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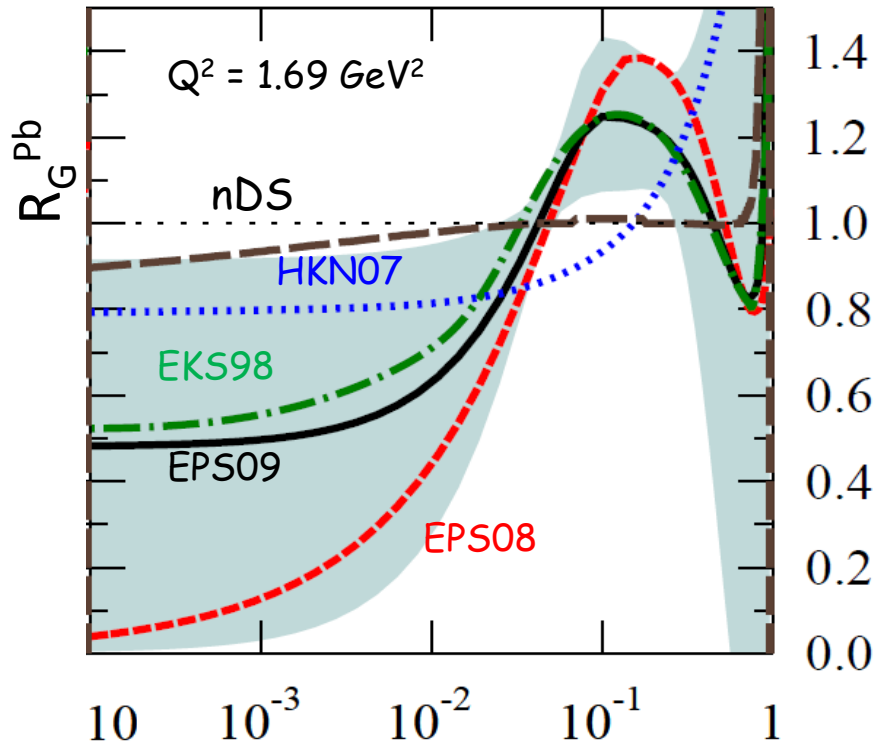
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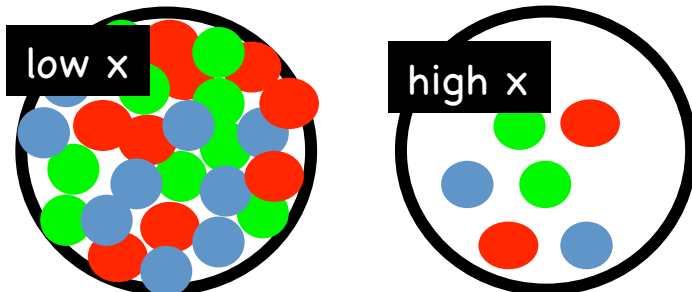
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Cold Nuclear Matter



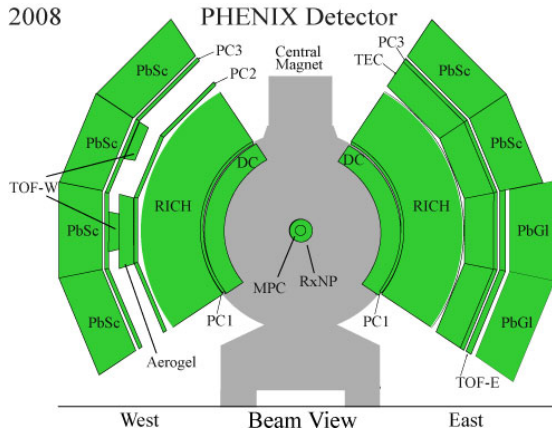
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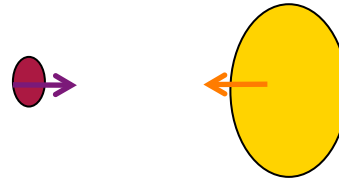
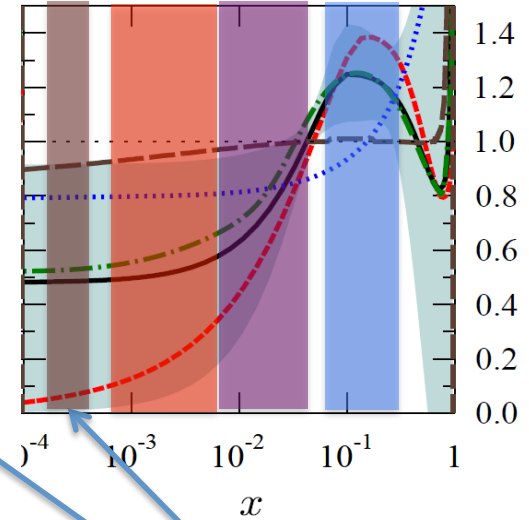
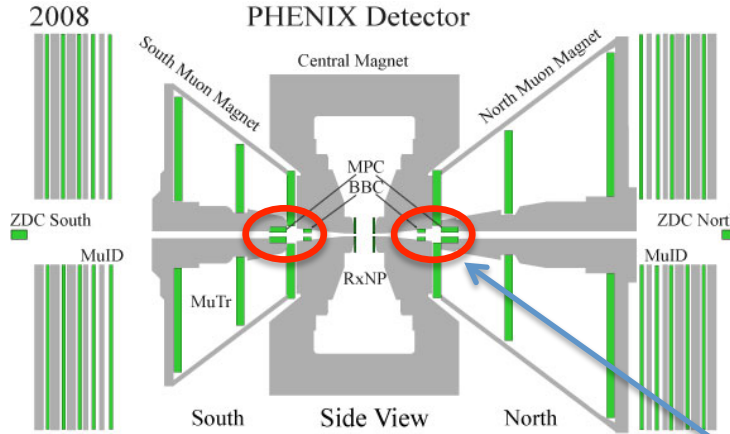
- Initial state effects
 - Modification of gluon distribution
 - shadowing
 - anti-shadowing
 - Gluon saturation
 - Energy loss and broadening
- Final state effects
 - Nuclear absorption
 - Coalescence?
- Probes:
 - Photons, hadrons, jets, open and closed heavy flavor
 - Two-particle correlations

PHENIX Acceptance in d+Au

2008



2008



MPC-S

South Muon Arm

Central Arms

North Muon Arm

MPC-N

$$-3.8 < \eta < -3$$

$$-2.2 < \eta < -1.2$$

$$|\eta| < 0.5$$

$$1.2 < \eta < 2.2$$

$$3 < \eta < 3.8$$

larger x in Au
 $10^{-1} < x < 10^0$

large x in Au
 $10^{-1} < x < 10^0$

medium x in Au
 $x \approx 10^{-2}$ in Au

small x in Au
 $10^{-3} < x < 10^{-2}$

smaller x in Au
 $10^{-4} < x < 10^{-3}$

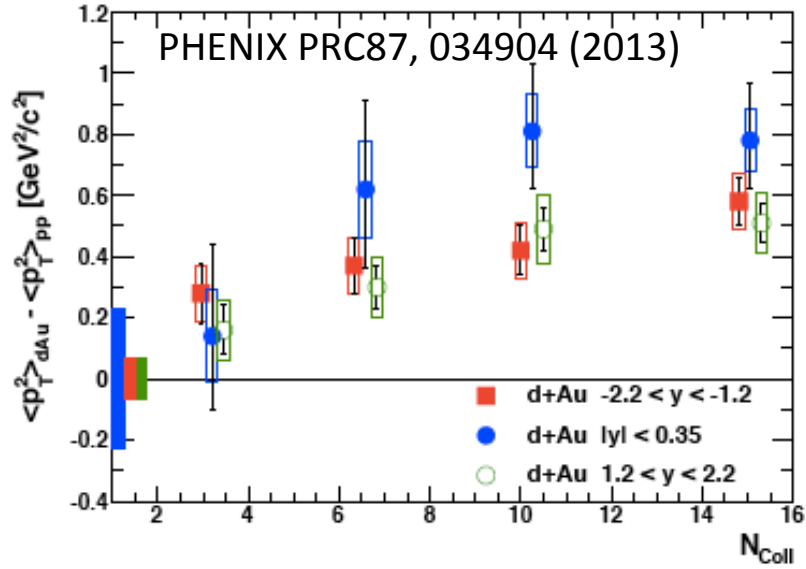
anti-shadowing

anti-shadowing

shadowing

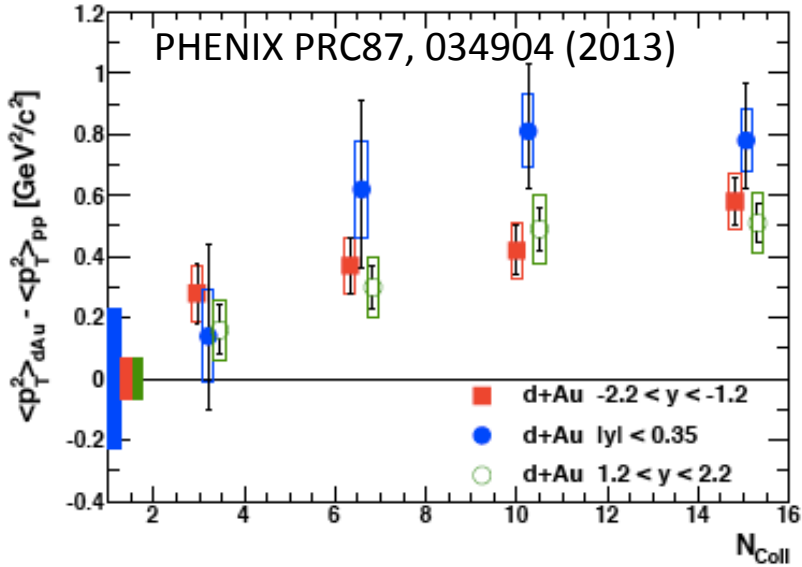
saturation?

J/ψ



- p_T broadens (multiple scattering) w/ N_{coll} ; effect stronger at $y=0$

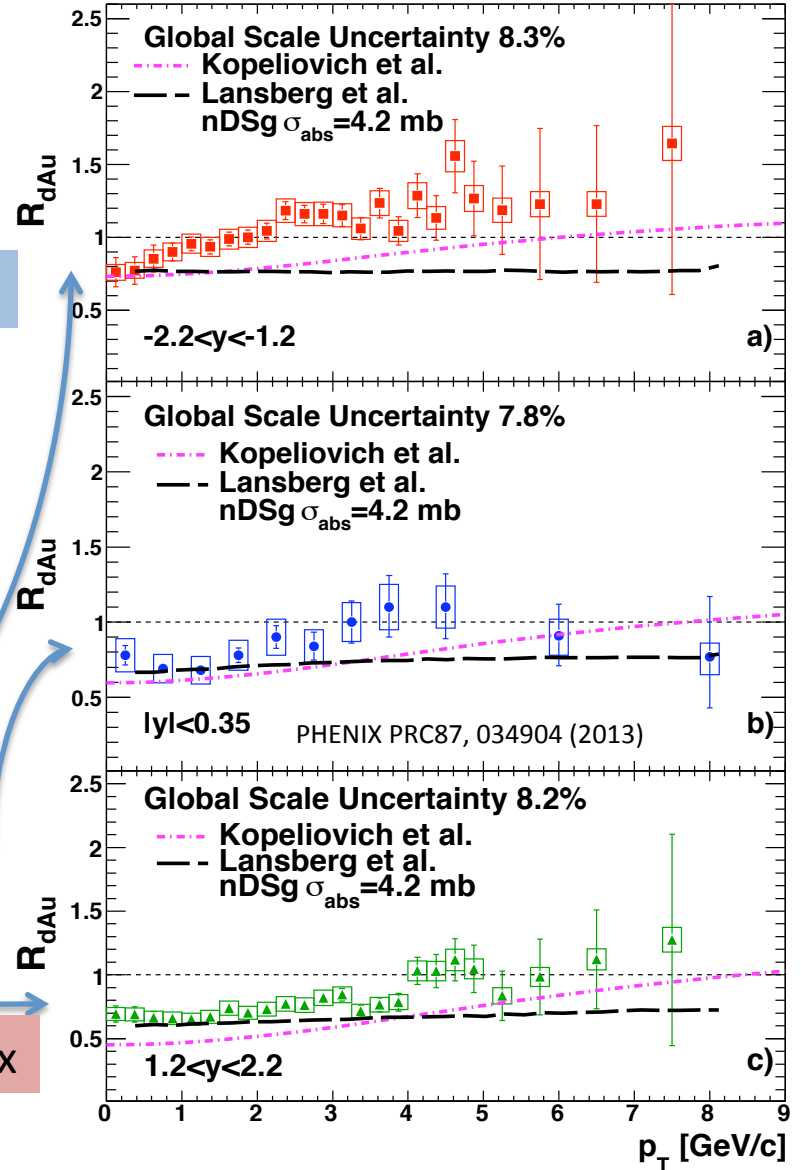
J/ψ



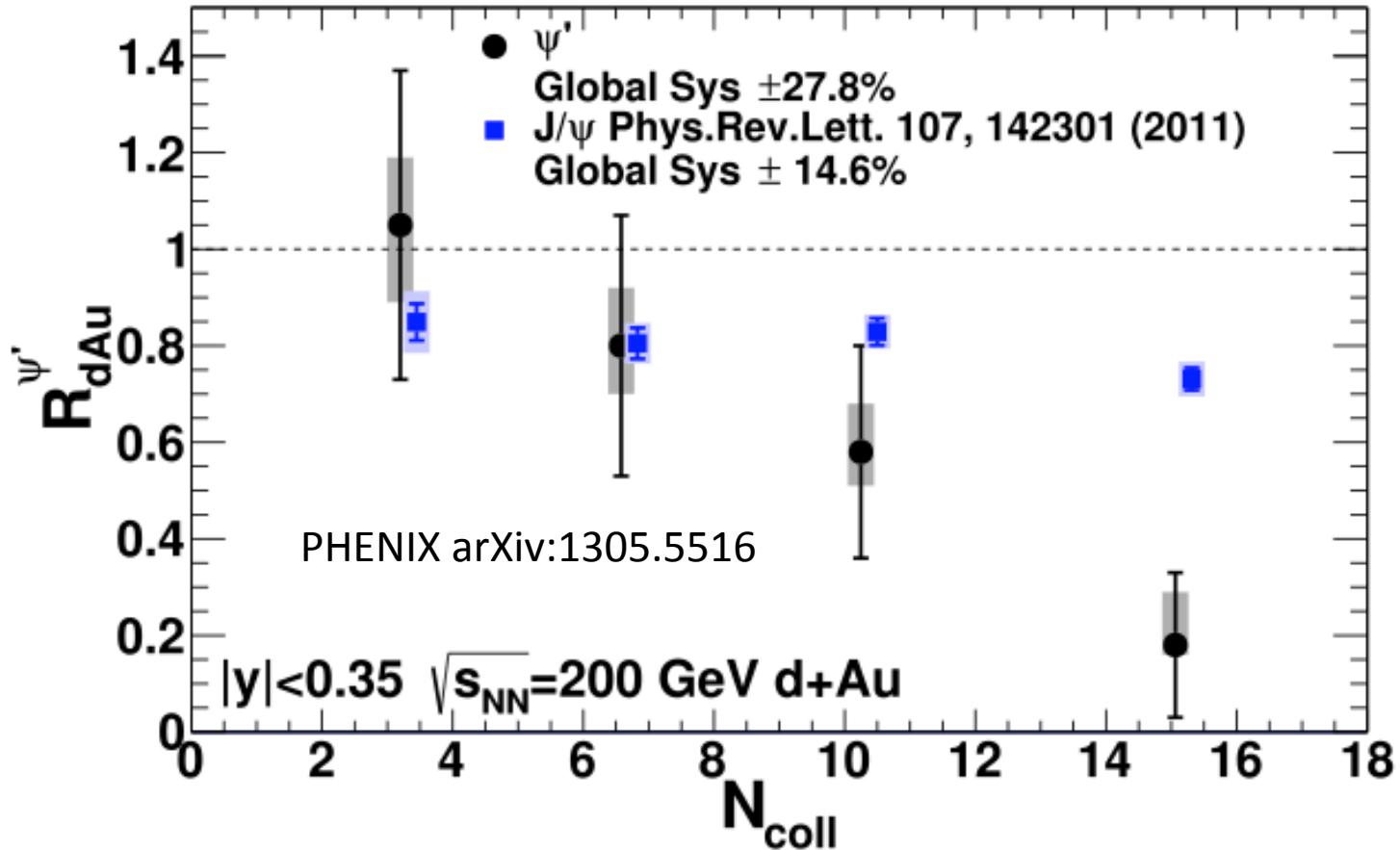
- p_T broadens (multiple scattering) w/ N_{coll} ; effect stronger at $y=0$
- backward y :
 - only suppressed at lowest p_T
 - then rapid increase
- mid and forward y :
 - Much more gradual increase with p_T
 - Very similar in level and shape

high x

low x

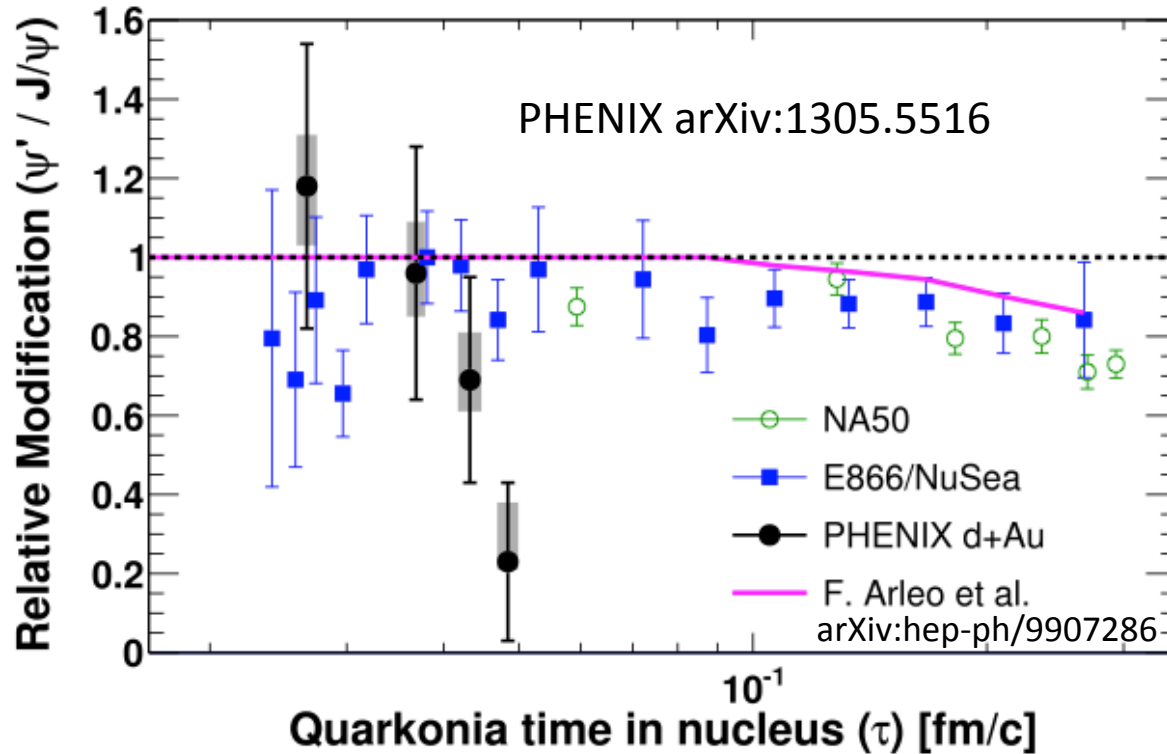


$$\psi' R_{dAu}$$



- Less tightly-bound/larger ψ' more suppressed than J/ψ in dAu
- not initial state effect (parton level)
- Suggests final-state effect (hadron level)

ψ' time in nucleus



- Time in nucleus is short at $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV
- Shorter than bound state formation time! Late final state effect?

Open Heavy Flavor

- No issue of final break-up
- But x less constrained
- Harder to measure
 - non-photonic single leptons (from semi-leptonic decays)
 - no mass peak

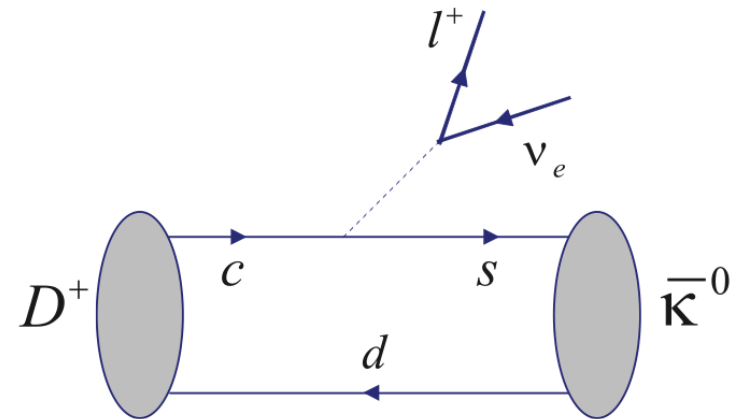
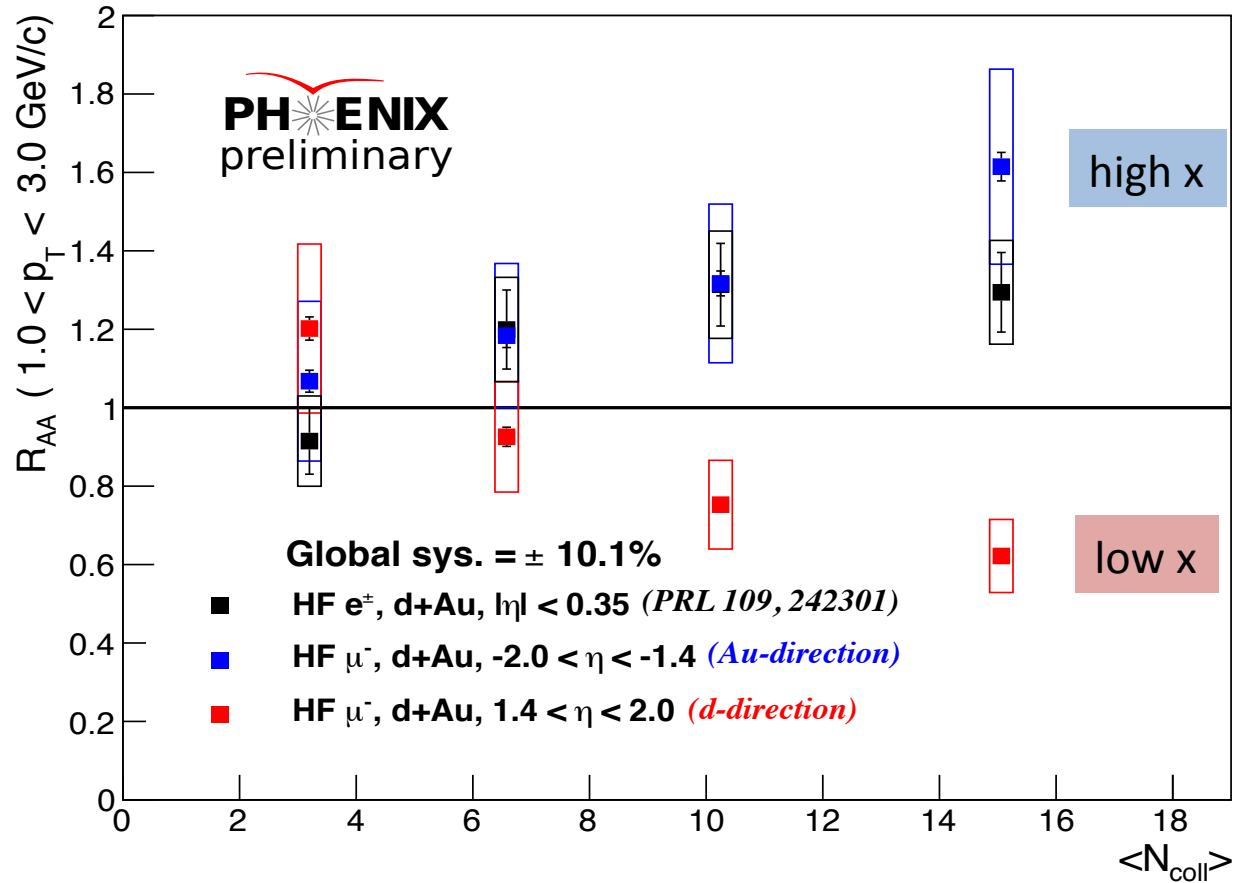


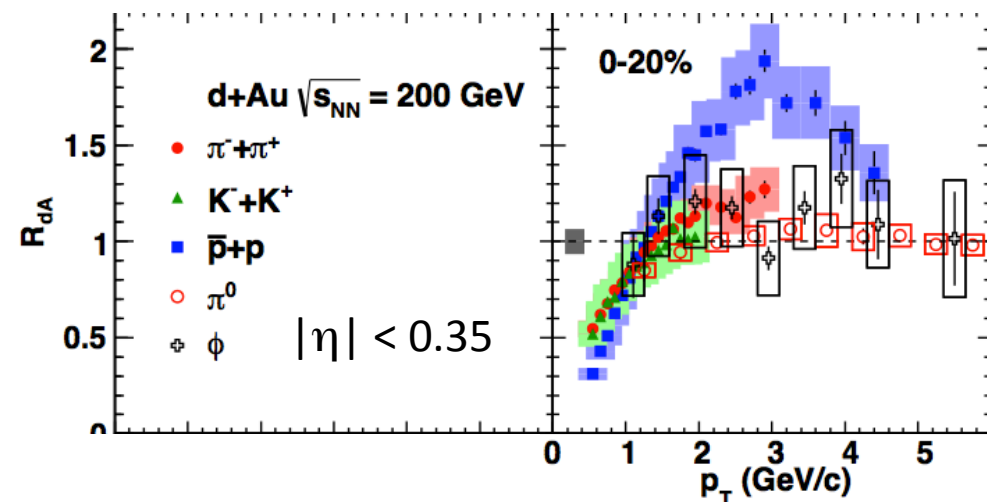
Figure from Phys.Lett. B608,69

Open heavy flavor

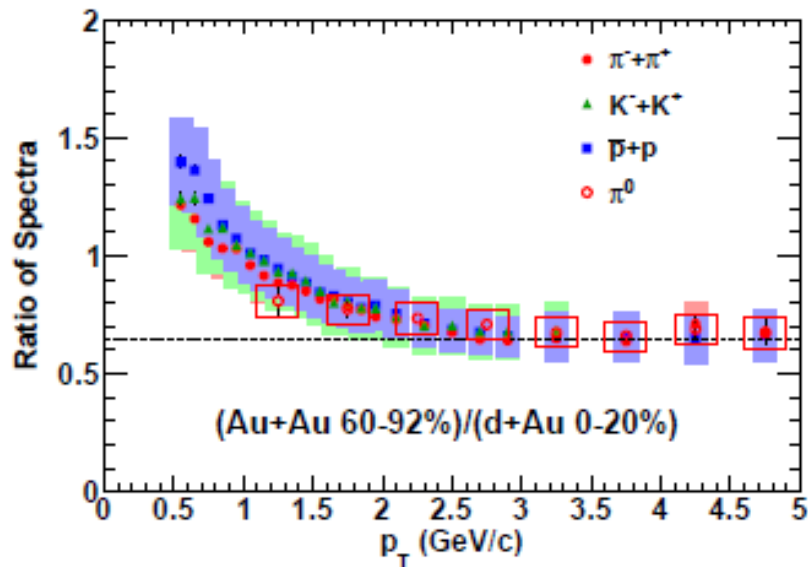


- Clear enhancement in Au-going direction sensitive to high-x in Au (anti-shadowing)
- Suppression in d-going direction sensitive to low-x (shadowing)
- Enhancement also at mid-rapidity

PID hadrons in dAu

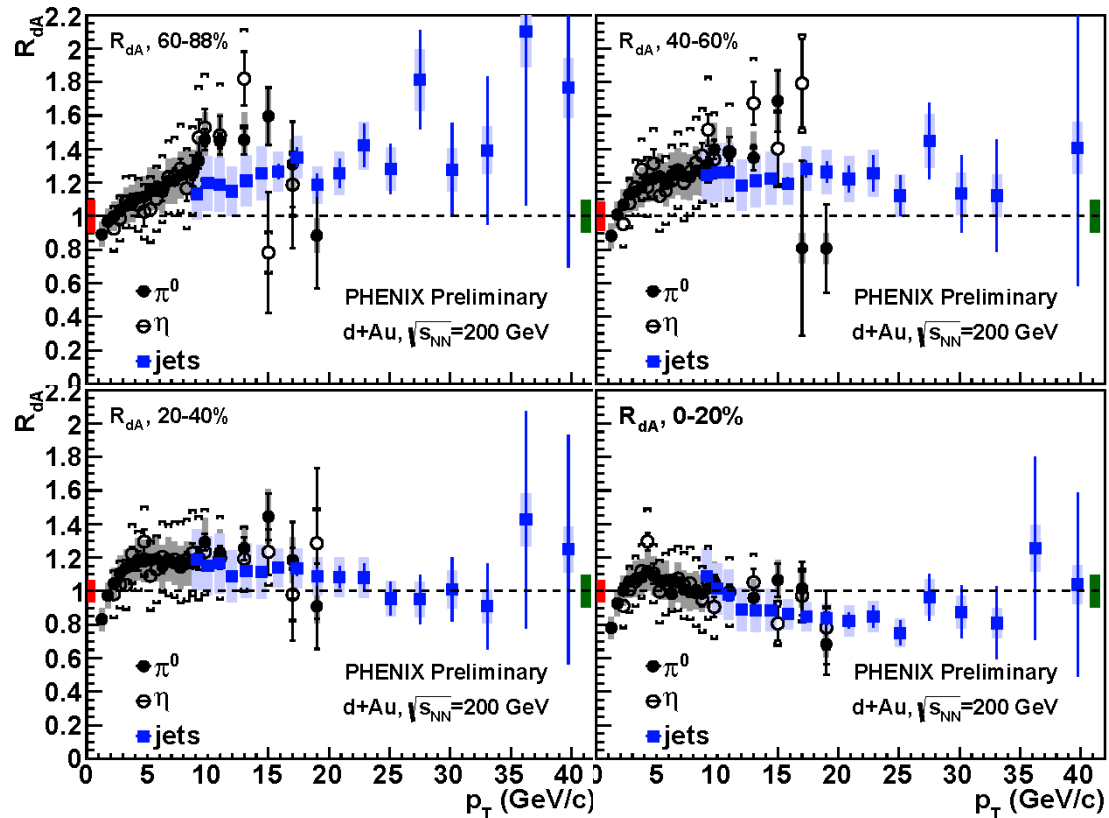


PHENIX arXiv:1304.3410



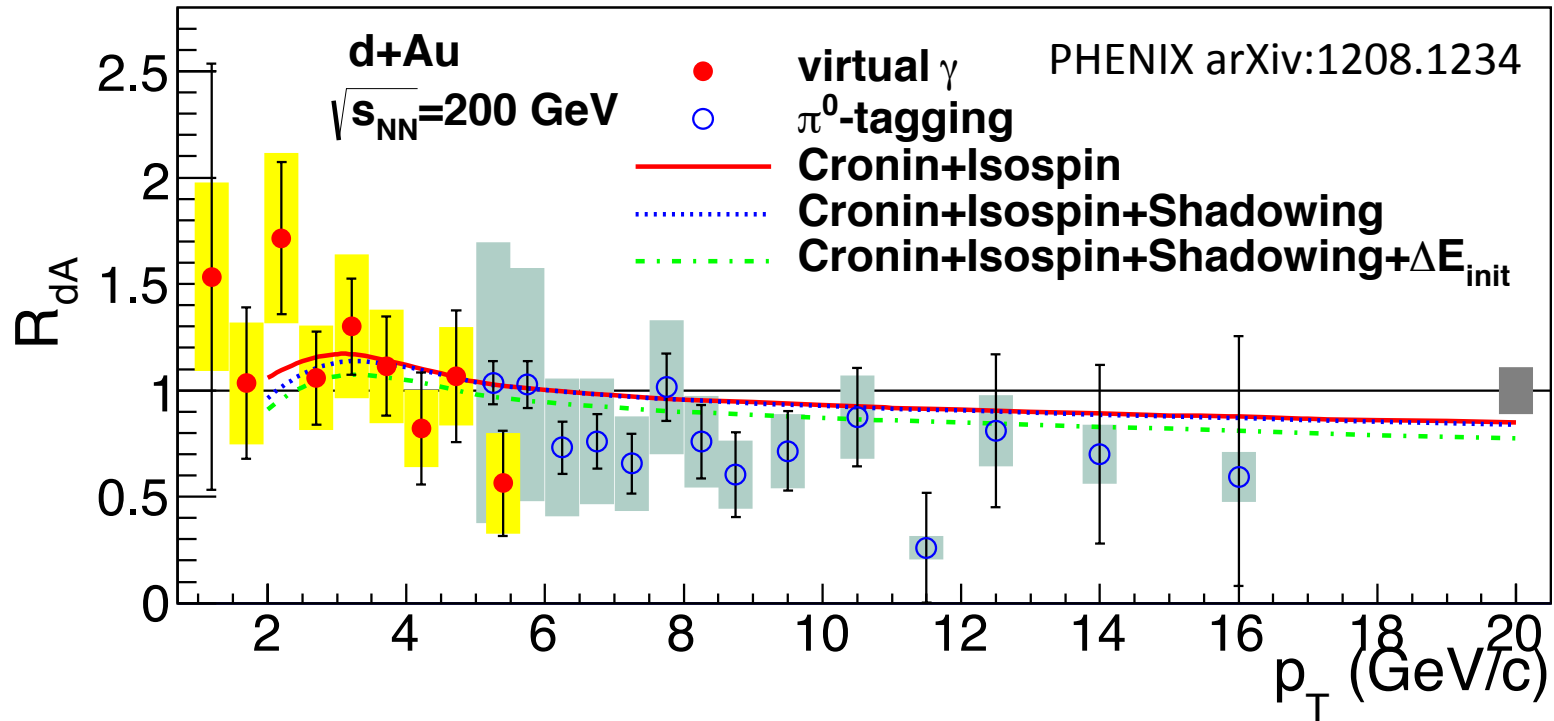
- Large R_{dA} for protons
 - Simple Cronin effect?
 - How does parton know it will produce a proton?
- No species dependence for AuAu/dAu ratio for same $N_{part, coll}$
 - Suggests common production mechanism in dAu and AuAu (coalescence?, flow?)
- Ratio < 1 at high p_T
 - Energy loss in peripheral AuAu?
- Ratio > 1 at low p_T
 - Participant asymmetry \rightarrow rapidity shift?
- Possible effect from different pdf in dAu vs. AuAu

High p_T π^0 and jets

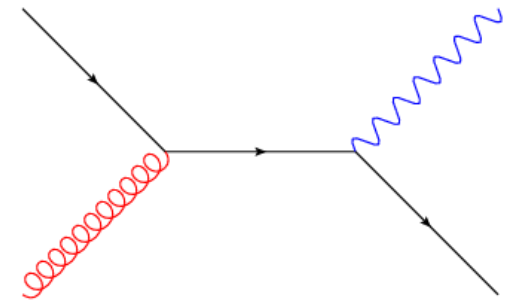


- Enhancement in peripheral, slight suppression in central
- Surprisingly strong centrality dependence
- Competing cold nuclear matter effects?
- Auto-correlations between high p_T processes & centrality measure?
- Cross check with p+Si (light ion): no centrality selection necessary (RHIC Run 2015)

Direct Photons



- No modification of direct photons in initial hard scattering and PDF compared to p+p at mid-rapidity

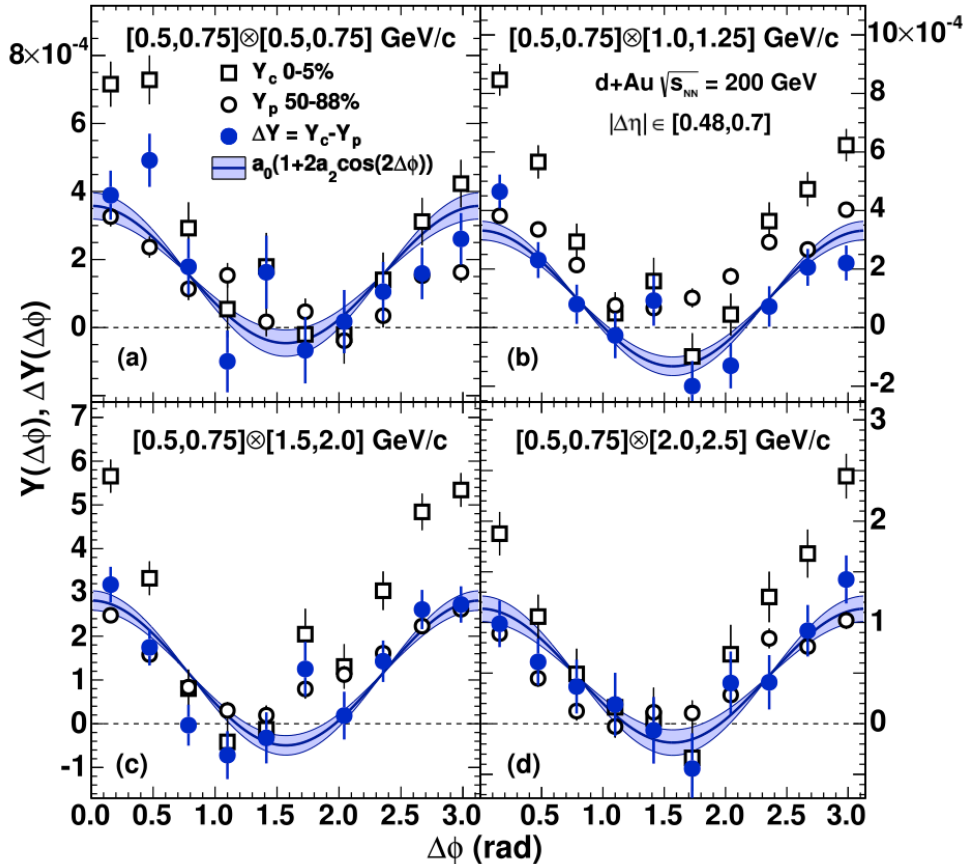


Two-Particle Correlations

- Sensitive to
 - Flow
 - Initial state correlations

Non-jet correlation in d+Au?

PHENIX arXiv:1303.1794

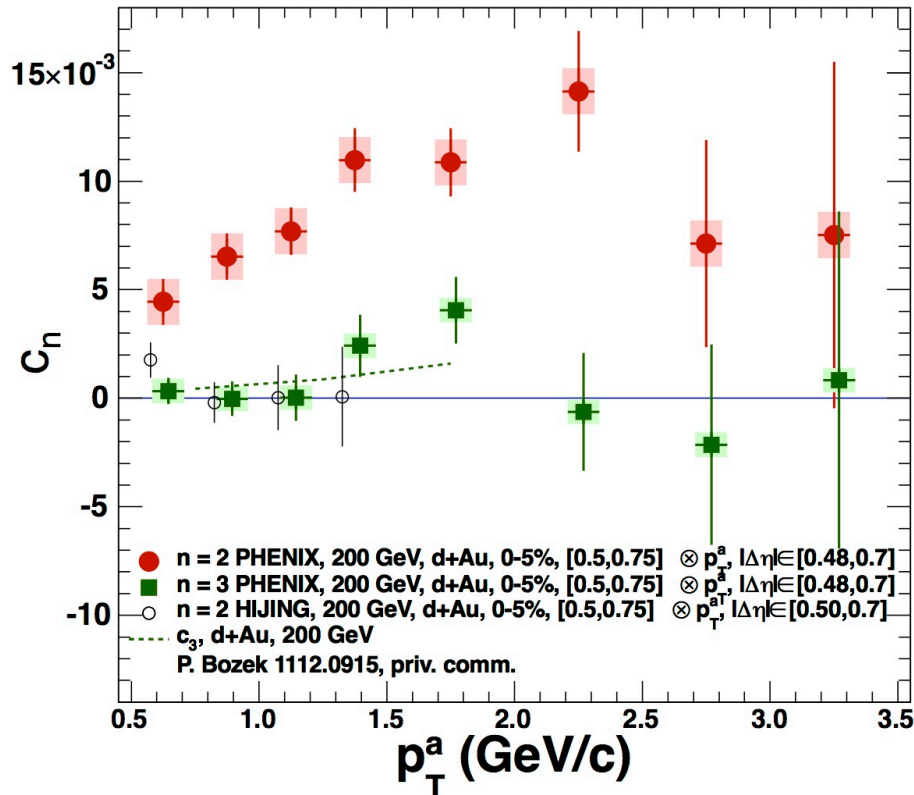


- mid-rapidity
- Per-trigger yield
- Eliminate jet correlations
 - Subtract peripheral from central
 - η gap ($\Delta\eta > 0.48$)
- Symmetric, cosine-like correlation remains

$$Y(\Delta\phi) \equiv \frac{1}{N^t} \frac{dN^{\text{pairs}}}{d\Delta\phi} - b_{ZYAM}$$

Jet-Subtracted Fourier Moments

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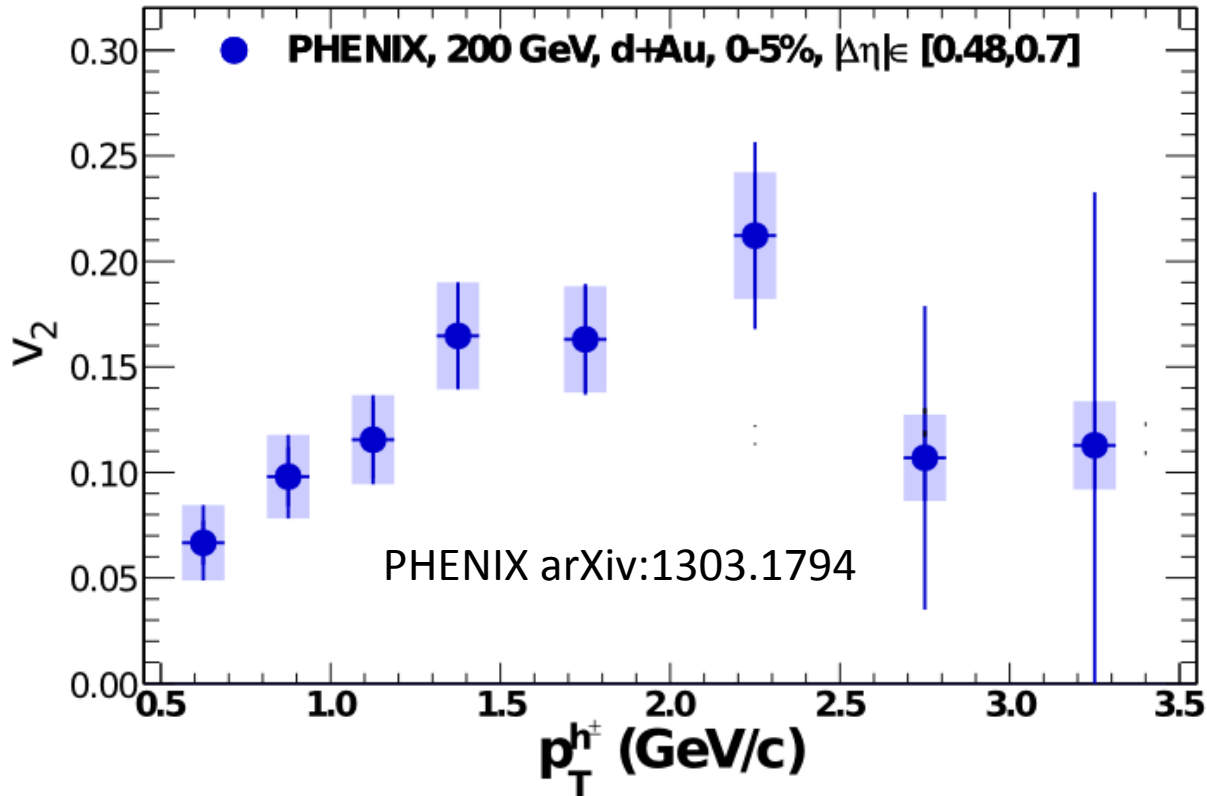
$$\Delta Y(\Delta\phi) \approx a_0 + 2a_2 \cos(2\Delta\phi)$$

$$c_n \equiv a_n / (b_{ZYAM}^c + a_0)$$

- Fourier moments, c_n , of jet-subtracted distributions vs. associated p_T
- Significant c_2
- No significant c_3
- c_2 from HIJING small
- c_3 consistent with hydro

Fourier Moment v_2

$$c_2(p_T^t, p_T^a) = v_2(p_T^t) \times v_2(p_T^a)$$

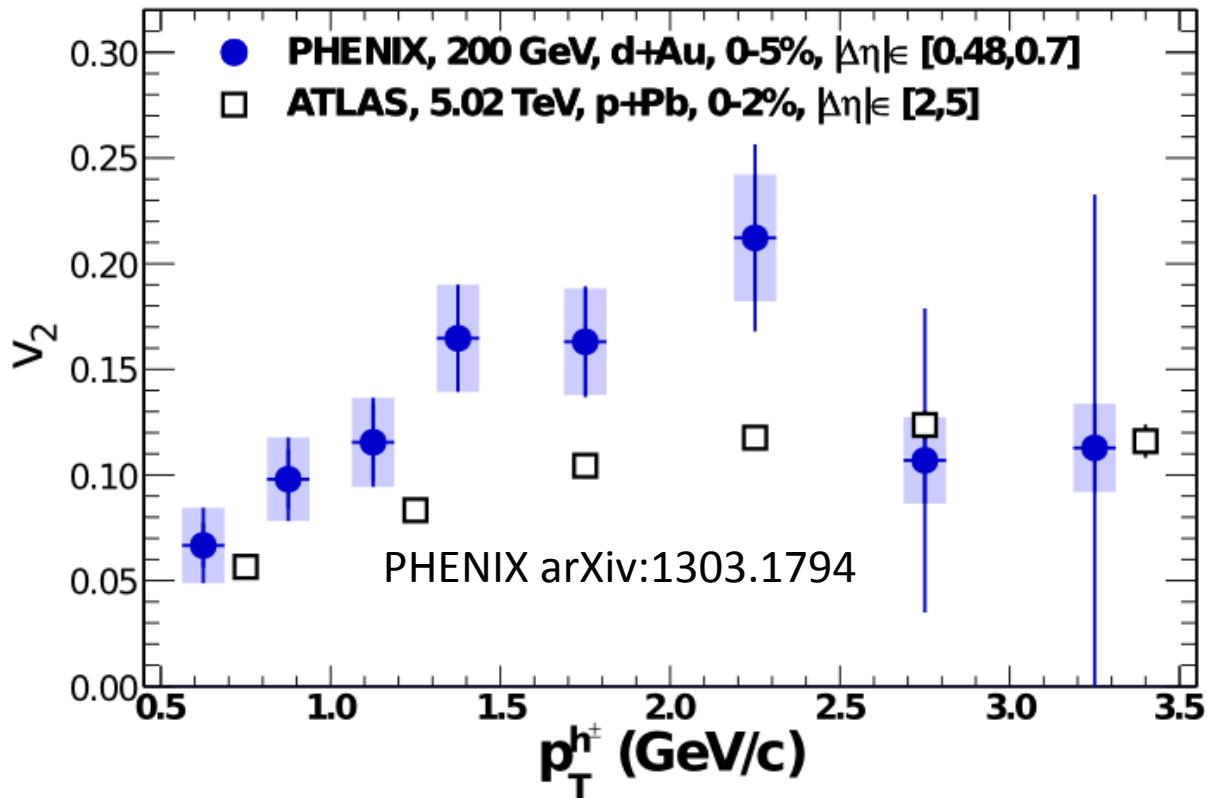


- Inferred quadrupolar anisotropy v_2 of h^+ vs. p_T

- significant v_2

Fourier Moment v_2

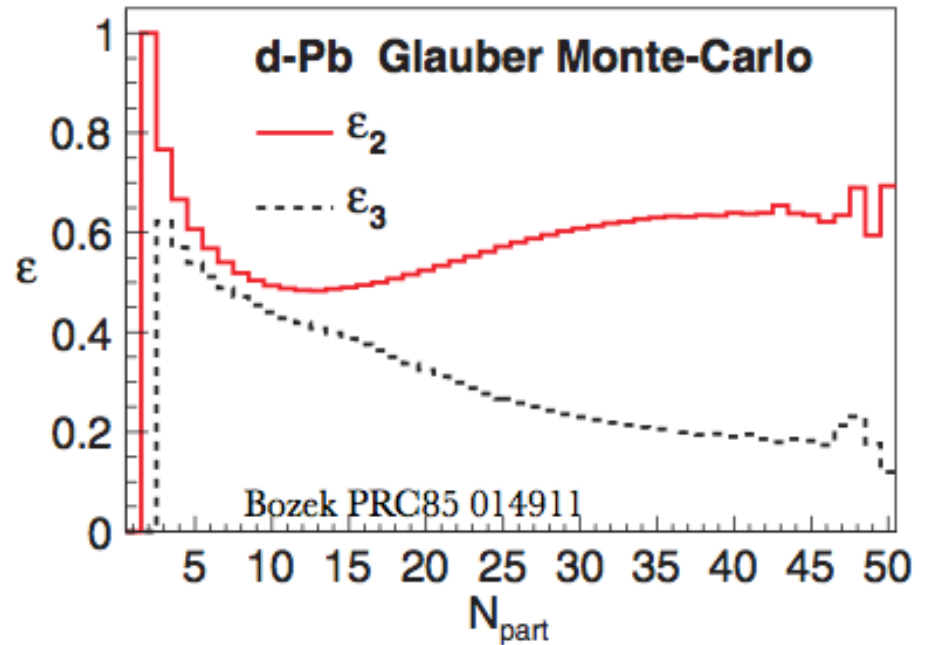
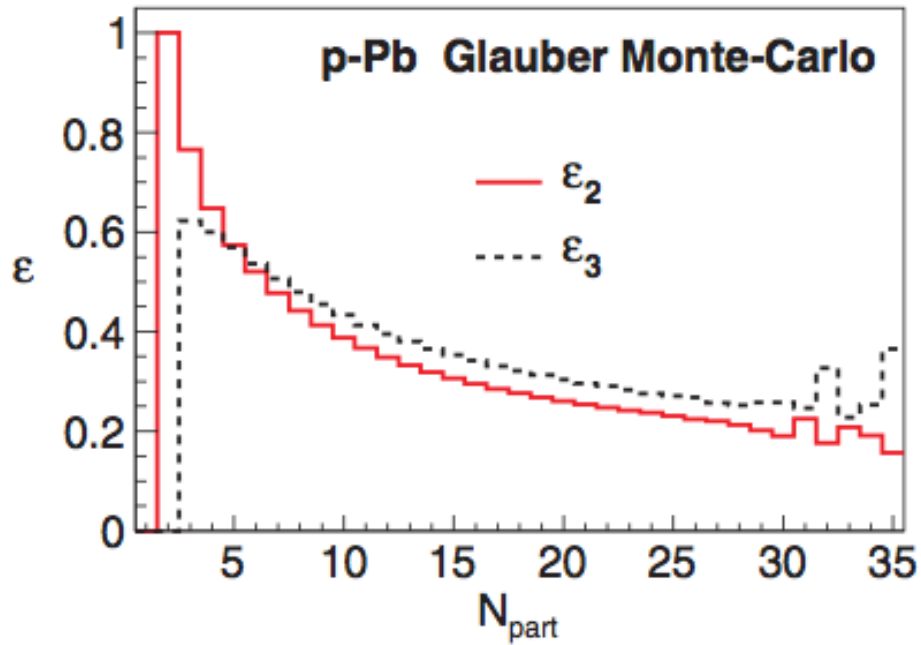
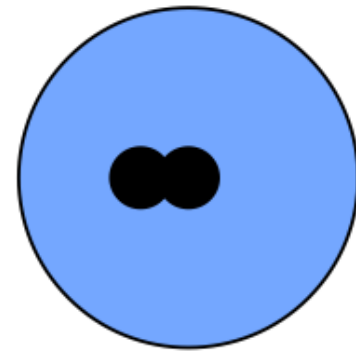
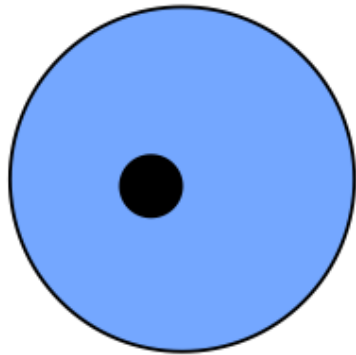
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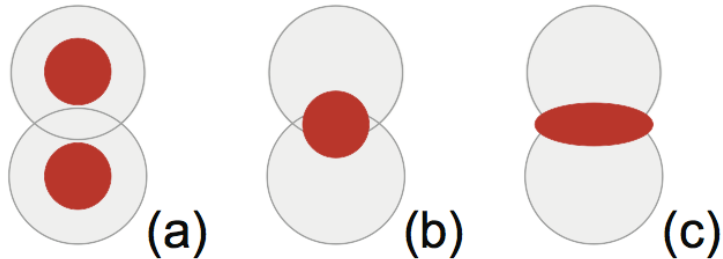
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- v_2 d+Au $>$ v_2 p+Pb

p+A vs. d+A



Initial State Fluctuations



Energy deposition

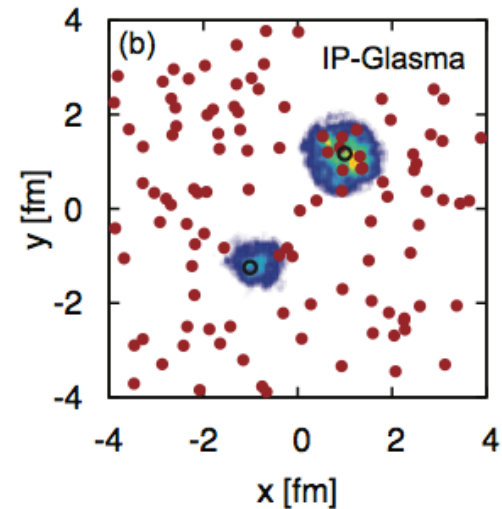
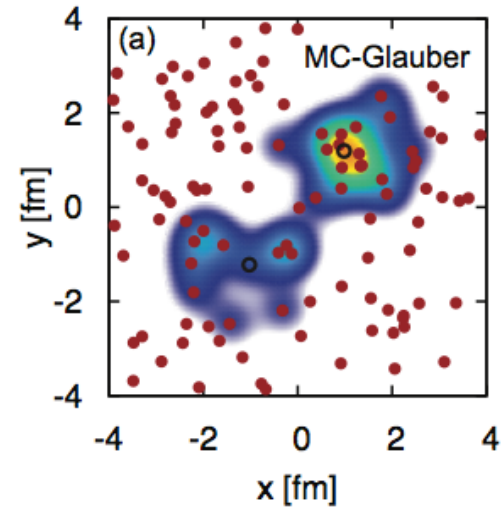
a) nucleus center, $\varepsilon_2 = 1$

b) overlap region, $\varepsilon_2 = 0$

c) follow shape of overlap, $0 \leq \varepsilon_2 \leq 1$

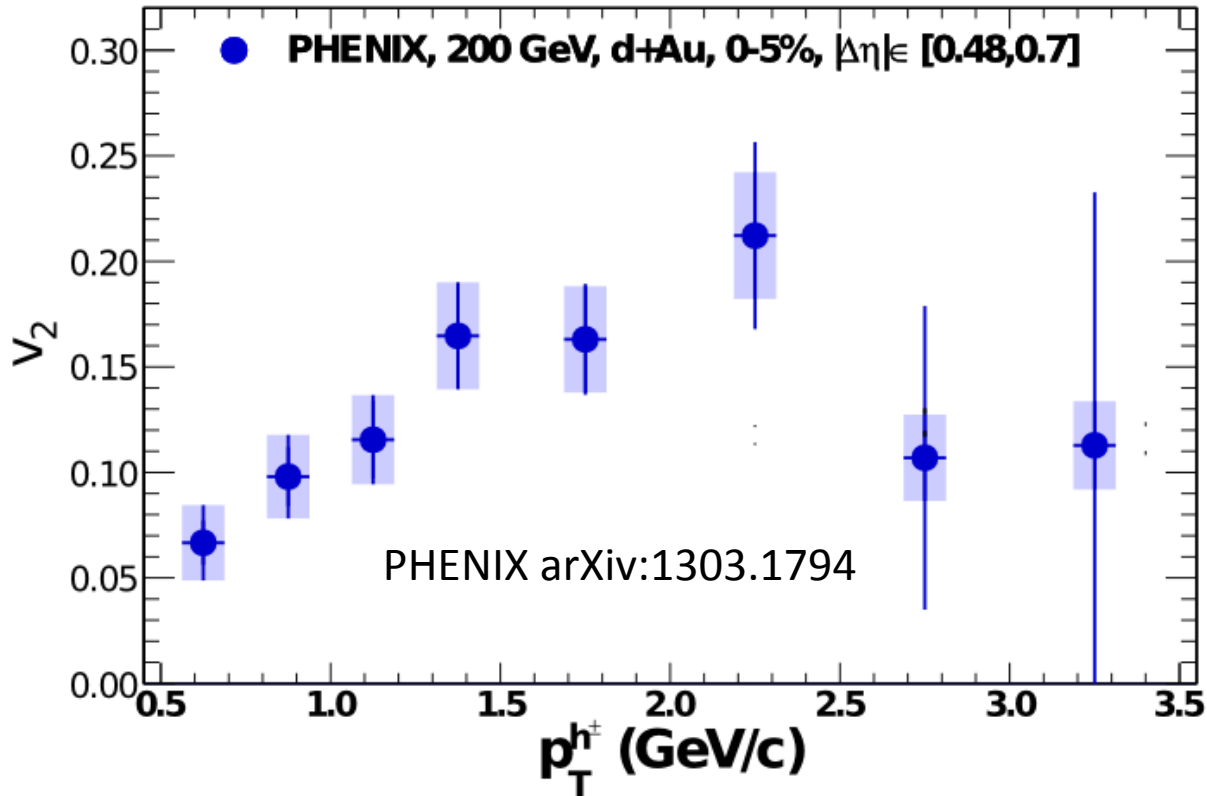
initial energy density distribution

Bzdak, Schenke, Tribedy, Venugopalan, 1304.3403



Fourier Moment v_2

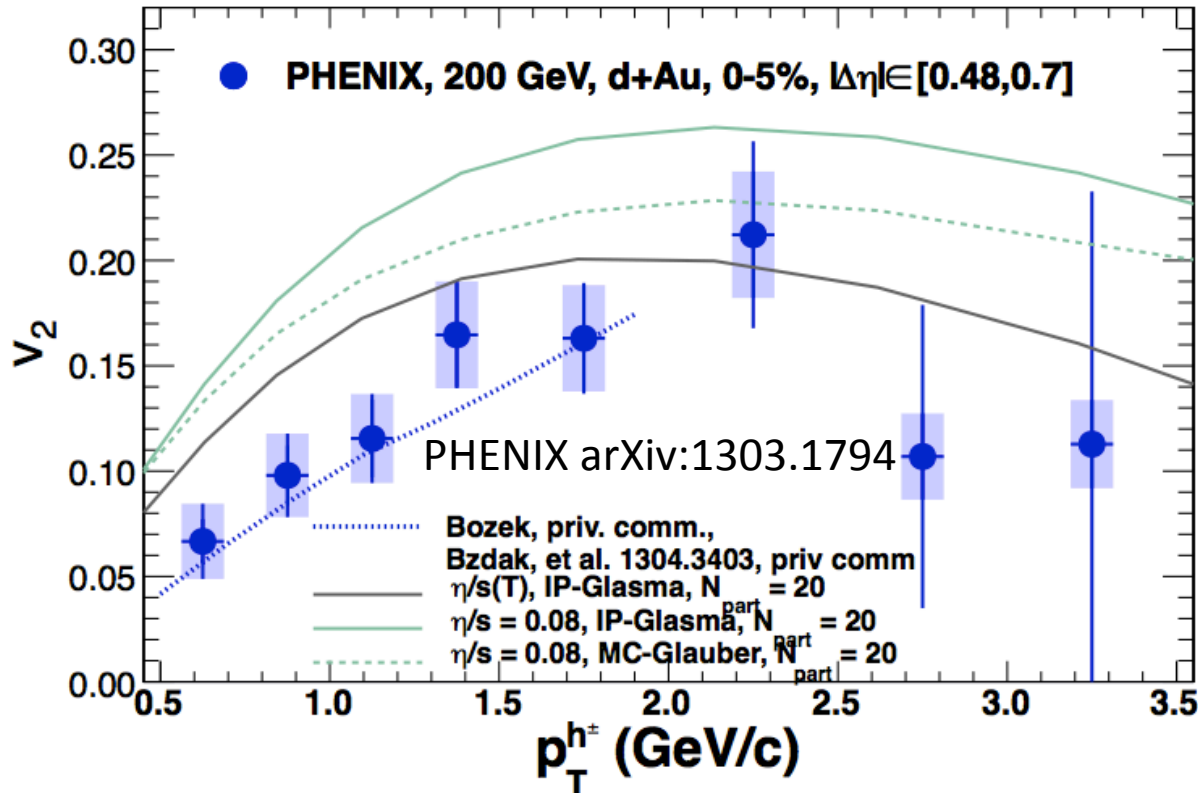
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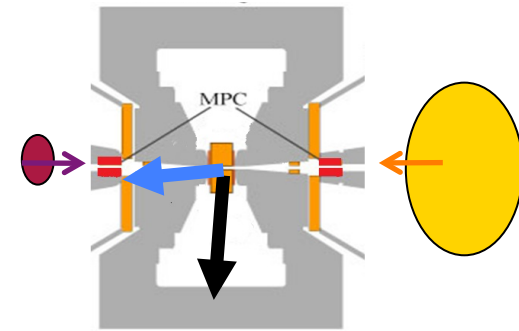
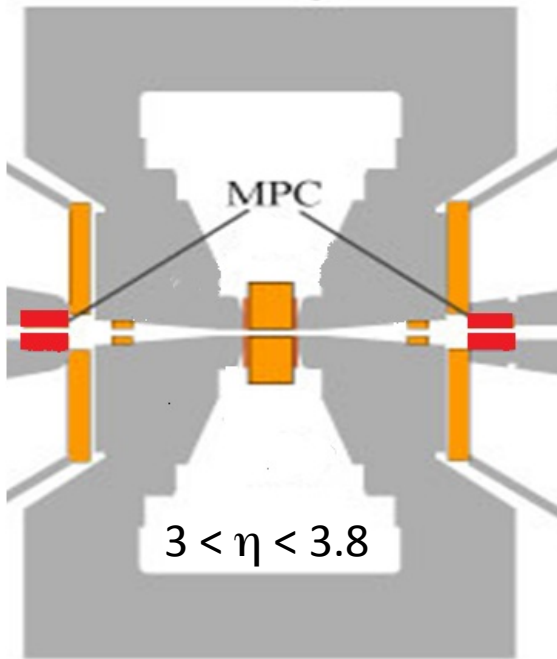
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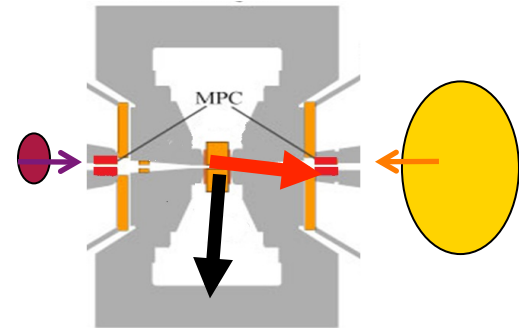
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- v_2 consistent with hydro

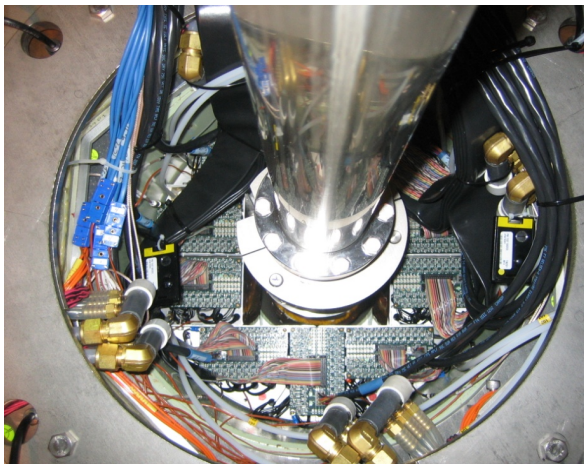
Extending to higher rapidities



CNT-MPC Au-going
 $\Delta\eta = 3.5$
high x in Au

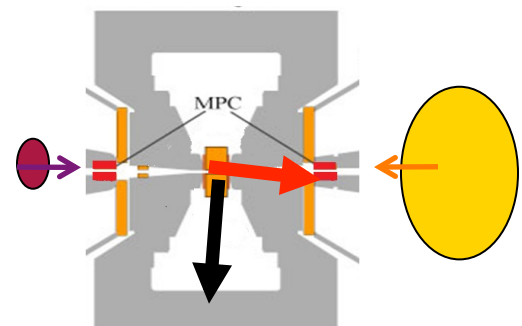
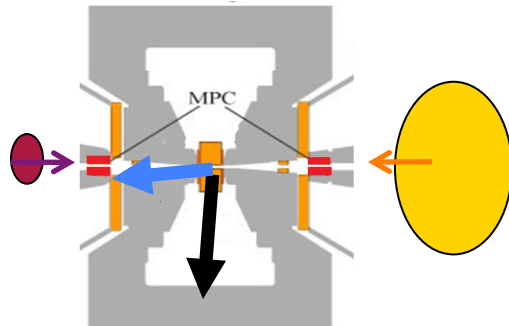
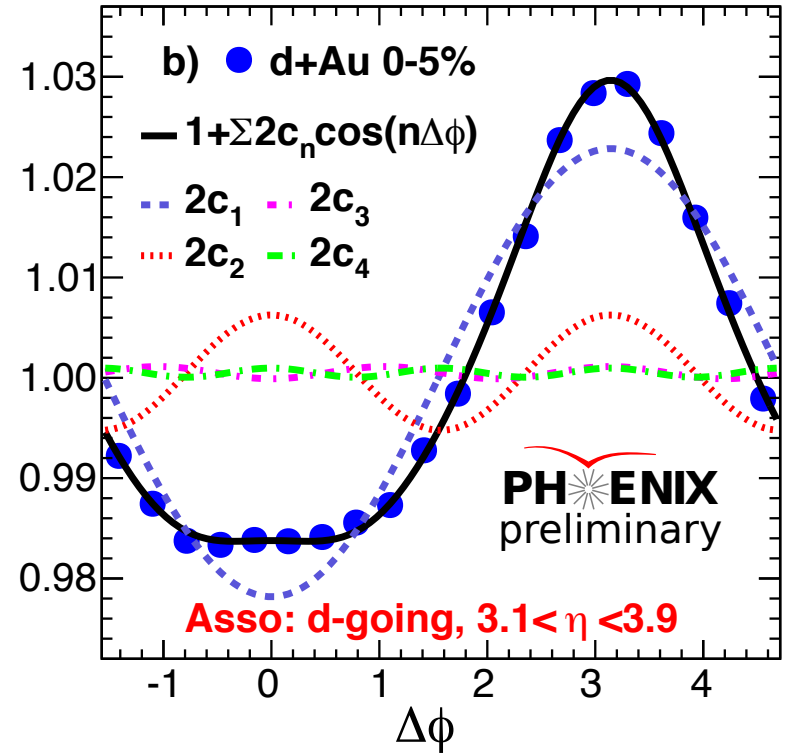
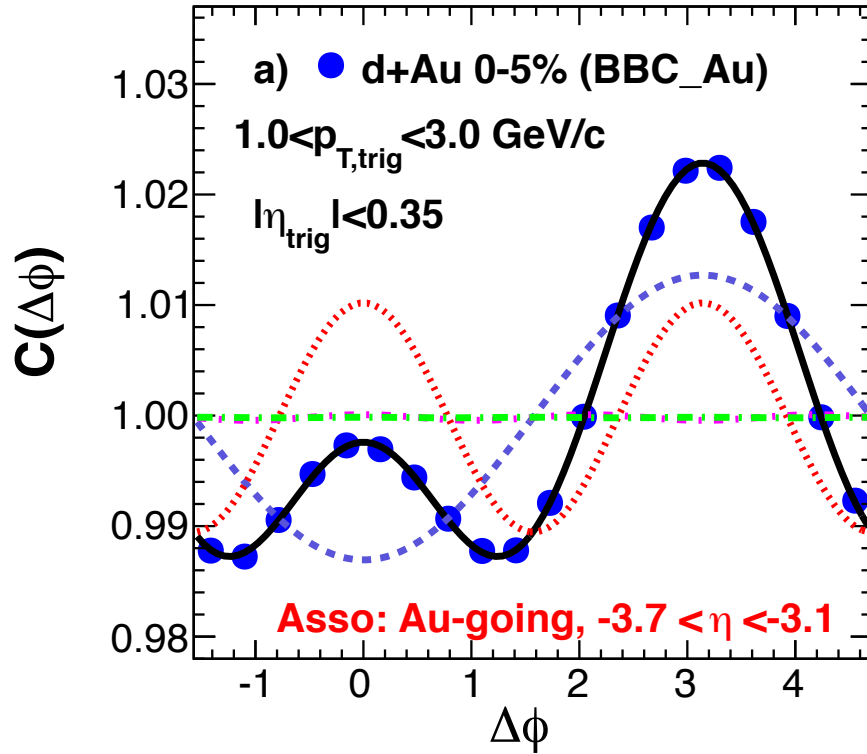


CNT-MPC d-going
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low x in Au

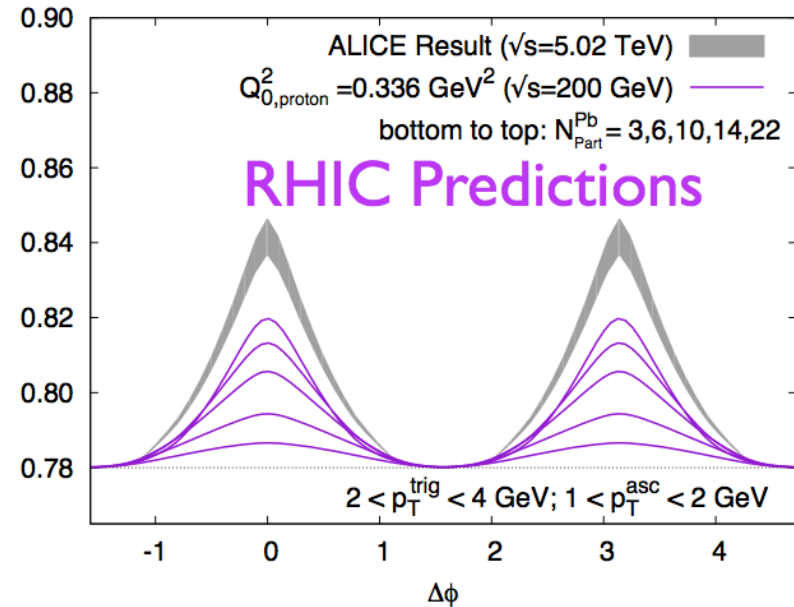
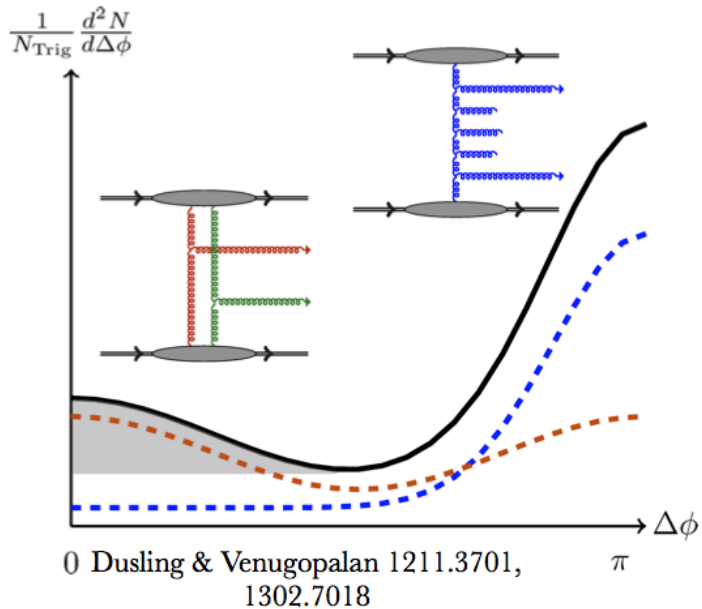


NEW!

First evidence of long range ridge correlations in d+Au collisions at RHIC!



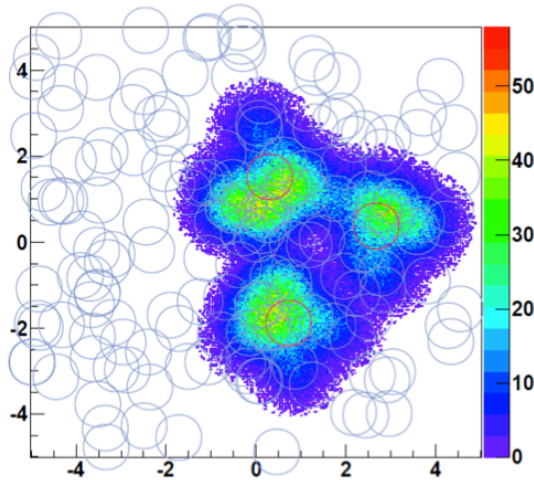
Correlations from Glasma Graphs



Dusling, Venugopalan, 1211.3701, 1302.7018,
private communication

- Significant signal expected at RHIC
- No quantitative comparison at this point since data not corrected for absolute acceptance

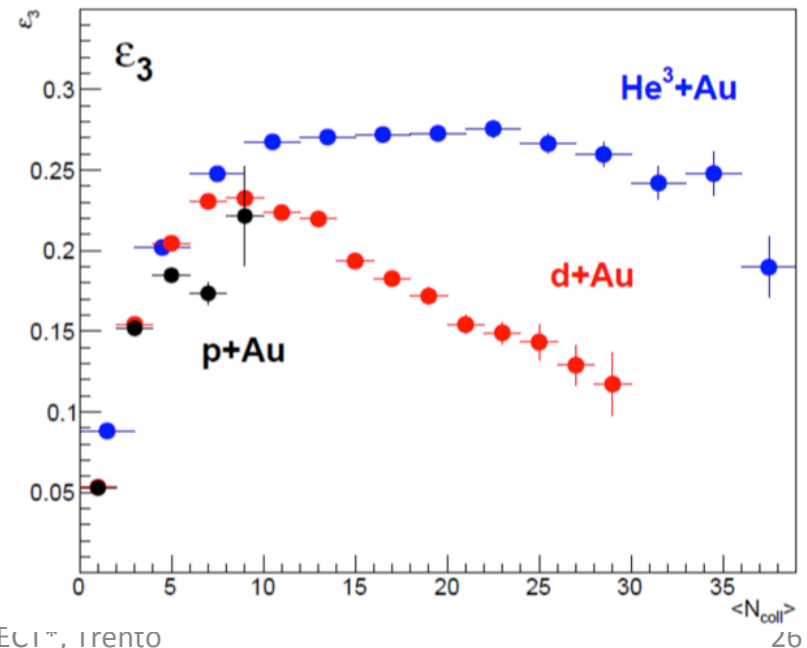
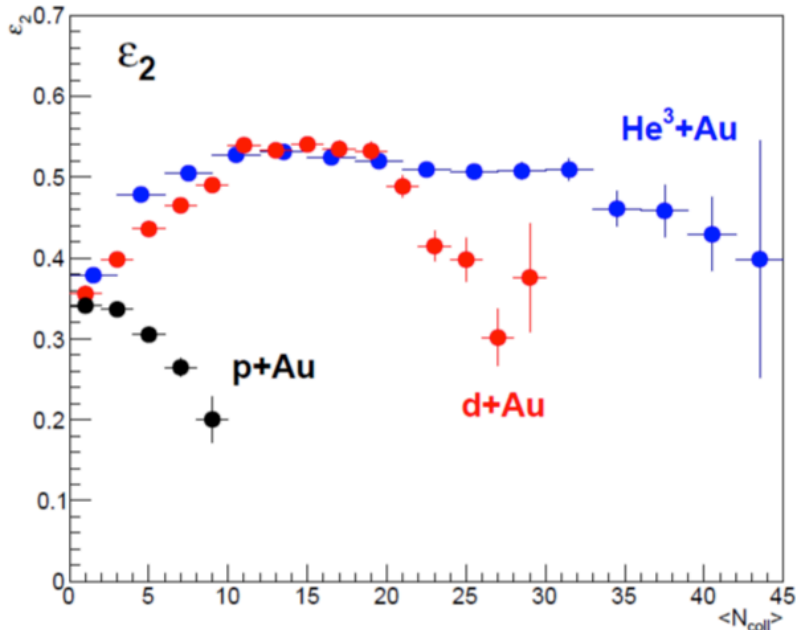
Hydro or Glasma Origin?



Glauber MC, Gaussian E distribution, $\sigma = 0.4$ fm

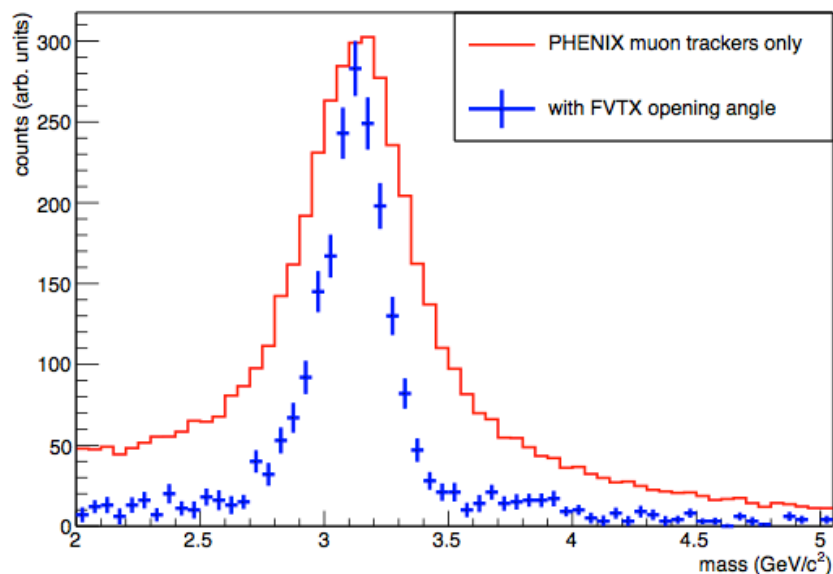
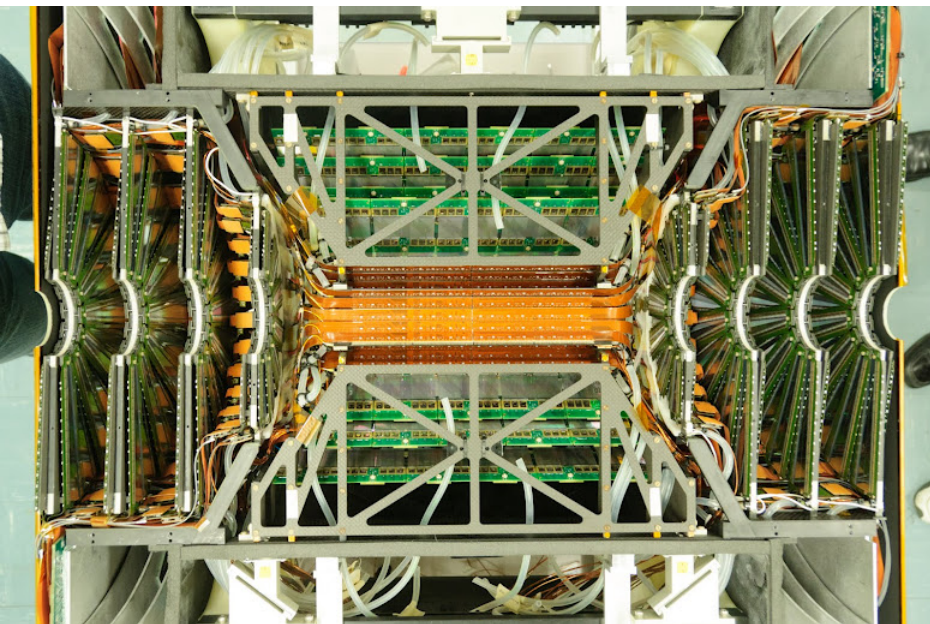
Exploit versatility of RHIC!

PHENIX requesting $^3\text{He}+\text{Au}$, $\text{d}+\text{Au}$, $\text{p}+\text{Au}$ in 2015 with increased acceptance (VTX+FVTX+MPC-EX)



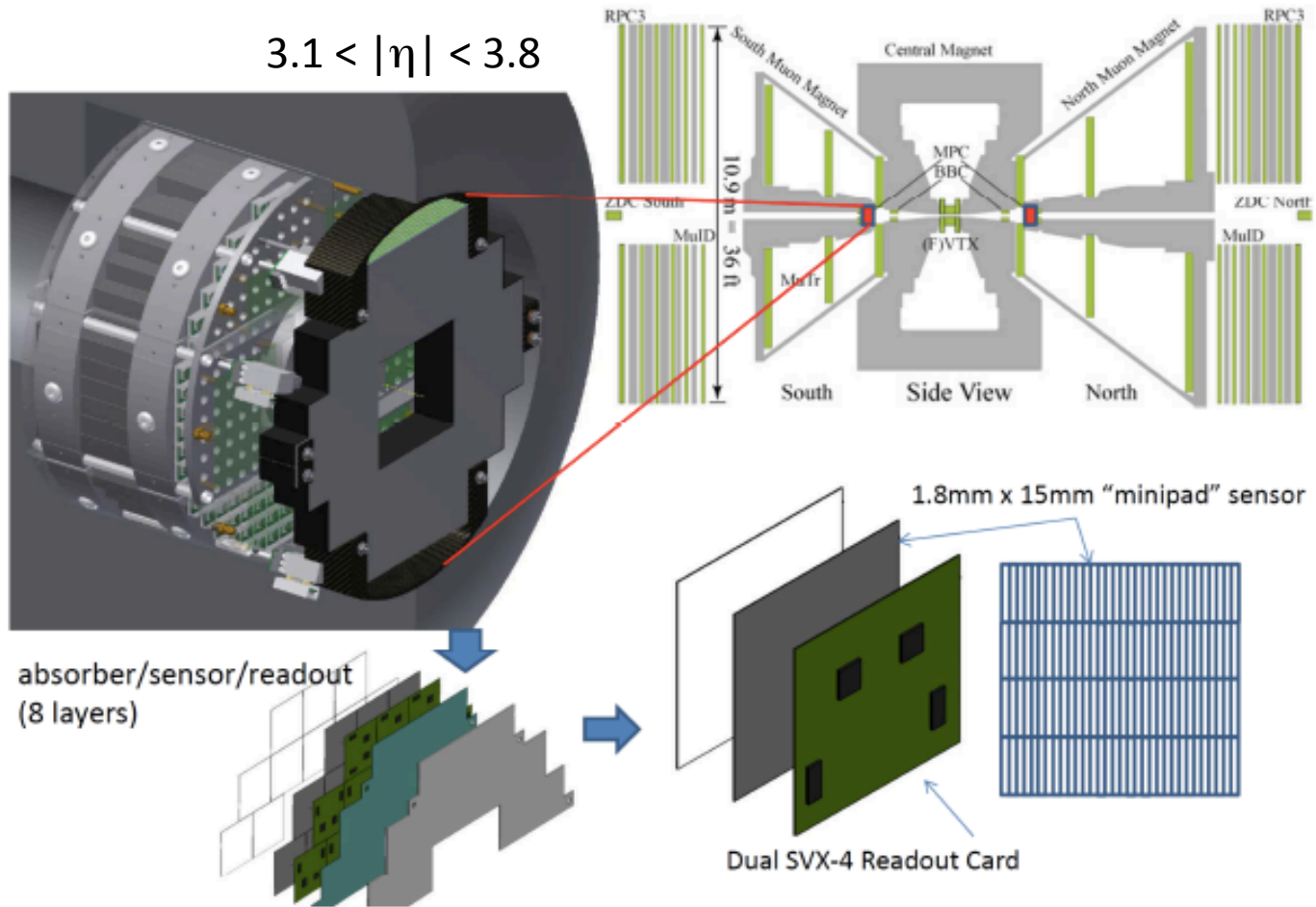
Upgrades

VTX+FVTX



- Improves mass resolution / suppresses background
- ψ' at forward/backward rapidity

MPC-EX Upgrade

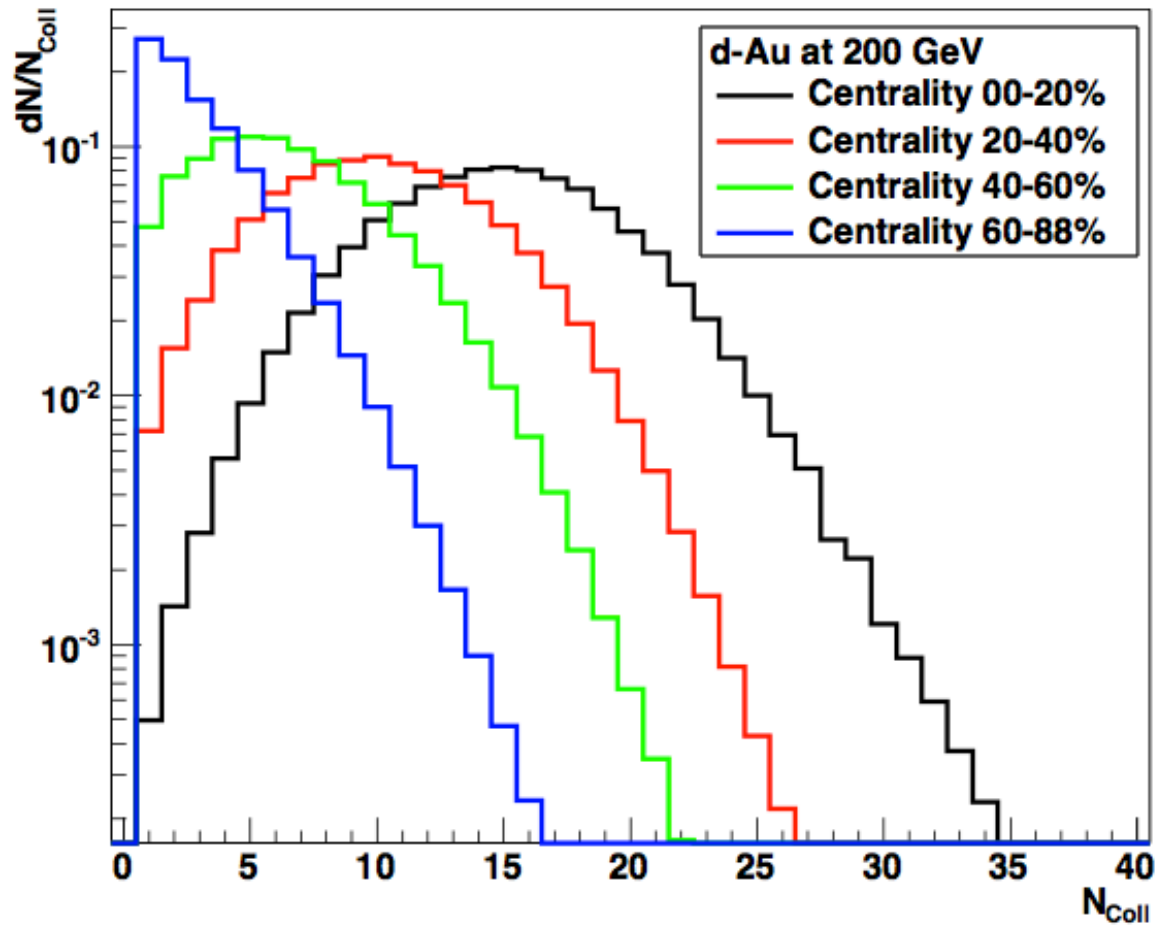


- Direct photons at low and high x in Run 2015

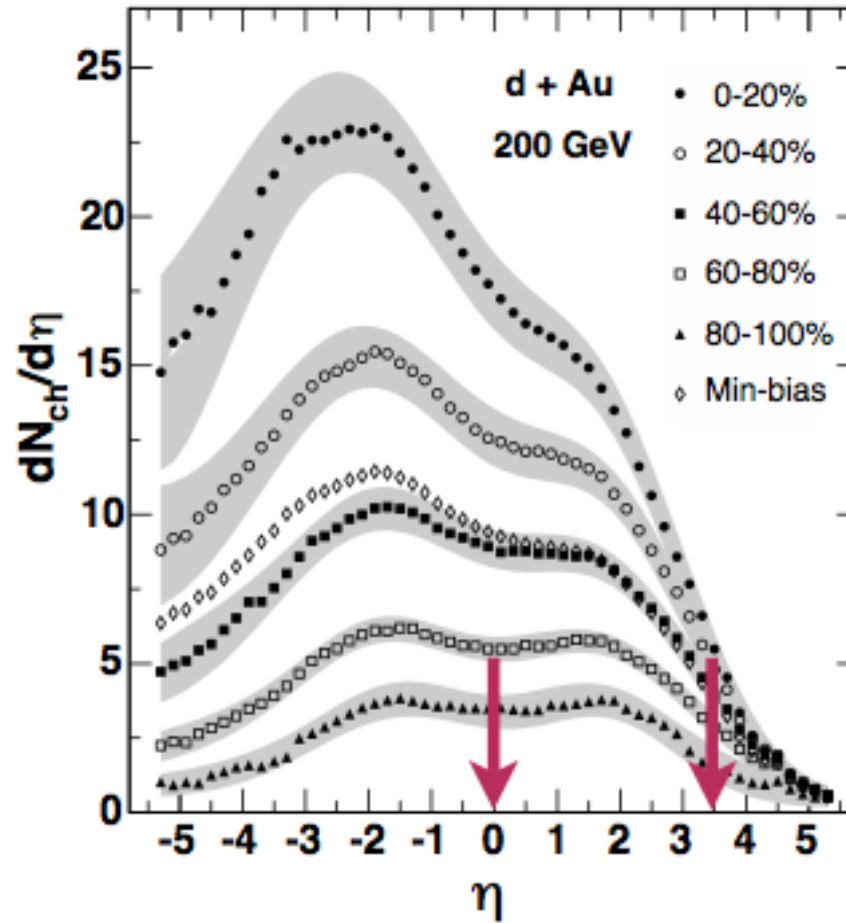
Conclusions and Outlook

- Quarkonia
 - evidence for (expected) shadowing & anti-shadowing
 - p_T dependence challenges models
 - ψ' break-up not simply size effect
 - FVTX upgrade for forward/backward y
- Heavy Flavor
 - parton multiple scattering (Cronin effect)
- PID hadrons
 - Large Cronin effect for protons
 - Species-independence of AA/pA ratio suggests common production mechanism
- π^0 /jet trend with centrality remains mysterious
 - p + light ion in Run 2015
- No strong evidence for direct photon modification at mid- y
 - MPC-EX upgrade in Run 2015
- Two-particle correlations
 - Significant non-jet correlations
 - Correlations persist with very large η gap
 - Consistent with flow (question of applicability)
 - Correlations also expected from glasma graphs

d+Au N_{coll} distribution

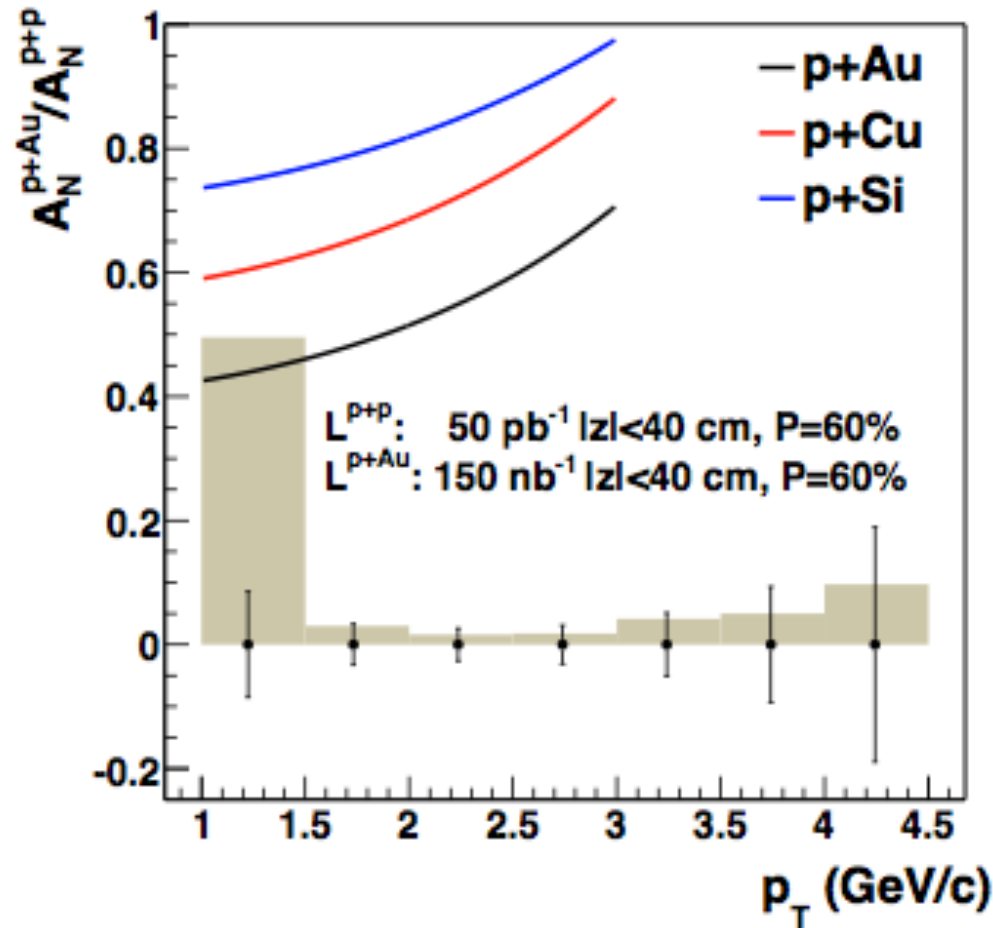


d+Au $dN_{ch}/d\eta$



PHOBOS PRC 72, 031901

Polarized $p+A$: A_N^{p+Au}/A_N^{p+p}



Kang, Yuan, Phys.Rev., D84:034019, 2011

Outline

- J/ ψ pT broadening:
 - larger at mid-rapidity
- γ' suppression:
 - larger than for J/ ψ
 - time in nucleus short
- open HF RdA
 - Enhanced at mid-rapidity and backward
 - Suppressed at forward rapidity
- PID hadrons
 - Large Cronin for p
 - Species-independent ratio of $dAu/AuAu_{\text{peri}}$
- P0, jets:
 - enhancement in peri
- Direct g
 - No modification
- 2-p correlations at mid-rapidity
 - Double ridge
 - Large v_2
- 2-p correlations large h gap
 - Double ridge