Dependence of semi-inclusive jet and high-p_T charged particle production on event activity at high backward-rapidity in $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ = 200 GeV p+Au collisions at STAR

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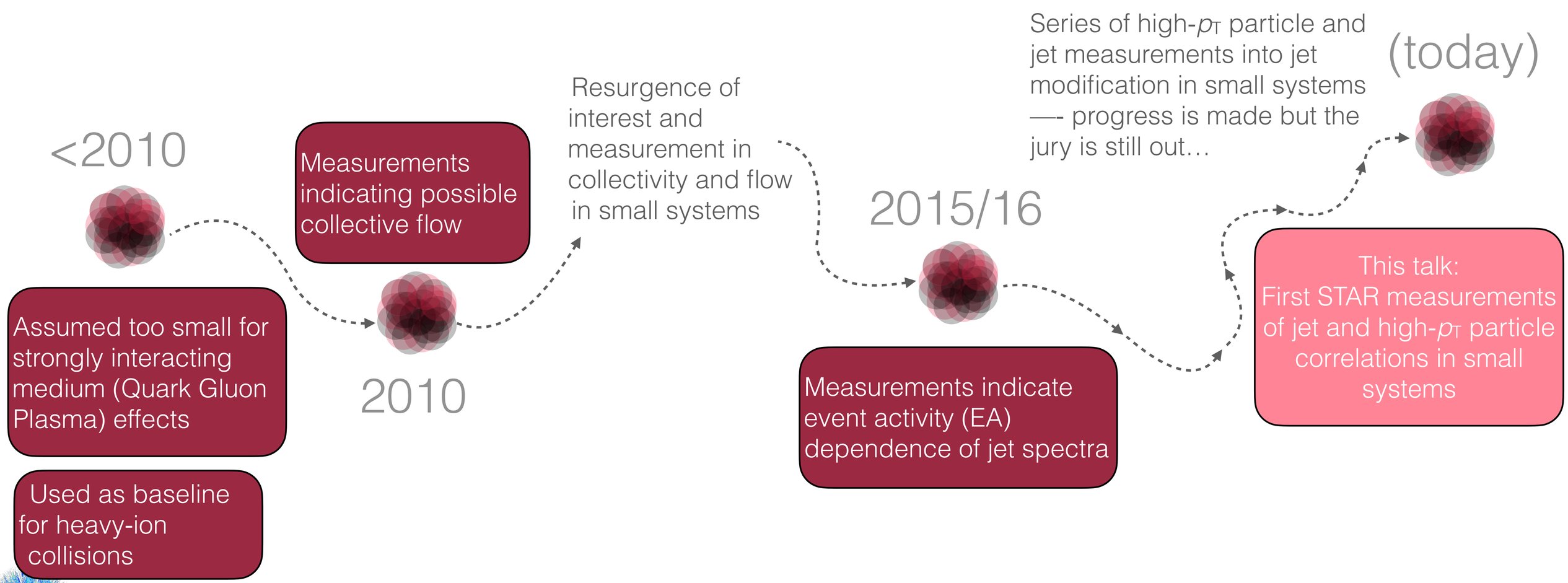

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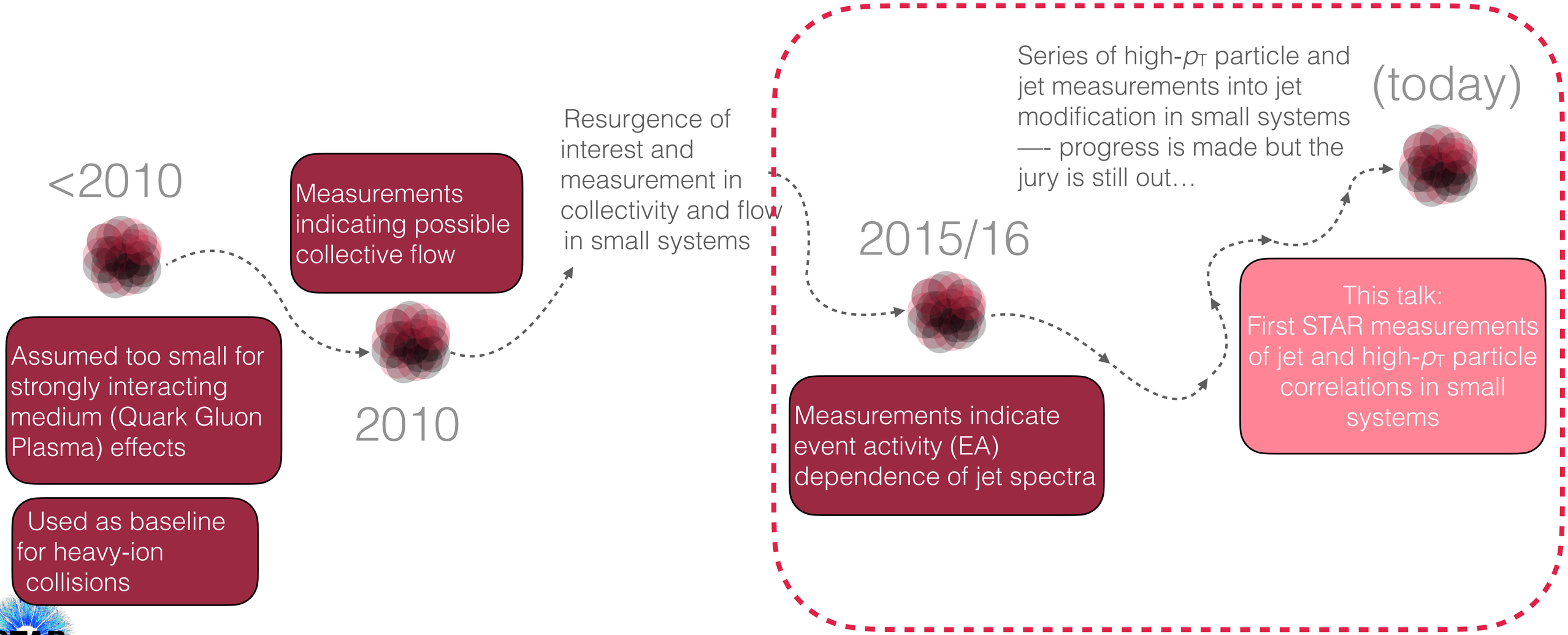

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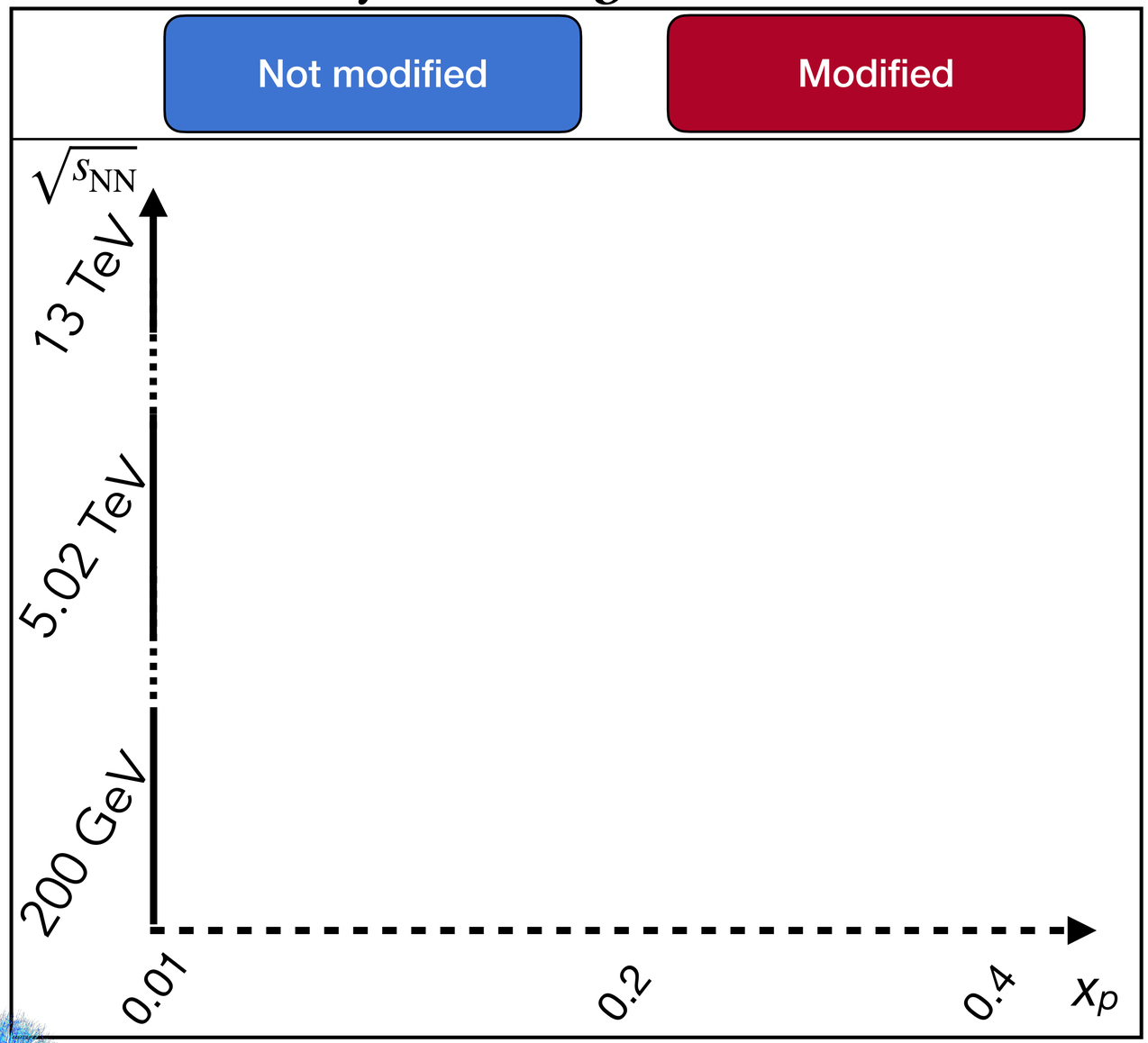

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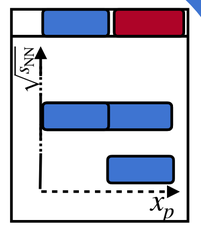

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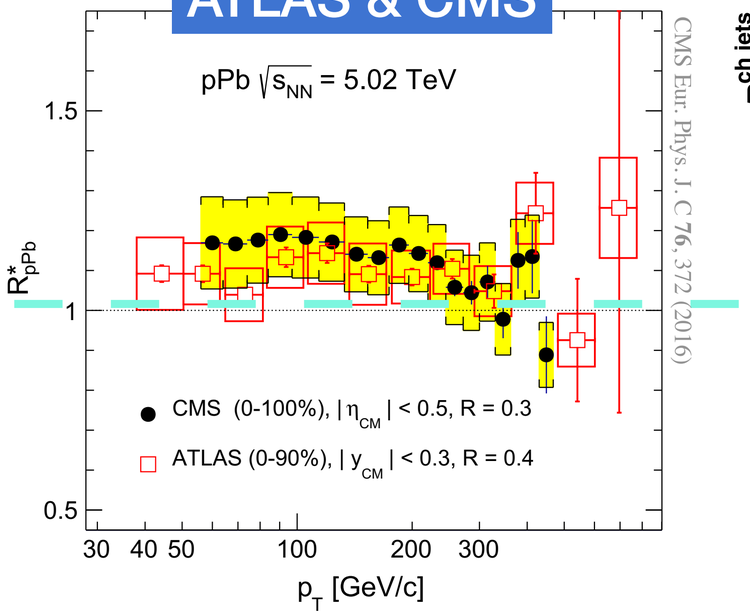

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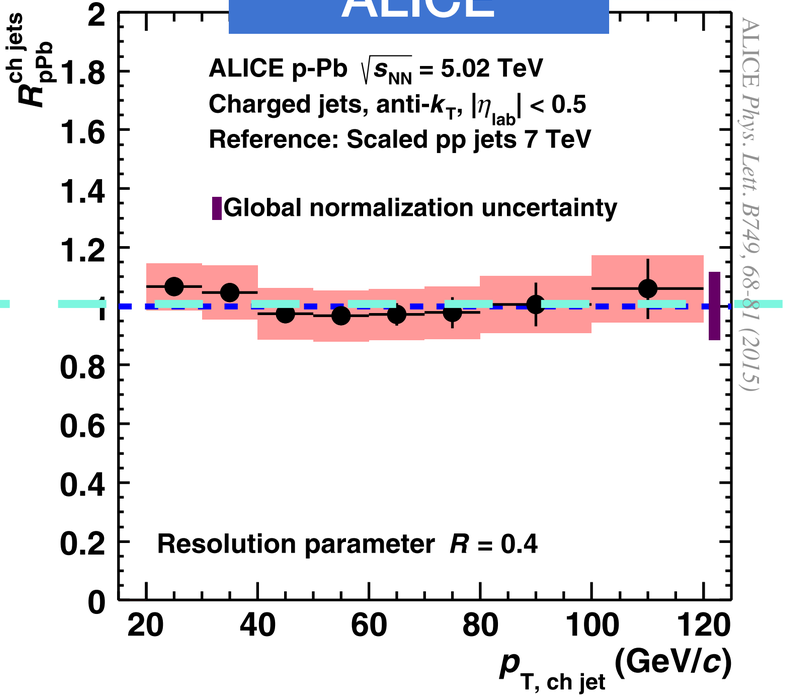

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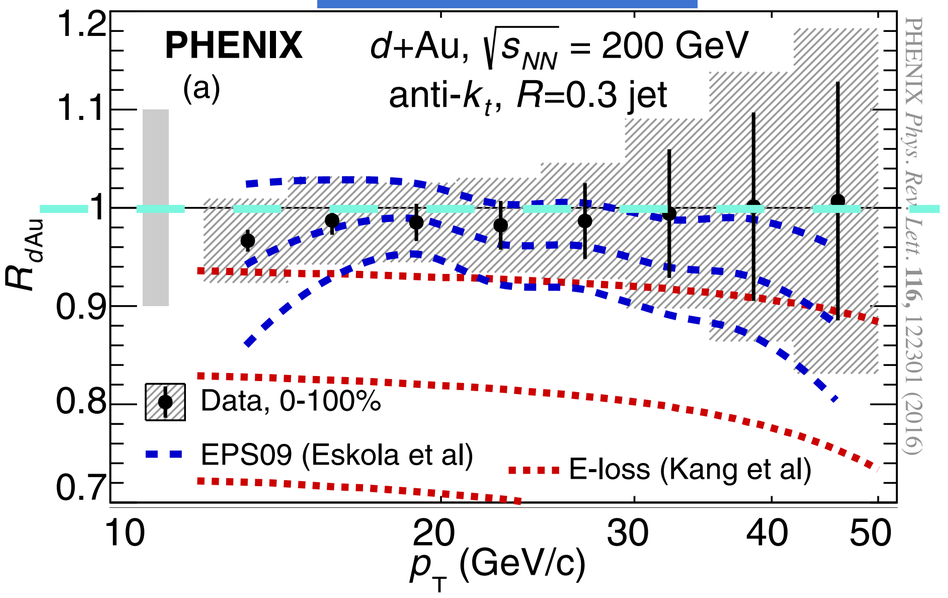

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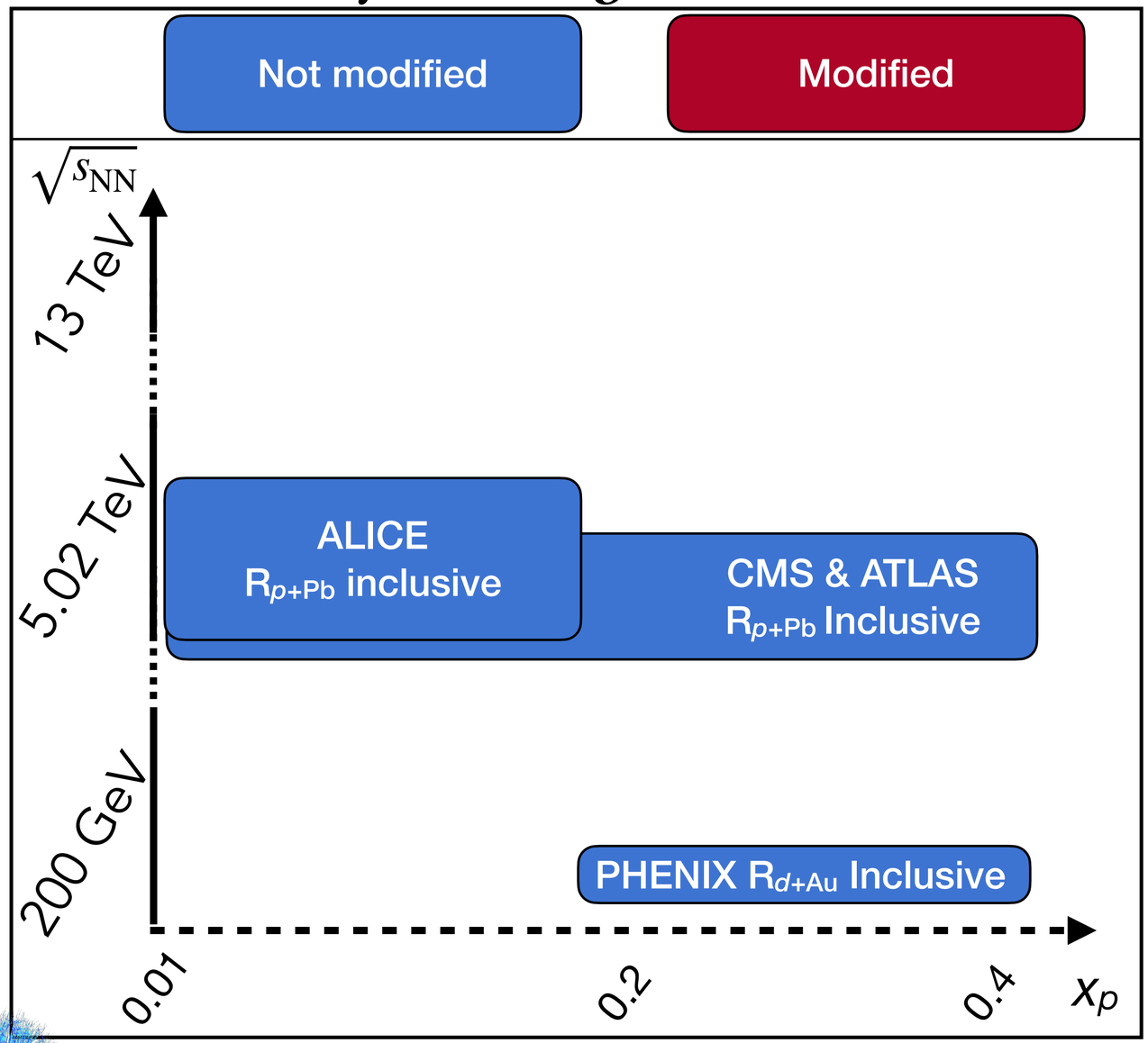

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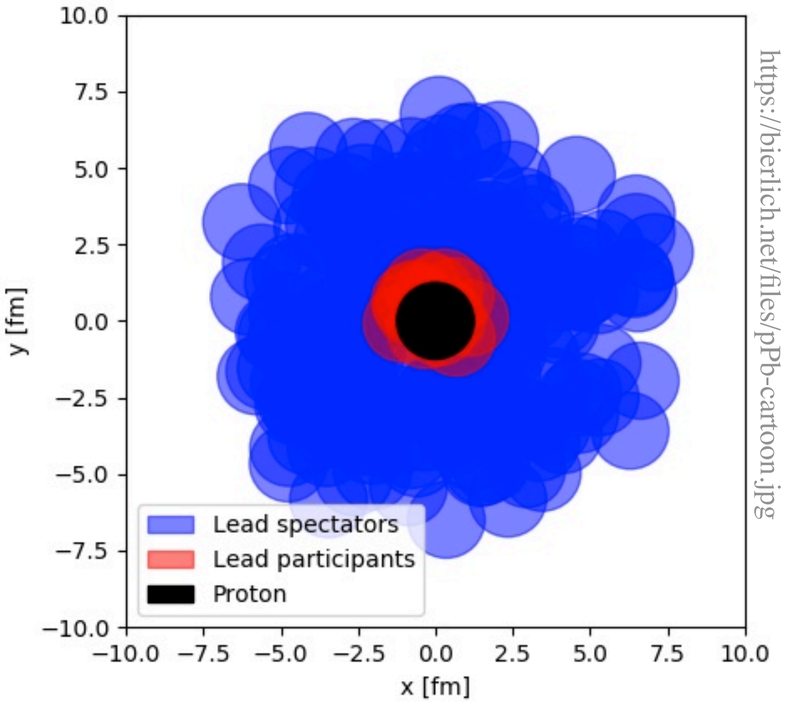

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Jet at mid-η

Event Activity (EA):
signal @ high backward-η

Beam Line Axis

A-going direction

p-going direction

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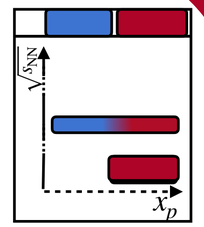

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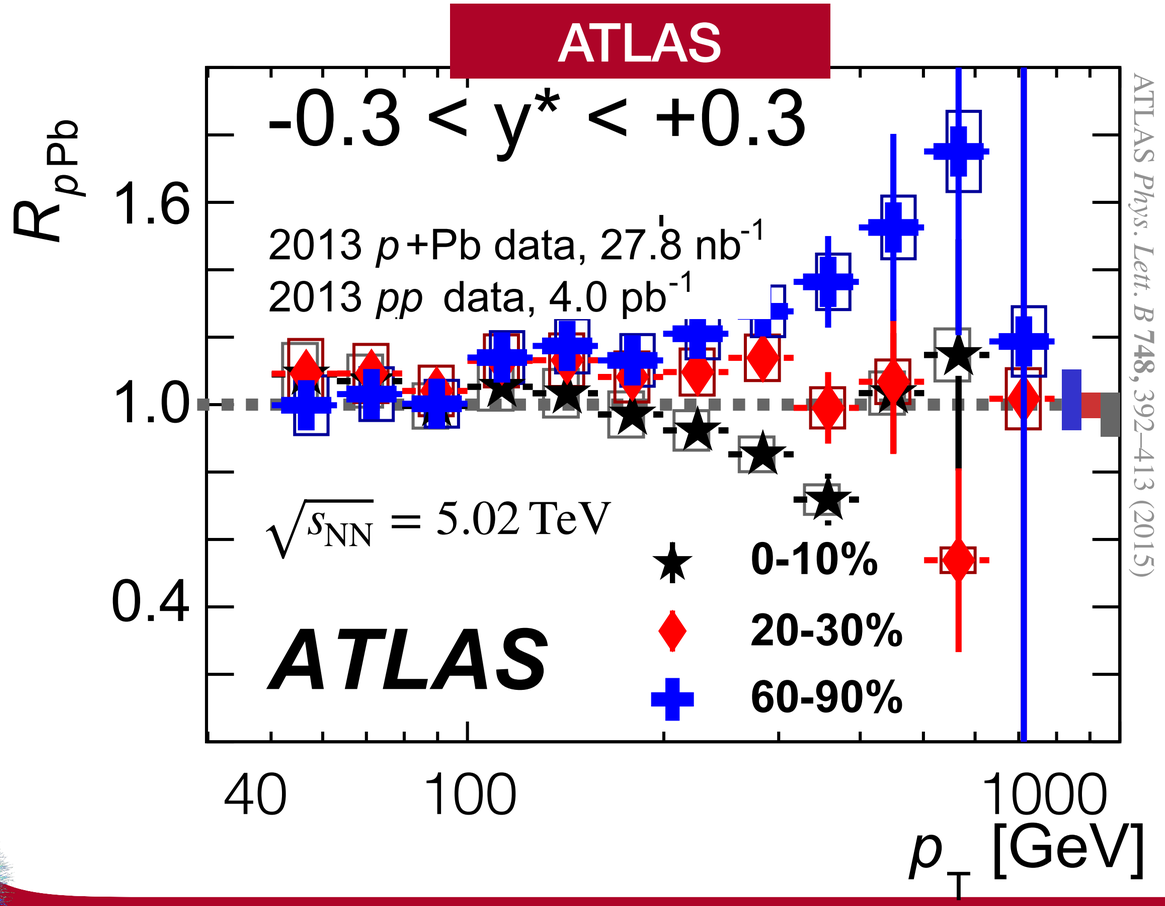

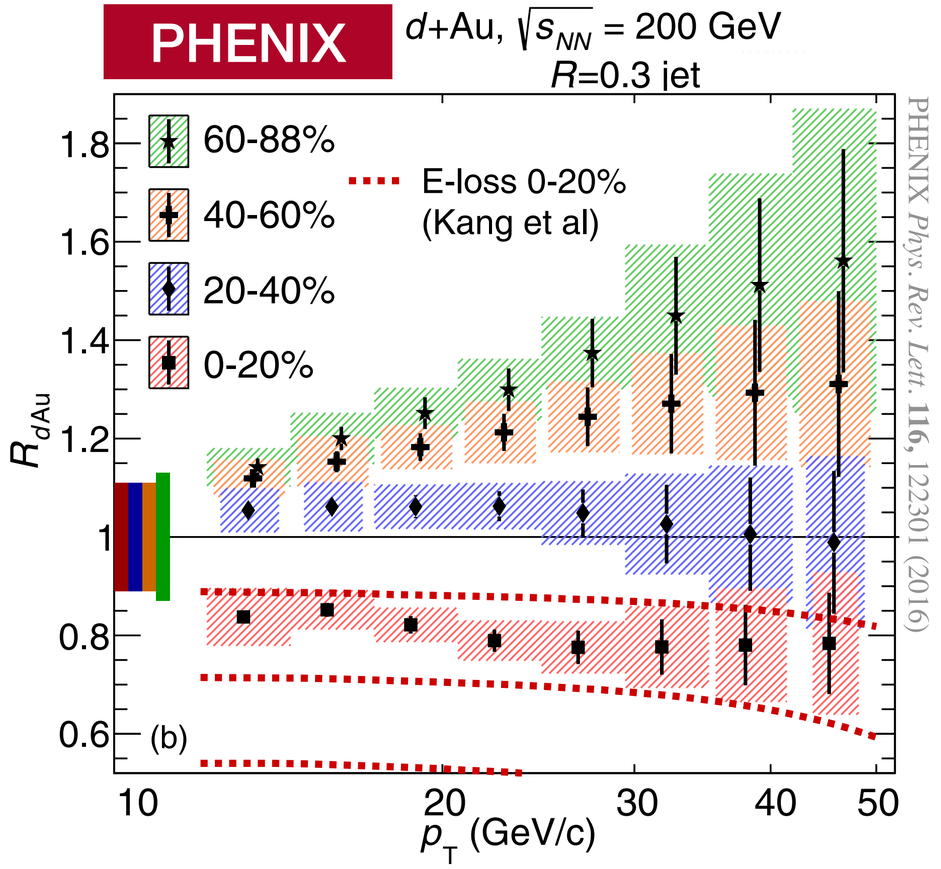

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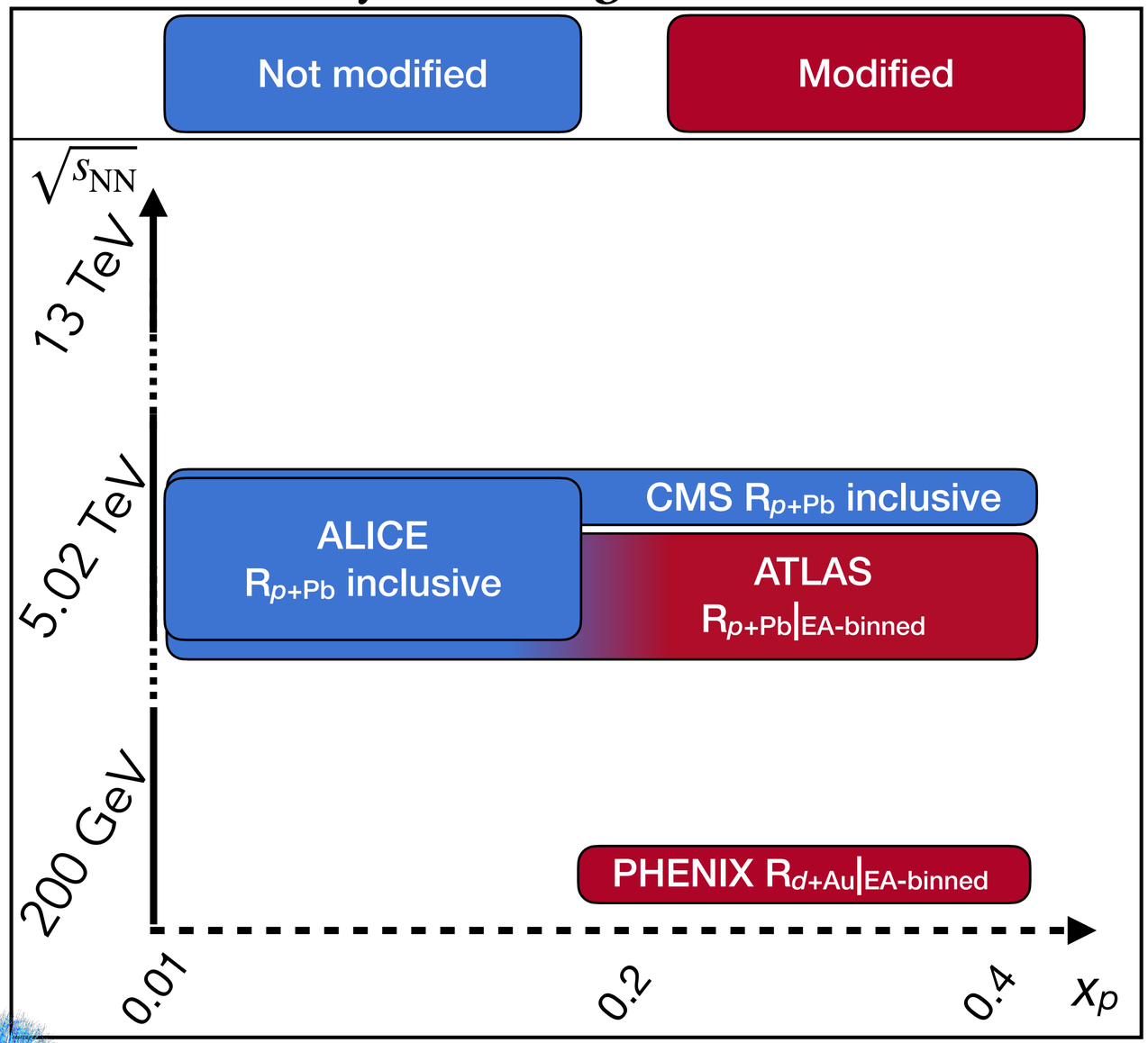

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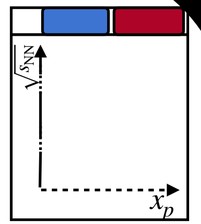

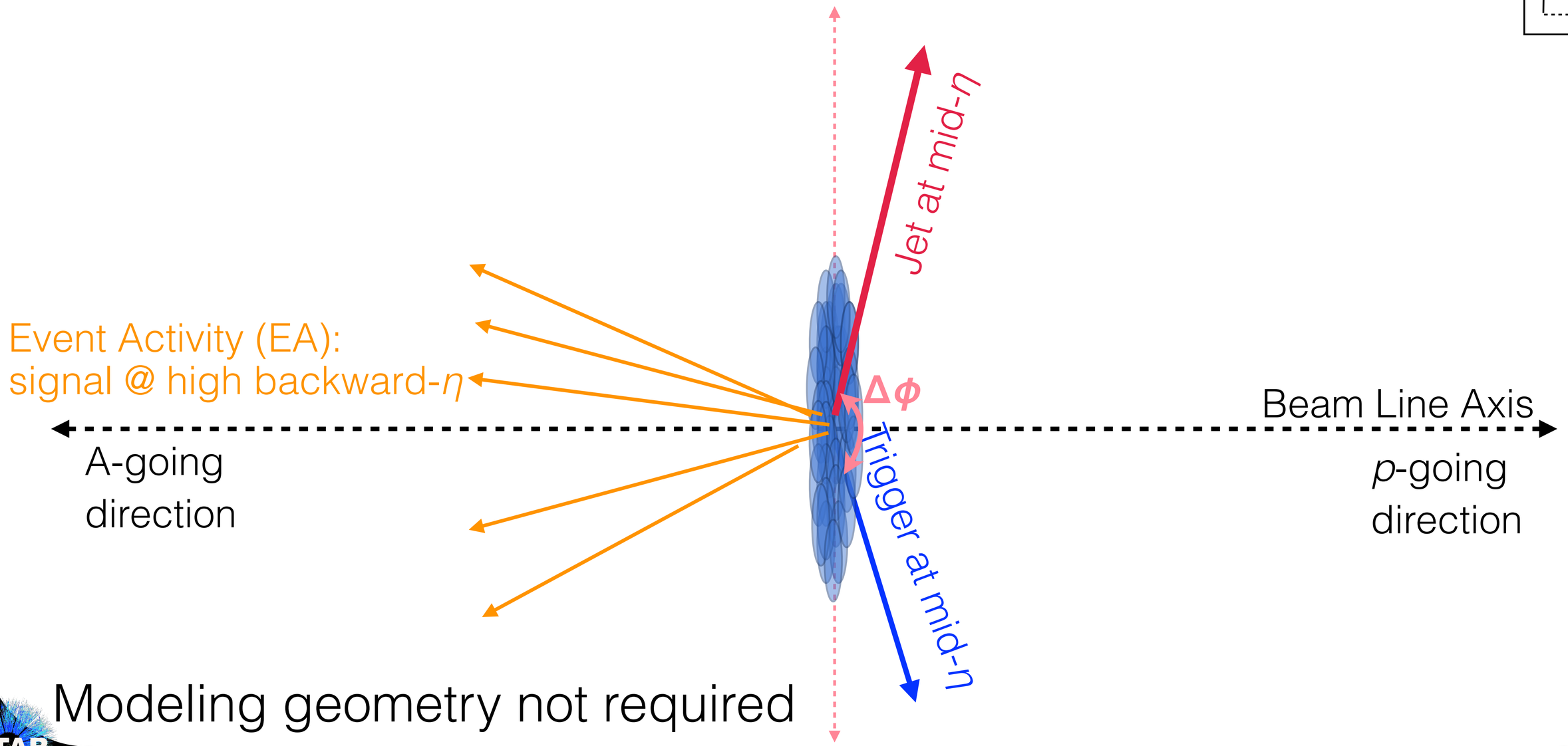

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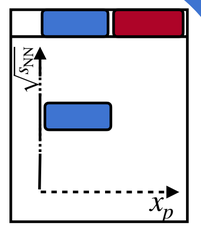
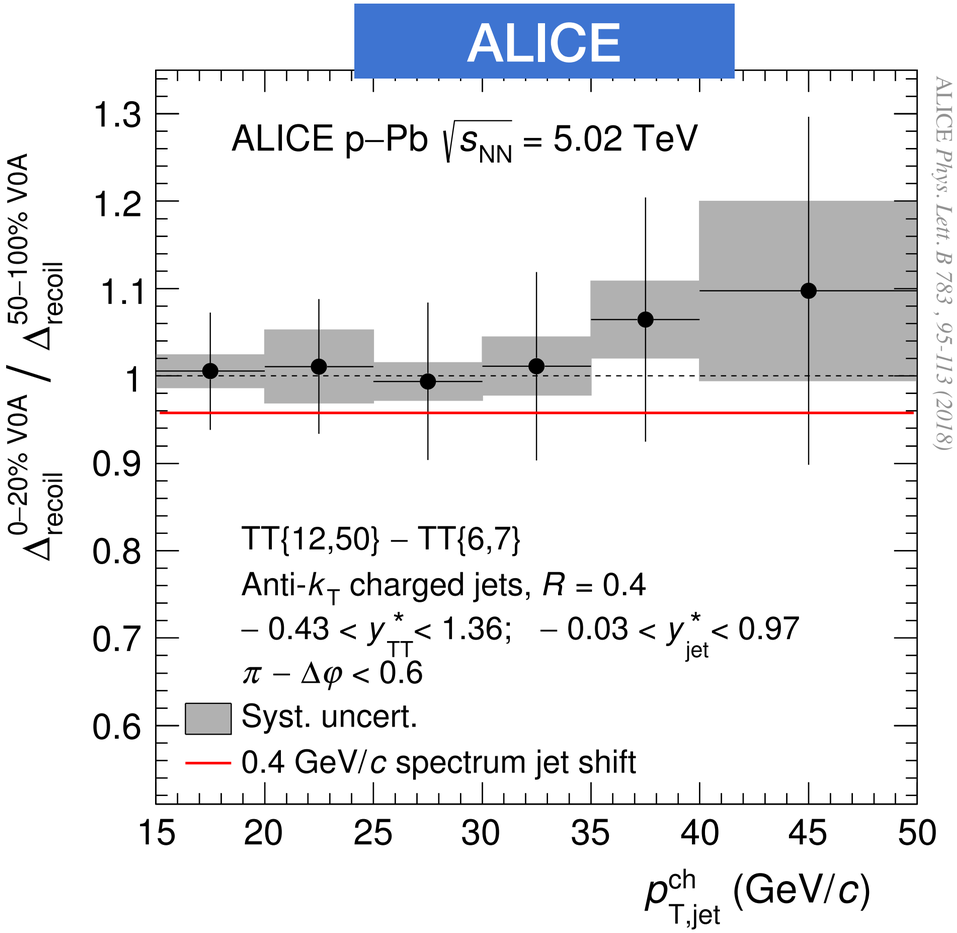
2018: Recoil jet spectra not EA dependent



- Upper limit set on out-of-cone energy transport (jet quenching), using jets up to x_p~0.02

- Not consistent with ATLAS and PHENIX measurements — applicable at all x_p?



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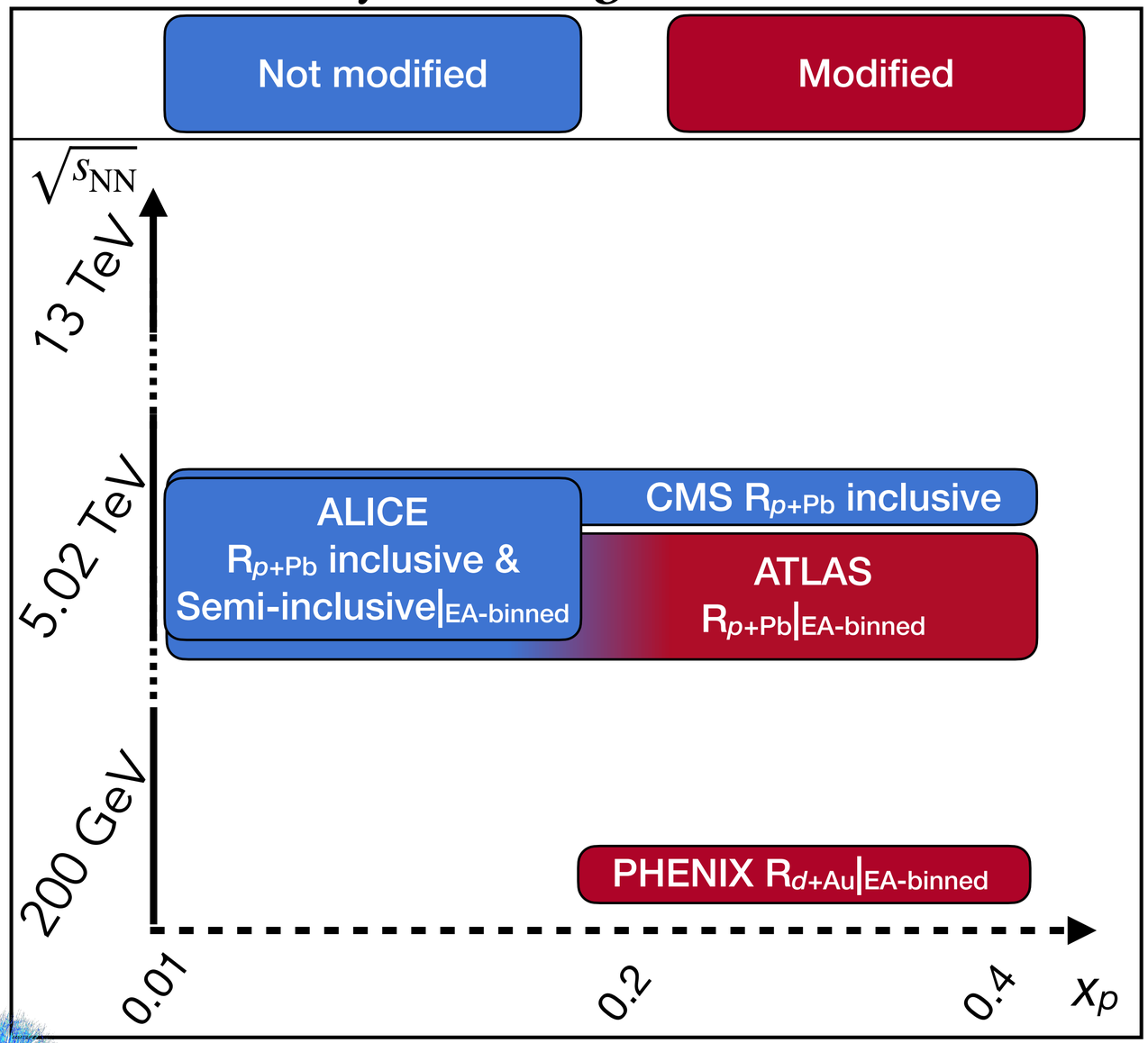

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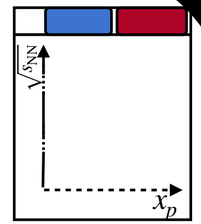
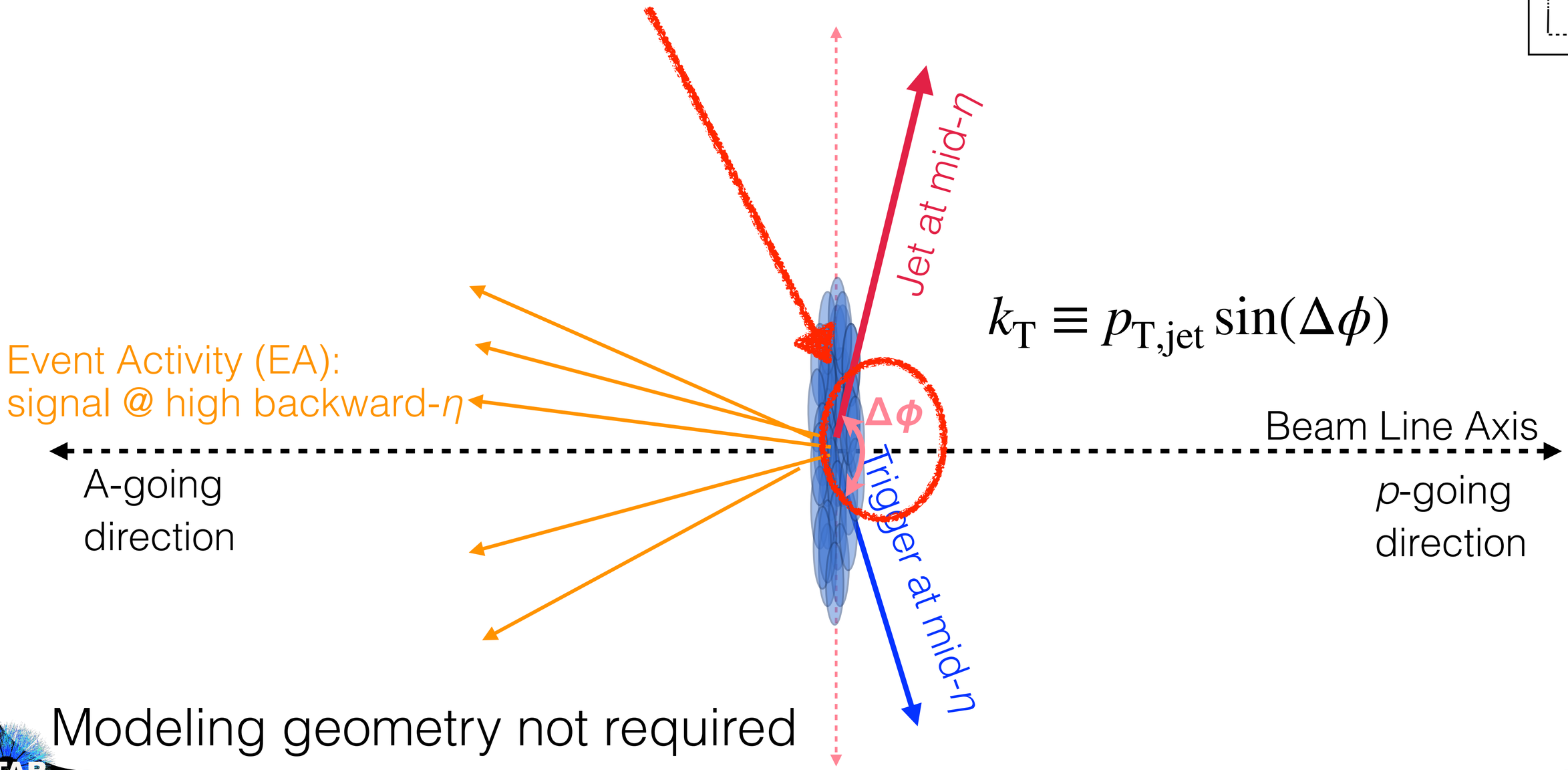
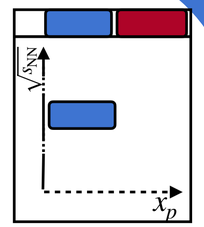




$$k_{\mathrm{T}} \equiv p_{\mathrm{T,jet}} \sin(\Delta\phi)$$

Modeling geometry not required

Dijet momentum balance $k_{T,}$ normalized per dijet



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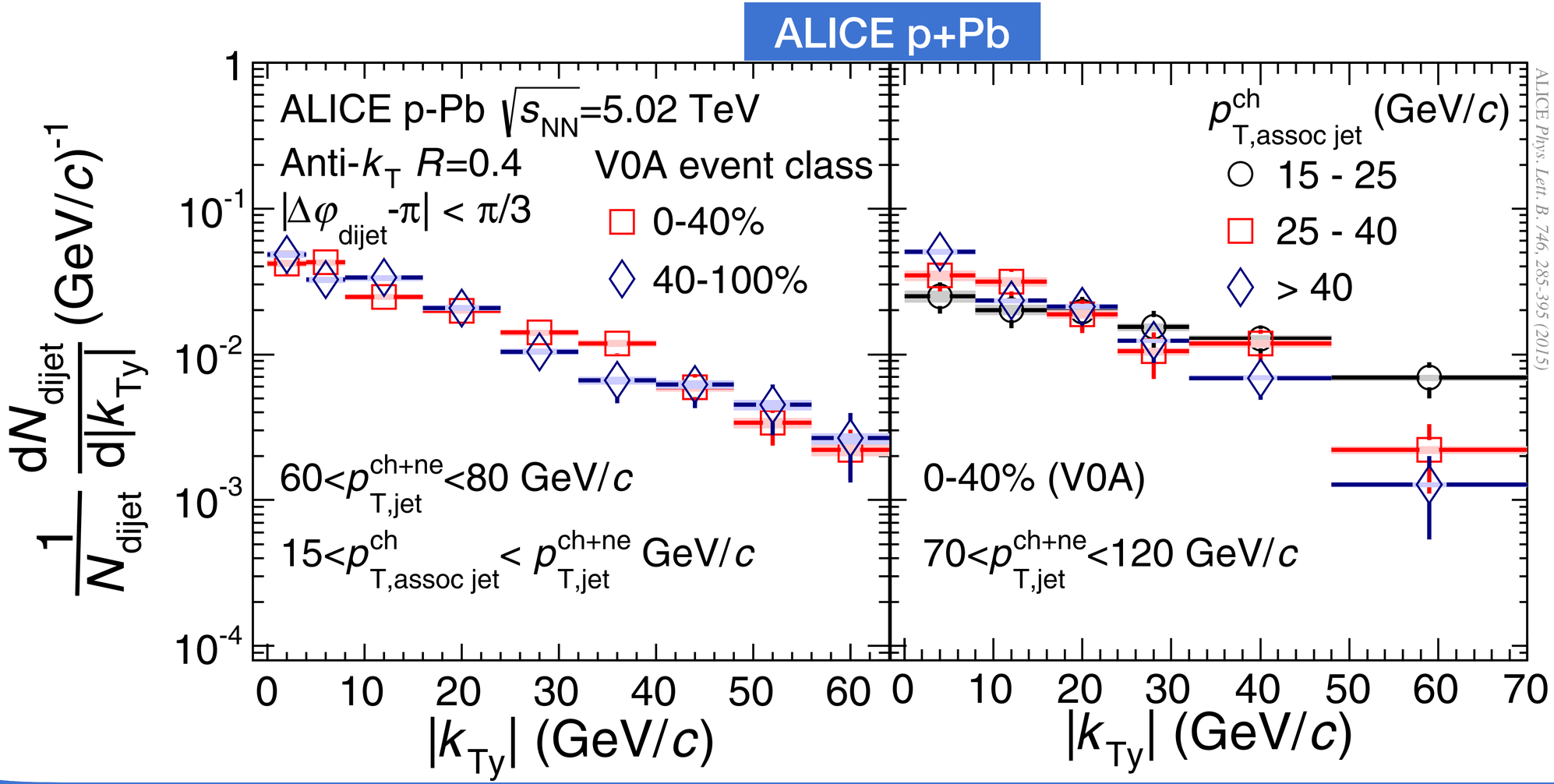

Inclusive dijet acoplanarity

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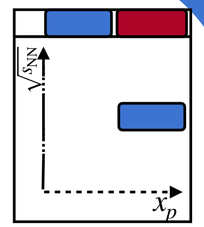

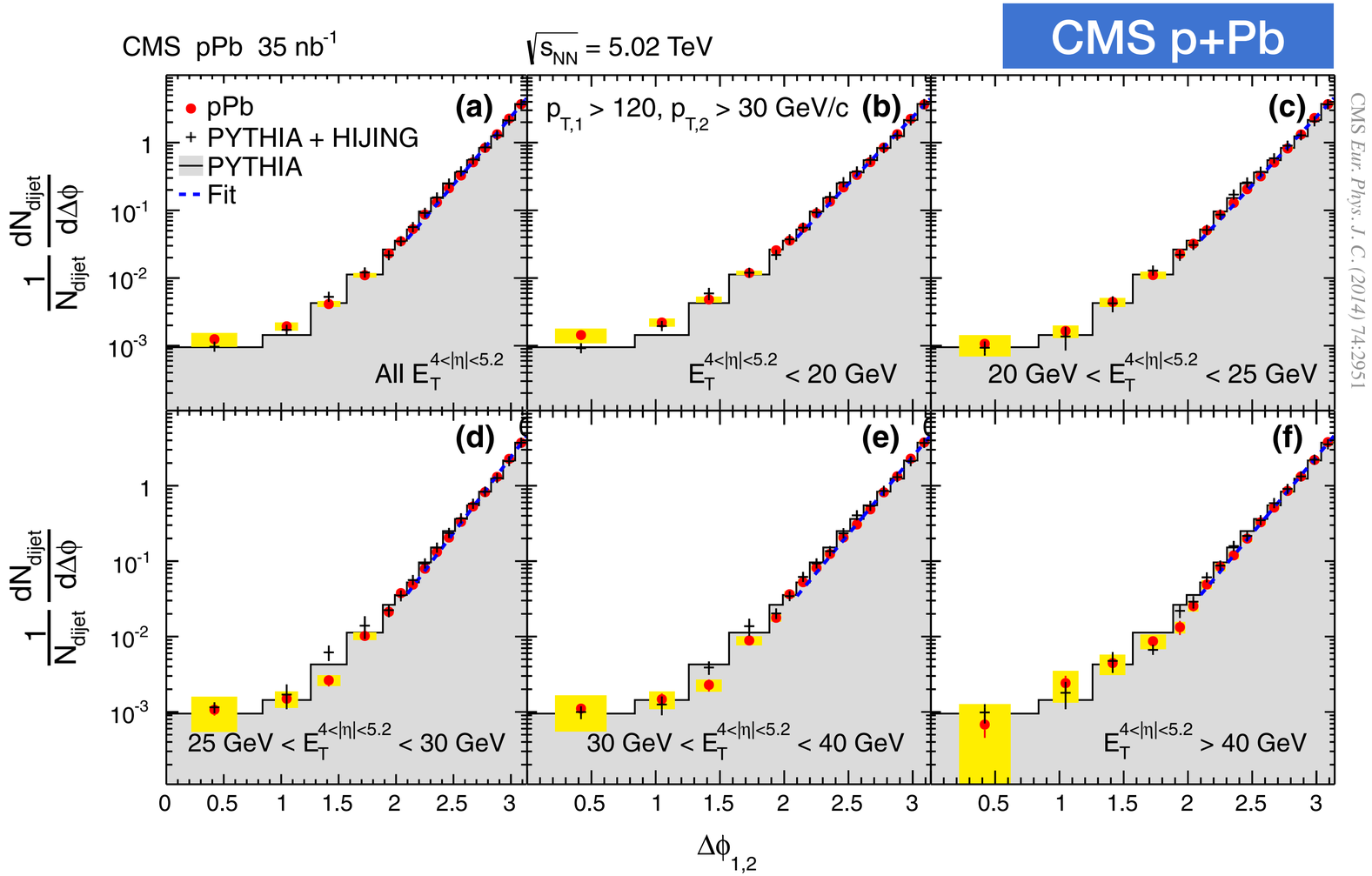

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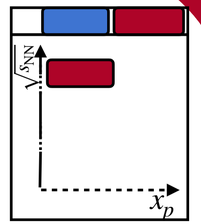

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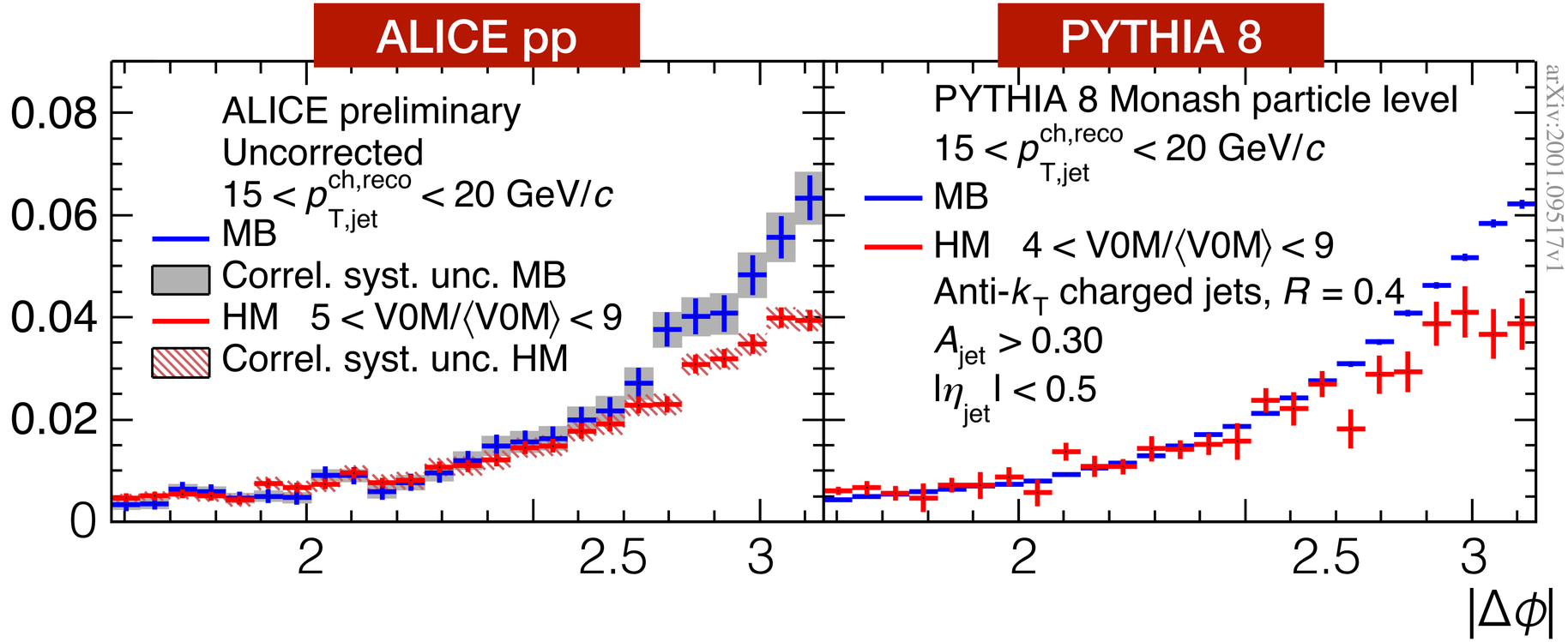

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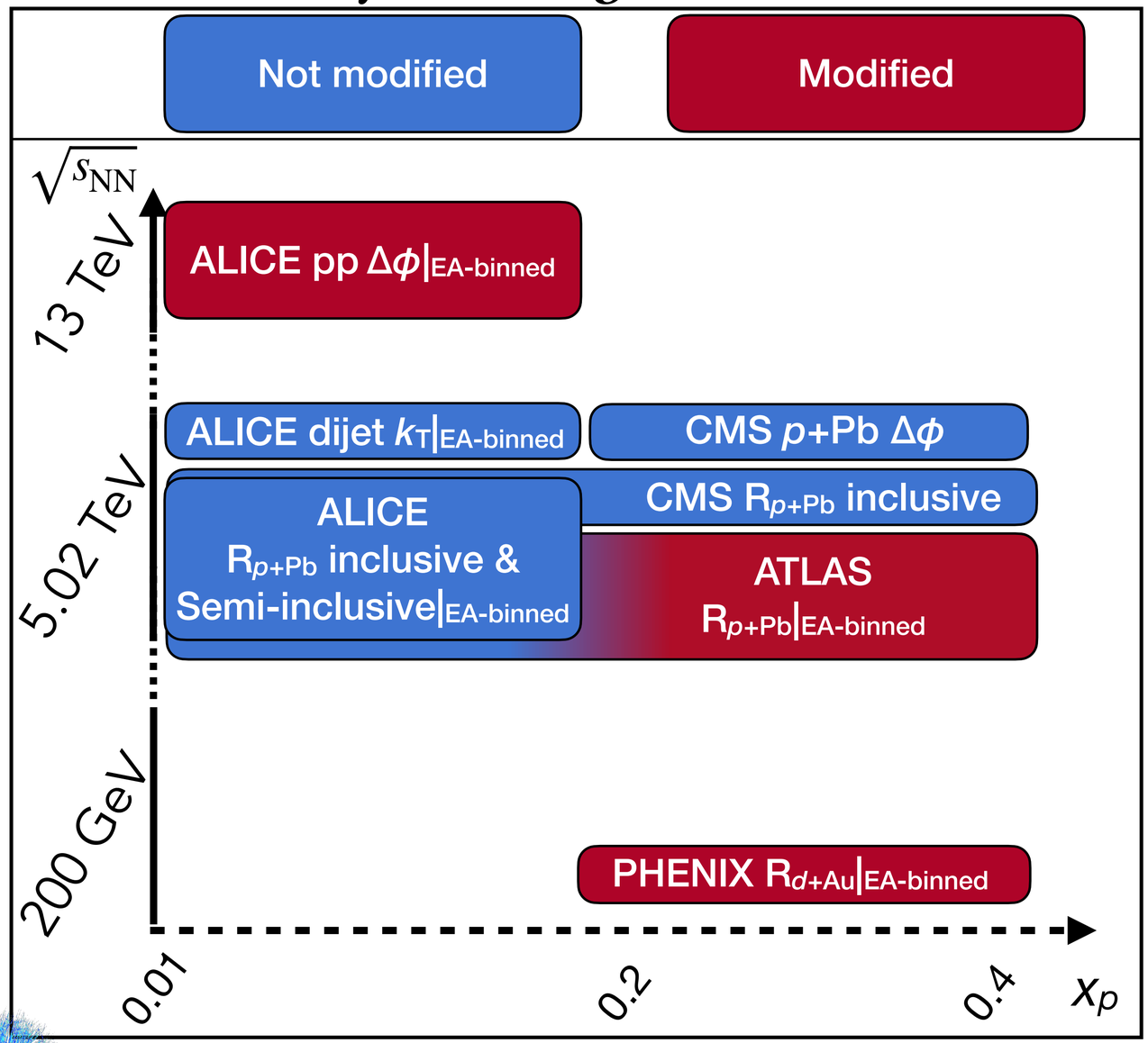

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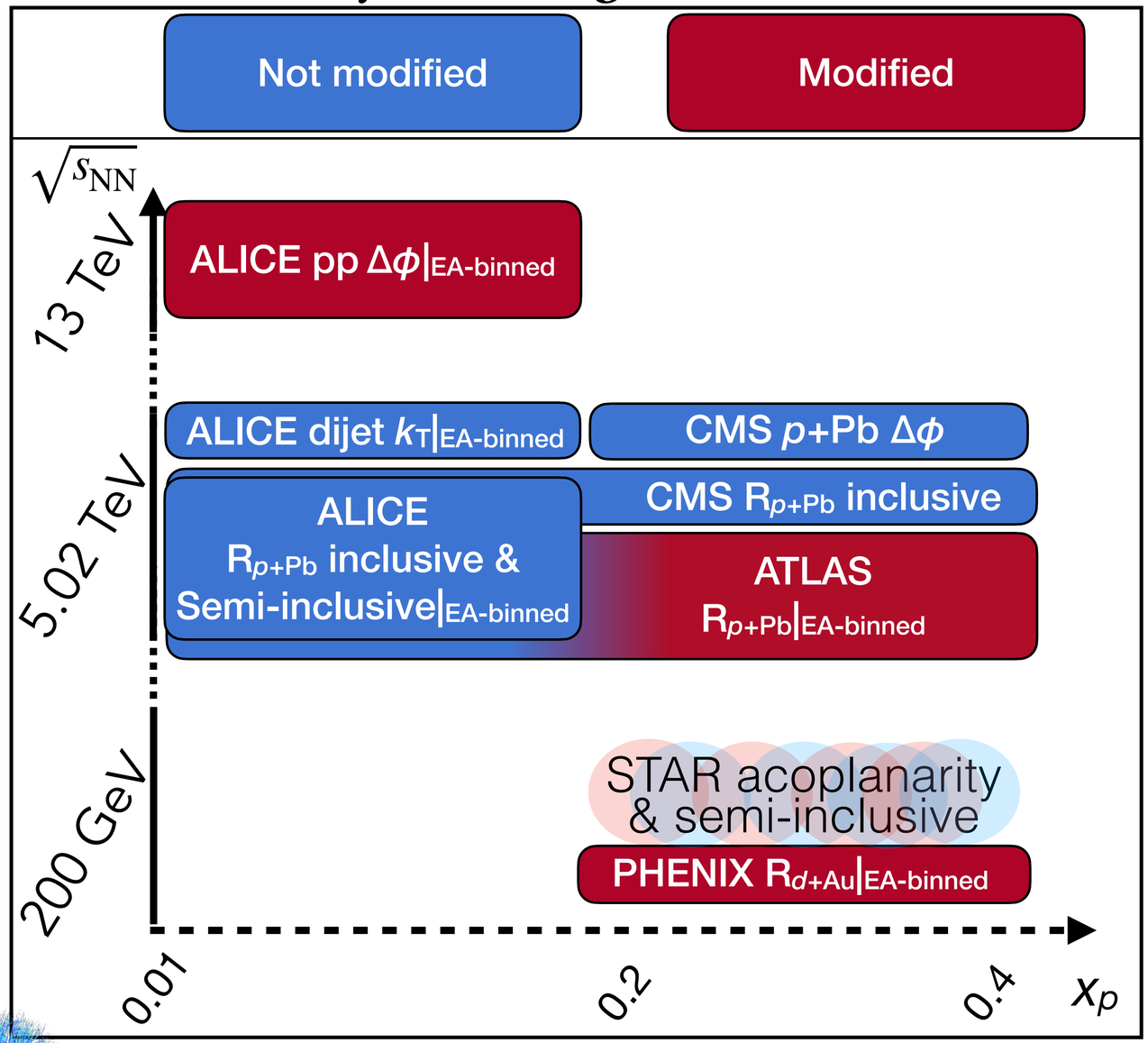

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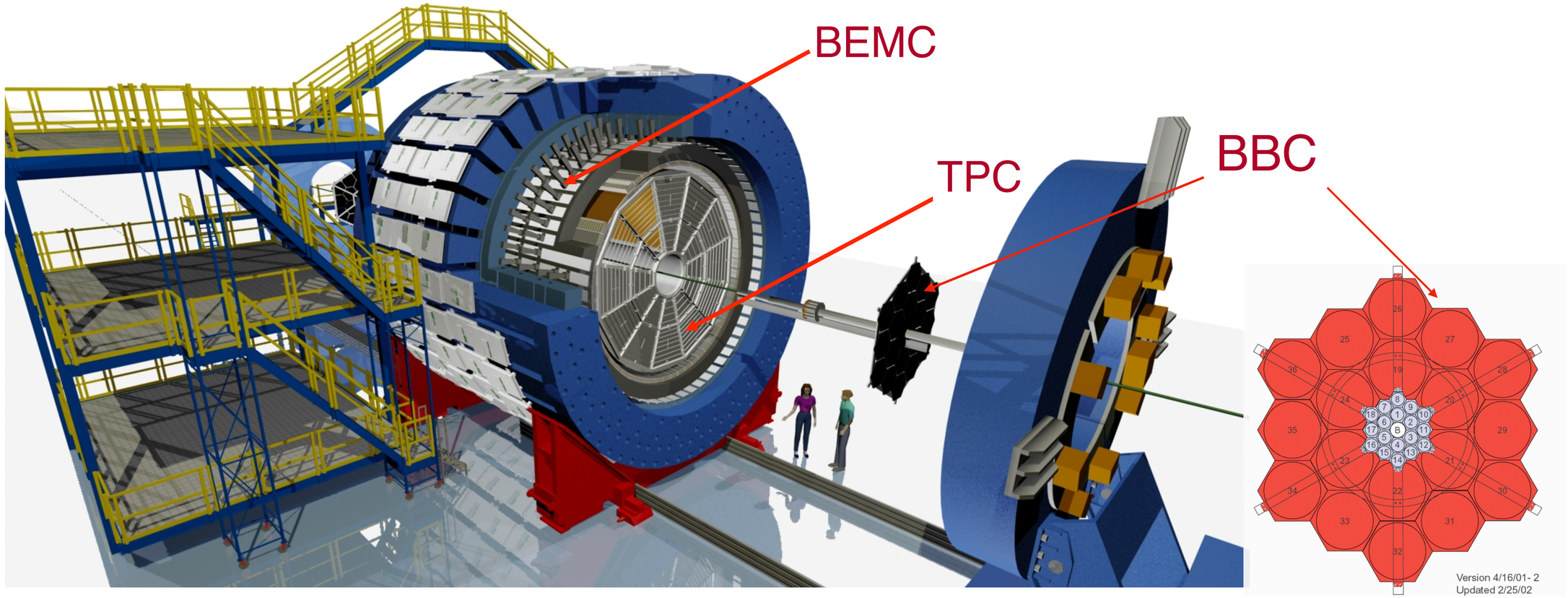
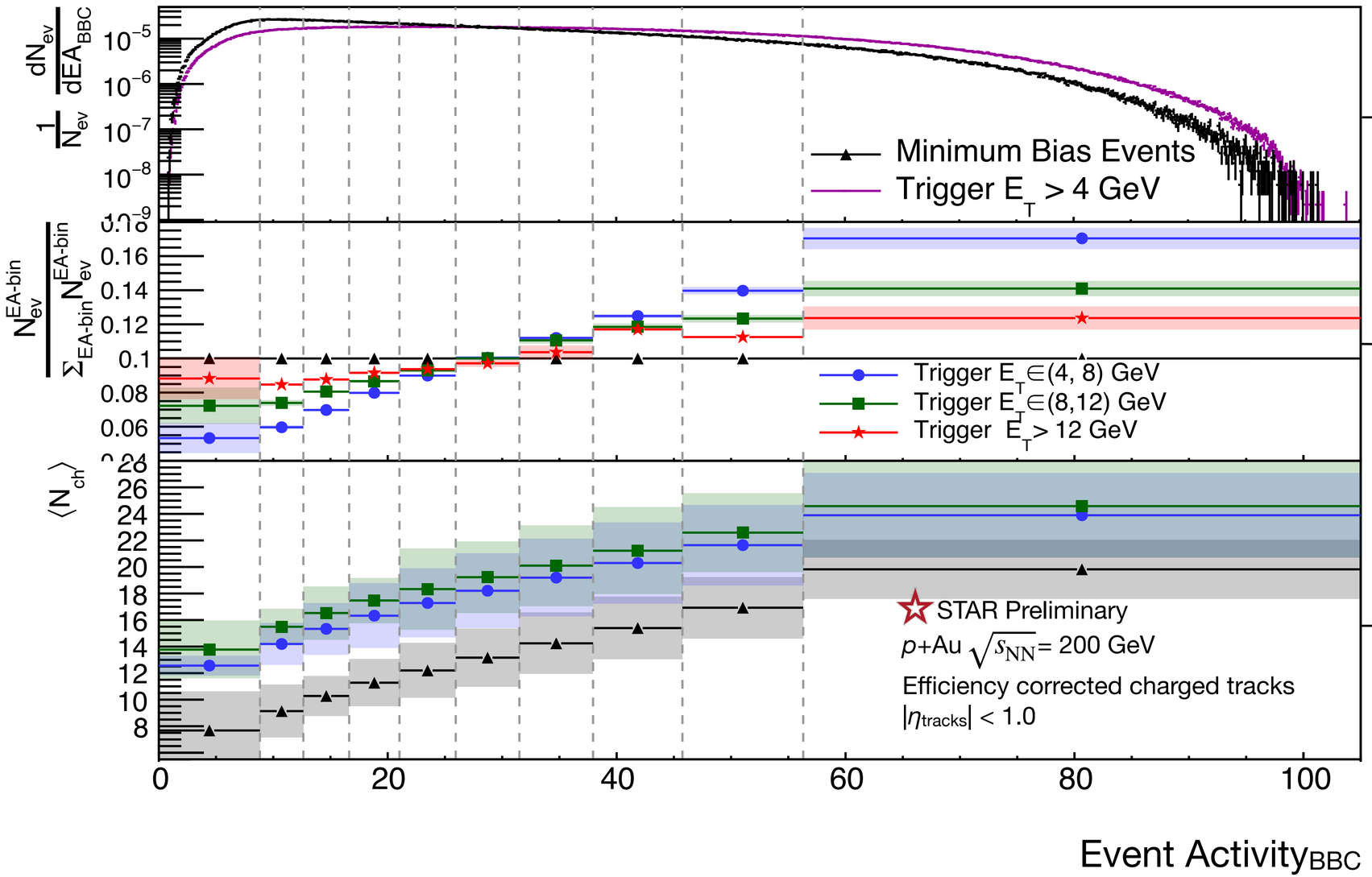


- Time Projection Chamber (TPC): charged tracks with η, ϕ, & p_T at $|\eta|<1.0$
- Barrel Electromagnetic Calorimeter (BEMC): energy deposition, primarily neutral particles at $|\eta|<1.0$
- Beam Beam Counter (BBC): plastic scintillators in two rings: $2<|\eta|<3.4$ and $3.4<|\eta|<5.0$
- BBC, in Au-going direction, corrected for vertex position along the beam direction and luminosity, is EA estimator

Au-going BBC at STAR works as EA estimator



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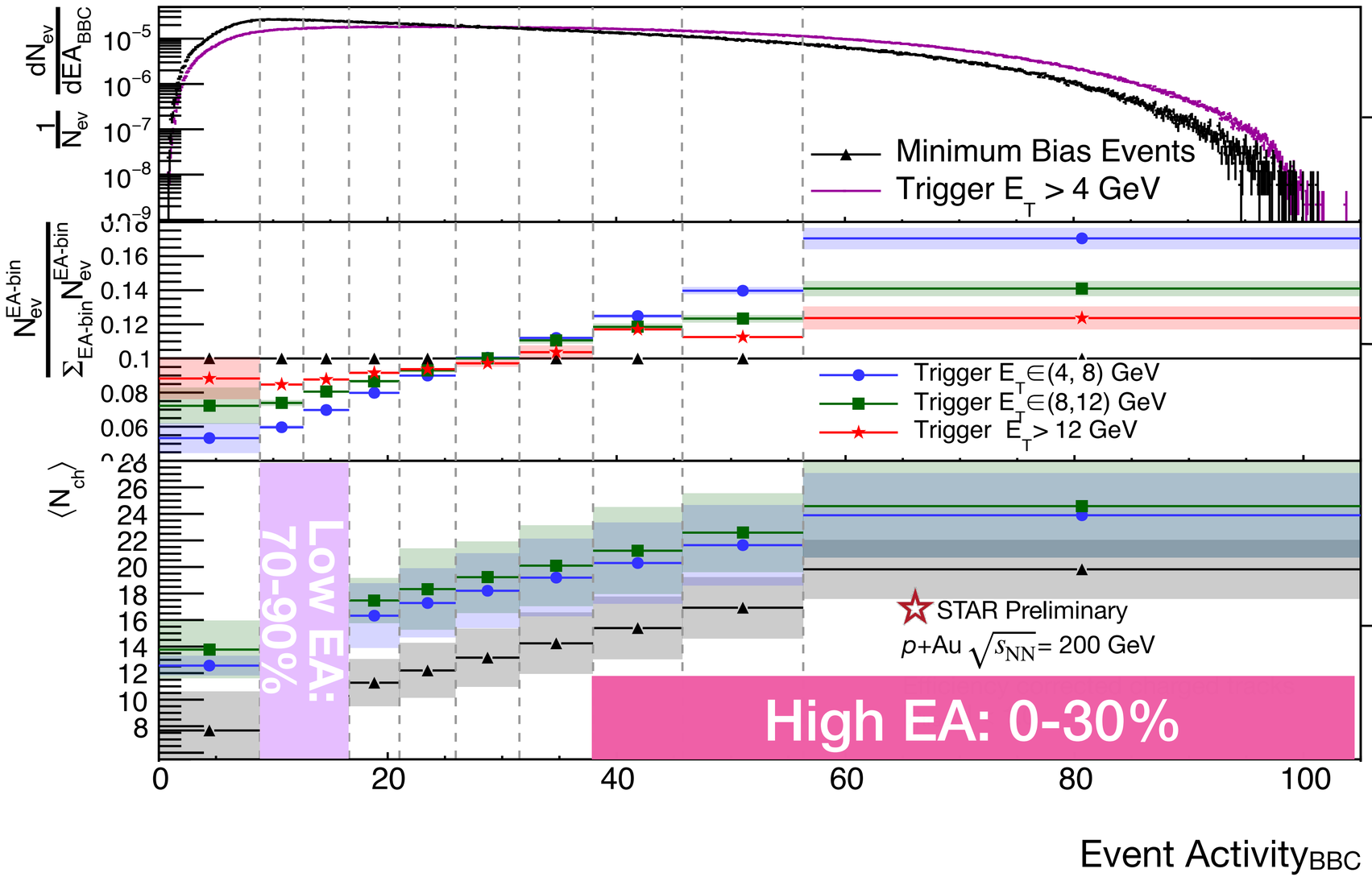

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Charged Tracks to Jets

- Jets:
  - anti-k_T
  - R=0.4
  - $|\eta|<1$
- Binned in $\Delta\phi$ in $\pi/8$ slices from the trigger
- Jet spectra *(S)* presented in this talk are raw uncorrected, detector level
- Tracking efficiency is EA-independent & **negligible underlying event**
  - $S_{0-30\%\mathrm{EA}} / S_{70-90\%\mathrm{EA}}$ expected to be insensitive to corrections

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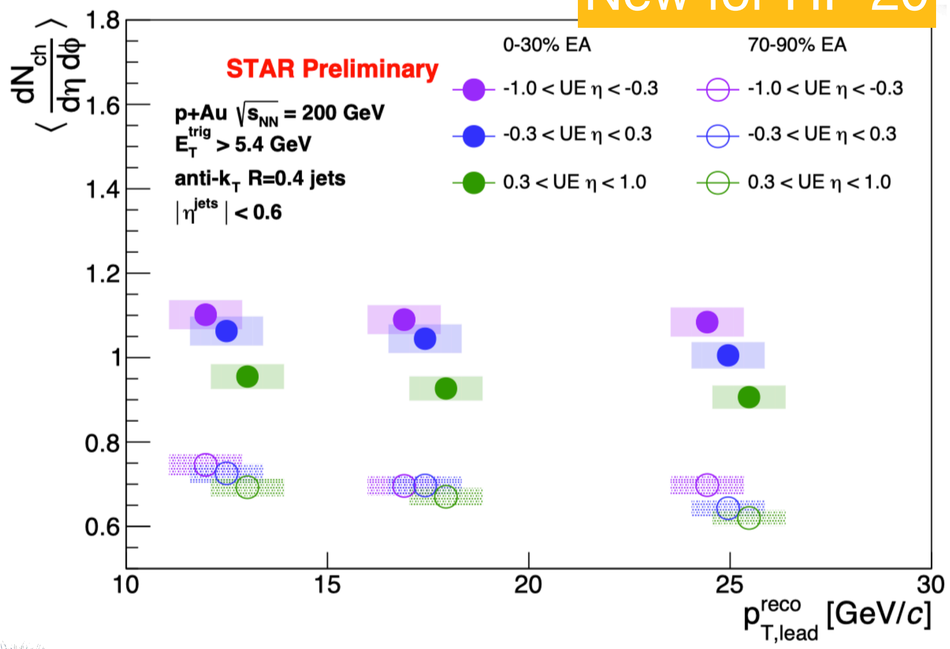

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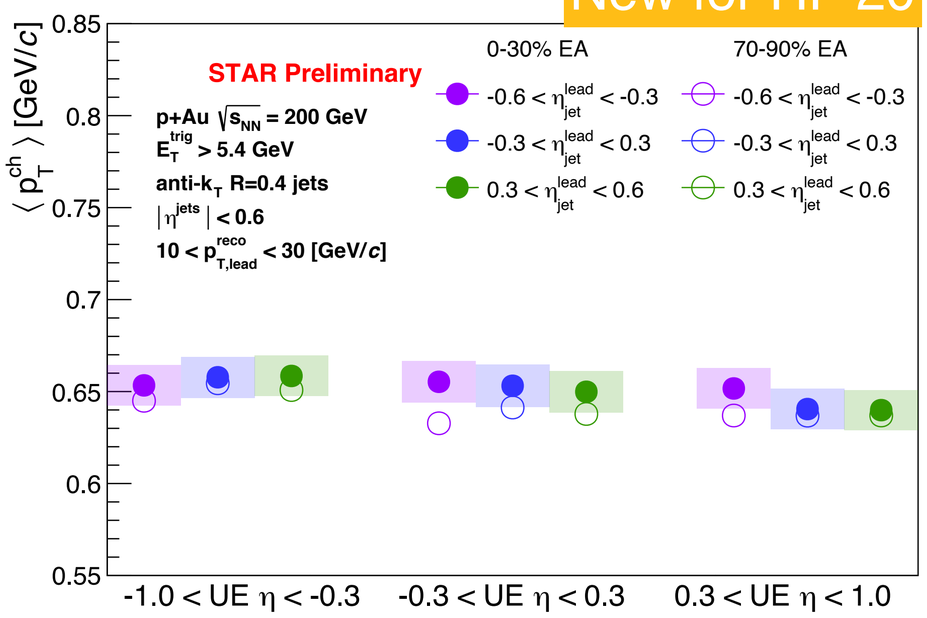

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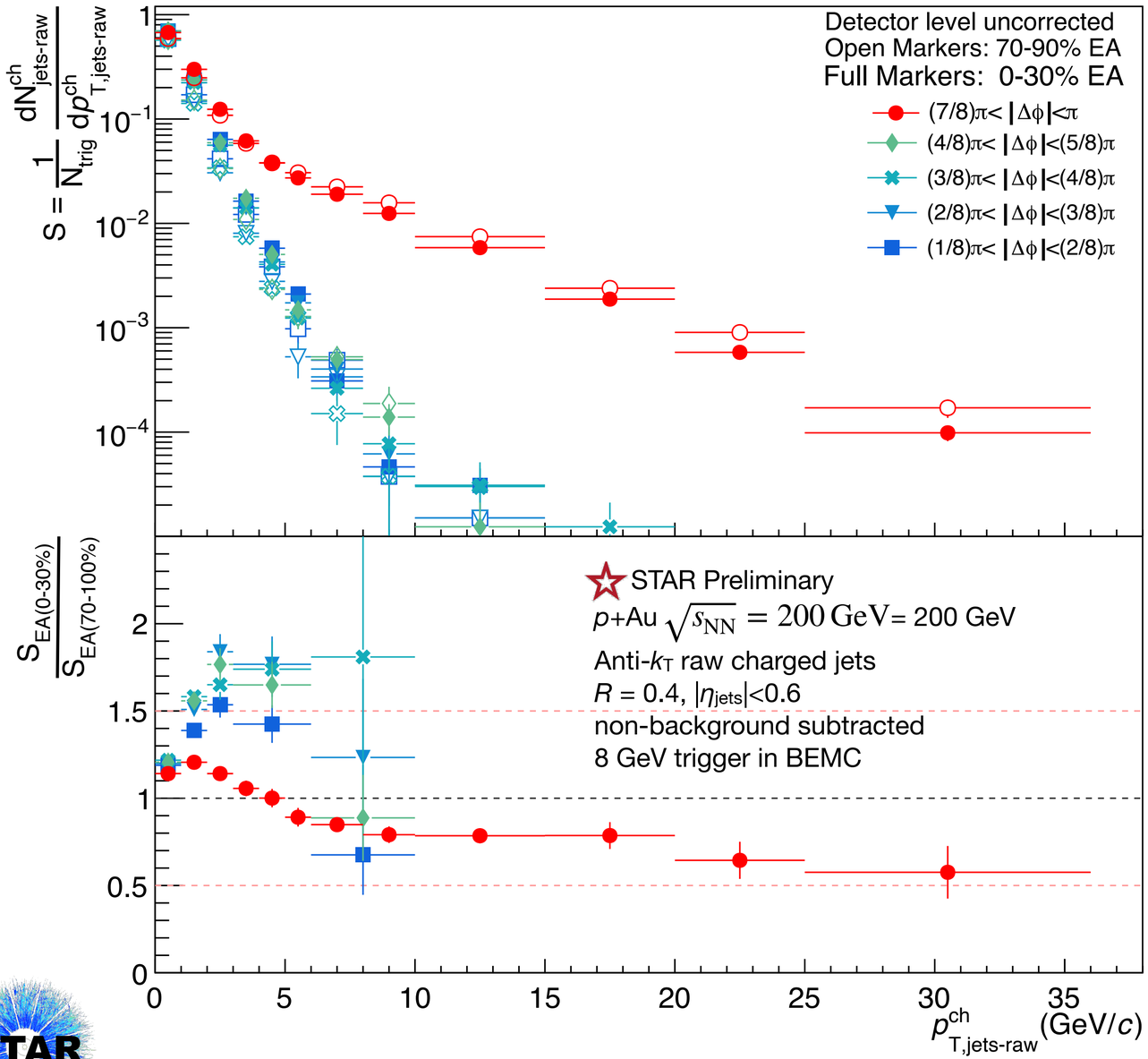
Poster Session:
Poster 249
By: Veronica Verkest

- Mean underlying event (EA) of about 1 particle at about 650 MeV/c per unit $\eta\phi$
- Refer to poster for:
  - EA and UE correlations to mid-η hard scatterings
  - High p_T events vs. dijet events

Suppressed recoil & negligible transverse spectra



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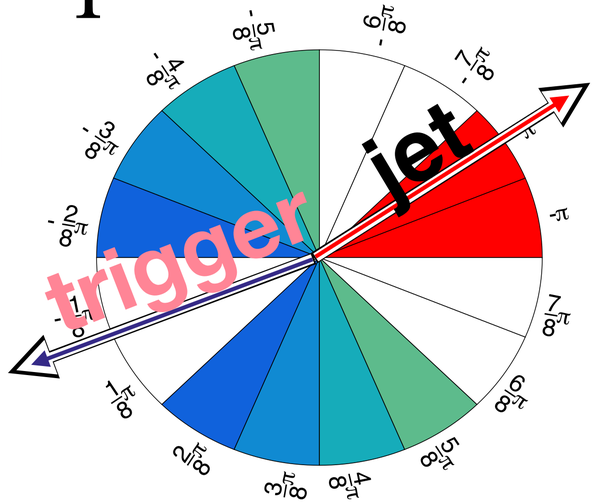
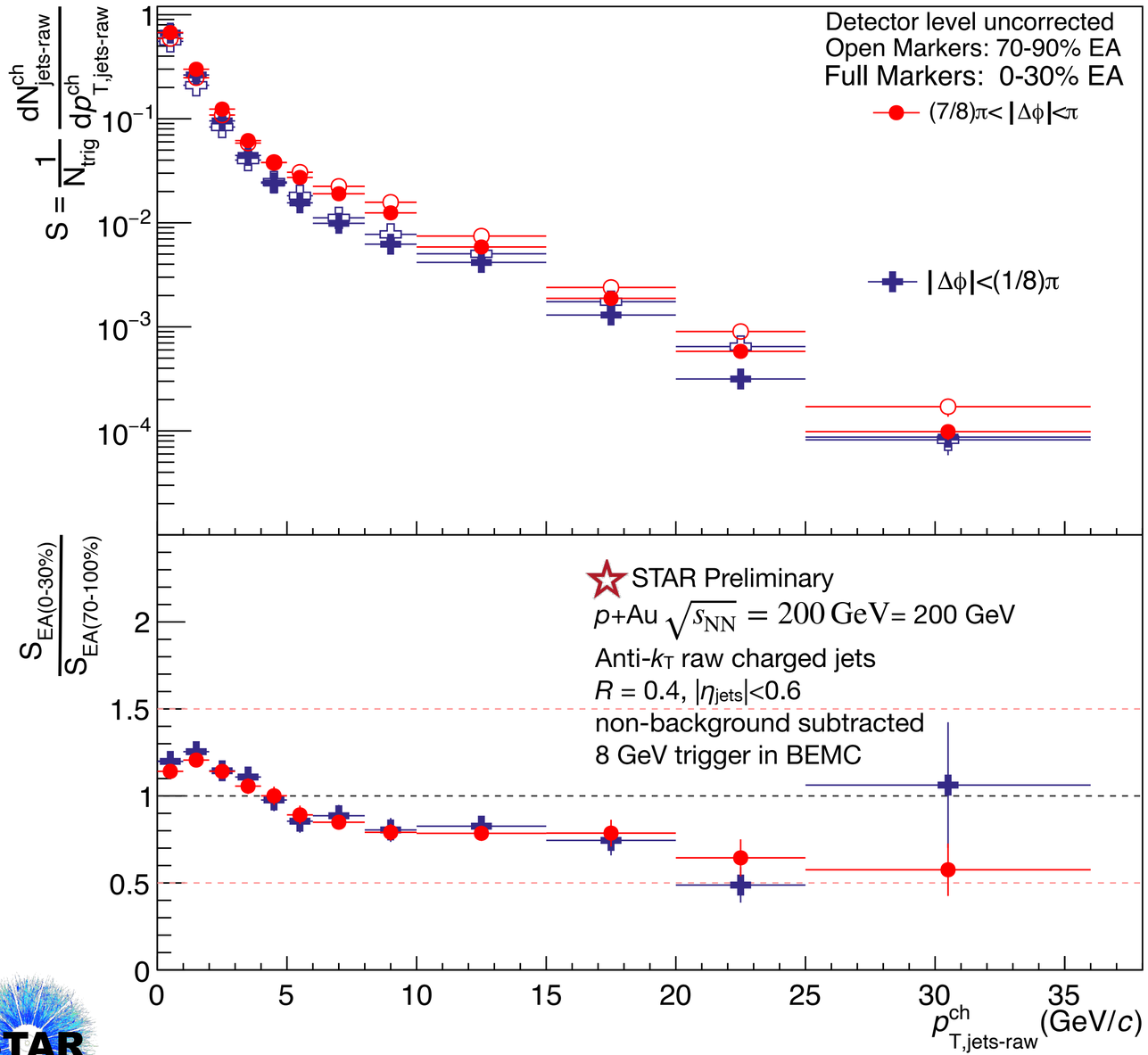


- At "jet-like" p_T (>~8 GeV/c) transverse $\Delta\phi$ (background) negligible compared to recoil spectra

  ➡ background correction negligible for $S_{0-30\%\mathrm{EA}}$ & $S_{70-90\%\mathrm{EA}}$

Both same-side and recoil spectra suppressed



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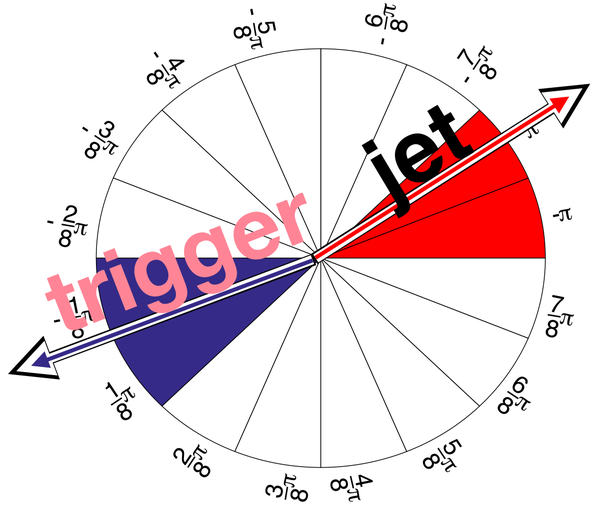
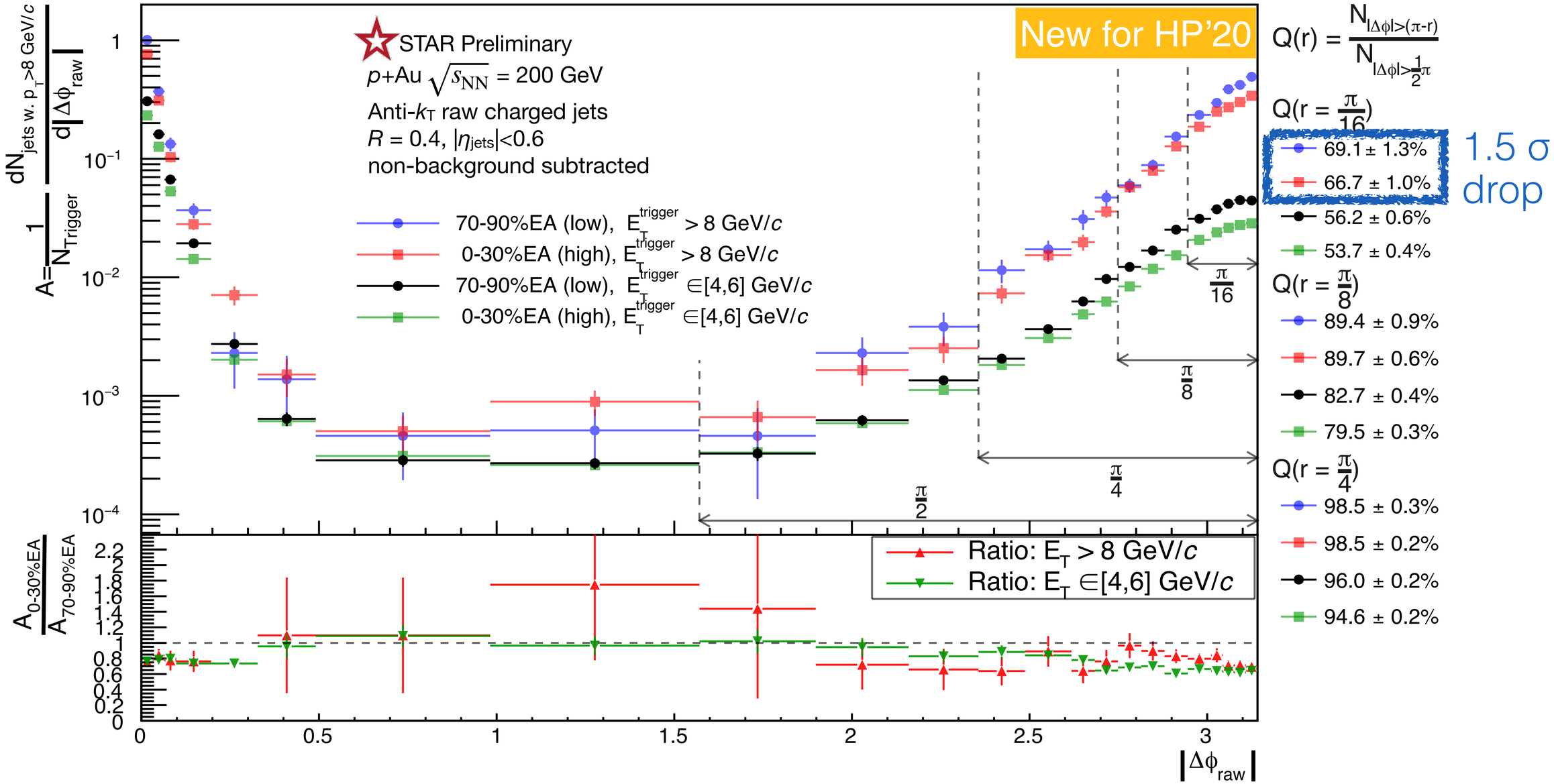


- Both near and recoil jets suppressed in high EA relative to low EA
- Qualitatively different from quenching in QGP in A+A collisions
  - In A+A collisions, away-side jets are preferentially more quenched due to trigger surface bias

Acoplanarity minimally modified by EA



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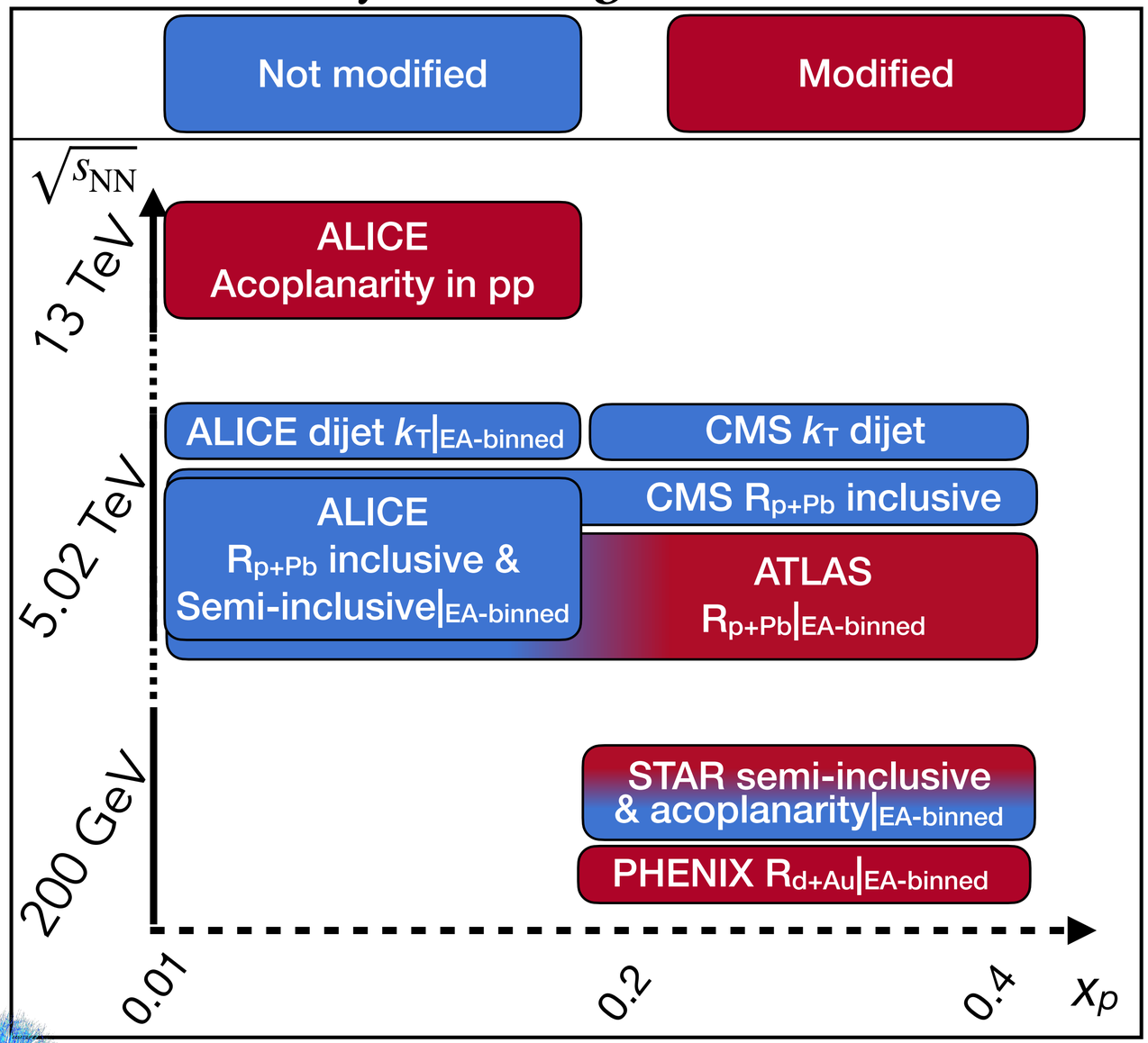
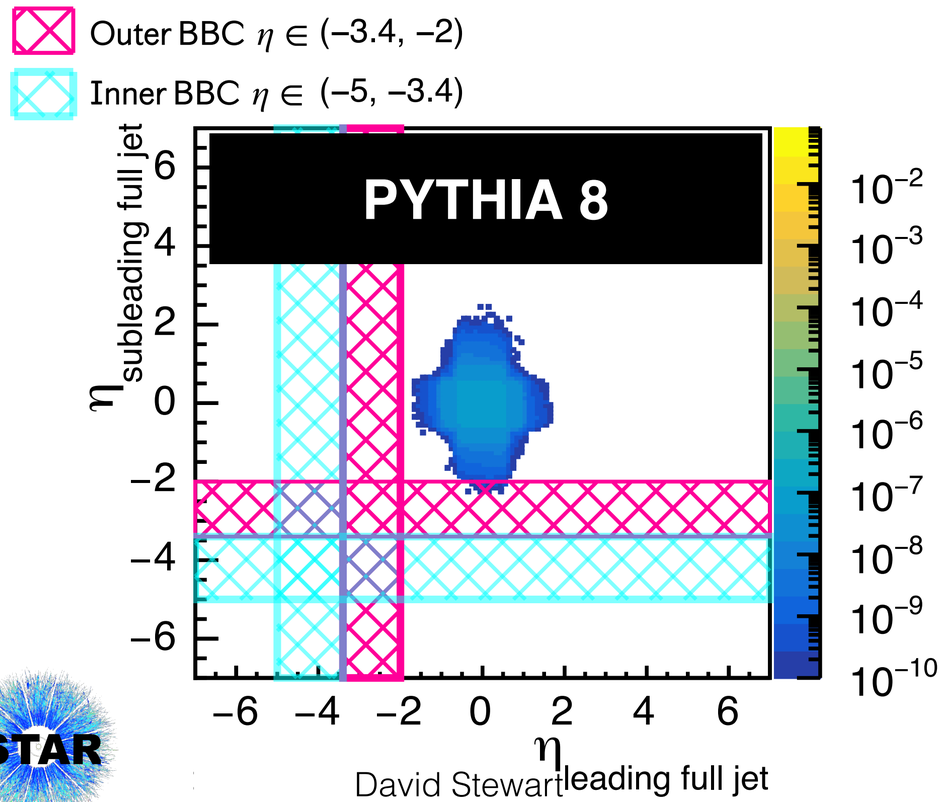


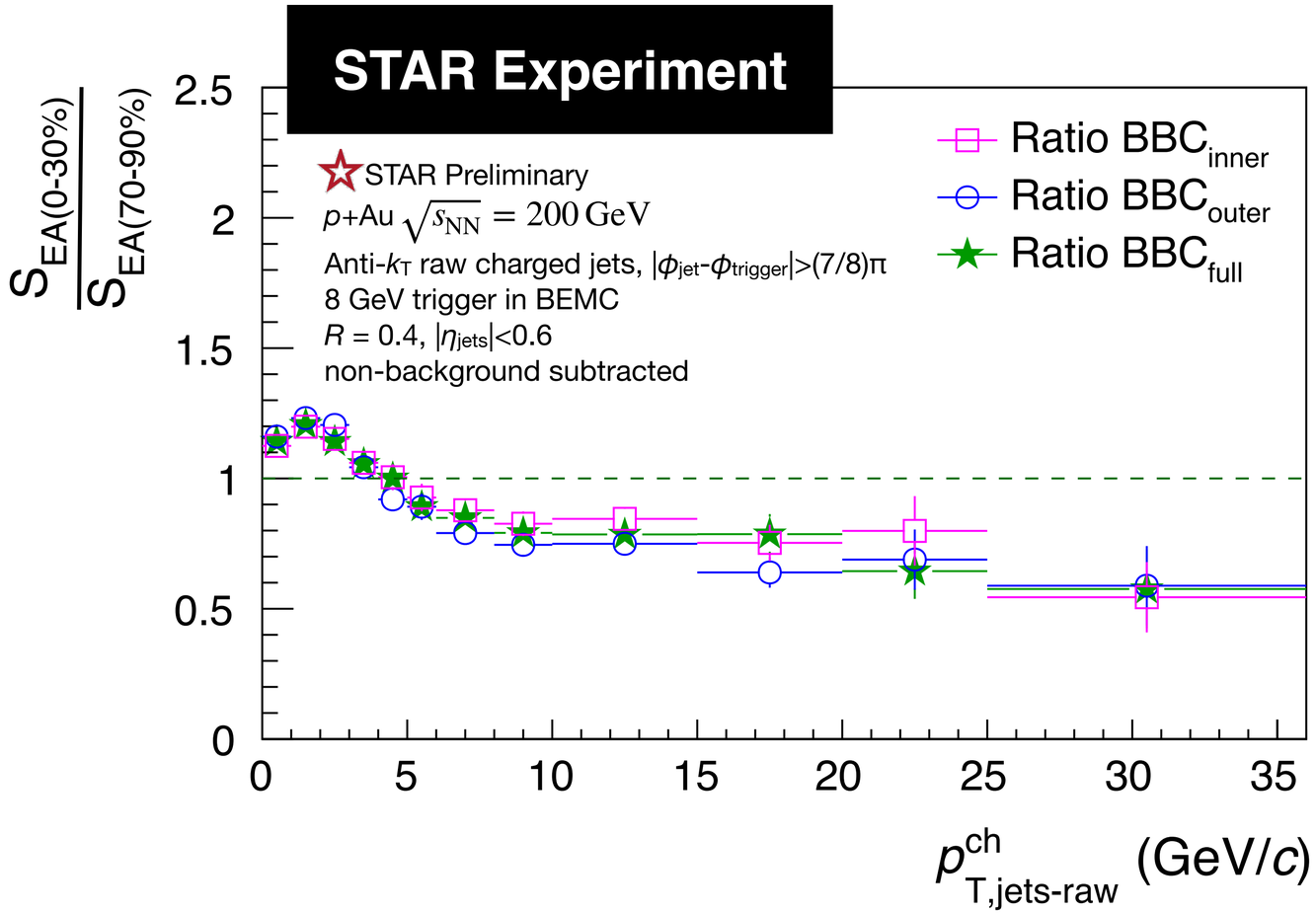
- 200 GeV *p*+Au collisions at STAR:
  - Marked suppression of high-EA recoil jet p_T spectra relative to low-EA spectra
  - Indication of broadening of recoil peak in acoplanarity
- Both STAR and ALICE results in qualitative agreement with PYTHIA
- Why does PYTHIA (which has no jet quenching) agree with the STAR results?

Spectra modification *not* due to dijets hitting BBC

- In PYTHIA 8 (with 200 GeV *pp* collisions)
  - When an event has the required trigger particle and an 8 GeV/*c* jet, the outer BBC is rarely hit and, within the precision of the study, the BBC inner is *never* hit



- In experimental data, sorting EA by outer vs inner BBC did not change the jet spectra suppression



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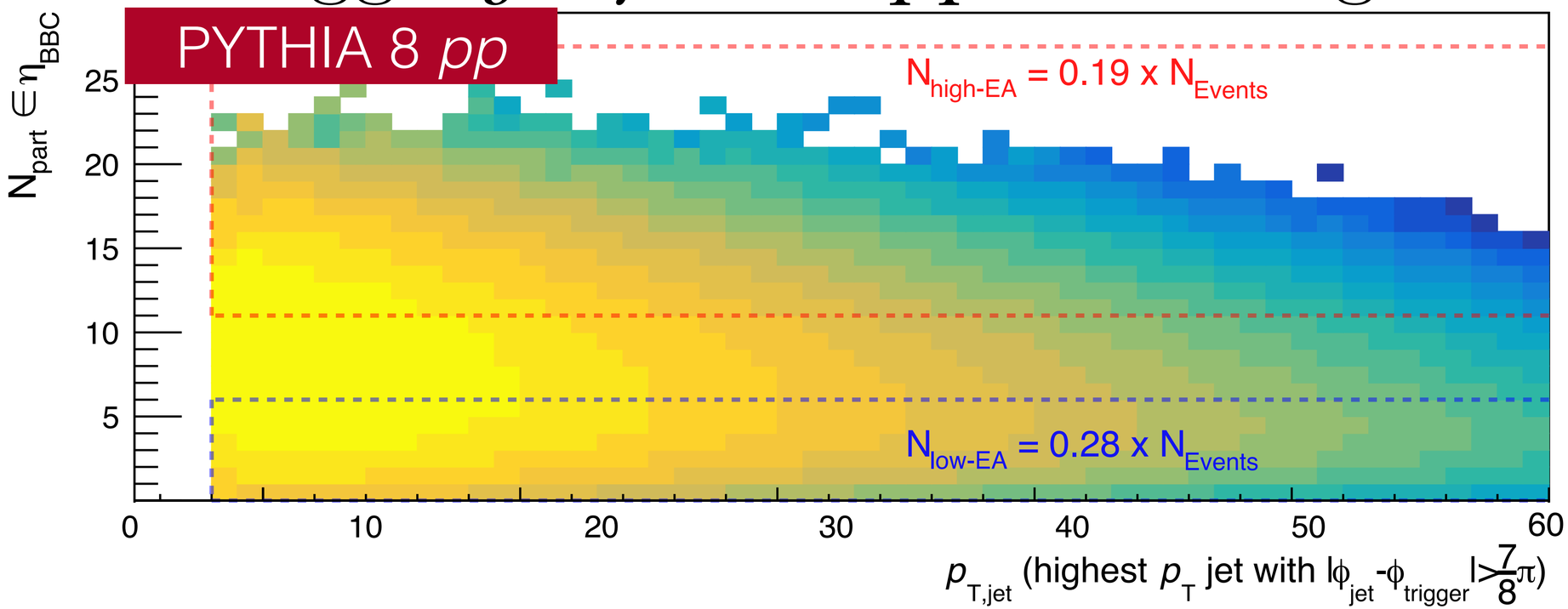

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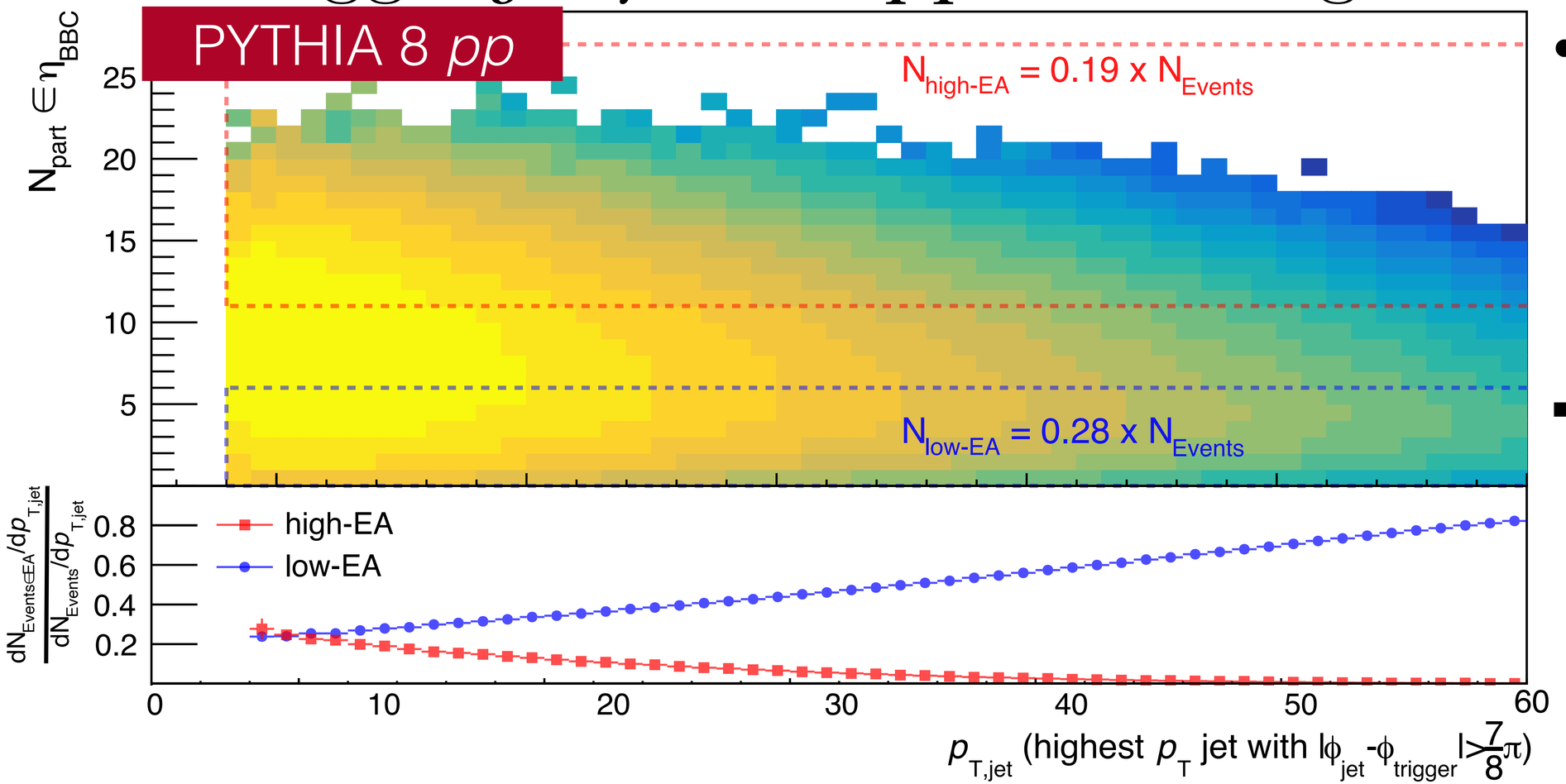

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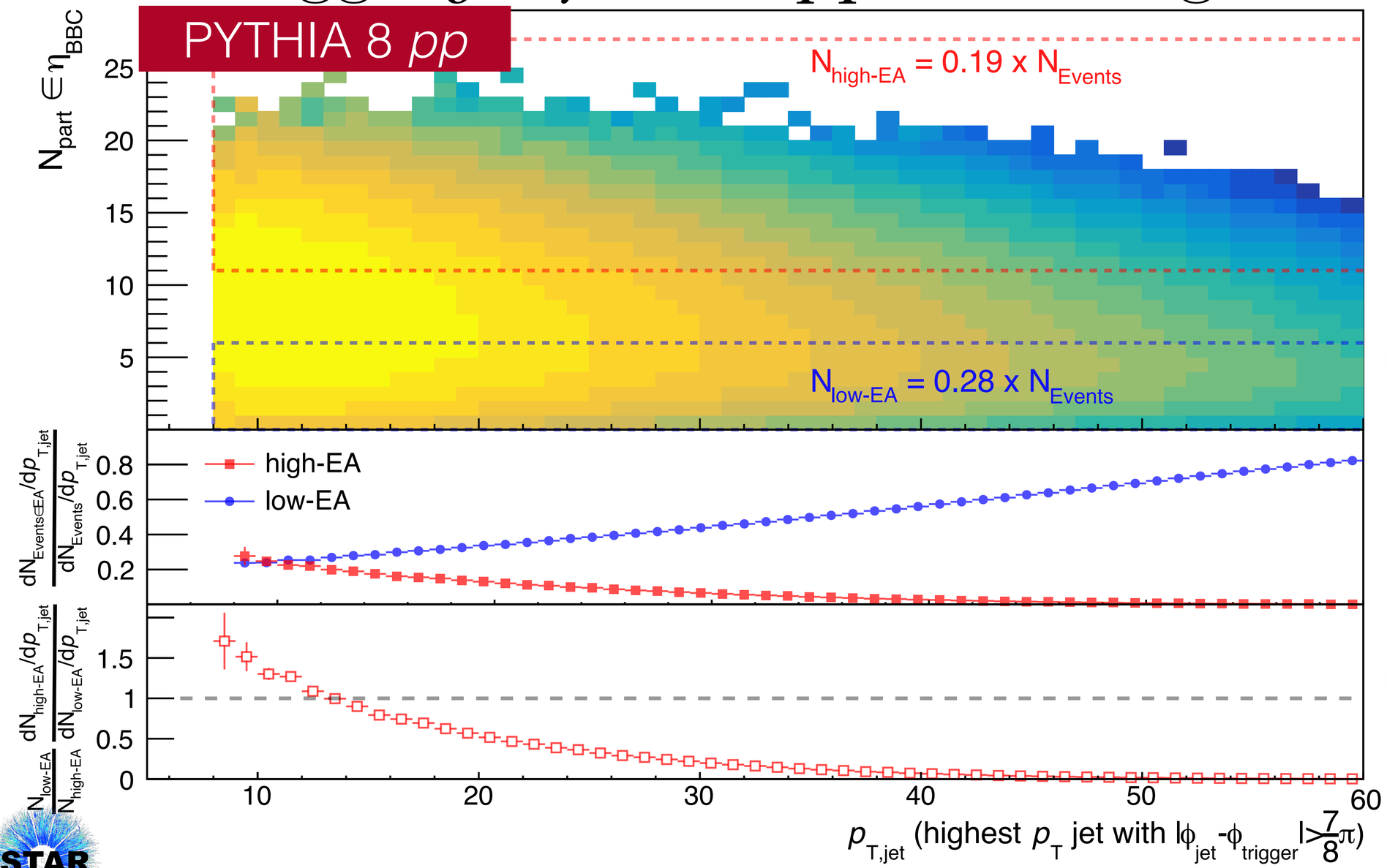

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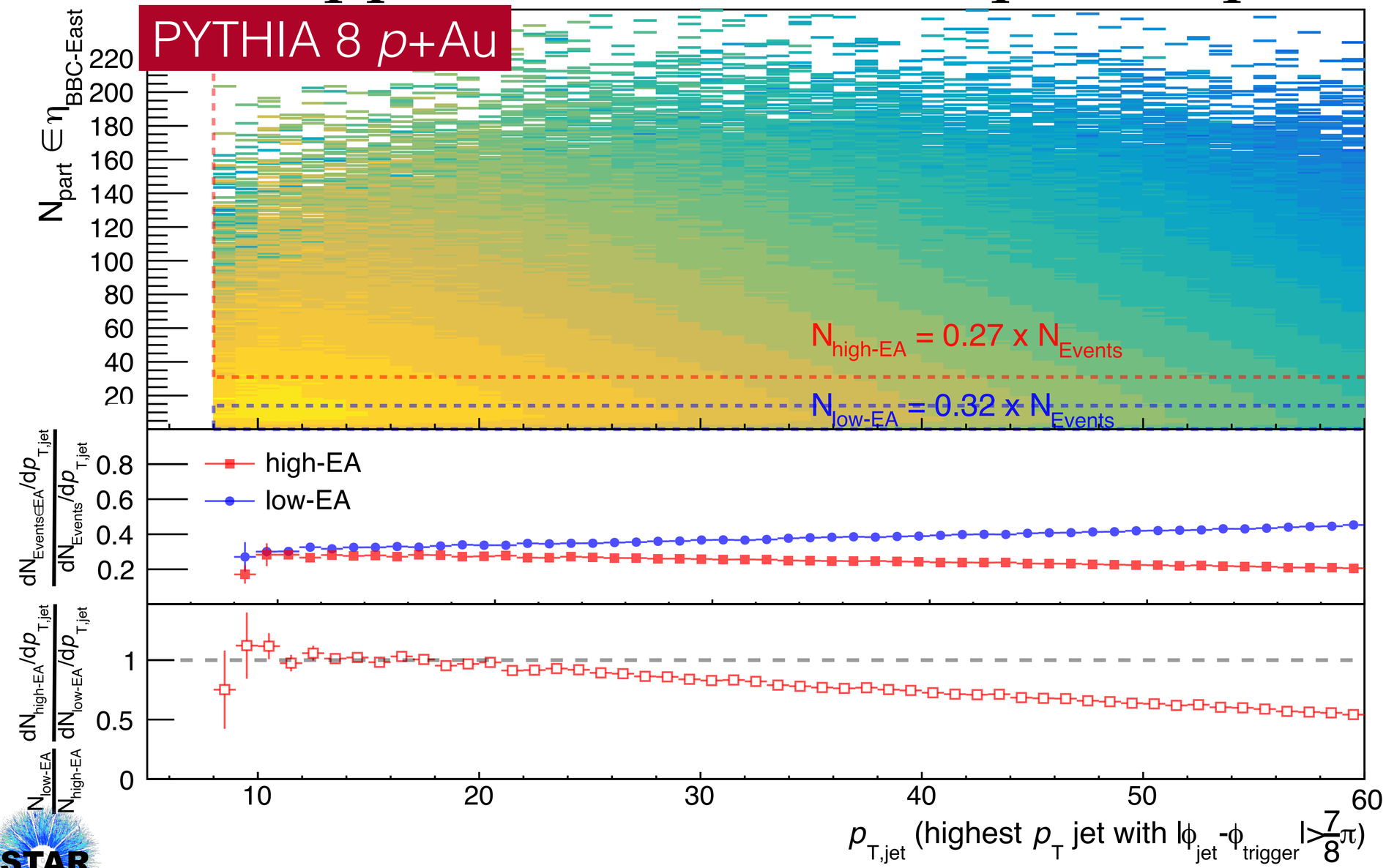

- PYTHIA 8 Angantyr heavy ion model predicts a smaller, but still significant suppression for *p*+Au collisions
- PYTHIA 8 acoplanarity results also less modified in *p*+Au than in *pp* collisions
- Are per-jet normalized observables modified?

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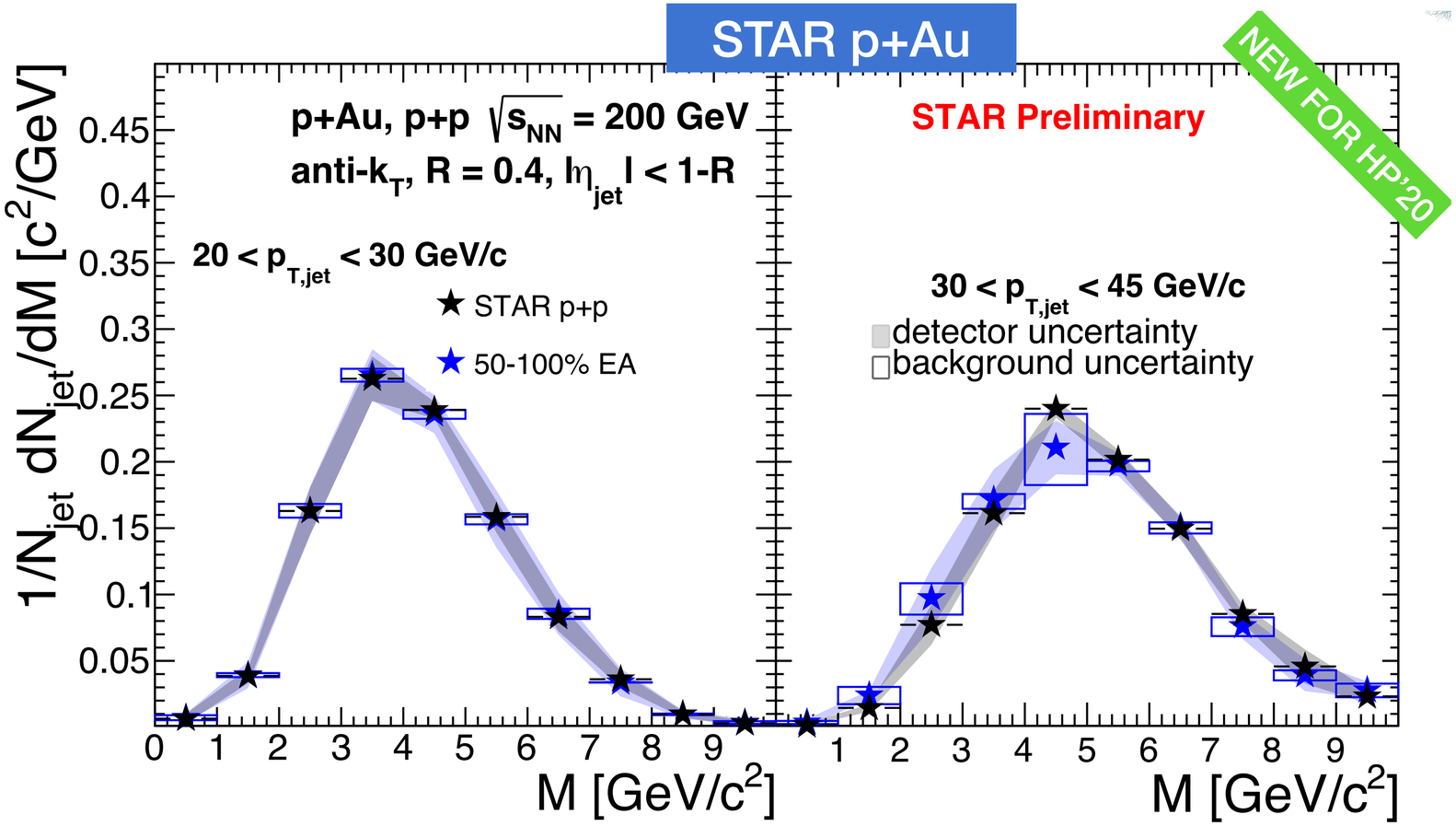
Jet mass: Inclusive and EA-binned

HP'2020: Jet mass distribution not modified



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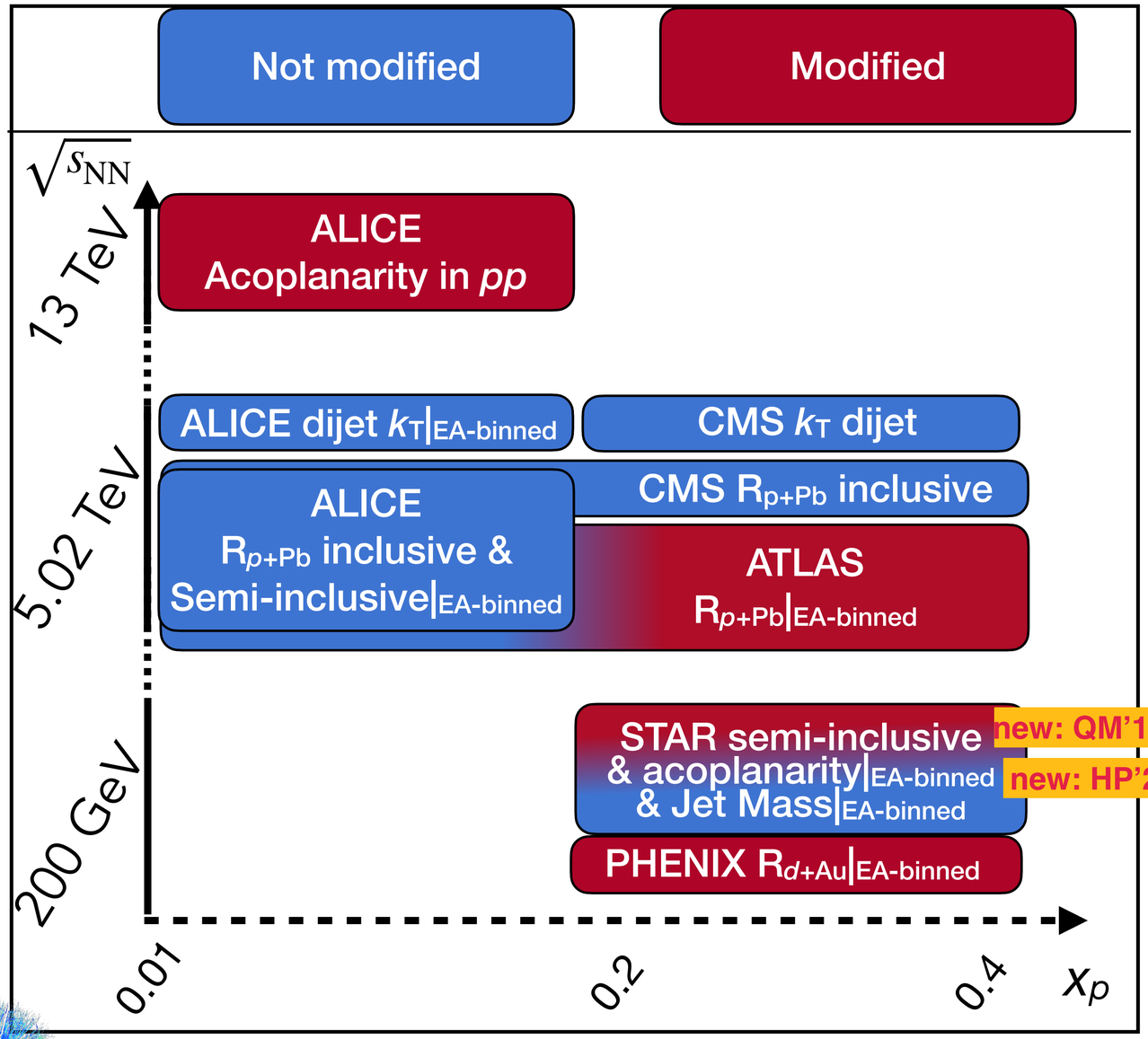
Parallel: Jets and High Momentum Hadrons
Given by: Isaac Mooney

*see also ALICE inclusive p+Pb result from 2018; also not modified

Small system jet modification score card



New STAR data in this presentation:

$\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ = 200 GeV, *p*+Au collisions

- Track correlations at $|\eta| \leq 1$ w/ EA at $\eta \in [-5,-2]$
  - Track multiplicity positively correlated
  - Trigger multiplicity positively, but increasingly weakly, correlated for 4, 8, and 12 GeV triggers
- Charged jet p_T spectra per trigger binned by high and low EA
  - High EA spectra strongly suppressed relative to low EA spectra
- Charged jet acoplanarity in high and low EA for 4-6 GeV and 8-30 GeV triggers
  - Acoplanarity minimally modified

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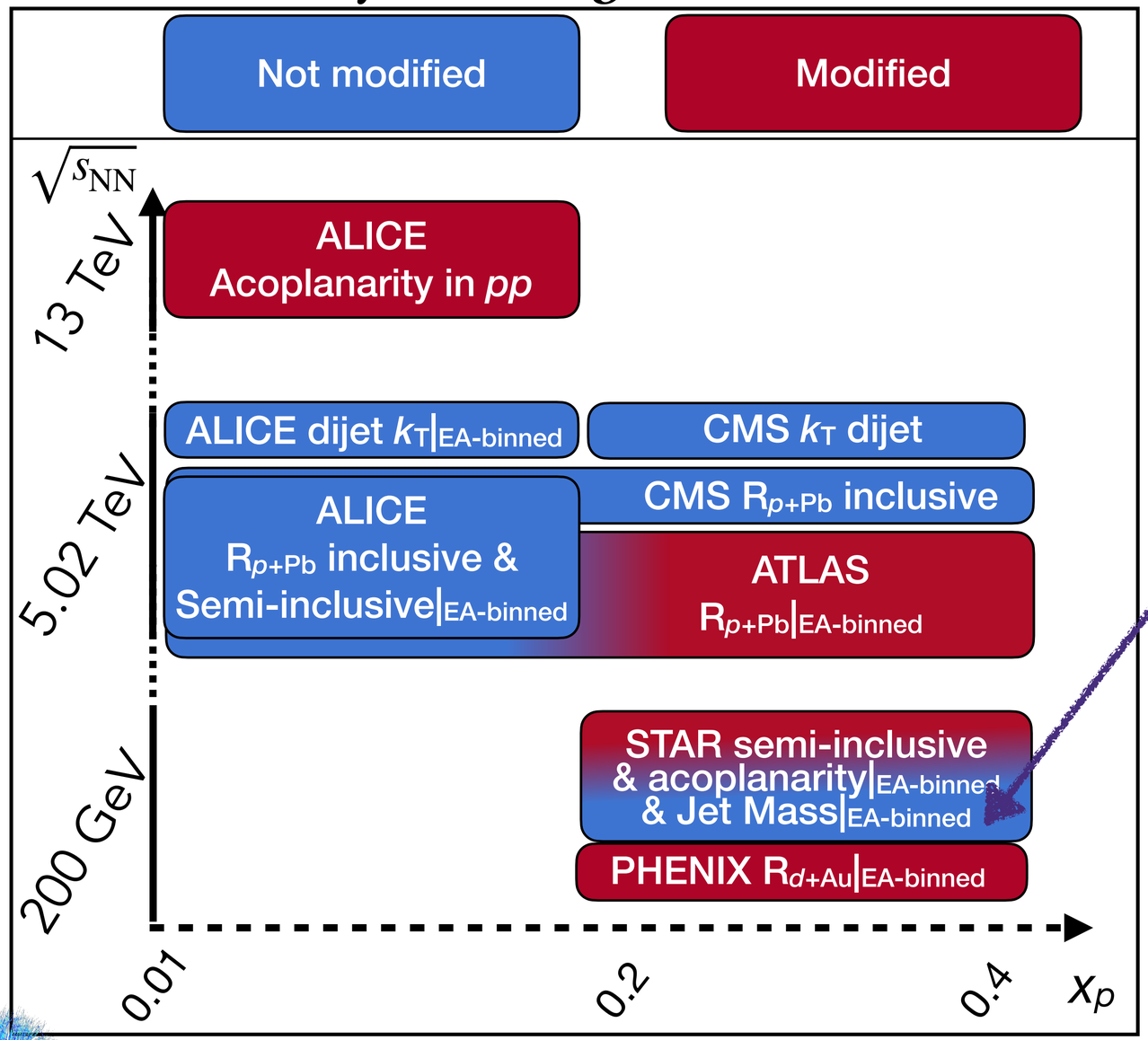


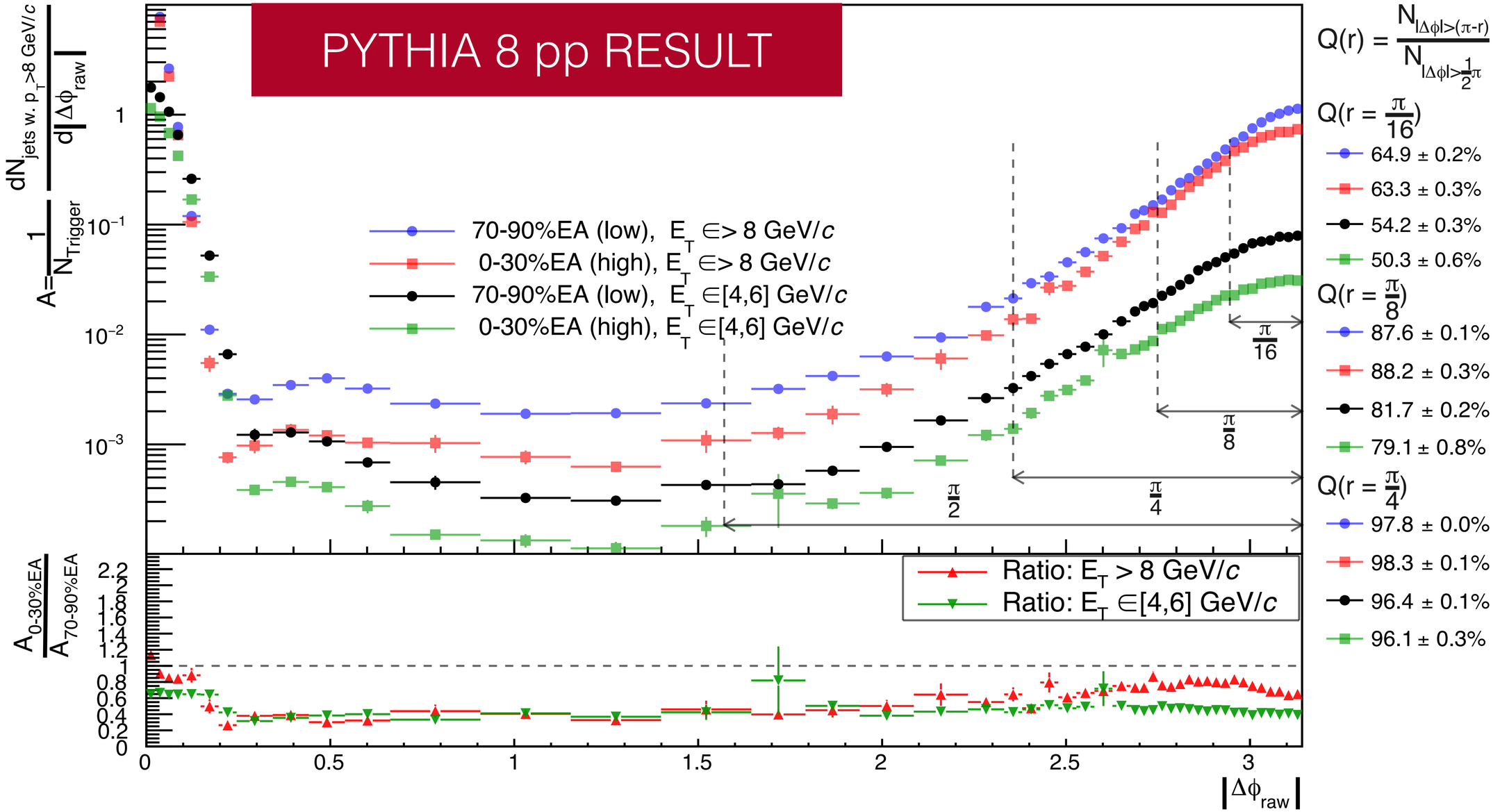
At $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ = 200 GeV

- PYTHIA 8 suggests that phase space restrictions anti-correlate mid-η jet p_T with high-η EA
- Explains semi-inclusive p+Au results?
- No jet mass modification
- Predict dijet momentum balance and other jet substructure observables EA independent
- More studies to come

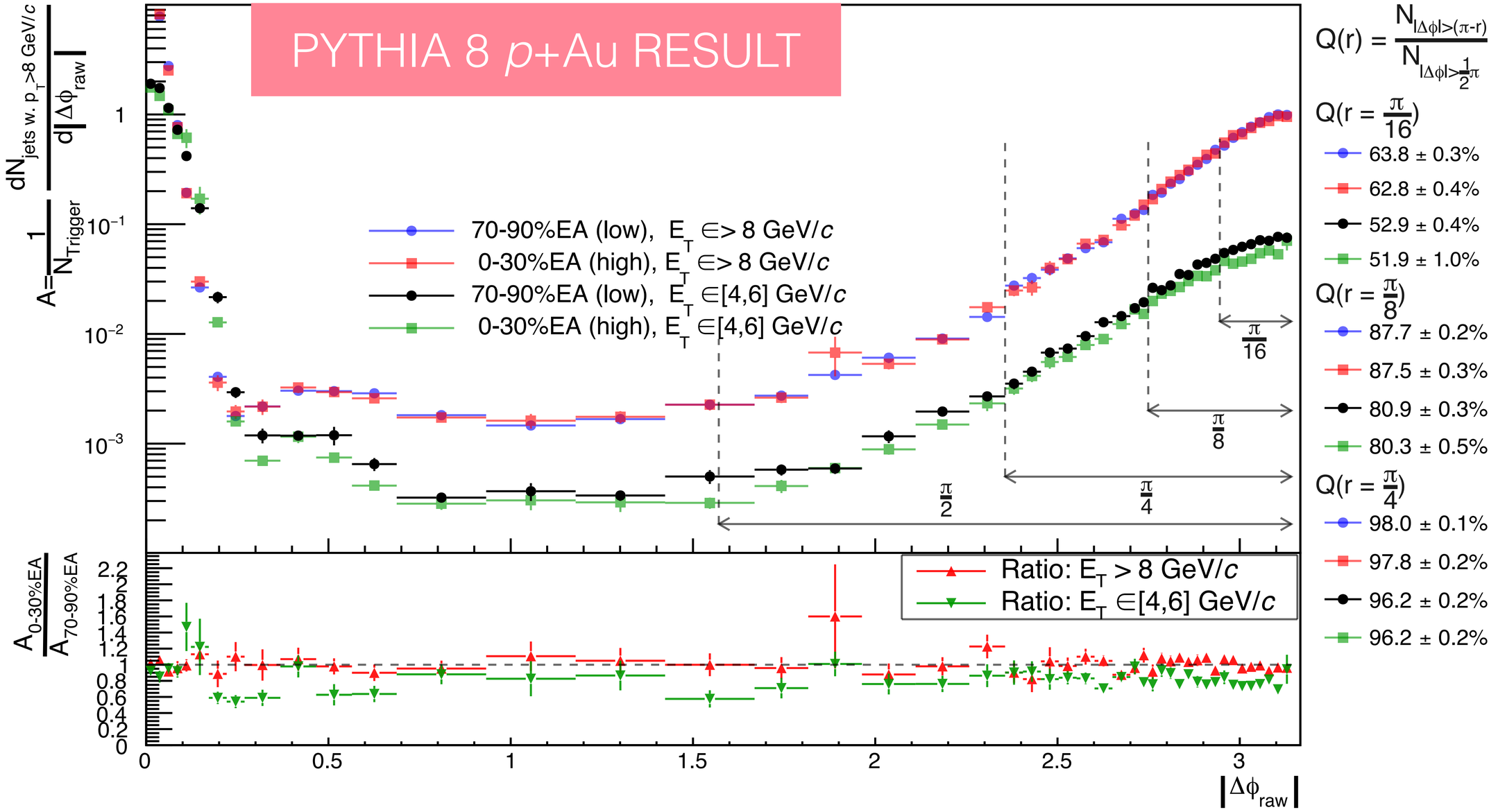
Thank you!

Extra Slides

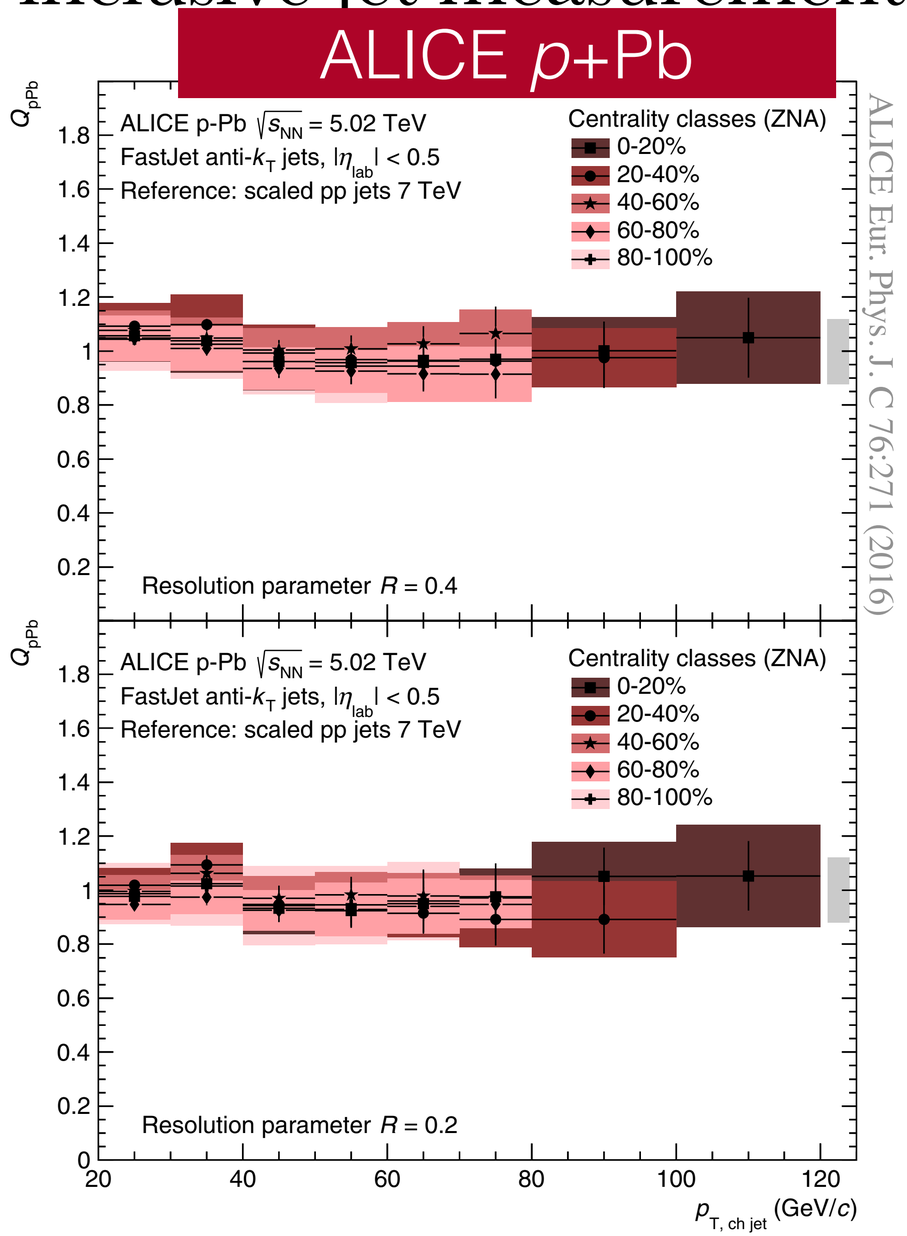
PYTHIA 8 acoplanarity away-side suppression more significant



PYTHIA 8 p+Au acoplanarity away-side suppression similar to data



ALICE EA-binned inclusive jet measurement consistent with unity



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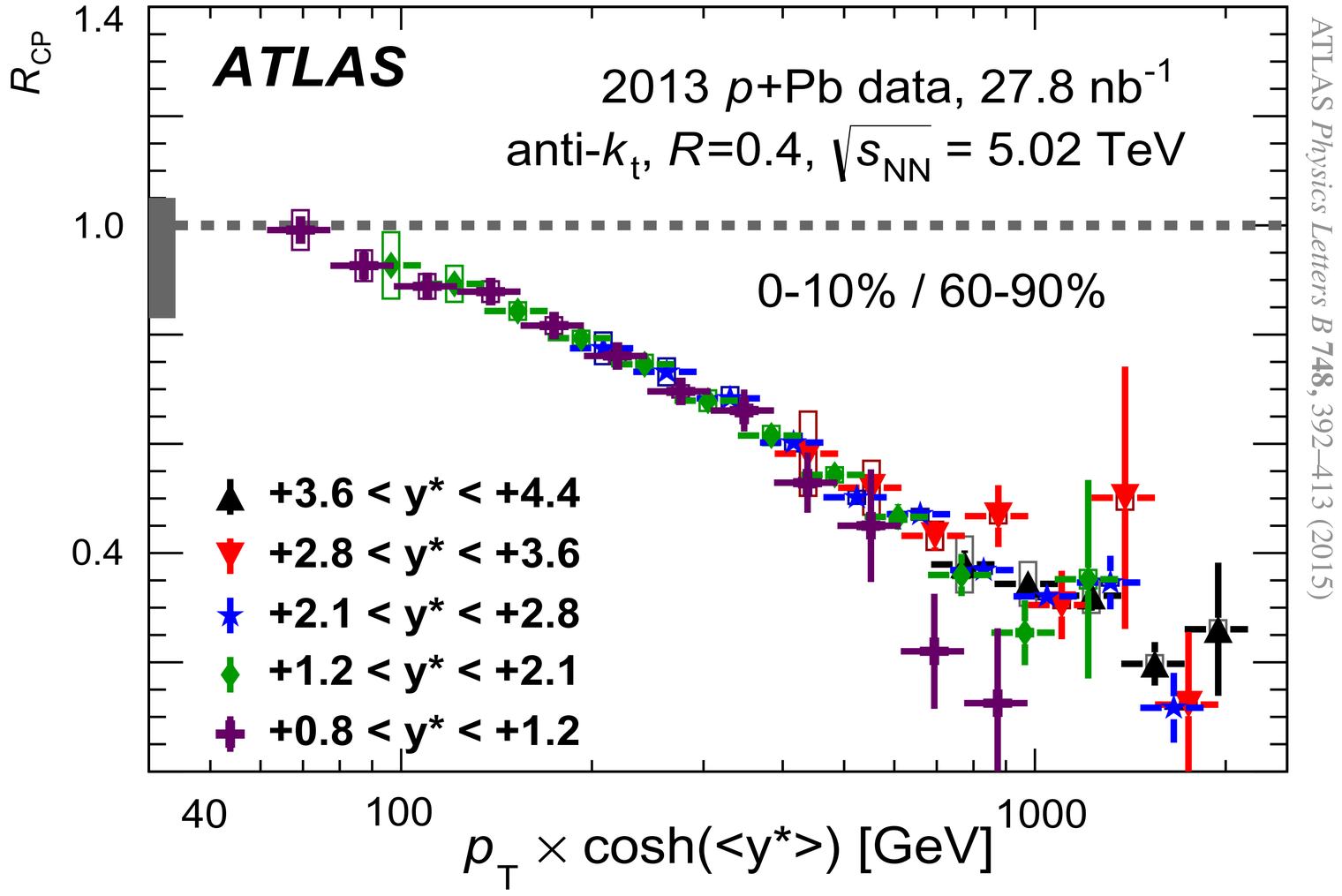

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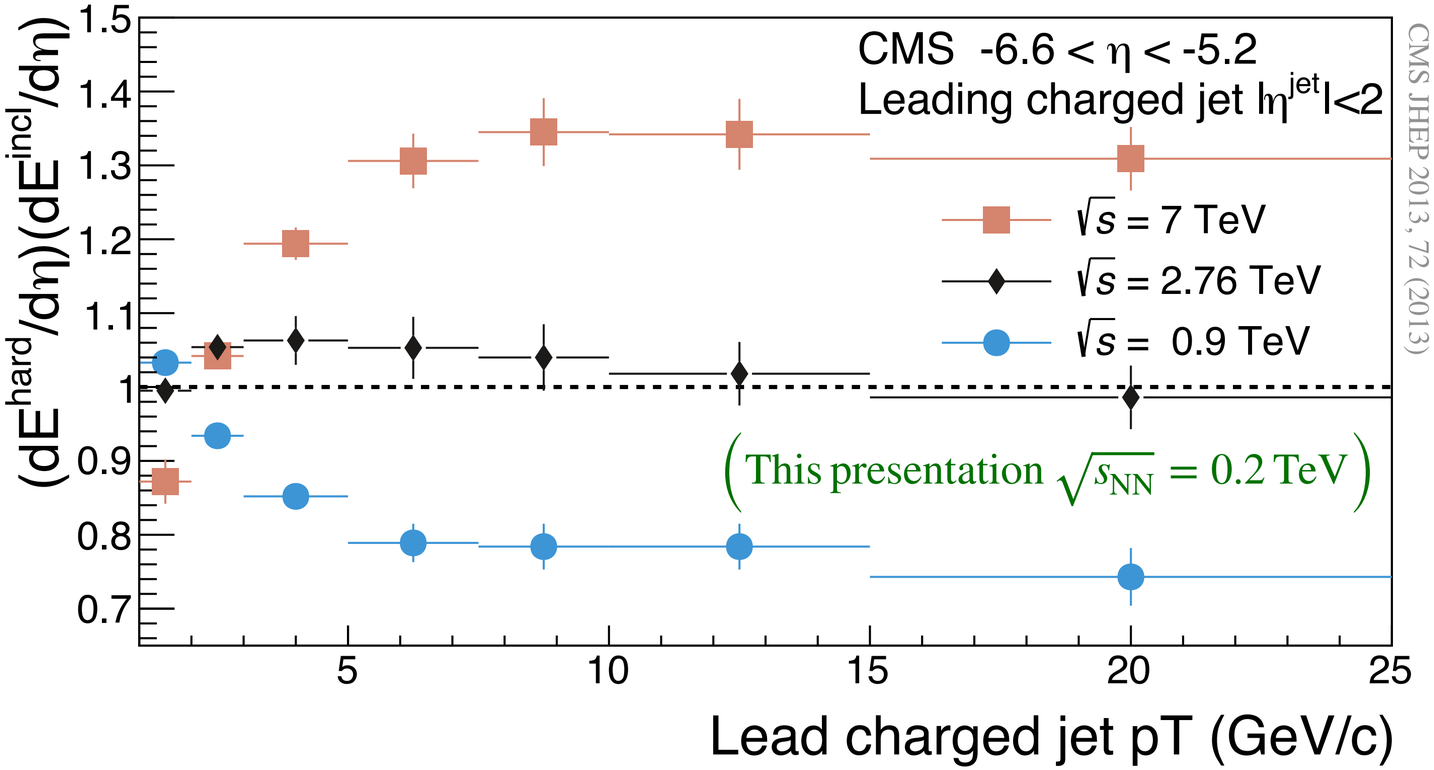
CMS lead $p_{T,jet}$ correlation to high backward-η EA

- CMS measured energy deposition at $\eta \in$ [-6.6,-5.2] as a function of leading charged jet p_T at $|\eta| < 2$
- Found for increasing mid-η jets:
  - Enhancement in 7 TeV collisions
  - Slight enhancements that turn over in 2.76 TeV collisions
- Suggested in study of possible cause of energy conservation
- Naively, would artificially suppress EA classification of events with hard mid-η jets



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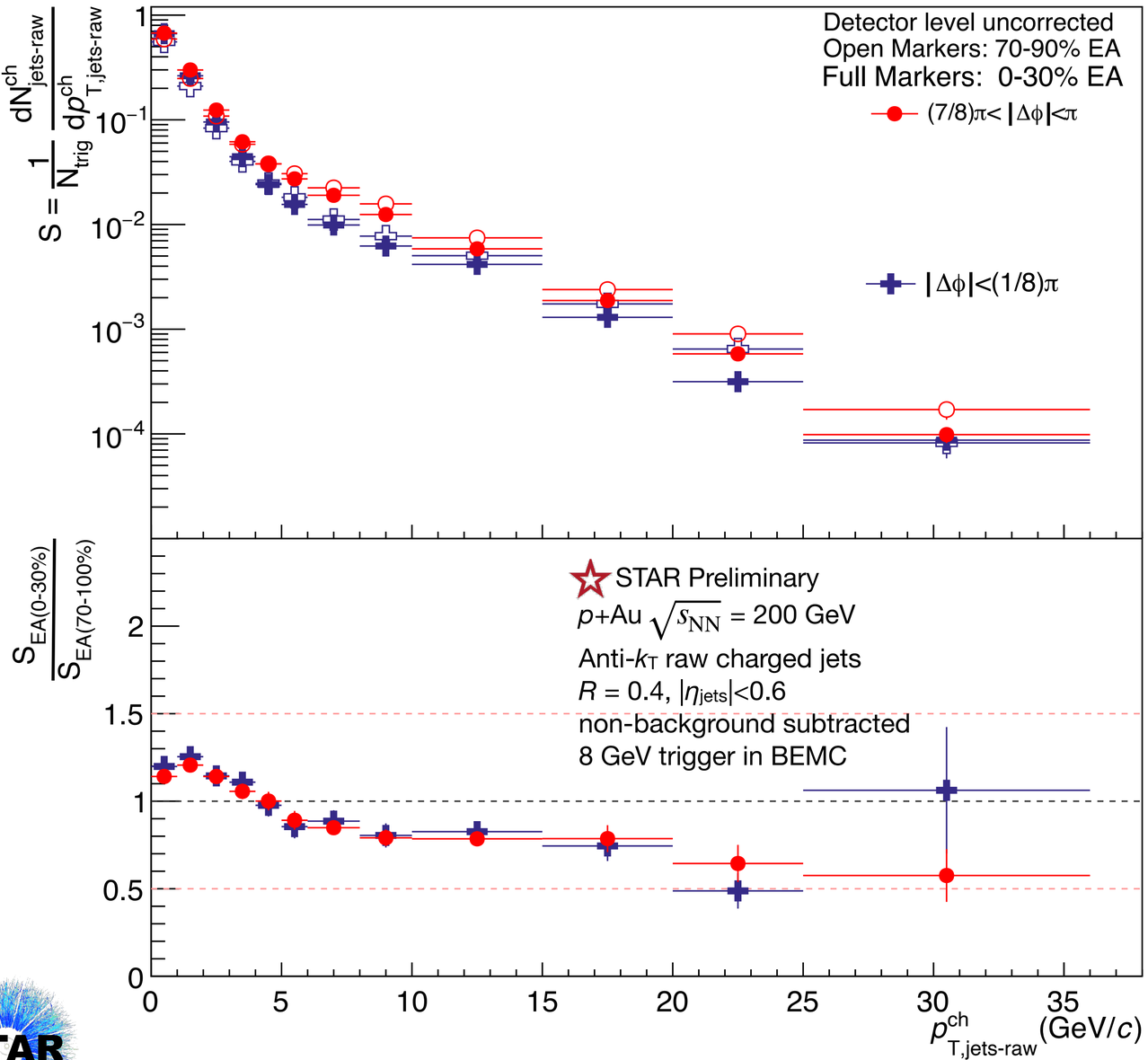
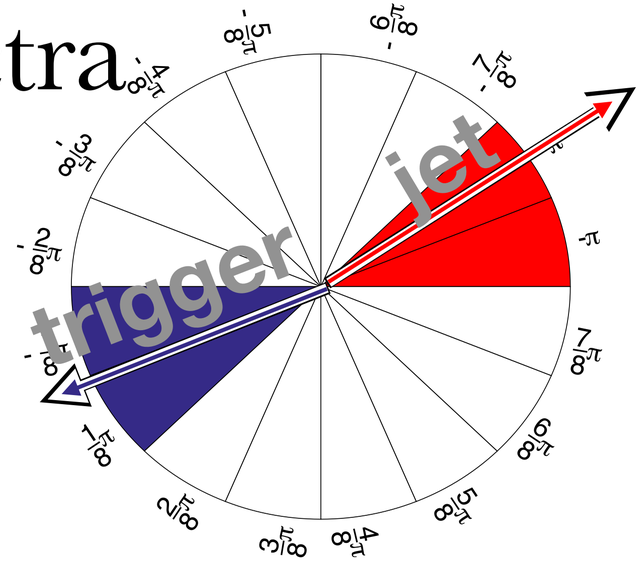
NEF modifies near-side vs awayside spectra



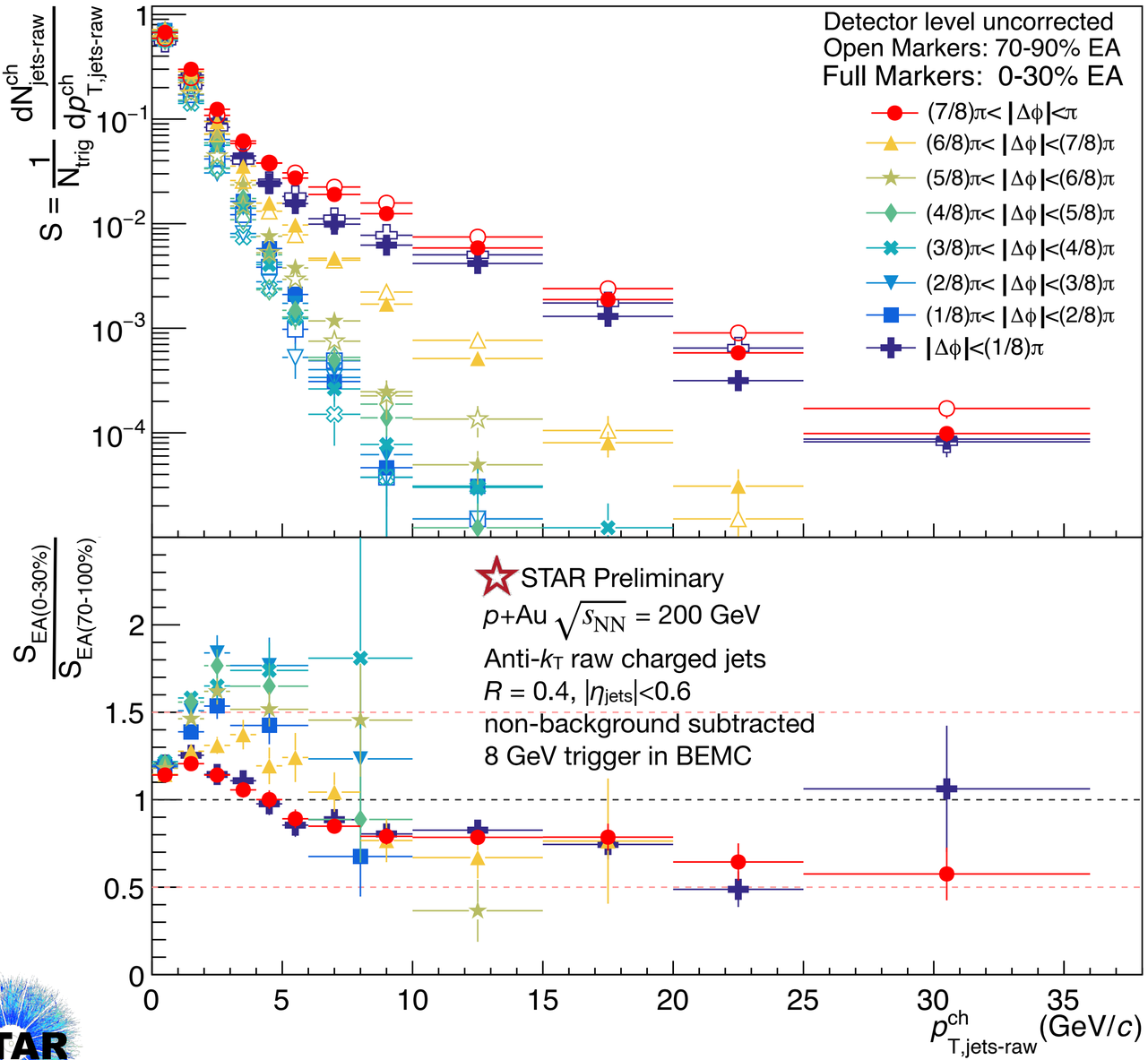
Open Markers: Low EA: 70-90%

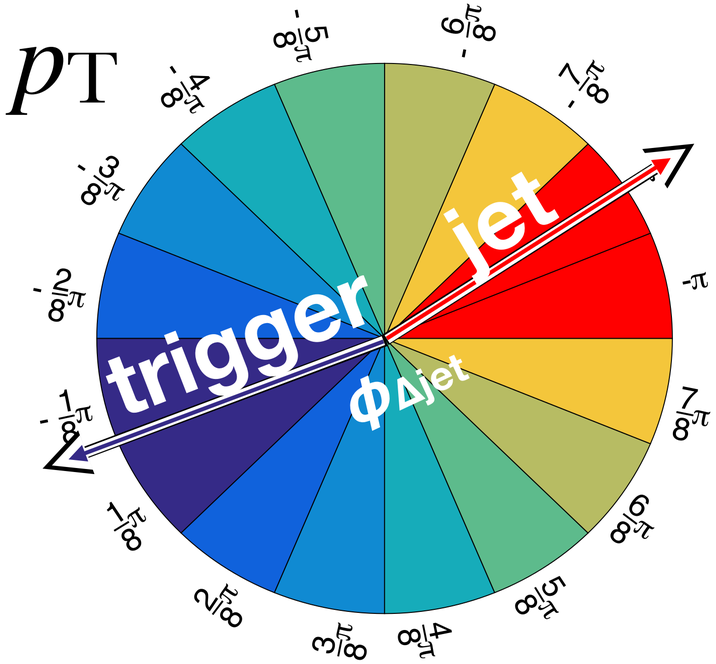
Full Markers: High EA: 0-30%



- Both near and recoil jets suppressed in high EA relative to low EA
- n.b.: These are charged jet spectra; the near-side jets have a neutral energy fraction (NEF) bias because near side must also always contain the neutral trigger
  - This NEF bias is not present in the recoil jets
  - This NEF bias on the near-side is expected to decrease at higher $p_{T,jet}$

Peripheral $|\Delta\phi|$ bins enhanced at low p_T

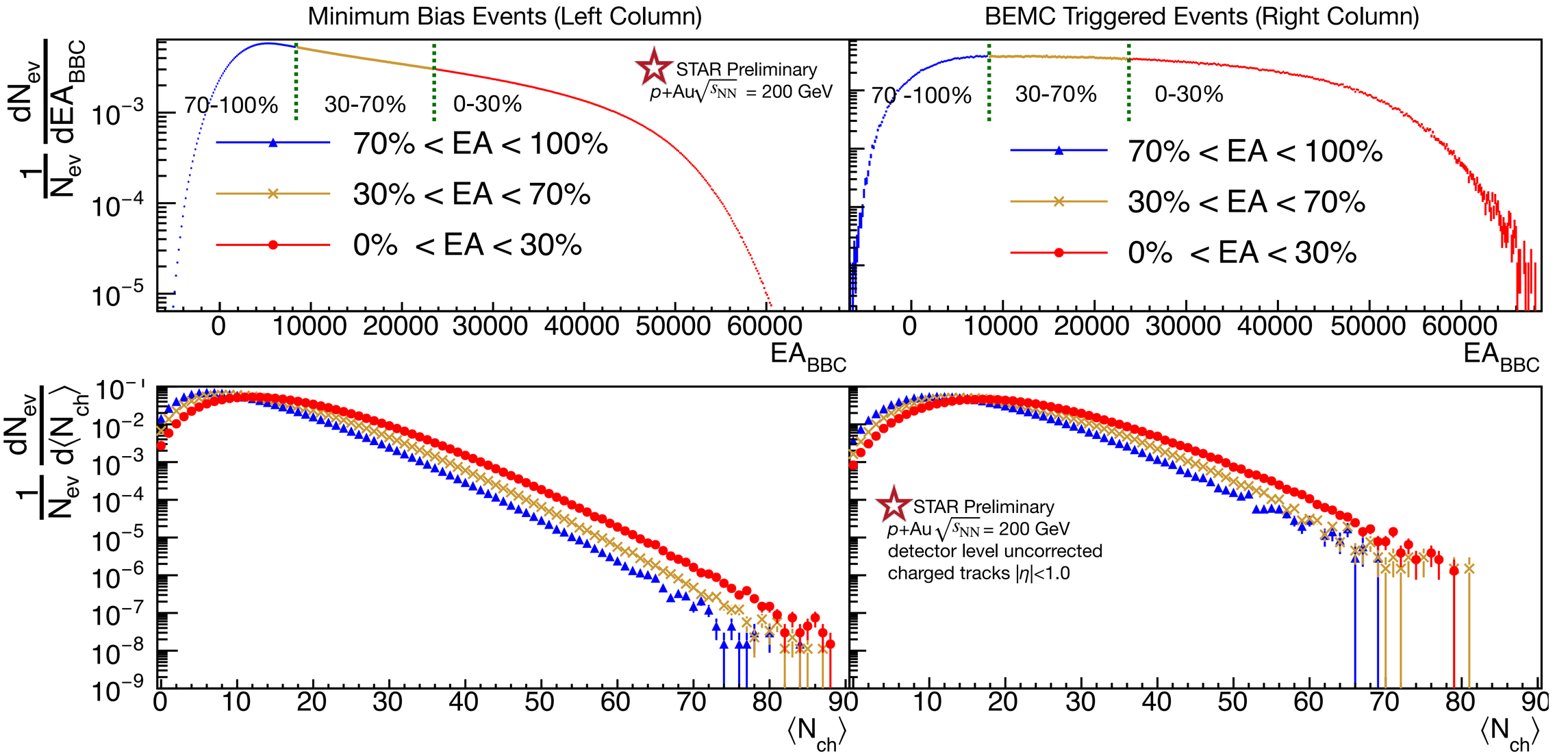




- Transverse bins contains little (no) dijet components but rather the underlying event (UE)
- At high-EA there is more UA making more combinatoric jets, as evidenced in a stronger relative enhancement for low p_T "jets" in peripheral bins

EA track activity: change in means w/ broad overlapping distributions

BBC-East & $\langle N_{ch} \rangle$ distributions



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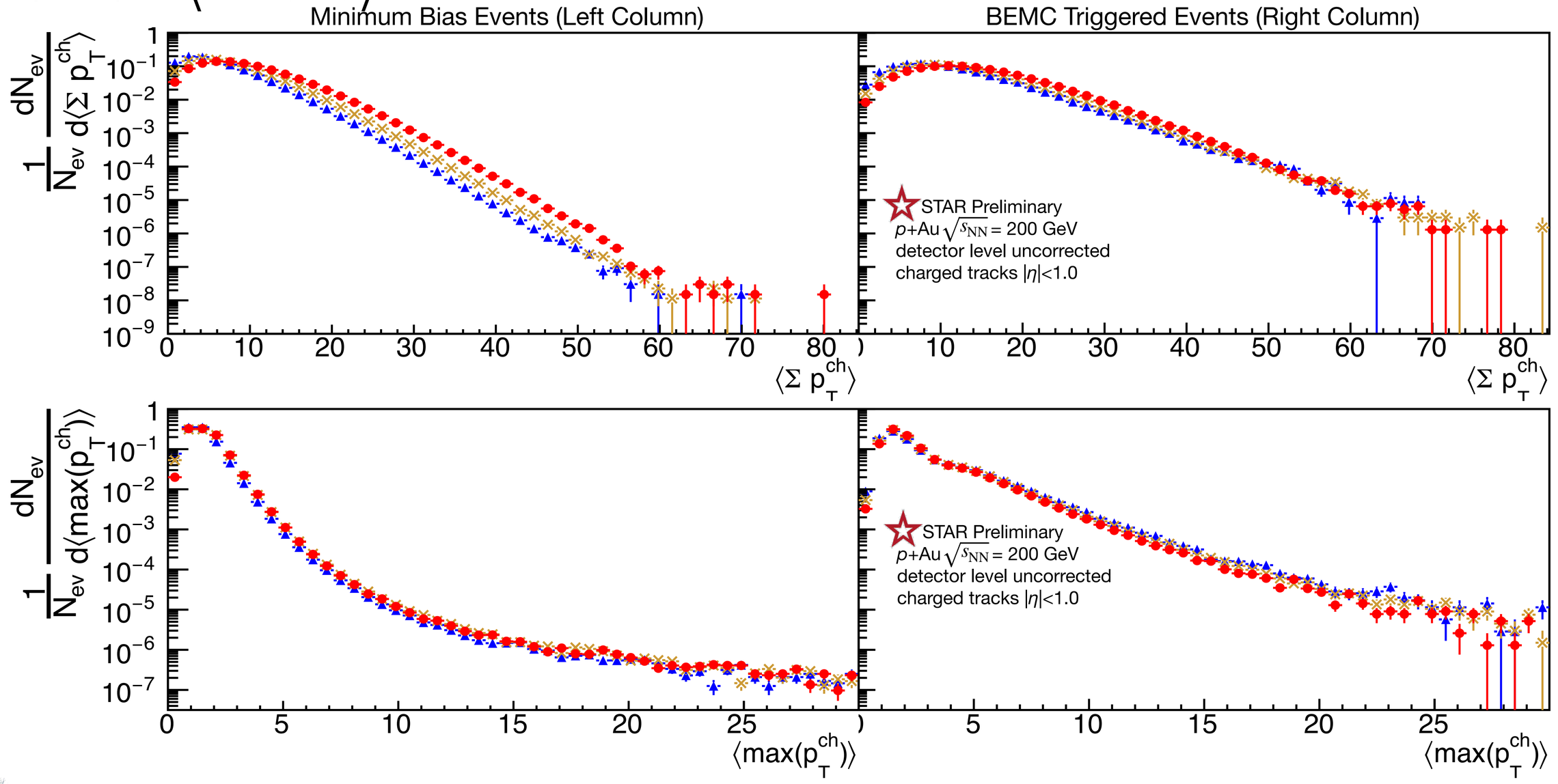
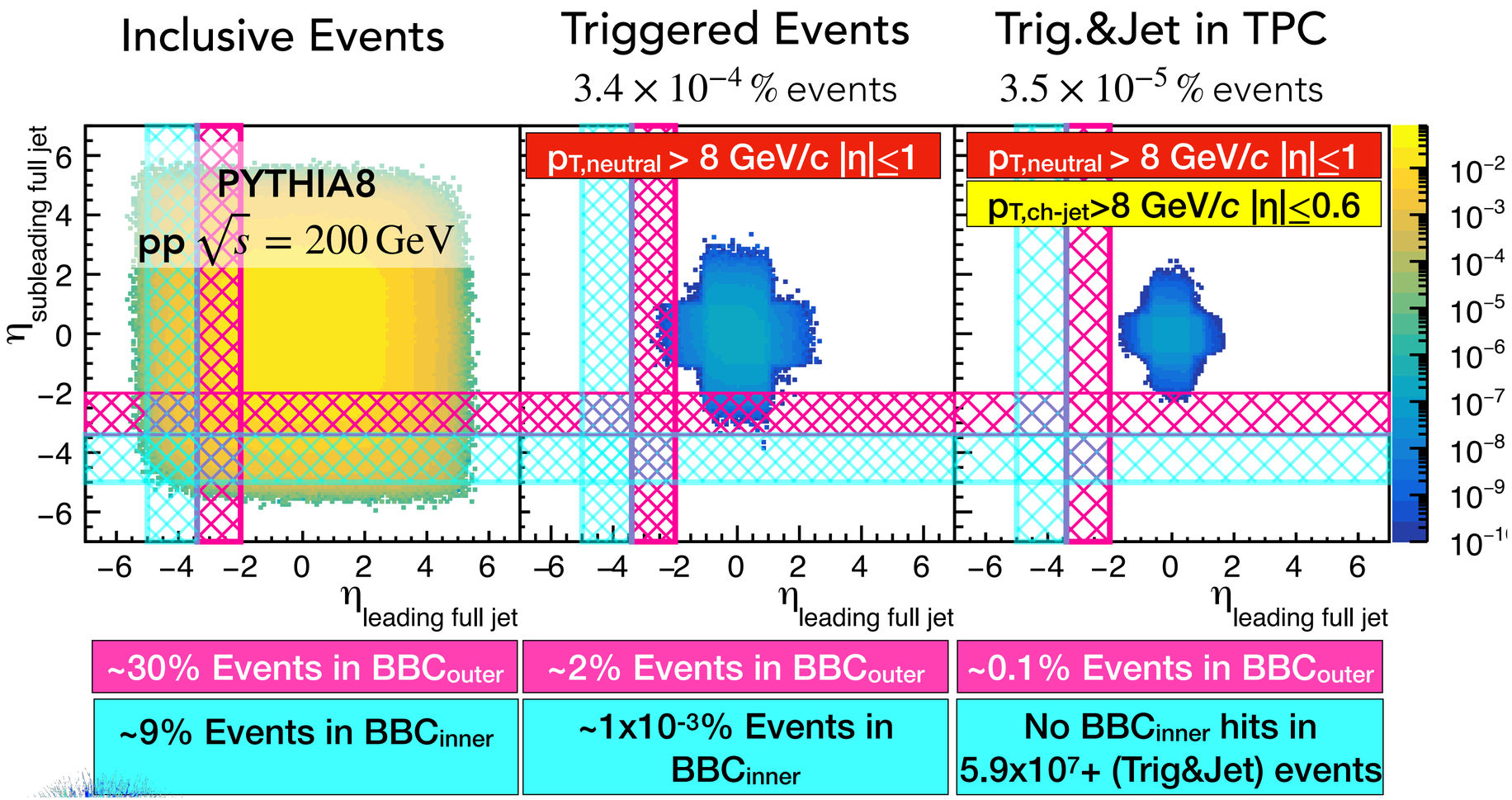
$\langle \Sigma p_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{ch}} \rangle$ & $\left\langle \max\left(p_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{ch}}\right) \right\rangle$ distributions



STAR spectra modification *not* due to dijets hitting BBC

Outer BBC $\eta \in (-2, -3.4)$

Inner BBC $\eta \in (-3.4, -5)$



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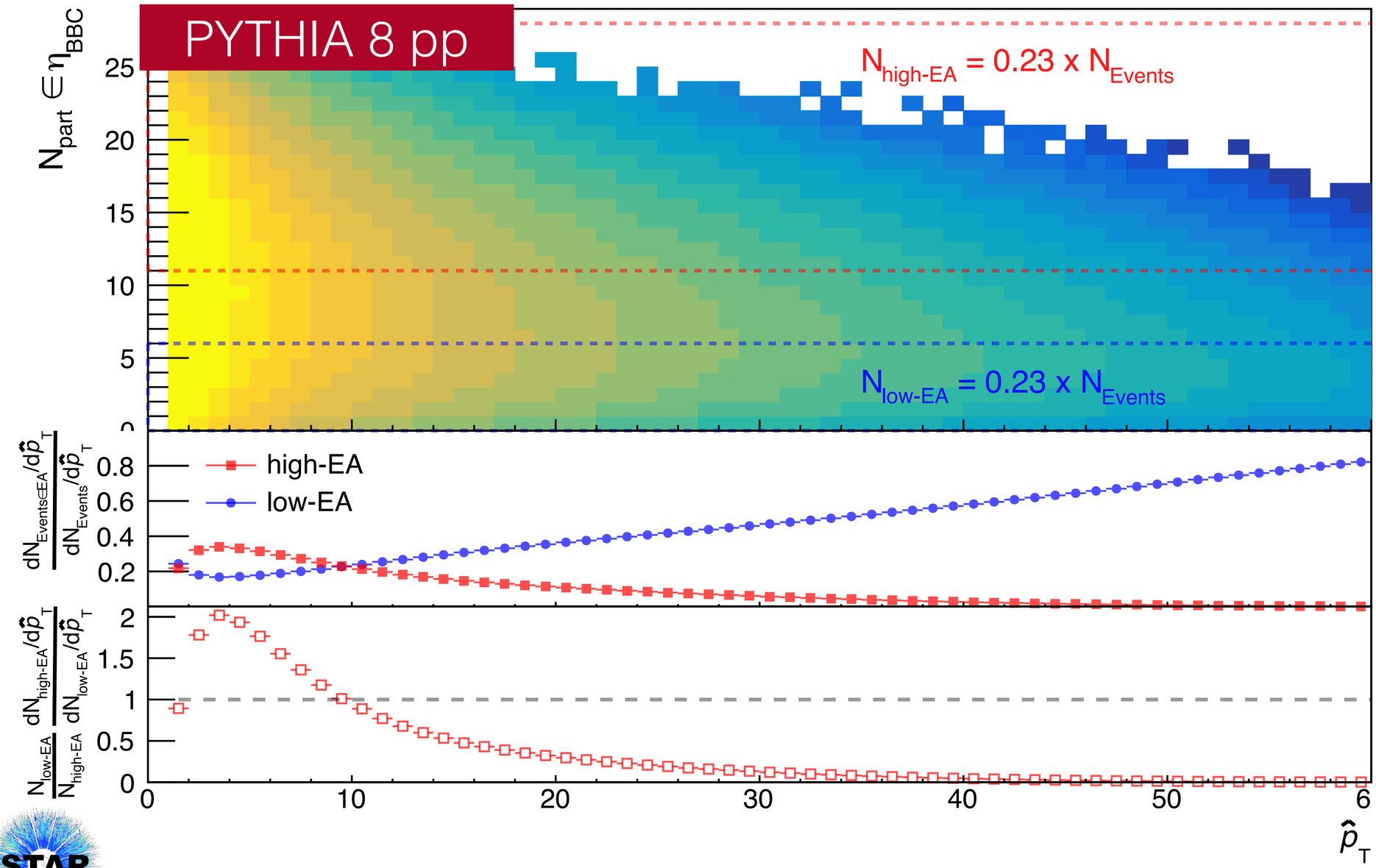

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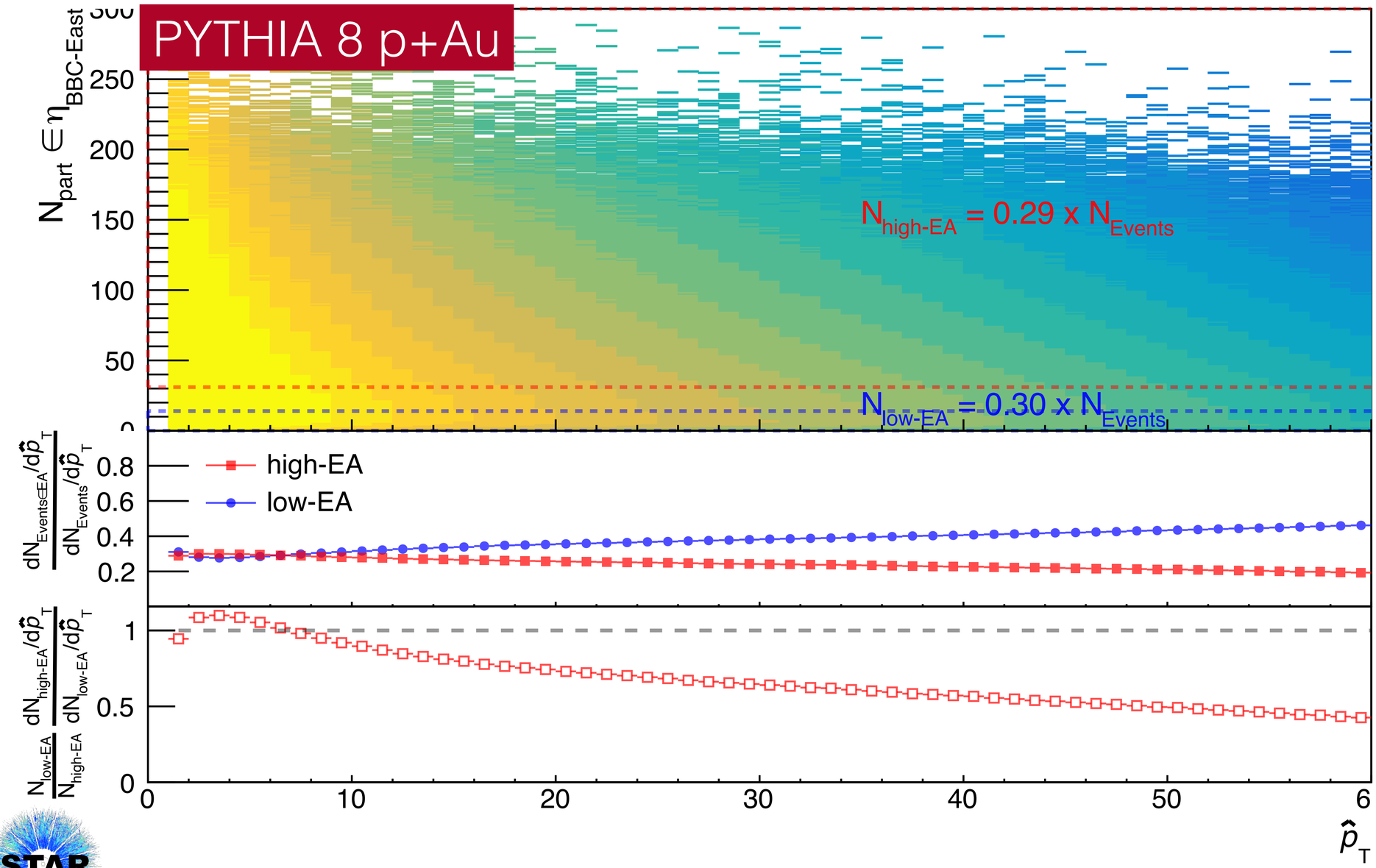
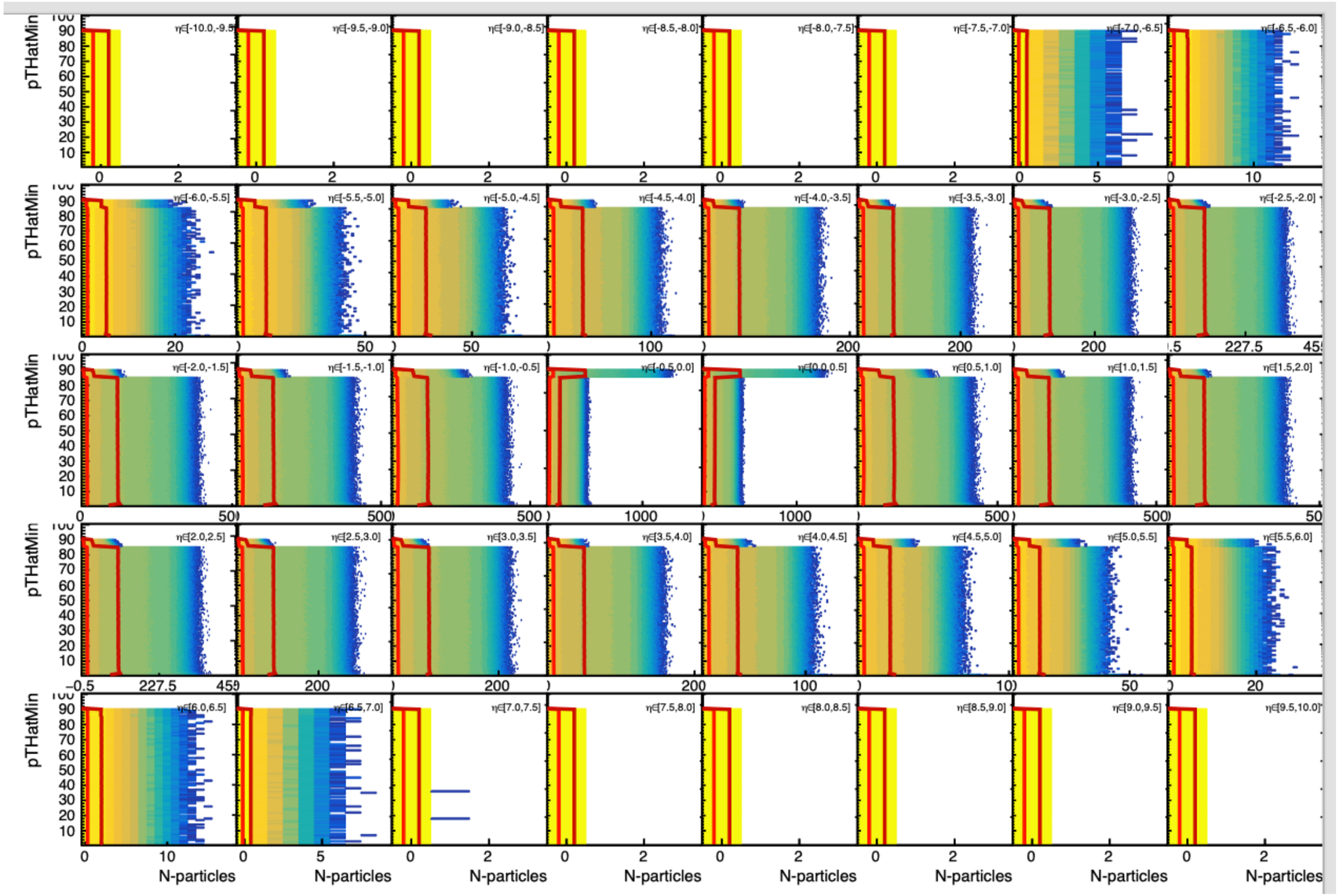


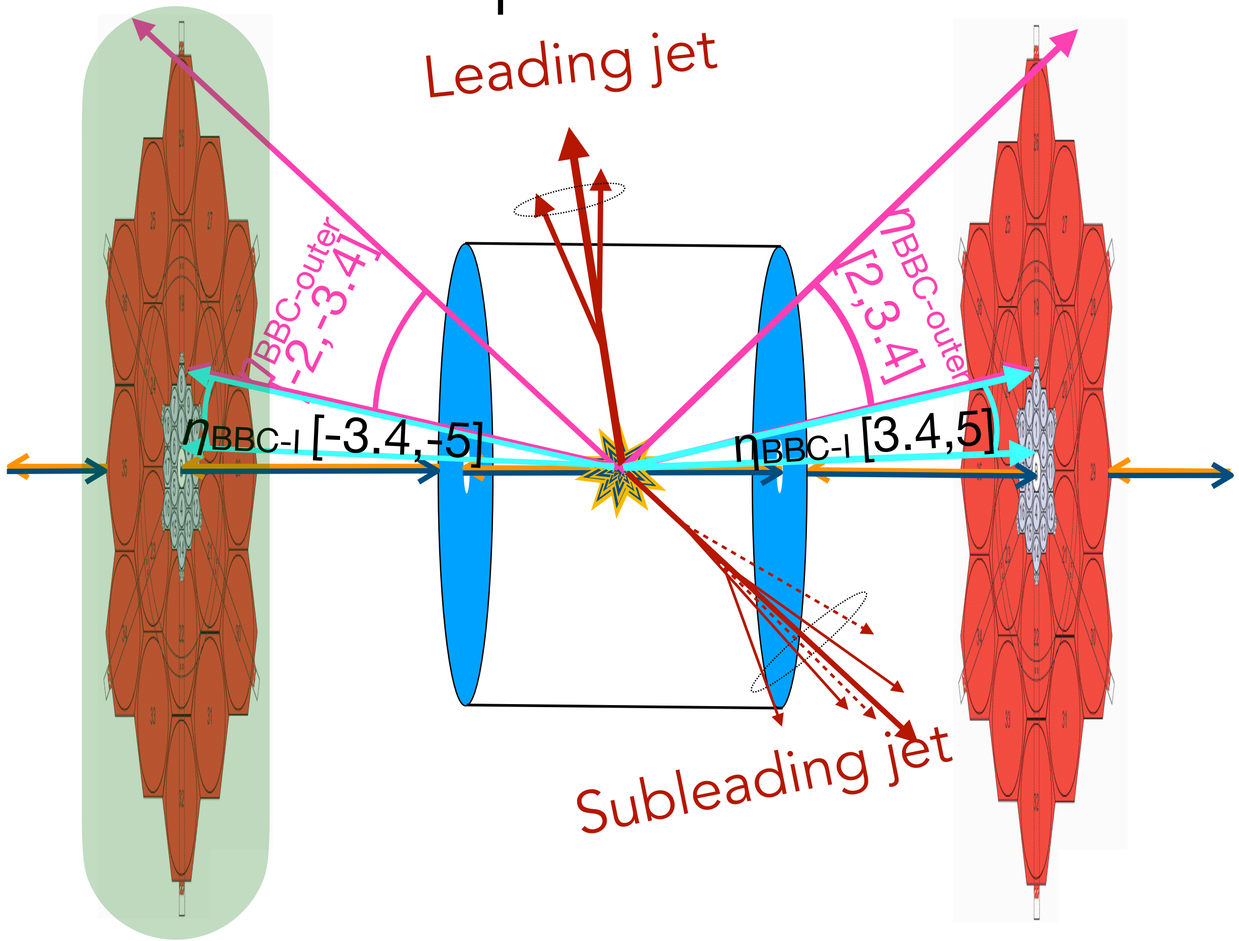
PYTHIA 8 Au+Au EA ratios largely independent of $\hat{p}_{\mathrm{T}}$



Red lines in each sub plot give the 30% and 70% locations

Use “opposite” TPC to avoid “dijet contamination of EA”

Example event

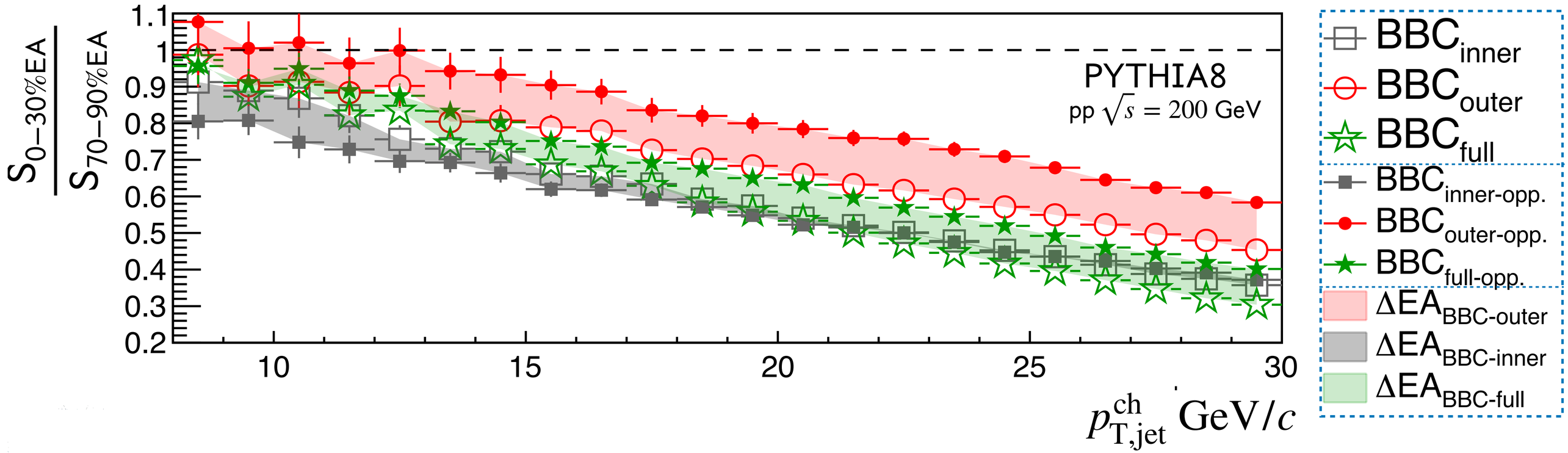


Method

- In each event, read EA signal from the BBC opposite of leading/subleading jet with max(|η|)
- Remove all dijet constituents from BBC
- Remove suppression of due to dijets in BBC_{outer}
- PYTHIA results on next slide

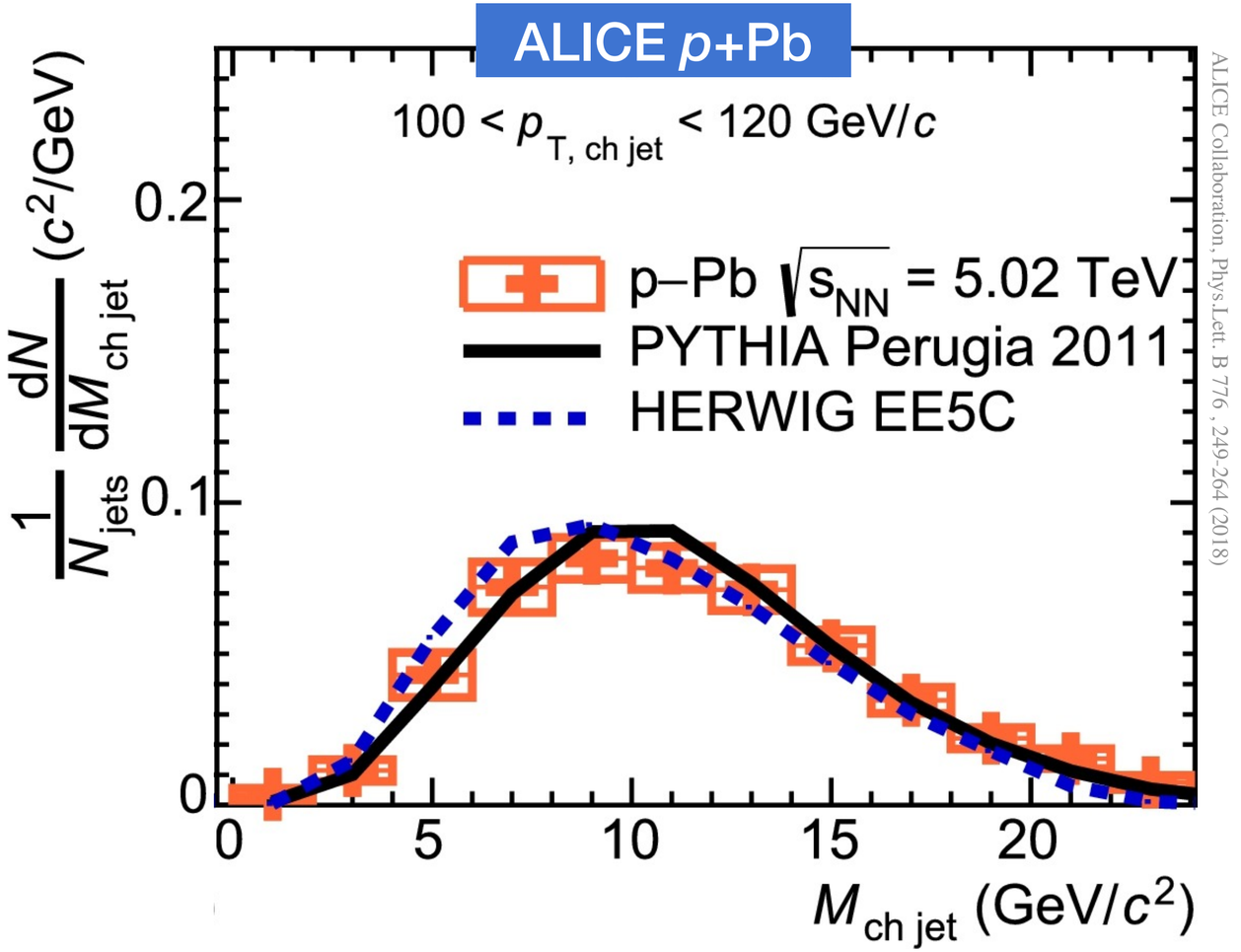
PYTHIA 8 TPC charged jet per trigger suppression

PYTHIA 8 predicts jet spectra suppression when using either the inner or the outer BBC, or even when always using the BBC “opposite” in η from the highest p_T jets of the generated pp event



Inclusive jet mass

2018: Jet mass distribution not modified



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