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Inclusive Spectrum of Fully Reconstructed Charged Jets in Central Au+Au Collisions at √s_{NN}=200 GeV by the STAR Collaboration



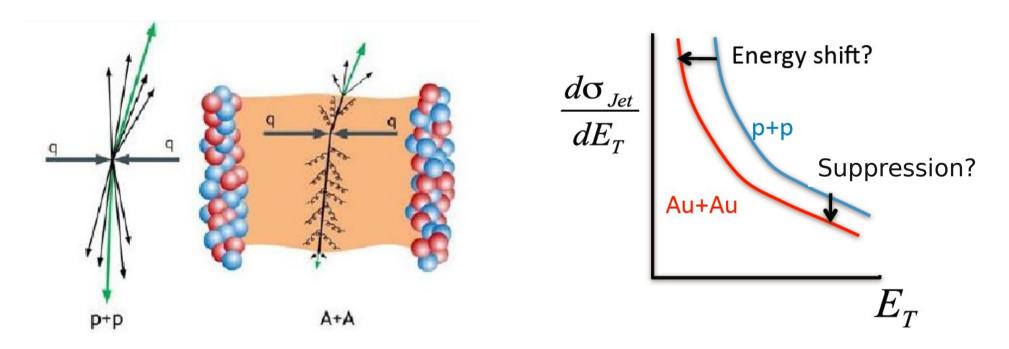
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Motivation: jets as a probe of nuclear matter

- jets are collimated sprays of hadrons created by fragmentation and hadronization of hard-scattered partons
- in heavy-ion collisions: probe of hot and dense nuclear matter
 jet quenching modification of fragmentation

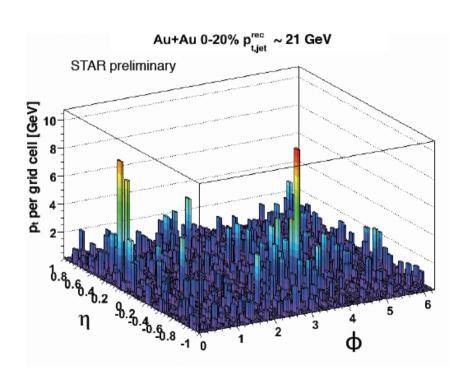


However: Jet reconstruction is an extremely challenging task in the high multiplicity environment and large and fluctuating background ...

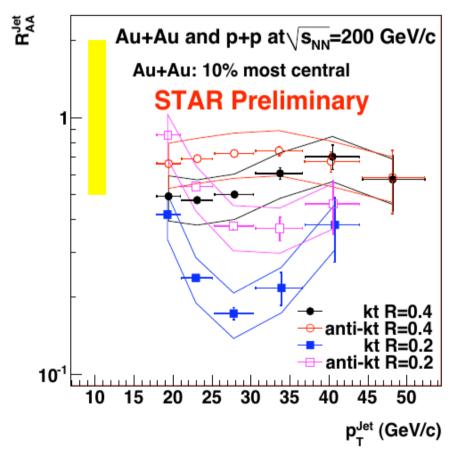
Full jet reconstruction in Au+Au collisions at STAR

Early Quark Matter '09 results on Run 7 Au+Au data at 200 GeV

- limited statistics, new methods developed since then

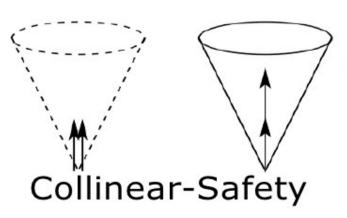


Full jet R_{AA}



Jet tomography in A+A collisions: requirements

- well defined and transparent selection of jet population
 - understand what biases we impose
- direct comparison to theory
 - jet distributions corrected for background and instrumental effects to particle level
- same approach and algorithms at RHIC and LHC over the full jet kinematic range: $p_T^{\text{jet}} > \sim 15 \text{ GeV/c}$
 - to achieve a well controlled energy evolution of quenching
- collinear safety as close as possible, low infrared (IR) cutoff:
 - no background suppression via cutson jet constituents
- Caveat! Detector response also imposes infrared cutoffs



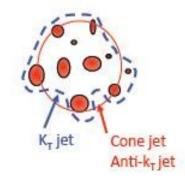
Jet Reconstruction

reconstructed jet (jet candidate) = output of the jet reconstruction algorithm

FASTJET [Eur.Phys.J. C72 (2012) 1896]

- implements fast IR and collinear safe algorithms
- sequential clustering algorithms: kT, anti-kT
 - cluster hadrons into jet objects over a range specified by parameter R
 - in our analysis: R=0.2, 0.3, 0.4

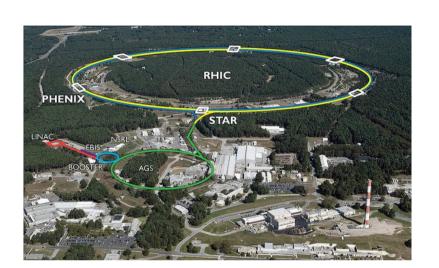
Clustering:



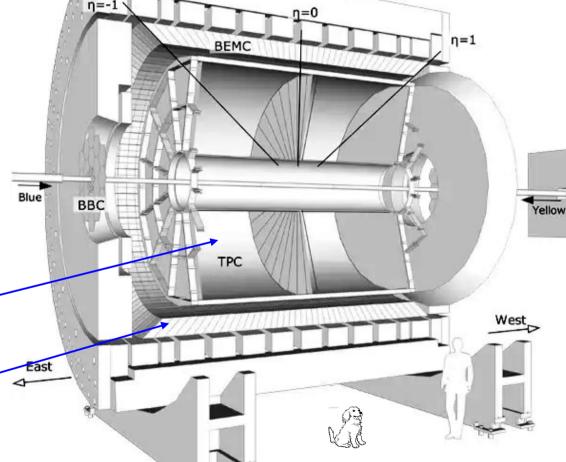
Where $\alpha = 2$ for kT and -2 for anti-kT

STAR Detector

Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider (RHIC)



Solenoidal Tracker at RHIC (STAR)



Time Projection Chamber

Barrel Electromagnetic Calorimeter

full azimuthal coverage pseudo-rapidity coverage: -1<η<1

Data Sample and Charged Jet Analysis

Data set:

- RHIC Run11 data
- Au+Au @ √s_{NN}=200 GeV
- 10% most central Au+Au collisions from minimum bias (MB) trigger
- Integrated luminosity ~ 60µb⁻¹
 (15% of total production of Run11 data)

Event selection:

• |z(vertex)|<30cm

Charged track selection:

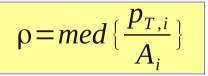
- reconstructed in TPC
- DCA < 1cm
- Number of fit hits > 20
- # of fit hits/# of max. available > 0.55

Jet reconstruction:

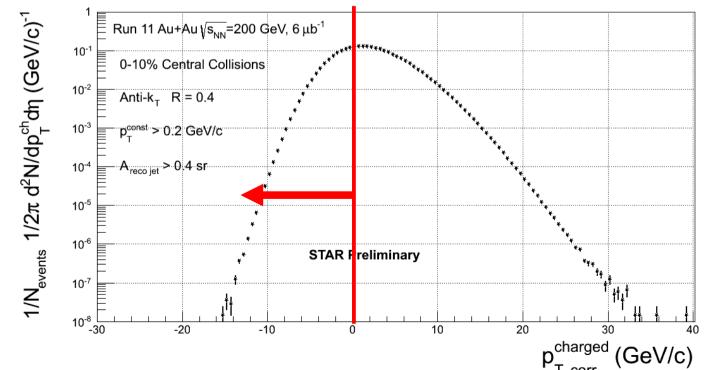
- Charged jets
- anti- k_{T} jet reconstruction algorithm resolution parameter: R=0.2, 0.3, 0.4
- very low IR cutoff:
 p_T(constituent) > 0.2 GeV/c
- jet active area: A > 0.4 Sr (R=0.4)
 A > 0.2 Sr (R=0.3)
 A > 0.09 Sr (R=0.2)
- fiducial jet acceptance: |η|<1-R

Heavy Ion Jet Reconstruction

- take all jets in acceptance
- Jet candidates: reconstructed using anti-kT algorithm
- jet area A: Fastjet definition
- bckd. energy density calculated event-wise (kT):
 (hard jets not discarded for the calculation)
- distribution corrected for bckd. energy density:



$$p_{T,corr} = p_T - A_{jet} \times \rho$$



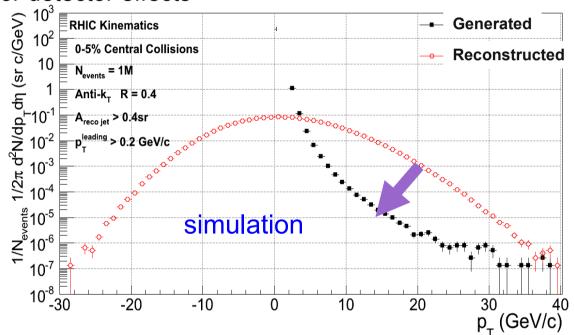
~half of the jet candidates have negative $p_{_{\rm T}}^{\rm corr}$

we don't discard them (for now)

contain crucial information about background

Unfolding of Measured Spectra

- Undo the effects of smearing on hard jet spectrum
- In order to compare measured data directly with theory
- Correction for BG fluctuations
- Correction for detector effects



- "Inversion" of response matrix => unfolding matrix
- We use iterative method based on Bayes' theorem [G. D'Agostini, arXiv:1010.0632]
- Singular Value Decomposition (SVD) unfolding used to validate Bayesian for background fluctuations. Full unfolding with SVD in progress [Nucl.Inst.Meth.A372:469-481,1996]

Toward the Inclusive Jet Spectrum

Stable unfolding of inclusive jet spectrum:

need to reduce the combinatorial background prior to unfolding

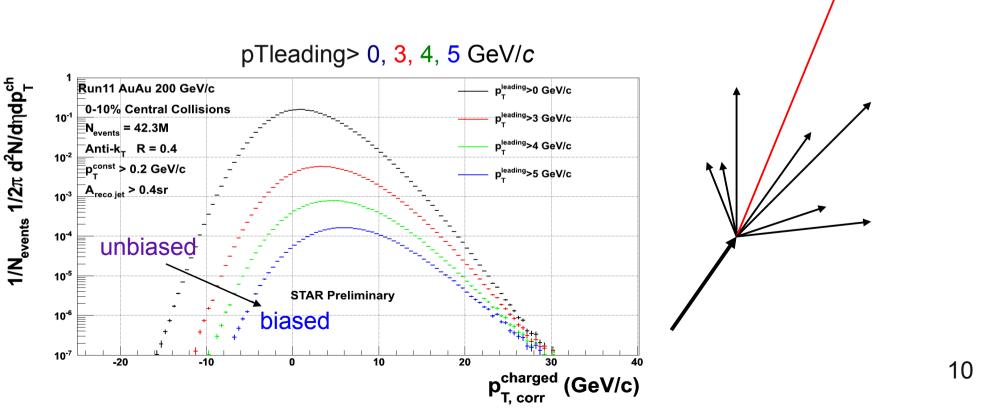
[G. de Barros et al, Hard Probes 2012, arXiv:1208.1518v2]

Combinatorial background is reduced by pT cut on jet's leading hadron

leading hadron

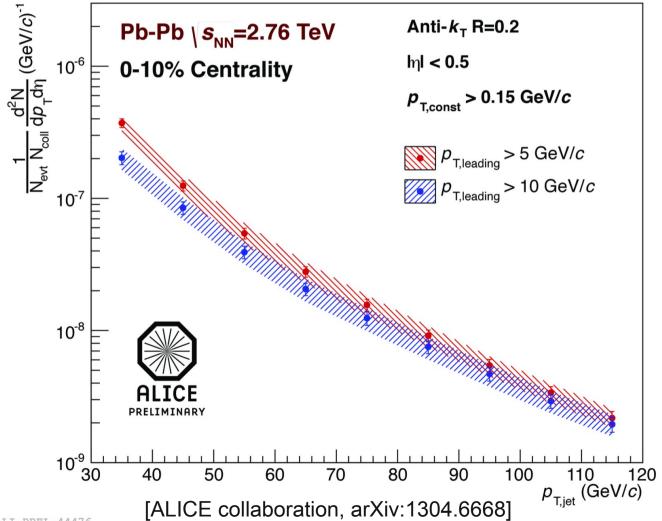
Large fraction of jet energy can be carried by soft radiation

May be important for jet quenching measurements



Methodology

- Method has been successfully used by ALICE collaboration
- We have tested the method on toymodel and now we are applying the same method to STAR data



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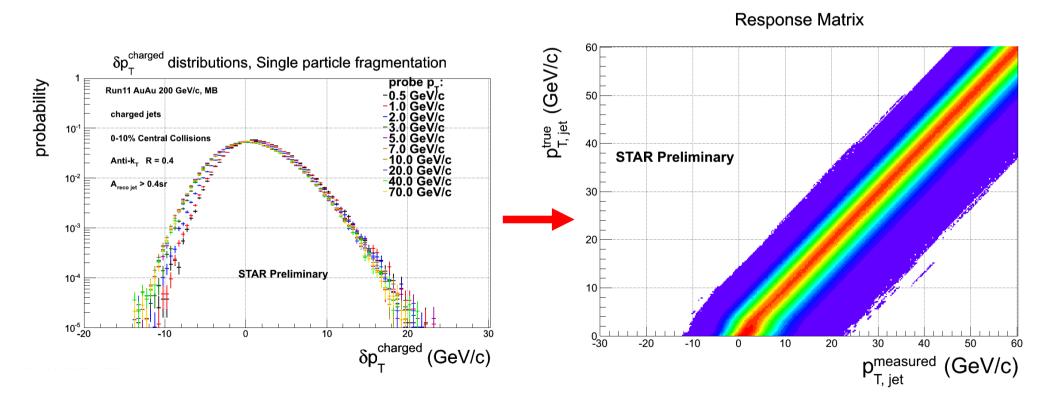
Response of jet to soft background: $\delta(p_T)$ distribution

embedding of a simulated jet into an event => jet reconstruction

$$\delta p_T = p_{T,corr} - p_{T,emb} = p_T - A_{jet} \times \rho - p_{T,emb} \qquad \rho \sim 29 \text{ GeV/Sr, } A_{R=0.4} \sim 0.5 \text{ Sr}$$

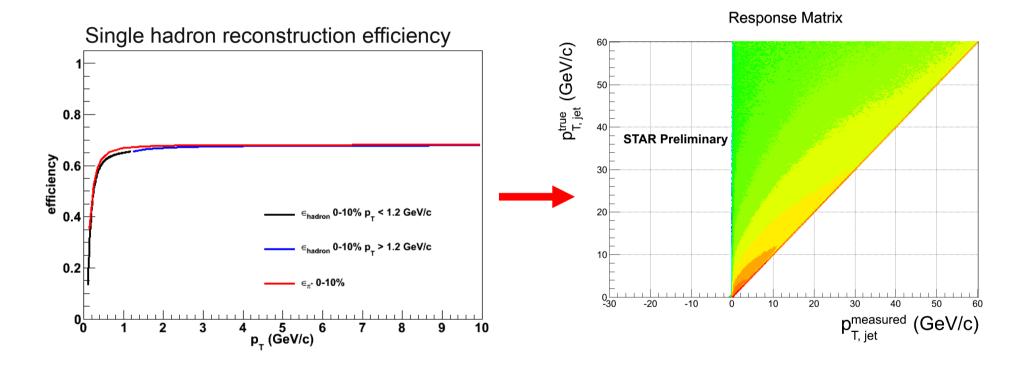
$$o \sim 29 \text{ GeV/Sr}, A_{R=0.4} \sim 0.5 \text{ Sr}$$

ensemble-averaged $\delta(p_T)$ distribution => determination of the response matrix



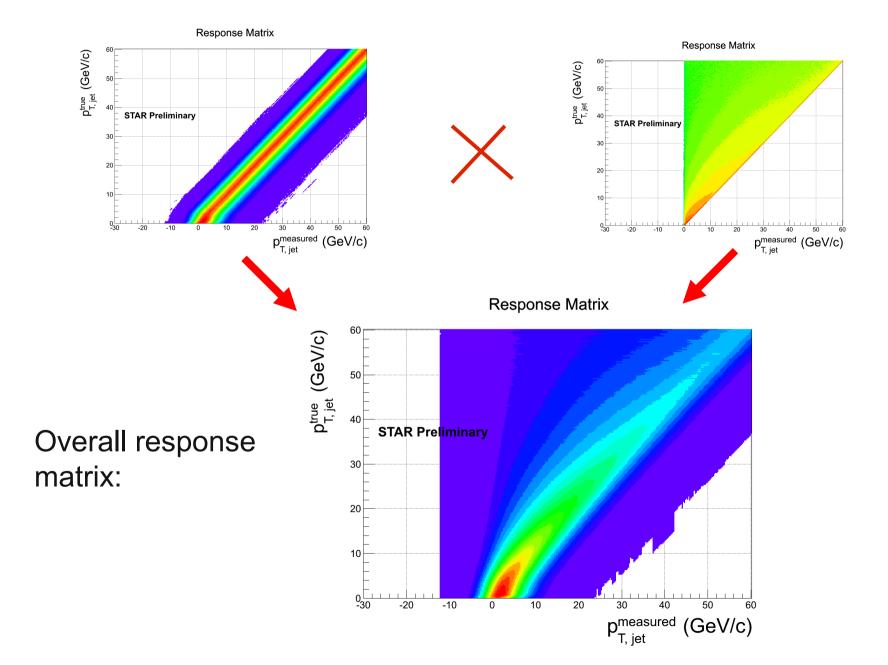
Response of jet due to detector efficiency

- detector response: dominated by tracking efficiency
- we utilize PYTHIA jets (to do: other fragmentation models)

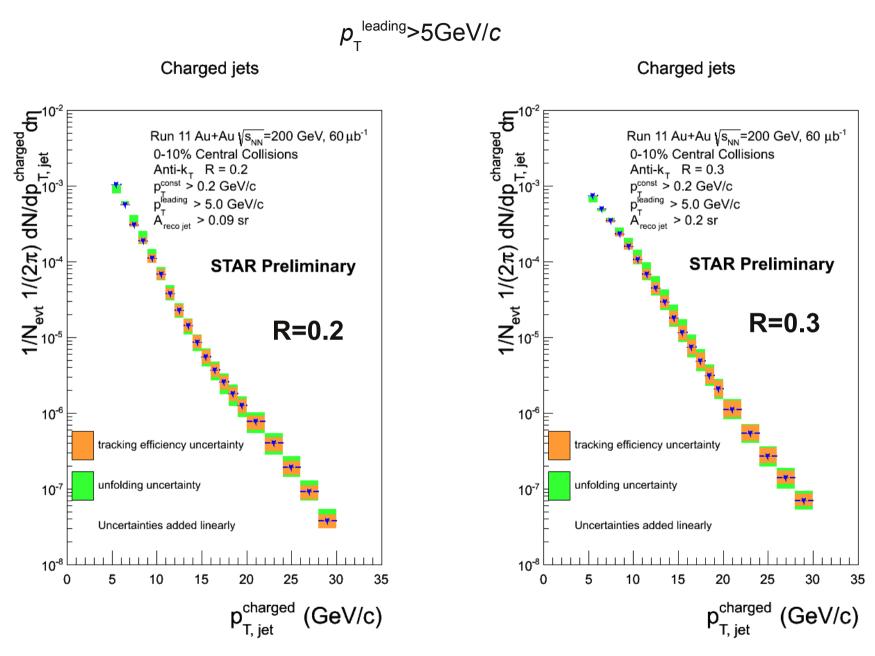


tracking efficiency: ~5% uncertainty

Response of jet to soft background and detector efficiency

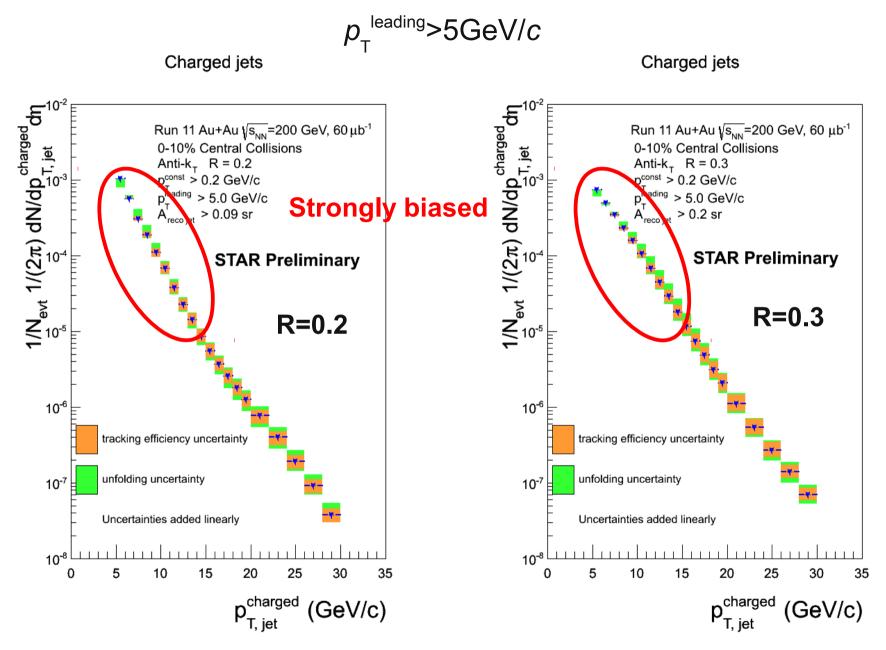


Corrected Spectra



Jet energy scale resolution: ~5% (due to tracking efficiency uncertainty)

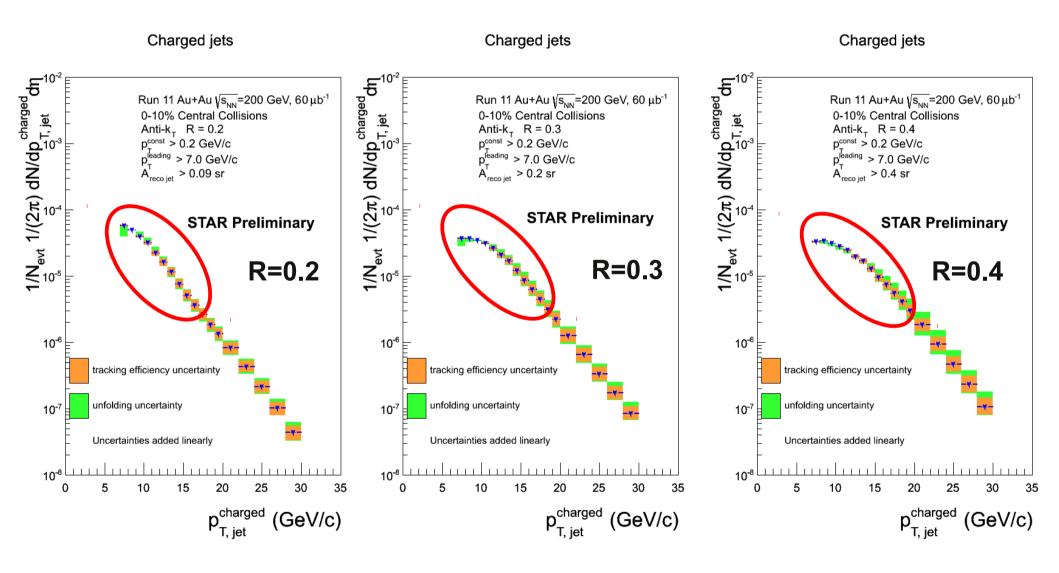
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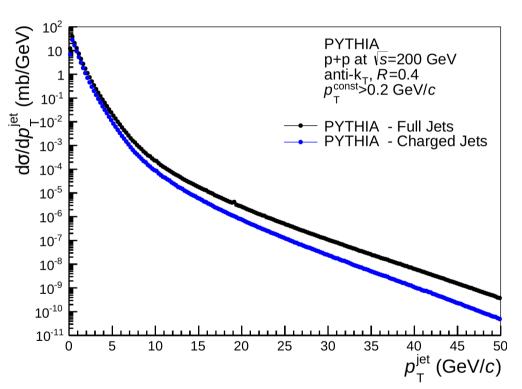
Corrected Spectra

$p_{_{\rm T}}^{_{\rm leading}} > 7 {\rm GeV}/c$

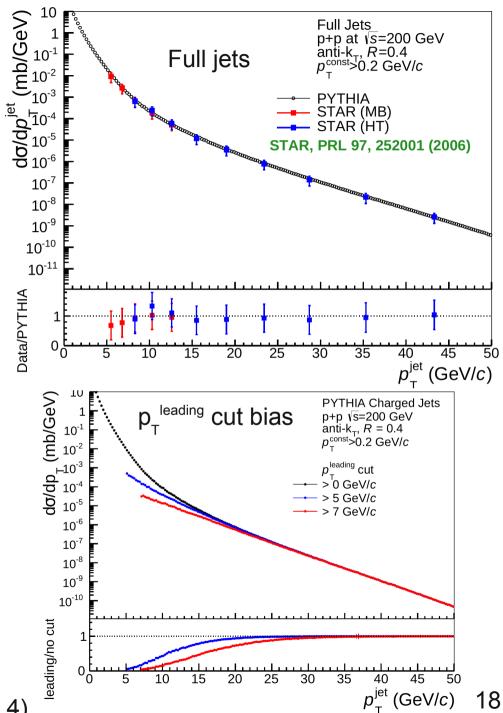


p+p reference

 Pythia 6.4 - Tune A used as p+p reference agrees well with STAR p+p data (for full jets)

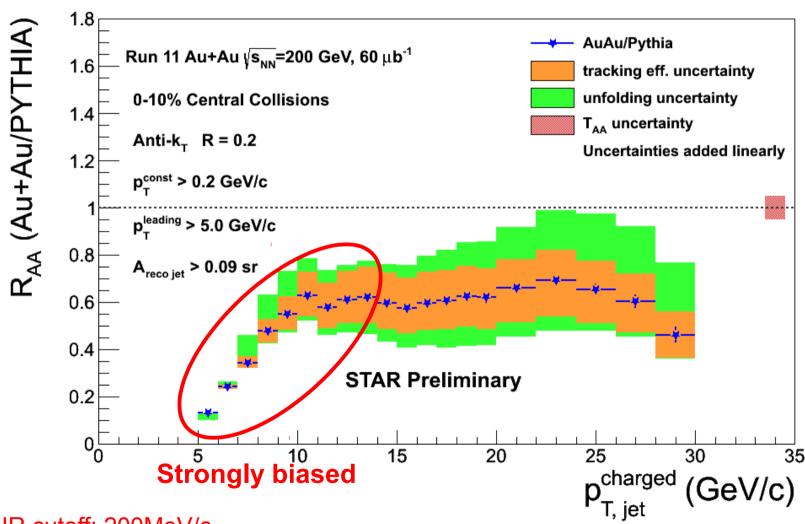


- Pythia: full jets → charged jets (accept only final particles which are charged)
- $p_T^{leading}$ bias up to 3-4x $p_T^{leading}$ (R=0.2 0.4)



$$R=0.2$$
, $p_{T}^{leading}>5$ GeV/ c

Charged jets

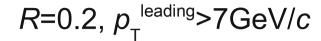


IR cutoff: 200MeV/c

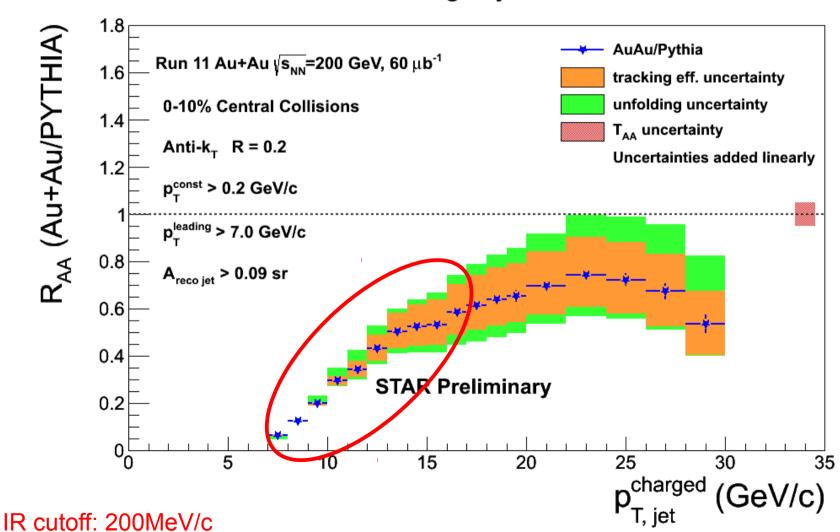
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Yield-weighted jet R_{AA} is consistent with inclusive hadron R_{AA} at pT~5 GeV

Jet R



Charged jets

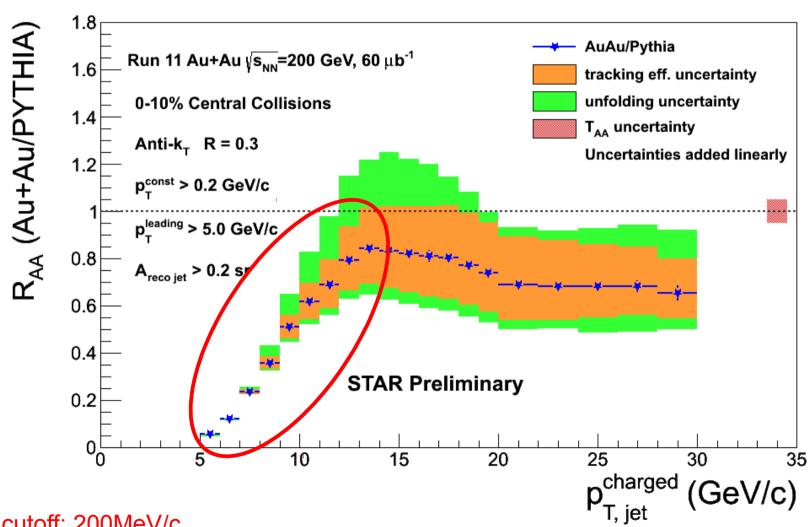


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Jet R

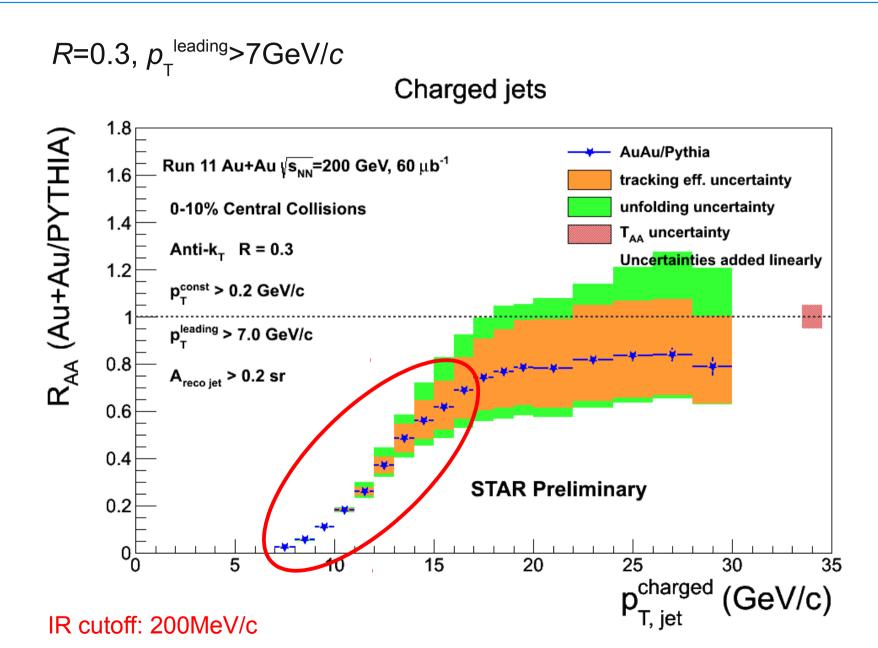
$$R=0.3$$
, $p_{T}^{leading}>5$ GeV/ c

Charged jets



IR cutoff: 200MeV/c

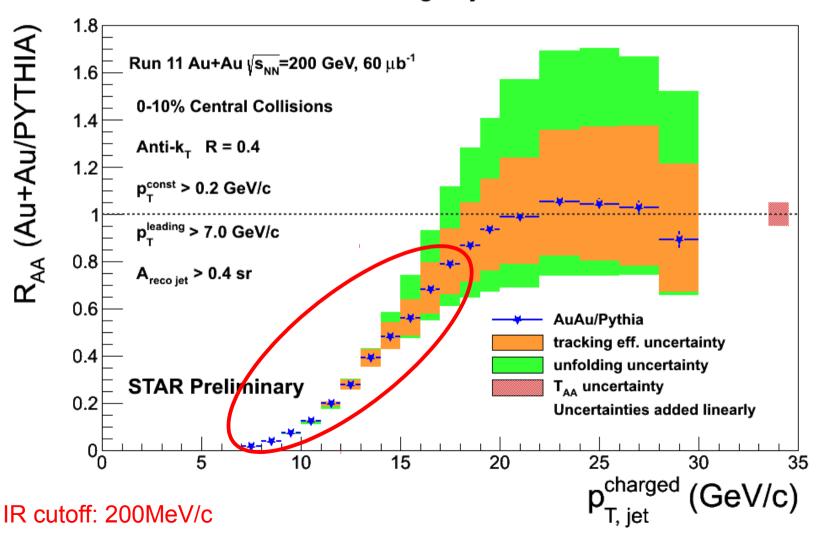




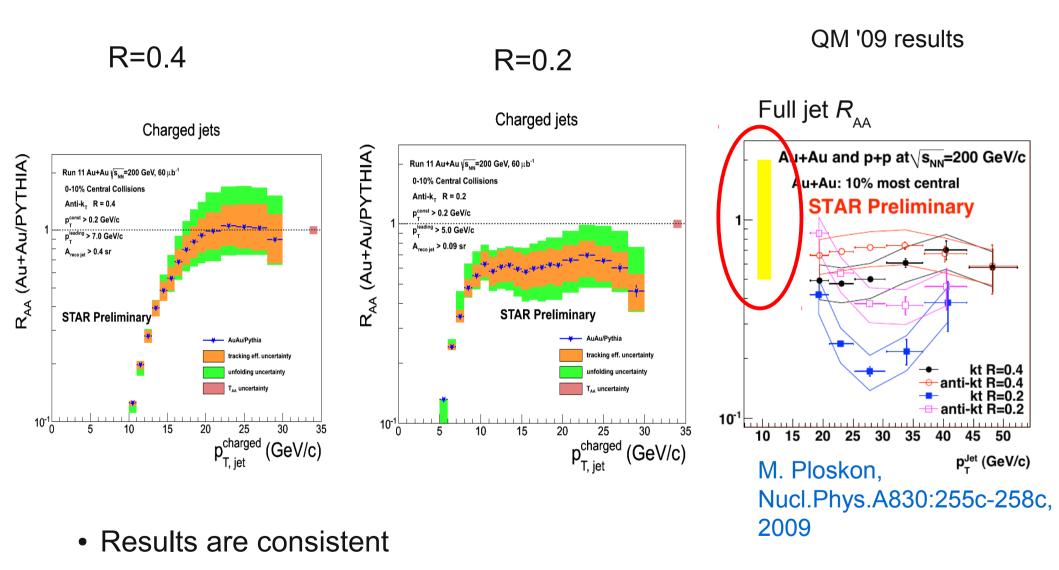
Jet R_{AA}

$$R=0.4$$
, $p_{T}^{leading}>7$ GeV/ c

Charged jets

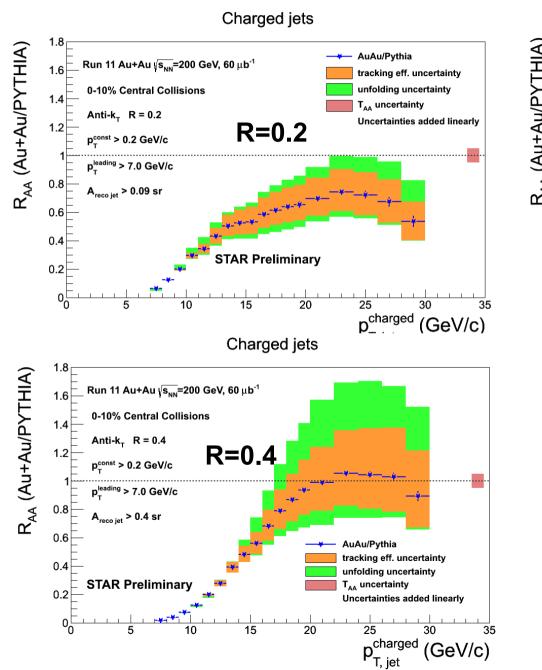


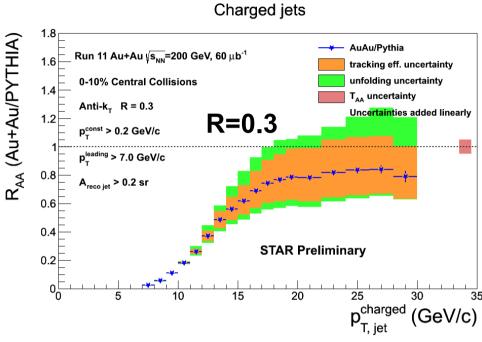
Comparison of old and new STAR results



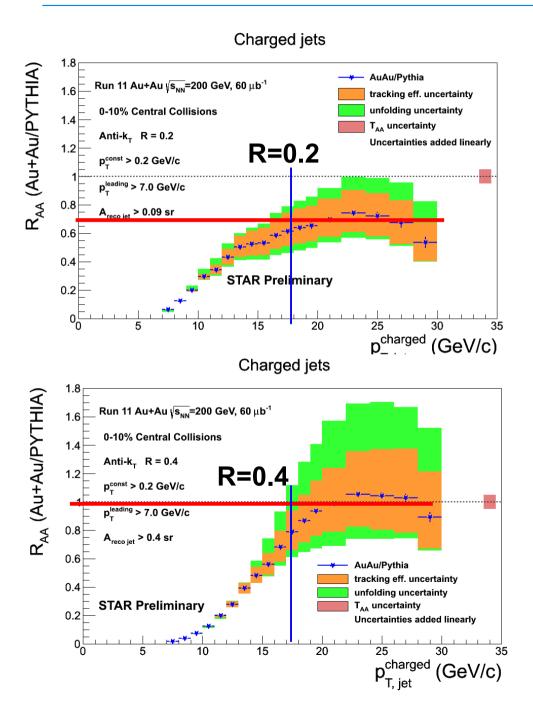
- Old results large systematic uncertainty on normalization
- New methodology better understood systematics

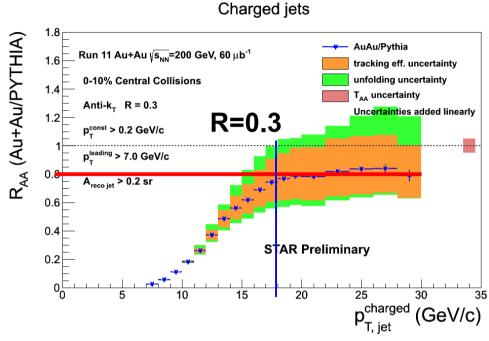
$\operatorname{Jet} R_{_{\operatorname{AA}}} \text{ for different } R$





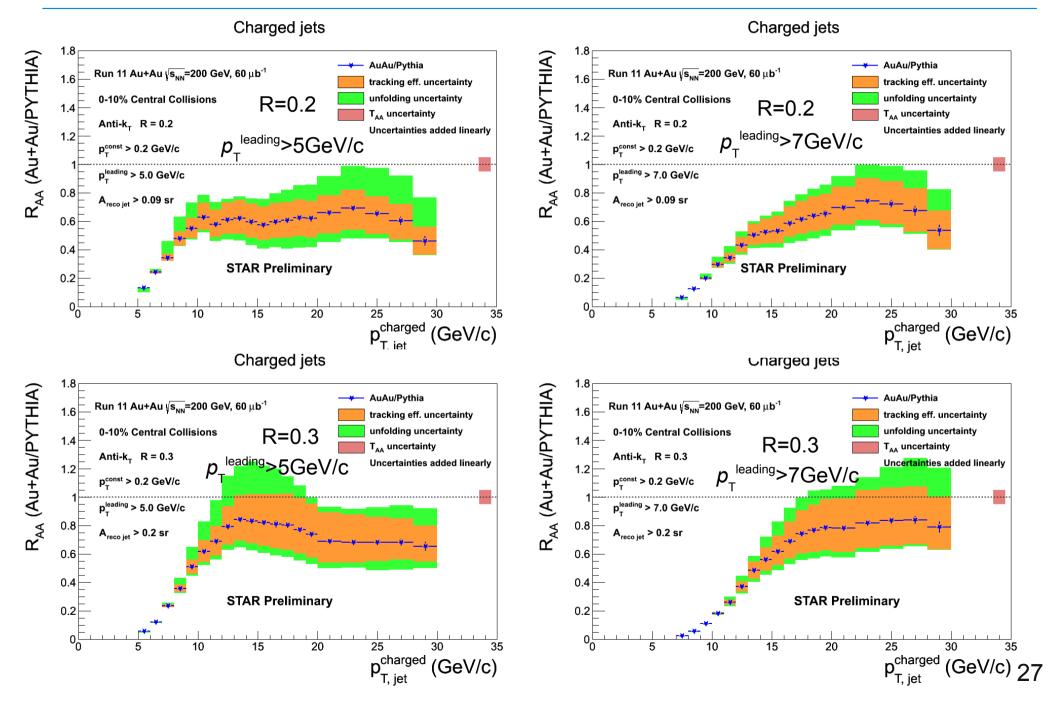
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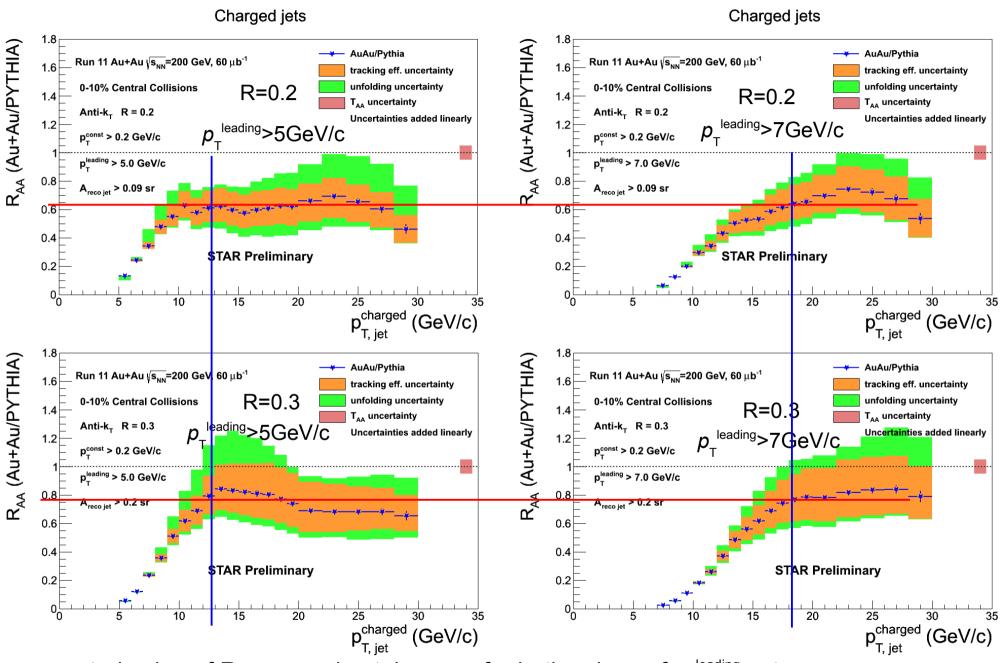


- Growth in R_{AA} central value with rising R?
- Uncertainties too large for definitive statement
- To do: Ratios of distributions (correlated uncertainties cancel)

Jet R_{AA} for different $p_{T}^{leading}$ cut



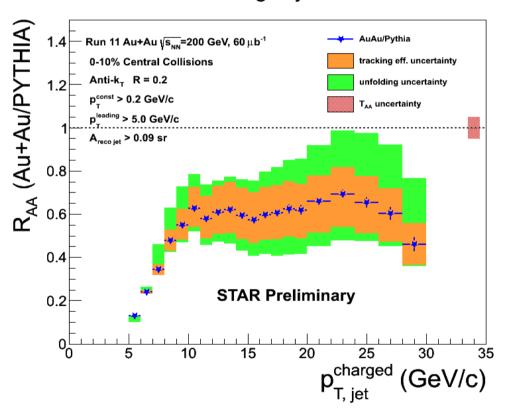
Jet R_{AA} for different $p_{T}^{leading}$ cut



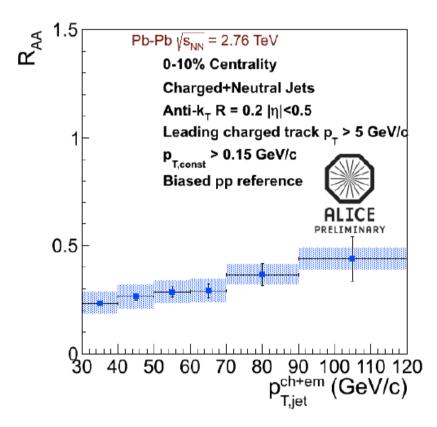
central value of R_{AA} approximately same for both values of $p_{T}^{leading}$ cut

Comparison with ALICE results

Charged jets

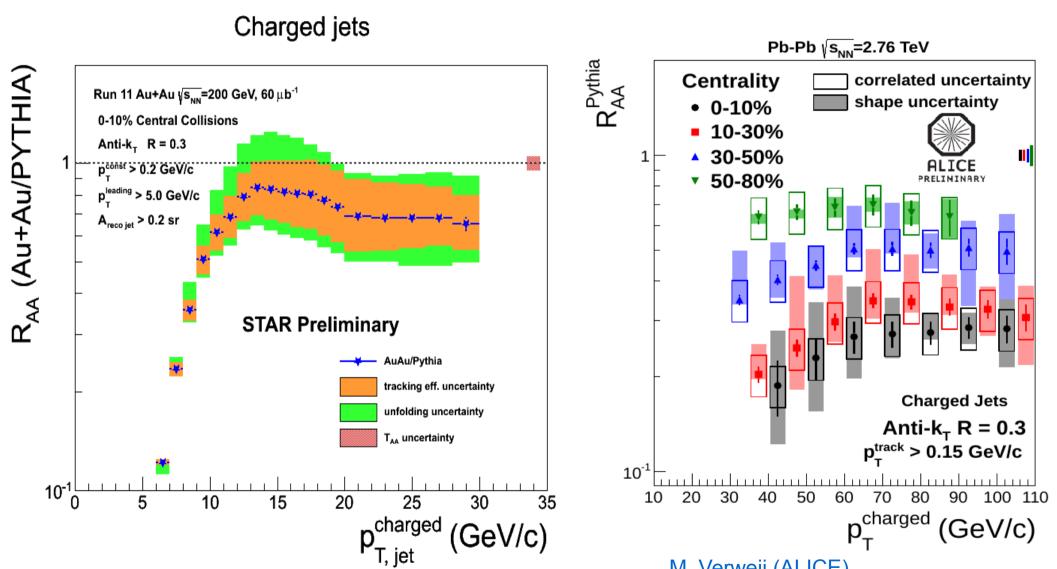


Full jets, biased p+p reference



[ALICE: arXiv:1304.5945]

Comparison with ALICE results



• $R_{_{AA}}$ at RHIC appears to be larger than at the LHC

M. Verweij (ALICE) NPA 904-905 (2013) 1015c

Conclusions

New analysis of inclusive charged jet $R_{\rm AA}$ in central Au+Au collisions at $\sqrt{\rm s} = 200 \, {\rm GeV}$, utilizing the high statistics and high quality Run11 data (so far only 15% of total int. luminosity)

Dominant instrumental uncertainty is tracking efficiency (JES uncert. ~ 5%)

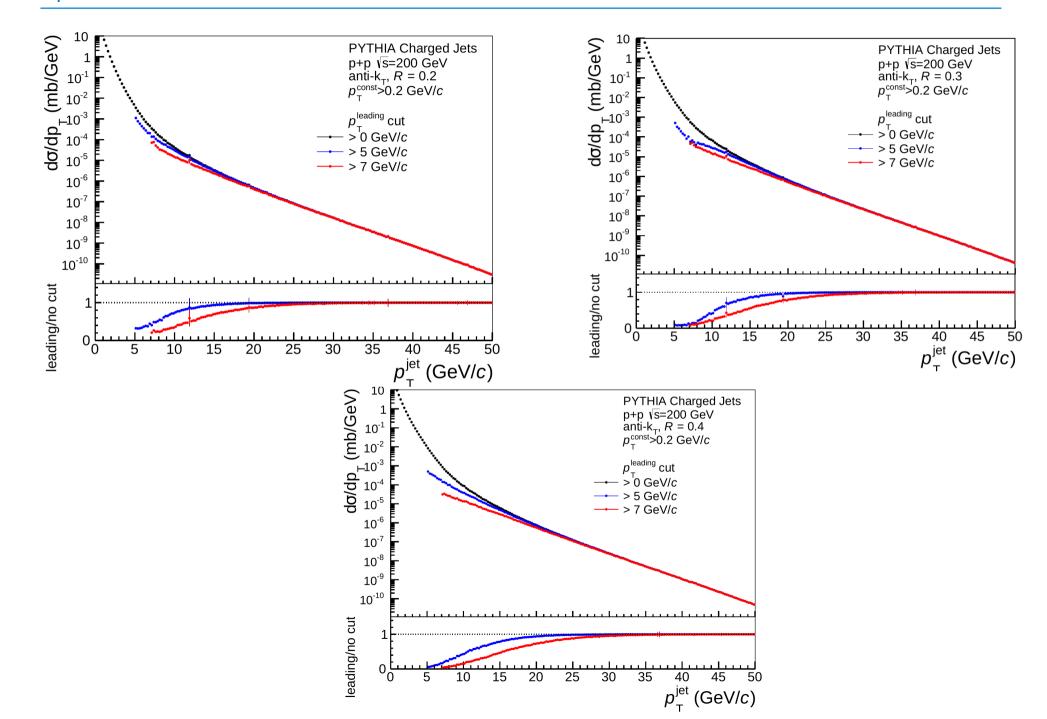
Charged jet R_{AA} :

- $R_{\text{AA}} \gtrsim 0.5$
- R_{AA} appears to be larger at RHIC (25-30GeV/c) than at the LHC (30-40GeV/c)
- growth in central value with increasing R?
- (need to assess correlated and uncorrelated uncert. for definitive statement)

Next steps:

- Cross check with other unfolding methods (Singular Value Decomposition)
- Full jets incorporating BEMC, use triggered data

BACKUP SLIDES



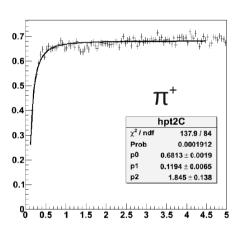
Tracking Efficiency Correction

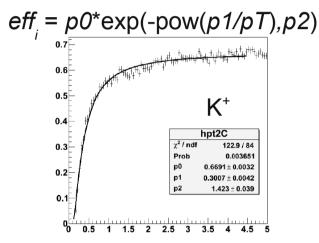
charged hadron reconstruction efficiency:

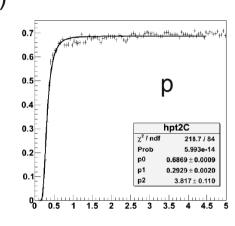
• from embedding of protons, pions and kaons (Run11)

$$eff_{hadron} = \frac{\sum_{i} sp_{i} eff_{i}}{\sum_{j} sp_{j}}$$

where sp_i is the efficiency corrected single particle spectra and eff_i is the single particle efficiency

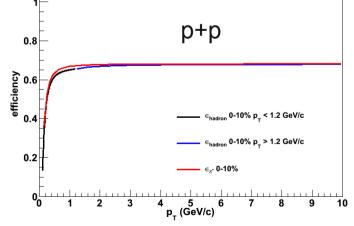


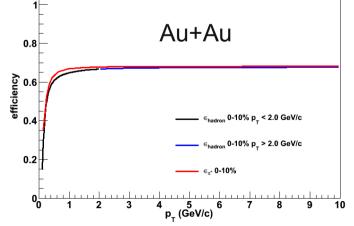




pion/proton/kaon ratios:

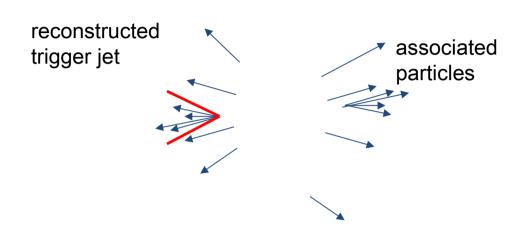
- p+p
- Au+Au
- do unfolding for both scenarios separately and compare results





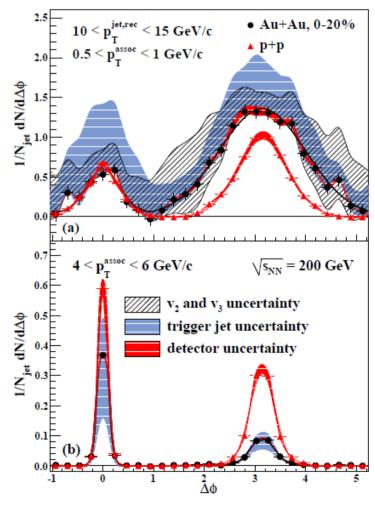
both eff. are relatively similar => main source of error will come from embedding uncertainties

Jet-hadron correlations

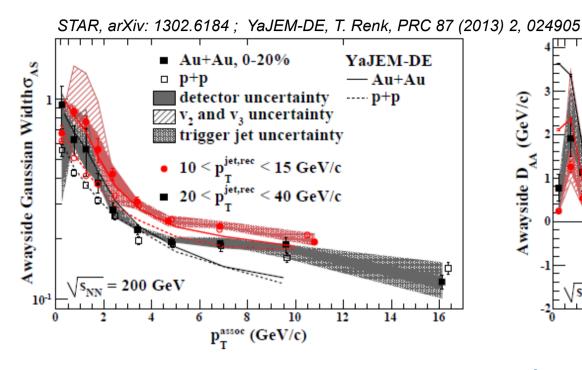


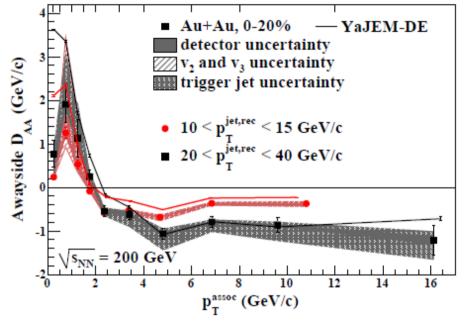
larger kinematic reach compared to di-hadron correlations

- jet reconstruction: anti-k_T algorithm (R = 0.4)
 with a trigger tower in BEMC with E_T > 6 GeV
 and constituent tracks/towers with p_T(E_T)>2 GeV
 to reduce background fluctuations
 (NOTE: "a highly biased jet population")
- recoil (away-side) jet fragmentation is unbiased



Quantifying properties of jet-hadron correlations





Away-side Gaussian width:

suggestive of medium induced broadening BUT!

highly depends on $v3 \rightarrow$ further information on v2jet and v3jet needed

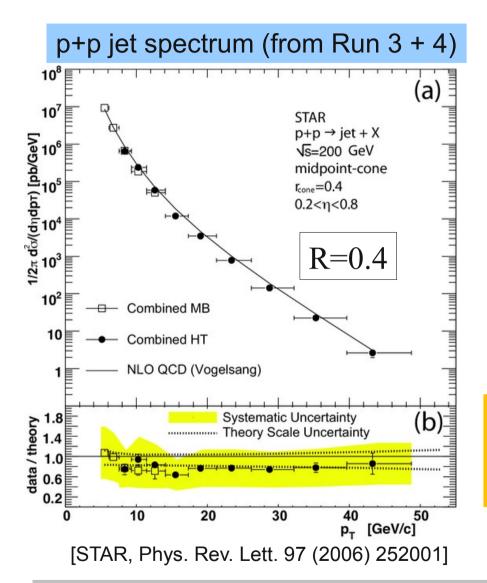
Away-side energy balance:

$$D_{AA}(p_T^{assoc}) = Y_{AuAu}(p_T^{assoc}) \cdot \langle p_T^{assoc} \rangle_{AuAu} - Y_{pp}(p_T^{assoc}) \cdot \langle p_T^{assoc} \rangle_{pp}$$

Suppression of high-pT associated hadron yield ~ balanced by enhancement at low-pT.

The redistribution of energy quantitatively consistent with YaJEM-DE model of in-medium shower modification.

Estimate of jet yields in Run11 Au+Au data



Run 11 Au+Au integrated luminosity: ~ 2.8nb⁻¹

Estimate jet production yield (i.e. $R_{AA}=1$):

$$\sim T_{AA} \cdot \frac{d\sigma_{pp}^{jet}}{dp_T d\eta}$$

10% central Au+Au in Run11: We expect ~2K jets with p_T >50 GeV/c (full jets with BEMC).

Our analysis:

charged-only jets, no trigger, 40 million minimum bias events (~ 60µb⁻¹)

$$R_{AA} = \frac{1/N_{events} \frac{dN_{AuAu}}{dp_T d \eta}}{T_{AA} \frac{d \sigma_{pp}}{dp_T d \eta}}$$

$$T_{AA} = \frac{\langle N_{bin} \rangle}{\sigma_{inelastic}} \simeq 22.2 \pm 1 \, mb^{-1}$$
 for 0-10% Au+Au