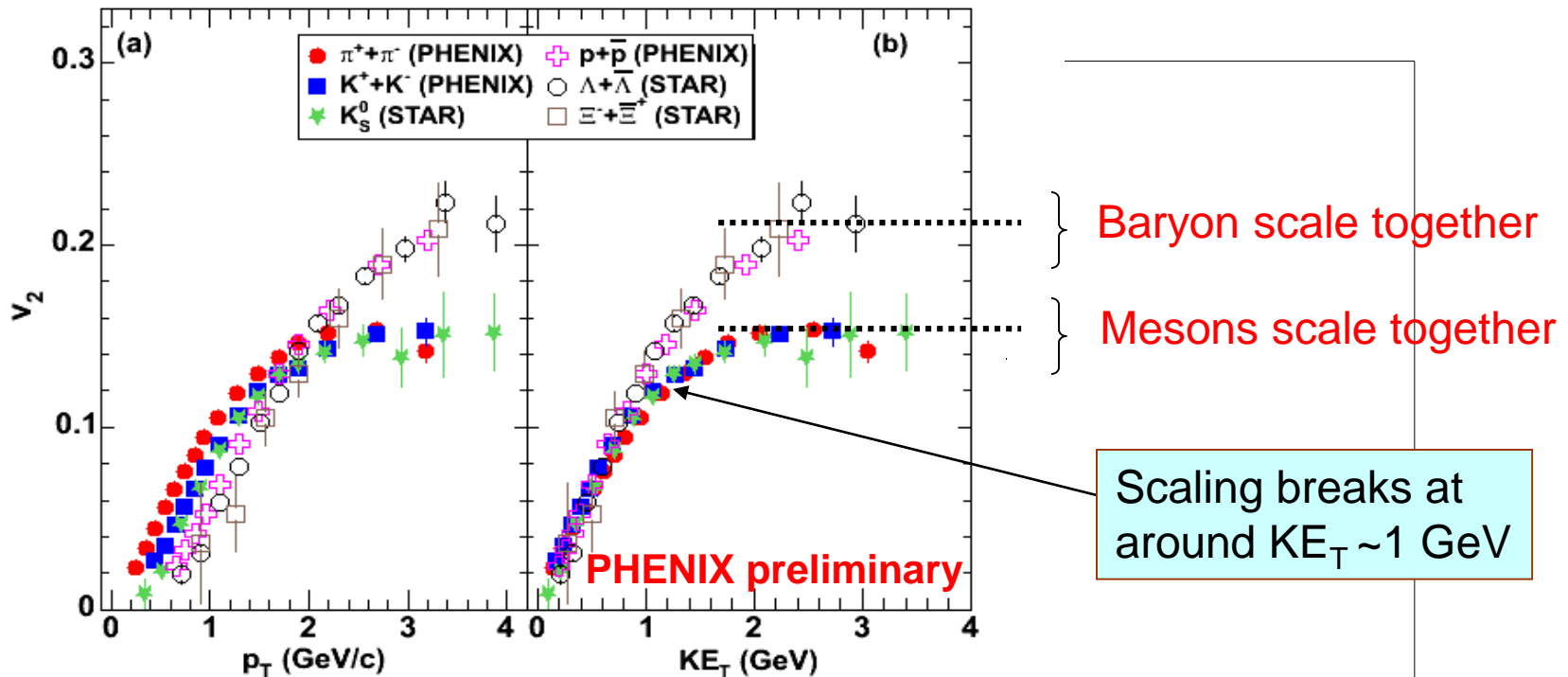


Significant elliptic flow observed for all identified particles



# Transverse kinetic energy as a scaling variable

Min. bias Au+Au



- Pressure gradients convert some work into kinetic energy
- Hence,  $KE_T$  is a natural variable to use for testing hydrodynamic behavior
- Very good scaling of  $v_2$  with  $KE_T$  seen for  $KE_T \leq 1$  GeV
- Two separate branches appear for mesons and baryons at  $KE_T > 1$  GeV
- Hint of quark degrees of freedom due to partonic flow

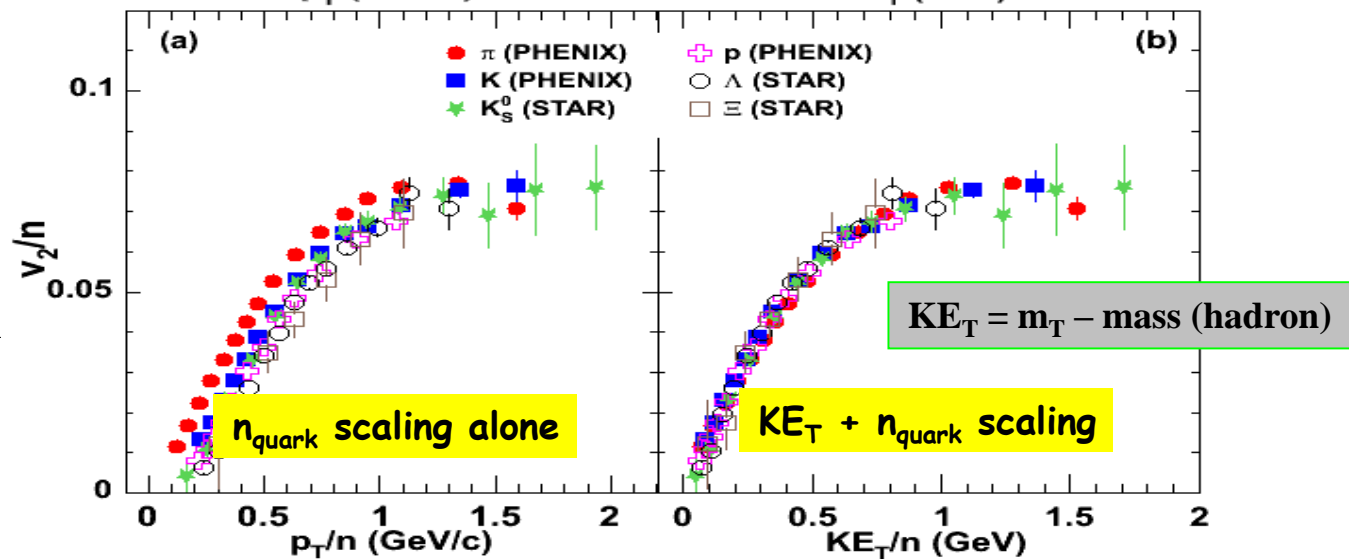
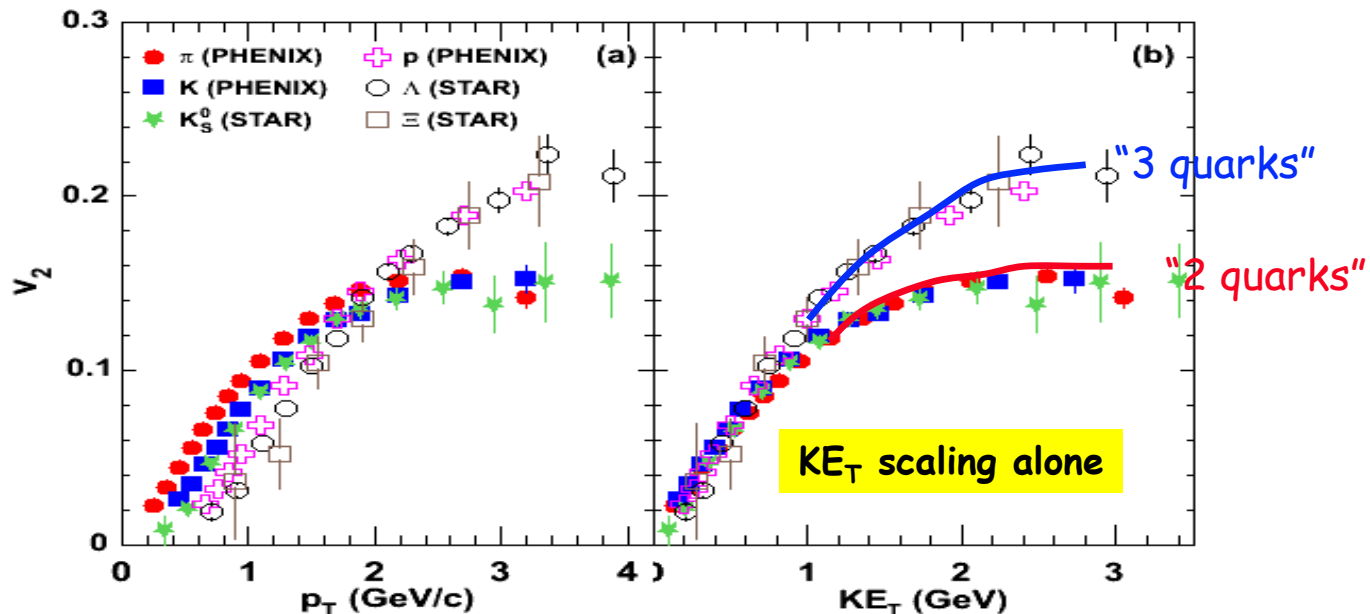
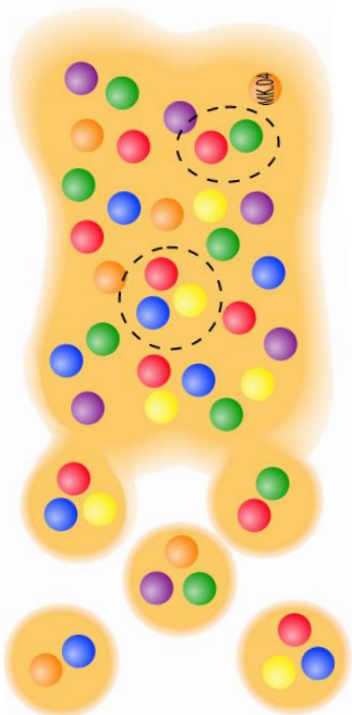
# KE<sub>T</sub> & n<sub>quark</sub> scaling of v<sub>2</sub>

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Quark coalescence:

$$v_2^{\text{hadron}}(p_T) \approx n \times v_2^{\text{quark}}(p_T/n)$$

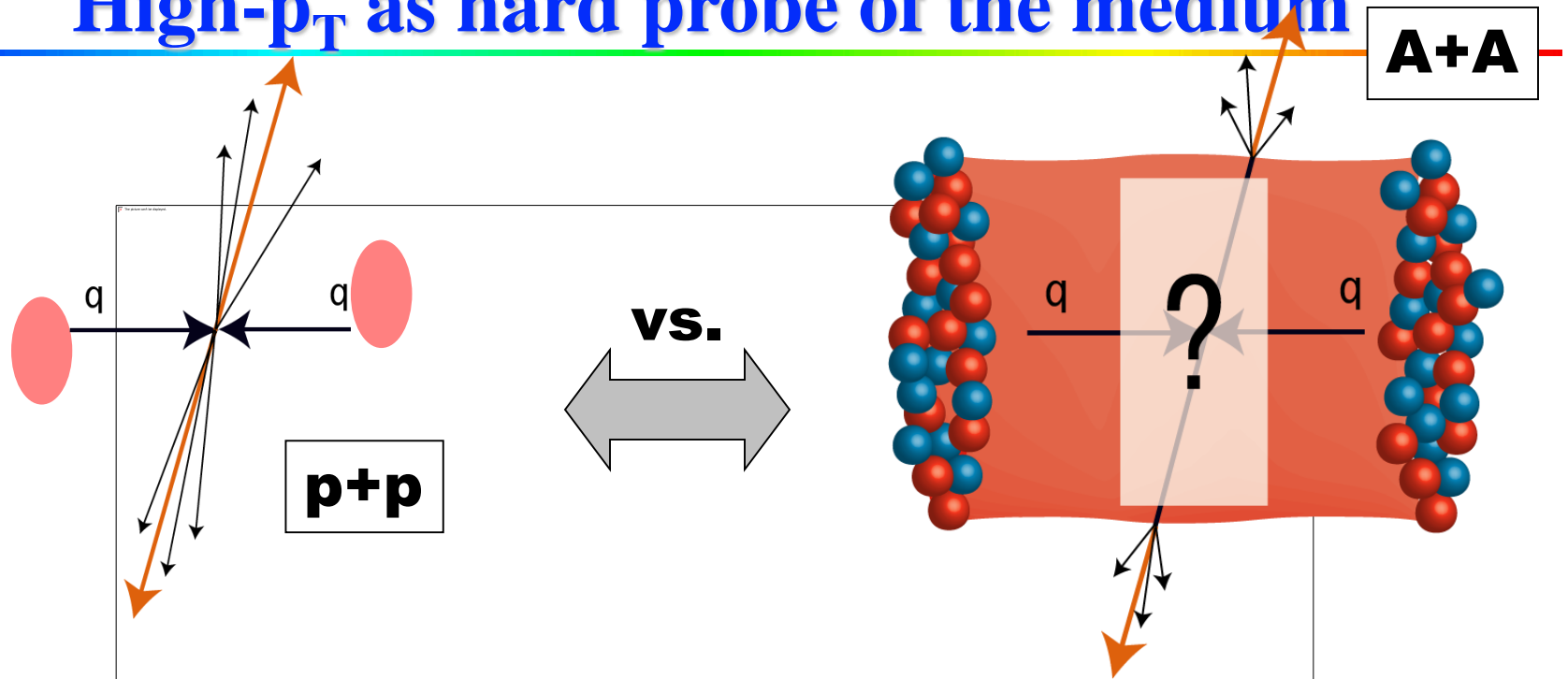


# Summary: Elliptic Flow

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- Charged hadron  $v_2$  increases by  $\sim 50\%$  from SPS to RHIC and saturates at  $\sqrt{s} = 62.4 \sim 200$  GeV
- $v_2$  scales with eccentricity across system size, independent of system size and centrality, indicating high degree of thermalization at RHIC
- PHENIX has measured the  $v_2$  of  $\pi^\pm$ ,  $K^\pm$ ,  $p$ ,  $\bar{p}$  in detail, as well as  $v_2$  of  $\Phi$  and deuteron
- Parton number scaling appears to be better described by  $KE_T/n$  than  $p_T/n$
- The observation of the scaling with  $KE_T/n$  needs to be better understood and could be served as input to model comparisons

# High- $p_T$ as hard probe of the medium

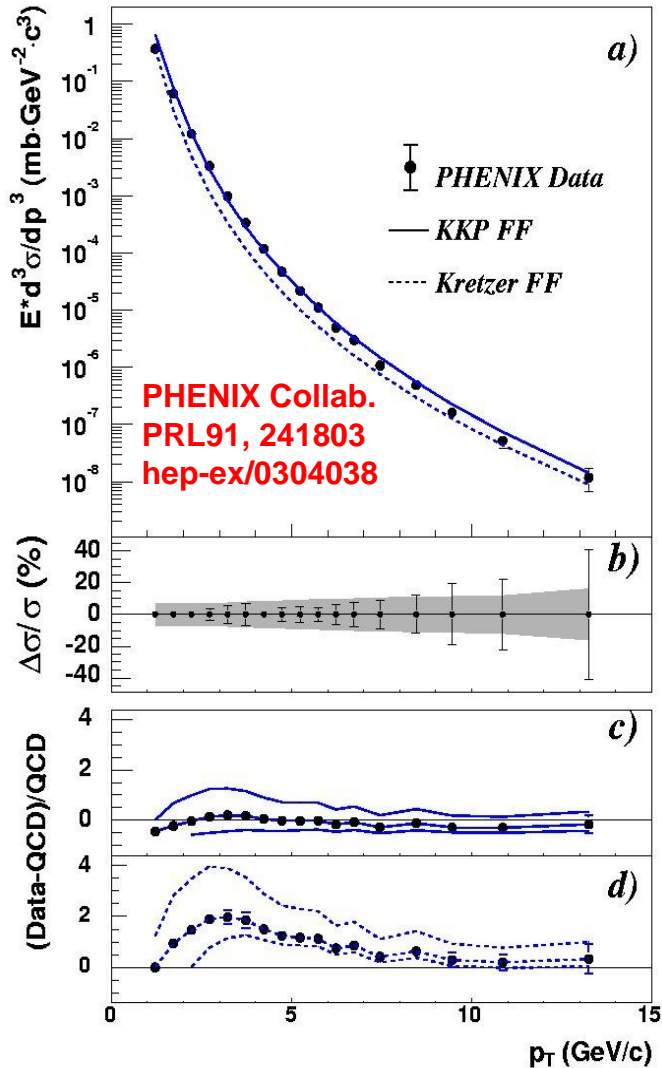


- Hard-scattering cross-section is large in high energy collisions
- Initial yields and  $p_T$  distributions can be predicted from p+p measurements + pQCD + collision geometry + cold (initial) nuclear effects
  - Critical to perform measurements in reference p+p and p(d)+A systems
- Observed deviations from reference measurements can be attributed to the medium

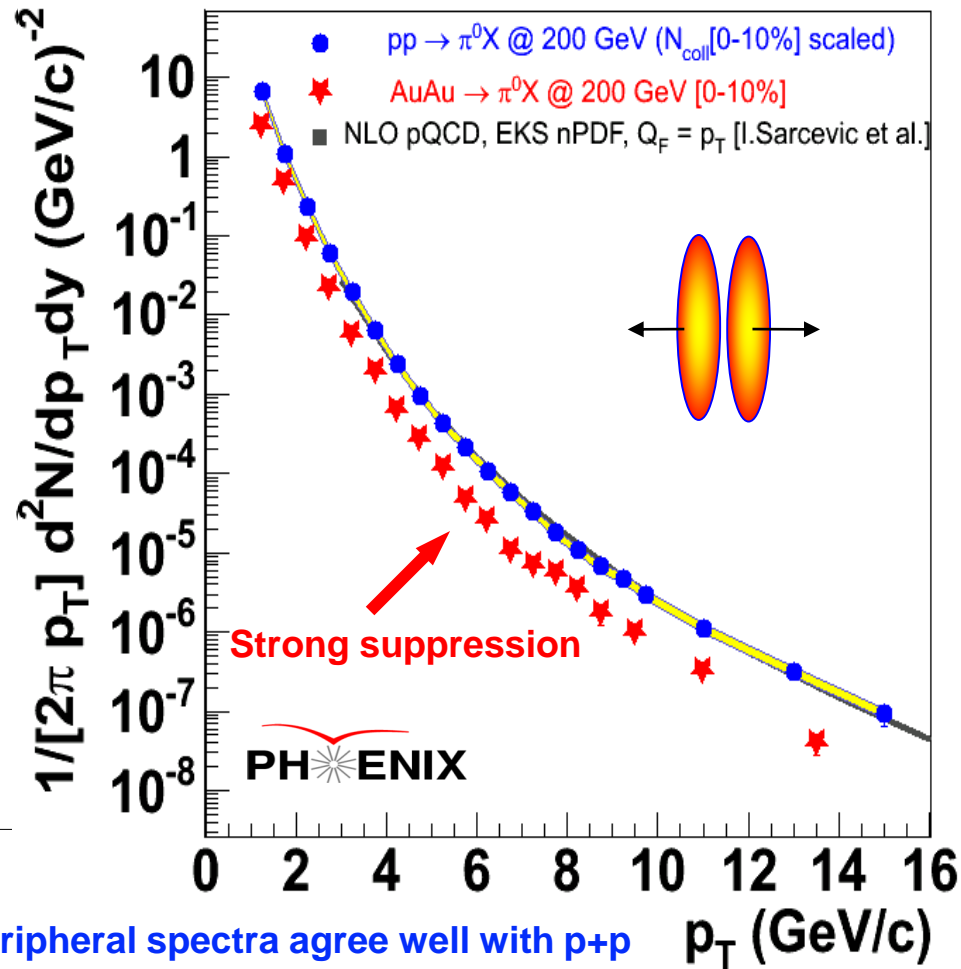
# Do we observe hard-scattering?

## Single-particle spectrum and QCD predictions

$$p+p \rightarrow \pi^0 + X$$



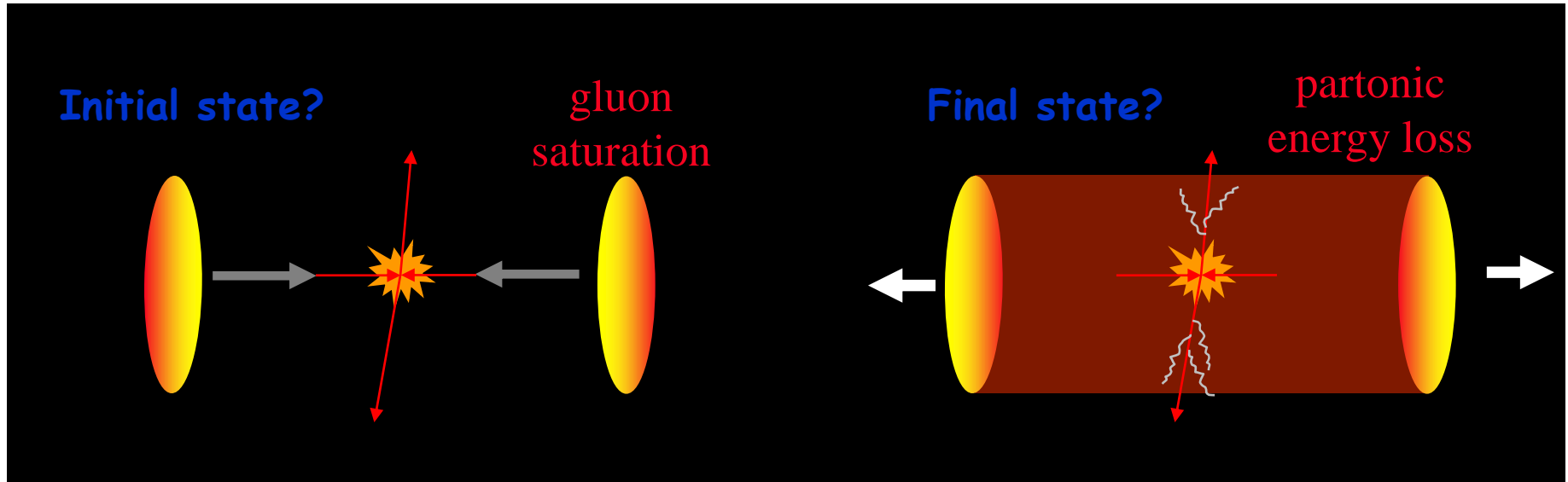
$$\text{Au+Au} \rightarrow \pi^0 + X \text{ (central)}$$



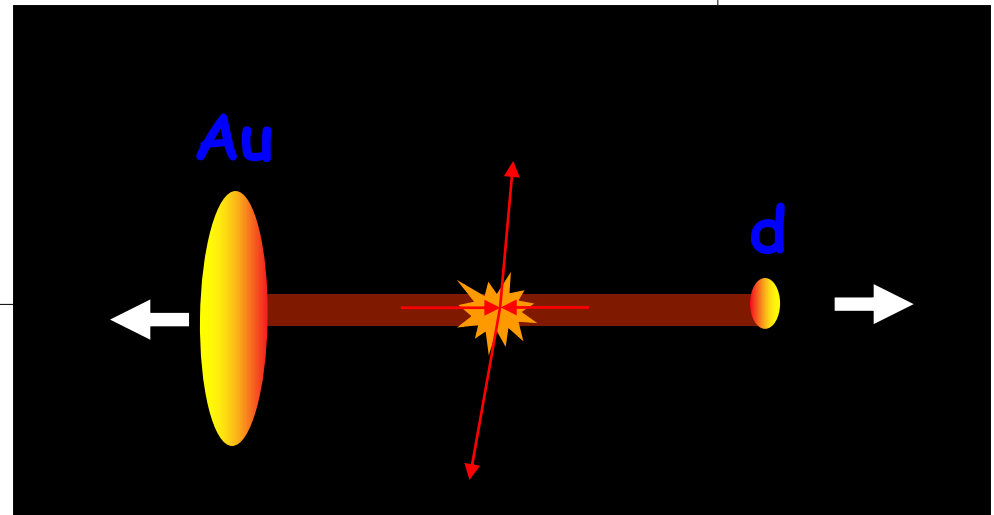
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Central data exhibits suppression:  $R_{AA} = \text{red/blue} < 1$

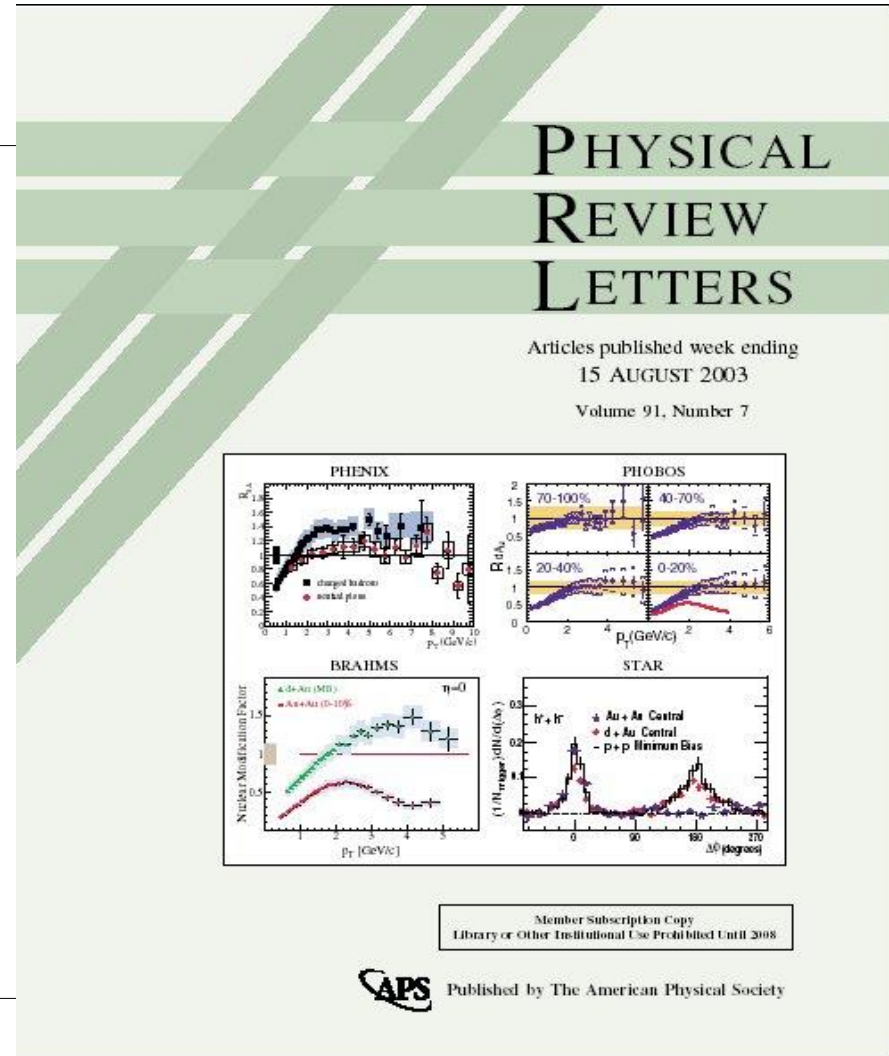
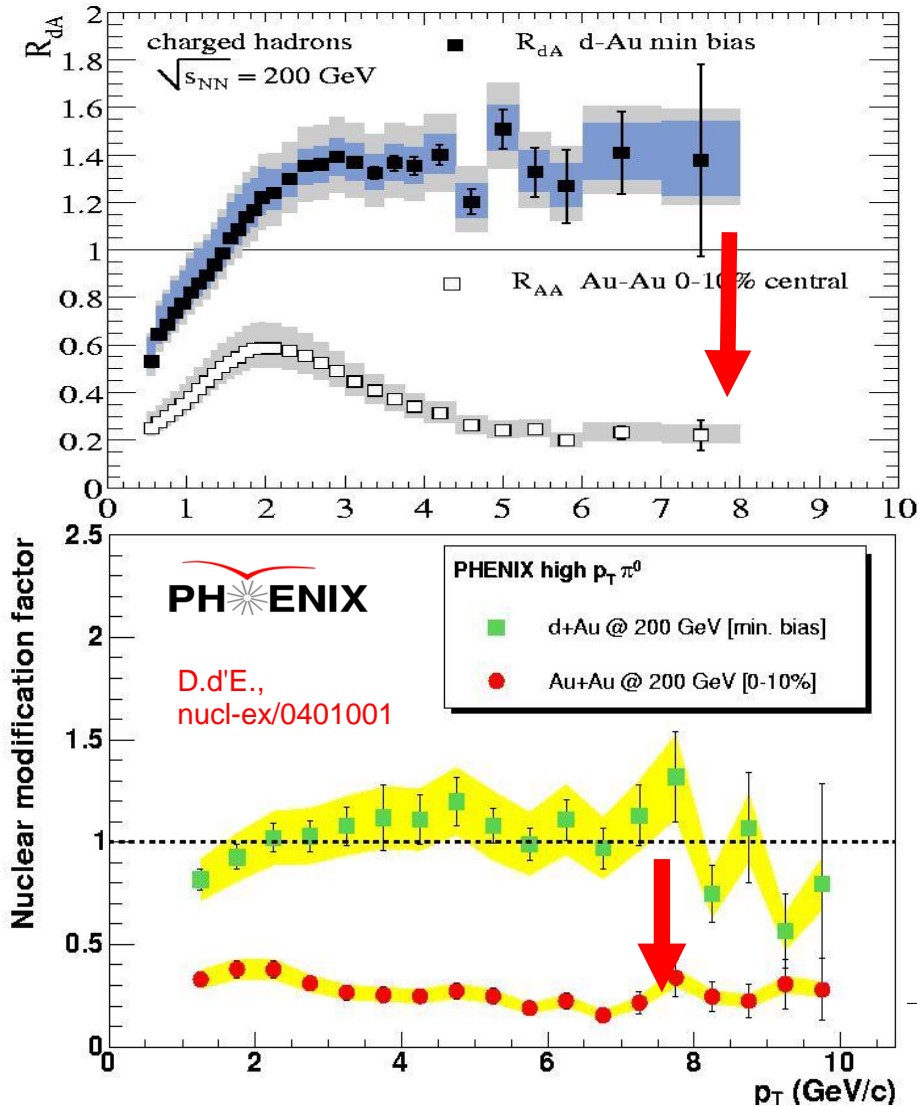
# Is suppression an initial or final state effect?



How to discriminate?  
- Turn off final state  
 $\Rightarrow$  **d+Au collisions**



# Absence of suppression in d+Au

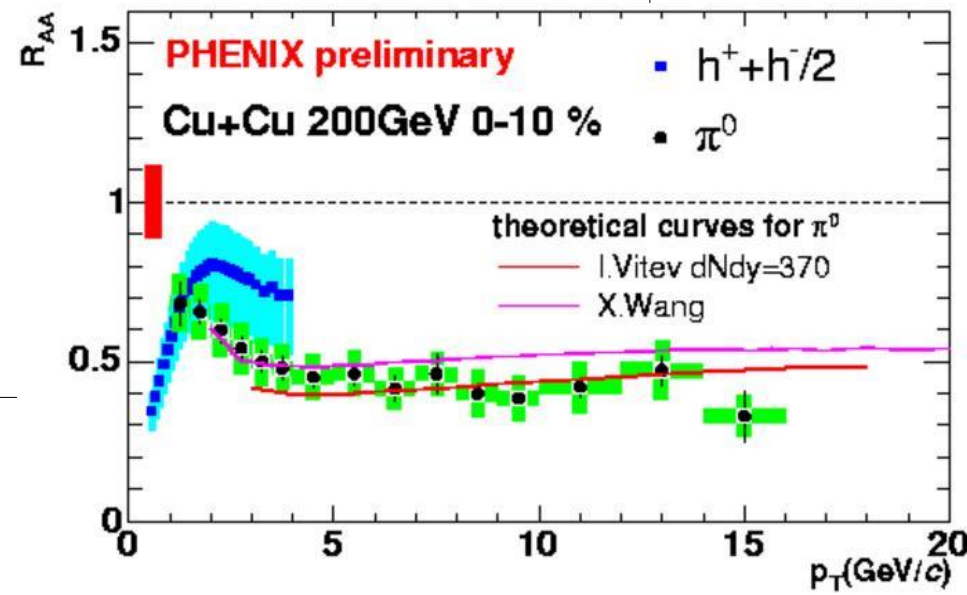
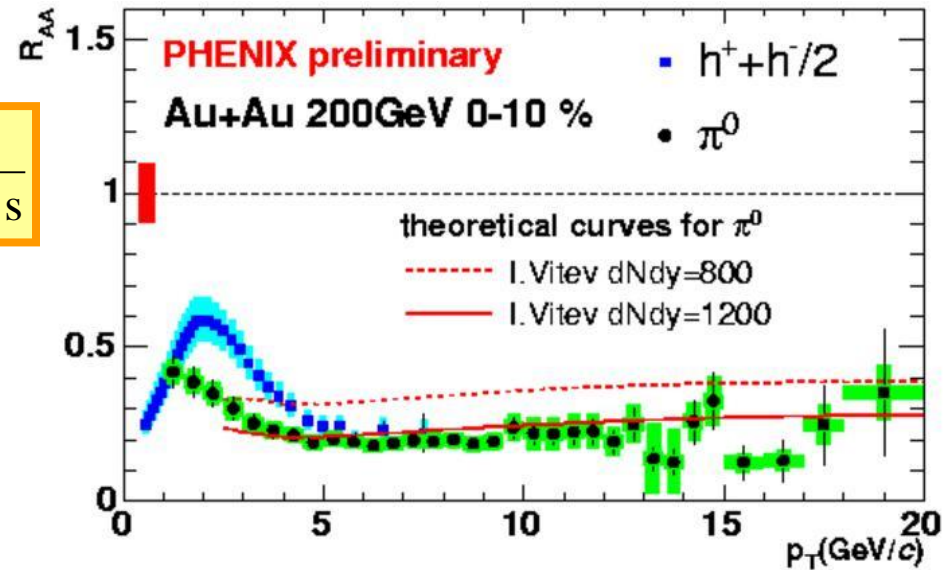


High  $p_T$  suppression in central Au+Au due to final-state effects (absent in d+Au), indicating jet-quenching in QGP.

# Modeling $R_{AA}(p_T)$ of Au+Au and Cu+Cu

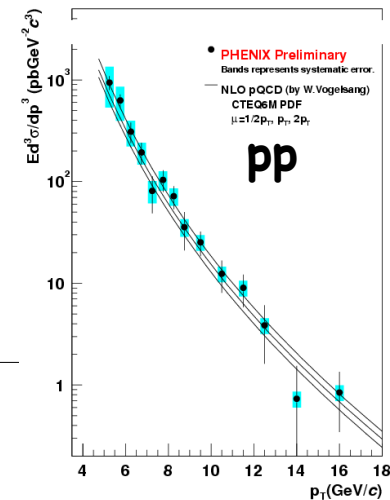
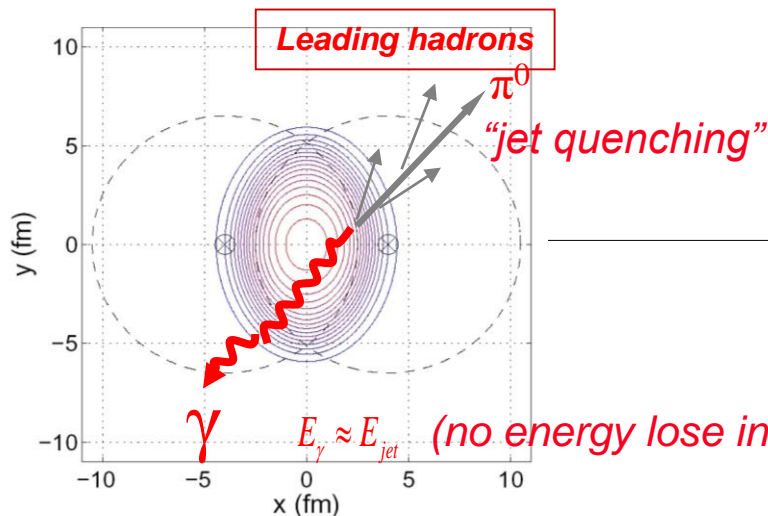
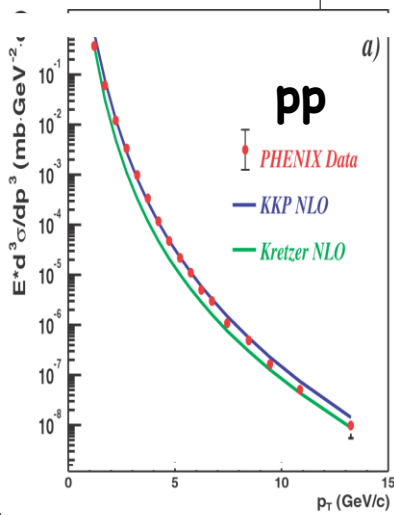
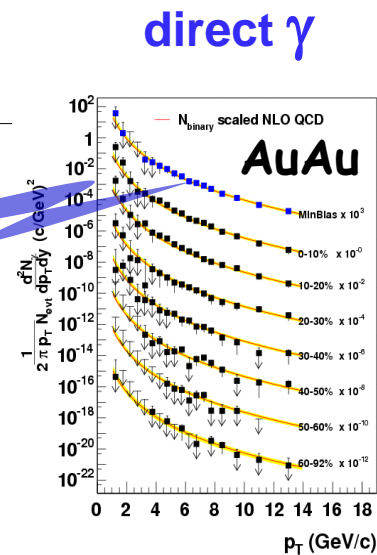
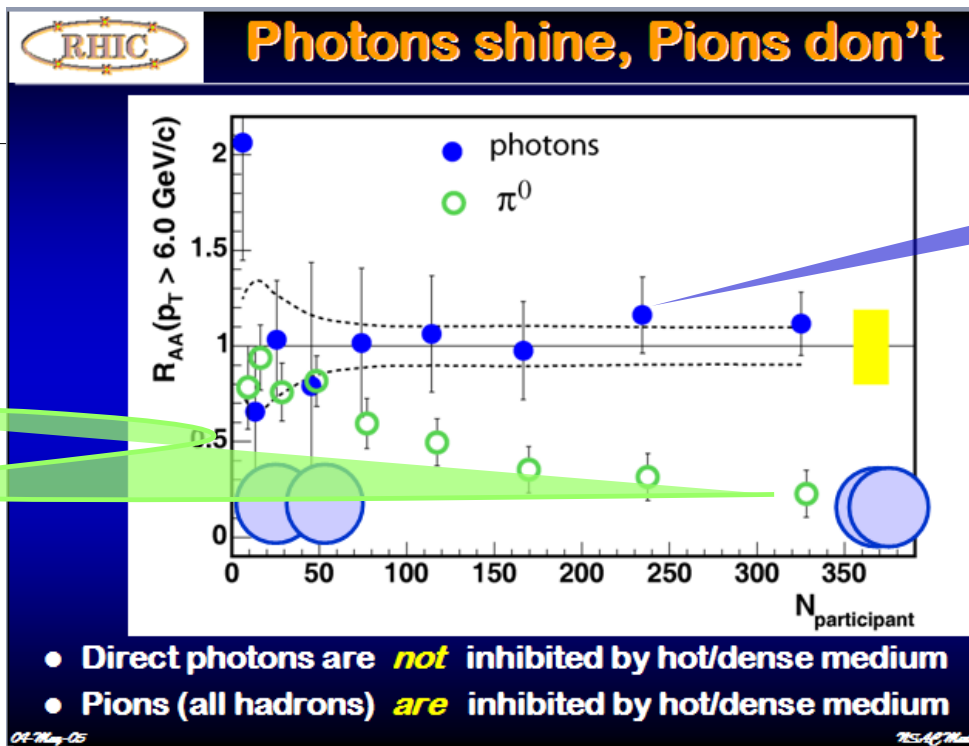
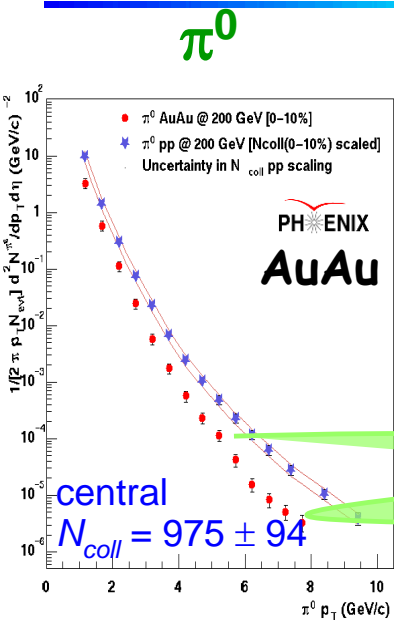
$$R_{AA}(p_T) = \frac{\text{Measured yield in A + A}}{\text{Expectation for indep. N + N scattering}}$$

- $R_{AA}$  for central Au+Au
  - Suppression strong and nearly constant up to 20 GeV/c
  - Consistent with  $dN_g/dy \sim 1200$
- $R_{AA}$  for central Cu+Cu
  - Also suppressed to high- $p_T$
  - Consistent with  $dN_g/dy \sim 370$



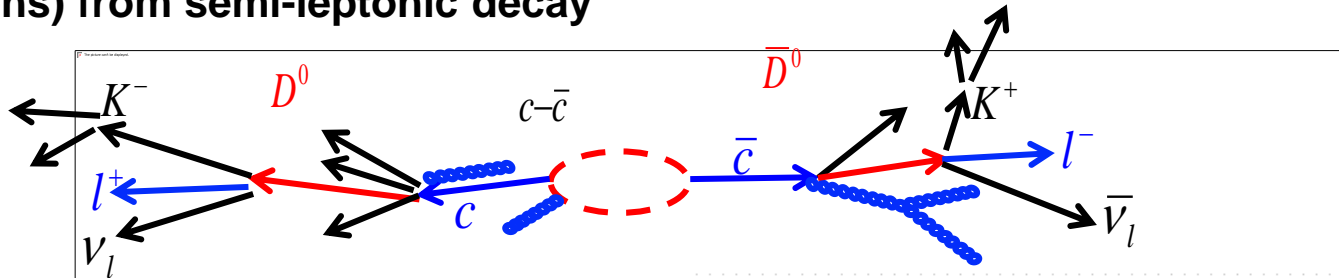


# Direct Photons vs hadrons



# Heavy Quark Energy Loss

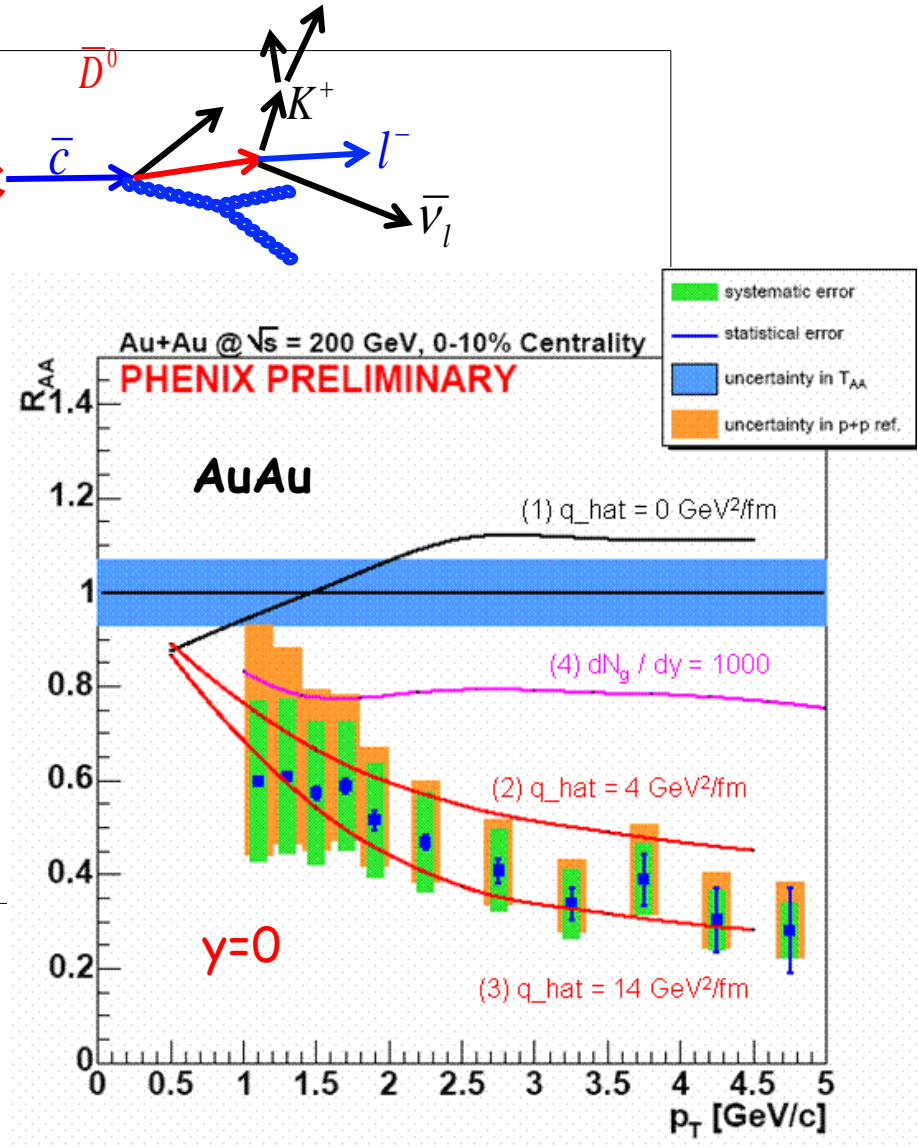
Heavy-quark energy loss can be studied by detecting single leptons (electrons or muons) from semi-leptonic decay



The data suggest large c-quark-medium cross section; evidence for strongly coupled QGP?

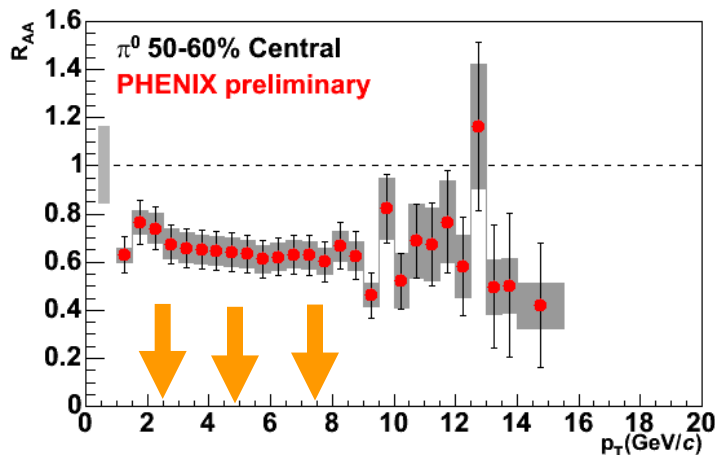
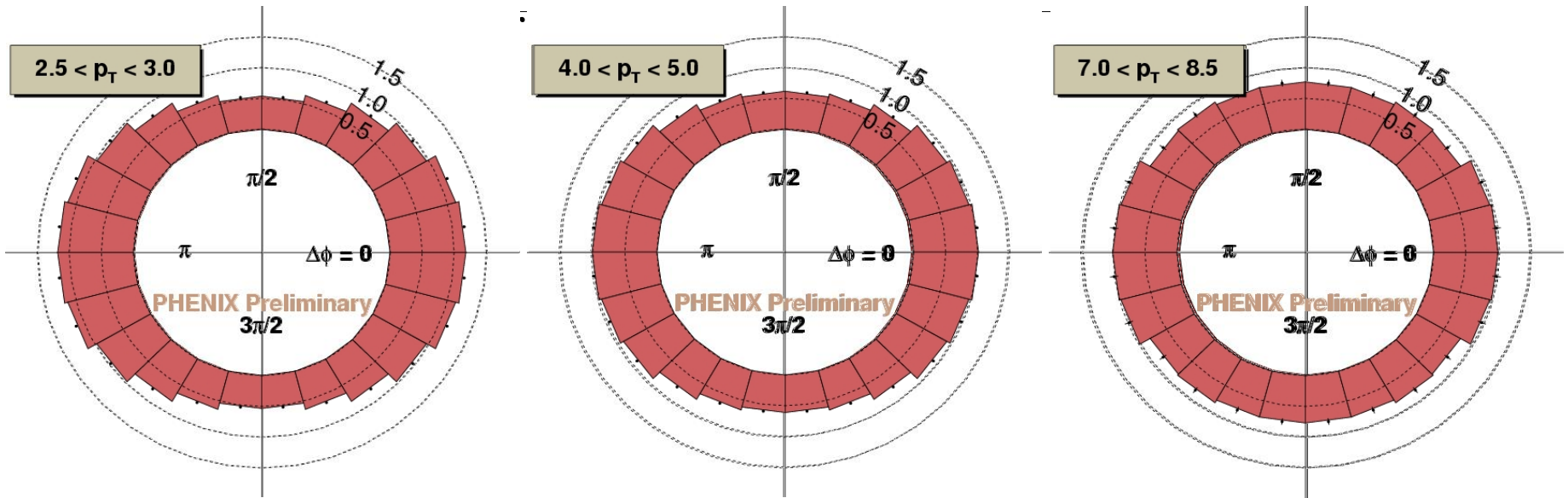
Theory curves at right:

- (1-3) from N. Armesto, *et al.*, PRD 71, 054027
- (4) from M. Djordjevic, M. Gyulassy, S.Wicks, PRL 94, 112301

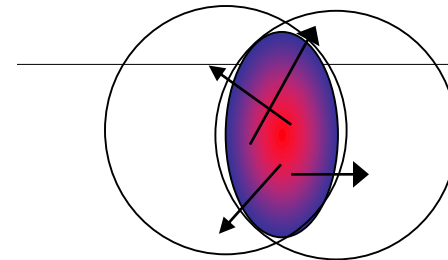


# $R_{AA}$ as function of angle wrt Reaction Plane

$R_{AA}(\Delta\phi, p_T)$  plotted in polar coords (folded to  $2\pi$ ) D. Winter: CIPANP 2006



For peripheral collisions;  
more energy lose at  $\Delta\phi=\pi/2$  than  $\Delta\phi=0$



$$\Delta E \propto L^2$$

# Summary: High $P_T$ suppression

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- Strong ( $R_{AA} \sim 0.2$ ) high  $p_T$  suppression of  $\pi_0$  up to 20 GeV for central Au+Au
- Absence of the high  $p_T$  suppression for d+Au, indicating high  $p_T$  **suppression in central Au+Au is due to final-state effects**
- As expected, **no high  $p_T$  suppression for photons** which does not lose energy in the QCD medium
- The data suggest **large heavy-quark energy loss**; evidence for strongly coupled QGP (sQGP) ?
- Reaction plane dependence for peripheral collisions; more energy loss at  $\Delta\Phi=\pi/2$  (longer axis) than  $\Delta\Phi=0$

# Quarkonia in the Medium

## Quarkonia Production

hard scattering processes result in the production of heavy quark pairs that interact with the collision medium

In medium interactions convey information about the fundamental properties of the medium itself

Competing effects are predicted for  $J/\psi$  production

- $J/\psi$  color screening:

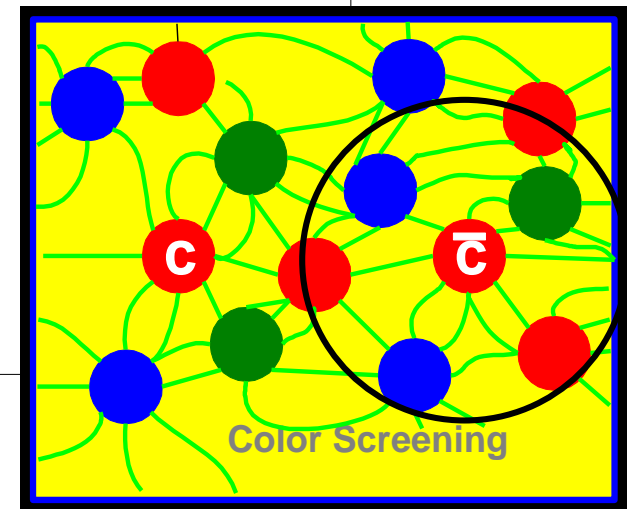
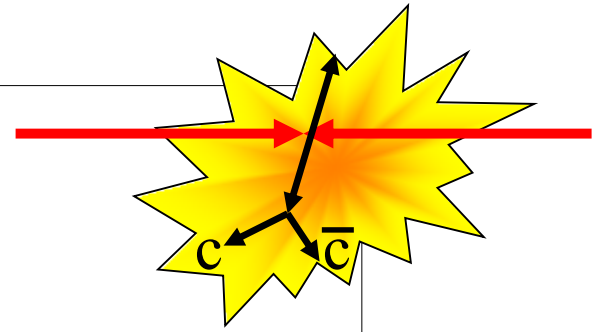
- Suppression of  $J/\psi$  yield with increasing collision centrality

- $J/\psi$  recombination:

- Increased  $J/\psi$  yield with increasing collision centrality

- Narrowed  $J/\psi$  rapidity and  $p_T$  distributions with increasing centrality

- Shadowing, Heavy quark energy loss, Normal nuclear absorption, etc



# Studying $J/\Psi$ suppression

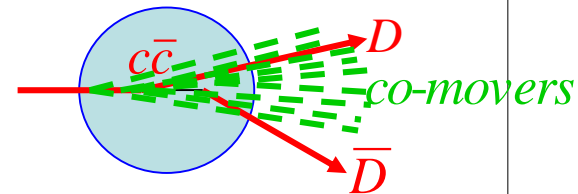
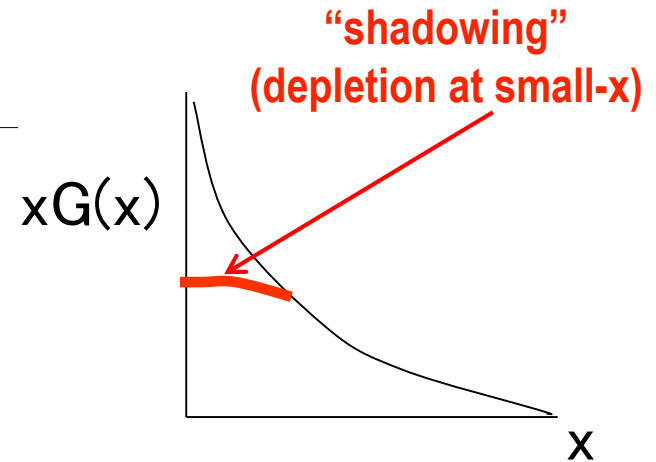
Sensitive to **initial state effects** such as:  
shadowing (depletion of low-momentum partons in nuclei) and anti-shadowing

and **final state effects** such as:

- normal nuclear absorption
- interaction with comovers
- recombination of charm quarks.

## Studying $J/\Psi$ suppression requires

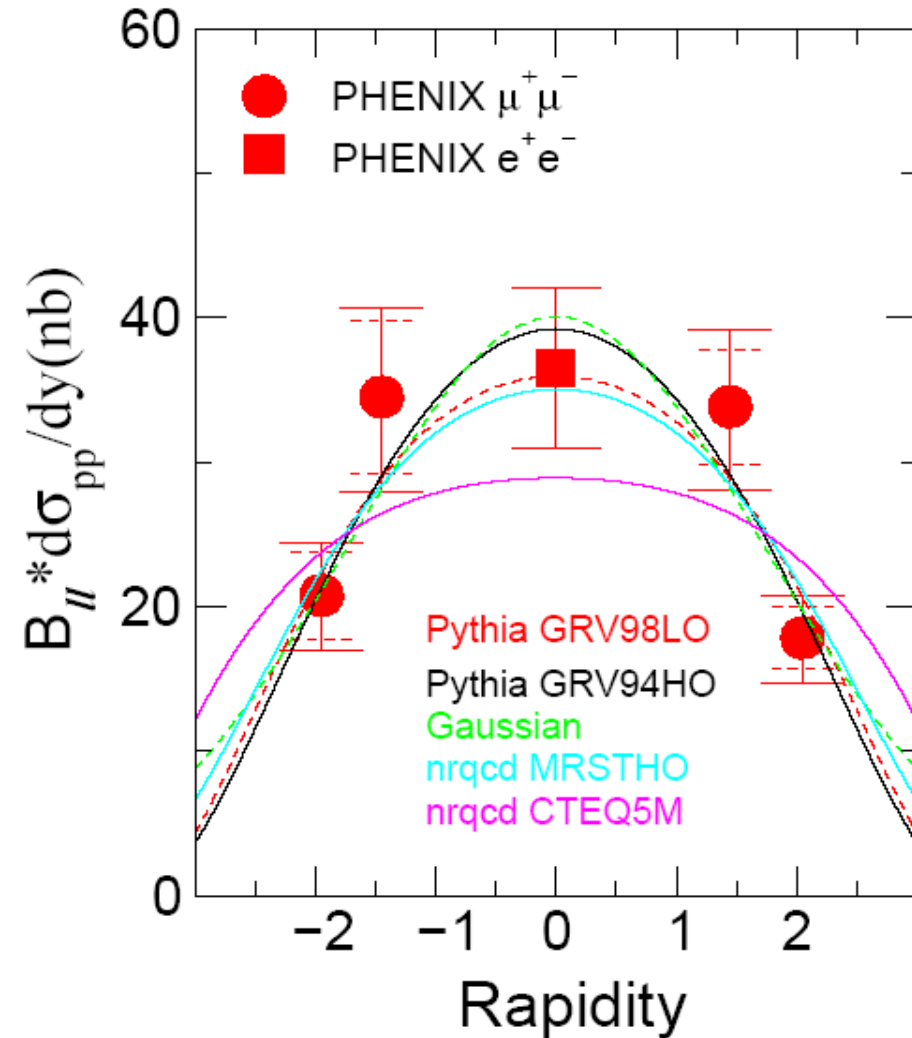
- good p+p reference for baseline
- test experiment using pA (or dA) to control cold nuclear matter effects
- correct extrapolation from dA to AA



**Absorption** (or dissociation) of  $c\bar{c}$  into two D mesons by nucleus or co-movers (the latter most important in AA collisions where co-movers more copious)

# J/Ψ yield for P+P collisions

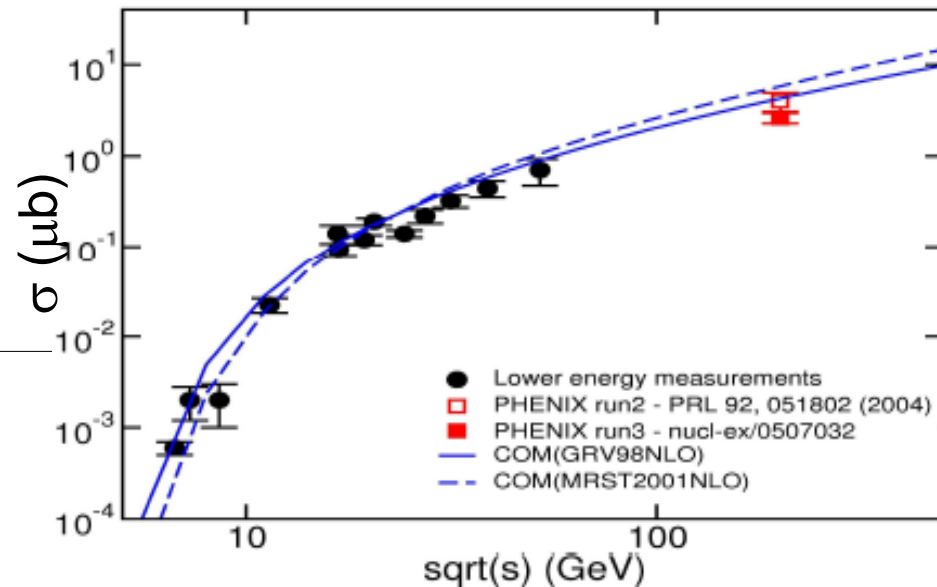
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$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow J/\Psi) = 2.61 \pm 0.20 \pm 0.26 \mu\text{b}$$

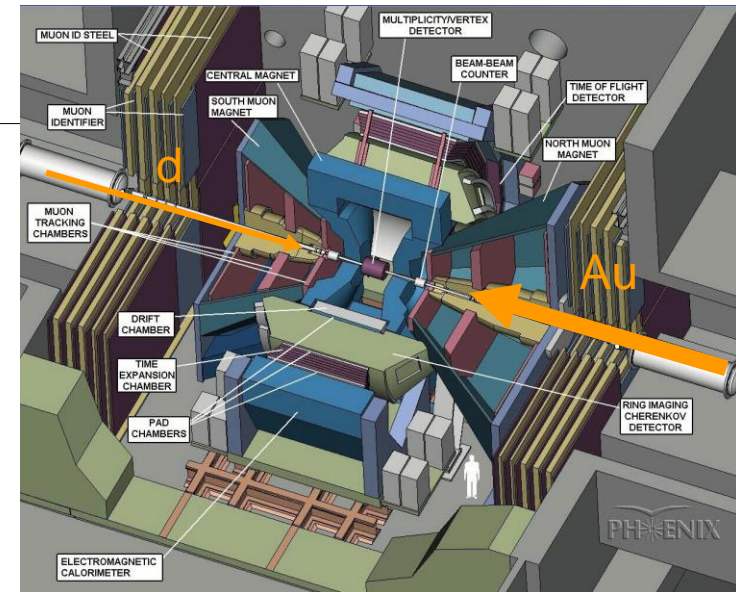
Lineshape obtained from PYTHIA using different parton distribution functions.

J/Ψ pp Cross Section vrs Energy

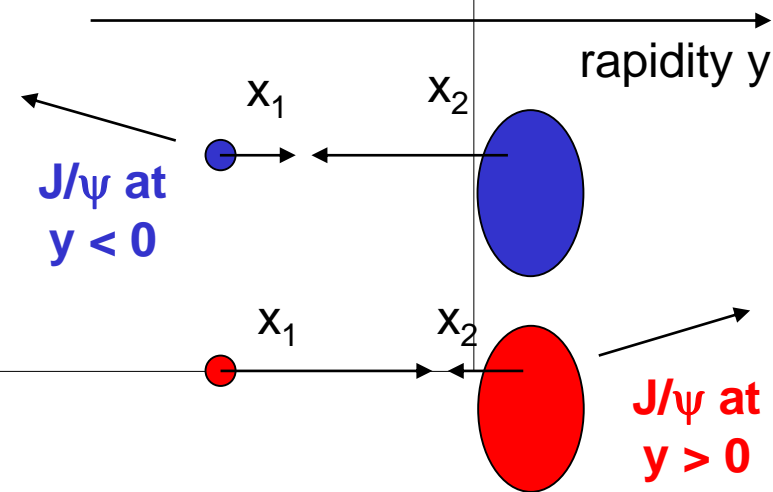
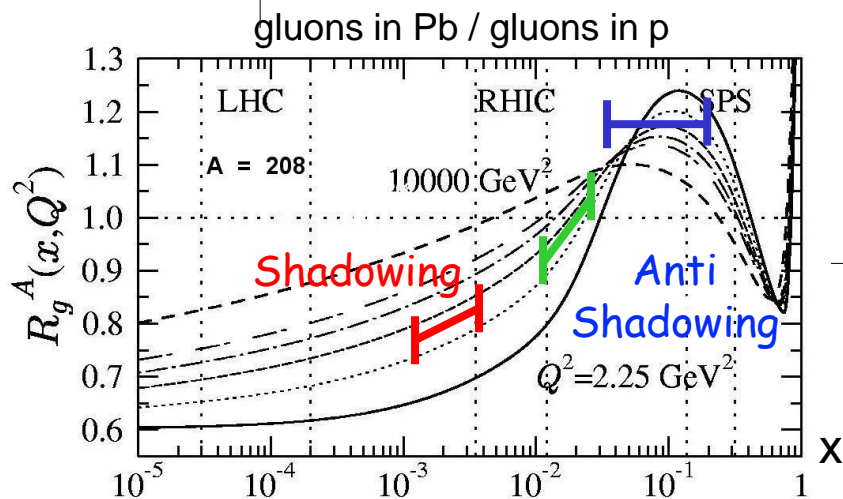


# Initial State Effects (Shadowing)

- In PHENIX,  $J/\psi$  mostly produced by gluon fusion, so sensitive to gluon pdf (**Shadowing, anti-shadowing**)
- Three rapidity ranges probe different momentum fraction of Au partons
  - South ( $y < -1.2$ ) : large  $x_2$  (in gold)  $\sim 0.090$
  - Central ( $y \sim 0$ ) : intermediate  $x_2$   $\sim 0.020$
  - North ( $y > 1.2$ ) : small  $x_2$  (in gold)  $\sim 0.003$



## An example of gluon shadowing prediction

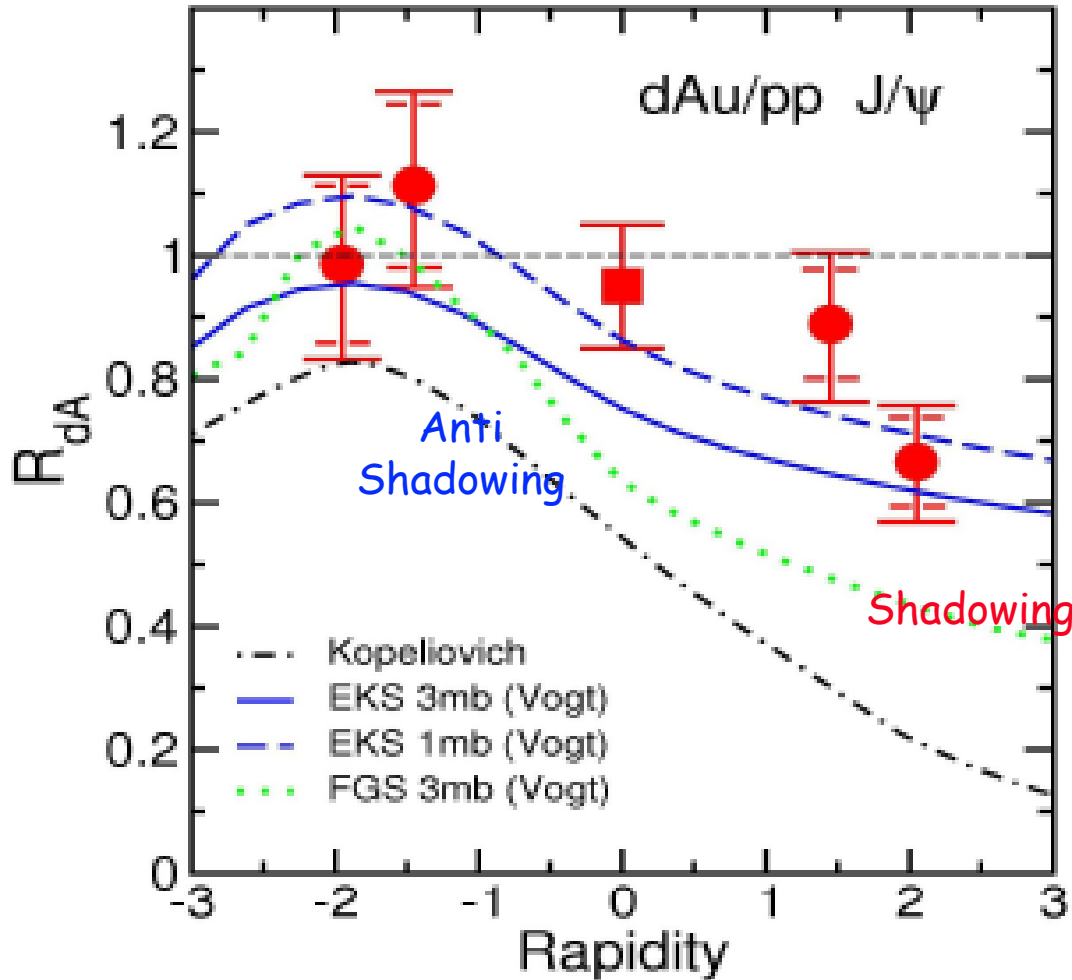


Eskola, Kolhinen, Vogt  
NPA696 (2001) 729



# $R_{dAu}$ as a function of rapidity

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$y < 0$  (deuteron side: S)  
large  $x_{Au}$  ( $\sim 0.09$ )  
anti-shadowing region

$y > 0$  (gold side: N)  
small  $x_{Au}$  ( $\sim 0.003$ )  
shadowing region

Compared to various parameterization for the nuclear shadowing + a nuclear absorption cross-section.

$R_{dA}$  vs  $y$  is consistent with EKS shadowing and a weak absorption (1-3mb)

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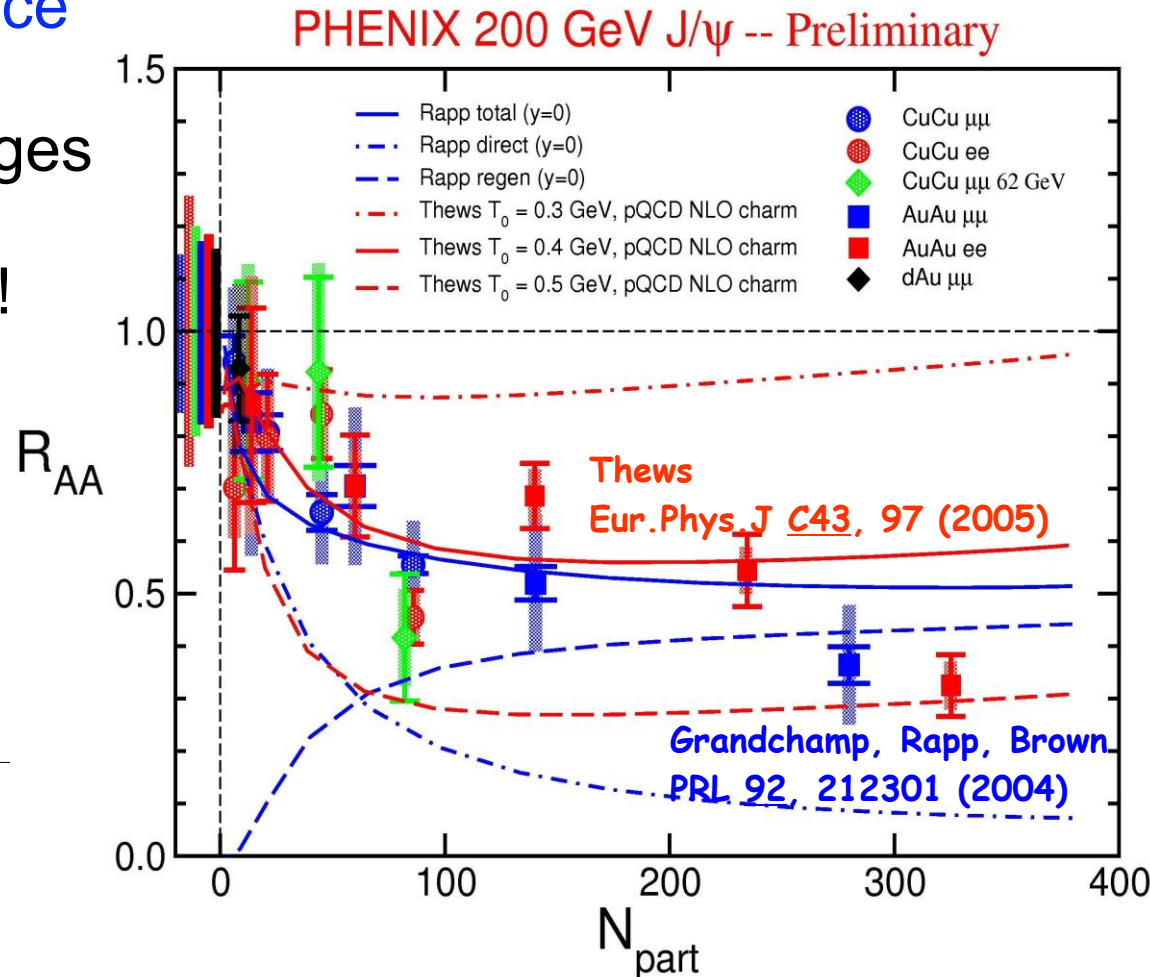
# J/Ψ Suppression ( $R_{AA}$ ) and Models

In addition to the color screening, **models with recombination/coalescence** of single charm quarks forming J/Ψ's at later stages match the observed suppression much better!

## Alternative explanations:

Sequential screening of the higher mass resonances down to J/Ψ, with J/Ψ itself still not dissolved (recent lattice calculations give  $T_{J/\psi} > 2T_c$ )

Karsch, Kharzeev, Satz,  
*Phys. Lett. B637:75*



# Sequential Screening and Feed Down?

Sequential dissolution of the higher-mass resonances that feed-down to the  $J/\psi$

Lattice calculations indicates that the charmonium ground state  $J/\psi$  can survive in QGP up to  $1.5T_c$  or more, while the excited states ( $\chi_c, \psi'$ ) are dissociated just above  $T_c$

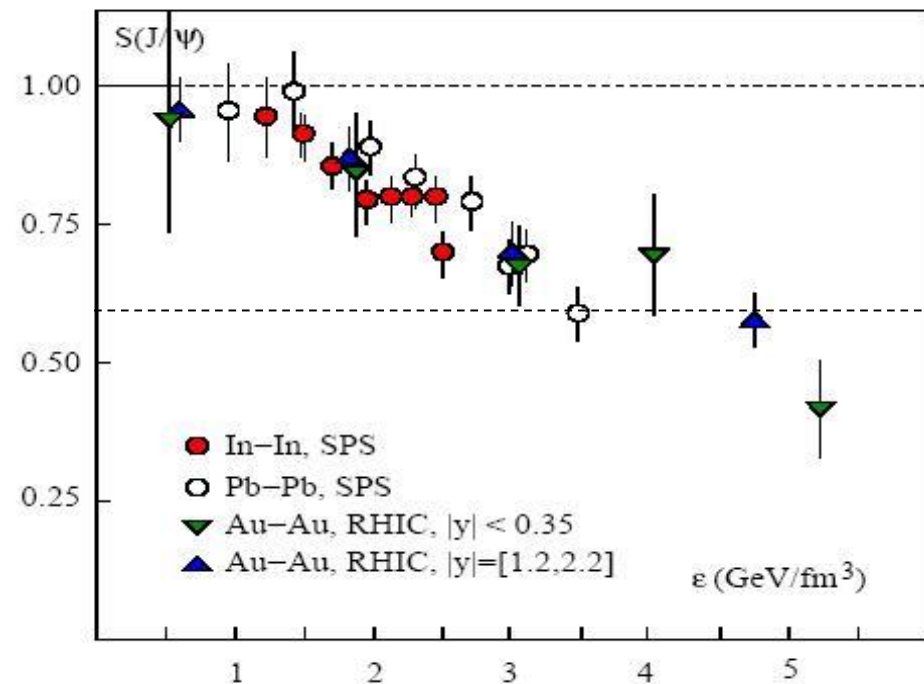
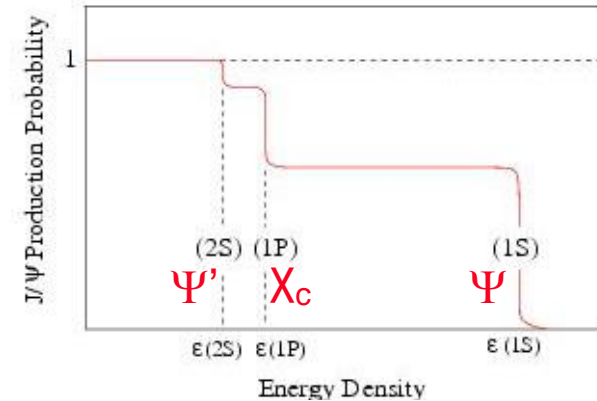
40% of  $J/\psi$  come from  $\psi'$  and  $\chi_c$  decays

$$J/\psi \sim 0.6 J/\psi + 0.3\chi_c + 0.1\psi'$$

HERA-B exp. Phys. Lett. B 561(2003)

$J/\psi$  suppression pattern gives information of melting  $\psi'$  and (or)  $\chi_c$  ;

- $T_{\text{diss}}(\chi_c, \psi') \sim T_c$  (dissolved)
- $T_{\text{diss}}(J/\psi) \sim 2T_c$  (un-dissolved)
- $S(J/\psi) = 0.6 + 0.4 * S(\chi_c, \psi')$



Karsch, Kharzeev & Satz: PLB637(2006)75

# Outlook: J/ $\Psi$ Suppression

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## Near future:

Final Run4 Au+Au results should be available for QM2006, with better control over systematic errors, and normalized to Run5 p+p.  
Allow better measurements of  $R_{AA}$  vs rapidity and  $p_t$

## Future RHIC runs (PHENIX Beam Proposal):

Run7: high luminosity Au+Au (200GeV) and p+p

Run8: high luminosity d+Au (200GeV) and p+p

Run9: energy scan with Au+Au

## Future measurements:

Need accurate open charm measurement (for coalescence models).

$\Psi'$  and  $\chi_c$  and  $Y$  would help too.

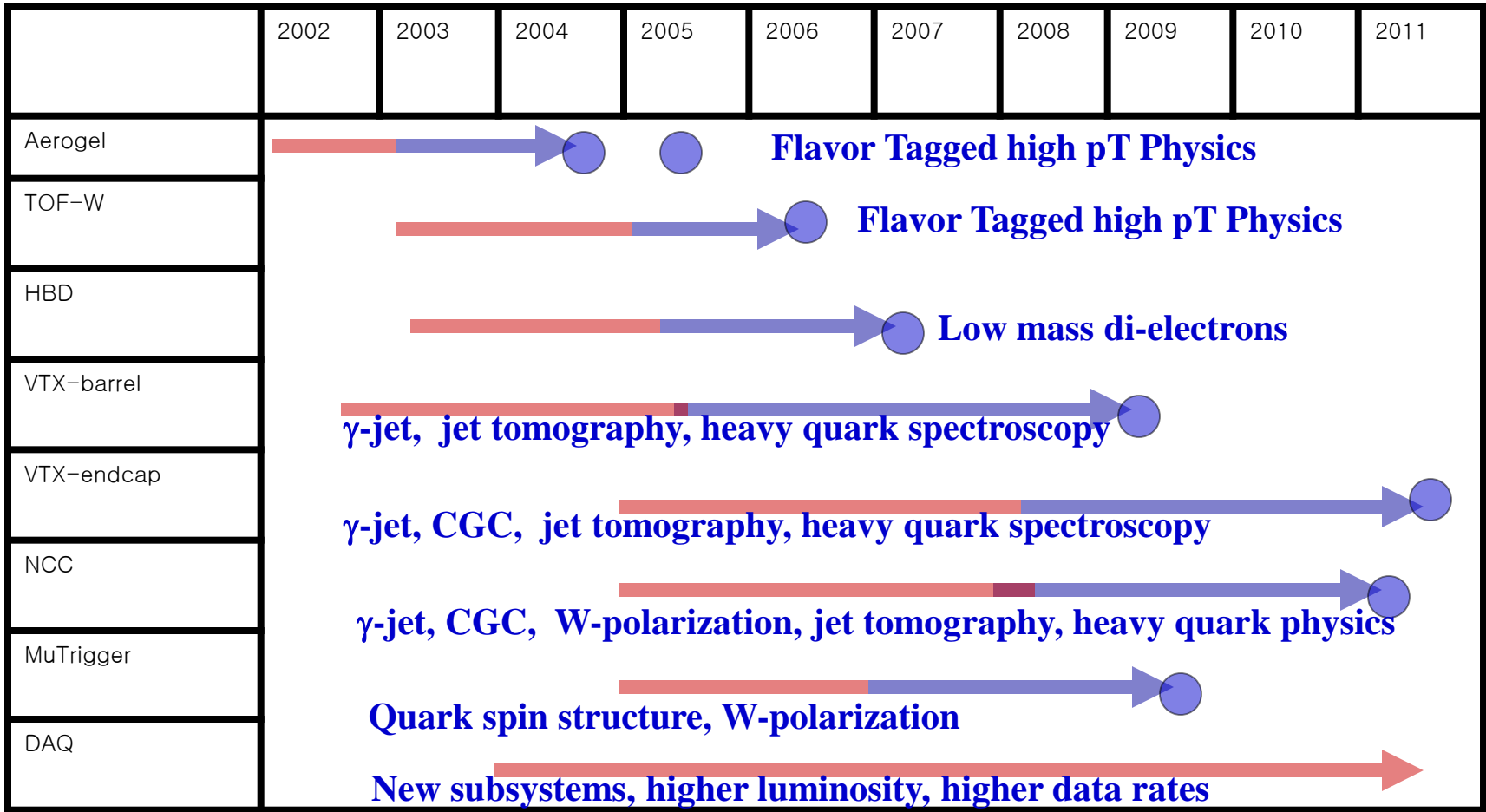
Need RHIC II and detector upgrades

# Physics for PHENIX Upgrades

The capability of the following physics can be enhanced by detector upgrades

- High T QCD (AA, pA, and pp):
  - Electromagnetic radiation ( $e^+e^-$  pair continuum)
  - Heavy flavor (c- and b-production)
  - Jet tomography (high  $p_T$  PID, jet-jet and  $\gamma$ -jet) ← requires highest AA luminosity
  - Quarkonium ( $J/\psi$ ,  $\psi'$ ,  $\chi_c$  and  $\Upsilon(1s), \Upsilon(2s), \Upsilon(3s)$ ) ←
- Spin structure of the nucleon:
  - Gluon spin structure  $\Delta G/G$  (heavy flavor  $\gamma$ -jet correlations)
  - Quark spin structure  $\Delta q/q$  (W-production for flavor decomposition)
- Low x phenomena
  - gluon saturation in nuclei (Color Glass Condensate)

# PHENIX Upgrades Schedule



R&D Phase



Construction Phase



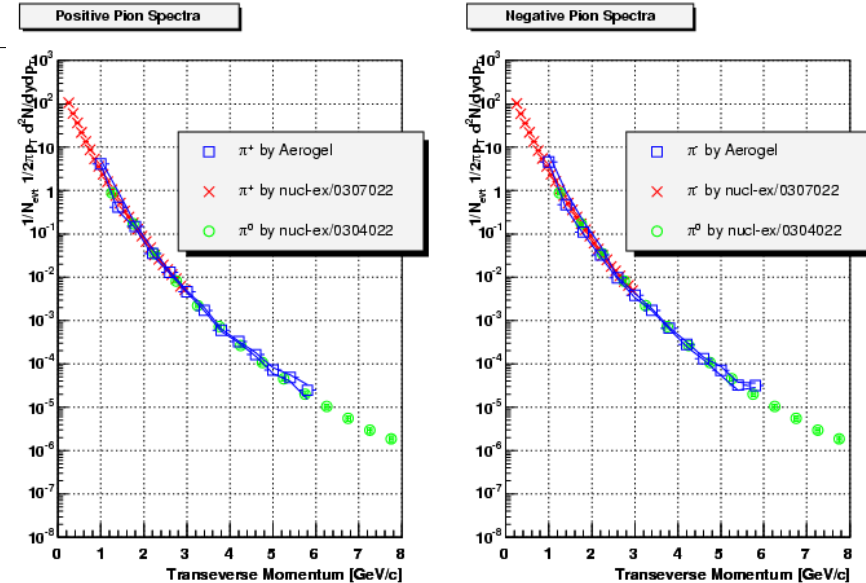
Ready for Data

# AGEL + TOF-W

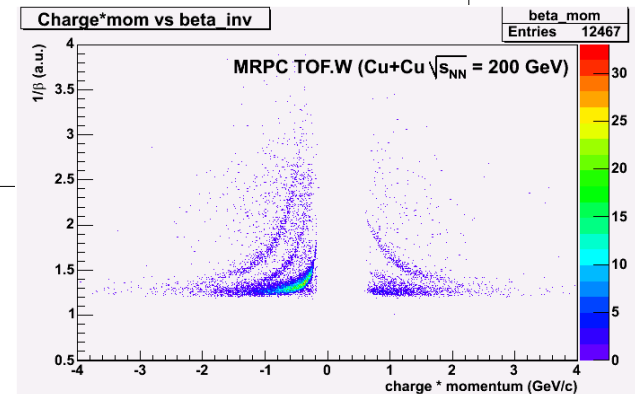
- “An aerogel and time-of-flight system to provide complete  $\pi/K/p$  separation for momenta up to  $\sim 10$  GeV/c.”

- Project well underway
  - Aerogel completely installed
- First physics results now available
- TOF-W (Multi-Resistive Plate Chamber)

Prototypes tested in Run-5  
System will be installed in current shutdown

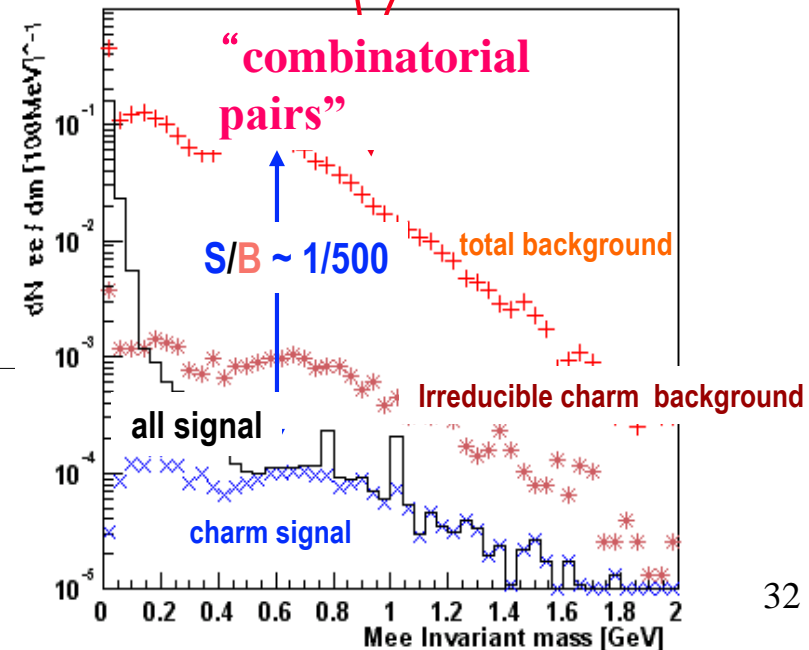
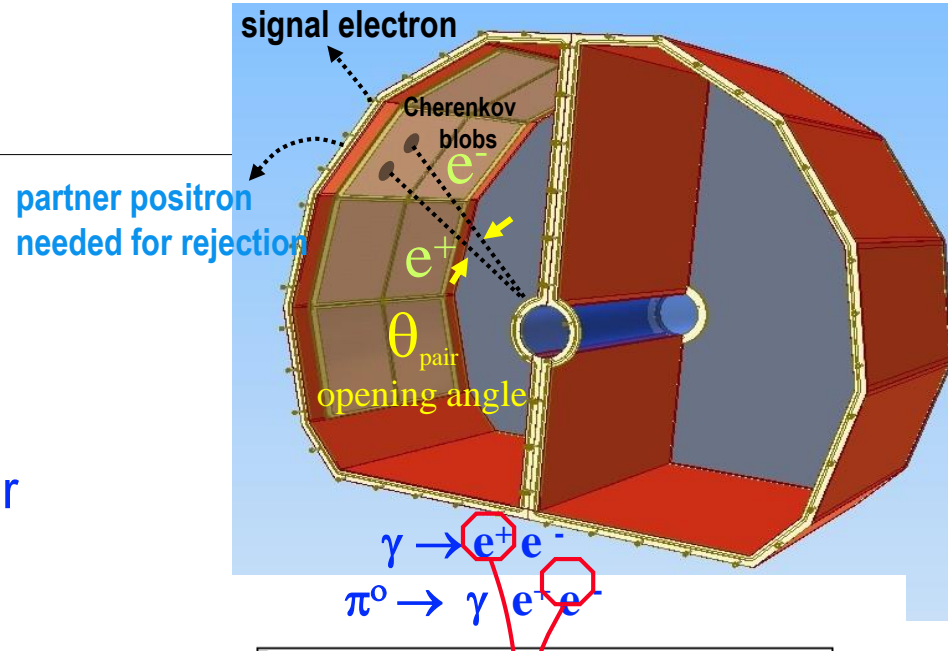


## PHENIX Work in Progress



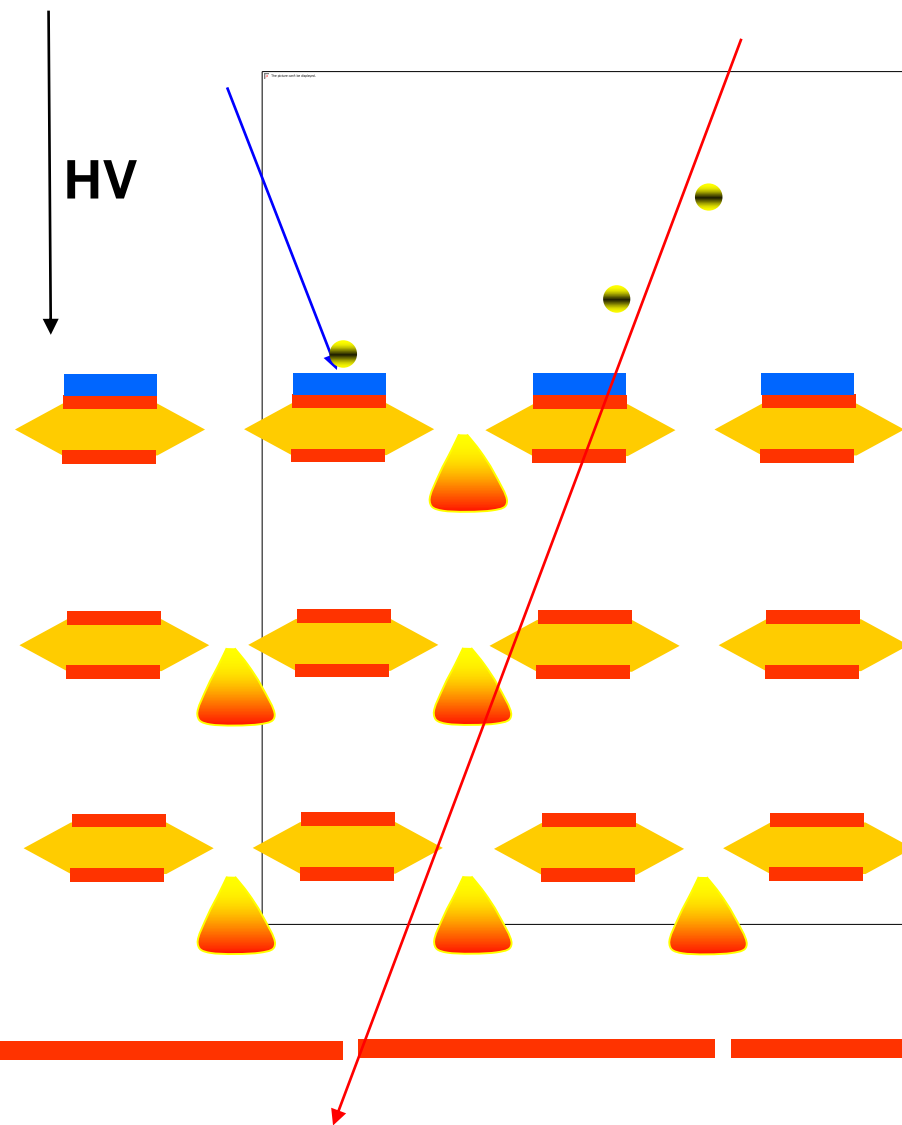
# Hadron-Blind Detector (HBD)

- “HBD to detect and track electrons near the vertex.”
- Dalitz rejection via opening angle
  - Identify electrons in field free region
  - Veto signal electrons with partner
- HBD: a novel detector concept:
  - CF4 Cherenkov detector
  - 50 cm radiator length
  - CsI reflective photocathode
  - Triple GEM with pad readout
- Construction/installation 2005/2006

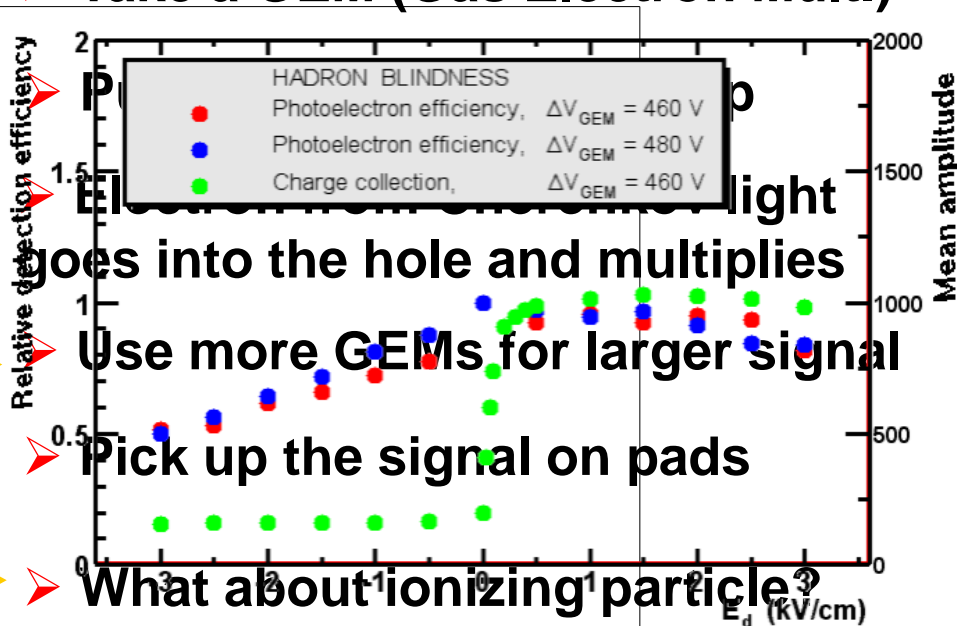




# The concept (HBD)



➤ Take a GEM (Gas Electron Mult.)



➤ What about ionizing particle?

➤ Mesh with a reverse bias drifts ionization away from multiplication area

➤ Sensitive to UV and blind to traversing ionizing particles

# Muon Trigger Upgrade

“A muon trigger upgrade to preserve sensitivity at the highest projected RHIC luminosities.”

RHIC I Luminosities (2009-12):

- Resistive Plate Chamber technology chosen by PHENIX

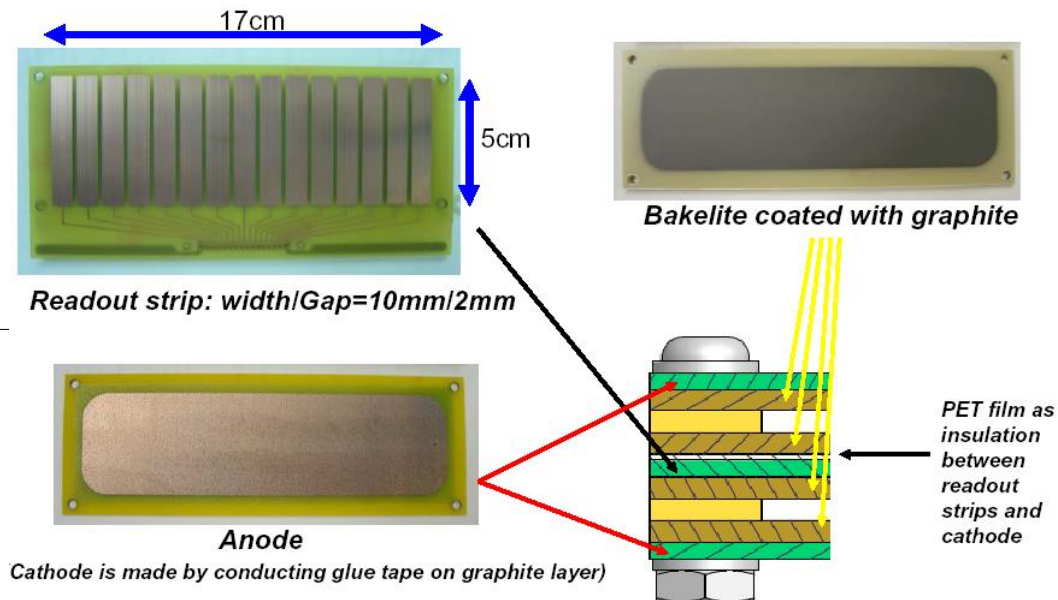
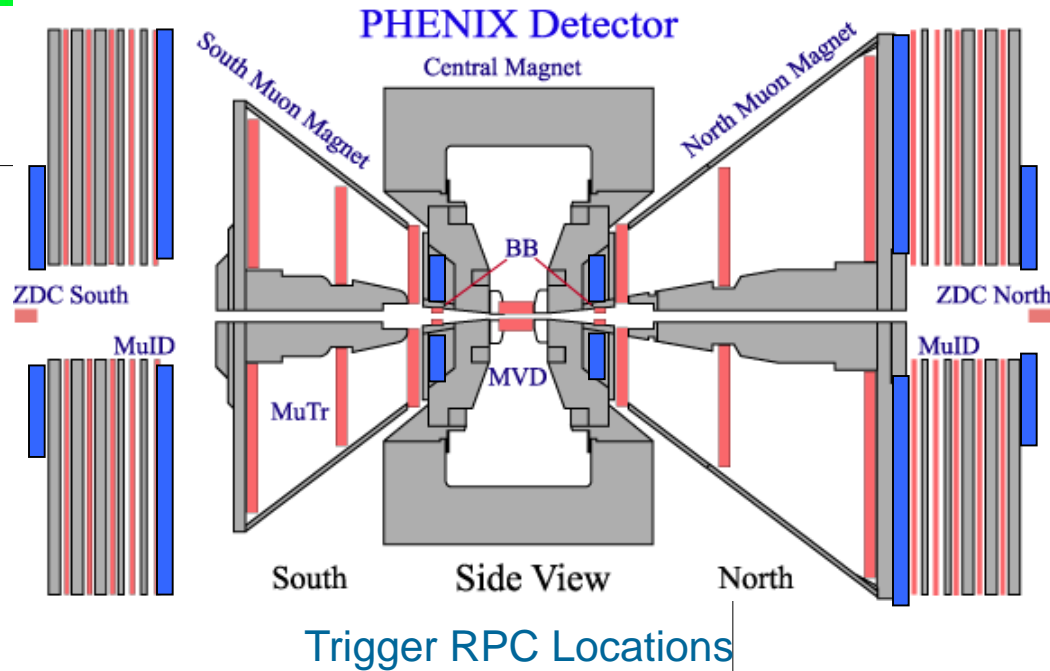
Cheap – wide coverage possible

3-dim space point enhances pattern recognition

- Two small prototypes successfully tested in Run05

RHIC II Luminosities (2012+):

- Fast read-out of muTr FEE



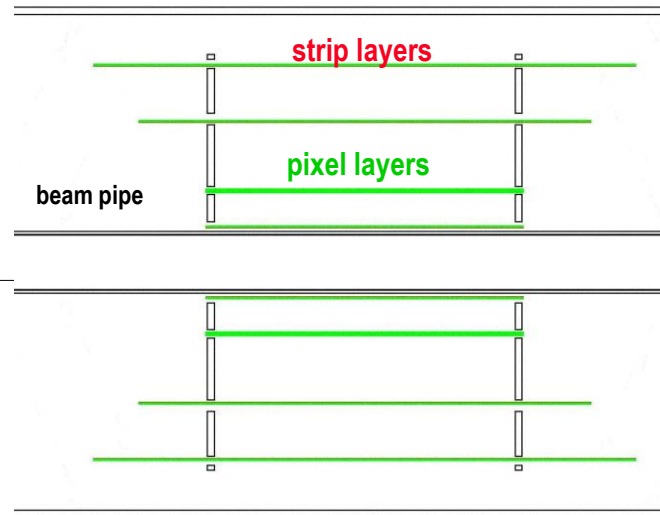
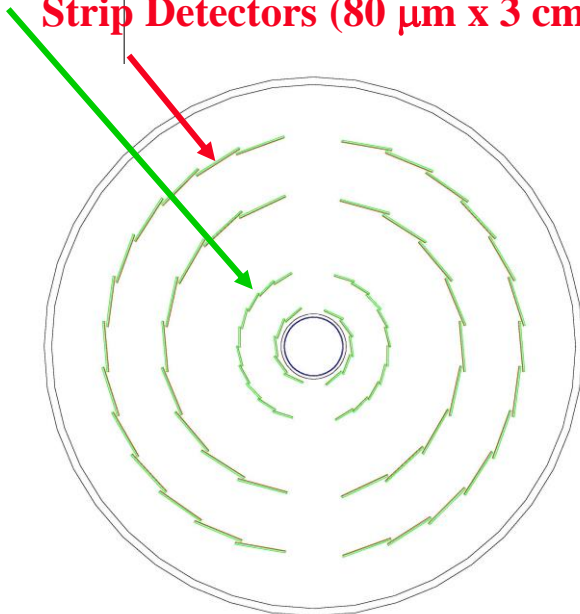
# Silicon Tracker

- “A vertex detector to detect displaced vertices from the decay of mesons containing charm or bottom quarks.”
- Specifications (Barrel):
  - Large acceptance ( $\Delta\phi \sim 2\pi$  and  $|\eta| < 1.2$ )
  - Displaced vertex measurement  $\sigma < 40 \mu\text{m}$
  - Charged particle tracking  $\sigma_p/p \sim 5\%$  at high  $p_T$
  - Must work for both of AA and pp collisions.



Hybrid Pixel Detectors ( $50 \mu\text{m} \times 425 \mu\text{m}$ ) at  $R \sim 2.5$  &  $5$  cm

Strip Detectors ( $80 \mu\text{m} \times 3$  cm) at  $R \sim 10$  &  $14$  cm

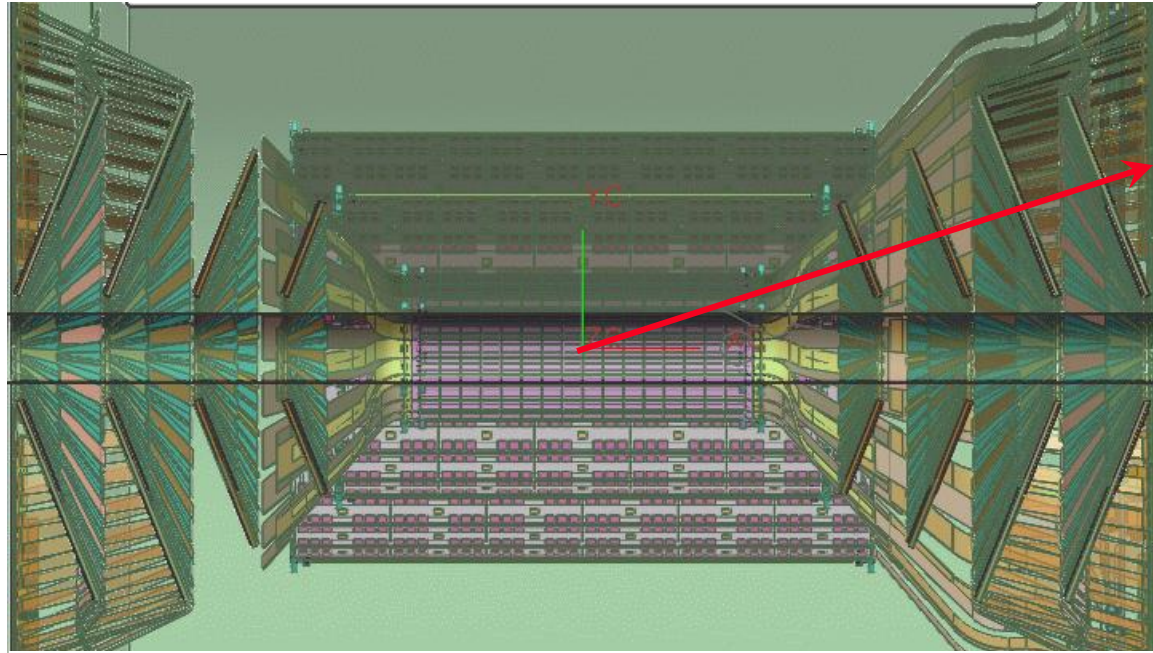


$|\eta| < 1.2$   
 $\phi \sim 2\pi$   
 $z \sim \pm 10$  cm

# Forward Vertexing

## Baseline (Endcaps):

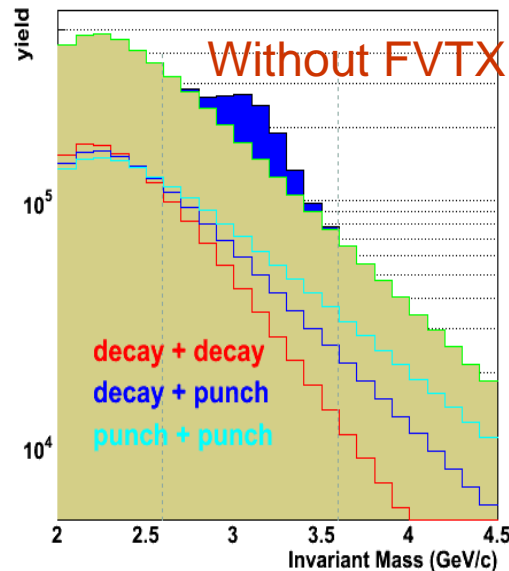
- 4 layers
- Tilted to make tracks ~normal-incidence
- 50  $\mu\text{m}$  radial pitch, 7.5° phi segmentation (2 – 13 mm)
- Maximize z and r extent to give good resolution
- 2\*0.86M channels



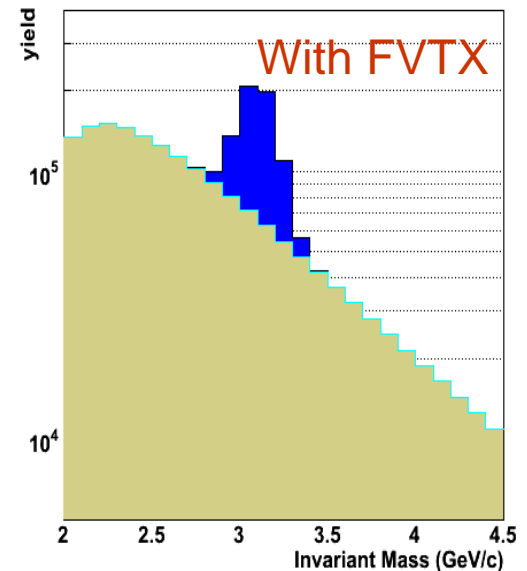
## Scope

- Recently favorably reviewed for FY08 start
- Bootstrapped by LANL LDRD funds to construct one octant prototype

Dimuon invariant mass distribution



Dimuon invariant mass distribution



# Nosecone Calorimeter (NCC)

“A forward calorimeter to provide photon+jet studies over a wide kinematic range.”

Forward physics with PHENIX

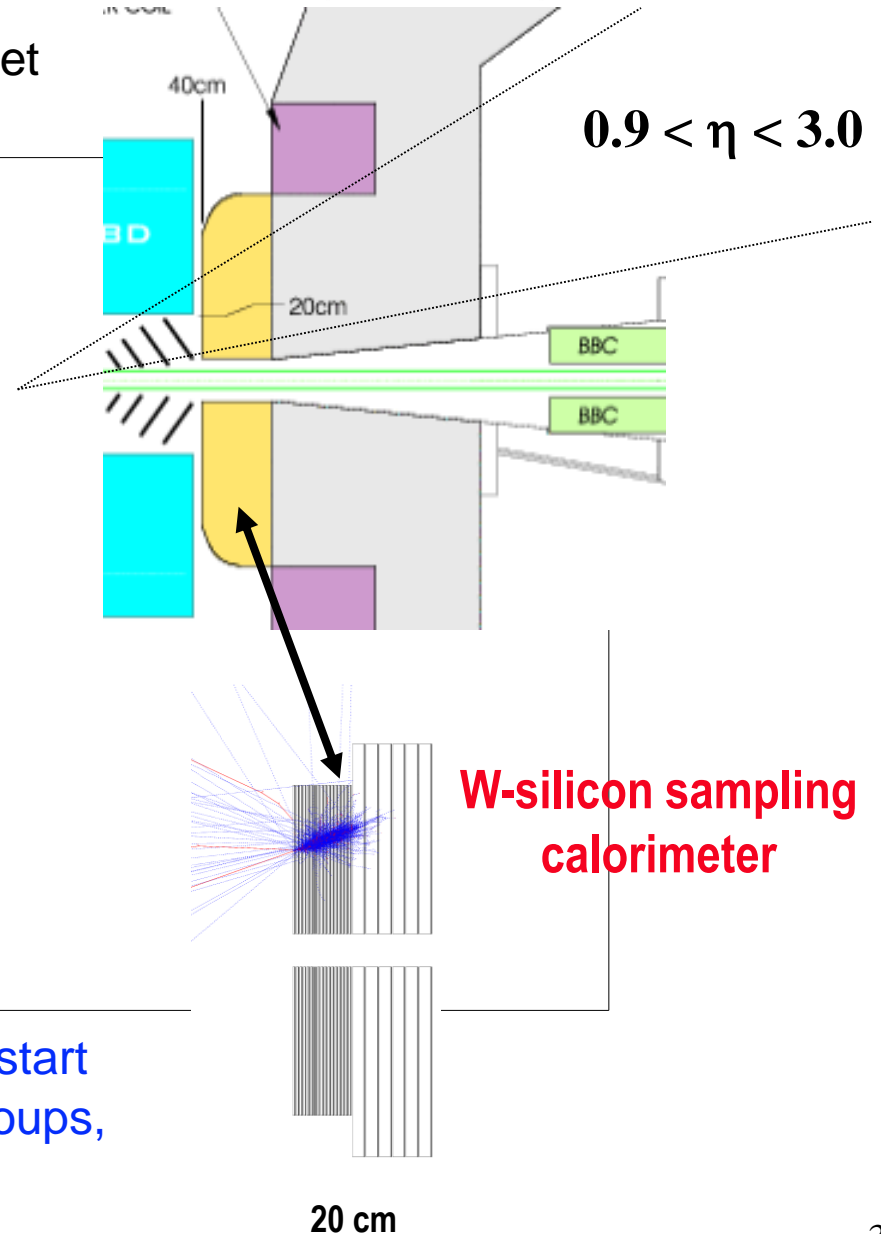
- Large acceptance calorimeter
- EM calorimeter  $\sim 40 X_0$
- hadronic section ( $1.6 I_0$ )
- Tungsten with Silicon readout

Extended physics reach with NCC

- Extended A-A program
  - high  $p_T$  phenomena:  $\pi^0$  and  $\gamma$ -jet
  - $\chi_c \rightarrow J/\psi + \gamma$
- Small x-physics in p-A

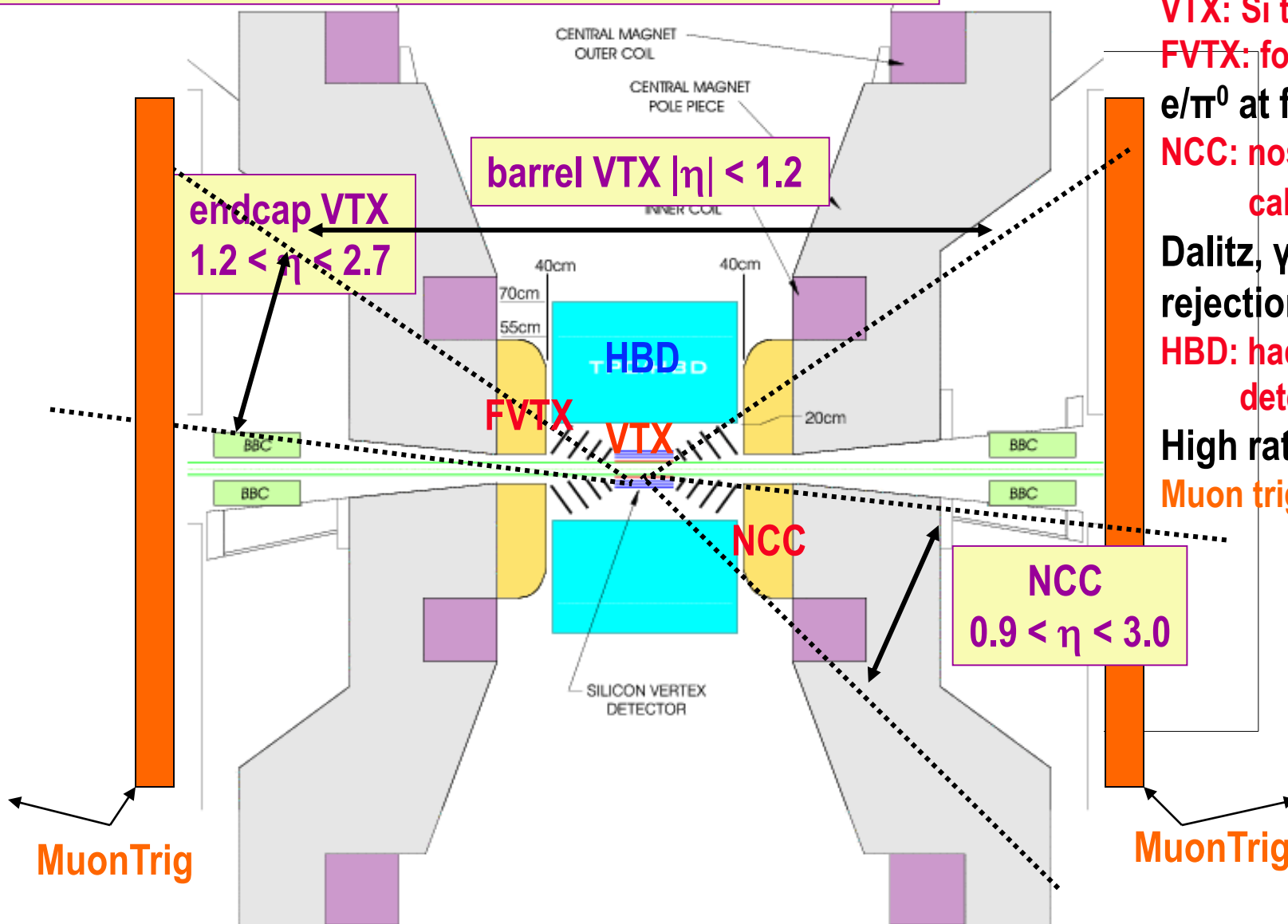
Scope

- Recently favorably reviewed for FY08 start
- New groups (Moscow State, Czech groups, Korean groups) join R&D
- Construction FY08 – FY10



# PHENIX Upgrades Project

Provides displaced vertex & jet measurement over  $2\pi$



Precision vertex:

VTX: Si tracker

FVTX: forward Si

$e/\pi^0$  at forward  $y$ :

NCC: nose cone calorimeter

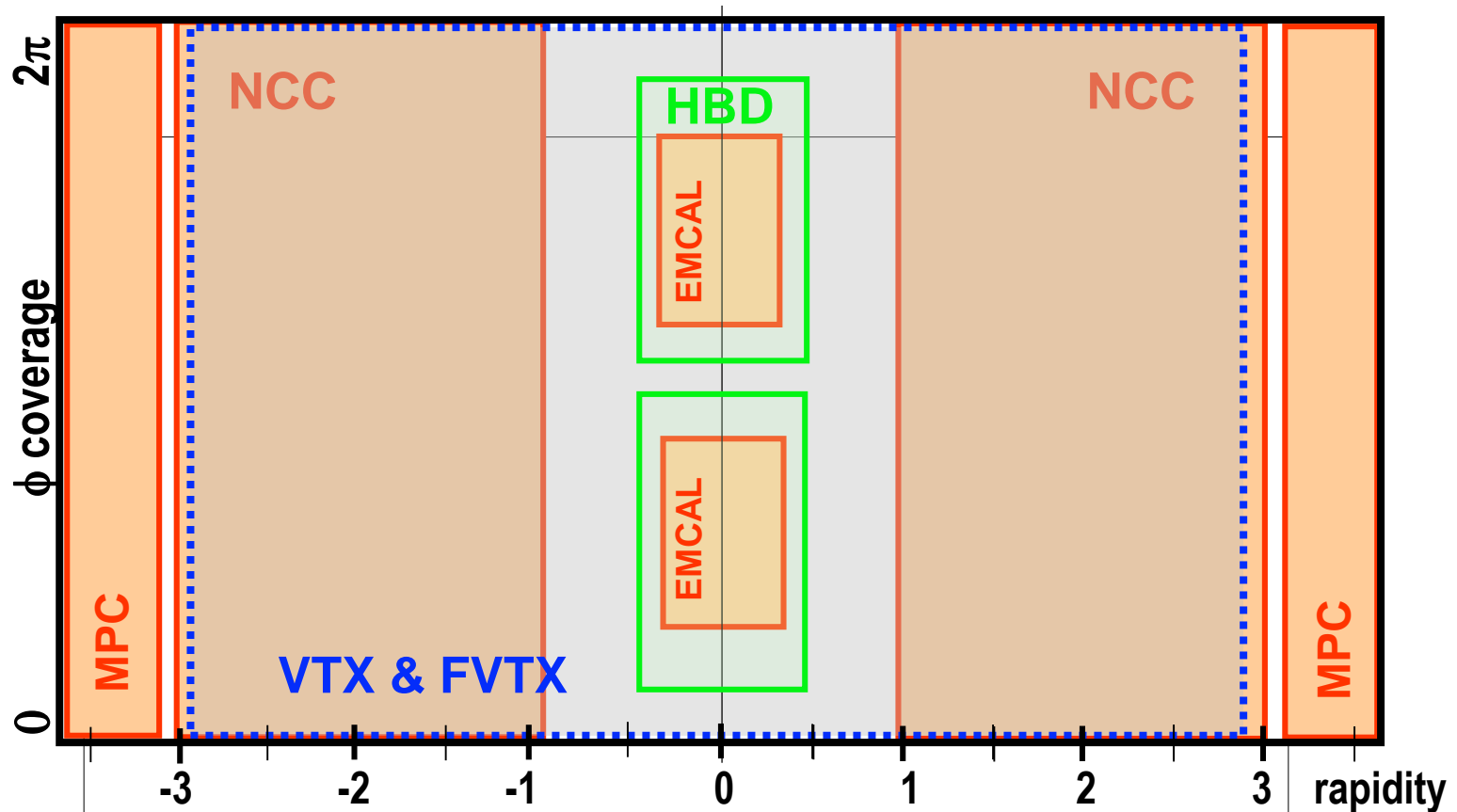
Dalitz,  $\gamma$ -conversion rejection:

HBD: hadron blind detector

High rate trigger:

Muon trigger

# Future Acceptance



- (i)  $\pi^0$  and direct  $\gamma$  with combination of all electromagnetic calorimeters
- (ii) heavy flavor with precision vertex tracking with silicon detectors
- combine (i) & (ii) for jet tomography with  $\gamma$ -jet
- (iii) low mass dilepton measurements with HBD + PHENIX central arms

# PHENIX view of RHIC Upgrade

Near term: Base line

Medium term: first upgrades

Long term: full detector  
and RHIC upgrades

2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018

Analysis of  
data on tape

Near term detector  
upgrades of PHENIX  
TOF-W, HBD, VTX,  
 $\mu$ Trig

Commissioning

40x design luminosity for  
Au-Au via electron cooling

PHENIX upgrades

Long term upgrades  
FVTX, NCC, ...

RHIC luminosity upgrade

## RHIC baseline program

Au+Au  $\sim 250 \mu\text{b}^{-1}$  at 200 GeV  
Species scan at 200 GeV  
Au+Au energy scan  
Polarized protons  $\geq 150 \text{nb}^{-1}$

## Extended program with 1<sup>st</sup> detector upgrades:

Au+Au  $\sim 1.5 \text{nb}^{-1}$  at 200 GeV  
Polarized p at 500 GeV  
(start p+A program)

## Full utilization of RHIC opportunities:

Studies of QGP with rare probes:  
jet tomography, open flavor,  
 $J/\psi$ ,  $\psi'$ ,  $\chi_c$ ,  $\Upsilon(1s)$ ,  $\Upsilon(2s)$ ,  $\Upsilon(3s)$

Complete spin physics program  
p+A physics