

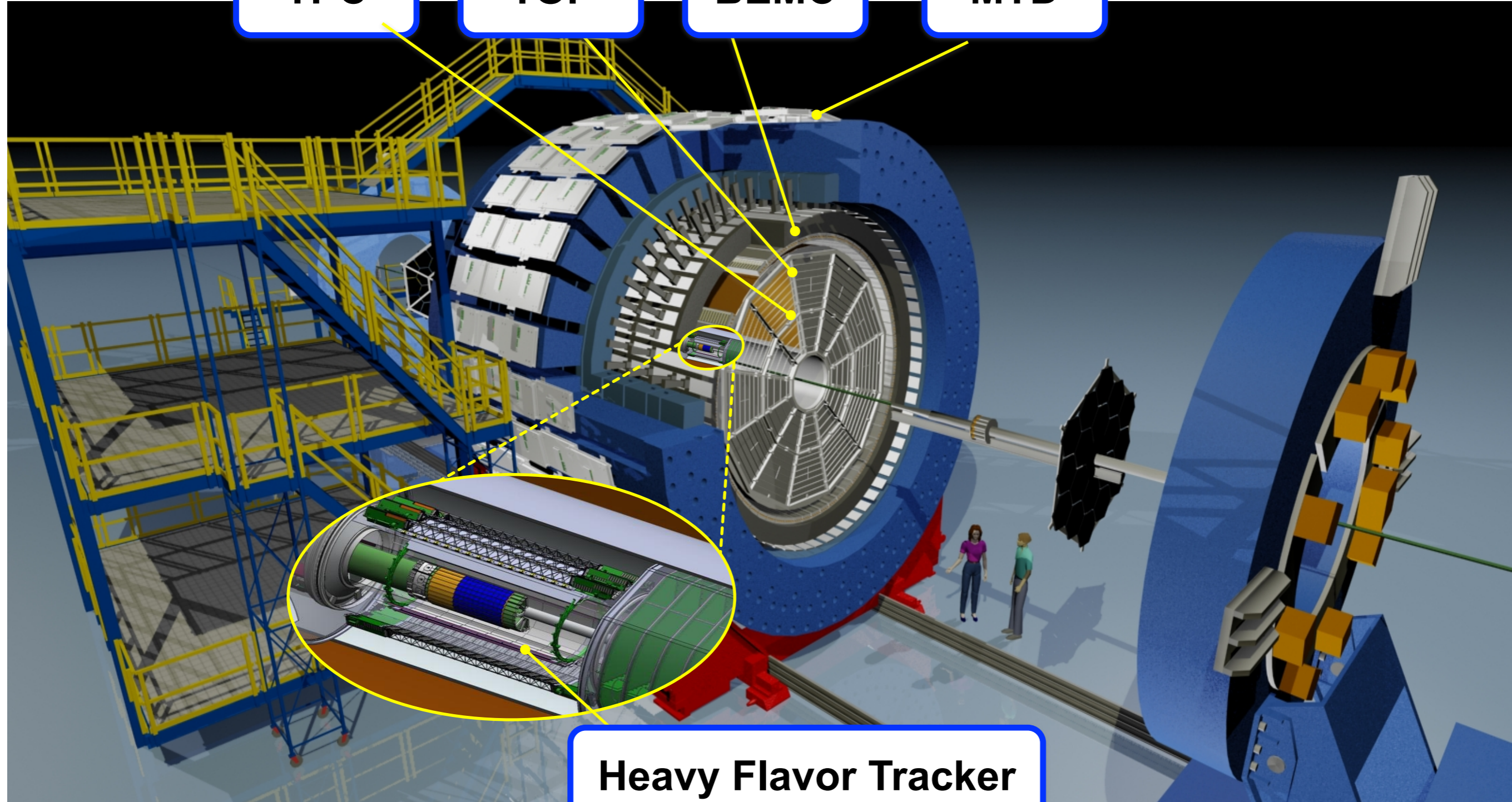
# Future Heavy Flavor Program at STAR

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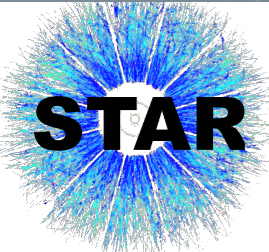
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# STAR Detector at Mid-Rapidity

TPC TOF BEMC MTD



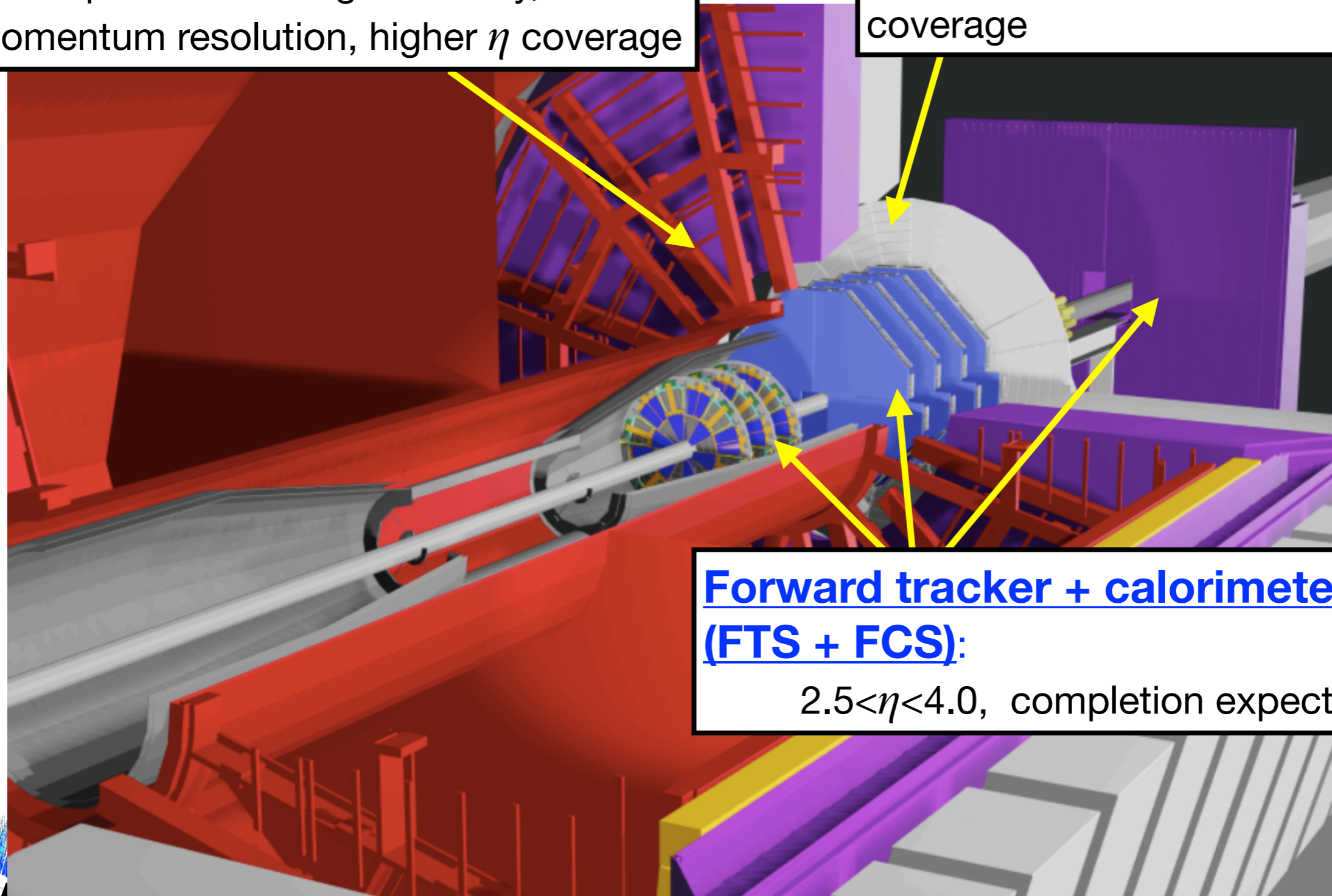
Heavy Flavor Tracker (2014-2016)



# Key Upgrades to STAR

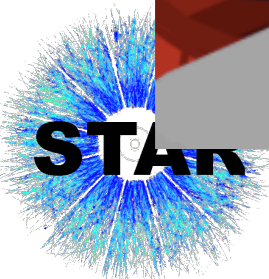
**iTPC:** completed 2018  
improved tracking efficiency,  
momentum resolution, higher  $\eta$  coverage

**EPD:** completed 2017  
improved EP resolution, forward  
coverage



**Forward tracker + calorimeters**  
**(FTS + FCS):**

$2.5 < \eta < 4.0$ , completion expected in 2021



# Physics Plan

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## High statistics + mid/forward rapidity coverage + low material

2018: iTPC and EPD upgrades completed

2021: Completion of forward upgrade

2021/2022: p+p 500 GeV - mid/forward quarkonium production

- *quarkonium production mechanism*

2023+: Au+Au 200 GeV, p+p/A 200 GeV

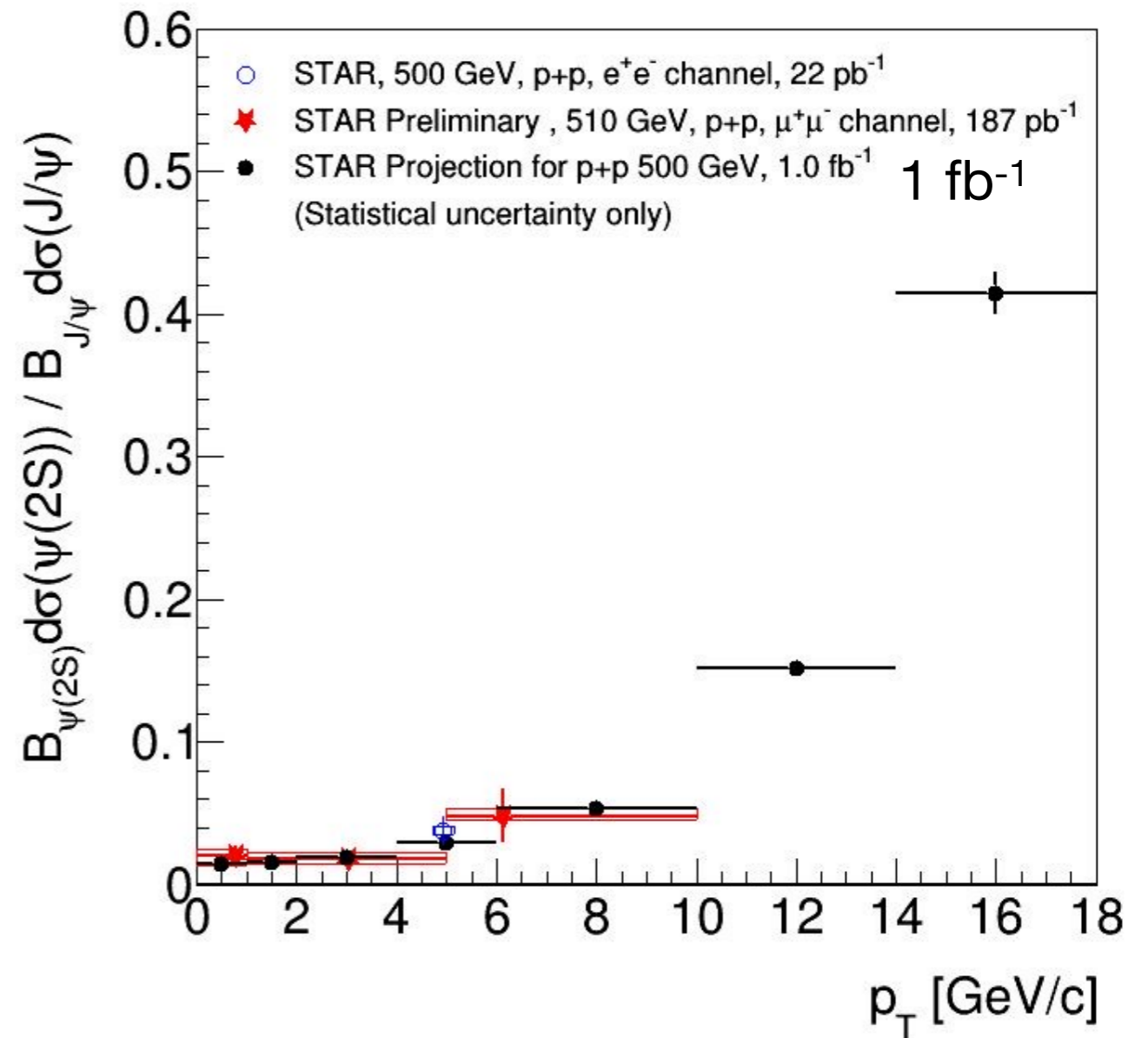
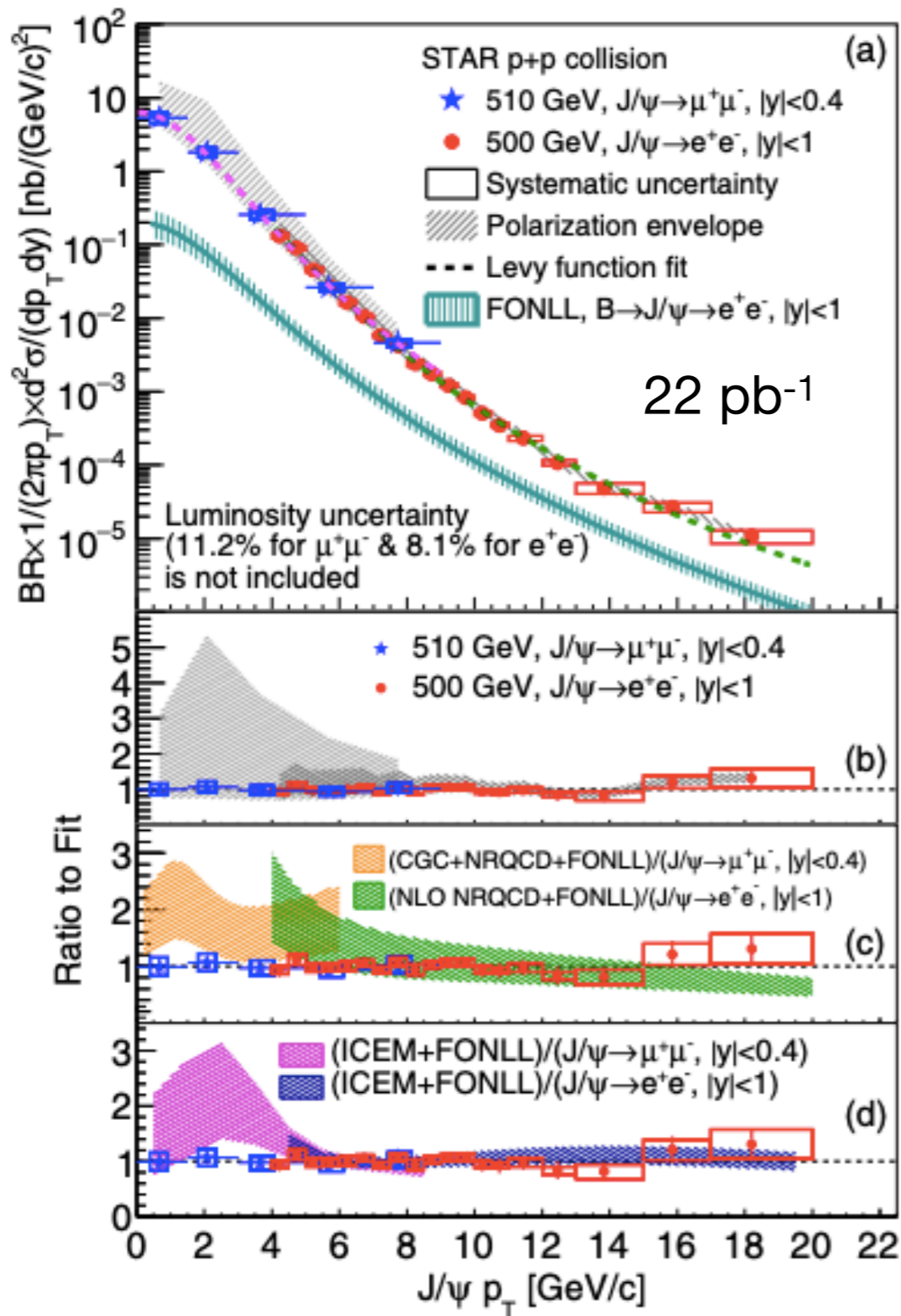
- *cold/hot QCD medium properties*

## Future Heavy Flavor Physics Goals

- Precision quarkonia p+p data for deep understanding of production mechanism
- Wide kinematic region coverage in p+p/A collisions for gluon nPDF
- High statistics Au+Au data for hot QGP properties ( $J/\psi v_2$  and  $\Upsilon R_{AA}$ )



# Inclusive Charmonia Production in p+p



High statistics p+p 500 GeV run  
- further  $p_T$  extension in  $J/\psi$  and  $\psi(2S)$   
measurements

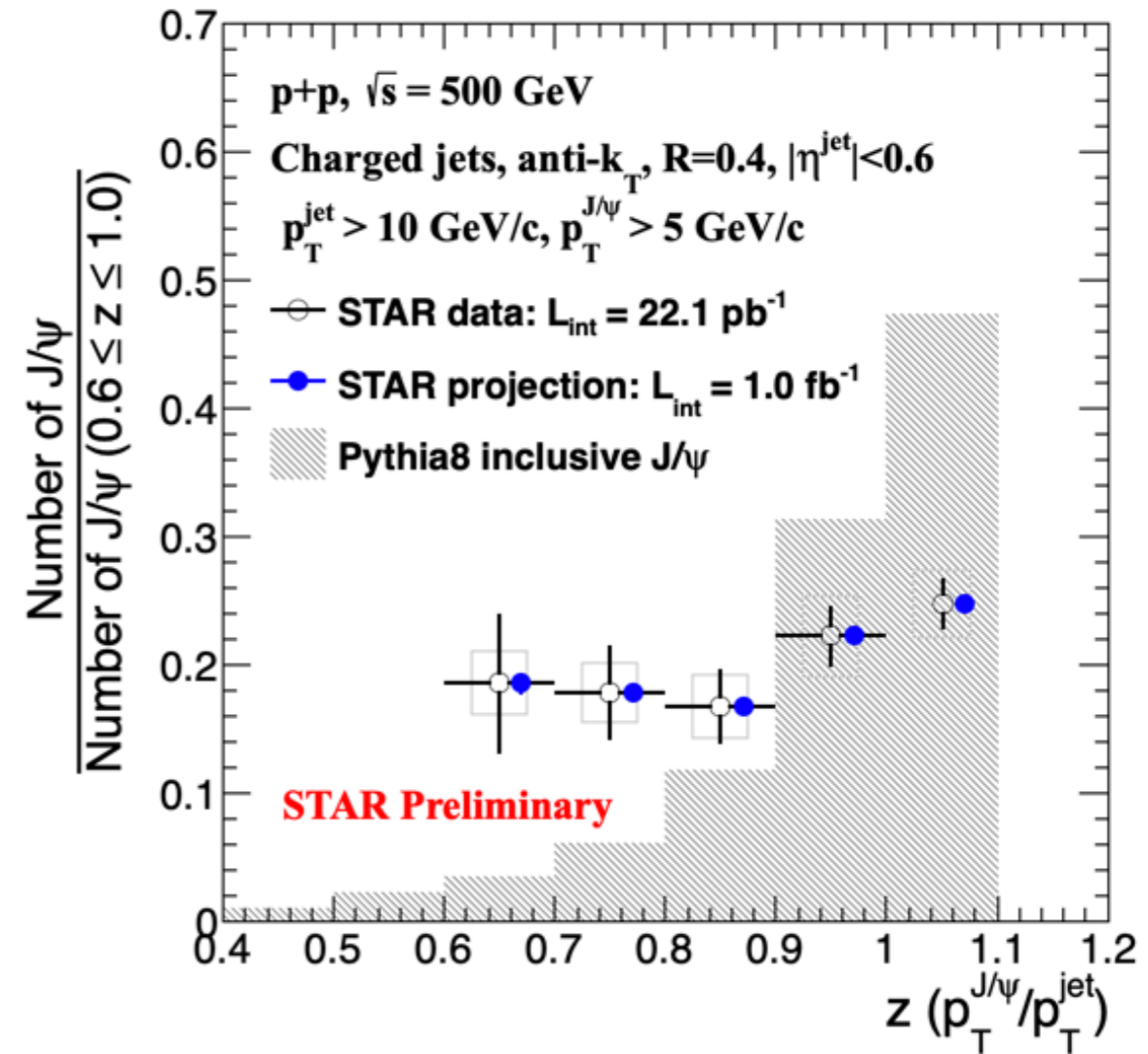
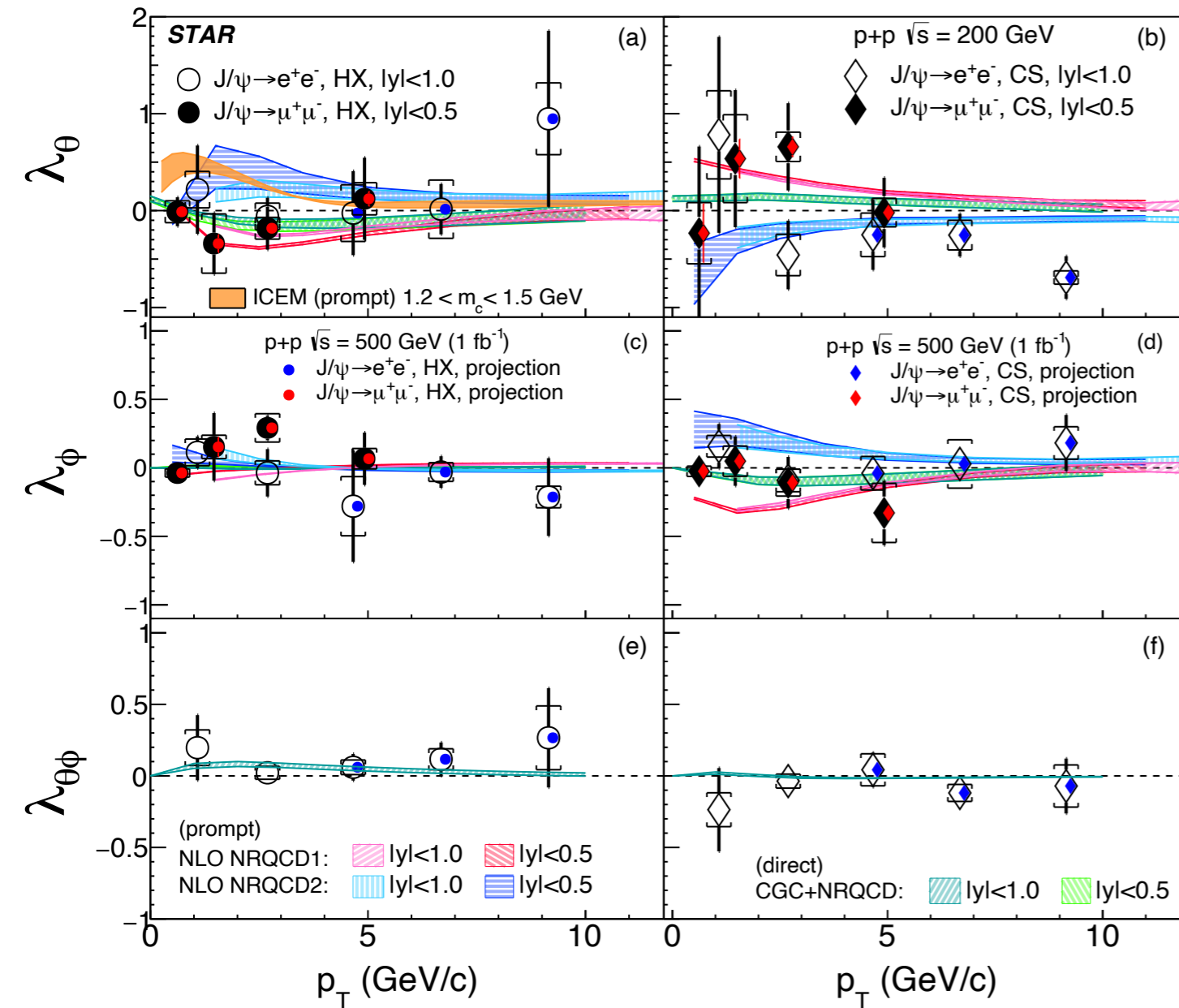


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# $J/\psi$ Polarization / in-jet Production

$J/\psi$  polarization

$J/\psi$  in-jet

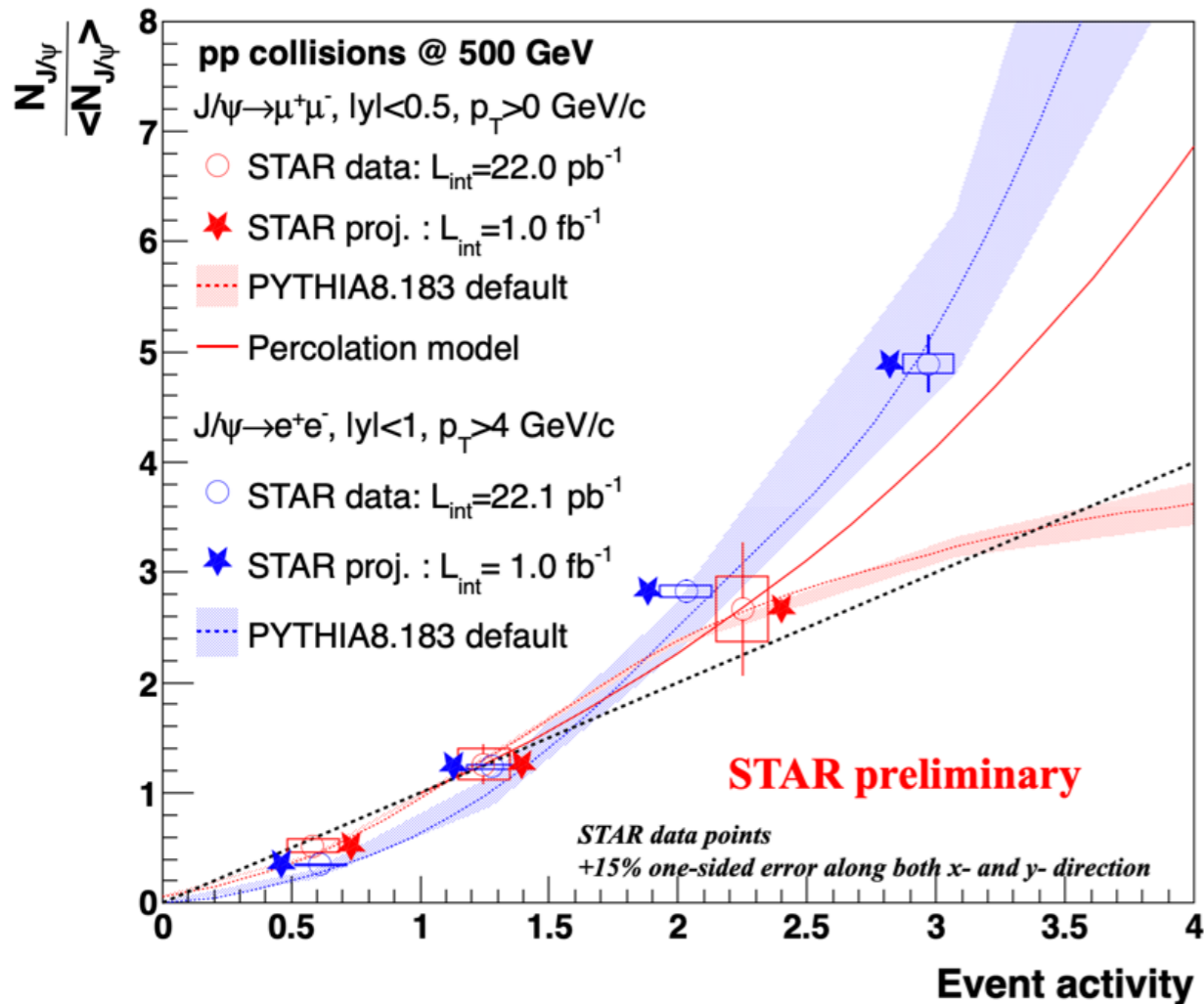


- Significantly improved precision in  $J/\psi$  polarization measurement
- $J/\psi$ -in-jet extended to lower  $z$  range & lower jet  $p_T$  range  
 -MTD allows  $J/\psi$   $p_T$  reach down to 0

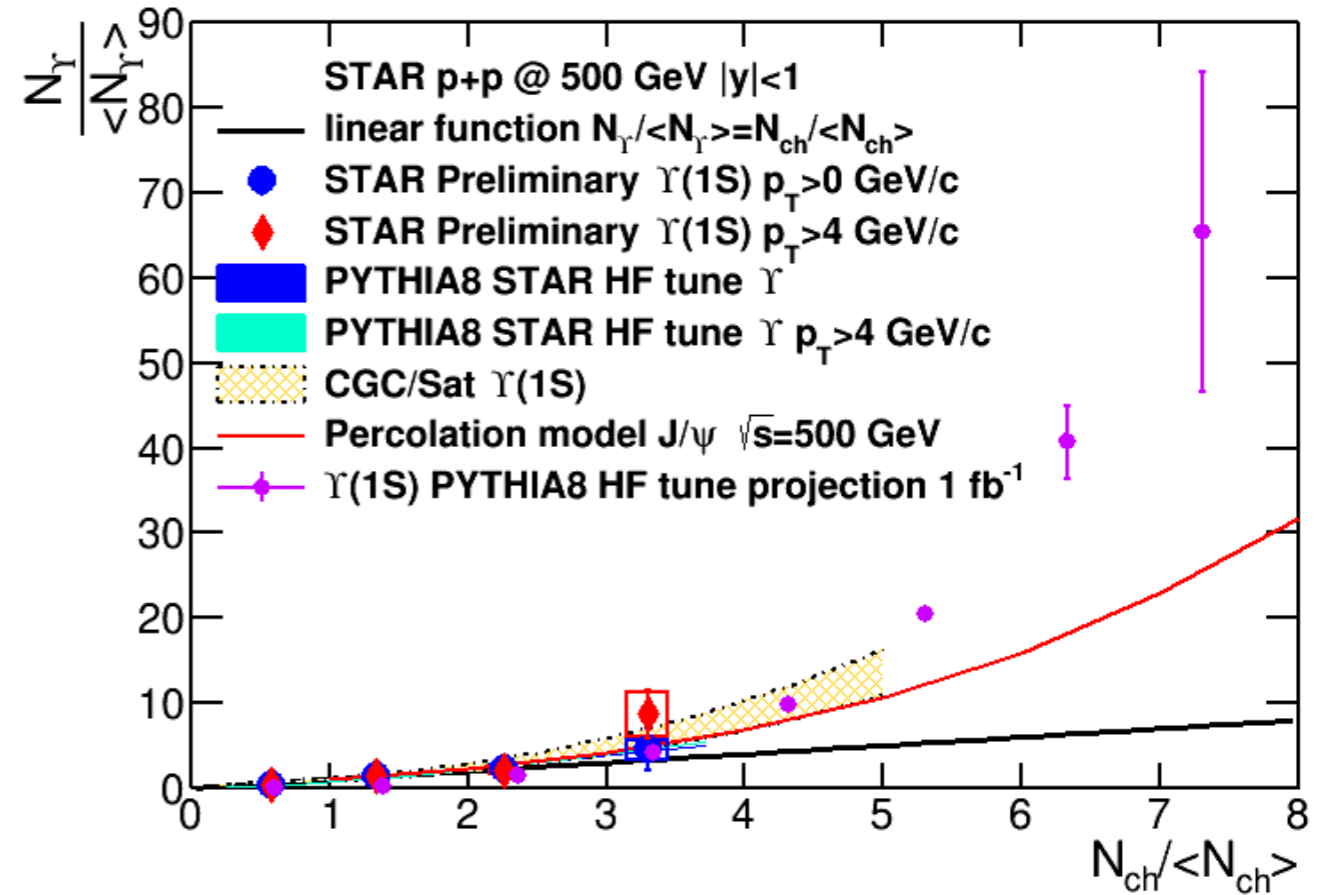


# $J/\psi$ , $\Upsilon$ in High Multiplicity p+p Collisions

## $J/\psi$



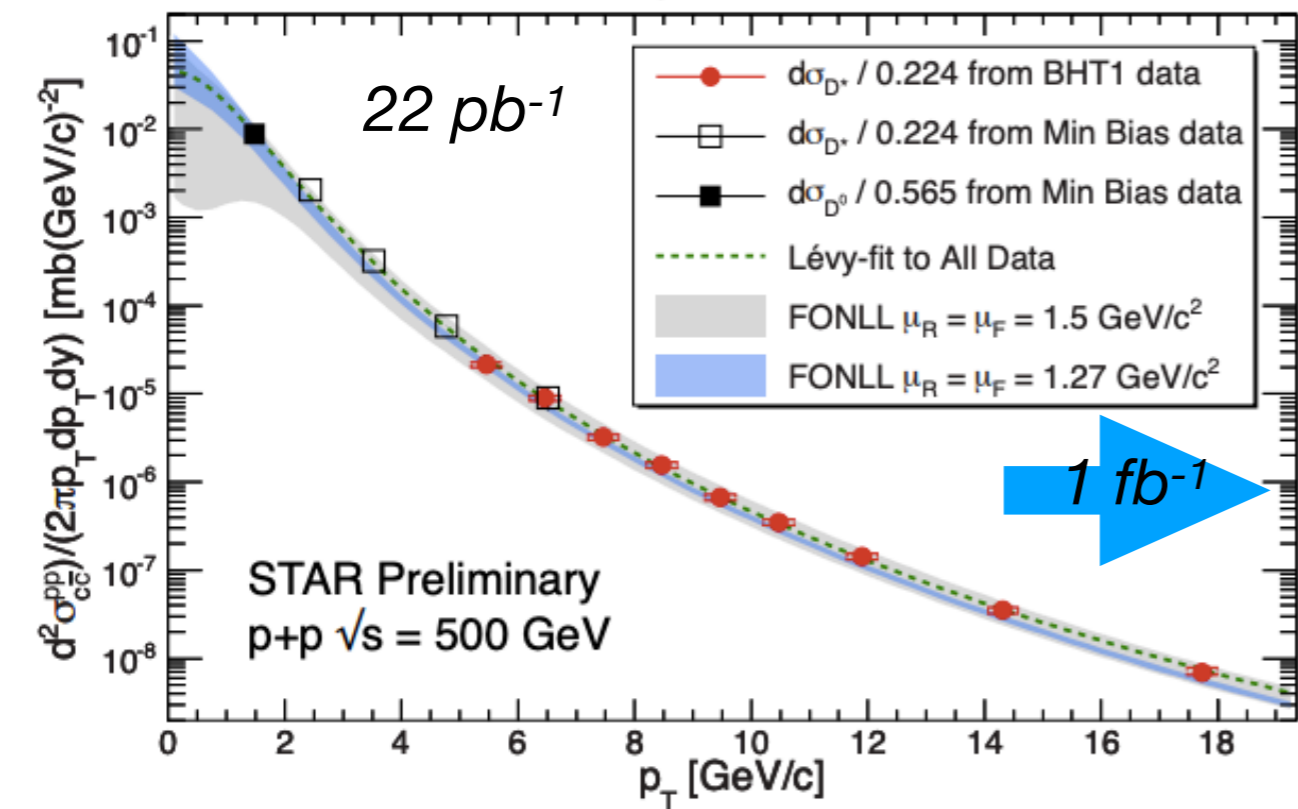
## $\Upsilon$



- Discrimination power for different models at high multiplicity events



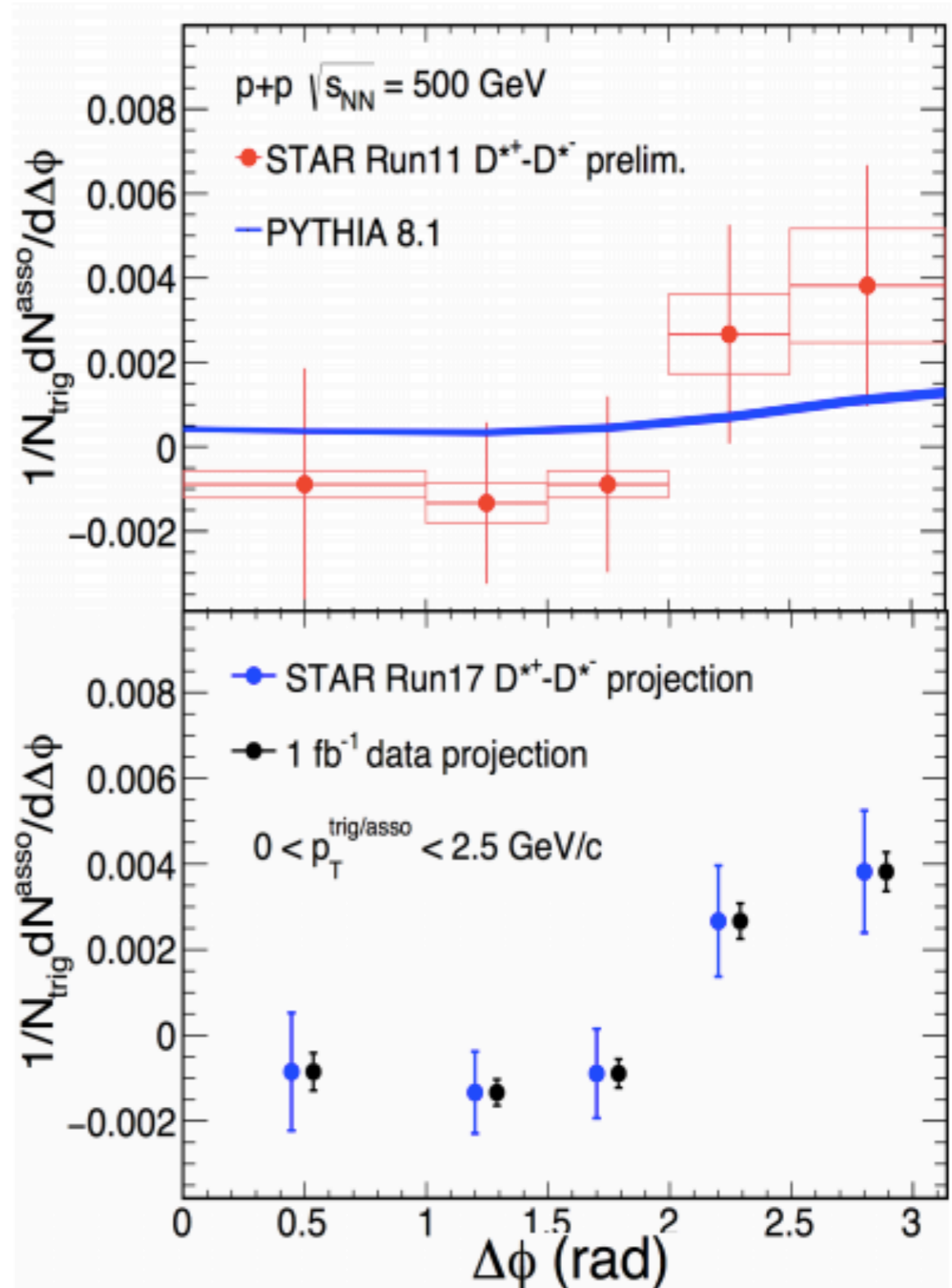
# Open Charm in p+p Collisions



## High statistics p+p 500 GeV

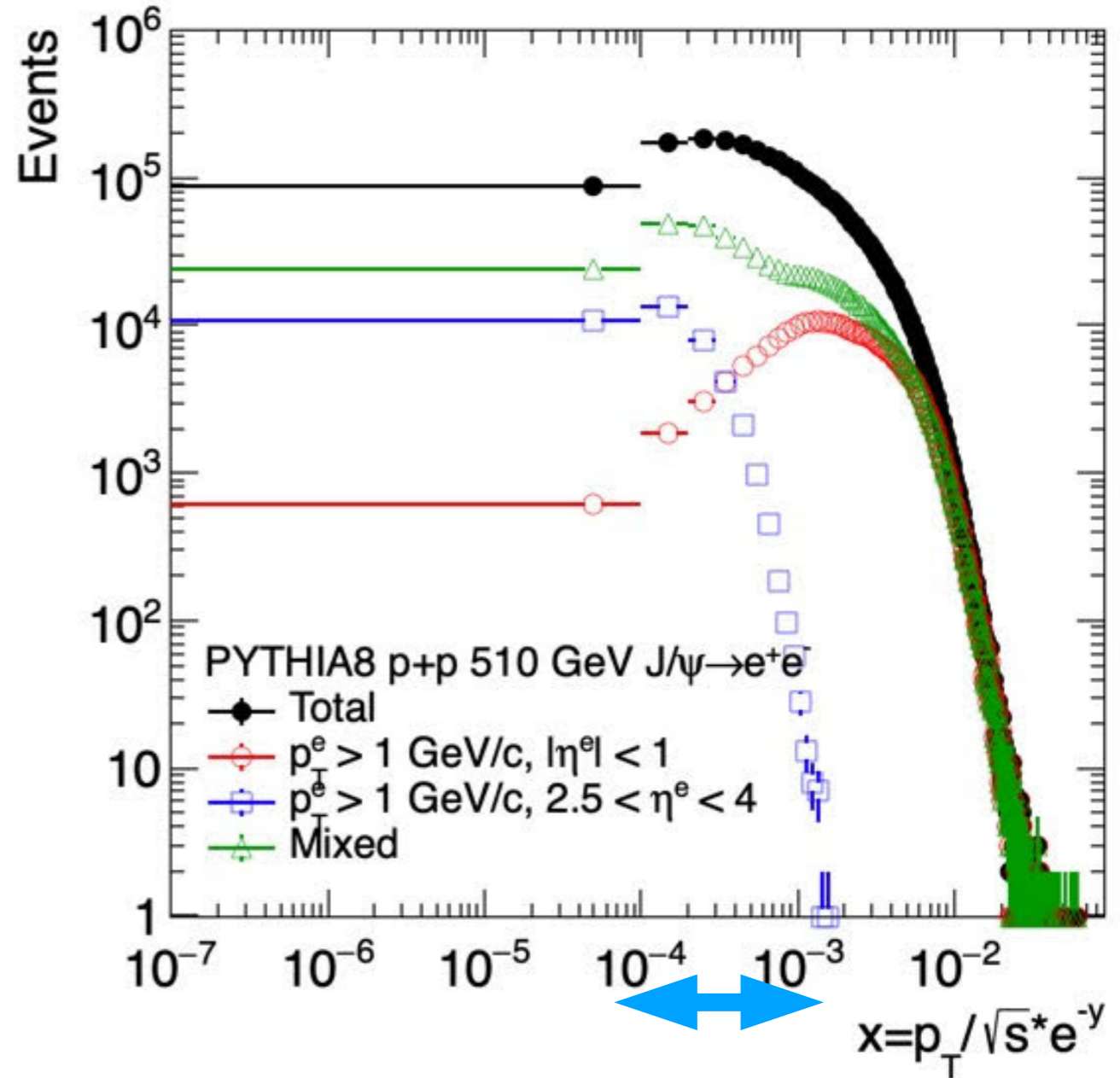
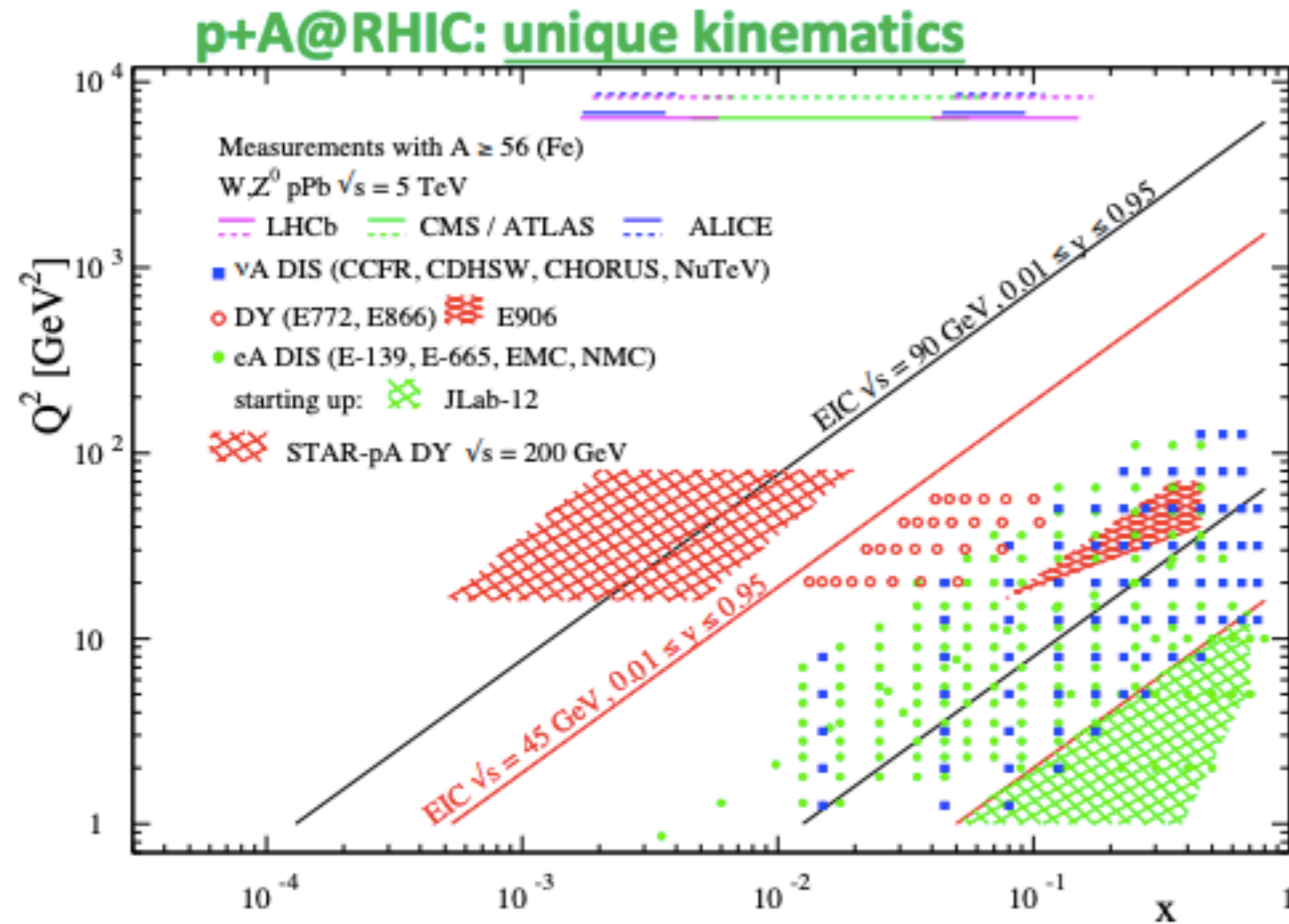
- precision spectrum to further high  $p_T$
- improved  $D^*$ -jet measurement
- enable  $D^{*+} - \overline{D}^{*-}$  measurement

$$D^{*+} - \overline{D}^{*-}$$





# p+p/A Quarkonia Production in Forward Region

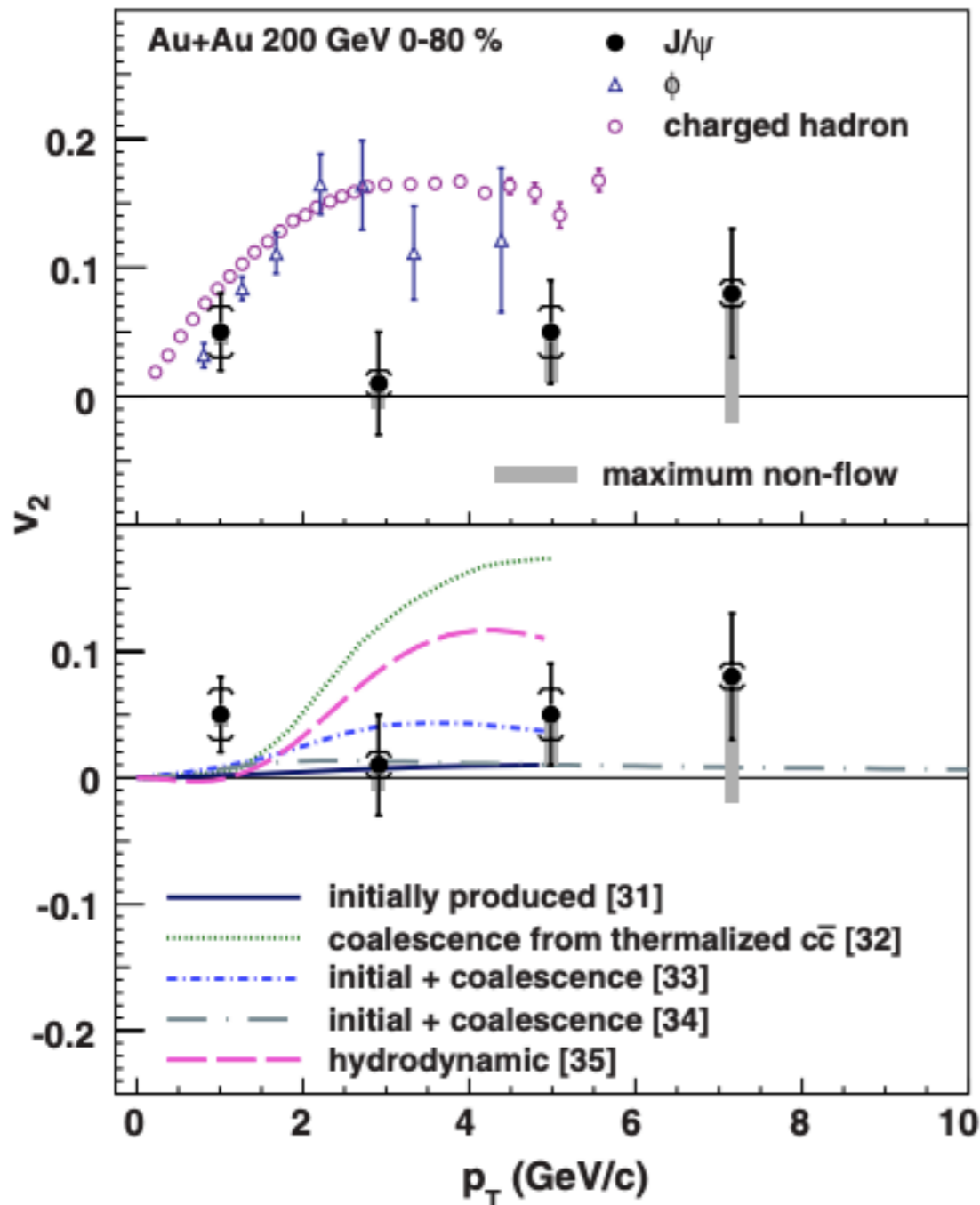


Forward quarkonia (and DY) production at STAR  
 - unique kinematic access to gluons at small-x region

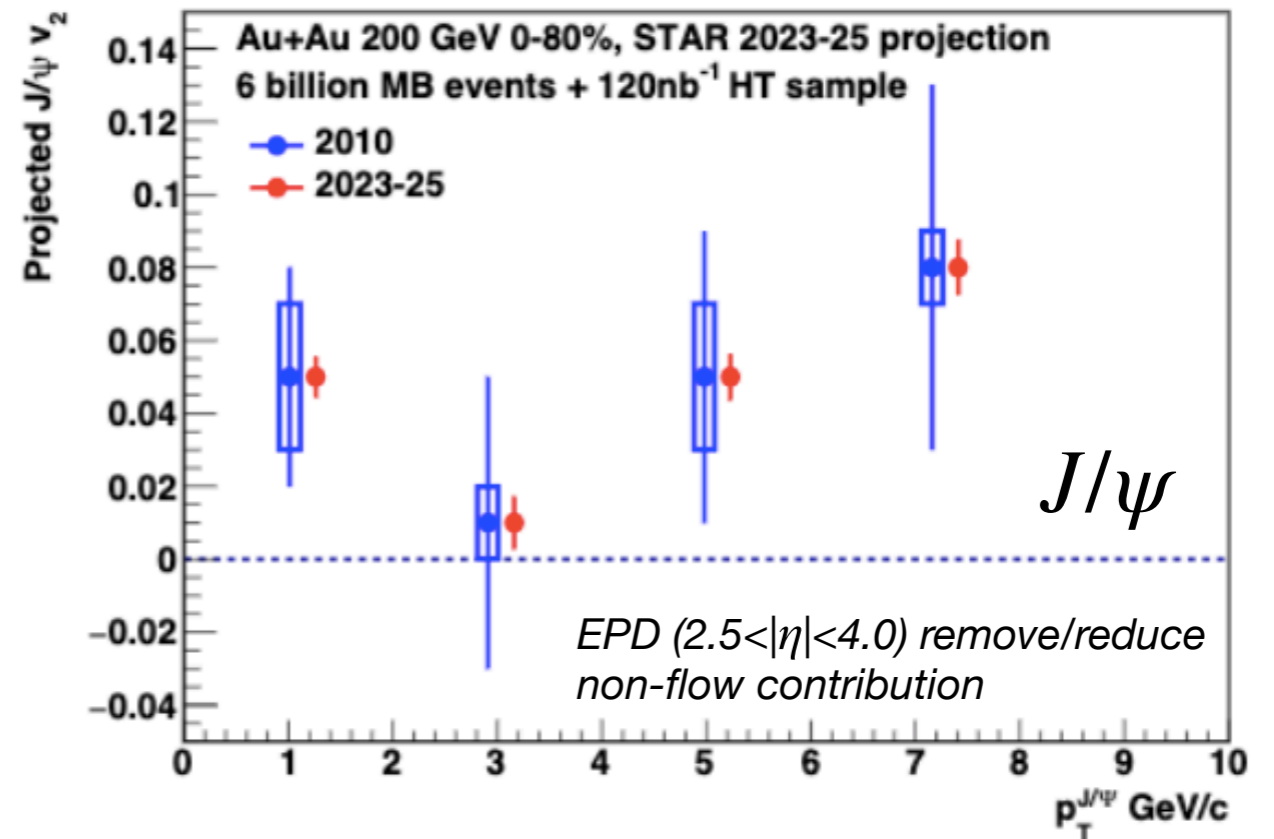


# $J/\psi$ $v_2$ in Au+Au 200 GeV

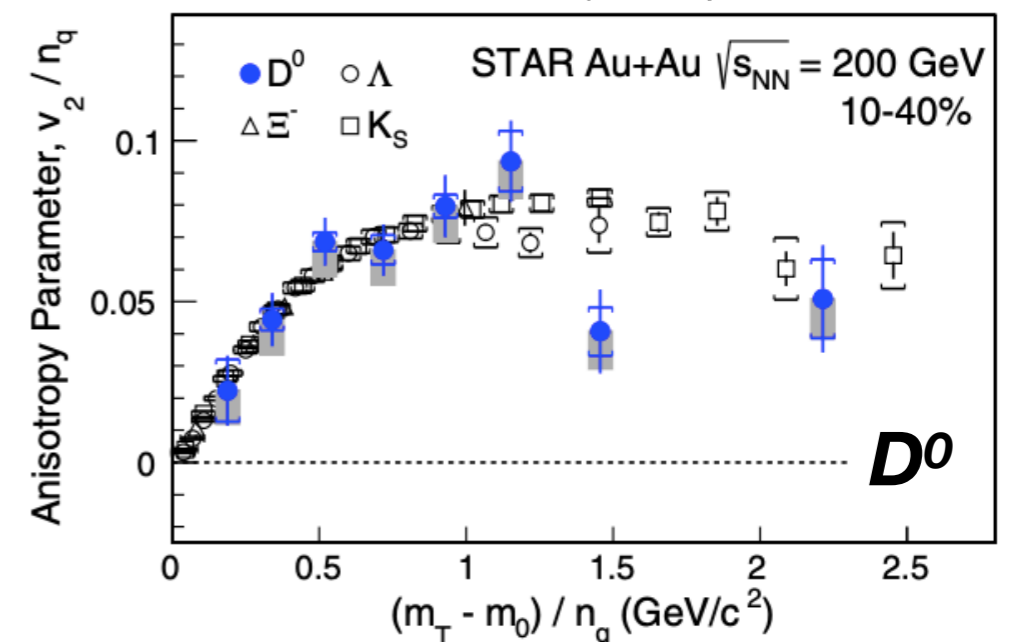
Previous pub.: 360M MB + 1 nb<sup>-1</sup>



Projection w/ 6B MB + 120 nb<sup>-1</sup>



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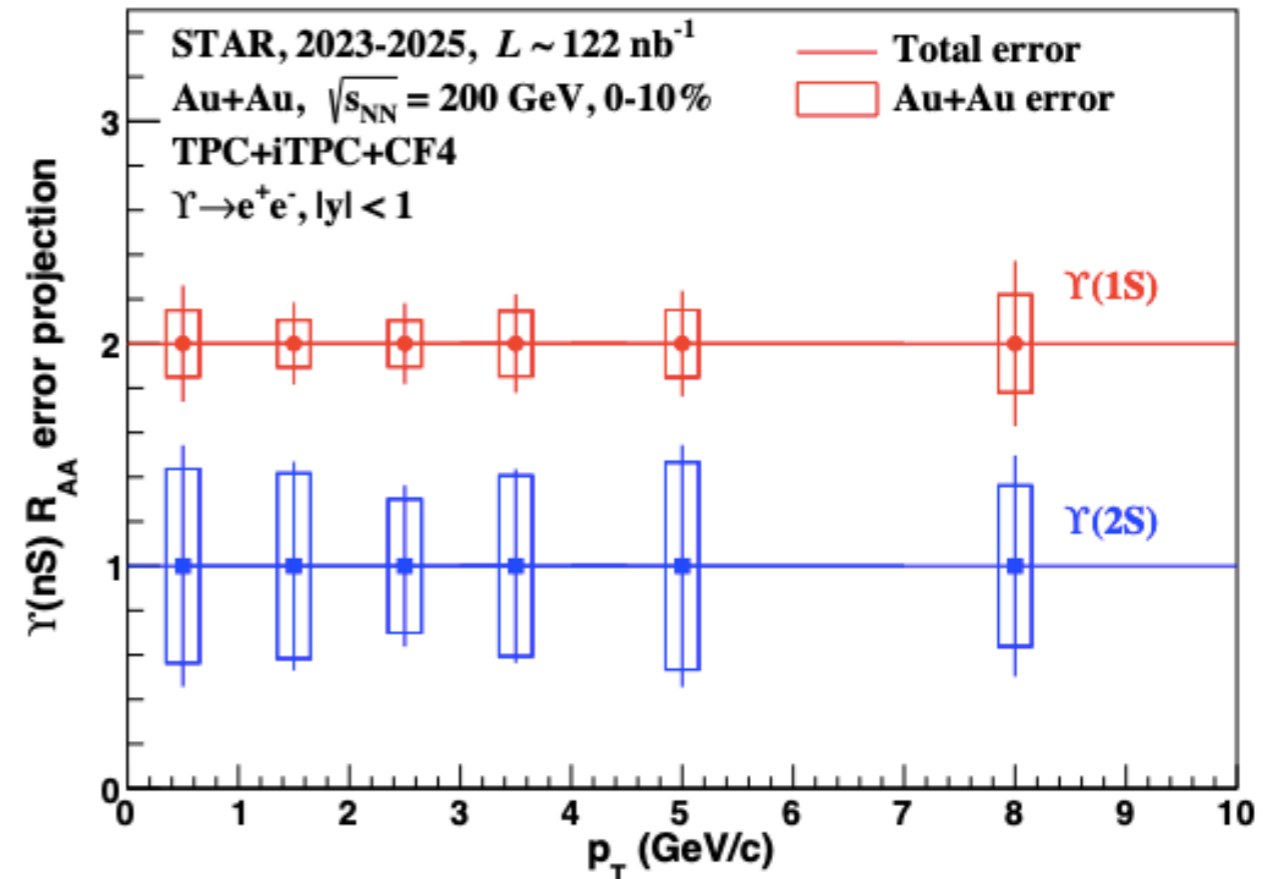
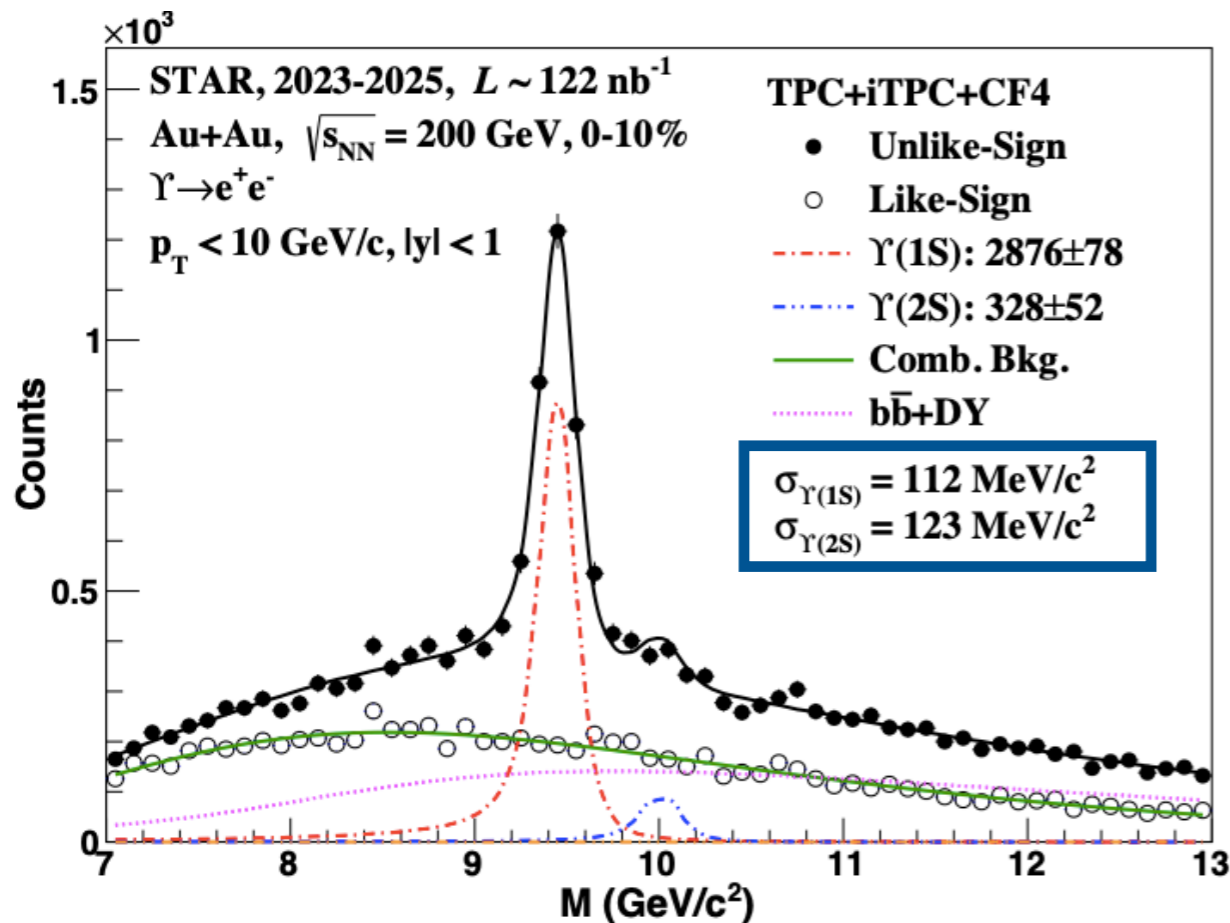


# Upsilon $R_{AA}$ in Au+Au 200 GeV

iTPC + TPC (w/ CF4)

- momentum resolution improve by  $\sim x2$

Au+Au 200 GeV 0-10%

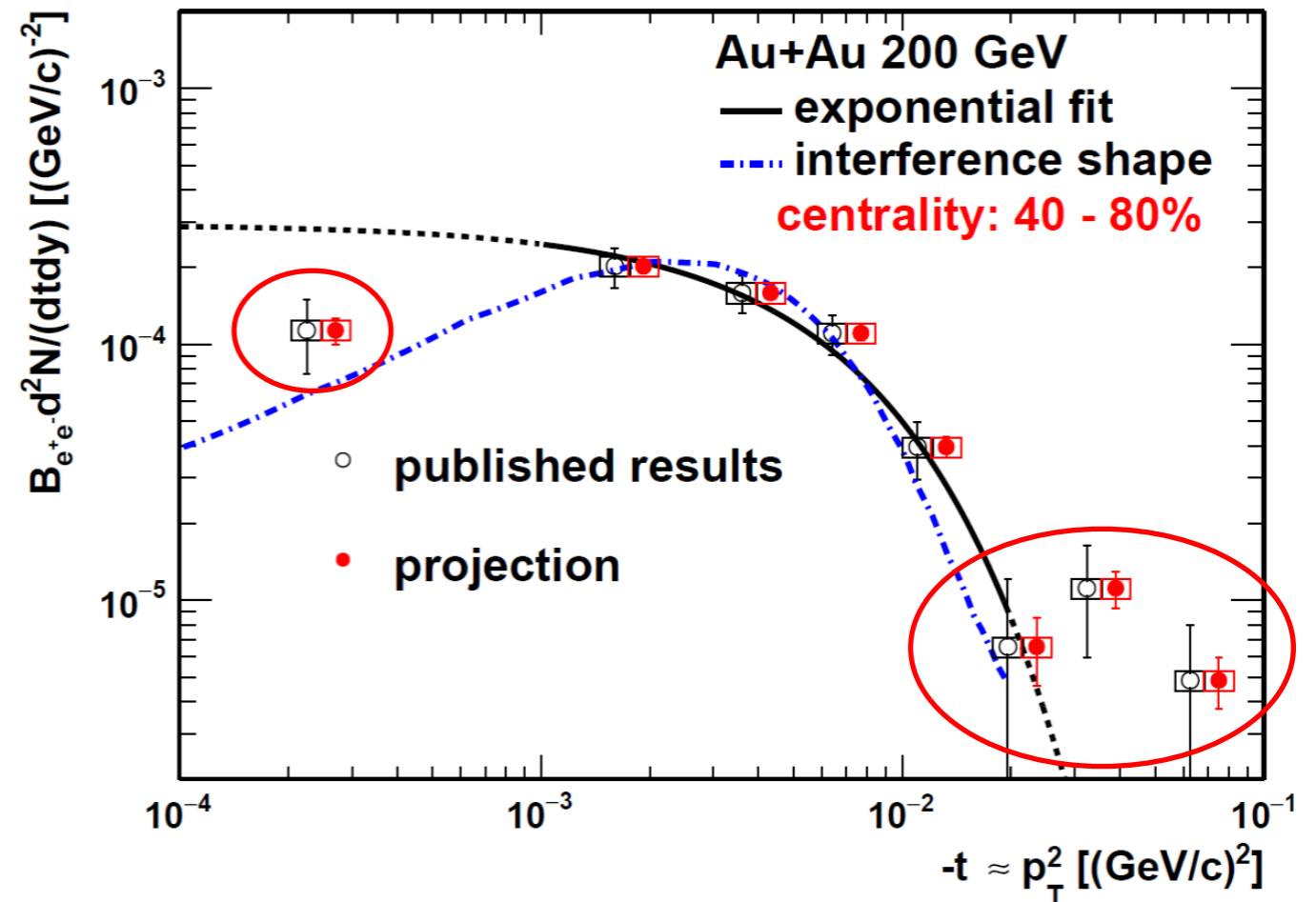
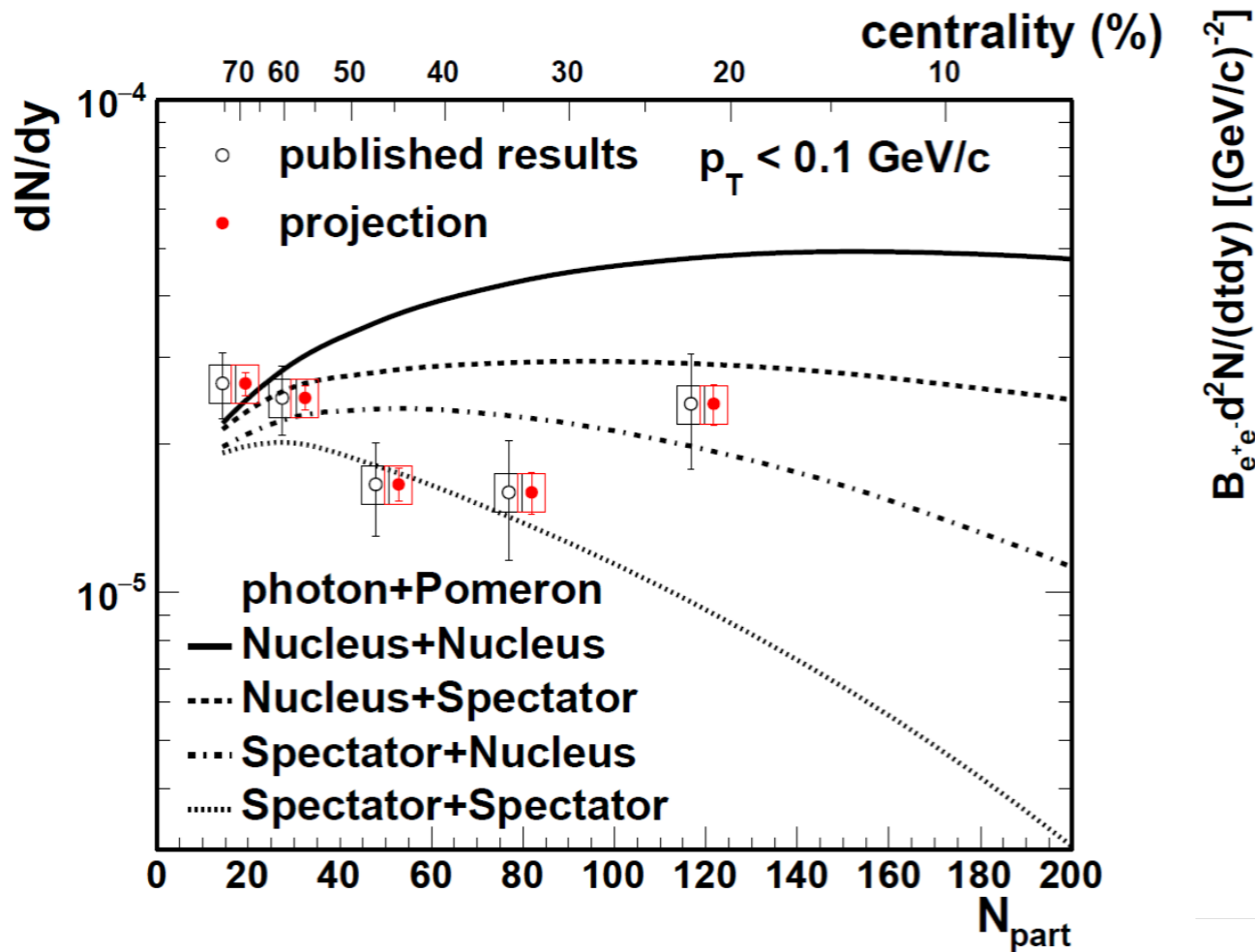


High statistics + improved momentum resolution + low material budget

- centrality /  $p_T$  dependence of  $\Upsilon(1S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(2S) R_{AA}$



# Photoproduction of $J/\psi$ in Peripheral Au+Au Collisions



- Model: W. Zha et al, PRC 97 (2018) 044910

- Centrality dependence: powerful to distinguish different scenarios
- $t$ -dependence:
  - significant to identify interference and incoherent contributions



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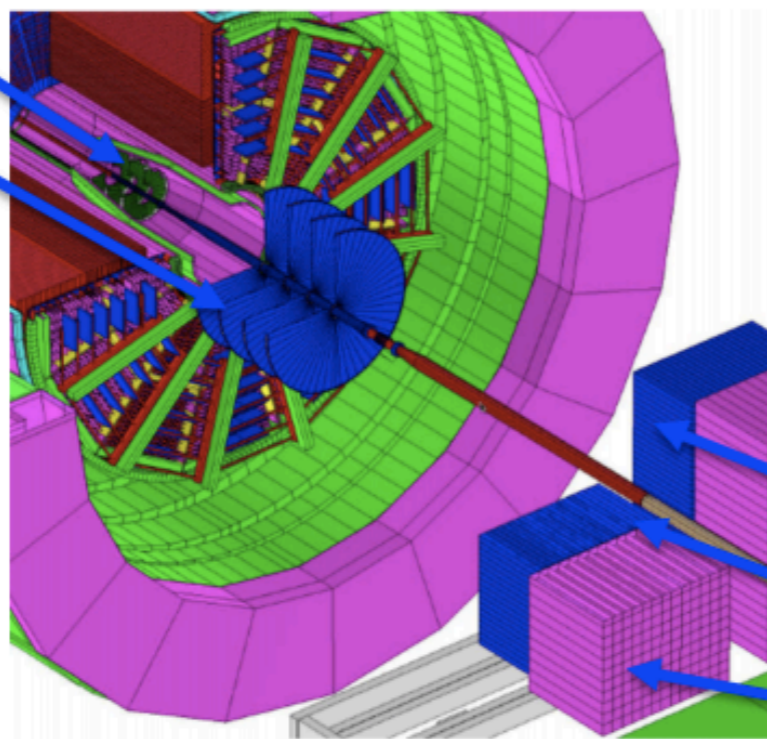
# Forward Upgrade

D. Brandenburg, JHEP, 1105, 07

- ❑ Detectors from BES-II upgrade (iTPC and EPD) will keep going
- ❑ The forward ( $2.5 < \eta < 4$ ) upgrade includes **Trackers** (silicon microstrip tracker & small-strip Thin Gap Chamber) and **Calorimeters (ECAL & HCAL)** dedicated to study nuclear structure, QGP.

## Forward Tracker

- ❑ 3 silicon disks
- ❑ 4 sTGC layers



Preparing for data-taking from 2021+

| Detector | pp and pA                               | AA   |
|----------|---|--|
| ECAL     | ~10%/√E                                 | ~20%/√E  |
| HCAL     | ~60%/√E                                 | ---  |
| Tracking | Charge separation<br>Photon suppression | $0.2 < p_T < 2 \text{ GeV}/c$<br>with 20 – 30% $1/p_T$ |

## Forward Calorimeters

- ❑ Pre/post-shower: scintillator
- ❑ ECAL: PbSc towers ( $18 X_0$ )
- ❑ HCAL: FeSc plates ( $4.5 \lambda$ )

