

# sPHENIX Heavy Flavor Overview

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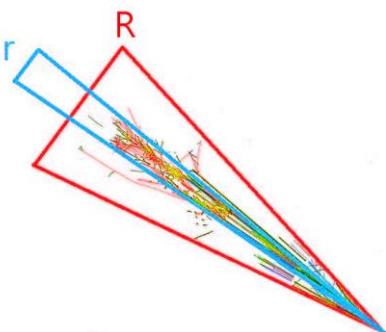


# Core physics programs

See also: Nov-7 D. Anderson, Nov-9 C. Hughes, J. Osborn

## Jet cor. & substructure

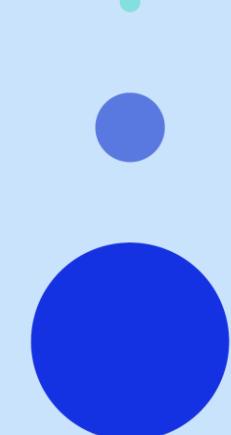
Vary momentum/  
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## Parton energy loss

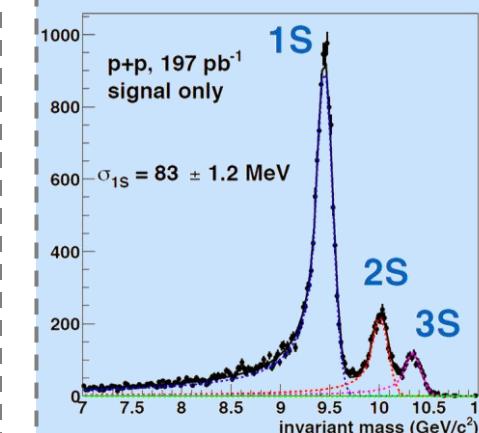
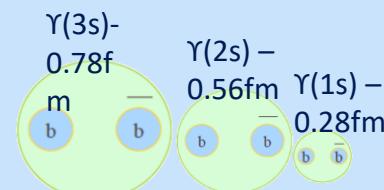
Vary mass/  
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g  
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## Upsilon spectroscopy

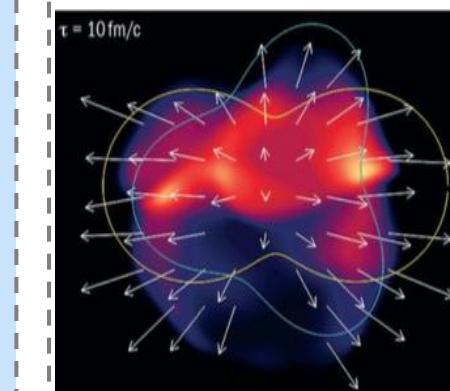
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Focus of this talk

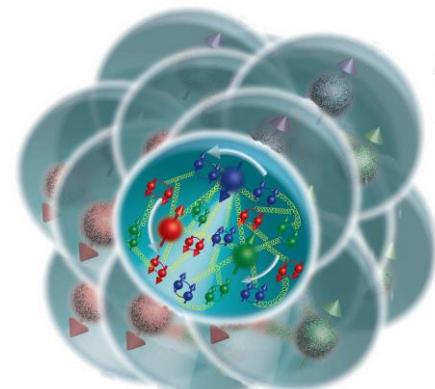
## Bulk Medium

Global/local  
medium properties

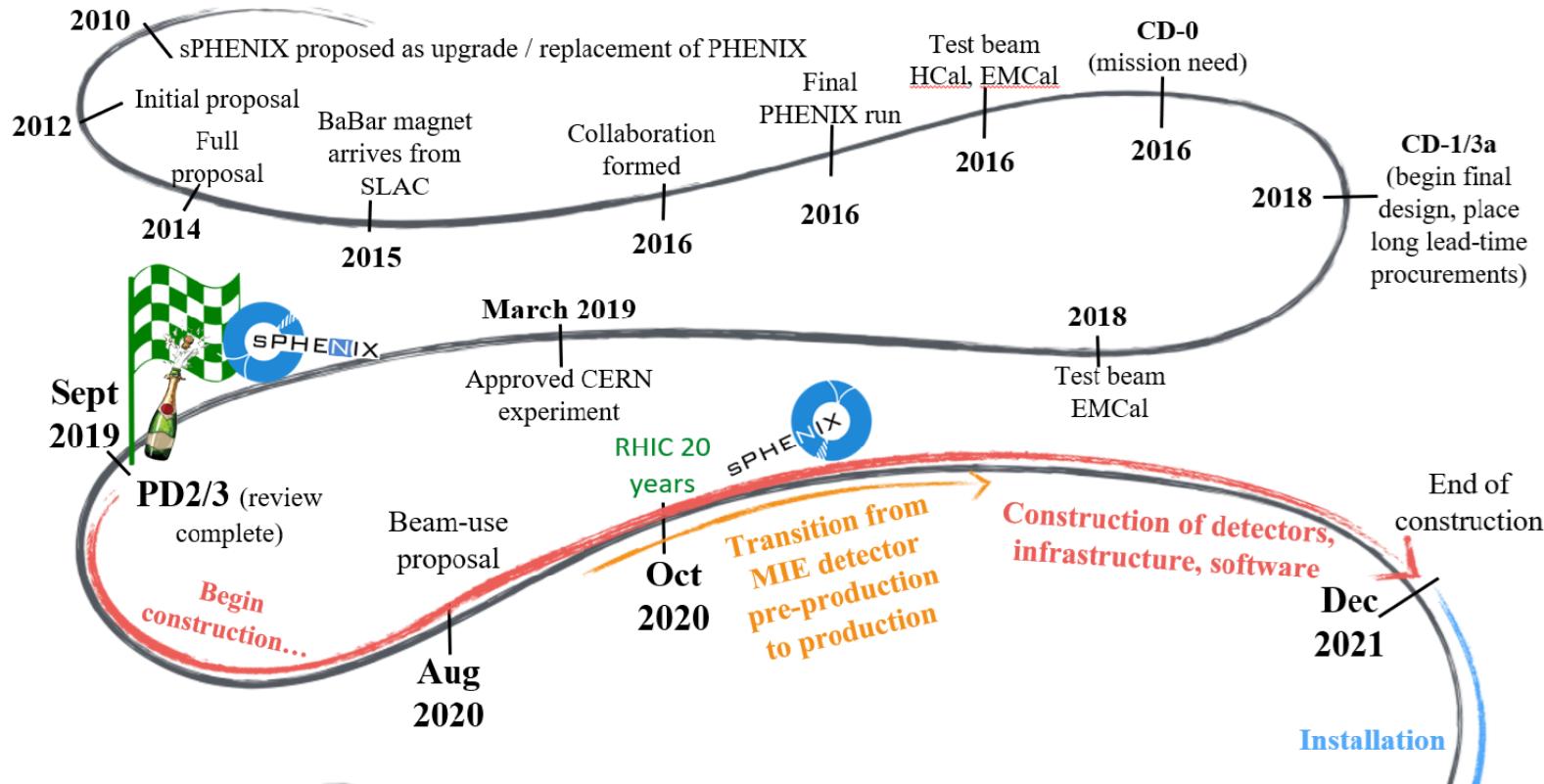


## Cold QCD

Vary temperature  
of QCD matter



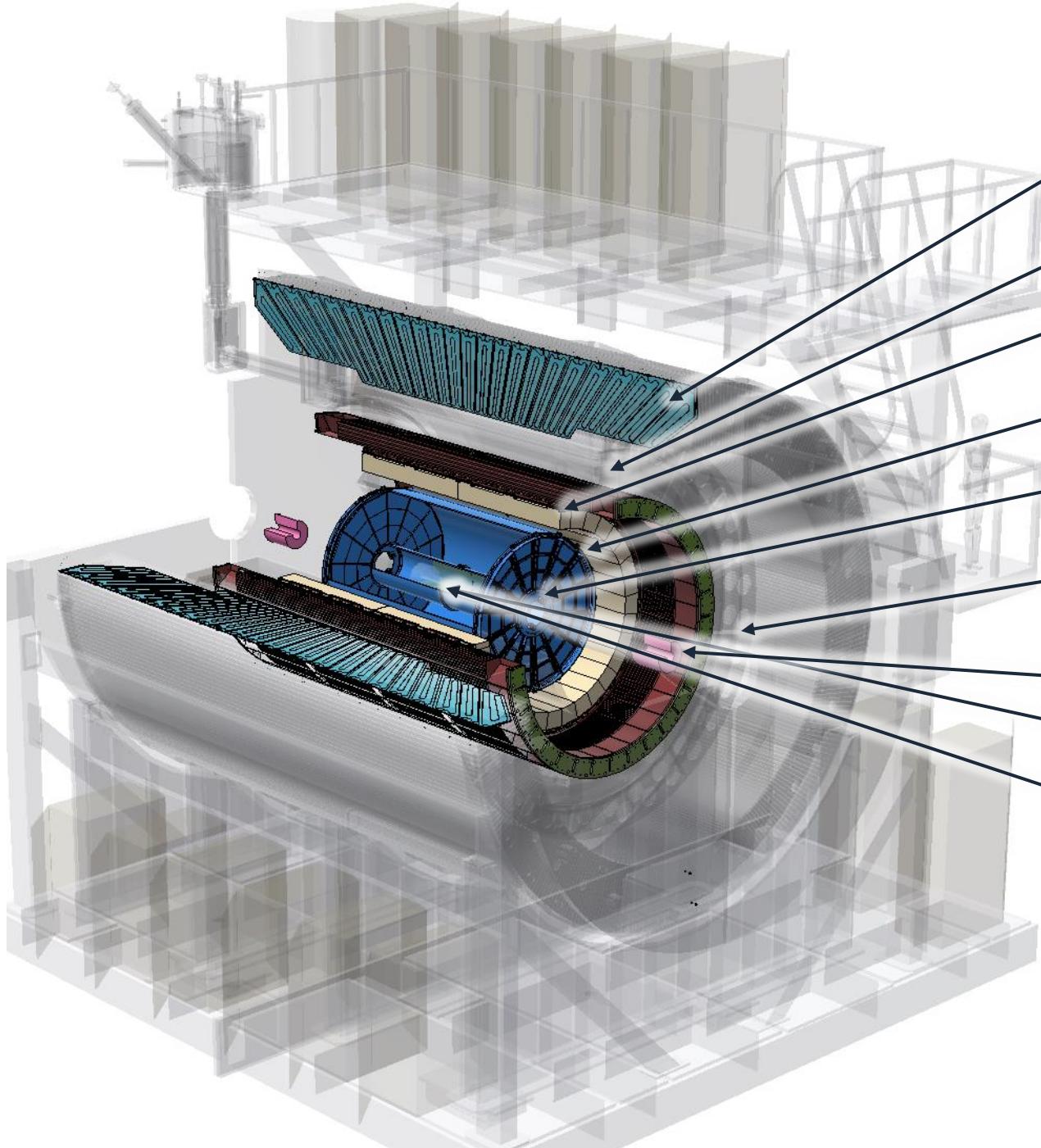
Also: HF as a unique probe for hot and cQCD systems



2nd workshop on advancing the understanding of non-perturbative QCD using energy flow

Nov 6 – 9, 2023  
Stony Brook University/Online  
America/New\_York timezone

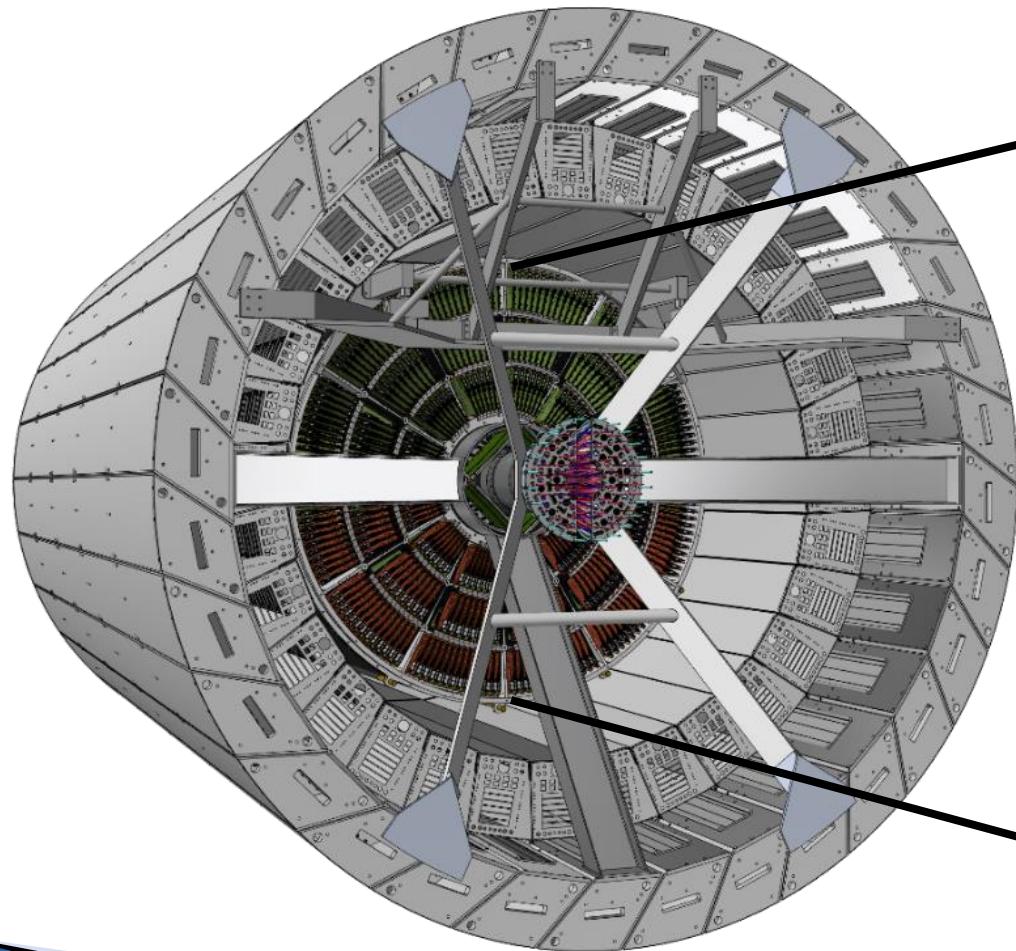
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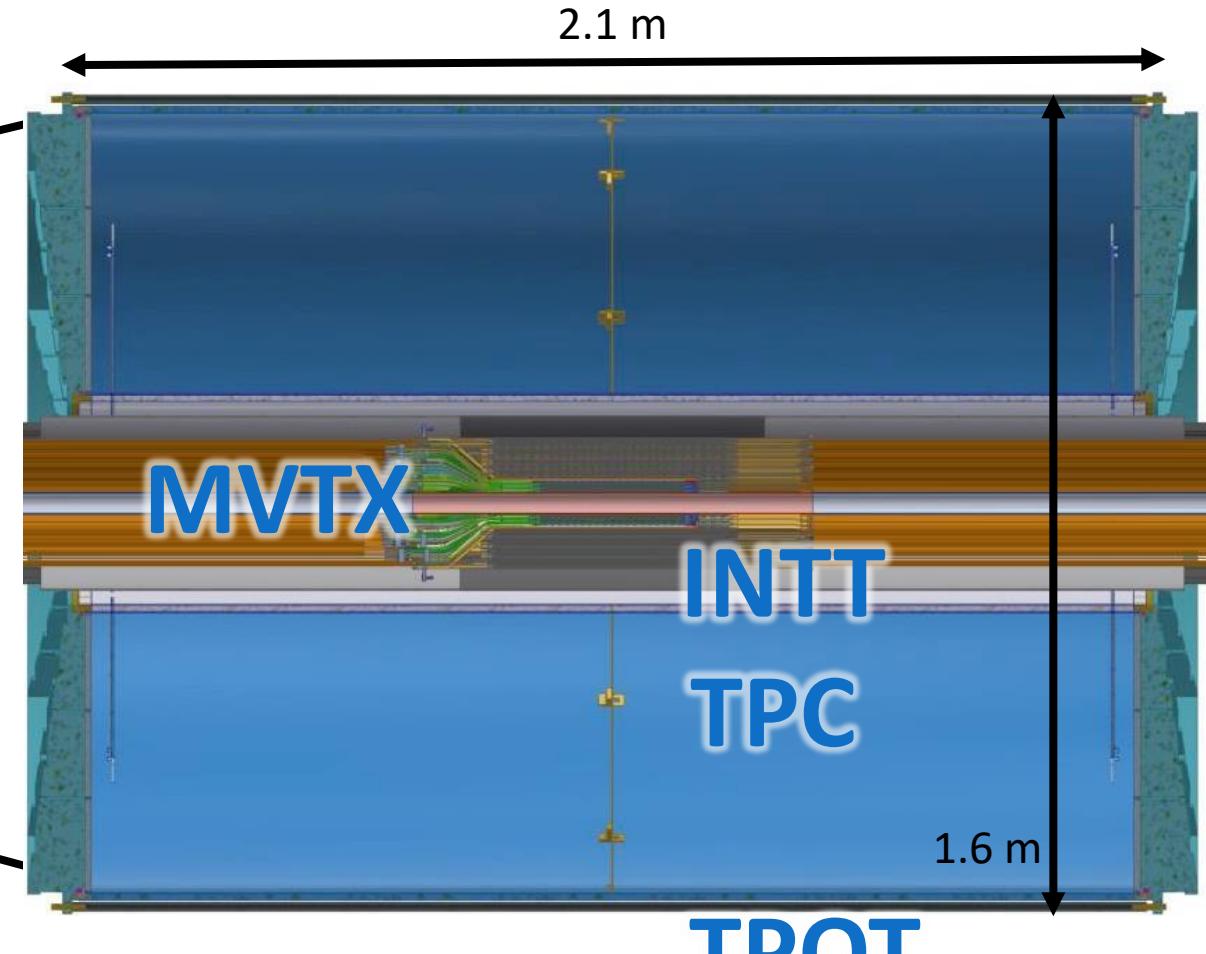
- Hadronic Calorimeter(s)**
- 1.4 T super conducting magnet**
- Electromagnetic Calorimeter**
- Micromegas Outer Tracker (TPOT)**
- Time Projection Chamber (TPC)**
- Event plane detector (EPD)**
- M.B. and Event Plane Detectors**
- Intermediate Tracker (INTT)**
- MicroVertex Detector (MVTX)**
- DAQ:**
- 15 kHz calo trigger + 10% streaming**
- 10 GB/s data logging**

# sPHENIX Tracking Detectors

See also: Nov-9 C. Hughes



Detectors inside the magnet





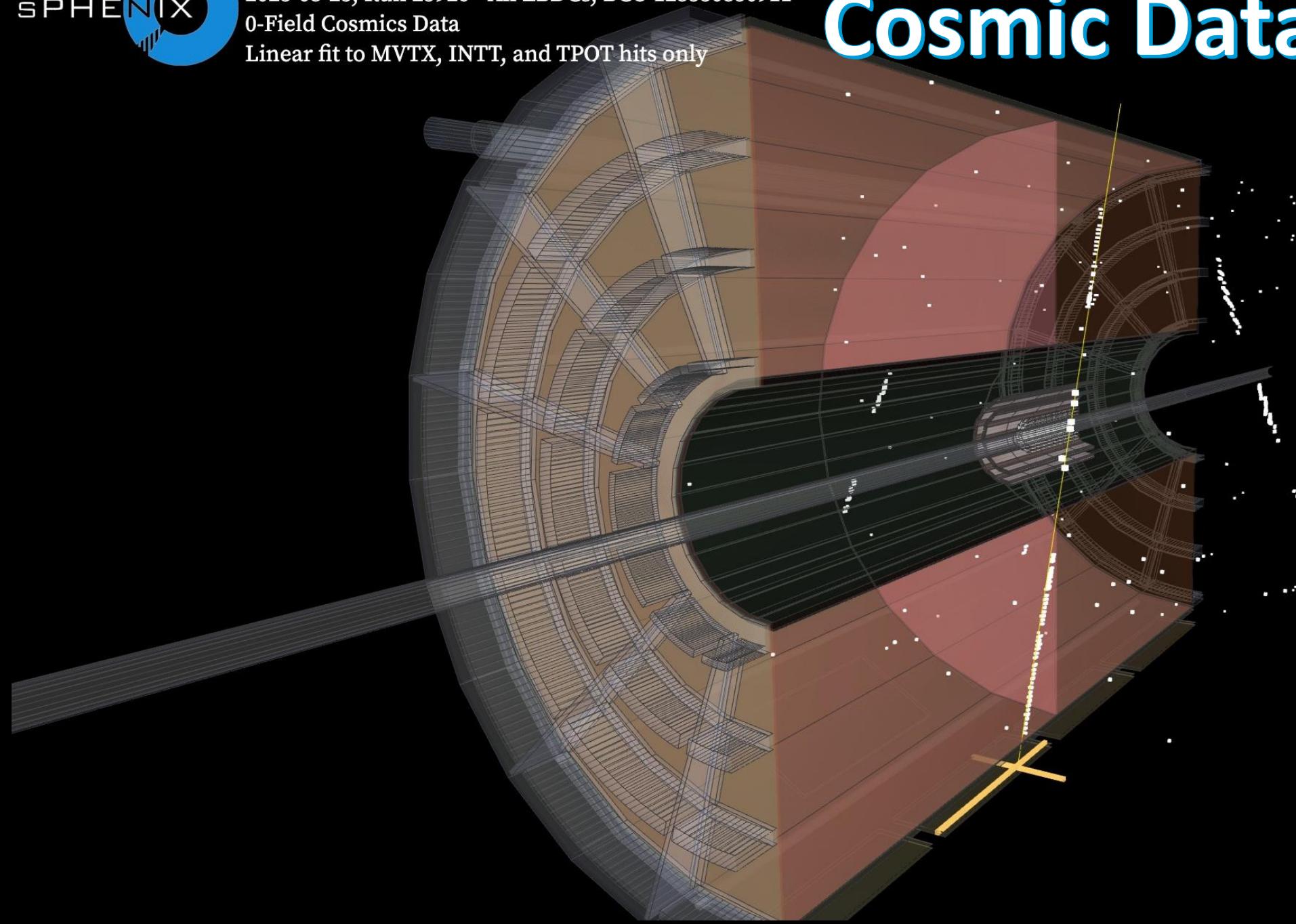
sPHENIX Tracker

2023-08-23, Run 25926 - All EBDCs, BCO 128330850911

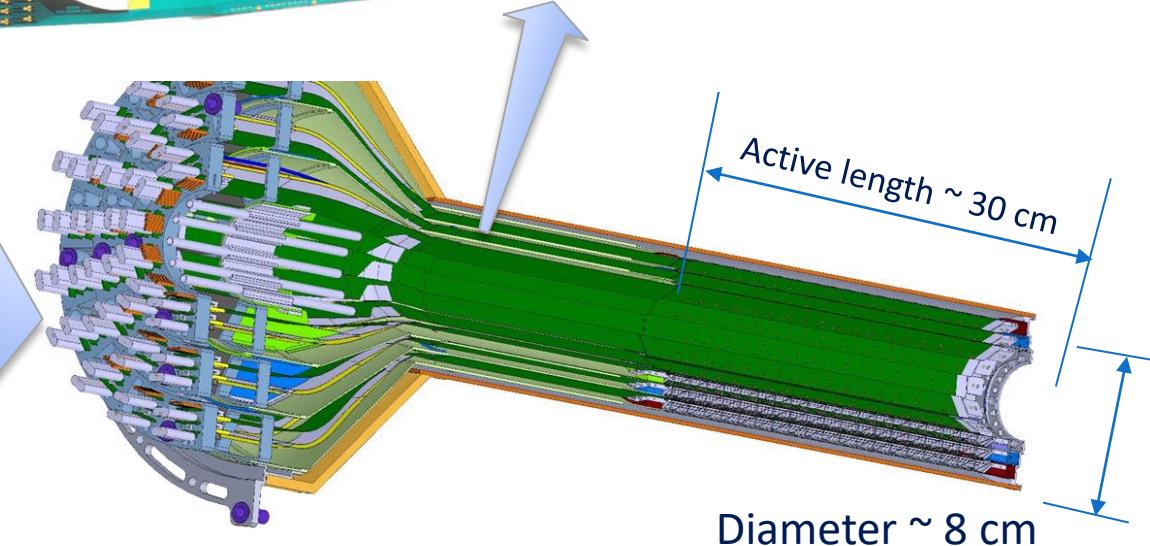
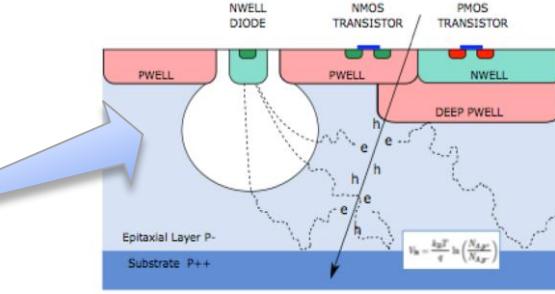
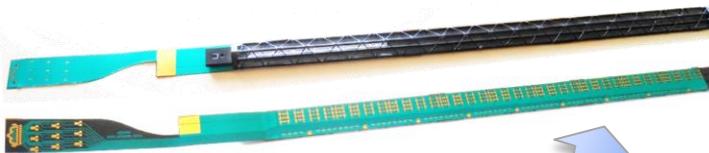
0-Field Cosmics Data

Linear fit to MVTX, INTT, and TPOT hits only

# Cosmic Data, B=0

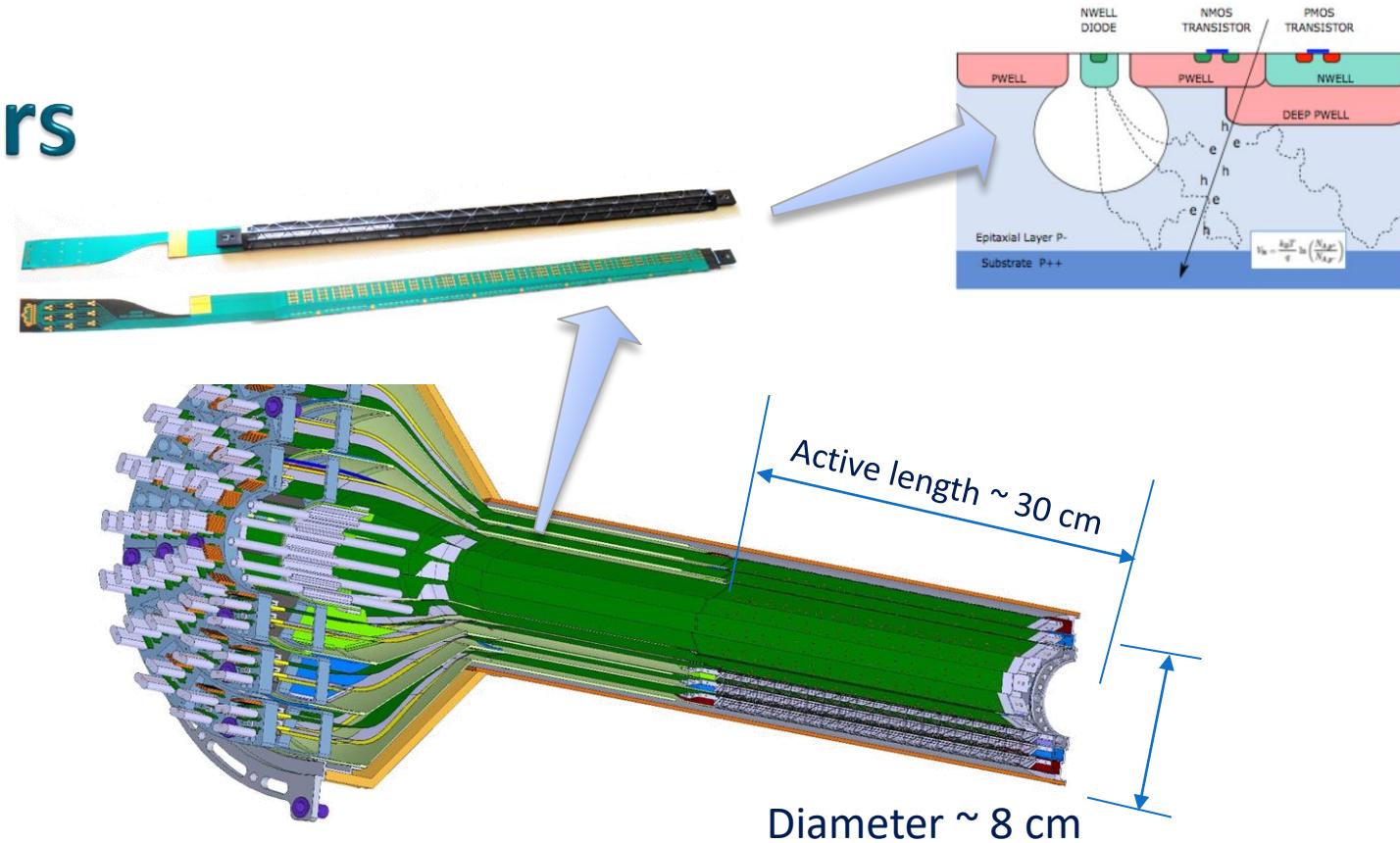
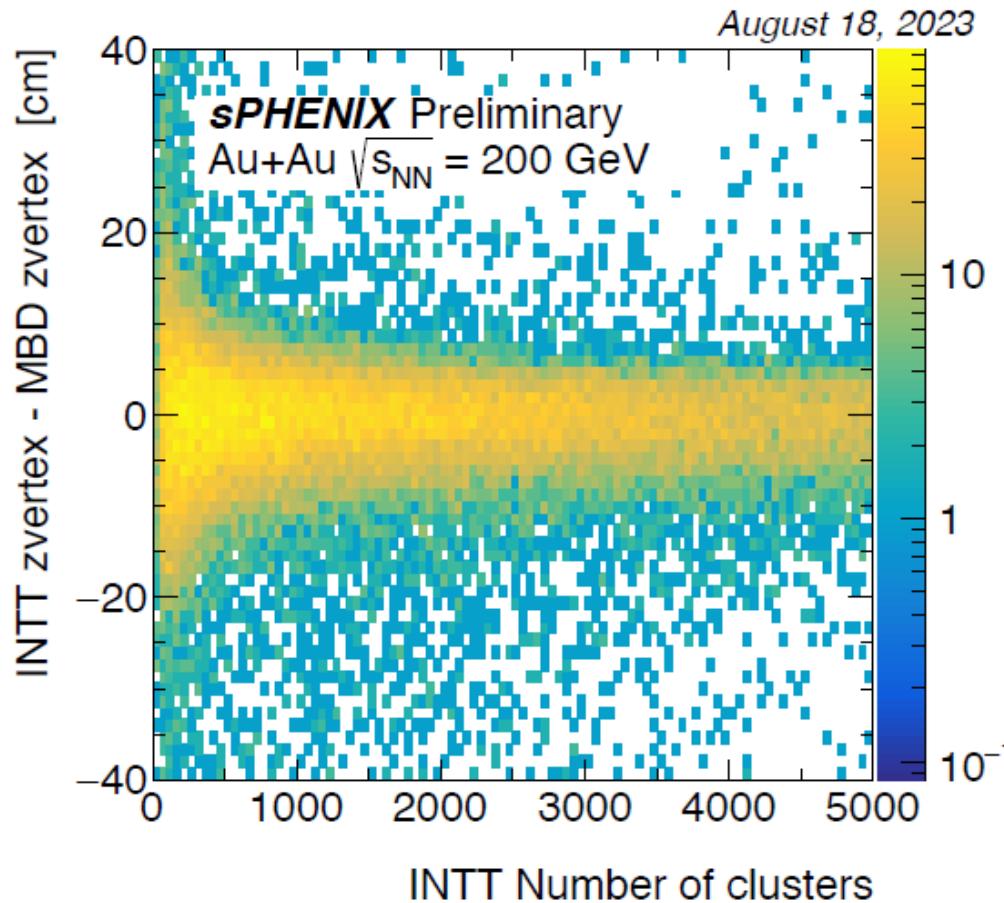


# Precision vertex trackers



- ▶ **MVTX:** MAPS based vertex tracker, 3 layers
  - Using staves from ALICE ITS2 upgrade
  - ALPIDE chip, 30um pitch, Low mass ( $\sim 0.3\% X_0$ )
  - 5um position resolution, 5-10us integration time
- ▶ **INTT:** silicon strip tracker, 2 layers
  - 78 um pitch, provides timing tag resolving bunch crossing

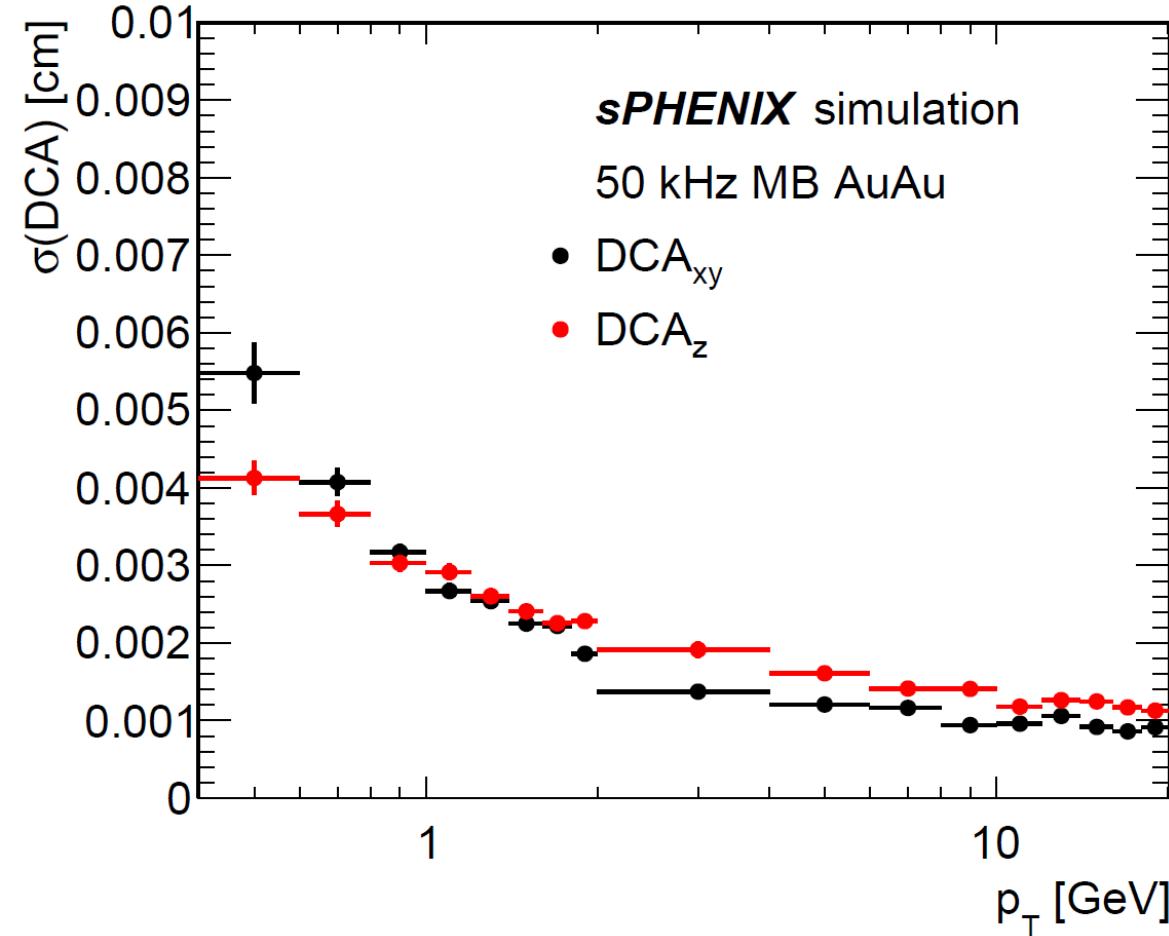
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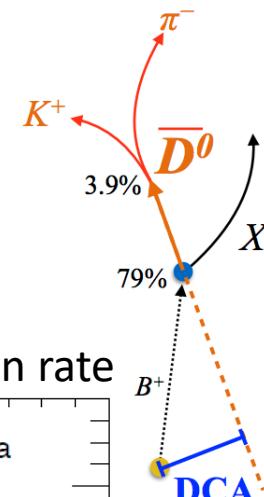
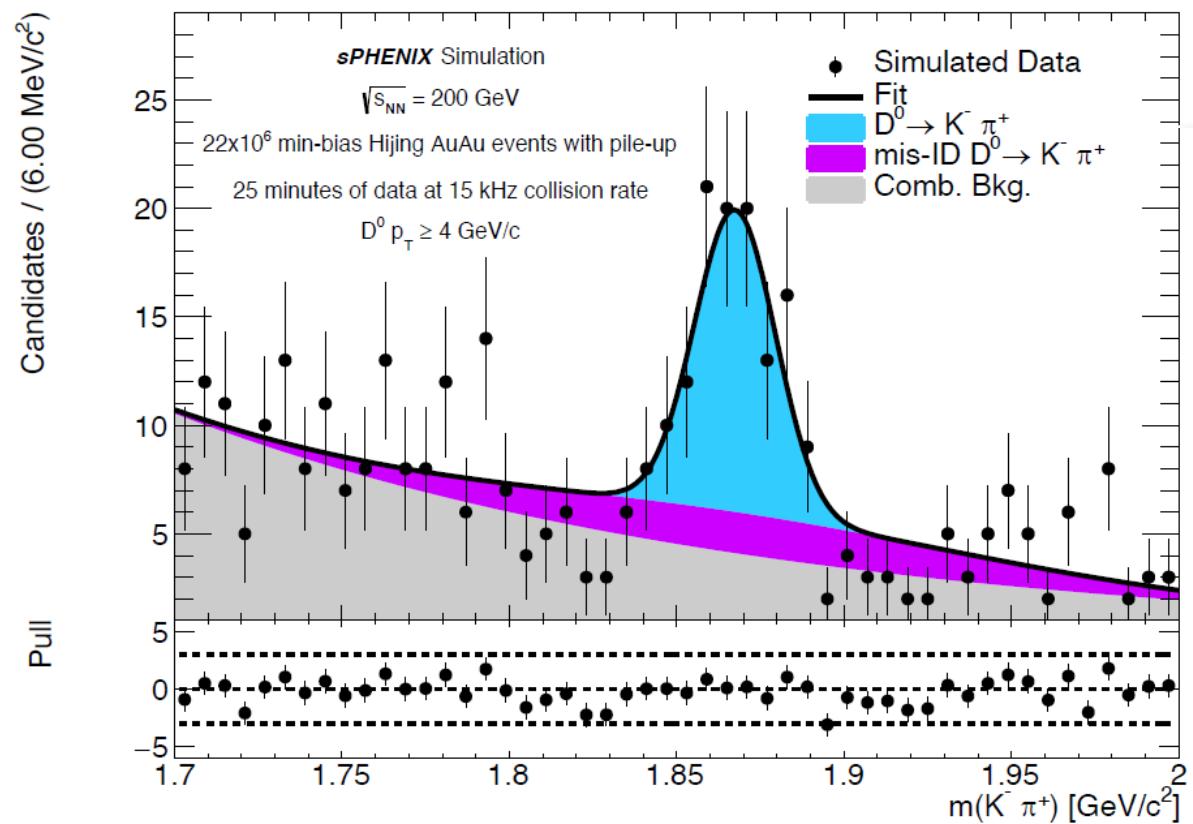
# Cleanly separate open bottom meson via DCA

DCA resolution

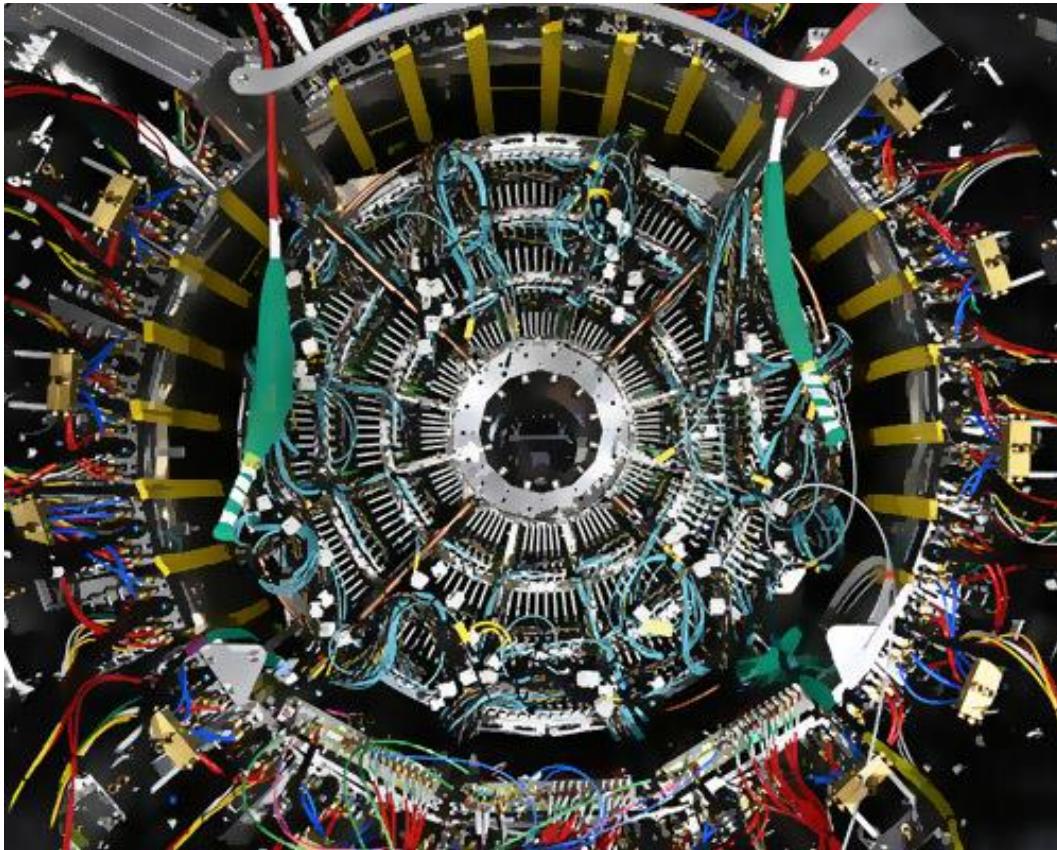


Precision vertex + fast DAQ → large HF sample

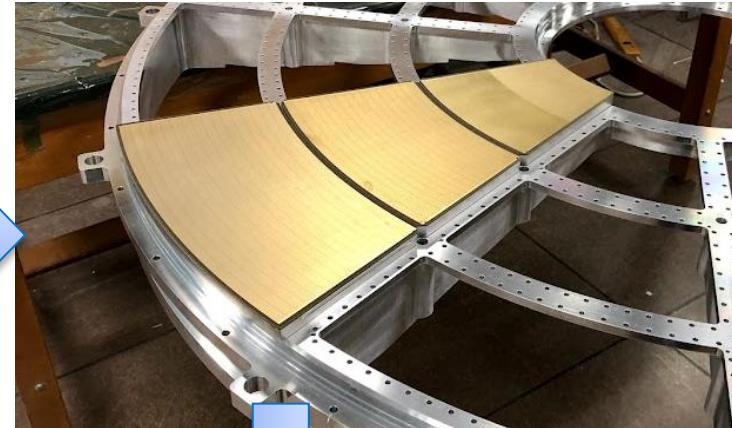
Simulation: 25 minutes of data at 15 kHz collision rate



# Main tracker: Time projection chamber (TPC)



Installed TPC in sPHENIX



Pad Planes



TPC FEE



FELIX Readout card

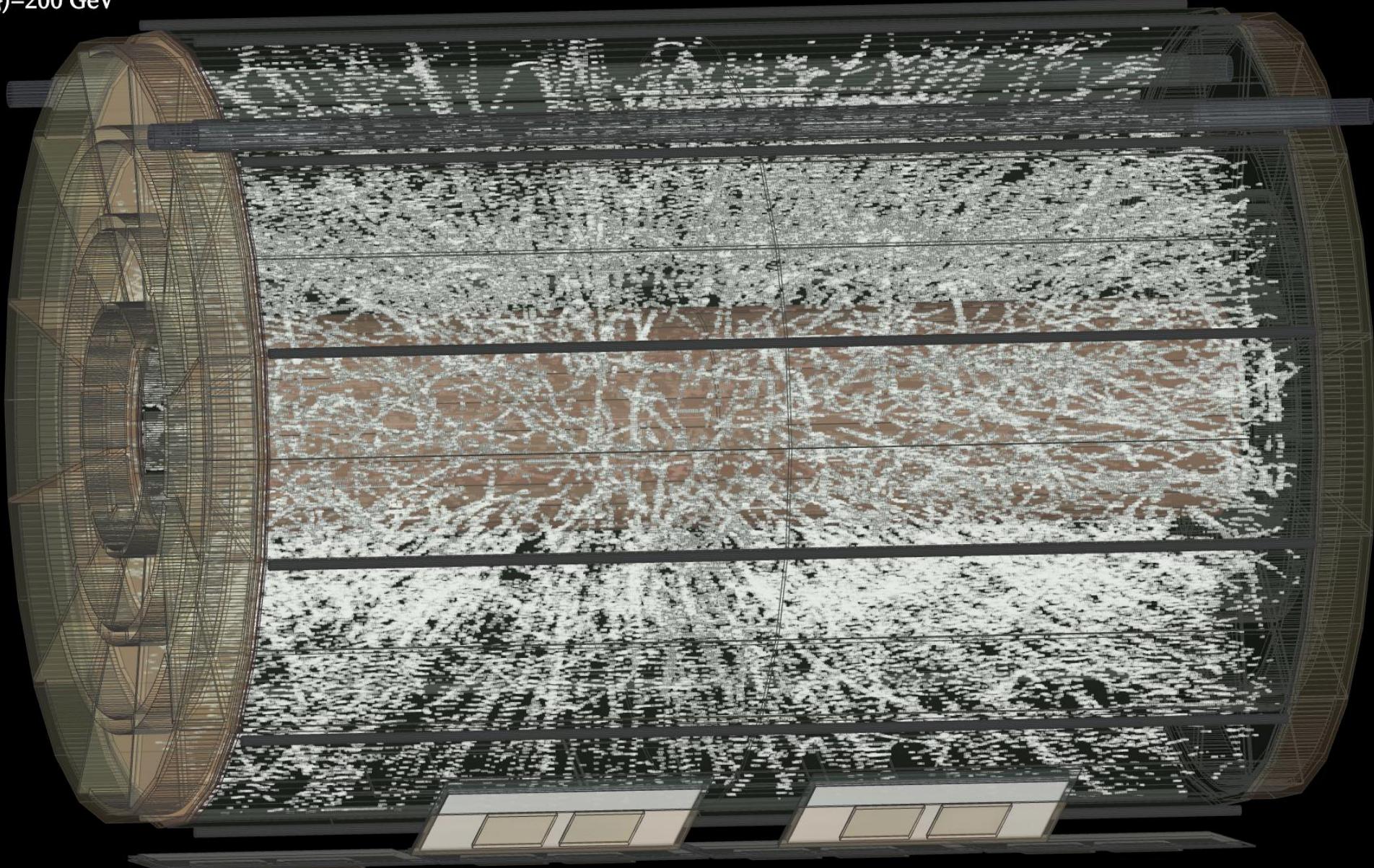


sPHENIX Time Projection Chamber

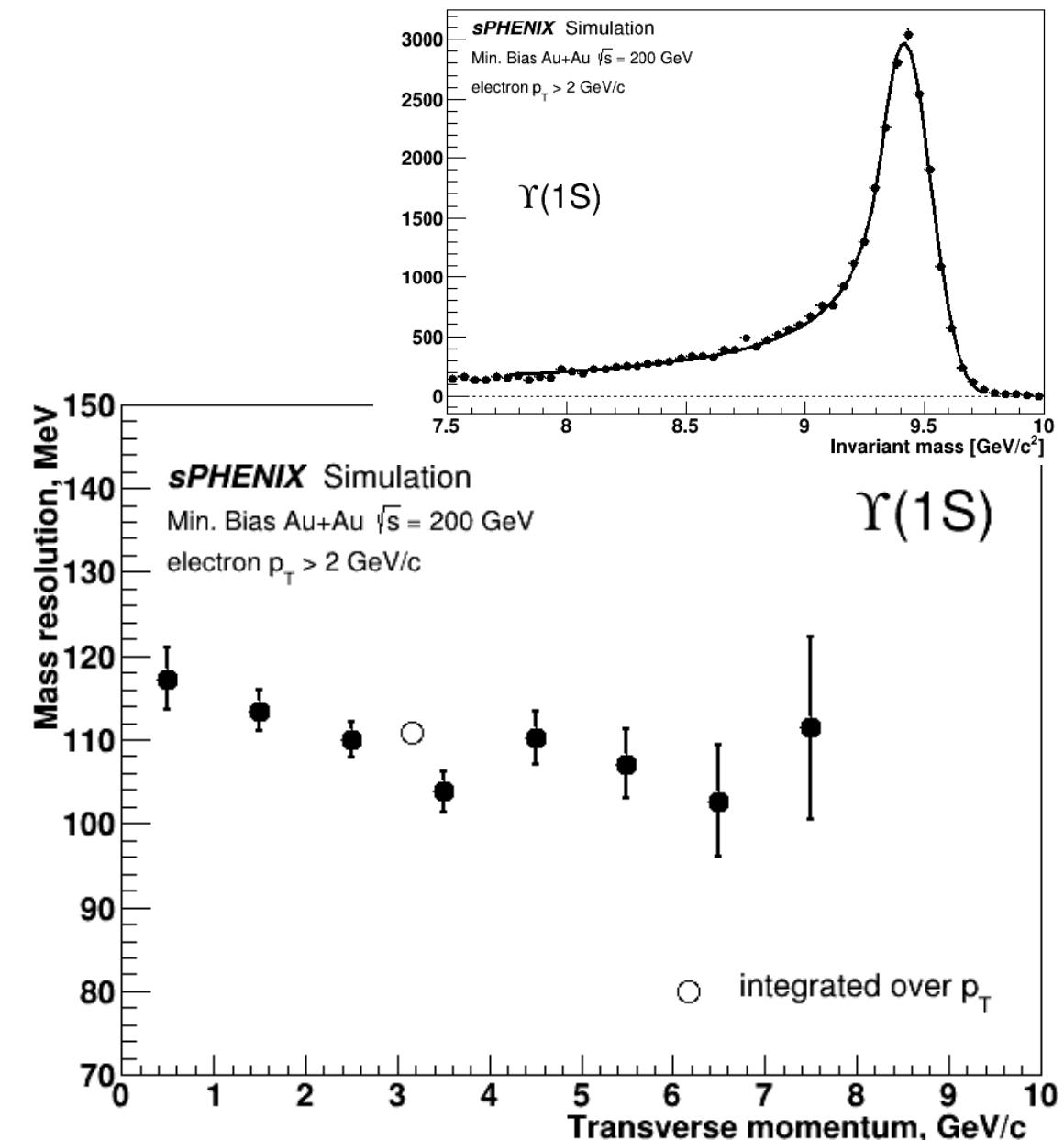
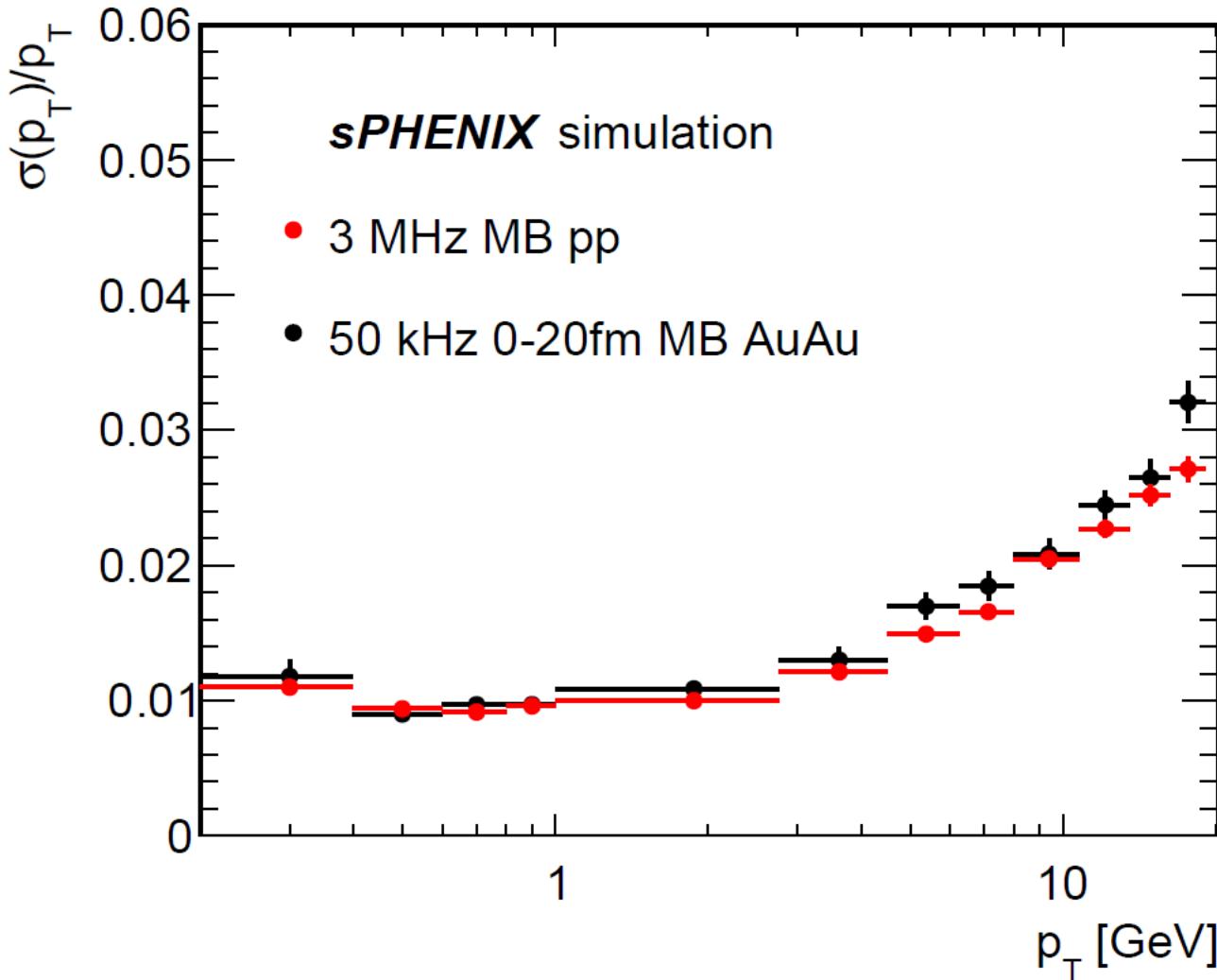
100 Hz ZDC, MBD Prescale: 2, HV: 4.45 kV GEM, 45 kV CM, X-ing Angle: 2 mrad

2023-06-23, Run 10931 - EBDC03 reference frame 43

Au+Au  $\text{sqrt}(s_{\text{NN}}) = 200 \text{ GeV}$

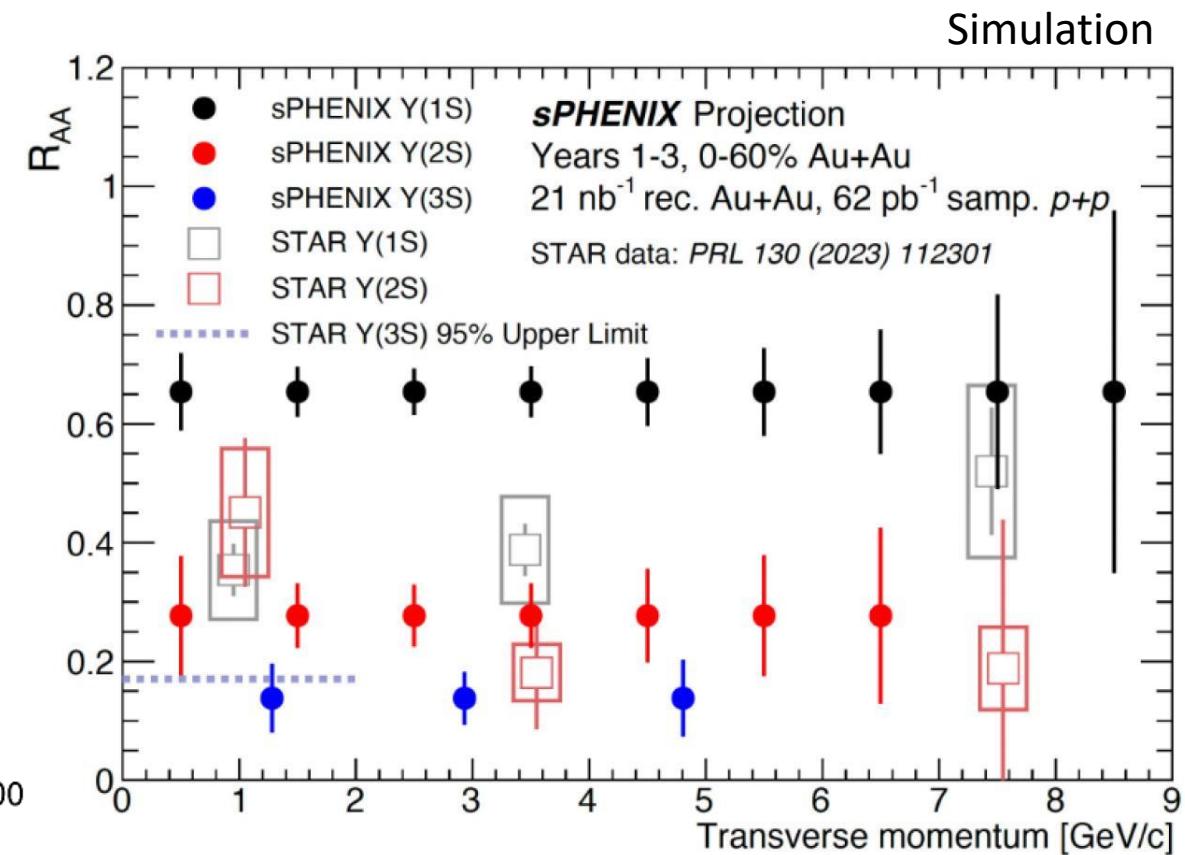
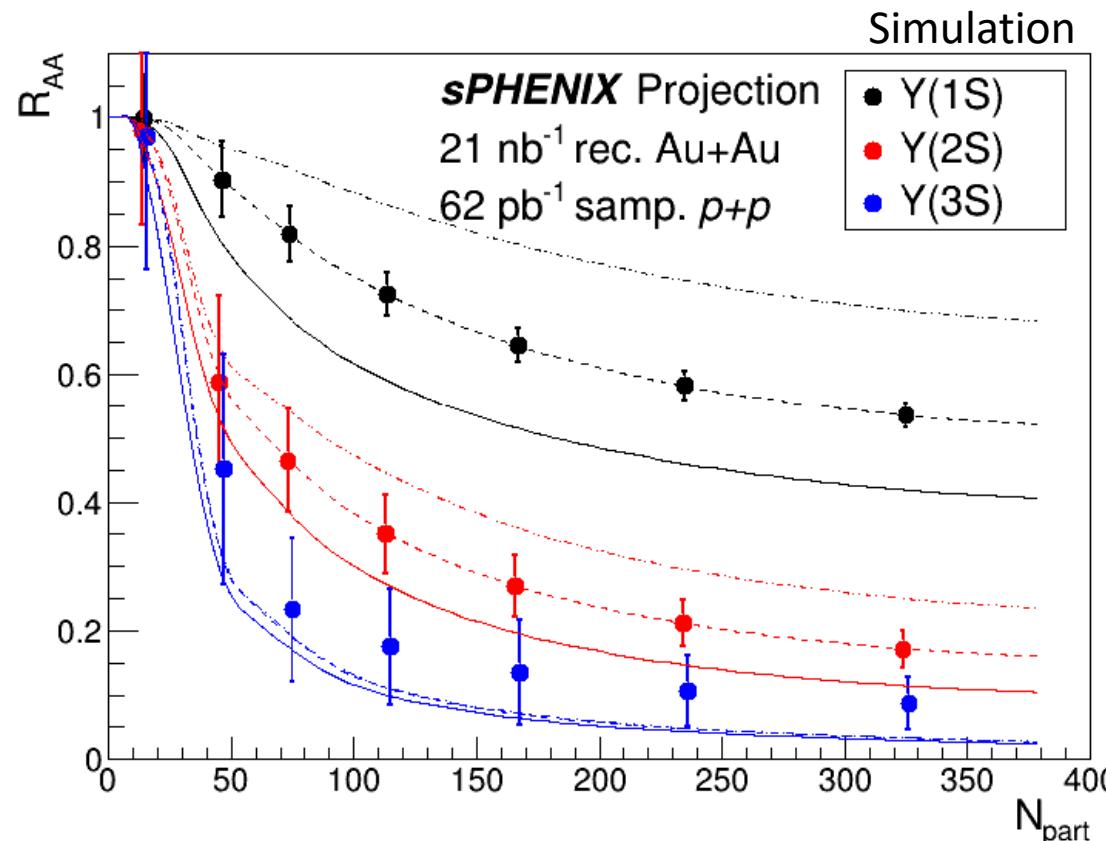
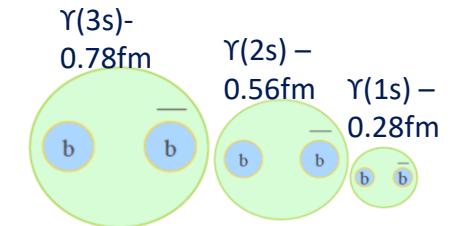


# Tracking performance



# sPHENIX hidden heavy flavor

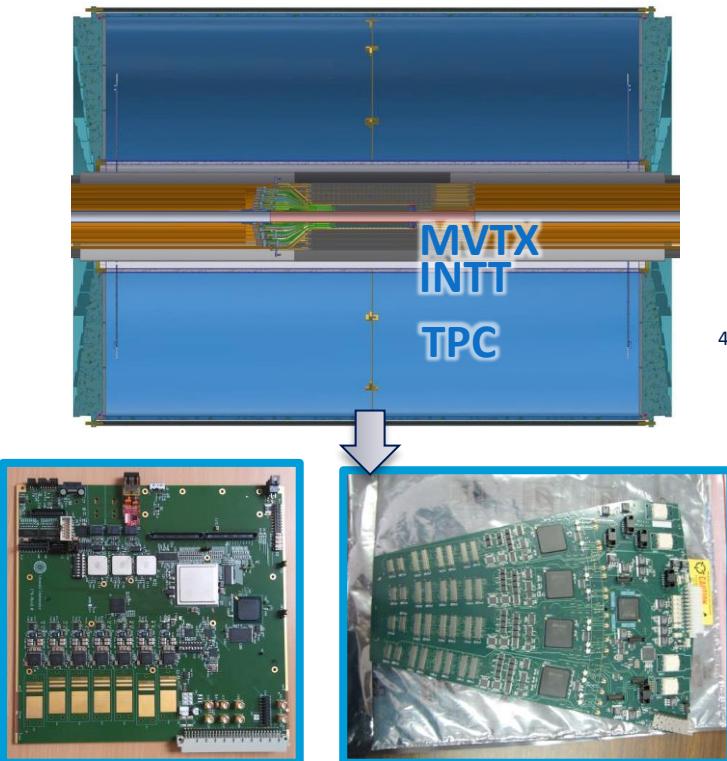
- ▶ Suppression with clear distinction of three Upsilon states
- ▶ Color dipoles probing the QGP at three length scales



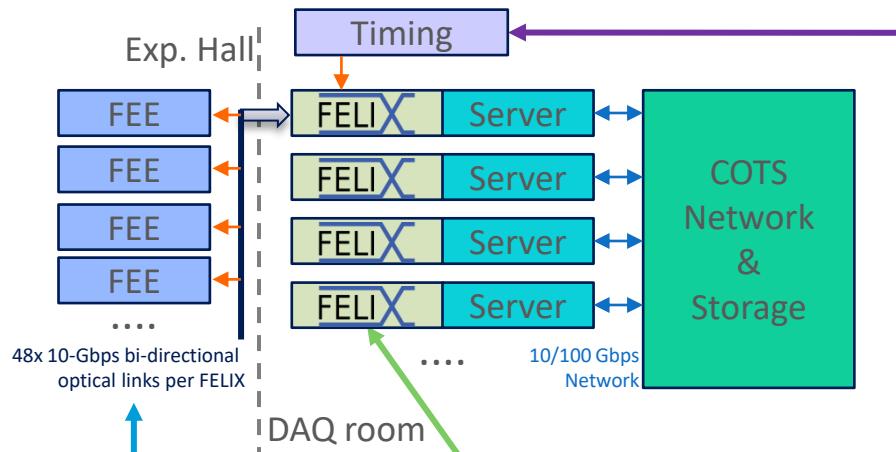
# Streaming readout electronics

Plan to recording 10% p+p collisions in hybrid streaming DAQ  
→ 2-3 orders of magnitude increase in soft-HF statistics

sPHENIX streaming DAQ for tracker



MVTX RU, 200M ch    INTT ROC, 400k ch  
ALPIDE (ALICE/sPHENIX), FPHX (PHENIX)



TPC FEE, 160k ch



BNL-712 / FELIX v2 x38 (ATLAS/sPHENIX)  
SAMPAv5 (ALICE/sPHENIX)    FELIX Ref: [10.1109/tim.2019.2947972](https://doi.org/10.1109/tim.2019.2947972)

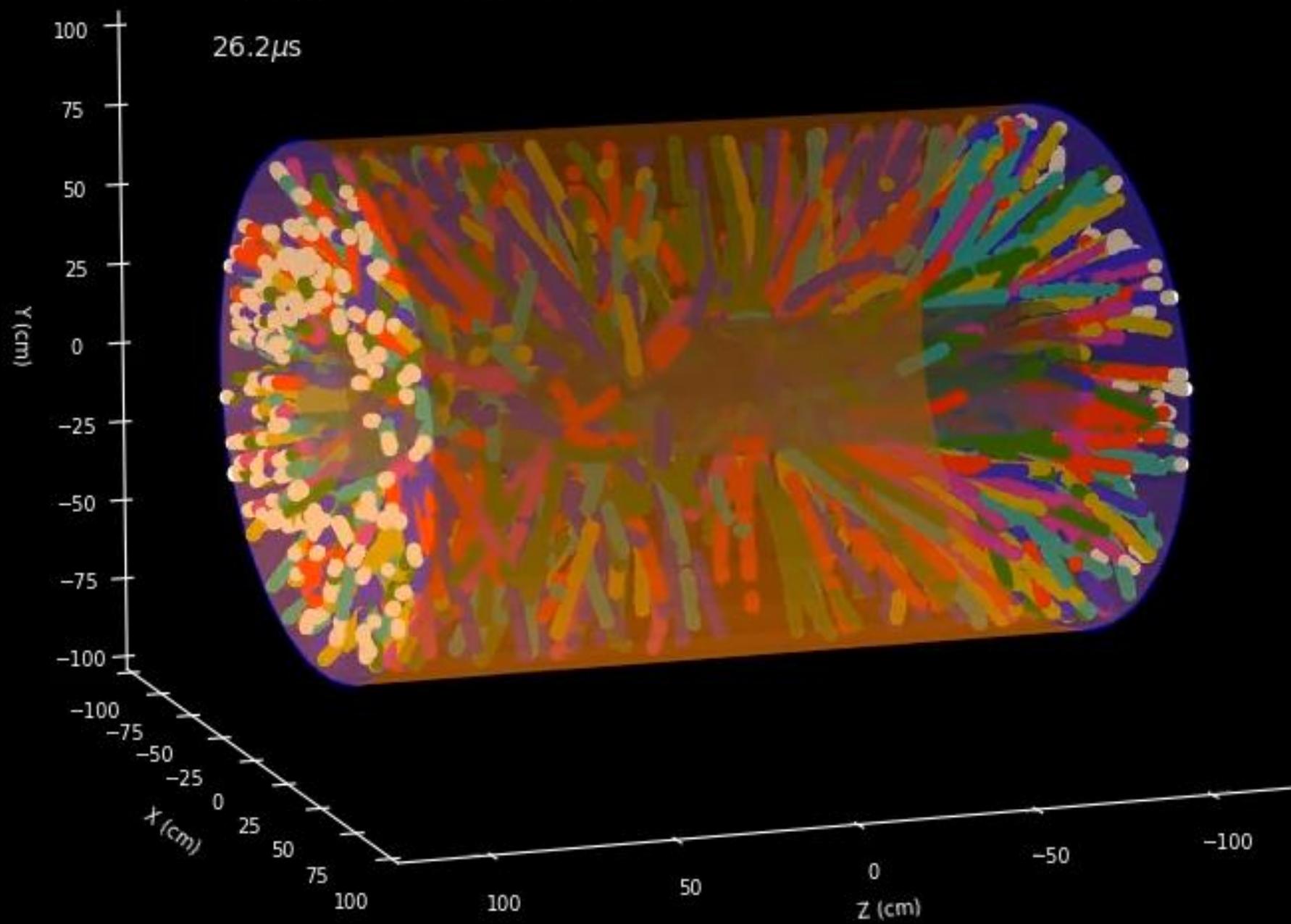


Global Timing Module  
(NSLS II/sPHENIX)  
Receiving from RHIC RF  
low glitter clock source

*s*PHENIX TPC simulation

p+p,  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV 4MHz

26.2 $\mu$ s

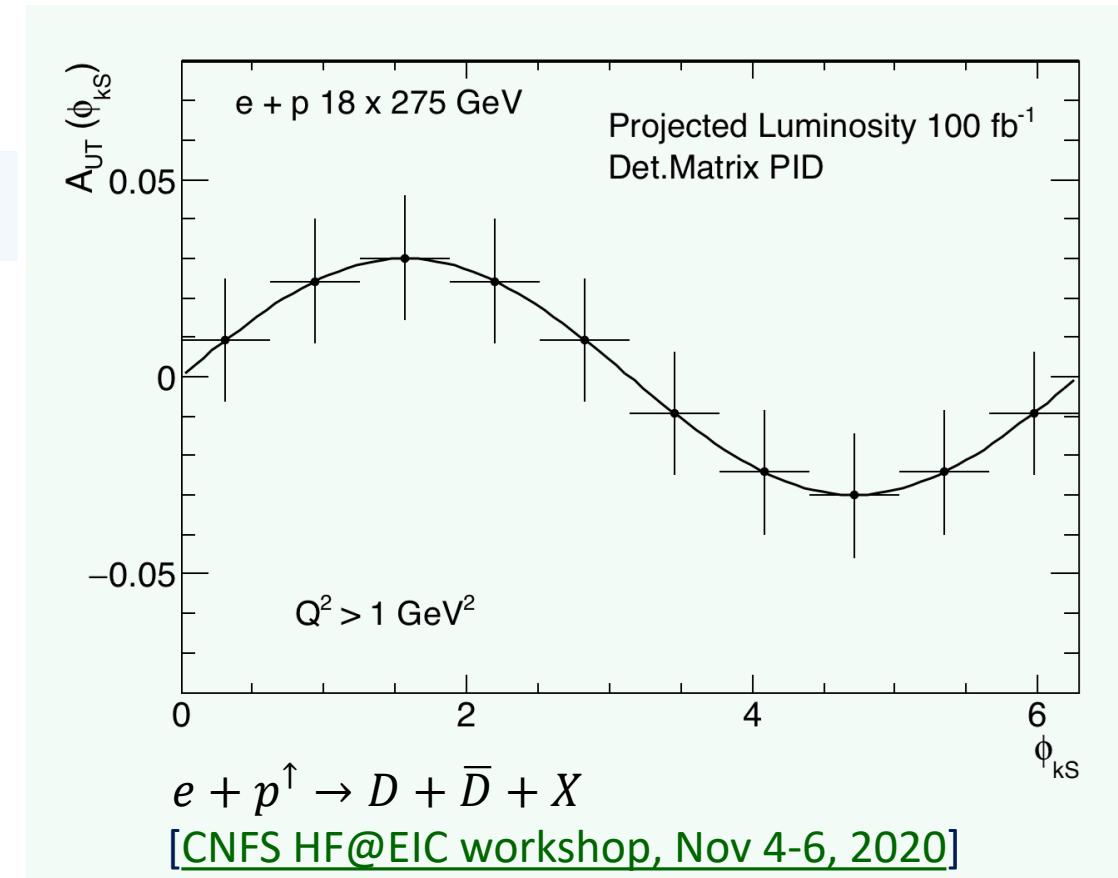
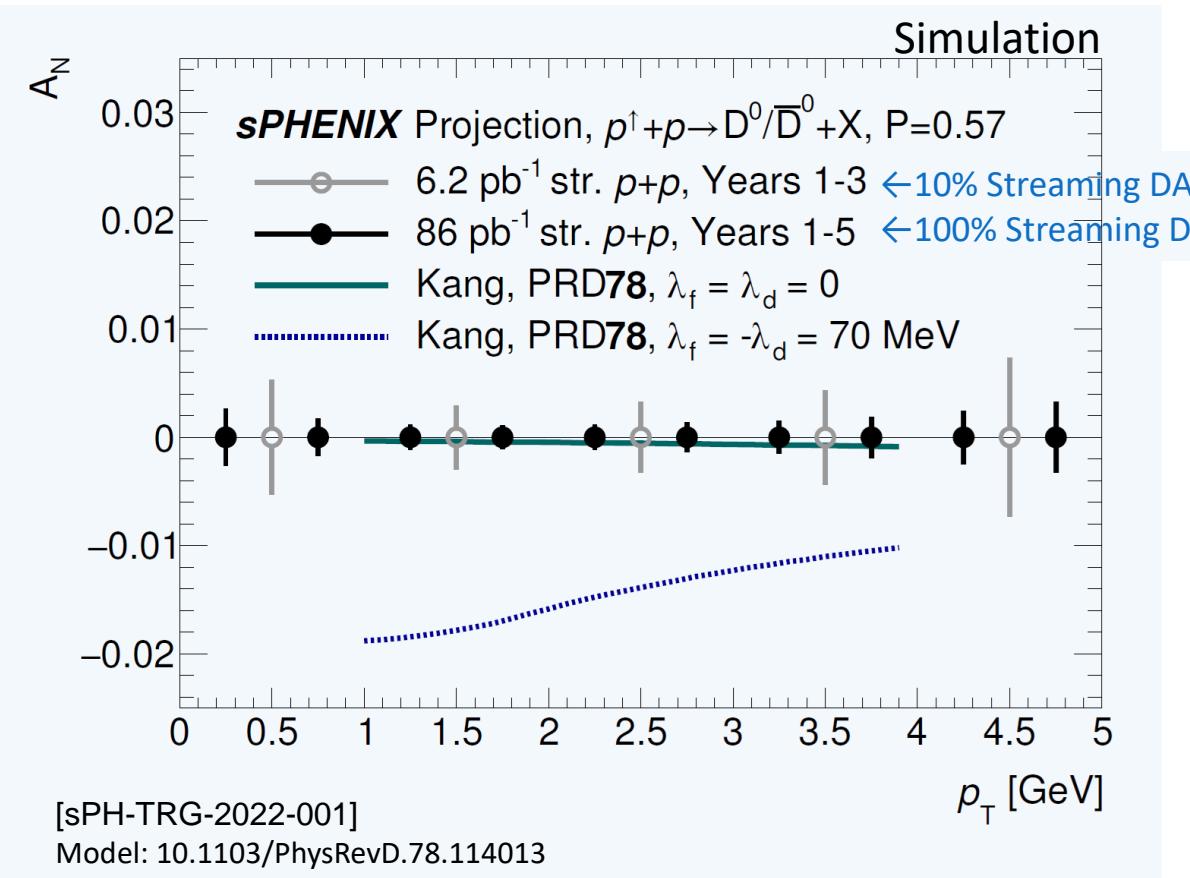


# Streaming-DAQ enabled scientific connection: e.g. gluon dynamics via heavy flavor transverse spin asym.

Universality test on gluon Sievers

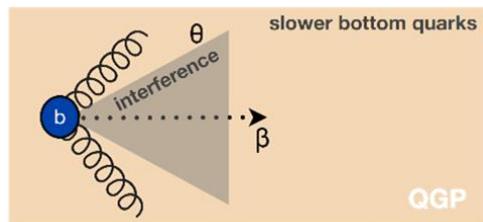
sPHENIX D<sup>0</sup> trans. spin asymmetry,  $A_N \rightarrow$  Gluon Sievers via tri-g cor.

EIC SIDIS D<sup>0</sup> transverse spin asymmetry  $\rightarrow$  Gluon Sievers

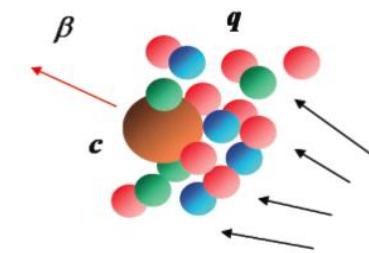
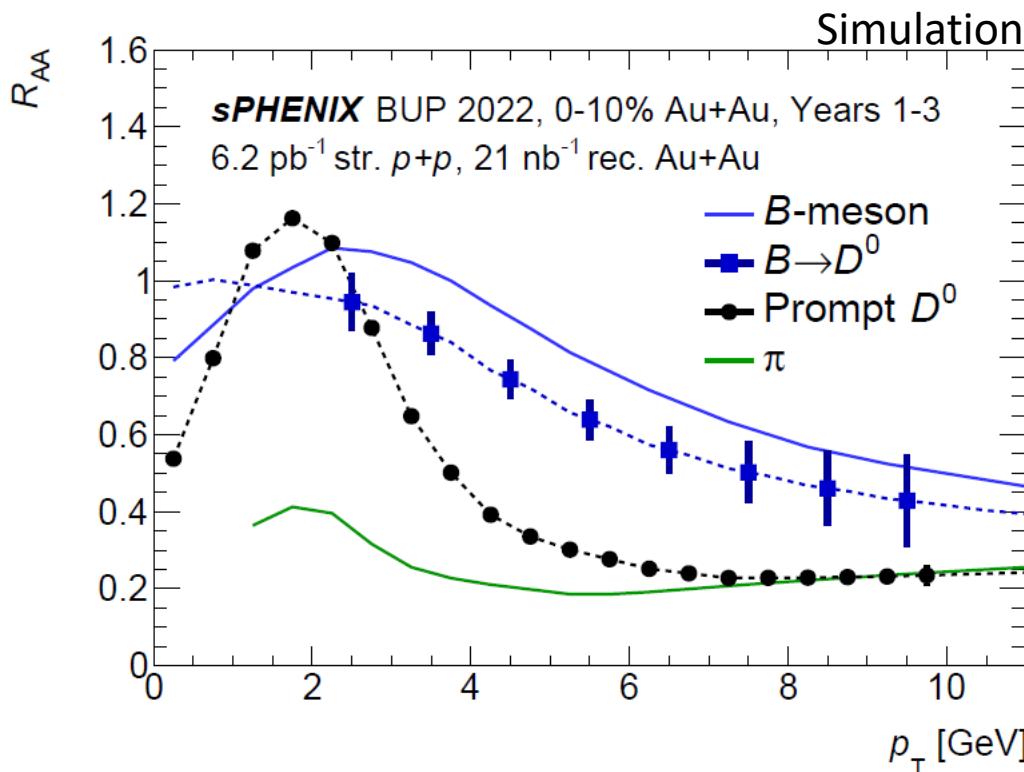


# Access b-quark suppression/ $v_2$ via non-prompt D

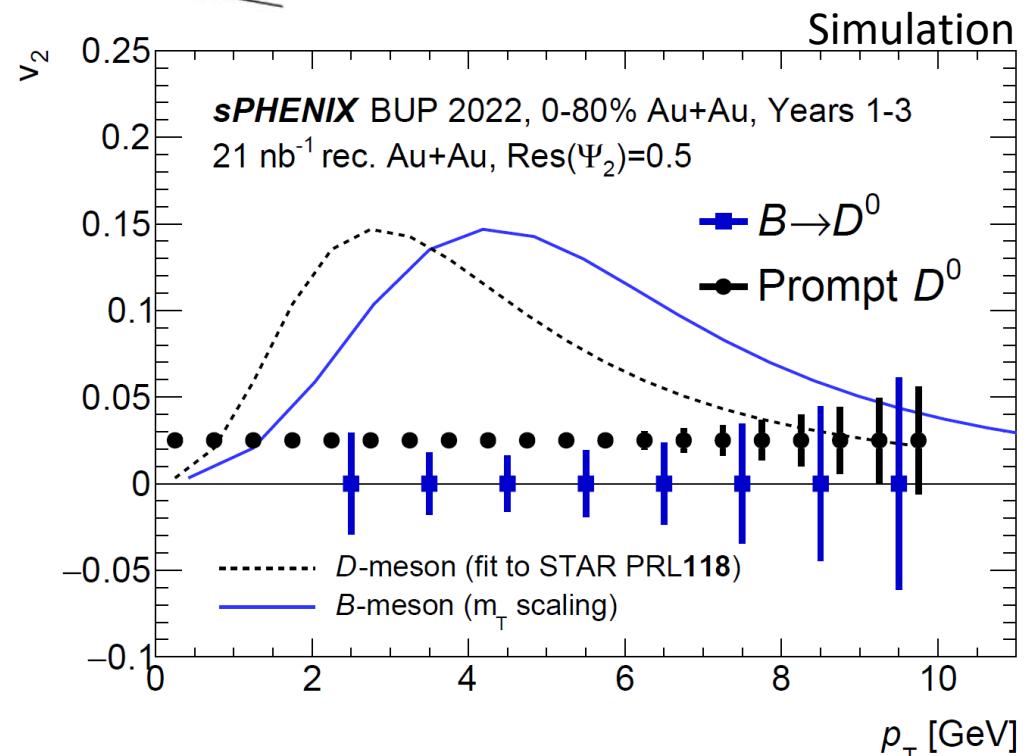
- Bringing high precision non-prompt- $D$  suppression and flow to RHIC



- Probe the mass dependence of quark energy loss in QGP, light  $\rightarrow c \rightarrow b$
- Sensitive to pick up collision energy loss

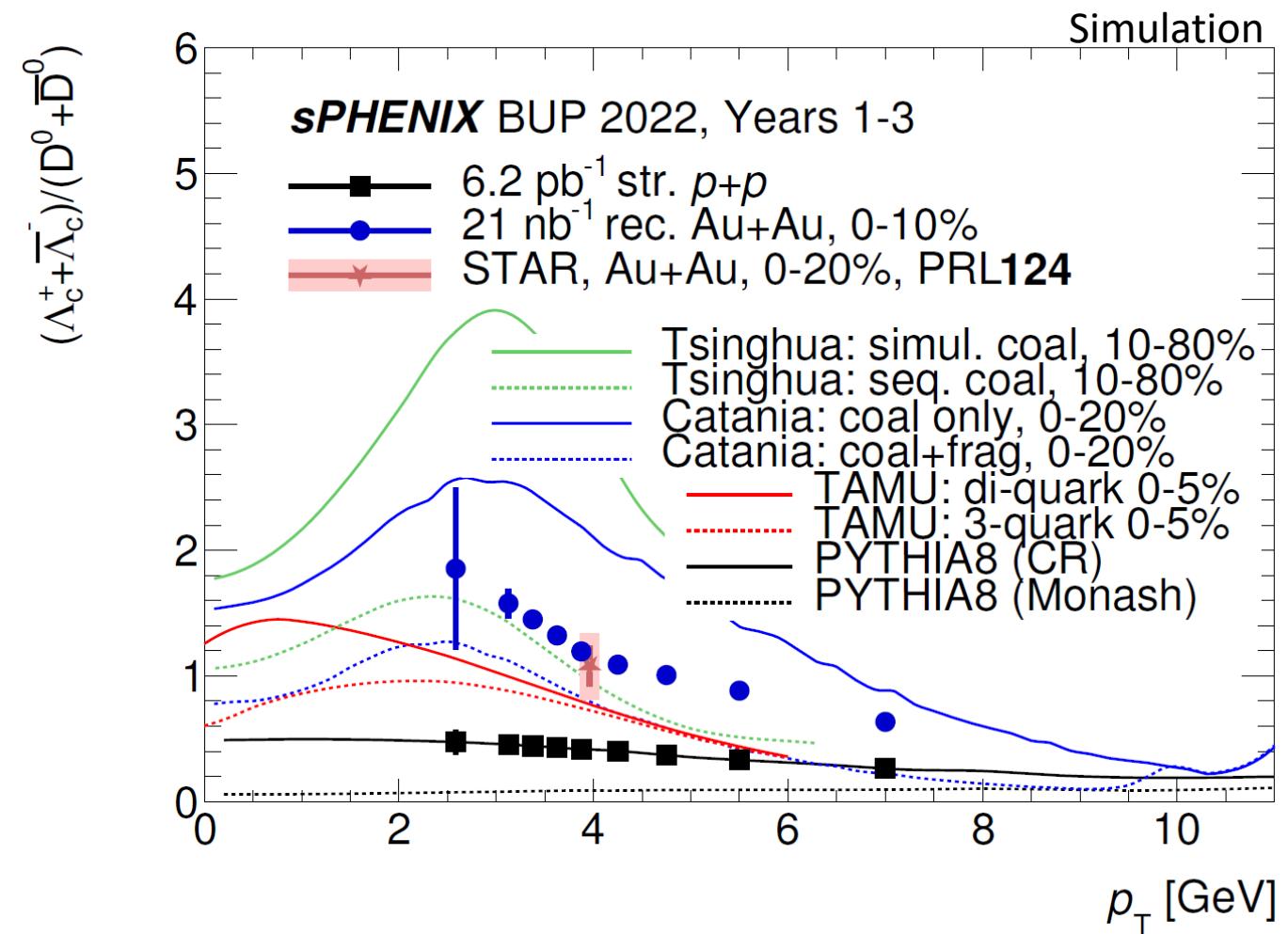


- Determine the bottom quark collectivity
- $\rightarrow$  clean access to  $D_{HQ}$  at RHIC energy

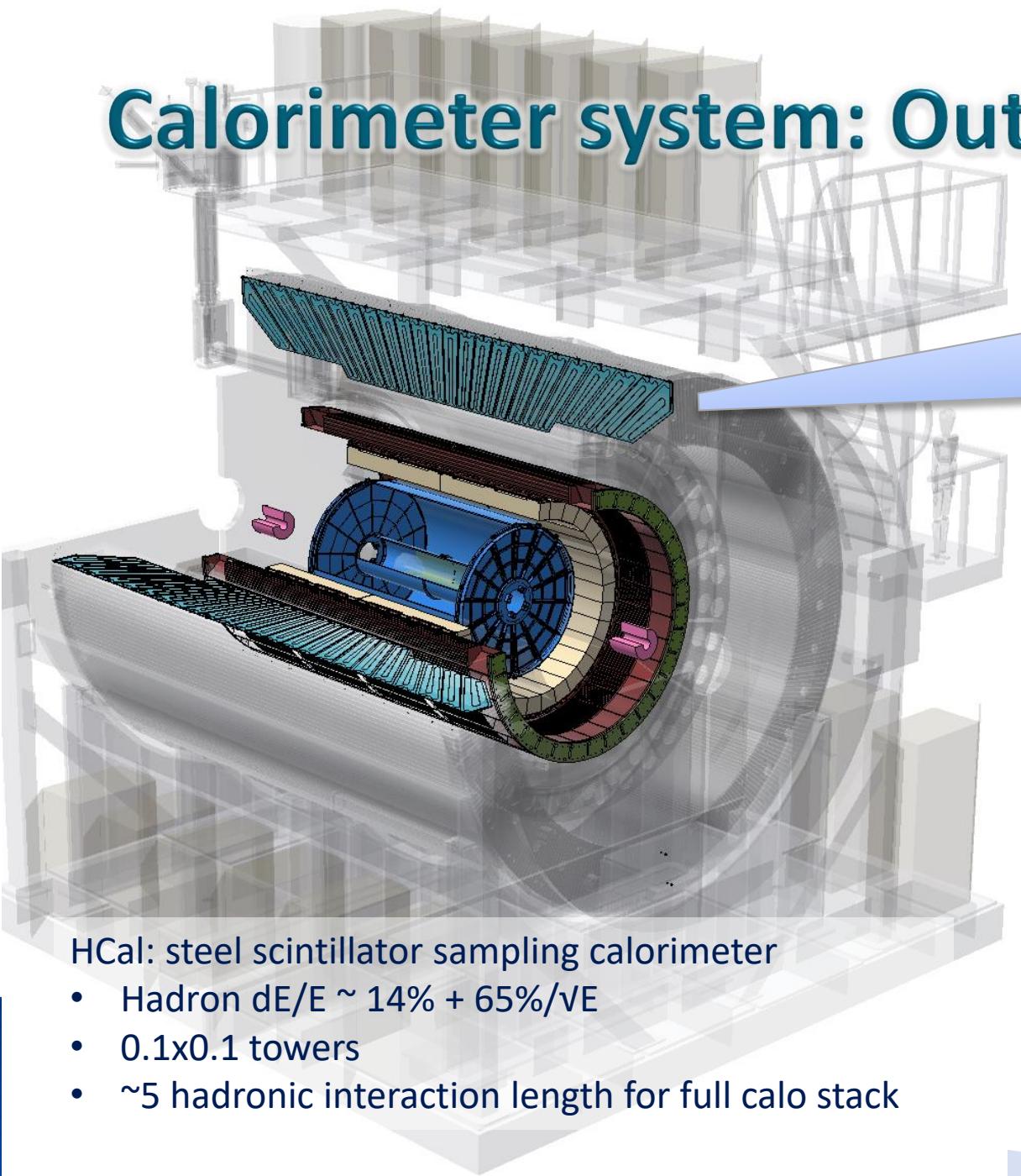


# News from beam use proposal 2020 – hadronization

- ▶ STAR and ALICE collaboration reported enhanced charm baryon to meson ratio → challenging hadronization models
- ▶ sPHENIX streaming readout will deliver first  $p + p$  measurement at RHIC
- ▶ sPHENIX will also map out the  $\Lambda_c/D$  ratio over momentum dependence



# Calorimeter system: Outer HCal

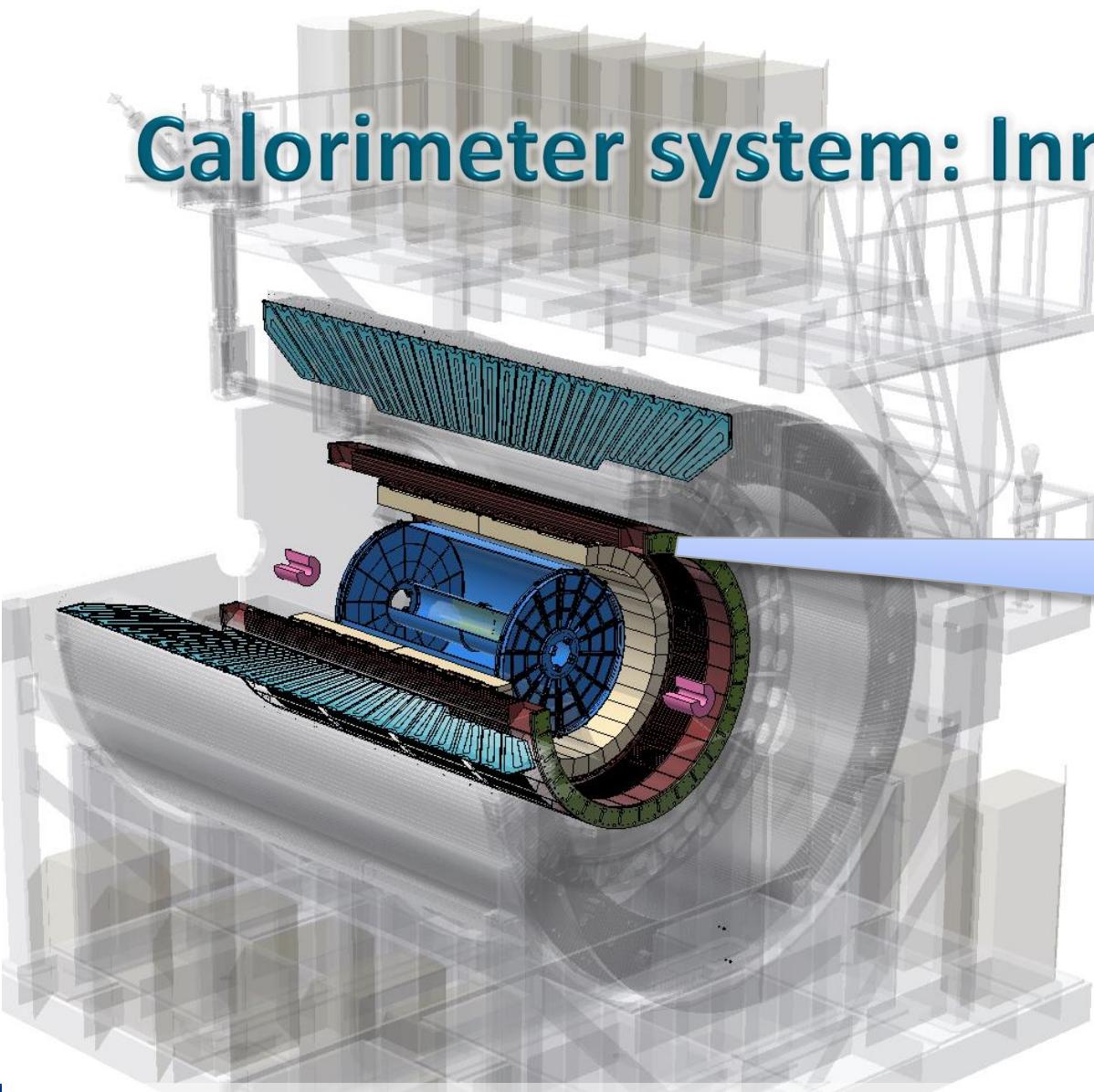


HCal: steel scintillator sampling calorimeter

- Hadron  $dE/E \sim 14\% + 65\%/\sqrt{E}$
- $0.1 \times 0.1$  towers
- $\sim 5$  hadronic interaction length for full calo stack



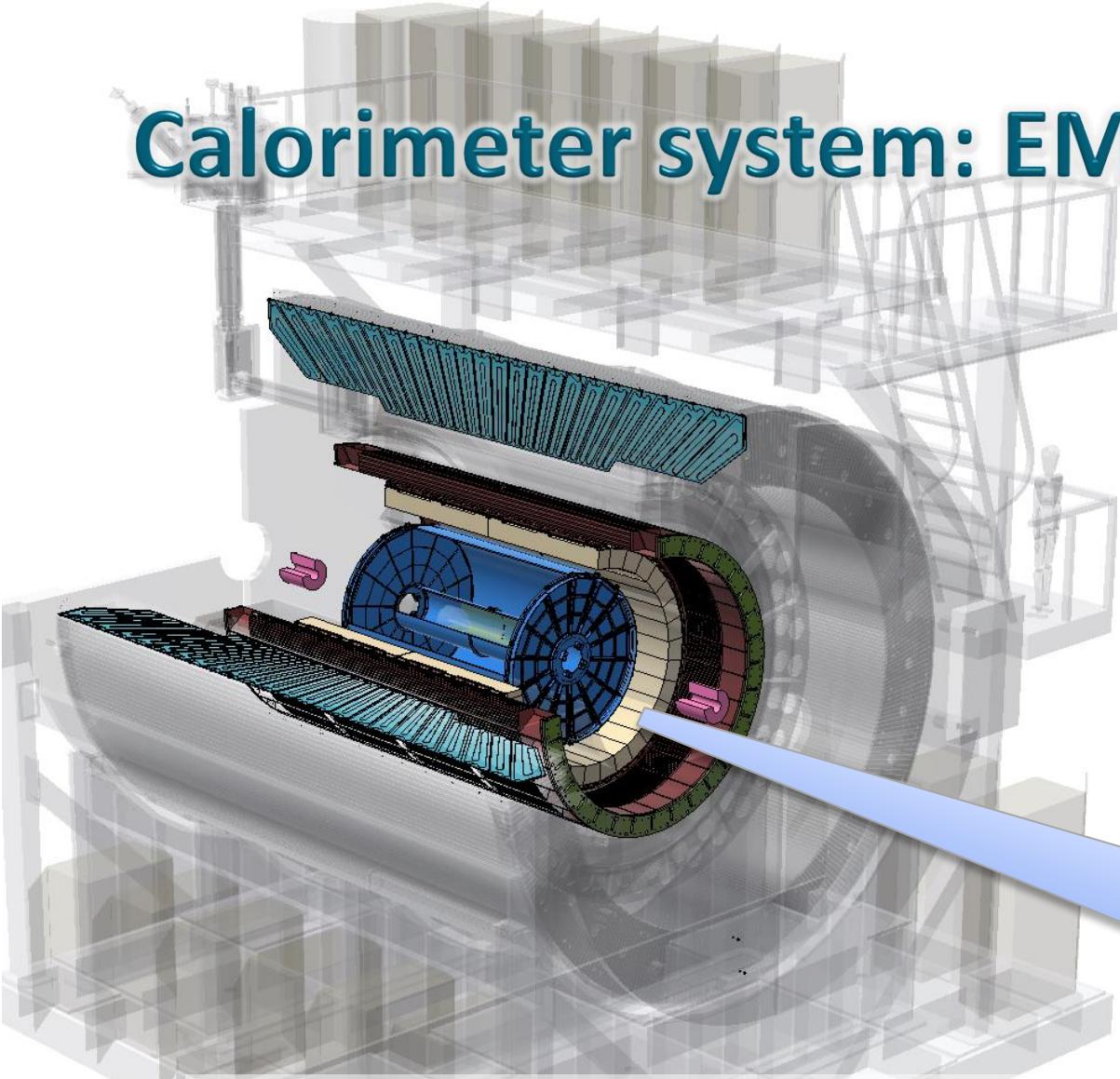
# Calorimeter system: Inner HCal



Inner HCal: Al-scintillation tile sampling calorimeter  
Mechanical support for EMCAL + EM-shower tail catcher  
+ constraint longitudinal position of hadronic shower

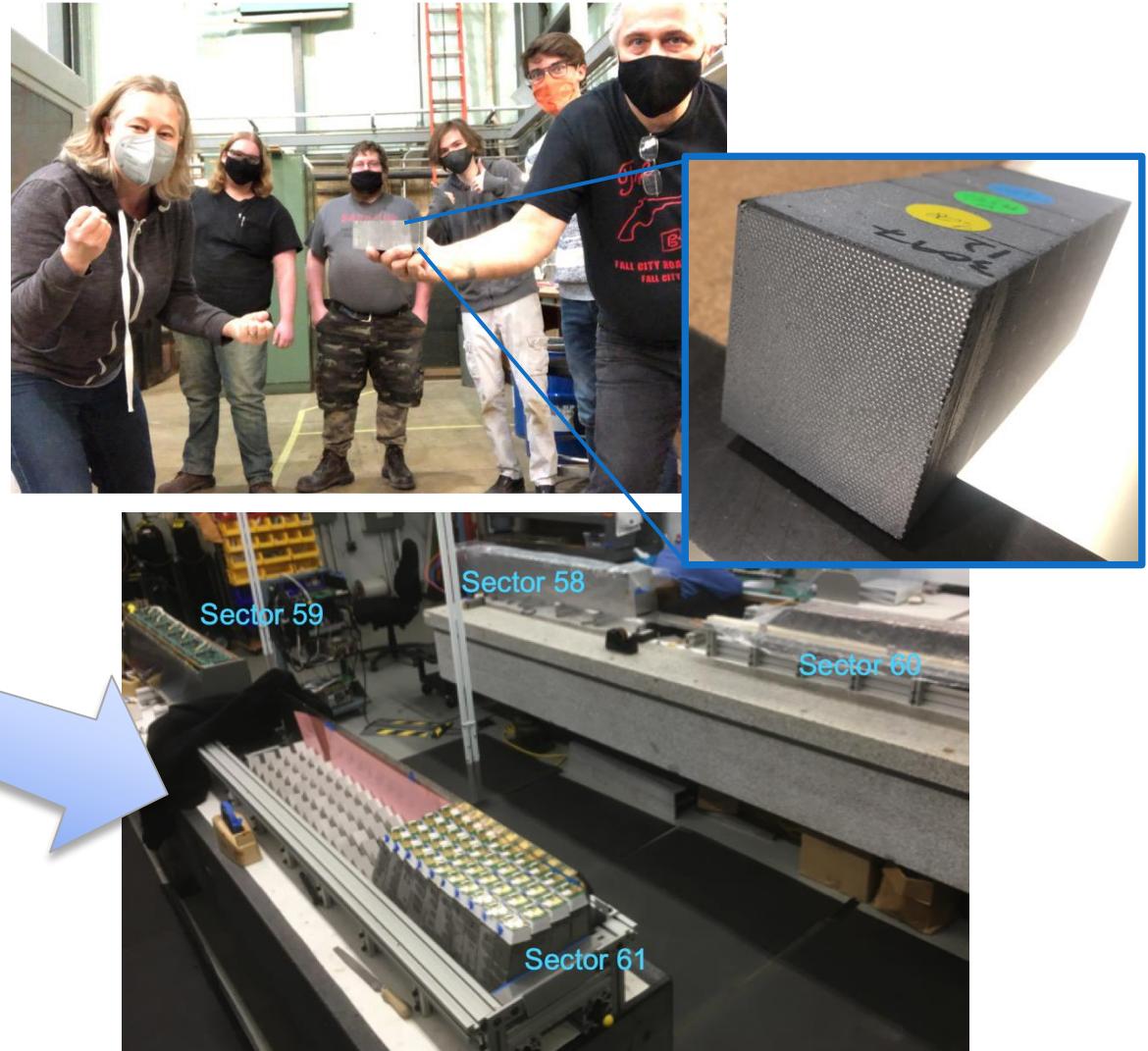


# Calorimeter system: EMCal



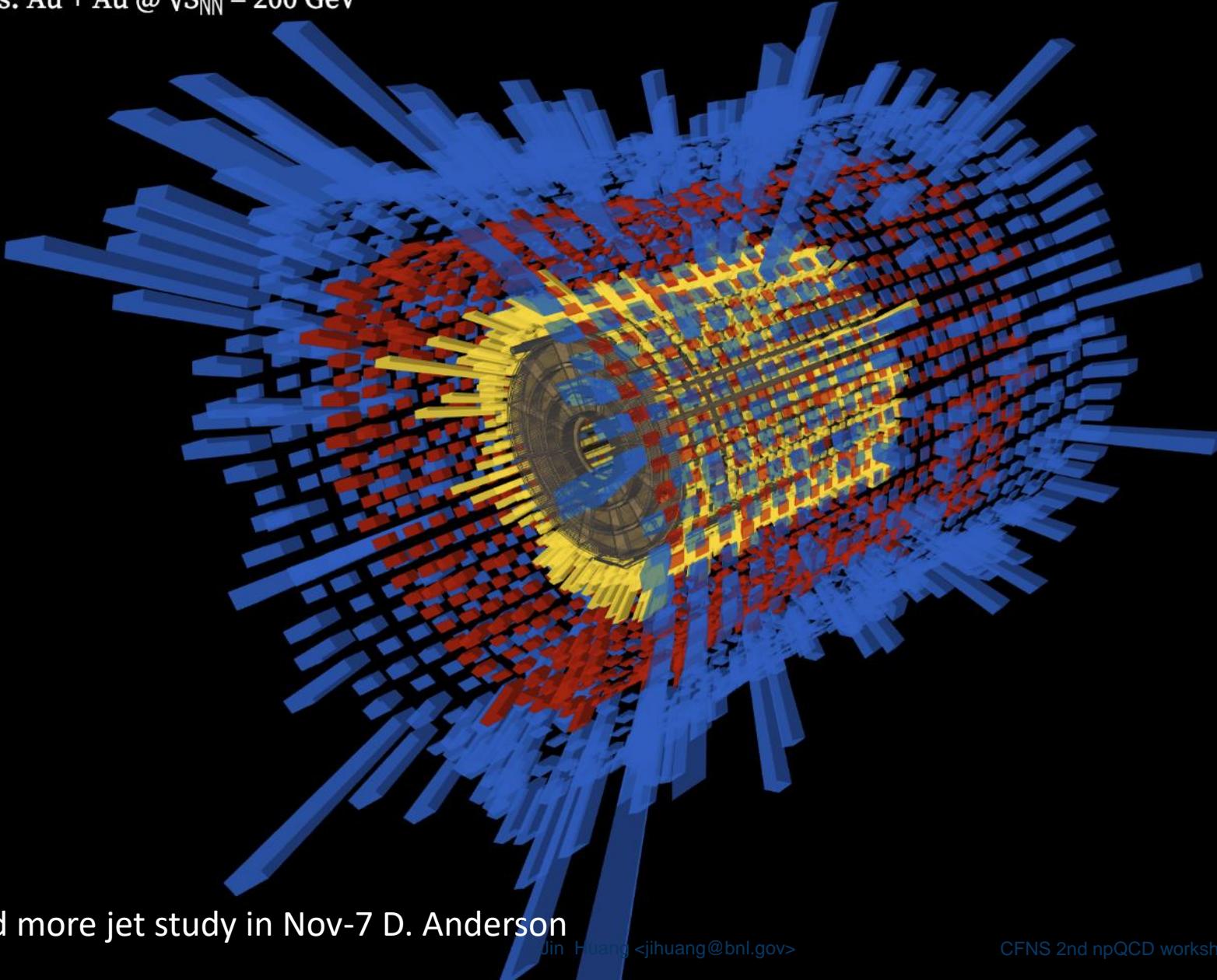
EMCal: Scintillator Fiber Tungsten sampling calo.

- EM  $dE/E < 5\% + 16\%/\sqrt{E}$
- $0.025 \times 0.025$  towers





sPHENIX Experiment at RHIC  
Data recorded: 2023-07-16 00:54:00 EST  
Run / Event: 21707 / 3194  
Collisions: Au + Au @  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV



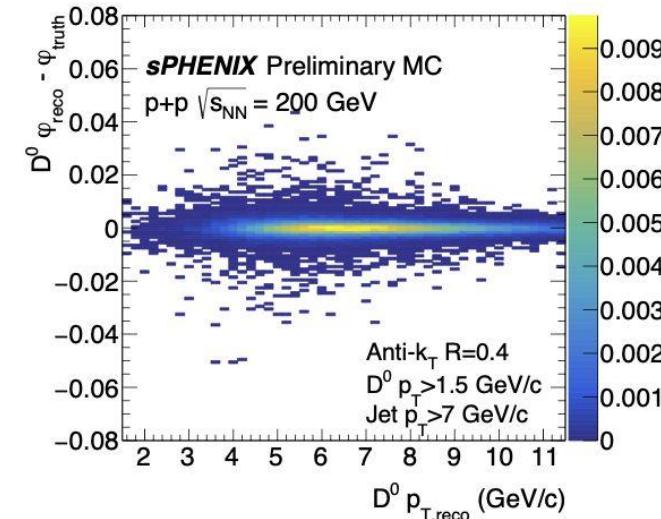
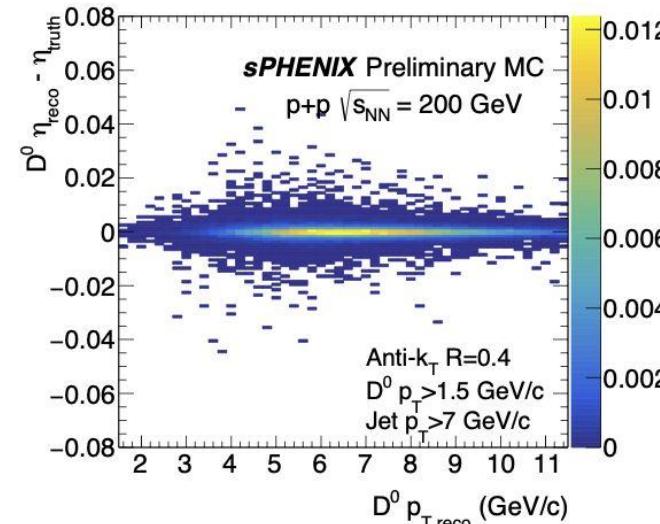
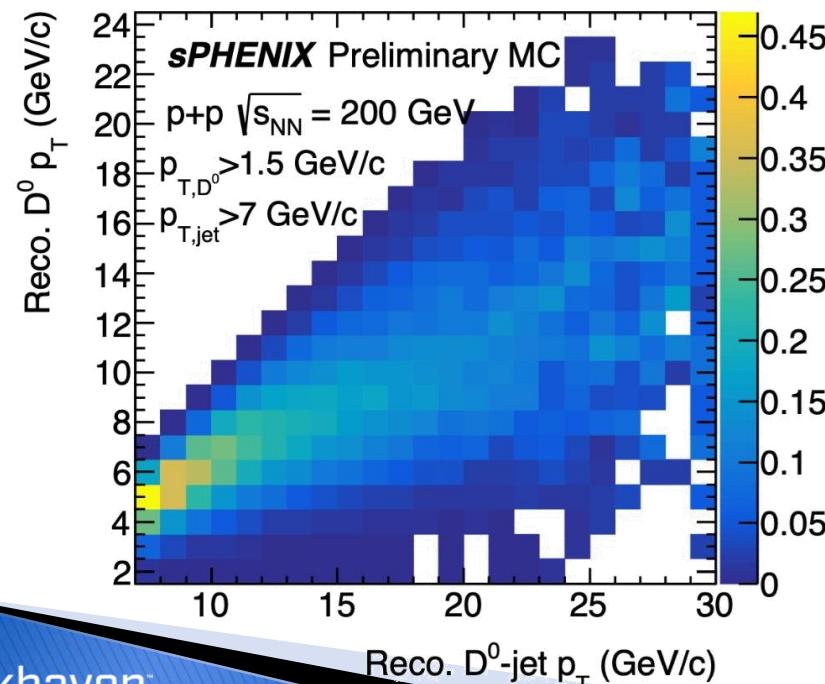
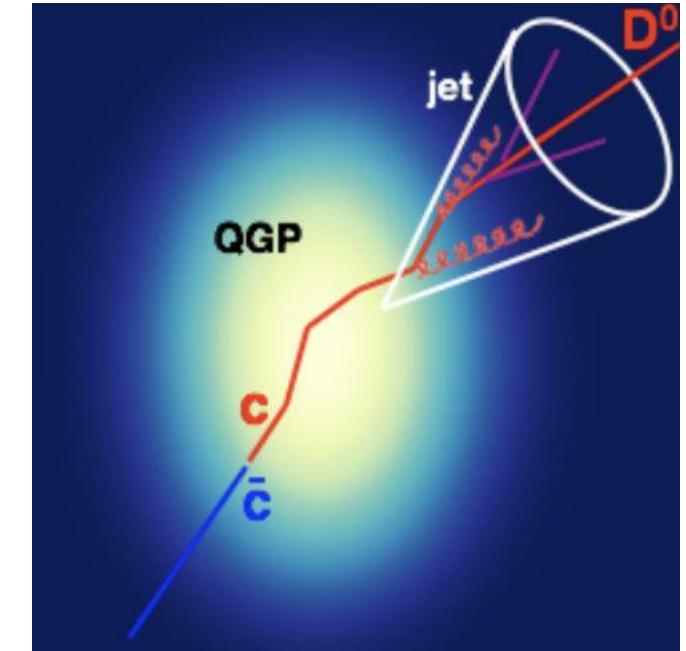
See also: Nov-9 J. Osborn, and more jet study in Nov-7 D. Anderson

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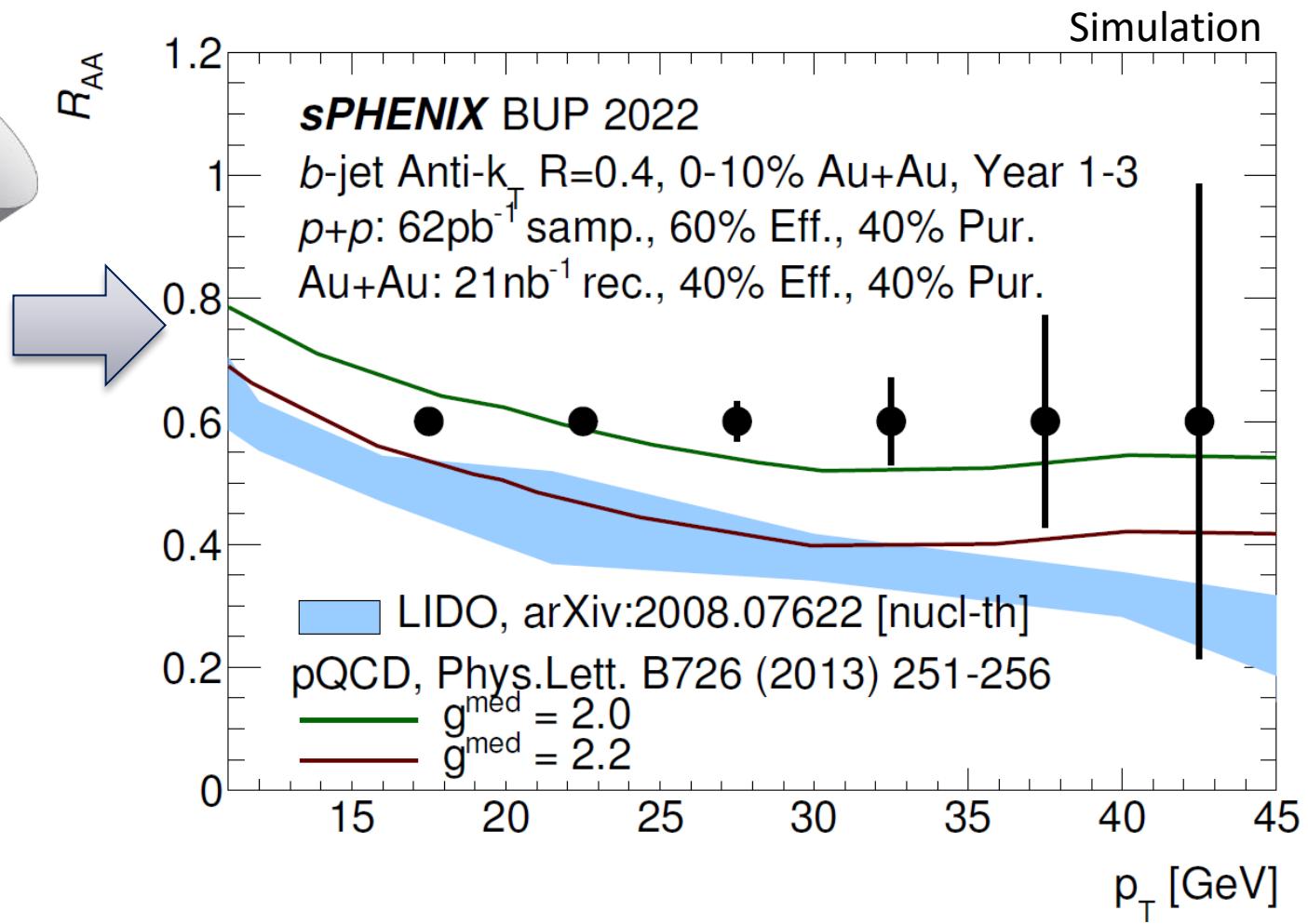
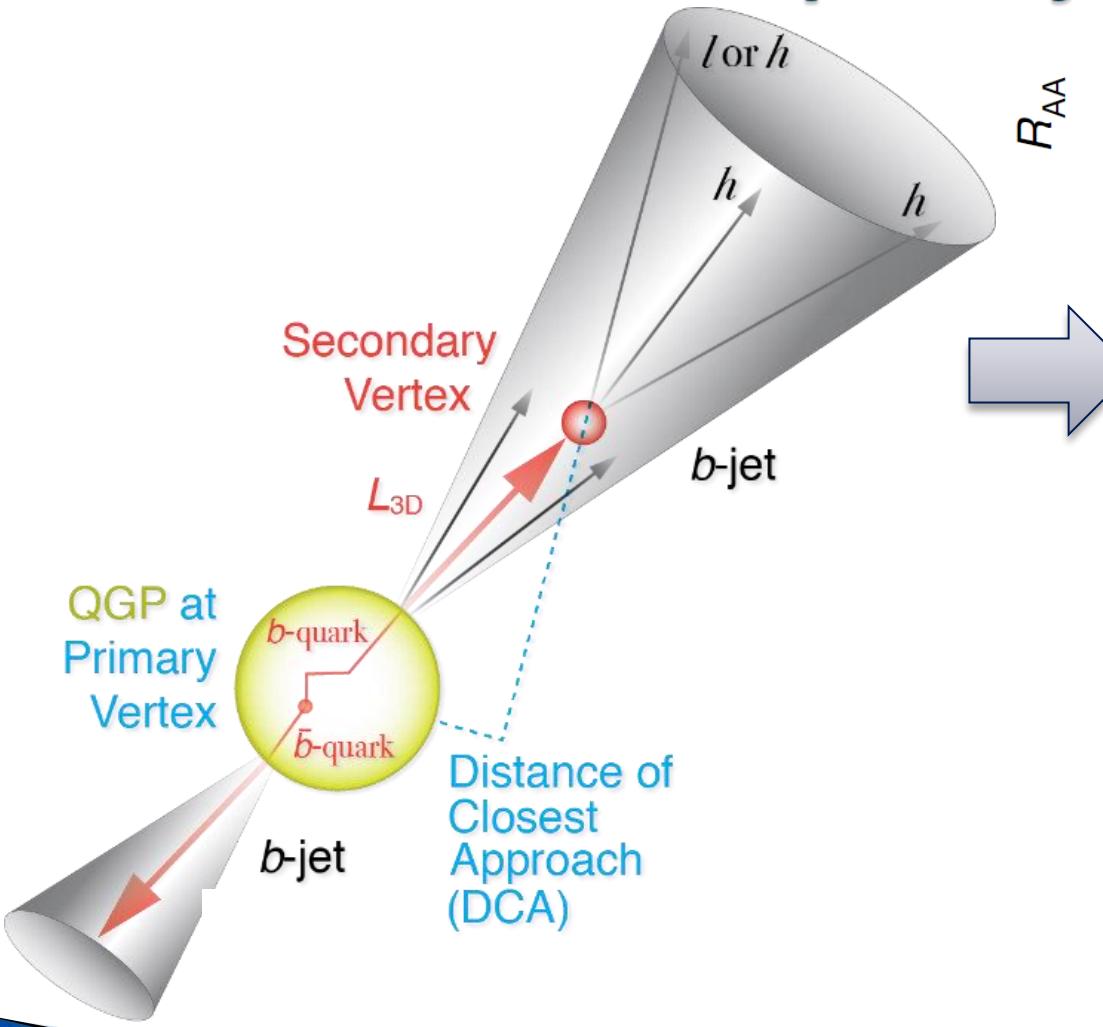
CFNS 2nd npQCD workshop

# D-tagged jets

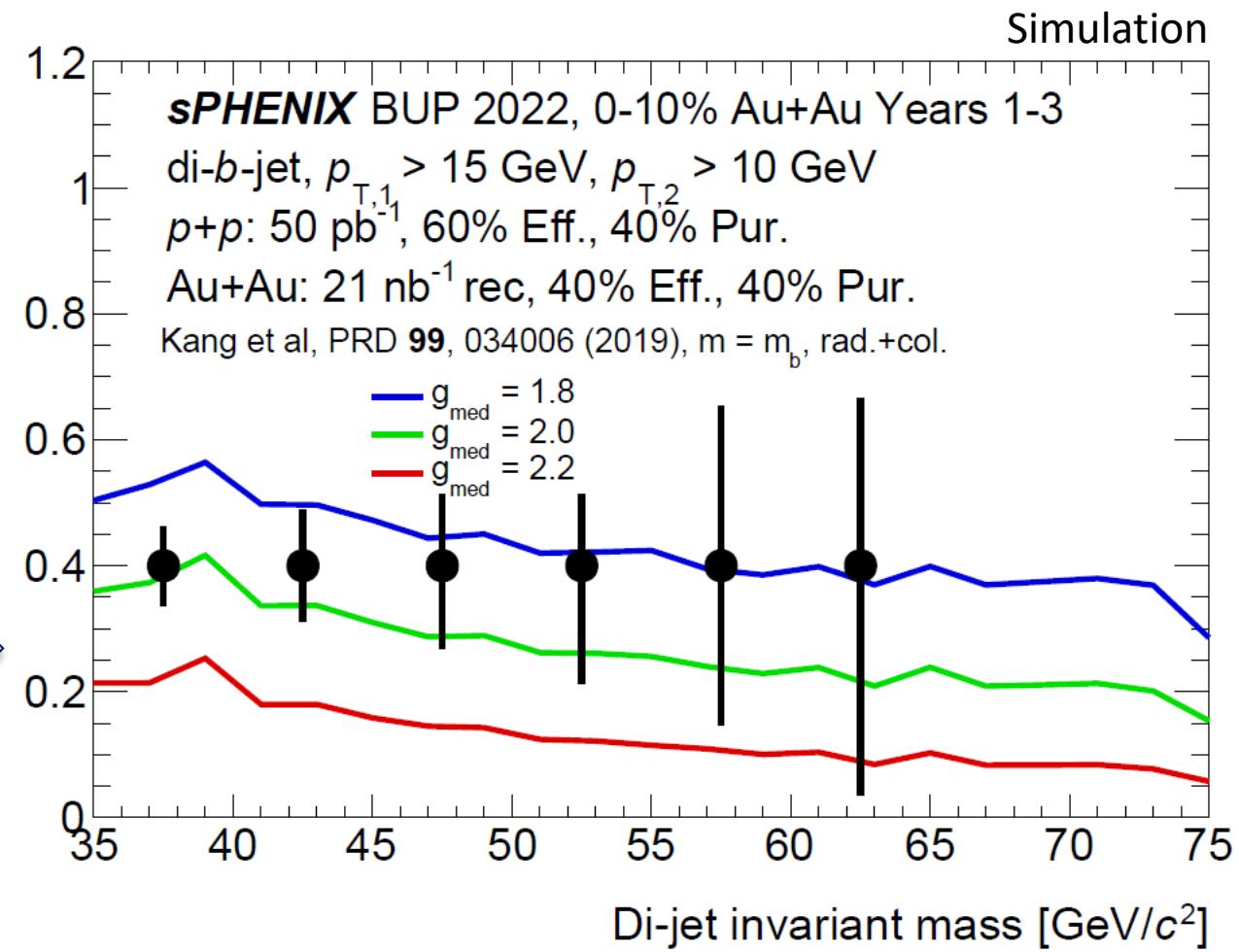
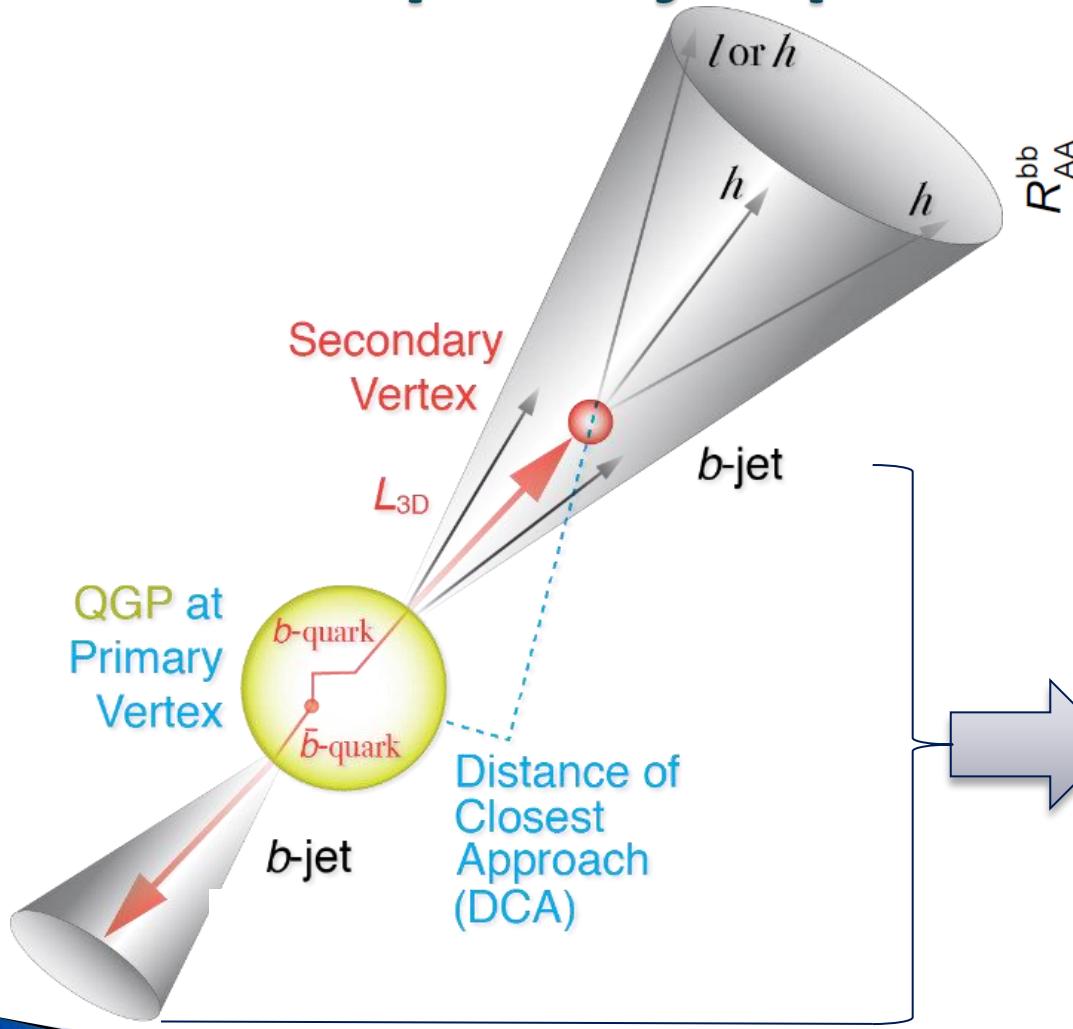
- ▶ Access charm jet and easy background rejection
- ▶ Study of heavy-quark initiated jet structure and parton shower
- ▶ Enabled by abundant D0 statistics + jet capability



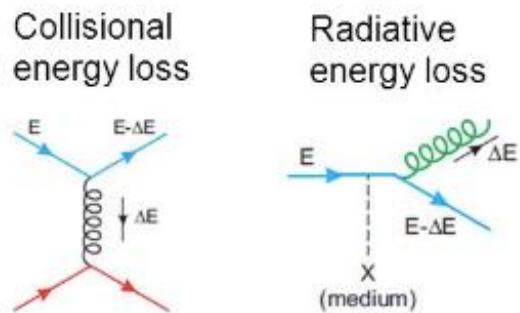
# sPHENIX bottom quark jet



# Bottom quark jet pairs → Enhanced sensitivity



# b-jet vs light jet → differentiating energy loss mech.

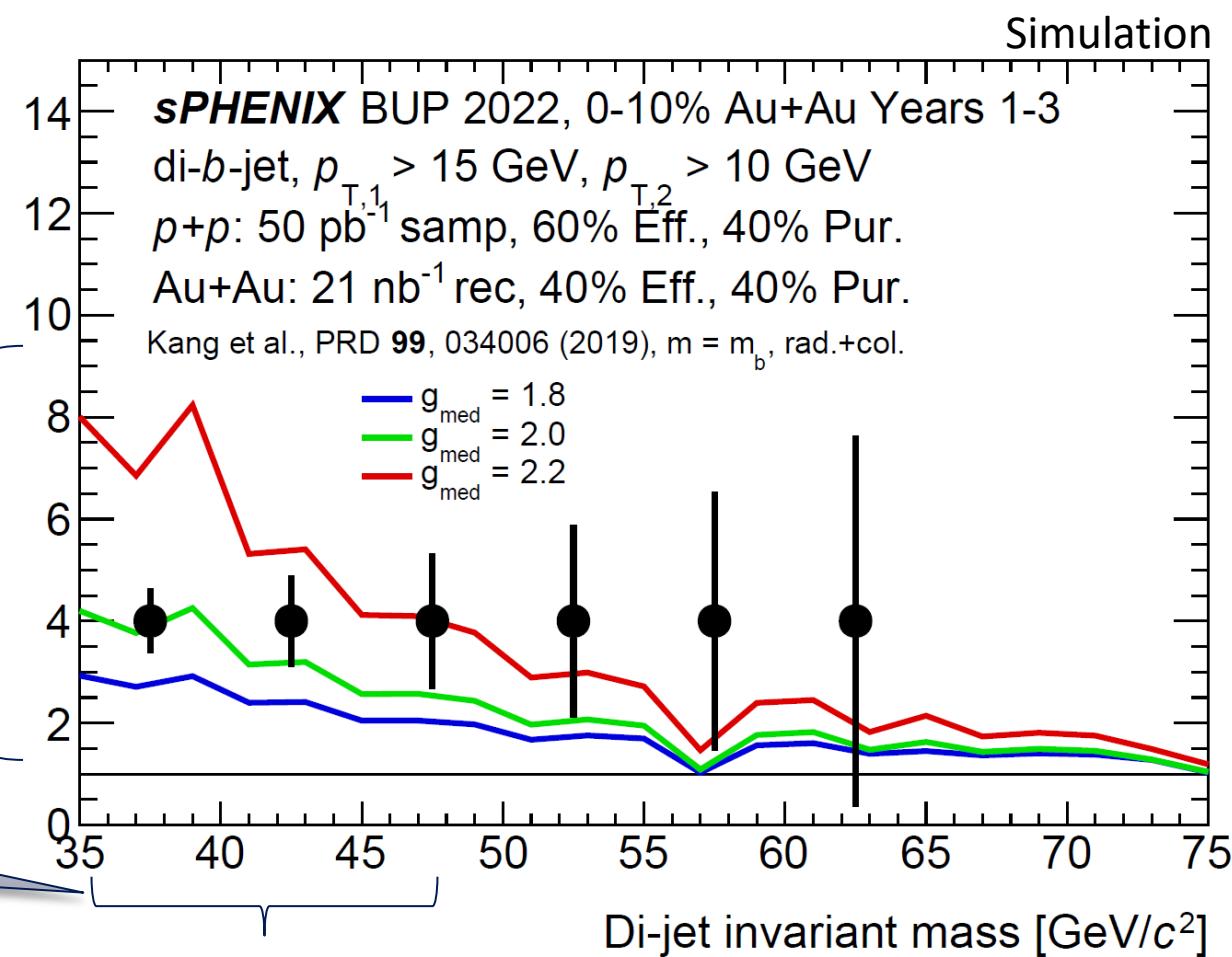


b/light ratio on RAA  
Partial exp. systematic  
uncert. cancelation

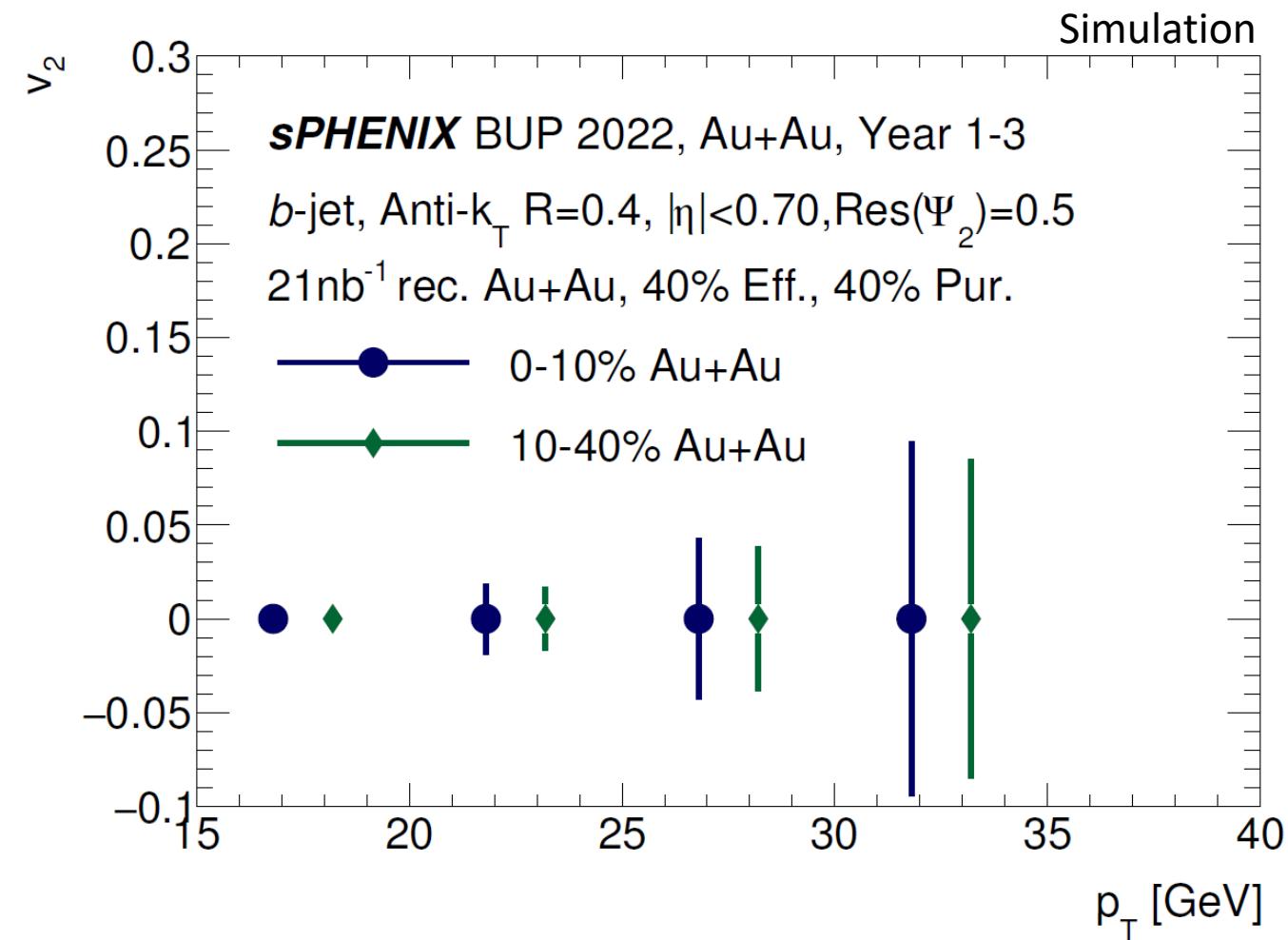
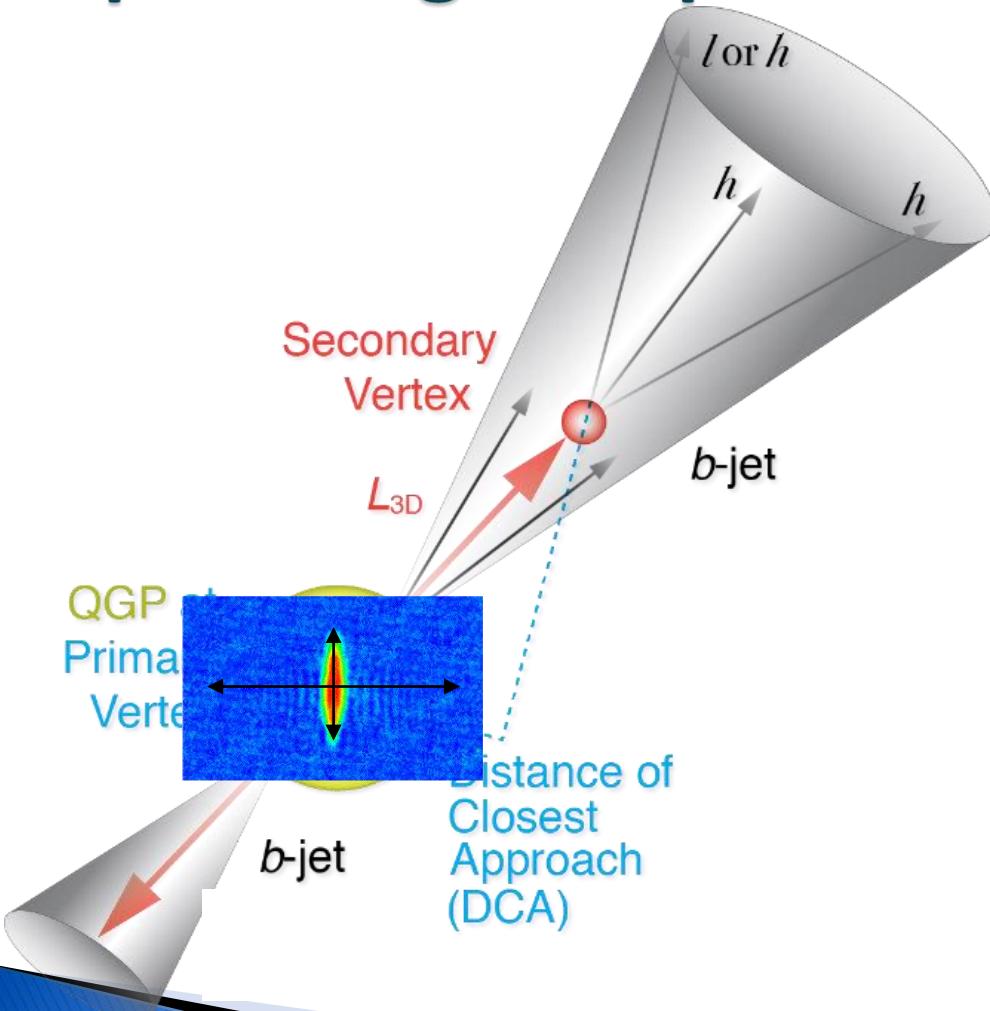
1-8 times mass effect!  
x2 effect vs 10%  
variation on  $g_{\text{med}}$ !

Unique region in the RHIC kine.  
@ max sensitivity to mass eff.

$$R_{\text{AA}}^{\text{bb}} / R_{\text{AA}}^{\text{jj}}$$



# b-jet Flow signature → pathlength dependence energy loss



# Summary

- Beam commissioning for all subsystems in 2023, despite early termination of the RHIC run
- $p+p^{\uparrow}$  run starts soon in early 2024
- Precision HF Physics in HI and  $p+p^{\uparrow}$  on HQ diffusion, energy loss, hadronization, and spin dynamics, enabled by precision tracker, full calorimetric jet, and streaming DAQ

## Questions?

# Extra Information

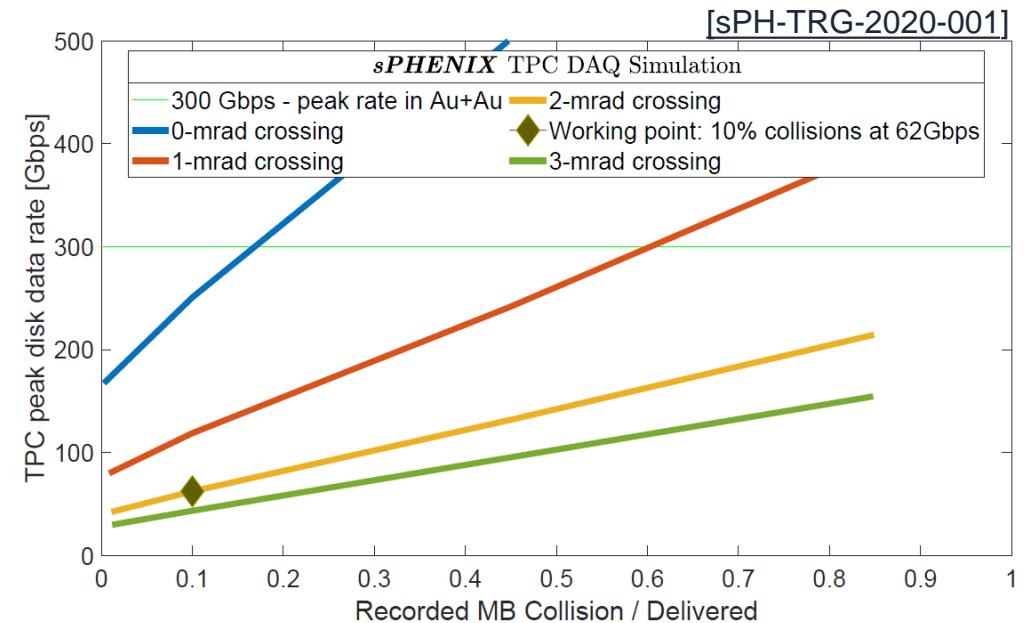


# Streaming readout status at sPHENIX

- ▶ All three sPHENIX tracking detector uses streaming readout
- ▶ Developed plan to take 10% streaming data for heavy flavor physics program commended by RHIC PAC.

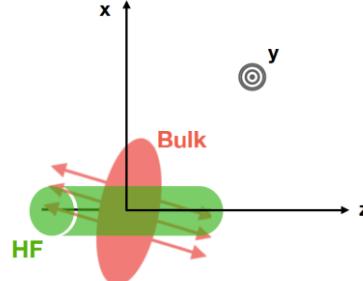
## RHIC PAC 2020 report

We commend sPHENIX for developing the continuous streaming readout option for the detector, which increases the amount of data that can be collected in Run-24 by orders of magnitude. In particular in the sector of open heavy flavor, this technique will give access to a set of qualitatively novel measurements that would otherwise not be accessible. Given the tight timeline for completing the RHIC physics program before construction of the EIC begins, this is a tremendous and highly welcome achievement.

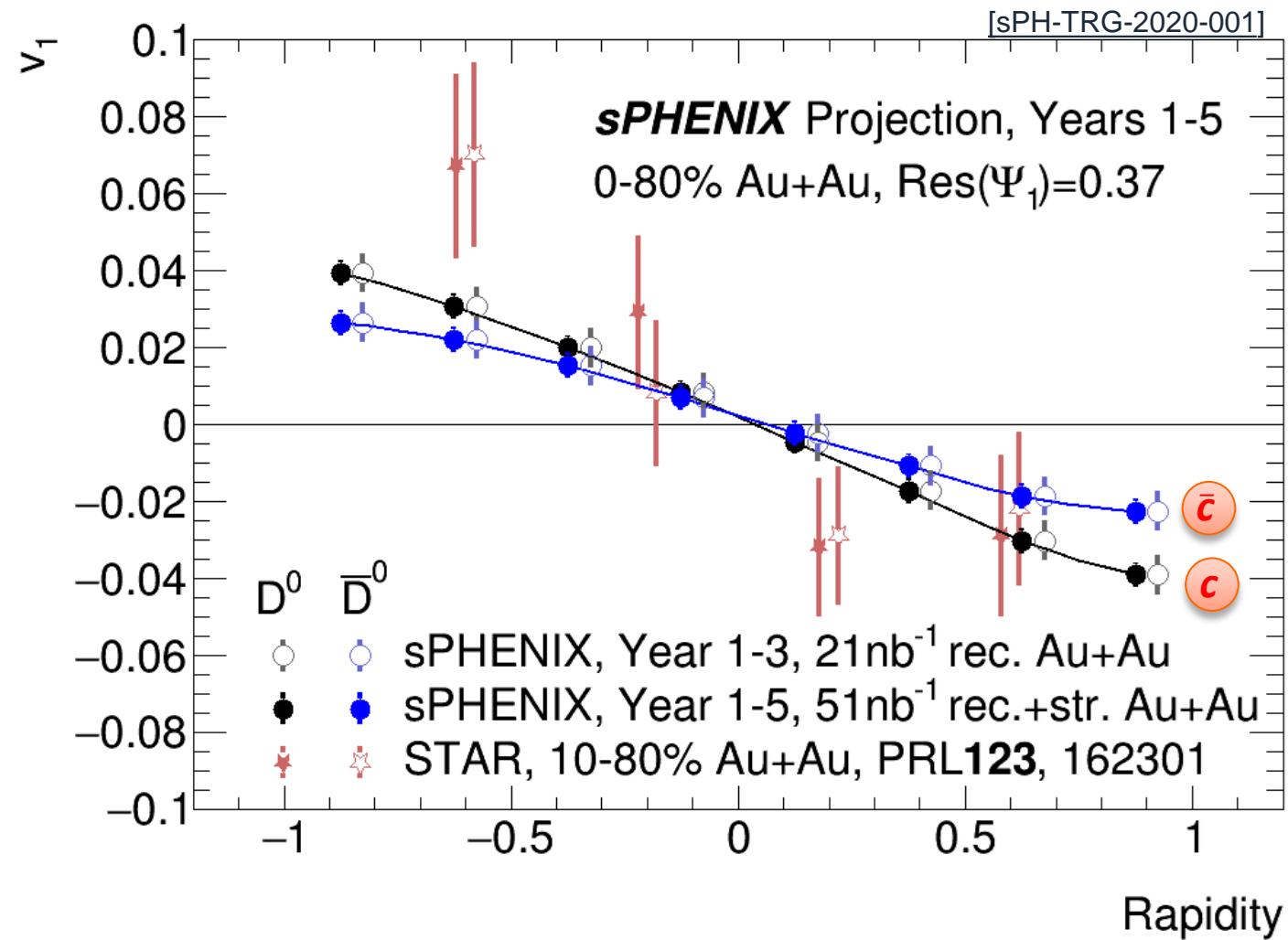
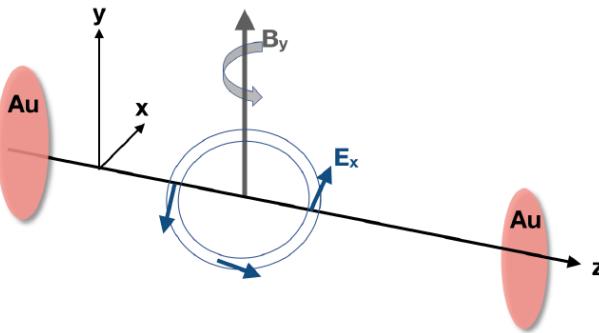


# Charm $v_1$ (via prompt $D_0$ ) $\rightarrow$ initial geom. & $B$ -field

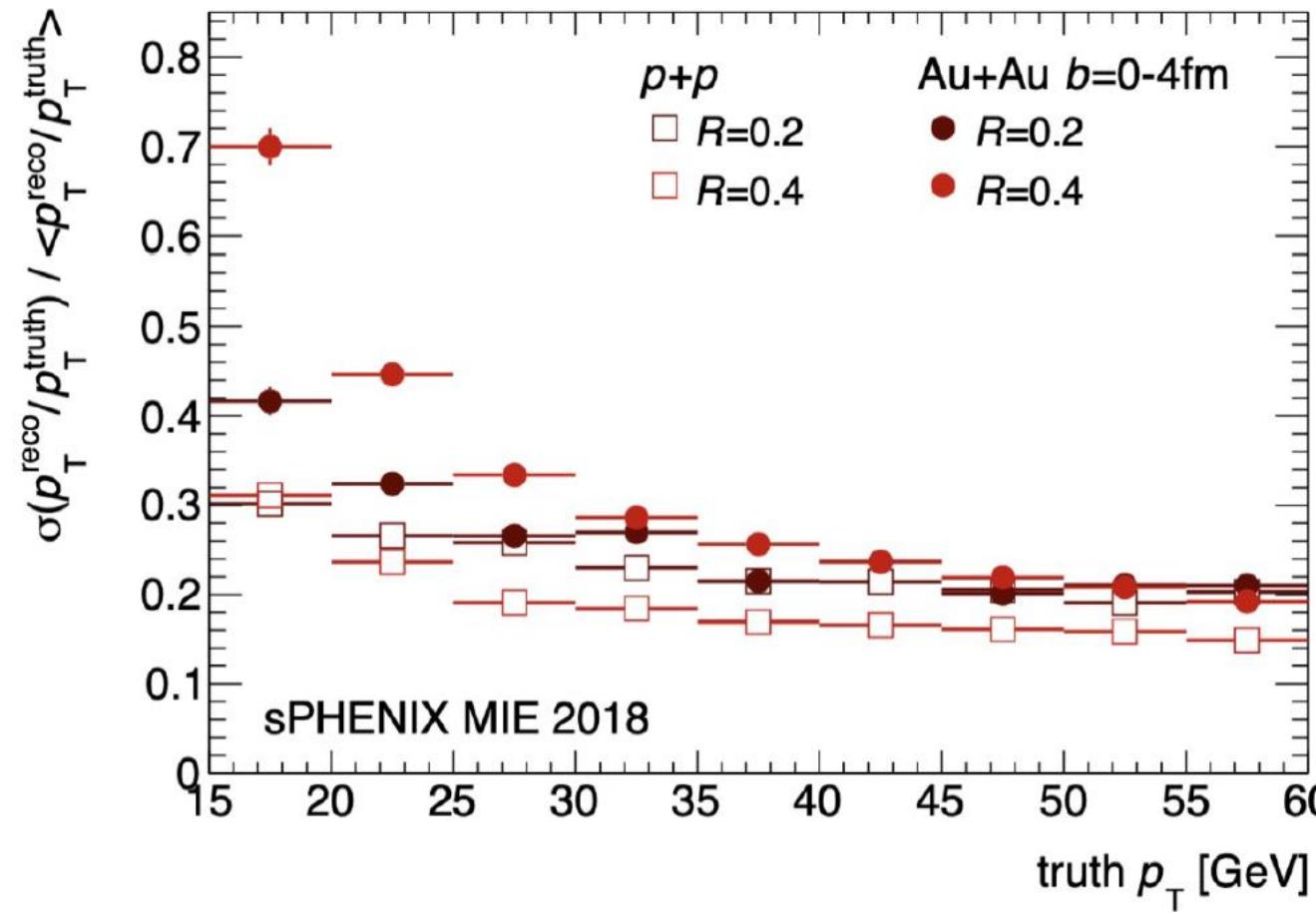
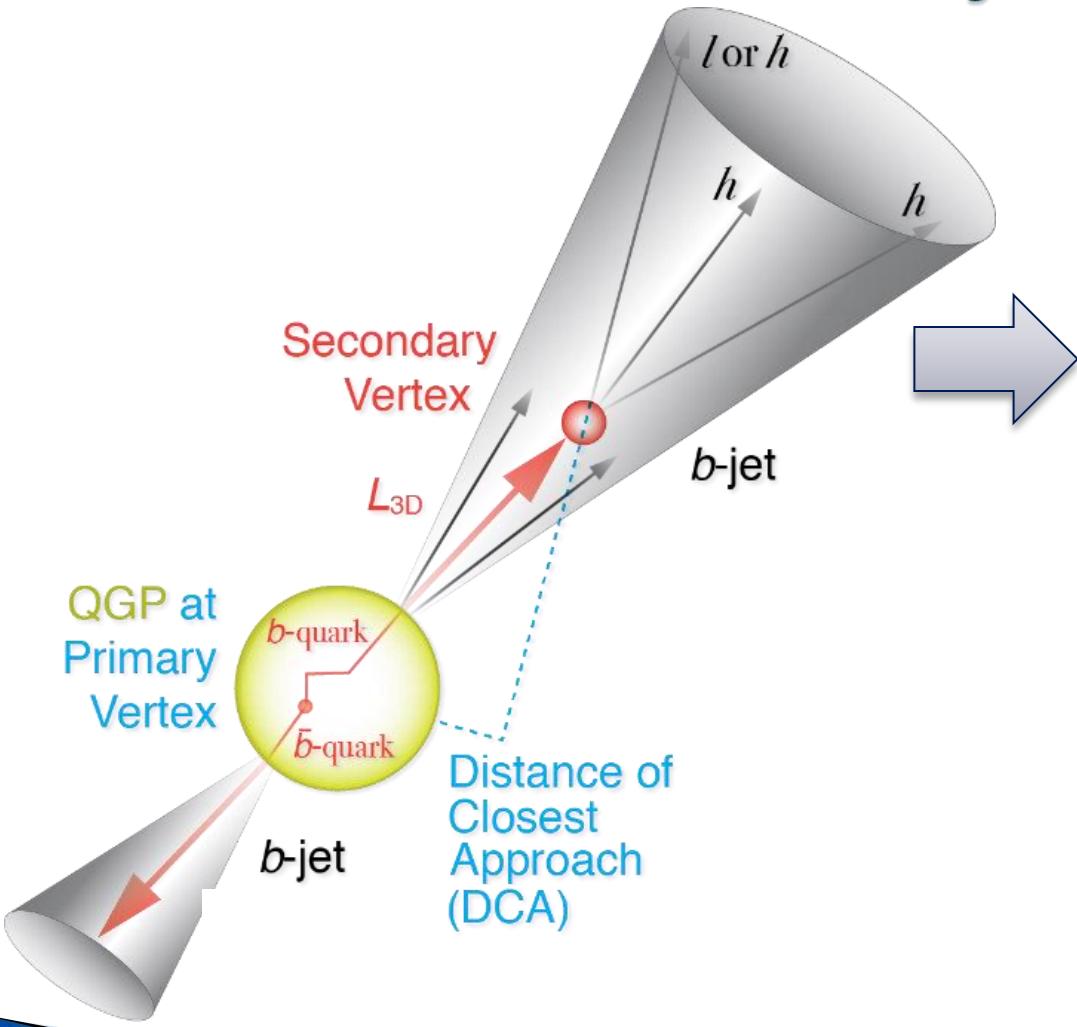
- ▶  $v_1$ : Geometry tilt of QGP source



- ▶  $\Delta v_1$ : Initial magnetic field

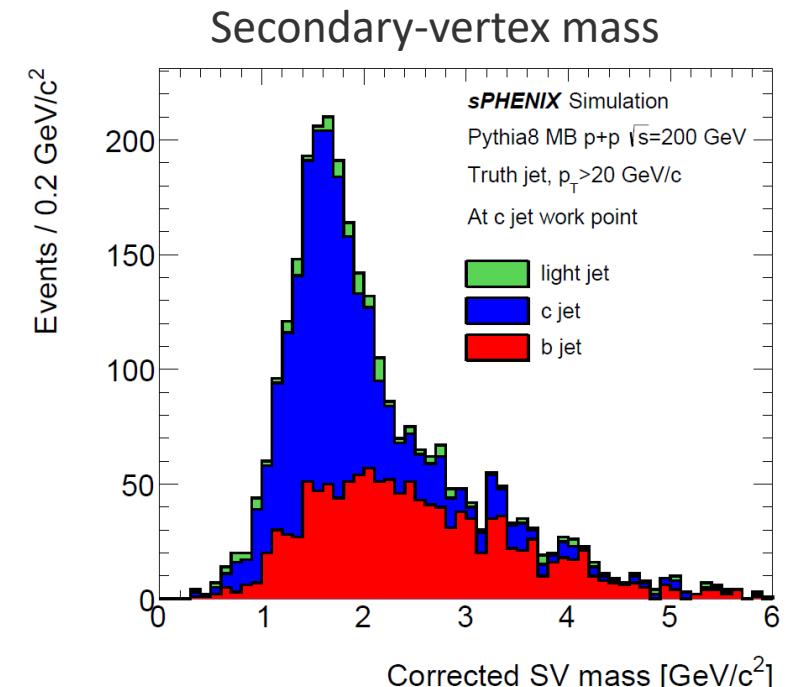
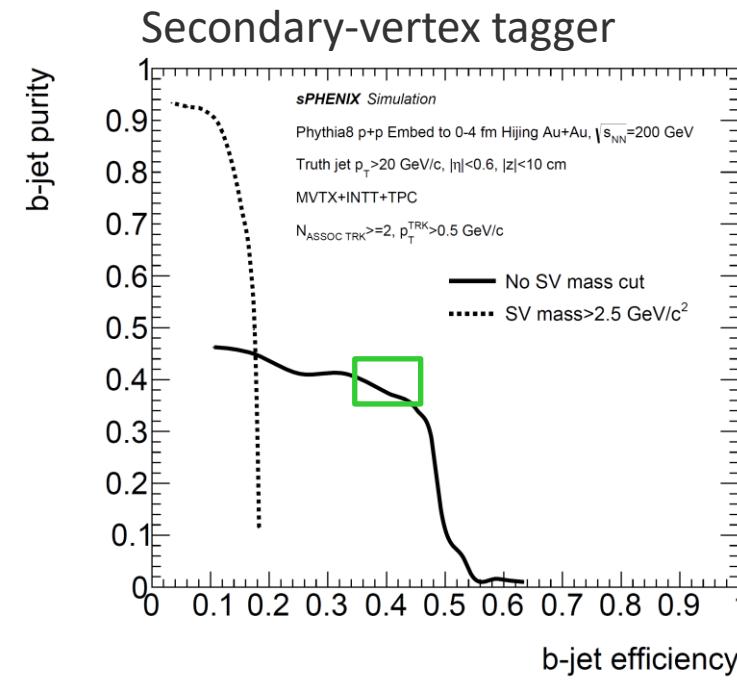
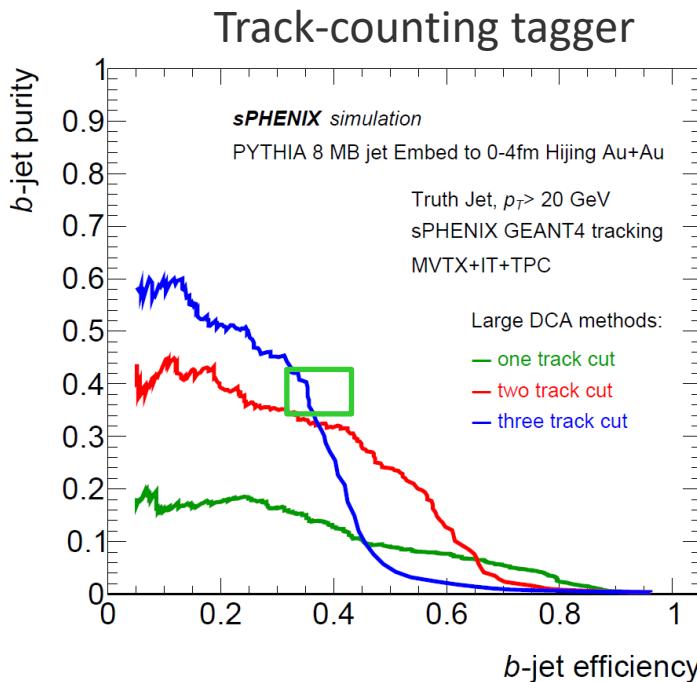


# sPHENIX calorimetric jets and b-jet tagging



# Combining calo.-jet and precision vertex: $b$ -jet tagging

- ▶ Demonstrate  $b$ -jet capability: tagging algorithms evaluated using full detector HI simulation
- ▶ Reaching a promising working point in central Au+Au collisions

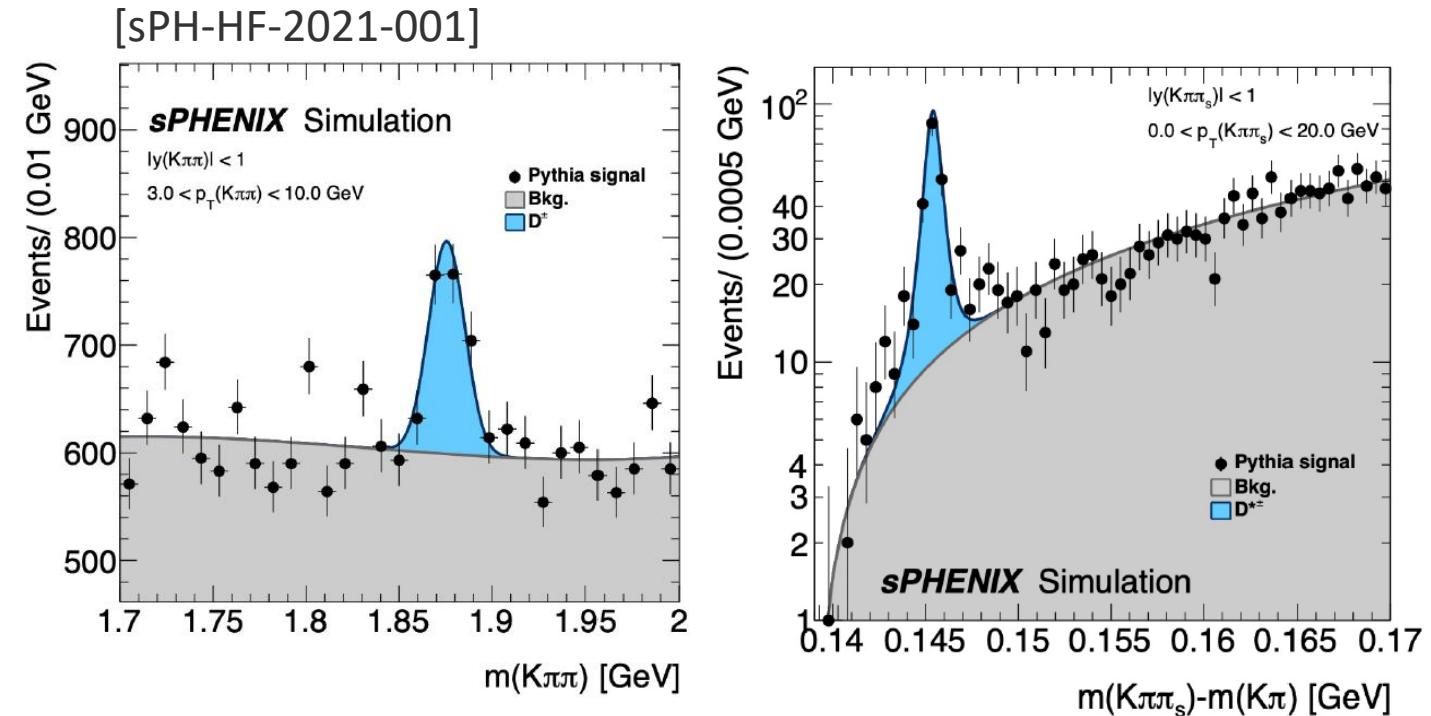
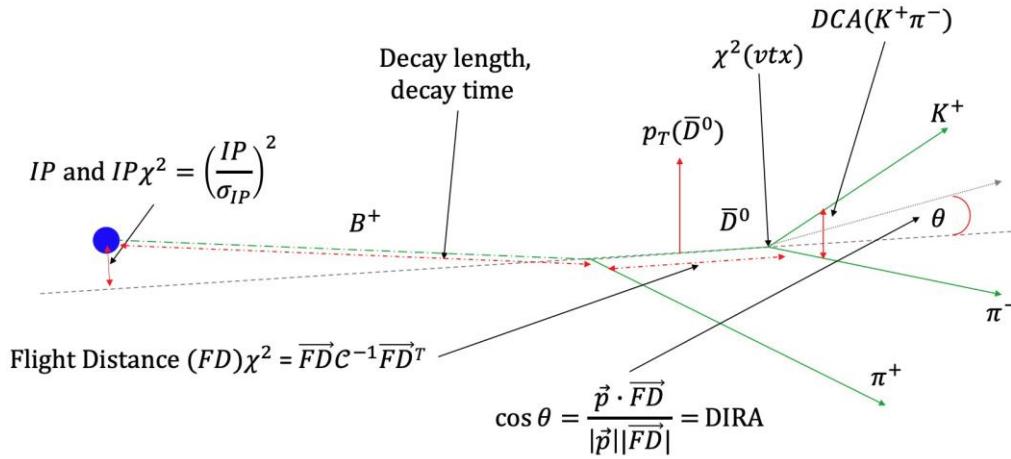


CMS work-point, Phys. Rev. Lett. 113, 132301 (2014)

[sPH-HF-2018-001]

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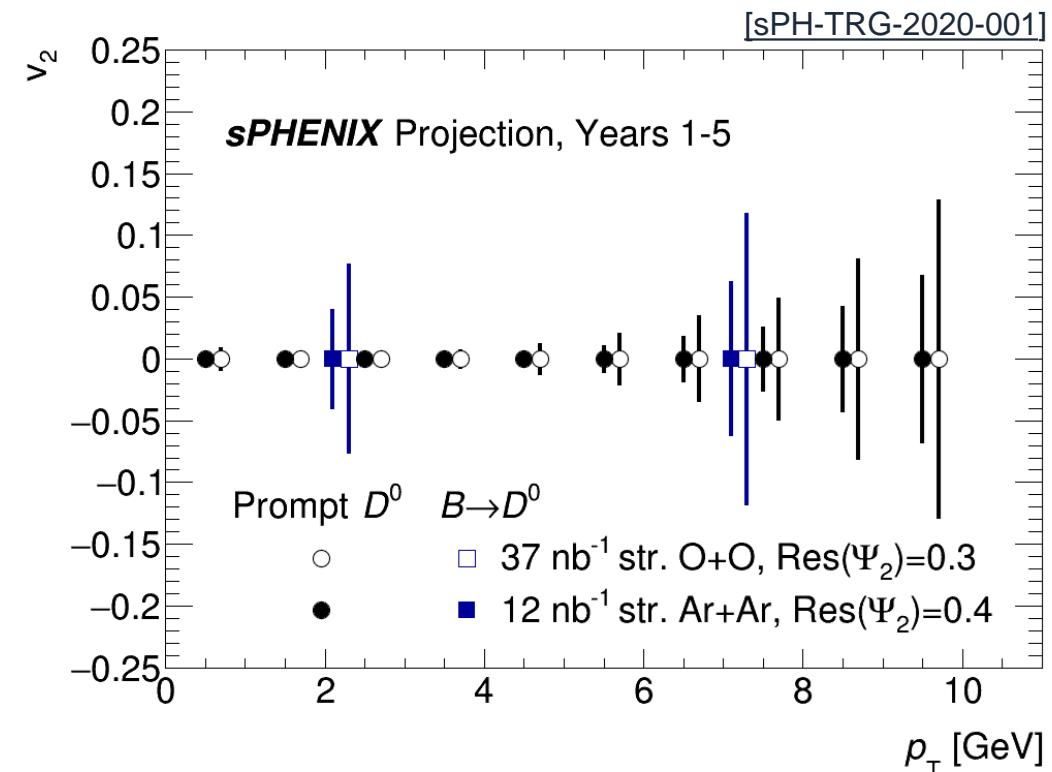
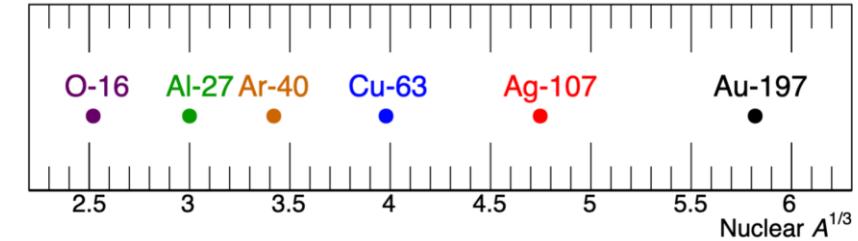
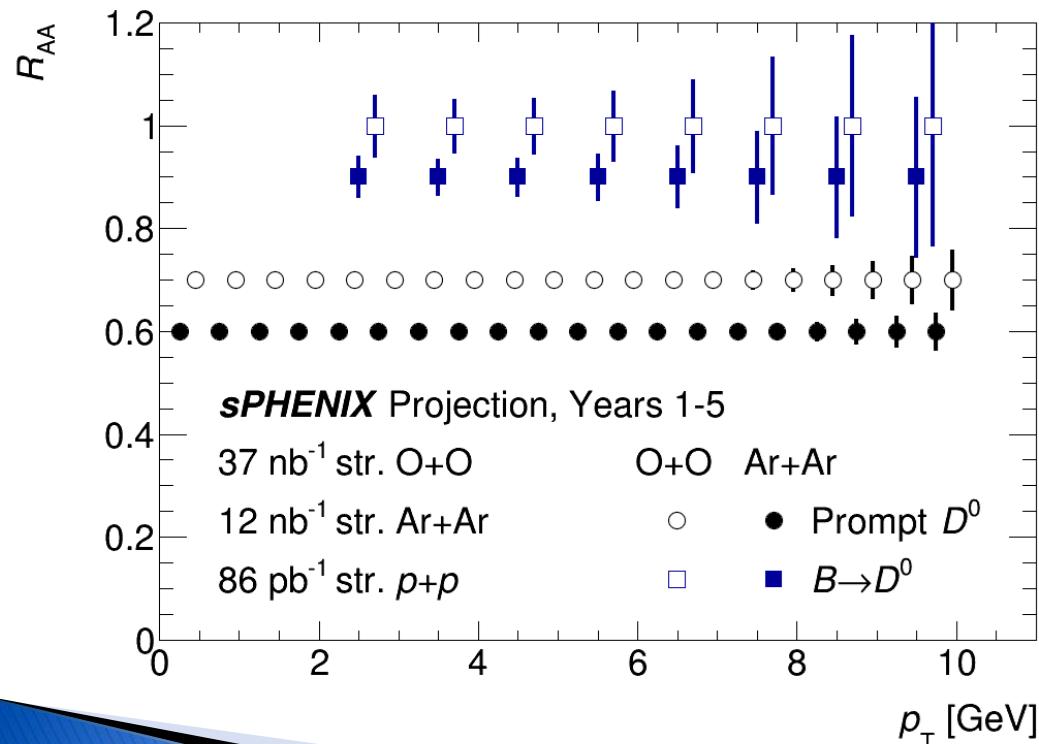
- ▶ sPHENIX integration of KFParticle:
  - Generic resonance reco, also used in CBM, STAR , ALICE
- ▶ Used in mock data challenges → day-1 data



# Possible runs beyond 2025

## – Small collision system

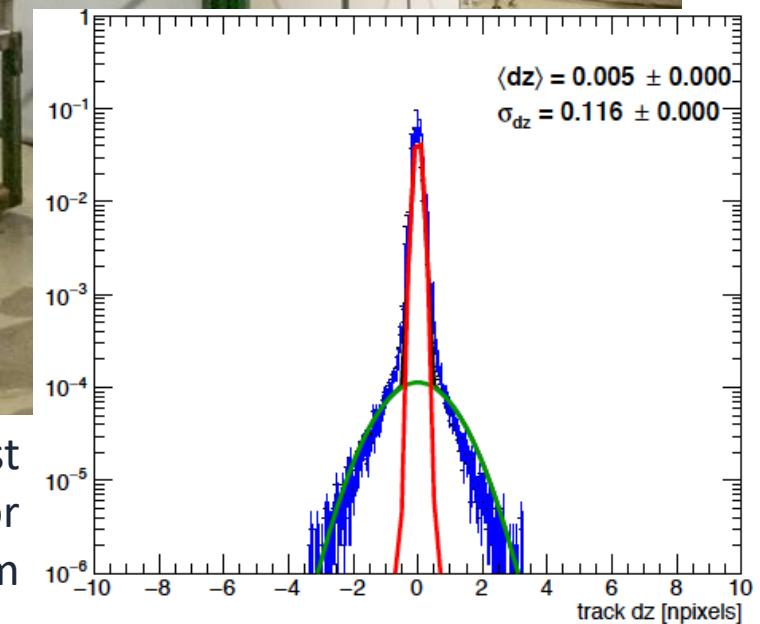
- ▶ If opportunity arise in 2026-27, OO, ArAr runs
- ▶ pA: Mystery of non-zero HF v2 but lack of quenching. Small-A collision may bridge the gap from pA to large-AA



# The tracking stack in the 2019 test beam

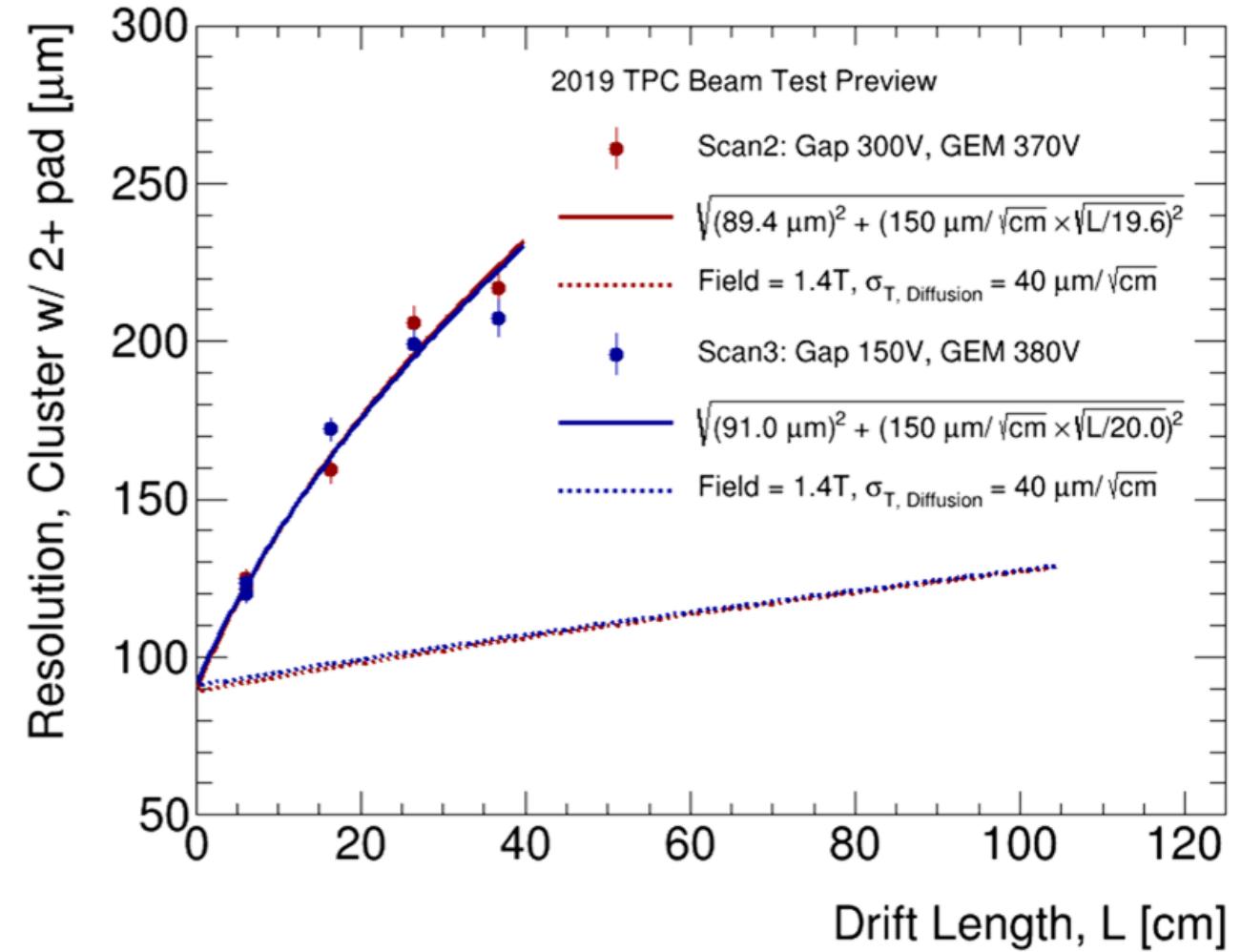


sPHENIX MVTX 2019 Beam Test  
Using 180nm ITS2 ALPIDE MAPS sensor  
MVTX Cluster hit Spatial Resolution < 5 um



# Main tracker: Time projection chamber (TPC)

- ▶ Gateless and continues readout with GEM (similar to the ALICE TPC upgrade)
- ▶ Fast drift, low T diffusion, low ion backflow:  
50:50 Ne-CF<sub>4</sub> gas, 13 us drift
- ▶ 48 layer of pad rows, zigzag pad
- ▶ SAMPA v5 ASIC with 80ns shaping time
- ▶  $d\mu/p \sim 1\%$  at 5GeV/c



# Proposed run schedule, year 1-3

RHIC PAC-2021 Report:  
“sPHENIX construction,  
installation and operation to  
accomplish its science goals  
is now the overarching  
priority for RHIC for the next  
4 – 5 years.”

sPHENIX BUP2021 [sPH-TRG-2021-001], 24 (& 28) cryo-week scenarios

Year	Species	$\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ [GeV]	Cryo Weeks	Physics Weeks	Rec. Lum. $ z  < 10$ cm	Samp. Lum. $ z  < 10$ cm
2023	Au+Au	200	24 (28)	9 (13)	3.7 (5.7) nb <sup>-1</sup>	4.5 (6.9) nb <sup>-1</sup>
2024	$p^\uparrow p^\uparrow$	200	24 (28)	12 (16)	0.3 (0.4) pb <sup>-1</sup> [5 kHz] 4.5 (6.2) pb <sup>-1</sup> [10%-str]	45 (62) pb <sup>-1</sup>
2024	$p^\uparrow + \text{Au}$	200	–	5	0.003 pb <sup>-1</sup> [5 kHz] 0.01 pb <sup>-1</sup> [10%-str]	0.11 pb <sup>-1</sup>
2025	Au+Au	200	24 (28)	20.5 (24.5)	13 (15) nb <sup>-1</sup>	21 (25) nb <sup>-1</sup>