

Quarkonium Production at STAR



Christopher Powell for the STAR Collaboration
Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory / University of Cape Town



KRUGER2012
Kruger Gate, South Africa
December 3 – 7, 2012



Outline

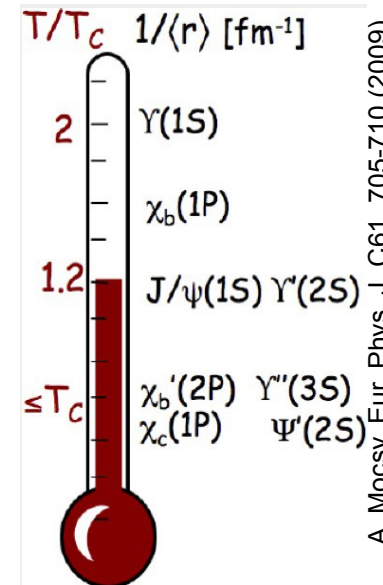
- Introduction
- Experiment
- Particle identification
- J/ψ production in p+p, d+Au, Au+Au at 200 GeV
 - *Spectra, elliptic flow, nuclear modification factor.*
- Υ production in p+p, d+Au, Au+Au at 200 GeV
 - *Cross section, nuclear modification factor.*
- Summary



Introduction

Charmonia: J/ψ , ψ' , χ_c Bottomonia: $\Upsilon(1S)$, $\Upsilon(2S)$, $\Upsilon(3S)$, χ_b

- Heavy quarks are created in the initial hard scattering
→ *exposed to the evolution of the system.*
- Expect a suppression of quarkonia in a QGP
[T. Matsui and H. Satz, Phys Lett. B 178, 416 (1986).]
→ *color screening of heavy quark pair potential*
→ *unique probe of deconfined medium*
- Sequential melting of different states
→ *melting depends on binding energy and T_c*
→ *provides a thermometer of QGP*



A. Mocsy, Eur. Phys. J. C61, 705-710 (2009)



Introduction

However, there are complications to quarkonium production:

- *Production mechanism unclear;*
- *Modifications from Cold Nuclear Matter effects*
→ *modification of nuclear PDFs (shadowing), nuclear absorption*
- *Additional Hot Nuclear Matter effects*
→ *regeneration in QGP*
→ *system size and formation time effects*
(high- p_T escape from suppression zone) [leakage]
- *Feed-down from resonances and decays*
→ *Need to systematically study quarkonia production in $p+p$, $d+Au$, $Au+Au$ collisions:*

Measure p_T spectra, elliptic flow, nuclear modification factor to disentangle effects.

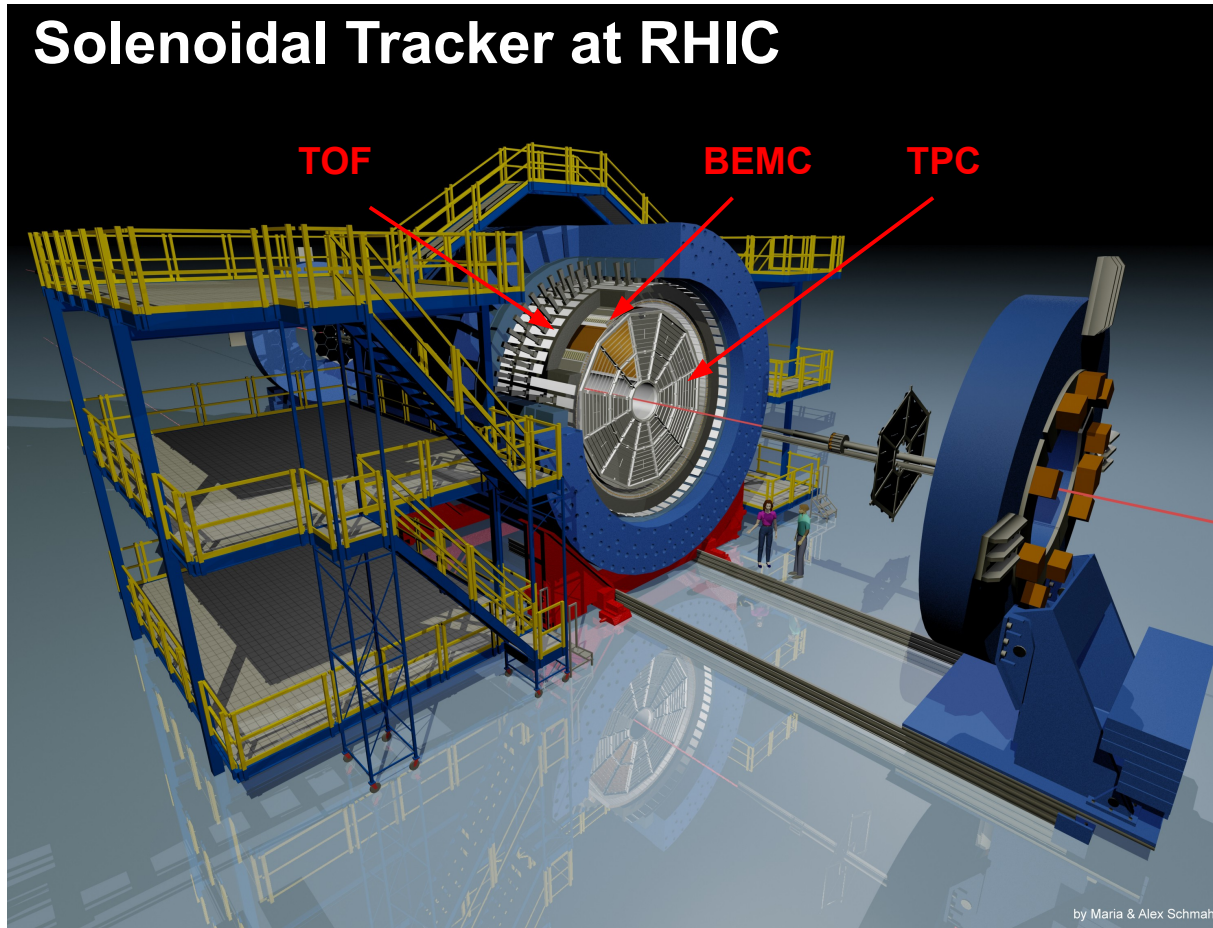


STAR Experiment

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

(BR = 5.9%, 2.4%)

Solenoidal Tracker at RHIC



Large Acceptance:

$$|\eta| < 1, 0 < \phi < 2\pi$$

Time Projection Chamber:

Tracking $\rightarrow p_T, \eta, \phi$

dE/dx \rightarrow PID

Time Of Flight:

Timing res. < 100 ps

$1/\beta \rightarrow$ PID

Barrel Electromagnetic Calorimeter:

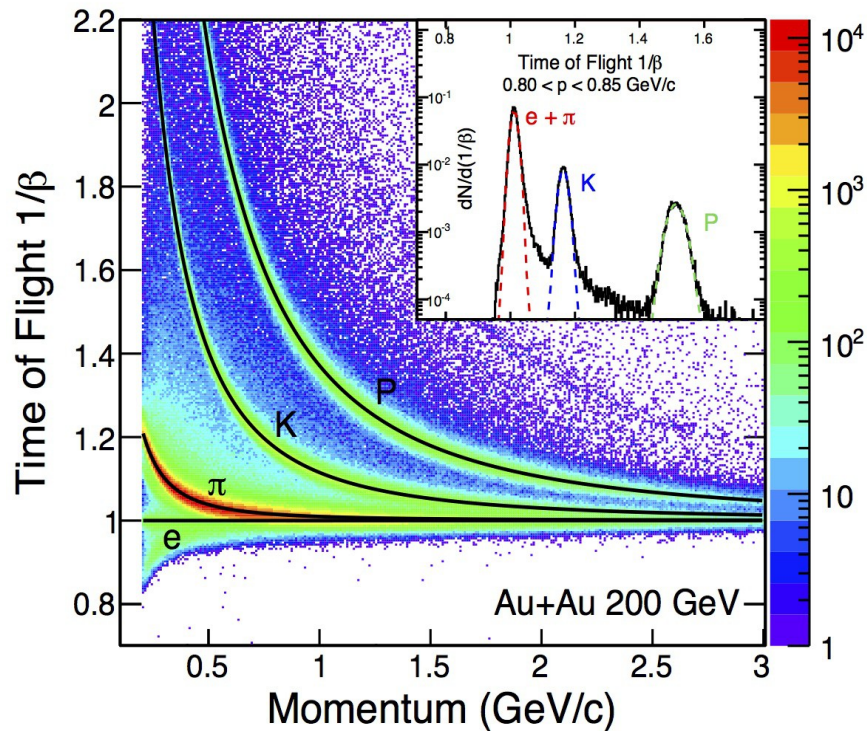
$$\text{Tower } \Delta\eta \times \Delta\phi \\ = 0.05 \times 0.05$$

Large acceptance, excellent particle identification, fast DAQ!

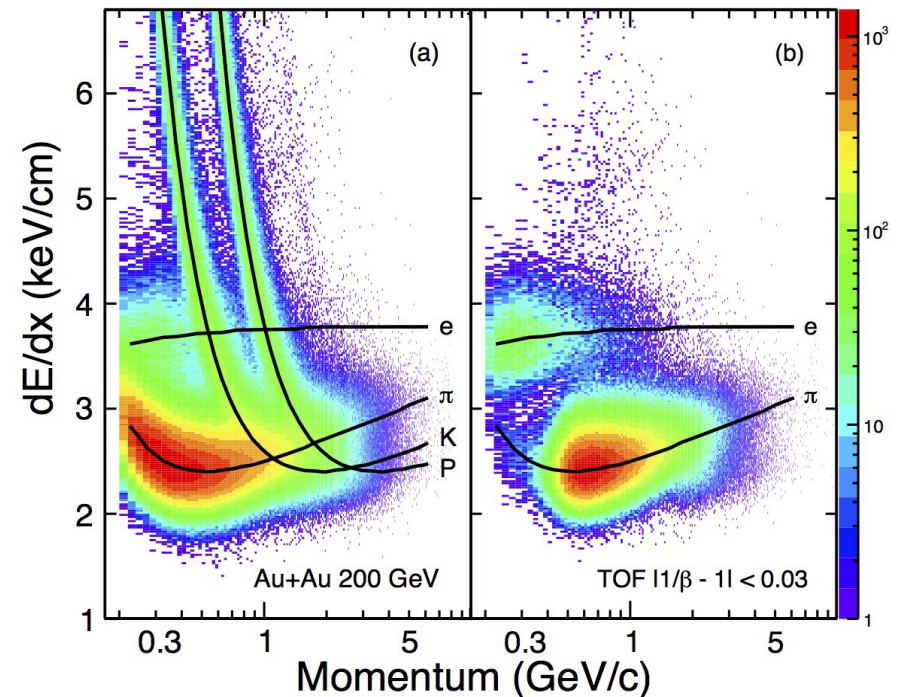


Particle Identification: low p_T

Time of Flight
($1/\beta \sim 1$ for electrons)



Time Projection
Chamber dE/dx



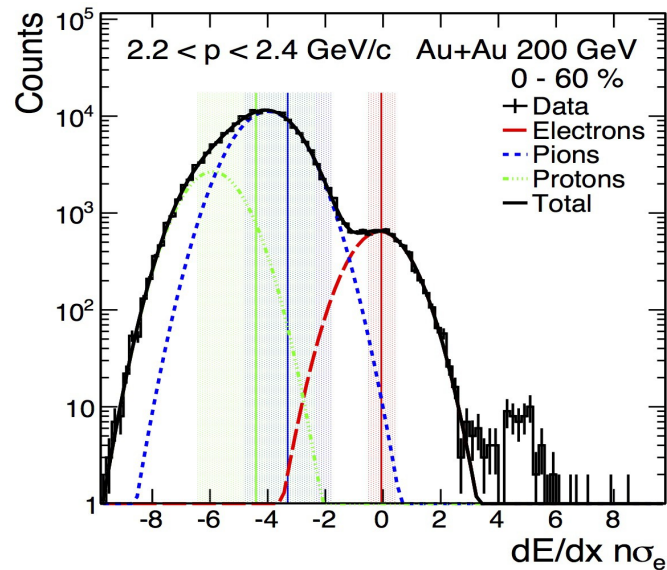
TPC: momentum reconstruction, good separation of electrons from pions using dE/dx .

TOF: good separation of electrons from heavier hadrons for $p < 1.5$ GeV/c using $1/\beta$.

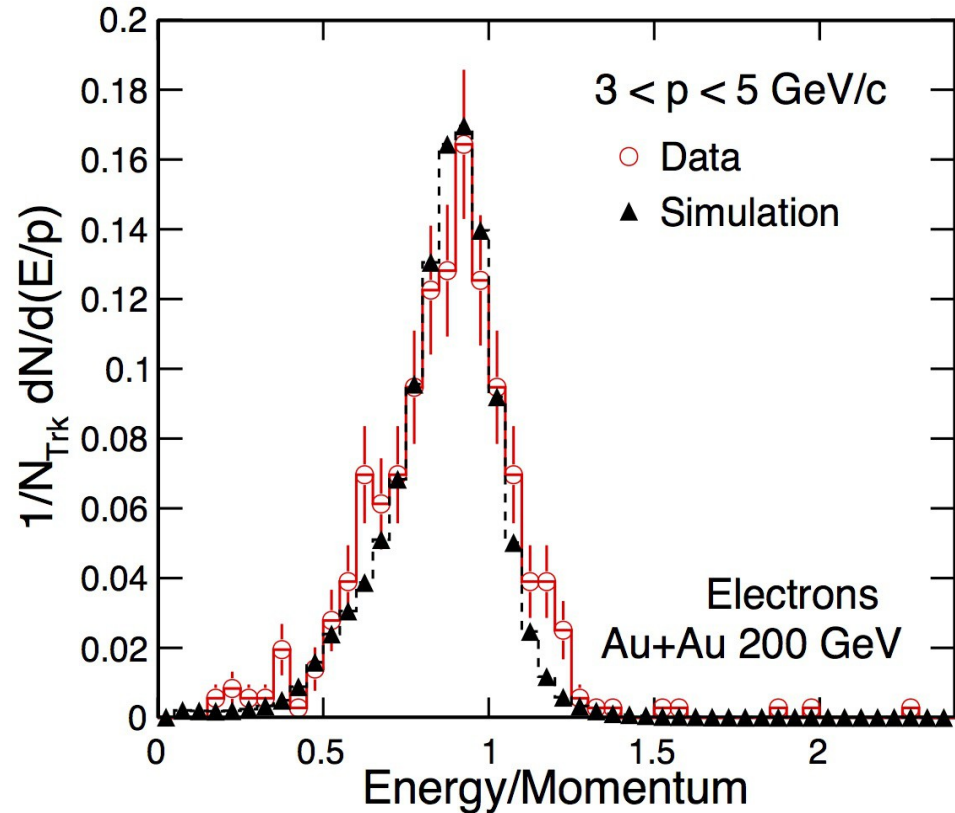
Particle Identification: high p_T

dE/dx normalized to electrons.

$$n\sigma_e = \log \left(\frac{dE/dx|_{\text{measured}}}{dE/dx|_{\text{Bethe-Bloch}}} \right) / \sigma_e$$



BEMC energy to momentum ratio E/p .



BEMC energy E , TPC momentum p , $E/p \sim 1$ for electrons.
Good electron-hadron separation in E/p for $p > 1.5$ GeV/c.

Results

Results from quarkonium production at STAR have been obtained in p+p, d+Au, and Au+Au collisions

- *Production in p+p collisions*
 - *understand production mechanism*
 - *provide baseline for heavy ion collisions*
- *Production in d+Au*
 - *constrain modification from cold nuclear matter effects*
- *Production in Au+Au*
 - *constrain modifications from hot nuclear matter effects*



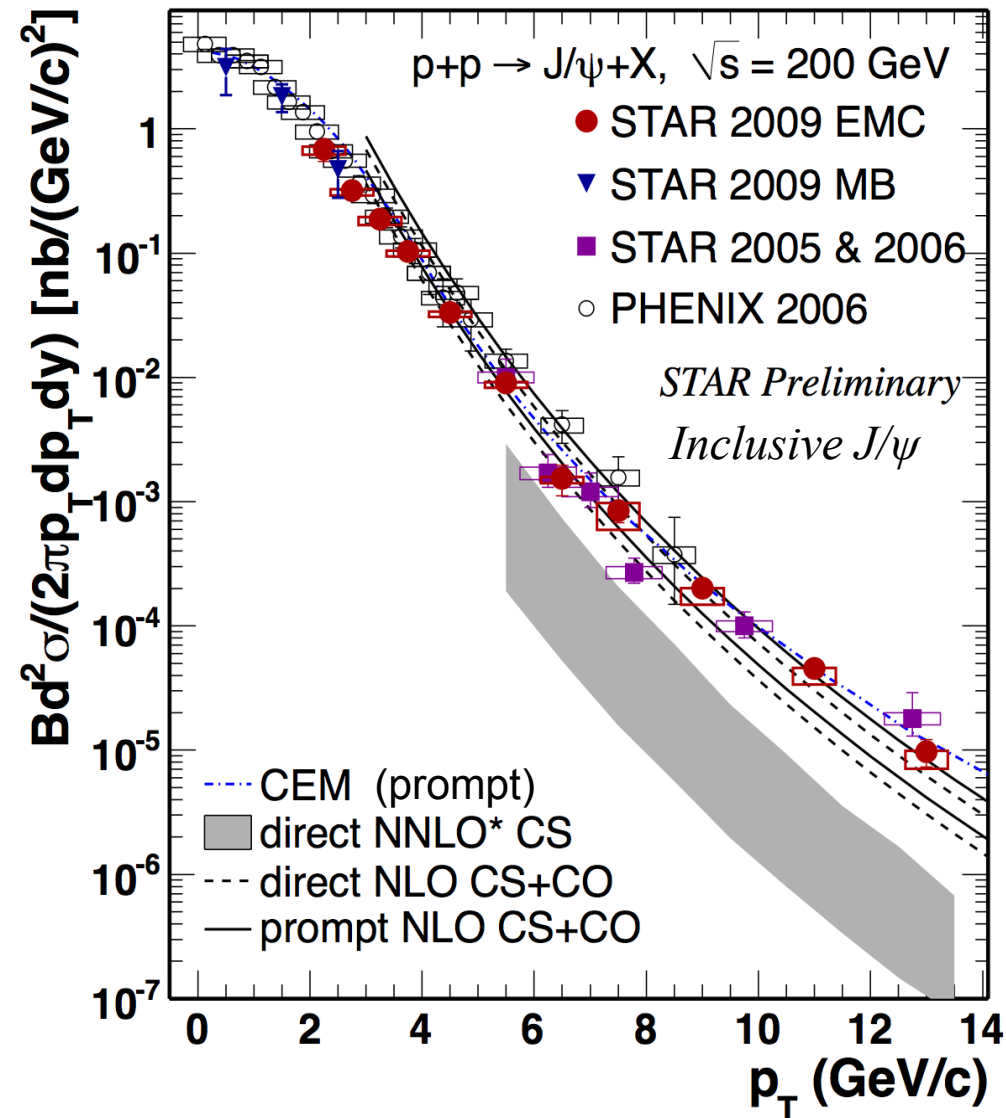
J/ψ in p+p at 200 GeV

Look at p_T spectrum in p+p to understand production mechanism.

- Color singlet model: direct NNLO* still misses high- p_T ;
- NLO CS+CO: describes data reasonably well at high p_T ;
- Color Evaporation Model: describes the data reasonably well across the p_T range

[No B feed-down in models]

STAR: Phys. Rev. C80, 041902(R) (2009); Arxiv:1208.2736;
PHENIX: Phys. Rev. D 82, 012001 (2010)
NNLO* CS: Phys. Rev. Lett. 101, 152001 (2008)
NLO CS+CO: Phys. Rev. D84, 51 114001 (2011)
CEM: hep-ph/0311048, and R.Vogt private communication

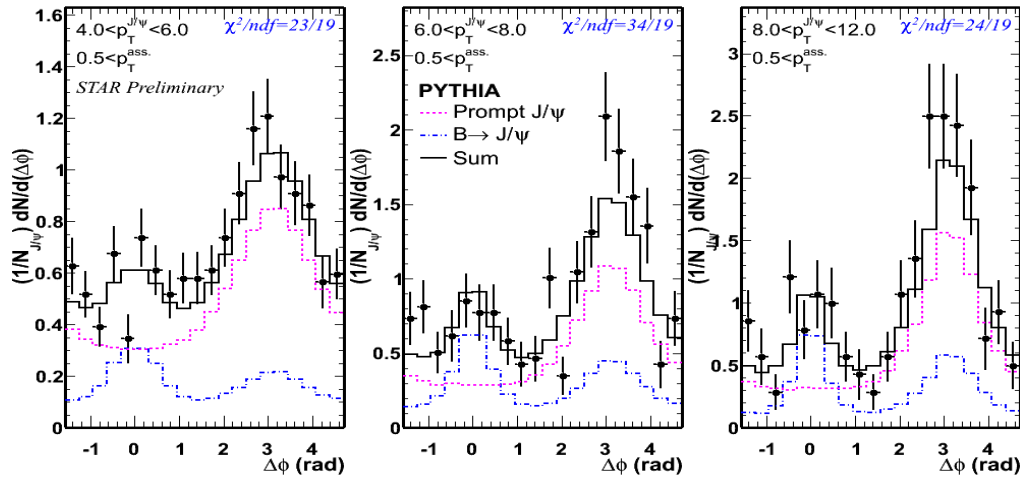


B \rightarrow J/ ψ (incl.) decays

J/ ψ -hadron azimuthal correlations

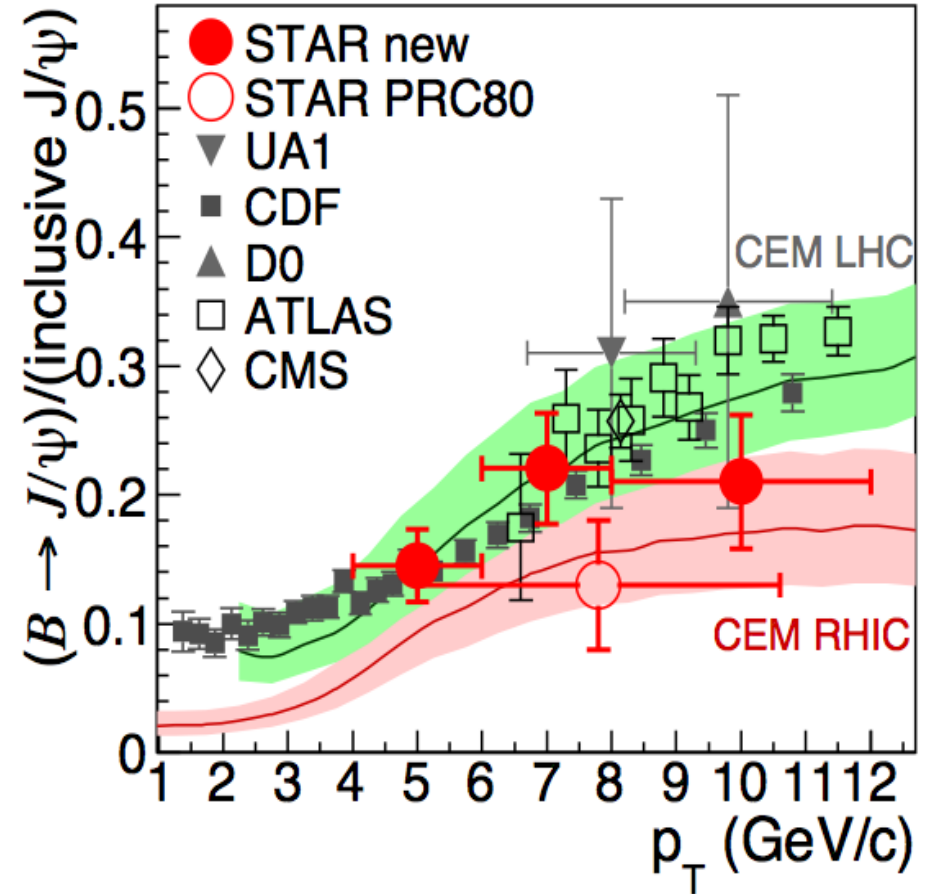
Separate prompt J/ ψ from
B \rightarrow J/ ψ feed-down:

$$\bullet J/\psi_{Total} = J/\psi_{Prompt} + J/\psi_{B \rightarrow J/\psi}$$



Model based extraction using PYTHIA

Arxiv:1208.2736;

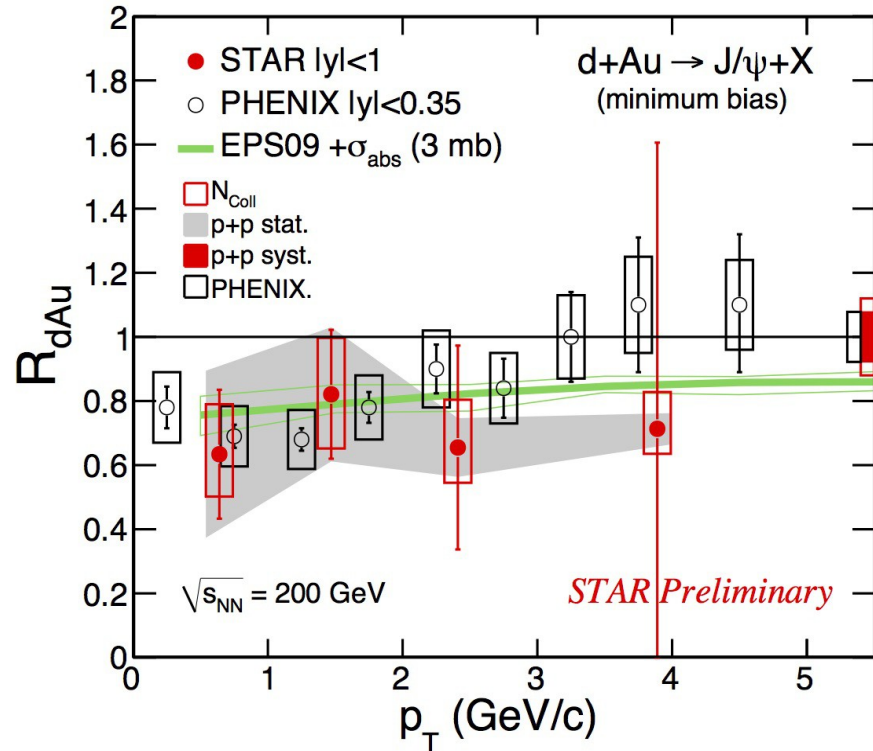
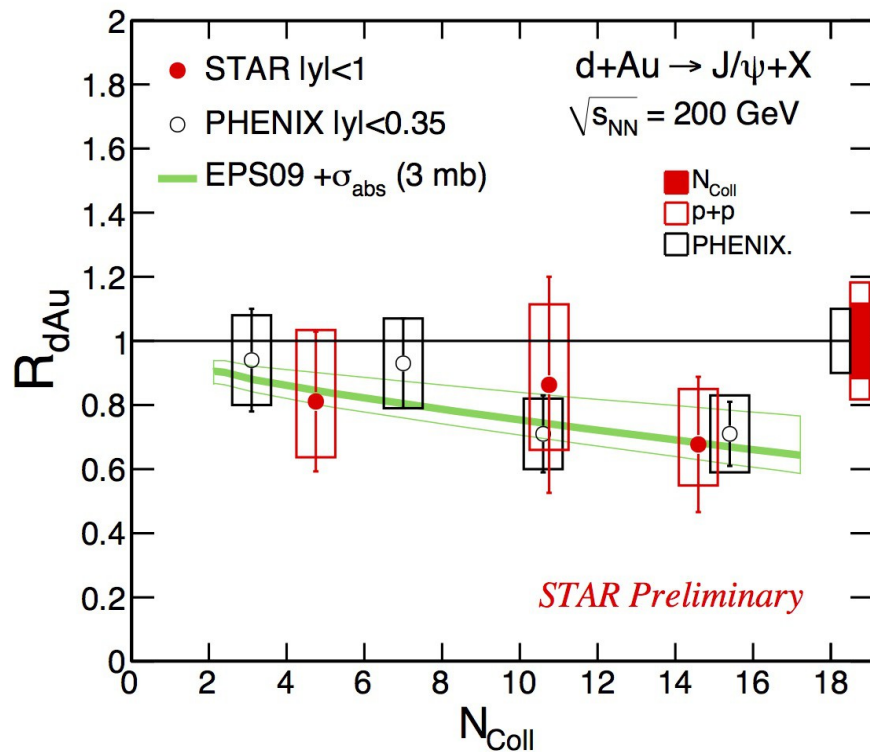


Contribution from B \rightarrow J/ ψ decay \sim 10 – 25 %
in p+p collisions at 200 GeV



J/ψ in d+Au at 200 GeV

J/ψ in d+Au collisions used to constrain CNM effects.



Suppression in central d+Au collisions, however large uncertainties.

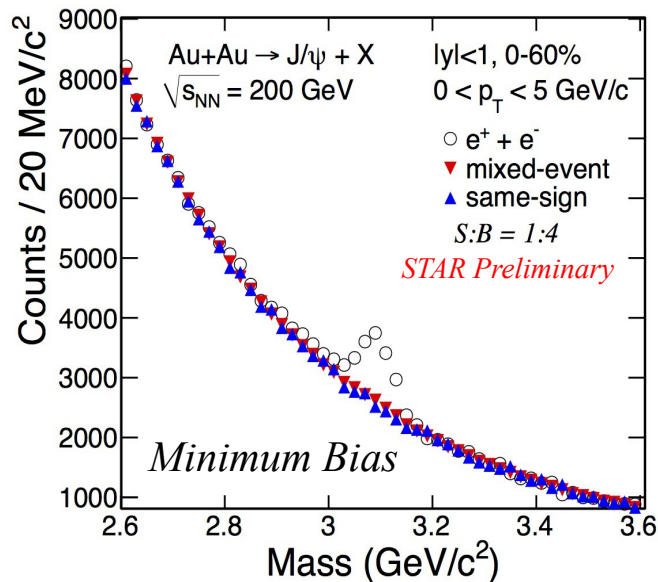
EPS09 nPDFs + absorption cross section (fit to STAR data):

$$\sigma_{abs} = 2.8^{+3.5}_{-2.6} \text{ (stat.) }^{+4.0}_{-2.8} \text{ (syst.) }^{+1.8}_{-1.1} \text{ (EPS09)}$$

EPS09, Nucl. Phys. A 830, 599 (2009) R. Vogt, Phys. Rev. C 81, 044903 (2010)

More data required for precise measurement!

J/ψ in Au+Au at 200 GeV

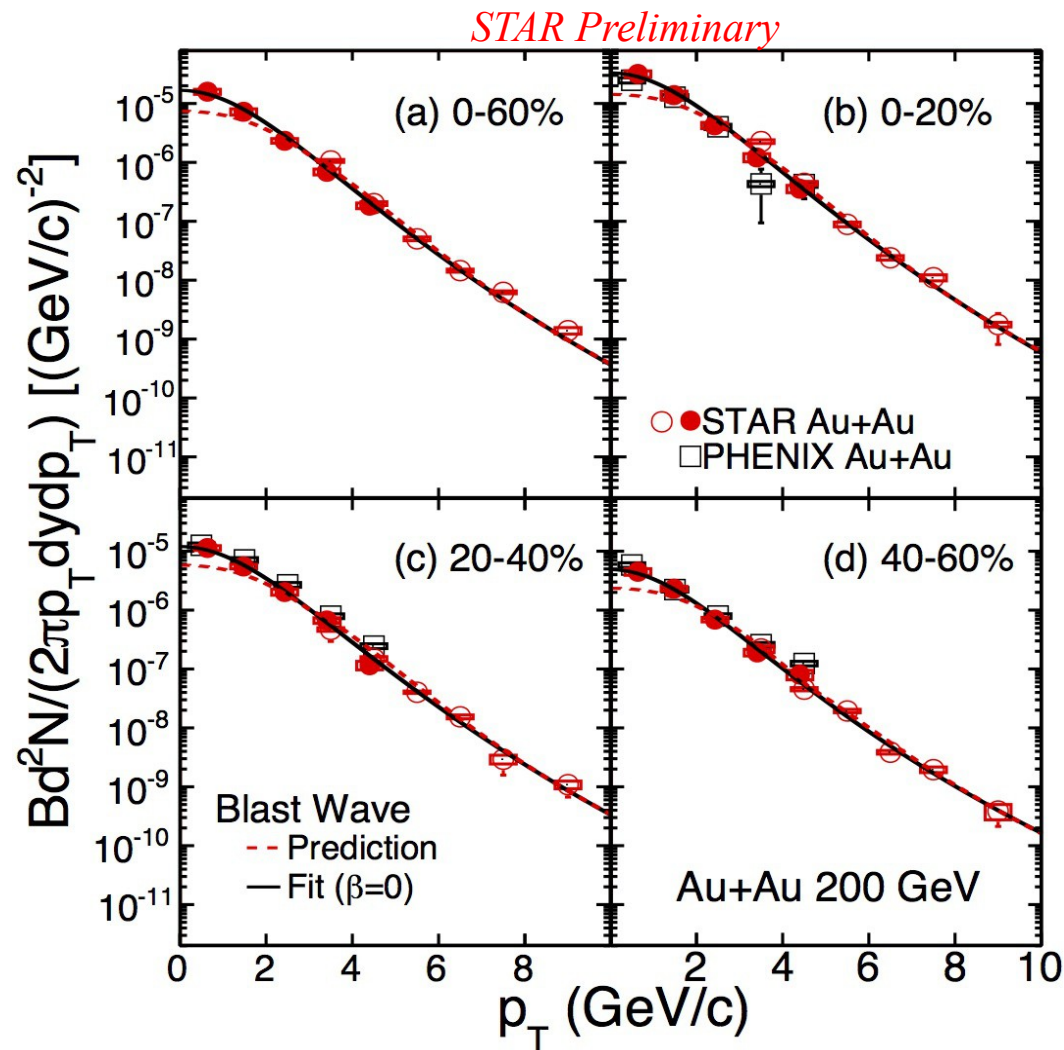


STAR p_T spectrum extended to $0 < p_T < 10$ GeV/c.

Softer spectra as compared to Blast Wave for lighter hadrons.

→ Regeneration at low- p_T ?

→ Smaller radial flow?

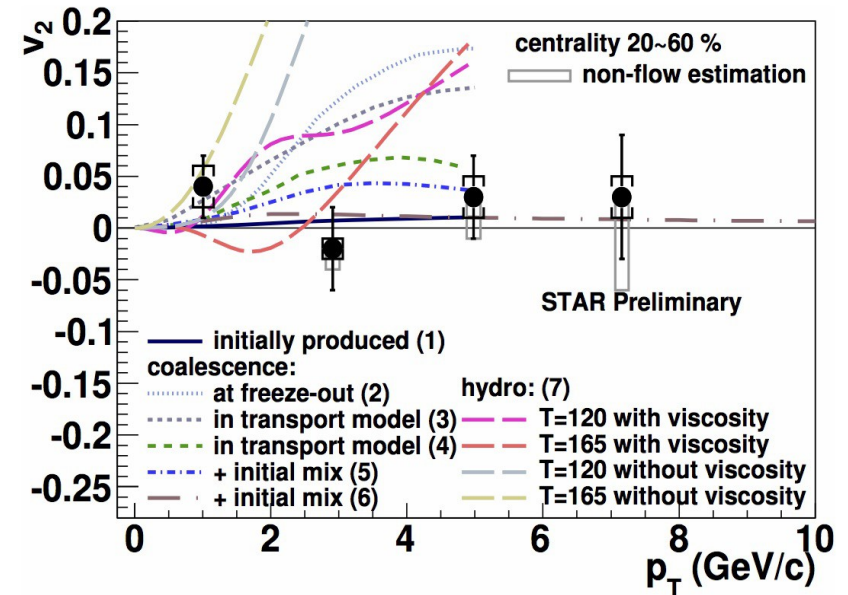
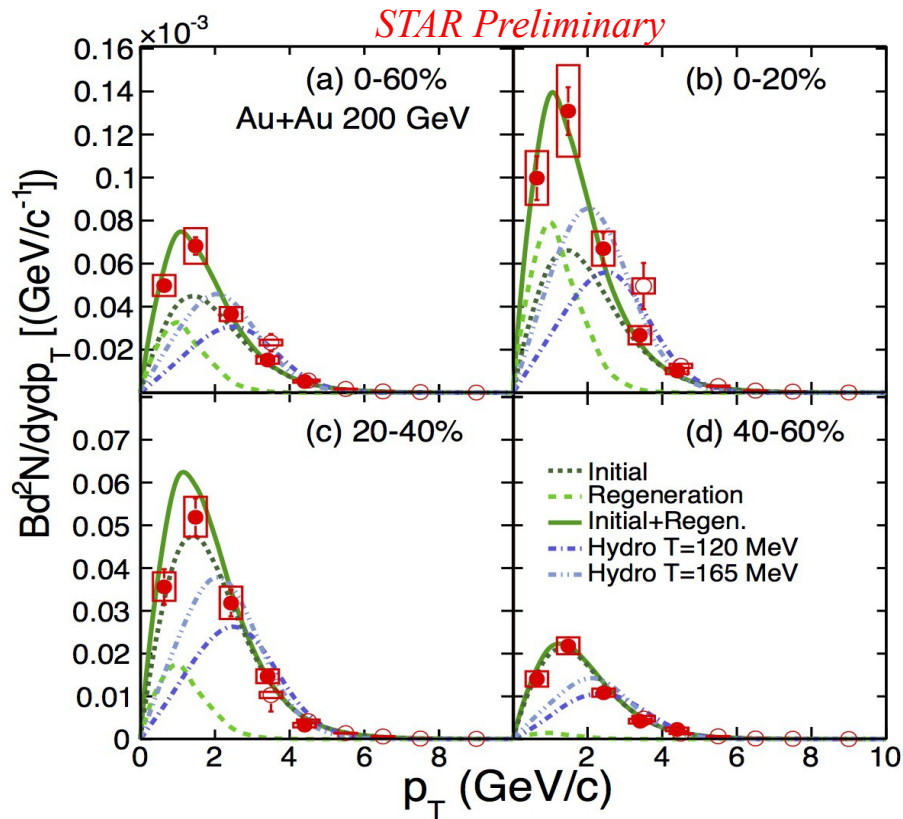


STAR: Arxiv:1208.2736, Arxiv:1111.6944v2
 PHENIX: Phs.Rev.Lett.98:232301,2007
 Tsallis Blast-Wave model: arXiv:1101.1912,
 JPG 37, 08194 (2010)



J/ψ in Au+Au at 200 GeV

J/ψ from recombination of thermalized charm quarks expected to acquire flow and populate low p_T → *Look at J/ψ p_T spectrum and v_2*



*J/ψ v_2 consistent with zero within errors.
 Disfavor regeneration from thermalized charm quarks in 20-60%.*

→ *Good agreement with initial + regeneration.*

→ *Regeneration expected to be significant in 0-20%.*

(1) (4) *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 97, 232301 (2006)

(2) *Phys. Lett. B* 595, 202 (2004)

(3) *Phys. Lett. B* 655, 126 (2008)

(5) X.Zhao, R.Rapp, 24th WWND (2008)

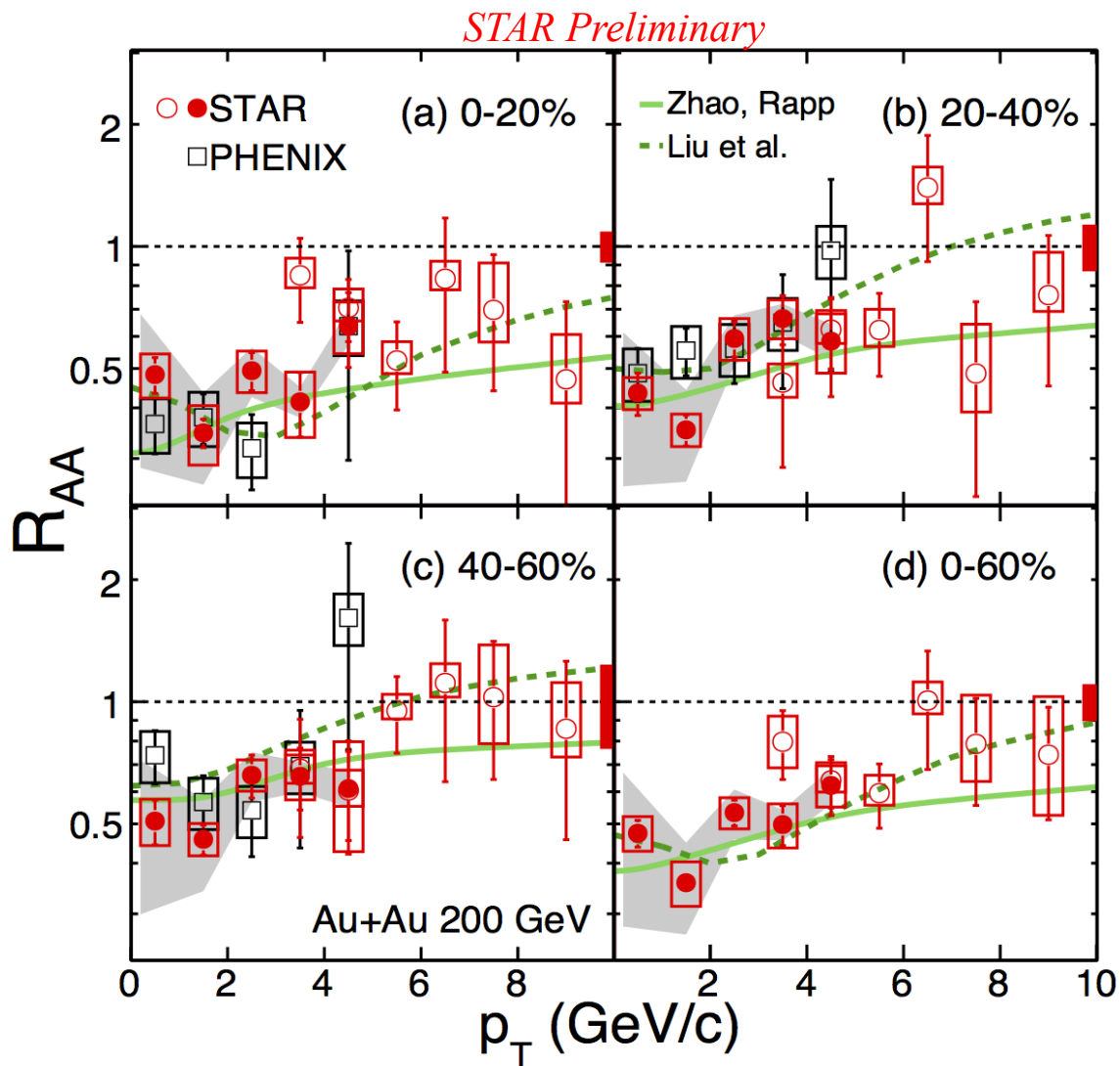
(6) *Nucl. Phys. A* 834, 317 (2010)

(7) U.Heinz, C. Shen, private communication
Phys. Lett B. 678, 72 (2009).



J/ψ in Au+Au at 200 GeV

J/ψ nuclear modification factor R_{AA} versus p_T .



Good agreement with theory (initial + regeneration).

Suppression for $p_T < 5$ GeV/c \rightarrow color screening

Increase of R_{AA} with p_T [$R_{AA} \sim 1$ for $p_T > 5$ GeV/c in 40-60%] \rightarrow formation time effects?

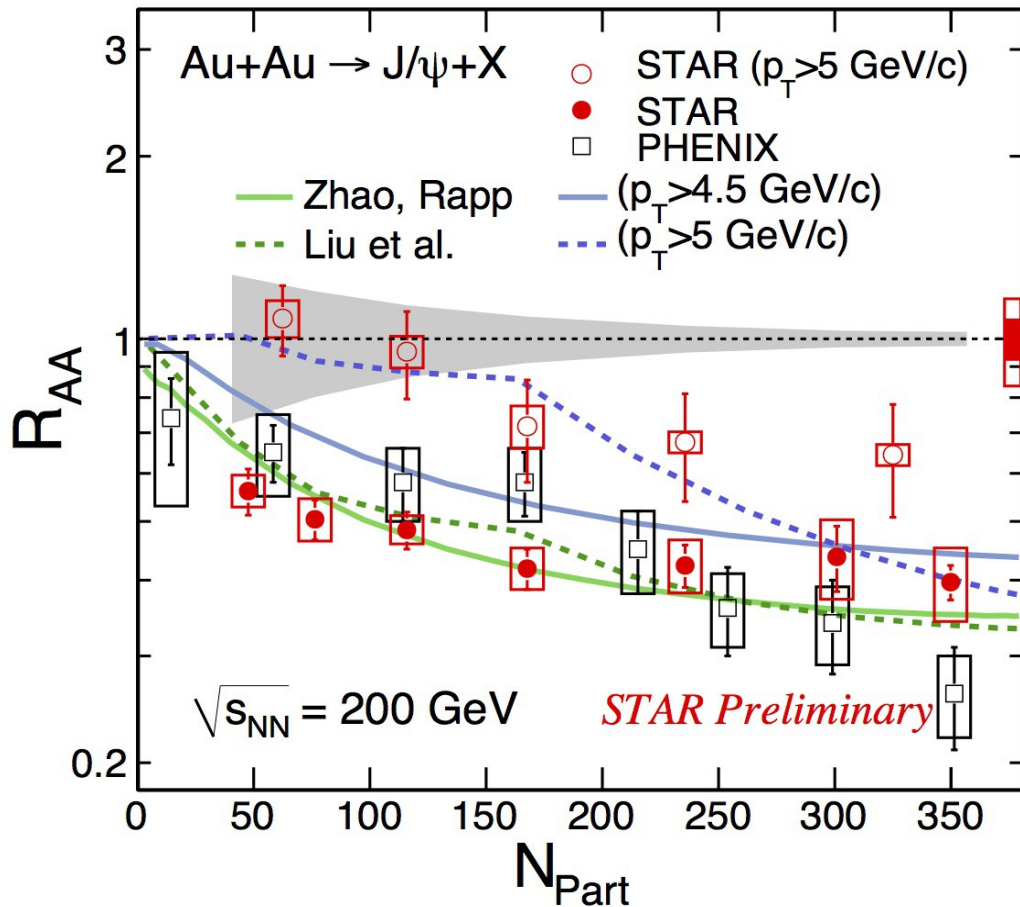
Expect an increase in R_{AA} at low p_T in central events from regeneration.

STAR: Arxiv:1208.2736, Arxiv:1111.6944v2
 PHENIX: Phs.Rev.Lett.98:232301,2007
 Zhao, Rapp: Phys. Rev. C 82, 064905 (2010)
 Liu et. al: Phys. Lett B. 678, 72 (2009).



J/ψ in Au+Au at 200 GeV

J/ψ nuclear modification factor R_{AA} versus N_{part} .



STAR: Arxiv:1208.2736, Arxiv:1111.6944v2
 PHENIX: Phs.Rev.Lett.98:232301,2007
 Zhao, Rapp: Phys. Rev. C 82, 064905 (2010)
 Liu et. al: Phys. Lett B. 678, 72 (2009).

Good agreement with theory (initial + regeneration).

→ Zhao, Rapp under-estimate R_{AA} at high- p_T

Significant suppression in central events

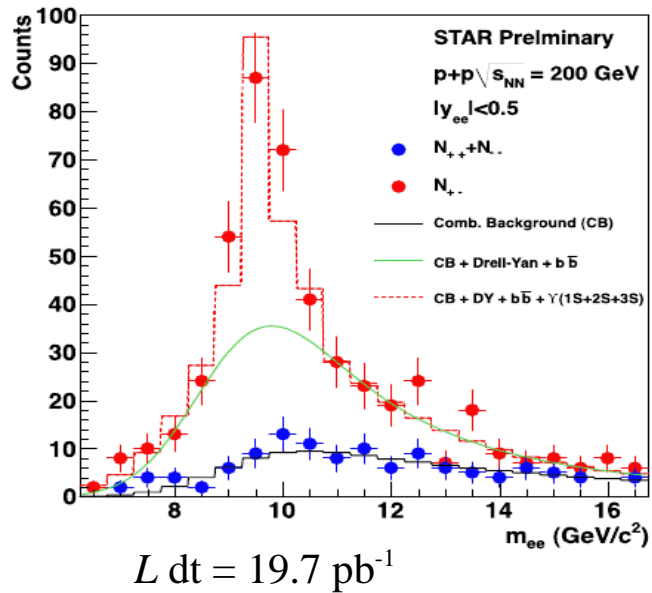
→ high p_T is less sensitive to regeneration, cold nuclear effects.

Less suppression at high p_T compared to low p_T

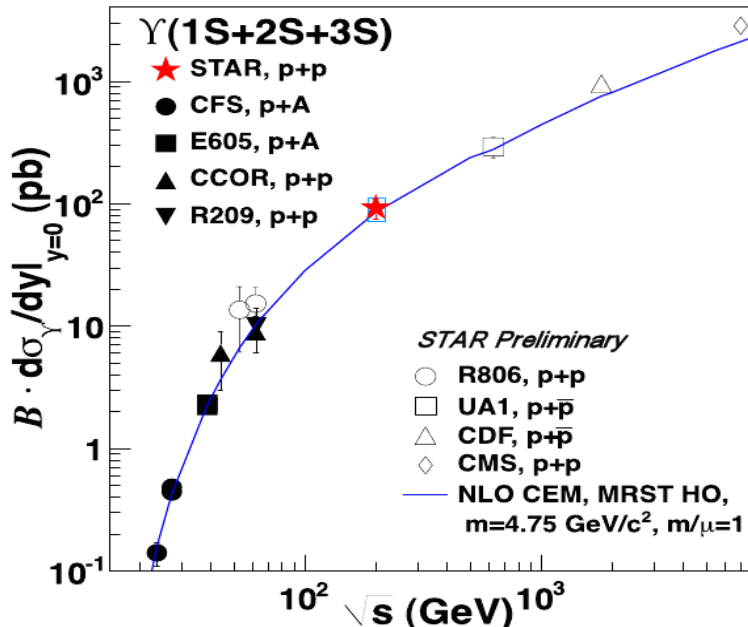
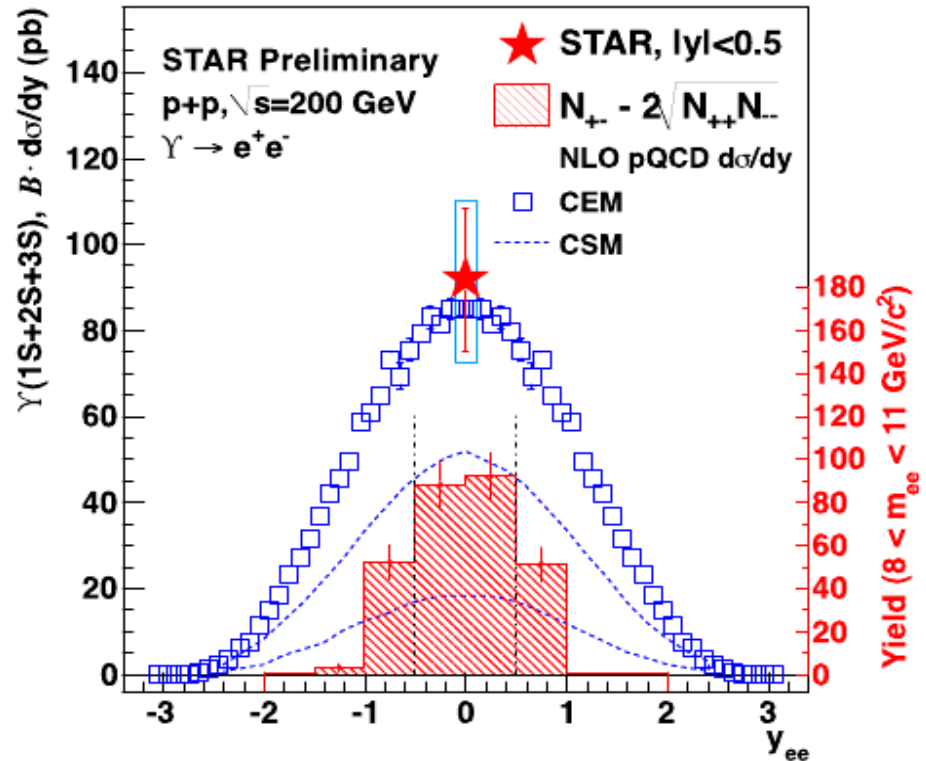
→ formation time effects?



Υ in p+p at 200 GeV



$$\Upsilon(1S+2S+3S) \rightarrow e^+ + e^-$$



$$\sum_{n=1} \mathcal{B}(nS) \times \sigma(nS) = 91.8 \pm 16.6 \pm 19 \text{ pb}$$

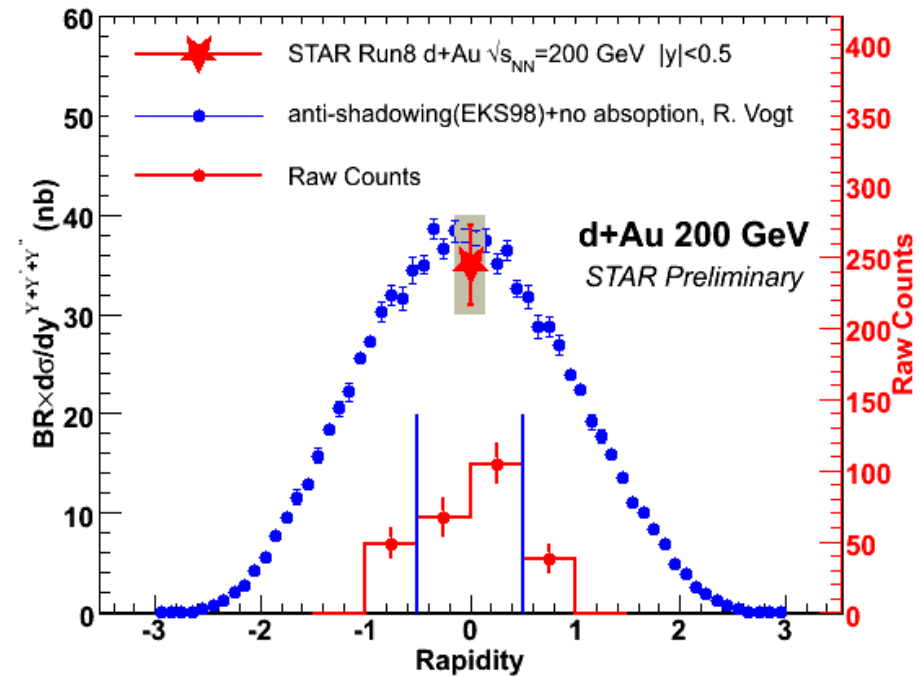
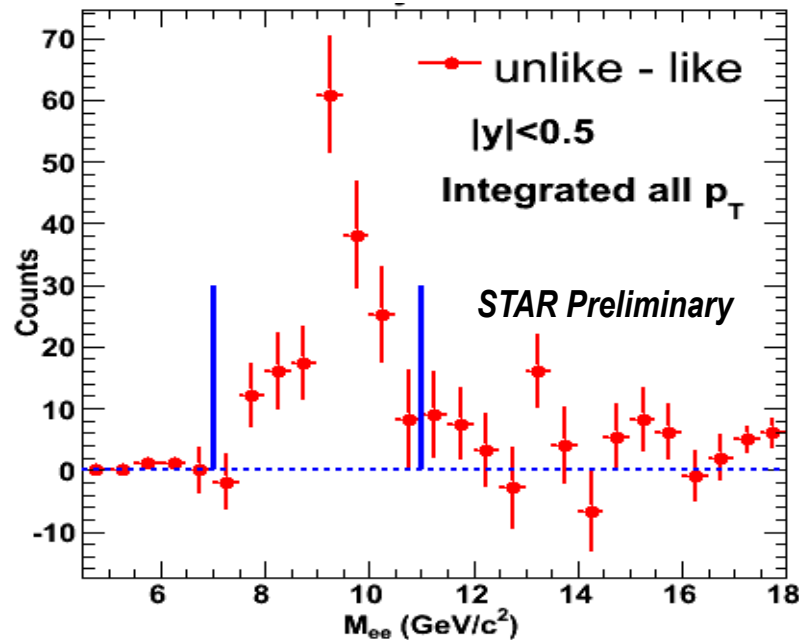
Good agreement with NLO CEM and world data trend.

CEM: R. Vogt, Phys. Rep. 462125, 2008
CSM: J.P. Lansberg and S. Brodsky, PRD 81, 051502, 2010



Υ in d+Au at 200 GeV

Υ is heavier than J/ψ , less sensitive to nuclear absorption.



Good agreement with anti-shadowing (EKS98) and no Υ nuclear absorption.

$$R_{\text{dAu}} = 0.78 \pm 0.28 \pm 0.20$$

Drell-Yan and $b\bar{b}$ not subtracted.

Published 2006 p+p cross section used as baseline (~ 114 pb).



Υ in Au+Au at 200 GeV

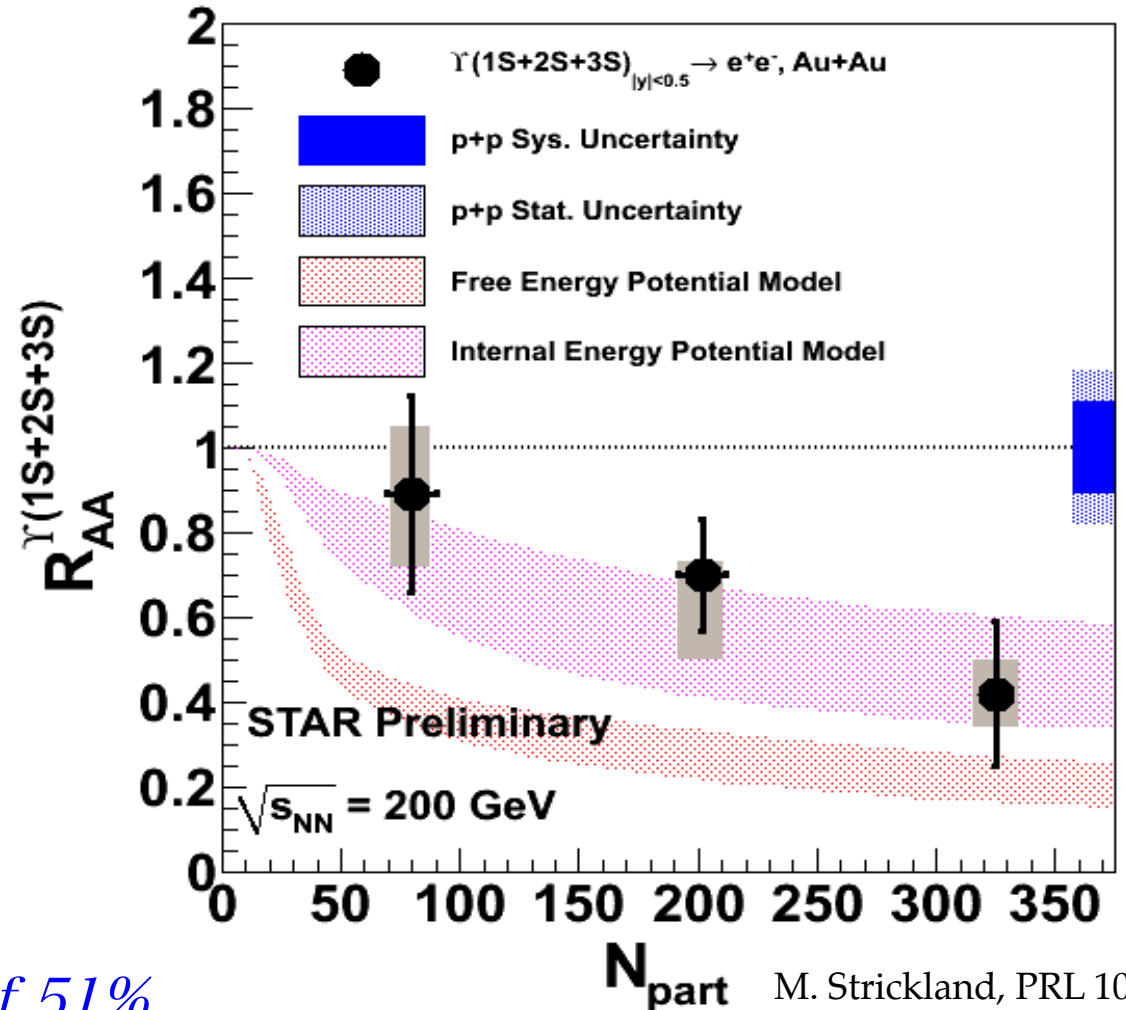
Υ nuclear modification factor R_{AA} versus N_{part}

*Suppression increases with increasing centrality
→ color screening*

*Lattice-based potentials
→ Disfavors free energy
→ Consistent with internal energy*

*Calculations include melting and feed down
($\chi_b \sim 50\%$)*

*Consistent with complete melting of higher states
 $\Upsilon(2S+3S)$
→ assumes a direct fraction of 51%*



M. Strickland, PRL 107, 132301 (2011).



Summary

In p+p collisions:

- J/ψ p_T spectrum extended to $0 < p_T < 14$ GeV/c;
- $B \rightarrow J/\psi$ feed-down calculated at 10-25%;
- High statistics Υ cross section consistent with NLO CEM.

In d+Au collisions:

- Suppression of J/ψ in central events;
- J/ψ R_{dA} fitted with EPS09 shadowing + absorption, J/ψ absorption cross section σ_{abs} extracted;
- Υ R_{dA} consistent with EKS98 anti-shadowing + no abs.

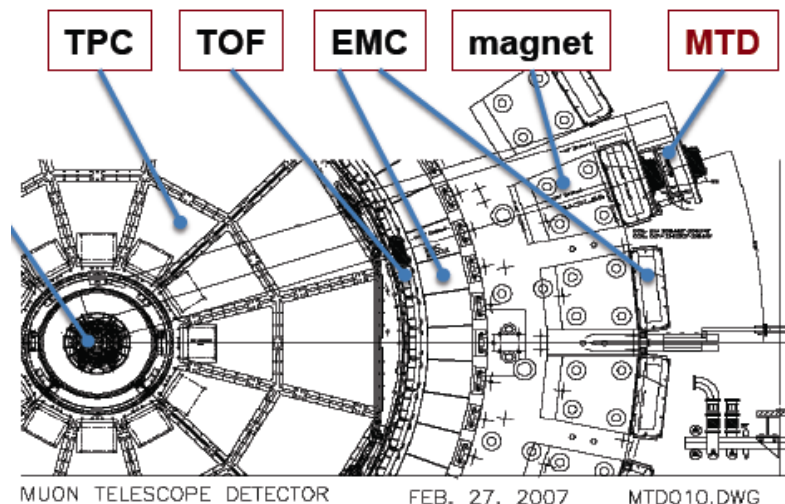
In Au+Au collisions:

- J/ψ p_T spectrum softer than TBW from light hadrons, disfavors hydro, good agreement with initial+regeneration;
- J/ψ v_2 consistent with zero, favors initial (initial+regen.);
- J/ψ R_{AA} suppressed in central events, decreasing at high p_T and in peripheral collisions, agrees with initial+regen.;
- Υ suppressed in central events, good agreement with lattice-based internal energy potential.



Future

Muon Telescope Detector



MRPC technology (similar to TOF)

Acceptance ~ 45% ($|\eta| < 0.5$)

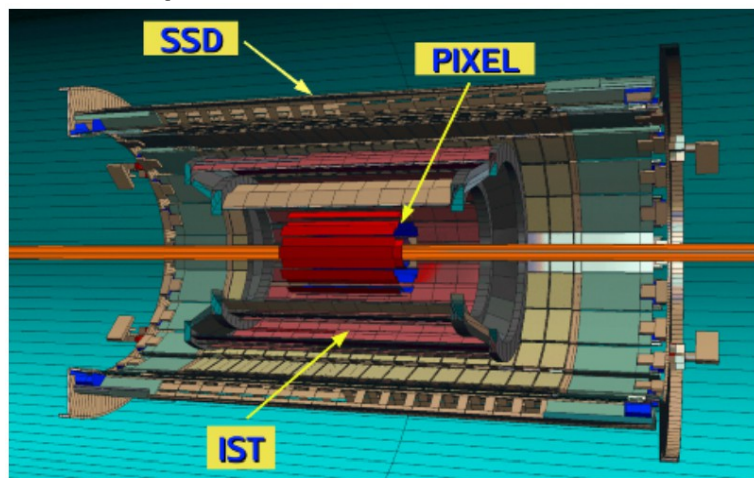
*118 modules, 1416 readout strips,
2832 readout channels*

No photon conversion

Less Dalitz decay

*→ J/ψ trigger across p_T range in
central Au+Au collisions*

Heavy Flavor Tracker



Pixel and silicon strip detector:

*PXL: 2 layers of CMOS pixel detectors
(2.5, 8 cm)*

*IST: low mass silicon strip sensor
(14 cm)*

*SSD: double-sided silicon strip detector
(22 cm)*

Constrain $B \rightarrow J/\psi$ feed-down