

Beam Energy Scan at RHIC

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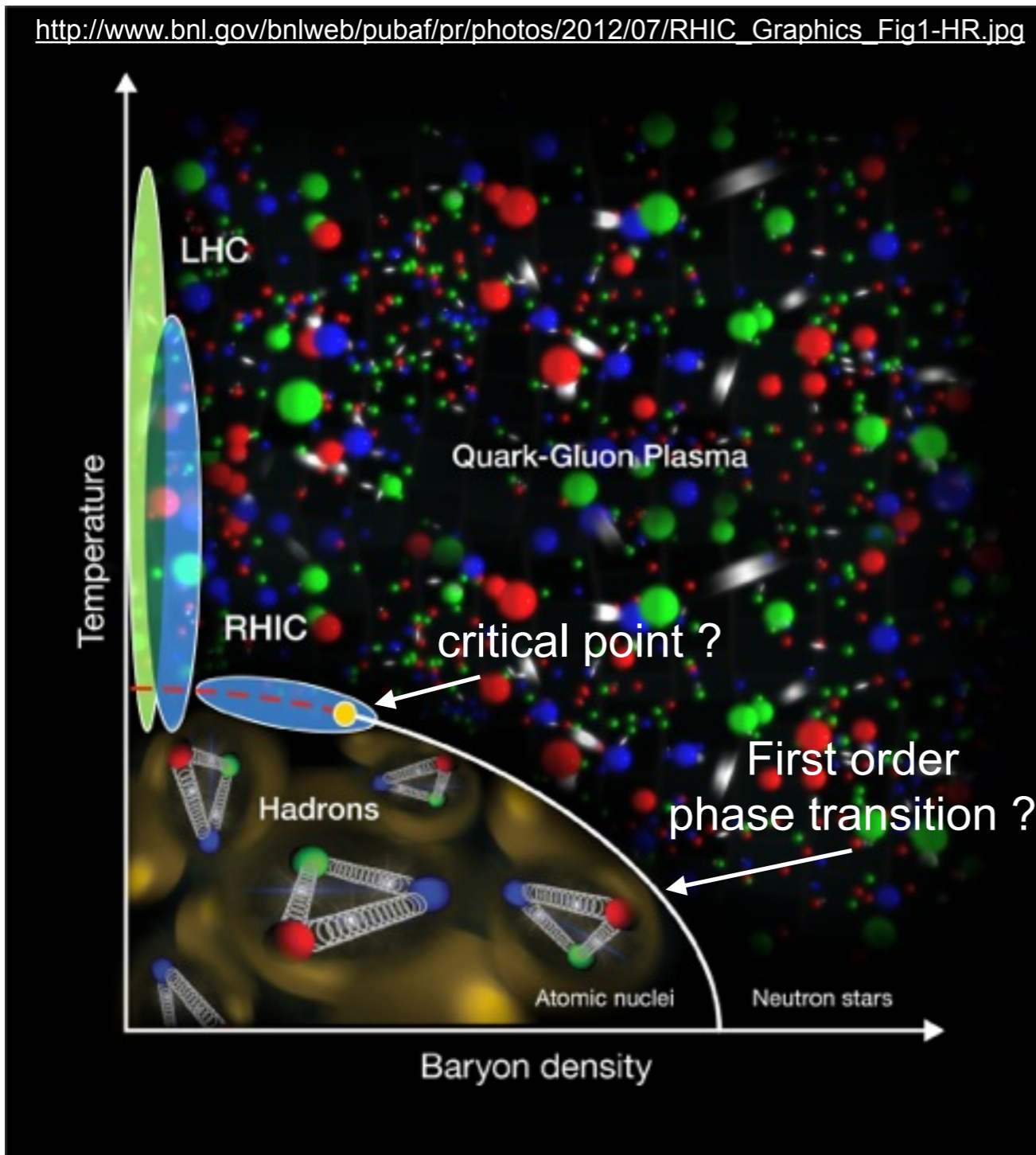
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RHIC Beam Energy Scan (BES)

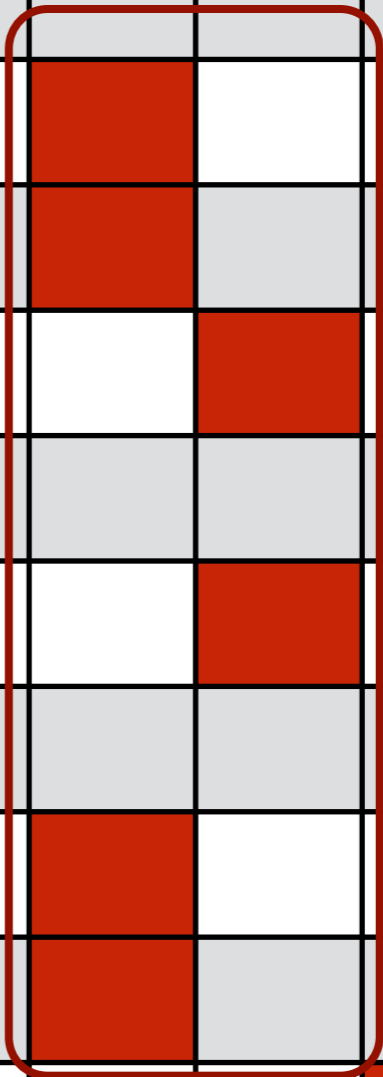


- Cross-over transition at $\mu_B=0$
 - ▶ from 1st principle Lattice QCD calculations
- If phase transition is 1st order at high baryon density, the end point is QCD critical point
- Beam energy scan → reach high baryon density
- Goals of BES at RHIC:
 - ▶ Search for turn-off QGP signals
 - ▶ Search for signals of 1st order phase transition
 - ▶ Search for signals of QCD critical point

RHIC heavy ion collisions

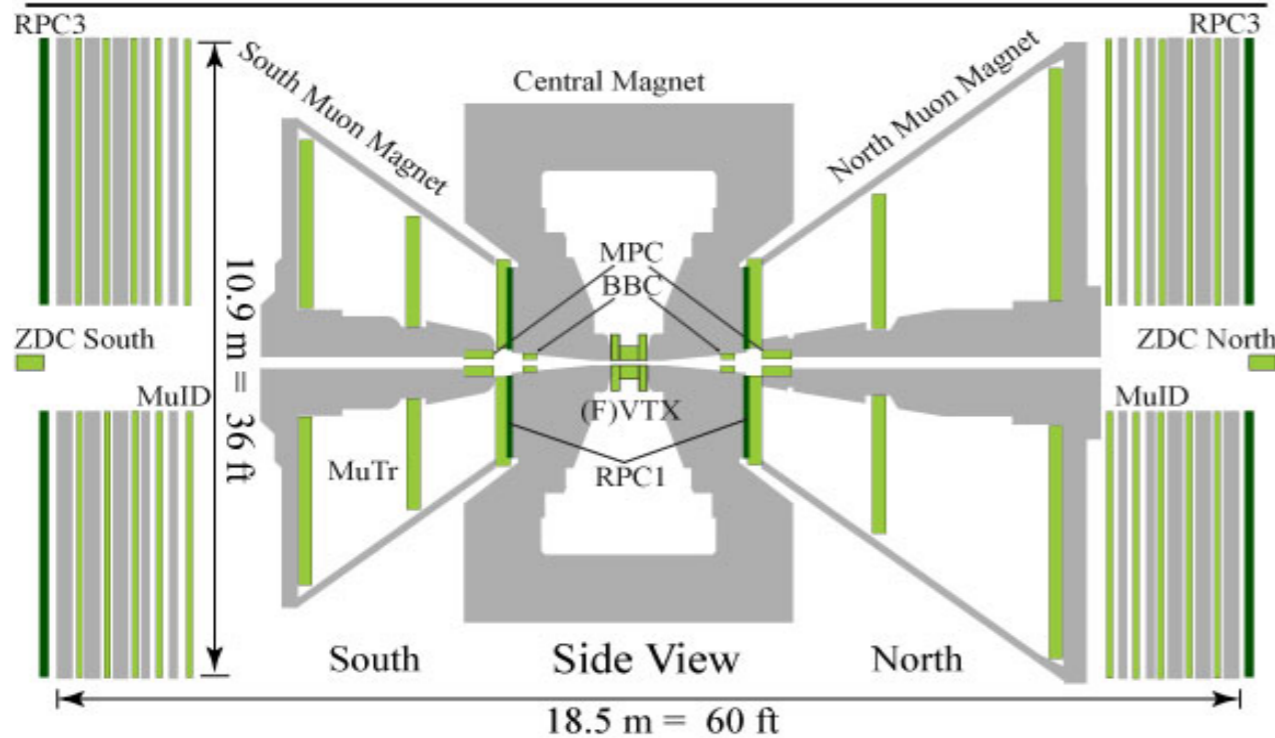
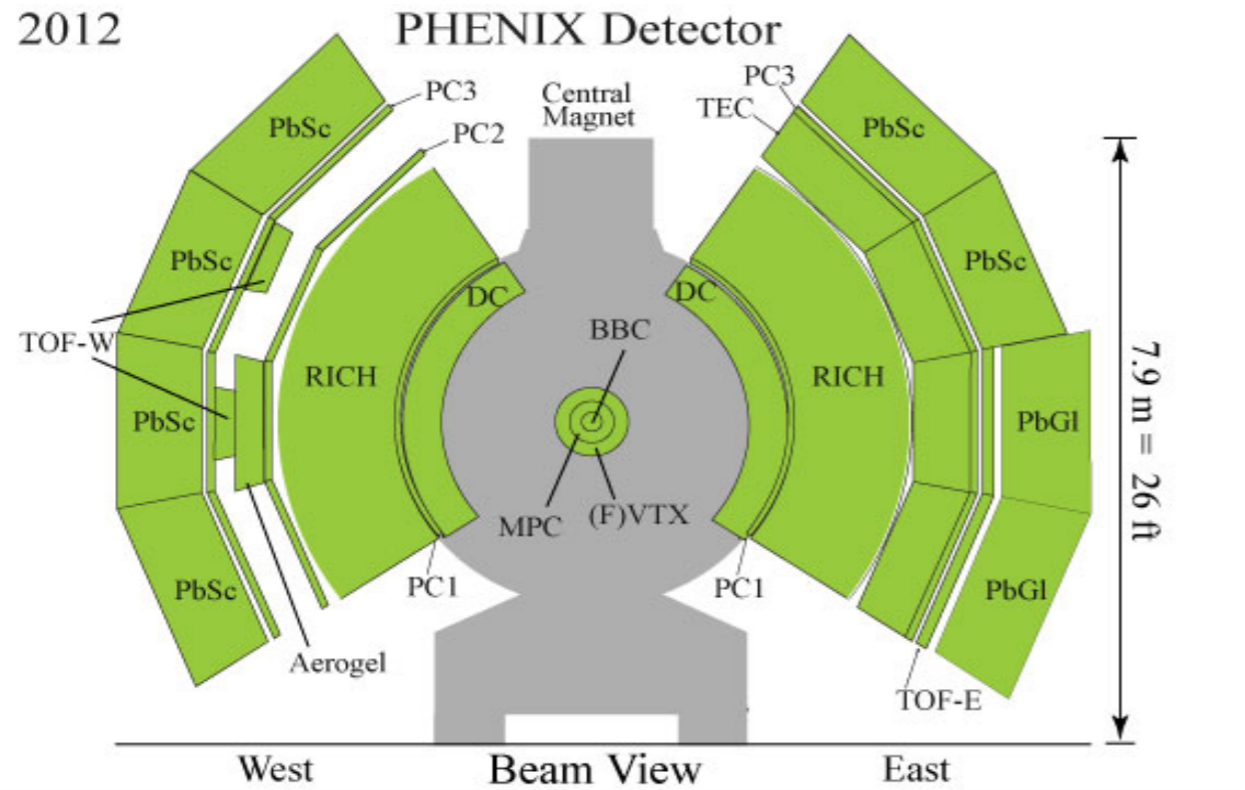
\sqrt{s} (GeV)	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
200	Au+Au	Au+Au	d+Au	Au+Au	Cu+Cu		Au+Au	d+Au		Au+Au	Au+Au	U+U (193 GeV) & Cu+Au		Au+Au / d+Au
130				Au+Au	Cu+Cu									
62.4										Au+Au				
39										Au+Au				
27											Au+Au			
22.6														
19.6											Au+Au			
14.5														Au+Au
11.5														
7.7														
Test run							9.2 GeV					5 GeV		

- Beam Energy Scan (BES) phase-I (year 2010, 2011)
 - ▶ 7.7, 11.5, (14.5), 19.6, 27, 39, 62.4 GeV
- 14.5 GeV has just taken this year

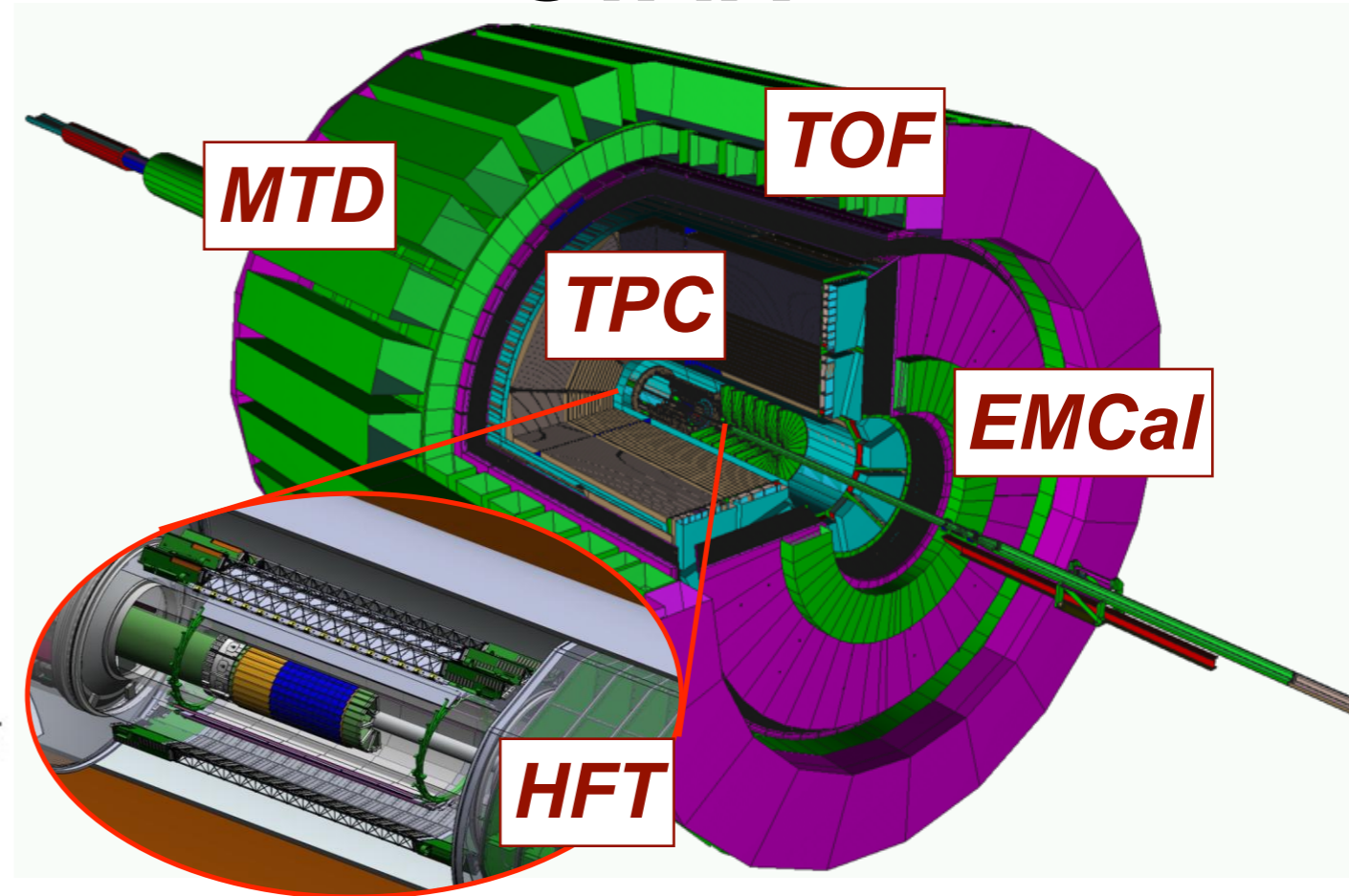


■ Au+Au
 ■ Cu+Cu
 ■ d+Au
 ▲ He+Au
 ■ U+U (193 GeV) & Cu+Au

PHENIX & STAR experiments

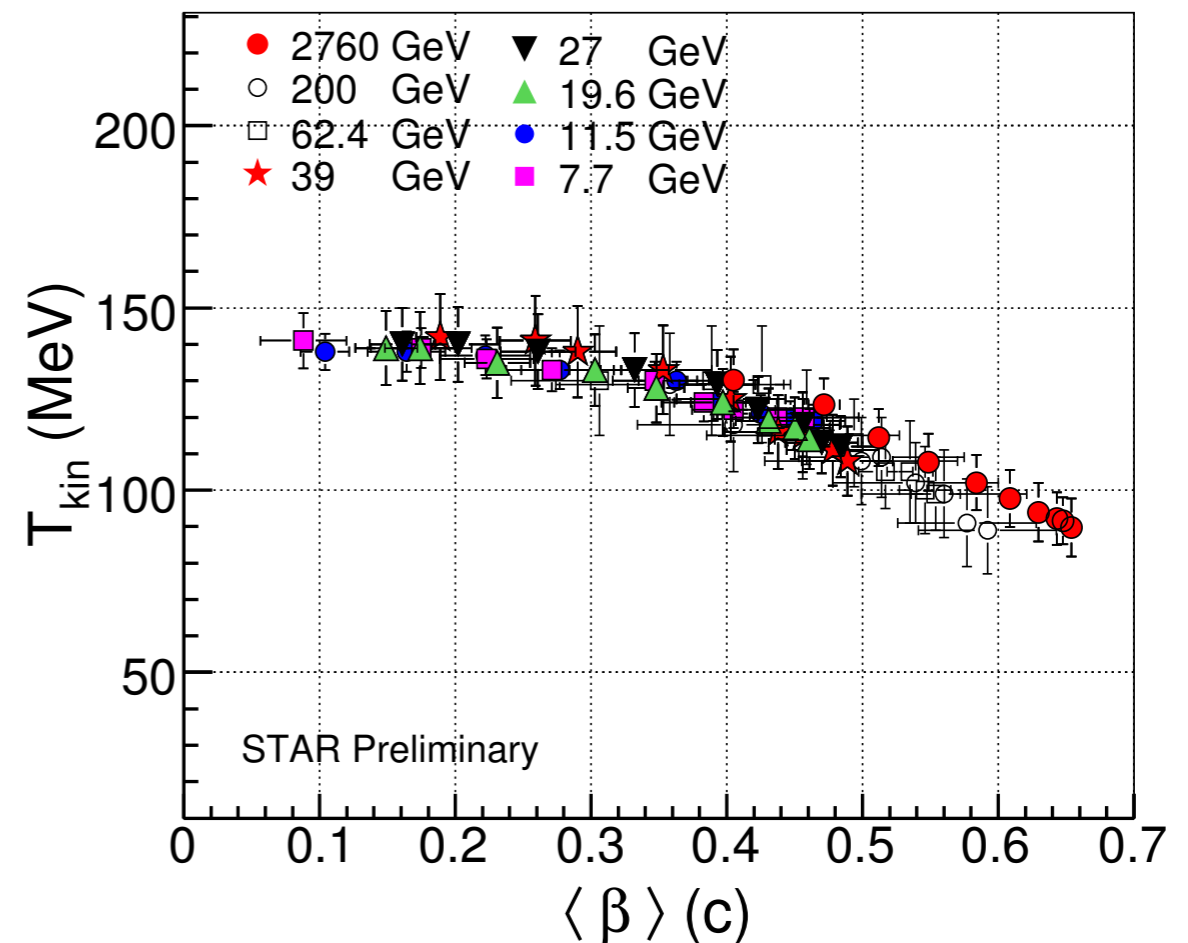
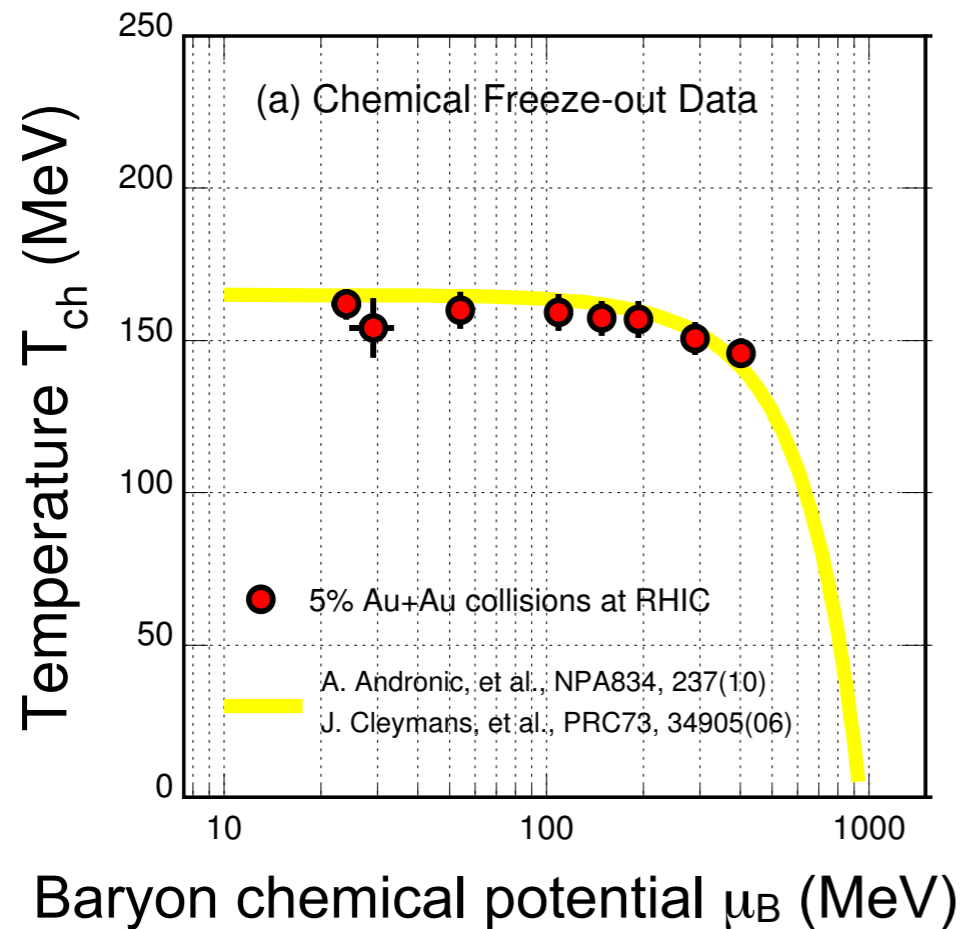


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- Good acceptance in STAR
- Fast trigger, good forward counters in PHENIX
- Similar PID capabilities

Where are we in QCD phase diagram ?

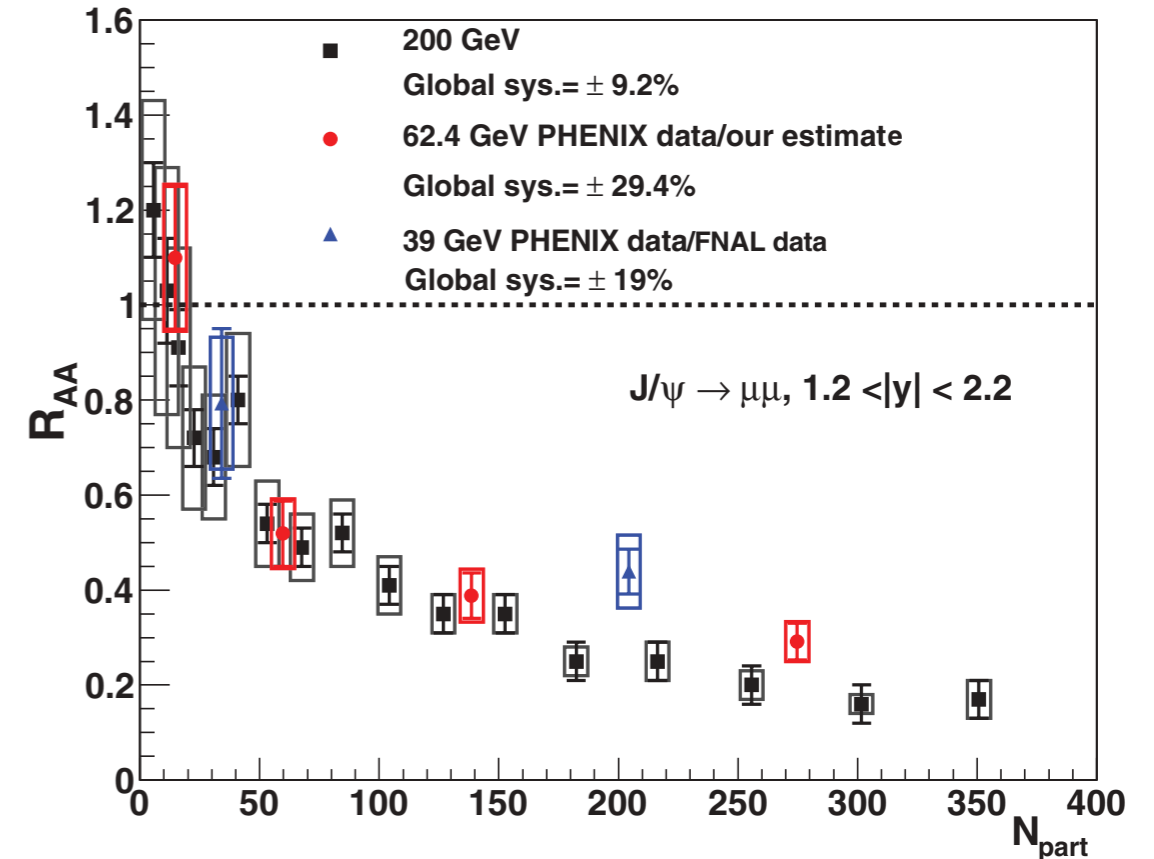
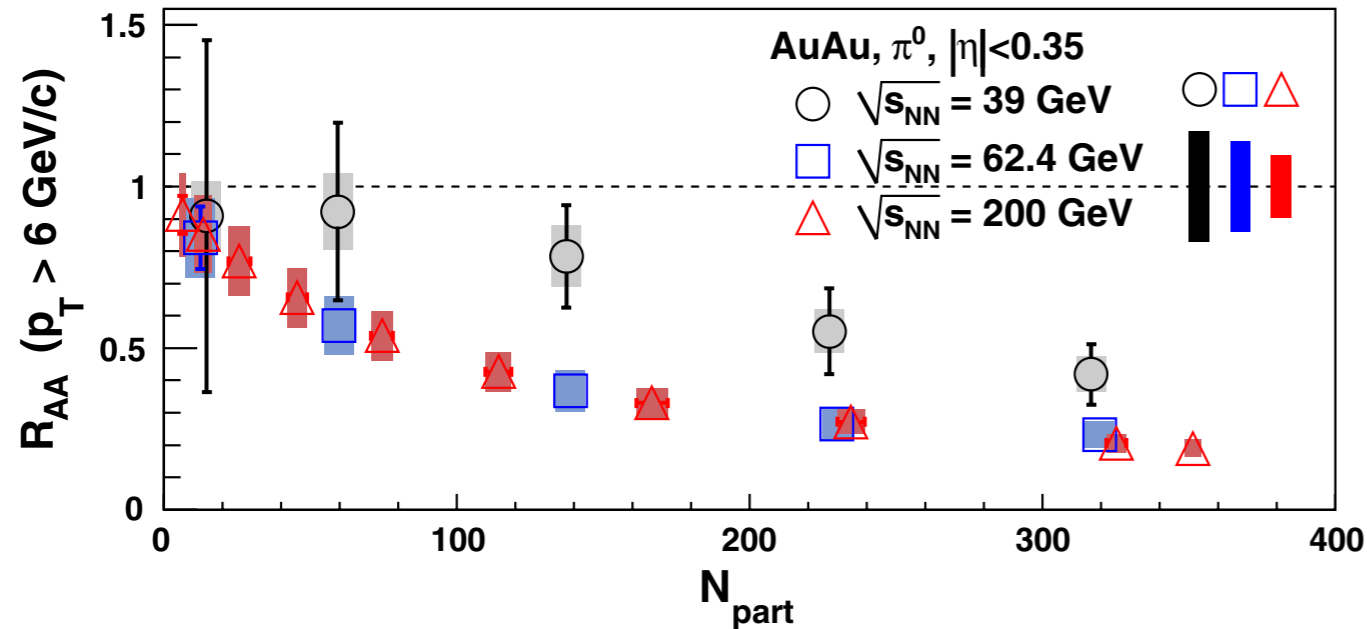


- RHIC BES phase-I covers up to ~ 400 MeV in μ_B
 - ▶ Chemical freeze-out temperature & baryon chemical potential from particle ratio
 - ▶ Kinetic freeze-out temperature from p_T spectra

Nuclear modification factor R_{AA}

PHENIX: *PRL*109, 152301 (2012)

PHENIX: *PRC*86, 064901 (2012)



- Parton energy loss in colored medium

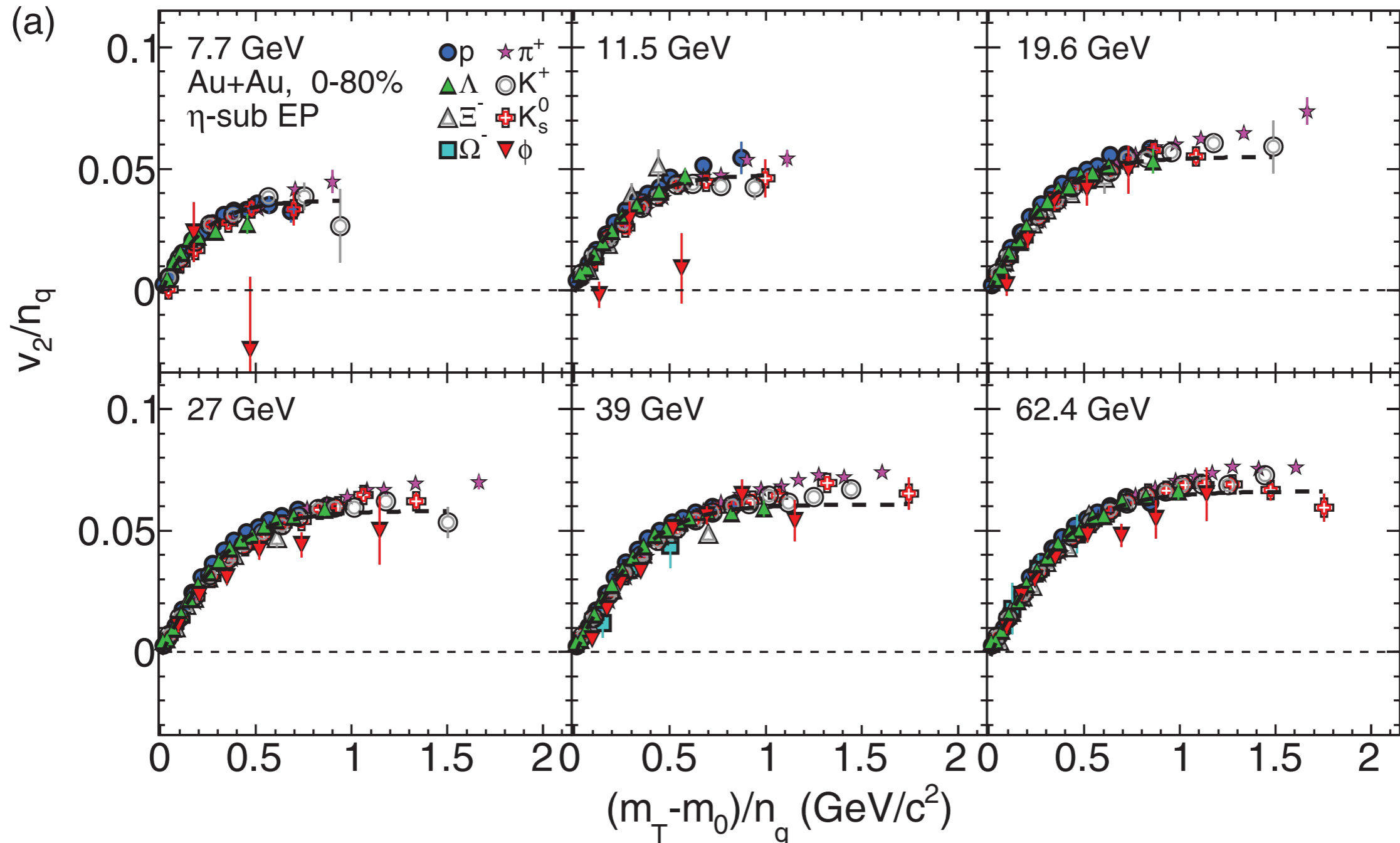
- ▶ π^0 R_{AA} is suppressed in most central 0-10% at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 39$ GeV

- Results in Cu+Cu 22.5 GeV show enhancement in $p_T = 4$ GeV/c

- ▶ J/ψ R_{AA} is also suppressed at 39 GeV, similar with 62.4 and 200 GeV

Elliptic flow v_2

STAR: *PRC88*, 014902 (2013)

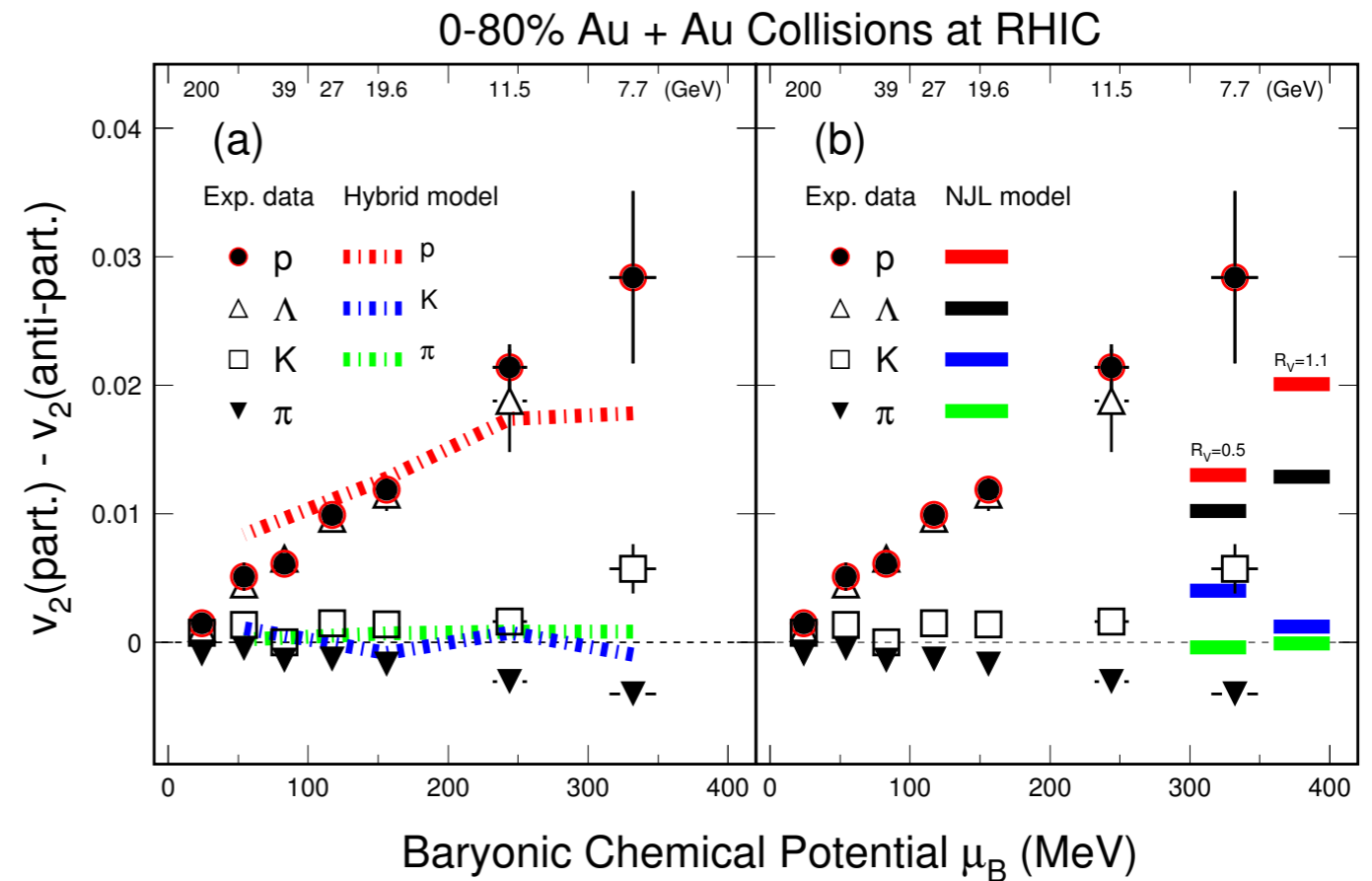
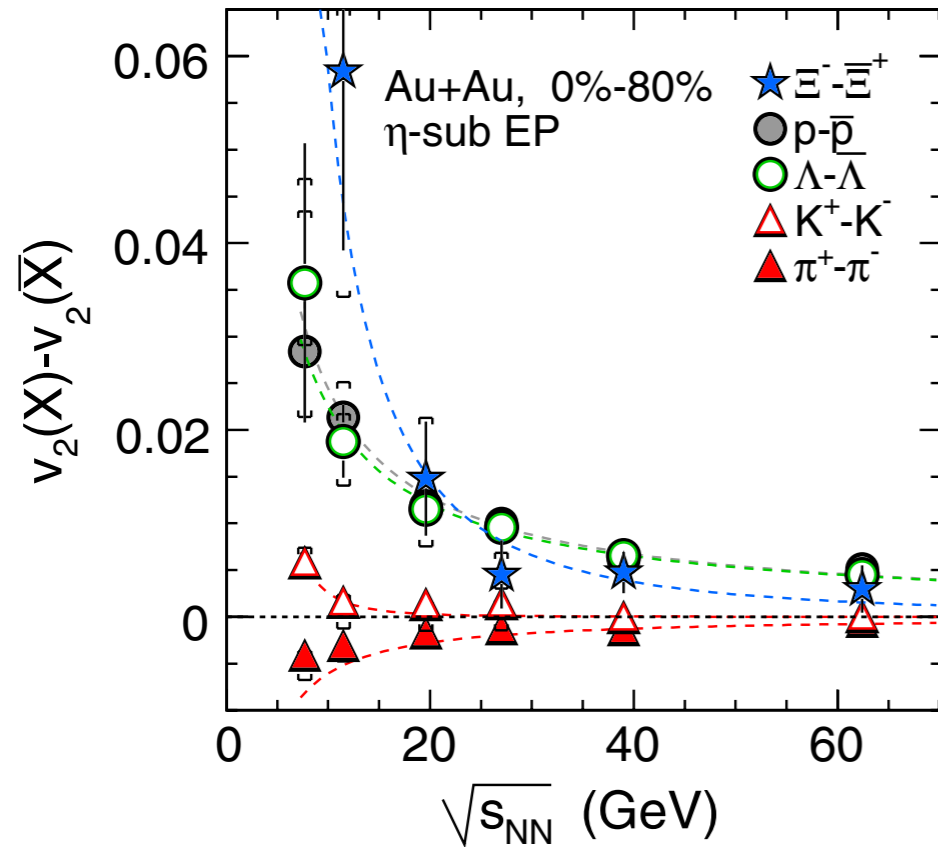


- Number of constituent quark (NCQ) scaling - partonic d.o.f
 - ▶ Hold separately for particles and anti-particles
 - ▶ Need more statistics in high $m_T - m_0$ at lower energies

v_2 ; particles vs anti-particles

STAR: *PRL*110, 142301 (2013),
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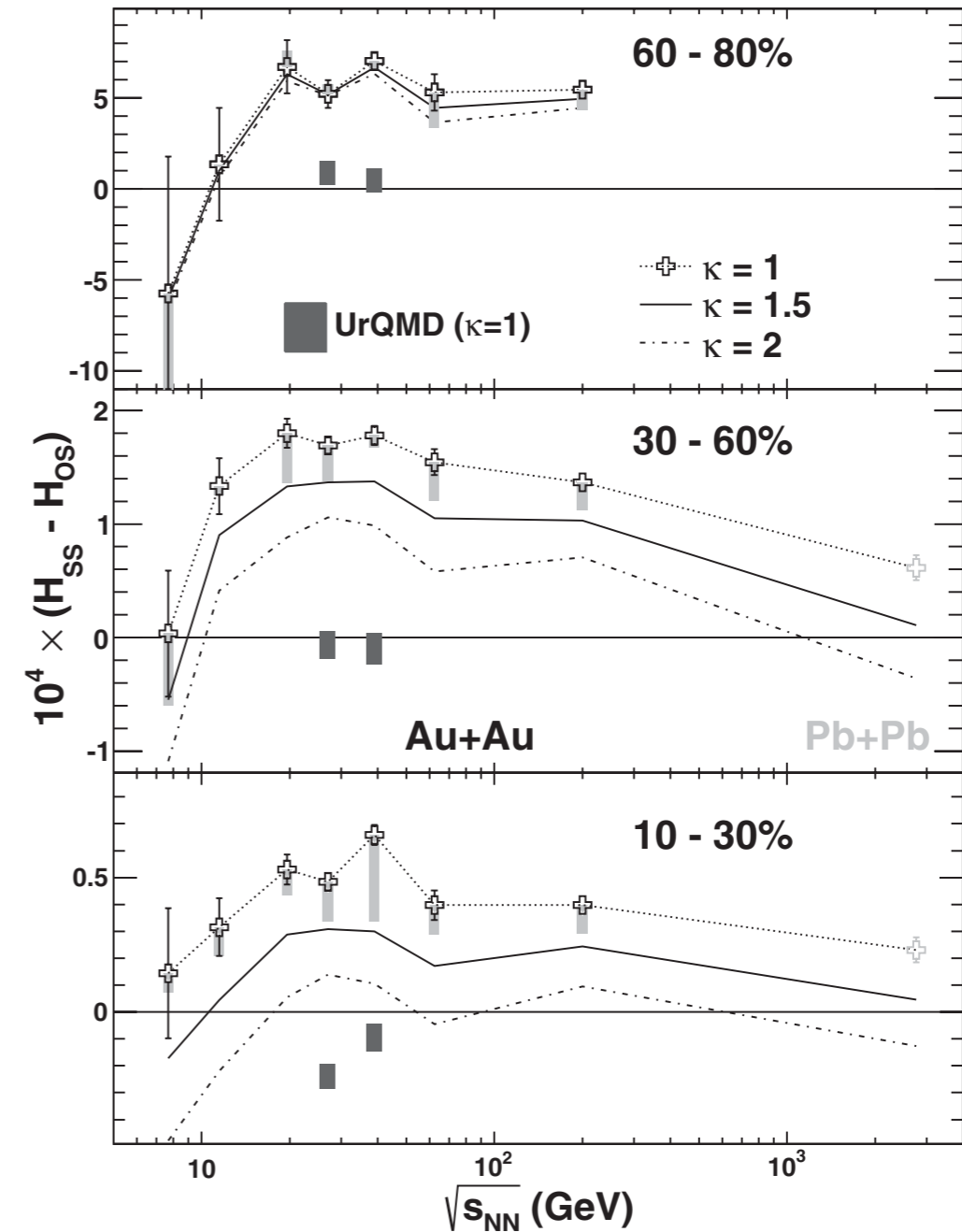
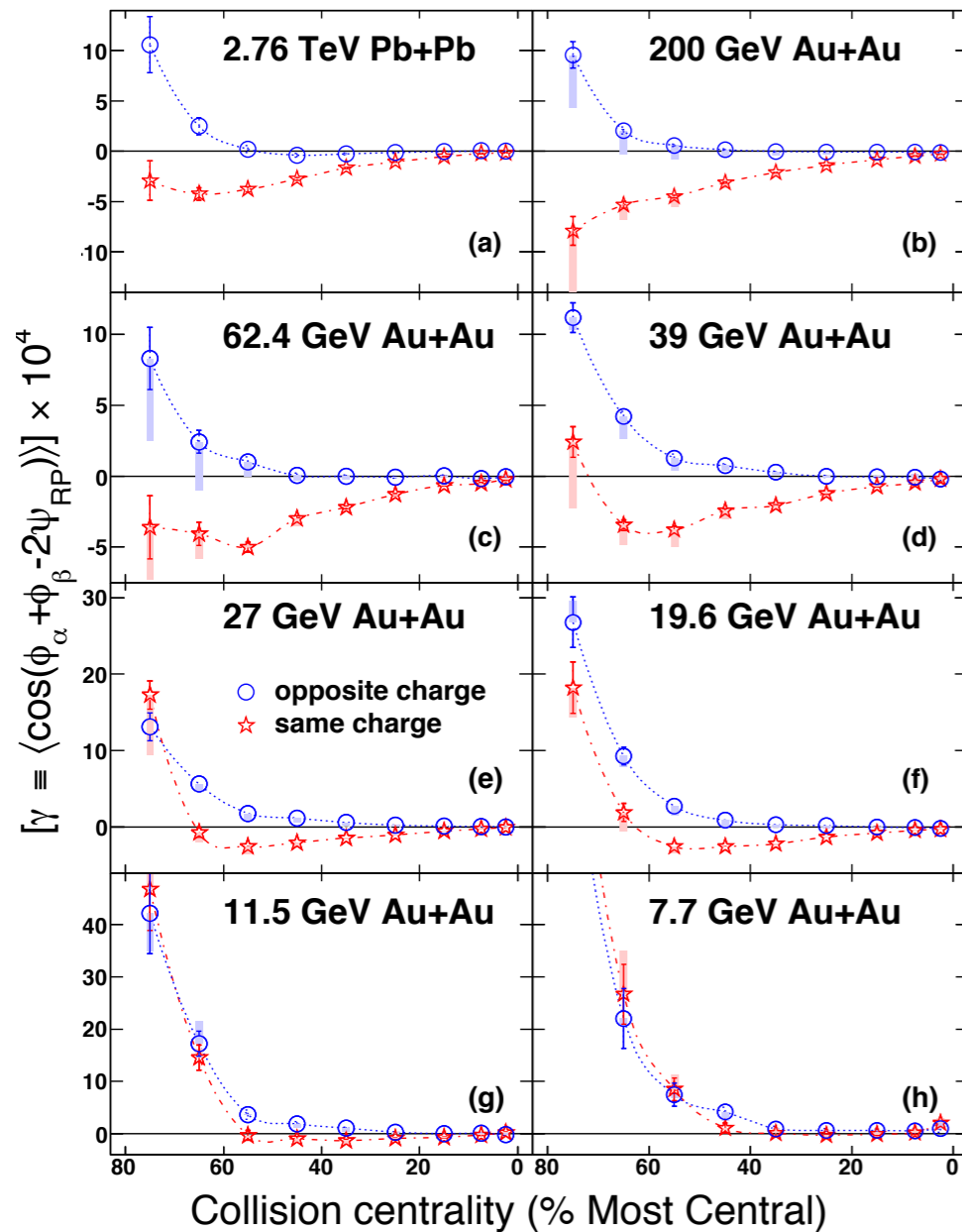
Hybrid model: *PRC*86, 044903 (2012)
NJL model: *PRL*112, 012301 (2014)



- Relative difference of v_2 between particles and anti-particles increase in lower beam energies
 - ▶ Difference increase linearly with baryon chemical potential
 - ▶ Reasonable agreement with hybrid hydro model \rightarrow baryon stopping ?
 - ▶ NJL model also qualitatively reproduce the data

Charge separation w.r.t. event plane

STAR: *PRL*103, 251601 (2009), *PRL*113, 052302 (2014),
ALICE: *PRL*110, 012301 (2013)

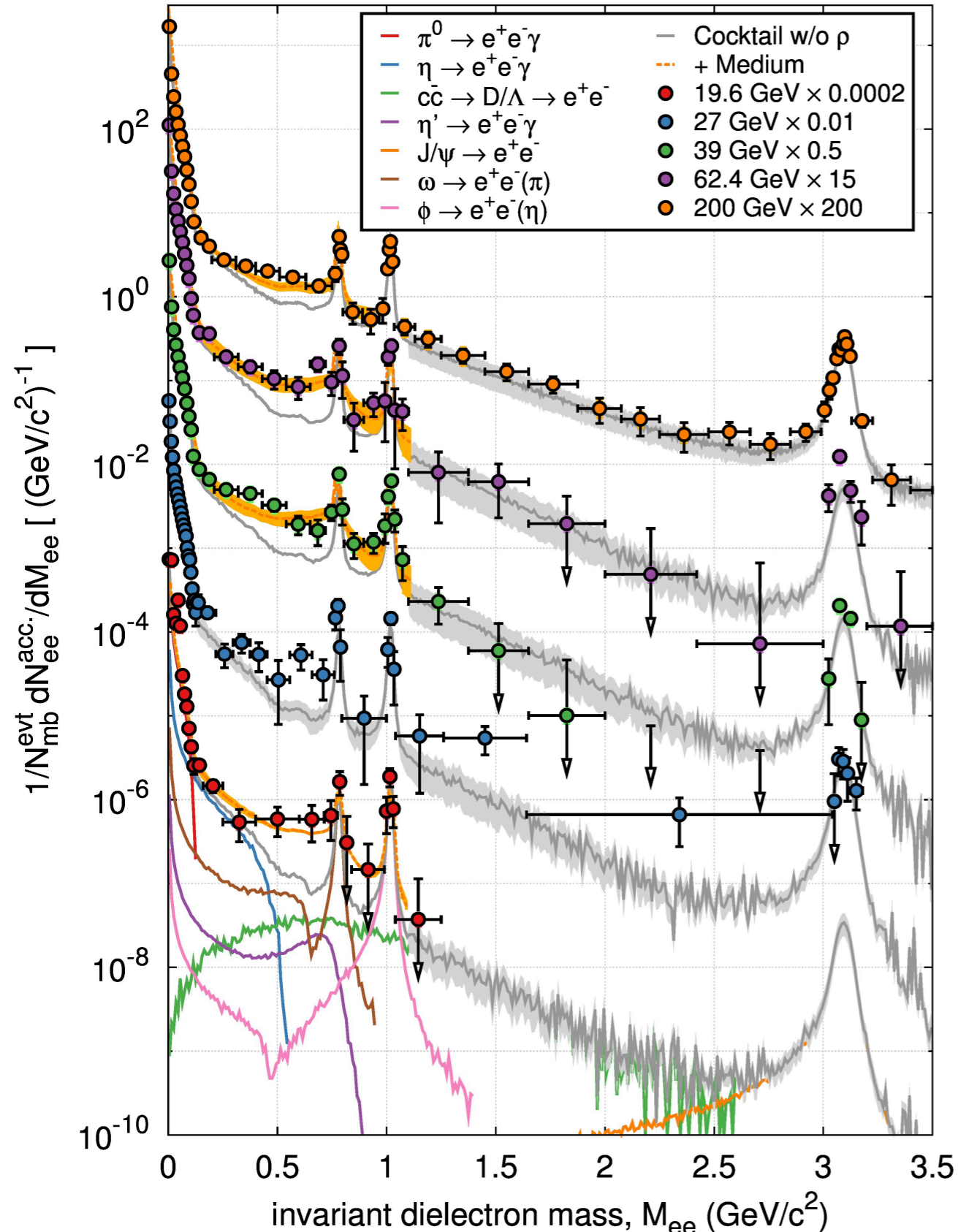


- Chiral magnetic effect + Local parity violation

- ▶ Signal ~ 0 in $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 7.7 - 19.6$ GeV
- ▶ Need better estimate of κ & precision measurements below 20 GeV

Di-electron mass spectra

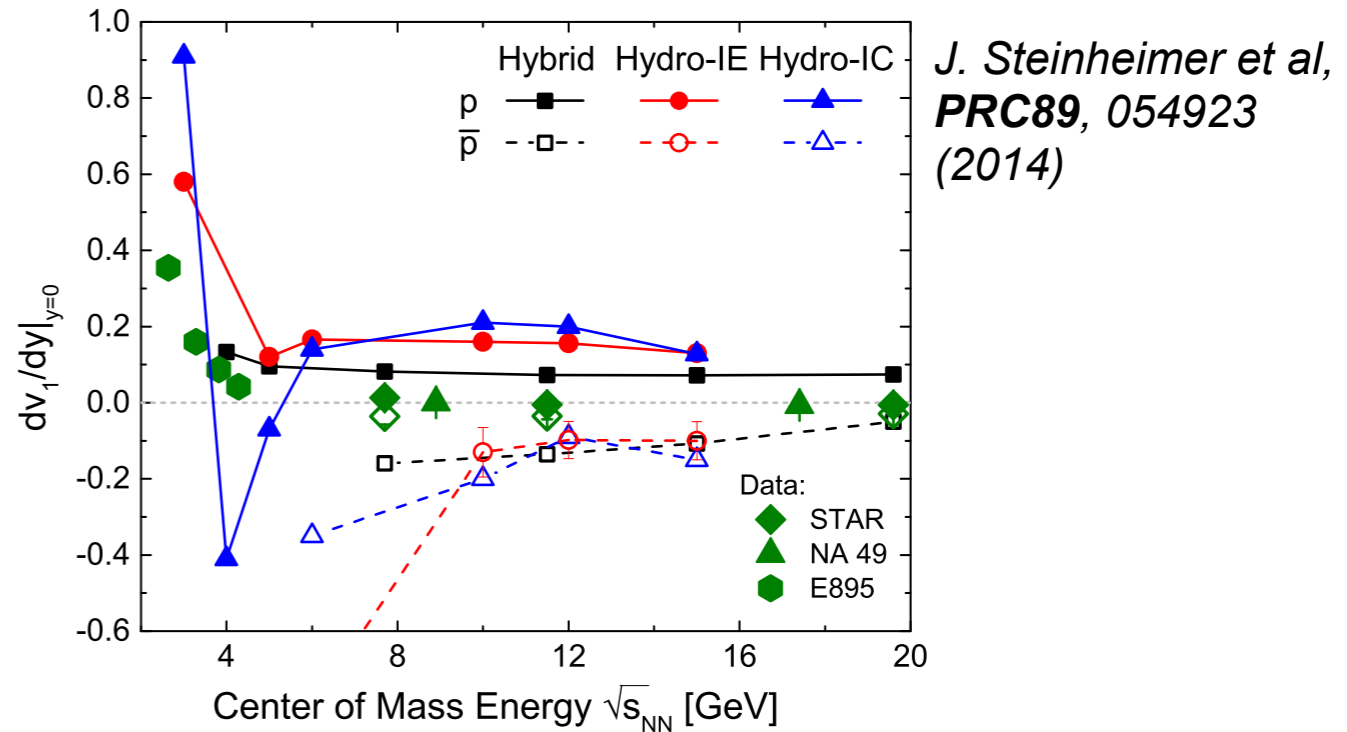
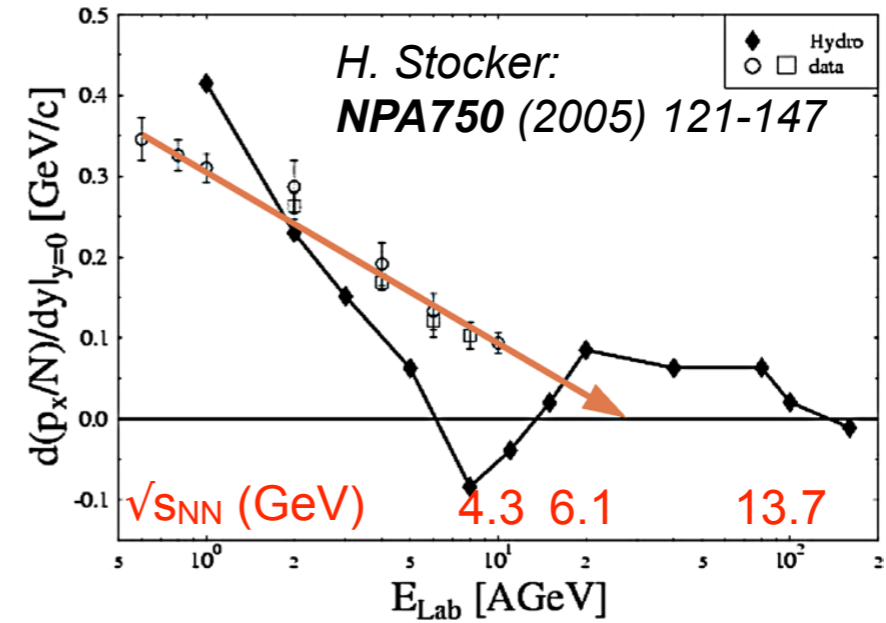
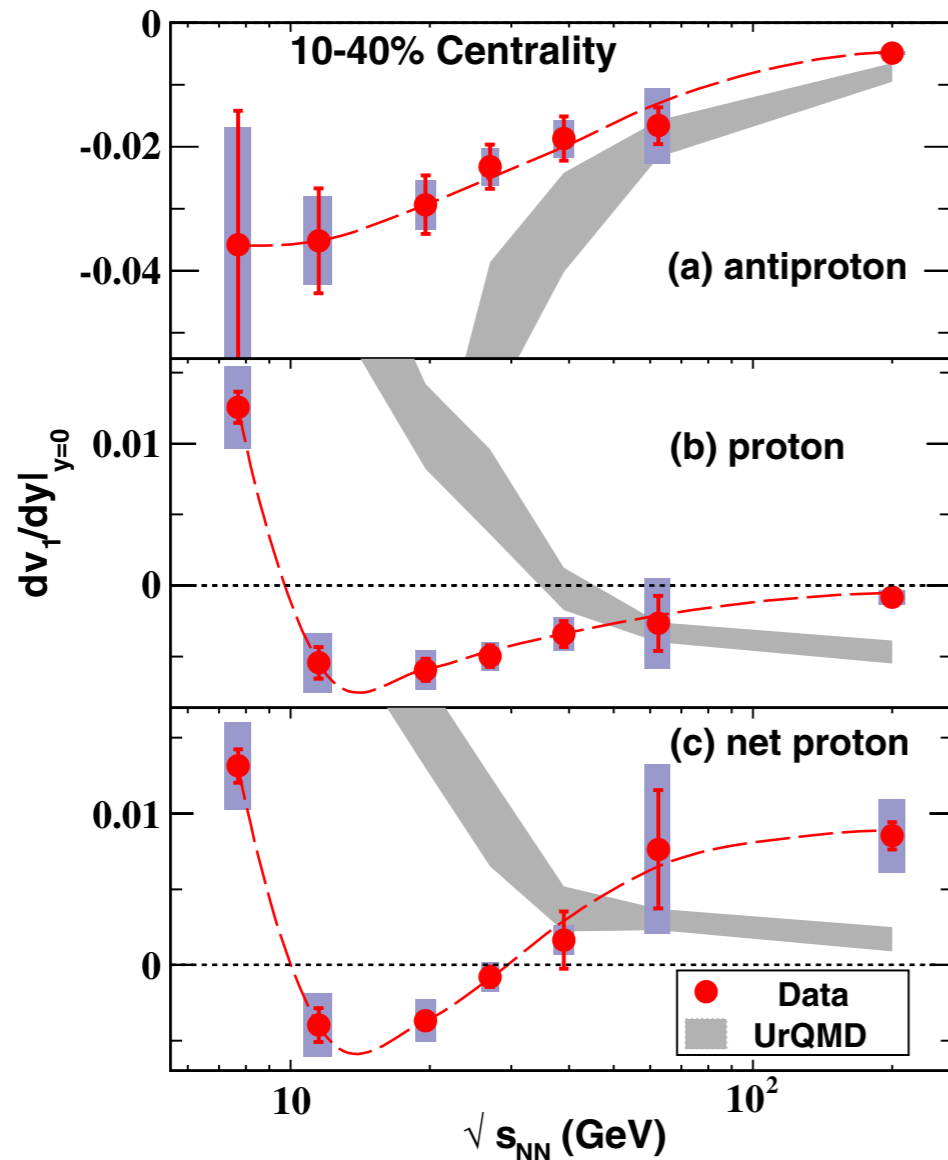
STAR, QM2014



- Chiral symmetry restoration, thermal radiation
 - ▶ STAR measured di-electron spectra in $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 19.6 - 200$ GeV
 - ▶ Excess in $M_{ee} < 1.1$ GeV/c² (LMR) observed at all energies
 - ▶ In-medium modification of ρ spectral function describe LMR enhancement
 - ▶ No energy dependence of LMR excess
- Need more statistics below 20 GeV

Directed flow v_1

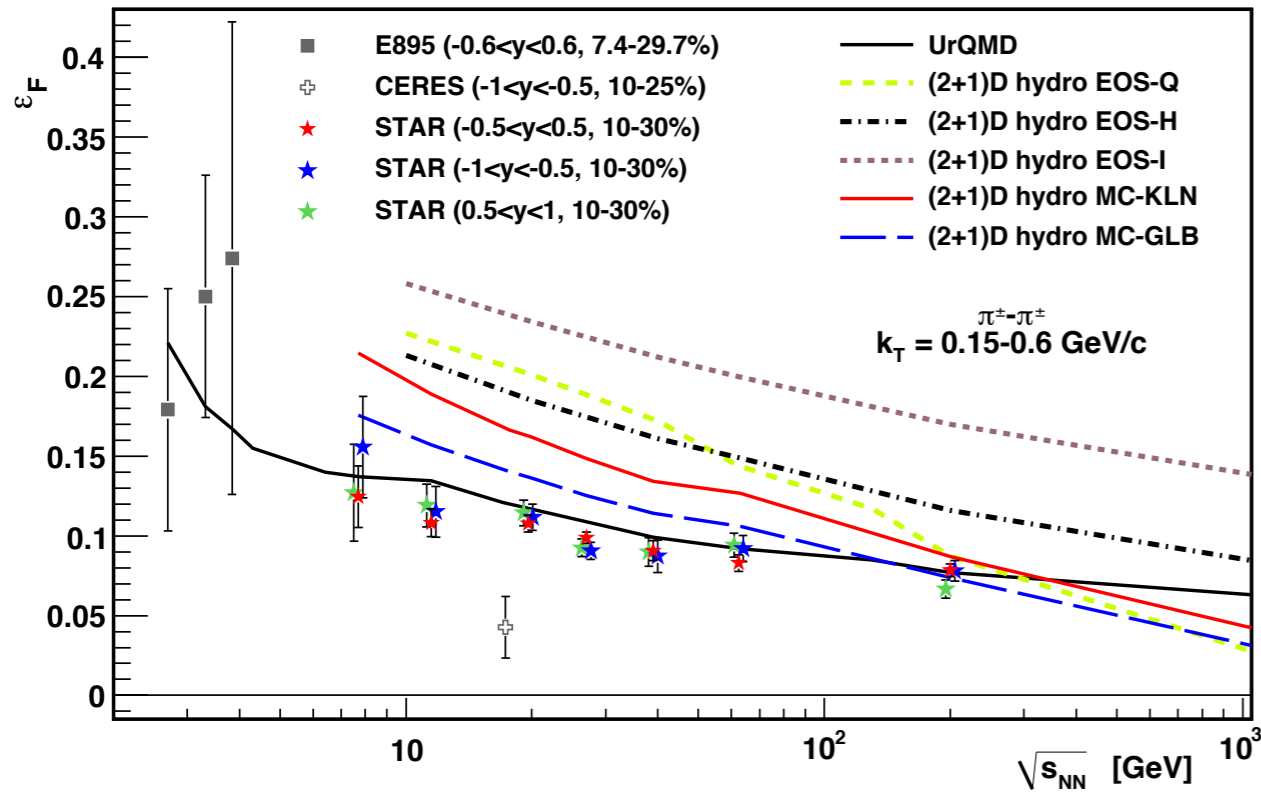
STAR: PRL112, 162301 (2014)



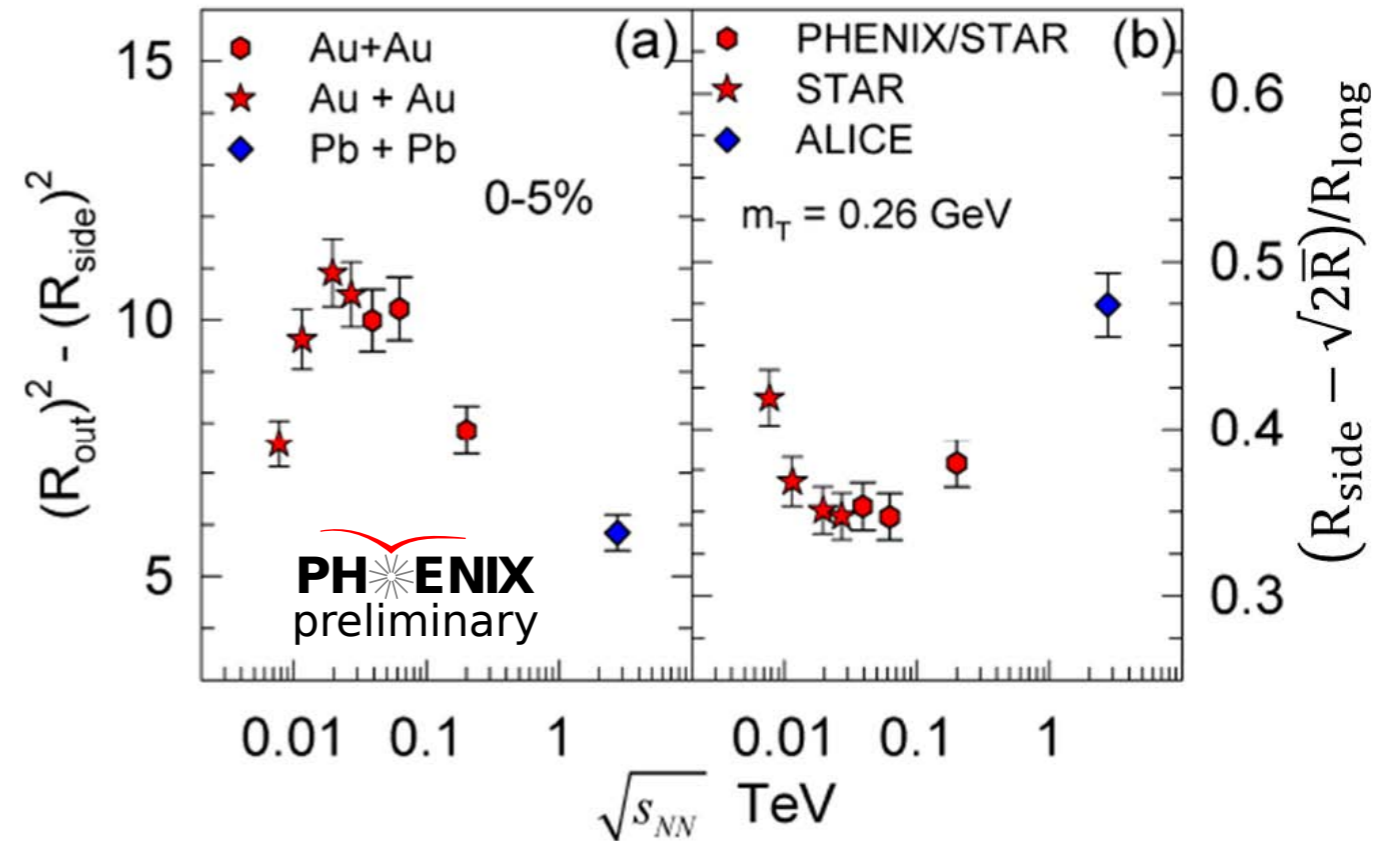
- Possible signature of first order phase transition
 - ▶ Non-monotonic behavior, trend is similar with early prediction
 - ▶ Recent more realistic hybrid calculation can't reproduce the data

Azimuthal sensitive HBT

STAR: arXiv:1403.4972 [nucl-ex]



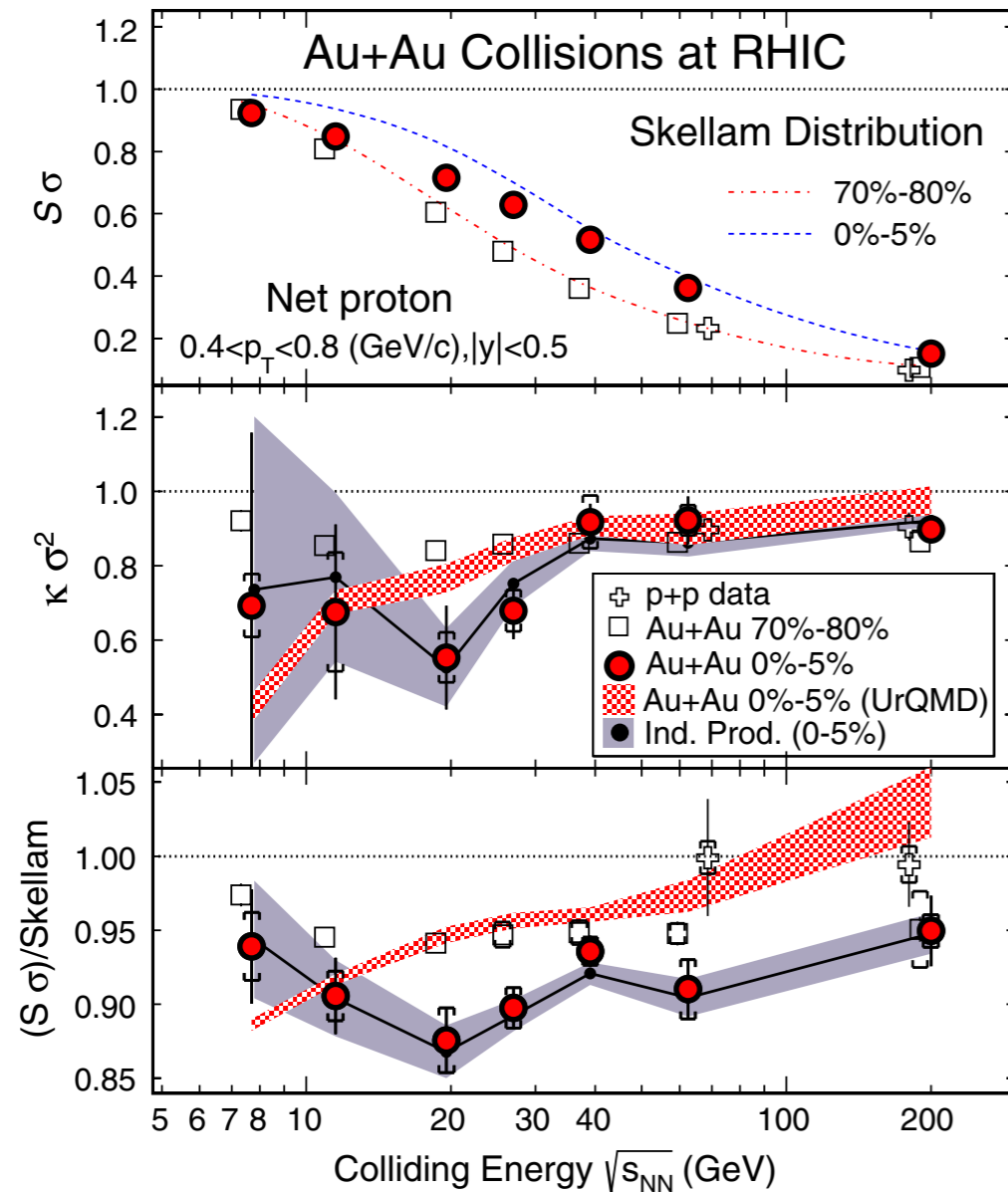
PHENIX, QM2014



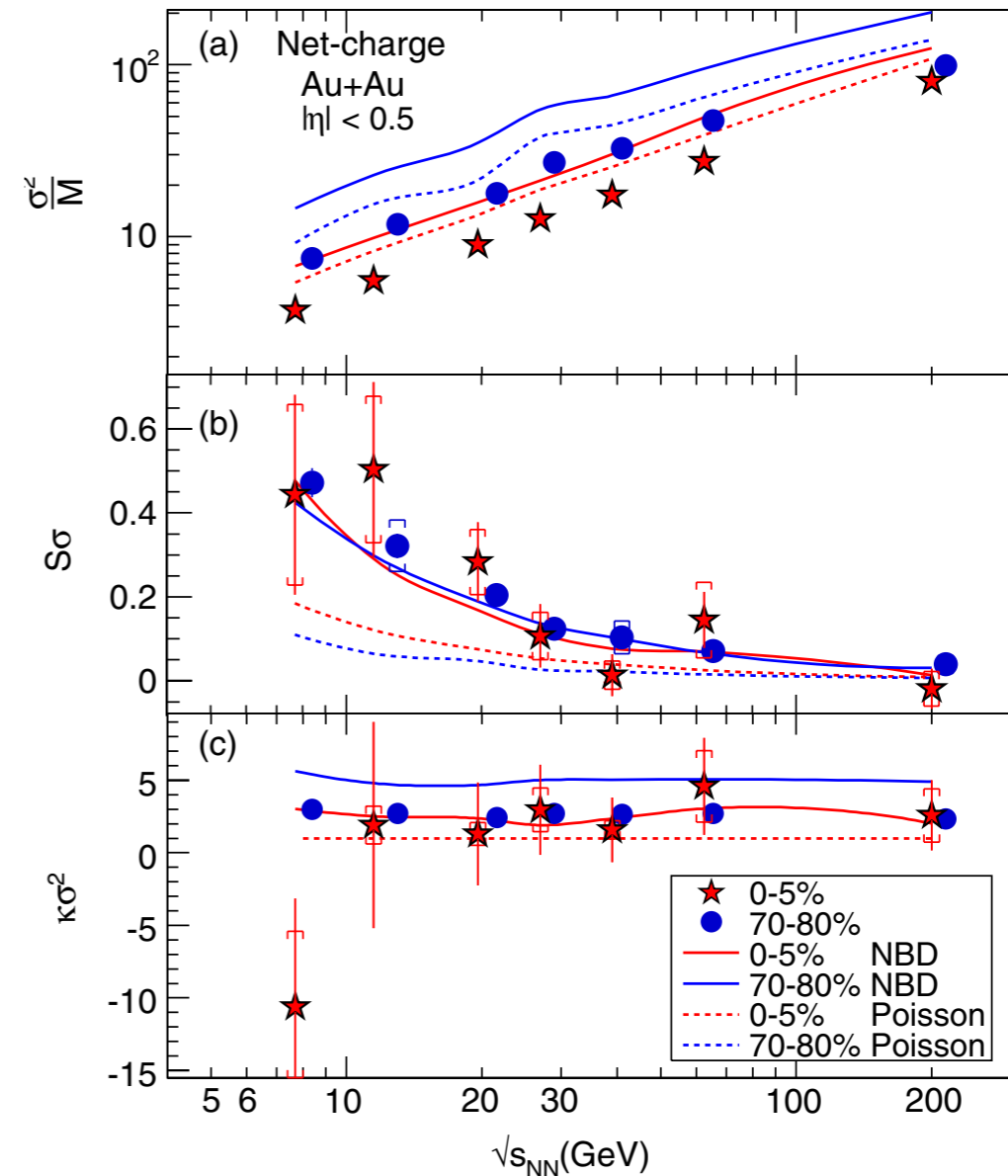
- First order phase transition \rightarrow small freeze-out eccentricity
 - STAR results show monotonic energy dependence
- Non-monotonic behavior on $(R_{out})^2 - (R_{side})^2$, R_{side}/R_{long}
 - $(R_{out})^2 - (R_{side})^2 \sim$ emission duration, $R_{side}/R_{long} \sim$ proxy of sound speed

Net-proton & net-charge fluctuations

STAR: PRL112, 032302 (2014)

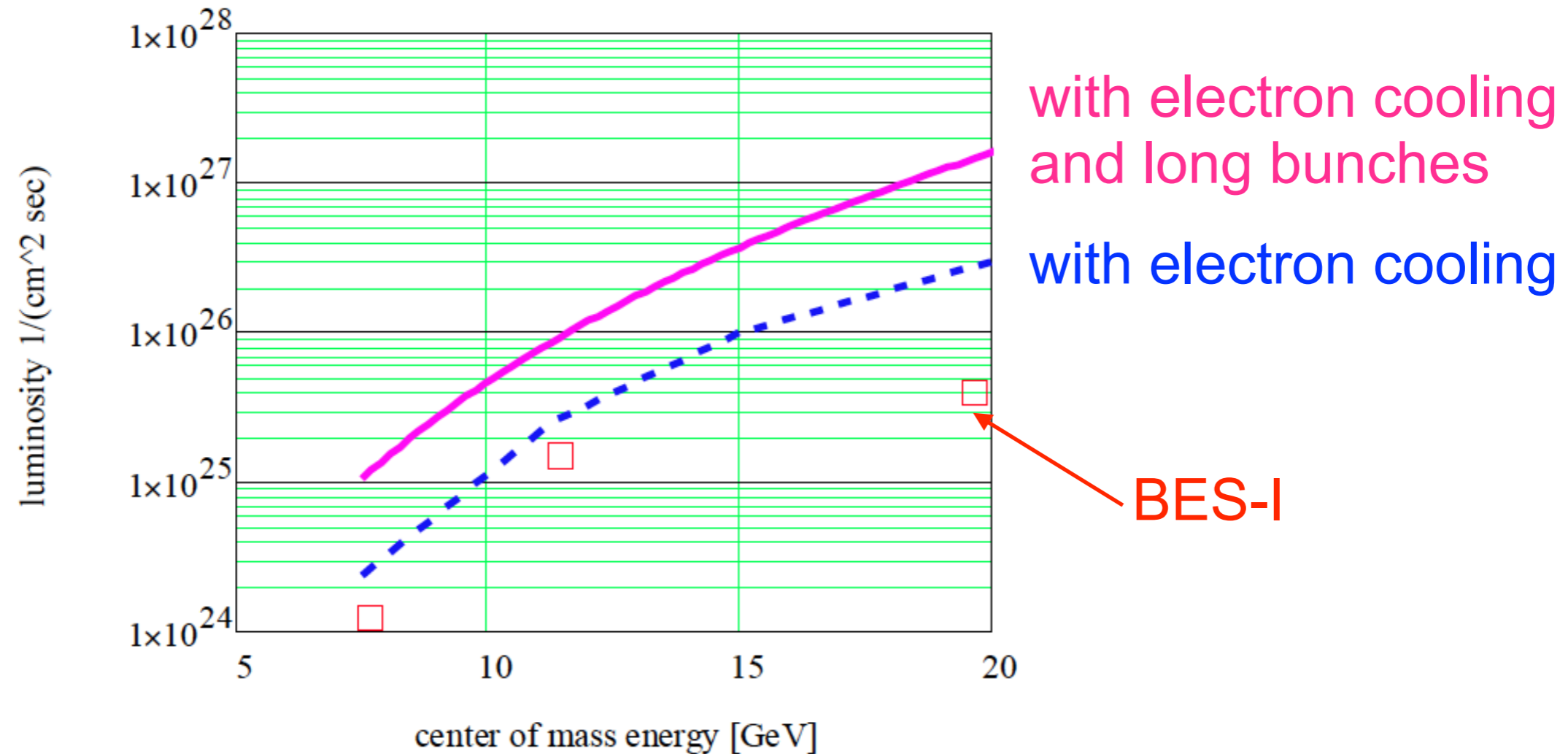


STAR: PRL113, 092301 (2014)



- Sensitive to fluctuations induced by QCD critical point
- Largest deviation around 19.6 GeV for net-proton
- Need more precise measurements

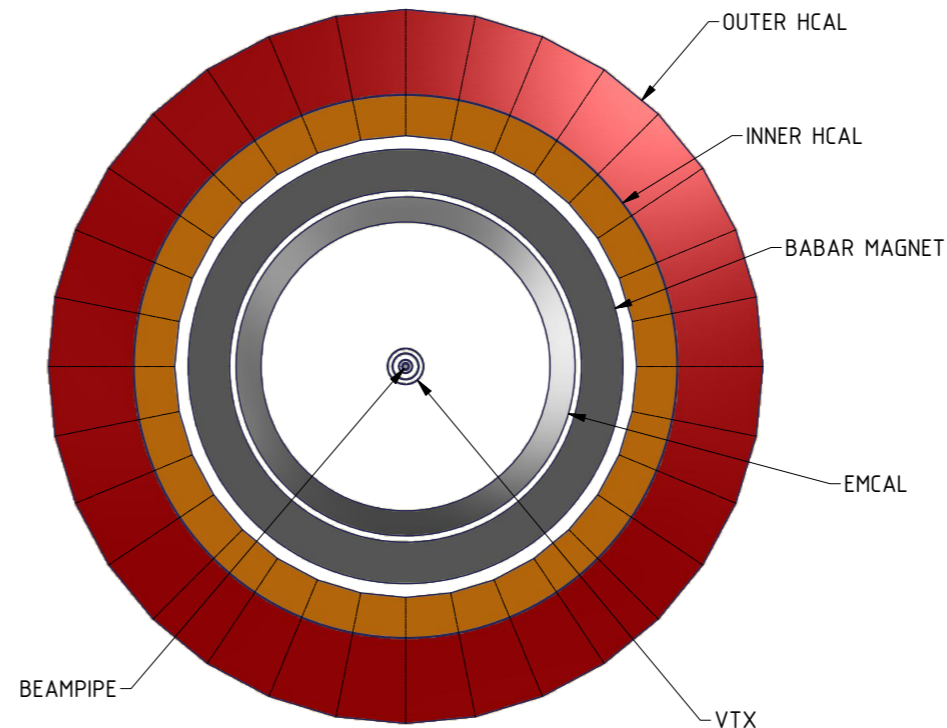
RHIC luminosity improvements



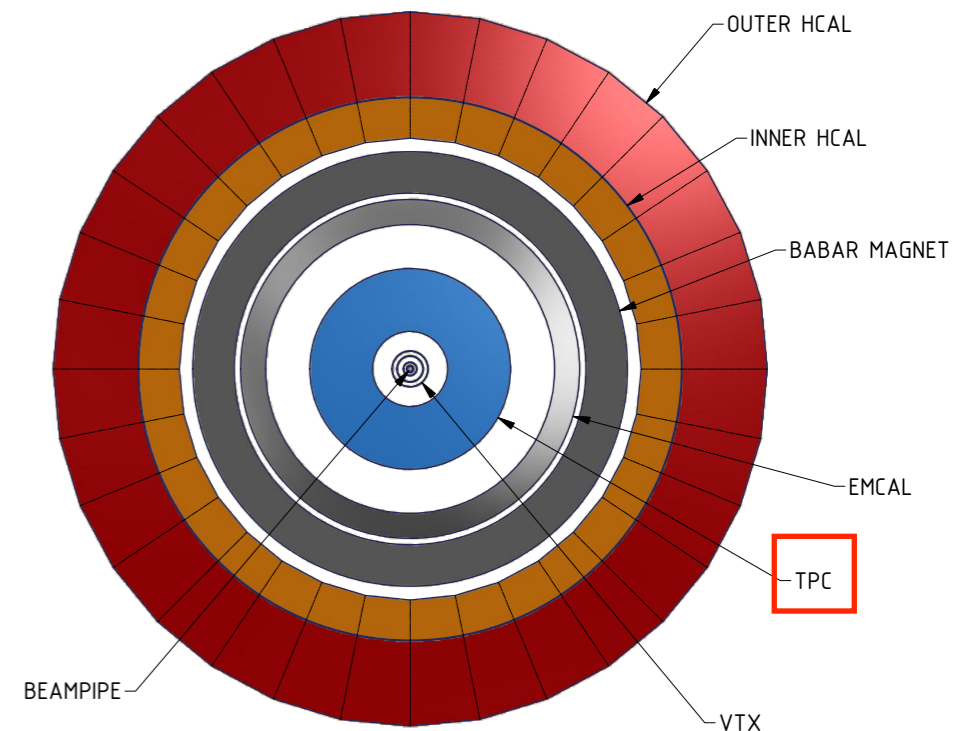
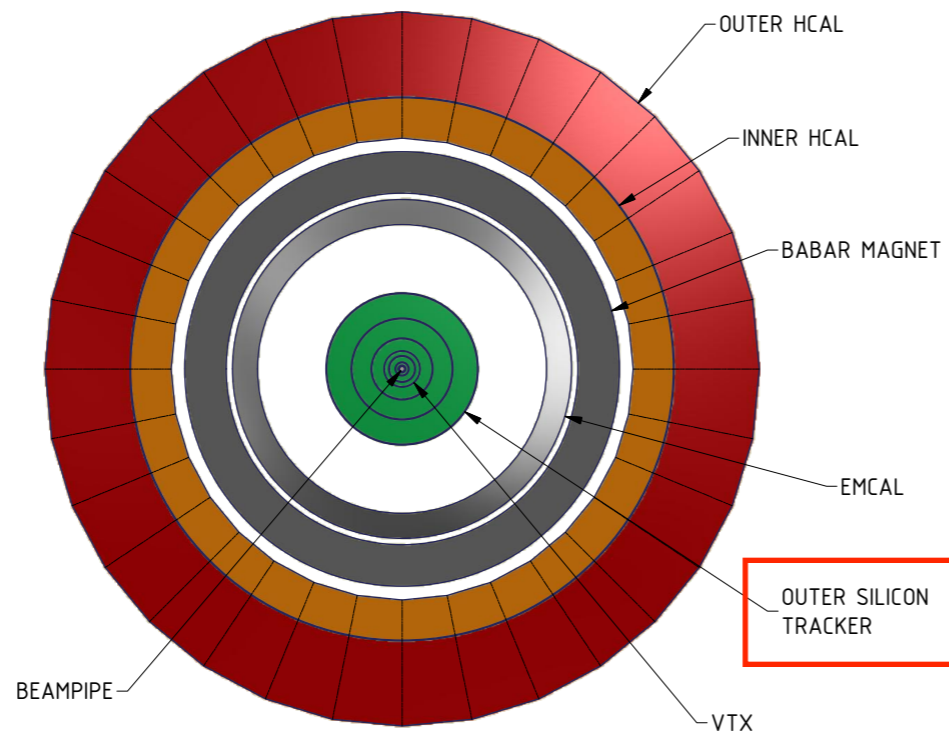
- Electron cooling will be available for BES-II
 - ▶ Electron cooling: by a factor of 3-10 increase in 5-20 GeV
 - ▶ Electron cooling + long bunches: by a factor of 2-5

sPHENIX upgrade for BES-II

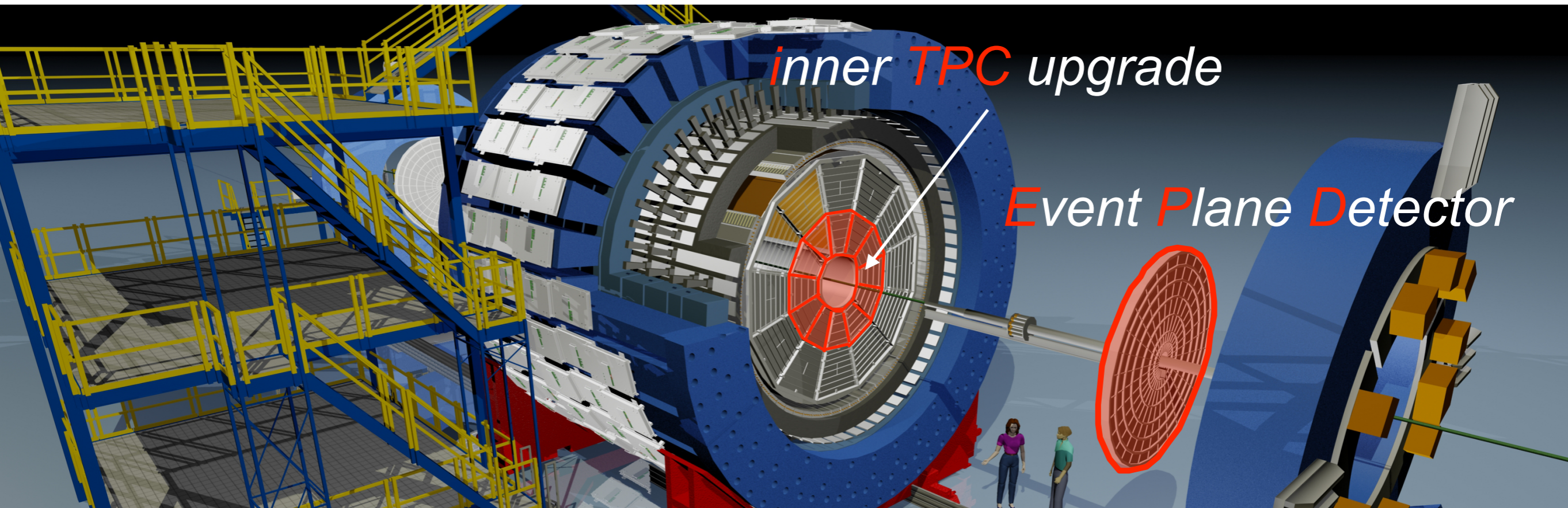
- Possible configurations in year 2019
- Option 1: EMCAL+VTX
- Option 2
 - ▶ Option 1+ Additional silicon trackers
- Option 3
 - ▶ Option 1+ TPC



Acceptance:
- $|\eta| < 1$
- Full azimuth



STAR upgrade for BES-II



- Event Plane Detector, $1.8 < |\eta| < 5$
 - ▶ Trigger, event plane, centrality
 - suppress backgrounds on flow measurements, independent centrality determination
- inner TPC upgrade
 - ▶ increase TPC acceptance from 1 to 1.5 in η
 - ▶ improve dE/dx resolution \rightarrow better PID

BES-II white papers

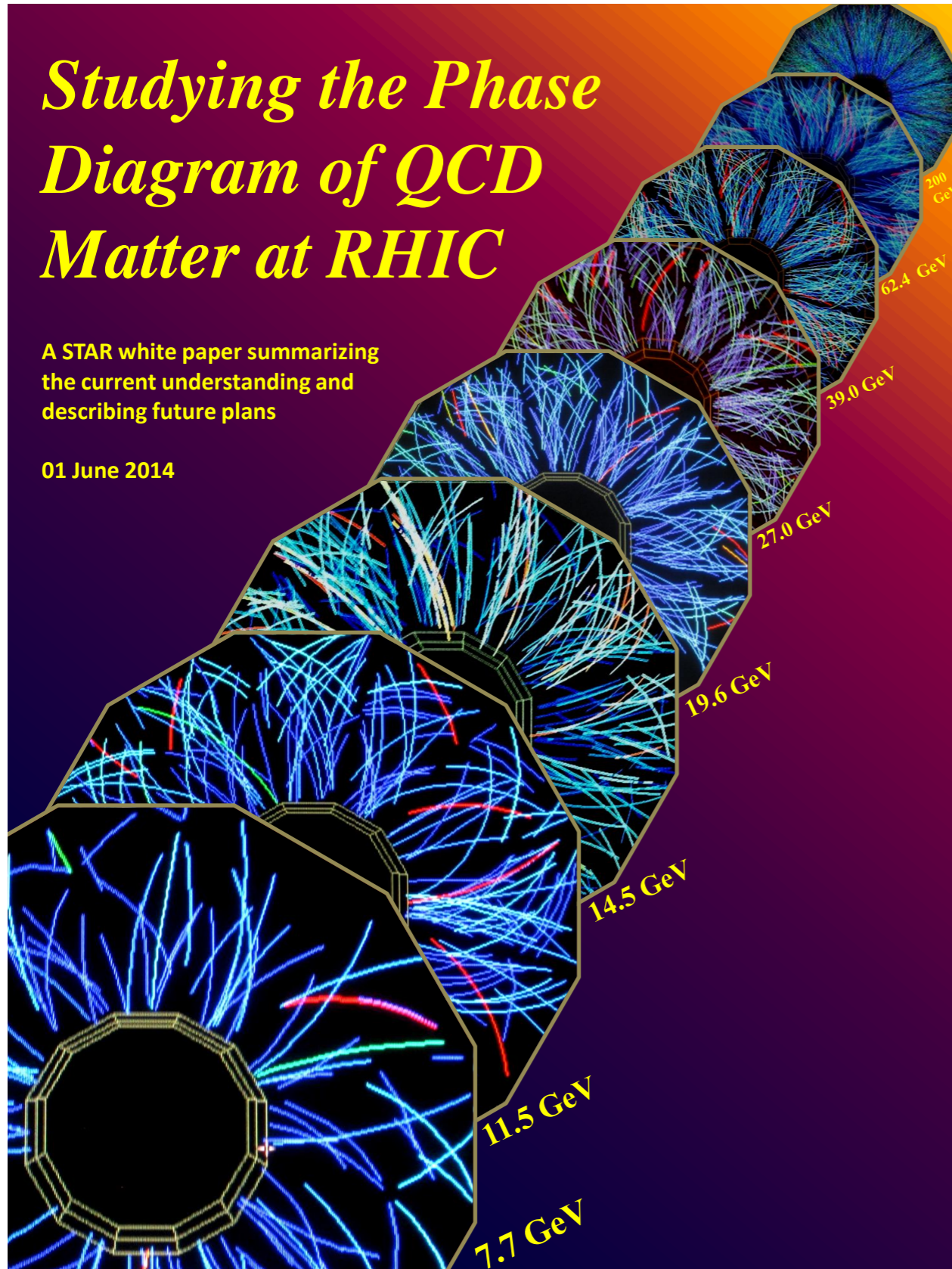
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Studying the Phase Diagram of QCD Matter at RHIC

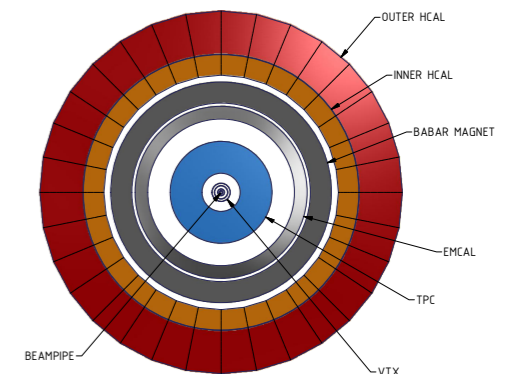
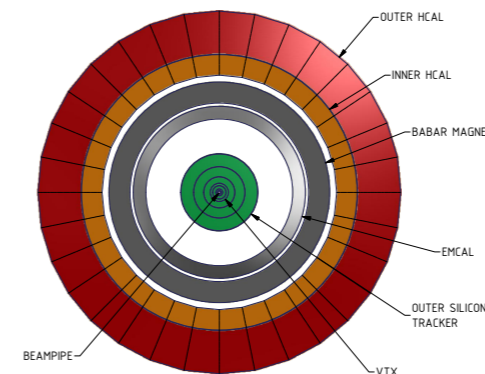
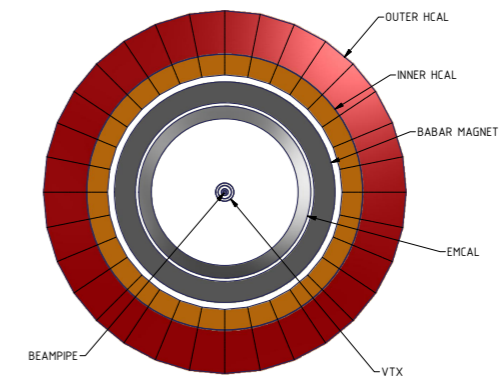
A STAR white paper summarizing the current understanding and describing future plans

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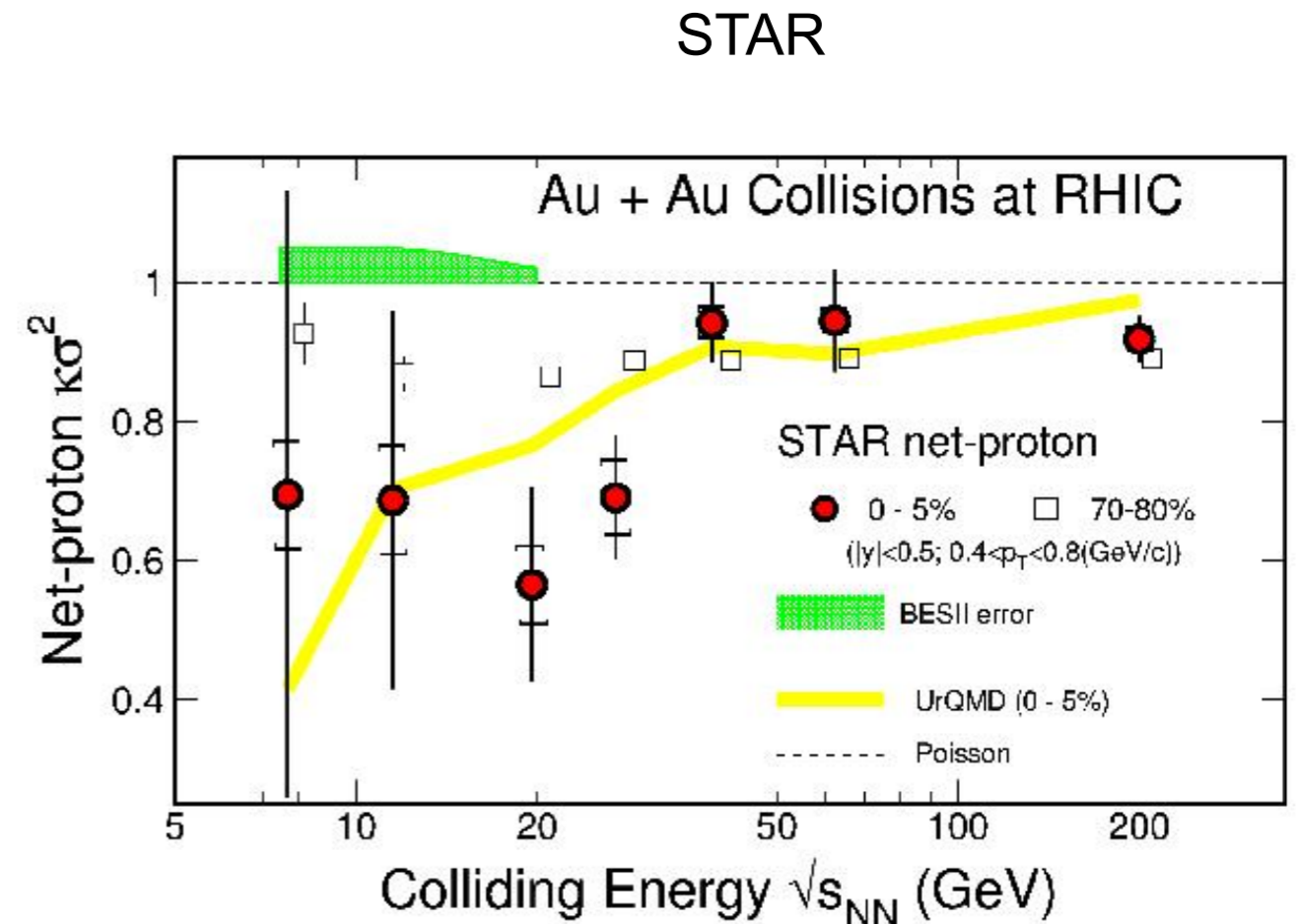
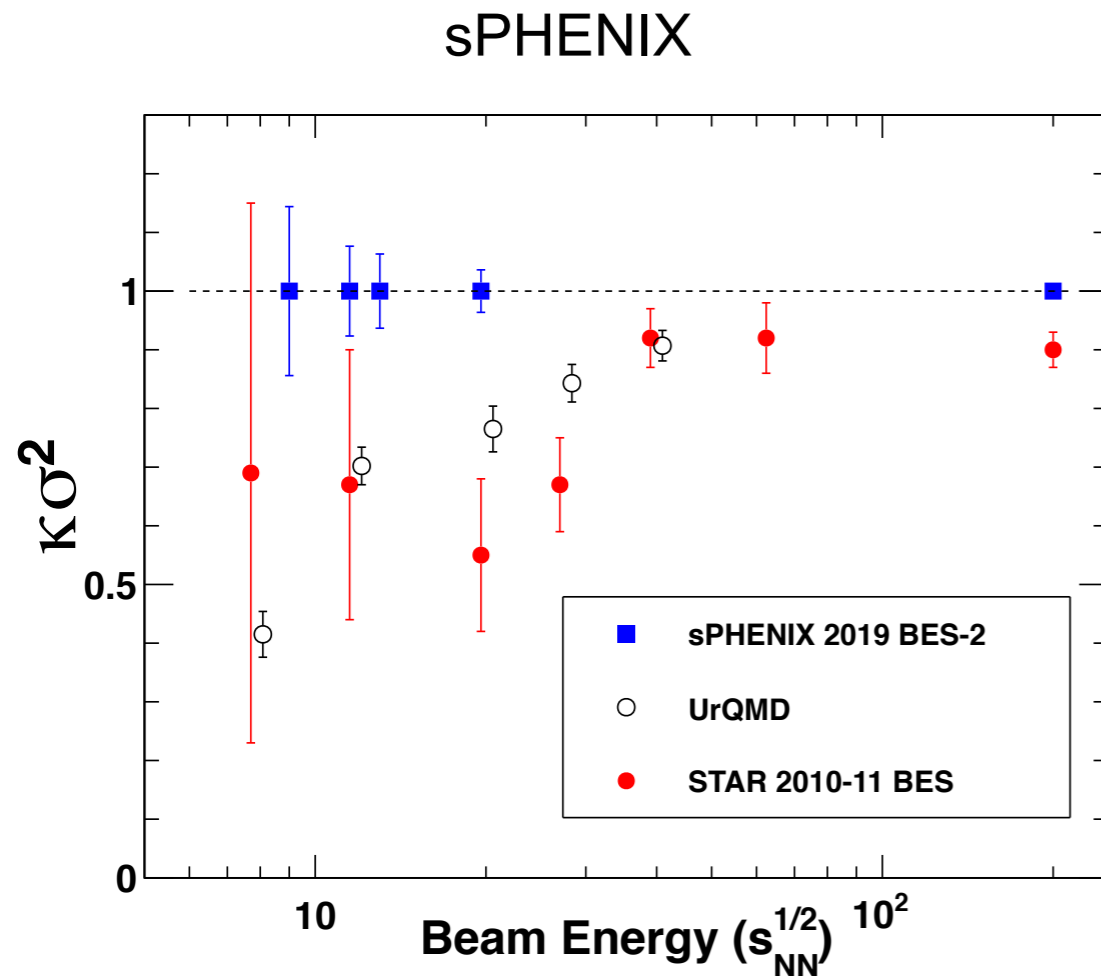
Beam Energy Scan II (2018–2019)

PHENIX Collaboration White Paper



Version 1: March 1, 2014

Projections for BES-II; fluctuations



- Net-proton moments

- ▶ By a factor of 2-4 improvements on statistical precision below 20 GeV
- ▶ Similar statistical errors for sPHENIX (with TPC) and STAR

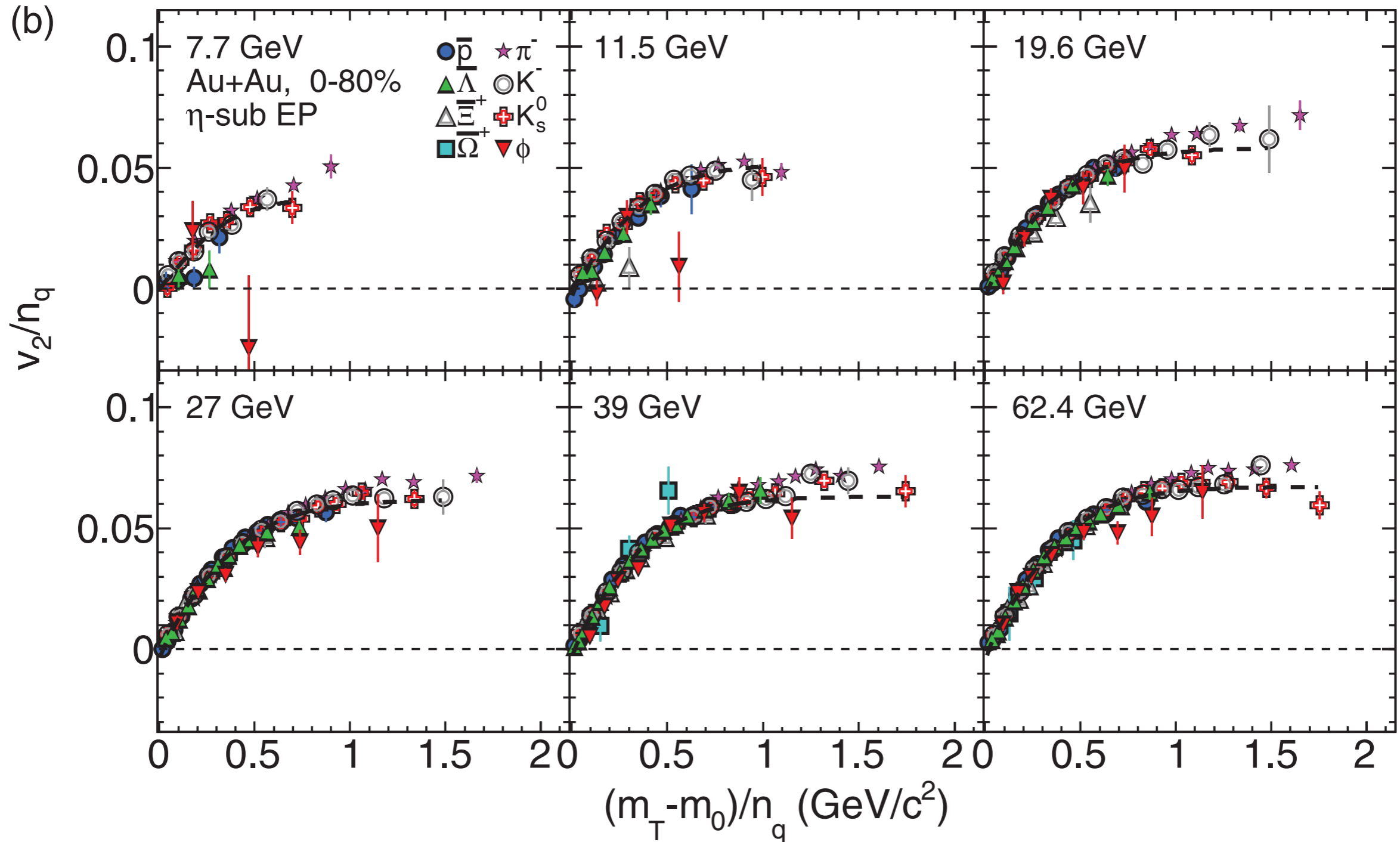
Summary

- Success of RHIC Beam Energy Scan phase-I
 - ▶ Several observables show a hint of possible turn-off signature of QGP
 - Turn-off/onset of QGP ? → BES phase II, future FAIR, J-PARC heavy ion programs
 - ▶ Non-monotonic behavior of directed flow and asHBT radii
 - 1st order phase transition ? → Quantitative and systematic model comparisons
 - ▶ Possible non-monotonic behavior of conserved charge fluctuations
 - QCD critical point ? → Precision measurements & Lattice QCD calculation
- We need precision measurements below 20 GeV
 - ▶ BES phase-II in 2018, 2019
 - ▶ Significant improvements on statistical precisions by RHIC luminosity & sPHENIX/STAR detector upgrades
 - ▶ BES-II white papers
 - sPHENIX: http://www.phenix.bnl.gov/phenix/WWW/publish/dave/sPHENIX/BES_II_whitepaper.pdf
 - STAR: https://drupal.star.bnl.gov/STAR/system/files/BES_WPII_ver6.9_Cover.pdf

Back up

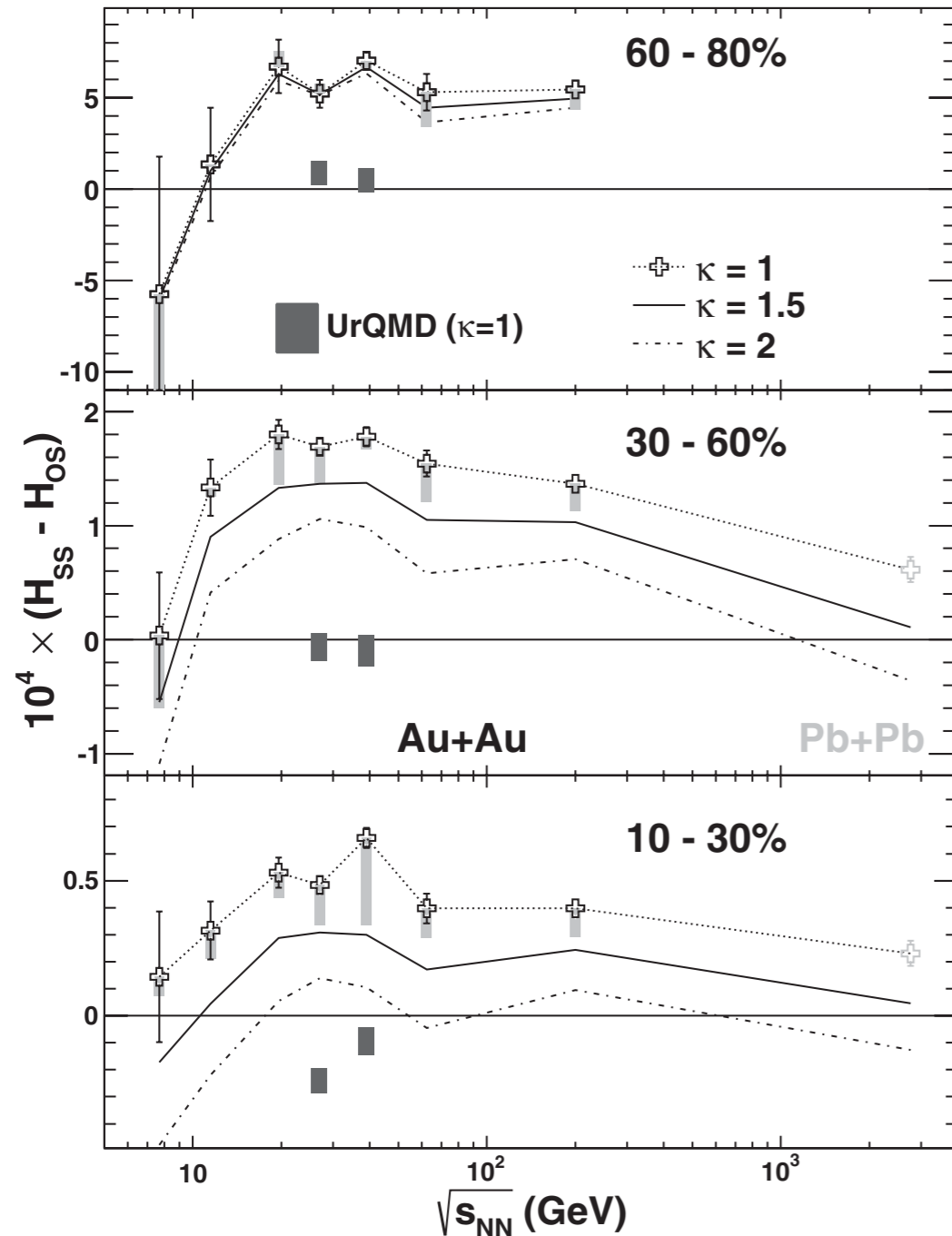
NCQ scaling of v_2 for anti-particles

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CME signal

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$$\gamma \equiv \langle \cos(\phi_1 + \phi_2 - 2\Psi_{RP}) \rangle = \kappa v_2 F - H,$$

$$\delta \equiv \langle \cos(\phi_1 - \phi_2) \rangle = F + H,$$

H : CME contribution,

F : background contribution, κ : parameter

- Decompose measured correlation to CME (H) and background (F) contributions

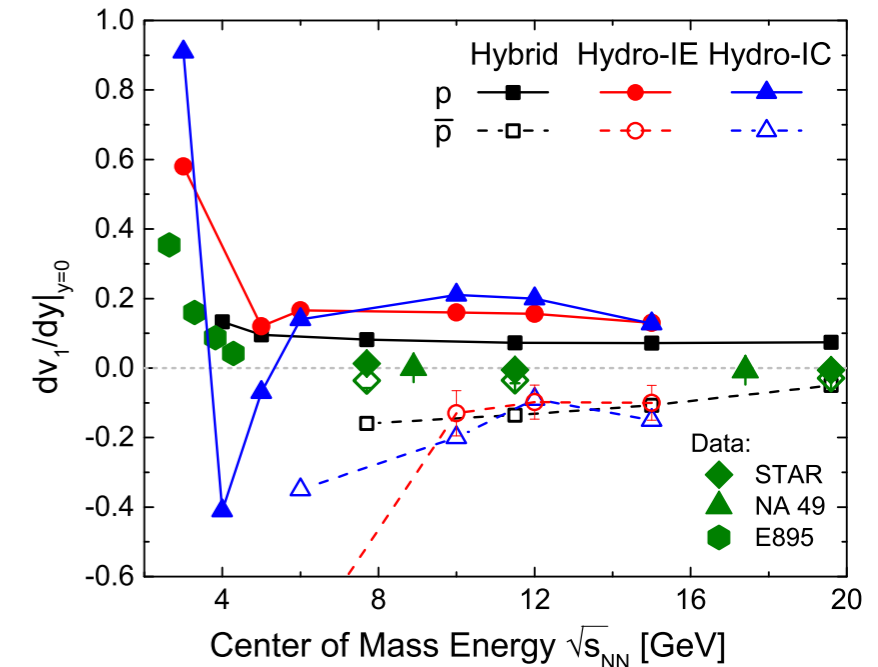
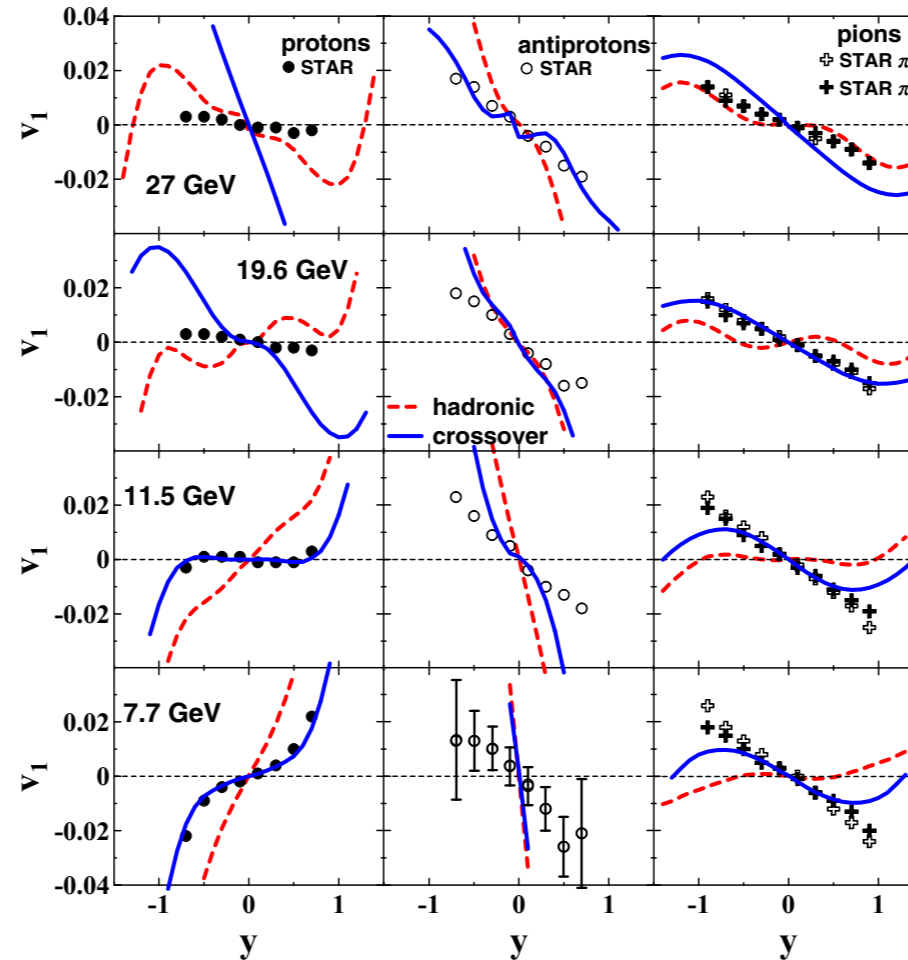
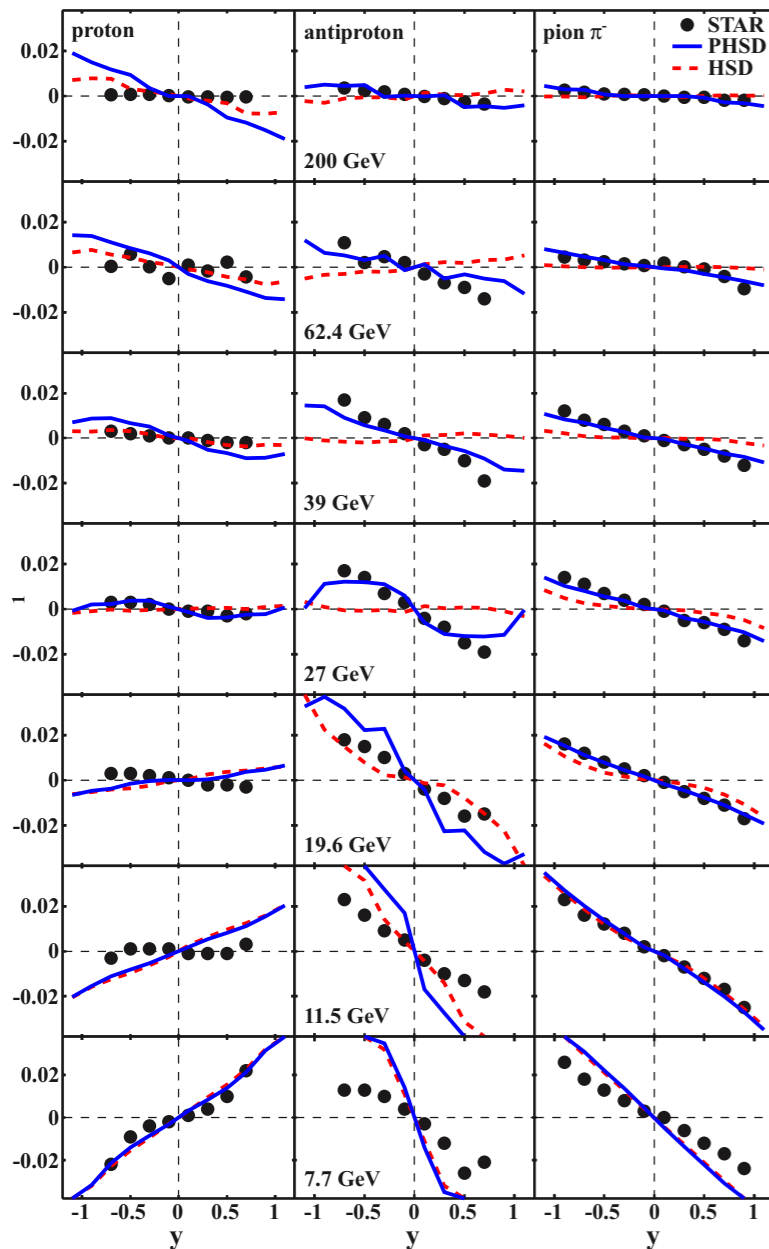
- based on A. Bzdak et al, Lect. Notes Phys. 871, 503 (2013)

- ▶ assume γ is linearly proportional to v_2

Directed flow, model calculations

V. P. Konchakovski et al, *PRC90*, 014903 (2014)

J. Steinheimer et al, *PRC89*, 054923 (2014)



- PHSD (or HSD) vs hydro with hadronic, crossover EOS
- Hybrid (UrQMD IS + Hydro + UrQMD hadronic phase) vs hydro only with different freeze-out

Beam time request for BES-II

PHENIX

Table 4.2: An outline of the PHENIX run request for the BES II program. The running time is integrated to cover a single year of RHIC running that spans 22 cryo-weeks, or 19 weeks of physics running depending on ramp-up and switching times. Higher priority is given to the data sets listed first. The number of events refers to good events within the baseline sPHENIX configuration requiring $|z_{vertex}| < 10$ cm including the PHENIX and RHIC duty factor. Also included are event estimates with a wider $|z_{vertex}| < 30$ cm and $|z_{vertex}| < 1$ m cut that could be applied if a TPC is installed.

Species	$\sqrt{s_{NN}}$	μ_B	Run Time (Days)	Events(M)		
	(GeV)	(MeV)		$ z_{vtx} < 10\text{cm}$	$ z_{vtx} < 30\text{cm}$	$ z_{vtx} < 1\text{m}$
	11.5	315	45	15	45	112.5
	13.0	281	23	17	50	125
Au+Au	9.0	376	41	6	17	42.5
	19.6	205	4	33	100	2500
	200	20	10	1200	3600	9000
p+p	200		10	1.2 pb^{-1}	3.6 pb^{-1}	9 pb^{-1}

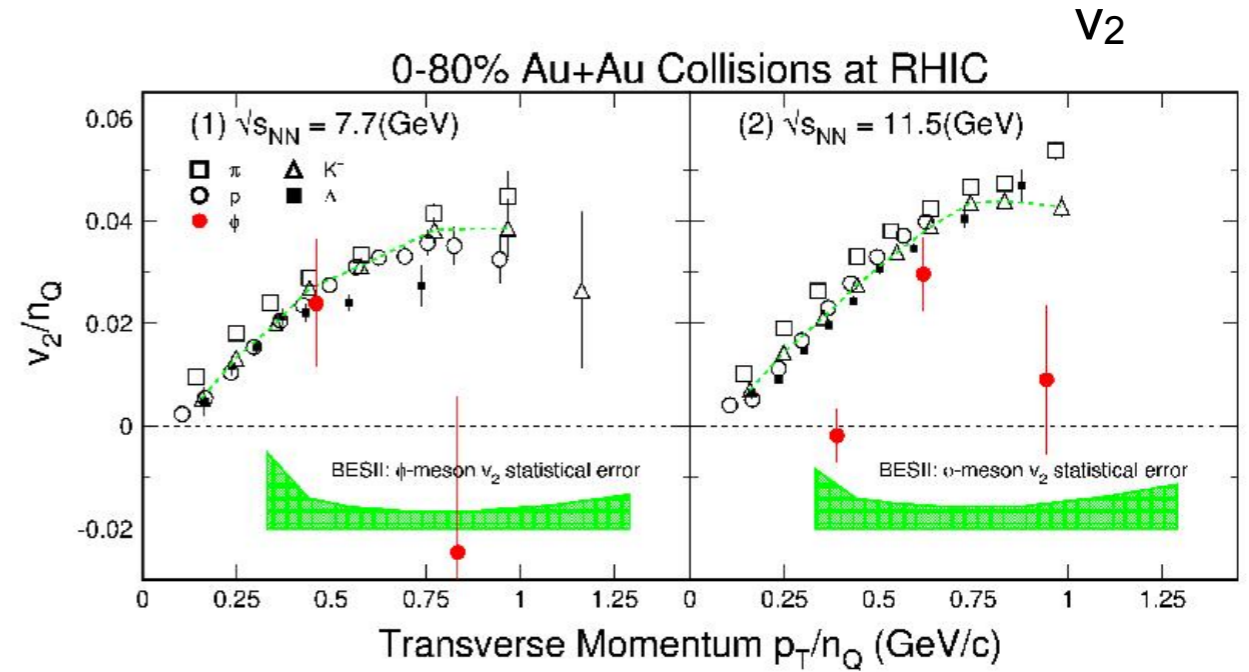
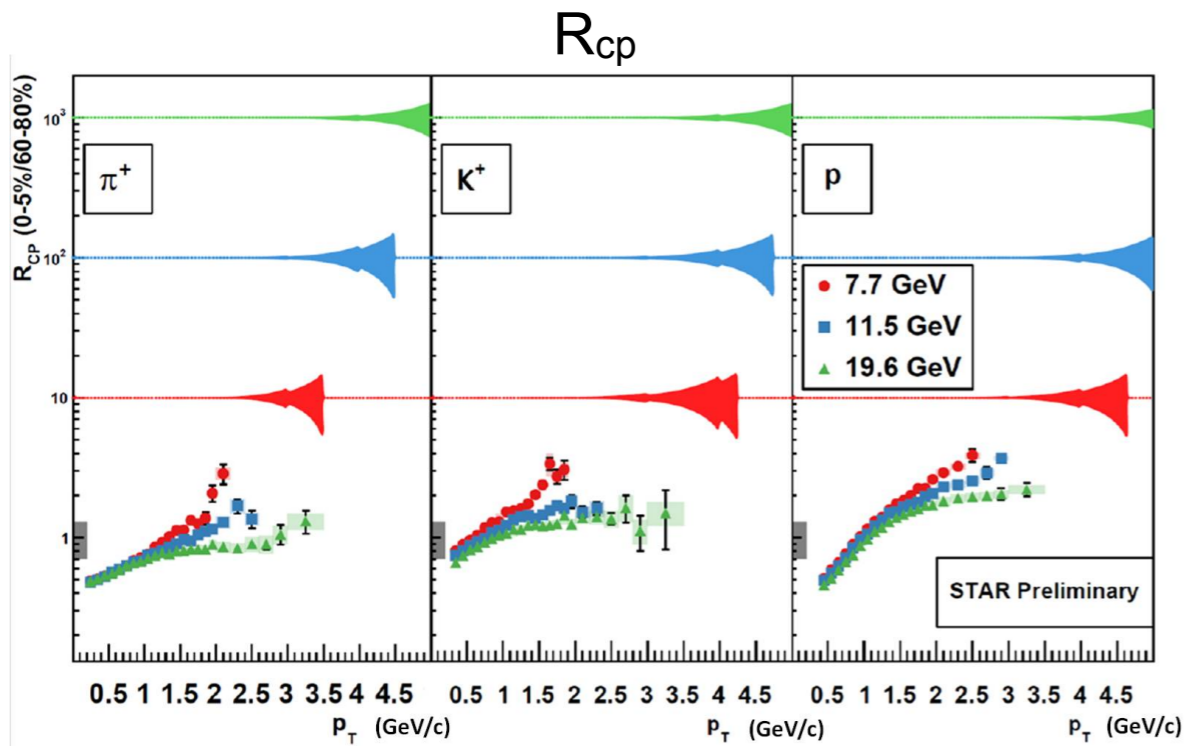
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Table 3. Beam Energy Scan Phase-II proposal for 22 weeks of RHIC running in each of the years 2018 and 2019.

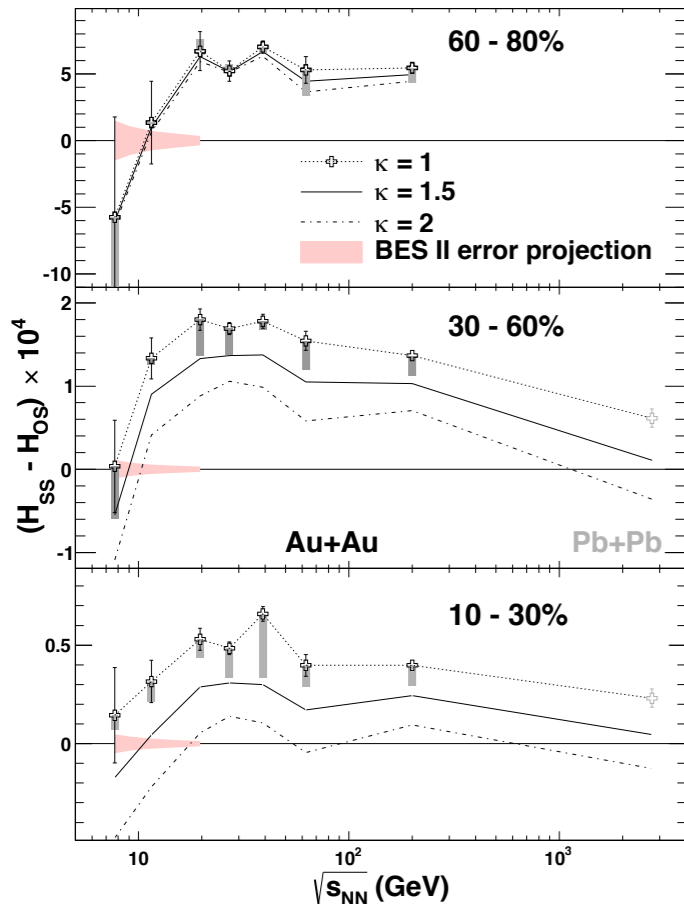
	7.7	9.1	11.5	14.5	19.6
Collision Energy (GeV)	7.7	9.1	11.5	14.5	19.6
μ_B (MeV) in 0-5% Central Collisions	420	370	315	260	205
BES-I (Million Events)	4	–	12	20	36
BES-I Event Rate (Million Events/Day)	0.25	0.6	1.7	2.4	4.5
BES-I Int. Luminosity ($1 \times 10^{25}/\text{cm}^2\text{ s}$)	0.13	0.5	1.5	2.1	4.0
e-Cooling Luminosity Improvement Factor	4	4	4	8	15(4)
BES Phase-II (Million Events)	100	160	230	300	400
Required Beam Time (Weeks)	14	9.5	5.0	2.5	4.0+

- Focused on $\sqrt{s_{NN}} < 20$ GeV
 - ▶ One year (2019) request from PHENIX
 - ▶ Two year (2018, 2019) request from STAR

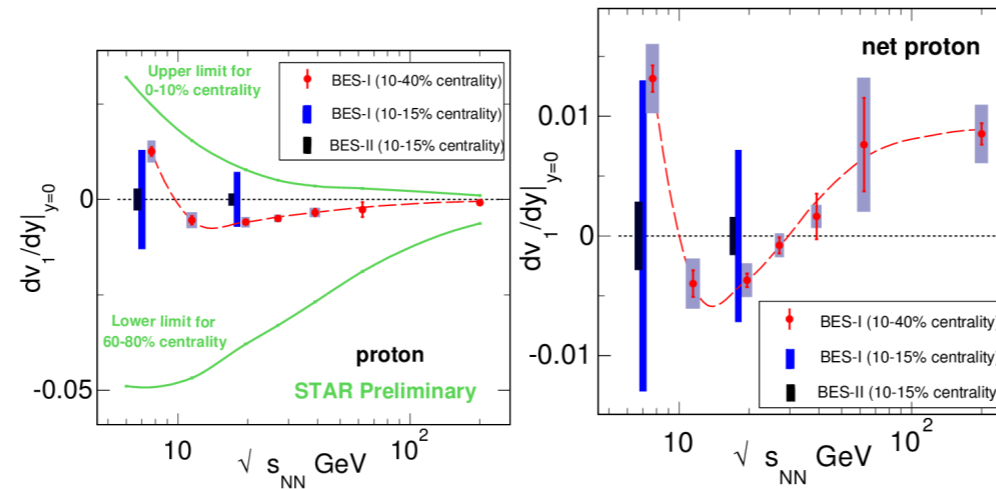
BES-II projections



charge separation



Directed flow



Di-lepton LMR excess

