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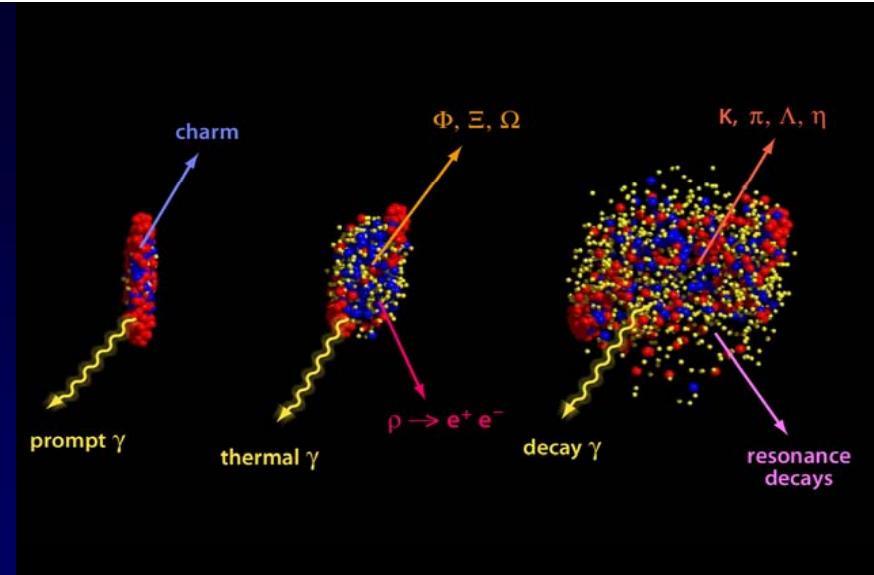
# **Heavy quarks and high $p_T$ in nuclear collisions**

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## Signals of the phase transition:

- Strangeness enhancement
- Multi-strange particle enhancement
- Charm suppression
- Collective flow ( $v_1, v_2$ )
- Thermal dileptons
- Jet quenching and angular correlations
- High  $p_T$  suppression of hadrons
- Nonstatistical event by event fluctuations and correlations
- ...



**Experiment:** measures final hadrons and leptons

**How to learn about physics from data?**

**Compare with theory!**

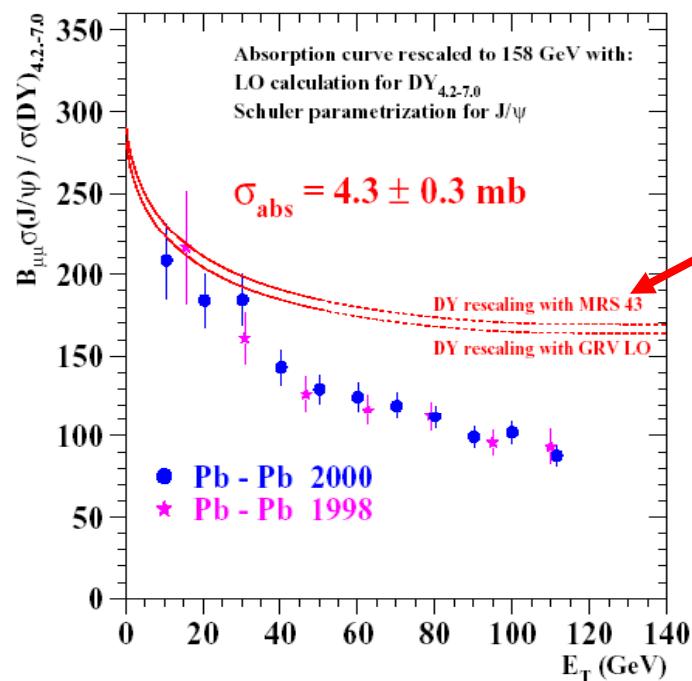
**Microscopical transport models provide a unique dynamical description of nonequilibrium effects in heavy-ion collisions**

# **Open and hidden charm**

# Anomalous J/ $\Psi$ suppression in A+A

Heavy flavor sector reflects the actual dynamics since heavy hadrons can only be formed in the very early phase of heavy-ion collisions !

## Anomalous J/ $\Psi$ suppression in A+A (NA38/NA50/NA60)



J/ $\Psi$  ,normal' absorption  
by nucleons  
(Glauber model)

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Experimental observation:  
extra suppression in A+A  
collisions; increasing with  
centrality

# Scenarios for charmonium suppression in A+A

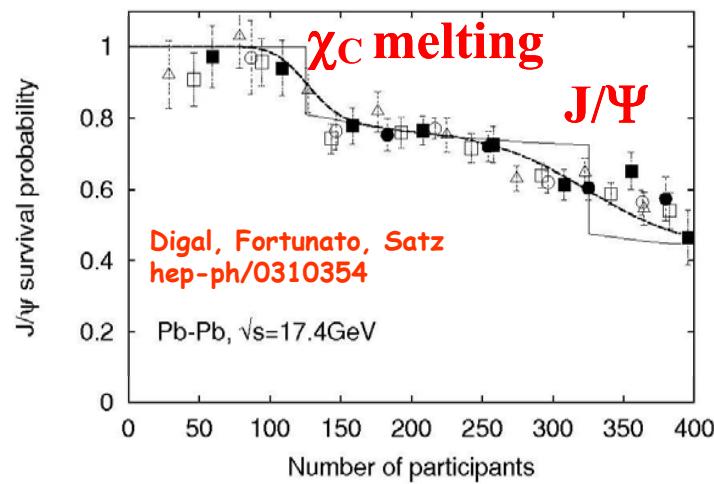
- **QGP threshold melting**

[Satz et al'03]

**Quarkonium dissociation temperatures:**

state	J/ $\psi$ (1S)	$\chi_c$ (1P)	$\psi'$ (2S)	$\Upsilon$ (1S)	$\chi_b$ (1P)	$\Upsilon$ (2S)	$\chi_b$ (2P)	$\Upsilon$ (3S)
$T_d/T_c$	2.10	1.16	1.12	> 4.0	1.76	1.60	1.19	1.17

**Dissociation energy density  $\epsilon_d \sim 2(T_d/T_c)^4$**



- **Comover absorption**

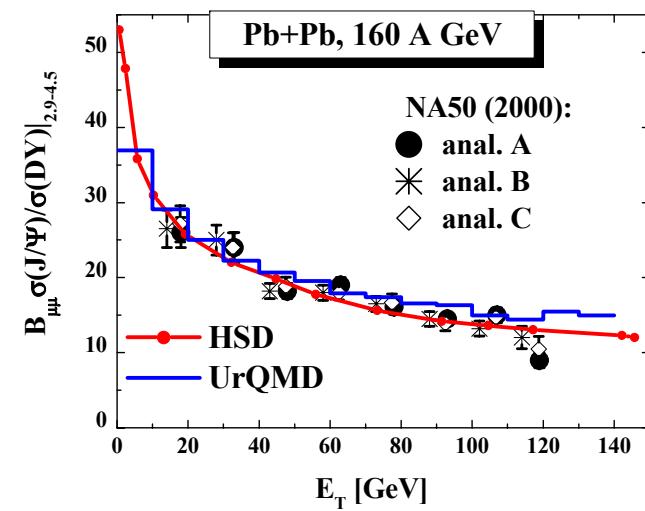
[Gavin & Vogt, Capella et al.'97]:

**charmonium absorption by low energy inelastic scattering with ‘comoving’ mesons ( $m=\pi,\eta,\rho,\dots$ ):**

$J/\Psi + m \leftrightarrow D + \bar{D}$

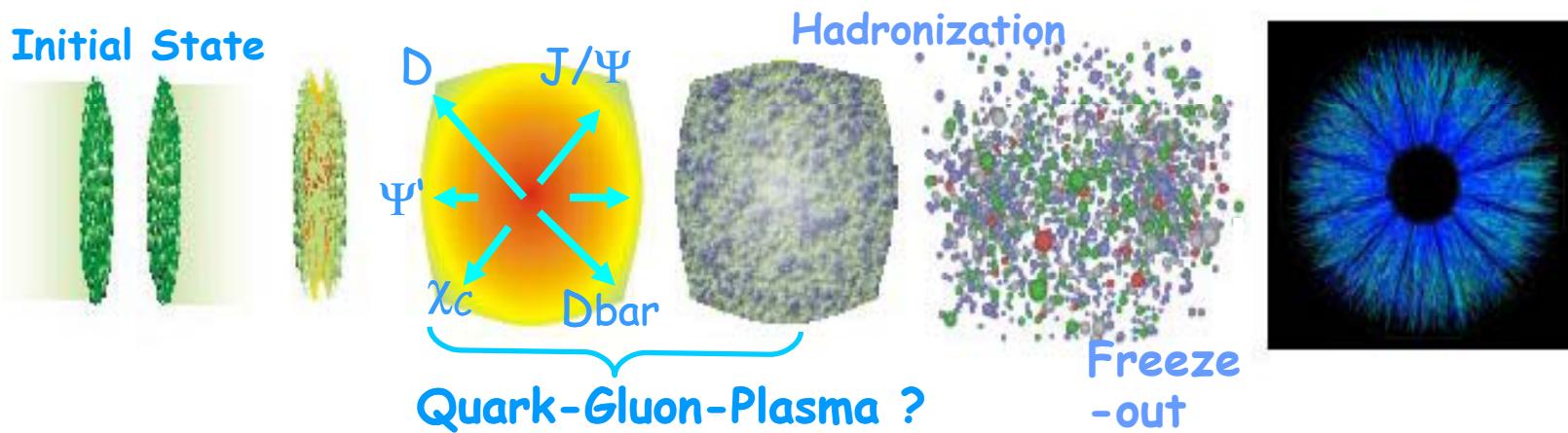
$\Psi' + m \leftrightarrow D + \bar{D}$

$\chi_c + m \leftrightarrow D + \bar{D}$



# Charmonium dynamics -> HSD

Check scenarios for charmonium suppression in A+A  
using microscopic transport models



## Transport models

Microscopic transport models provide the dynamical description of **nonequilibrium** effects in heavy-ion collisions

HSD – Hadron-String-Dynamics transport approach

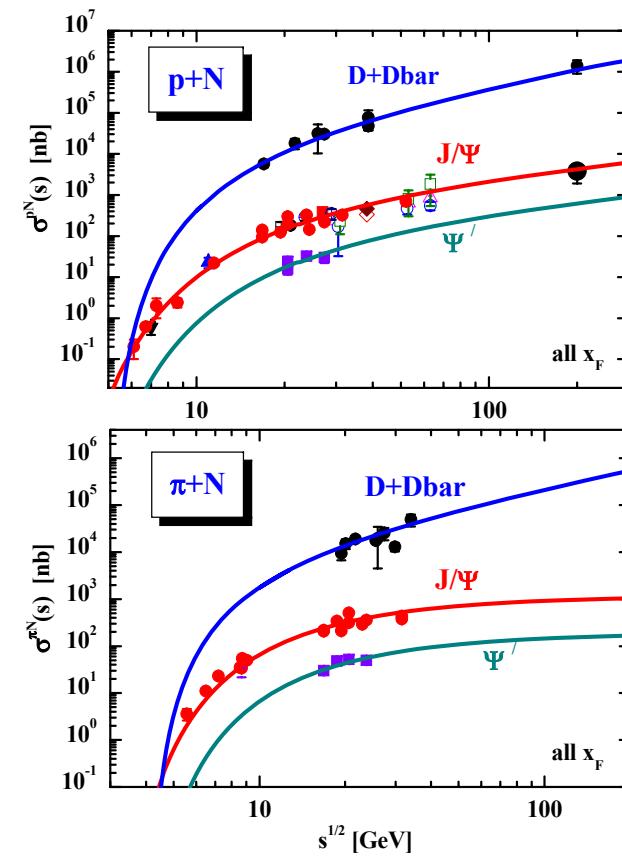
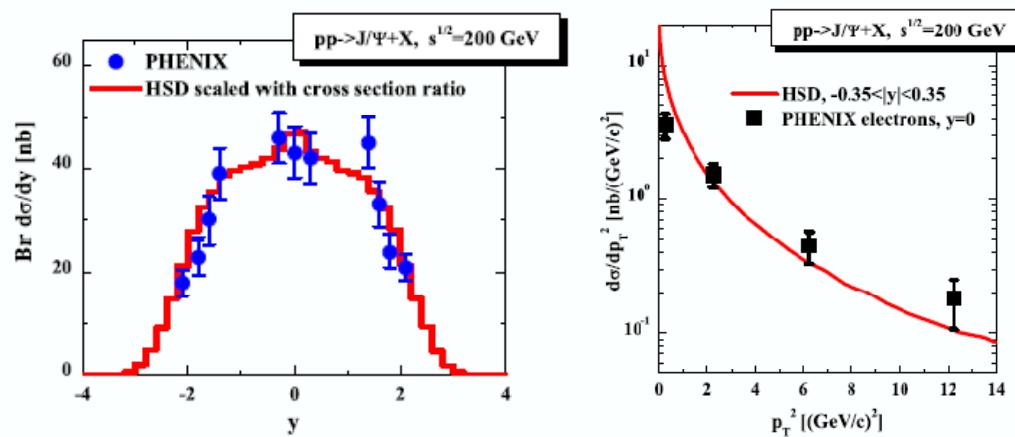
# Charm and Charmonium production and absorption in HSD

- Charmonium = hard probe  
=> binary scaling!
- Production  $\sigma(J/\Psi)$  and  $\sigma(\Psi')$  in N+N and  $\pi+N$  collisions: parametrization of the available exp. data

Coupled channel problem:

$$\sigma_{J/\Psi}^{\text{exp}} = \sigma_{J/\Psi} + B(\chi_c \rightarrow J/\Psi) \sigma_{\chi_c} + B(\Psi' \rightarrow J/\Psi) \sigma_{\Psi'}$$

- $y$ ,  $p_T$  – distributions of  $J/\Psi$  in pp at RHIC are controlled by the PHENIX data :



## Charmonia-baryon dissociation cross sections

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- Charmonia-baryon dissociation cross sections can be fixed from p+A data:

HSD-2003:

Pre-resonance c-cbar pairs (color-octet states):

$$\sigma_{cc\ B} = 6 \text{ mb} \quad (\tau_{cc} = 0.3 \text{ fm/c})$$

Formed charmonium (color-singlet states):

$$\sigma_{J/\Psi\ B} = 4 \text{ mb}, \quad \sigma_{\chi\ B} = 5 \text{ mb}, \quad \sigma_{\Psi'\ B} = 8 \text{ mb}$$

HSD-2006/2007:

$$\sigma_{cc\ B} = \sigma_{J/\Psi\ B} = \sigma_{\chi\ B} = 4.18 \text{ mb}, \quad \sigma_{\Psi'\ B} = 7.6 \text{ mb}$$

adopting a new Glauber fit from NA50

# Modelling of the comover scenario in HSD

## 1. Charmonia dissociation cross sections with $\pi, \rho, K$ and $K^*$ mesons



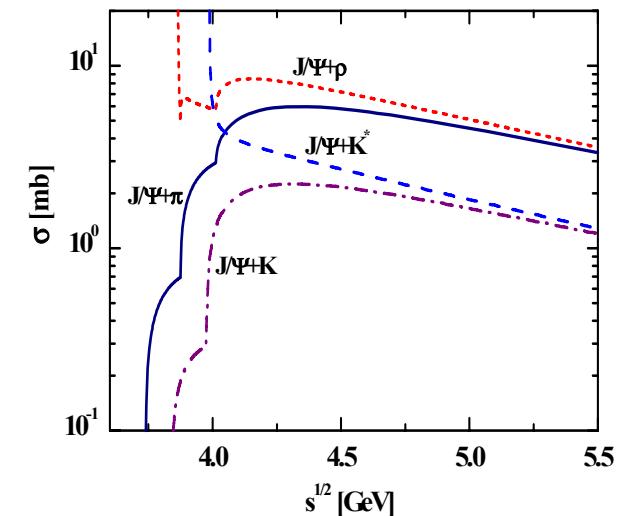
- Phase-space model for charmonium + meson dissociation:

$$\sigma_{1+2 \rightarrow 3+4}(s) = g_{\text{isospin}} 2^4 \frac{E_1 E_2 E_3 E_4}{s} |M_i|^2 \left( \frac{m_3 + m_4}{\sqrt{s}} \right)^6$$

$i = \chi_c, J/\Psi, \Psi'$

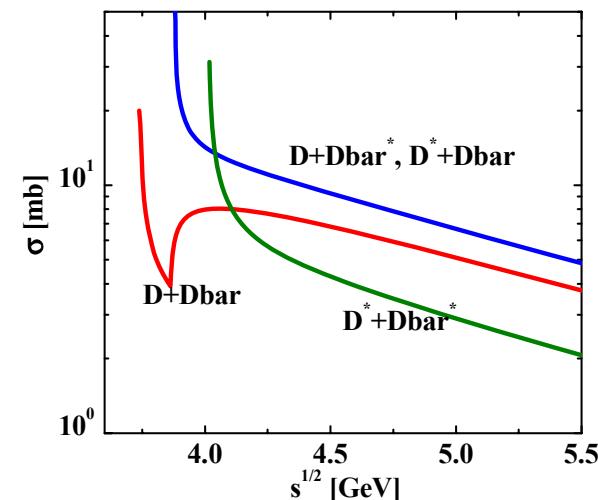
$$|M_{J/\Psi}|^2 = |M_{\chi_c}|^2 = |M_{\Psi'}|^2 = |M_0|^2$$

constant matrix element



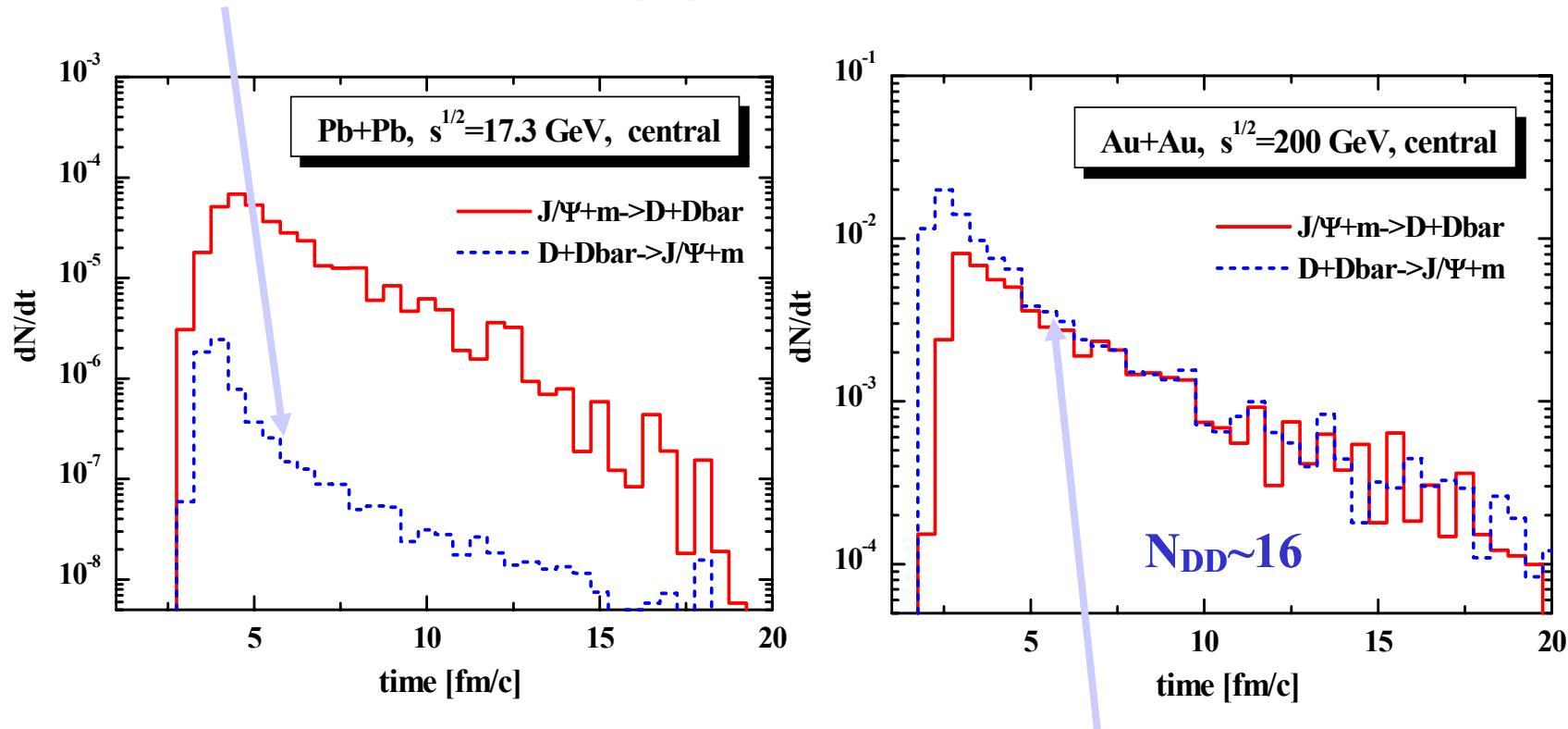
## 2. $J/\Psi$ recombination cross sections by $D + \bar{D}$ annihilation:

$D + \bar{D} \rightarrow J/\Psi (\chi_c, \Psi') + \text{meson } (\pi, \rho, K, K^*)$   
are determined by detailed balance!



# Charmonium recombination by D-Dbar annihilation

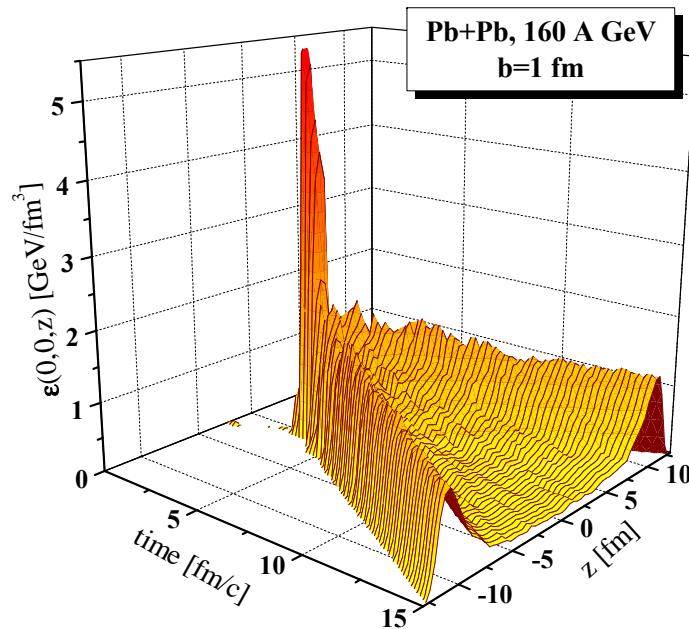
At SPS recreation of J/ $\Psi$  by  
D+Dbar annihilation is **negligible**



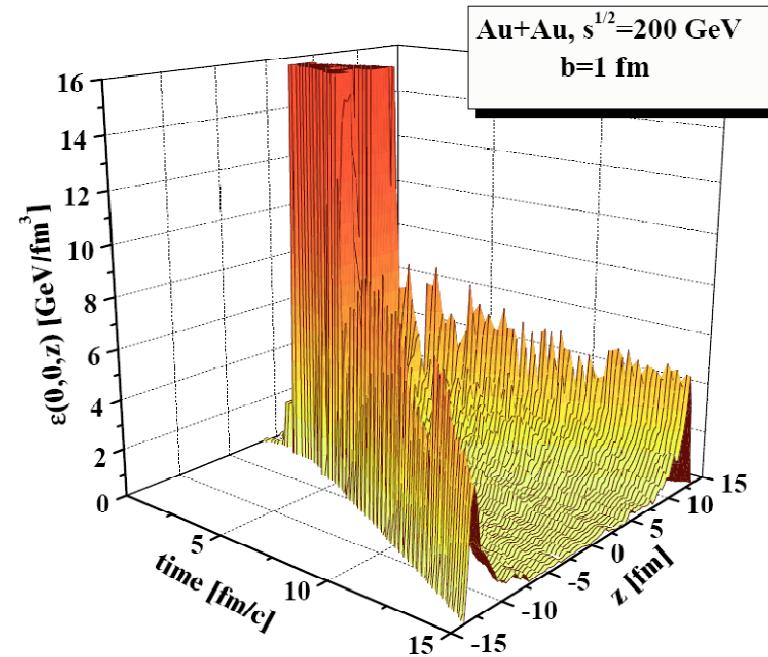
But at **RHIC** recreation of J/ $\Psi$  by  
D+Dbar annihilation is **strong!**

# Modelling of the QGP melting scenario in HSD

**Energy density  $\epsilon(x=0,y=0,z;t)$  from HSD  
for Pb+Pb collisions at 160 A GeV**



**Energy density  $\epsilon(x=0,y=0,z;t)$  from HSD  
for Au+Au collisions at 21300 A GeV**



**Threshold energy densities:**

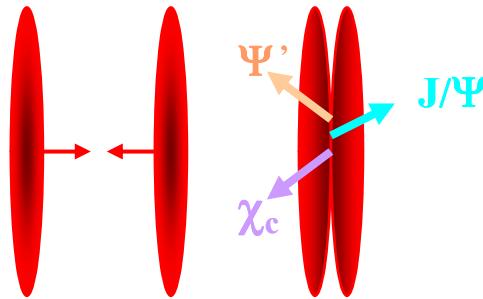
$J/\Psi$  melting:  $\epsilon(J/\Psi)=16 \text{ GeV}/\text{fm}^3$

$\chi_c$  melting:  $\epsilon(\chi_c)=2 \text{ GeV}/\text{fm}^3$

$\Psi'$  melting:  $\epsilon(\Psi')=2 \text{ GeV}/\text{fm}^3$

[Olena Linnyk et al.,  
[nucl-th/0612049](#), NPA 786 (2007) 183 ]

# 'Local' energy density $\epsilon$ versus Bjorken energy density $\epsilon_{Bj}$



- Bjorken energy density:

$$\epsilon_{Bj} = \frac{1}{\tau} \cdot \frac{1}{A_T} \frac{dE_T}{dy}$$

'Local' energy density  $\epsilon$  during transient time  $t_r$ :

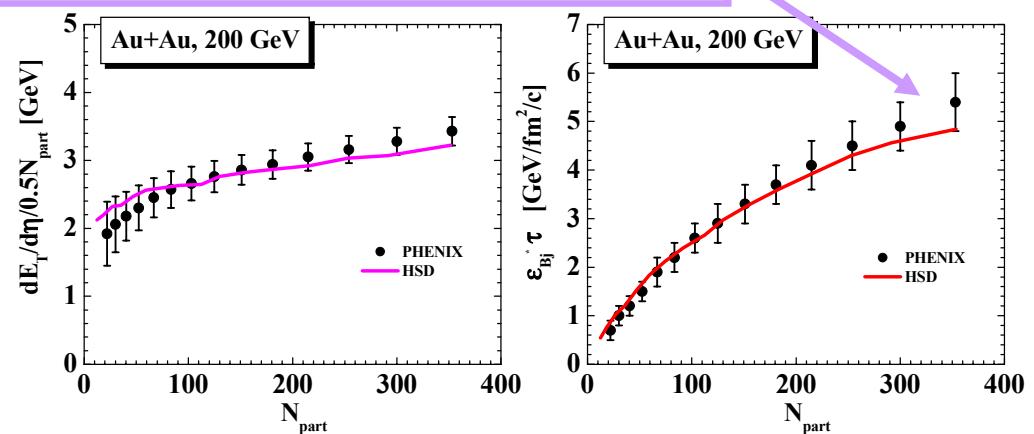
$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon &\sim 5[\text{GeV}/\text{fm}^2/\text{c}] / [0.13 \text{ fm/c}] \\ &\sim 30 \text{ GeV}/\text{fm}^3\end{aligned}$$

accounting  $\tau_C$ :  $\epsilon \sim 28 \text{ GeV}/\text{fm}^3$

- transient time for central Au+Au at 200 GeV:  
 $t_r \sim 2R_A/\gamma_{cm} \sim 0.13 \text{ fm/c}$
- c-cbar formation time:  
 $\tau_C \sim 1/M_T \sim 1/4 \text{ GeV} \sim 0.05 \text{ fm/c} < t_r$
- c-cbar pairs are produced in the initial hard NN collisions in time period  $t_r$

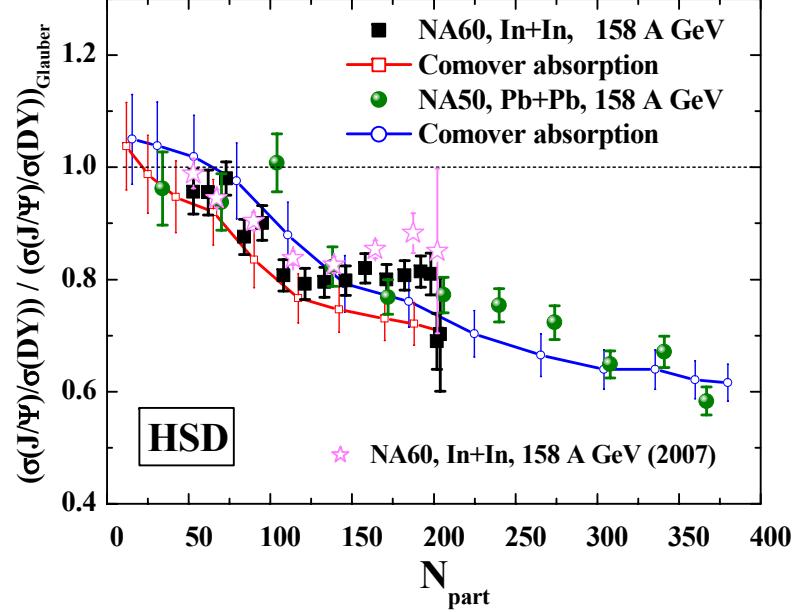
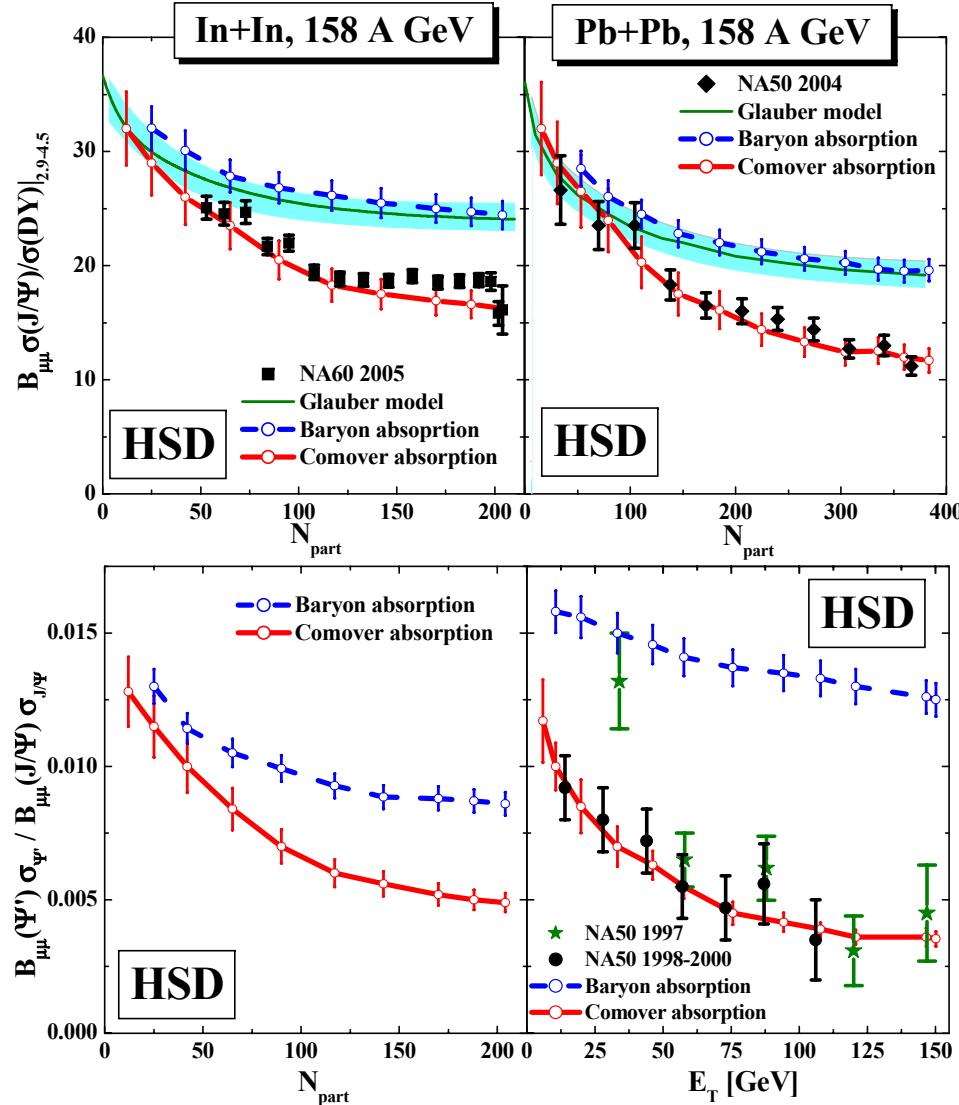
$A_T$  is the nuclei transverse overlap area  
 $\tau$  is the formation time of the medium

at RHIC  $\epsilon_{Bj} \tau \sim 5 \text{ GeV}/\text{fm}^2/\text{c}$



- ✓ HSD reproduces PHENIX data for Bjorken energy density very well
- ✓ HSD results are consistent with simple estimates for the energy density

# J/ $\Psi$ and $\Psi'$ suppression in In+In and Pb+Pb at SPS: Comover absorption

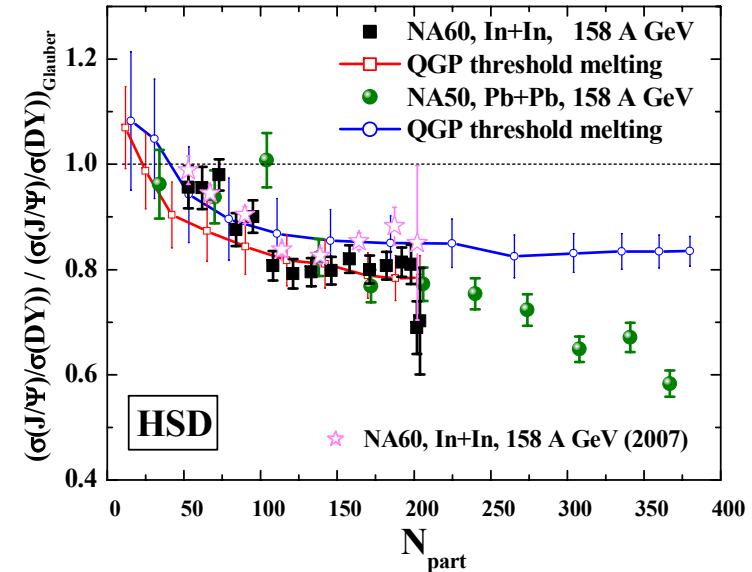
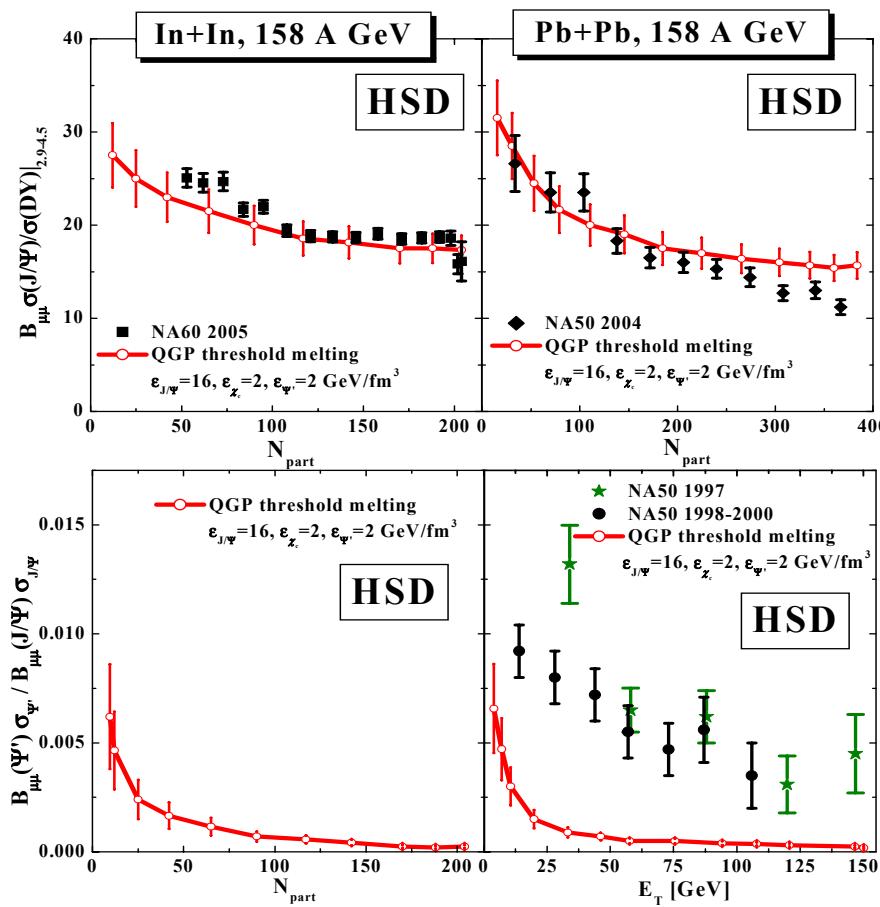


- Exp. data (NA50/NA60) for Pb+Pb and In+In at 160 A GeV are consistent with the comover absorption model for the same set of parameters!

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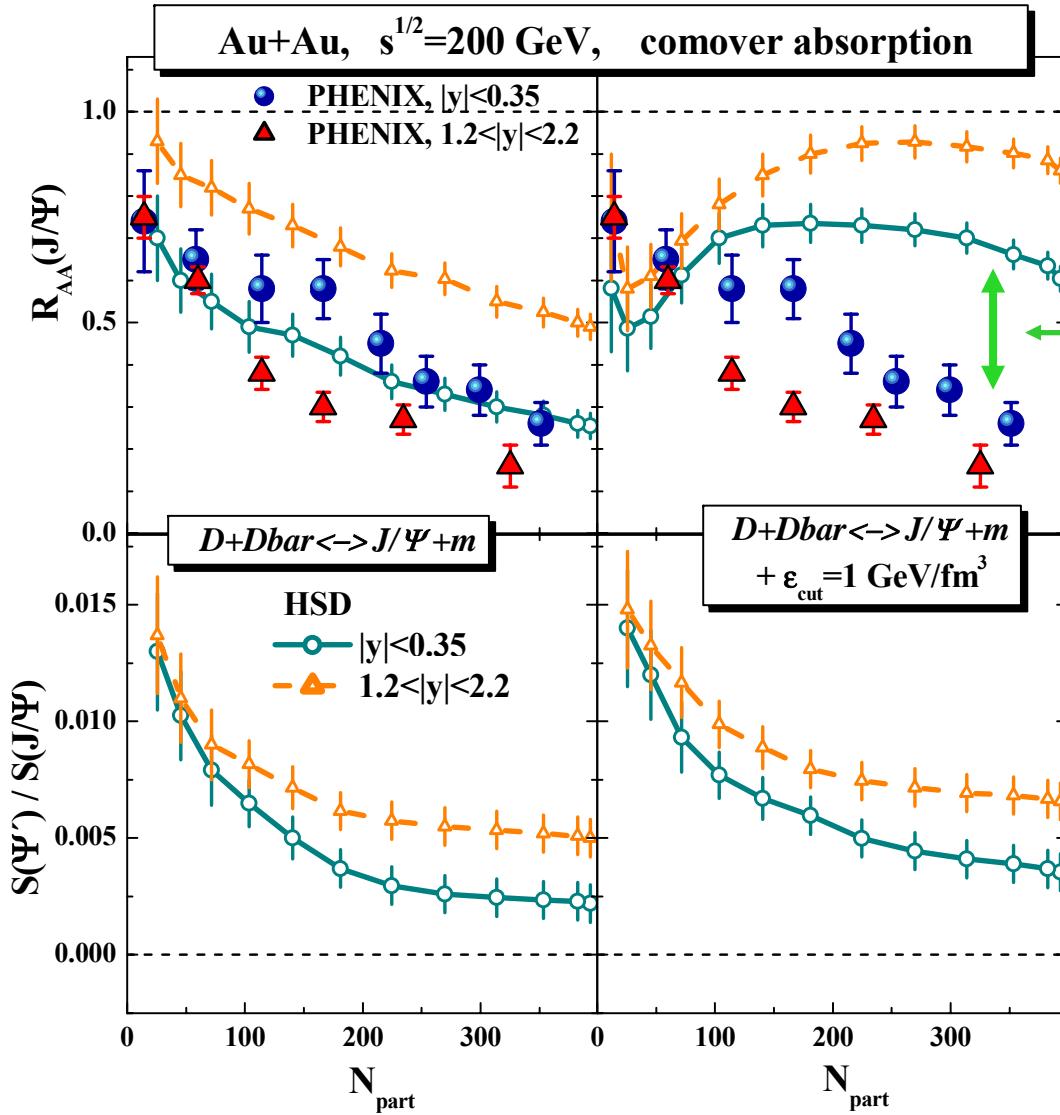
# J/ $\Psi$ and $\Psi'$ suppression in In+In and Pb+Pb at SPS: QGP threshold scenario

**Set 1:**  $\epsilon(J/\Psi)=16$  GeV/fm $^3$ ,  $\epsilon(\chi_c)=2$  GeV/fm $^3$ ,  $\epsilon(\Psi')=2$  GeV/fm $^3$



- Set 1: QGP threshold melting scenario with dissociation energy densities  $\epsilon(J/\Psi)=16$  GeV/fm $^3$ ,  $\epsilon(\chi_c)=2$  GeV/fm $^3$ ,  $\epsilon(\Psi')=2$  GeV/fm $^3$  shows too strong  $\Psi'$  absorption which contradicts to the NA50 data!

# J/ $\Psi$ and $\Psi'$ suppression in Au+Au at RHIC: Comover absorption

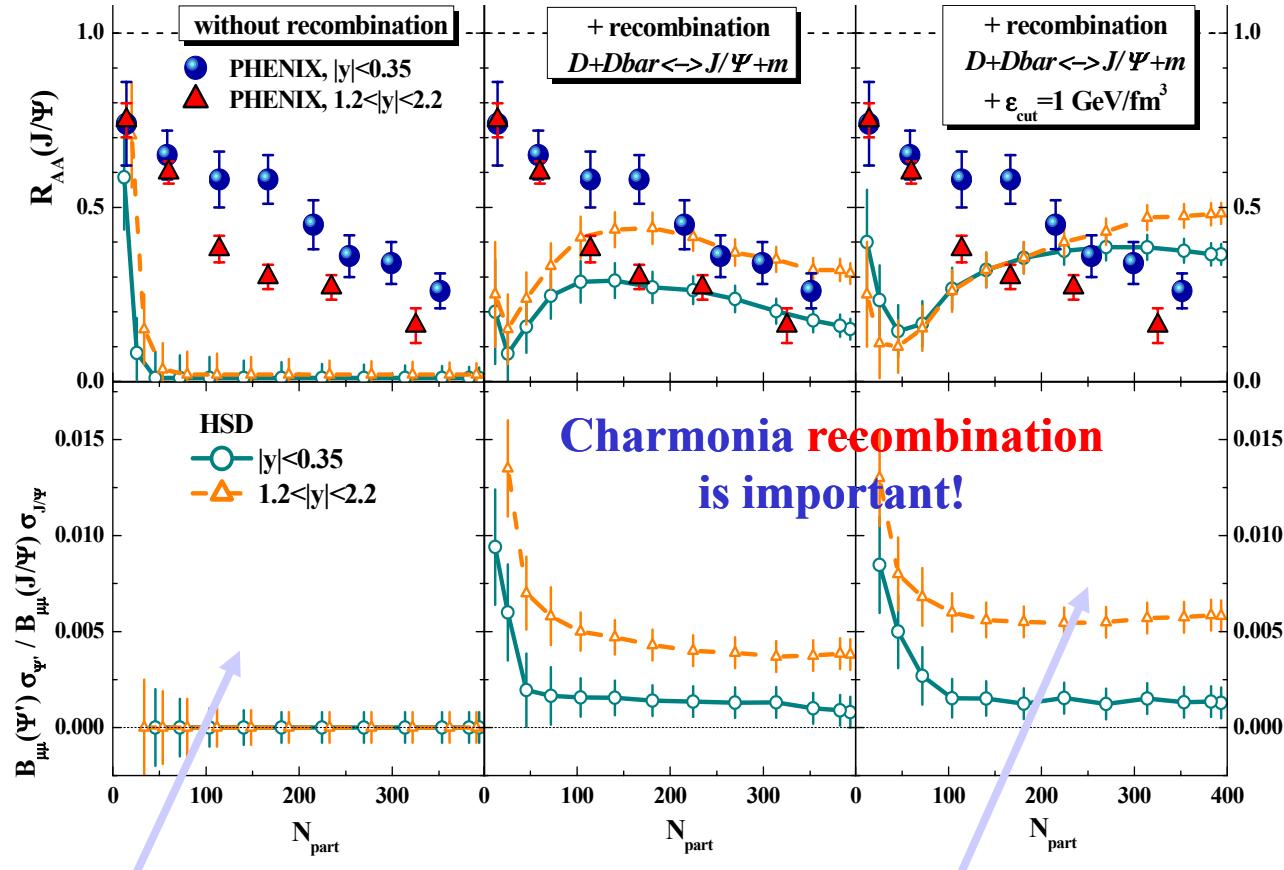


Energy density cut  
 $\epsilon_{cut}=1$  GeV/fm $^3$  reduces the meson comover absorption

Space for partonic effects

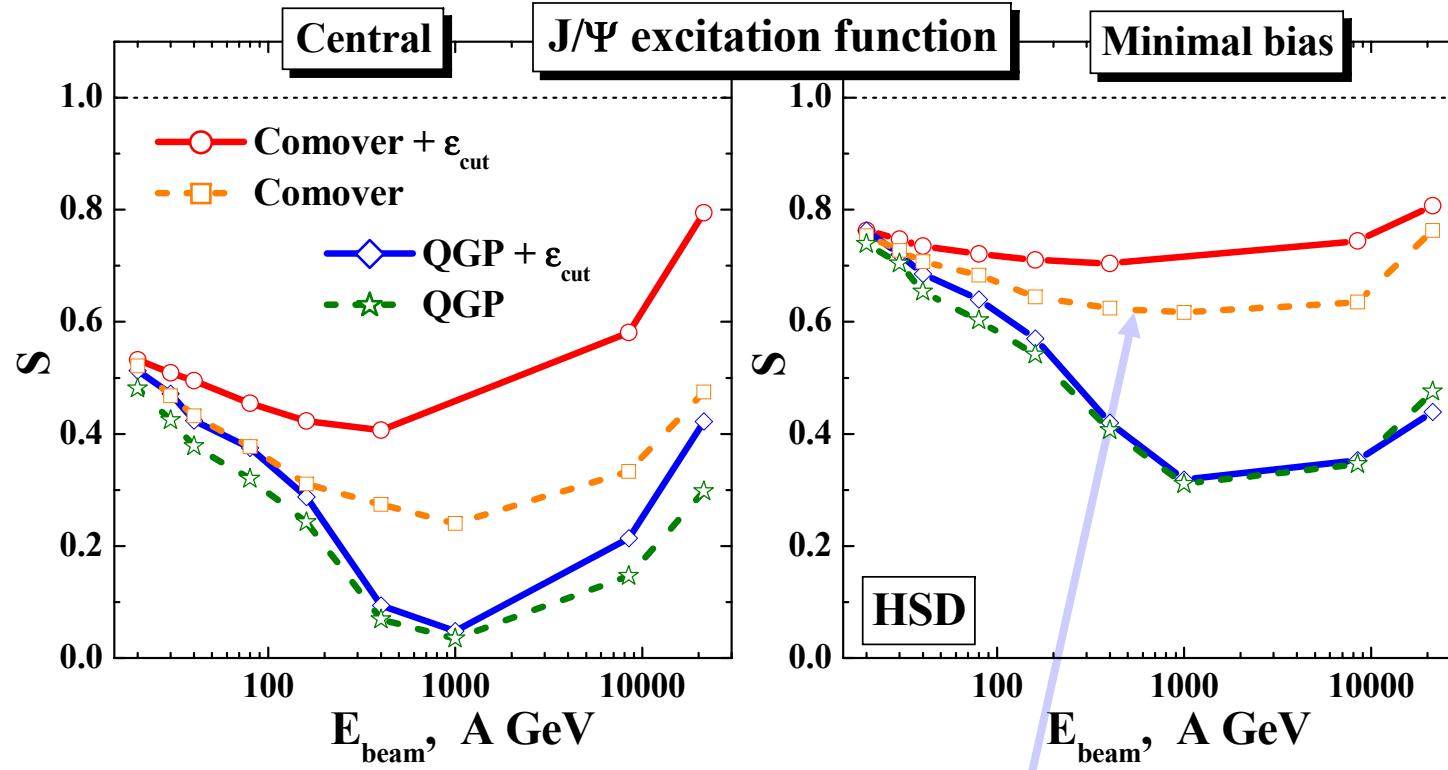
In the comover scenario the  $J/\Psi$  suppression at mid-rapidity is stronger than at forward rapidity, unlike the data!

# J/ $\Psi$ and $\Psi'$ suppression in Au+Au at RHIC: QGP threshold scenario



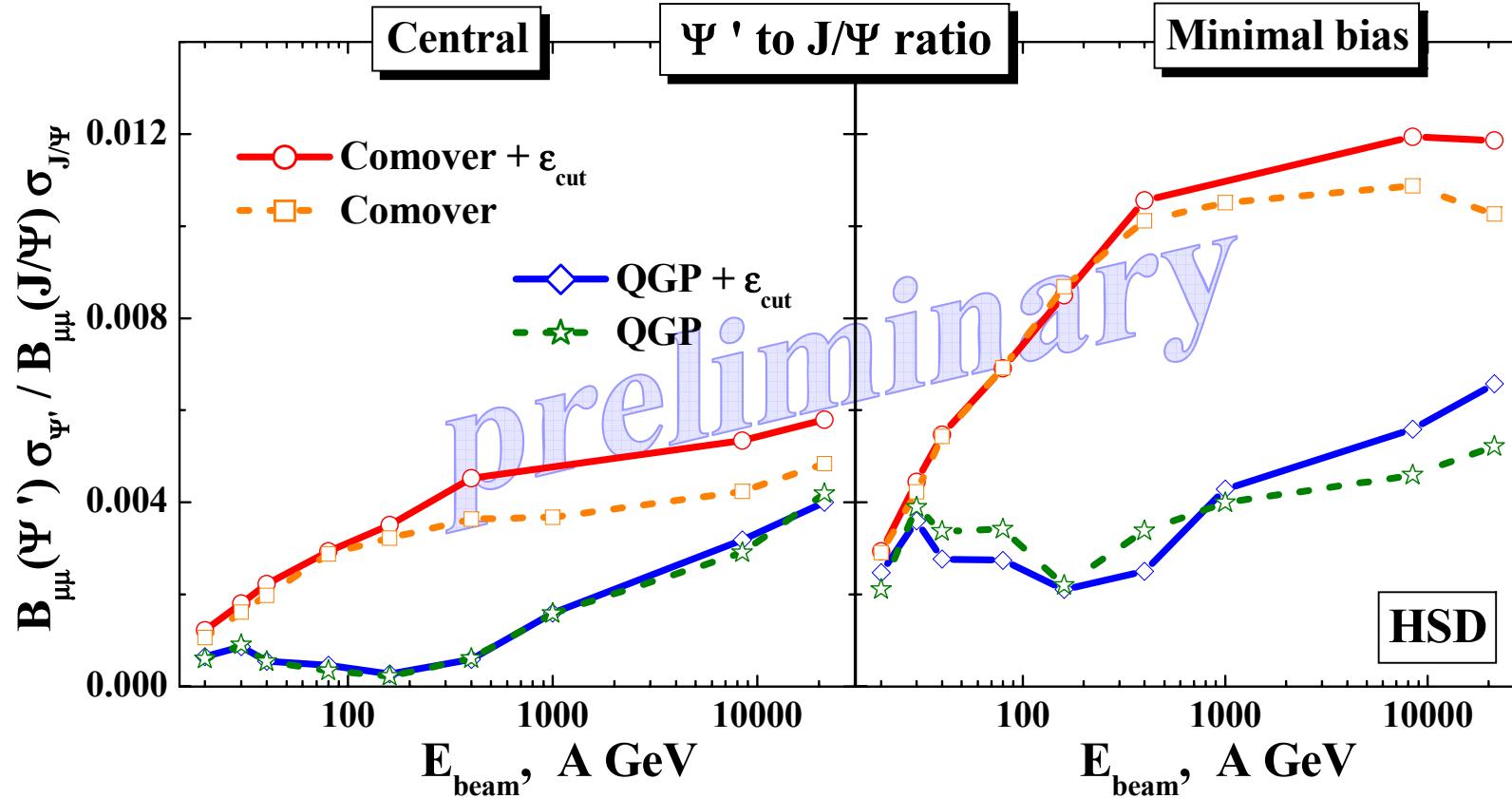
**QGP threshold melting scenario is ruled out by PHENIX data!**

## J/ $\Psi$ excitation function



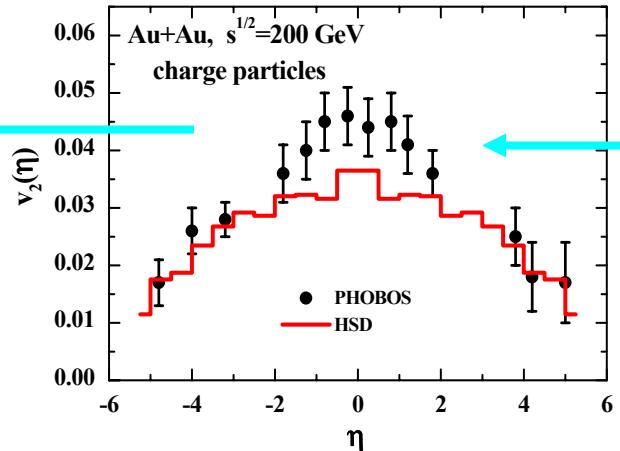
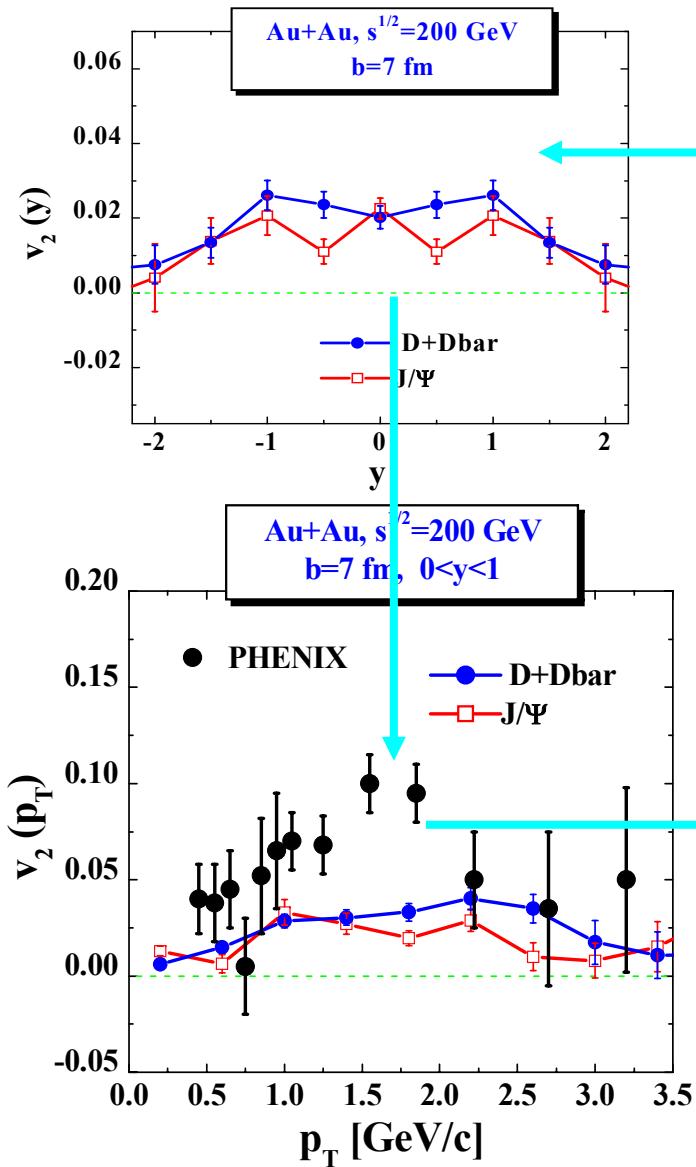
- Comover reactions in the hadronic phase give almost a constant suppression; pre-hadronic reactions lead to a larger recreation of charmonia with  $E_{\text{beam}}$
- The J/ $\Psi$  melting scenario with hadronic comover recreation shows a maximum suppression at  $E_{\text{beam}} = 1$  A TeV; exp. data ?

## $\Psi'$ excitation function



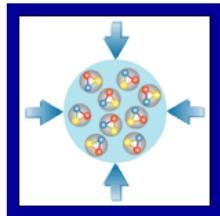
$\Psi'$  suppression provides independent information  
on absorption versus recreation mechanisms !

## HSD: $v_2$ of D+Dbar and J/ $\Psi$ from Au+Au versus $p_T$ and $y$ at RHIC

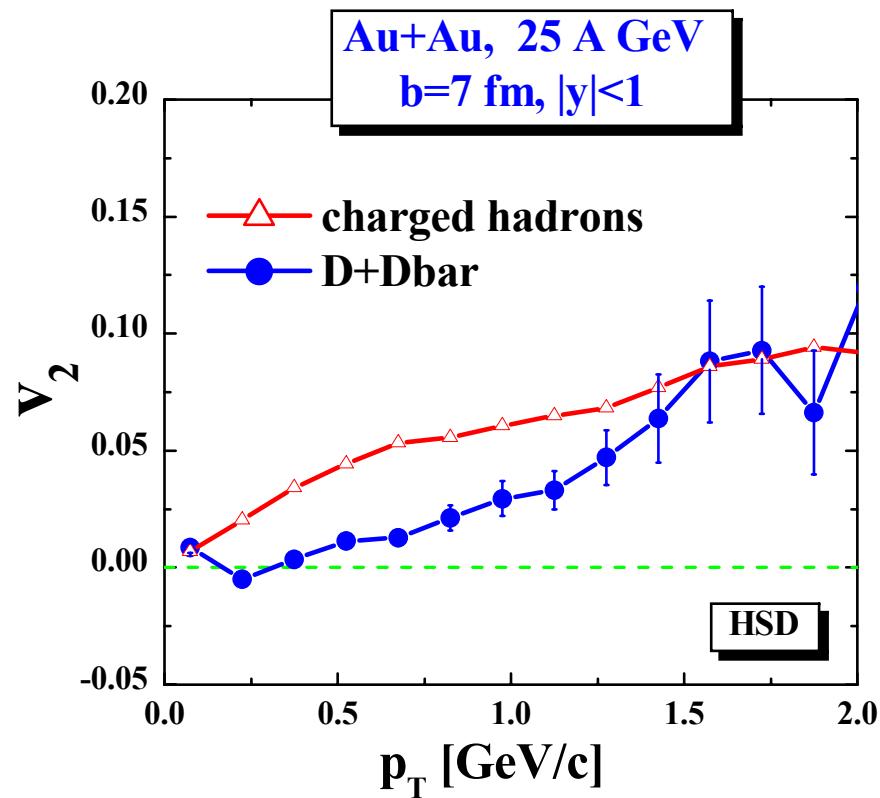


**Collective flow  
from hadronic  
interactions is  
too low at  
midrapidity !**

- **HSD: D-mesons and J/ $\Psi$  follow the charged particle flow => small  $v_2 < 3\%$**
- **Exp. data at RHIC show large collective flow of D-mesons up to  $v_2 \sim 10\%$ !**
- => strong initial flow of non-hadronic nature!** (cf. AMPT by Che-Ming Ko)



## HSD predictions for CBM - elliptic flow at 25 A GeV



- HSD: D-mesons and J/ $\Psi$  follow the charged particle flow  
=> small v<sub>2</sub>

AMPT with string melting  
shows much stronger v<sub>2</sub>!  
(Che-Ming Ko)

Possible observation at CBM:  
strong initial flow of D-mesons  
and J/ $\Psi$  due to partonic  
interactions!

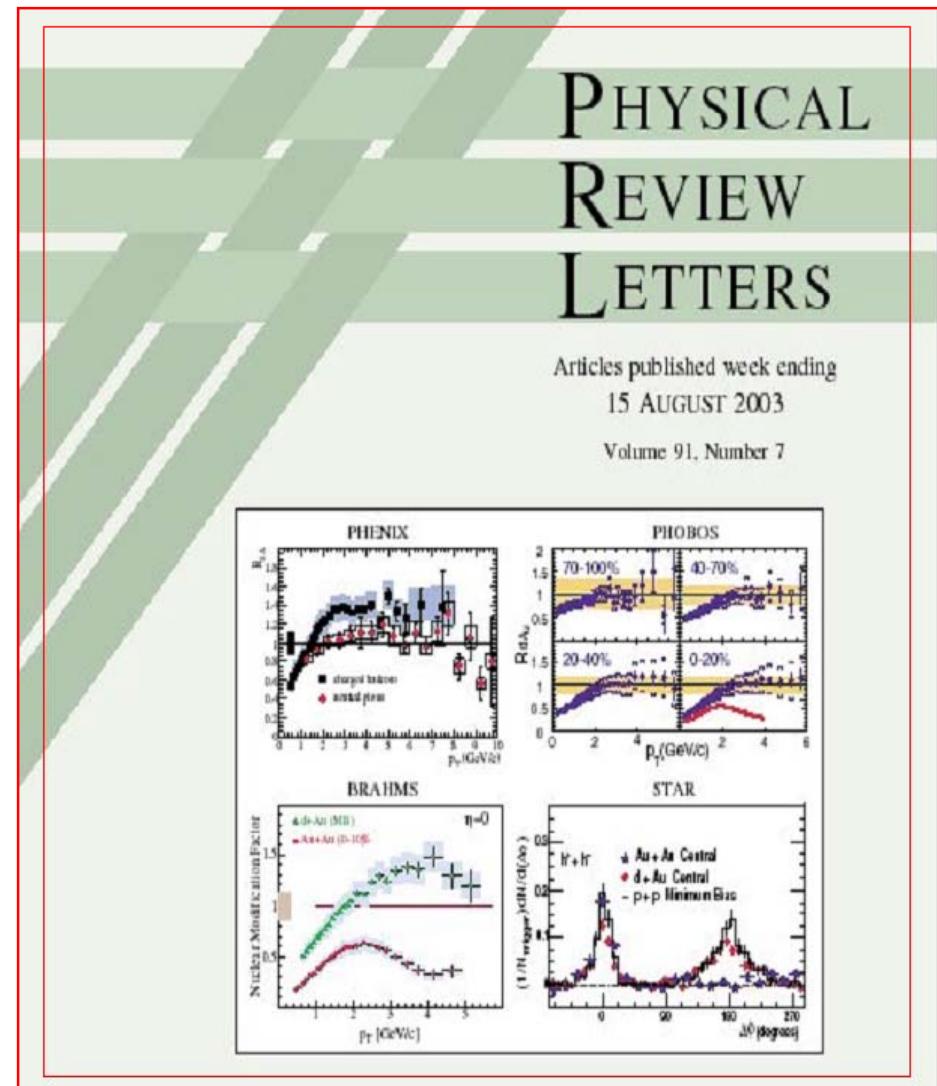
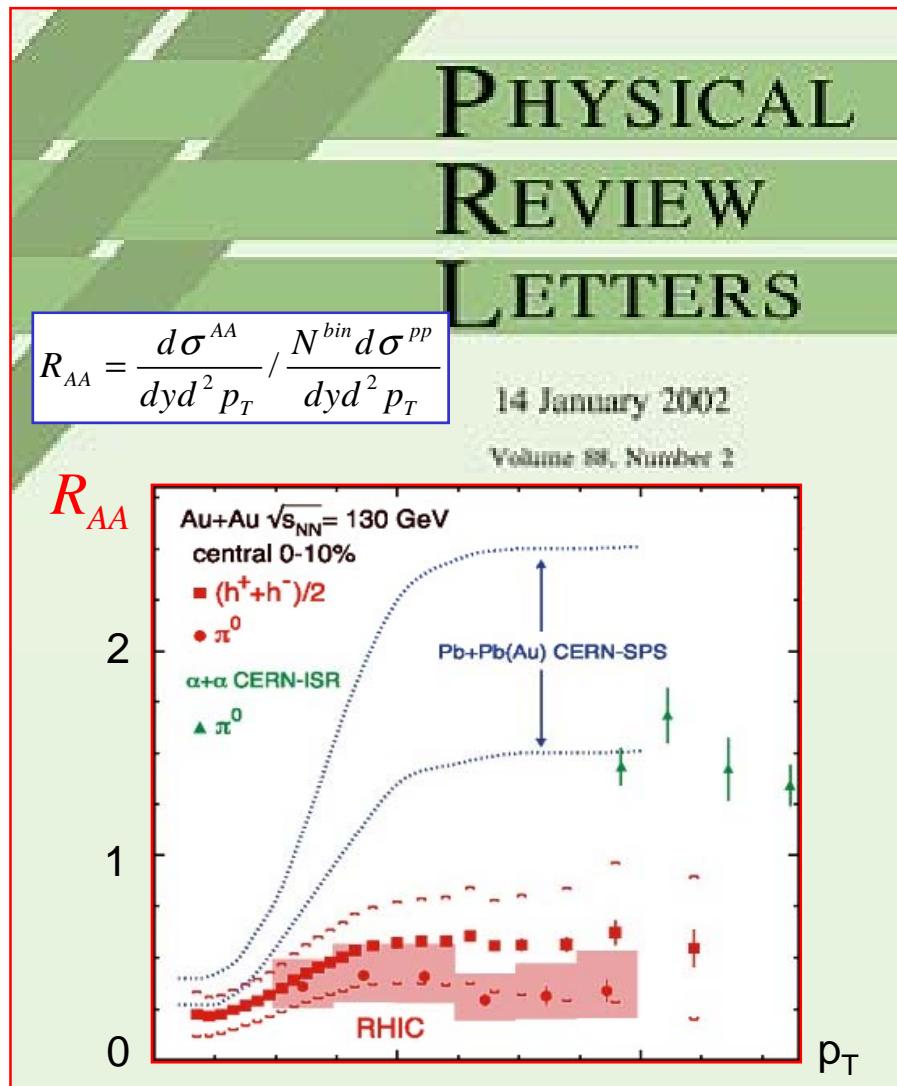
Challenge for CBM!

# Summary I.

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- **J/ $\Psi$  probes early stages of fireball and HSD is the tool to model it.**
- **Comover absorption and threshold melting both reproduce J/ $\Psi$  survival in Pb+Pb as well as in In+In at SPS, while  $\Psi'$ /J/ $\Psi$  data appear to be in conflict with the melting scenario.**
- **Comover absorption and threshold melting fail to describe the RHIC data at  $s^{1/2}=200$  GeV for Au+Au at mid- and forward-rapidities simultaneously.**
- **STAR data on  $v_2$  of high  $p_T$  charged hadrons and charm D mesons are NOT reproduced in the hadron-string picture => evidence for a huge plasma pressure ?!**

# High p<sub>T</sub> suppression of hadrons



# High $p_T$ suppression of hadrons: exp. observables

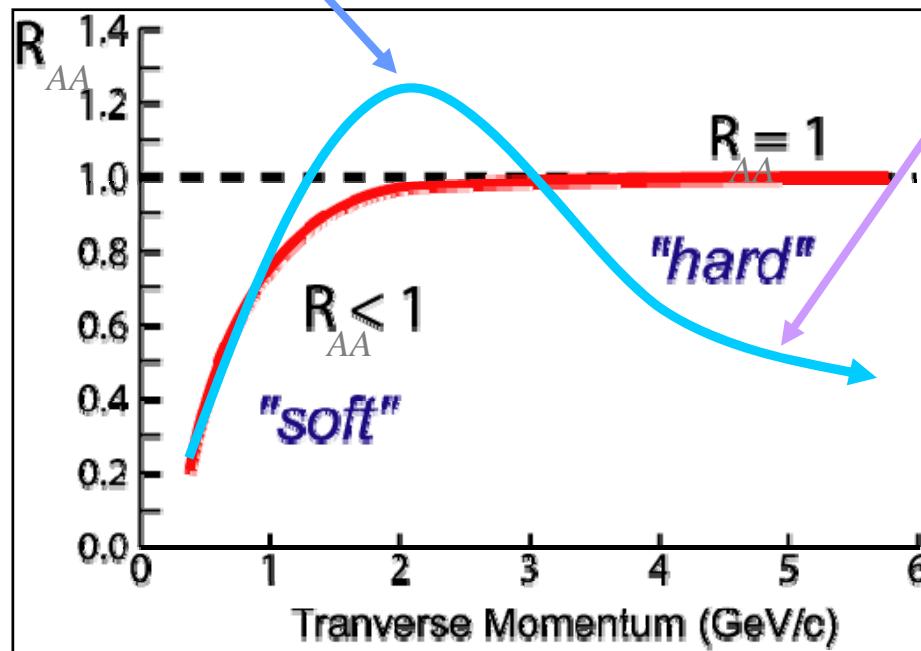
Nuclear Modification Factor:

Probe: initial + final state effects

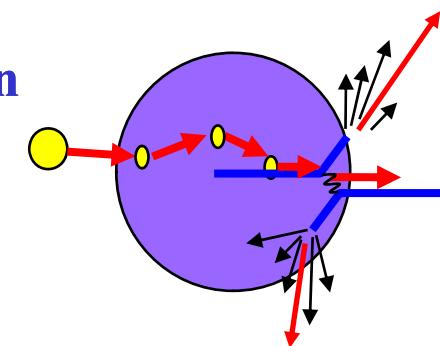
Cronin effect

“jet quenching”

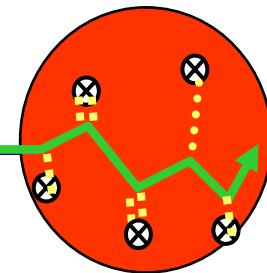
hadronic + partonic suppression



$$R_{AA}(p_T) \propto \frac{\sigma_{AA}}{\langle N_{\text{coll}} \rangle \cdot \sigma_{pp}}$$



## Cronin effect at RHIC (HSD)



**Cronin effect:** initial state semi-hard gluon radiation increases  $p_T$  spectra already in  $p+A$  or  $d+A$

**Dynamical modeling of the Cronin effect in HSD:**

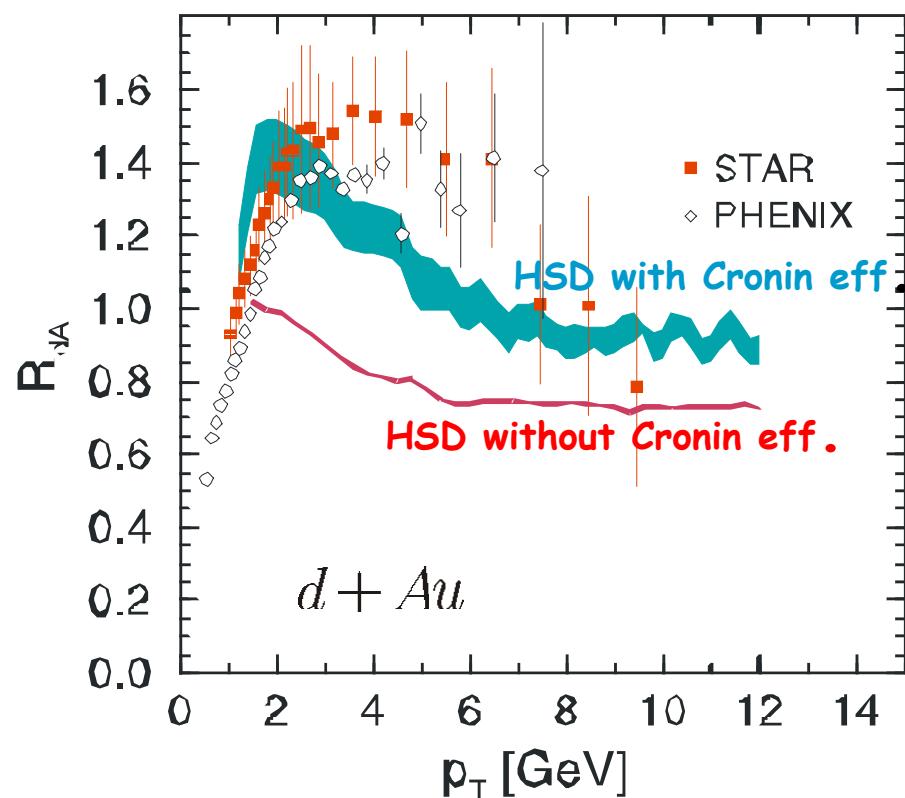
$$\langle k_T^2 \rangle_{AA} = \langle k_T^2 \rangle_{pp} (1 + a N_{\text{Prev}})$$

$N_{\text{Prev}}$  = number of previous collisions (dynamically calculated for each hadron!)

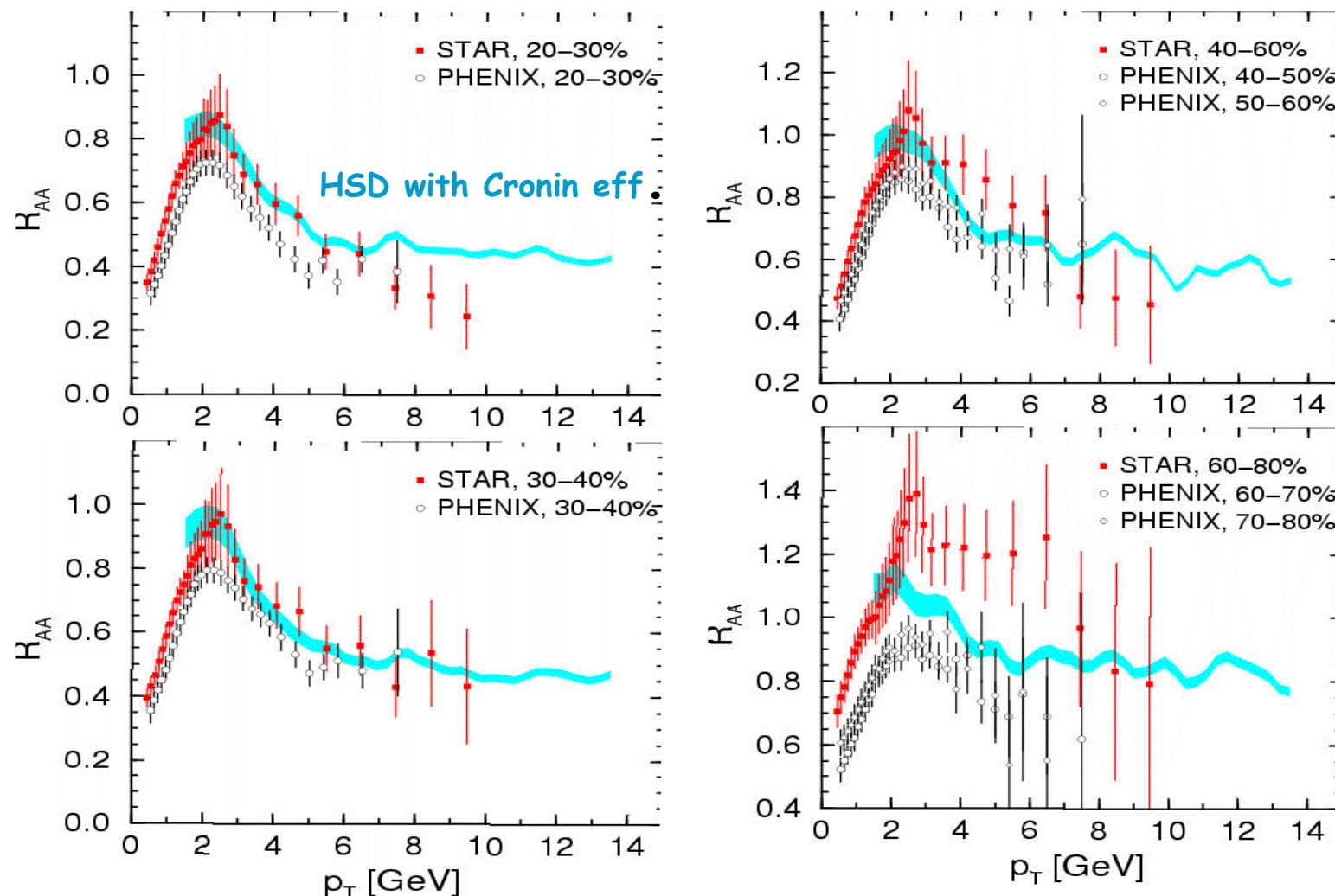
parameter  $a = 0.25 - 0.4$

W. Cassing, K. Gallmeister and C. Greiner,  
Nucl. Phys. A 735 (2004) 277

$$R_{dA}(p_T) = \frac{1/N_{dA}^{\text{event}} \cdot d^2N_{dA}/dydp_T}{\langle N_{\text{coll}} \rangle / \sigma_{pp}^{\text{inelas}} \cdot d\sigma_{pp}/dydp_T}$$



# High $p_T$ suppression in non-central Au+Au (HSD)

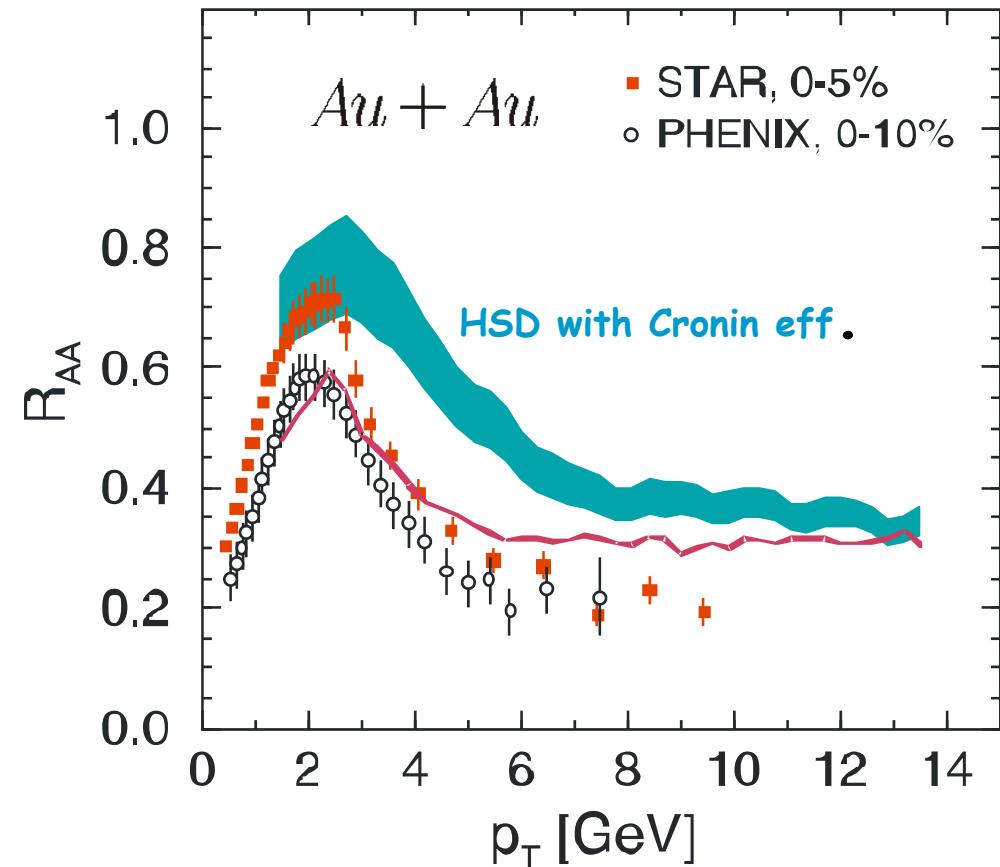


- Hadron-string model with Cronin effect provides  $\sim$  enough high  $p_T$  suppression for non-central Au+Au

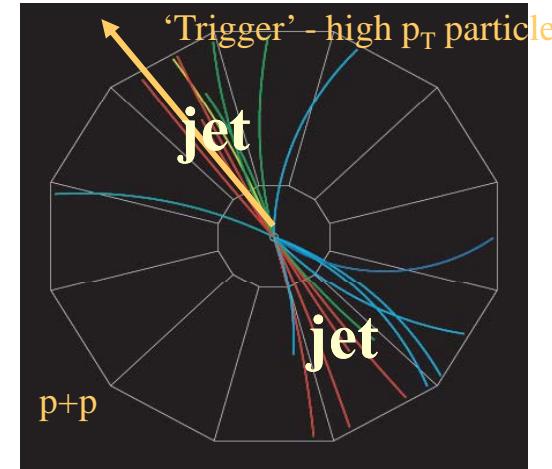
# Cronin effect in central Au+Au at RHIC (HSD)

$$R_{AA}(p_T) = \frac{1/N_{AA}^{\text{event}} \cdot d^2N_{AA}/dydp_T}{\langle N_{\text{coll}} \rangle / \sigma_{pp}^{\text{inelas}} \cdot d\sigma_{pp}/dydp_T}$$

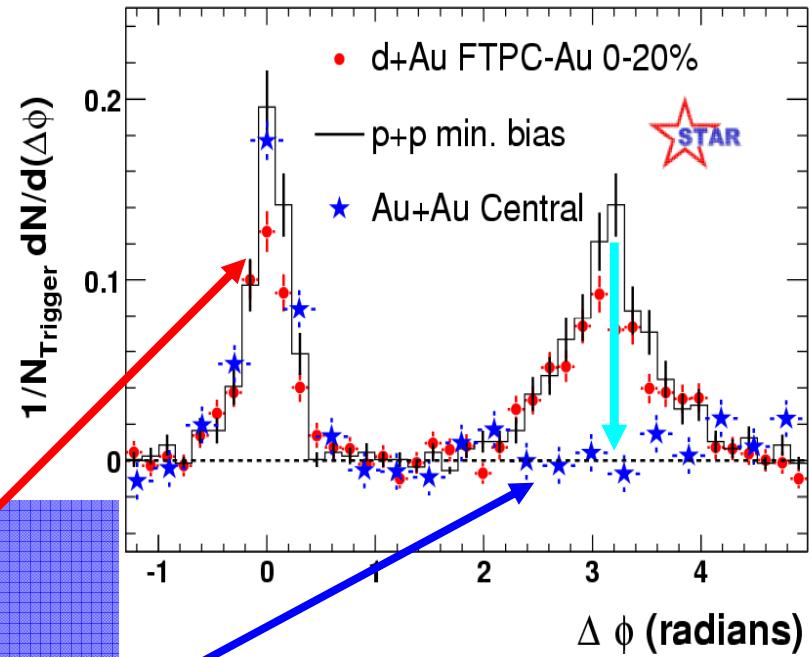
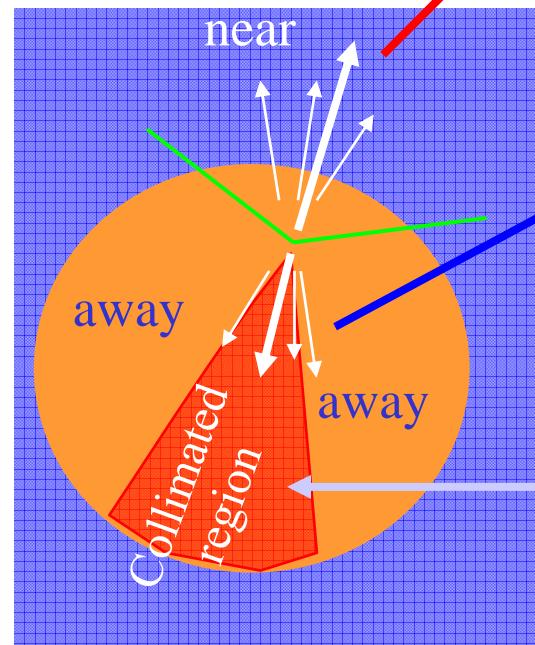
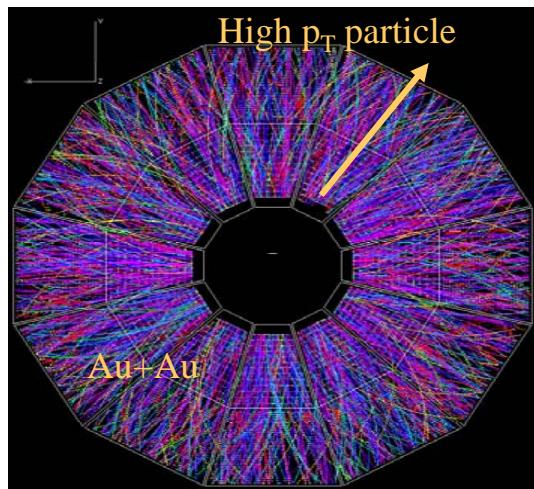
- Hadron-string model doesn't provide enough high  $p_T$  suppression for central Au+Au
- Extra suppression : from early partonic phase ?!



# Jet suppression: $dN/d\phi$



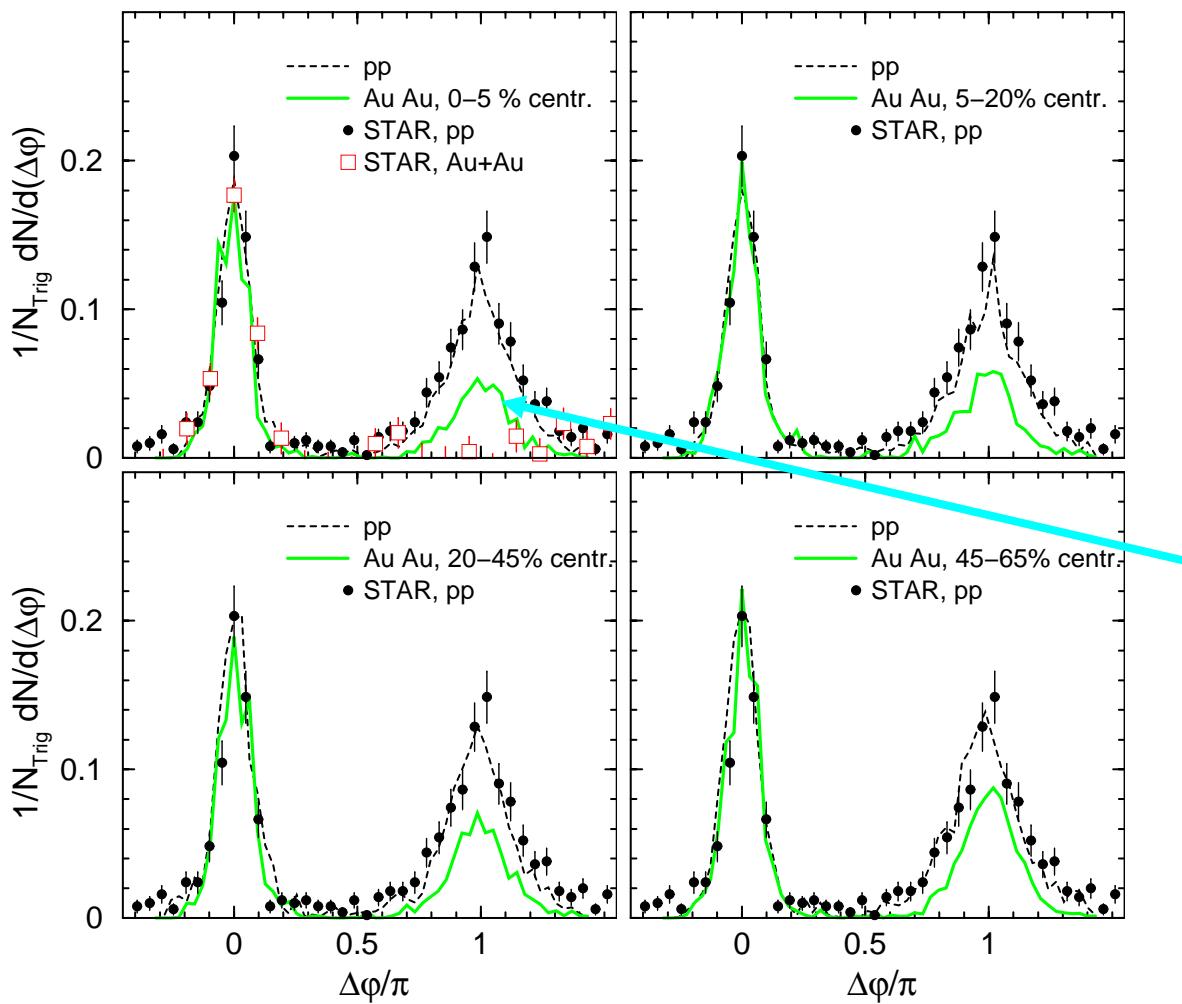
$4 < p_T(\text{trigger}) < 6 \text{ GeV}/c$   
 $p_T(\text{assoc.}) > 2 \text{ GeV}/c$



QGP suppression ?!

jet energy loss in the medium

# Jet suppression: $dN/d\phi$



- The jet angular correlations for pp are fine!
- Au+Au: The near-side jet angular correlation is well described, but the suppression of the far-side jet is too low!

# Summary II.

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- Cronin effect (initial state semi-hard gluon radiation) increases  $p_T$  spectra already in  $p+A$  or  $d+A$
  - The attenuation of high  $p_T$ -hadrons ( $R_{AA}$ ) is well reproduced in the hadron-string approach for non-central  $Au+Au$  collisions at top RHIC energies, however, underestimated in central  $Au+Au$  collisions.
  - The jet angular correlations for  $pp$  are fine, however, the suppression of the ‘far-side’ jet is underestimated in central  $Au+Au$  collisions at  $s^{1/2} = 200$  GeV
- System interacts more strongly in the early phase than hadron-like matter !

# Outlook

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- A deconfined phase is clearly reached at RHIC, but a theory having the relevant/proper degrees of freedom (quarks and gluons) in this regime is needed to study its transport properties.

HSD → Parton-Hadron-String-Dynamics  
(PHSD)

PHSD –  
transport description of the partonic and hadronic phase

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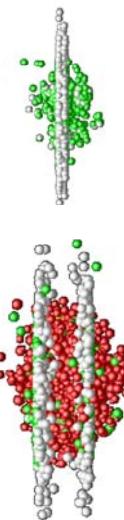
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# Outlook: PHSD - basic concepts

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**Initial A+A collisions – HSD: string formation and decay to pre-hadrons**

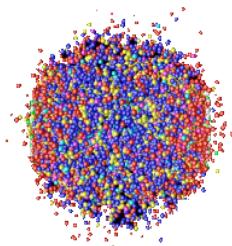
**Fragmentation of pre-hadrons into quarks:** using the quark spectral functions from the **Dynamical QuasiParticle Model (DQPM)** approximation to QCD

DQPM: Peshier, Cassing, PRL 94 (2005) 172301;  
Cassing, NPA 791 (2007) 365; NPA 793 (2007)

**Partonic phase:** quarks and gluons (= ,dynamical quasiparticles') with off-shell spectral functions (width, mass) defined by DQPM

**elastic and inelastic parton-parton interactions:** using the effective cross sections from the DQPM

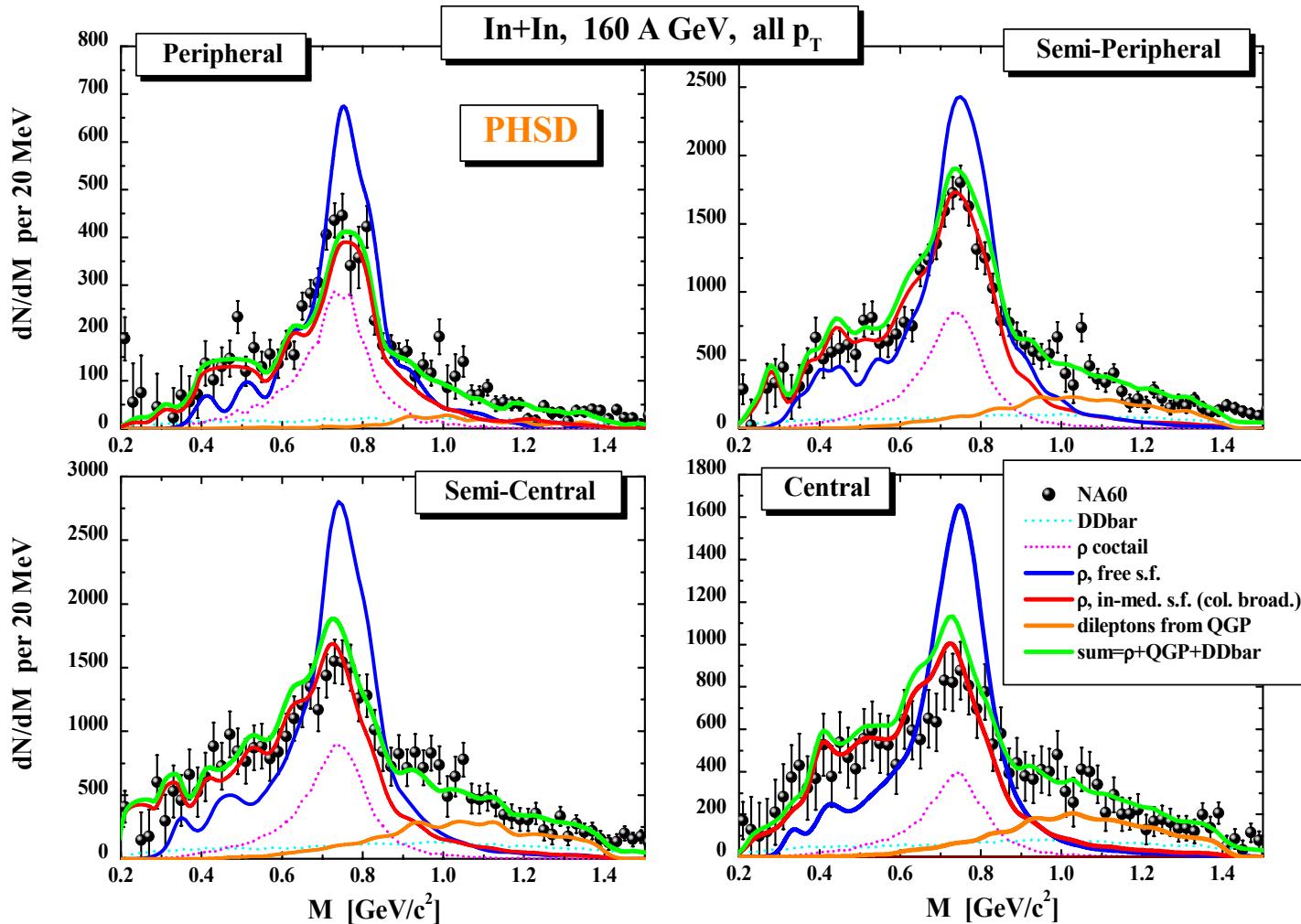
- ✓  $q + \bar{q}$  (flavor neutral)  $\leftrightarrow$  gluon (colored)
- ✓ gluon + gluon  $\leftrightarrow$  gluon (possible due to large spectral width)
- ✓  $q + \bar{q}$  (color neutral)  $\leftrightarrow$  hadron resonances



**Hadronization:** based on DQPM - massive, off-shell quarks and gluons with broad spectral functions hadronize to off-shell mesons and baryons:  
 $\text{gluons} \rightarrow q + \bar{q}$ ;  $q + \bar{q} \rightarrow \text{meson}$ ;  $q + q + q \rightarrow \text{baryon}$

**Hadronic phase:** hadron-string interactions – off-shell HSD

# Dilepton radiation from the sQGP – NA60



Conjecture: the sQGP shows up already at SPS energies !