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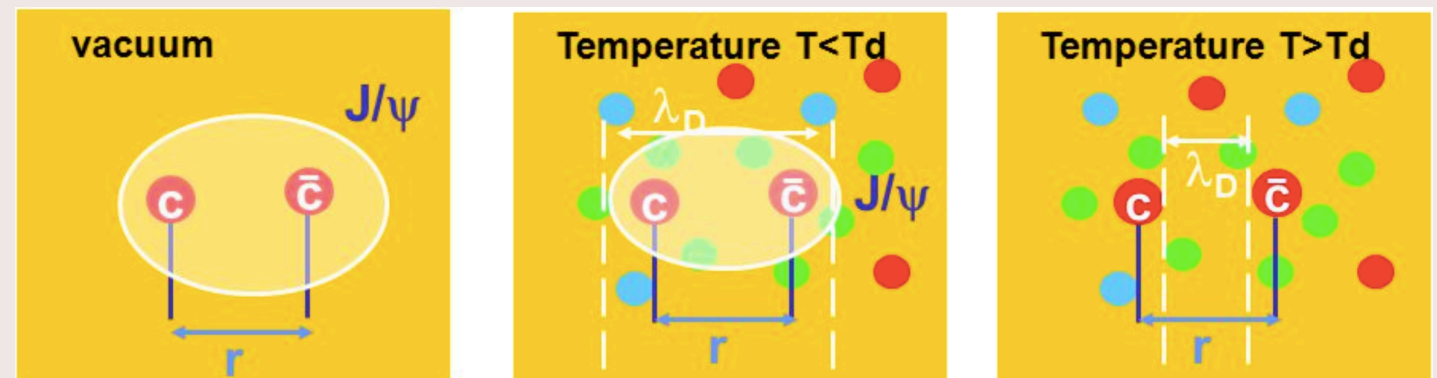
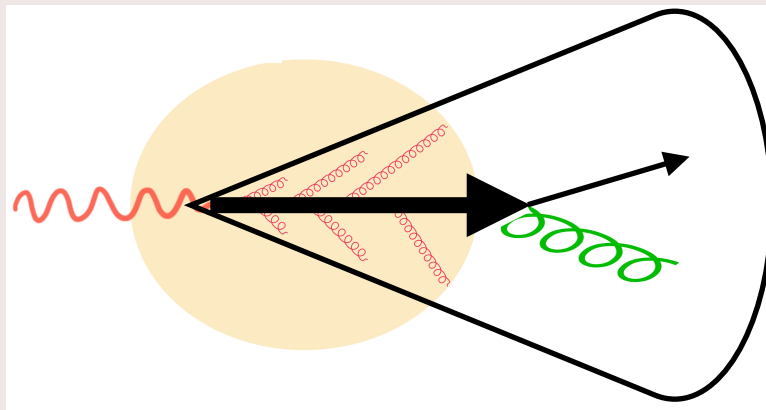
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Jets and heavy quarkonia production in small system collisions at RHIC

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Hard probes of the QGP



Colored partons of varying virtuality resolve structure of medium at different scales; jets are broadened and softened

$Q\bar{Q}$ pairs are Debye screened by color charges in the medium; excited states dissociate (\rightarrow suppressed dilepton yields) at different T s

2015 NP LRP

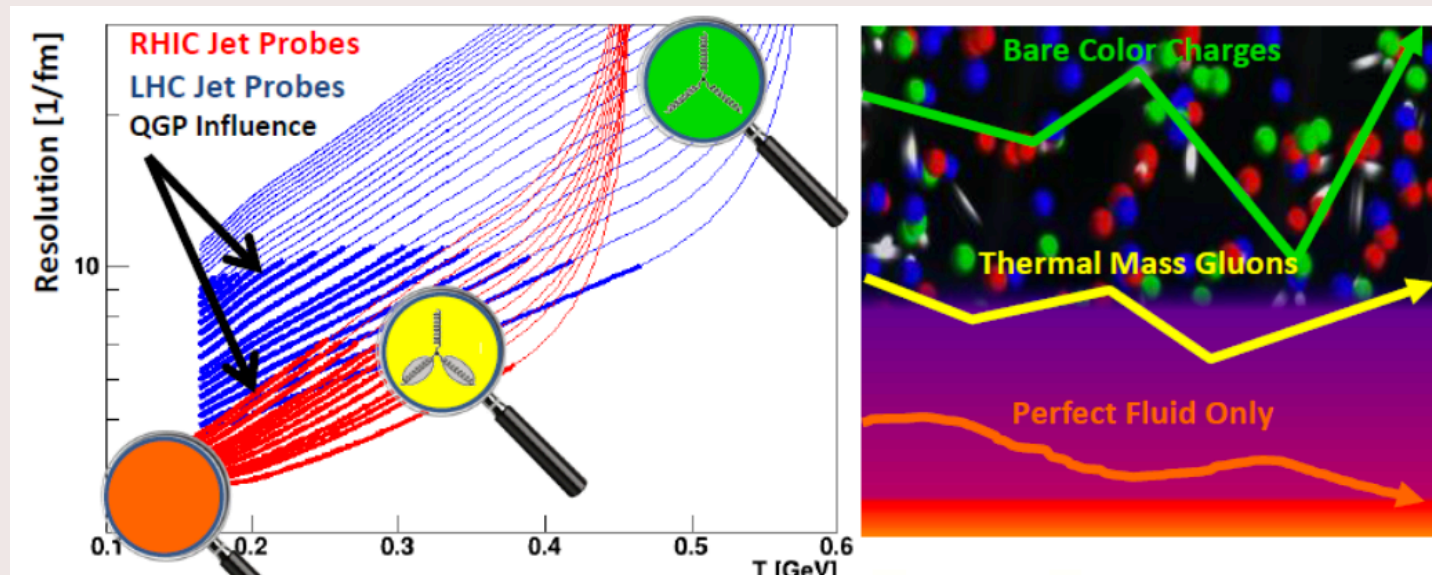
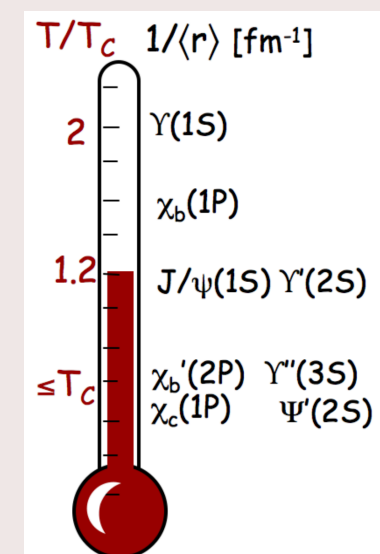
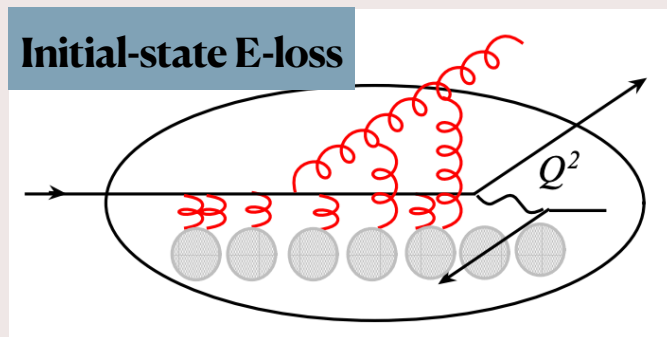
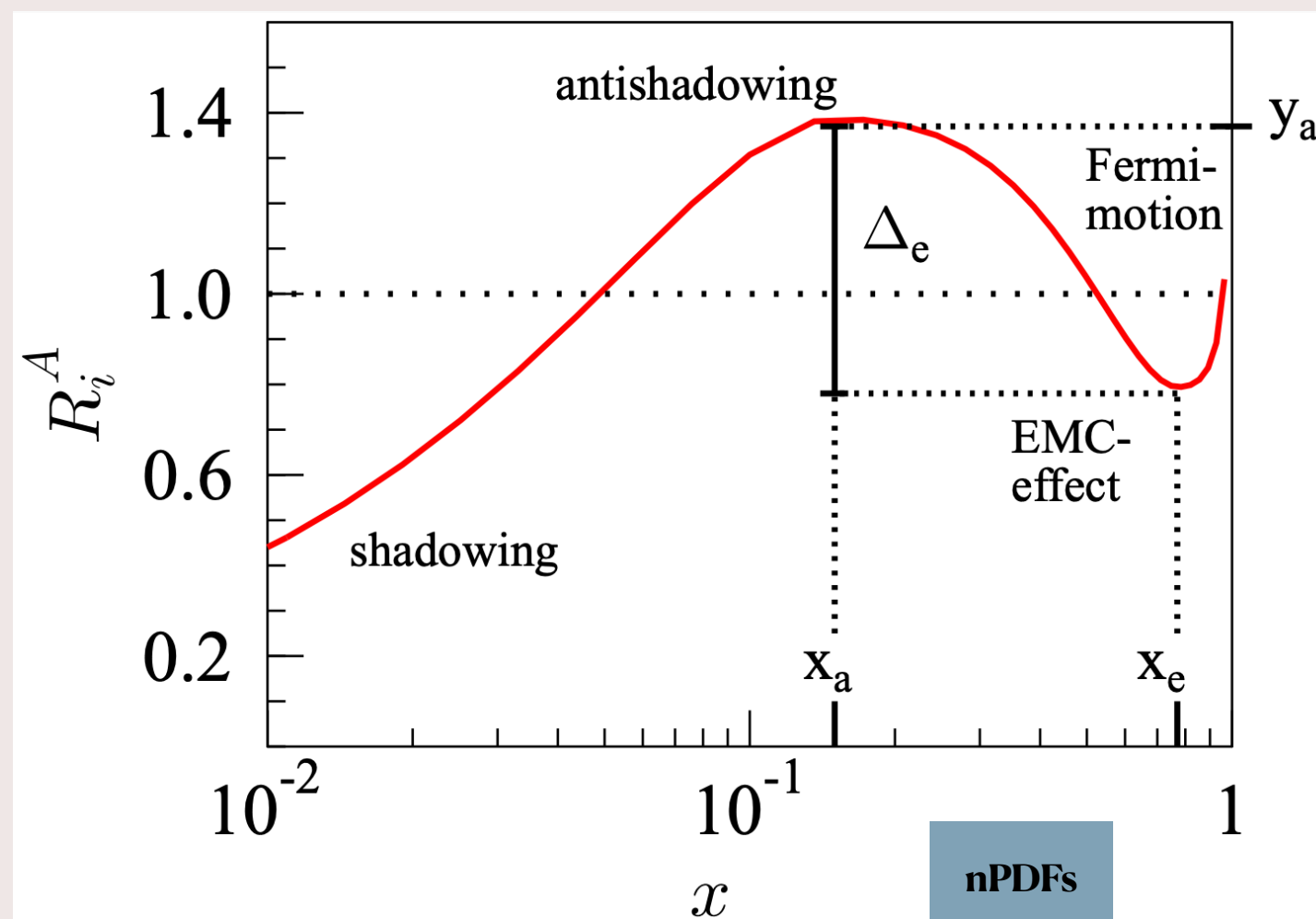
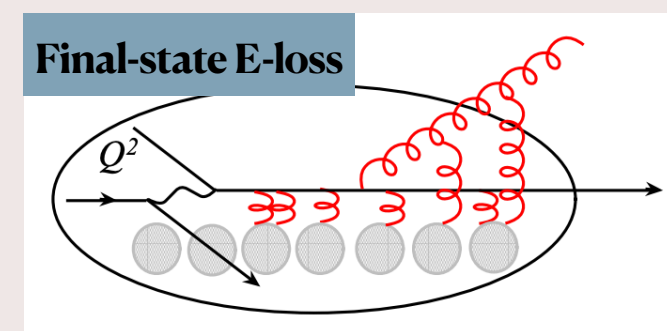


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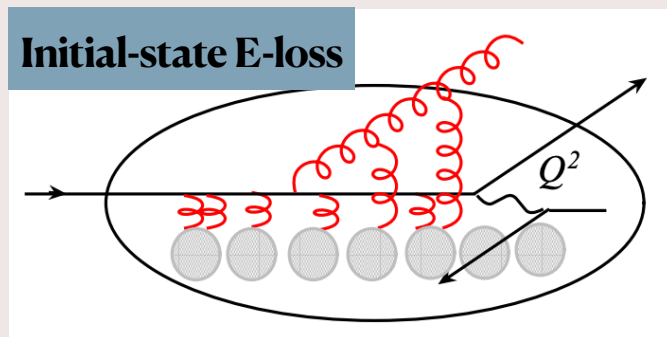


CNM effects (on jets)

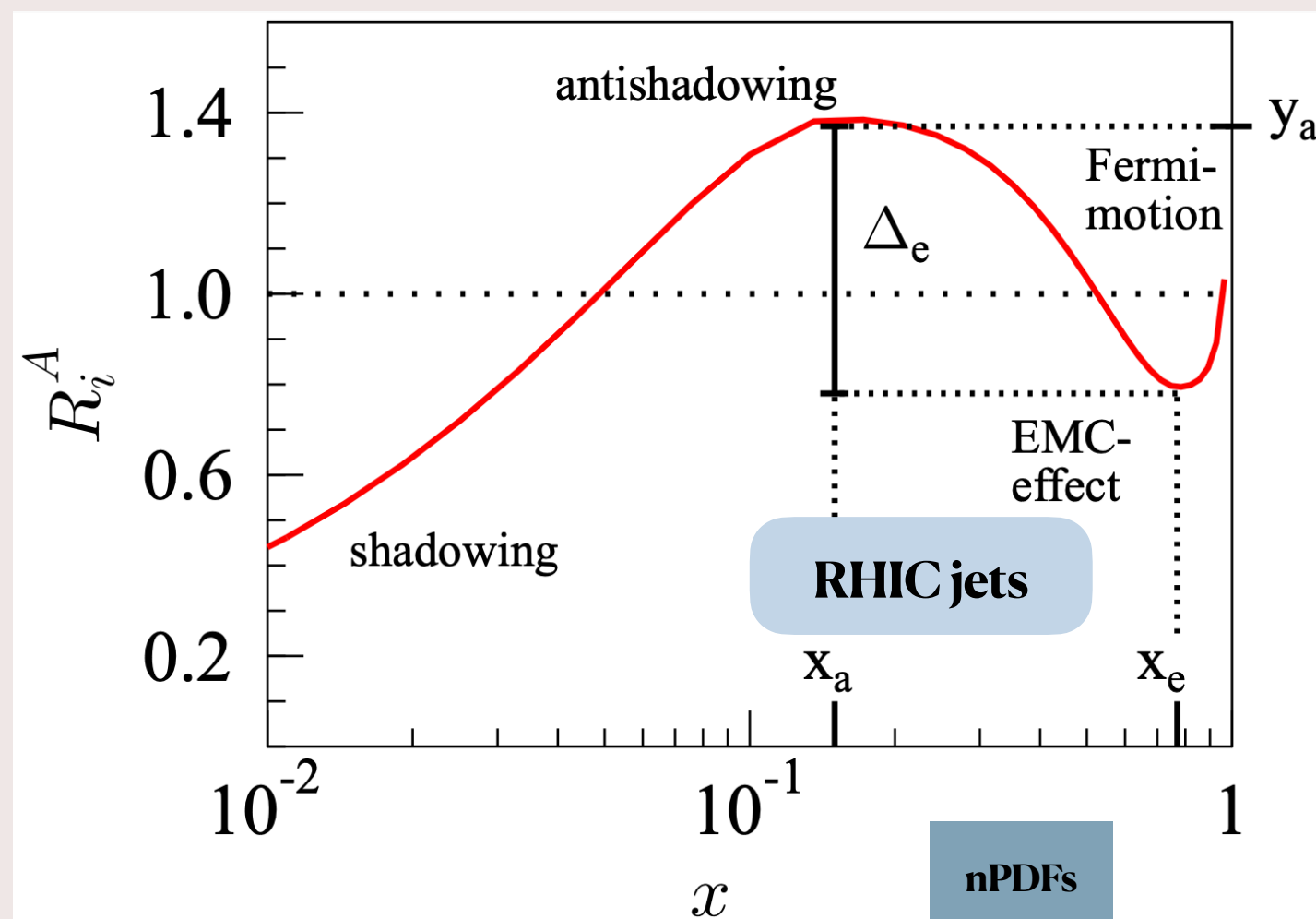
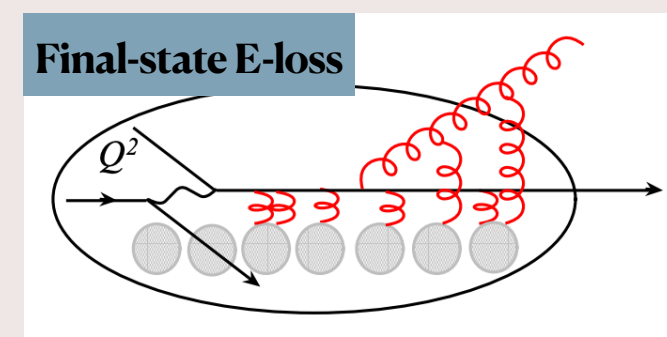


[Eskola, Paukkunen, Salgado, JHEP 07 102 \(2008\)](#)

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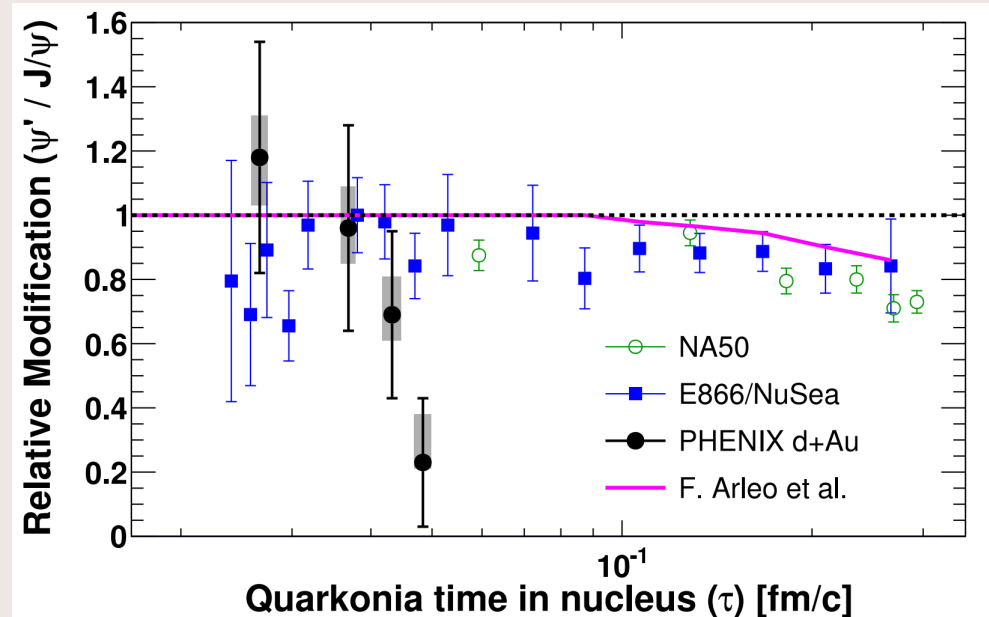
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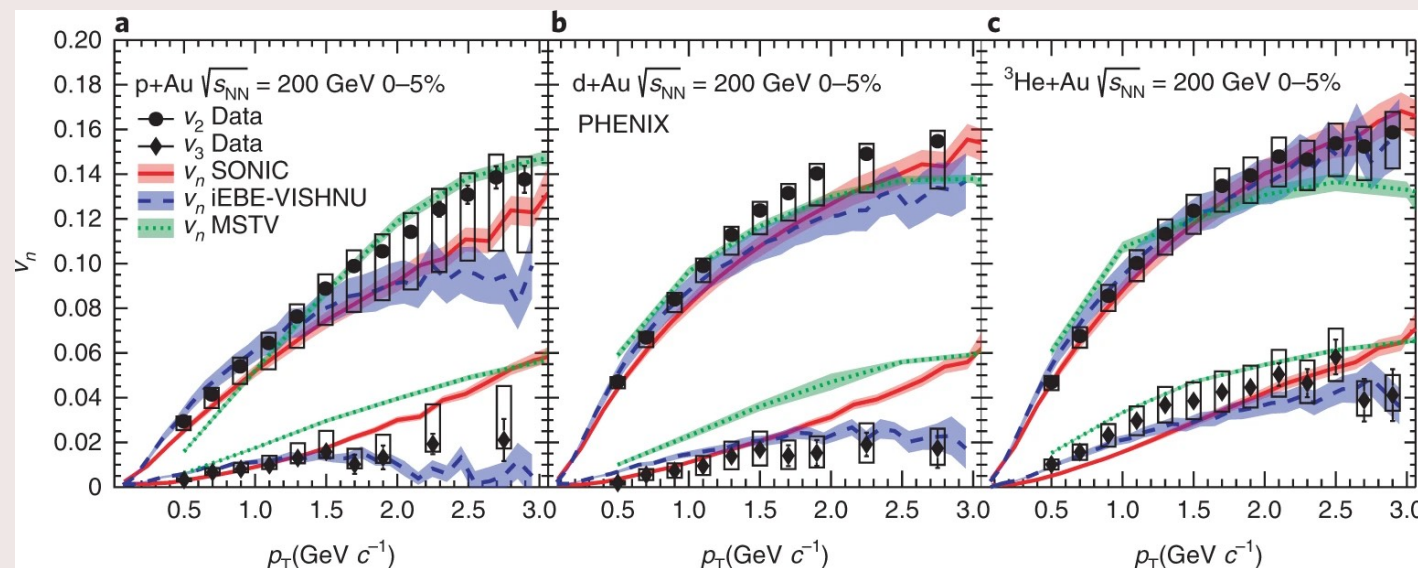
Introduction to small systems

(Potential) hot nuclear matter effects

[PHENIX, PRL 111, 202301 \(2013\)](#)



PHENIX measured different nuclear modification of $\psi(2S)$ and J/ψ
 → final state effect



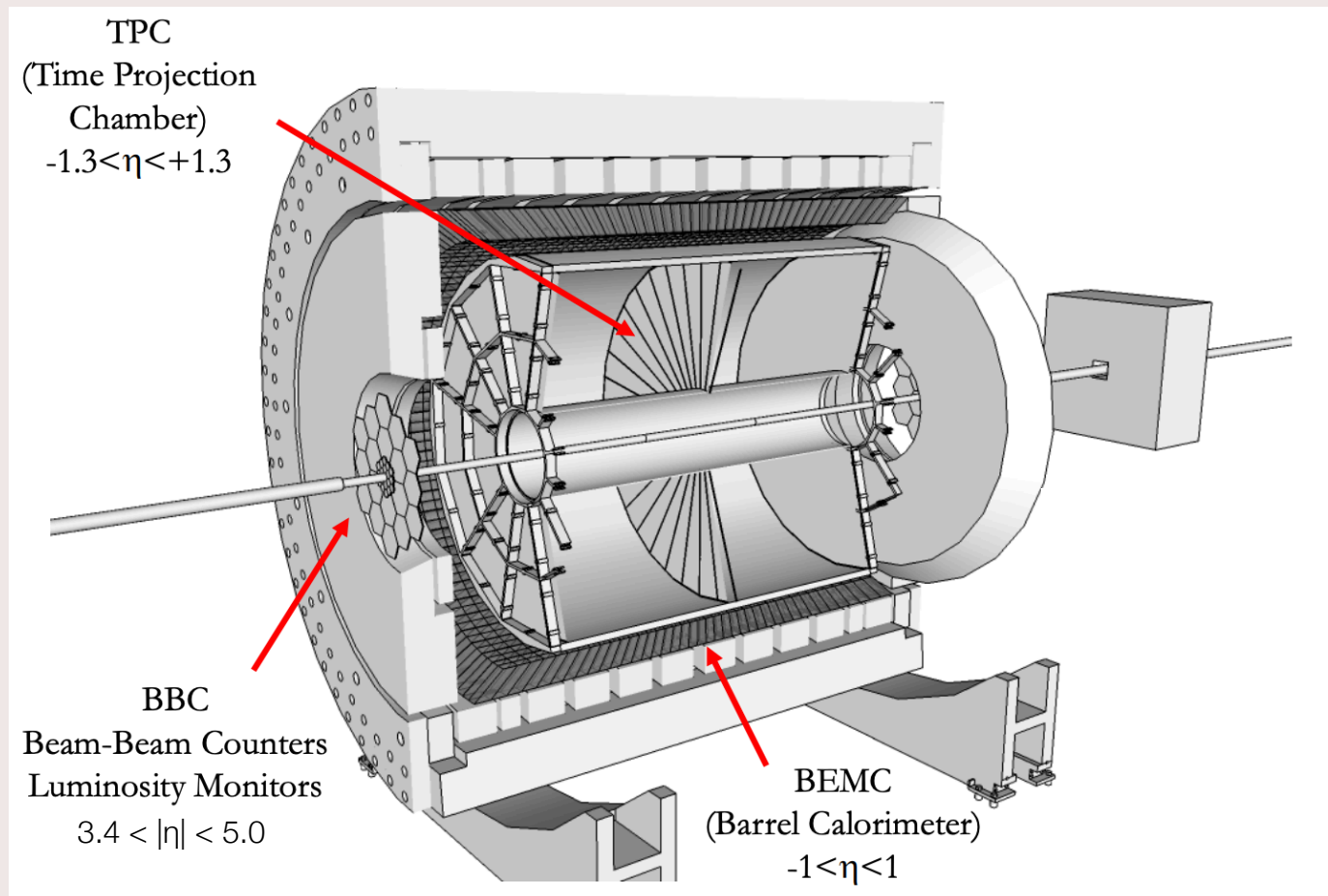
[PHENIX, Nat. Phys. 15, 214–220 \(2019\)](#)

PHENIX observes flow in small systems (going back to 2013¹)
 (although disagreement with STAR, see [Belmont, RHIC/AGS AUM 2020](#))

Can we test for hot nuclear matter effects with hard probes?

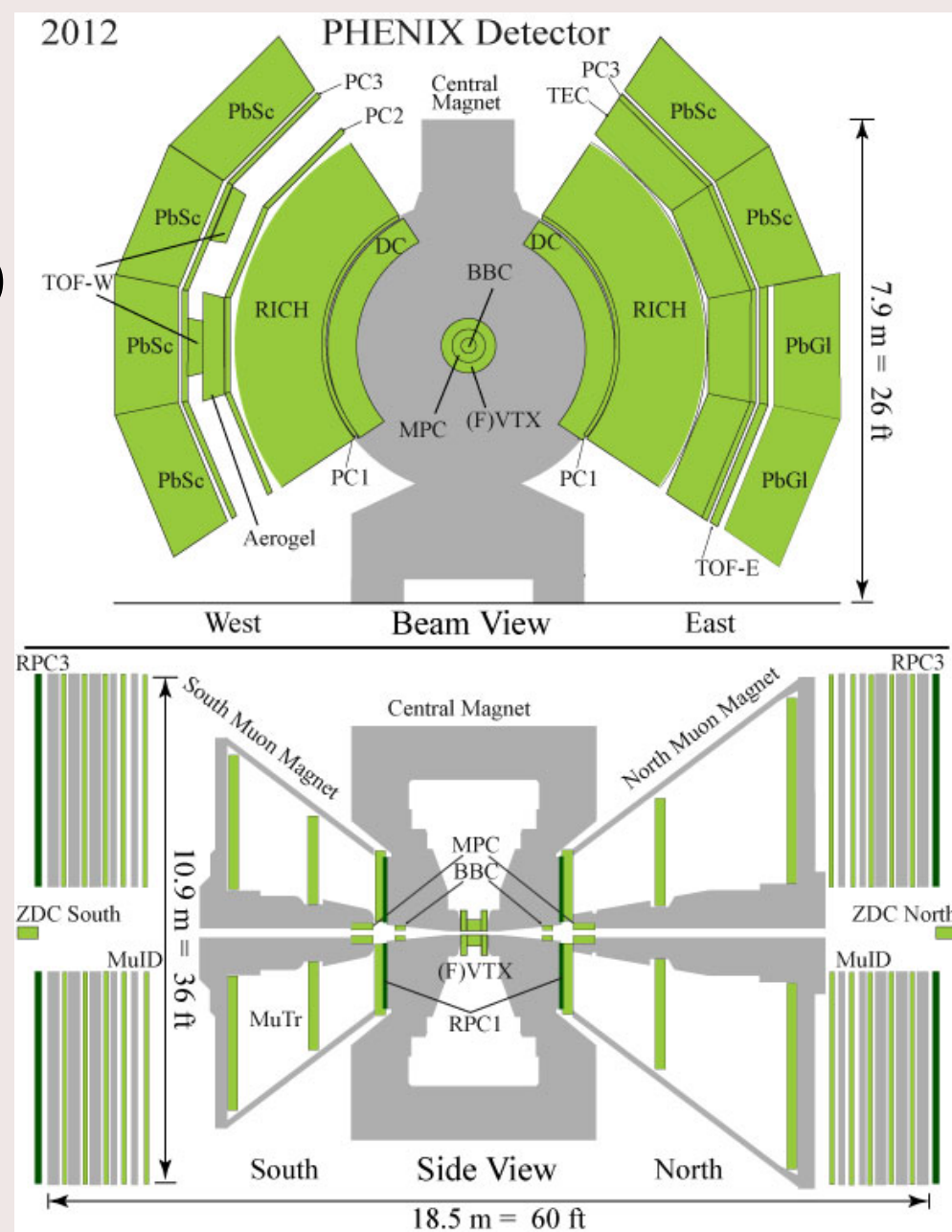
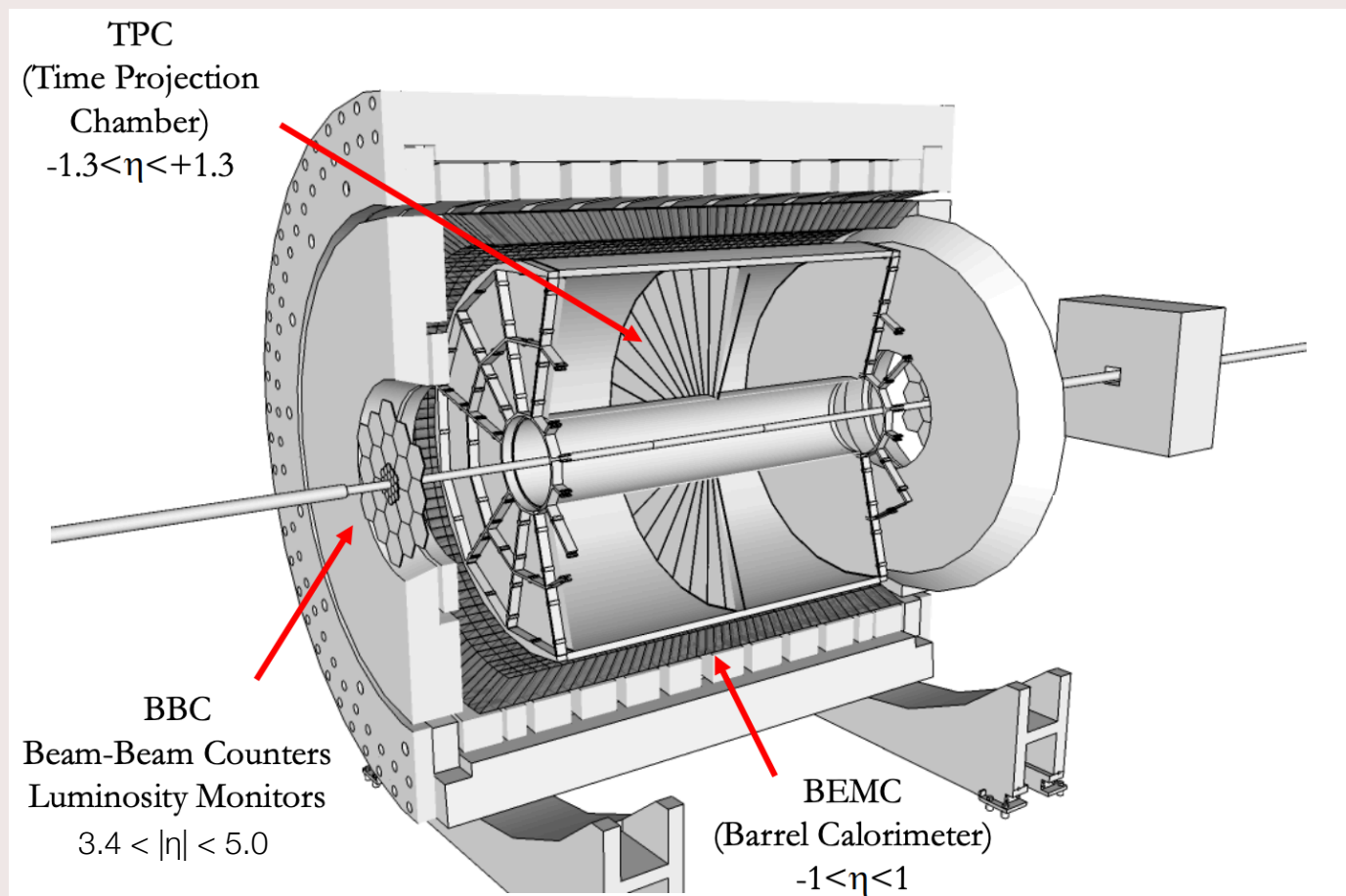
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STAR: h, e^{\pm}, γ in $|\eta| < 1, \phi \in 2\pi; 3.4 < |\eta| < 5.0$



Detectors

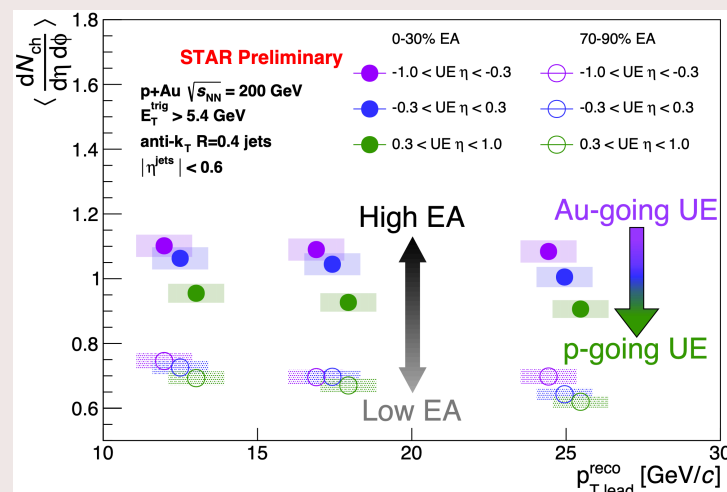
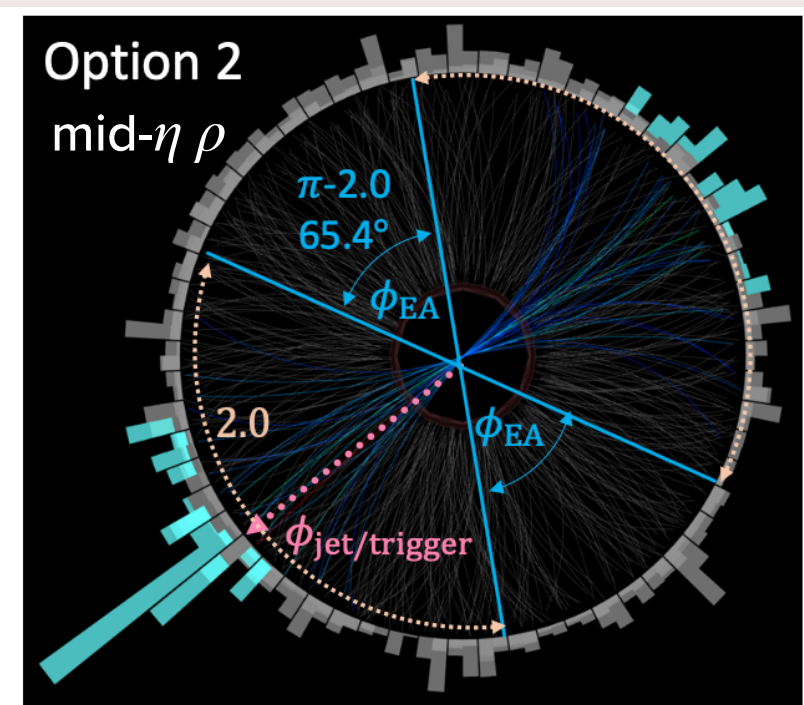
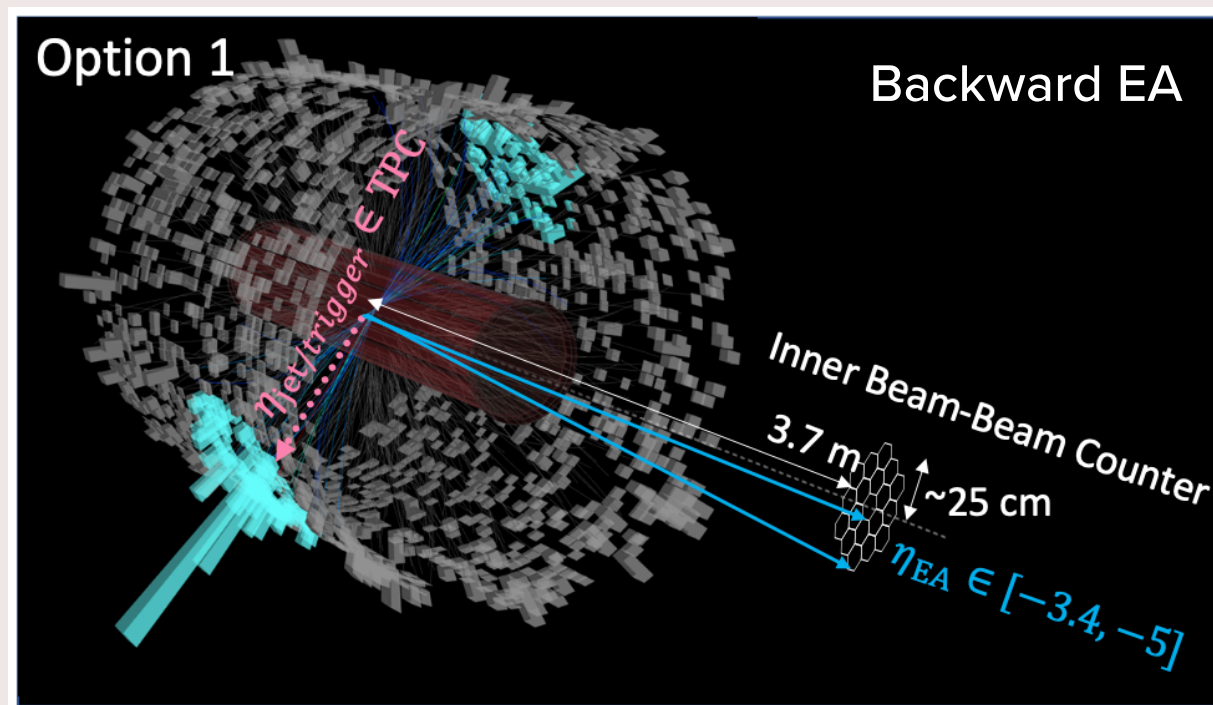
STAR: h, e^{\pm}, γ in $|\eta| < 1, \phi \in 2\pi; 3.4 < |\eta| < 5.0$



PHENIX: h, e^{\pm}, γ in $|\eta| < 0.35, \phi \in 2 \times \pi/2; \mu$ in $1.2 < |\eta| < 2.2$

Event activity / centrality

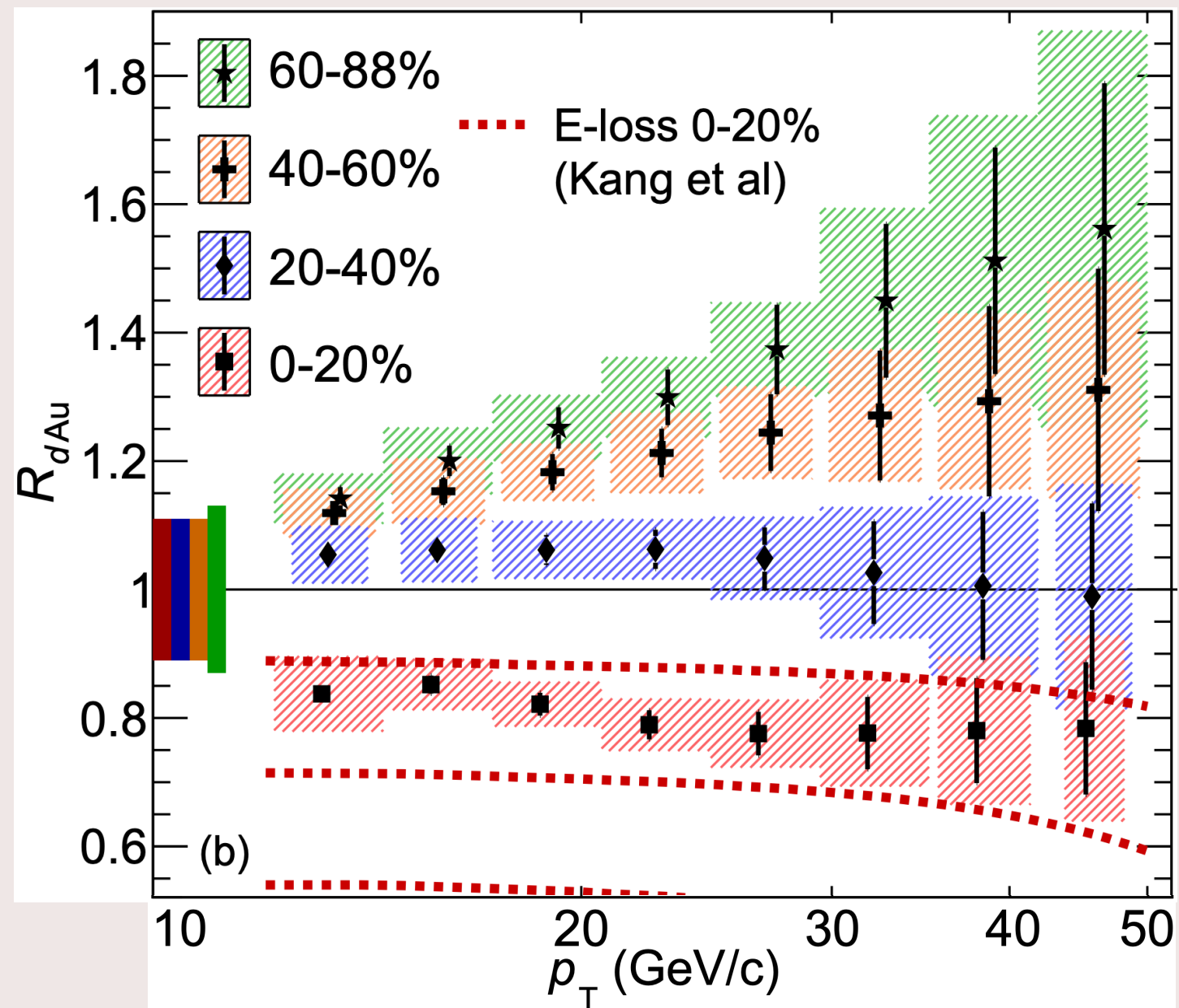
In STAR, two options for definition of the activity of an event away from the jet in pA collisions



strongly correlated!

PHENIX uses a BBC
(Čerenkov, $-3.9 < \eta < -3.1$)
and reports centrality
([PHENIX, PRC 90, 034902 \(2014\)](#))

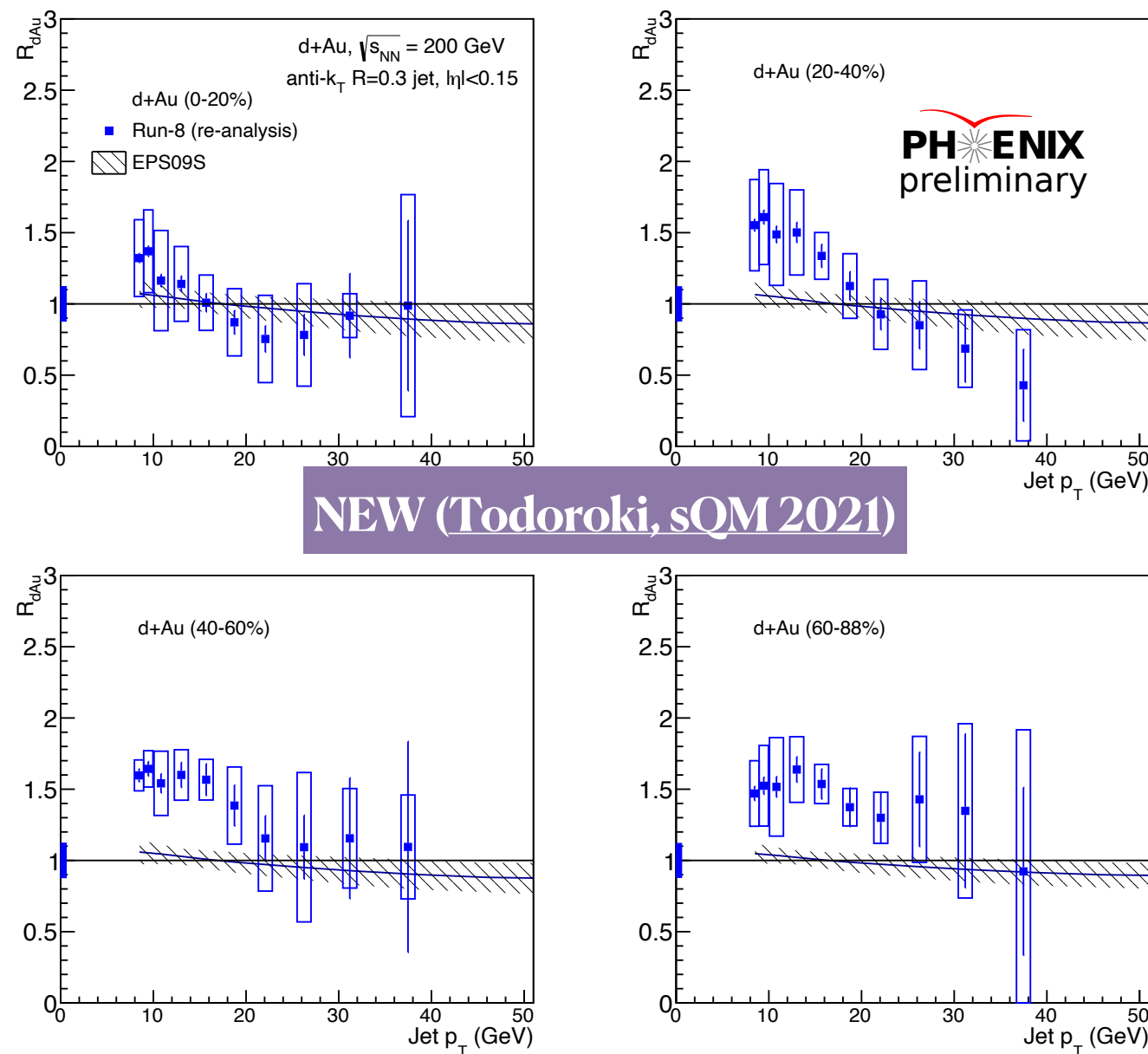
PHENIX jet R_{dAu}



[PHENIX, PRL 116 \(2016\), 122301](#)

“...an enhancement in 40%–88% events...is challenging to understand as a distinct physics effect.”

PHENIX jet R_{dAu}



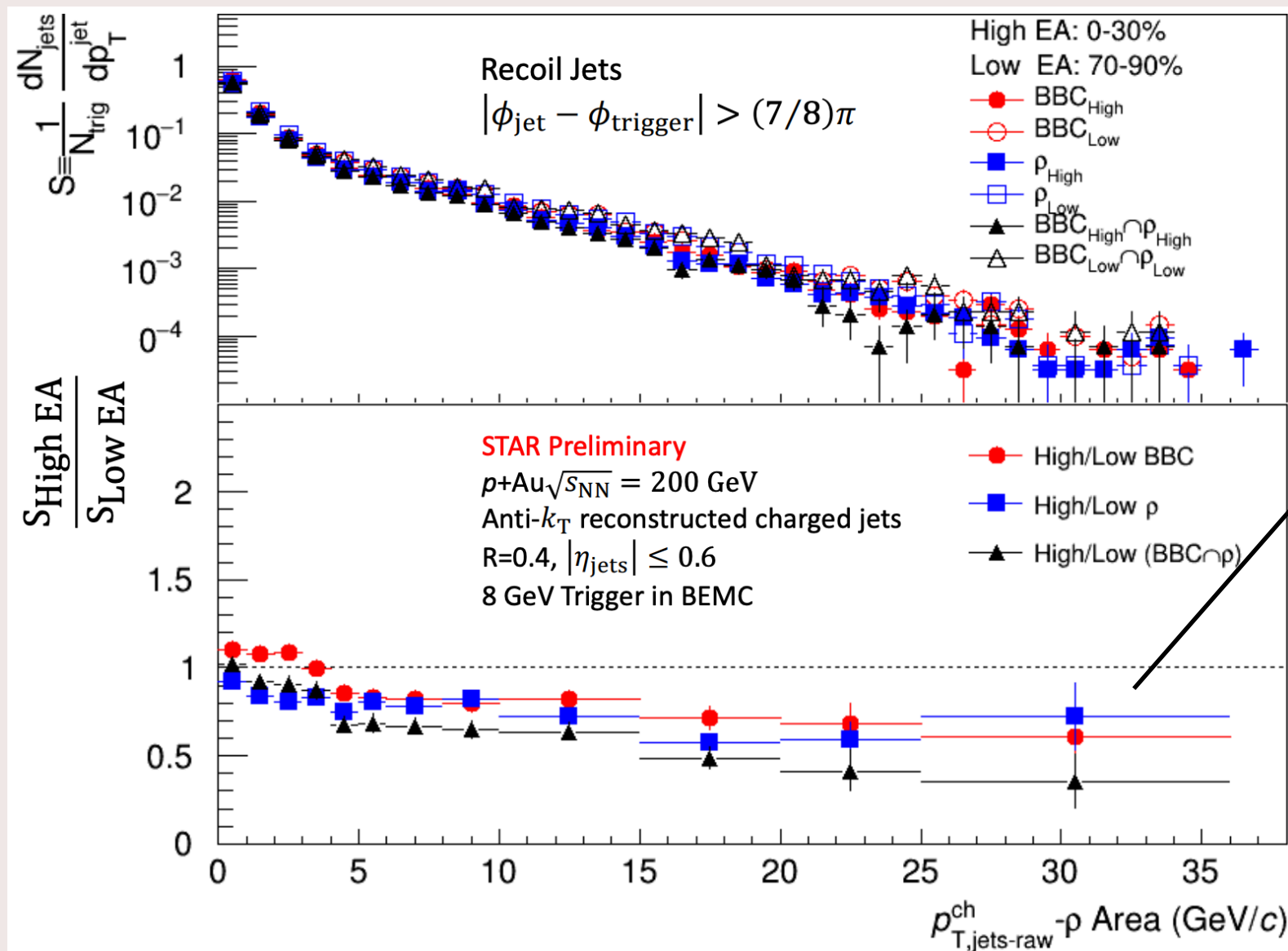
2016: centrality-dependent yield suppression in central collisions
2021: similar relative centrality-dependence to 2016; different $p_{T,jet}$ dependence; no suppression within systematics

Model including nPDF effects is centrality-independent

Model predicts $R_{dAu} \sim 1$, low p_T enhancement is not captured

Could it be a correlation between the energy of the hard process and the centrality? (See next)

STAR semi-inclusive jet spectra

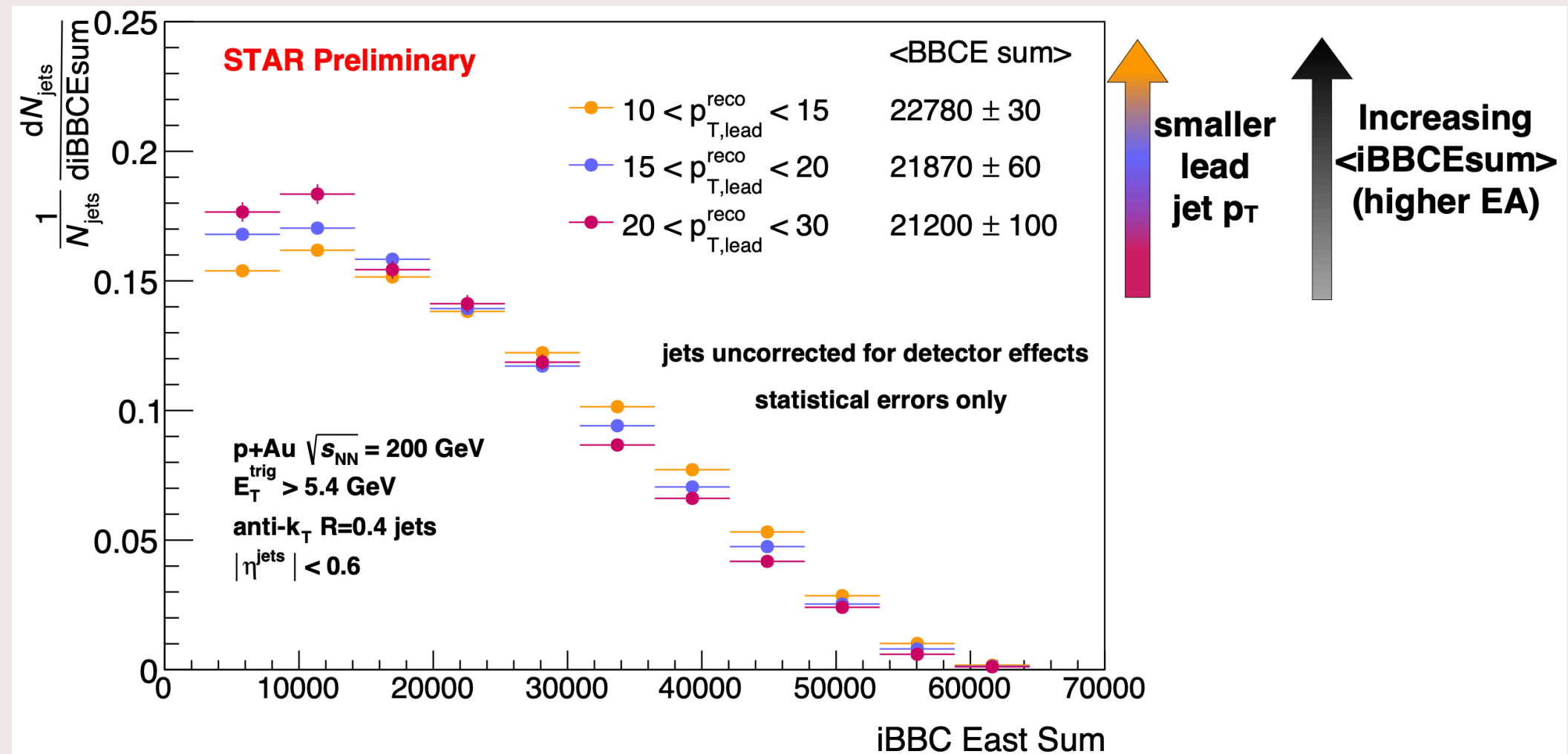


Recoil charged jet on away-side from high- E_T trigger suppressed in high-EA compared to low-EA

Path-length dependent energy loss in nuclear environment?

But no broadening of acoplanarity for high-EA recoil jets +
 Trigger and recoil are modified similarly (backup)

STAR event activity at backward- η



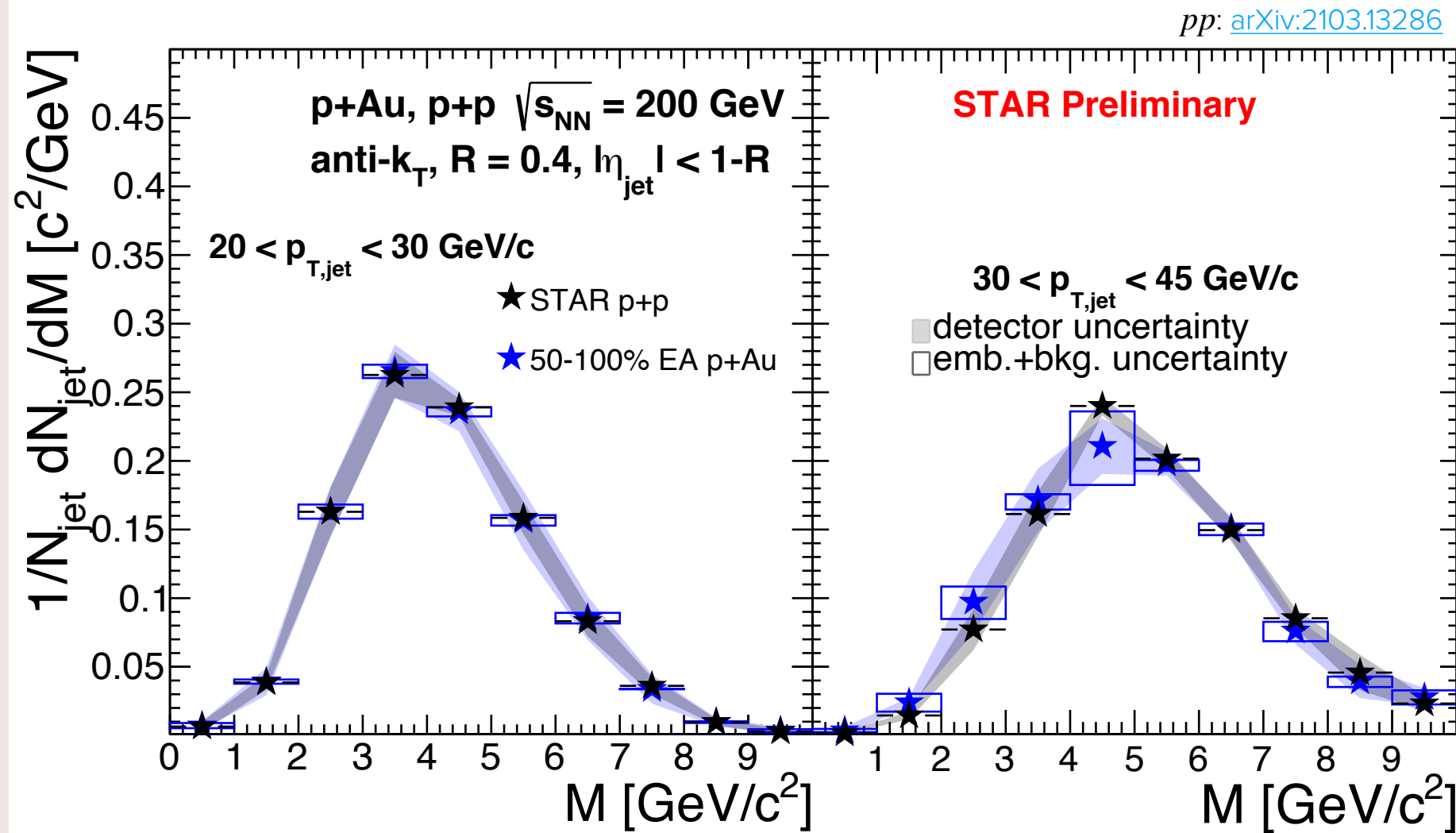
BBC signal anti-correlated with jet p_{T}

Similar effect observed in PYTHIA-8 Angantyr at generator-level (Stewart, DNP 2020)

Mid-rapidity jet + large-rapidity EA anticorrelation \rightarrow early-time effect
E.g. initial proton configuration: higher- $x \rightarrow$ smaller cross section; simple E conservation; etc.

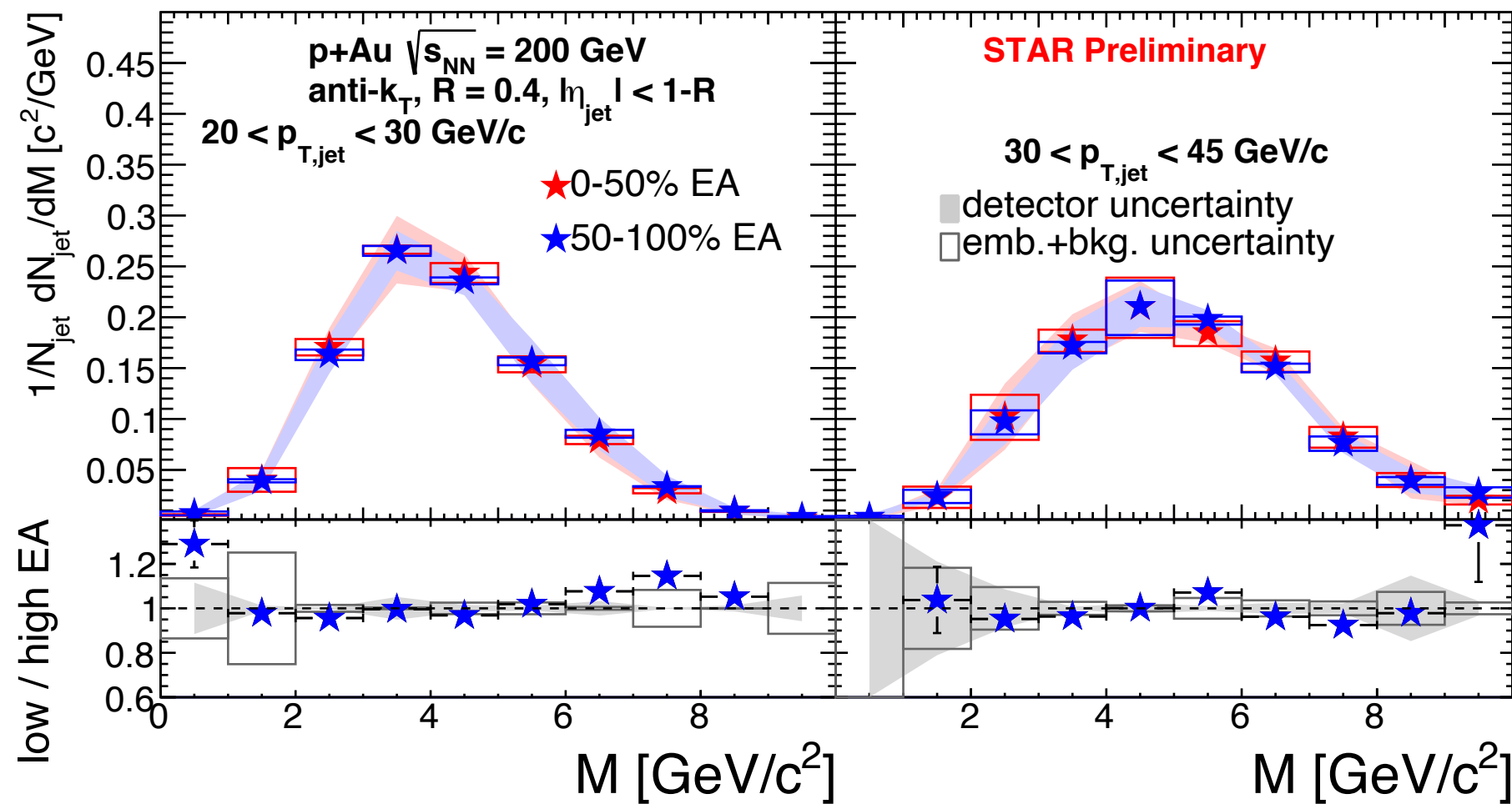
[Alvioli, Cole, Frankfurt, Perepelitsa, Strikman, PRC 93, 011902\(R\) \(2016\)](#)

*p*Au inclusive jet mass at STAR



Low-EA jet mass is comparable to *pp* in systematic and statistical uncertainties

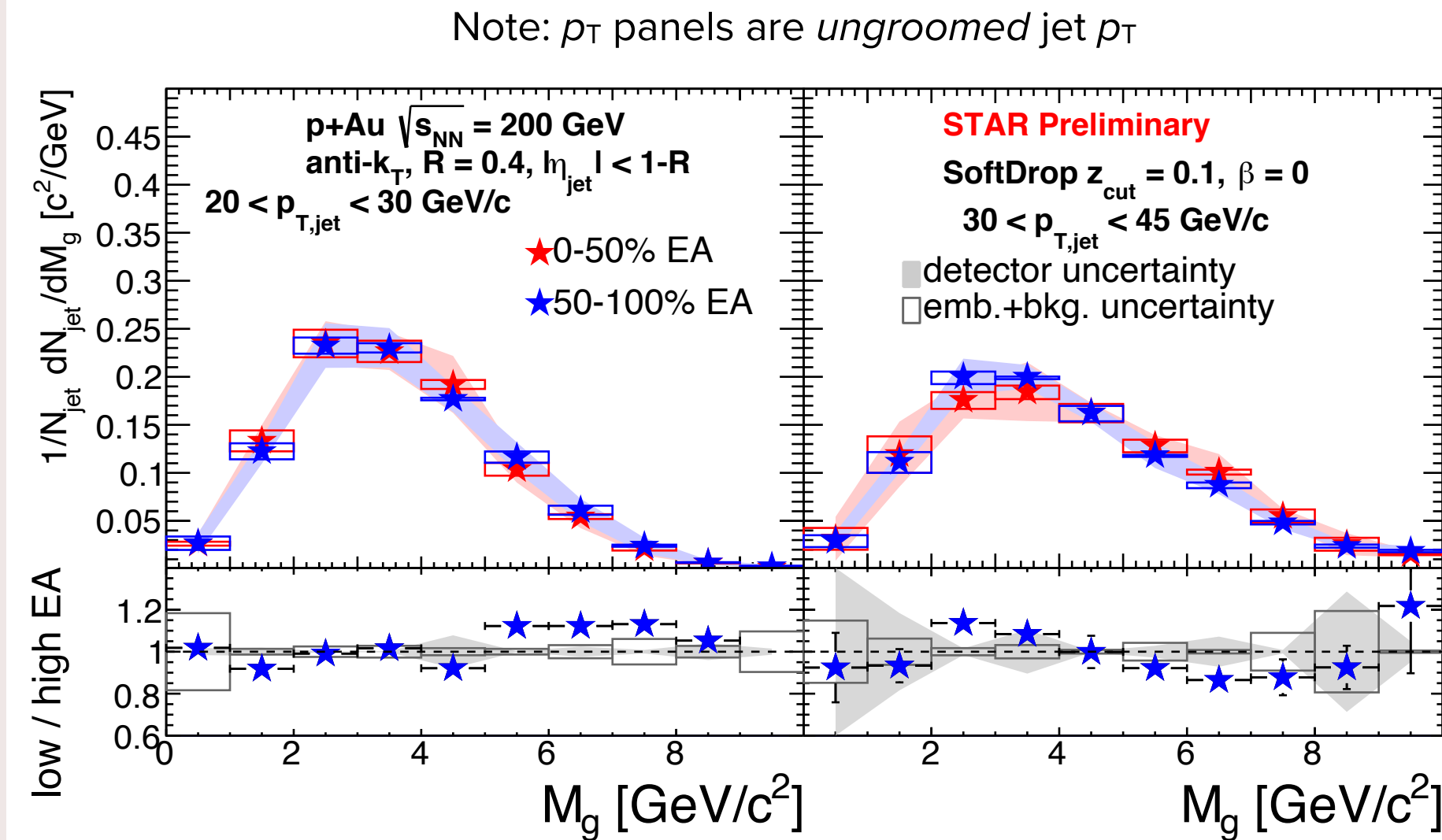
*p*Au inclusive jet mass at STAR



Low- and high-EA mass ratio is unity within systematic and statistical uncertainties

No significant modification to the jet mass

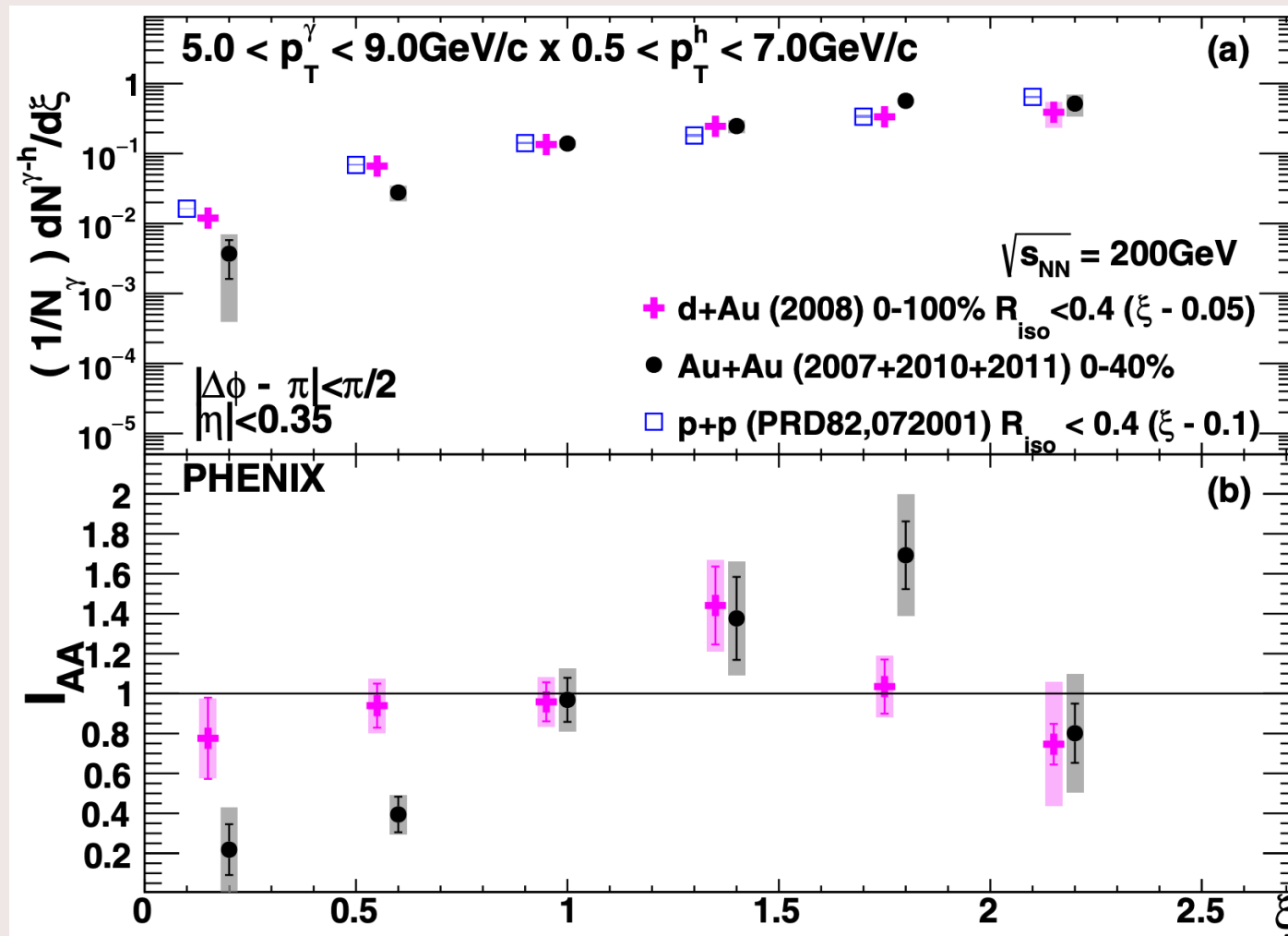
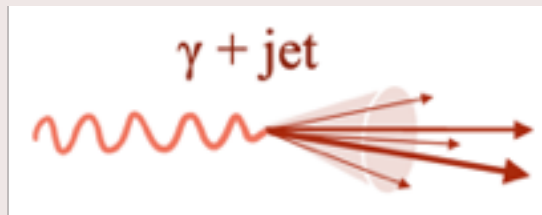
*p*Au inclusive jet mass at STAR



Low- and high-EA mass ratio is unity within systematic and statistical uncertainties

No significant modification to the jet mass, core of jets unmodified as well

PHENIX $\gamma_{\text{dir}} - h$ correlations



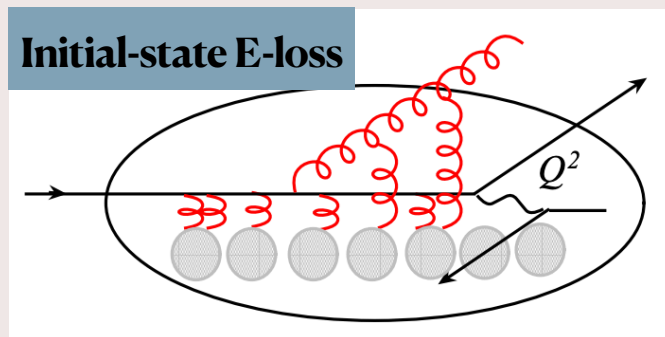
[PHENIX, PRC 102, 054910 \(2020\)](#)

Hadrons recoiling from a hard direct photon experience CNM effects, fragmentation potentially modified

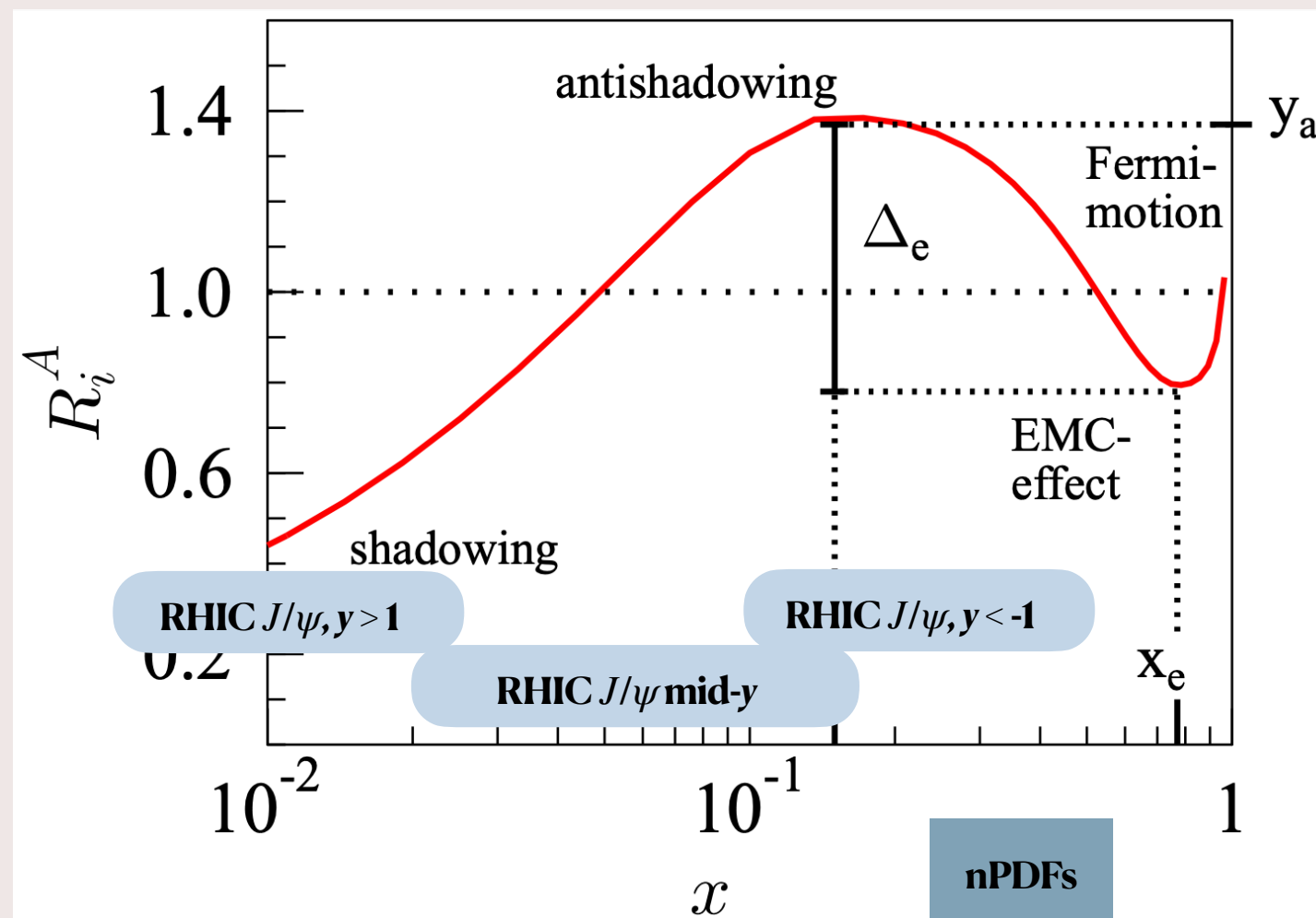
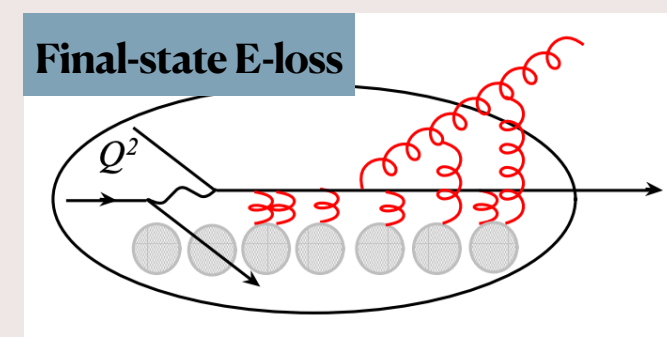
Hadron mom. frac.:
 $\xi = \log(1/z_T)$

Fragmentation:
 $I_{dAu} = Y_{dAu}/Y_{pp}$, Y = per-trigger yield

PHENIX observes *no significant modification* of jet fragmentation in dAu collisions for any z .



CNM effects (on quarkonia)



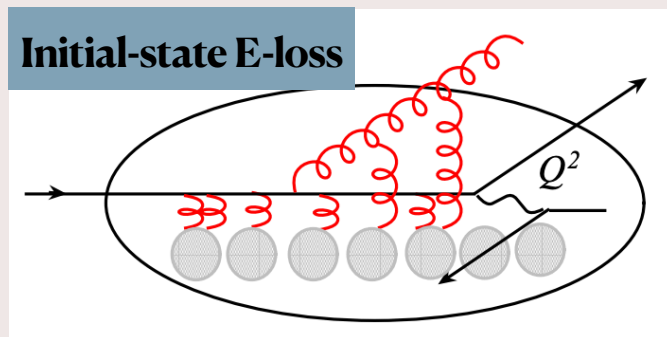
$$x \approx (p_T + m_T)e^{-y}/\sqrt{s_{NN}}^1$$

[Eskola, Paukkunen, Salgado, JHEP 07 102 \(2008\)](#)

$y = 0, 1 < p_T < 10 \text{ GeV}/c: 0.03(2) \lesssim x \lesssim 0.16(1) \text{ for } p(d)\text{Au } J/\psi$

$y = -1.5, 1 < p_T < 10 \text{ GeV}/c: 0.1 \lesssim x \lesssim 0.5 \text{ for } d\text{Au } J/\psi$

$y = 1.5, 1 < p_T < 10 \text{ GeV}/c: 0.005 \lesssim x \lesssim 0.025 \text{ for } d\text{Au } J/\psi$



CNM effects (on quarkonia)

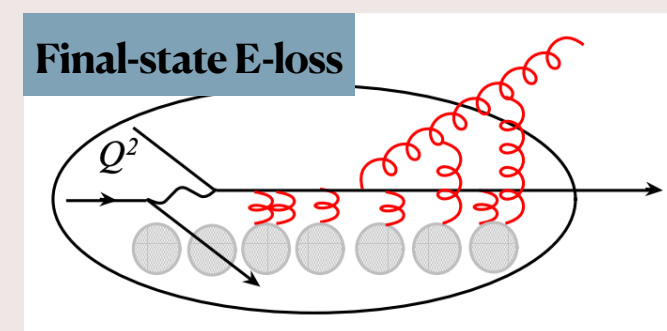
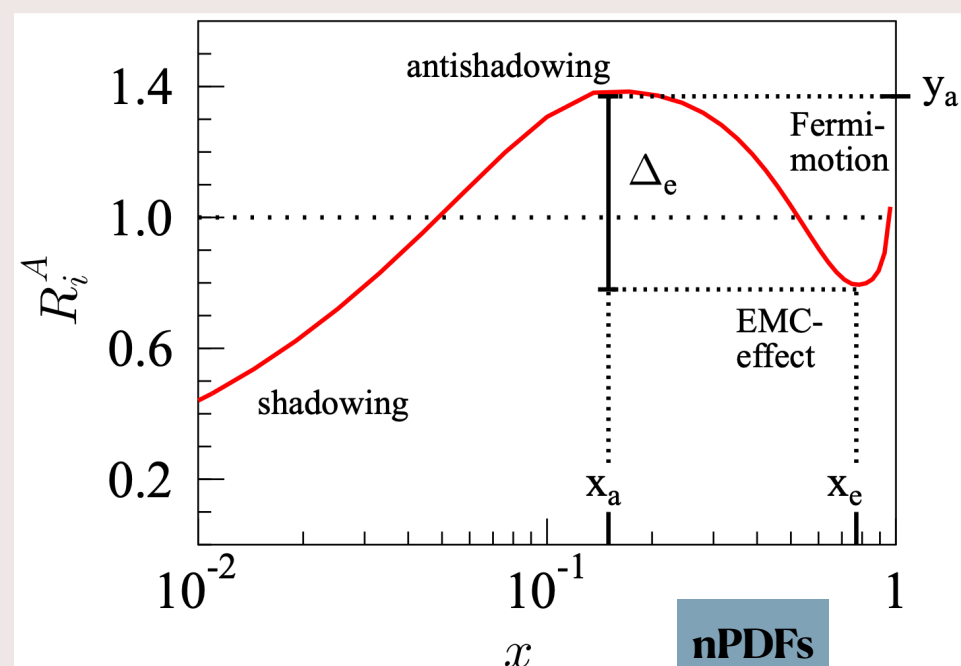
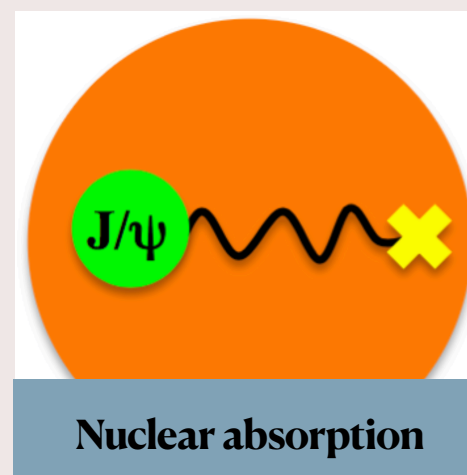


Image: Shuai Yang



Eskola, Paukkunen, Salgado, JHEP 07 102 (2008)



$$S_A = \exp\left\{-\int_z^\infty dz \rho_A(b, z) \sigma_{\psi N}\right\}$$

E.g. $J/\psi + \pi \rightarrow D + D + X$

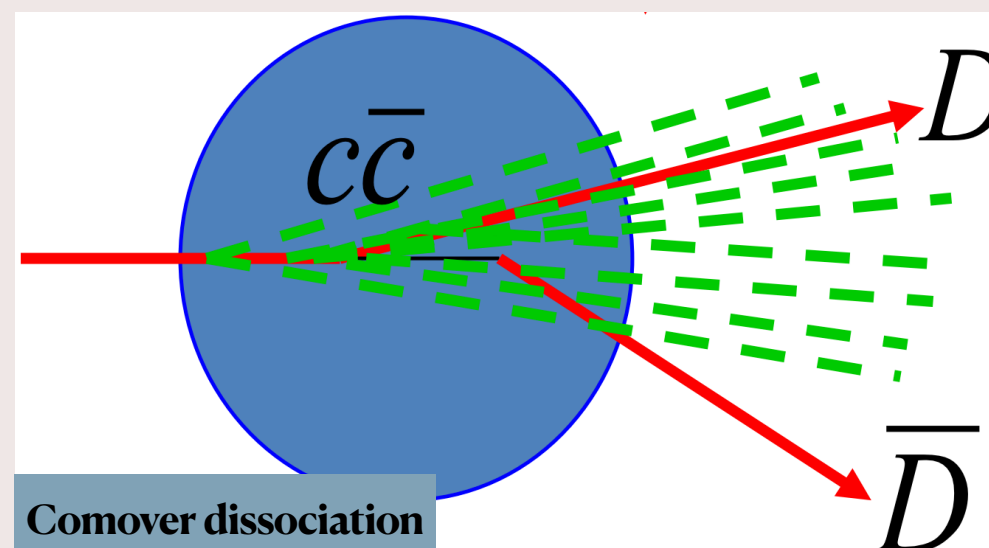
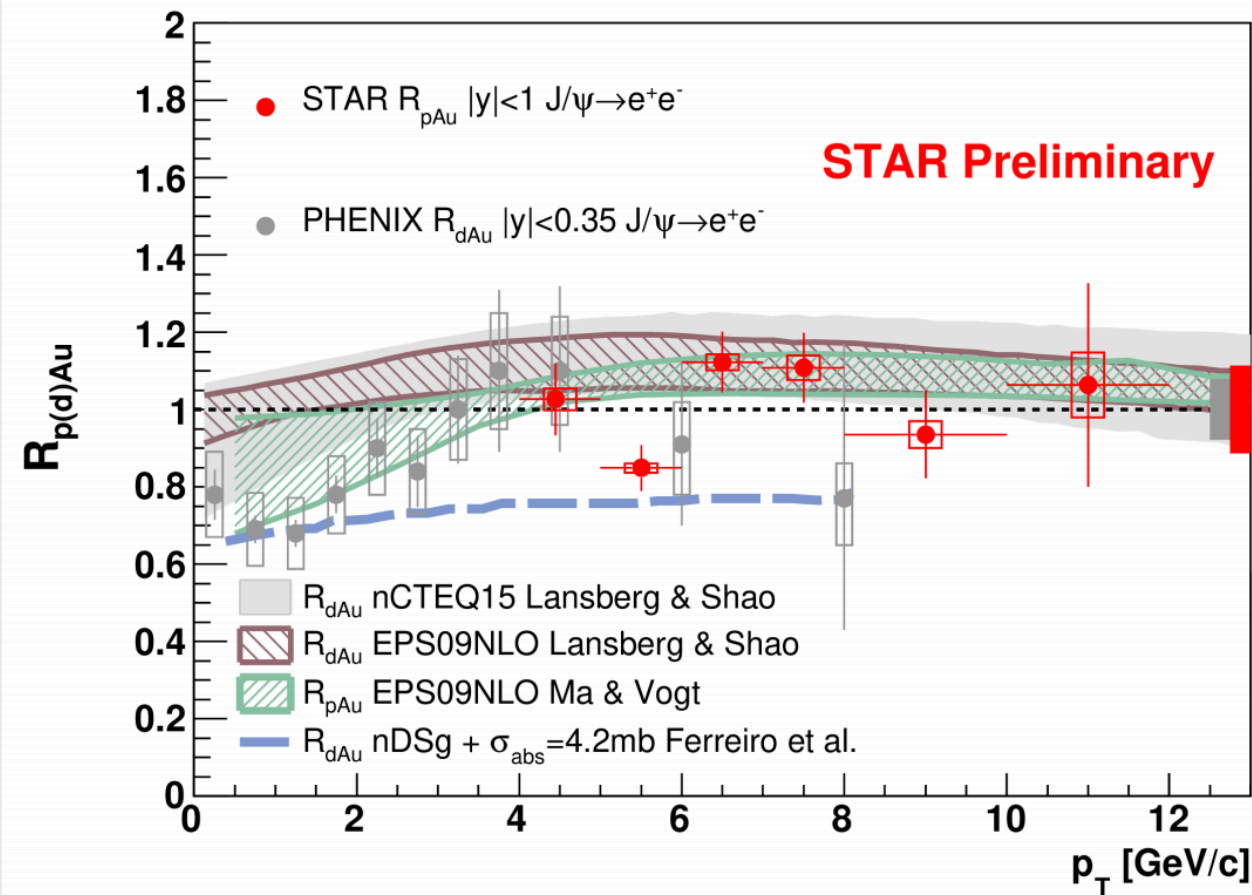


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$$S_{co} = \exp\left\{-\int d\tau n \sigma_{co} v_{rel}\right\}$$

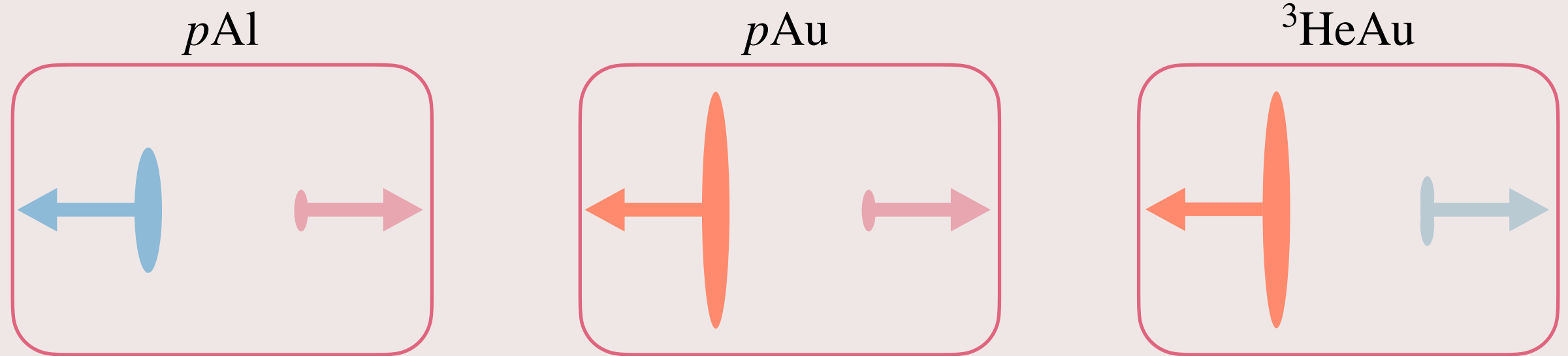
STAR mid- η J/ψ R_{pAu}



[PHENIX, PRC 87 (2013) 034904]
 [EPS09+NLO, Ma & Vogt, Private Comm.]
 [nCTEQ, EPS09+NLO, Lansberg & Shao:
 Eur.Phys.J. C77 (2017) no.1, 1;
 Comp. Phys. Comm. 198 (2016) 238-259;
 Comp. Phys. Comm. 184 (2013) 2562-2570]
 [Ferreiro et al., Few Body Syst. 53 (2012) 27]

$R_{pAu} \sim 1$, consistent with PHENIX at high- p_T , and with models including nPDFs

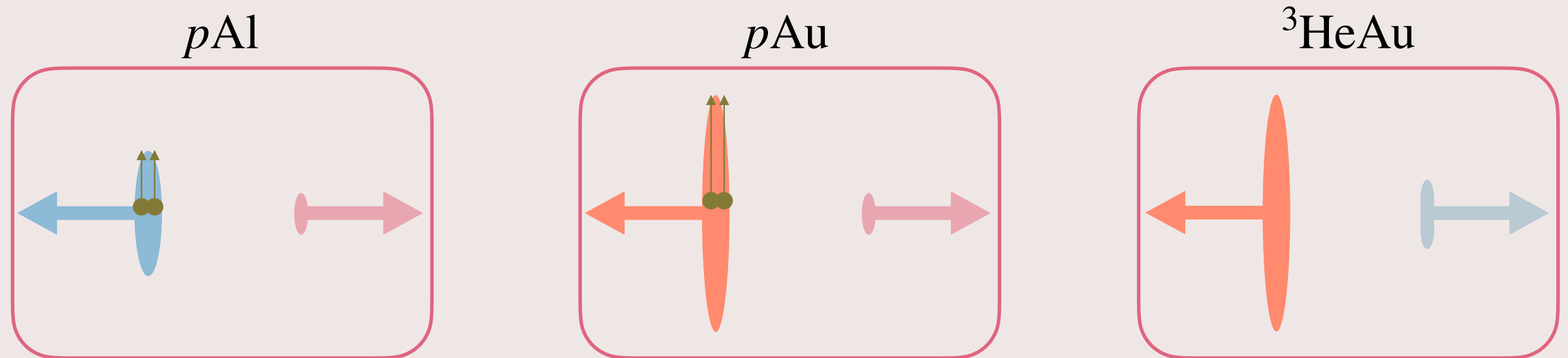
PHENIX forward/backward- η J/ψ R_{AB}



J/ψ nuclear modification measured in the di-muon channel at large rapidity in 3 systems, testing projectile and target sizes

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Target-dependence

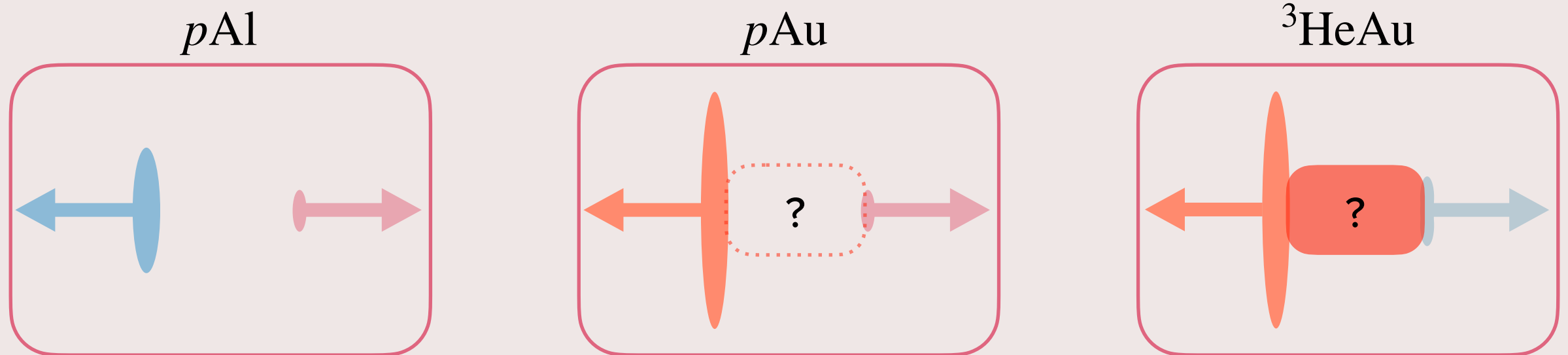


J/ψ nuclear modification measured in the di-muon channel at large rapidity in 3 systems, testing projectile and target sizes

Al \rightarrow Au: longer path through cold nucleus

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Projectile-dependence



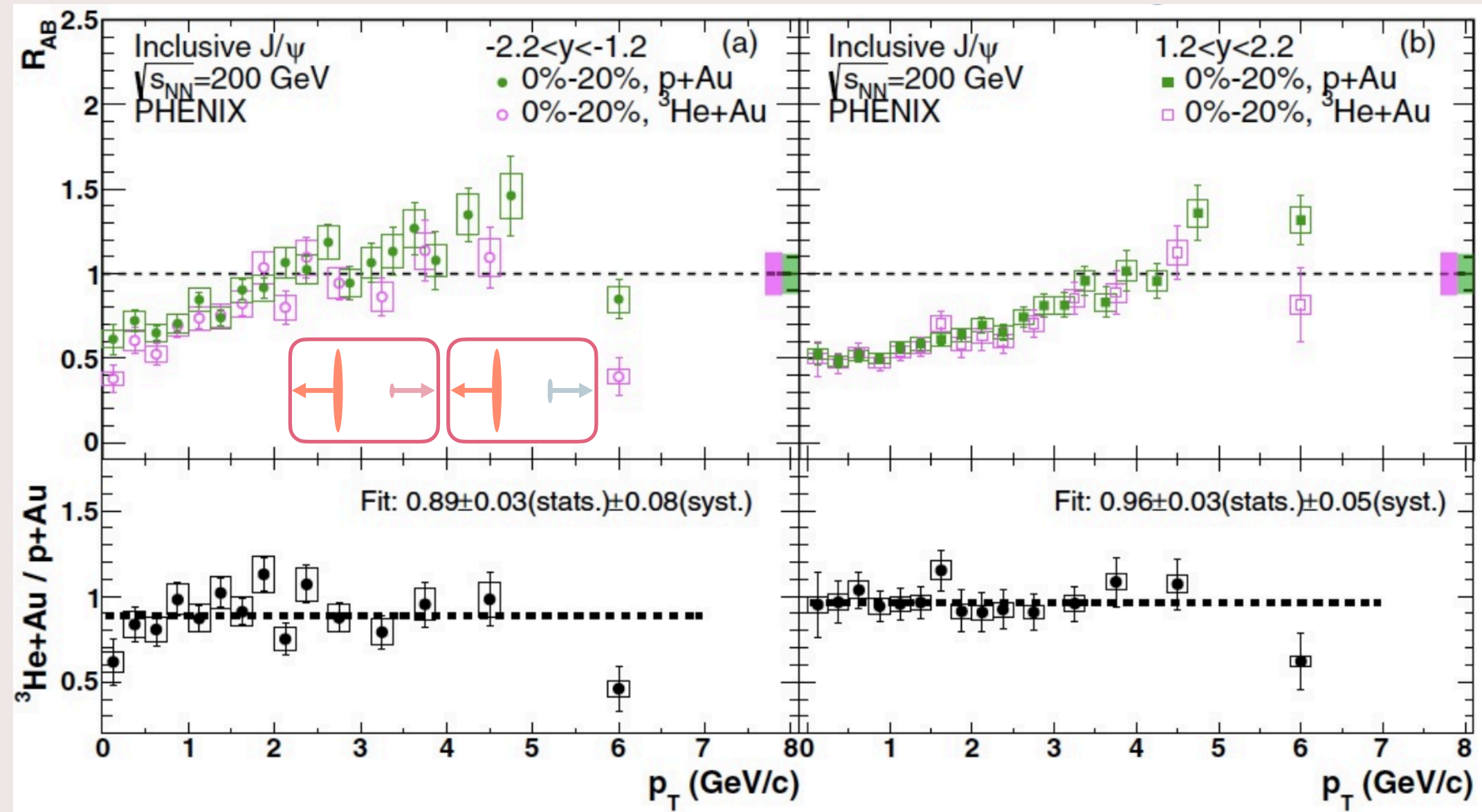
J/ψ nuclear modification measured in the di-muon channel at large rapidity in 3 systems, testing projectile and target sizes

$p \rightarrow ^3He$: energy density dependence

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Projectile-dependence

[PHENIX, PRC 102, 014902 \(2020\)](#)

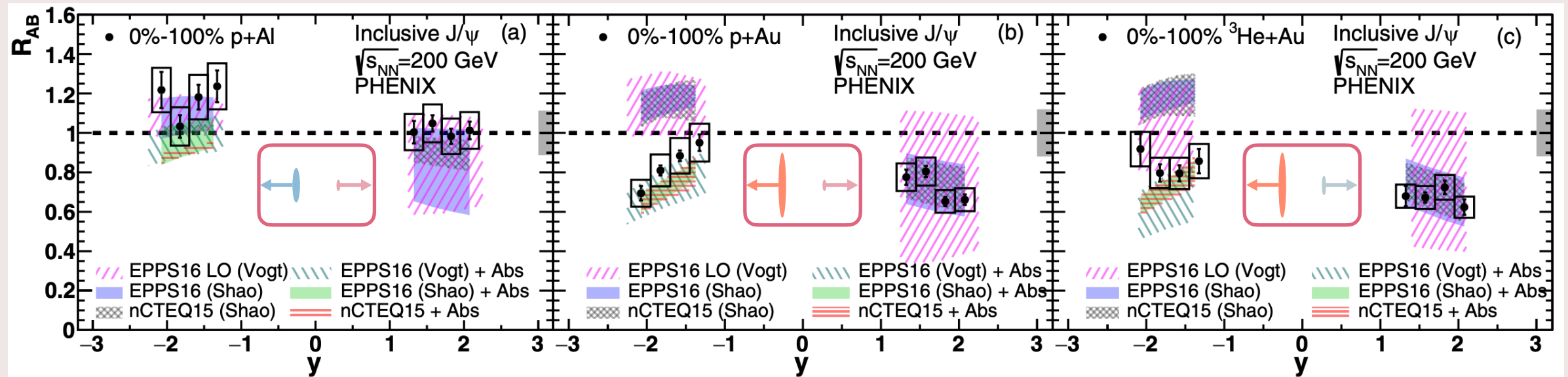


$p\text{Au} \sim {}^3\text{HeAu}$ (slight relative suppression at backward y)
 → little energy density dependence

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Rapidity-dependence

PHENIX, PRC 102, 014902 (2020)



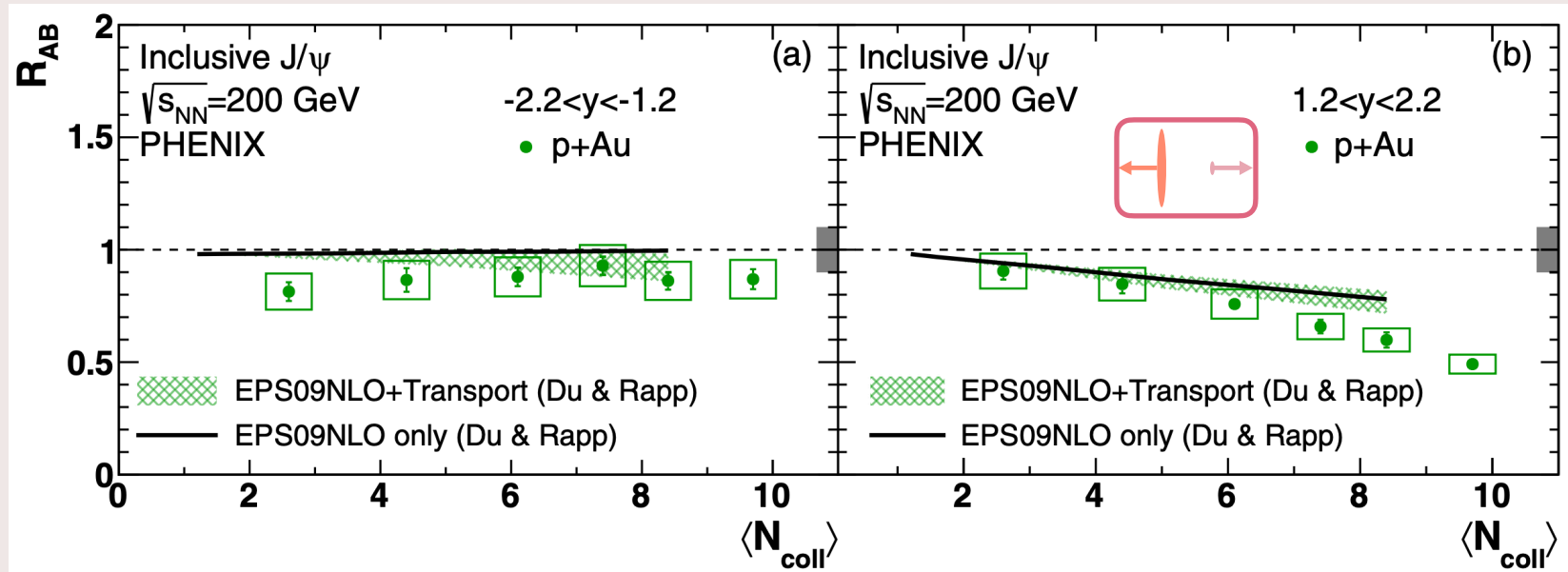
R_{pAl} (centrality-integrated) is described by models with nPDF effects, but this alone can't describe pAu or 3HeAu

Forward (p -going): Shadowing dominant; models with only nPDFs describe data

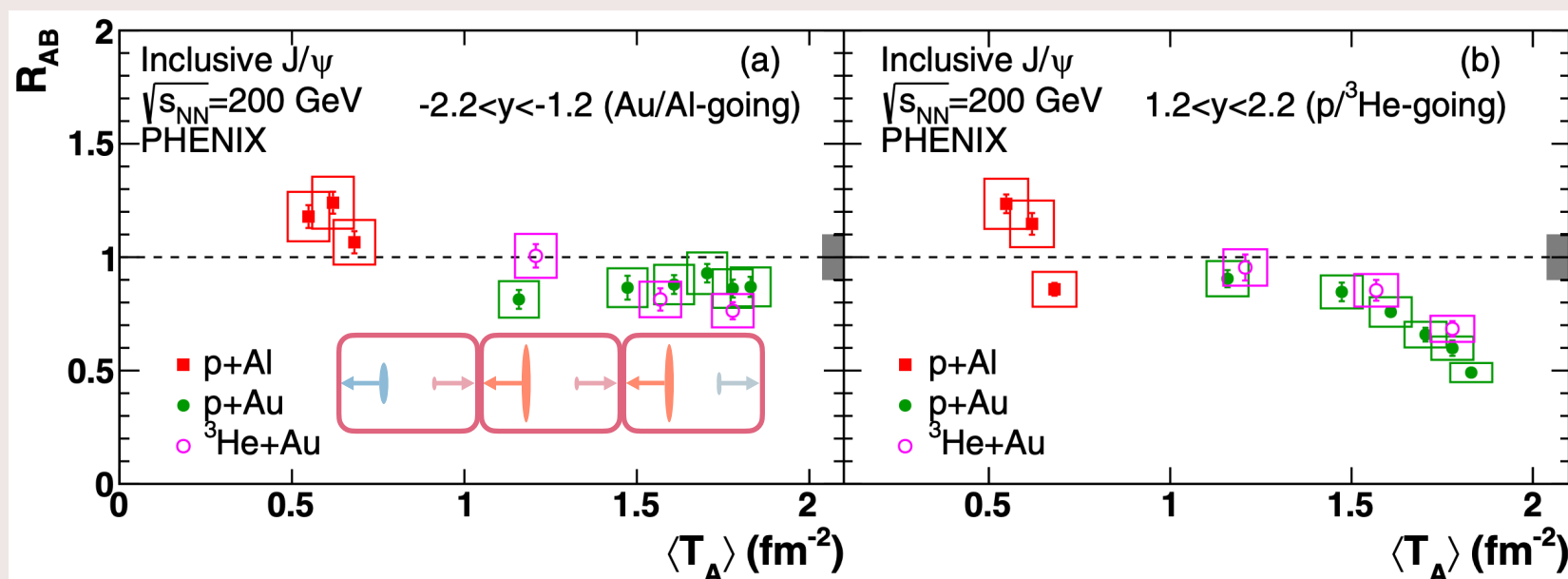
Backward (Au-going): When nuclear absorption is included for large nuclei, rapidity-dependent data reasonably described

PHENIX forward/backward- η J/ψ R_{AB}

Beyond CNM effects?

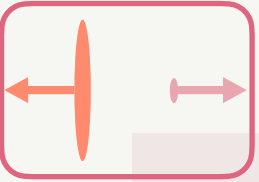


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Transport effect either negligible (*left*) or insufficient (*right*)
→ is plasma phase necessary?

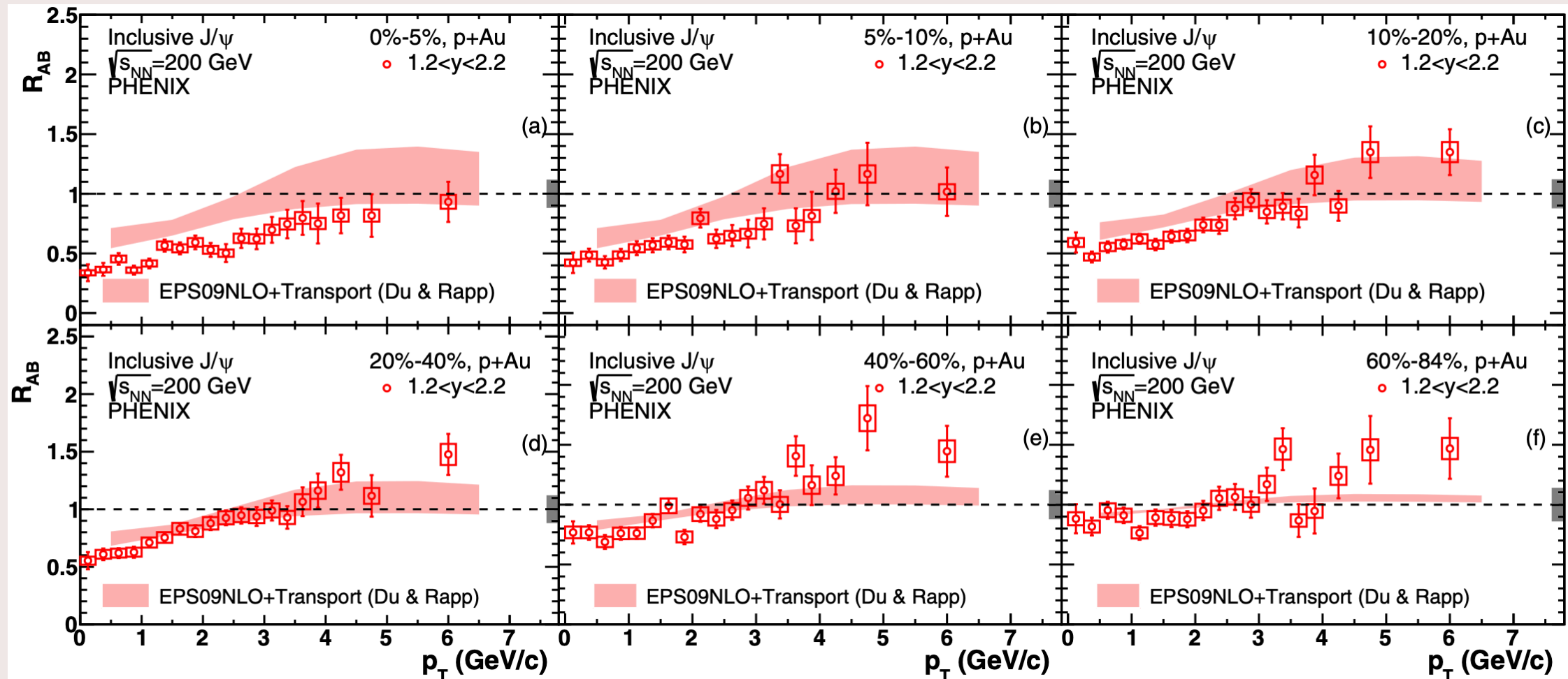
The three systems' p_T -integrated R_{AB} fall on a common curve as a function of target nucleus thickness
→ dominated by CNM effects



PHENIX forward- η J/ψ R_{AB}

Centrality-dependence

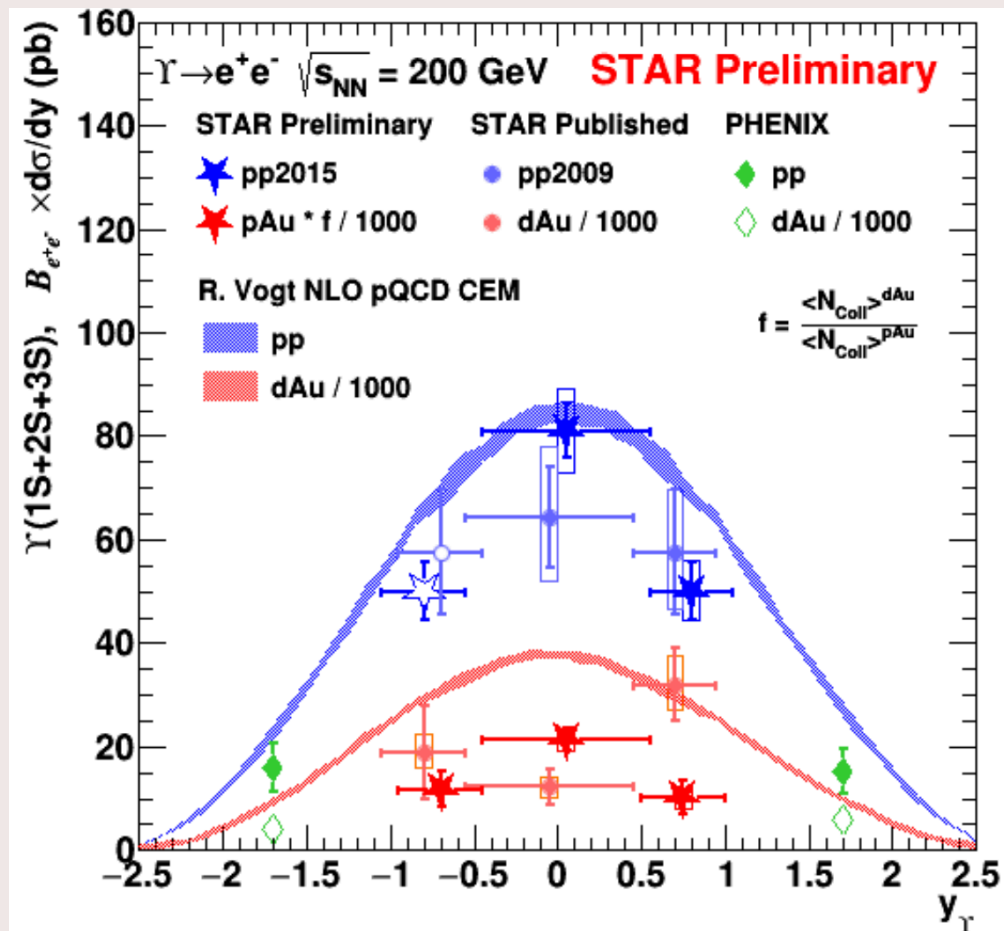
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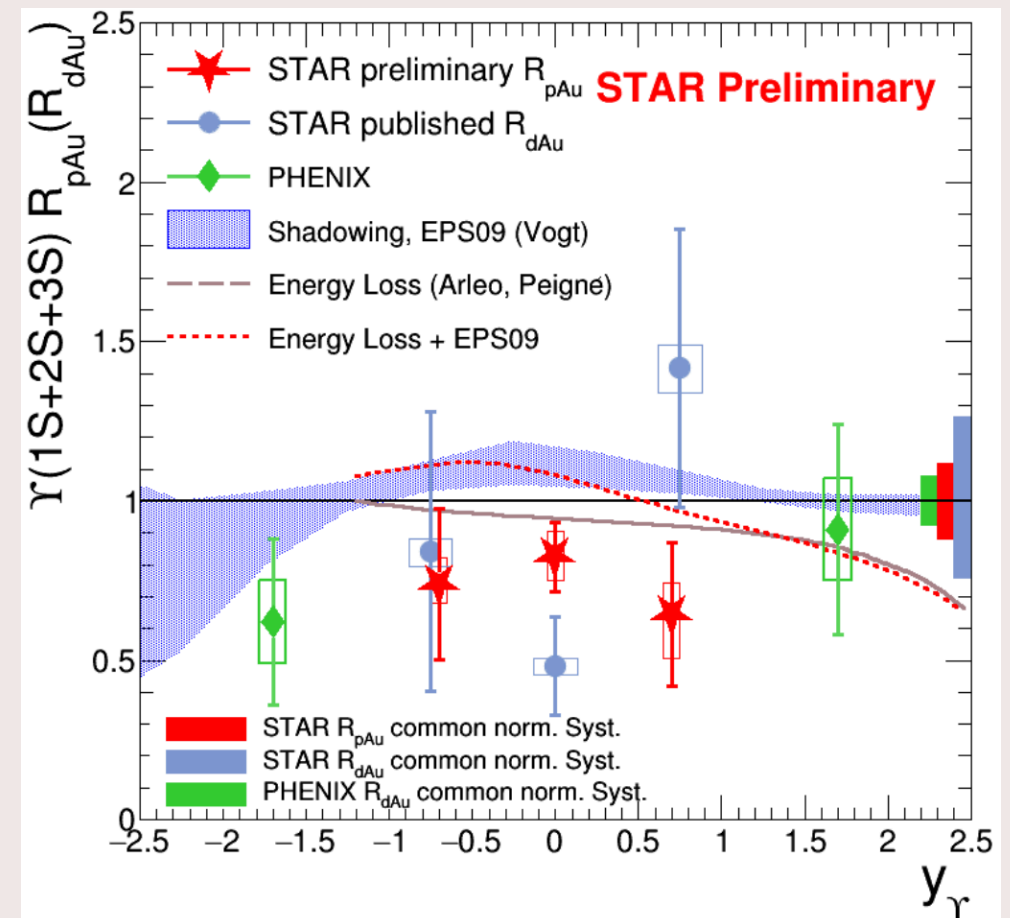
Forward: Highly centrality-dependent; consistent with unity for peripheral collisions, heavily suppressed for low p_T in central

Transport model (including plasma phase) at central (dominated by shadowing at low- p_T) shows further suppression in data than predicted

STAR ΥR_{pAu}



[STAR: PLB 735 (2014) 127]
 [PHENIX: PRC 87 (2013) 044909]
 [R. Vogt NLO pQCD CEM: PoS ConfinementX 203 (2012)]



[STAR: PLB 735 (2014) 127]
 [PHENIX: PRC 87 (2013) 044909]
 [JHEP 1303, 122 (2013)]

$\Upsilon + \Upsilon' + \Upsilon''$ X-sec & R_{pAu} measured at mid-rapidity through di-electron channel with increased statistical precision (296 nb⁻¹) a few years ago

Indication that models with nPDFs / initial state E-loss not enough to describe Υ X-sec or suppression w/r/t pp

Conclusions

In **jets**, observed modification in yields with centrality seem to be due to **anti-correlation** of soft, **forward activity** with **high- Q^2** process at **mid-rapidity**.

More jet substructure observables to come, different cone sizes, ...

Jet substructure unmodified in small systems;
Centrality/EA-dependence of jet yields possibly due to “bias” in centrality measure

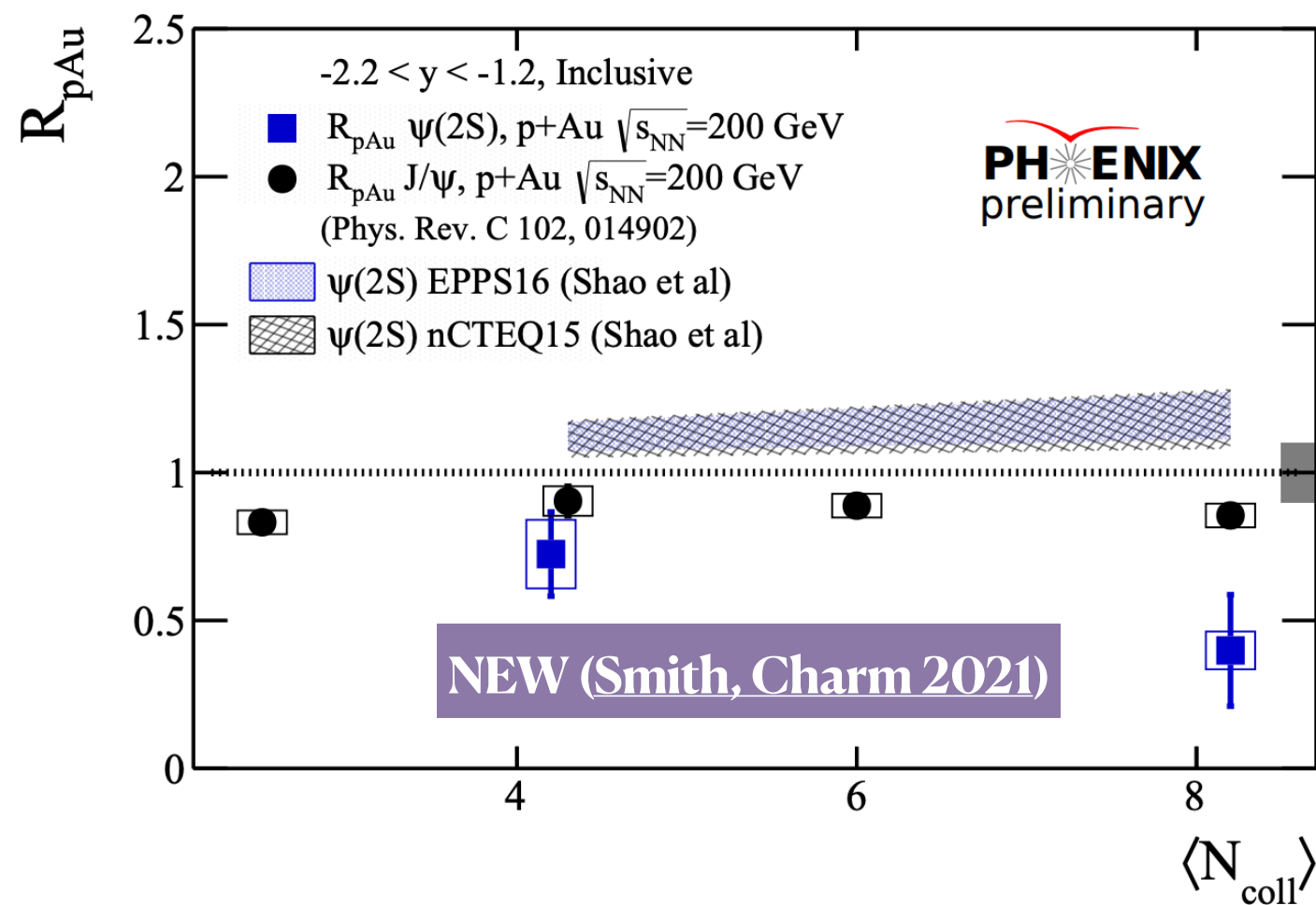
Heavy quarkonia measurements are more sensitive than jets to CNM effects, and are now able to **distinguish between models** with various CNM (and even HNM) effects due to increased precision and statistics.

nPDF effects are the **dominant** contribution at **forward** rapidity, but for **negative** rapidity **nuclear absorption** in large nucleus contributes as well

Quarkonia production qualitatively **described by CNM effects** in small systems;
Model refinement may be necessary for Υ

Bonus

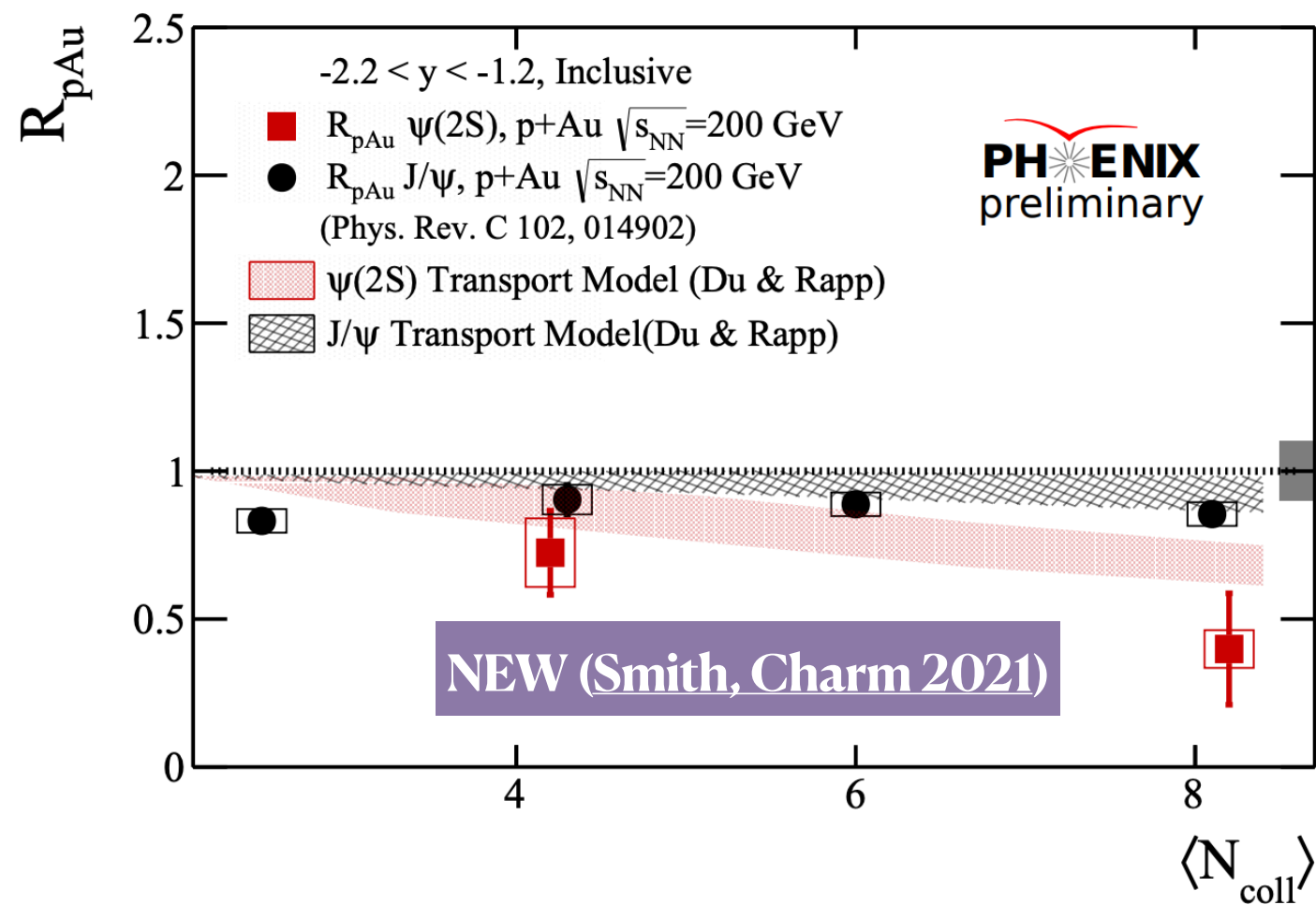
PHENIX $\psi(2S)$ nuclear modification



$\psi(2S)$ and J/ψ different centrality dependence
nPDF effects not enough to describe suppression on Au-going side
Must be final state effect: QGP or comovers!

Bonus

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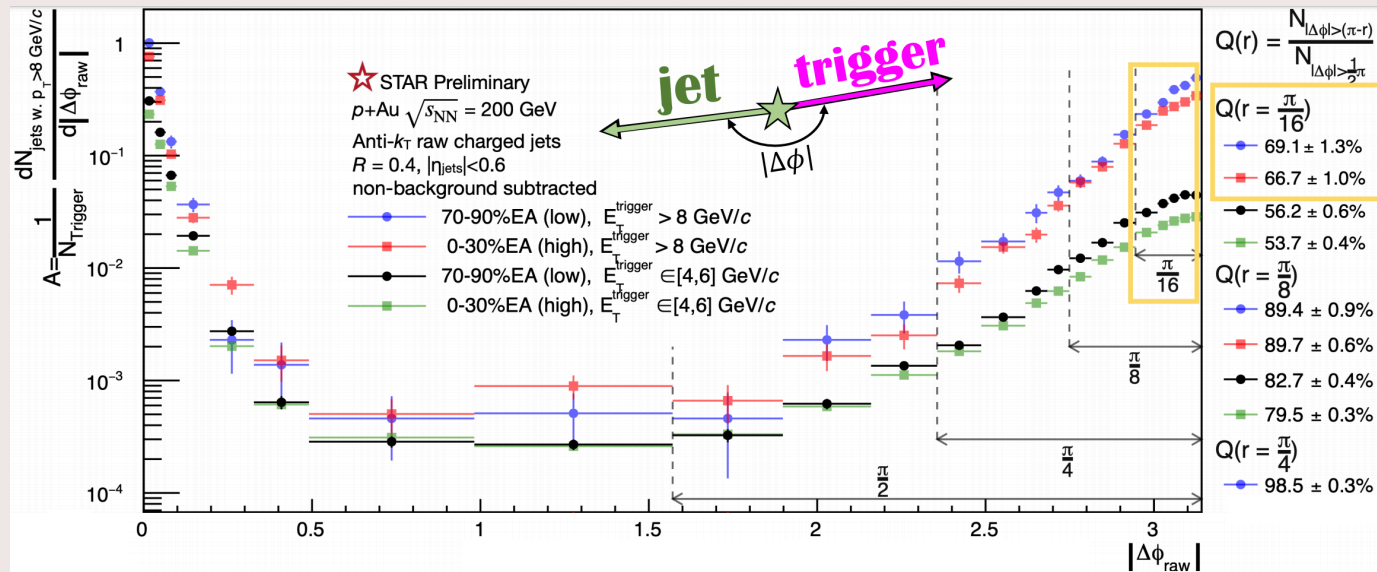


Transport (including plasma phase) is close

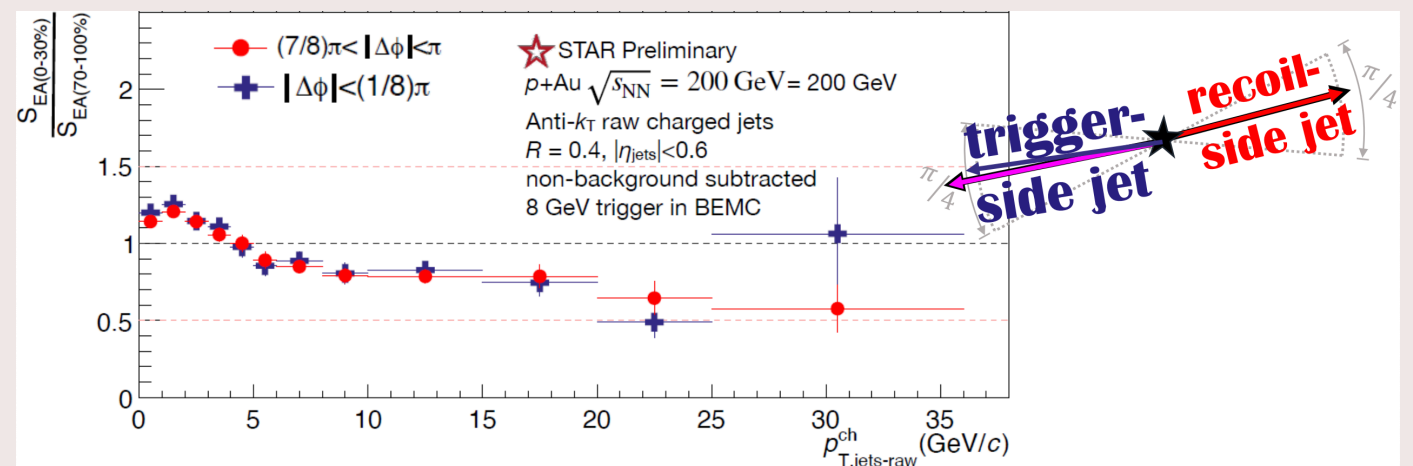
Backup

STAR semi-inclusive jets

Acoplanarity and trigger v. recoil



No broadening of acoplanarity for high-EA recoil jets



Trigger and recoil are modified similarly

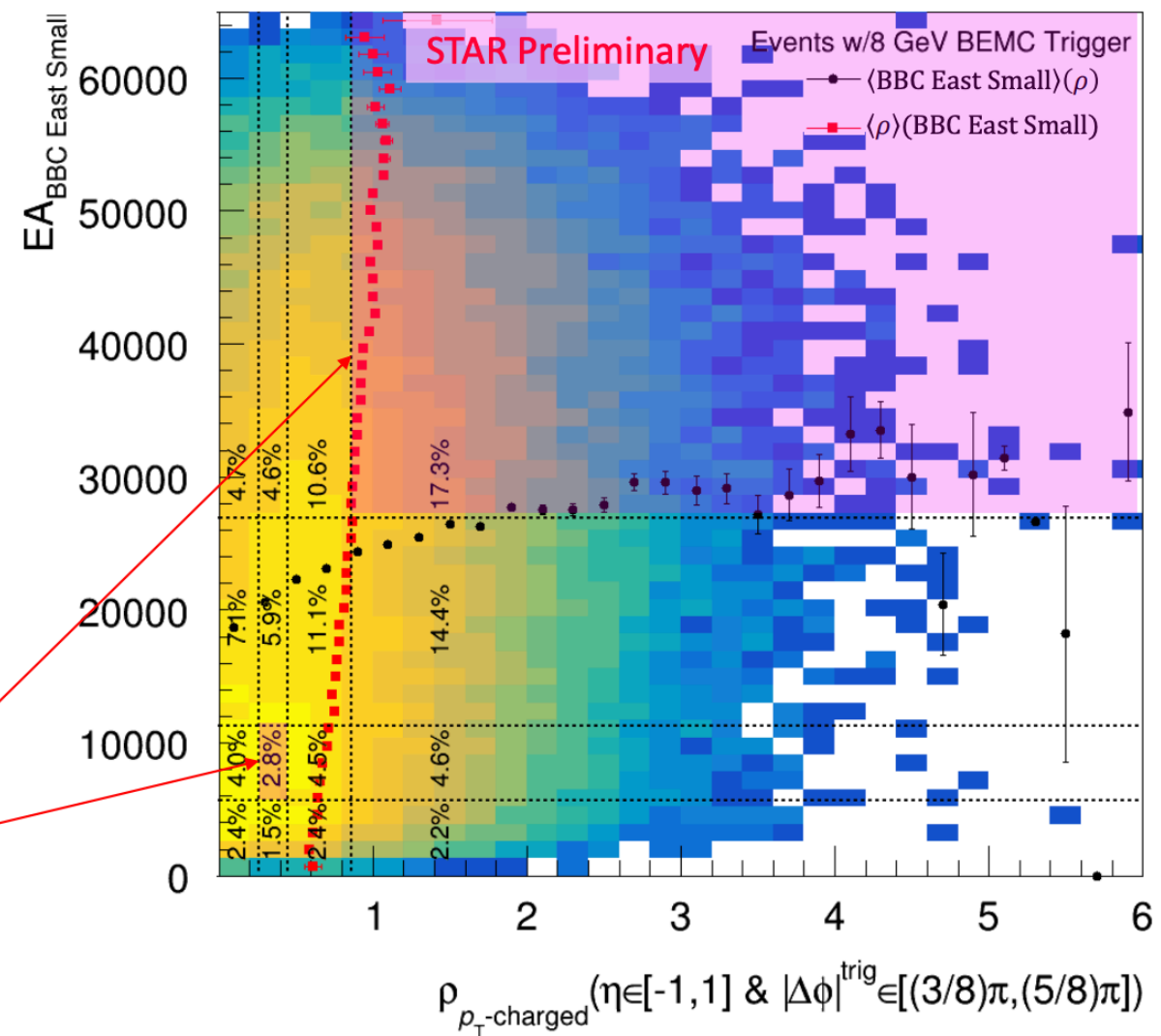
➡ No evidence for QGP-like path-length dependent energy loss

STAR semi-inclusive jets

EA-selection

STAR data: **EA**

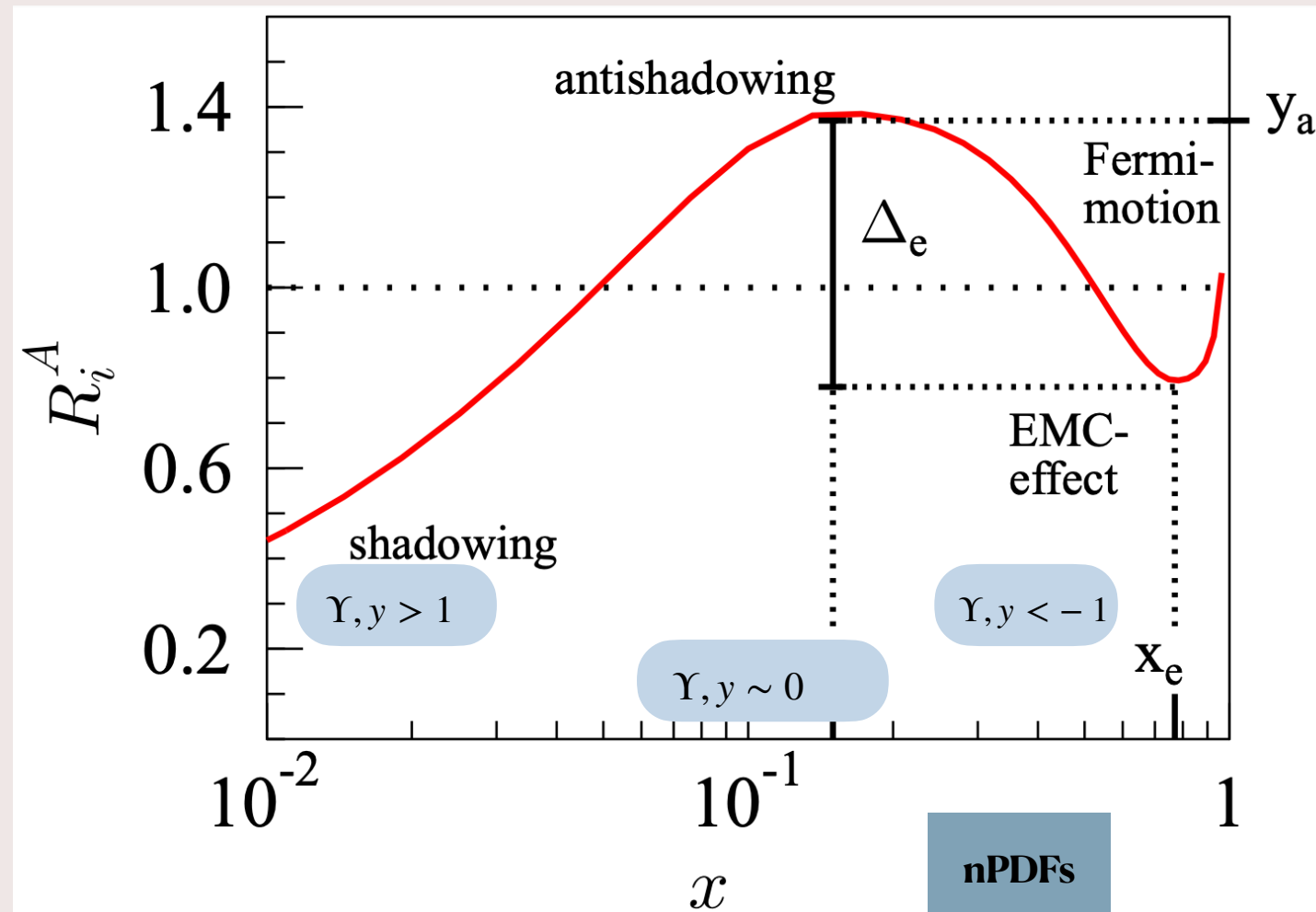
- **EA_{BBC}** & **EA_{TPC}** positively correlated
- Can compare **high-EA** events to **low-EA** events using:
 - **EA_{BBC}**
 - **EA_{TPC}**
 - Both: **EA_{BBC} \cap EA_{TPC}**



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nPDF effects for bottomonia



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[Eskola, Paukkunen, Salgado, JHEP 07 102 \(2008\)](#)

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$y = -1.5, 1 < p_T < 10 \text{ GeV}/c: 0.26 \lesssim x \lesssim 0.59 \text{ for } d\text{Au } \Upsilon$

$y = 1.5, 1 < p_T < 10 \text{ GeV}/c: 0.013 \lesssim x \lesssim 0.030 \text{ for } d\text{Au } \Upsilon$