

Jet and jet-like correlations studies from STAR



Outline

- **p-p**
Setting the baseline
- **d-Au**
Cold nuclear matter effects
- **Au-Au**
Understanding the background
Probing jet modifications

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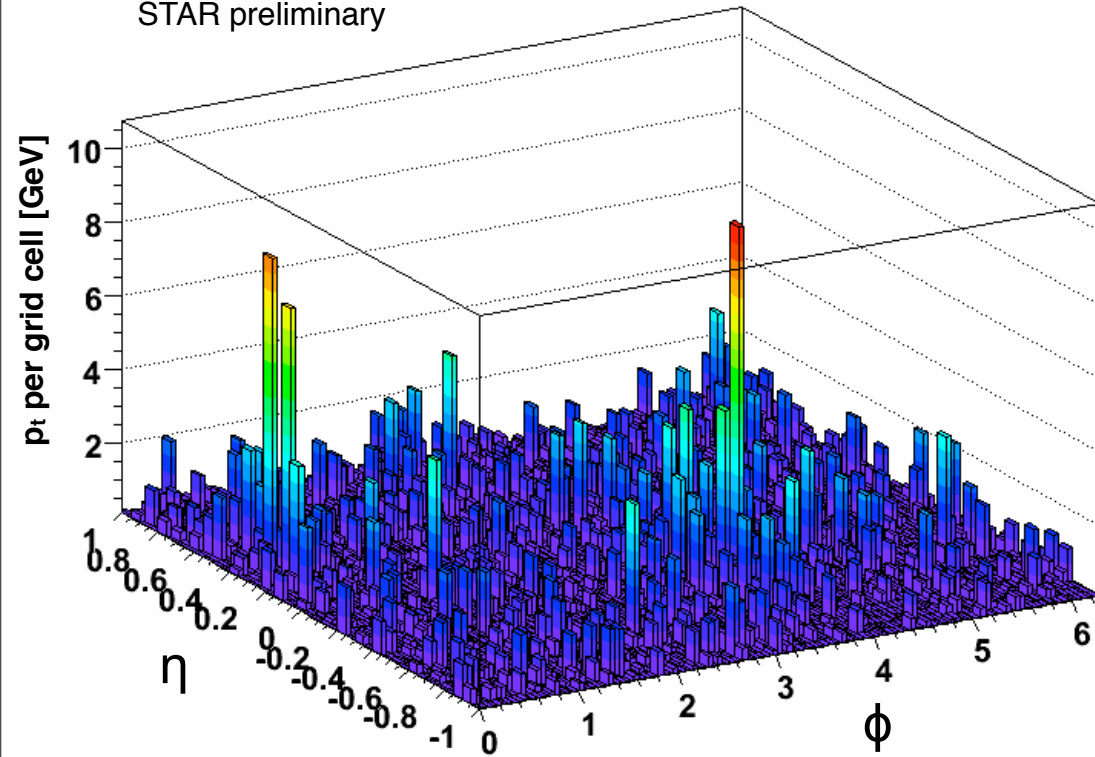
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Jet studies in Au-Au collisions

Au+Au 0-20% $p_{t,jet}^{rec} \sim 21$ GeV

STAR preliminary

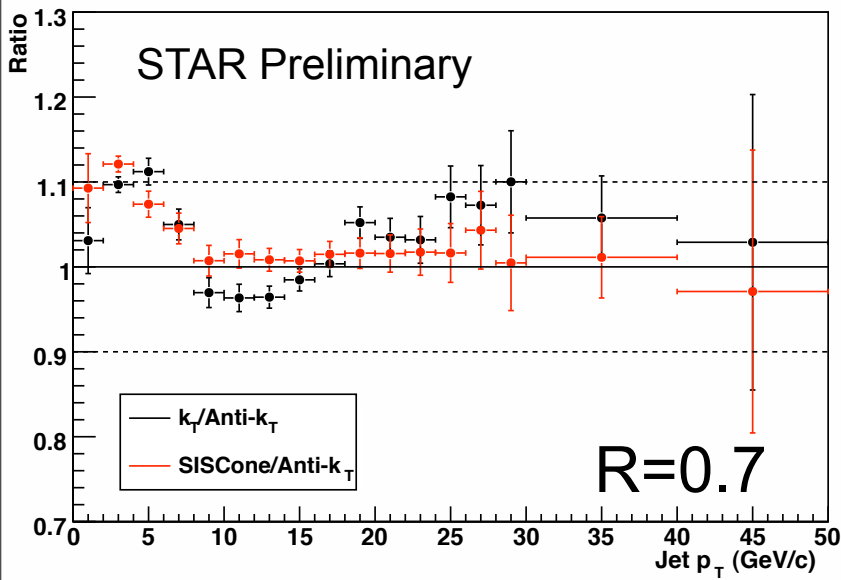


Jets can be seen by eye in Au-Au events

- if you can see them you can study them

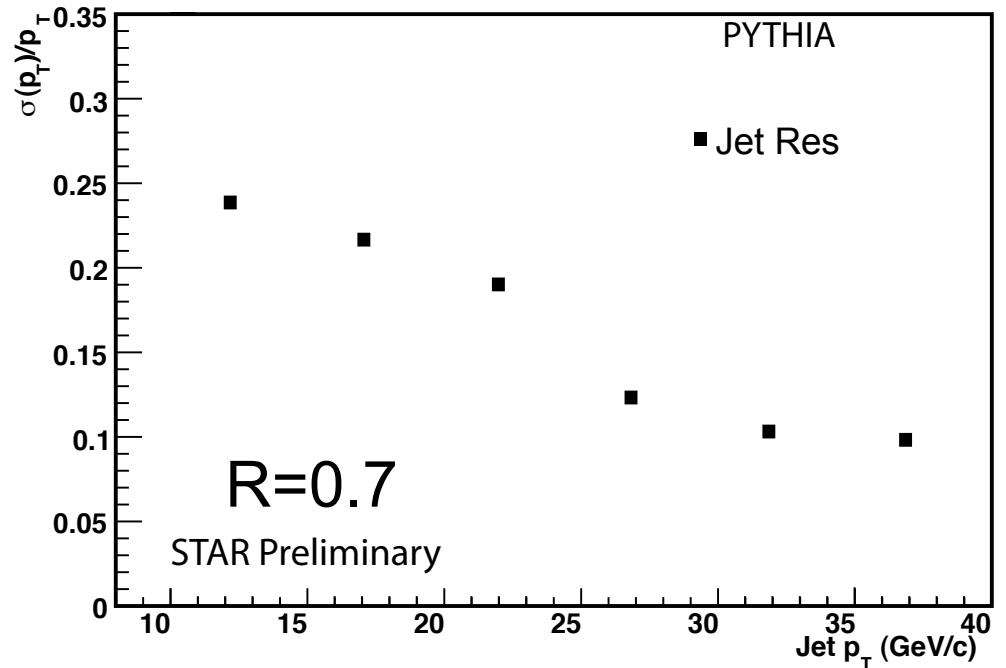
di-hadron correlations, full jet reconstruction and PID →
a) understanding of parton interactions with medium
b) where the “lost” energy emerges

Measuring the p - p jet cross-section



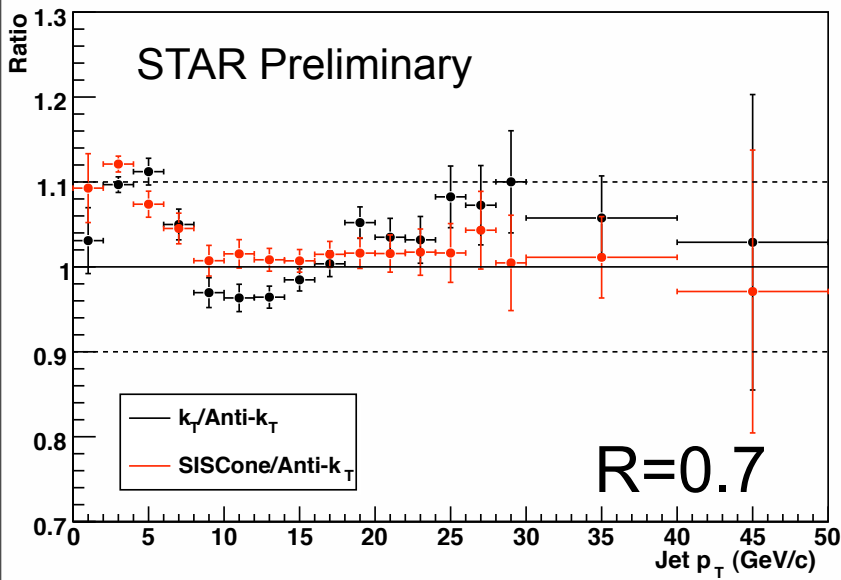
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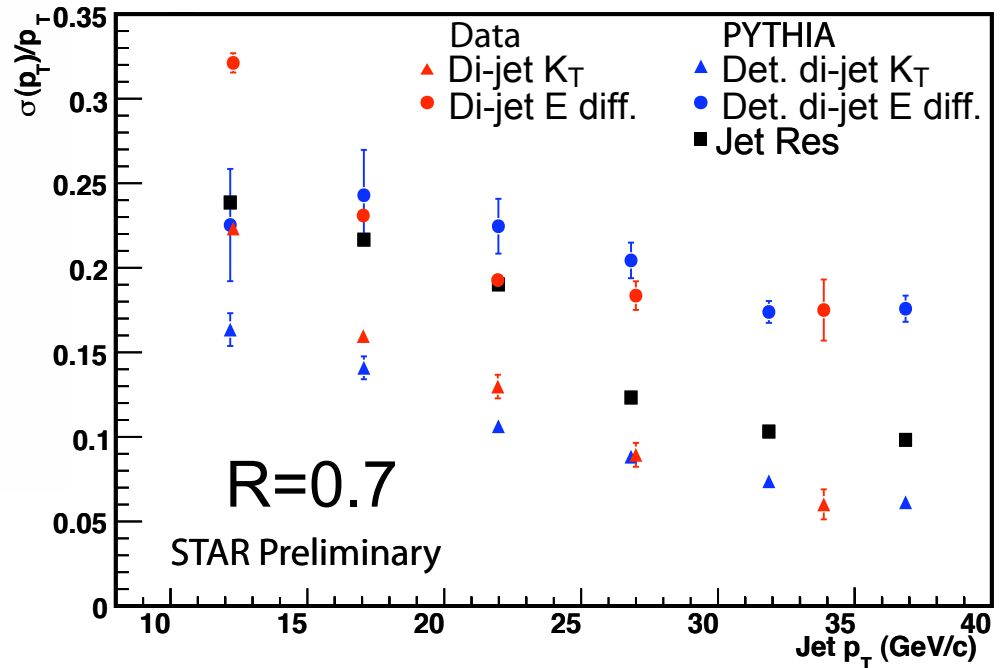
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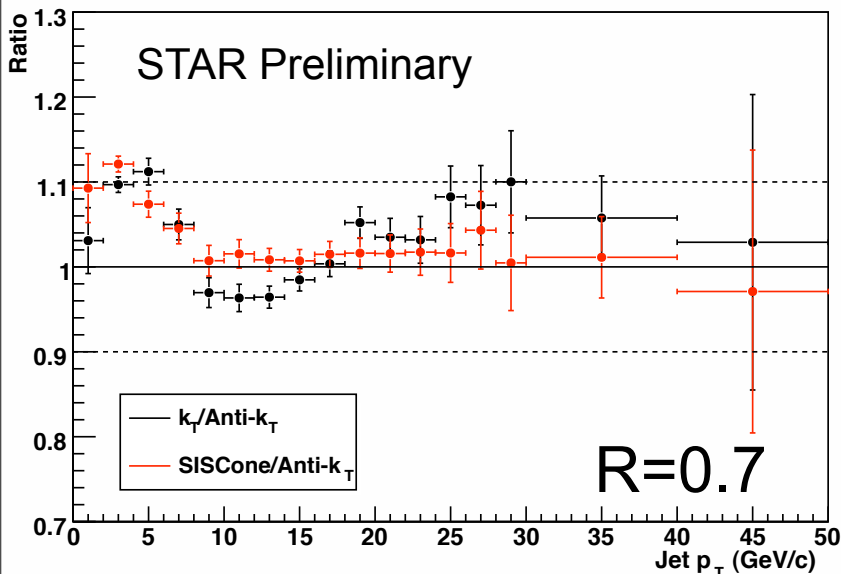
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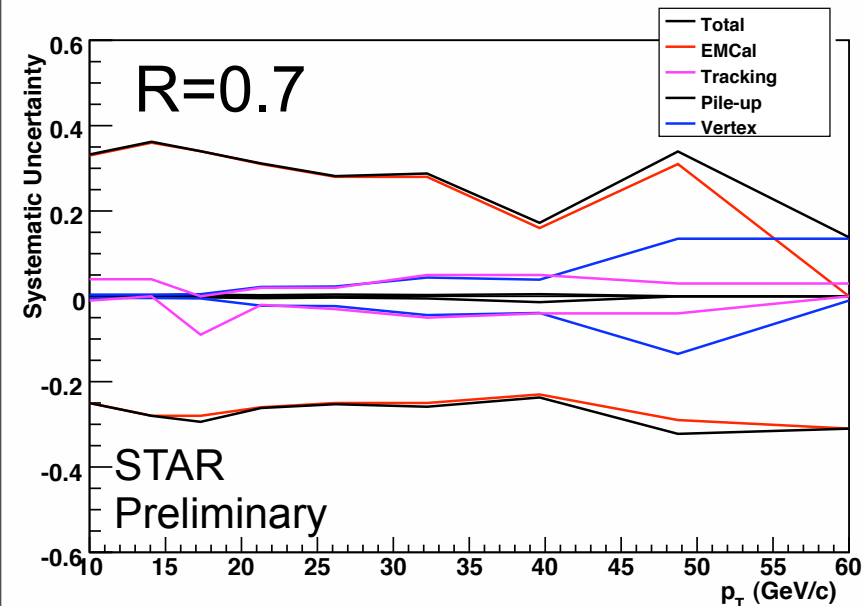


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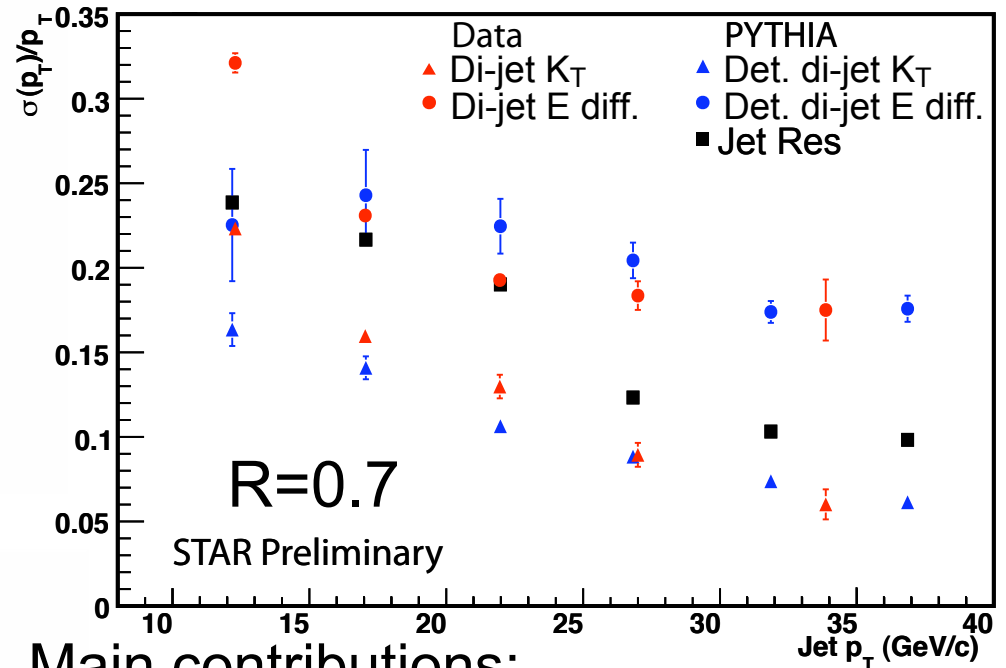
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Main contributions:

EMCal calibration, Tracking eff. uncert.

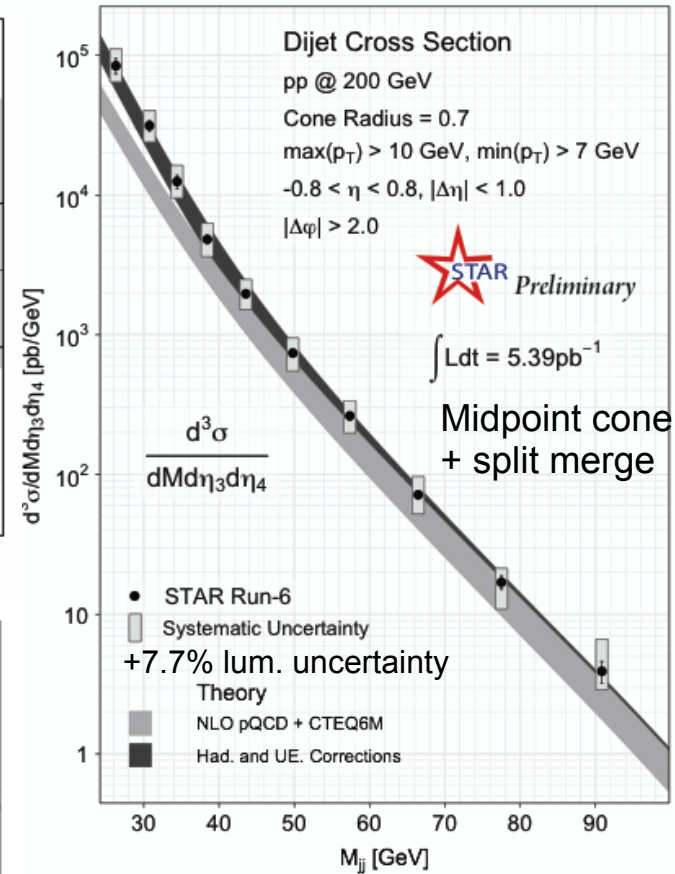
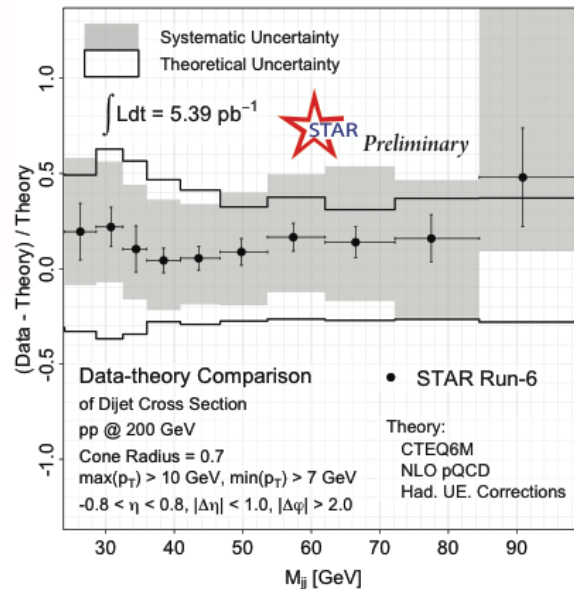
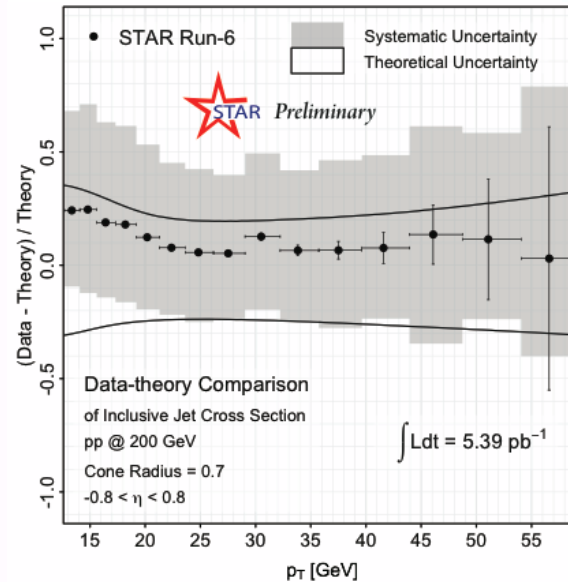
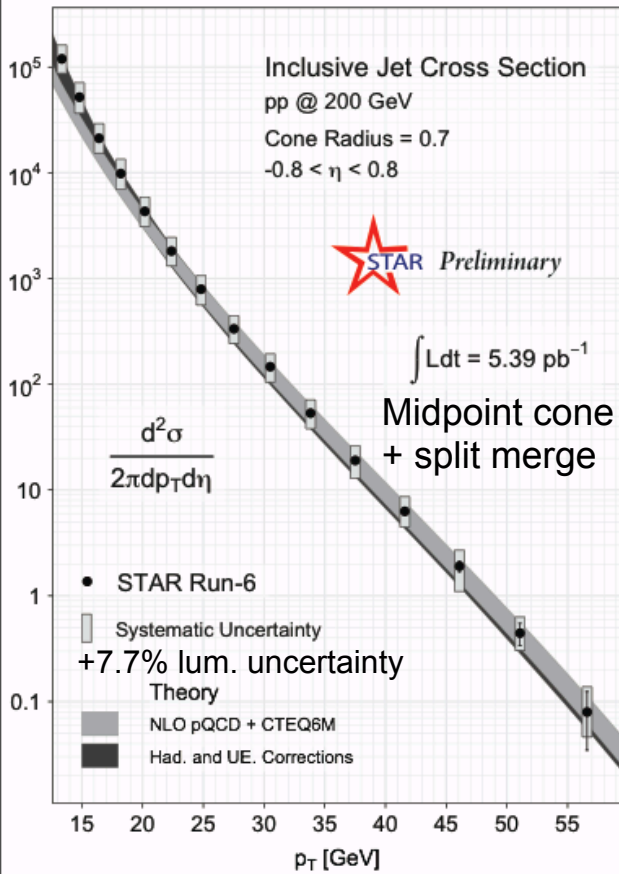
Pile-up, Vertex location selection

Luminosity: 7% (applied separately)

UE & hadronization (applied to theory)

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Jets in p - p

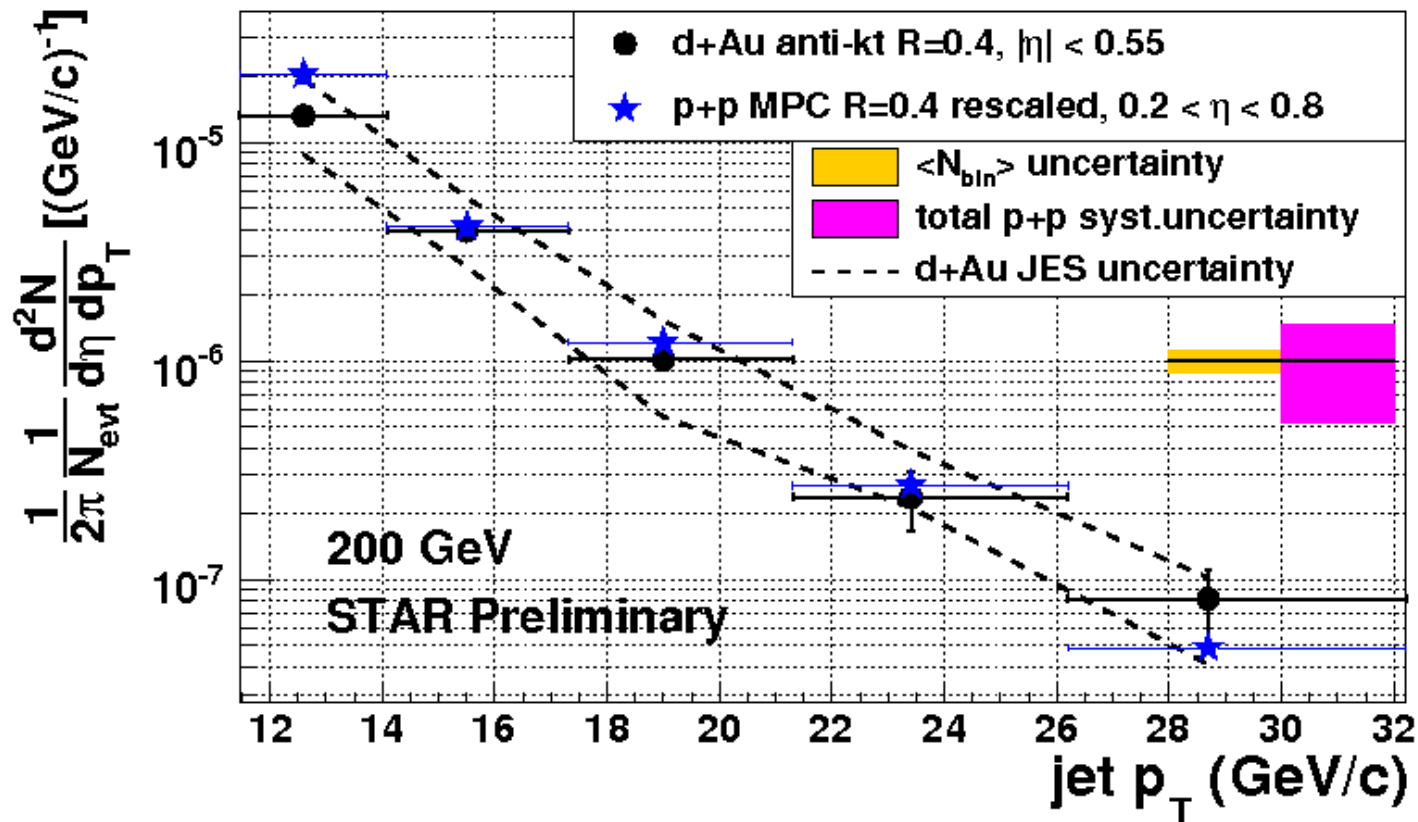


Hadronization and
 UE correction
 applied to theory

Jet and di-jet
 cross-section well
 described by NLO

d-Au: binary scaling of jet yields

Before looking at scattering effects in Au-Au we want to investigate what happens in d-Au (where we expect no QGP)

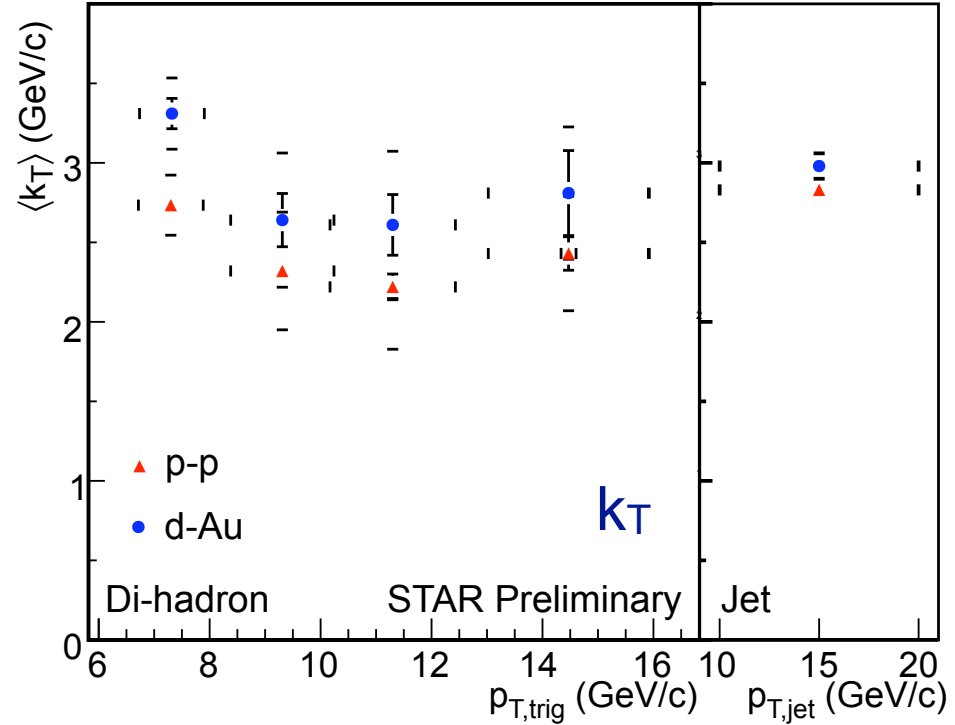
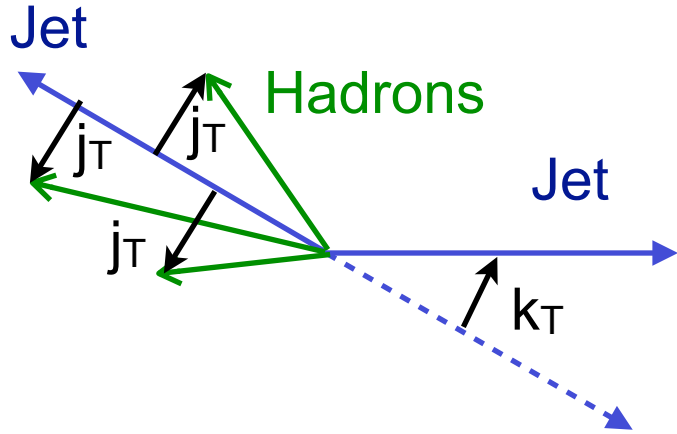


note:

different jet finding algorithms used
different η range used

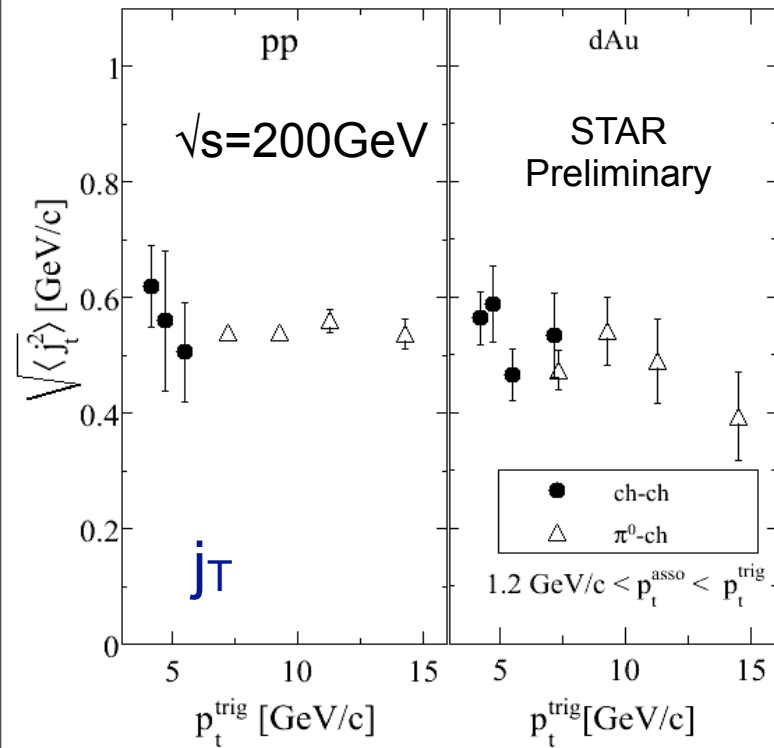
Jet spectra binary scale, within errors, with respect to p-p

Cold nuclear matter effects



- j_T - Constant with beam species and trigger p_T
- k_T - Depends on collision energy
d-Au consistently higher than p-p

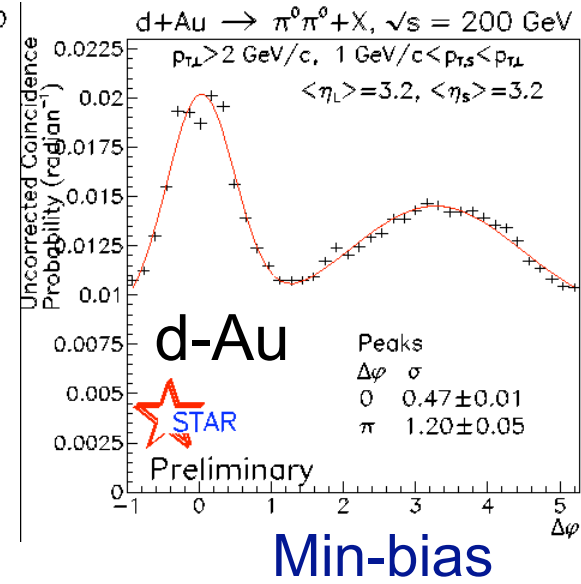
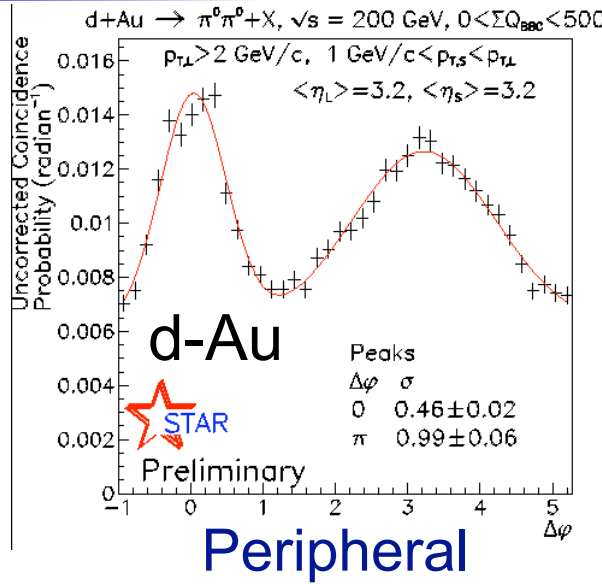
**CNM: small effect on partonic p_T
negligible effect on fragmentation**



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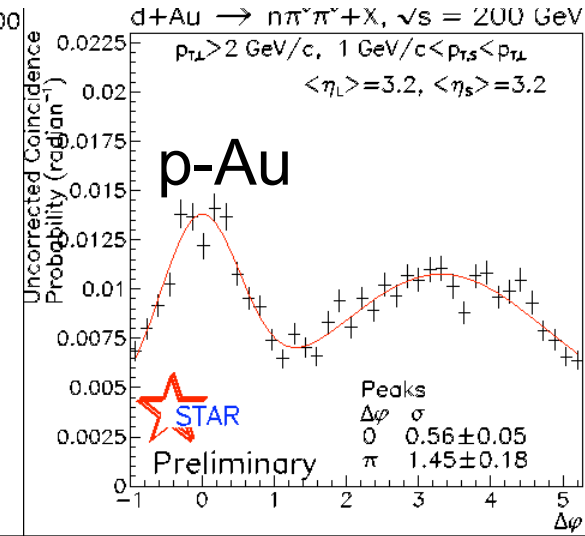
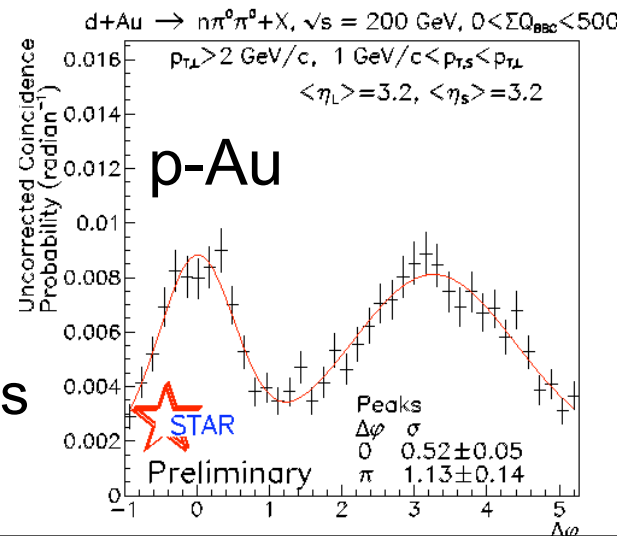
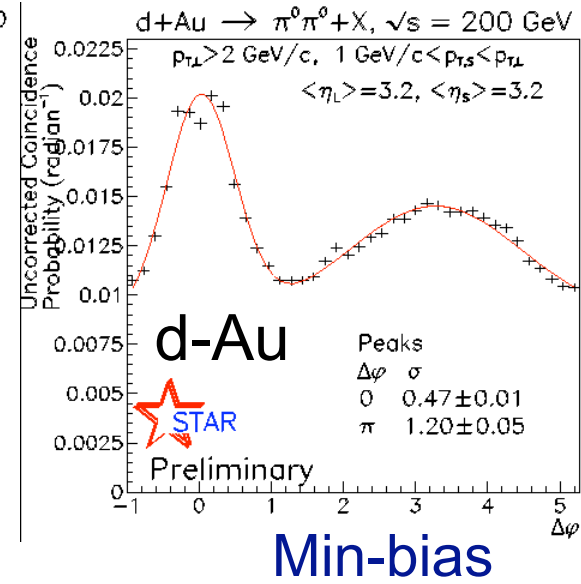
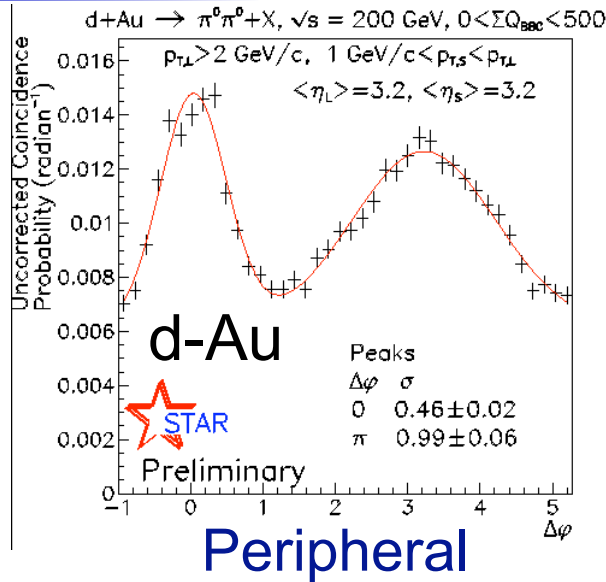
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Study p-Au:
Neutron in West ZDC

$BG_{p-Au} \sim BG_{p-p} < BG_{d-Au}$

Near- and away-side widths unchanged

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Background consistent with MPI dominating in d-Au
Away-side suppression consistent with CGC

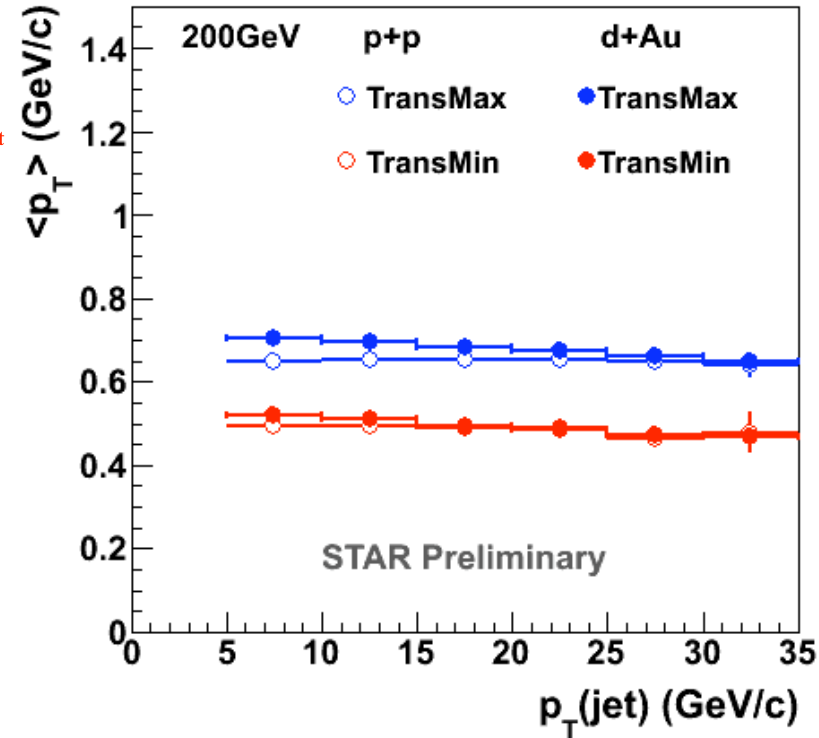
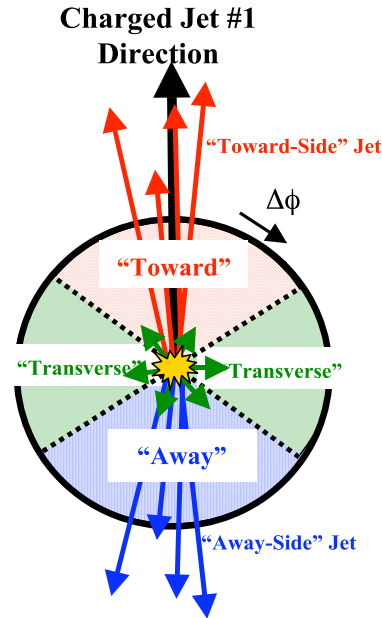
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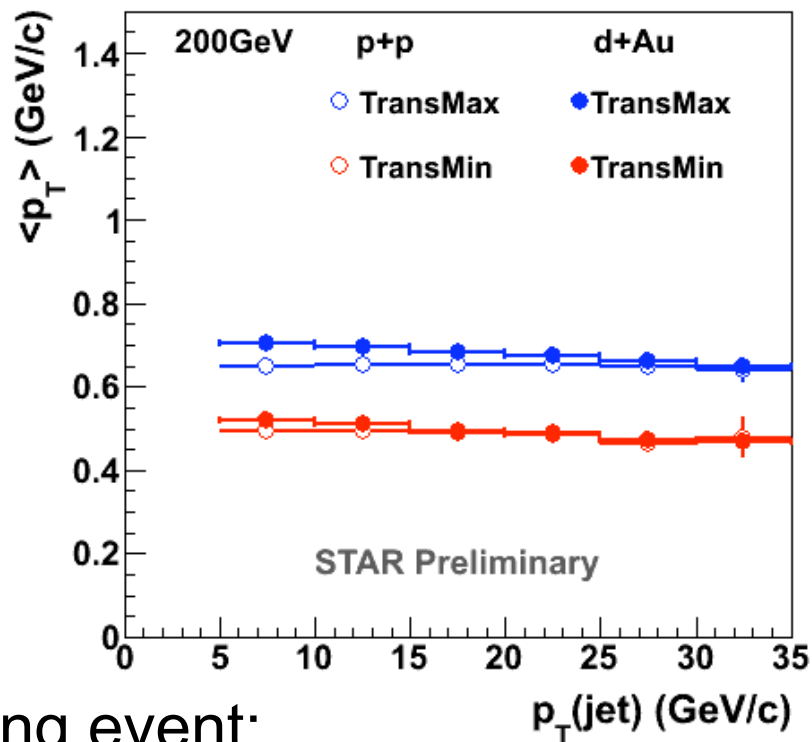
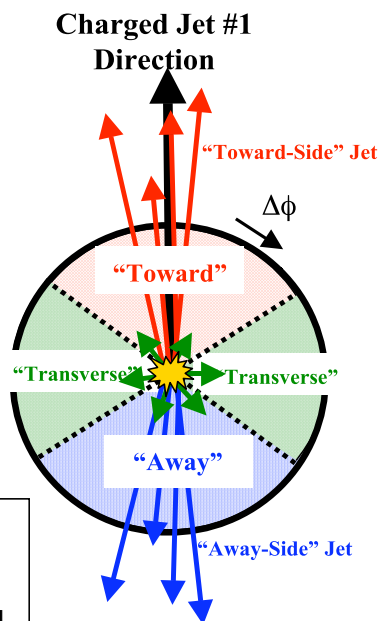
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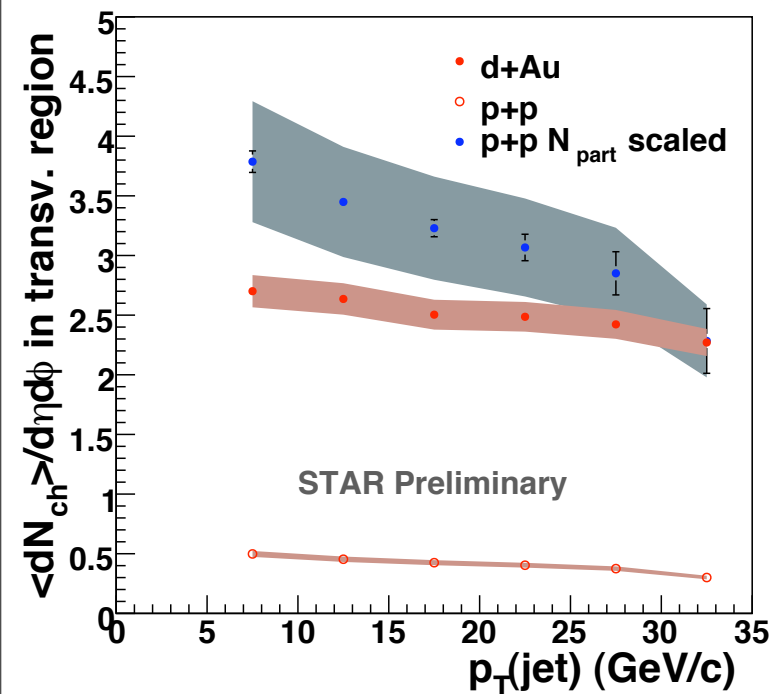
Underlying event:

$$dN_{ch}/d\eta d\phi$$

$$d\text{-}Au \sim 2.5 \sim 5 \times p\text{-}p$$

$$\sim N_{part} \times p\text{-}p$$

UE multiplicity scales much slower than N_{bin}



Au-Au: underlying event fluctuations

Schematically Au-Au jet spectrum: $\frac{d\sigma_{AA}}{dp_T} = \frac{d\sigma_{pp}}{dp_T} \otimes F(A, p_T)$

$F(A, p_T)$ - initial assumption: Gaussian distribution (a la FastJet)

If background independently distributed particles: M.Tannenbaum PLB 498 2001

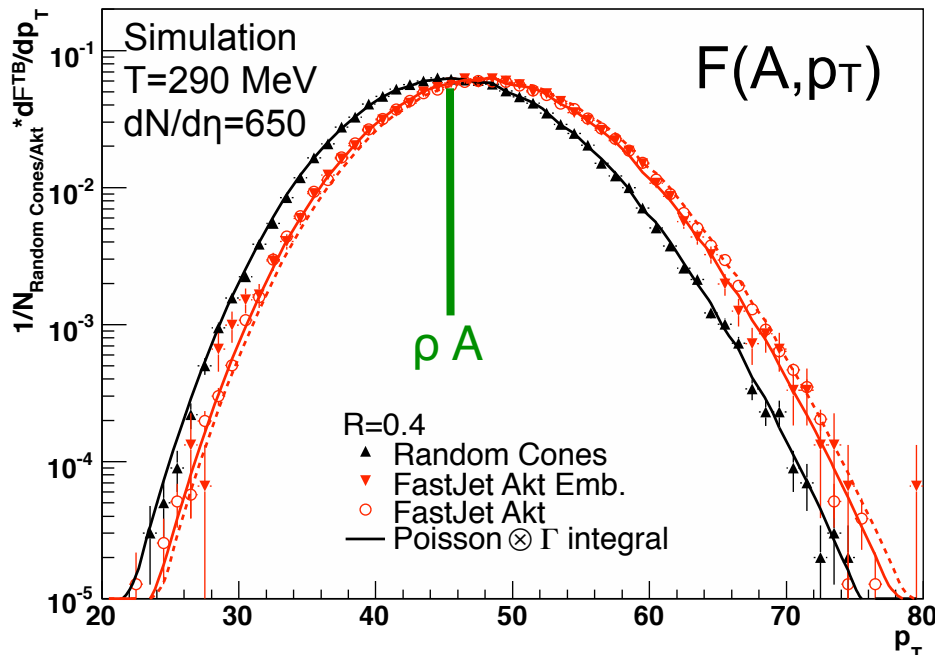
number fluct \sim Poisson

$\langle p_T \rangle$ fluct (fixed M) \sim Gamma

$$F(A, p_T) = \text{Poisson}(M(A)) \otimes \Gamma(M(A), \langle p_T \rangle)$$

$\rho A = \text{Mean energy} \times \text{Jet Area}$

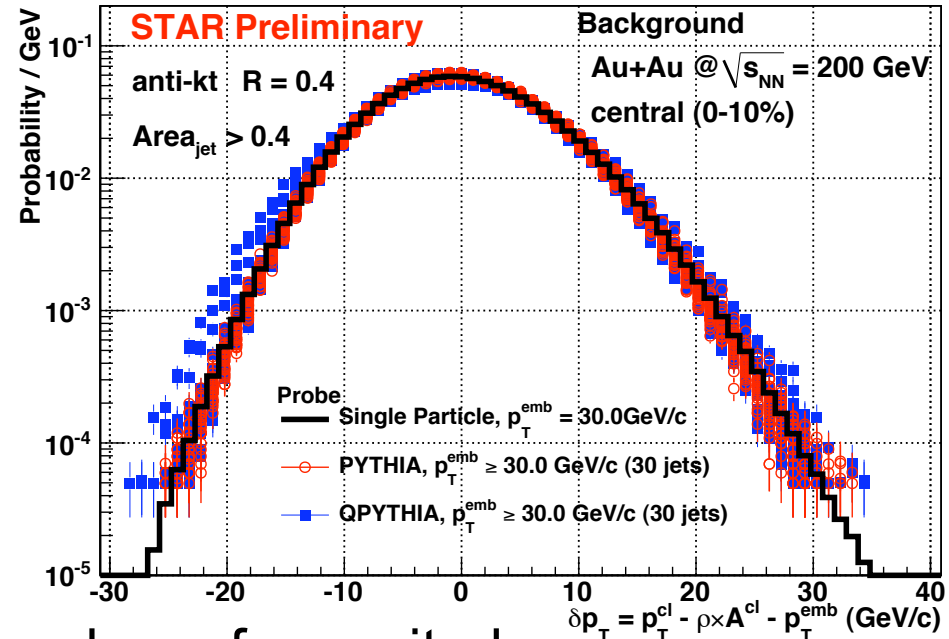
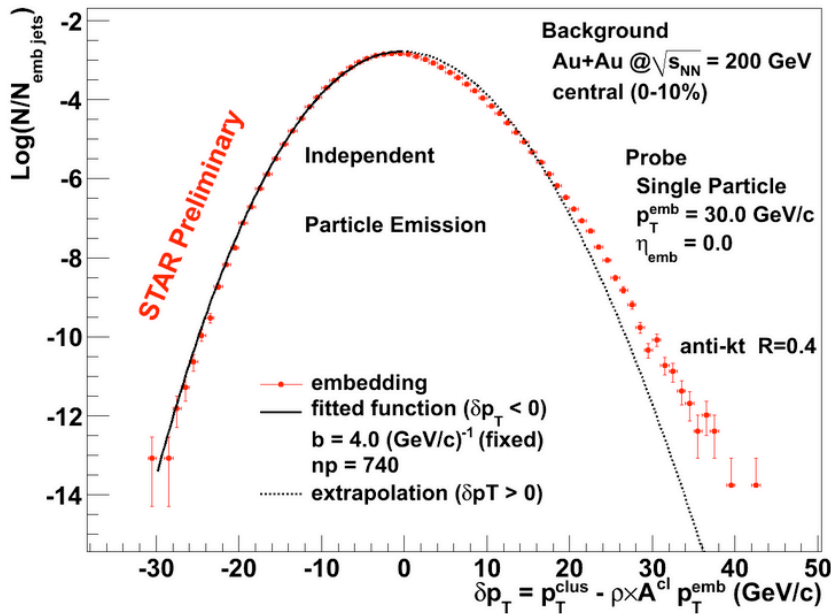
$F(A, p_T)$ closer to measurement but not exactly same - clustering occurs in non-random fashion!



Background fluctuations from data

Generalized probe embedding (GPE): data driven approach

$$\delta p_T(A) = p_T^{clus} - \rho \cdot A - p_T^{emb} \rightarrow F_{Fluc}(A, p_T^{meas})$$



Fluctuations mapped over several orders of magnitude

→ reduction of systematic uncertainties!

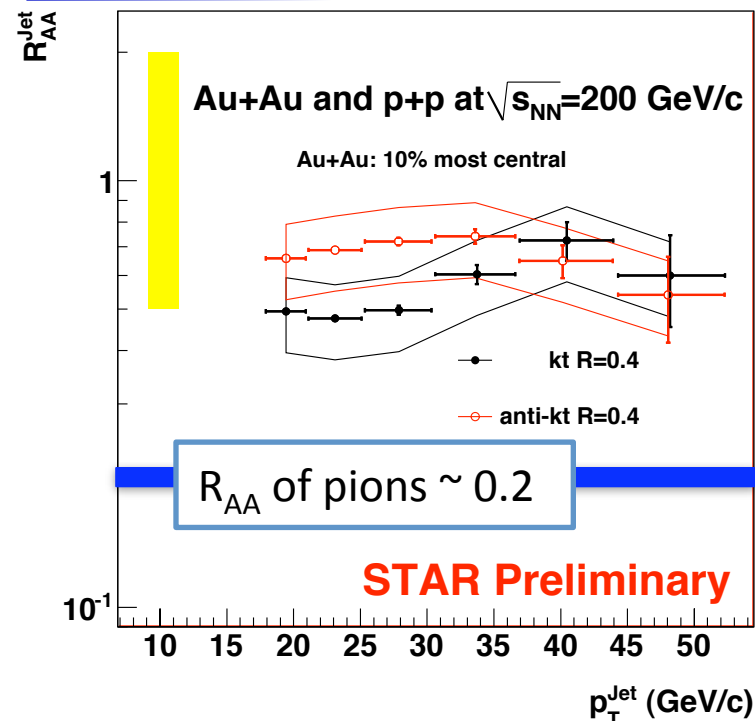
δp_T distribution independent (within x2 at $\delta p_T \sim 30$) of fragmentation model

Can perform BG subtraction before FF details known

Evidence of jet broadening

k_T and Anti- k_T known to have different sensitivities to background
 Jet $R_{AA} < 1$ ($R=0.4$)

Algorithms fail to recover all jet



$N_{\text{jet}}(R=0.2)/N_{\text{jet}}(R=0.4)$ vs $p_{T,\text{jet}}$

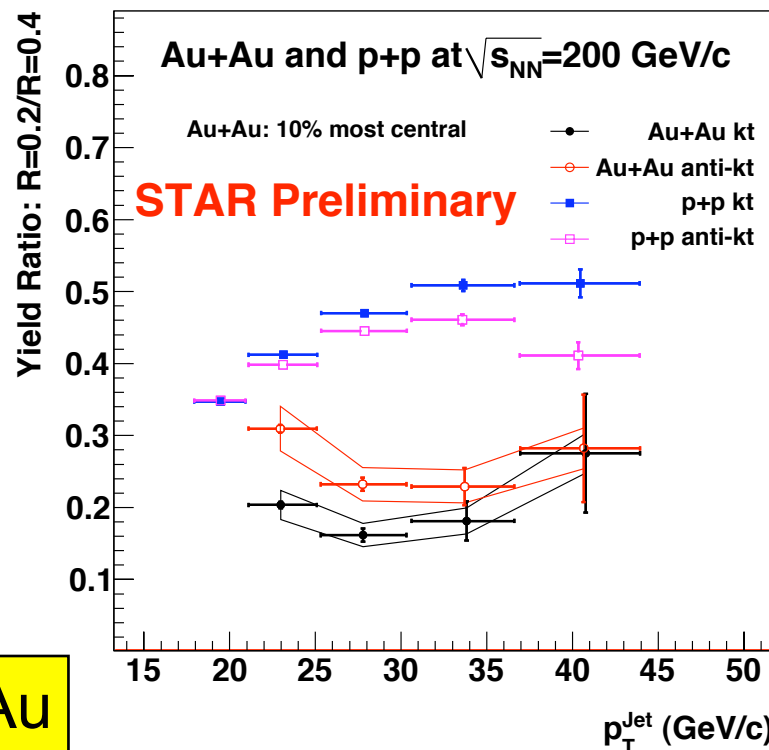
p-p:

“Focussing” of jet with jet energy

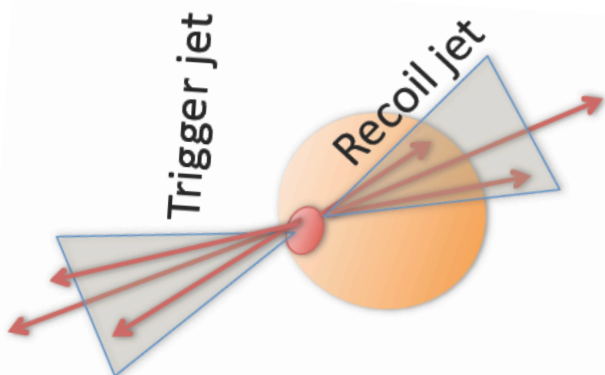
Au-Au:

“Broadening” of jet compared to p-p

Jet fragmentation broader in Au-Au



Di-jet coincidence rate

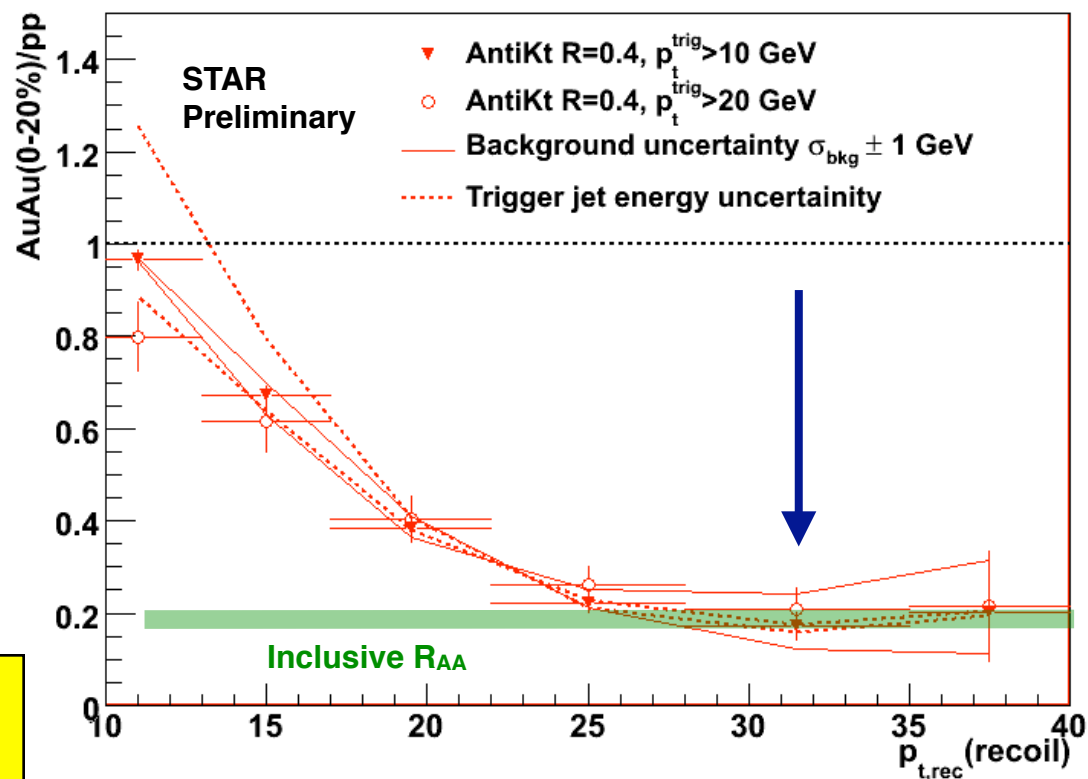


High tower trigger - single particle with high p_T bias maximizes distance through medium recoil jet traverses

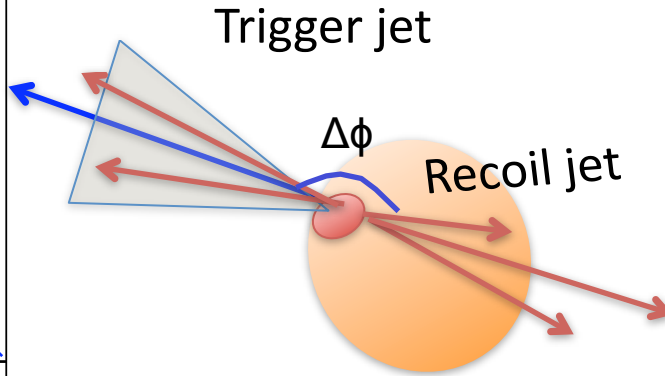
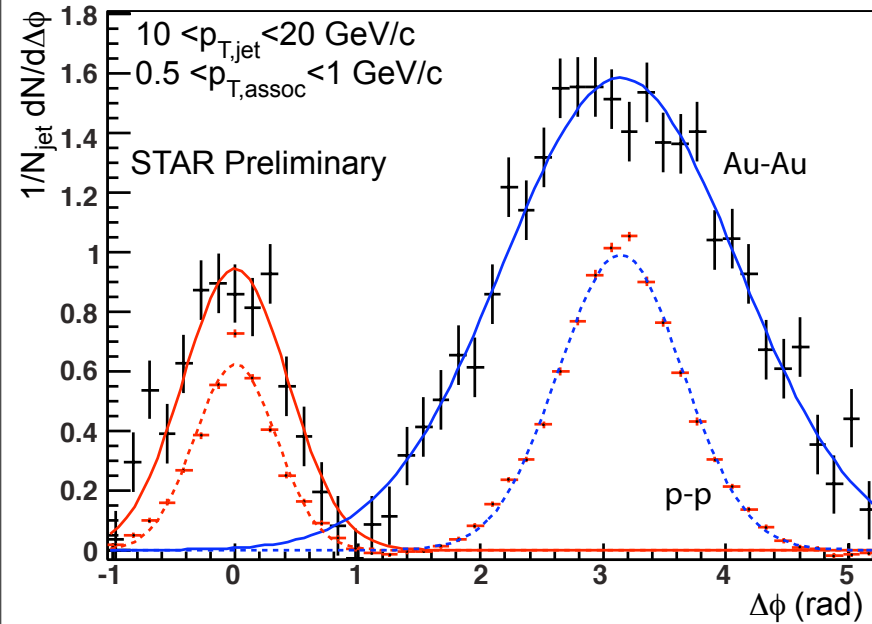
- Significant suppression of recoil jets - close to single particle R_{AA}
- Further evidence of broadening

Larger path length results in larger suppression/broadening

Compare yield of di-jets in p-p to Au-Au

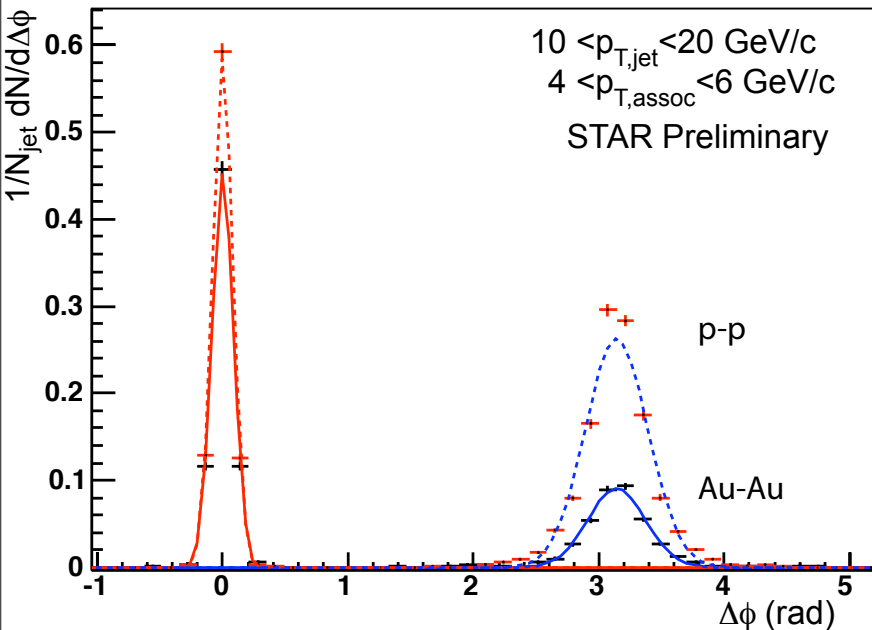


Jet-hadron correlations



Au+Au 0-20%
 High Tower Trigger
 1 tower
 $0.05 \times 0.05 (\eta \times \phi)$
 with $E_T > 5.4 \text{ GeV}$

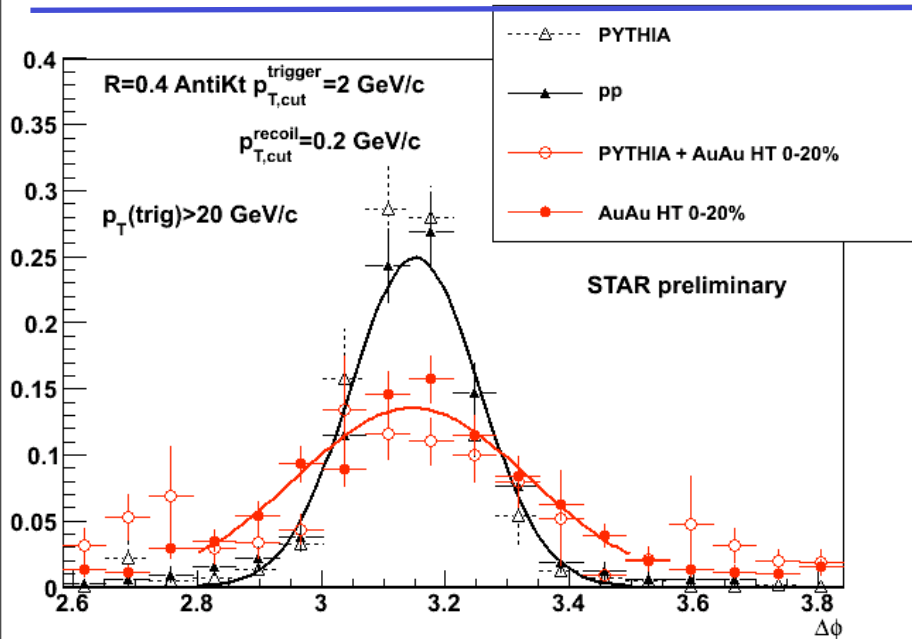
Jet trigger:
 Anti- k_T ,
 $R=0.4$,
 $p_{T,rec}(\text{jet})$ using
 $p_{T,particle} > 2 \text{ GeV}$



Away-side: **Broadening**
Softening

Direct measurement of
 modified fragmentation due
 to presence of sQGP

Broadening not deflection



$p_{Trec,jet} > 20 \text{ GeV}/c$, $p_{Trec,dijet} > 10 \text{ GeV}$
Di-jet: highest p_T with $|\phi_{jet} - \phi_{dijet}| > 2.6$

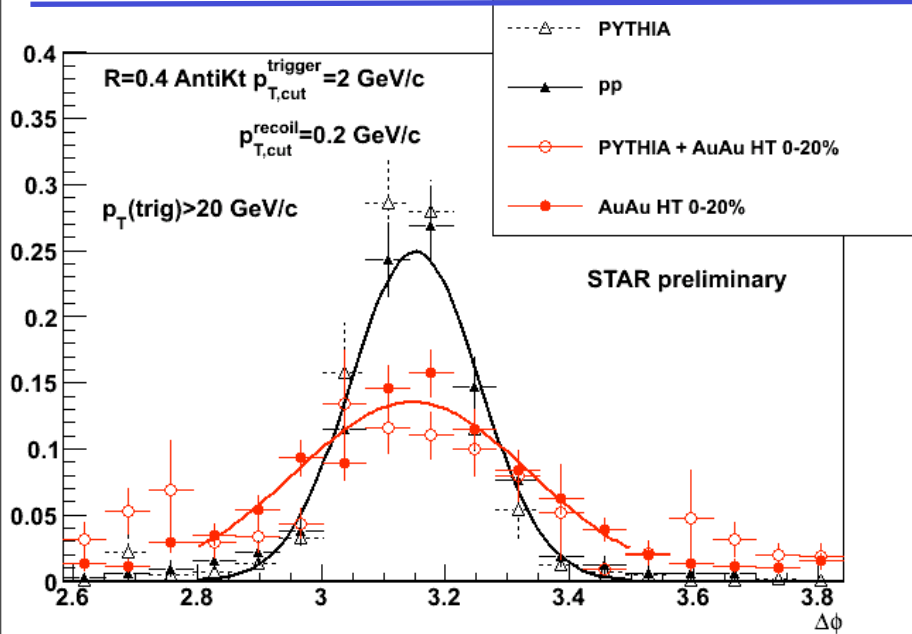
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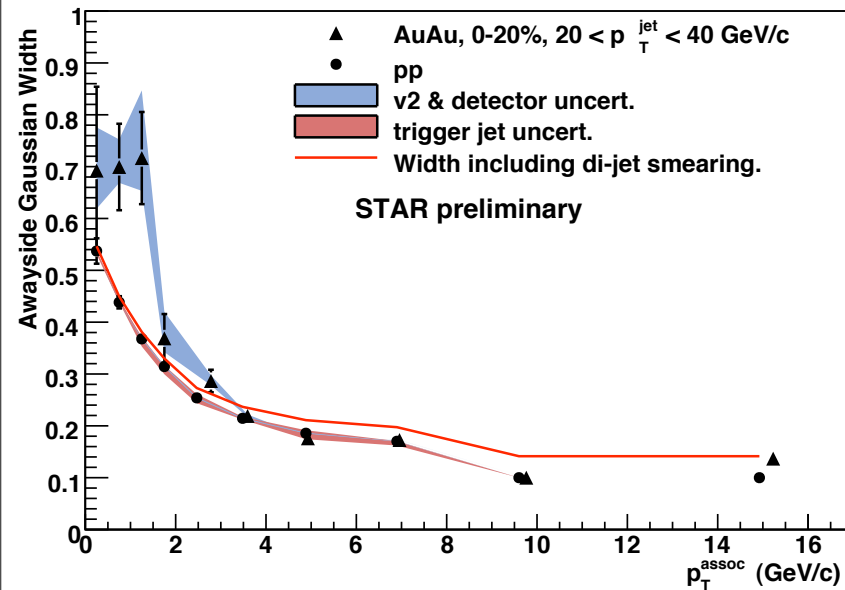
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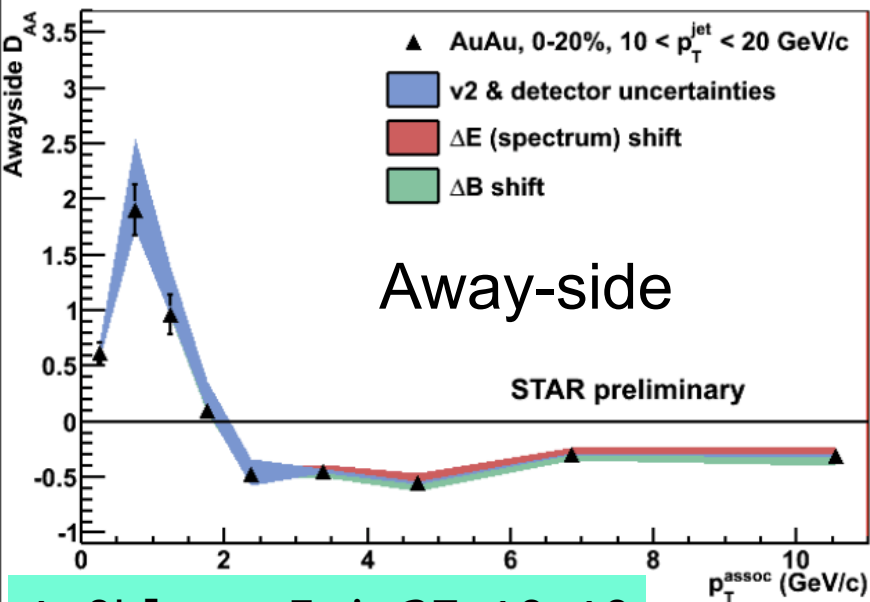
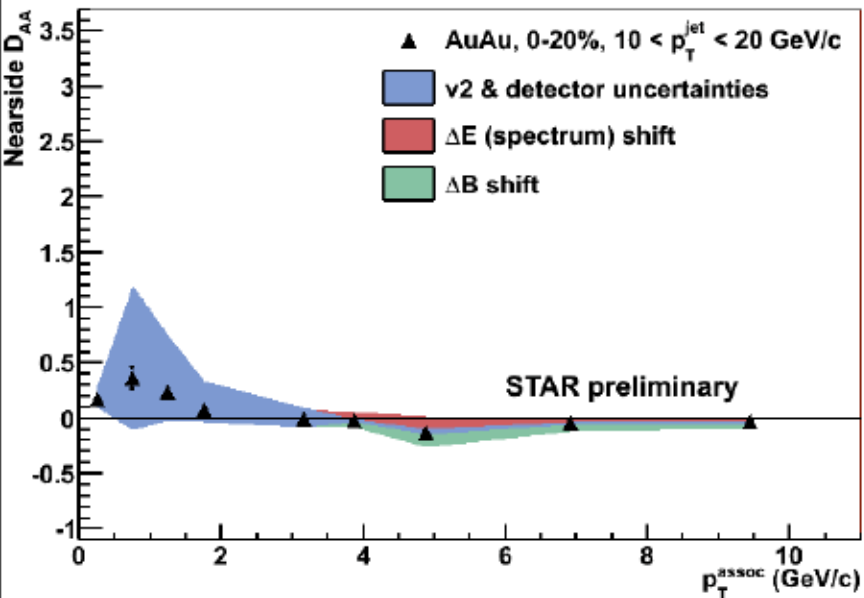
Au-Au away-side width **broader**

High p_T assoc

Au-Au away-side width **same**

Majority of broadening due to fragmentation not deflection

Jet-hadron: Energy balance



$D_{AA} = \text{Au-Au} - \text{p-p}$ Energy difference

$$D_{AA}(p_T^{\text{assoc}}) = Y_{AA}(p_T^{\text{assoc}}) \cdot p_{T,AA}^{\text{assoc}} - Y_{pp}(p_T^{\text{assoc}}) \cdot p_{T,pp}^{\text{assoc}}$$

$$\Delta B = \int dp_T^{\text{assoc}} D_{AA}(p_T^{\text{assoc}})$$

Near-side:

$$\Delta B = 0.6^{+1.9 + 0.5}_{-1.0 - 0.4} \text{ (sys) GeV/c}$$

Away-side:

$$\Delta B = 1.5^{+1.7 + 0.5}_{-0.4 - 0.4} \text{ (sys) GeV/c}$$

Energy lost at high p_T
 approximately
 recovered at low p_T and
 high R

PID triggered correlations

π^\pm , $(p^\pm+K^\pm)$, h^\pm

via statistical dE/dx

Baselines:

d-Au MB:

$$\pi = p+K$$

Au-Au 0-10%:

$$\pi < p+K$$

Near-side Peaks:

d-Au MB:

lower for p+K

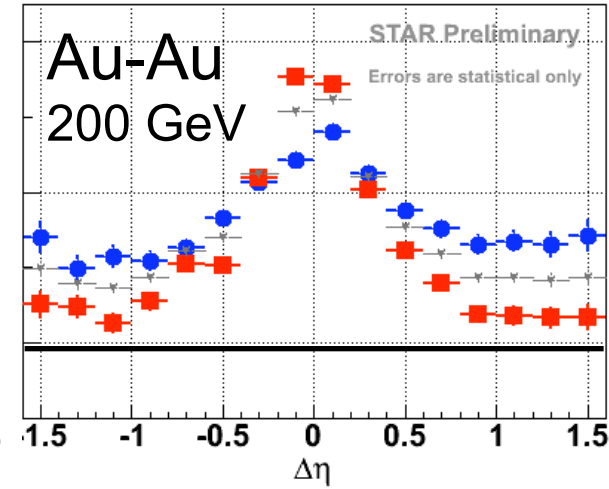
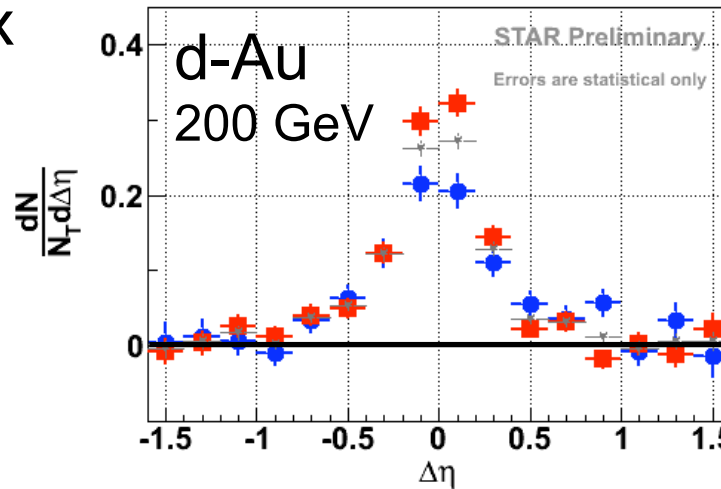
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Integrated Near-side yield

d-Au = Au-Au for π and p+K

$$p_{T,Trig} = 4-6 \text{ GeV}/c, p_{T,Assoc} > 1.5 \text{ GeV}/c$$
$$|\Delta\Phi| < 0.73$$



p+K \rightarrow enhanced ridge

π triggers \rightarrow higher jet yields

No strong dilution of near-side jet yields due to “false” triggers from recombination observed

Summary of STAR jet data at $\sqrt{s}=200$ GeV

Full jet reconstruction:

- p-p jet and di-jet cross-sections are well described by NLO
- d-Au jet cross-section consistent with binary scaled p-p data
- d-Au UE mult. shows approximate N_{part} scaling with similar $\langle p_{\text{T}} \rangle$
- k_{T} measures suggest CNM effects are small for jets
- Understanding of Au-Au background much clearer
- First clear indications of broadening of jet fragmentation in A-A

Di-hadron correlations:

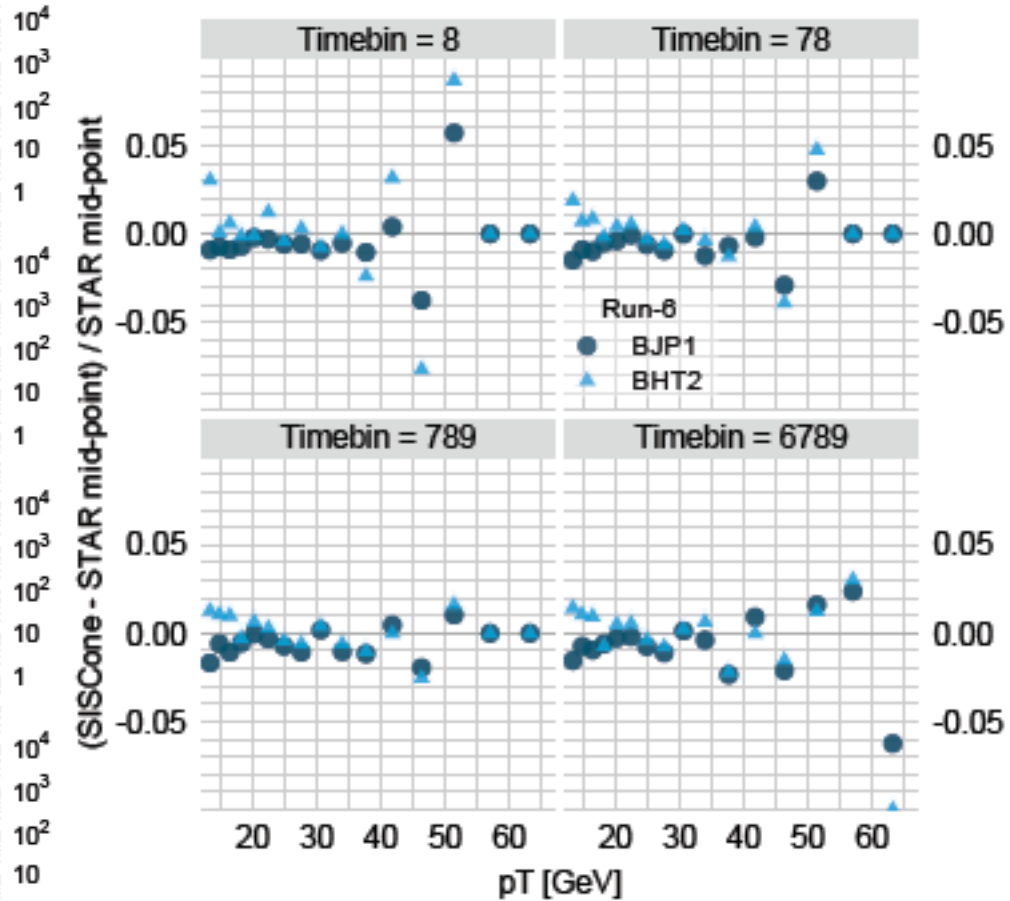
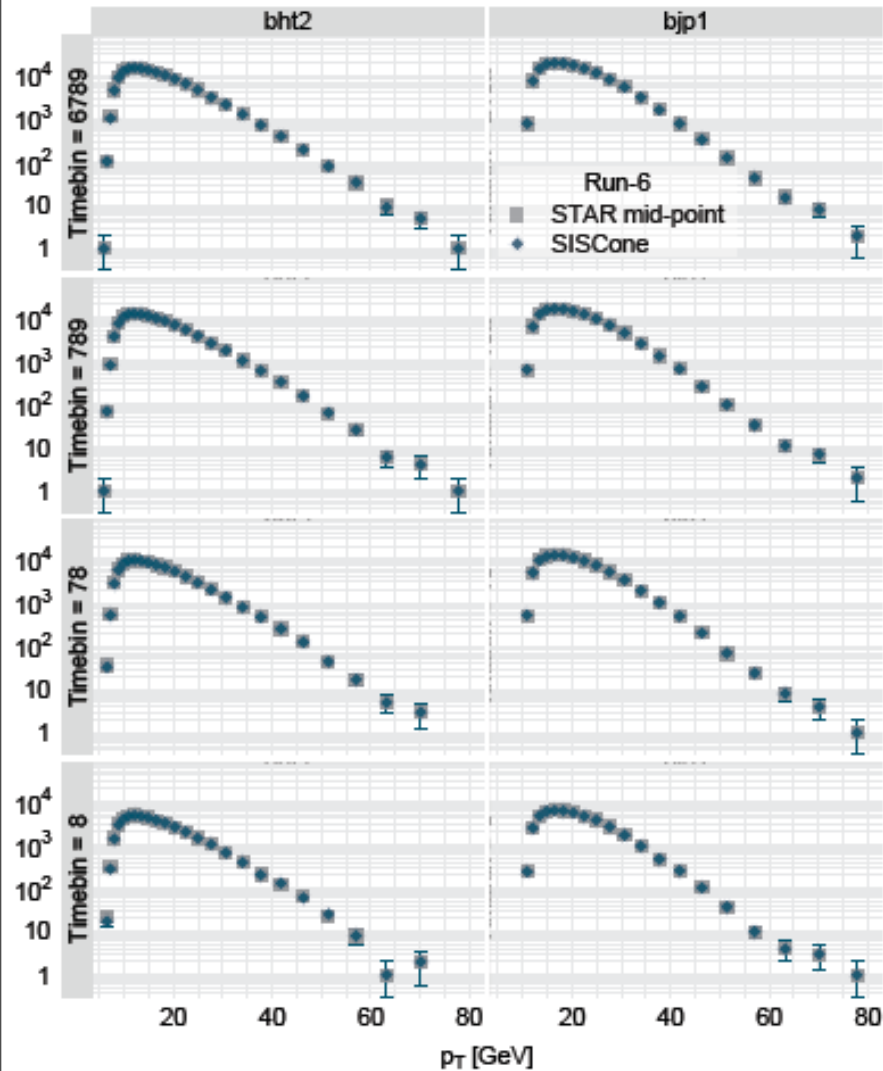
- Low-x correlations indicate MPI are significant in d-Au collisions
- PID triggered correlations pose a challenge to recombination picture at intermediate p_{T}

Jet-hadron correlations:

- Au-Au data indicate “lost” high p_{T} fragments, re-emerge as numerous low p_{T} particles at large cone angles

p - p - SIS Cone vs Midpoint cone

Raw distributions



For $R=0.7$ agreement good to few%

The challenge: Heavy-ion background

$$p_T(\text{Jet Measured}) \sim p_T(\text{Jet}) + \text{HI BG}(A) \pm \text{Fluct}(A)$$

BG energy density per unit area ρ/A :
(determined by FastJet algorithm)

$$\rho A \sim 45 \text{ GeV for } R_C=0.4 \text{ (S/B } \sim 0.5 \text{ for } 20 \text{ GeV jet)}$$

Background fluctuations:

A priori unknown background fluctuation distribution $\text{Fluct}(A)$.

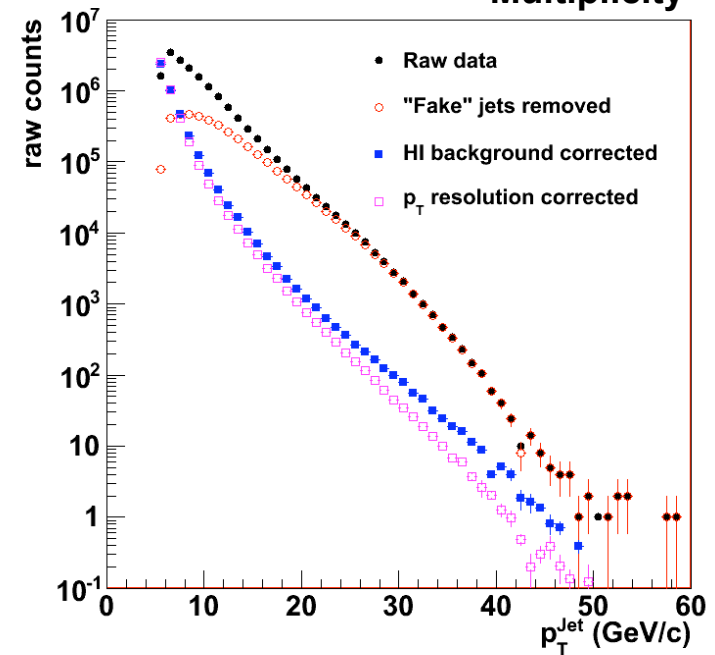
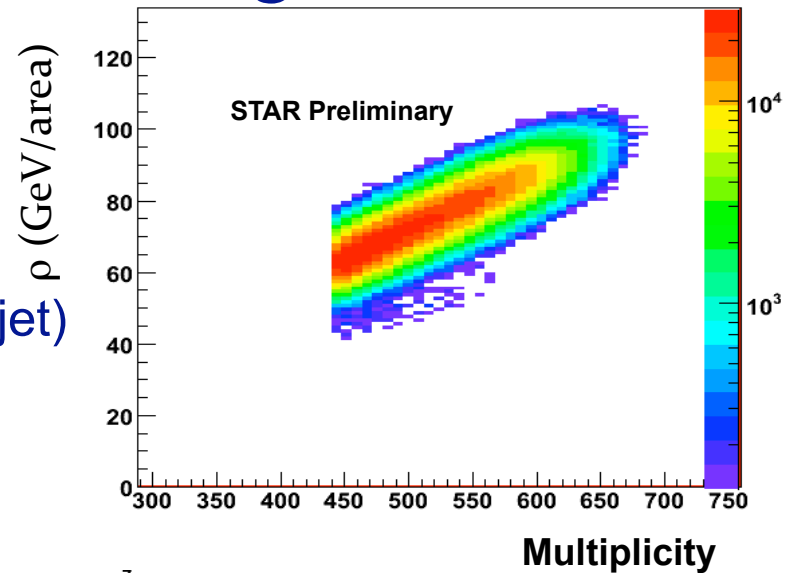
Gaus approx: $\sigma \sim 6\text{-}7 \text{ GeV for } R_C=0.4$

Jet energy resolution:

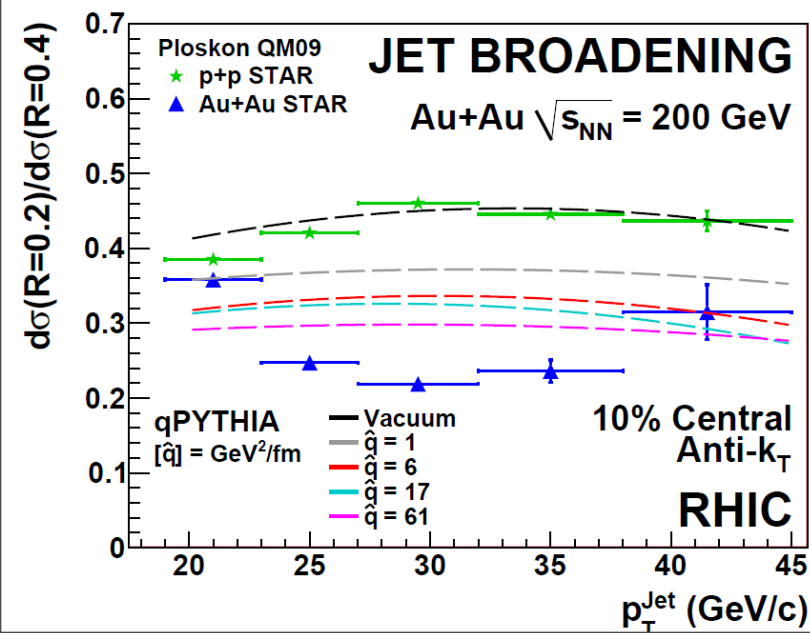
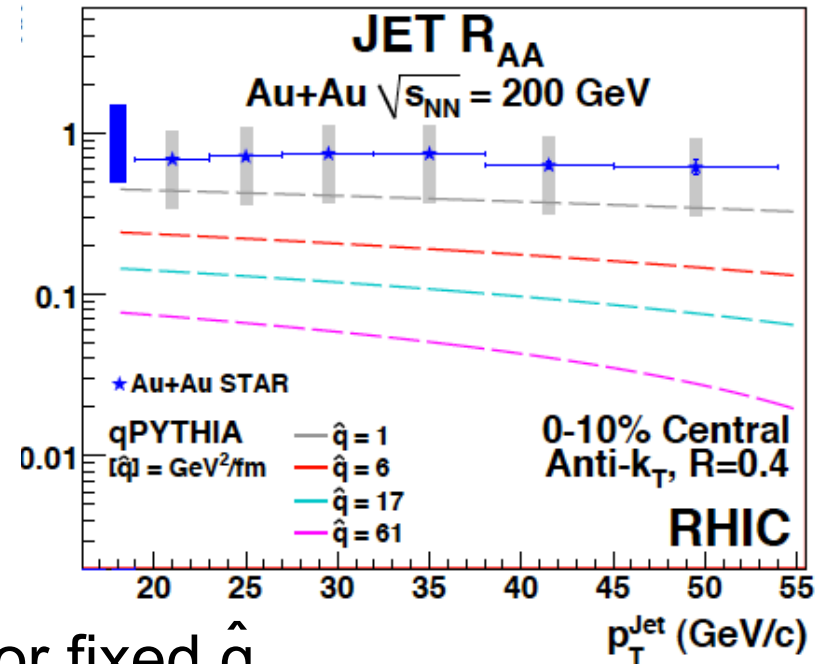
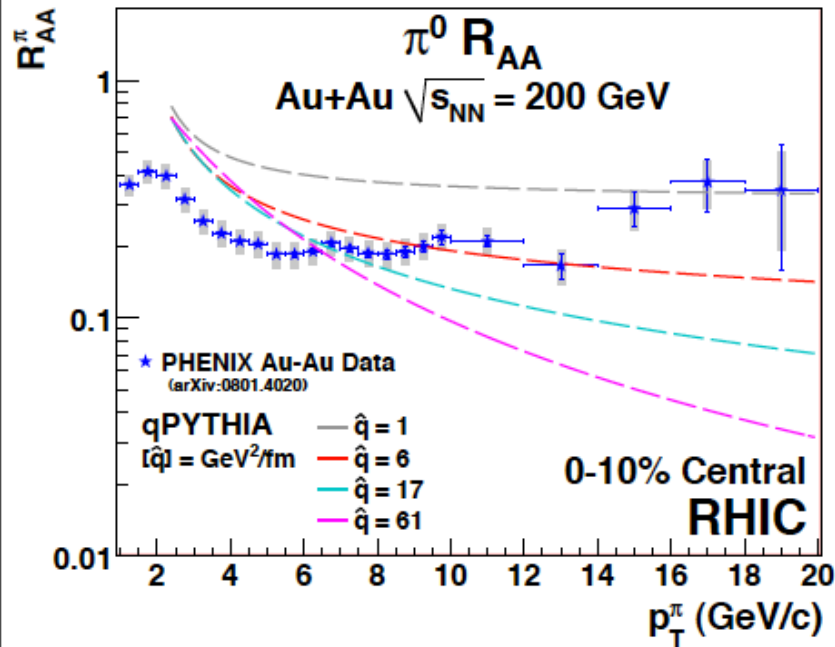
$\sim 15\text{-}20\%$ also causes shift in measured energy

Smearing + steeply falling spectrum cause "bulge" in measured spectrum \rightarrow Need to unfold

Correct BG model critical \rightarrow main systematic uncertainty in HI



Confronting qPYTHIA with RHIC data



For fixed \hat{q}

- Single particle spectra OK
- Jet R_{AA} too low
- $R(0.2)/R(0.4)$ OK for p-p
- $R(0.2)/R(0.4)$ too high Au-Au

Jet quenching too extreme
broadening too little from 0.2 \rightarrow 0.4