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## **Measurement of Bottom contribution to the non-photonic electron production in p+p collisions at $\sqrt{s}=500$ GeV at STAR**

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Measurements of non-photonic electron (NPE) production at RHIC show similar suppression as light hadrons at high  $p_T$  in central Au+Au collisions with respect to scaled p+p collisions. However, the interpretation is complicated by the combined contributions from charm and bottom decays. It is important to separate out the bottom contribution for a better understanding of heavy flavor production and energy loss mechanism in ultra-relativistic heavy ion collisions. Azimuthal correlations between non-photonic electrons and charged hadrons have been shown to be a powerful tool to disentangle charm and bottom contributions in p+p collisions.

We will report the preliminary results of the azimuthal correlations between non-photonic electrons and charged hadrons at mid-rapidity for  $2.5 < p_T(\text{NPE}) < 12.5$  GeV/c in p+p collisions at  $\sqrt{s}=500$  GeV. The correlation distributions are fitted with PYTHIA templates to extract the relative contribution of bottom decays to non-photonic electrons. These results are compared with pQCD theoretical calculations, and the results from p+p collisions at  $\sqrt{s}=200$  GeV. They may provide a precise p+p reference to study bottom production in heavy-ion collisions at RHIC.

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