

# Jet measurements in p-p and A-A collisions

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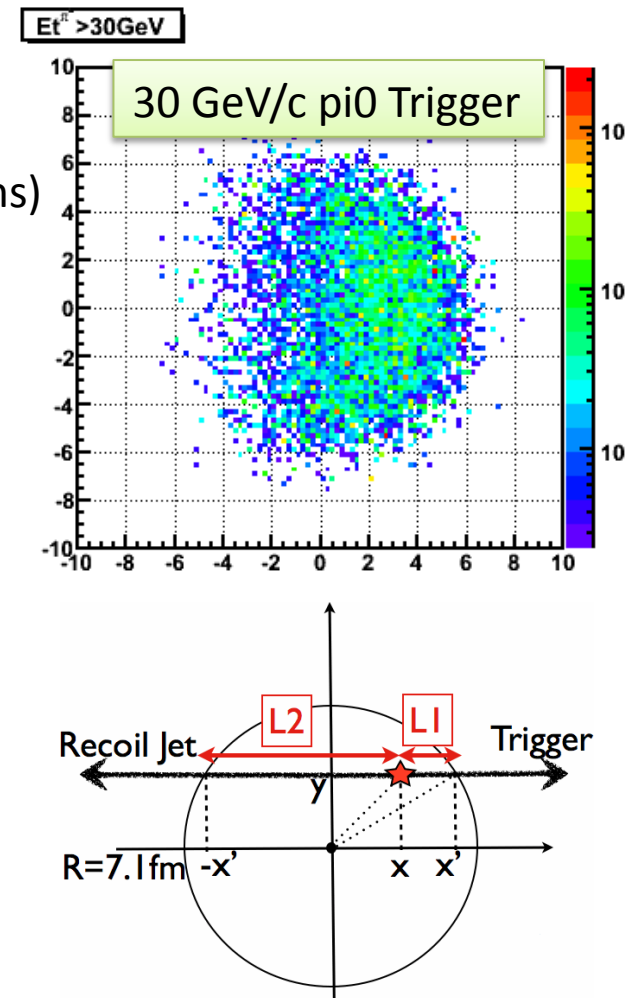


# Outline

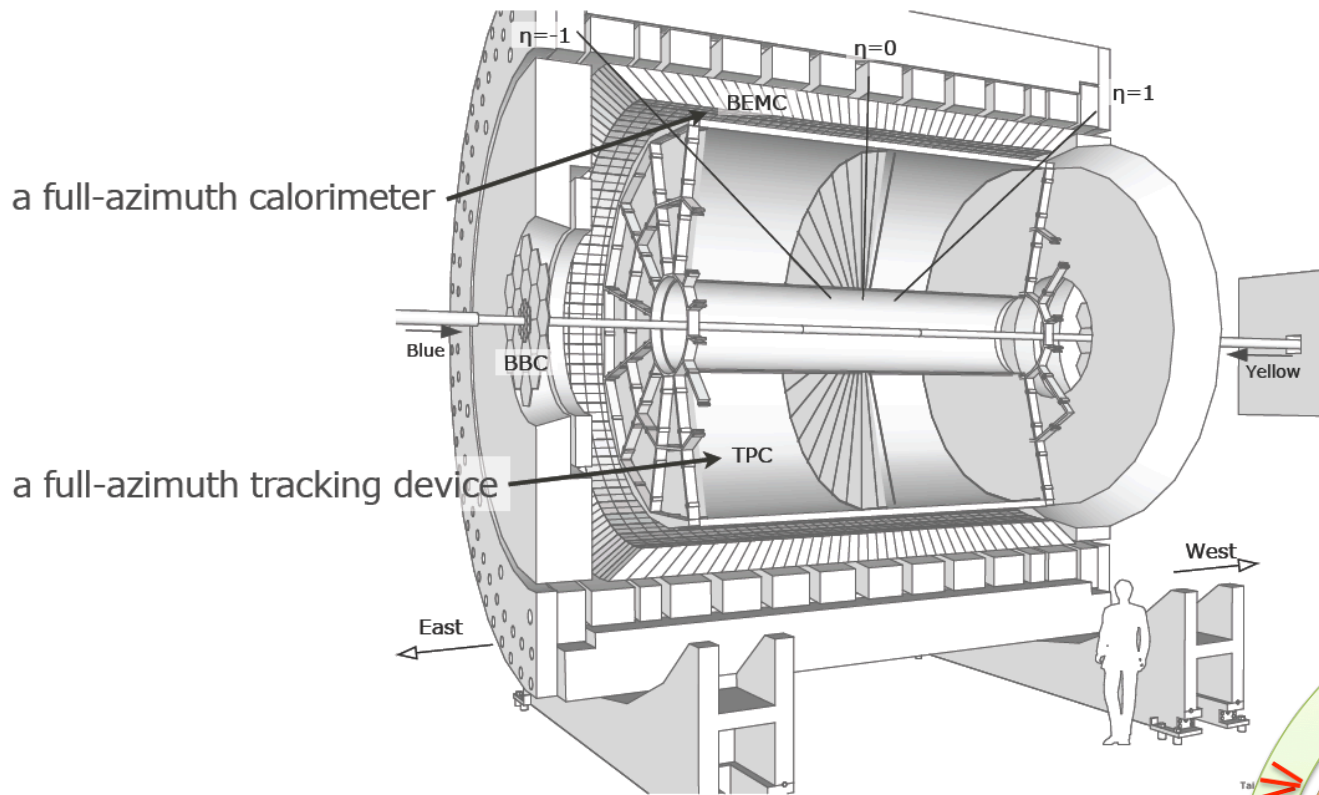
- Introduction – tools of heavy-ion collisions
- Inclusive jet cross-section and pQCD at RHIC in p-p collisions
- Jet quenching via single hadron observables
  - Success and limitations
- Full jet reconstruction in heavy-ion collisions
- Jet quenching using fully reconstructed jets in heavy-ion collisions
- Outlook

# Quantitative analysis: tools of heavy-ion collisions

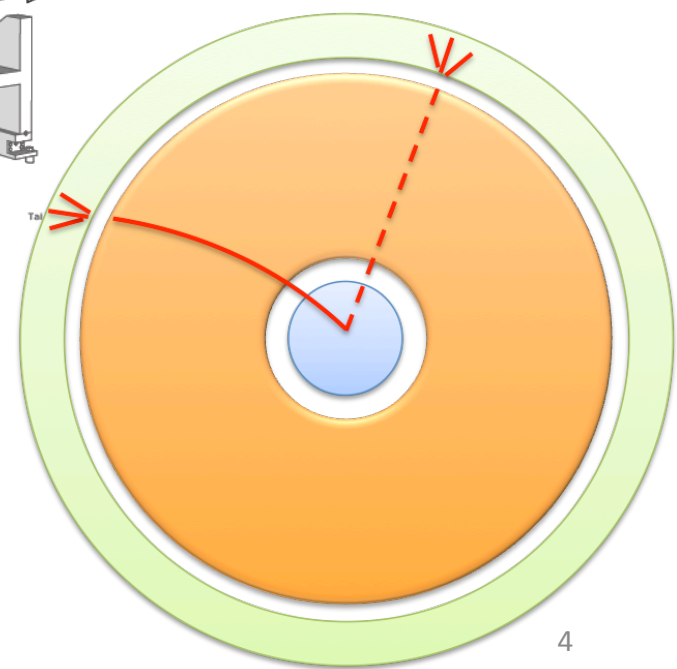
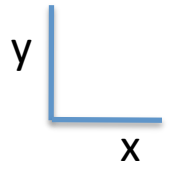
- Inclusive cross-sections
  - Scaling of x-section (“Glauber”;  
e.g. hard x-sec  $\sim N$ binary collisions)
- Correlation measurements
  - Observable “B” under a condition “A” (trigger)
- Control over geometry
  - Correlations with reaction plane
- Jet quenching
  - Geometric biases – use to the extreme
  - Color charged probes
  - Color neutral probes
- “Discovery by/through deviation”
  - use p-p and p-A collisions as references for A-A measured observables
- Interpretation -> Dependent upon modeling (!)



# A jet detector. STAR:

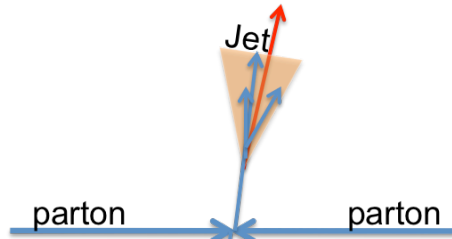


Beam View:

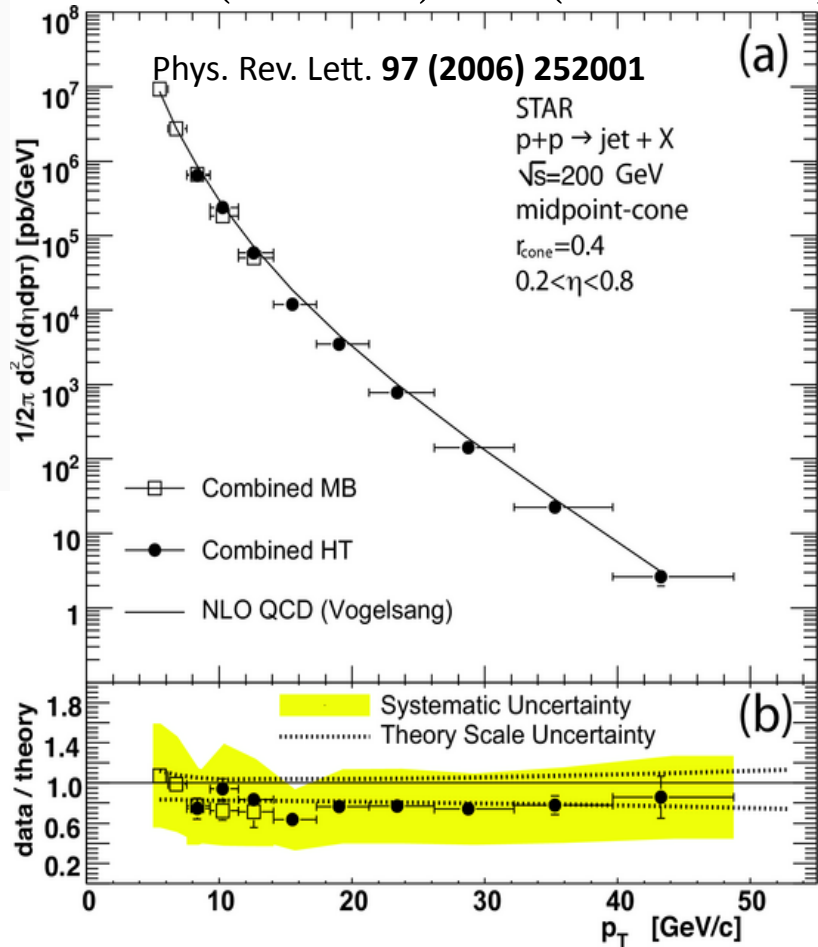


- Vertex detection
- Charged track momentum determination
- Electromagnetic calorimetry

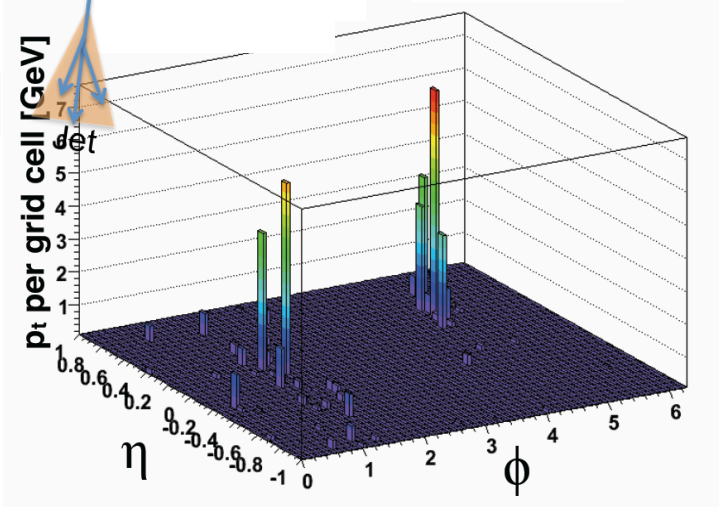
# pQCD at RHIC



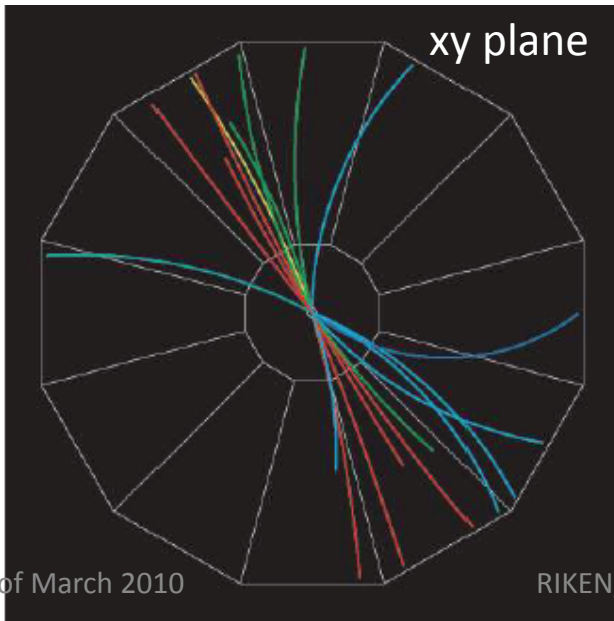
$$d\sigma \propto (PDF) \otimes (HARD)$$



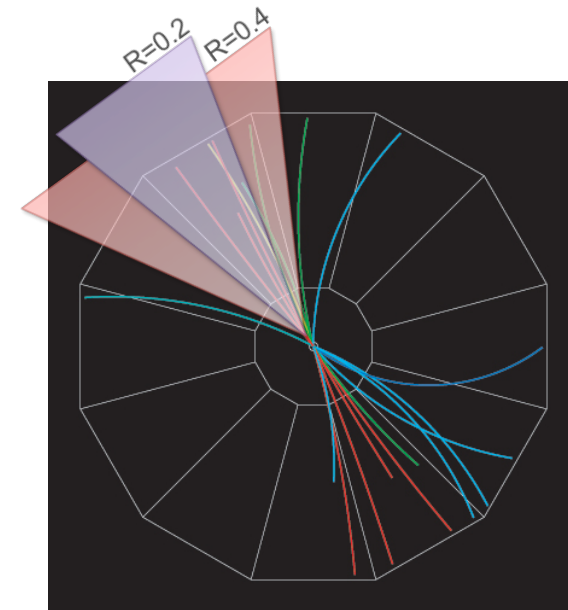
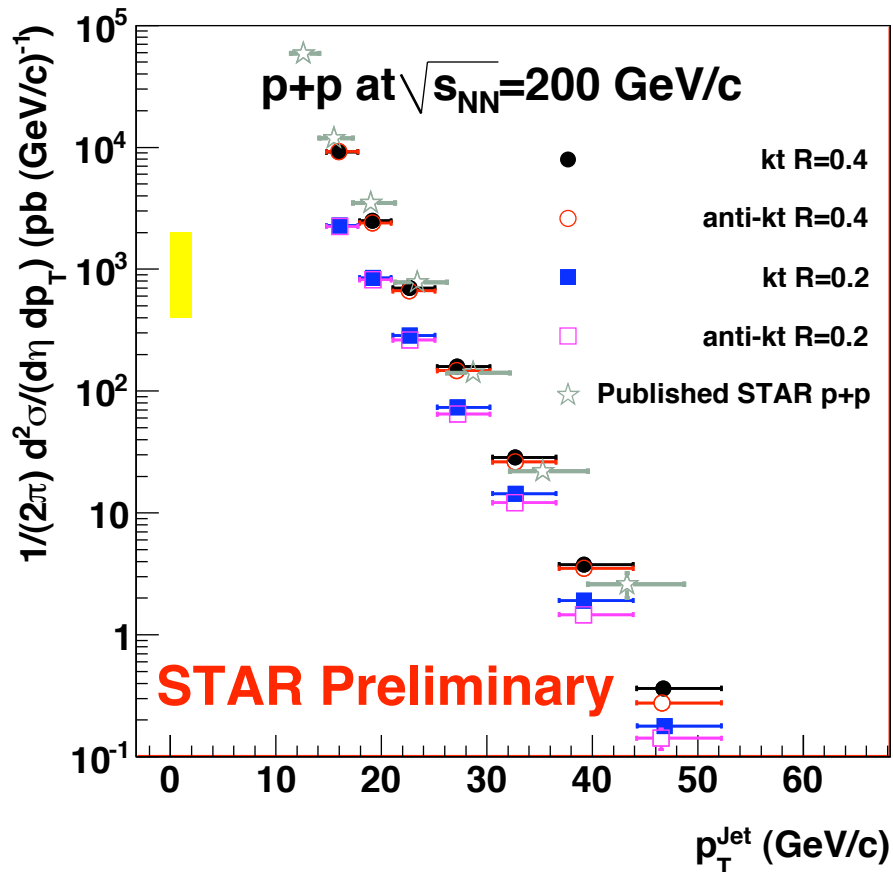
p+p collision



STAR TPC Event Display



# Jet cross-sections in p+p at RHIC



Multiple algorithms at different resolution scales:

- Consistent results (within uncertainties)
- Outlook for AA: Systematic understanding of jet reconstruction

# p+p: Cross-section ratio $R=0.2/R=0.4$

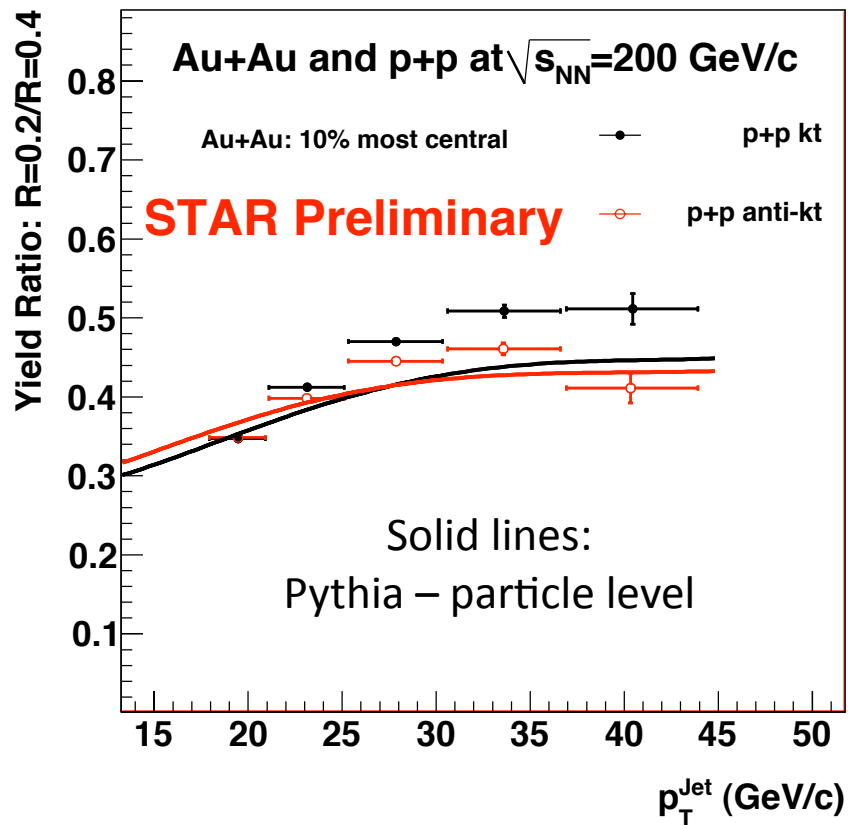
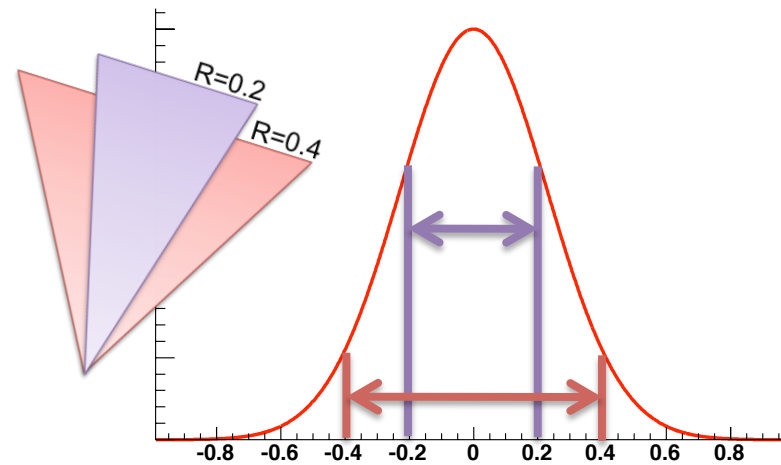
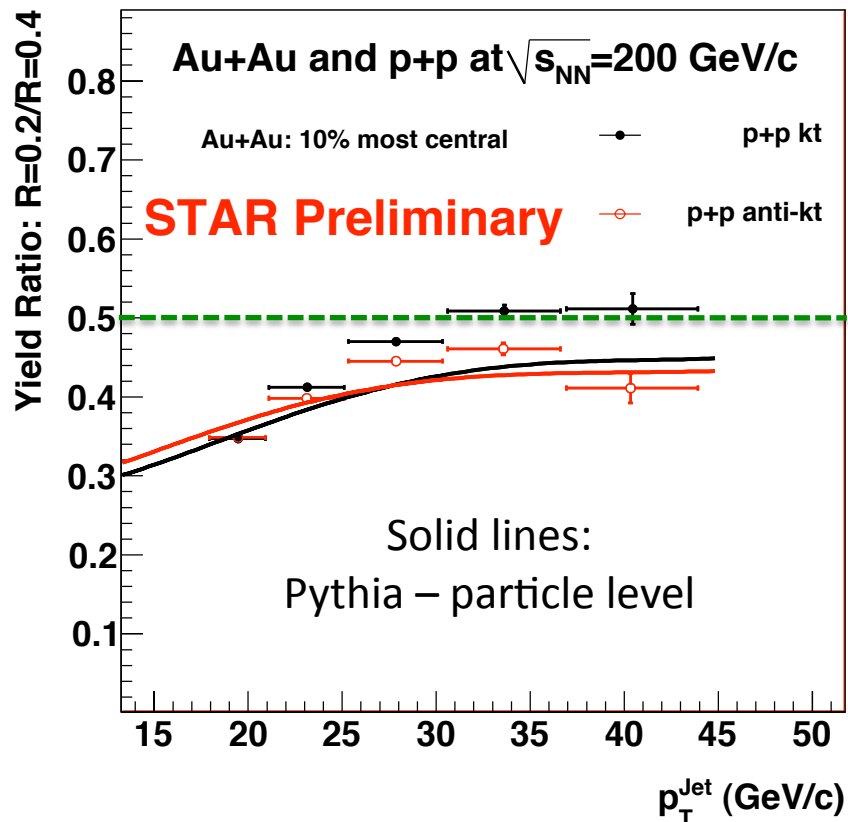


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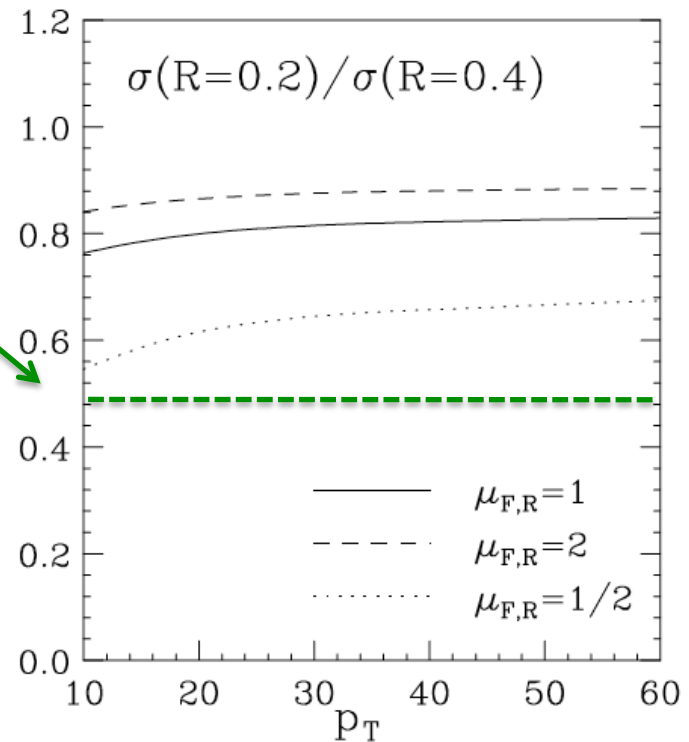


p+p: “Narrowing” of the jet structure  
with increasing jet energy

# p+p: cross-section ratio R=0.2/R=0.4



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Narrowing of structure with increasing energy

NLO: narrower jet profile

→ fragmentation+hadronization effects?



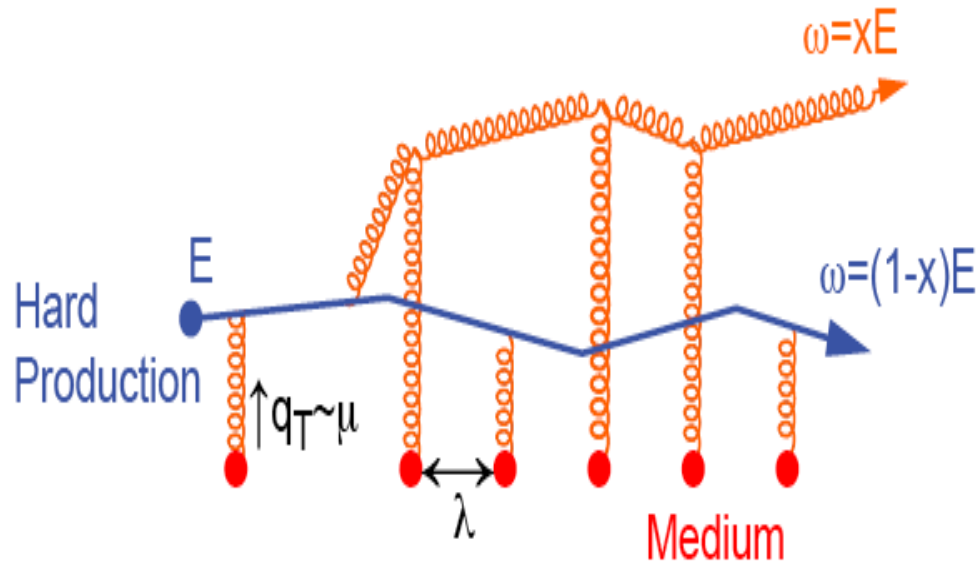
What happens in HI collisions?

# Jet-medium interaction

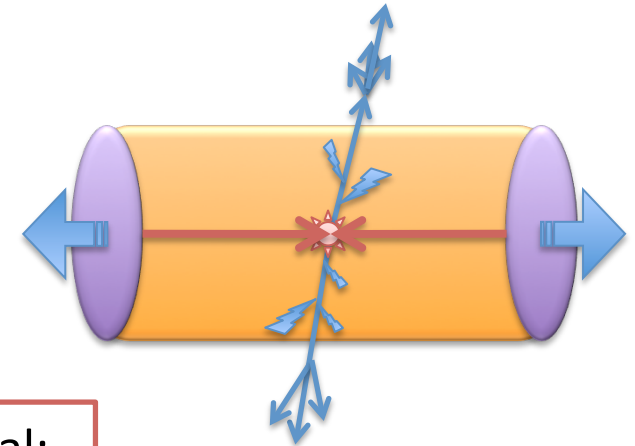
QED: Bremsstrahlung is dominant energy loss mechanism at high energy limit

QCD: High energy partons lose energy via gluon radiation (QCD bremsstrahlung)

Medium characterized by the transport coefficient  $\hat{q}$ : squared momentum transfer per unit length (mean free path)



$$\hat{q} \sim \mu^2 / \lambda$$

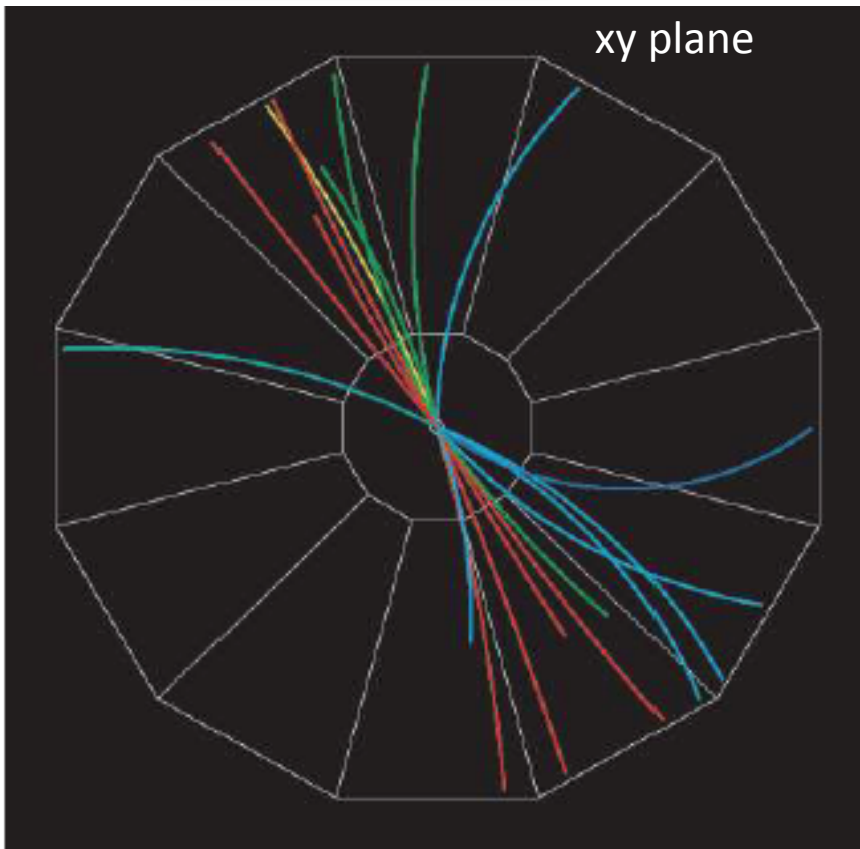


Partonic energy loss in QCD medium is proportional:

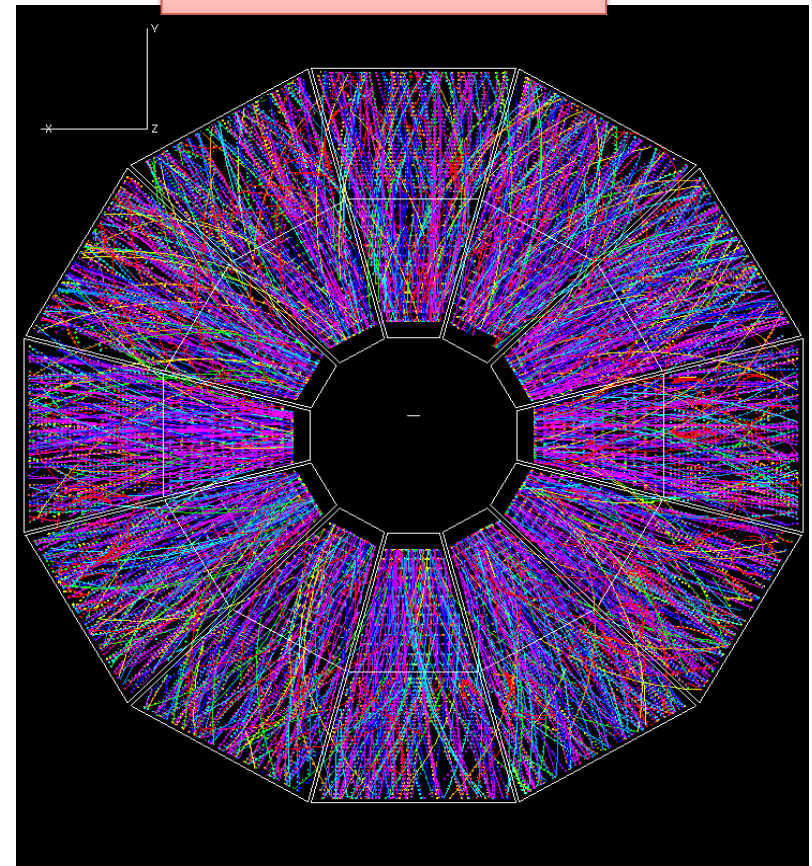
- to squared average path length (Note: QED  $\sim$  linear)
- to density of the medium

# Jet finding in heavy-ion collisions

p+p Collision



Au+Au Collision



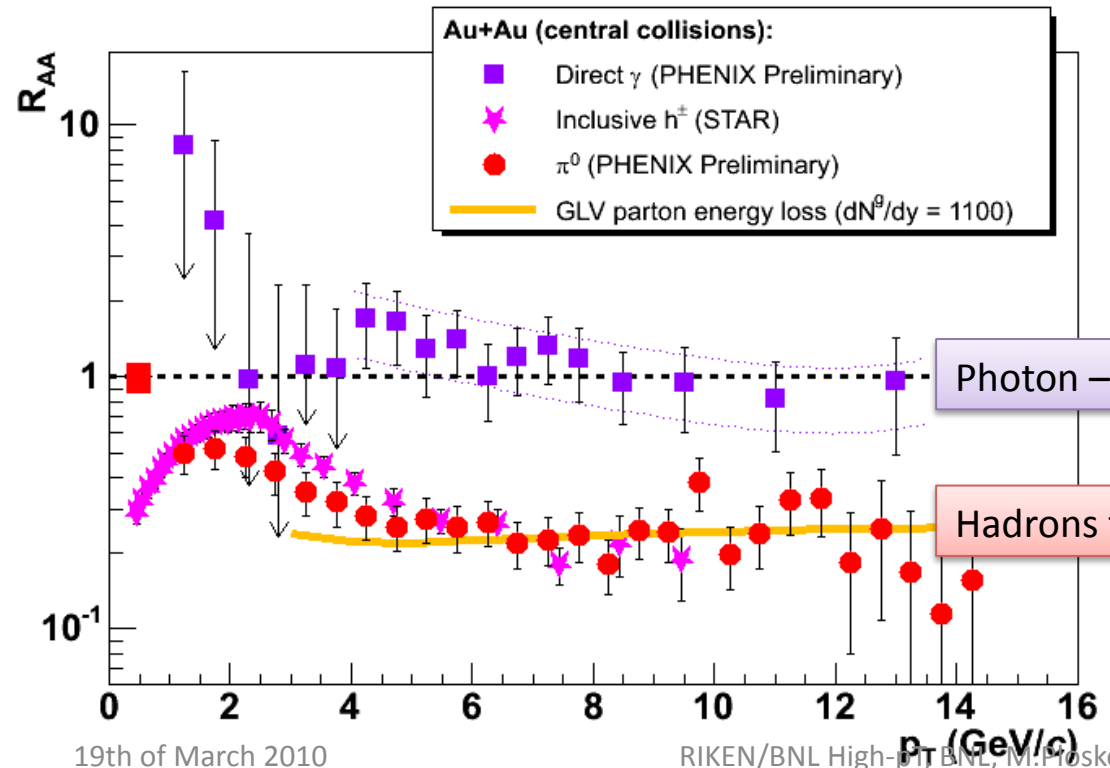
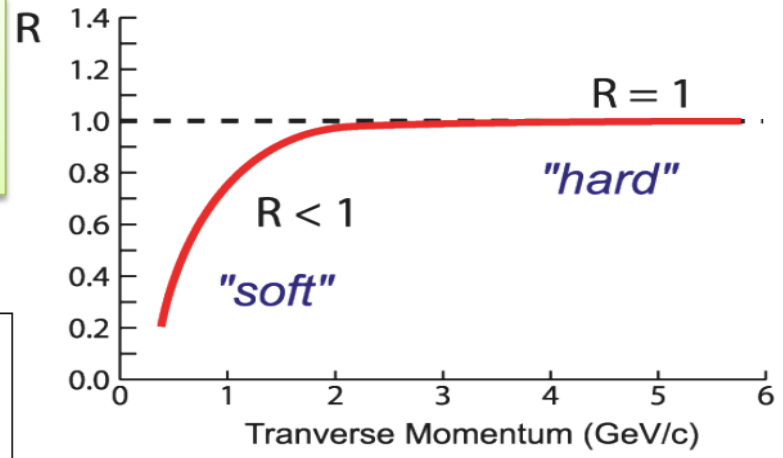
Difficult task -> approximation methods

# Jet quenching via hadron suppression

$$R_{AB} = \frac{d^2 N / dp_t d\eta}{T_{AB} d^2 \sigma^{pp} / dp_t d\eta}$$

$$T_{AB} = \langle N_{bin} \rangle / \sigma_{inel}^{pp}$$

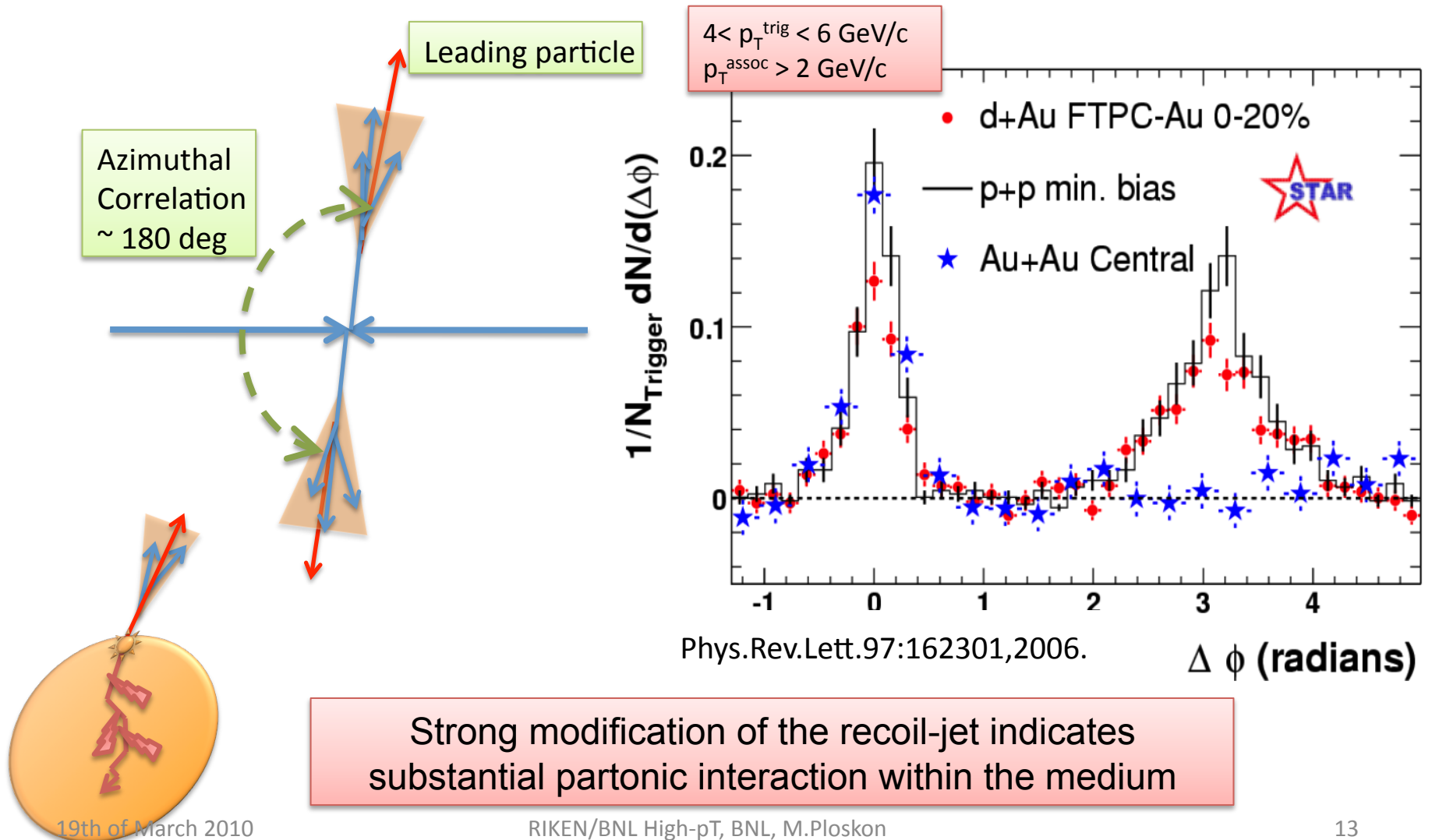
No "effect":  
 $R < 1$  at small momenta  
 $R = 1$  at higher momenta where hard processes dominate



Photon – color neutral probe => No suppression

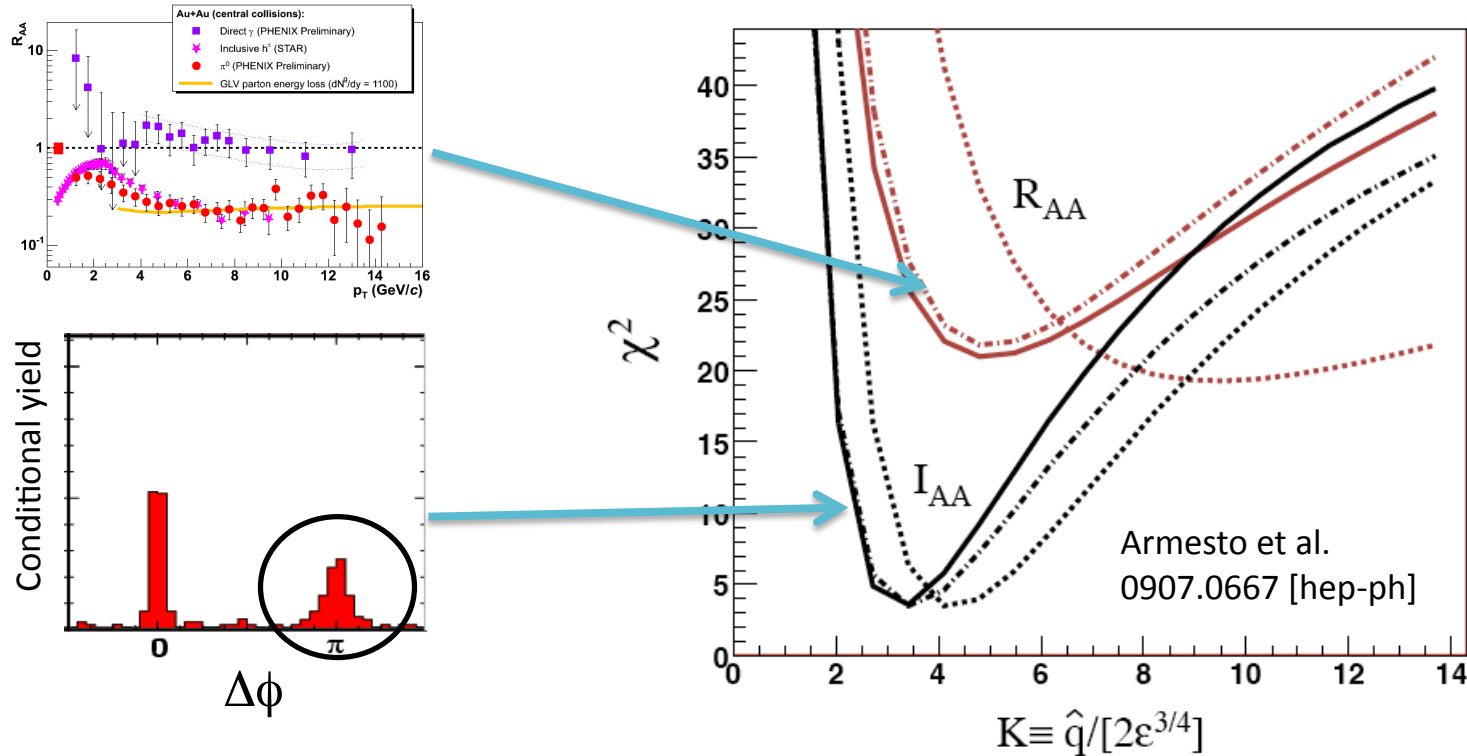
Hadrons from color charged jets => Suppression

# Jet quenching: recoil jet suppression via leading hadron azimuthal correlations



# High $p_T$ hadrons: quantitative analysis

Model calculation: ASW quenching weights, detailed geometry  
 Simultaneous fit to data.



- Reasonably self-consistent fit of independent observables
- Main limitation is the accuracy of the theory
- So what is missing?

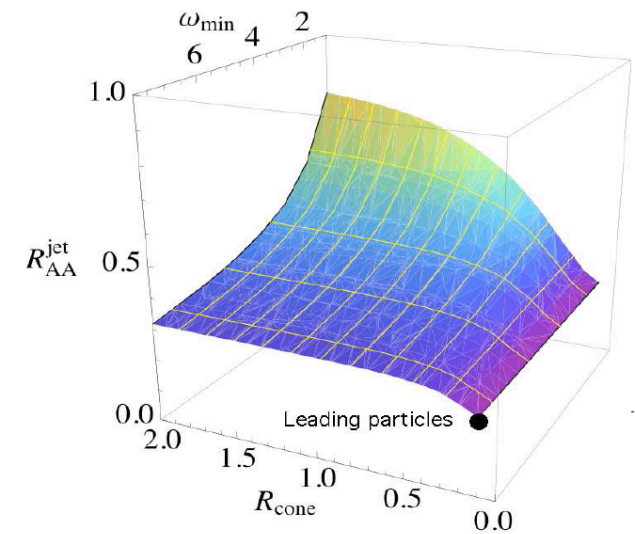
# Complete Jet Reconstruction in Heavy Ion Collisions: why bother?

Jet quenching is a *partonic* process  
→ obscured by hadronization

High  $p_T$  hadron triggers bias towards non-interacting jets  
→ suppresses the jet population that interacts the most  
→ no access to dynamics of energy loss

Soft hadron correlations ( $p_T < \text{few GeV}/c$ ) are difficult to interpret as QCD jets  
→ requires strong analysis and modeling assumptions  
→ no clear connection to theory

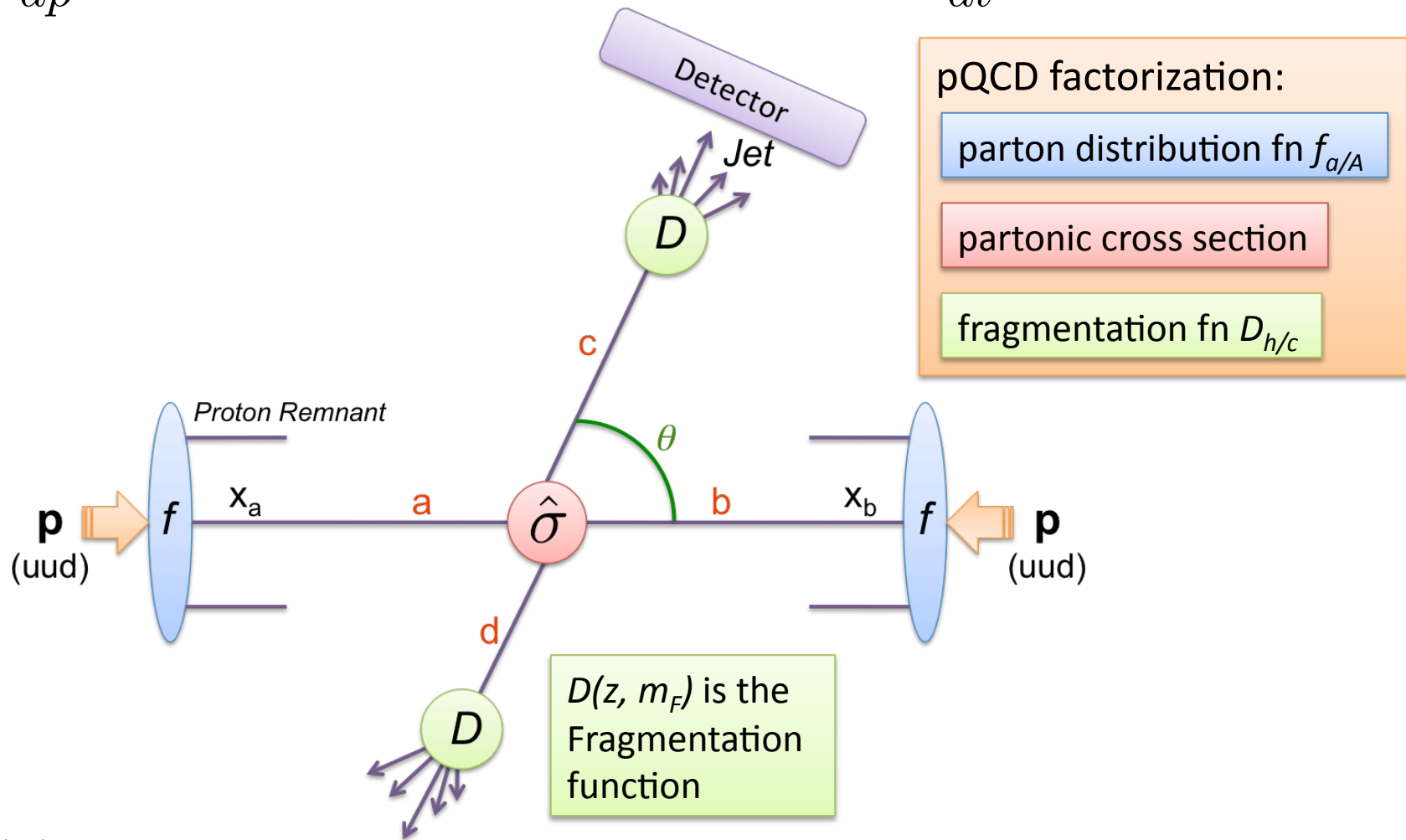
Goal of full jet reconstruction: integrate over hadronic degrees of freedom to measure medium-induced jet modifications *at the partonic level* → much more detailed connection to theory



# Hadronic collisions and pQCD.

## Factorization.

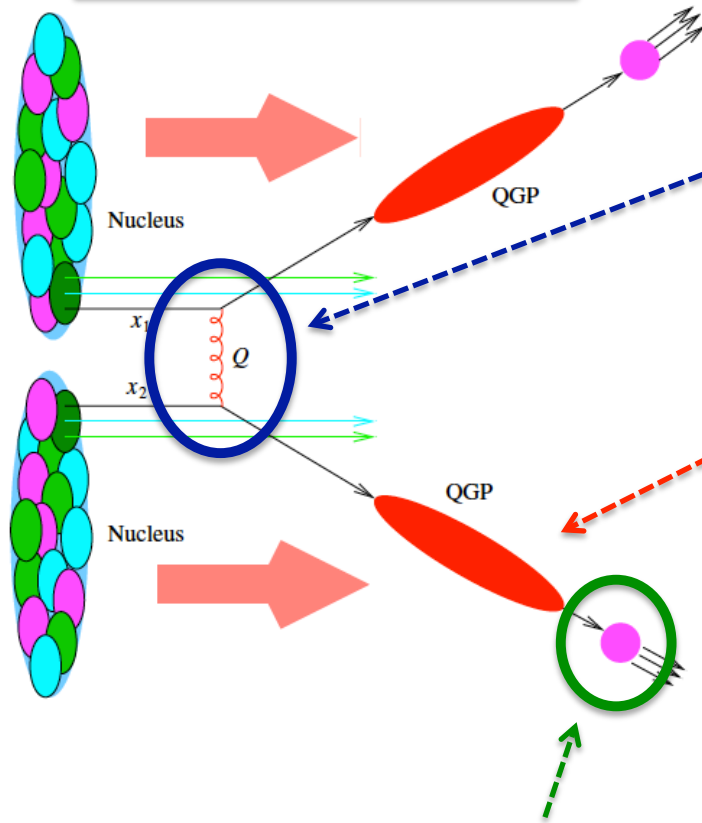
$$E \frac{d^3\sigma}{dp^3} \propto f_{a/A}(x_a, Q^2) \otimes f_{b/B}(x_b, Q^2) \otimes \frac{d\hat{\sigma}^{ab \rightarrow cd}}{dt} \otimes D_{h/c}(z_c, Q^2)$$





# Jets in heavy ion collisions: idealization

Factorized picture



production vertex: high  $Q^2$   
→ pQCD

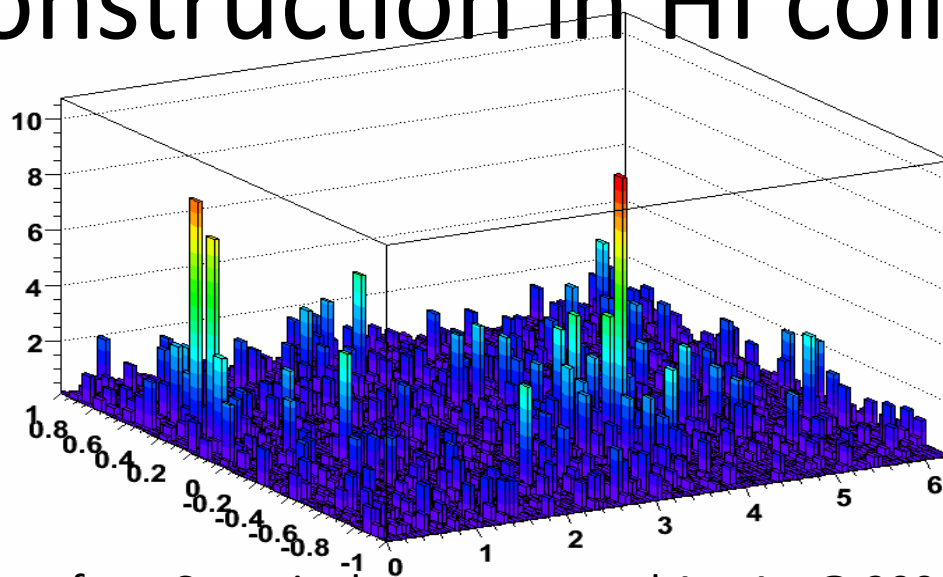
Propagation in strongly coupled  
Quark Gluon Plasma

- pQCD-based jet quenching
- hydrodynamics
- AdS/CFT
- ...

Vacuum fragmentation into hadrons

→ non-pert. QCD

# Towards the full jet reconstruction in HI collisions



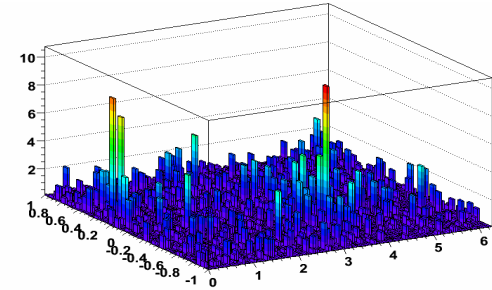
Data from Star: single event; central Au+Au @ 200 GeV

# HI Jet Reconstruction: strategy

What we have learned over the past two years:

“anti-quenching” biases lurk everywhere!

1. Detector level trigger (high- $p_T$  single particle)
2. Seeded reconstruction algorithms
3. Track and tower  $p_T$  cuts to suppress background



**No shortcuts:** we have to face the full event background and its fluctuations head-on

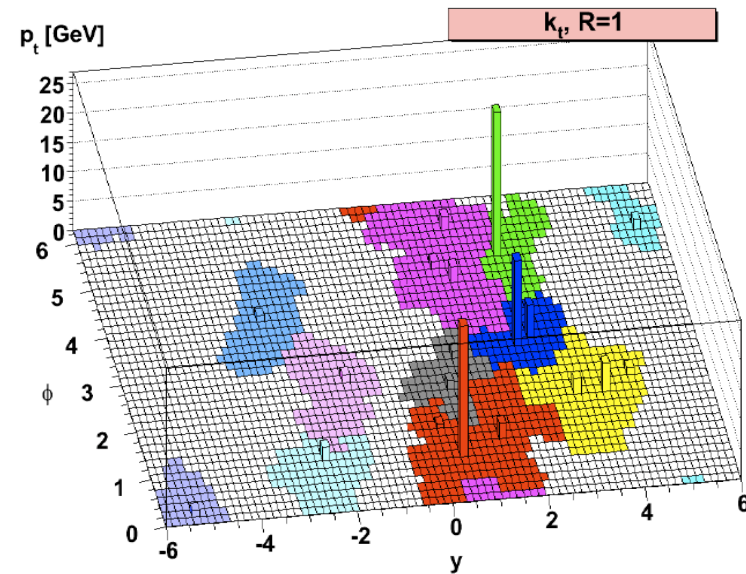
- complex interplay between event background and jet signal

**Need multiple *independent* background correction schemes to assess systematics**

- more is better than few, but must be independent
- no shortcuts: corrections depend on observable

# Modern algorithms

- Collinear and infrared safe
- Improved performance
- Rigorous definition of jet area
- Different algorithms -> different response to the underlying event
  - Developed for uniform bg subtraction (pile-up) at LHC
  - $\rho$ : median  $p_T$  per unit area of the diffuse background in an event – measured using background “jets” as found by kT algorithm
  - $\delta\rho$ : uncertainty due to noise fluctuations – non-uniformity of the event background



$$p_T^{\text{Meas}} = p_T^{\text{Cand}} - \rho \times \text{Area}$$

$$\frac{dN^{\text{Meas}}}{dp_T} = \frac{dN^{\text{True}}}{dp_T} \otimes f^{\text{Resol}}(\delta\rho)$$

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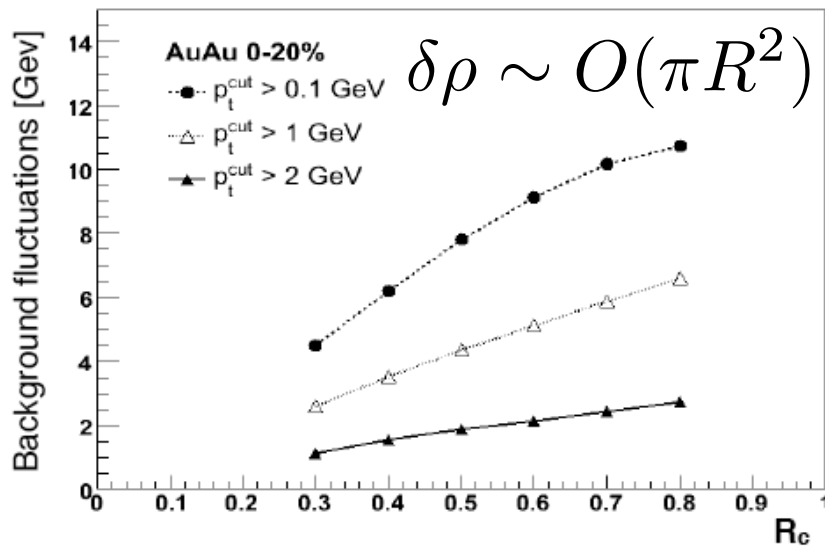
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# Jet pT irresolution due to HI background

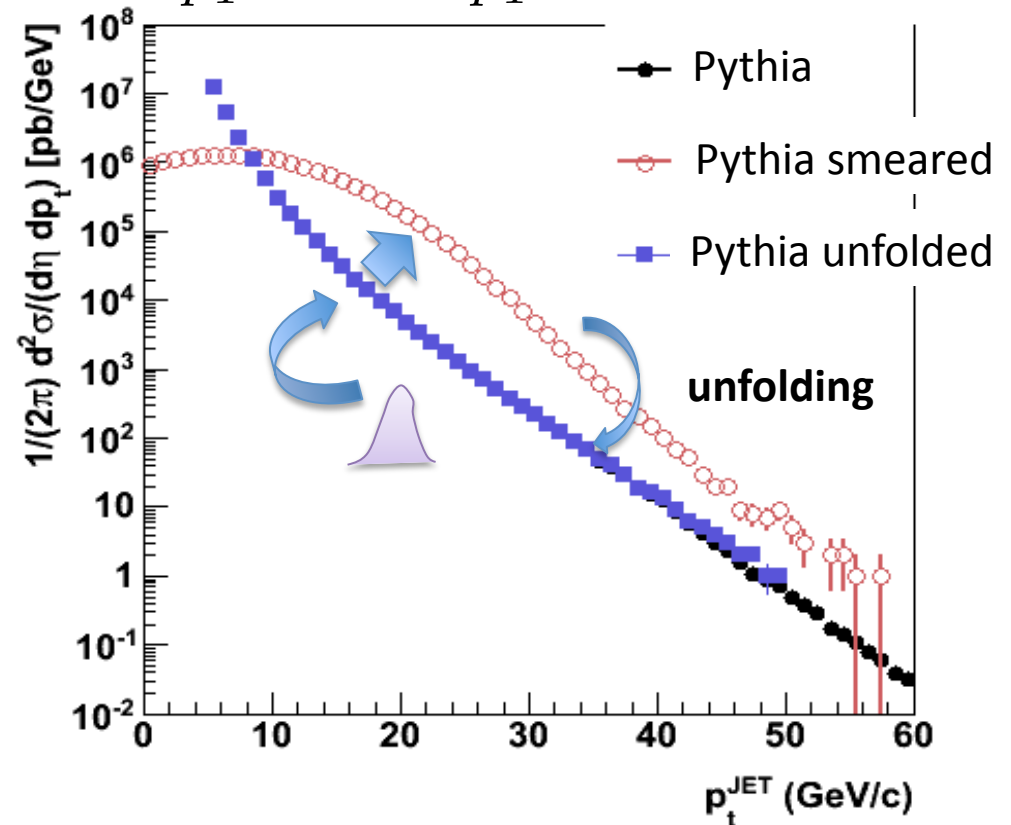
Background non-uniformity (fluctuations) and energy resolution introduce pT-smearing

Correct via “unfolding”: inversion of full bin-migration matrix

Check numerical stability of procedure using jet spectrum shape from PYTHIA



$$\frac{dN^{\text{Meas}}}{dp_T} = \frac{dN^{\text{True}}}{dp_T} \otimes f^{\text{Resol}}(\delta\rho)$$



Procedure must be numerically stable  
Correction depends critically on background model → main systematic uncertainty for HI

# HI Jet Reconstruction: observables

## Primary observables (jets):

- Cross sections vs p+p
- Cross sections vs R: Energy redistribution (aka jet broadening)
- h+jet and jet+jet coincidences
- subjet distributions
- ....

***Note: in HI collisions we should very little rely on kinematics since E is smeared. Counting is more robust!***

## Secondary observables (hadrons):

- longitudinal momentum distributions (which are not “fragmentation functions”)
- Transverse momentum distributions ( $j_T$ )
- .....

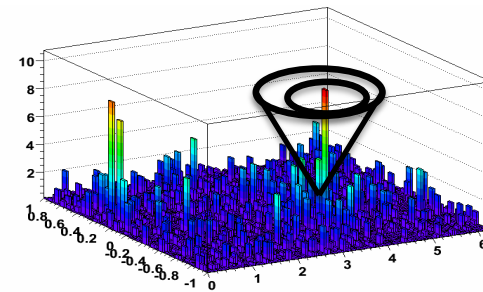
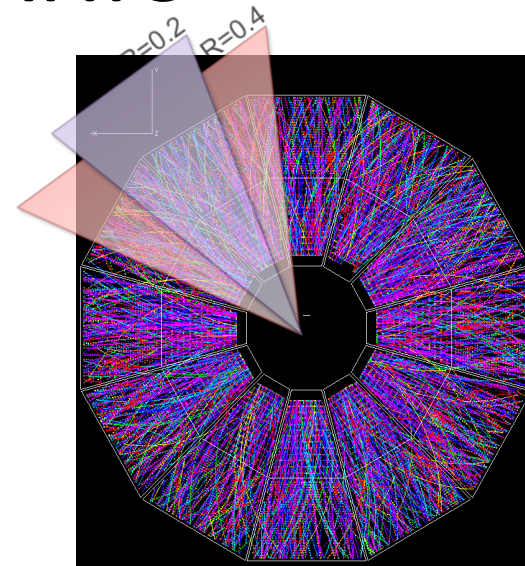
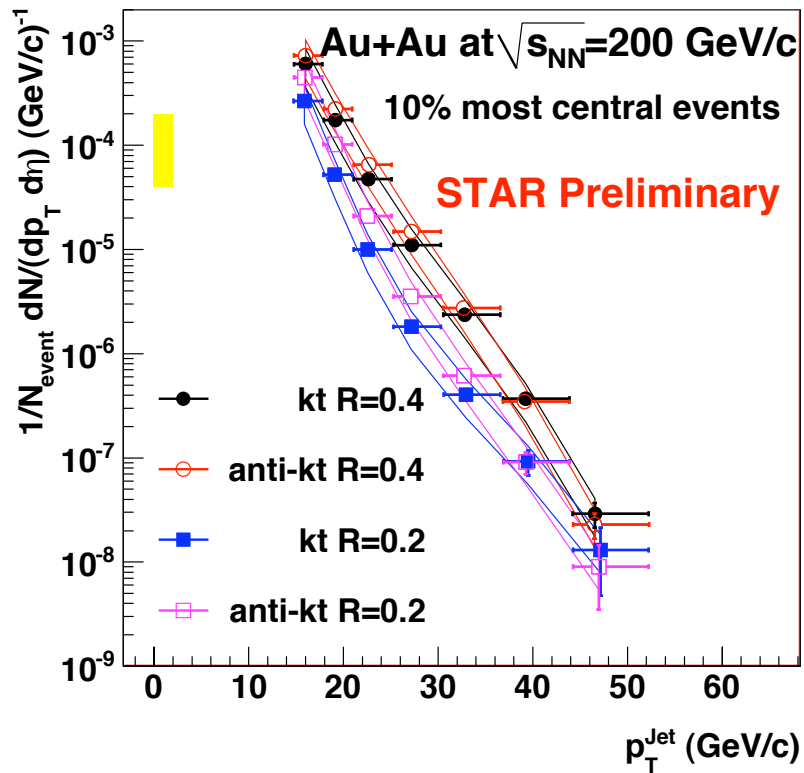
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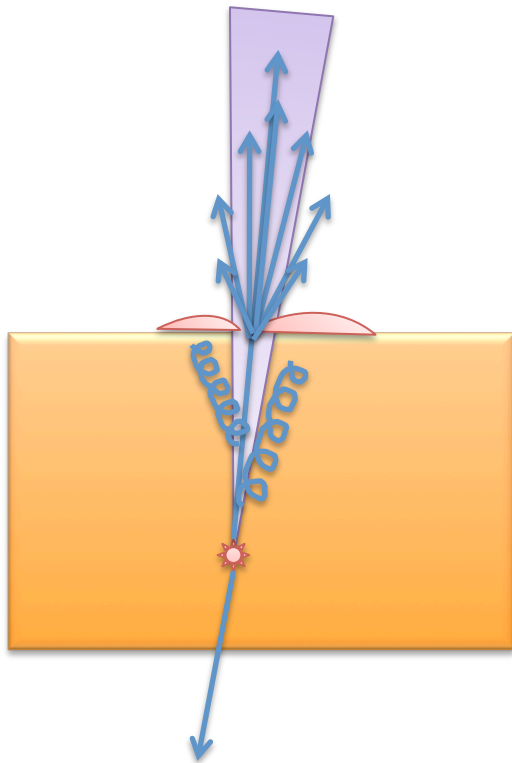
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# Jet production cross-sections in HI Collisions at RHIC



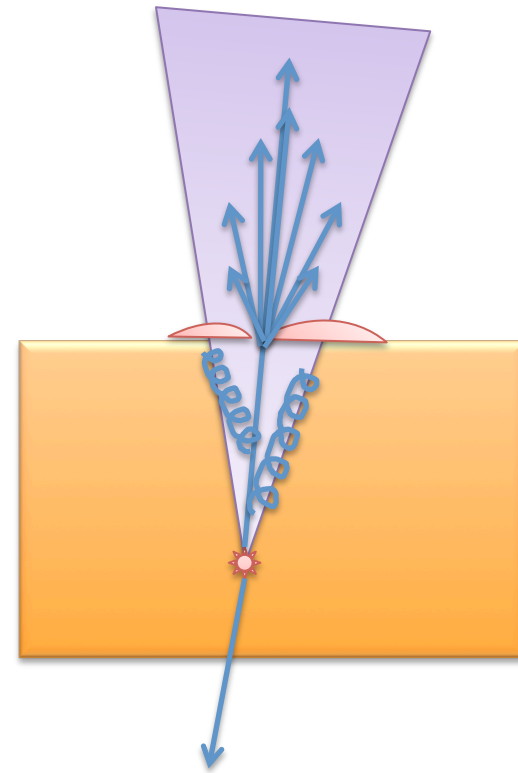
# Why we compare different R?

Measure A: vacuum fragmentation



Jet core: vacuum fragmentation  
Energy deficit  $\Leftrightarrow$  Loss of x-section for fixed E

Measure B: vacuum fragmentation  
+ medium induced radiation



Modified "fragmentation" pattern?  
Full jet energy?  $\Leftrightarrow$  Full x-section



# Au+Au: cross-section ratio $R=0.2/R=0.4$

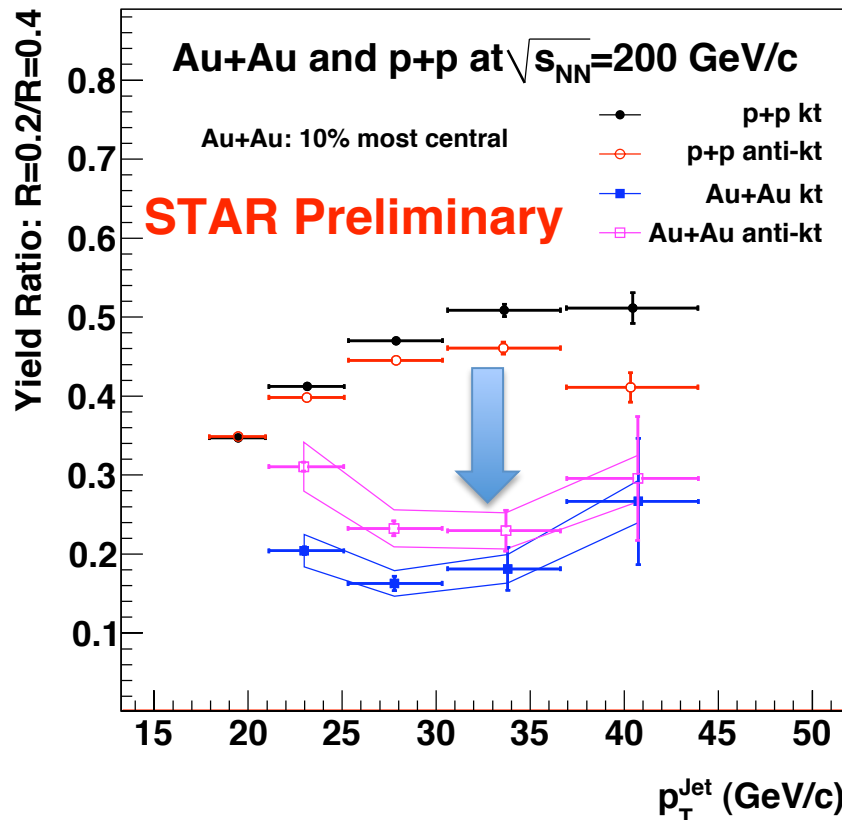
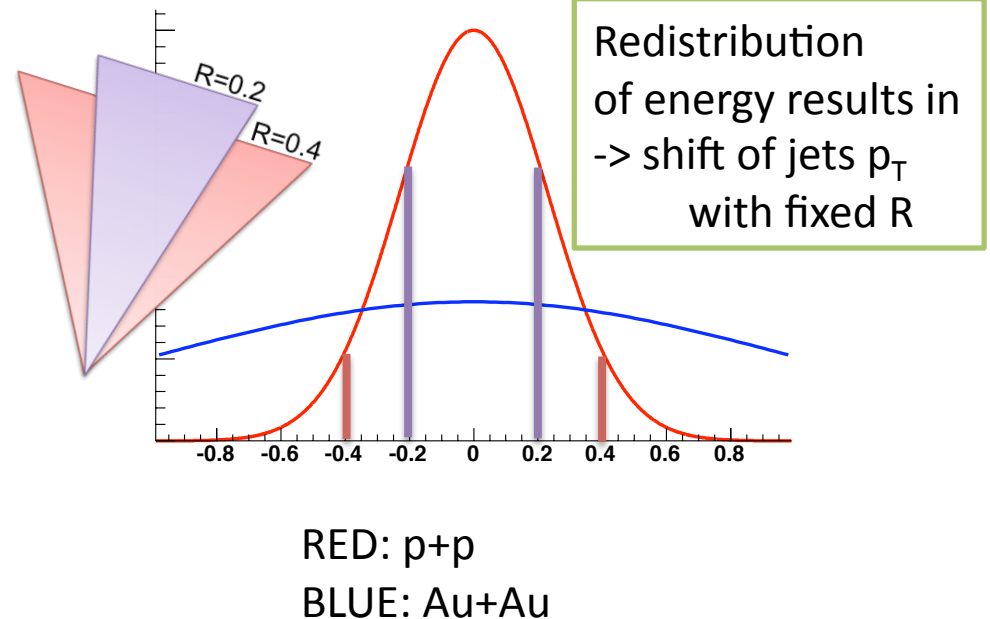


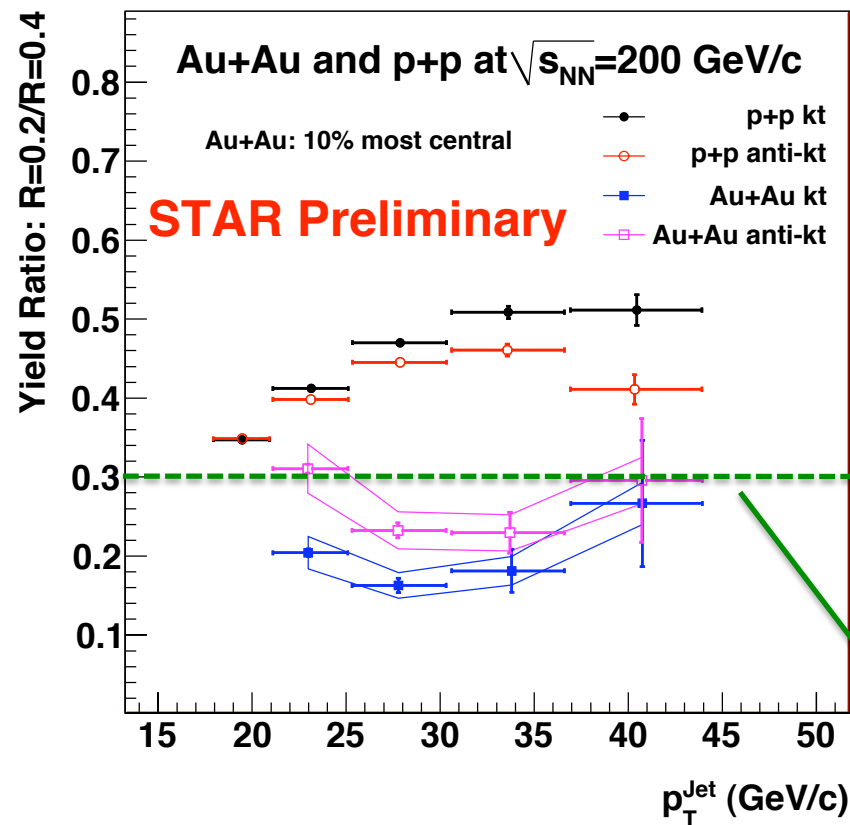
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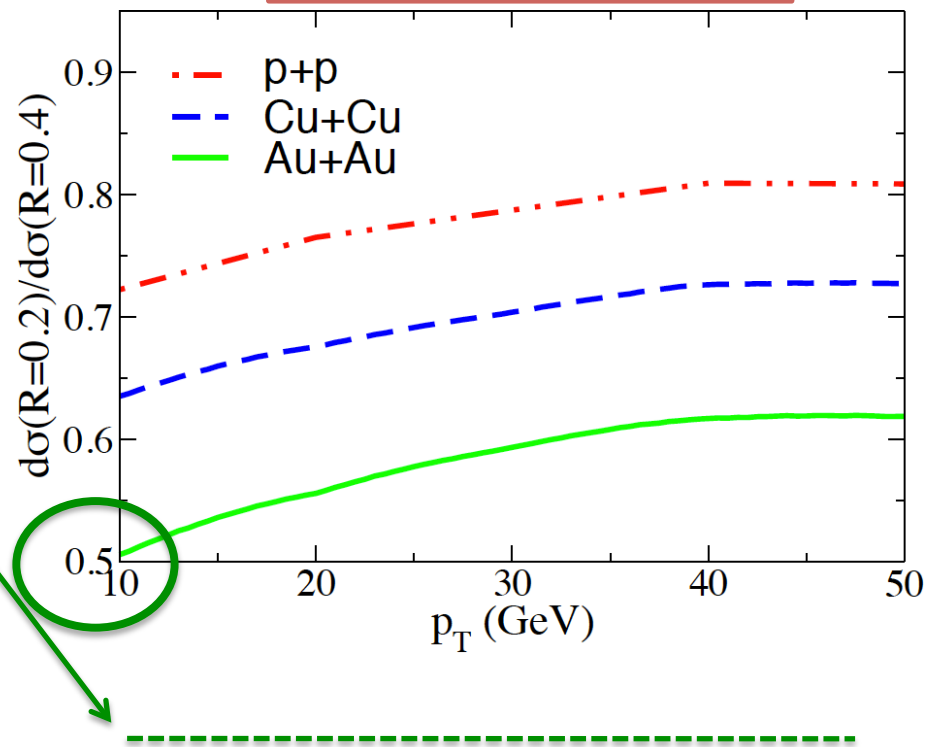
Marked suppression of ratio relative to p+p

- ➔ medium-induced jet broadening
- ➔ now observed with full jets, not hadron correlations

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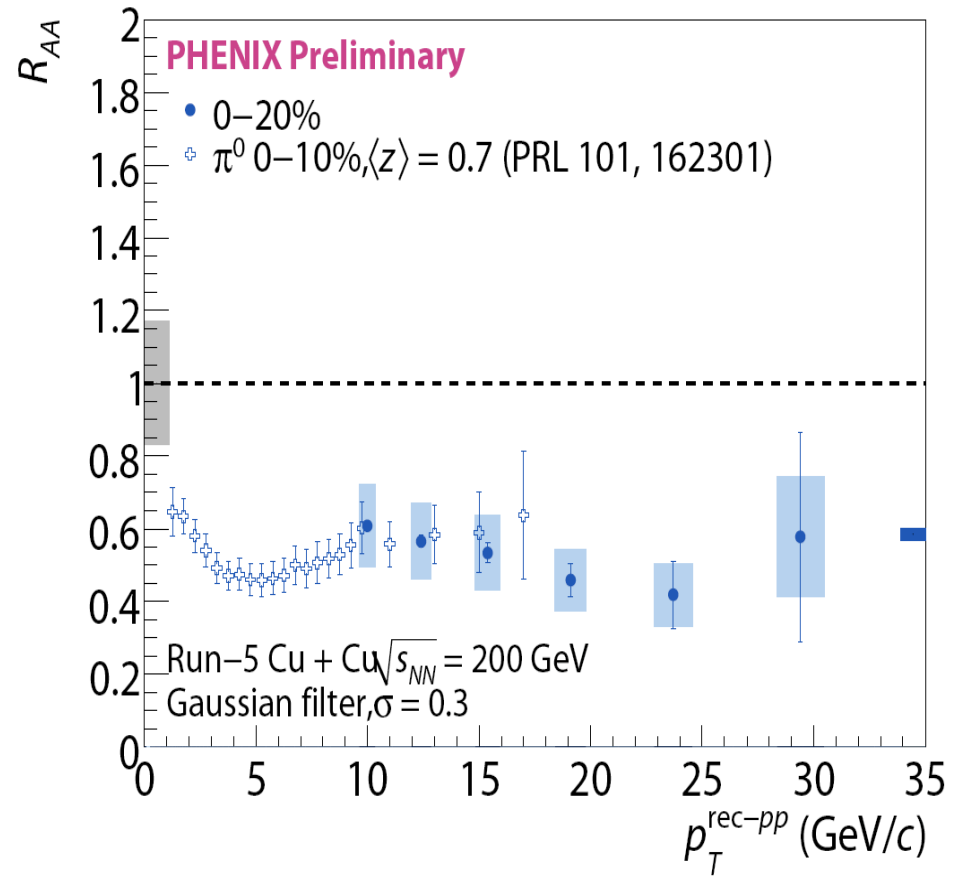
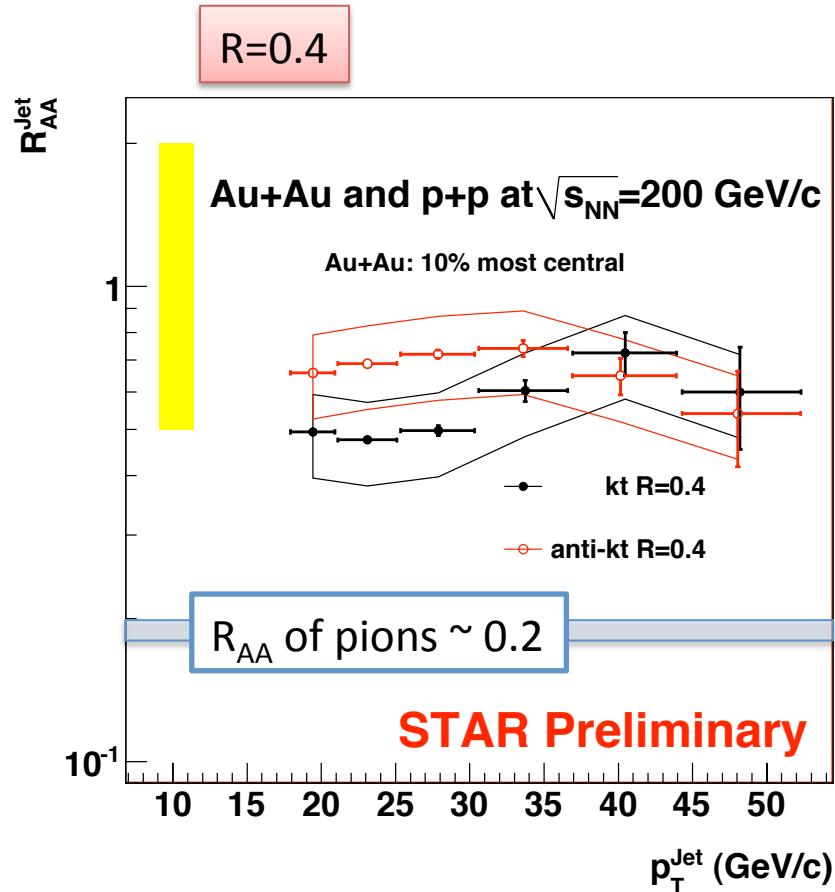
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Stronger broadening seen in measurement than NLO calculation...

➔ strong hadronization effects? (that would be unfortunate)

# Jet $R_{AA}$



- $R_{AA} < 1$  : full jet cross-section not recovered  $\rightarrow$  jet broadening
- But systematically difficult measurement

## **Q-PYTHIA: a medium-modified implementation of final state radiation**

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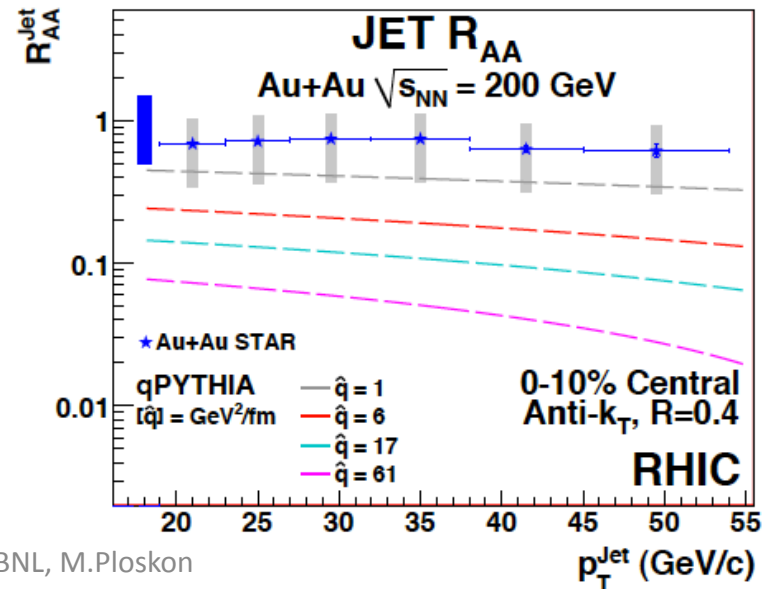
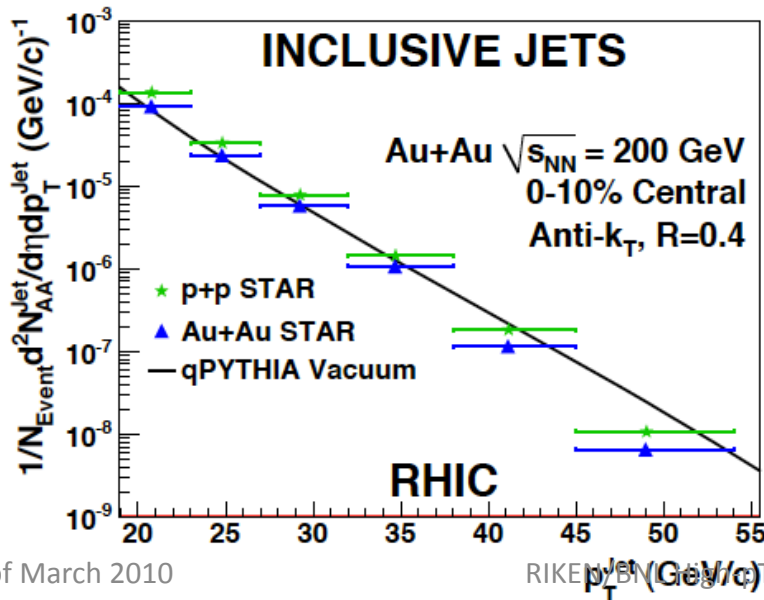
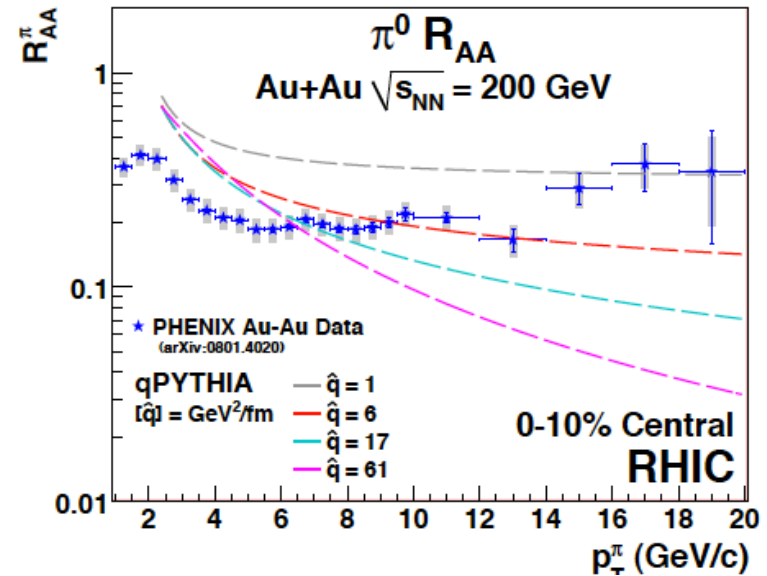
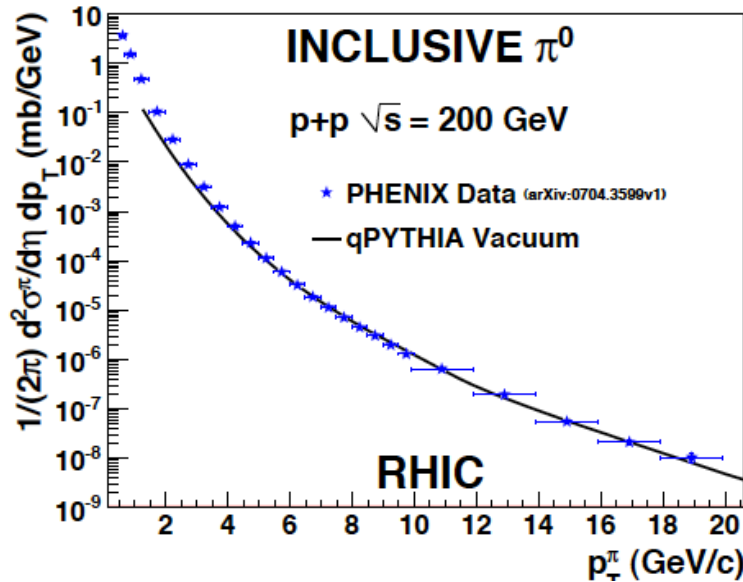
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qPYTHIA is the only publically released code at present...

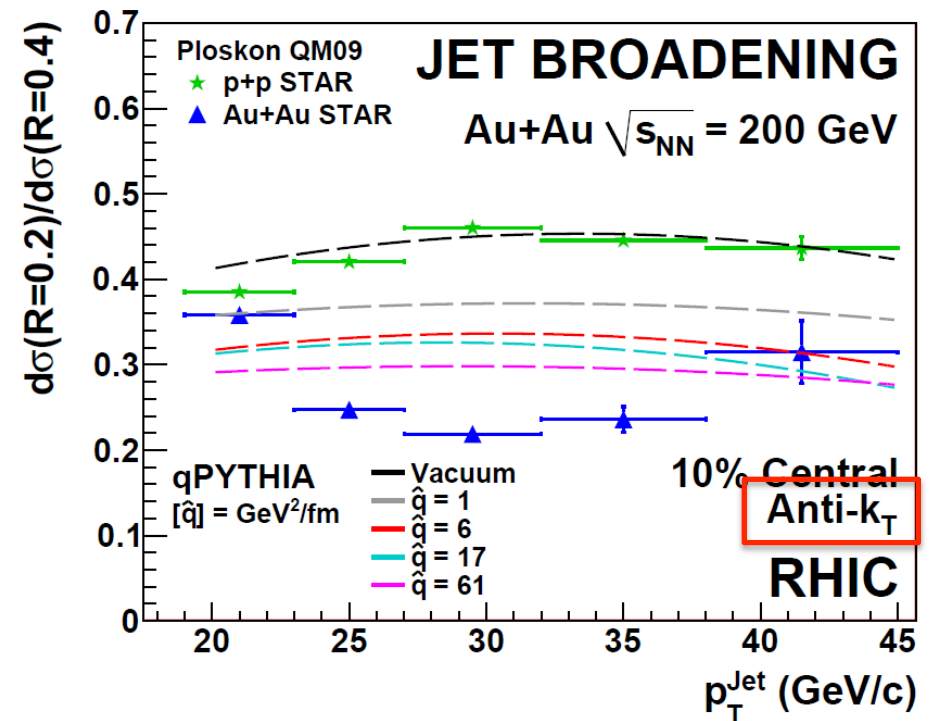
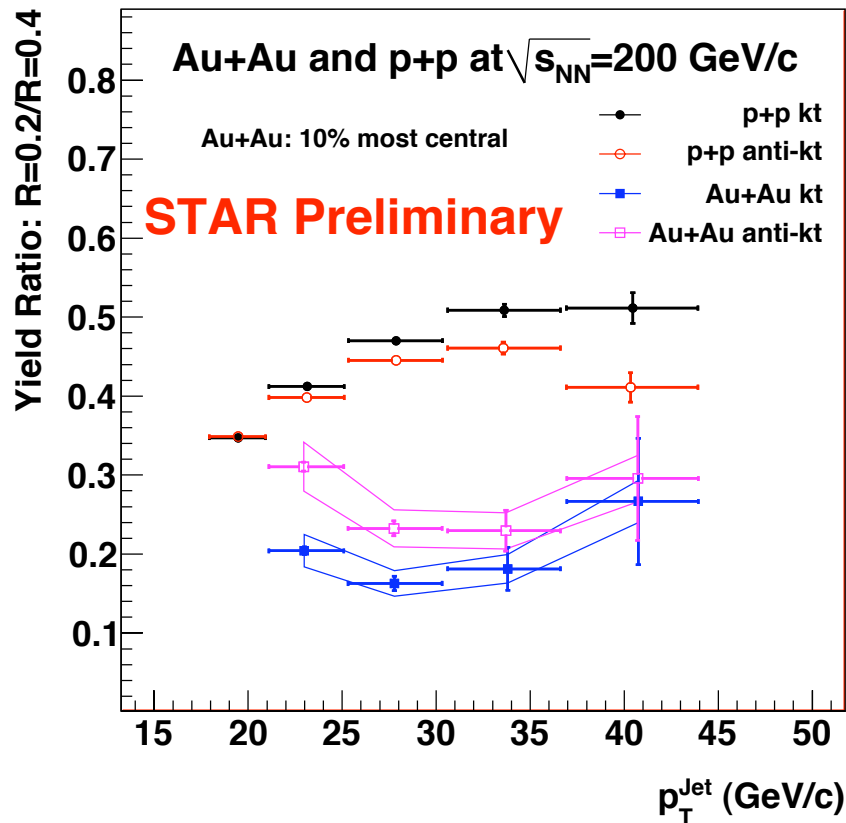
*(Collision geometry: Glauber calculation (~PQM))*

# qPYTHIA vs RHIC data

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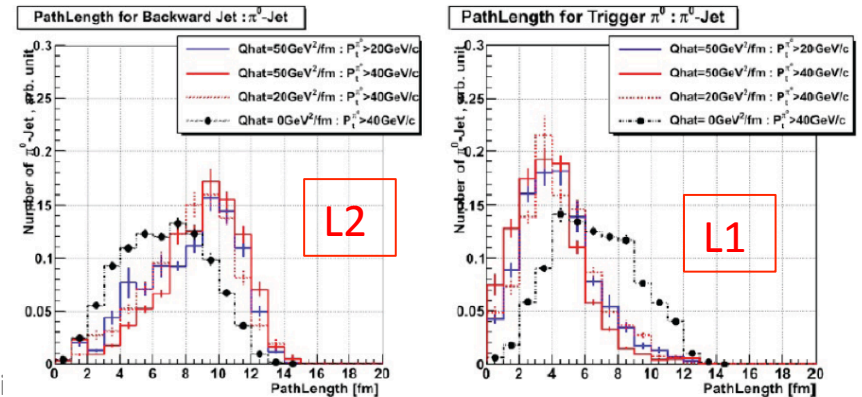
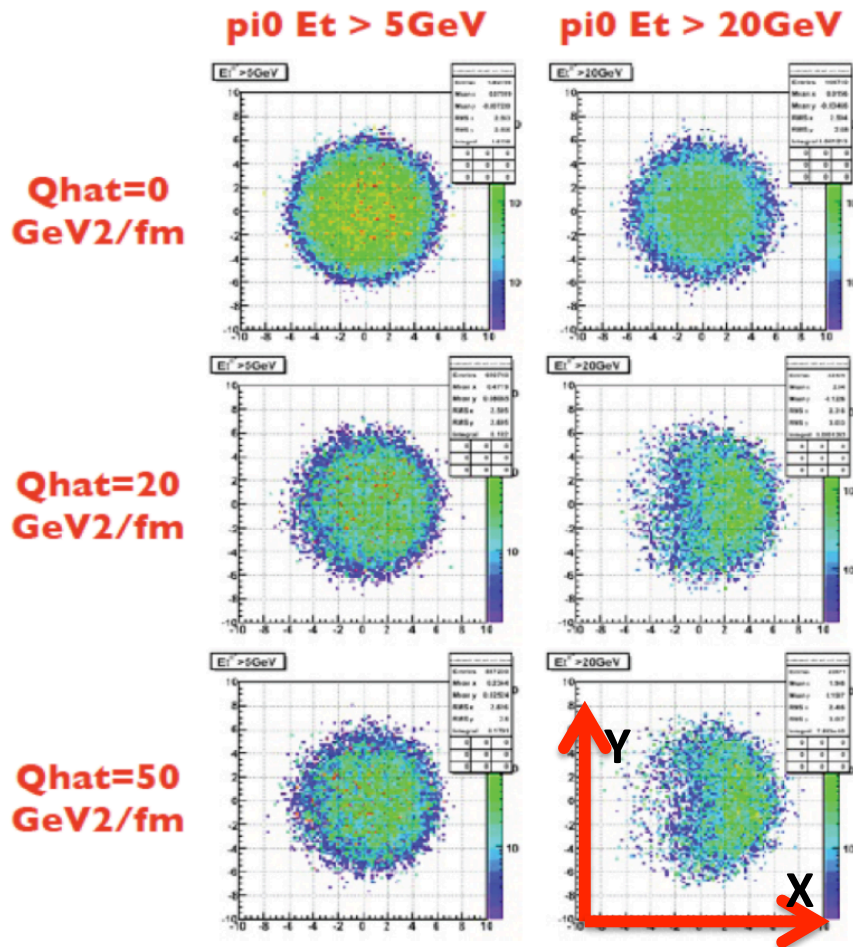
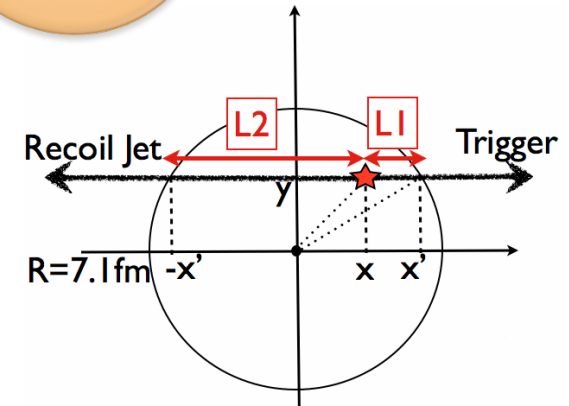
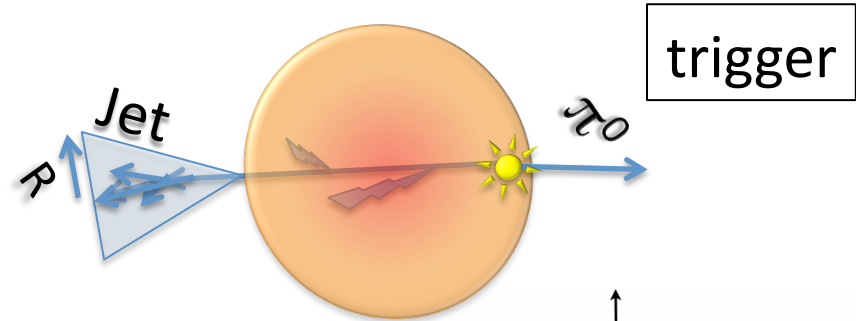
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 - more suppression (smaller  $R_{AA}$ ) and less broadening than observed

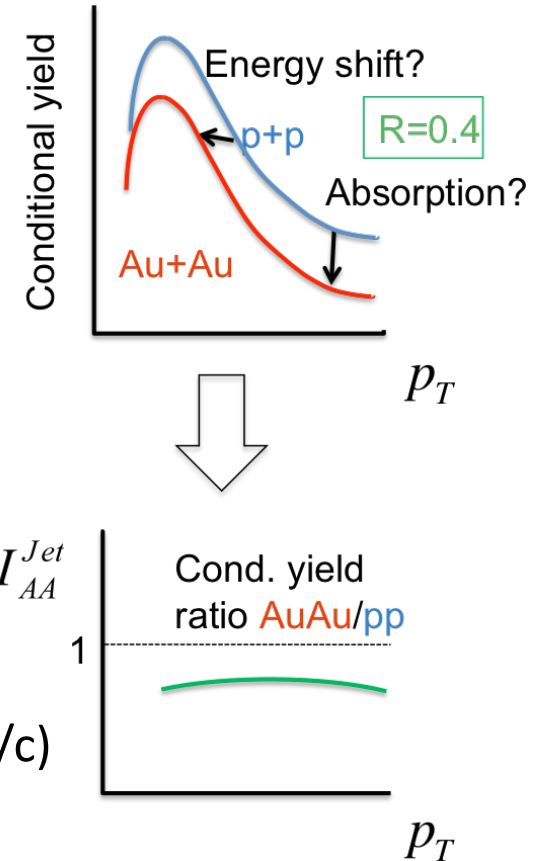
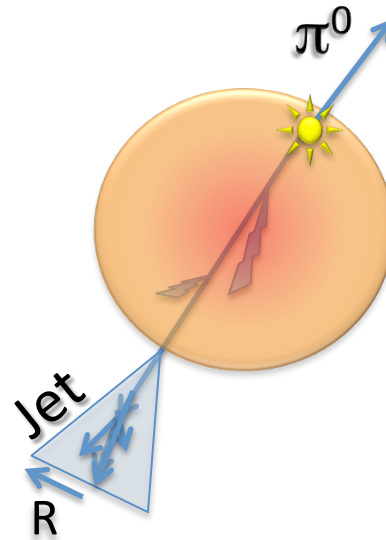
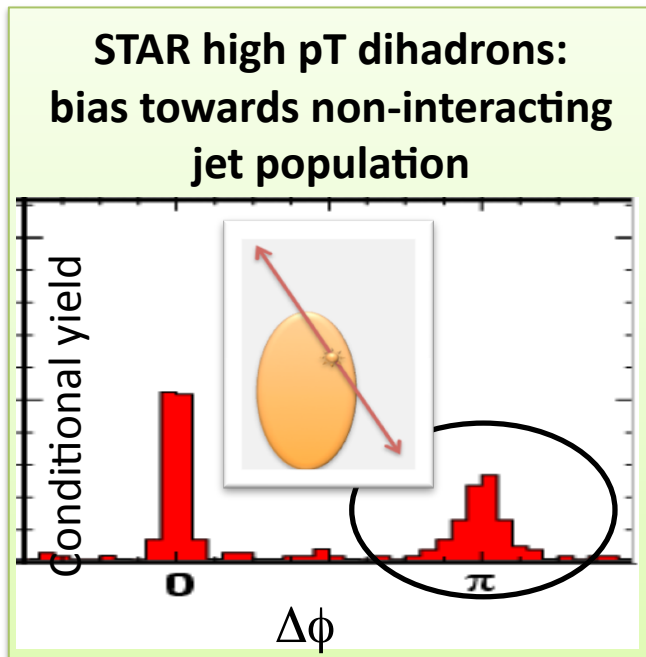
# Next generation measurement: controlled variation of jet path length

Calculation: qPYTHIA



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# Hadron-jet coincidence

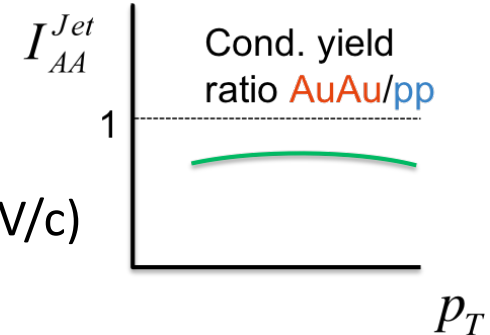
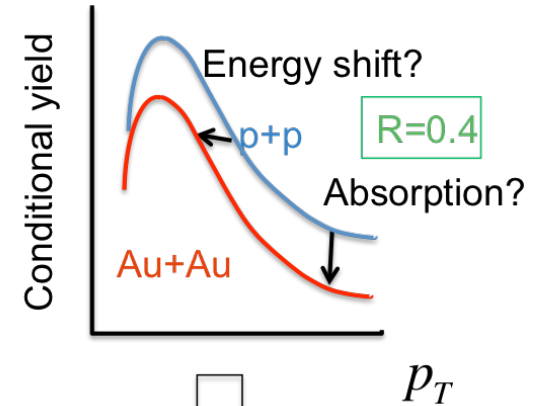
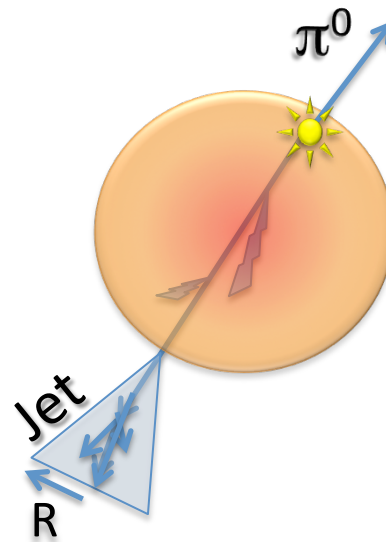
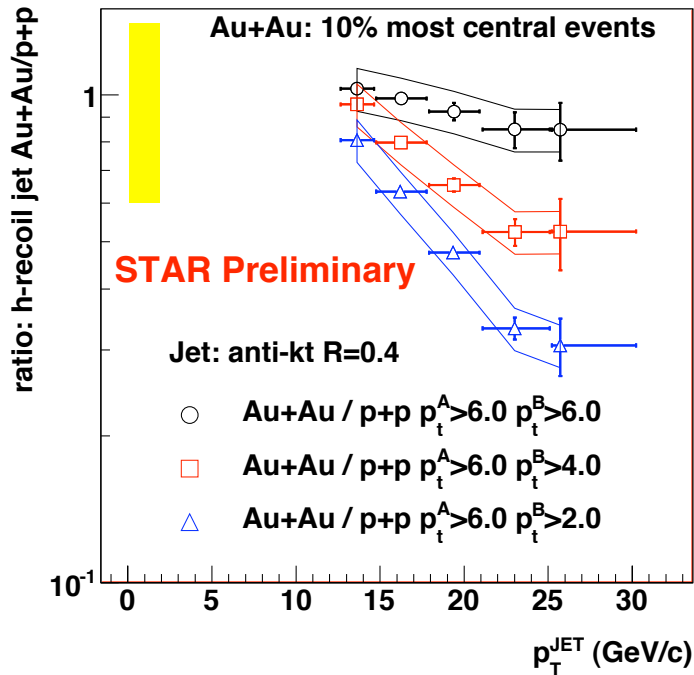


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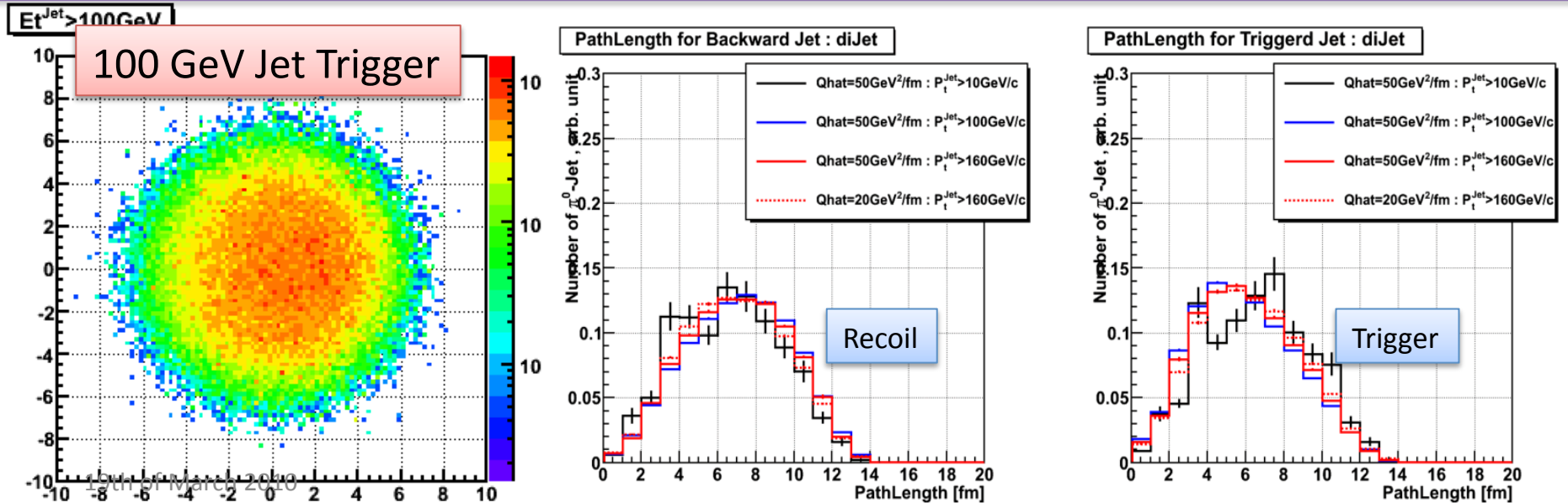
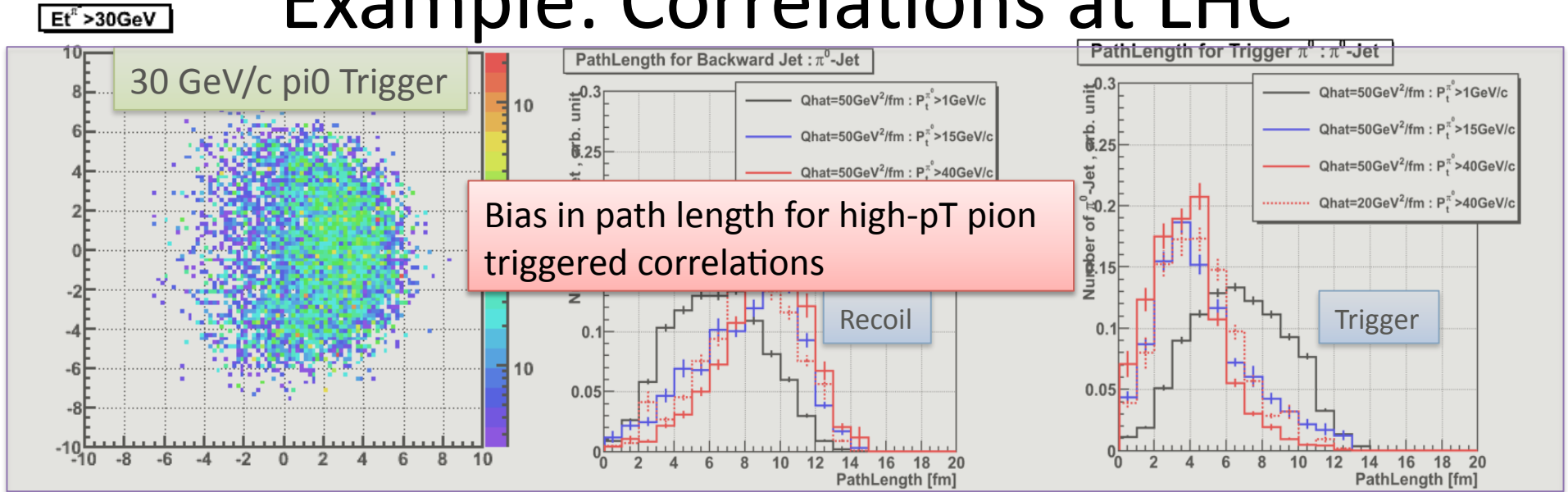


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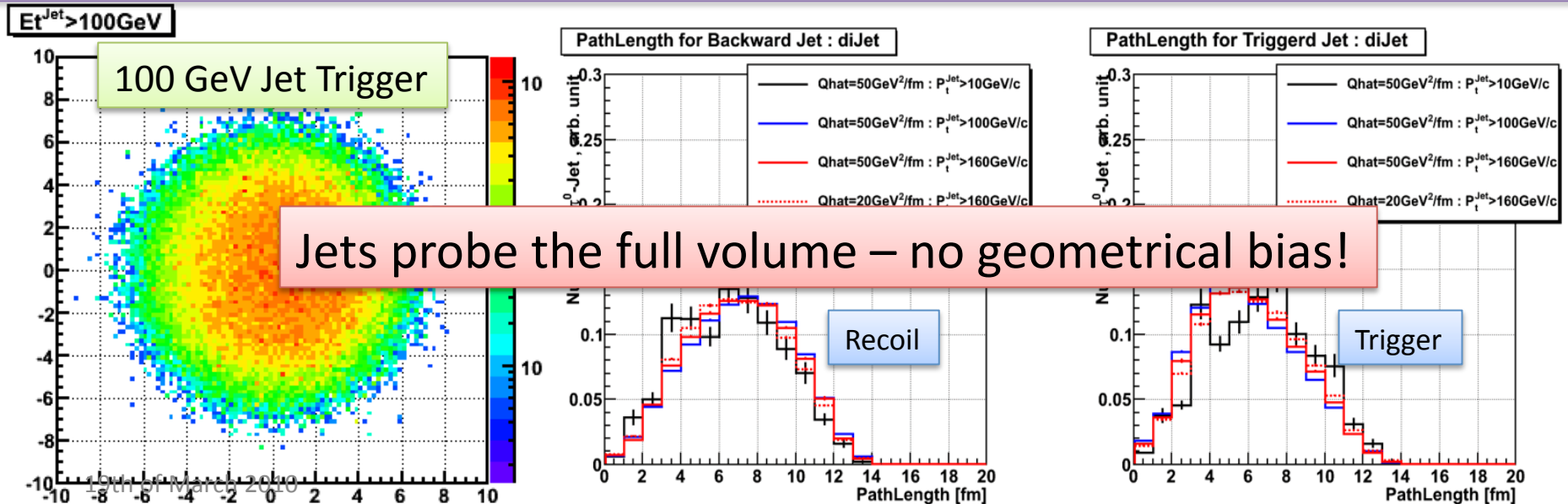
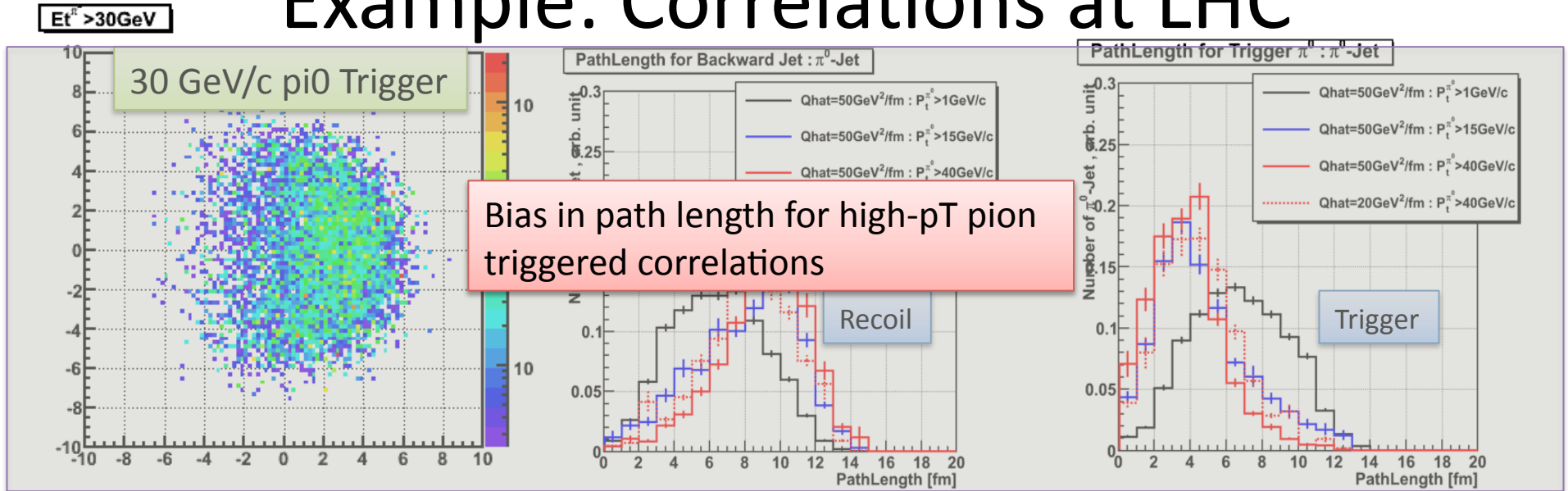
# Model study: Geometrical bias.

## Example: Correlations at LHC



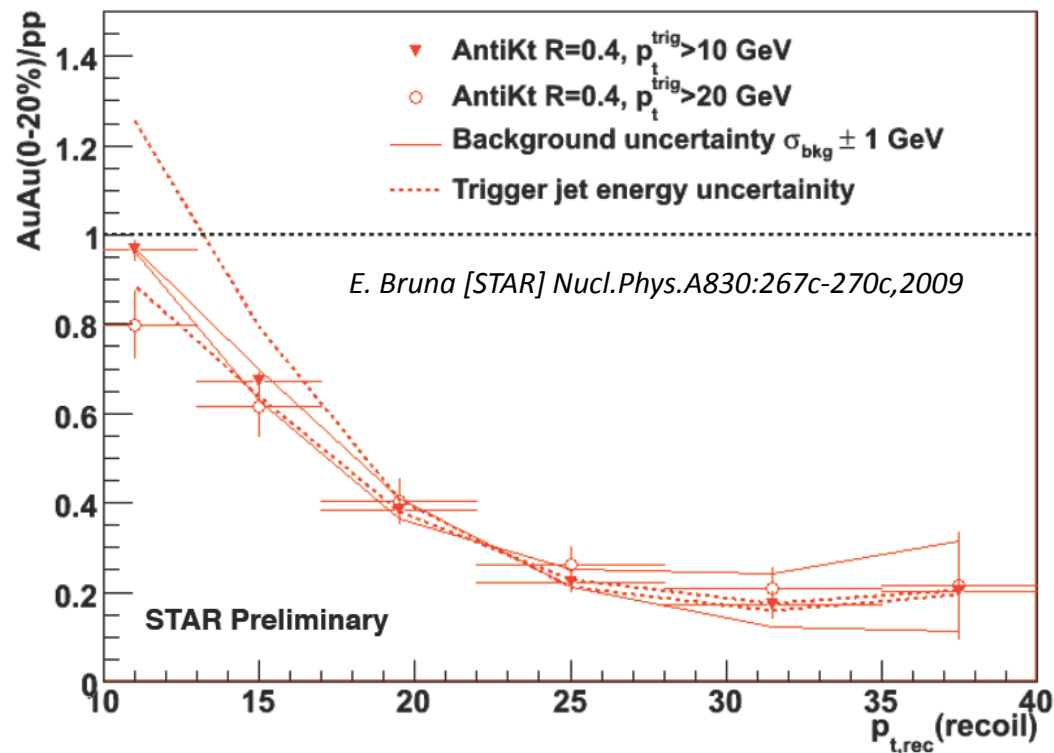
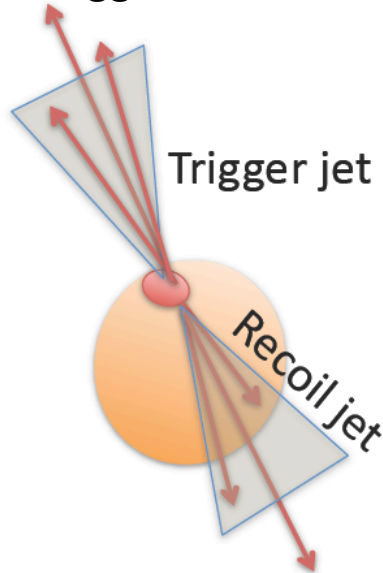
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# Jet quenching via di-jet measurements at STAR

High-Et trigger



- Non-interacting/unmodified trigger jet maximizes path length for the back-to-back jets
- Significant suppression in di-jet coincidence measurements

# Summary and Outlook

Complete jet reconstruction promises qualitatively new insight into jet interactions in matter

- major focus of RHIC II and LHC HI programs
- has stimulated significant new theory activity

First results from fully reconstructed jets from STAR/RHIC show significant broadening of the jet structure in HI collisions

But significant technical issues for systematically well-controlled measurements

- main issue: HI background characterization
- high backgrounds expected also in high luminosity p+p at LHC

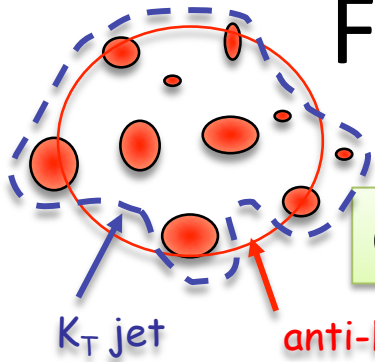
*More on jets from STAR: E. Bruna [STAR] Nucl.Phys.A830:267c-270c,2009*

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# Future measurements

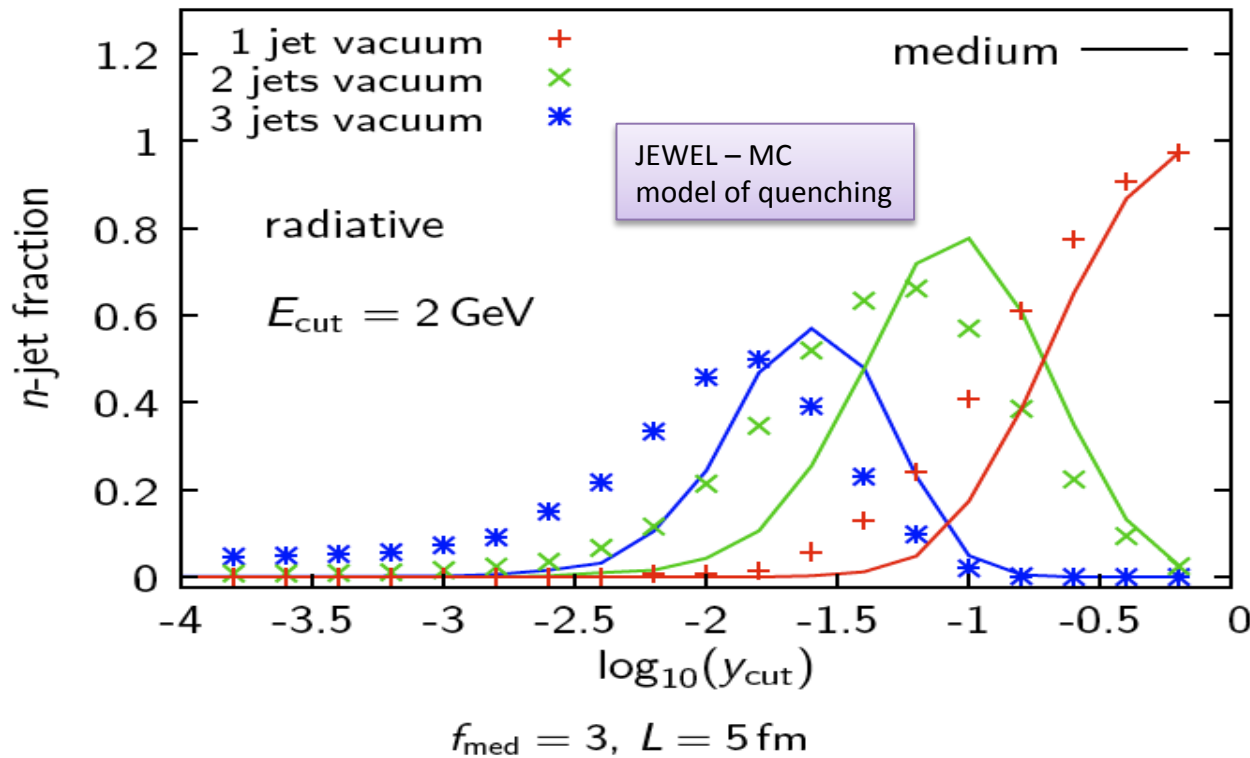
If time allows...

# Future measurement: subjets



Count sub-jets when  $y_{ij} > y_{\text{cut}}$  :  $y_{ij} = 2\min(E_i^2, E_j^2)(1 - \cos \theta_{ij})/E_{\text{cm}}^2$

jet rates for a single 100 GeV quark jet



Subject distributions:

- + Insensitive to hadronization
- + Quenching signal with bg suppressing pt cut

- Suffer from energy resolutions:

$$-\log_{10}(f_{\text{corr}}^2)$$

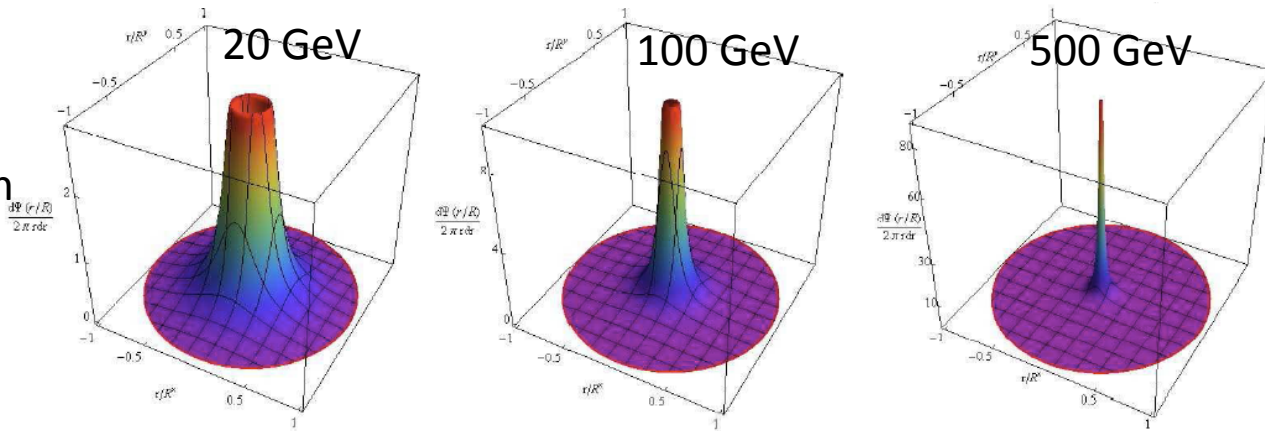
where

$$f_{\text{corr}} = E_{\text{jet}}^{\text{true}} / E_{\text{jet}}^{\text{measured}}$$

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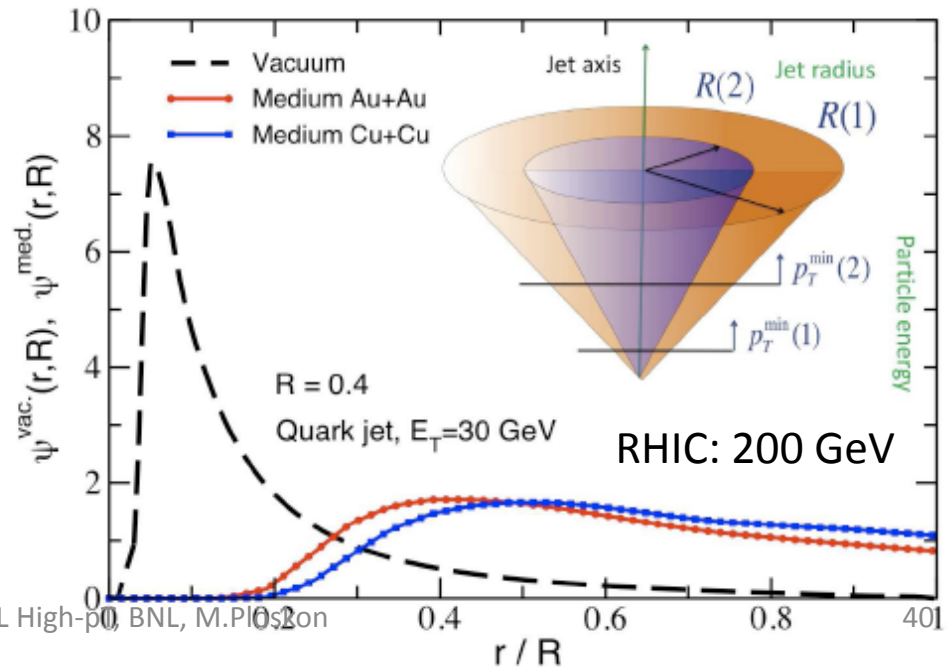
# Jet shapes

LHC/  
Tevatron



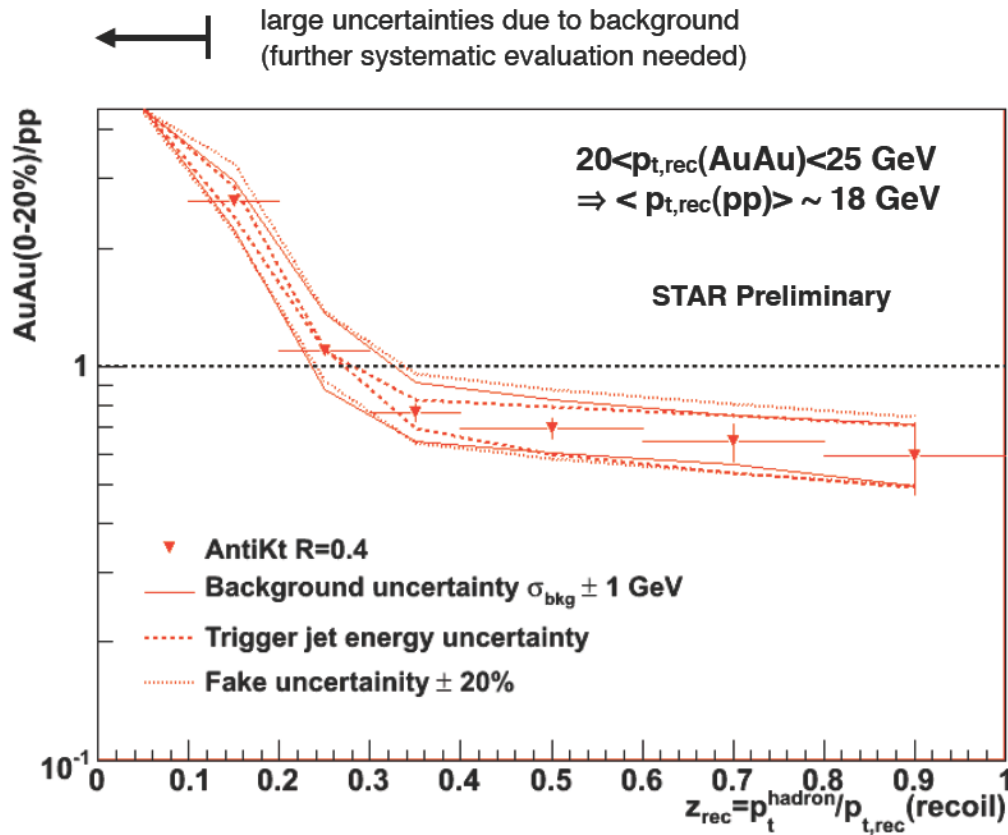
$$\psi(r, R) = \frac{d}{dr} \left\{ \frac{\sum_i E_{T_i} \theta(r - R_{i,\text{jet}})}{\sum_i E_{T_i} \theta(R - R_{i,\text{jet}})} \right\}$$

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[arXiv:0910.1090v1 \[hep-ph\]](#)





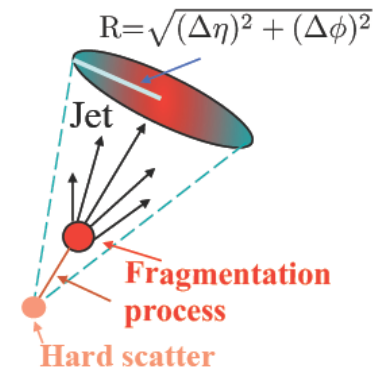
# Jet quenching: Modified jet fragmentation



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Fragmentation pattern of jets which interact with the medium (AuAu) differs from same energy vacuum jets (pp) -> ratio of  $z_T$ : AuAu/pp

$$z_T = p_T^{hadron} / p_T^{jet}$$



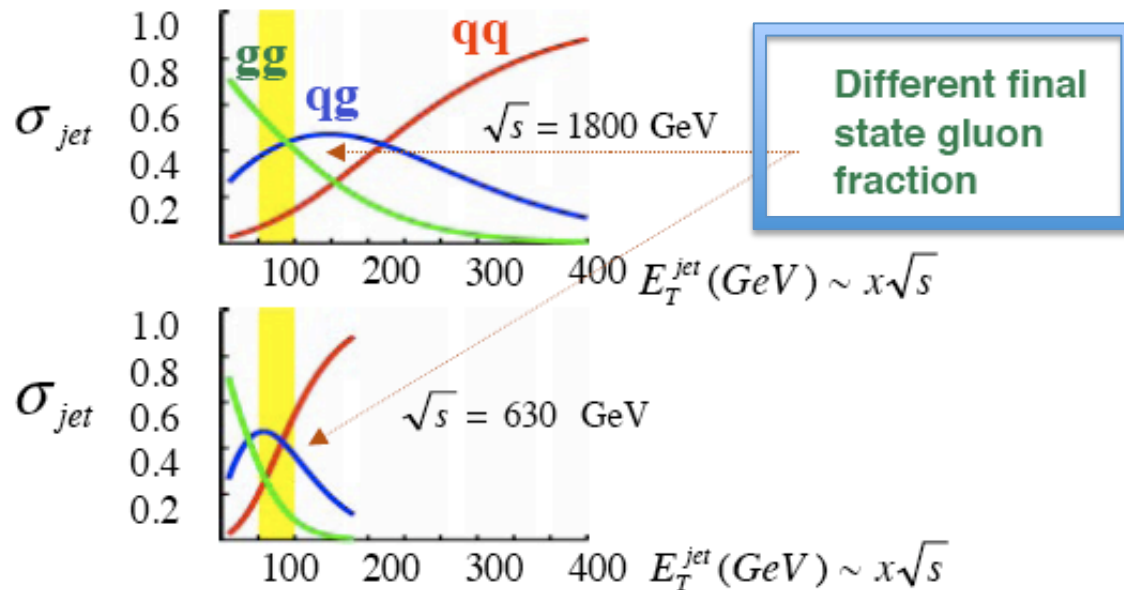
# Possibility at RHIC – Sensitivity to final state gluon fraction in p-p

## Example: Subjets at Tevatron(D0)

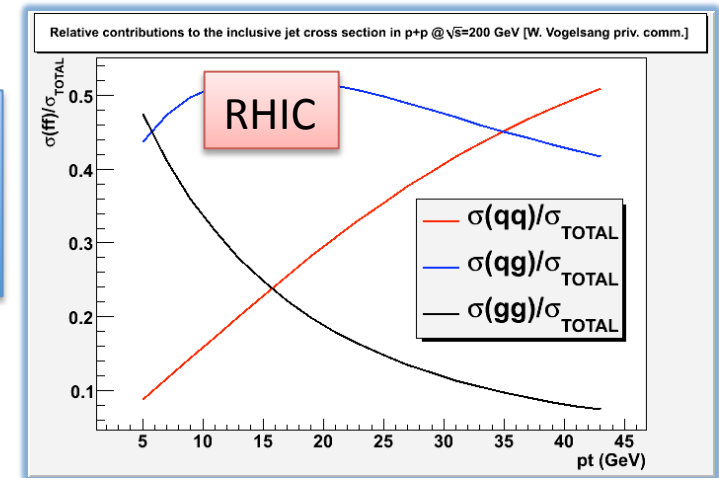
- Reclustering (re-run of a kt algor) on a jet -> recombination into n-subjets separated by  $y_{\min}$  cut -> used for q-g jet discrimination

### Basic Idea:

- Compare the subjet multiplicity of jets with same  $E_T$  and  $\eta$  at center of mass energies 630 and 1800 GeV



Vogelsang: pp @ 200 GeV



RHIC will measure pp@500 GeV  
LHC?

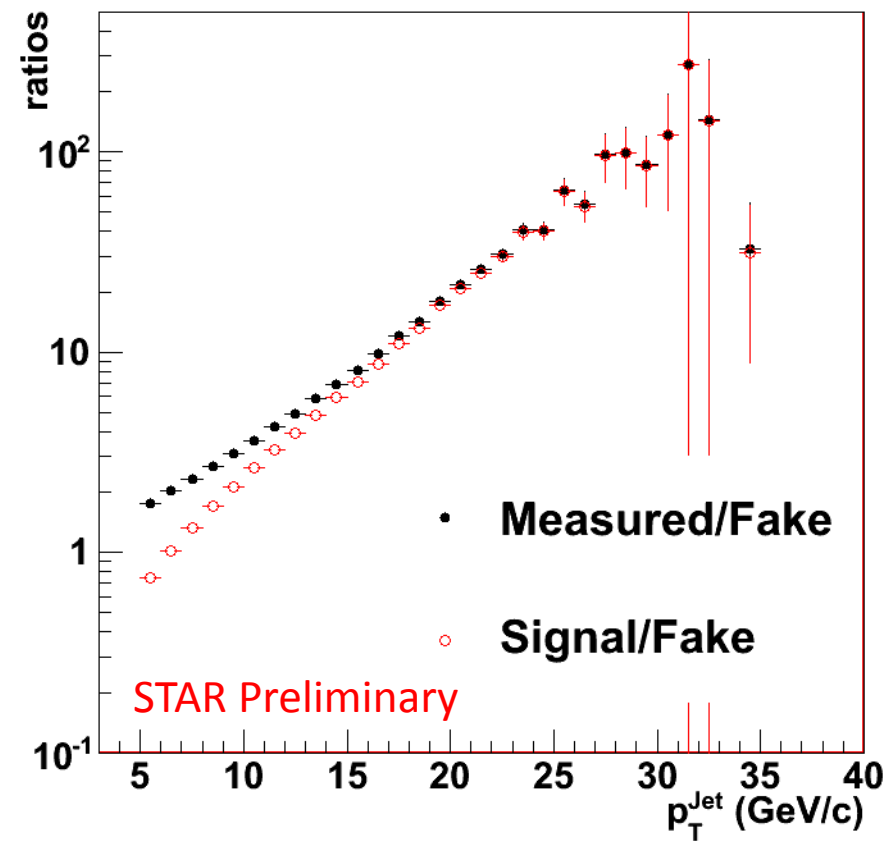
# Additional considerations

# Fake jet contamination/STAR

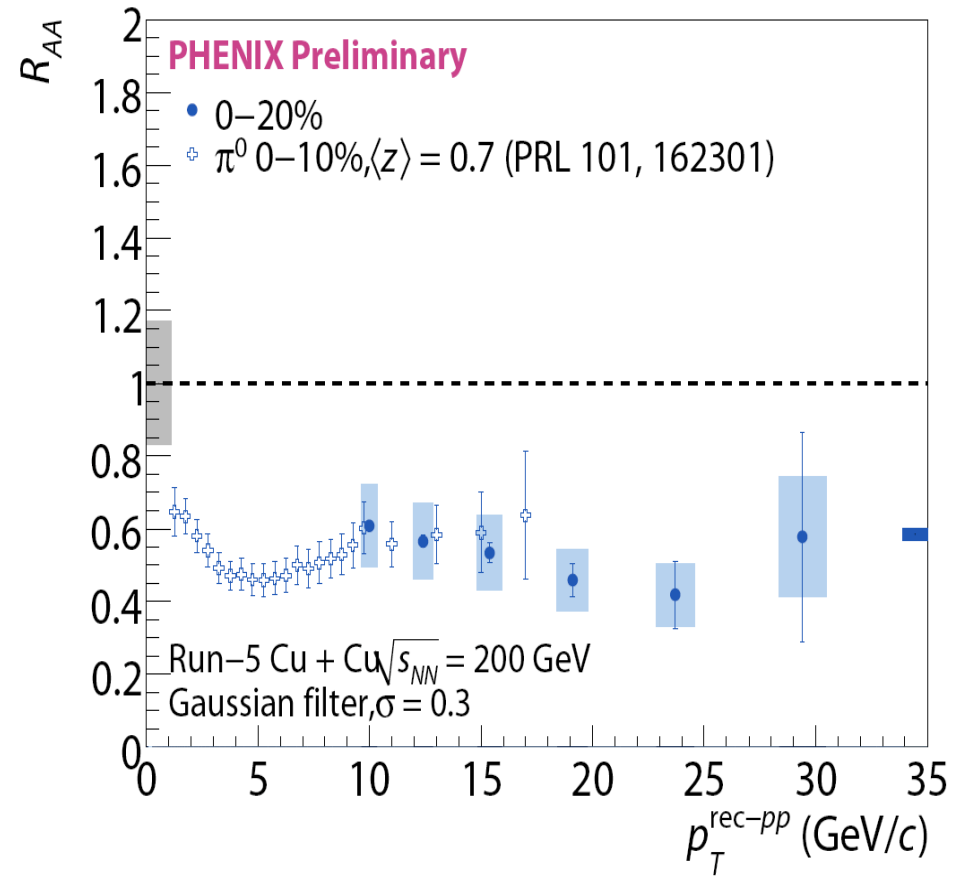
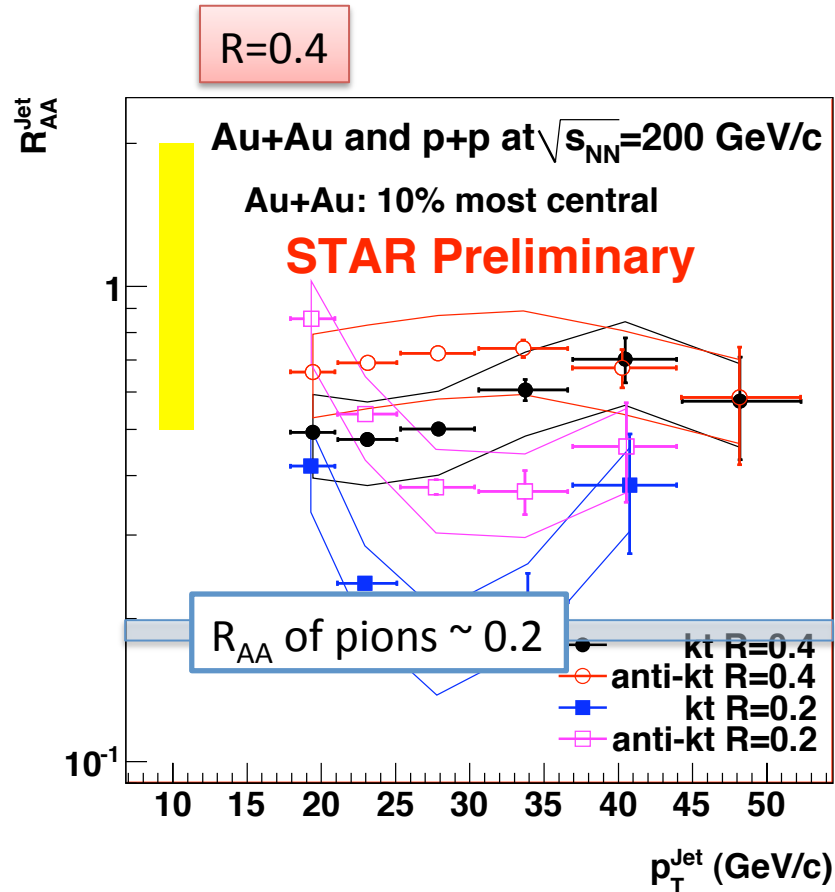
“Fake” jets: signal in excess of background model from random association of uncorrelated soft particles (i.e. not due to hard scattering)

“Fake” jet rate estimation:

- Central Au+Au dataset (real data)
- Randomize azimuth of each charged particle and calorimeter tower
- Run jet finder
- Remove leading particle from each found jet
- Re-run jet finder



# Jet $R_{AA}$



- $R_{AA} < 1$  : full jet cross-section not recovered  $\rightarrow$  jet broadening
- But systematically difficult measurement