System size and energy dependence of high-p_T triggered correlations in STAR Christine Nattrass (Yale) for the STAR Collaboration

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Motivation – Jet and Ridge



- In d+Au narrow peak narrow in $\Delta \Phi$, $\Delta \eta$ even for small p_T^{trigger}
- Long-range pseudorapidity ($\Delta\eta$) correlations observed by STAR in Au+Au at intermediate p_T
- Significant contribution to the near-side yield in central Au+Au at intermediate $p_T^{assoc}, p_T^{trigger}$
- Yield/trigger number of particles in p_T^{assoc} range associated with trigger particle with $p_T^{trigger}$ range

Extent of *Ridge* in $\Delta \eta$



- *Ridge* yield approximately independent of $\Delta \eta$ in STAR acceptance
 - PHOBOS (arXiv:0804.3038v3) showed independence on $\Delta \eta$ out to $\Delta \eta = 4$
- Jet increases with $p_T^{trigger}$, Ridge roughly constant Christine Nattrass (STAR), Hot Quarks, August 23, 2008

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- Gets energy dependence right \rightarrow this is a pQCD effect
- Stronger deviations at low p_T^{trigger} , as expected

Pythia comparisons





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- No system dependence
- Pythia 8.1 slightly harder than data
- Diverges slightly from Pythia 8.1 at lower p_T^{associated}

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	$\sqrt{s_{_{\rm NN}}} = 62 \text{ GeV}$	$\sqrt{s_{_{ m NN}}} = 200 { m GeV}$
Cu+Cu	317 ± 26	445 ± 20
Au+Au	355 ± 21	478 ± 8
d+Au		469 ± 8
Pythia	417 ± 9	491 ± 3
Statistical errors only		

Inverse slope parameter

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- No system dependence
- Some deviations from Pythia 8.1 with increase in N_{part}
 - Incomplete *Ridge* subtraction?
 - Jet modification at low p_T ?

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Jet composition





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Conclusions: Jet



- Pythia describes data well
 - Scaling factor needed but Pythia 8.1 is not as tuned as earlier versions
 - Energy dependence in *Jet* is pQCD effect
 - Trends for p_T^{trigger} , p_T^{assoc} dependence right
- Particle ratios similar to p+p
- → *Jet* production mechanism dominated by fragmentation
 - Separation of Jet and Ridge works

The *Ridge*





• No system dependence at given N_{part}

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Ridge yield vs. p_T^{trigger} in Au+Au





• *Ridge* yield persists to high p_T^{trigger}

Ridge yield vs. p_T associated in Au+Au





• Spectra of particles associated with *Ridge* similar to inclusive

Ridge composition





• Baryon/meson ratios in *Ridge* similar to bulk for both strange and non-strange particles

Conclusions: *Ridge* • Extensive data on Ridge



- Cu+Cu, Au+Au consistent at same N_{part}
- *Ridge/Jet* ratio independent of energy
- Persists to high p_T^{trigger}
- *Ridge* looks like bulk
 - $p_T^{associated}$ dependence, particle composition
- *Ridge* larger in plane (not shown, arXiv:0807.4606v1)
- Particles in *Ridge* not correlated with each other in $\Delta\eta$ (not shown, arXiv:0804.4417v1)
- *Jet* agreement between different systems, with scaled Pythia
 - Simulations can be used to approximate z_T distribution for comparisons of data to models
 - More steeply falling jet spectrum in 62 GeV → stronger bias towards unmodified/surface jets

• Could explain smaller Ridge yield in 62 GeV Christine Nattrass (STAR), Hot Quarks, August 23, 2008

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- → No preferred model



Conclusions

- Pythia explains trends in data well
 - Needs scaling factor but amazing it does so well
 - Energy, p_T^{trigger} , $p_T^{\text{associated}}$ dependence
- Separation of *Jet* and *Ridge* works well
- *Jet* production dominated by fragmentation
- Deviations from fragmentation/Pythia indicate modification of jet
- Extensive experimental data
- Ridge

Jet

Au+Au 0-10% STAR prelimi

460 p_{three} >2 GeV



- Models need more rigorous comparisons to data, more signatures to distinguish production mechanism
 - Reasonable agreement of Jet with Pythia
 - \rightarrow simulations can be used to convert from p_T^{trigger} to distribution of jet energies
 - \rightarrow Greater surface bias in 62 GeV could explain lower *Ridge* yield

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