

LANL Nuclear Physics at RHIC & E906

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Quark-gluon Plasma (QGP) Physics:

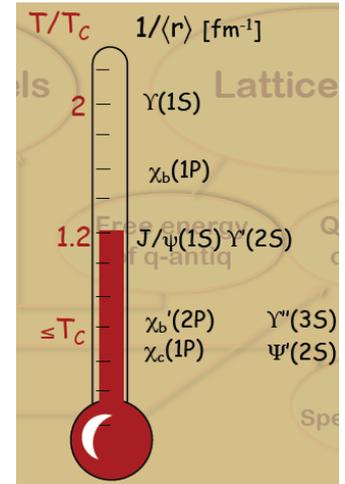
- Quarkonia screening
- Muon arm performance improvements
- Heavy-quarks

Cold Nuclear Matter (CNM) Physics:

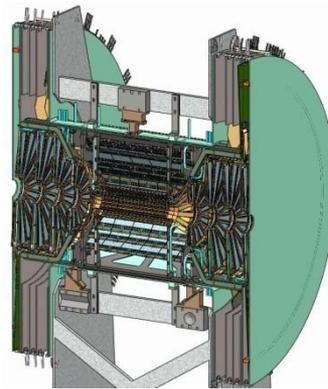
- gluon saturation & energy loss - solving the J/ψ puzzle

New physics reach with the FVTX

Quarkonia screening in QGP

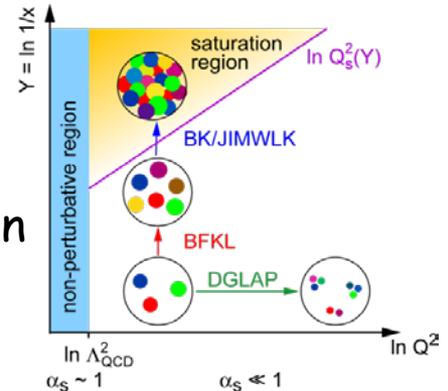


PHENIX Muon Tracker



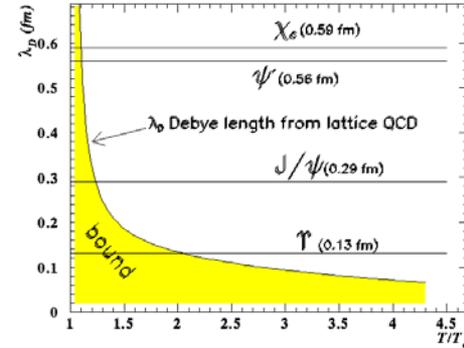
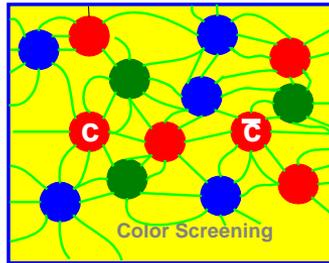
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gluon saturation

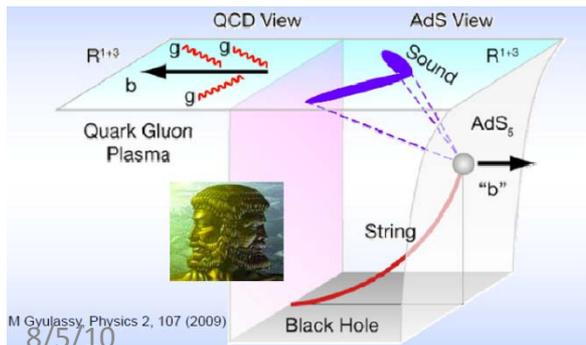


Fundamental QGP Physics Questions

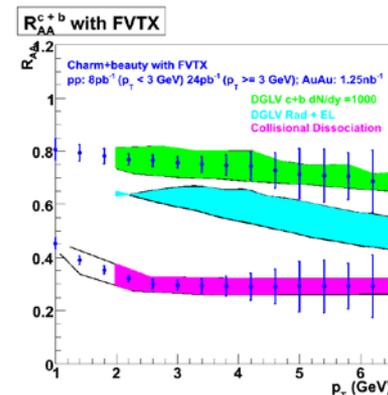
Screening in QGP: NSAC Milestone: DM5 - "Measure the energy and system size dependence of J/ψ production over the range of ions and energies available at RHIC."



Heavy-quark dE/dx in QGP: NSAC Milestone: DM12 - "Measure production rates, high p_T spectra, and correlations in heavy-ion collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV for identified hadrons with heavy flavor valence quarks to constrain the mechanism for parton energy loss in the quark-gluon plasma."



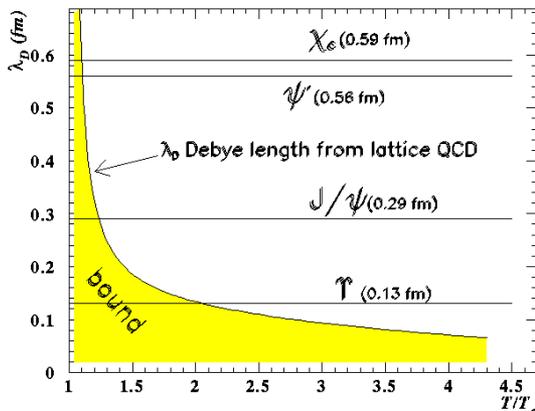
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Quarkonia & Deconfinement

For the hot-dense medium (QGP) created in A+A collisions at RHIC:

- Large quark energy loss in the medium implies high densities
- Flow scales with number of quarks
- Is there deconfinement? → look for Quarkonia screening



Debye screening predicted to destroy J/ψ 's in a QGP with other states "melting" at different temperatures due to different sizes or binding energies.

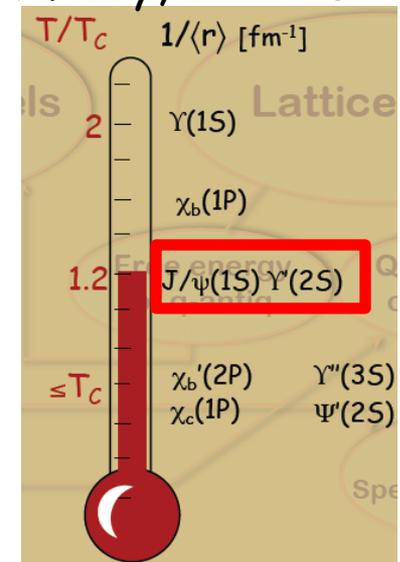
RHIC: $T/T_c \sim 1.9$ or higher

Different lattice calculations do not agree on whether the J/ψ is screened or not - **measurements will have to tell!**

Satz, hep-ph/0512217

state	$J/\psi(1S)$	$\chi_c(1P)$	$\psi'(2S)$	$\Upsilon(1S)$	$\chi_b(1P)$	$\Upsilon(2S)$	$\chi_b(2P)$	$\Upsilon(3S)$
T_d/T_c	2.10	1.16	1.12	> 4.0	1.76	1.60	1.19	1.17

Mocsy, WWND08



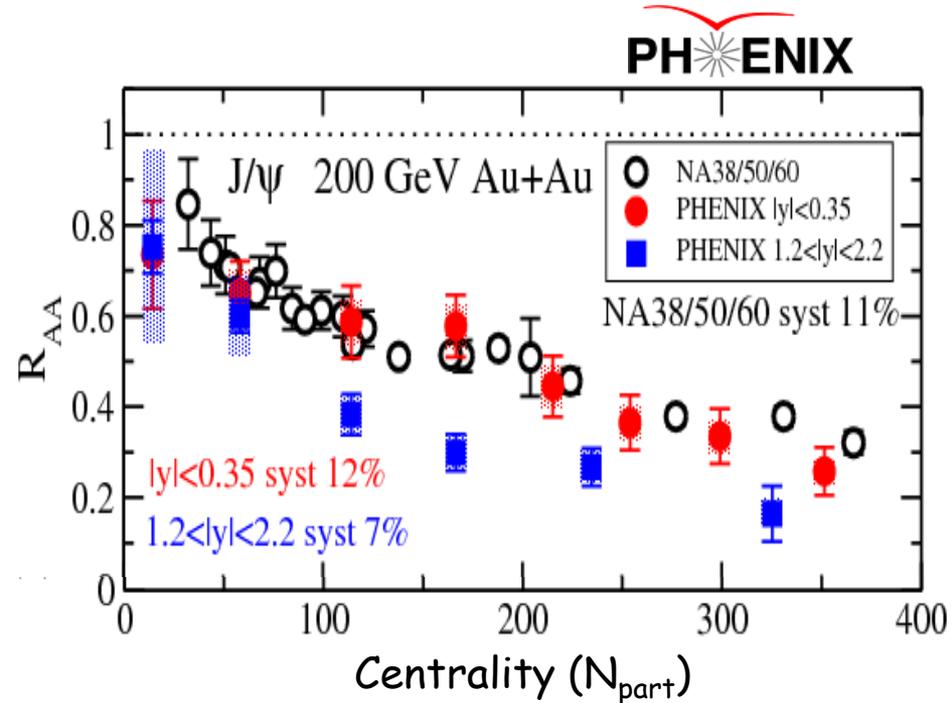
PHENIX A+A Data and Features

PHENIX Au+Au data shows suppression at **mid-rapidity** about the same as seen at the SPS at lower energy

- but stronger suppression at **forward rapidity**

Several scenarios may contribute:

- **Cold nuclear matter (CNM) effects**
 - important, need better constraint
- **Sequential suppression**
 - QGP screening only of χ_c & ψ' -removing their feed-down contribution to J/ ψ at both SPS & RHIC
- **Regeneration models**
 - give enhancement that compensates for screening



from QM06 J/ ψ MJL Plenary talk

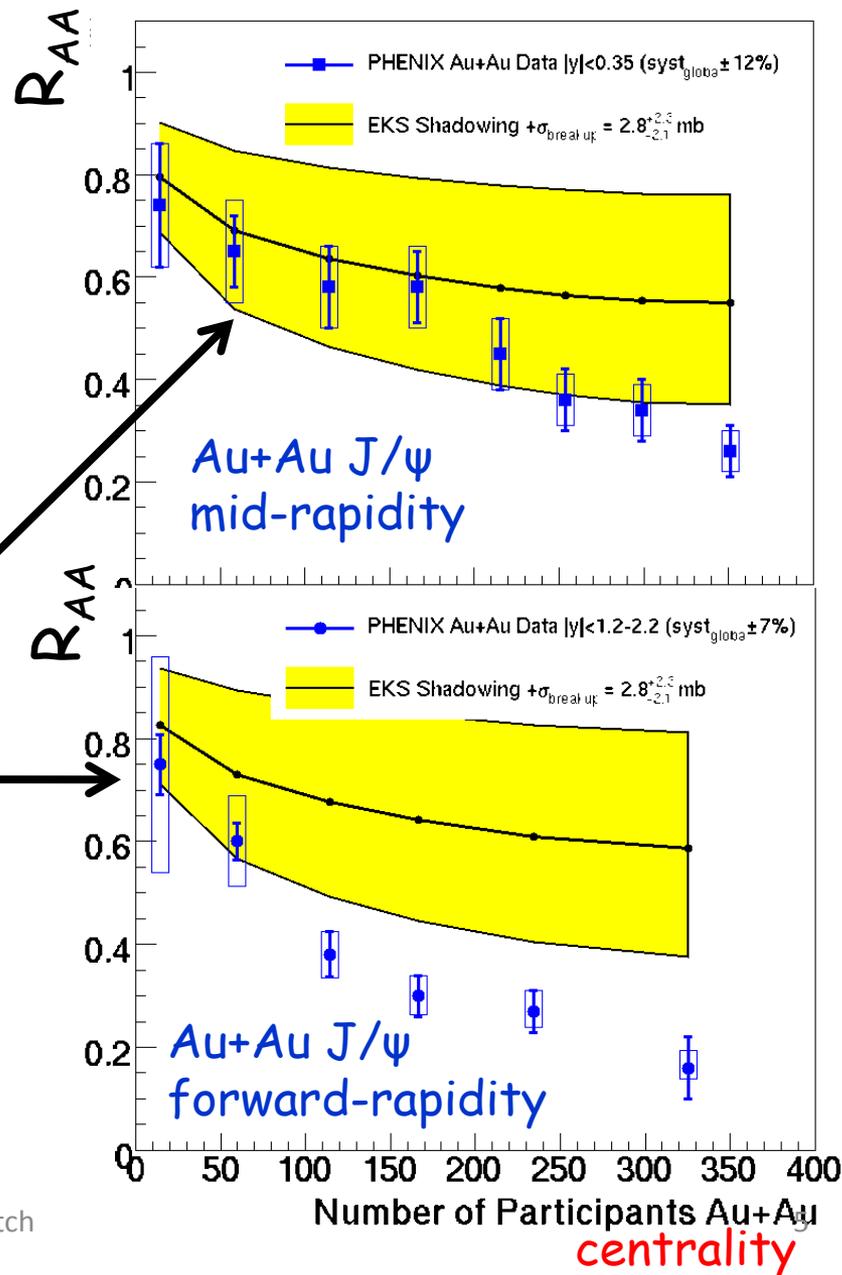
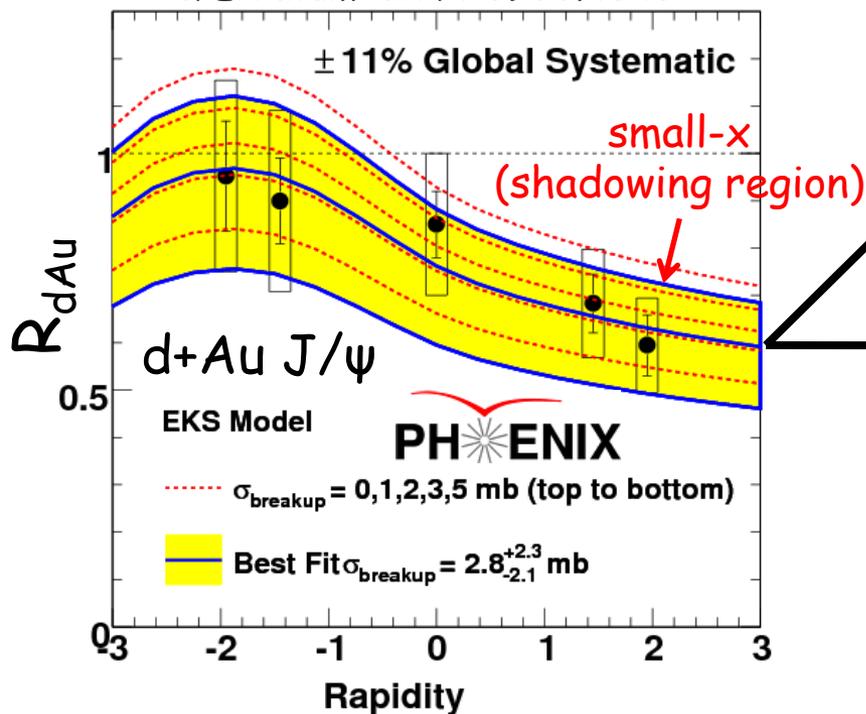
CNM J/ψ Constraints from d+Au on A+A data

EKS shadowing + dissociation
from fits to d+Au data (using
R. Vogt theoretical calcs.)

MJL, Colorado, ...

PRC 77, 024912(2008)

& Erratum: arXiv:0903.4845

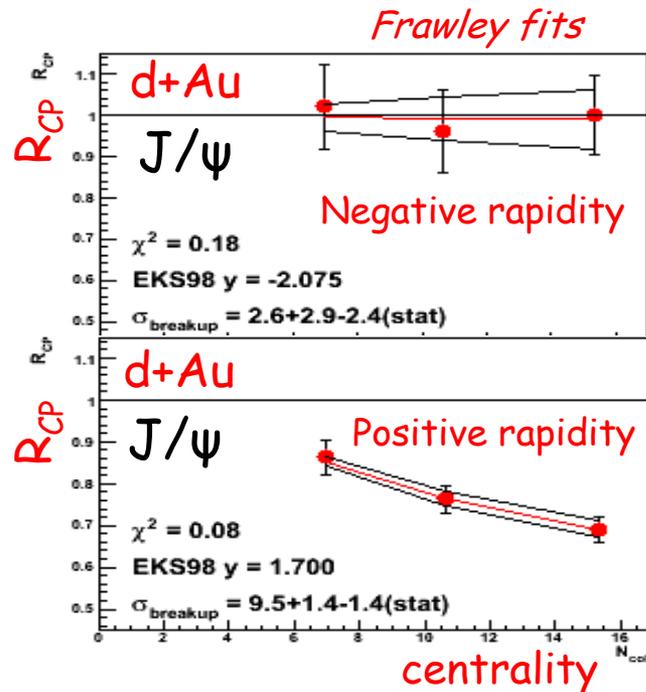
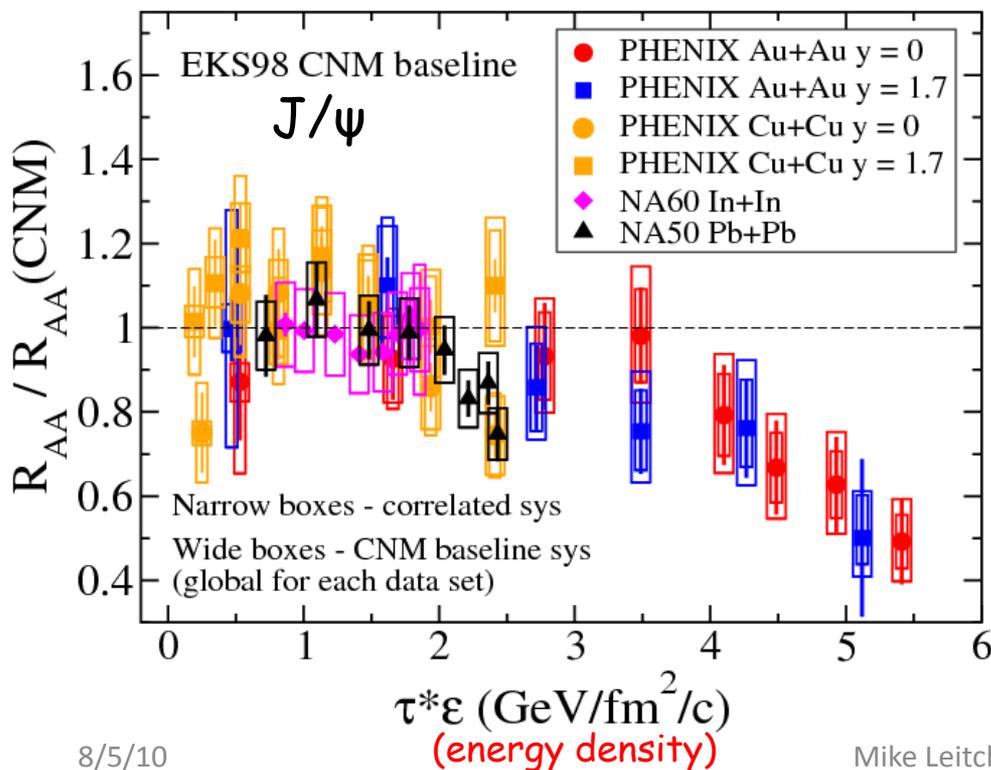


Anomalous Suppression (RHIC & SPS) of J/ψ in A+A Collisions after dividing out d(p)+A baselines

Fit d+Au to an *effective breakup cross-section* that varies with rapidity; predict and divide out CNM effects from Au+Au suppression

Plot by Leitch @ Seattle/INT Workshop - June 09

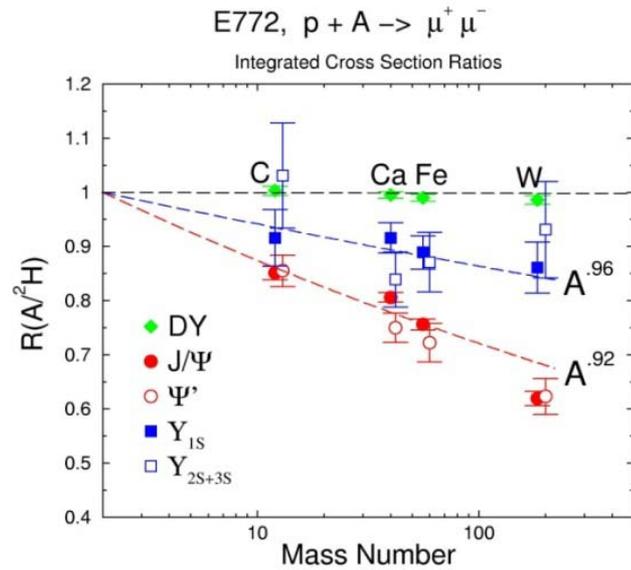
Not a PHENIX Result
Uses Preliminary PHENIX d+Au RCP (QM09)



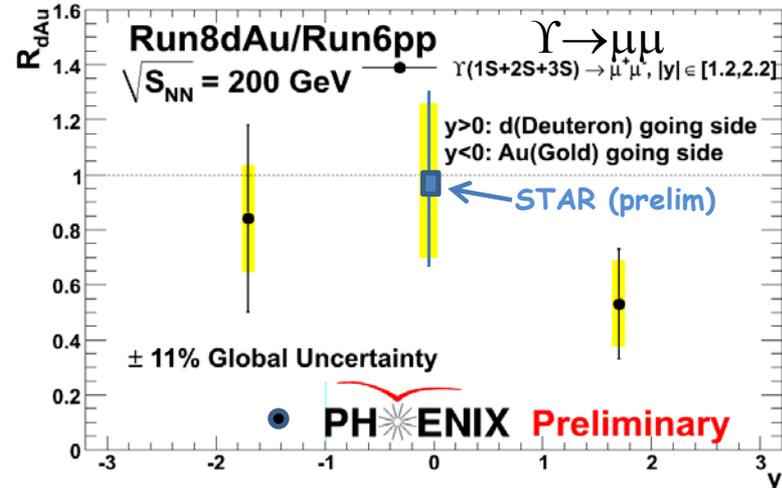
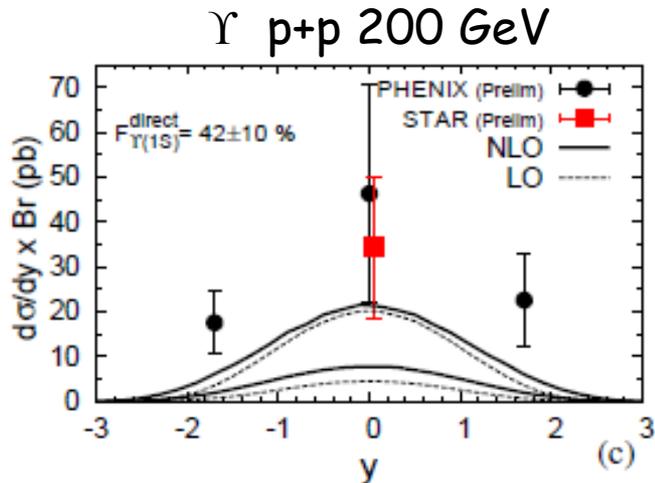
Caution - Many systematic uncertainties on relative (SPS vs RHIC) energy density scales

Adding Upsilon (1S+2S+3S)

- Our FNAL/E772 saw substantial suppression of Upsilon in p+A
- Beginning to get 1st Upsilon measurements at PHENIX
- d+Au forward rapidity suppression observed



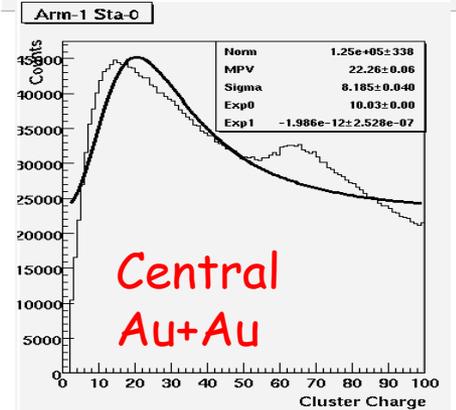
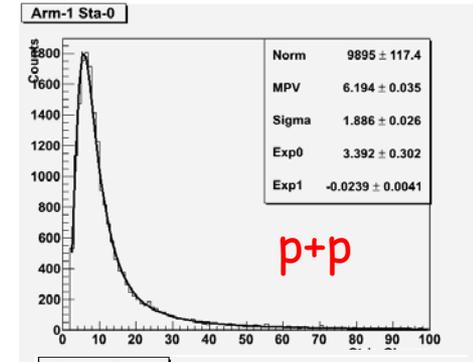
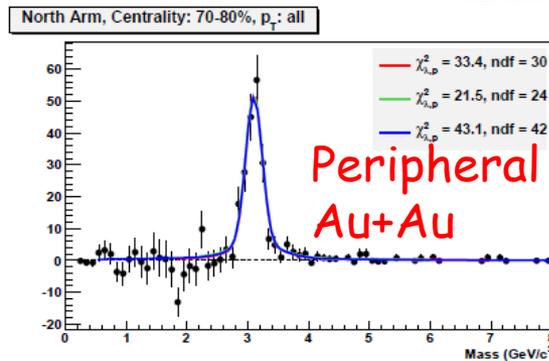
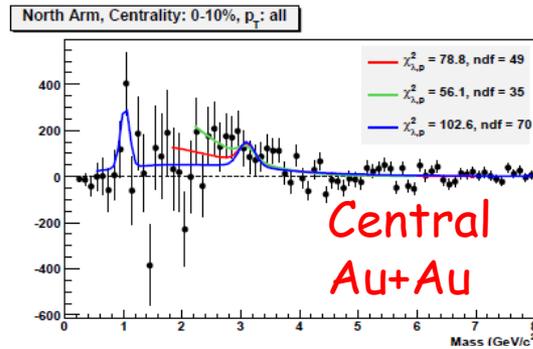
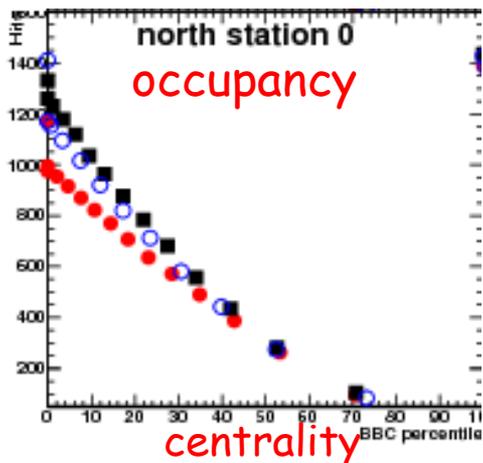
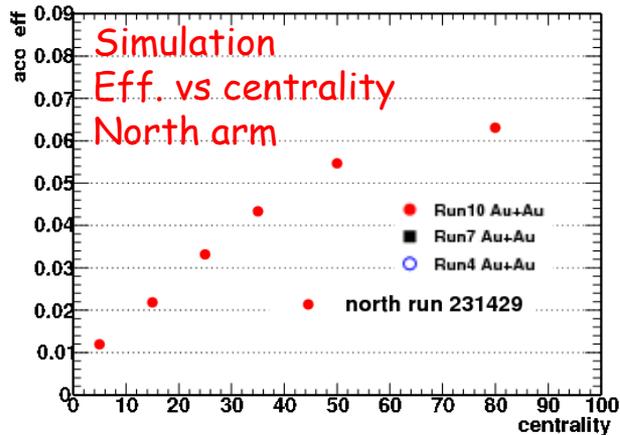
K. Lee (Korea U.), MJL, ...



Improving Muon Arm Performance for Central Au+Au Collisions

Central Au+Au collisions:

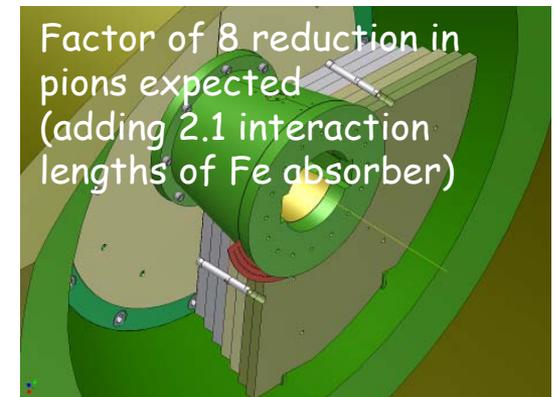
- efficiency low , occupancy high
- no J/ψ peak in North arm
- large pileup in cluster charge



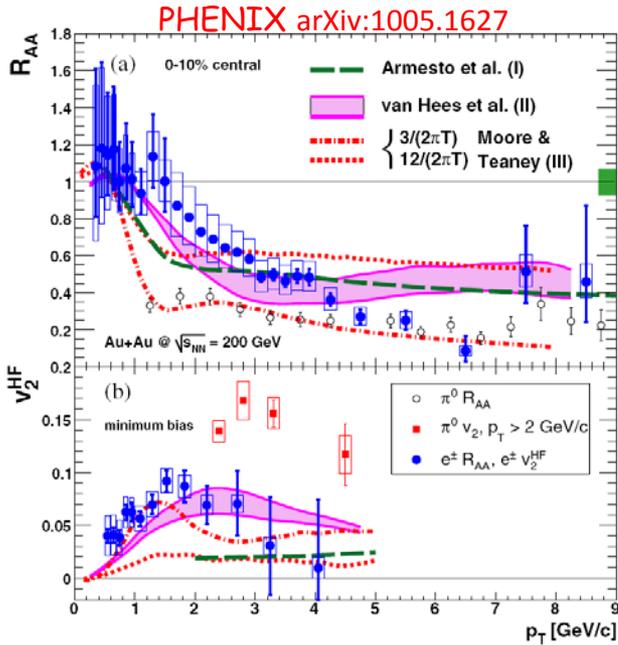
Improvements for Run11:

- addition of absorber
- low-level software improvements
- anode termination

Pereira, MJL, LANL, ...

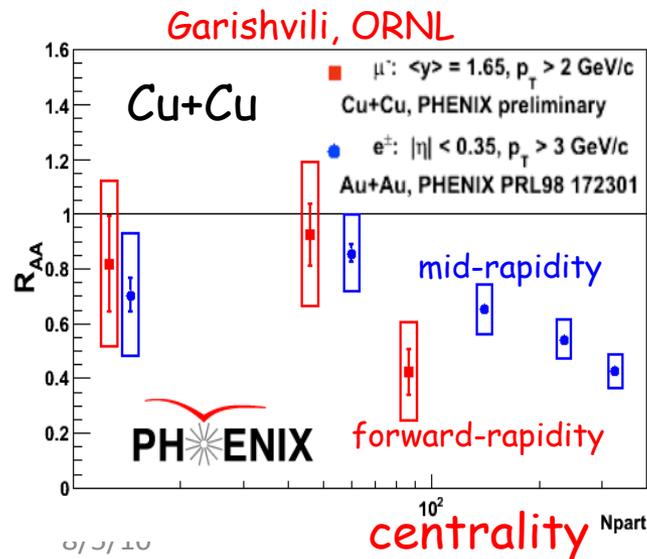


Energy loss & probing the properties of the QGP with heavy-quarks

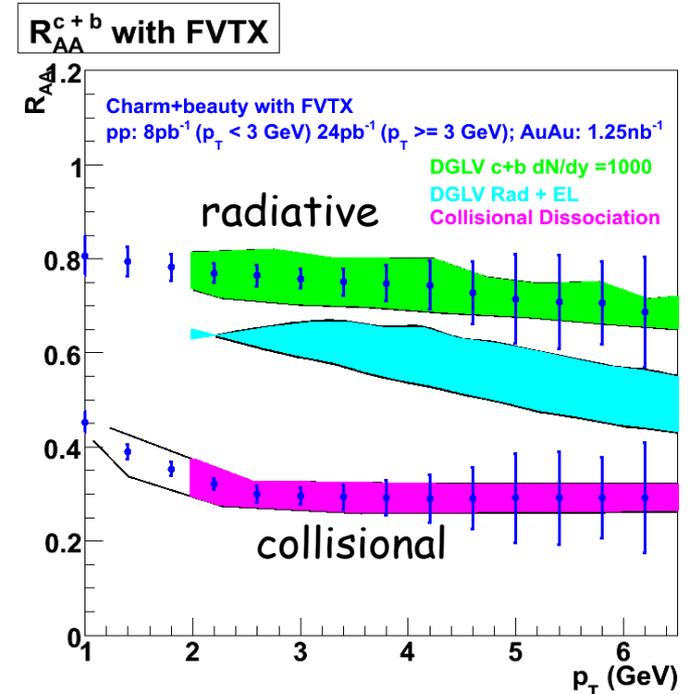


Mid-rapidity heavy-q's show suppression & flow - contrary to earlier expectations

Distinguishing radiative and collisional energy loss & measurement of flow with FVTX at forward rapidity



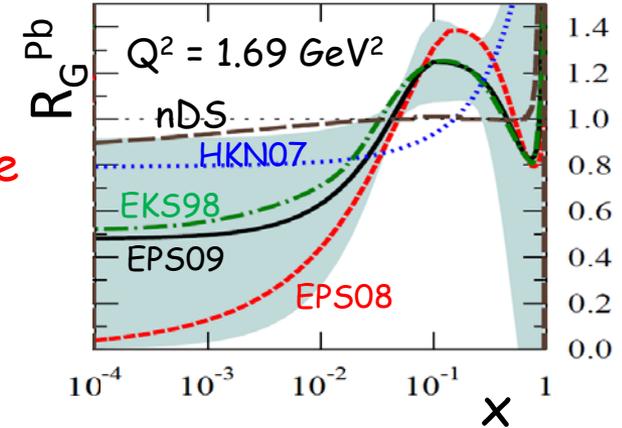
Forward rapidity heavy-q's show suppression in Cu+Cu



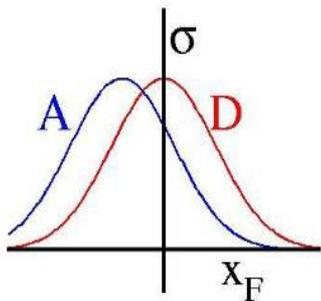
Fundamental Cold Nuclear Matter (CNM) Physics Questions

NSAC Milestone: DM8 - "Determine gluon densities at low x in cold nuclei via $p + Au$ or $d + Au$ collisions."

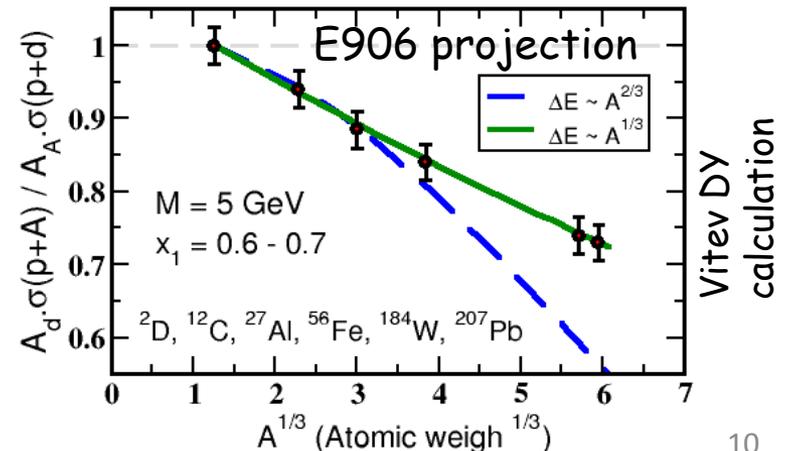
- Leading twist gluon shadowing
- Coherence models & higher-twist (HT) shadowing
- **Gluon Saturation:** at small- x , $2 \rightarrow 1$ diagrams become important and deplete the low- x region; amplified in a nucleus.



NSAC Milestone: DM12 - "...constrain the mechanism for parton energy loss in the quark-gluon plasma." And what about energy loss in cold nuclear matter?



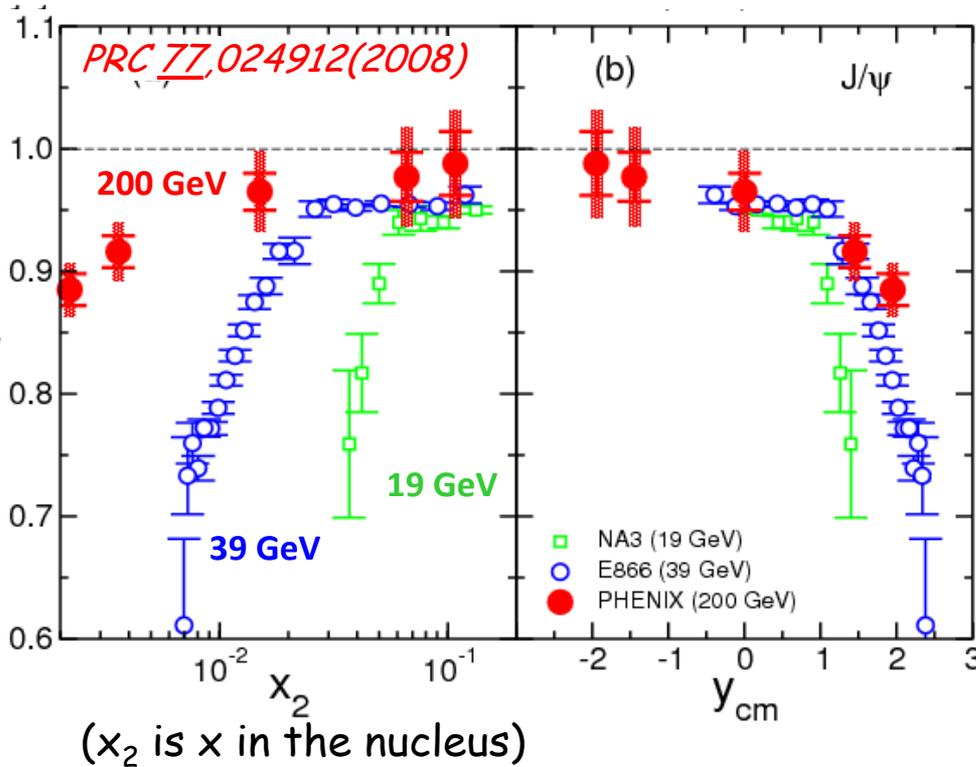
$\Delta E \sim L$ or L^2 ?
(collisional or radiative?)



CNM Physics - the J/ψ Puzzle

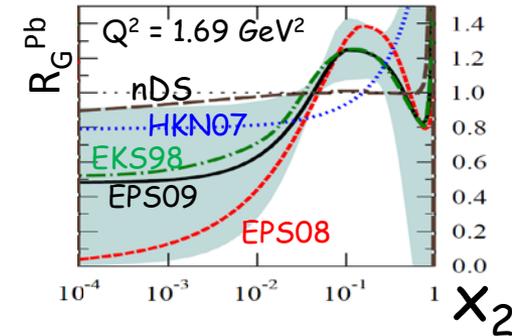
$$\sigma_{pA} = \sigma_{pp} A^\alpha$$

J/ψ α for different \sqrt{s} collisions
 E866 p+A & lower-energy NA3 at CERN



Scaling of E866 vs PHENIX better vs y_{cm}

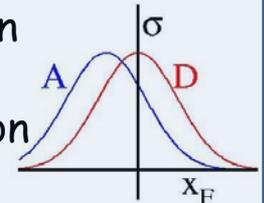
Suppression not universal vs x_2 as expected for shadowing



Closer to scaling with x_F or rapidity

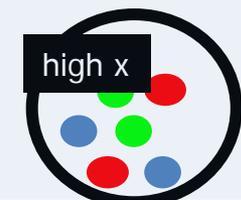
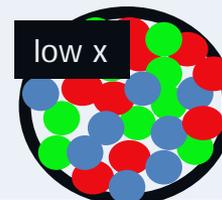
- initial-state gluon energy loss?

Energy loss of incident gluon shifts effective x_F and produces nuclear suppression which increases with x_F



- or gluon saturation?

Gluon saturation from non-linear gluon interactions for the high density at small x ; amplified in a nucleus.



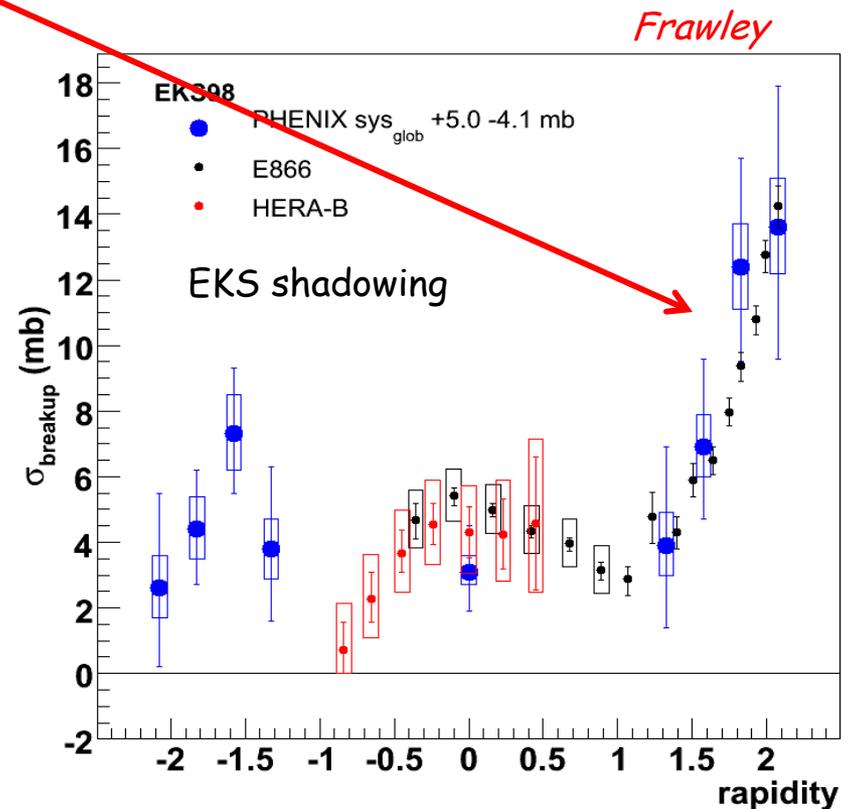
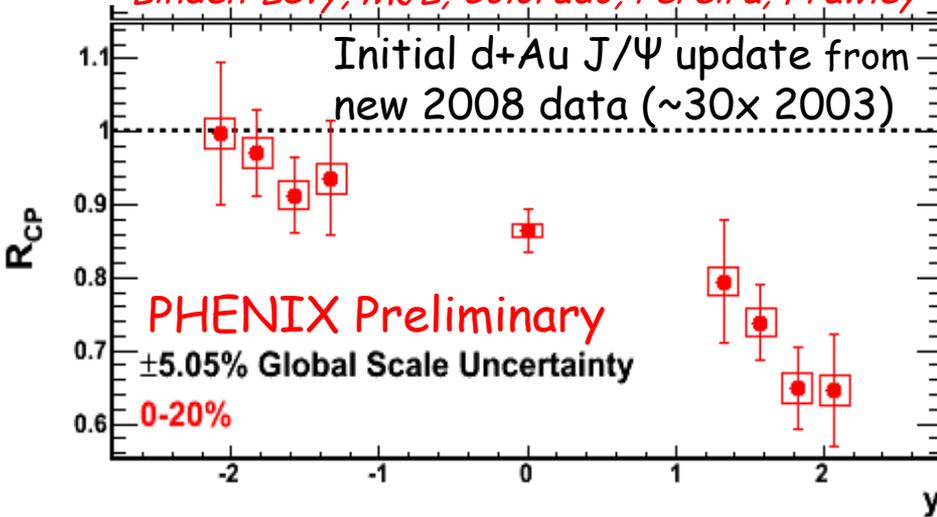
New CNM Constraints from d+Au on A+A data

New CNM fits using 2008 PHENIX d+Au Rcp - (Frawley, Vogt, MJL, others...)

- similar to before, use models with shadowing & breakup
- but allow **effective** breakup cross section to vary with rapidity to obtain good description of data
- large effective breakup cross section at large positive rapidity - probably indication of need to add initial-state dE/dx?

$$R_{CP}^{0-20\%} = \frac{N_{inv}^{0-20\%} / \langle N_{coll}^{0-20\%} \rangle}{N_{inv}^{60-88\%} / \langle N_{coll}^{60-88\%} \rangle}$$

Linden-Levy, MJL, Colorado, Pereira, Frawley

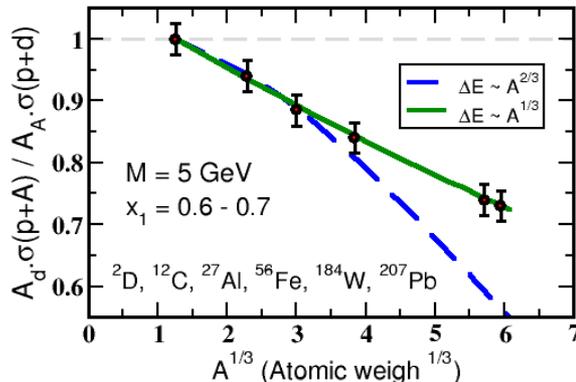
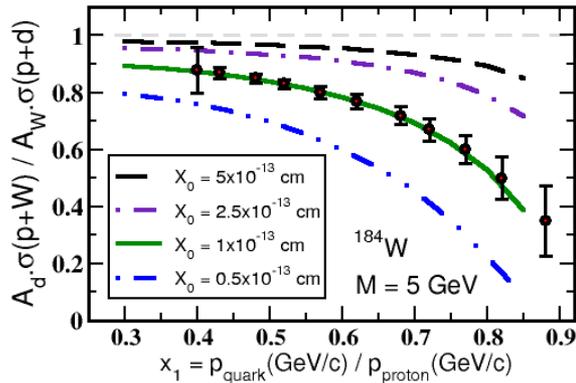
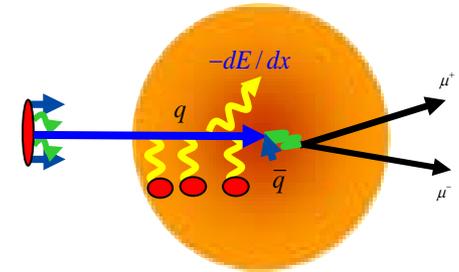


Constrain the Initial-state dE/dx FNAL E906 - Drell Yan

In E906 at 120 GeV, nuclear suppression in Drell-Yan should only be from dE/dx ($x_2 > 0.1$) (E866 at 800 GeV, could not unambiguously separate shadowing and dE/dx effects at low x)

E906 LANL LDRD - Liu, McGaughey, ...

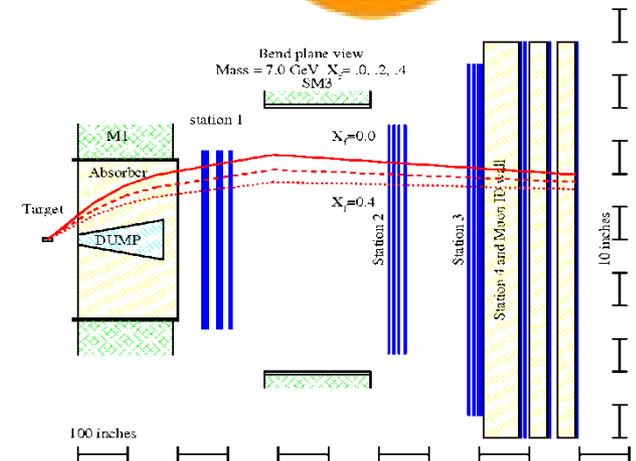
Drell-Yan



from Vitev

$$\frac{\Delta E}{E} \propto \frac{\mu^2 L^2 \ln E / Q_0}{\lambda_g E}$$

$$\frac{\Delta E}{E} \propto \frac{L}{\lambda_g} \ln \frac{E}{Q_0}$$



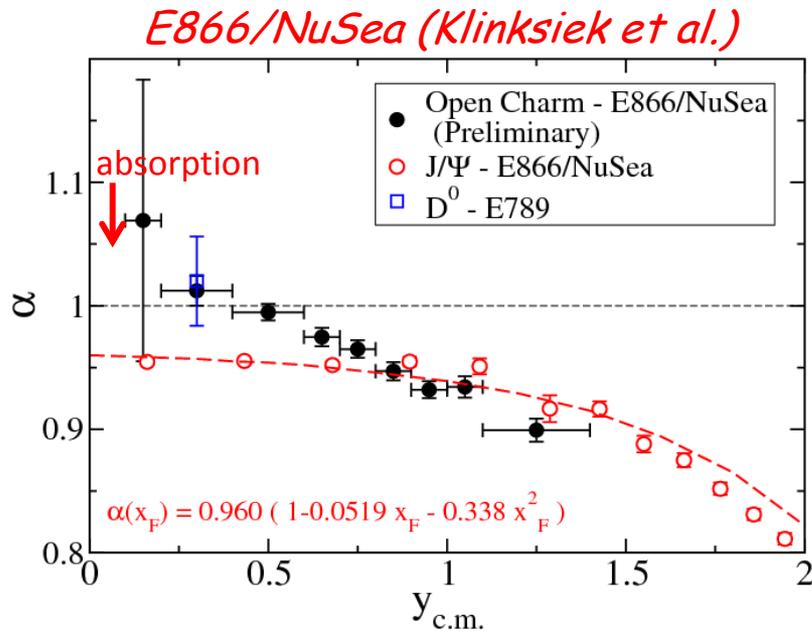
- Distinguish radiative from collisional (L^2 vs L) quark dE/dx
- then "extrapolate" with theory to energy loss of gluons for quarkonia production

Isolate initial and final-state effects Open-heavy flavor with Vertex Detectors

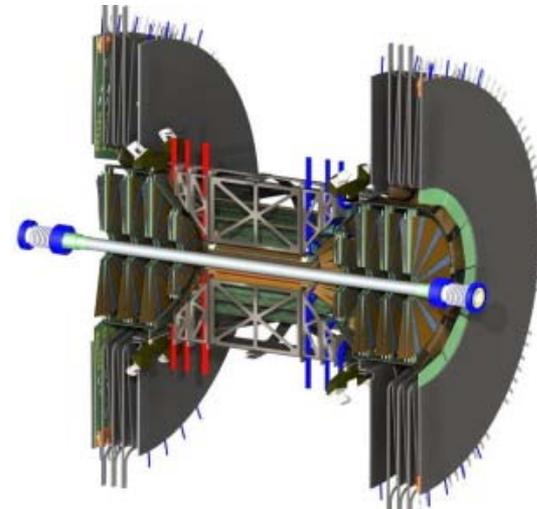
Forward open-charm p+A nuclear dependence (single- μ $p_T > 1$ GeV/c) - very similar to that of J/Ψ (E866/NuSea):

- implies that dominant effects are in the initial state
 - e.g. dE/dx, Cronin (since shadowing disfavored by lack of x_2 scaling)

Need to follow this example at RHIC in d+Au collisions

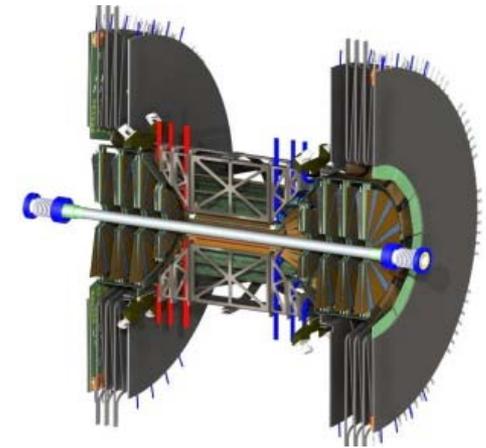


New c,b measurements with FVTX to isolate initial & final-state effects via comparisons with quarkonia

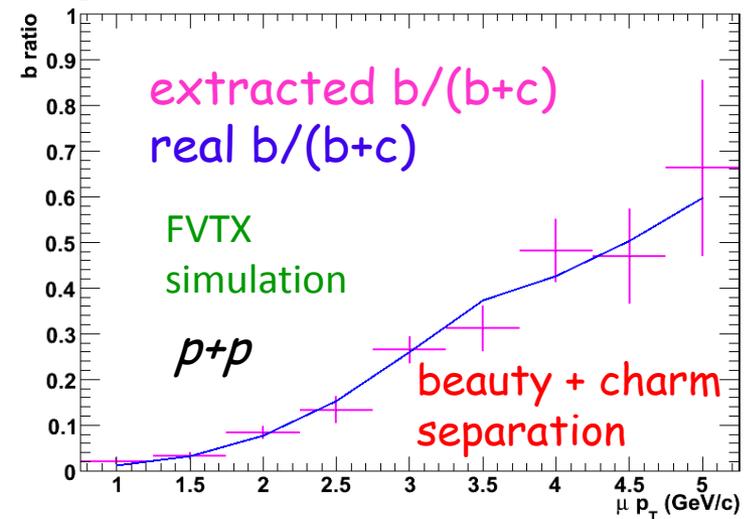
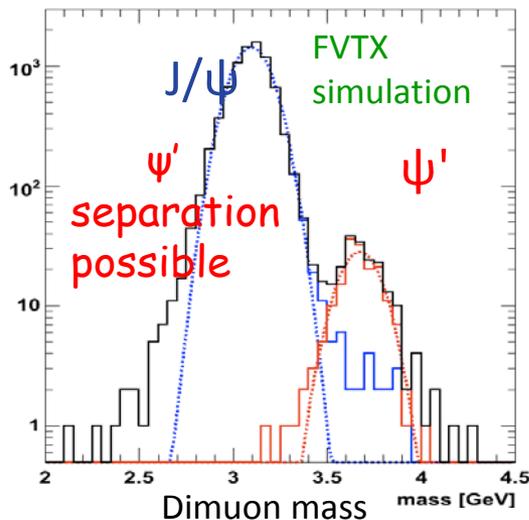


New Physics Reach with FVTX at PHENIX

- Direct identification of $D, B \rightarrow \mu + X$ and $B \rightarrow J/\psi \rightarrow$ energy loss and shadowing for D, B mesons
- Improved J/ψ and ψ' mass resolution \rightarrow enable use of ψ' as a probe
- Reduced backgrounds by rejection of π and $K \rightarrow$ enable Drell-Yan measurements
- Installation in summer of 2011



Simulations - Z. You, X. Wang, LANL, NMSU



Summary - LANL QGP and CNM Physics

QGP physics - quarkonia screening & heavy-quark energy loss

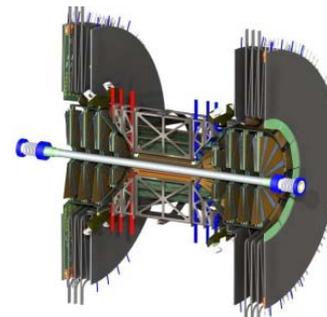
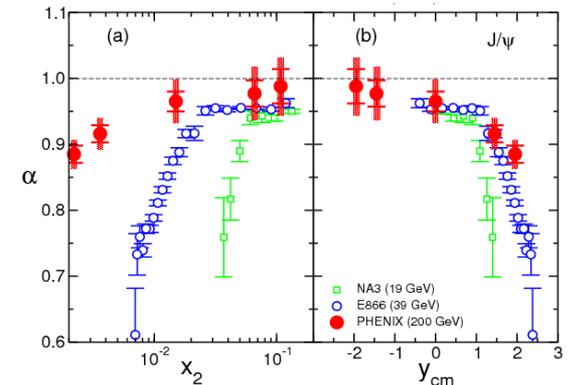
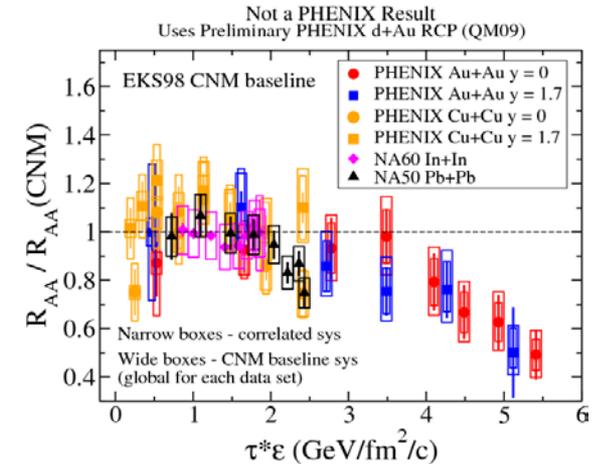
- need informed CNM baseline
- improve muon arm for central Au+Au
- add Upsilon and ψ'
- charm & beauty dE/dx in QGP with FVTX

CNM physics - gluon saturation & parton energy loss in nuclei

- solving the J/ψ puzzle with input from
 - gluon dE/dx - constrain with Drell-Yan (E906)
 - initial state - common with heavy-quark production

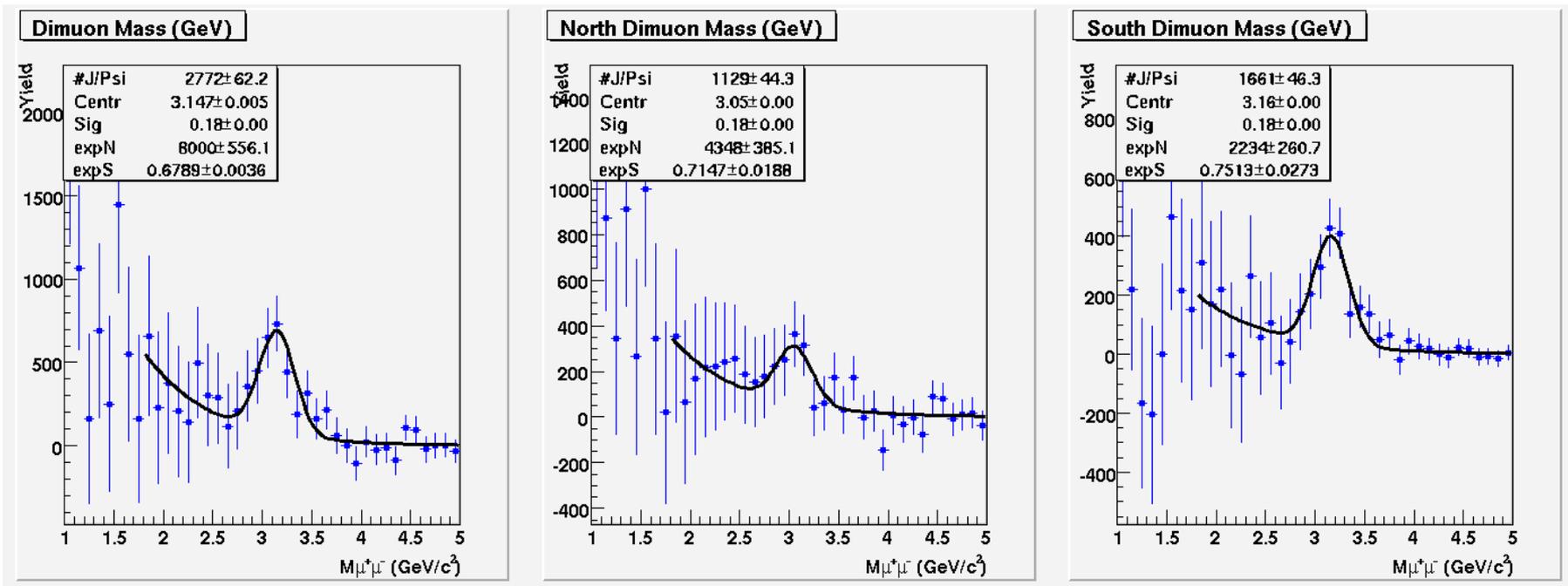
FVTX enables

- accurate open charm & beauty measurements
- isolation of ψ'
- pulling RHIC Drell-Yan out from beneath backgrounds



Backup Slides

J/ ψ in Muon Arms in Run10 @ 200 GeV



J/ ψ yield as expected

Analyzed Luminosity (for mass plots):

147.7 μb^{-1} gives 18.8 \pm 0.4 (stat) J/ ψ per μb^{-1}

Compared to Run7 Au+Au which had about 18.2 J/ ψ per μb^{-1}

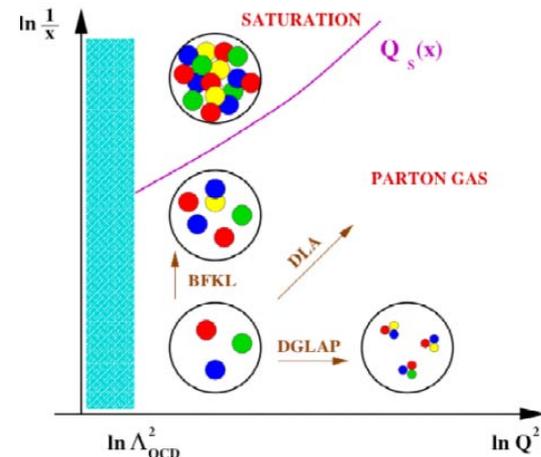
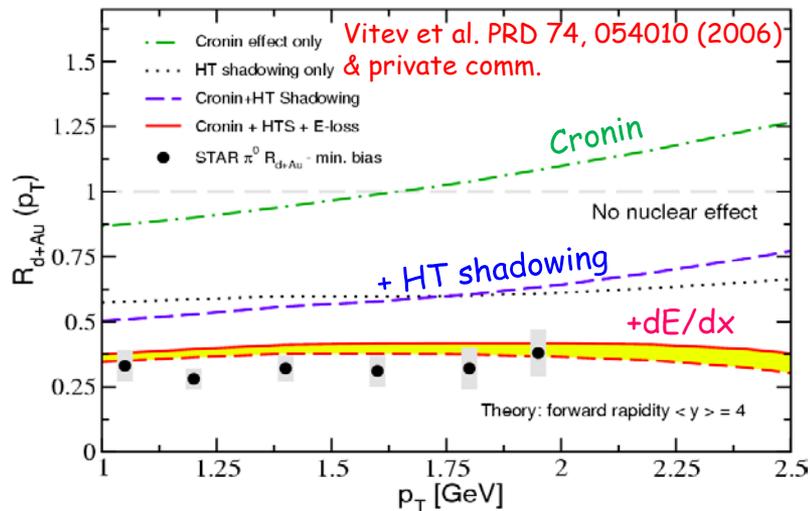
Comments - Shadowing and/or Gluon Saturation?

pQCD in high-density (small-x) gluon region involves complicated (NLO or higher-twist) processes, e.g. $g+g \rightarrow g$

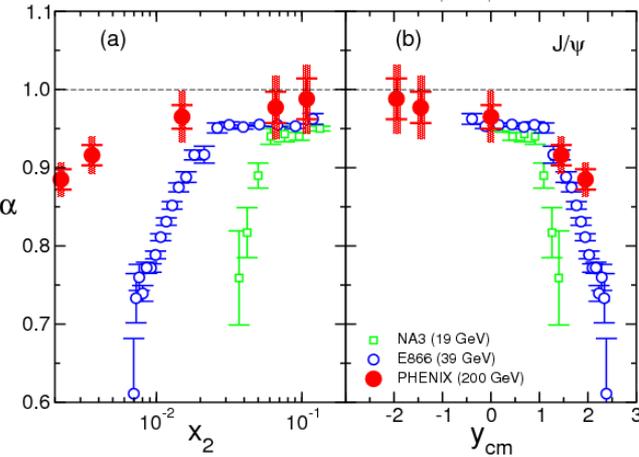
- Larry McLerran says that a correct pQCD calculation should be equivalent to the CGC (color glass condensate) picture

CGC is a "new" extreme state of cold QCD matter

- it can describe ONLY the high-density region
- no consistent description of A+A processes that involve gluons both in and out of this region
- not relevant for lower energy collisions (x not small) where large effects seen

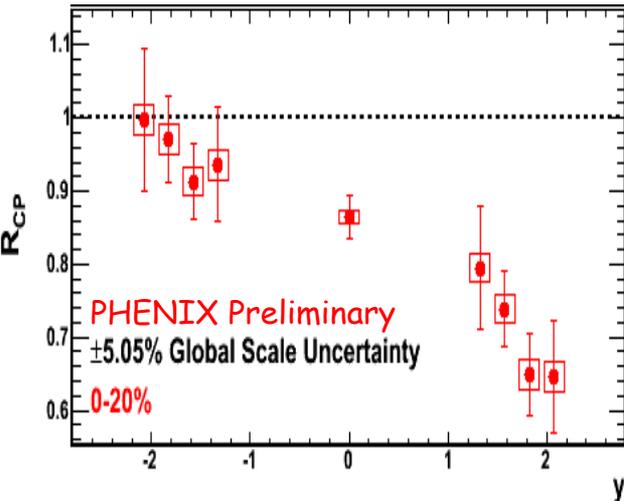
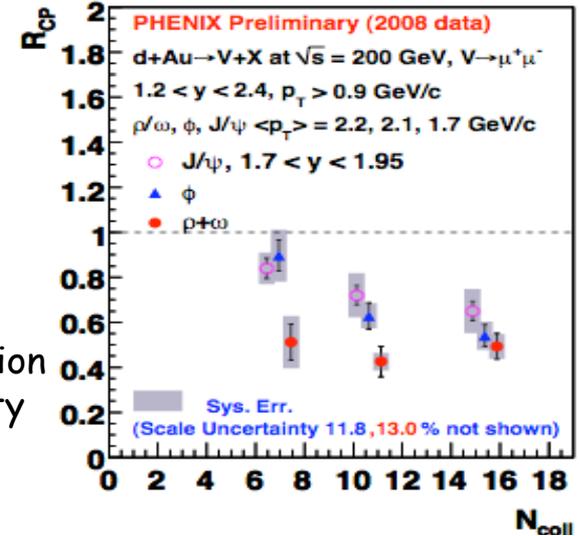


Recent CNM results from d+Au collisions



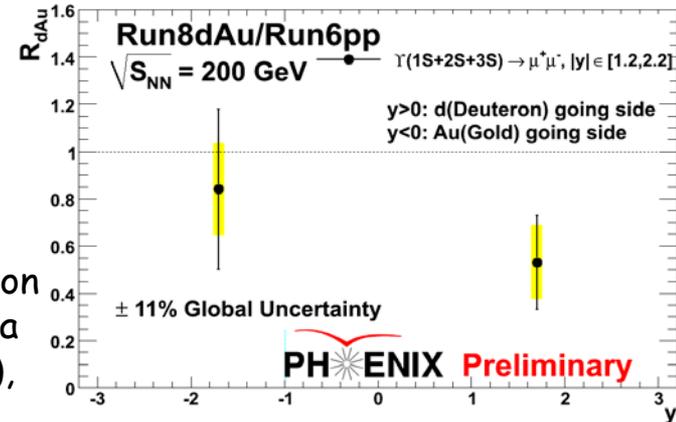
J/ψ suppression in CNM for RHIC d+Au compared to lower energy experiments (Colorado, Leitch, Pereira)

ϕ , ρ and ω suppression for forward-rapidity (Lei Guo, ...)



New J/ψ suppression from 2008 d+Au data (Colorado, Leitch, Pereira)

Upsilon suppression in 2008 d+Au data (K. Lee (Korea U.), Leitch, ...)



Isolating & quantifying gluon saturation & CNM dE/dx

A 6-year View for the LANL HI Physics Program

2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
500 GeV p+p 200 GeV Au+Au	500 GeV p+p 200 GeV Au+Au	200 GeV p+p 200 GeV d+Au	500 GeV p+p 200 GeV Cu+Au, U+U	200 GeV Au+Au 62 GeV Au+Au p+He ³	???
FVTX construction		Physics with FVTX for multiple species of collisions			
				PHENIX Decadal Upgrades	
$R_{AA} J/\psi$ central	$R_{AA} c, b$ $R_{AA} \Psi'$	$R_{dAu} c, b, J/\psi,$ Ψ', Υ, DY	$R_{CuCu} c, b, J/\psi,$ Ψ', Υ	$R_{AA} \Upsilon, DY$ 62 GeV c, J/ $\psi,$ Ψ'	(yr. data taken; analysis ~1 yr later)
E906 startup			E906 dE/dx		JPARC Pol. DY?
	1 st LHC HI Run	2 nd LHC HI Run		1 st high-lumi HI Run	2 nd high-lumi HI Run
	σ_{Z0} in p+p and Pb+Pb	$Z_0, \Upsilon R_{AA}$ & jet shapes		Z_0 -jet tagging	Z_0 -jet A+A fragm. modif.
			Pixel readout HI upgrade		
				LHC p+A?	