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## **Outline**

- Motivation for heavy flavor physics
- Open heavy flavor
  - Charm mesons
  - Non-photonic electrons
- Quarkonia
  - J/ψ and Υ measurements
- Summary and Outlook

# Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider

RHIC site in BNL on Long Island - taking data from 2000



RHIC has been exploring nuclear matter at extreme conditions over the last years

Lattice QCD predicts a phase transition from hadronic matter to a deconfined state, the Quark-Gluon Plasma

#### Colliding systems:

p↑+p↑, d+Au, Cu+Cu, Au+Au Cu+Au, U+U

#### Energies

 $\sqrt{\mathbf{s_{NN}}}$  = 20, 62, 130, 200 GeV (500 GeV) + 7.7, 11.5, 27, 39 GeV

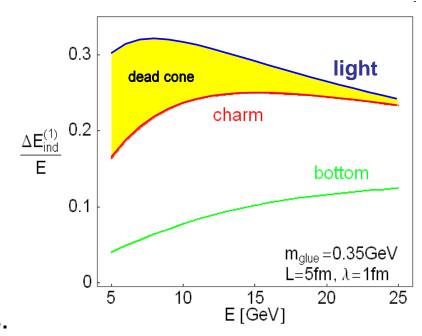
# Heavy quarks as a probe of QGP

#### p+p data:

- → baseline of heavy ion measurements.
- → test of pQCD calculations.
- Due to their large mass heavy quarks are primarily produced by gluon fusion in early stage of collision.
- → production rates calculable by pQCD.

  M. Gyulassy and Z. Lin, PRC 51, 2177 (1995)
- heavy ion data:
- Studying energy loss of heavy quarks.
- → independent way to extract properties of the medium.

#### **ENERGY LOSS**



M.Djordjevic PRL 94 (2004)

# Quarkonia states in A+A

Charmonia:  $J/\psi$ ,  $\Psi'$ ,  $\chi_c$  Bottomonia:  $\Upsilon(1S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(2S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(3S)$ 

Key Idea: Quarkonia melt in the QG plasma due to color screening of potential between heavy quarks

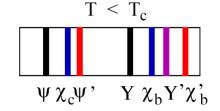
- Suppression of states is determined by T<sub>C</sub> and their binding energy
- Lattice QCD: Evaluation of spectral functions ⇒ T<sub>melting</sub>

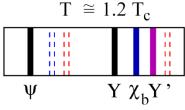
#### Sequential disappearance of states:

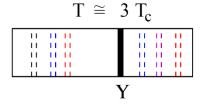
- $\Rightarrow$  Color screening  $\Rightarrow$  Deconfinement
- $\Rightarrow$  QCD thermometer  $\Rightarrow$  Properties of QGP

## When do states really melt?

$$T_{diss}(\psi') \approx T_{diss}(\chi_c) < T_{diss}(\Upsilon(3S)) < T_{diss}(J/\psi) \approx T_{diss}(\Upsilon(2S)) < T_{diss}(\Upsilon(1S))$$







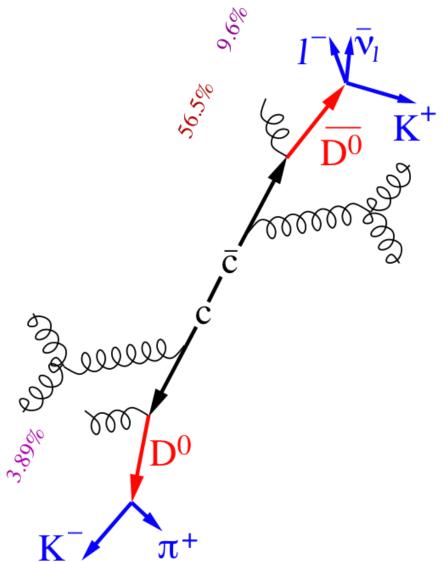
# Open heavy flavor

#### Direct reconstruction

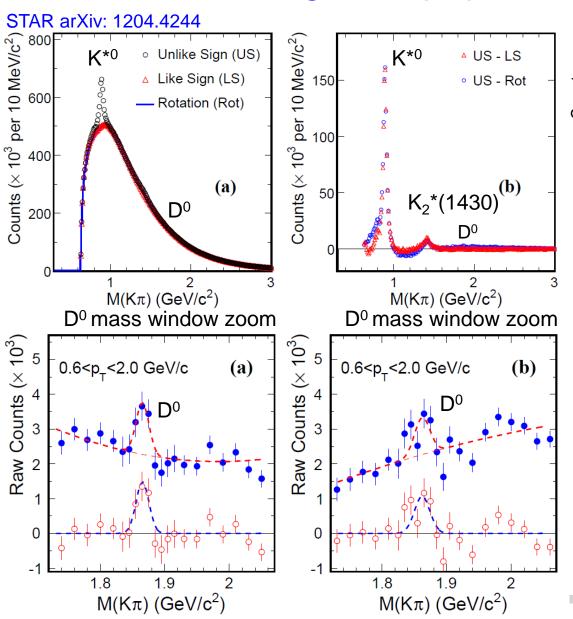
- direct access to heavy quark kinematics
- hard to trigger (high energy trigger only for correlation measurements)
- smaller Branching Ratio (B.R.)
- large combinatorial background (need handle on decay vertex)

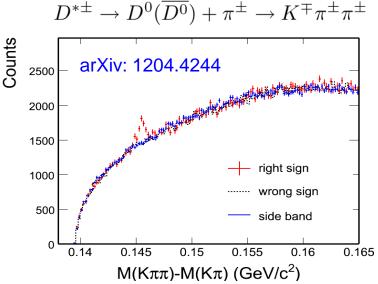
#### Indirect measurements through decay leptons

- can be triggered easily (high p<sub>T</sub>)
- higher B.R.
- indirect access to the heavy quark kinematics
- mixing contribution from all charm and bottom hadron decays



# D<sup>0</sup> and D\* signal in p+p and Au+Au 200 GeV

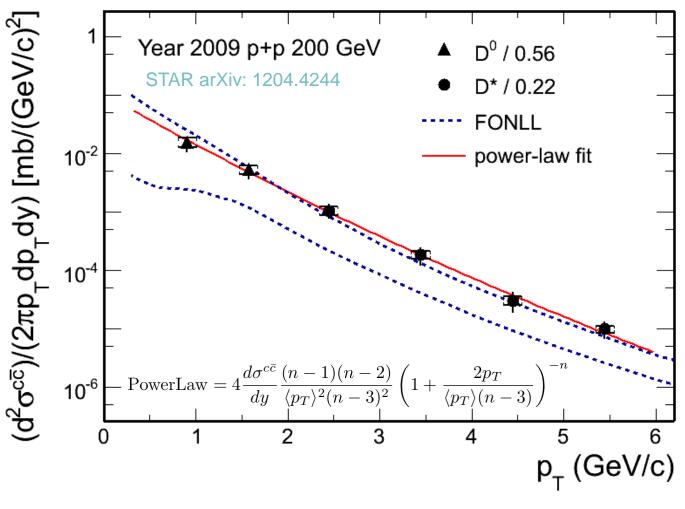




Different methods reproduce combinatorial background.

Consistent results from two background methods.

## D<sup>0</sup> and D\* p<sub>T</sub> spectra in p+p 200 GeV



 $D^0$  scaled by  $N_{D0}/N_{cc} = 0.56^{[1]}$   $D^*$  scaled by  $N_{D^*}/N_{cc} = 0.22^{[1]}$  Consistent with FONLL<sup>[2]</sup> upper limit.

 $\begin{aligned} &\text{Xsec} = \text{dN/dy}|^{\text{cc}}_{\text{y=0}} \text{ * F * } \sigma_{\text{pp}} \\ &\text{F = 4.7 \pm 0.7 scale to full} \\ &\text{rapidity.} \end{aligned}$ 

 $\sigma_{pp}(NSD) = 30 \text{ mb}$ 

The charm cross section at mid-rapidity is:

$$170 \pm 45 (\text{stat.})^{+37}_{-51} (\text{sys.}) \ \mu \text{b}$$

The charm total cross section is extracted as:

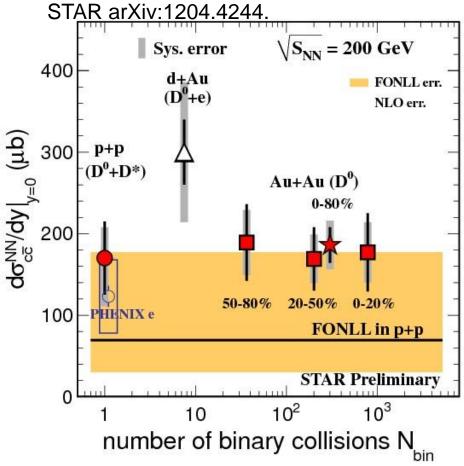
$$797 \pm 210 (\text{stat.})^{+208}_{-262} (\text{sys.}) \ \mu \text{b}$$

[1] C. Amsler et al. (Particle Data Group), PLB 667 (2008) 1.

[2] Fixed-Order Next-to-Leading Logarithm: M. Cacciari, PRL 95 (2005) 122001.

# Charm cross section vs N<sub>bin</sub>

YiFei Zhang, JPG 38, 124142 (2011)



All of the measurements are consistent.

Year 2003 d+Au :  $D^0$  + e

Year 2009 p+p :  $D^0 + D^*$ 

Year 2010 Au+Au: D<sup>o</sup>

Assuming  $N_{D0}/N_{cc} = 0.56$  does not change.

Charm cross section in Au+Au 200 GeV:

Mid-rapidity:

 $186 \pm 22 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 30 \text{ (sys.)} \pm 18 \text{ (norm.)} \mu \text{b}$ 

Total cross section:

 $876 \pm 103 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 211 \text{ (sys.)} \mu \text{b}$ 

[1] STAR d+Au: J. Adams, et al., PRL 94 (2005) 62301

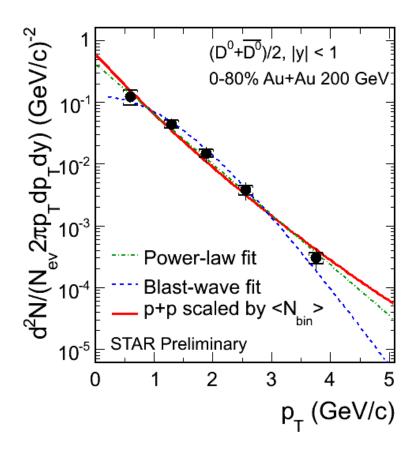
[2] FONLL: M. Cacciari, PRL 95 (2005) 122001.

[3] NLO: R. Vogt, Eur. Phys. J.ST 155 (2008) 213

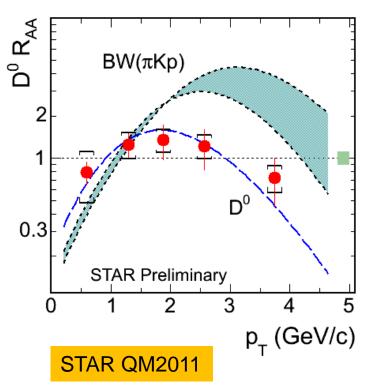
[4] PHENIX e: A. Adare, et al., PRL 97 (2006) 252002.

Charm cross section follows number of binary collisions scaling => Charm quarks are mostly produced via initial hard scatterings.

### D<sup>0</sup> nuclear modification factor Au+Au 200 GeV



BW (πKp): B. I. Abelev, et al., Phys. Rev. C 79 (2009) 34909.



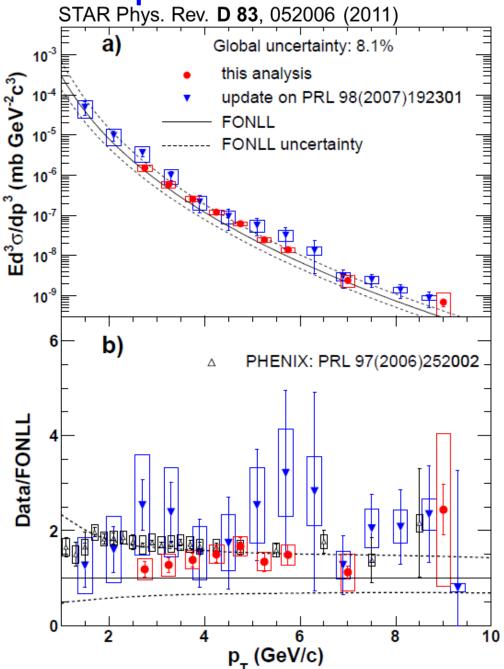
#### Au+Au 200 GeV:

No obvious suppression at p<sub>T</sub> < 3 GeV/c.</li>

$$R_{\text{AA}}(p_T) = \frac{\text{Yield}_{\text{AA}}(p_T)}{\left\langle Nbin \right\rangle_{\text{AA}} \text{Yield}_{\text{pp}}(p_T)}$$

# Non-photonic electrons

# Non-photonic electrons in p+p 200GeV



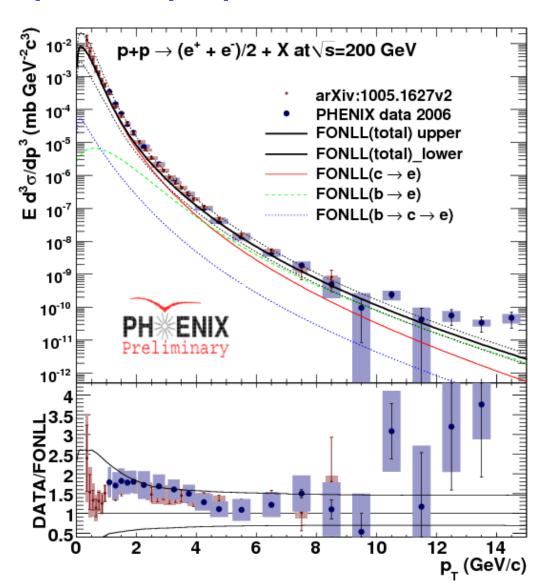
STAR and PHENIX NPE results in p+p 200GeV collisions

✓ Are consistent within errors at pT > 2.5 GeV/c

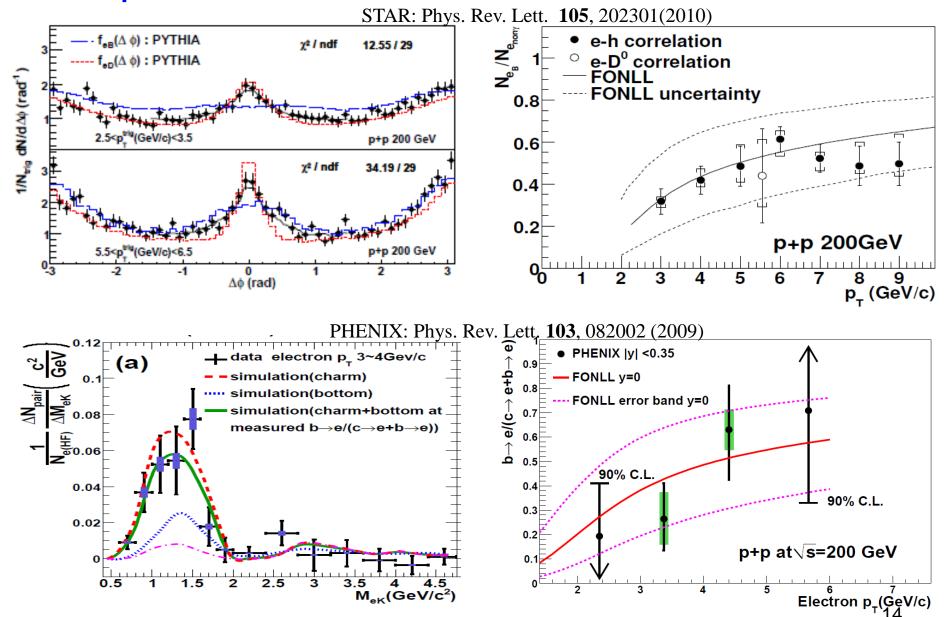
NPE results are consistent with FONLL in p+p 200GeV collisions

# PHENIX update p+p 200 GeV

- Combined Run5 and Run6 p+p statistics
- Smaller uncertainties
  - Allows more precise
     R<sub>AA</sub> comparisons
- Increased p<sub>⊤</sub> range
- Consistent with previous results in overlap region

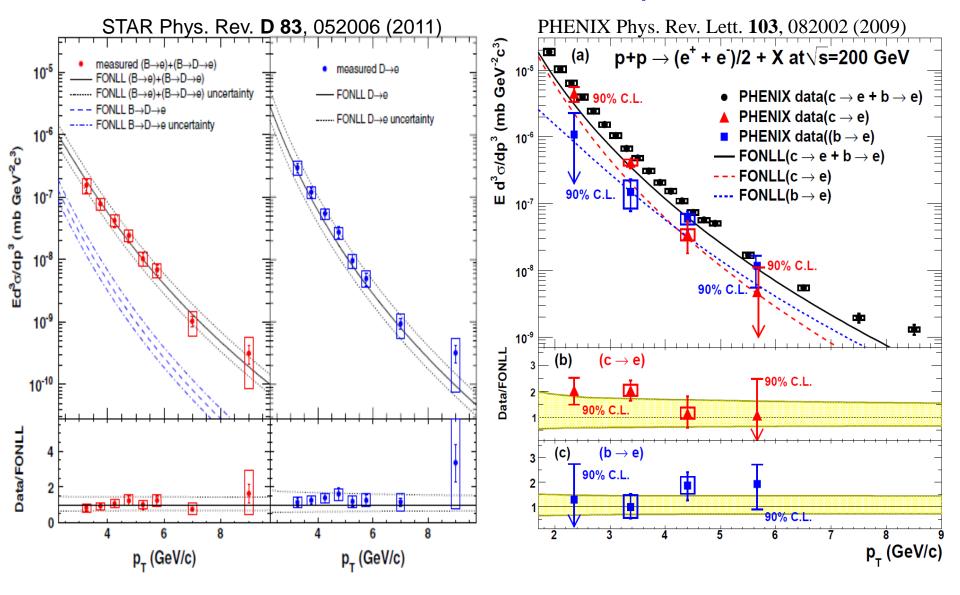


# Separation of charm and bottom contribution



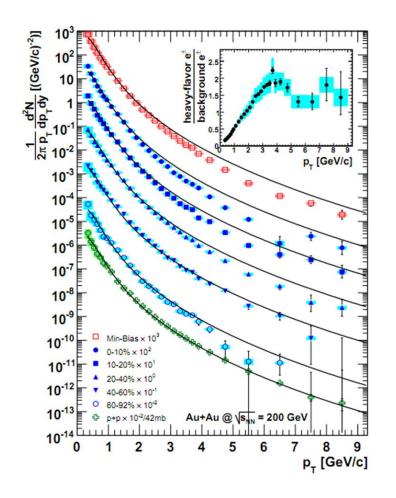
• ~30-60% of non-photonic electrons come from B meson in 200GeV p+p collisions.

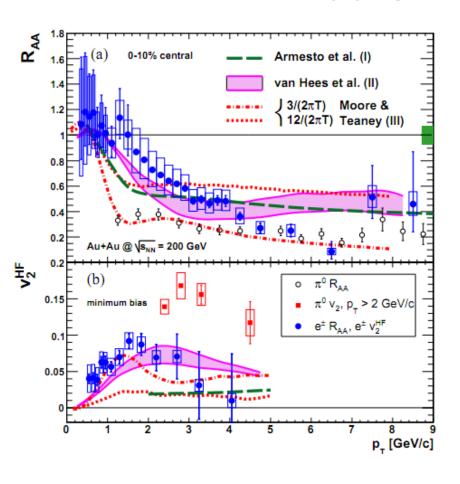
## Measurement of B and D meson spectra at RHIC



- p+p 200 GeV result
- ideal to get similar result from Au+Au but it's a lot harder.

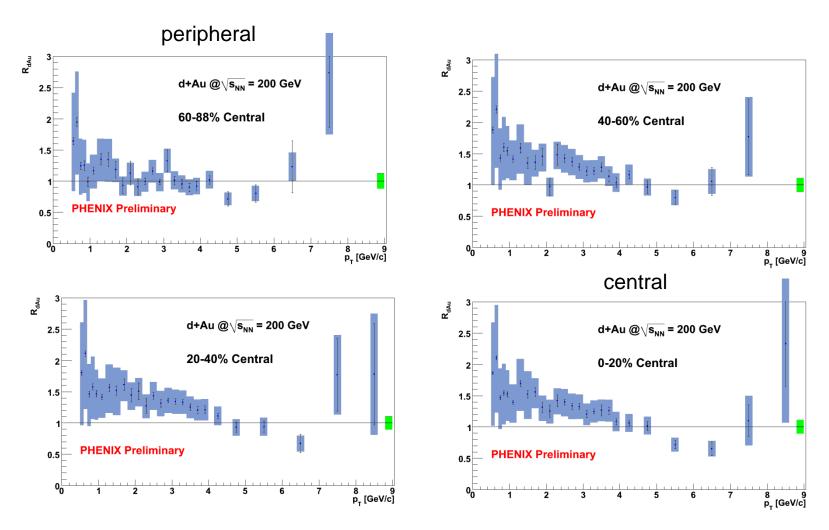
## Nuclear modification factor in Au+Au 200 GeV





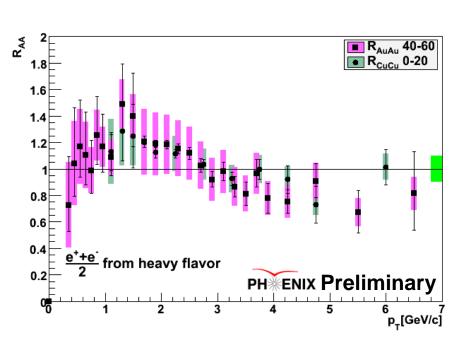
- Non-photonic electrons suppressed at high-p<sub>T</sub>
- Flow of NPE was measured

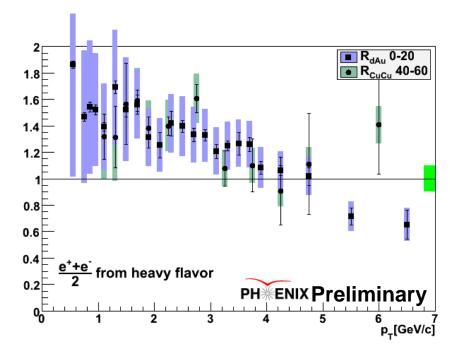
# Non-photonic electrons in d+Au 200 GeV



- Peripheral R<sub>dAu</sub> consistent with 1.0
- Evidence of CNM effects on open HF yields at 1<p<sub>T</sub><4 GeV/c for more central collisions

# d+Au/Au+Au and Cu+Cu





 $< N_{coll} > CuCu = 150$ 

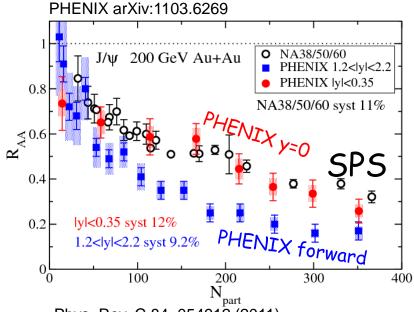
 $< N_{coll} > AuAu = 91$ 

$$< N_{coll} > dAu = 15$$

$$< N_{coll} > CuCu = 22.3$$

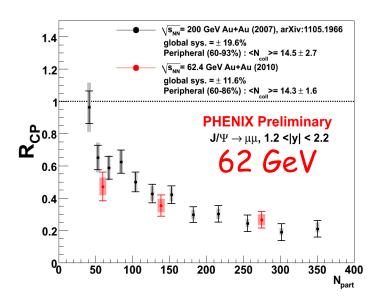
# QUARKONIA J/ψ

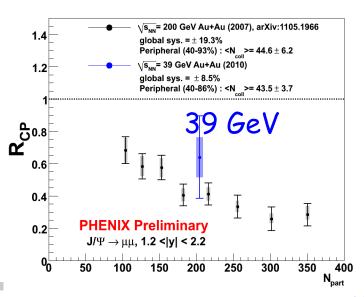
# Charmonium suppression



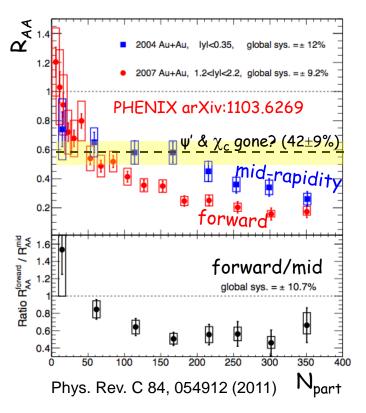
Phys. Rev. C 84, 054912 (2011)

- Overall suppression of J/ $\psi$  is nearly identical between RHIC (200,62,39 GeV), SPS (17.2 GeV) , (& LHC)
- Forward-rapidity is suppressed more than Midrapidity





# Forward rapidity suppression

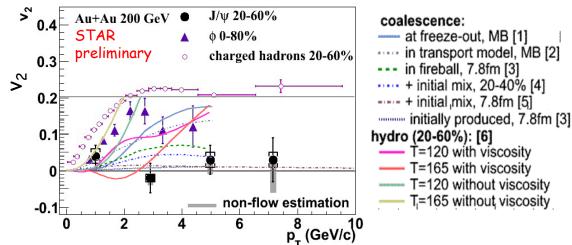


Small or no  $J/\psi$  flow at RHIC!

Many theoretical expectations & option #2 probably ruled out?

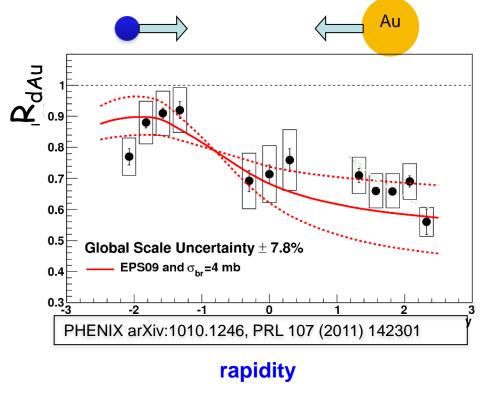
At RHIC - Forward-rapidity J/ψ's are suppressed more than Mid-rapidity – Why?

- 1) Stronger forward rapidity suppression due to CNM effects?
- 2) Regeneration at mid-rapidity reduces suppression relative to forward (and gives net suppression similar to SPS)?



## Cold nuclear matter effects – d+Au 200 GeV

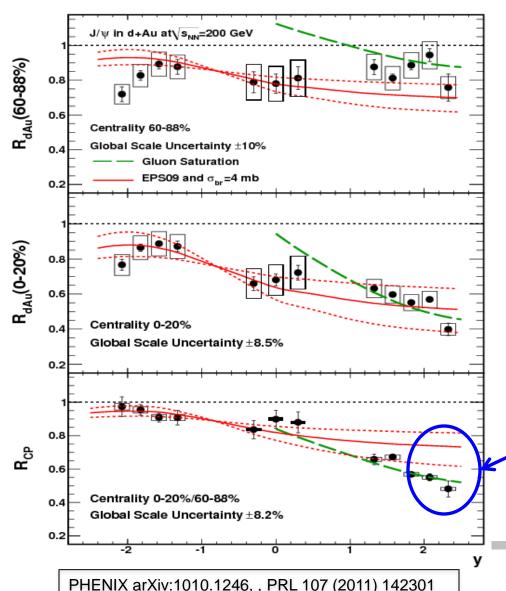
CNM effects appear to provide a large fraction of the observed suppression; so difficult to conclude much w/o a thorough understanding of CNM and its extrapolation to A+A from d+A



• we have to understand CNM in a fundamental way in order to obtain reliable/quantitative extrapolations to A+A.

## Cold nuclear matter effects - d+Au 200 GeV

#### centrality



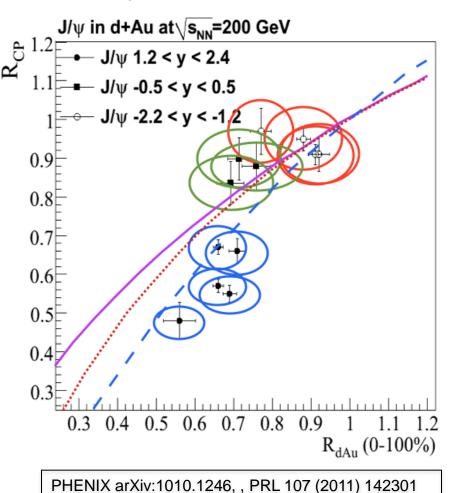
Reasonable agreement with EPS09 nPDF +  $\sigma_{br}$ =4 mb for central collisions but not peripheral

CGC calculations can't reproduce mid-rapidity (*Nucl. Phys. A 770(2006) 40*)

EPS09 with linear thickness dependence fails to describe centrality dependence of forward rapidity region.

# Cold nuclear matter effects – d+Au 200 GeV

path-length dependence



 Assume modification is dependent on the nuclear thickness

$$\Lambda(r_T) = \frac{1}{\rho_0} \int dz \, \rho(z, r_T)$$
Woods-
Saxon

Exponential:  $M(r_T) = e^{-a\Lambda(r_T)}$ 

Linear:  $M(r_T) = 1 - a\Lambda(r_T)$ 

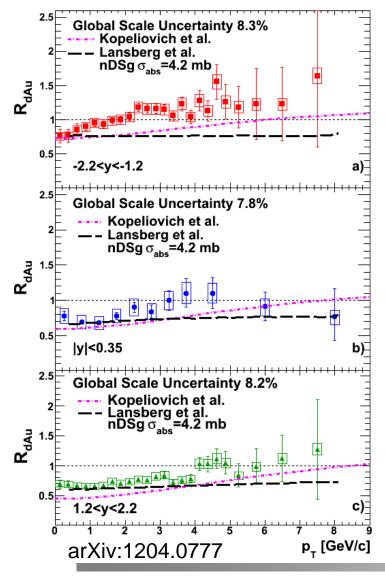
Quadratic:  $M(r_T) = 1 - a\Lambda(r_T)^2$ 

- Break-up has exponential dependence
- EPS09 & initial-state dE/dx have unknown dependences

The forward rapidity points suggests a quadratic or higher geometrical dependence

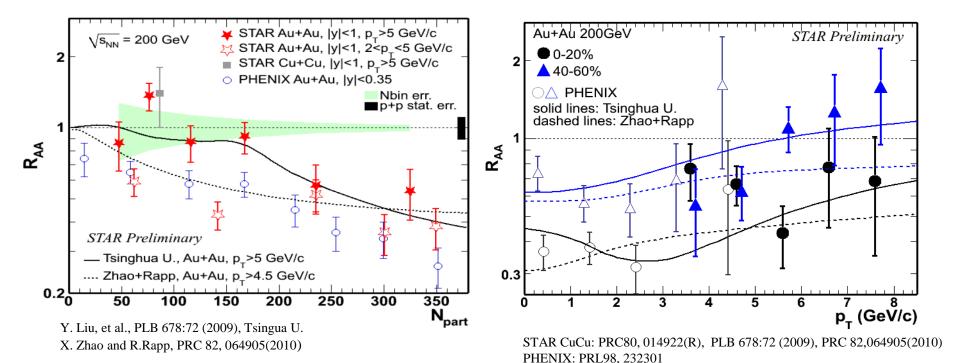
# Cold nuclear matter effects – d+Au 200 GeV

#### Transverse momentum



- Similar suppression at mid & forward rapidity
- Suppression for  $p_T < 4 \text{ GeV/c}$
- $R_{dAu} \approx 1 \text{ for } p_T > 4 \text{ GeV/c}$
- Backward rapidity: R<sub>dAu</sub> > 1 for p<sub>T</sub> > 2 GeV/c

# High-p<sub>T</sub> J/ψ measurement Au+Au 200 GeV



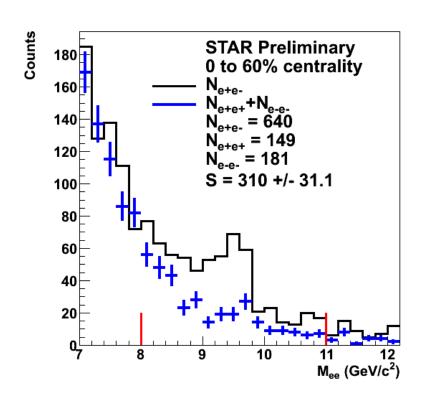
- . Suppression of  $J/\psi$  in central and semi-central collisions is observed.
- R<sub>AA</sub> increases with p<sub>T</sub> and decreases with centrality.
- At high  $p_T$  suppression is present only in central collisions.

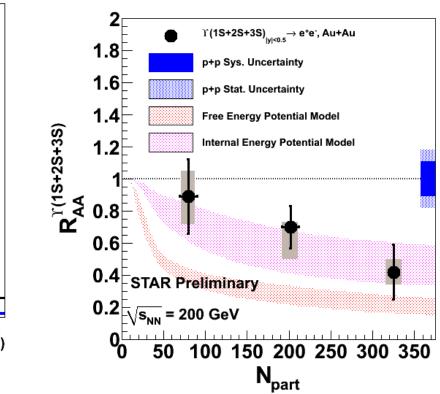
## **QUARKONIA**

$$Y -> e^+e^-$$

# Models from M. Strickland and D. Bazow, arXiv:1112.2761v4

# Upsilon in Au+Au 200 GeV





- R<sub>AA</sub>: Observation of Upsilon suppression.
   (Including 2009 pp Preliminary dσ/dy)
  - Expect: Recombination: negligible, Hadronic co-mover absorption: negligible.
  - Suppression consistent with melting of excited states: deconfinement effects

# Summary and outlook

- Heavy flavor is an important tool to understand medium properties.
- Results are interesting and challenging.

#### open charm measurement

- Charm hadrons; non-photonic electrons
- Charm production cross section.
- Separation of charm and bottom contribution.
- FONLL QCD describes the data rather well.

#### **J/**ψ

- SPS x RHIC mid x forward rapidity suppression.
- Systematic study of Cold nuclear effects.
- Less suppression at high-p<sub>⊤</sub> in STAR.

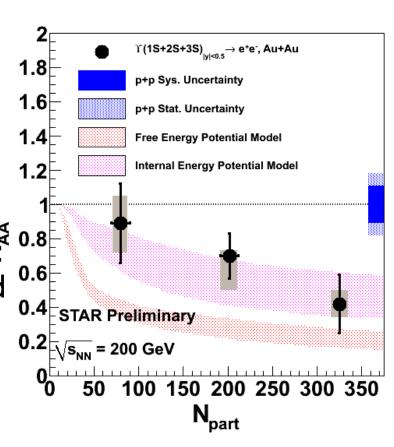
#### Y

Suppression of Y(1S+2S+3S) in central Au+Au observed.

STAR/PHENIX upgrades: charm mesons flow; Y states separation better charm/bottom separation

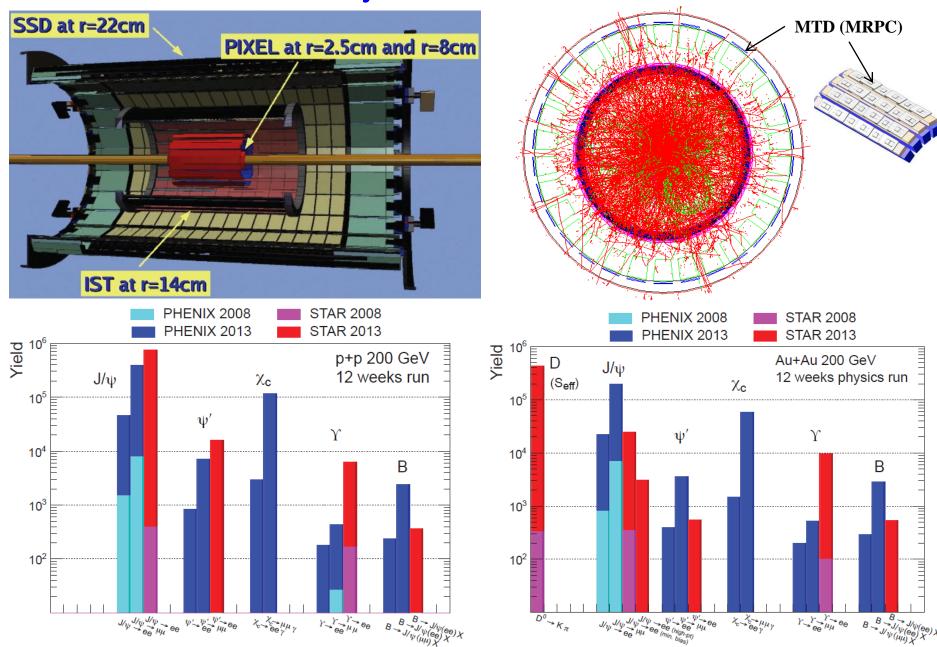
# Y model comparison

- Incorporating lattice-based potentials, including real and imaginary parts
  - A: Free energy (disfavored),
  - B: Internal energy (consistent with data vs. N<sub>part</sub>)
- Includes sequential melting and feed-down contributions
- Dynamical expansion, variations in initial conditions (T, η/S)
  - Data indicate:  $428 < T_0 < 442 \text{ MeV}$ ,  $1 < 4\pi\eta/S < 3$



M. Strickland and D. Bazow, arXiv:1112.2761v4

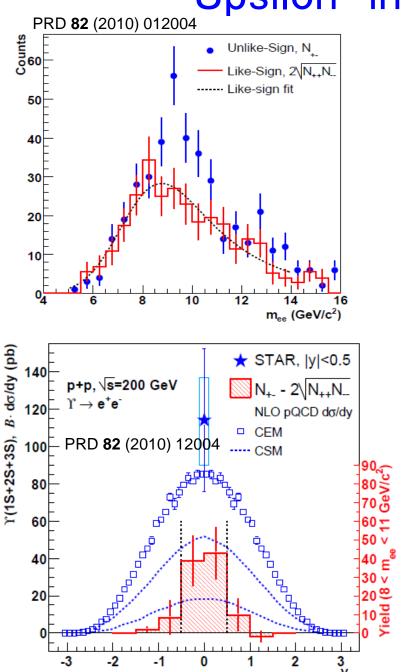
#### Future of Heavy Flavor Measurement at STAR

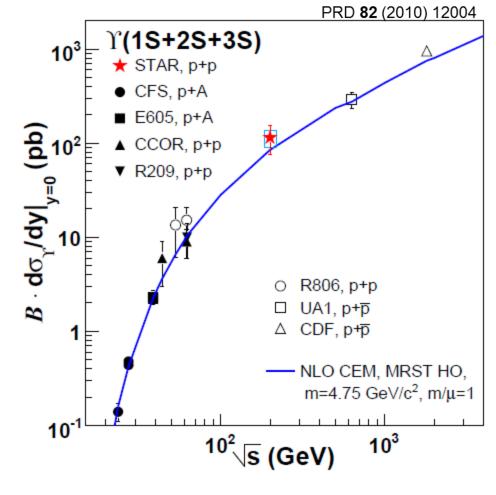


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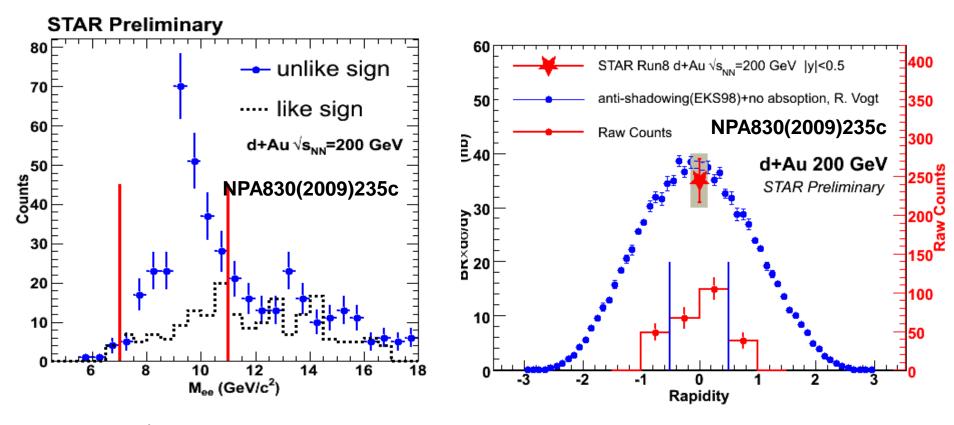
# Upsilon in p+p 200GeV





$$B_{ee} \frac{d\sigma}{dy} \bigg|_{y=0} = 114 \pm 38(stat)_{-24}^{+23}(sys)$$
 pb

# Upsilon in d+Au 200GeV

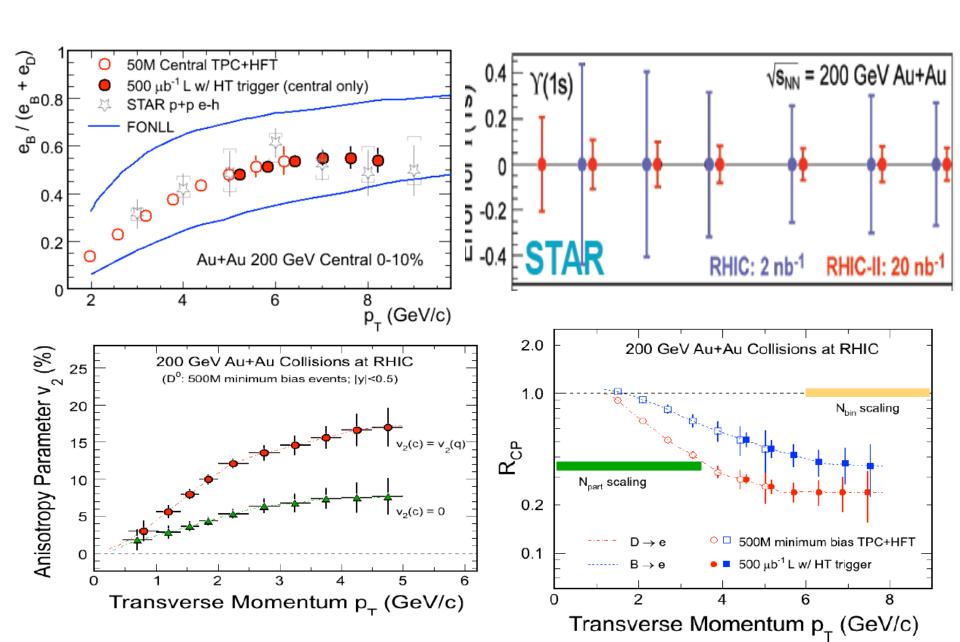


$$B_{ee} \frac{d\sigma}{dy} \bigg|_{y=0} = 35 \pm 4(stat) \pm 5(sys)$$
 nb

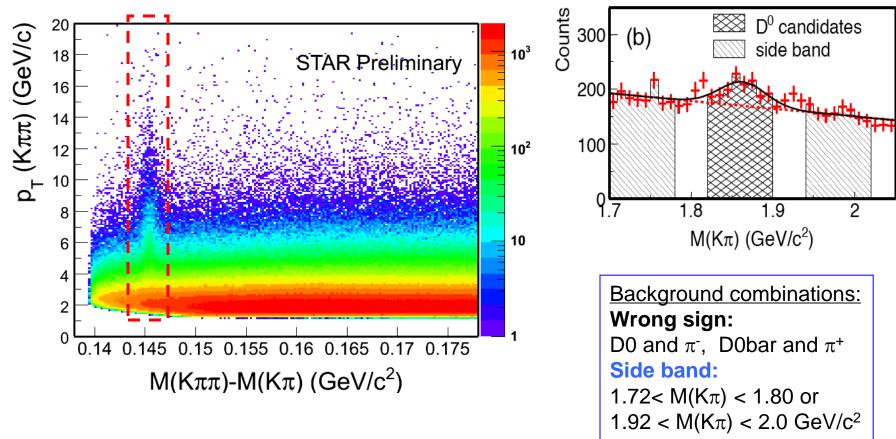
$$R_{dAu} = 0.8 \pm 0.3(stat) \pm 0.2(sys)$$

Consistent with N<sub>bin</sub> scaling of cross-section p+p - d+Au 200GeV

## STAR with HFT



#### D\* reconstruction



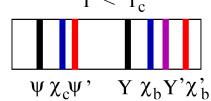
All triggers included.

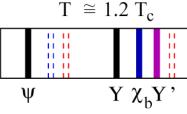
More than  $4\sigma$  signal at low  $p_T$  and very significant at high  $p_T$  - mostly from EMC-based high neutral energy triggers.

## Charmonia in nuclear matter

- Production mechanism is not clear
- Observed J/ψ is a mixture of direct production + feeddown
  - All J/ $\psi$  ~ 0.6 J/ $\psi$  (Direct) + ~0.3 χ<sub>c</sub> + ~0.1 $\psi$
- Suppression and enhancement in the "cold" nuclear medium
  - Nuclear Absorption, Gluon shadowing, initial state energy loss,
     Cropin effect and gluon saturation

Cronin effect and gluon saturation



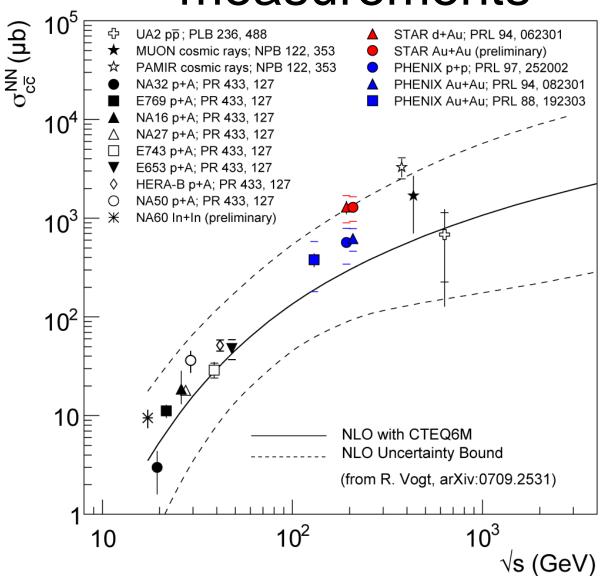


H. Satz, Nucl. Phys. A (783):249-260(2007)

 $T \cong 3 T_{c}$ 

- Hot/dense medium effect
  - J/ψ, Υ dissociation, i.e. suppression
  - Recombination from uncorrelated charm pairs

# σ<sub>CC</sub>: comparison with other measurements



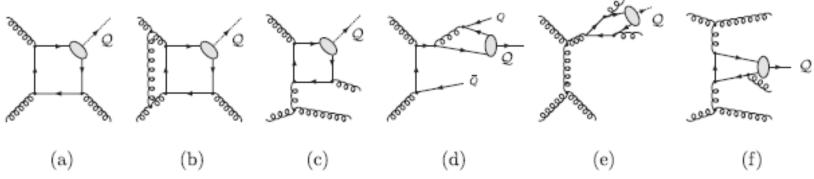
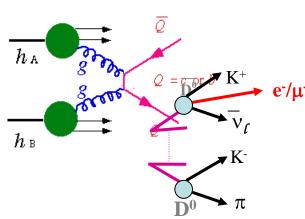
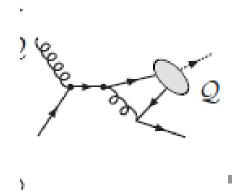
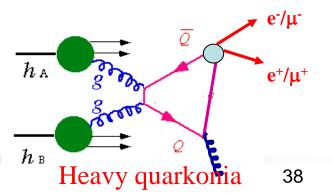


FIG. 1. Representative diagrams contributing to Y hadroproduction at orders  $\alpha_S^3$  (a),  $\alpha_S^4$  (b,c,d),  $\alpha_S^5$  (e,f). See discussions in the text.



Open heavy flavor



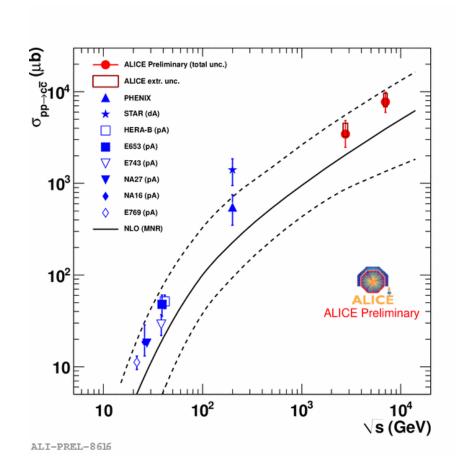


## What can we learn at the LHC

- Higher c and b cross sections:
  - More abundant heavy flavour production
  - Better precision (reduced errors)

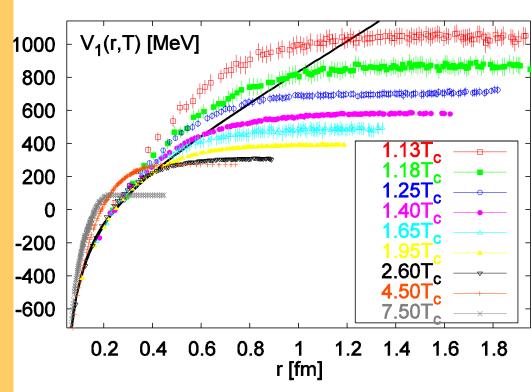
$$\sigma_{\mathit{LHC}}^{c\bar{c}} pprox 10 \cdot \sigma_{\mathit{RHIC}}^{c\bar{c}}$$
 $\sigma_{\mathit{LHC}}^{b\bar{b}} pprox 100 \cdot \frac{b\bar{b}}{\mathit{RHIC}}$ 

- High precision vertex detectors
  - Background removal
  - Separate c and b



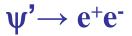
# High T: the potential between the quarks is modified.

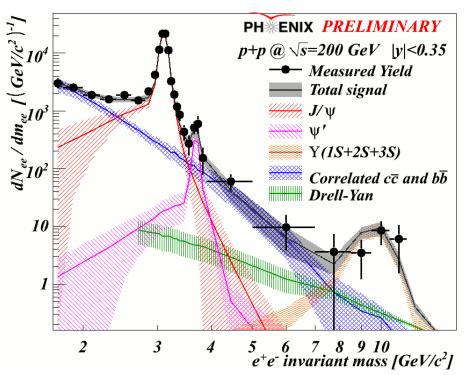
- Charmonium suppression: longstanding QGP signature
  - Original idea: High T leads to Debye screening
  - Screening prevents heavy quark bound states from forming!
  - J/ψ suppression:
    - Matsui and Satz, Phys. Lett. B 178 (1986) 416
  - lattice calculations confirm screening effects
    - Nucl.Phys.Proc.Suppl.129: 560-562,2004



O. Kaczmarek, et al., Nucl.Phys.Proc.Suppl.129:560-562,2004

## Better Knowledge about the Baseline

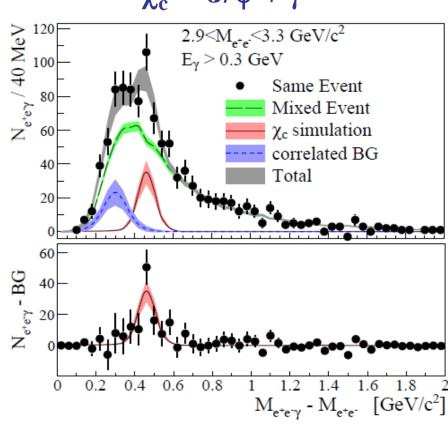




$$F_{\Psi'}^{J/\Psi} = \frac{B_{J/\Psi}^{\Psi'} \sigma_{\Psi'}}{\sigma_{J/\Psi}} = (9.6 \pm 2.4)\%$$

Consistent with world average!!!





$$F_{\chi_c}^{J/\Psi} = \frac{N_{\chi_c}}{N_{J/\Psi}} \frac{1}{\langle \varepsilon_{\chi_c} / \varepsilon_{J/\Psi} \rangle} = (32 \pm 9)\%$$

## Non-photonic R<sub>AA</sub> at RHIC

#### **DGLV:**

Djordjevic, PLB632, 81 (2006)

#### **BDMPS**:

Armesto, et al., PLB 637, 362 (2006)

#### **T-Matrix**:

Van Hees et al., PRL100,192301(2008).

#### Coll. Dissoc.

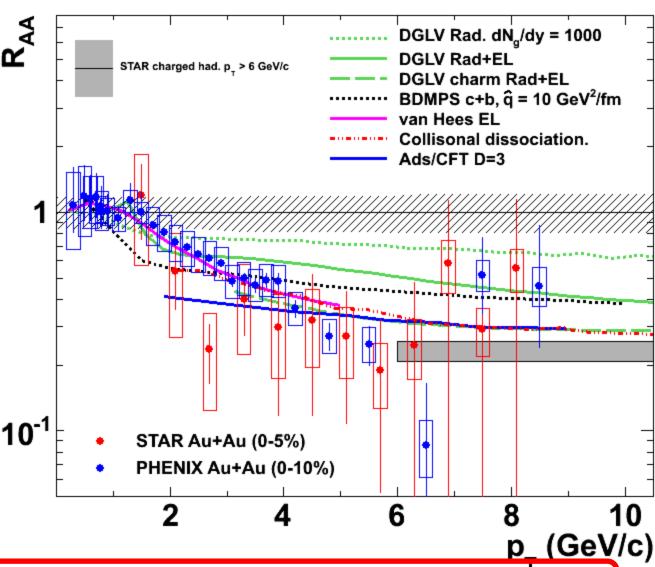
R. Sharma et al., PRC 80, 054902(2009).

#### Ads/CFT:

W. Horowitz Ph.D thesis.

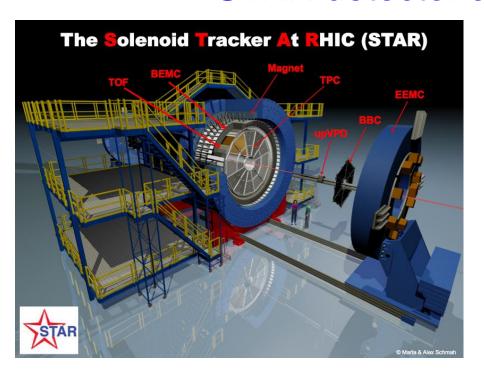
#### RL+ Coll.

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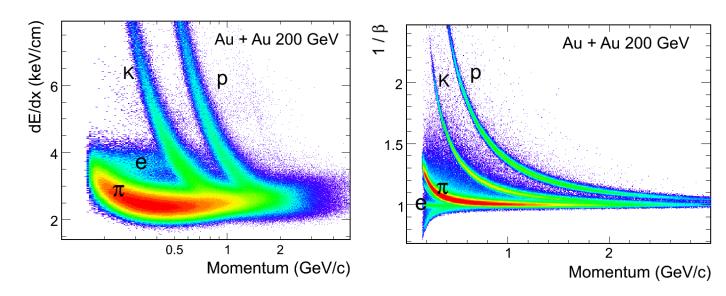
- ☐ Models with different or similar mechanisms can or can not describe the data
  - Which one is right and what are missing?

### STAR detector and Particle ID

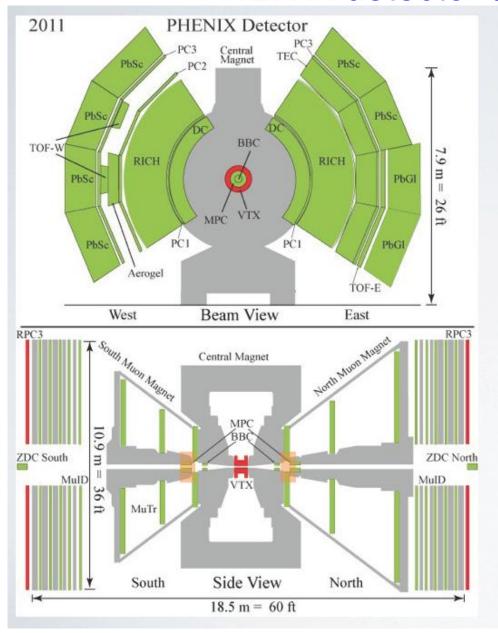


Large acceptance |η|<1, 0<φ<2π

- Time Projection Chamber dE/dx, momentum
- Time Of Flight detector particle velocity 1/β
- ElectroMagnetical Calorimeter
  E/p, single tower/topological Trigger



### PHENIX detector and Particle ID



Central Arms | η | < 0.35

Identified charged hadrons

e<sup>±</sup>, π<sup>0</sup>, η

Direct Photon

J/Ψ, Ψ',Χ<sub>c</sub>

Heavy Flavor

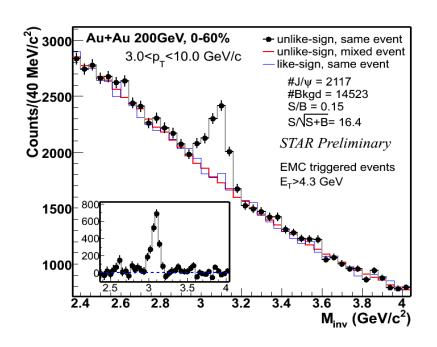
Muon Arms 1.2 < | η | < 2.4

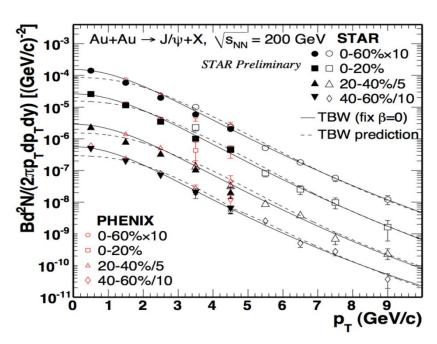
- J/Ψ, Υ
- Unidentified charged hadrons
- Heavy Flavor

MPC 3.1 < 
$$|\eta|$$
 < 3.9  $\pi^0$ ,  $\eta$ 

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## STAR J/ψ spectra in Au+Au 200GeV

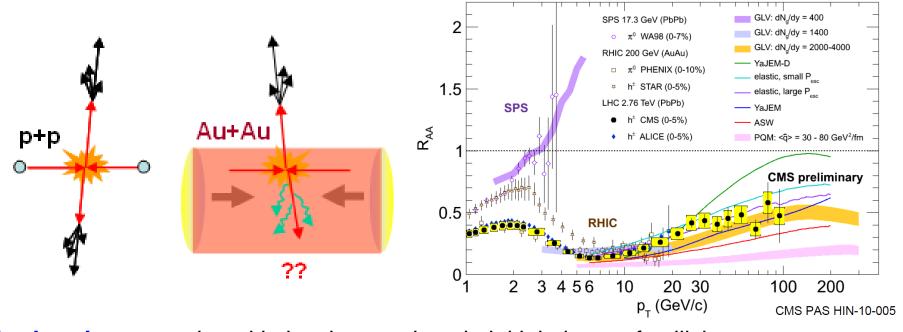




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Consistent with other RHIC measurements. Moreover we extend pT region up to 10GeV/c.

## **Nuclear modification factor**



- Hard probes produced in hard scatterings in initial phase of collision
- Nuclear matter influences the final particle production

   e.g. production of particles at given p<sub>T</sub>
   supresion of particle production of particular type
- Nuclear modification factor quantification of nuclear effects R<sub>AA</sub>

$$R_{AA}(p_T) = \frac{\text{Yield}_{AA}(p_T)}{\langle Nbin \rangle_{AA} \text{Yield}_{pp}(p_T)}$$

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## Cold nuclear matter effects

- Nuclear Shadowing Modification of PDF's for nucleons bound in nuclei.
  - Parametrizations of (mostly) DIS data (ex. EKS98, nDSg, EPS09).
- Nuclear Break-up Break-up of cc pair through collisions with nucleons.
  - Usually parametrized using break-up cross section.
- Cronin Effect Broadening of the pT distribution through scattering of incoming partons.
- Initial State Energy Loss decrease in parton momentum due to soft scatterings while propagating through colliding nucleus.

## Cold nuclear matter effects

