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J/ψ production in Au+Au collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 54.4 \text{ GeV}$

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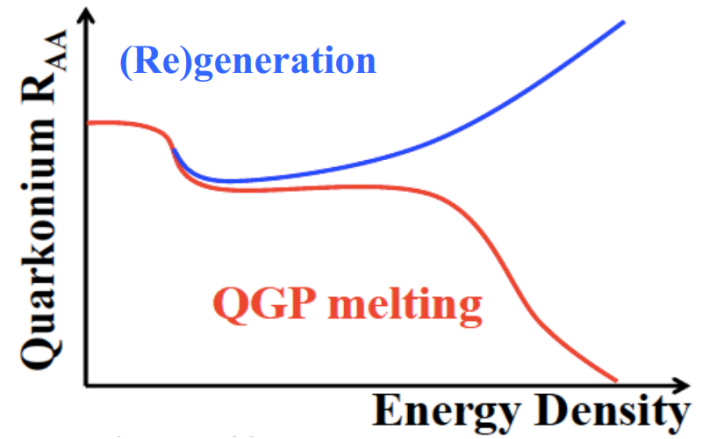
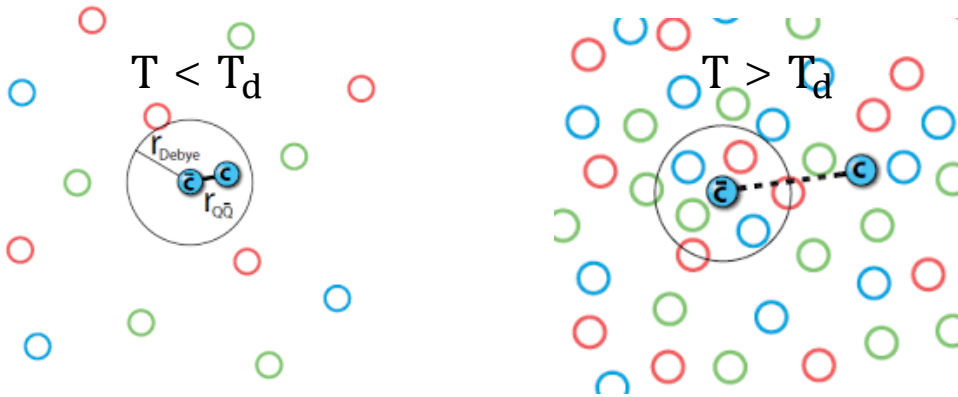
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- Motivation
- J/ψ suppression in Au+Au collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 54.4$ GeV
 - J/ψ signal reconstruction
 - J/ψ cross section in p+p collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 54.4$ GeV
 - Nuclear modification factor
- Summary

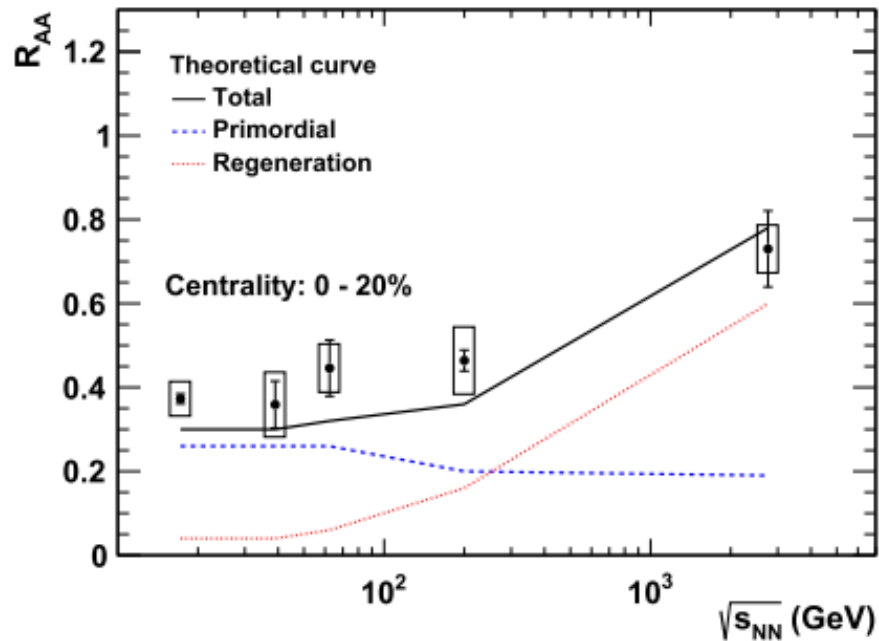
Heavy quarkonia are ideal probes of the Quark-Gluon Plasma (QGP)

- **Dissociation in QGP (static and dynamic screening)**



Other effects:

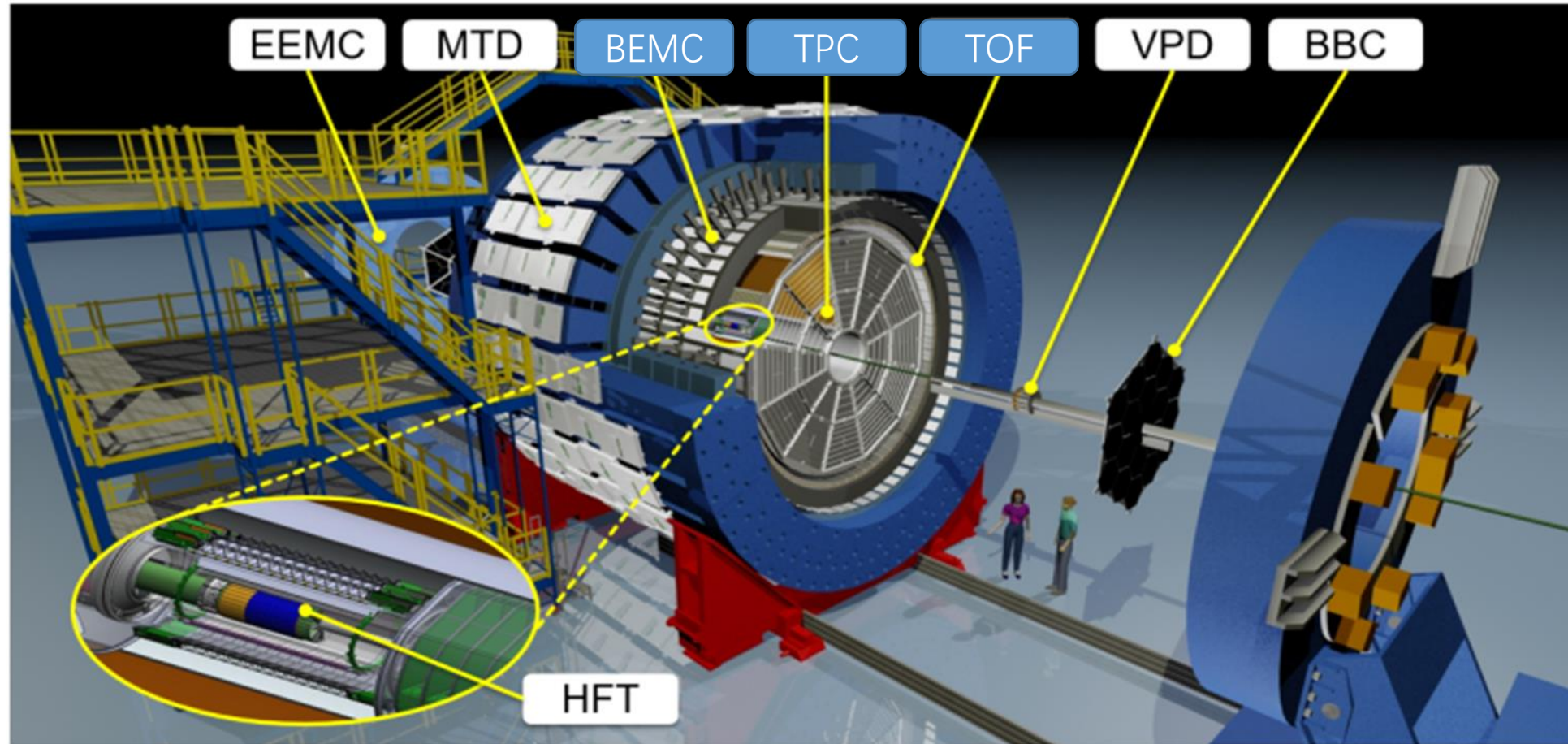
- **Regeneration**
- Cold nuclear matter effects (e.g. nPDF, coherent energy loss, nuclear absorption)
- Other final state effects (e.g. comovers)



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- The J/ ψ production has been measured in Au+Au collisions at 39, 62.4 and 200 GeV and in Pb+Pb collisions at 17.2 GeV, 2.76 and 5.02 TeV
- No significant energy dependence of nuclear modification factor within uncertainties at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} \leq 200$ GeV
 - Interplay of dissociation in the QGP, cold nuclear matter effects and regeneration
- ~10x more statistics in 54.4 GeV compared to 62.4 GeV, and this will help better understand the energy dependence of J/ ψ suppression

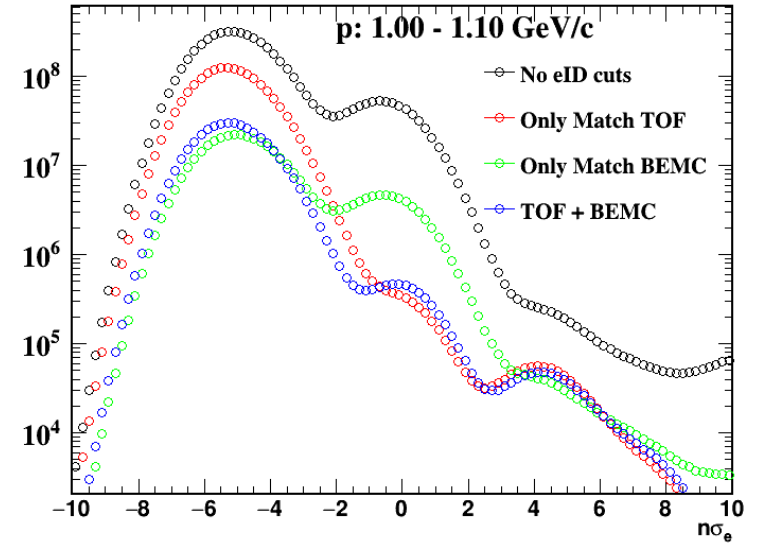
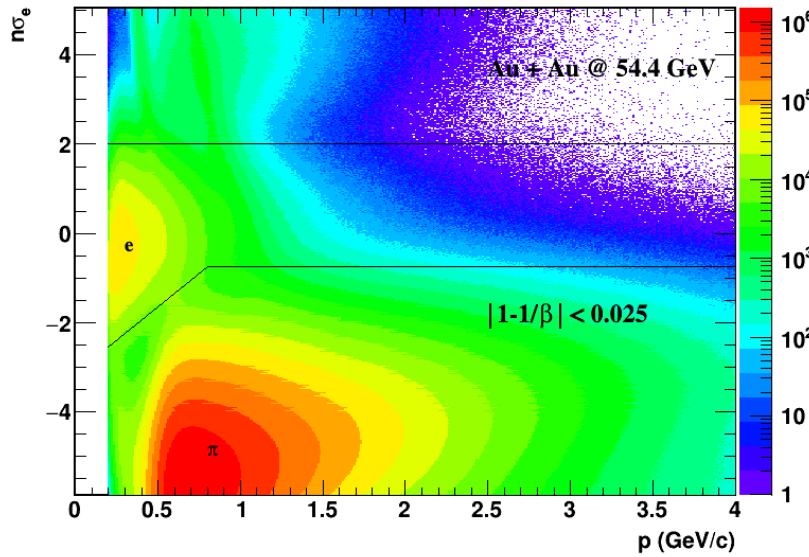
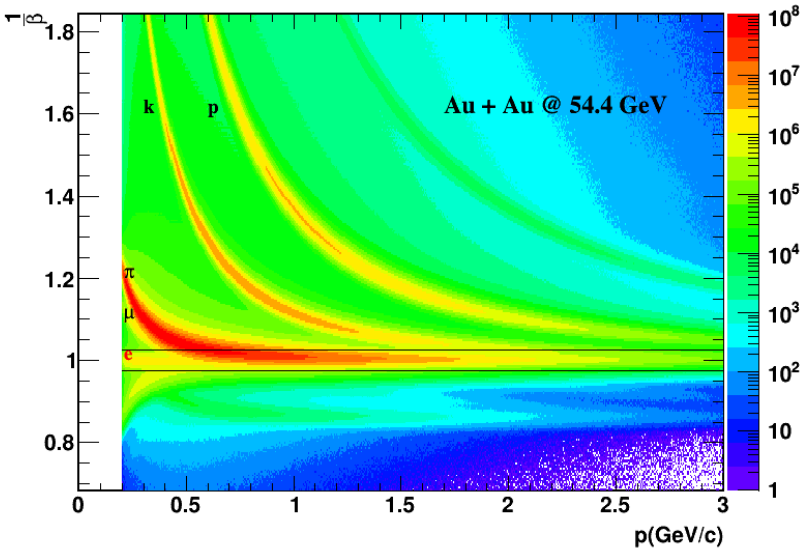
The Solenoidal Tracker At RHIC



- ✓ **TPC:** Tracking, momentum and energy loss
- ✓ **TOF:** Time of flight, particle identification

- ✓ **BEMC:** Identification of high- p_T electrons
- Minimum-bias trigger: VPD and ZDC

Electron identification



- $|\vec{P}| \leq 0.8$
- $3 \times |\vec{P}| - 3.15 < n\sigma_e < 2$
 - $\left| \frac{1}{\beta} - 1.0 \right| < 0.025$

$p_T \leq 1 \text{ GeV}/c$

- $|\vec{P}| > 0.8$
- $-0.75 < n\sigma_e < 2$
 - $\left| \frac{1}{\beta} - 1.0 \right| < 0.025$

- $-1.5 < n\sigma_e < 2$
- $\left| \frac{1}{\beta} - 1.0 \right| < 0.025$
- $0.5 < E_0/p < 1.5$

TOF&BEMC

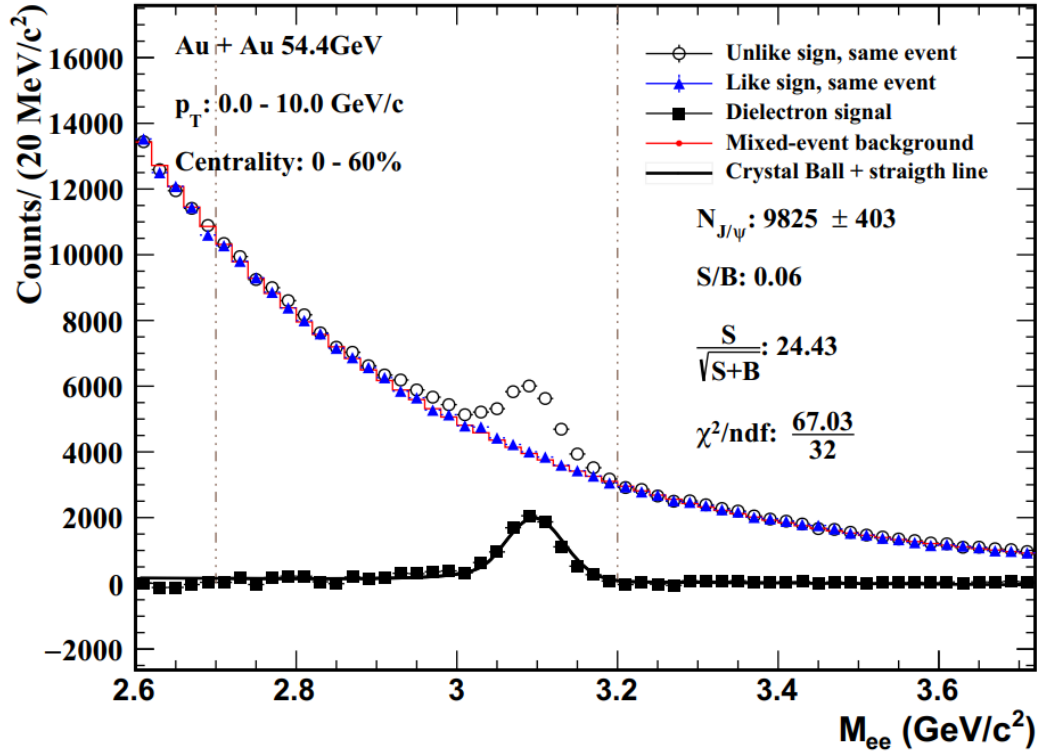
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Only match TOF

Only match BEMC

- $-0.75 < n\sigma_e < 2$
- $\left| \frac{1}{\beta} - 1.0 \right| < 0.025$
- $-1 < n\sigma_e < 2$
- $0.5 < E_0/p < 1.5$

J/ψ raw signal in 54.4 GeV Au+Au collisions



- J/ψ raw signal is reconstructed through dielectron channel
- J/ψ signal shape from embedding with additional momentum smearing
- The combinatorial background from mixed-event technique is subtracted
- Residual background described by a straight line
- Raw counts extracted by bin counting in $2.7 < M_{ee} < 3.2 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
- Barrel Shower Max Detector, which can further improve electron purity, was not included in 54.4 and 200 GeV data taking

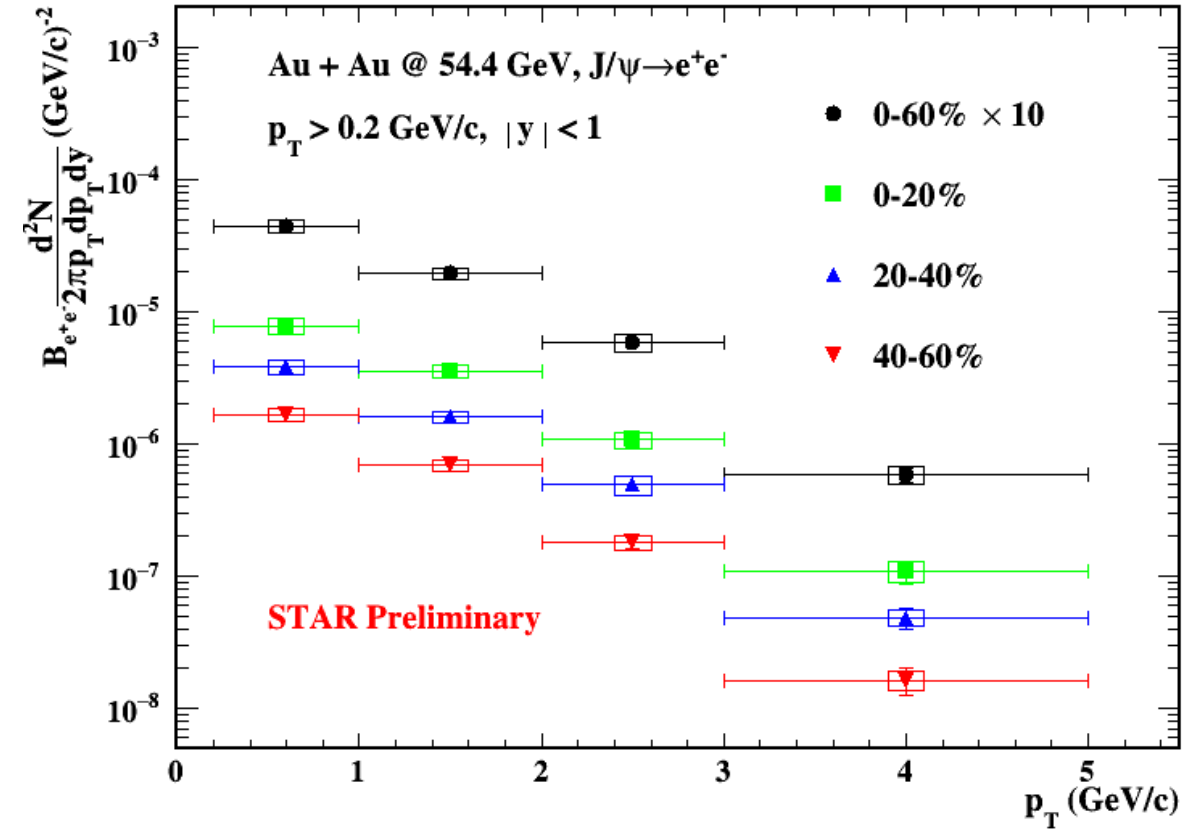
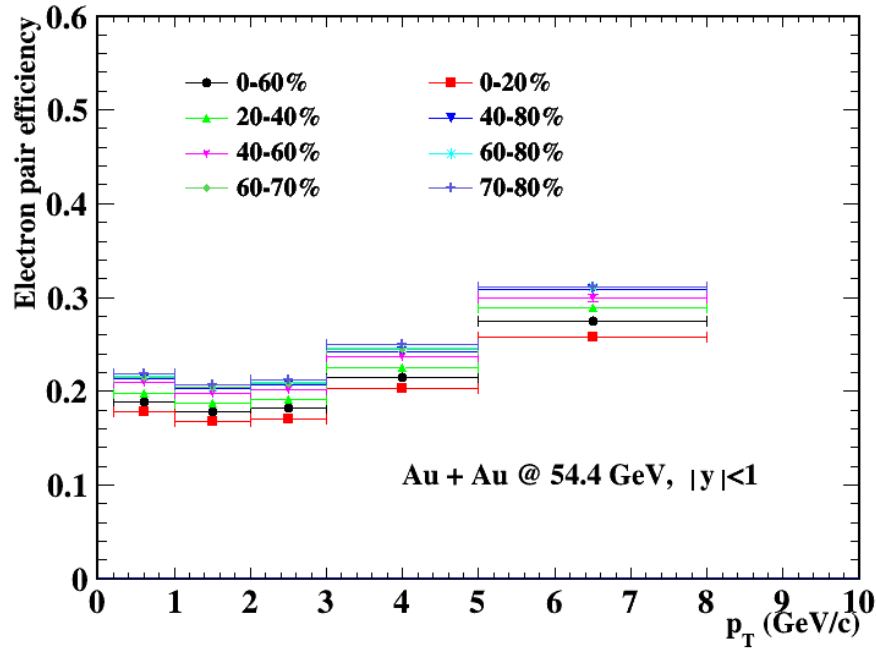
$\sqrt{s_{NN}}$	39 GeV	54.4 GeV	62.4 GeV	200 GeV
S/B	0.34	0.06	0.19	0.03
Significance	10	24	9	22

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Efficiency and invariant yield



- The pair efficiency is evaluated by folding the single track efficiency
- Acceptance: $p_T^e \geq 0.2 \text{ GeV}/c$, $|\eta_e| \leq 1$, $|y_{ee}| \leq 1$

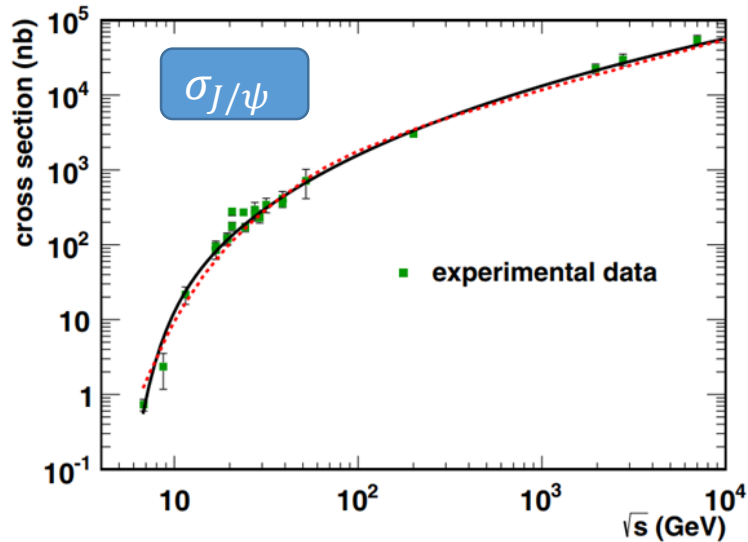


$p_T > 0.2 \text{ GeV}/c$ to exclude coherent photon induced production

p+p baseline

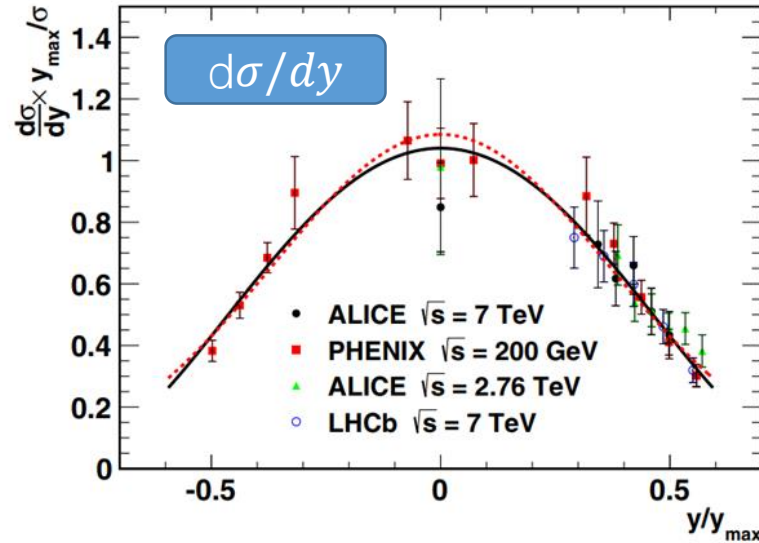
- For p+p baselines at 39, **54.4**, and 62.4 GeV, they are extracted from phenomenological interpolations
 - Energy interpolation from the existing **total J/ψ cross section** measurements
 - Energy evolution of the **rapidity distribution**
 - Energy evolution of **J/ψ transverse momentum** distribution

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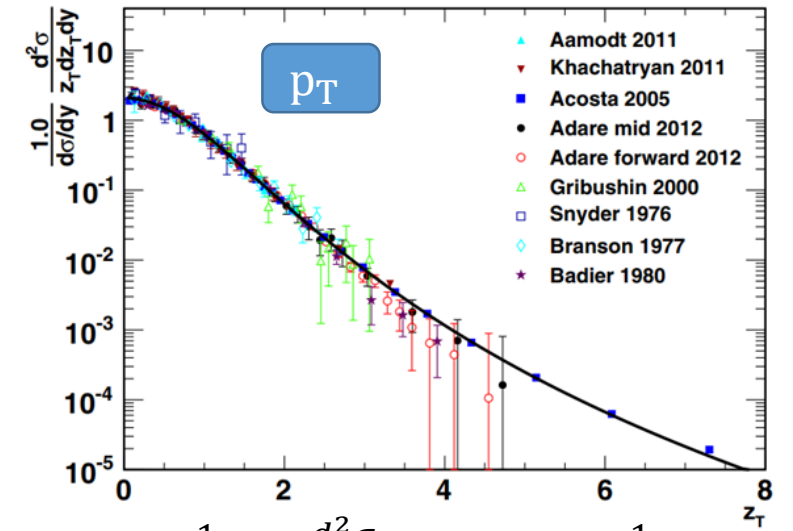


$$\sigma = \alpha \times \sigma_{CEM}$$

$$\text{where } y_{max} = \ln\left(\frac{\sqrt{s}}{m_{J/\psi}}\right)$$



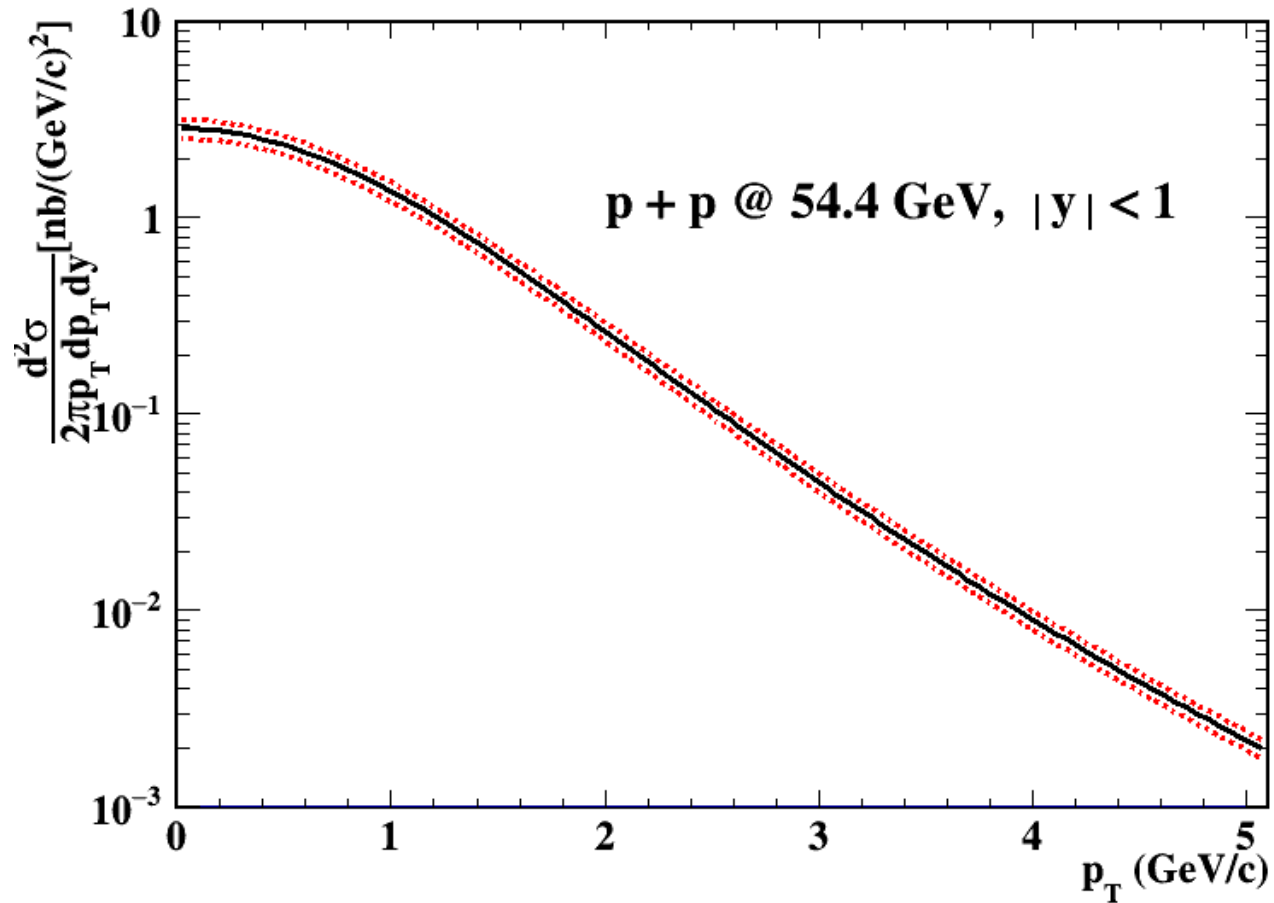
$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{dy} = a e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{y/y_{max}}{b}\right)^2}$$



$$\frac{1}{d\sigma/dy} \frac{d^2\sigma}{z_T dz_T dy} = a \times \frac{1}{(1+b^2 z_T^2)^n}$$

$$\text{where } z_T = p_T / \langle p_T \rangle$$

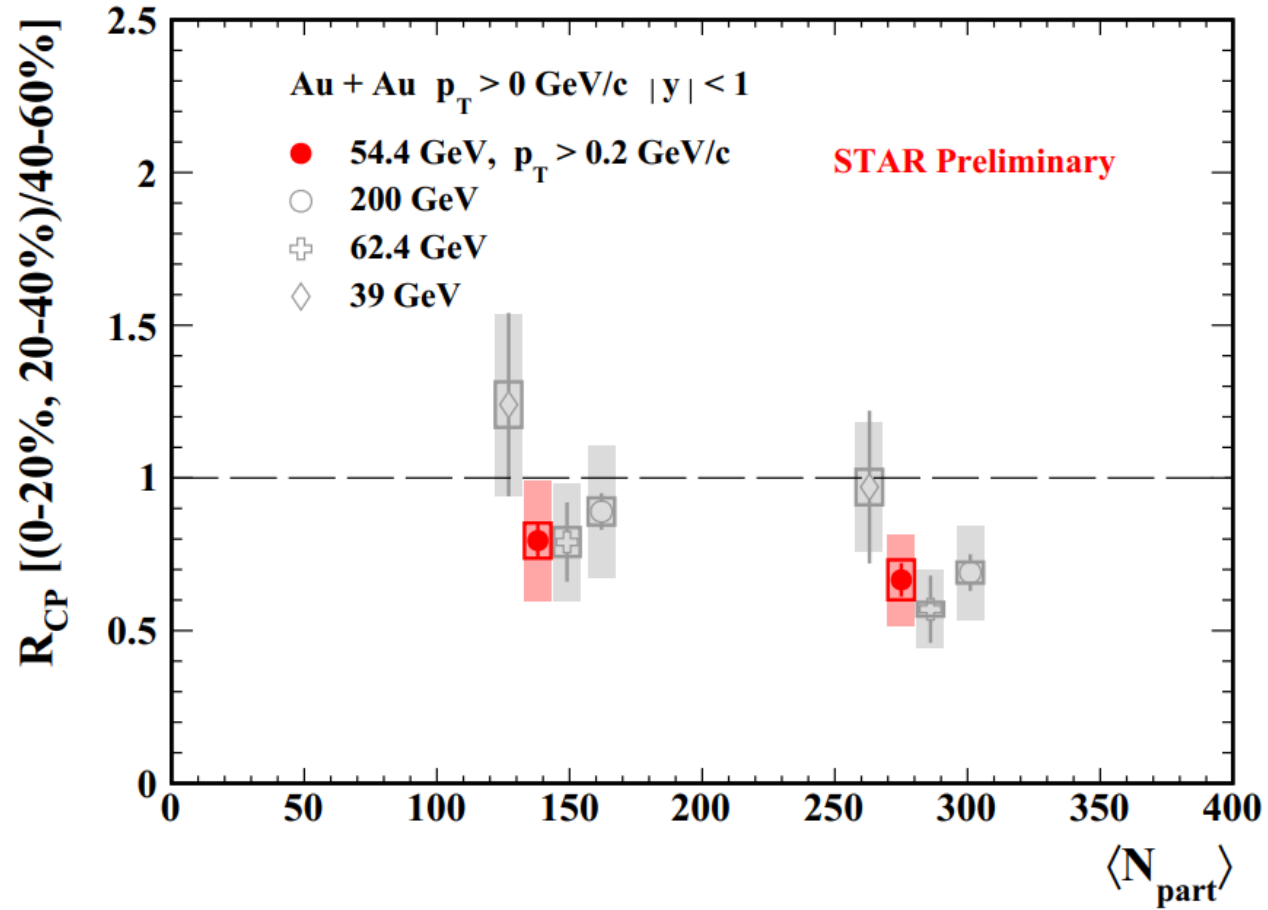
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- The p_T dependence of deduced J/ψ differential cross section at midrapidity in p+p collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 54.4$ GeV
- The uncertainty from interpolation: $\sim 11\%$

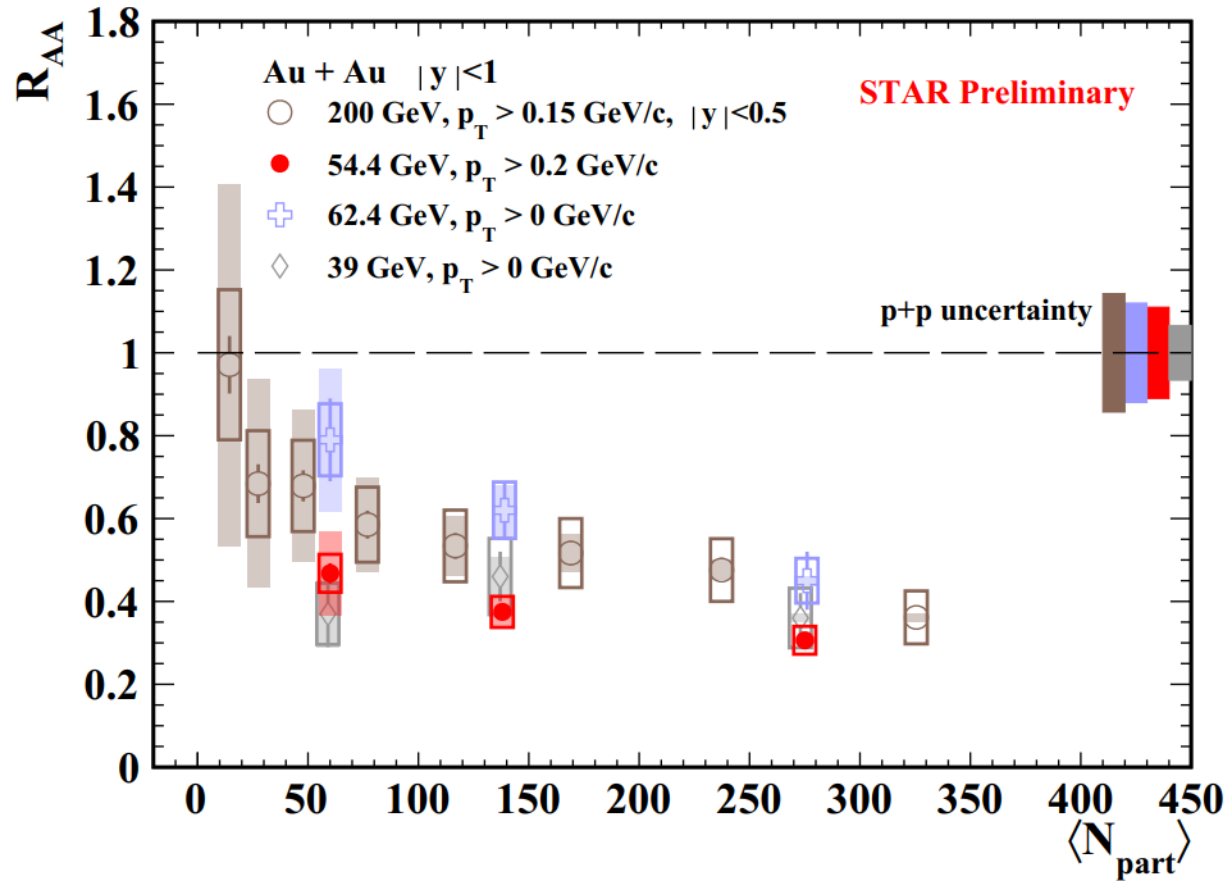
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R_{CP} vs $\langle N_{part} \rangle$

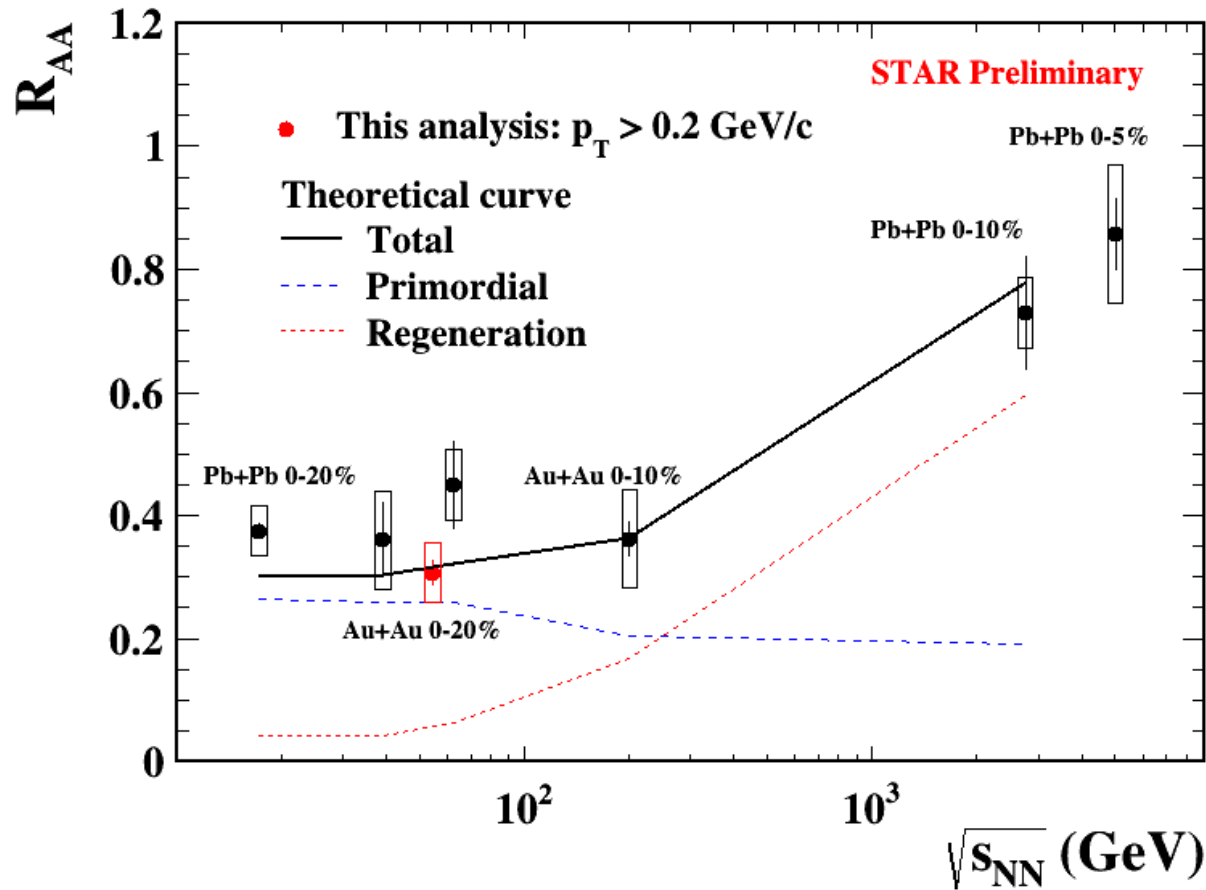


$$R_{CP} = \frac{\frac{dN/dy}{\langle N_{coll} \rangle} (\text{central})}{\frac{dN/dy}{\langle N_{coll} \rangle} (\text{peripheral})}$$

- Peripheral 40 – 60 % centrality is used as reference
- A suppression is observed in central Au+Au collisions at 54.4 GeV, similar to that at 62.4 and 200 GeV



- Suppression of J/ψ production is observed in Au+Au collisions at 54.4 GeV with better precision compared to 39 and 62.4 GeV
- No significant energy dependence is observed among 39, 54.4, 62.4 and 200 GeV, as a function of $\langle N_{part} \rangle$



- R_{AA} as a function of $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$, in central A+A collisions
- 54.4 GeV data follow the trend with improved precision
- No significant energy dependence is observed within uncertainties up to 200 GeV
 - Interplay of dissociation, regeneration and cold nuclear matter effects
- Model calculations are consistent with the observed energy dependence

Calculations are for the same system as data points and in 0-20% centrality

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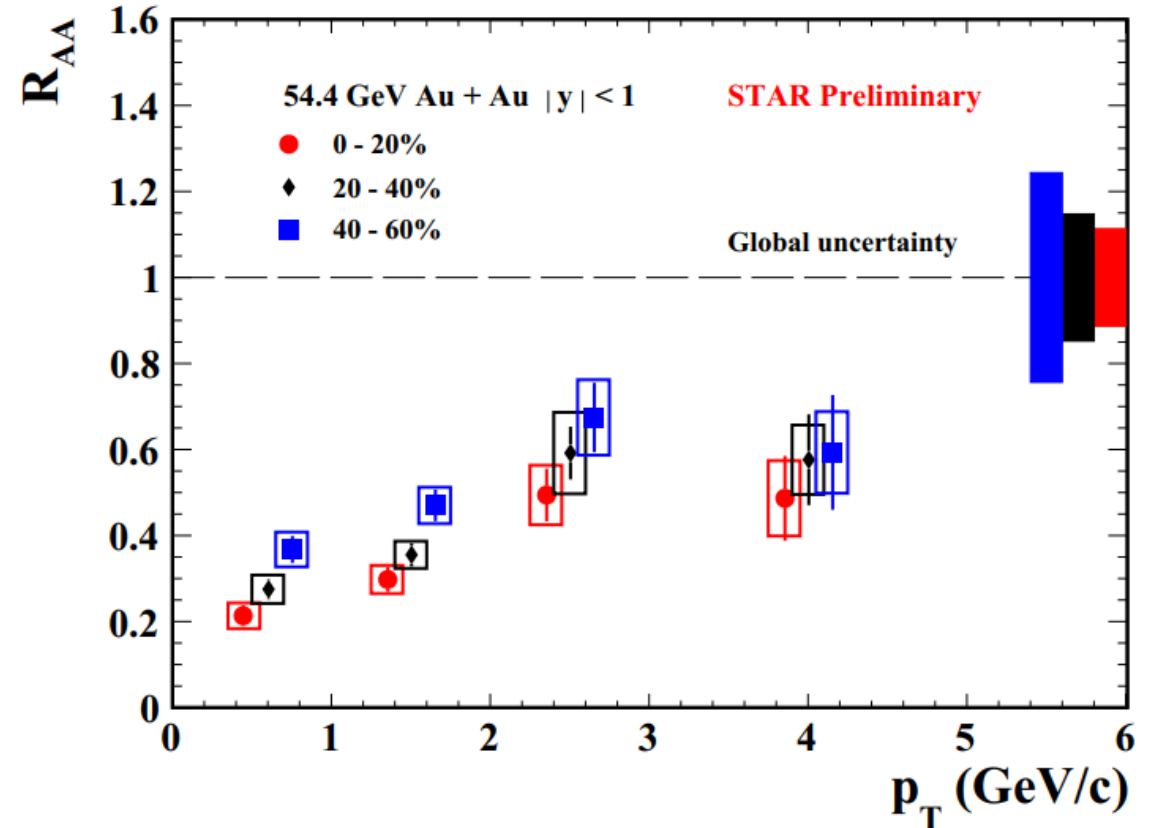
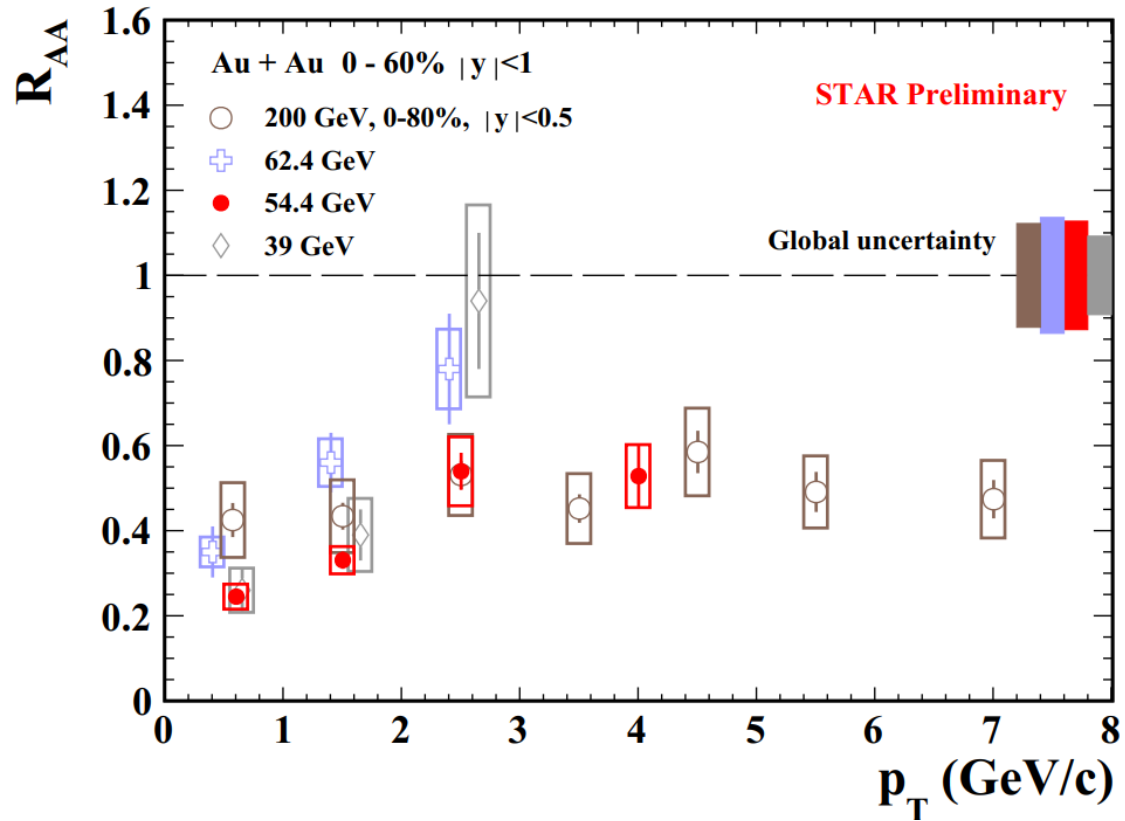
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- R_{AA} increases with increasing p_T for 39, 54.4 and 62.4 GeV

- More suppression towards central collisions

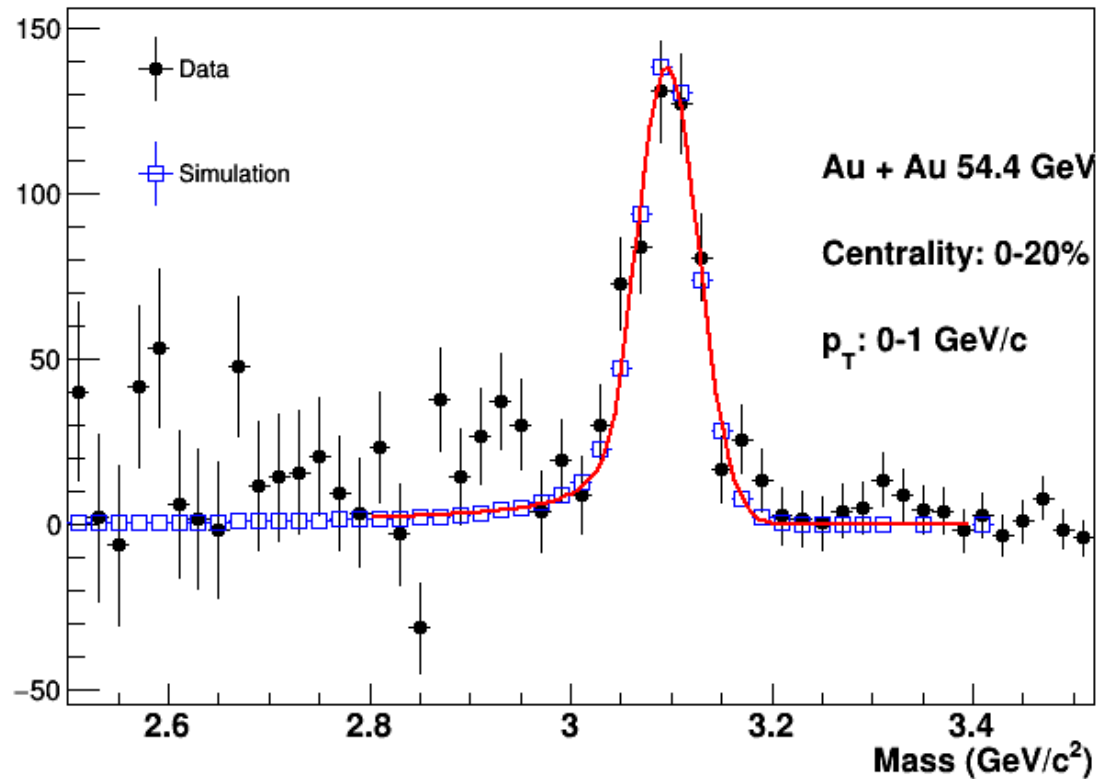
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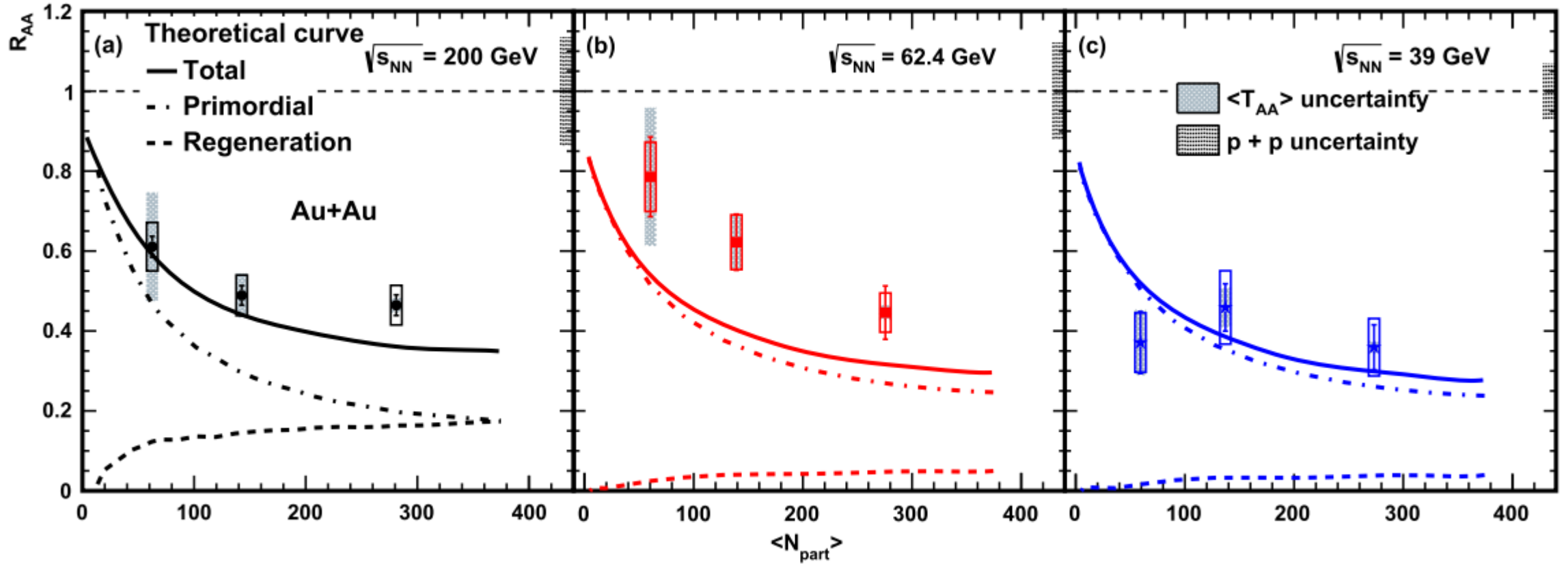
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J/ψ signal templates



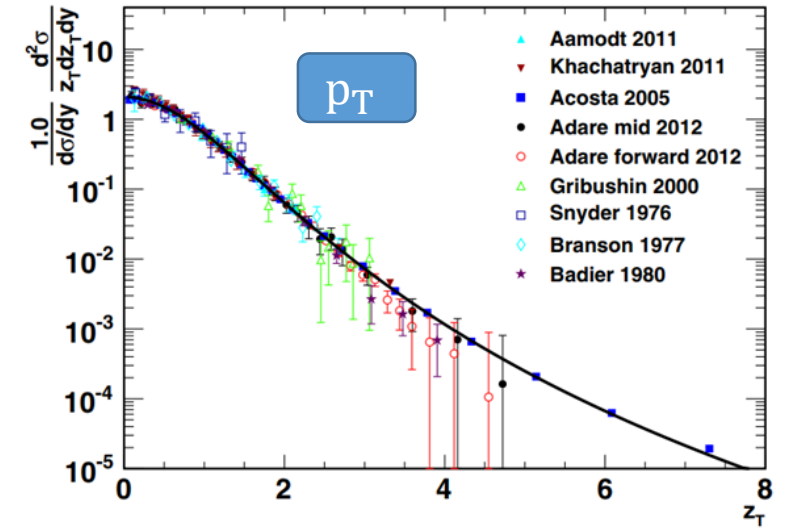
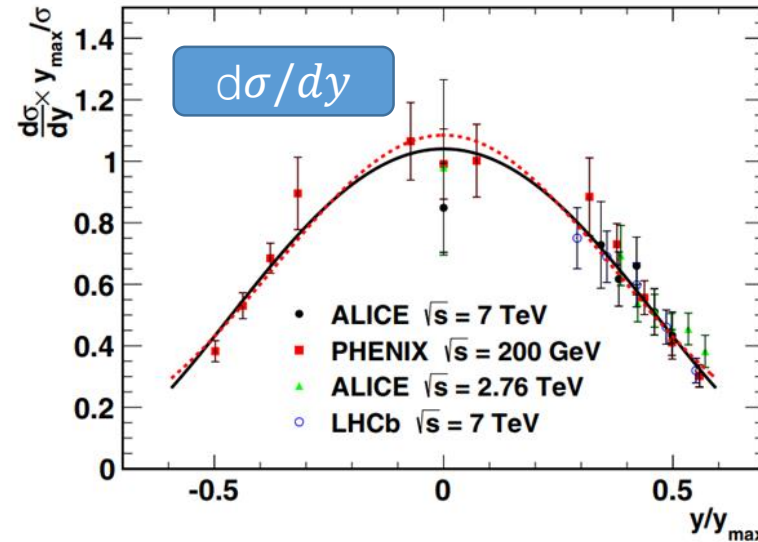
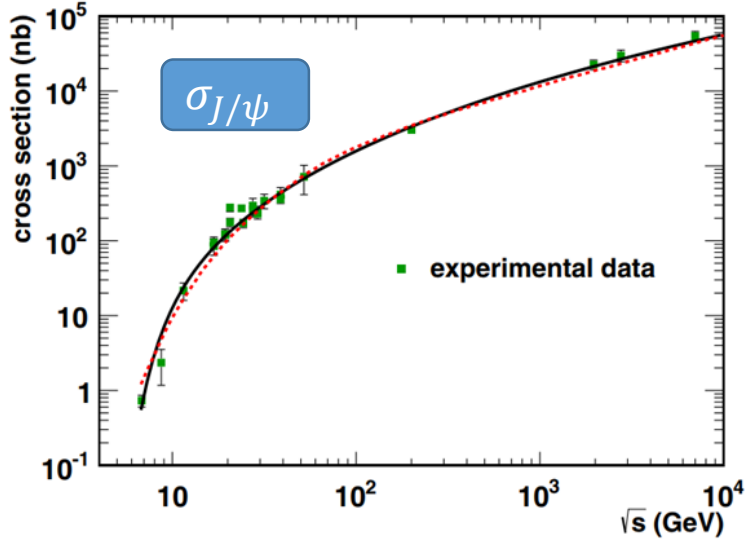
- The J/ψ line-shape from embedding with additional momentum smearing matches data well
- The distribution is fitted by a Crystal-ball function
- Fix the shape of the Crystal-ball function according to simulation when fitting the J/ψ raw signal in real data



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$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{d(y/y_{max})} = a e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{y/y_{max}}{b}\right)^2} \text{ (default)}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{d(y/y_{max})} = \frac{c}{1 - (y/y_{max})^2} e^{-d\left(\ln\left(\frac{1+y/y_{max}}{1-y/y_{max}}\right)\right)^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{d\sigma/dy} \frac{d^2\sigma}{z_T dz_T dy} = a \times \frac{1}{(1+b^2 z_T^2)^n}$$

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