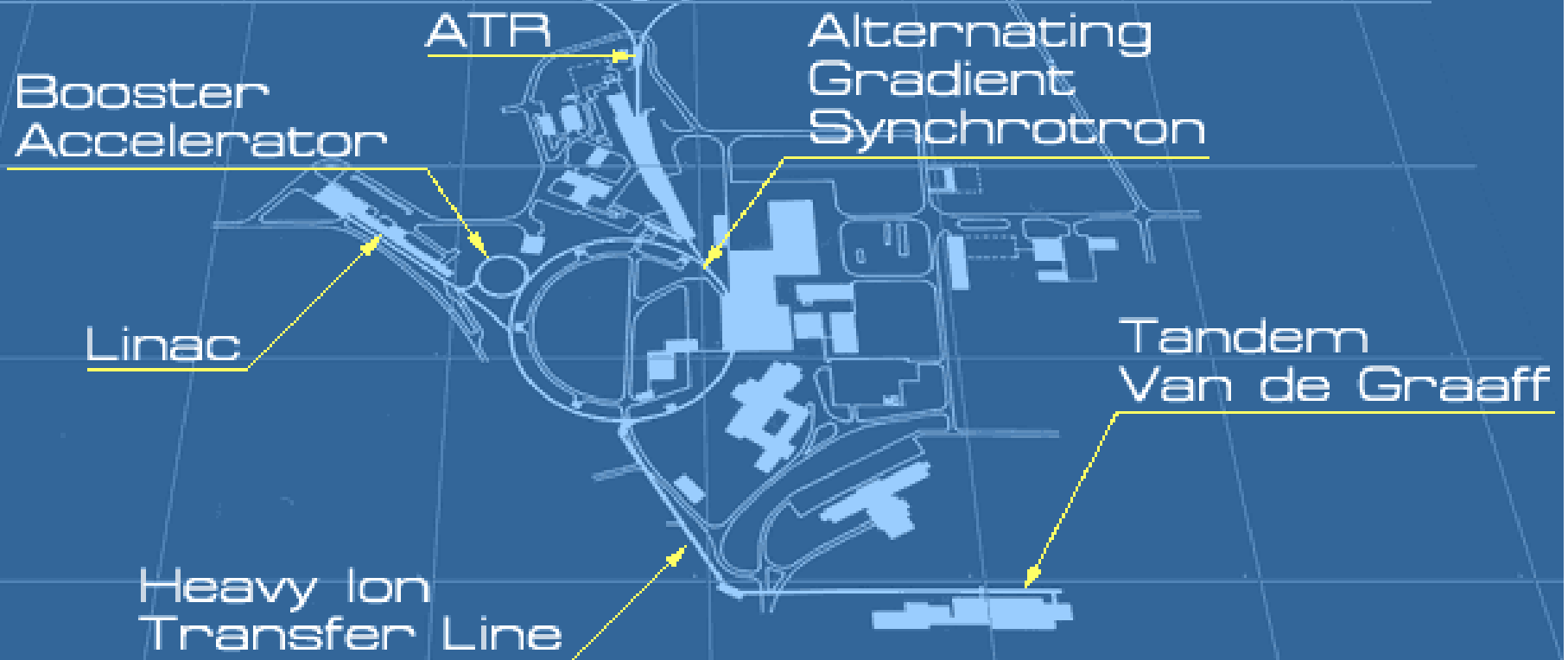


RHIC Overview



Agenda



- Introduction Franco Bradamante
- RHIC Overview Bill Zajc
- RHIC Spin+Upgrades Matthias Perdekamp
- Experience w. W Calorimeters Andrea Vacchi
- e-RHIC Ed Kinney

→ ***Plus informal discussion***

- My world-line (so far)
 - Thesis topic in (relatively) low energy heavy ions (1982)
 - Post-doc at CERN ISR R807 (“discovery” of jets)
 - Asst. professor in pre-history of D-Zero (1985-6)
 - Fixed target heavy ion experiments at AGS (1986-96)
 - PHENIX at RHIC (1992 to present)

RHIC Surprises (0)



(From a slide I wrote 6 months before RHIC start)

- Much of the interesting physics is luminosity limited
- (Single-species) colliders can take years to reach their full luminosity:

ISR
(Mike Tannenbaum)

FNAL
(Steve Holmes)

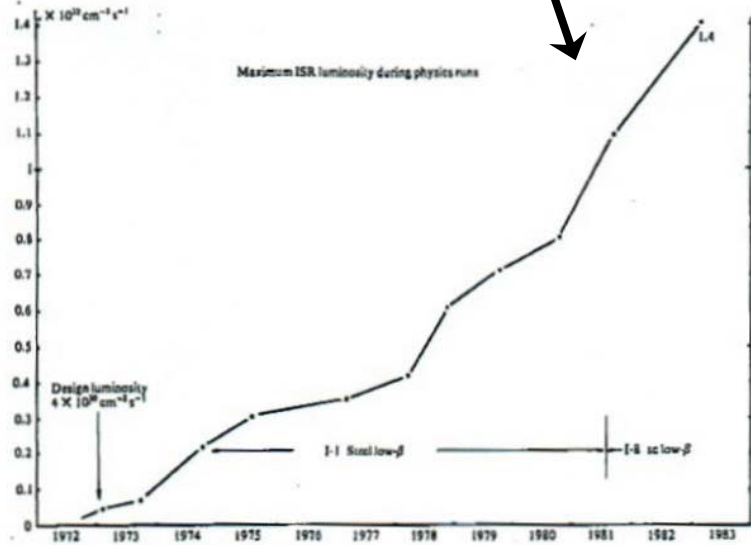
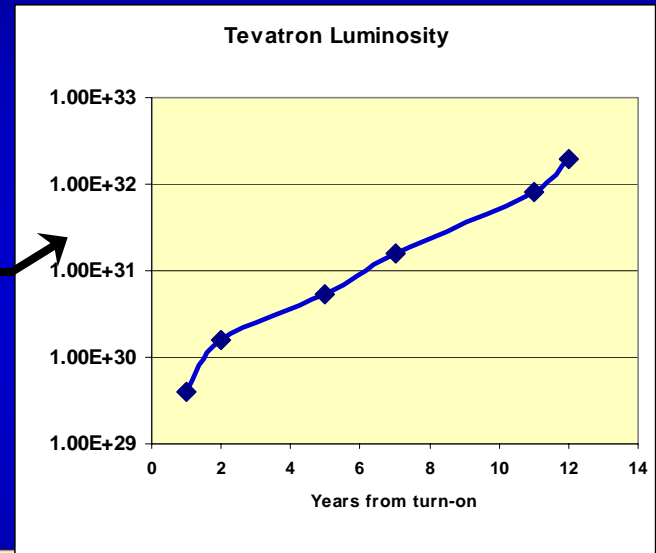
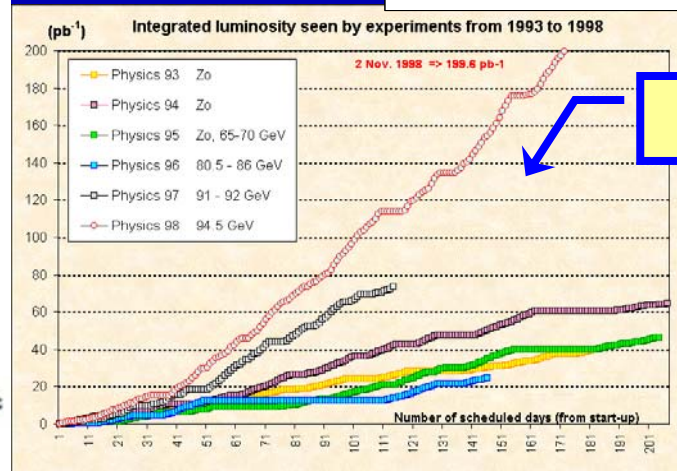


Fig. 9 ISR luminosity during physics runs: September 1971 -- First ISR experiment to be completed, R101; maximum luminosity = $1.3 \times 10^{29} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$; December 1982 -- Highest luminosity achieved for physics (R807) = $1.4 \times 10^{29} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$.



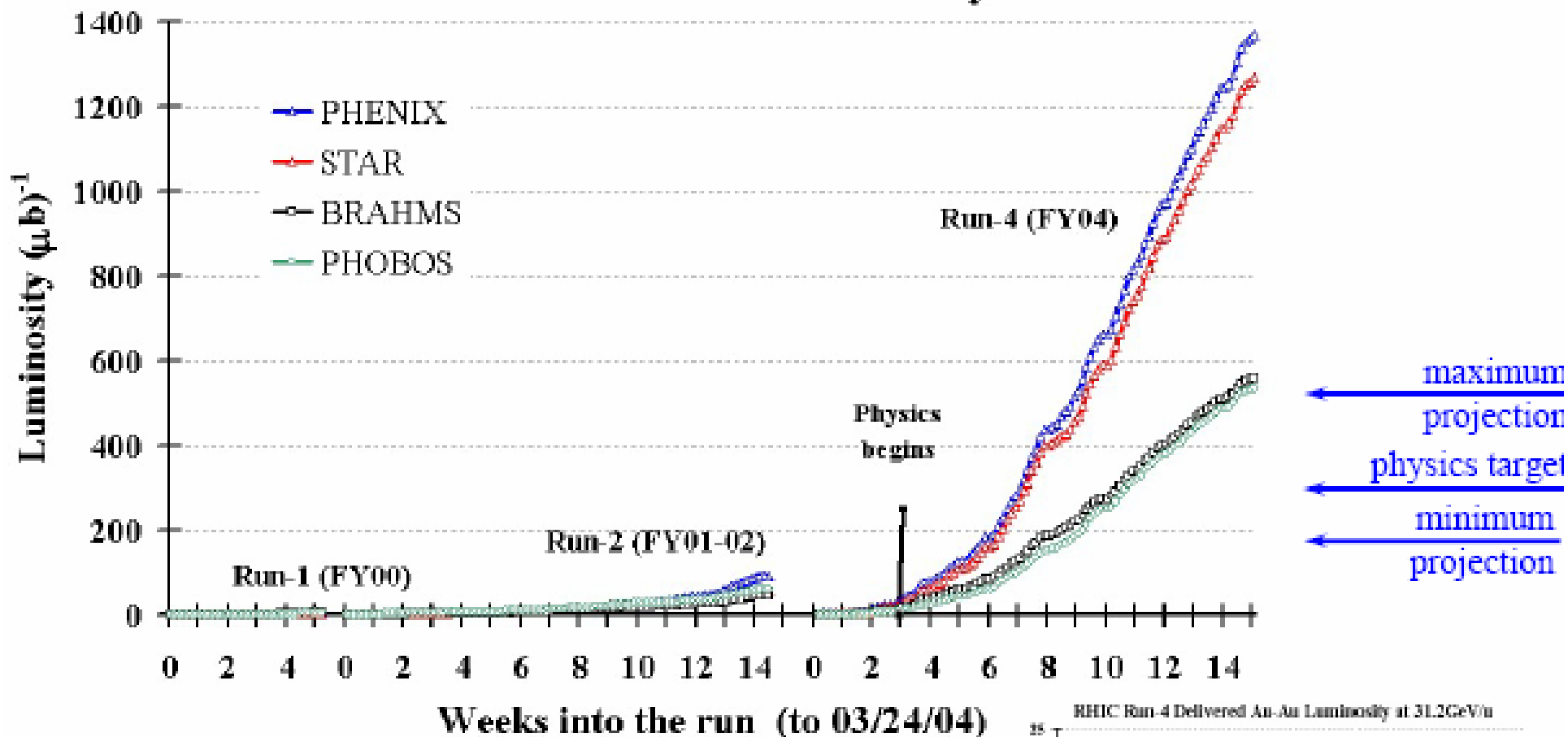
LEP

RHIC Surprises (1)



- Design luminosity for Au+Au achieved in second year of operations
- In Run-4, routine operation at twice design luminosity

RHIC Delivered Au-Au Luminosity



RHIC Run-4 Delivered Au-Au Luminosity at 31.2 GeV/u

RHIC Surprises (2)



(From a slide I wrote 6 months before RHIC start)

Again, learn from the past:

First CDF publication:

Transverse-Momentum Distributions of Charged Particles Produced in $p\bar{p}$ Interactions at $\sqrt{s} = 630$ and 1800 GeV, F. Abe et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 61, 1819 (1988).

- ~One year from data-taking.
- Much simpler final state!

→ *We will be hard-pressed to reach this goal*

→ *And much harder-pressed to maintain "CDF-like" rate*

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Transverse-Momentum Distributions of Charged Particles Produced in $p\bar{p}$ Interactions at $\sqrt{s} = 630$ and 1800 GeV

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The *Real* RHIC Surprises

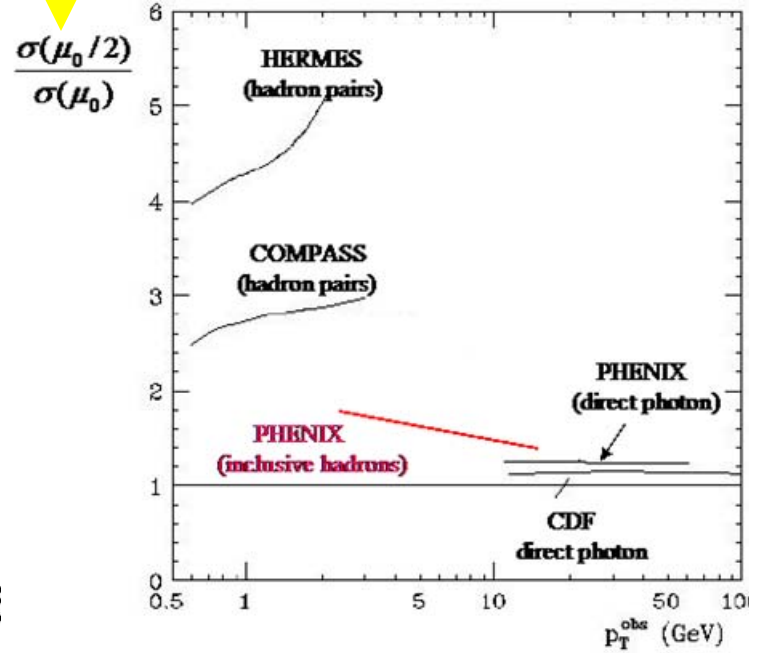
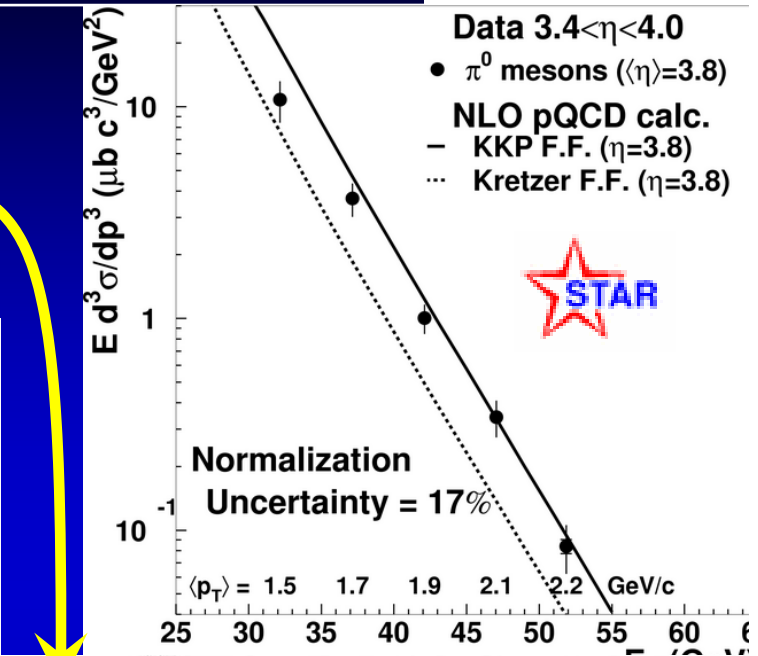
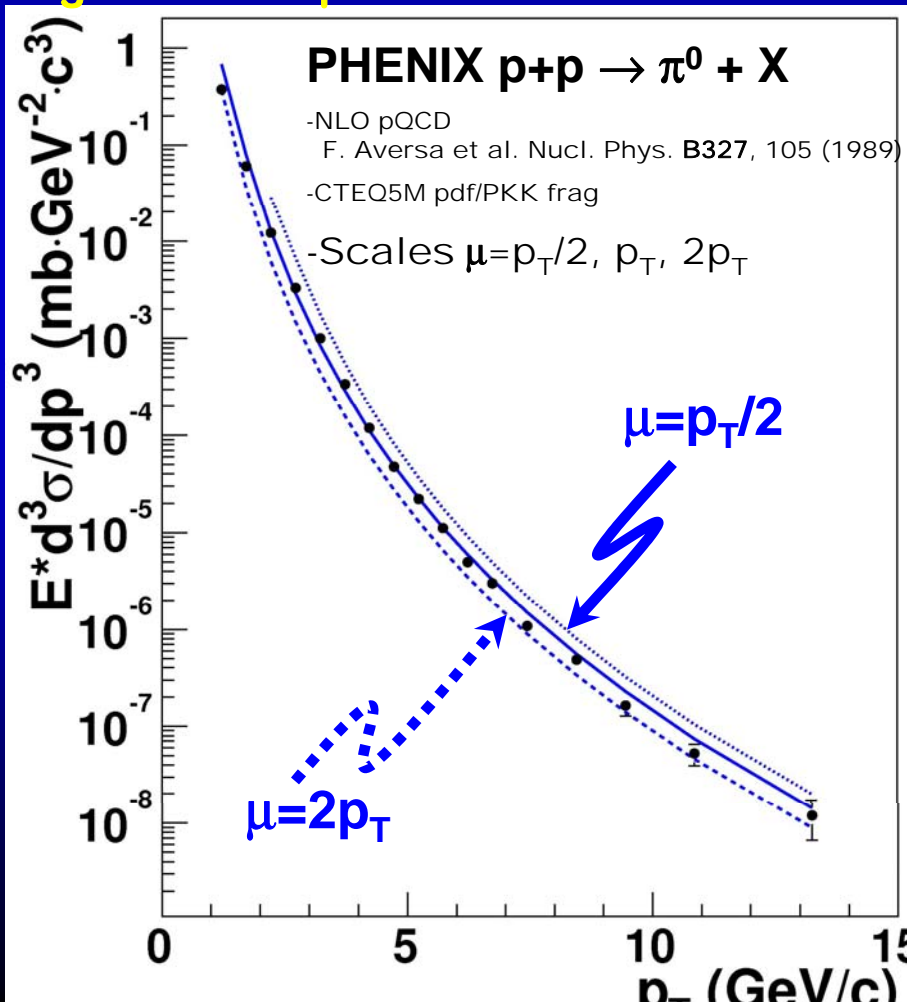


- **Machine :**
 - **Runs 1-4:**
 - ◆ Au+Au: operation at 4 energies (19, 62, 130, 200 GeV)
 - ◆ d+Au comparison run (200 GeV)
 - ◆ p+p baseline (200 GeV)
 - **Routine operation in excess of twice design luminosity !**
 - **First polarized hadron collider !**
- **Experimental Operations:**
 - **Routine collection, analysis of 100 Tb datasets**
 - **>50 publications in Physical Review Letters !**
 - **Excellent control of systematics and inter-experiment comparisons**
- **Experimental Results:**
 - **Record densities created ~100 times normal nuclear density**
 - **New phenomena clearly observed (“jet” quenching)**
 - **Strong suggestions of a new state of matter**

The RHIC *Non*-Surprise



- The high \sqrt{s} of RHIC
 - makes contact with rigorous pQCD calculations
 - minimizes “scale dependence”
- A huge advantage in
 - Spin program
 - Providing calibrated probes in A+A



RHIC Surprises (3)

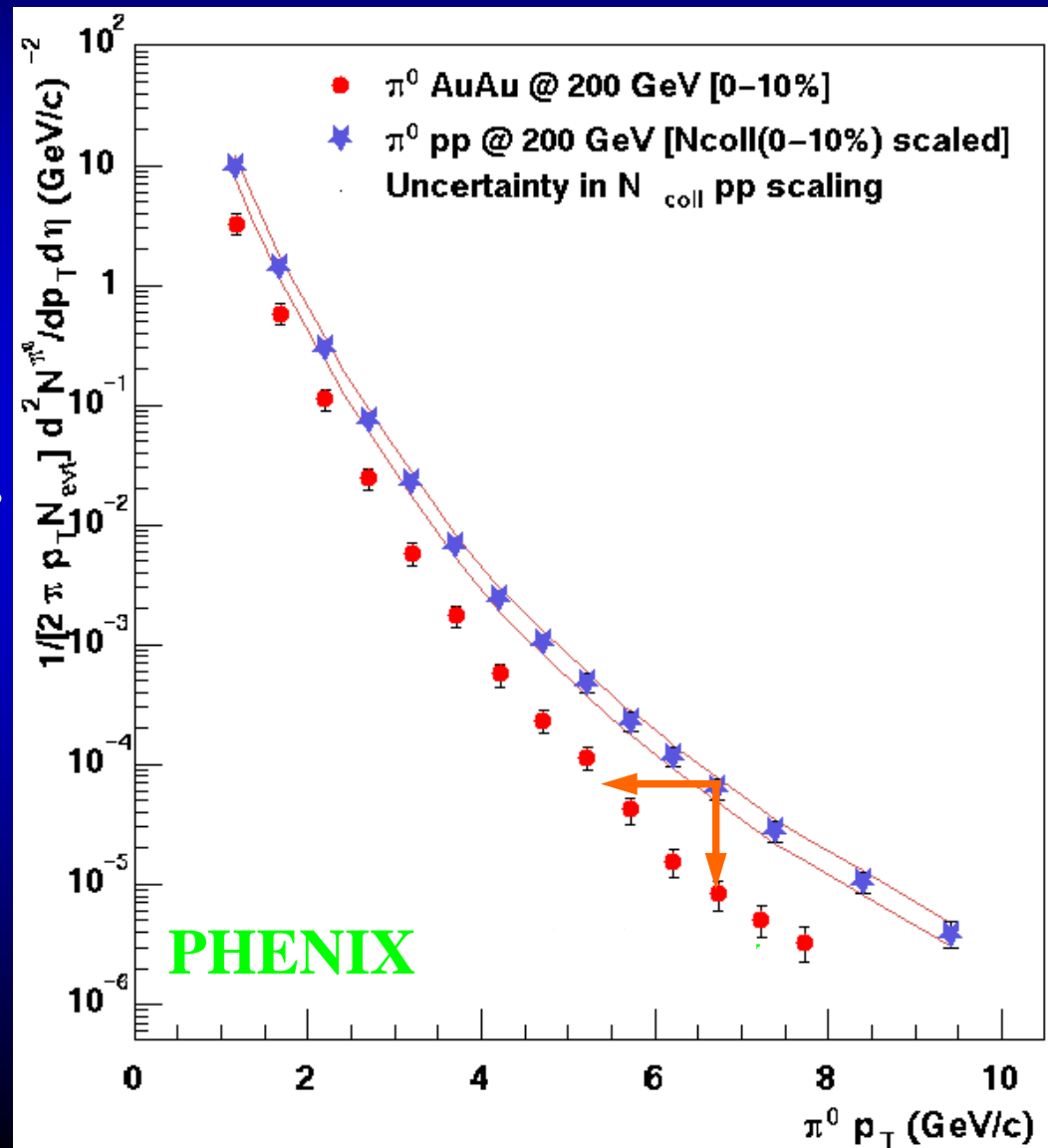


➔ *The study of truly high p_T processes has revolutionized heavy ion physics.*

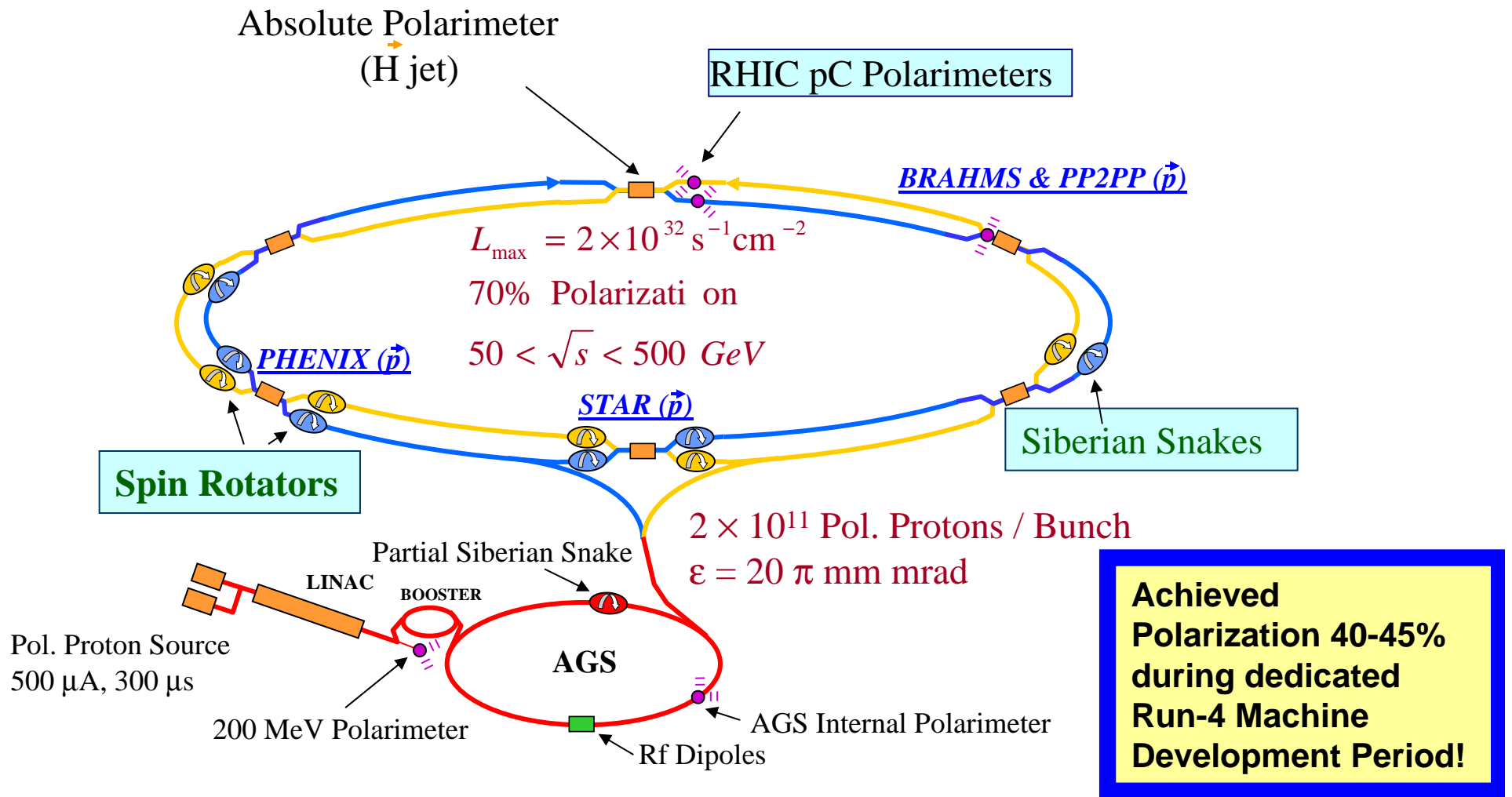
- Provides “first-principles” calculations of expected yields
- ➔ Central collisions show *huge suppression*.
- This is a **clear discovery** of **new** behavior at RHIC

❑ Suppression of low-x gluons in the initial *state*? ↓

✓ Energy loss in a new state of *matter*? ←



RHIC Surprises (4)

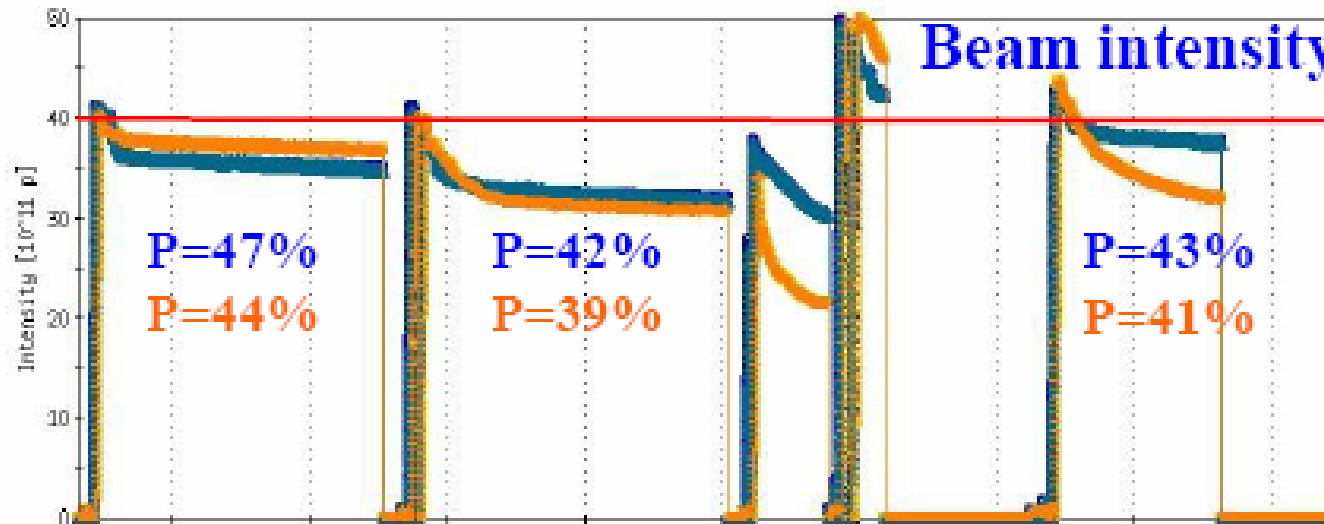


RHIC accelerates heavy ions to 100 GeV/A
and polarized protons to 250 GeV

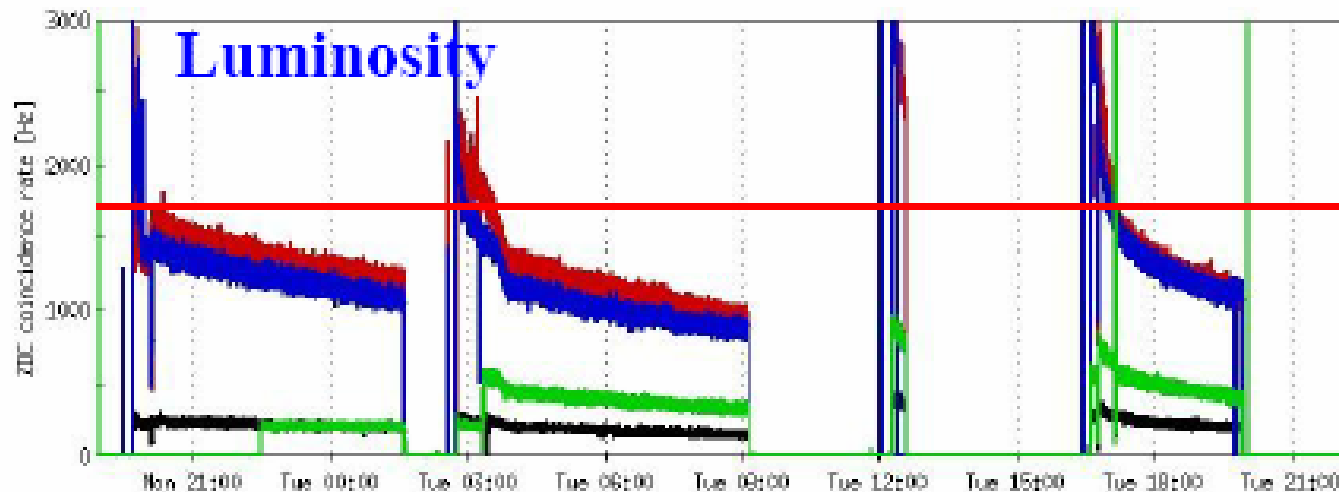
RHIC Run-4 Spin Performance



- Exceeded 200 GeV design luminosity (5×10^{30}) in Run-4
- Polarization development on schedule (and polarimetry)



$40 \cdot 10^{11} p$ in 56 bunches



$L = 5 \cdot 10^{30} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$

Experimental Spin Status



- To date:

- Cross Sections and Transverse Single-Spin Asymmetries in Forward π^0 Production from Proton Collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV, J. Adams *et al.* (STAR Collaboration) Phys.Rev.Lett. 92 (2004) 171801

◆ 0.15 pb^{-1} , $\langle P \rangle = 16\%$

- Double Helicity Asymmetry in Inclusive Mid-Rapidity π^0 Production for Polarized p+p Collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV, S. Adler *et al.* (PHENIX Collaboration), to appear in Phys. Rev. Lett.

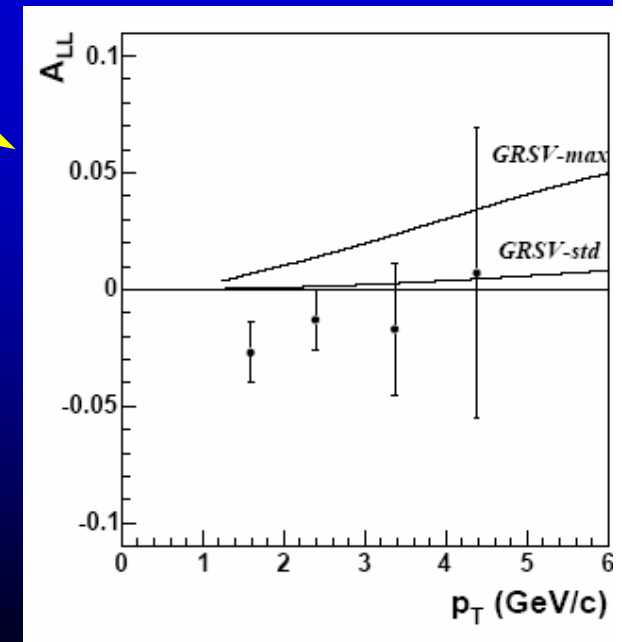
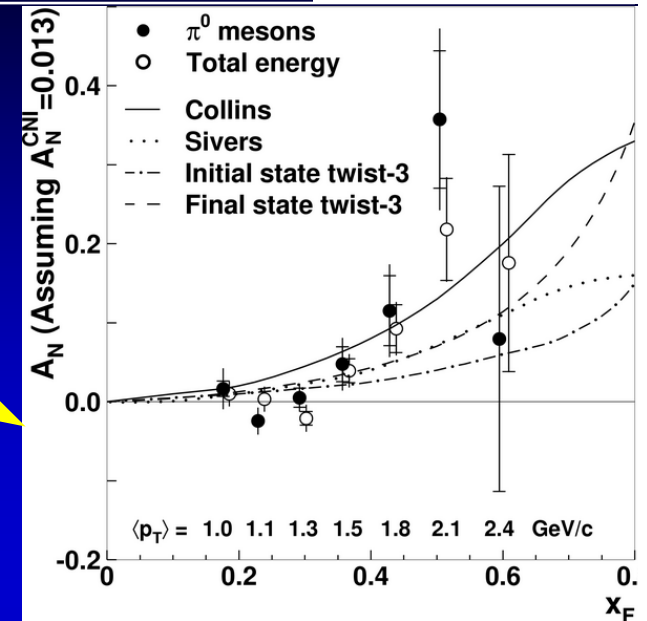
◆ 0.22 pb^{-1} , $\langle P \rangle = 27\%$

- To do (partial list):

- A_{LL} measurement in many channels at $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV (Requires $\sim 100 \text{ pb}^{-1}$, $\langle P \rangle \sim 70\%$)
 - A_L measurement via W^\pm at $\sqrt{s} = 500$ GeV (Requires $\sim 400 \text{ pb}^{-1}$, $\langle P \rangle \sim 70\%$)

- Requires

- (ongoing) beam development
 - Extended running (to begin in Run-5)



Connections (Spin)



- An obvious (in fact integral) programmatic connection

- “Spin” sub-systems have proven benefit to A+A, p+A measurements

- ◆ E.g., PHENIX Muons
- ◆ E.g., STAR Endcap

- Integrated presence in collaborations mutually beneficial

- An important intellectual connection:

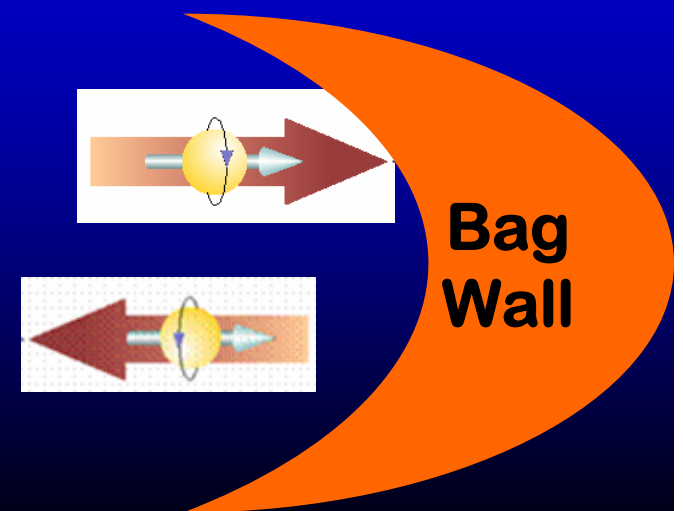
- Confinement
→ mixing of helicity components
- Transversity
→ requires chiral symmetry breaking
- *RIKEN BNL Research Center maintains and fosters that connection*

PHENIX Run Coordinators:

The most important position in PHENIX

Run-3: Matthias Grosse Perdekamp
(now Deputy Spokesperson)

Run-6: May be in this room...



A Tale of Two Plans



• PHENIX Decadal Plan

“A superlative set of measurements to elucidate the states of both hot and cold nuclear matter, and to measure the spin structure of the proton has been identified. The components of this plan include”

- **Definitive measurements that will establish the nature of the matter created in nucleus+nucleus collisions, that will determine if the description of such matter as a quark-gluon plasma is appropriate, and that will quantify both the equilibrium and non-equilibrium features of the produced medium**
- **Precision measurements of the gluon structure of the proton, and of the spin structure of the gluon and sea-quark distributions of the proton via polarized proton+proton collisions.**
- **Determination of the gluon distribution in cold nuclear matter using proton+nucleus collisions.**

• STAR Decadal Plan

“a vision of the compelling science STAR proposes to accomplish (a picture being developed). Three “Must do” STAR Physics Goals in the next 5+ years that drive the planned use of RHIC:”

- **Have we produced the quark-gluon plasma?**
 - ◆ p_T dependence of suppression
 - ◆ Measurement of open charm and charmonium
 - ◆ Full flow systematics (mesons, baryons, multiply strange baryons, open charm)
 - ◆ Evolution versus energy/species
- **Gluon contribution to the nucleon spin**
 - ◆ A_{LL} for mid-rapidity jet production
 - ◆ A_{LL} for direct photon + jet
- **Gluon density saturation in cold nuclei at very low Bjorken x**
 - ◆ Inclusive leading hadrons/jets in d+Au collisions
 - ◆ Search for mono-jets in d+Au collisions

PHENIX Run Request



- Polarized proton running is a major component of our request (also true for STAR)
- Brookhaven Program Advisory Committee has explicitly realized priority of spin running: *“There was a consensus within the PAC that a 8-10 week pp run at $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV should have the highest priority”*

Table 2: The PHENIX Beam Use Proposal for 31 cryo weeks in Run-5, and 27 cryo weeks in latter years.

RUN	SPECIES	$\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ (GeV)	PHYSICS WEEKS	$\int \mathcal{L} dt$ (delivered)	p+p Equivalent
5	Cu+Cu	200	10	7.0 nb ⁻¹	27.6 pb ⁻¹
	p+p	200	11	13.1 pb ⁻¹	13.1 pb ⁻¹
6	Au+Au	62.4	9	111 μ b ⁻¹	4.3 pb ⁻¹
	p+p	200	8	15.0 pb ⁻¹	15.0 pb ⁻¹
7	p+p	200	20	122 pb ⁻¹	122 pb ⁻¹
8	Au+Au	200	20	4140 μ b ⁻¹	161 pb ⁻¹
9	p+p	500	20	359 pb ⁻¹	359 pb ⁻¹
10	d+Au	200	20	91.6 nb ⁻¹	36 pb ⁻¹

$A_{LL}(\pi^0)$ in Run-5



- Assumptions:

- 11 physics weeks
- 'Usual' geometric mean of minimum and maximum guidance
- $\langle P \rangle = 45\%$
- ➔ Integrated luminosity: 5.5 pb^{-1}
- ➔ Figure of merit: $\sim 100 \times \text{Run-3}$

- Implications

- Current errors reduced by $>$ factor of ten
- p_T reach extended to $\sim 7 \text{ GeV}/c$
- ➔ Access to $g+q$, in addition to $g+g$, production mechanism

B. Jäger et al. hep-ph/0211007

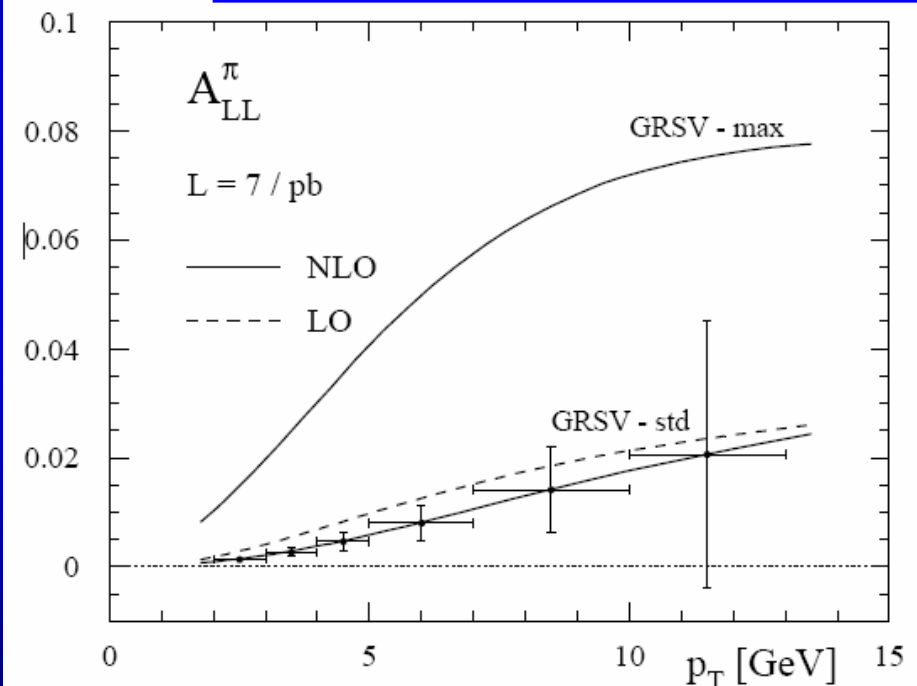


FIG. 3: The measured double spin asymmetry $A_{LL}^{\pi^0}$ versus mean p_T of π^0 's in each bin. A scale uncertainty of $\pm 65\%$ is not included. Two theoretical calculations based on NLO pQCD are also shown for comparison with the data (see text for details).

The Challenges For The Next Decade



A. Move from *exploration of* new matter formed in A+A collisions to *characterization of* its properties

➔ Uses same tools as spin program

- High p_T identified particles
- Jets
- Open Charm
- J/Ψ 's
- Direct photons

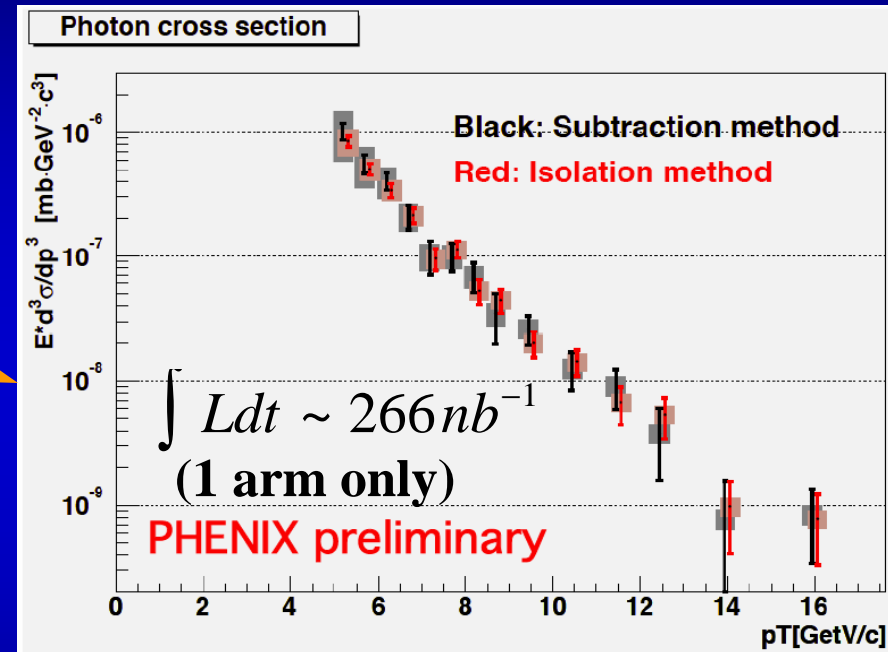
B. Accelerate progress in the developing spin program

C. Upgrade detectors to

- Maximize items A and B
- While maintaining physics program by minimizing shutdowns

D. Upgrade RHIC to

- Maximize items A, B, C and D
- While maintaining physics program by minimizing shutdowns



Present PHENIX Physics Capabilities



designed to measure rare probes:

Au-Au & p-p spin

+ high rate capability & granularity

+ good mass resolution and particle ID

- limited acceptance

- 2 central arms:
electrons, photons, hadrons

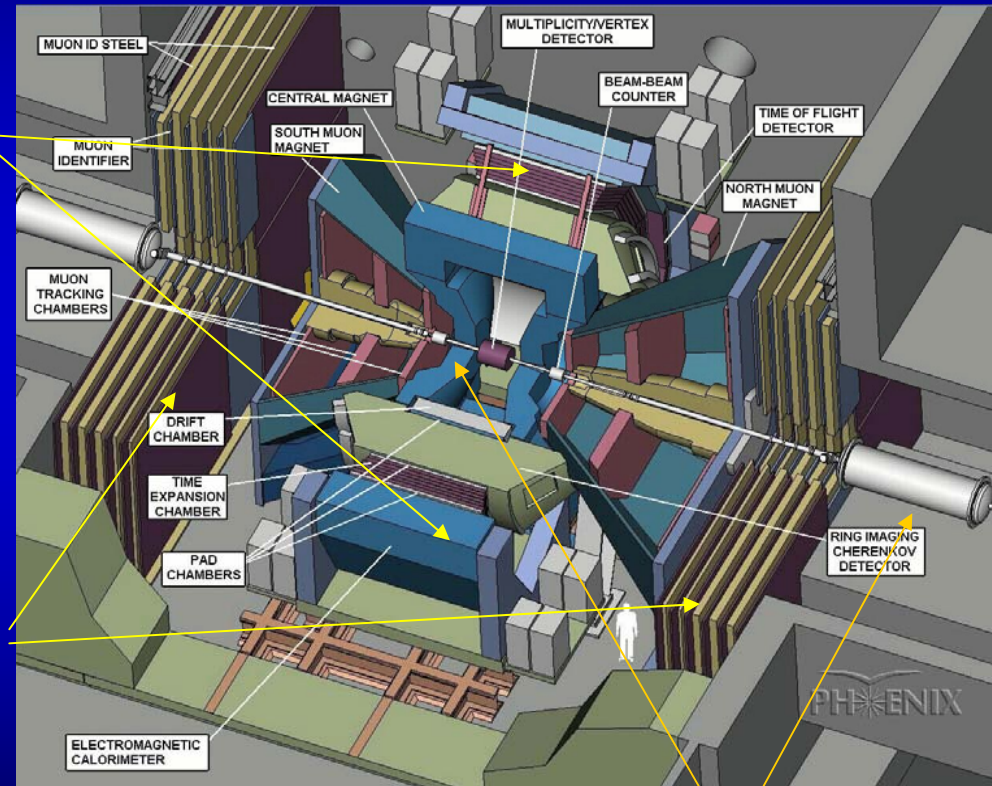
- charmonium $J/\psi, \psi' \rightarrow e^+e^-$
- vector meson $\rho, \omega, \phi \rightarrow e^+e^-$
- high p_T π^0, π^+, π^-
- direct photons
- open charm
- hadron physics

- 2 muon arms: muons

- "onium" $J/\psi, \psi', \Upsilon \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$
- vector meson $\phi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$
- open charm

- combined central and muon arms:

charm production $DD \rightarrow eu$



- global detectors
- forward energy and multiplicity
 - event characterization

Upgrades of PHENIX Detector



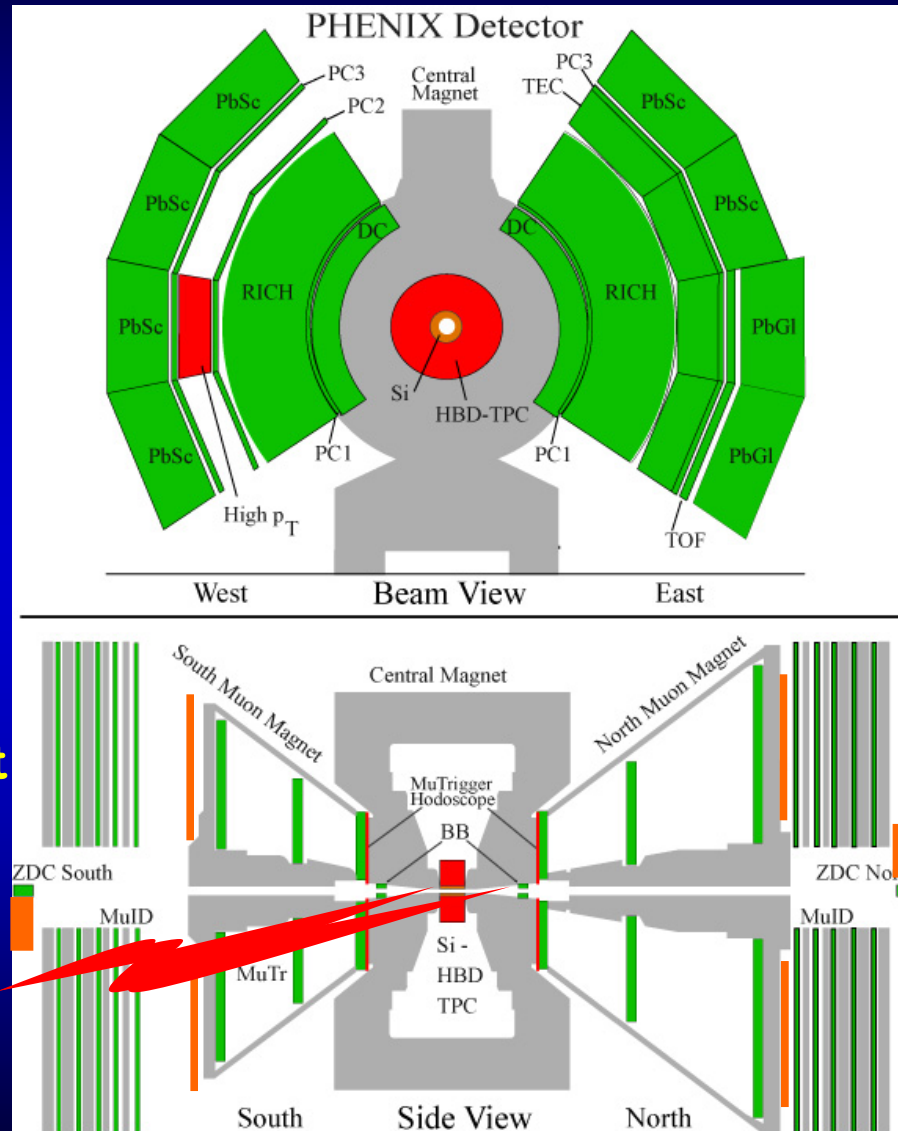
- enhanced particle ID

- TRD (east)
- Aerogel/TOF (west)

- enhanced muon trigger

- forward hodoscopes
- anode readout
- Cerenkov detector
- Nosecone calorimeters

- DAQ/trigger



- Vertex Spectrometer

- flexible magnetic field
- silicon vertex tracker
- TPC/HBD

- pA centrality detectors

- forward calorimeter

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The Inevitable Visa Question...



- The RHIC User Community is an *international* community:
 - ❑ > 1000 Members
 - ❑ < 30% U.S. Citizens
- Visa issues minimized by active
 - ❑ Users' Center
 - ❑ Support staff in collaborations
- Informal ranking of PHENIX experience



- ❑ U.S.
 - ❑ France
 - ❑ Sweden
 - ❑ Germany
 - ❑ Israel
 - ❑ Brazil
 - ❑ Hungary
 - ❑ Korea
 - ❑ Japan
 - ❑ Russia
 - ❑ China
 - ❑ India
- ~ None
- Occasional
- Challenging

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Summary



- **2000-2004: A period of unprecedented discovery in the initial operation of RHIC**
- **2005-2009: RHIC as the premiere QCD facility in the world**
- **2010-2015: RHIC II as the premiere QCD facility in the world**
- **2015++ : eRHIC and RHIC II as the premiere QCD facility in the world**

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