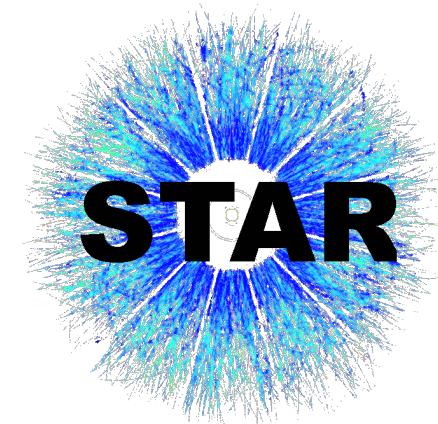


# Jet Measurements with Neutral and Di-jet Triggers in Central Au+Au Collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV with STAR

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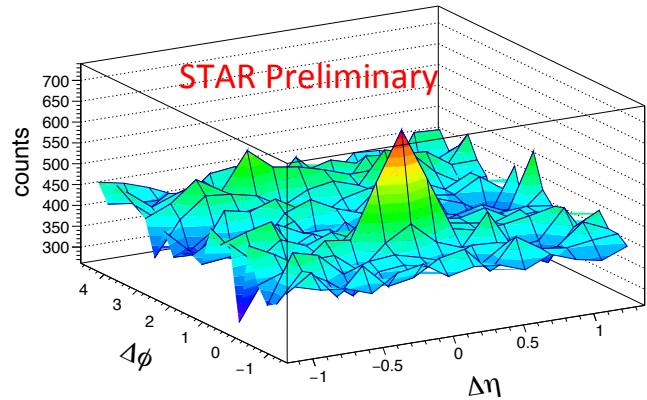
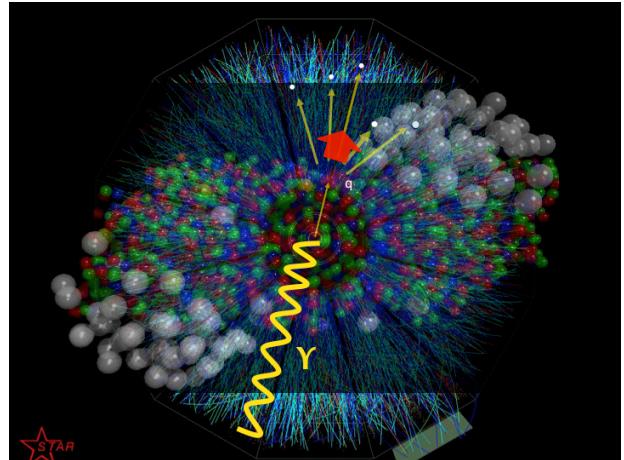
# Outline

## Two measurements

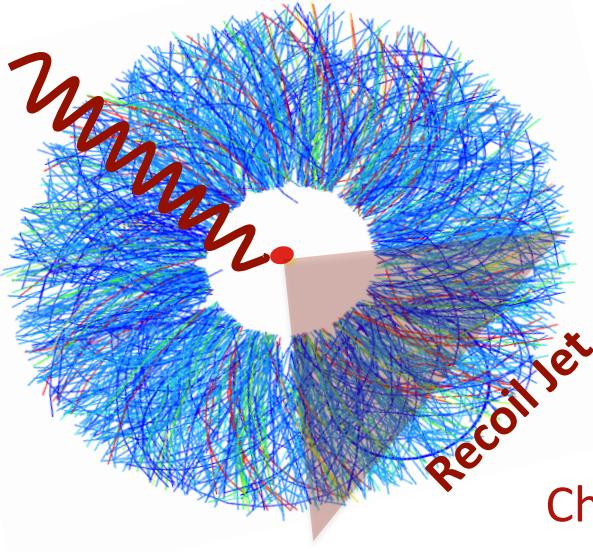
1. Neutral trigger jets:  
 $\gamma + \text{jet}$  and  $\pi^0 + \text{jet}$

2. Di-jet energy imbalance

in heavy-ion collisions at  
the STAR experiment



# Motivation for $\gamma$ +jet



- Good tomographic probe

Direct photon:

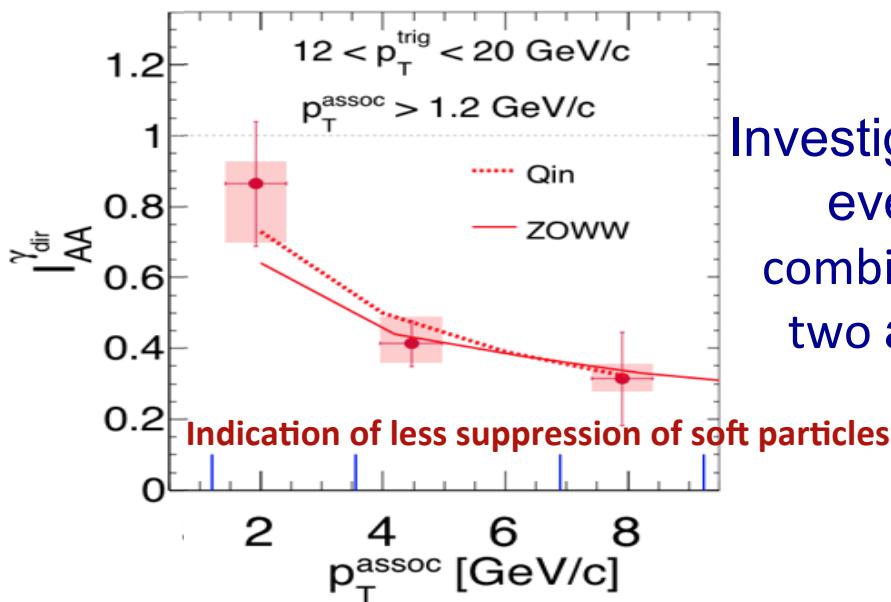
- Transverse energy approximates that of initial recoil parton  $p_T$
- Not surface biased

Challenging  $\gamma$ +jet measurement

( $h^\pm$ +jet: arXiv:1702.01108)

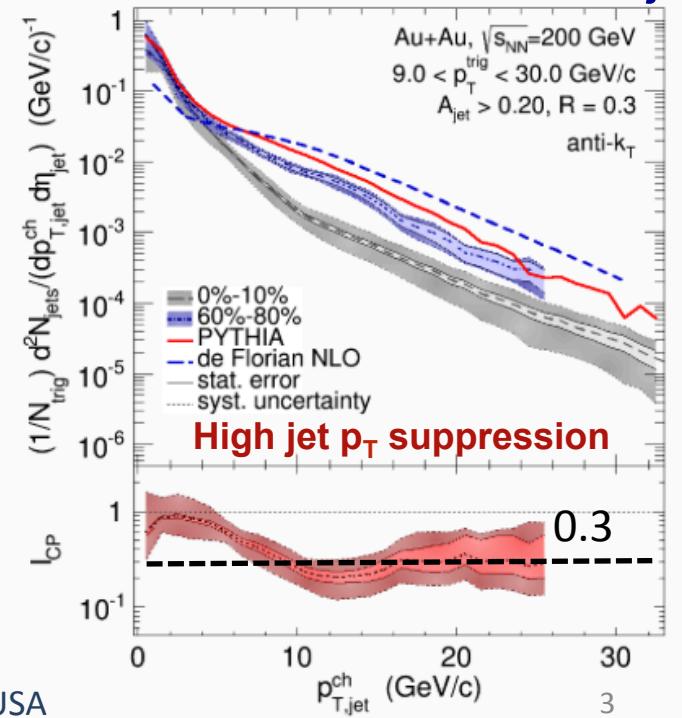
Semi-inclusive  $h^\pm$ +jet

$\gamma$ +hadron correlation [PLB 760 (2016) 689]



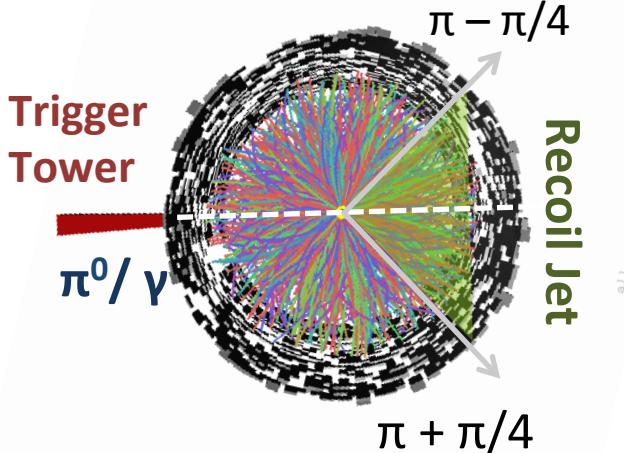
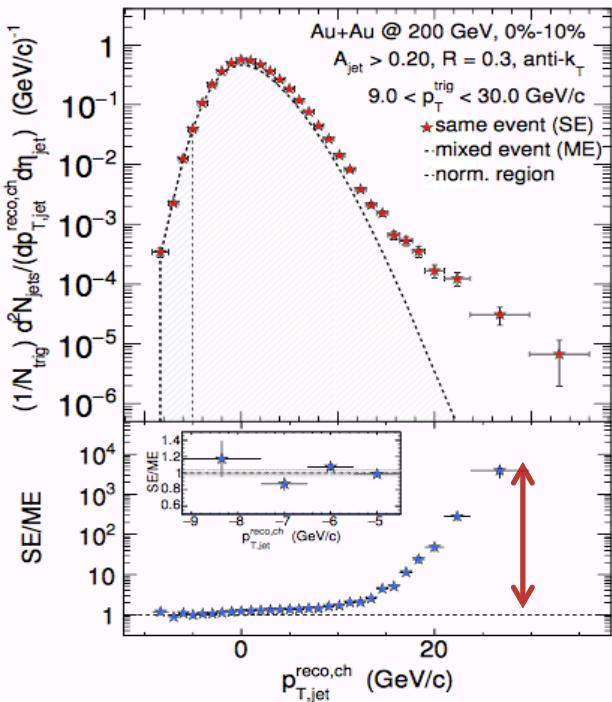
Investigating  $\gamma$ +jet events by combining these two analyses

Nihar Sahoo, QM2017, Chicago, USA



# Semi-inclusive recoil jets

$h^\pm + \text{jet} : 9 < p_T^{\text{trig}} < 30 \text{ GeV}/c$



- A new mixed event (ME) method to correct the uncorrelated background jets in HIC
  - Large signal to background at high jet  $p_T^{\text{reco}}$
  - Charged jet reconstruction (using FastJet3.0.6)
    - $k_T$  algo. for bkgd. Subtraction and anti- $k_T$  algo. for jet reconstruction
- $$p_{T,\text{jet}}^{\text{reco},\text{ch}} = p_{T,\text{jet}}^{\text{raw},\text{ch}} - \rho A_{\text{jet}}$$
- R: Jet resolution parameter (jet radius),  $A_{\text{jet}}$ : Active jet area and  $\rho$ : ave. momentum density ( $k_T$ - algo.)

$$\rho \equiv \text{median} \left[ \left\{ \frac{p_T^{\text{jet}}}{A_{\text{jet}}} \right\} \right]$$

[ $h^\pm + \text{jet}$ : arXiv:1702.01108]

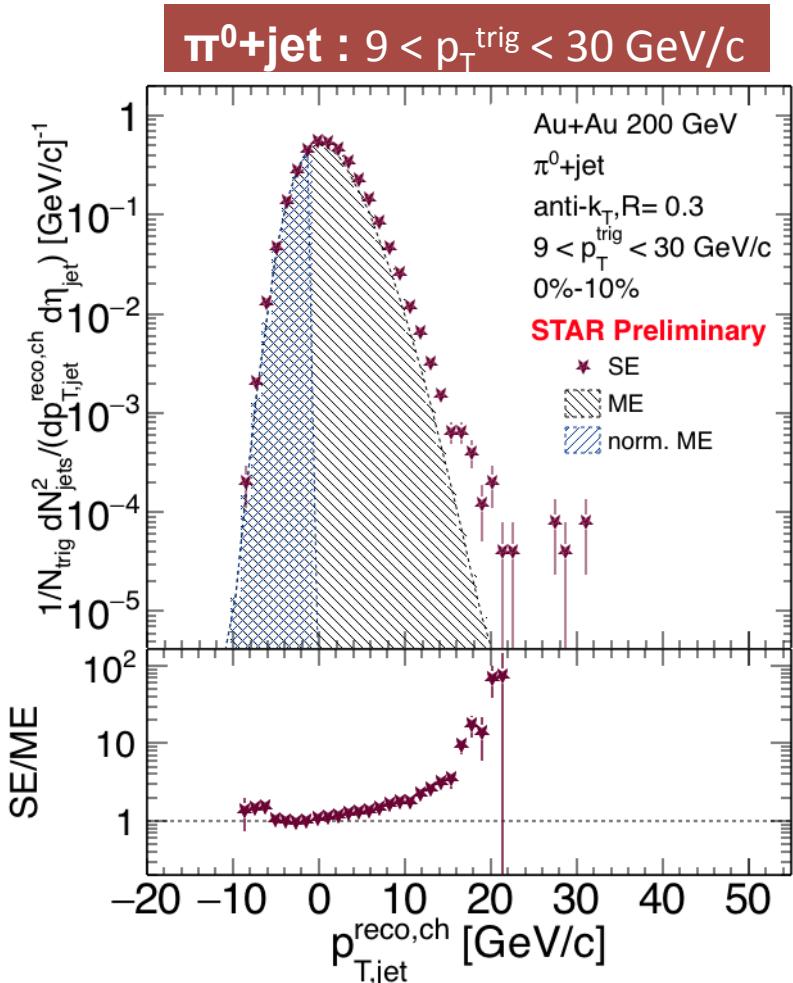
- $\pi^0/\gamma$  discrimination in heavy-ion experiment
  - STAR barrel electromagnetic calorimeter (BEMC) and shower maximum detector (BSMD)
  - Transverse shower profile (TSP) method

[STAR:PLB 760 (2016) 689]

$$\Delta\phi \in \left[ \frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{4} \right]$$

Now move to  $\pi^0 + \text{jet}$  in Au+Au collisions

# Background subtraction and correction

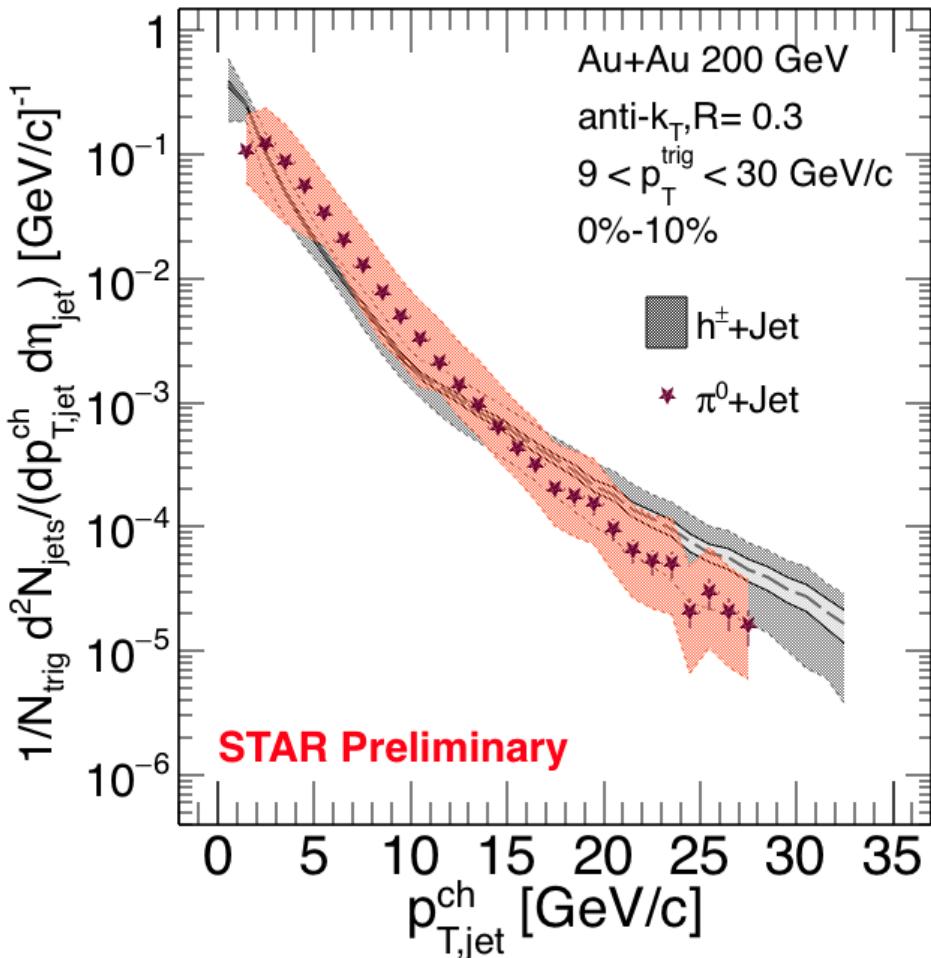


SE: Same events ME: Mixed events

- Event-by-event average background energy density correction done
- Signal dominates with respect to background at high jet  $p_T^{\text{reco}}$  and combinatorial jets at small jet  $p_T^{\text{reco}}$
- Uncorrelated background jet contribution corrected by mixed events subtraction

**Does our  $\pi^0 + \text{jet}$  agree with  $h^\pm + \text{jet}$  measurements in HIC ?**

# $\pi^0$ +jet vs. $h^\pm$ +jet



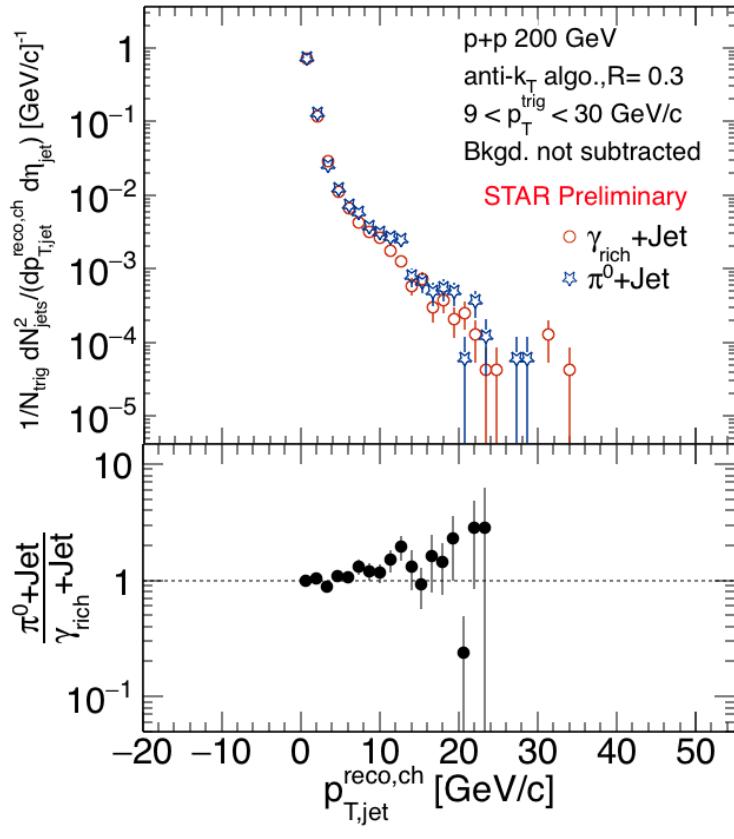
- Applying correction due to detector and background fluctuations effects
  - Singular value decomposition (SVD) method for unfolding
- Taking into account systematic effects,  $\pi^0$ +jet and  $h^\pm$ +jet show agreement within uncertainties

( $h^\pm$ +jet: arXiv:1702.01108)

What about comparison between  $\pi^0$ +jet and  $\gamma$ +jet ?

# $\pi^0 + \text{jet}$ vs. $\gamma + \text{jet}$

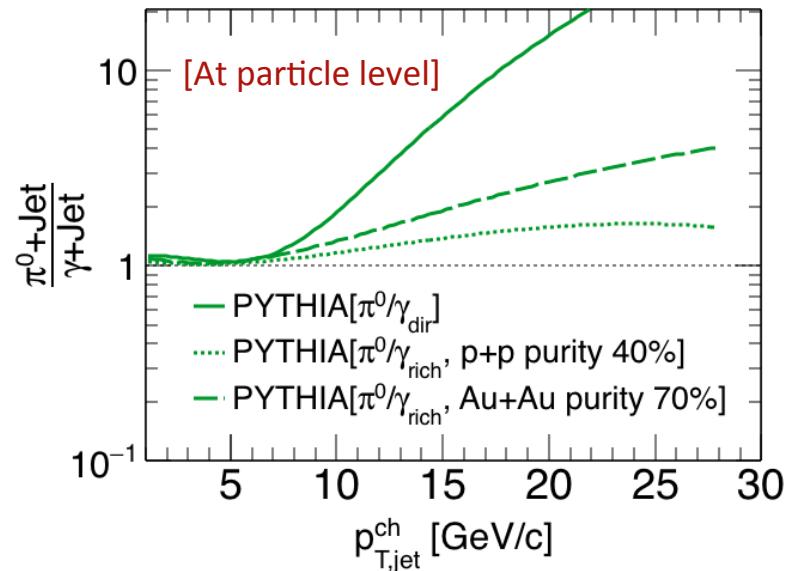
Raw Jet  $p_T$  without background and detector effect correction  
**p+p**



Purity of  $\gamma_{\text{dir}}$  : [STAR:PLB 760 (2016) 689]  
**p+p ~40%**  
**Au+Au (0-10%) ~70%**

## PYTHIA expectation

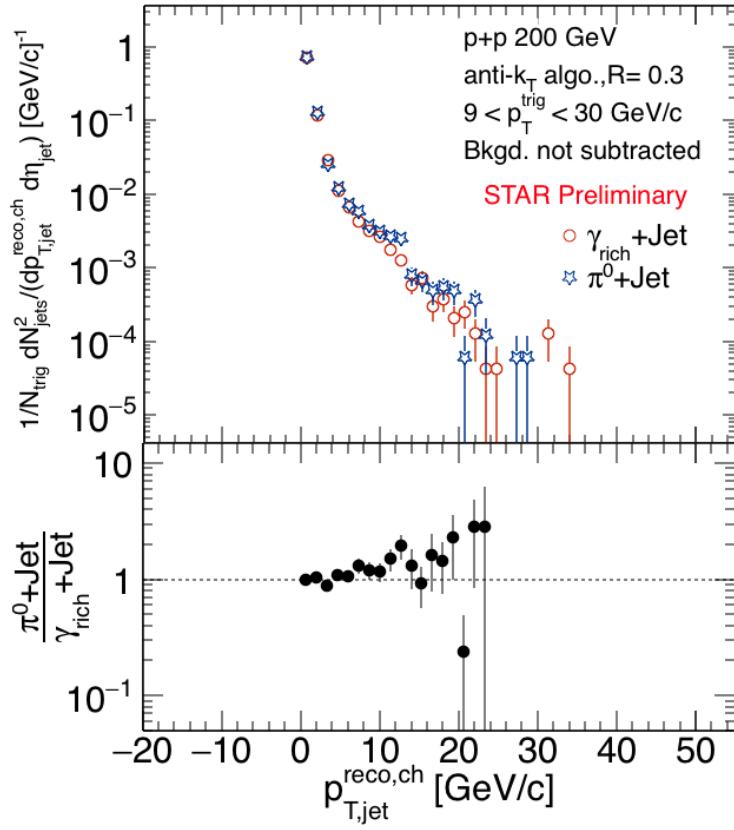
(for different purity of  $\gamma_{\text{dir}}$ )



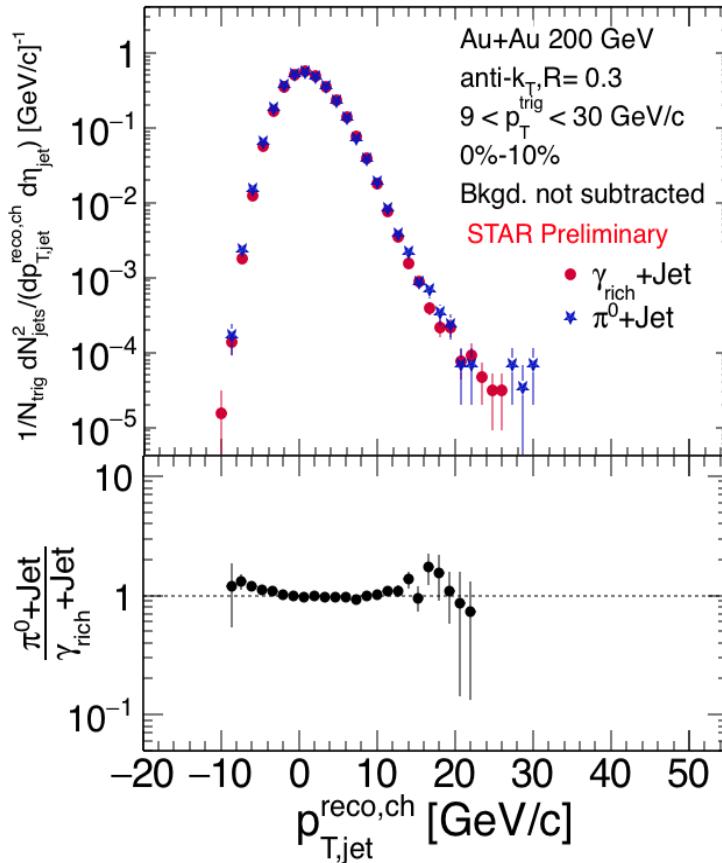
- PYTHIA predicts larger jet yield for  $\pi^0$  trigger than  $\gamma_{\text{dir}}$
- In p+p, reasonable agreement with standalone PYTHIA considering purity of  $\gamma_{\text{dir}}$

# $\pi^0 + \text{jet}$ vs. $\gamma + \text{jet}$

Raw Jet  $p_T$  without background and detector effect correction  
**p+p**



**Au+Au**

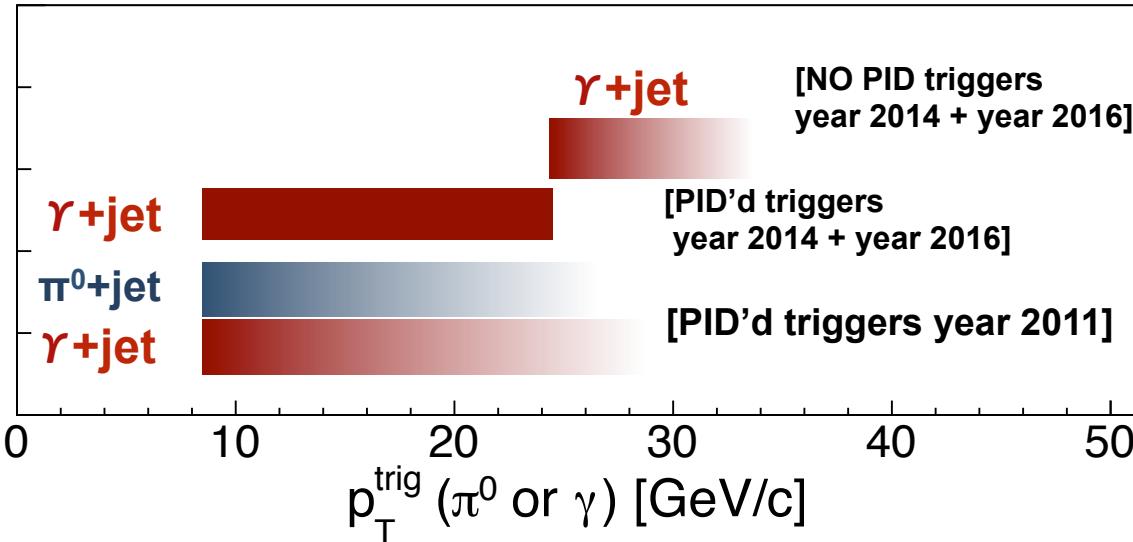


- To extract medium effect for  $\pi^0 + \text{jet}$  vs.  $\gamma + \text{jet}$ , need full corrections, detailed study and large statistics

Purity of  $\gamma_{\text{dir}}$  :  
 p+p ~40%  
 Au+Au (0-10%) ~70%

# Future measurements of $\pi^0$ +jet vs. $\gamma$ +jet

Au+Au collisions in the STAR experiment



Int. Luminosity sampled by  
BEMC trigger

Year 2011:  $2.8 \text{ nb}^{-1}$

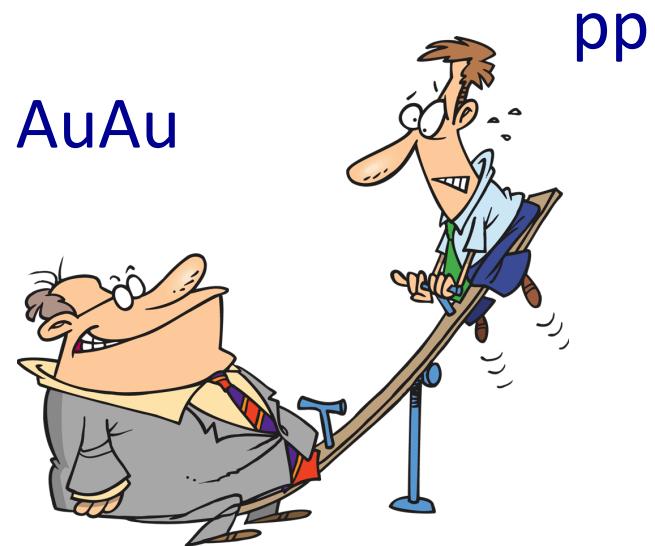
Year 2014+ year 2016:  $\sim 25 \text{ nb}^{-1}$   
on tape ( $\sim 10$  times more  
statistics)

- $\sim 25 \text{ nb}^{-1}$  corresponds to 175 billion MB events

- For  $p_T > 9 \text{ GeV}/c$ 
  - Run11:  $\gamma$ +jet  $\sim 30K$  trigger ( $p_T > 9 \text{ GeV}/c$ ) events with tight PID cuts
  - Combining year 2014+ year 2016, we have 8 times year 2011 statistics on the tape.
- For  $p_T > 25 \text{ GeV}/c$ 
  - we don't need tight PID ( Ratio  $\gamma/\pi^0 > \sim 2$  ) and hence expect  $> 5K$   $\gamma$  triggers.

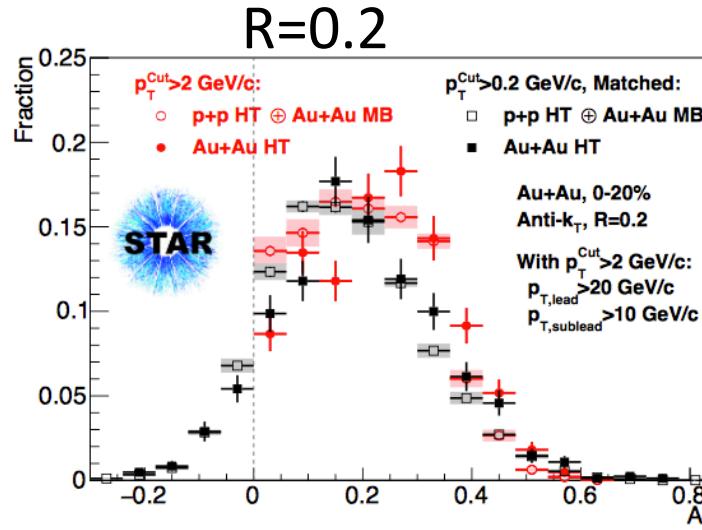
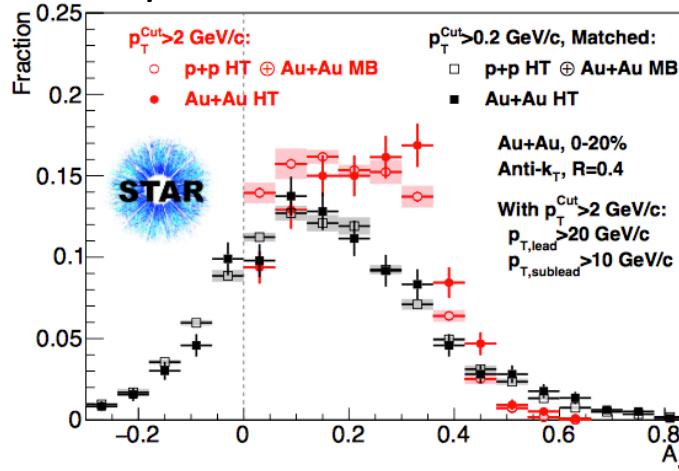
...Stay tuned

# Di-jet hadron correlations



# Di-Jet imbalance in transverse momentum

*Jet resolution parameter R=0.4*



$p_T$  imbalance for  
back-to-back di-jet pairs

$$A_J = \frac{p_T^{\text{Lead}} - p_T^{\text{SubLead}}}{p_T^{\text{Lead}} + p_T^{\text{SubLead}}}$$

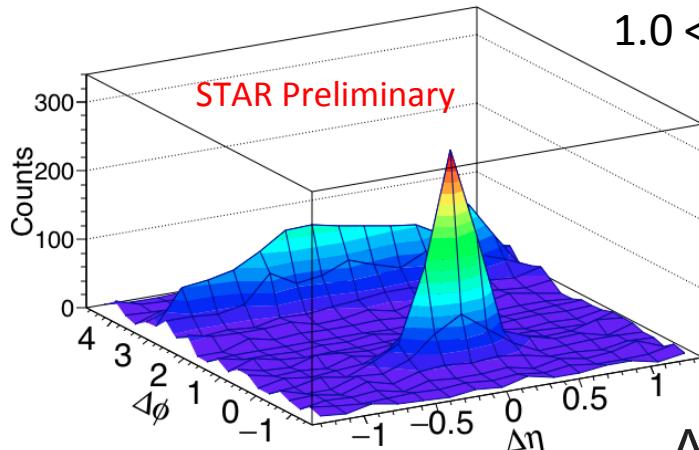
Submitted in PRL  
arXiv:1609.03878

- Di-jets with "hard cores" (constituents above  $p_T > 2 \text{ GeV}/c$  only) show significantly more imbalance in central Au+Au than in embedded p+p
- Balance is restored for  $R=0.4$  (but not  $R=0.2!$ ) when including jet constituents  $p_T < 0.2 \text{ GeV}/c$
- Indication of energy loss of di-jet interacting with the medium and lost energy reappears as soft particles

# How is the recovered energy distributed?

## Trigger jet+hadron correlation

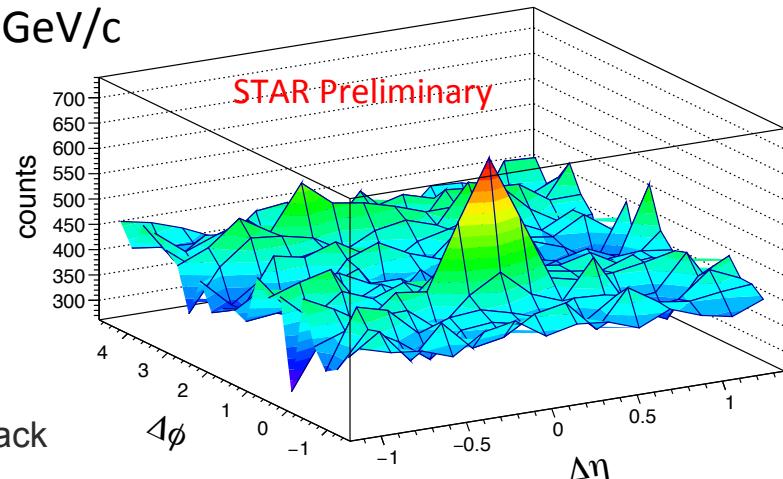
p+p HT



$1.0 < p_T^{\text{track}} < 2.0 \text{ GeV}/c$

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta\eta &= \eta^{\text{jet}} - \eta^{\text{track}} \\ \Delta\phi &= \phi^{\text{jet}} - \phi^{\text{track}}\end{aligned}$$

Au+Au HT 0-20% central



(After mixed event correction)

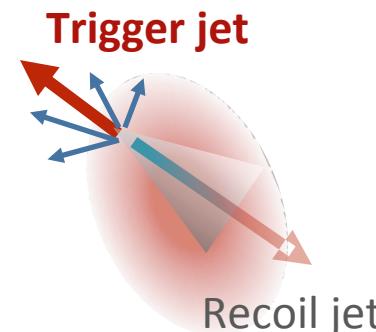
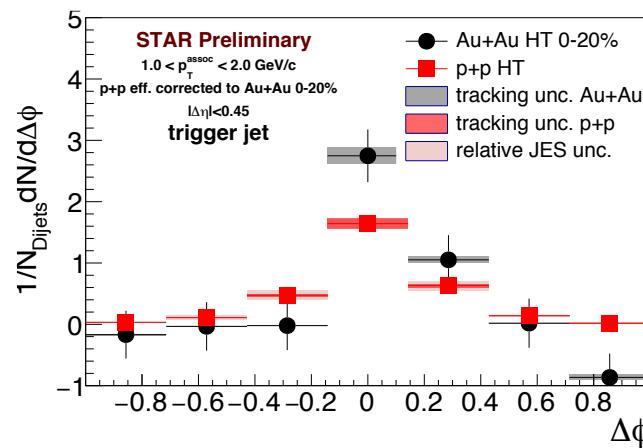
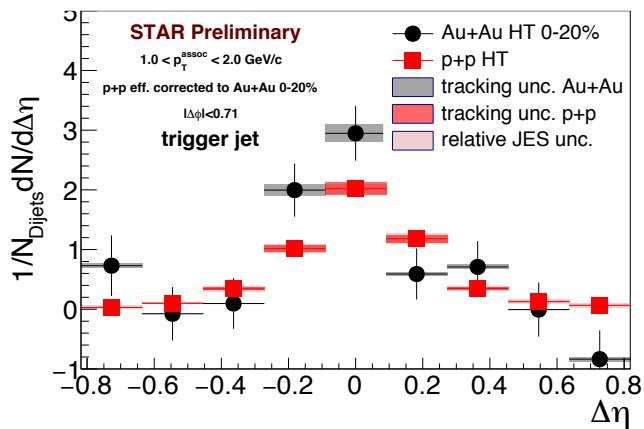
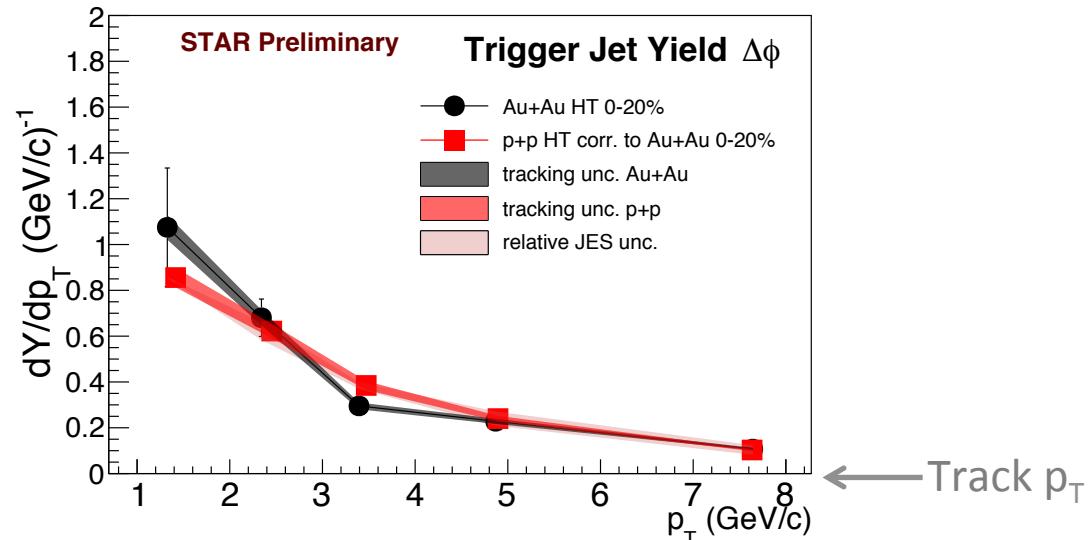
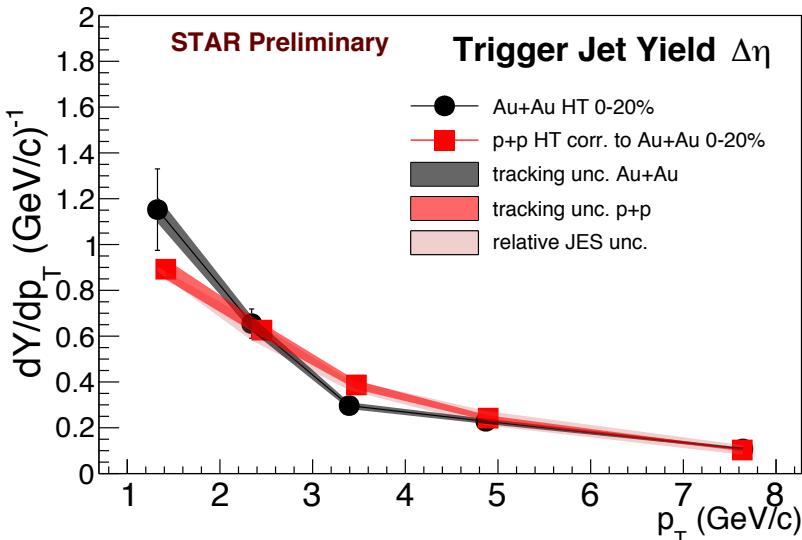
### Di-jet Definition:

- Trigger jet containing a BEMC tower with energy  $E > 6 \text{ GeV}$  (HT)
- $p_T^{\text{cut}} \geq 2.0 \text{ GeV}/c$
- $p_T^{\text{Trigger}} > 20 \text{ GeV}/c$
- $p_T^{\text{Recoil}} > 10 \text{ GeV}/c$
- anti- $k_T$  R=0.4

# Trigger jet+hadron correlations

$\Delta\eta$  projection

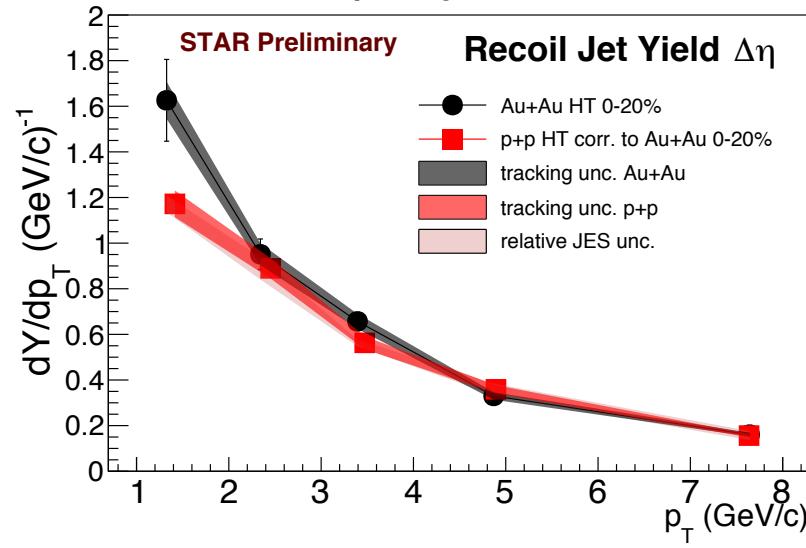
$\Delta\phi$  projection



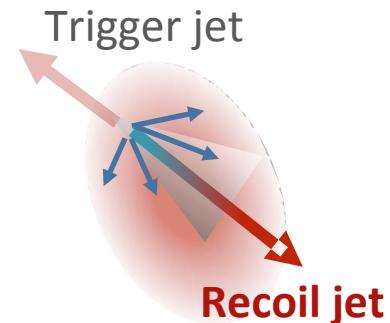
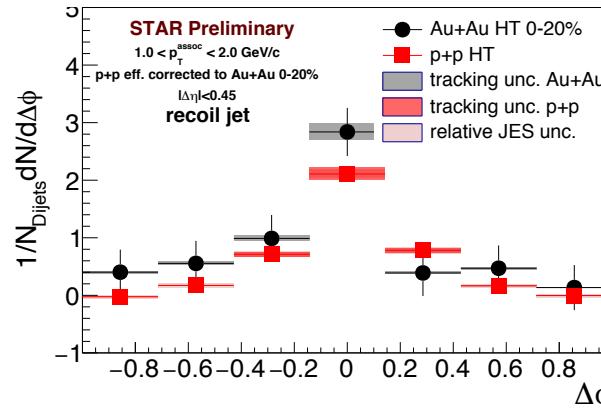
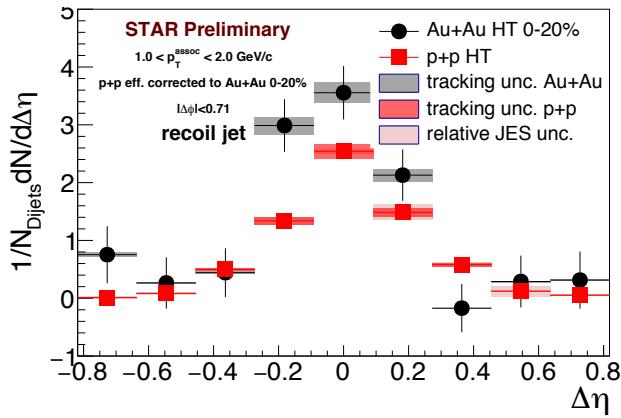
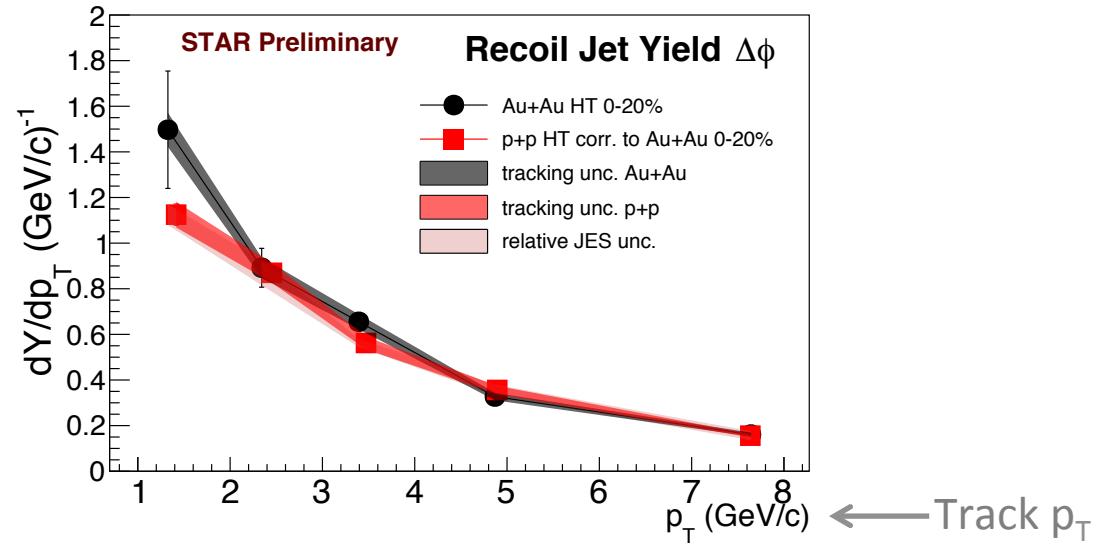
- Trigger jet +hadron yield shows no significant difference at all  $p_T^{\text{assoc}}$
- Indication of surface bias of trigger jets in Au+Au collisions

# Recoil jet+hadron correlations

$\Delta\eta$  projection



$\Delta\phi$  projection



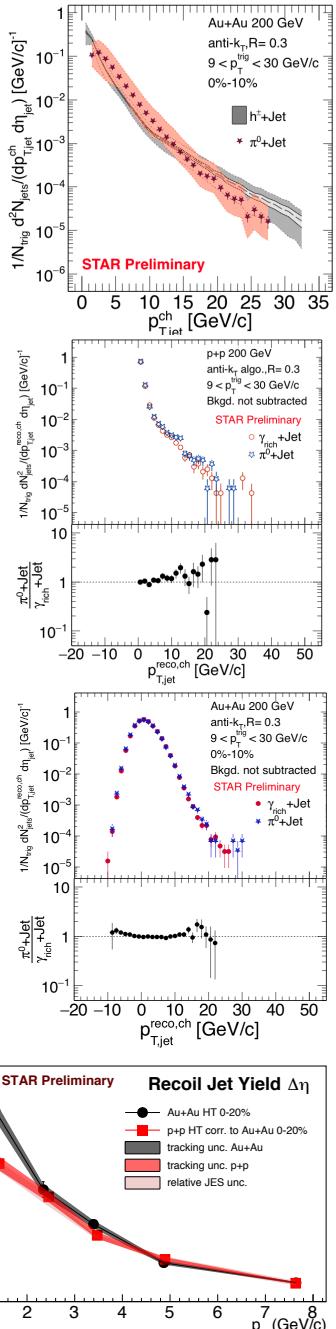
- Recoil: hints of excess low  $p_T$  yield, not significant within uncertainties
- Integrated  $A_J$  could dilute the recoil jet suppression
- Further differential measurements needed → data available!

# Summary

- Neutral trigger semi-inclusive recoil jets
  - Within systematic uncertainty, agreement between  $\pi^0 + \text{jet}$  and  $h^\pm + \text{jet}$  for  $R=0.3$
  - working to extract medium effect on  $\gamma + \text{jet}$  vs.  $\pi^0 + \text{jet}$ 
    - Larger statistics from year 2014+2016 data
- Dijet hadron correlation
  - Soft particles ( $p_T < 2.0 \text{ GeV}/c$ ) redistributed in  $\Delta\eta$ - $\Delta\phi$  in a recoil jet whereas trigger jet shows no significant modification due to surface bias in Au+Au collisions
  - Further differential measurements needed to understand redistribution of lost energy due to  $A_J$  imbalance

Two posters (Ph.D students):

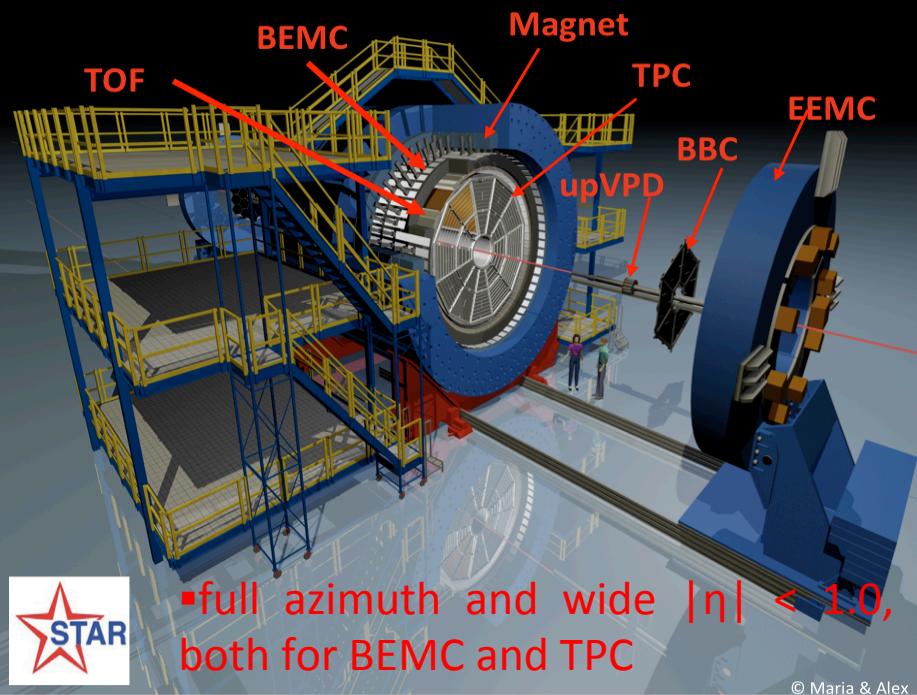
Derek Anderson (poster#173  $\pi^0$  - jet vs.  $\gamma$ -jet in p+p)  
and Nick Elsey (poster#571 Dijet)



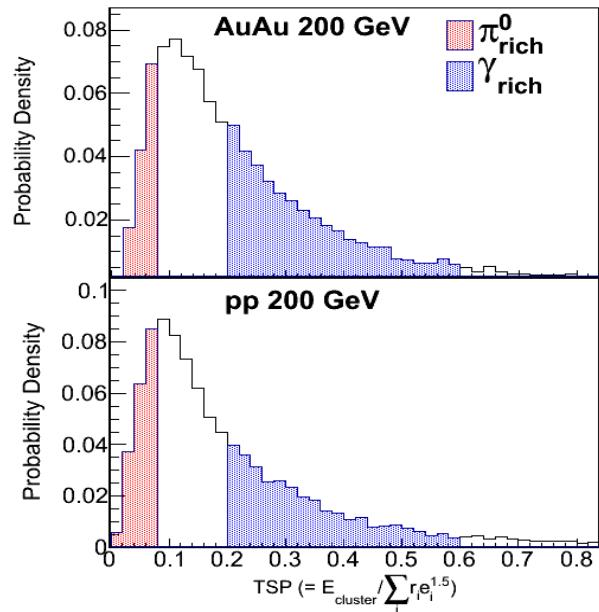
# **Back up**

# STAR detector system and $\pi^0/\gamma_{\text{dir}}$ discrimination

## Solenoidal Tracker at RHIC (STAR)



- BEMC to identify EM clusters and triggered on high energy tower
- Time Projection Chamber (TPC) to identify charged hadron tracks
- Au+Au (year 2011) and pp (year 2009) 200 GeV

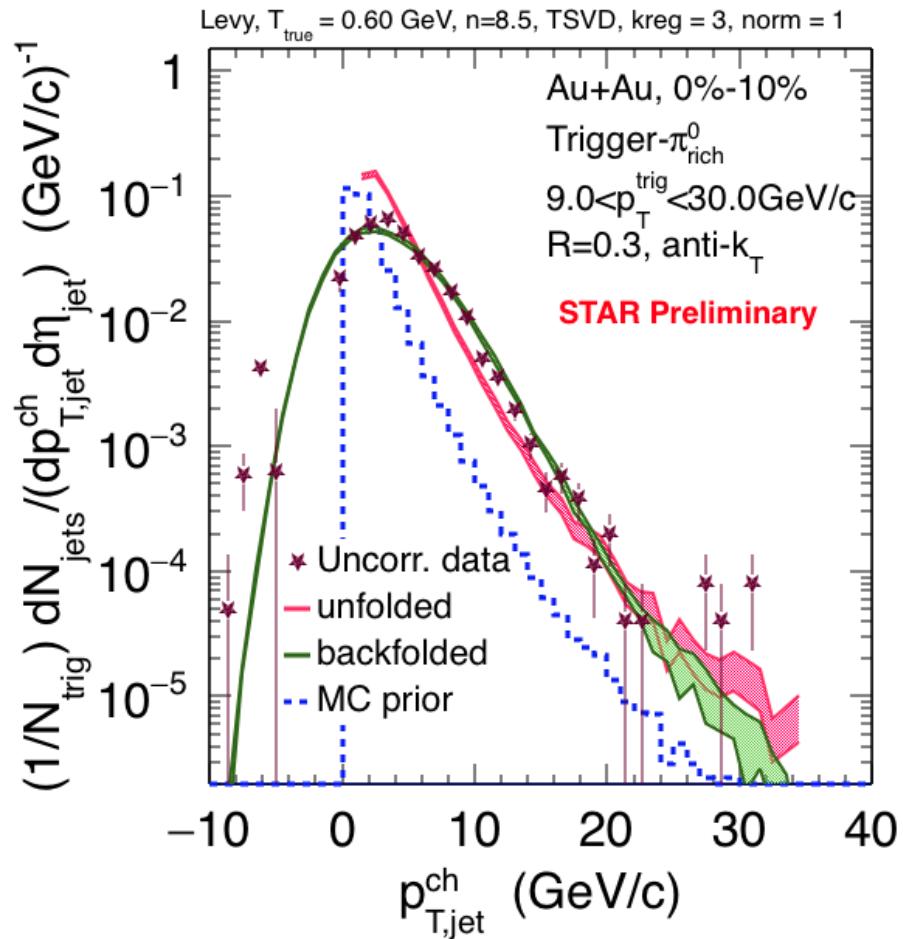


$$\text{TSP} = \frac{E_{\text{cluster}}}{\sum_i e_i r_i^{1.5}}$$

$E_{\text{cluster}}$ : Cluster energy,  $e_i$ : BSMD strip energy,  $r_i$ : distance of the strip from the center of the cluster

- TSP cuts are tuned to get
  - a nearly pure sample of  $\pi^0$  (called “ $\pi^0_{\text{rich}}$ ”)
  - a sample with enhanced fraction of  $\gamma_{\text{dir}}$  (called ‘ $\gamma_{\text{rich}}$ ’)
  - Purity of  $\gamma_{\text{dir}}$  ~40% and ~70% for p+p and Au+Au central (0-10%) collisions, respectively

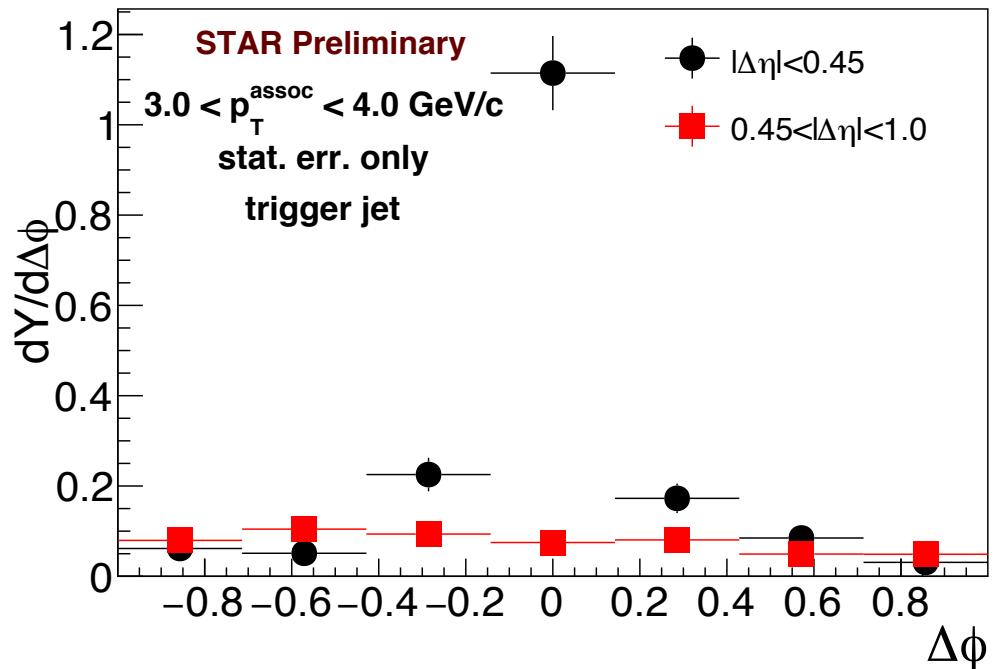
# Background subtraction and correction



# Di-Jet Hadron Correlation Background Subtraction

$\Delta\phi$ : possible flow  
→ Side band subtraction method

$\Delta\eta$ : no flow correlation fit with gaussian+constant  
→ Constant subtracted from signal

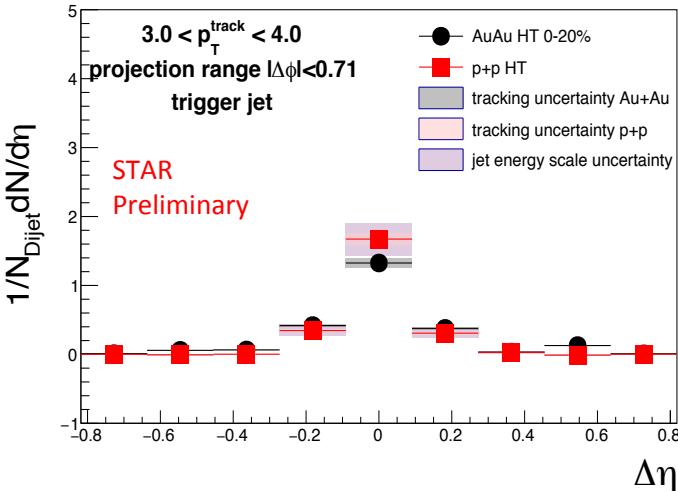
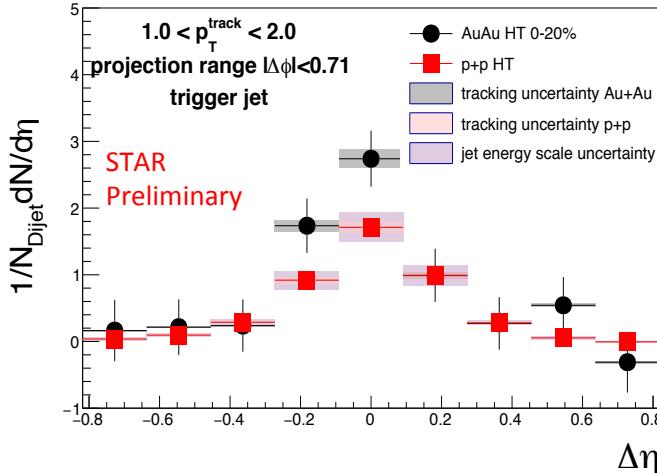


# Di-jet hadron correlations in $\Delta\eta$

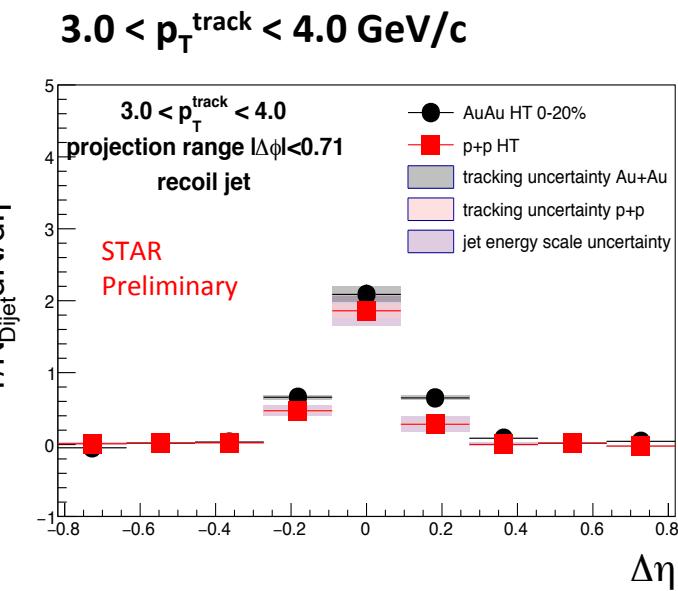
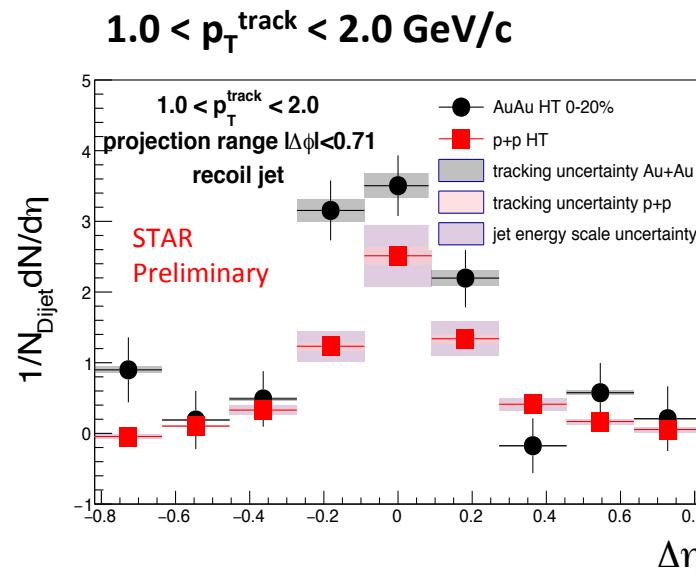
$1.0 < p_T^{\text{track}} < 2.0 \text{ GeV}/c$

$3.0 < p_T^{\text{track}} < 4.0 \text{ GeV}/c$

Trigger jet  
+  
hadron

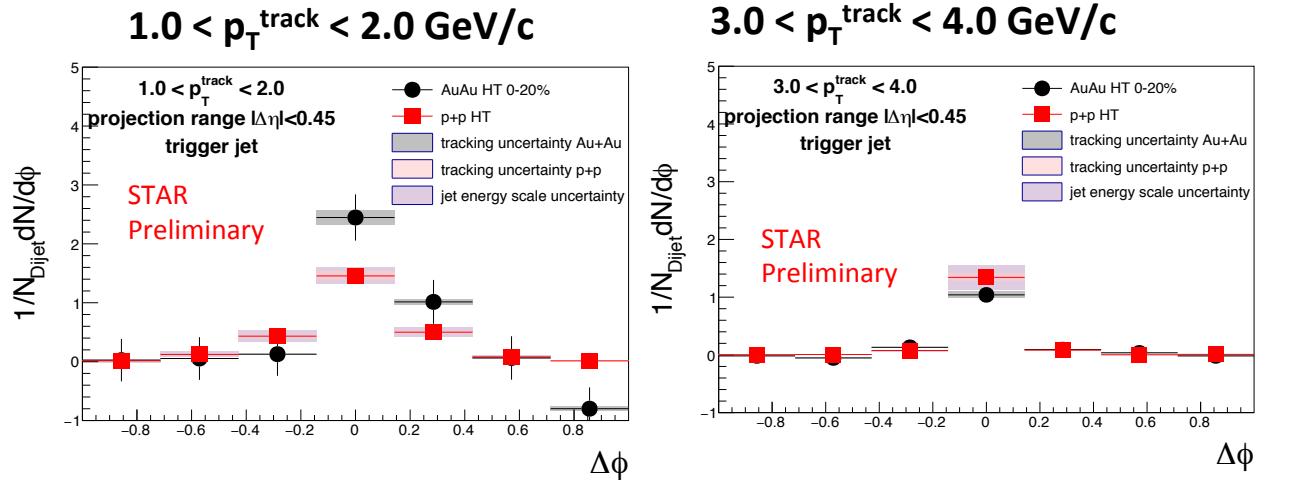


Recoil jet  
+  
hadron



# Di-jet hadron correlations in $\Delta\phi$

Trigger jet  
+  
hadron



Recoil jet  
+  
hadron

