



High p_T at RHIC: Highlights.

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QGP & CGC search @ RHIC in the high p_T sector

➔ “QCD vacuum” reference results – **p+p @ 200 GeV**

NEW

1. Inclusive hadron spectra: $Ed^3\sigma/d^3p$

2. Jet properties ($dN_{\text{pair}}/d\phi$): $\langle j_T \rangle$, $\langle k_T \rangle$

*Comparison to
pQCD (NLO) expectations*

➔ “Hot QCD medium” highlights – **central Au+Au @ 200, 62 GeV**

1. **Suppressed** hadron spectra: dN/dp_T

\sqrt{s} , p_T , centrality dependence

2. **Suppressed di-jet** correlations ($dN_{\text{pair}}/d\phi$)
reaction-plane dependence, low p_T assoc. correlations ...

*Comparison to
QGP expectations
("jet quenching" & "q recomb.")*

3. **Baryon "anomalies"** @ intermediate p_T
enhanced dN/dp_T and v_2 , jet-like $dN_{\text{pair}}/d\phi$

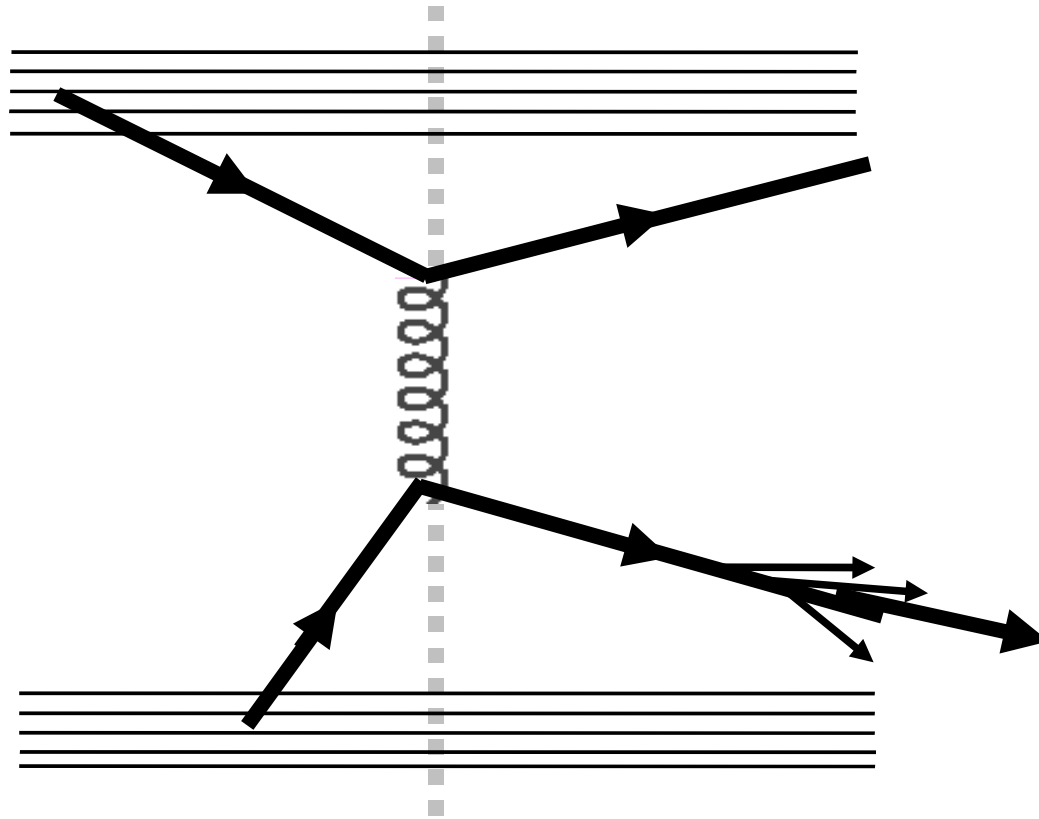
➔ “Cold QCD medium” highlights – **d+Au @ 200 GeV**

1. Inclusive hadron dN/dp_T **enhancement** at $y \leq 0$

2. Inclusive hadron dN/dp_T **suppression** at $y \geq 1$

*Comparison to
"Color-Glass-Condensate"
expectations*

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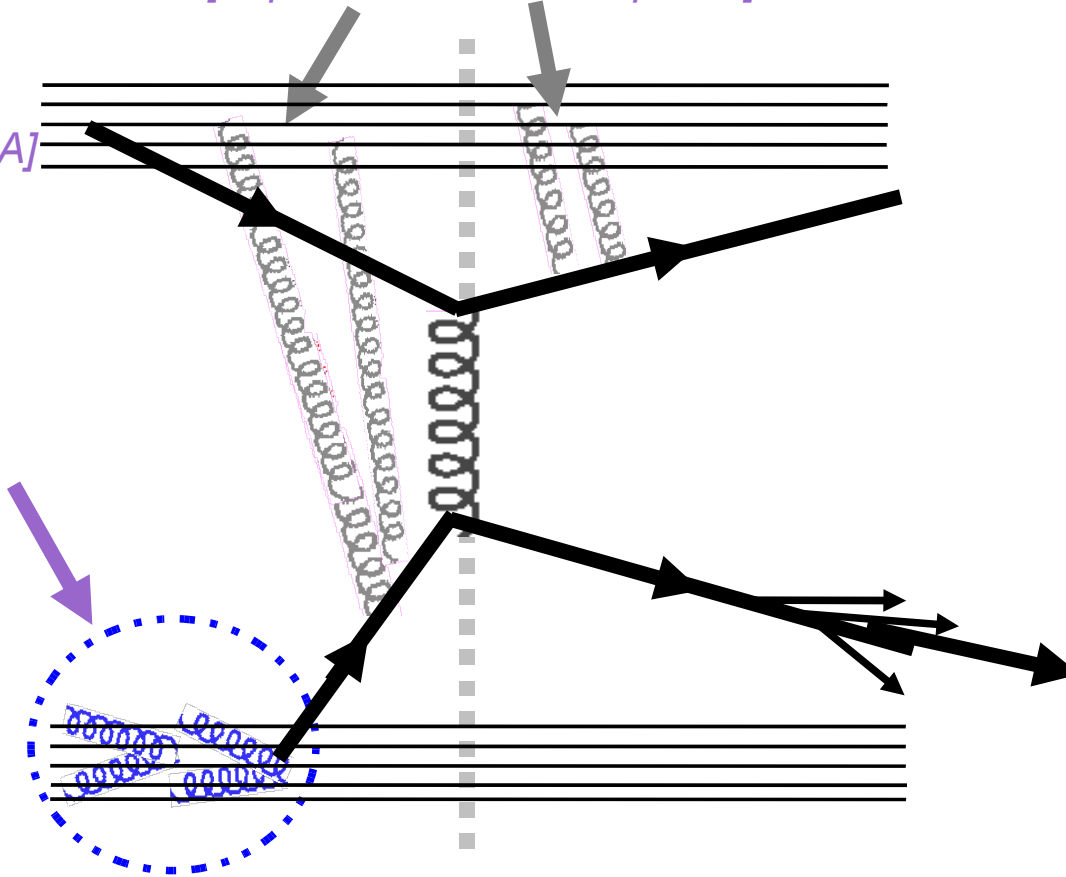
p_T broadening
(Cronin enhancement)

[Experimental handle: $p, d+A$]

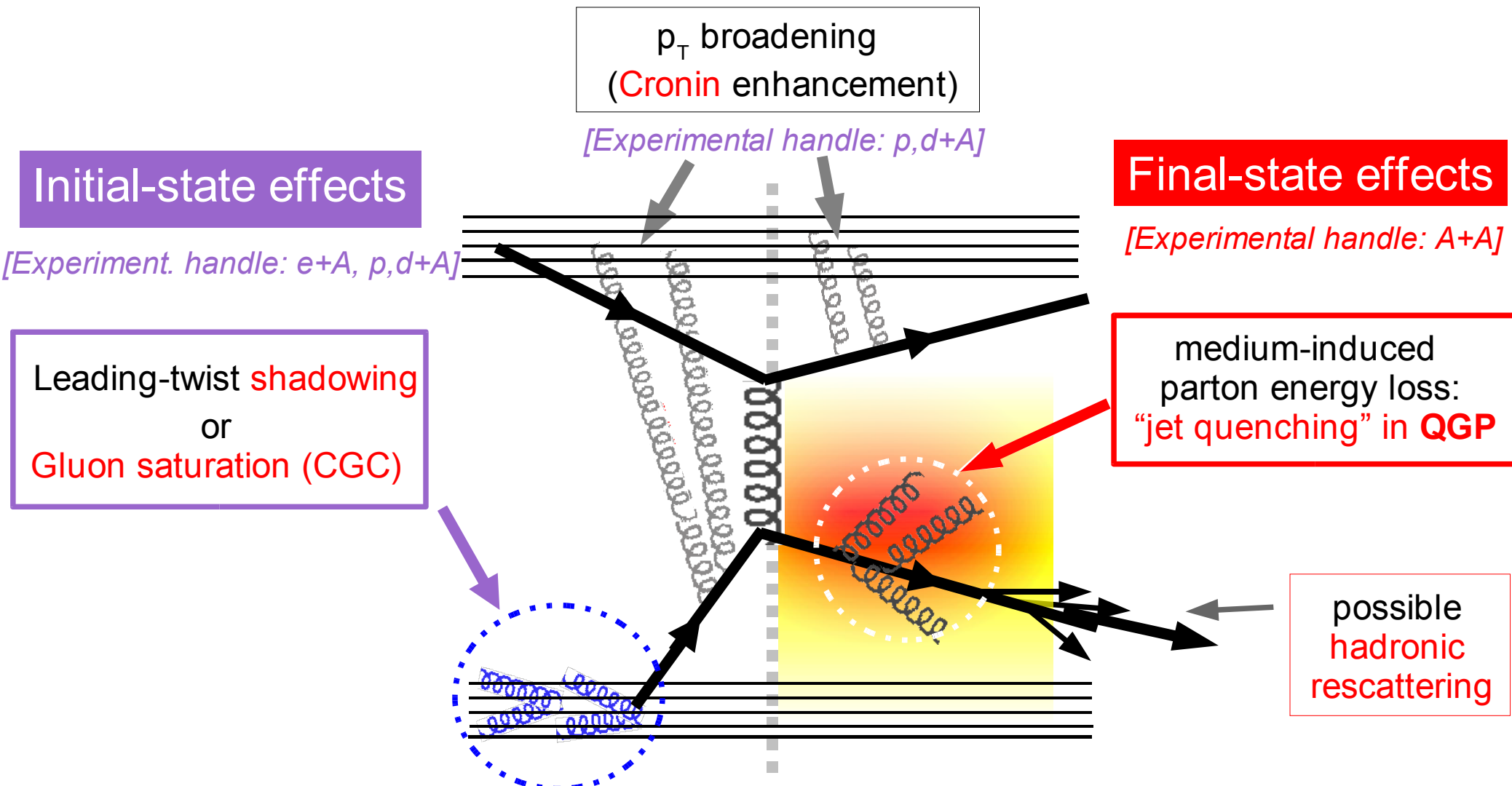
Initial-state effects

[Experiment. handle: $e+A, p, d+A$]

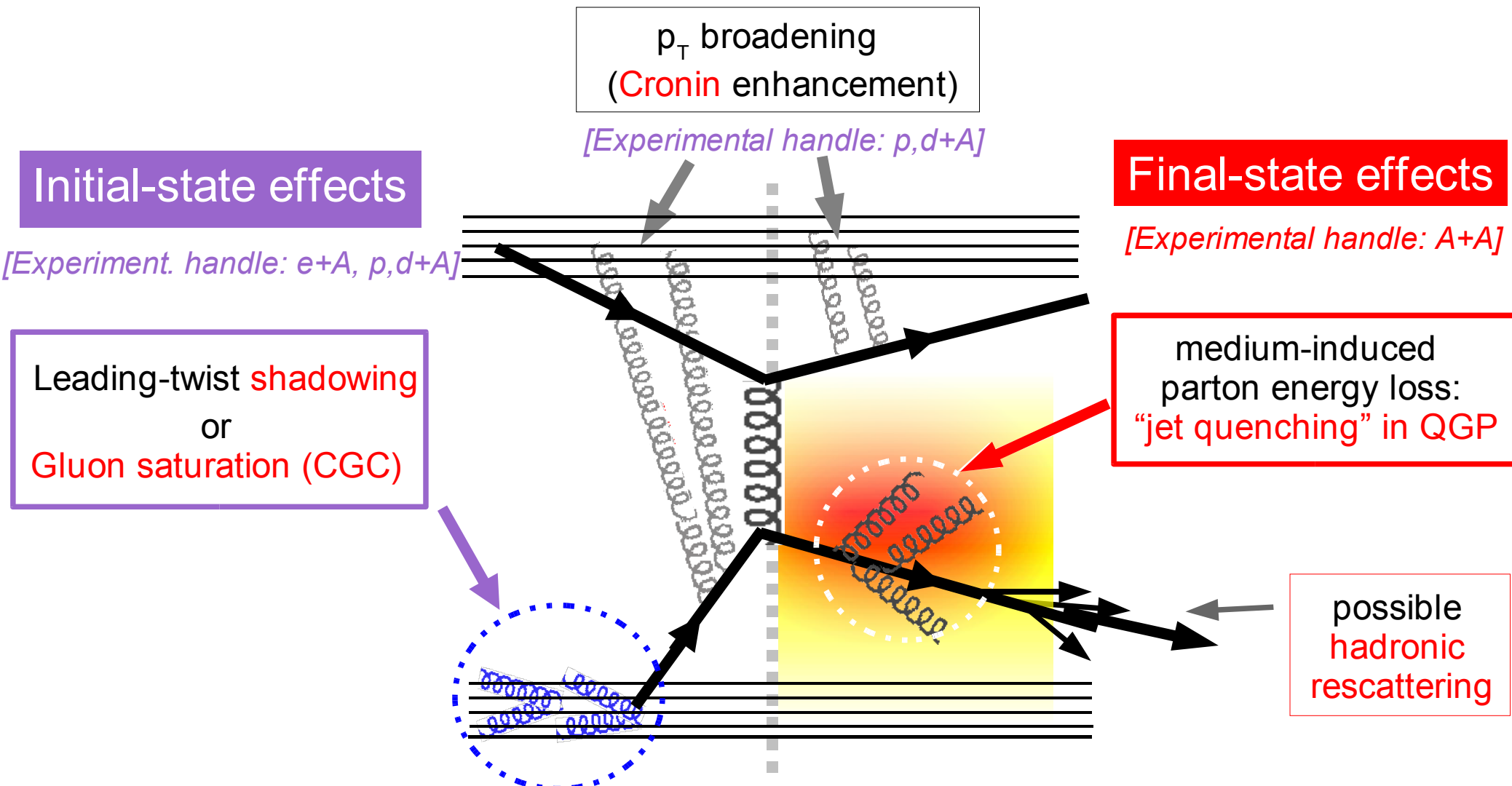
Leading-twist shadowing
or
Gluon saturation (CGC)



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- Approach: Study modifications (dN/dp_T , particle composition, $dN_{pair}/d\phi$, ...) of high p_T in A+A with respect to p+p, d+A to learn about QCD many-body dynamics:
 - "Quark Gluon Plasma" (final-state A+A) and/or
 - "Color Glass Condensate" (initial-state A).

Part I:

p+p @ 200 GeV

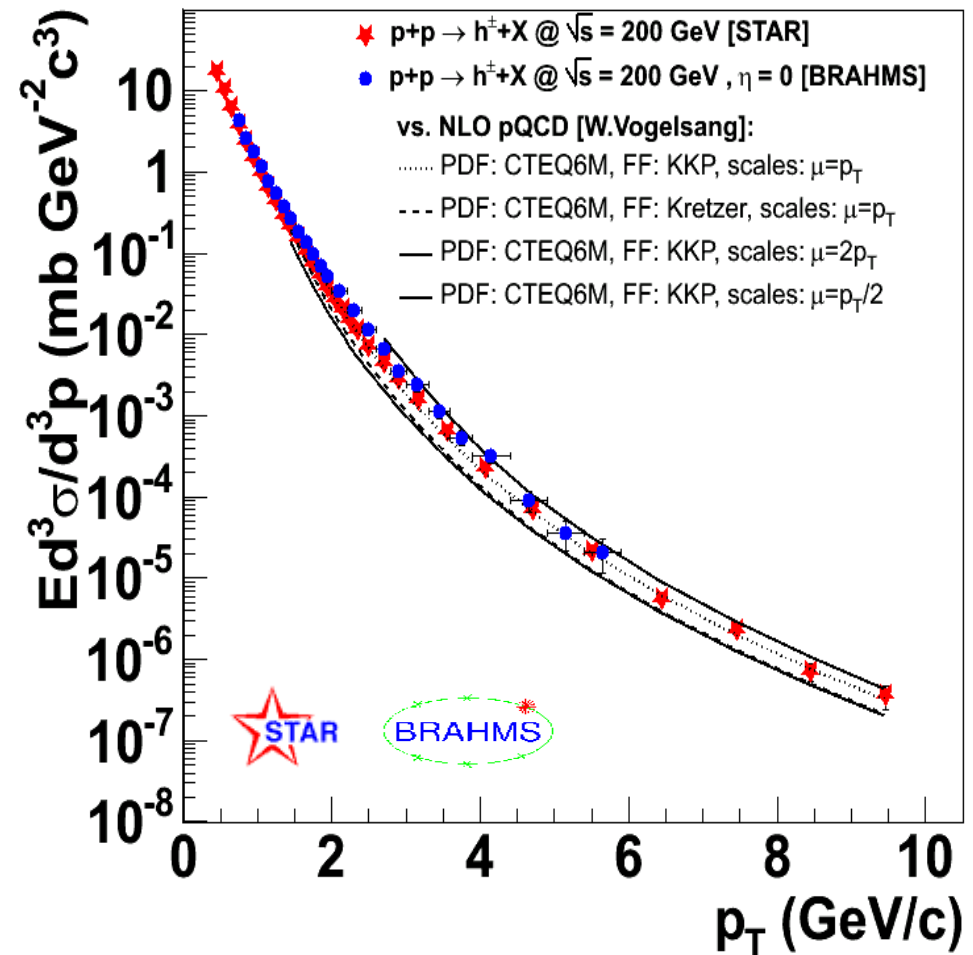
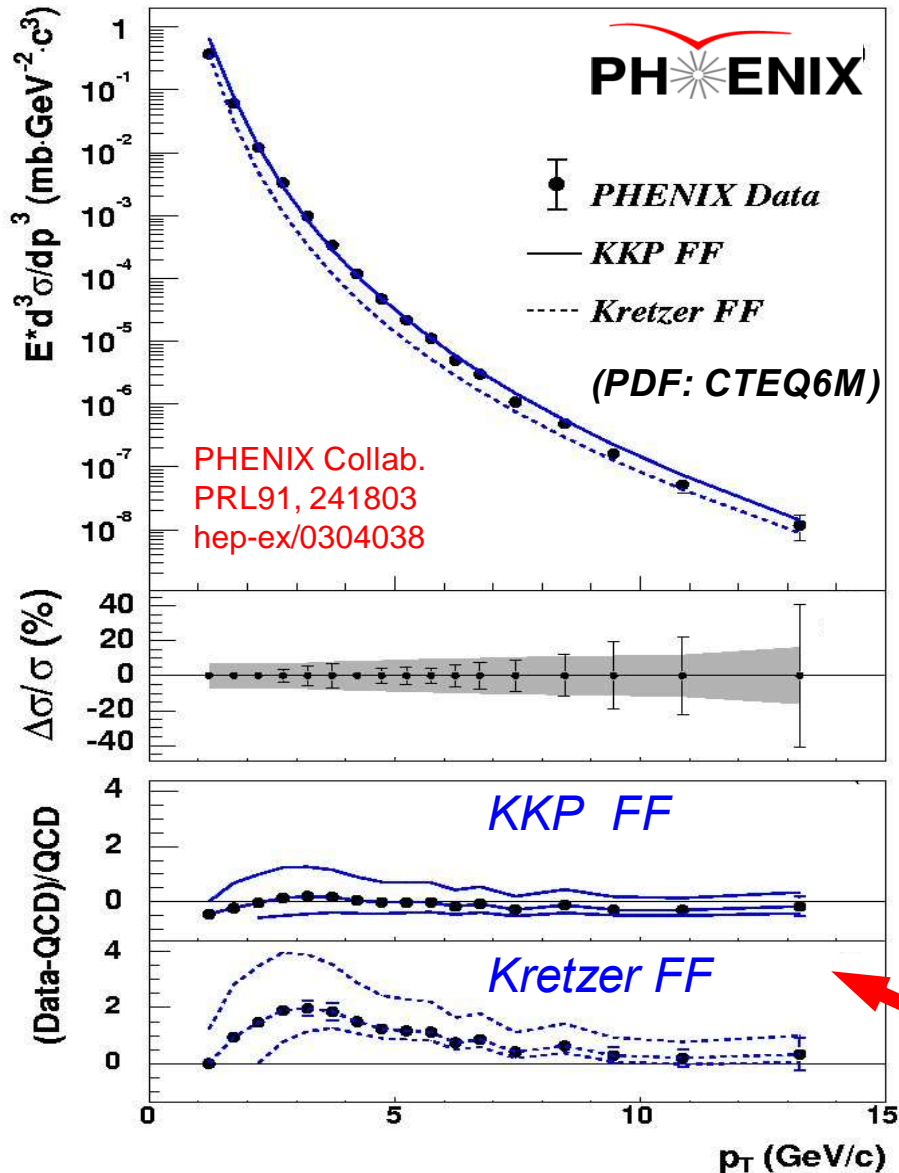
“Calibrating” the QCD vacuum

p+p @ 200 GeV: "baseline" spectra

- Good theoretical (NLO pQCD) description ...

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$$p+p \rightarrow h^\pm X \text{ (non singly diffractive)}$$



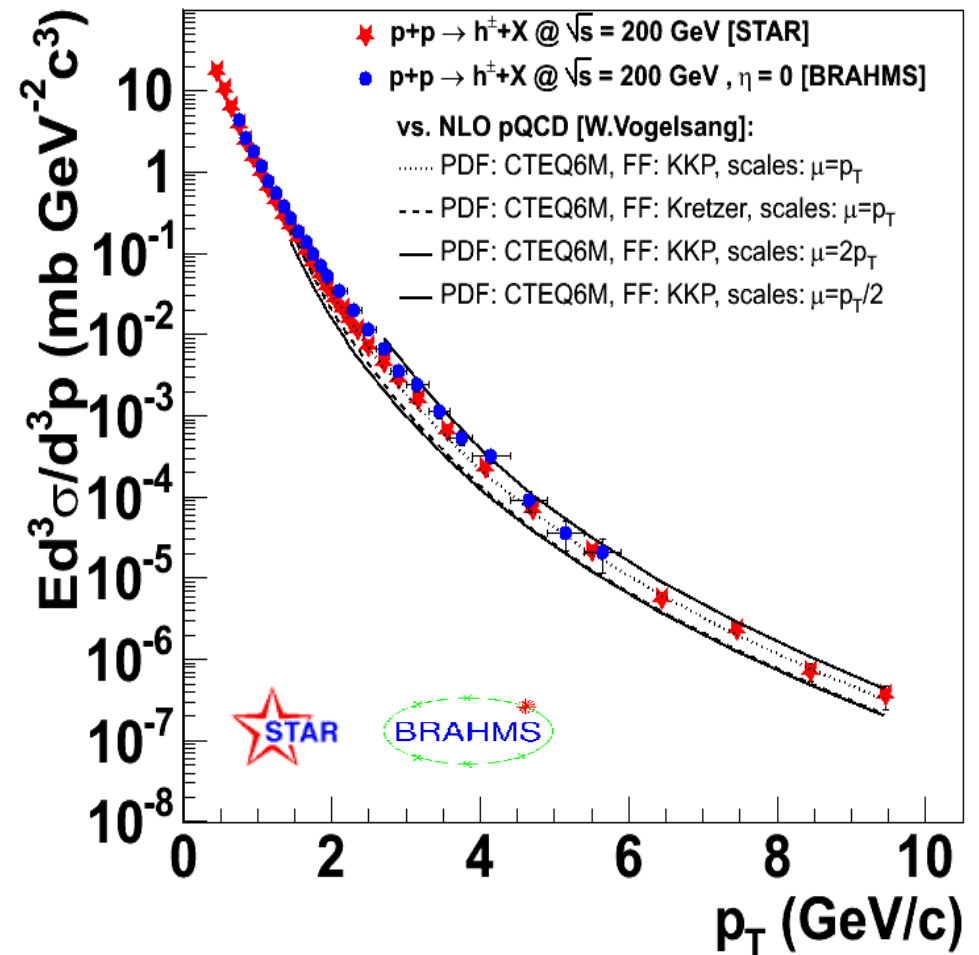
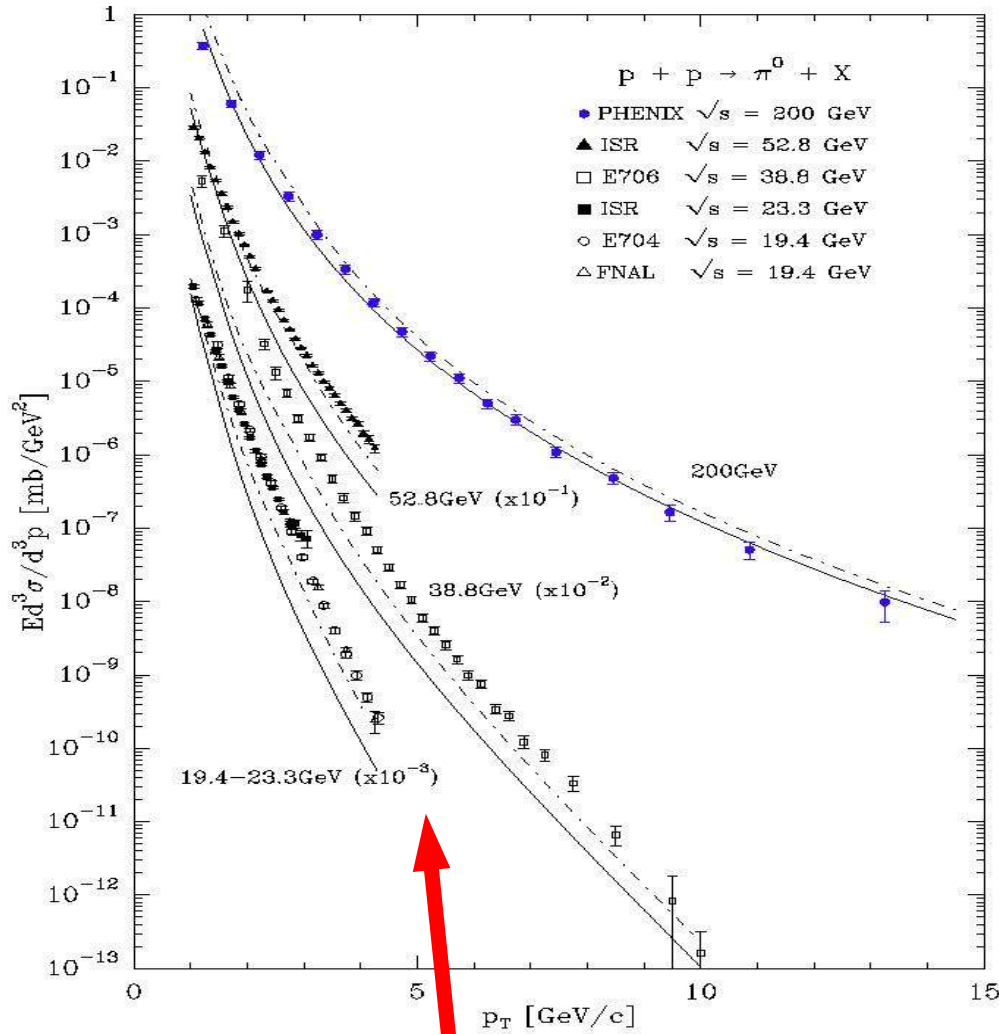
- High quality data: sensitive to different parametrizations of gluon FF

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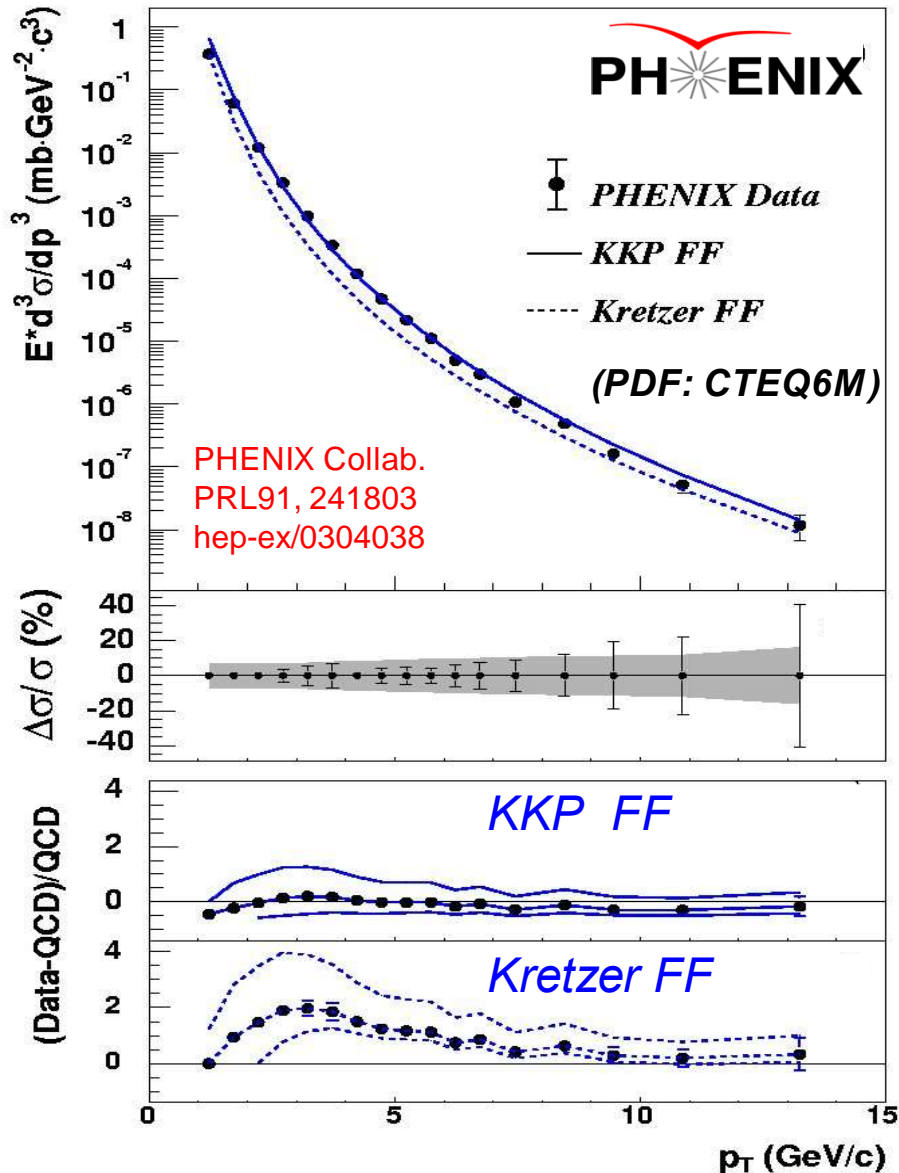


... at variance with lower \sqrt{s} results (factors of $\sim 2-4$ discrepancy):
non-perturbative effects (intrinsic k_T), partly cured by NLL soft g resummation

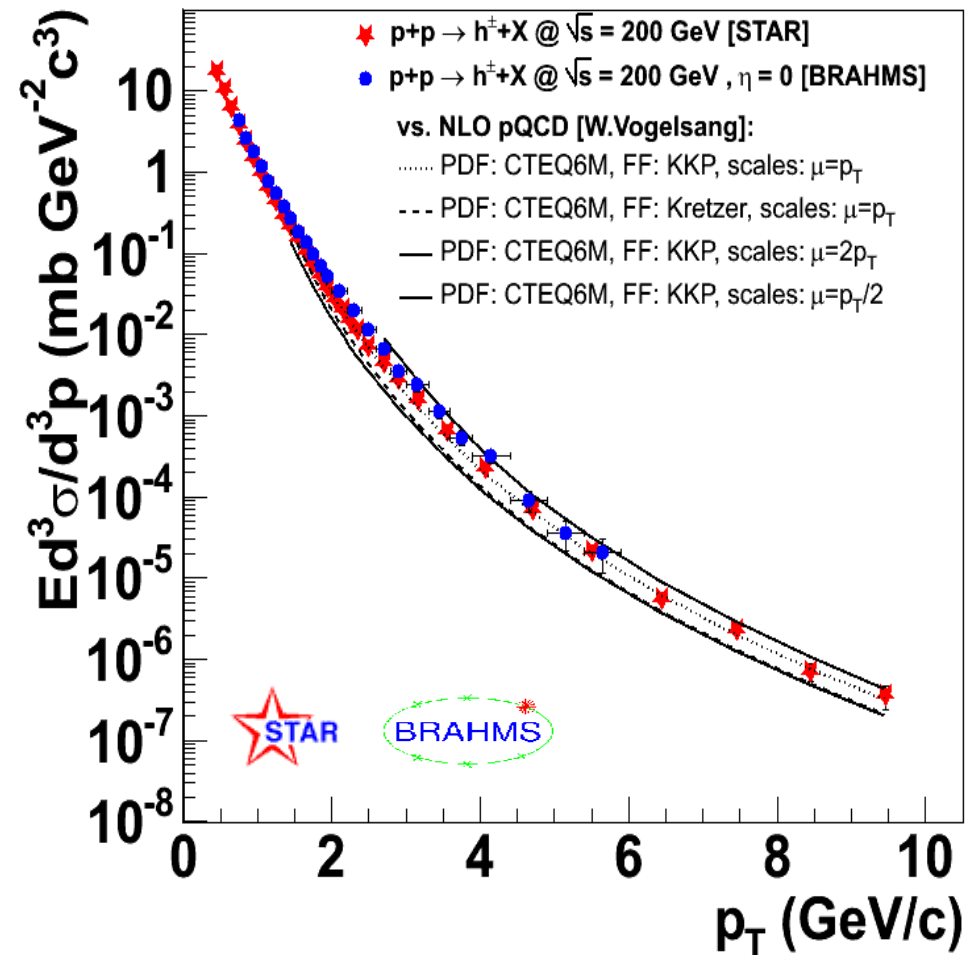
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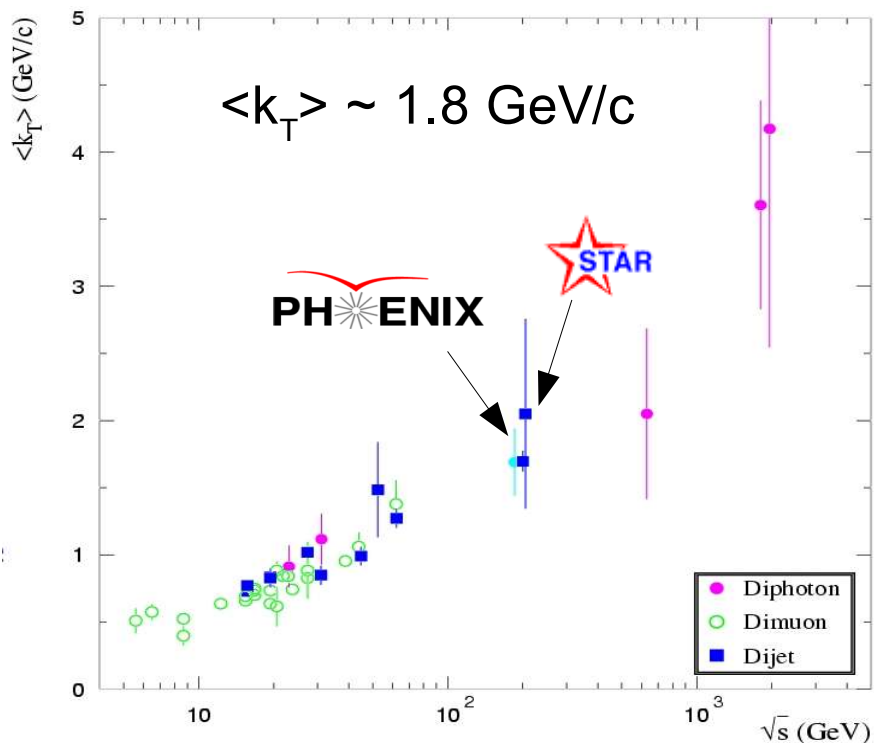
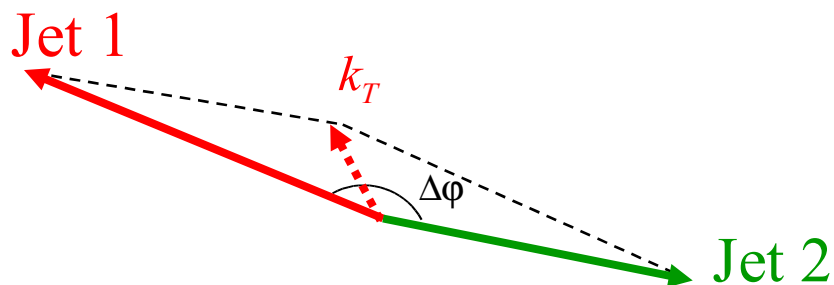
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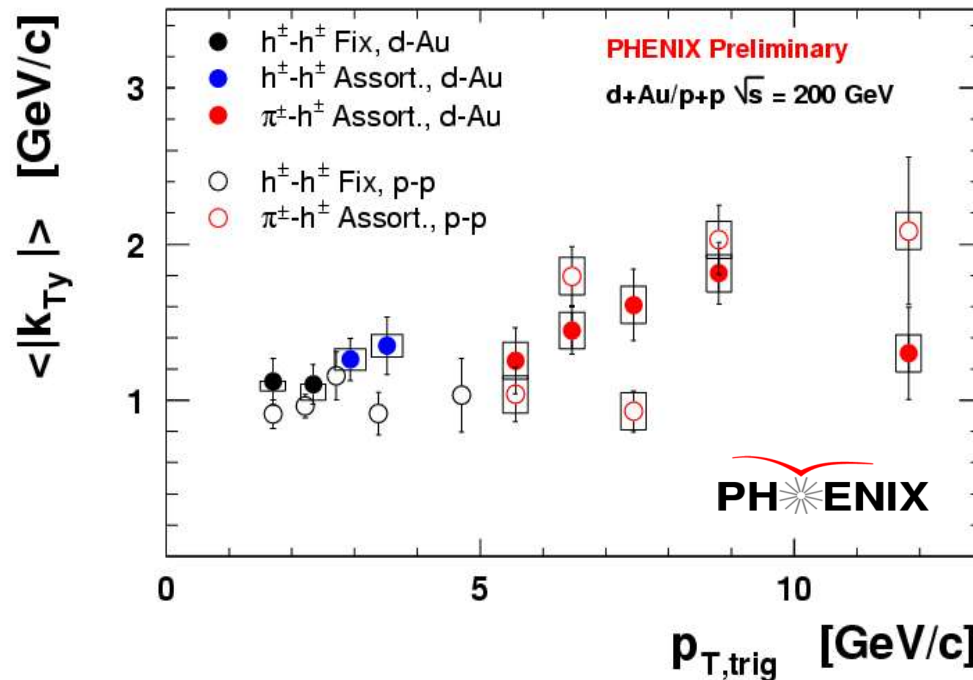
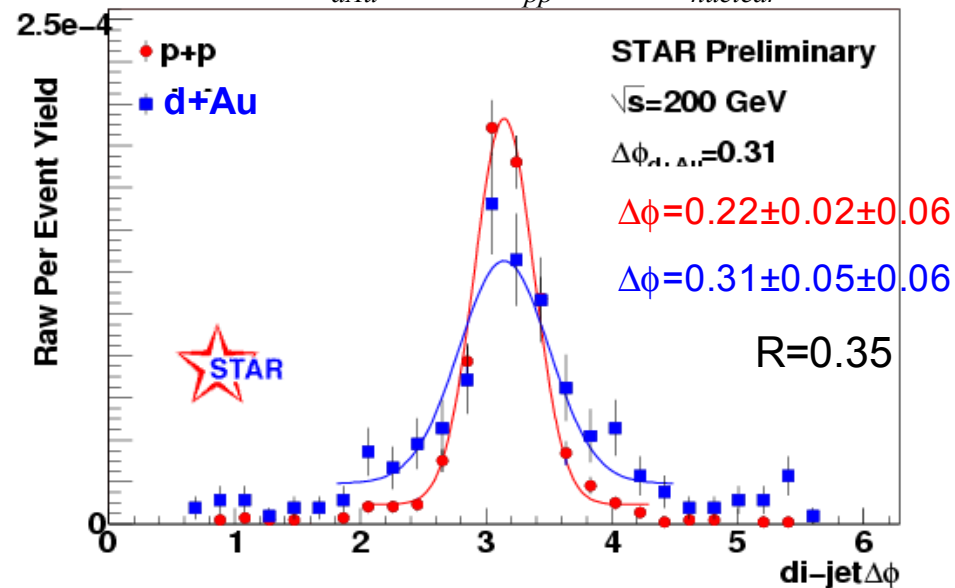
- Well calibrated (experimentally & theoretically) p+p references at hand !

p+p @ 200 GeV: jet properties (I)

Intrinsic k_T (di-jet acoplanarity):

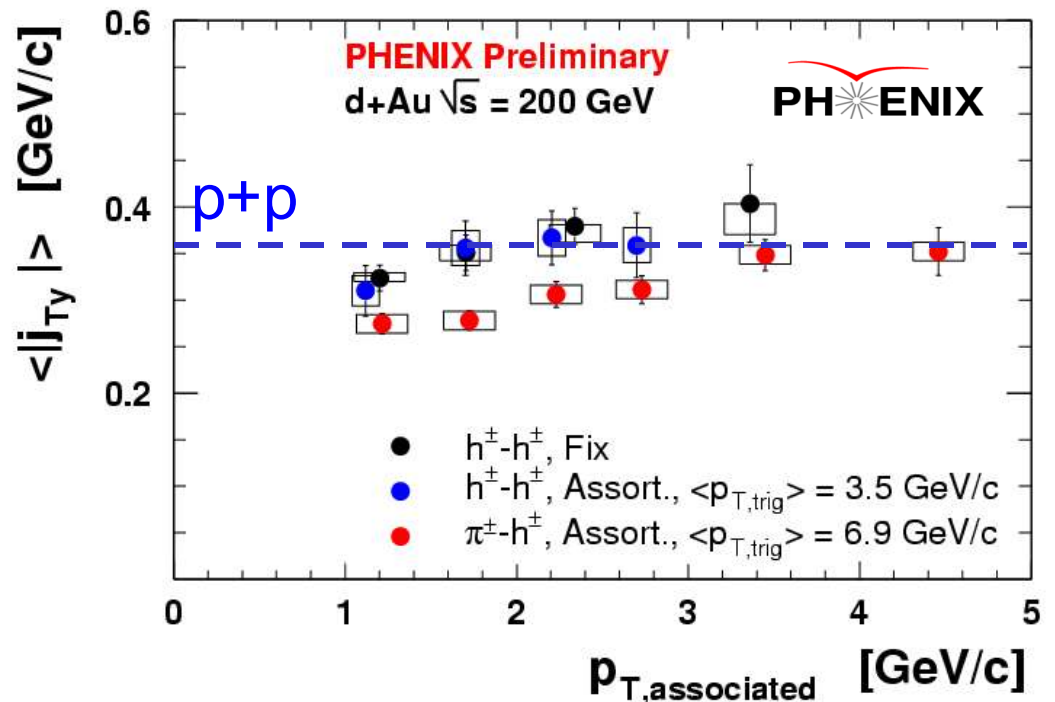
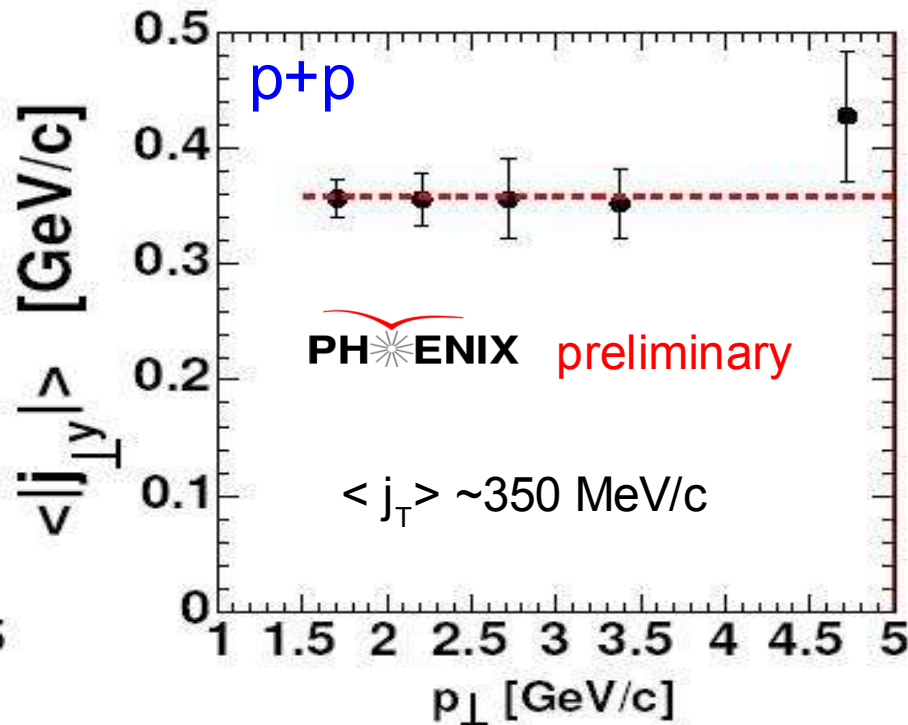
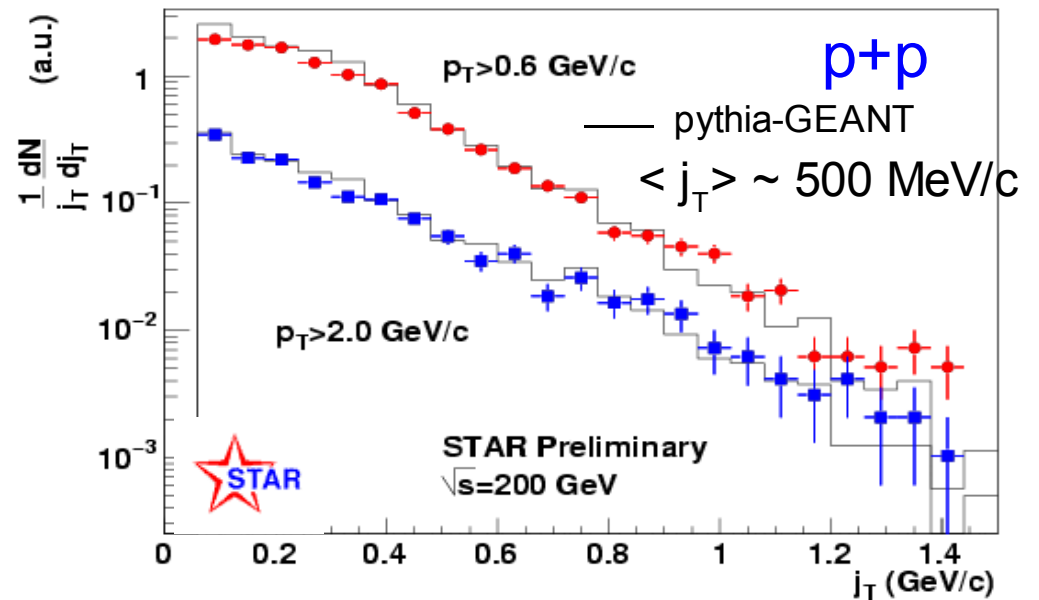
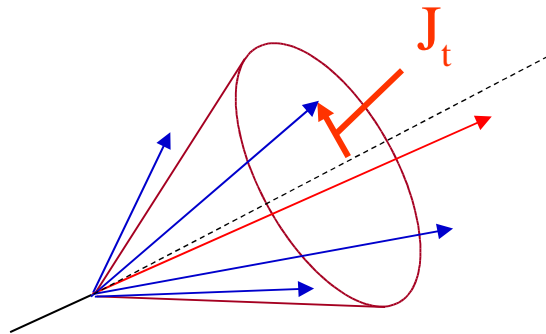


$$\langle k_T^2 \rangle_{dAu} \equiv \langle k_T^2 \rangle_{pp} + \langle k_T^2 \rangle_{nuclear}$$



p+p @ 200 GeV: jet properties (II)

● Jet “width” j_T :

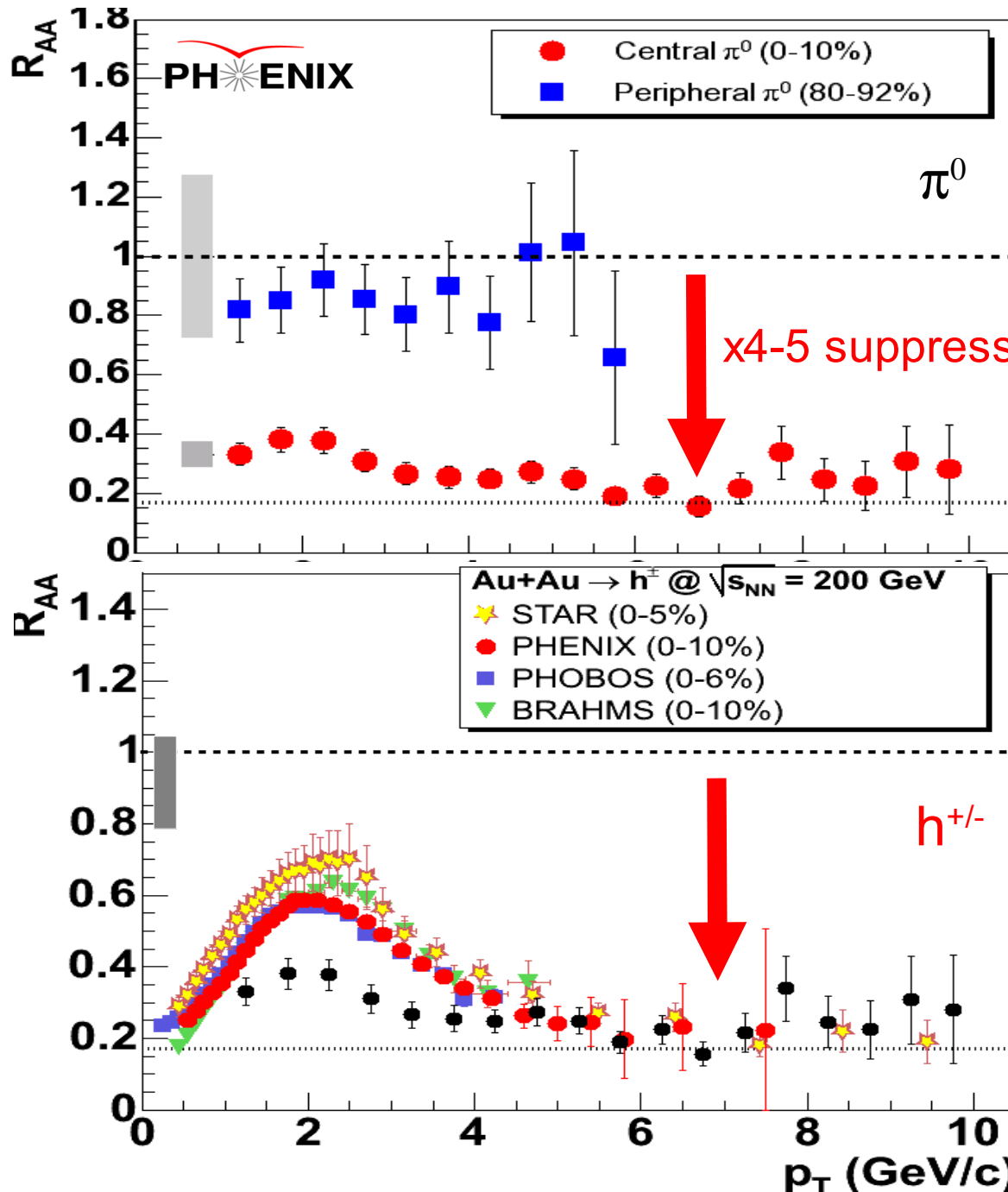


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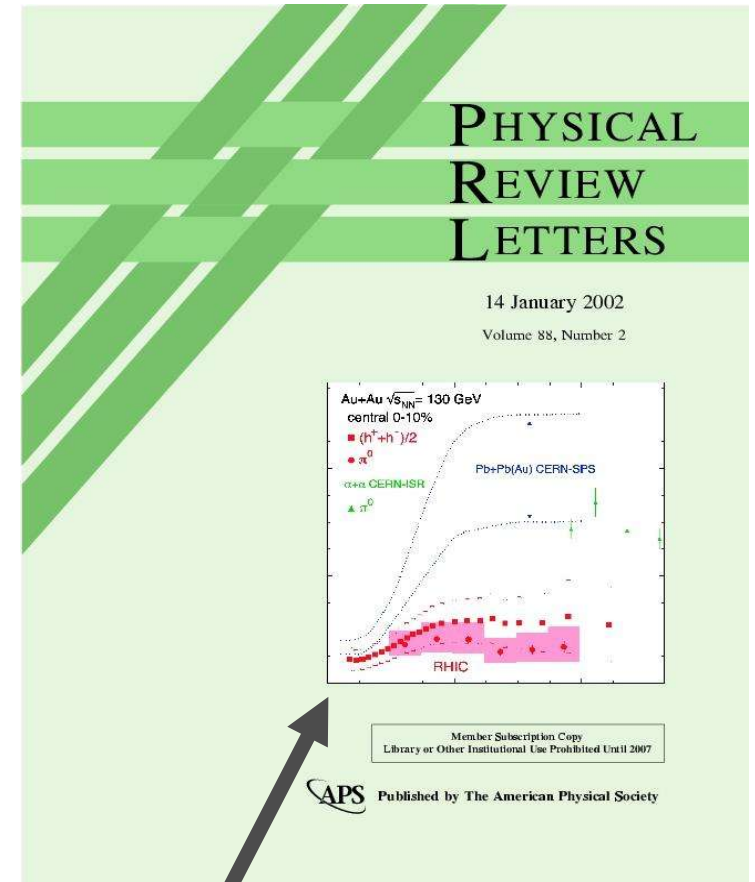
Au+Au @ 200 GeV

**Probing the hot & dense
QCD medium**

Au+Au @ 200 GeV (central): suppression !

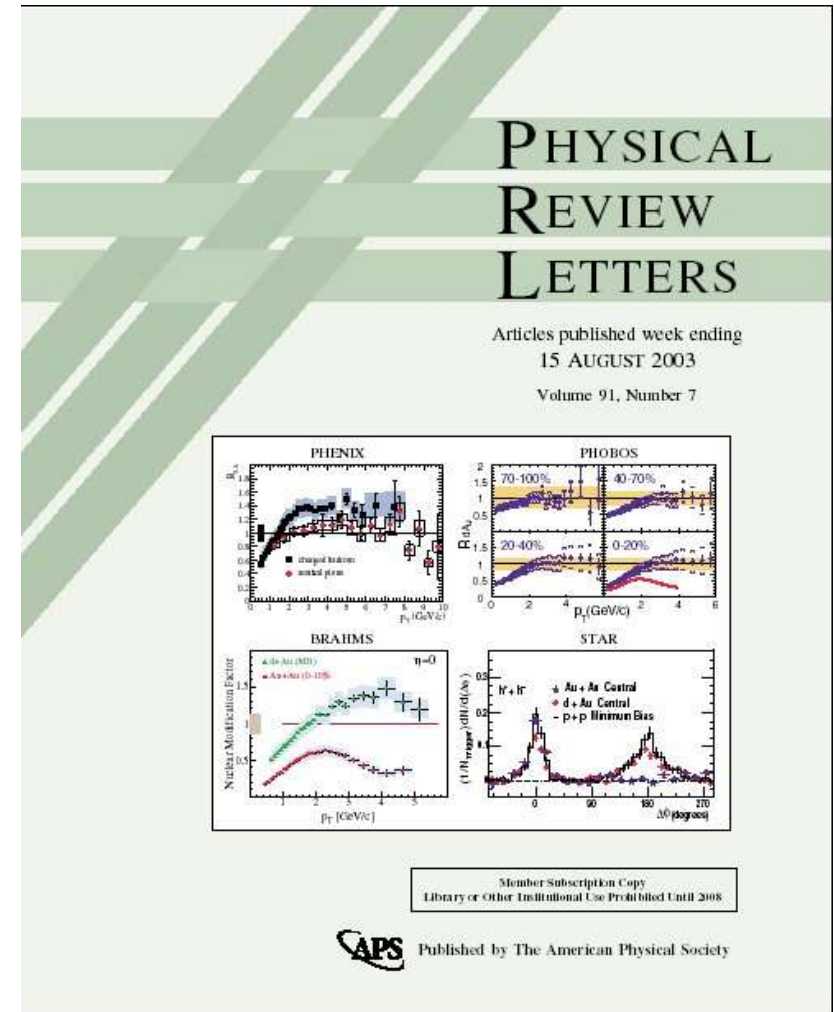
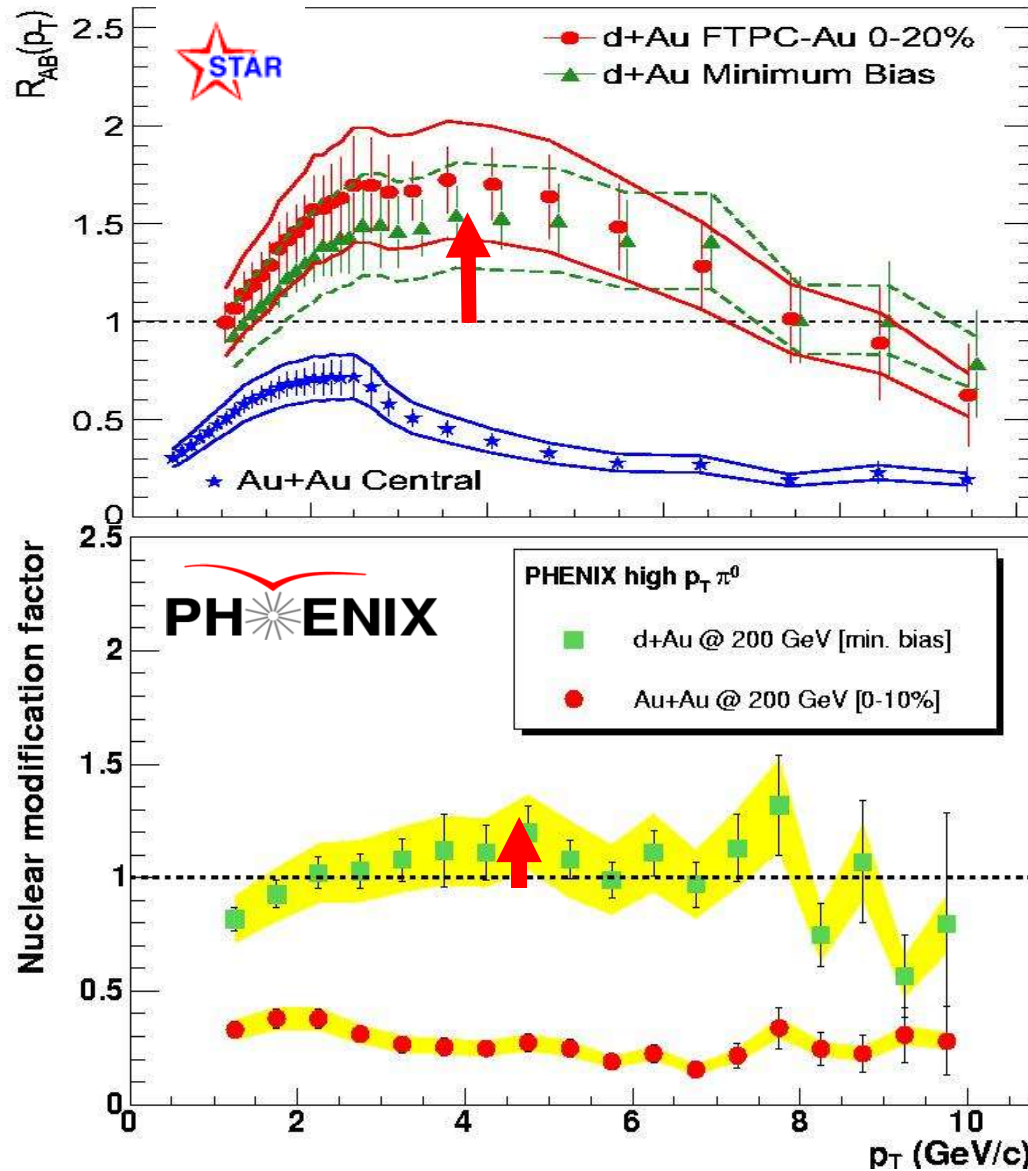


$R_{AA} \ll 1$: well below pQCD
(collinear factorization) expectations
for hard scattering cross-section



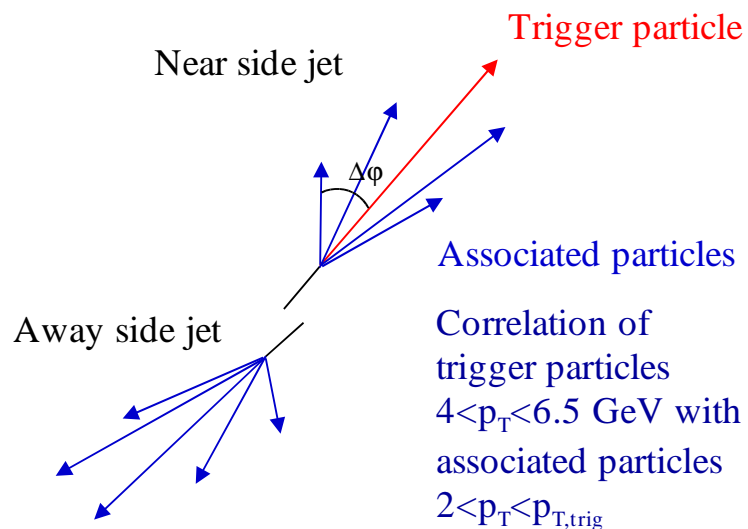
Discovery of
high p_T suppression
(one of most significant
results @ RHIC so far)

d+Au @ 200 GeV: enhancement !



- Suppression in central Au+Au due to final-state effects

Au+Au @ 200 GeV (central): mono-jet correlations !

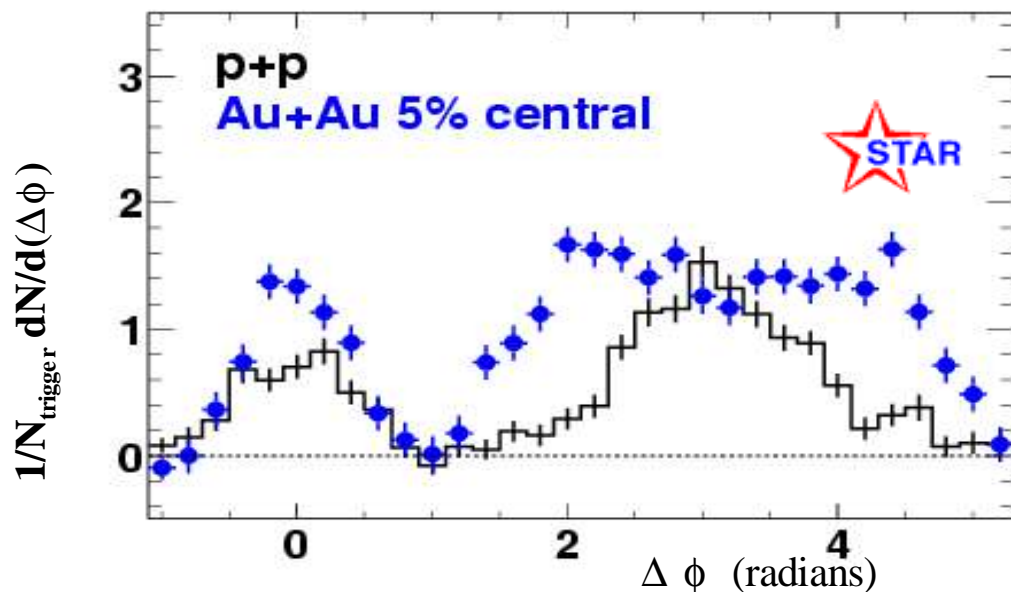
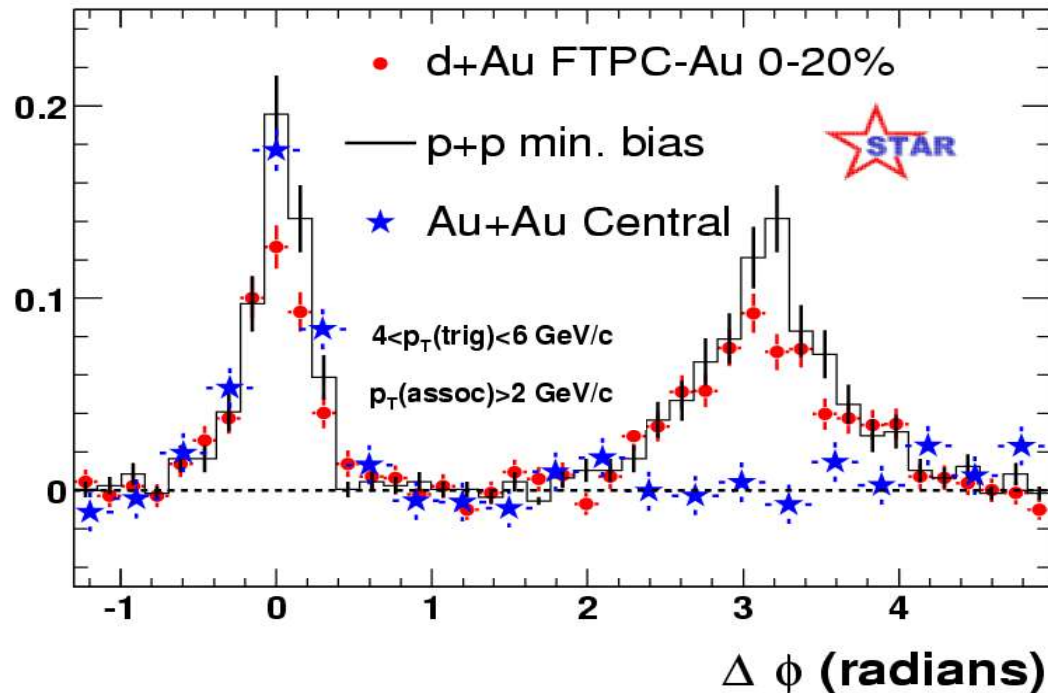


p+p, peripheral Au+Au: 2 jets
 Central Au+Au: no away-side jet
 d+Au control: 2 jets

Associated low- p_T yield (“jet remnants”):

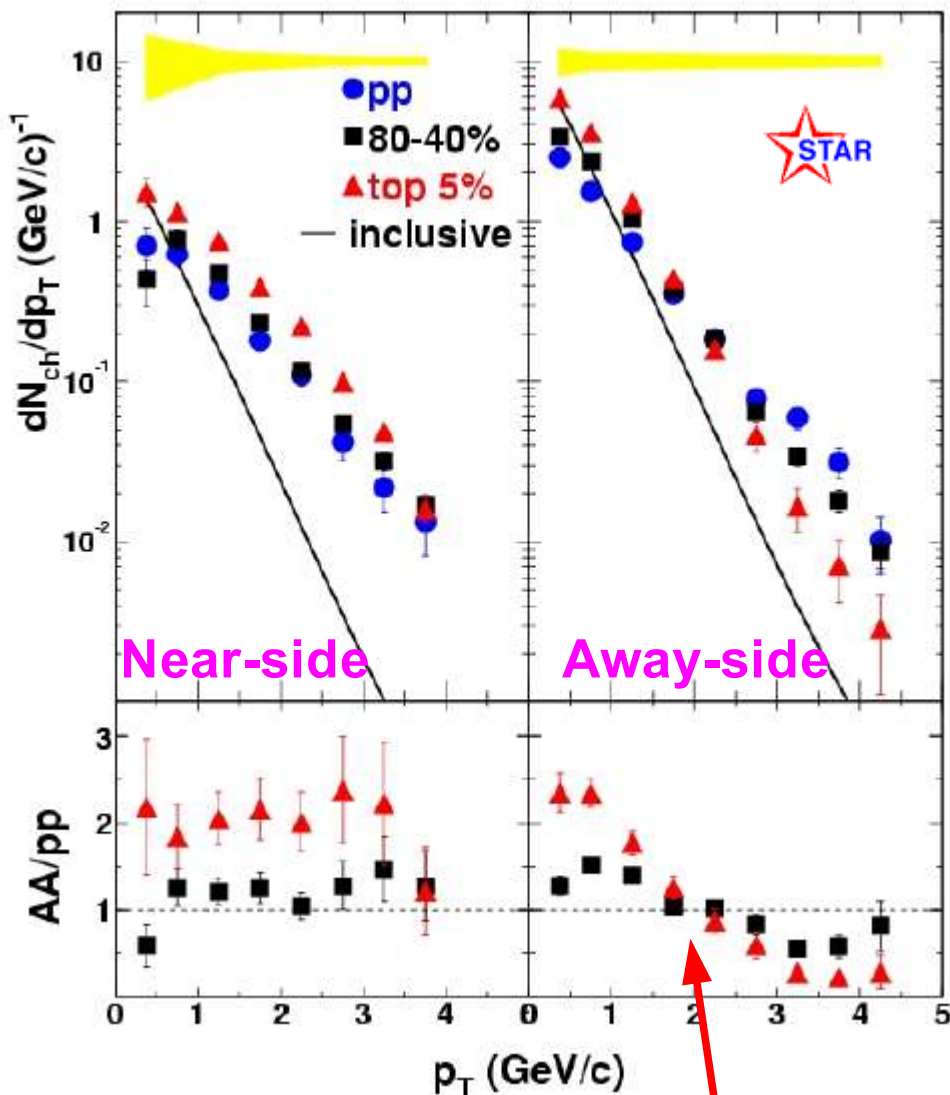
near-side: jet-like

away-side: broad $\cos(\Delta\phi)$ -like from momentum conservation



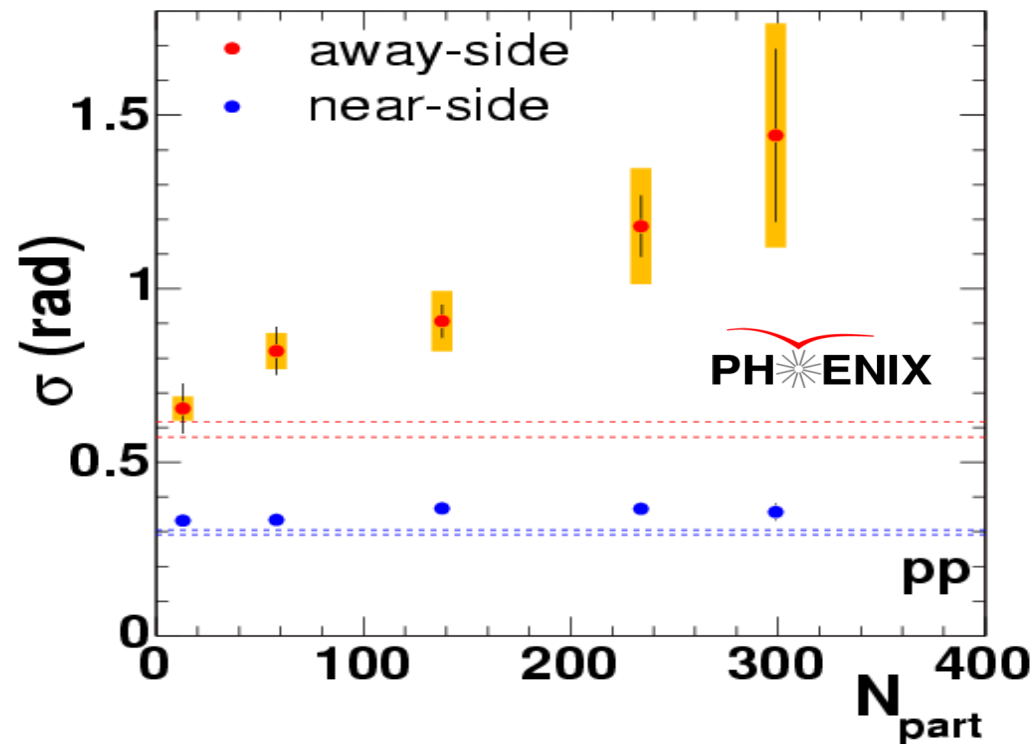
Au+Au @ 200 GeV (central): jet properties

- Associated hadron p_T spectra:



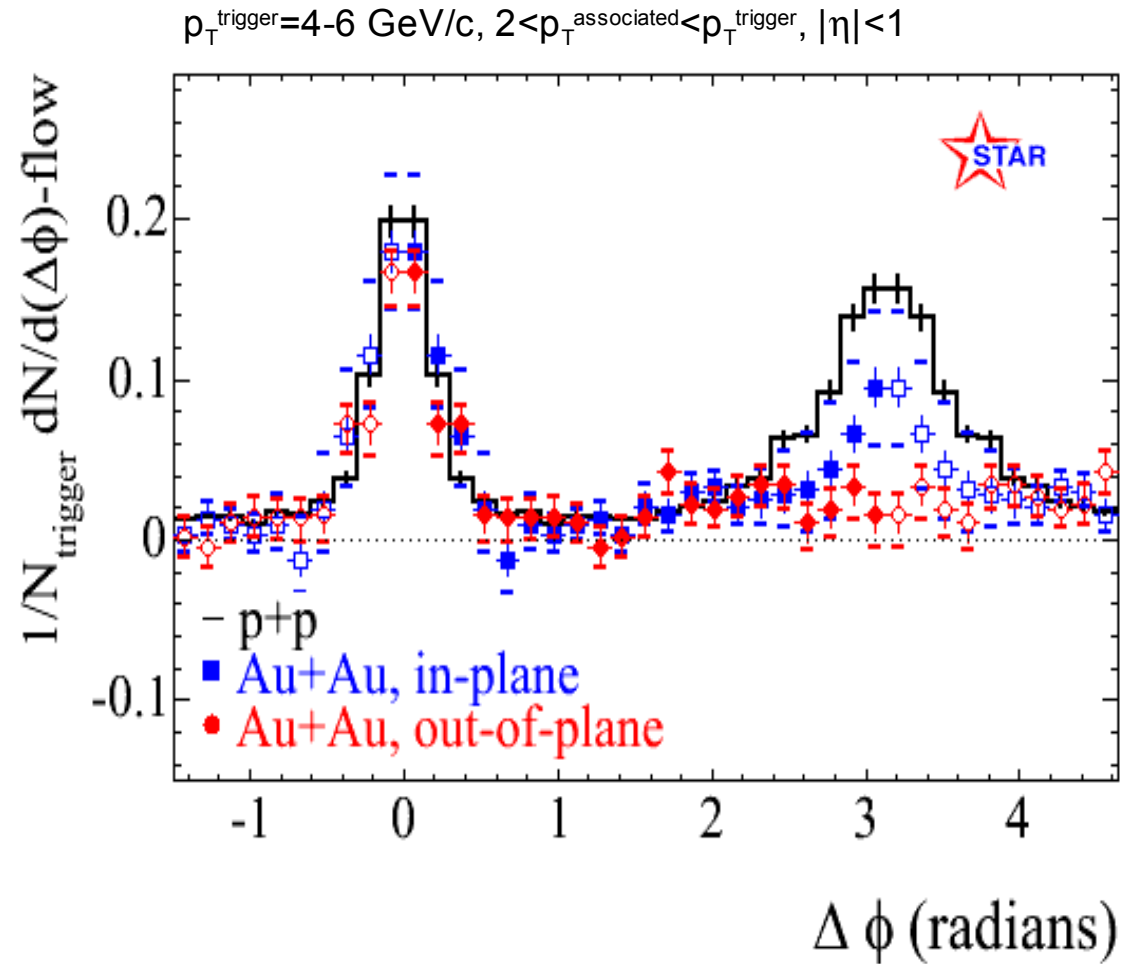
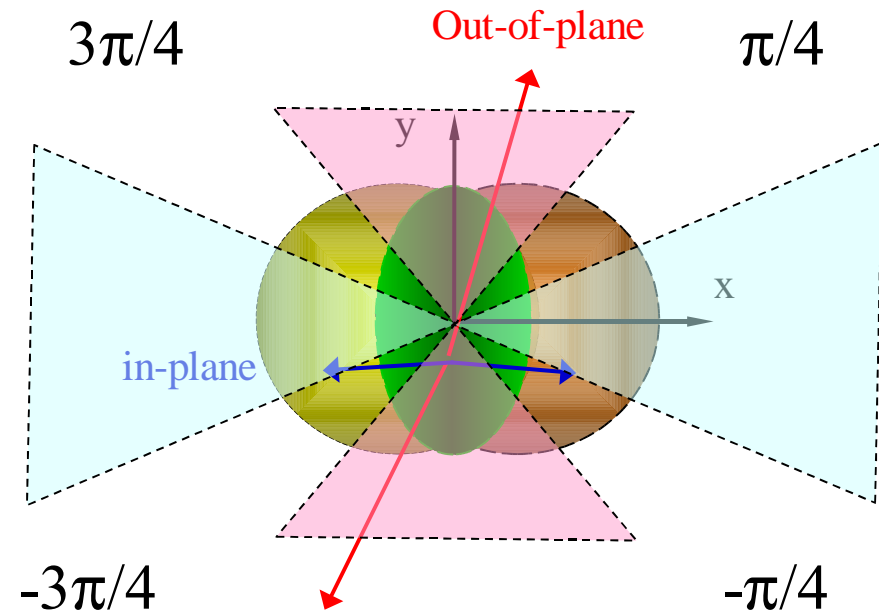
- Central Au+Au: Associated away-side yields are “moved down” in p_T

- Jets widths: $2.5 < p_{T\text{trigg}} < 4.0$ GeV/c
 $1.0 < p_{T\text{Assoc.}} < 2.5$ GeV/c



- The near-side width independent of centrality.
- The away-side width increases with centrality.

Au+Au @ 200 GeV (central): reaction-plane dependence of monojet topologies

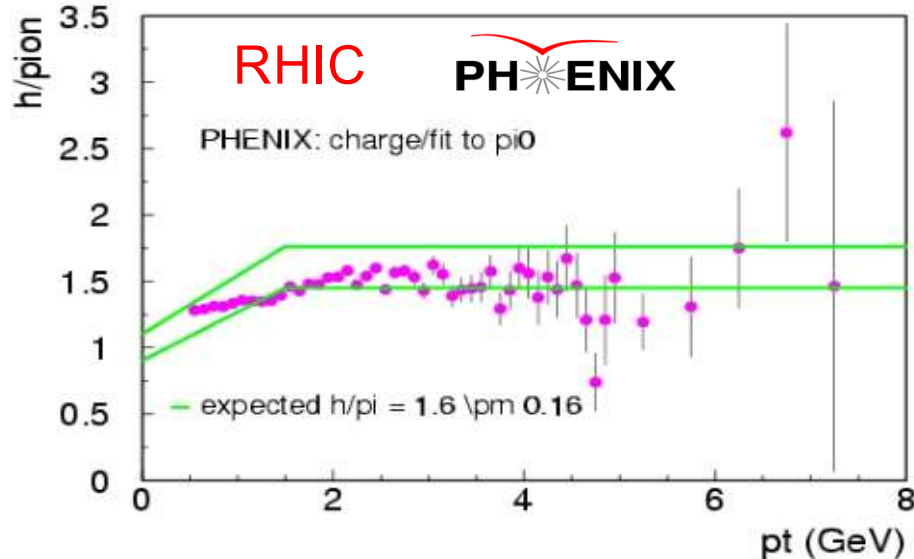
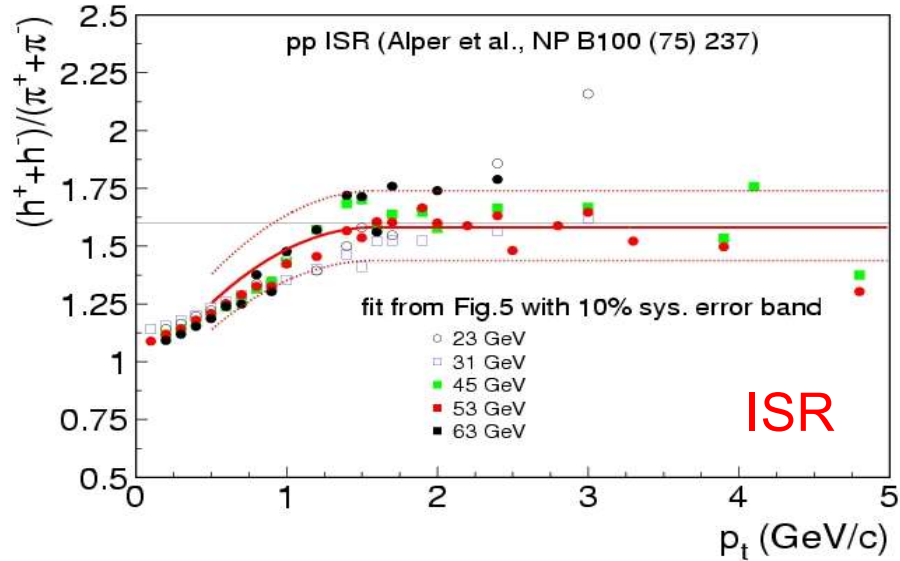


Back-to-back suppression out-of-plane stronger than in-plane

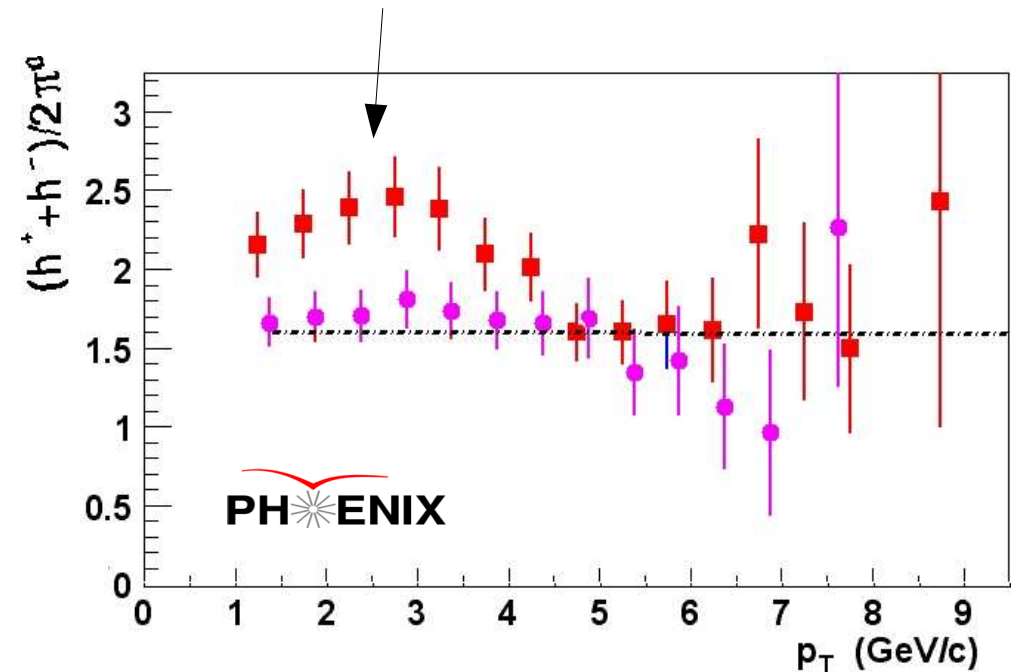
Effect of path length on suppression is experimentally accessible

Au+Au @ 200 GeV: "anomalous" hadron composition

- p+p collisions: hadron/meson ~ 1.6



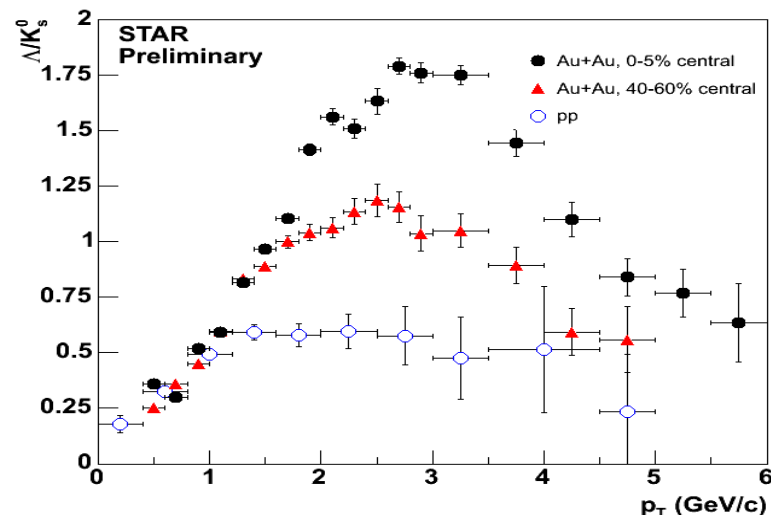
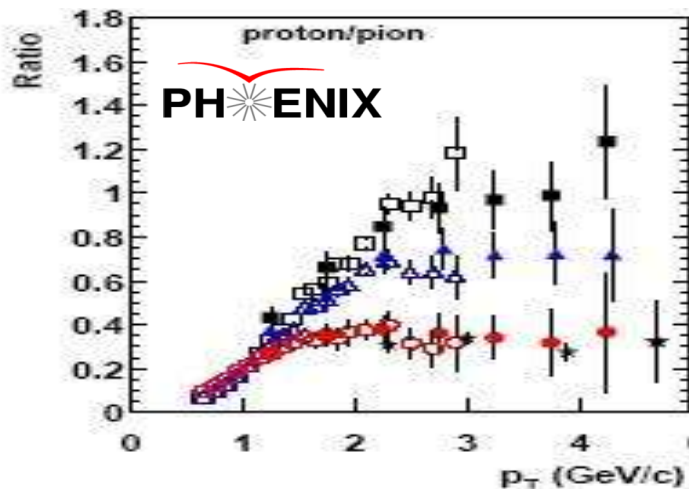
- Au+Au (central): Baryon/meson ~ 2.5 within $p_T = 1 - 4$ GeV/c



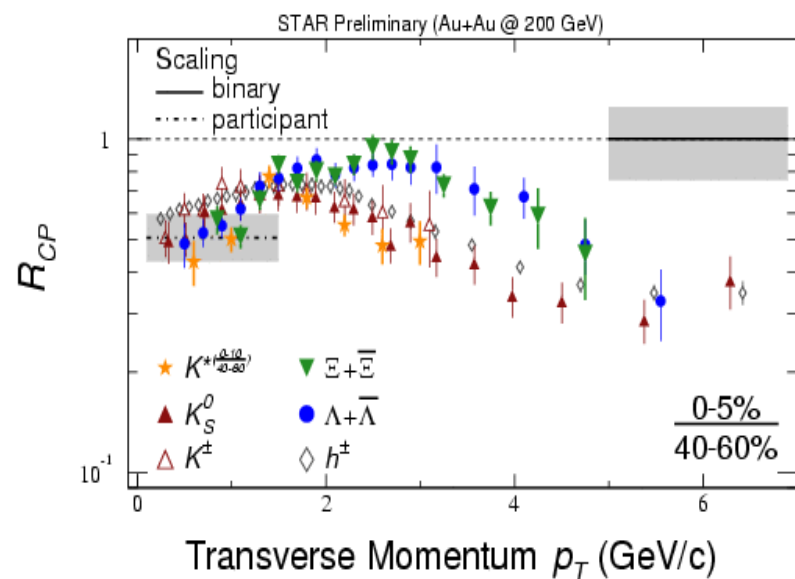
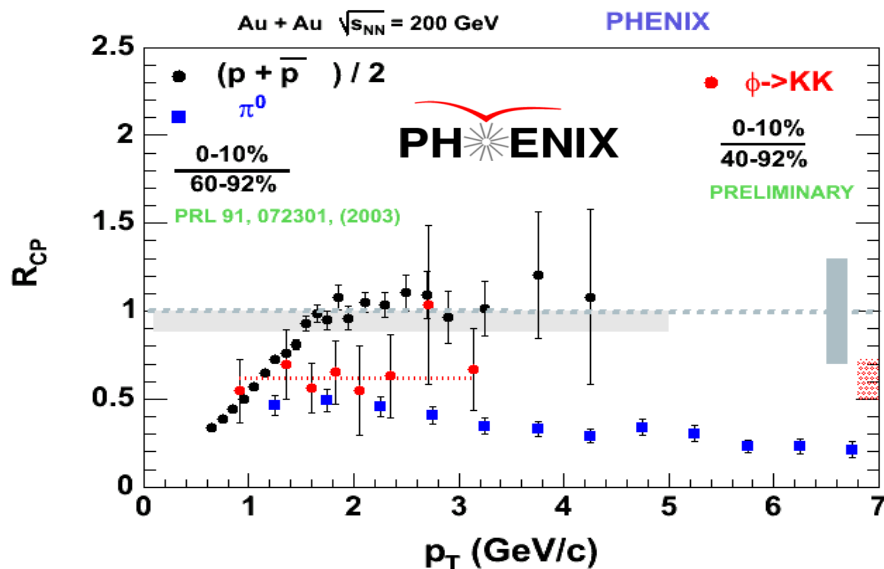
- Particle composition inconsistent with known fragmentation functions.

Au+Au @ 200 GeV (central): baryons > mesons !

- Baryon/meson ratios: ~ 1 !



- Rcp baryons vs. mesons: very heavy mesons (ϕ, k^*) =! baryons



- Additional production mechanism for baryons in the intermediate p_T range

Theory vs. data (I): final-state very dense medium

- Medium properties according to “jet quenching” models:

- Initial gluon densities:

$dN^g/dy \sim 1100$ [Vitev & Gyulassy]

- Opacities:

$\langle n \rangle = L/\lambda \approx 3 - 4$ [Levai et al.]

- Transport coefficients:

$\langle q_0 \rangle \sim 3.5 \text{ GeV/fm}^2$ [BDMPS, F.Arleo]

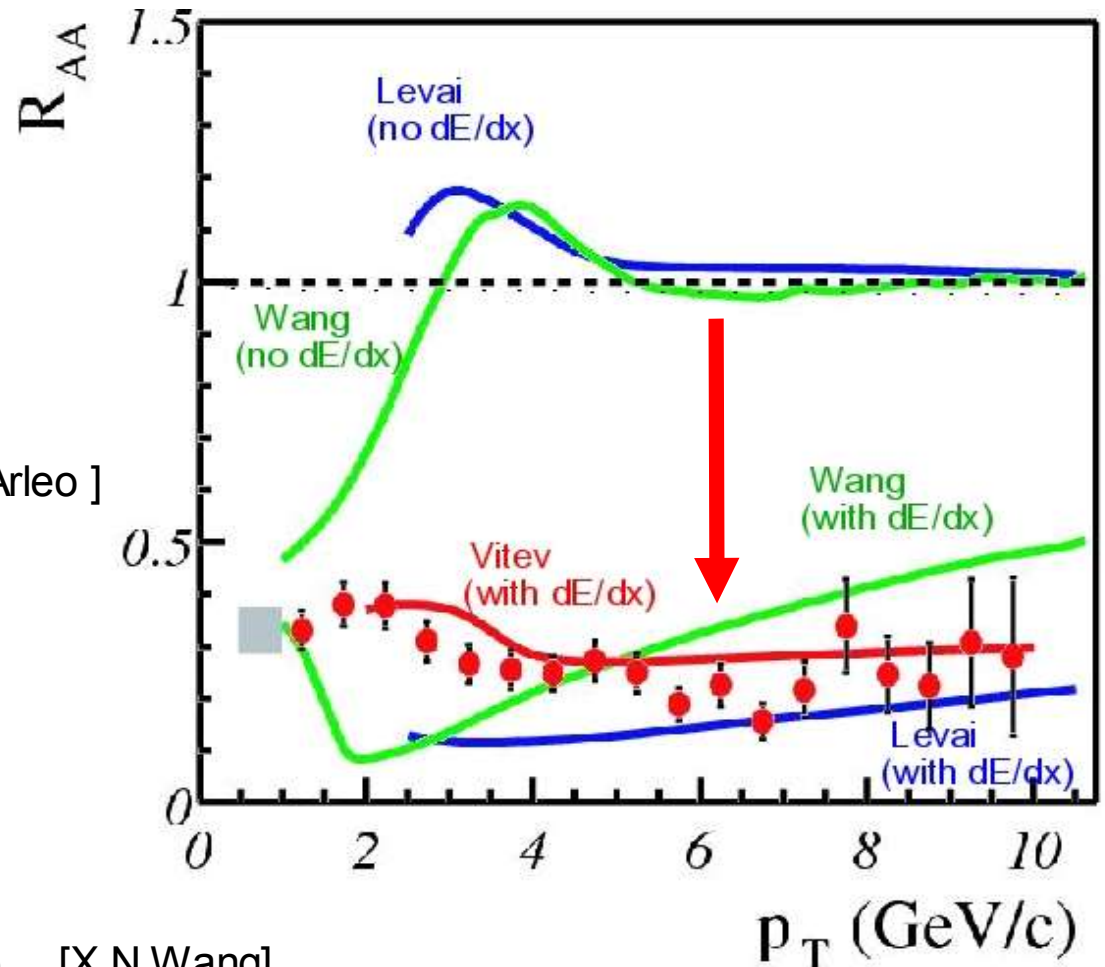
- Plasma temperatures:

$T \sim 0.4 \text{ GeV}$ [G. Moore]

- Medium-induced radiative energy losses:

$dE/dx \approx 0.25 \text{ GeV/fm}$ (expanding)

$dE/dx|_{\text{eff}} \approx 14 \text{ GeV/fm}$ (static source) [X.N.Wang]



- Such large opacities imply:

(i) large rescattering: **thermalization**, (ii) energy densities $\epsilon_{\text{crit QCD}} \gg 1 \text{ GeV/fm}^3$

Theory vs. data (II): partonic or hadronic medium ?

- Energy loss in **Dual-Parton-Model** based approaches ...

Final state interactions: Partons or hadrons?

We can divide our suppression factor

$$\tilde{S}_{\pi^0}(b, s, y, p_T) = \exp \left\{ -\tilde{\sigma} \left[1 - \frac{N_{\pi^0}(b, s, y, p_T + \delta p_T)}{N_{\pi^0}(b, s, y, p_T)} \right] N(b, s, y) \ln \left(\frac{N(b, s, y)}{N_{pp}(y)} \right) \right\}$$

where the log term corresponds to:

$$\ln \left(\frac{N(b, s, y)}{N_{pp}(y)} \right) = \ln \left(\frac{\tau_f}{\tau_0} \right)$$

in two parts:

Partonic: From initial density $N(b, s, y) = \frac{dN/dy}{\pi R_A^2} \sim \frac{1000}{\pi R_A^2}$ to $\frac{dN/dy}{\pi R_A^2} \sim \frac{300}{\pi R_A^2}$,
or equivalently from $\tau_0 = 1$ fm to $\tau_p = 3.6$ fm

Hadronic: From partonic density $\frac{dN/dy}{\pi R_A^2} \sim \frac{300}{\pi R_A^2}$ to $N_{pp}(y) = 2.24$ fm⁻², or
equivalently from $\tau_p = 3.6$ fm to $\tau_f = \infty(5 - 7)$ fm

We find that:

78% of the effect takes place in the partonic phase

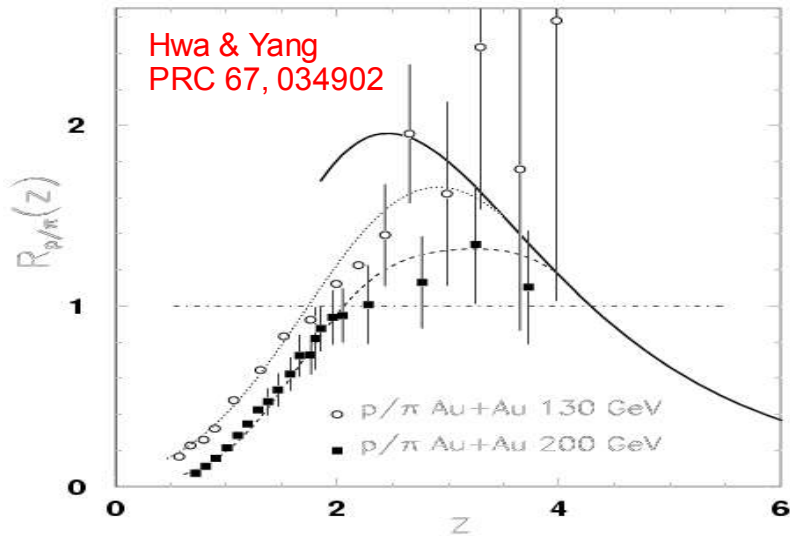
22% of the effect takes place in the hadronic phase

(Elena Ferreiro)

... Mostly partonic

Theory vs. data (III): final-state “quark” medium

- Quark recombination (coalescence) mechanisms provide an additional mechanism for baryon production at intermediate p_T 's (2-5 GeV/c):



Via quark momenta addition:

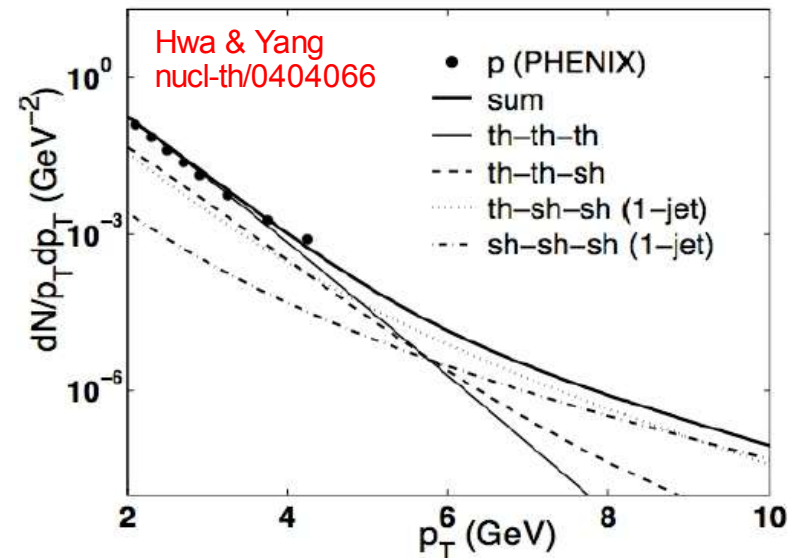
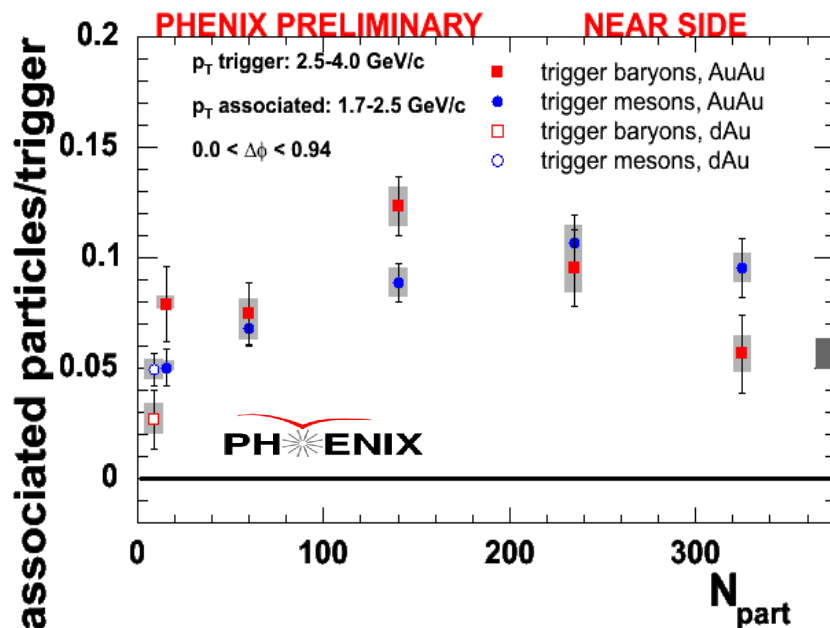
$$p_T(\text{baryons}) > p_T(\text{mesons}) > p_T(\text{quarks})$$

Fragmentation dominates for $p_T > 5$ GeV/c:

$$p_T(\text{hadrons}) = z p_T(\text{partons}), \text{ with } z < 1$$

Large quark densities in thermal medium required

- However ... thermal + shower parton recombination needed to explain jet-like baryon near-side azimuthal correlations



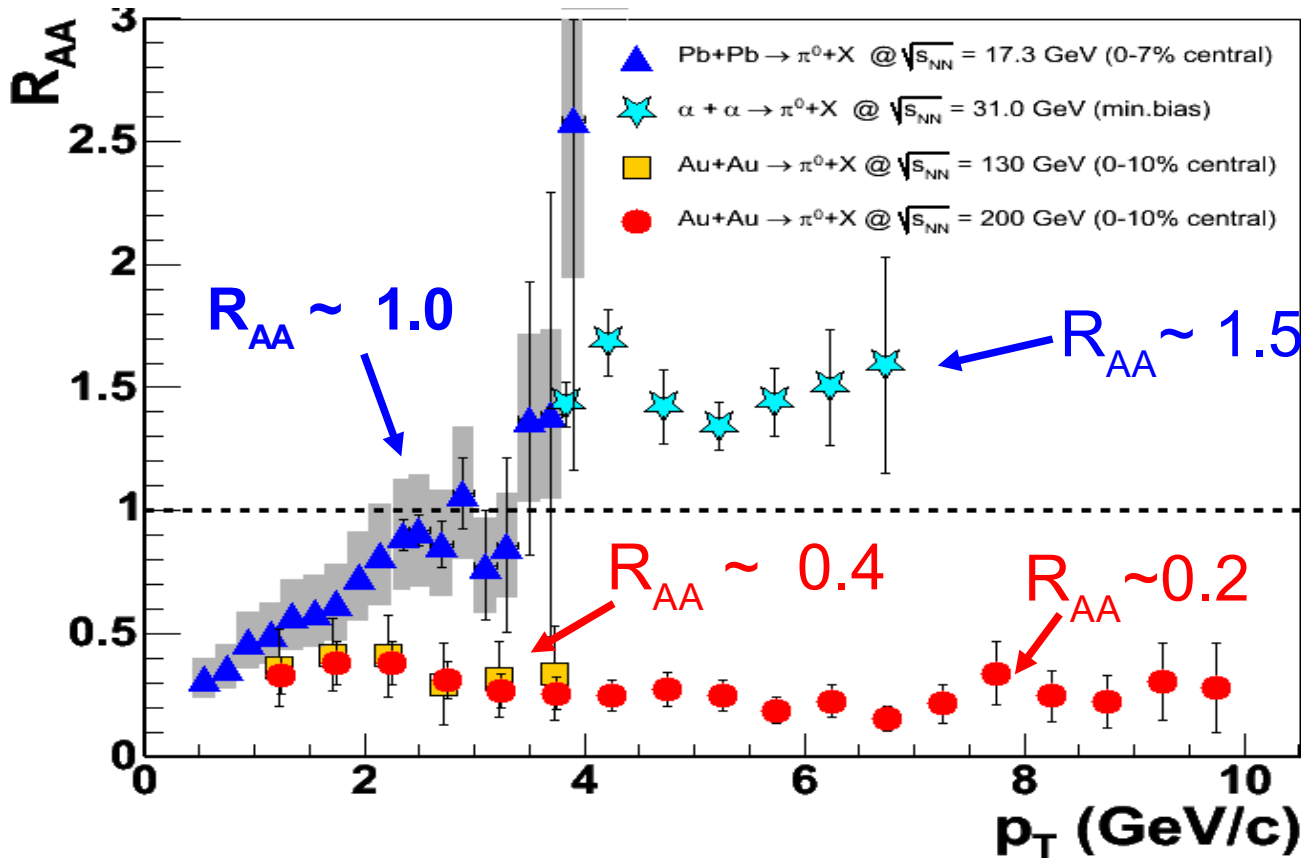
Part II_b:

Au+Au @ 62.4 GeV

**Probing the (slightly less)
hot & dense QCD “medium”**

Nuclear modification factor (π^0): $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ dependence

- CERN-SPS: Pb+Pb central ($\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 17.3$ GeV): small suppression (?) (*)
- CERN-ISR: $\alpha+\alpha$ ($\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 31$ GeV): Cronin enhancement (too small system).
- RHIC: Au+Au ($\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 130, 200$ GeV): x 4-5 suppression.



A.L.S.Angelis, PLB 185, 213 (1987)

WA98, EPJ C 23, 225 (2002)

(*) Reanalysis: D.d'E. nucl-ex/0403055

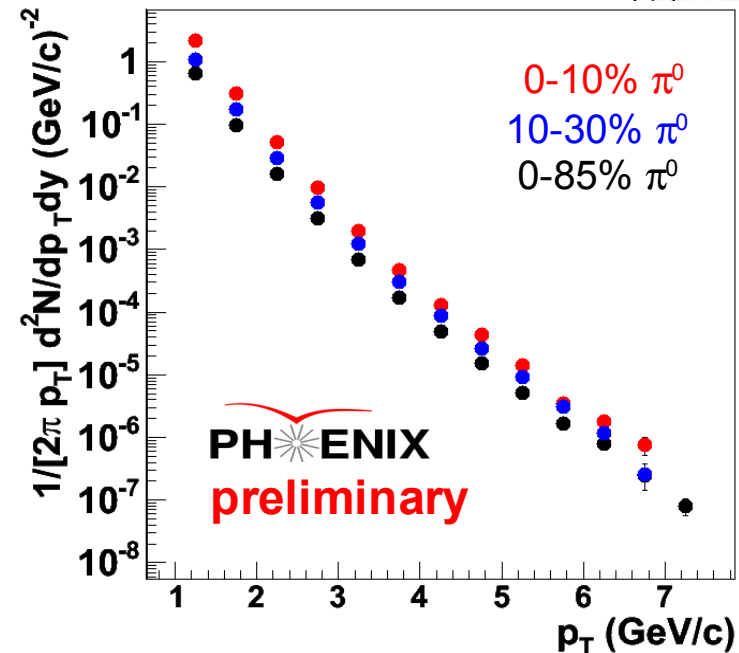
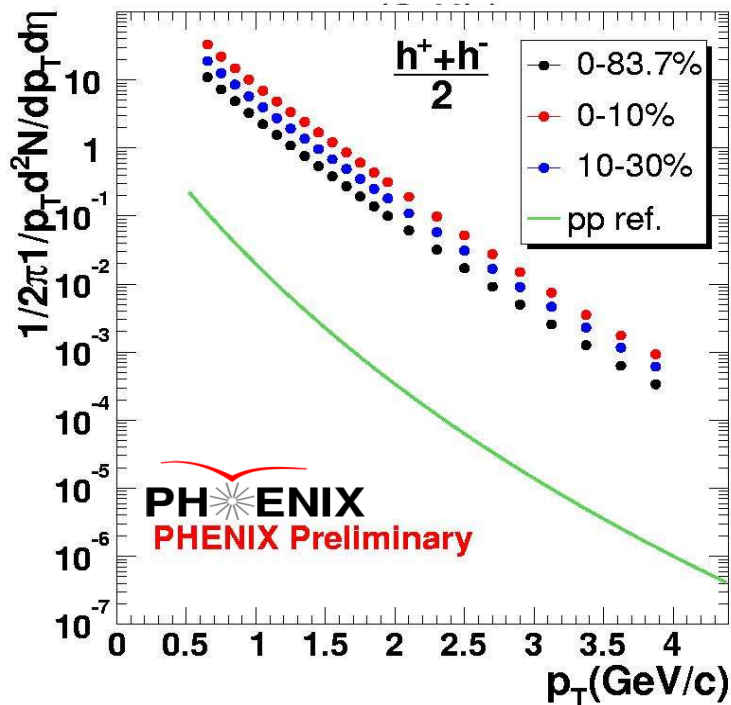
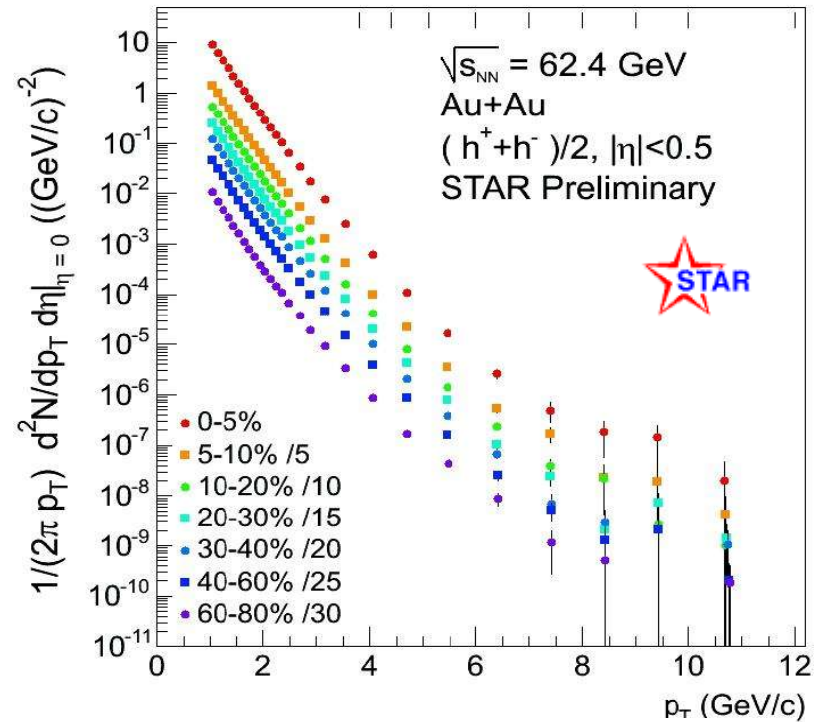
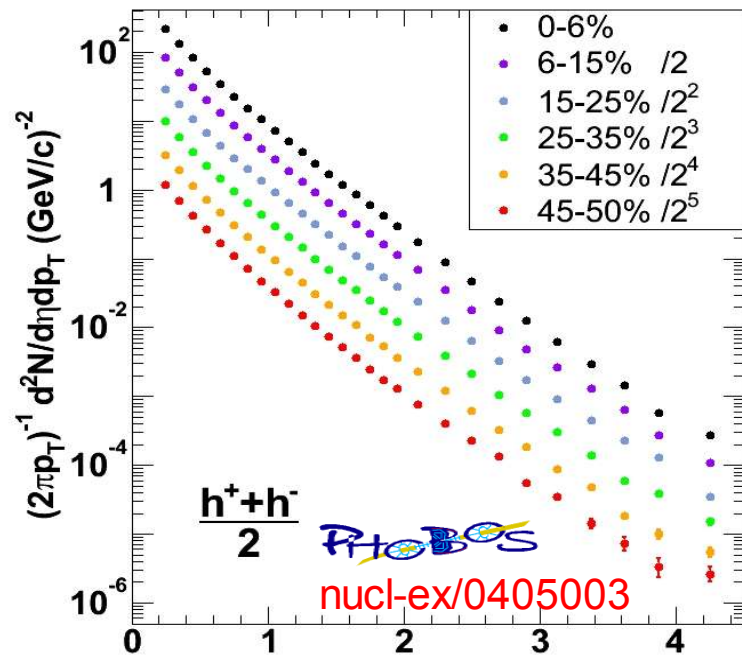
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(*) RHIC should run Au+Au and p+p @ $\sqrt{s_{NN}} \sim 20-30$ GeV

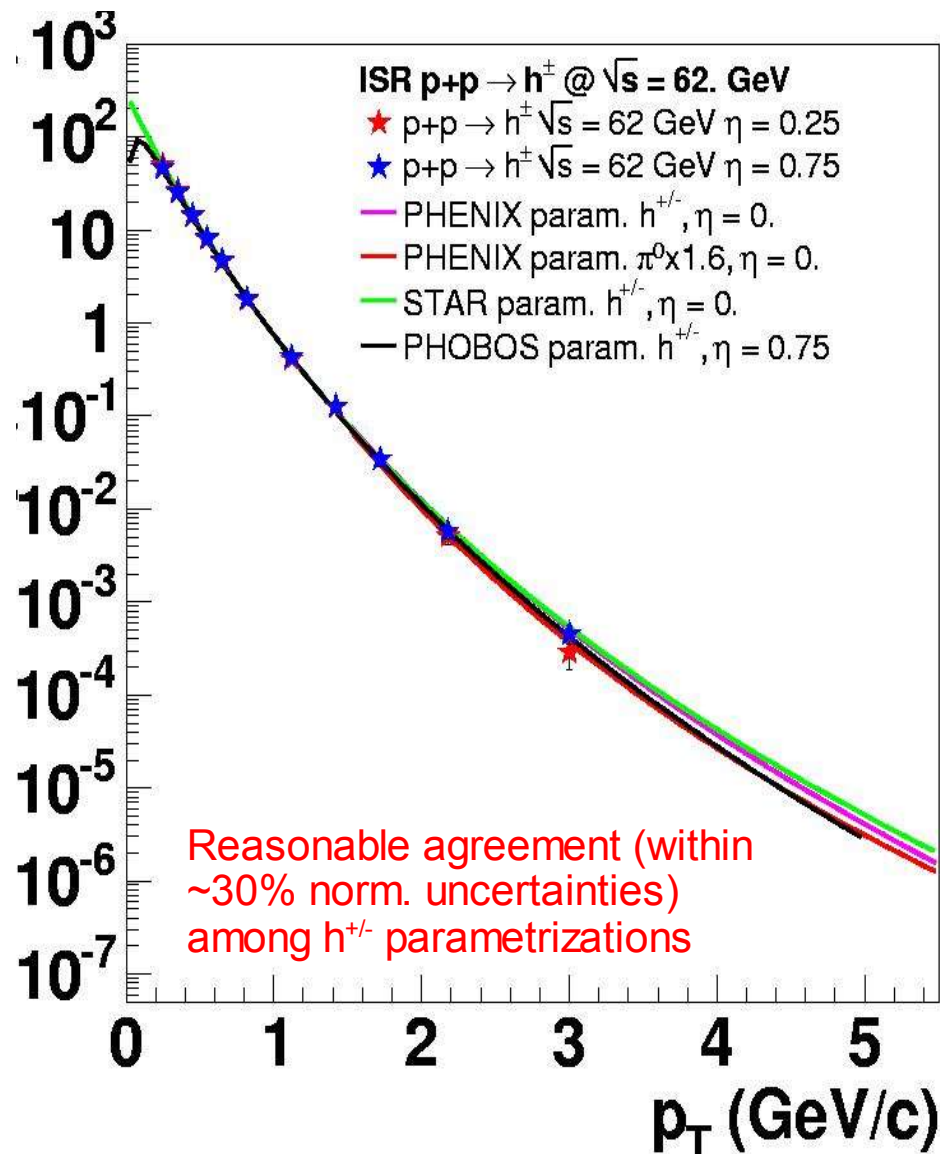
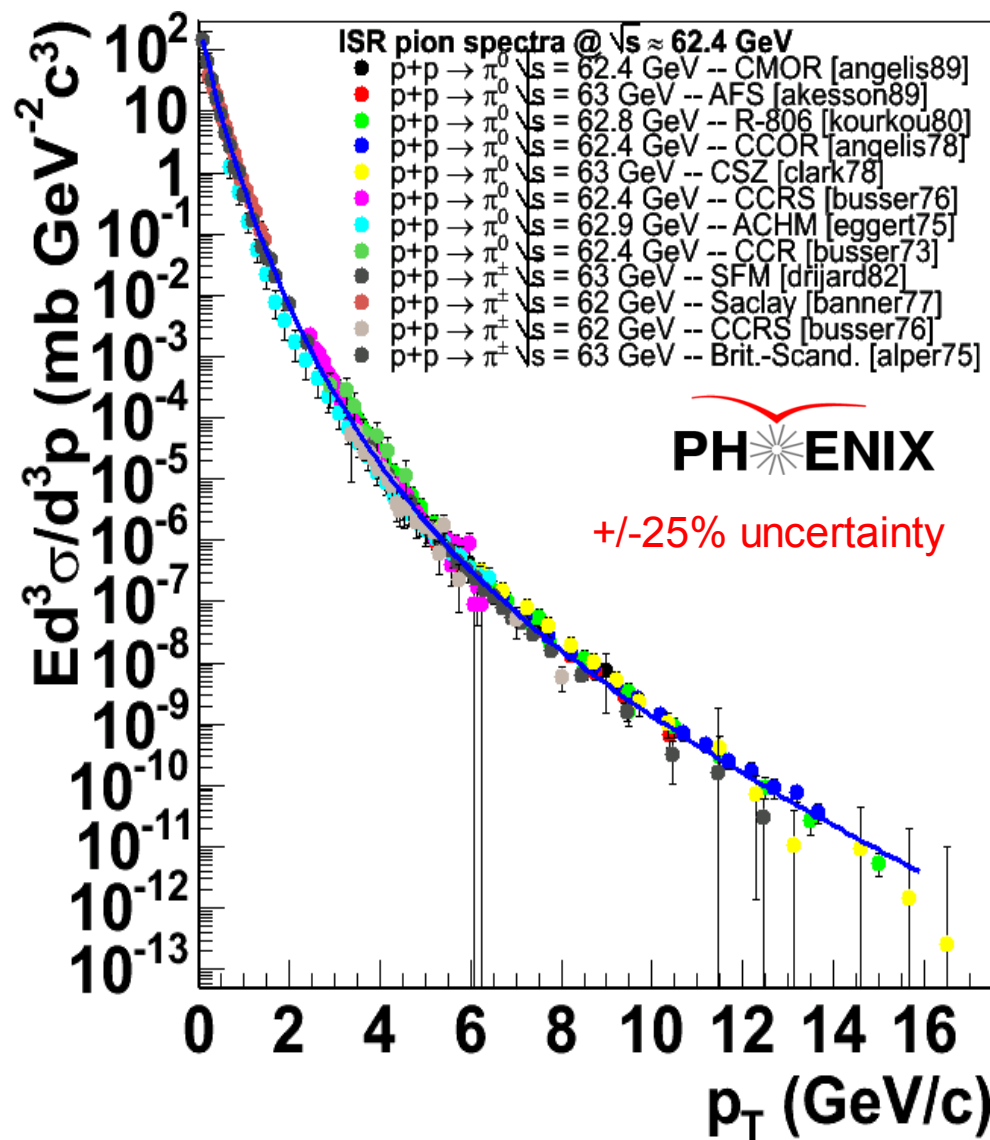
- RHIC Au+Au ($\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 62.4$ GeV): (i) probe suppression excitation function, (ii) confirm/constraint models of (partonic) energy loss

Au+Au @ 62.4 GeV: p_T spectra



p+p @ 62.4 GeV: reference p_T spectra

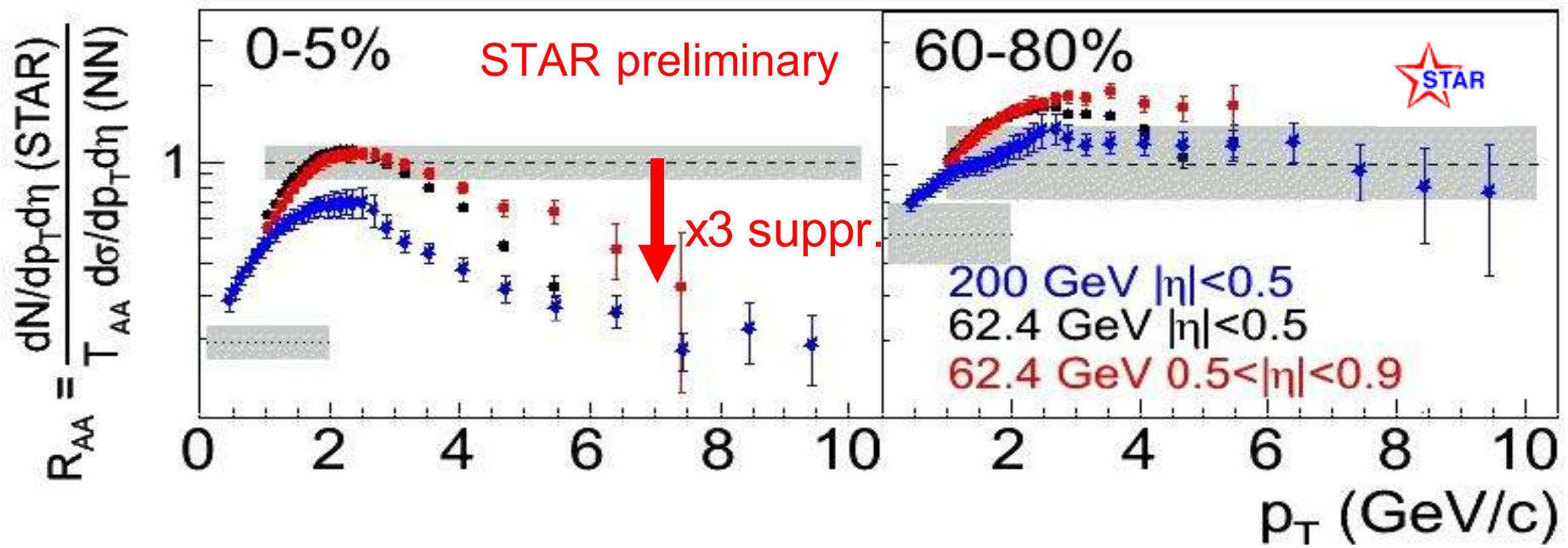
- No concurrent p+p measured at RHIC. Have to rely on **ISR measurements** ...



Au+Au @ 62.4 GeV (R_{AA} central): h^\pm suppression !

Central

Peripheral

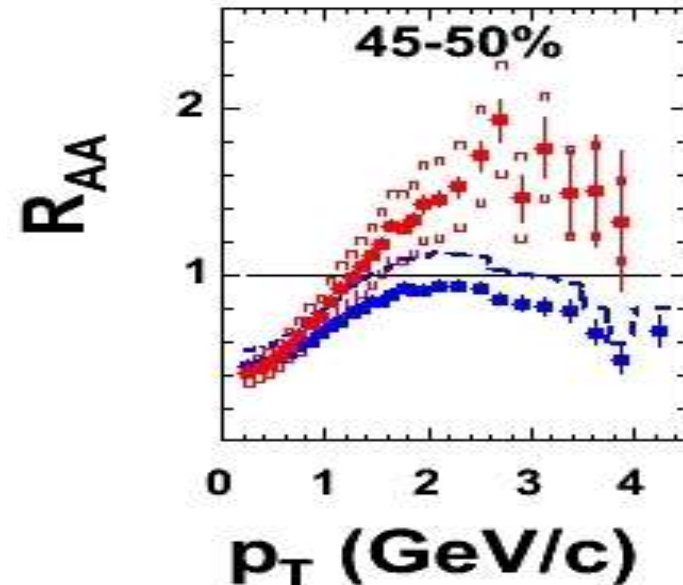
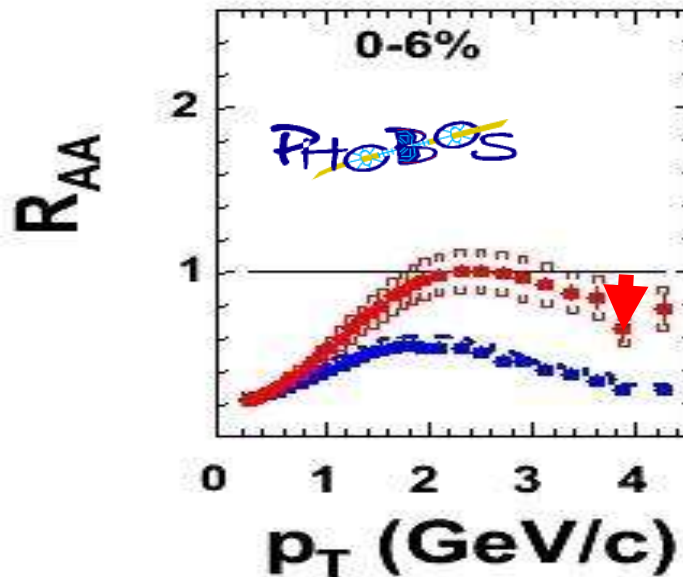


$p_T \sim 2-3$ GeV/c:

$R_{AA} \sim 1$

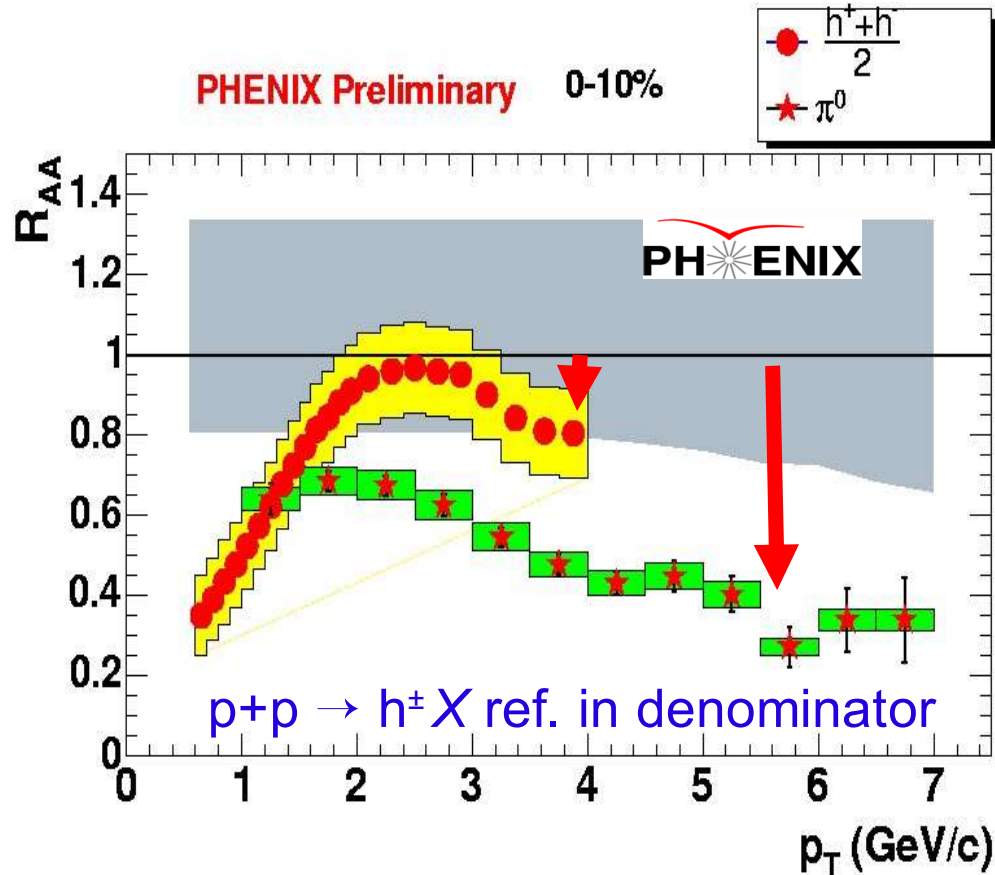
$p_T > 6$ GeV/c:

$R_{AA} \sim 0.3$

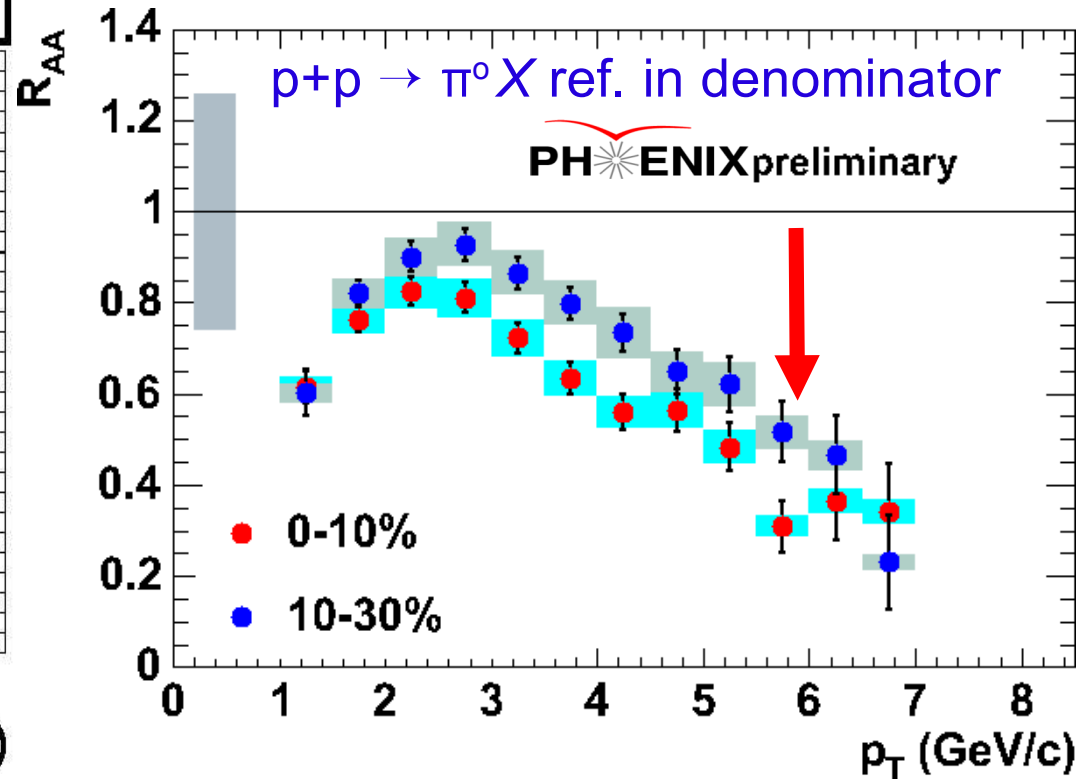


Au+Au @ 62.4 GeV (R_{AA} central): π^0 suppression !

Charged hadrons vs. pions

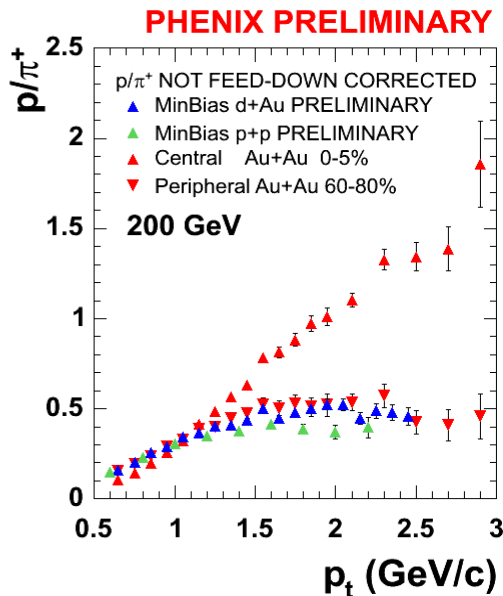
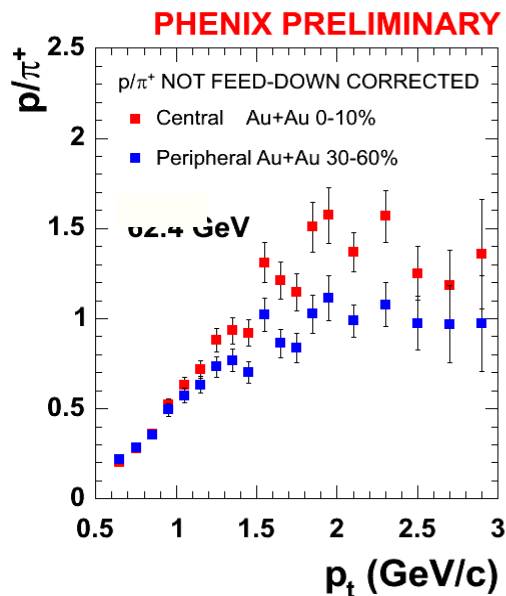


Neutral pions

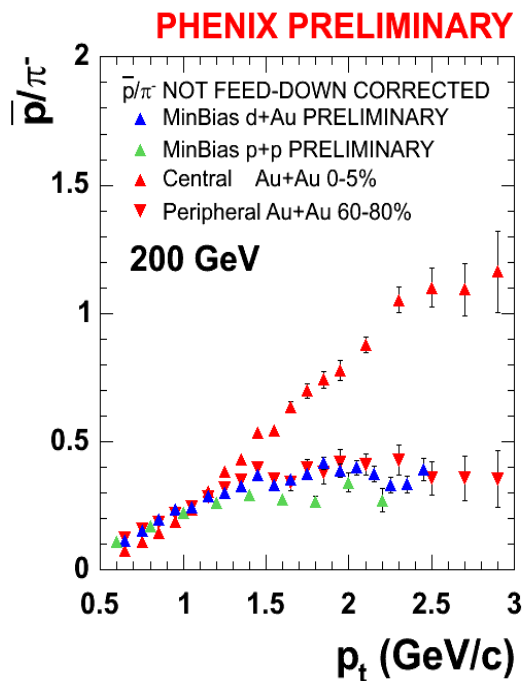
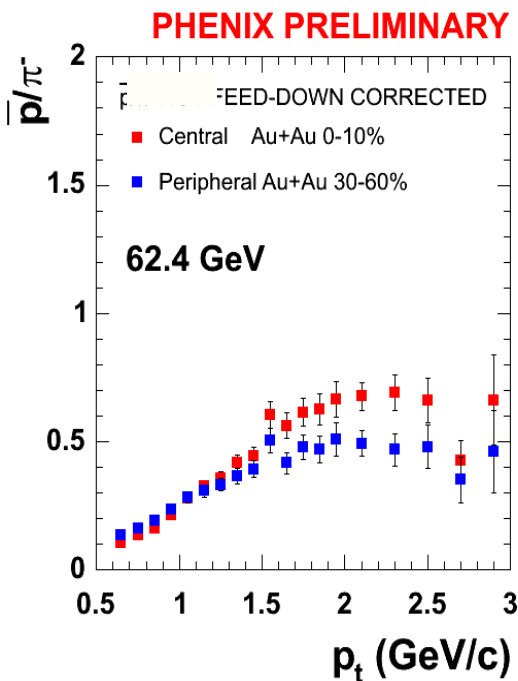


- Pions more suppressed than $h^{+/-}$ at intermediate p_T (also found at 200 GeV):
 $R_{AA} \sim 0.6$ at $p_T \sim 2$ GeV/c
- “Universal” (PID) and constant suppr. at high p_T : $R_{AA} \sim 0.3$ for $p_T > 6$ GeV/c

Au+Au @ 62.4 GeV (R_{AA} central): baryons again !



- Central p/π^+ ratio similar to 200 GeV Au+Au result at high p_T .

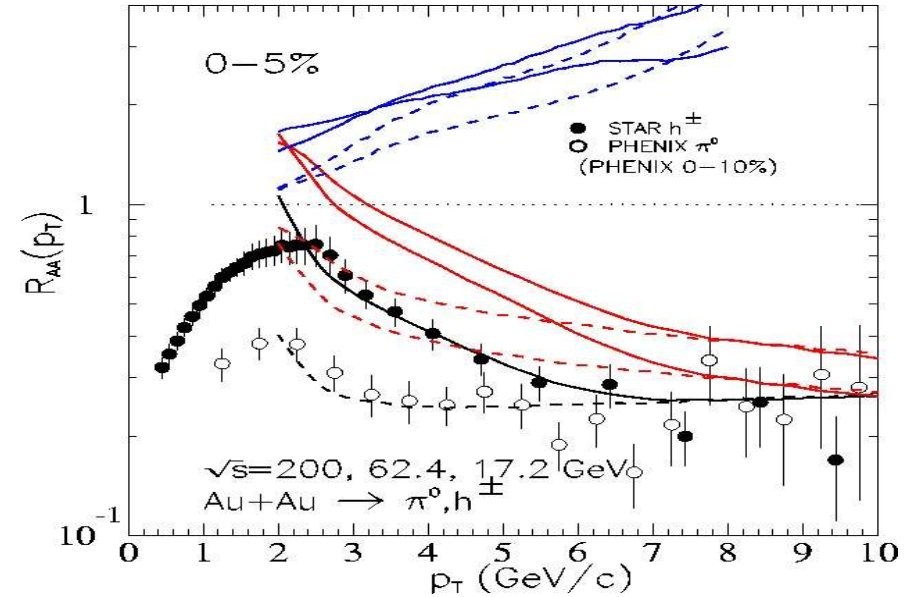
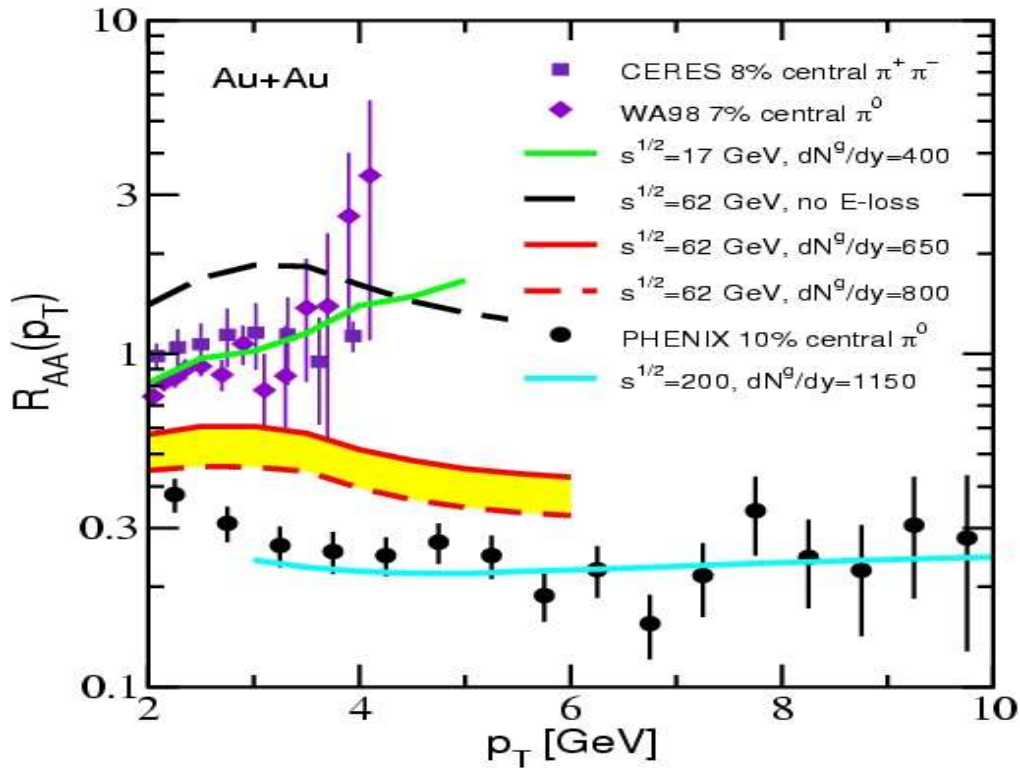


- Central \bar{p}/π^- ratio at 2-3 GeV is smaller than 200 GeV results.
- Smaller \bar{p}/p ratio due to more baryon transport to mid-rapidity and less \bar{p} production.

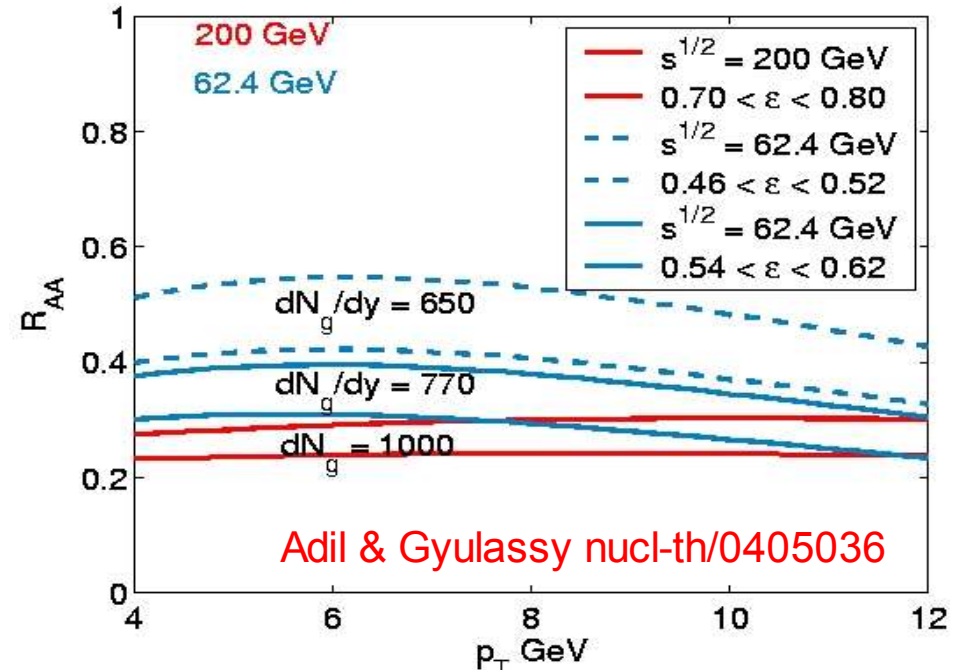
Au+Au @ 62.4 GeV (central): suppression predictions

$$R_{AA}(\pi^0) \sim 0.5 - 0.3$$

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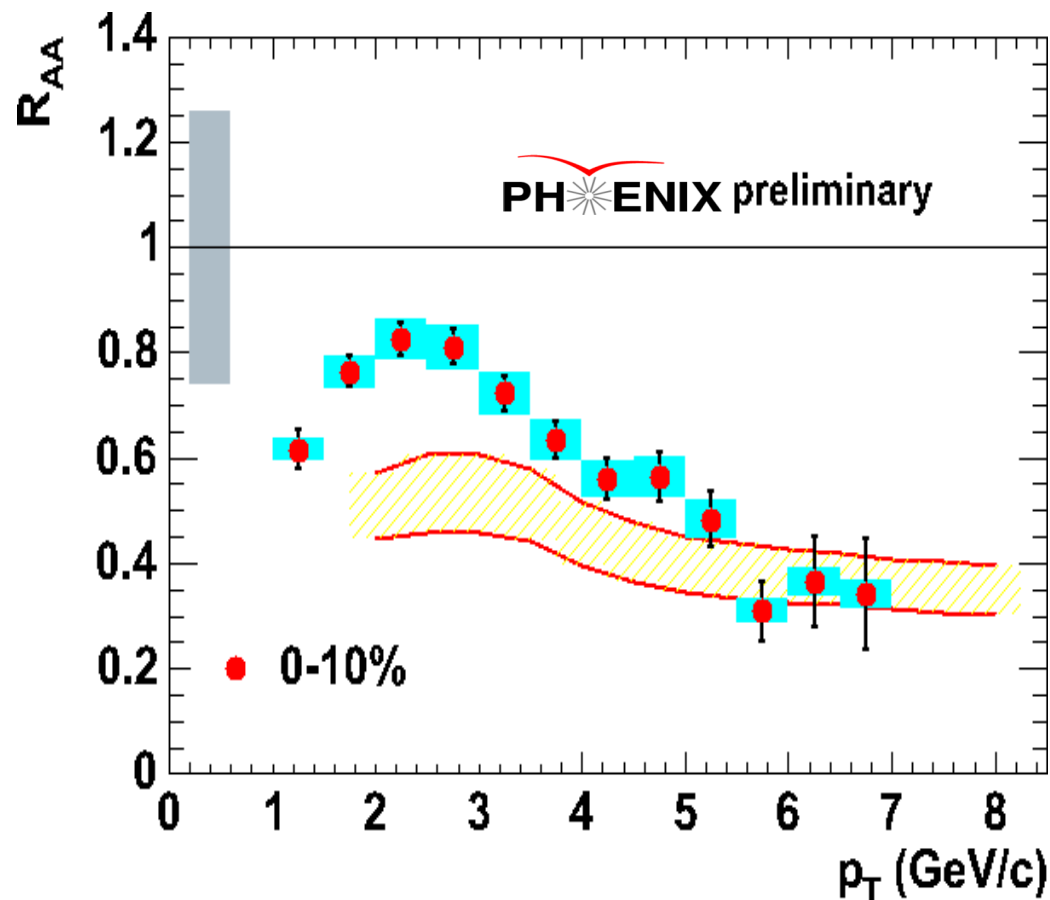
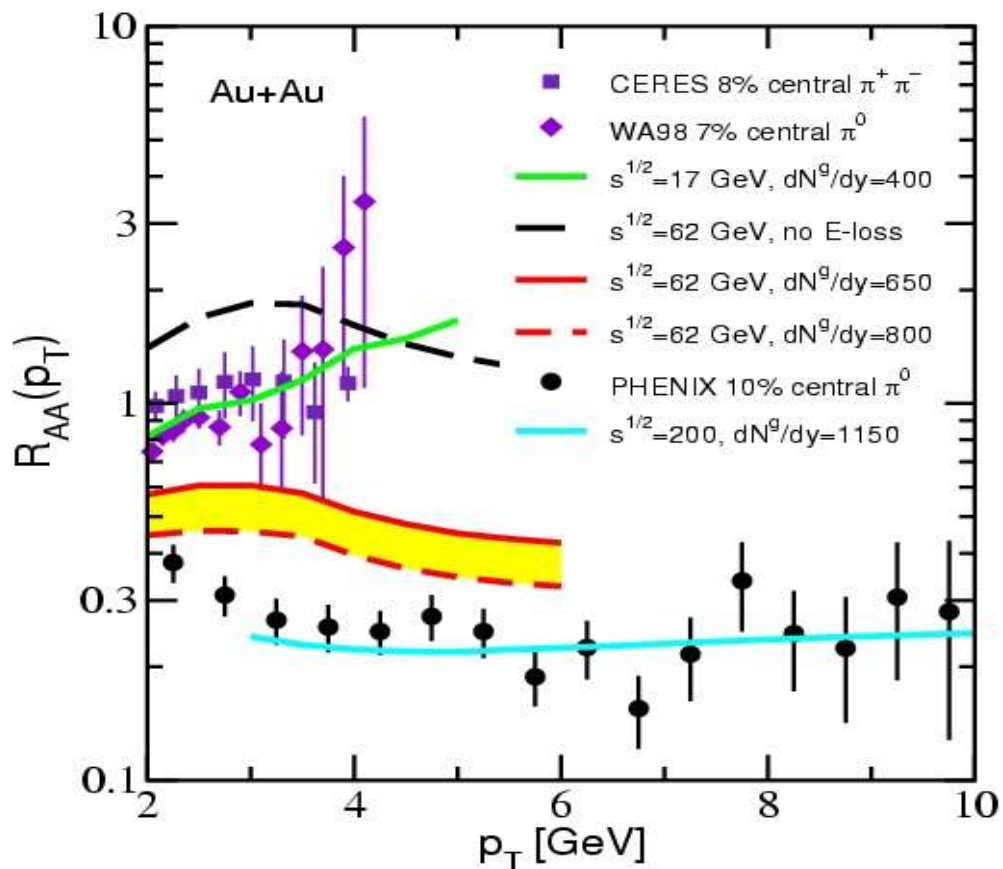


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Au+Au @ 62.4 GeV (central): data vs. theory

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Comparison by Saskia Mioduszewski



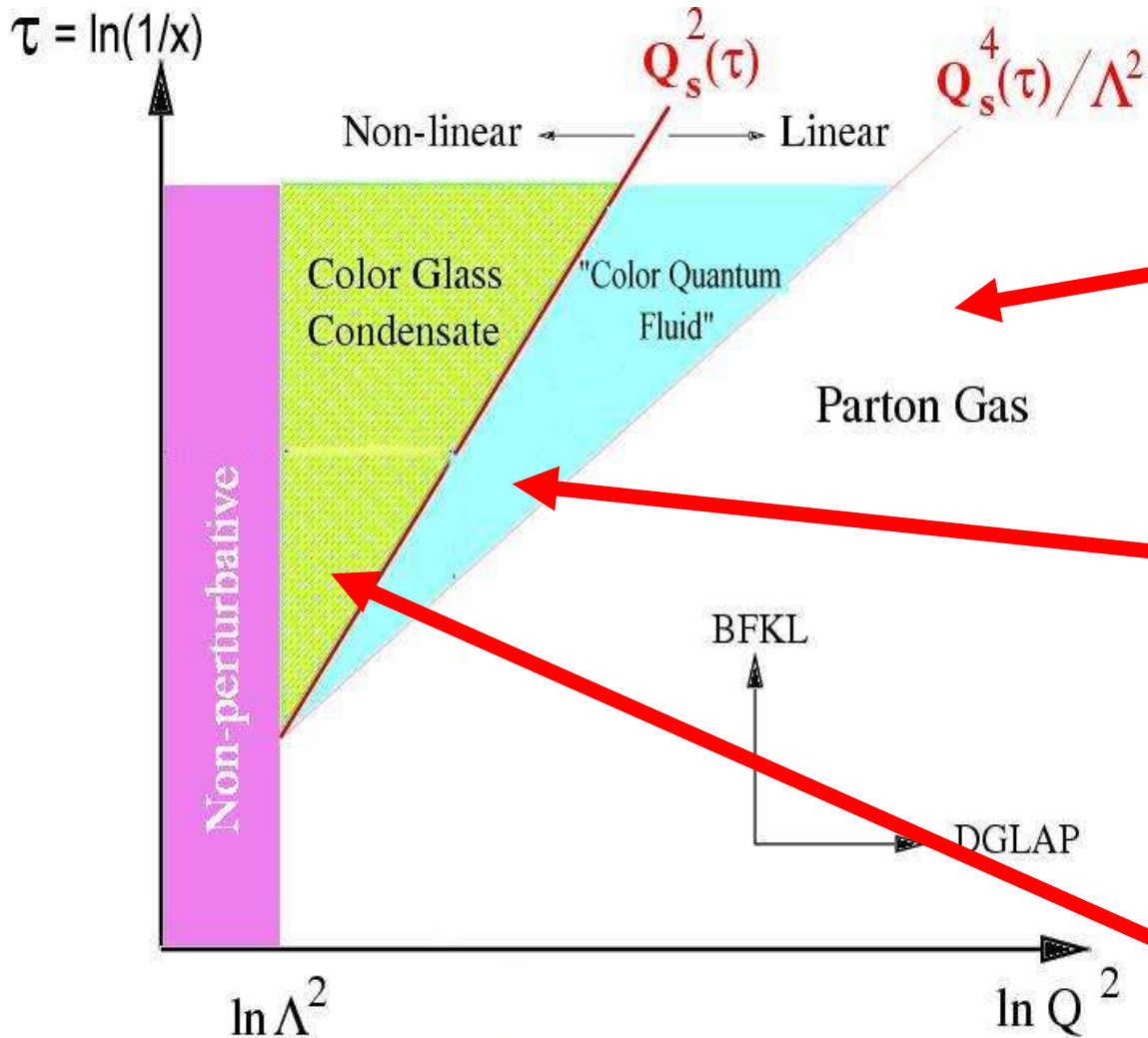
- Reasonably good agreement (esp. high p_T) within uncertainties
- Caveat: uncertainty in the p_T shape (esp. low p_T) of the p+p reference ...

Part III:

d+Au @ 200 GeV at $y \sim 3$

Probing the QCD cold “medium”

The quest for gluon saturation effects @ RHIC ...



RHIC kinematical regime:

● High p_T @ midrapidity:

$$y = 0, Q^2 = 1-100 \text{ GeV}^2/c^2$$

- pQCD collinear factorization
- DGLAP evolution (g splitting)
- small nuclear effects in PDFs (LT shadowing).

● Moderate p_T , rapidities:

$$y \approx 1-3, Q^2 \approx 10 \text{ GeV}^2/c^2$$

- k_T factorization
- linear BFKL evolution (g splitt.)
- "moderate" nuclear effects (LT shadowing).

● Low p_T @ large rapidities:

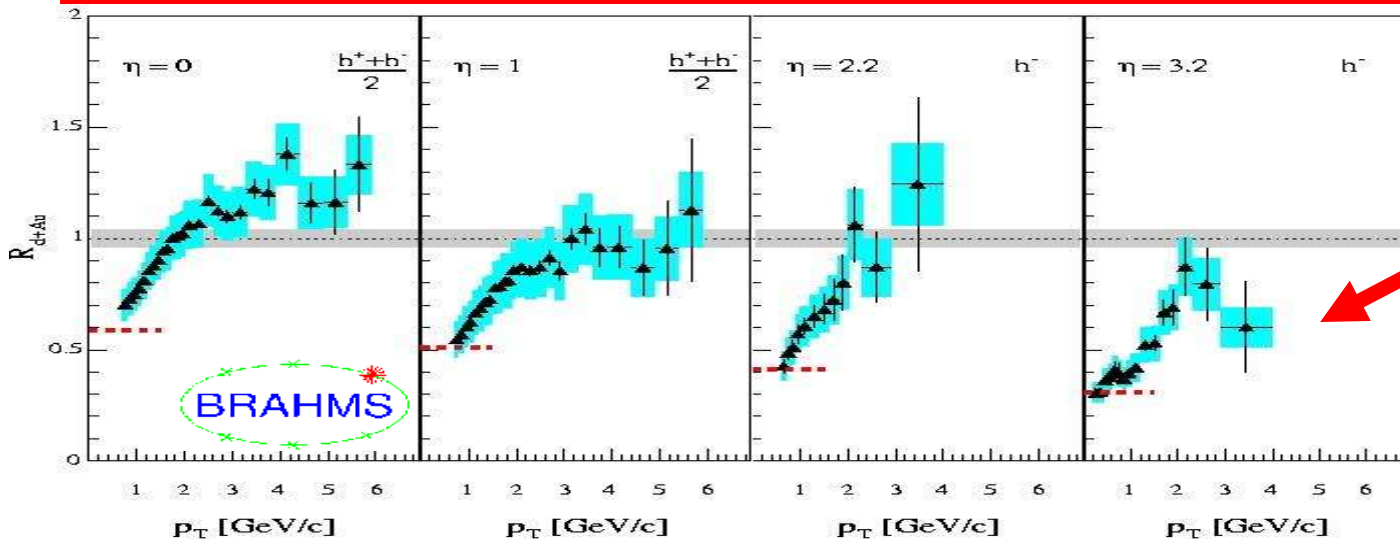
$$y > 3, Q^2 < Q_s^2 \approx 5 \text{ GeV}^2/c^2$$

- pQCD factorization breakdown
- non-linear evolution (g fusion)
- strong nuclear effects in the initial-state

(2 → 2) $x_T = p_T / \sqrt{s} (e^{-y} + e^y)$

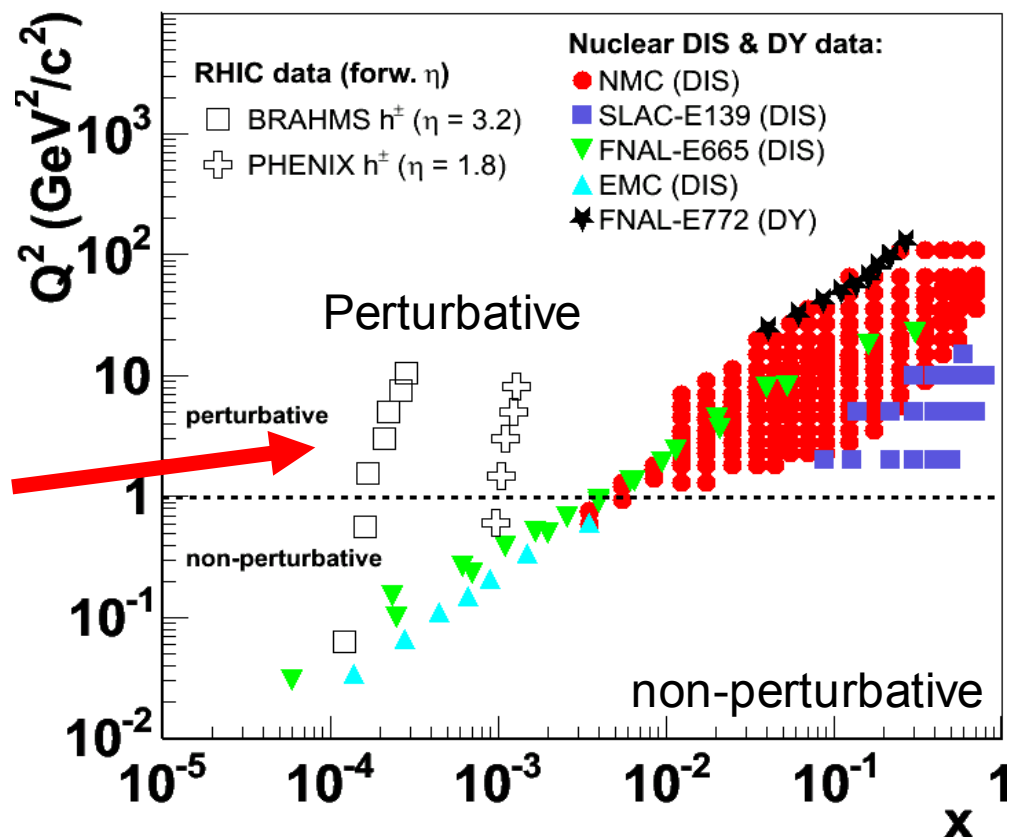
x small: Look forward in rapidity !

d+Au @ 200 GeV ($\eta = 3.2$): forward suppression !



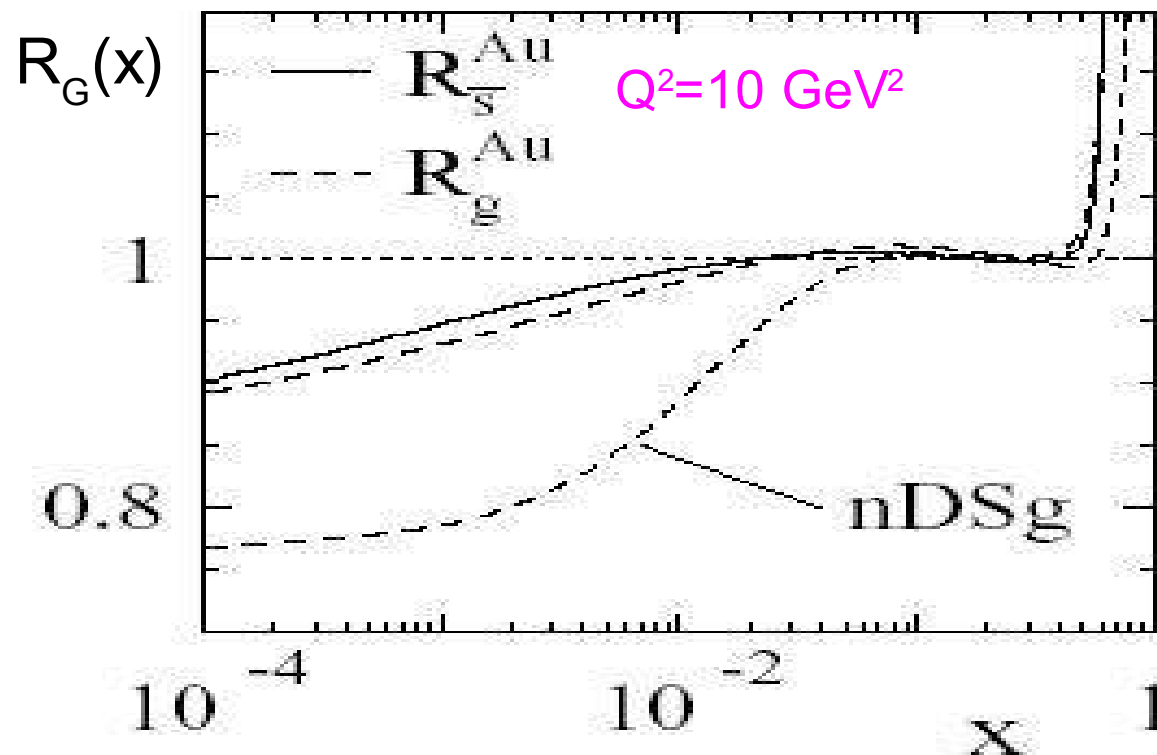
● Factor ~ 2 suppression $p_T = 1-3$ GeV/c hadron production at $\eta = 3.2$ ($x_2 \sim 10^{-4}$ in Au).

- First time a large “shadowing” is seen at small- x and high p_T in nuclear syst.
- So far unexplored perturbative region of nuclear (x, Q^2) plane.



Is this “standard” nuclear shadowing ?

- Maximum gluon shadowing at $x \sim 10^{-4}$ (indirectly) constrained by leading-twist approaches fitted to available DIS data on nuclear targets is ~ 0.8

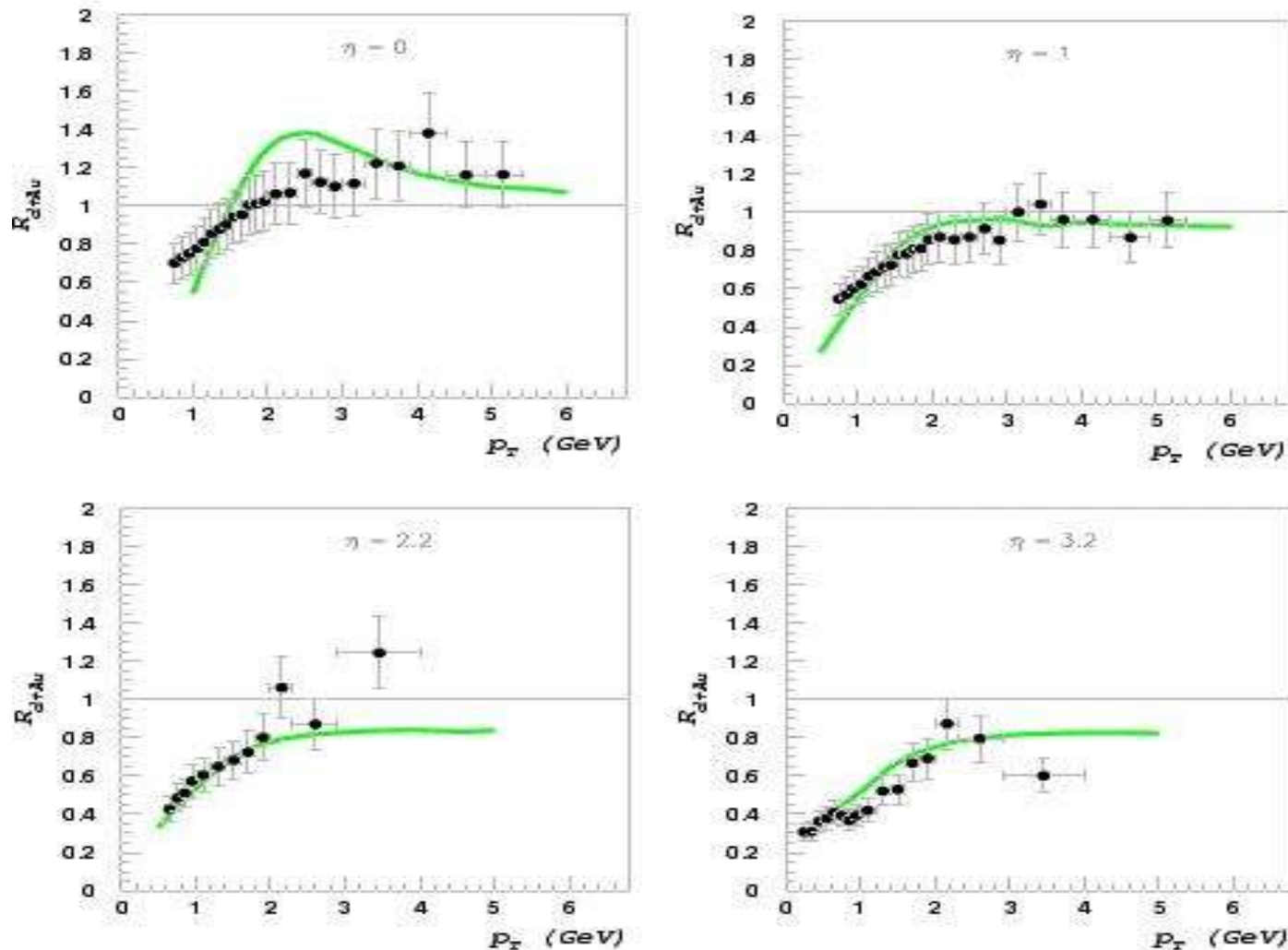


NLO DGLAP global analysis
of nuclear PDFs

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hep-ph/0311227

Is this “Color Glass Condensate” ?

- CGC + quantum evolution seem to reproduce data:



(K. Tuchin)

- Possible hint of **extra higher-twist** effects at small-x (**breakdown of QCD factorization**). But, soft physics effects can still be playing a role here ...

Summary

High p_T central Au+Au vs p+p at midrapidity at RHIC:

- (1) Inclusive spectra **suppressed** by a **factor of 4-5 at 200 GeV** and by a **factor of ~ 3 at 62.4 GeV**
- (2): Intermediate p_T **hadron composition** inconsistent with known fragmentation functions in free space.
- (3) Disappearance of away-side jet correlations. Enhanced **mono-jet** pattern following line of longest path.

High p_T d+Au vs p+p at midrapidity at RHIC:

- (4) Spectra **enhanced** by a factor ~ 1.3

“Explanation” (1,2 via 4): pQCD hard scattering + **final-state parton energy loss + quark recombination** in dense thermal QCD medium.
QGP ? : thermal γ ?, J/ Ψ suppression ? (Run-4 AuAu @ 200 GeV)

High p_T in d+Au at forward rapidities at RHIC:

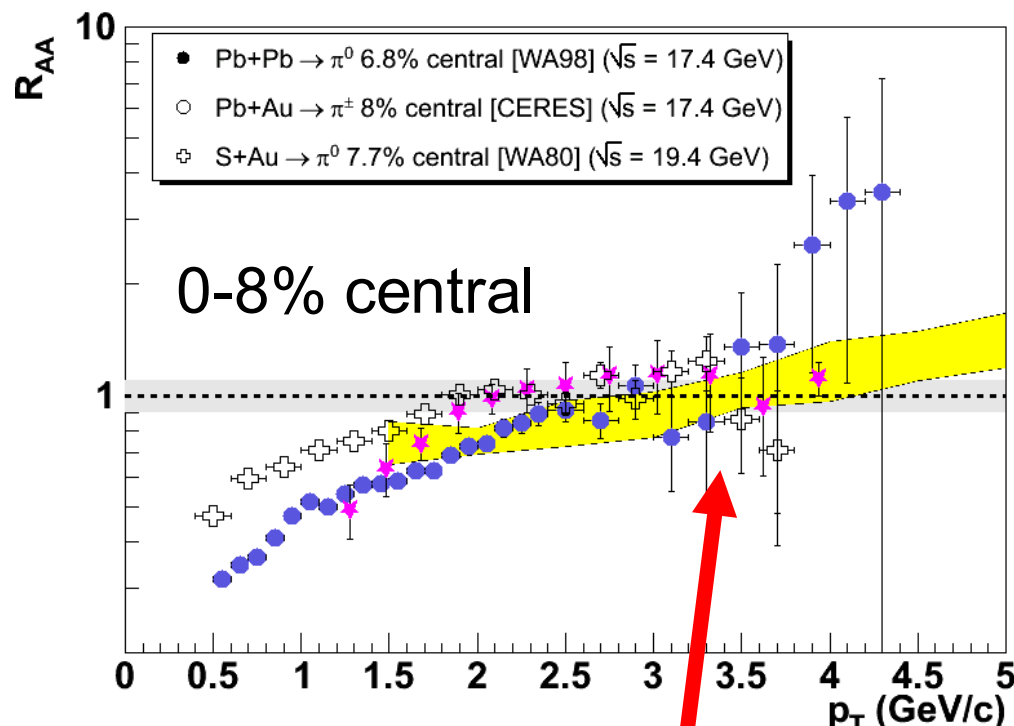
- (5) Spectra suppressed by a factor ~ 2 .

“Explanation” : **possible** evidence of **higher twist effects** at small-x.

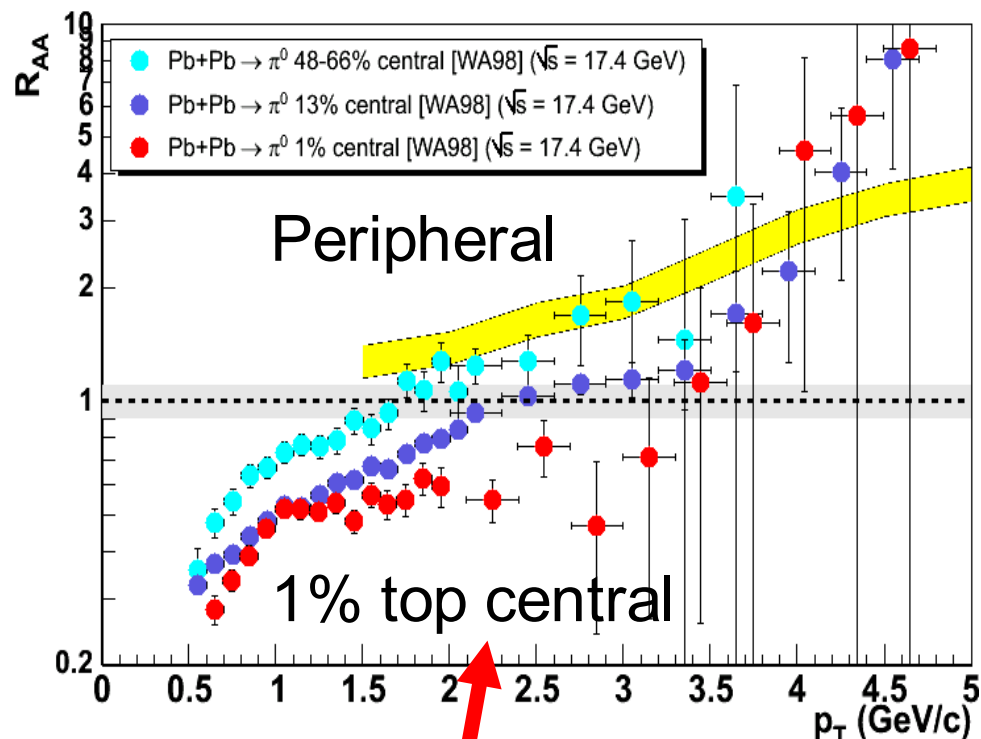
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High p_T @ CERN-SPS: “Cronin” or “quenching” ?

- New nuclear modification factor (better $p+p \rightarrow \pi^0$ ref. @ $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 17.3$ GeV)



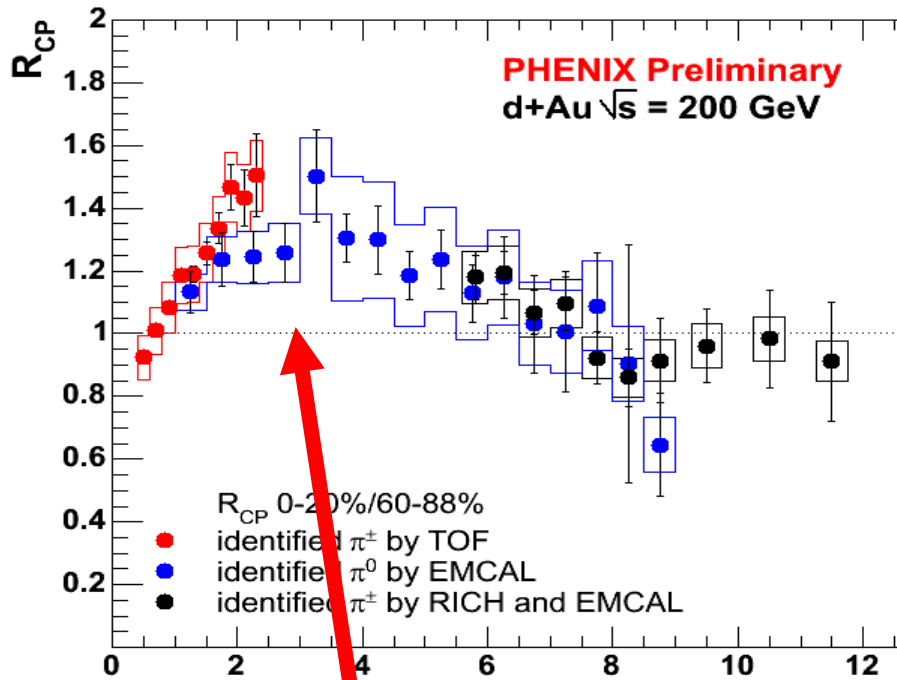
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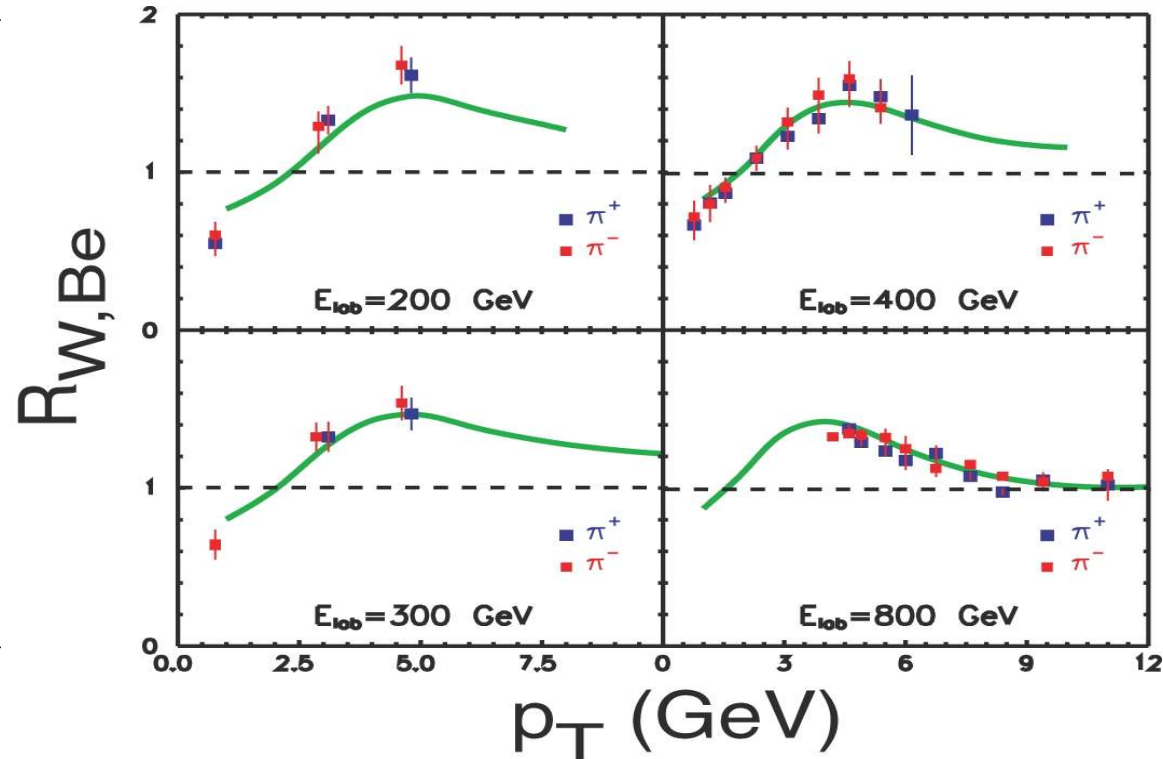
- No “Cronin” effect in central collisions ($R_{AA} \sim 1$).
- “Cronin” enhancement in peripheral ... and suppression in top central ?
- Look for onset of suppression at RHIC Au+Au, p+p @ $\sqrt{s_{NN}} \approx 20$ GeV ?

d+Au nuclear modification factor (at $y=0$)

d+Au @ $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV



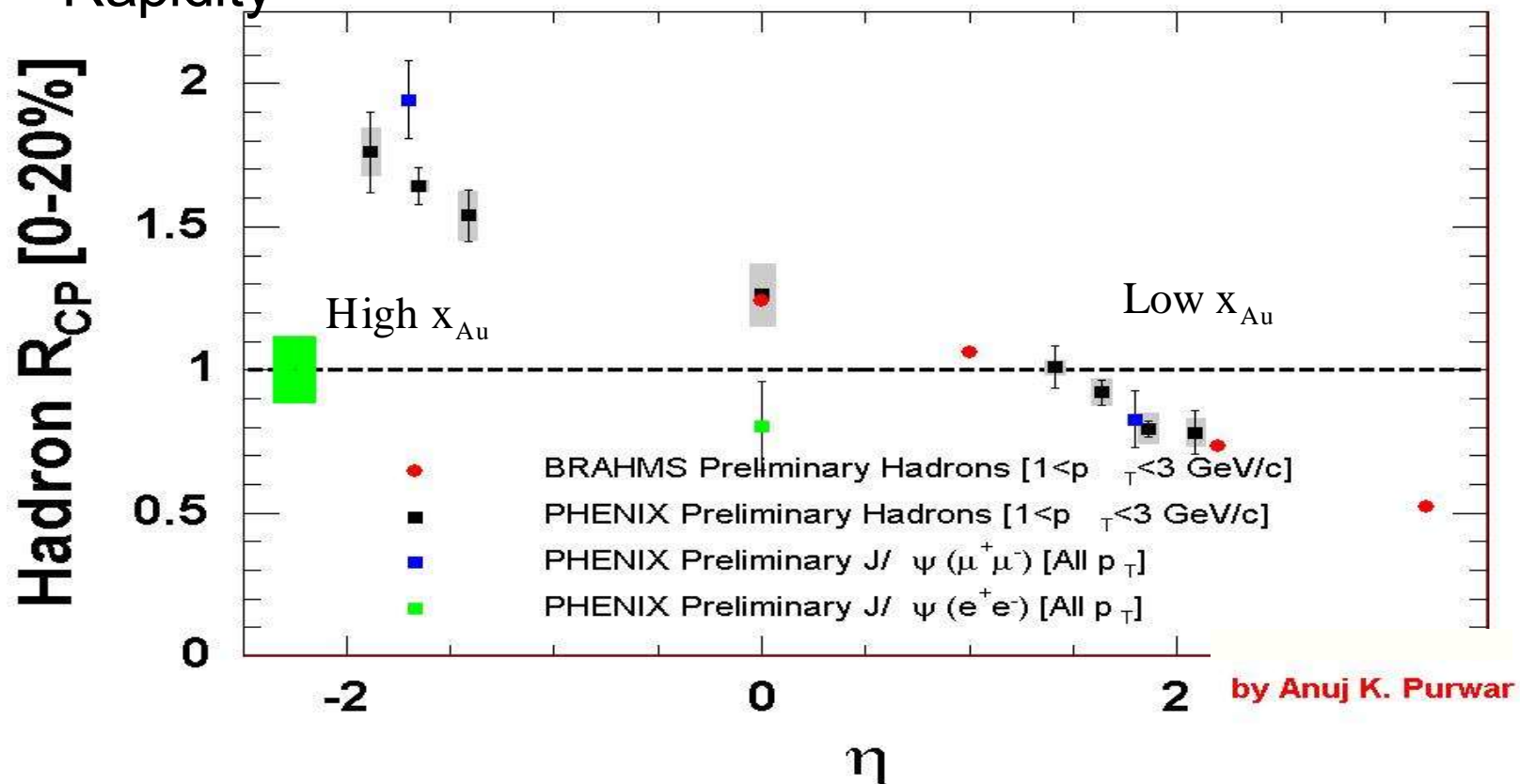
p+A @ $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 20 - 40$ GeV



- High p_T production in d+Au not suppressed but **enhanced!** $R_{dAu} > 1$ as in p+A “**Cronin enhancement**”:
 p_T broadening due to initial-state soft & semihard scattering.
- “pQCD” cross-sections ($R_{AA} \sim 1$) recovered at $p_T > 8$ GeV/c
- **No Au shadowing** effects in kinematic region probed ($y = 0$).

d+Au @ 200 GeV : rapidity dependence of suppression

● Rapidity



- Suppression at low x_{Au} (shadowing, saturation,..)
- Enhancement at high x_{Au} (Cronin, anti-shadowing,..)
- J/ψ behaves like other mesons

QCD factorization in A+B collisions

pQCD (factorization theorem) expectation for **inclusive A+B hard cross-sections**:

Independent scattering of “free” partons: $f_{a/A}(x, Q^2) = A f_{a/p}(x, Q^2)$

$$d\sigma_{AB \rightarrow \text{hard}} = A \cdot B \cdot d\sigma_{pp \rightarrow \text{hard}}$$

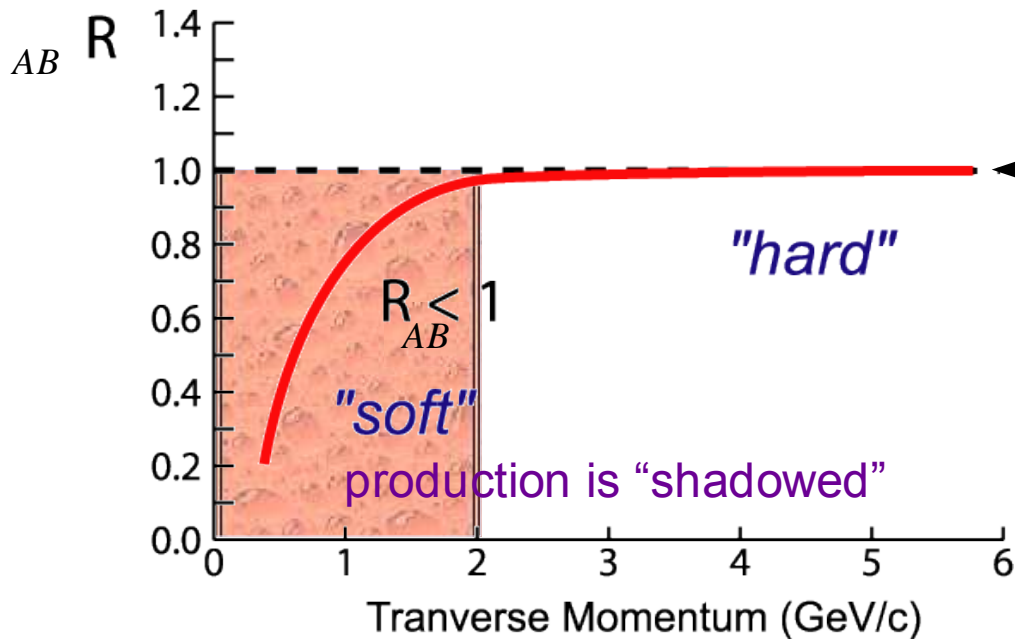
At imp. param. b :

$$dN_{AB \rightarrow \text{hard}}(b) = T_{AB}(b) \cdot d\sigma_{pp \rightarrow \text{hard}}$$

geom. nuclear overlap at b

Nuclear Modification Factor:

$$R_{AB}(p_T) = \frac{d^2 N_{AB}/dydp_T}{\langle T_{AB}(b) \rangle \cdot d^2 \sigma_{pp}/dydp_T}$$



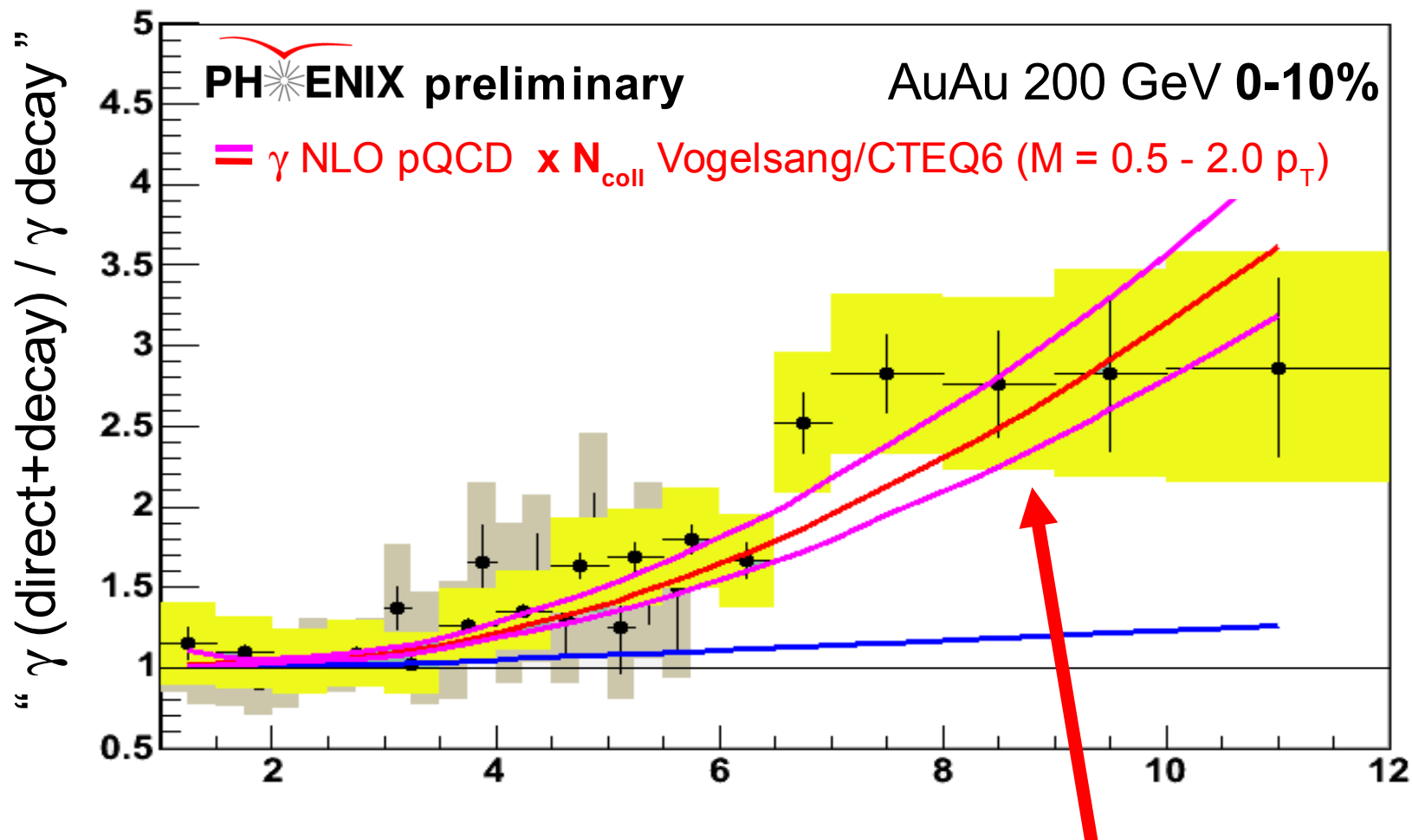
$T_{AB} \sim \# \text{ NN colls. ("N}_{\text{coll}} \text{ scaling")}$

$R_{AA} = 1$

A+A = “simple superposition of p+p collisions” at high- p_T where hard scattering dominates

Confirmation... unsuppressed hard colorless production in Au+Au central

- “Control” observable: **direct photons** (clean, penetrating = directly coupled to partonic vertex, no fragmentation) **non-hadronic hard probes**.



Photons (insensitive to final-state effects) show collision scaling at high p_T :

- pQCD parton scattering holds for hard processes in central Au+Au !