

Three-Particle Jet-Like Azimuthal Correlations

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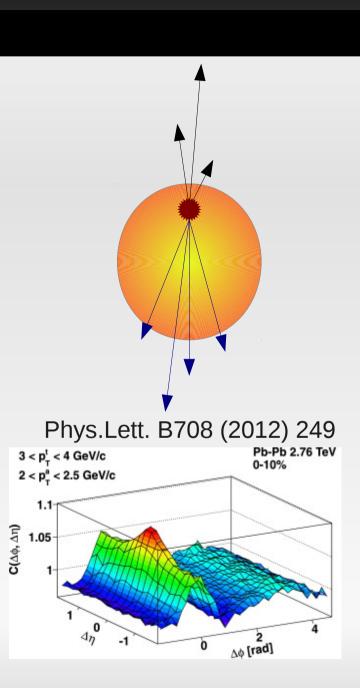
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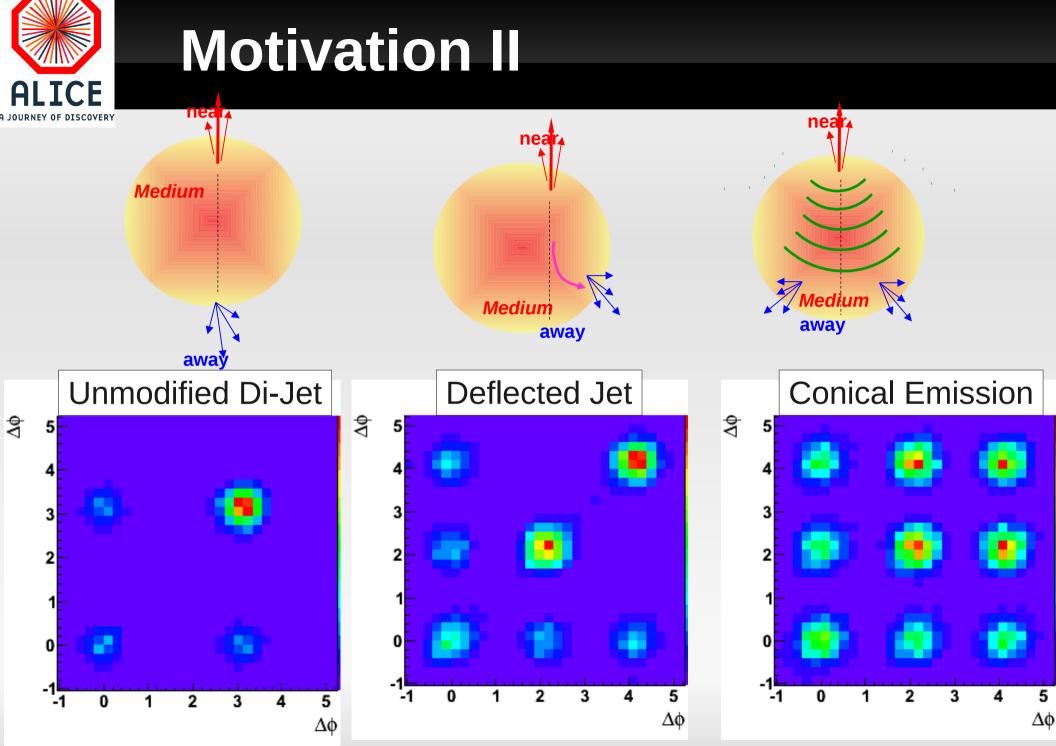
Inner Tracking System Vertexing



Motivation

- Information about away-side structure.
 - Mach-cone
 - Cerenkov gluon radiation
 - Deflected Jets
 - deflected by radial flow
 - path length dependent energy loss
 - Different flow subtraction systematics then 2-particle correlations.





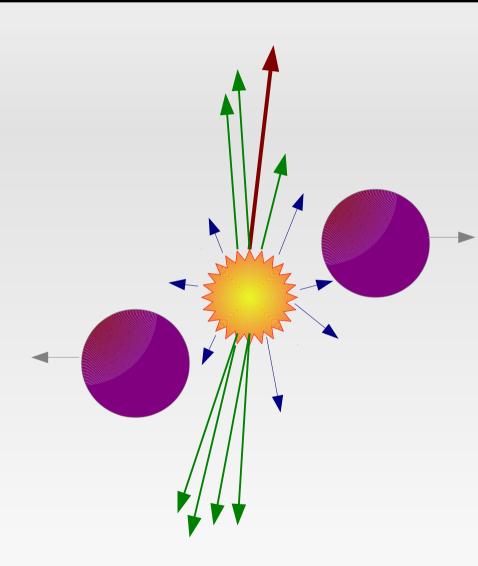
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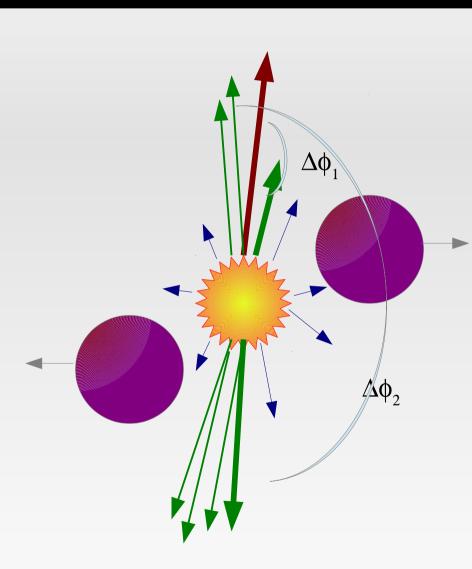
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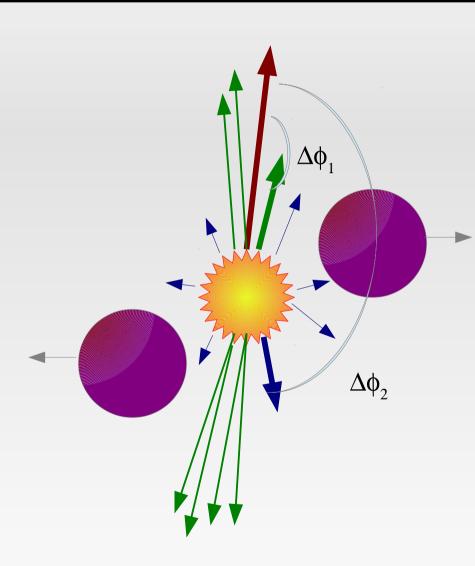
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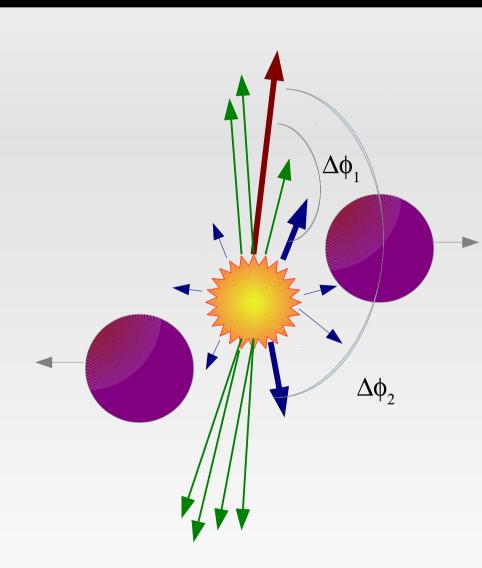
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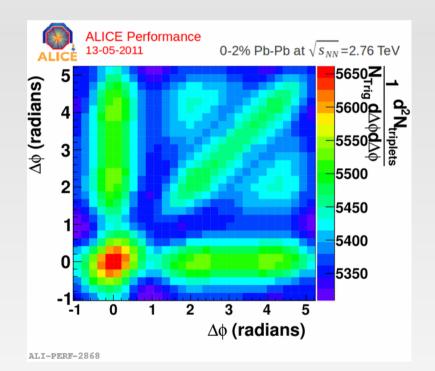
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Unsubtracted Signal

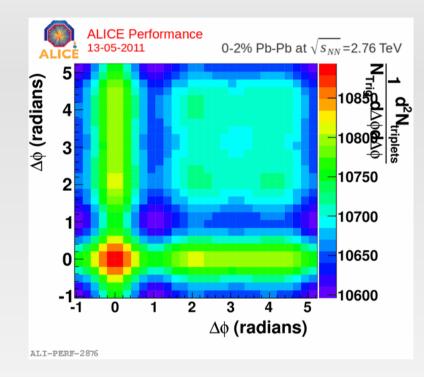
- Contains
 - 3-particle jet-like correlations
 - 2-particle jet-like correlations
 - 2-particle flow correlations
 - 3-particle flow correlations
 - 3-particle correlation where
 2 are jet-like correlated
 while 3rd is flow correlated





Trigger and Associated Correlated

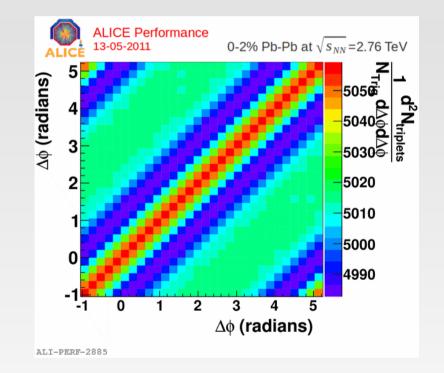
- 2-particle correlation between trigger and associated particle.
- Contains 2-particle jet-like and flow correlations.
- Unsubtracted 2-particle correlations folded with 3rd from mixed events.
- Mixed event ZYAM assumption normalized on the 2-particle correlation.
 - ALICE flow values for ZYAM determination from v₂, v₃, and





Associated-Associated Correlation

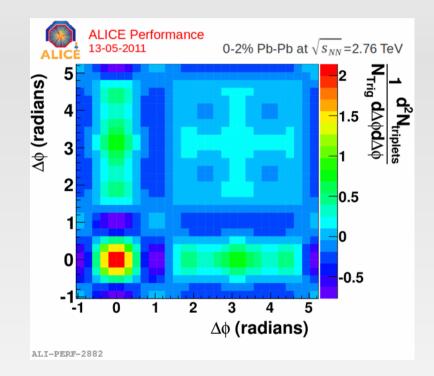
- 2-particle correlations between the two associated particles.
 - jet-like and flow correlations
 - Trigger particle mixed with pairs of associated from a different event.
- Normalized so background subtracted 3-particle correlation is ZYAM.





Trigger-Associated Jet-Like X Flow

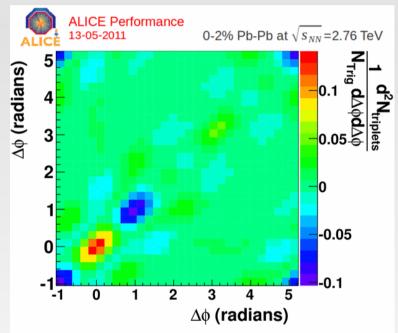
- Jet-like correlation can be flow correlated with the 3rd particle.
- Background subtracted 2-particle jet-like correlation folded with the flow distribution.
 - Uncertainty in the jet-like flow, trigger v_n used.
 - ALICE flow values for v_2^{1} , v_3^{1} , and v_4^{1} used.





Associated-Associated Jet-Like X Flow

- Background subtracted associated-associated distribution is jet-like and may flow with trigger particle.
- Non-flow structure on the associated-associated correlation modulated with the flow between trigger and associated.
 - ALICE flow values for v₂, v₃, and v₄ used



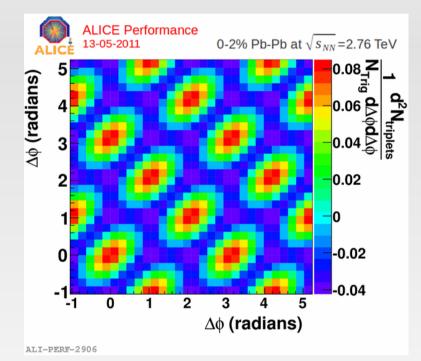
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3-Particle Flow

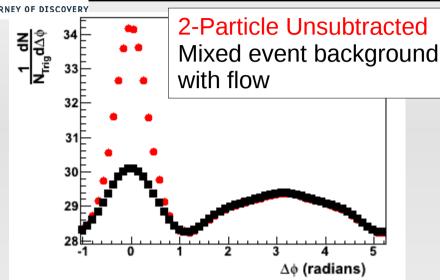
- All three particles can be flow correlated.
- When considering v_2 , v_3 , and v_{A} flow components the 3-particle flow contains terms for:
 - $V_2^T V_2^{A1} V_4^{A2}$ $V_2^T V_4^{A1} V_2^{A2}$

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Toy Model



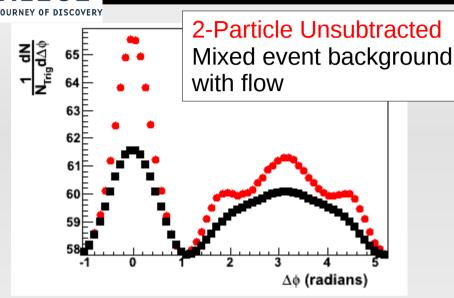
- Simulation of a single jet on a flowing background.
- v₂, v₃, and v₄ included in the background.

3-Particle Unsbutracted ∆¢ (radians) 1000 950 900 850 800 **3-Particle Background Subtracted** 14 ∆¢ (radians) 8 6 2 0 З 2 5

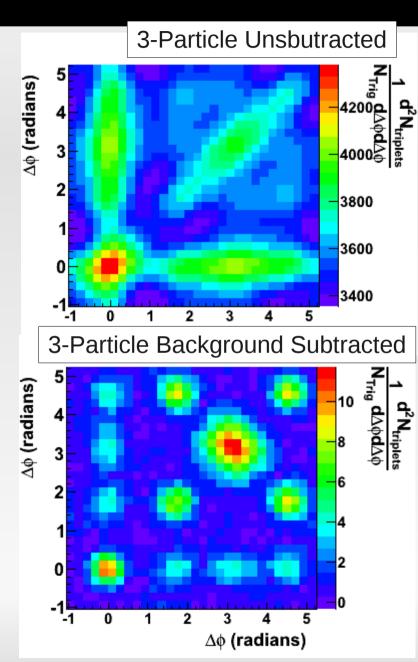
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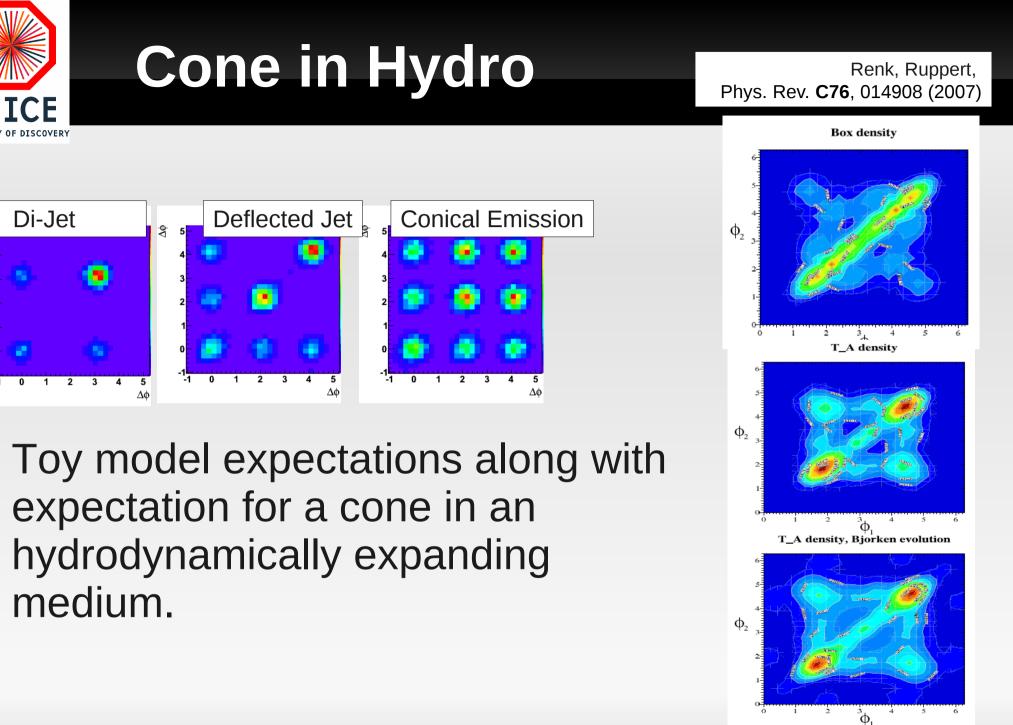


Toy Model II



- Away-side either back-toback jet or cone (50% prob.).
- v₂, v₃, and v₄ included in the background.





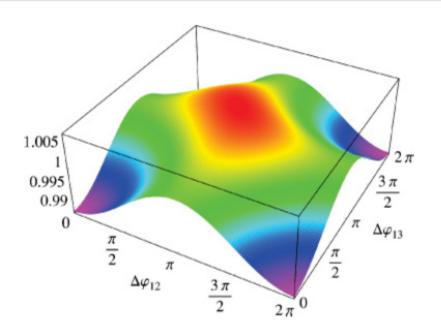
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Statistical Momentum Conservation

- Away-side 3-particle correlation was computed.
- Assumes trigger momentum is statistically distributed through all particles in the event.

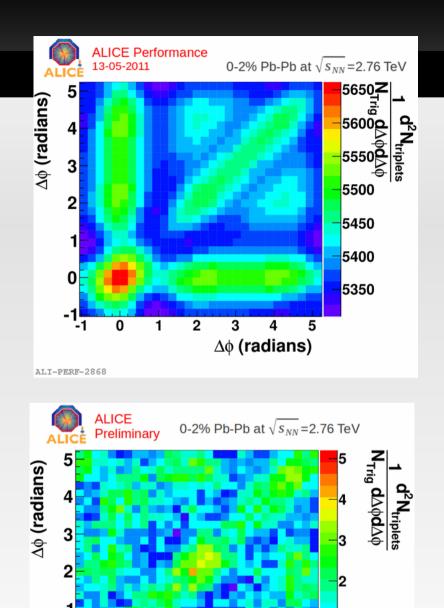
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Data Results

- 0-2% Pb-Pb
- 2.5<p_Trig<4 GeV/c</p>
- 1<p_Assoc<2 GeV/c</p>
- Half ALICE 2-particle flow values used for v_2 , v_3 , and v_4 .
- Signal to background ~1/1000
- Contribution to the 2-particle signal not straight forward and depends on spread of awayside with respect to detector Δη acceptance.



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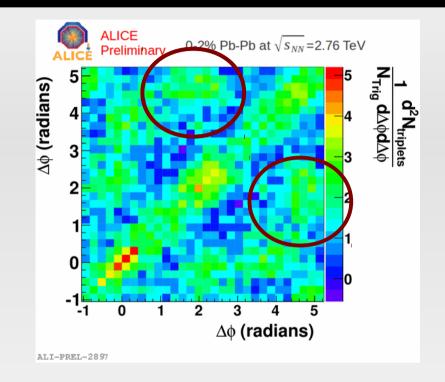
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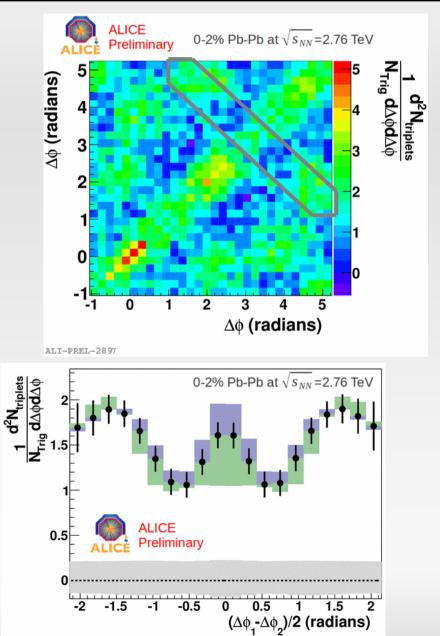
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- Side peaks expected for conical emission seen.





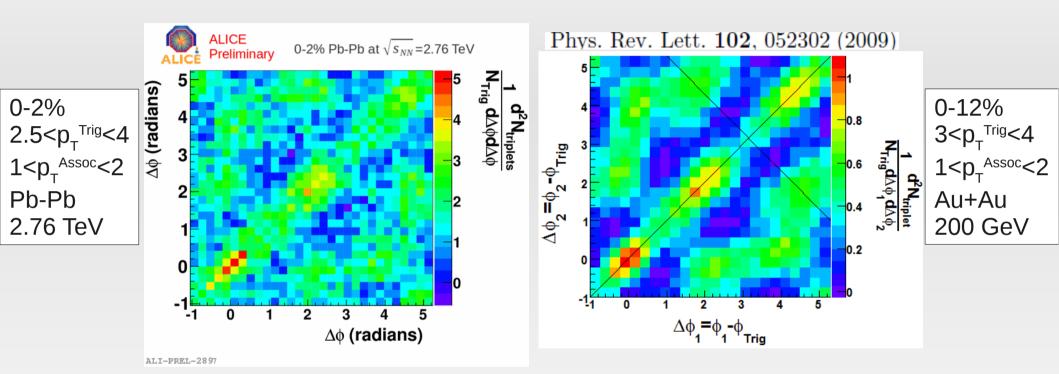
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- Systematic errors from:
 - Flow in blue and green varied between 0 and ALICE 2-particle cumulant
 - Normalization in gray





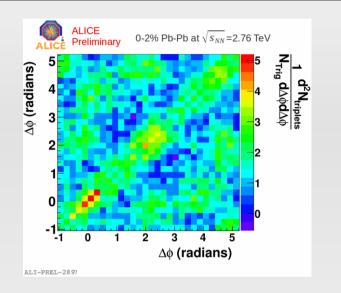
Comparison to STAR



- Similar correlation shape seen in ALICE as was seen in STAR.
 - ALICE results include v₃ subtraction which was not included in the STAR analysis.







- Results shown for 0-2% most central collisions.
- Similar structure as was seen in STAR
- Results are consistent with conical emission.
- Stayed tuned to Hard Probes for more results.