

The sPHENIX Experiment at RHIC

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sPHENIX Upgrade at RHIC

the next generation Heavy Ion Physics experiment in the US

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sPHENIX design:Large acceptanceHigh rateHard probes

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US Nuclear Physics Long Range Plan (2015)



sPHENIX – to understand "Inner Workings of QGP"

REACHING FOR THE HORIZON



The Site of the Wright Brothers' First Airplane Flight



The 2015 LONG RANGE PLAN for NUCLEAR SCIENCE

"To understand the workings of the QGP, there is no substitute for microscopy. We know that if we had a sufficiently powerful microscope that could resolve the structure of QGP on length scales, say a thousand times smaller than the size of a proton, what we would see are quarks and gluons interacting only weakly with each other. The grand challenge for this field in the decade to come is to understand how these quarks and gluons conspire to form a nearly perfect liquid."





Outline

- sPHENIX detector and HI physics
 - Jets and photons
 - Upsilons
 - Open heavy flavors
- Cold-QCD physics opportunity
 - Spin, TMD, nPDF
 - Forward upgrade
- Outlook



The sPHENIX Detector



A high rate and large acceptance detector for heavy ion physics at RHIC



- B: 1.4 T
- 15 kHz trigger
- >10 GB/s data

Probing the Inner Workings of QGP in sPHENIX - Key Capabilities



Jet structure vary momentum/angular scale of probe



Quarkonium spectroscopy vary size of probe



Parton energy loss vary mass/momentum of probe



sPHENIX Detector Sub-Systems



MVTX (based on ALICE ITS/IB):

- 3-layer MAPS vertex tracker, R = 2.5 4.0cm
- Excellent DCA resolution, $DCA_{r\phi}$ < 50 µm @ p_T > 1 GeV/c

INTT:

• 2-layer Si strip, R = 7 – 10cm

TPC:

- 48 layer, continuous readout, R = 20 78 cm
- Excellent momentum resolution $p_T = 0.2 40 \text{ GeV/c}$



EMCal: Scintillating fibers embedded in W powder

- $\Delta \eta \times \Delta \phi = 0.024 \times 0.024$
- $\sigma_{\rm E}/{\rm E}$ = 16%/VE \oplus 5%

HCal: Plastic scintillating tiles + tilted Steel/Al plates

- $\Delta \eta \times \Delta \phi = 0.1 \times 0.1$
- $\sigma_{\rm E}/{\rm E} = 100\%/{\rm VE}$

Detector Performance: Tracking

GEANT simulations verified with test beam data



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Test Beam Data: EMCal & HCal







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Monolithic-Active-Pixel-Sensor (MAPS) based VerTeX detector ырны -- for Open Heavy Quark Measurements



MVTX spatial resolution



MVTX based on copy of ALICE staves with support structure modified for sPHENIX

Detector Status and Highlights

- All 32 oHCAL sectors received at BNL
- EMCAL sector 0 assembled at BNL
- TPC GEM pre-production started
- MVTX staves and Readout Units production in progress
- Successful MVTX, INTT, TPC beam tests at FNAL

9/10/19









Evolving sPHENIX Run Plan



Year	Species	Energy [GeV]	Phys. Wks	Rec. Lum.	Samp. Lum.	Samp. Lum. All-Z]
Year-1	Au+Au	200	16.0	$7 \ { m nb^{-1}}$	$8.7 \ \mathrm{nb^{-1}}$	$34 \ \mathrm{nb^{-1}}$	ר [
Year-2	p+p	200	11.5		$48 \mathrm{~pb^{-1}}$	$267~{ m pb^{-1}}$] /
Year-2	p+Au	200	11.5		$0.33 { m ~pb^{-1}}$	$1.46 { m ~pb^{-1}}$] '
Year-3	Au+Au	200	23.5	14 nb^{-1}	$26 \ \mathrm{nb^{-1}}$	88 nb^{-1}] 📕
Year-4	p+p	200	23.5		$149~{ m pb}^{-1}$	$783~{ m pb}^{-1}$	ר [
Year-5	Au+Au	200	23.5	14 nb^{-1}	48 nb^{-1}	92 nb^{-1}	

1st campaign 2nd campaign

- Guidance from ALD to think in terms of a multi-year run plan
- Consistent with language in DOE CD-0 "mission need" document
- Incorporates BNL C-AD guidance on luminosity evolution
- Incorporates commissioning time in first year

Minimum bias Au+Au at 15 kHz for |z| < 10 cm: 47 billion (Year-1) + 96 billion (Year-3) + 96 billion (Year-5) = Total 239 billion events

sPHENIX 3 Physics Pillars



1. Jets and photons

2. Upsilons

3. Open Heavy Quarks







Calorimeter jets + **precision tracking** for jet reconstruction and jet structure - **New era in RHIC HI jet physics!**



Key Observable: Direct Photon Tagged Jets

γ+Jet momentum balance

$$X_{\text{jet},\gamma} = \frac{p_T^{jet}}{p_T^{\gamma}}$$

Parton energy loss in QGP

Jet fragmentation in QGP

Jet shape modification

Mostly quark jets: ~80%



Modification of Photon-tagged Jets



(^{\fr}xp/Np)(^{\fr}N/1) generator-level $p_{\tau}^{\gamma} > 40 \text{ GeV}$ reco-level, p+p reco-level, Au+Au b=0-4fm R = 0.2 Jets 0.8 sPHENIX MIE projection 0.6 0.4 0.2 0.2 0.4 0.6 0.8 О .2 1.6 .8 2 .4 Χ_{Jγ} Study parton energy loss in QGP

γ+Jet momentum balance







(II) J/Psi Suppression Observed, w/ Surprises, @RHIC and LHC





D+

D-



- 1. QGP Suppression
 - Color screening
 - Breakup w/ "co-movers"
- 2. Regeneration
 - Coalescence of many c-cbar pairs produced in A+A

Upsilons! – focus of sPHENIX

• No regeneration



Upsilon Spectroscopy at RHIC







sPHENIX: Thermometer of QGP via clean separation of three Upsilon states









(III): Heavy Quarks - Unique Probe of QGP

- Study mass dependence
 - Jet quenching

 $m_{\mu} m_{d}$

- "Flow" interaction with medium
- Access QGP properties





 m_{s}

B-Hadron and b-jet Projections

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- Inclusive B-hadron/b-jet suppression and v_2 at RHIC
- Strong constraints on energy loss model of high energy probe in QGP
- Bottom quark collectivity \rightarrow clean access to D_{HQ} at RHIC energy



Di-b-Jet Modifications



Jared's talk: Monday



sPHENIX Complements LHC Measurements



- Excellent coverage at lowmedium pT
- Precision measurements with high statistics
- Larger QGP effects at RHIC for many observables at low pT
- Same probes at RHIC and LHC



A Broad Physics Program with sPHENIX

- Nuclear matter under extreme condition, "QGP"
- Nucleon and nuclear structures, novel QCD dynamics, "Cold QCD"



"Cold" QCD physics





Study Gluon Polarization

• Jets, hadrons, direct photons and more









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Physics with Transversely Polarized p+p/A Collisions at RHIC



Probe the Underlying Physics via Hard Scatterings TMD, Collinear Twist-3 Factorizations



(i) Sivers mechanism:

correlation proton spin & parton $k_{\rm T}$



(ii) Collins mechanism:

Transversity × spin-dep fragmentation



p+p/A: Collinear Twist-3 (RHIC): quark-gluon/gluon-gluon correlations

Access Sivers and Collins with Jet and Hadron Azimuthal Distributions in Transversely Polarized p+p/A Collisions



Forward Upgrade Proposal



Forward upgrade will bring in new physics capability – TMD, small-x physics, QGP over broader kinematics etc.



sPHENIX at Electron Ion Collider (EIC)



Study group (incl. non-sPHENIX members) working on EIC detector design based on sPHENIX



A Day-1 EIC Detector based on sPHENIX

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sPHENIX Timeline





Summary and Outlook



PHENIX experiment

- 16y+ operation
- Broad spectrum of physics
 - (QGP, Hadron Physics, Dark Matter)
- 170+ physics papers with 24k citations
- Last run in this form 2016



2000-2016

2017→2022; Physics: 2023+

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 \rightarrow nature of QGP

base on BaBar magnet

Jet, heavy flavor and beauty

Possible forward tracking and

quarkonia physics program

Comprehensive central upgrade

C: A+A, spin-polarized p+p, spin-polarized p+A

An EIC detector

 Path of PHENIX upgrade leads to a capable EIC detector

EIC: e+p, e+A

- Large coverage of tracking, calorimetry and PID
- Open for new collaboration/new ideas



>2025+

Time

The Growing sPHENIX Collaboration



77 institutions – 17 since formation of collaboration in December 2015

Augustana University Banaras Hindu University Baruch College, CUNY Brookhaven National Laboratory China Institute for Atomic Energy CEA Saclay Central China Normal University Chonbuk National University Columbia University Eötvös University Florida State University Fudan University Georgia State University Howard University Hungarian sPHENIX Consortium Insititut de physique nucléaire d'Orsay Institute for High Energy Physics, Protvino Institute of Nuclear Research, Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow Institute of Physics, University of Tsukuba

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Backup slides

sPHENIX: a State of the Art Detector for Heavy Ion Physics at RHIC



Sept 2016

Jan 2023

Jul 2018 -22



Super conducting magnet

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- 1.4 Tesla magnet, Φ = 2.8 m, L = 3.8 m Previously used in BaBar @ SLAC
- Moved to BNL in Feb 2015
- Successful cold low field test in 2016
- Full field test in 2018





breaking January 16, 2015

Photo by Andy Freeberg, SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory

20-ton magnet heads to New York A superconducting magnet begins its journey from SLAC laboratory in California to Brookhaven Lab in New York

By Justin Eure



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Jet Evolution @ RHIC

M. Habich, J. Nagle, and P. Romatschke, EPJC, 75:15 (2015)



QGP@RHIC → Closer to transition temperature

- Better access to strong coupling regime
- Larger fraction of jet evolution dominated by QGP medium @RHIC

Core sP

Three key approaches to study QGP structure at multiple scales

Jets and jet structure, Weidemann, PLB 740 (2015) 172





Y(2s)

Y(3s)

Y(1s)

Parton mass/flavor





γ – Jet Correlations





A Broad Physics Program with Jets @sPHENIX⁺■

Parton Mass and Flavor Dependence of Jet Suppression and more



B-jet tagging

- Multi-tracks w/ large DCA
- 2nd vertex mass reco'd







CMS work-point, Phys. Rev. Lett. 113, 132301 (2014)



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B-hadron Tagging

- Impact parameter (DCA) method to tag non-prompt D⁰ from B-meson decays
- Inclusive and exclusive channels possible







Charm Chemistry - Introduction

Charm baryon vs meson

• Heavy quarks transport in

QGP and hadronic phase of the medium

• Charm quark hadronization via coalescence

Lambda baryons												
Particle name	Symbol ¢	Quark content	Rest mass (MeV/c ²) \$	I ¢	J ^P ¢	Q (e) ¢	S ¢	C ¢	B ' ¢	T ¢	Mean lifetime (s) 🔶	Commonly decays to
Lambda ^[6]	٨٥	uds	1 115.683 ±0.006	0	$\frac{1}{2}^{+}$	0	-1	0	0	0	(2.631 ±0.020) ×10 ⁻¹⁰	$p^+ + \pi^- \text{ or}$ $n^0 + \pi^0$
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bottom Lambda ^[16]	۸b	udb	5 620.2 ±1.6	0	$\frac{1}{2}$ +	0	0	0	-1	0	1.409 ^{+0.055} _{-0.054} × 10 ⁻¹²	See Λ_b^0 decay modes 🔊
top Lambda [†]	Λ_t^+	udt	-	0	1 + 2 ⁺	+1	0	0	0	+1	_	_





Reconstruction of Λ_c



$\Lambda_c \rightarrow K^- p \pi^+$

Daughters $p_T > 0.6 \text{GeV}$ Daughters DCA < 50 μ m p DCA > 75 μ m, K DCA > 96 μ m, π DCA > 65 μ m Decay length Lc > 200 μ m DCA Lc < 100 μ m

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Centrality	signal	Background	Scaled events		
0-10%	5B	2B	24B		
10-20%	3B	1B	24B		
20-40%	3B	1B	48B		
40-60%	3B	1B	48B		
60-80%	5B	8B	48B		

Forward EMCal Simulations and Calibration

Full simulation setup exists in G4:



Cosmics energy response determined with vertical muons down into fEMC stack in standard G4 setup (3% sampling):



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Forward Hadronic Calorimeter R&D

- Essential for forward jet reconstruction, hadron energy measurement, and triggering
- Collaboration with UCLA group for STAR upgrade and EIC detector R&D





HCal Prototype Test Beam Results

