

Single muon analysis for d+Au collision at RHIC

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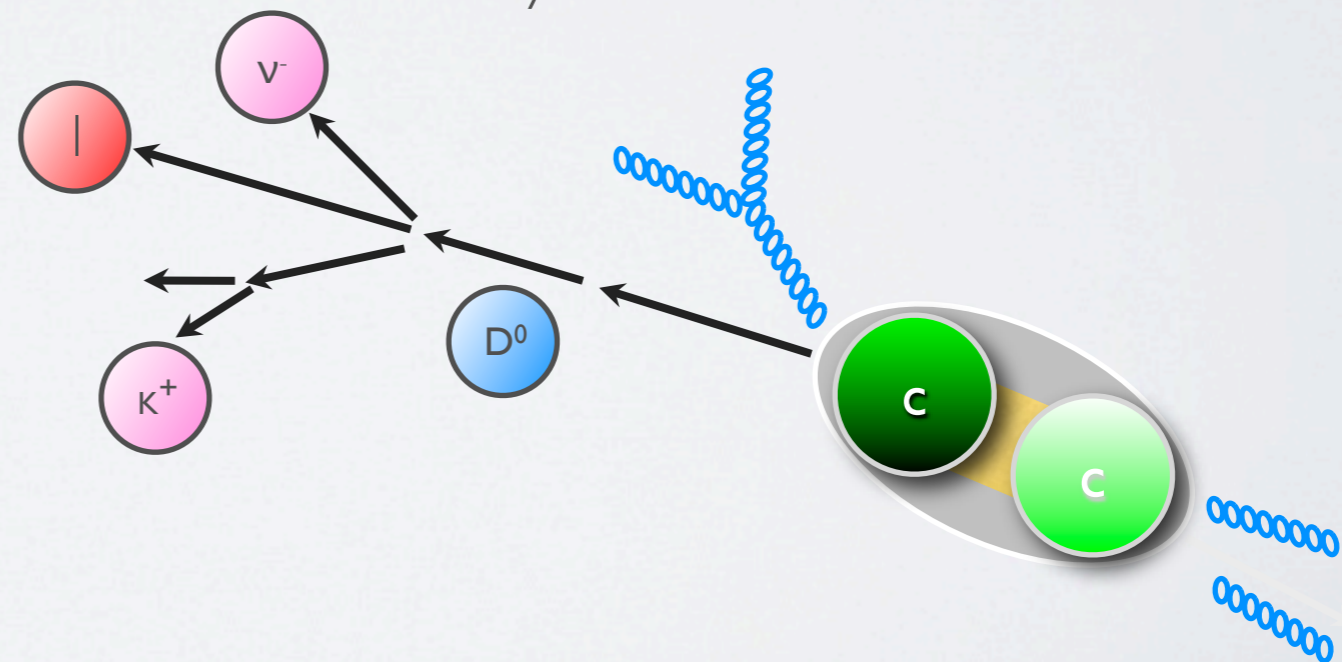


This is very introductory talk!

- **Single muons** in **forward rapidity** from **d+Au collisions**
- How to the **extract muons of open heavy flavor** from hidden backgrounds
- Current status...

Single muons...

- In p+p
 - Measurement of heavy flavor production cross section
 - Reference for heavy-ion and deuteron-gold collision
 - Comparison with pQCD calculation
- In heavy ion
 - Measurement of heavy flavor production in heavy ion collisions
 - Study of medium effect



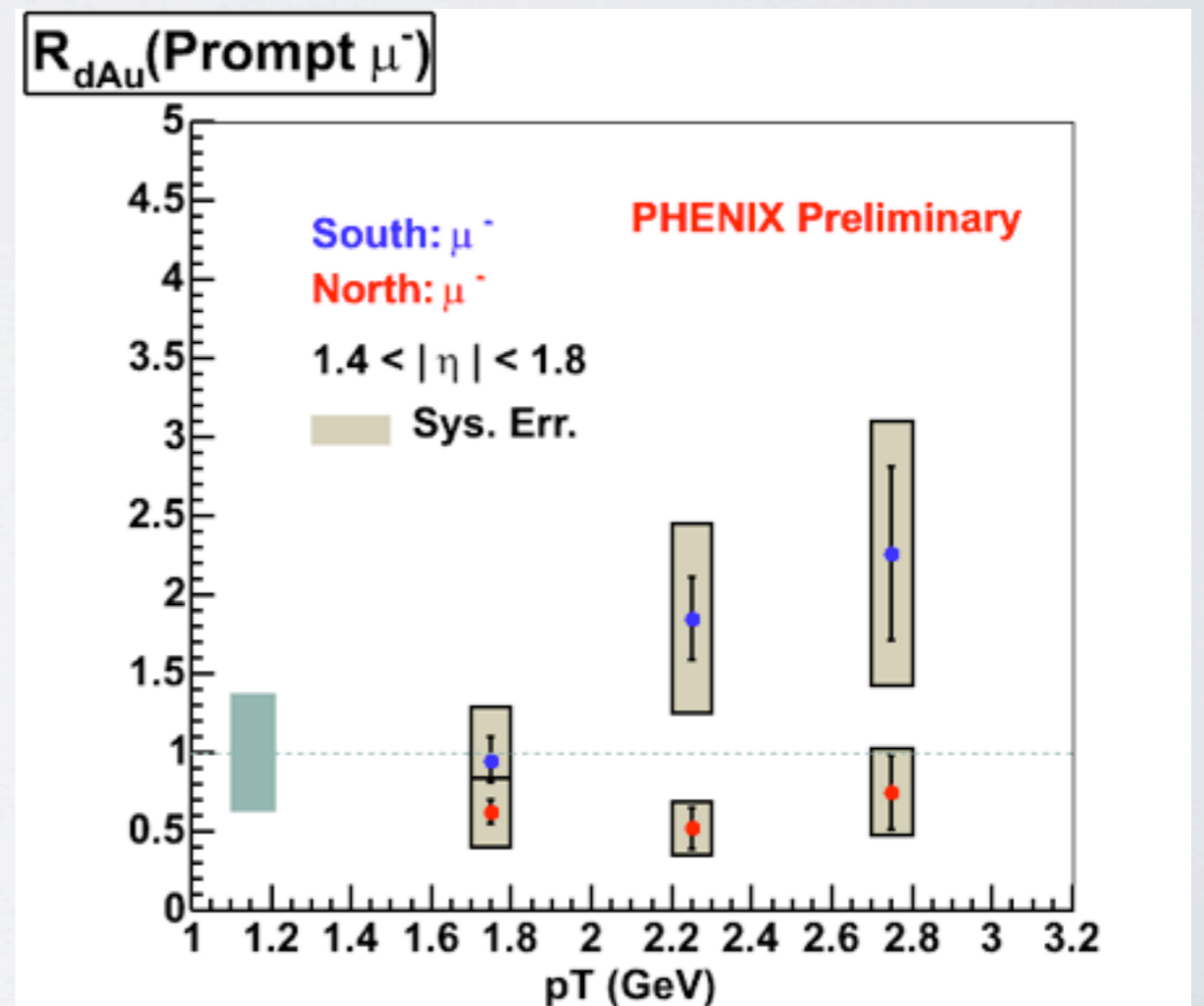
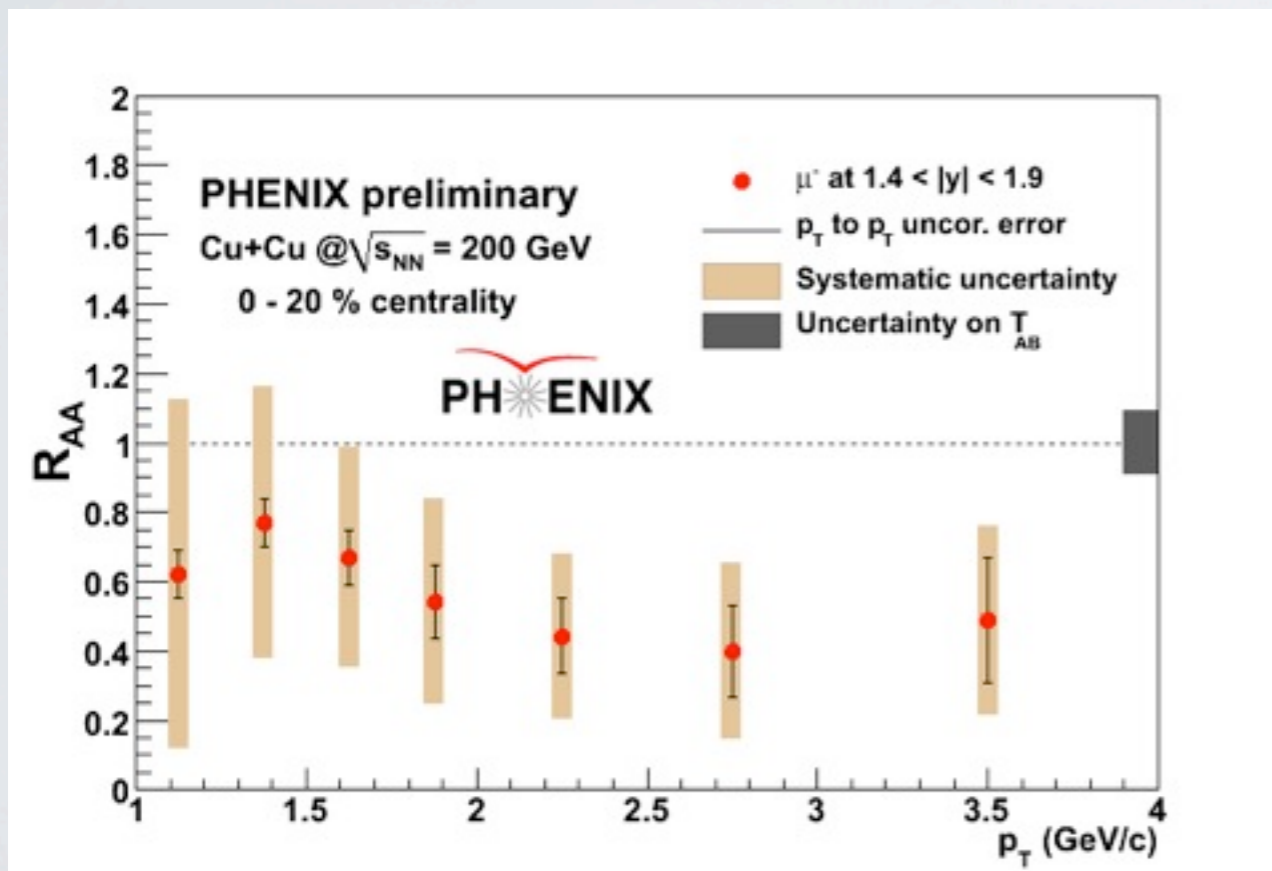
Nuclear modification factor

- Suppression in the most central Cu+Cu collisions

- Toward better results for d+Au collisions

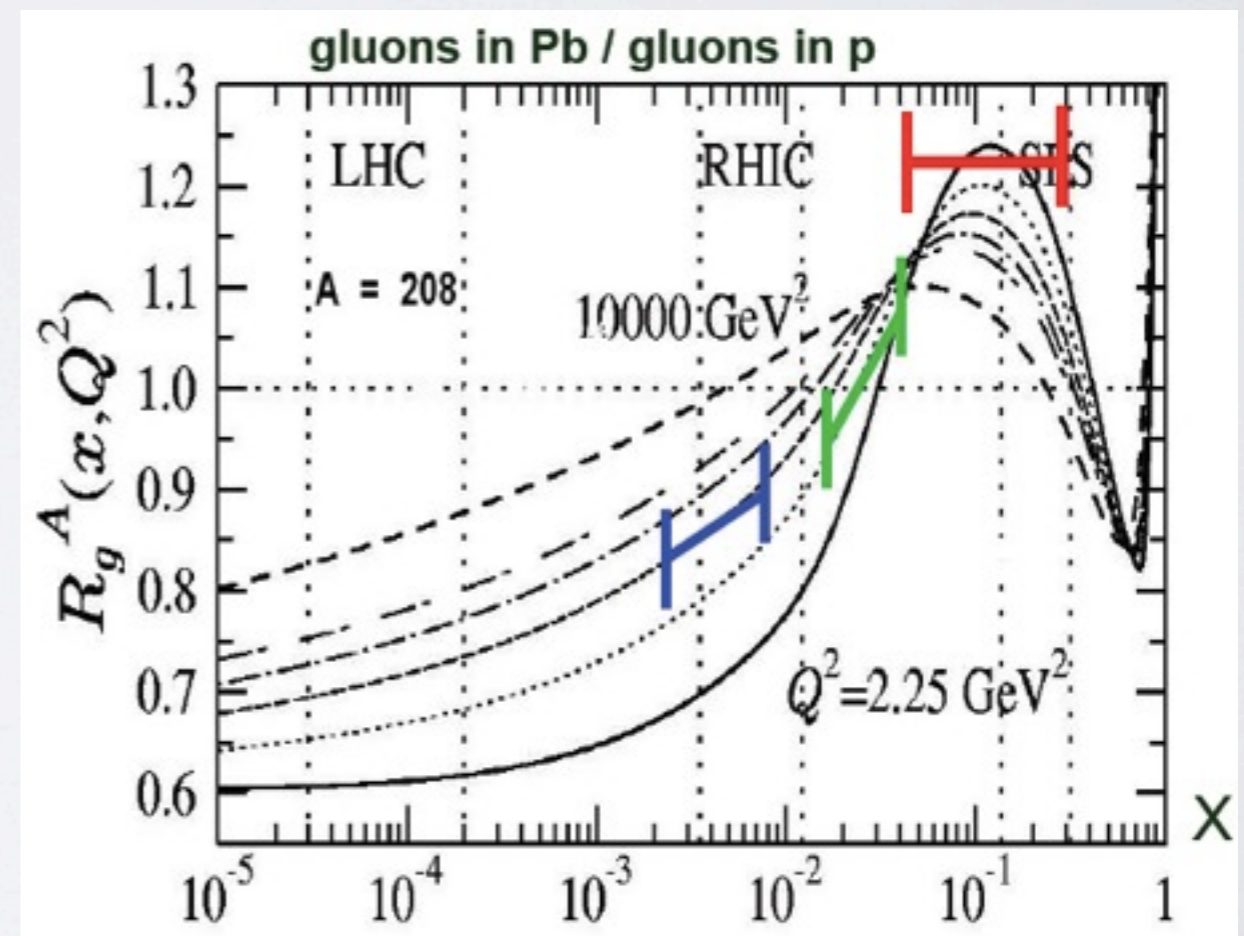
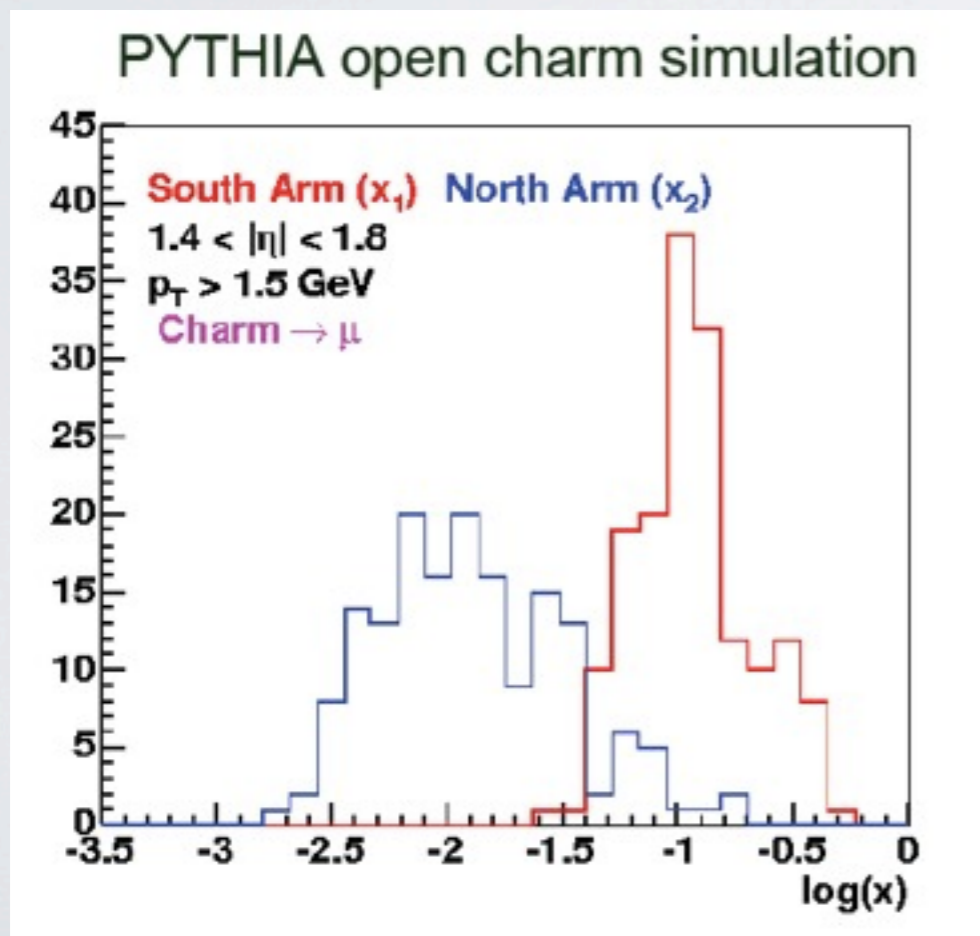
- reduce statistical errors and expand p_T region

$$R_{AA}(p_T) = \frac{\frac{d^2 N^{AA}}{dp_T d\eta}}{\langle N_{coll} \rangle \frac{d^2 N^{pp}}{dp_T d\eta}}$$



Forward rapidity in $d+Au$ collisions

- Particle production in the forward rapidity region (d going side) is sensitive probe of the small- x partons in the gold nuclei
 - SOUTH ($y < -1.2$) : large $x \sim 0.09$ (Anti-shadowing/Cronin regime)
 - NORTH ($y > 1.2$) : small $x \sim 0.005$ (Shadowing/suppression regime)



from Eskola, Kolhinen, Vogt
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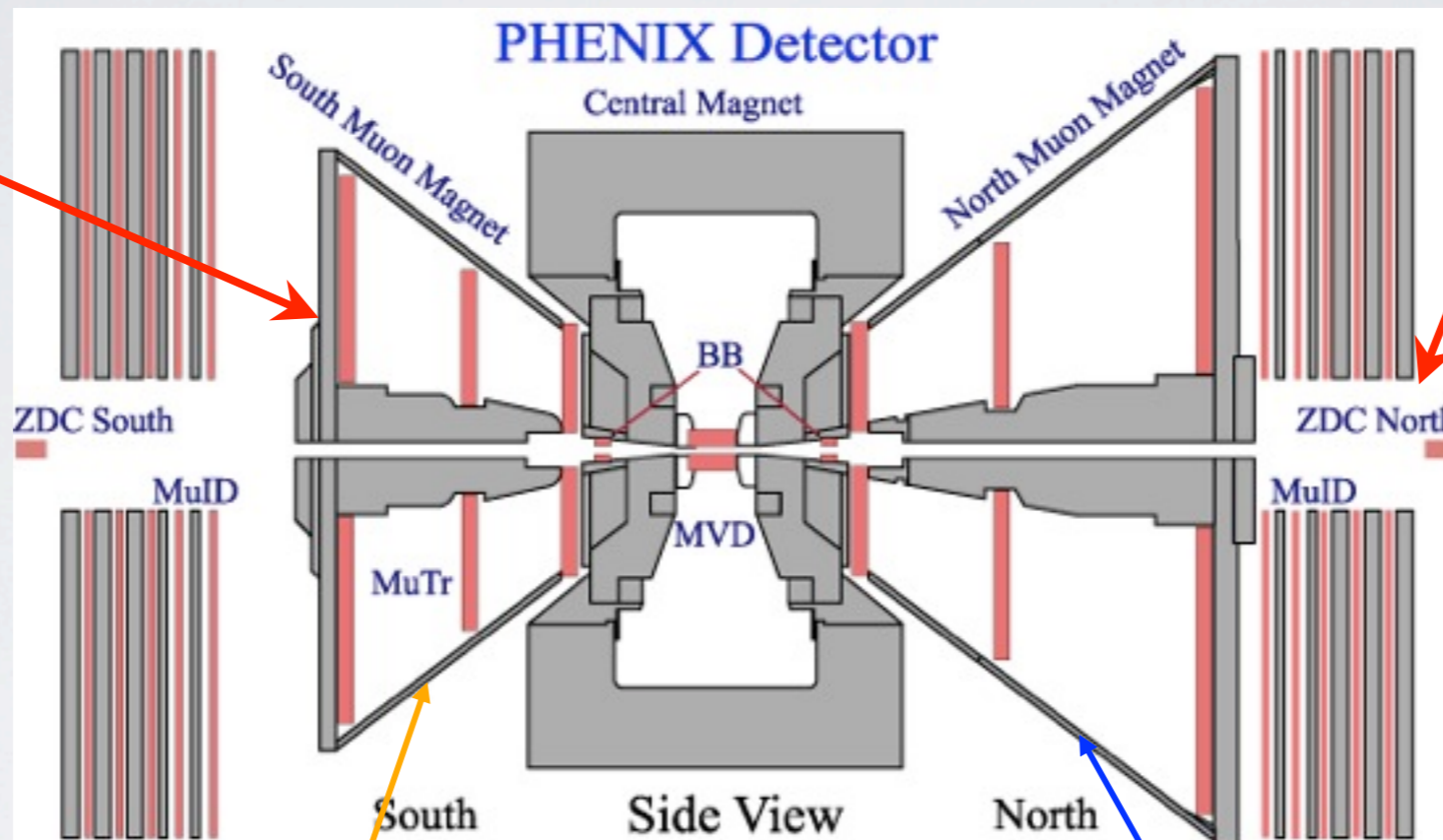
PHENIX Muon Detectors

deuteron \longrightarrow  \longleftarrow gold

Muon Tracker

Momentum measurement

3 station inside Muon Magnet



Muon Identifier

hadron/muon separation

5-layer sandwich of chamber and steel

Local Level 1 trigger

South Muon arm : $-2.2 < \eta < -1.2$

North Muon arm : $1.2 < \eta < 2.4$

Source of tracks in the muon arm

Muon from heavy flavor (the signal)

**Hadron
Punch through**

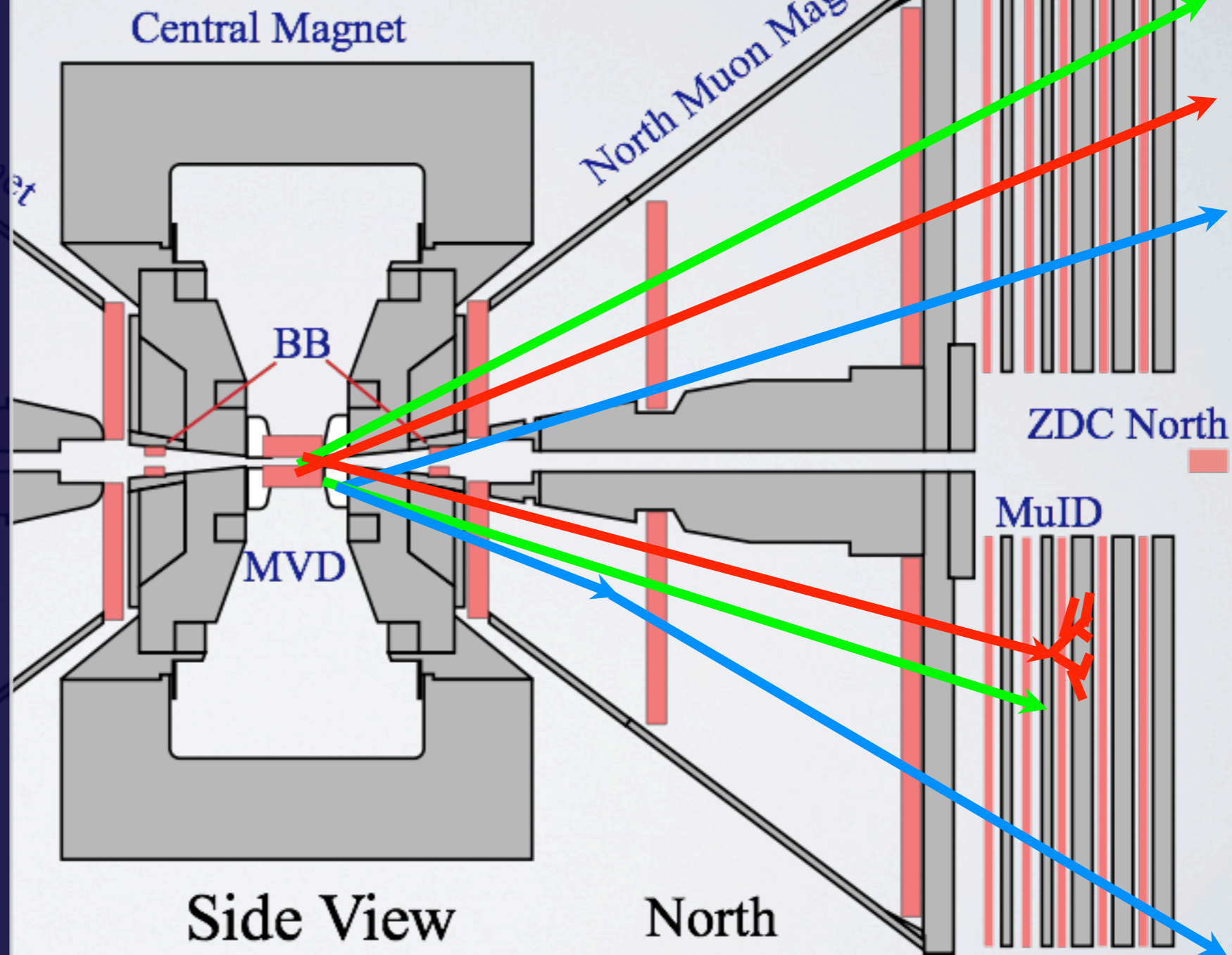
**Decay muon
from light meson**

Stopped hadron

Stopped muon

**Other background
Decaying in track volume**

PHENIX Detector

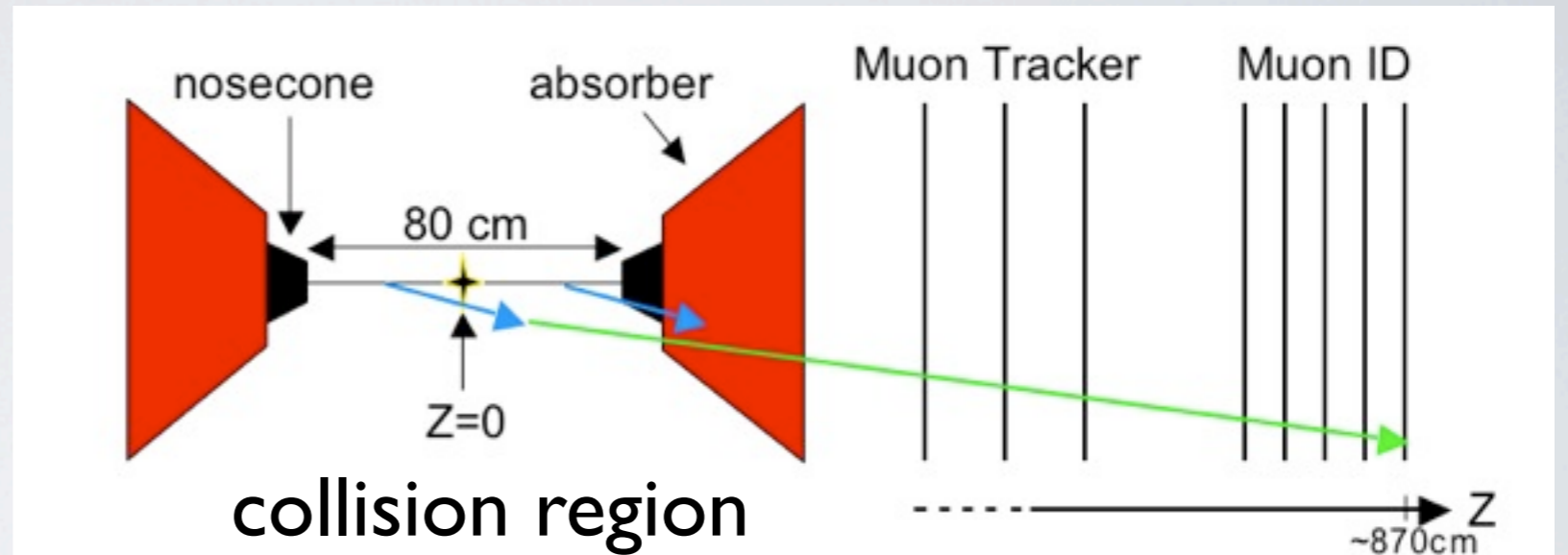


Source of tracks - Decay muon from light hadron

π 's : $c\tau = 780$ cm

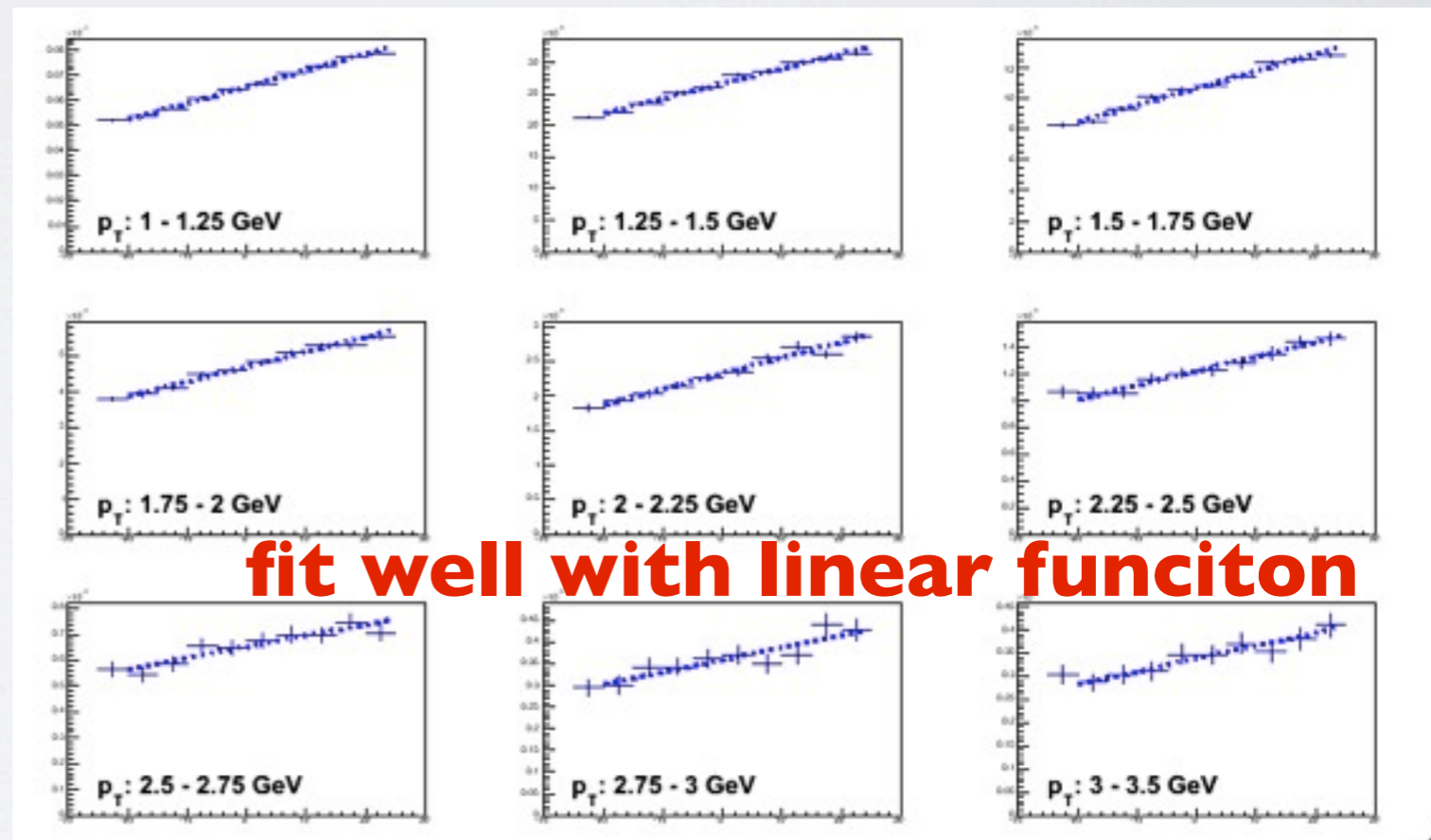
K's : $c\tau = 371$ cm

Muons from hadronic decays exhibit a characteristic linear vertex dependence.

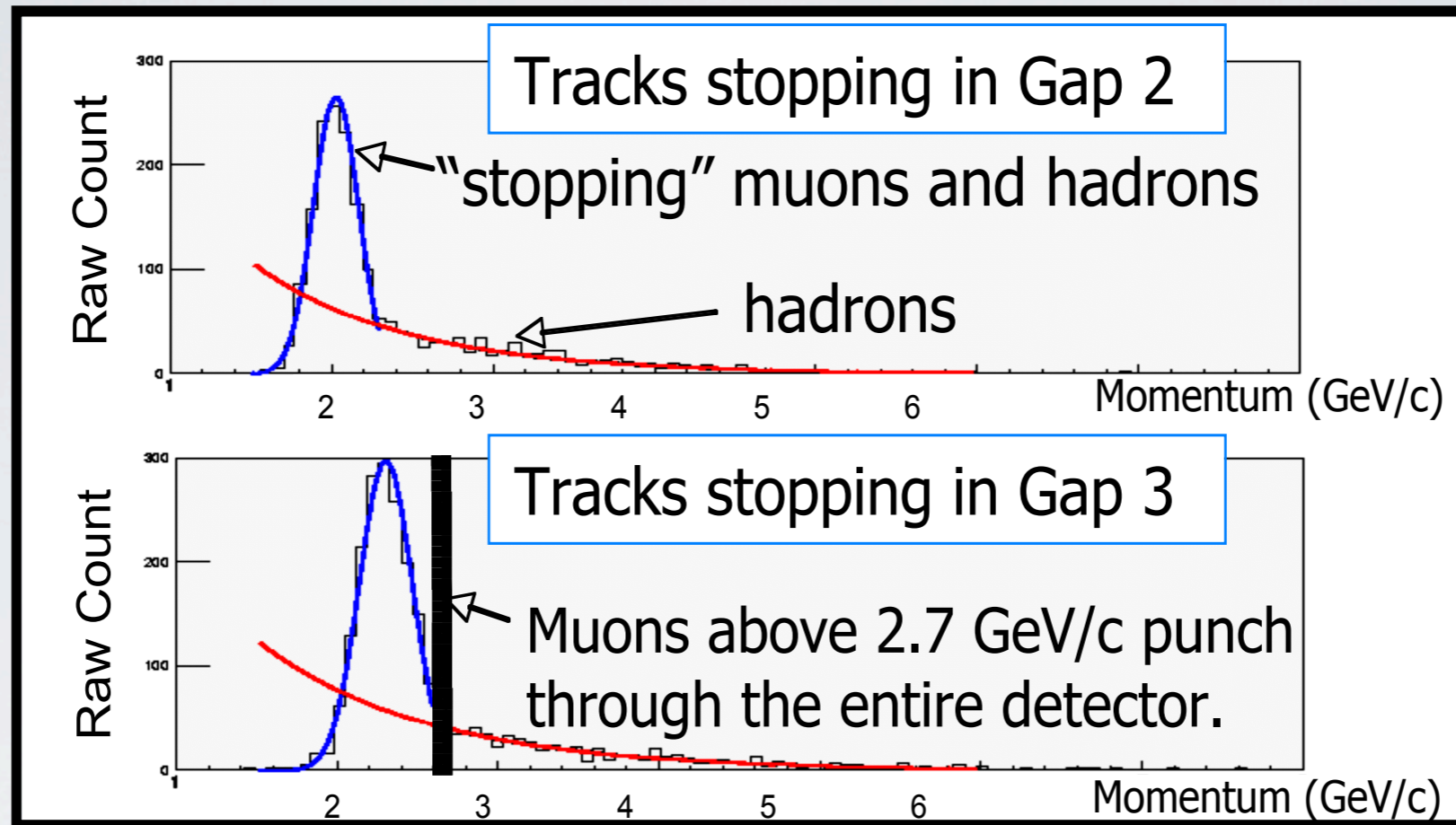


Probability of the hadron decay

$$P(\Delta z) = 1 - e^{-\frac{\Delta z}{\gamma c\tau}} \approx \frac{\Delta z}{\gamma c\tau}$$



Source of tracks - Stopped hadron and muon



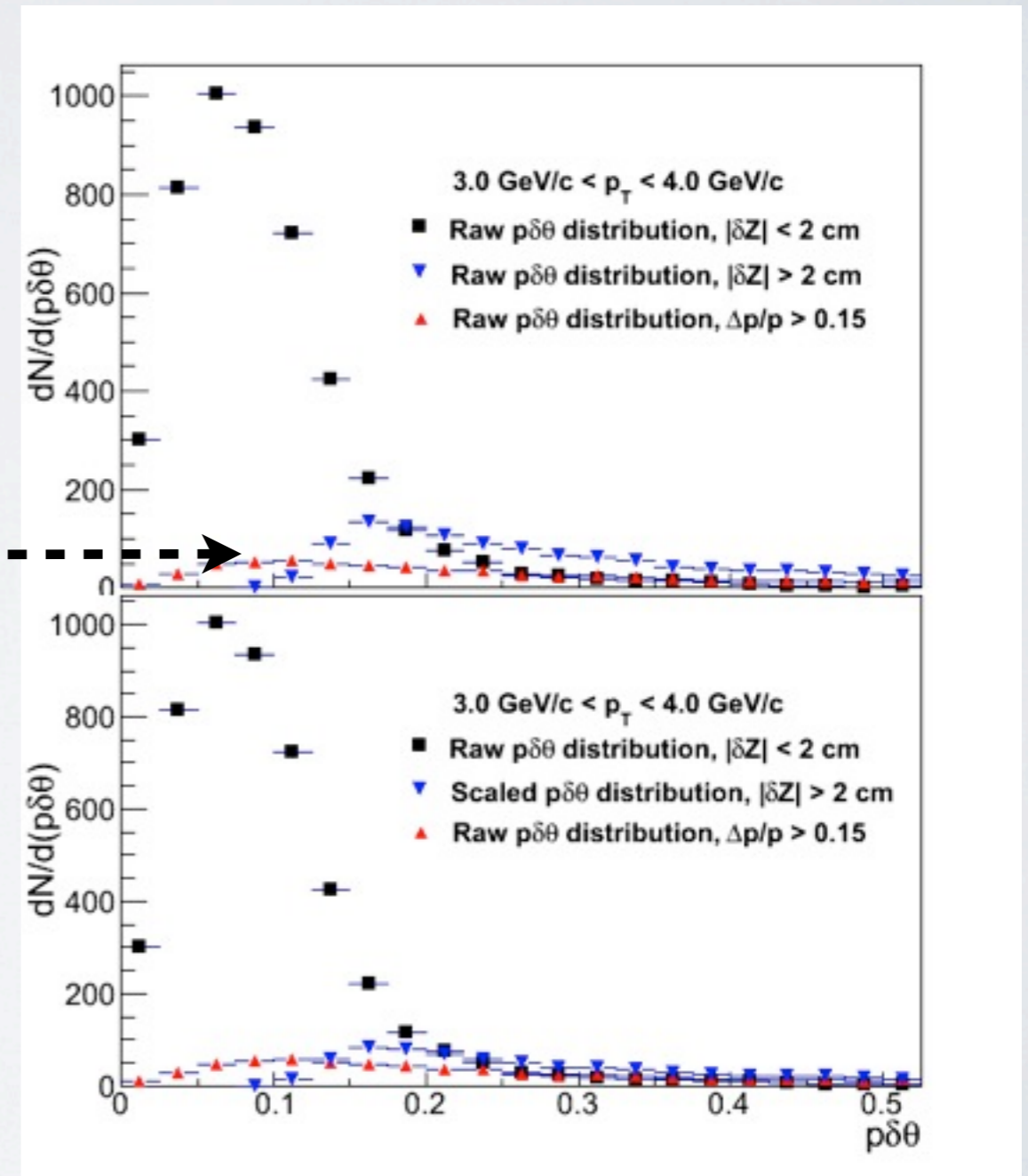
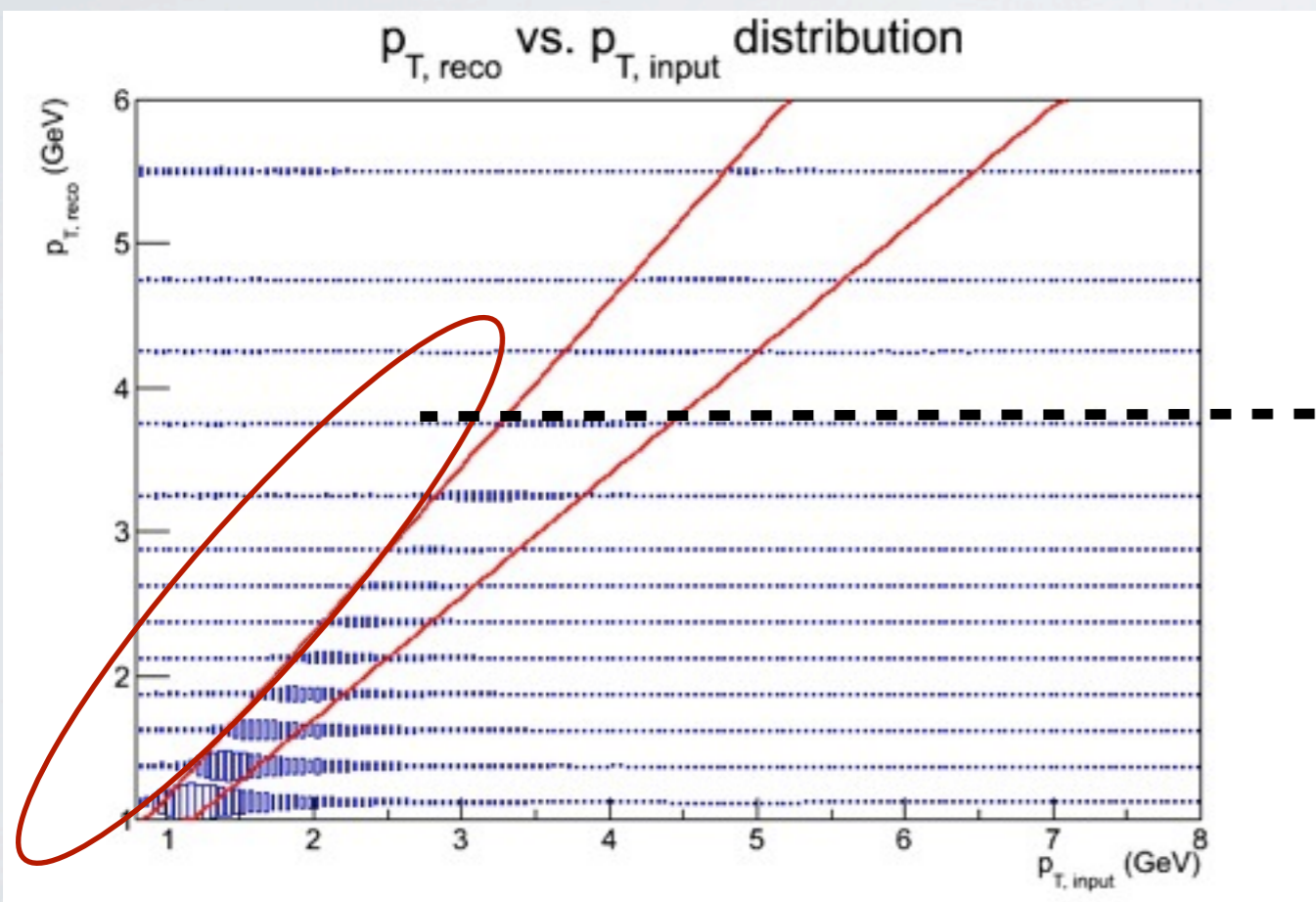
- Most of tracks having low momentum are muons from hadronic decay
- After p_z cut, pure stopped hadrons are left
=> Hadrons at Gap2 and Gap3 important components for matching simulation and data

Source of tracks - Hadron punch-through

- Survived hadrons against $\sim 10\lambda$ absorber
 - Dominant than decay muons over $p_T > 3$ GeV
 - vertex independent
- Estimation of hadron punch-through is the key to reaching the signal
 - No light hadron measurement in this rapidity window $\sim \langle y \rangle = 1.7$
 - Stopped hadron just give limited information
 - Massive hadron simulation with reasonable hadron input spectra

Source of tracks - Decay in track volume

- Muons decaying in tracking volume can be reconstructed high p_T tracks
- Using hadron simulation, the $p\delta\theta$ distribution of background tracks can be estimated



How to extract signal?

- Basically, after removing all sources of background, only muons from heavy flavor decay will remain.
 - After background subtraction, just do one reconstruction efficiency correction for prompt muon

$$N_{prompt} = N_{inclusive} - \underline{N_{decay}} - N_{punchthrough} - N_{background}$$

ONLY IF

simulation fits and works

perfectly

Hadron cocktail

- Hadron cocktail
 - limited hadron results in the forward and backward region
 - light hadron spectra study of event generator (PYTHIA for p+p, HIJING for d+Au)
 - LAST ingredient for blending => Hadron shower code

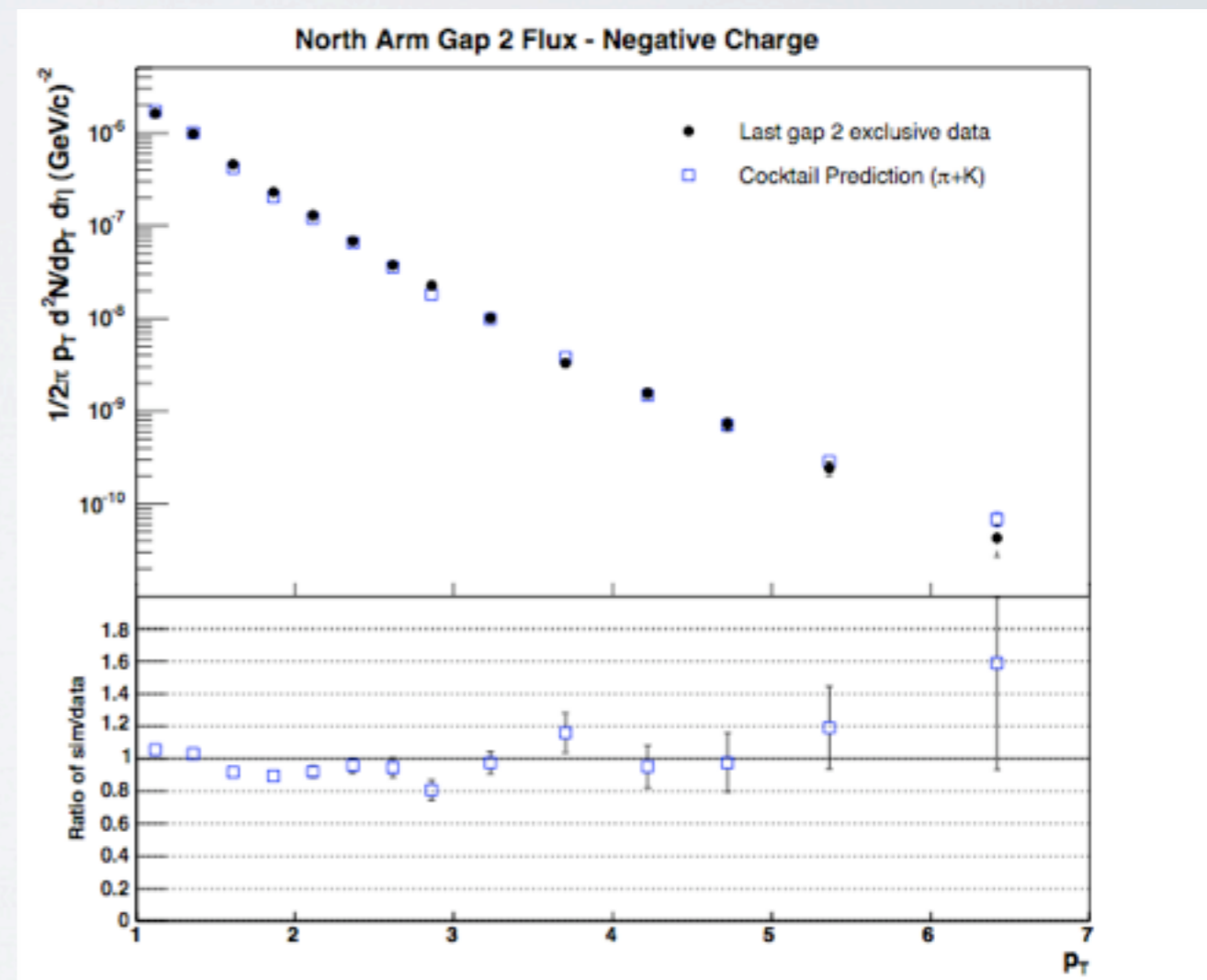
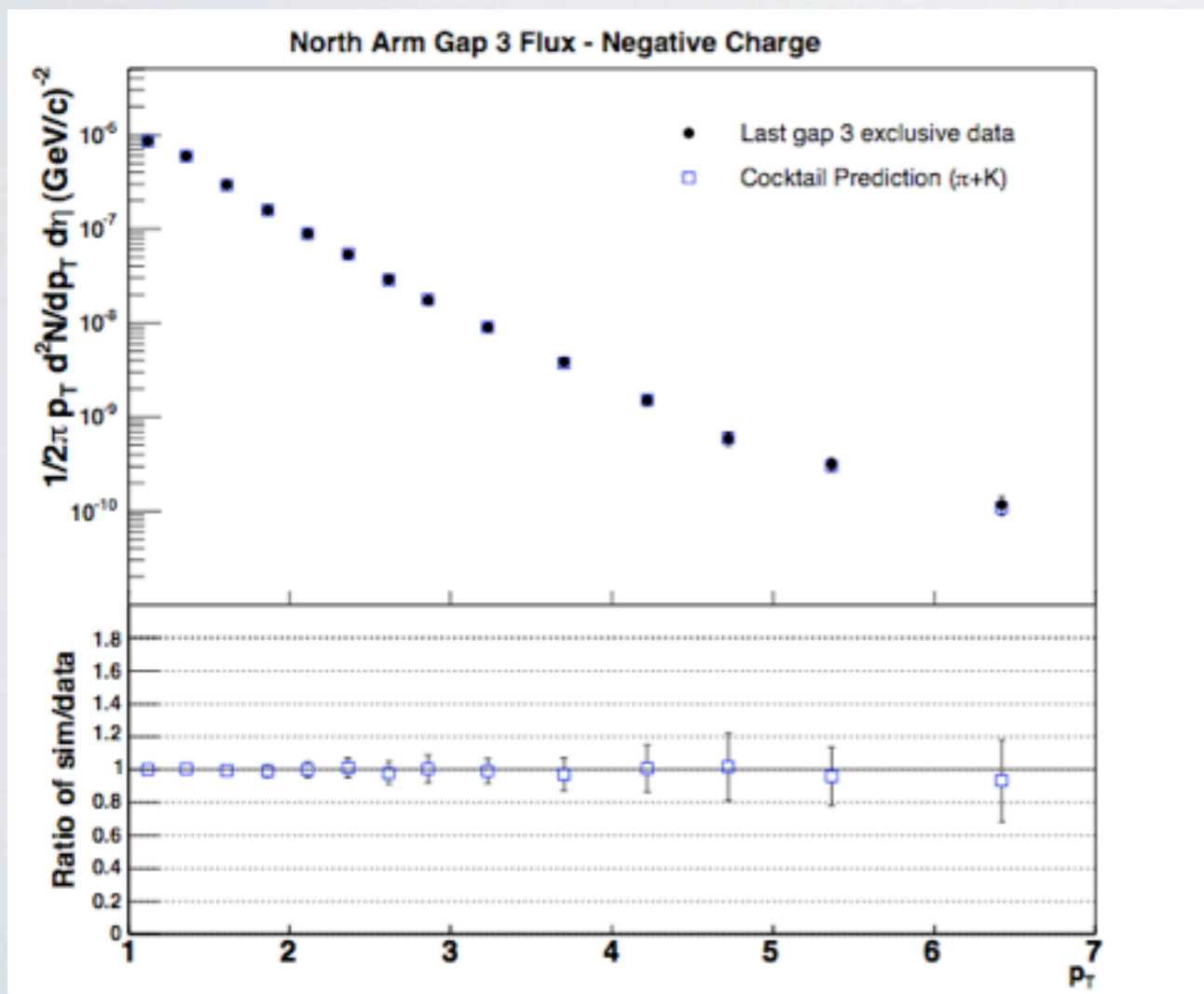
FLUKA & GHEISHA

- From previous single muon analysis in PHENIX, the overall flux of particle for GHEISHA is half of that for FLUKA
- Adjusting hadron interaction cross section separately for each hadron shower code and find out BEST combination for background estimation



Tuning the cocktail

- The results of hadron cocktail are normalized to the measured gap 3 stopped hadron yield
 - check the each hadron package well matched to gap 2 stopped hadron yield after tuning

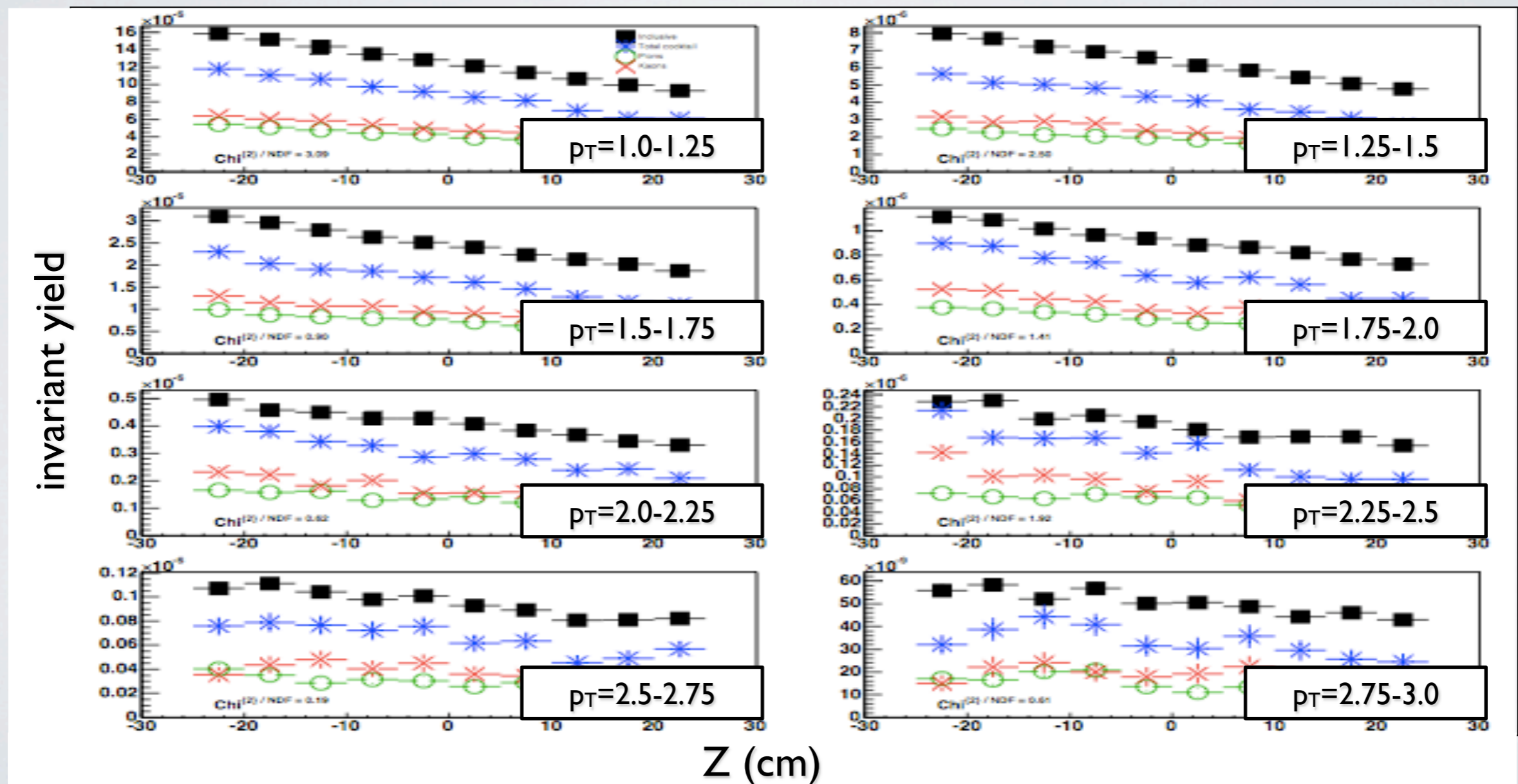


Check the z-vertex of muon candidates

- Last gap tracks from hadron cocktail contain hadron punch-through and decay muon => tendency of z-vertex should be matched

inclusive

total decay muons

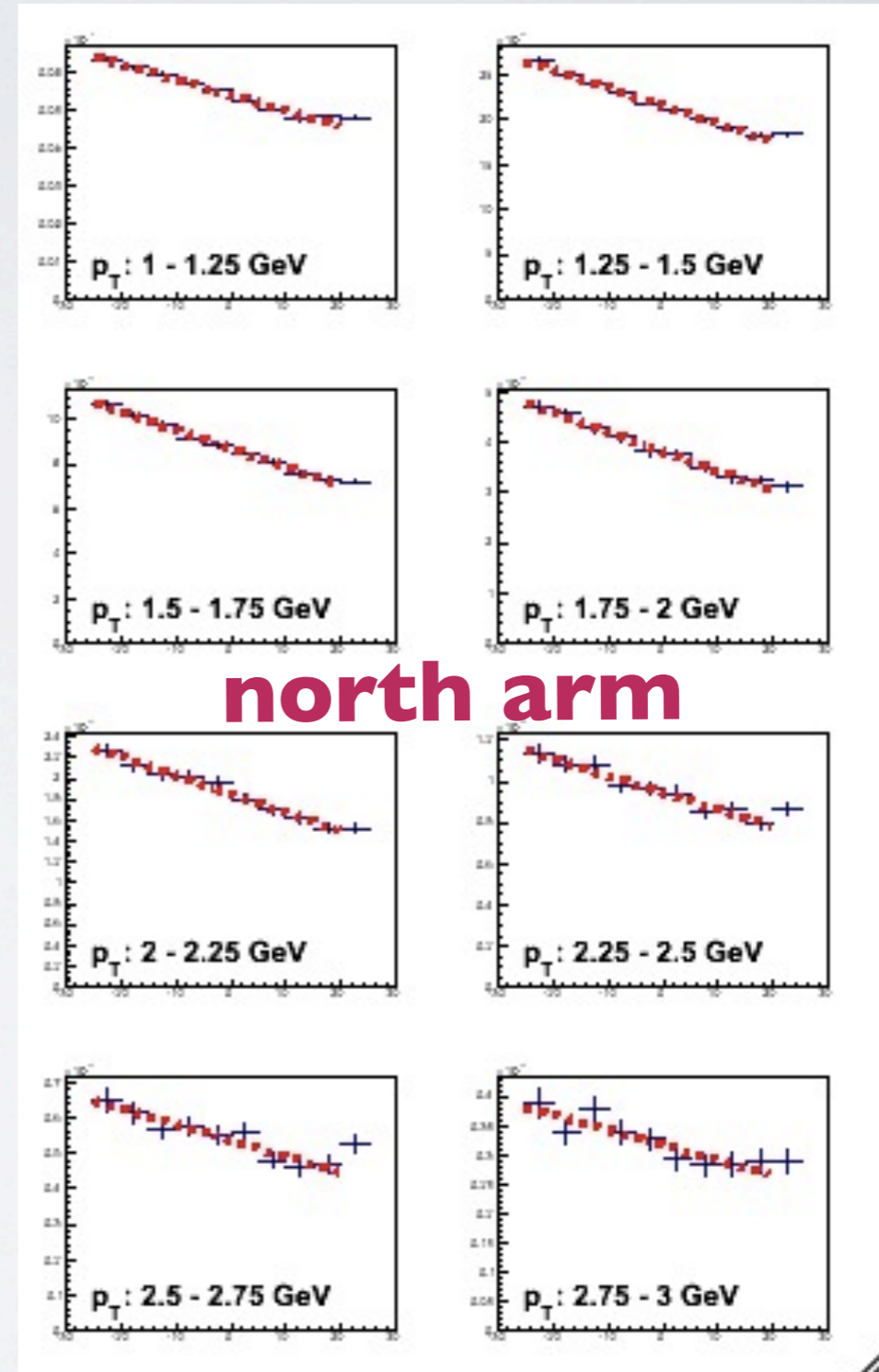
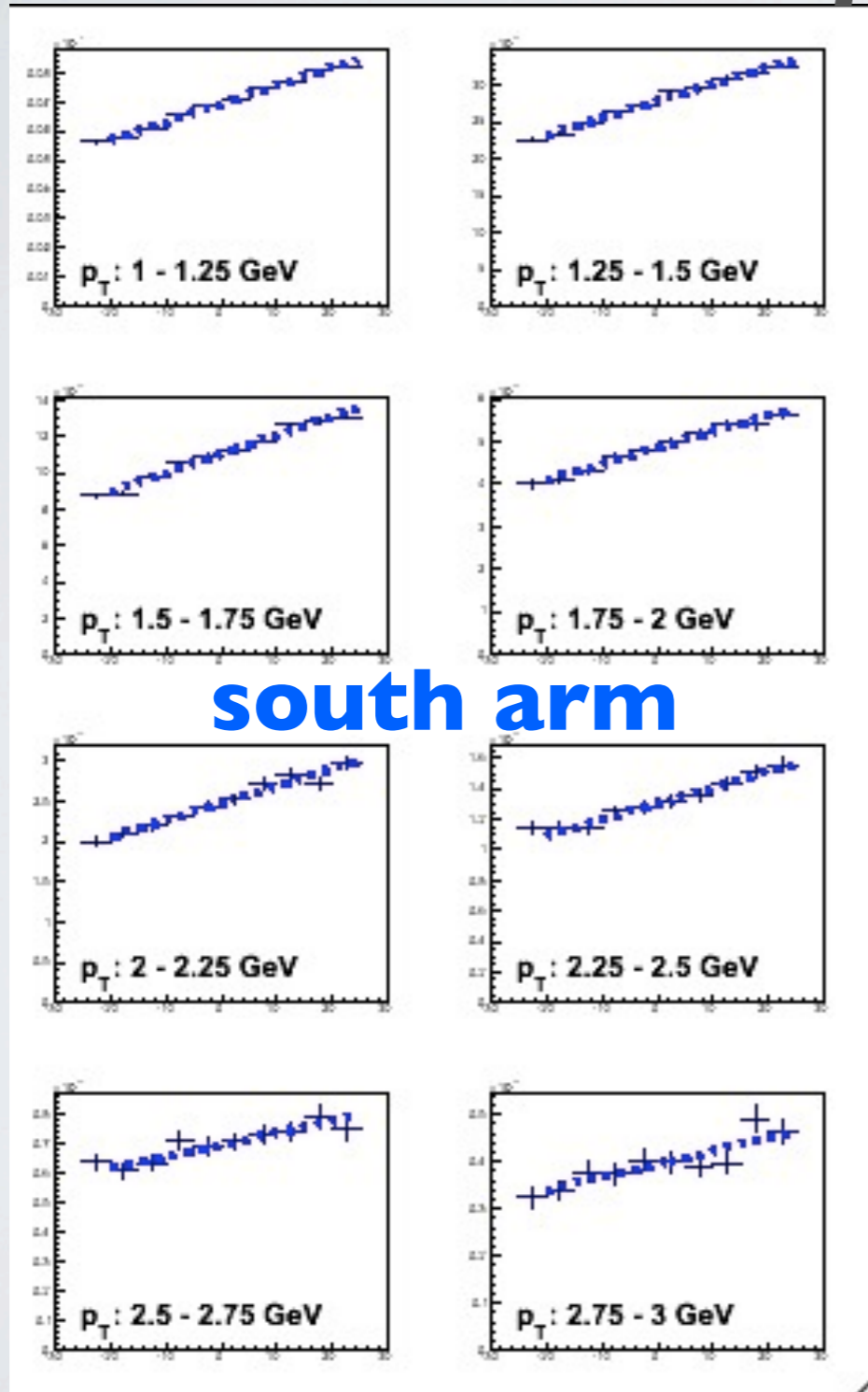


Do Step by Step...

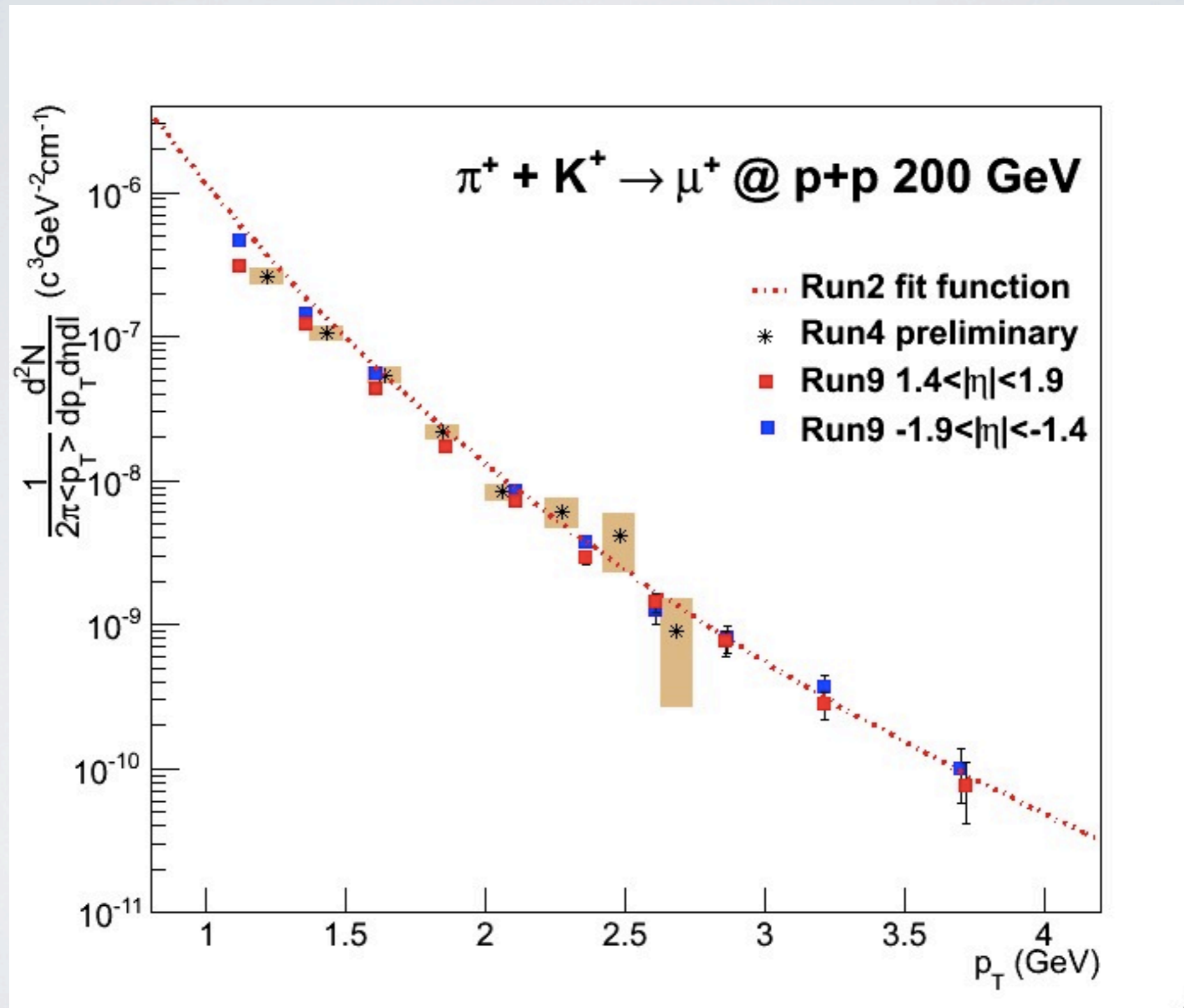
- Data production and basic quality check are completed.
- Study of track quality cuts and reconstruction efficiency are almost completed
- Input hadron spectra study is still going
 - HIJING estimates well the light hadron in d+Au collisions
 - PYTHIA for p+p will be checked soon
- Massive hadron simulation
 - At first, test hadron packages(modified hadron cross section) used for previous single muon analysis

Midterm check - Decay muons

Run9 $p+p$ 200 GeV

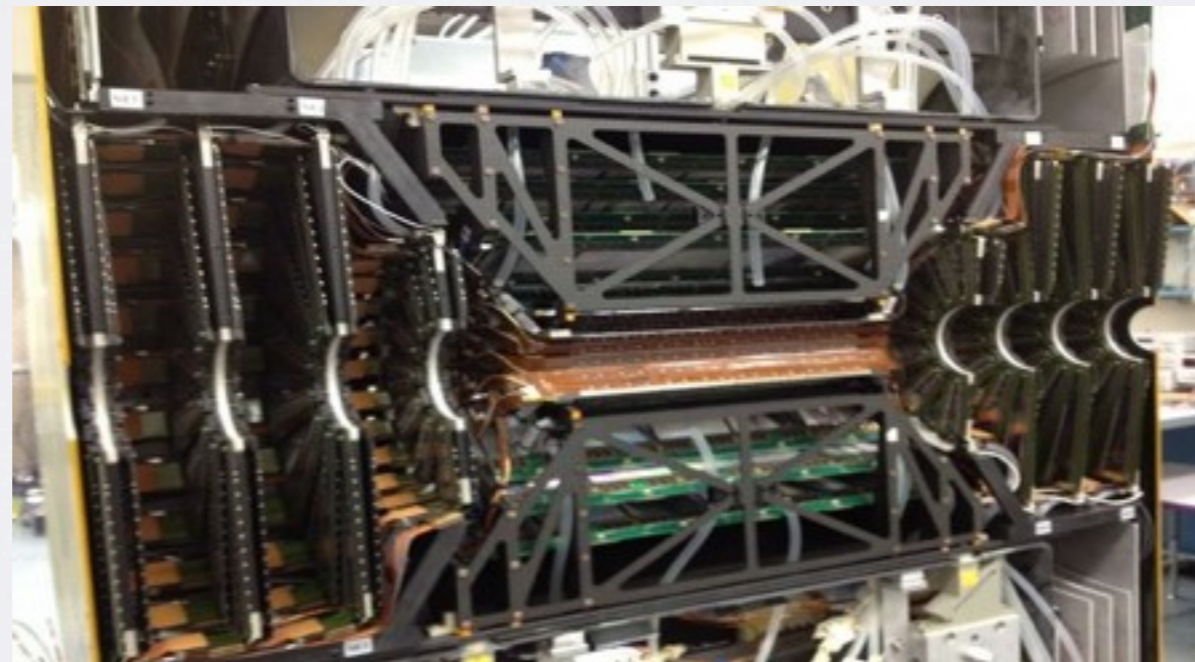


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Summary & outlook

- Single muon measurement from open heavy flavor in d+Au collisions is expected to be a good probe searching for cold nuclear matter
 - Statistical error would be reduced with d+Au data in Run8
 - Good comparison to Cu+Cu results
- New subsystem in PHENIX, FVTX starting from this run is expected to help background reduction and Charm and Bottom separation



Back up

