

Extracting bottom quark production cross section from p+p collisions at RHIC

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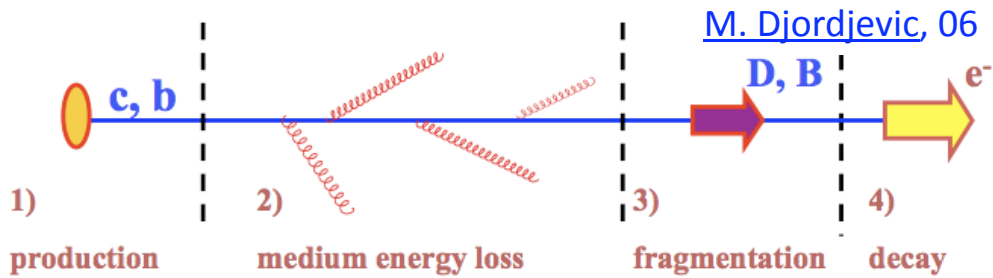
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Introduction

- Heavy quarks are good probes to study the QCD matter
- NPE: semi-leptonic decays of open heavy quark hadrons

e.g.: $c \rightarrow e^+ + \text{anything} (9.6\%)$

$$D^0 \rightarrow k^- + e^+ + \nu_e (3.5\%)$$

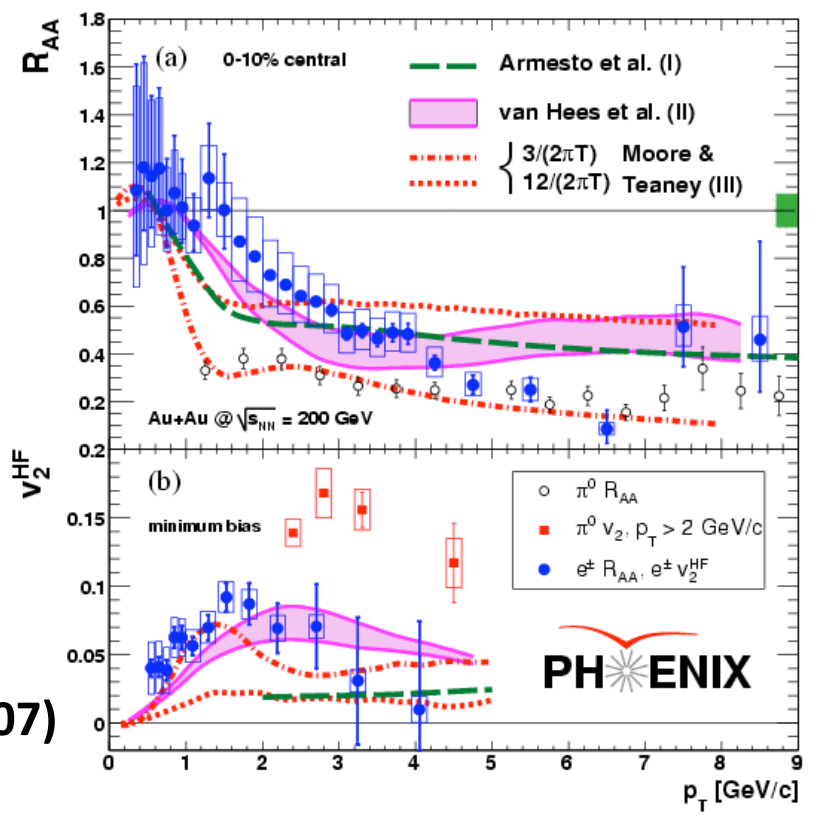


➤ NPE yield at high p_T largely suppressed

➤ Models under predicted this suppression

➤ Need to disentangle bottom and charm contributions

PHENIX PRL 98, 172301 (2007)



The background in NPE analysis

The main background is photonic electrons:

Photon conversions in material

Dalitz decays of pseudoscalar mesons

$$\gamma \rightarrow e^+ + e^-$$

$$\pi^0, \eta \rightarrow \gamma + e^+ + e^-$$

Reconstruct the invariant masses of electron pairs
+ apply opening angles cuts =>
Statistically obtain the yield of photonic electrons

Other background:

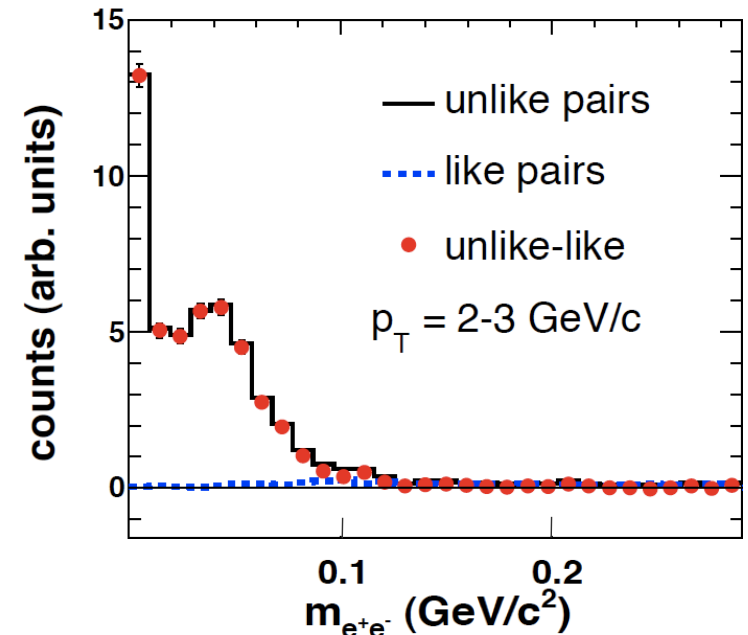
vector meson decays $\omega, \rho, \phi, J/\Psi \rightarrow e^+ e^-$

The contributions can be estimated through
decay simulations with PYTHIA.

ω, ρ, ϕ contribute very little at high p_T ;

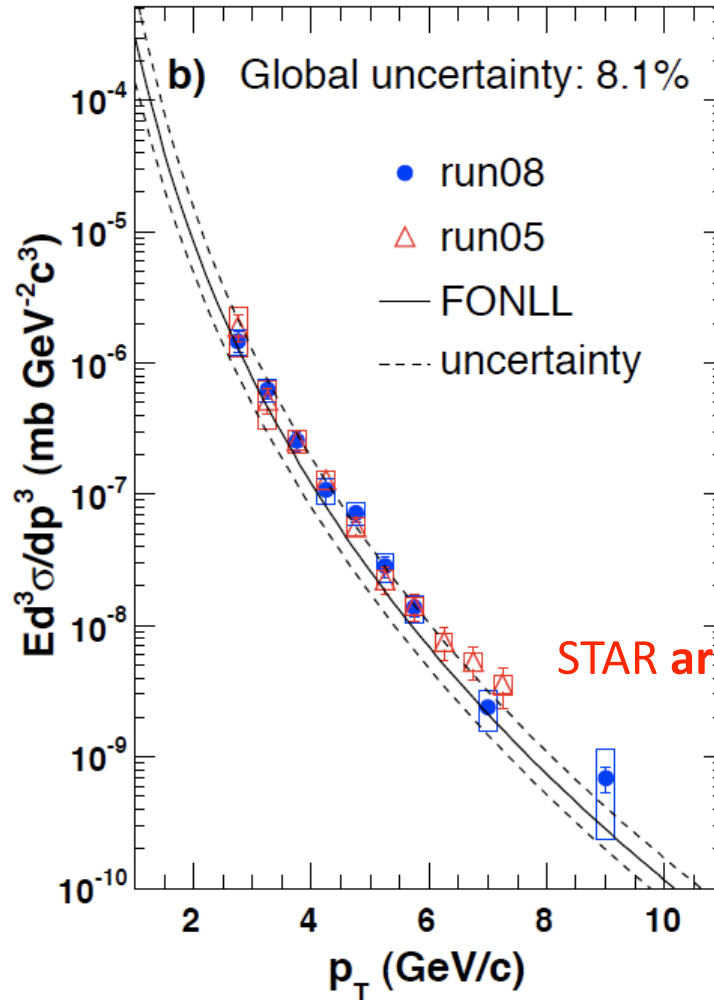
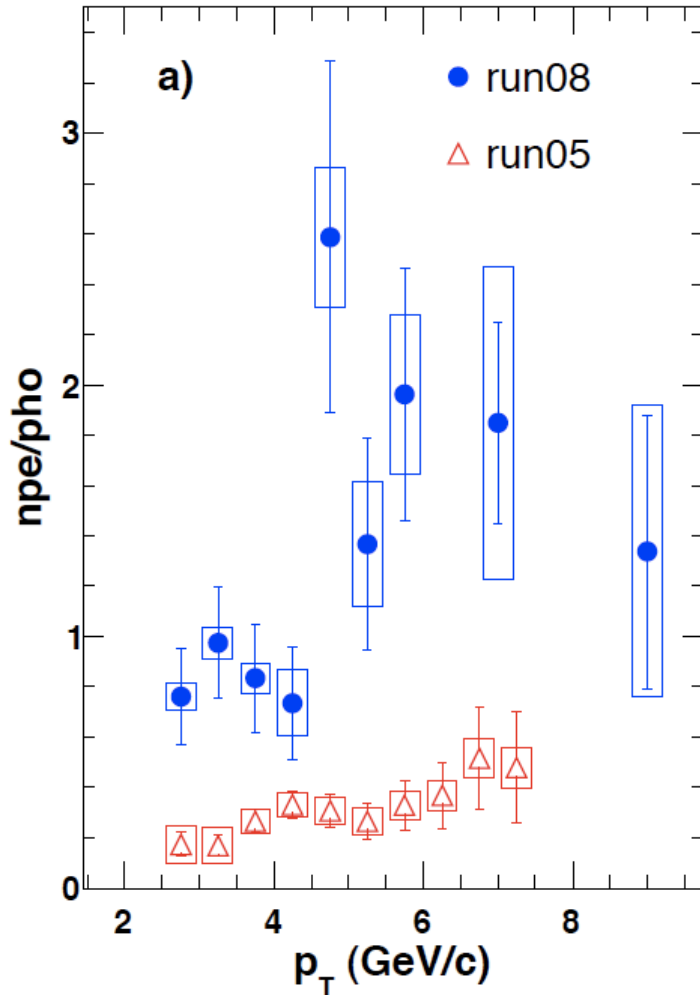
Hadron Contaminations

Controlled by particle ionization energy loss difference in STAR TPC gas.



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STAR high p_T NPE Measurements in 200GeV p+p collisions ⁵



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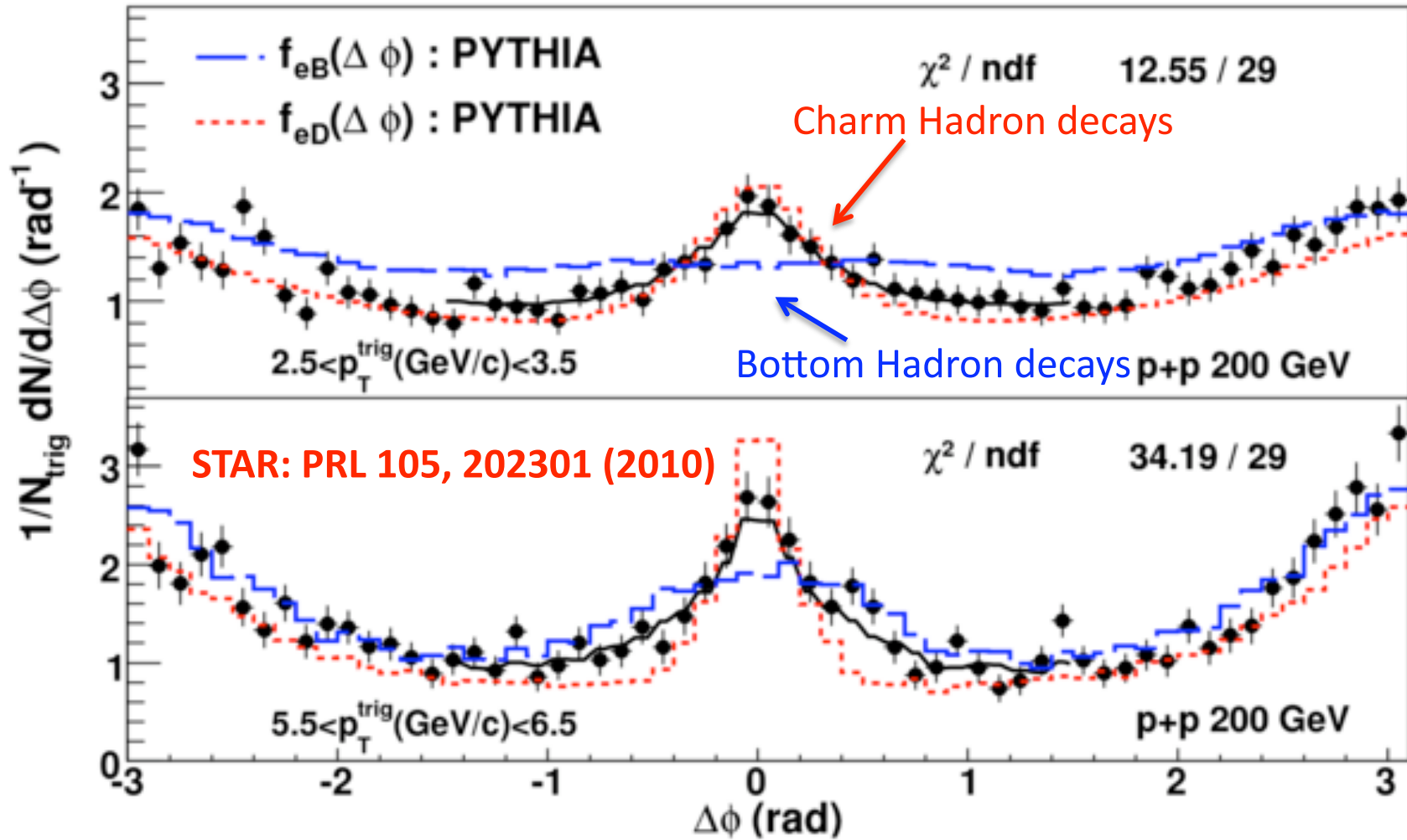
J/ Ψ , upsilon and Drell-Yan contributions are kept in this plot

Measurement done with TPC+EMC for run08 and run05.

Run 2005: high material budget v.s. Run 2008: low material budget

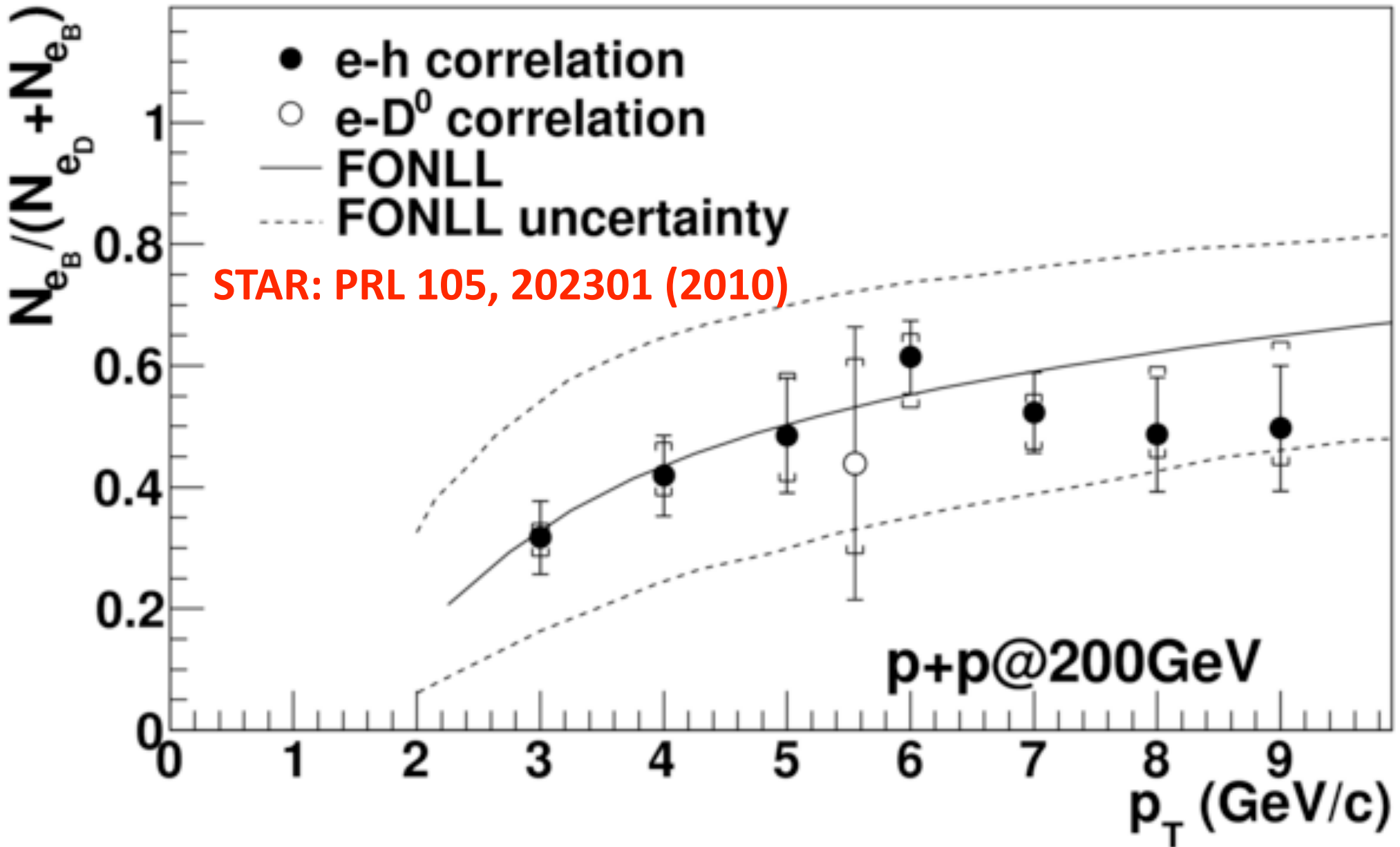
$p_T > 2.5 GeV/c$ NPE measurement with dramatically different photonic electron background agree with each very well

the Bottom Quark Contribution to NPE



A study on the azimuthal correlations between the non-photonic electrons and hadrons in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 200 \text{ GeV}$. Compared against PYTHIA calculations to obtain the relative contributions of Bottom and Charm mesons.

the $N_{e_B}/(N_{e_B}+N_{e_D})$ ratio



Formulae to calculate B->e and D->e

$$N_{e_B} = (N_{e_B} + N_{e_D}) \cdot \frac{N_{e_B}}{N_{e_B} + N_{e_D}}$$

$$E \frac{d^3\sigma}{d\vec{p}^3} \Big|_{e_B} = E \frac{d^3\sigma}{d\vec{p}^3} \Big|_{e_B+e_D} \cdot \frac{N_{e_B}}{N_{e_B} + N_{e_D}}$$

$$E \frac{d^3\sigma}{d\vec{p}^3} \Big|_{e_B+e_D} = E \frac{d^3\sigma}{d\vec{p}^3} \Big|_{e_{NPE}} - E \frac{d^3\sigma}{d\vec{p}^3} \Big|_{e_{J/\Psi, Y, Drall-Yan}}$$

p+p collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 200\text{GeV}$
Run8 and Run5 combined

STAR [arXiv:1102.2611](#) (2011)

J/ Ψ from STAR and PHENIX,
Y and Drall-Yan from pQCD,
fed into PYTHIA
and decay into electrons

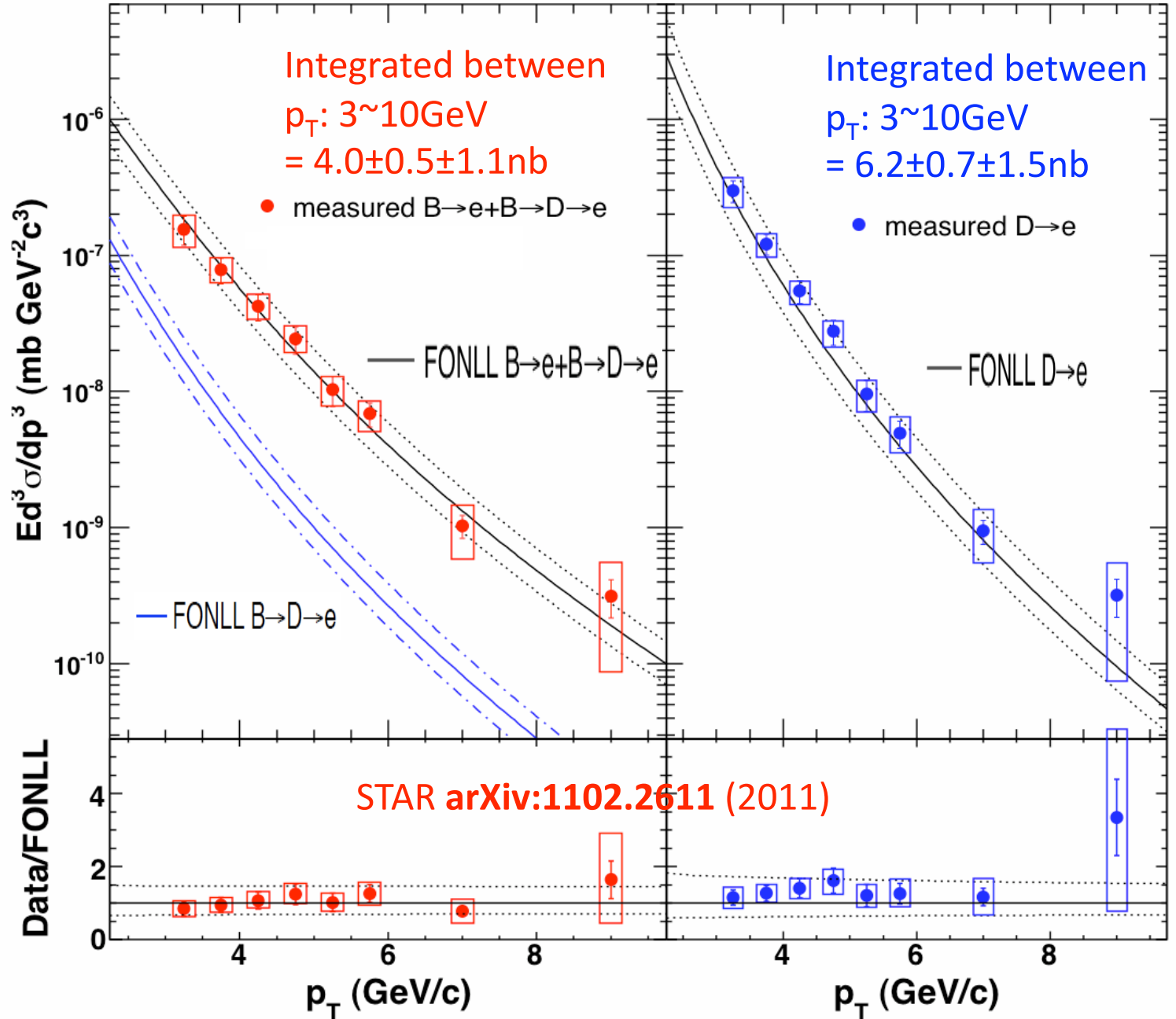
Invariant cross section of electrons from charm and bottom

pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 200\text{GeV}$
 $|\eta| < 0.5$

For bottom electrons,
 FONLL [1] is consistent
 With data!

FONLL prediction:

$$\sigma_{bb^-} = 1.87^{+0.99}_{-0.67} \mu\text{b}$$

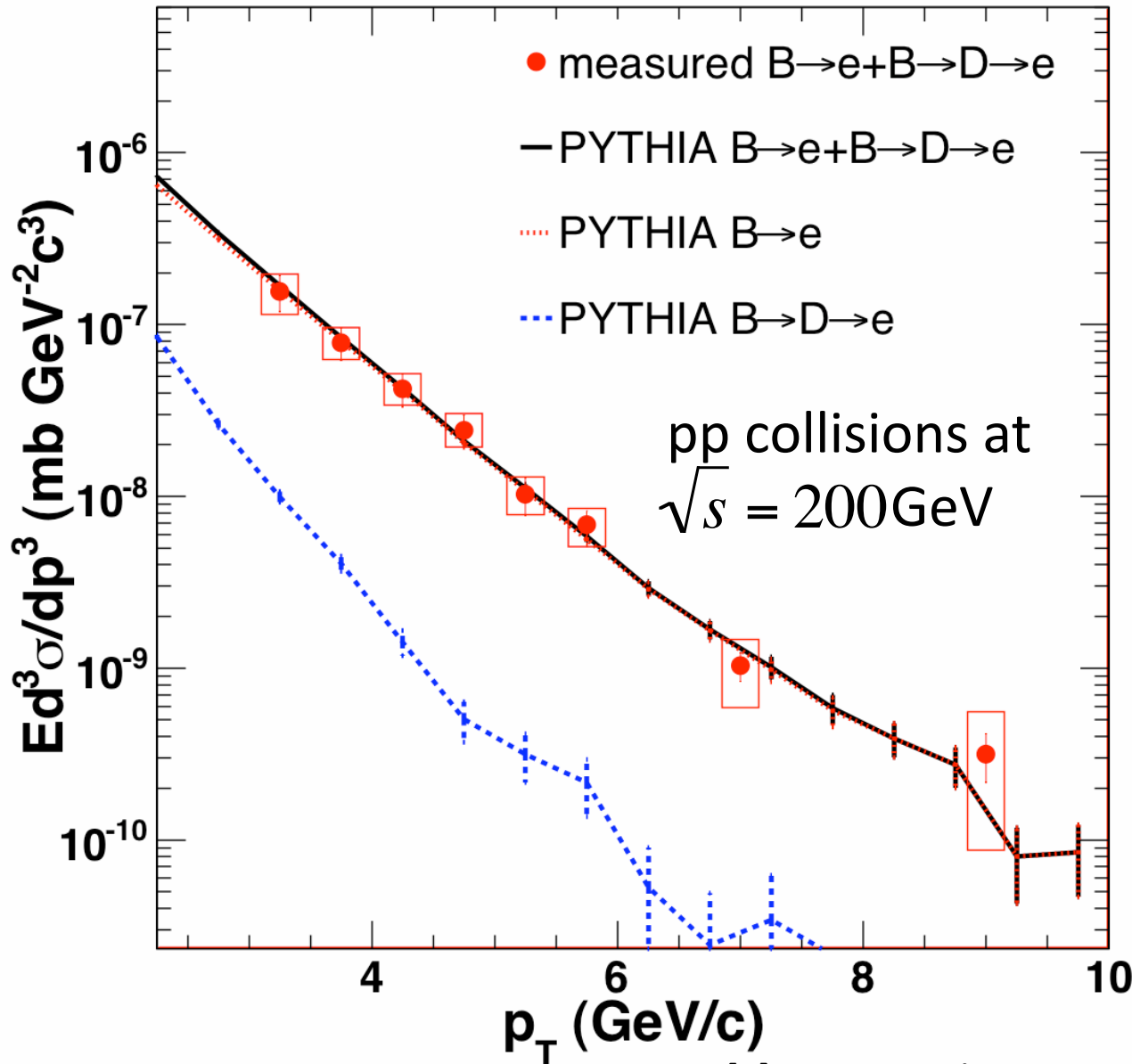


[1]: M. Cacciari, P. Nason and R. Vogt, Phys. Rev. Lett. **95**, 20 122001 (2005);

M. Cacciari, R. Vogt, private communications

MSEL=1

PYTHIA 6.409_[2] calculations



All default set up, except:
p.d.f.= CTEQ5M1

Used in an earlier STAR paper:
Phys. Rev. Lett. 94, 062301 (2005).

The original PYTHIA calculation
has been normalized to the data,
i.e. the integrated cross section
from 3 GeV/c to 10 GeV/c
is fixed to be 4.0 nb in PYTHIA

Use normalized PYTHIA calculation
to extrapolate:

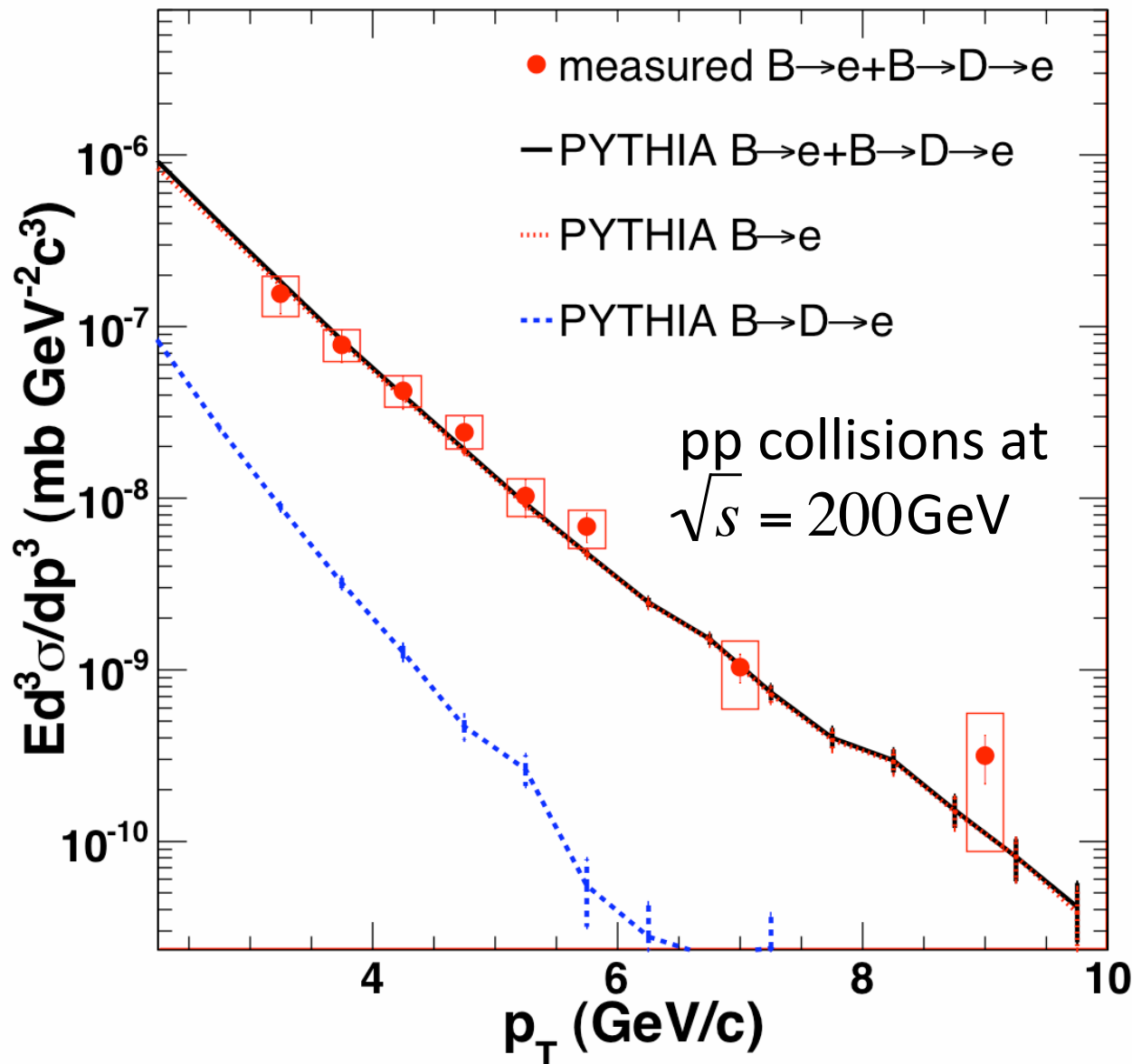
$$\left. \frac{d\sigma_{B \rightarrow e}}{dy} \right|_{y=0} (0 - 10 \text{ GeV}/c) = 40.2 \text{ nb}$$

A factor of 10 extrapolation.

[2] T. Sjostrand, S. Mrenna and P. Skands, JHEP 0605, 026 (2006);
<http://home.thep.lu.se/torbjorn/pythia/pythia6409.f>

MSEL=5, everything else the same

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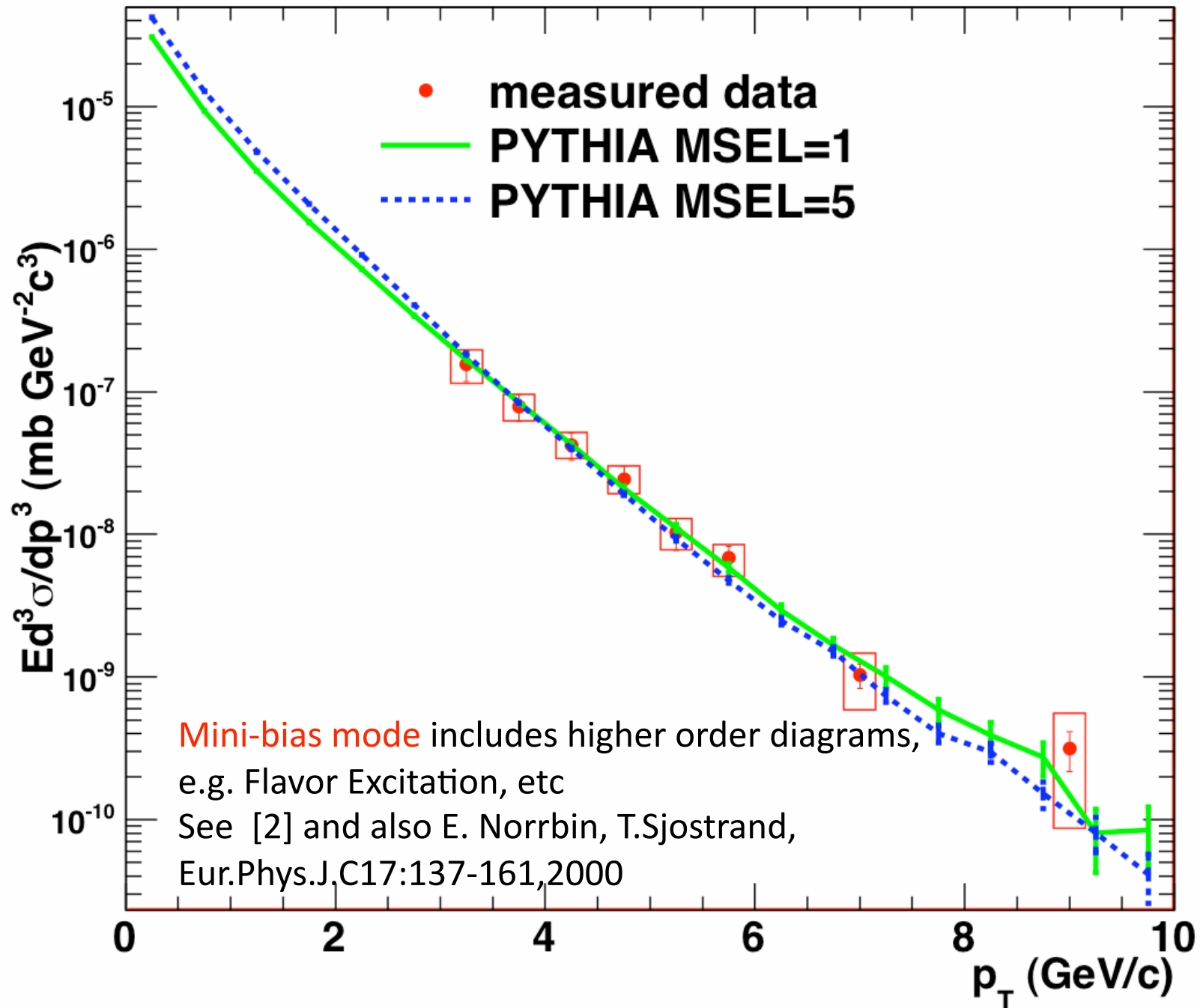


In PYTHIA,
 MSEL=1 is the Mini-bias
 processes mode, default
 MSEL=5 is a heavy flavor
 (Bottom quark)
 processes mode

Use normalized PYTHIA calculation
 to extrapolate:

$$\left. \frac{d\sigma_{B \rightarrow e}}{dy} \right|_{y=0} (0 - 10 \text{ GeV}/c) = 53.8 \text{ nb}$$

34% higher!



Other PYTHIA calculations

PYTHIA parameters	$\sigma_{B \rightarrow e}(nb)$	deviation
$\langle k_T \rangle = 2.0 \text{ GeV (D)}$; Max. $k_T = 5.0 \text{ GeV (D)}$; p.d.f=CTEQ5M1	40.2	0
$\langle k_T \rangle = 0.5 \text{ GeV}$; Max. $k_T = 5.0 \text{ GeV (D)}$; p.d.f=CTEQ5M1	41.6	+3.5%
$\langle k_T \rangle = 1.5 \text{ GeV}$; Max. $k_T = 10.0 \text{ GeV}$; p.d.f=CTEQ5M1	38.5	-4.3%
$\langle k_T \rangle = 3.0 \text{ GeV}$; Max. $k_T = 15.0 \text{ GeV}$; p.d.f=CTEQ5M1	42.2	+5%
$\langle k_T \rangle = 4.5 \text{ GeV}$; Max. $k_T = 20.0 \text{ GeV}$; p.d.f=CTEQ5M1	36.0	-10.5%
$\langle k_T \rangle = 2.0 \text{ GeV (D)}$; Max. $k_T = 5.0 \text{ GeV (D)}$; p.d.f=CTEQ5L (D)	38.8	-3.5%
CDF tuneA	45.7	+14%

PYTHIA default

All of them use the default MSEL=1 mode.

Branch ratio Correction

particle	Admixture in PDG	in PYTHIA	B.R. in PDG	in PYTHIA
B^0	$(40.1 \pm 1.3)\%$	39.5%	$(10.33 \pm 0.28)\%$	10.52%
B^+	$(40.1 \pm 1.3)\%$	39.7%	$(10.99 \pm 0.28)\%$	10.47%
B_s^0	$(11.3 \pm 1.3)\%$	11.6%	$(7.9 \pm 2.4)\%$	10.53%
$b - baryon$	$(8.5 \pm 2.2)\%$	9.1%	$(\sim 9.3)\%$	9.24%
Admixture Average	-	-	$(10.86 \pm 0.35)\%$	10.4%

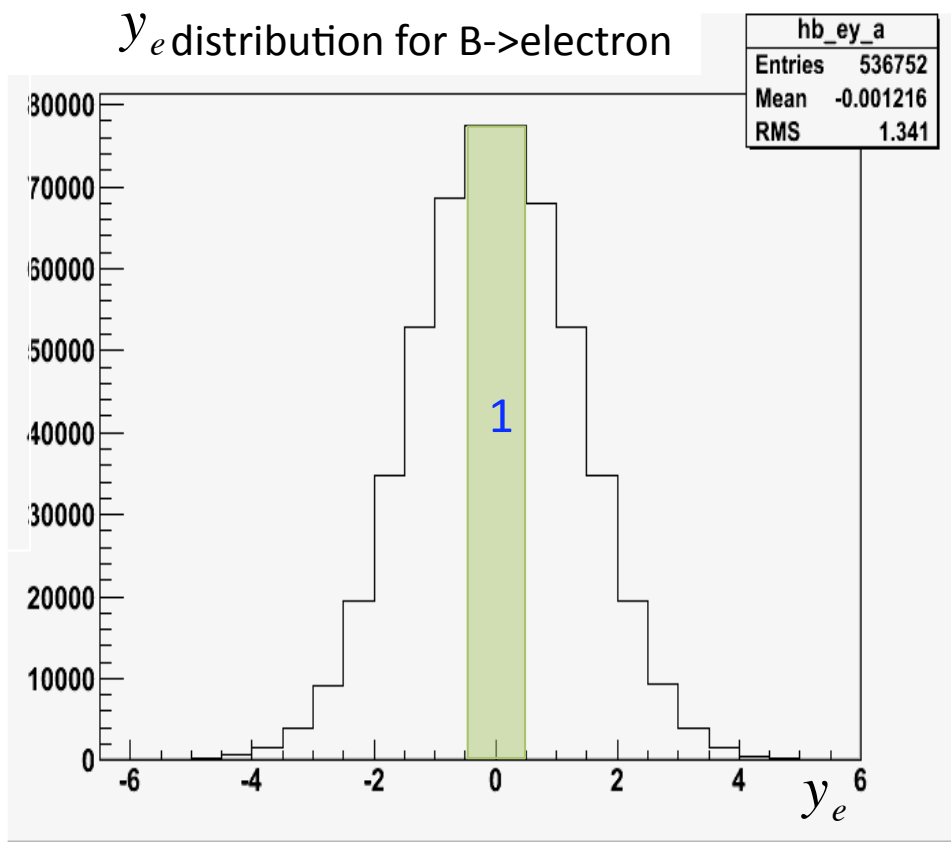
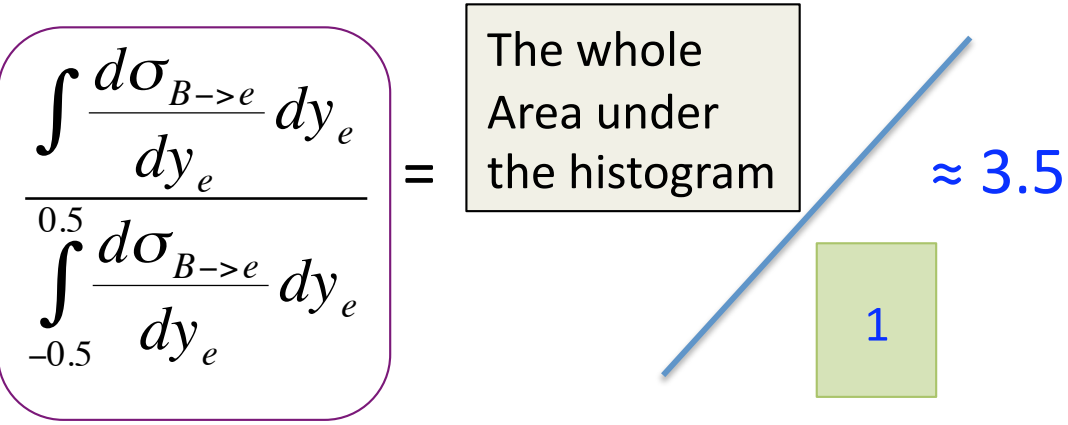
- The B^\pm, B^0, B^s, B -baryons admixture and branch ratios in PYTHIA are close to PDG [4] values, based on measurements at LEP, Tevatron, $Sp\bar{p}S$, etc.
- B^\pm, B^0, B^s and B -baryons have **similar** semi-leptonic branch ratios and masses. So the result is not sensitive to the admixture.
- Estimated overall B.R. \sim **10.4%**

[4]:K. Nakamura *et al.* (*Particle Data Group*), *JPG* **37**, **075021** (2010)

Rapidity distribution correction

$$\sigma_{b\bar{b}} = \frac{\sigma_{B \rightarrow e}}{B.R.} = \left(\frac{\int \frac{d\sigma_{B \rightarrow e}}{dy_e} dy_e}{\int_{-0.5}^{0.5} \frac{d\sigma_{B \rightarrow e}}{dy_e} dy_e} \right) \cdot \frac{\left. \frac{d\sigma_{B \rightarrow e}}{dy_e} \right|_{y_e=0}}{B.R.}$$

Need a correction to extrapolate from $|y_e| < 0.5$ to the full rapidity:



The total $b\bar{b}$ production cross sections

In p+p collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV, extrapolated based on STAR NPE measurements at high p_T ,

$\sigma_{b\bar{b}} = 1.34 \mu b$ with PYTHIA, MSEL=1 Mode.

$\sigma_{b\bar{b}} = 1.83 \mu b$ with PYTHIA, MSEL=5 Mode.

PYTHIA results bear 12.5% (stat.) and 27.5% (sys.) experimental uncertainties.

FONLL^[1] calculation: $\sigma_{b\bar{b}} = 1.87^{+0.99}_{-0.67} \mu b$

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backup

J/ψ contribution

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