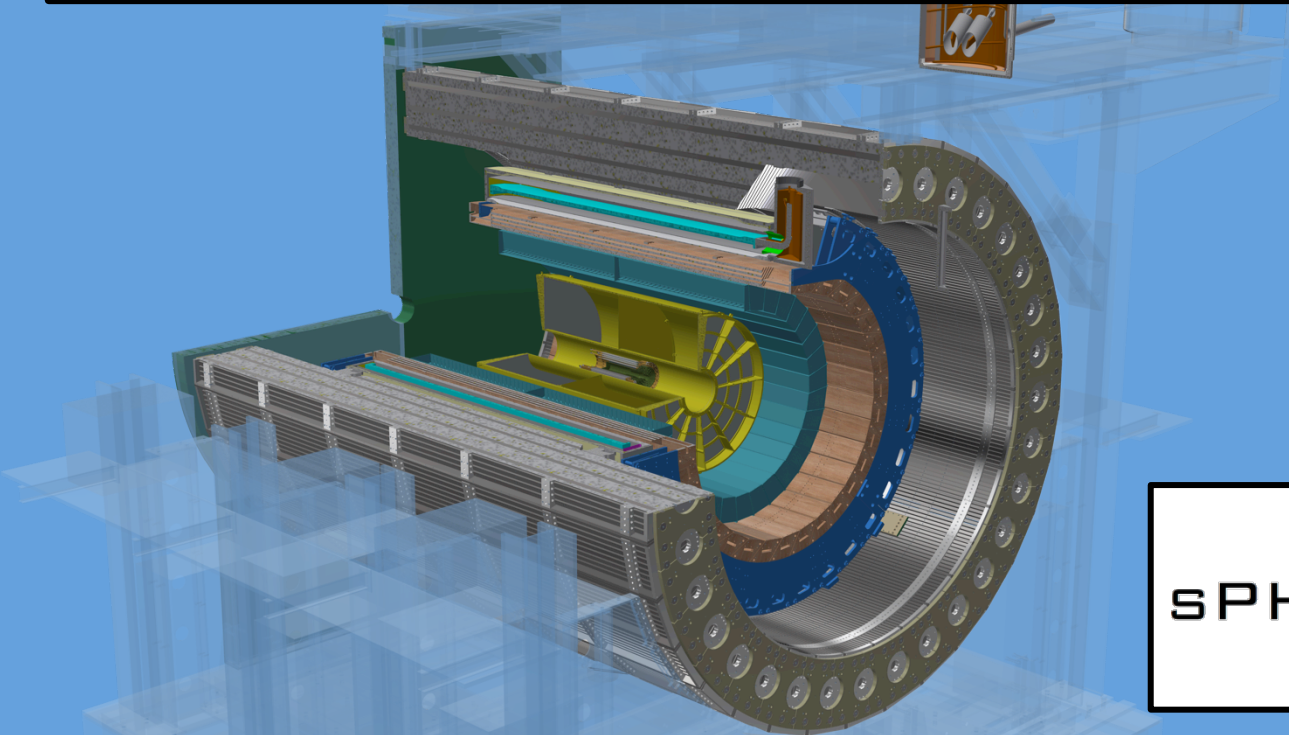




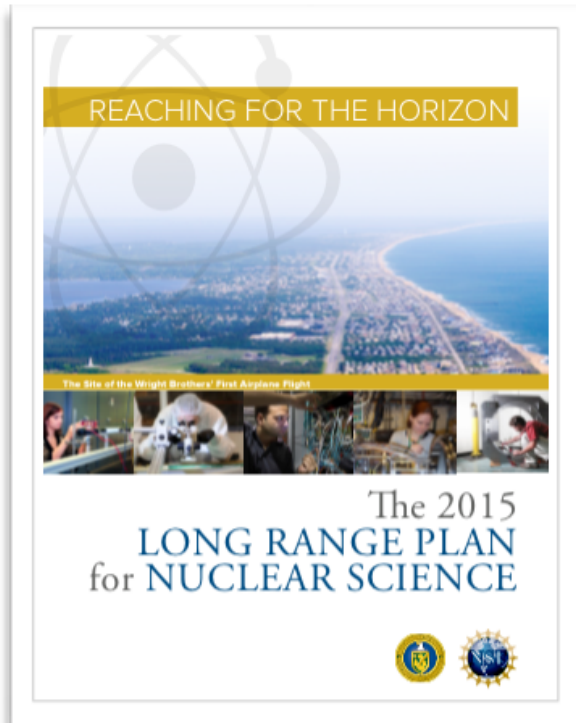
# Probing initial stages with scale dependent observables of the QGP in sPHENIX

5th International Conference on the Initial Stages in High-Energy Nuclear Collisions

Rosi Reed



# RHIC/LHC Complementarity



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.**

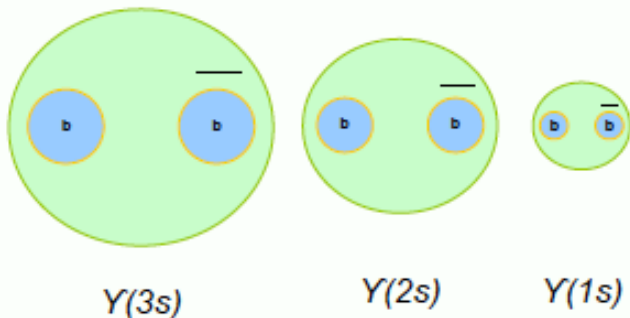
Success of LHC experiments in HI physics demonstrates importance of large acceptance, high resolution tracking, high collision rates and full EM+Hadronic calorimetry

# Core sPHENIX science program

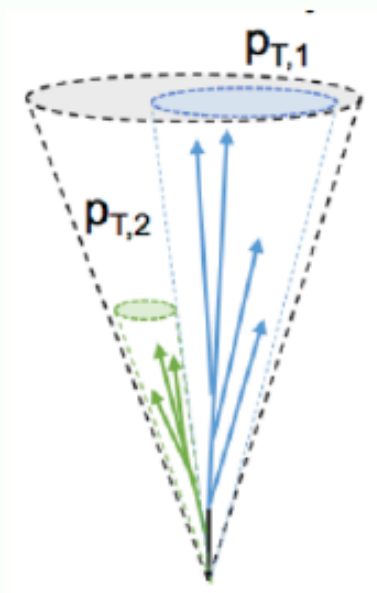


Key approach  $\rightarrow$  Study QGP structure at multiple scales!

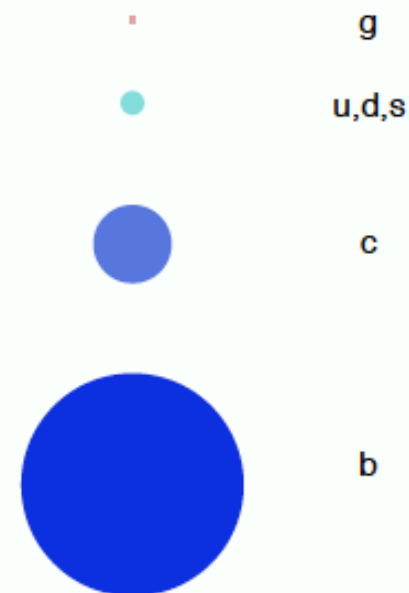
Quarkonium spectroscopy  
vary size of probe



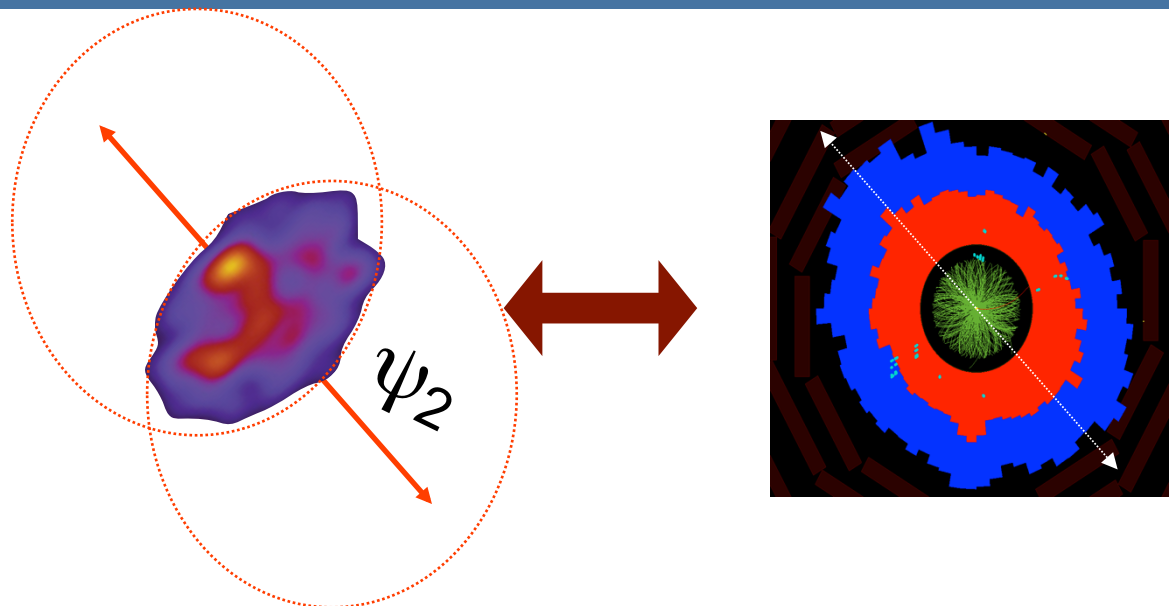
Jet structure  
vary momentum/angular scale of probe



Parton energy loss  
vary mass/momentum of probe

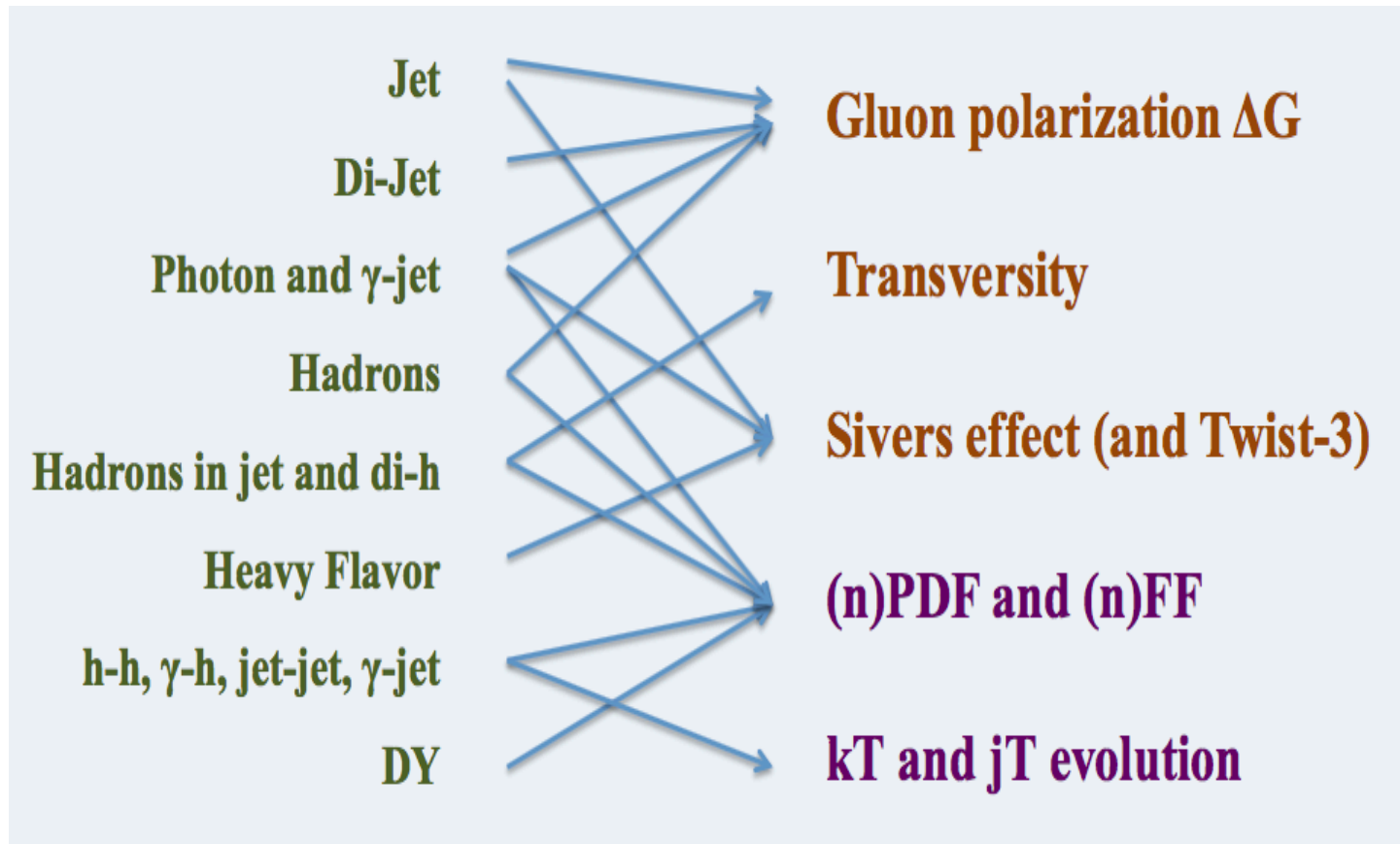


# Hot QCD



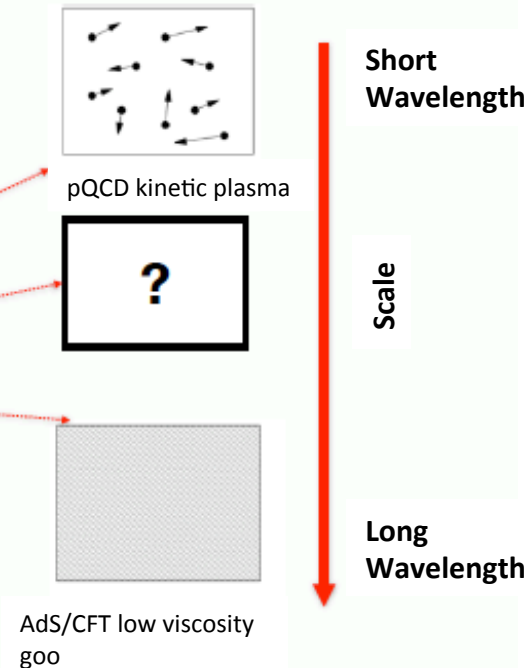
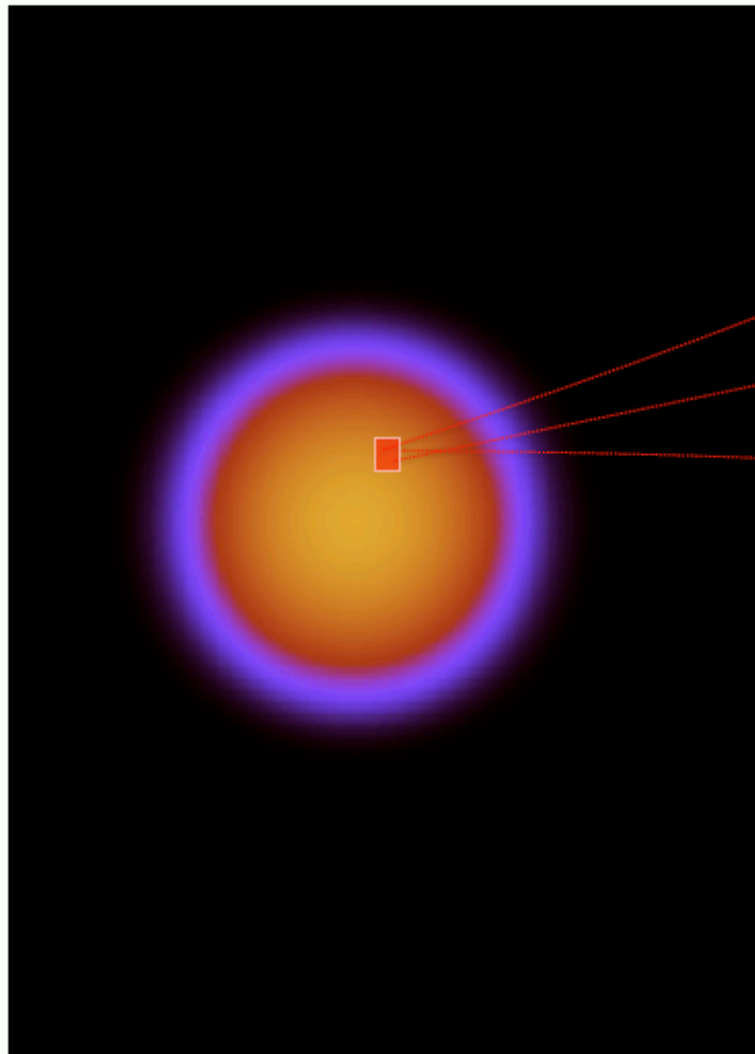
- RHIC: QGP has near perfect fluidity and extreme opacity
- Precision studies @ RHIC/LHC  $\rightarrow$  aspects of final state structure understood as relativistic viscous hydrodynamics applied to QGP evolution
  - Understanding the initial state is of key importance
- Improved instrumentation key to understanding how QGP properties emerge

# Cold QCD



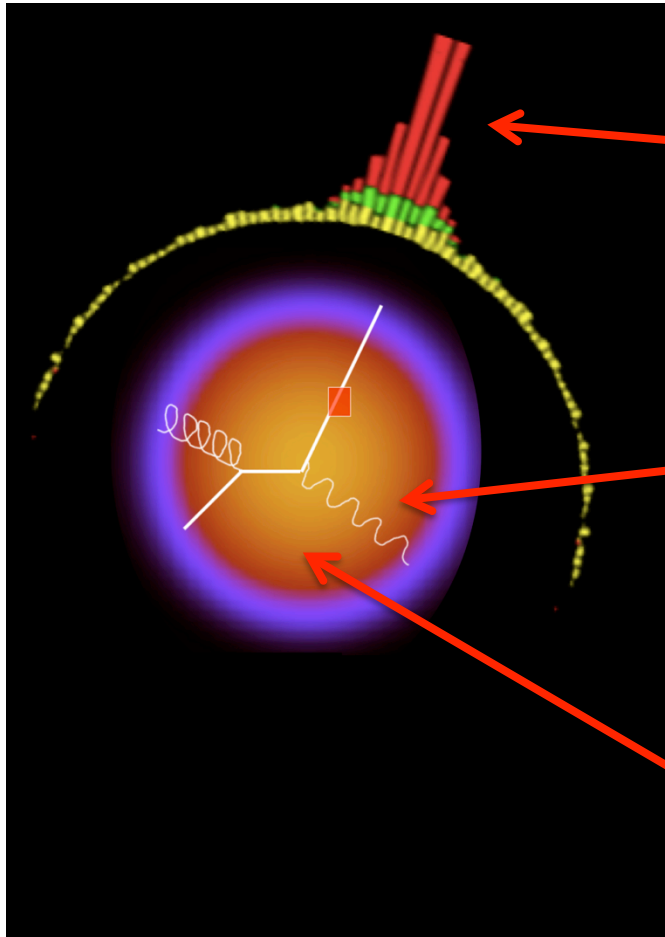
sPHENIX also has robust cold QCD program!

# Experimental Approach



How does long-wavelength physics emerge from the underlying gauge theory?

# Experimental Approach



Full characterization of final state

- HCAL, EMCal, Tracking

Same hard process

Initial Conditions

- RHIC vs LHC

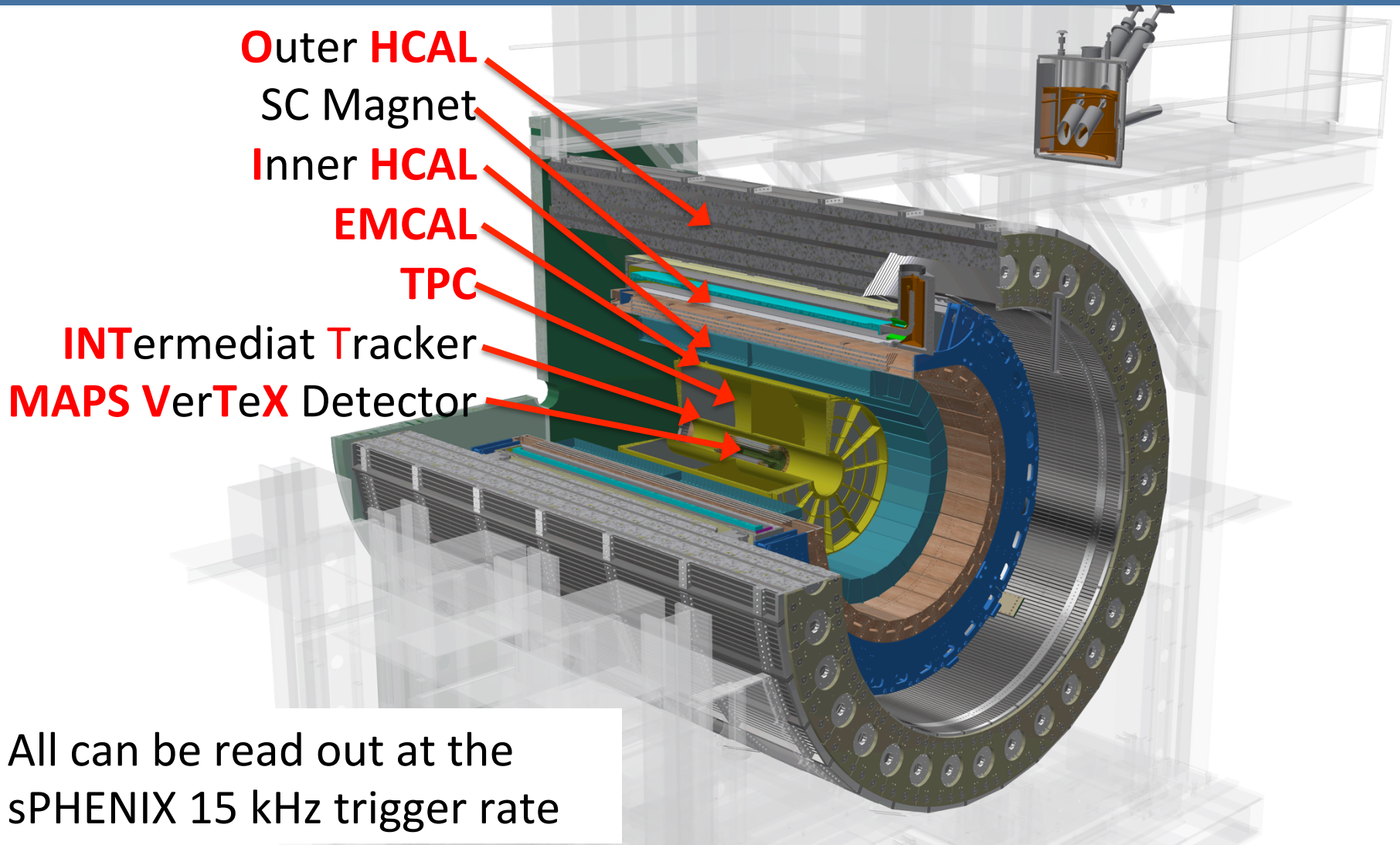
# sPHENIX Design



Lets get down to the nuts and bolts

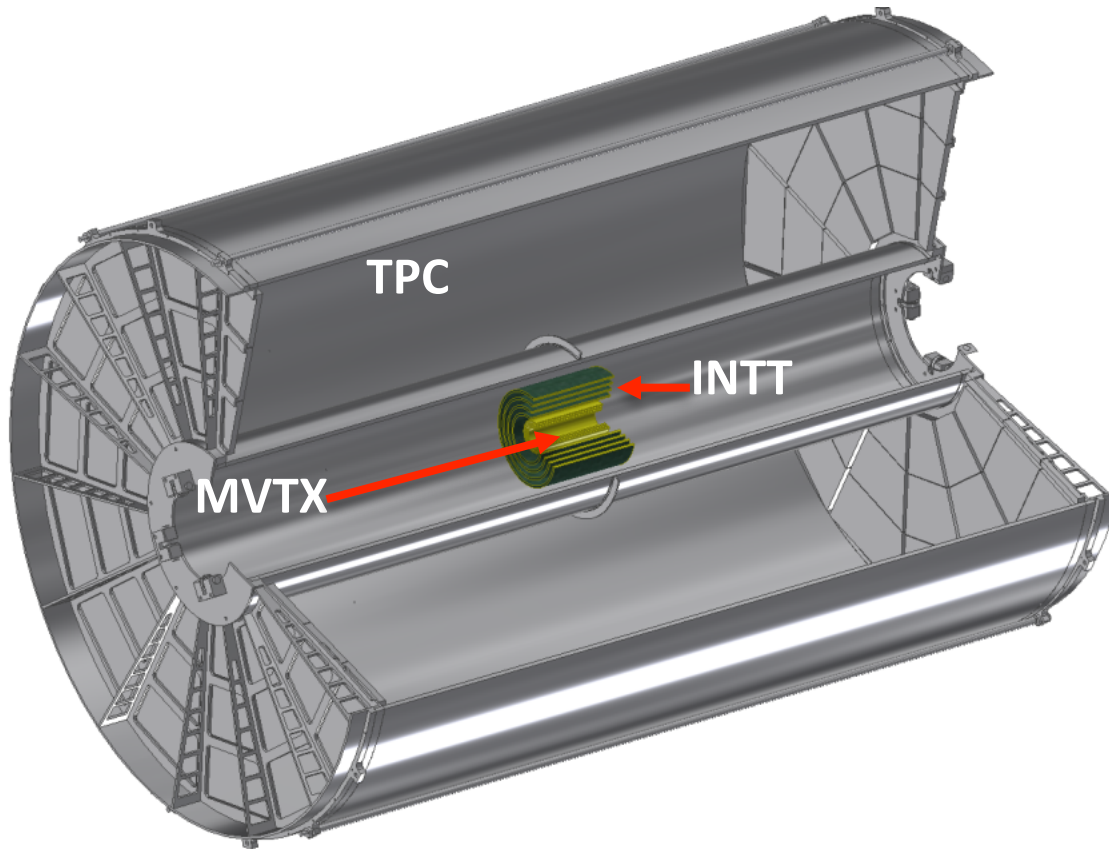


# sPHENIX Design



All can be read out at the sPHENIX 15 kHz trigger rate

# Tracking



1/30<sup>th</sup> volume  
ALICE TPC

**MVTX** (based on ALICE ITS):

- 3-layer MAPS vertex tracker
- Excellent 2-D DCA resolution,  $< 25 \mu\text{m}$   
 $p_T > 1 \text{ GeV}/c$

**INTT:**

- 2-layer Si strip

**TPC:**

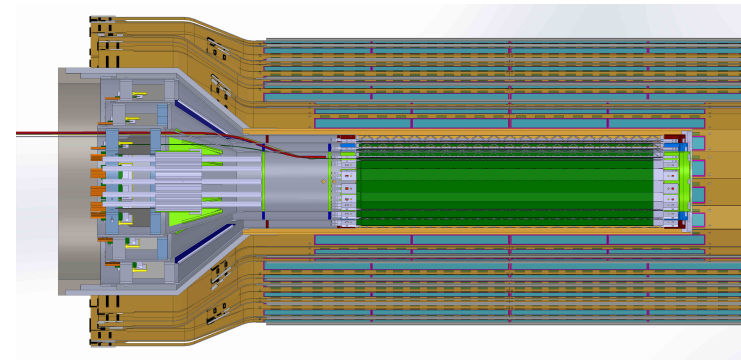
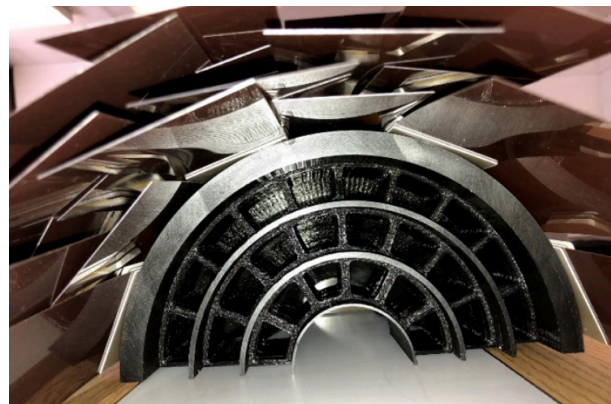
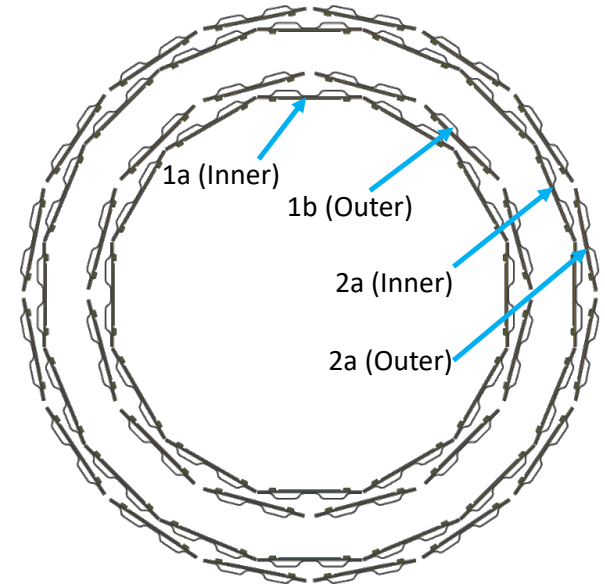
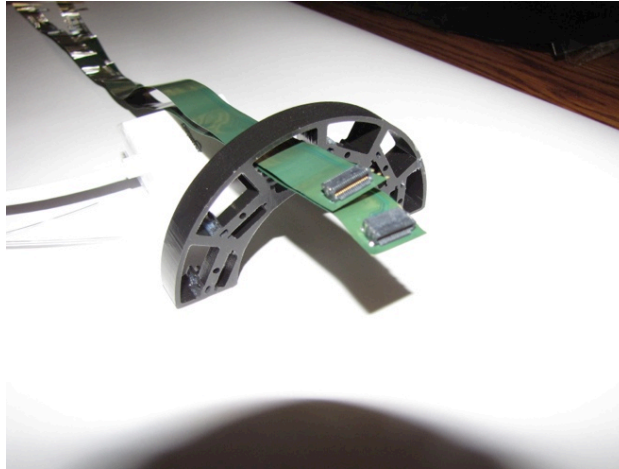
- 48 layer, continuous readout,  $R = 20\text{-}78 \text{ cm}$
- Good momentum resolution  $p_T = 0.2\text{-}40 \text{ GeV}/c$

# MTVX + INTT



Inner Tracking System adds:

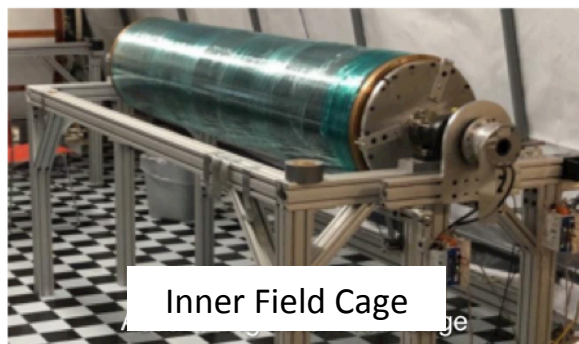
- Out-of-time track rejection
- Outward pointing resolution for TPC calibration
- Inward pointing resolution for displaced vertices



Initial analysis of small prototype test beam data shows resolution as good predicted resolution

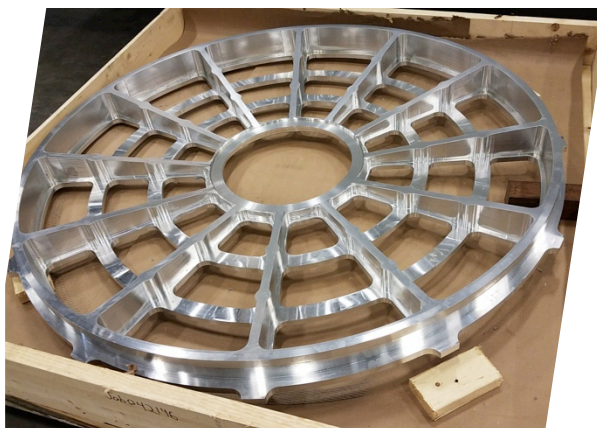


Outer Field Cage



Inner Field Cage

### Wagon wheel

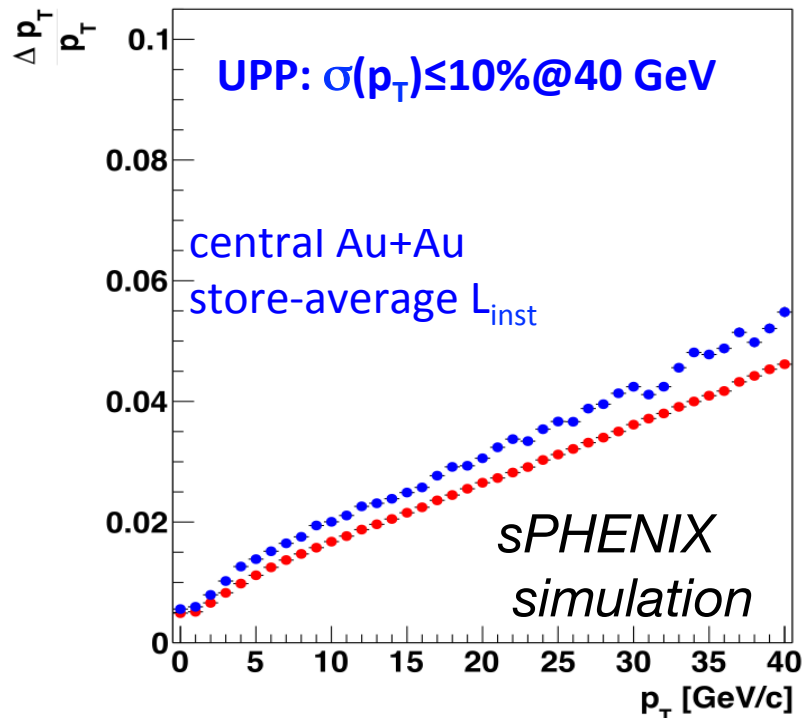


The TPC position resolution in the  $r-\phi$  (bend) direction measured to be  $114 \mu\text{m}$  averaged over the full drift length

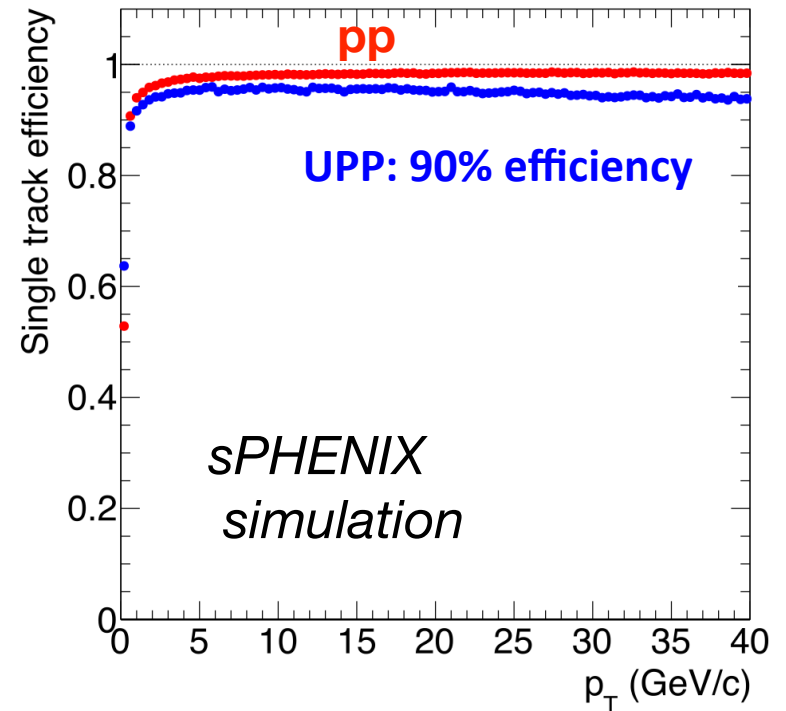
# Tracking Performance



## Track $p_T$ resolution (central Au+Au)



## Tracking efficiency (central Au+Au)



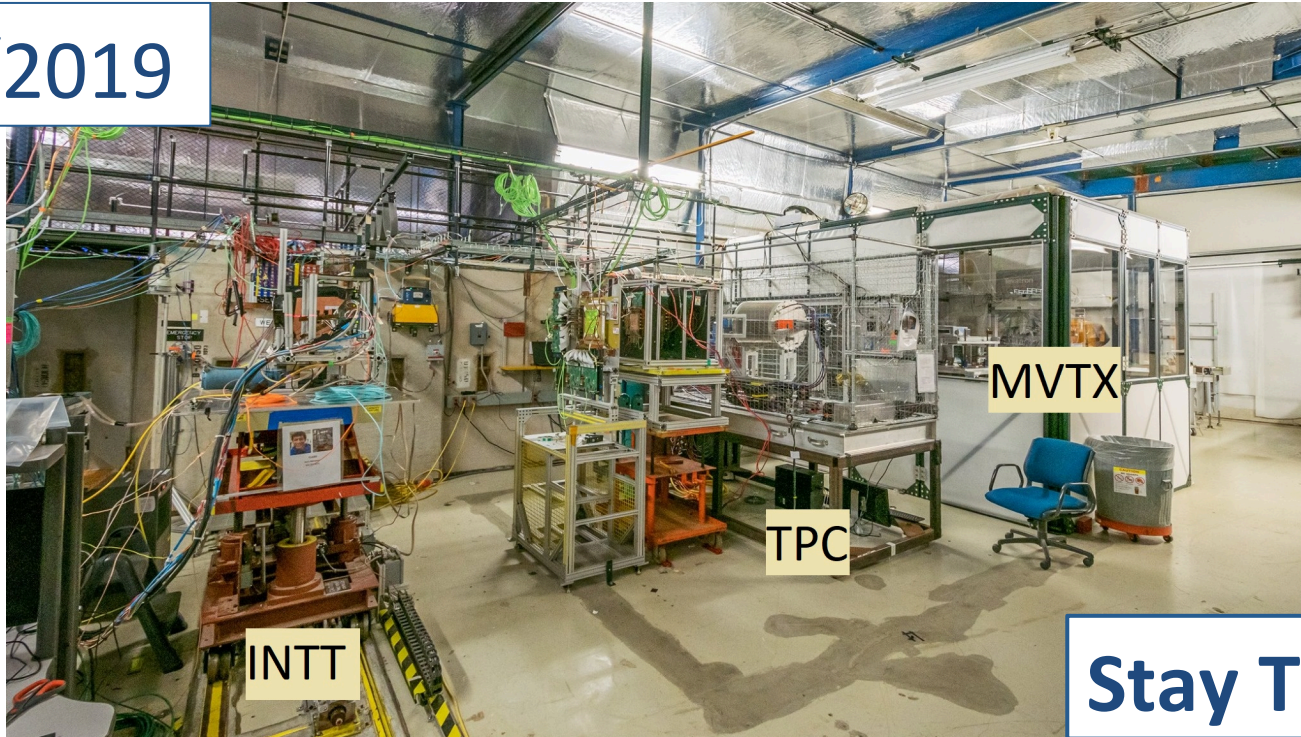
High momentum resolution

Tracking efficiency  $> 90\%$  in high pileup Au+Au environment

# Tracking Beam Test



2018/2019



**Stay Tuned!**

- Test of telescope w/full readout + cables completed
- Readout tested up to 300 kHz with p beam and p-on-Pb sprays (sPHENIX requirement 15kHz)
- Si Modules tested
- Track resolution measurements + full readout chain test just completed
- Beam tests of TPC prototype with sPHENIX R2 quad-GEM module
- Successful data taking with near final TPC electronics

# Calorimetry



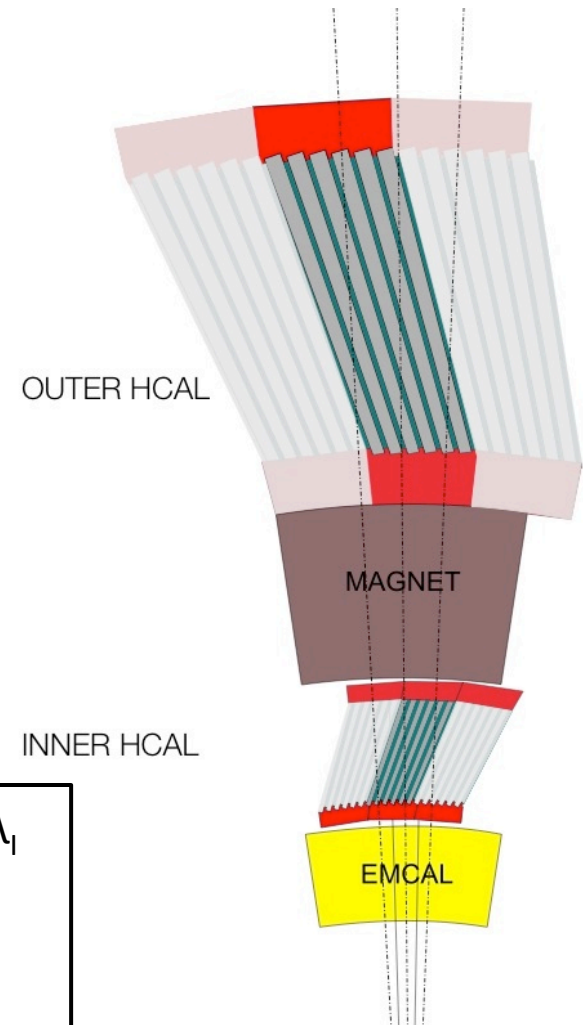
EMCal: Scintillating fibers  
embedded in W powder

- $\Delta\eta \times \Delta\phi = 0.024 \times 0.024$
- $\sigma_E/E < : < 16\%/ \sqrt{E} \oplus 5\%$

HCal: Plastic scintillating  
tiles + tilted Steel/Al plates

- $\Delta\eta \times \Delta\phi = 0.1 \times 0.1$
- $\sigma_E/E = 100\% / \sqrt{E}$

- Outer HCal  $\approx 3.5\lambda_1$
- Magnet  $\approx 1.4X_0$
- Inner HCal  $\approx 1\lambda_1$
- EMCAL  $\approx 18X_0 \approx 1\lambda_1$

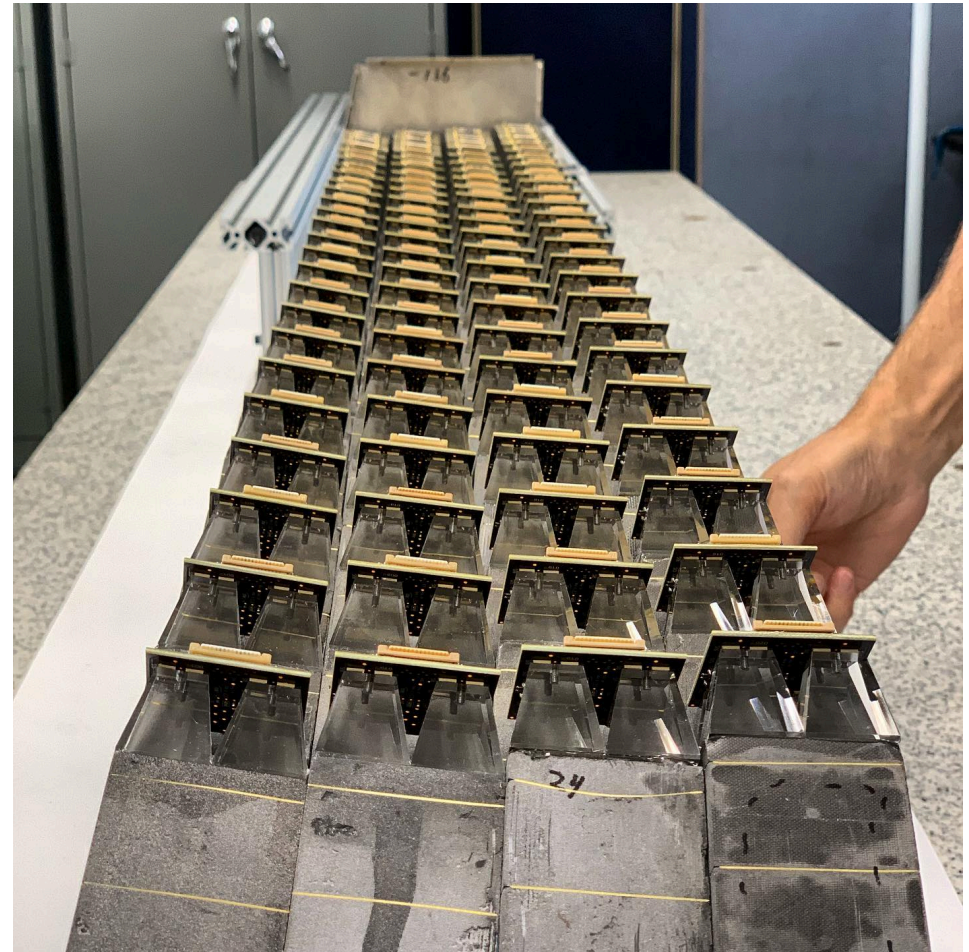
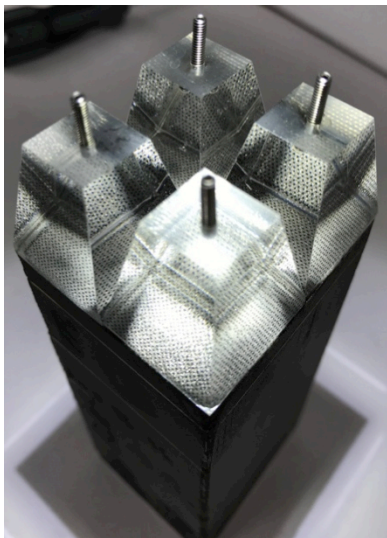


# EMCal



Technology pioneered by UCLA group

- 2D projective, read out by SiPMs
- Same electronics as HCal
- Production techniques advanced by UIUC group





# HCAL



Slots for scintillating tiles, read-out by SiPMs



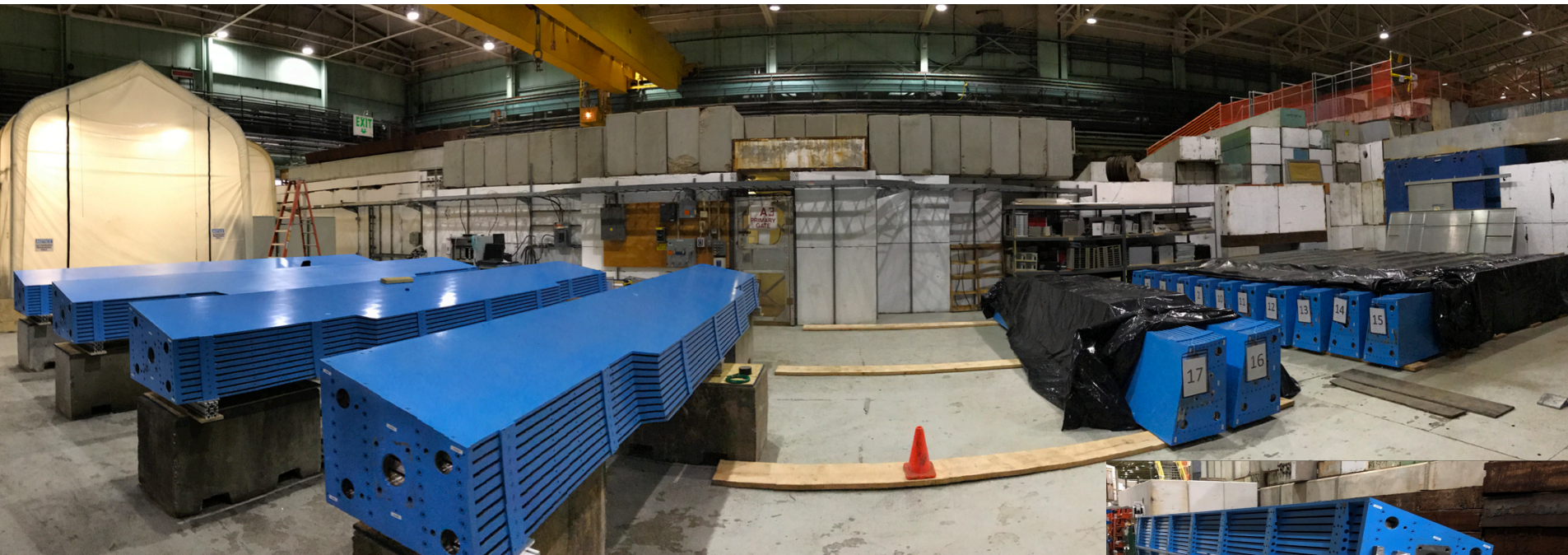
6.4 meters long  
 $|\eta| < 1.1$   
32 modules form flux  
return



Cosmic ray testing tiles

- 7 mm polystyrene with embedded 1 mm WLS fiber ala T2K
- Five tiles each with an SiPM ganged together in  $\Phi$  to create a tower readout

## 30 of 32 HCal/Barrel Magnet Steel Sectors now at BNL



13.5 tons each!

Testing  
support  
assembly

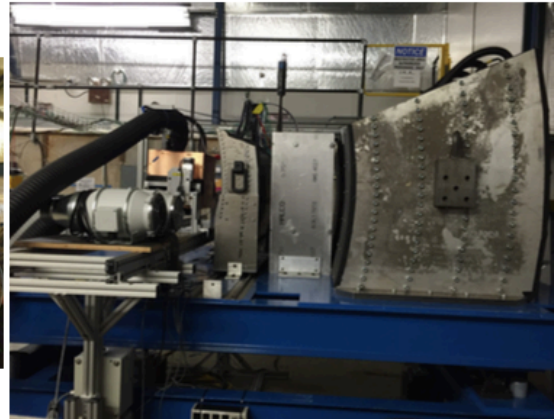


# Calorimeter Beam Test

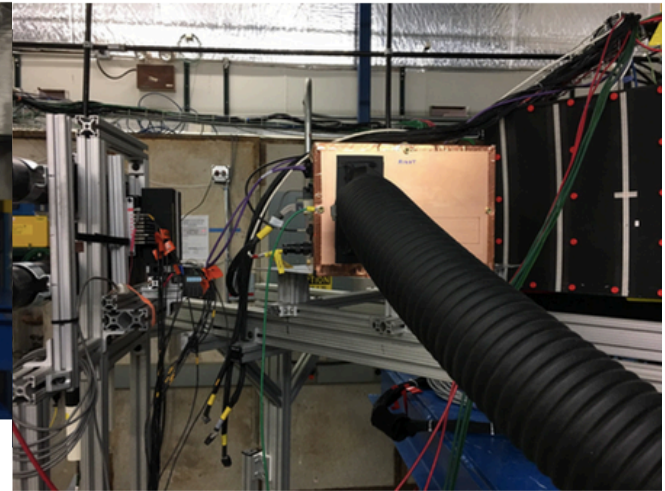


*Proof of principle,  
Feb 2014*

EEE Transactions on Nuclear Science, Volume 65, Issue 12, pp. 2901-2919, December 2018

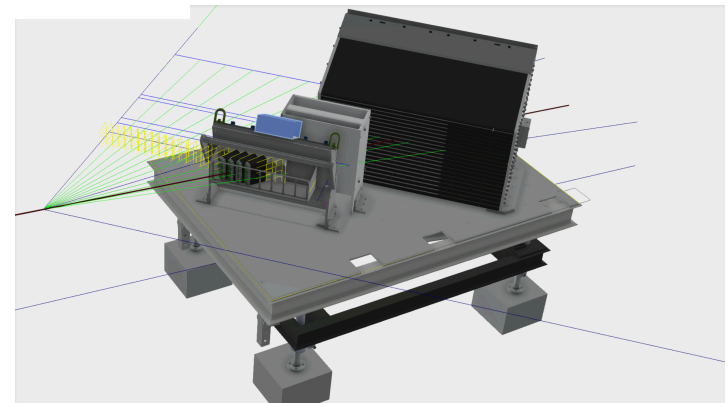


*$\eta \sim 0$  Geometry,  
Feb 2016*



*$\eta \sim 0.9$  Geometry,  
Feb 2017*

Combined test of improved large  $\eta$  calorimetry design, Feb-March 2018 @ FermiLab

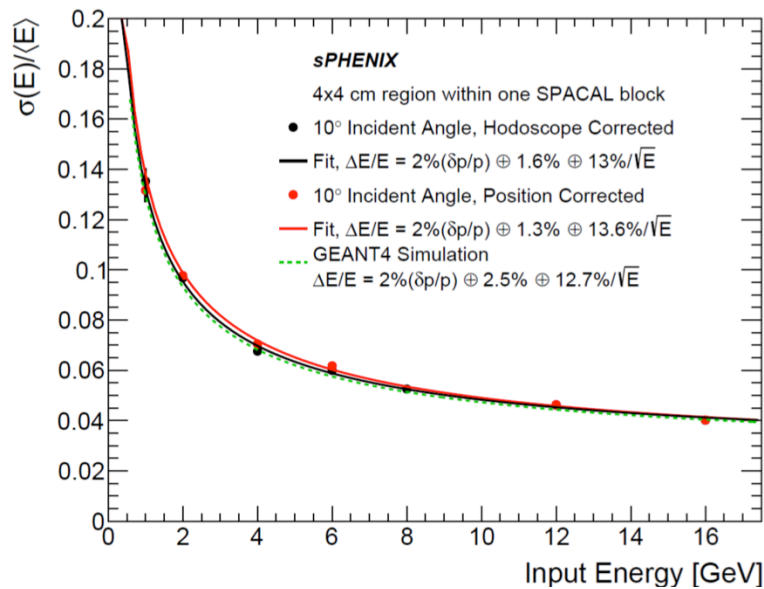


# Calorimeter Performance

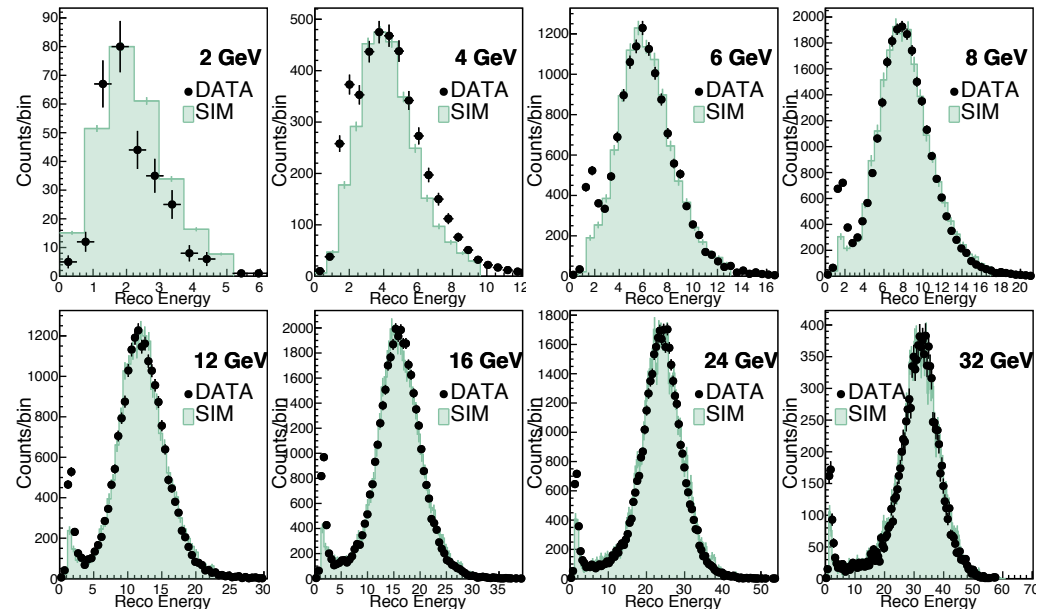


## EMCal energy resolution

for EM shower in tower center

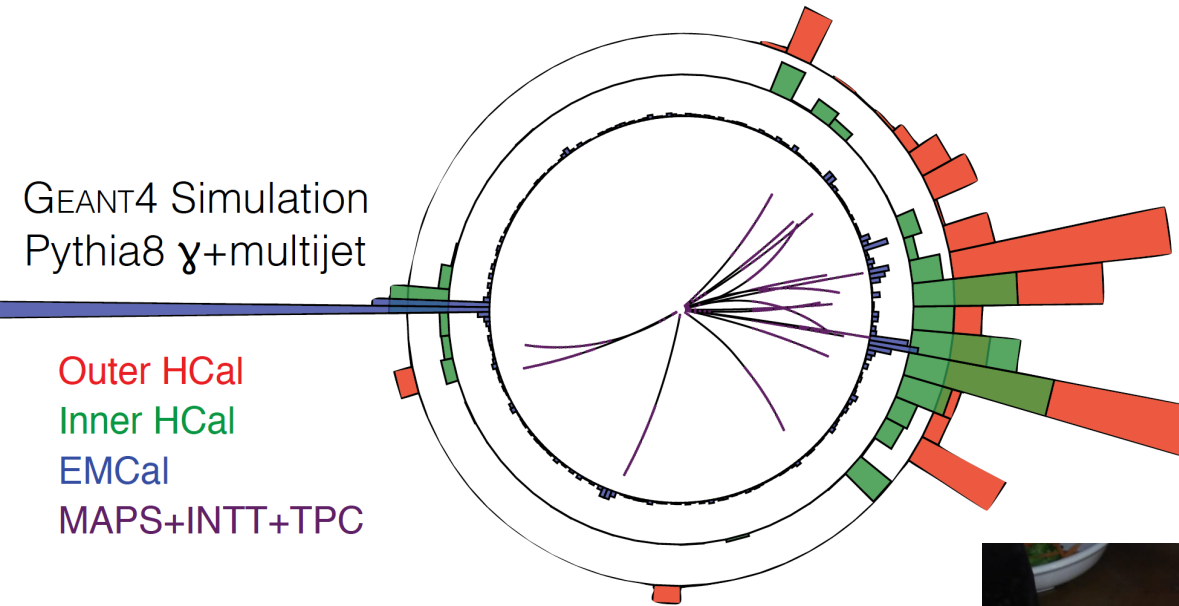


## HCal energy response to $\pi^-$



IEEE Trans. Nucl. Analysis of 2018 data underway Sci. 65 (2018) 2901

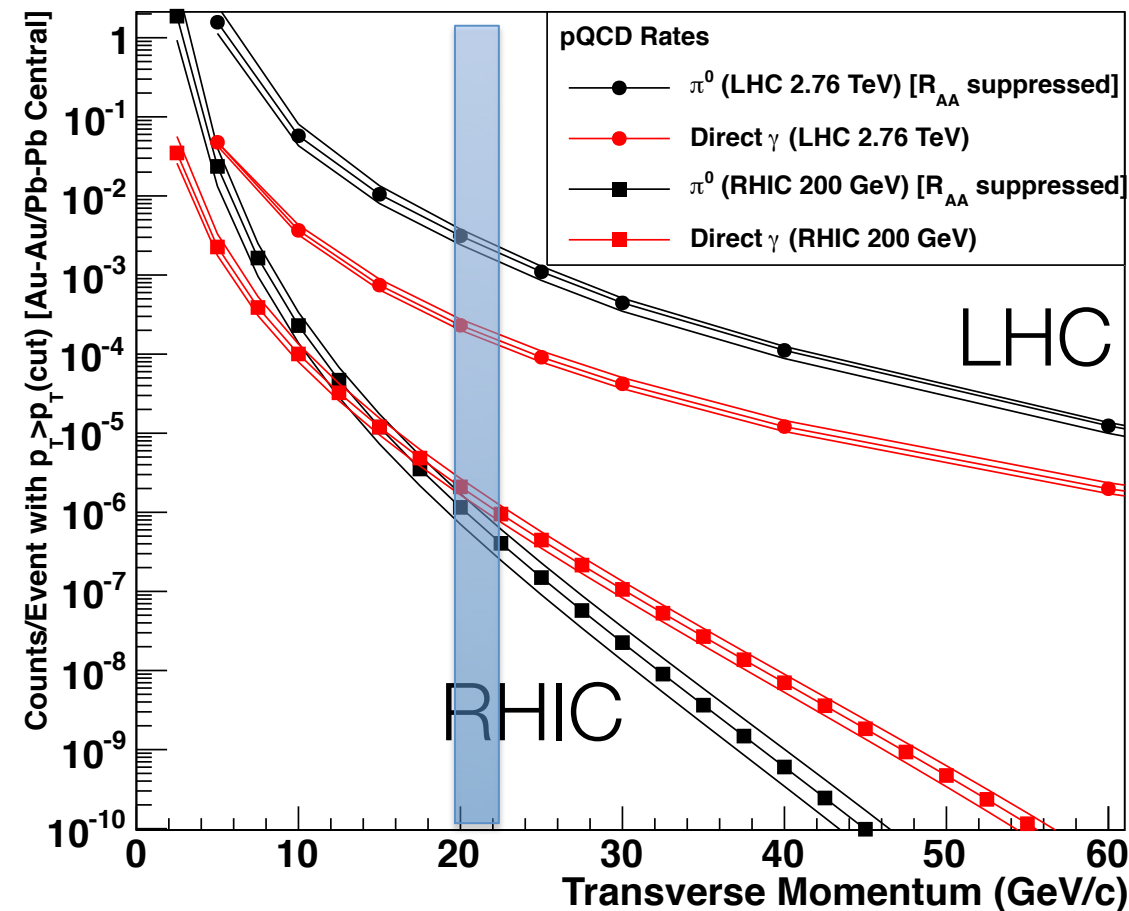
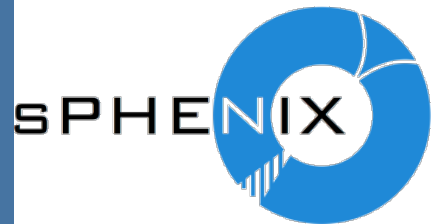
# A Taste of Physics



What will our detector performance give us in terms of physics observables?



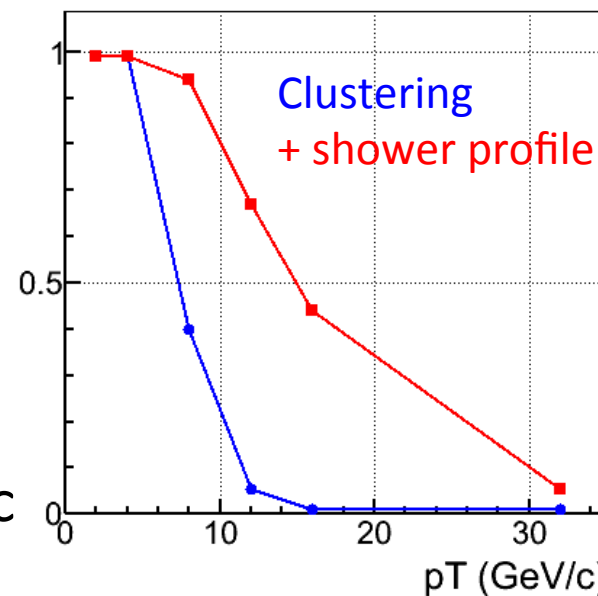
# $\gamma$ – Jet Correlations



For 20 GeV  $\gamma$

- S/B is 20x larger at RHIC than LHC
- UE 2.5x smaller

$\pi^0$  eff vs  $p_T$

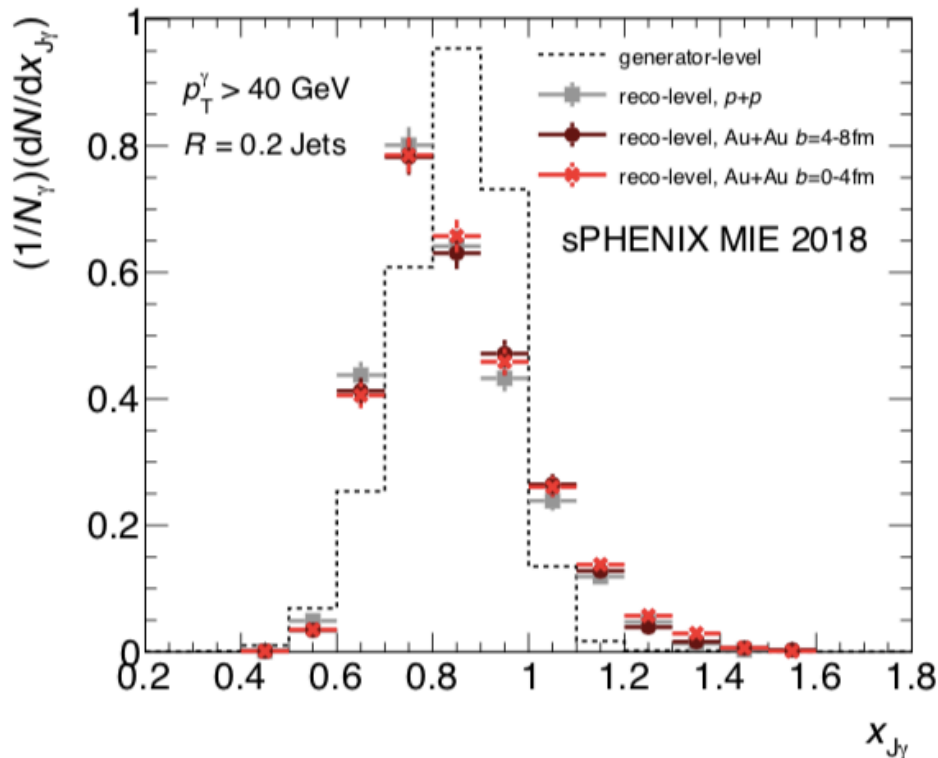


Allows for  $\gamma/\pi^0$  discrimination up to  $\sim 20$  GeV/c

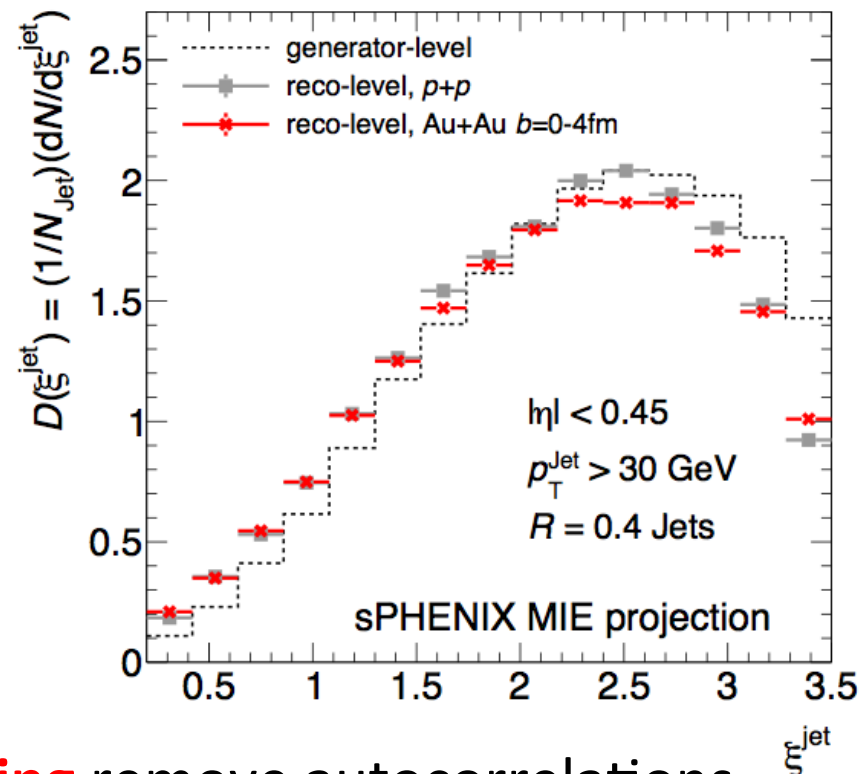
# Jets in sPHENIX



$\gamma$ +jet momentum balance



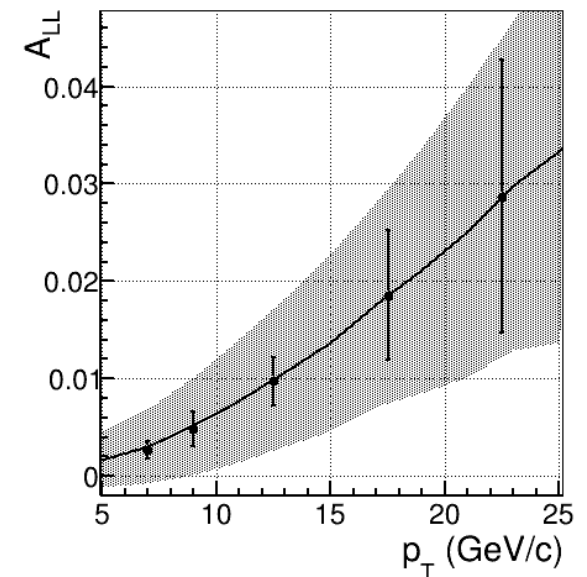
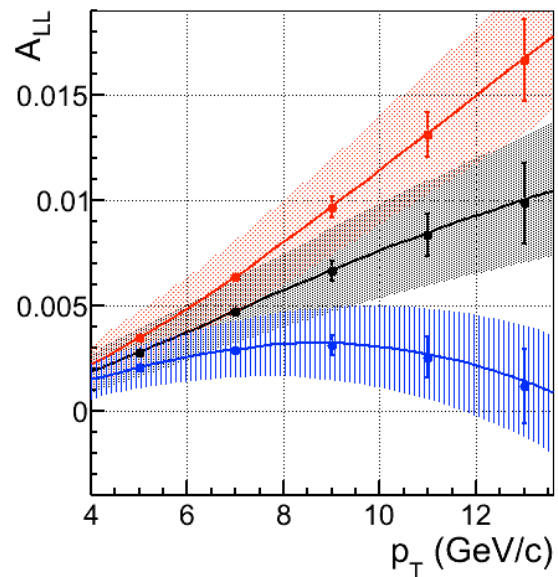
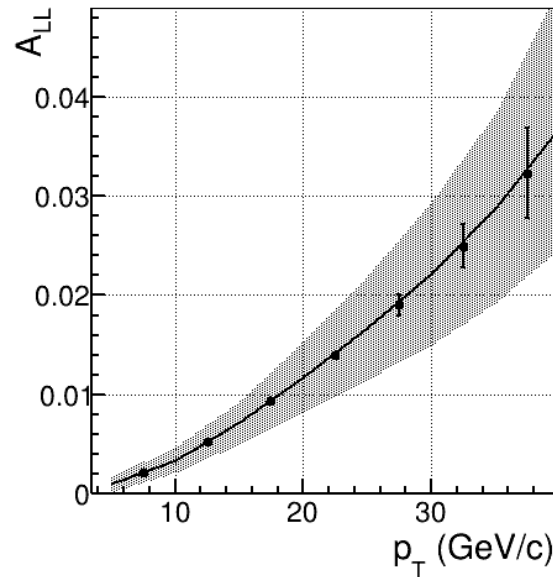
$\gamma$ +jet fragmentation function



**Calorimeter jets + precision tracking** remove autocorrelations between jet reconstruction and jet structure

- New era in RHIC jet physics!

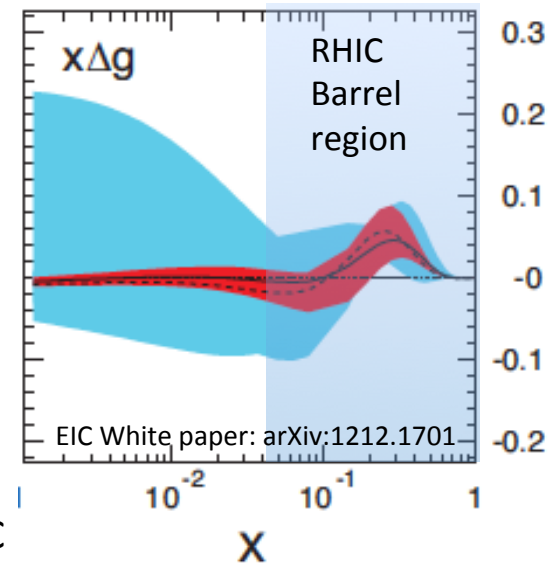
# $\Delta G$ Projection



Era of high precision  $\Delta G$  measurements:

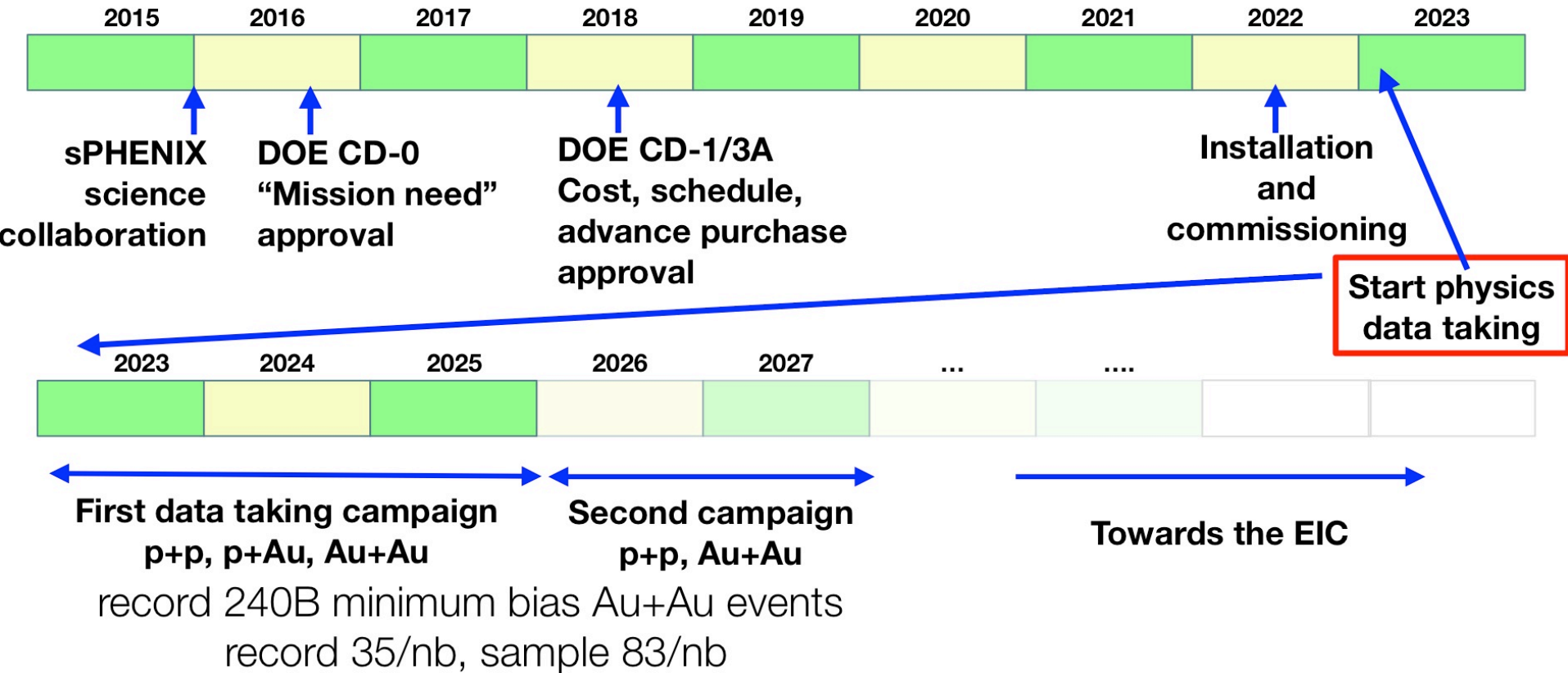
- Will crucially improve  $\Delta G$  constraint at  $x > 0.05$
- Complementary to the future EIC
- Crucial universality test in the overlapping  $x$ -range

With EIC data the dominant uncertainty to  $\Delta G$ -integral will be coming from the “RHIC region”





# Timeline



# Run Plan



Year	Species	Energy [GeV]	Phys. Wks	Rec. Lum.	Samp. Lum.	Samp. Lum. All-Z
Year-1	Au+Au	200	16.0	7 nb <sup>-1</sup>	8.7 nb <sup>-1</sup>	34 nb <sup>-1</sup>
Year-2	p+p	200	11.5	—	48 pb <sup>-1</sup>	267 pb <sup>-1</sup>
Year-2	p+Au	200	11.5	—	0.33 pb <sup>-1</sup>	1.46 pb <sup>-1</sup>
Year-3	Au+Au	200	23.5	14 nb <sup>-1</sup>	26 nb <sup>-1</sup>	88 nb <sup>-1</sup>
Year-4	p+p	200	23.5	—	149 pb <sup>-1</sup>	783 pb <sup>-1</sup>
Year-5	Au+Au	200	23.5	14 nb <sup>-1</sup>	48 nb <sup>-1</sup>	92 nb <sup>-1</sup>

## 1<sup>st</sup> Campaign

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Campaign

- Minimum bias Au+Au at 15kHz, vertex  $|z| < 10$  cm (in acceptance of Si tracking):
  - 47 billion (Year-1) +
  - 96 billion (Year-3) +
  - 96 billion (Year-5) = Total 239 billion events
- Topics with Level-1 selective trigger (e.g. high pT photons),  $|z| < 10$ cm, can **sample 0.5 trillion Au+Au events**

# Summary



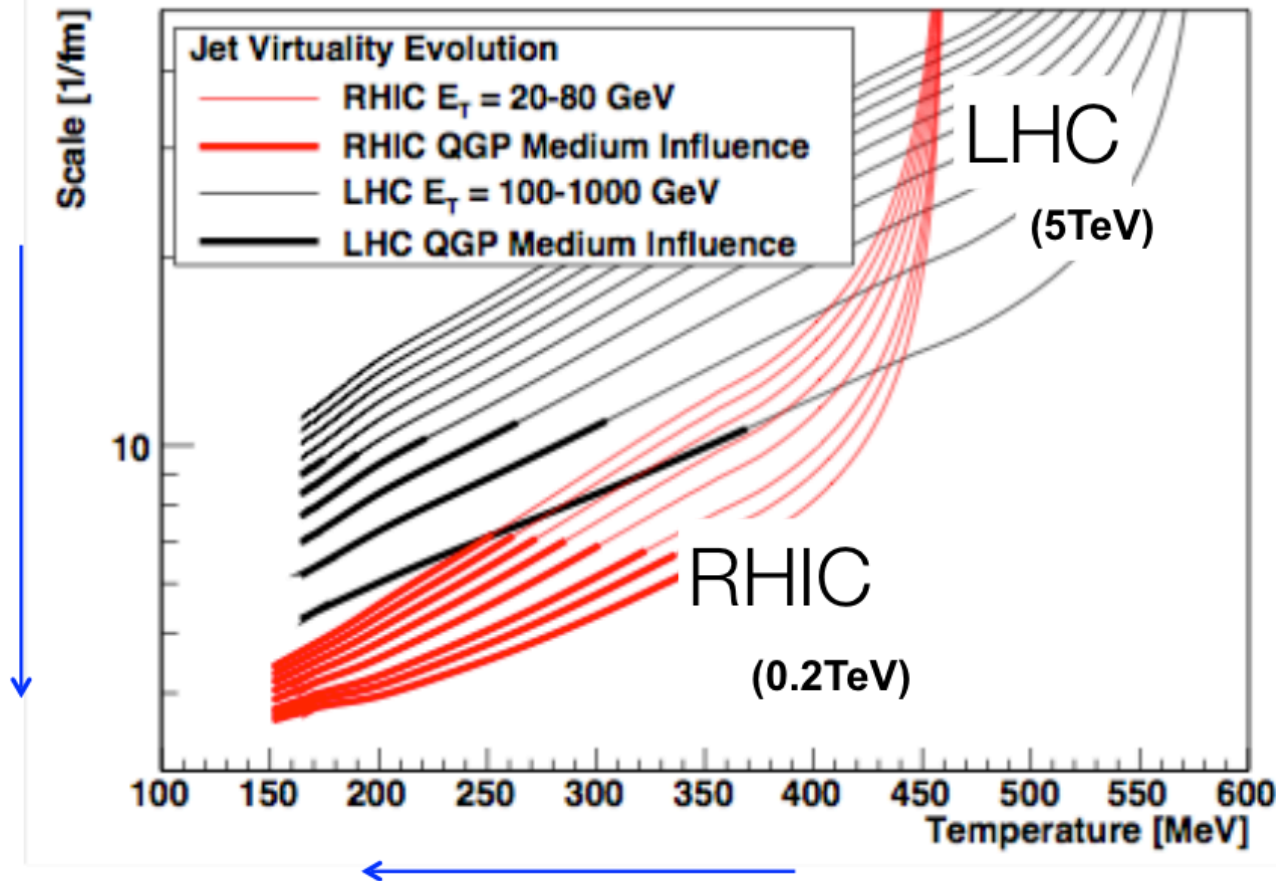
- Greatly extended capabilities at RHIC, motivated by HEP experience and LHC HI successes
  - mid-rapidity hadronic calorimetry
  - Excellent momentum resolution
  - High rate DAQ → exploit full RHIC luminosity
- Continued extremely productive exchanges with LHC detector and electronic efforts – ALICE MAPS, TPC, SAMPA; ATLAS FELIX
- sPHENIX collaboration continues to grow – adding relevant physics and technological expertise
  - On track for 2023 start of sPHENIX data taking
  - Now have CD-3A funds!

# Back Up

# Jet Evolution @ RHIC

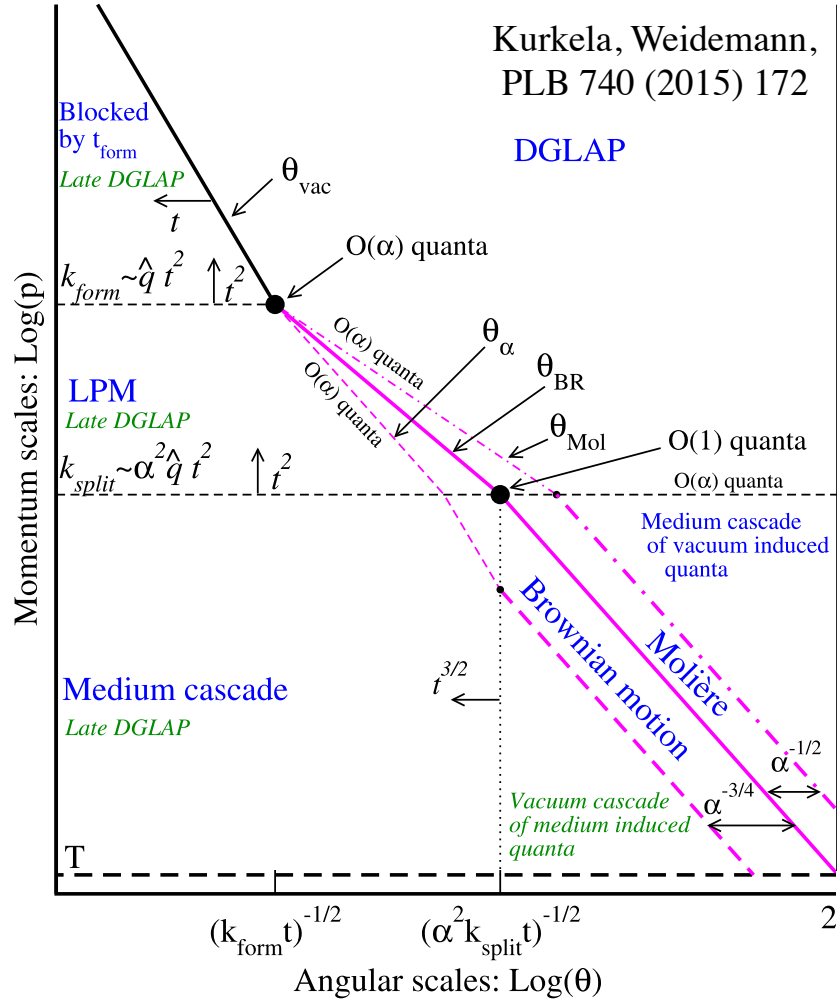


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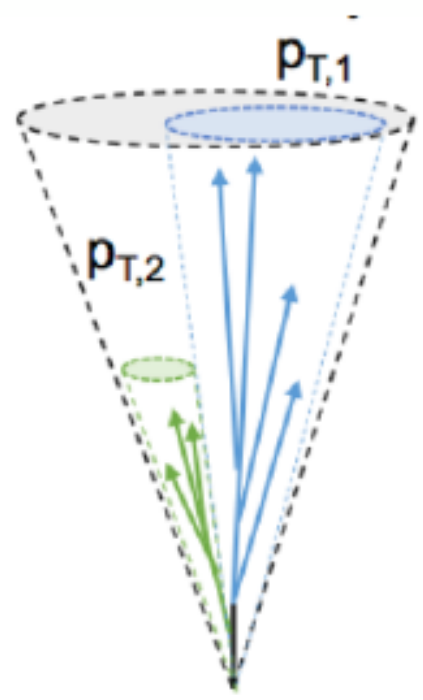


- QGP@RHIC →  
Closer to transition temperature
- Better access to strong coupling regime
  - Larger fraction of jet evolution dominated by QGP medium @RHIC

# Core sPHENIX science program



**Jet structure**  
vary momentum/angular scale of probe



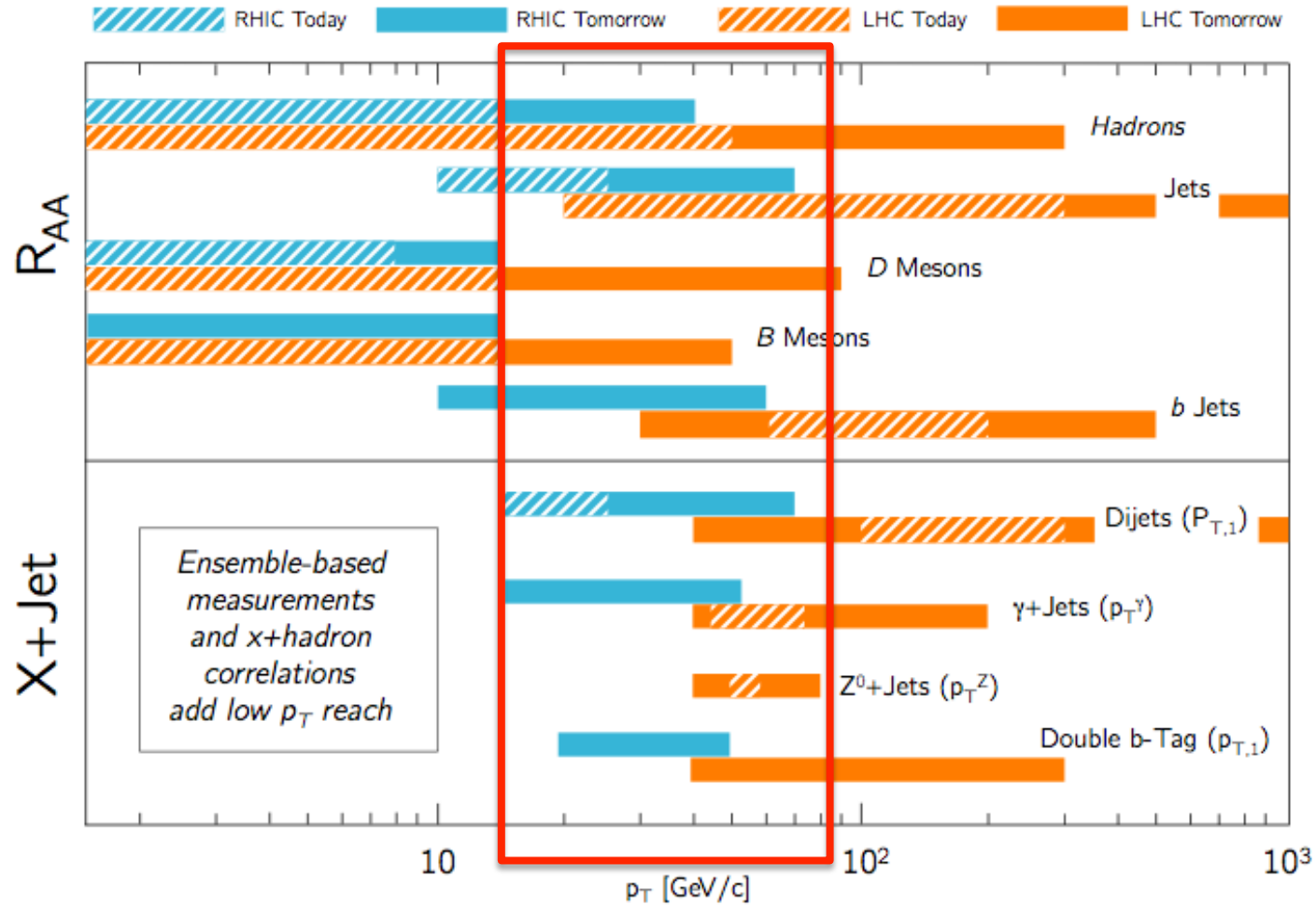
# Physics Goals



Physics goal	Analysis requirement	UPP
Maximize statistics for rare probes	Accept/sample full delivered luminosity	Data taking rate of 15kHz for Au+Au
Precision Upsilon spectroscopy	Resolve $Y(1s)$ , $Y(2s)$ , $Y(3s)$ states	Upsilon(1s) mass resolution $\leq 125\text{MeV}$ in central Au+Au
High jet efficiency and resolution	Full hadron and EM calorimetry Jet resolution dominated by irreducible background fluctuations	$\sigma/\mu \leq 150\%/v_{pT_{\text{jet}}}$ in central Au+Au for $R=0.2$ jets**
Full characterization of jet final state	High efficiency tracking for $0.2 < p_T < 40\text{GeV}$	Tracking efficiency $\geq 90\%$ in central Au+Au** Momentum resolution $\lesssim 10\%$ for $p_T = 40\text{GeV}$ **
Control over initial parton $p_T$	Photon tagging with energy resolution dominated by irreducible higher order processes	Single photon resolution $\leq 8\%$ for $p_T = 15\text{GeV}$ in central Au+Au**

(\*\*) to be extracted using Au+Au, p+p data + simulations  $\rightarrow$  LHC example

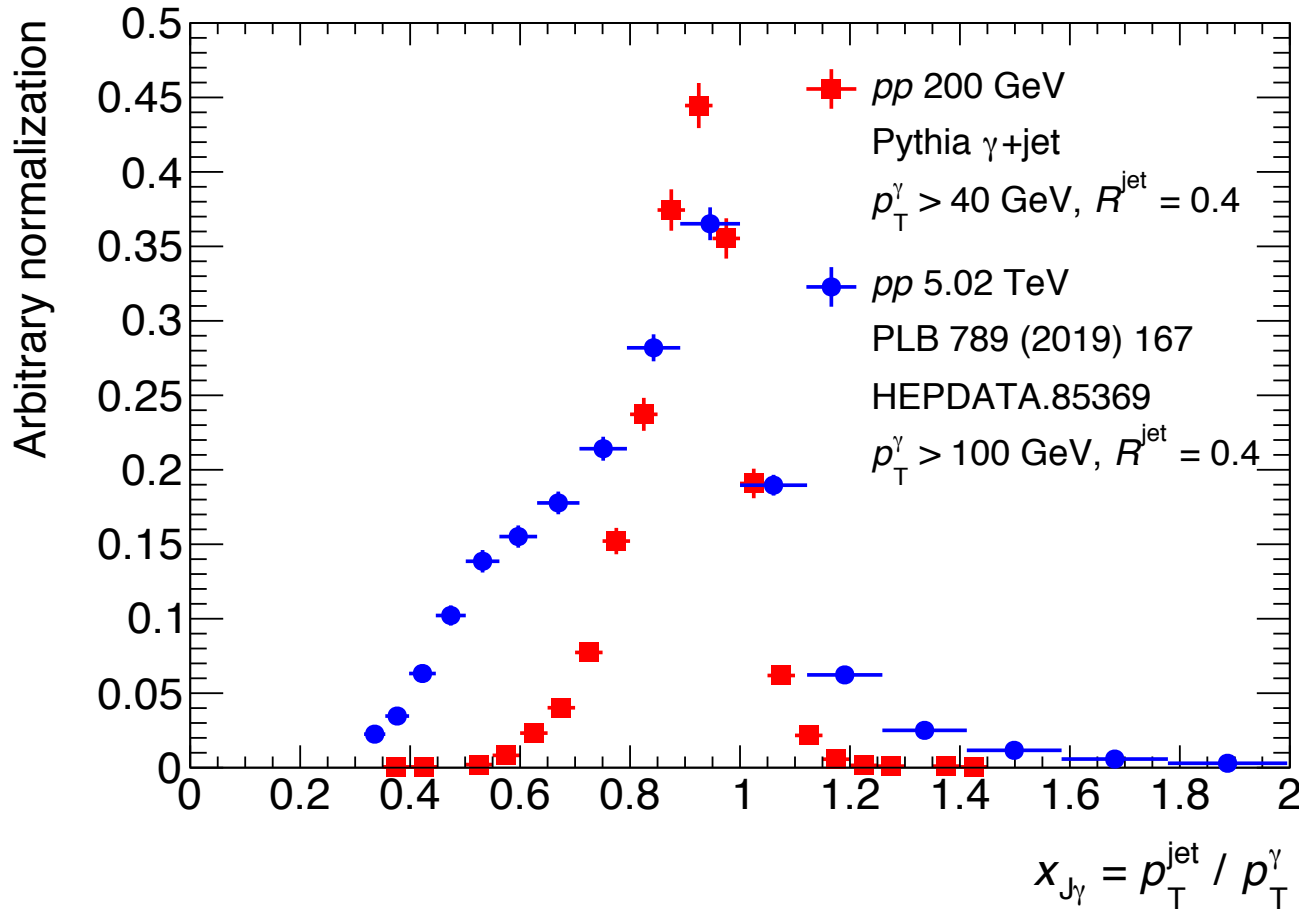
# RHIC/LHC Complementarity



Study same probe @ different QGP evolution



# LHC/RHIC Comparison



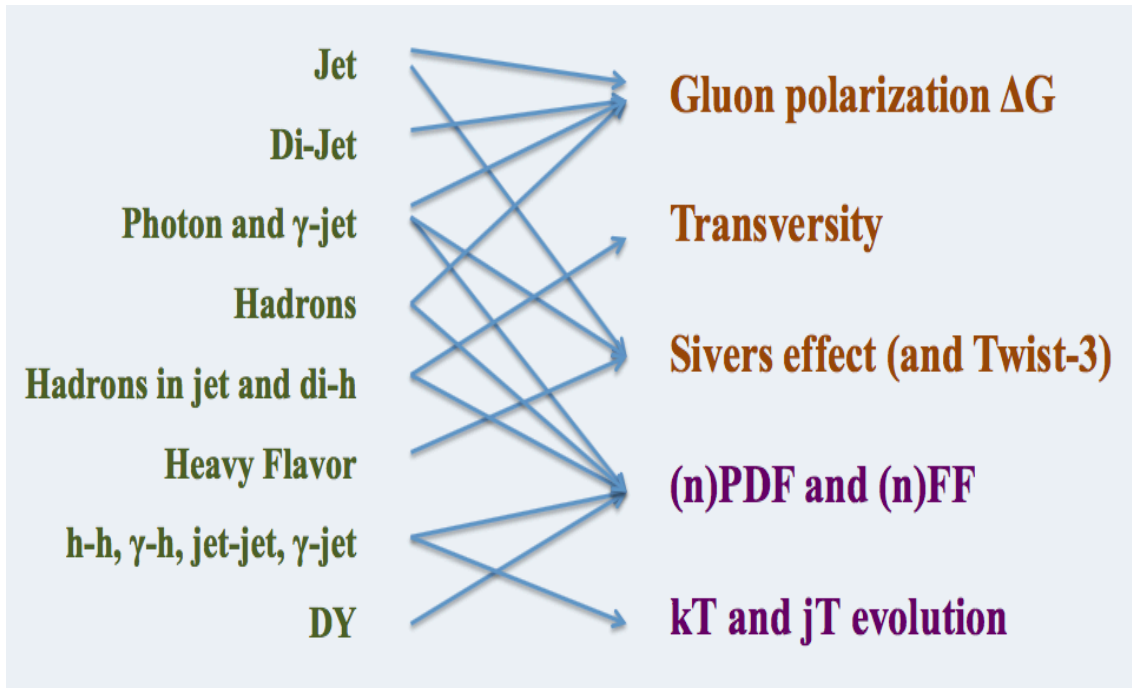
Major physics goal for the HI community

- compare “similar” jets at RHIC & LHC

$\gamma$ -jet!

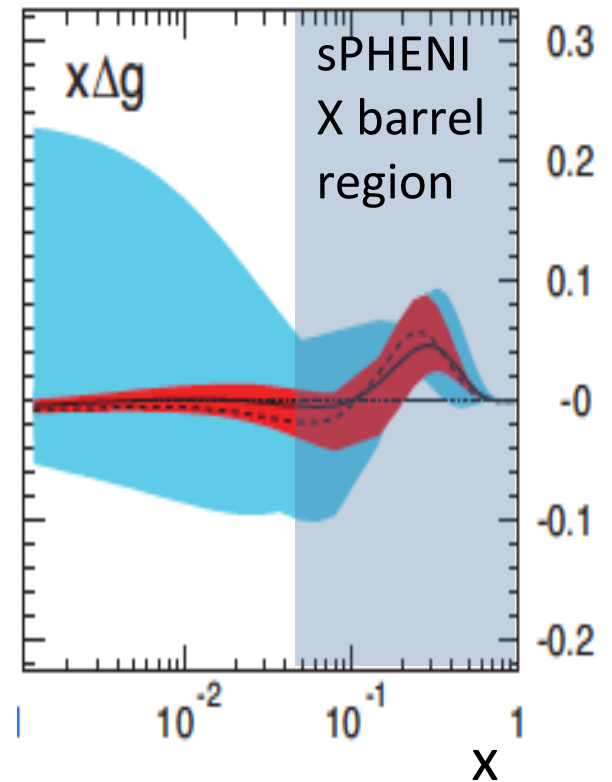
- **$\gamma$ +inclusive-jet** @ RHIC-sPHENIX
- **unfolded  $\gamma$ +leading-jet** @ LHC-ATLAS

# Cold QCD



Jet and hadron asymmetries in polarized pp are sensitive to gluon polarization in high-x region compared to EIC reach

## Gluon Polarization

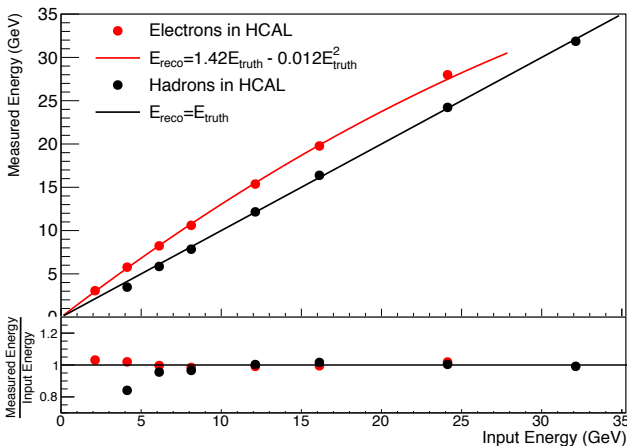
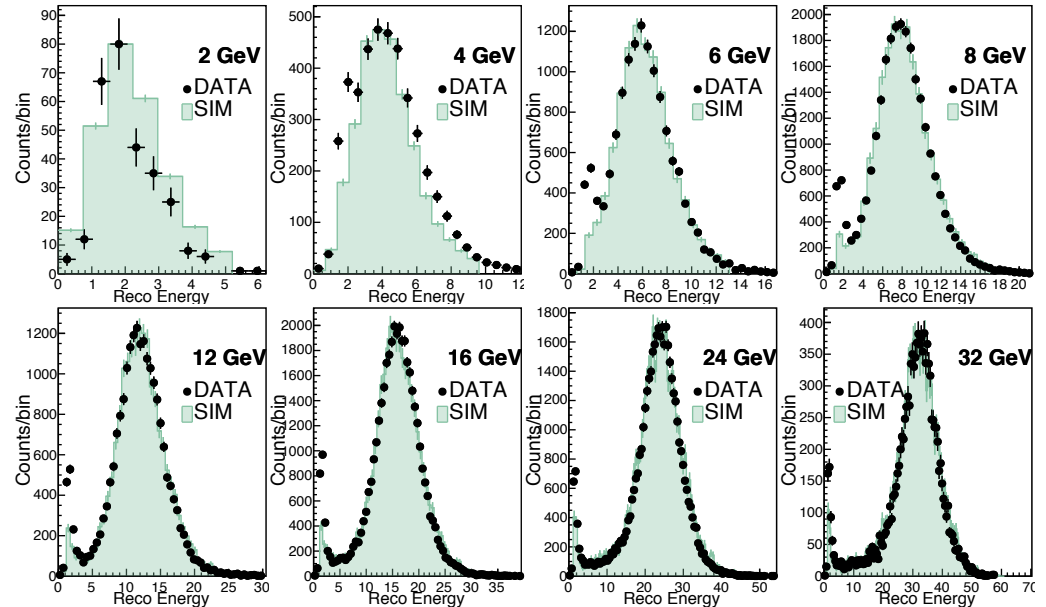


EIC White paper:  
arXiv:1212.1701

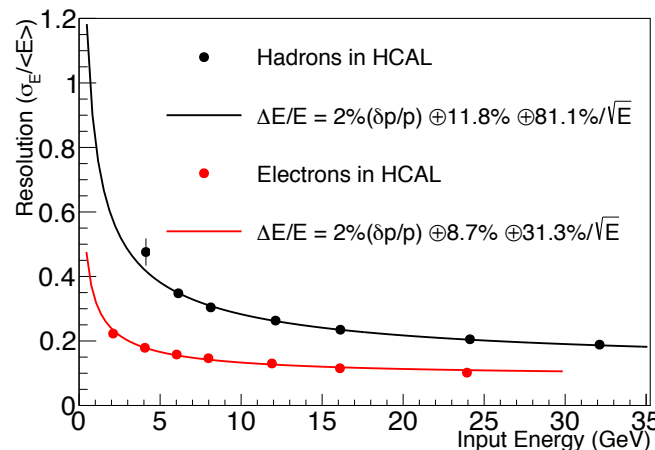
# HCal Test Beam



Good agreement between data and simulation validates simulation



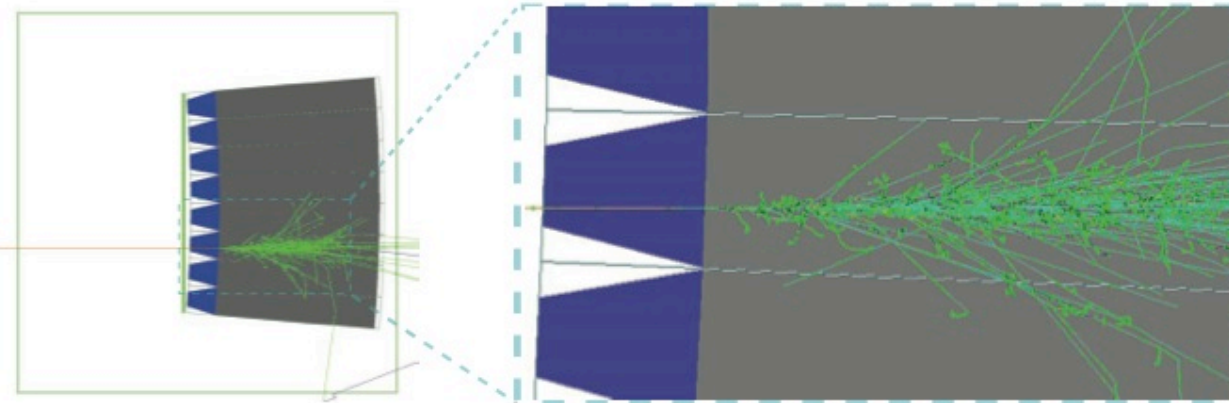
(a)



(b)

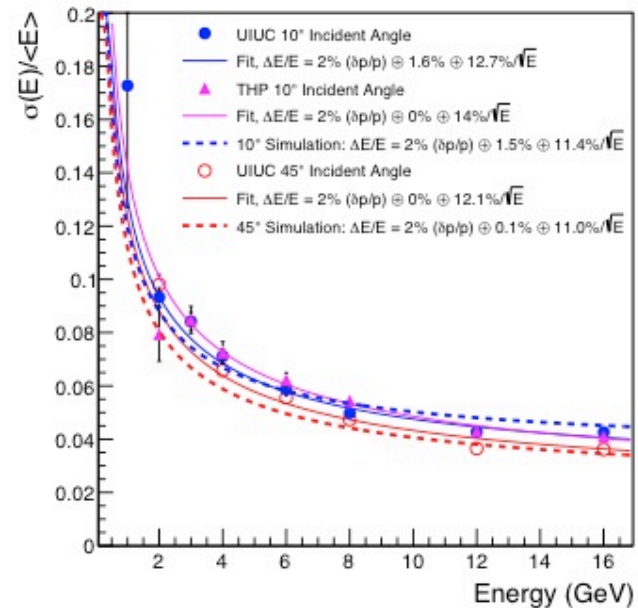
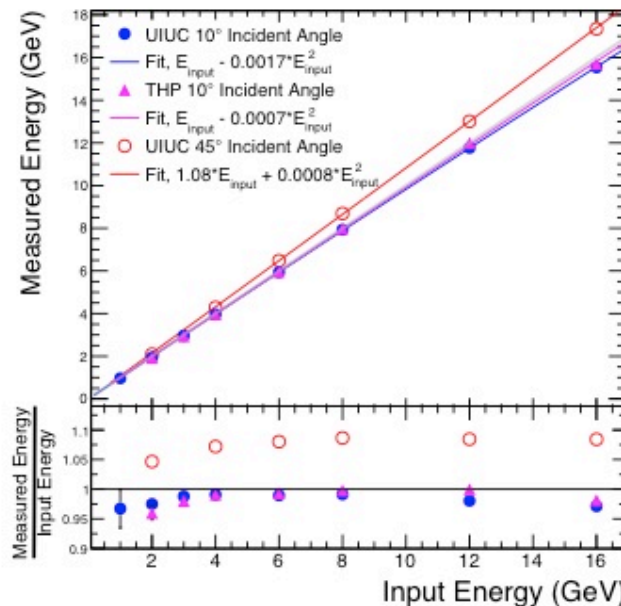
Linearity and resolution for electrons and hadrons in the HCal

# EMCal Beam Test



*GEANT4 simulation of 8 GeV electron incident on EMCal (in test beam configuration)*

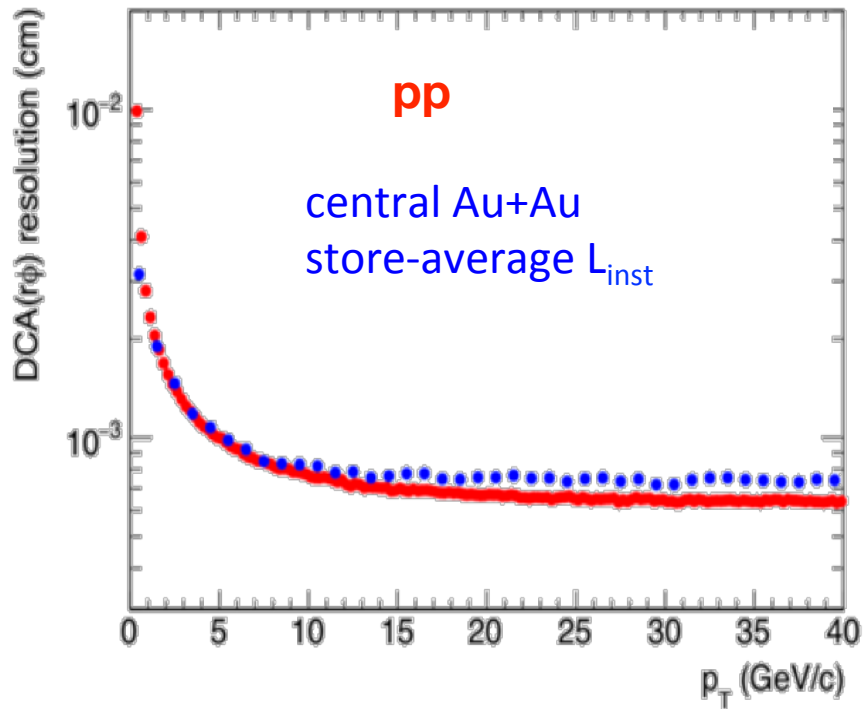
*Linearity and resolution vs. Electron Energy (different tower designs & incidence angles)*



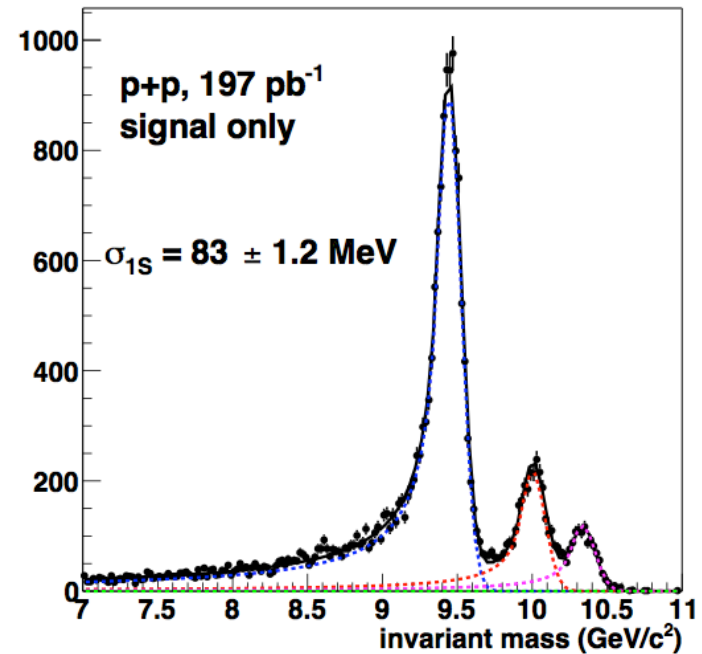
# Tracking Performance



MVTX DCA Resolution

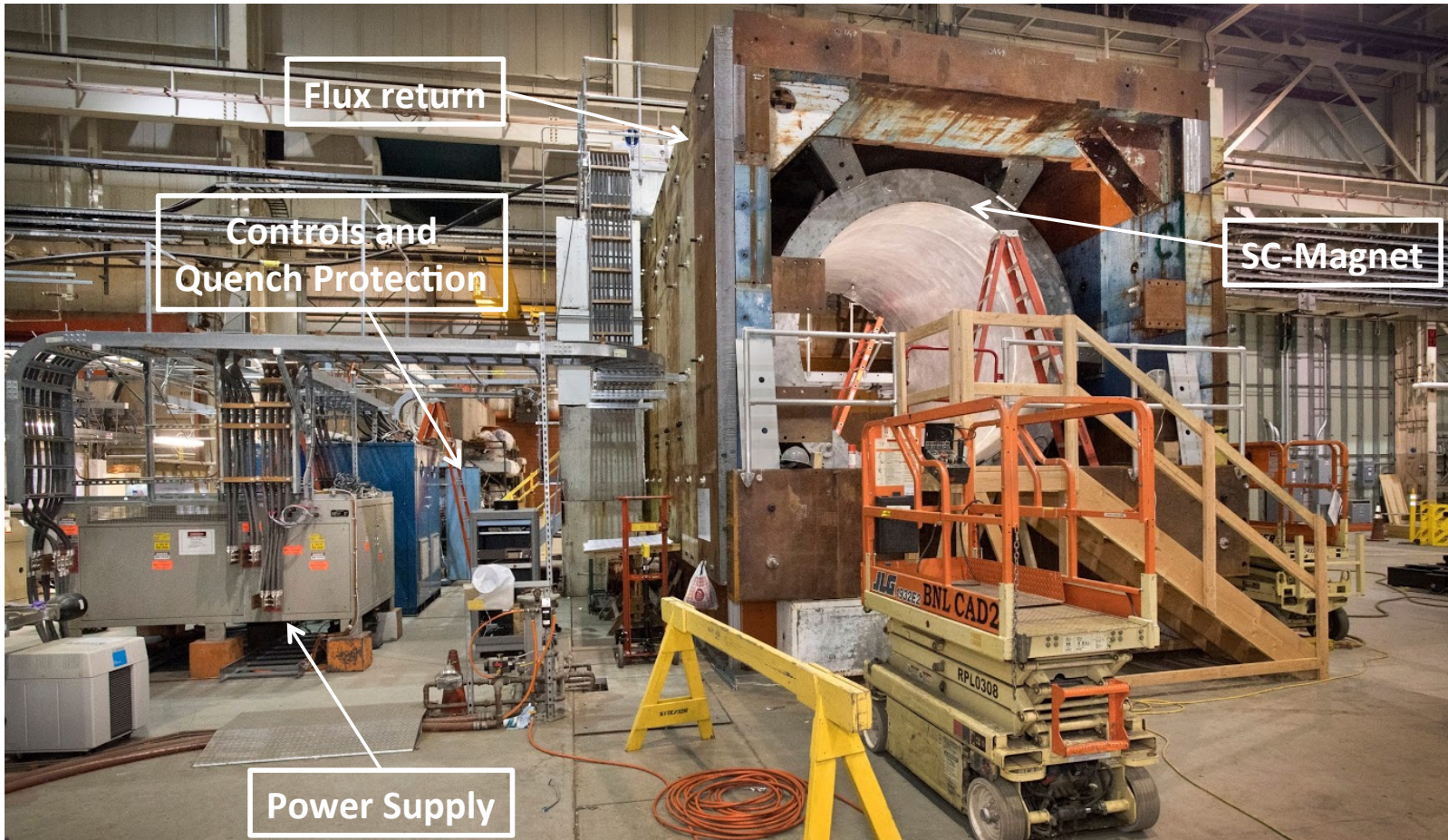


Key for b-tagging and open HF measurements



Resolve Upsilon 2S and 3S mass states

# sPHENIX Magnet



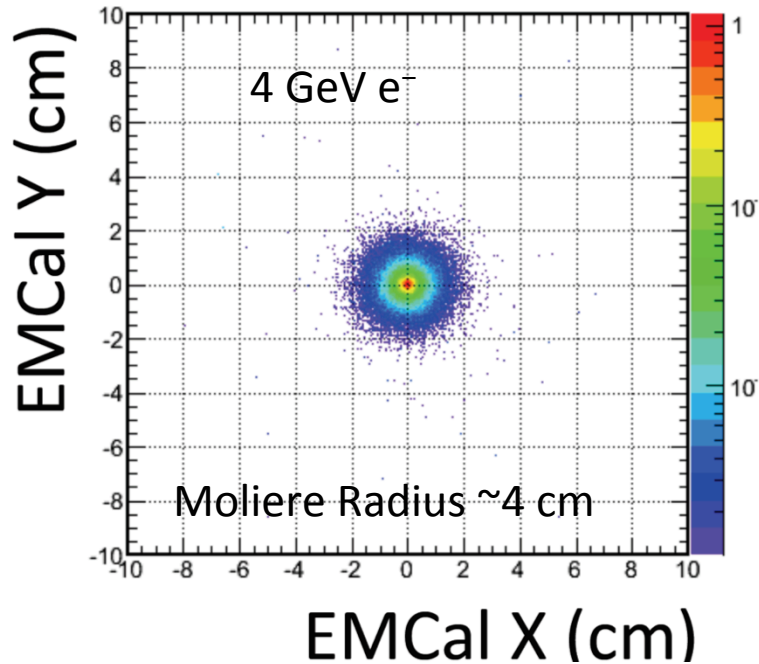
- Formerly Babar magnet, 1.4 T solenoid

# sPHENIX and HI Strategy

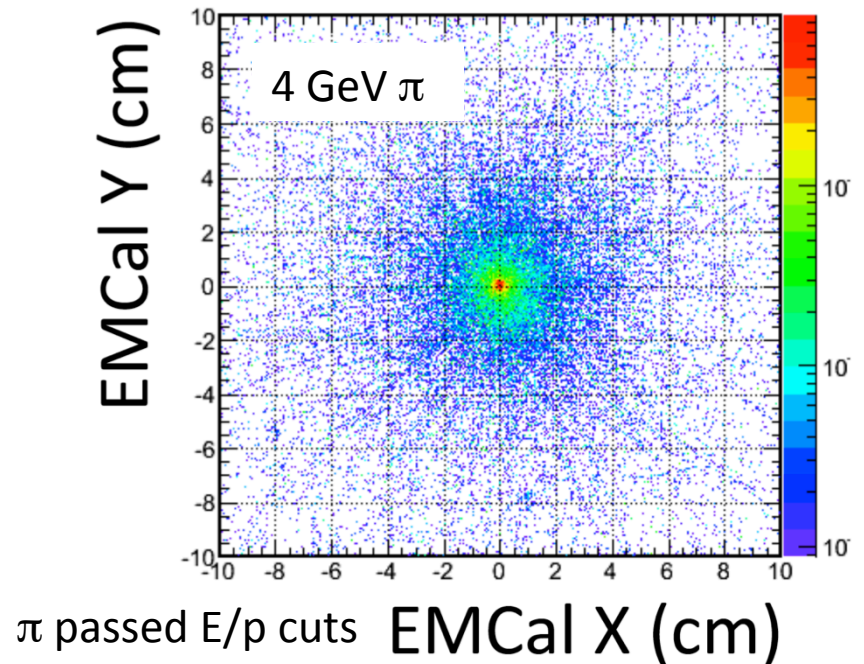


- Hot QCD w/different  $T_{\text{initial}}$  (RHIC vs LHC)  $\rightarrow$  T dependence of transport properties
  - Mid-rapidity HCal at RHIC  $\rightarrow$  HEP-style jet measurements
- LHC approaches PbPb refined in RHIC AuAu w/steeper spectra, lower UE multiplicities,  $\gamma/\pi^0 > 1$  for  $p_T > 20$  GeV/c
- Use of ALICE MAPS and RUs, and the ATLAS FELIX card strengthen justification for future development efforts
- Good alignment between sPHENIX and LHC HI run plans provides options for bridging efforts and collaboration.
- Good data at RHIC improves argument for extending calculations to lower energy and building frameworks
  - DOE JET collaboration, LANL LDRD, NSF JETSCAPE

# Calorimeter Performance



95% containment in  
3x3 tower square



50% containment in  
3x3 tower square