

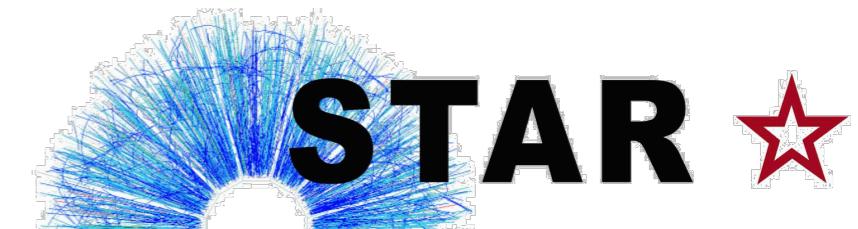
Di-jet Hadron Correlations in Au+Au Collisions at STAR at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV

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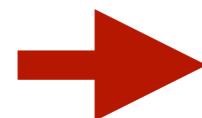
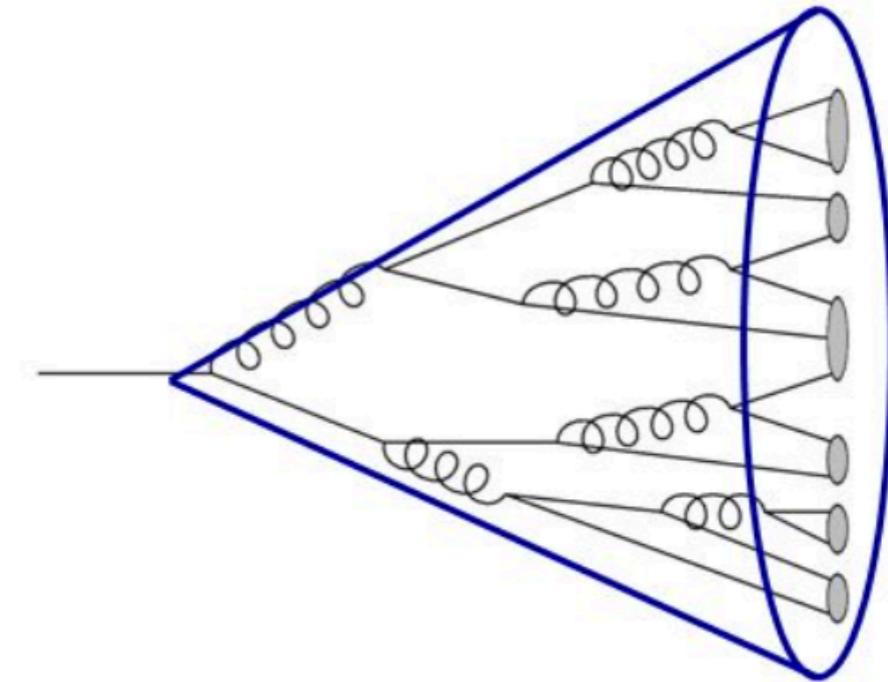
Jets

theory: $X \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ (or g)

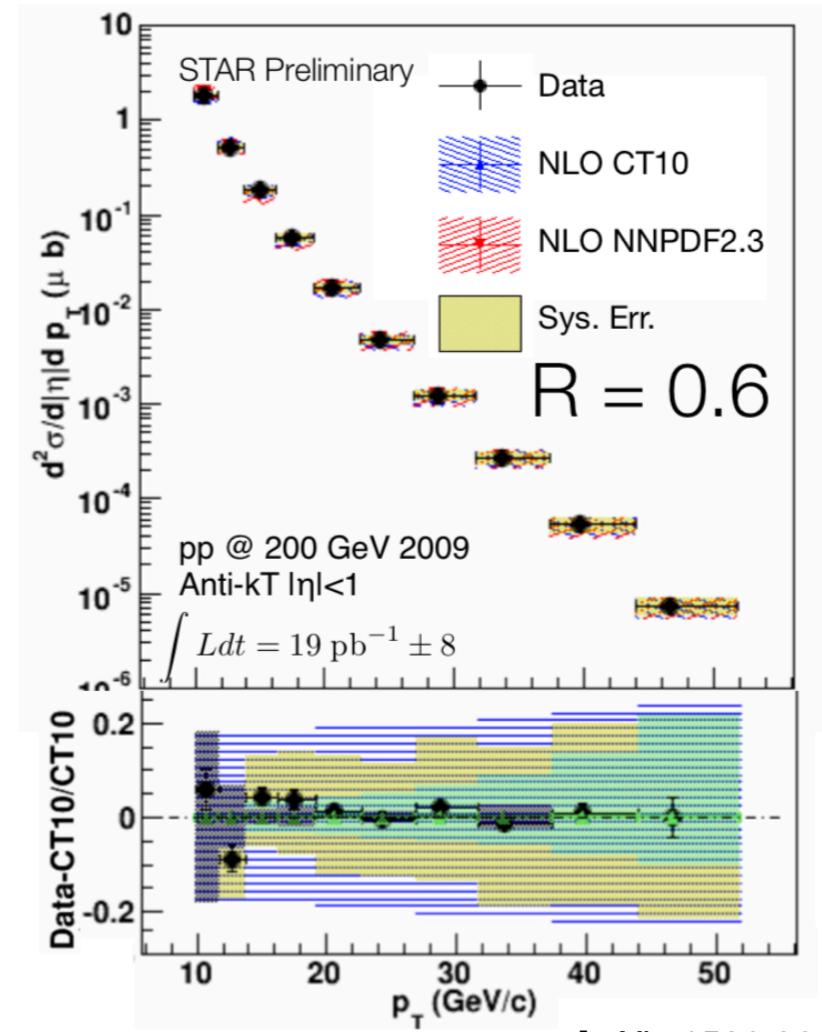
experiment: collimated shower
of hadrons

theory → jetfinding → experiment

jets are calculable: pQCD



experimental agreement
with theoretical predictions



FastJet

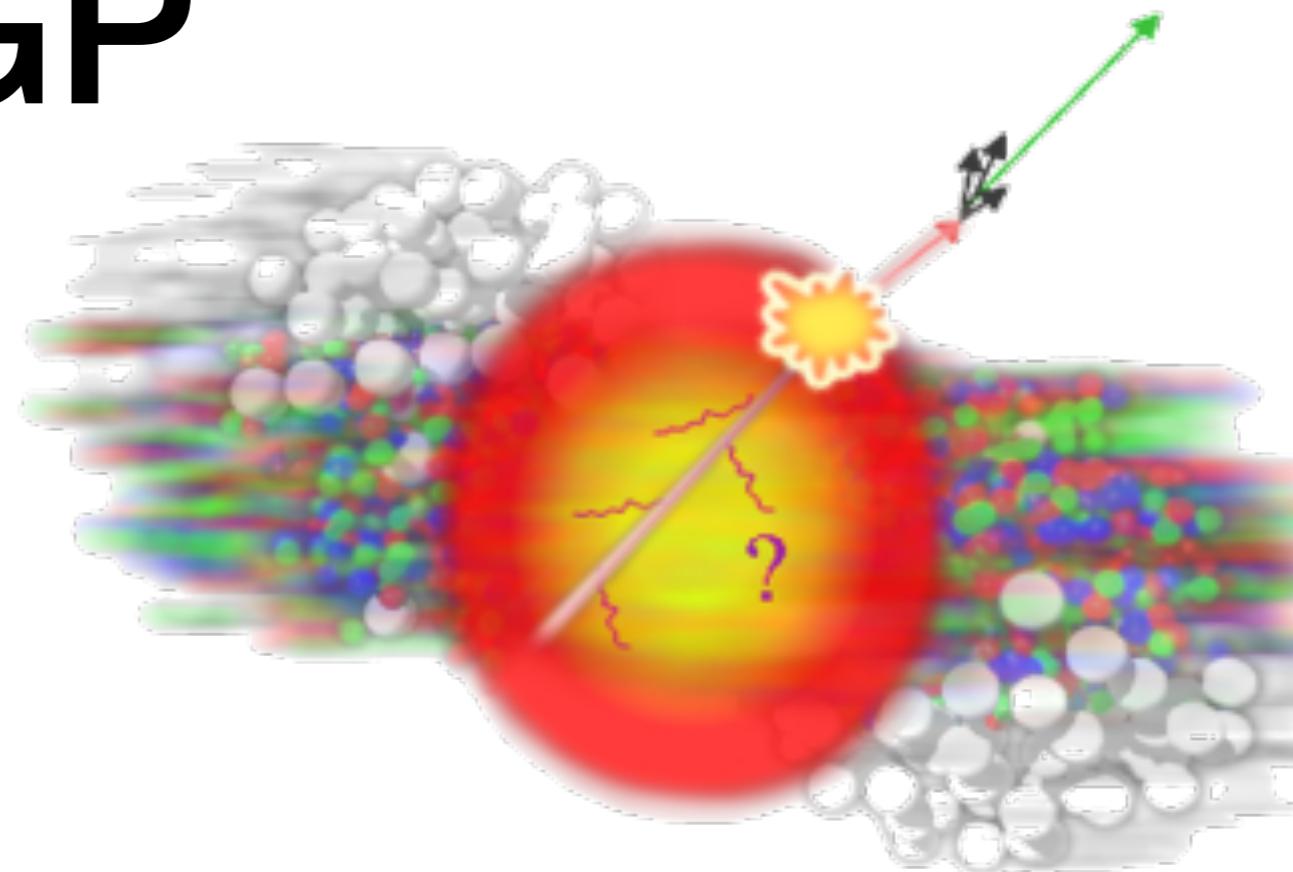
Jets in the QGP

hard scattering happens early

internal probe of the QGP

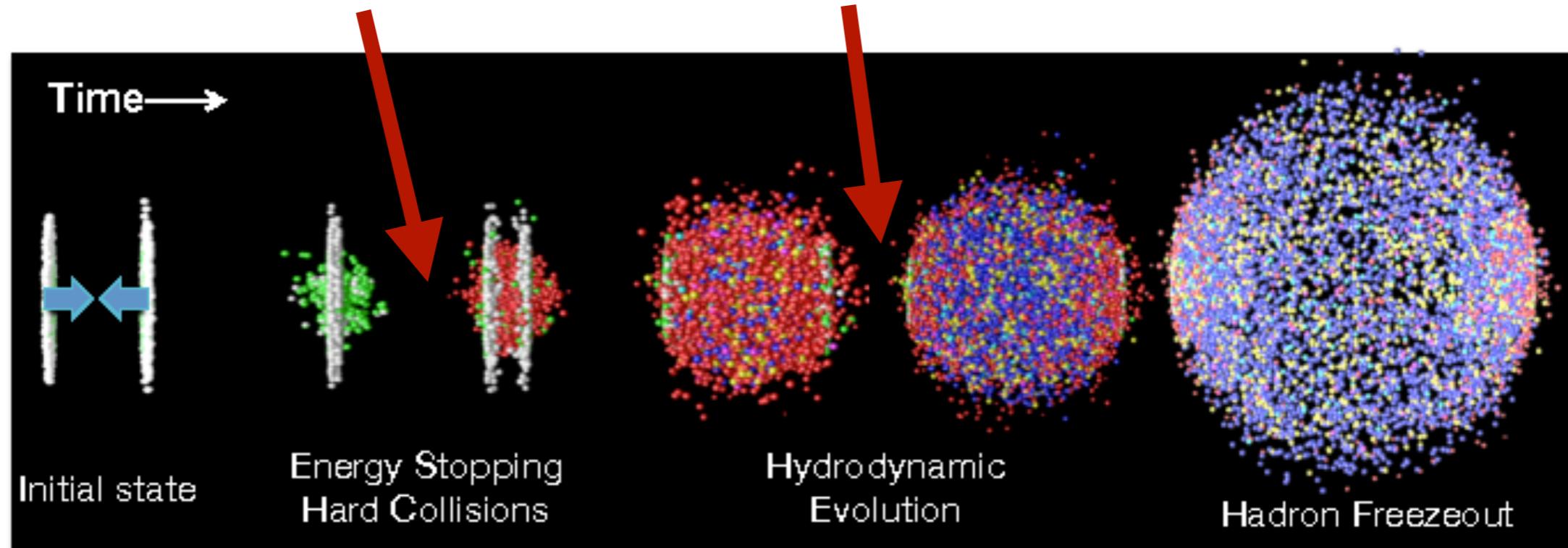
partonic energy loss

→ broadening & softening

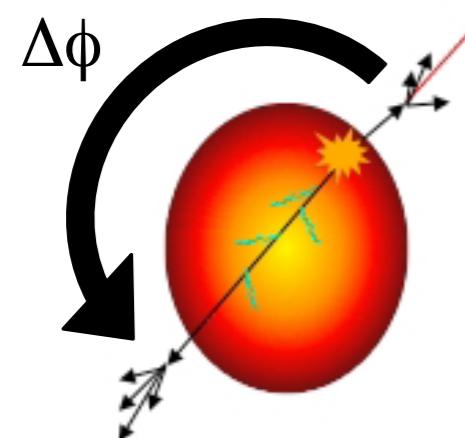


jet production

probes medium evolution



Jets in the QGP at STAR



enhancement of recoil jet
low p_T constituents

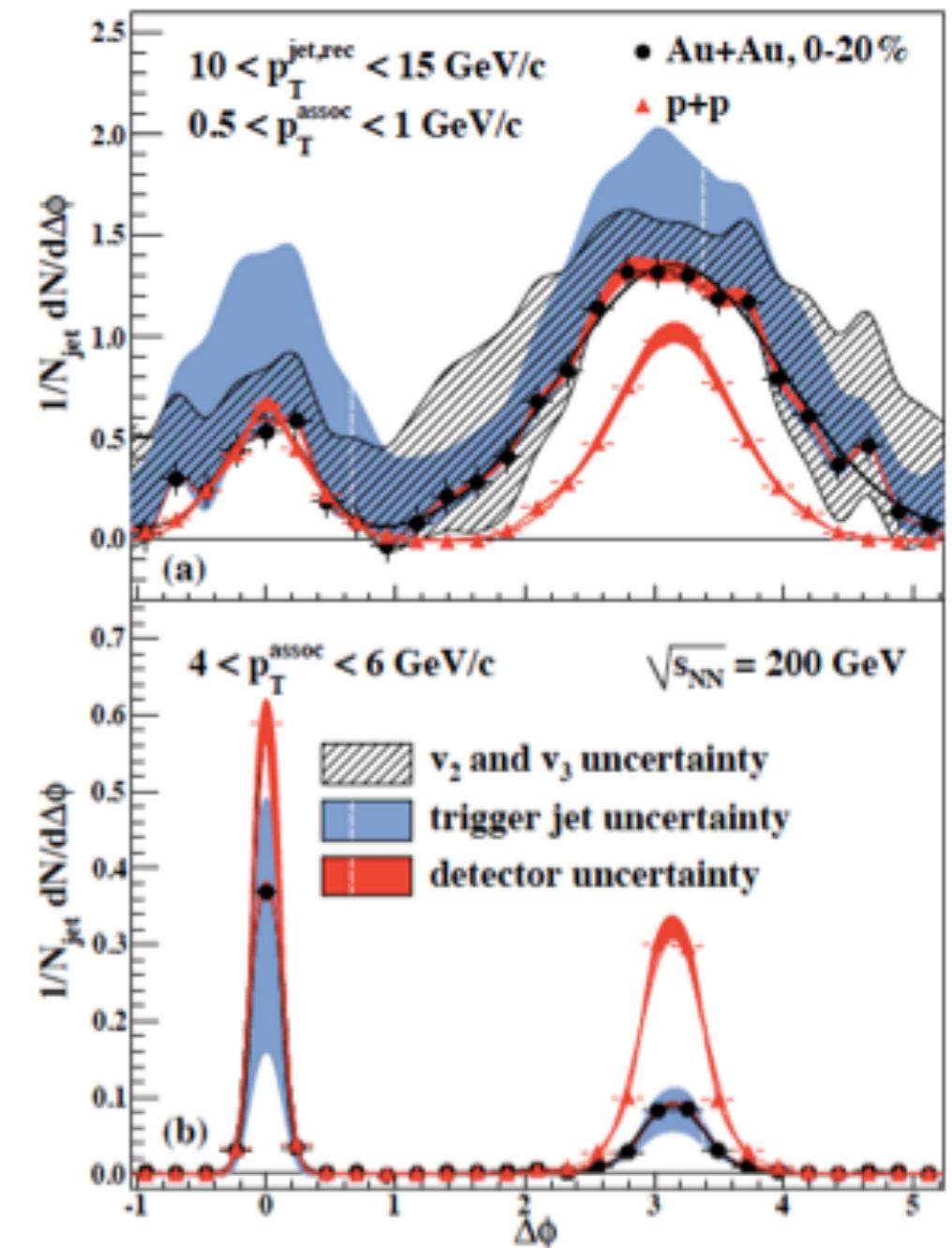


suppression of recoil jet
high p_T constituents



how to measure jet-by-jet
energy loss?

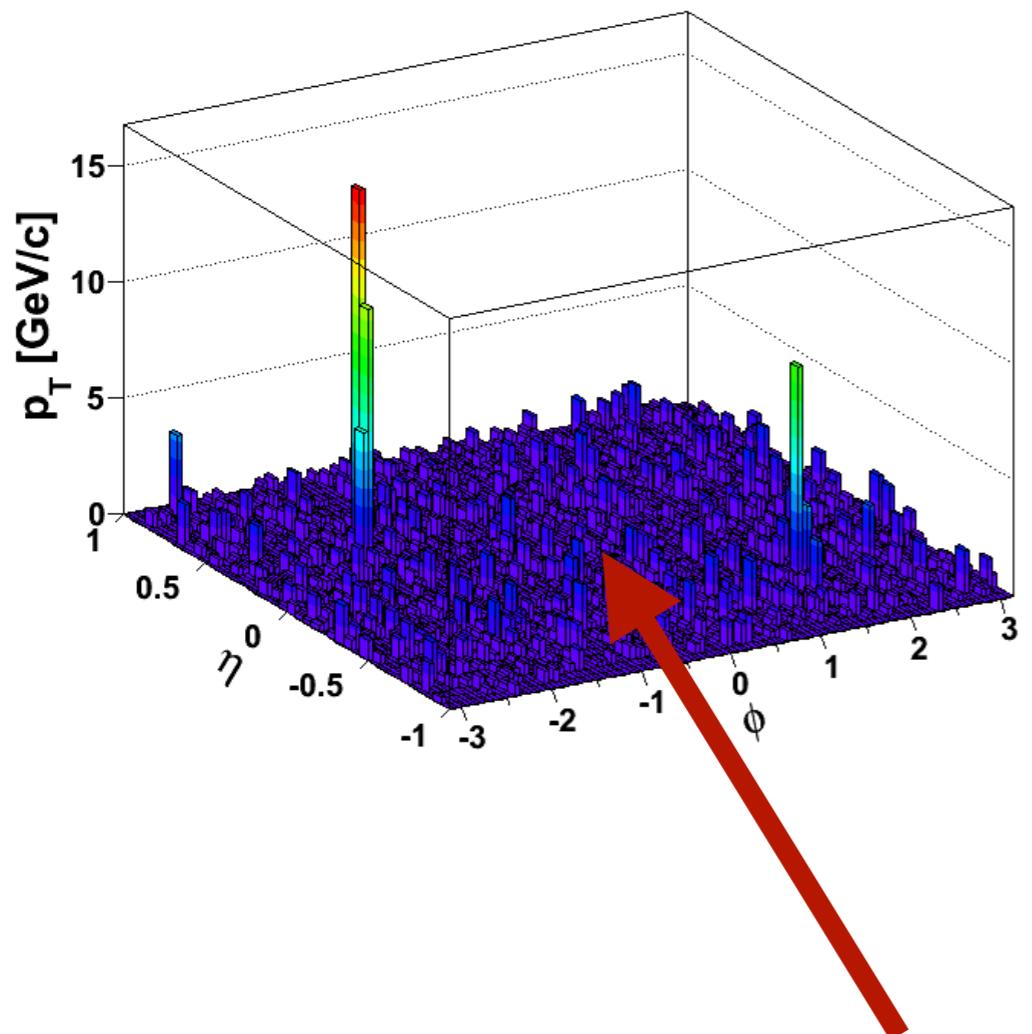
jet-hadron correlations



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Hard core jets at STAR

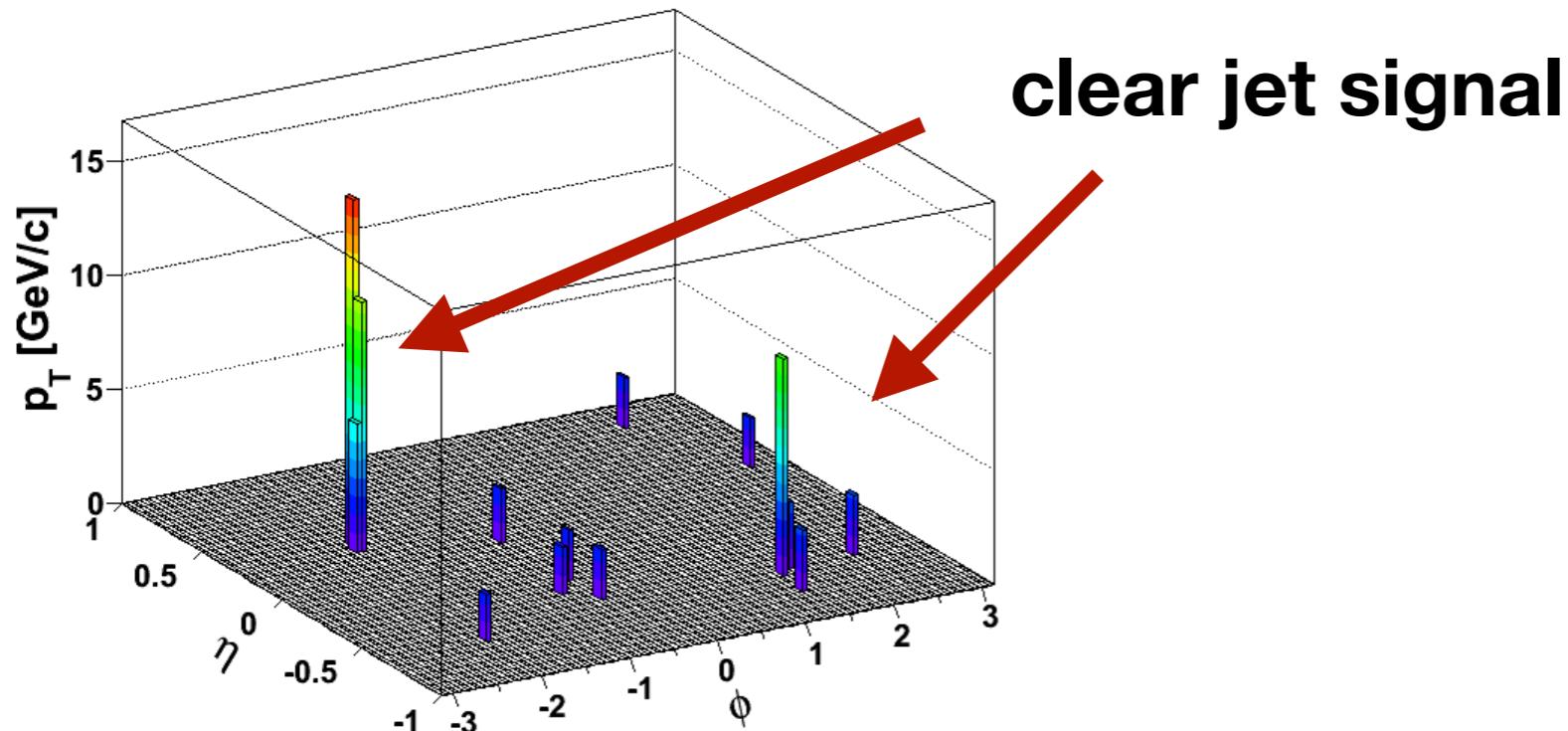
in a heavy ion background



large background energy density

Hard core jets at STAR

in a heavy ion background

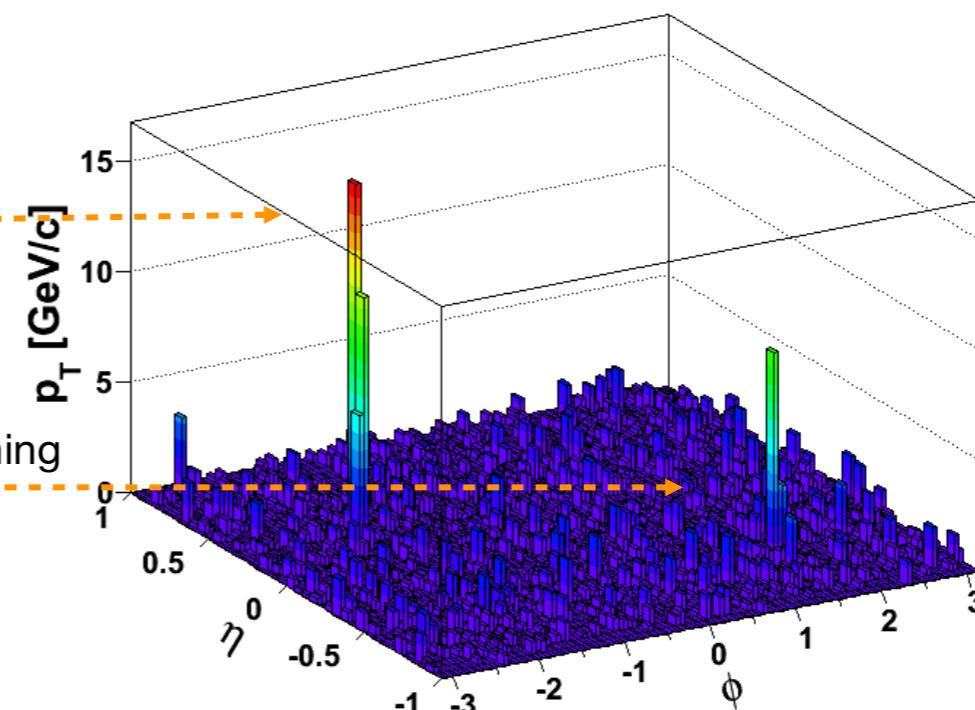
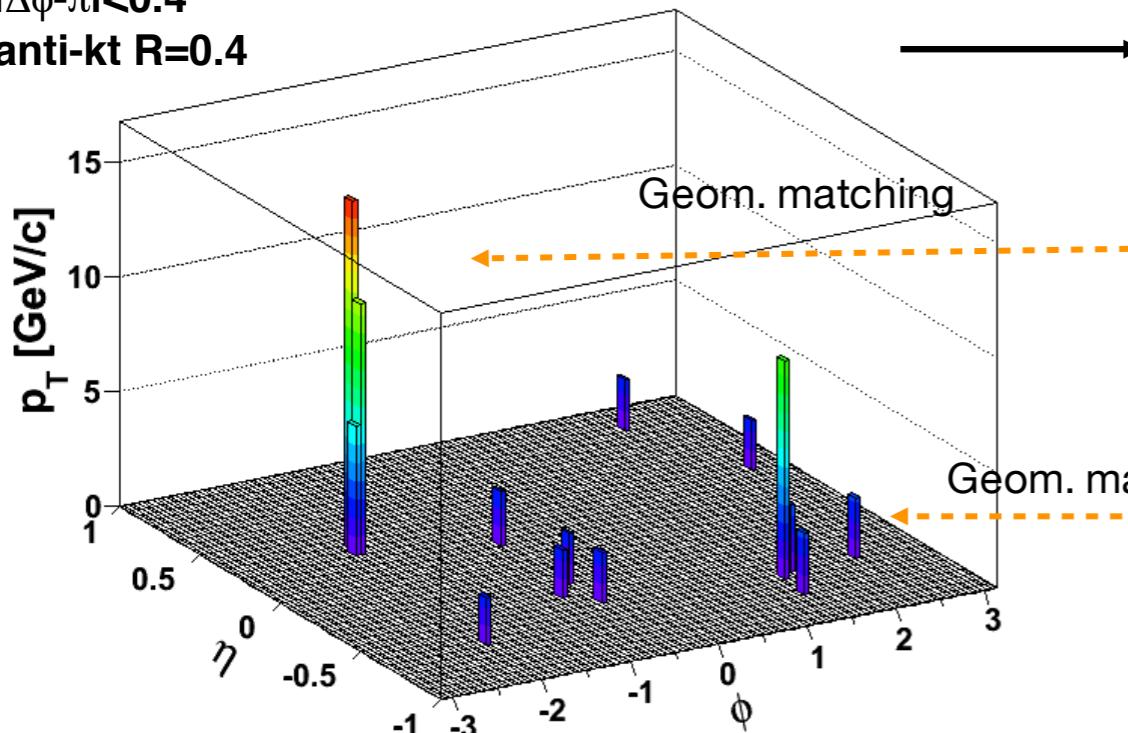


$p_T^{\text{const}} > 2 \text{ GeV}/c$ cut → removes almost all background

Hard core jets at STAR

in a heavy ion background

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 $p_T^{\text{Lead}} > 20 \text{ GeV}/c$
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 $|\Delta\phi - \pi| < 0.4$
anti- k_T $R = 0.4$



$p_T^{\text{const}} > 2 \text{ GeV}/c$ cut



removes almost all background

geometric matching



no combinatoric jets,
recover all constituents

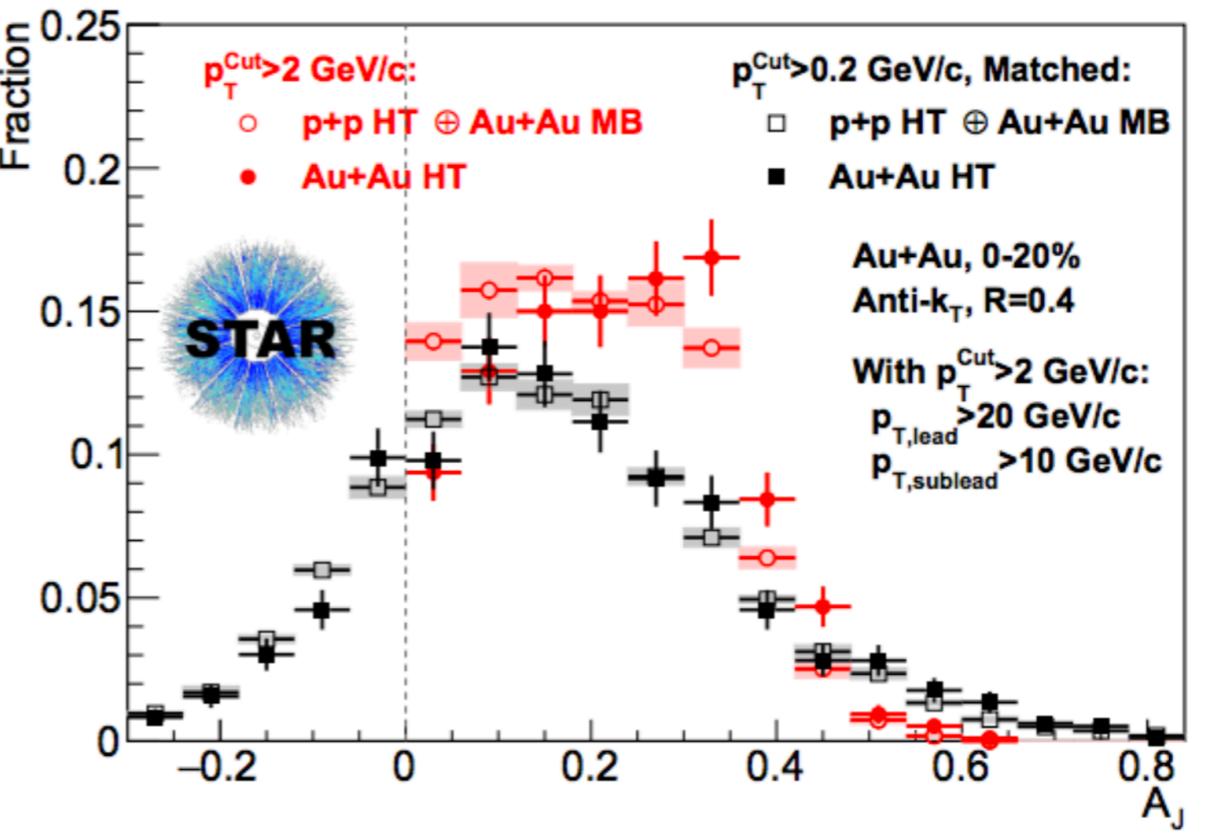
Di-jet imbalance at STAR

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

hard core di-jets imbalanced
with respect to p+p

when soft constituents
are included:
balance restored to
the level of p+p in R=0.4

more differential



di-jet hadron
correlations

Di-jet hadron correlations

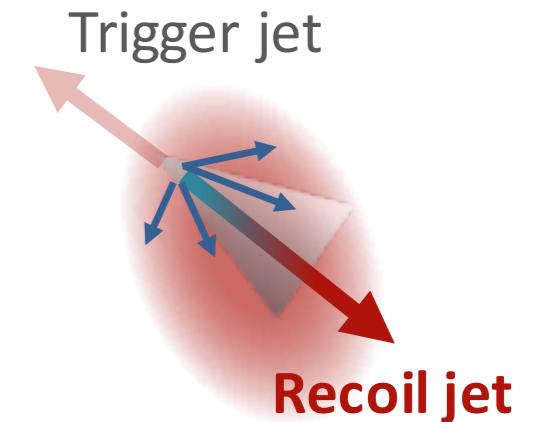
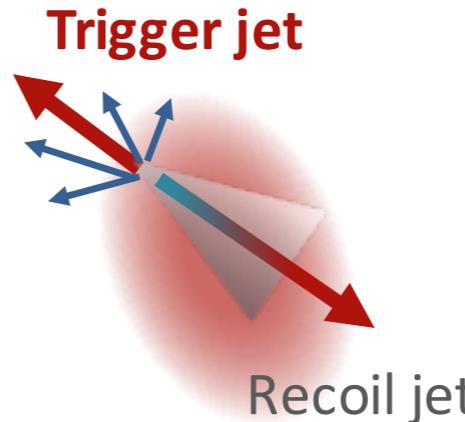
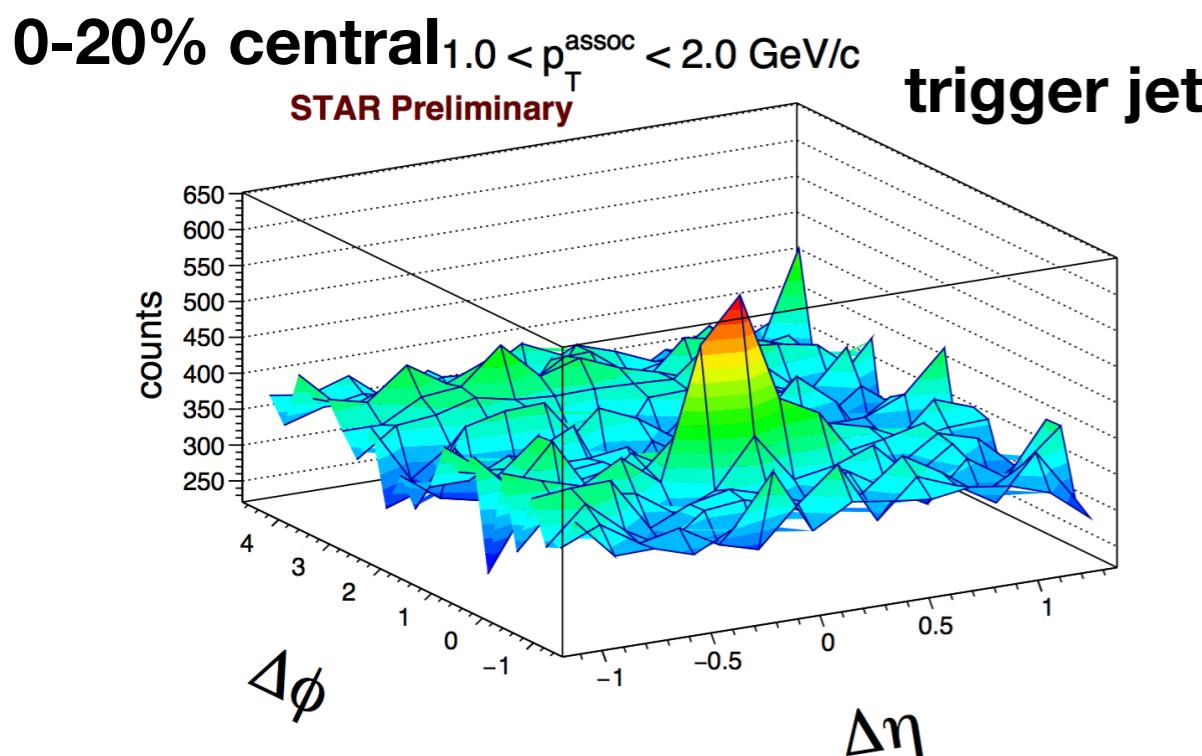
di-jet definition

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correlations

$$\Delta\eta = \eta^{\text{jet}} - \eta^{\text{track}}$$
$$\Delta\phi = \phi^{\text{jet}} - \phi^{\text{track}}$$

Au+Au



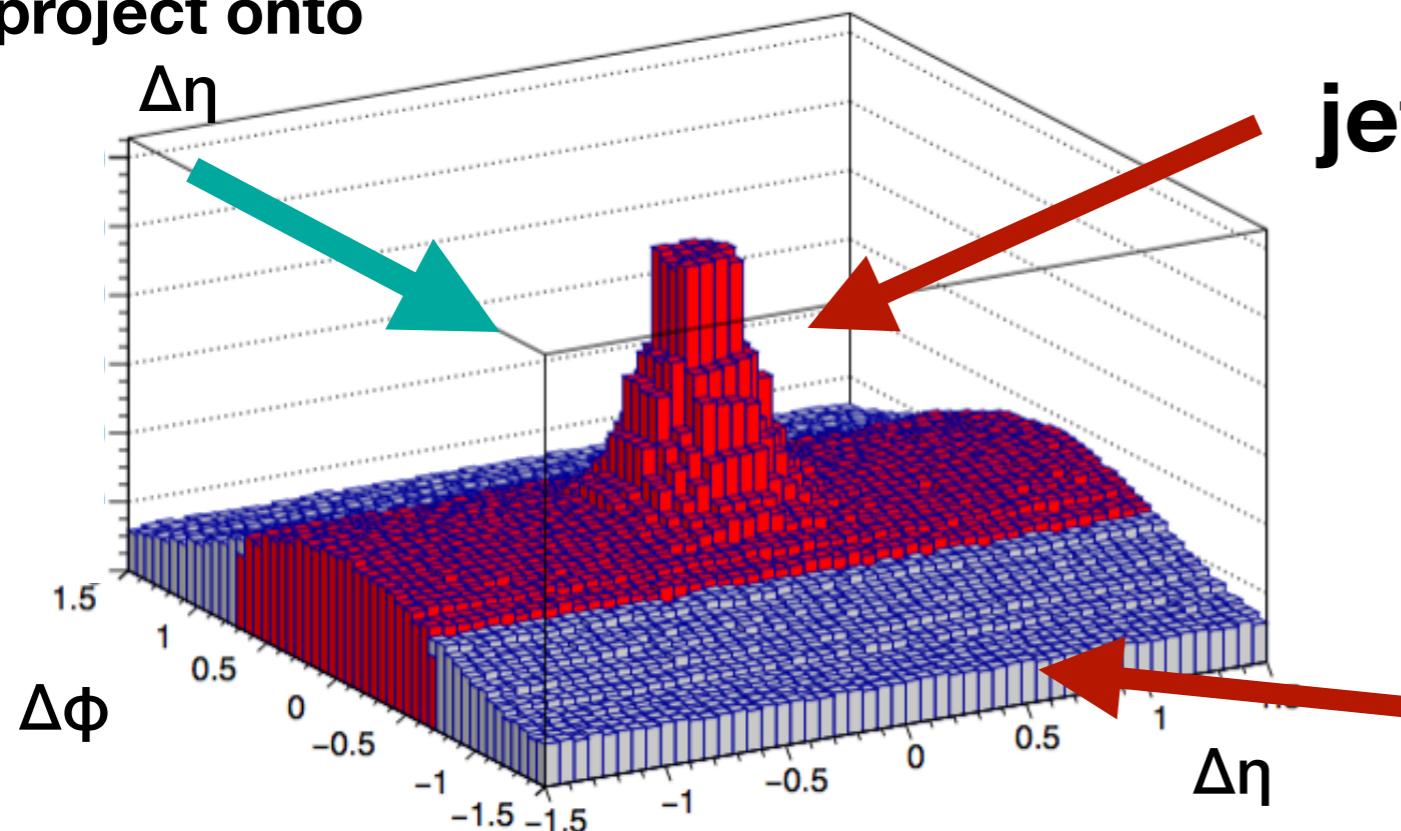
jetfinding → detector level
correlations & yields → particle level

systematic uncertainties

- tracking efficiency ($\pm 5\%$)
- relative jet energy scale
- relative tracking efficiency ($\pm 7\%$)
- relative tower energy scale ($\pm 2\%$)

Correlations in $\Delta\eta$

project onto



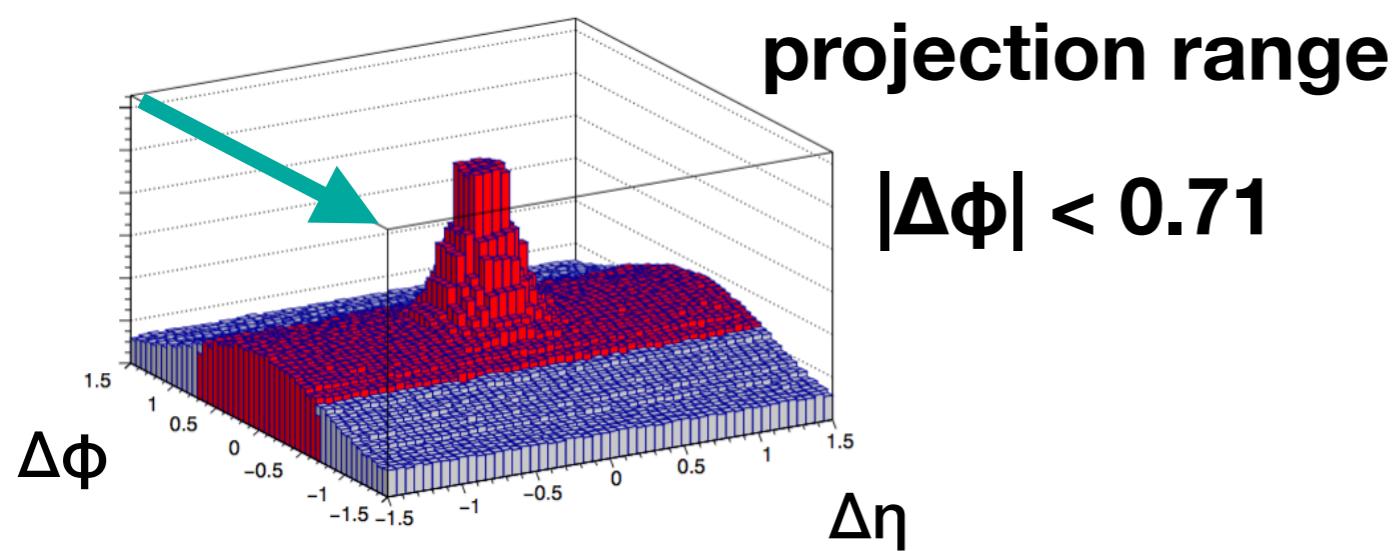
jet signal centered at (0,0)

underlying event

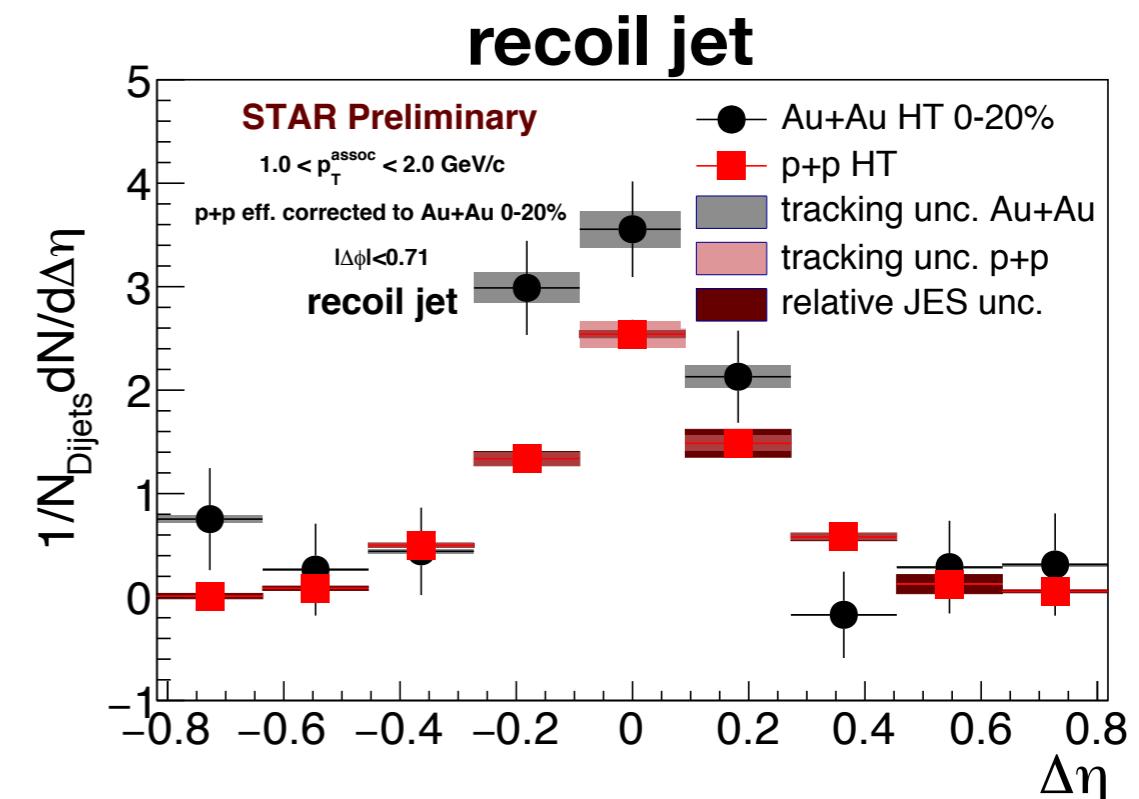
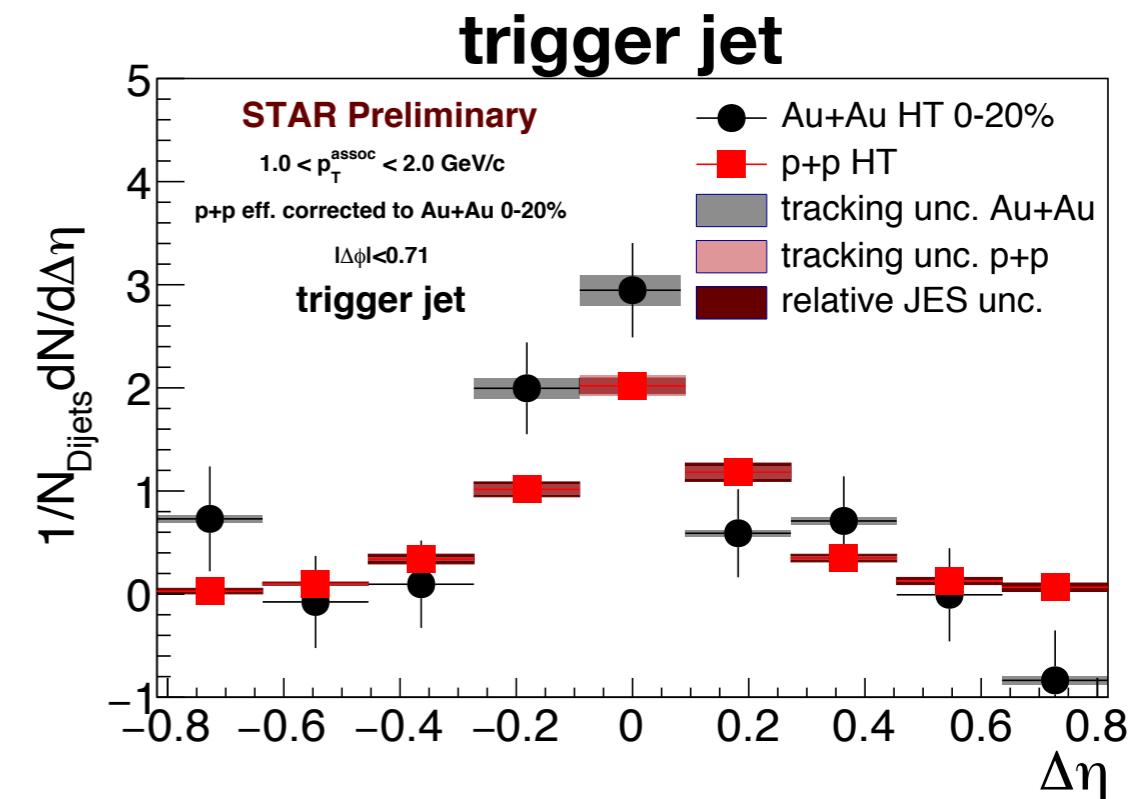
fit with a constant+gaussian
constant subtracted as
background

Correlations in $\Delta\eta$

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

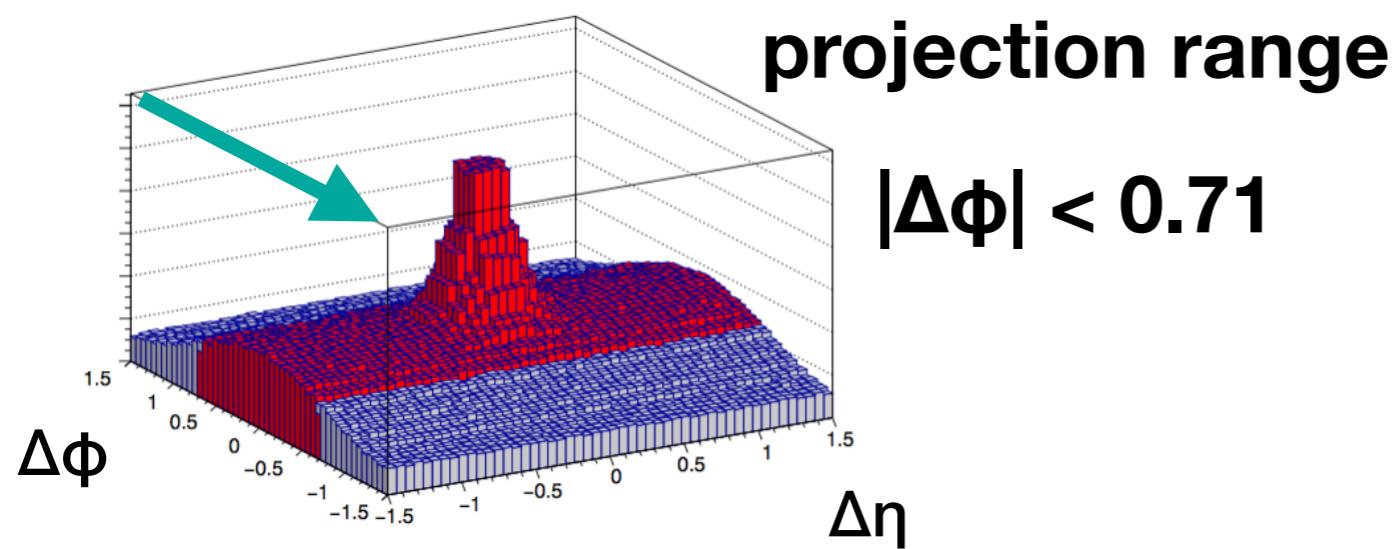


yield contained within
jet radius $R=0.4$

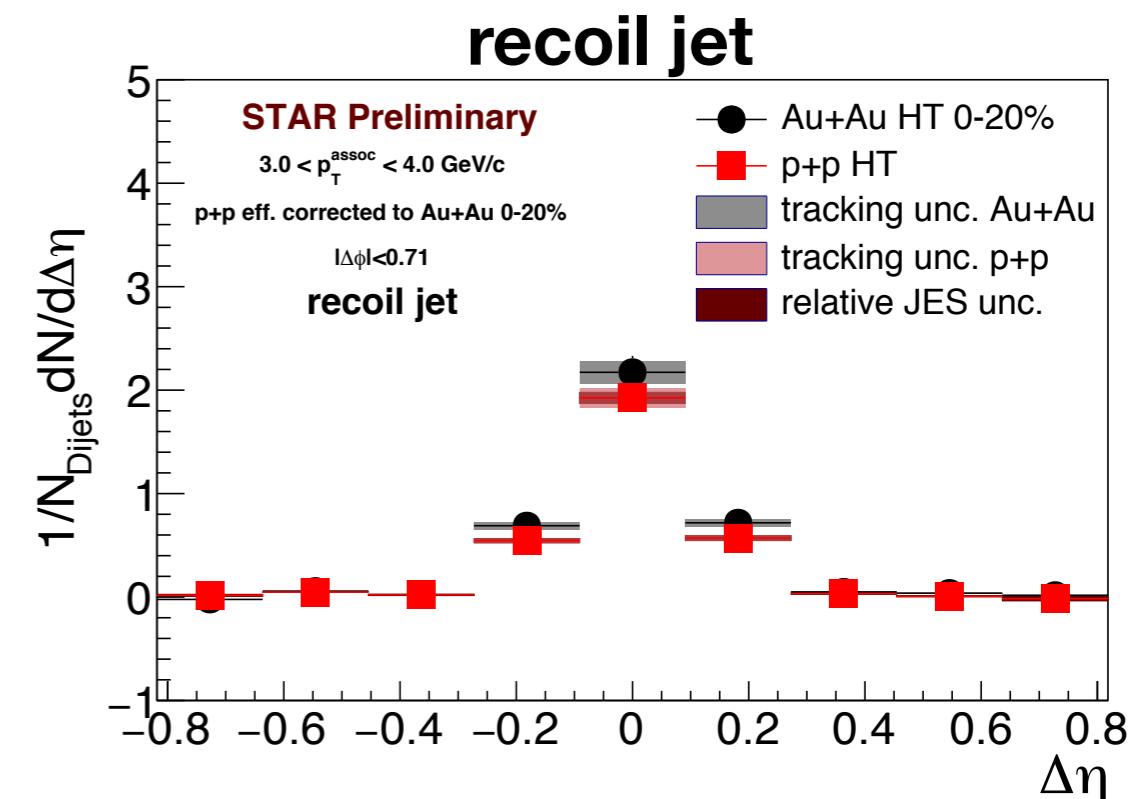
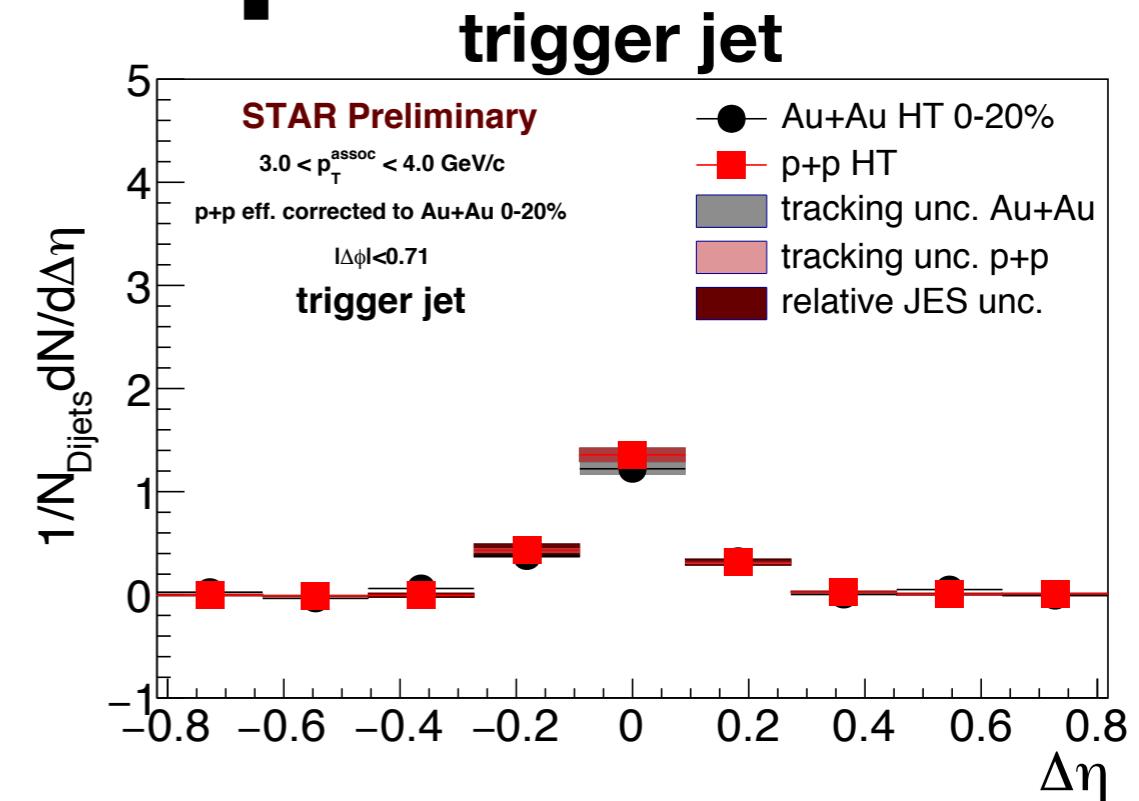


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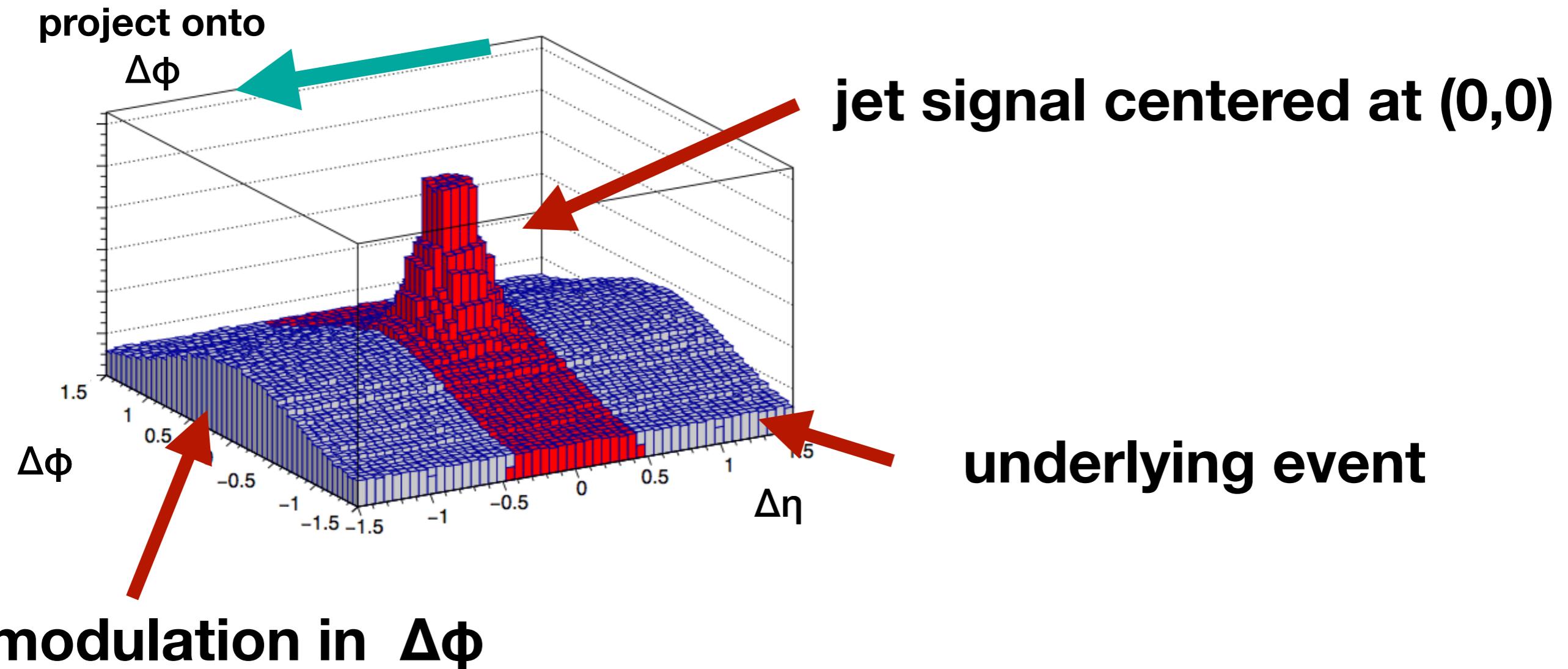
$3.0 < p_T^{\text{assoc}} < 4.0 \text{ GeV}/c$



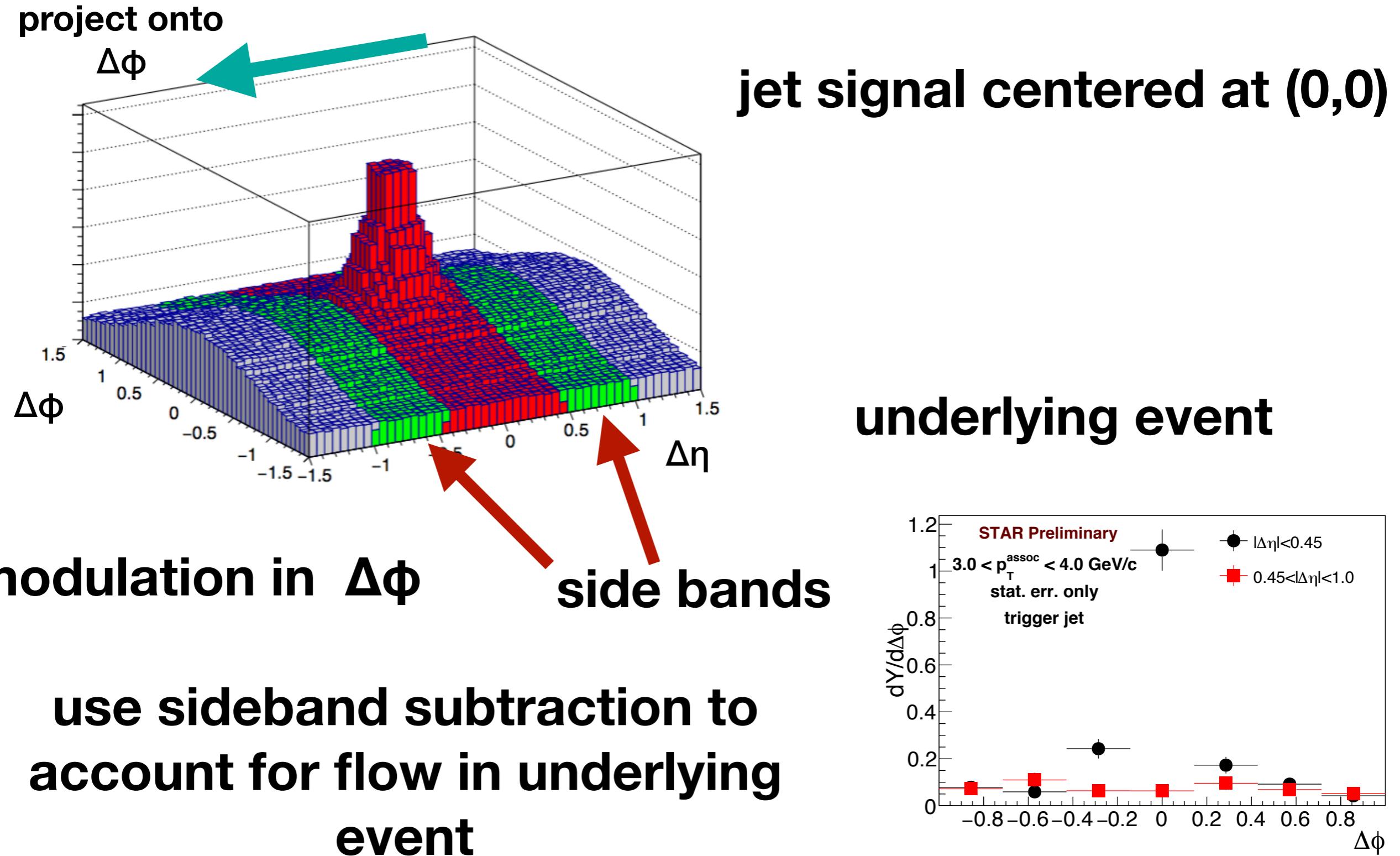
**yield contained within
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Correlations in $\Delta\phi$

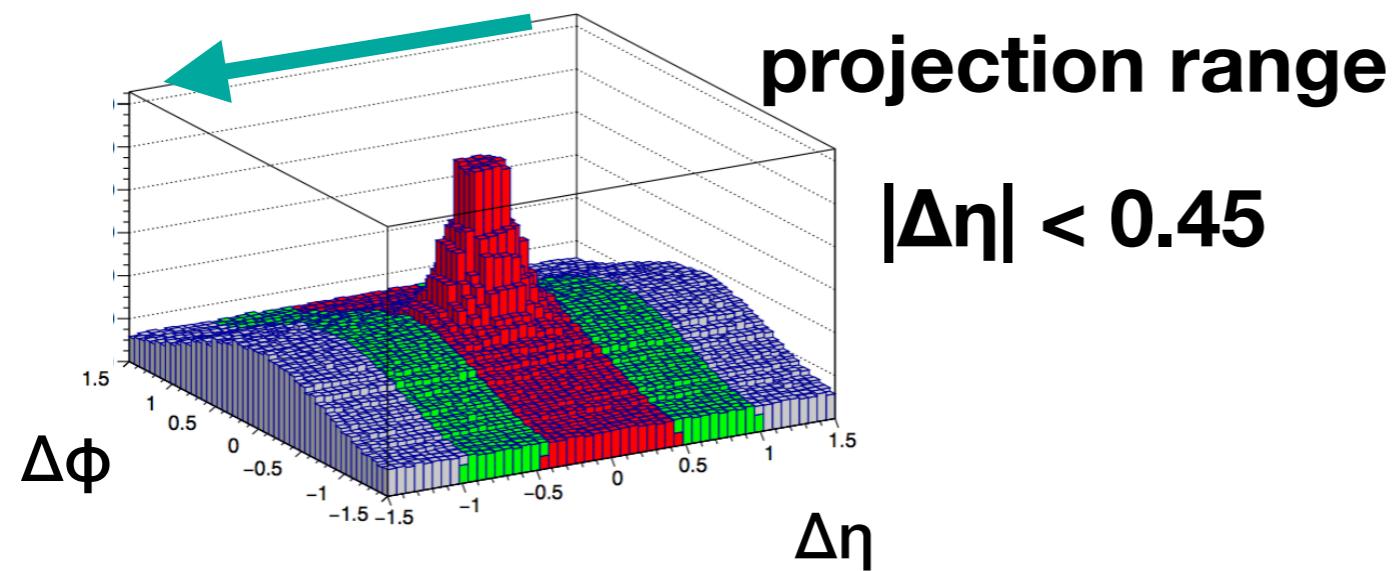


Correlations in $\Delta\phi$



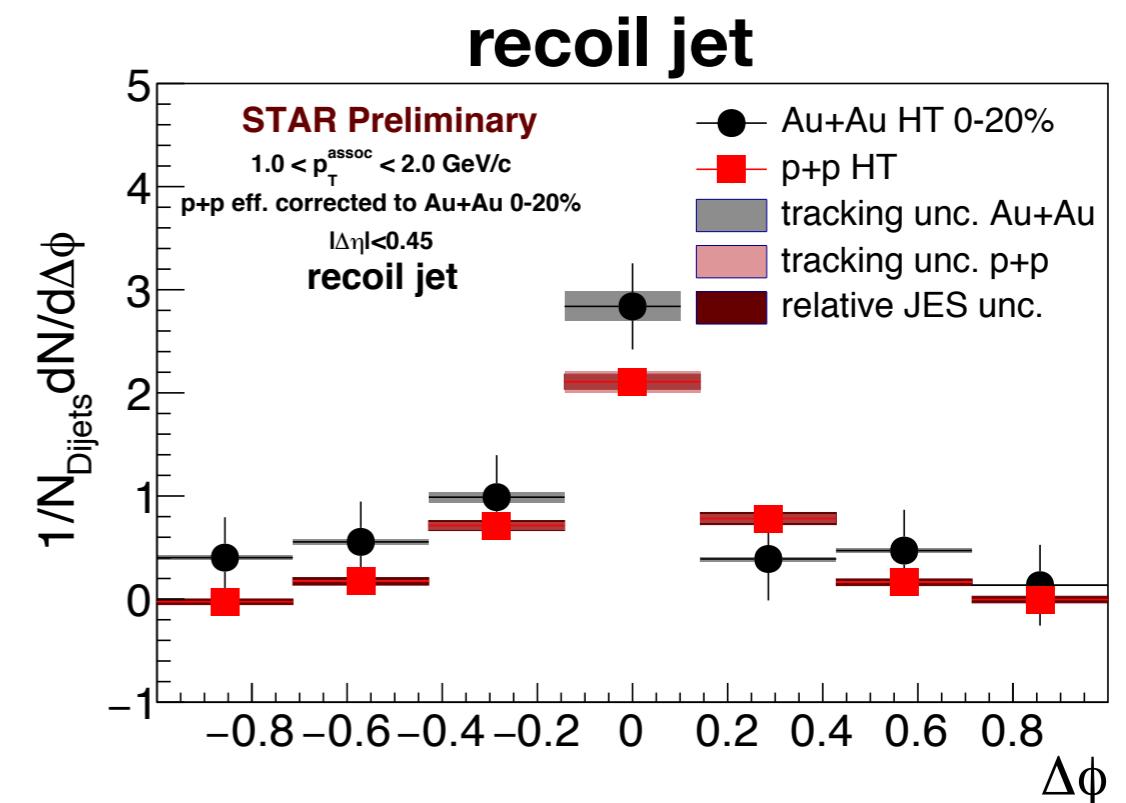
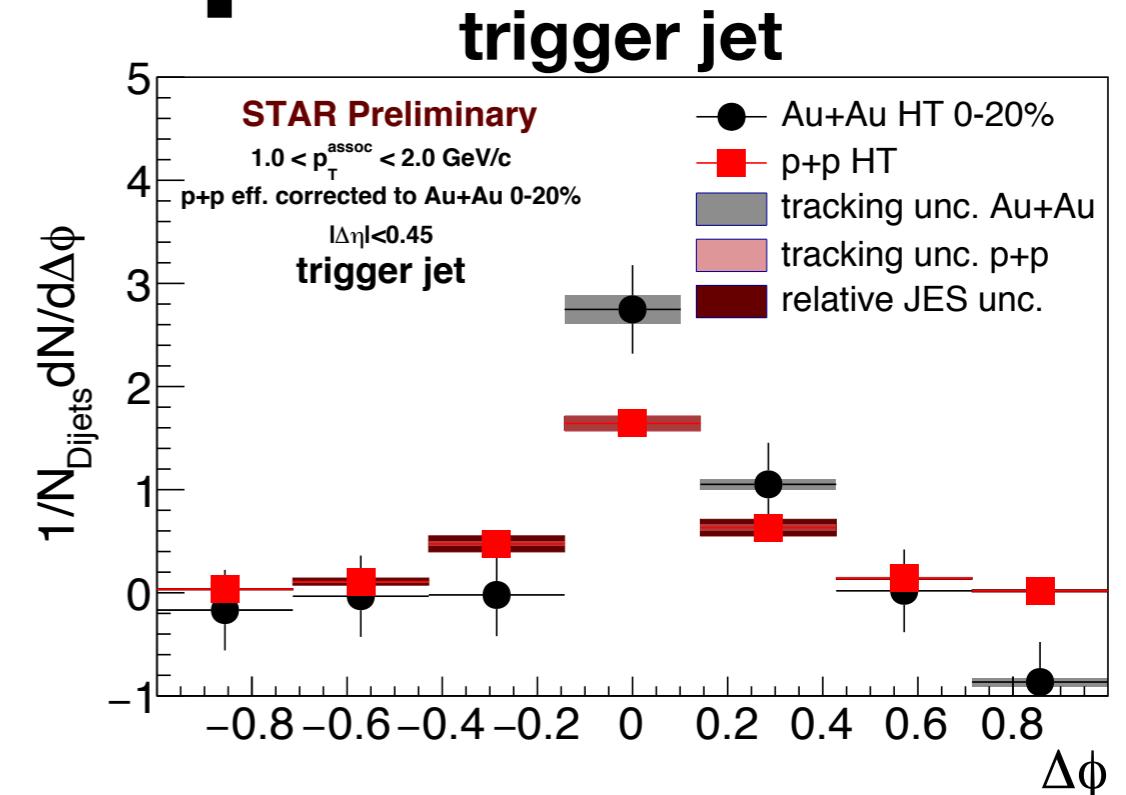
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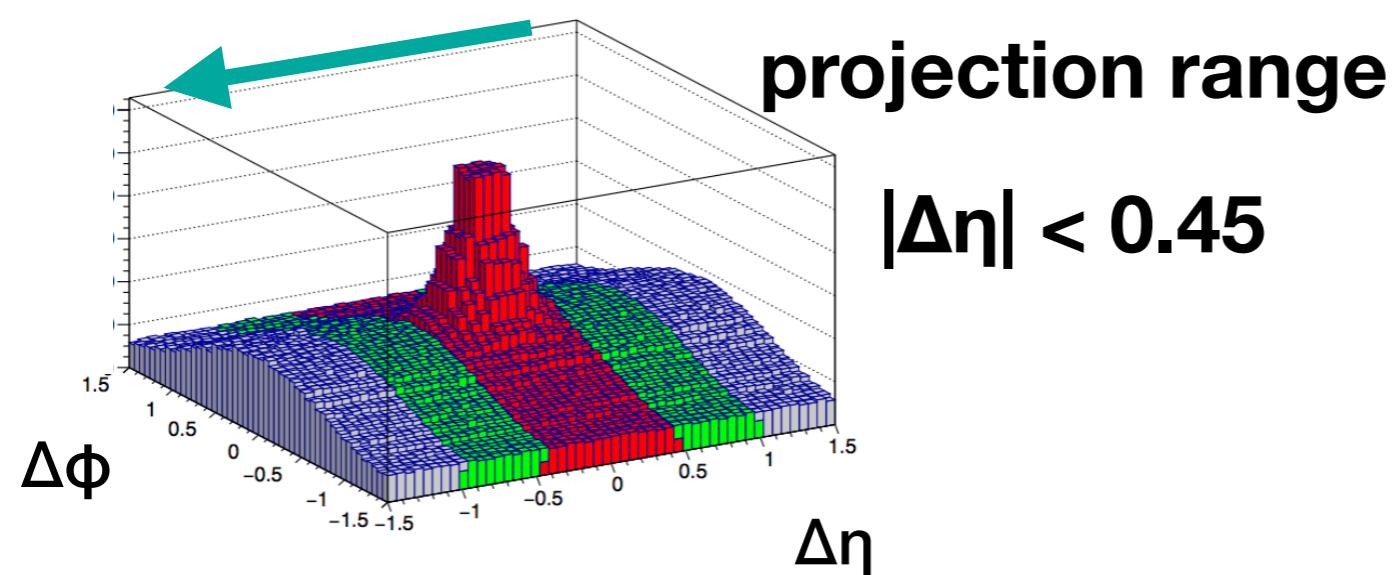
yield contained within
jet radius $R=0.4$

similar to $\Delta\eta$
~ circular jets



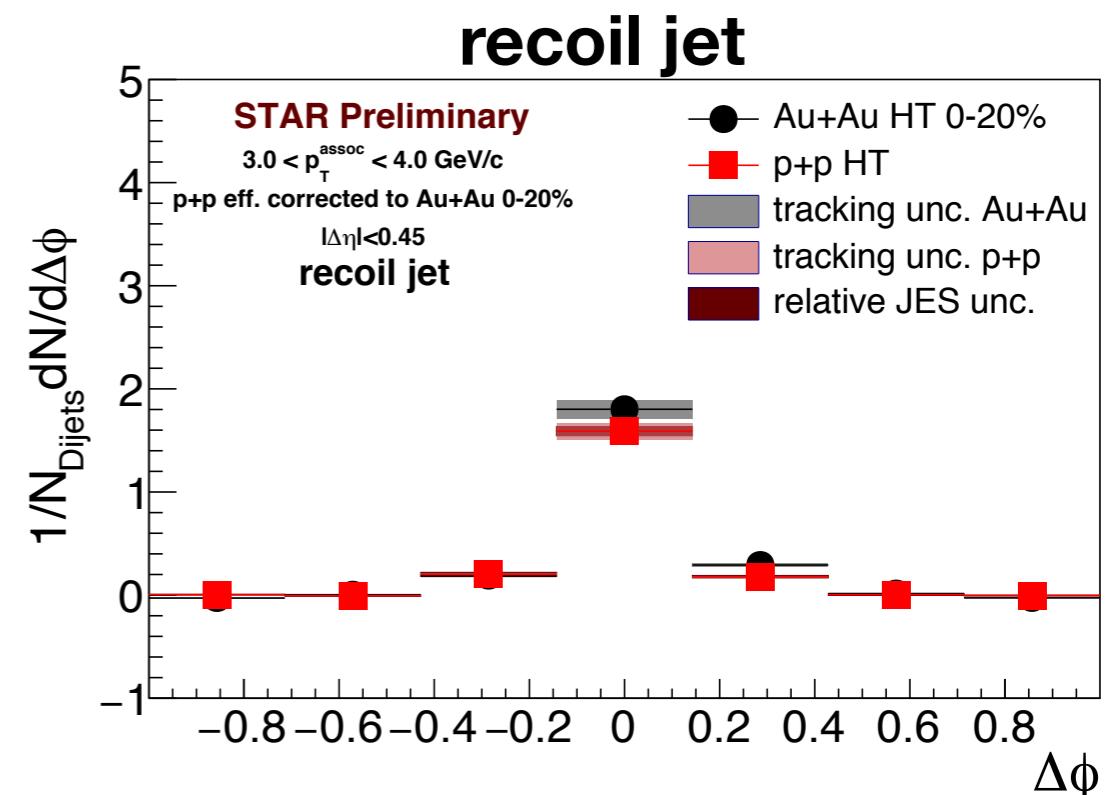
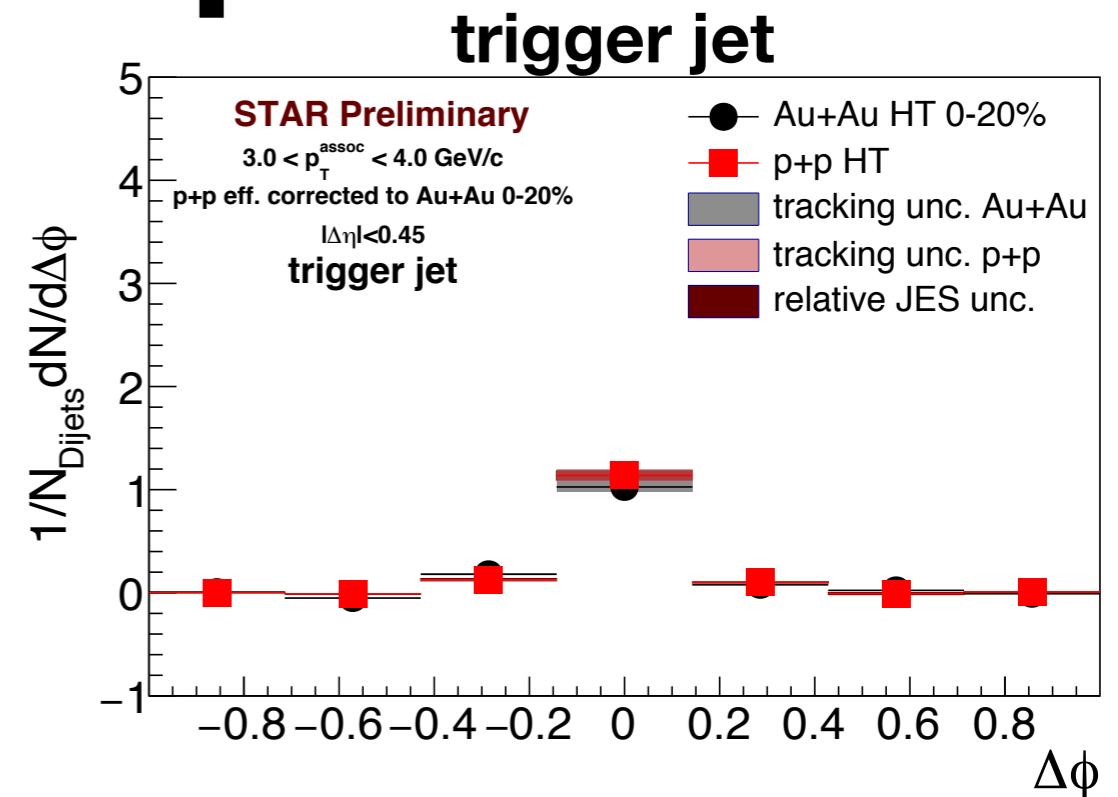
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Jet constituent Yields

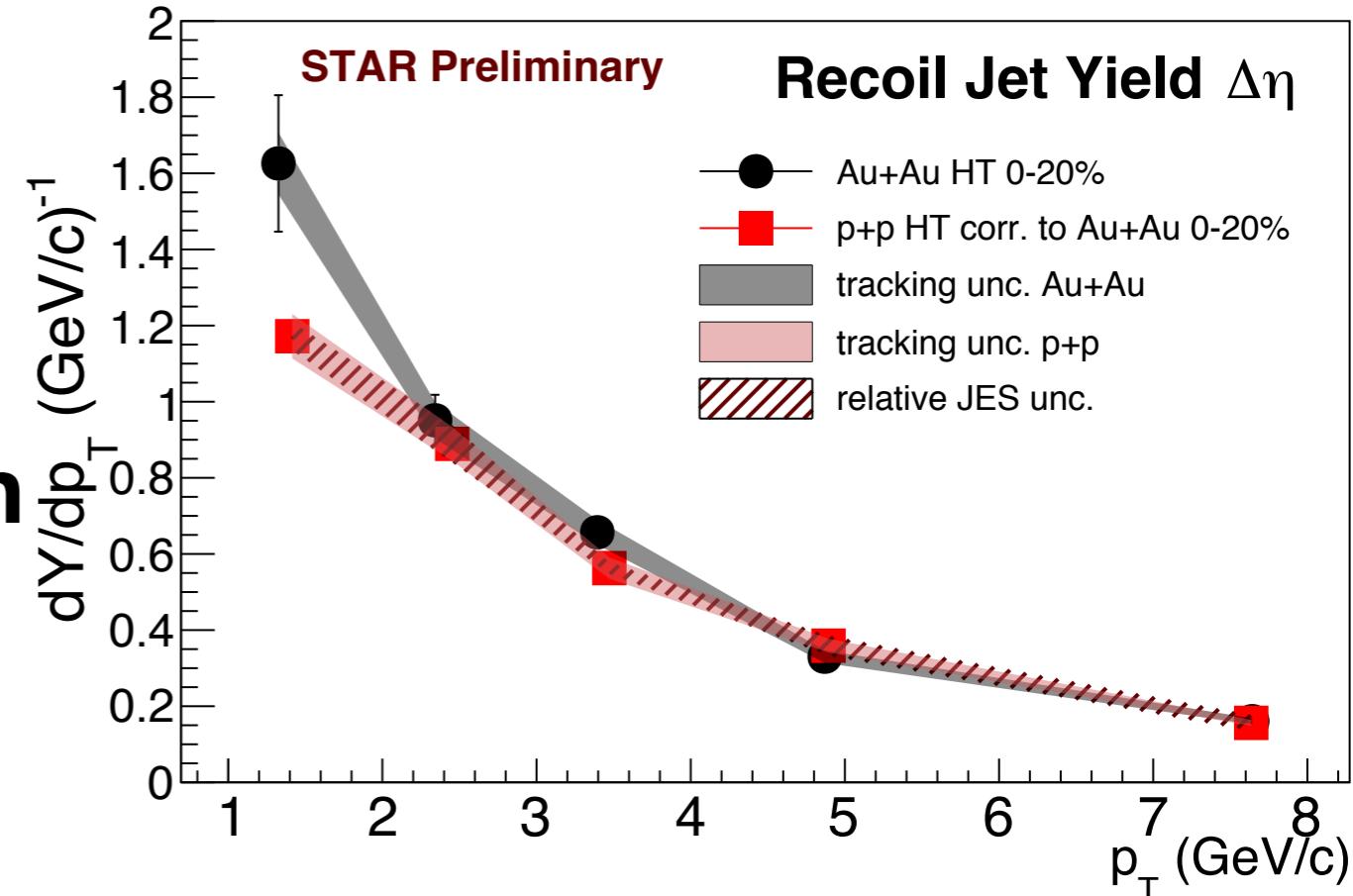
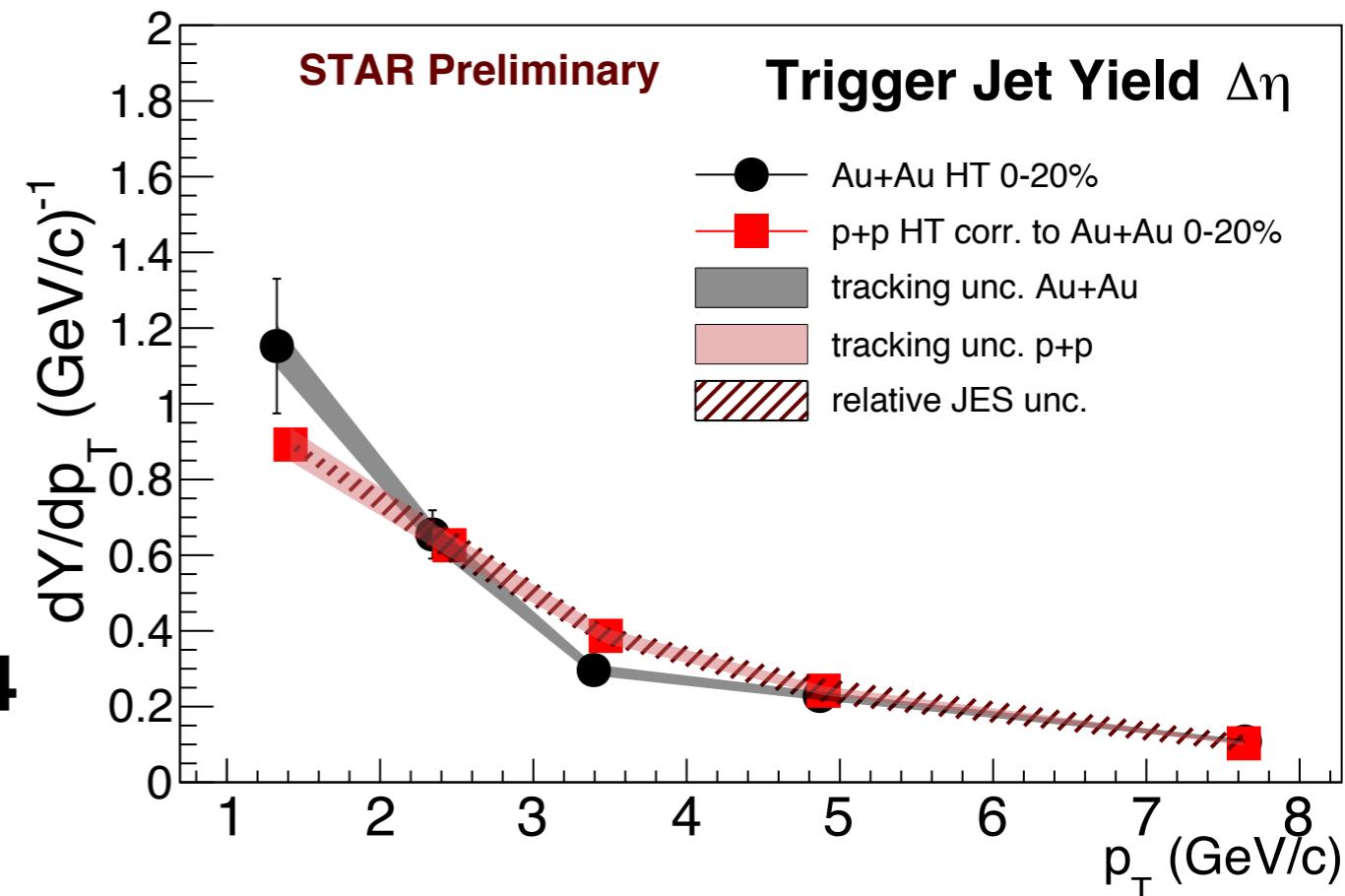
yields consistent between
 $\Delta\phi$ & $\Delta\eta$

→ yield contained within $R=0.4$

trigger jet: unmodified

→ "surface bias"

recoil jet: hint of modification
for $p_T^{\text{assoc}} < 2.0 \text{ GeV}/c$



Consistent with A_J ?

How is the energy distributed?

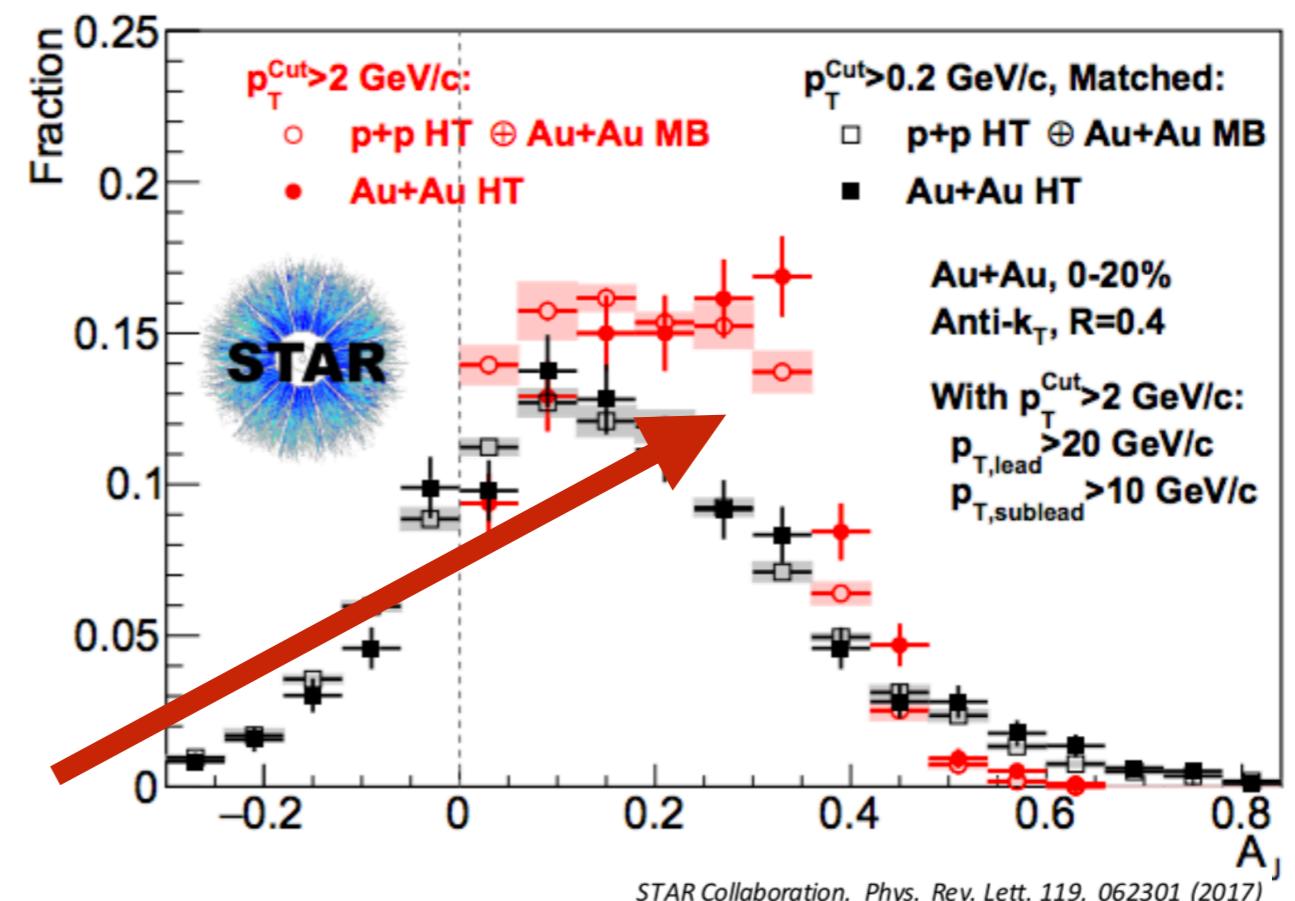
minimal modification
at high p_T for both trigger
& recoil jets

possible enhancement at
low p_T in recoil jet

A_J enhances sensitivity
to modification

effect is diluted in ensemble
measurements like
di-jet hadron correlations

Why a small effect?



Conclusions

“Hard-Core” di-jets at STAR:

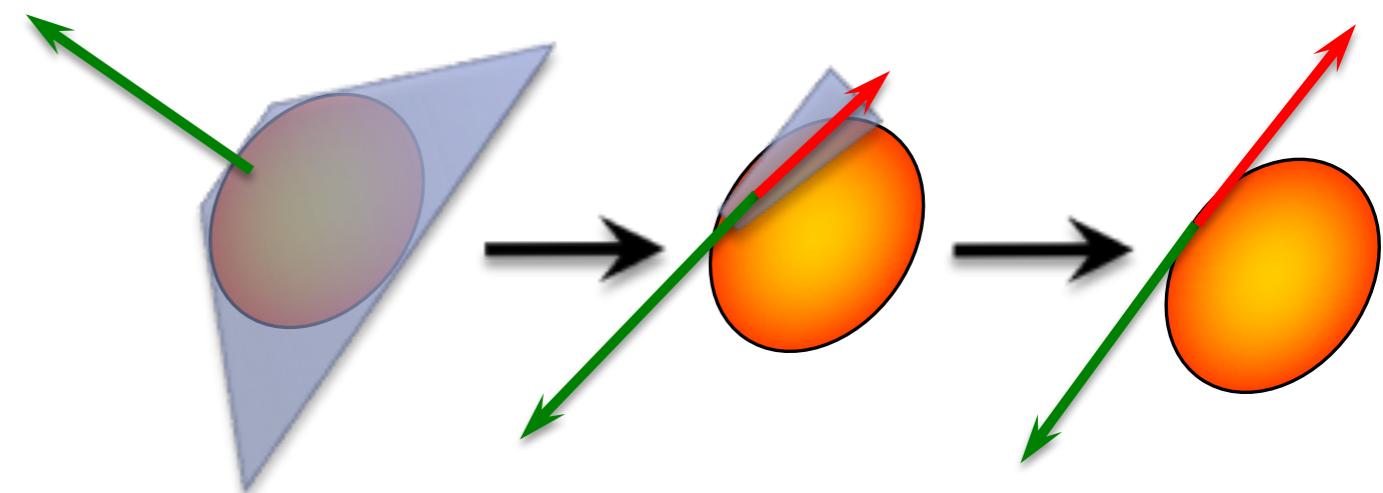
→ energy recovered within $R=0.4$

→ hint of modification of A_J jets on recoil side

towards the future:

large new data set

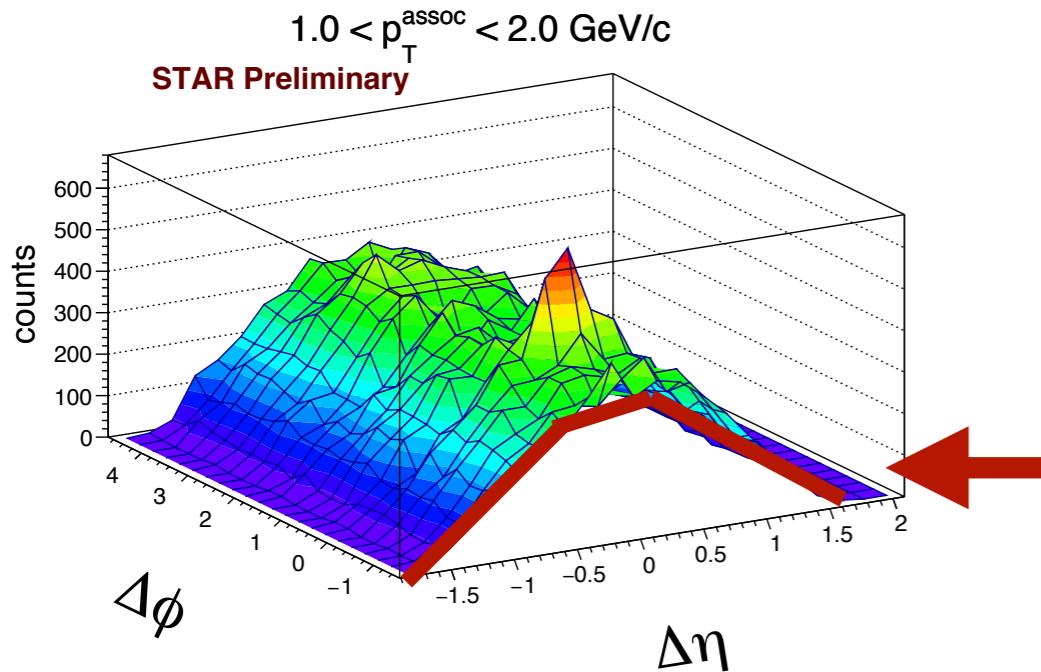
systematically explore
di-jet cuts to constrain
path length of jet in medium



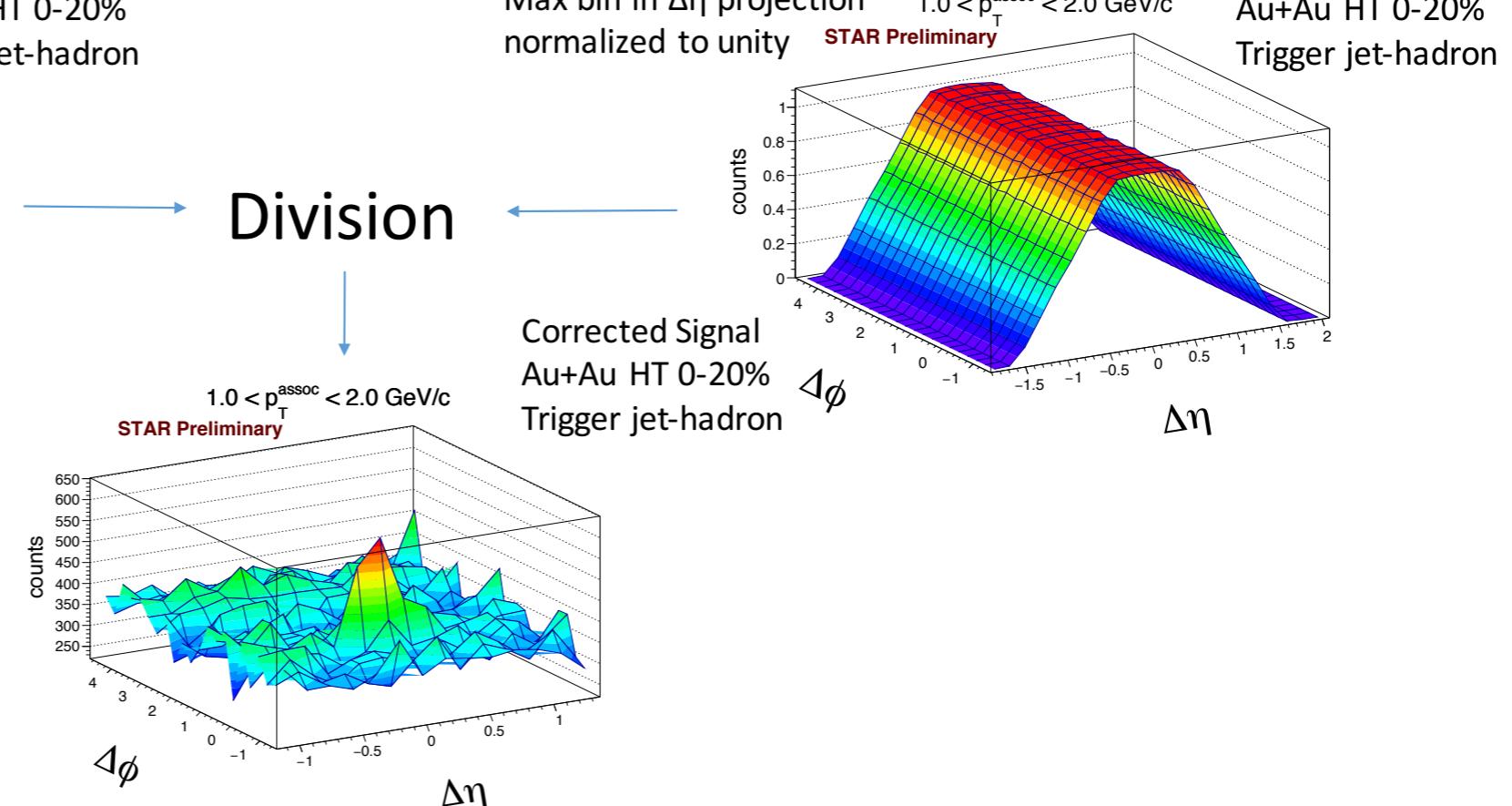
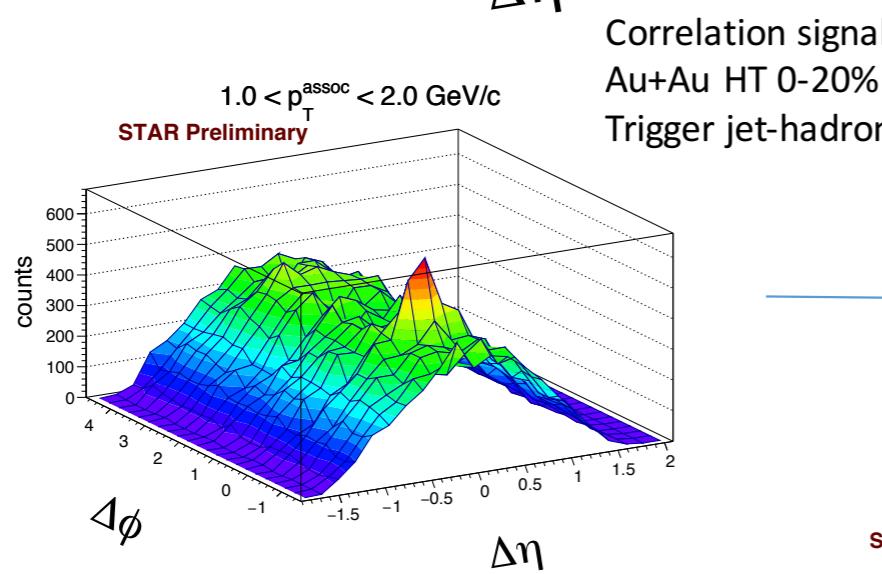
→ “jet geometry engineering”

Thank you :)

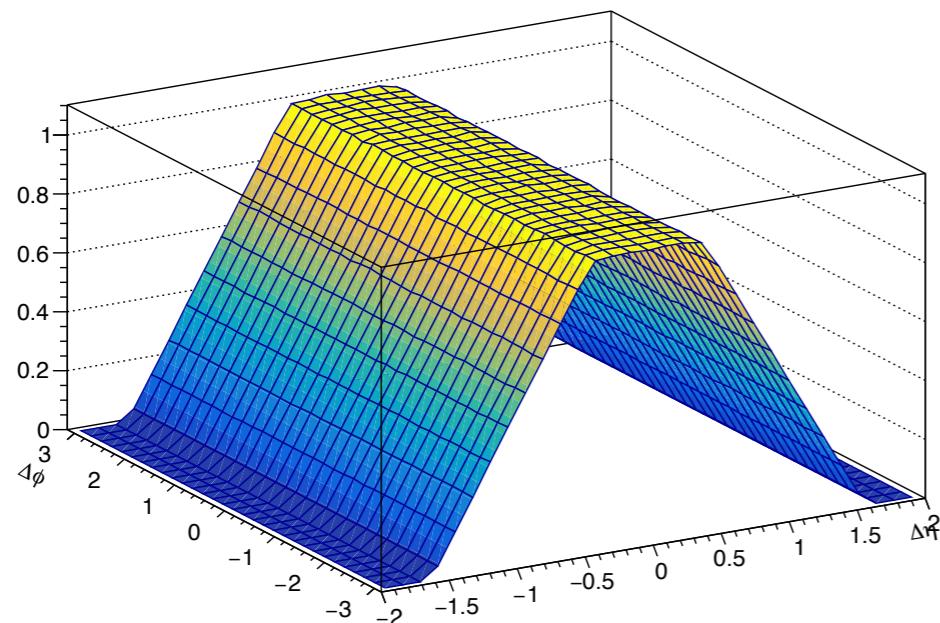
Event mixing



flattened triangle in signal
effect of pair acceptance



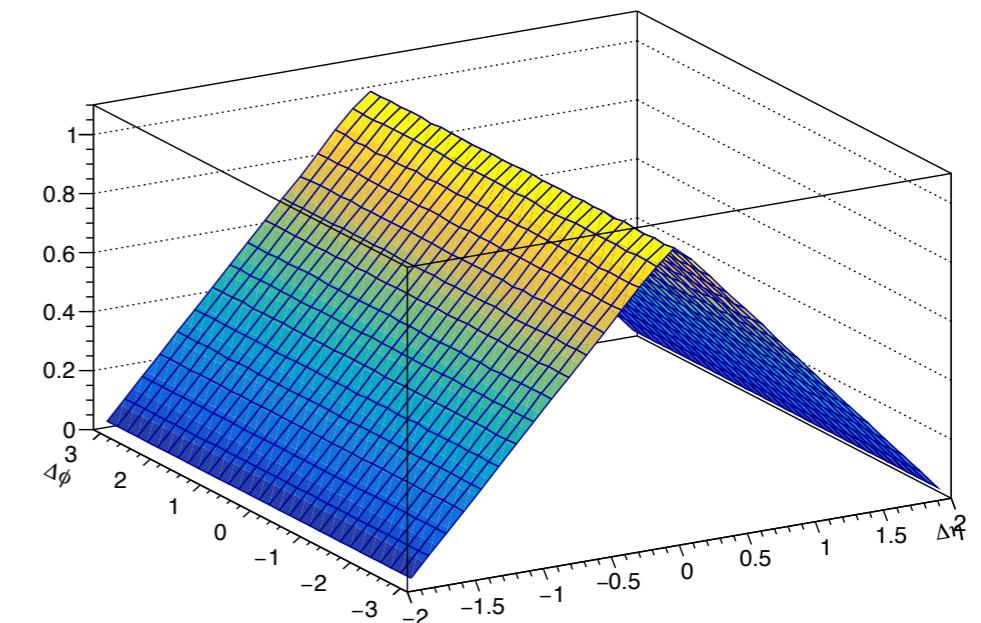
Event mixing



$|\eta^{\text{assoc}}| < 1.0$
 $|\eta^{\text{trigger}}| < 1.0 - R$

example:

**jet-hadron
event mixing**



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 $|\eta^{\text{trigger}}| < 1.0$

example:

**hadron-hadron
event mixing**