



# J/ $\psi$ production in Ru+Ru and Zr+Zr collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV with the STAR experiment

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#### Outline

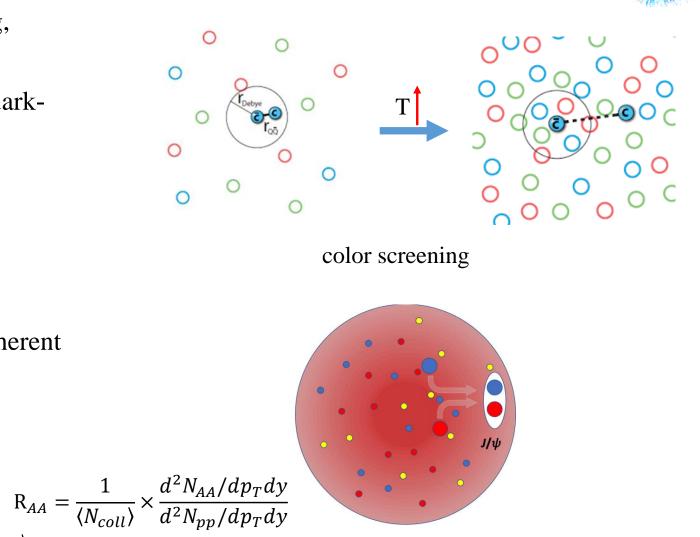


#### ➤Introduction

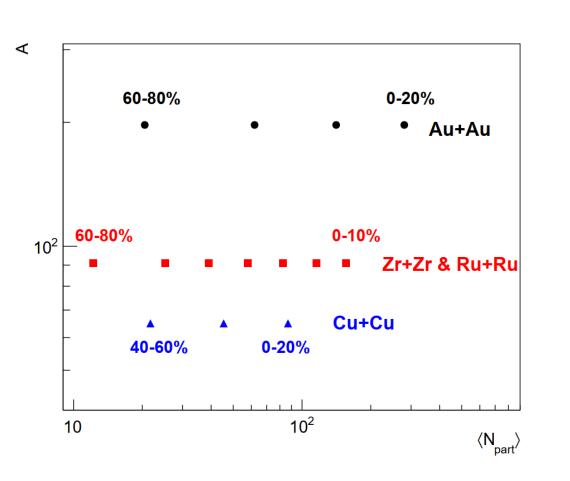
- $> J/\psi R_{AA}$  measurement
- $> J/\psi$  elliptic flow measurement
- ➤Summary

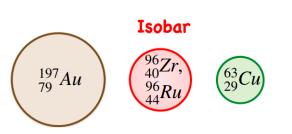
#### Introduction

- Heavy quarks produced via hard scattering, experience the whole medium evolution
- → J/ $\psi$  is considered a unique probe of the Quark-Gluon Plasma (QGP)
- ➢ Hot medium effects
  - Dissociation
  - Regeneration
  - Feed-down contribution
- Cold nuclear matter effects (e.g. nPDF, coherent energy loss, nuclear absorption)
- Other final state effects (e.g. comovers)
- ➤ Two key observables:
  - Nuclear modification factor  $(R_{AA})$
  - Elliptic flow ( $v_2$ )  $v_2 = \langle \cos[2(\phi \Psi_{rp})] \rangle$



#### Isobar collisions

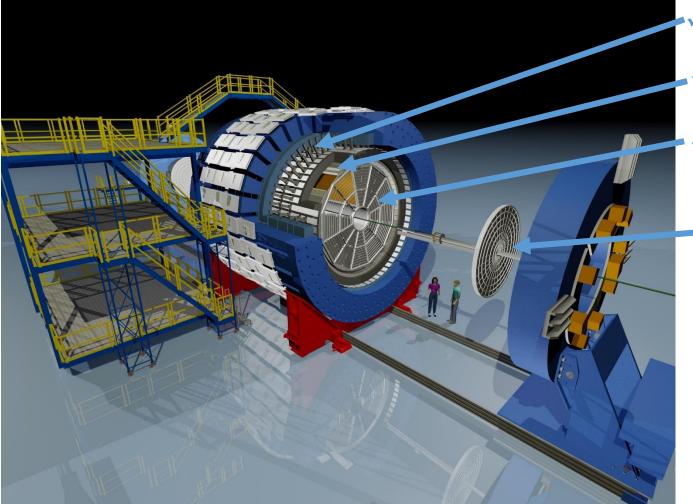




- ➤ A moderate size collision system
  - All these effects are expected to show strong dependence on collision system size
  - Unique opportunity to study the system size dependence
- Large isobar sample
  - ~4B good minimum bias  ${}^{92}_{44}$ Ru +  ${}^{92}_{44}$ Ru and  ${}^{92}_{40}$ Zr +  ${}^{92}_{40}$ Zr events
  - Unique opportunity to measure the spectra and  $v_2$  with good precision

#### The Solenoidal Tracker At RHIC



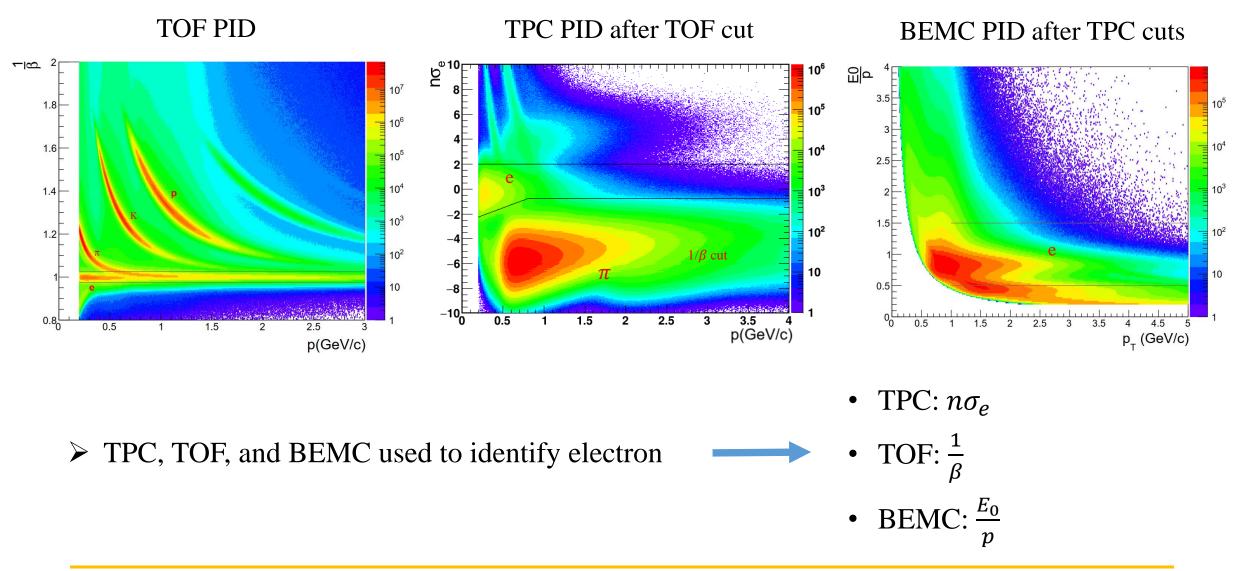


BEMC: Identification of high-p<sub>T</sub> electrons
TOF: Time of flight, particle identification
TPC: Tracking, momentum and energy loss

■ ✓ EPD: Event-plane reconstruction

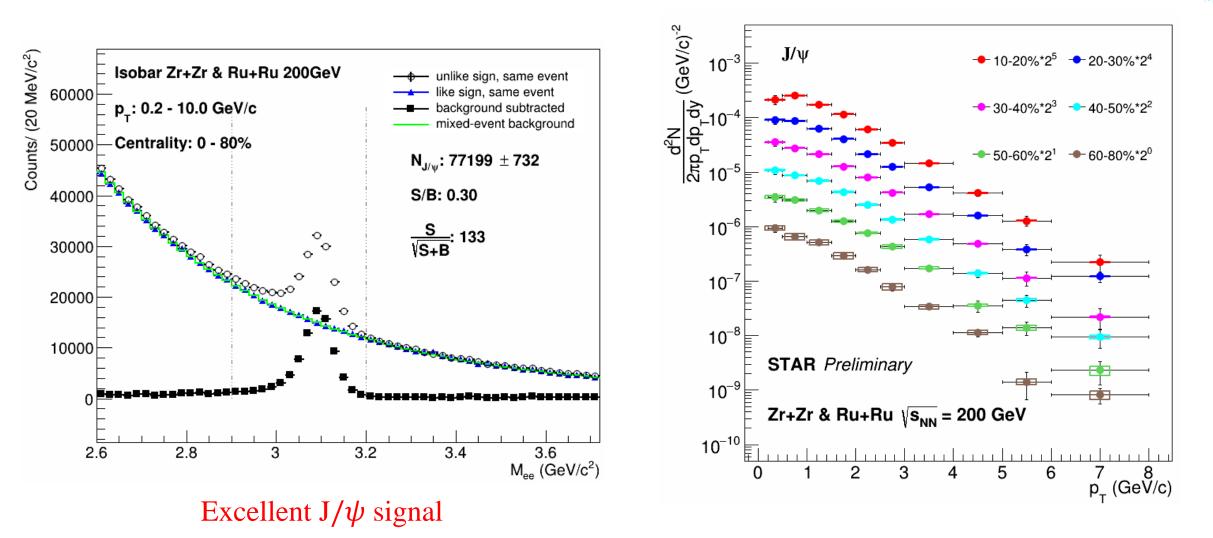
#### Electron identification





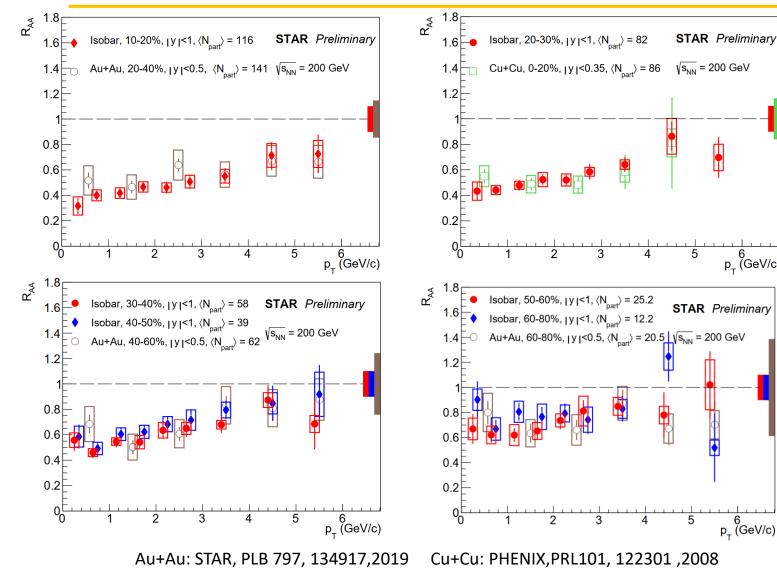
 $J/\psi$  spectra





#### Nuclear modification factors

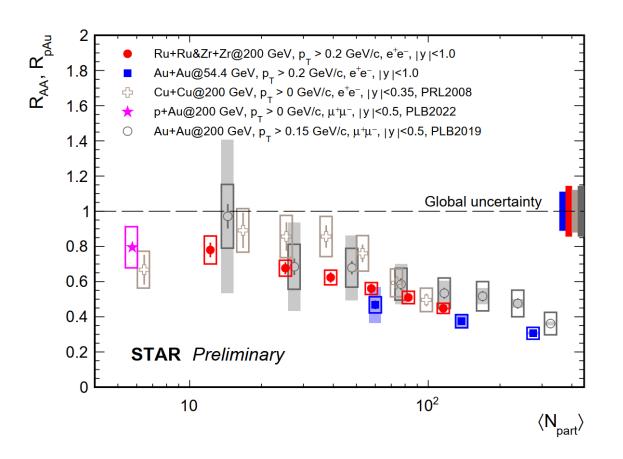




- $\succ$  R<sub>AA</sub> as a function of  $p_{\rm T}$ measured in 6 centralities of isobaric collisions
- $\succ$  High-precision J/ $\psi$ measurement at RHIC
- Significant suppression observed in central and midcentral collisions
- Consistent with Au+Au and  $\succ$ Cu+Cu results for similar system size  $(\langle N_{part} \rangle)$

6 p\_ (GeV/c)

## Nuclear modification factors

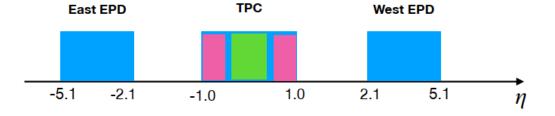


- A decreasing trend with increasing  $\langle N_{part} \rangle$  is observed
- Significant suppression observed at large  $\langle N_{part} \rangle$  due to dissociation
- No significant collision system and energy dependence at RHIC energies

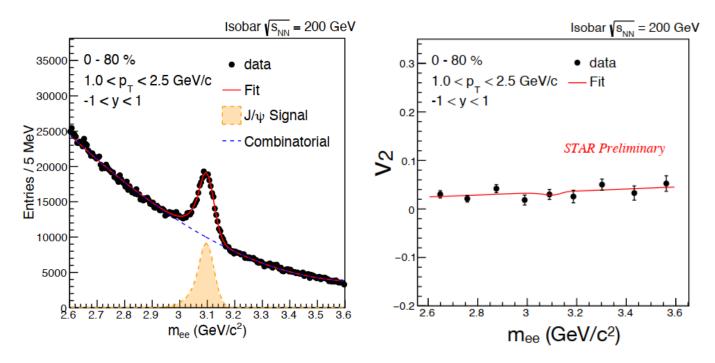
#### $v_2$ extraction for MB events

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Scalar-Product (SP) method: (MB trigger)



Large  $\eta$  gap between J/ $\psi$  and EPD  $\rightarrow$  reduced non-flow contribution to final results



- Crystal-ball function for  $J/\psi$  mass distribution
- 3rd order polynomial for background mass distribution

• Background 
$$v_2$$
:  $a + b * mass$ 

$$v_{2}^{S+B}(m_{inv}) = f(m_{inv})v_{2}^{S} + [1 - f(m_{inv})]v_{2}^{B}$$
$$f(m_{inv}) = \frac{S(m_{inv})}{S(m_{inv}) + B(m_{inv})}$$

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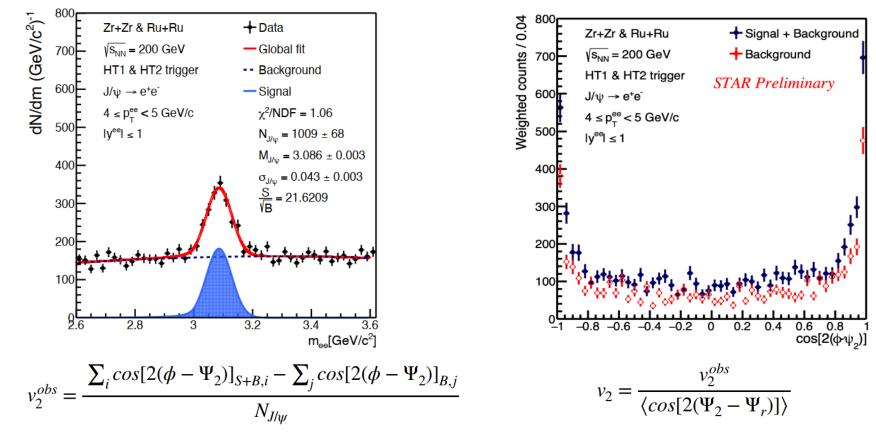
## $v_2$ extraction for BEMC-triggered events

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TPC Event-Plane (EP) method: (HT trigger)

$$E\frac{d^{3}N}{d^{3}p} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{d^{2}N}{p_{T}dp_{T}dy} (1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2v_{n}cos[n(\phi - \Psi_{n})])$$

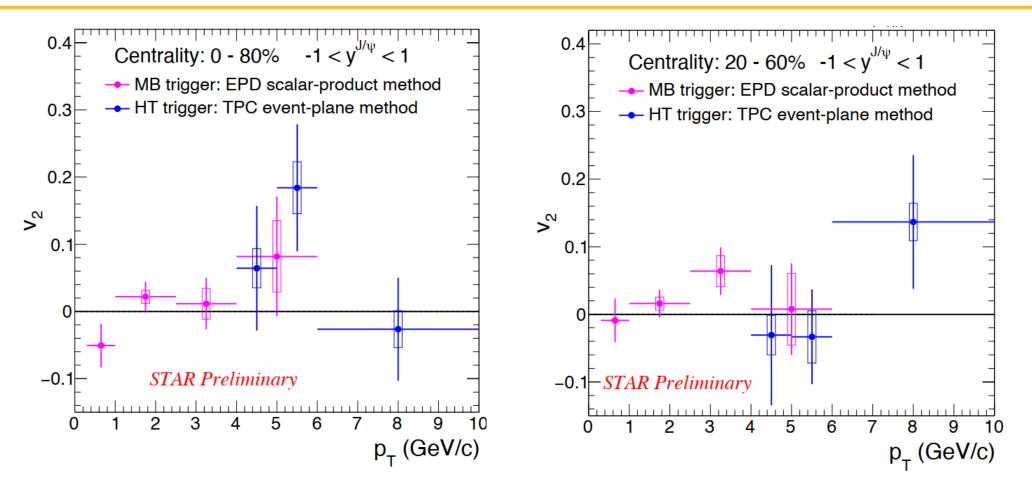
TPC second-order event plane to estimate the reaction plane



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 $J/\psi$  elliptic flow

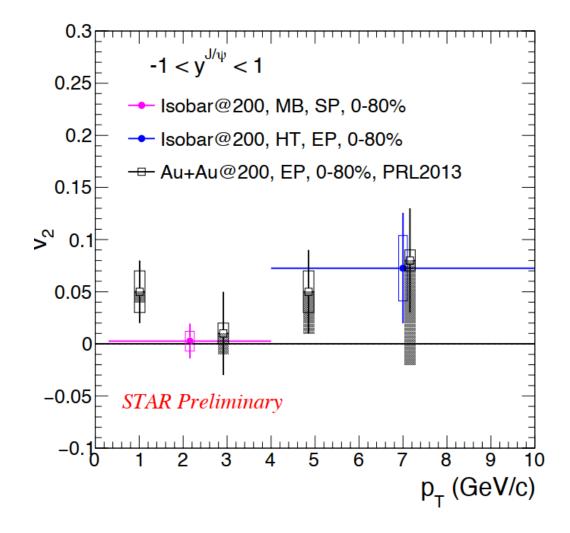




No significant J/ $\psi v_2$  is observed with the current statistics No significant  $p_T$  dependence is seen for J/ $\psi v_2$ 

 $J/\psi$  elliptic flow





- More precise v<sub>2</sub> results at low p<sub>T</sub> range (< 4 GeV/c) in isobar data than previous Au+Au results
- $v_2 = 0.003 \pm 0.017(stat.) \pm 0.010(sys.)$
- Indication of little regeneration effect and/or small charm quark flow

#### Summary

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 $> J/\psi R_{AA}$  and  $v_2$  are measured in isobaric collisions with great precision

- Significant suppression of J/ $\psi$  in isobaric collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV has been observed
- No significant energy and size dependence of  $J/\psi R_{AA}$  at RHIC at similar  $\langle N_{part} \rangle$
- $v_2$  is consistent with zero

>Indicate strong dissociation effect in central isobaric collisions

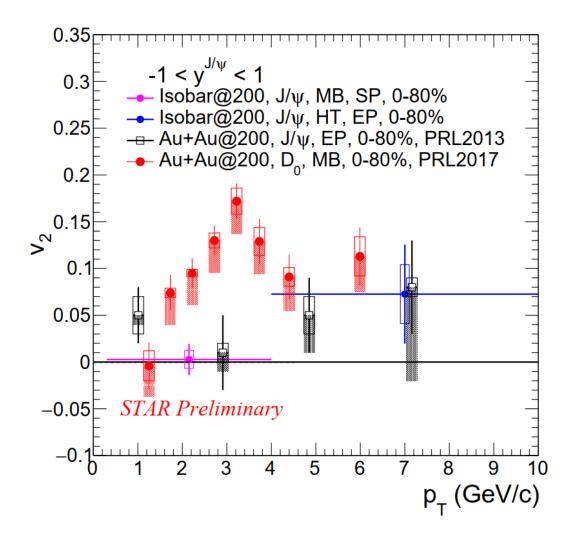
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## Back up

## $D_0$ elliptic flow







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