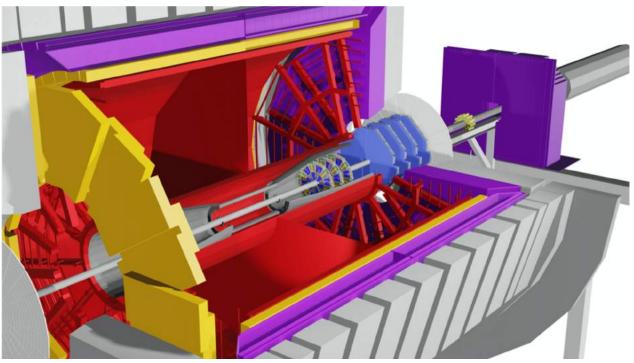


The STAR Forward Upgrade An Overview



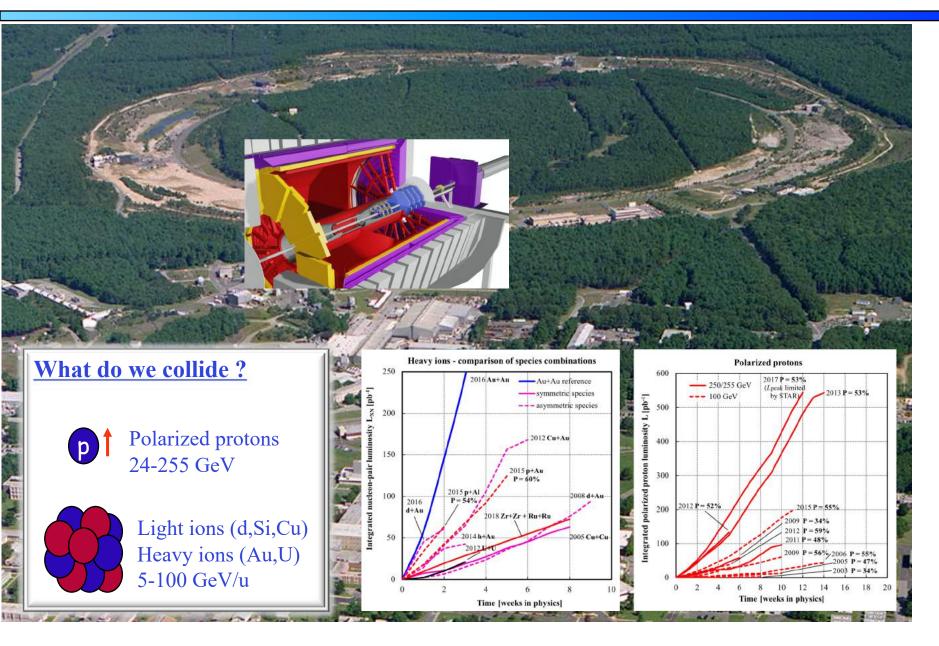
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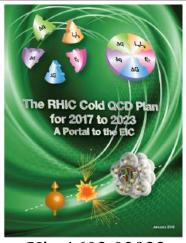


RHIC and STAR





RHIC Cold QCD plan and fSTAR



2016 RHIC Cold QCD plan identified measurements in p+p and p+A physics in years preceding the EIC focusing on:

- Structure description of QCD bound states in terms of quarks and gluons
- Hadronization process by which quarks and gluons forms bound states
- Interactions involving hadrons effects due to color flow in different scattering processes.

Runs 22, 23, 24 at RHIC (Last pp run was in 2017, EIC 2031).

Key words: QCD, Universality, Factorization and Evolution.

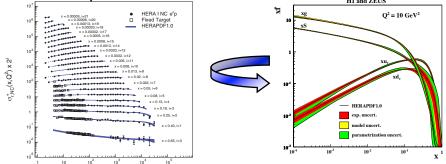
Instrumentation at forward region in addition to midrapidity capabilities.

arXiv:1602.03922

Proton PDF q Hard Scattering Process Hadronization

Universality

Example: Measure PDFs at HERA at $\int s=0.3$ TeV:



Predict pp measurements at $\sqrt{s}=0.2$, 1.96 & 7 TeV

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(un)polarized cross section ~

 $PDF \otimes hard$ -scattering \otimes Hadronization

hard-scattering: calculable in QCD

PDFs and Hadronization: need to be determined experimentaly



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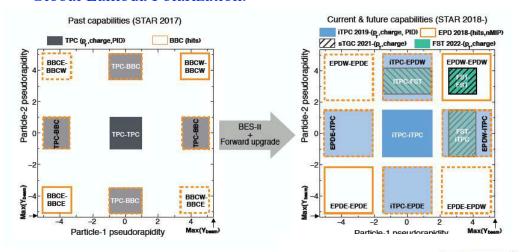
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p, (GeV)

STAR Hot QCD plan and fSTAR

Hot QCD Topics

- Longitudinal structure of initial state in HIC <- luck of experimental constrains for modeling
- Temperature-dependent transport of the matter in HIC.
- Global Lambda Polarization.

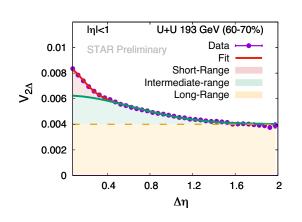


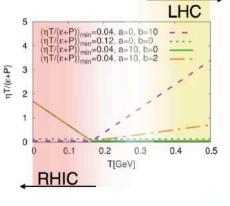
BES-II and STAR forward upgrades significantly improved detection capabilities to address these questions.

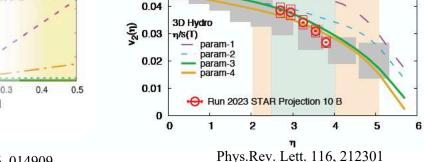
EPD

FTS

PHOBOS Au+Au 200 GeV (0-40%)







0.06

0.05

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Forward-rapidity 2.8<η<4.2

A+A

Beam:

Full Energy AuAu (2023/25)

Physics Topics:

- Temperature dependence of viscosity through flow harmonics up to η~4
- Longitudinal decorrelation up to η~4
- Global Lambda Polarization
 - → strong rapidity dependence

$\mathbf{p}^{\uparrow}+\mathbf{p}^{\uparrow}$ & $\mathbf{p}^{\uparrow}+\mathbf{A}$

Beam:

500 GeV: p+p

200 GeV: p+p and p+A

Physics Topics:

pp:

- TMD measurements at high x
 - o transversity → tensor charge
 - o Sivers through DY, direct γ and tagged jets

pA:

- Gluon PDFs for nuclei
- R_{pA} for direct photons & DY, and hadrons
- Test of Saturation predictions through di-hadrons, γ-Jets, di-jets
- → all measurement are critical to the scientific success of EIC to test universality and factorization

Observables:

- inclusive and di-jets
- hadrons in jets
- Lambda's
- correlations mid-forward & forwardforward rapidity

Requirements from Physics:

- □ good e/h separation
- \square hadrons, photon, π^0 identification

Detector	pp and pA	AA
ECal	~10%/√E	~20%/√E
HCal	~50%/√E+10%	
Tracking	charge separation	0.2 <p<sub>T<2 GeV/c</p<sub>
	photon suppression	with 20-30% 1/p _T

FY2022: 500 GeV polarized pp run

All other data taking in parallel to sPHENIX data taking campaign: AA, pA, pp

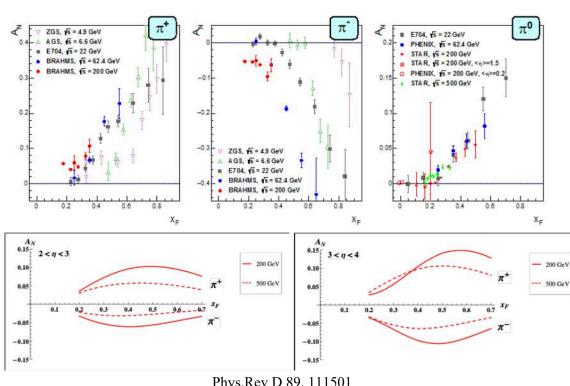


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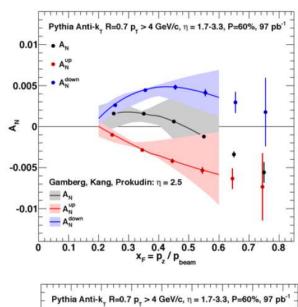
fSTAR and polarized $p^{\uparrow}p^{\uparrow}/p^{\uparrow}A$

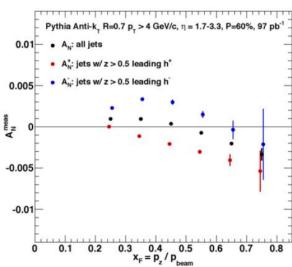
Understanding the proton in 3d: spatial and momentum critical to fully realize the scientific promise of the EIC different complementary probes are critical to test universality forward upgrade \rightarrow access to low and high x varying $\sqrt{s} \rightarrow \text{Test Evolution}$



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Inclusive A_N at forward rapidities for: direct photons, neutral pions and charge hadrons



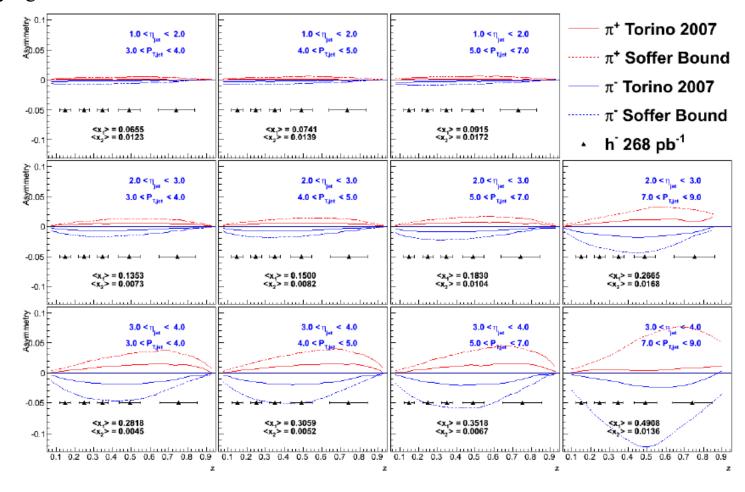


Sivers through tagged jets

Understanding the proton in 3d: spatial and momentum critical to fully realize the scientific promise of the EIC different complementary probes are critical to test universality forward upgrade → access to low and high x varying √s → Test Evolution

Transversity x Collins through hadron in jet

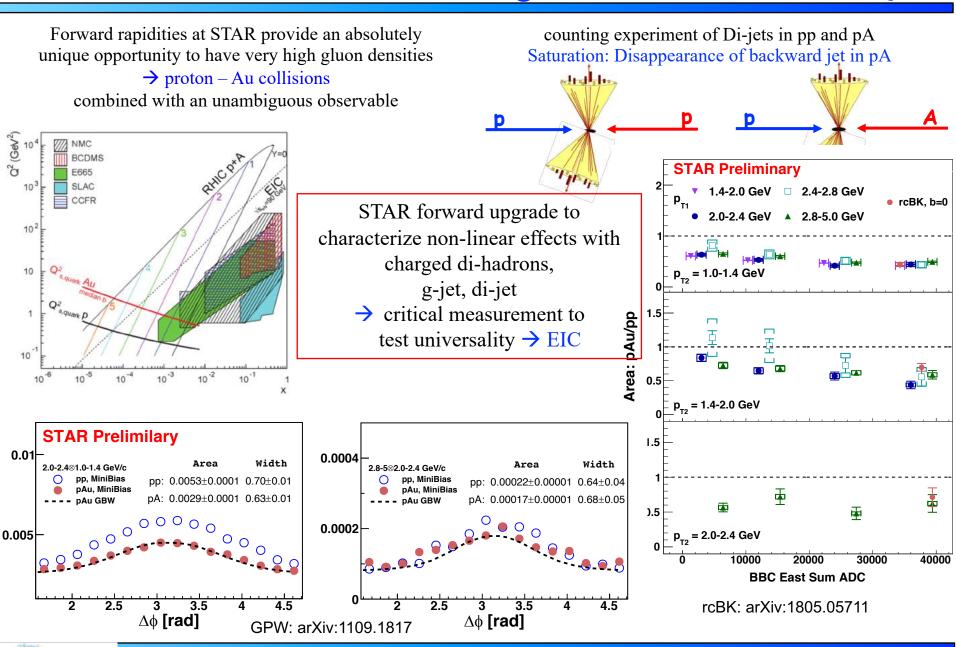
STAR will push sensitivity to higher (>0.3) and lower x (~10⁻³) at high Q² by reconstructing jets and charged hadrons (h+/h-) in the forward direction



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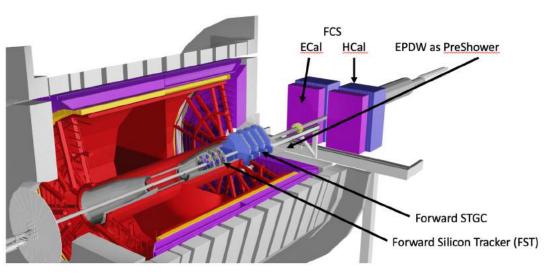
Probing Non-linear Effects in QCD



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fSTAR. New Detector Components.



FCS Location: 7 m from the IP.

ECal:

- Phenix SHASHLYK 1496 Ch.
- ☐ Lateral tower Size 5.5 x 5.5 cm2

HCal:

- ☐ Fe/Sc (20mm/3 mm) sandwich.
- □ 520 readout channels
- Lateral tower size $10 \times 10 \text{ cm}^2$, $\sim 4.5 \text{ l}$
 - in close collaboration with EIC R&D

Preshower

Existing EPD, with additional splitter

FST, 3 Silicon disks: at 146, 160, and 173 cm from IP Built on successful experience with STAR IST

- Single-sided double-metal mini-strip sensors
 - > Granularity: fine in f and coarse in R
 - > Si from Hamamatsu
- Frontend chips: APV25-S1 → IST all in hand
- Material budget: ~1.5% per disk
- Reuse
 - > IST DAQ system for FTS
 - ➤ IST cooling system

STGC, 4 sTGC disks: at 307, 325, 343 and 361 cm from IP

- location inside Magnet pole tip opening
 - > inhomogeneous magnetic field
- 4 quadrants double sided sTGC \rightarrow 1 layer
 - diagonal strips to break ambiguities in the sTGC
- Position resolution: ~200 mm
- Material budget: ~0.5% per layer,
- Readout: based on VMM-chips
 - → following ATLAS design

"Modest Upgrade": Minimize Technical, Cost and Schedule risks by using proven technologies and re-using STAR equipment. Extensive prototyping and testing started in 2017 during last RHIC 500 GeV pp run (synergy with EIC generic detector R&D)



FST, Status

Detector Module Prototype Completed / Projection

Silicon sensor: 08/2019
Flexible hybrid: 12/2019
Inner signal cable: 02/2020
Mechanical structure: 06/2020
Detector module assembly: 07/2020
Detector module testing: 08/2020

Detector Module Production

Flexible hybrid: 09/2020
 Silicon sensors: 02/2021

Mechanical structure (delivered 30/48 as of 3/2/2021): 03/2021
Detector module assembly (completed 8/48 as of 3/2/2021) 05/2021

DAQ System

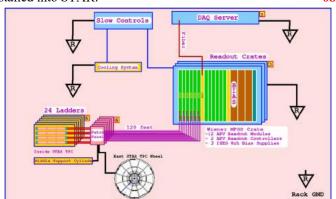
• T-boards and inner signal cables: 04/2021

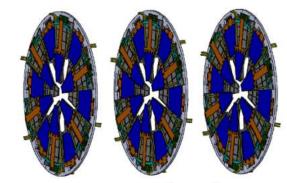
Mechanical Integration

Cooling system: 12/2020
 Support structure design and fabrication 02/2021

Installation

Installed onto supporting structure: 07/2021
 Installed into STAR: 08/2021





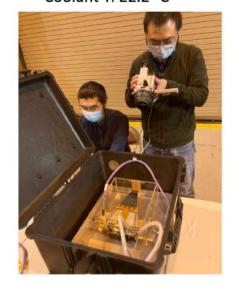
☐ Cooling test on FST-04

(Dec. 21, 2020@BNL)

Ambient T: 19.8 °C

Coolant T: 22.2 °C







Forward sTGC Tracker, Details

☐ Four layers, 16 (+4) modules (SDU)

Module R&D

Mass production

Quality and performance tests

□ 96 (+12) FEB + 16 (+2) ROD (USTC)

Electronics R&D

Mass production and test

□ DAQ system (BNL)

Electronics Integration

☐ Integrations (BNL)

Support structure

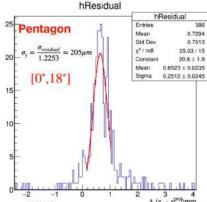
Gas system

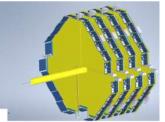
Installation, interlocks

□ Software (BNL+SDU)

Simulator

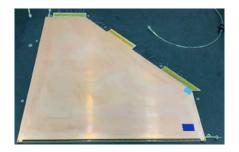
Cluster finder



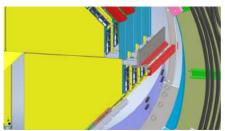














Forward Calorimeter System, fSTAR



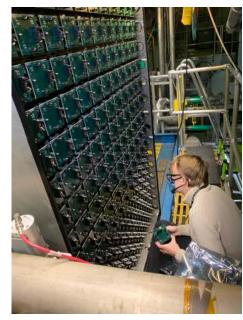
STAR Collaborators, Members of UC EIC Consortia Assembling FCS in Dec. 2020 at BNL

Forward Calorimeter System (FCS)

- ECal 1496 channels ~ 8 tons
- HCal 520 channels ~ 30 tons.
- SiPM Readout Bias ~ 67V
- New digitizers + Trigger FPGA = DEP boards



Large group of STAR collaborators actively engaged in all aspects of the project: ACU, BNL, UCLA, UCR, Indiana University CEEM, UKU, OSU, Rutgers U., Temple U., Texas A&M U., Valparaiso U.





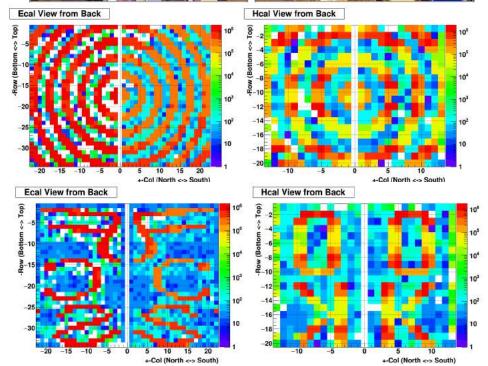


FCS Construction and Initial Commissioning Completed.





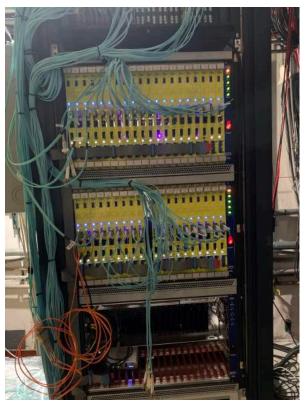
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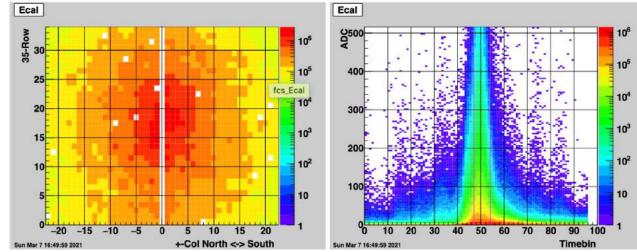
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FCS Readout and Commissioning, Run 21



- 32ch 12bit ADC
- 8 time bins per RHIC clock (~13.5nsec/timebin)
- Each DEP is connected to a DAQ computer with a fiber
- FPGA for trigger logic VHDL code under development at BNL
- Total of 48+18+12 = 78 DEP boards
- 3 DEP-IO boards for triggering
- Works great out of box! (First board were tested in 2017 ©)

From jEVP @ STAR physics run (AuAu 7.7GeV)





Organizational Structure STAR Forward Upgrade

Dedicated manpower with large expertise for each subsystem



VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY Integration











UNIVERSITY

and the STAR collaboration, which stands enthusiastically behind the upgrade!

Importance of STAR forward upgrade for EIC

STAR forward upgrade: 2.5 < h < 4

rapidity coverage the same as
 EIC hadron Arm
 → high-x EIC physics

HCal +SiPM readout same as EIC-fHCAL (joint STAR EIC R&D)

- same rapidity as EIC
 - background

small-strip Thin Gap Chambers (sTGC)

→ sTGC alternative technology to EIC GEM Trackers

Analysis:

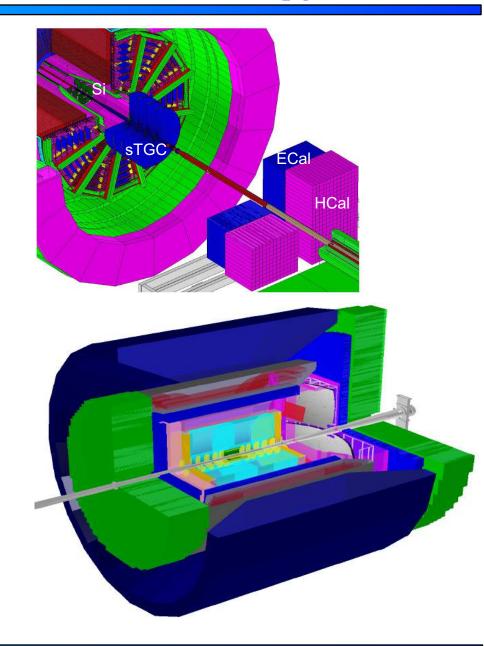
Learn how to reconstruct Jets close to beam rapidity

Jet solid angle $\sim R^2/\cosh^2(h)$.

so for fixed jet multiplicity, $dN/d\Omega$ grows like $cosh^2(h)$

- ➤ 15 times larger at h=2, 100 times larger at h=3
- \rightarrow what are the effects of underlying event ep & eA and \sqrt{s}

Training of young scientific generation: 20+ undergrads working > 2019/06



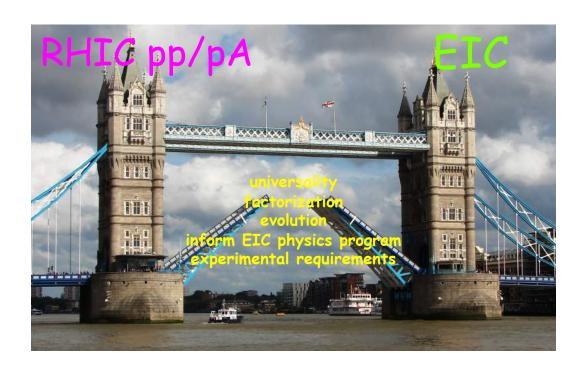


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Importance of STAR forward upgrade for EIC

Unique RHIC forward and midrapidity pp/pA program addressing several fundamental questions in QCD

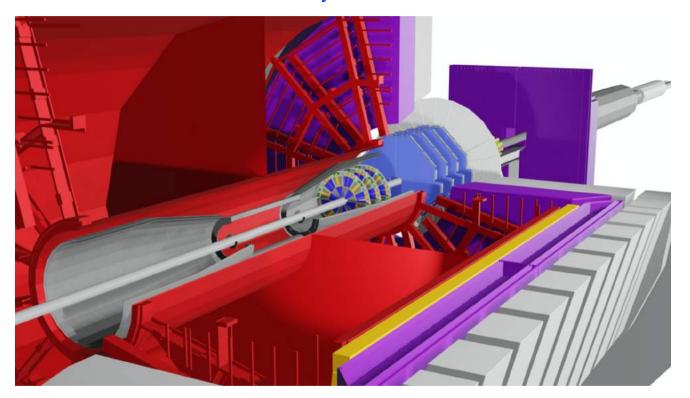
- essential to the mission of the RHIC physics program
- pp/pA program essential to fully realize the scientific promise of the EIC
 - inform the physics program
 - > quantify experimental requirements
- □ Recent RHIC pp/pA result triggered a lot of new theory work
 - dedicated workshops on the RHIC pp/pA program





Beautiful STAR detector pretty soon will be even better!

- Enthusiastic STAR collaboration working hard to complete forward upgrade.
- > FCS is already taking data/commissioning trigger at the moment.
- ➤ Silicon and sTGC installation and full system checks on schedule.



fSTAR will be important addition to realize RHIC Cold QCD and STAR Hot QCD plans with data taking during next four years.

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