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Measurement of semi-inclusive jet fragmentation functions in Au+Au collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV in STAR

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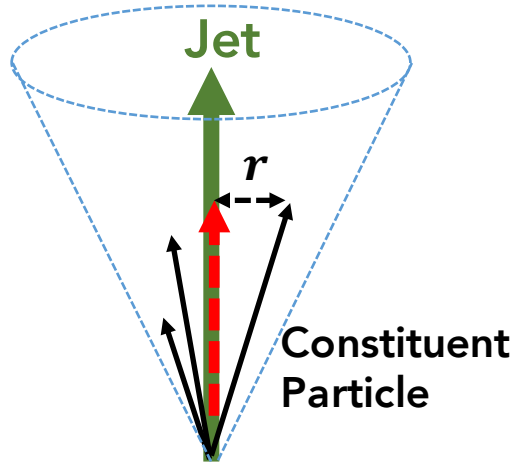
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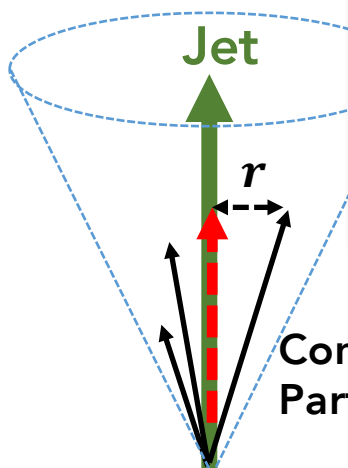


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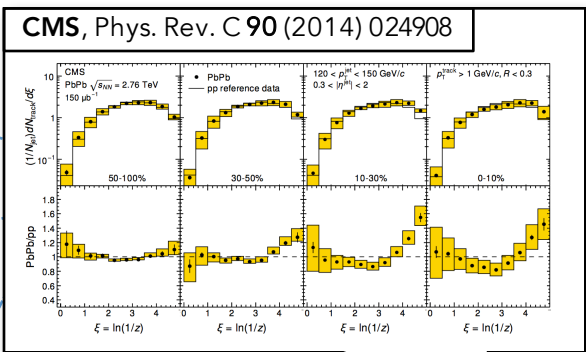
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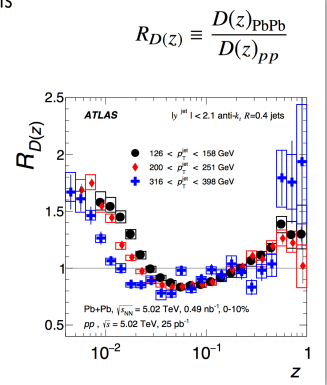
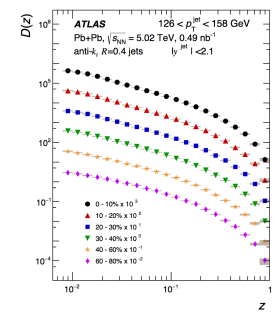


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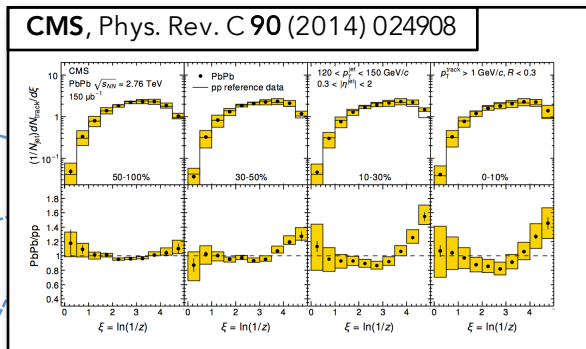
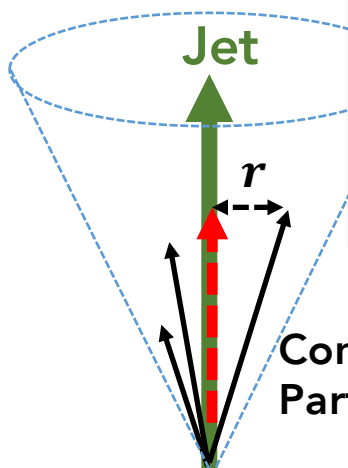


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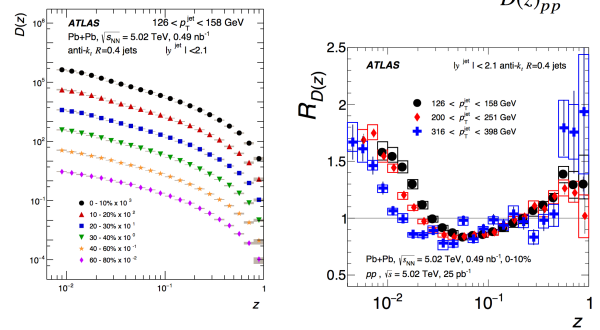
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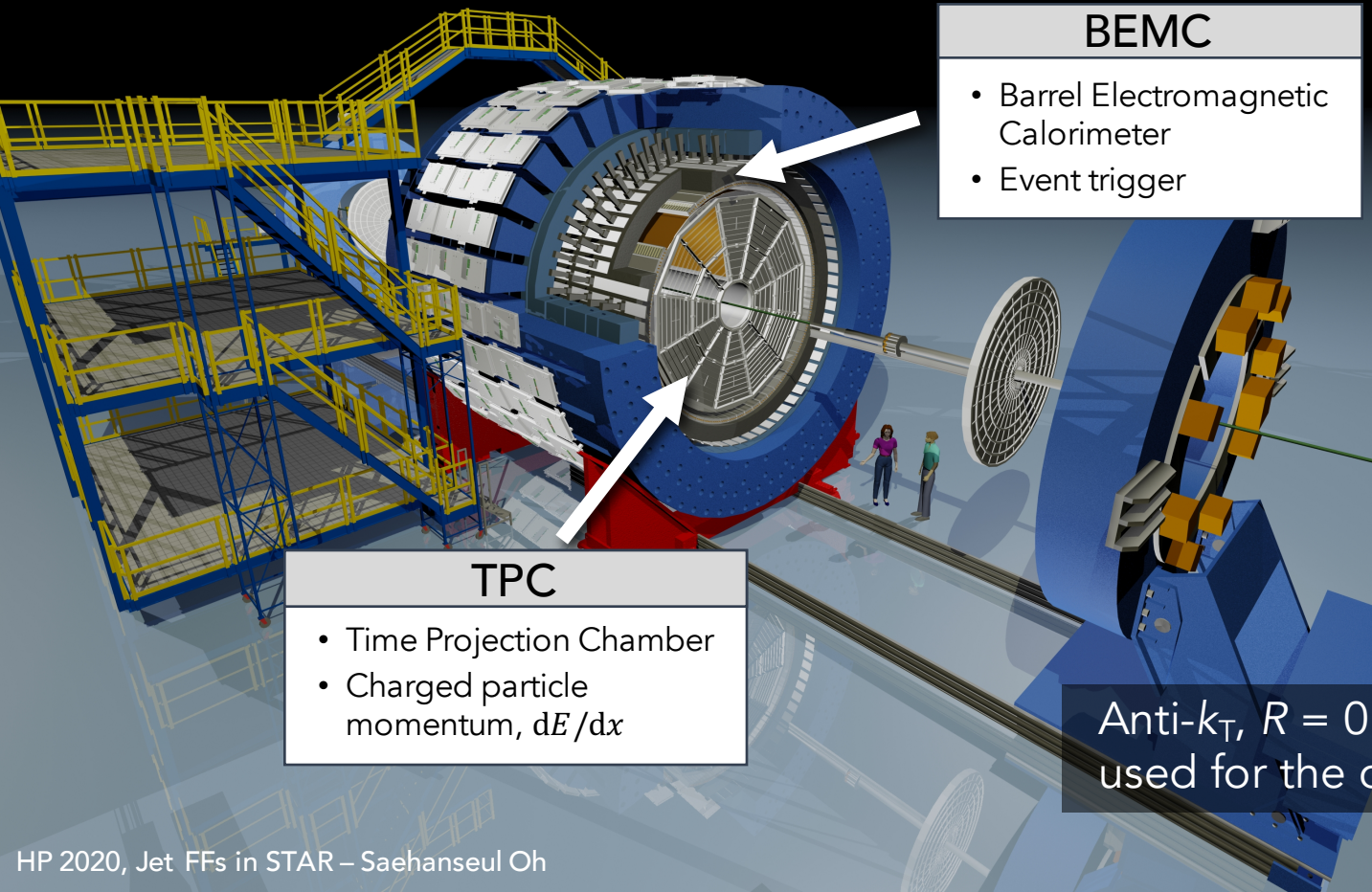
Constituent Particle

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How does it change in Au+Au collisions at $\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 200 \text{ GeV}$ relative to the vacuum reference?

The STAR experiment



BEMC

- Barrel Electromagnetic Calorimeter
- Event trigger

TPC

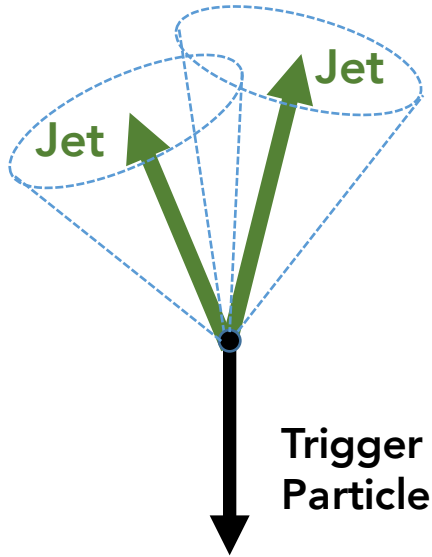
- Time Projection Chamber
- Charged particle momentum, dE/dx

Anti- k_T , $R = 0.4$, charged jets are used for the current analysis

Semi-inclusive jet measurement

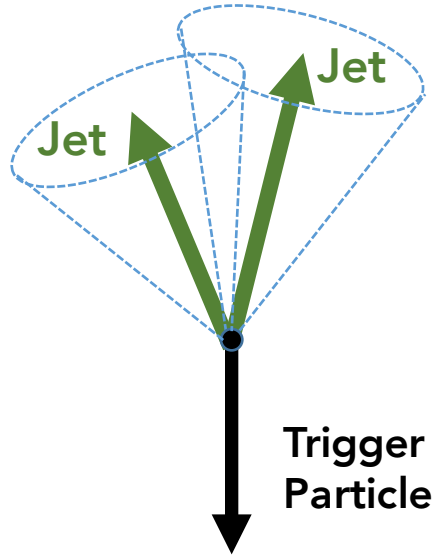
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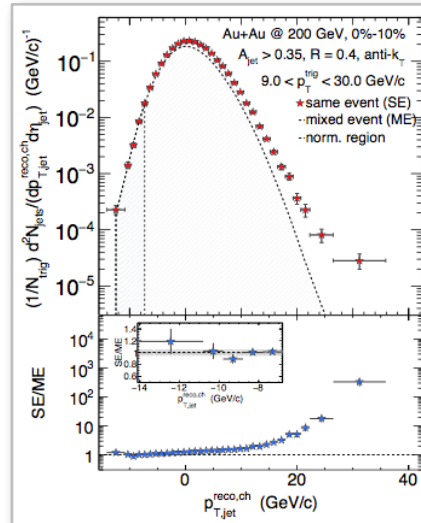


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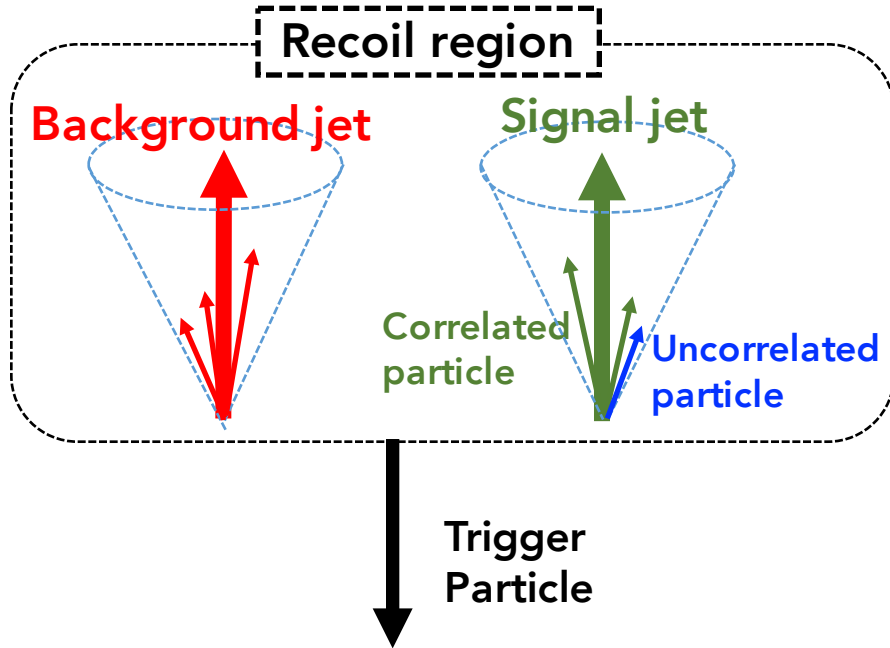


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- Semi-inclusive charged jet p_T spectra in Au+Au collisions
- Combinatorial jet subtraction via a mixed-event method

Now the subtraction extended to two dimensions: $(p_{T,\text{jet}}, Z)$

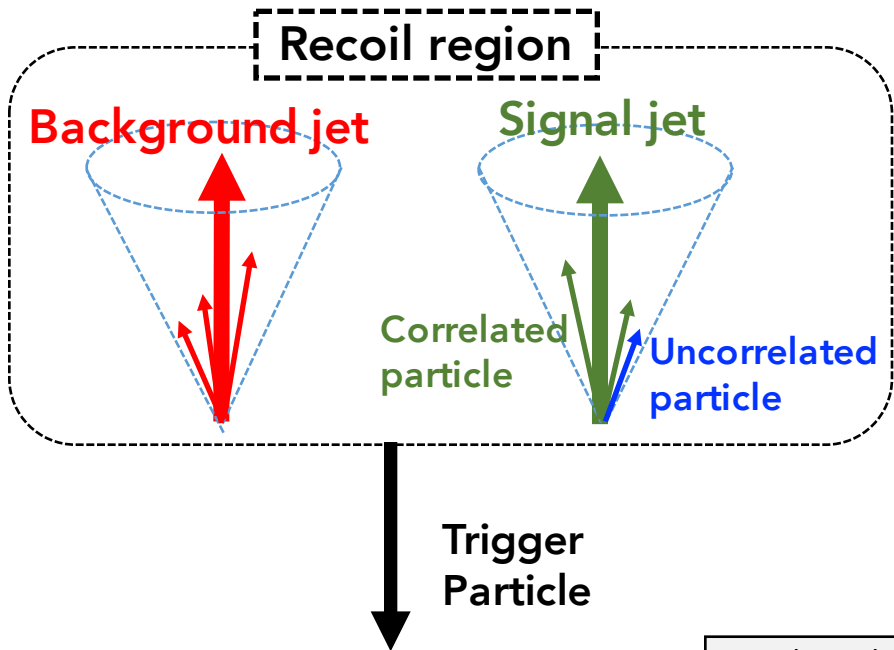
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- Contributions from background jets and uncorrelated particles in signal jets are estimated via a mixed-event method, and subtracted

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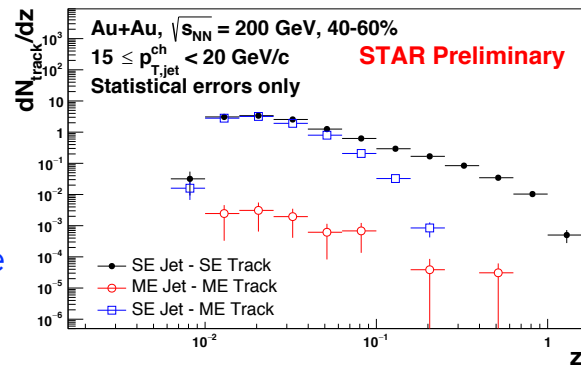


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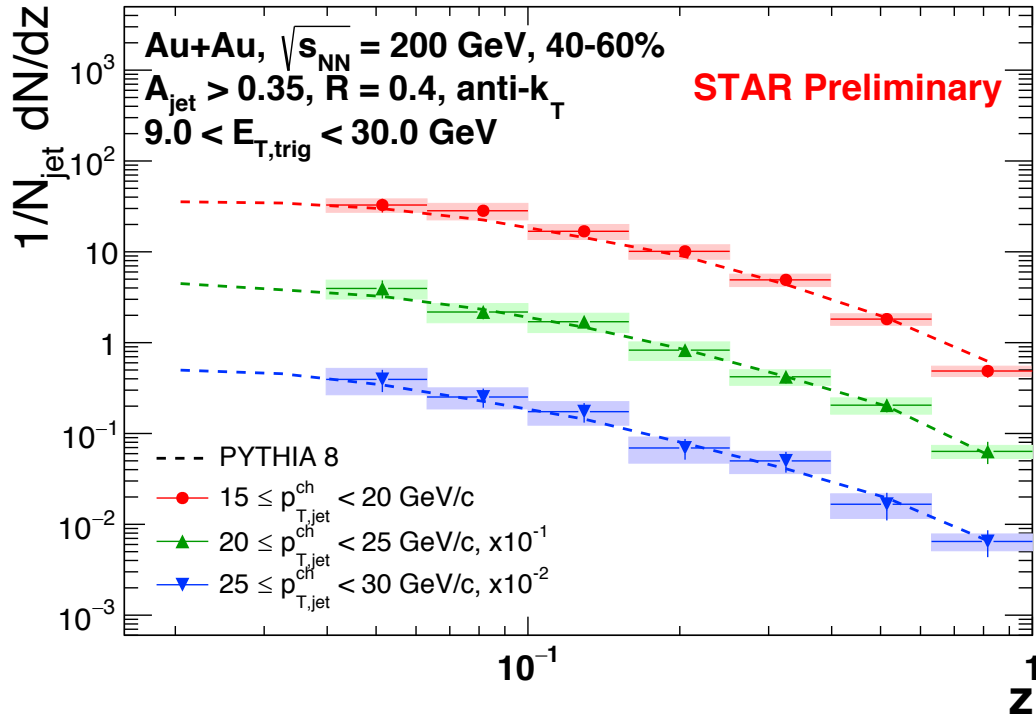
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Further details in the poster

$$\text{Corrected } dN/dz = \text{Black} - \text{Red} - \text{Blue}$$

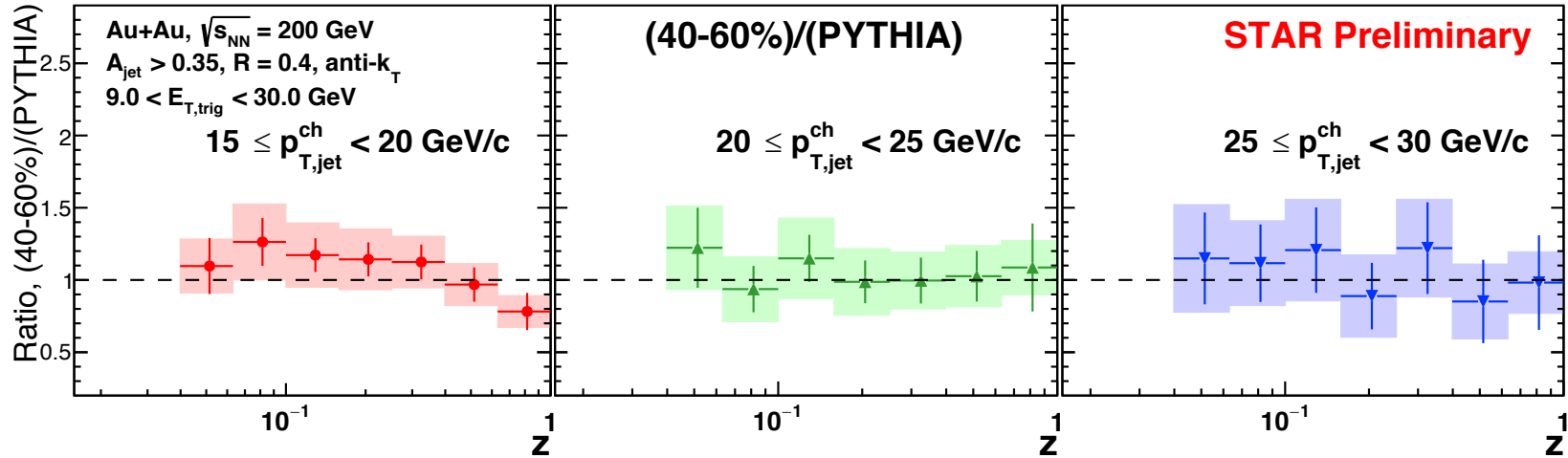


Results



- Fully unfolded jet fragmentation functions for **40-60%** centrality class and three $p_{T,jet}$ ranges
- PYTHIA 8 (Monash 2013, tuned to LHC) for the same $p_{T,jet}$ ranges

Results



- Ratios of jet fragmentation functions, (Au+Au 40-60%)/(PYTHIA 8)
- **The ratio remains near 1**
 - Tangential jet selection with a high- p_T trigger particle and recoil jets? Short path-length in medium or little jet-medium interactions in 40-60% centrality? ...

- Fragmentation functions for $p+p$ and **central Au+Au** events
- Semi-inclusive jet spectra in 40-60% centrality

On their way!