Quarkonium Production in

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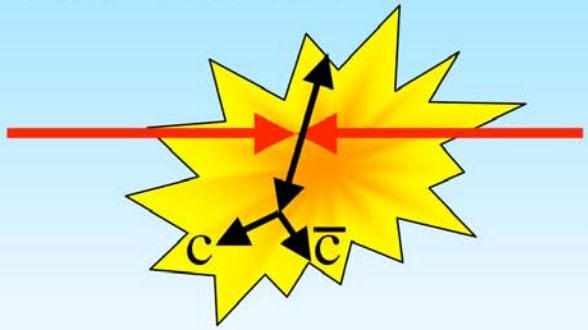
Quarkonia in the Medium

- Quarkonia Production -

  hard scattering processes result in the production of heavy quark pairs that interact with the collision medium



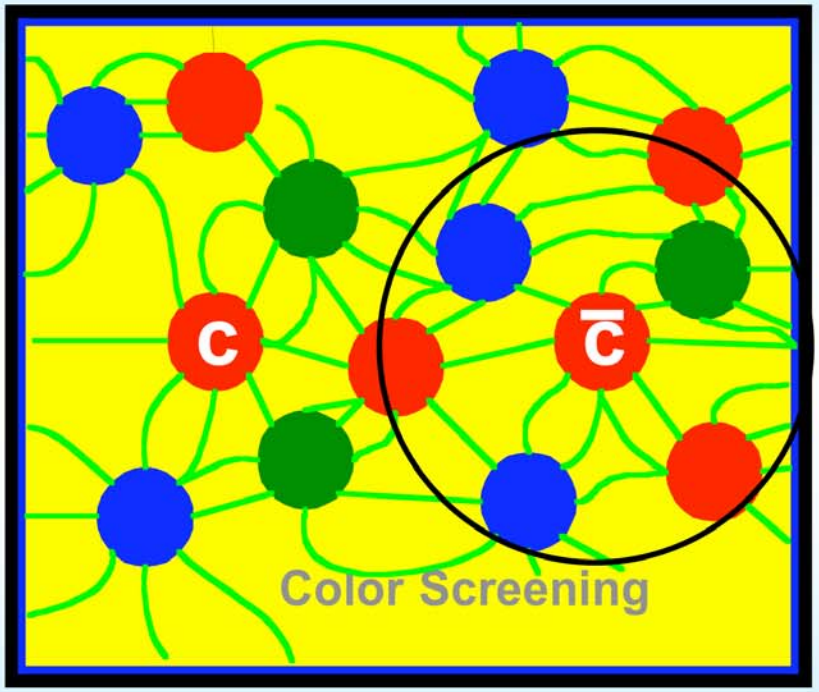
- In medium interactions convey information about the fundamental properties of the medium itself

- Competing effects are predicted to govern J/ψ production
  - J/ψ color screening:
    - Suppression of J/ψ yield with increasing collision centrality
  - J/ψ recombination:
    - Increased J/ψ yield with increasing collision centrality
    - Narrowed J/ψ rapidity and p_T distributions with increasing centrality
  - Shadowing, Heavy quark energy loss, Normal nuclear absorption, etc

J/ψ Suppression Mechanism

- Suppression Models:
  - Heavy quarkonia are formed only during the initial hard nucleon-nucleon collisions
  - Subsequent interactions only result in additional loss of yield

- Color Screening:
  - Color charge of one quark masked by the surrounding quarks
  - Prevents cc-bar binding in the interaction region
  - Characterized by the Debye screening radius (r_D)
  - If the screening radius is smaller than the J/ψ radius then the quarks are effectively masked from one another

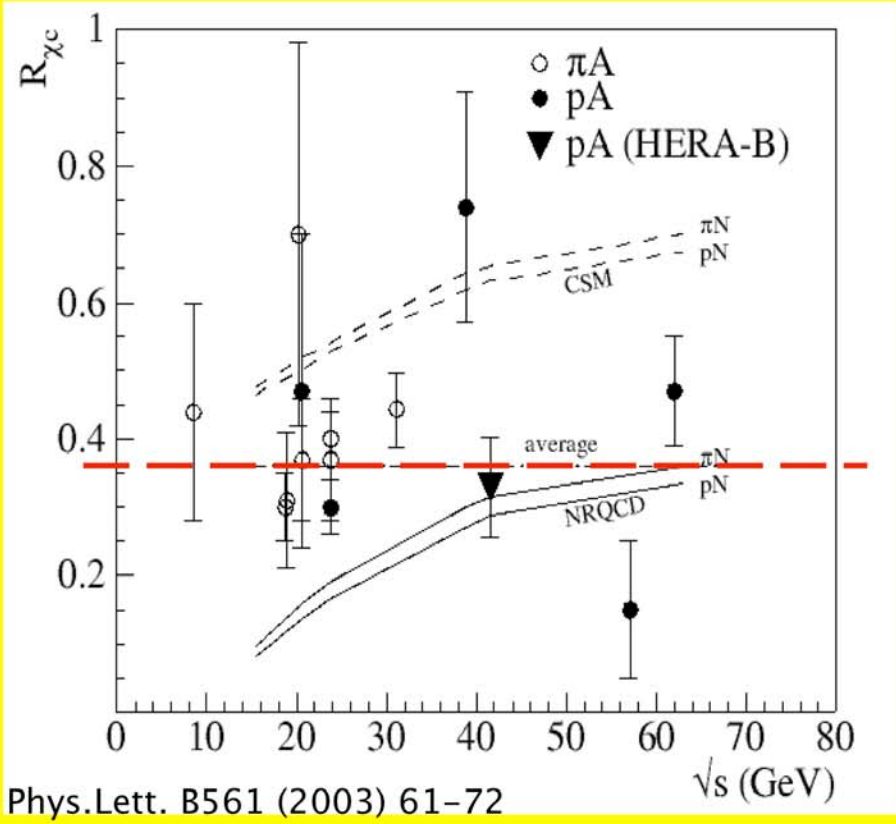


J/ψ Feeddown Effect

- J/ψ yield is populated from both direct production and feeddown from the higher resonance states
- Relative yield from each source experimentally found:
  - 60% direct production
  - 30% χ_c feeddown
  - 10% ψ' feeddown
- Medium conditions determine whether each state exists in the bound form

$$R(\chi_c) = \frac{N_{\chi_c} * (A\varepsilon_{J/\psi} / A\varepsilon_{\chi_c})}{N_{J/\psi} * \varepsilon_{\gamma}}$$

$$R(\chi_c) = 0.32 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.04$$



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Sequential Charmonium Dissociation

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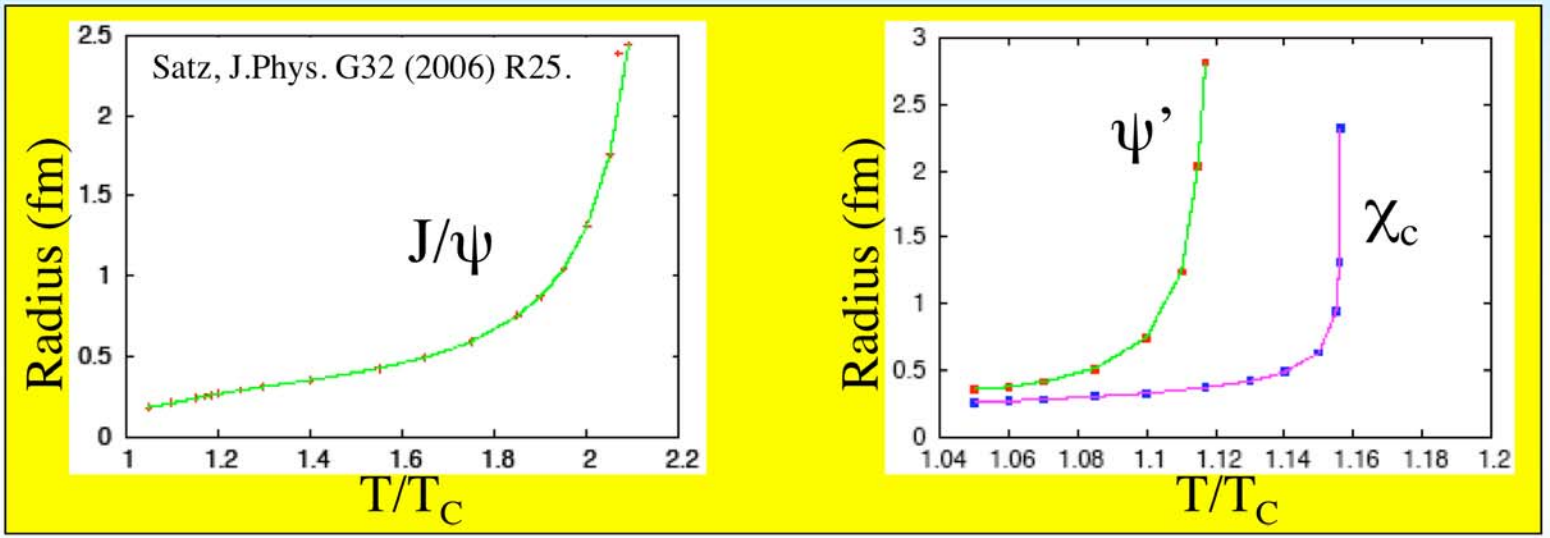

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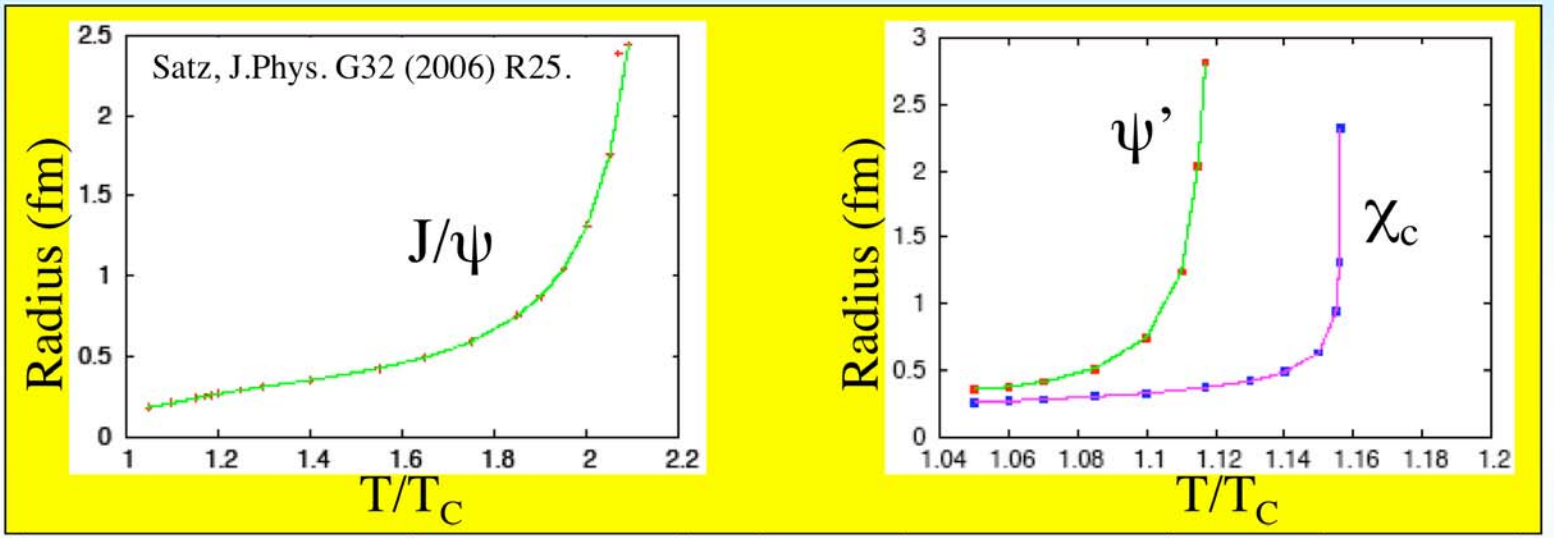
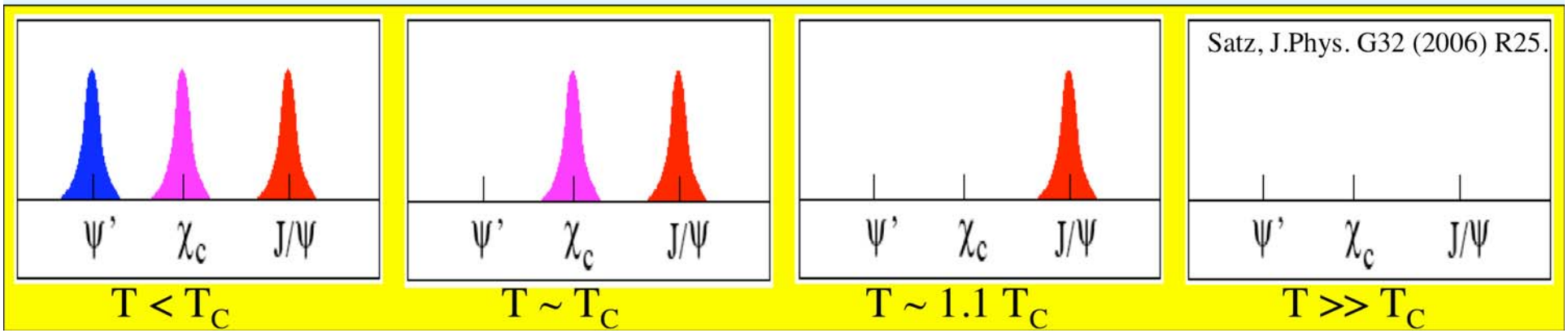
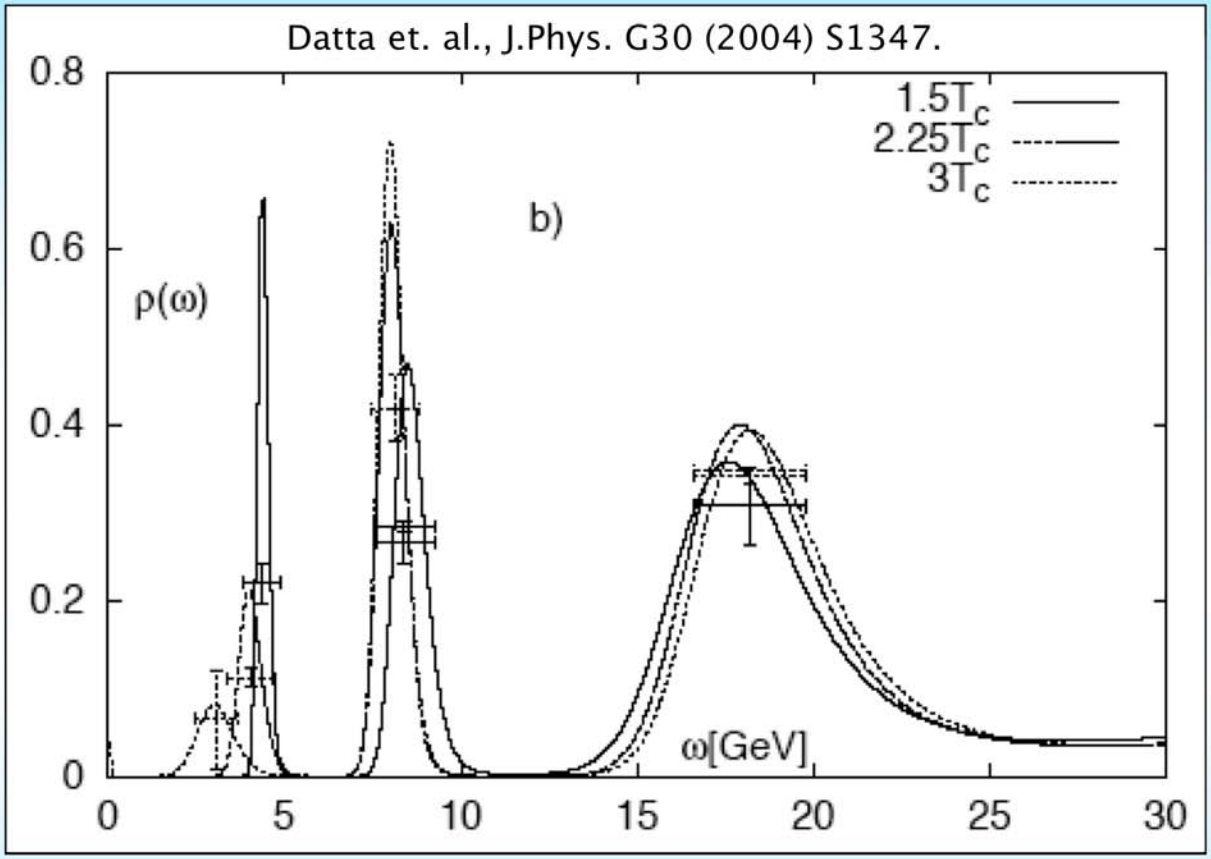


As the temperature increases the bound states melt ∴ charmonium states can serve as a thermodynamic probe of the medium

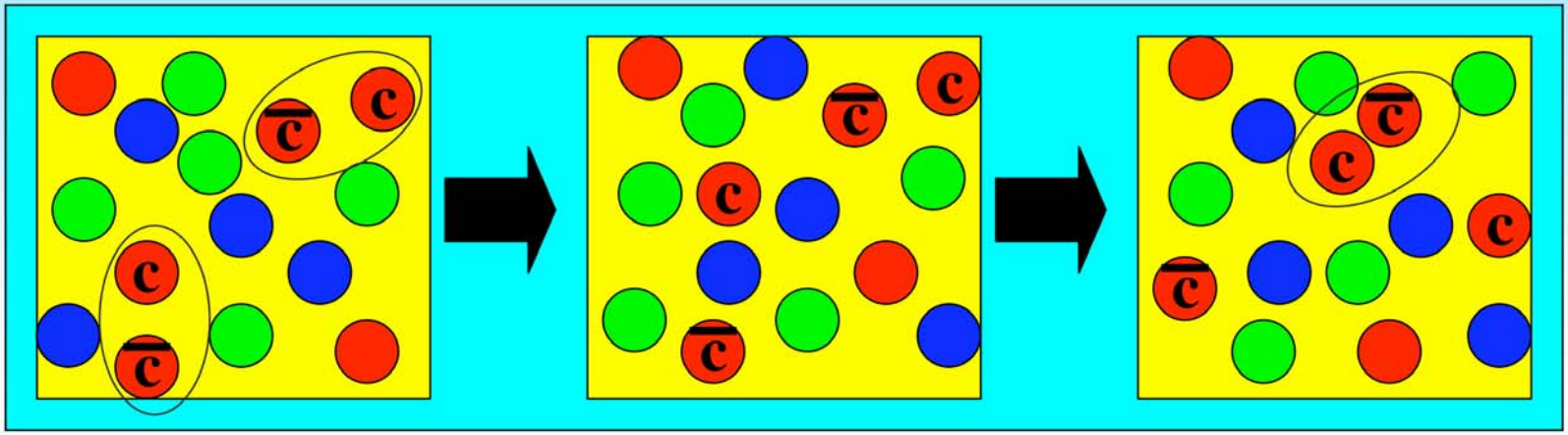


Recent Lattice Calculations



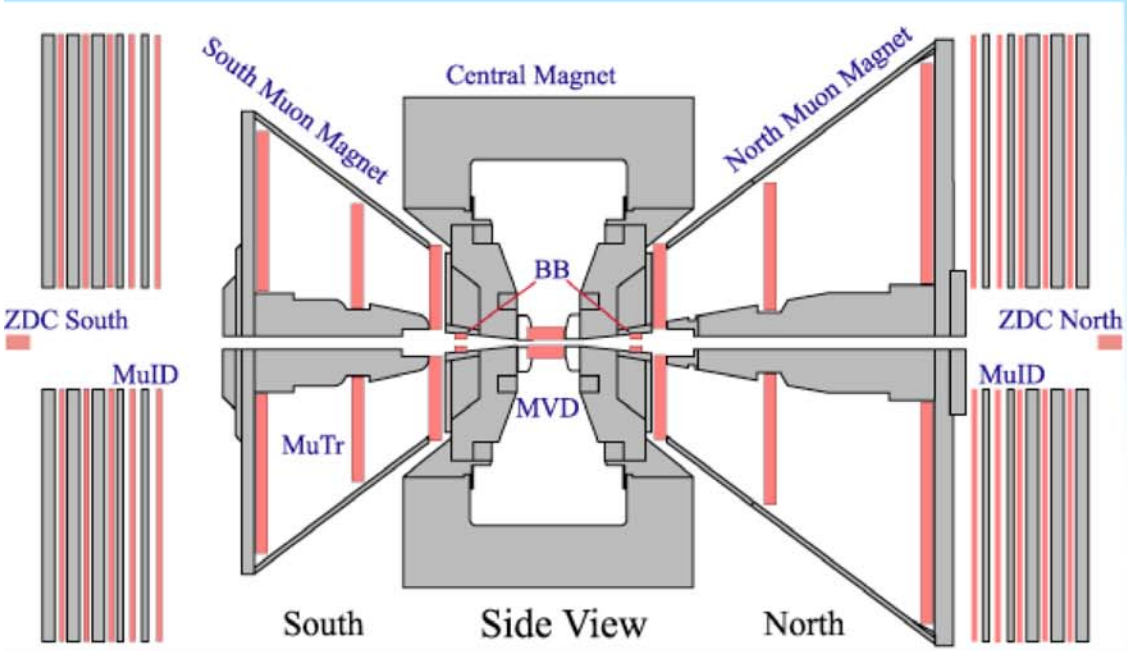
- Temperature dependence of screening radius shows no strong transition at T_c
- No significant reduction in J/ψ mass or peak strength observed up to 1.5 T_c
- J/ψ suppression may not turn on until $T > 2\ T_c$

Recombination Mechanism



- Recombination Models: $c + \bar{c} \leftrightarrow J/\psi + g$
  - In central heavy ion collisions more than one c-cbar pair is formed
    - RHIC: 10-40
    - LHC: 100-200
  - Regeneration of J/ψ pairs possible from independently produced c and cbars
  - Leads to an enhancement of J/ψ yield (or less dramatic suppression)
  - Results in modified rapidity and p_T spectra
- Comments:
  - On what time scale does this process occur?
  - What is a reasonable path length to assume the quarks traverse to recombine?

PHENIX Detector: Muon Arms



$J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$

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$1.2 < |y| < 2.2$

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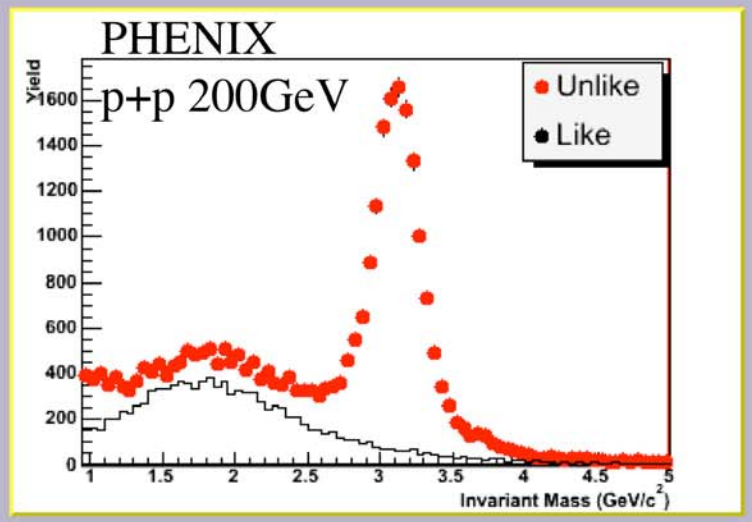

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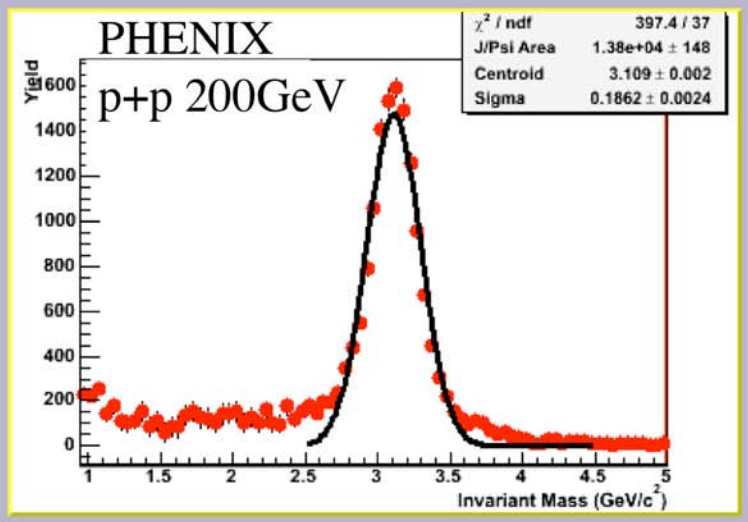

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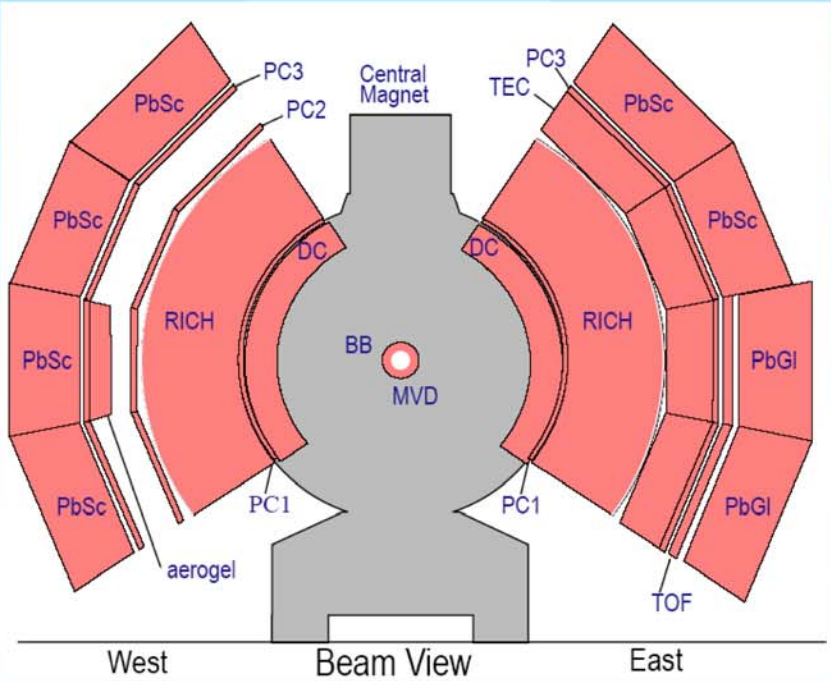

$J/\psi \rightarrow e^+ e^-$

$p > 0.2 GeV/c$

$|\eta| < 0.35$

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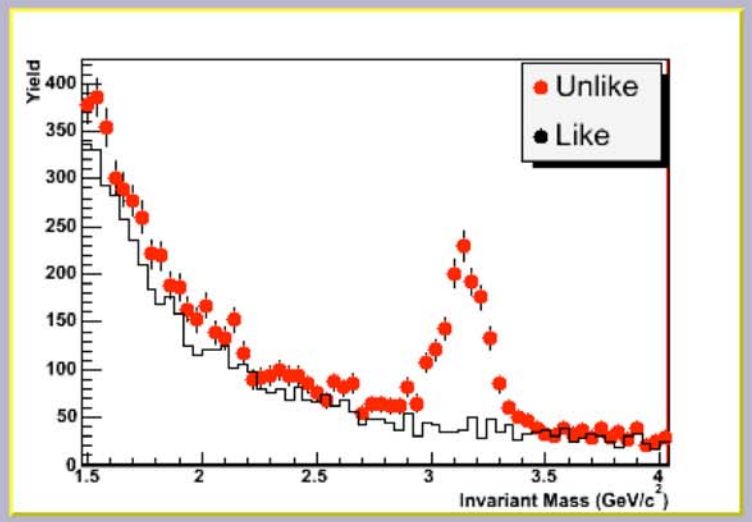

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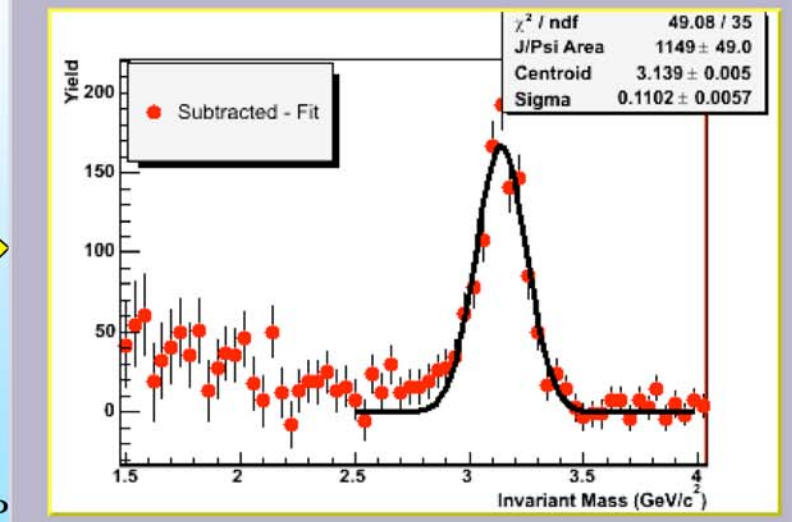


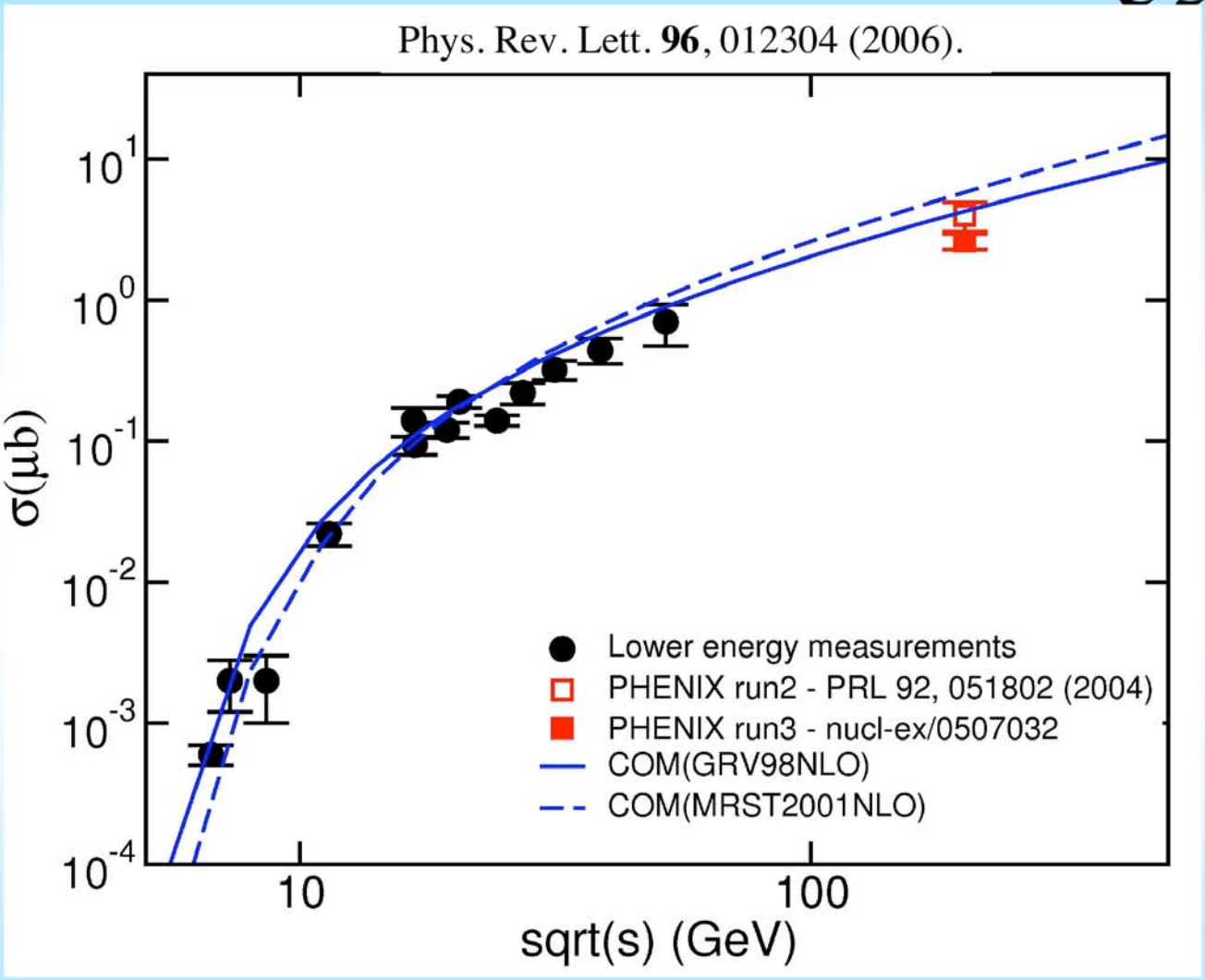
PHENIX Data Compendium

Run	Species	$s^{1/2}$ [GeV]	$\int Ldt$	# J/ψ $\lvert\eta\rvert<0.35$	# J/ ψ $1.2<\lvert y\rvert<2.2$
01	Au+Au	130	1 μb^{-1}		
02	Au+Au	200	24 μb^{-1}	13	
	p+p	200	0.15 pb^{-1}	46	66
03	d+Au	200	2.74 nb^{-1}	264	1656
	p+p	200	0.35 pb^{-1}	130	448
04	Au+Au	200	241 μb^{-1}	578	5168
	Au+Au	62	9 μb^{-1}		
05	Cu+Cu	200	3 nb^{-1}	542	10215
	Cu+Cu	62	0.19 nb^{-1}		146
	Cu+Cu	22.5	2.7 μb^{-1}		
	p+p	200	3.8 pb^{-1}		
06	p+p	200	10.7 pb^{-1}		
	p+p	62	?		

Reference System - p+p

- Provides baseline measurement to which all other collision systems can be compared

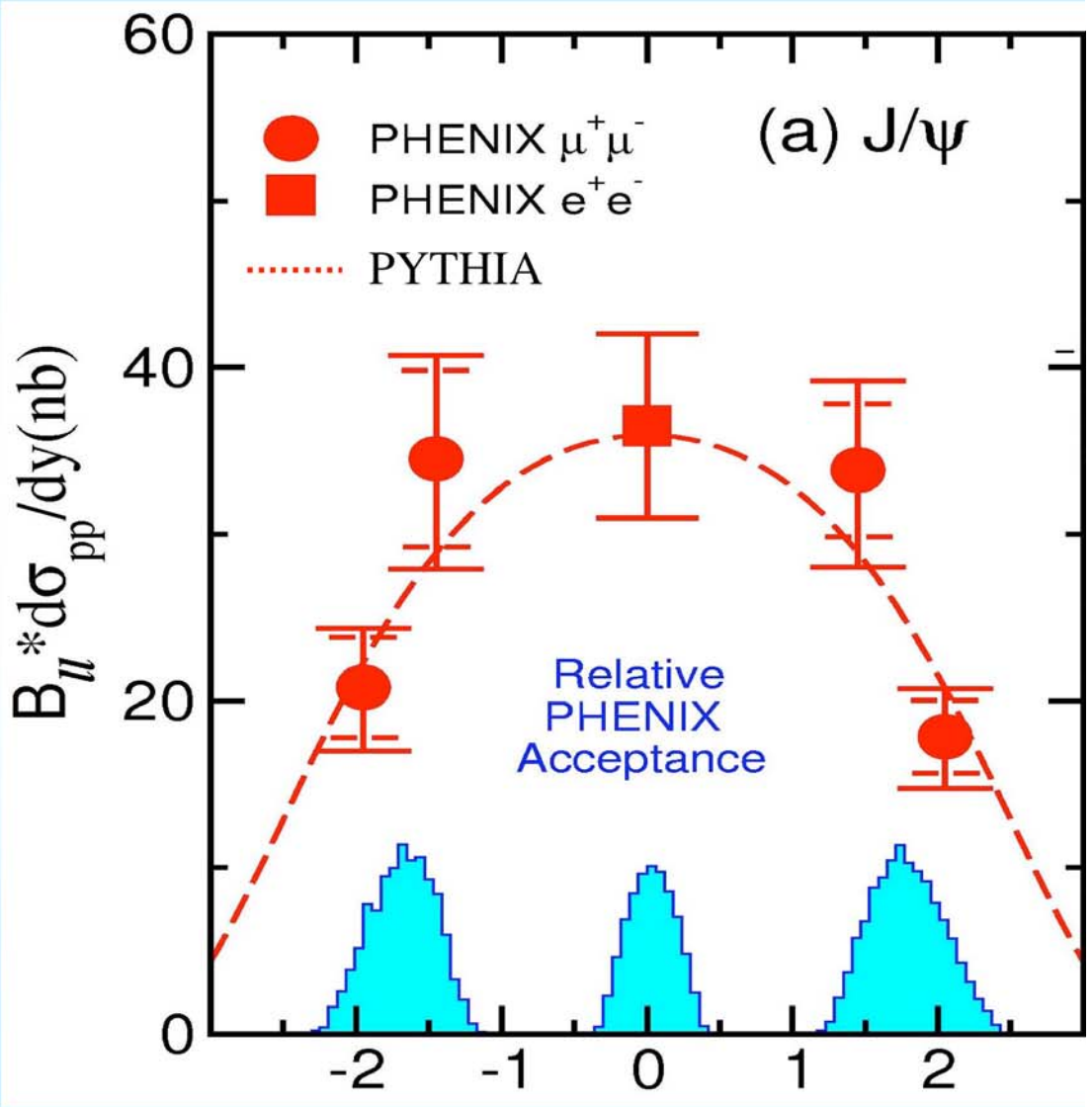
J/ψ Cross Section vs Energy



- Consistent with trend of world's data and with the Color Octet Model calculation

J/ψ Cross Section vs Rapidity

- Good agreement with PYTHIA calculation shape
- Variation in pdf's negligible relative to errors
- x10 higher statistics from run 5
- x30 higher statistics from run 6



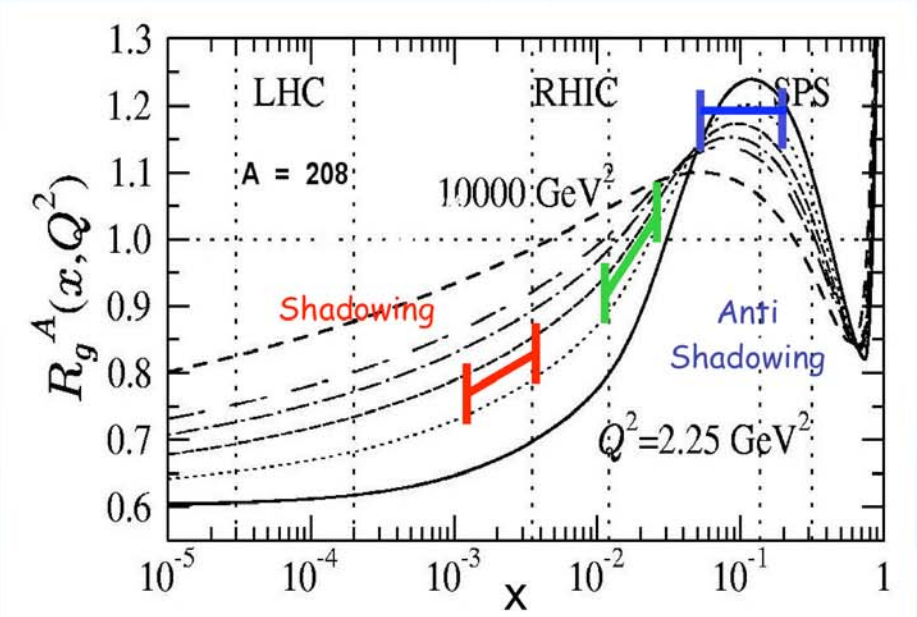
Cold Nuclear Matter - d+Au

- Used to disentangle initial state and nuclear medium effects ⇒ shadowing, anti-shadowing, gluon saturation, nuclear absorption, energy loss, etc.

Cold Nuclear Matter - d+Au

- Absorption of J/ψ by nuclear matter
- Modification of PDF due to gluon shadowing

Models



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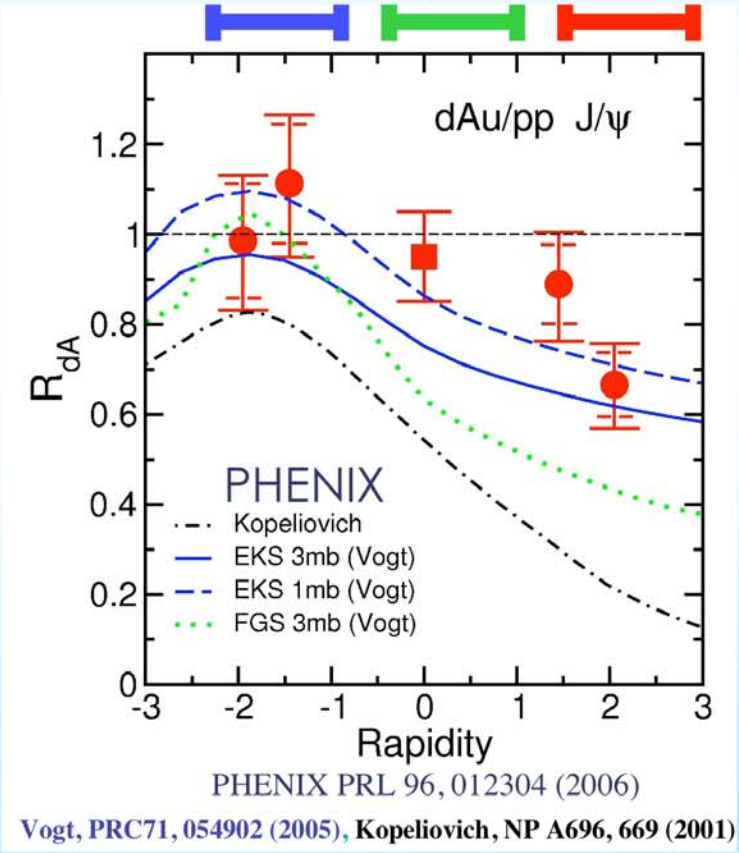

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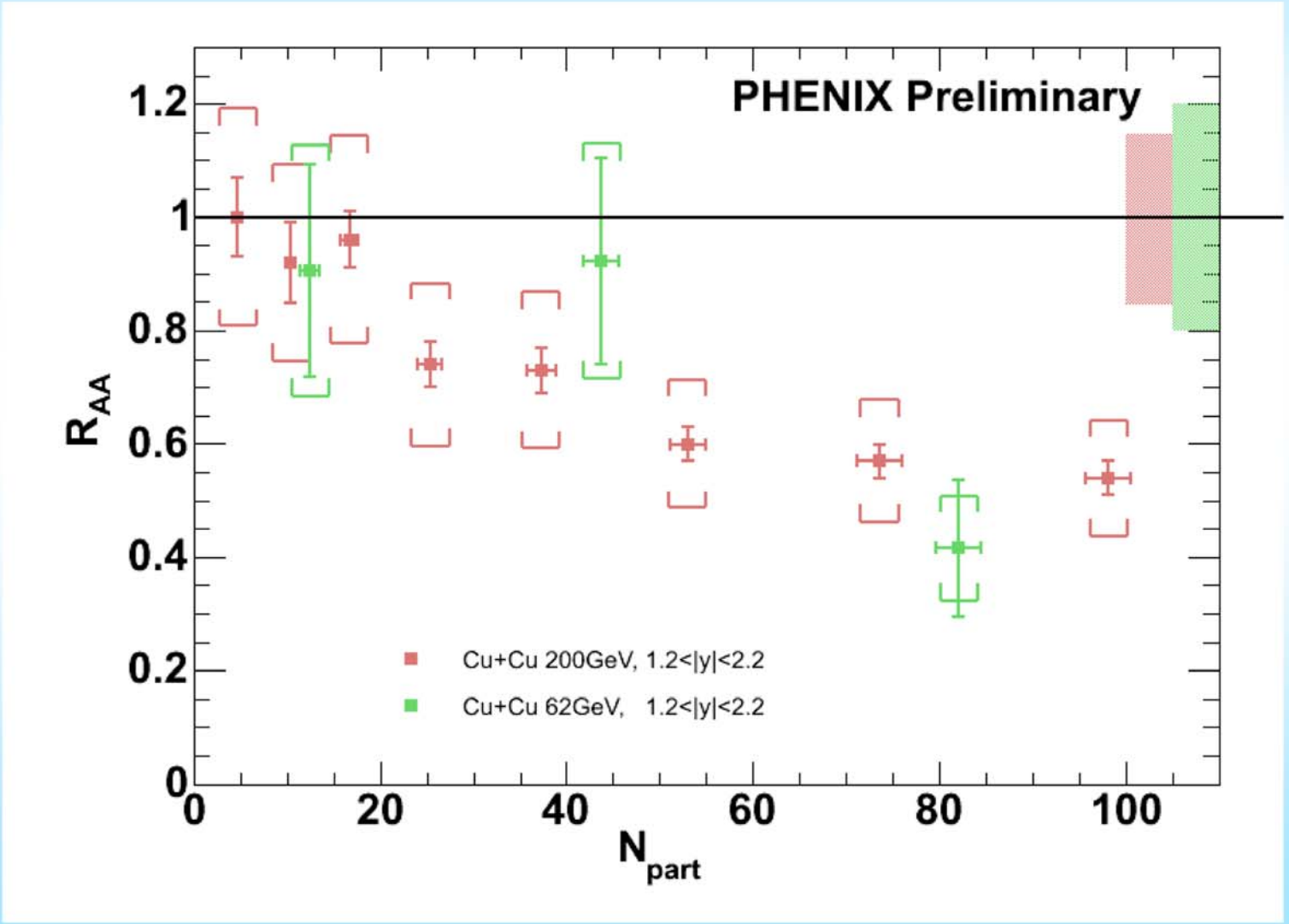
PHENIX data compatible with:
- weak gluon shadowing
- weak absorption : 1 mb (max 3mb)

Heavy Ion Collisions

- Quarkonia act as probe of medium to disentangle competing effects $\Rightarrow$ Color Screening, Comover Interactions, Recombination, Sequential Dissociation, etc

Energy comparison at forward rapidity

Cu+Cu, $\sqrt{s}$ = 200GeV and 62GeV, 1.2 < |y| < 2.2



System size comparison at forward rapidity

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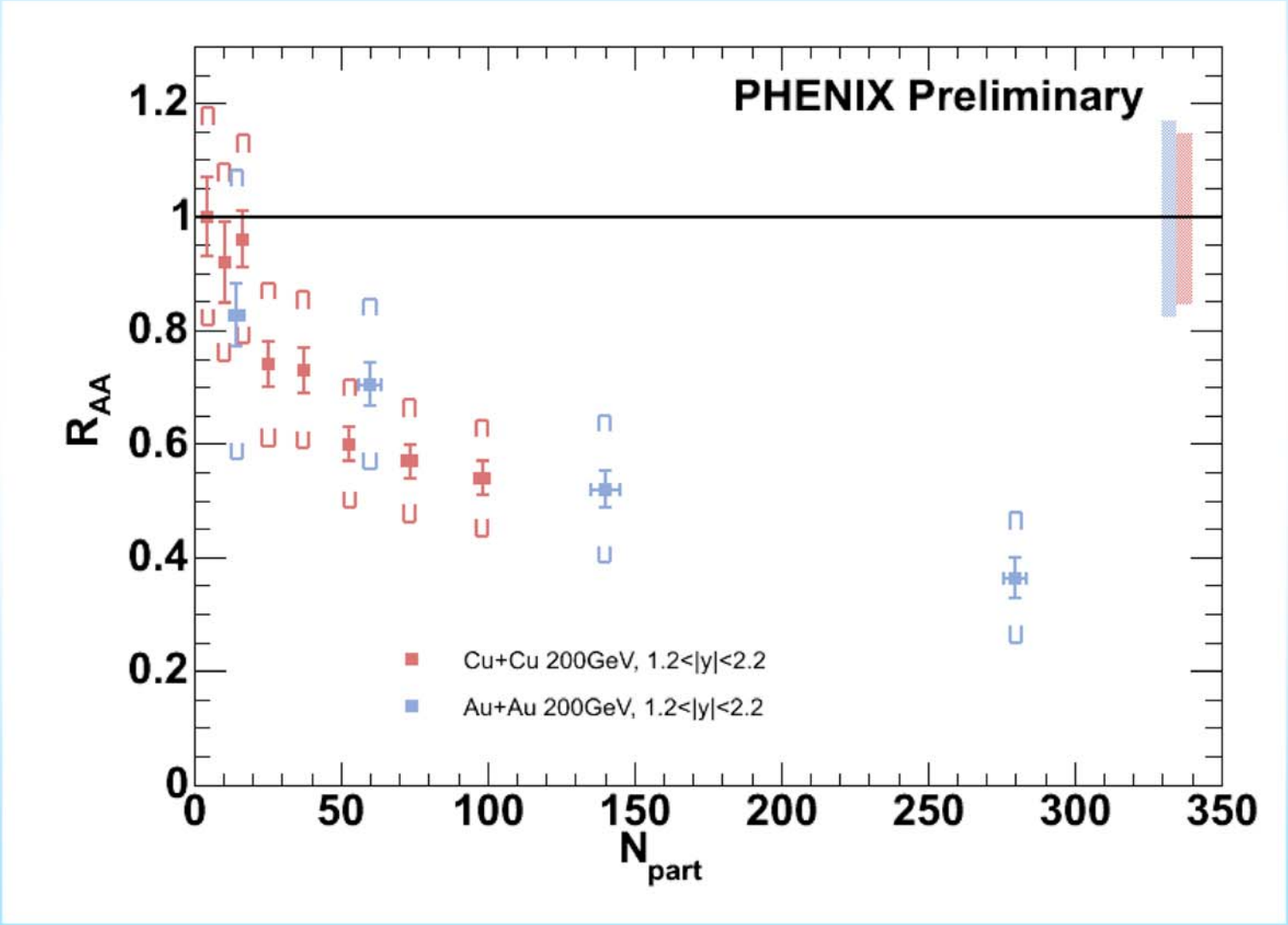
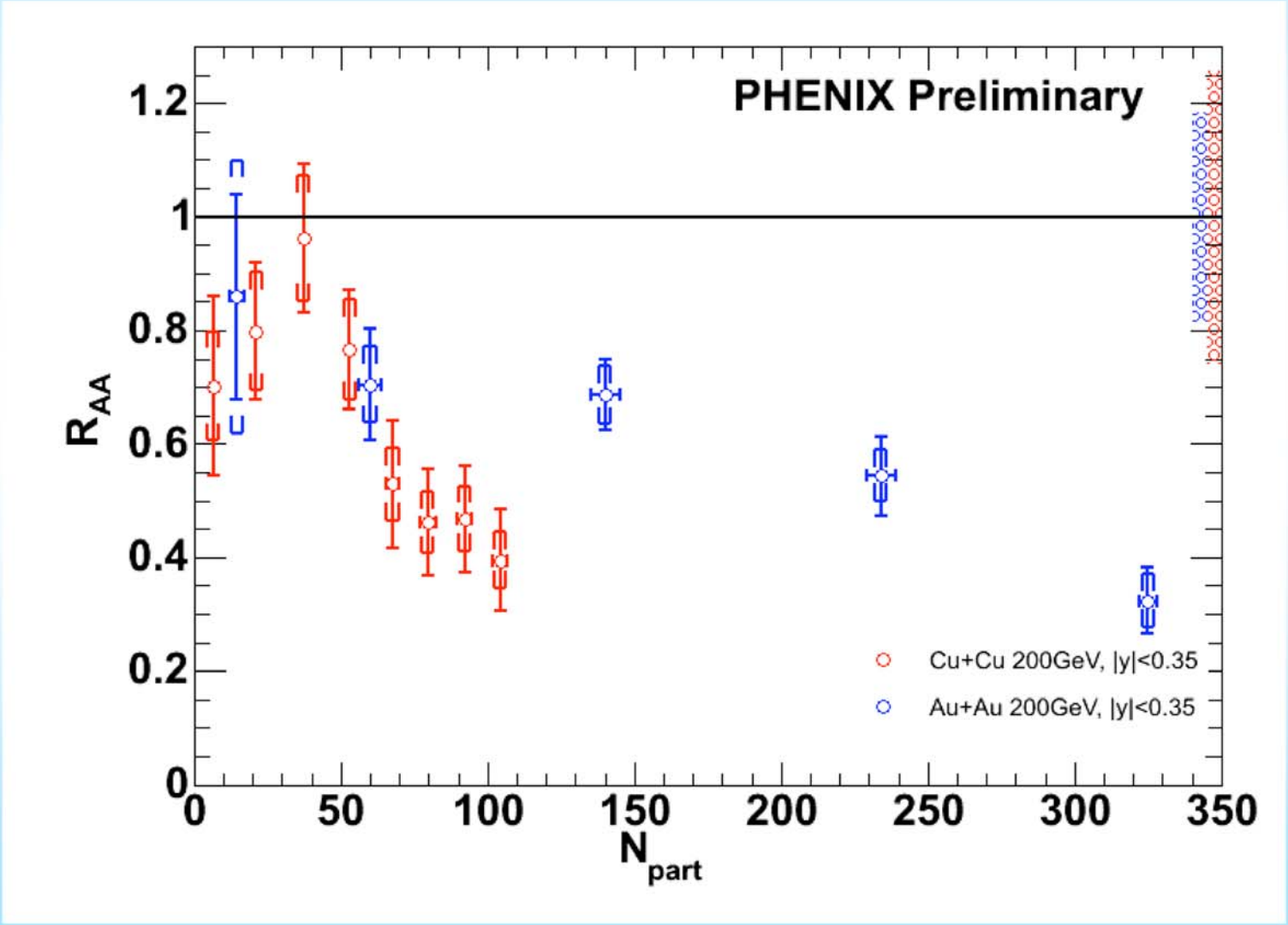


System size comparison at mid rapidity

Au+Au and Cu+Cu, $\sqrt{s}$ = 200GeV, |y| < 0.35



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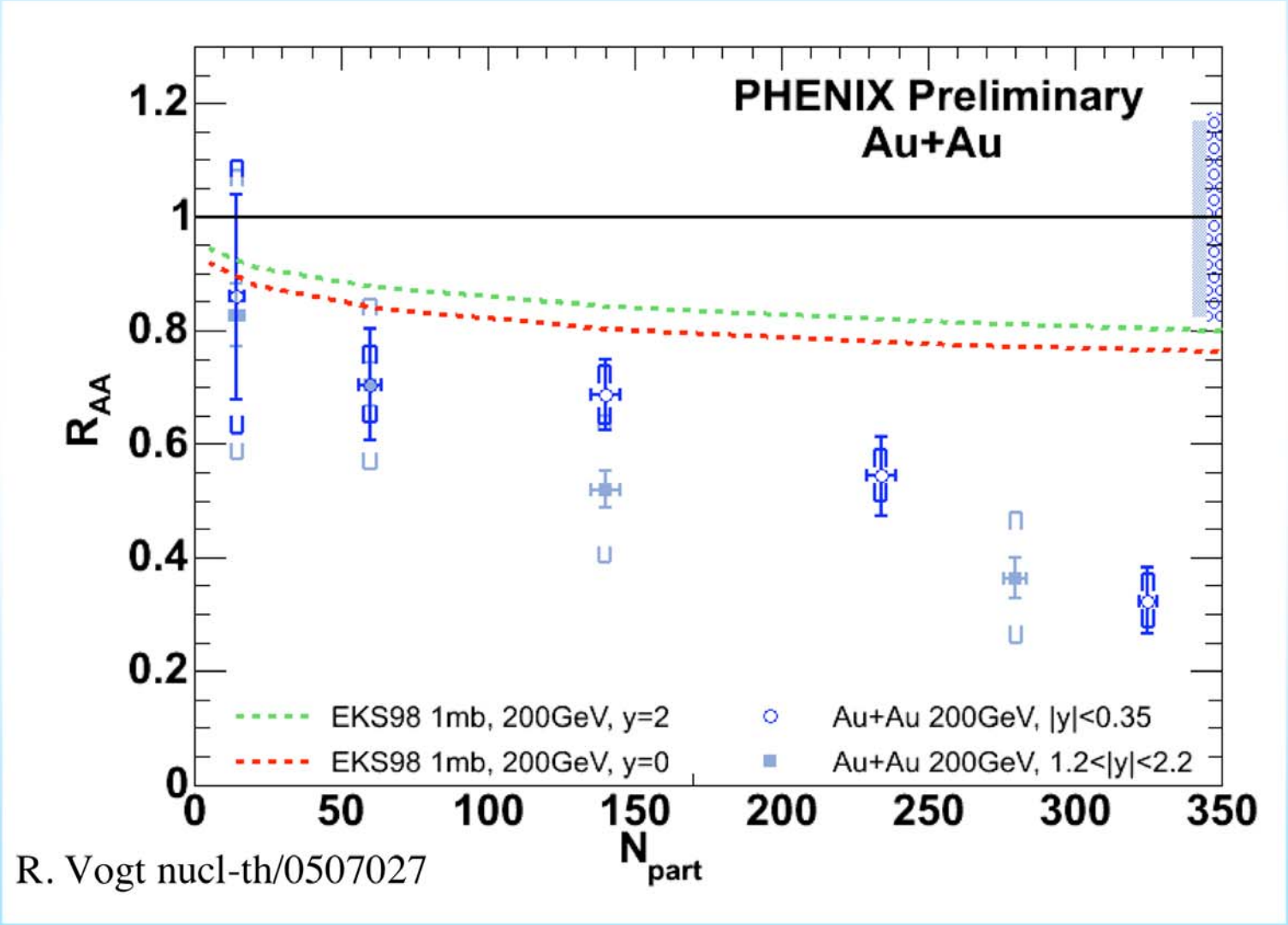
Cold nuclear matter models



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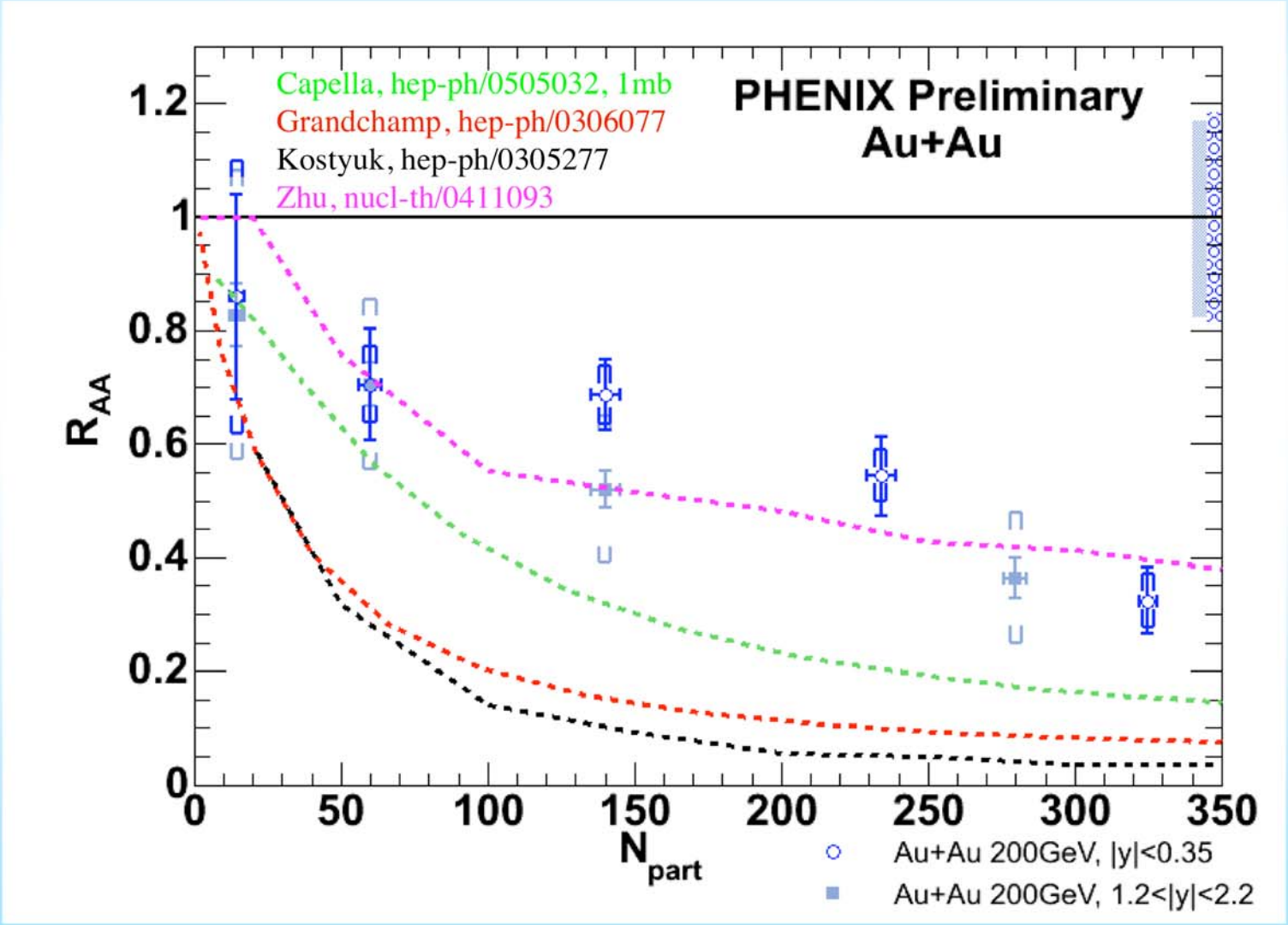
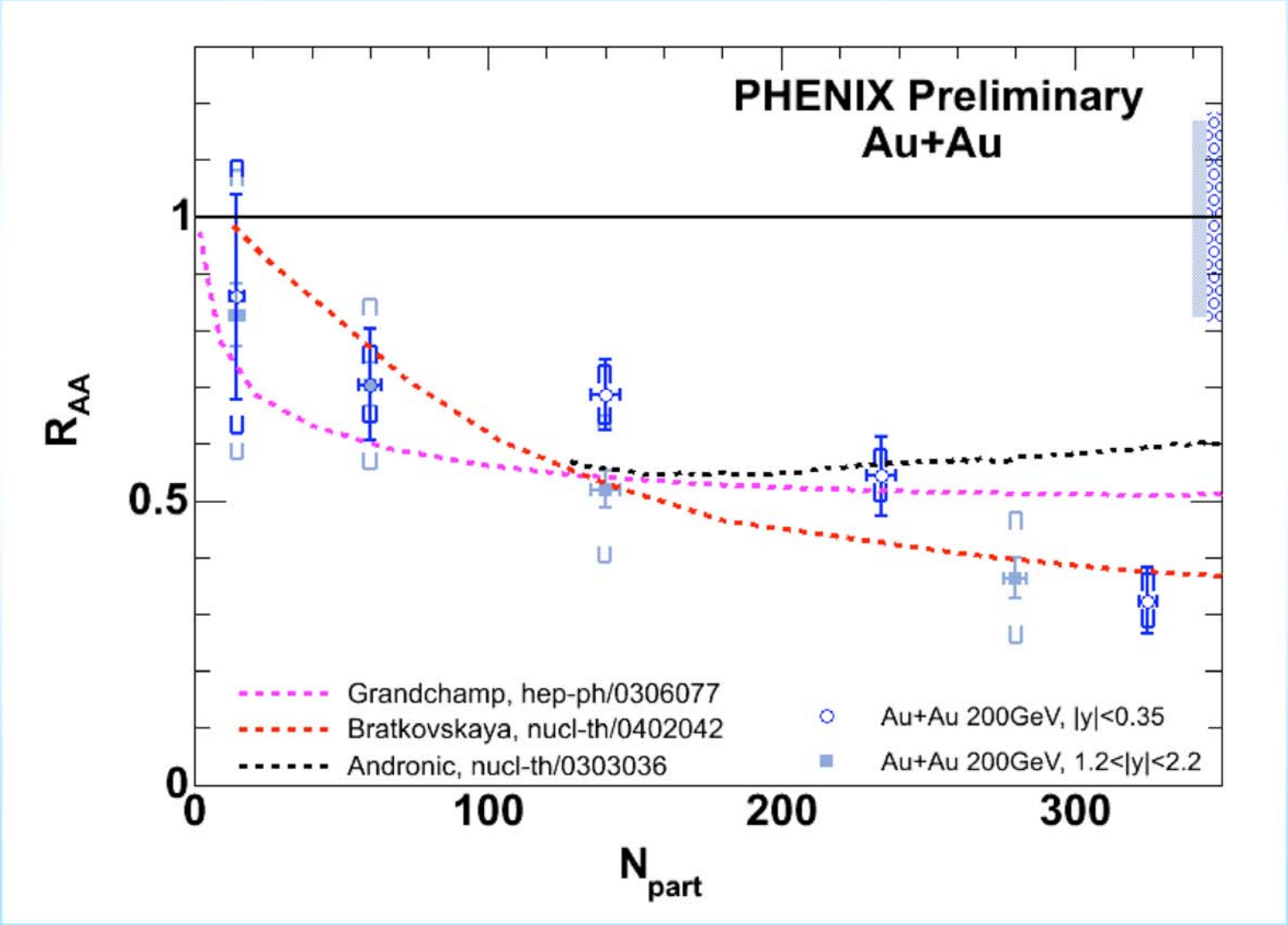
PHENIX Data & Suppression Models

Suppression models w/o regeneration



PHENIX Data & Regeneration Models

Suppression models with regeneration



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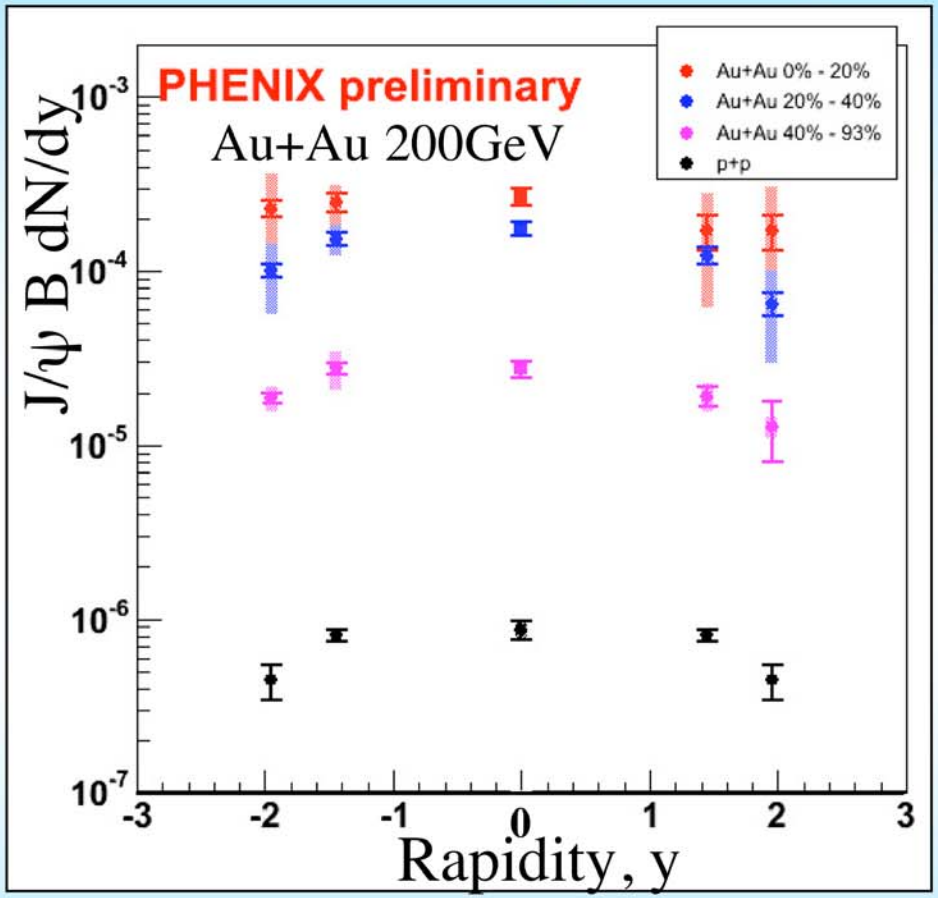

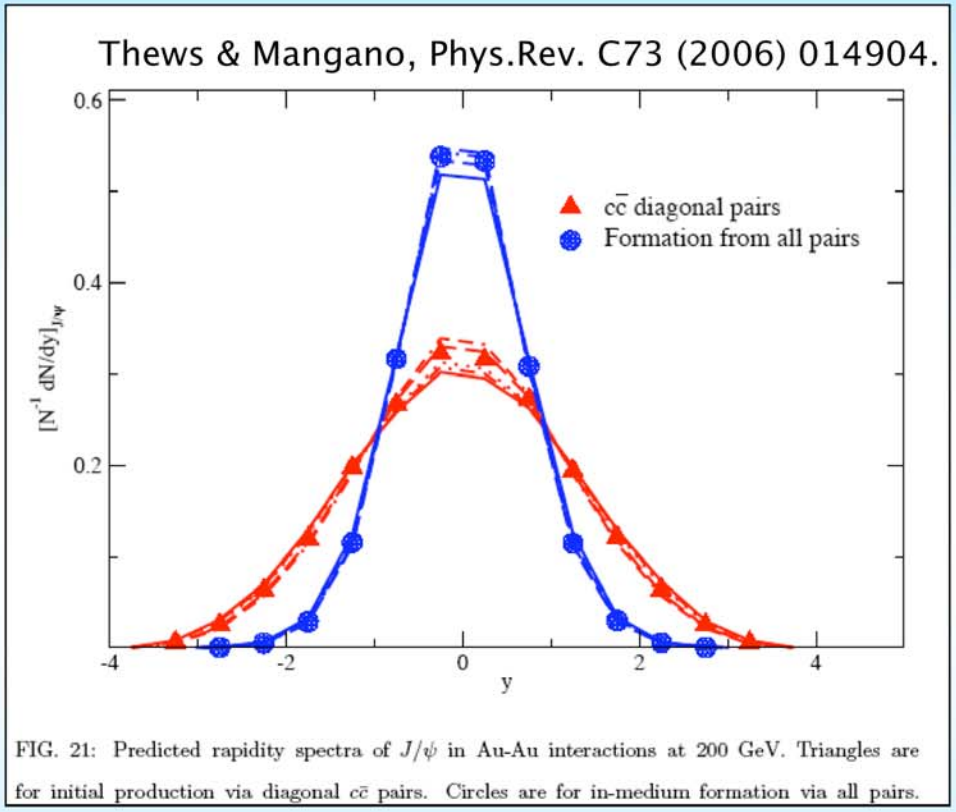

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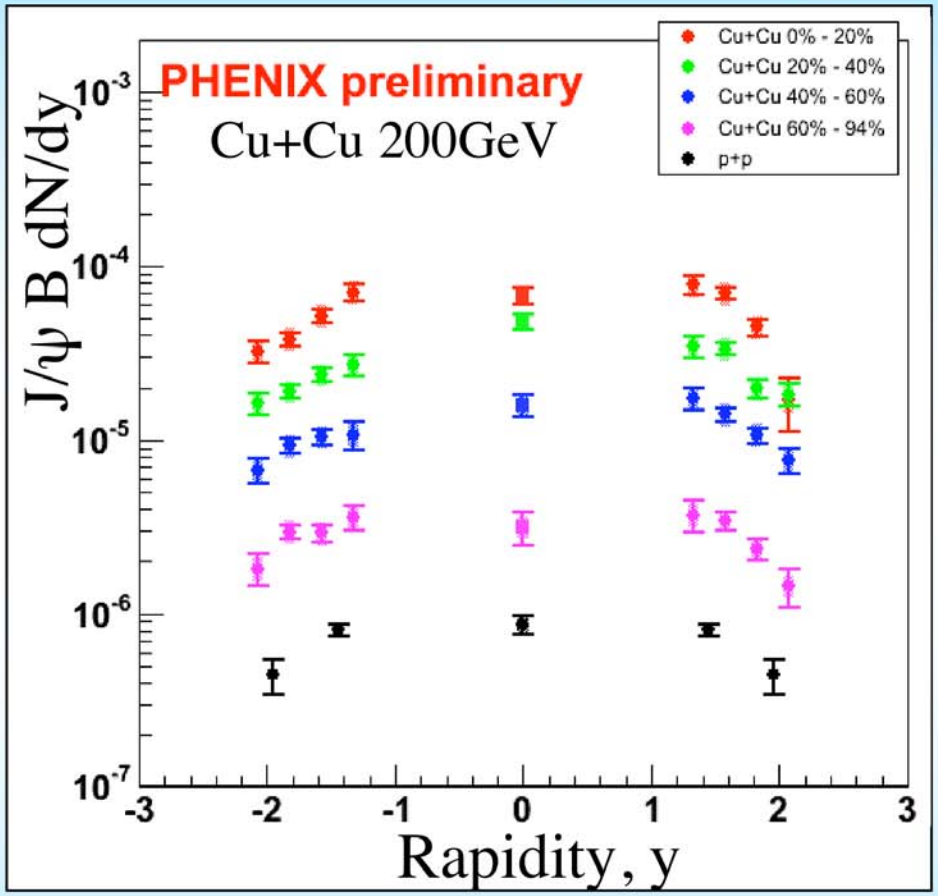

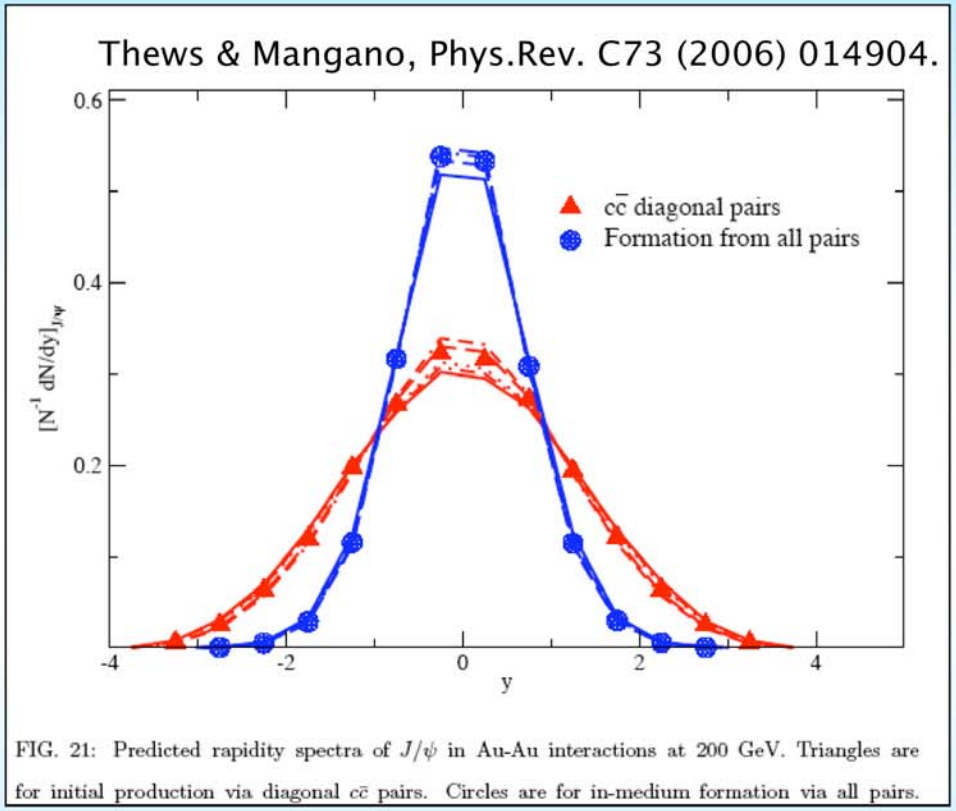

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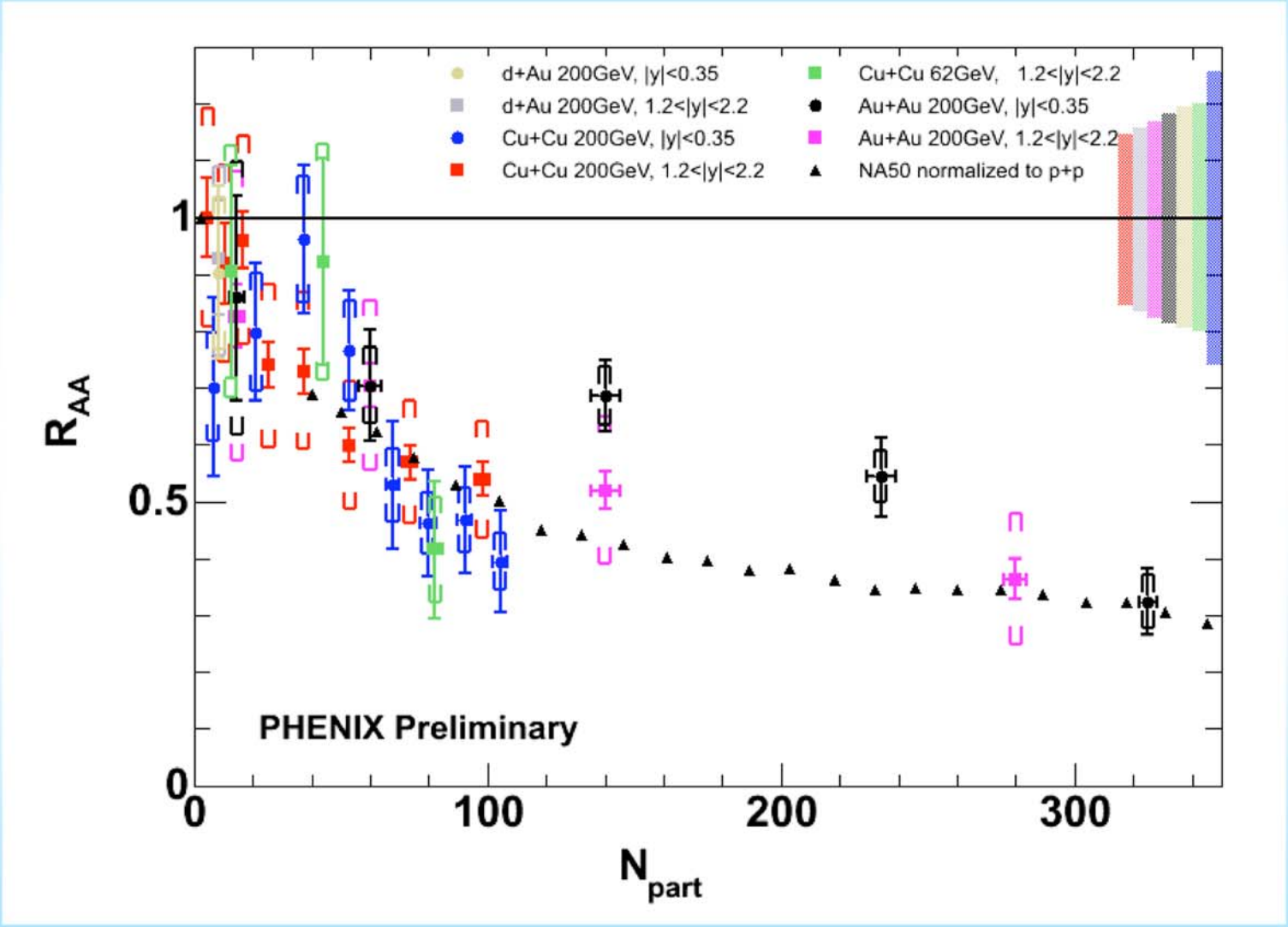
NA50 & PHENIX Comparison

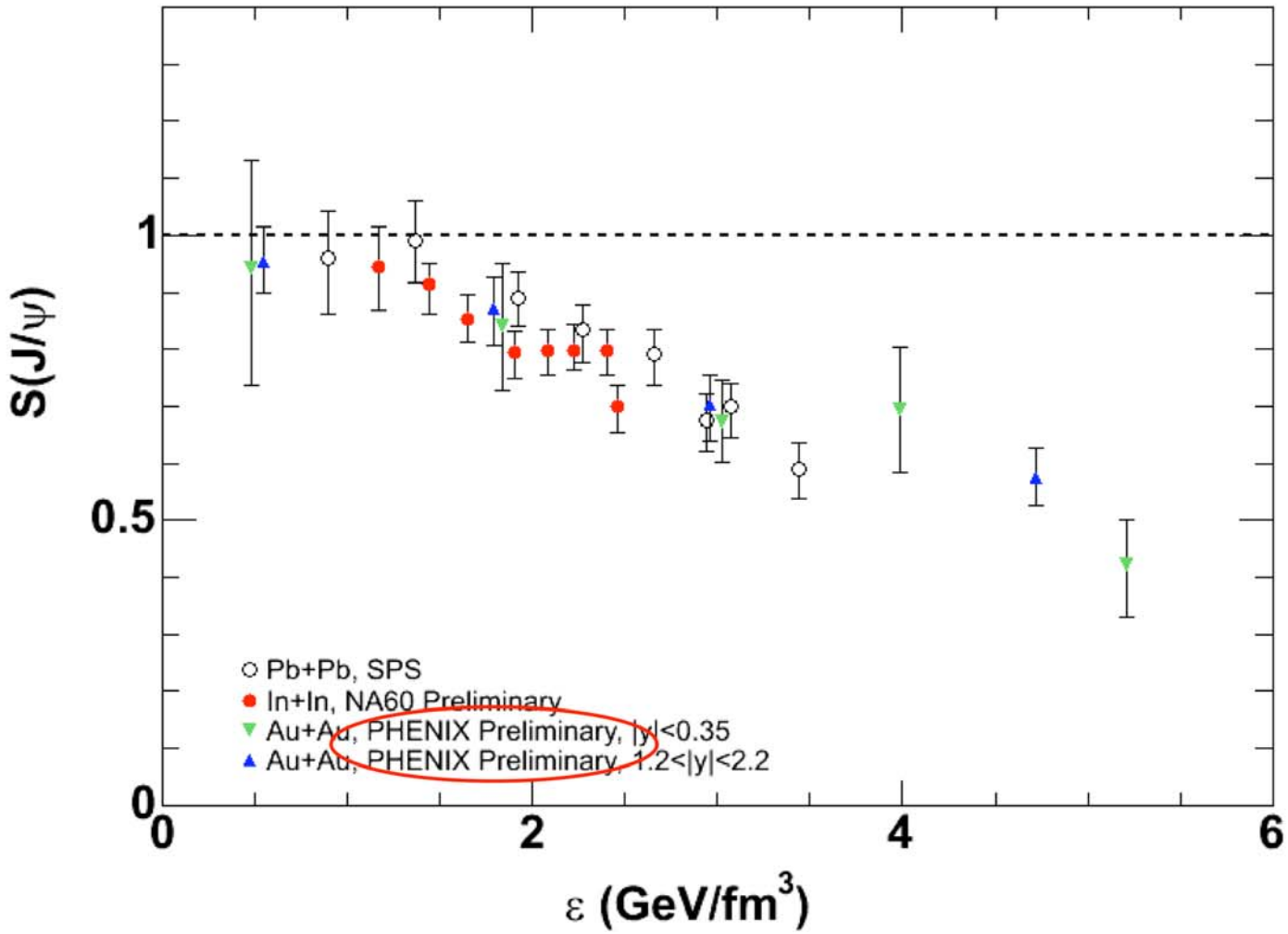


Sequential Dissociation

$$S(J/\psi) = 0.6S_{\psi} + 0.4S_{\chi_c,\psi'}$$

survival probability relative to normal nuclear matter

Figure 5: Karsch, Kharzeev & Satz, PLB 637, 75 (2006).



Sequential Dissociation

Show real Au+Au systematic errors - pt-to-pt and global scale
(Note: real systematic errors associated with SPS data exist also!)

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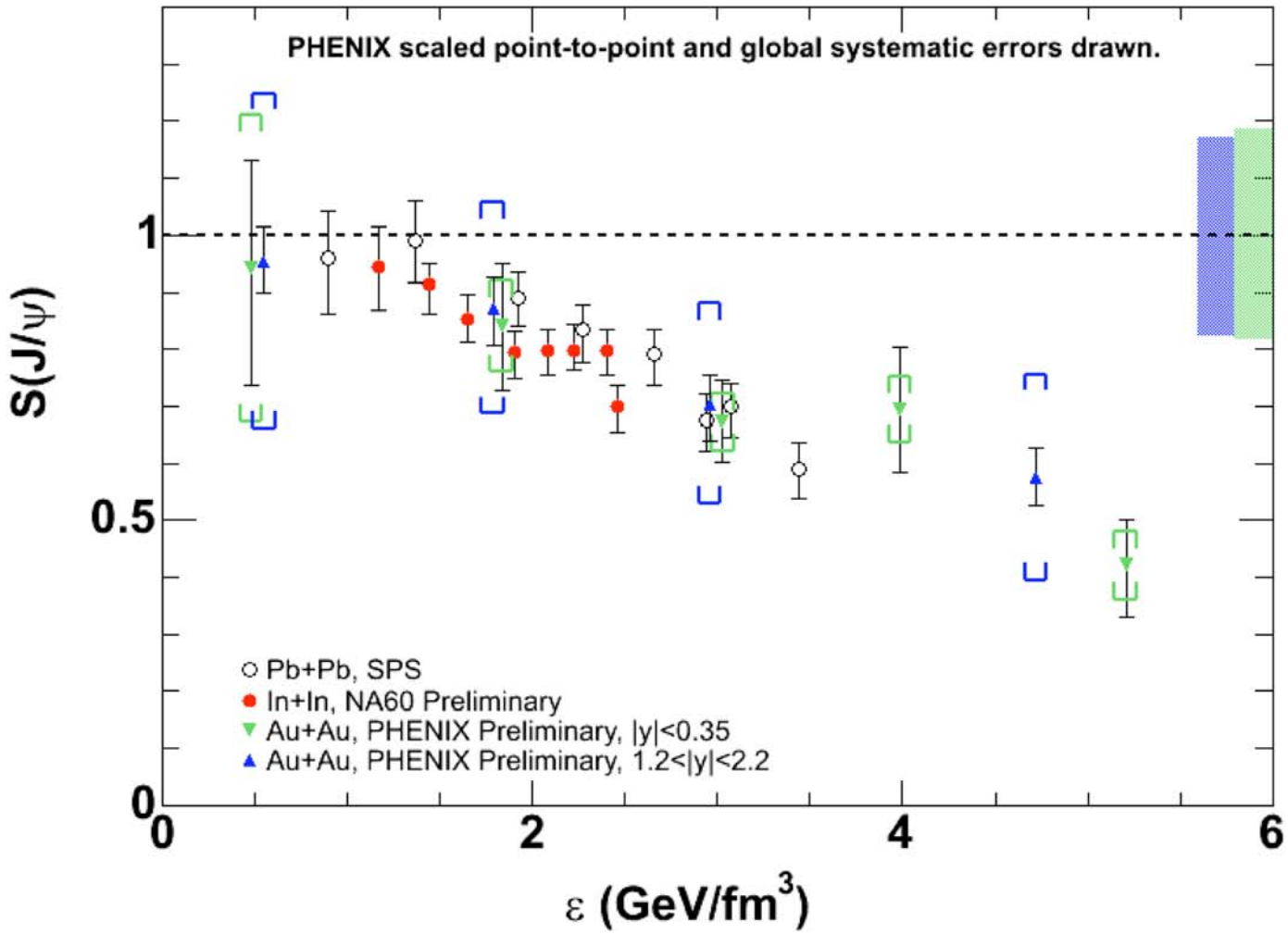

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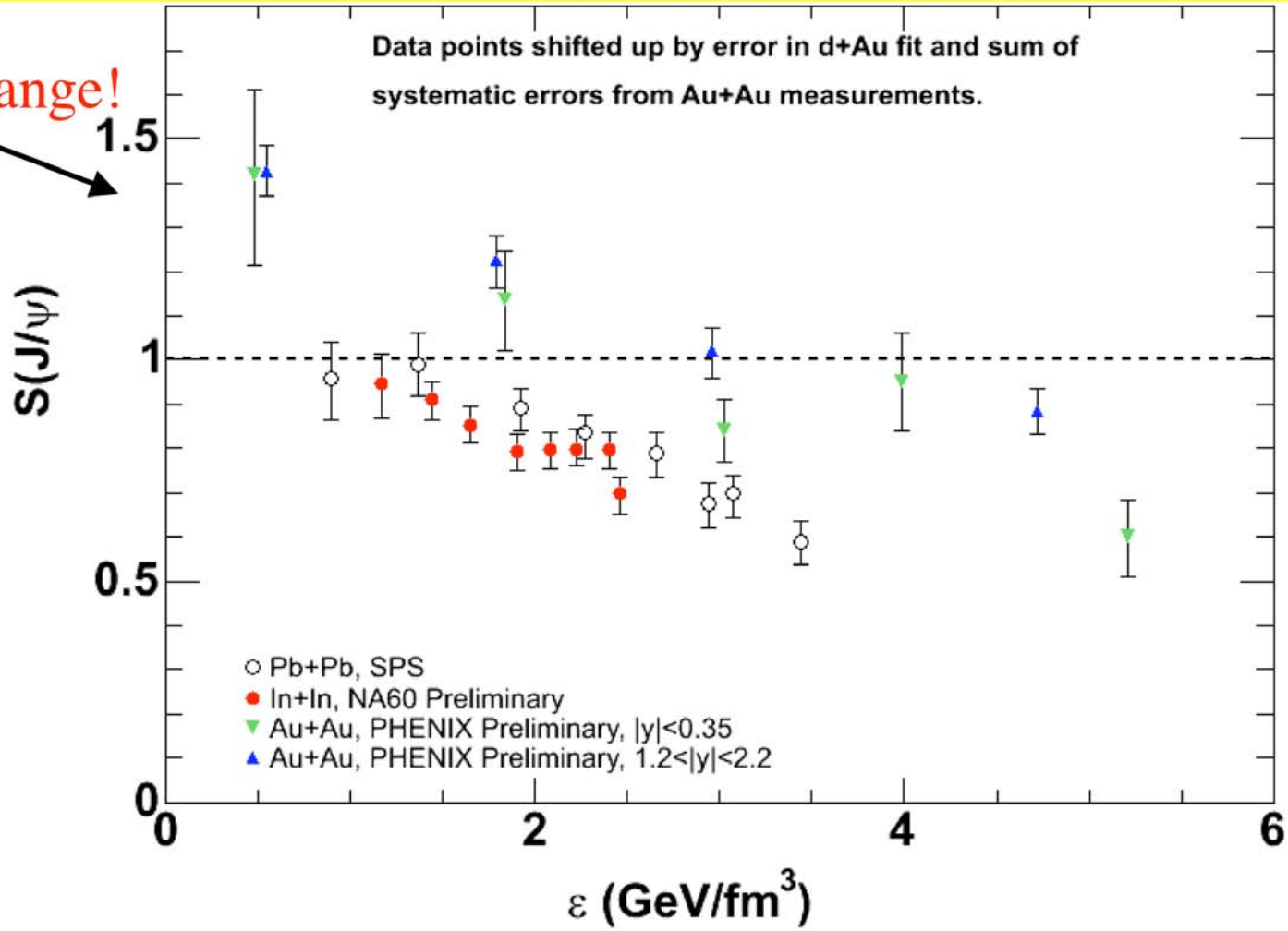
Scale Change!



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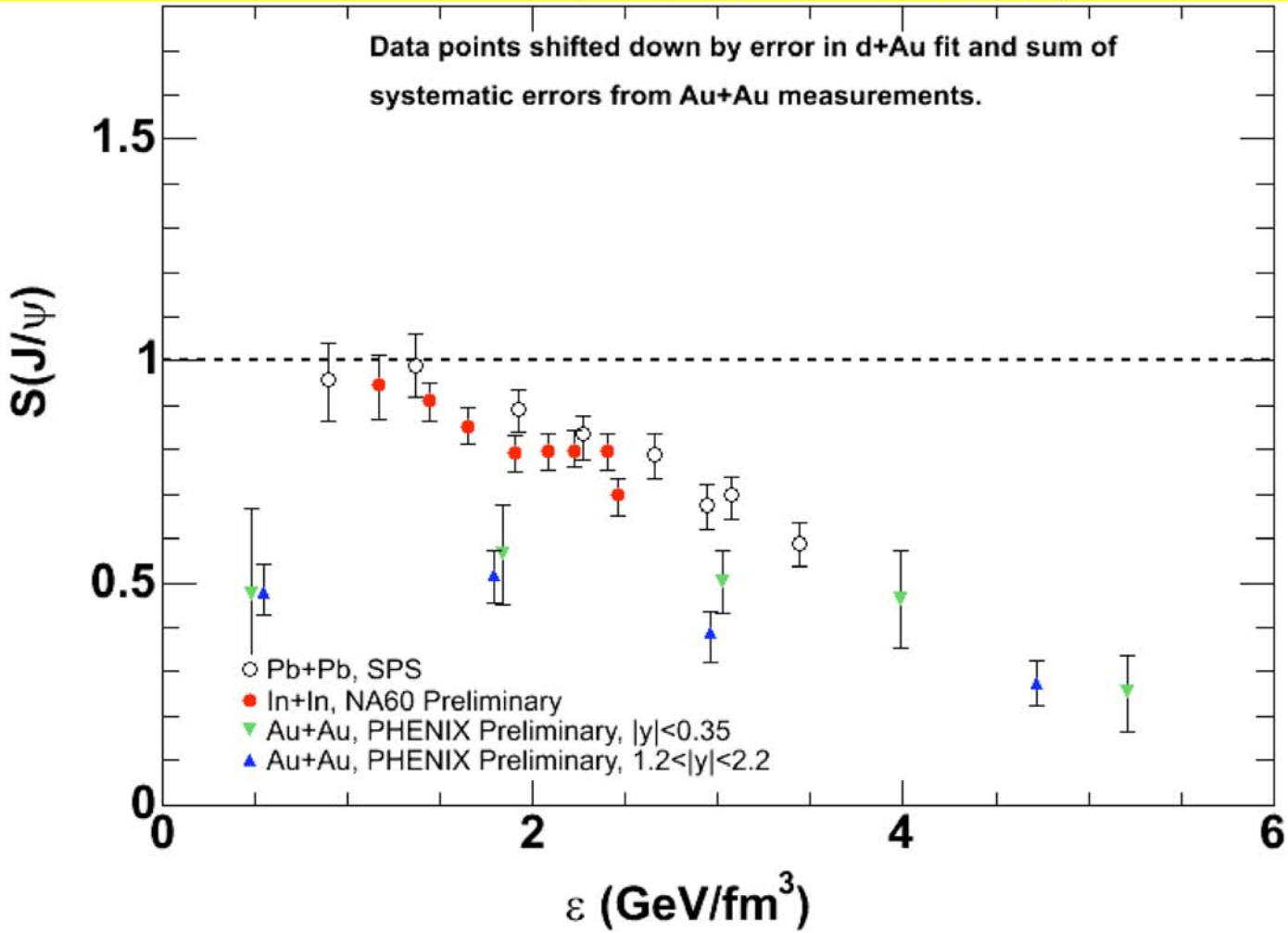
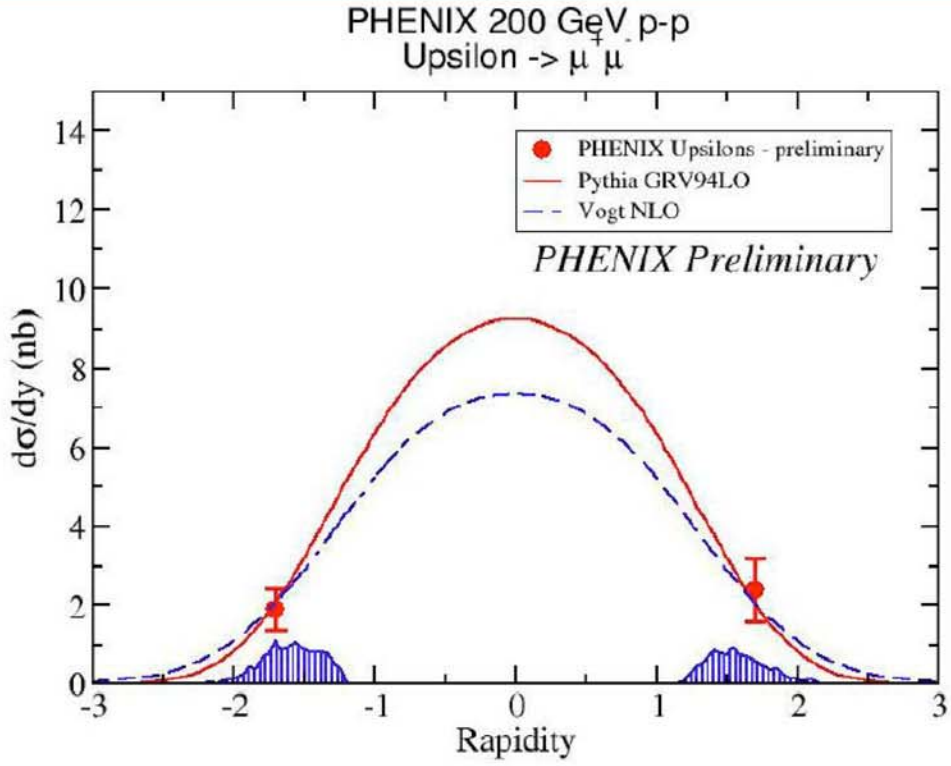
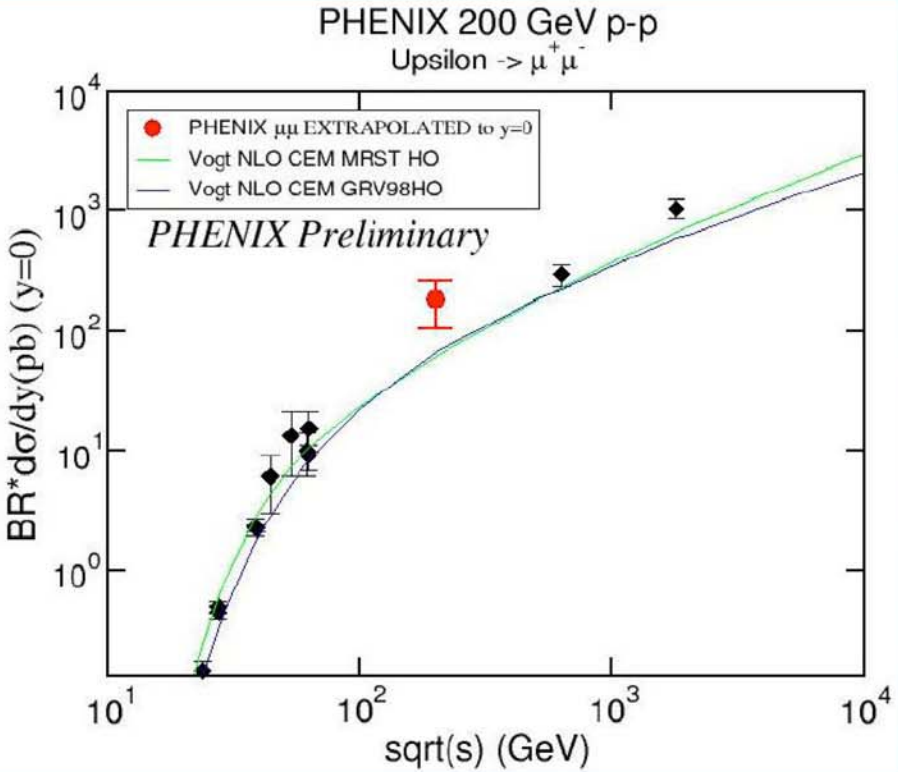


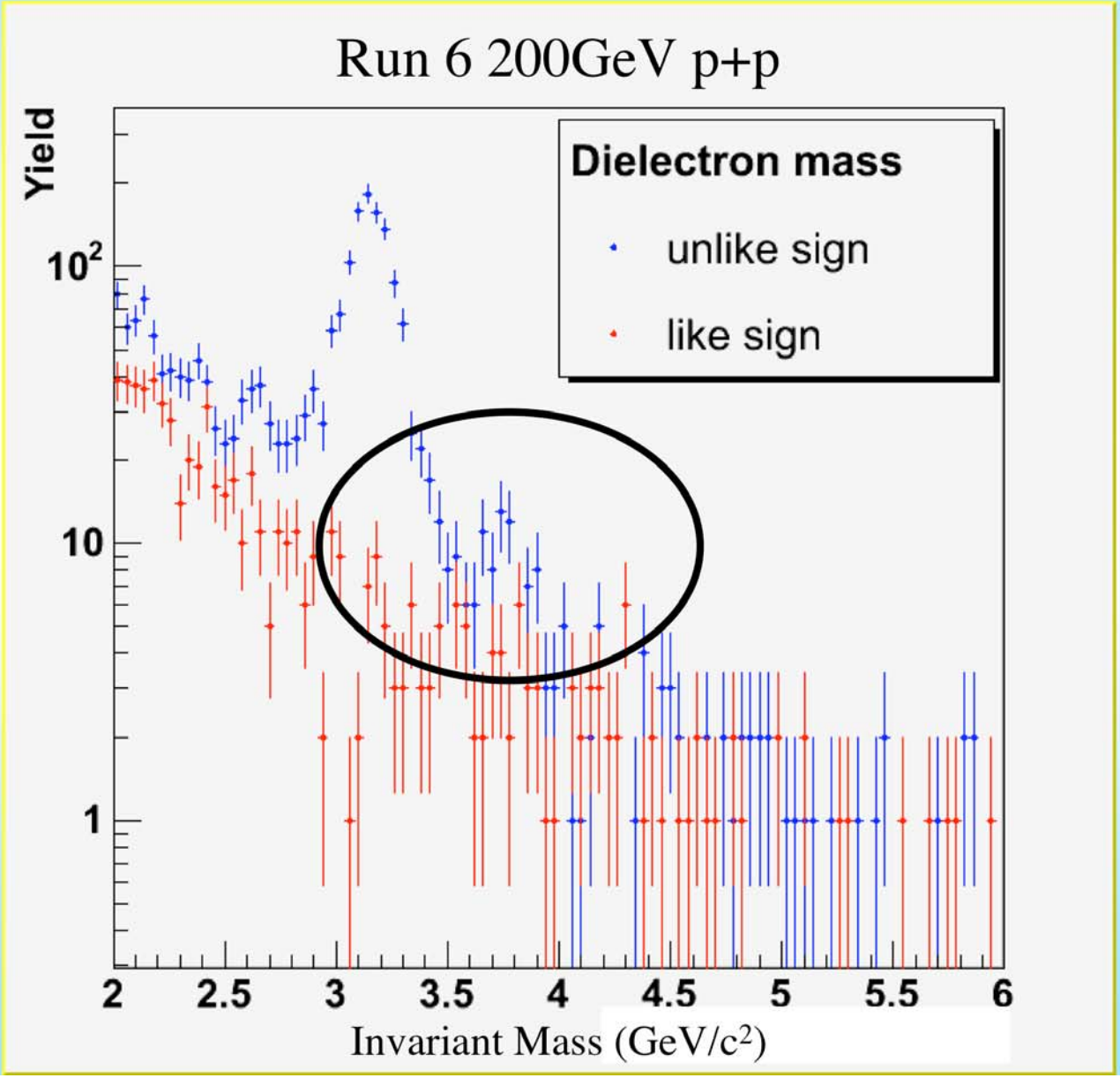
First Upsilon Measurement



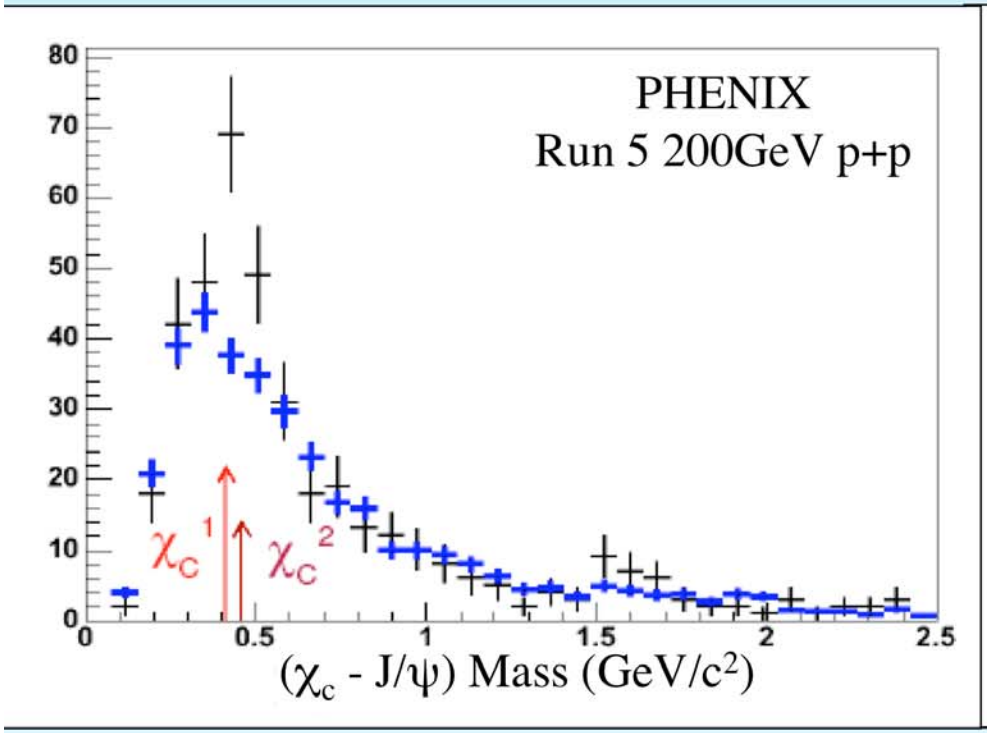


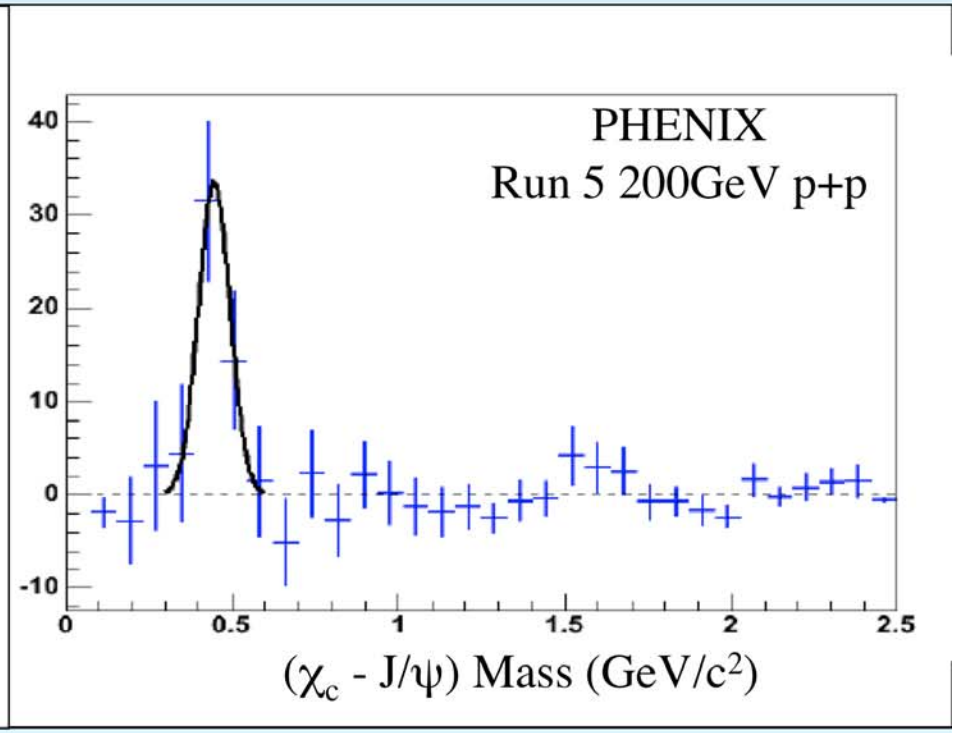
- Signal extraction assumes excess in Υ mass region is strictly from Υ's
- Rapidity dependence requires mid-rapidity point to constrain fit
- Preliminary cross section appears consistent with trend in world's data

Future Measurements: ψ'



Future Measurements: χ_c





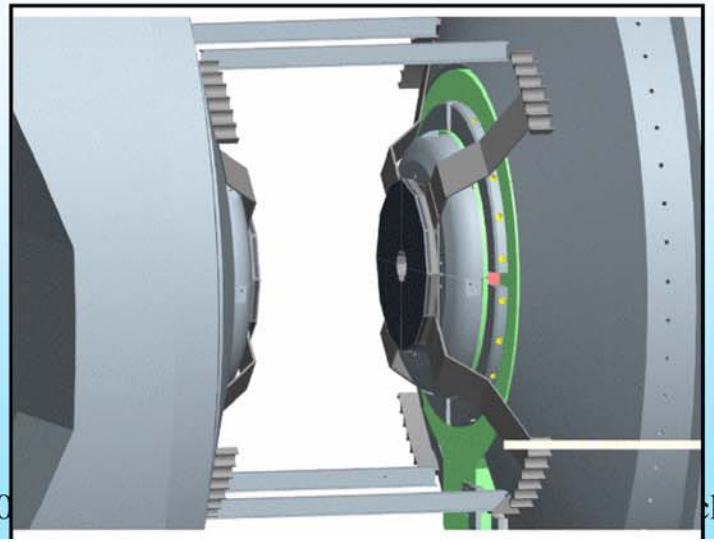
Run 6 data set has a factor of x3 more luminosity

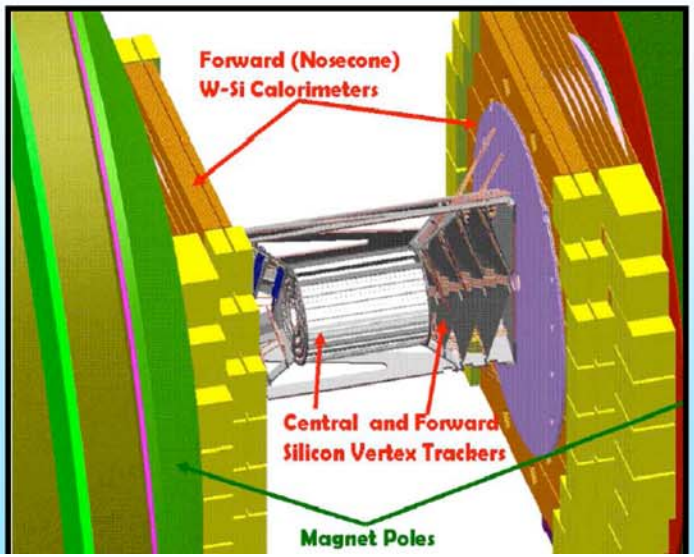
PHENIX Future

* Provided the PAC smiles upon us….
  Run 7: high statistics Au+Au 200GeV, x4 luminosity
  Run 8: high statistics d+Au 200GeV, x10 luminosity

PHENIX Detector Upgrades:
- ✓Reaction Plane Detector
- ✓Si Vertex Detector
- ✓Nosecone Calorimeter

RHIC Upgrades:
- ✓Increased luminosity
- ✓Increased species





The Tip of the Iceberg

- PHENIX quarkonia results are just beginning….
- Light Ions:
  - p+p data consistent with world's data and provides useful reference baseline
  - d+Au data is beginning to allow cold nuclear matter effects to be disentangled
  - Errors on results will dramatically improve with the analysis of higher statistics data sets
- Heavy Ions:
  - The similarities between the suppression observed at the SPS and RHIC is striking
  - Recombination of uncorrelated quarks?
  - Sequential dissociation of charmonium states?
- Improved measurement of Υ, ψ'and χ_c to come in p+p collisions
- Future PHENIX data will shed light on these processes and open additional exciting avenues of quarkonia measurements

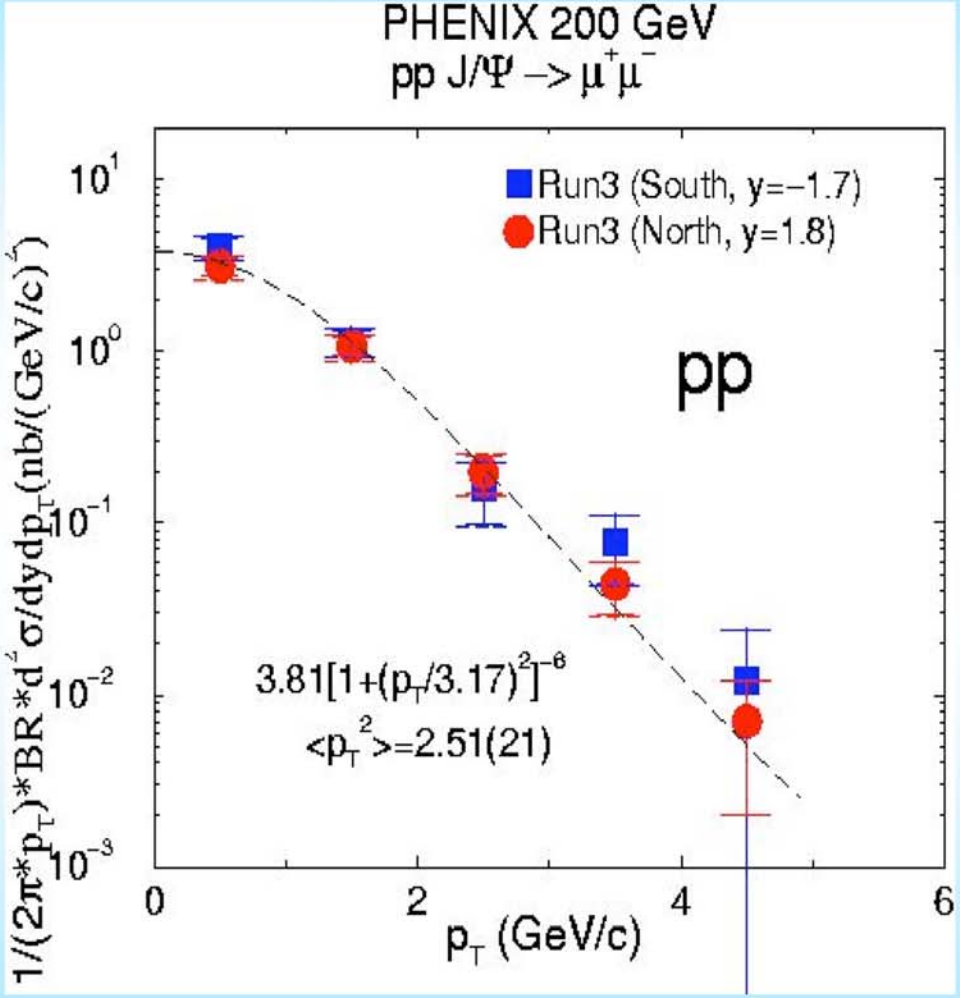
Backup

Cross Section vs p_T

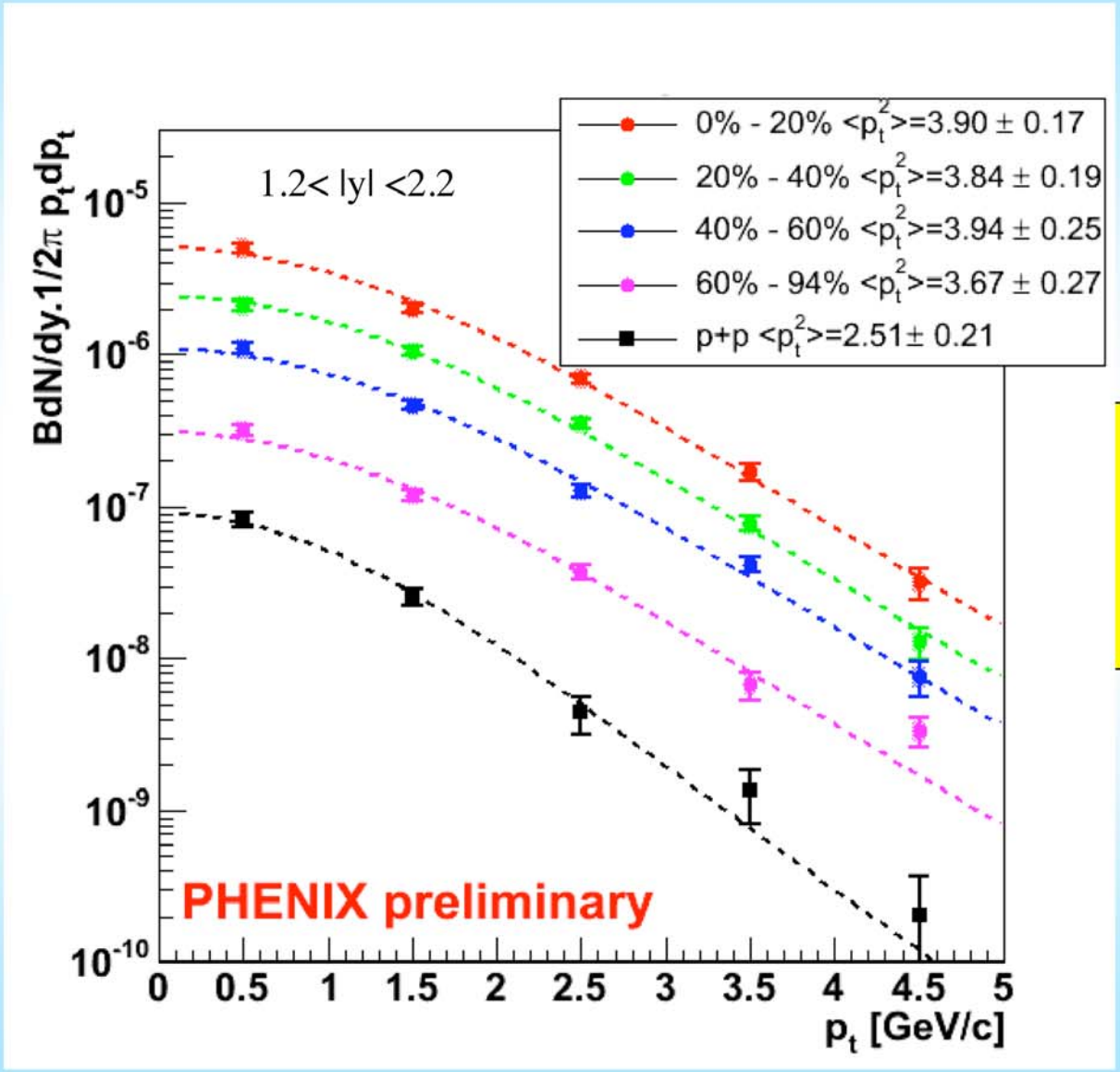
- Fit Function:

$$f(p_T) = A[1 + (p_t / B)^2]^{-6}$$

$$\left\langle p_T^2 \right\rangle = \left(B^2 / 4 \right)$$



Transverse Momentum Dependence

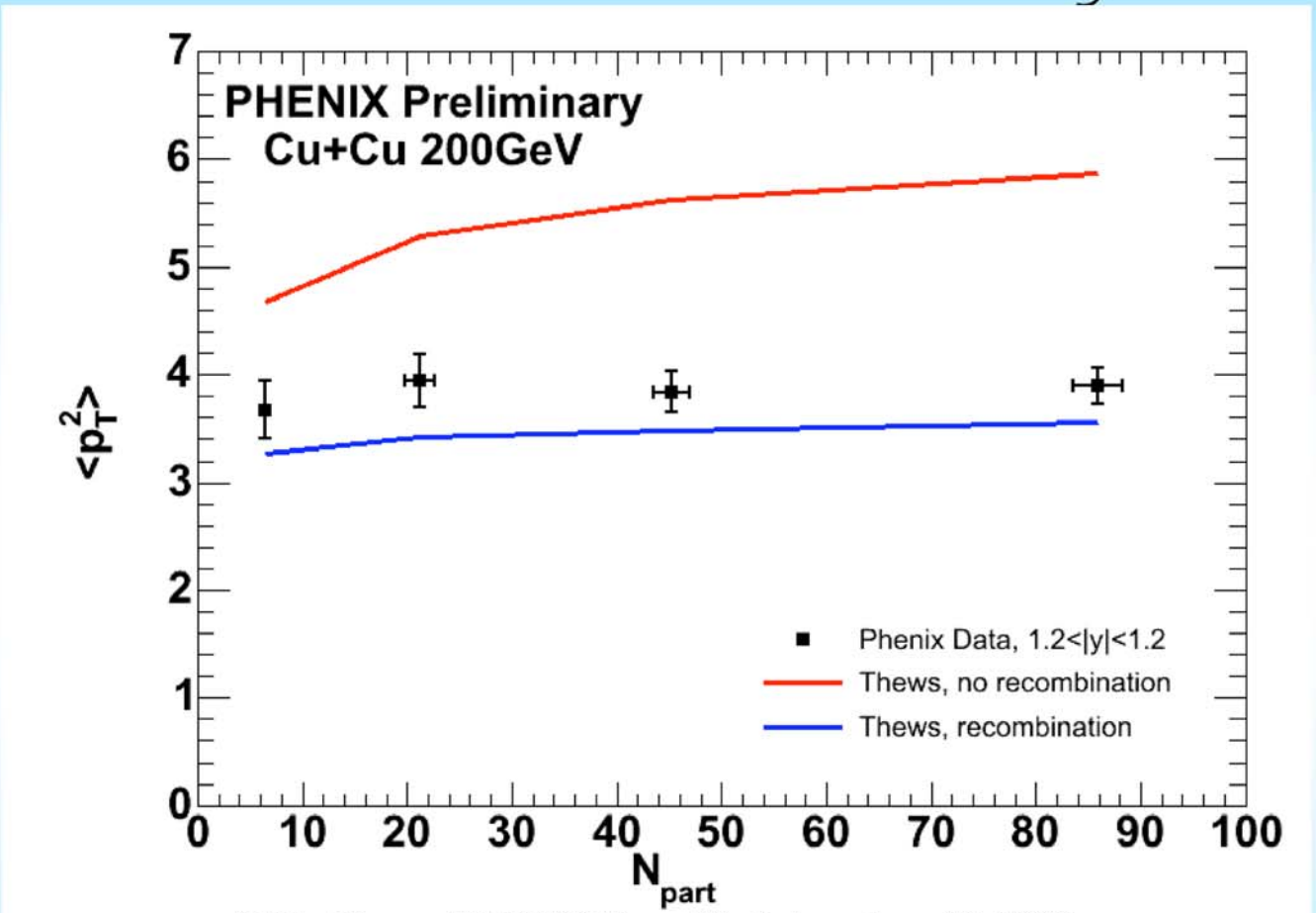


fit to extract $\langle p_t^2 \rangle$

$$f(p_T) = A[1 + (p_t/B)^2]^{-6}$$

$$\langle p_T^2 \rangle = (B^2/4)$$

Transverse Momentum Dependence

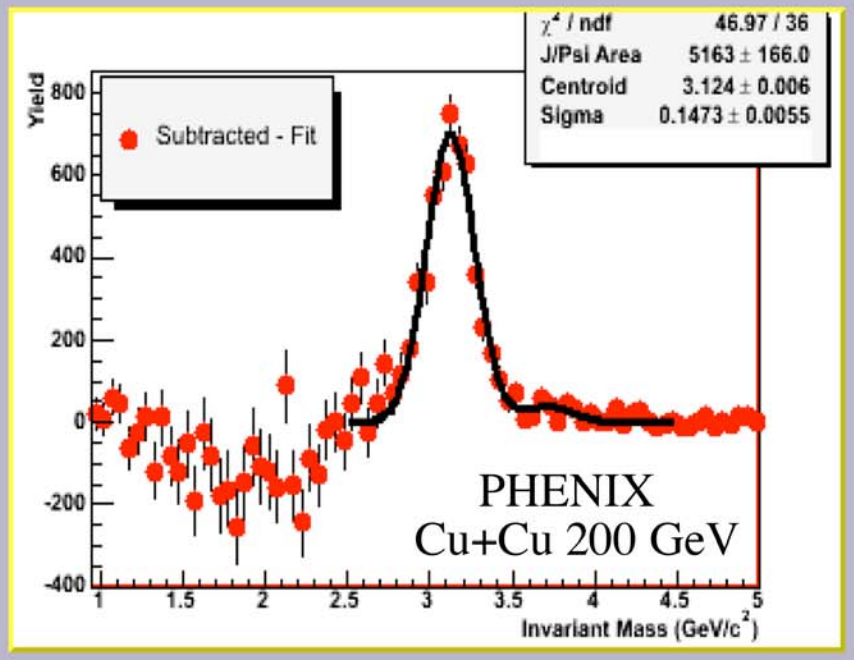


* R.L. Thews, PHENIX Muon Workshop, June 13, 2005.

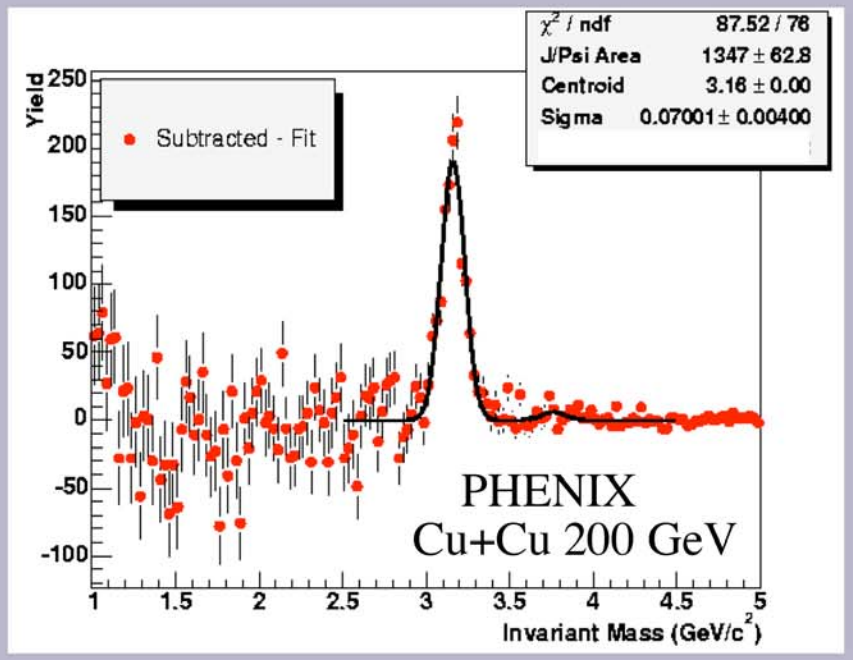
- Data: $\langle p_T^2 \rangle$ is consistent with flat as a function of centrality
- Theory*: Red shows NLO calculation without recombination
  Blue shows effect of including J/ψ produced via recombination

Invariant Mass Plots

$J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$



$J/\psi \rightarrow e^+e^-$

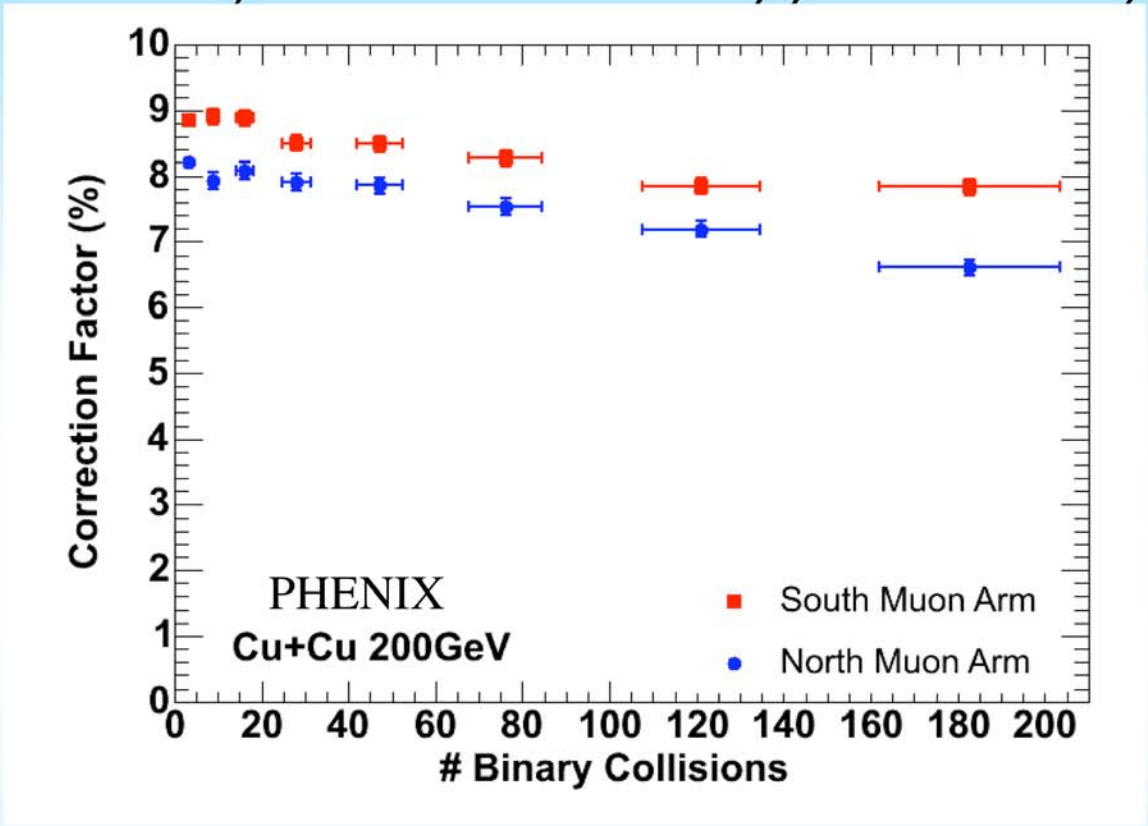


$$N_{J/\psi} = N^{+-} - 2\sqrt{(N^{++} * N^{--})}$$

Like sign subtraction method used to isolate J/ψ signal

Integrate over mass range of 2.6-3.6 GeV/c^2

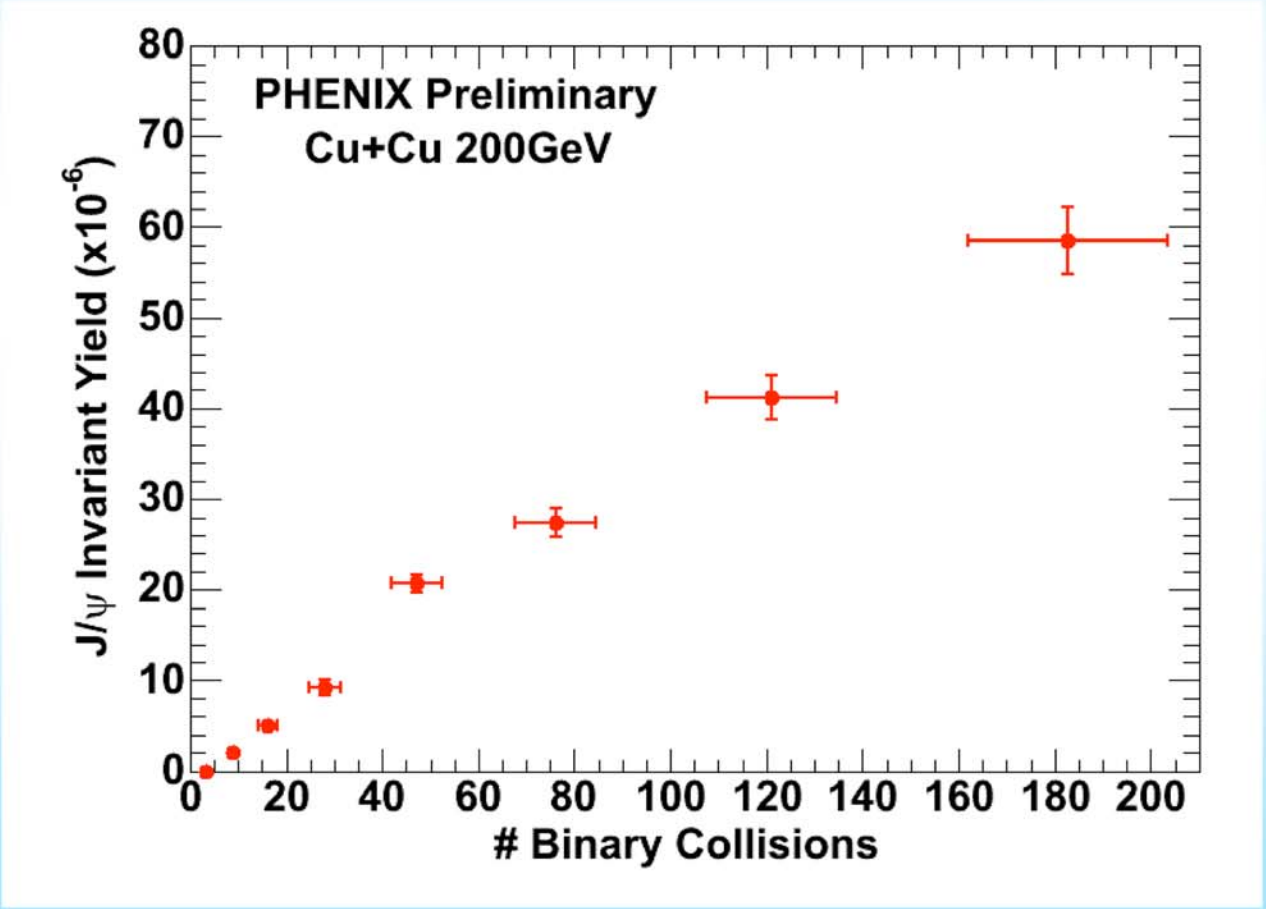
Acceptance * Efficiency



- Detector geometrical coverage
- Detector hardware performance
- Trigger efficiency
- Reconstruction efficiency

J/ψ Invariant Yield

$$B * \frac{dN_{J/\psi}}{dy} = \frac{N_{J/\psi}}{N_{evt} * A\varepsilon}$$



Comparing Systems and Energies

- PHENIX data:
  - Au+Au 200GeV
  - Cu+Cu 200GeV
  - Cu+Cu 62GeV
  - p+p 200GeV
  - d+Au 200GeV

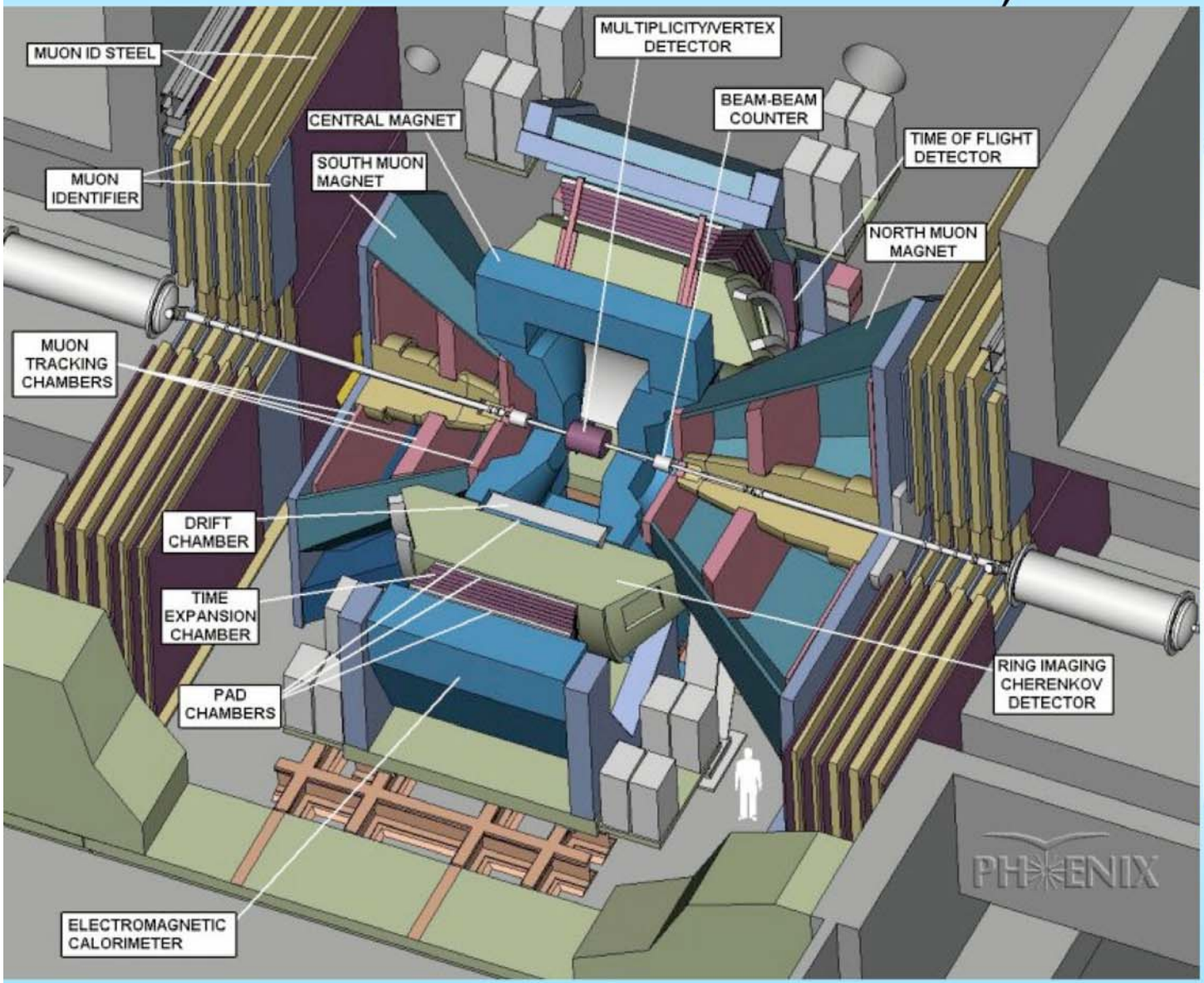
$$R_{AA} = \frac{1}{N_{coll}} \frac{\left(B * dN_{J/\psi}/dy \right)_{AA}}{\left(B * dN_{J/\psi}/dy \right)_{pp}}$$

- Nuclear Modification Factor (R_{AA}):
  - Scale measured invariant yield by invariant yield found in p+p collisions at the same energy
  - Account for differing number of nucleons by scaling by the number of binary collisions

Heavy Ion Collisions

- Quarkonia act as probe of medium to disentangle competing effects
  - Color Screening - In deconfined medium resonance interactions needed to convert ccbar pairs to J/ψ's are reduced
  - Comover Interactions - J/ψ interactions with secondary hadrons results in dissociation, does not require deconfined medium
  - Recombination - Regeneration of J/ψ's from non-formation c and cbar pairs
  - Sequential Dissociation - As the temperature increases the bound states melt ∴ charmonium states can serve as a thermodynamic probe of the medium

The PHENIX Experiment



$J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$

$p > 2\text{GeV/c}$

$1.2 < |y| < 2.2$

$\Delta\phi = 2\pi$

$J/\psi \rightarrow e^+ e^-$

$p > 0.2\text{GeV/c}$

$|\eta| < 0.35$

$\Delta\phi = \pi$