

The p+A Programs at RHIC and the LHC

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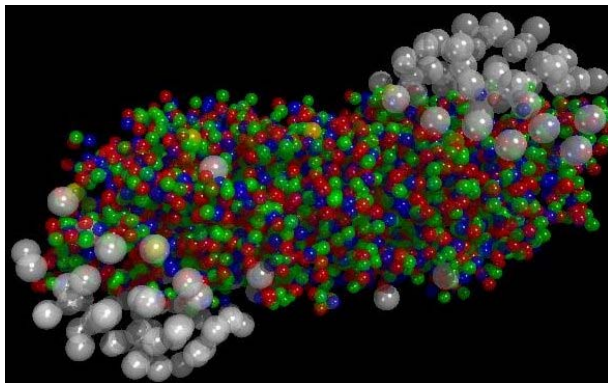
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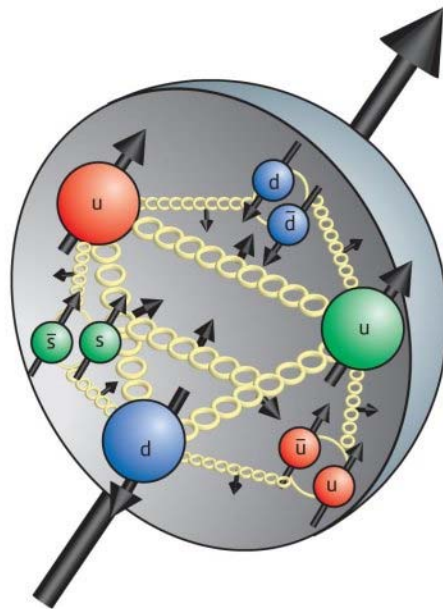
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The Big Picture At RHIC and the LHC

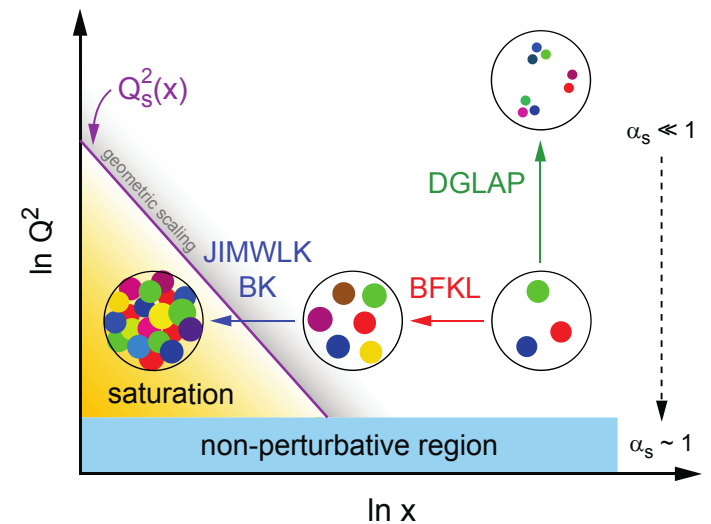
How do collective, many-body phenomena arise from first-principles QCD?



Quark-Gluon Plasma



Polarized Protons

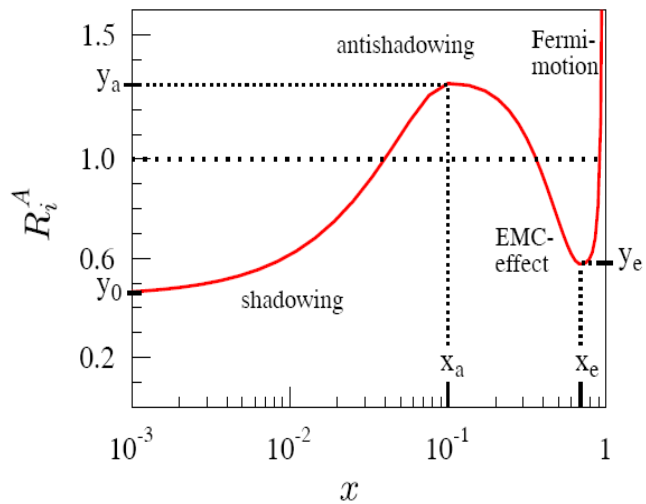


Gluons in Nuclei

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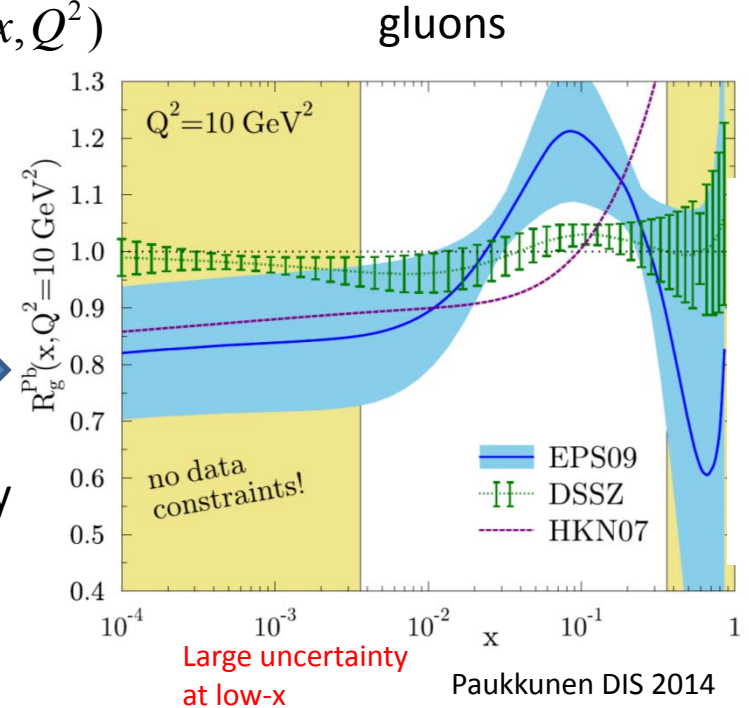
$$R_G^{Pb}(x, Q^2) = \frac{xG_A(x, Q^2)}{AxG_p(x, Q^2)}$$

shadowing/saturation in nuclei



Fit data on nuclei:
SLAC, NMC, EMC
DIS+DY+PHENIX
midrapidity π^0

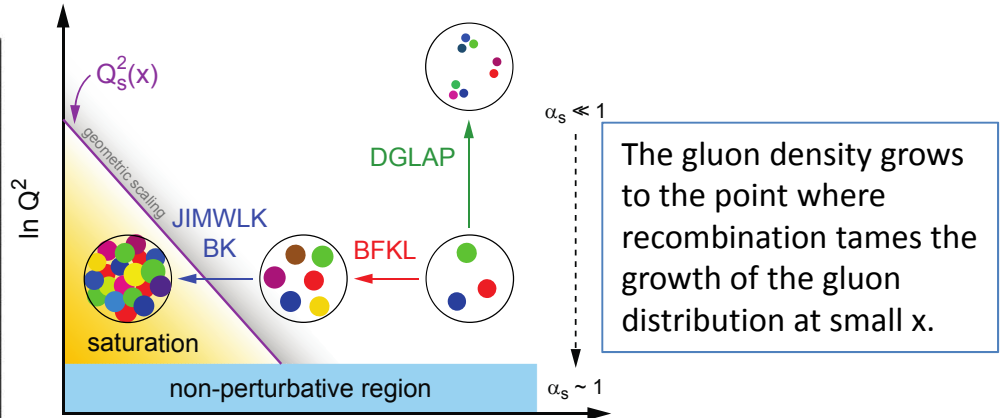
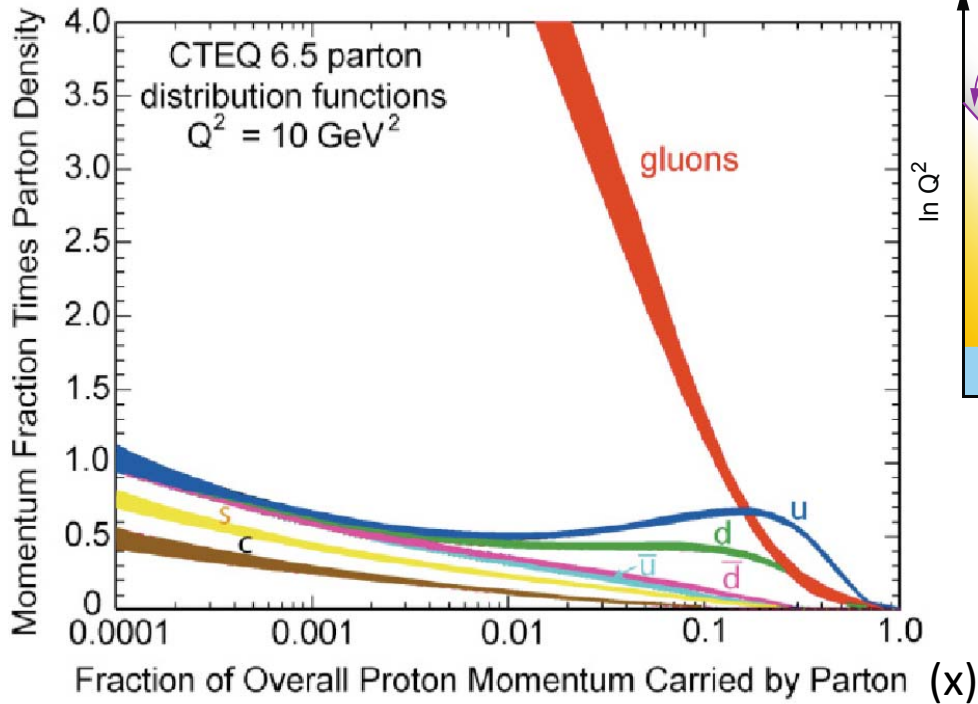
Lack of data
⇒ large uncertainty
in gluon pdf
at low-x



Large uncertainties in the nuclear gluon PDF at low-x: many important effects to disentangle – *shadowing, antishadowing, nonlinear QCD, saturation, etc.*

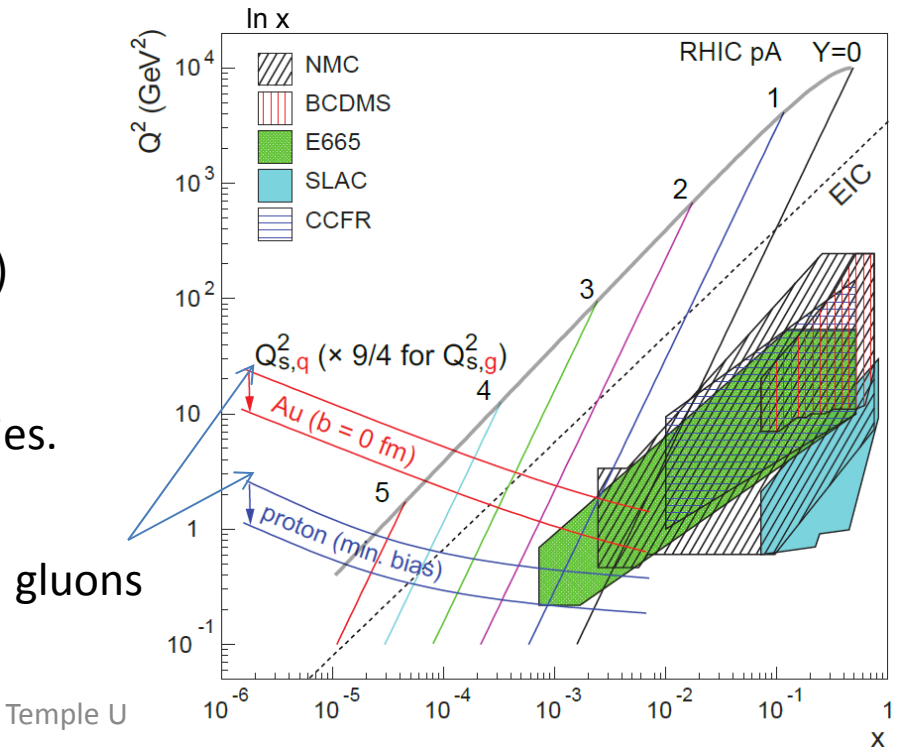
Important for fundamental understand of partonic processes in nuclei, *as well as* for the initial conditions at RHIC and the LHC.

Saturation



The nucleus is an *amplifier* of high gluon densities.

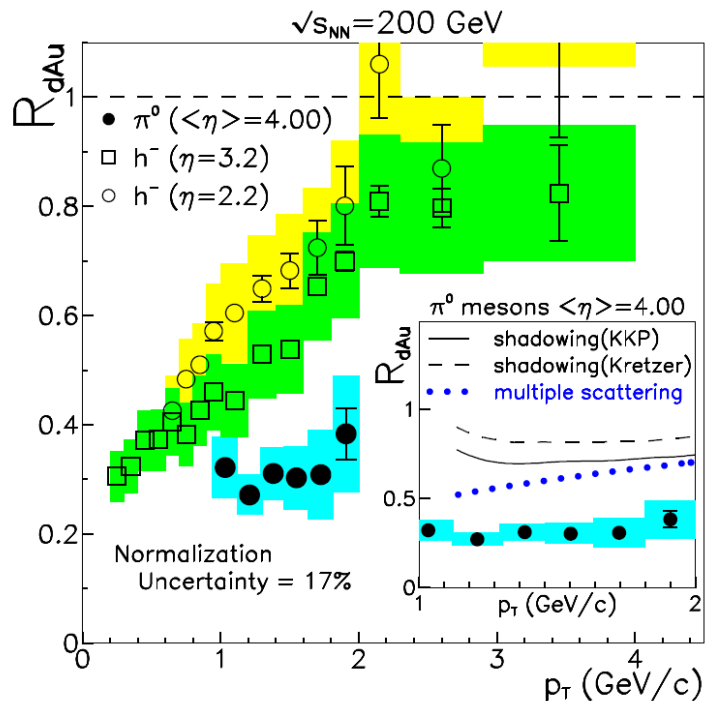
$$(Q_S^A)^2 \approx c Q_0^2 \left(\frac{A}{x} \right)^{1/3}$$



The Big Questions

- What is the gluon density in heavy nuclei?
How is it modified in the nuclear environment?
- What role does saturation play in determining this gluon density?
- What is the saturation scale Q_s , and how does it depend on A and x ?

What do we know from d+Au at RHIC?

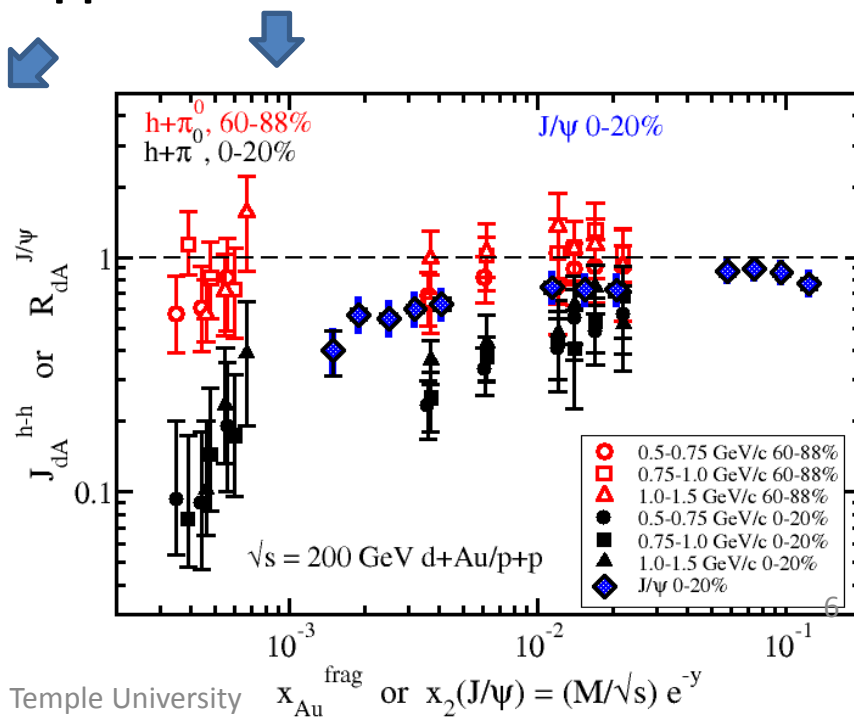
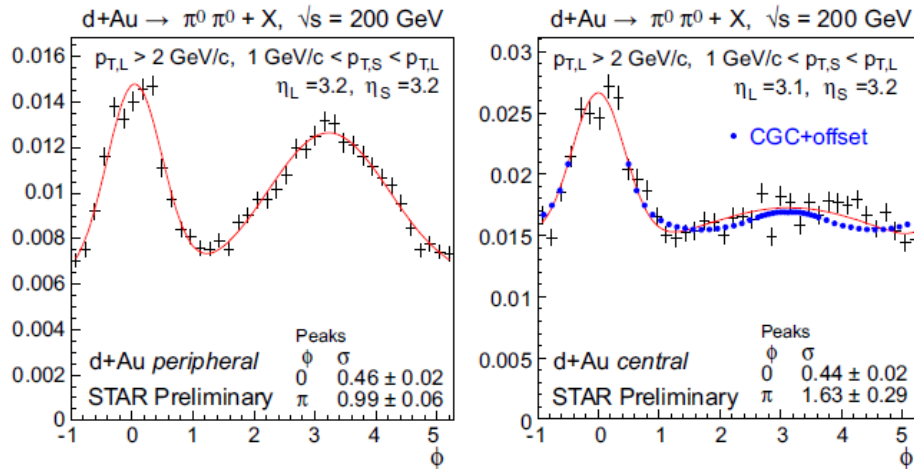


PHENIX/BRAHMS/STAR R_{dAu}

← Forward R_{dAu} shows higher suppression

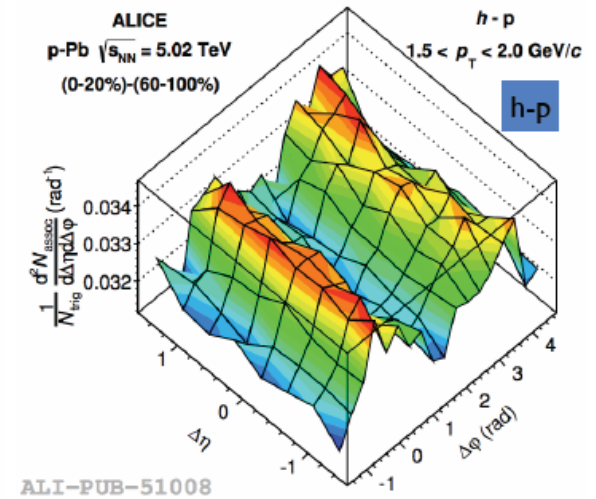
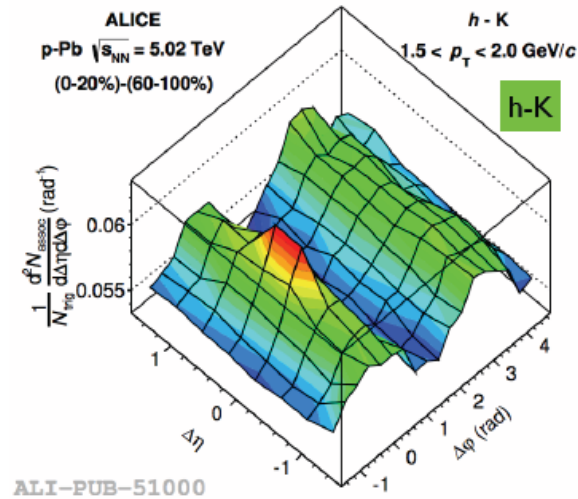
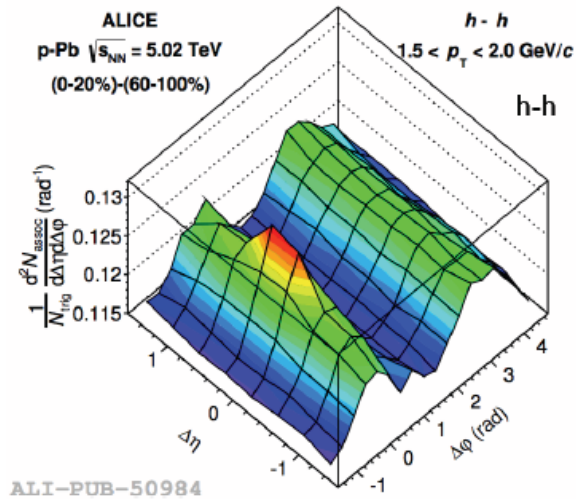
$$R_{dAu} = \frac{d^2 \sigma / dy dp_T |_{dAu}}{\langle N_{coll} \rangle d^2 \sigma / dy dp_T |_{pp}}$$

PHENIX/STAR forward π^0 correlations and J/ψ suppressed



What do we know from p+Pb at the LHC?

“Collective” behavior observed in high multiplicity p+p/p+Pb collisions!



What is the origin of this behavior?

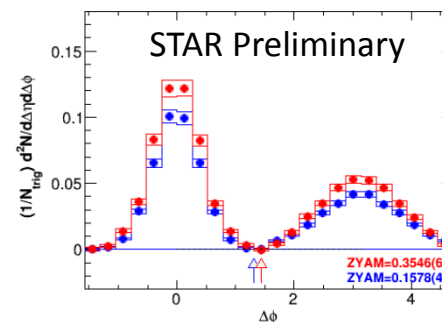
- Jet-medium/multi-parton interactions (arXiv 1203.2048)
- CGC (PRD 87 094304)
- Hydrodynamics from small dense system (arXiv 1211.0845)

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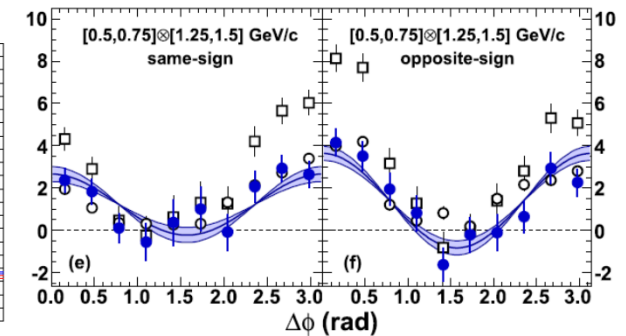
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Similar behavior observed in RHIC d+Au...



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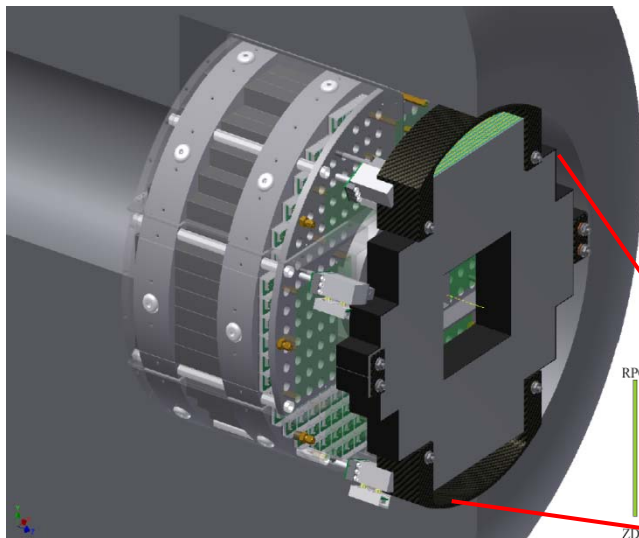
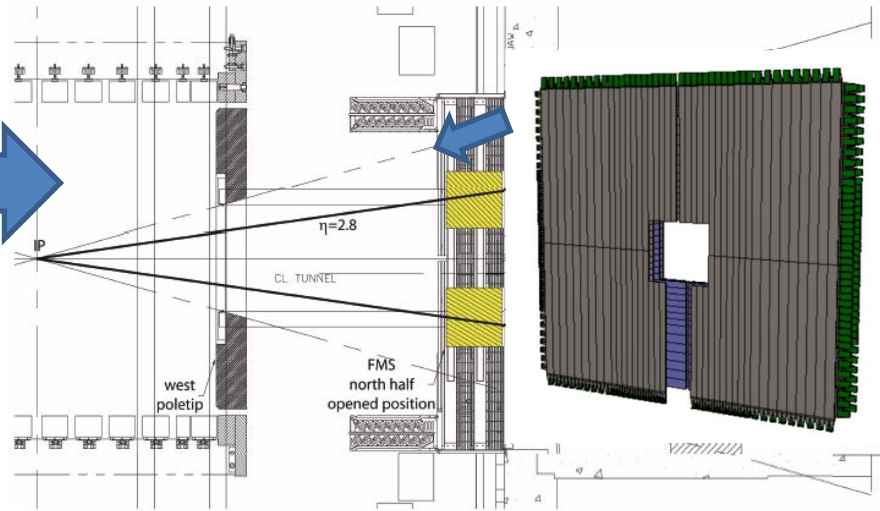
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The Near Future

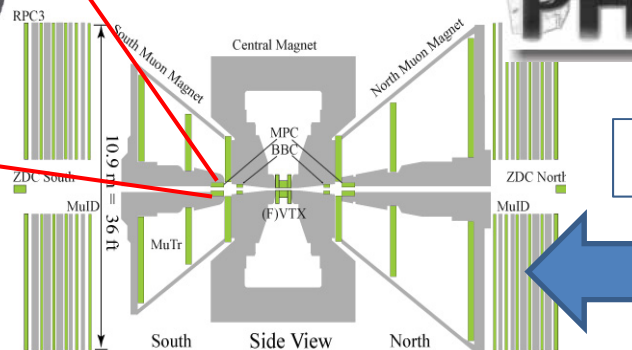
RHIC Near Term Upgrades



STAR FPS Preshower Array

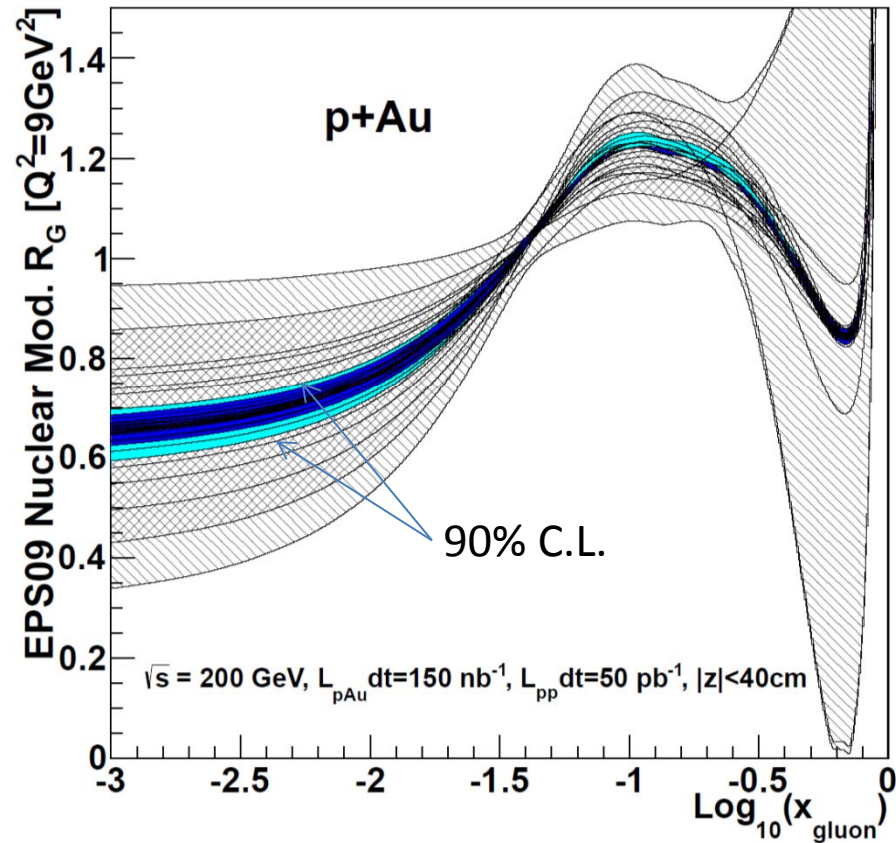
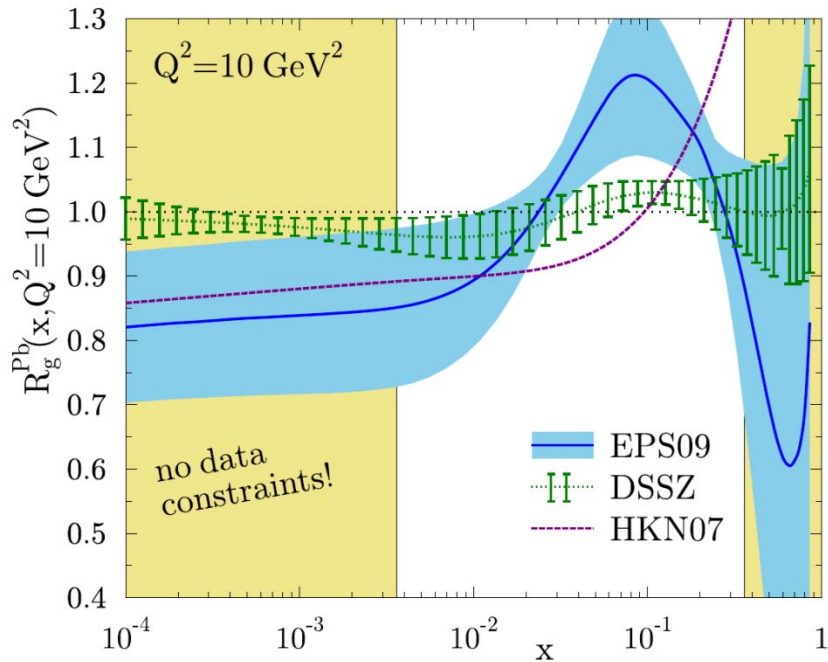


PHENIX MPC-EX Preshower



nPDF Limits from Photons @ RHIC

No CNM final state effects!

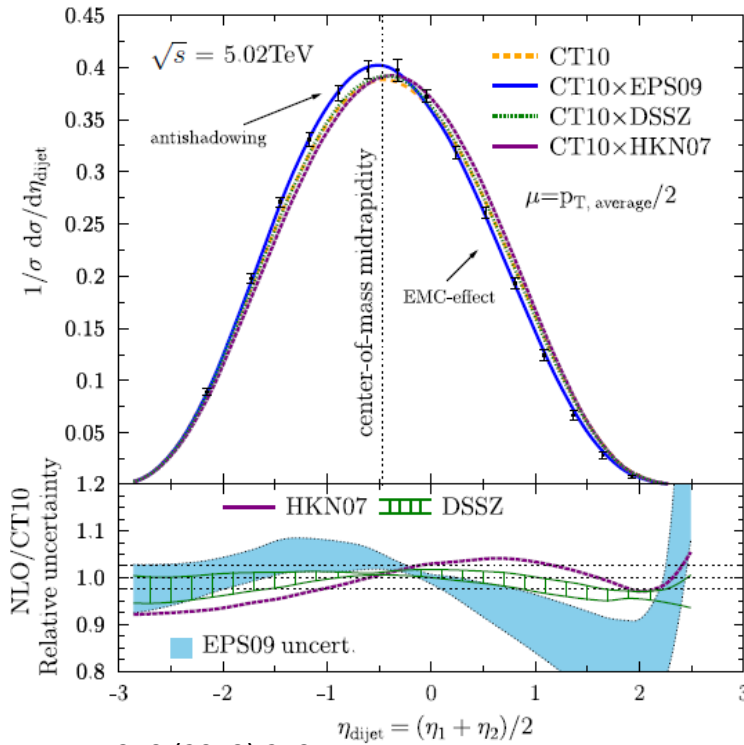


Example using MPC-EX pseudodata to constrain EPS09 family of curves.

Prompt photons in p+Au -> Precise Measurement of Gluons at Low-x

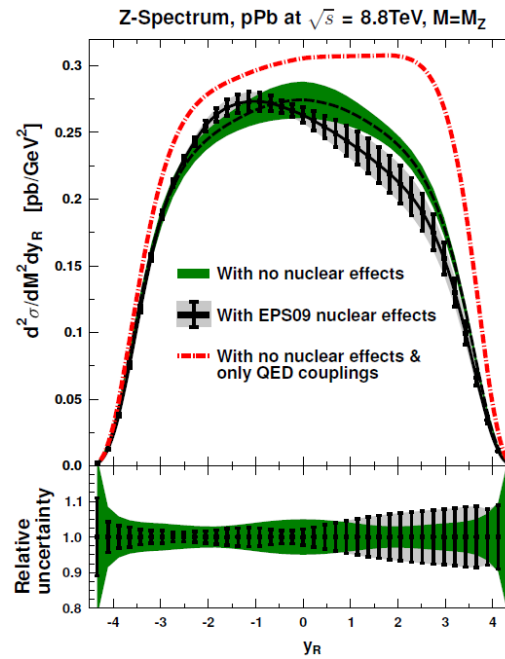
Constraints on nPDFs from the LHC

Existing CMS p+Pb dijet measurements can discriminate between different nPDFs.



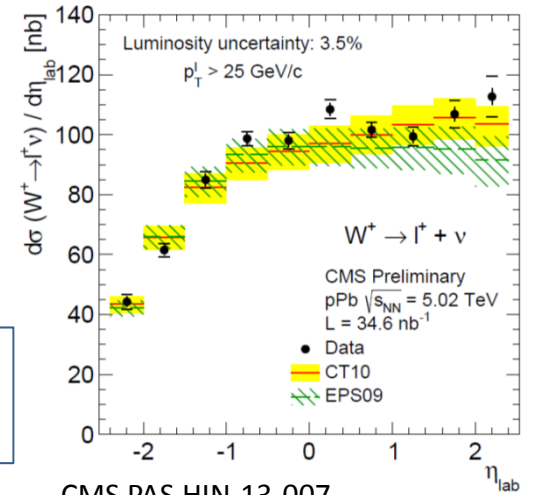
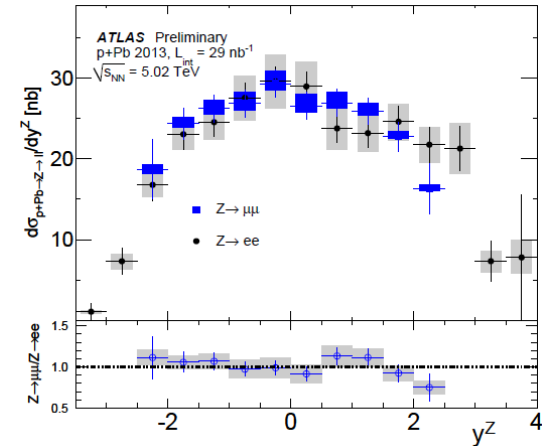
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Future results for photons, $W^{+/-}$, and Z bosons in p+Pb collisions will constrain nPDFs at a large scale.



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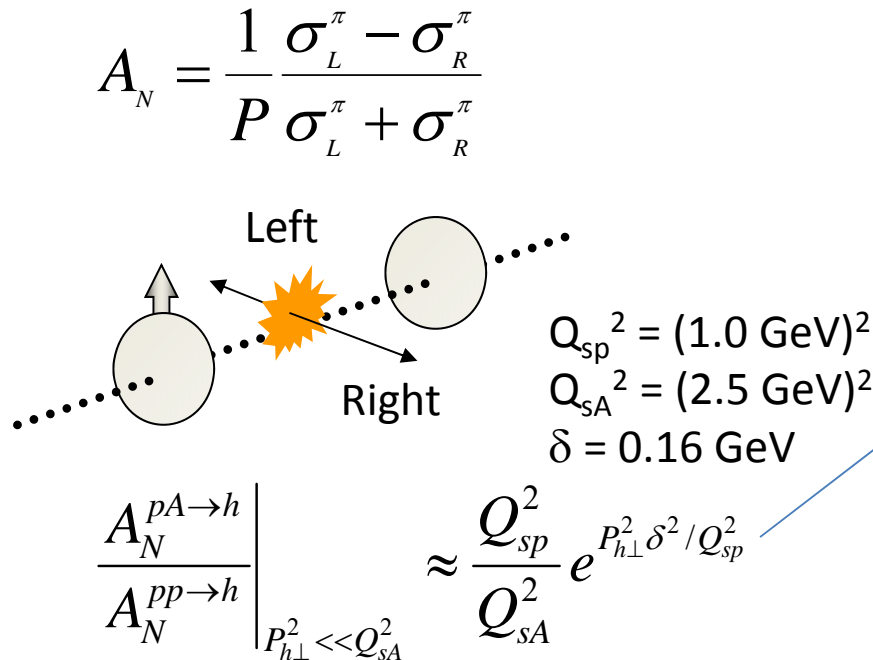
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A combination of the RHIC and LHC data will provide significant new constraints on nPDFs.

Polarized p+A Collisions at RHIC

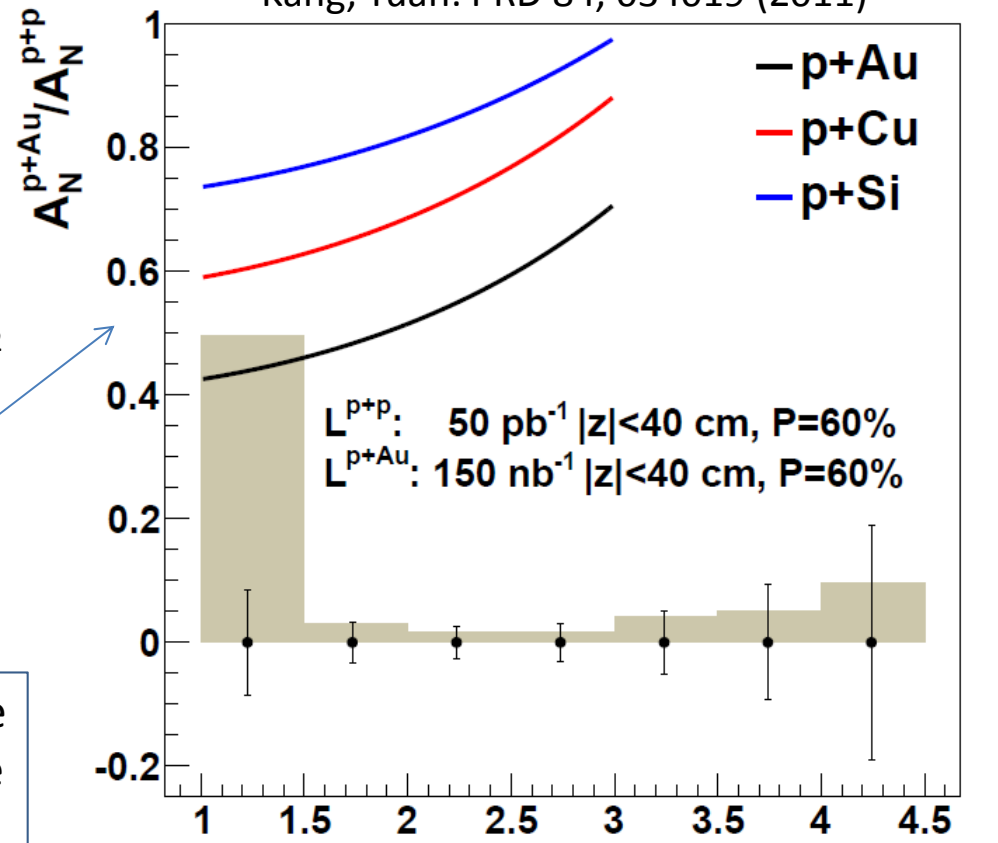
Y. Kovchegov & M.D. Sievert: PRD 86, 034028 (2012)

Kang, Yuan: PRD 84, 034019 (2011)



Single spin asymmetries can act as a probe of the saturation scale – the p+p reference will also be better understood with new instruments.

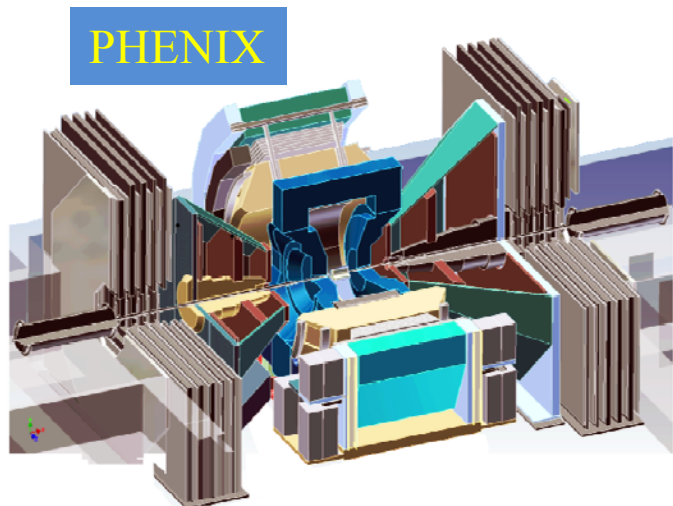
A unique capability of RHIC!



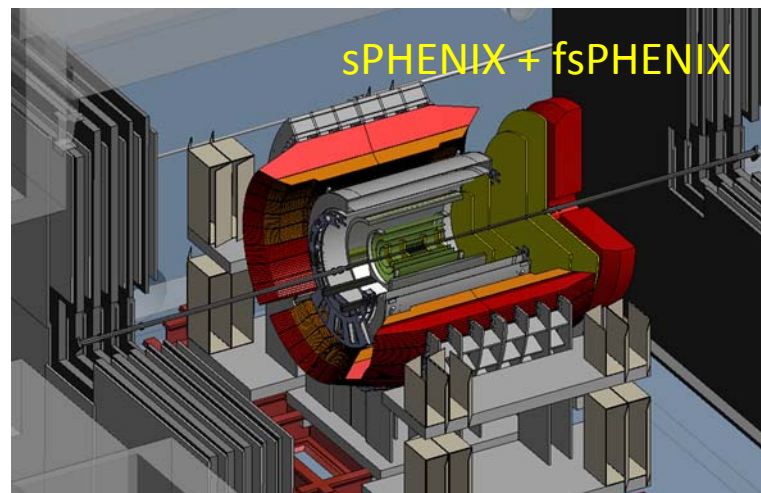
- Dependence of Q_{SA} on A
- Combined with other measurements this can estimate Q_{sp}

The Future p+A Program

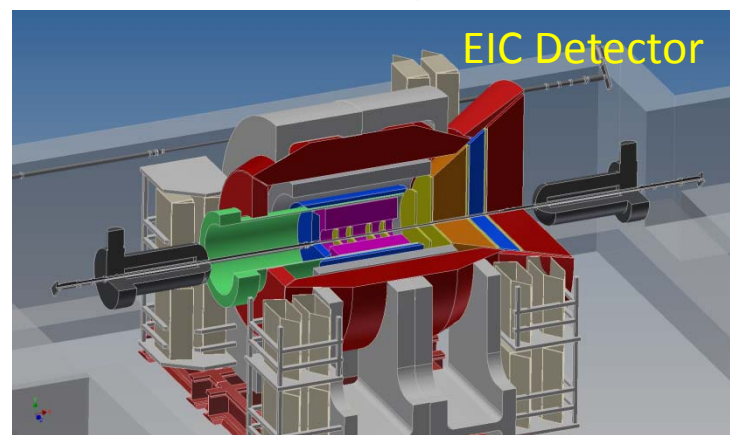
The PHENIX Detector Evolution



2021-22



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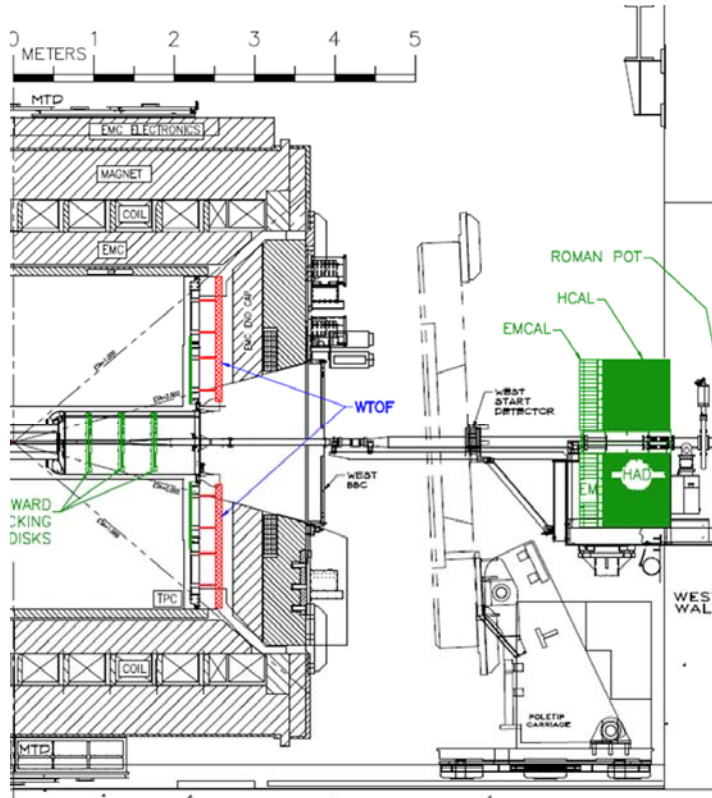


Evolve sPHENIX (HI detector) with forward instrumentation for p+p/p+A physics:

- GEM tracking chambers
- Hadronic Calorimetry
- Reconfigure existing FVTX and MuID

fsPHENIX forward instrumentation in common with evolution of sPHENIX into an EIC (eRHIC) detector.

STAR Forward Upgrades for 2021+



Forward Upgrades:

ECal:

Tungsten-Powder-Scintillating-fiber
2.3 cm Moliere Radius, Tower-size: $2.5 \times 2.5 \times 17 \text{ cm}^3$, $23 X_0$

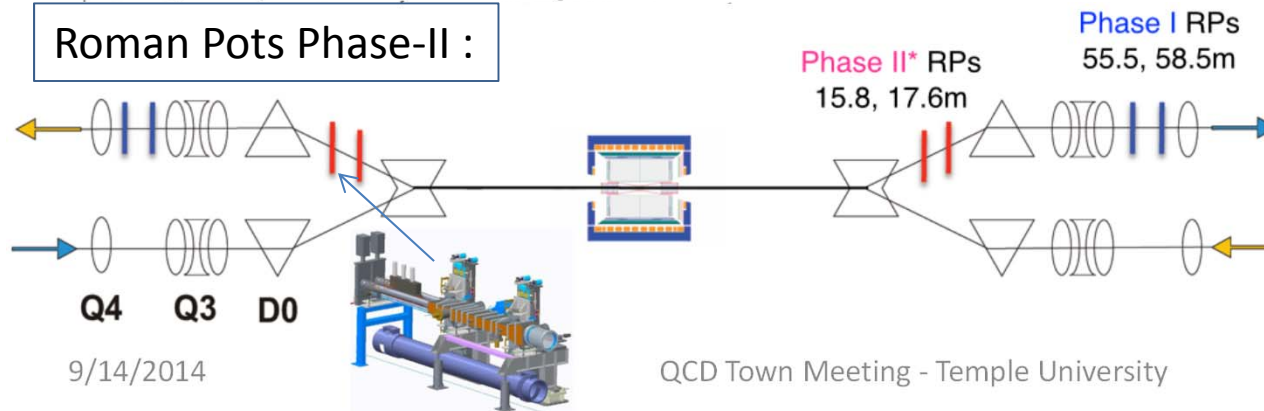
HCal:

Lead and Scintillator tiles, Tower size of $10 \times 10 \times 81 \text{ cm}^3$
4 interaction length

Tracking:

Silicon mini-strip detector 3-4 disks at $z \sim 70$ to 140 cm
Each disk has wedges covering full 2π range in ϕ
and 2.5-4 in η (other options still under study)

Roman Pots Phase-II :

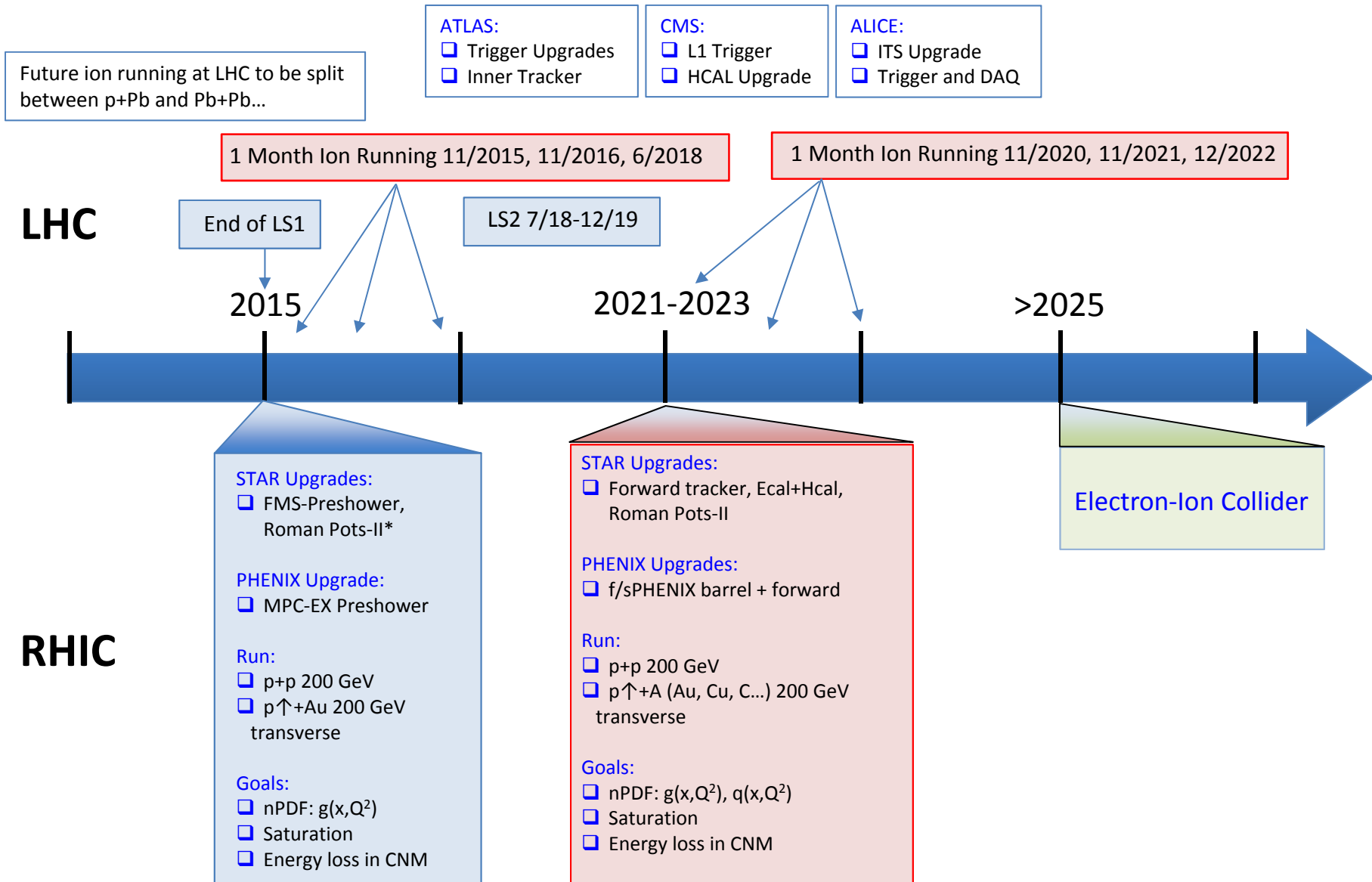


STAR is also pursuing a coordinated upgrade path that can lead to an EIC detector.

Future p+A Measurements @ RHIC

- **Correlations:**
 - h-h and π^0 - π^0 are straightforward experimentally
 - γ -h and γ - π^0 are easier to interpret
 - jet-jet, γ -jet gives access to complete kinematics at LO
- **Ultra-Peripheral Collisions:**
 - Access to $g(x, Q^2, b)$
- **Drell-Yan:**
 - Access $q_{bar}(x, Q_2)$
 - Complete kinematics: x_1, x_2, Q^2
 - True 2->1 process yields access to $x < 0.001$

A p+A Timeline for the LHC and RHIC



Why RHIC and the LHC?

- **RHIC:**
 - **RHIC “straddles” Q_{sA}**
 - RHIC can make measurements both above and below the saturation scale (rapidity and centrality)
 - **RHIC can explore the dependence of the saturation scale on nuclear size**
 - Flexibility of RHIC collider to run p+A with multiple A species
 - **Polarized p↑+A collisions offer a unique, fundamentally new observable**
- **LHC:**
 - **The LHC measurements provide a large lever arm in Q^2 .**
 - **Higher energy at the LHC makes available new probes ($W^{+/-}$, Z)**
- **Measurements at RHIC and the LHC and *complementary!***

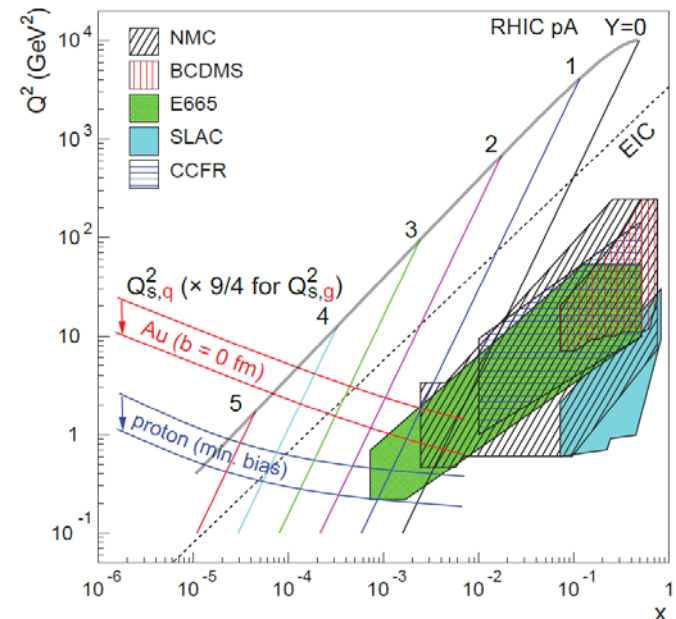
Why $p+A$ and $e+A$?

- $p+A$:

- Initial kinematics undetermined – a given measurement averages over a range in x
- *Essential for comparison with $e+A$ to separate universal physics from process dependence.*

- $e+A$:

- Initial kinematics determined event-by-event
- Large range in x, Q^2

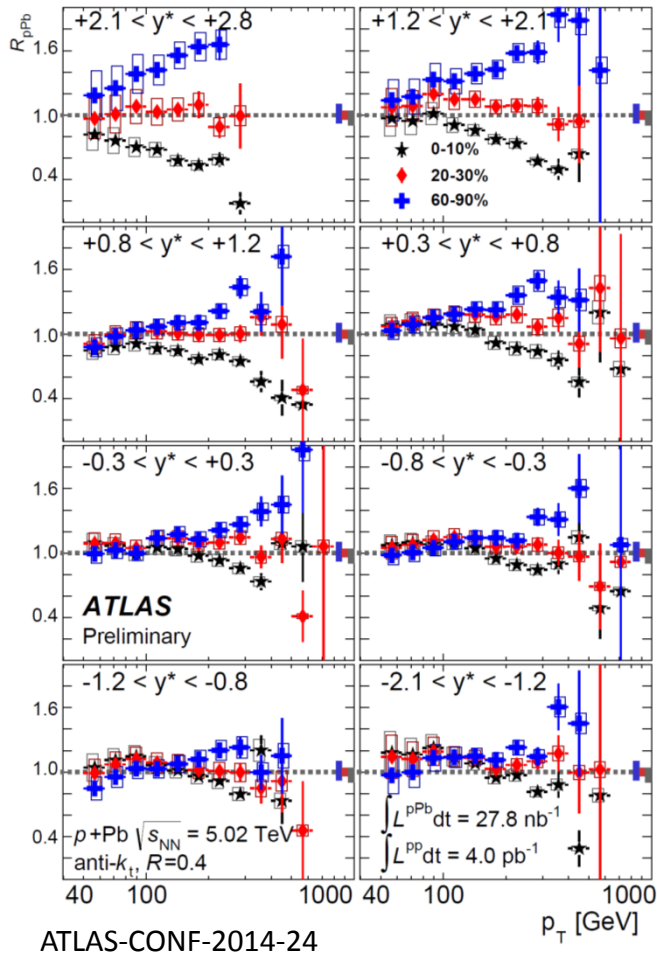


Summary

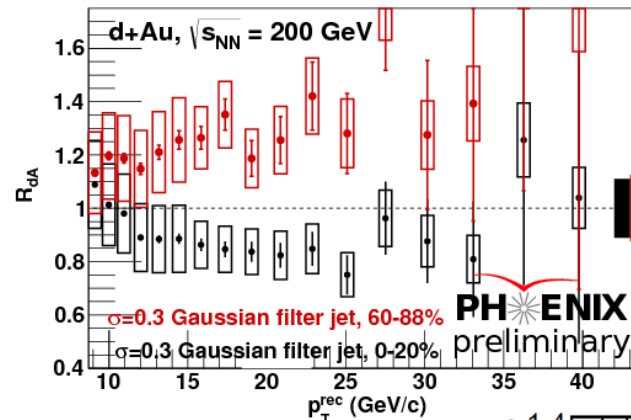
- **The study of p+A collisions offers a window into the structure of matter:**
 - Important to understand partonic processes on nuclei
 - Sets the initial conditions for HI collisions
 - Tantalizing hints of saturation in current RHIC data
 - Exciting evidence of collective behavior
- **Near-term detector upgrades at RHIC and analysis of existing LHC data will continue the success and open new approaches:**
 - Prompt photons in the PHENIX MPC-EX and STAR FMS
 - New nPDF constraints from RHIC + LHC data
 - Polarized p+A collisions a unique scientific opportunity!
- **PHENIX/STAR forward upgrades will enable critical new observables on the road to the EIC**
 - Extend observables to include jets, DY
- **Measurements in e+A at the EIC will enable a complete, systematic study of the behavior of low-x gluons in nuclei.**

BACKUP

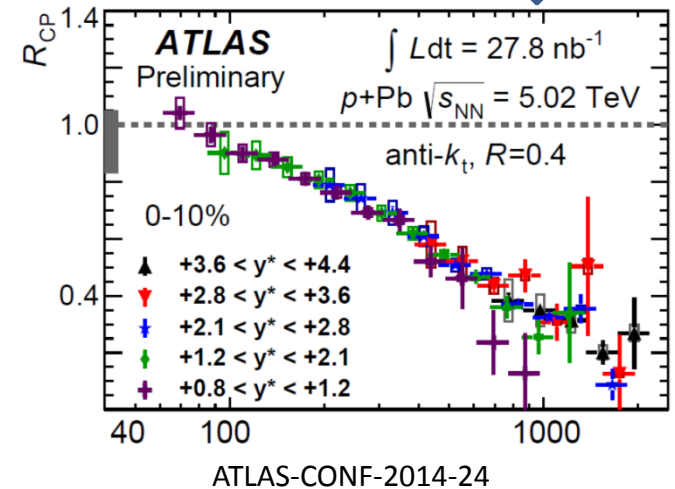
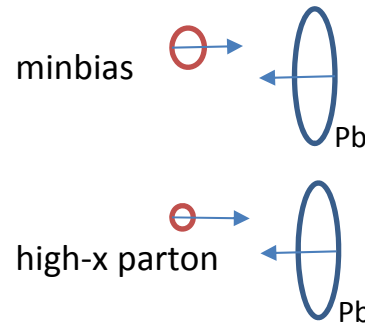
An Intriguing Idea...



Jet R_{pPb} at LHC and R_{dAu} at RHIC show a surprising pattern – suppression in central events, *enhancement* for peripheral!



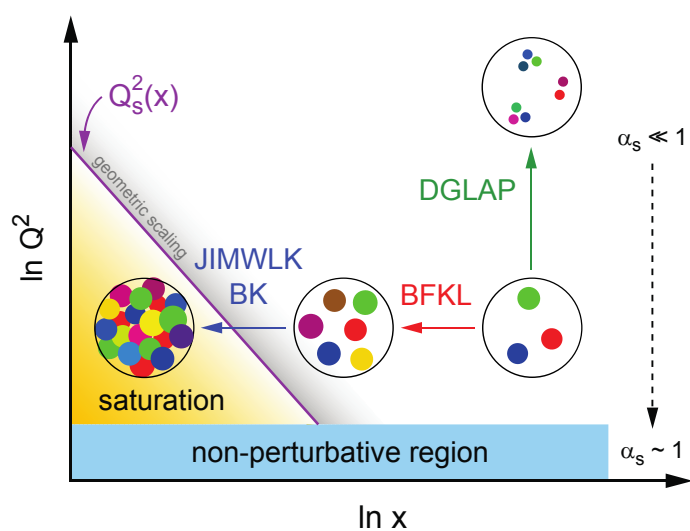
Seems to be an initial state effect associated with the x of the parton from the proton!



Fluctuations in proton size correlate with centrality!?

hep-ph/1307.5911

Connection to EIC : TMD Gluon PDFs



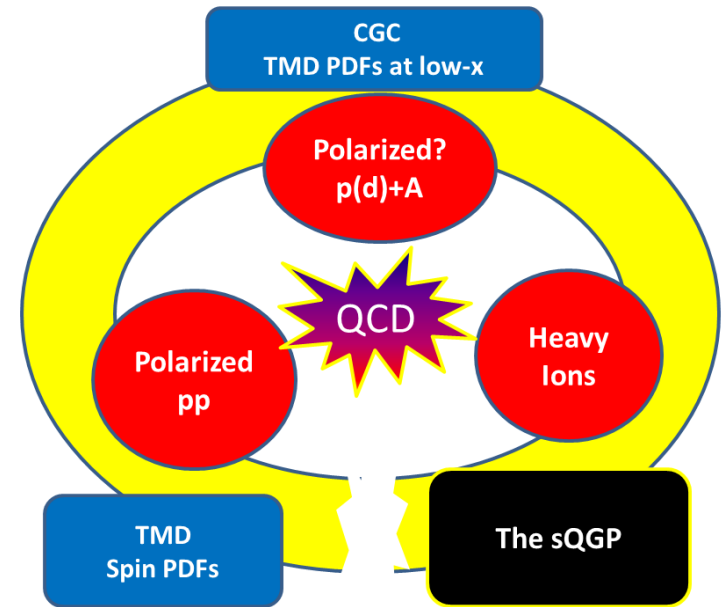
$$\frac{d\sigma(pA \rightarrow \gamma q + X)}{dy_1 dy_2 d^2 P_{\perp} d^2 q_{\perp}} = \sum_f x_p q_f(x_p) x_g G^{(2)}(x_g, q_{\perp}) H_{qg \rightarrow \gamma q}$$

Dominguez, Marquet, Xiao, Yuan: Phys Rev. D 83: 105005 (2011)

Transverse Momentum Dependent (TMD) factorization is **recovered** in low-x limit in p+A, consequence is two gluon distributions!

TMD PDF's at low-x are equivalent to those obtained in the Color Glass Condensate framework!

The TMD framework is important in attempts to understand single-spin asymmetries!



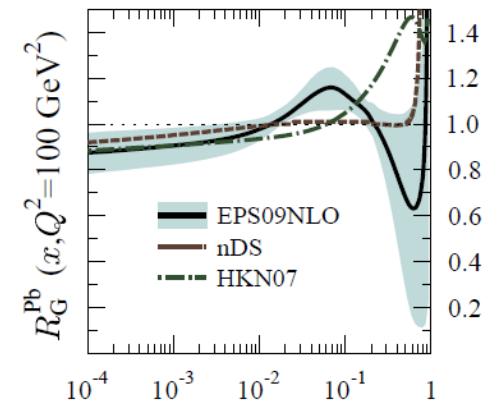
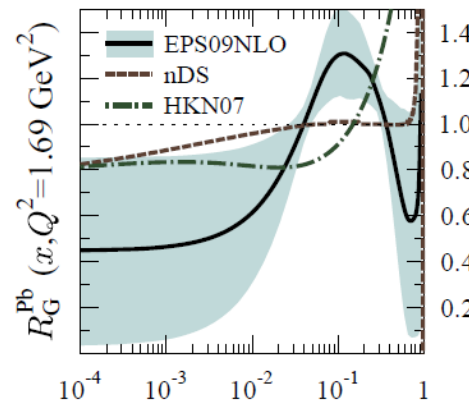
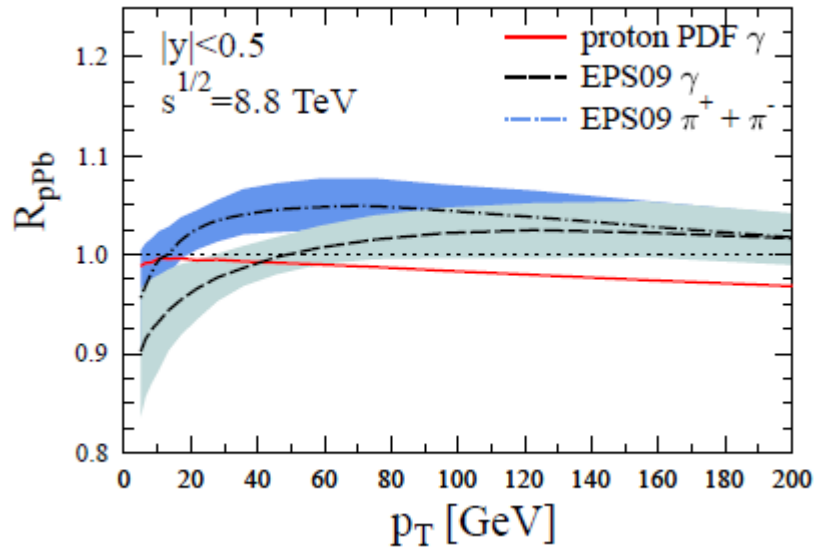
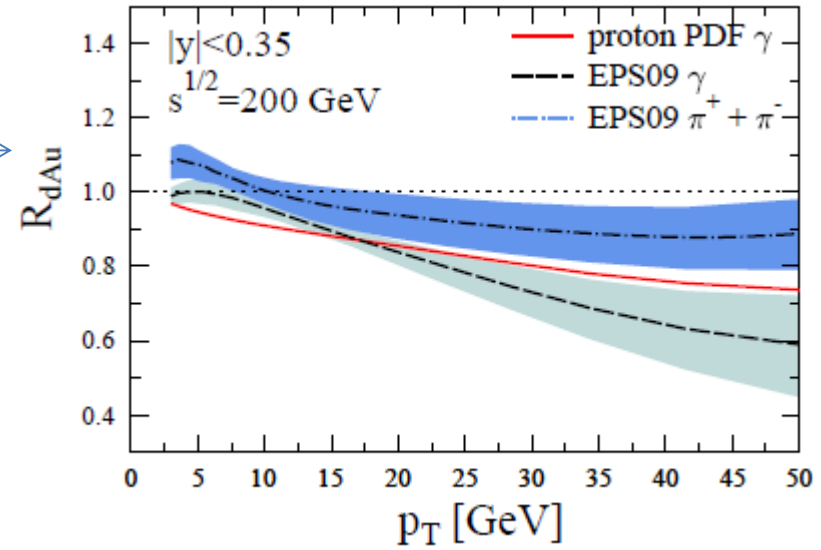
Strong synergies between RHIC programs!

Prompt Photon Predictions

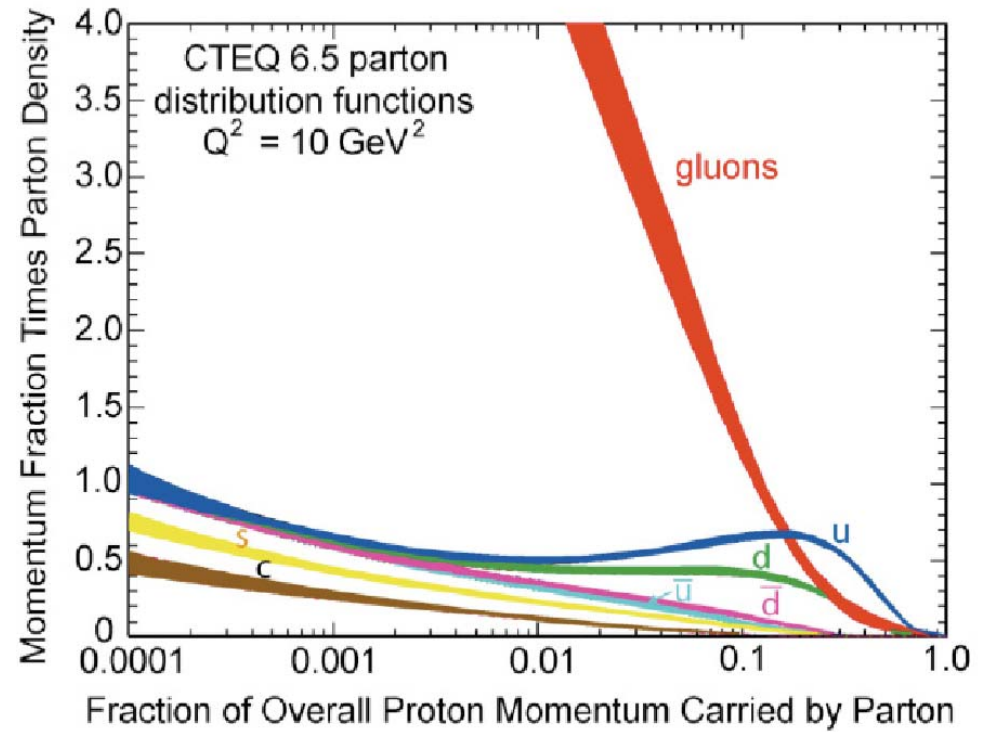
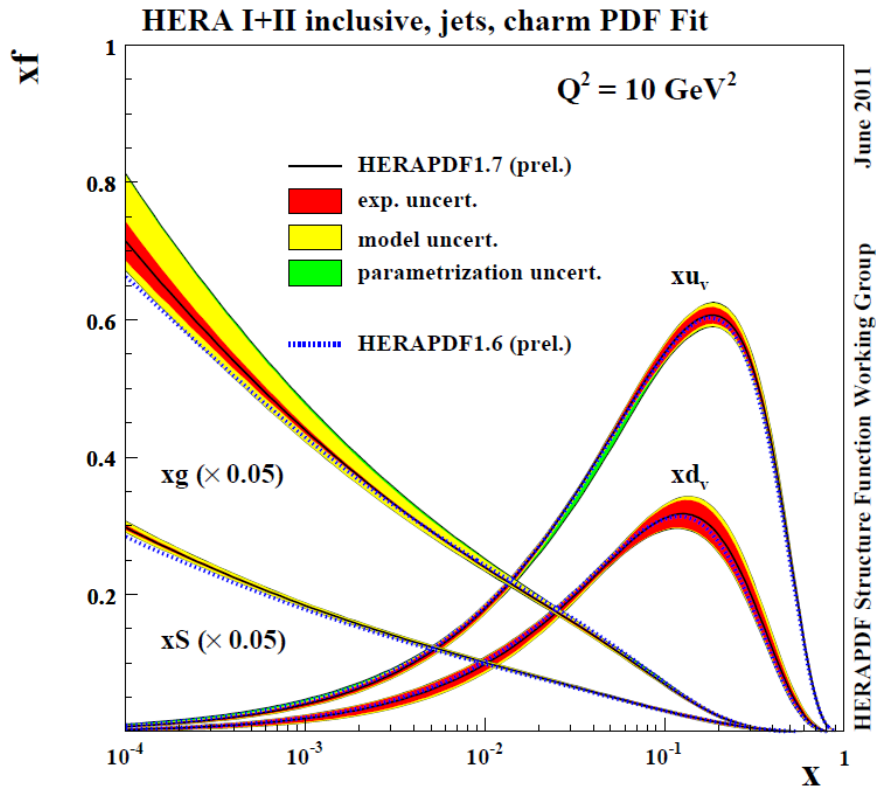
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RHIC →

LHC ↓



PDF's



nPDF Constraints from the LHC

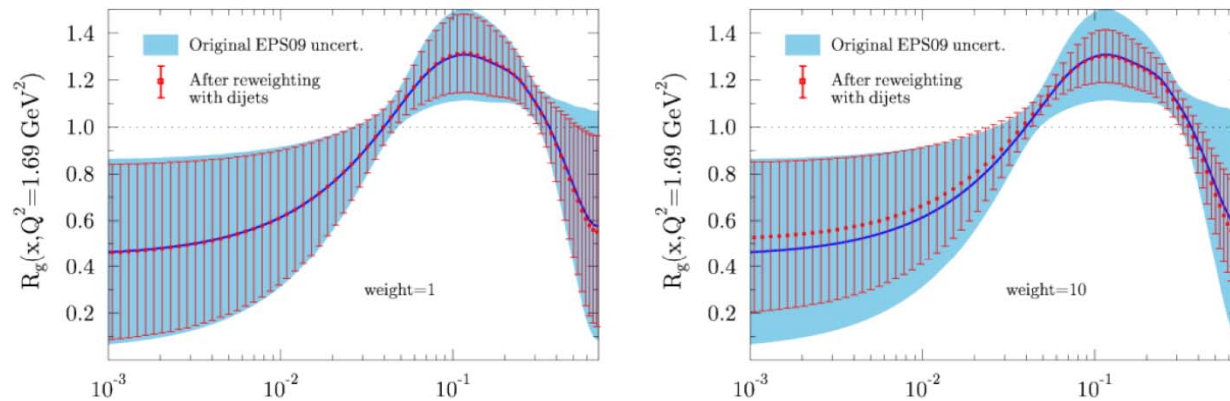
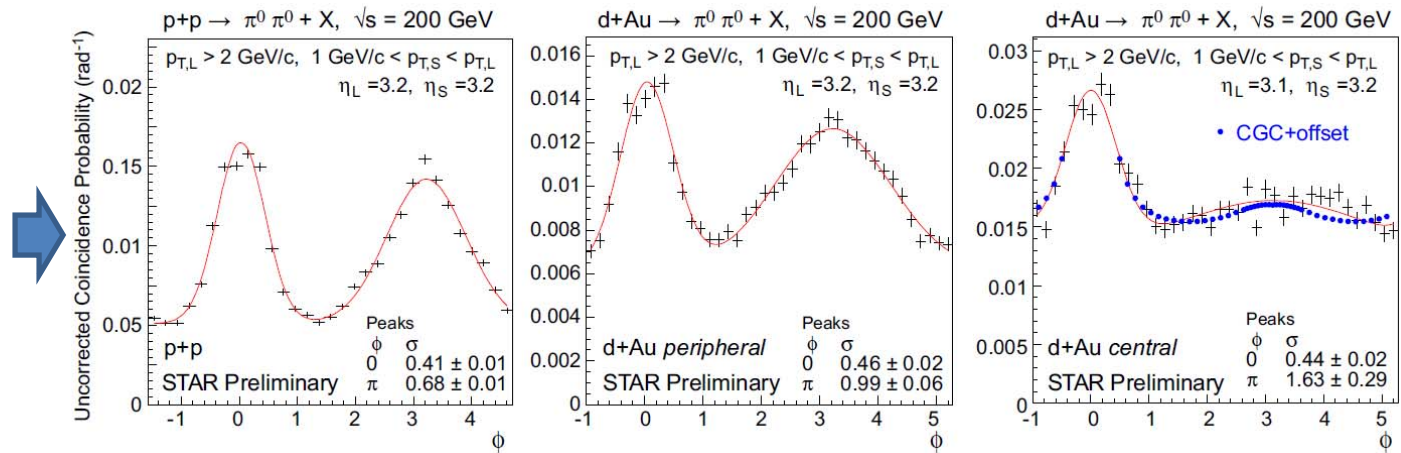


Figure 4. **Left-hand panel:** The EPS09 nuclear modification $R_G(x, Q^2 = 1.69 \text{ GeV}^2)$ before and after the reweighting with CMS p+Pb dijet data. **Right-hand panel:** As the left-hand panel but giving the dijet data an extra weight of 10.

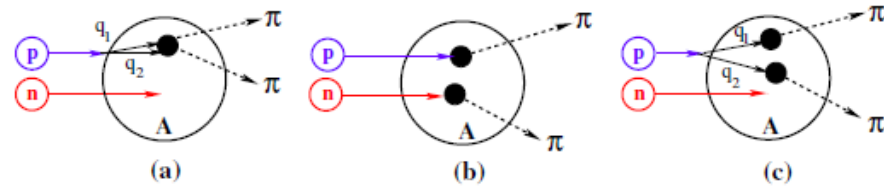
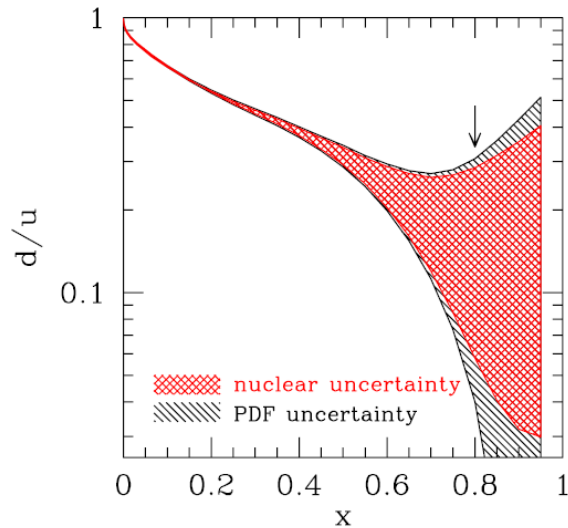
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Why p+A instead of d+A?

Multi-parton interactions can contribute to the suppression of the away-side correlation strength.



Phys. Rev. D 84 014008 (2011)



Forward rapidity corresponds to *high-x* in the projectile nucleon (d or p). Nuclear corrections at high-x are large for the deuteron, which may necessitate d+p running for proper comparison.

...and you can't polarize the deuteron at RHIC...