



# Readiness for physics data taking of sPHENIX experiment at RHIC

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## Conclusion

- No Physics Yet

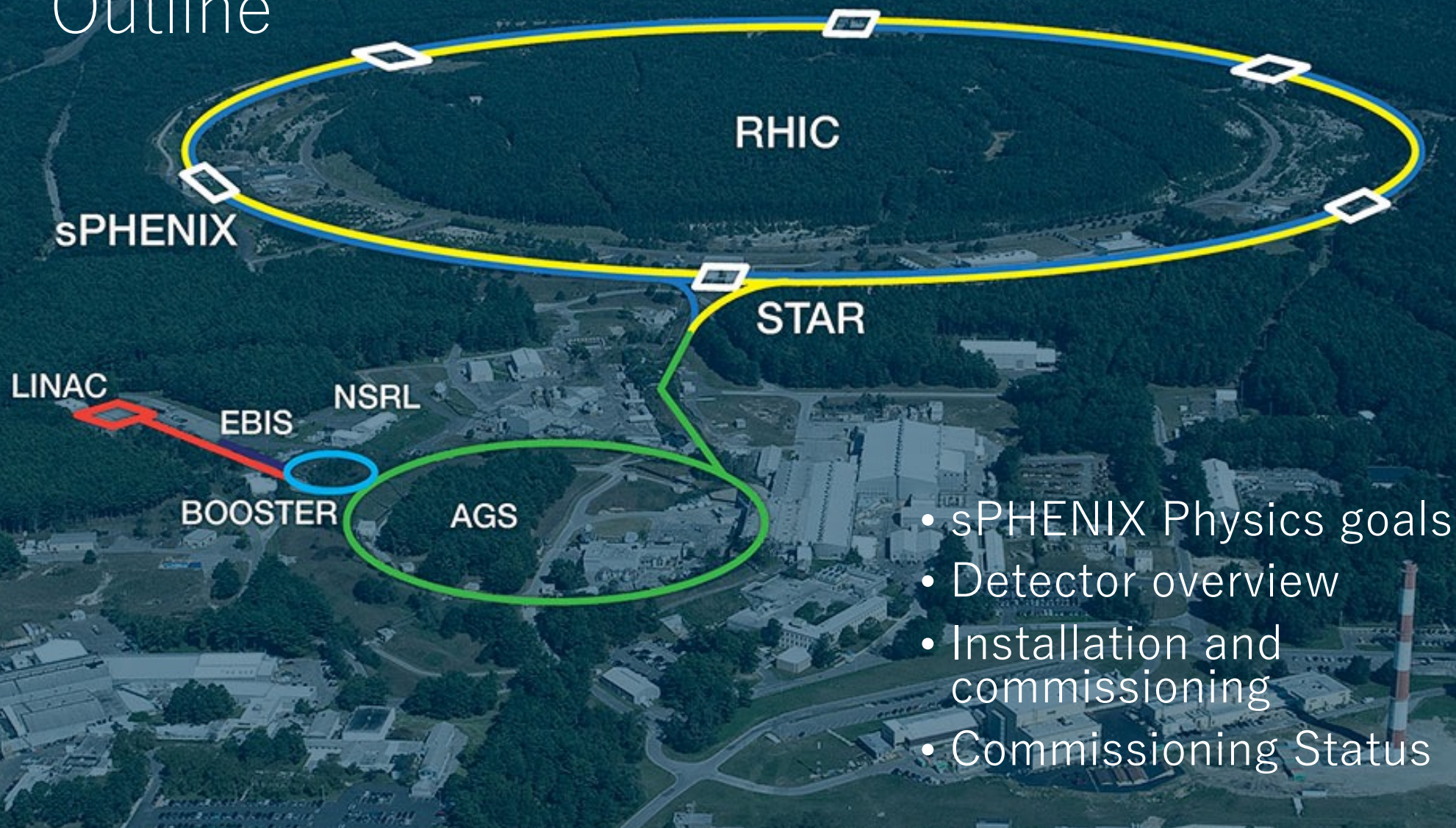
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# Conclusion

- sPHENIX is new Jet and heavy flavor Detector at RHIC for QGP and cold-QCD.
- **Commissioning ongoing.**
- Some detectors are ready to take physics, while some needs are not yet.

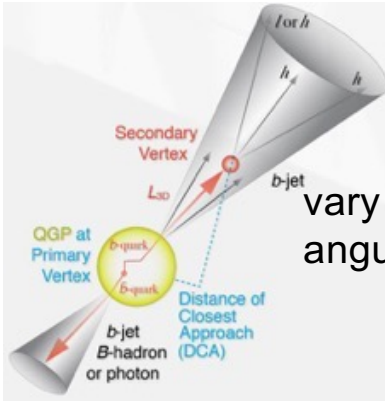
# Outline



- sPHENIX Physics goals
- Detector overview
- Installation and commissioning
- Commissioning Status

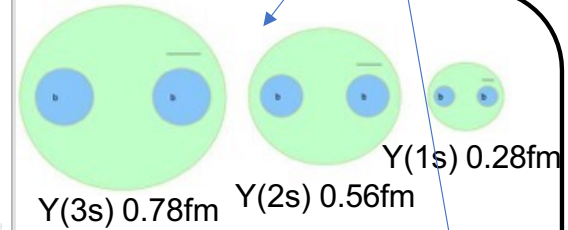
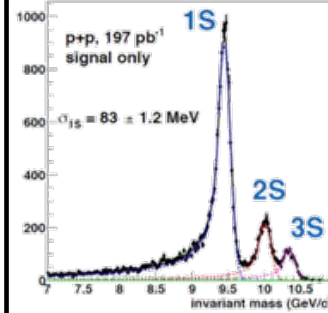
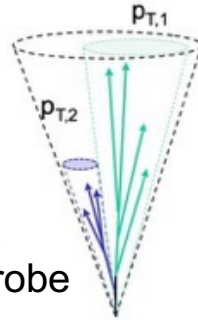
# sPHENIX Physics Program

Zhaozhong Shi's talk on Thursday 08/24



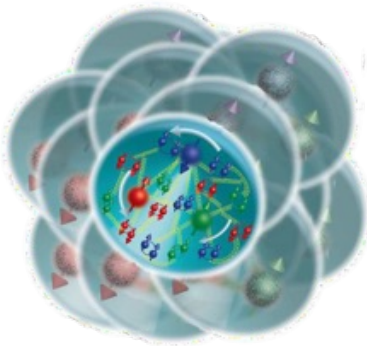
vary momentum & angular scale of probe

## Jet physics



vary size of probe

## Quarkonium spectroscopy



## Cold QCD

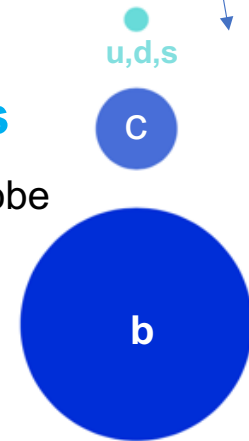
vary temperature of QCD matter

study proton spin, transverse-momentum, and cold nuclear effects

## Parton energy loss

vary mass & momentum of probe

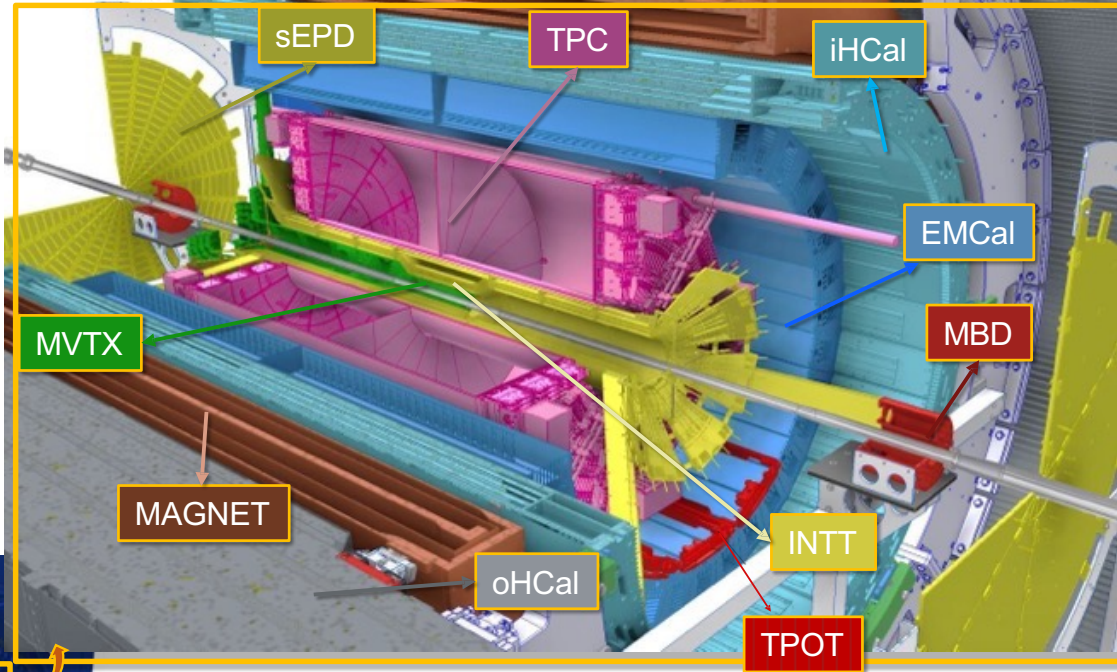
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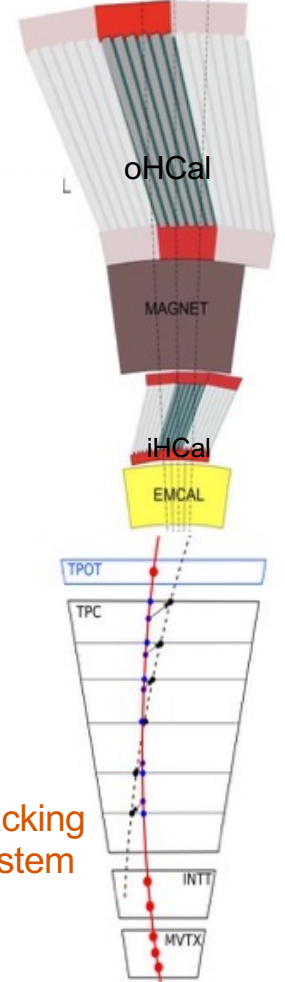


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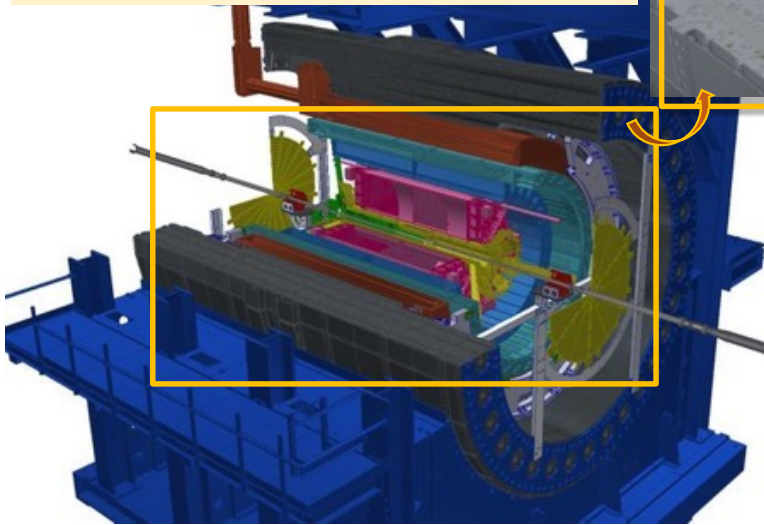
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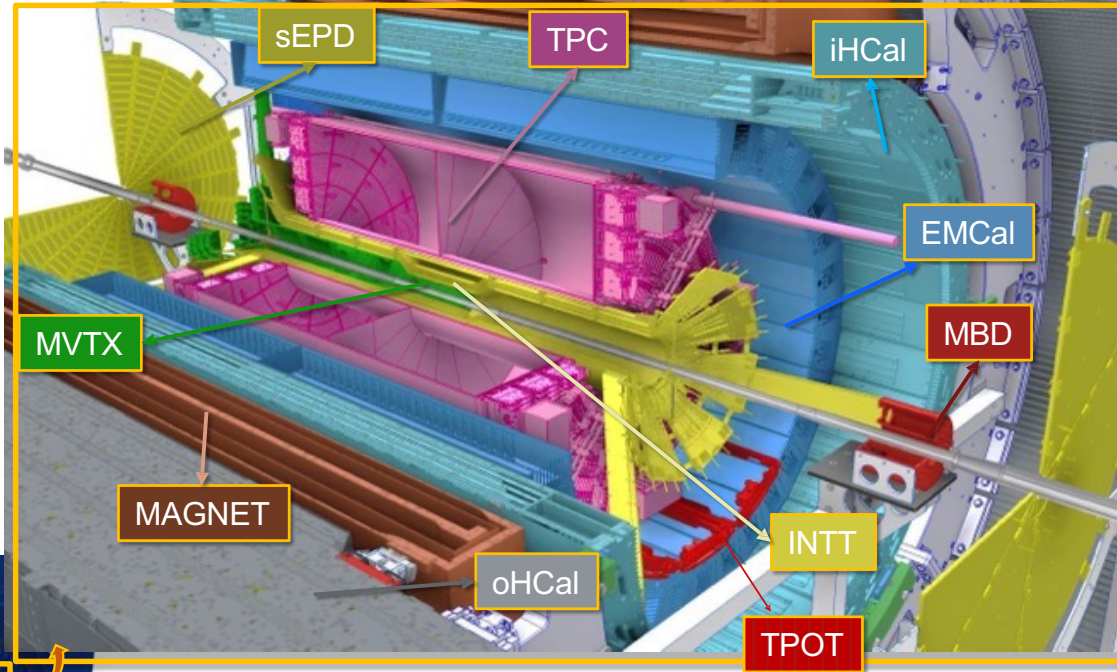
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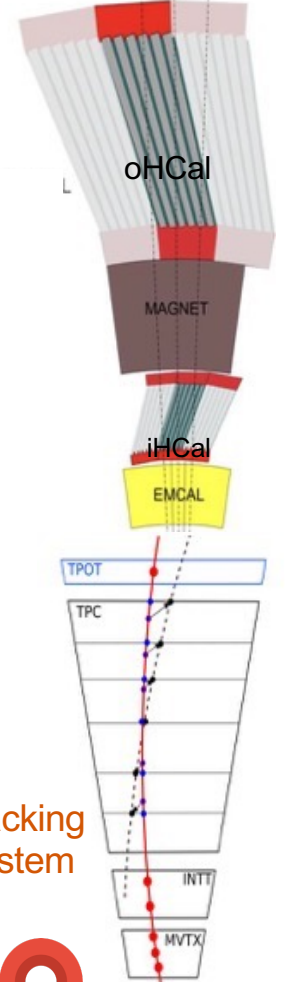


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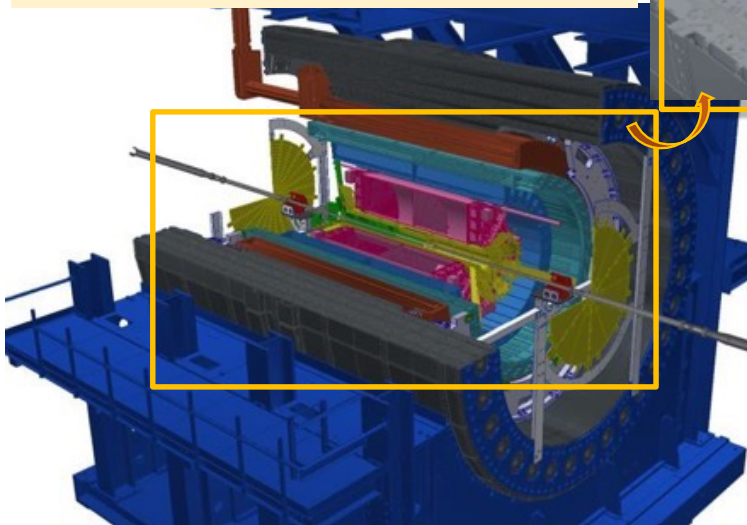
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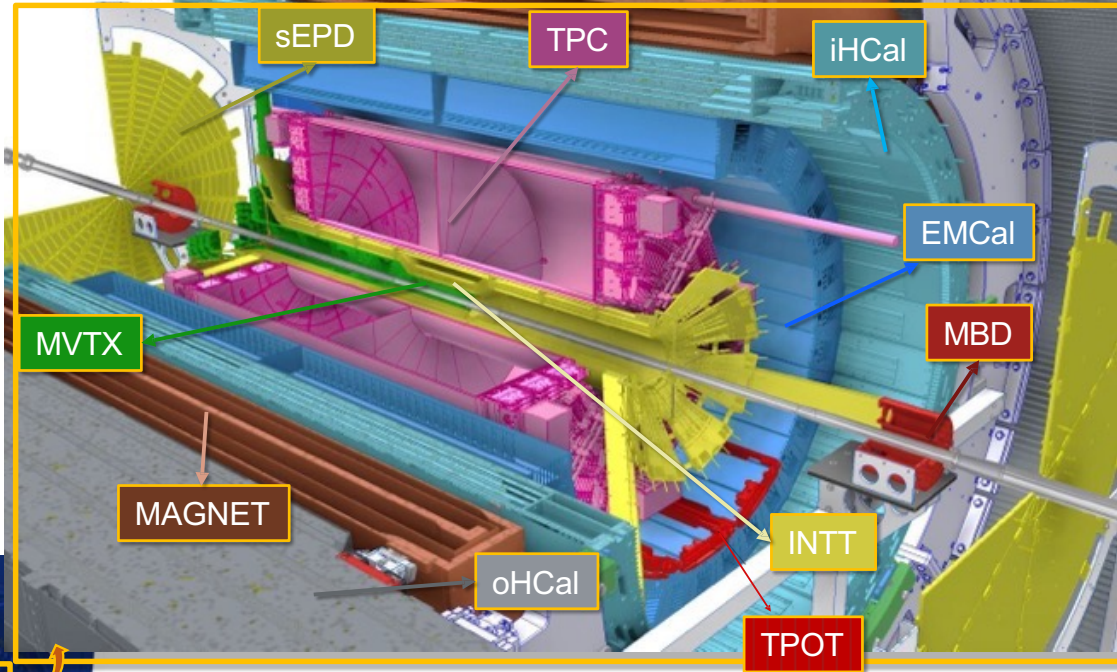
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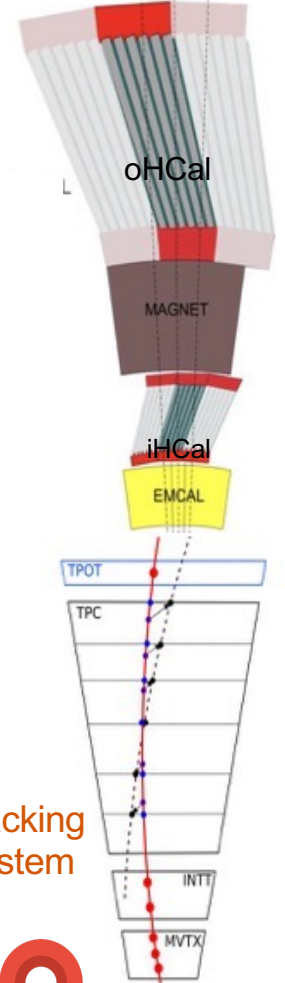


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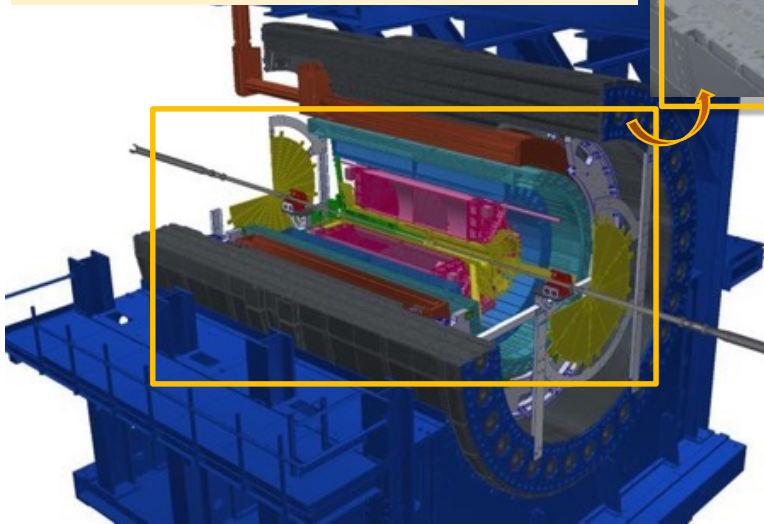
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# Hadron and EM Calorimeters

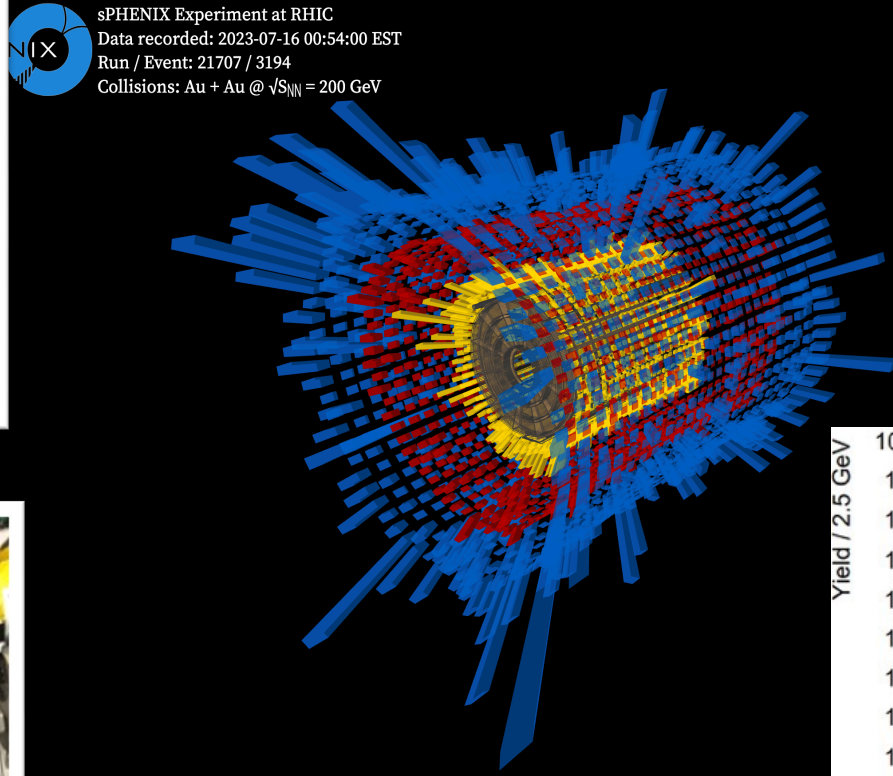
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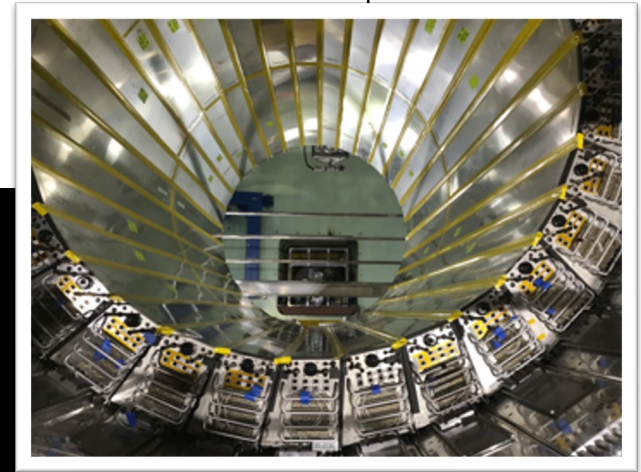
Inner HCal Installation



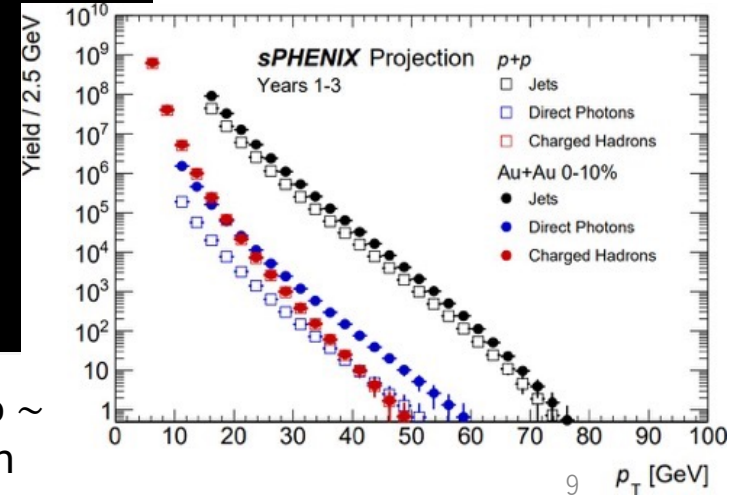
sPHENIX Experiment at RHIC  
Data recorded: 2023-07-16 00:54:00 EST  
Run / Event: 21707 / 3194  
Collisions: Au + Au @  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV



EMCal in position

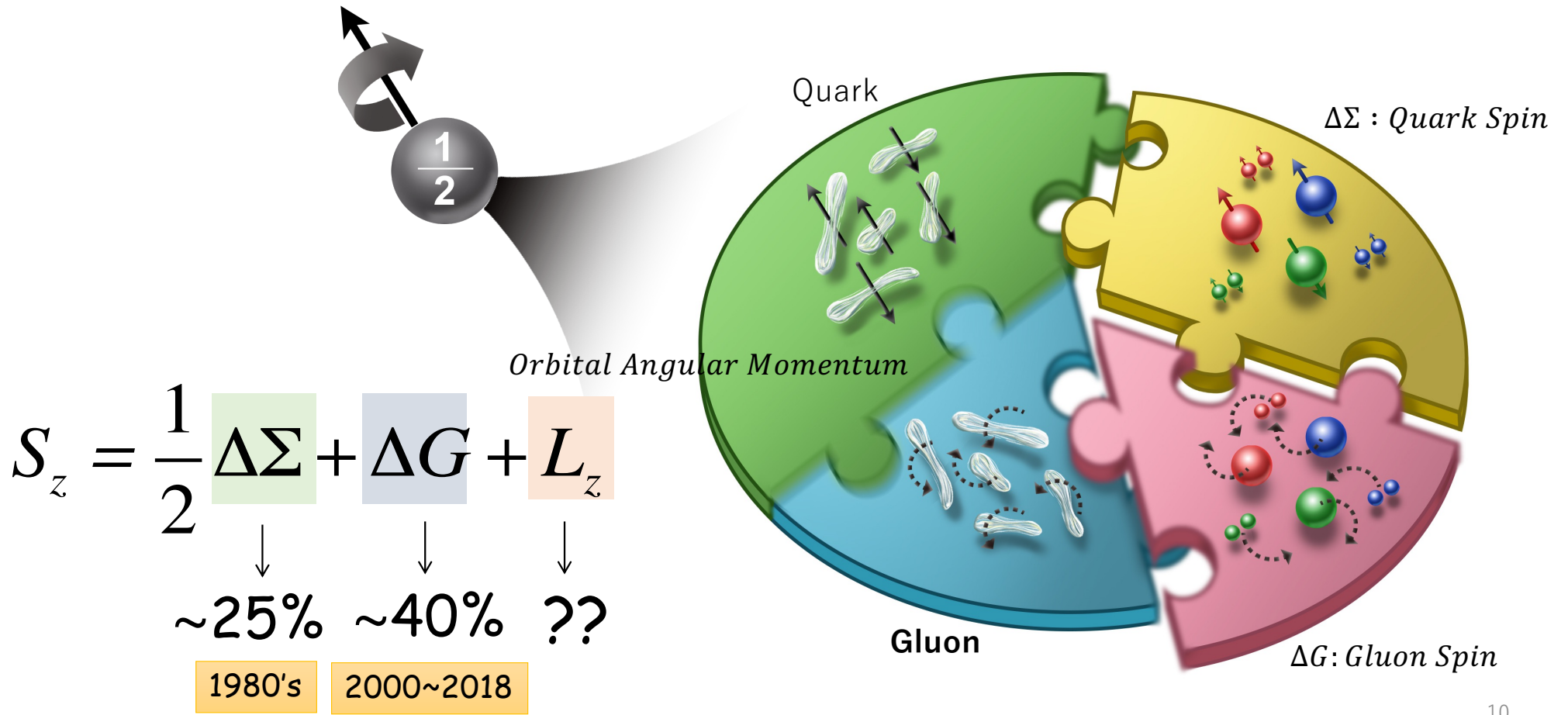


sPHENIX Simulation



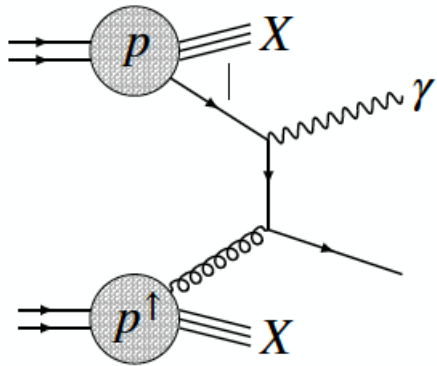
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# Cold-QCD: Proton Spin Decomposition



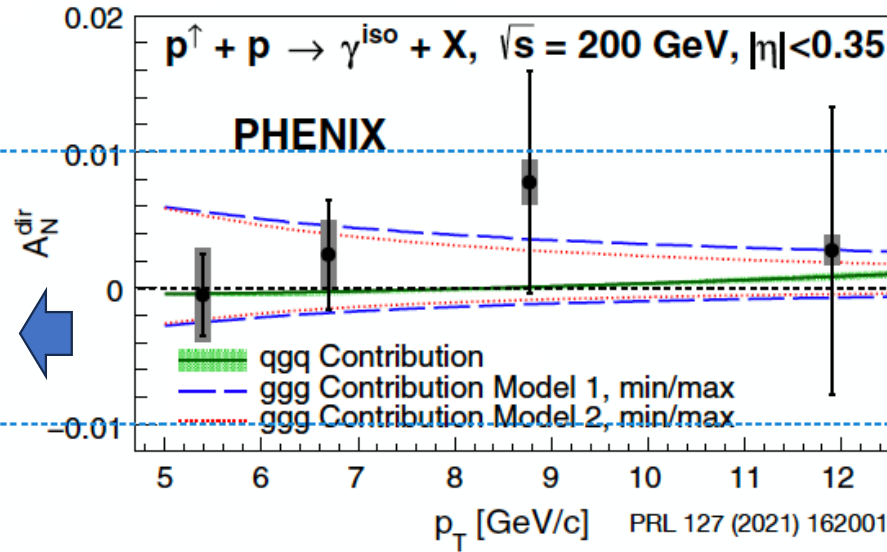
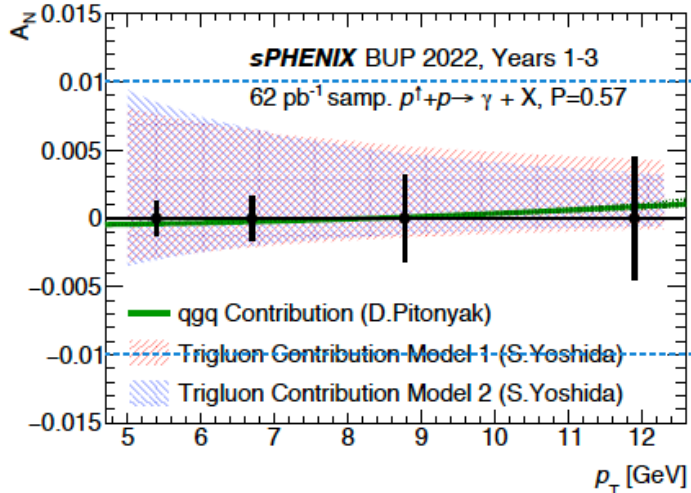
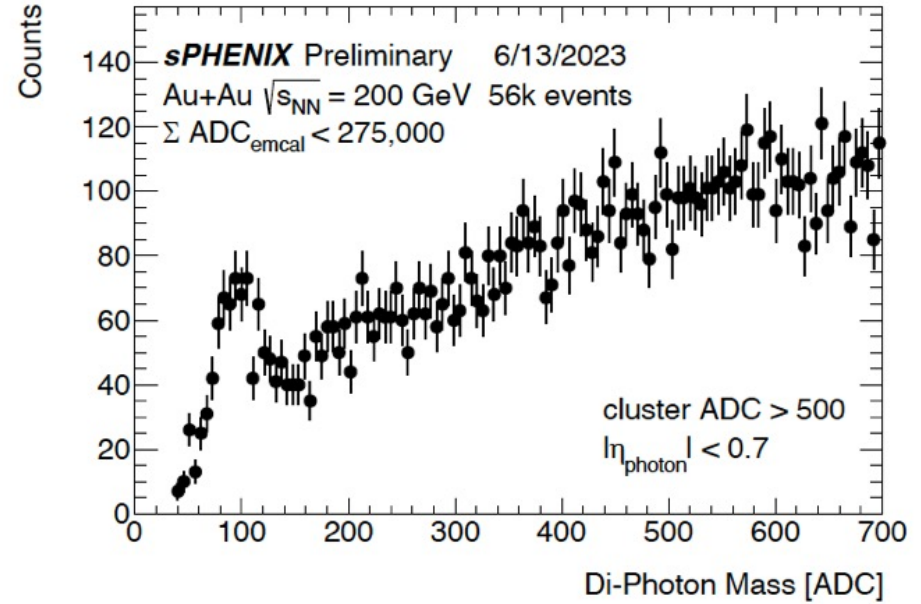


# Gluon TMD by Direct- $\gamma$



TMD: Transverse Momentum Dependence

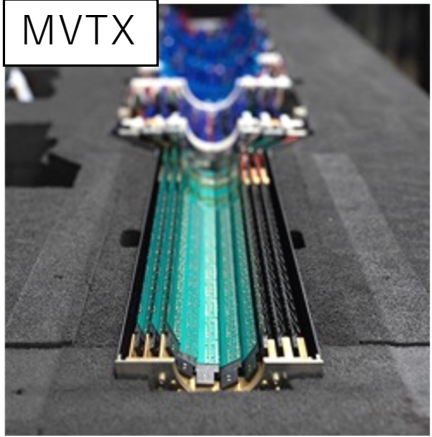
$$p^\uparrow + p \rightarrow \gamma + X$$



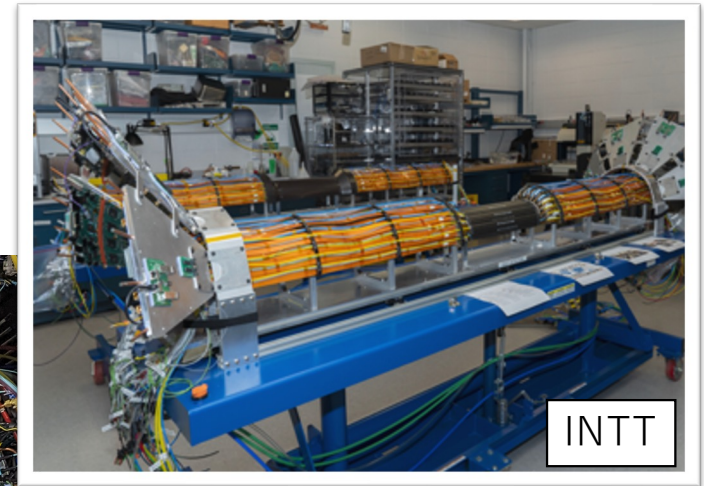
Much improved direct photon TSSA -> gluon TMD



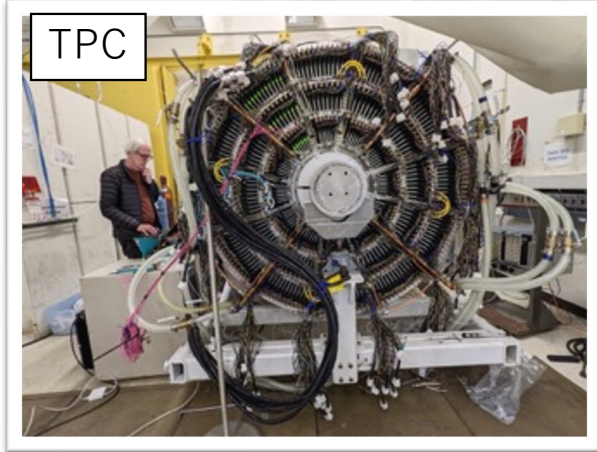
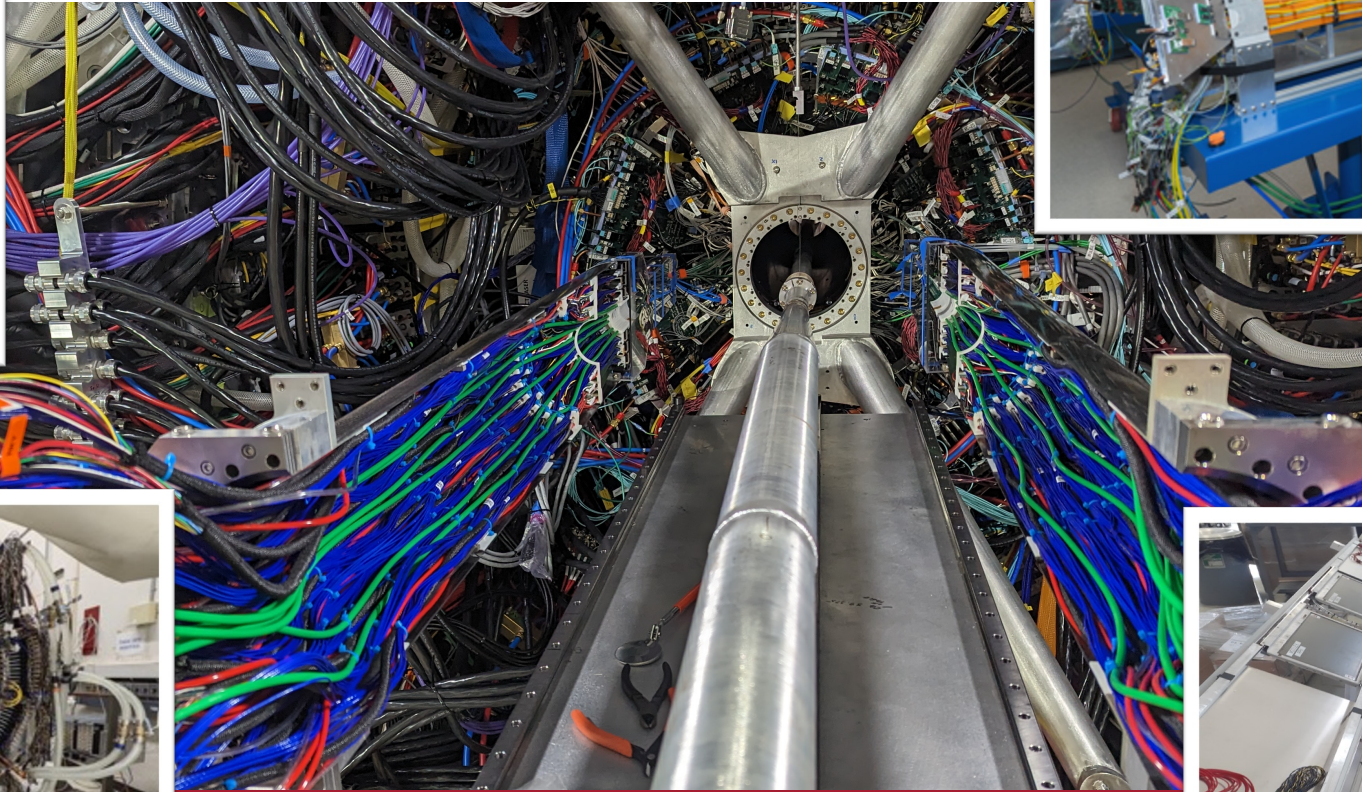
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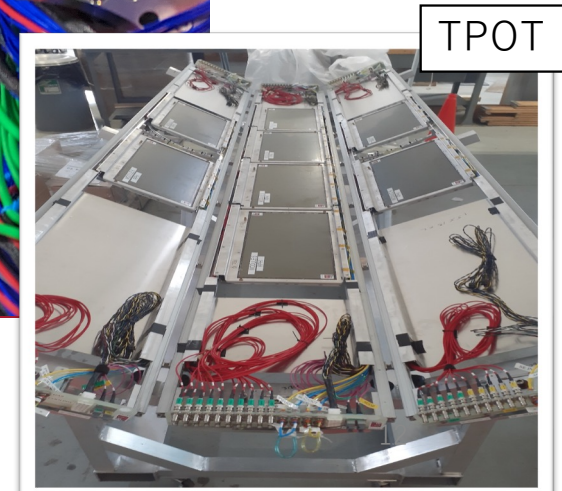
MVTX



INTT



TPC



TPOT

All Trackers installed in Position (March 30th, 2023)



### Silicon pixel detector (MVTX)

- 29  $\mu\text{m}$  x 27  $\mu\text{m}$ , pixels
- $2.5 \text{ cm} < R < 4.5 \text{ cm}$
- 20 BCLK integration time

### Silicon strip detector (INTT)

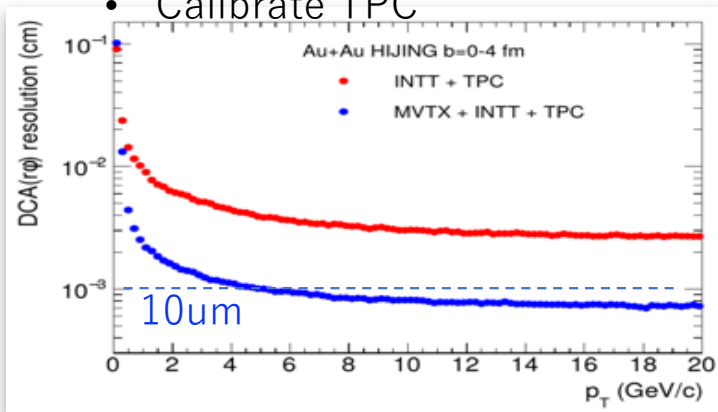
- 78 $\mu\text{m}$ , strip sensors
- $7 \text{ cm} < R < 11 \text{ cm}$
- 1 BCLK timing resolution

### Time projection Chamber (TPC)

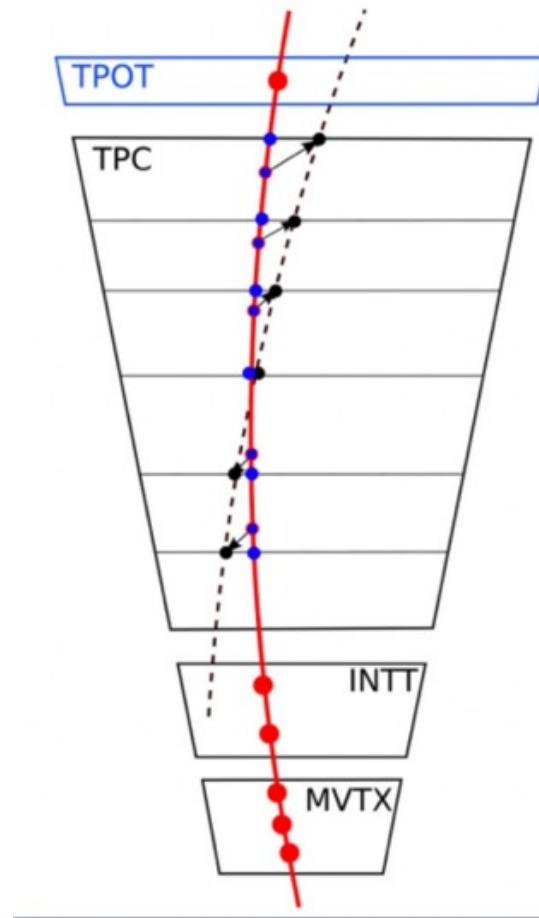
- $20 \text{ cm} < R < 78 \text{ cm}$
- Spatial resolution,  $\sim 100 \mu\text{m}$
- Long drift time,  $\sim 13 \mu\text{s}$

### TPC Outer Tracker (TPOT)

- Calibrate TPC

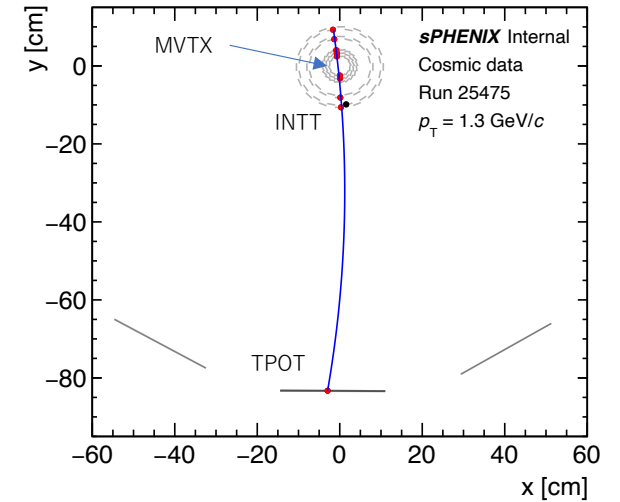


# Tracking System

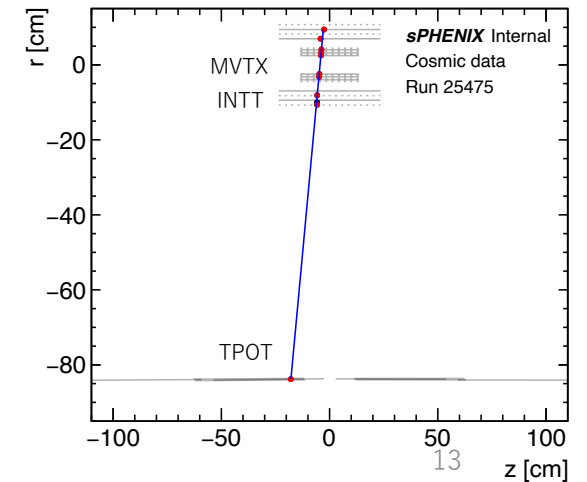


## Cosmic Ray Track Reconstruction

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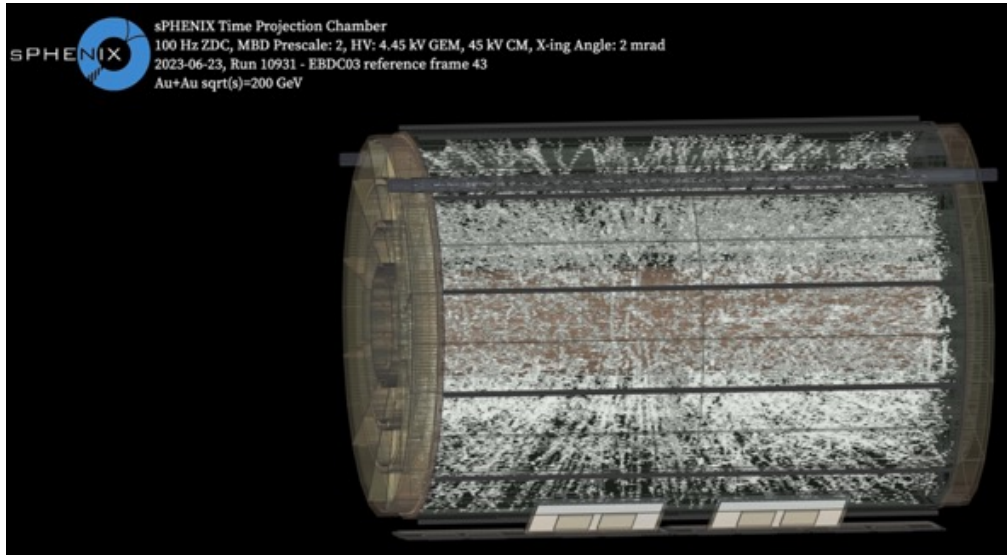


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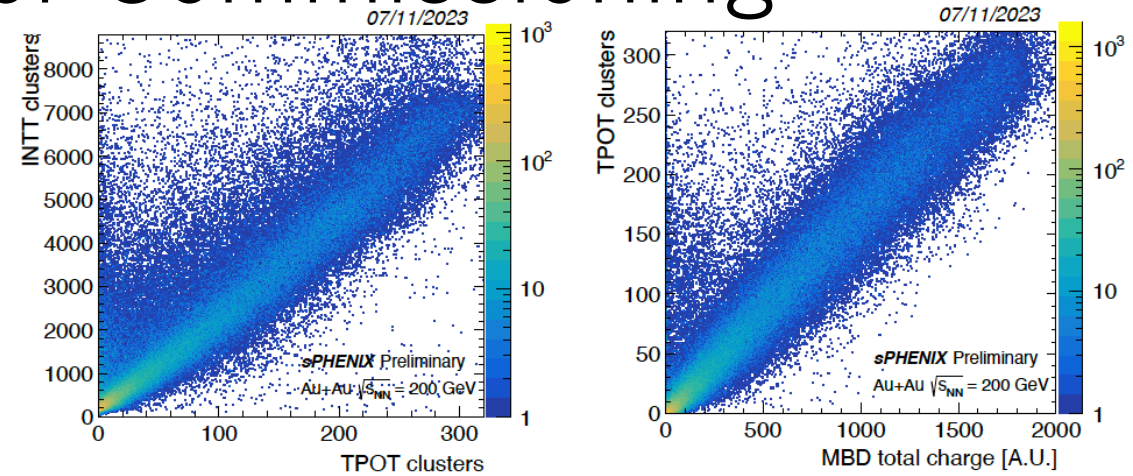




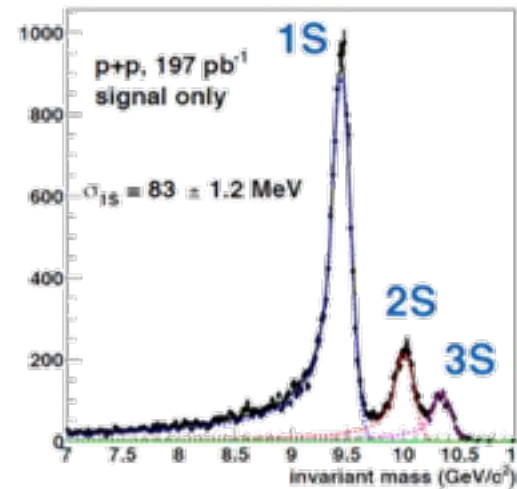
# Tracking Detector Commissioning



- TPC Event Display in Au+Au @ 200GeV
- Multiplicity correlations between MBD-INTT-TPOT
- MVTX correlation between different layers
- More correlation hits in Zhaozhong Shi's talk on Thursday 08/24



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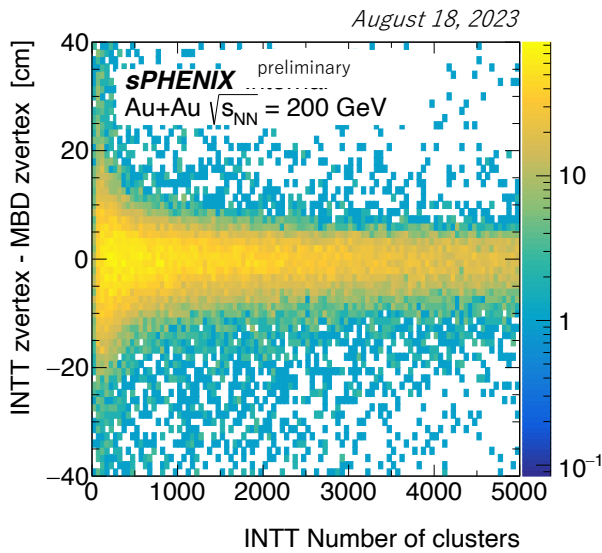


Clear separation between 2S and 3S states



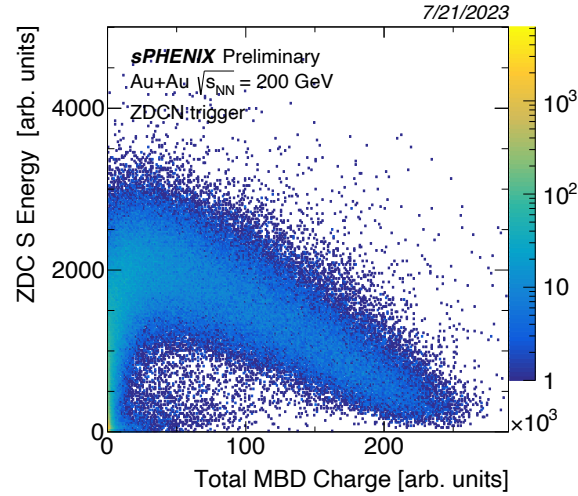
# Vertex Reconstruction & Centrality sPHENIX Simulation

INTT-MBD Z-vertex Reconstruction

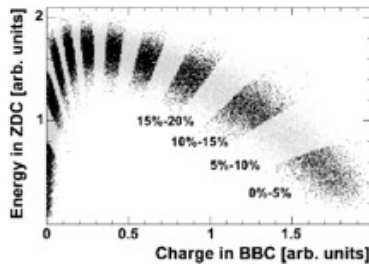


Confirmed fairly consistent z-vertex reconstruction between two independent detectors

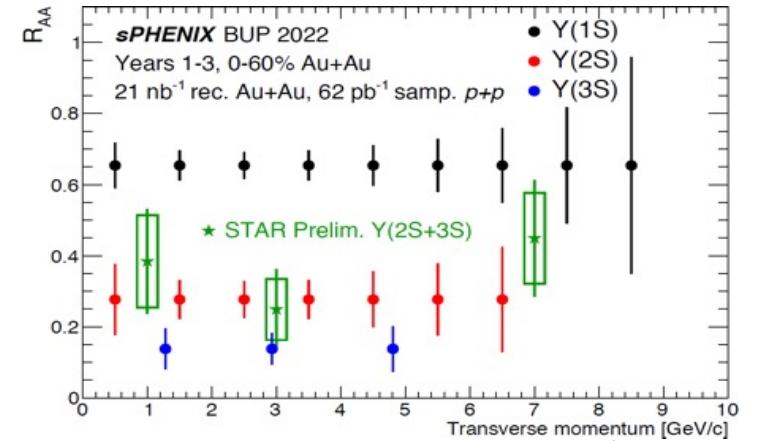
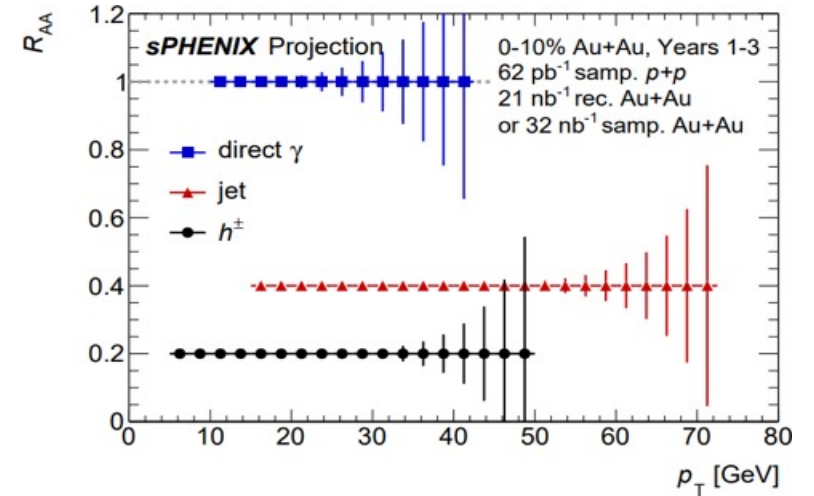
MBD-ZDC Centrality



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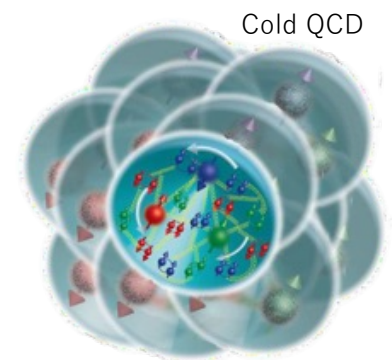
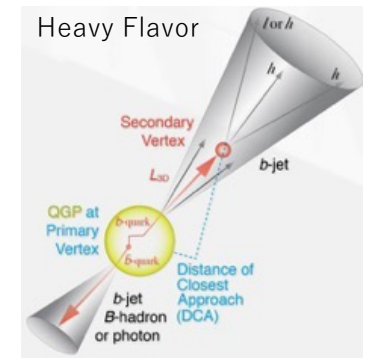
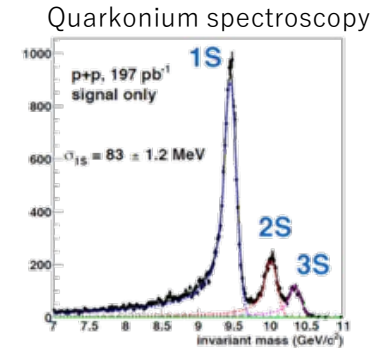
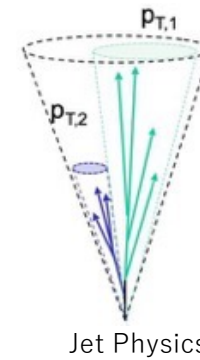
Published Centrality plot in PHENIX





# sPHENIX Summary

- Large and hermetic EM and hadronic calorimetry.
- Highly precise tracking.
- 15kHz trigger rate and stream readout for trackers.
- Wide range of physics covered in sPHENIX
- A lot of progress in 2023 commissioning with Au+Au Collision at  $\sqrt{s} = 200\text{GeV}$  and getting ready for 2024 Run.
- Will address on cold QCD in 2024!



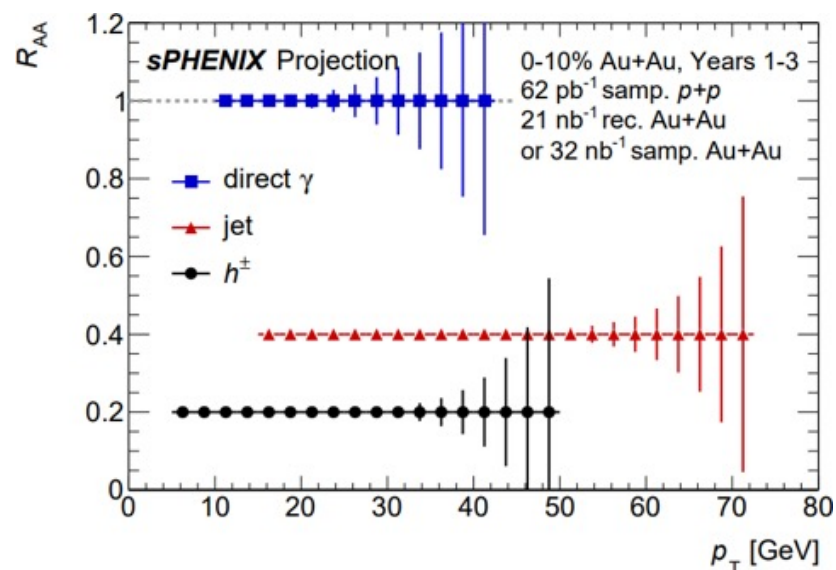
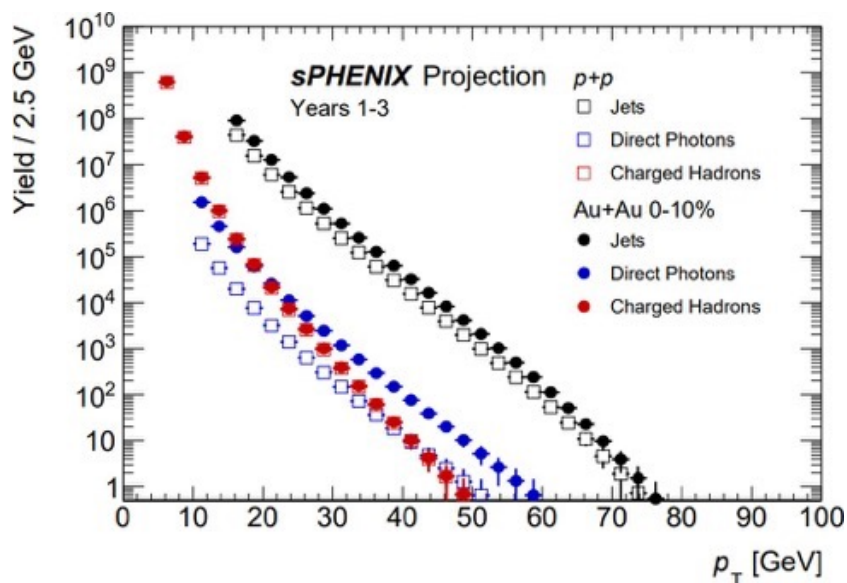


# Backup Slides



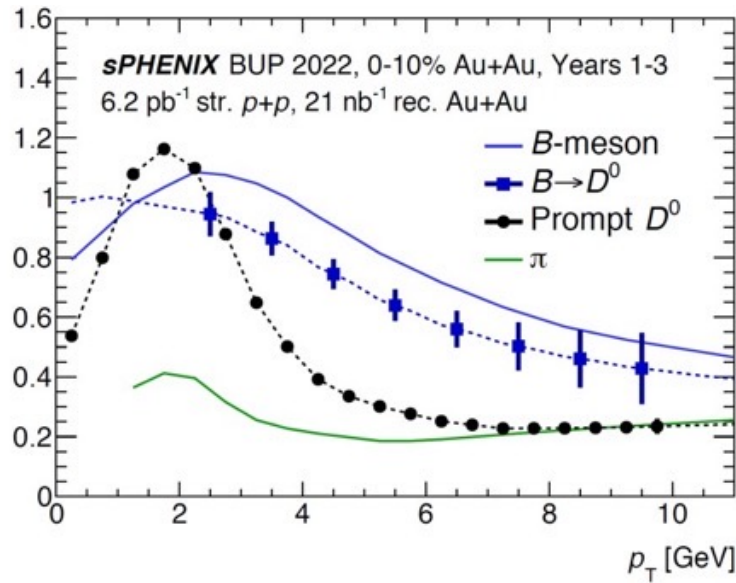
# Jet Physics

Probing the QGP with precise jet, direct photon, and hadron measurements



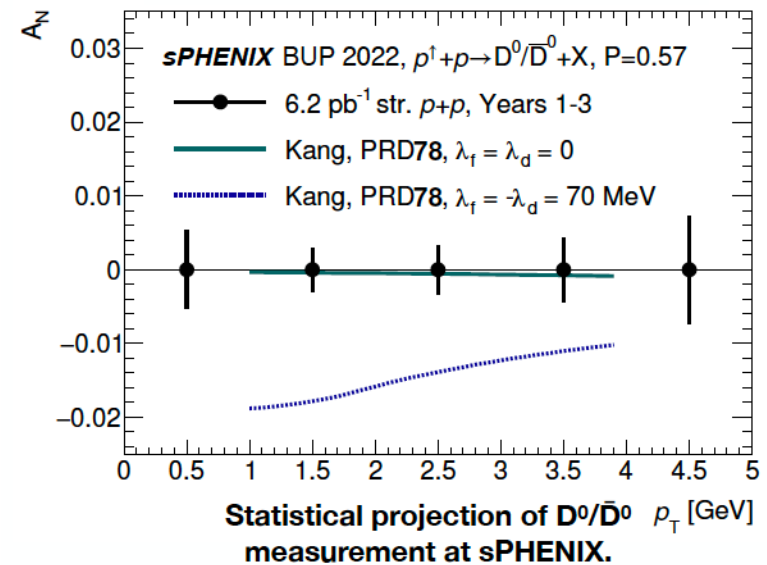
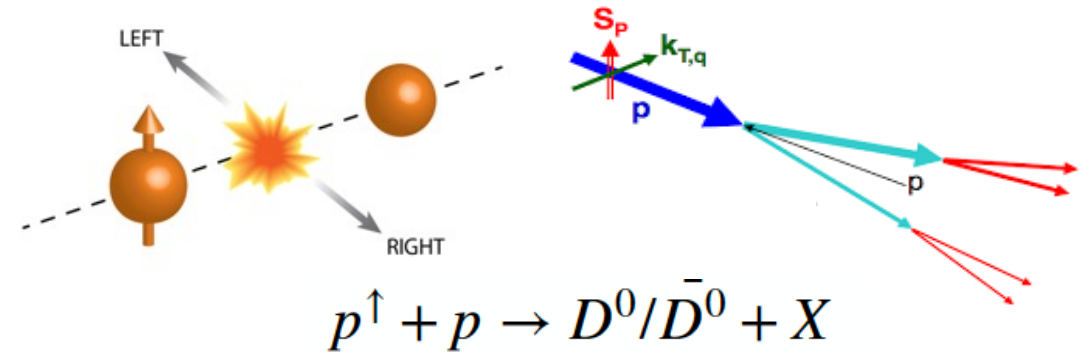
- ✓ High data rates & hermetic EMCal+HCal offer wide  $p_T$  range for jet reconstruction.
- ✓ sPHENIX can precisely measure the low  $p_T$  region, which is challenging at the LHC.
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# Heavy Flavor



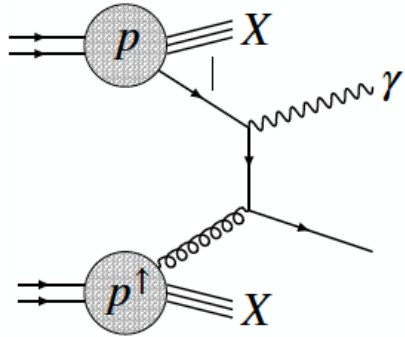
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## Polarized single spin asymmetry



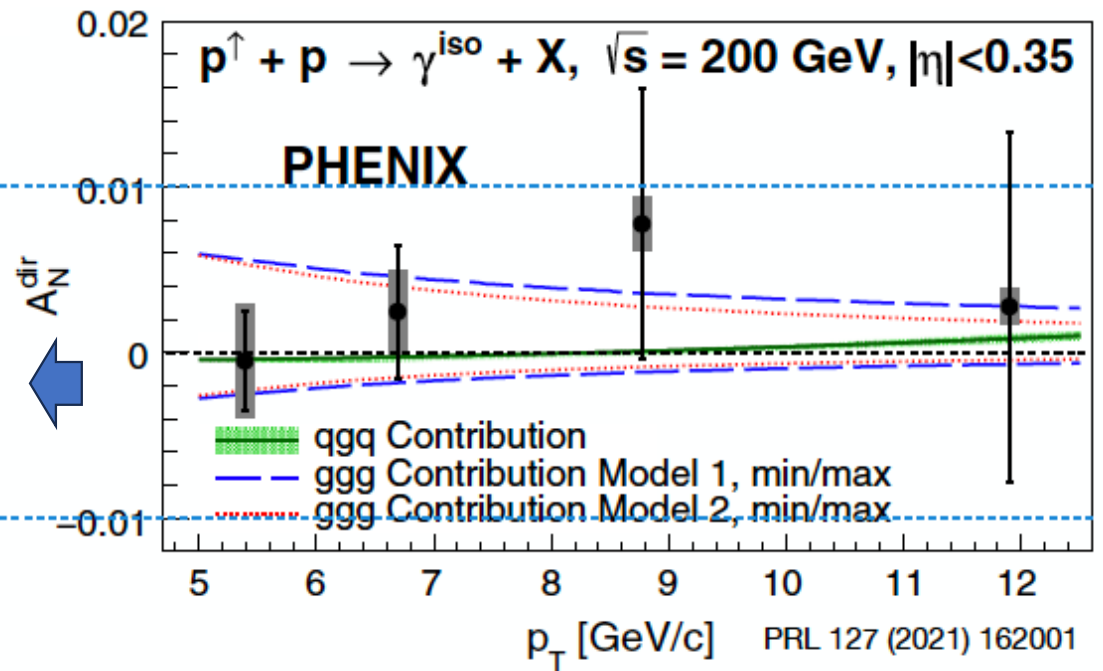
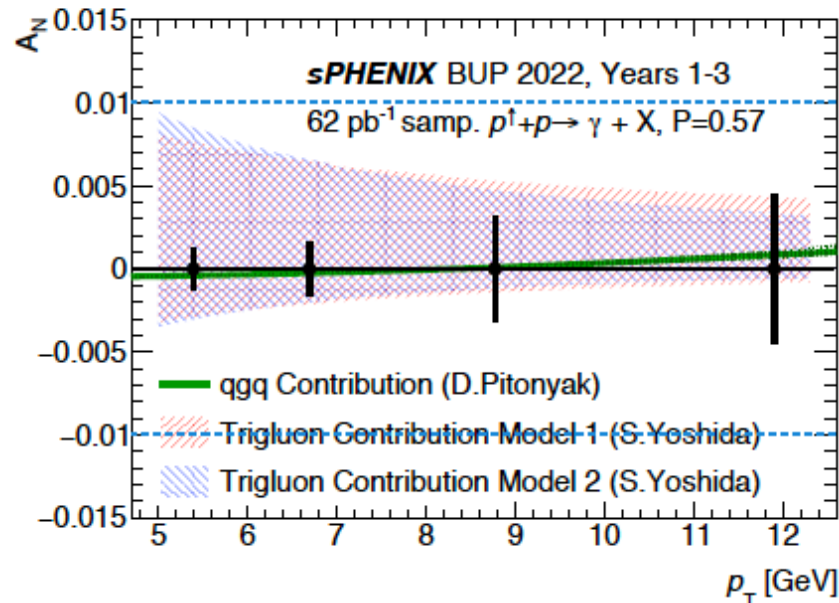
Explores gluon spin contribution to proton spin

# Cold QCD : Gluon TMD with Direct photons



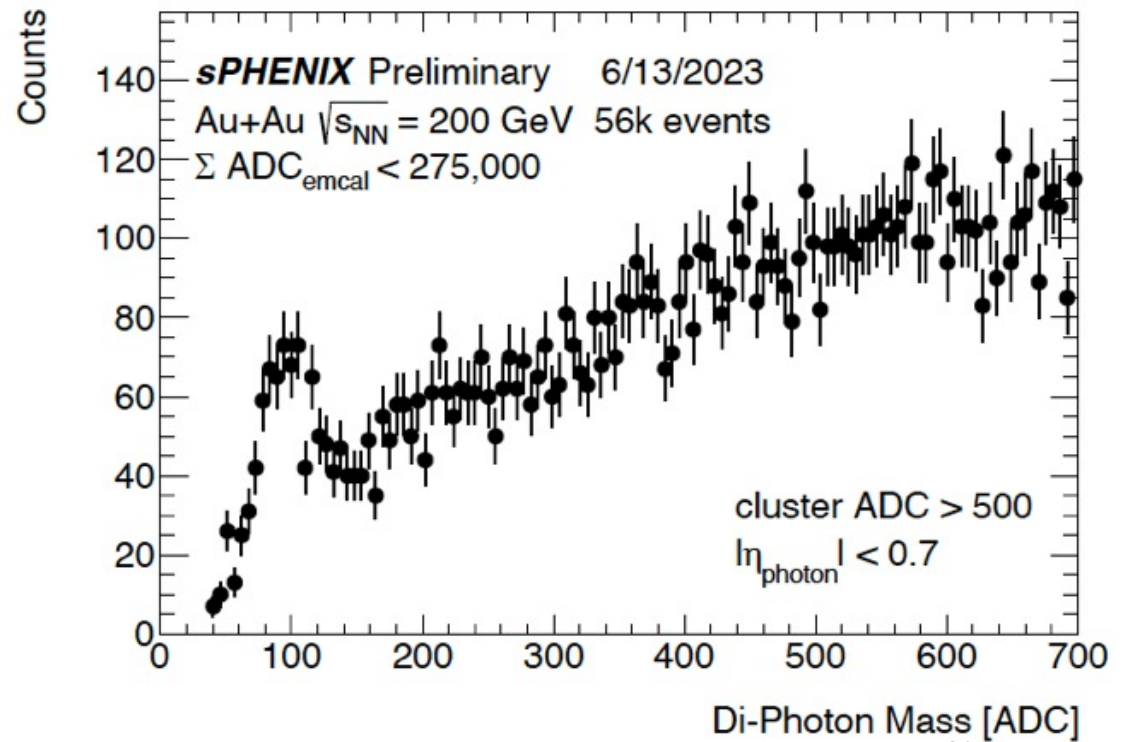
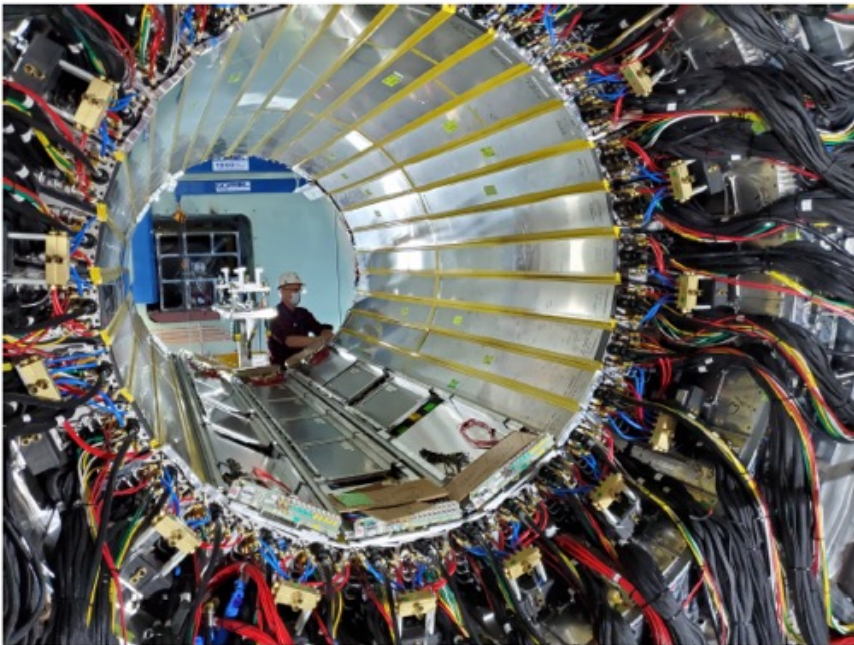
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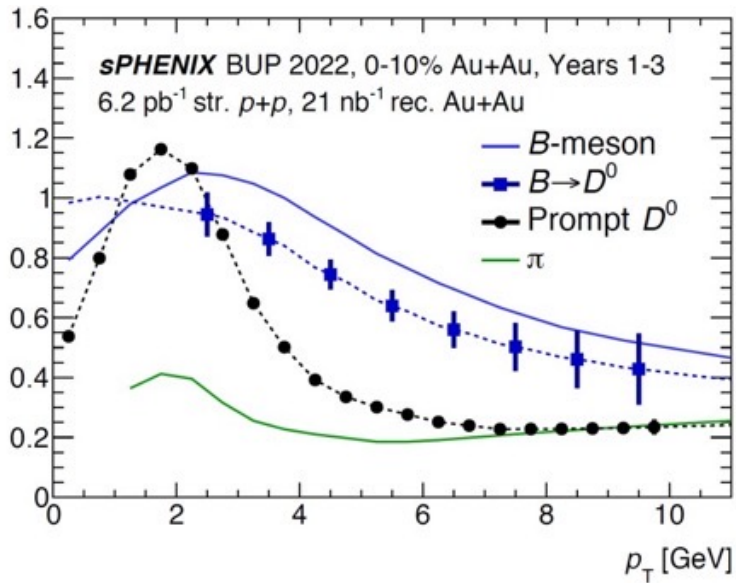
# First Data from Commissioning: EMCal

- Clear  $\pi^0$  peak seen in the di-photon invariant mass spectrum



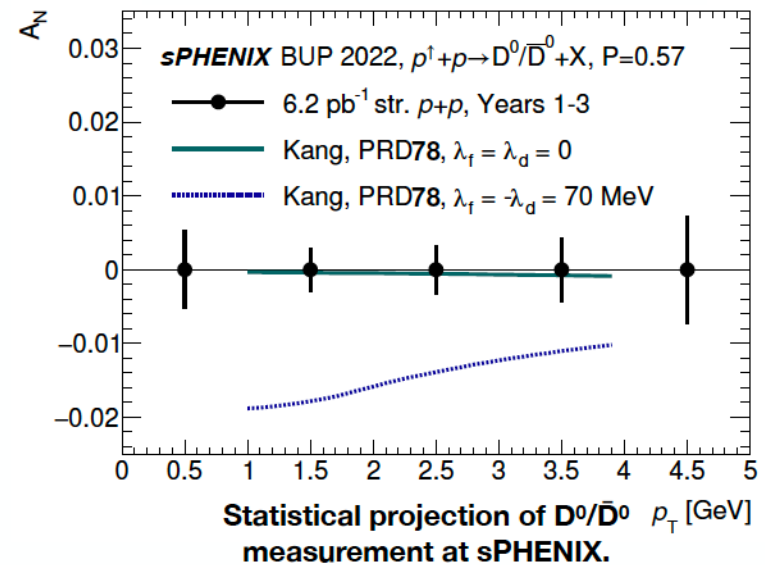
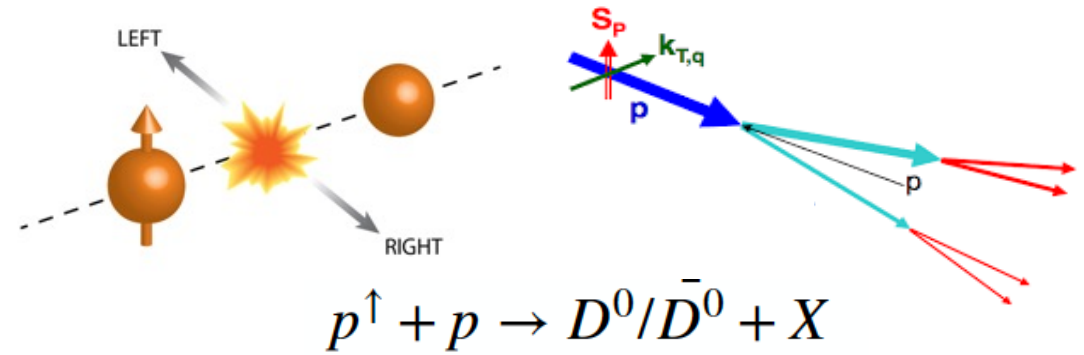


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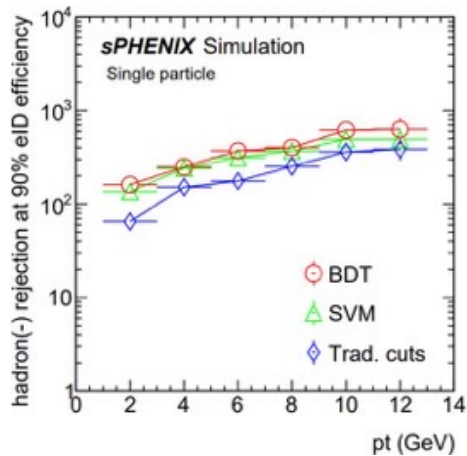
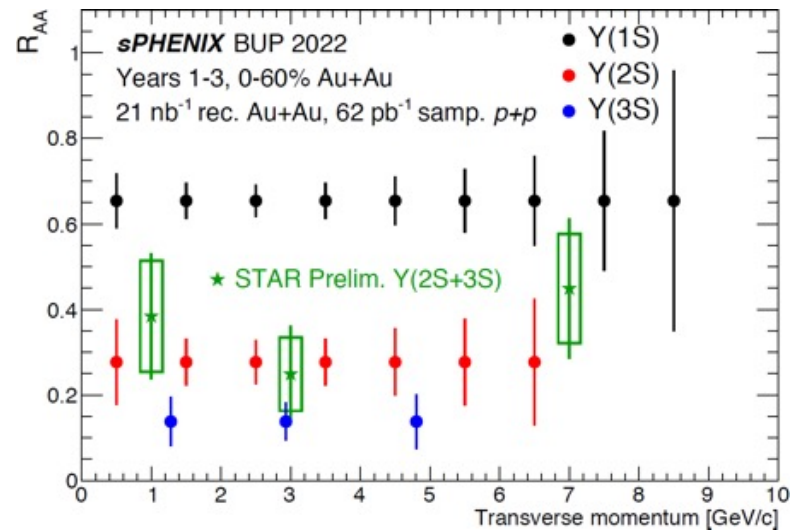
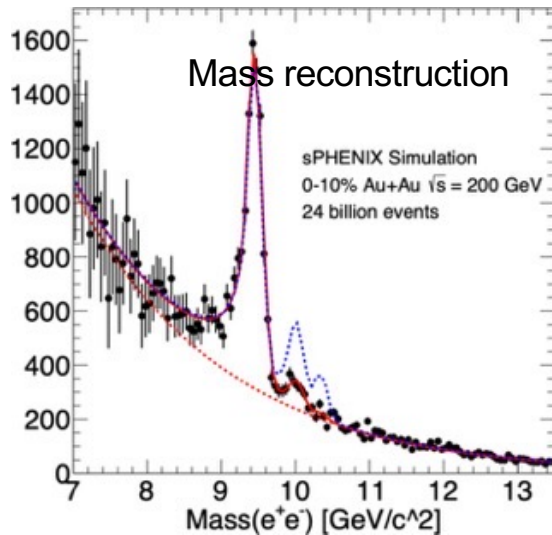
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# Quarkonium spectroscopy



- ✓ Suppression with clear distinction of three Upsilon states. Color dipoles probing the QGP at three length scales.
- ✓ The centrality dependence and particularly the  $p_T$  dependence are critical measurements for comparison between RHIC and the LHC.
- ✓ Signal enhancement with ML tools (BDT) is expected.