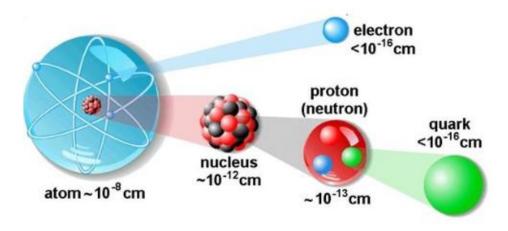
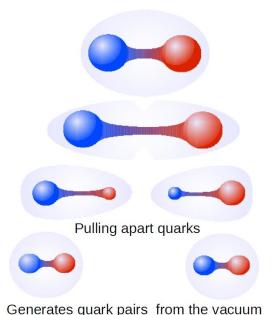
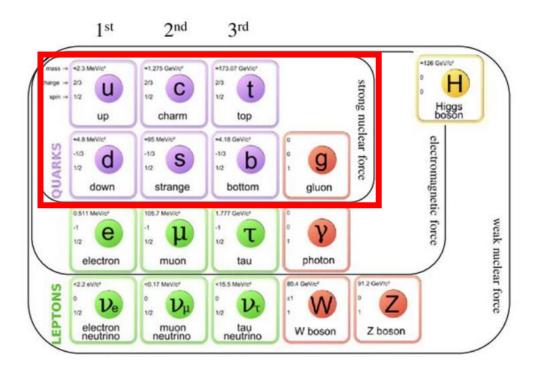


Constituents of Matter



Confinement- quarks stick together

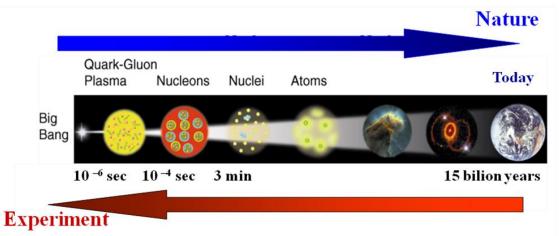


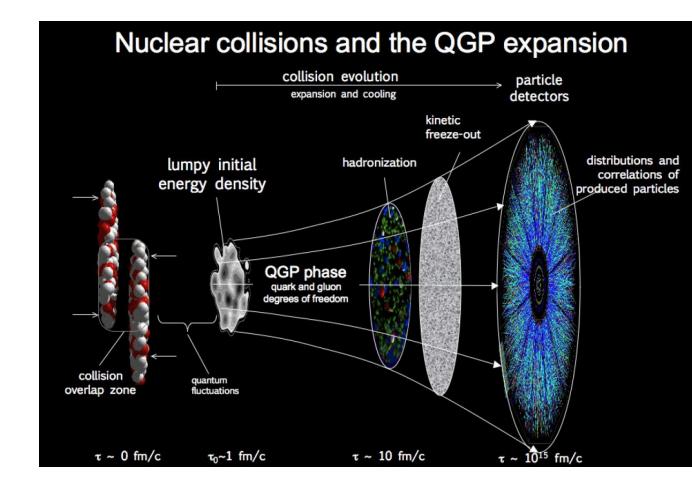


Understanding the properties of the strong force is one of the principal goals of experimental nuclear physics

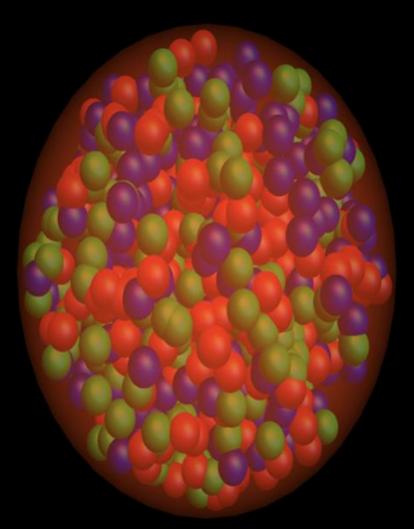
Heavy Ion Collisions

Ultra relativistic Heavy ion collisions enables the creation of a high temperature high density medium in which to study the strong force





The Quark Gluon Plasma (QGP)



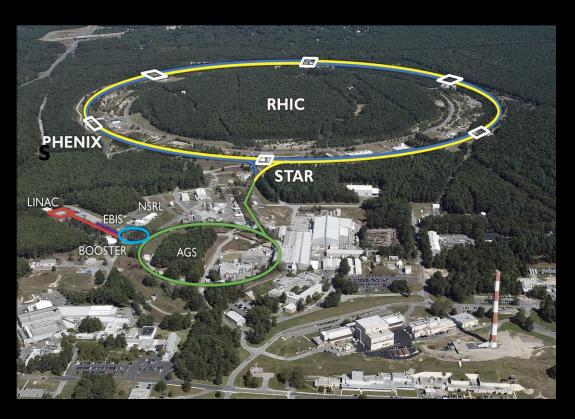
QGP is a phase of matter quarks and gluons form a nearly perfect liquid

Quarks and gluons are no longer bound together by confinement

Enables studying the properties of the strong force previously hidden behind confinement

How we produce heavy ion collisions

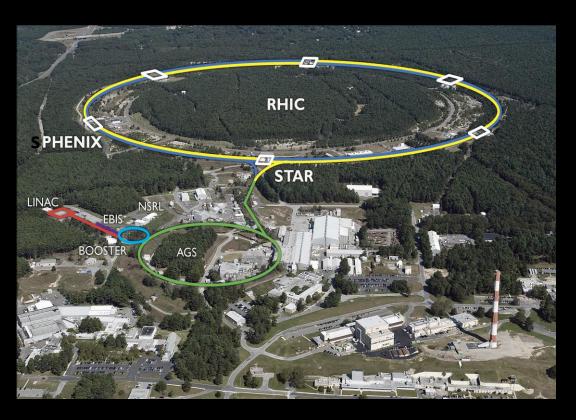
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 - The Large Hadron Collider at CERN in Switzerland/France





How we produce heavy ion collisions

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- Specifically designed for the study of heavy ion collisions
- Versatile Colliding facility!
 - Collides a vast range of nuclei:
 - Au+Au, Cu+Cu, d+Au, U+U, p+Au, He³+Au
 - Capable of producing transversely polarized proton beams
- ➤ Tunable "low" collision energy of ≤200 GeV
 - Produces a Quark Gluon Plasma (QGP) with T ~ 220 MeV (1-2 Trillion °C)

How we produce heavy ion collisions

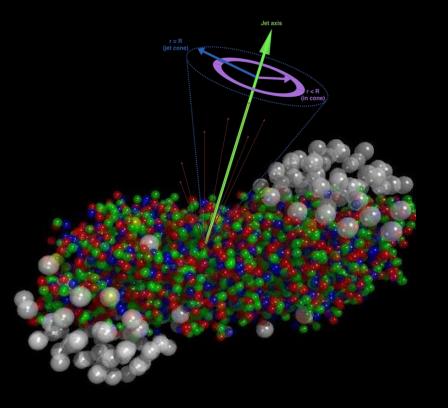
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- Joint facility for high energy particle and heavy ion physics
 - Share running time between Particle and Nuclear physics efforts
- High luminosity collider facility
 - > ~30 kHz event rate in Pb+Pb
 - Run3 will enable 50 kHz running
- ➤ High collision energy of 5.02 TeV
 - Produces a QGP with T ~ 300 MeV

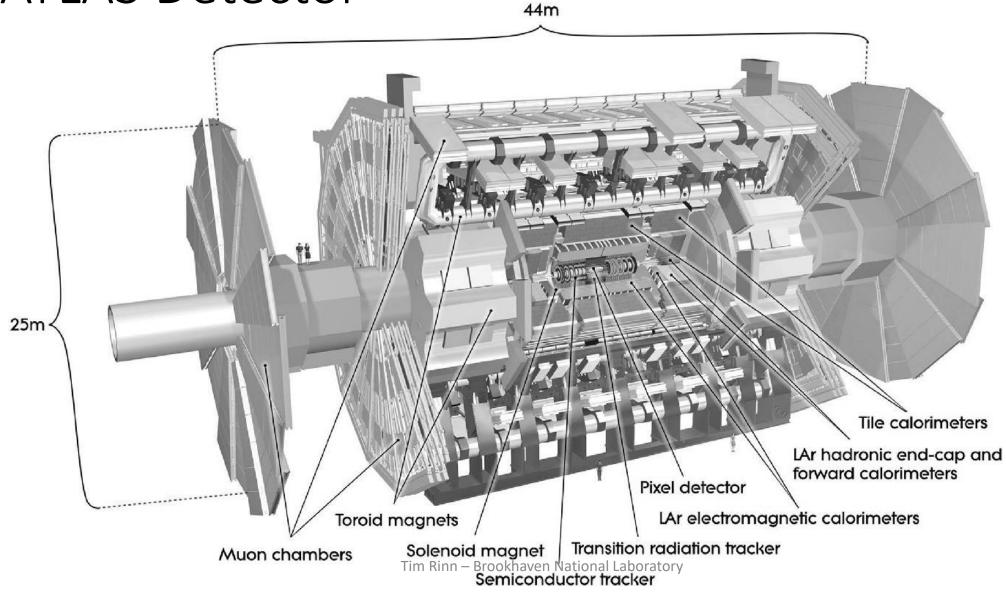


Probing the properties of the QGP

- In order to understand the properties of interactions within the QGP we want to probe it at short length scales
 - Requires high momentum probes such as jets of high p_T particles
- ➤ By studying heavy flavor quarks (bottom and charm) we are also able to probe the mass dependence of interactions



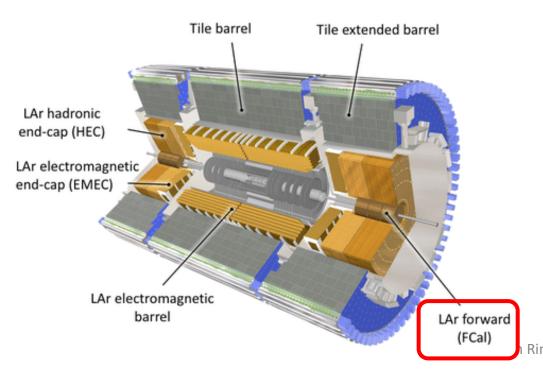
ATLAS Detector

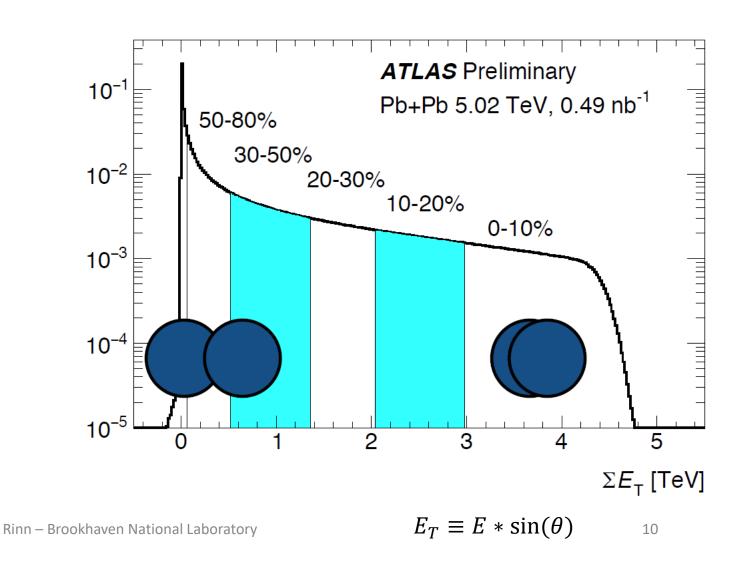


Event Classification in ATLAS

Events are classified the ΣE_T in the forward calorimeters

Correlated with the impact parameter



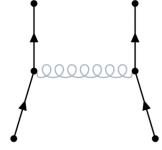


QCD Jets

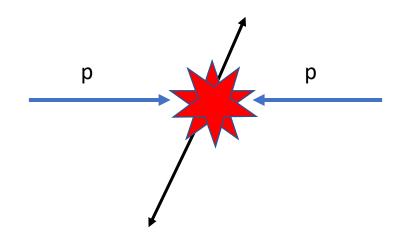
Produced in large momentum transfer QCD

interactions:

Such as:
q + q -> q + q



Calculable using perturbative techniques

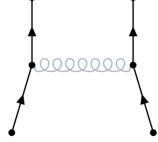


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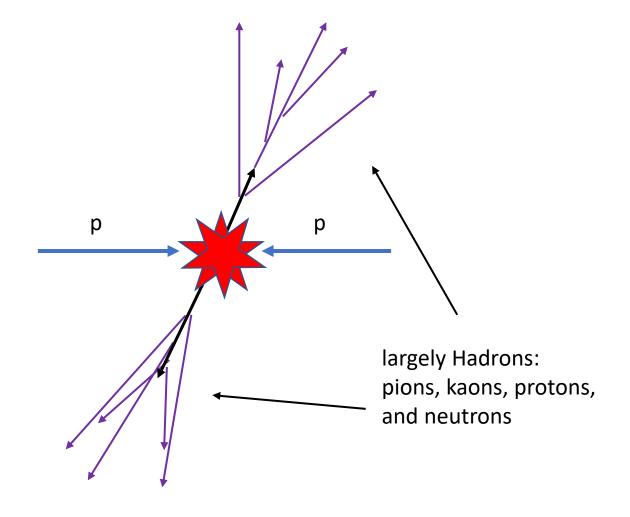
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- ➤ Initial produced quarks/gluons evolve into a particle shower through fragmentation and hadronization



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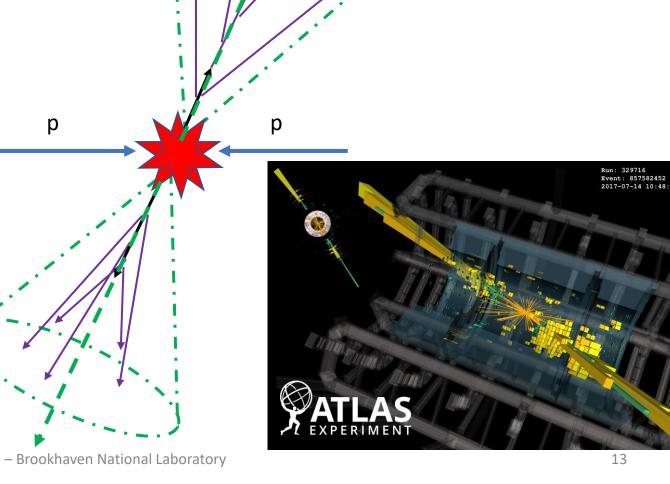
> Such as: $q + q \rightarrow q + q$



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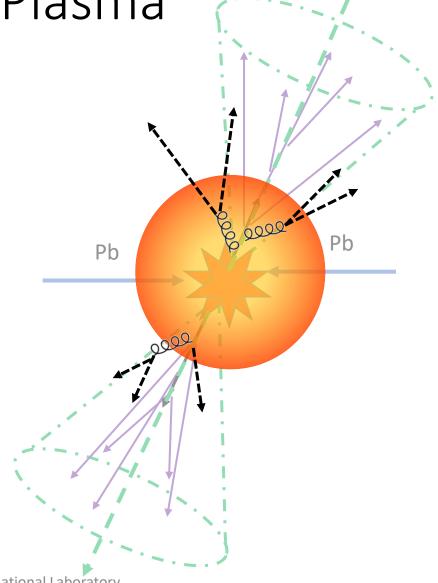
> Final state particles identified as jets using "jet finding algorithms"



Jets in the Quark Gluon Plasma

Jet constituents are modified as they traverse the nuclear medium

- Multiple scatterings with quarks and gluons
- Experience medium induced gluon radiation
- Pressure gradients from the initial geometry through the evolving medium



$$R_{AA} \equiv \frac{1}{\langle T_{AA} \rangle} \frac{dN_{AA}/dp_{T}}{d\sigma_{pp}/dp_{T}}$$



Nuclear modification of Jets

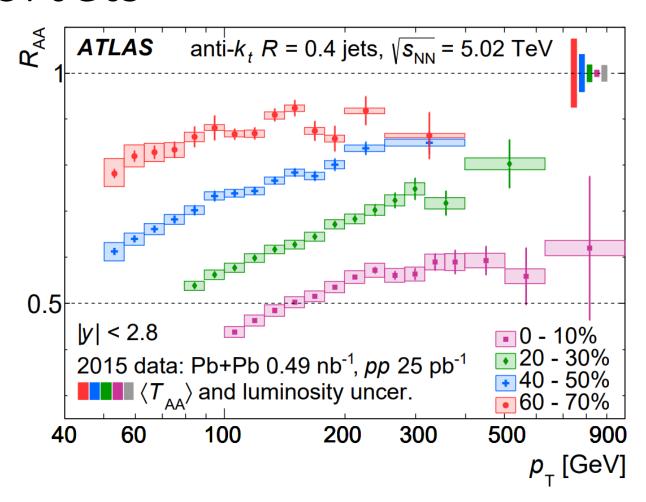
 $\langle T_{AA} \rangle \equiv \langle N_{coll} \rangle / \sigma^{pp}$

Jets in central Pb+Pb collisions observe significant energy loss

How do the jets lose energy?

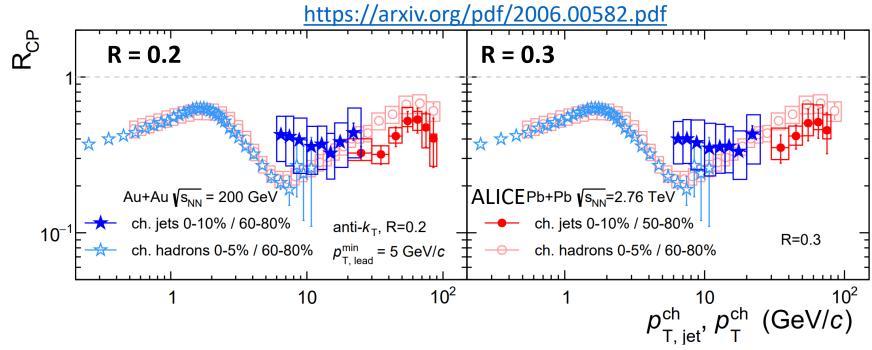
- Does it depend on the path length?
- Where in the jet is the energy lost?

Where does the energy go?





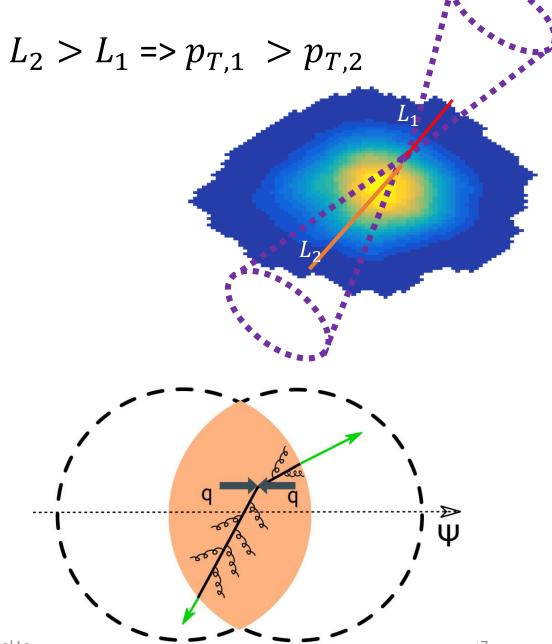
Nuclear Modification of Jets in Au+Au at RHIC:



- Similar level of jet and charged hadron suppression observed at RHIC and LHC energies
 Different underlying spectral shapes at 200 GeV versus 2.76 TeV
- \blacktriangleright No clear evidence for jet size or p_T dependence to the R_{CP} observed by STAR

Probing Jet Energy Loss

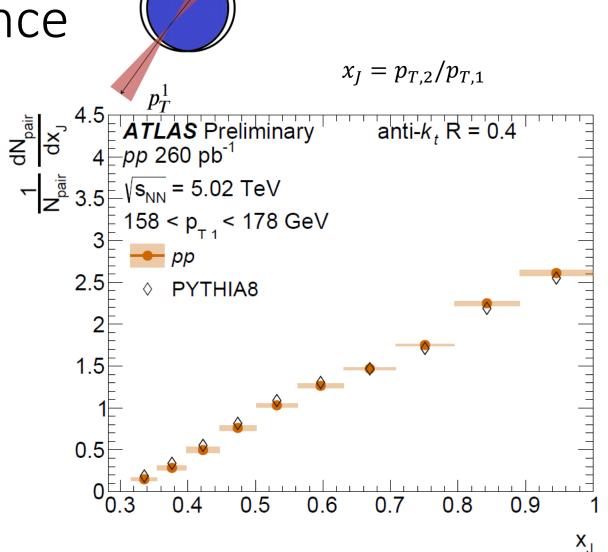
- Dijet Momentum Balance $(x_J = p_{T,2}/p_{T,1})$
 - Sensitive to path length dependent energy loss and fluctuations
- Jet v_2
 - Path length dependent energy loss can cause enhanced jet yield in-plane vs. out-of-plane: positive v_2







In pp collisions where no QGP is formed dijets favor symmetric momentum

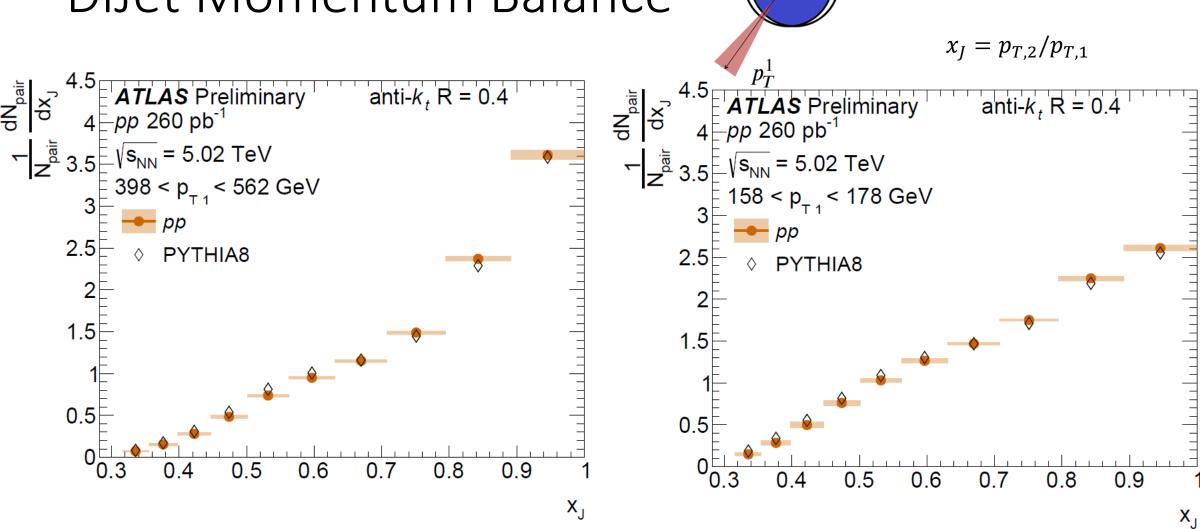


 p_T^2

 p_T^2



DiJet Momentum Balance

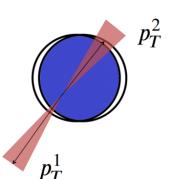


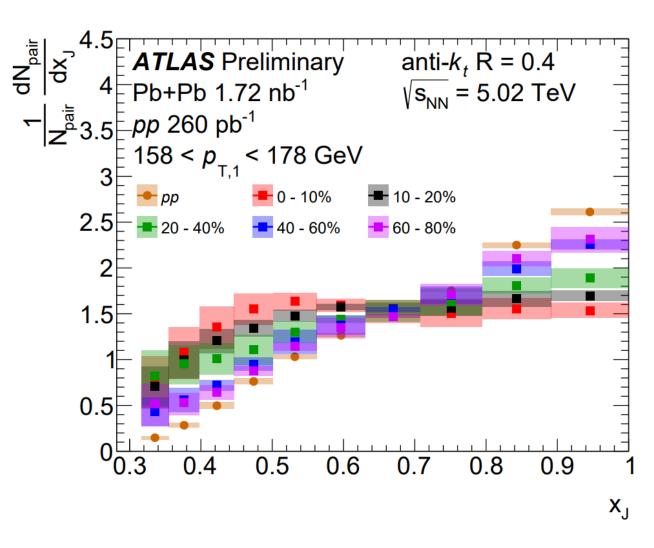
As we increase the p_T of the jets they become more collimated and dijets become more symmetric $_{\rm Tim\ Rinn\ -\ Brookhaven\ National\ Laboratory}$



➤ Observe significant suppression of symmetric dijets Pb+Pb collisions

Clear reduction in modification between central collisions and peripheral Pb+Pb

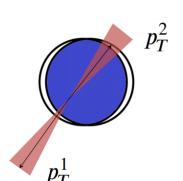


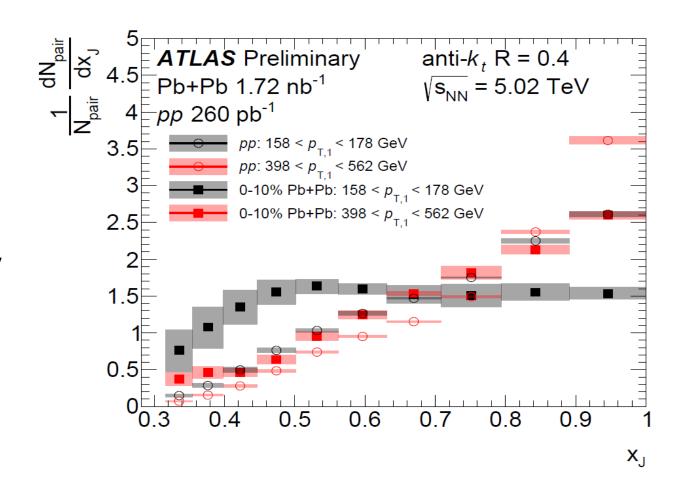




Observe significant suppression of symmetric dijets in Central Pb+Pb across jet p_T

subleading jet having loses more energy than the leading jet potentially due to traversing a larger distance in the medium

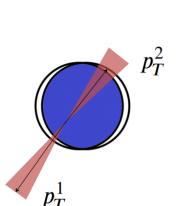


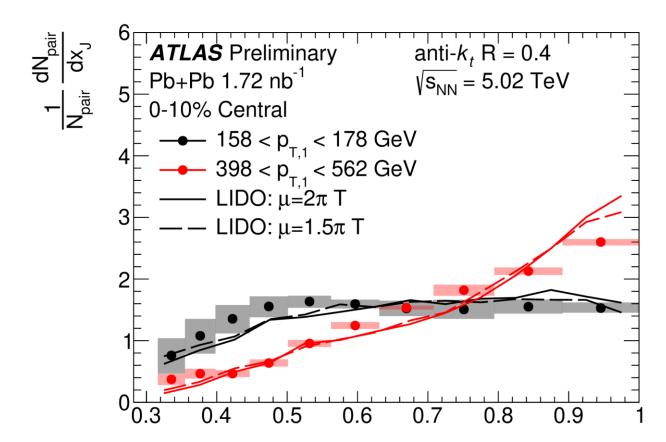




Predictions made from the LIDO group agree well with the measured x_I distributions:

➤ LIDO is a global data calibrated partonic transport model





LIDO: https://arxiv.org//abs/2010.13680

 $X_{.1}$

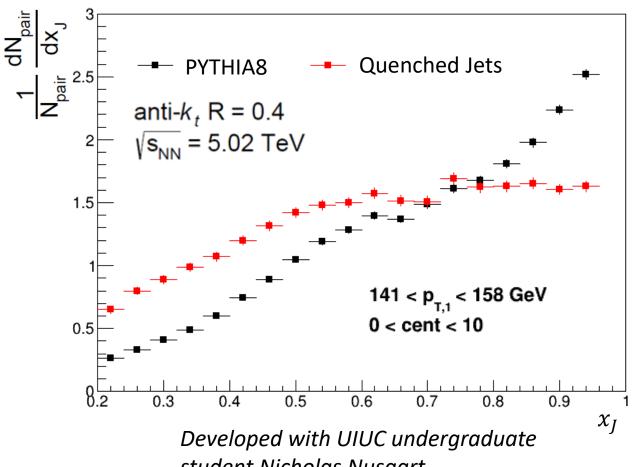
Contributions to the DiJet momentum Balance



With an undergraduate student we developed a phenomenological model of path length dependent energy loss

- $> \Delta p_T \propto \alpha p_T^{\beta} \ell^2$
- ➤ Momentum loss tuned with the jet R_{AA}
- ➤ Medium modeled using Glauber simulations

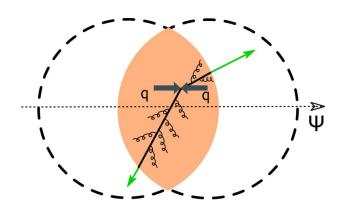
Highlights that the dijet momentum balance is particularly sensitive to path length dependent energy loss

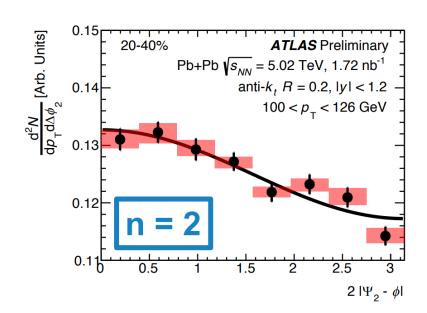


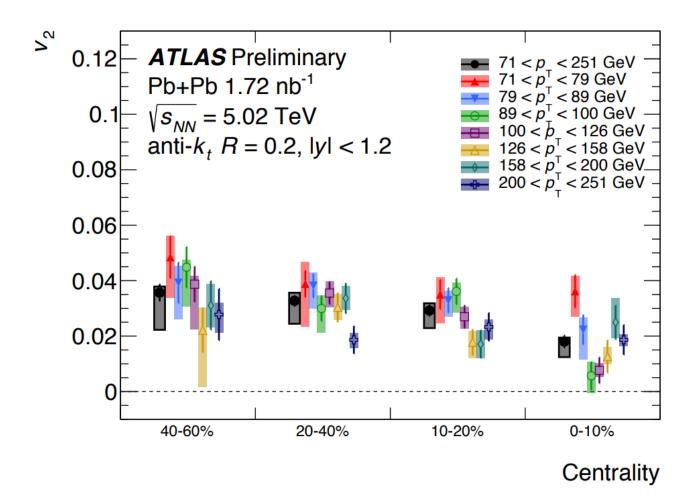
student Nicholas Nusgart



Jet v_2







ATLAS observes for R=0.2 Jets a significant 1-4% jet v_2 on inclusive jet $p_T > v_2$ is enhanced in more elliptical initial states (mid central, peripheral)

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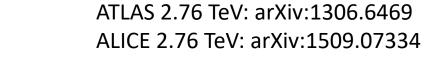


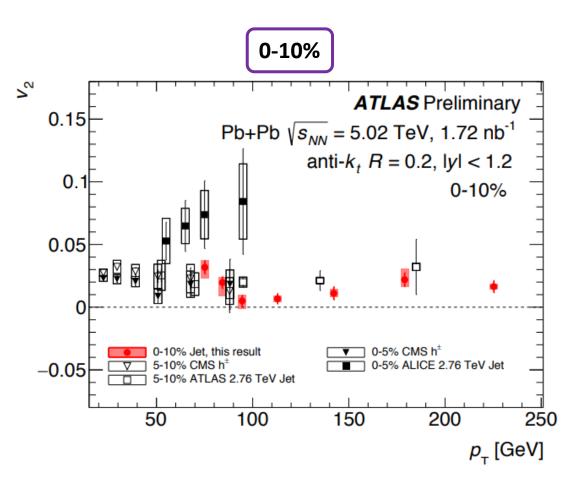


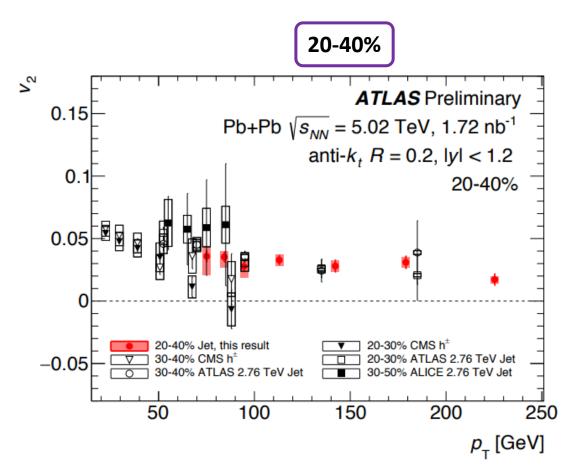




Jet v_2





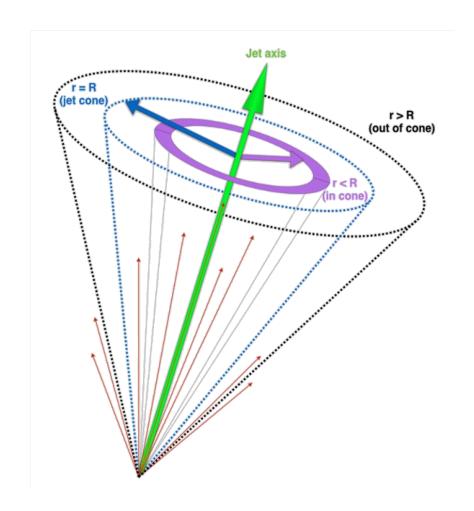


> Significant increase in precision compared to global data!

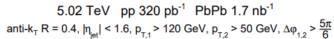
Jet Fragmentation

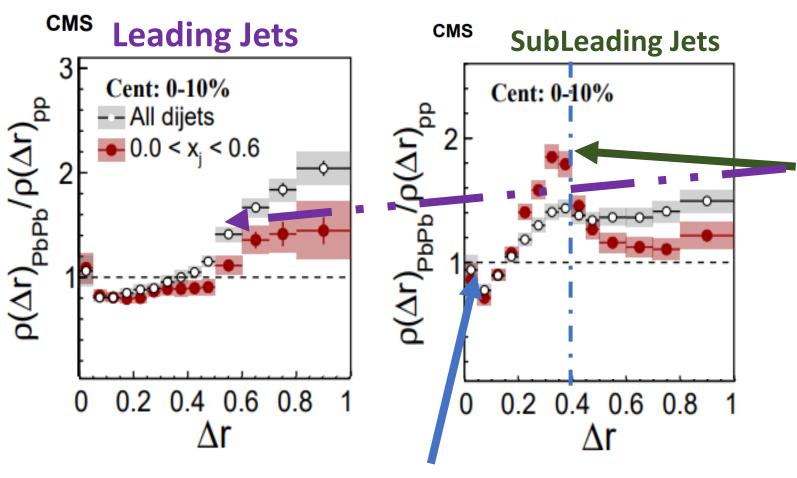
Where does this lost energy go?

- ➤ Look for energy around the jet
- ➤ How does the energy make up of the jet change through the QGP
 - ➤ Do we observe a loss of high energy particles?
 - ➤ Where in the jet do we see the energy loss?









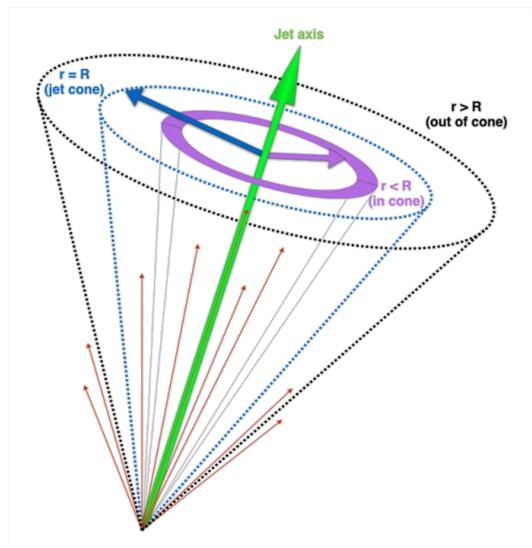
Clear enhancement of momentum caried near the edges of the subleading jet compared to the leading jet

Quenched jets observe significant broadening

Clear depletion of momentum near the core of the jet for the subleading jet

Where next?

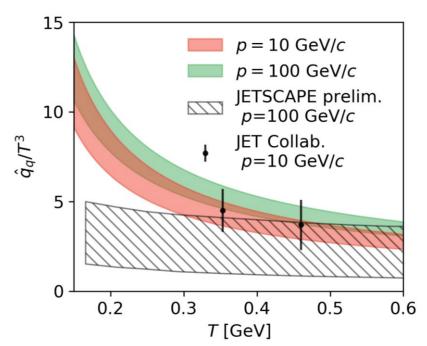
- ➤ How does jet quenching depend on the size of the jet
 - Do broader jets lose more energy?
- ➤ Do jets from heavy flavor quarks experience different energy loss
 - > Radiative energy loss is expected to be mass dependent
- > How does jet energy loss depend on system size
- ➤ How does the medium interactions depend on temperature
 - ➤ Need a state of the art jet detector at RHIC to provide "low" temperature QGP medium



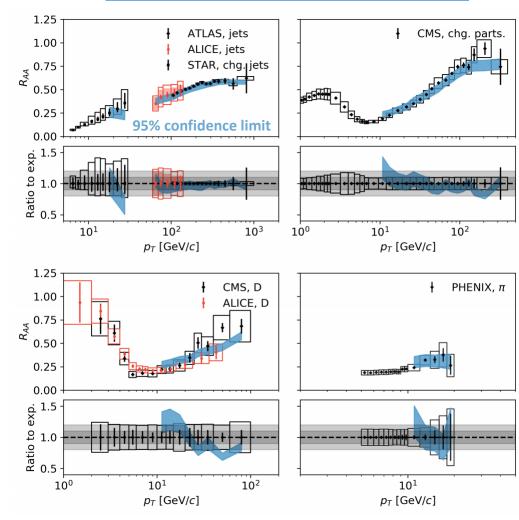
Global Bayesian Analyses

Theory collaborations use R_{AA} measurements from both RHIC and LHC experiments in Bayesian analyses to extract insight on the QGP properties

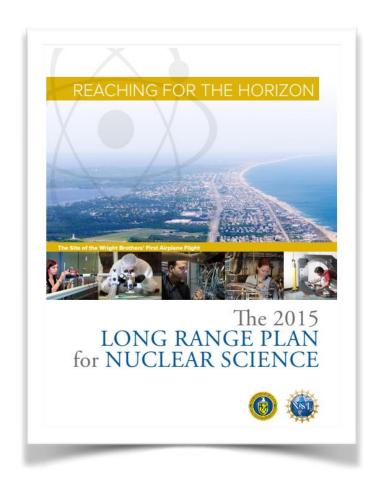
ightharpoonup Recent publications by Weiyao Ke and Xin-Nian Wang, as well as the JETSCAPE collaboration highlight extractions of jet transport coefficient \hat{q}



https://arxiv.org/pdf/2010.13680.pdf



sPHENIX: state-of-the-art Jet Detector at RHIC



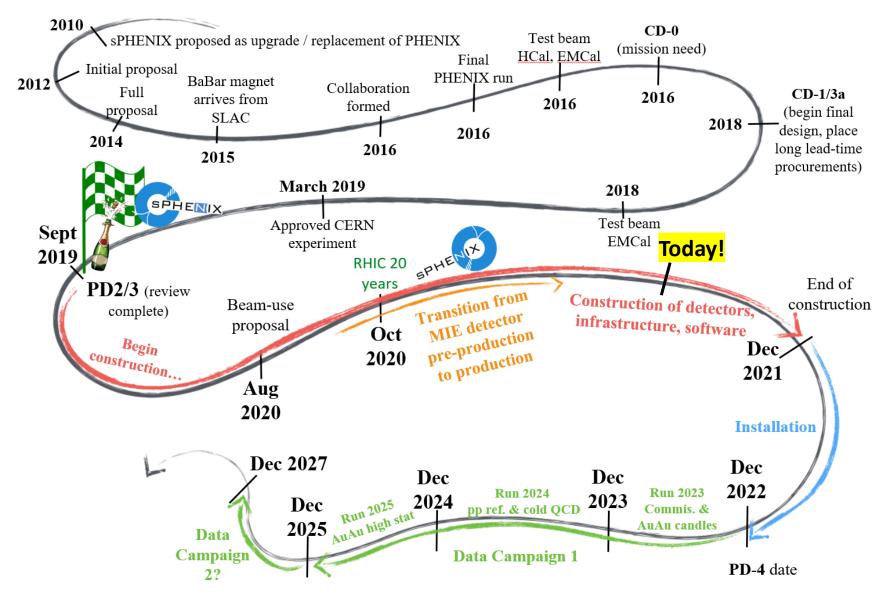


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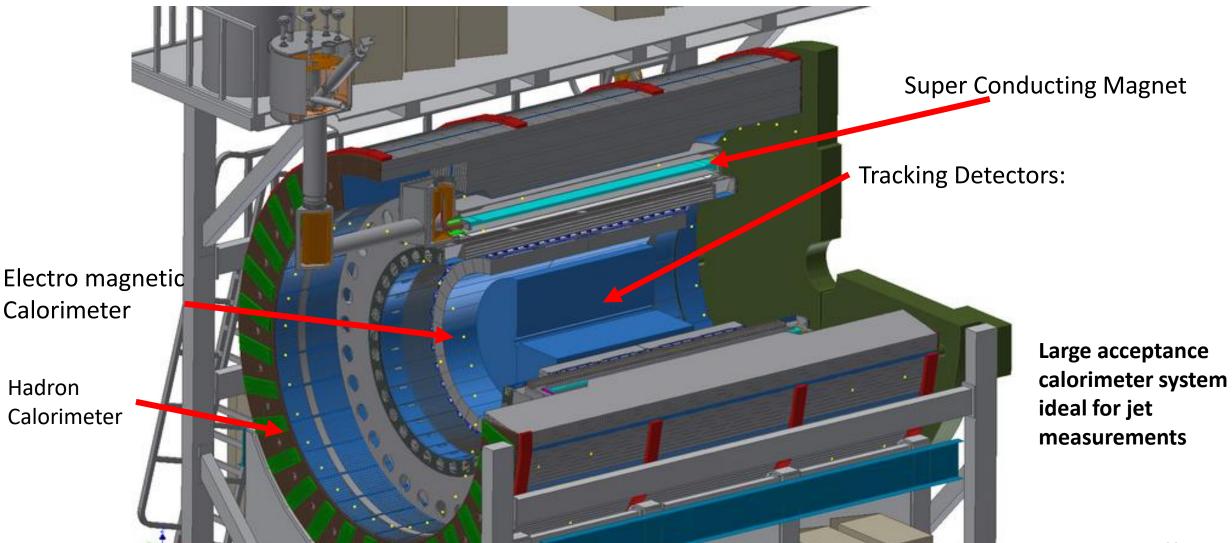


There are two central goals of measurements planned at RHIC, as it completes its scientific mission, and at the LHC (1) Probe the inner workings of QGP by resolving its properties at shorter and shorter length scales. The complementarity of the two facilities is essential to this goal, as is a state-of-the-art jet detector at RHIC, called sPHENIX. (2) Map the phase diagram of QCD with experiments planned at RHIC.

sPHENIX: A Timeline

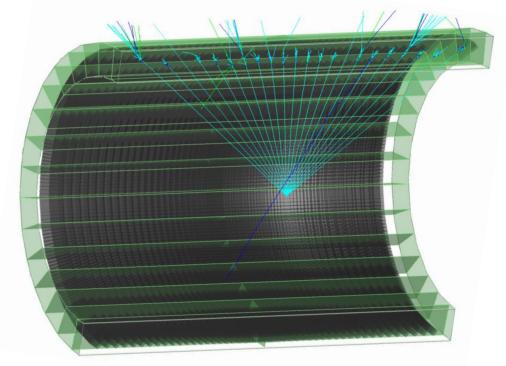


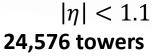
The sPHENIX Detector

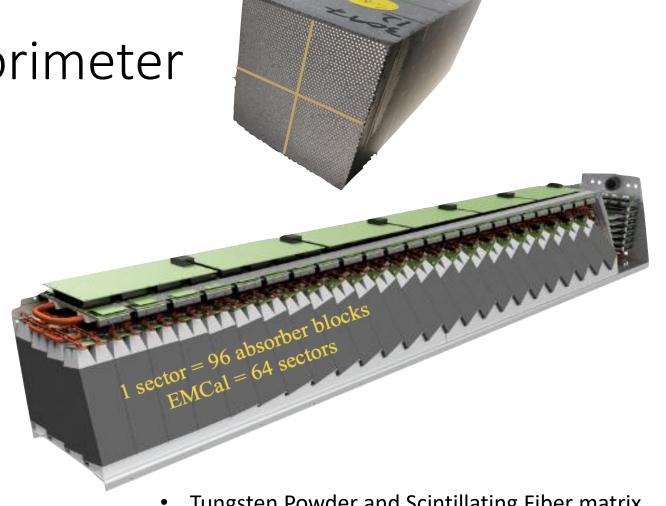


Electromagnetic calorimeter

- Projective in both η and ϕ
 - All fibers point to collision vertex



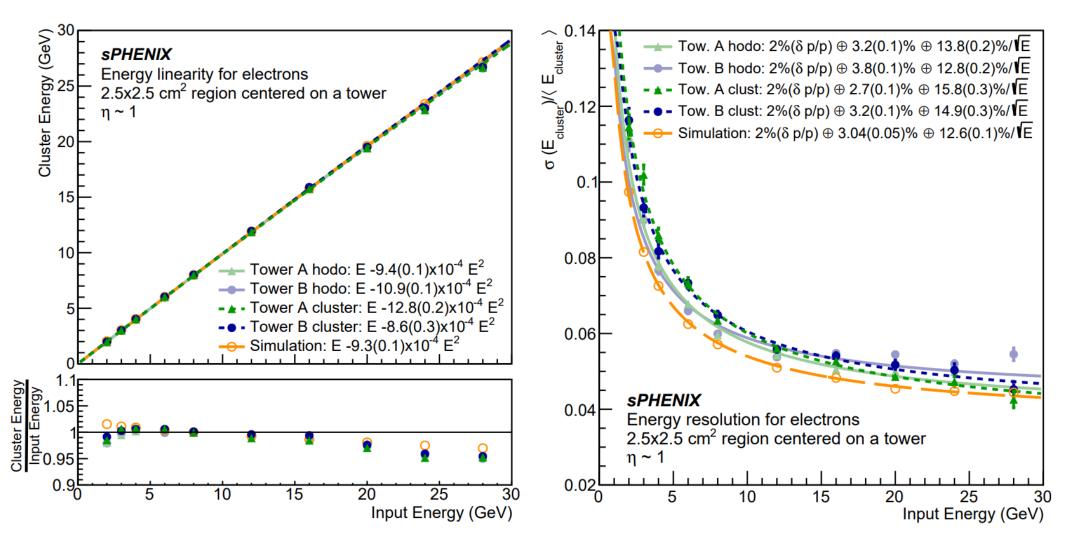




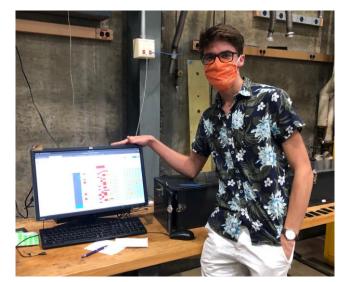
- Tungsten Powder and Scintillating Fiber matrix
- Enables compact design through compact showers
 - $R_m \approx 2.3 \text{ cm}$
 - Module \sim 20 radiation lengths \sim 14 cm

Test Beam Results:

High resolution calorimeter with strong energy linearity!



sPHENIX Calorimeter team at UIUC



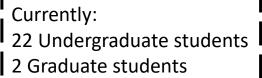
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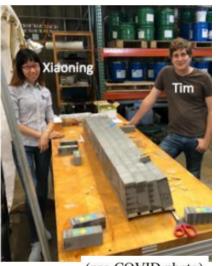


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Anticipated run plan from beam use proposal

sPHENIX run plan

An extensive three-year sPHENIX run is currently planned

➤ Variety of collision systems!

Additional running is proposed incase the EIC experiences delays

Year	Species	Energy	Physics Running Weeks	Sampled Luminosity z < 10 cm
2022		Installation	and commissioning	
2023	Au+Au	200 GeV	13	$6.9 \ nb^{-1}$
2024	p+p	200 GeV	16	$62 pb^{-1}$
2024	p+Au	200 GeV	5	$0.11 pb^{-1}$
2025	Au+Au	200 GeV	24.5	$25 nb^{-1}$

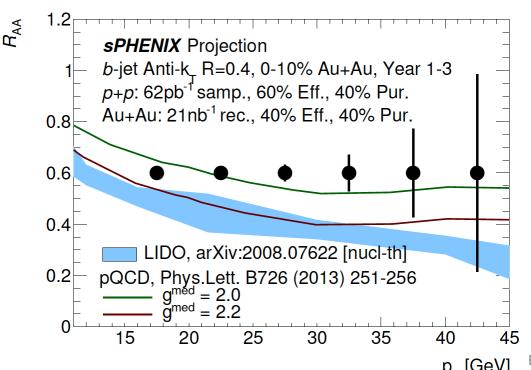
Proposed expanded run plan

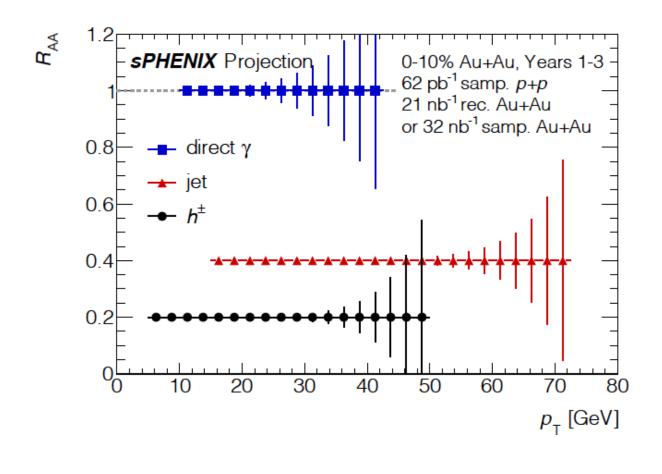
Year	Species	Energy	Physics Running Weeks	Sampled Luminosity z < 10 cm
2026	р+р	200 GeV	15.5	$80 pb^{-1}$
2026	0+0	200 GeV	13	$37 nb^{-1}$
2026	Ar+Ar	200 GeV	16	$12 nb^{-1}$
2027	Au+Au	200 GeV	24.5	$30 nb^{-1}$

sPHENIX Projections: Jets

High-statistics data will enable multidimensional studies of jets and heavy flavor jets

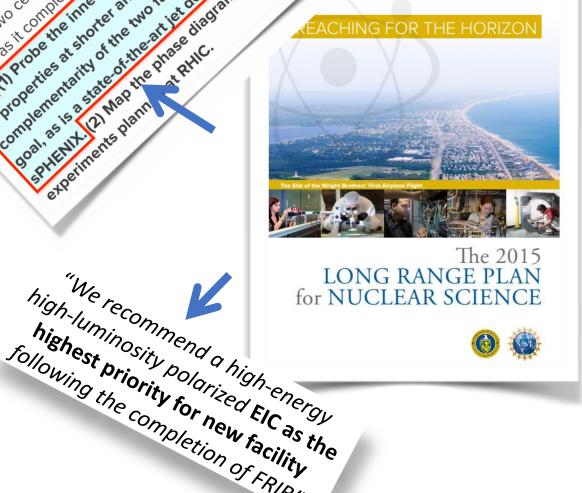
➤ Tons of jets!





Summary

- Heavy ion physics provides key insights to the properties of the quark gluon plasma
- ➤ Jet measurements from both RHIC and the LHC
- ➤ Precise jet measurements from sPHENIX will provide critical information on jet quenching at RHIC energies!
 - > Enhanced constraint for theoretical models



Backups

Direct Photons, hadrons, and Jets:

https://arxiv.org/pdf/2102.11337.pdf

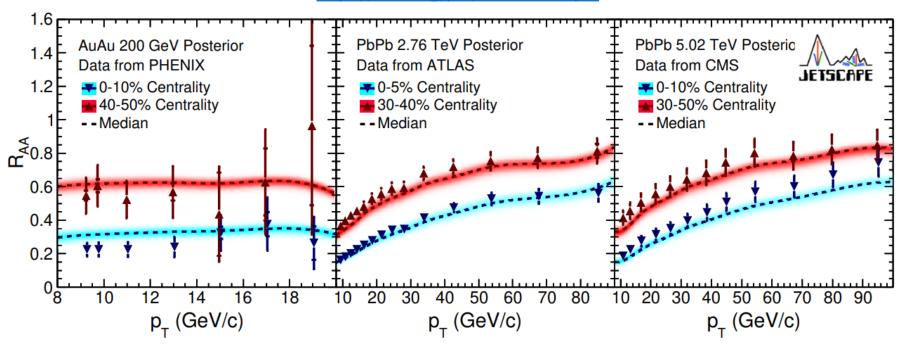


FIG. 7. (Color online) Posterior predictive distributions of inclusive hadron R_{AA} using LBT compared to the same data as Fig. 6.

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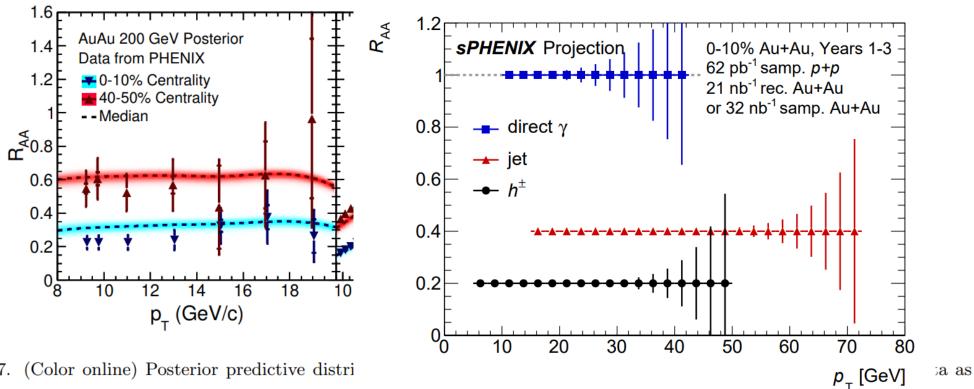


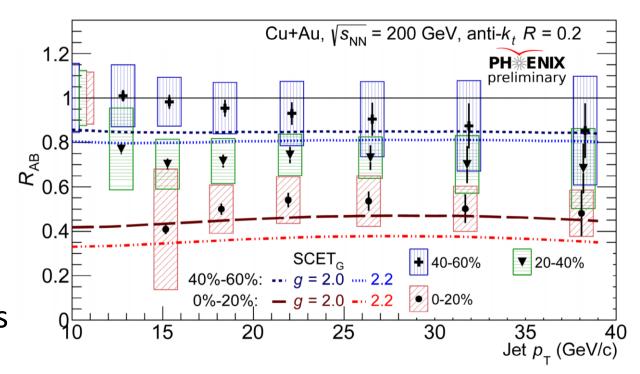
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- \triangleright Bayesian analysis of world charged hadron R_{AA} data to extract the jet transport coefficient, \hat{q} , using the JETSCAPE framework
- \triangleright Enhanced charged R_{AA} precision and reach compared to PHENIX will provide constraint to theoretical models at RHIC energies Tim Rinn – Brookhaven National Laboratory



Nuclear Modification of Jets in Cu+Au

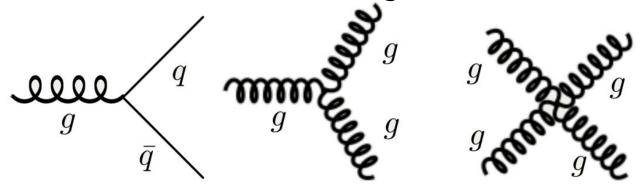
- Clear centrality dependence to modification
- \succ No significant p_T dependence observed
- Similar suppression as seen in 0-20% Cu+Au events as observed in Au+Au (R_{CP}) and Pb+Pb (R_{AA}) collisions



Quantum Chromodynamics

Quantum Chromo Dynamics (QCD) describes interactions between quarks and gluons

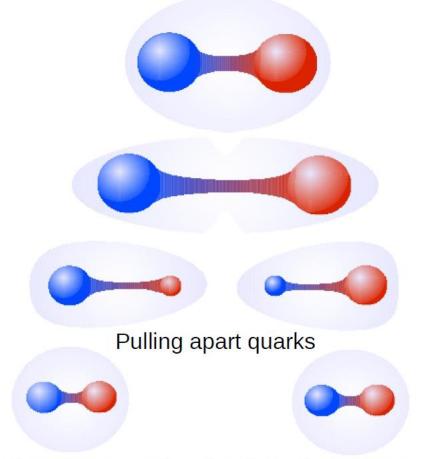
Contains 3 principal interactions based upon color charge



Understanding the properties of the strong force is one of the principle goals of experimental nuclear physics

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Confinement- quarks always stick together



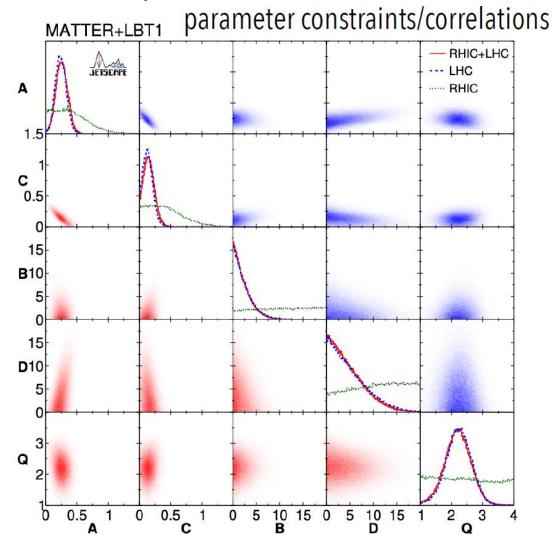
Generates quark pairs from the vacuum

Global Bayesian Analysis: JetScape

$$\frac{\hat{q}\left(E,T\right)|_{A,B,C,D}}{T^{3}}=42C_{R}\frac{\zeta(3)}{\pi}\left(\frac{4\pi}{9}\right)^{2}\left\{\frac{A\left[\ln\left(\frac{E}{\Lambda}\right)-\ln(B)\right]}{\left[\ln\left(\frac{E}{\Lambda}\right)\right]^{2}}+\frac{C\left[\ln\left(\frac{E}{T}\right)-\ln(D)\right]}{\left[\ln\left(\frac{ET}{\Lambda^{2}}\right)\right]^{2}}\right\}$$

Constraint in the JETScape Bayesian analysis comes primarily from LHC data

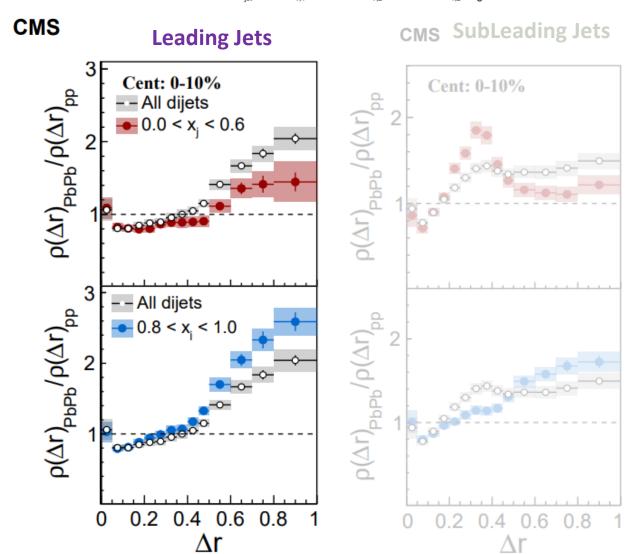
Future data from sPHENIX with increased kinematic reach and precision will be able to help constrain the temperature dependence to \hat{q}





Leading Dijet Fragmentation

5.02 TeV pp 320 pb⁻¹ PbPb 1.7 nb⁻¹ anti- k_T R = 0.4, $|\eta_{iet}|$ < 1.6, $p_{T,1}$ > 120 GeV, $p_{T,2}$ > 50 GeV, $\Delta \phi_{1,2}$ > $\frac{5\pi}{6}$



No significant modification from inclusive dijets to the jet shape of the leading jet for highly asymmetric dijets

$$P(\Delta r) = \frac{1}{\delta r} \frac{1}{N_{\text{jets}}} \Sigma_{\text{jets}} \Sigma_{\text{tracks} \in (\Delta r_a, \Delta r_b)} p_{\text{T}}^{\text{ch}},$$

$$\rho(\Delta r) = \frac{P(\Delta r)}{\sum_{\text{jets}} \sum_{\text{tracks} \in \Delta r < 1} p_{\text{T}}^{\text{ch}}}.$$

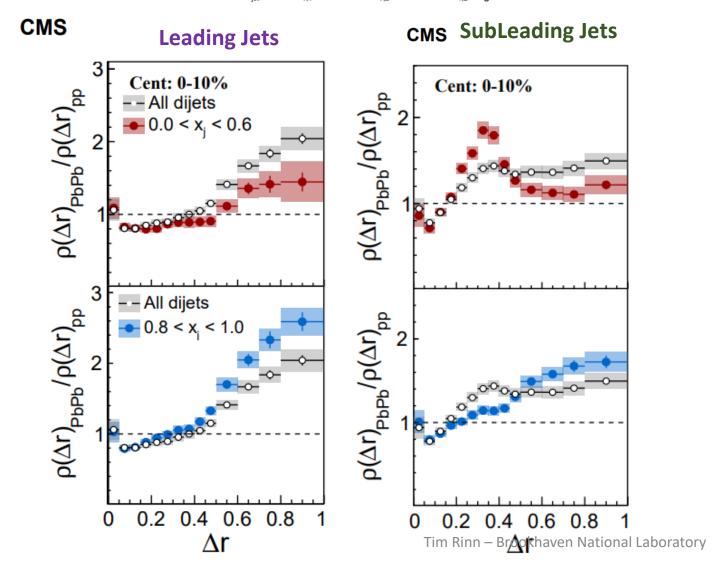
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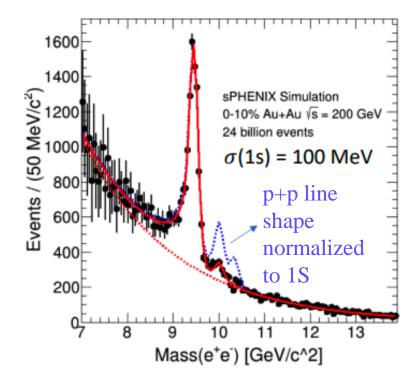


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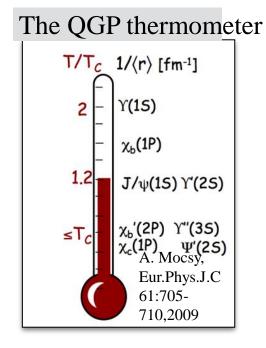
The **subleading** jet for $x_J < 0.6$ observes significant enhancement of fragment momentum between $0.2 < \Delta R < 0.4$

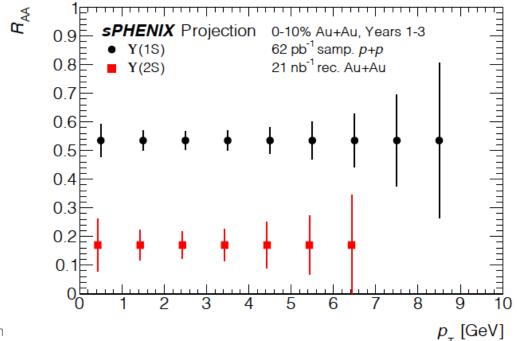
For **symmetric jets** similar modification is seen for the leading and **subleading** jet

Upsilon Spectroscopy



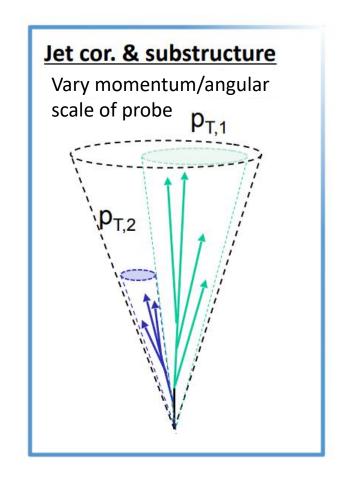
Enables precision measurements of $\Upsilon(1S)$ and $\Upsilon(2S)$

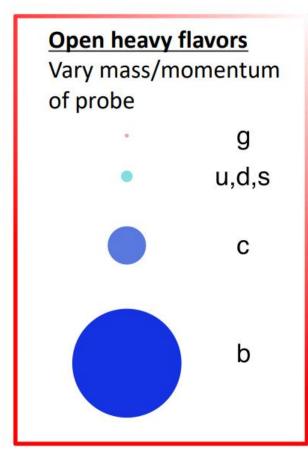


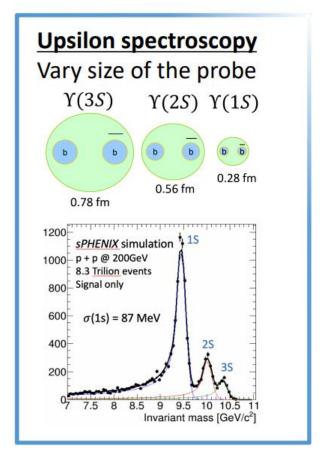


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sPHENIX Core Physics Program







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Resources needed for block construction:

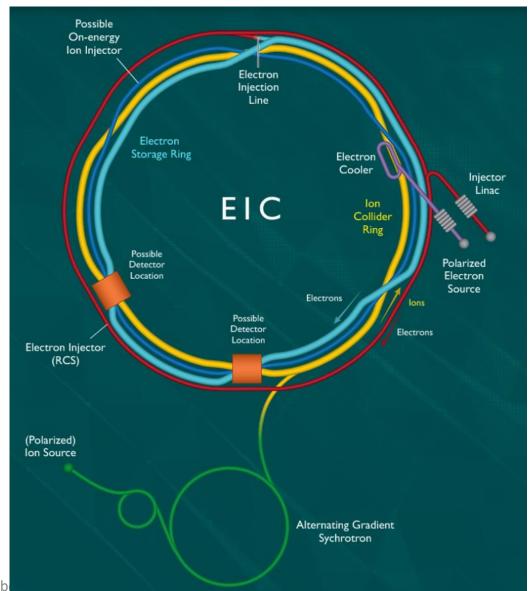
Block Construction Cost: \$844 per block + \$250 at BNL

 2600 km of Scintillating Fibers 	\$406 per block
 665 kg of epoxy 	\$19 per block
• 123 Gallons of Ethanol	insignificant
• 88 Square meters of Brass screens	\$36 per block
 20 metric tons of Tungsten Powder 	\$232 per block
 Hundreds of Cans of Flex Seal 	~\$2 per block

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The Electron Ion Collider

- ➤ Under development high energy electron lon collider to be located at Brookhaven National Laboratory
 - ➤ Utilizes the powerful RHIC accelerator to produce beams of heavy ions and polarized protons
- Expected first beams in 2030!
 - > Less than 10 years away
- ➤ 2015 Long Range plan for Nuclear Physics: "We recommend a high-energy highluminosity polarized EIC as the highest priority for new facility following the completion of FRIB"



Key physics questions for the EIC:

- ➤ What is the mass dependence to the hadronization process?
 - ➤ Why do we see light and heavy mesons losing similar amounts of energy in Pb+Pb collisions at the LHC?
- ➤ What is the path length dependence to interactions with cold nuclear matter?
 - ➤ Versatile collider facility can scan effective path length through varying the target ion
- ➤ How do the nucleonic properties such as mass and spin emerge from partons and their interactions
 - \sim 2 orders of magnitude of improvement in x and Q^2 compared to previous experiments

The ECCE Consortium

- The ECCE consortium looks to build off of the sPHENIX detector to be a day one EIC experiment
 - ➤ Natural evolution from sPHENIX to the EIC
 - > 47 member institutions
- Expression of Interest submitted in response to the 2020 EIC-EIO call from BNL and Jlab
- Formal proposal is being drafted and will be submitted by years end

Expression of Interest (EOI) for the EIC Collider Detector ("ECCE") Consortium



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Institutions collectively involved in this submission of interest:

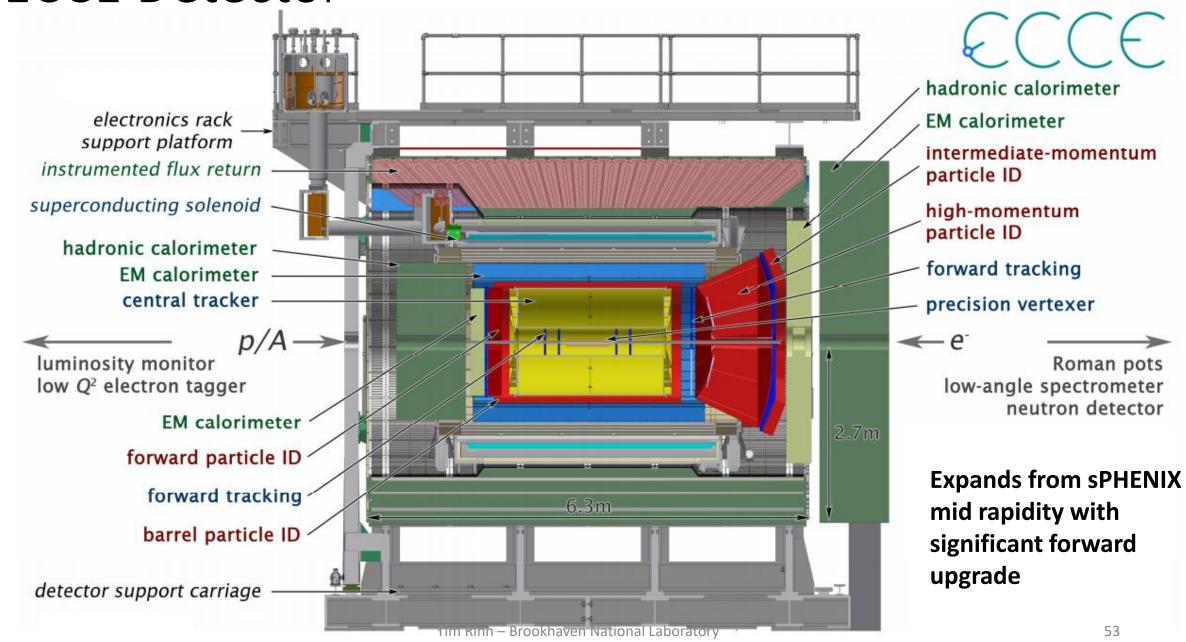
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Items of interest for potential equipment cooperation:

The EIC enables an exciting research program which will advance our understanding of the structure of hadronic matter. A state-of-the-art collider detector for the EIC, which is needed to realize its physics program, will be extremely complex. It will require extensive infrastructure, and will need to be integrated into the operation of the accelerator to a very high degree. The technically driven reference schedule for the EIC project is aggressive and presents a significant challenge for an EIC detector to be designed, built, commissioned, and ready to start delivering science when the machine begins to deliver collisions. The substantial resources needed to construct a state-of-the-art detector for the EIC present an additional challenge. Time-tested strategies for addressing such challenges include the reuse of existing infrastructure where suitable and leveraging the hardwon expertise gained through previous successful projects.

The <u>EIC</u> Collider dEtector (ECCE) consortium comprises 36 institutions assembled around the idea of building on the foundation of existing infrastructure available at RHIC IP8 and experimental equipment available there and elsewhere at JLab and RHIC. The consortium includes institutions with wide-ranging world-class detector expertise, strong familiarity with the EIC-suitable characteristics of IP8, and an understanding of the approach to DOE project management. Appropriate use of existing infrastructure will help mitigate several technical and schedule risks of an EIC detector project. The technical expertise in the consortium can build on and extend upon the base provided by existing equipment to provide a complete detector with capabilities mandated by the EIC science requirements as defined by the recent EIC Yellow-Report community effort. The substantial project management experience of the involved institutions provides credible "out of the box" know-how for realizing such a sophisticated detector.

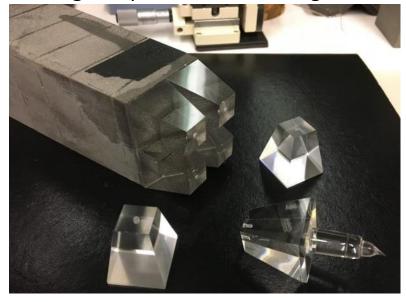
ECCE Detector



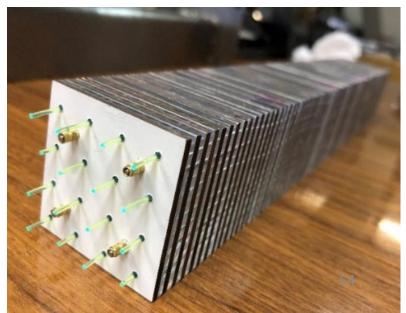
EIC detector construction

- ➤ Opportunity to pursue DOE/NSF funding to develop and produce the forward calorimeter systems
 - ➤ Build off experience constructing the sPHENIX calorimeter
 - Collaboration with other universities such as Iowa State University, University of Illinois, and Georgia State University
- ➤ Significant opportunities for early involvement
 - Establish as system experts in time for day one physics
 - ➤ Great opportunity for students to have hands on experience in detector construction
- ➤ Several design ideas already being explored!

Tungsten powder scintillating fiber



Tungsten/scintillating tile calorimeter

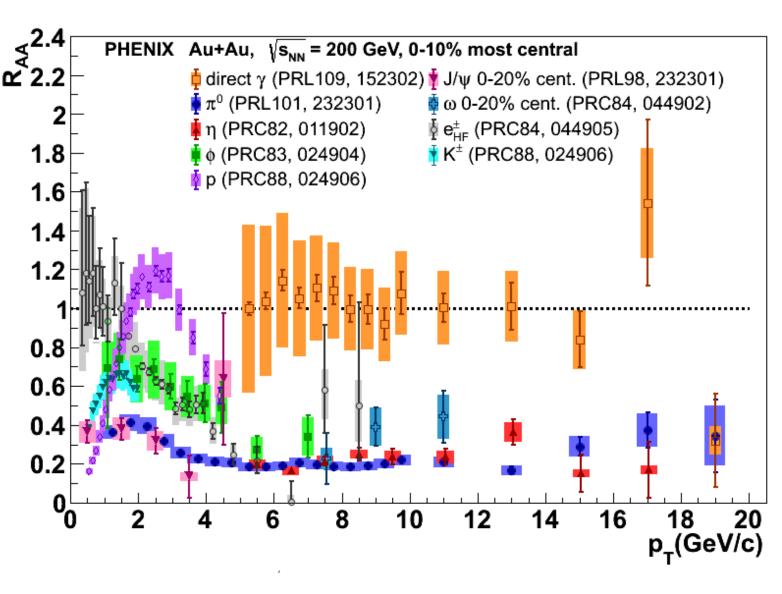


Key Evidence for QGP as strongly interacting

medium Energy Loss of color charged probes

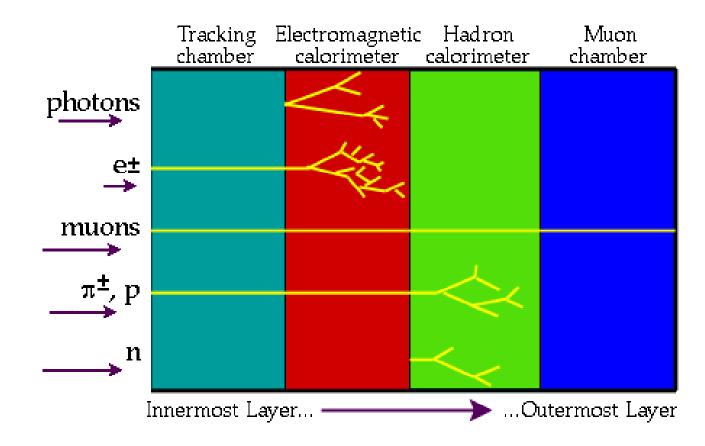
- Quarks and gluons lose energy as they propagate through the plasma
- Direct photons (γ) do not interact strongly and therefore and experience no energy loss

$$R_{AA} \equiv \frac{1}{\langle T_{AA} \rangle} \frac{dN_{AA}/dp_T}{d\sigma_{pp}/dp_T}$$
$$\langle T_{AA} \rangle \equiv \langle N_{coll} \rangle / \sigma^{pp}$$



Measuring various types of particles

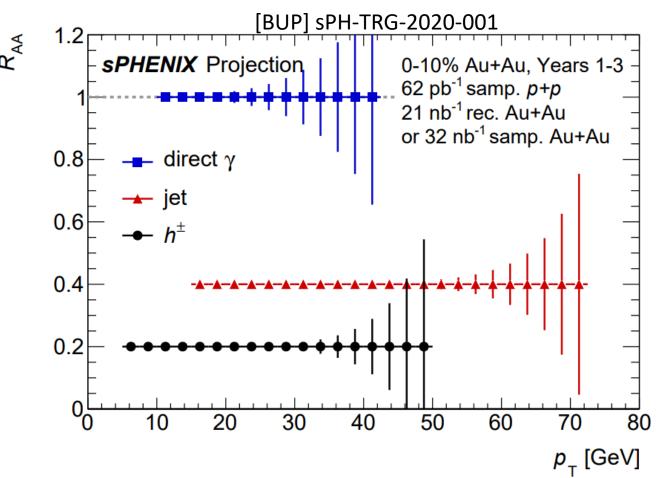
Typical detectors have up to 4 main classes of detector systems



$$R_{AA} \equiv rac{1}{N_{Coll}} rac{rac{d^2 N_{AA}}{dy dp_T}}{rac{d^2 N}{dy dp_T}}$$

Direct Photons, hadrons, and Jets:

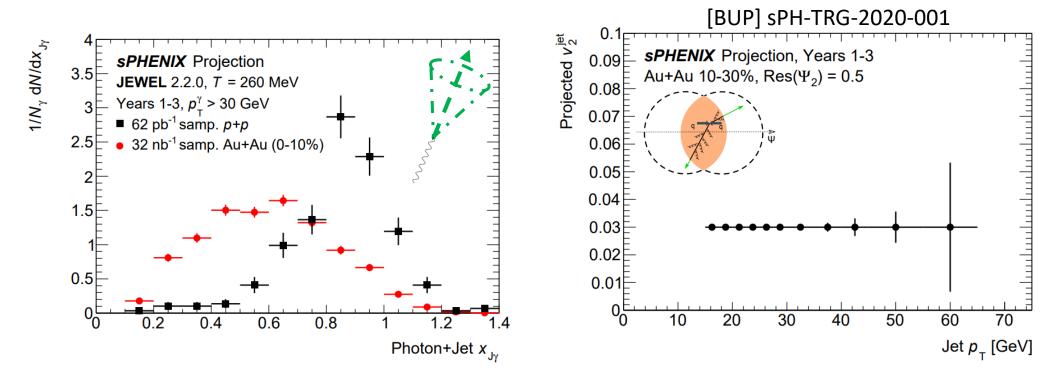
Signal	Au+Au 0–10% Counts	p+p Counts
Jets $p_{\rm T} > 20~{ m GeV}$	22 000 000	11 000 000
Jets $p_{\mathrm{T}} > 40~\mathrm{GeV}$	65 000	31 000
Direct Photons $p_{\rm T} > 20~{ m GeV}$	47 000	5 800
Direct Photons $p_{\rm T} > 30~{\rm GeV}$	2 400	290
Charged Hadrons $p_{\rm T} > 25 {\rm GeV}$	4300	4 100



Large statistic data samples will enable multi dimensional jet studies with new high p_T reach!

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Jet Correlations:



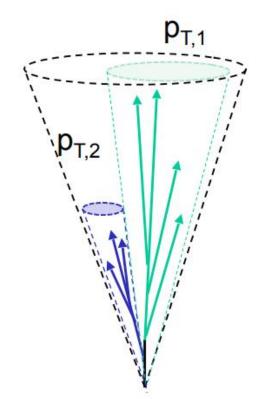
Large statistical sample enables high precision measurement of photon-jet balance

Ability to study event plane dependence to jet quenching

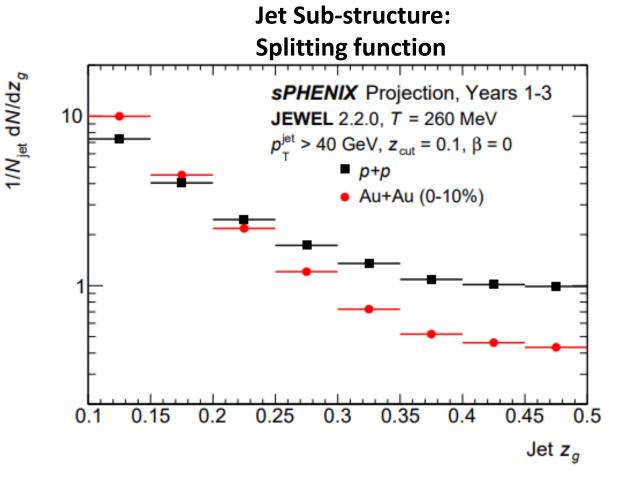
> Enable simultaneous comparison of models across LHC and RHIC energies

Jet Sub-structure:

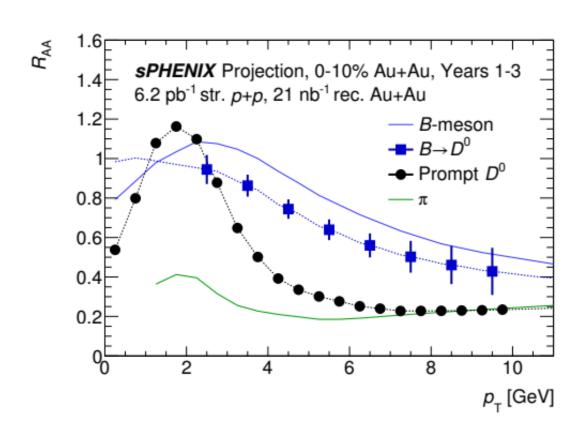
sPHENIX fine segmentation in the calorimeter and tracking resolution will enable studies of jet sub-structure



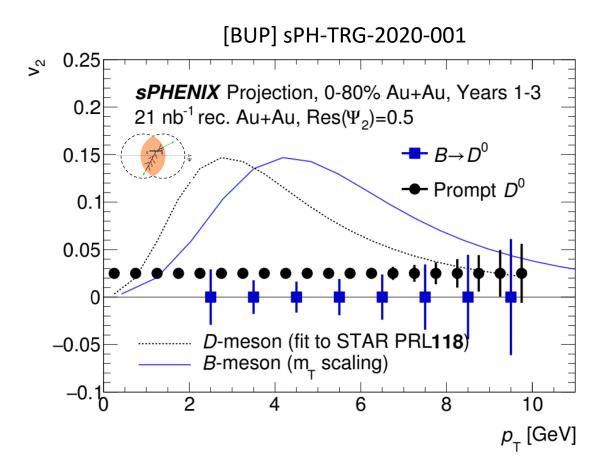
$$z_g = \frac{p_{T,2}}{p_{T,2} + p_{T,1}}$$



Open Heavy Flavor:

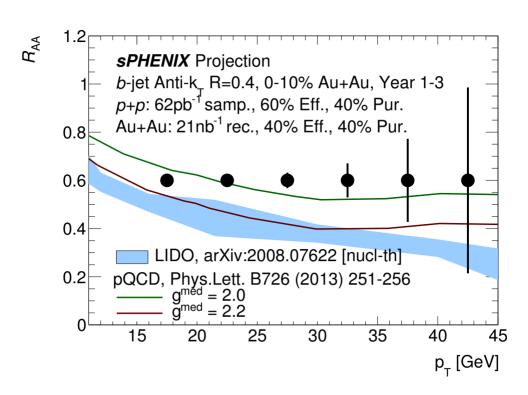


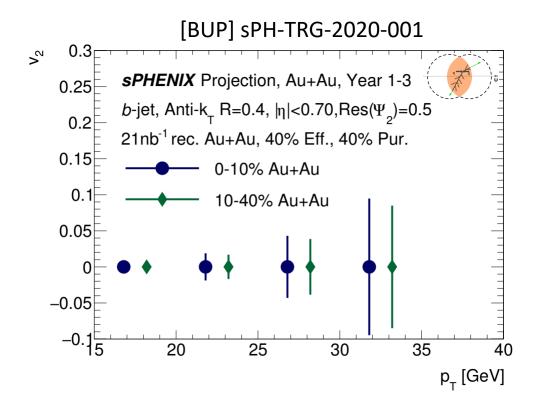
Precision tracking and vertexting will enable extensive heavy flavor measurements in sPHENIX



Heavy flavor quarks enables a powerful range with which to study the mass dependence to interactions within the QGP

Heavy Flavor Jets:

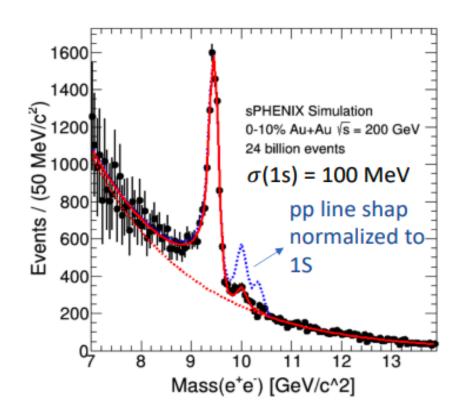


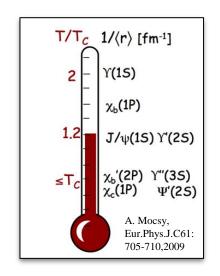


MVTX will enable heavy flavor jet tagging!

 \blacktriangleright Enables study at of heavy flavor at high p_T where the mass difference between heavy and light quarks is less significant

Upsilon Spectroscopy:

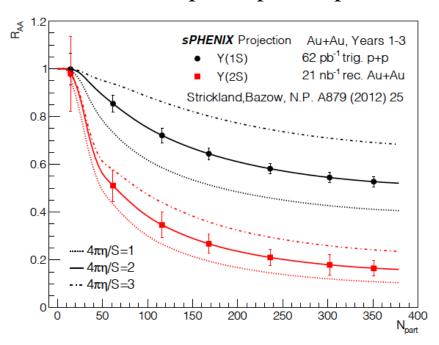




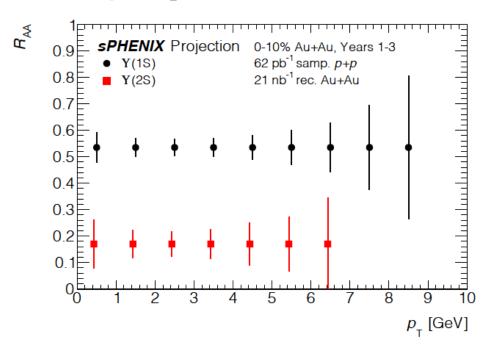
- The high-temperature medium induces melting of Upsilon states
 - ➤ Higher-mass states melt more readily at a fixed medium temperature
- Precise mass resolution of sPHENIX tracking will enable separation of Υ states in both Au+Au and pp:
 - > First for RHIC

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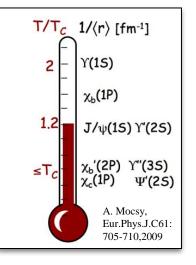
R_{AA} number of participant dependence



p_T dependence of Y modification



 \triangleright sPHENIX will enable precise modification factor measurements of Υ suppression across centrality and Υp_T for 1S and 2S states



sPHENIX Detector:

Tracking system:

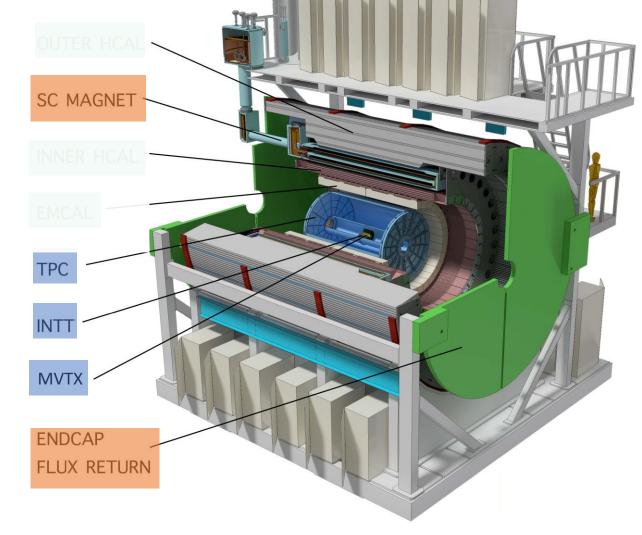
MAPS-based Vertex Tracker (MVTX) Intermediate Silicon Tracker (INTT) Time Projection Chamber (TPC)

Superconducting Magnet (1.4 T solenoid)

Calorimetry:

Electromagnetic Calorimeter (EMCal) inner Hadronic Calorimeter outer Hadronic Calorimeter

High Rate DAQ and trigger system:



sPHENIX Tracking:

MAPS-based Vertex Tracker (MVTX)

- 3 layers of Monolithic Active Pixel Sensors (ALICE)
- Short integration time (few μs)
- Great spatial resolution < 6 [μm]
- Ultra-thin $\sim 0.3\% X_0$

precise vertexing

Intermediate Silicon Tracker (INTT)

• 2 layers of strip silicon sensors

pattern recognition & timing

momentum measurement

TPC 2.1 m

Time Projection Chamber (TPC)

- Compact: 20 < r [cm] < 78
- Spatial resolution < 200 μm
- Charge collection via GEMs

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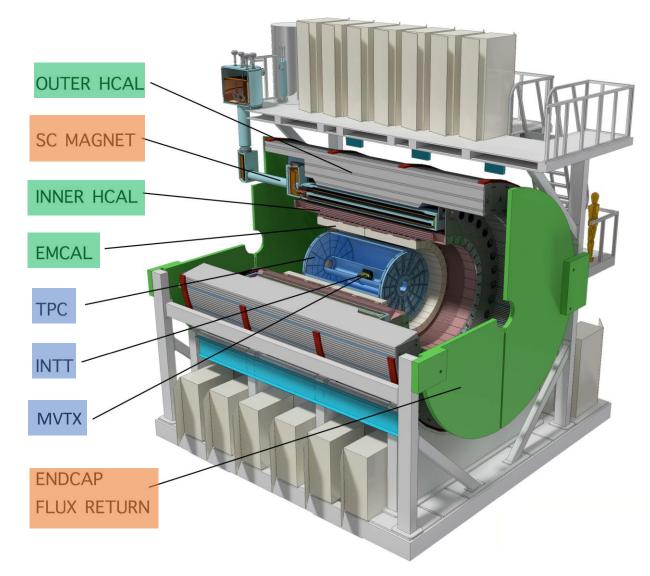
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Calorimetry:

Electromagnetic Calorimeter (EMCal) inner Hadronic Calorimeter outer Hadronic Calorimeter

High Rate DAQ and trigger system:

15 kHz Trigger, >10 GB/s DAQ



sPHENIX Calorimetry:

Full Electromagnetic and Hadronic calorimeter system!

- Large Acceptance: $|1.1| < \eta$ and full 2π azimuthal coverage
- SiPM used for light collection/readout

outer Hadronic Calorimeter (Outer HCal)

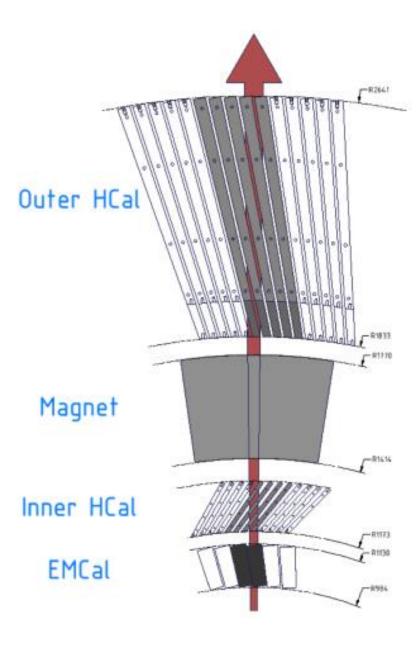
- Steel absorber plates and scintillating tiles with embedded WLS fibers
- $\Delta \eta \times \Delta \phi \approx 0.1 \times 0.1$

inner Hadronic Calorimeter (iHCal)

Aluminum absorber plates and scintillating tiles with embedded WLS fibers

Electromagnetic Calorimeter (EMCal)

- Tungsten powder with embedded scintillating fiber matrix
- $\Delta \eta \times \Delta \phi \approx 0.025 \times 0.025$
- Compact design with large radiation length of material: ~14cm ≈ $20X_{0}$ Tim Rinn – Brookhaven National Laboratory



Time Projection Chamber Construction

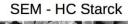


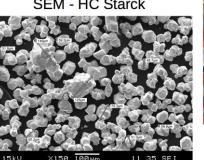
Electro-Magnetic Calorimeter Construction



Sector Assembly and testing at BNL









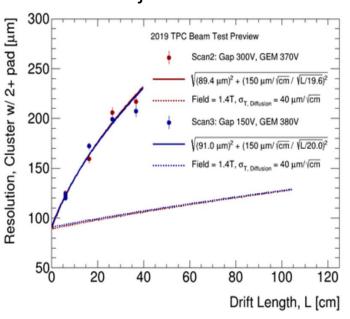
Hadronic Calorimeter Construction



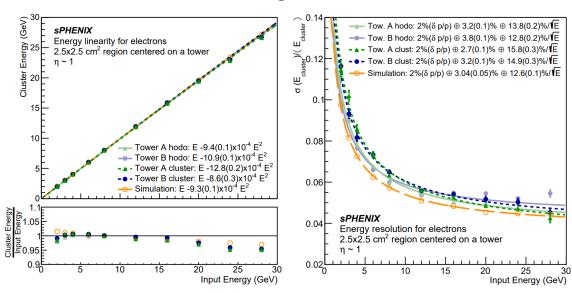
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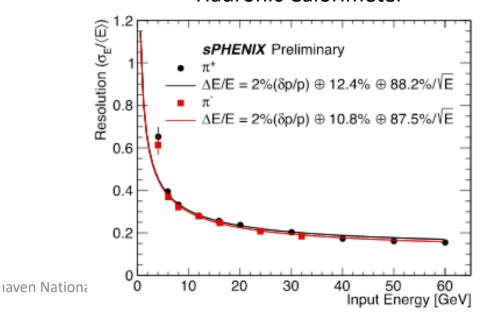
Time Projection Chamber:



Electro Magnetic Calorimeter



Hadronic Calorimeter



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Some challenges of studying the QGP

- Lifetime of the QGP \sim 10 fm/c
 - Too short to use external probes
- Large number of particles produced in heavy ion collisions
 - Significant backgrounds to account for



 $\sim 10^4$ particles created in most central collisions

The Standard Model

In the standard model, matter is typically made up of quarks and leptons (such as electrons):

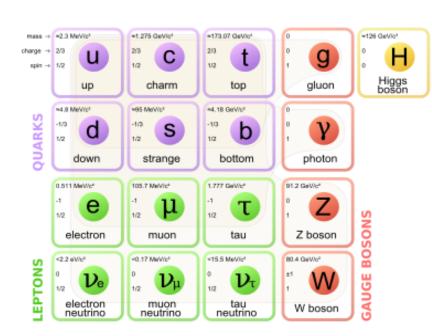
> For example a Proton is made up of two up and one down quark.

There are 6 flavors of quarks: Up, Down, Charm, Strange, Top, Bottom

There are 6 types leptons: Electron, Muon, Tau and their corresponding neutrinos.

These subatomic particles interact with one another through 3 different types of forces.

- Strong force: Described by Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD), and uses gluon as the force carrier.
- **Electromagnetic force:** Described by Quantum Electrodynamics (QED), and uses Photons as the force carrier.
- **Weak force:** Described by the Electro-Weak theory, Uses W and Z bosons as the force carriers.

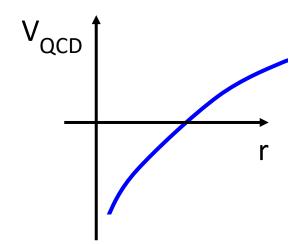


Quantum Chromodynamics

Goal of experimental Nuclear physics is to understand properties of the Strong force

Quarks interact with one another based on color charge using gluons as the force carrier.

The potential from the strong force scales linearly with distance, which results in an affect called "confinement".



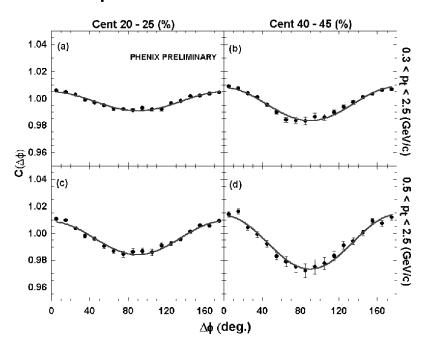
Due to confinement it is impossible to study isolated quarks, so instead they must be studied as part of a system

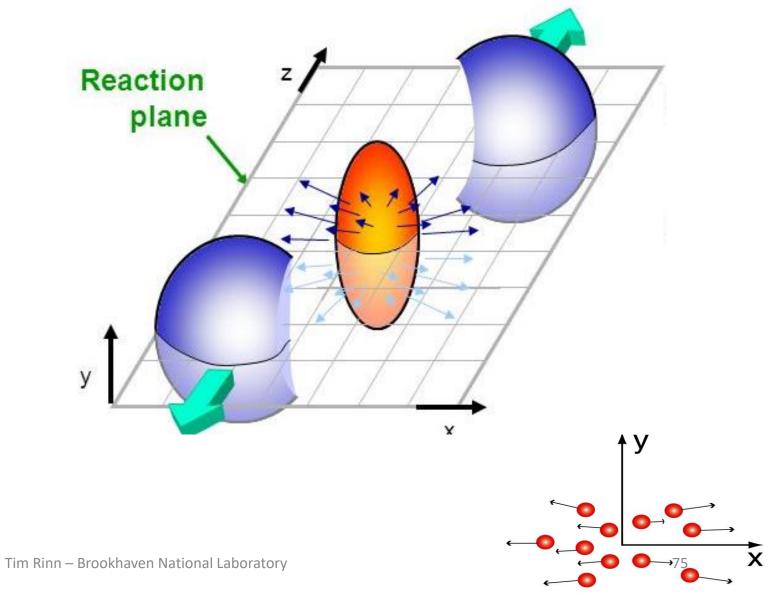
$$V_{\scriptscriptstyle S}(r) = -rac{lpha_{\scriptscriptstyle S}}{r} + kr$$
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Key Evidence for QGP as nearly perfect fluid

• Flow

 Pressure gradients in the medium cause angular dependence to particle production







Heavy Flavor mass puzzle

Dead cone effect expected to reduce radiative energy loss for heavier mass quarks

Prompt D^0 similarly suppressed to light hadrons

Evidence of mass hierarchy to energy loss observed between B and D hadrons below 20 GeV

