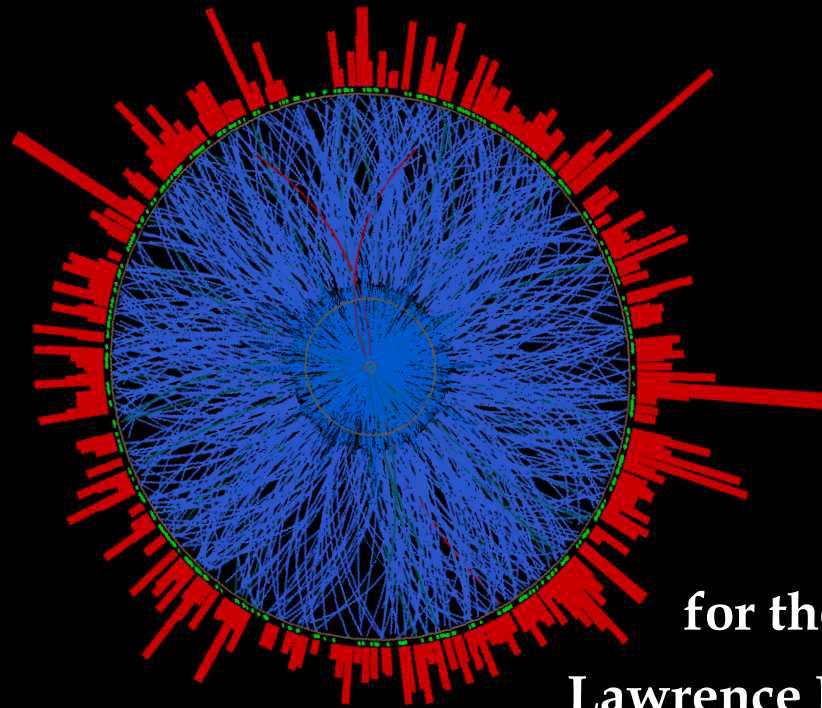




# Highlights from STAR



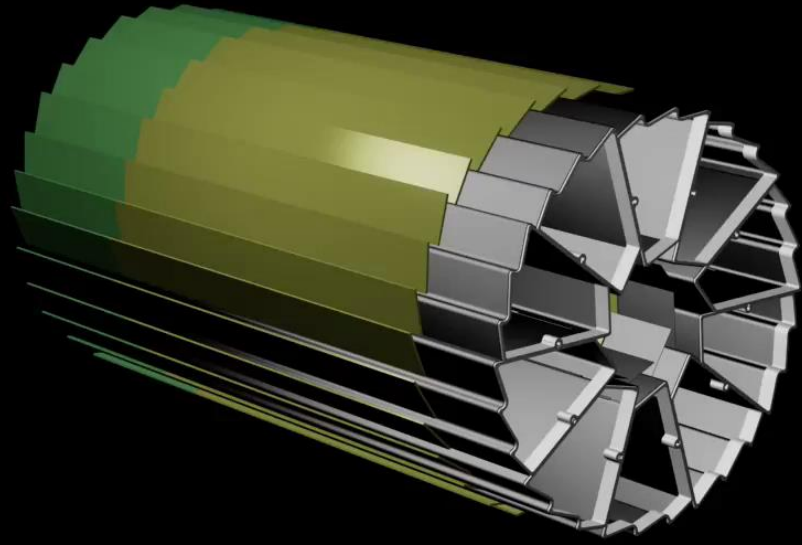
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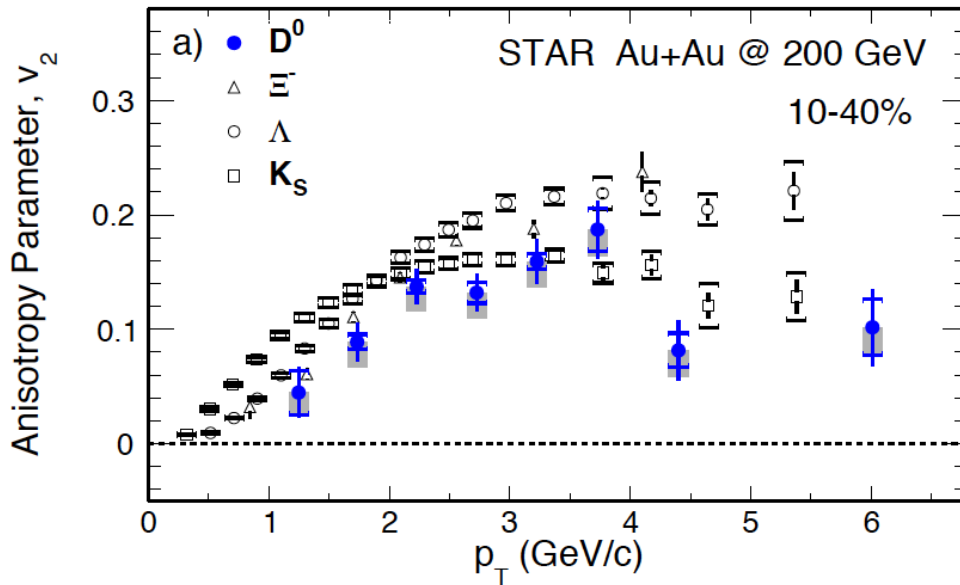


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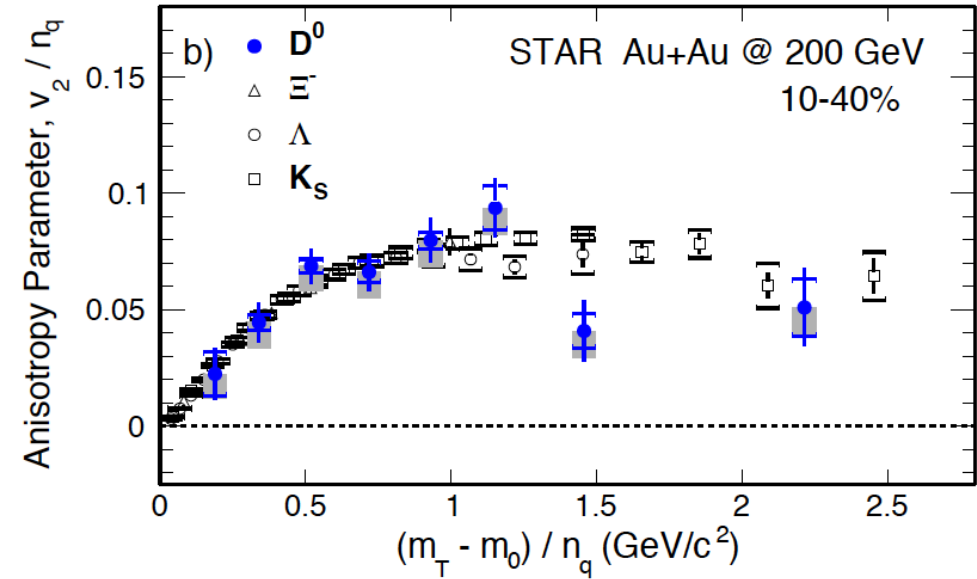
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## Mass ordering



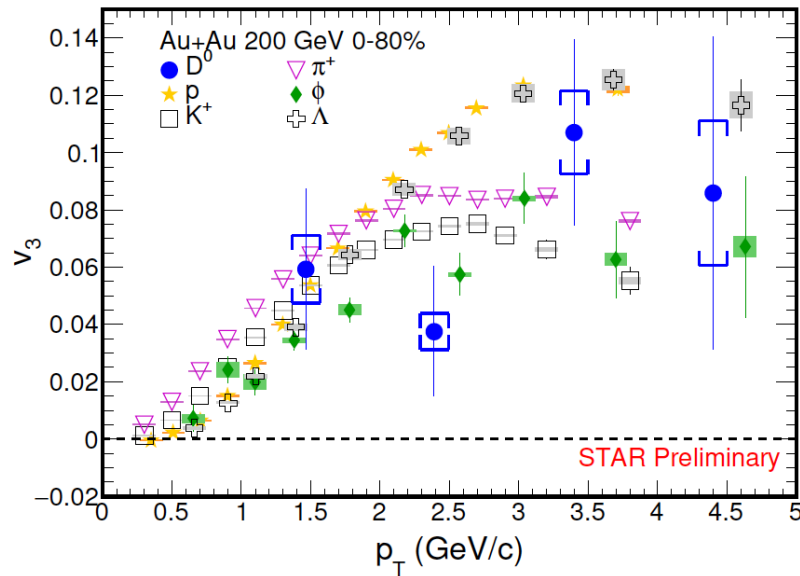
## NCQ scaling



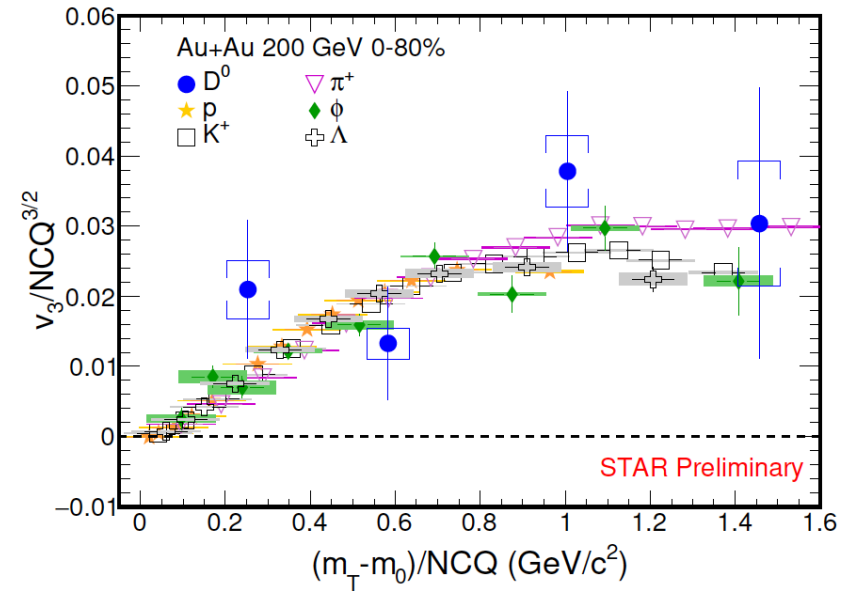
- $D^0$   $v_2$  for 10-40% follows mass ordering and NCQ scaling of other hadrons  
 → Evidence for thermalization of charmed mesons

Submitted  
 arXiv:1701.06060

## Mass ordering



## NCQ scaling

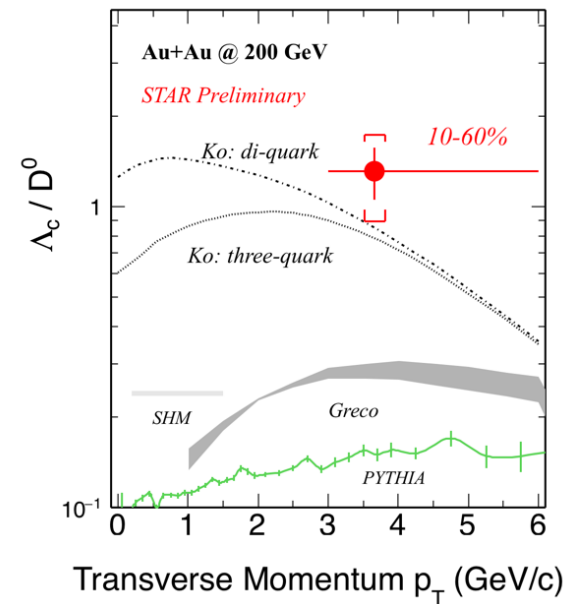
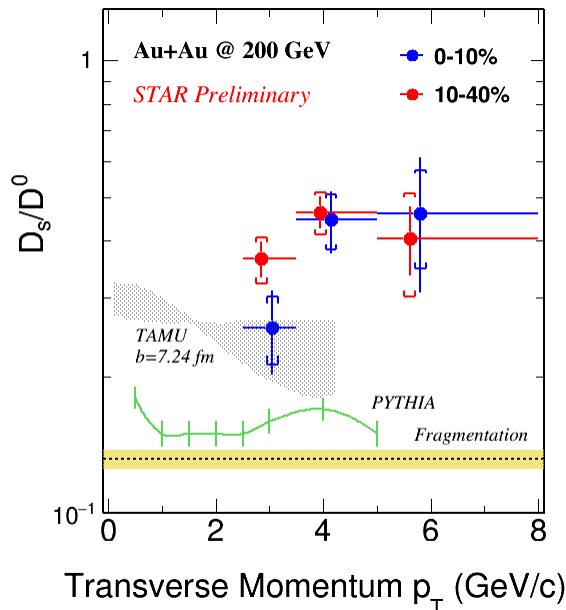
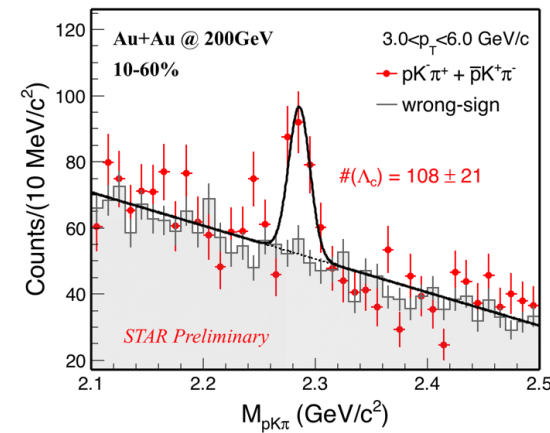
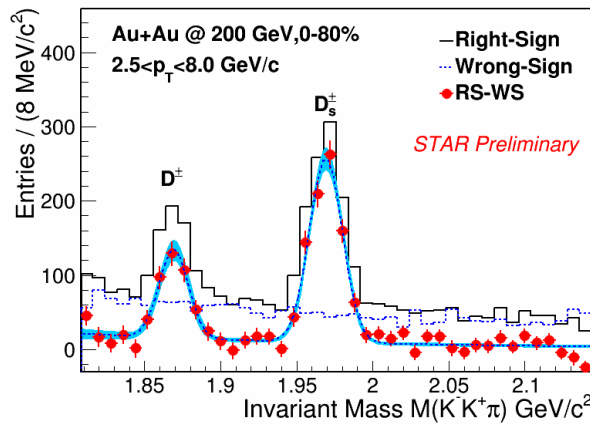


- First  $D^0$   $v_3$  measurement
  - non-zero at RHIC
  - NCQ scales with other hadrons

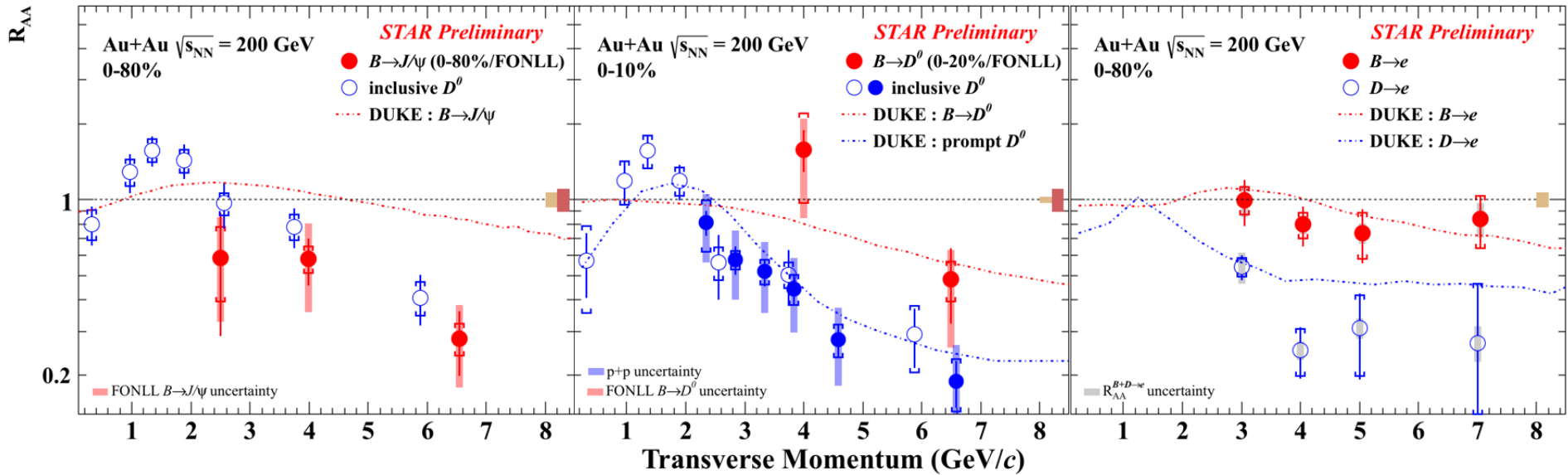
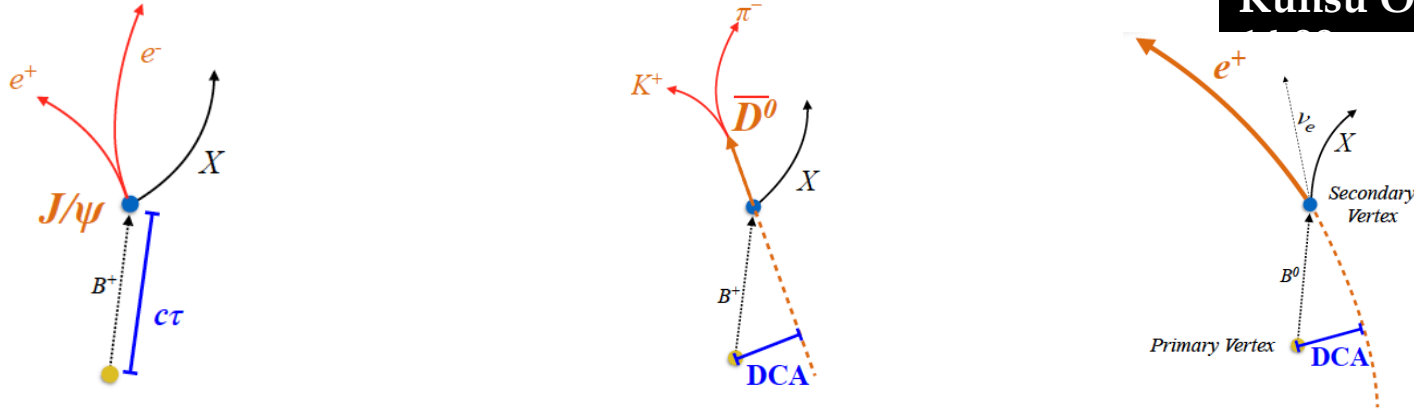


# D-Meson and $\Lambda_c$ Production

Long Zhou,  
Tue 17:30

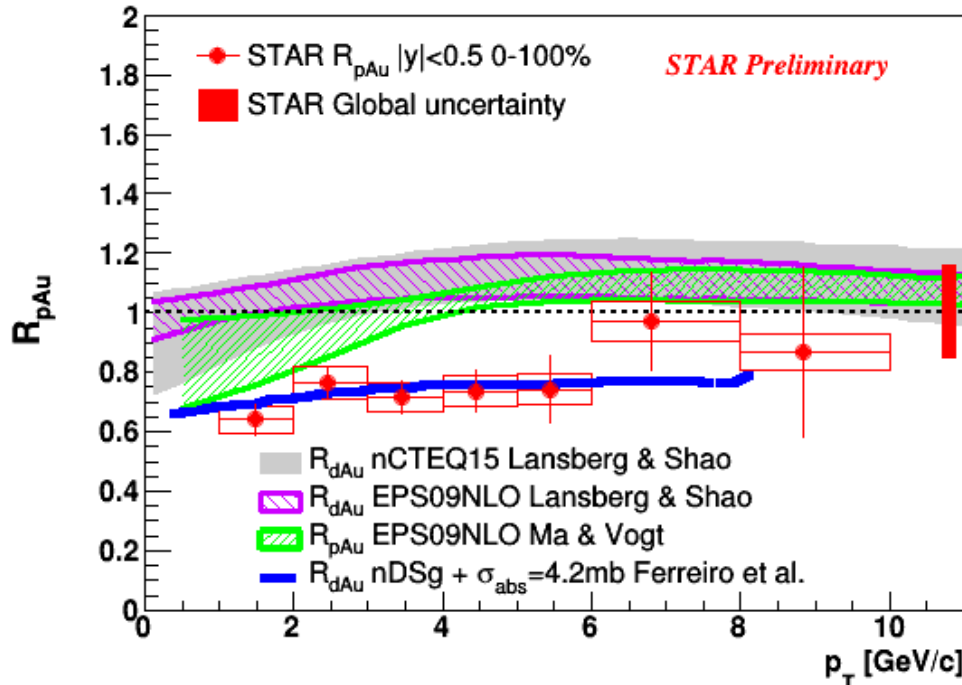


- **First  $\Lambda_c$  reconstruction in A+A collisions**
- Strong enhancement observed over PYTHIA  
→ consistent with coalescence model and thermalized charm quarks

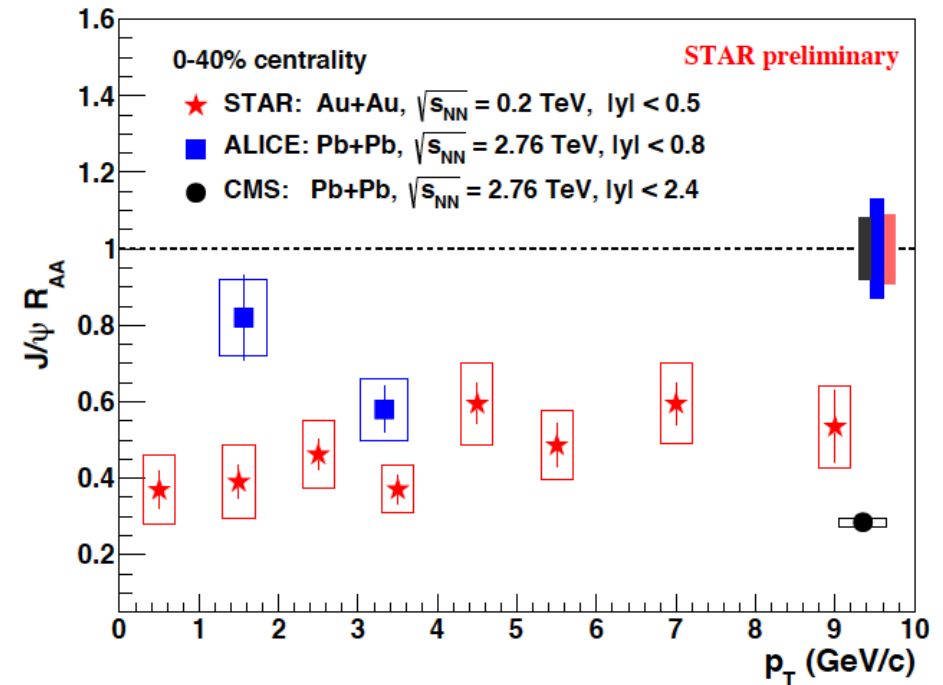


- Three ways of measuring B production
- Suppression observed for all three channels at high  $p_T$
- $B \rightarrow e$  is less suppressed than  $D \rightarrow e$  ( $2 \sigma$  effect)

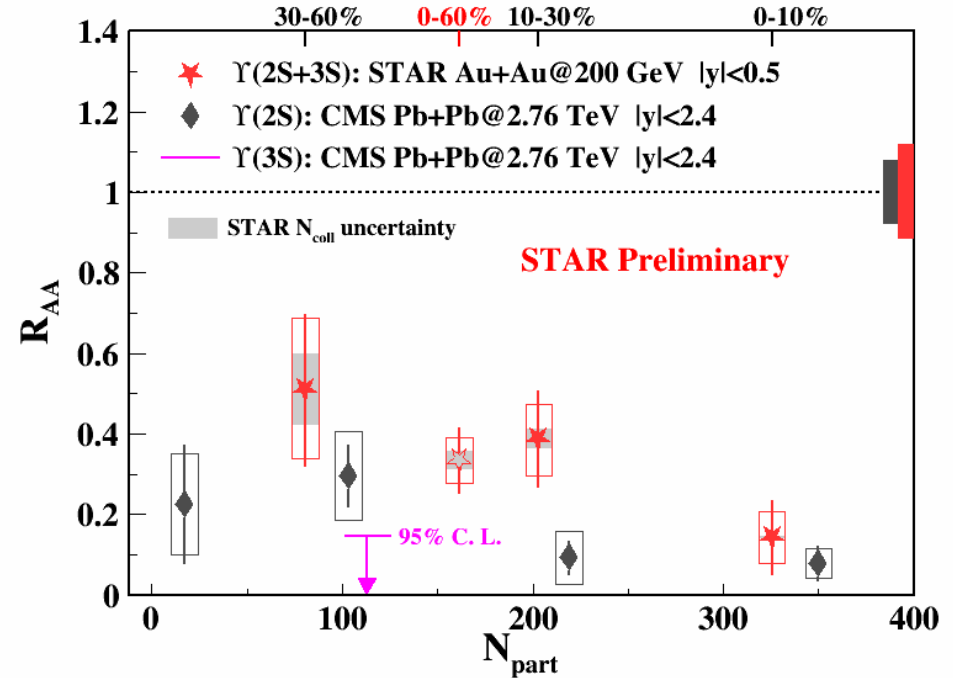
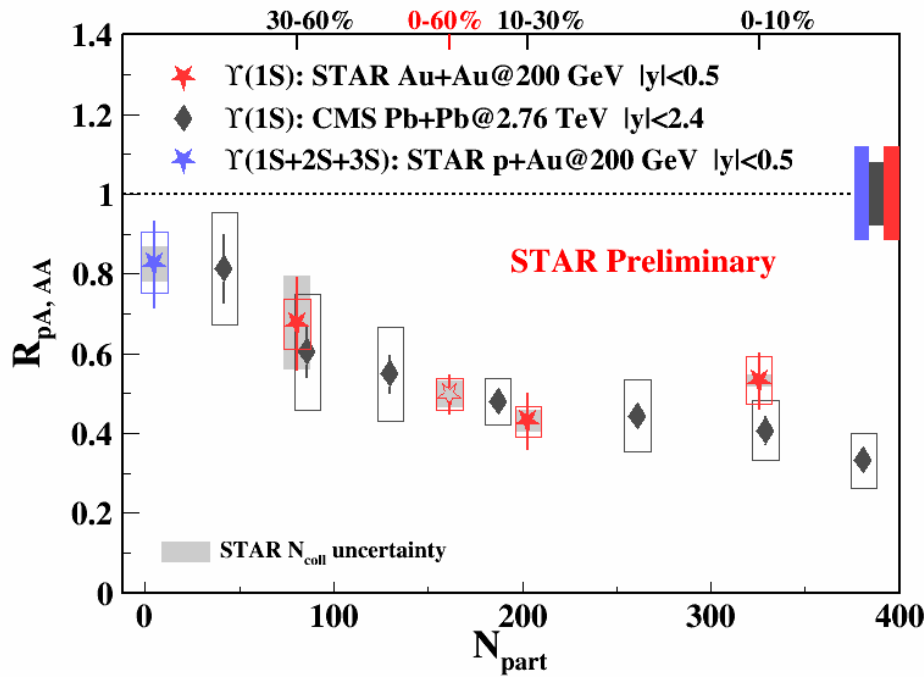
p+Au



Au+Au



- Models with shadowing effects are close to p+Au data, but data favor additional nuclear absorption effects
- $J/\psi$  in A+A more suppressed at low  $p_T$  compared to LHC  
→ smaller regeneration due to lower charm cross section
- Less suppressed at high  $p_T$  compared to LHC  
→ less dissociation due to lower medium temperature



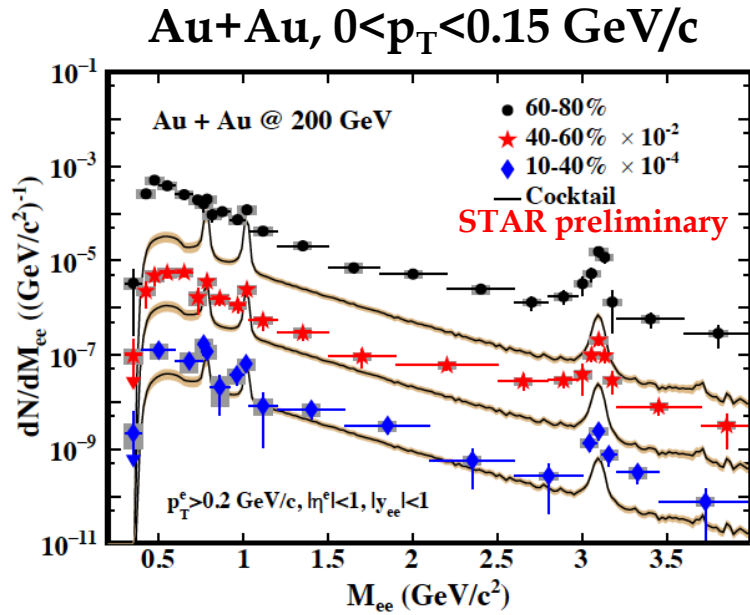
- Indication for more suppression towards more central collisions
- In central collisions  $Y(2S+3S)$  is more suppressed than  $Y(1S)$   
 → sequential melting
- Indication for less suppression than at LHC for  $Y(2S+3S)$



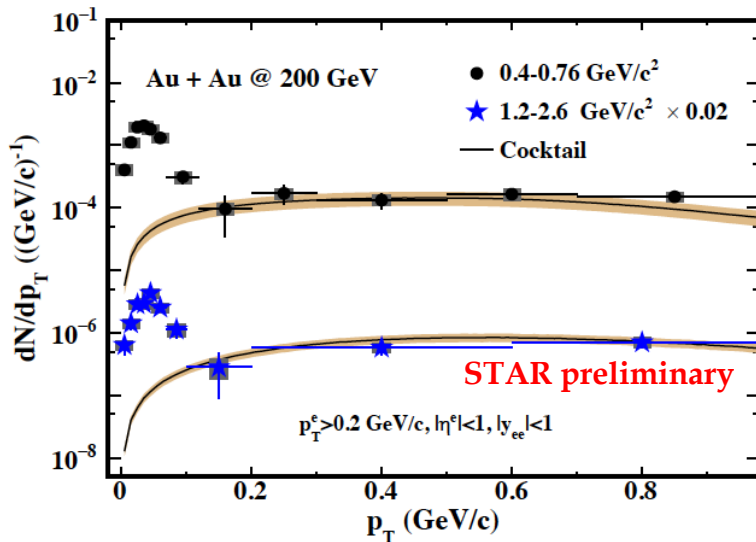


# Dilepton Production

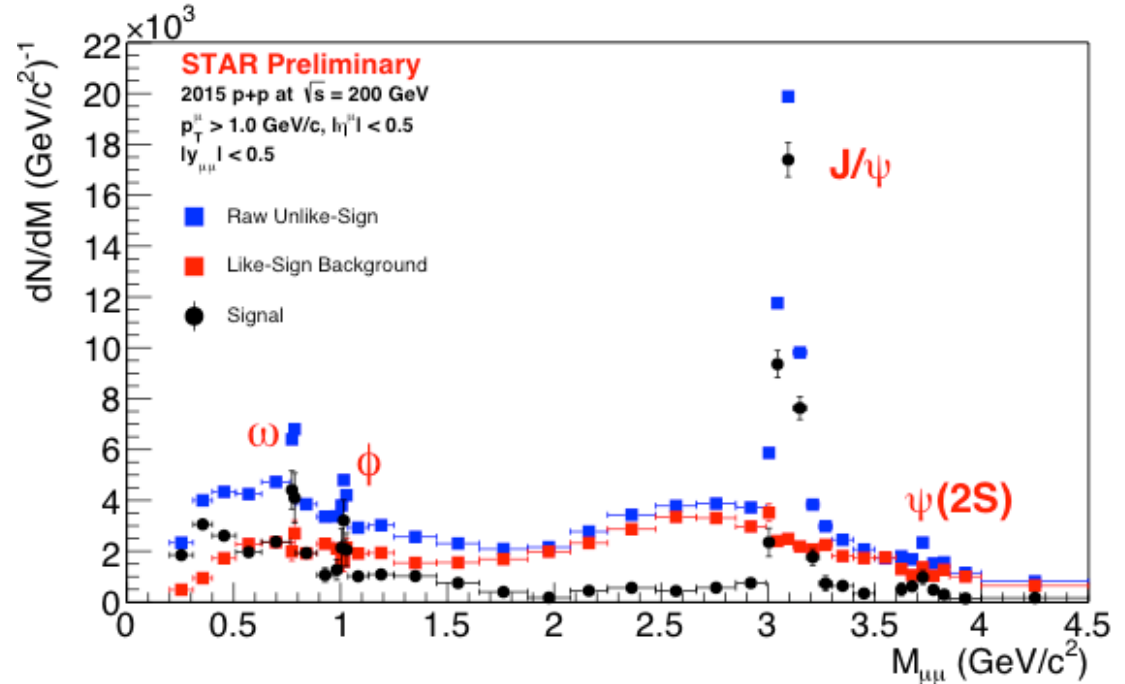
James Brandenburg,  
Tue 8:30



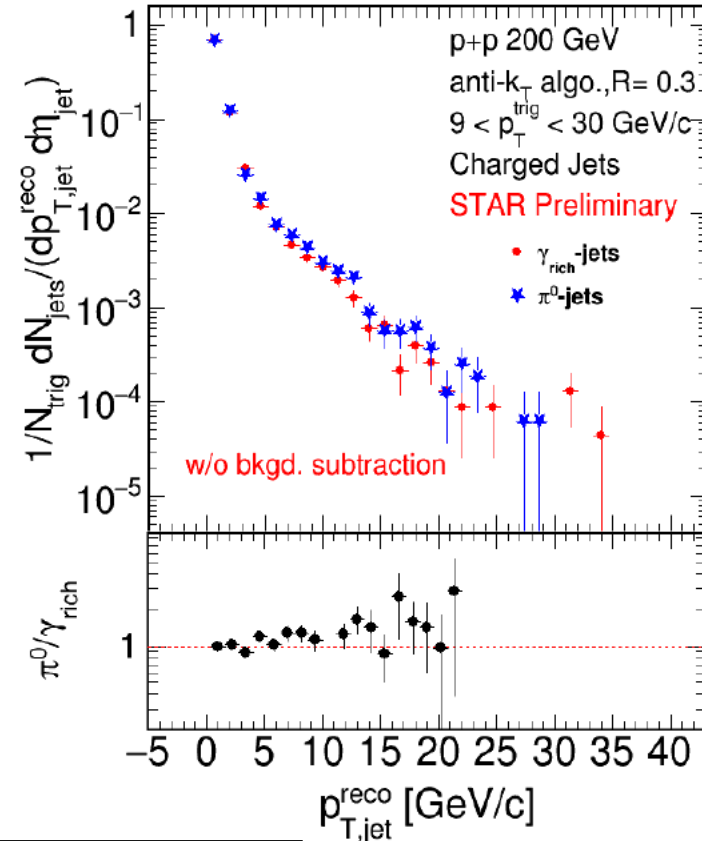
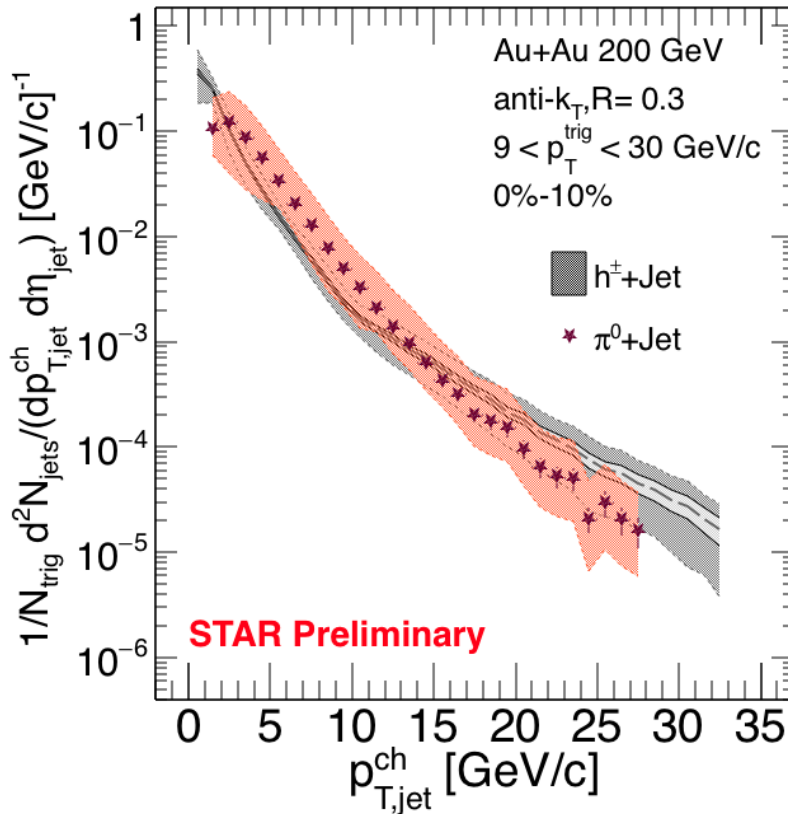
di-electron



p+p, dimuon



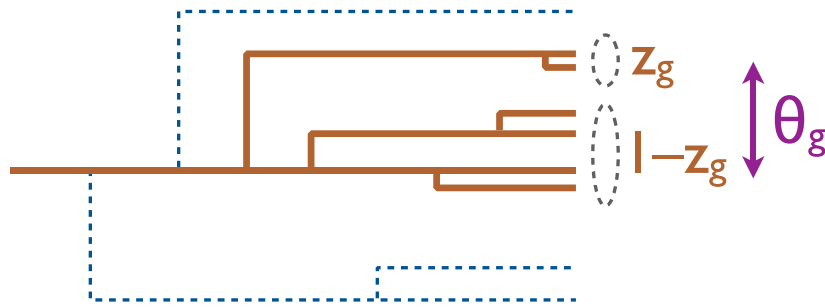
- In  $e^+e^-$ : large enhancement over cocktail in peripheral data at very low  $p_T$   
 → evidence for coherent photoproduction in the dielectron channel
- First look at  $\mu\mu$  spectrum in p+p and Au+Au



- $\pi^0$  and  $h^{+/-}$  triggered recoil jets are in agreement in central Au+Au
- Modest difference observed between  $\pi^0$  and  $\gamma$  triggers for p+p  
→ A+A measurement on the way

h-jet Submitted

arXiv:1702.01108



Based on declustering an angular-ordered tree

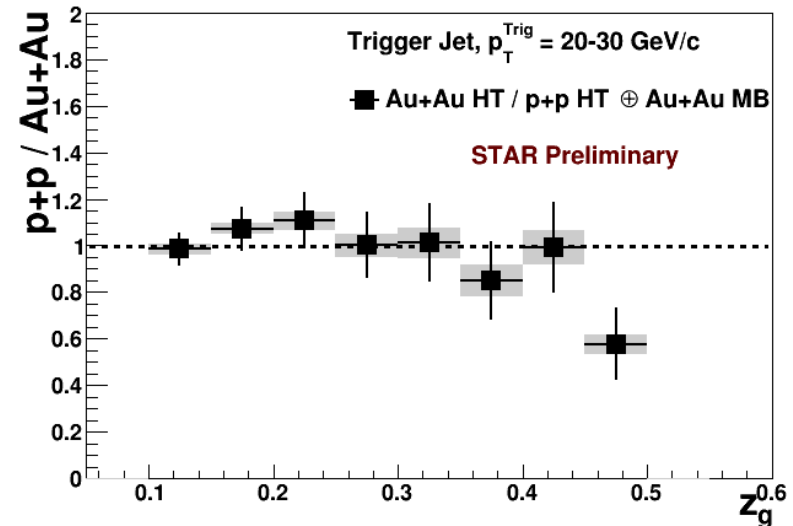
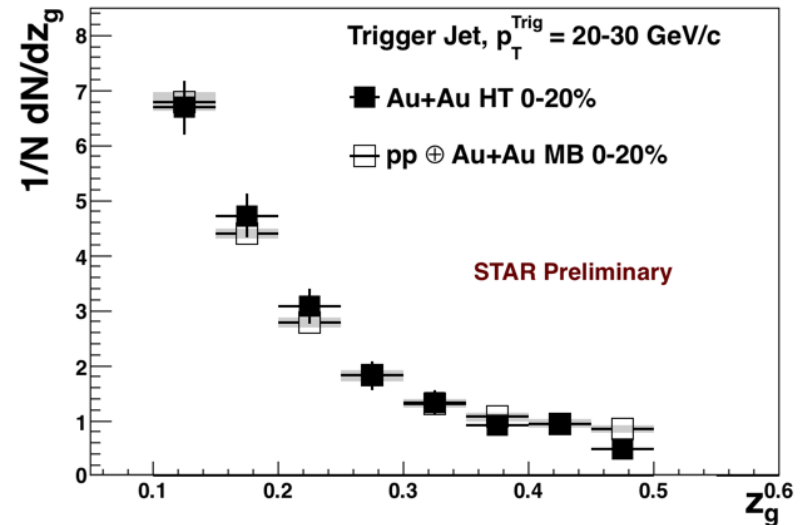
### Di-jet Selection:

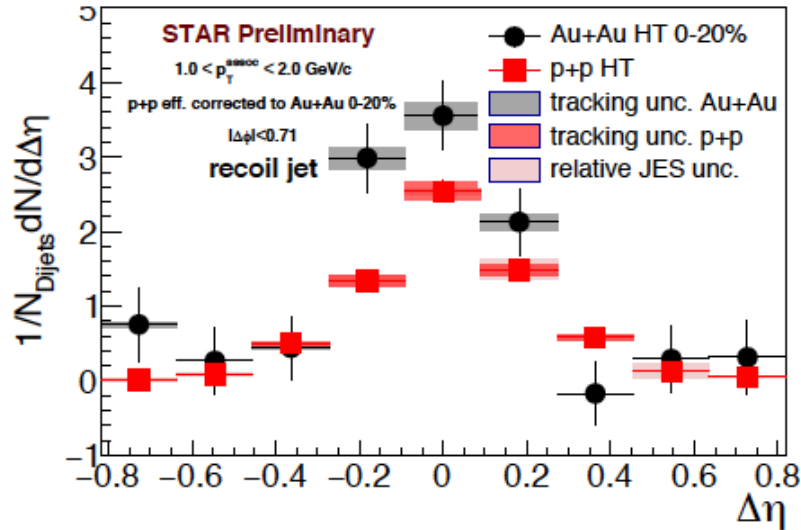
- Jet  $p_T^{\text{Trig}} > 20 \text{ GeV}/c$
- Jet  $p_T^{\text{Recoil}} > 10 \text{ GeV}/c$
- $|\Delta\Phi - \pi| < 0.4$

$p_T^{\text{Trig,Recoil}}$ : Calculated with  $p_{T,\text{cut}} > 2 \text{ GeV}/c$   
 $z_g$ : on matched jets with  $p_{T,\text{cut}} > 0.2 \text{ GeV}/c$

### Hard core di-jets:

- As measured with  $z_g$ :  
No significant splitting modification on near- or away-side
- Discussion with theory ongoing!

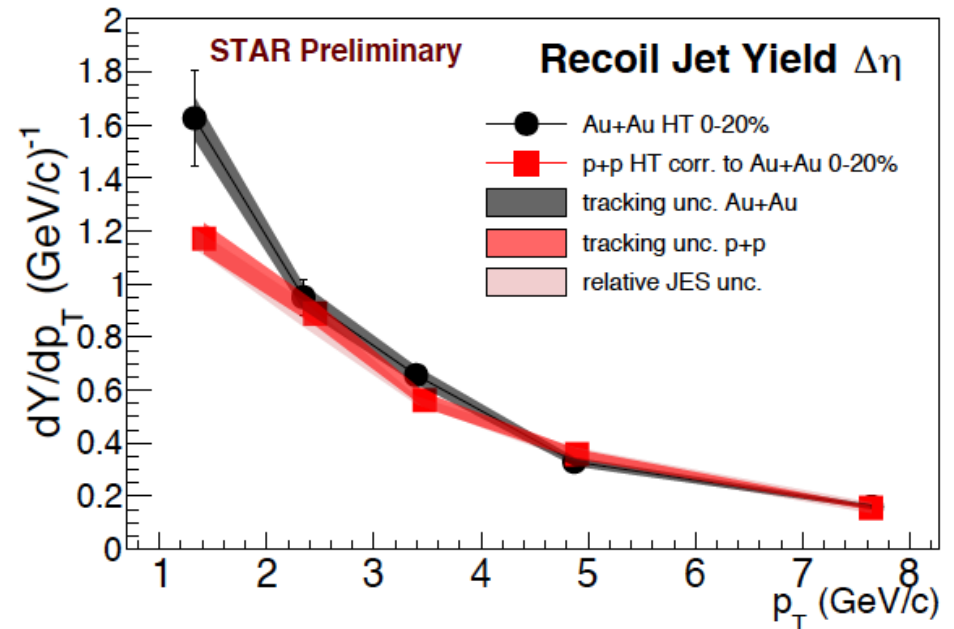
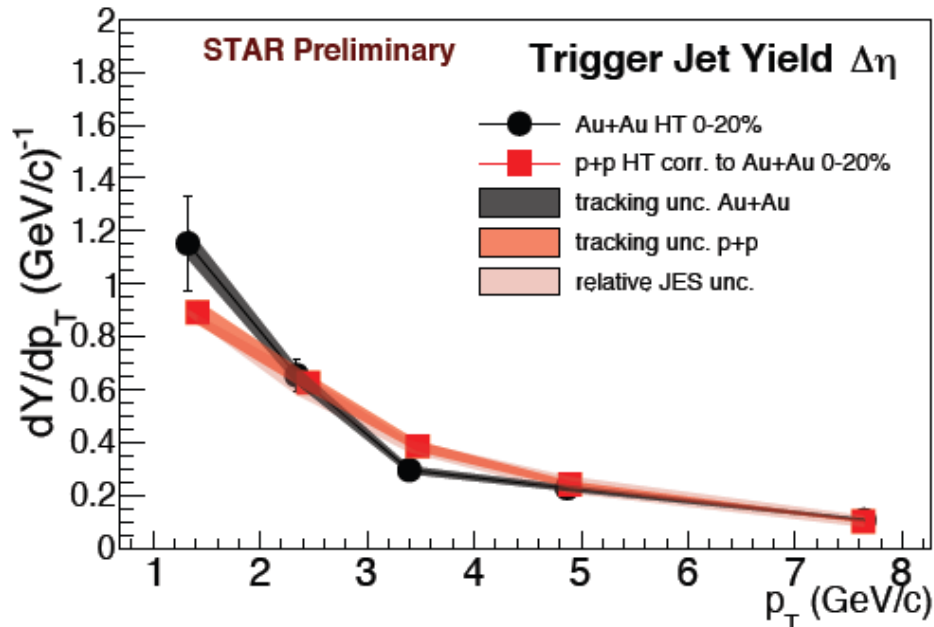




- Extension to  $A_j$  measurement
- No modification relative to p+p on the trigger side
- Hints of excess on the recoil side at low  $p_T$

$A_j$  Submitted

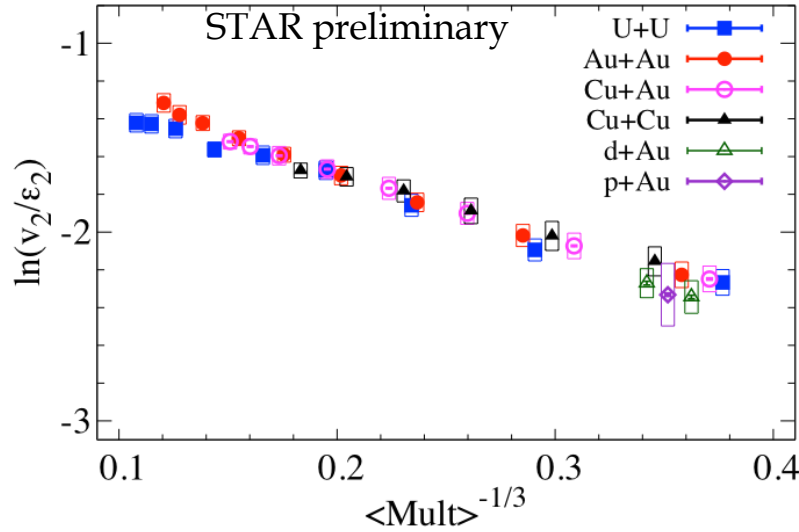
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# Flow and Three Particle Correlation Measurements

Niseem Magdy, poster 363



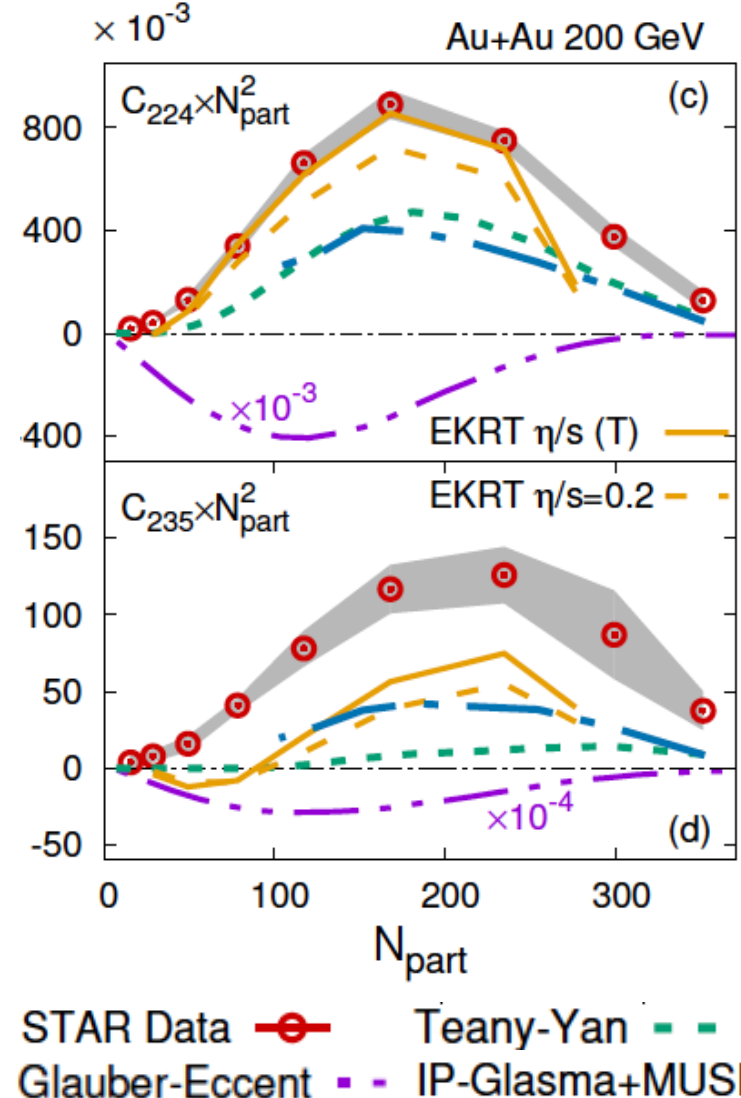
- Scaled  $v_2$  shows similar features for all systems  
→ same final state collective effects?
- $C_{m,n,m+n}$ : New way of constraining fluid-like properties and  $\eta/s(T)$   
→ 3D structure of initial state

Corr. Submitted

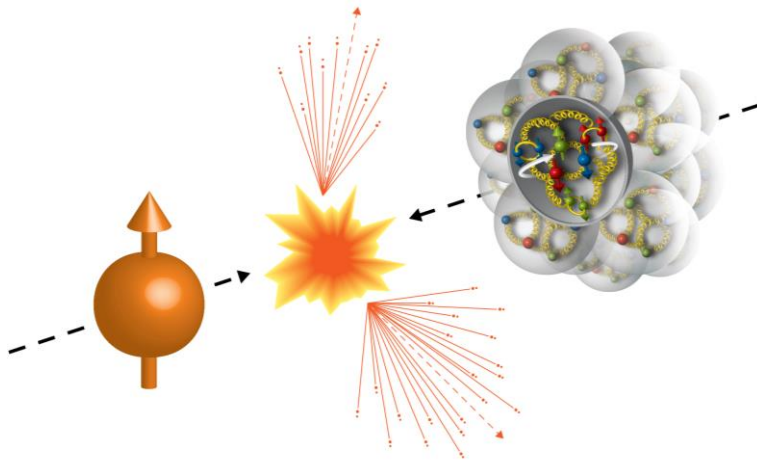
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$$C_{m,n,m+n} = \langle \langle \cos(m\phi_1 + n\phi_2 - (m+n)\phi_3) \rangle \rangle$$



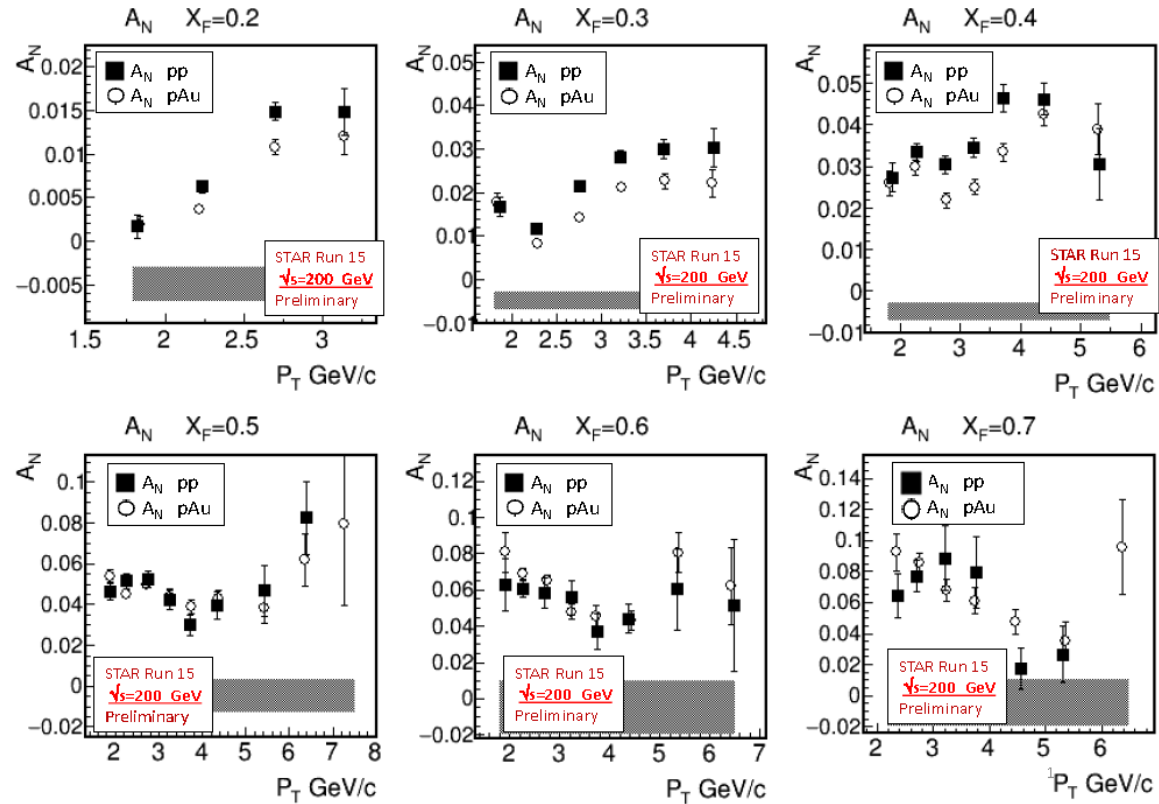
## $A_N$ : Single Spin Asymmetry in Forward $\pi^0$ (low $x$ ) in p+p and p+Au



Kang, PRD 84 (2011) 034019

Kovchegov, PRD 86 (2012) 034028

- Unique measurements of  $A_N$  in p+Au vs. p+p: small to no reduction is observed  
 → counter to initial expectations

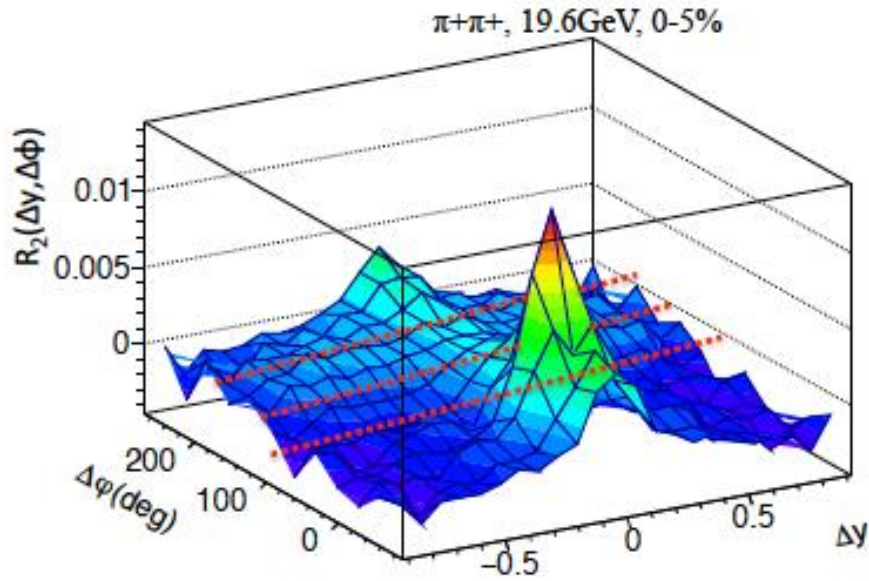


Shaded bands represent systematic uncertainty, dominated by dependence of  $A_N$  on observed BBC multiplicity → central vs. peripheral collisions

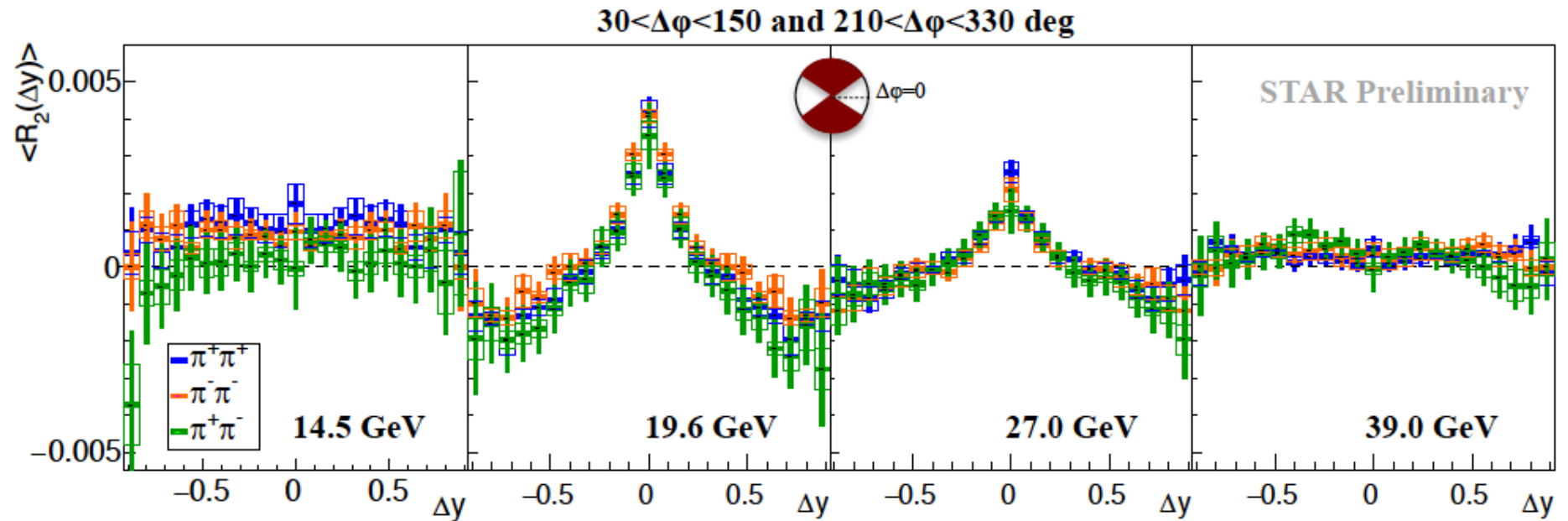


# Rapidity Correlations in BES

Sedigheh Jowzaee,  
Tue 17:30



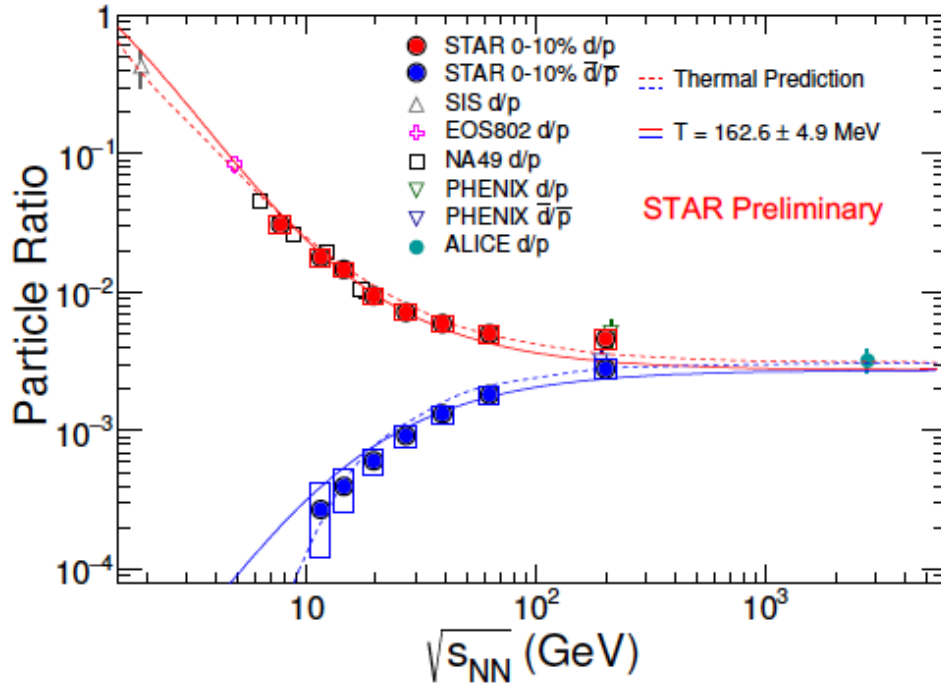
- Two-particle correlation of pion pairs
- Charge independent new ridge structure observed at around  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 19.6$  and 27 GeV  
→ no ridge at higher/lower energies



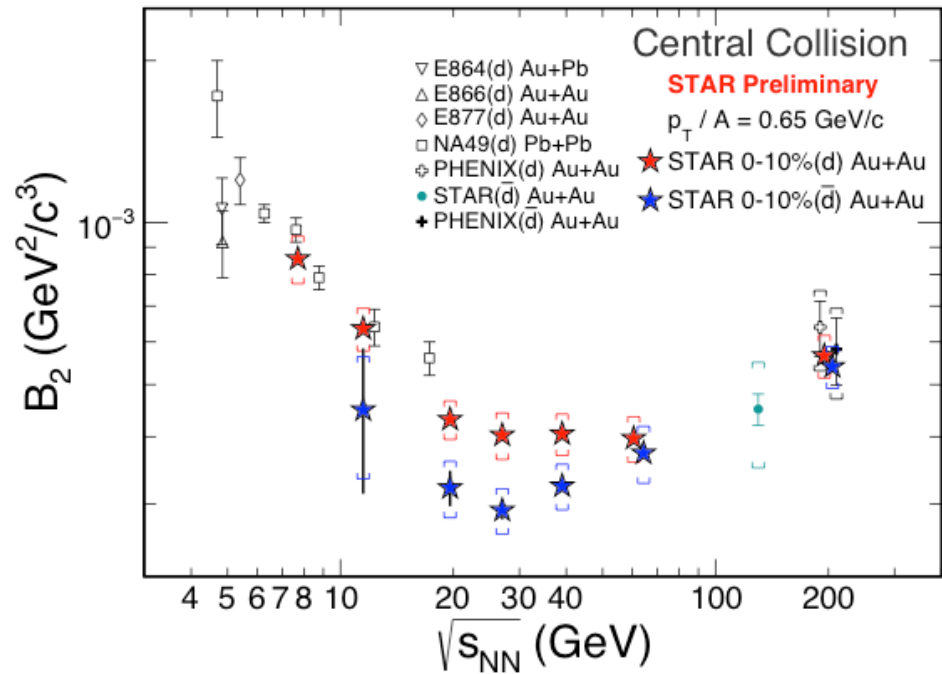


# Light nucleus production in BES

Ning Yu, Tue 17:10



- Thermal model can correctly describe the d/p ratio at all energies



- The coalescence parameter  $B_2$  is decreasing with energy and flattening out at about 20 GeV  $\rightarrow$  change in EOS?

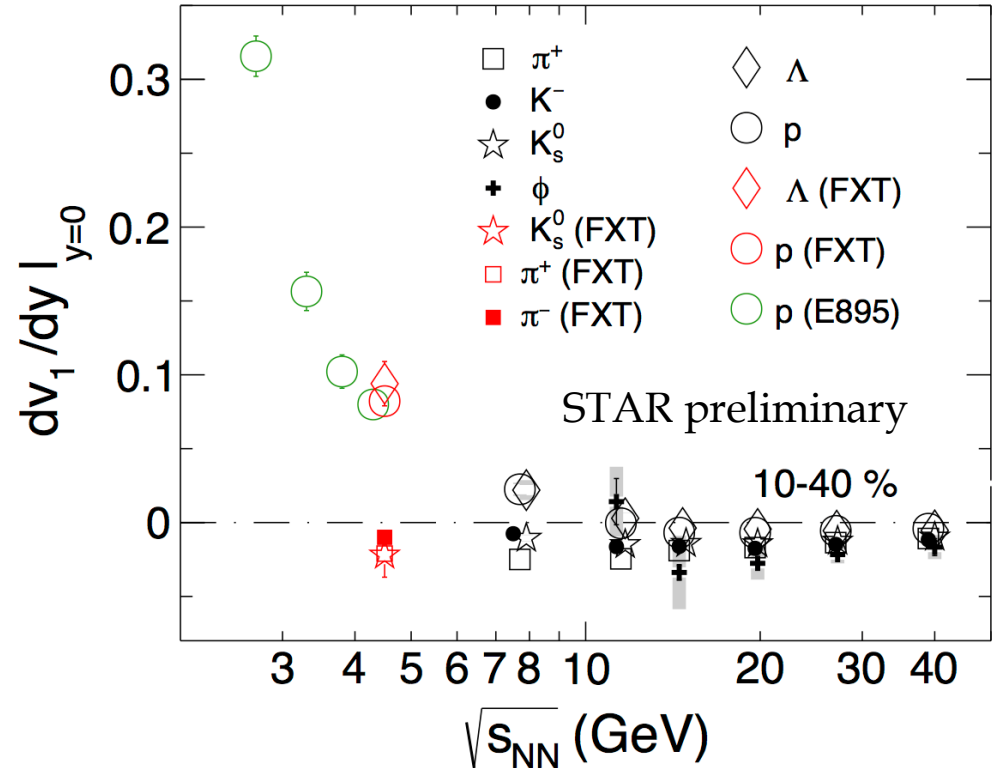
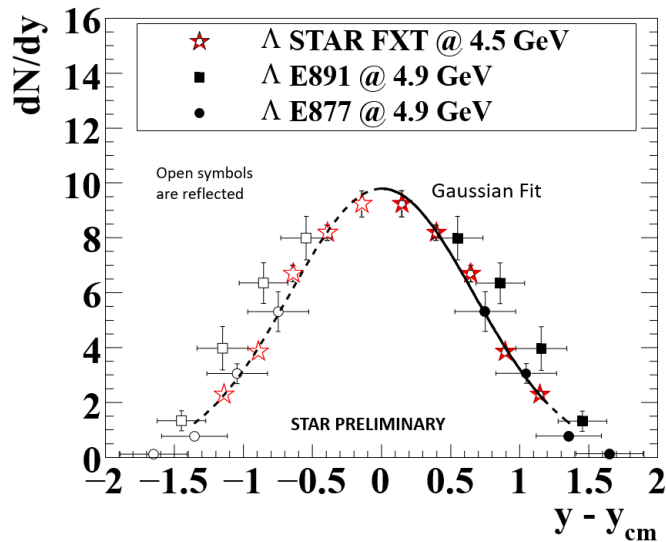
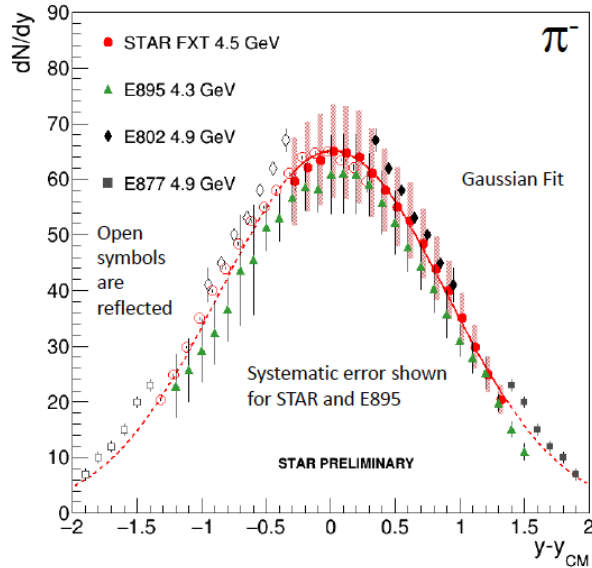
BES spectra  
 arXiv:1701.07065  
 Submitted





# Spectra and flow from Fixed Target

Kathryn Meehan, Wed 14:20



Dedicated fixed-target run in 2015:  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 4.5$  GeV

- 1 M events in 30 minutes!
- Excellent PID using  $dE/dx$  and ToF
- $dN/dy$  and  $v_1$  for charged particles and  $V^0$ s are in good agreement with published results



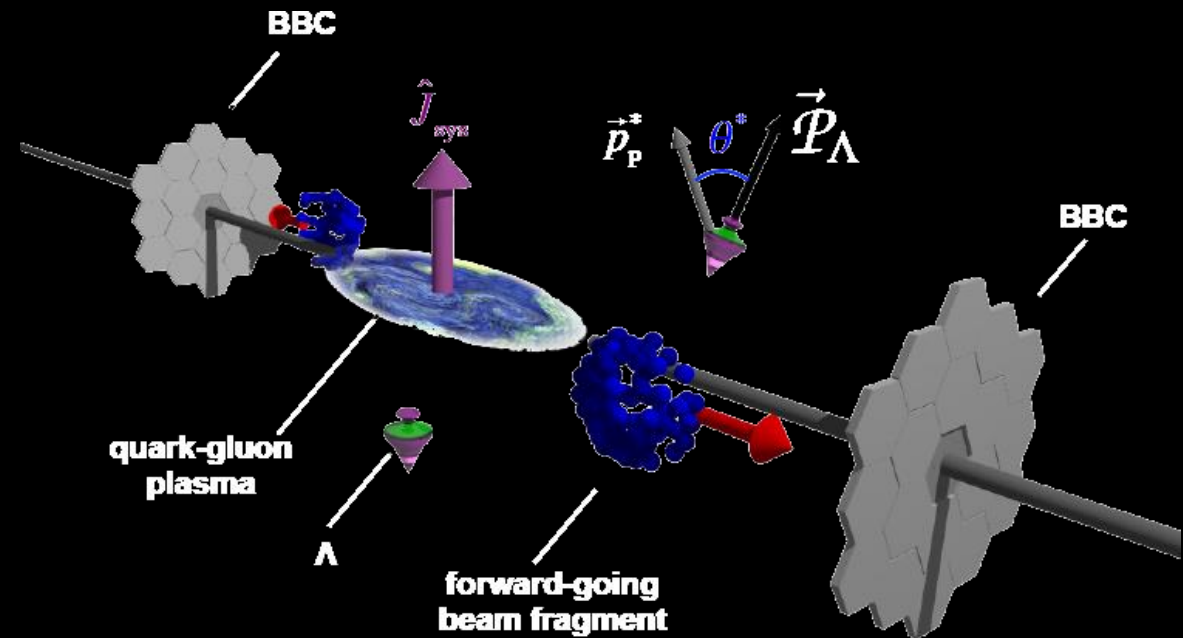
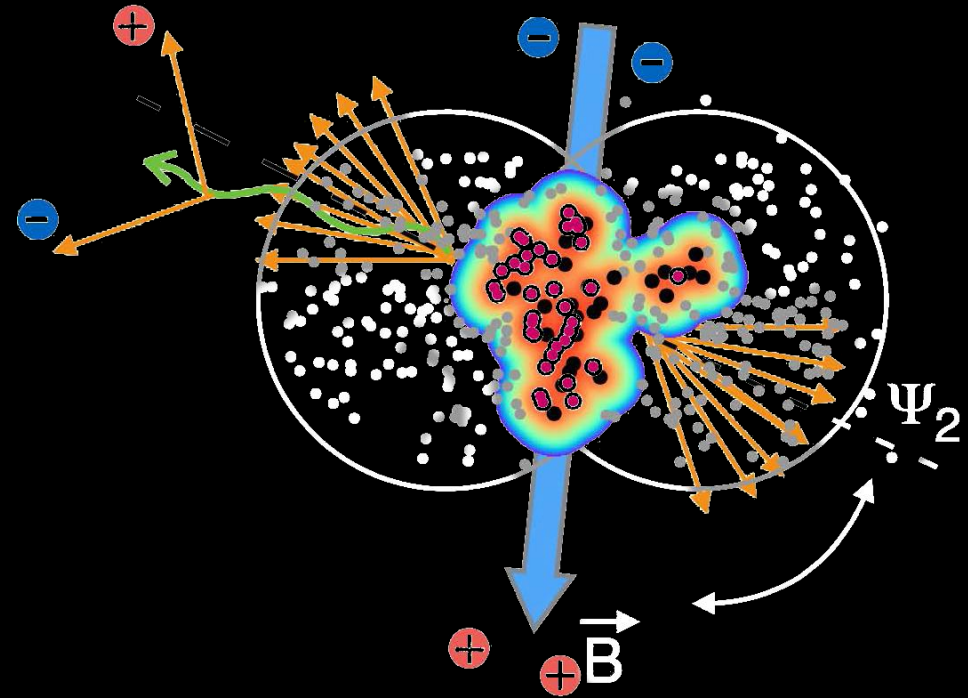
Non-central HI collision  
→ Initial angular momentum  
(vorticity) + B-field

Chiral Magnetic Effect (CME):

→ Separation of charges along  
B-field (spin-momentum  
alignment)

Vortical or spin-orbit coupling:

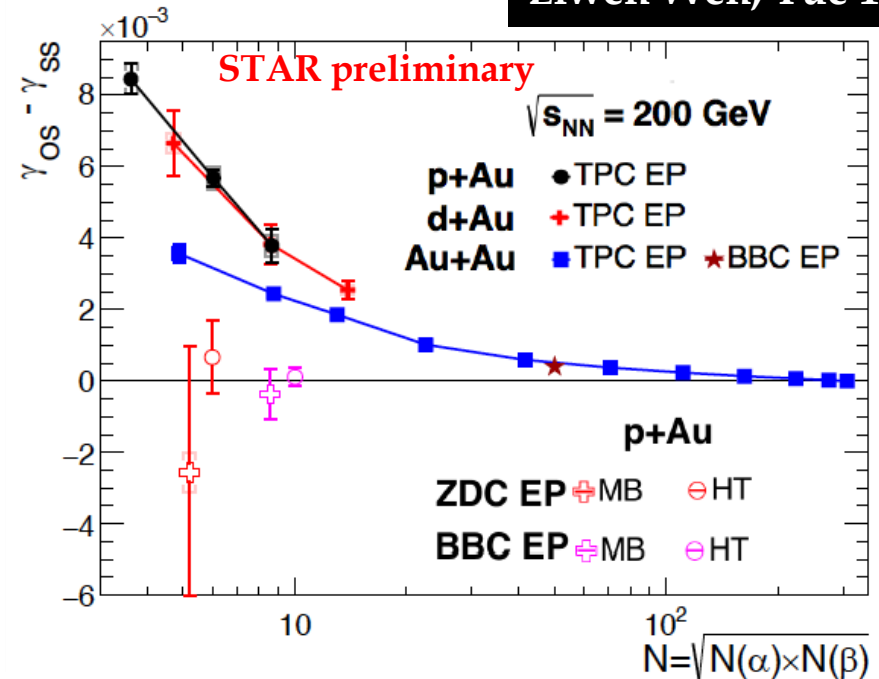
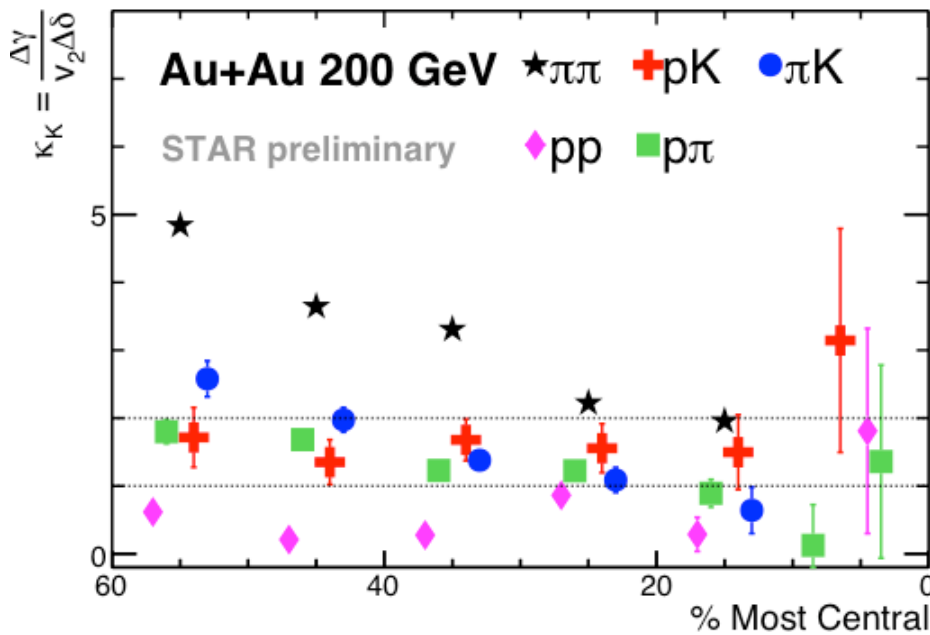
→ Spin alignment with global  
angular momentum





# Chiral Magnetic Effect

Liwen Wen, Tue 16:30



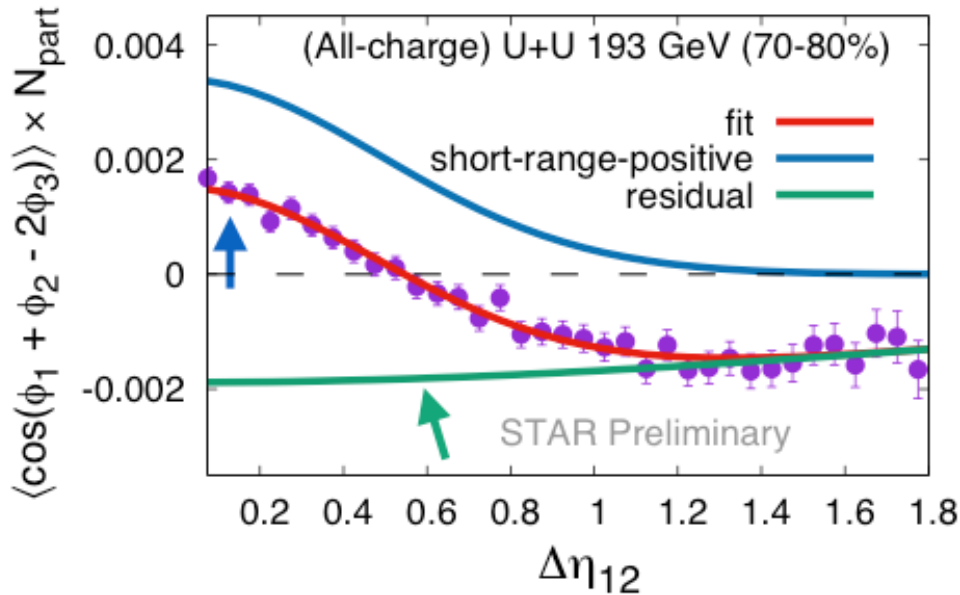
Time Projection Chamber:  $|\eta| < 1$   
Beam-Beam Counter:  $3.8 < |\eta| < 5.2$   
Zero Degree Calorimeter:  $6 < |\eta|$

- Large charge separation signal in p+Au compared to Au+Au
- p+Au signal disappears for EP with large  $\eta$  gap
- $\kappa_K$ : an estimator of signal excess over background, background level assumed to be around 1-2 in ideal cases
- $\pi\pi$  charge separation signal similar to hh, other PID combinations show smaller effects

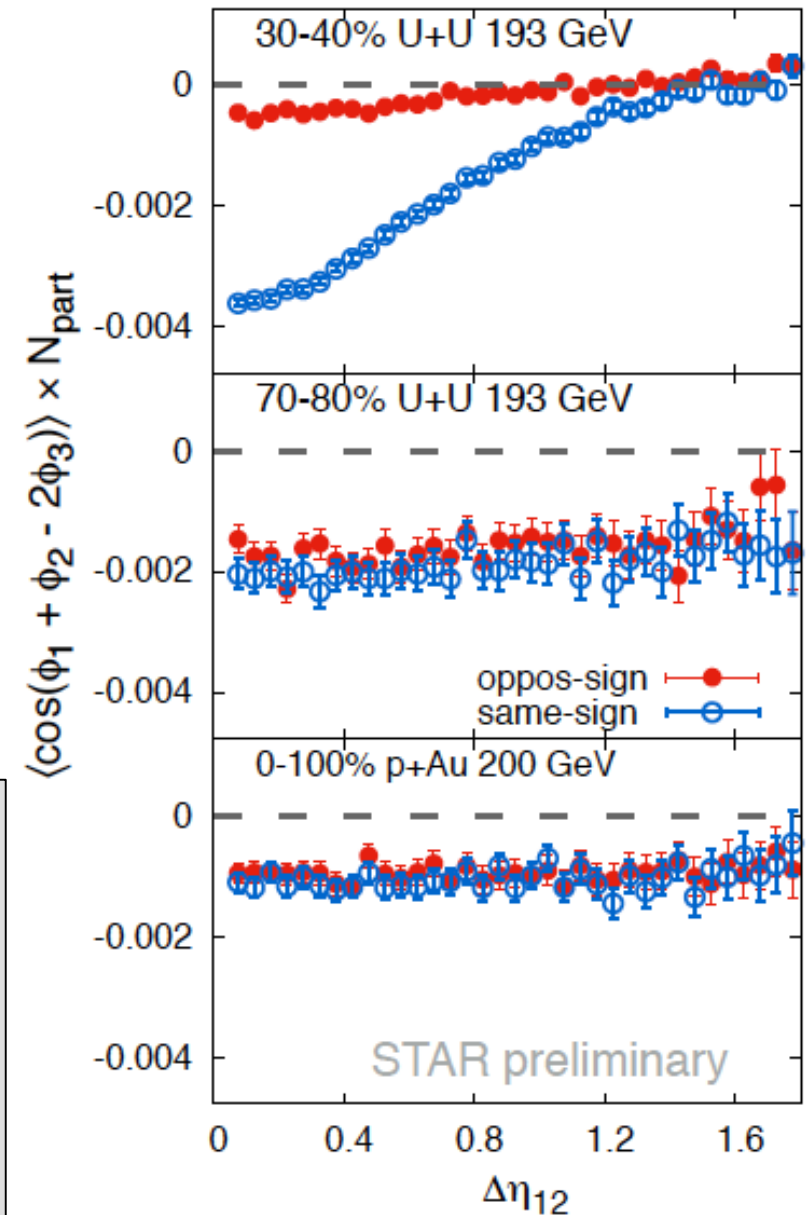


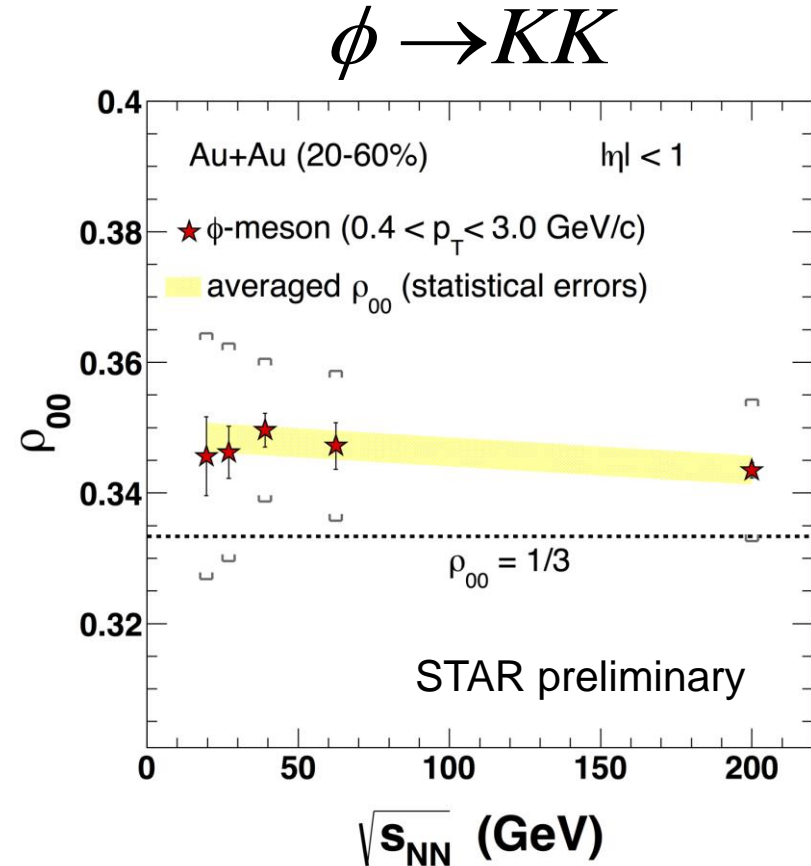
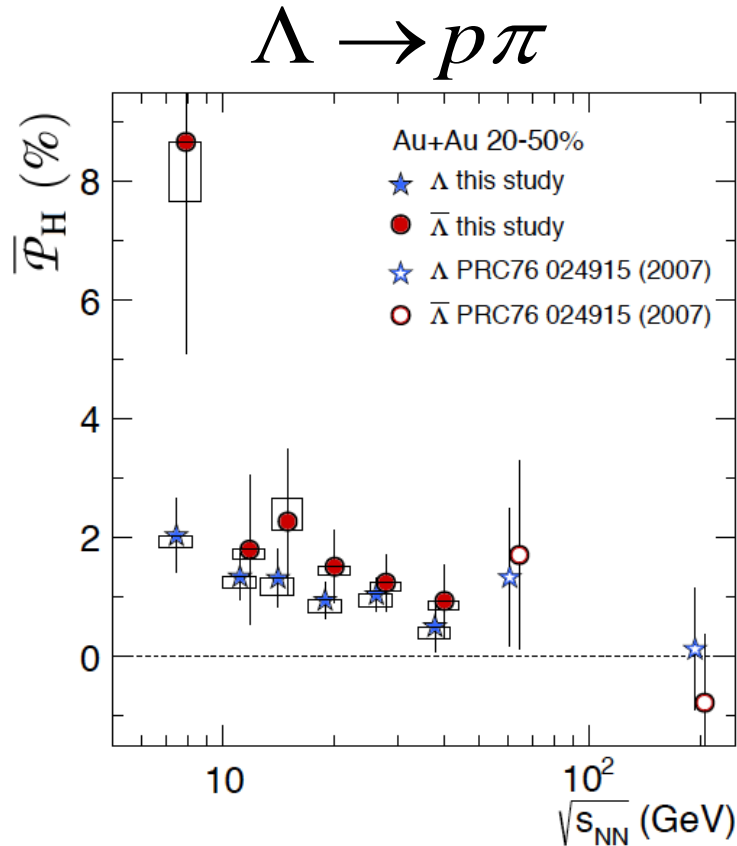
# Background and Signals of Chiral Magnetic Effects

Prithwish Tribedy,  
Tue 14:40



- Decompose correlations into three components
- Short range subtracted charge separation vanishes in most central and peripheral A+A and all p+A
- Isobar collisions will further clarify the origin of the remaining charge separation in middle centralities





- Positive  $\Lambda$  signal  $\rightarrow$  positive vorticity
- **First time non-zero signal observed!**
- $\overline{\Lambda} > \Lambda$  (?)  $\rightarrow$  magnetic coupling
- First measurement on  $\phi$  meson spin alignment

$\Lambda$  Submitted

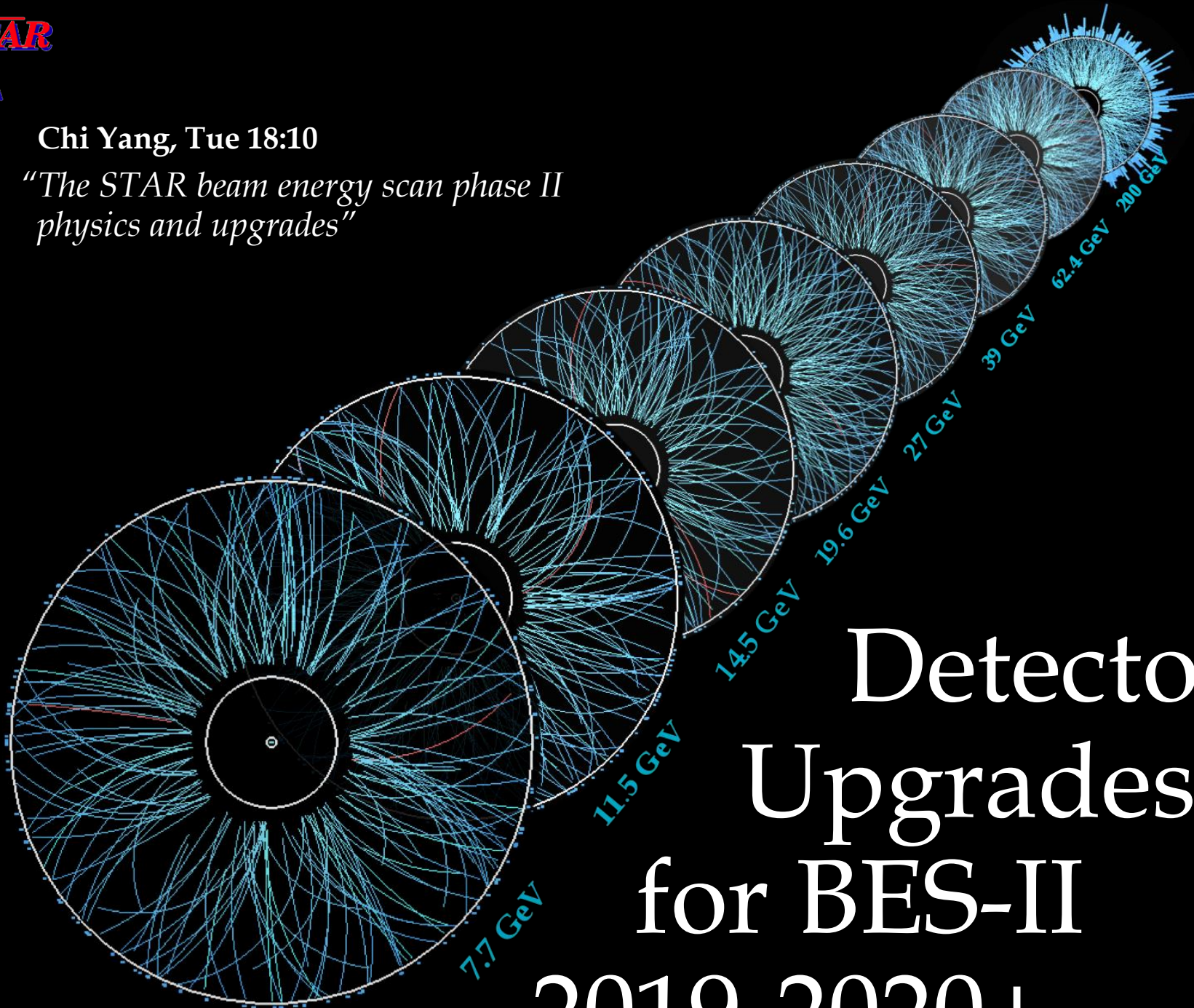
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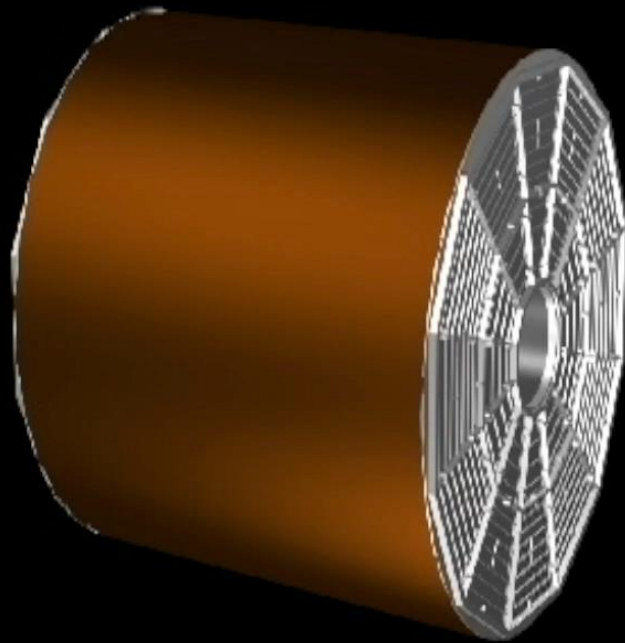


Chi Yang, Tue 18:10

*"The STAR beam energy scan phase II  
physics and upgrades"*



Detector  
Upgrades  
for BES-II  
2019-2020+





# Posters from STAR I

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522. **Subhash Singha:** Beam energy dependence of bulk properties via  $K^*0$  and  $\phi$  resonances in Au+Au collisions at RHIC  
745. **David Tlusty:** Strange hadron spectra and directed flow in STAR Fixed Target experiment

## Collective Dynamics

121. **Md Nasim:** Probing QCD medium with the measurements of symmetric 2- harmonics 4-particle cumulant and moments of flow distributions in heavy-ion collisions in STAR.  
344. **N.N. Ajitanand:** Charge asymmetry measurements in Au+Au collisions by STAR in search of the Chiral Magnetic Effect  
363. **Naseem Magdy:** Beam energy and system size dependence of the viscous damping of anisotropic flow  
423. **Michael Lomnitz:** Centrality and  $p_T$  dependence of  $D^0$  triangular flow in Au+Au collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV  
482. **Takafumi Niida:** The dipole flow in Cu+Au and Au+Au collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=200$ GeV with the STAR detectors  
619. **Anjali Attri:** Event-by-event charge separation in Au+Au collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=200$  GeV with the STAR detector at RHIC

## Correlations & Fluctuations

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239. **Toshihiro Nonaka:** Measurement of the sixth order cumulant of net-proton multiplicity distribution in Au+Au collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV from the STAR experiment  
293. **Arghya Chatterjee:** Measurements of off-diagonal cumulants of net-charge, net-proton and net-kaon distributions at STAR  
305. **Xu Sun:** Collision energy and centrality dependence of  $\phi$ -meson spin alignment  
327. **Jindrich Lidrych:** Kaon femtoscopy in Au+Au collisions at the energy from 7.7 to 200 GeV with the STAR experiment

## Electroweak Probes

340. **Shuai Yang:** Coherent very low transverse momentum e+e- pair production in hadronic Au+Au collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV and U+U collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 193$  GeV at STAR

## Heavy Flavor & Quarkonia

105. **Qian Yang:**  $J/\psi$  production in p+p collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 500$  GeV at the STAR experiment  
176. **Siwei Luo:** Measurements of  $J/\psi$  polarization in p+p, p+Au and Au+Au collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV by the STAR experiment  
186. **Alena Harlanderova:** Measurement of  $J/\psi$  azimuthal anisotropy in U+U collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=193$  GeV by the STAR experiment  
241. **Xiaoloong Chen:** Non-prompt  $D^0$ -meson production in Au+Au collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV in STAR





# Posters from STAR II

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242. **Zach Miller:** Measurements of electron production from heavy flavor decays in Au+Au collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV by the STAR experiment
258. **Wangmei Zha:** Excess of  $J/\psi$  yield at very low  $p_T$  in Au+Au collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV and U+U collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 193$  GeV measured with the STAR experiment
263. **Xinjie Huang:** Upsilon measurements via the dimuon channel in Au+Au collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV with the STAR experiment
277. **Jakub Kvapil:**  $D^\pm$  meson production in Au+Au collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV measured by the STAR experiment
356. **Xiaozhi Bai:** Measurements of charm and bottom production via semi-leptonic decays in Au+Au collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV by the STAR experiment
409. **Miroslav Saur:**  $D^0$  meson production in Cu+Au collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV measured by the STAR experiment
550. **Guannan Xie:**  $\Lambda_c$  production in Au+Au collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV at the STAR experiment

## Initial State Physics

402. **Maowu Nie:** Event-by-event distributions of flow harmonics in U+U Collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 193$  GeV
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## Jets & Jet Quenching

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254. **Kun Jiang:** Characterizing the away-side jet correlation with robust flow background subtraction in Au+Au collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV in STAR
333. **Ryo Aoyama:** Event plane dependent dihadron azimuthal correlations with event shape engineering in Au+Au collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV
419. **Alex Jentsch:**  $D^0$ -hadron correlations in azimuth and pseudorapidity in Au+Au collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV
561. **Li Yi:** Underlying-event activity studies at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV by STAR
571. **Nick Elsey:** Di-jet hadron correlations in central Au+Au collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV at STAR

## QGP in Small Systems

553. **Yanfang Liu:** Centrality determination for p+Au Collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV by the STAR experiment

## Future

428. **Justin Ewigleben:** An improved Event Plane Detector for the STAR experiment
450. **Daniel Brown:** Forward calorimetry for heavy-ion physics at the STAR experiment
463. **Frank Geurts:** The STAR eTOF upgrade
682. **Yaping Wang:** A faster pixel detector for open bottom hadron measurements at RHIC

Thanks!

