



# Jet physics at RHIC, lessons for LHC

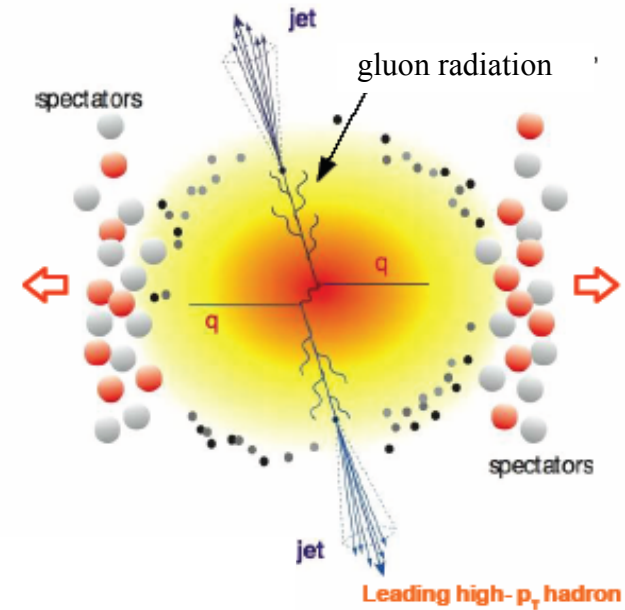
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# Physics motivation

- High energy partons, resulting from a initial hard scattering, will create a high energy cluster of particles → **jets**
- Partons traveling through a dense color medium are expected to lose energy via medium induced gluon radiation, "**jet quenching**", and the magnitude of the energy loss depends on the gluon density of the medium
- Parton showering and the subsequent hadronization are known as "**parton fragmentation**"



$$\Delta E \propto \alpha_s C_R \hat{q} L^2$$

Measurement of the parton fragmentation products may reveal information about the QCD medium



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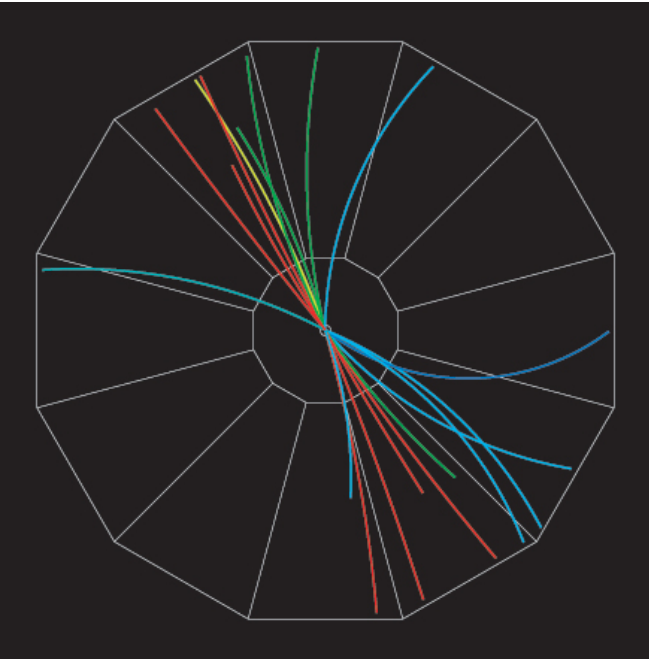
- Results from AuAu and pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200 \text{ GeV}$   
what do they tell us?
- Results from dAu collisions  
initial or final state effects?
- Latest results
  - "real" high  $p_T$
  - different systems, different energies
- Jets at LHC

This presentation features only a selection of results: an overview of the RHIC results, with emphasis on new results



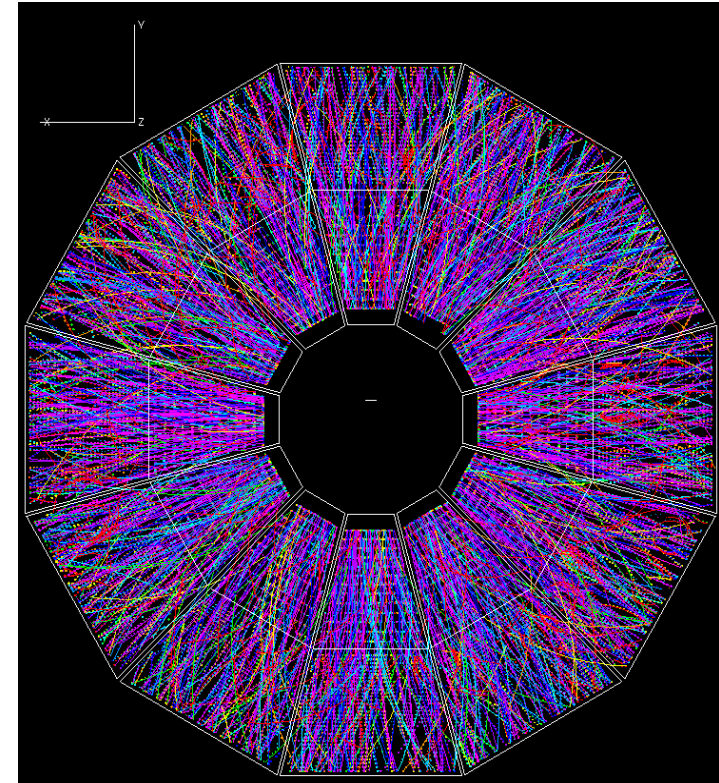
# Finding jets

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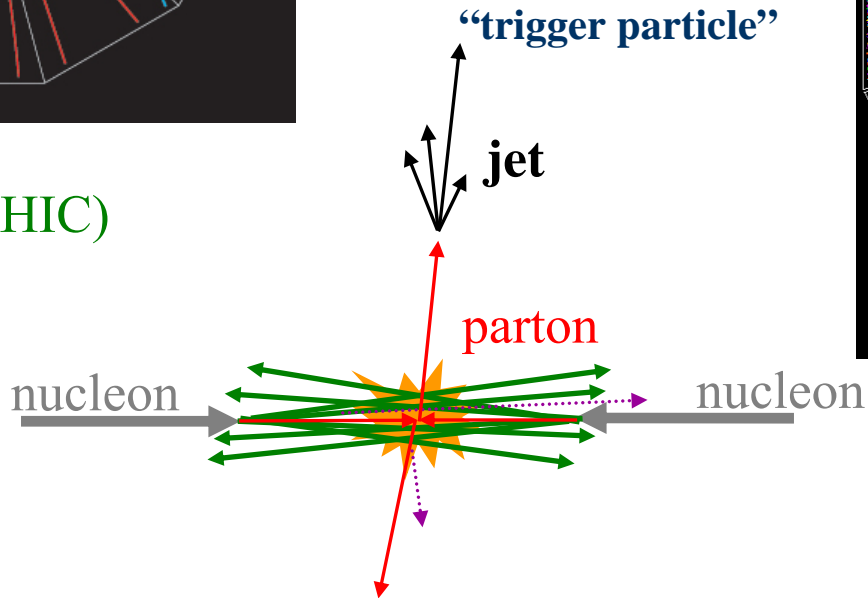


p+p  
(STAR@RHIC)

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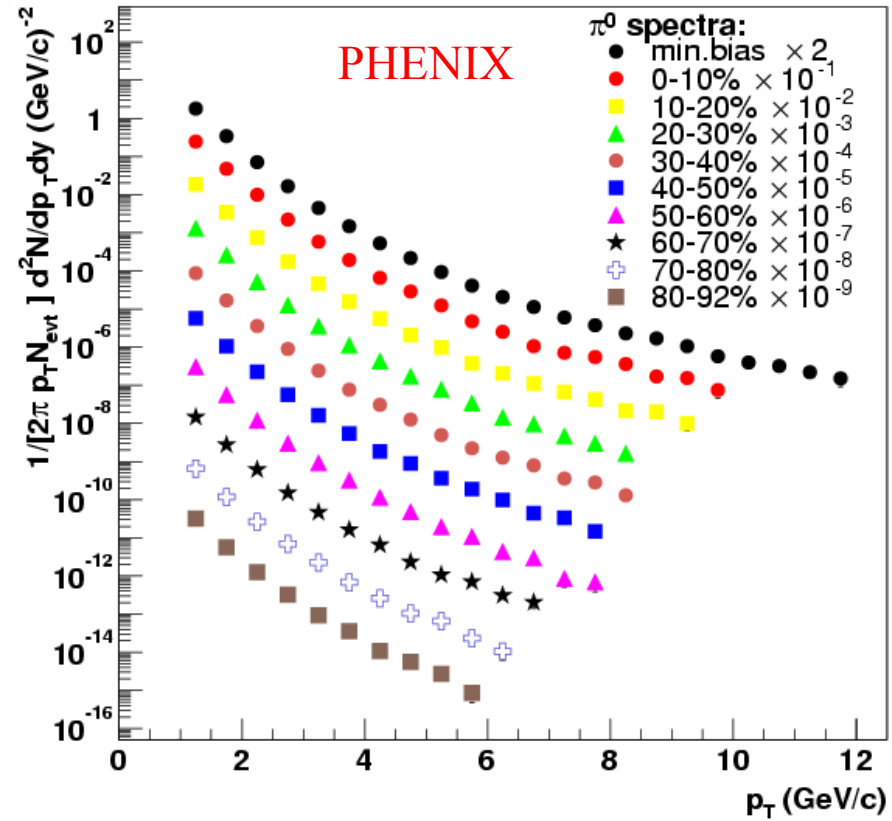
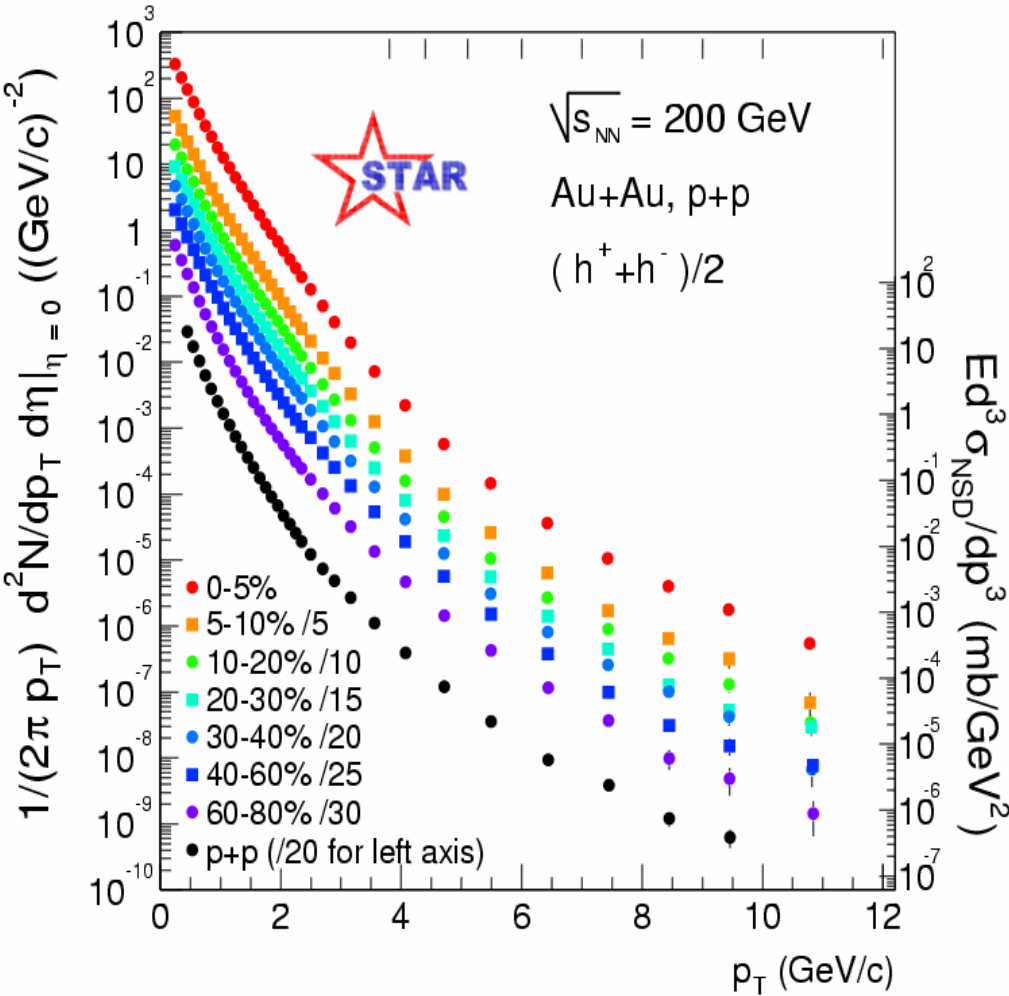


Au+Au  
(STAR@RHIC)





# Hadron spectra at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200 \text{ GeV}$

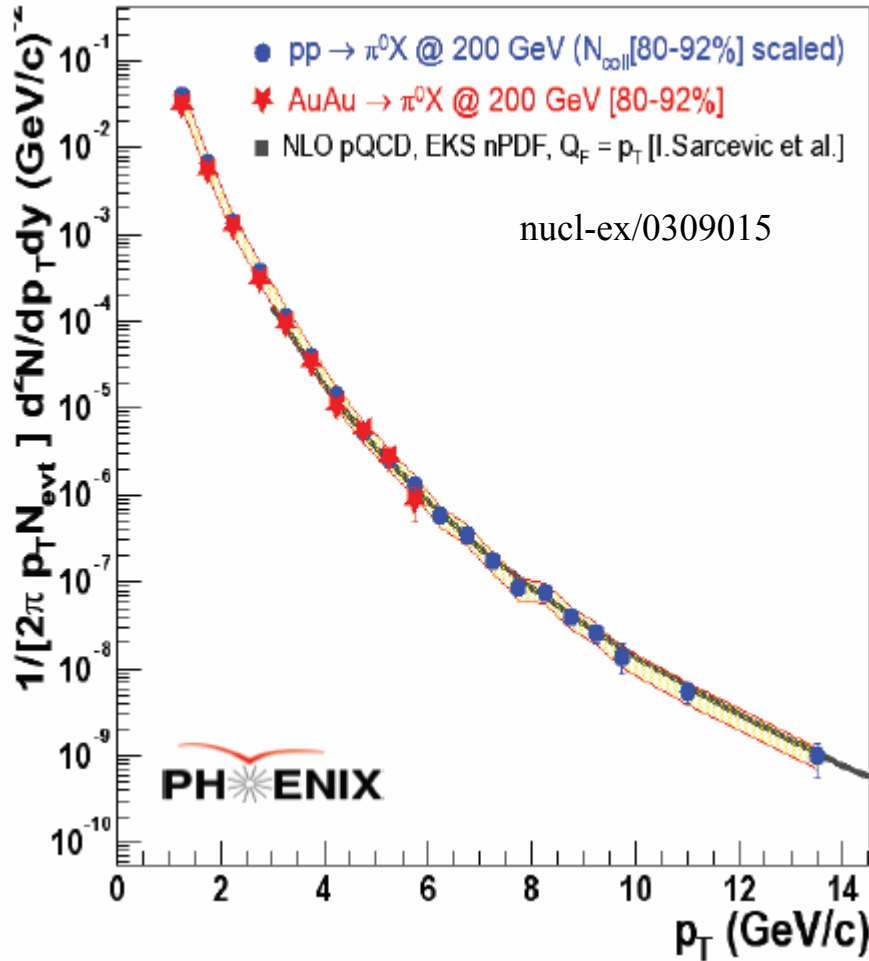




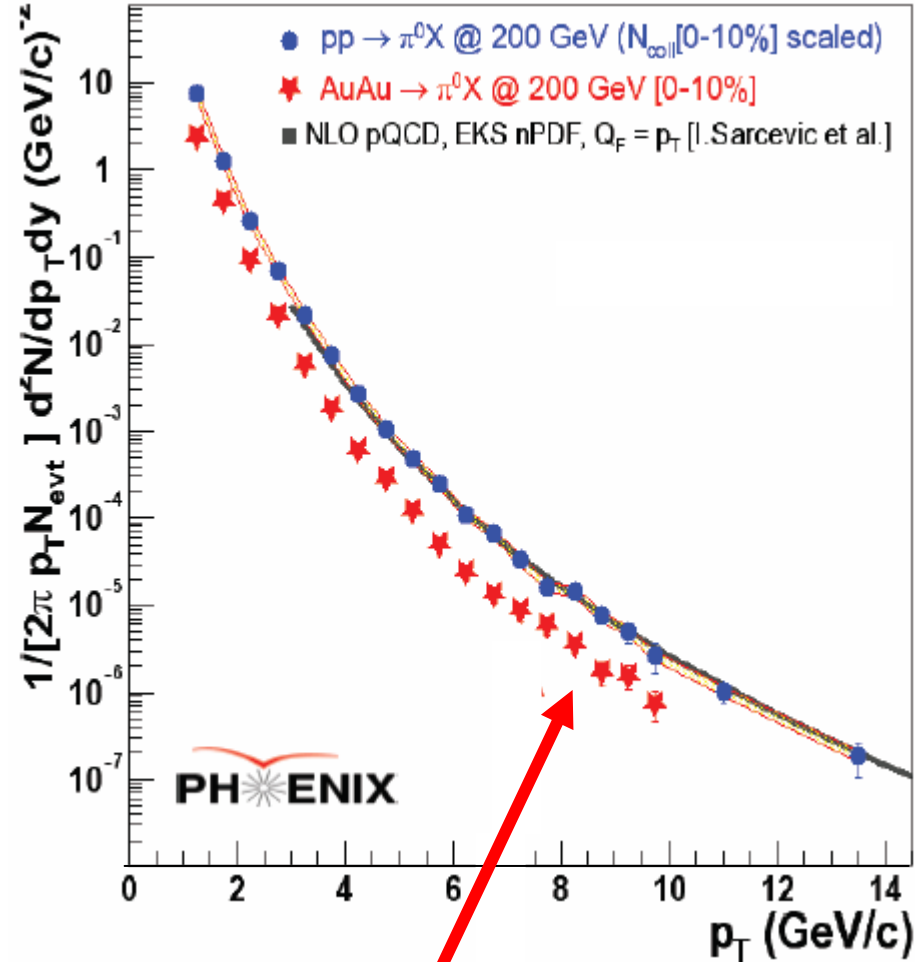
# AuAu vs. pp

high- $p_T$  production in pp provides the baseline "vacuum" reference to heavy-ion to study the QCD medium properties

$$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200 \text{ GeV}$$



peripheral collisions agree with pp  
(with the right scaling)



strong suppression in  
central AuAu collisions



# Nuclear modification factor $R_{AB}$



Are AuAu collisions just an incoherent superposition of pp ones?

We want to compare central AuAu collisions to pp collisions.

$$R_{AB} = \frac{1}{T_{AB}(b)} \frac{d^2 N^{AB} / dp_T d\eta}{d^2 \sigma^{pp} / dp_T d\eta}$$

It measures the deviation of the AB collision at a given centrality from a superposition of pp collision.

If at high  $p_T$ :

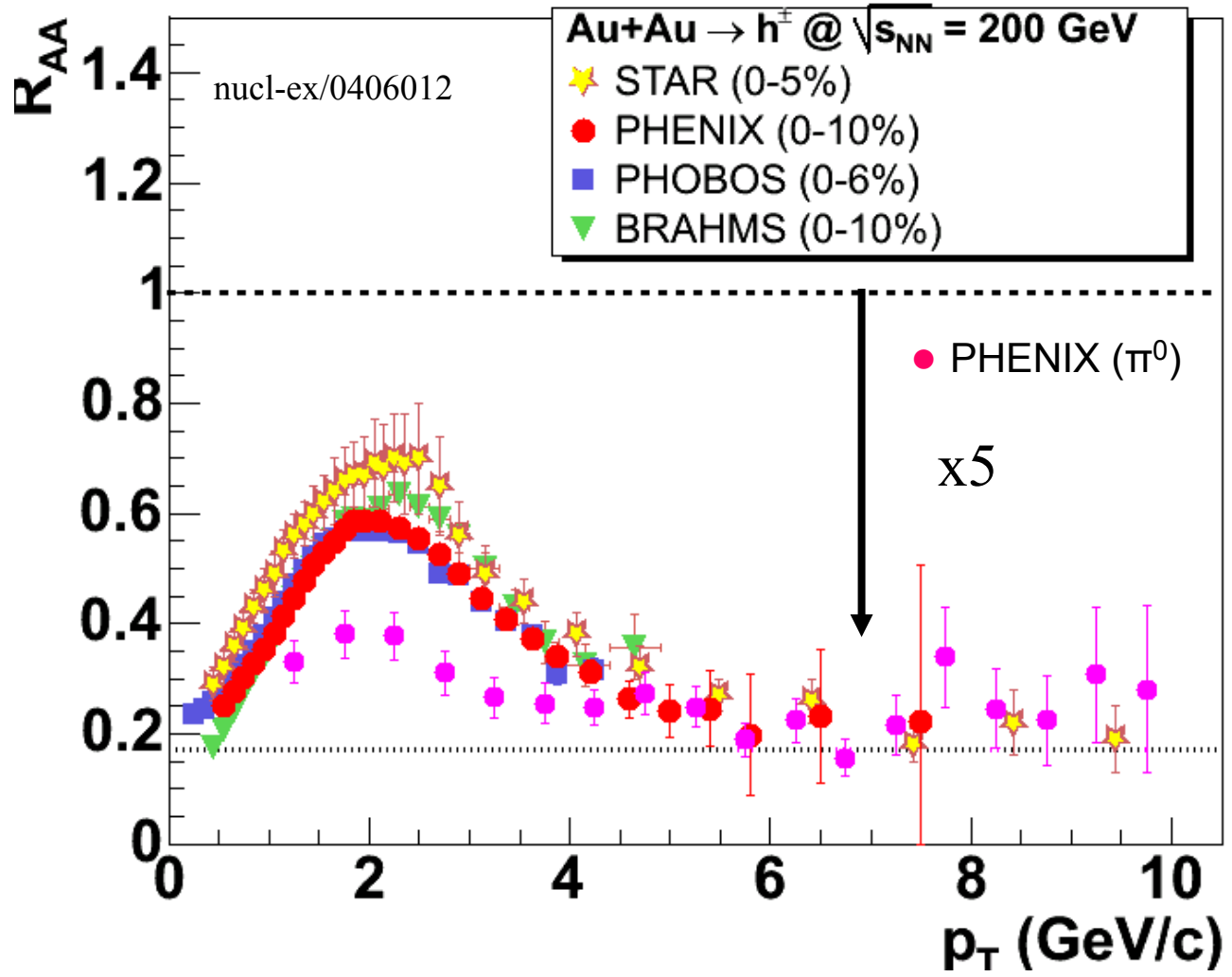
$R_{AB} = 1 \rightarrow$  no nuclear effects

$R_{AB} > 1 \rightarrow$  enhanced hadron production in AuAu

$R_{AB} < 1 \rightarrow$  suppressed hadron production in AuAu



# $R_{AA}$

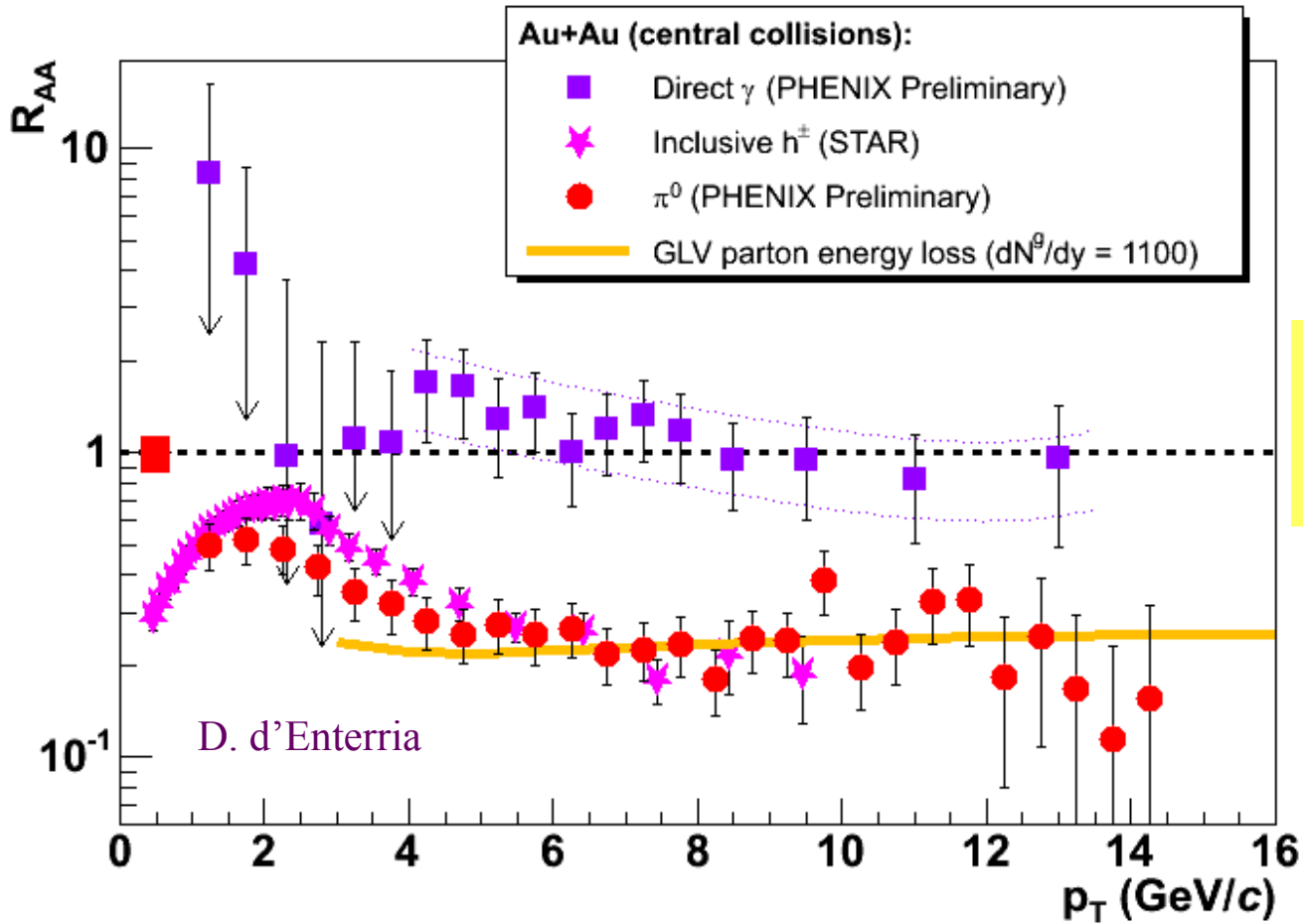


Strong high- $p_T$  hadron suppression





# But photons...



...are not suppressed

Interaction in a dense colored medium?



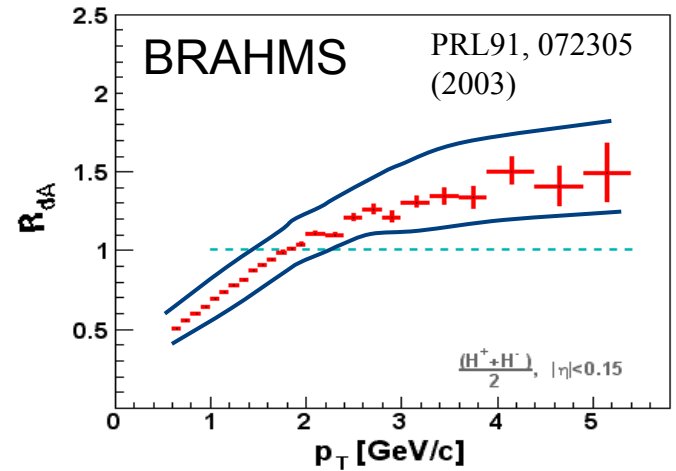
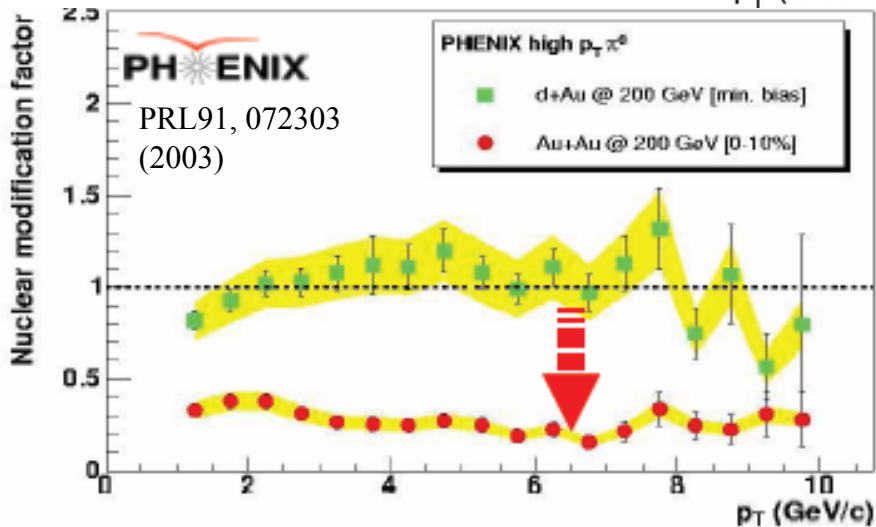
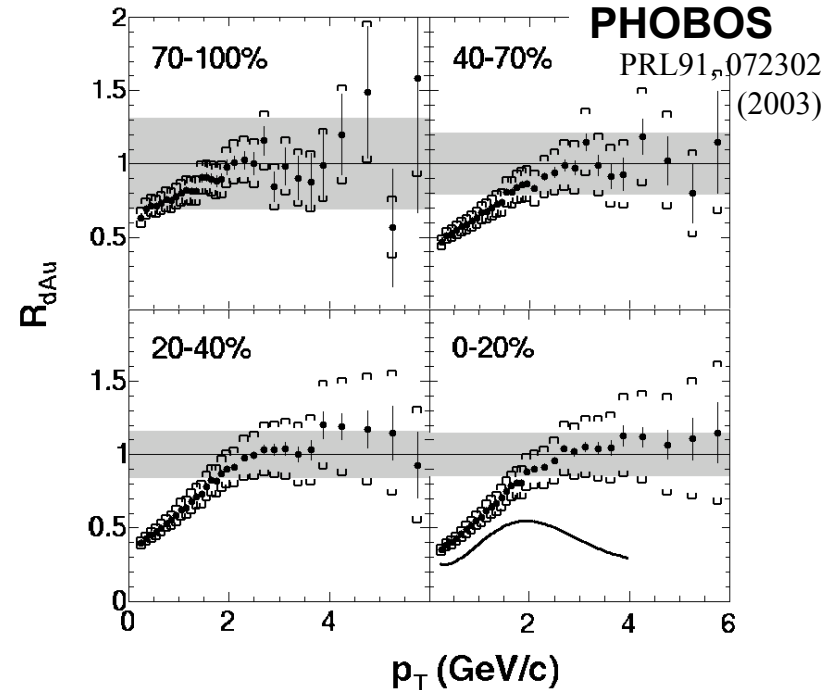
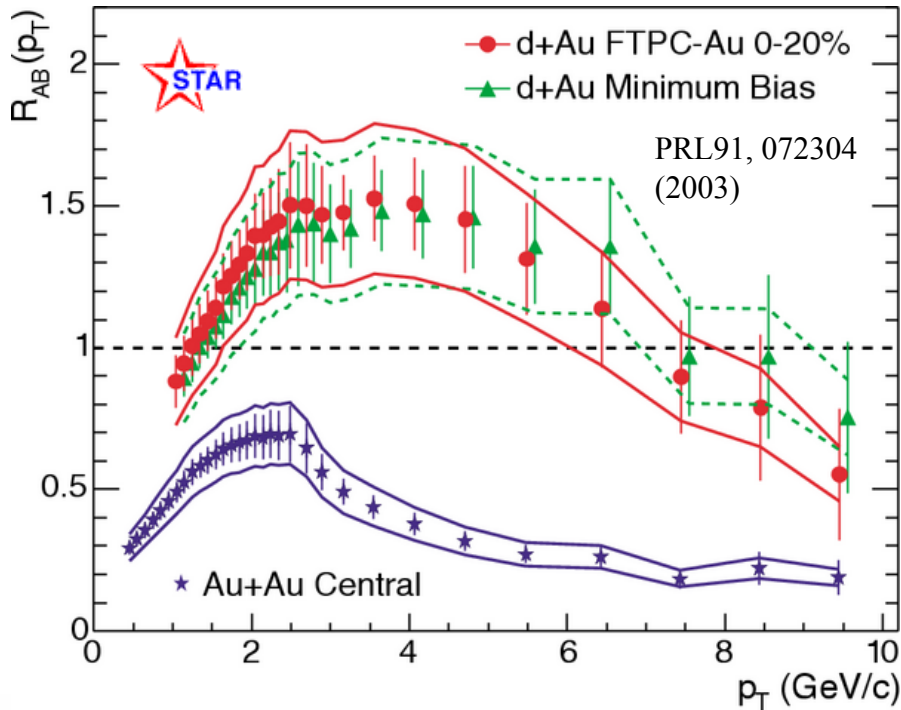
# Why dAu?

- High  $p_T$  suppression may be a result of:
  - **initial state effects** prior to hard scattering (such as saturation of gluon densities in the incoming nuclei) → **suppression would also be seen in dAu collisions**
  - **final state effects** due to interaction of partons with a dense medium → **suppression would not be observed in dAu collisions**

dAu: the control experiment



# $R_{AB}$ in dAu

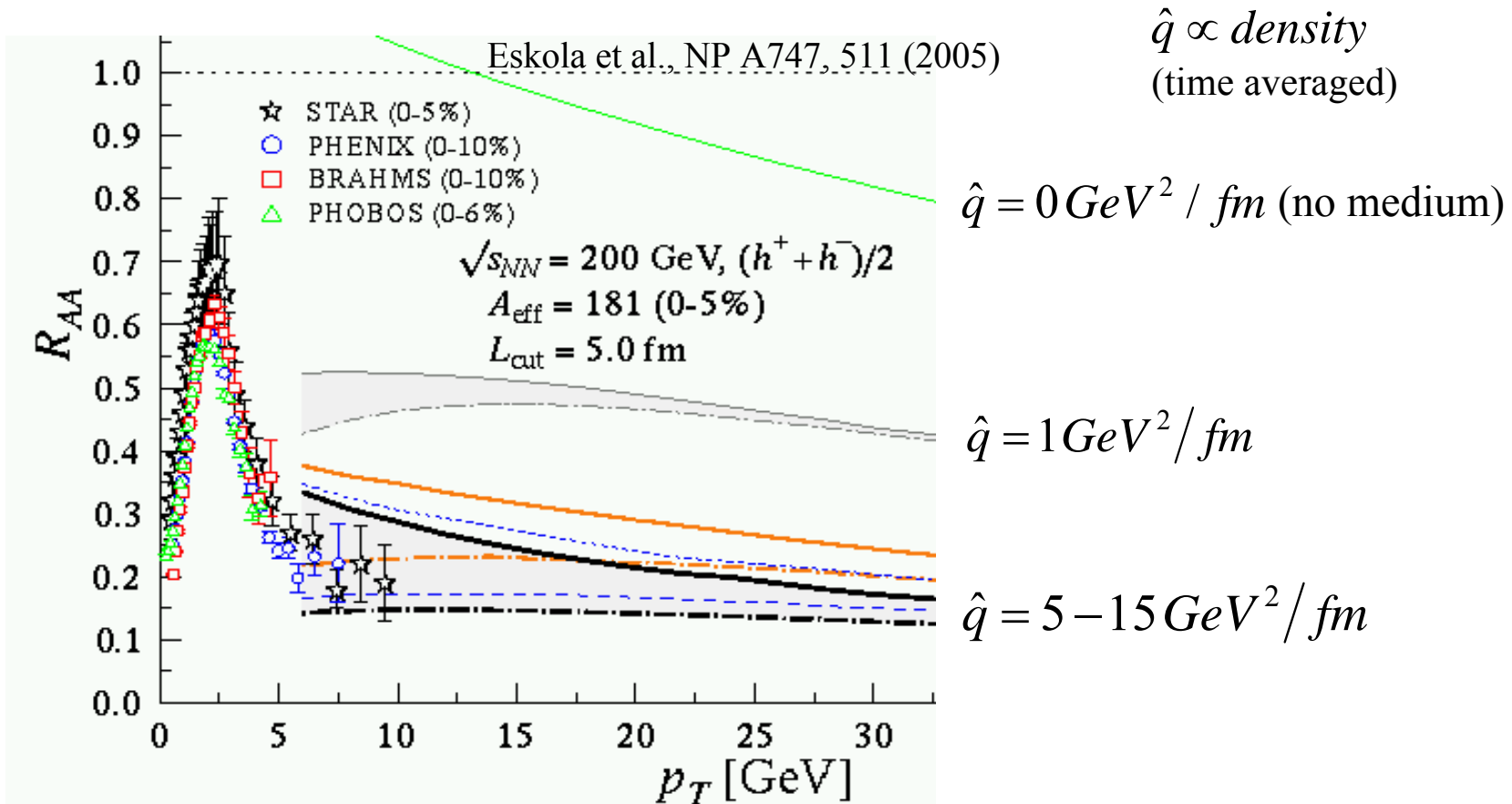




# What do we learn from the suppression?



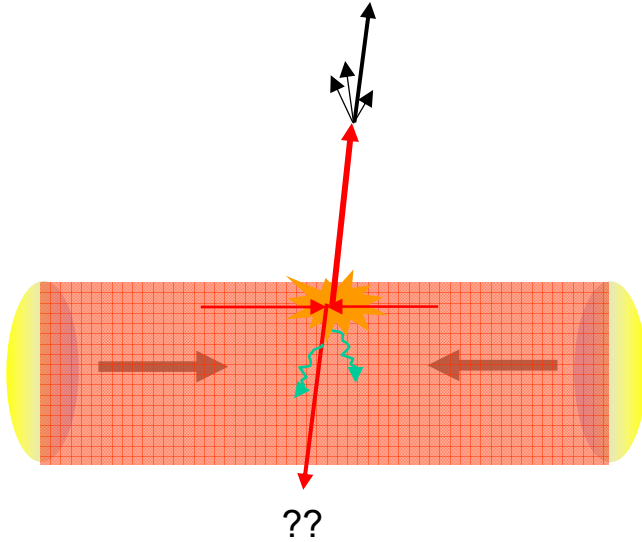
- It's a final state effect
- pQCD with energy loss calculations require initial density  $\sim 30\text{-}50$  times cold nuclear matter density



Suppression supplies a lower limit on the energy density

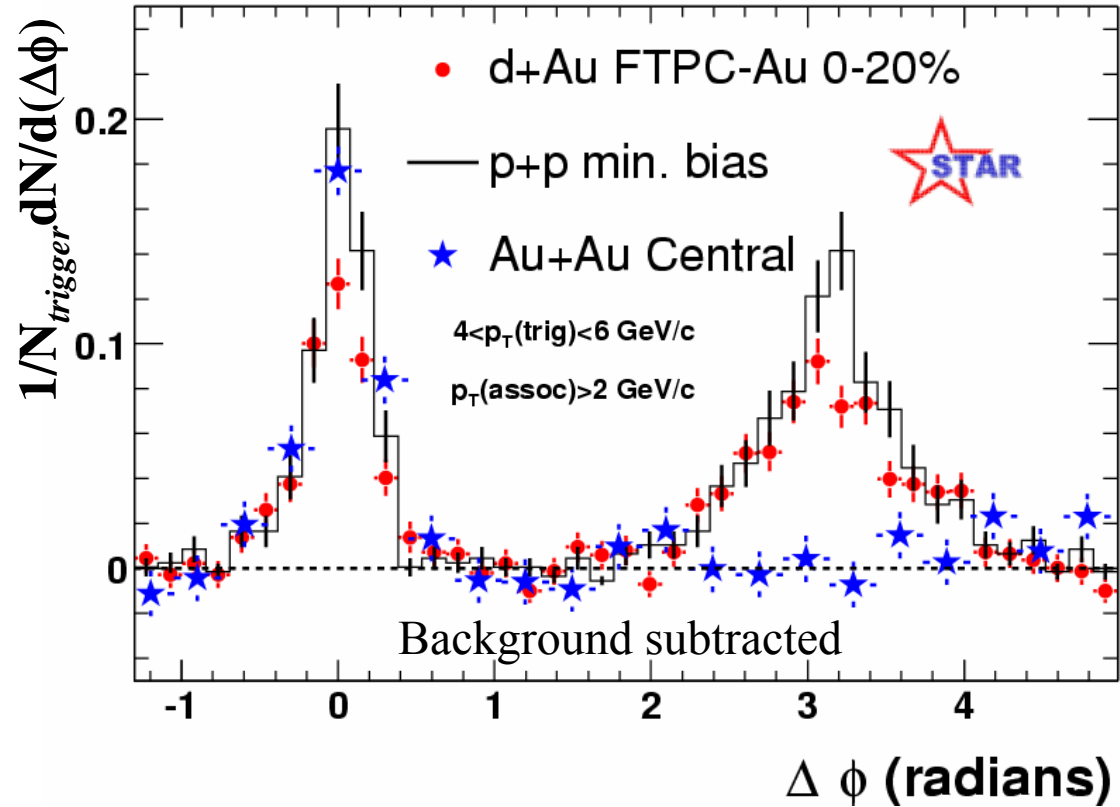


# Back-to-back correlations



$$p_{T \text{ assoc.}} < p_{T \text{ trigger}}$$

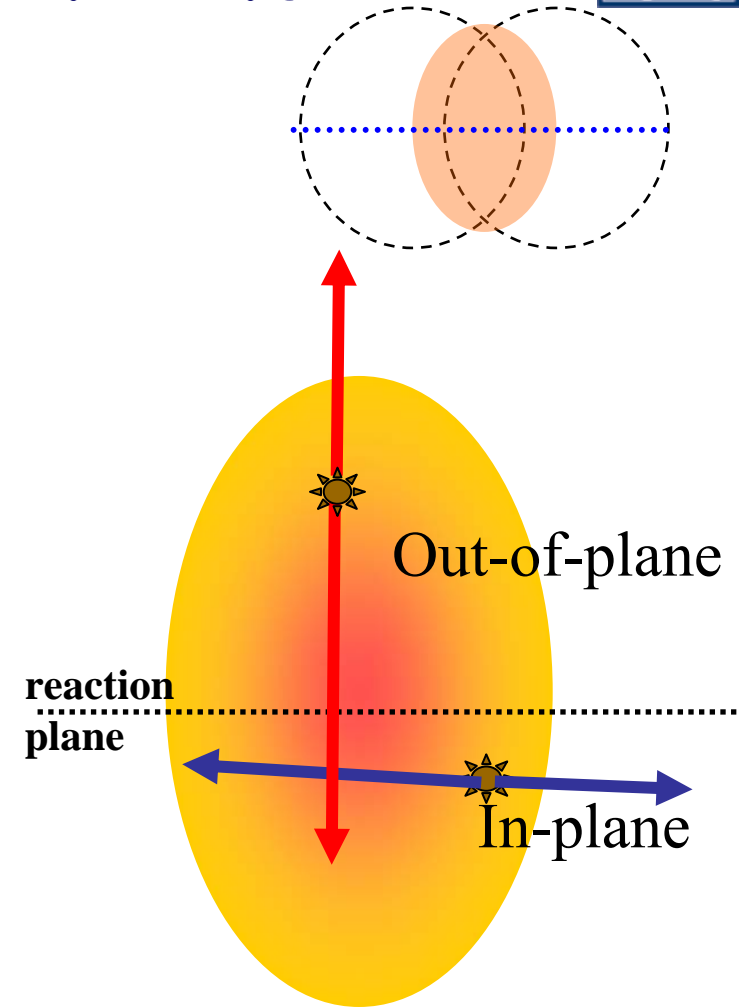
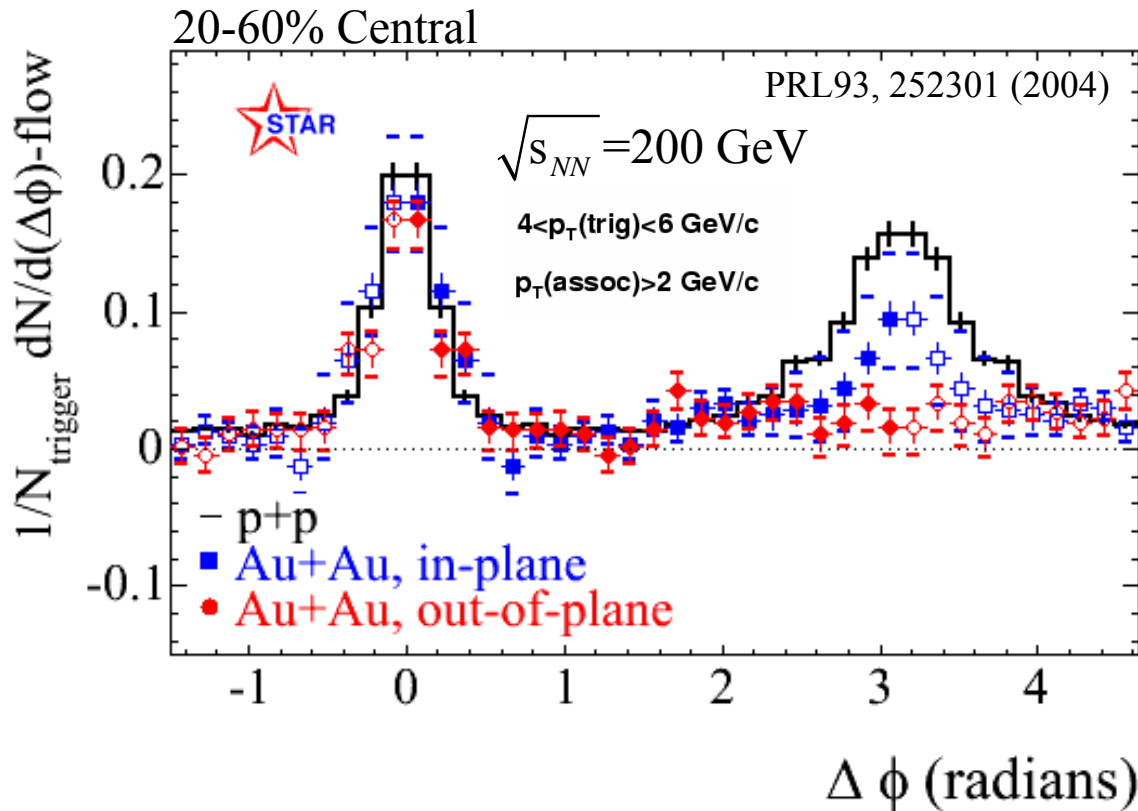
$$D(\Delta\phi) \equiv \frac{1}{N_{\text{trigger}}} \frac{dN}{d(\Delta\phi)}$$



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# Path length dependence



Clear indication of in-medium path length dependence of the hadron suppression

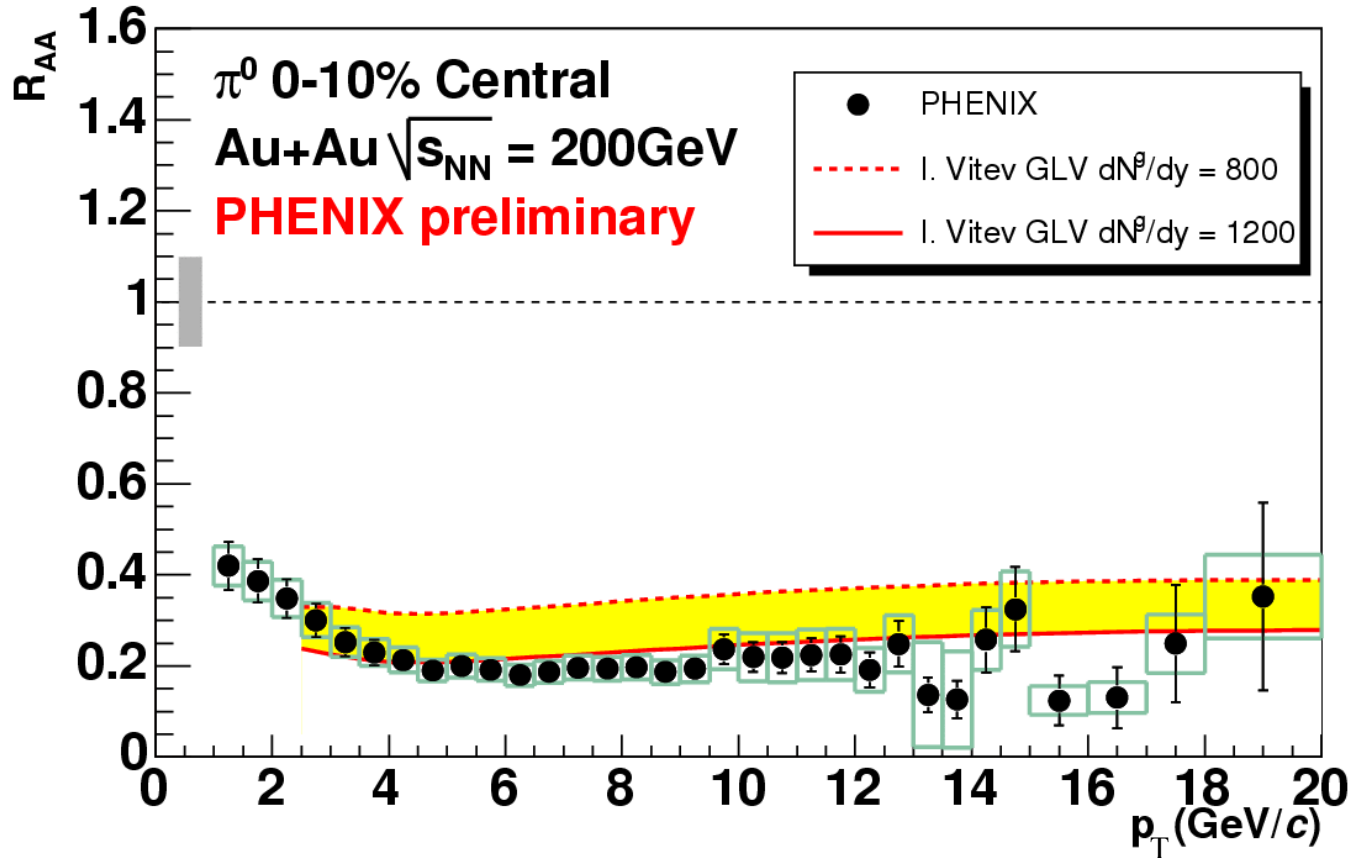


# What we know until here...

- Modification of jet fragmentation from interaction of high energy partons with a dense (colored) medium prior to hadronization
  - high- $p_T$  hadron suppression (factor of 5)
    - prompt photons are not suppressed
  - high- $p_T$  recoiling jet suppressed
    - in-medium path length dependence
- pQCD -based calculations with medium-induced energy loss
  - density of the medium is high  
(30-50 times the one of cold nuclear matter)



# $R_{AA}$ independence of $p_T$

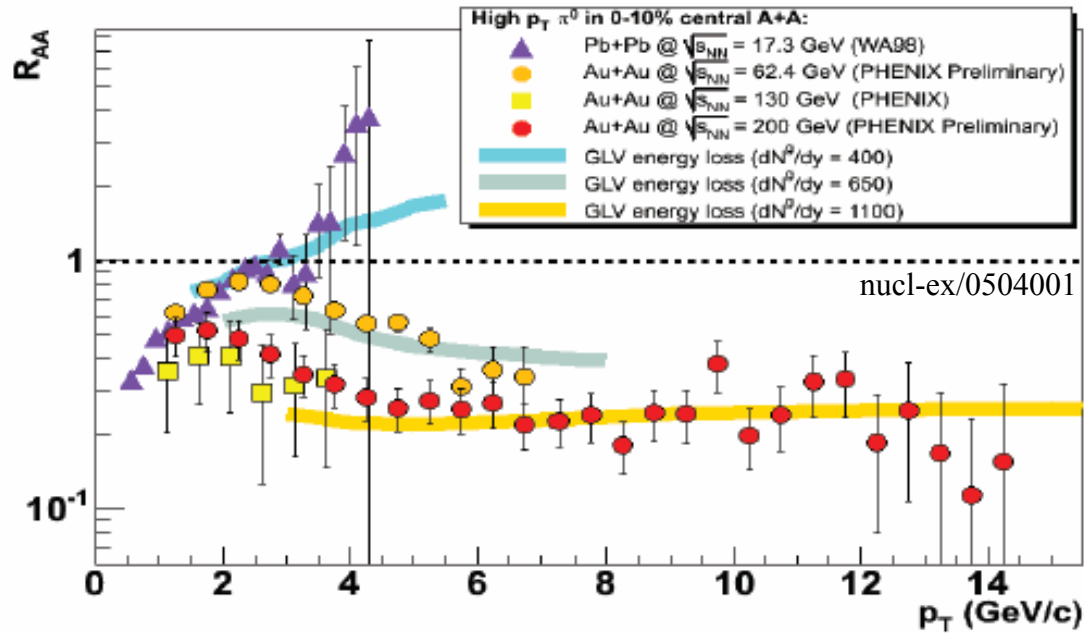


up to 20 GeV/c!





# Energy dependence - $R_{AA}$

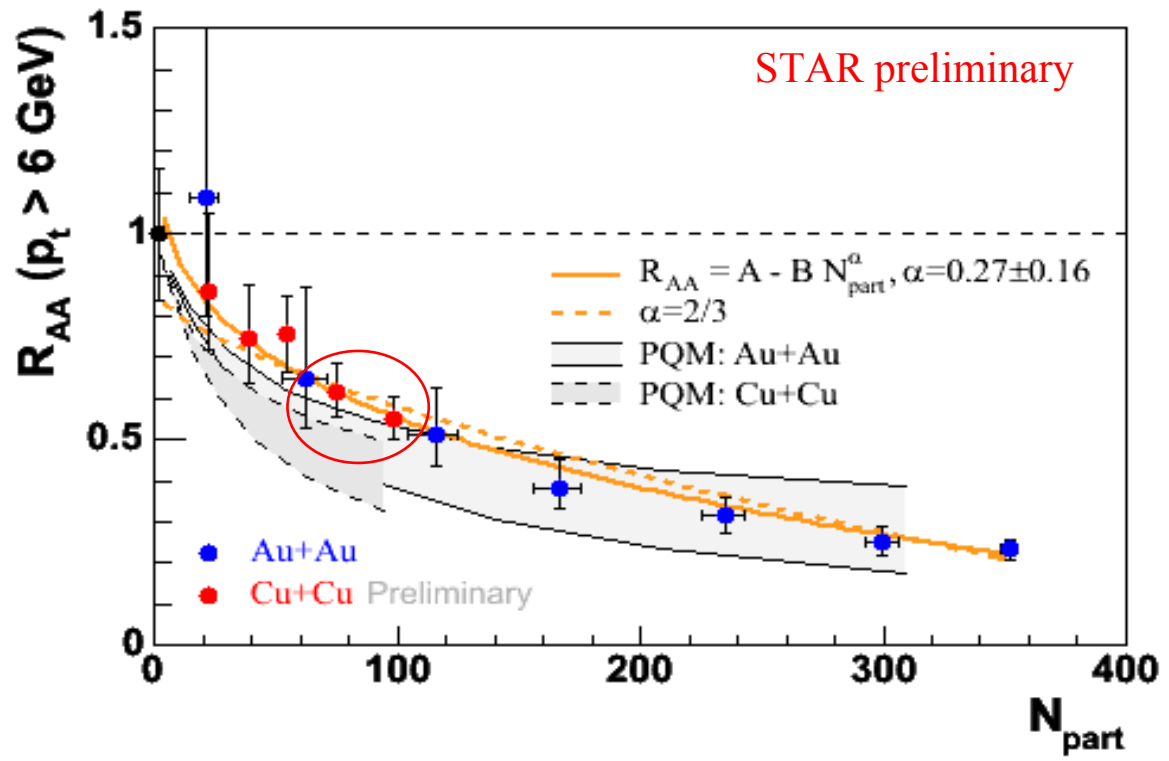


- Suppression observed for central AuAu at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 62.4$  GeV
- Increasing suppression with  $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$  consistent with increasing initial parton densities and longer duration of the dense medium



# $R_{AA}$ scales with $N_{part}$

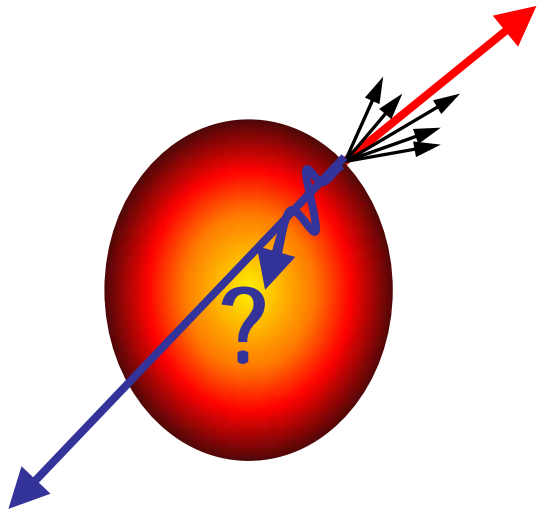
Suppression observed for central CuCu - "Testing" the L-dependence of  $\Delta E$



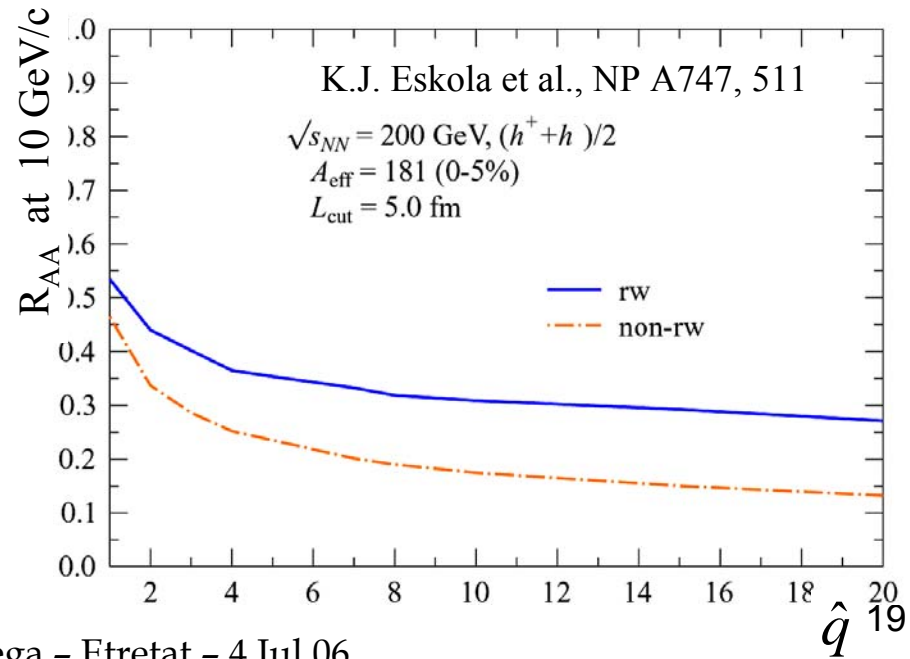
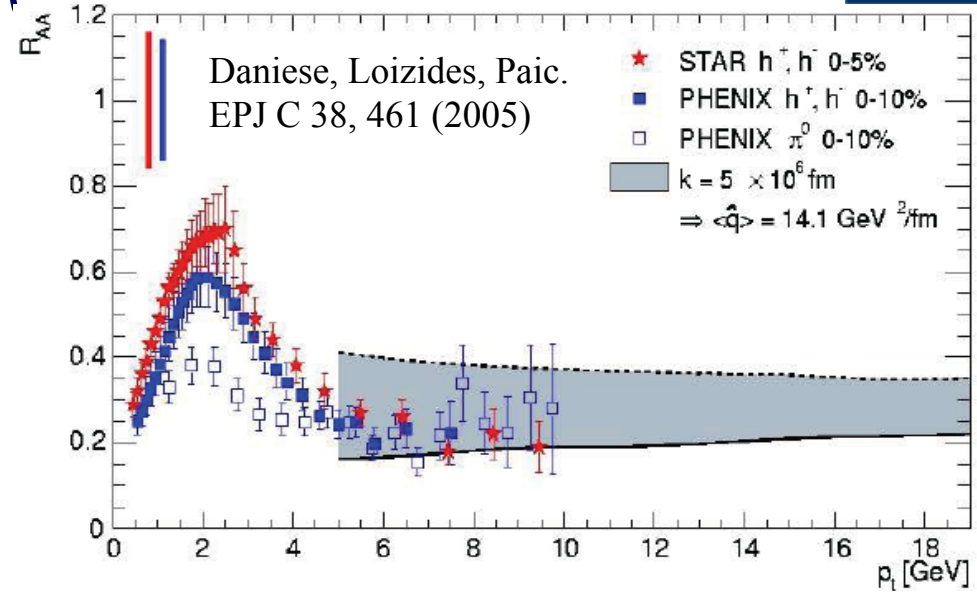
- CuCu adds significant precision at  $N_{part} \sim 100$
- Fit to  $N_{part}^\alpha$  prefers  $\alpha \sim 1/3$  ( $\alpha \sim 2/3$  not completely excluded)



# Limitations of $R_{AA}$



- Surface emission: leading hadrons preferentially arise from the surface
- $\hat{q} > 5 \text{ GeV}^2/\text{fm}$ : limited sensitivity to the region of highest energy density
- Need **more penetrating probes**





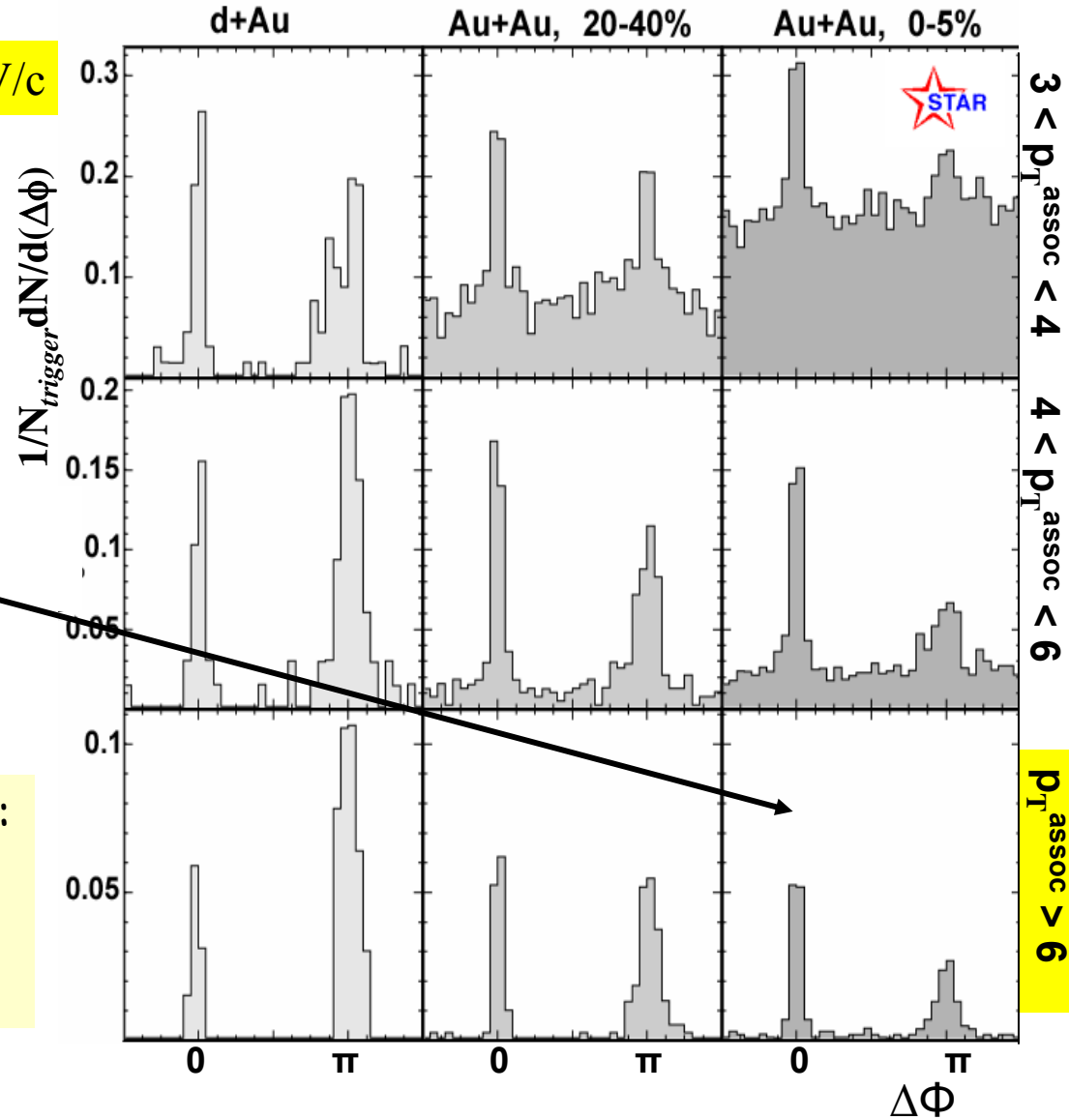
# Azimuthal correlations at higher $p_T$



$8 < p_T^{\text{trigger}} < 15 \text{ GeV}/c$

- Higher associated  $p_T$
- Beyond "intermediate  $p_T$ " and into fragmentation region
- Combinatorial background is negligible

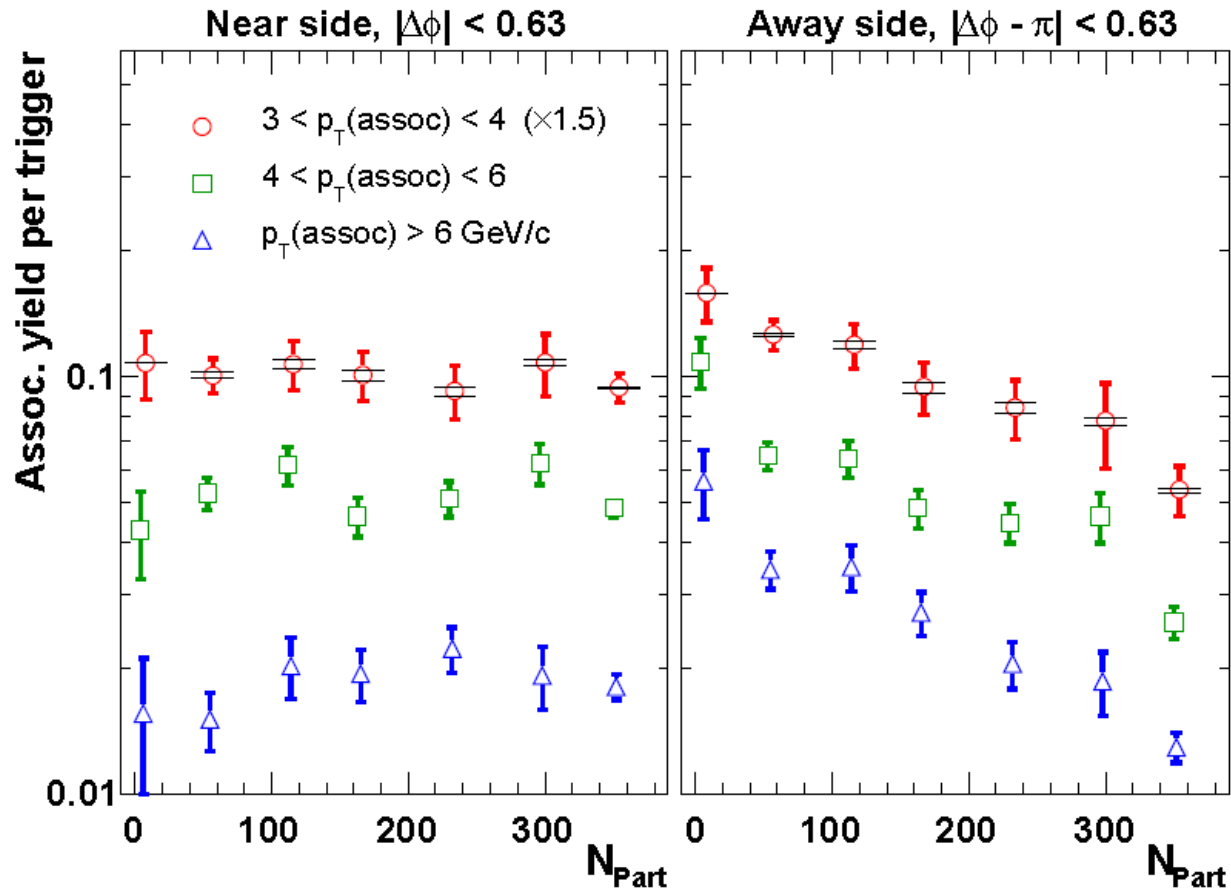
- Clear, unambiguous recoil peak: dijets in central collisions
- Away-side yield is suppressed but finite and measurable



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# Jet yields at higher $p_T$

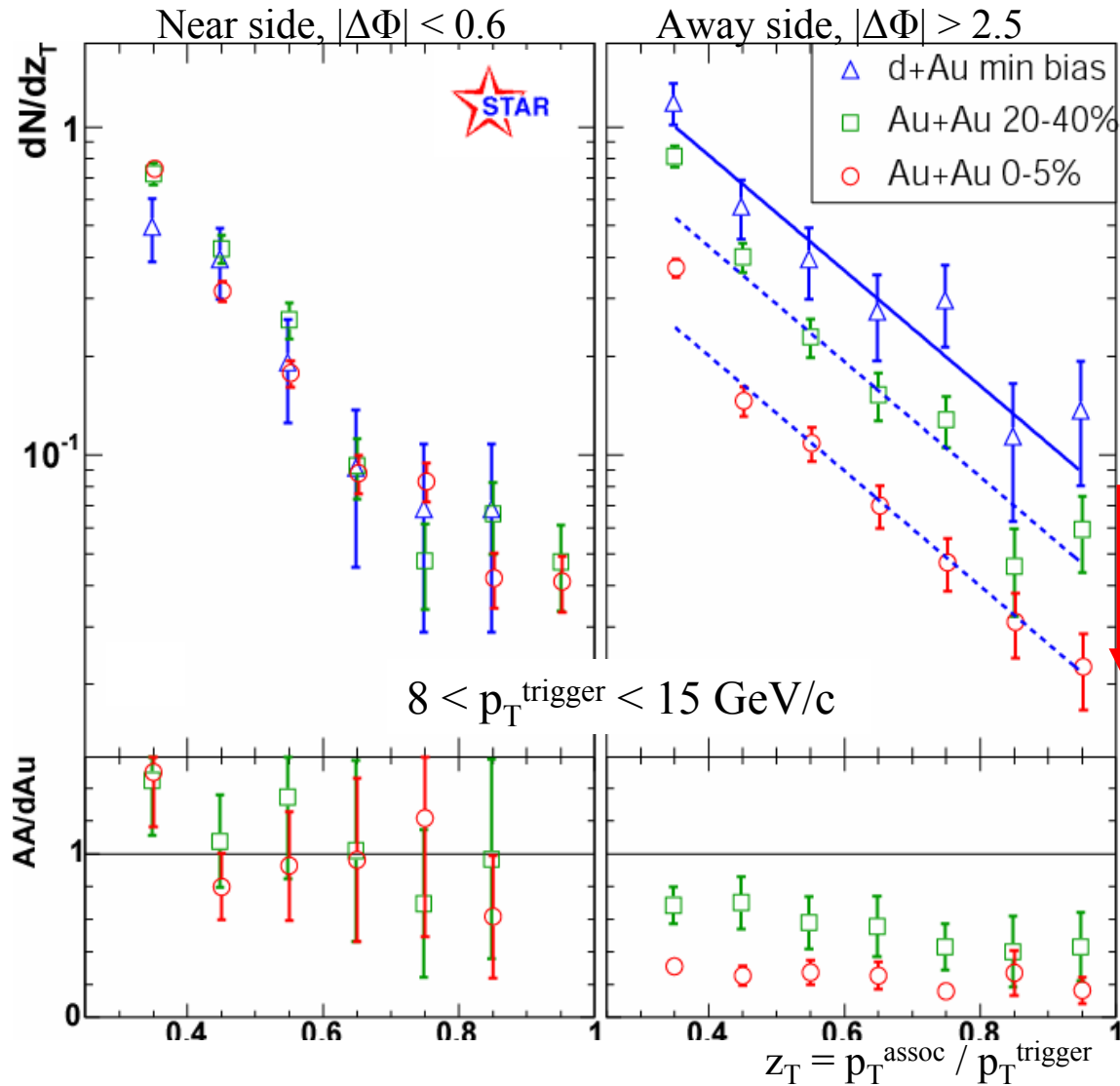


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- Near side: no significant suppression - little centrality dependence
- Away-side: suppressed - suppression pattern independent of  $p_T^{\text{assoc}}$



# Fragmentation function $z_T$



- Near-side: no system size dependence
- Away-side: similar shapes for the three systems
- Yield strongly suppressed in central AuAu (to level of  $R_{AA}$ )

Consistent with calculations for medium-modified fragmentation due to energy loss

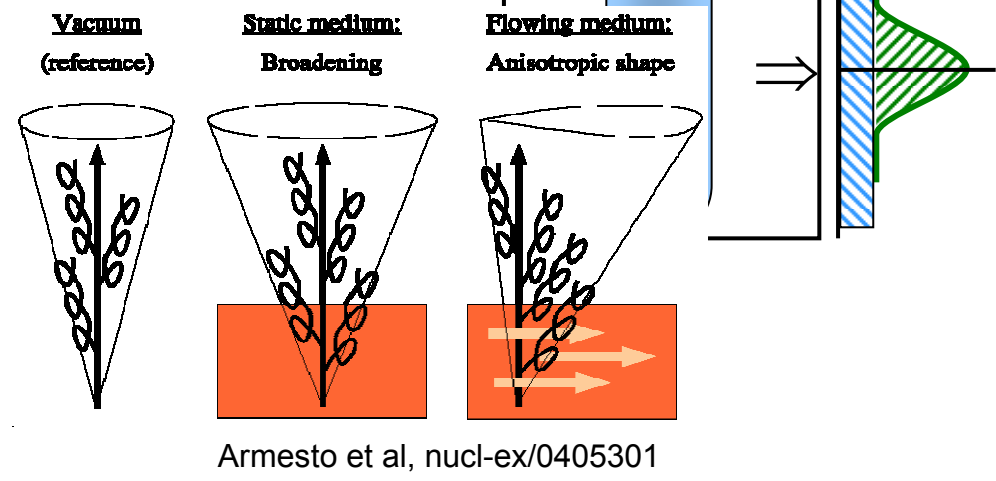
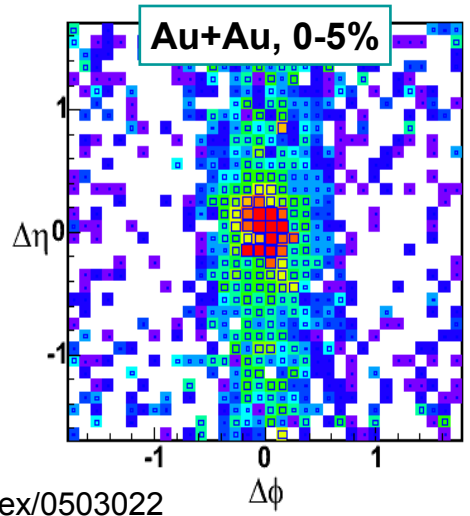
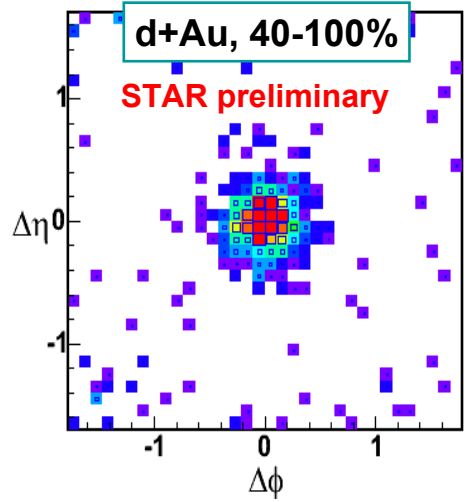
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# $\Delta\eta$ - $\Delta\phi$ near-side correlations

Additional near-side long range correlations in  $\Delta\eta$  ("ridge like" correlations) observed.

$3 < p_{T, \text{trig}} < 6 \text{ GeV}$   
 $2 < p_{T, \text{assoc}} < p_{T, \text{trig}}$



- a) Parton radiates energy before fragmenting and couples to the longitudinal flow (Armesto et al, nucl-ex/0405301)
- b) Parton recombination (Chiu & Hwa Phys. Rev. C72:034903,2005)
- c) Radial flow + jet-queching (Voloshin nucl-th/0312065)

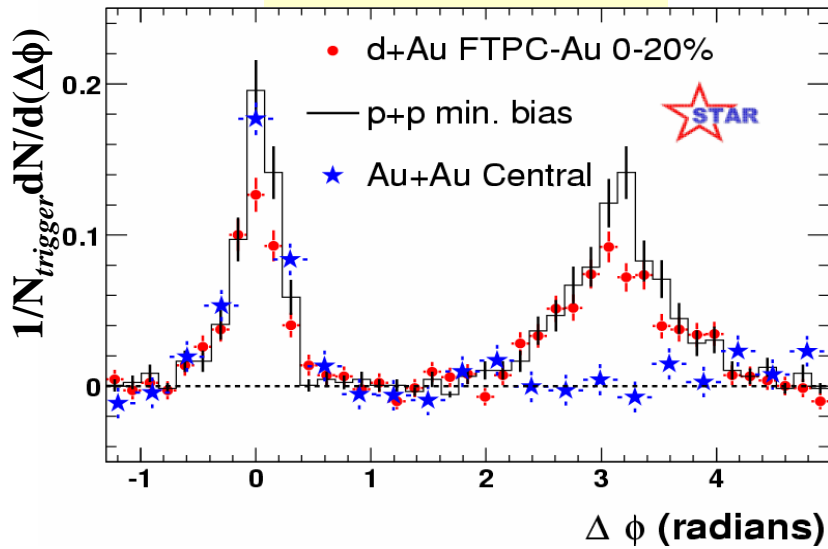
We might be seeing a direct effect of the jet coupling to the expanding medium, i.e. the effect of medium-induced energy loss on the jet



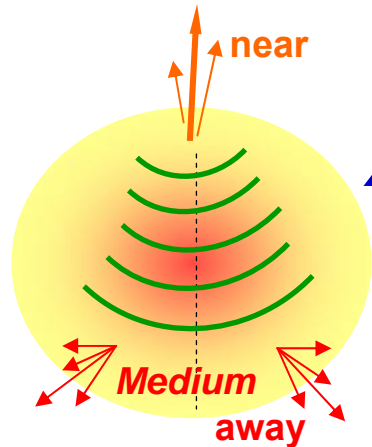
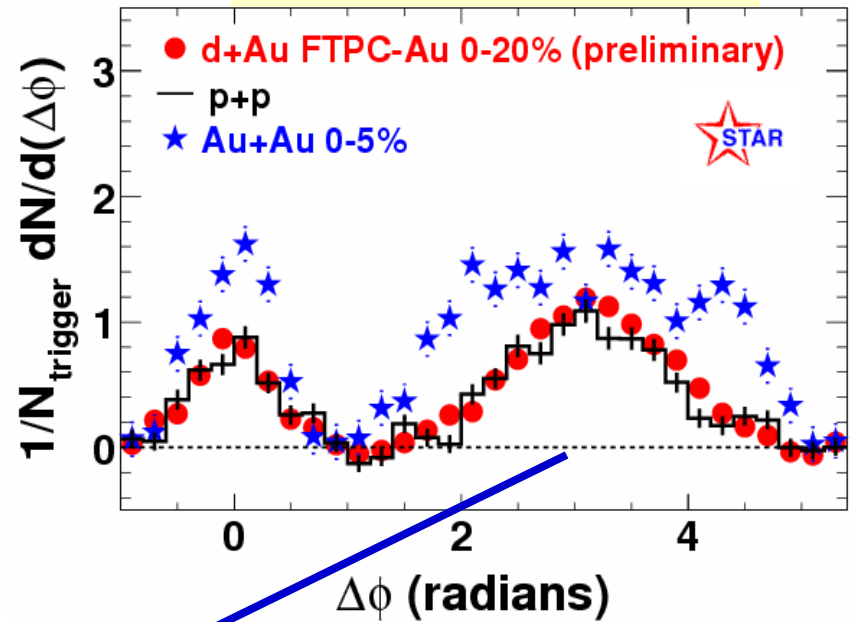
# Lowering $p_T^{\text{assoc.}}$

$4.0 < p_T^{\text{trigger}} < 6.0 \text{ GeV}/c$

$2 < p_T^{\text{assoc.}} < p_T^{\text{trigger}}$



$0.15 < p_T^{\text{assoc.}} < 4.0 \text{ GeV}/c$



Mach cone?

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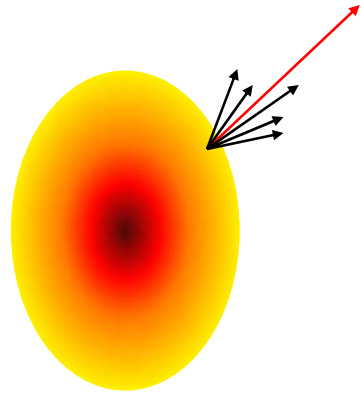




# Full jet reconstruction at LHC

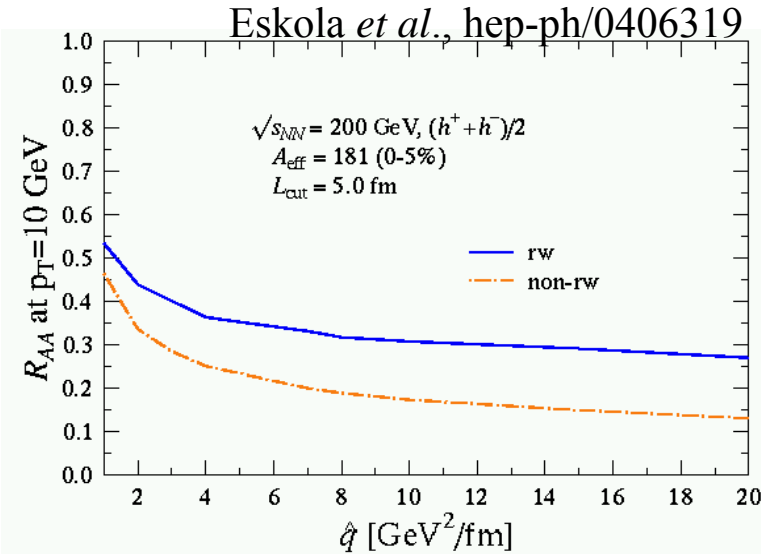


## Leading Particle

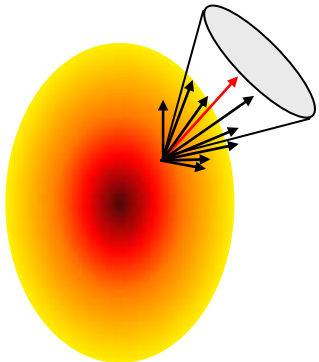


Leading particle becomes fragile as a probe

- Surface emission:
  - Small sensitivity of  $R_{AA}$  to medium properties.
- For increasing in medium path length  $L$ , the momentum of the leading particle is less and less correlated with the original parton 4-momentum.



## Reconstructed Jet



Ideally, the analysis of reconstructed jets will allow us to measure the original parton 4-momentum and the jet structure.

→ Study the properties of the medium through modifications of the jet structure:

- Decrease of particles with high  $z$ , increase of particles with low  $z$
- Broadening of the momentum distribution perpendicular to jet axis

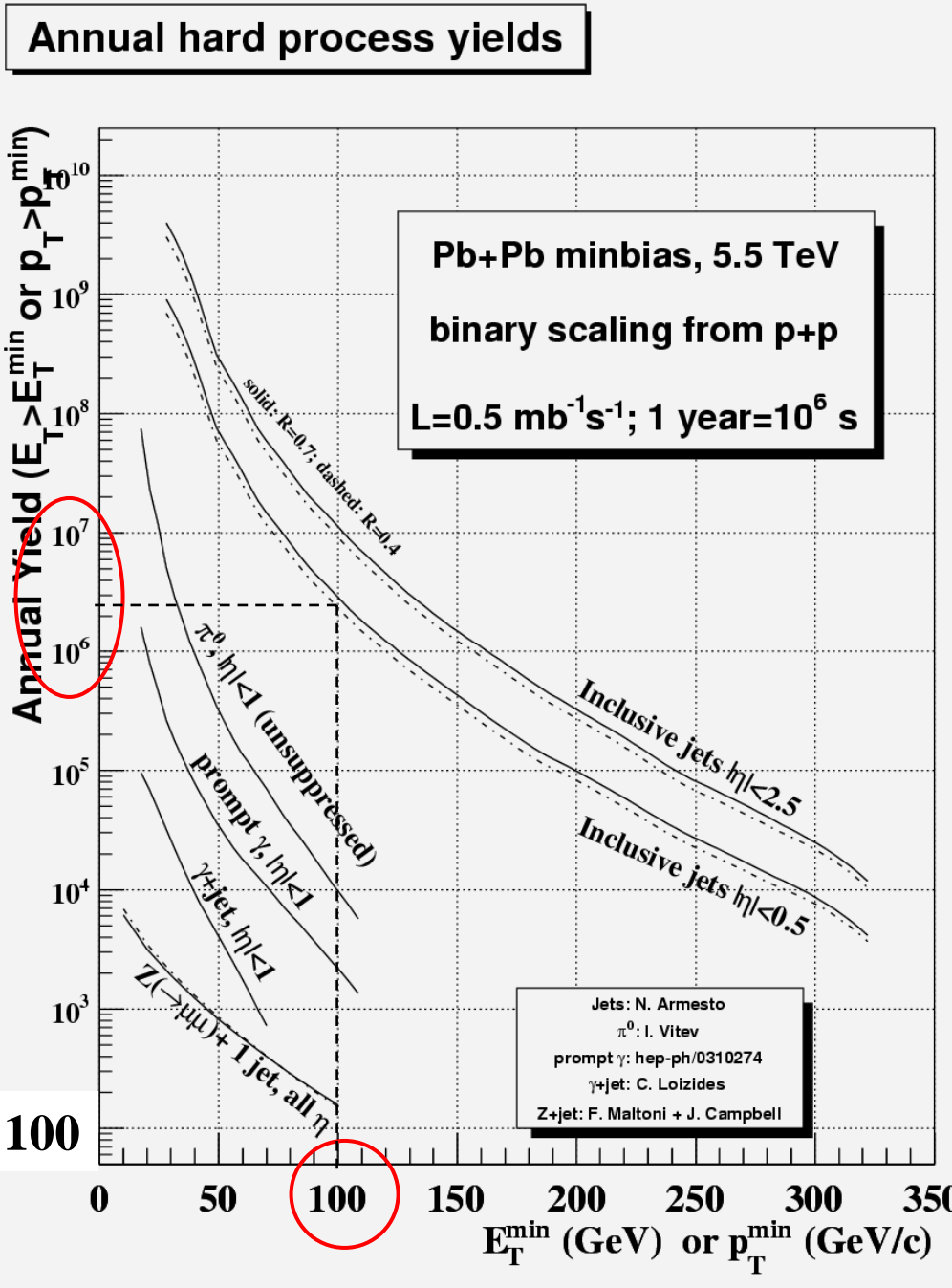
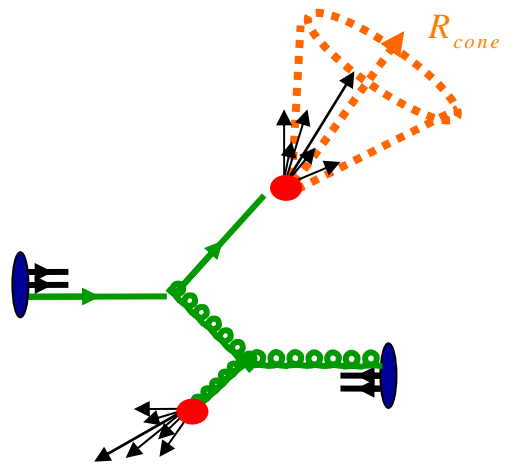
$$z = \frac{p_T}{E_T^{\text{jet}}}$$



# Jet rates at the LHC

Huge jet statistics from  $E_T \sim 10 \text{ GeV}$  to  $E_T \sim 100 \text{ GeV}$

- Jets with  $E_T > 50 \text{ GeV}$  will allow full reconstruction of hadronic jets, even in the underlying heavy-ion environment.
- Multijet production per event extends to  $\sim 20 \text{ GeV}$





# Summary

- Evidence for partonic energy loss in nuclear collisions has been seen at RHIC.
  - Suppression of high- $p_T$  hadrons in AuAu and CuCu (not in pp or dAu)
  - Suppression of leading recoiling hadron in back-to-back correlations
- Measurements are consistent with pQCD-based energy loss calculations and provide a lower bound to the initial density.
- $R_{AA}$  scales with  $N_{\text{part}}$  (AuAu and CuCu)
- $R_{AA}(p_T)$ :  $p_T$ -independent up to 20 GeV/c as expected by radiative energy loss models
- Reappearance of away-side jet at high  $p_T$
- Interesting Physics ahead
  - Full reconstruction of high energy jets at LHC



# BACKUP SLIDES

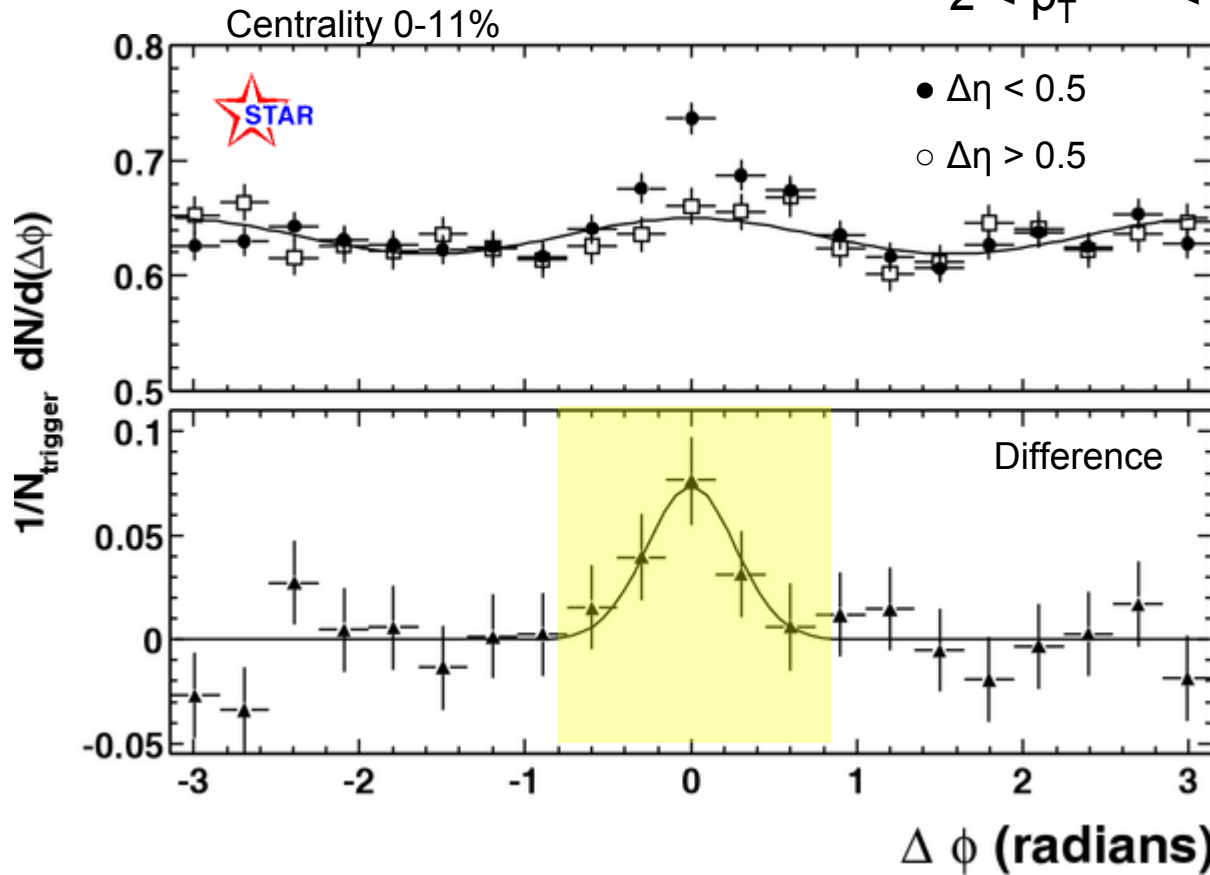


# First indications of jets...

$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 130 \text{ GeV}$

$4 < p_{T \text{ trigger}} < 6 \text{ GeV}/c$

$2 < p_{T \text{ assoc}} < p_{T \text{ trigger}}$



$$\frac{1}{N_{\text{trigger}}} \frac{dN}{d(\Delta\phi)} = \frac{1}{N_{\text{trigger}}} \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \int d\Delta\eta N(\Delta\phi, \Delta\eta)$$

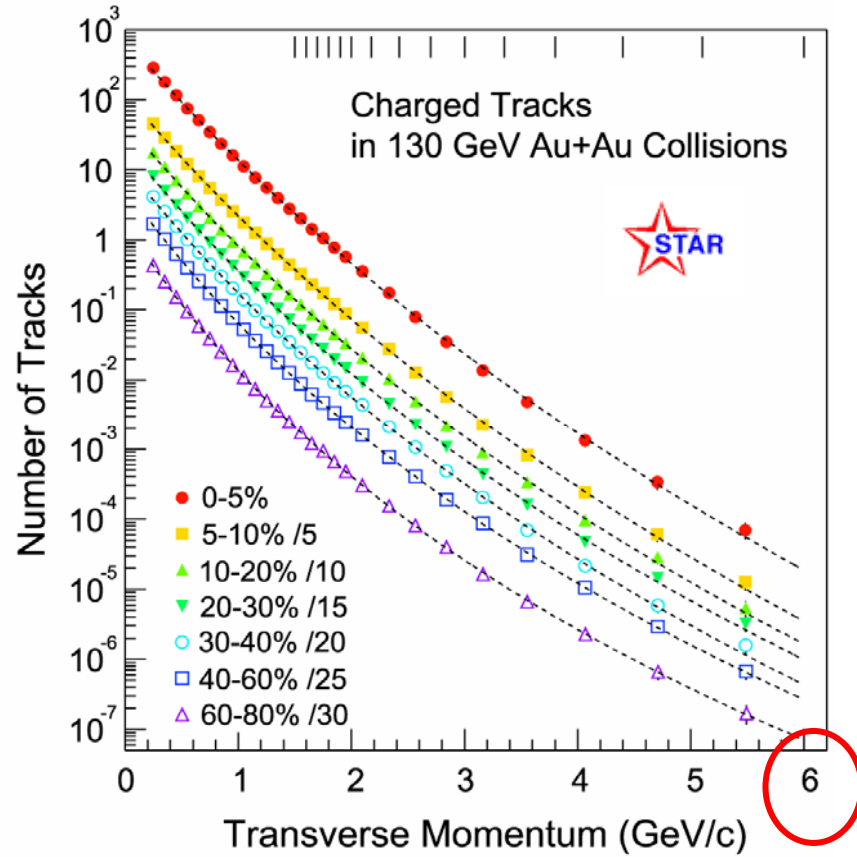
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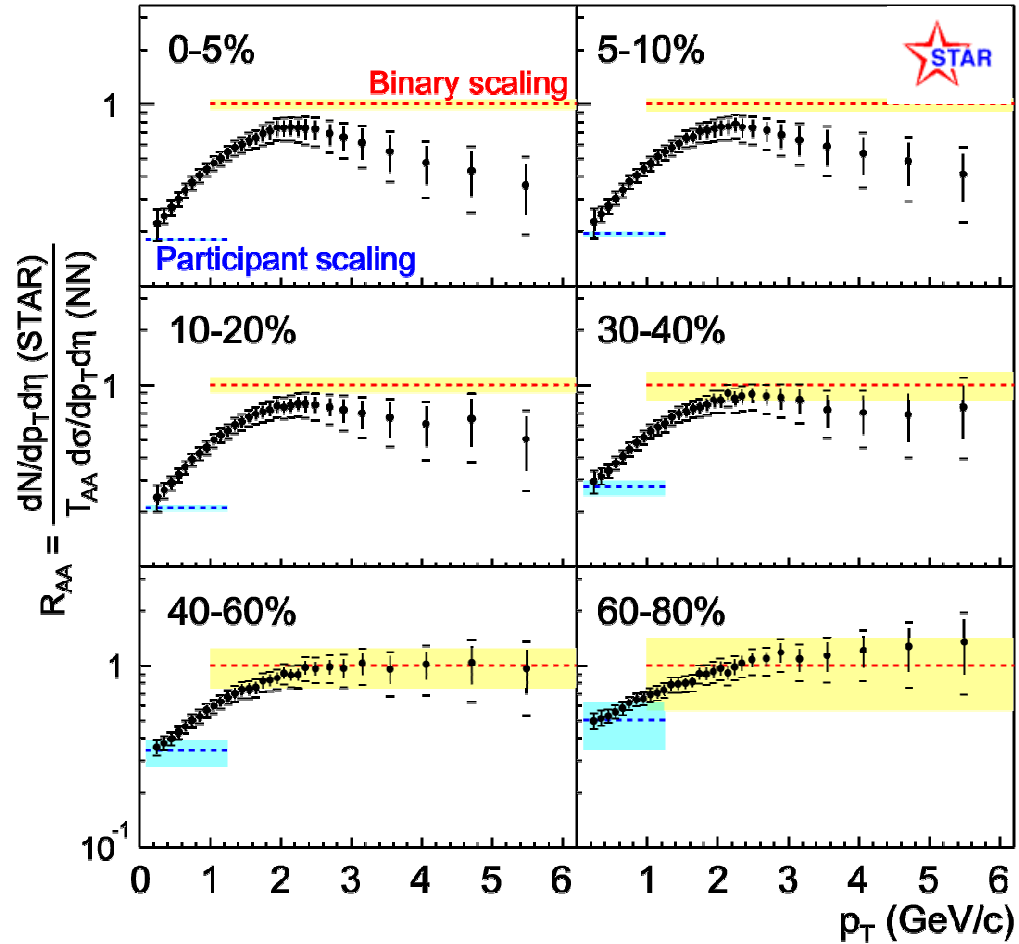
# ...and of hadron suppression



$$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 130 \text{ GeV}$$



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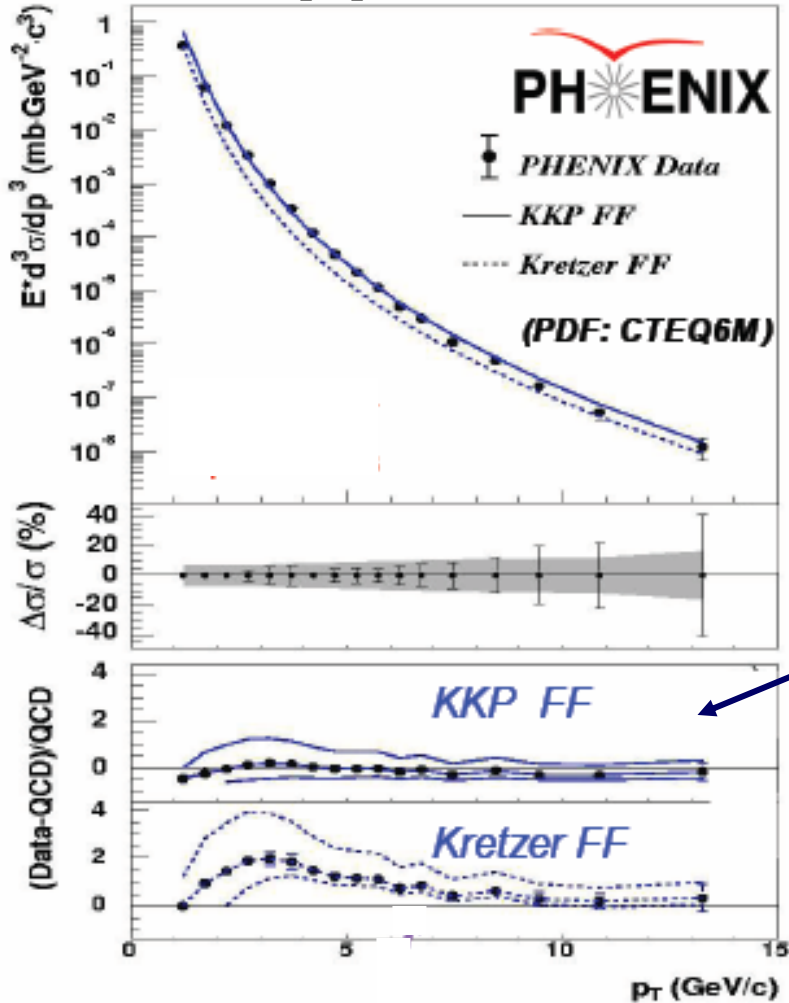


(Reference: Scaled pp from UA1)



# pp - baseline

$$p+p \rightarrow \pi^0 X$$



high- $p_T$  production in pp provides the baseline "vacuum" reference to heavy-ion to study the QCD medium properties

• pp results agree with NLO pQCD theoretical calculations for  $p_T \gtrsim 5 \text{ GeV}/c$

• reference spectrum is well understood

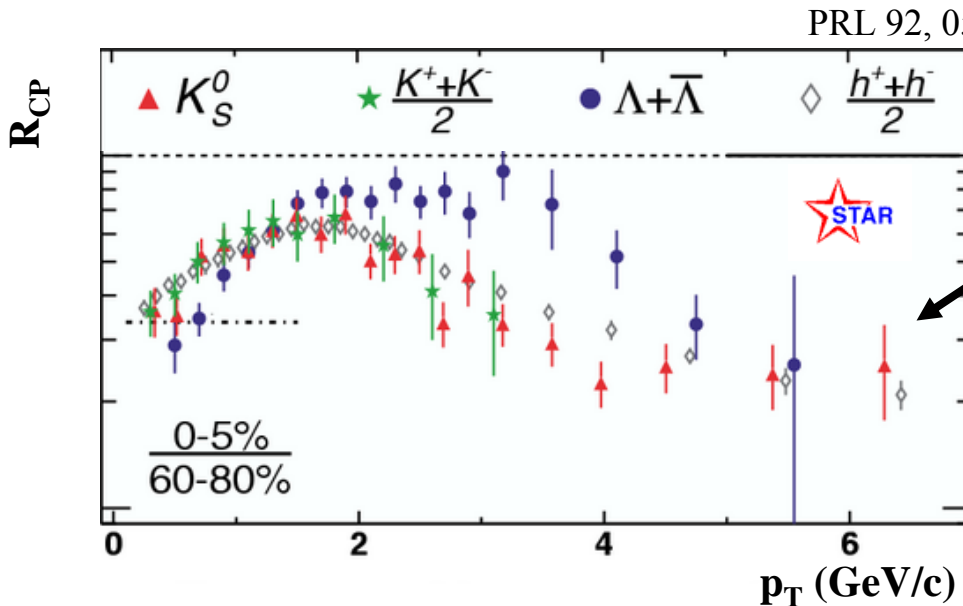
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# "Higher" $p_T$ , why?

- Intermediate  $p_T$  region ( $2 < p_T < 5 \text{ GeV}/c$ )
  - mesons are more suppressed than baryons
  - elliptic flow  $v_2$  larger for baryons than for mesons
  - this baryon/meson distinction does not depend on the mass

hadronization via coalescence or recombination of constituents quarks

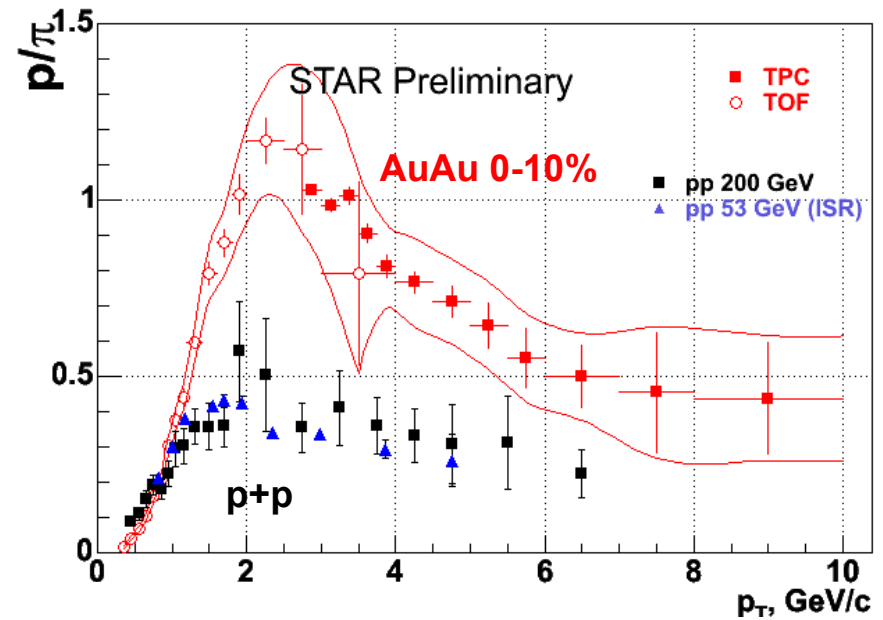
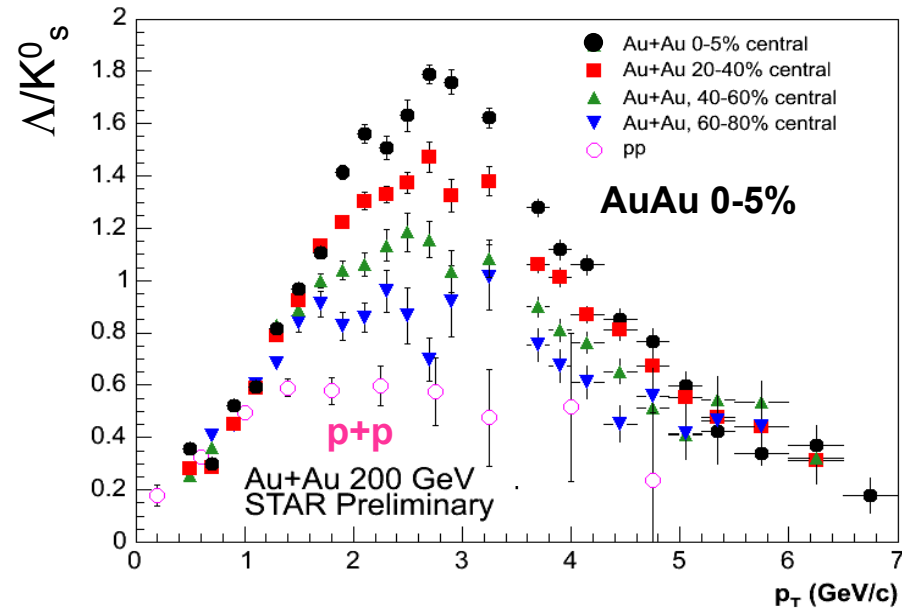


Indications that the dependences on hadron species disappeared for  $p_T > 5 \text{ GeV}/c$ ?





# Hadron production



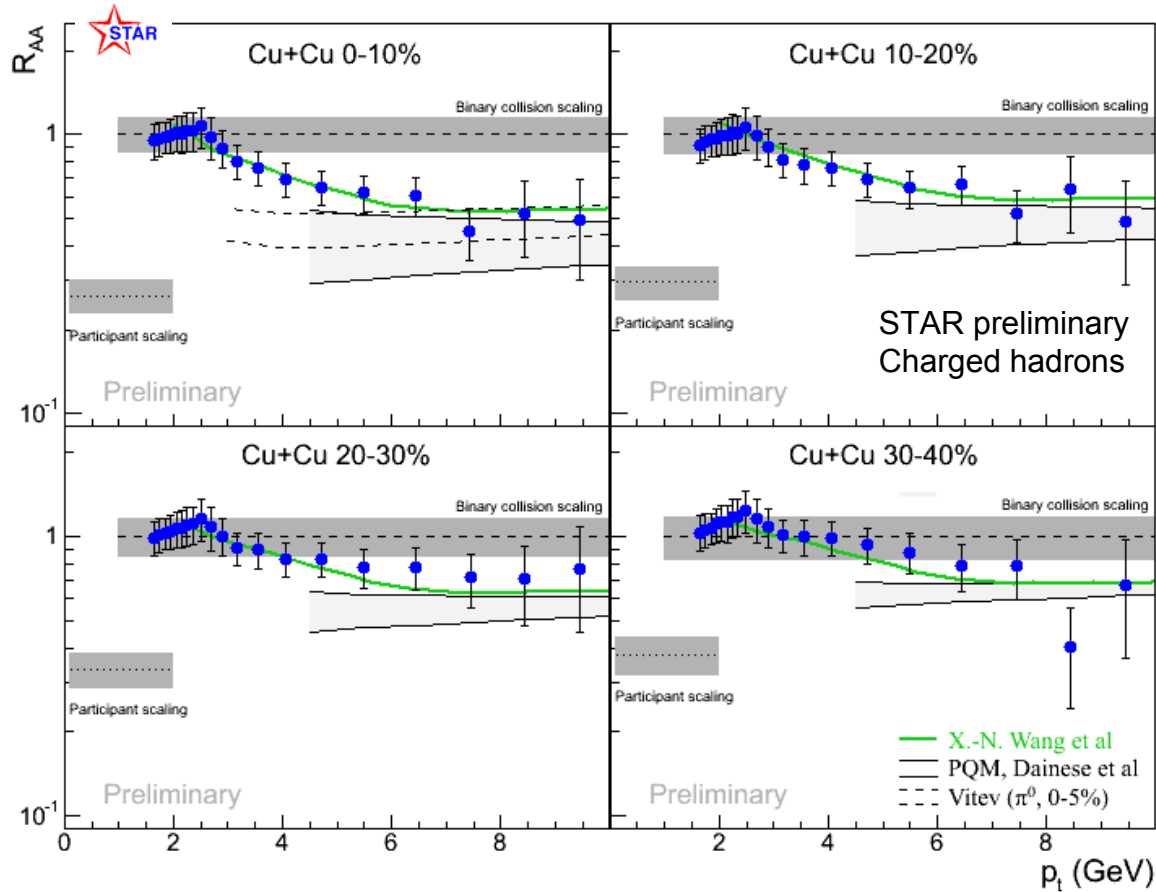
$p_T < \sim 5$  GeV/c:

- deviation from vacuum fragmentation
- recombination picture

$p_T > 5$  GeV/c: fragmentation dominates



# $R_{AA}$ for CuCu

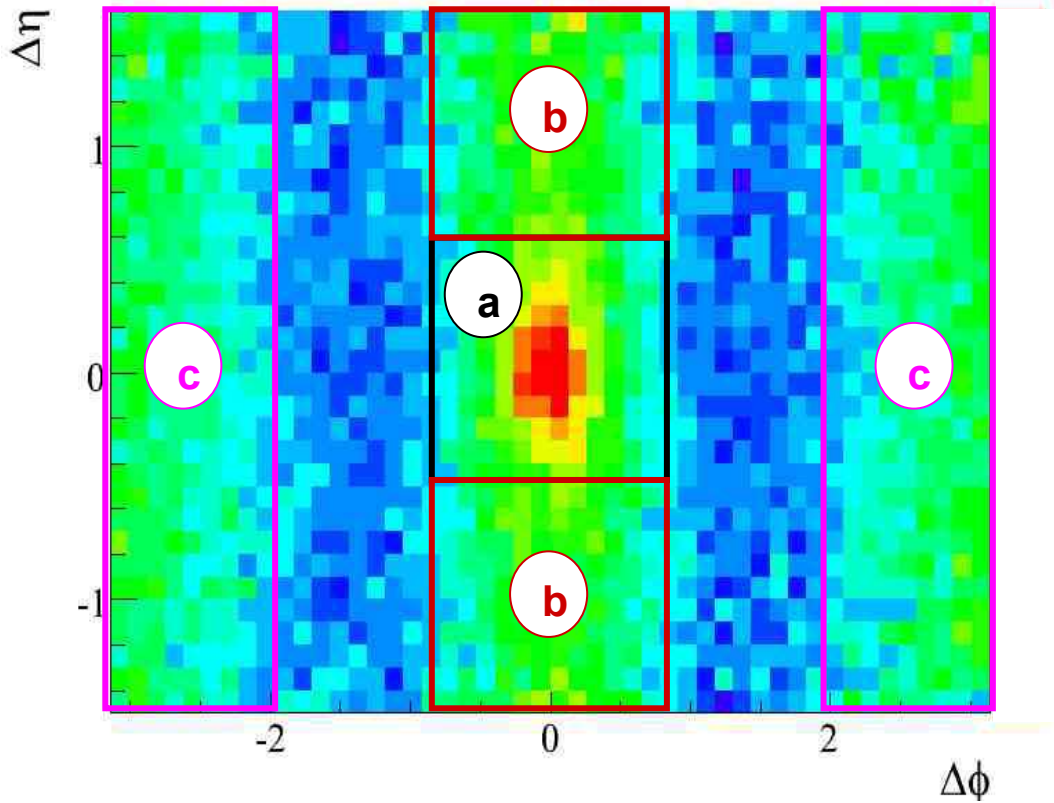


- “Testing” the L-dependence of  $\Delta E$
- Suppression observed for central CuCu



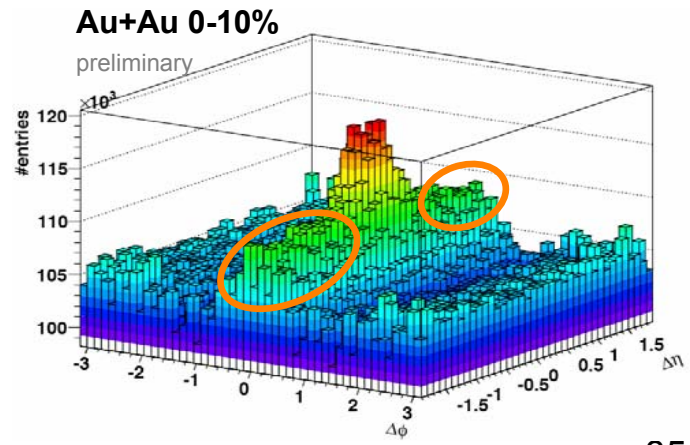
# Components of $\Delta\eta \times \Delta\phi$ correlations

Au+Au 20-30%



- a) Near-side jet-like corrl.  
+ ridge-like corrl.  
+  $v_2$  modulated bkg.
- b) Ridge-like corrl.  
+  $v_2$  modulated bkg.
- c) Away-side corrl.  
+  $v_2$  modulated bkg.

Strategy: Subtract  $\Delta\eta$  from  $\Delta\phi$  projection to isolate the ridge-like correlation



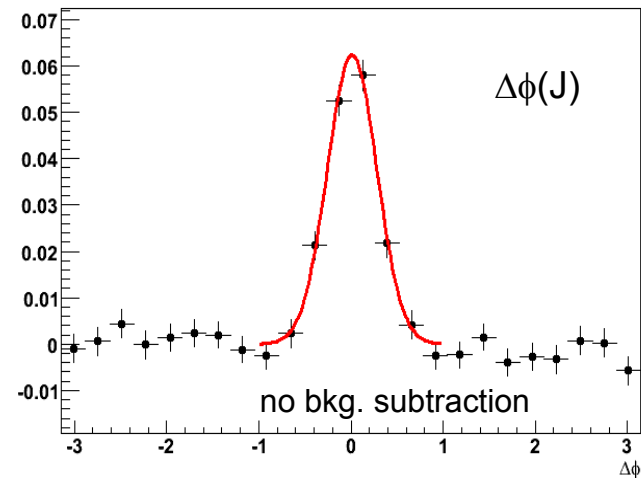
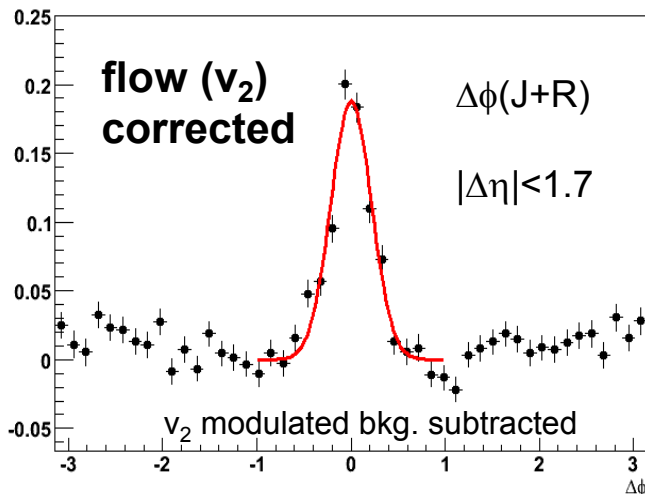
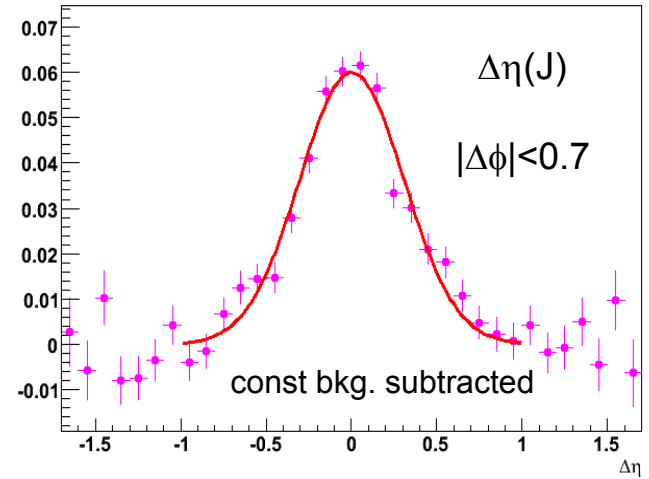
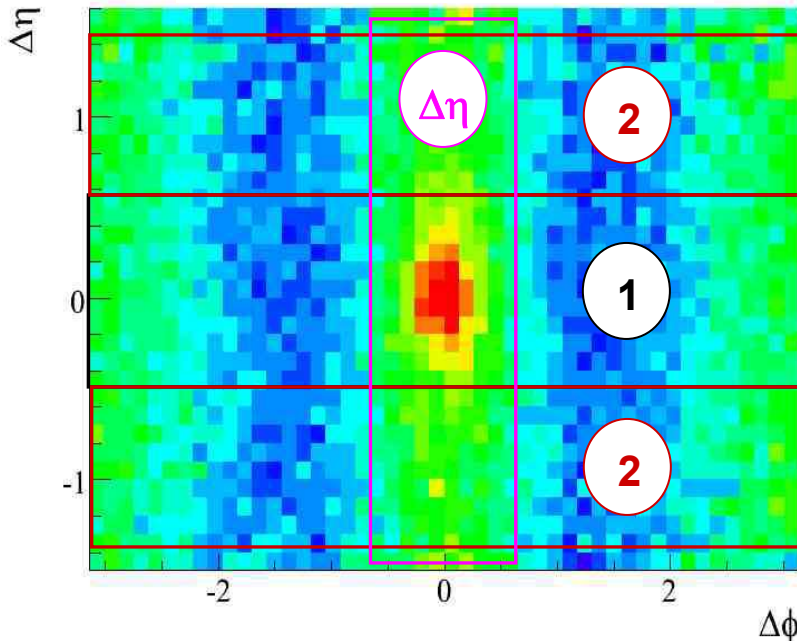


# Extracting near-side "jet-like" yields

Au+Au 20-30%

J = near-side jet-like corrl.

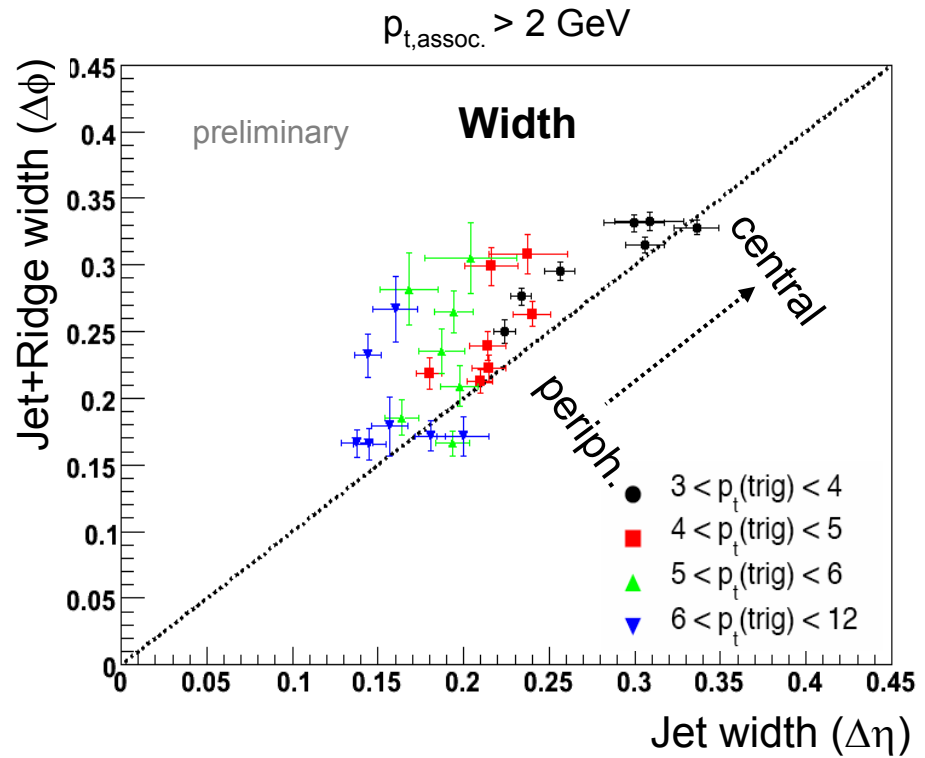
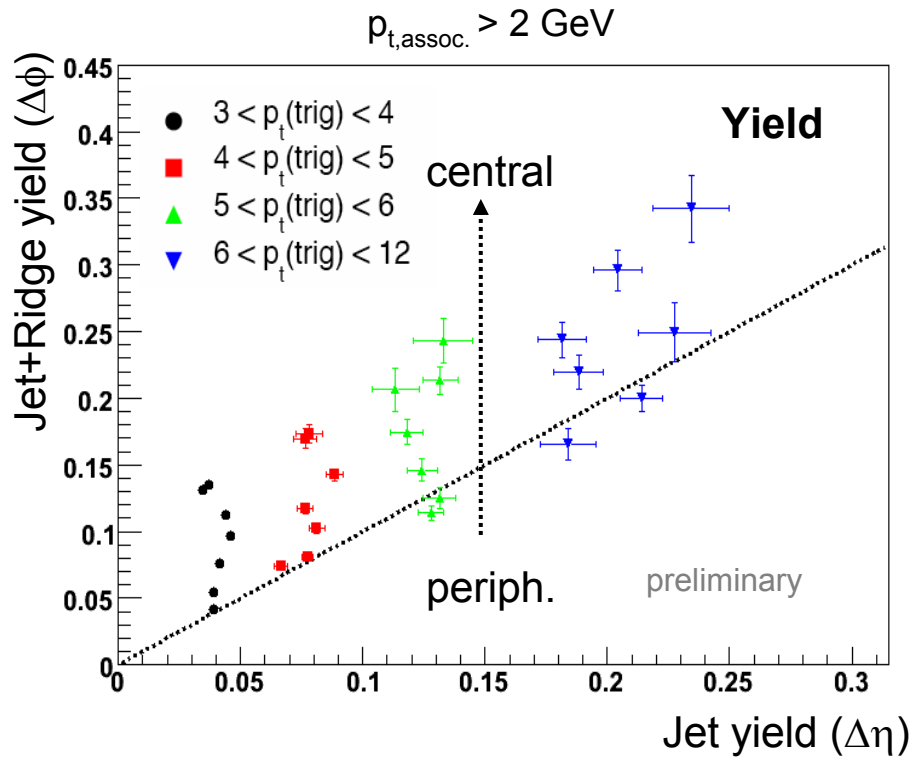
R = "ridge"-like corrl.





# Jet and Jet+Ridge yields & widths

Correlate Jet ( $\Delta\eta(J)$ ) and Jet+Ridge ( $\Delta\phi(J+R)$ ) widths & yields via centrality

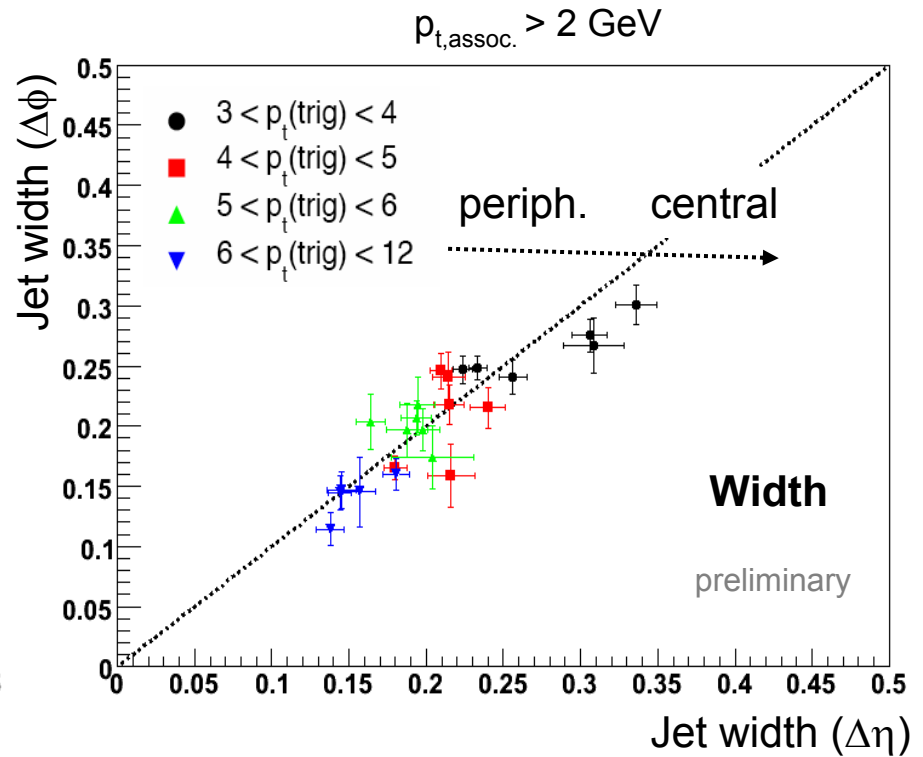
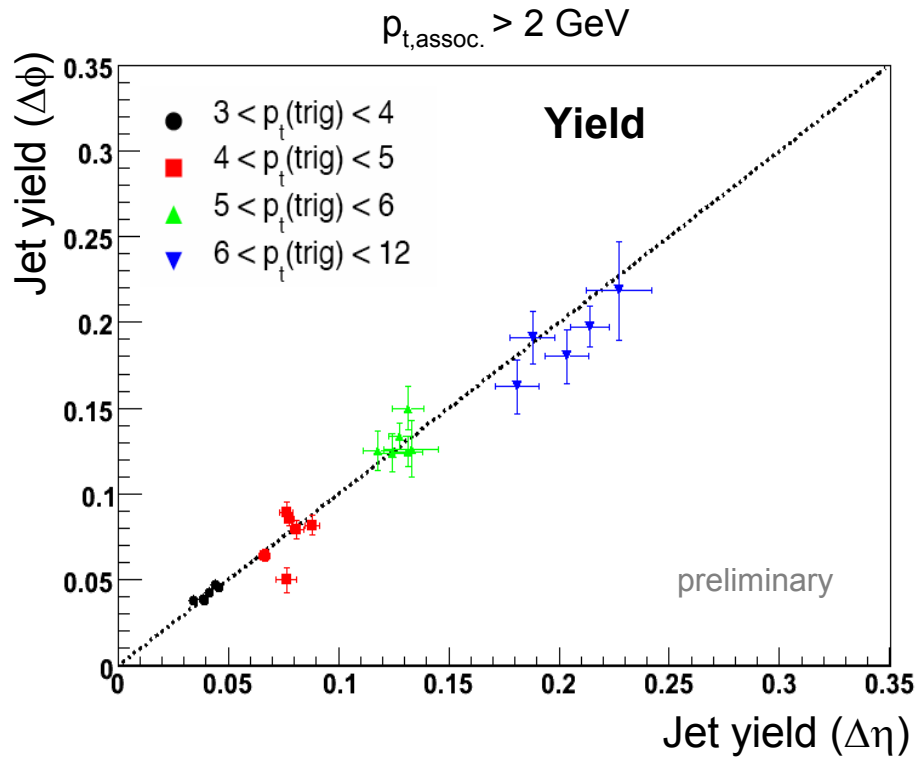


- Jet+Ridge yield increasing with centrality
- Jet+Ridge shape asymmetric in  $\Delta\eta$  and  $\Delta\phi$



# Jet yields & widths: $\Delta\eta$ vs. $\Delta\phi$

Correlate Jet ( $\Delta\eta(J)$ ) and Jet ( $\Delta\phi(J)$ ) widths and yields via centrality

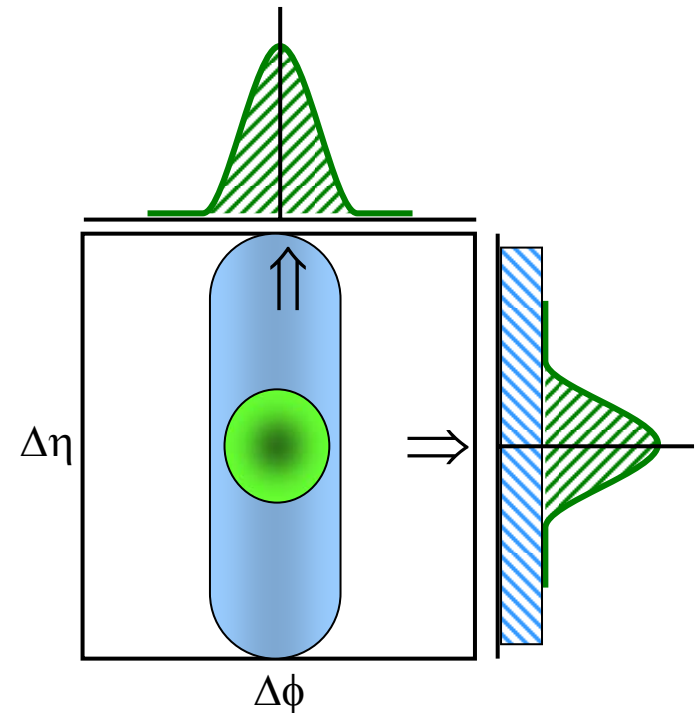
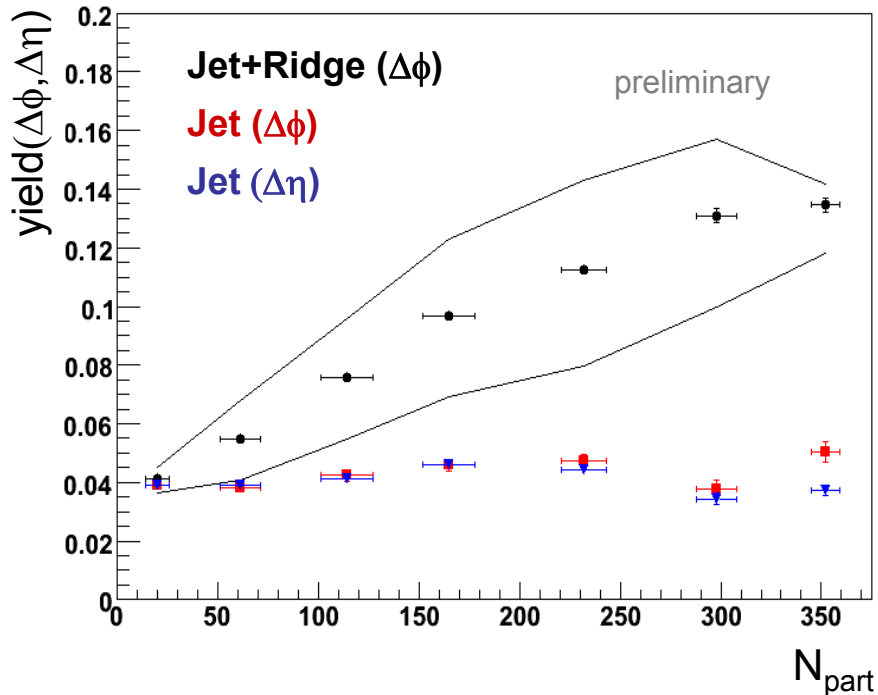


- Jet yield  $\sim$  symmetric in  $\Delta\eta \times \Delta\phi$
- Jet shape  $\sim$  symmetric in  $\Delta\eta \times \Delta\phi$  for  $p_{t,trig} > 4 \text{ GeV}$   
(asymmetric in  $\Delta\eta$  for  $p_{t,trig} < 4 \text{ GeV}$ )



# Extracting the ridge yield

$3 < p_{t,trigger} < 4 \text{ GeV}$  and  $p_{t,assoc.} > 2 \text{ GeV}$



⇒ Definition of “ridge yield”:

i) **ridge yield** := Jet+Ridge( $\Delta\phi$ ) – Jet( $\Delta\eta$ )

ii) **relative ridge yield** := ridge yield / Jet( $\Delta\eta$ )

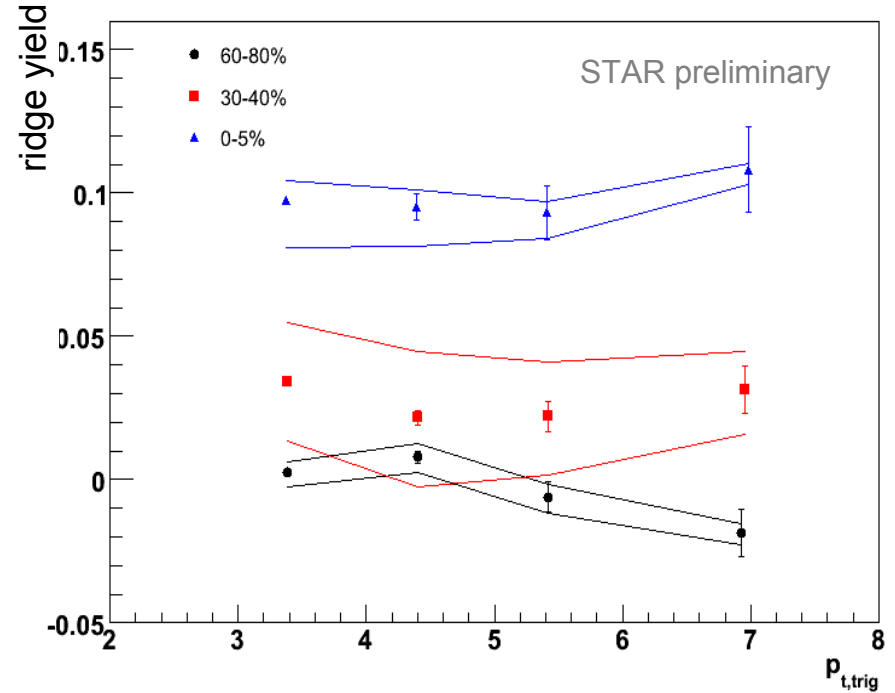
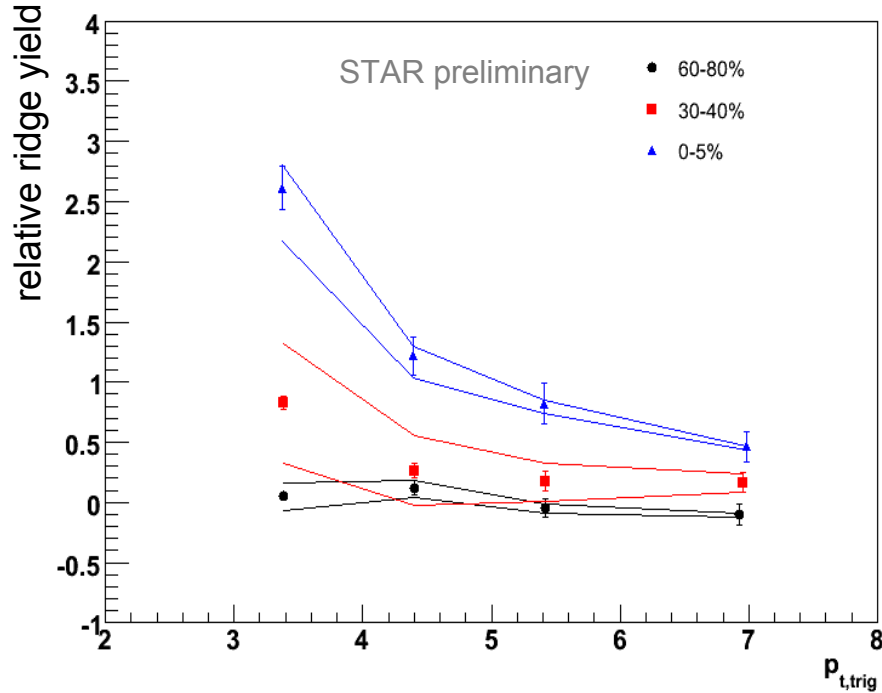


# Ridge yield in Au+Au I

relative ridge yield

$p_{t,assoc.} > 2 \text{ GeV}$

absolute ridge yield



- Relative ridge yield decreasing with trigger  $p_t$
- Absolute ridge yield constant as function of trigger  $p_t$



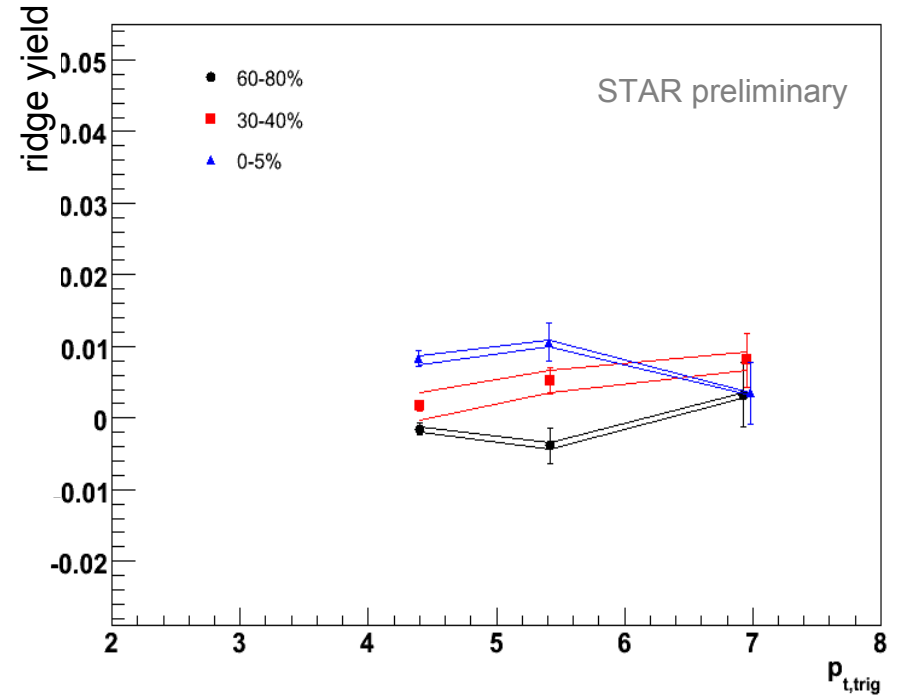
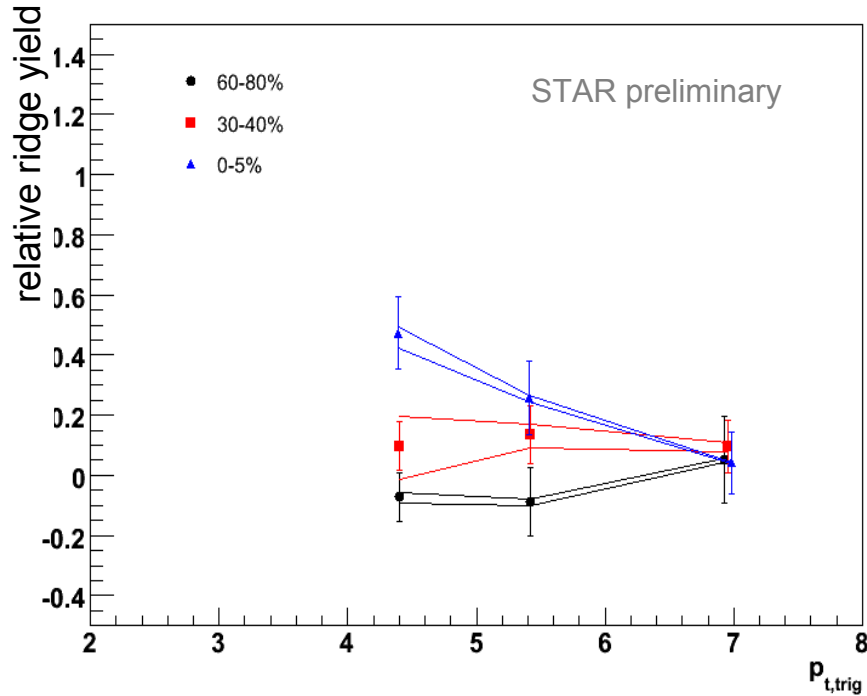


# Ridge yield in Au+Au II

relative ridge yield

$p_{t,assoc.} > 3 \text{ GeV}$

absolute ridge yield

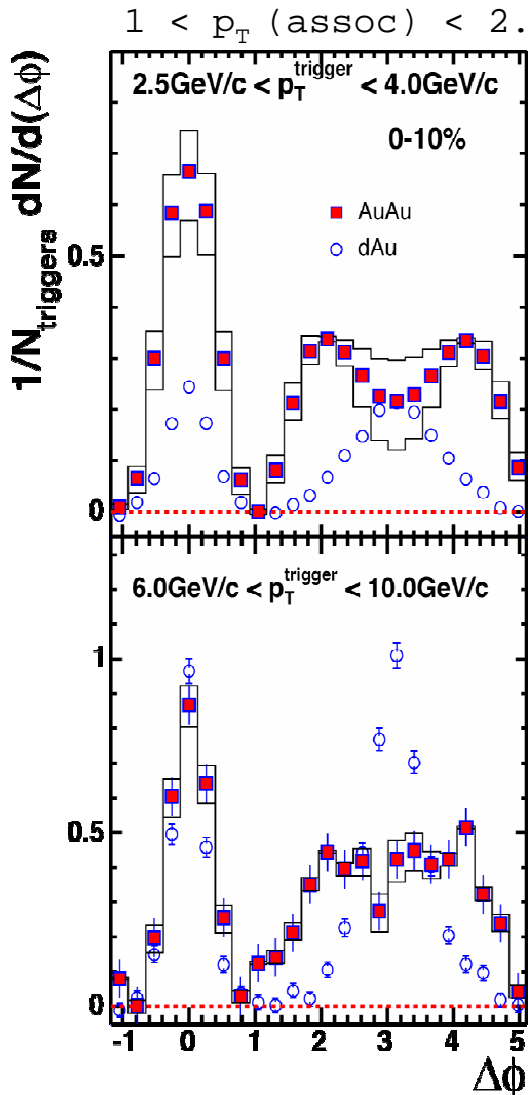


Ridge contribution significantly suppressed for  $p_{t,assoc.} > 3 \text{ GeV}$

GeV



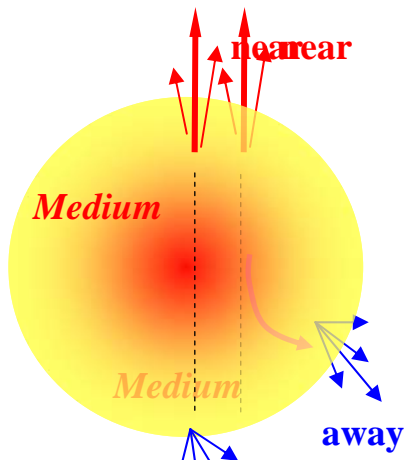
# Two-Particle Correlations (Mach Cone?)



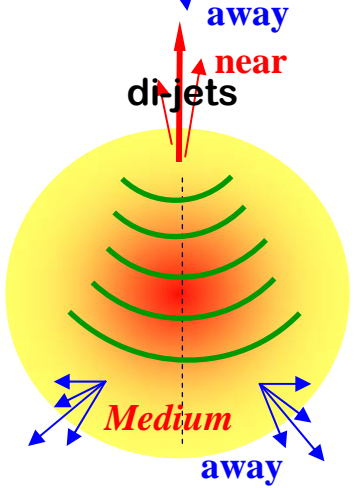
- broad away-side distribution in central Au+Au
  - enhanced yield for lower  $p_T$
  - consistent with two-peak structure
    - Mach cone or deflected jets?
      - study 3-part. correlation
    - sensitive to elliptic flow subtraction
- dependence on trigger  $p_T$
- enhanced yield for near-side
  - quantitatively consistent with ridge
  - near-side enhancement only ridge?
    - vacuum fragmentation?



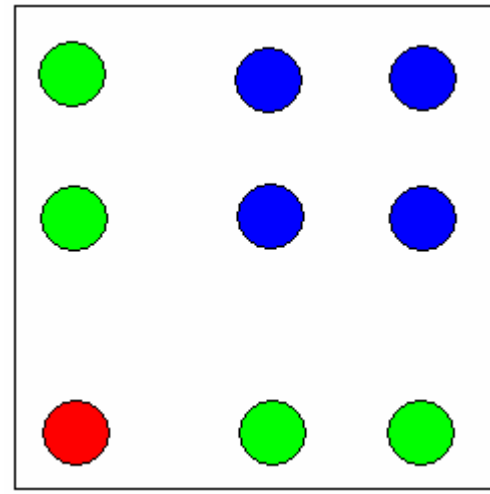
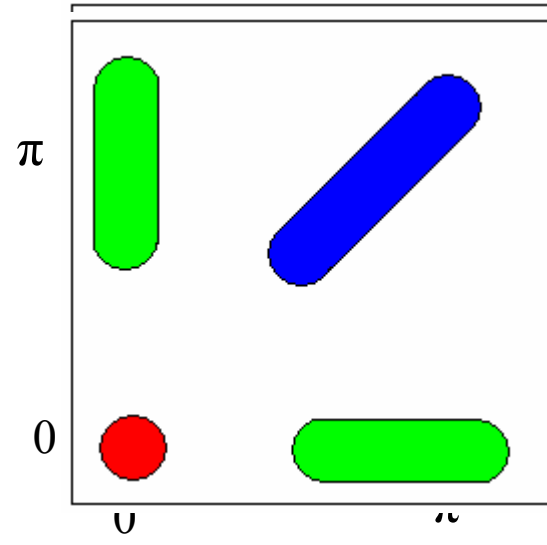
# Conical Flow vs Deflected Jets



deflected jets



mach cone

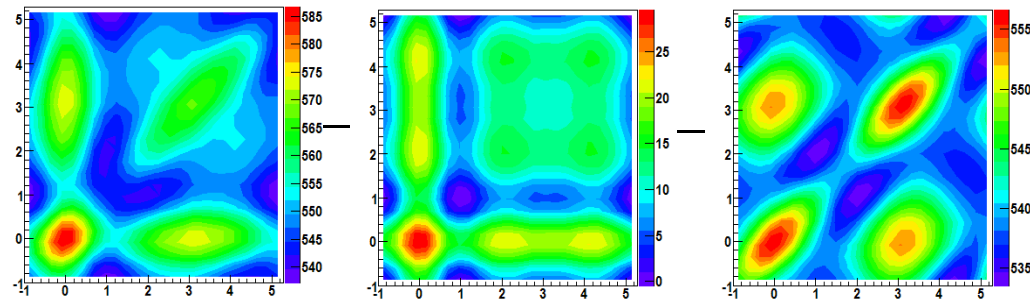




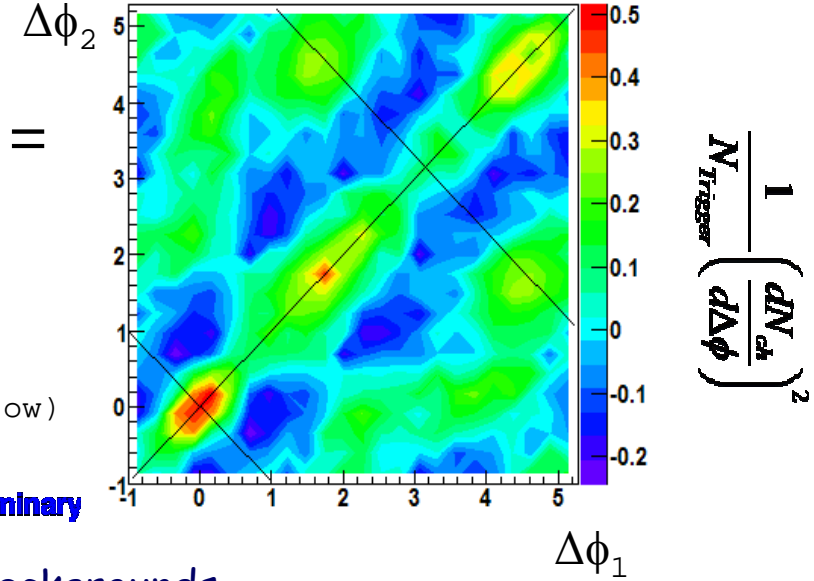
# Three-Particle Correlations



Au+Au Central 0-12% Triggered



Raw - Jet x Bkgd - Bkgd x Bkgd  
 (Hard-Soft) (Soft-Soft incl. Flow)



 **STAR Preliminary**

- signal obtained by subtraction of dominant backgrounds
  - flow components, jet-related two-particle correlation
- improved analysis compared to QM (e.g. high statistics)
  - additional check with cumulant analysis under way
  - careful: different assumptions on background normalisation!
- clear elongation (jet deflection)
- off-diagonal signal related to mach cone?

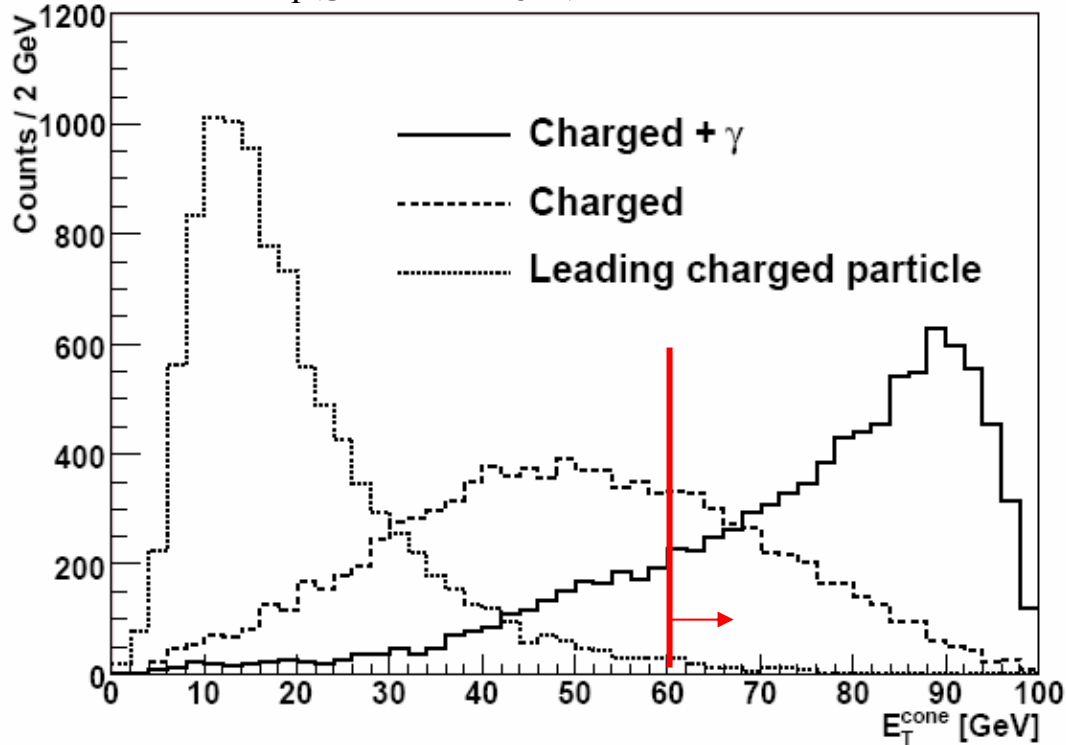


# Full jet reconstruction at LHC



The leading particle as a probe becomes fragile in several respects.

$$E_T(\text{generated jet}) = 100 \text{ GeV}$$

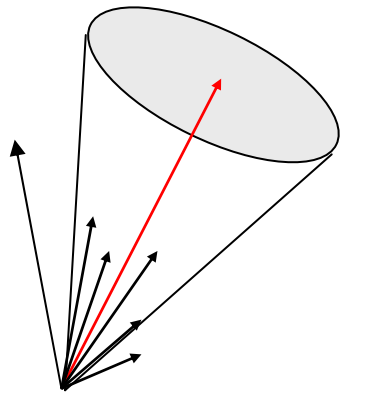


Ideally, the analysis of reconstructed jets will allow us to measure the original parton 4-momentum and the jet structure.

From this analysis a higher sensitivity to the medium parameters (transport coefficient) is expected.



# Jet reconstruction in ALICE



$$R = \sqrt{\Delta\eta^2 + \Delta\phi^2}$$

- Collimation: ~ 80% energy around jet axis in  $R < 0.3$
- Background energy in cone of size  $R$  is  $\sim R^2$  and background fluctuations  $\sim R$ .

## In pp-collisions

jets: excess of transverse energy within a typical cone of  $R = 1$ .

## In heavy-ion collisions

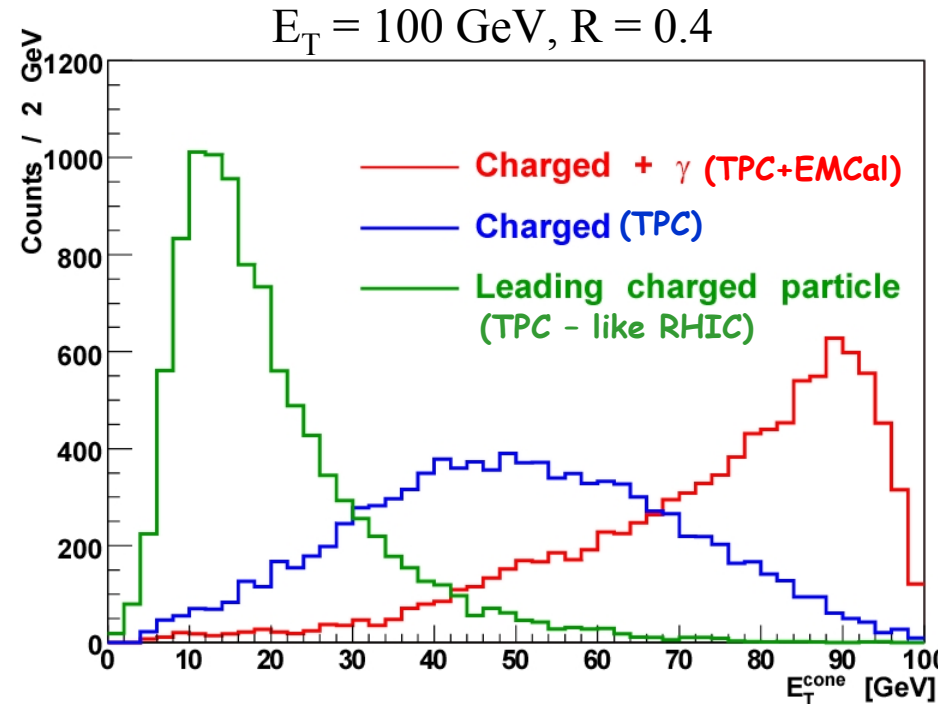
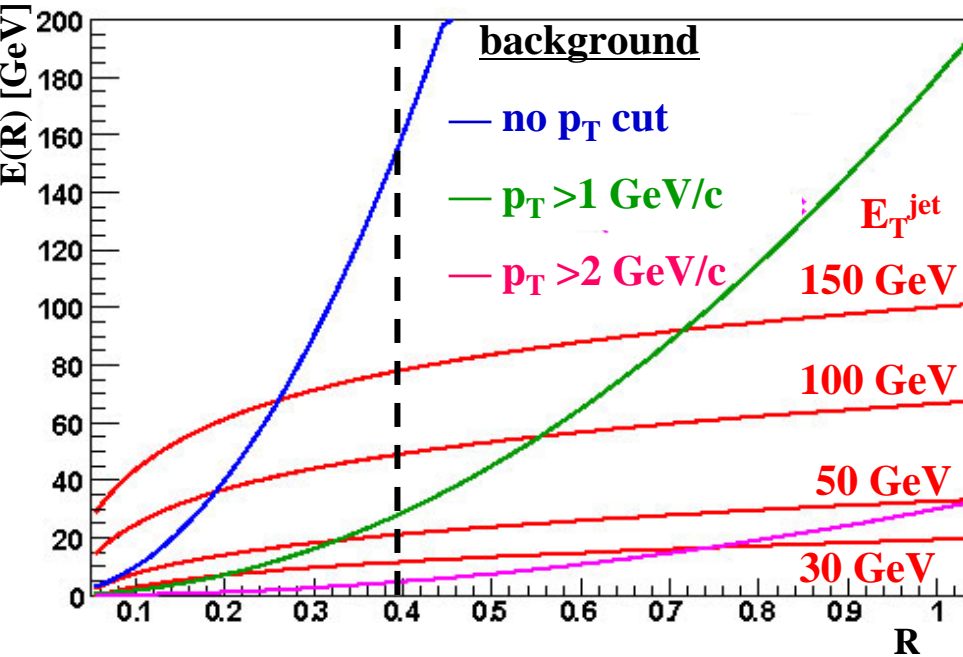
- jets reconstructed using smaller cone sizes
- subtract energy from underlying event

## Main limitations:

- **Background energy.** Reduced by:
  - reducing the cone size ( $R = 0.3-0.4$ )
  - transverse momentum cut ( $p_T = 1-2 \text{ GeV}/c$ )
- **Background energy fluctuations:**
  - event-by-event fluctuations
  - Poissonian fluctuations of uncorrelated particles
  - fluctuations of correlated particles



# Intrinsic performance limits



Energy contained in a subcone of radius  $R$  reduced by:

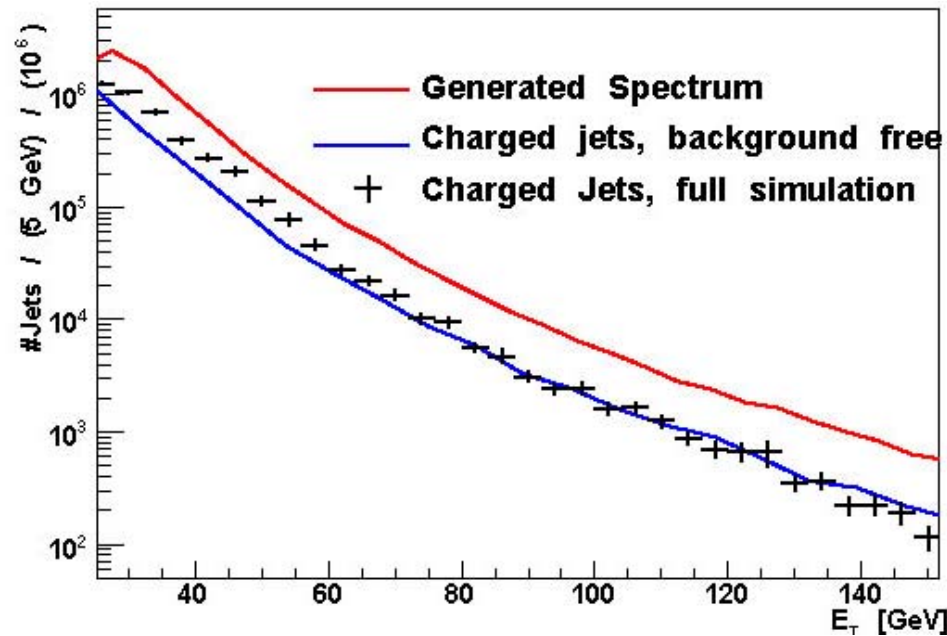
- reducing the cone size
- cutting on  $p_T$

• Limited cone size leads to a low energy tail

• Charged reconstruction (TPC) dominated by charged to neutral fluctuations



# Reconstructed jet



$10^7$  central events  
 $R = 0.4$   
Charged jets

- Study properties of the medium through the modifications on the transverse jet structure

Jet shape ( $dE/dr$ ) and jet particle momentum perpendicular to jet axis ( $j_{\perp}$ ) vs. reconstructed energy

- Study hard processes with low  $p_T$  observables by measuring the fragmentation function to low  $p_T$ . Energy loss and radiated energy

Decrease of hadrons in the high- $z$  part and increase of hadrons in the low- $z$  region of fragmentation function ( $z = p_T/E_T^{\text{jet}}$ )



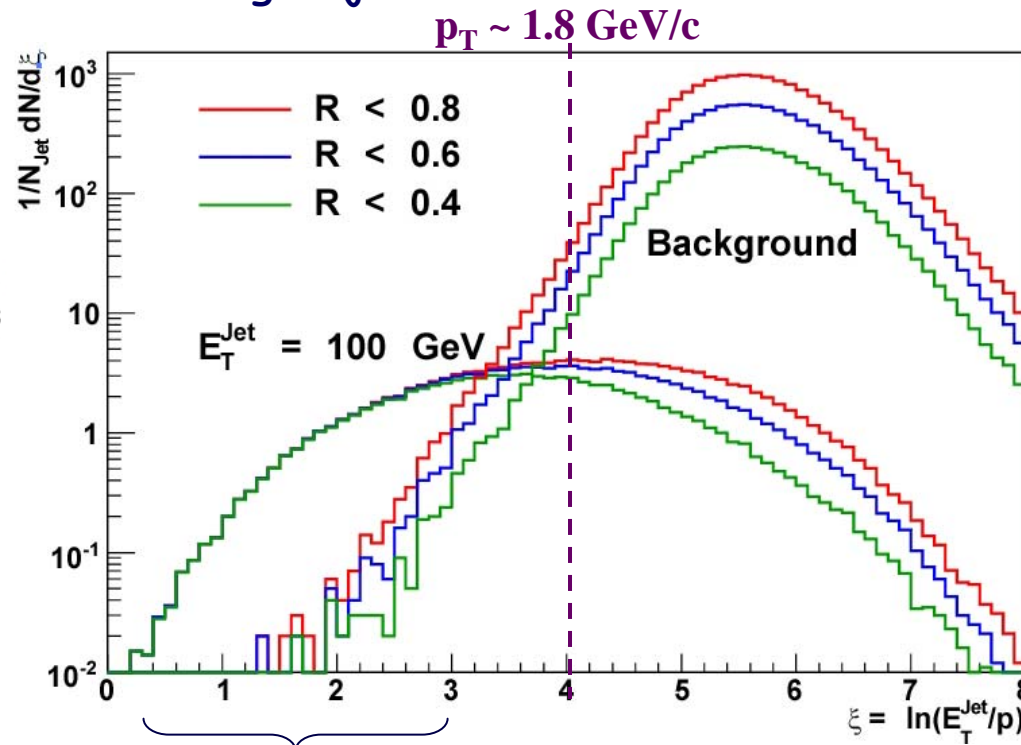
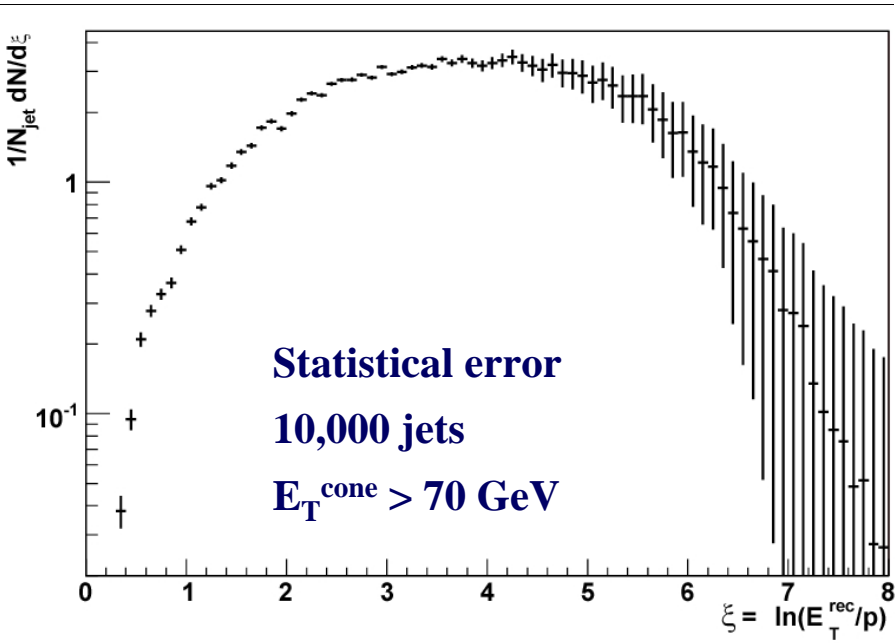


# Jet-structure observables

Representing the fragmentation function: Hump-backed Plateau.

$$z = \frac{p_T}{E_T^{jet}}$$

Charged jets.



Particles from medium induced gluon radiation in  $\xi \sim 4-6$

For  $E_T \sim 100 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $S/B \sim 10^{-2}$

Leading Particles

$S/B > 0.1$



# Photon-tagged jets



Dominant processes:

$$g + q \rightarrow \gamma + q \text{ (QCD Compton)}$$

$$q + \bar{q} \rightarrow \gamma + g \text{ (Annihilation)}$$

$$p_T > 10 \text{ GeV}/c$$

## $\gamma$ -jet correlation

- $E_\gamma = E_{\text{jet}}$
- Opposite direction
- Direct photons are not perturbed by the medium
- Parton in-medium-modification through the fragmentation function

