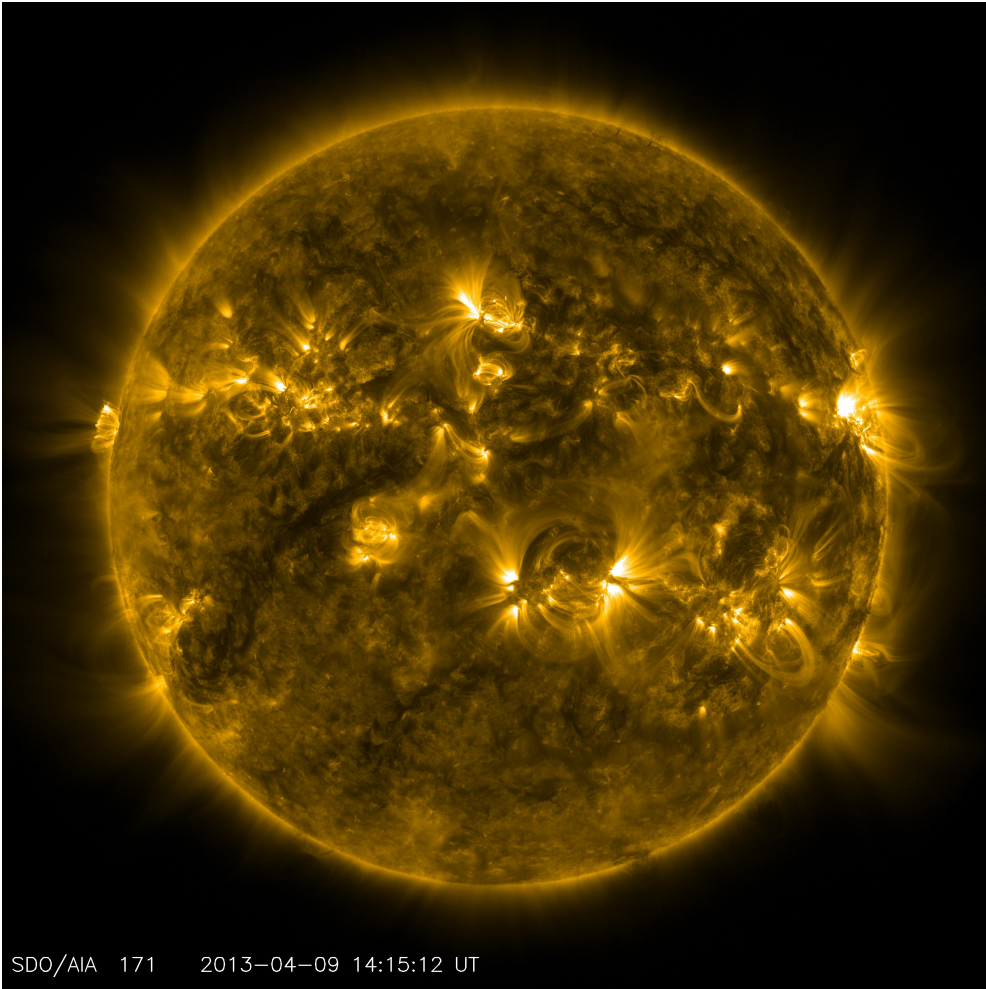


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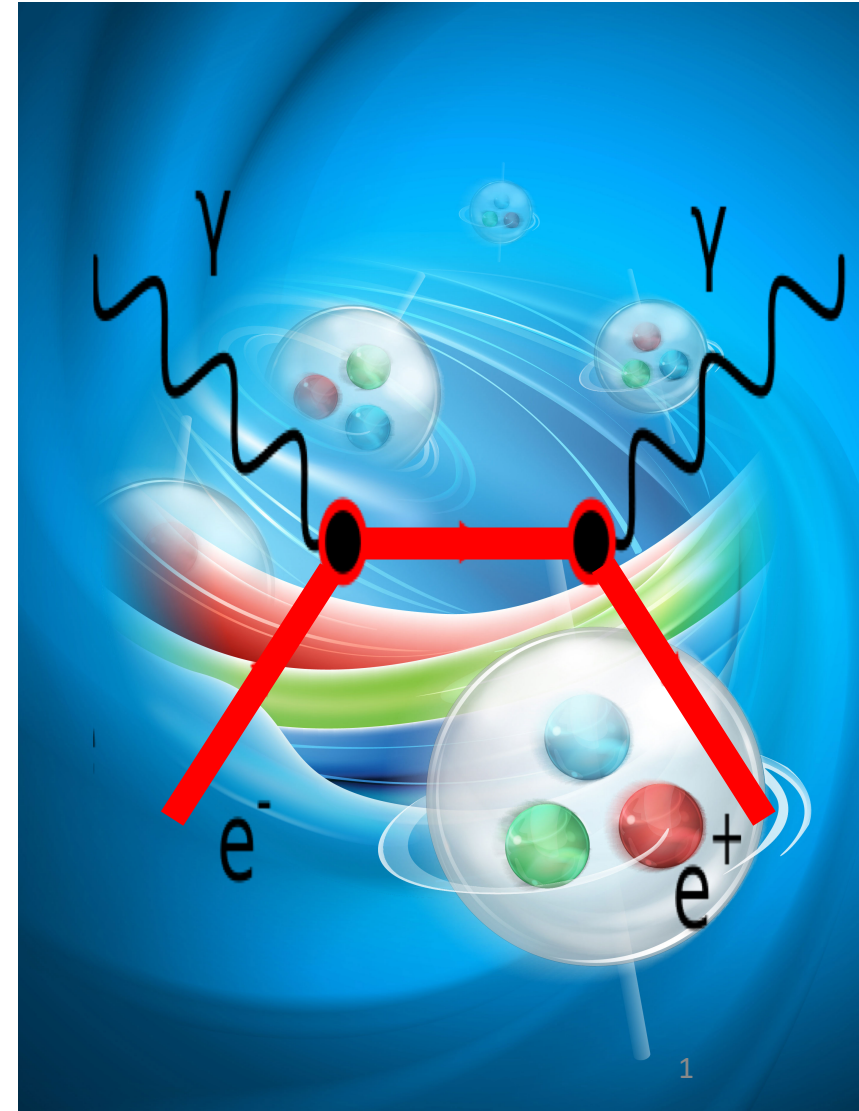
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Matter-induced modification of resonances at RHIC freezeout

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Abstract

We discuss the physical effects causing a modification of resonance shapes in a dilute hadronic gas at late stages of heavy ion collisions. We compare the shapes in a dilute hadronic gas at late stages of heavy ion collisions, which resonances are produced at RHIC, and found that it differs from the pp case the “kinematic” effects like thermal weighting and a clear effect of dynamical interaction with matter, both due to s -channel and due to t -channel scalar exchanges. The particular quantum numbers of the resonances, for which these dynamical effects lead to about -50% of a thermal effect: both agree well with preliminary data from STAR. © 2003 Elsevier Science B.V. All rights reserved.

First Interaction,
Final-stage effect

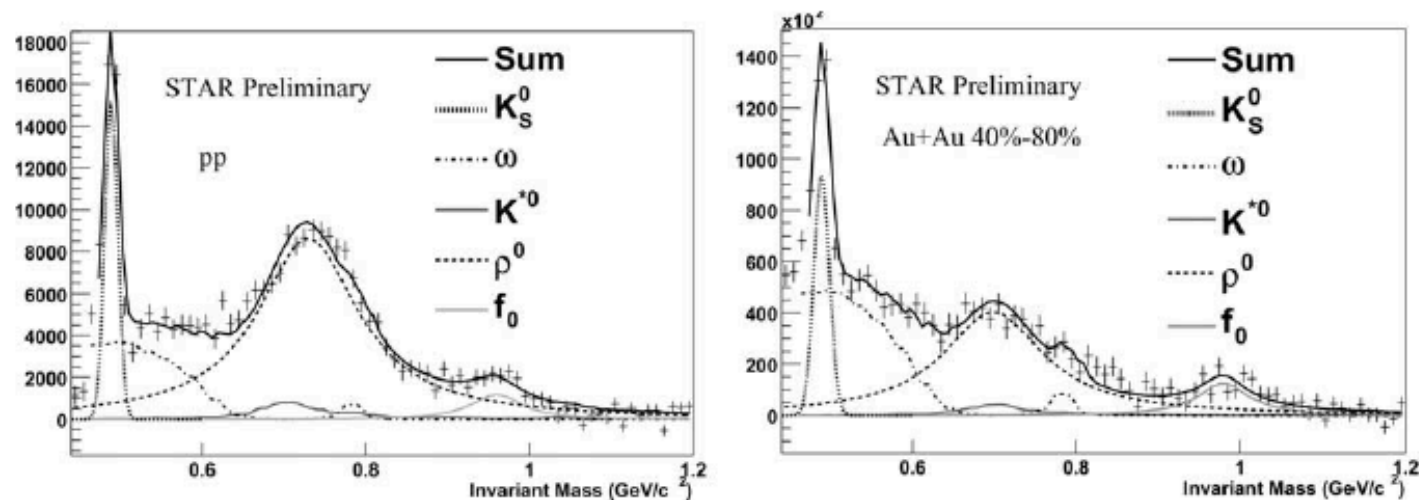


Fig. 1. The invariant mass distributions in pp and mid-central AuAu of the $\pi^+\pi^-$ system, with a transverse momentum cut $0.2 < p_t < 0.9$ GeV. The lines indicate contribution of particular resonances according to some model we do not discuss in this work.

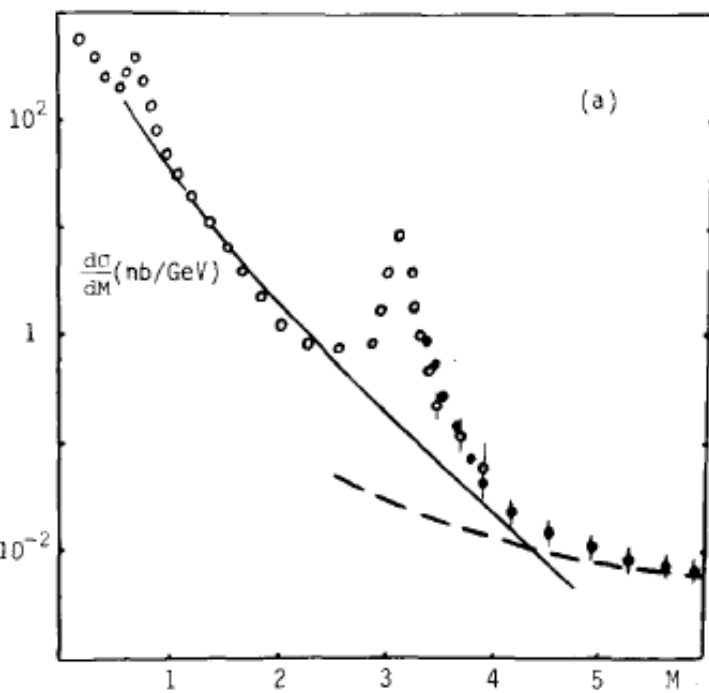
QUARK–GLUON PLASMA AND HADRONIC PRODUCTION OF LEPTONS, PHOTONS AND PSIONS

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The best known example is dilepton production ($\mu^+\mu^-$, e^+e^-), in which deviations from the Drell–Yan model [1] for dilepton mass $M \lesssim 5$ GeV reach a factor



Thermal dilepton radiation at intermediate masses at the CERN-SpS

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We investigate the significance of thermal dilepton radiation in the intermediate-mass region in heavy-ion reactions at CERN-SpS energies. Within a thermal fireball model for the space-time evolution, the radiation from hot matter is found to dominate over hard 'background' processes (Drell–Yan and open charm) up to invariant masses of about 2 GeV, with a moderate fraction emerging from early stages with temperatures $T \approx 175$ –200 MeV associated with deconfined matter.

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Production of soft e^+e^- Pairs in Heavy Ion Collisions at RHIC by Semi-coherent Two Photon Processes

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Magneto-sonoluminescence and its signatures in photon and dilepton production in relativistic heavy ion collisions

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Among the phenomena that we study are magneto-sonoluminescence [MSL, the interaction of magnetic field $\vec{B}(x,t)$ with the sound perturbations of the stress tensor $\delta T_{\mu\nu}(x,t)$] and magneto-thermoluminescence [MTL, the interaction of $\vec{B}(x,t)$ with smooth average $\langle T_{\mu\nu} \rangle$]. We calculate the rates of these processes and find that they can dominate the photon and dilepton production at early stages of heavy ion collisions. We also point out the characteristic signatures of MSL and MTL that can be used to establish their presence and to diagnose the produced matter.

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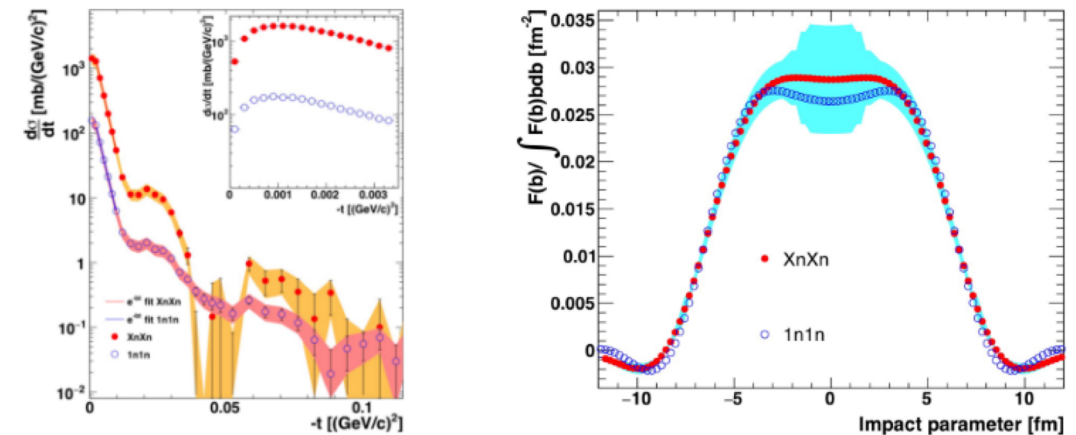
- From Ultra-peripheral to hadronic peripheral collisions
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- How STAR measures e^+e^- from photon-photon collisions?
- Results and Interpretations
- Conductivity of QCD magnetohydrodynamics
- Future Perspectives

★ STAR focus: STAR uses photons to probe the structure of gold nuclei

The STAR Collaboration has recently published “Coherent diffractive photoproduction of ρ^0 mesons on gold nuclei at 200 GeV/nucleon-pair at the Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider,” in [Physical Review C 96, 054904 \(2017\)](#).

This paper reports on a special type of heavy-ion interaction, where the ions do not physically collide, but interact via a long-range electromagnetic interaction, whereby photons emitted by one nucleus probe the structure of the other nucleus. The photons come from the electric and magnetic fields carried by the highly charged nuclei. The electric fields radiate radially outward, while magnetic fields circle the ion’s trajectory. The two fields are perpendicular, just like those of a photon, and they can be treated as such.

In the reaction considered here, the photon may be thought of as briefly fluctuating to a quark-antiquark pair, as allowed by the Heisenberg uncertainty principle. Quark-antiquark pairs are mesons; this photon fluctuation acts like a meson with the same quantum numbers (spin one and negative parity) as the photon. These virtual (short-lived) mesons can scatter from the target nucleus, and emerge as real mesons.



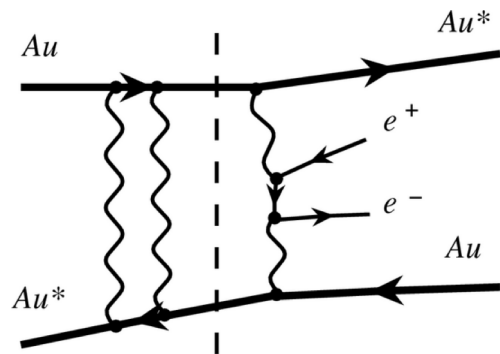
Left: The cross-section as a function of t , the squared momentum transfer to the nucleus. The dips and peaks are a diffraction pattern, akin to the pattern made by a 2-slit interferometer. ‘XnXn’ and ‘1n1n’ are two different STAR data samples. The inset shows the distribution for very small momentum transfers. **Right:** The two-dimensional Fourier transform of the left panel, showing the density of the interaction sites in the nucleus, as a function of transverse distance from its center. This is a map of where the mesons interacted in the target. Although there is considerable systematic uncertainty (the blue region) near the center of the target, the edges of the nuclei are well defined.

The photons scatter equally from protons and neutrons. But, we can’t tell which proton or neutron an individual meson scattered from. In quantum mechanics, we add the amplitudes to scatter from each target meson. The amplitude is a complex number with a phase which depends on the meson momentum and the position of the target nucleon. By studying how the scattering probability varies with the momentum transfer to the nucleus, we can image the matter distribution in the target. The left panel shows the scattering probability as a function of the square of the momentum transfer (t) for two different STAR data samples. The dips are due to diffraction, like the fringes seen in the classic two-slit diffraction pattern, but with a circular target.

STAR has a long history of using photons from Ultra-peripheral collisions at RHIC

Photon-Pameron Interaction (vector-meson dominant)

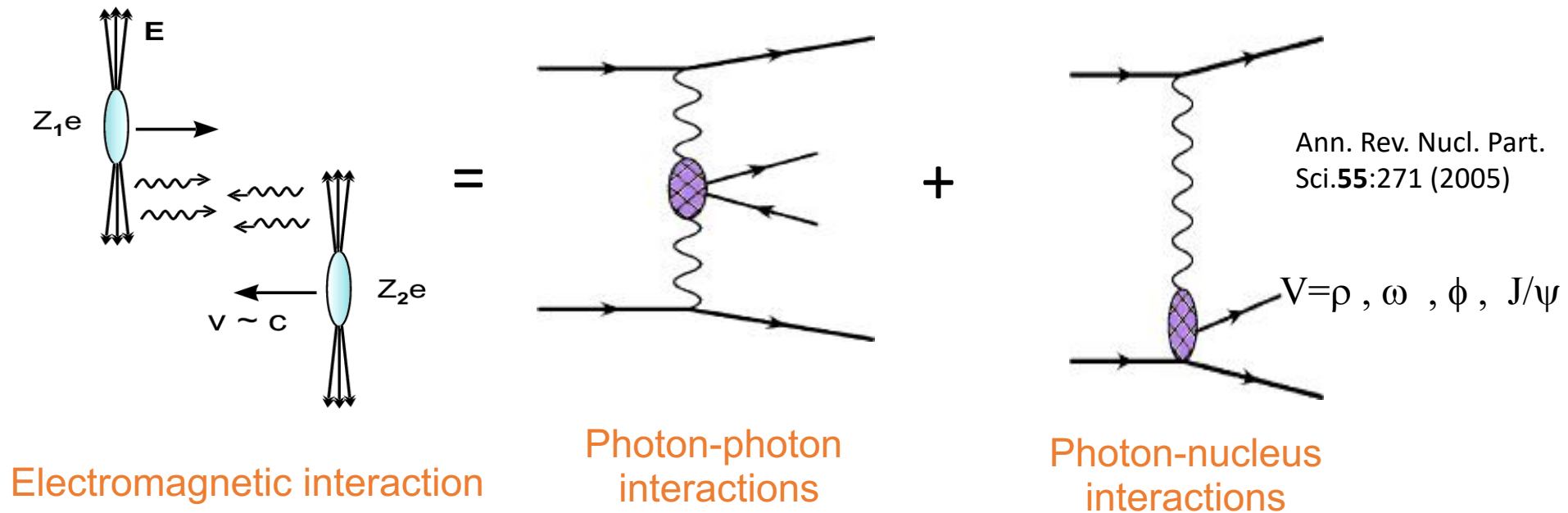
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↑ photon-photon collisions

Photon interactions in A+A



- This large flux of quasi-real photons makes a hadron collider also a photon collider!
 - ✓ Photon-nucleus interactions: Vector meson
 - ✓ Photon-photon interactions: dileptons ...
- Conventionally believed to be only exist in ultra-peripheral collisions (UPC) to keep “coherent”!

Ultra-peripheral vs Peripheral collisions

The process can be factorized into two parts:

A semi-classical part: the photon flux induced by the heavy ions

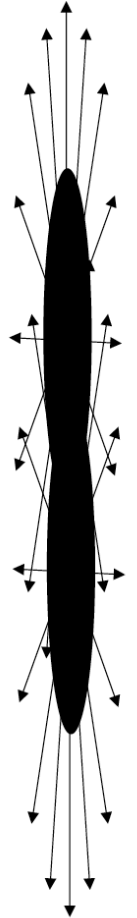
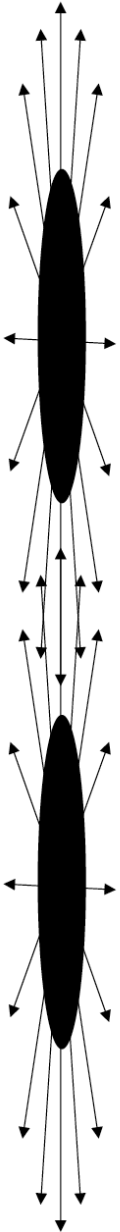
A quantum part: the description of the interaction of the two photons

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma(A + A \rightarrow A + A + X) \\ = \int dk_1 dk_2 \frac{n(k_1)}{k_1} \frac{n(k_2)}{k_2} \sigma[\gamma\gamma \rightarrow X(W)]\end{aligned}$$

The determination of photon flux: equivalent photon approximation

The cross section for continuum lepton pairs: the Breit – Wheeler formula

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{\gamma\gamma} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{W^2} \left[\left(2 + \frac{8M^2}{W^2} - \frac{16M^4}{W^4} \right) \ln \frac{W + \sqrt{W^2 - 4M^2}}{2M} \right. \\ \left. - \sqrt{1 - \frac{4M^2}{W^2}} \left(1 + \frac{4M^2}{W^2} \right) \right]\end{aligned}$$



Transverse momentum spectra in UPC

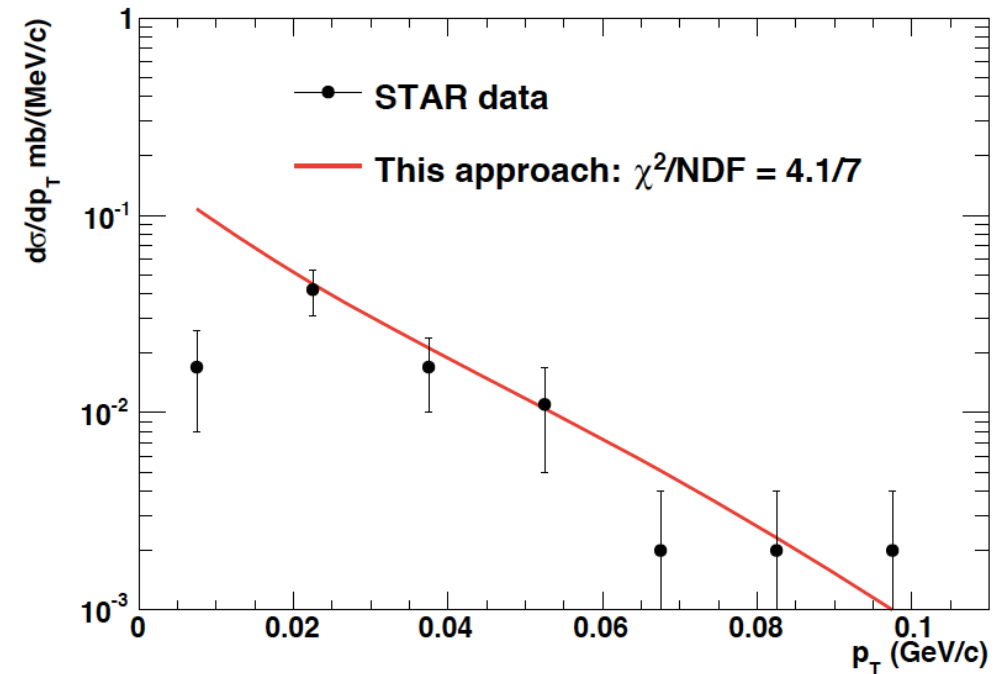
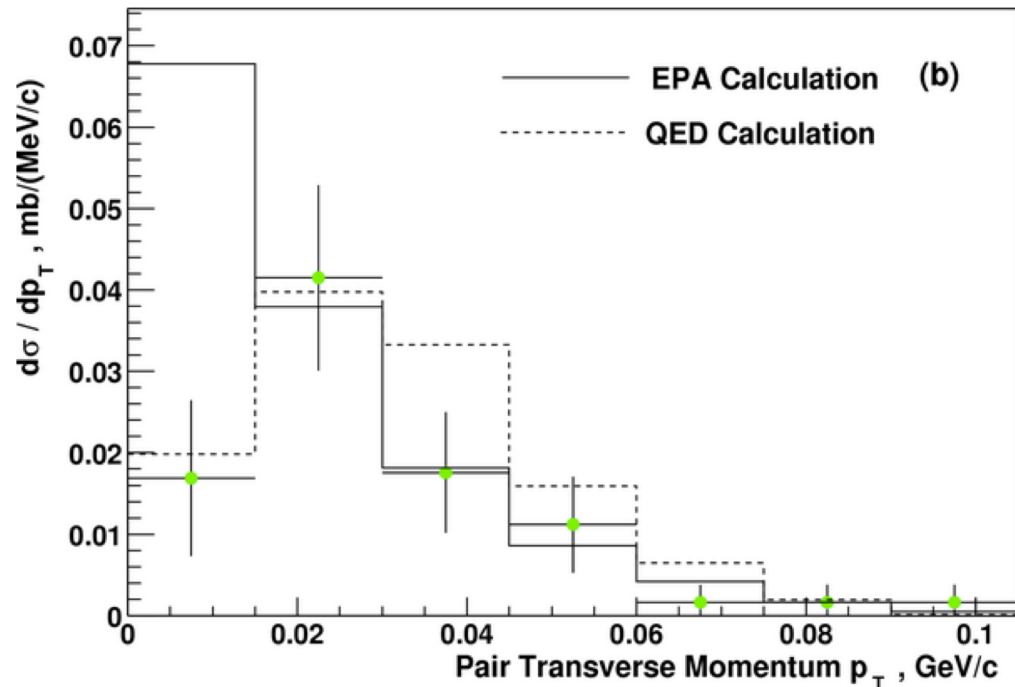
The photon k_T spectrum for fixed k :

$$\frac{dN}{dk_{\perp}} = \frac{2Z^2\alpha F^2(k_{\perp}^2 + k^2/\gamma^2)k_{\perp}^3}{\pi[k_{\perp}^2 + k^2/\gamma^2]^2}$$

Point-like charge Z :

$$n(\omega; b) \approx \frac{Z^2\alpha}{2\pi} \frac{1}{\gamma b} e^{-2\omega b/\gamma}$$

The final-state $e^+e^- p_T$ is the vector sum of the two photon.

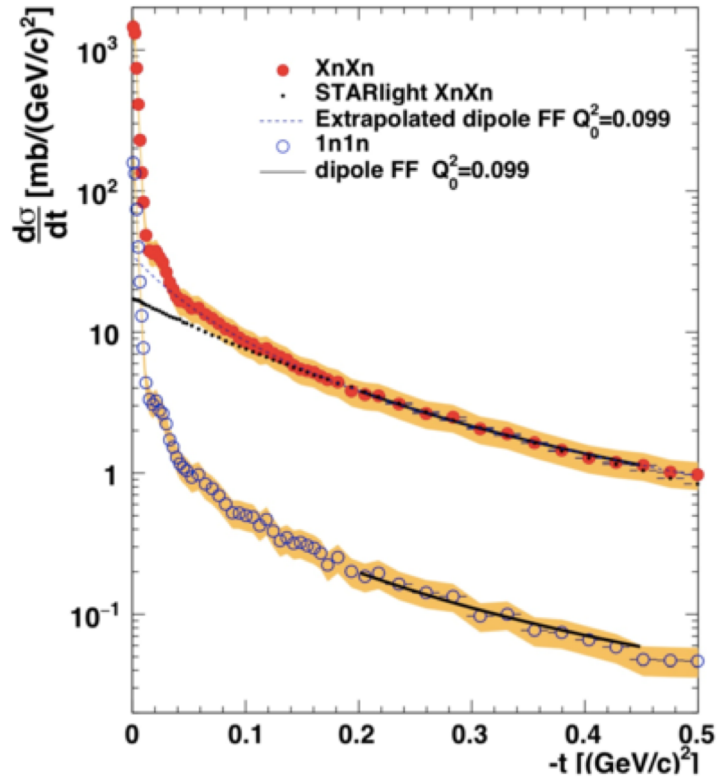


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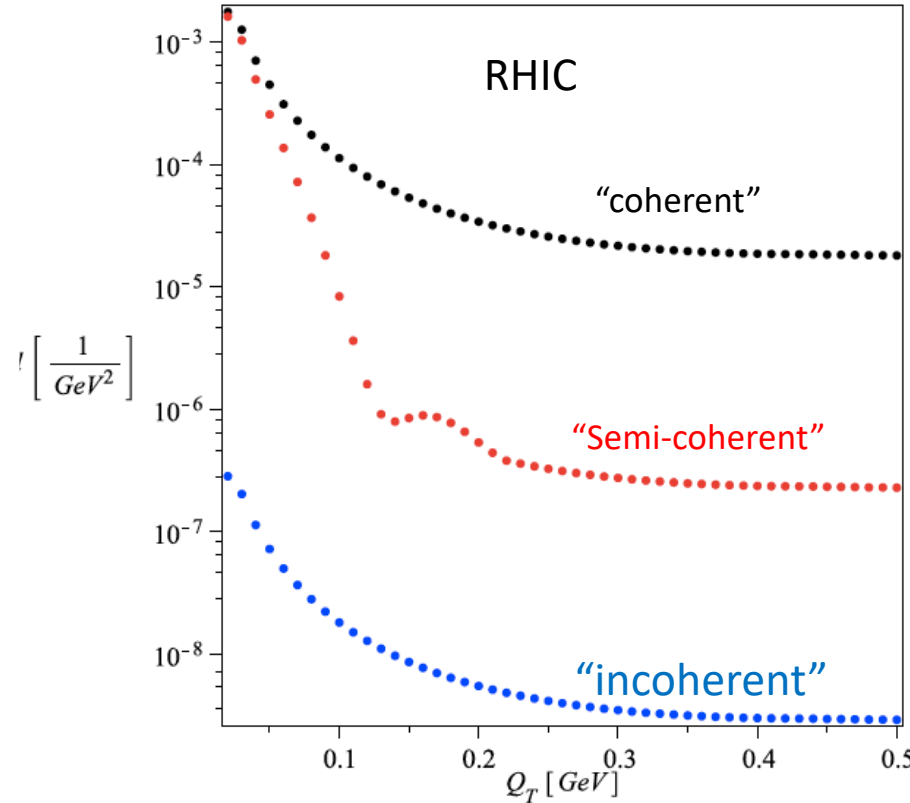
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"Coherent" Interactions

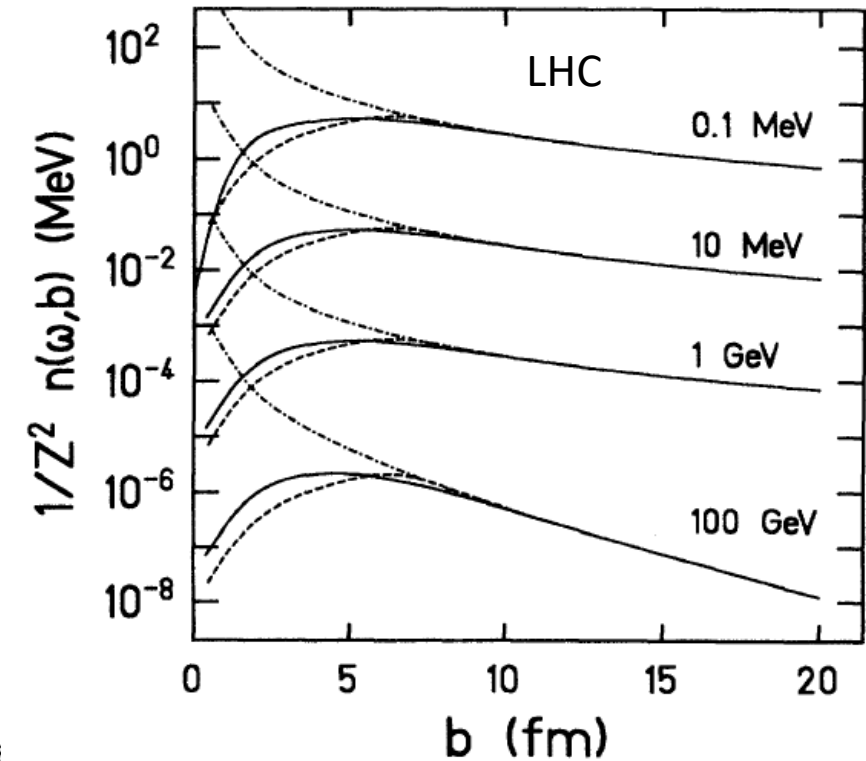
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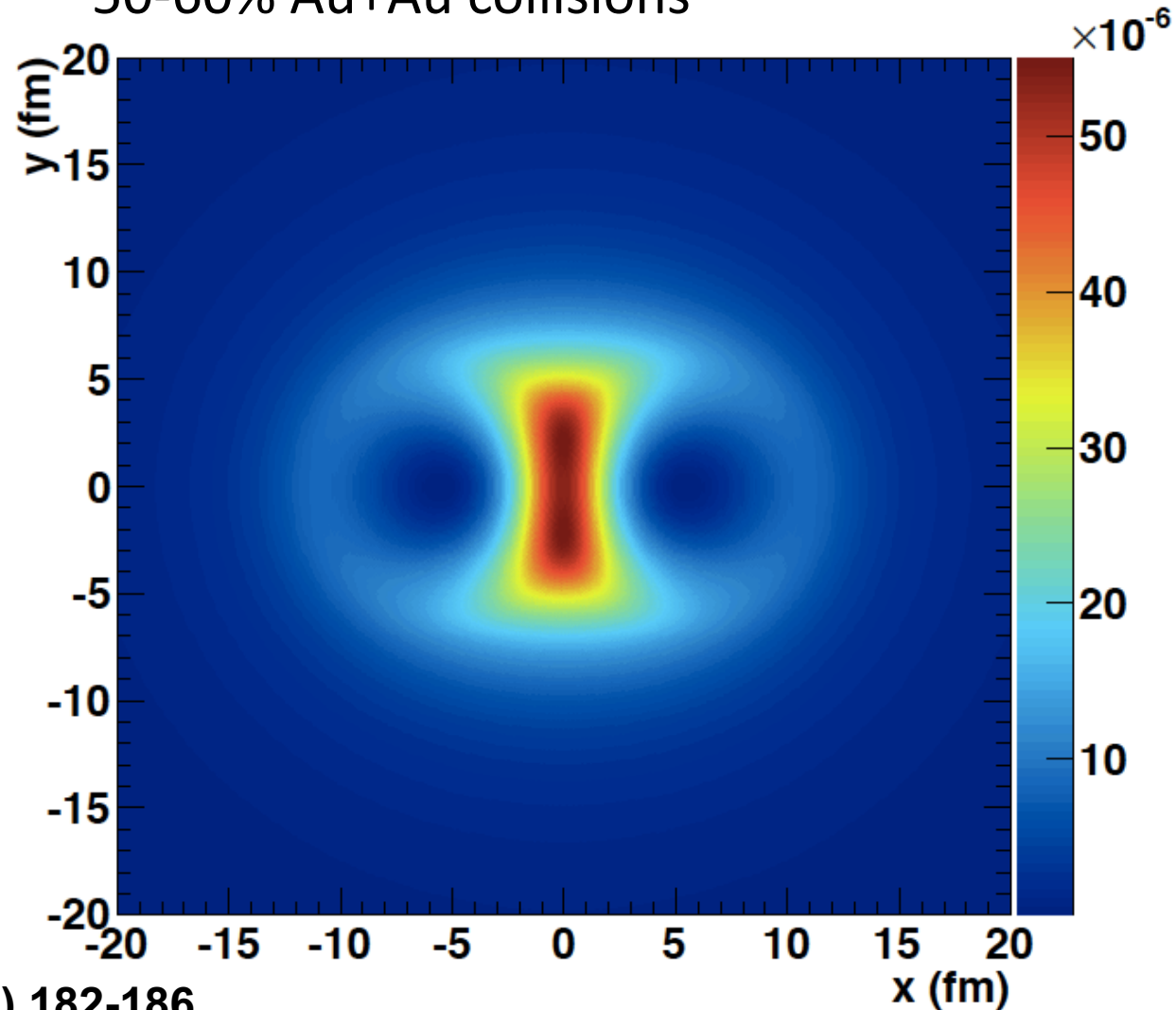


Traditional Coherent diffractive photoproduction:
 Coherent dominates at low t ,
 Incoherent dominates at high t ,
 Diffractive pattern =
 a Fourier transf. of nuclear size

Photon-photon collisions:
 "coherent" dominates at all scale,
 photon distribution does NOT depend on nuclear size ($r > R$),
 cross-section dominates at $E_{1,2}/\gamma$, $pt \sim 10$ s MeV
 NOT sensitive to nuclear size

Spatial distribution of photon collisions

Example of e^+e^- pair spatial distribution,
50-60% Au+Au collisions



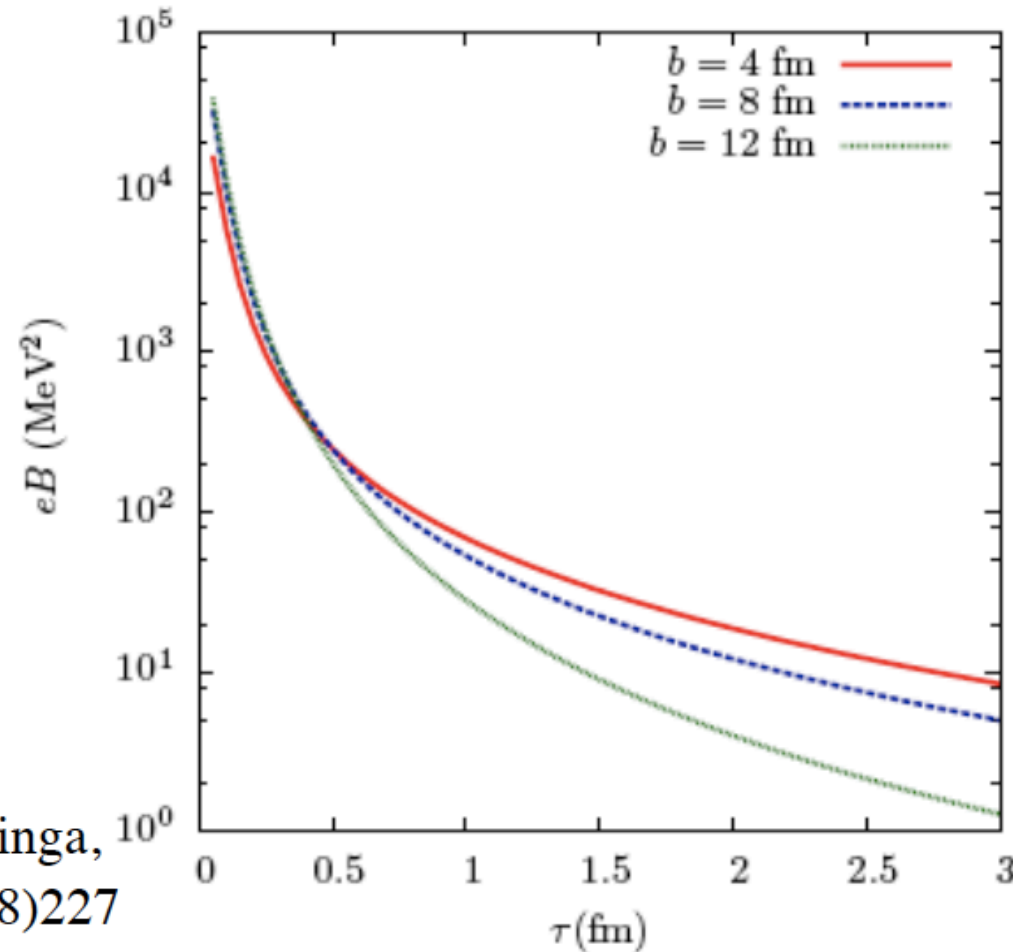
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CME & Magnetic Field



A required set of Extraordinary Phenomena:

QCD Topological Charge

+ Chiral Symmetry Restoration

+ Strong Magnetic Field

Observable:

Chirally restored quarks separated
along magnetic field

Two other Extraordinary
phenomena to make this
possible (QCD topology
reflects in charge separation)

- Chiral Symmetry Restoration
 - low-mass dilepton excess (change of vector meson ρ spectral function)
- Strong Magnetic Field
 - Global Hyperon Polarization
 - Coherent photo-production of J/ψ and low-mass dilepton in non-central A+A collisions

**Disentangle and assess
necessary conditions**

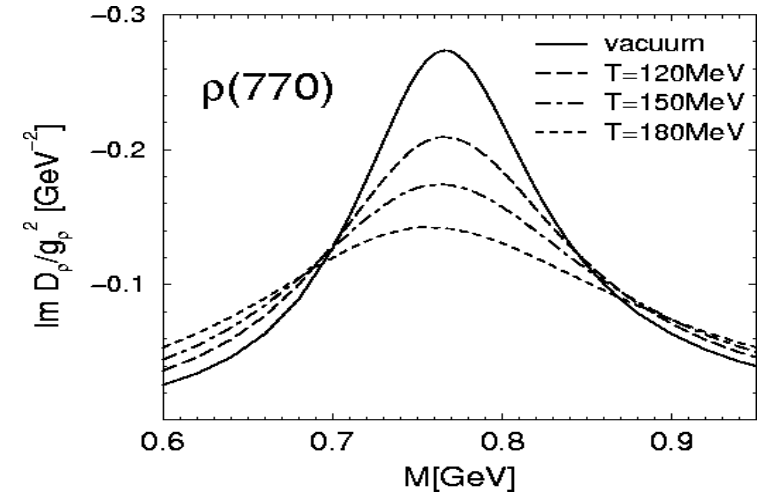
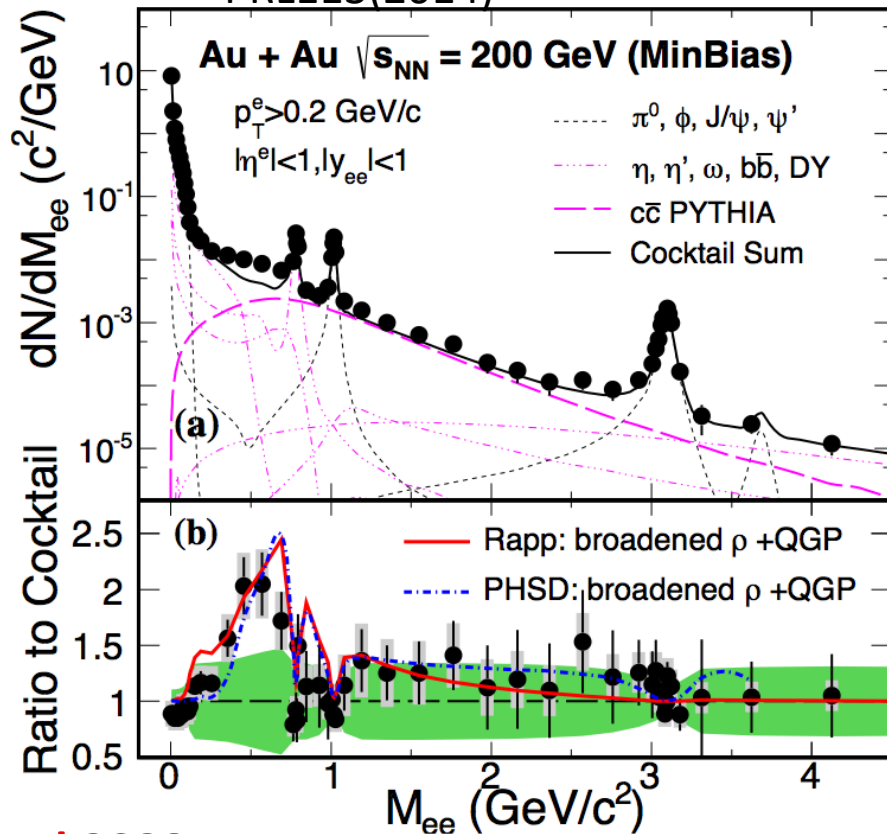
QCD phase transition is a chiral phase transition

Golden probe of chiral symmetry restoration:
change vector meson ($\rho \rightarrow e^+e^-$) spectral function

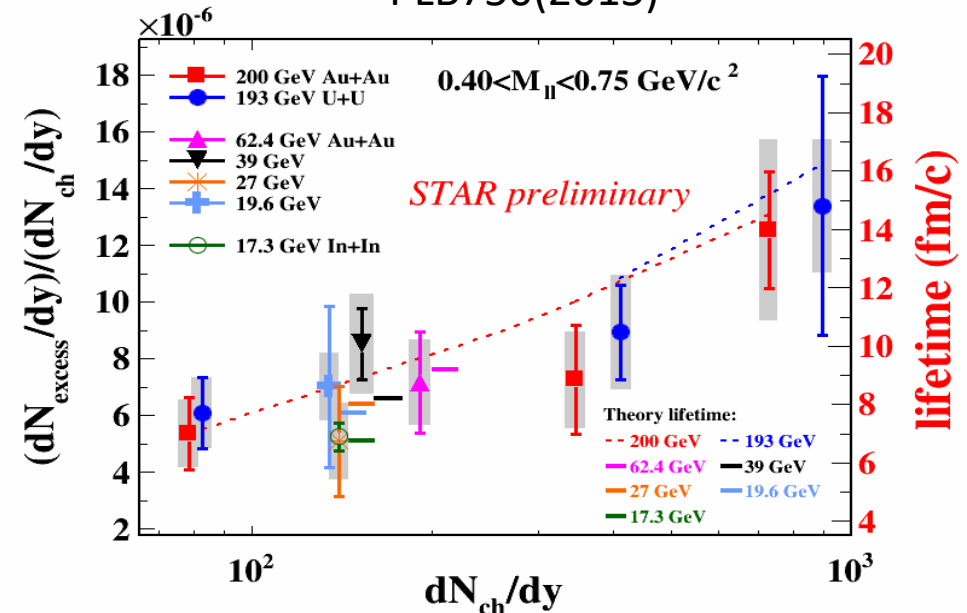
STAR data (RHIC and SPS):

Consistent with continuous QGP radiation and
broadening of vector meson in-medium

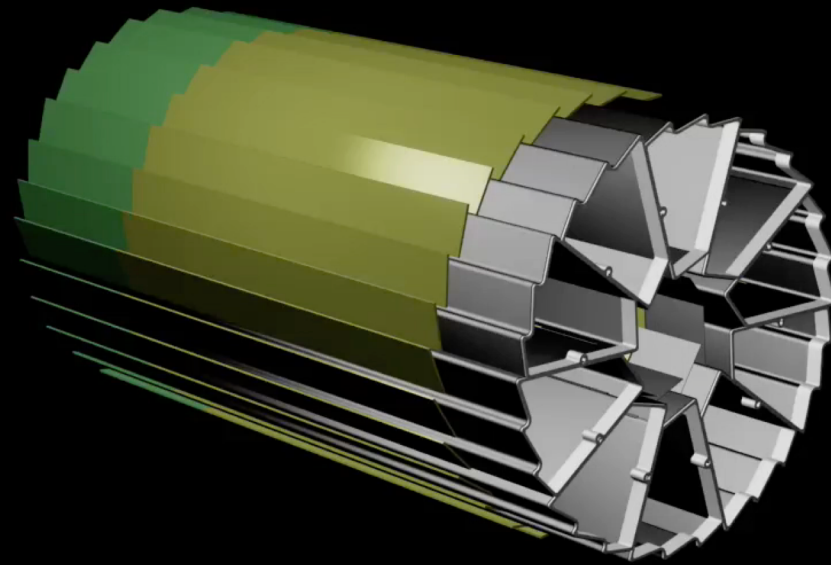
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STAR Detector used for dielectron analysis



Electron Identification

TPC dE/dx: large hadron background

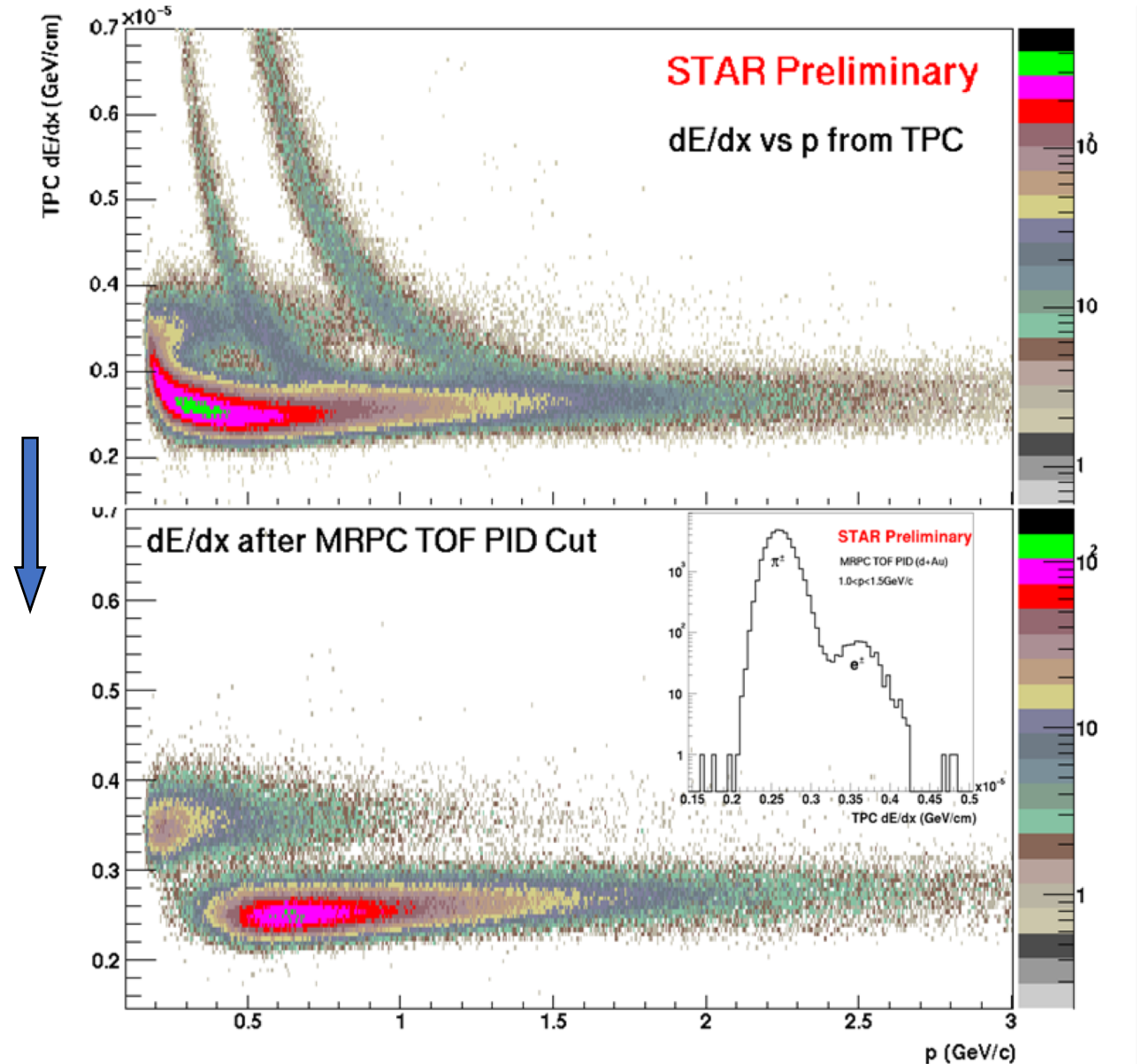
EMC: $p_T > \sim 2.0$ GeV/c

A prototype TOF tray (TOFr) in 2003

$$|1/\beta - 1| < 0.03$$

Not able to do without TOF!

Nucl-ex/0505026, M. Shao et al.
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Characteristics of photon collisions

Photon-interactions:

Peak at low $p_T \sim 30 \text{ MeV}$

Prominent above background

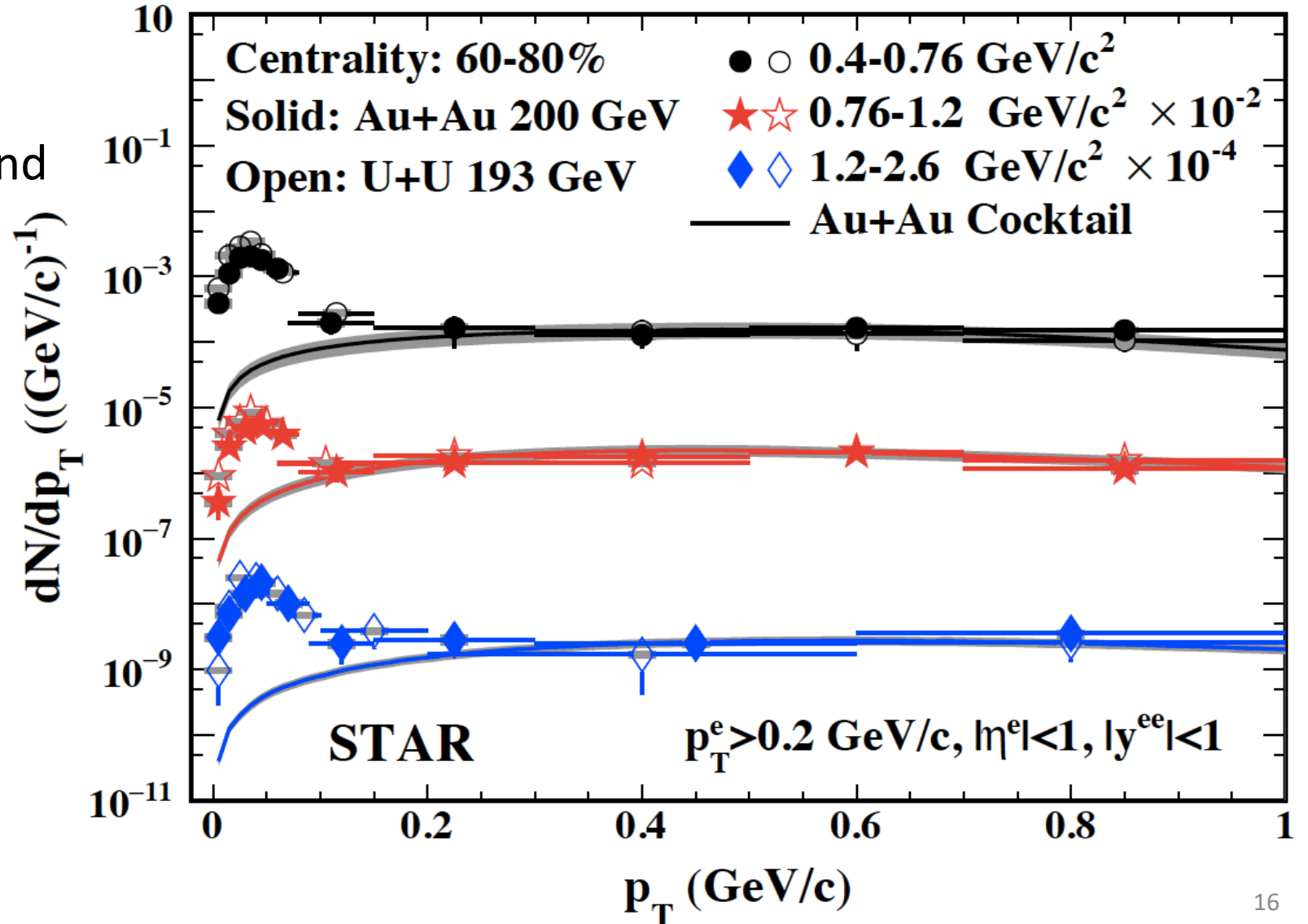
Hadronic production:

$\langle p_T \rangle \sim 500 \text{ MeV}/c$

Datasets:

Au+Au 2010+2011

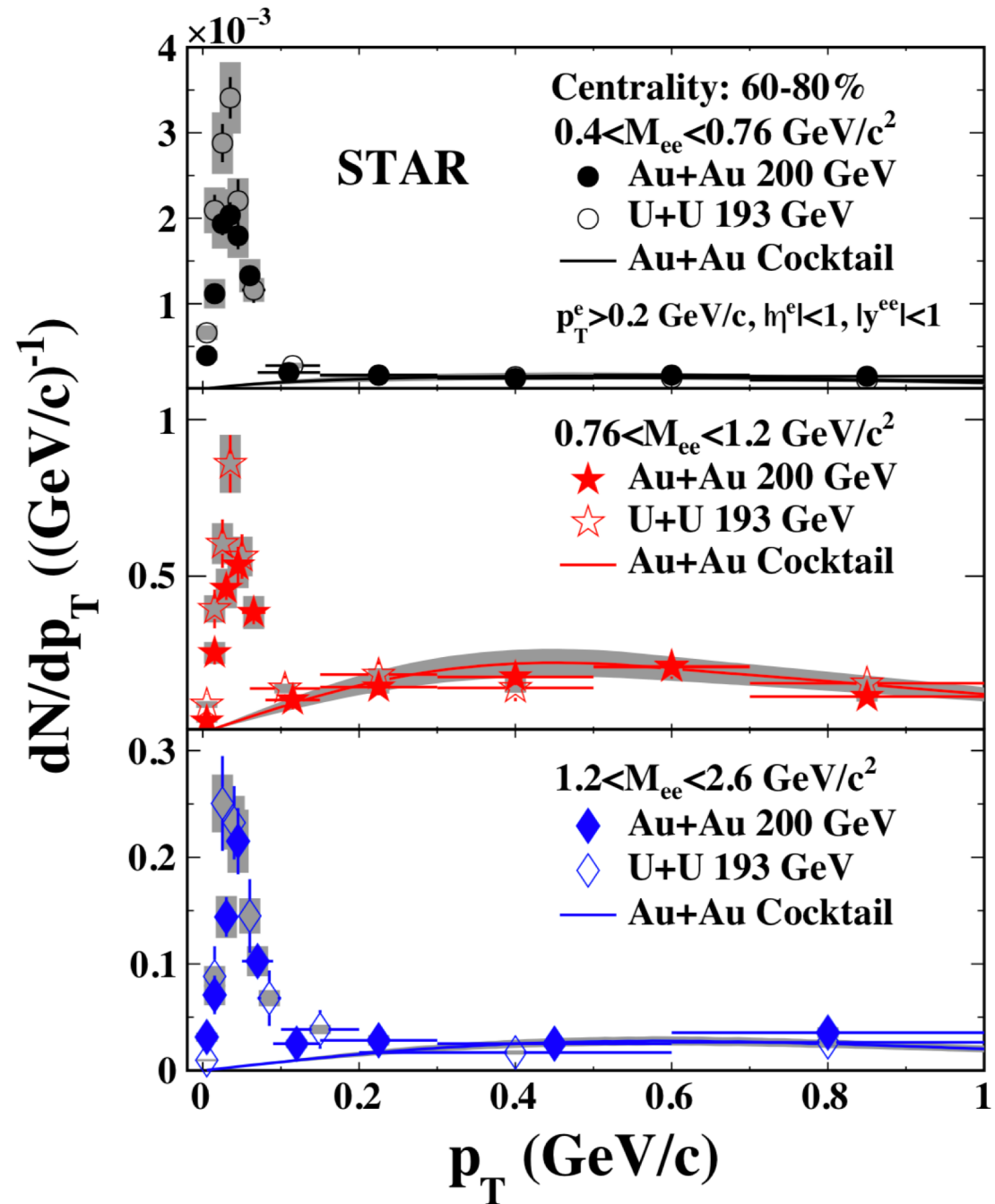
U+U 2012



Good Signal over background

Linear Scale

Signal-to-background ratio is
about 17:1



Invariant mass distributions

Photon collisions:

Continuous in invariant mass

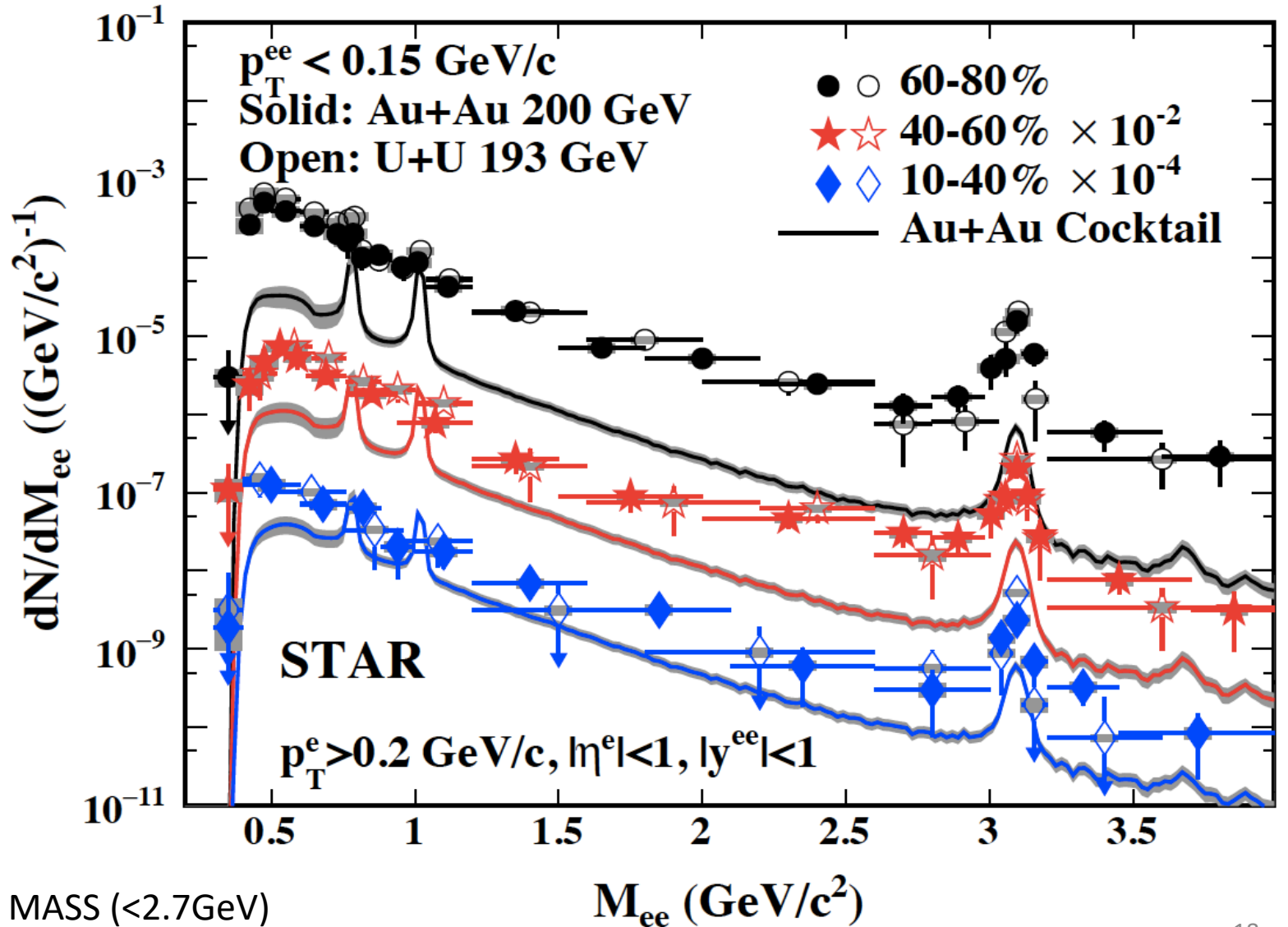
Photoproduction:

Vector Meson Dominant

Invariant mass distributions show combination of both

High mass (VMD):
photoproduction of J/Psi

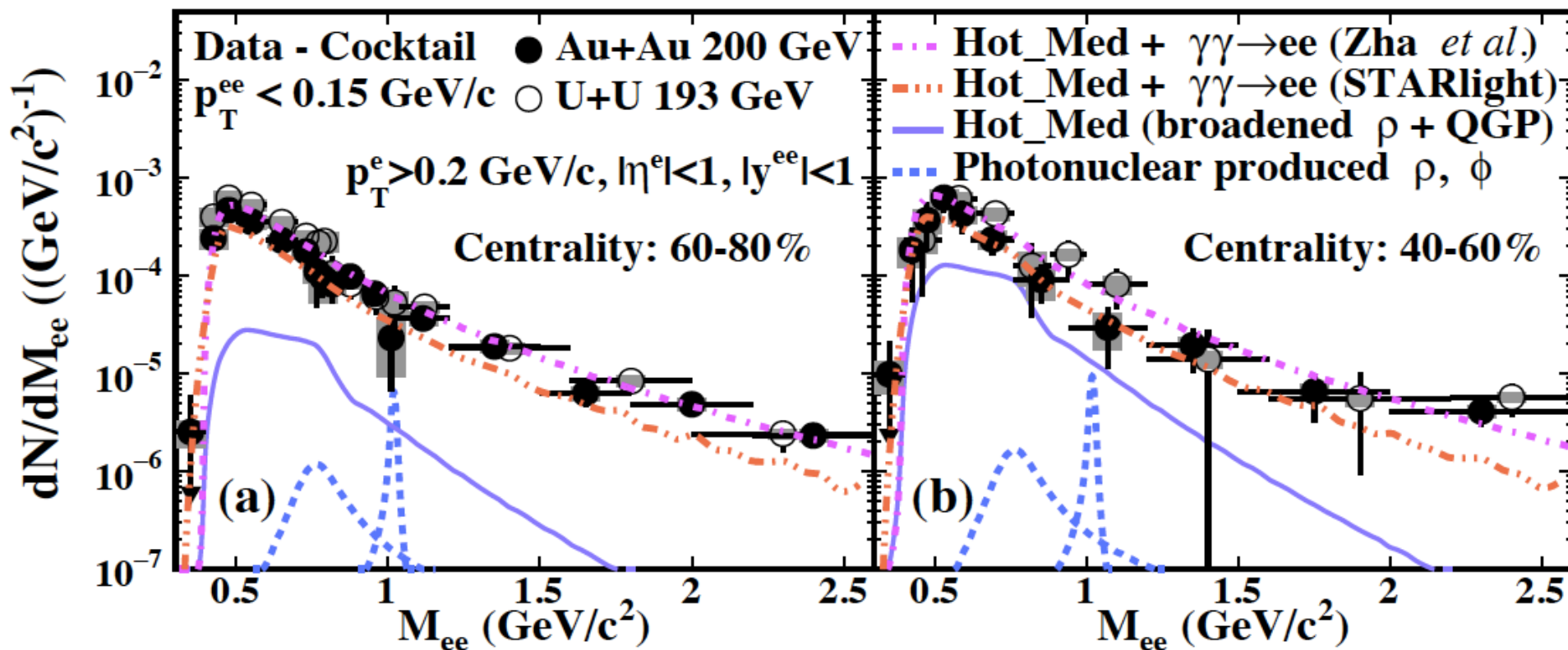
Low-mass:
photon collisions



FOCUS ON LOW MASS (<2.7GeV)

Contributions from different sources

Hadronic cocktail
subtracted:
Smooth continuous
invariant mass spectra



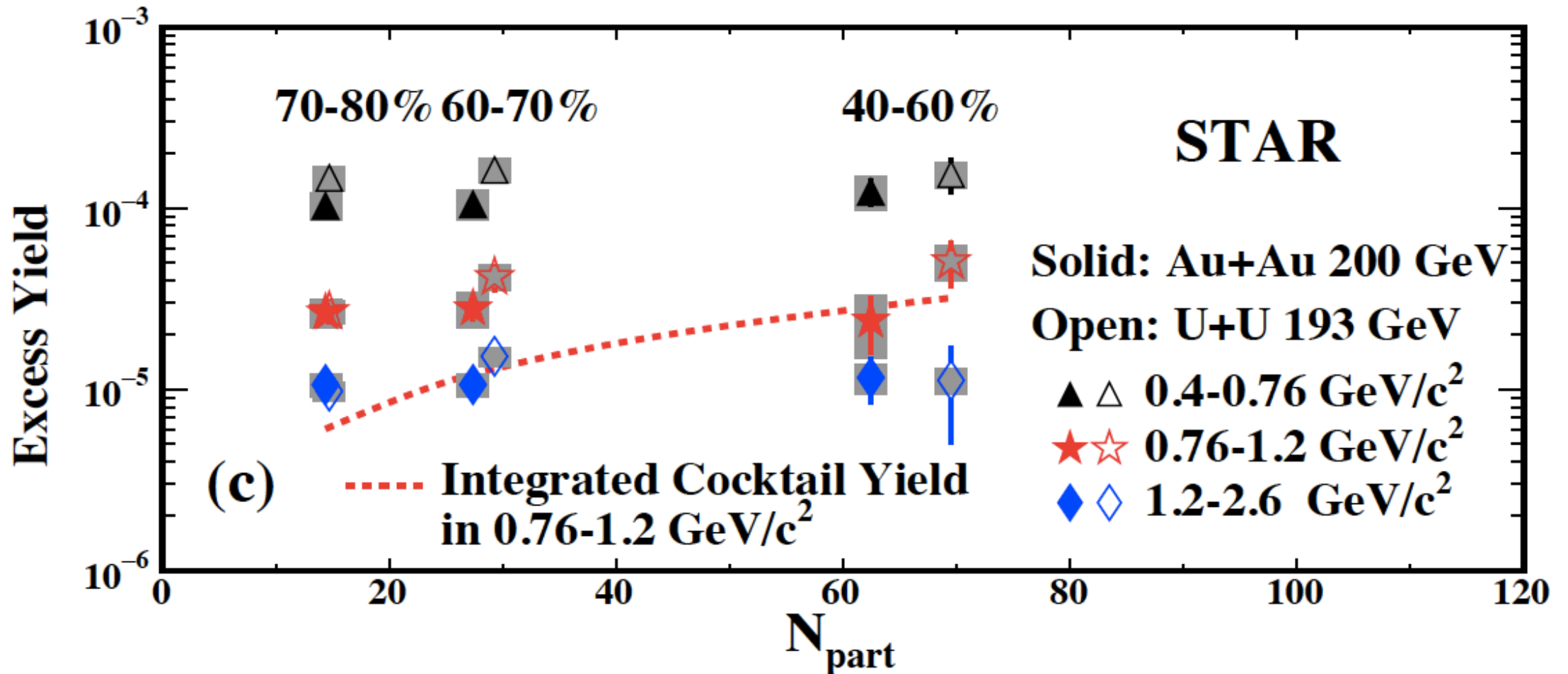
Residual:

- Photon collisions + photonuclear production + rho medium broadening + QGP radiation
- Model can describe the yields well
- Data dominated by photon collisions

Woods-Saxon match data on yields

STARlight underpredicts x2 yields

Yields in centrality and species



- Photon collision: Relatively independent of centrality
- hadronic yields increase rapidly with N_{part}
- U+U > Au+Au (40% higher)

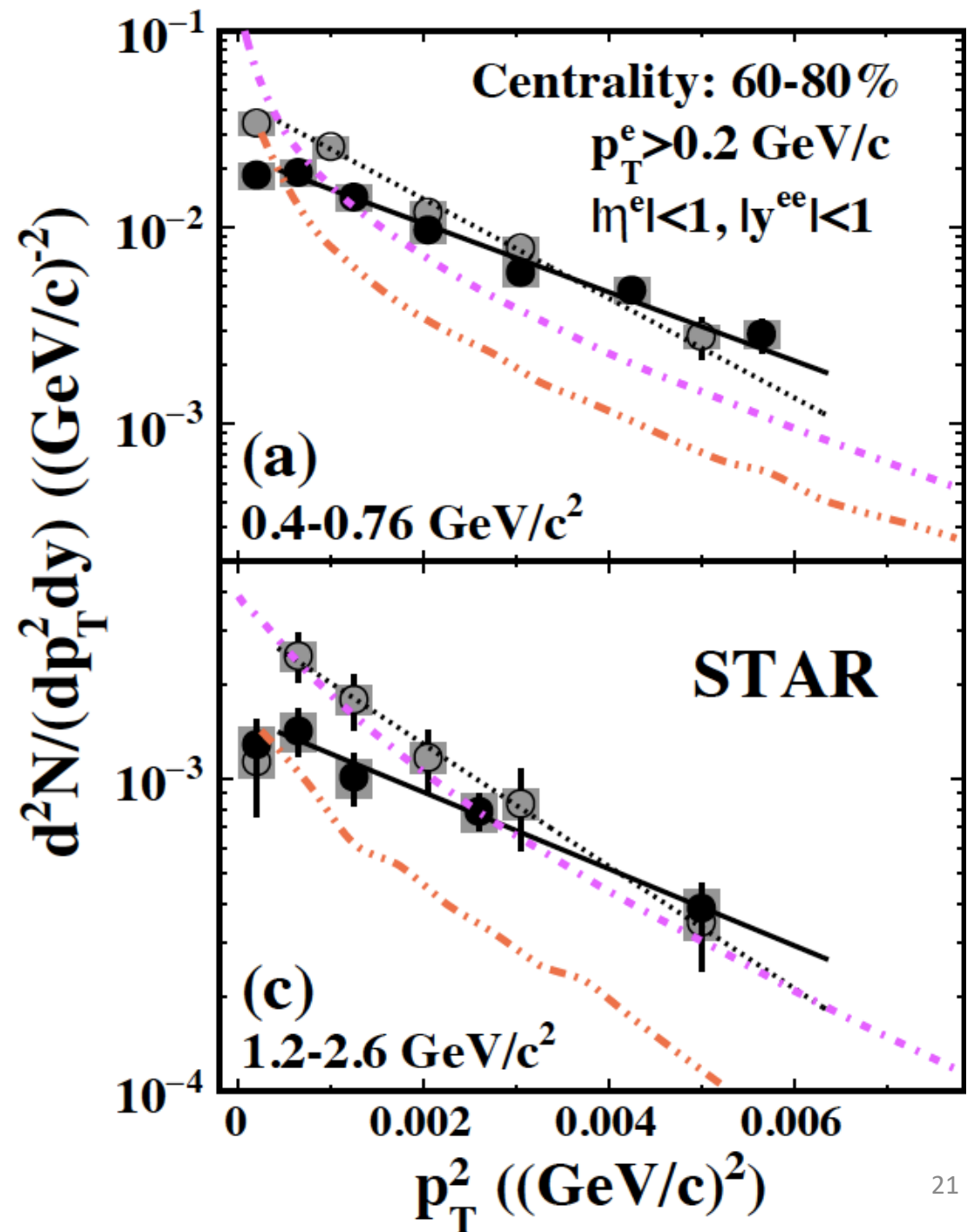
p_T^2 Spectra

Spectra is exponential in $(-t)$
or Gaussian in p_T :
 $\exp(-p_T^2/\sigma_t^2)$

U+U yield higher than Au+Au

Spectra broader than models

Au+Au p_T broader than U+U



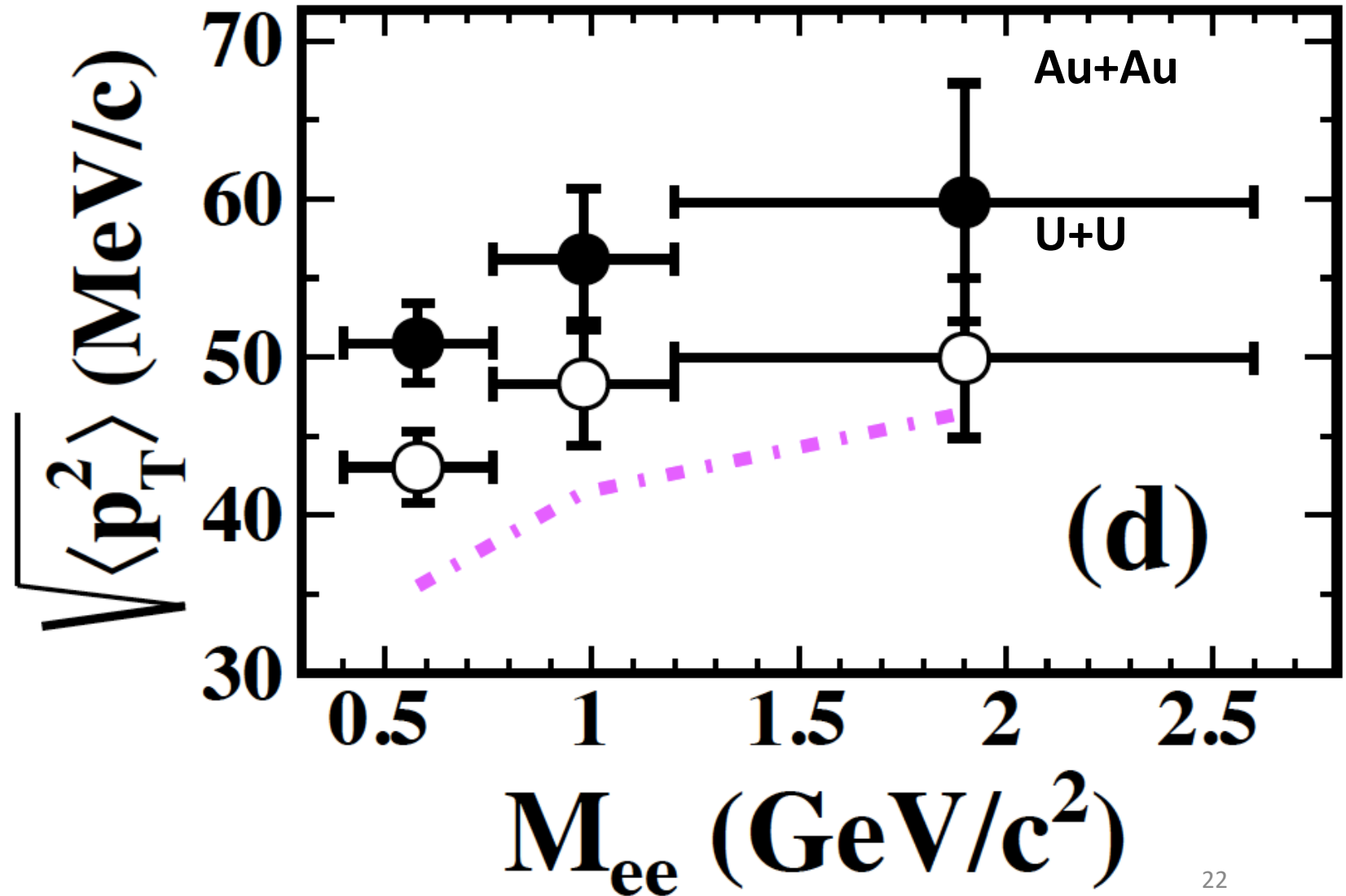
p_T broadening

Two Issues:

p_T spread (σ_T) > Model
additional broadening of
40MeV

Au+Au > U+U

Why “broadening”:
Gaussian in p_T



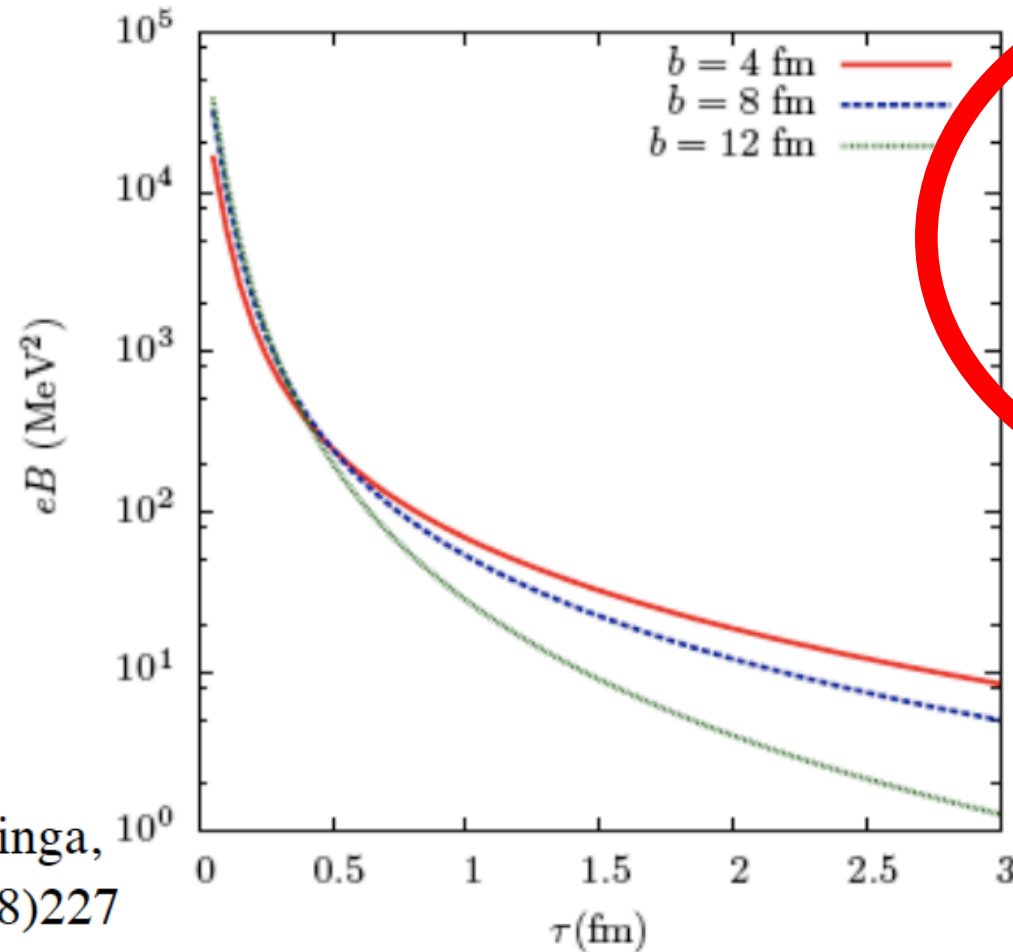
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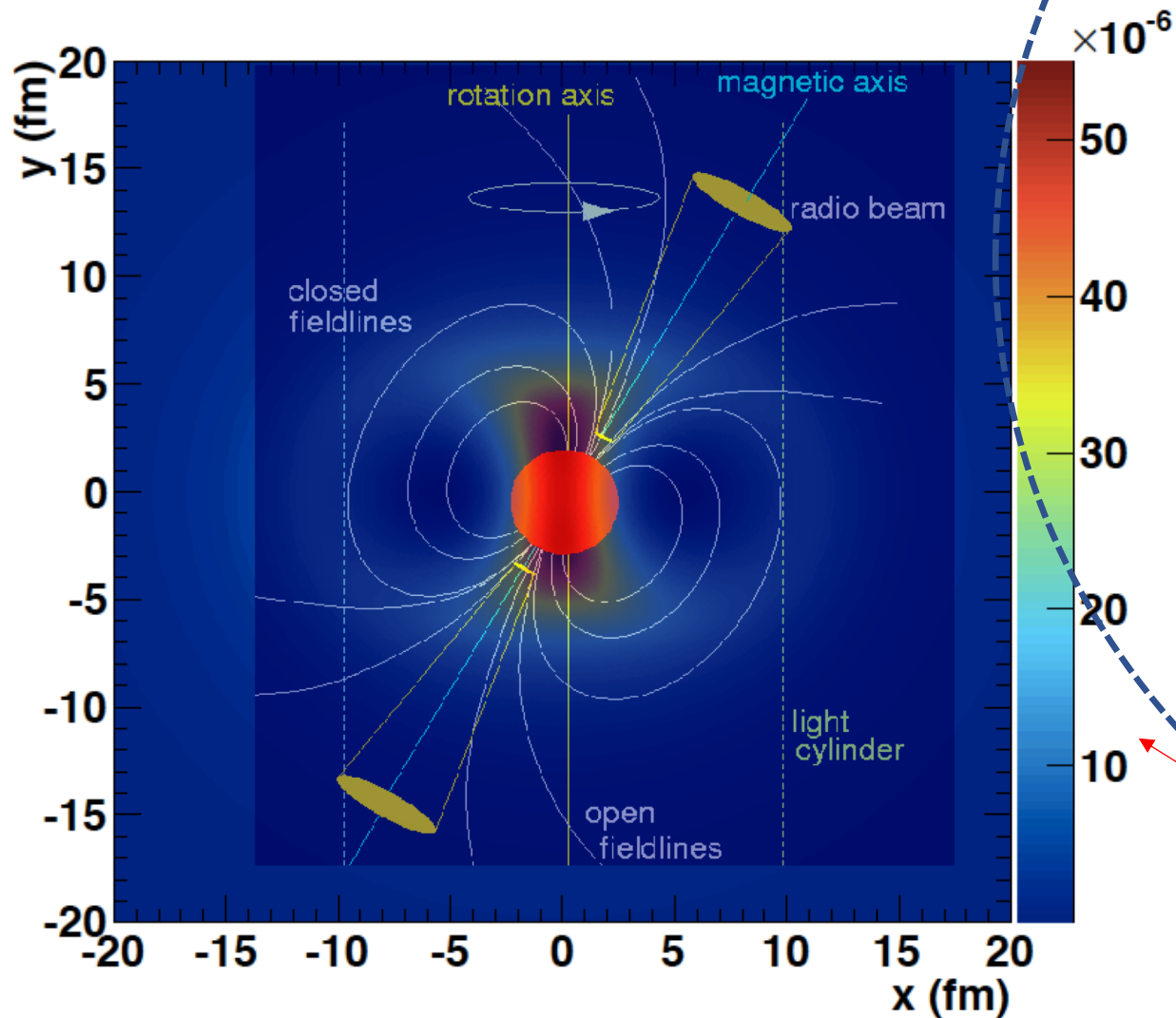
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Impact of magnetic field on e^+e^- p_T spectra



← Example of e^+e^- pair spacial distribution,

Assume uniform magnetic field along y-axis,
Calculate 10^{14}T and 1fm time (equivalent to
the pair travels for 1fm in distance):
the deflection of the spectra is $2 \cdot e \cdot L_0 \cdot B$

e^+

e^-

Spatial distribution of photon collisions

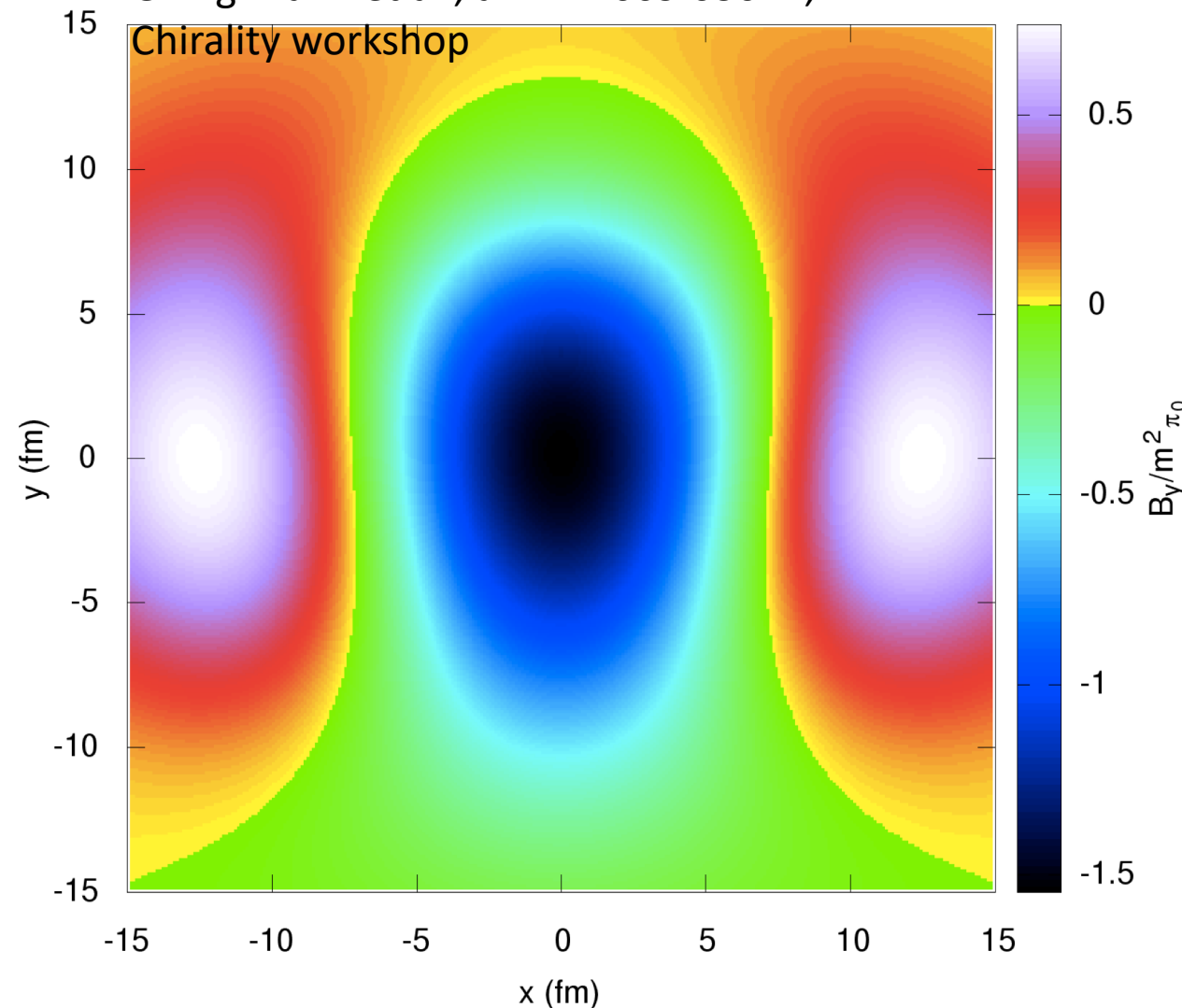
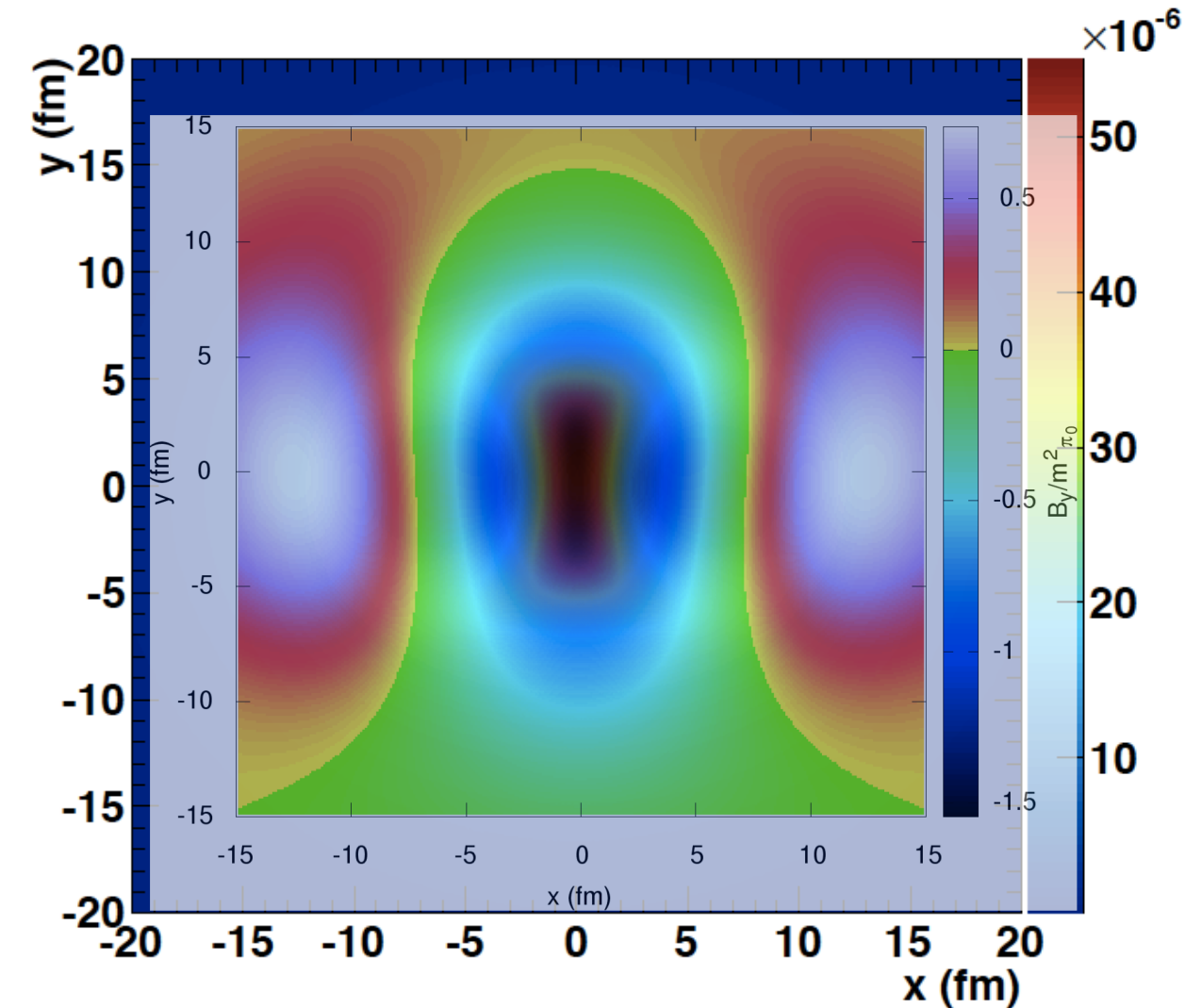
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Conductivities of the medium

$b=8\text{fm}$, $\tau=0.4\text{fm}$, $\sigma=5.8\text{MeV}$, $\sigma_\chi=1.5\text{MeV}$

G. Inghirami et al., arXiv: 1609.03042,

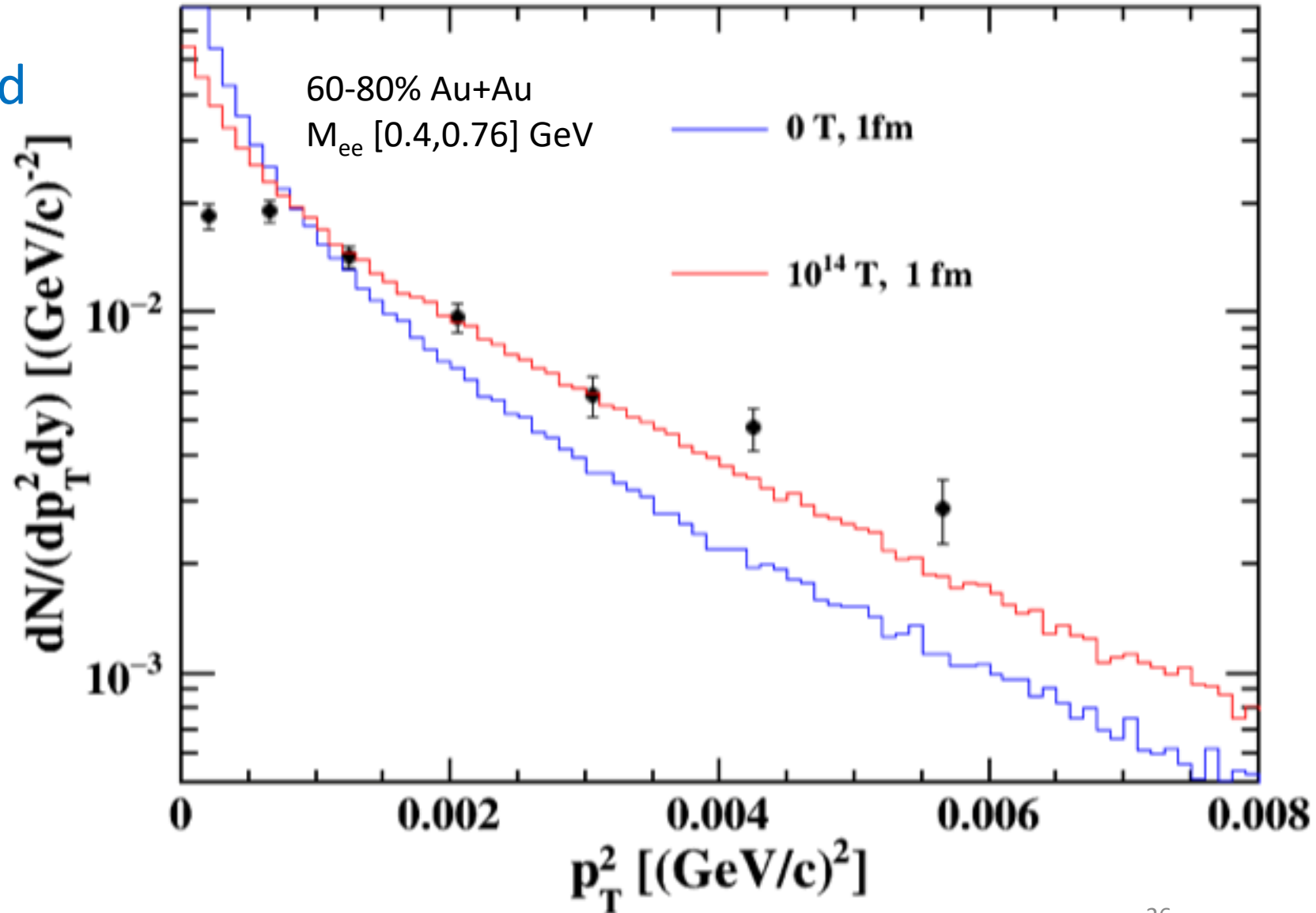
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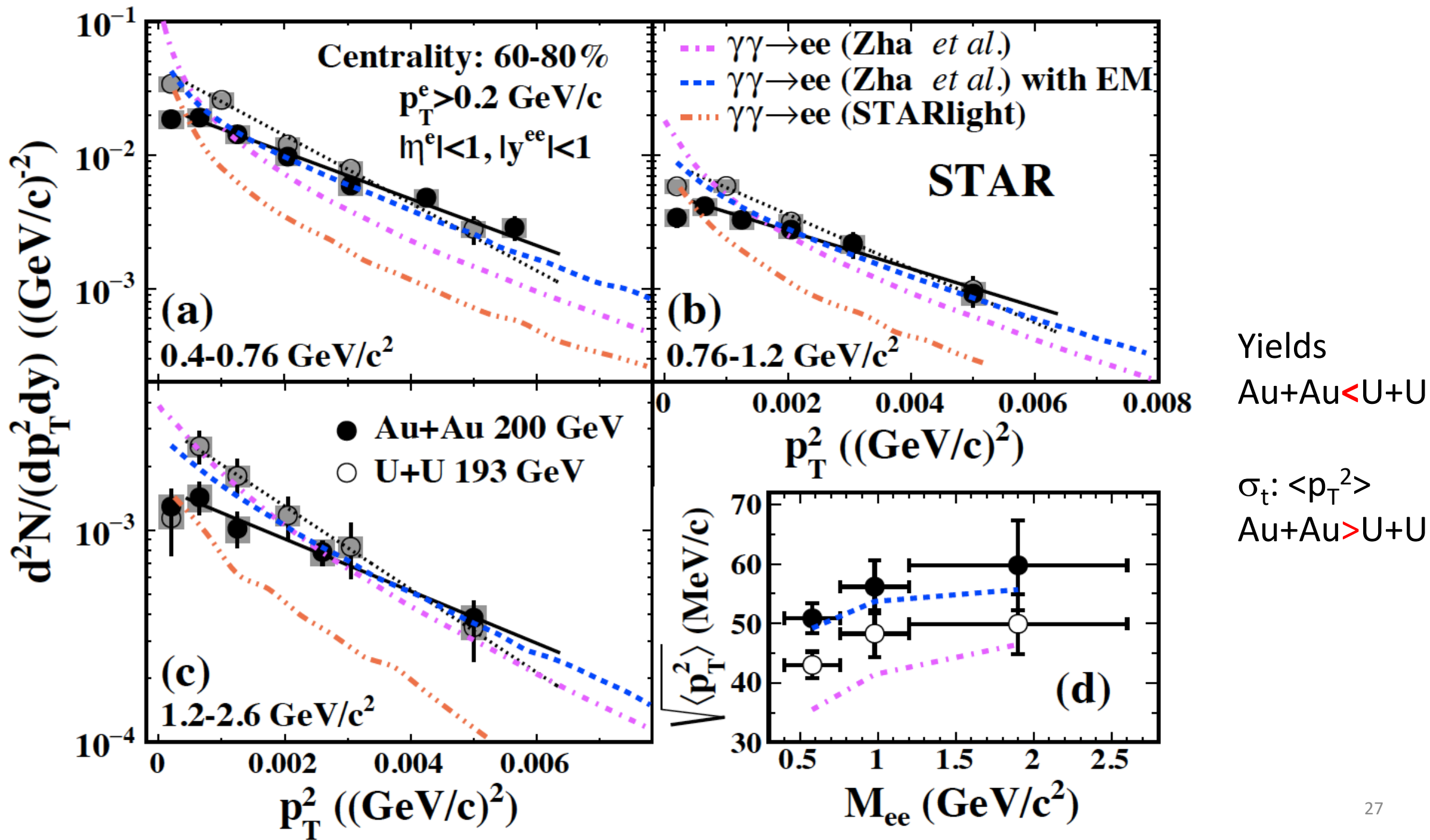


Measured p_T^2 spectra compared to models

BLUE curve is without B field

Red is with B field of 10^{14} T and 1fm
(time, traversing distance)



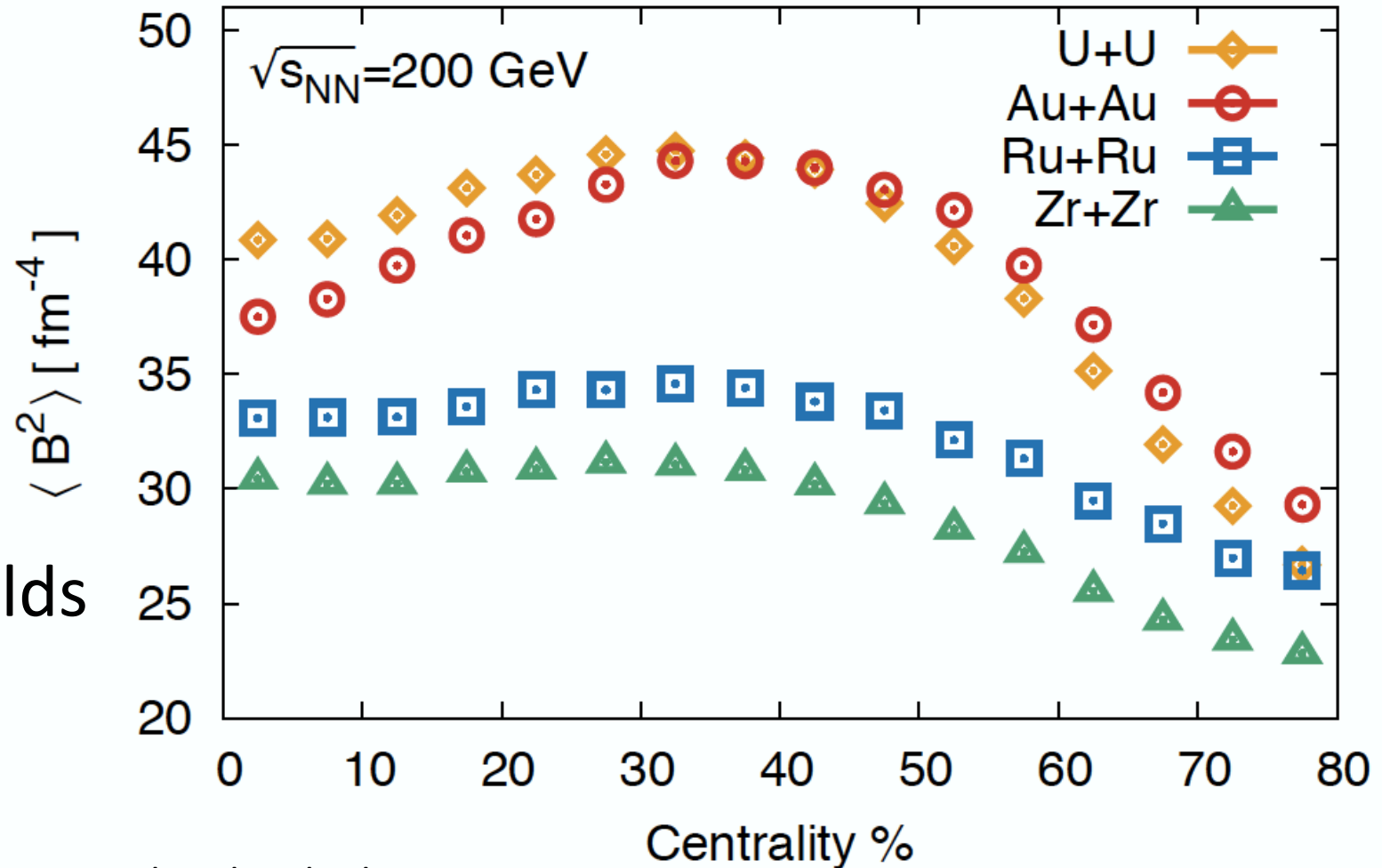


Resolving U+U vs Au+Au puzzle

Peripheral U+U larger Z
More photon flux,
But more spread-out
weaker field at center

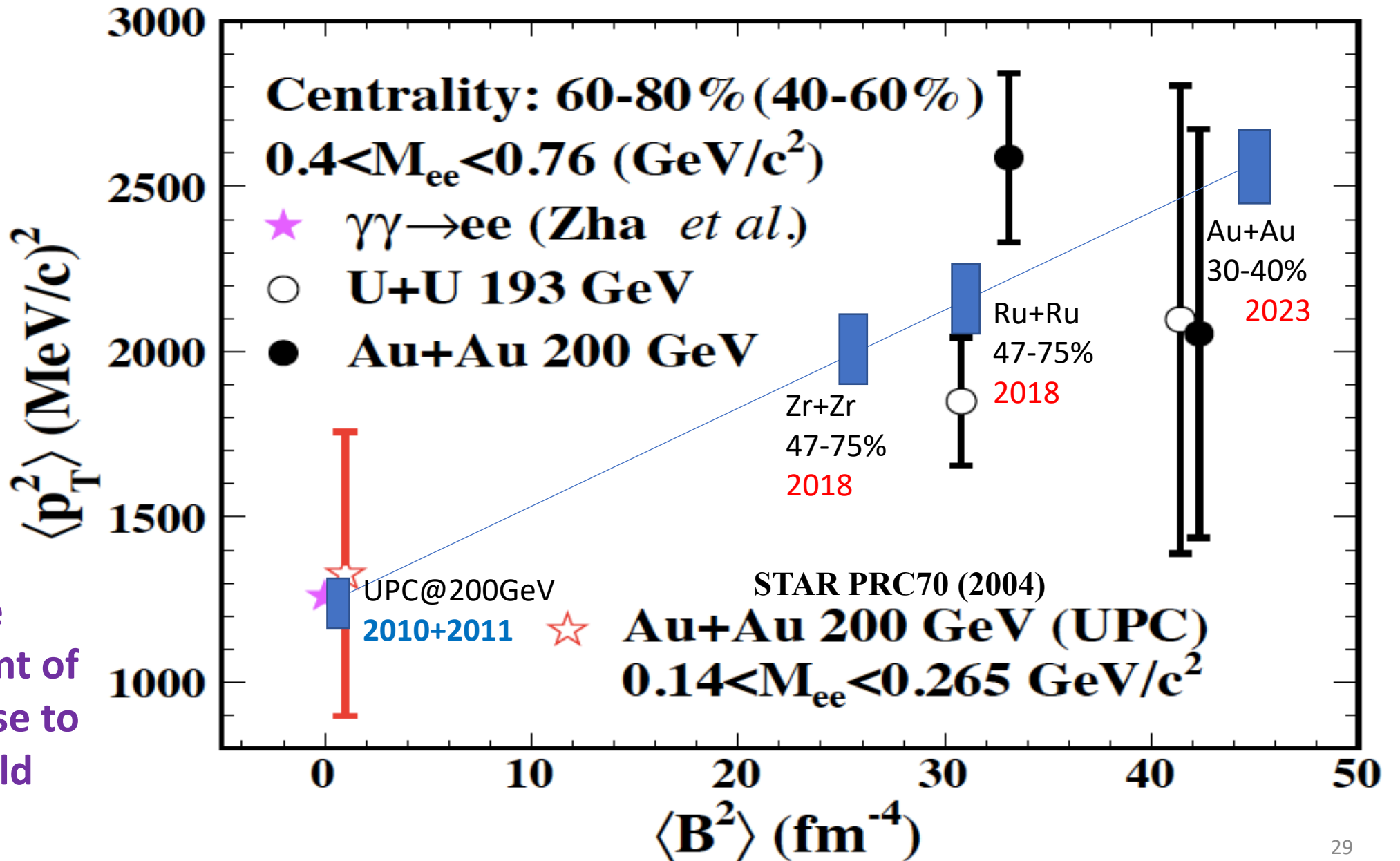


- Higher dielectron yields
- Lower $\langle p_T^2 \rangle$



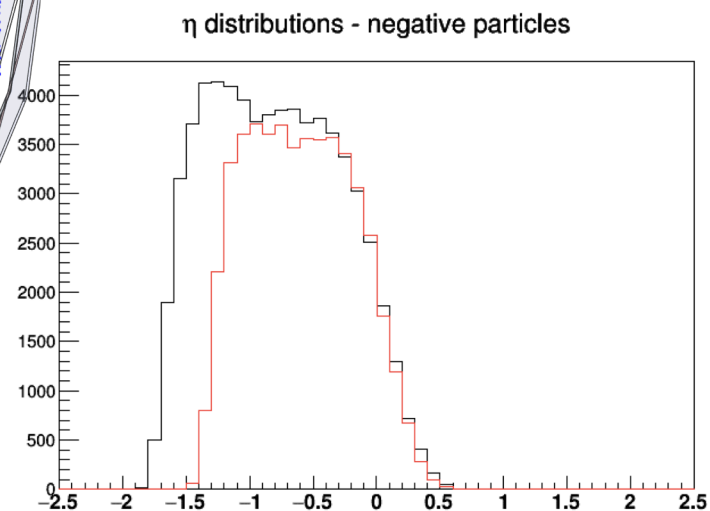
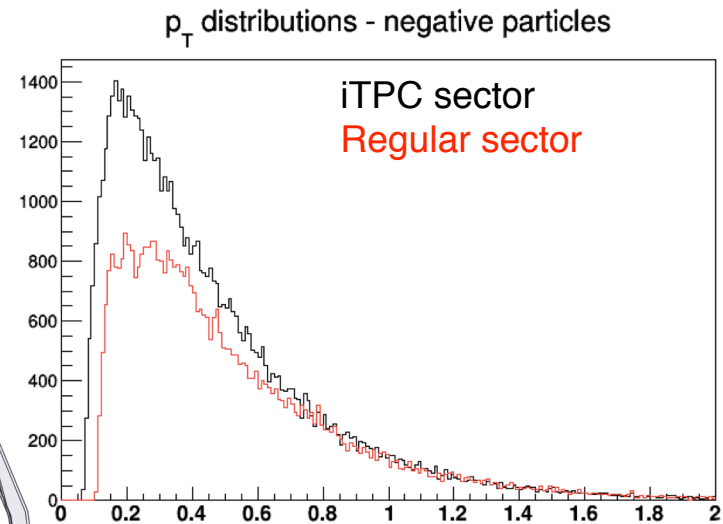
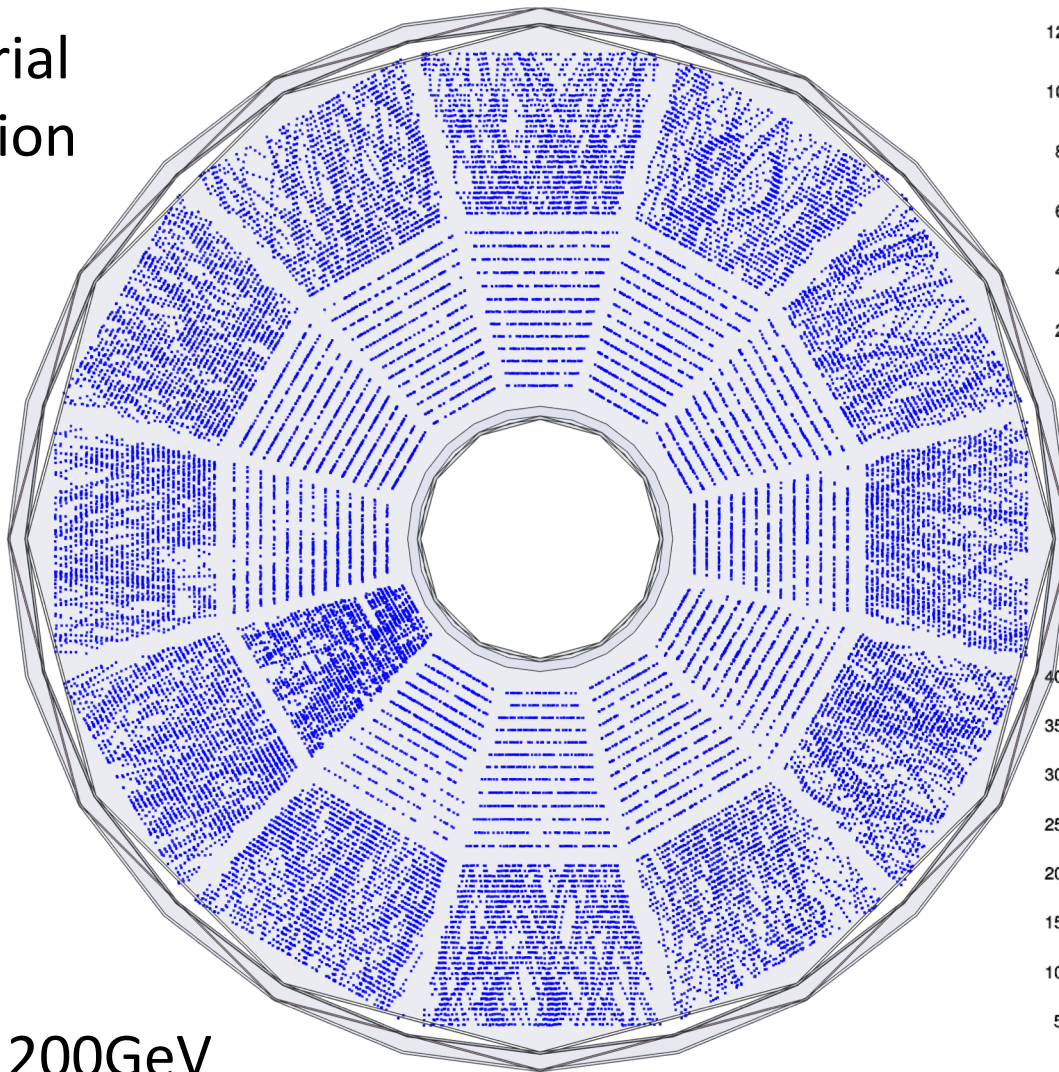
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Why 2023 and STAR@RHIC?

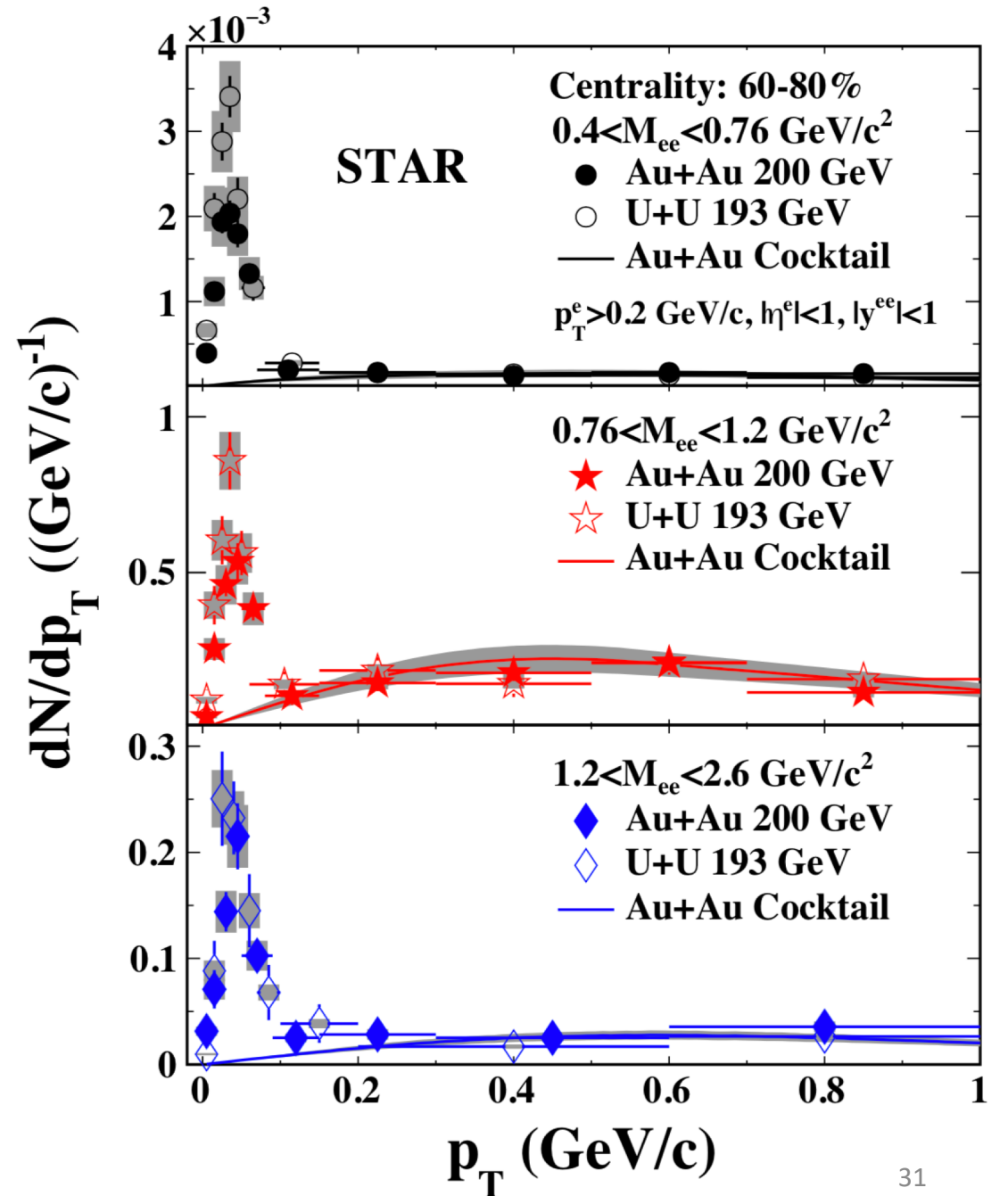
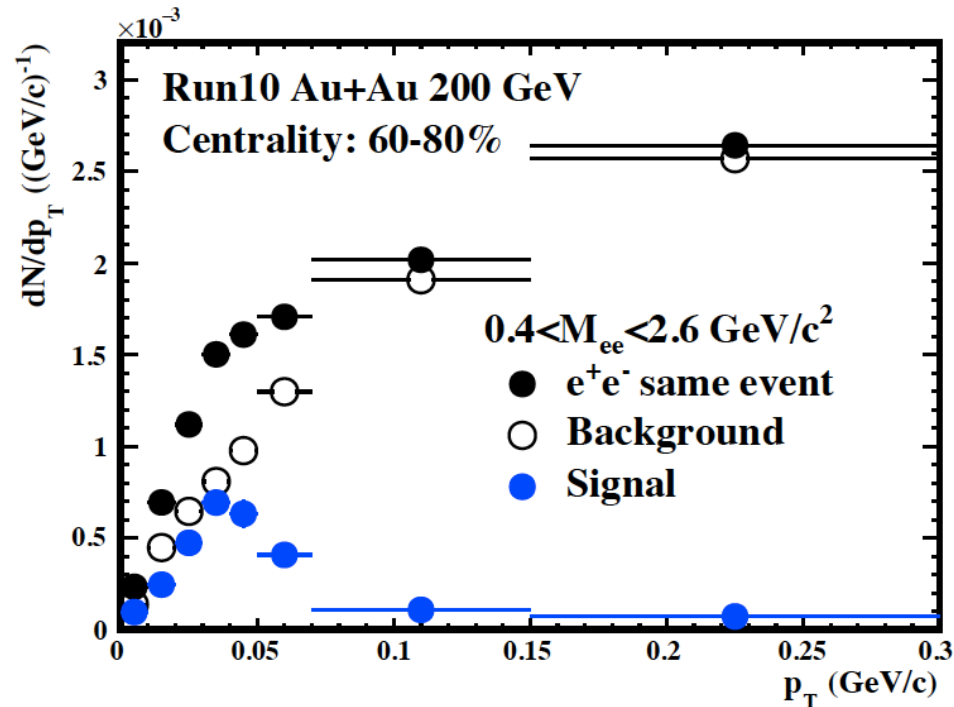
- Require low detector material background from γ conversion
run14-16 not usable
2010+2011 Au+Au @ 200
- Require excellent electron identification
TPC dE/dx and TOF
- Low-momentum electrons
- Require large acceptance
- Heavy-Ion Collisions with various species at the right energies:
 $Z^4\gamma^2$
- Au+Au middle-centrality at 200GeV



Combinatorial background could be show-stopper

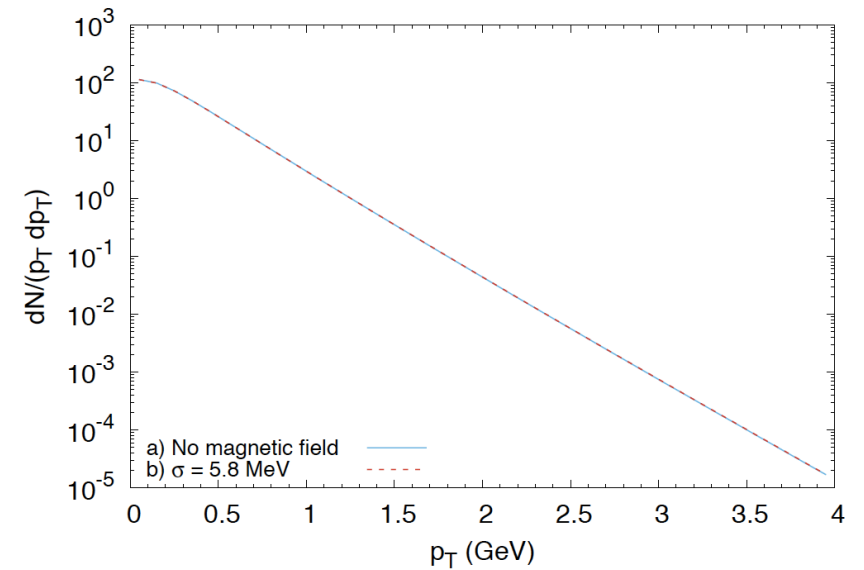
Linear Scale

- Combinatorial background is low at this range with STAR at 0.3% material budget
one layer of Silicon Tracker $\sim 1\%$
- After background subtraction, Signal-to-background ratio is about 17:1

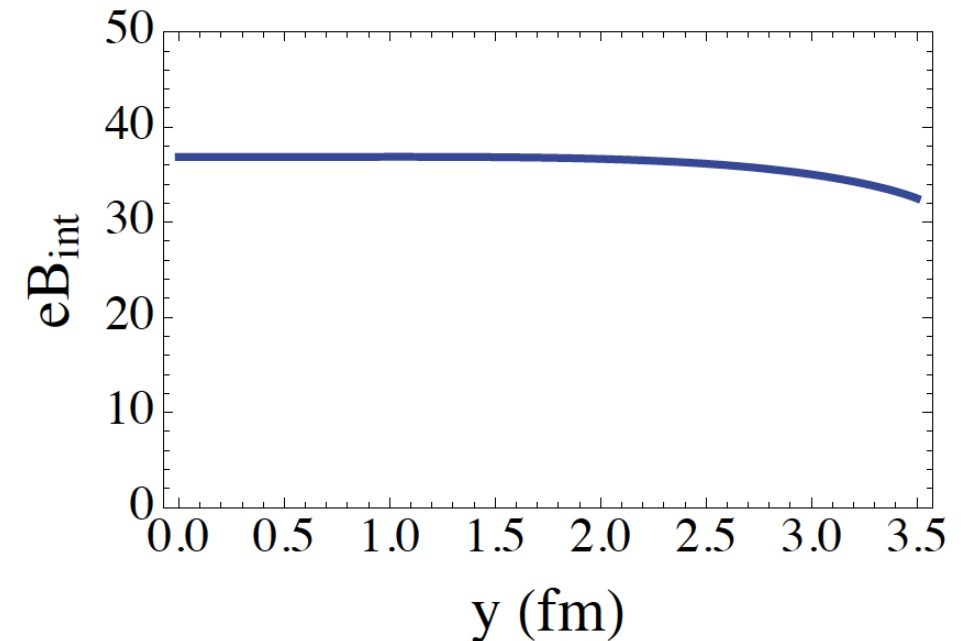


Why not other measurements?

- B field effect is at the level of 50MeV on momentum
- Most of hadrons $\langle p_T \rangle \sim 500\text{MeV} - 1\text{GeV}$
2% effect
 - Light hadron (pion+/-: v1 difference)
 - Charm v1
 - Lambda and anti-Lambda polarization difference



G. Inghirami et al., arXiv: 1609.03042



Asakawa, Majumder, Mueller, arXiv:1003.2436

Why dielectrons from photon collisions perfect probe of Magnetic field in QGP?

- From beginning to the end, ONLY Electromagnetic processes are involved
- Dielectron pairs are created from initial-state photon flux (virtuality $m^2 \sim 0.5-1\text{GeV}$, $0.2-0.5\text{fm}$, not too late)
- Magnetic field in Vacuum is “normalized” by the UPC collisions
- Well-defined initial photon-photon cross section independent of QCD
- EM force is long range (electrons can get kicked even outside of QGP)
- Spectra peaks at $p_T=30-50\text{MeV}$, right magnitude to be very sensitive to magnetic field
- Clean probe with unique characteristics

Outline

1. Hydrodynamics:

the low-energy Theory of Everything

2. The XXI century hydrodynamics motivated by RHIC:

a) quantum bounds on “conventional” transport coefficients

b) new transport phenomena of entirely quantum origin

3. The future of hydrodynamics and BNL experiments

Perspective

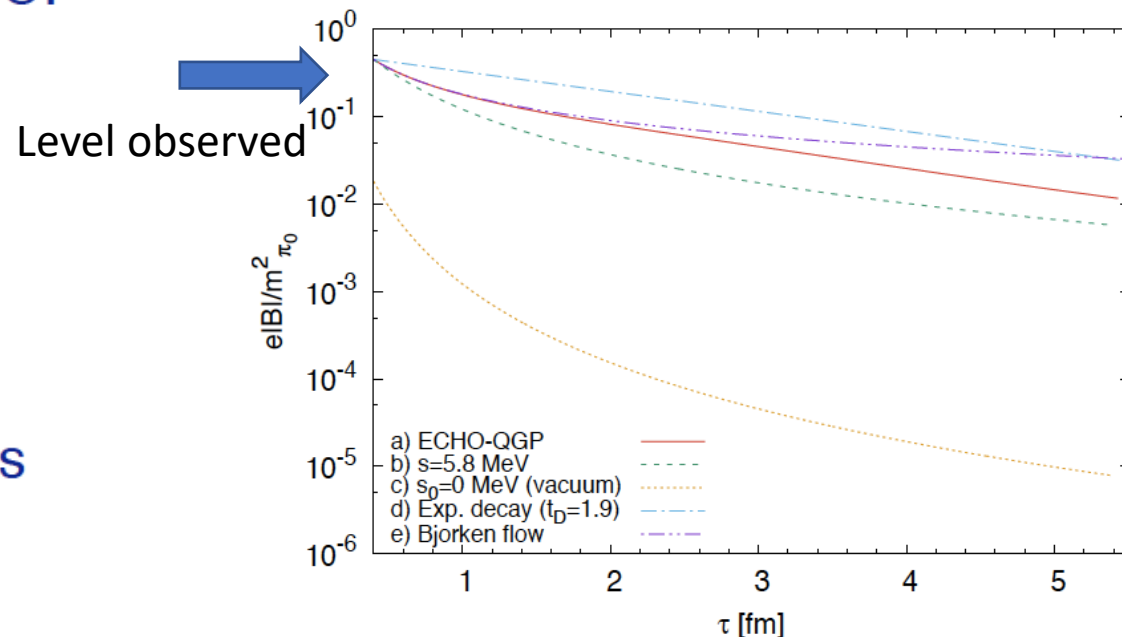
Quantum Fluid:

Highest temperature

Lowest viscosity/s

Most Vortical fluid

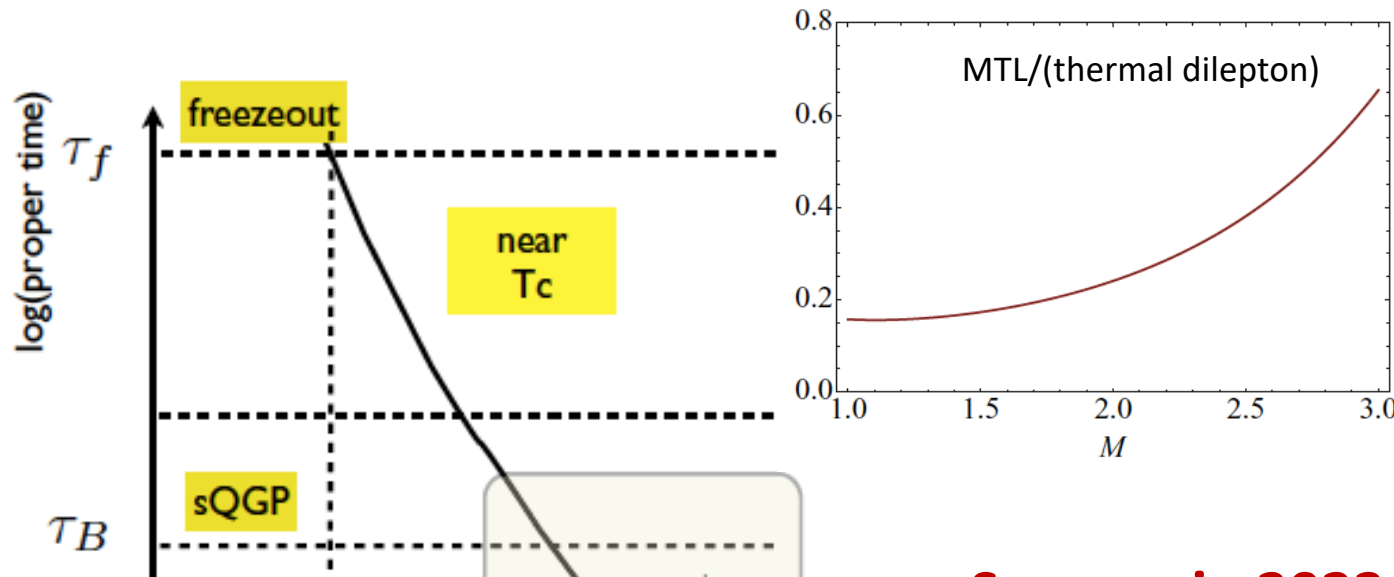
GOOD/best conductor?



Radical Ideas, crazy experiments?

Magneto-(sono)thermoluminescence ($\propto B \cdot V$)

BAŞAR, KHARZEEV, AND SHURYAK



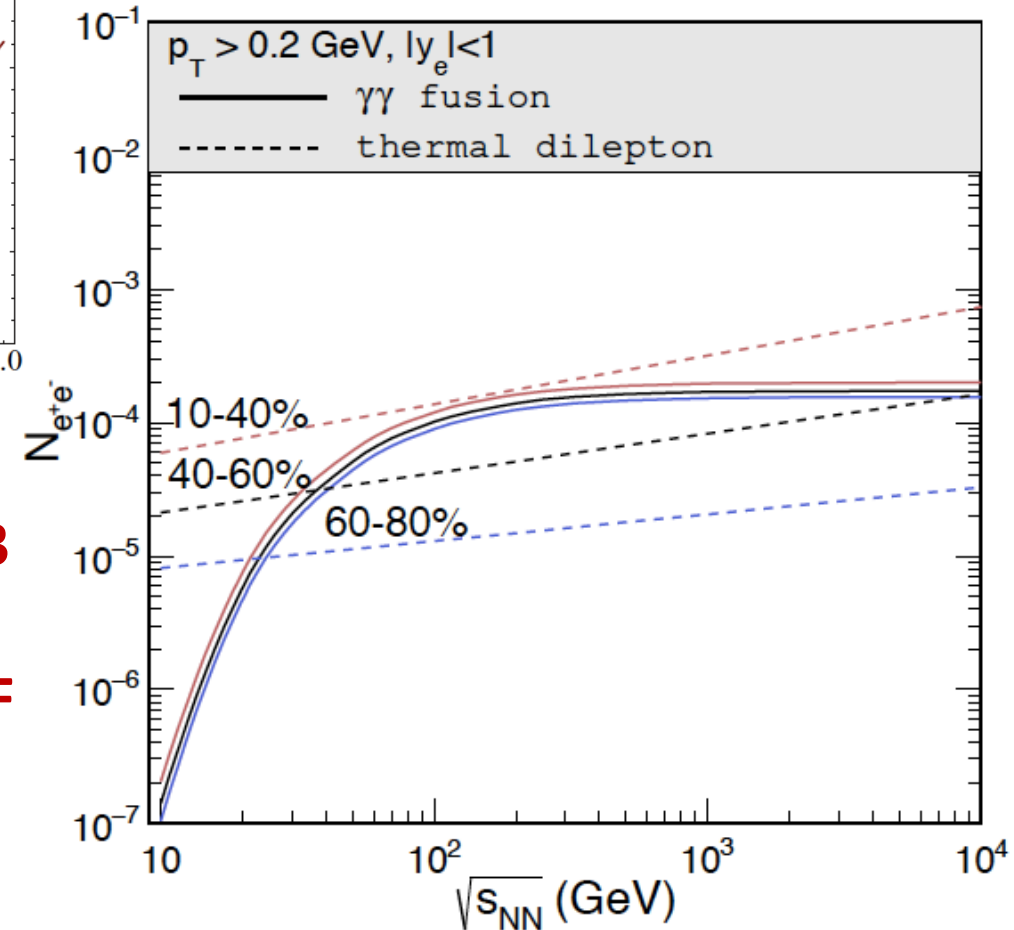
Experimental studies of the dilepton production in this kinematics have *not* been performed so far. For example, the standard setting of the PHENIX detector magnetic field at RHIC at present simply cuts off these dileptons, observing only dielectrons with $q^\perp > 100$ MeV or so. At the boundary

See you in 2023
Au+Au
iTPC+EPD+eTOF

For these reasons, the evaluation of the MTL rate is at present of purely academic interest, and we will not go further into a detailed study of the the diagram (b), or of the multiple

arXiv:1809.07049

Klusek-Gawenda, Rapp, Schaefer, Szczurek



2021+: Science case

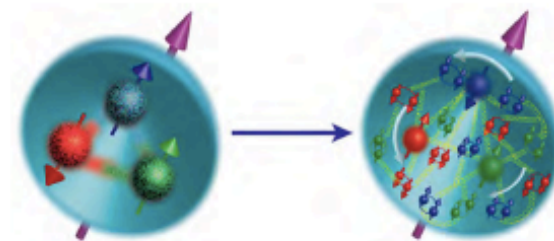


Unique program addressing fundamental questions in QCD - strongly endorsed by PAC

Exploits mid-rapidity upgrades from BES-II and new forward detectors

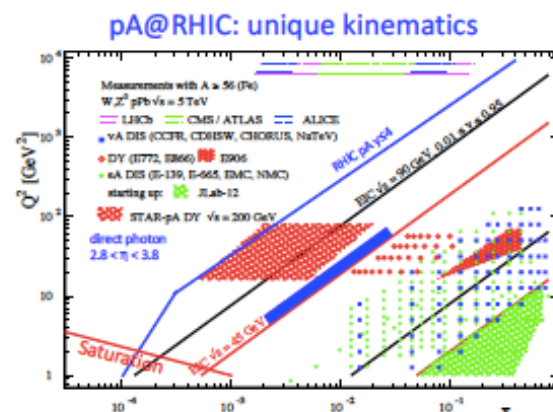
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3-dim. characterization of proton
in momentum and spatial coordinates



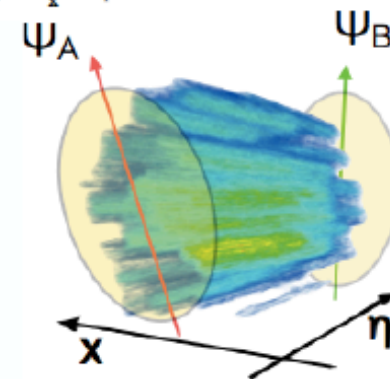
p+A

Nature of initial state and hadronization
in nuclear collisions
Onset and A-dependence of saturation



A+A

Longitudinal medium characterization
Precision flow measurements via long
range correlations
QGP response to B field via low- p_T
dielectrons
Rapidity dependence of Global Polarization



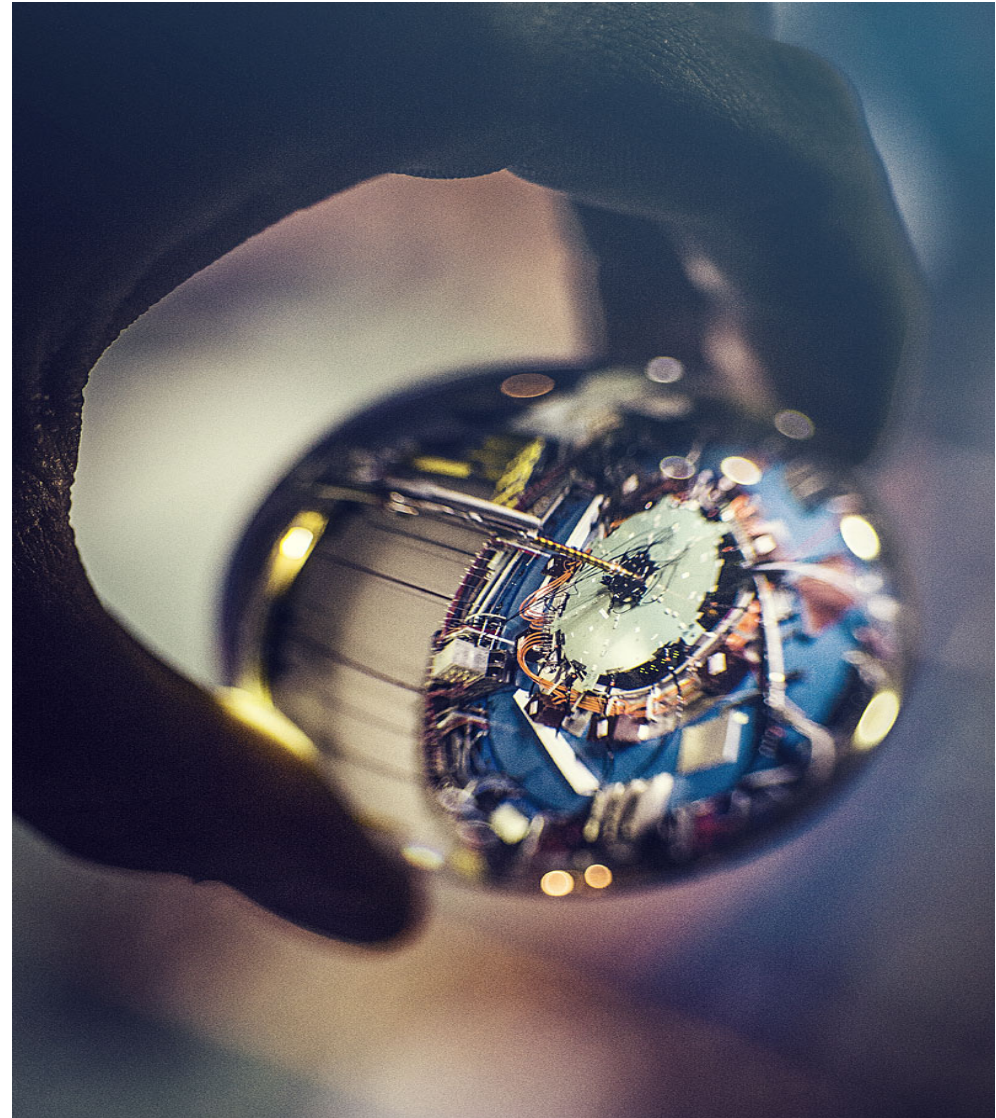
Essential input to RHIC's cold **and** hot QCD programs
and realizing the scientific promise of the EIC

Solenoidal Tracker at RHIC

Artistic rusty representation of past and present



Crystal Ball prediction of future (literately)



Still an indispensable discovery detector

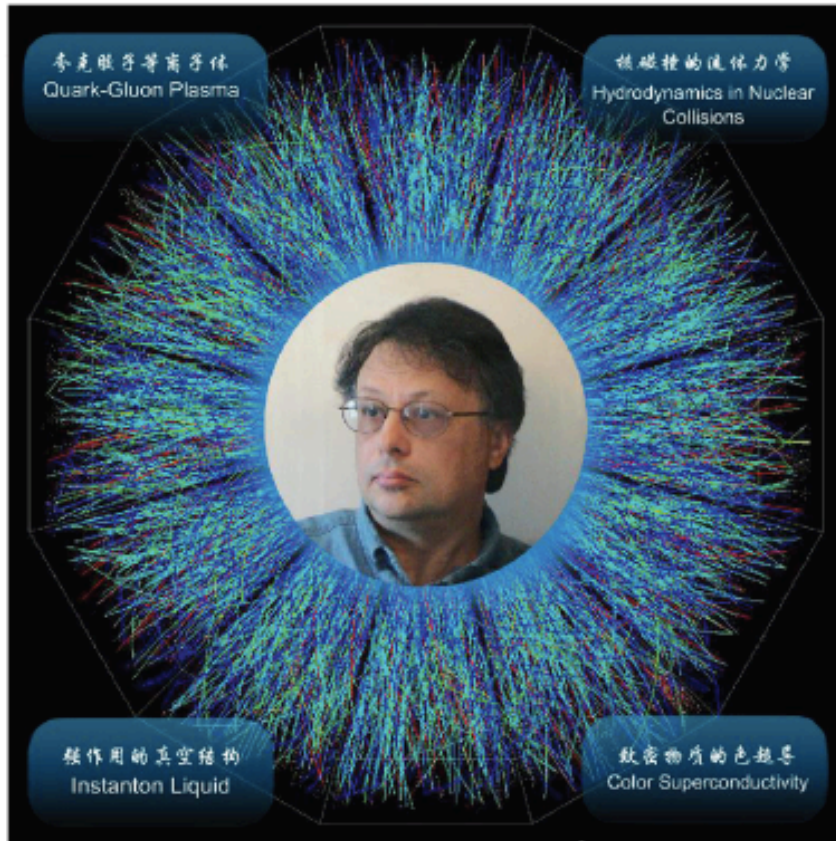
QUARK-GLUON PLASMA AND HADRONIC PRODUCTION
OF LEPTONS, PHOTONS AND PIONS

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QCD calculations of the production rate in a quark-gluon plasma and account of the space-time picture of hadronic collisions lead to estimates of the dilepton mass spectrum, p_T distributions of e^+ , e^- , γ , π^+ , π^- , production cross sections of charm and pions.



Thermal dilepton radiation at intermediate masses at the CERN-SpS

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We investigate the significance of thermal dilepton radiation in the intermediate-mass region in heavy-ion reactions at CERN-SpS energies. Within a thermal fireball model for the space-time evolution, the radiation from hot matter is found to dominate over hard 'background' processes (Drell-Yan and open charm) up to invariant masses of about 2 GeV, with a moderate fraction emerging from early stages with temperatures $T \approx 175$ –200 MeV associated with deconfined matter.

arXiv:1005.3531, unpublished

Production of soft e^+e^- Pairs in Heavy Ion Collisions at RHIC by Semi-coherent Two Photon Processes

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Magneto-sonoluminescence and its signatures in photon and dilepton production in relativistic heavy ion collisions

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Among the phenomena that we study are magneto-sonoluminescence [MSL, the interaction of magnetic field $\vec{B}(x,t)$ with the sound perturbations of the stress tensor $\delta T_{\mu\nu}(x,t)$] and magneto-thermoluminescence [MTL, the interaction of $\vec{B}(x,t)$ with smooth average $\langle T_{\mu\nu} \rangle$]. We calculate the rates of these process and find that they can dominate the photon and dilepton production at early stages of heavy ion collisions. We also point out the characteristic signatures of MSL and MTL that can be used to establish their presence and to diagnose the produced matter.

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Higher order QED correction

G. Baur et al. Phys. Report 364 (2002) 359
arXiv:0112211

(f) May be different in UPC and peripheral

**Low invariant mass ($\sim < 1\text{GeV}$), large formation time
middle rapidity**

$$\gamma + \gamma \rightarrow e^+ + e^- + \gamma.$$

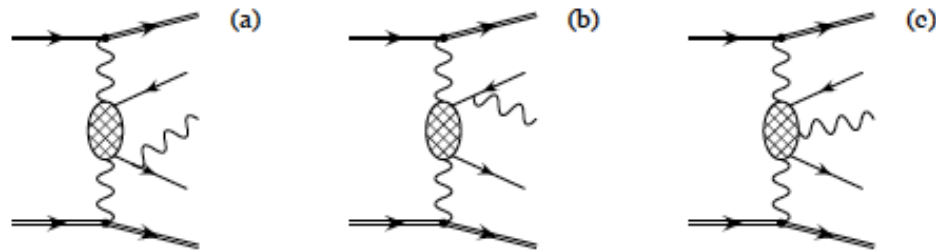


Fig. 34. Emission of a bremsstrahlung photon from pairs produced electromagnetically. Process (a) and (b) are dominant in the infrared regime. For the calculation either the IR approximation together with a full calculation of the pair production was used or a full calculation of all three diagrams together with photon spectra from double equivalent photon approximation (DEPA). Similar diagrams, where the photon line is attached to the ions are generally small due to the heavy mass of the ions. They are neglected here.

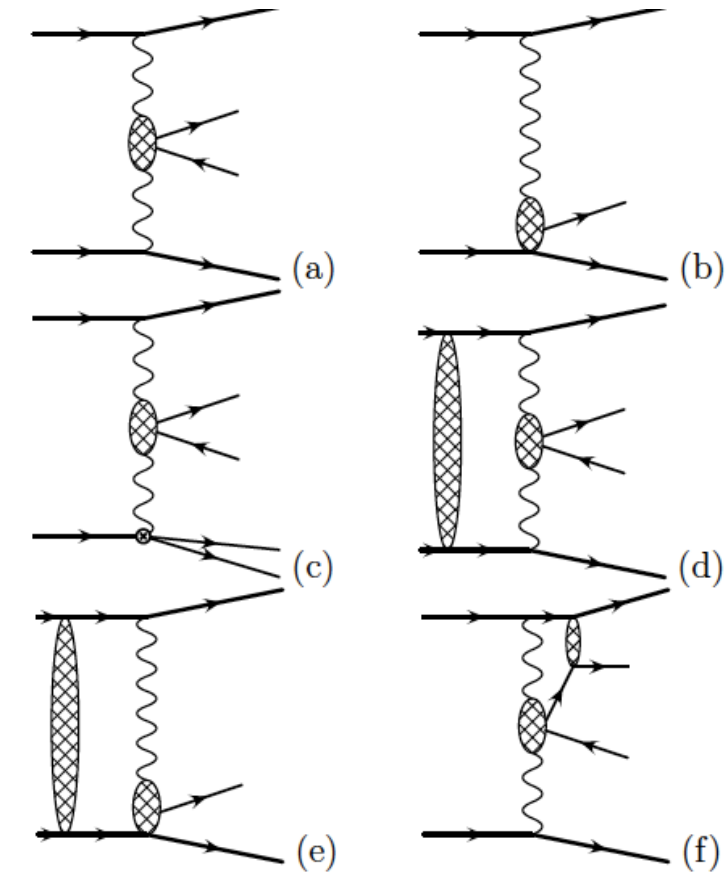


Fig. 3. In the collision of either leptons with hadrons or hadrons with hadrons photon-photon (a) and photon-hadron collisions (b) can be studied. The principal diagrams are shown schematically here. In the collisions of hadrons additional effects need to be taken into account: inelastic photon emission processes (c), “initial state interaction” (d) and (e), as well as final state interaction (f).