

# Heavy Flavor Production at RHIC with the STAR Experiment

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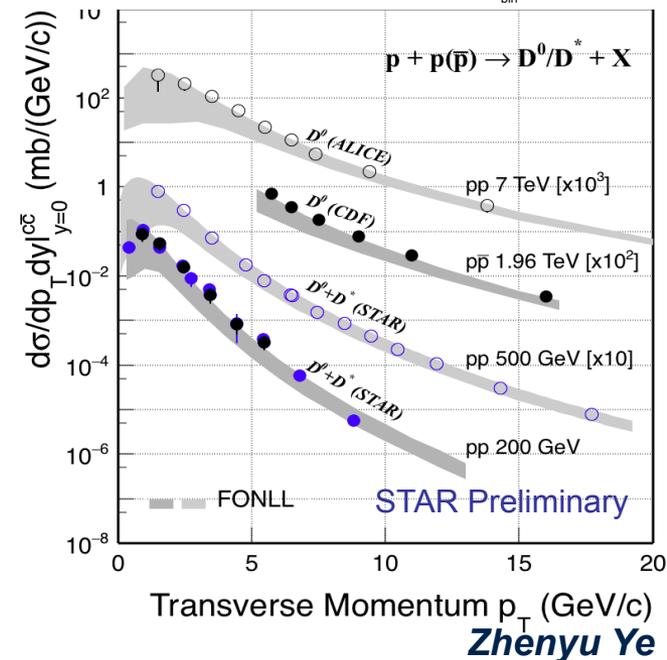
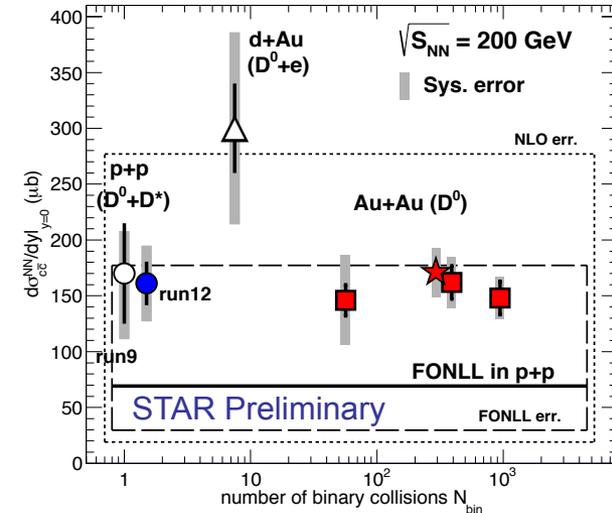
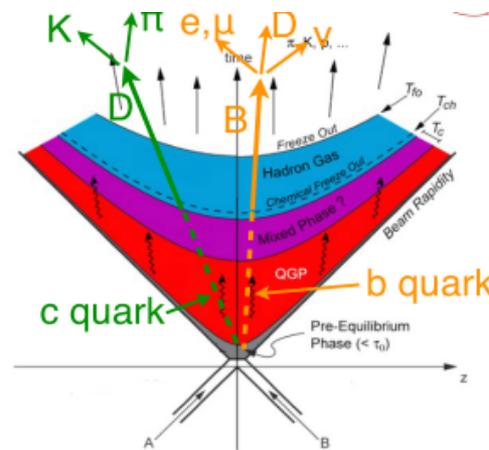
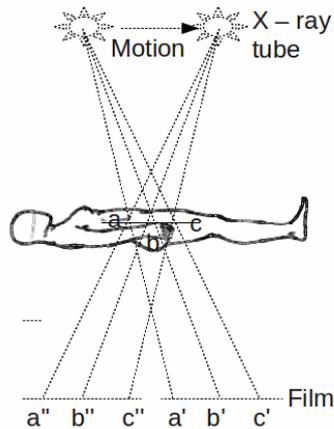
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  - Separate D/B-decayed electrons in p+p collisions
- **Quarkonium Measurements**
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  - $J/\psi$  yield vs event activity in p+p collisions
  - Very low  $p_T$   $J/\psi$  in peripheral Au+Au and U+U collisions
- **Summary and Outlook**

# Open Heavy Flavor Production

## Heavy Quark Tomography

- Produced mostly from initial hard scatterings at RHIC, calculable by pQCD – calibrated probes to study QGP properties
- Compare light, charm, bottom to disentangle different parton energy loss mechanisms
- Compare yields of different open charm hadrons ( $D^0$ ,  $D_s$ ,  $\Lambda_c$ ) to study hadronization



STAR: PRD 86 (2012) 072013, NPA 931 (2014) 520  
 CDF: PRL 91 (2003) 241804; ALICE: JHEP01 (2012) 128  
 FONLL: PRL 95 (2005) 122001

# STAR Experiment at RHIC

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Magnet

MTD

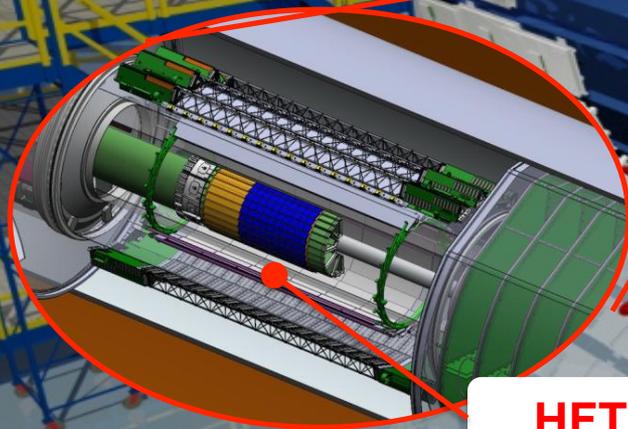
BEMC

TPC

TOF

VPD

BBC



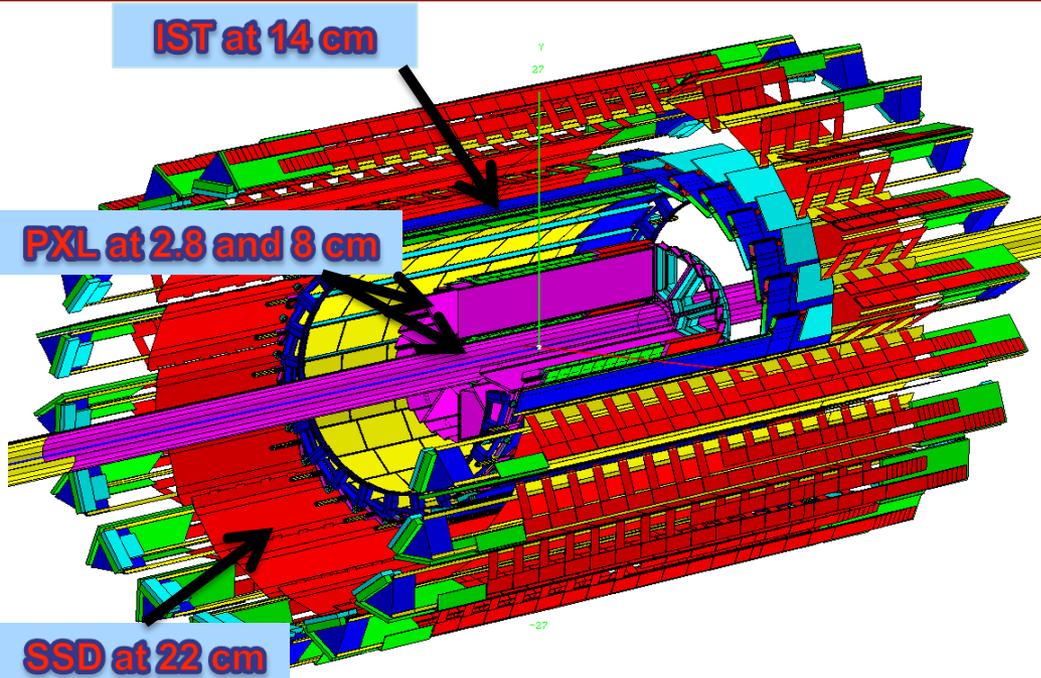
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TPC/TOF/BEMC:  $|\eta| < 1$

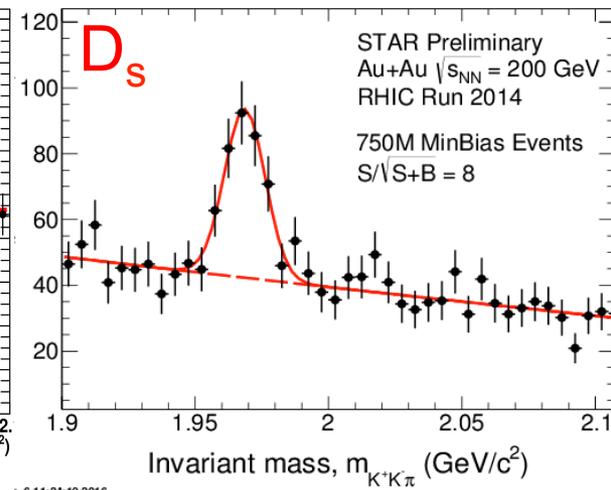
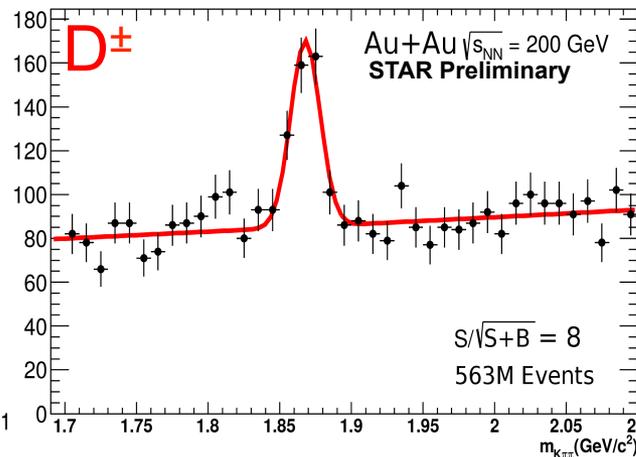
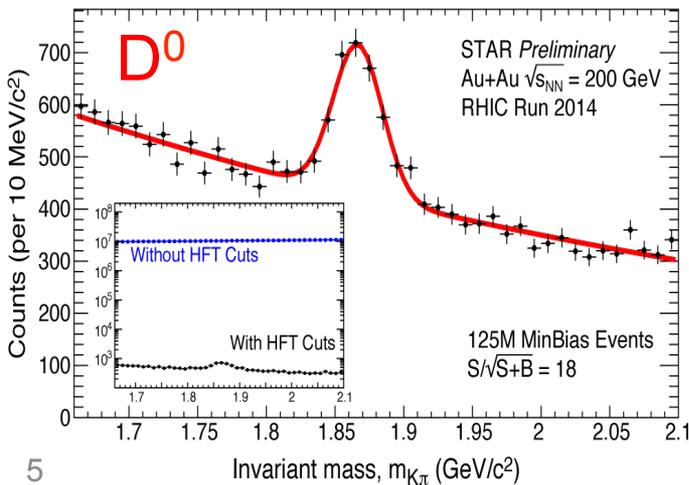
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MTD:  $|\eta| < 0.5$

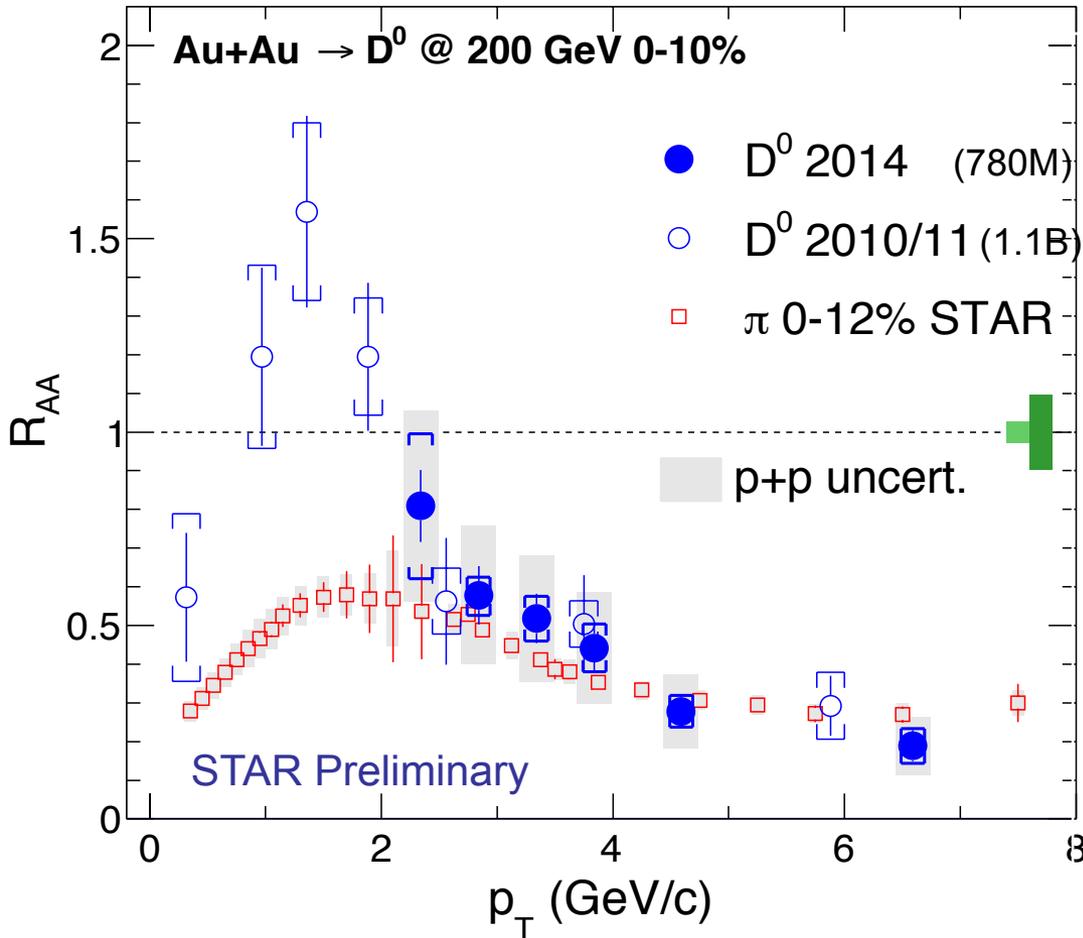
# STAR Heavy Flavor Tracker



- First application of Monolithic Active Pixel Sensor technology in collider experiments. DCA resolution  $< 50 \mu\text{m}$  for  $p_T = 750 \text{ MeV}/c$  Kaon
- Recorded about 3.2B Minimum Bias 200 GeV Au+Au events for  $D^0$ ,  $D^\pm$ ,  $D_s$ ,  $\Lambda_c$ , and  $1 \text{ nb}^{-1}$  high  $p_T$  electron and dimuon samples for  $D/B \rightarrow e$  and  $B \rightarrow J/\psi$  studies in 2014 and 2016.
- Results presented today are from 780M MB events in 2014.



# Results from the HFT – $D^0 R_{AA}$



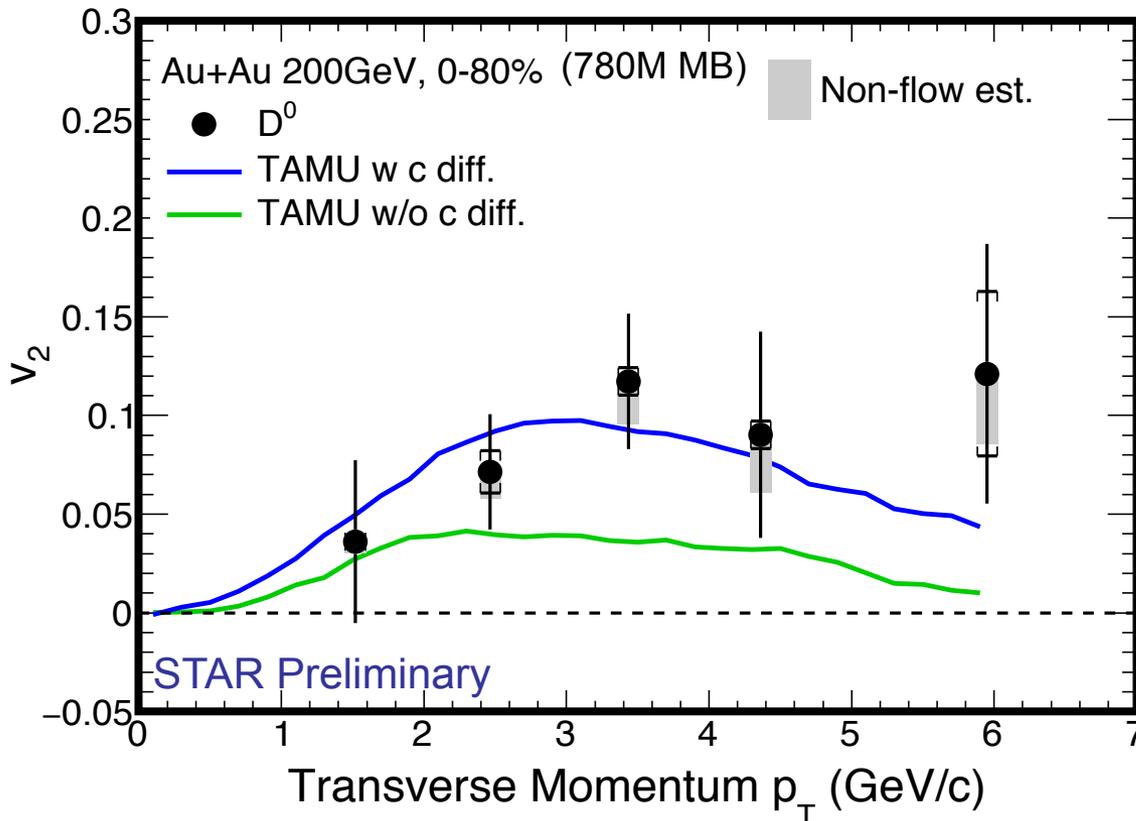
- $R_{AA}(D) > 1$  for  $p_T \sim 1.5$  GeV/c
- Charm coalescence with a radially flowing bulk medium
- High  $p_T$ : significant suppression in central Au+Au collisions.
- Strong charm-medium interaction
- $R_{AA}(D) \sim R_{AA}(\pi)$  at  $p_T > 4$  GeV/c
- Similar suppression for light partons and charm quarks at high  $p_T$
- Low  $p_T$   $R_{AA}$  study with HFT data in progress

$$R_{AA} = \frac{dN_{AA}/dy}{N_{binary} \cdot dN_{pp}/dy}$$

STAR  $D^0$  2010/11: PRL 113 (2014) 142301  
 STAR  $\pi$  0-12%: PLB 655 (2007) 104

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- Non-zero  $v_2$  for  $p_T > 2$  GeV/c

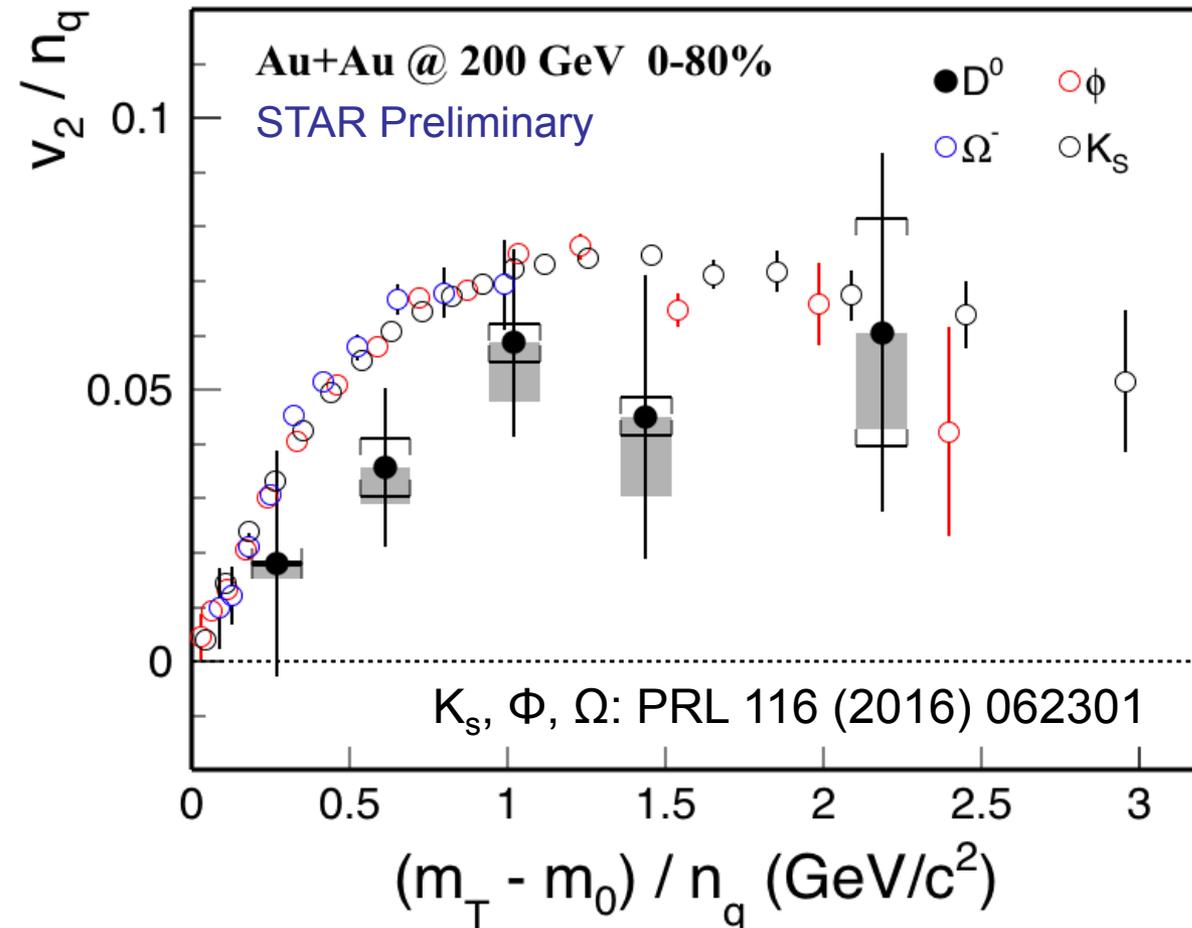
Favors charm quark diffusion

$$\frac{dN}{d\phi} = N_0 \left[ 1 + \sum_n 2v_n \cos n\phi \right]$$

Theory curves: latest calculations from private communications  
 TAMU: PRC 86 (2012) 014903, PRL 110 (2013) 112301

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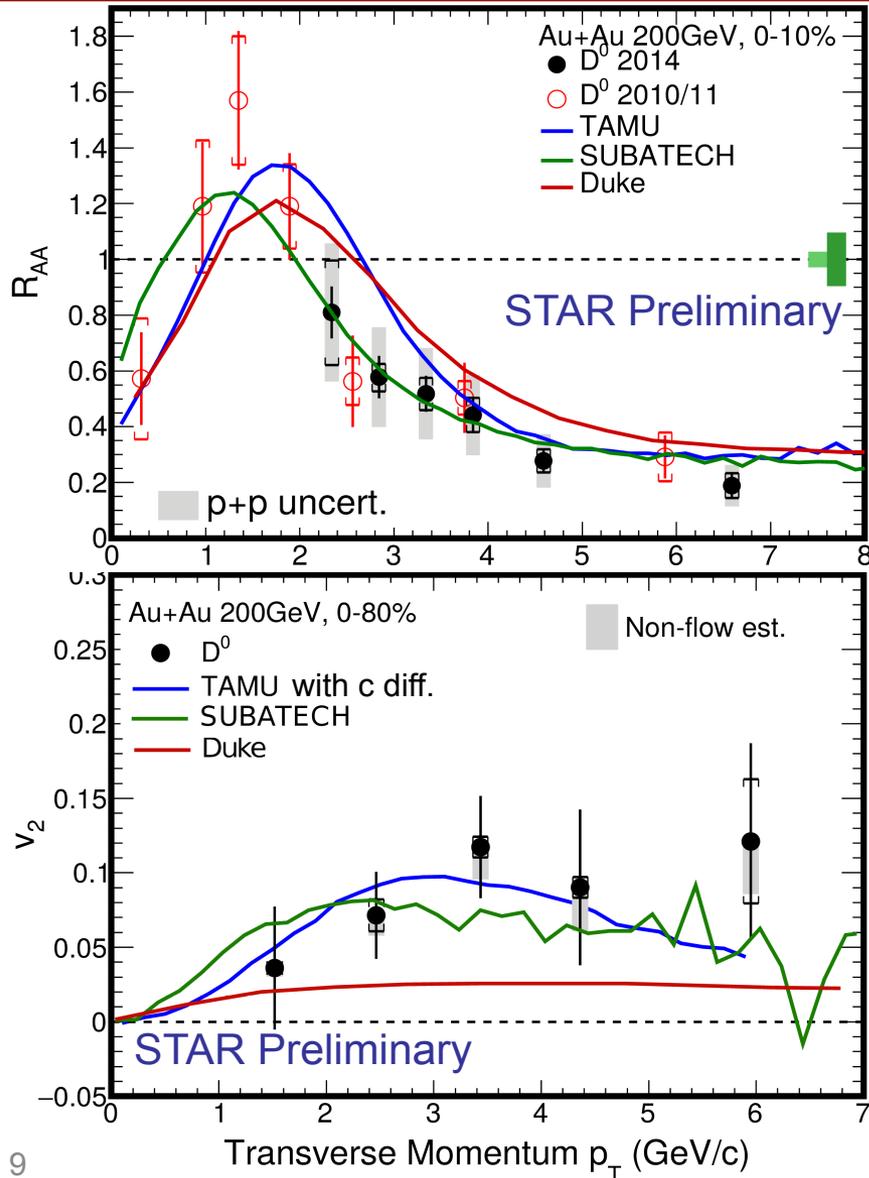
- Lower than light hadron  $v_2$

**Indication that charm quarks are not fully thermalized with the medium?**

- Need  $D^0 v_2$  with improved precision in narrower centrality bins

$$m_T = \sqrt{p_T^2 + m_0^2}$$

# Comparison with Theory



TAMU: non-perturb. T-matrix  
 $(2\pi T) D = 2-11$

SUBATECH: perturb.+resummation  
 $(2\pi T) D = 2-4$

DUKE: Langevin simulation with input  
 parameter tuned to the LHC data  
 $(2\pi T) D = 7$

	$D \times 2\pi T$	Diff. Calculation
TAMU	2-11	T-Matrix
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Duke	7	Free parameter

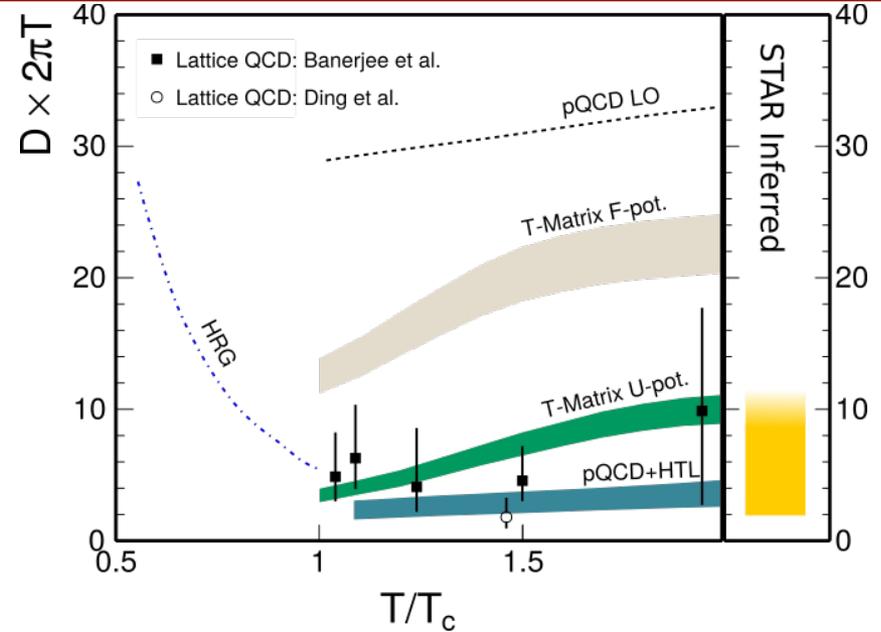
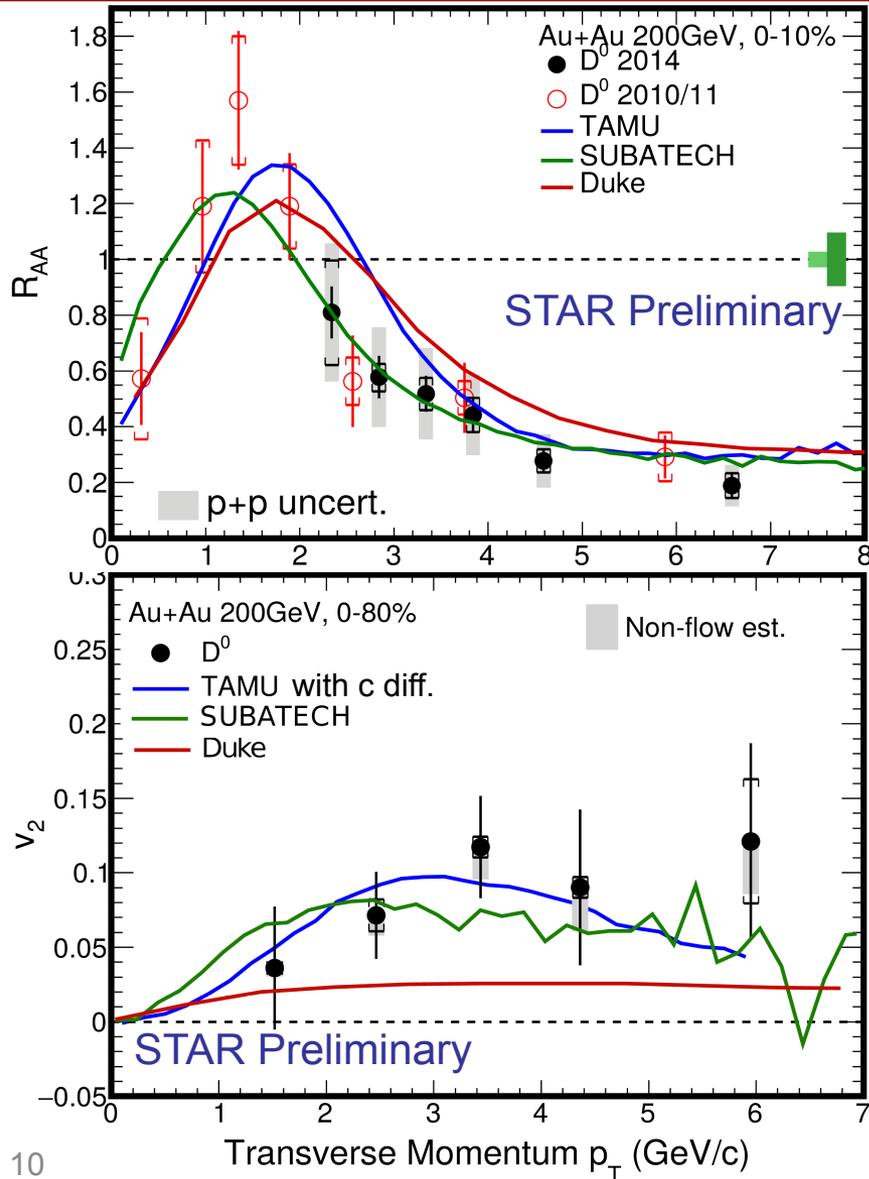
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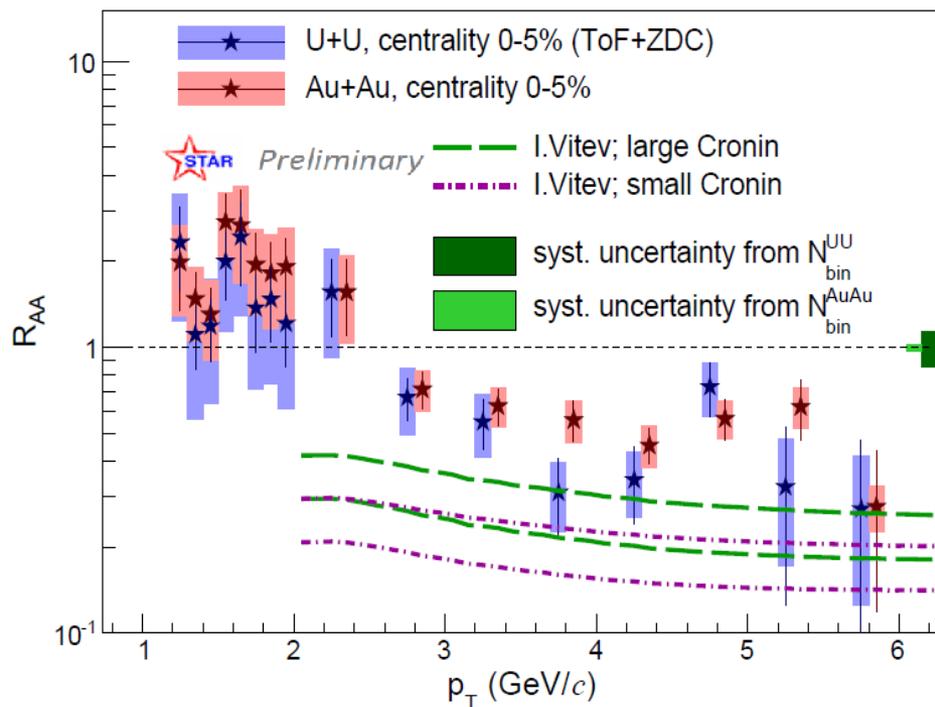
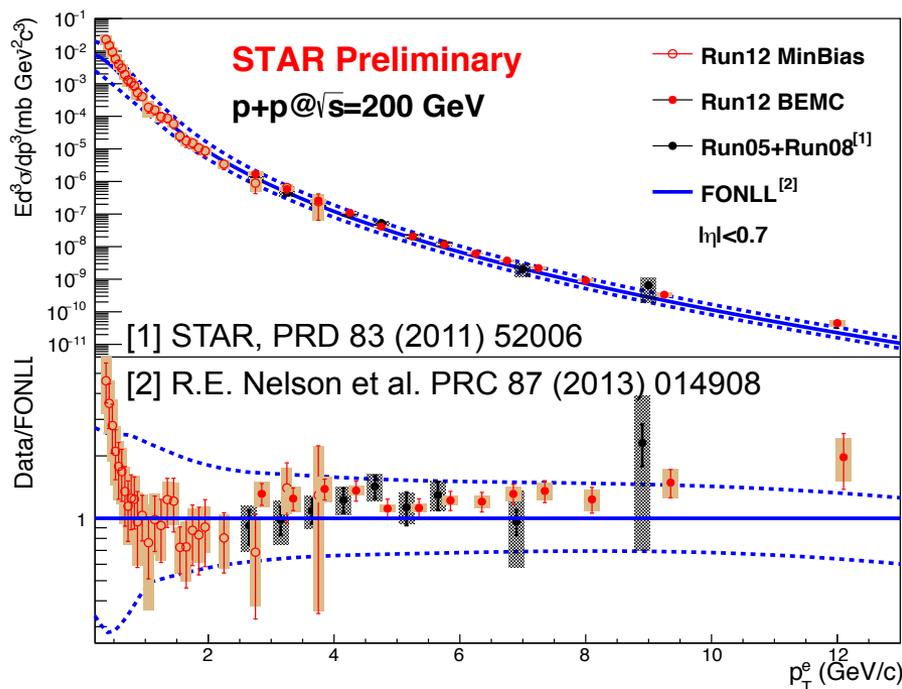
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# Comparison with Theory



Models with charm diffusion coefficient of 2-11 describe STAR  $D^0$   $R_{AA}$  and  $v_2$  results. Lattice calculations are consistent with these values inferred from data.

# Electrons from Heavy Flavor Decay



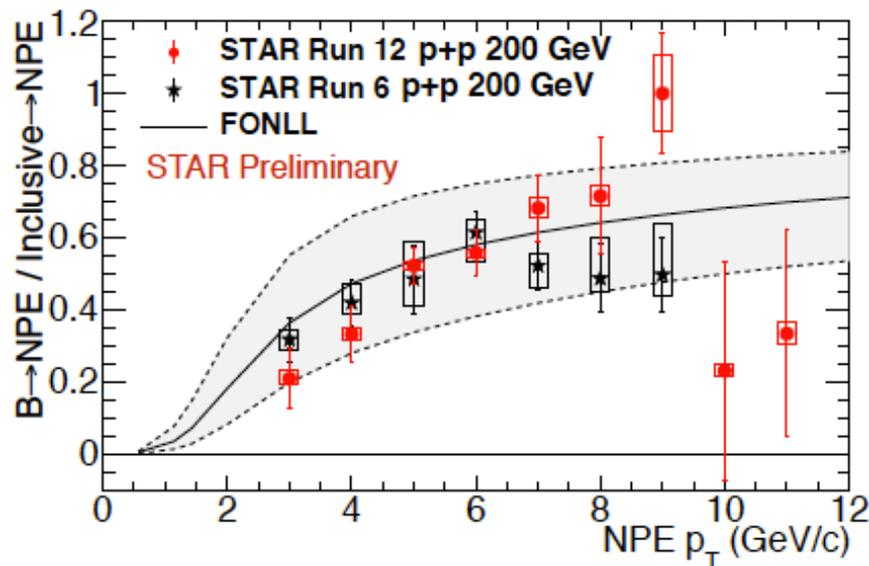
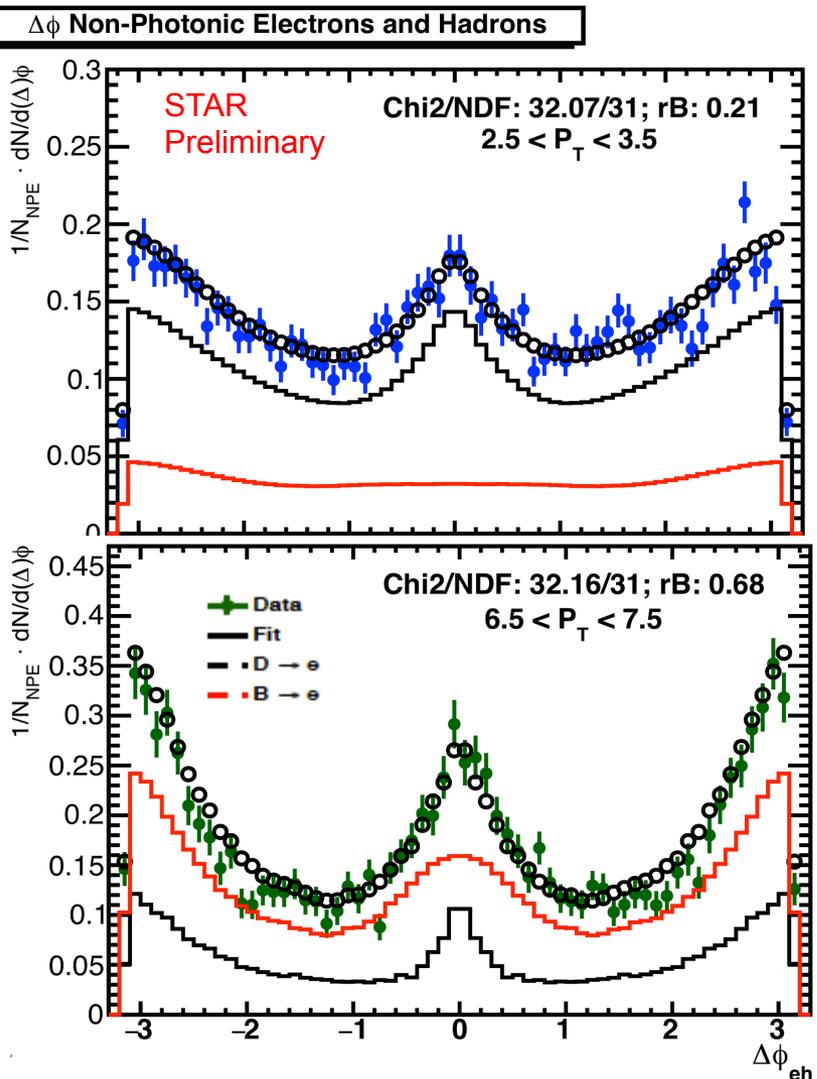
U+U and Au+Au use the same improved p+p reference from 2012 data

NPE  $R_{AA}$  in the 0-5% most central 200 GeV Au+Au and 193 GeV U+U collisions are consistent within uncertainties.

# Separate D and B-decayed Electrons

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STAR Run6: PRL 105 (2010) 202301



- $B \rightarrow e$  contributions in p+p 200 GeV obtained from e-h correlations; consistent with FONLL calculation
- Studies with the HFT in p+p and Au+Au 200 GeV collisions underway

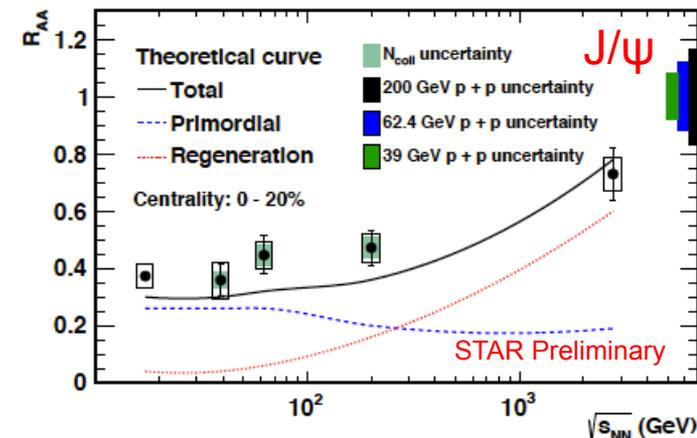
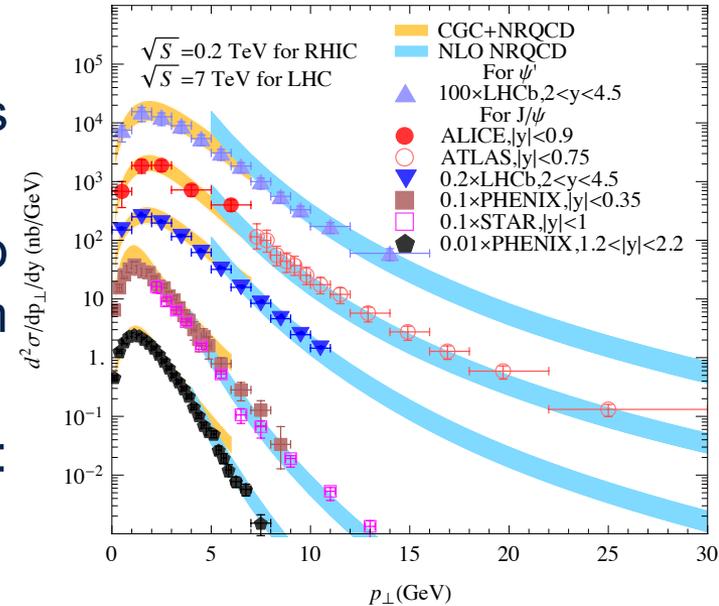
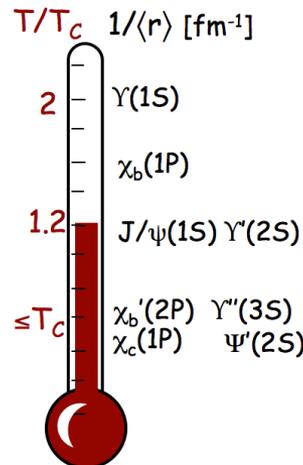
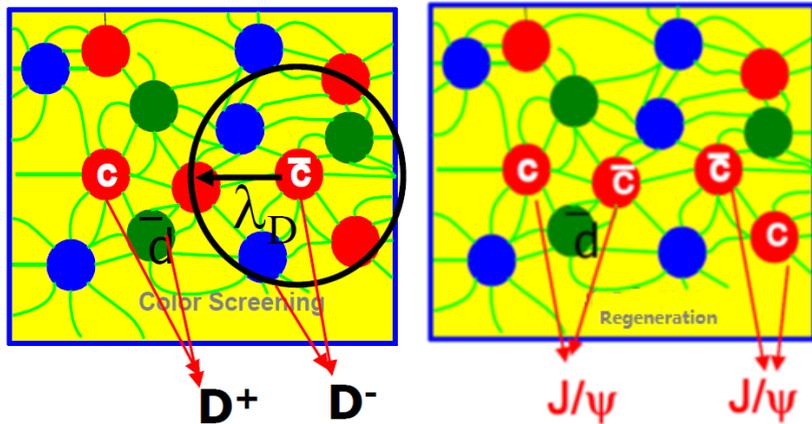
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# Quarkonium Production

## Quarkonium Thermometer

- Production mechanism in hadron collisions not fully understood – CEM, CSM, NRQCD
- Compare AA with pp: dissociation due to color screening, regeneration from uncorrelated heavy quarks, CNM effects
- Compare different quarkonium states: sequential melting – QGP thermometer

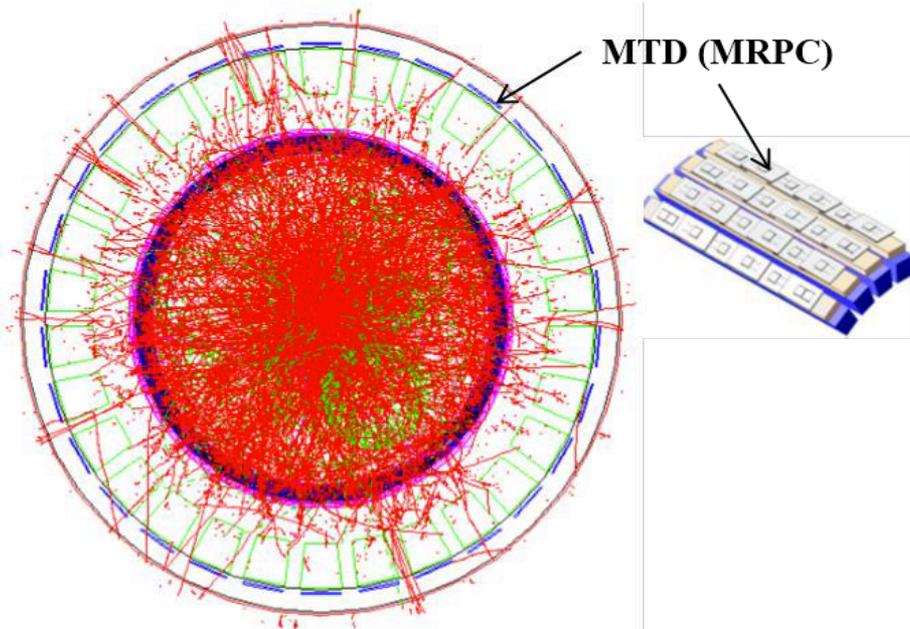


Y.Q. Ma, R. Venugopalan, PRL 113 (2014) 192301

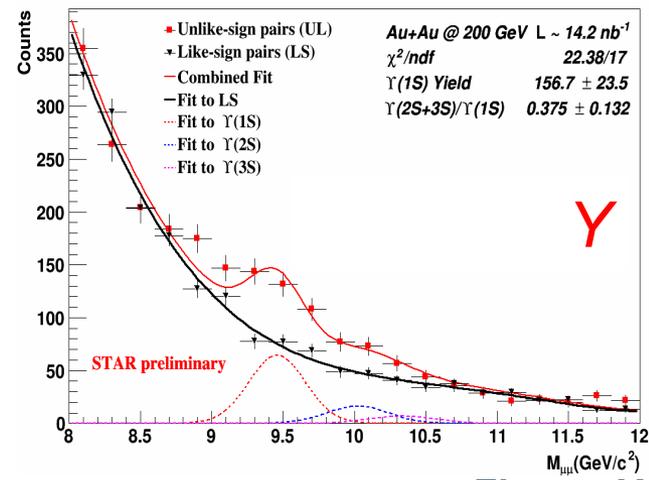
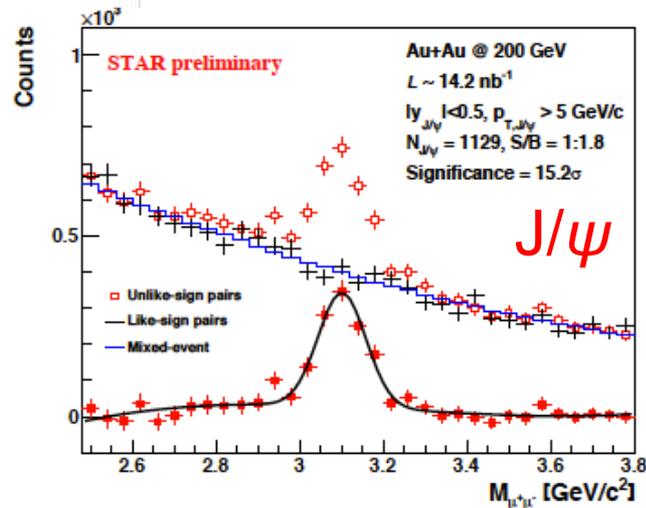
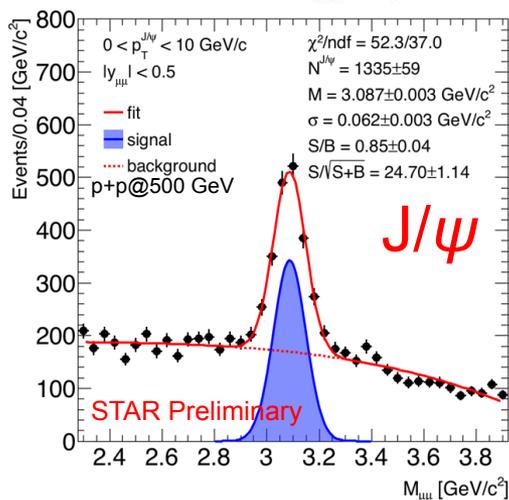
X.Zhao, R.Rapp: PRC 82 (2010) 064905, NA50 PLB 477 (2000) 28, ALICE PLB 734 (2014) 314

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# STAR Muon Telescope Detector



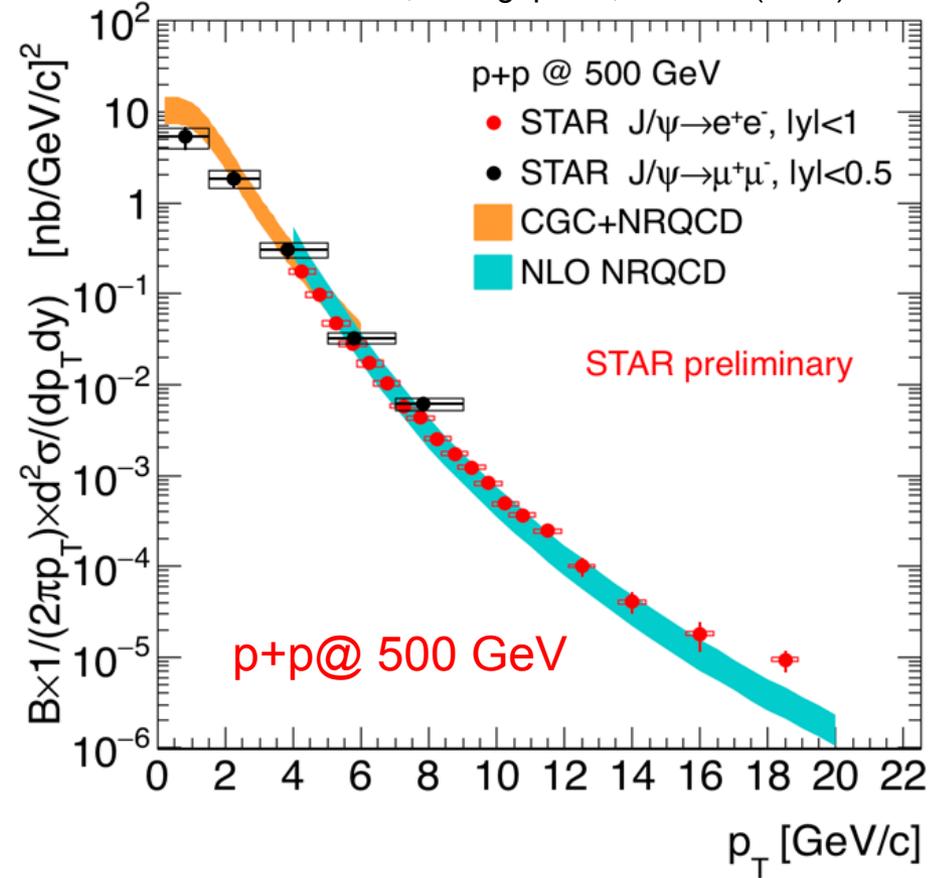
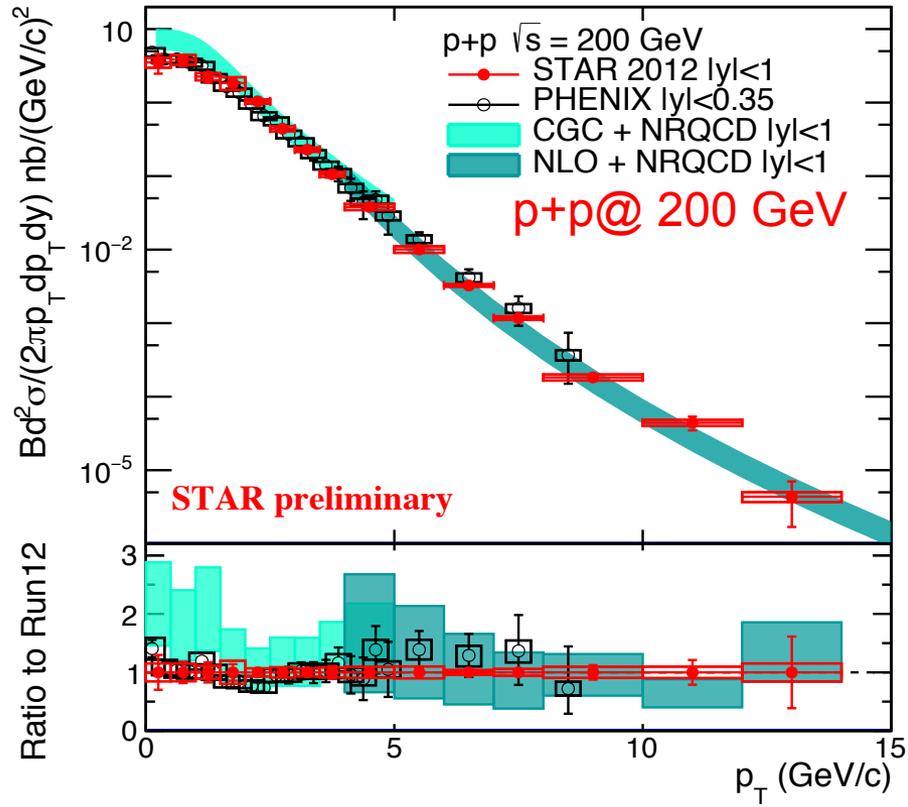
- Precise timing info ( $\sim 100$ ps) for  $p_T > 1.2$  GeV/c; muon online triggering and offline identification
- Recorded 28 pb $^{-1}$ , 120 pb $^{-1}$ , 400 nb $^{-1}$  and 22 nb $^{-1}$  dimuon-triggered 500 GeV p+p, 200 GeV p+p, p+Au and Au+Au data for  $J/\psi$  and  $Y$  studies
- Results presented today are based on 28 pb $^{-1}$  p+p 500 GeV (63% MTD) and 14.2 nb $^{-1}$  Au+Au 200 GeV data.



# J/ψ Production in p+p 200/500 GeV

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PHENIX: PRD82 (2010) 012001  
 NLO NRQCD: Ma et al., PRL106 (2011) 042002  
 CGC+NRQCD: Ma, Venugopalan, PRL113 (2014) 192301

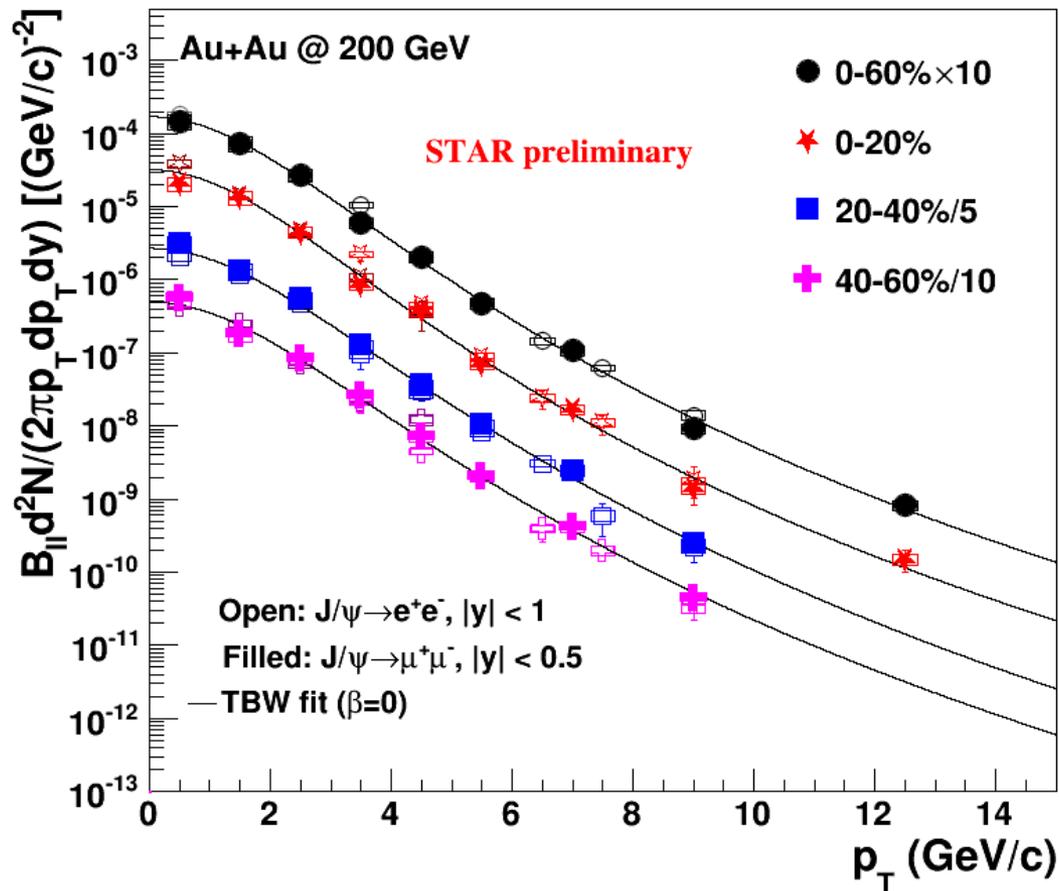


- J/ψ production cross-section measured over wide  $p_T$  range in p+p 200 and 500 GeV;
- 200 GeV results consistent with PHENIX but with better precision for  $p_T > 2$  GeV/c
- NRQCD describes data fairly well; small tension at  $p_T < 1$  GeV/c with CGC+NRQCD

# J/ψ $R_{AA}$ in Au+Au 200 GeV

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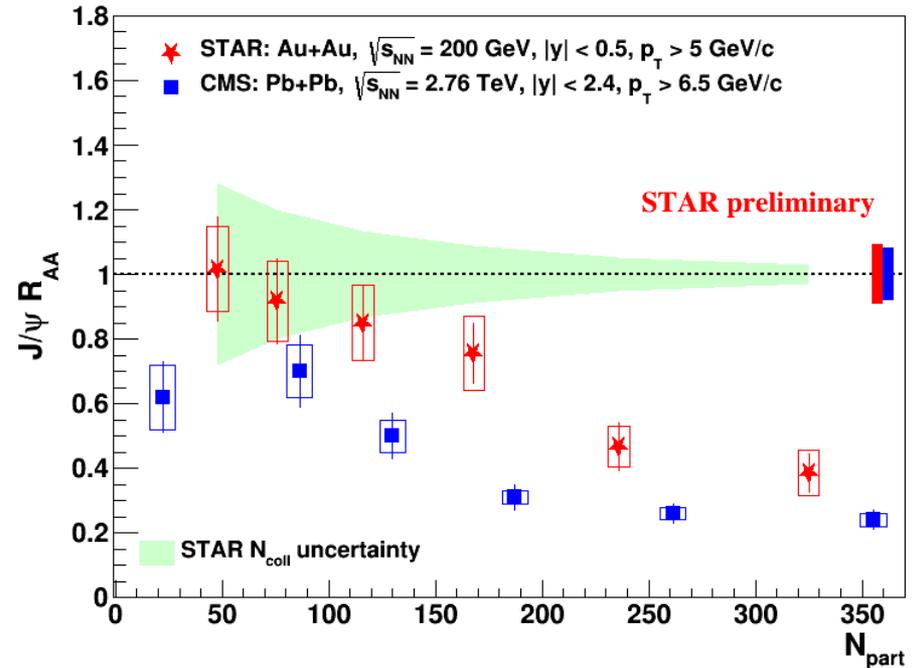
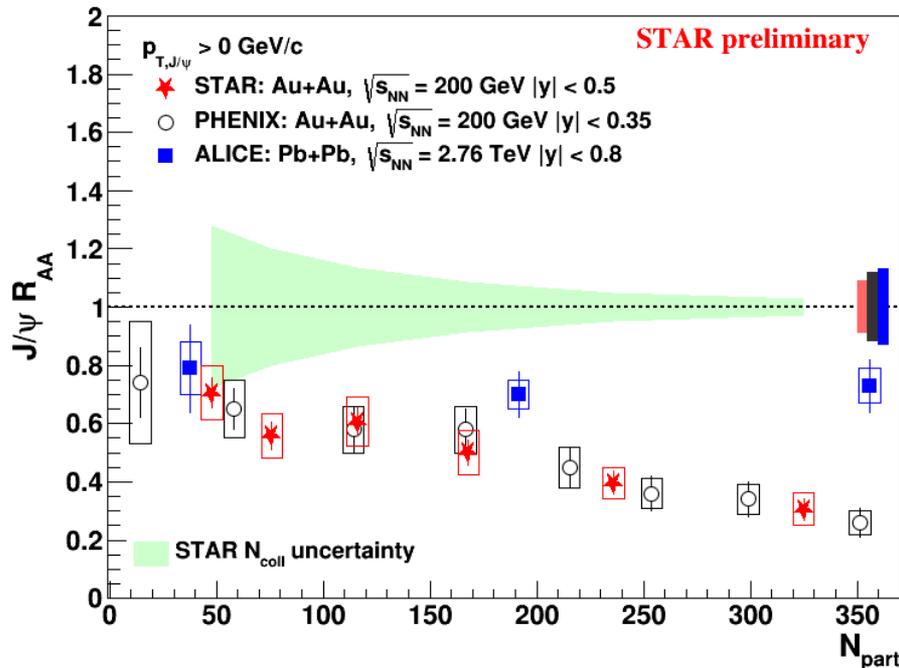
- First J/ψ results from the dimuon channel at mid-rapidity in Au+Au collisions at RHIC
- Results are consistent with STAR published di-electron results

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ALICE : PLB 734 (2014) 314  
 CMS: JHEP 05 (2012) 063  
 PHENIX: PRL 98 (2007) 232301



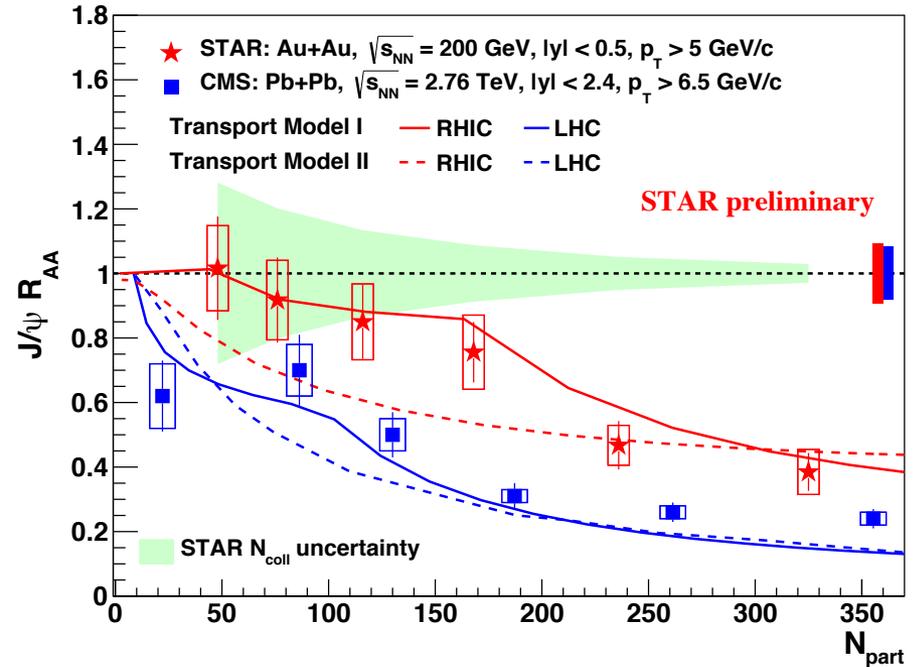
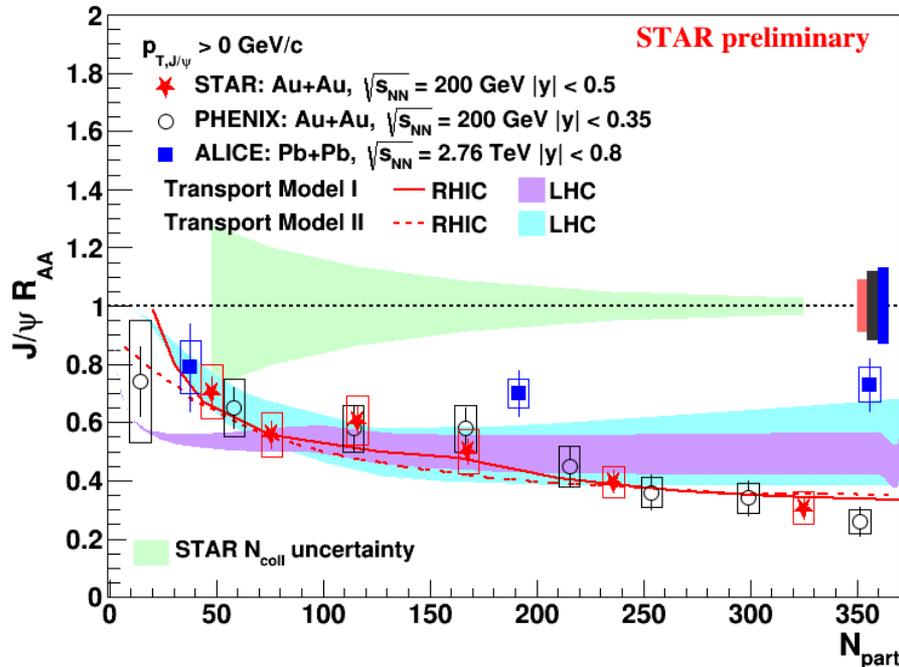
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Transport model:  
 Model I at RHIC: PLB 678 (2009) 72  
 Model I at LHC: PRC 89 (2014) 054911  
 Model II at RHIC: PRC 82 (2010) 064905  
 Model II at LHC: NPA 859 (2011) 114

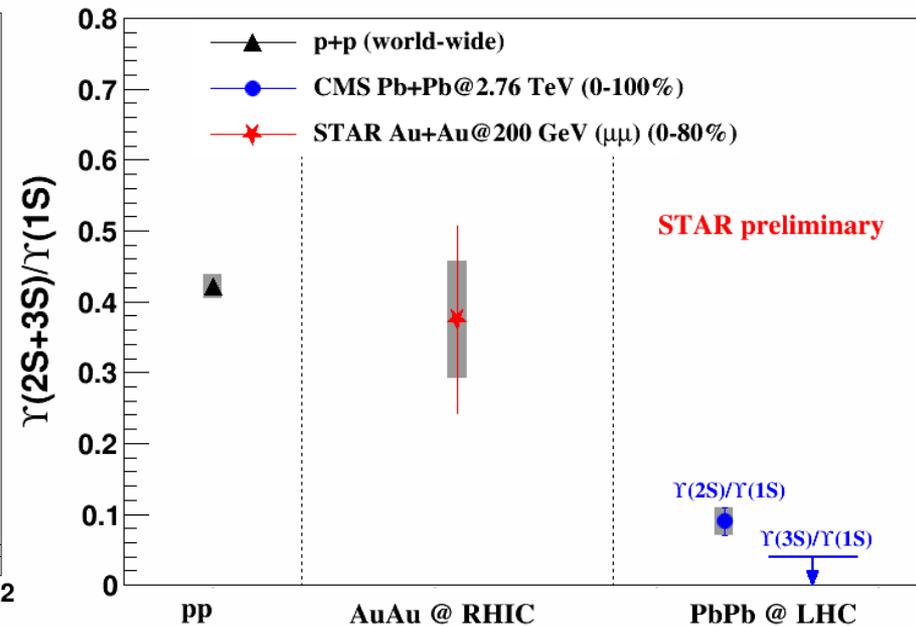
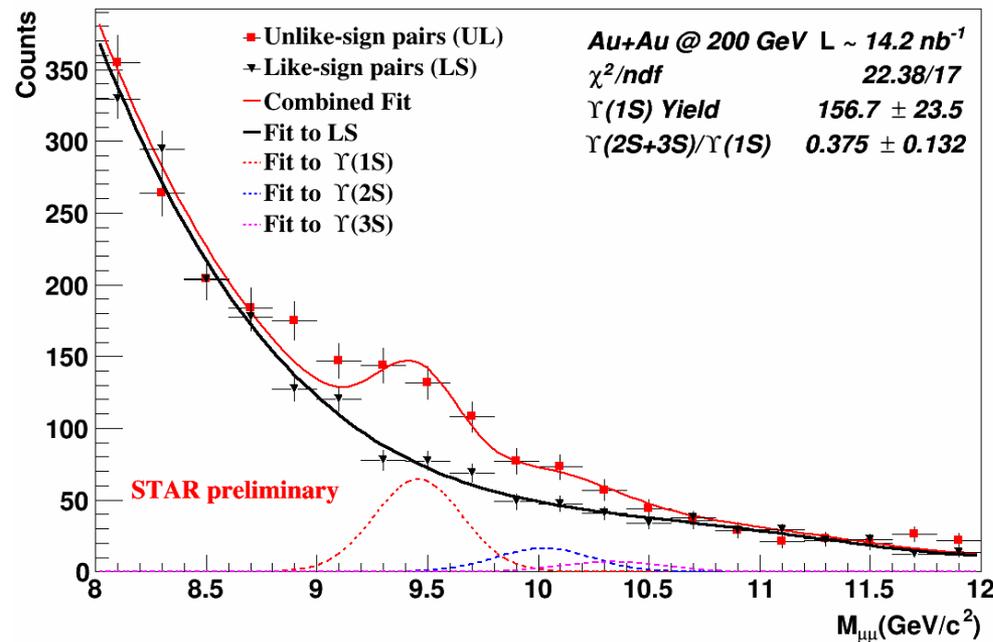


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- Transport models with dissociation and recombination qualitatively describe data

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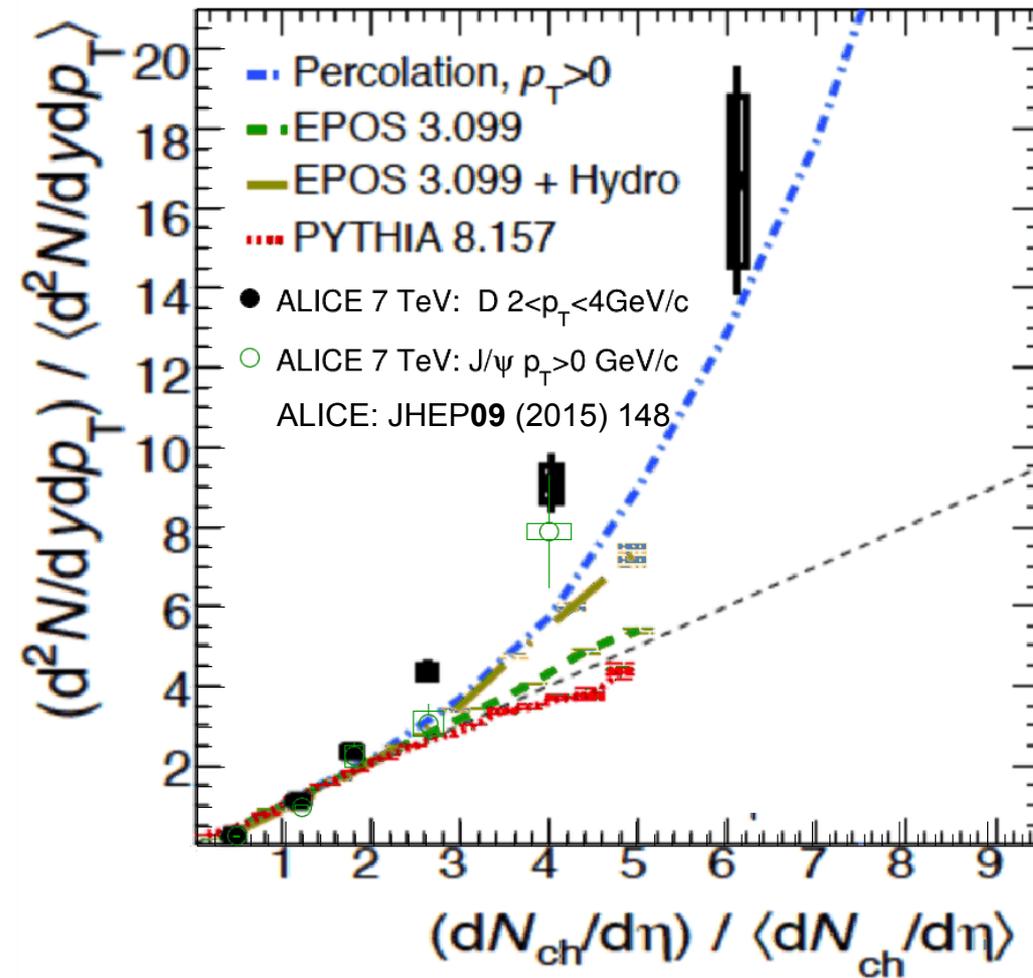
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- Signs of  $\Upsilon(2S+3S)$  from the di-muon channel
- Challenging for di-electron channel due to Bremsstrahlung
- Hint of less melting of  $\Upsilon(2S+3S)$  at RHIC than at LHC ?

# J/ψ Yield vs Event Activity ( $N_{ch}$ )



Faster-than-linear rise of open charm and J/ψ production vs  $N_{ch}$  in p+p @ 7 TeV

- **Percolation model:** exchange color sources in collisions. High energy density suppresses soft processes more than hard processes  
 **$N_{hard}$  rise faster than  $N_{ch}$  at LHC**

- **EPOS3:** Gribov-Regge multiple parton scattering for initial conditions,

$$N_{hard} \propto N_{ch} \propto N_{MPI}$$

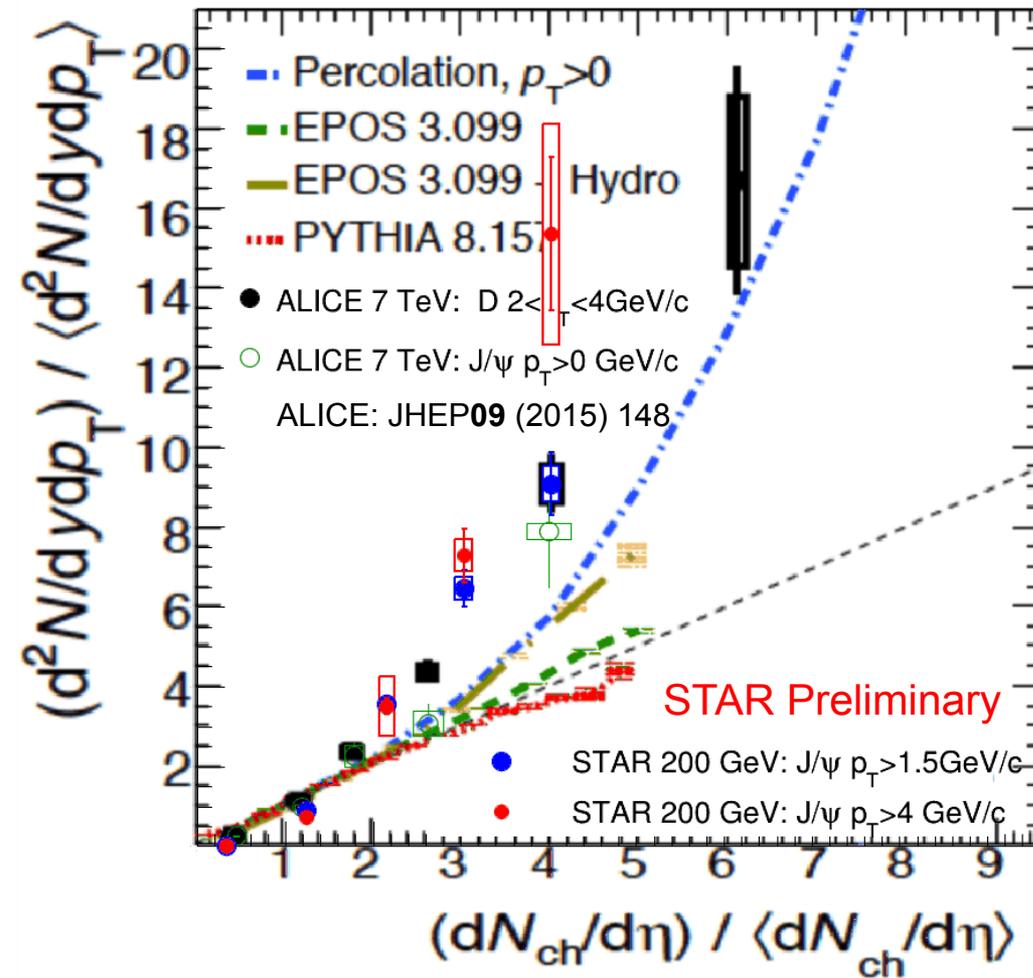
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- **PYTHIA8:** including Multiple-Parton-Interaction`

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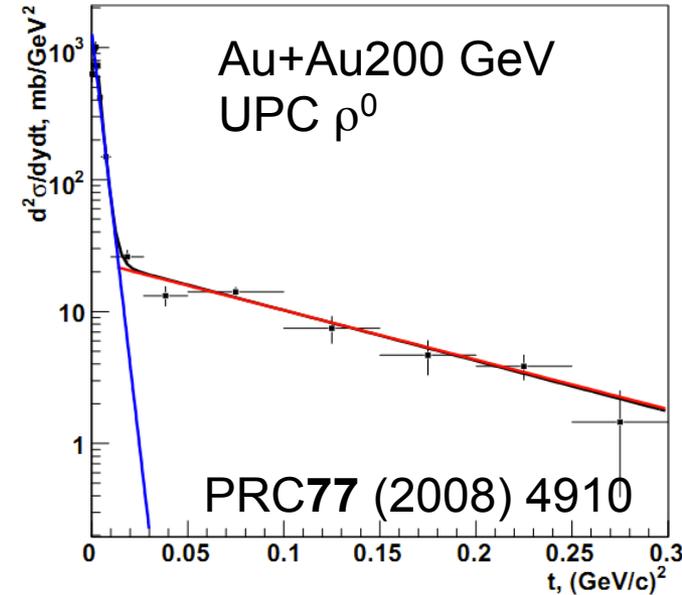
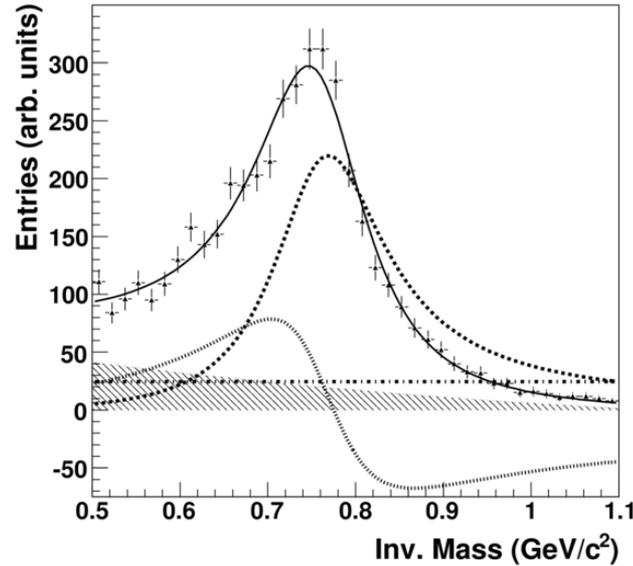
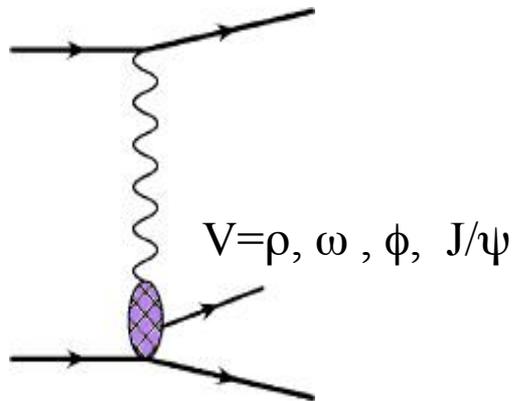
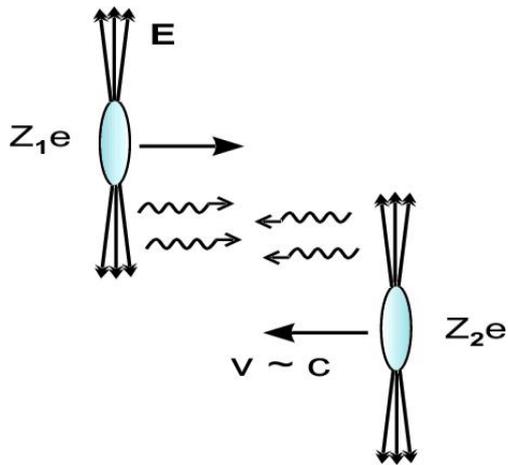
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 Expect strong dependence on collision energy:  
 $\langle dN_{ch}/d\eta \rangle \sim 3$  at 200 GeV  
 $\sim 6$  at 7 TeV  
 $N_{hard}$  rise linearly as  $N_{ch}$  at RHIC?

Stronger-than-linear rise following the same trend at 200 GeV and 7 TeV, probably not a hot medium effect but something more fundamental

# $\rho$ Meson Photoproduction in UPC

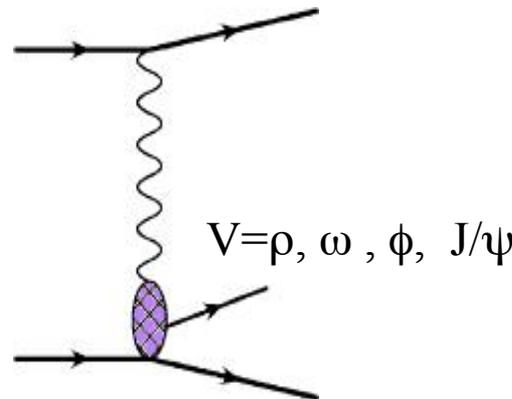
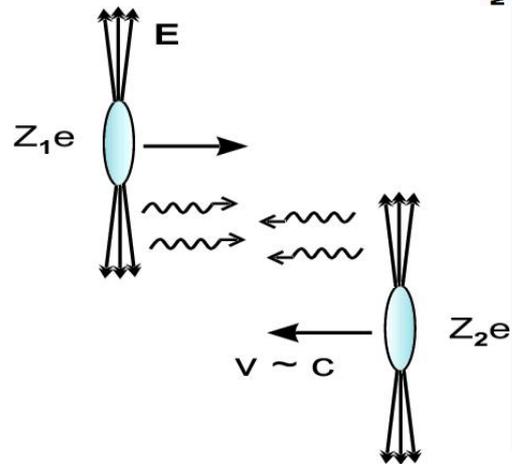


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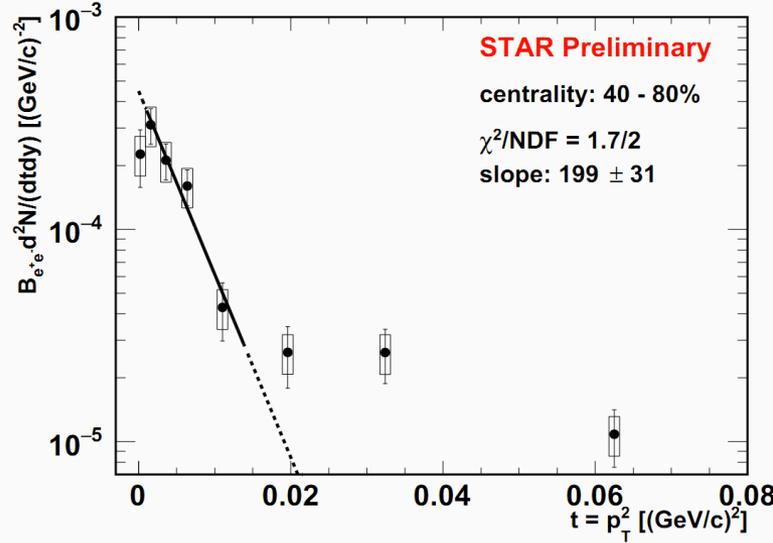
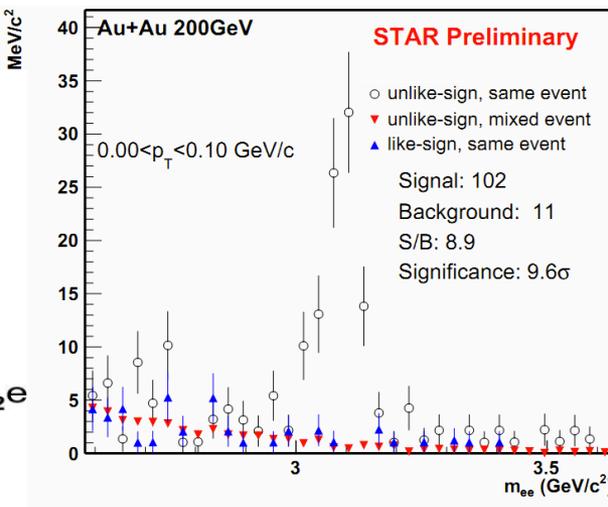
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# J/ψ Photoproduction in Peripheral Collision?

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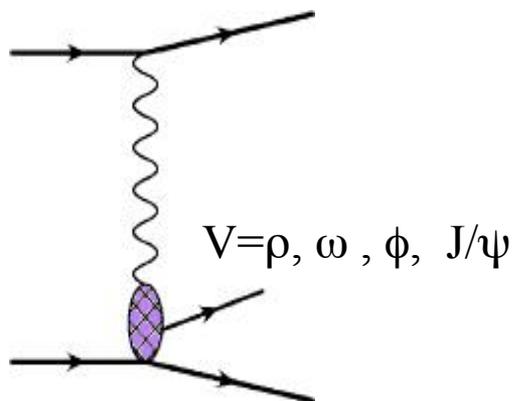
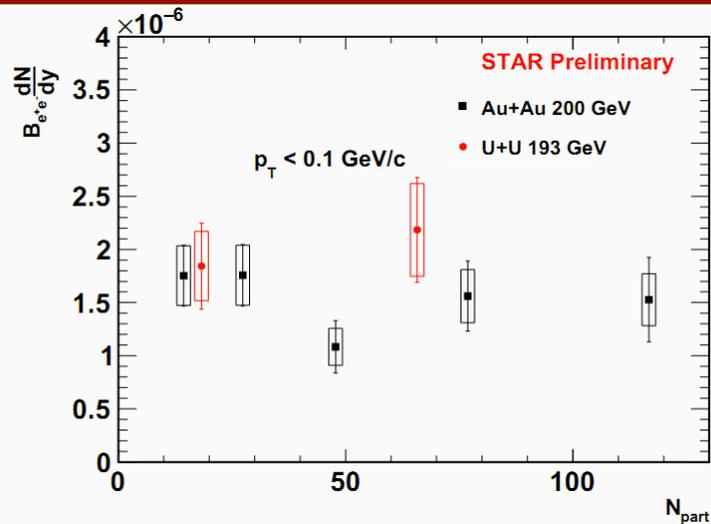
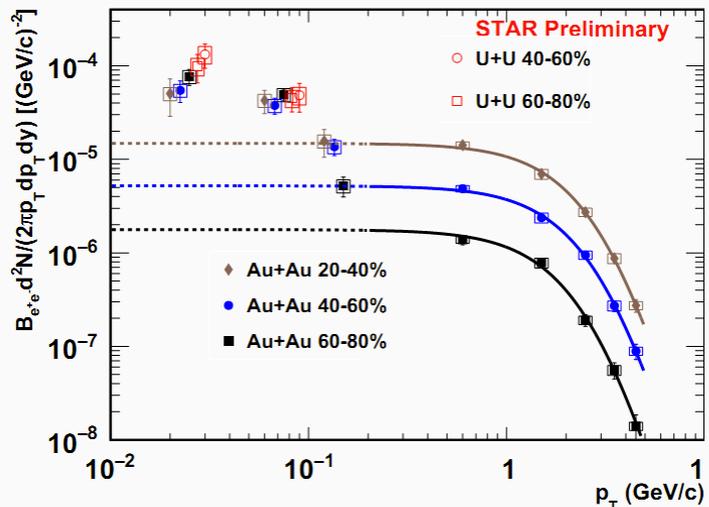
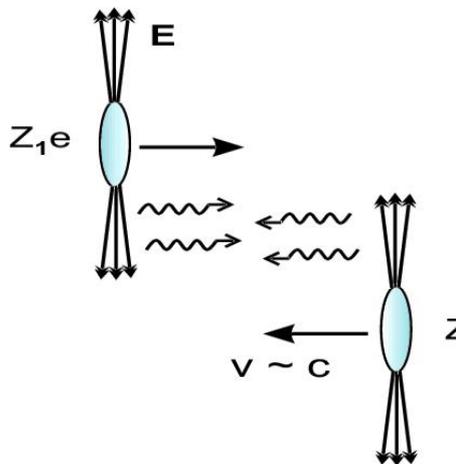
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  - Similar slope as UPC:  $199 \pm 31(\text{GeV}/c)^{-2}$
  - UPC in STARLIGHT:  $196 (\text{GeV}/c)^{-2}$

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  - **Production cross-section independent of centrality**

Photon-nucleus interactions

**A challenge for theory but a new opportunity for QGP studies?**

# Summary and Outlook

- First results from the HFT and MTD
  - $D^0 R_{AA}$  and  $v_2$  in Au+Au collisions: favor model calculation with charm quark diffusion, diffusion coefficient inferred from data consistent with Lattice QCD
  - HF-decayed electron production: p+p cross-section described by FONLL,  $R_{AA}$  in 0-5% 200 GeV Au+Au collisions consistent with 193 GeV U+U collisions
  - $J/\psi R_{AA}$  in Au+Au collisions: larger (smaller)  $R_{AA}$  at low (high)  $p_T$  than LHC because of stronger recombination (dissociation) at LHC
  - $Y$  in Au+Au collisions: hint for less  $Y(2S+3S)$  suppression at RHIC than LHC
  - $J/\psi$  yield vs event activity in p+p collisions: faster-than-linear trend also observed at 200 GeV similar to 7 TeV, probably not a hot medium effect
  - Very low  $p_T$   $J/\psi$  enhancement in peripheral Au+Au and U+U collisions: independent of centrality, consistent with coherent photoproduction
  - Not shown:  $D^0 v_3$  (M.Lomnitz),  $D_s R_{AA}$  (Z.Long),  $J/\psi v_2$  (T.Todoroki)
- More exciting results are expected
  - Factor of 2-4 in  $D^0$  significance with new PXL offline reconstruction software
  - Factor of 2 (4) Au+Au data recorded on tape for the MTD (HFT)
  - p+p and p+Au data recorded on tape for precise p+p and CNM studies

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- Zhou, Long June 28, 14:00 Joseph Wood Krutch Theatre  
[D<sub>s</sub><sup>±</sup> meson production in Au+Au collisions at  \$\sqrt{s\_{NN}}=200\$  GeV in STAR](#)
- Zha, Wangmei June 28 16:20 Room 104  
[Excess of J/ψ yield at very low p<sub>T</sub> in Au+Au collisions at  \$\sqrt{s\_{NN}}=200\$  GeV and U+U at  \$\sqrt{s\_{NN}}=193\$  GeV with STAR](#)
- Todoroki, Takahito June 28 17:40 Room 104  
[Quarkonium measurements via the di-muon decay channel in p+p and Au+Au collisions with the STAR experiment](#)
- Lomnitz, Michael June 30 09:20 Room 102  
[Measurement of D<sup>0</sup> elliptic and triangular flow in Au+Au collisions at  \$\sqrt{s\_{NN}}=200\$  GeV at RHIC](#)
- Li, Wei June 30 11:20 Room 104  
[Measurement of Bottom contribution to the non-photonic electron production in p+p collisions at  \$\sqrt{s}=500\$  GeV at STAR](#)