

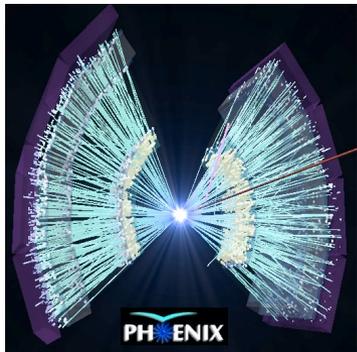
# Can the QGP be found using only an ElectroMagnetic Calorimeter ?

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The Short Answer is:  
Almost.  
Also need tracking to  
detect electrons...

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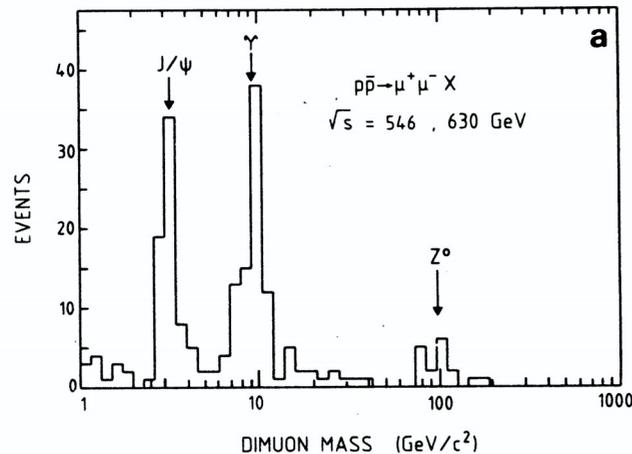
# How to discover the QGP

- The Classical road to success in RHI Physics: J/Ψ Suppression

## The Road To Success in HEP

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$p_T(\mu) \geq 3 \text{ GeV}/c$ , UA1 Phys. Lett. B186, 237 (1987)

## The Road To Success in HIP

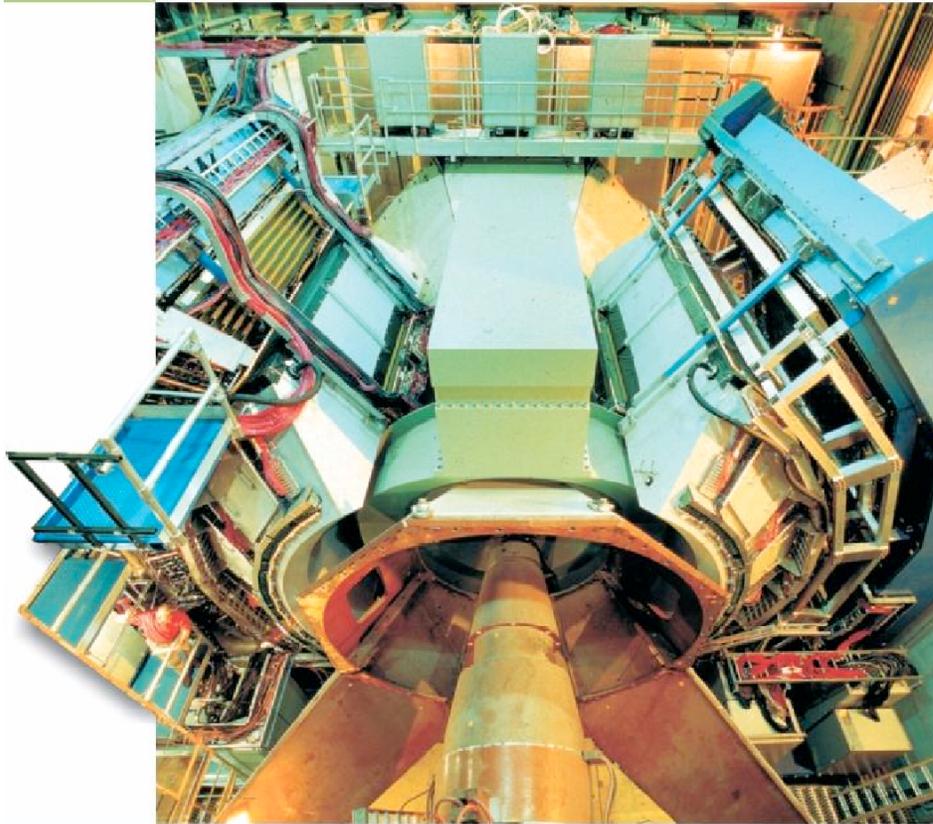


- Major background for  $e^\pm$  detection is photons and conversions from  $\pi^0$ . **but more importantly**
- Need an electron trigger for full J/Ψ detection  $\Rightarrow$  EMCal plus electron ID at trigger level.
- High  $p_T \pi^0$  and direct  $\gamma$  production and two-particle correlations are the way to measure hard-scattering in RHI collisions where jets can not be detected directly---> segmentation of EMCal must be sufficient to distinguish  $\pi^0$  and direct  $\gamma$  up to 25 GeV/c (also vital for spin)
- Charm measurement via single  $e^\pm$  (Discovered by CCRS experiment at CERN ISR)

# “Mike, is there a ‘real collider detector’ at RHIC?---J. Steinberger ”

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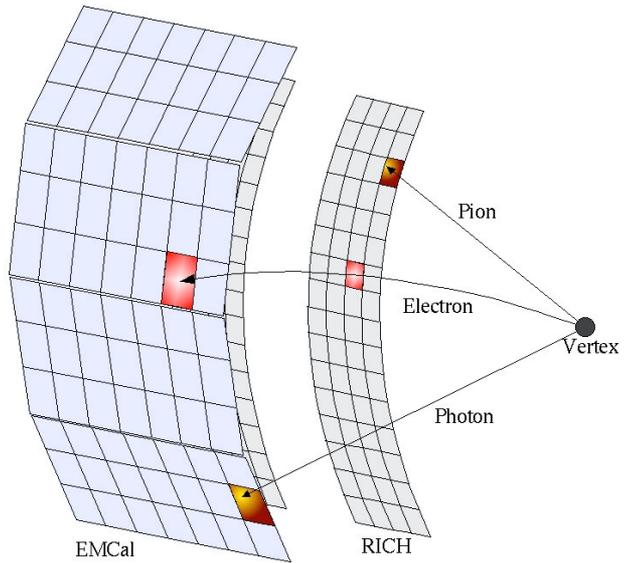
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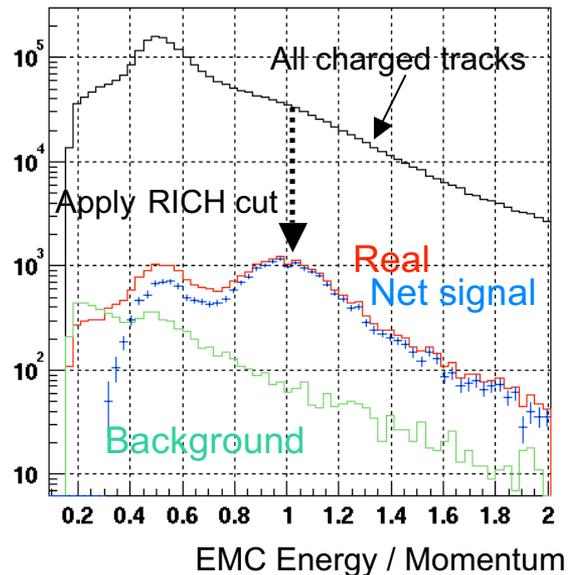
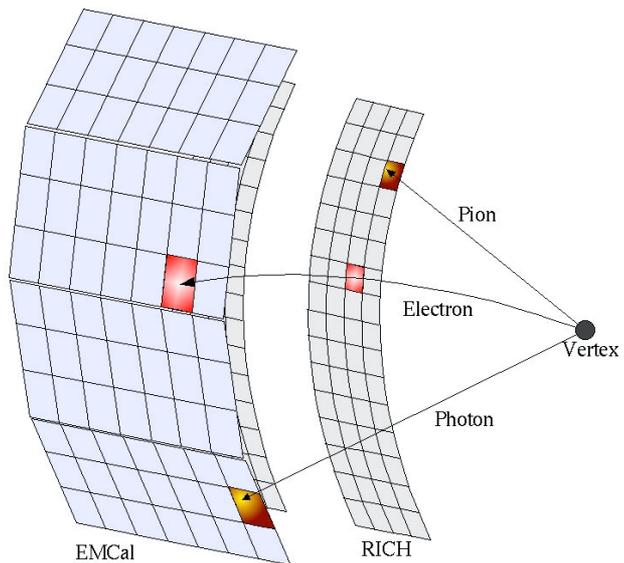
Nuclear matter in extremis

- PHENIX is picturesque because it is not your father's solenoid collider detector
- Special purpose detector designed and built to measure *rare processes involving leptons and photons at the highest luminosities.*

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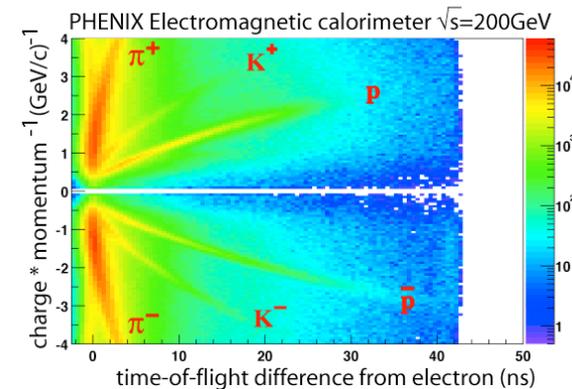
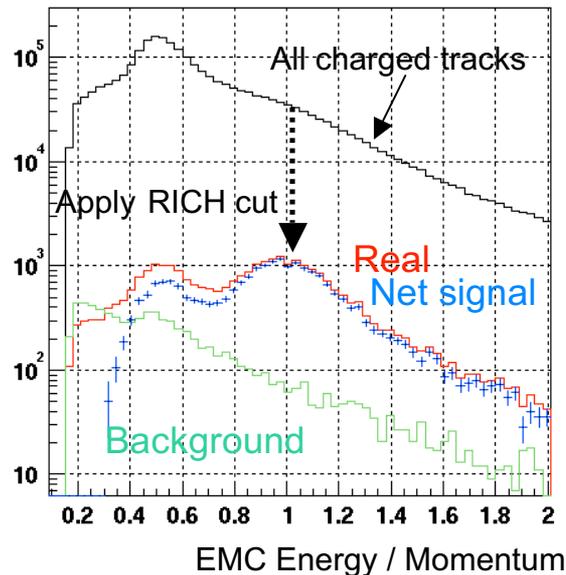
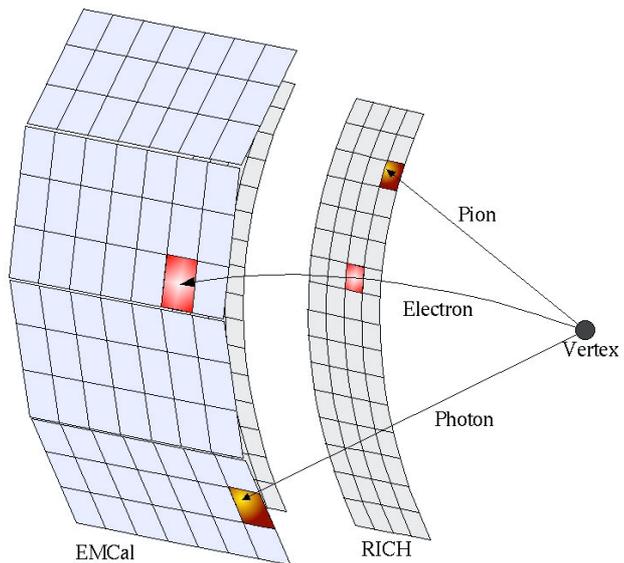


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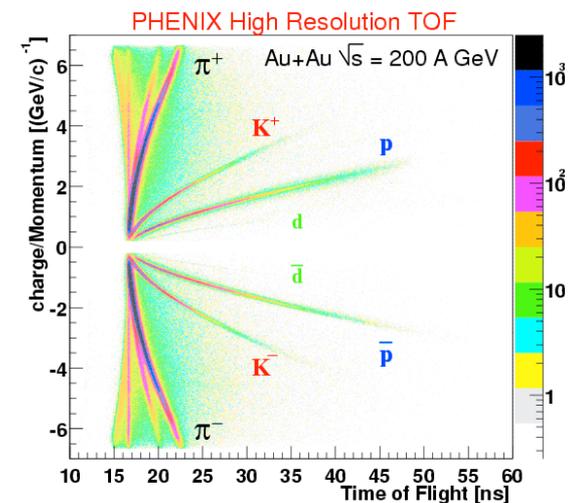
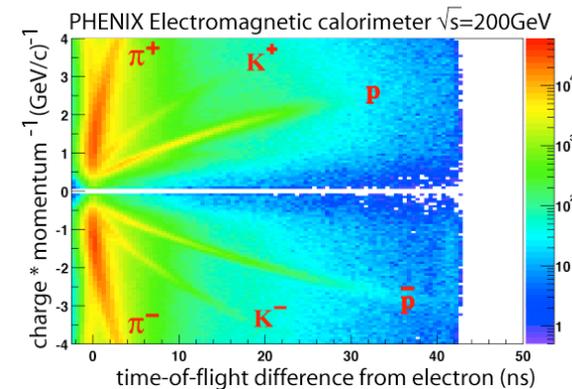
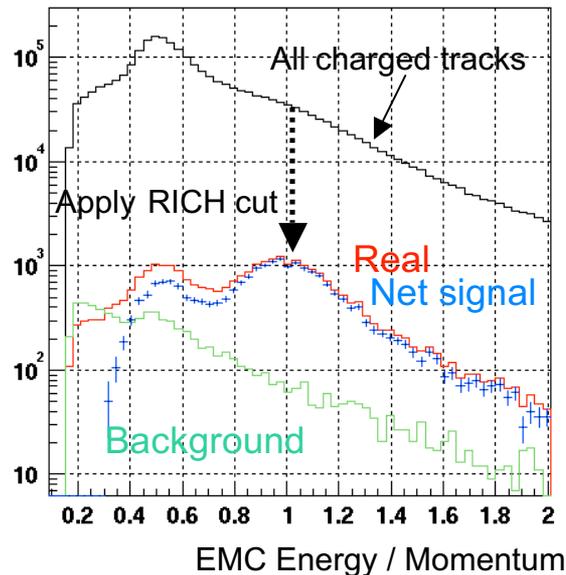
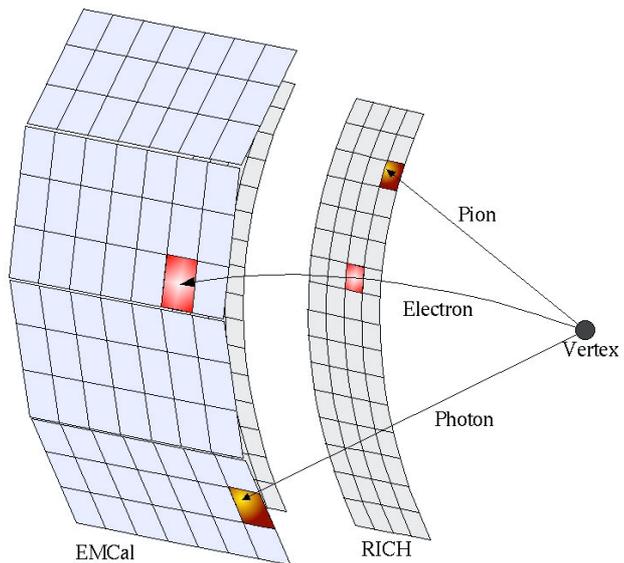
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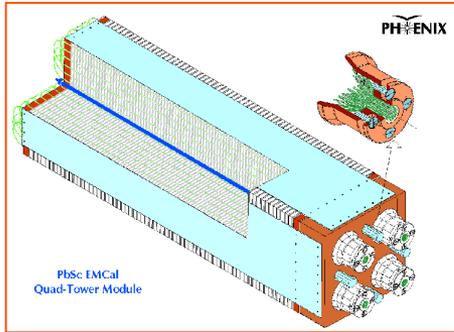
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# PHENIX EMCal

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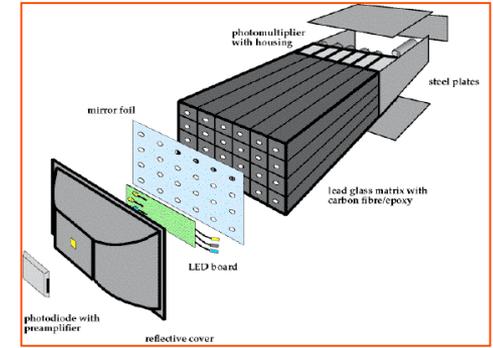
PbSc Sector



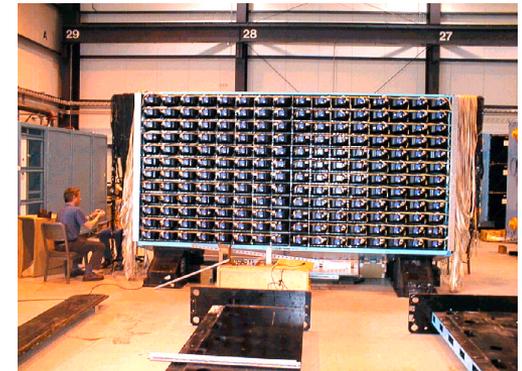
6 PbSc sectors (15,552 channels)  
 2 PbGl sectors (9,216 channels)  
 $\eta = \pm 0.38 \Delta\varphi = 8 \times 22.5^\circ = 180^\circ$

6 PbSc sectors	2 PbGl sectors
Granularity ( $\delta\eta \times \delta\varphi$ )	
0.011 × 0.011	0.008 × 0.008
System Energy resolution (%)	
$10/\sqrt{E} \oplus 6.5$	$8.5/\sqrt{E} \oplus 9$
Position resolution, orthog. imp. (mm)	
$5.7/\sqrt{E} + 1.6$	$\approx 6/\sqrt{E}$
Timing resolution $\sigma_t$	
340 ps	600ps

Lead-Glass (PbGl) Super Module



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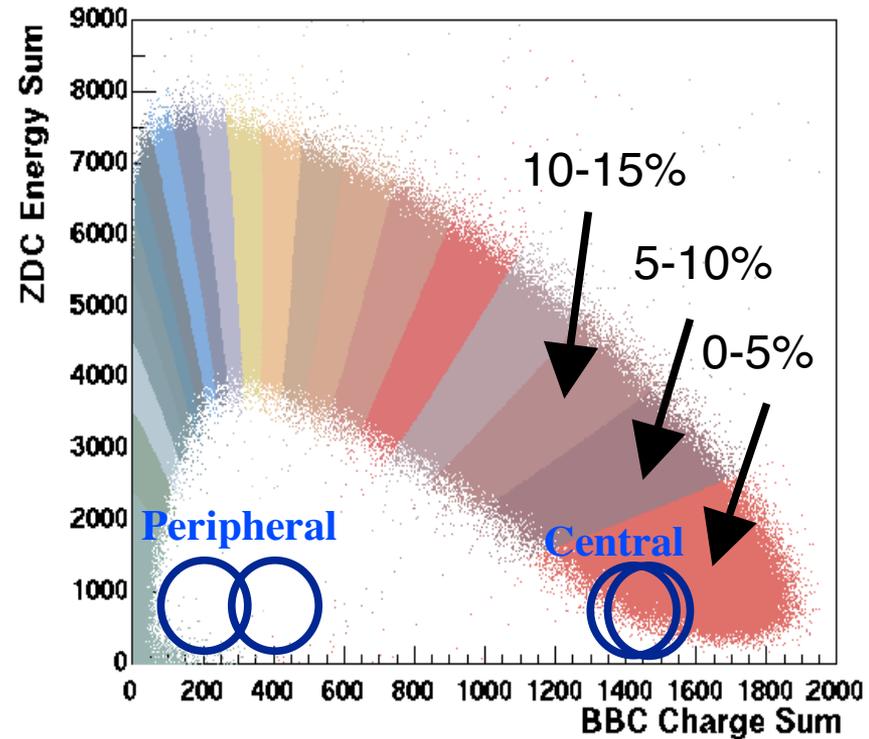
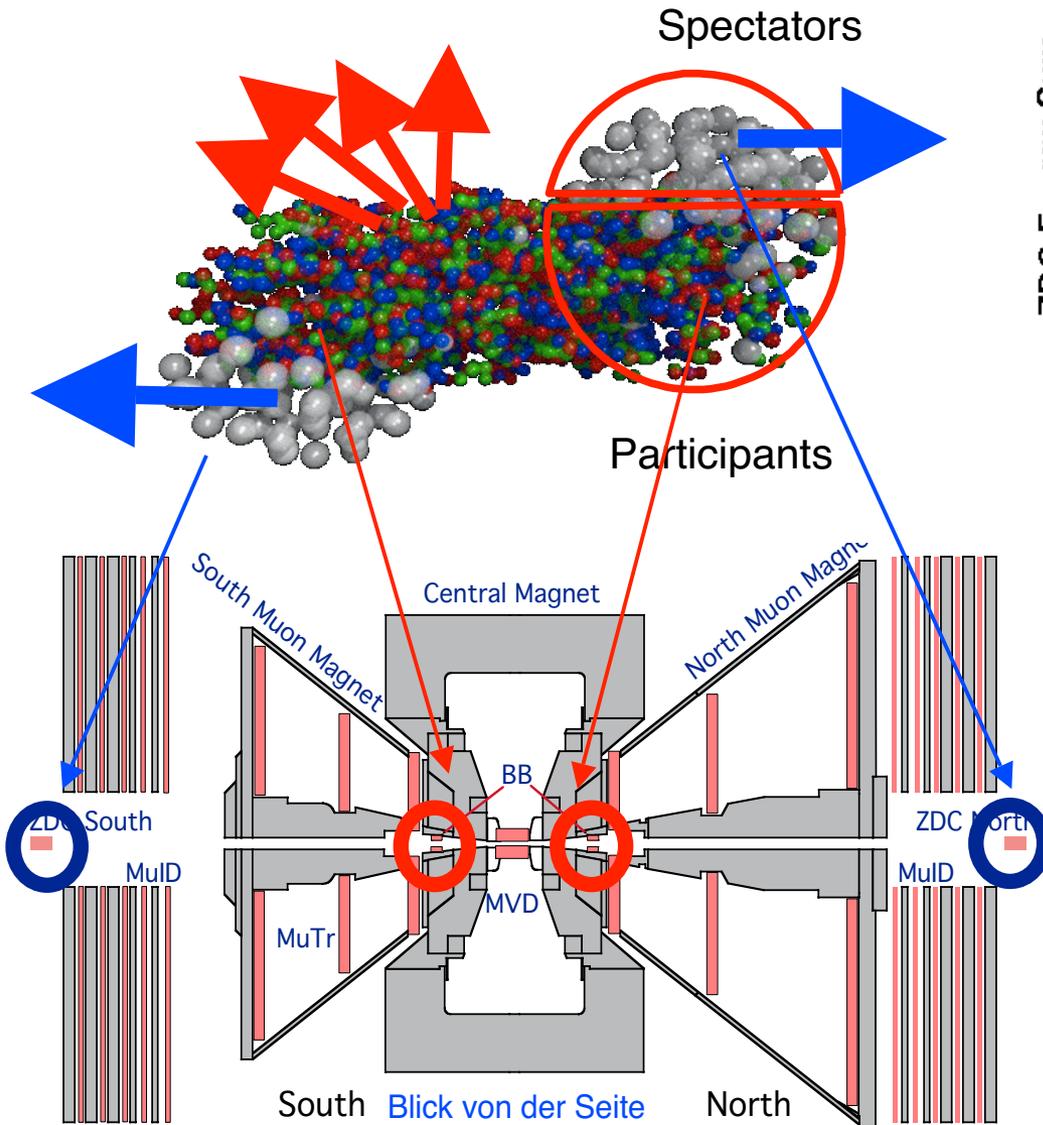


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separates  $\pi^0$  and direct  $\gamma$  up to  $>25 \text{ GeV}/c$

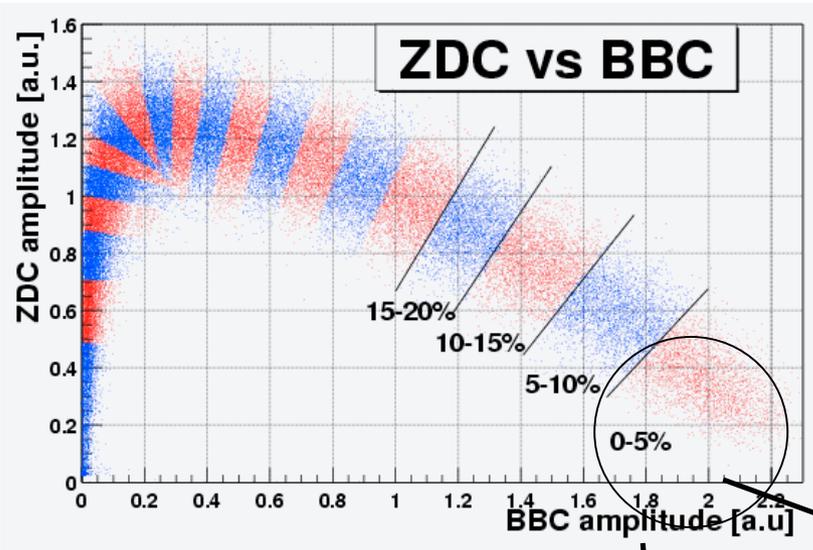
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# Collision Centrality Determination

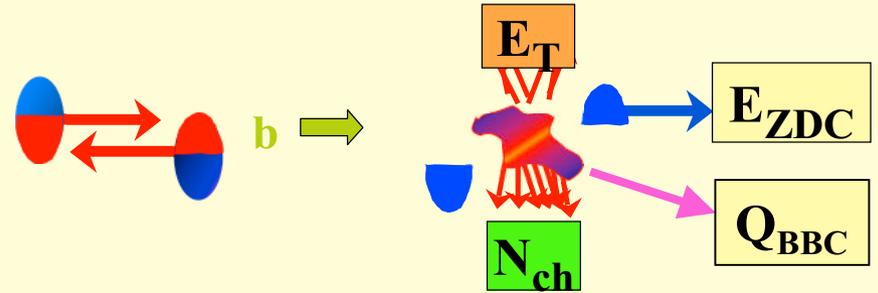


- Centrality selection : Sum of Beam-Beam Counter (BBC,  $|\eta|=3\sim 4$ ) and energy of Zero-degree calorimeter (ZDC)
- Extracted  $N_{\text{coll}}$  and  $N_{\text{part}}$  based on Glauber model.

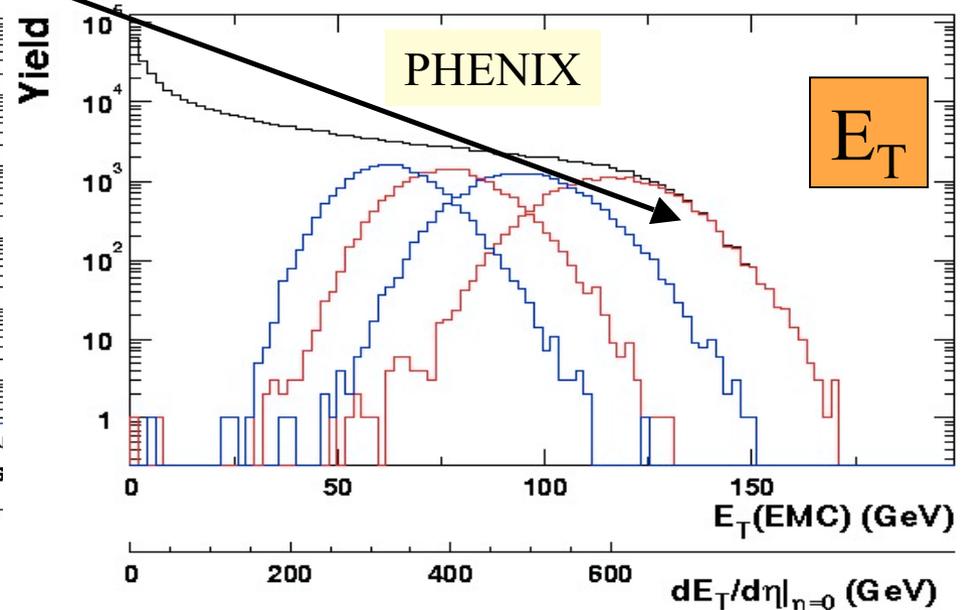
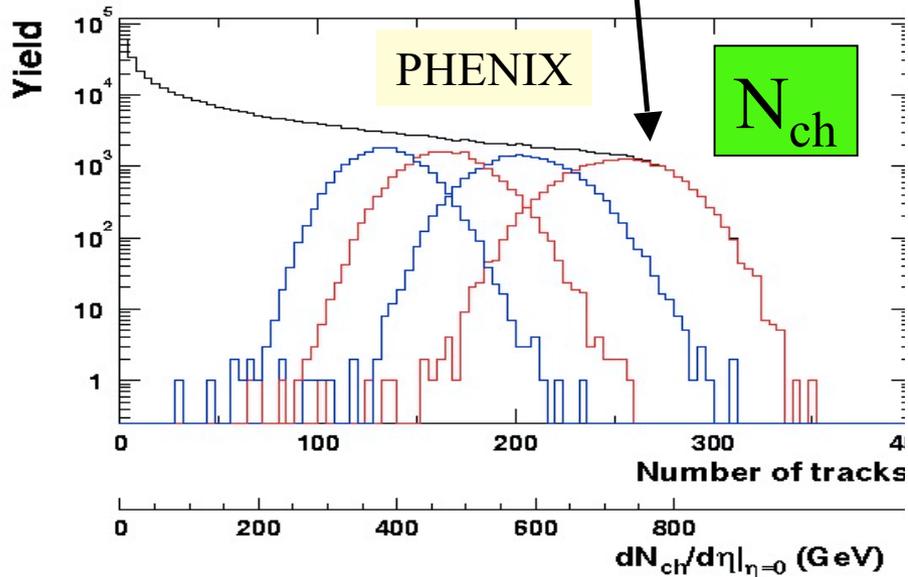
# $N_{\text{charged}}$ , $E_T$ exhibit (& could determine) the Nuclear Geometry



Define centrality classes: ZDC vs BBC

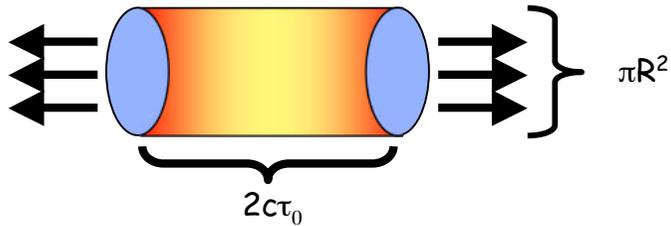


Extract  $N$  participants: Glauber model



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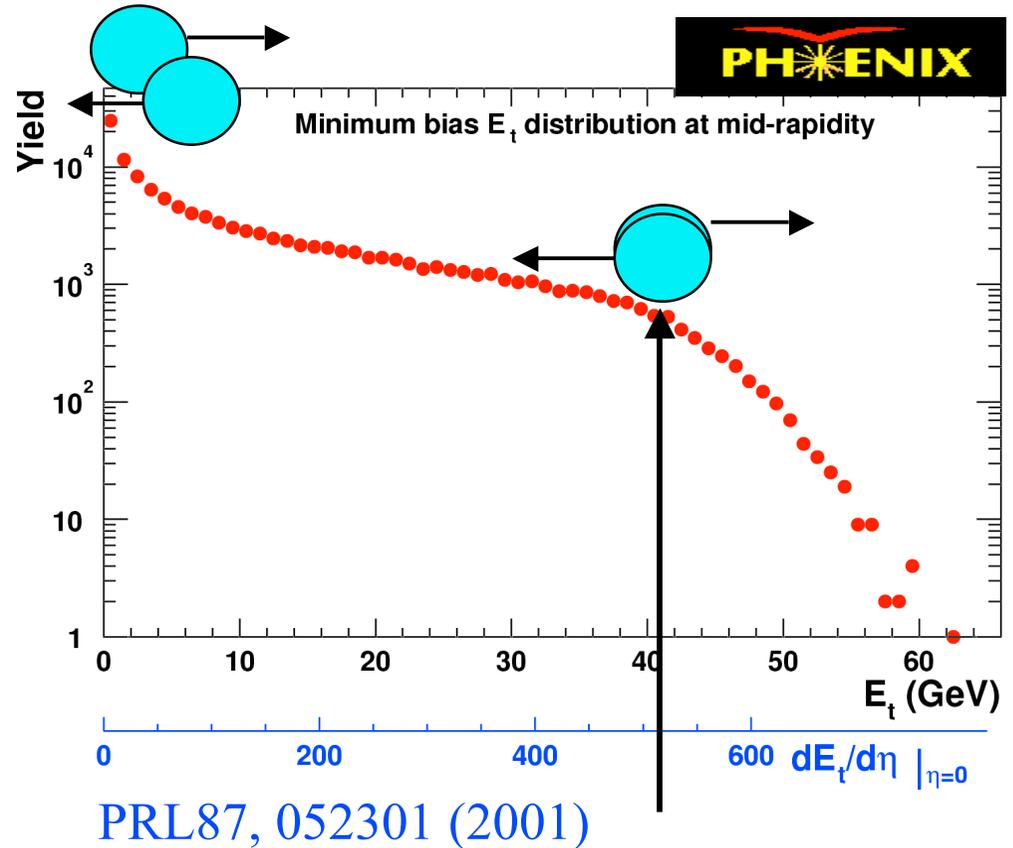
Colliding system expands:



Energy  $\perp$  to  
beam direction  $\downarrow$

$$\epsilon_{Bj} = \frac{1}{\pi R^2} \frac{1}{2c\tau_0} \left( 2 \frac{dE_T}{dy} \right)$$

per unit  
velocity  $\parallel$  to beam

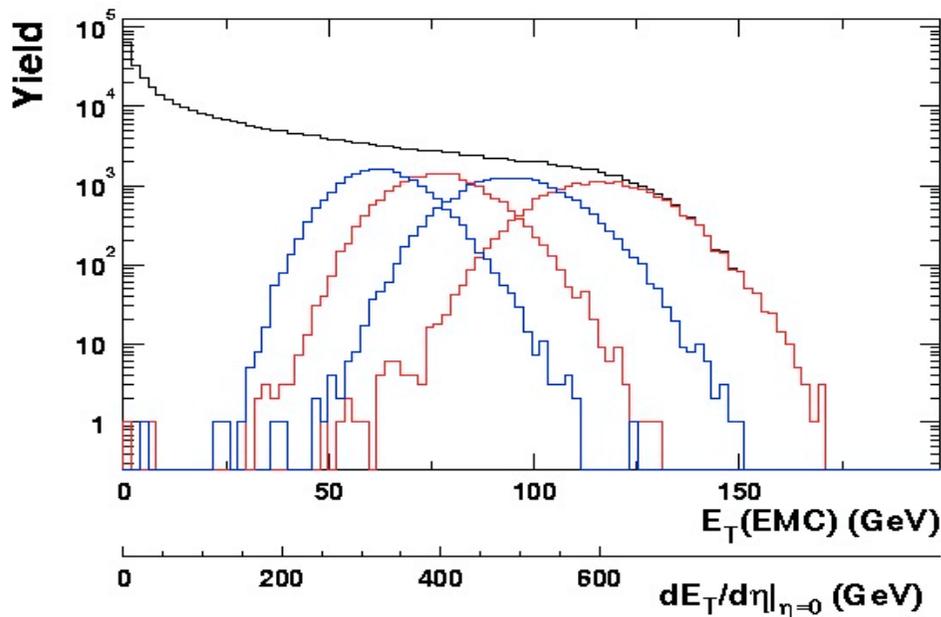


$\rightarrow \epsilon \geq 4.6 \text{ GeV}/\text{fm}^3$  (130 GeV Au+Au)

$5.5 \text{ GeV}/\text{fm}^3$  (200 GeV Au+Au)  
well above predicted transition!

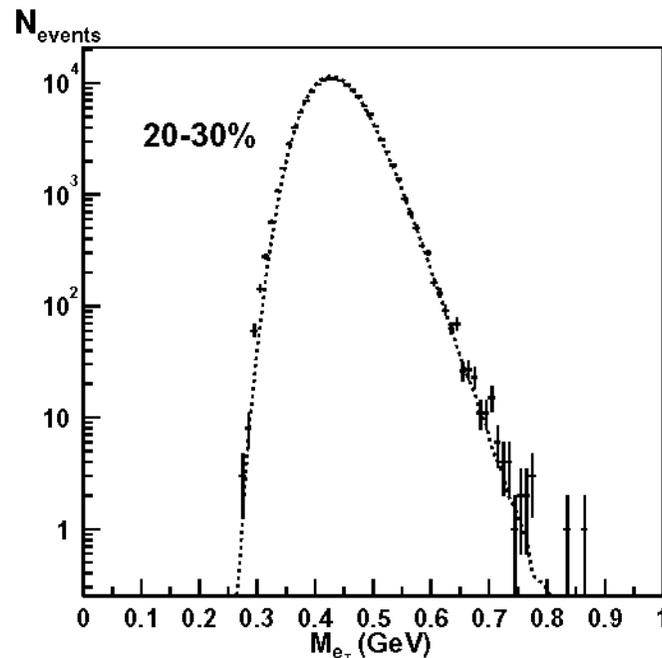
EMCal measures  $\epsilon_{Bj}$

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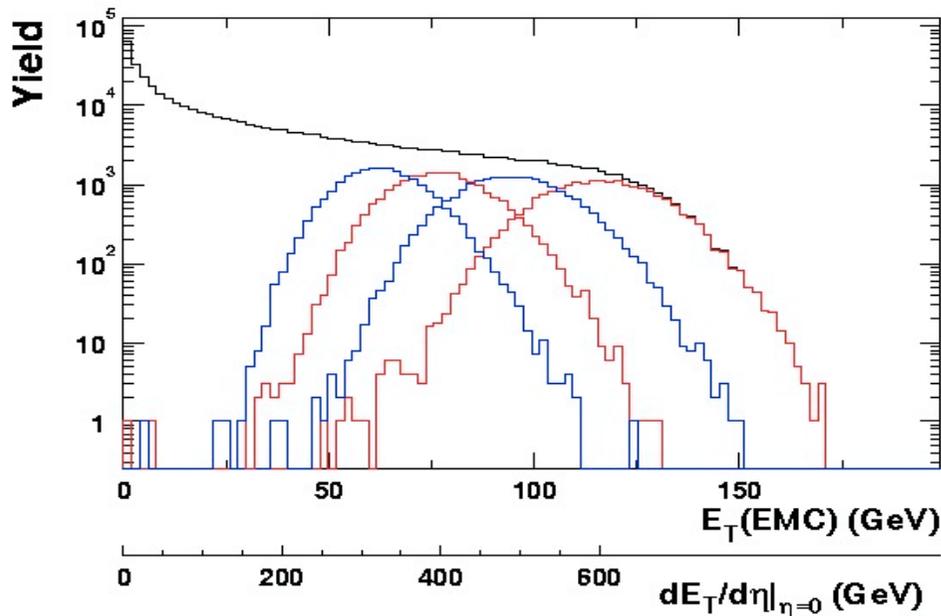
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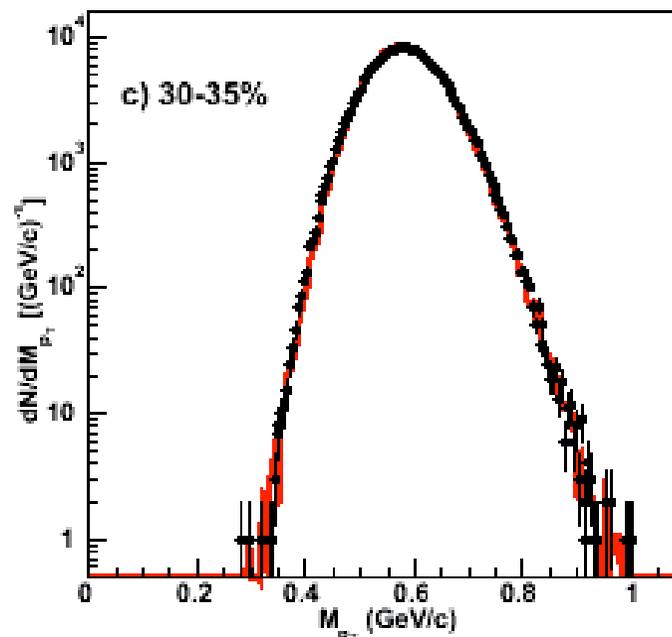
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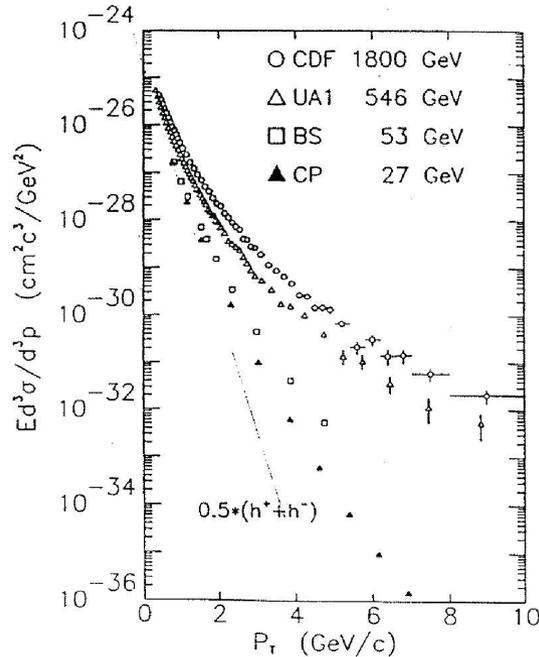
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# From 1998—My Best Bet on Discovering QGP

## Utilizes semi-Inclusive $\pi^0$ or $\pi^\pm$ production

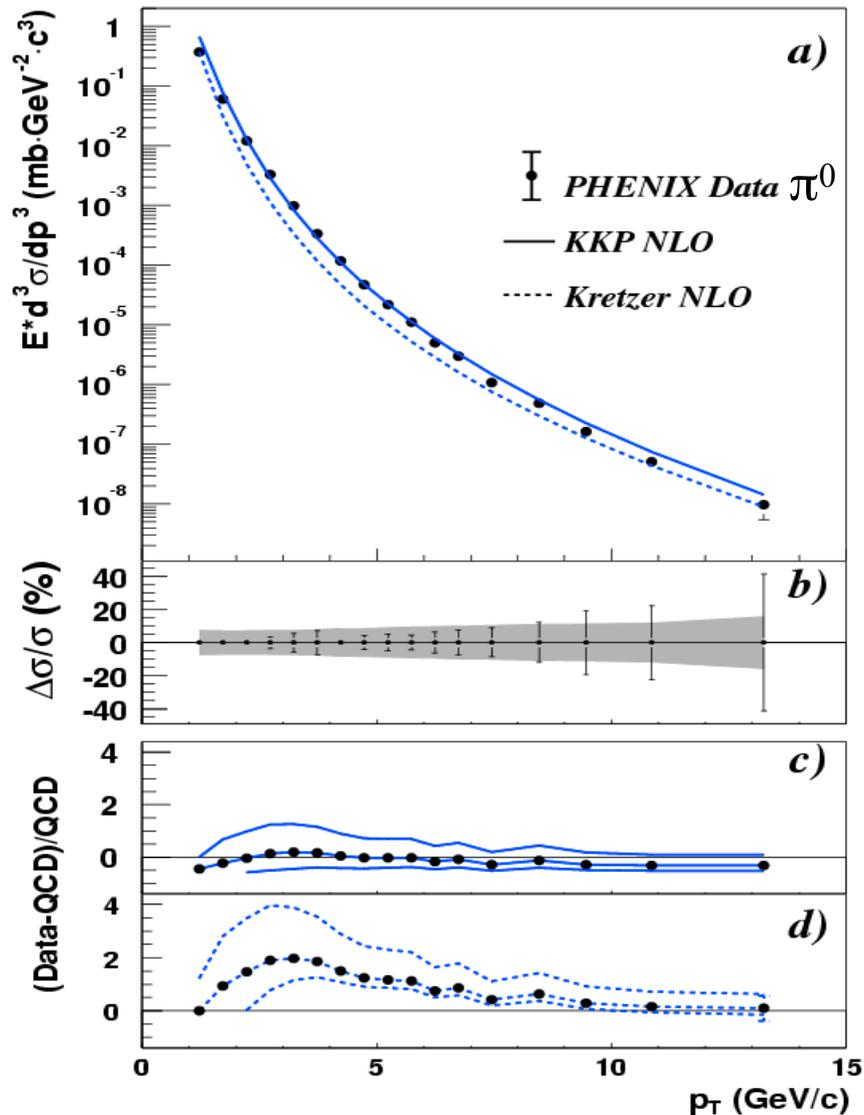


Invariant cross section for non-identified charged-averaged hadron production at  $90^\circ$  in the c.m. system as a function of the transverse momentum  $p_T$  tabulated by CDF for a range of C.M. energies  $\sqrt{s}$ . There is an exponential tail ( $e^{-6p_T}$ ) at low  $p_T$ , which depends very little on  $\sqrt{s}$ . This is the soft physics region, where the hadrons are fragments of ‘beam jets’. At higher  $p_T$  there is a power-law tail which depends very strongly on  $\sqrt{s}$ . This is the hard-scattering region, where the hadrons are fragments of the high  $p_T$  QCD jets from constituent-scattering. **My hope is that the QGP causes the high  $p_T$  quarks to lose all their energy and stop, so that the high  $p_T$  tail will ‘vanish’ for central Au+Au collisions**

In RHI central collisions, leading particles are the only way to find jets because in one unit of  $\Delta r$  there is  $\pi \times \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{dE_T}{d\eta} \sim 375$  GeV !!!.

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nicely illustrate hard scattering phenomenology

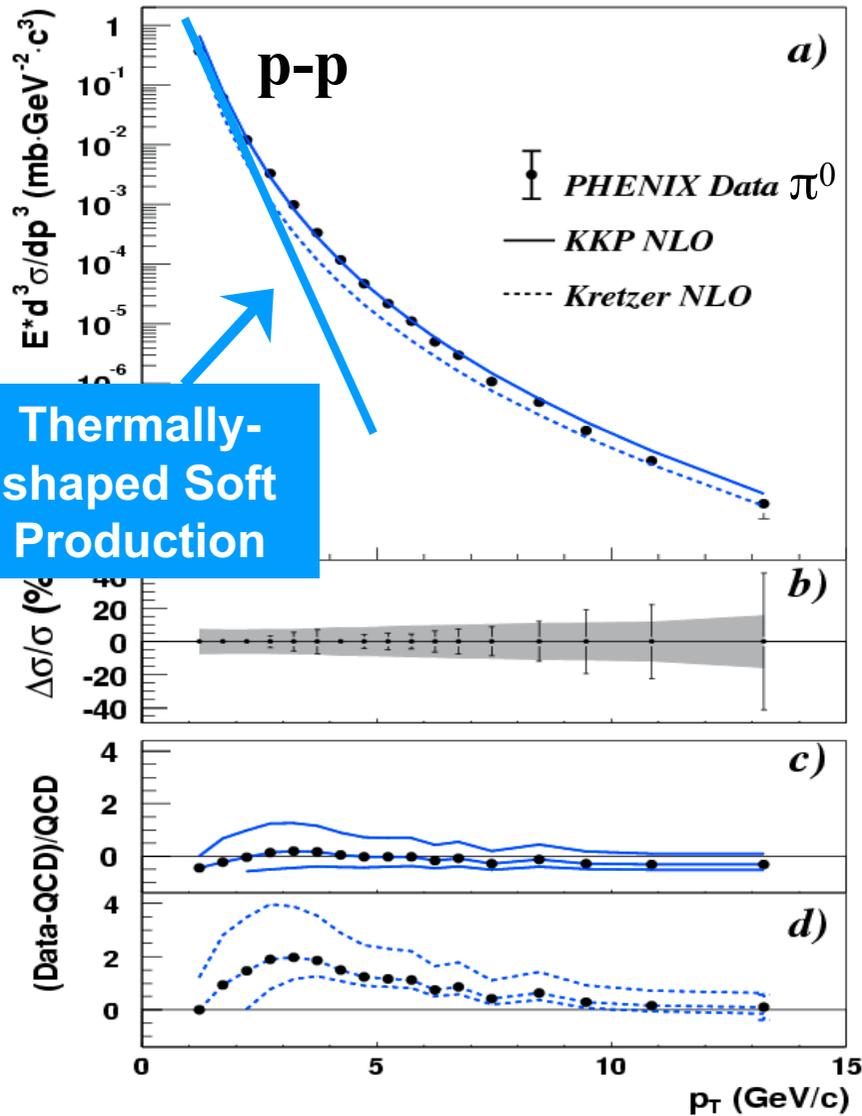


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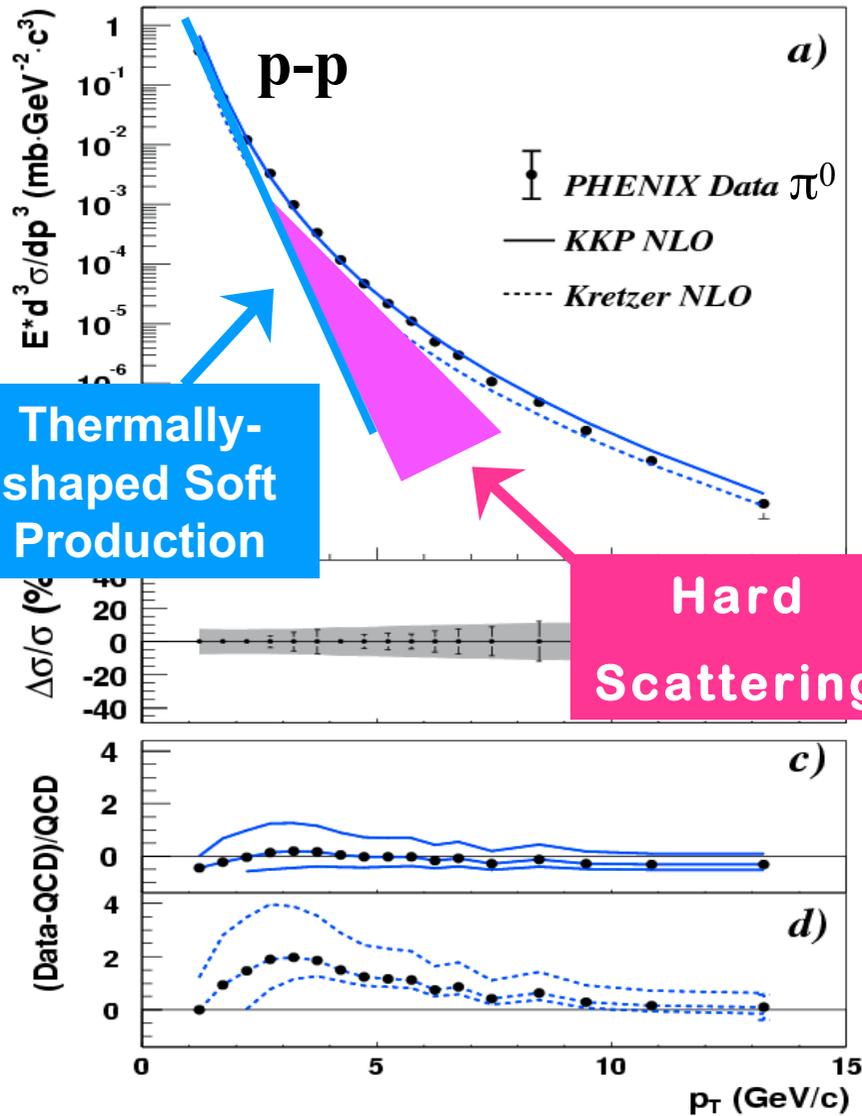


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# $\mu$ -A DIS at AGS (1973)--Hard-Scattering is pointlike

*E. Gabathuler, Total cross-section*

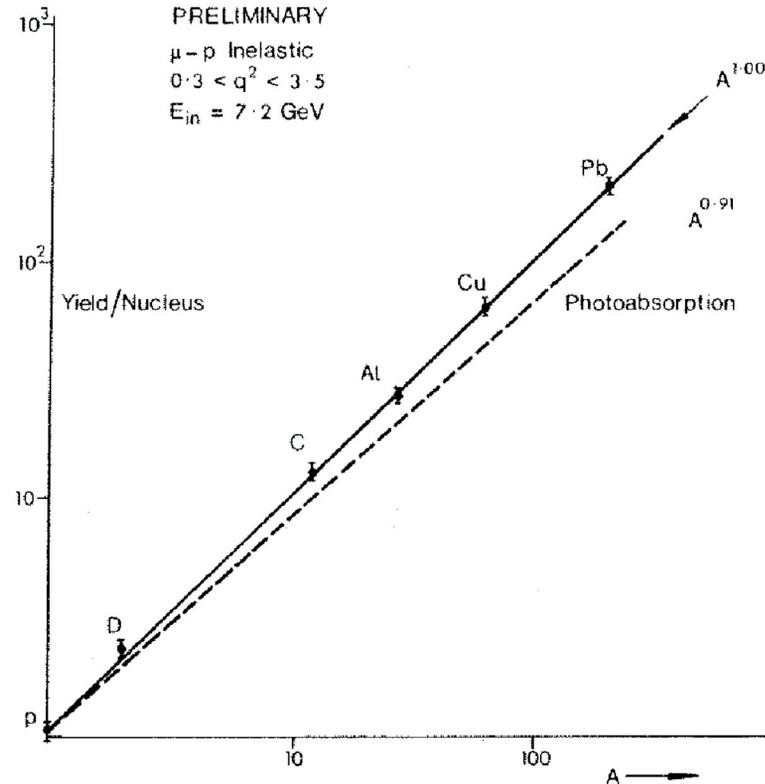


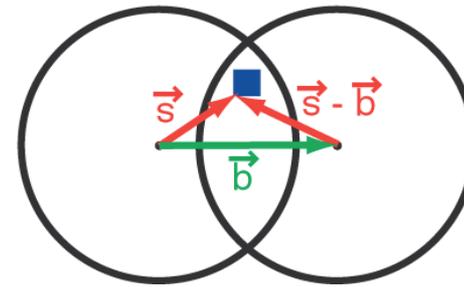
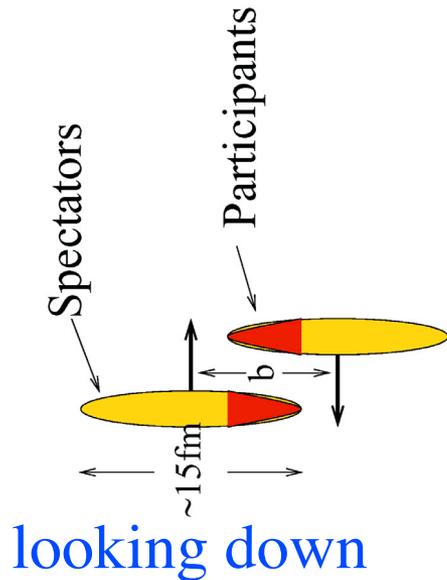
Fig. 14. The  $A$  dependence of the inelastic muon cross-section as presented by Tannenbaum (see discussion).

AGS  $\mu$ - $A$  scattering data, from E. Gabathuler's talk, [[Proc. 6th Int. Symposium on Electron and Photon Interactions at High Energies, Bonn \(1973\)](#)].

♡ DIS is pointlike  $A^{1.00}$  even at modest  $q^2$ —no shadowing.

♡ Photoproduction is shadowed— $A^{0.91}$

# High $p_T$ in A+B collisions--- $T_{AB}$ Scaling



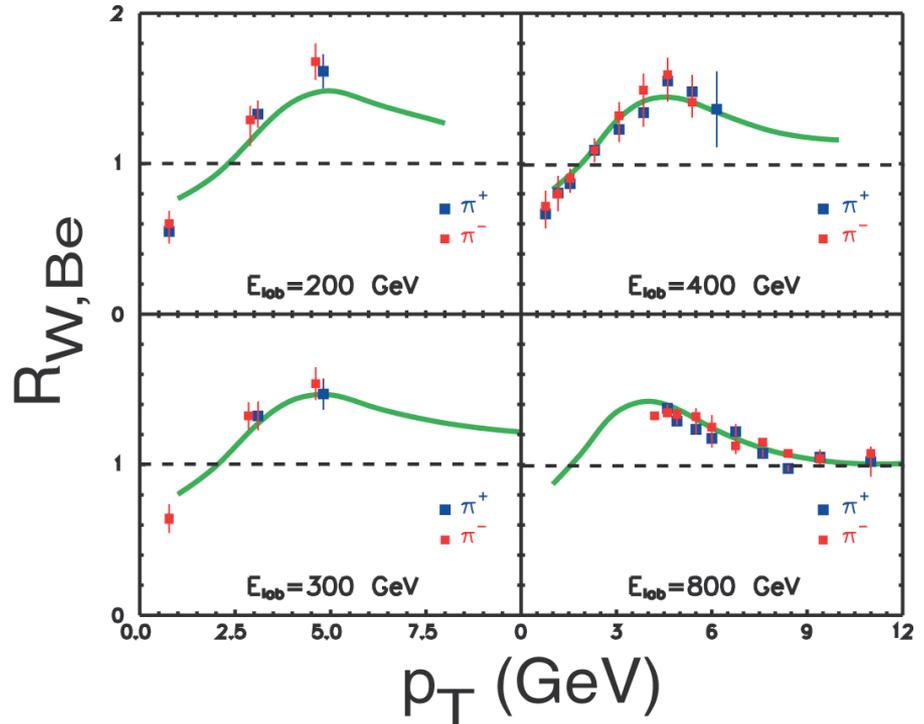
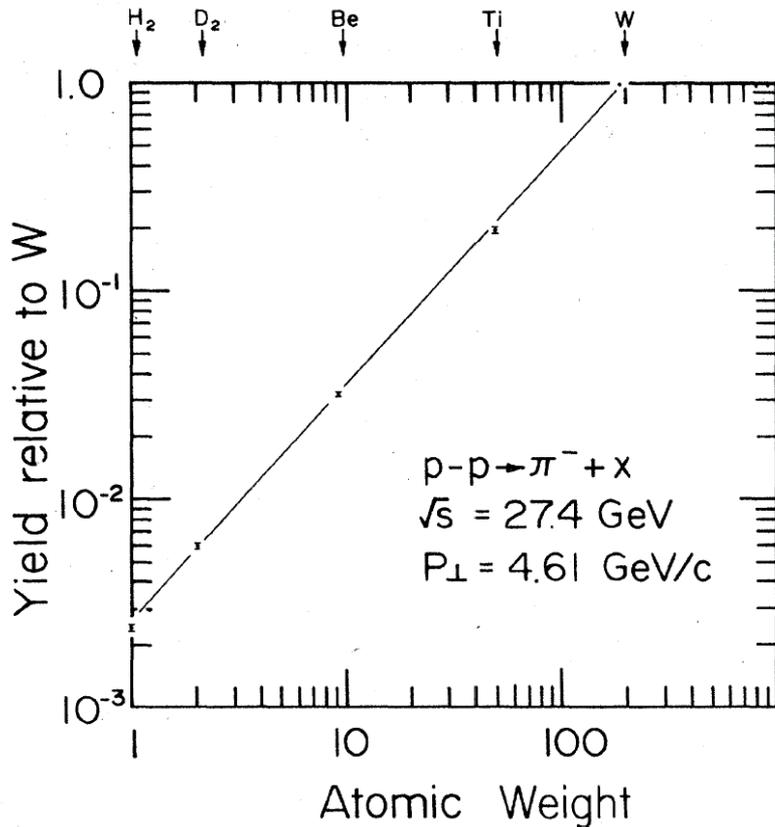
view along beam axis

- For point-like processes, the cross section in p+A or A+B collisions compared to p-p is simply proportional to the relative number of pointlike encounters
  - ✓ A for p+A, AB for A+B for the total rate
  - ✓  $T_{AB}$  the overlap integral of the nuclear profile functions, as a function of impact parameter b

# What really Happens for $p+A: R_A > 1!$

The anomalous nuclear enhancement a.k.a. the Cronin effect-- due to multiple scattering of initial nucleons (or constituents)

- Known since 1975 that yields increase as  $A^\alpha$ ,  $\alpha > 1$



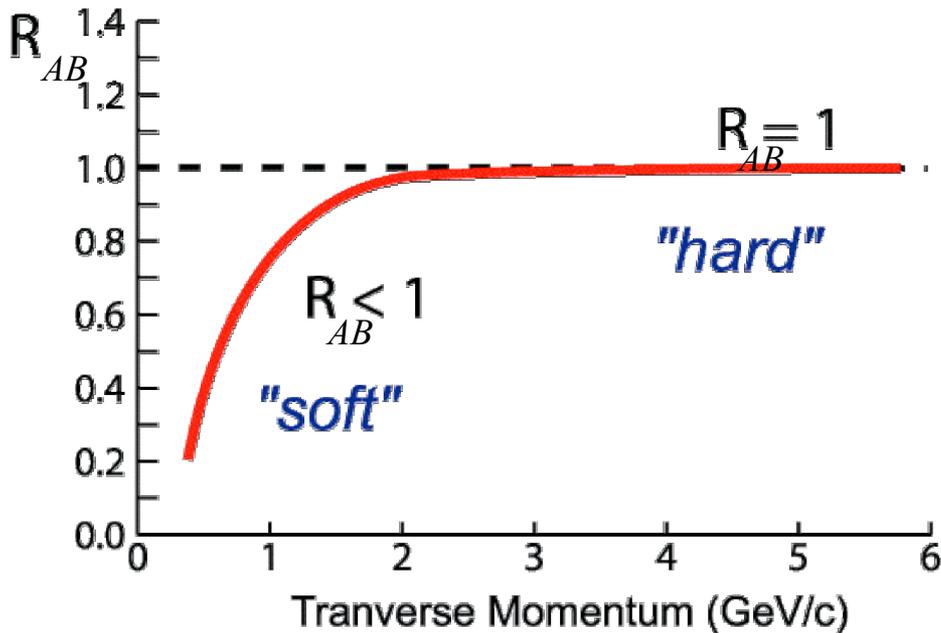
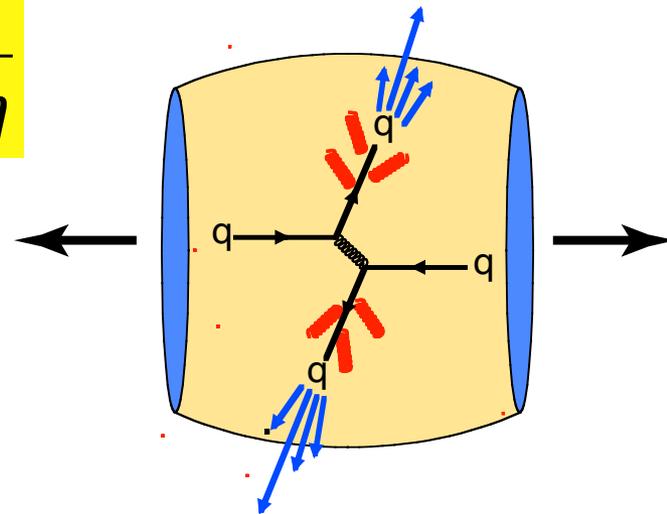
- J.W. Cronin et al., Phys. Rev. **D11**, 3105 (1975)
- D. Antreasyan et al., Phys. Rev. **D19**, 764 (1979)

# The Nuclear Modification Factor $R_{AB}$ is the ratio of pointlike scaling of an A+B measurement to p-p

**Nuclear Modification Factor:**

$$R_{AB}(p_T) = \frac{d^2 N^{AB} / dp_T d\eta}{T_{AB} d^2 \sigma^{pp} / dp_T d\eta}$$

Compare A+B to p-p cross sections

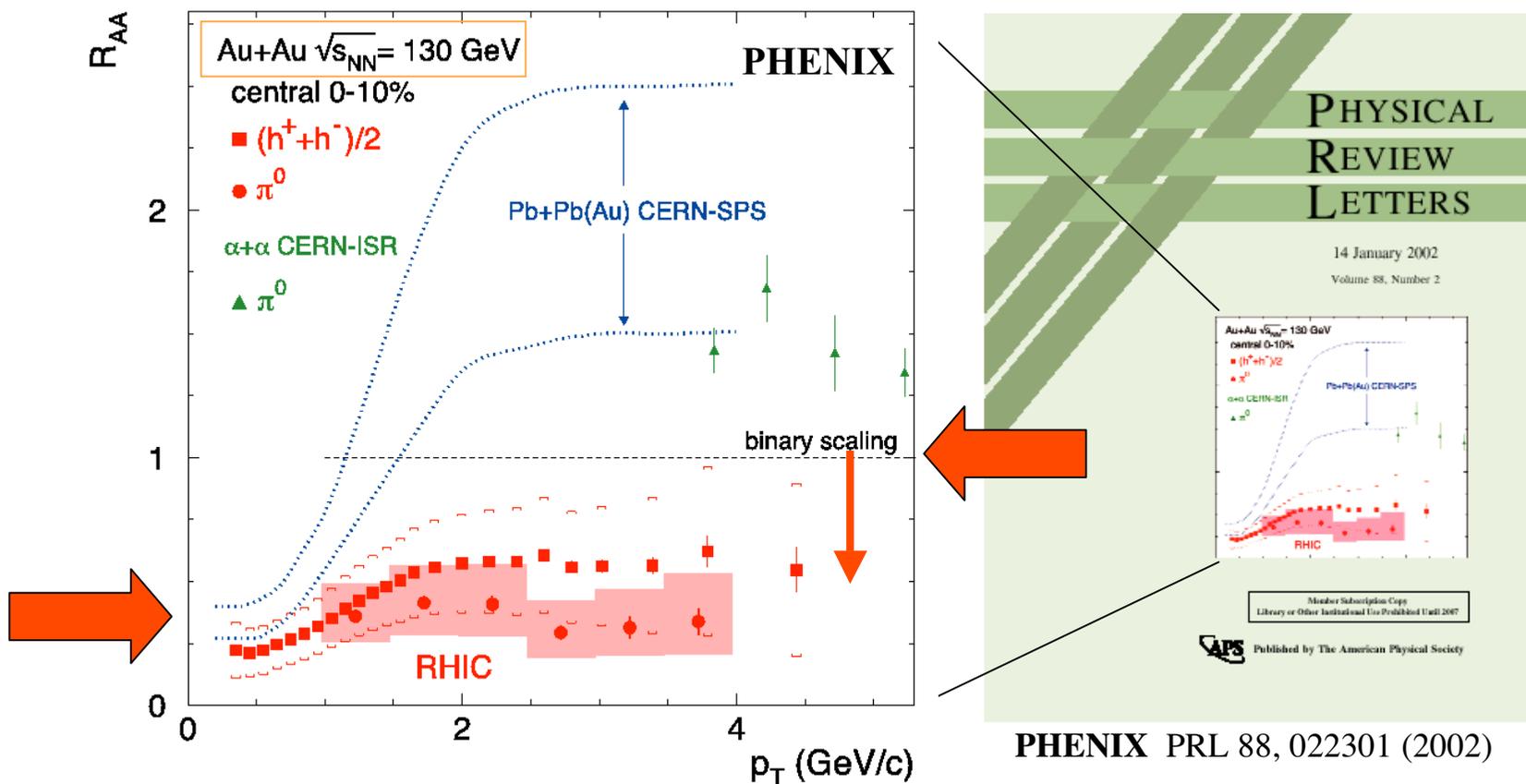


“Nominal effects”:

- $R_{AB} < 1$  in regime of soft physics
- $R_{AB} = 1$  at high- $p_T$  where hard scattering dominates

# Run-1: RHIC Headline News ... January 2002

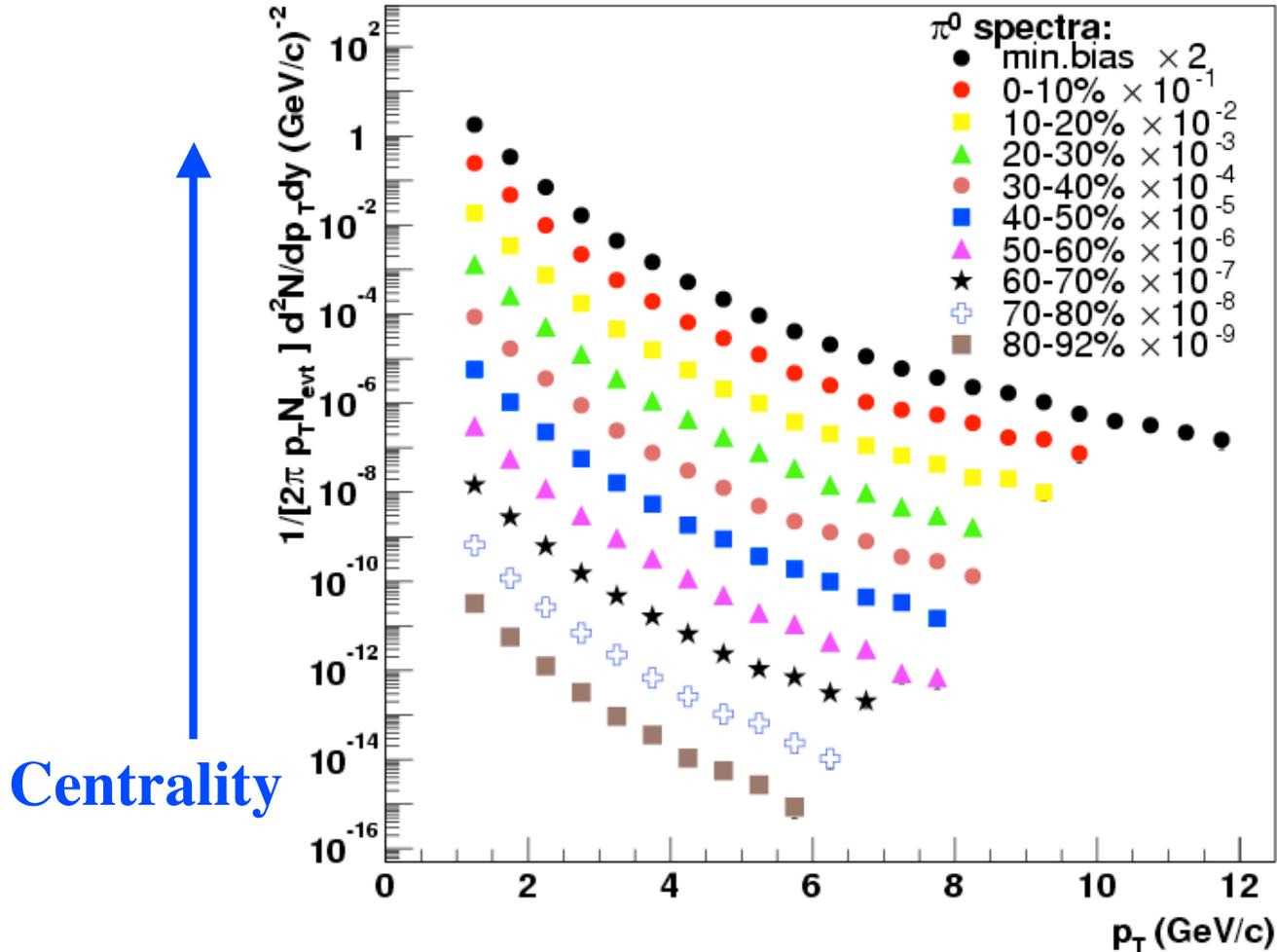
## THE major discovery at RHIC (so far)



First observation of *large* suppression of high  $p_T$  hadron yields  
“Jet Quenching”? == Quark Gluon Plasma?

# RHIC Run 2 $\sqrt{s}=200$ GeV/c: 1) $\pi^0$ extend to higher $p_T$ in Au+Au collisions; 2) $\pi^0$ reference in p-p

**Au-Au** [nucl-ex/0304022](#) Phys. Rev. Letters **91**, 072301 (2003)



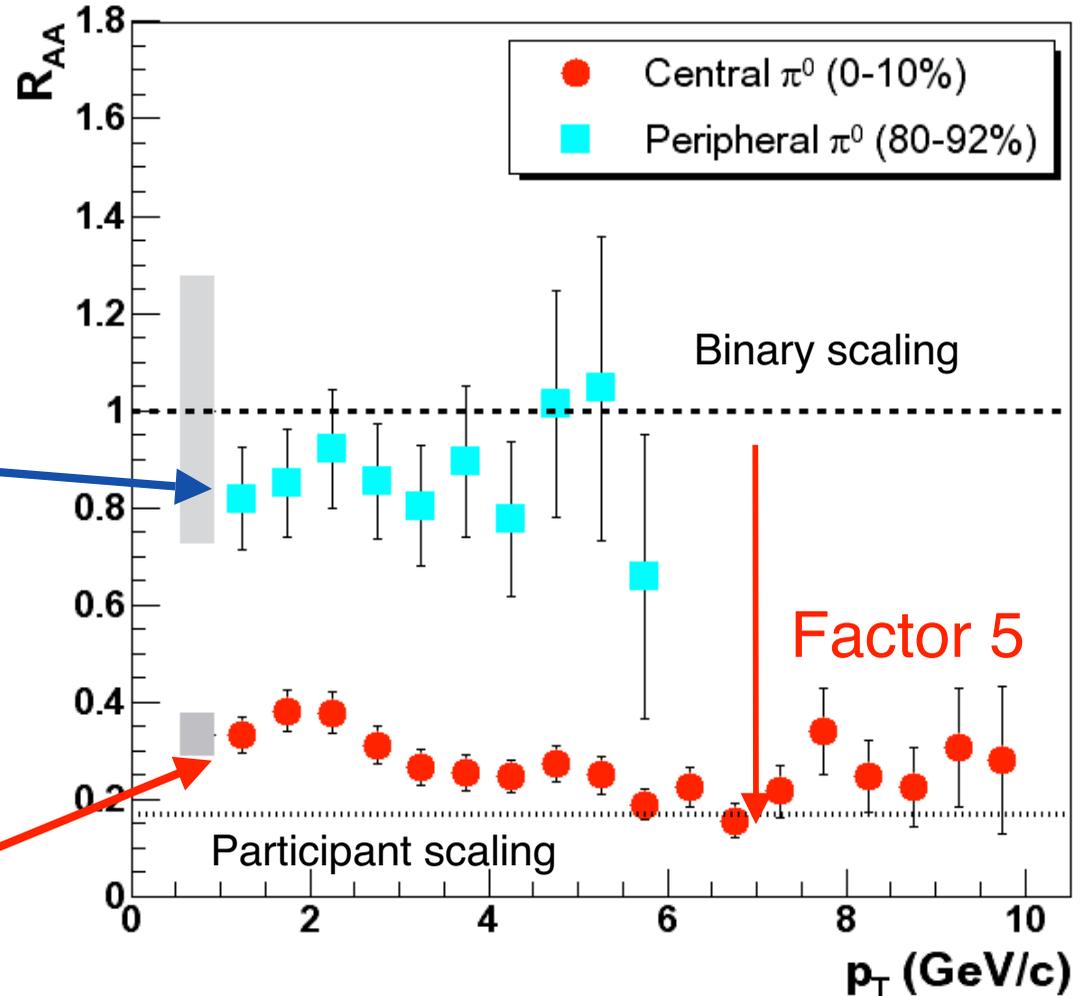
# $R_{AA}(\pi^0)$ AuAu:pp 200GeV

## High $p_T$ Suppression flat from 3 to 10 GeV/c !

$$R_{AA} = \frac{\text{Yield}_{\text{AuAu}}(p_T)}{\langle T_{AB} \rangle_{\text{AuAu}} \times \sigma_{pp}(p_T)}$$

Peripheral AuAu - consistent with  $N_{\text{coll}}$  scaling (large systematic error)

Large suppression in central AuAu - close to participant scaling at high  $P_T$

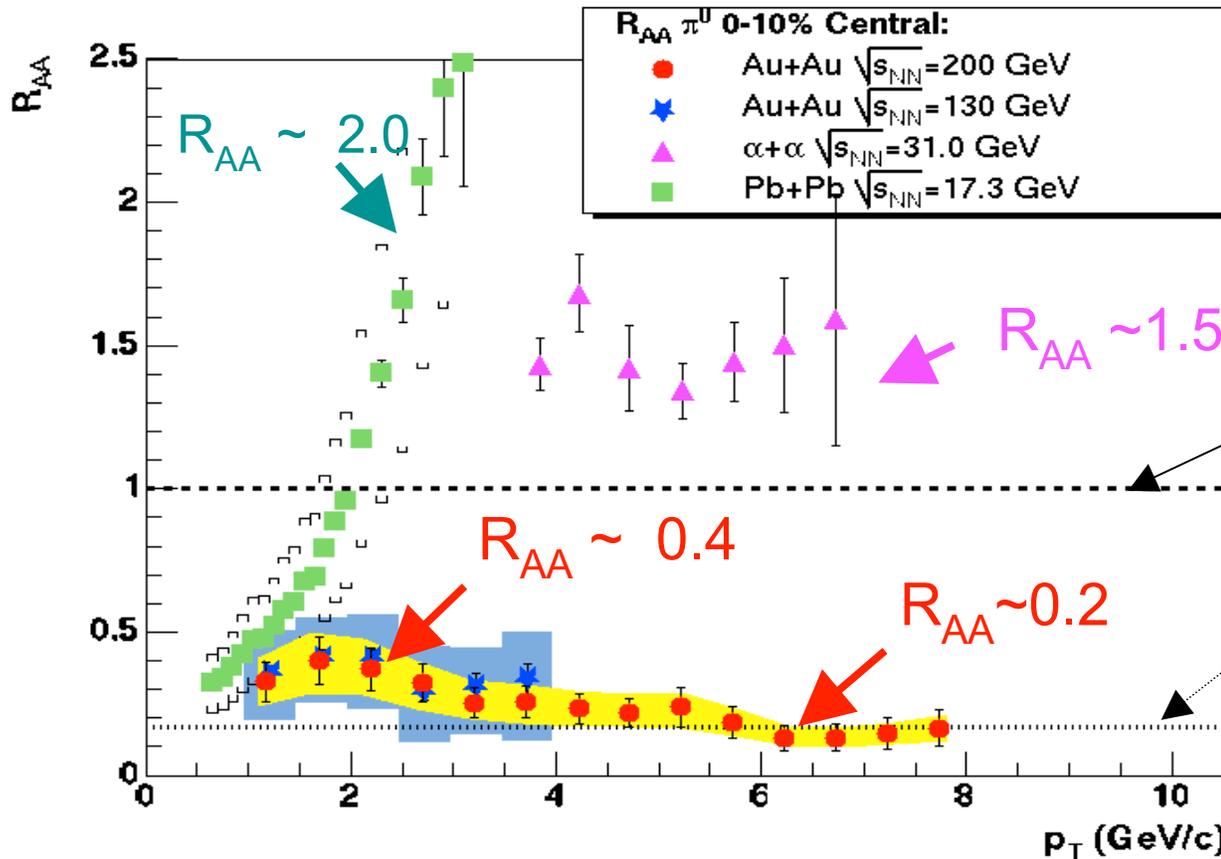


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# Suppression at RHIC $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=130$ GeV is unique in A+A collisions--Enhancement at lower $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$

CERN: Pb+Pb ( $\sqrt{s_{NN}} \sim 17$  GeV),  $\alpha+\alpha$  ( $\sqrt{s_{NN}} \sim 31$  GeV)  
 plus all previous measurements in p+A in same x range

} Cronin Enhancement



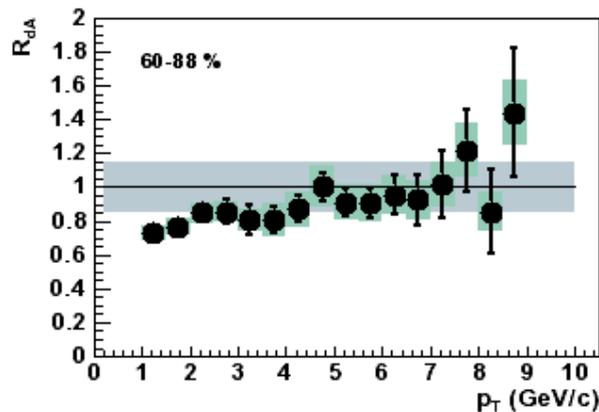
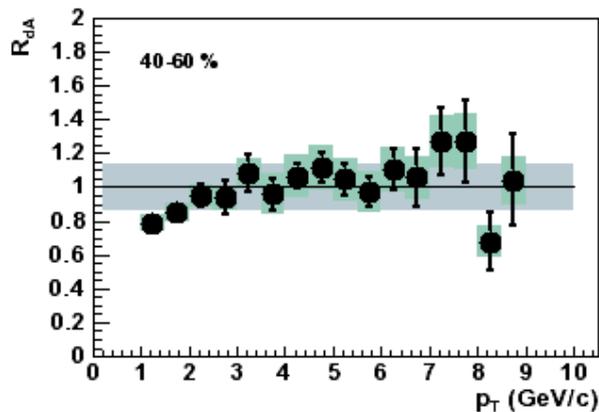
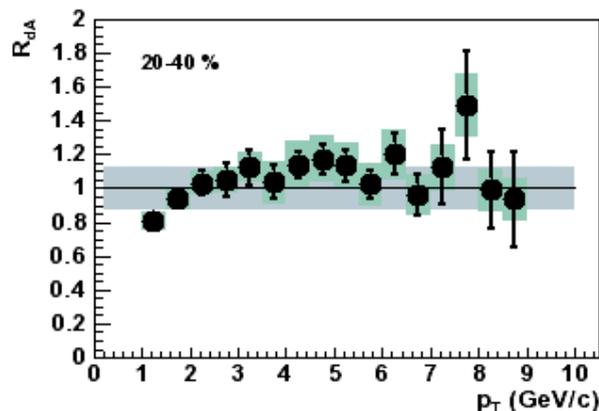
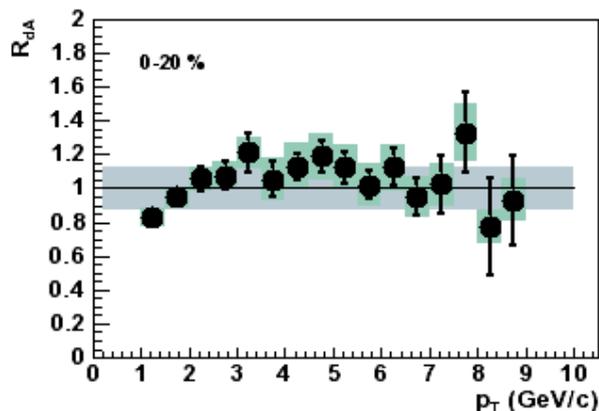
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Initial state effect (p+A) only depends on x, final state in A+A could depend on  $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$  ←

# Cronin effect observed in d+Au at RHIC

$\sqrt{s_{NN}}=200$  GeV, confirms  $x$  is a good variable

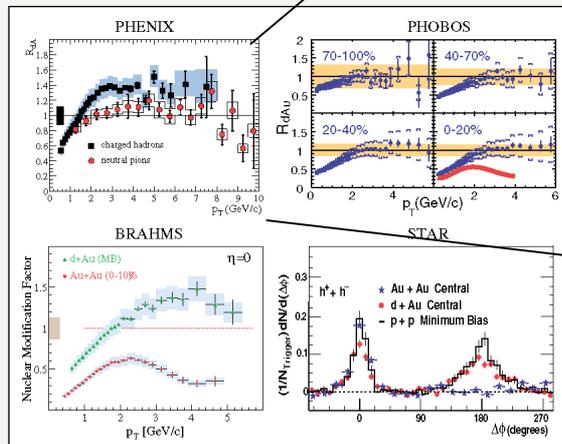


PHENIX preliminary  $\pi^0$  d+Au vs centrality for DNP2003

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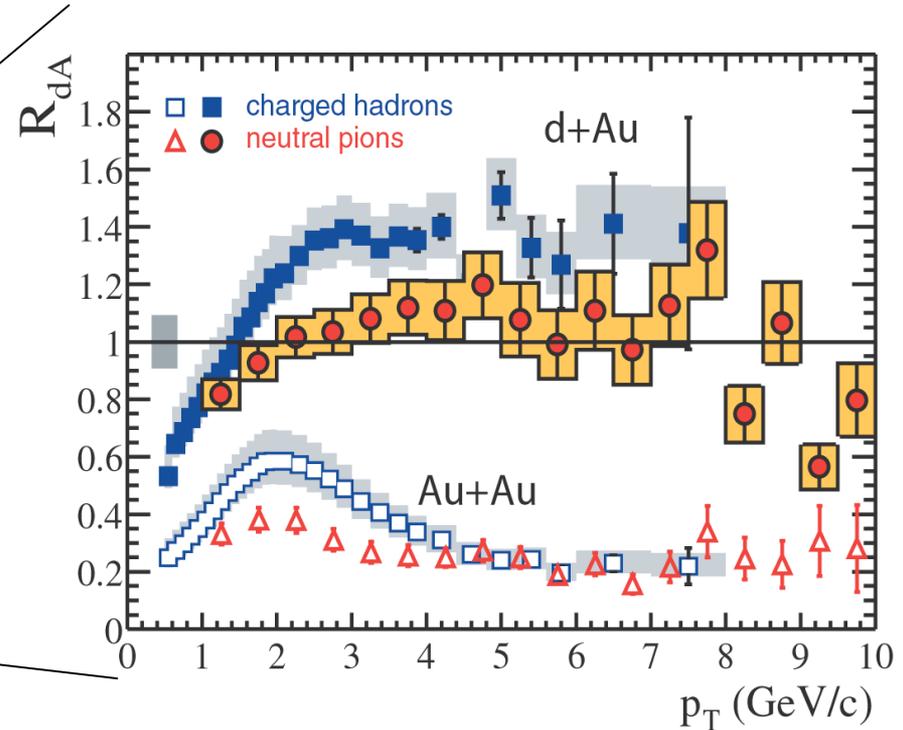
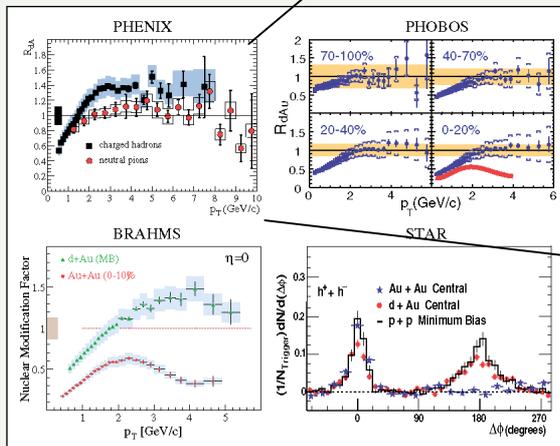
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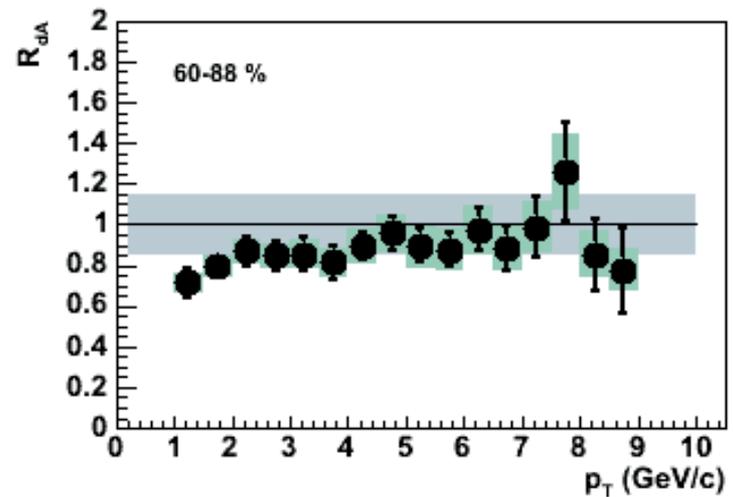
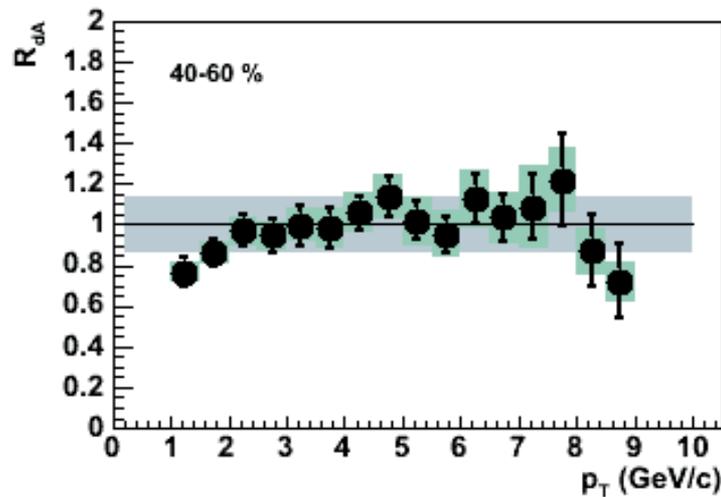
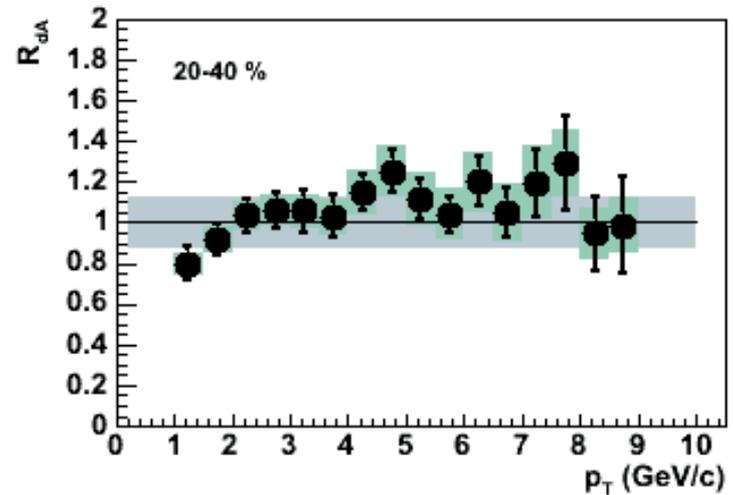
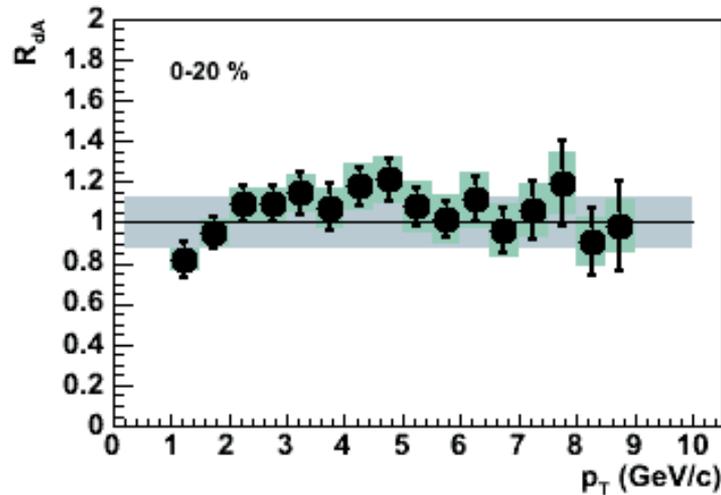
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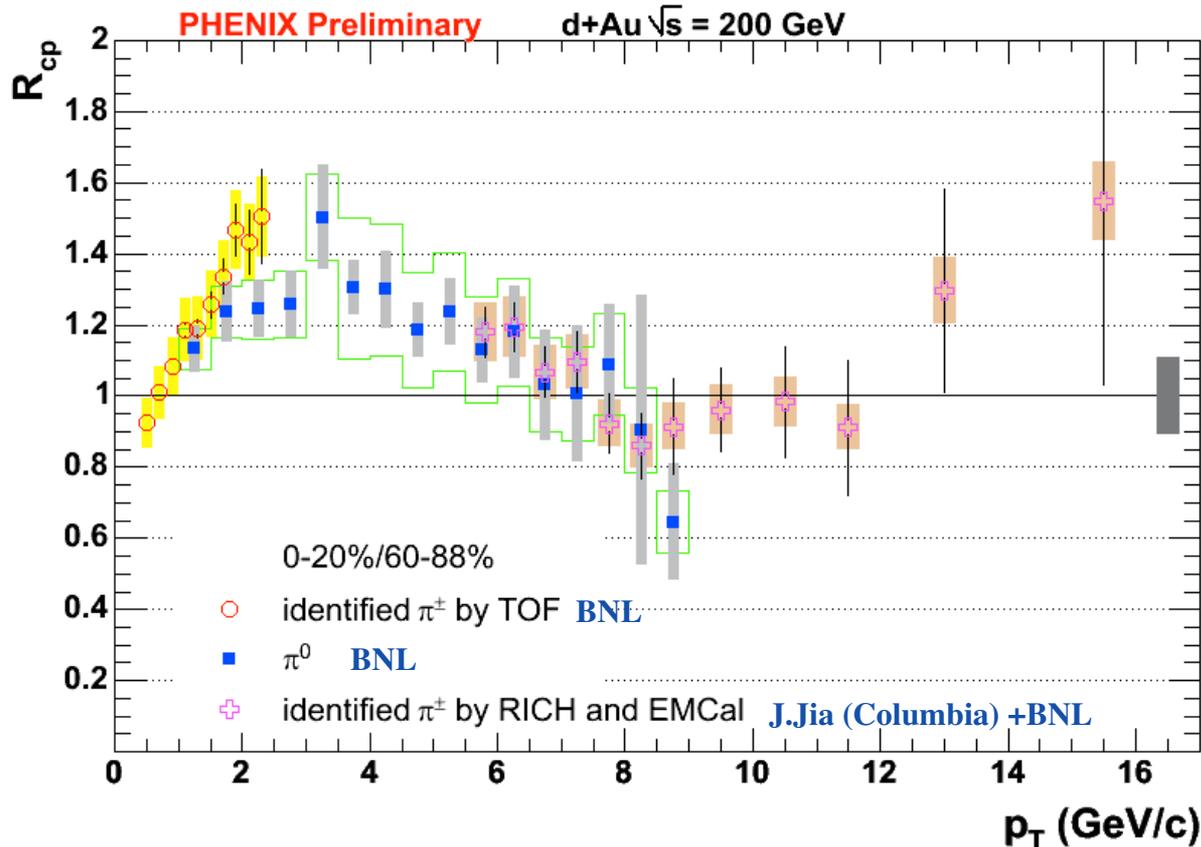
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# $R_{dAu}$ Final 02/12/04



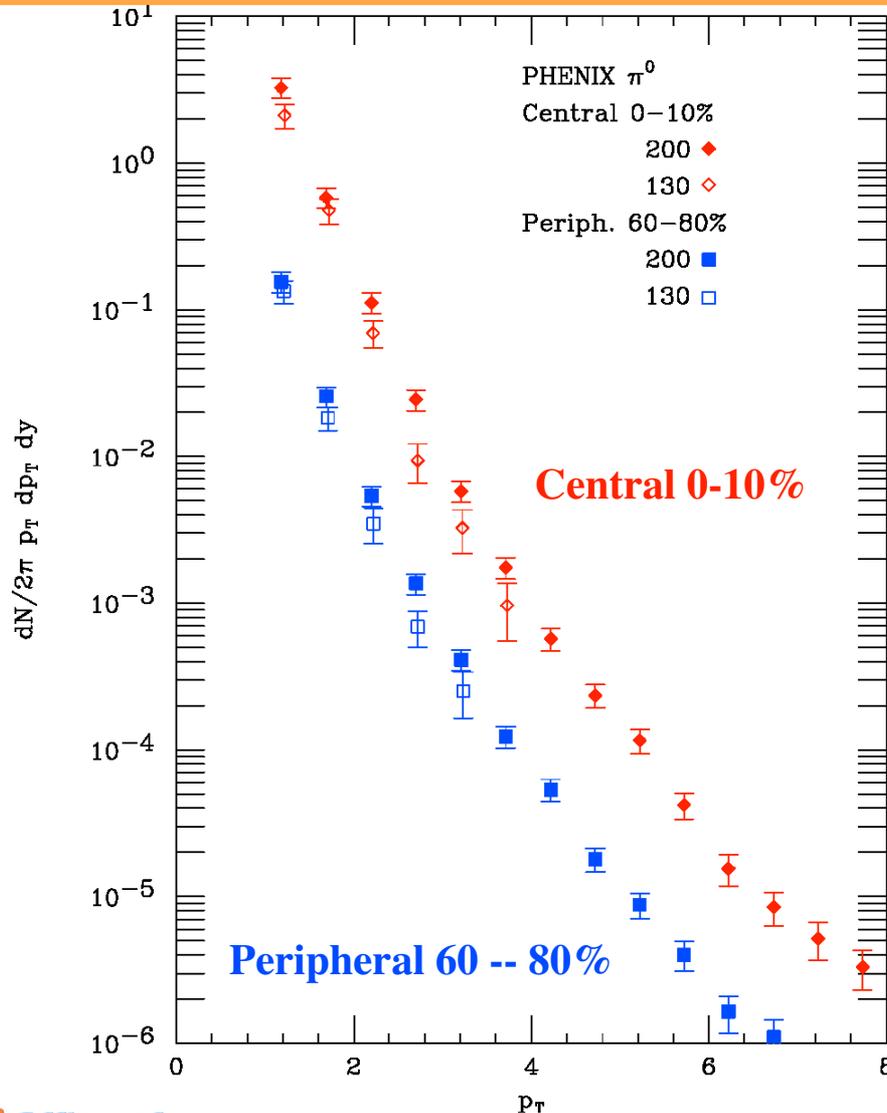
# Does The Enhancement ( $R_{CP}$ ) of pions Vanish At Higher $p_T$ ??



- $R_{CP}$ 
  - ✓ Compares Yields in central and peripheral scaled by  $N_{coll}$
  - ✓ Many systematics cancel
- Different parts of PHENIX measure different  $p_T$  ranges of  $\pi$
- Enhancement in central vanishes at high  $p_T$

Use EMCal to reject particles with  $E/p < 0.3$  to eliminate fake high  $p_T$  particles from decays & conversions

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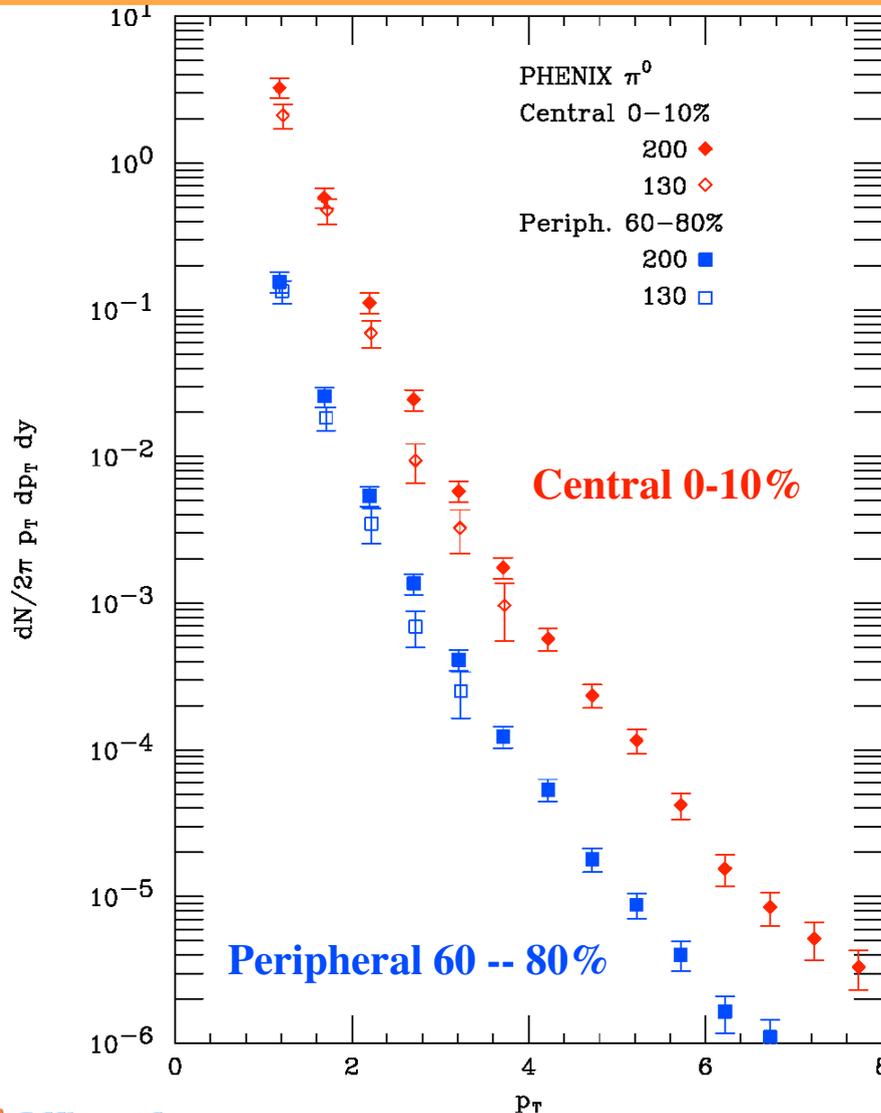


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Berman, Bjorken, Kogut, PRD4,3388(1971)

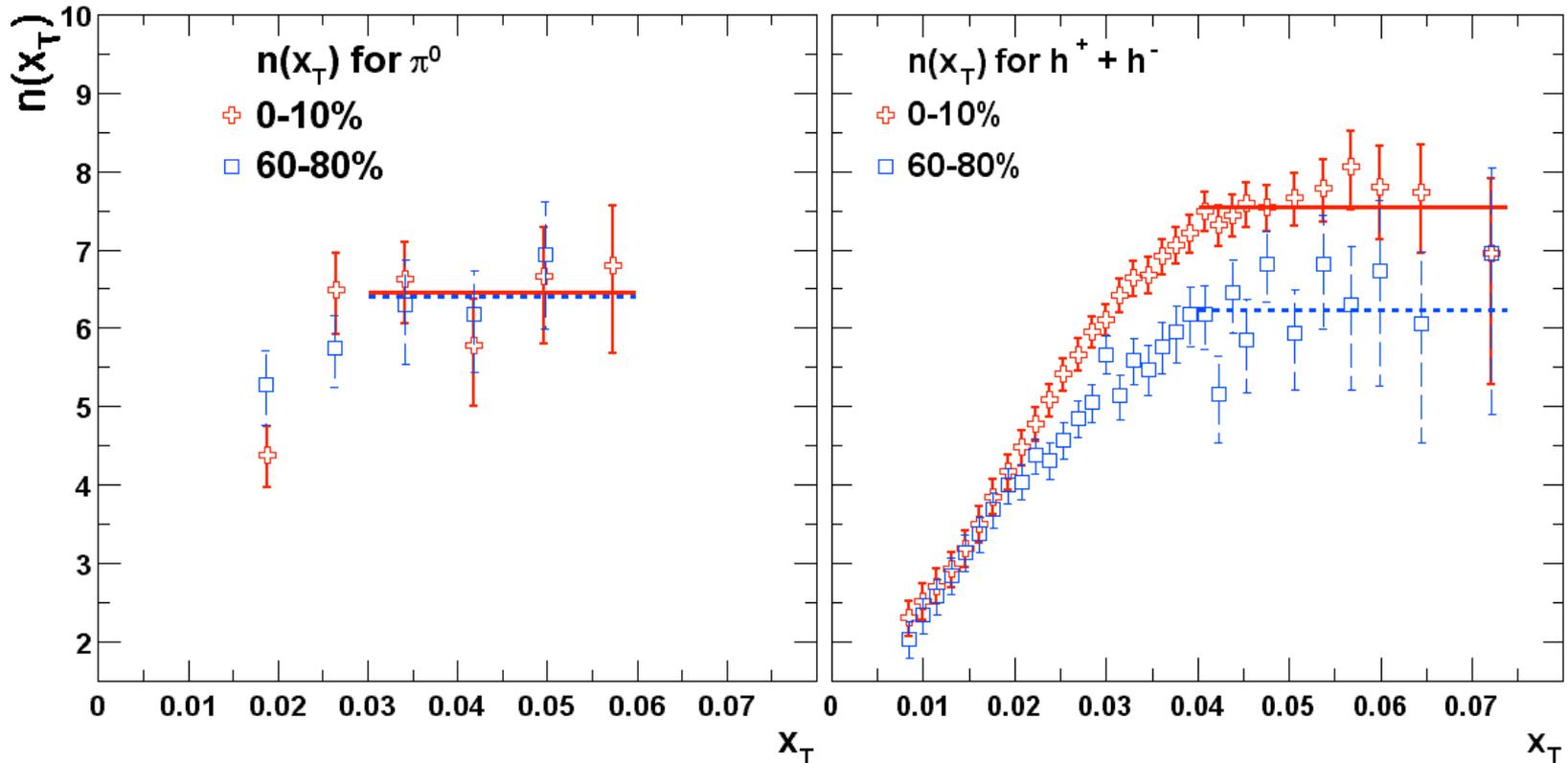
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QCD: Cahalan, Geer, Kogut, Susskind, PRD11, 1199 (1975)

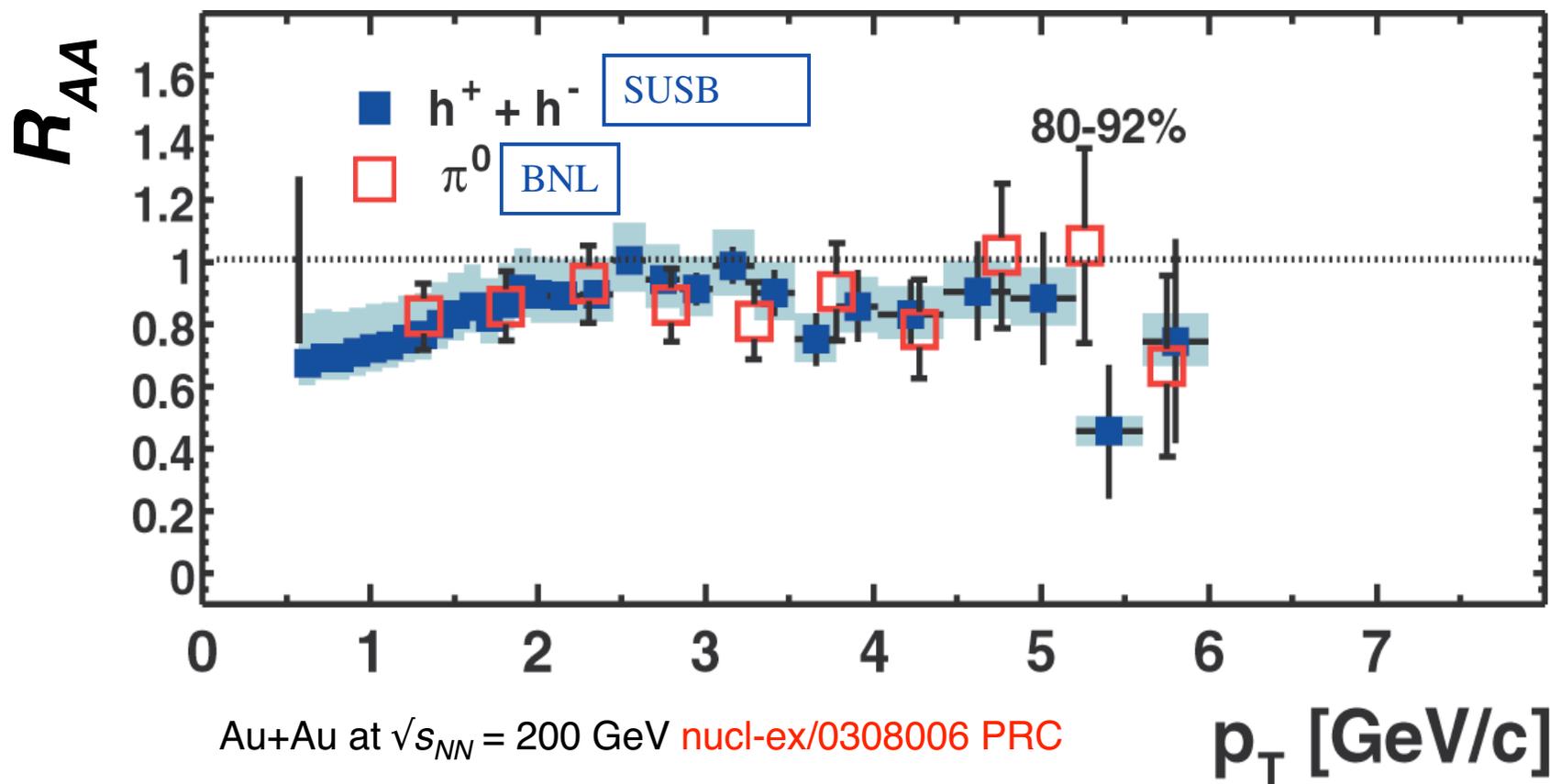
# $n(x_T)$ point-by-point 200/130



$$\left( \frac{\sqrt{s_1}}{\sqrt{s_2}} \right)^{n(x_T, \sqrt{s})} = \frac{E d^3 \sigma(x_T, \sqrt{s_2})}{dp^3} = \frac{E d^3 \sigma(x_T, \sqrt{s_1})}{dp^3}$$

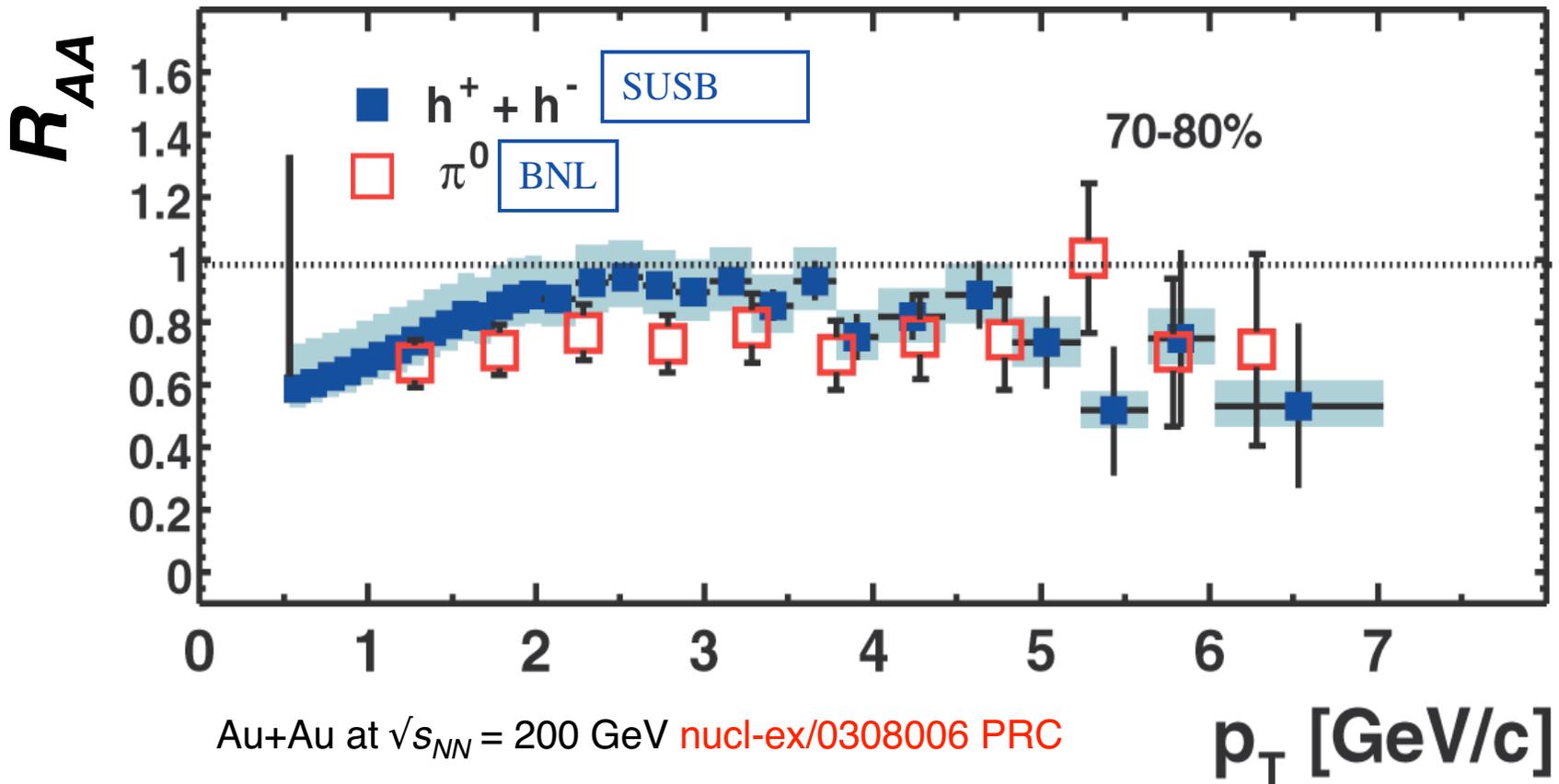
- $\pi^0$   $x_T$  scales in both peripheral and central Au+Au with same value of  $n=6.3$  as in p-p
- $(h^+ + h^-)/2$   $x_T$  scales in peripheral same as p-p but difference between central and peripheral is significant

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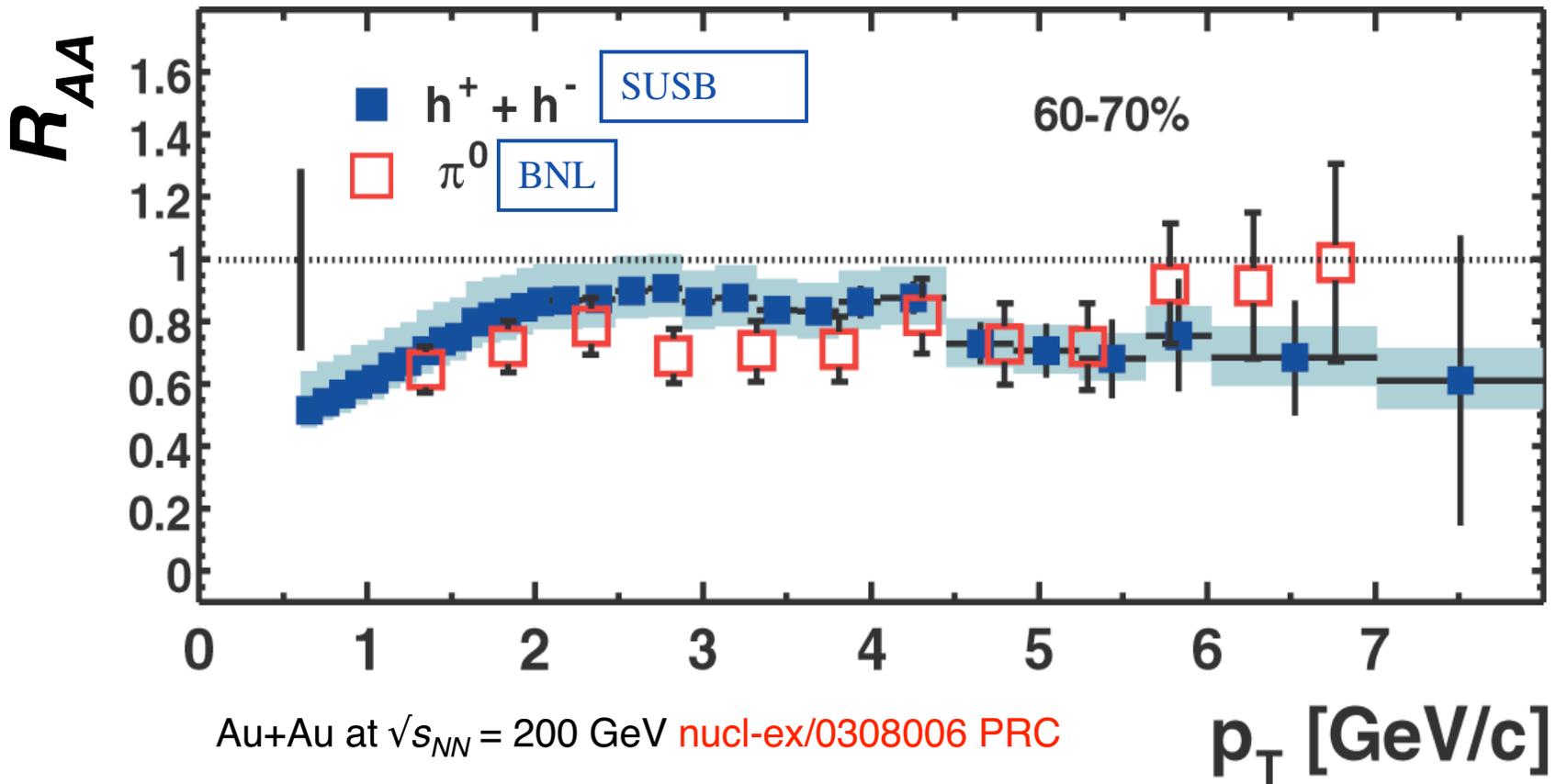
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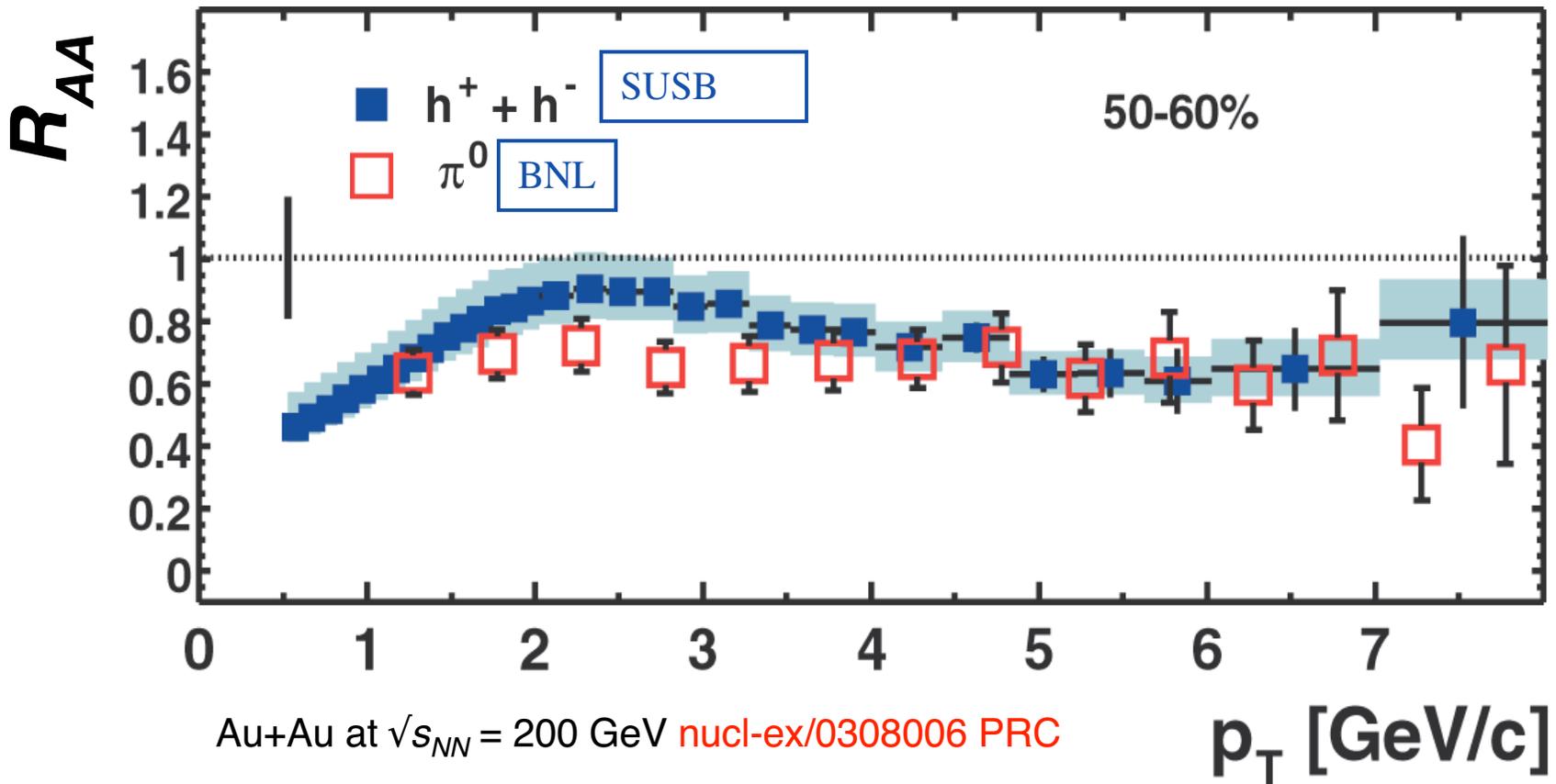
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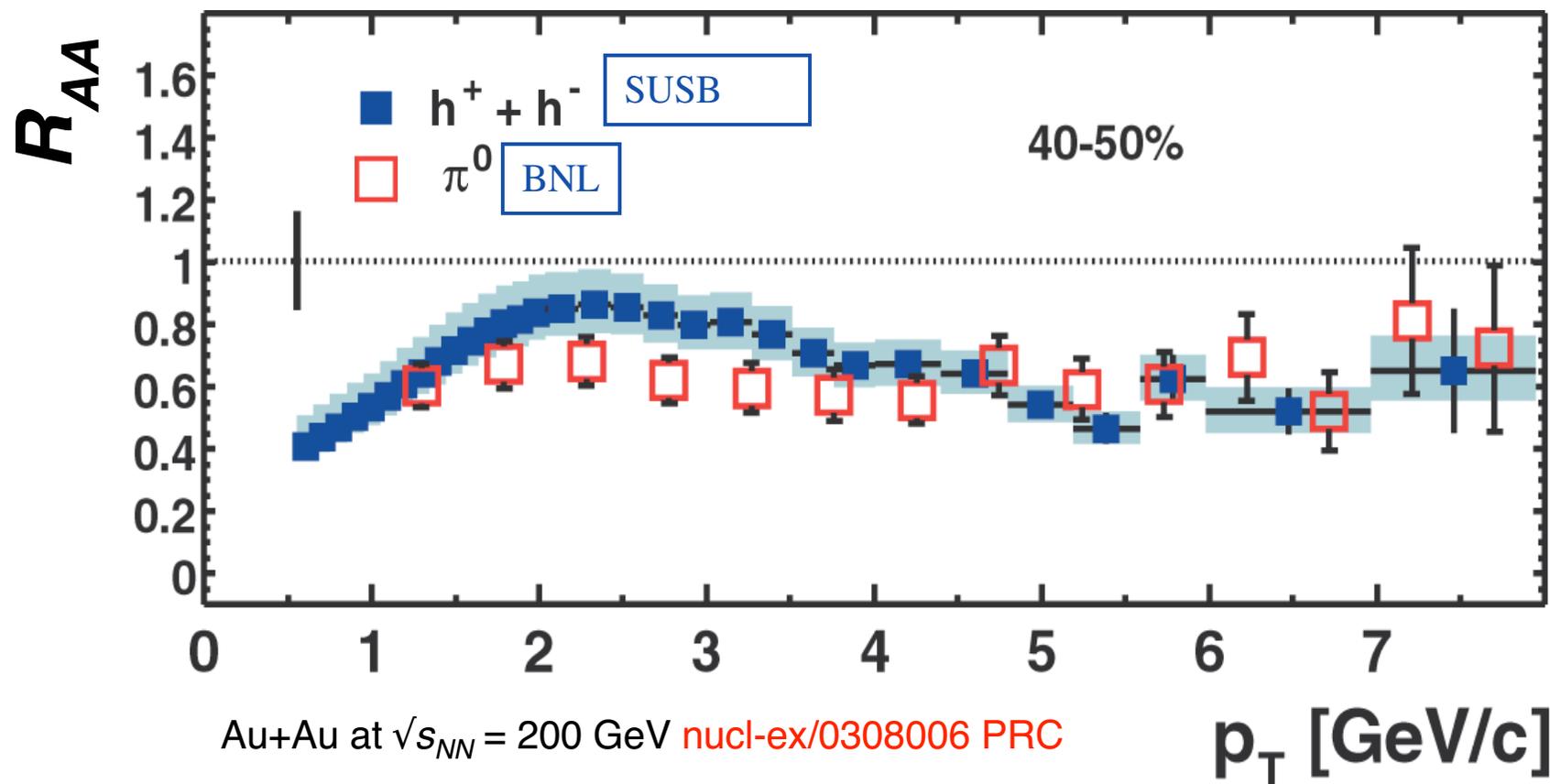
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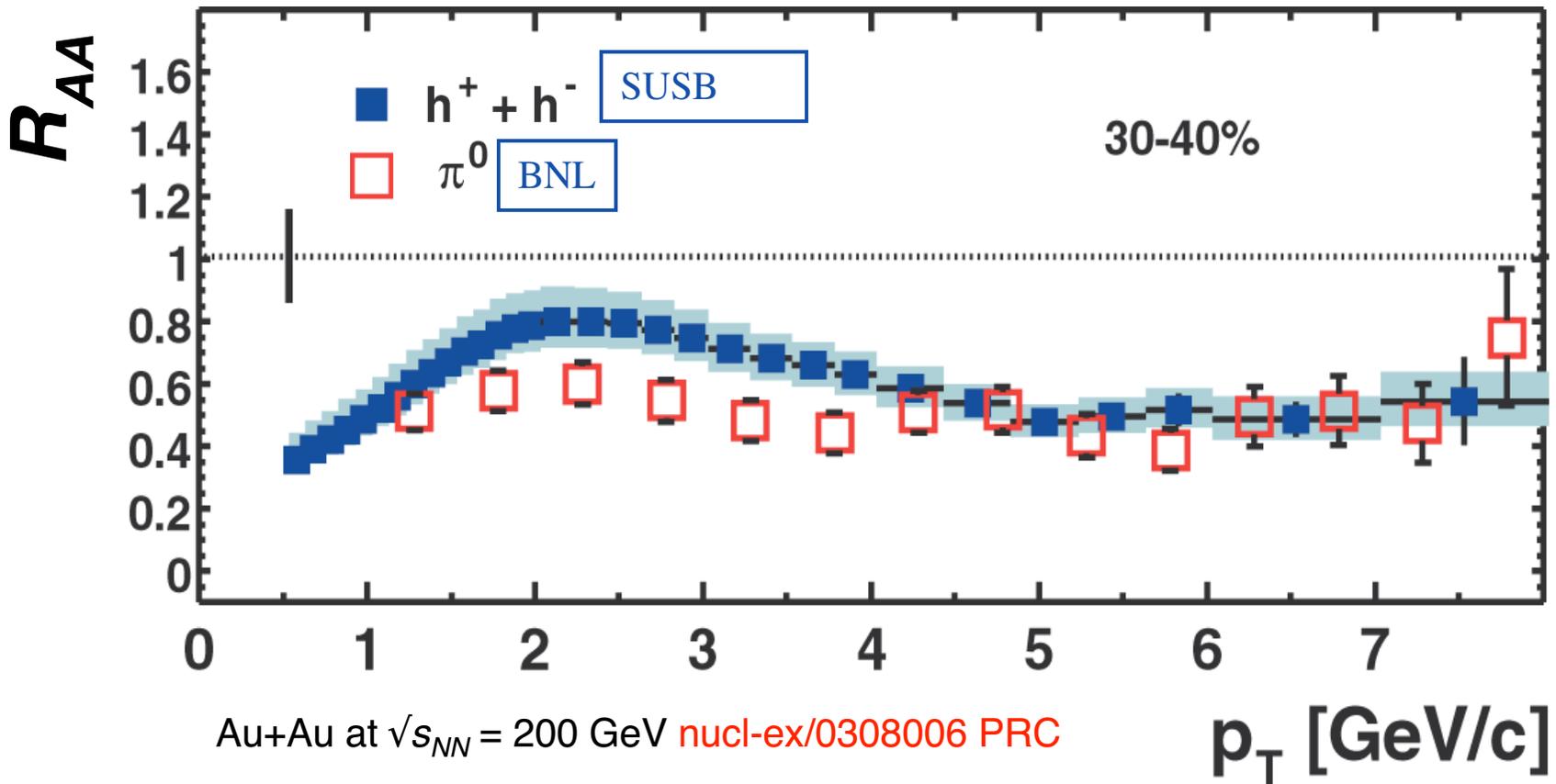
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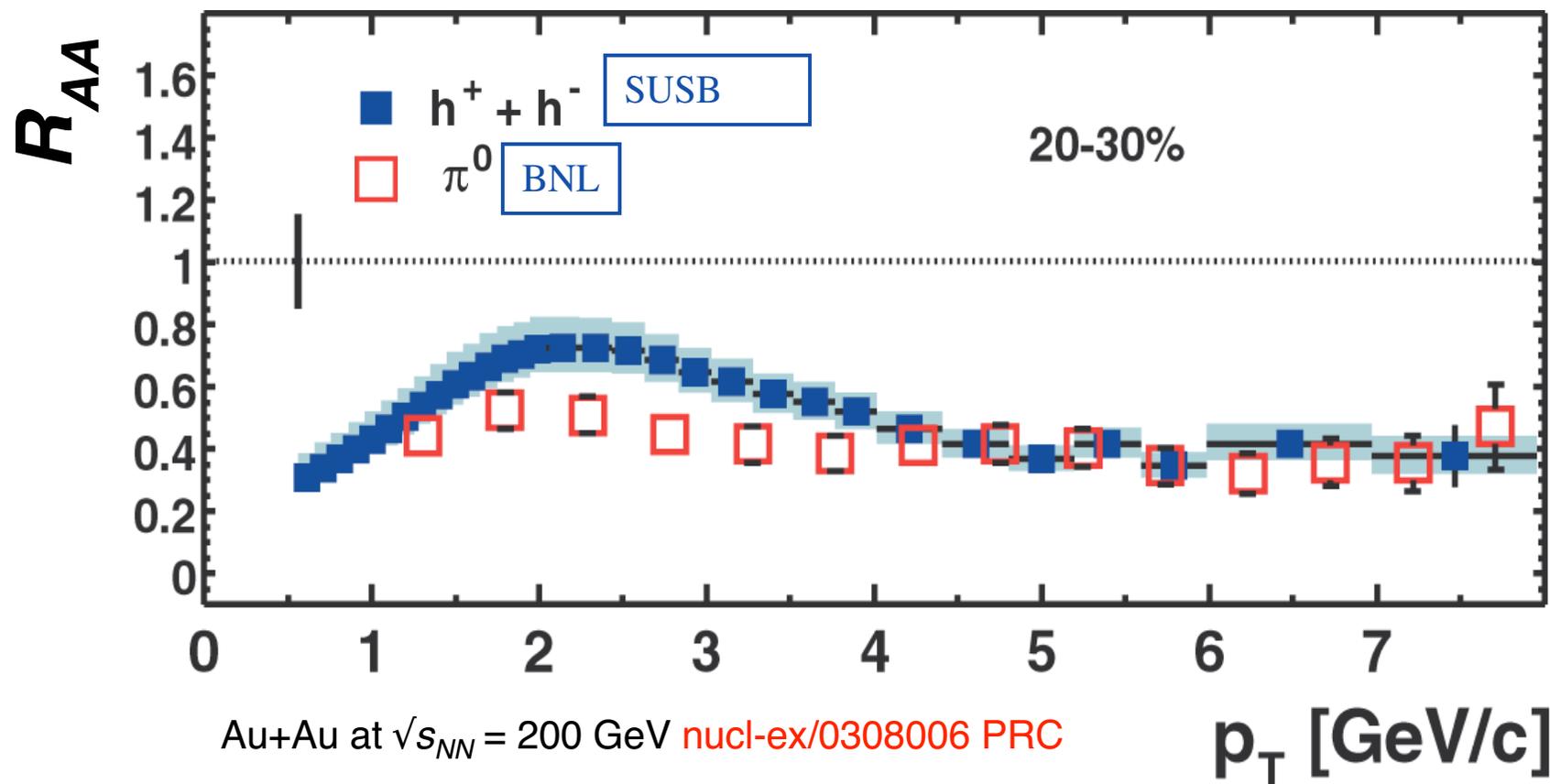
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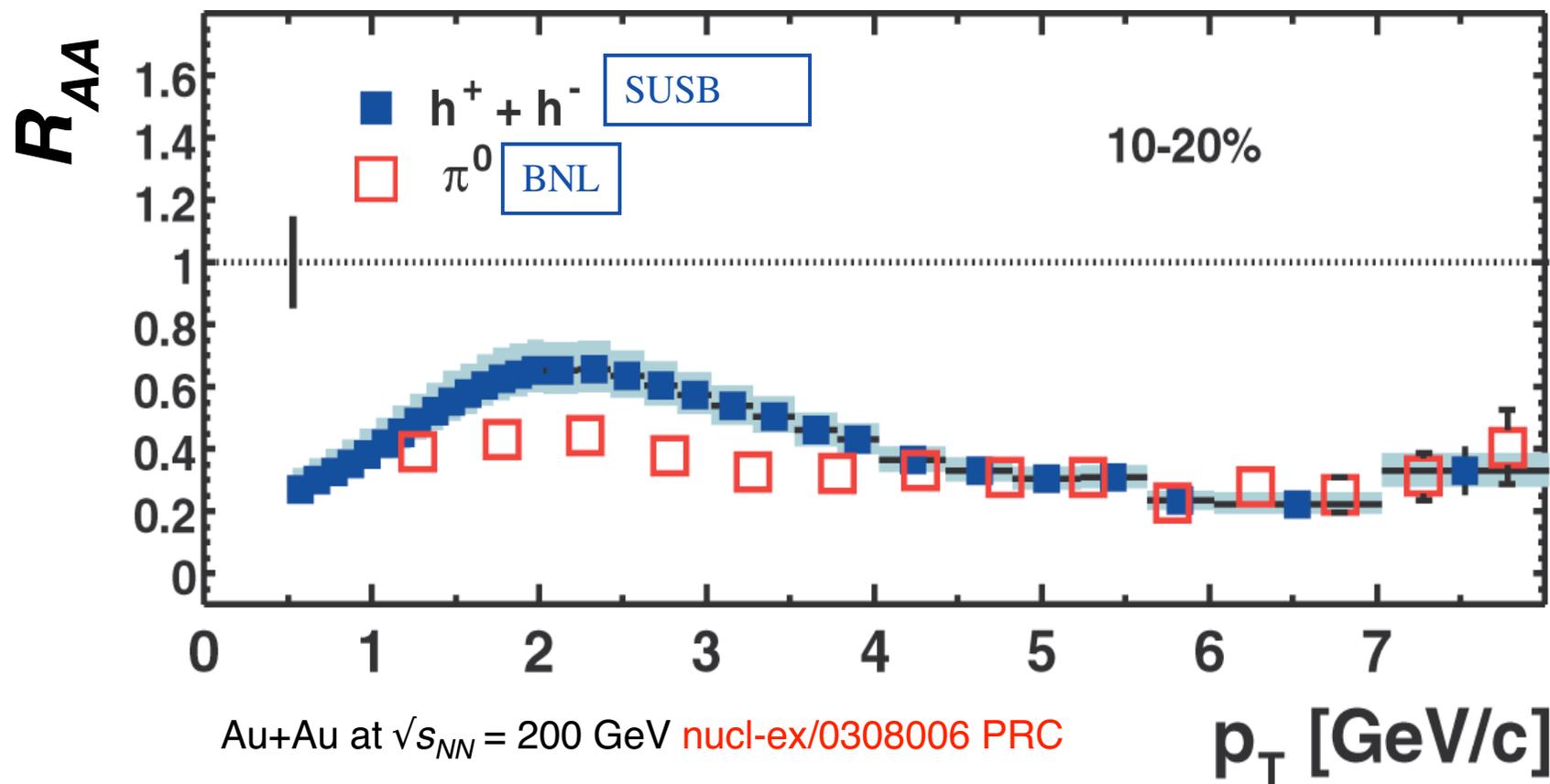
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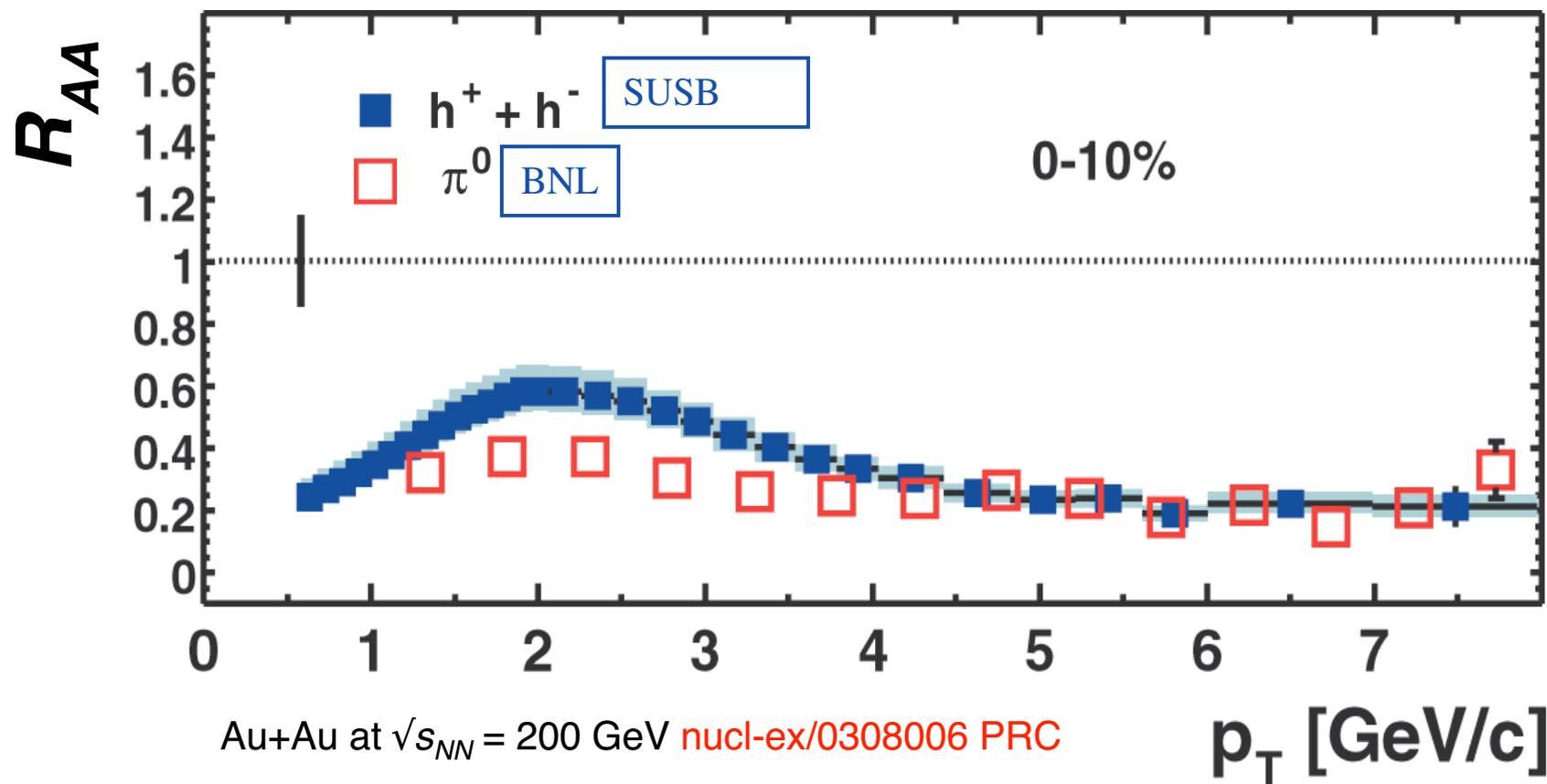
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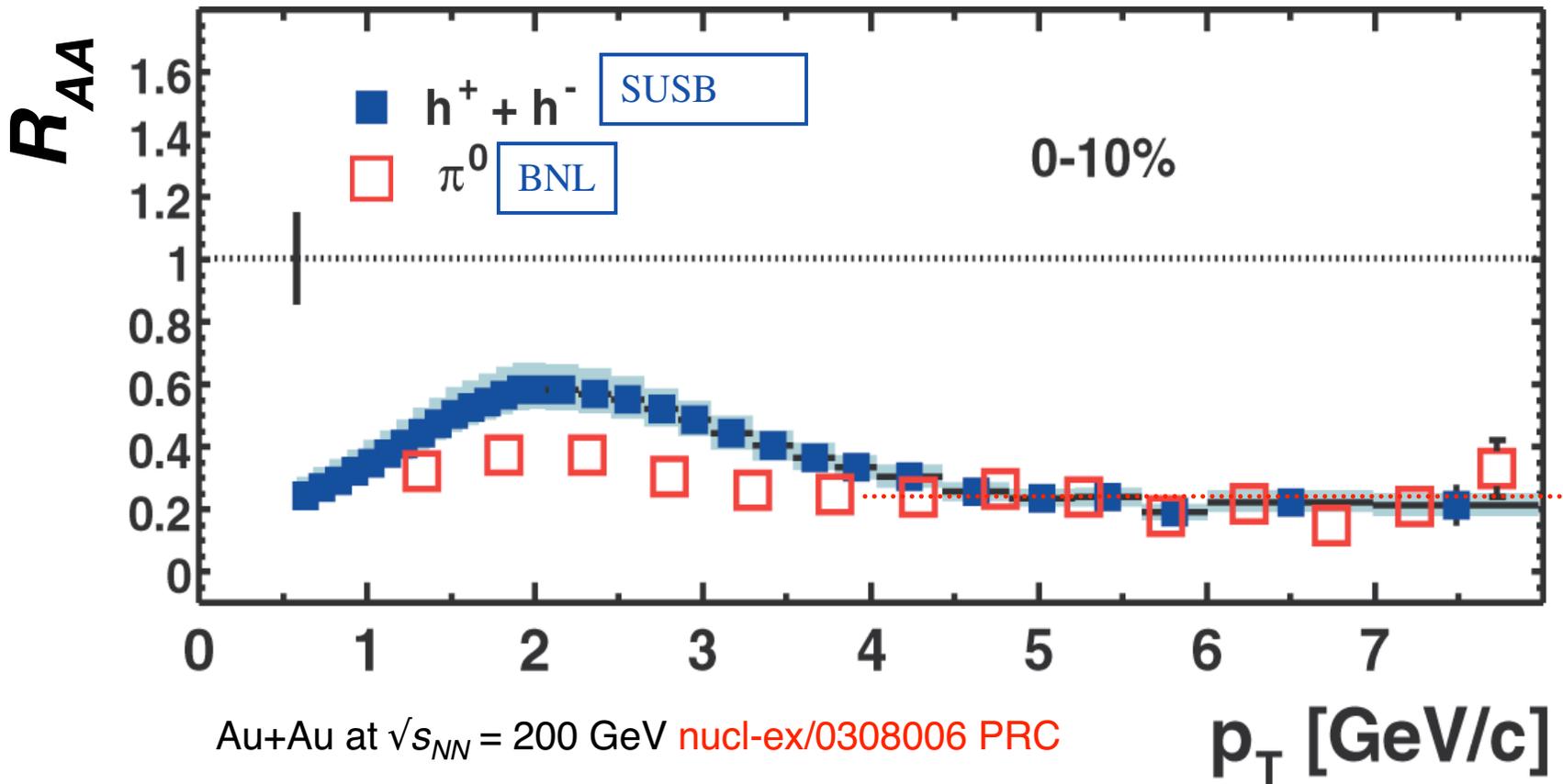
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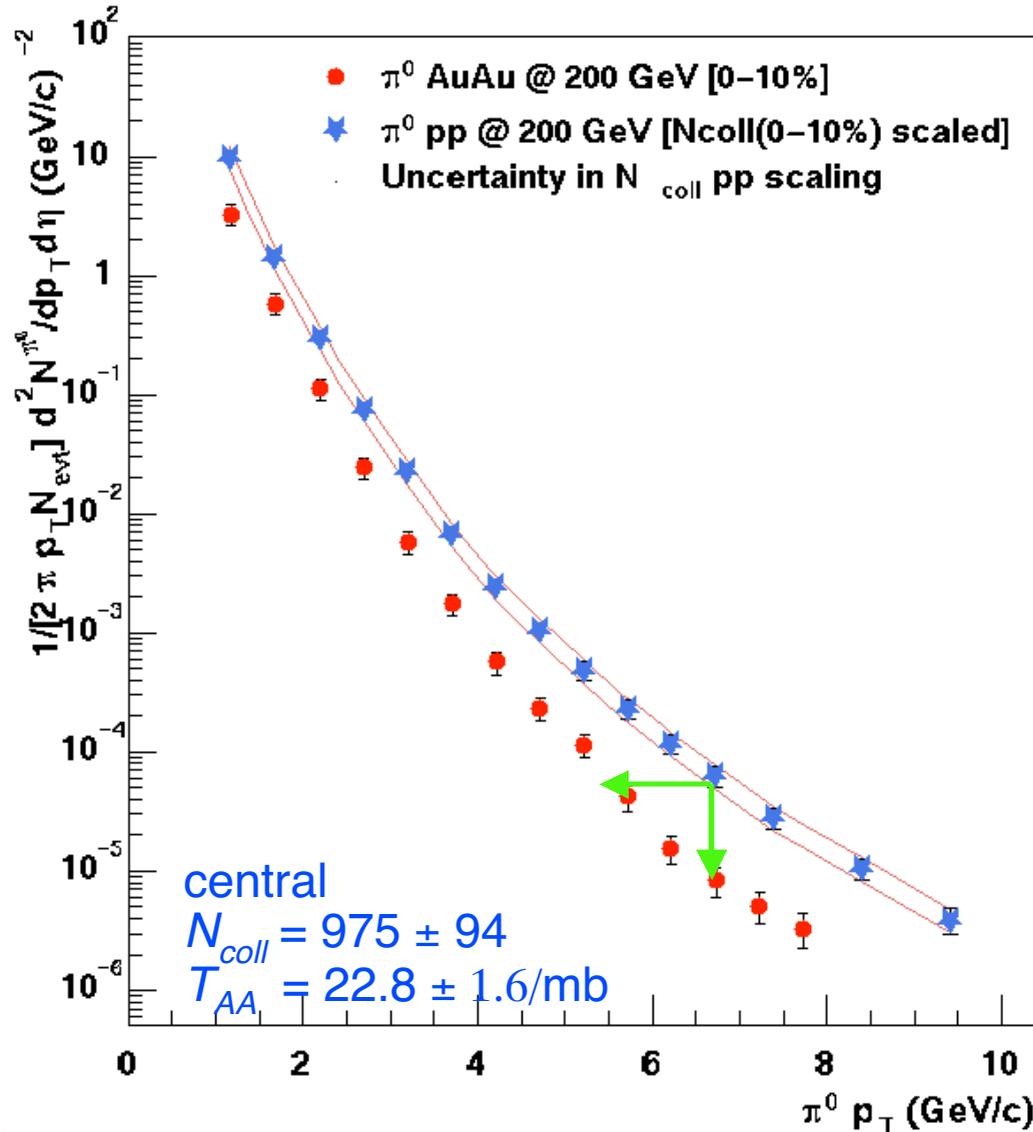
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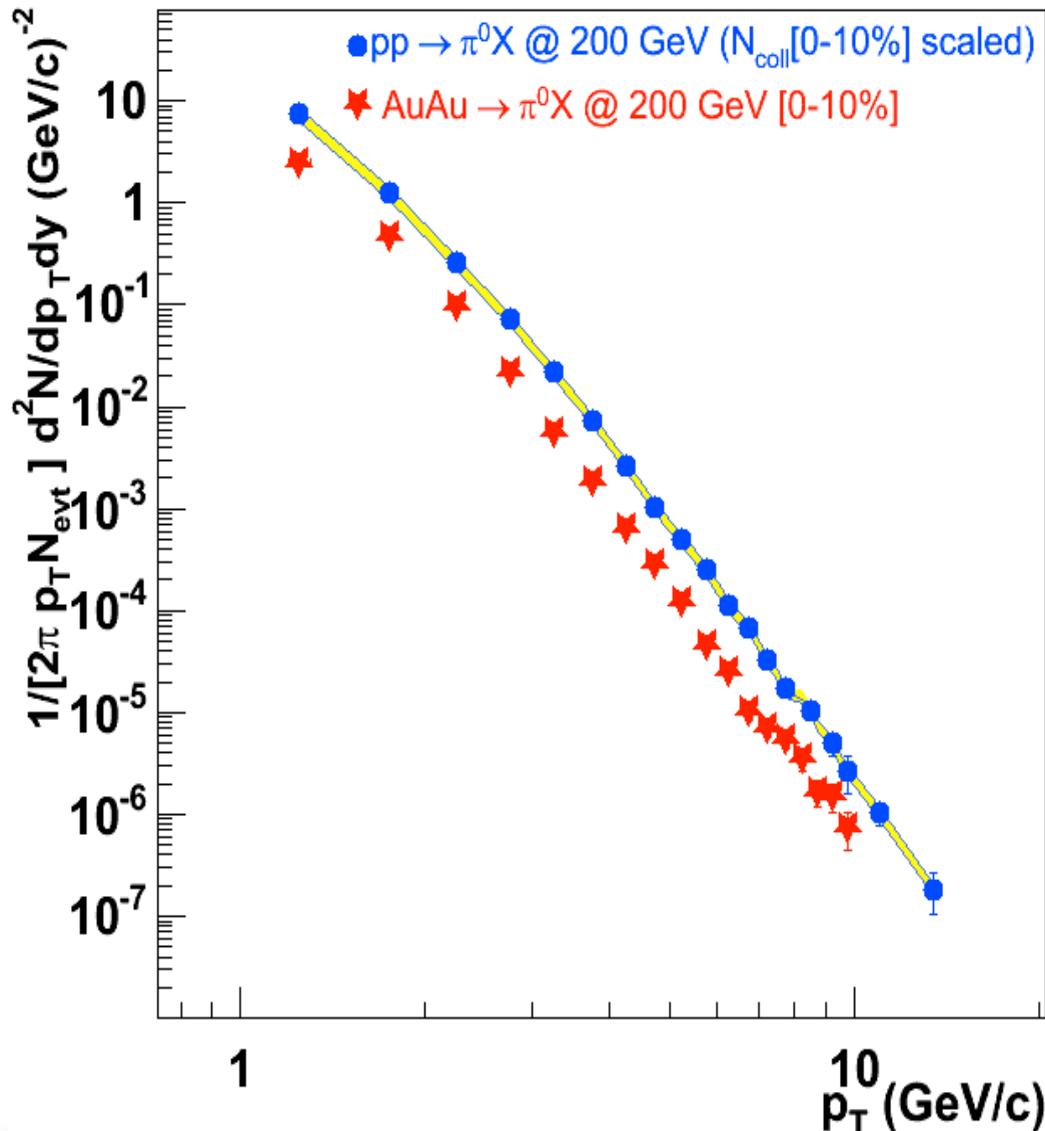


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- $\Delta p_T$  for  $d\sigma/dp_T$

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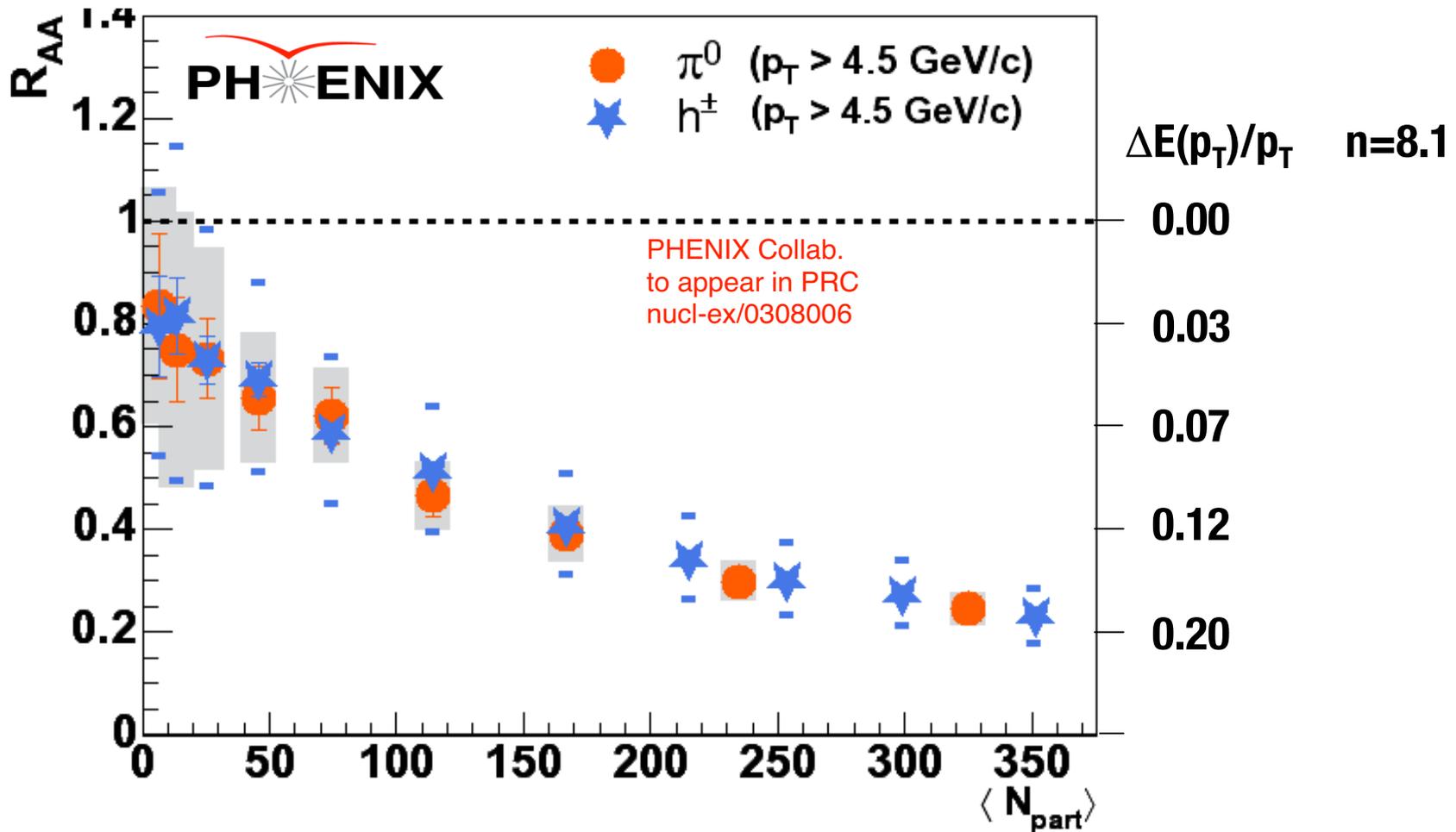


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# Estimate of $\Delta p_T / p_T$



# DirectPhotons--- $\pi^0(\eta) \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ makes huge background- down a factor of $2/(n-1)$ due to falling spectrum

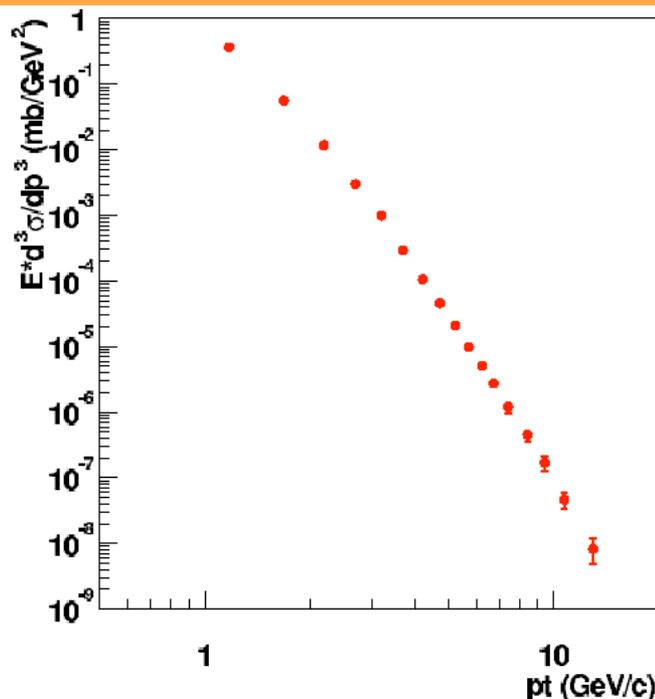


Figure 5: PHENIX  $\pi^0$  spectrum for  $\sqrt{s} = 200$  GeV p-p collisions

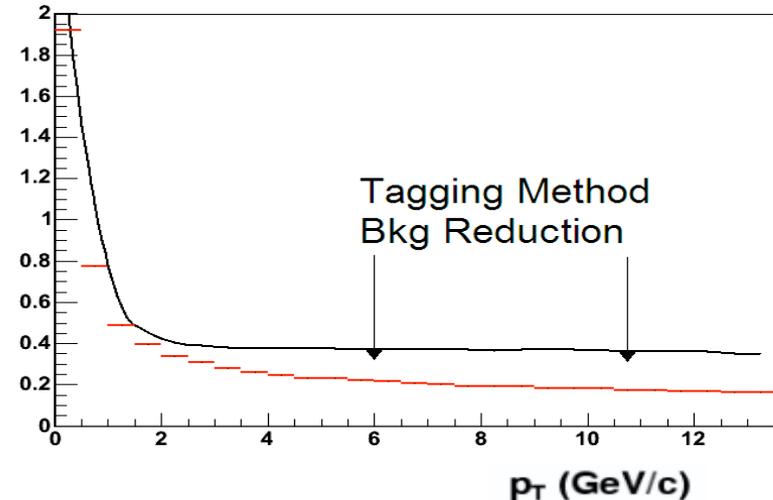
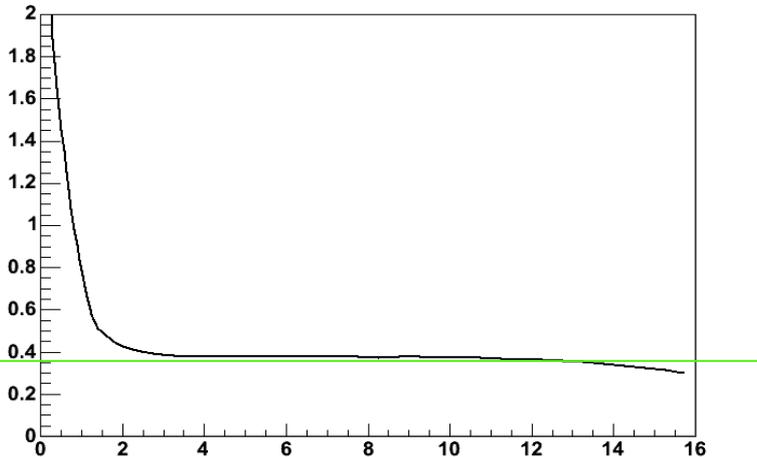
$$\frac{dn_{\pi^0}}{p_T dp_T} \propto p_T^{-n}$$

where  $n \sim 8$ , so  $\gamma|_{\pi^0}/\pi^0 \sim 1.2 \times 2/7 = 0.34$  and the factor 1.2 includes  $\eta \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma$  (estimated).

- This assumes that e.g. one 10 GeV photon and two 5 GeV photons (a 10 GeV  $\pi^0$ ) measure at exactly the same energy  $\Rightarrow$  **nonlinearity** is a big experimental issue for photons.

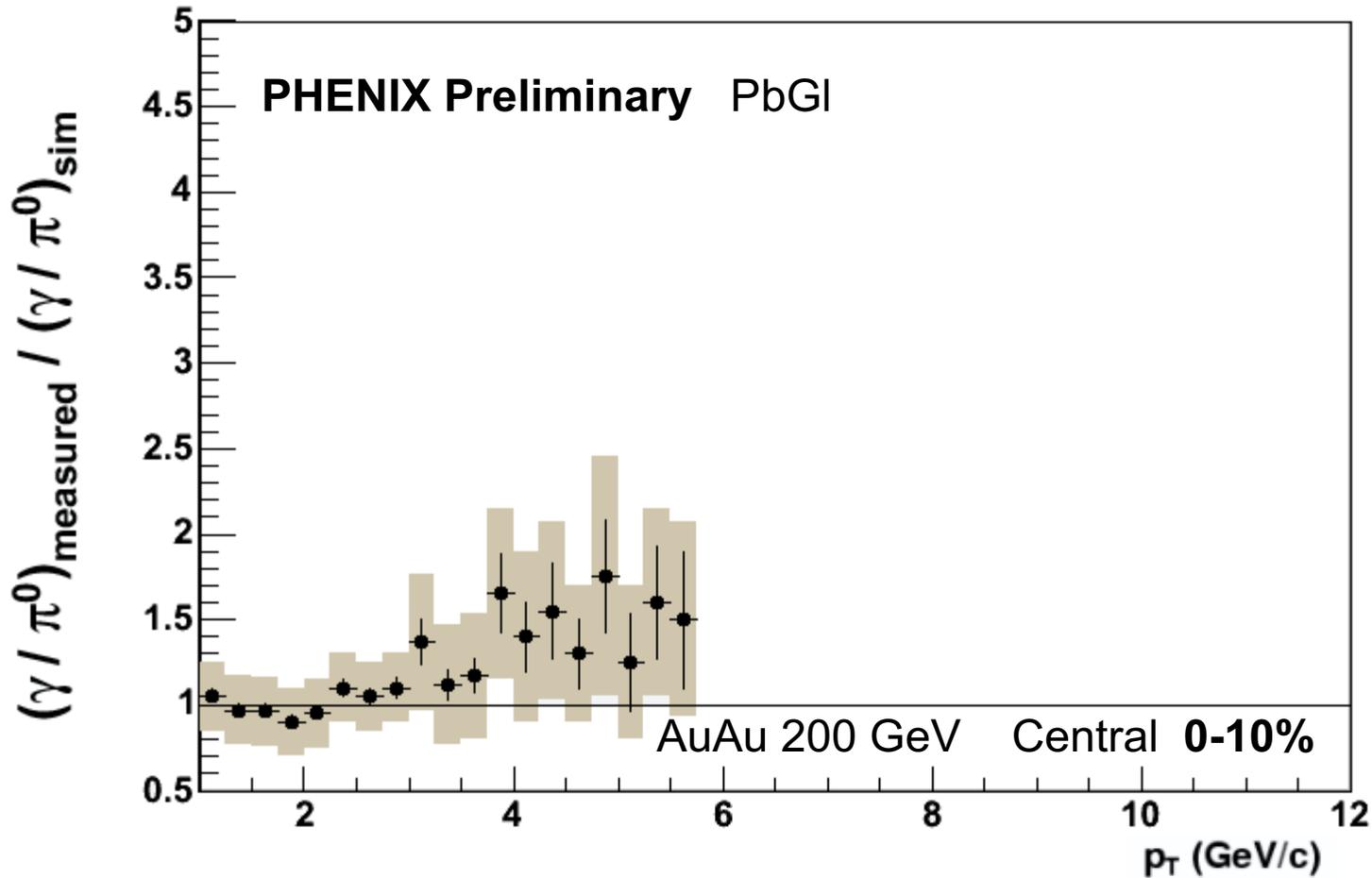
# Actual calculated $\gamma|_{\pi^0 + \dots} / \pi^0$

$\gamma_{\text{all decay background}} / \pi^0$



- We do this because doing the same with the actual point by point  $\pi^0$  and inclusive  $\gamma$  measurements will cancel many systematics
- Variations: Tagging Methods (reject  $\gamma$  pairs in  $\pi^0$  mass window), Isolation Methods Remove inherent background so smaller  $(\gamma/\pi)_{\text{expected backgrd}}$
- Then we can compare measured  $\gamma/\pi$  with background  $\gamma/\pi$  ...

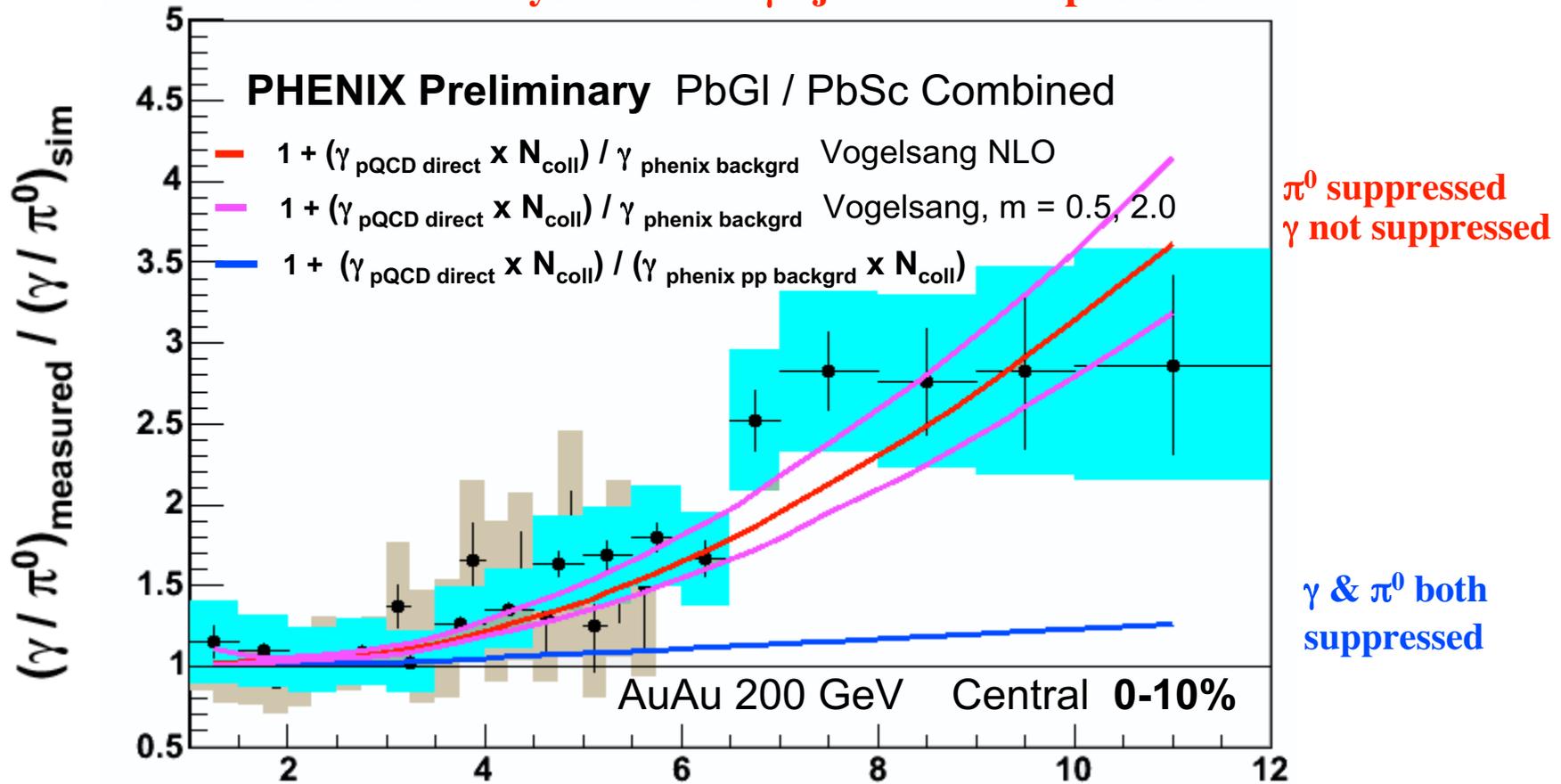
# Direct $\gamma$ -- QM02 Central 0-10%



$$[\gamma/\pi^0]_{\text{measured}} / [\gamma/\pi^0]_{\text{background}} = \gamma_{\text{measured}} / \gamma_{\text{background}}$$

# QM04 Results Central 0-10% WoW

Need lots more statistics+systematics  $\Rightarrow$   $\gamma$ -"jet"+thermal photons+...

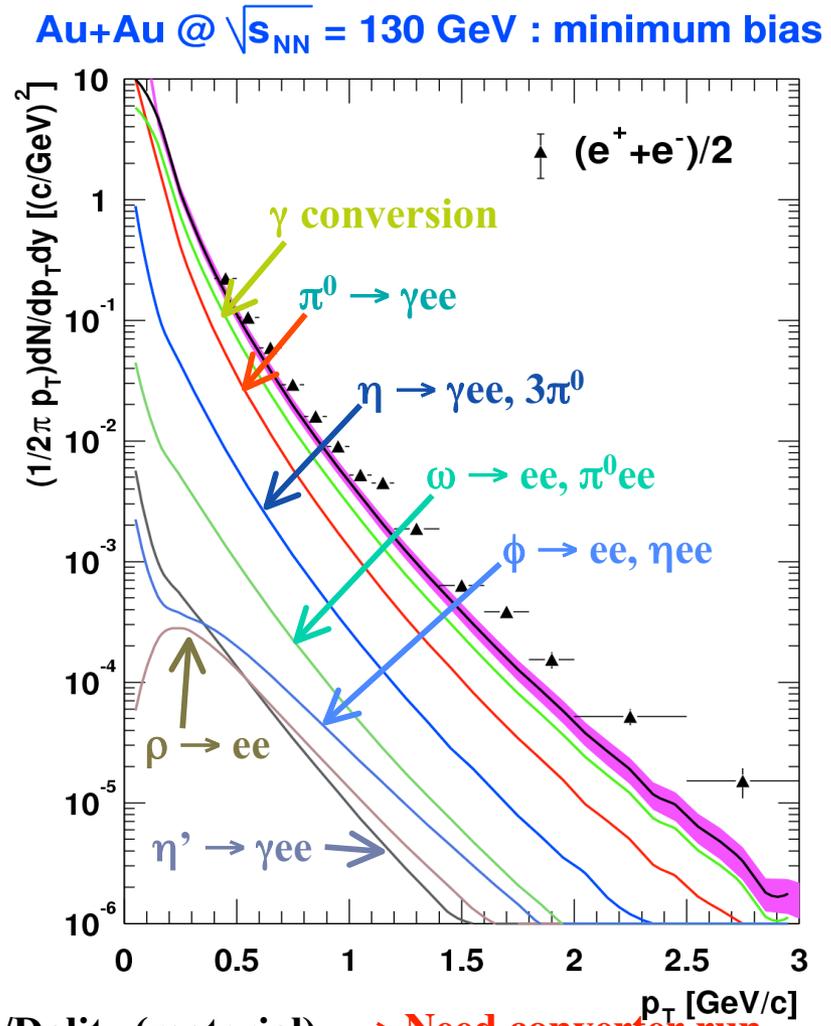
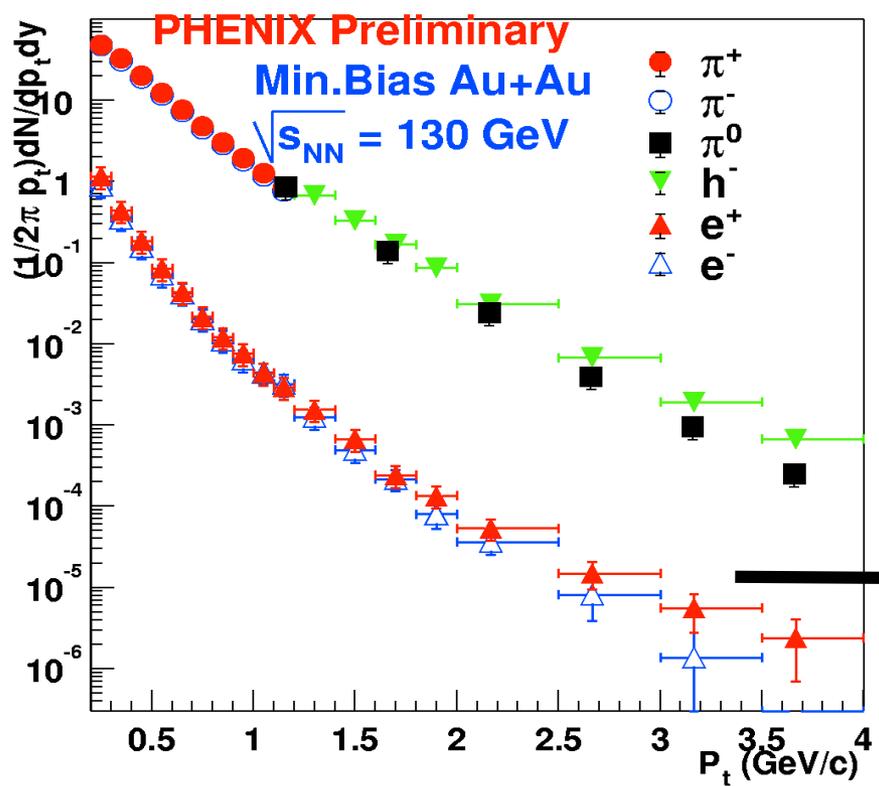


Theory curves include PHENIX  $\gamma_{\text{expected background}}$  calculation based on  $\pi^0$ :

$$(\gamma_{\text{direct}} + \gamma_{\text{exp. bkgd.}}) / \gamma_{\text{exp. bkgd.}} = 1 + (\gamma_{\text{direct}} / \gamma_{\text{exp. bkgd.}})$$

# Open Charm (via single $e^\pm$ ) AuAu 130 GeV

## A first in RHI collisions and very interesting



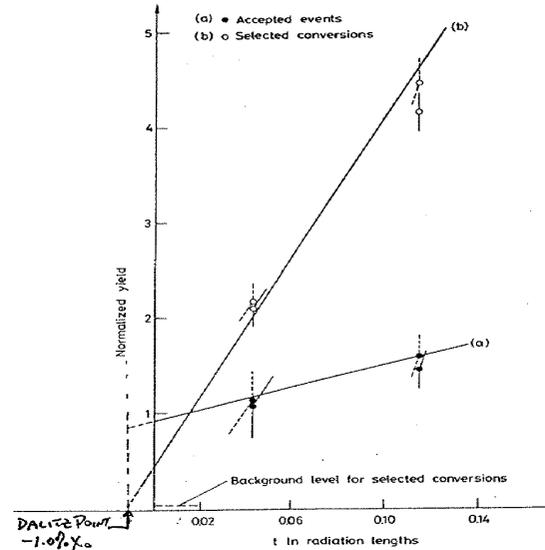
PRL 88, 192303 (2002)

● main systematic errors (band)

– pion spectra, ratio  $\eta/\pi^0$ , ratio conversion/Dalitz (material) ⇒ Need converter run

# Converter run separates photonic from non-photonic $e^\pm$

From CCRS PLB53, 212 (1974)  
Discovery of direct  $e^\pm$  at the  
CERN-ISR (S.N.White's thesis)



- Probability of internal and external conversion per  $\gamma$

$$\frac{e^-|\gamma}{\gamma} = \frac{e^+|\gamma}{\gamma} = \frac{\delta_2}{2} + \frac{t}{\frac{9}{7}X_0} \equiv \delta_{eff}$$

where  $\delta_2/2 =$  Dalitz (internal conversion) branching ratio per photon = 0.6%  $\pi^0$ , 0.8% for  $\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ .

- Still assuming the  $p_T^{-n}$  power law for the  $\pi^0$  and thus decay  $\gamma$  Spectra:

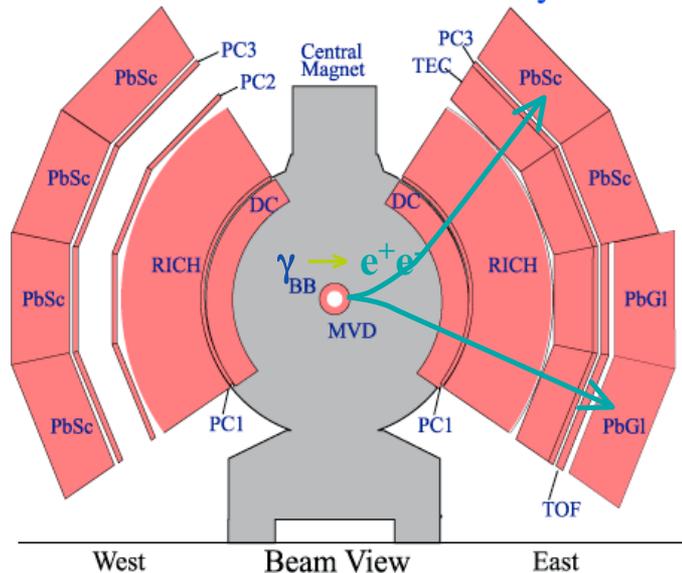
$$\frac{e^-}{\pi^0} \Big|_{\pi^0}(p_T) = \frac{(e^- + e^+)}{2\pi^0} \Big|_{\pi^0}(p_T) = \delta_{eff} \times \frac{2}{(n-1)^2} > 0.6\%/7^2 = 1.2 \times 10^{-4}$$

- Must keep external  $t/\frac{9}{7}X_0$  comparable  $\sim 0.6\%$  to avoid additional background from external conversions.

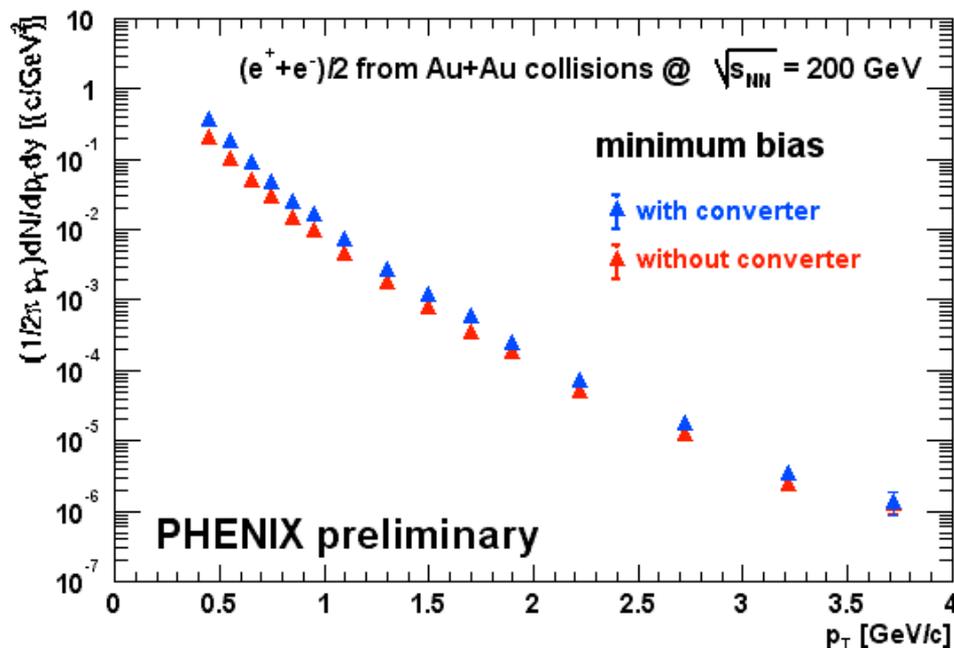
- But can add small external converter in test run to determine whether  $e^-/\gamma \rightarrow 0$  at "Dalitz Point"  $-\frac{9}{7}\delta_2/2 \sim 0.8 - 1.0\%$  in units of radiation lengths, **insensitive** to the  $\eta/\pi^0$  ratio. Converter curve measures the photonic background!

# QM02 PHENIX AuAu 200 GeV charm via $e^\pm$

PHENIX Detector - Second Year Physics Run



- Some data with 1.7 %  $X_0$  converter added
- converter only affects photonic component



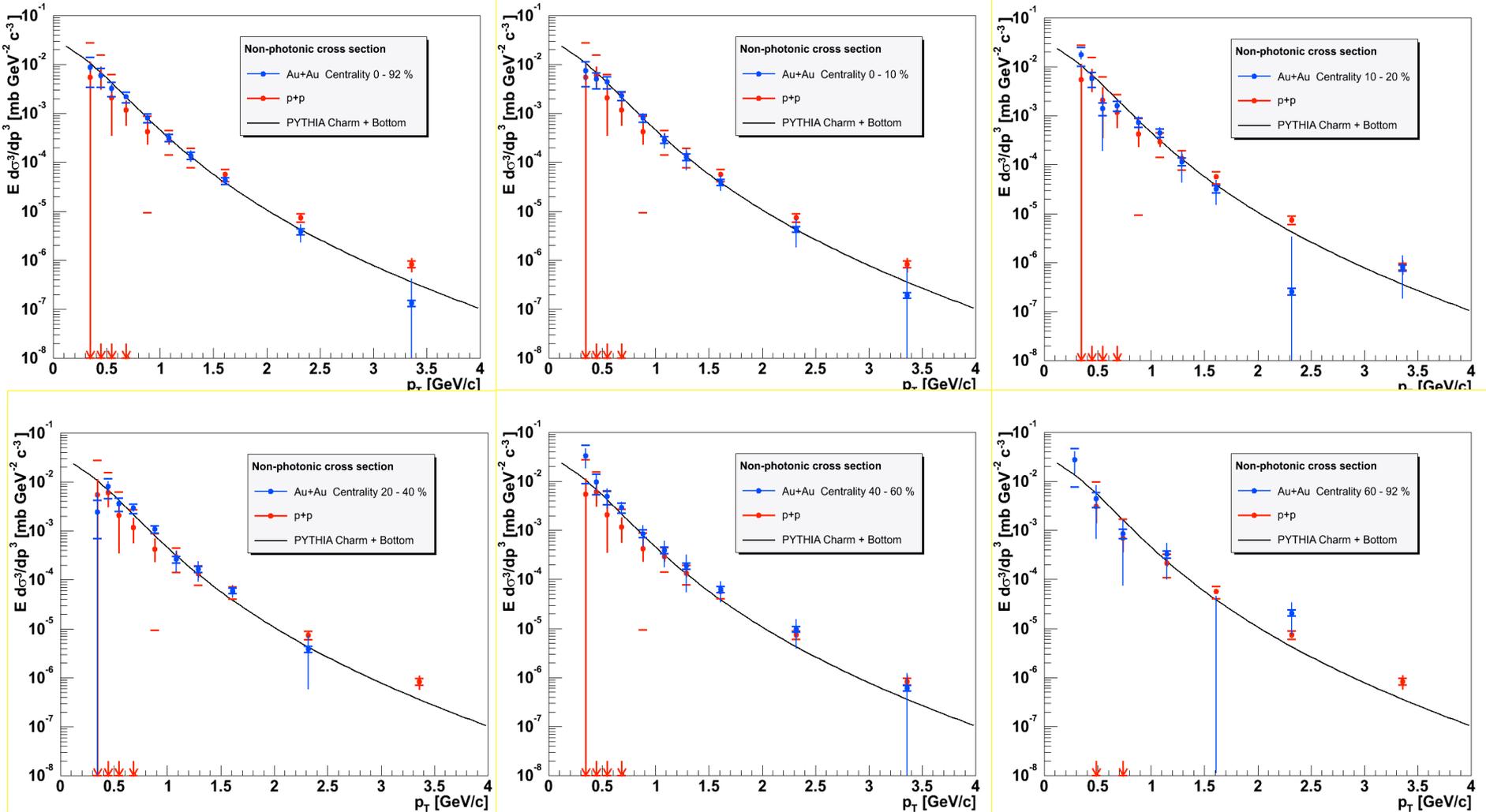
- converter effect is much greater at low  $p_T$ , indicating  
⇒ relatively much larger photonic component at low  $p_T$   
⇒ relatively smaller photonic (i.e. larger non-photonic) component at higher  $p_T$  (i.e. charm)

Reduced systematic errors.

# Single e $p_T$ distribution vs Centrality 200 GeV

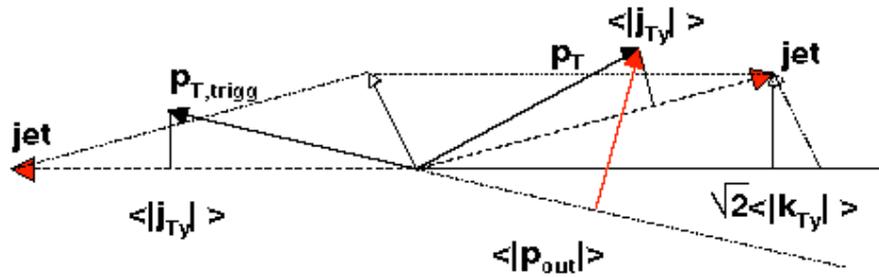
## AuAu data compared to pp data

Consistent with binary (pointlike) scaling  $\Rightarrow$  charm is not suppressed  
 Consistent with our 130 GeV Measurement PRL 88, 192303 (2002)



# 2-Particle correlations as the (only) way to measure jets in (Au+Au) collisions

from the CERN-ISR: CCOR PLB97, 163 (1980)  
 Jet properties given by widths and integrals of same and away-side peaks



CCOR--Feynman,Field,Fox-1978

$$\langle |p_{out}| \rangle^2 = x_E^2 [2 \langle |k_{Ty}| \rangle^2 + \langle |j_{Ty}| \rangle^2] + \langle |j_{Ty}| \rangle^2$$

$$x_E = p_T \cos(\pi - \Delta\phi) / p_{Ttrig}$$

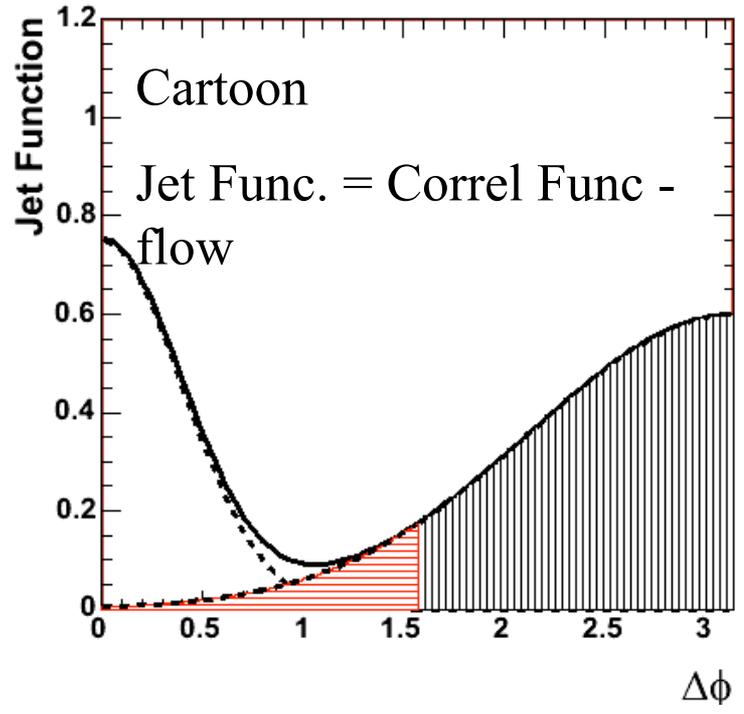
$$p_{out} = p_T \sin(\pi - \Delta\phi)$$

PHENIX--Rak,Tannenbaum-2004

$$\langle |p_{out}| \rangle^2 = x_h^2 [2 \langle |k_{Ty}| \rangle^2 \langle z_{trig} \rangle^2 + \langle |j_{Ty}| \rangle^2] + \langle |j_{Ty}| \rangle^2$$

$$x_h = p_T / p_{Ttrig}$$

$$z_{trig} = p_{Ttrig} / p_{Tjet}$$



# For everything you want to know about jet correlations using $\pi^0$ -see Jan Rak's talk

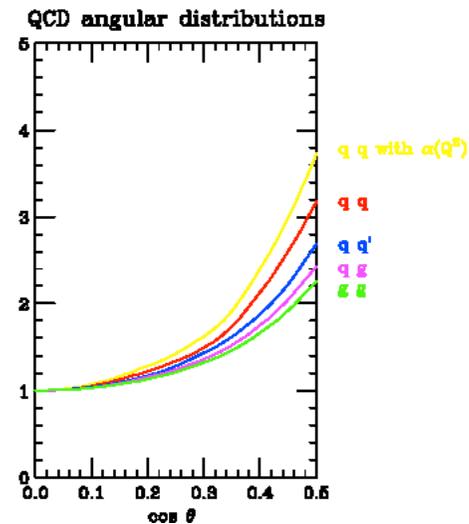
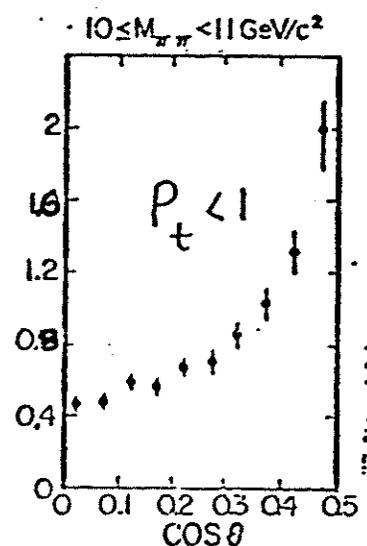
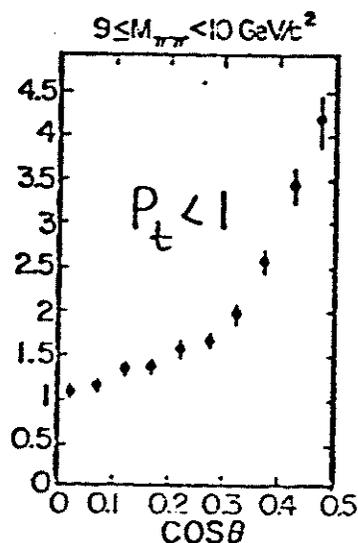
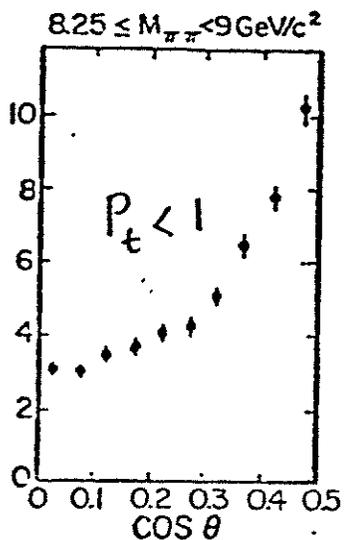
## But here's my favorite correlation from CCOR

DATA: CCOR NPB 209, 284 (1982)

Di Pion Angular Distributions  
 $\sqrt{s} = 62.4 \text{ GeV}$

CONSTITUENT  
 COM POLAR ANGLE

QCD



$$\frac{d^3\sigma}{dx_1 dx_2 d\cos\theta^*} = \frac{1}{s} \sum_{ab} a(x_1)b(x_2) \frac{\pi\alpha_s^2(Q^2)}{2x_1x_2} \Sigma^{ab}(\cos\theta^*)$$

$\Sigma^{ab}(\cos\theta^*)$ , the characteristic subprocess angular distributions

and  $\alpha_s(Q^2) = \frac{12\pi}{25} \ln(Q^2/\Lambda^2)$  are predicted by QCD

# Conclusions

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- It may very well be possible to find the QGP with only an EMCal
- But it's better with electron id at the trigger (still better with muons too)
- Even better with full charged hadron identification
- So the only remaining question is:

Did we find the QGP at RHIC?