



Evidence of conical emission from three-particle azimuthal correlation at STAR

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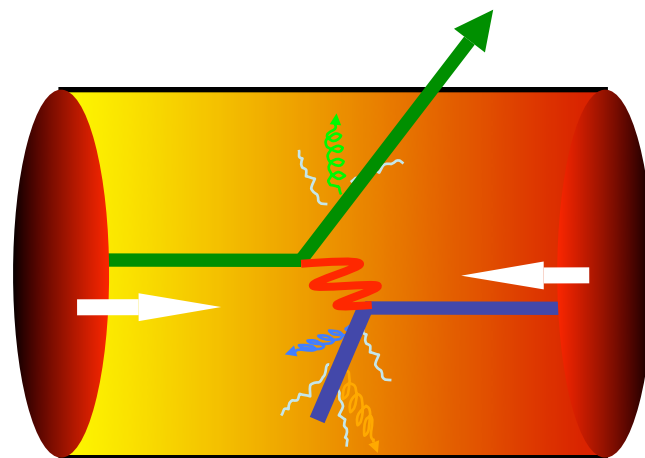
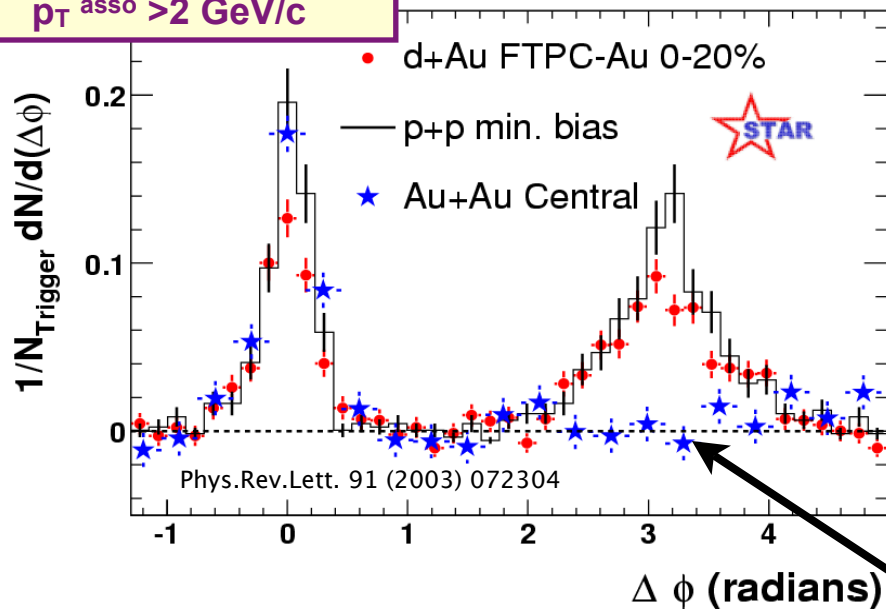


OUTLINE

- Motivation
- Analysis technique
- Results
 - system size (centrality) dependence
 - associated p_T dependence
 - trigger p_T dependence
 - PID three-particle correlation
- Conclusions

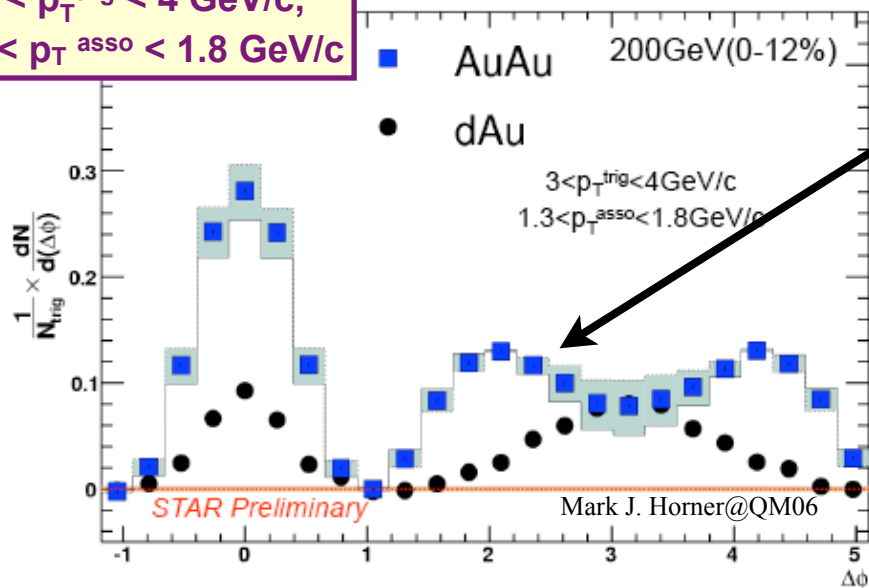
MOTIVATION

$4 < p_T^{\text{trig}} < 6 \text{ GeV}/c$,
 $p_T^{\text{asso}} > 2 \text{ GeV}/c$



For away side in di-hadron correlation in central Au+Au collisions at RHIC:

$3 < p_T^{\text{trig}} < 4 \text{ GeV}/c$,
 $1.3 < p_T^{\text{asso}} < 1.8 \text{ GeV}/c$

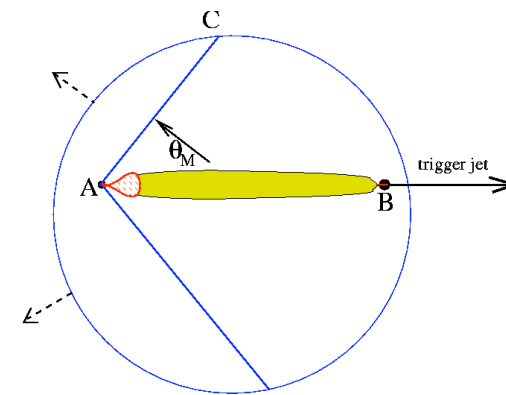


- Suppression due to jet quenching.
- Double-peak:
 - Mach-cone (to be discussed)
 - Čerenkov gluon radiation (to be discussed)
 - Large angle gluon radiation
 I. Vitev, PLB 630, 78 (2005)
 A. D. Polosa et al., PRC 75, 041901(2007)
 - Jet deflection
 Armesto, PRC 72, 064910 (2005)
 Charles B. Chiu et al., PRC 74, 064909 (2005)
 - ...

CONICAL EMISSION THEORIES

- **Mach-cone:**

- Shock waves excited by a **supersonic** parton.
- Can be produced in different theories:
 - **Hydrodynamics**
 - H. Stöcker et al. (Nucl.Phys.A750:121,2005)
 - J. Casaldera-Solana et. al. (J.Phys.Conf.Ser. 27:22,2005)
 - T. Renk & J. Ruppert (Phys.Rev.C73:011901,2006)
 - **Colored plasma**
 - J. Ruppert & B. Müller (Phys.Lett.B618:123,2005)
 - **AdS/CFT**
 - S. Gubser, S. Pufu, A. Yarom. (arXiv:0706.4307, 2007)



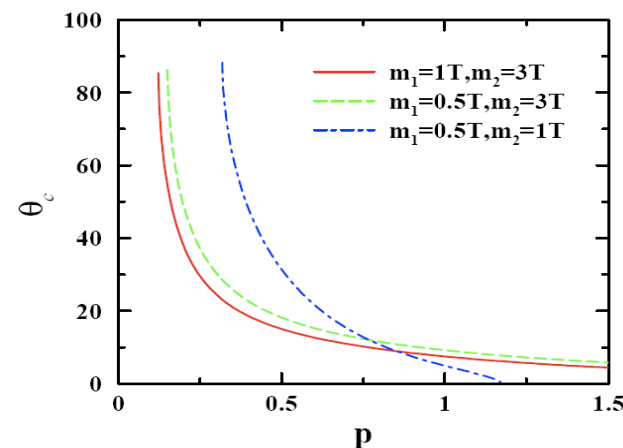
$$\cos \theta_M = C_s$$

$$C_s^2 = \frac{\partial p}{\partial \epsilon}$$

- **Čerenkov Gluon Radiation:**

- Radiation of gluons by a **superluminal** parton.
 - I.M. Dremin (Nucl. Phys. A750: 233, 2006)
 - V. Koch, A. Majumder, Xin-Nian Wang (Phys. ReV. Lett. 96, 172302, 2006)

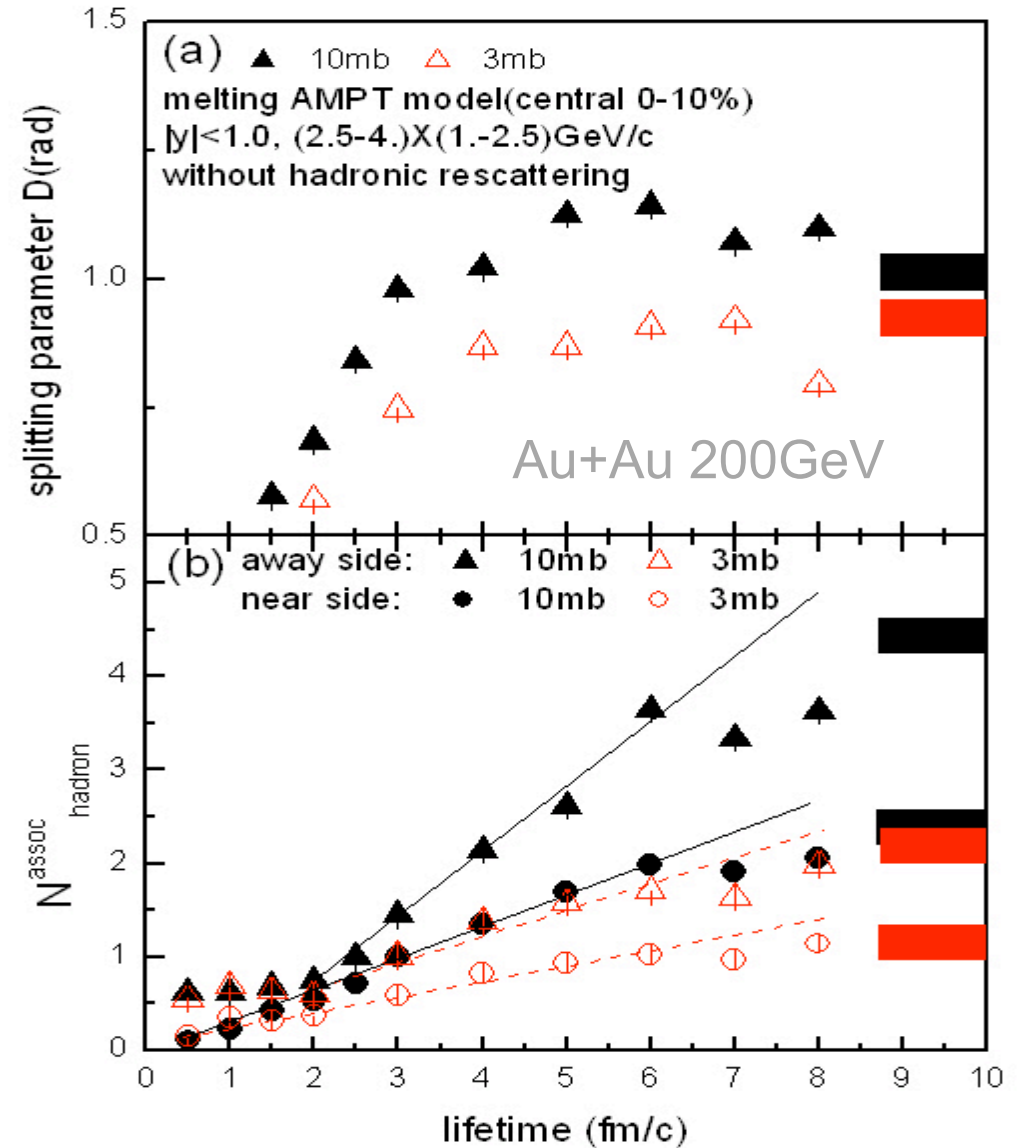
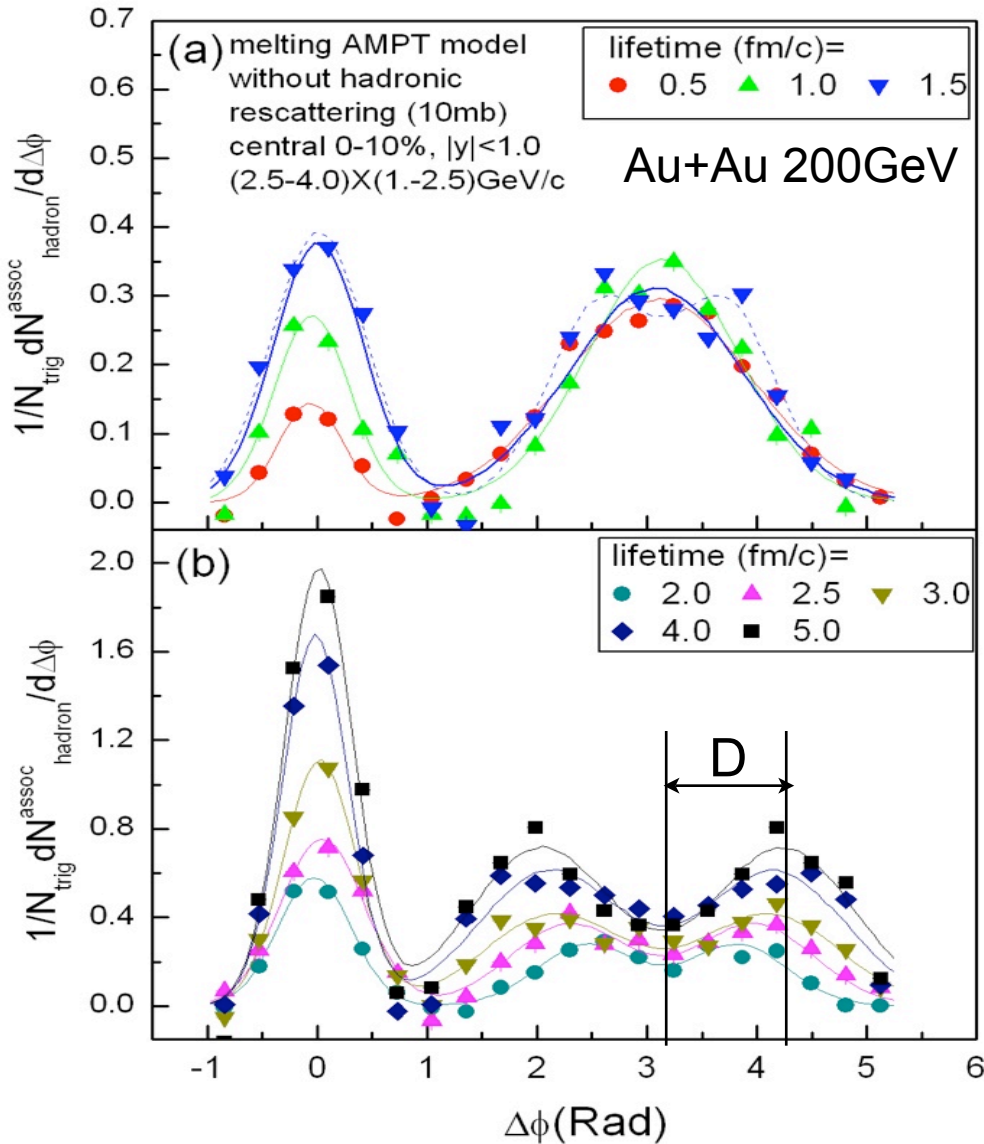
$$\cos \theta_C = 1/n(p)$$



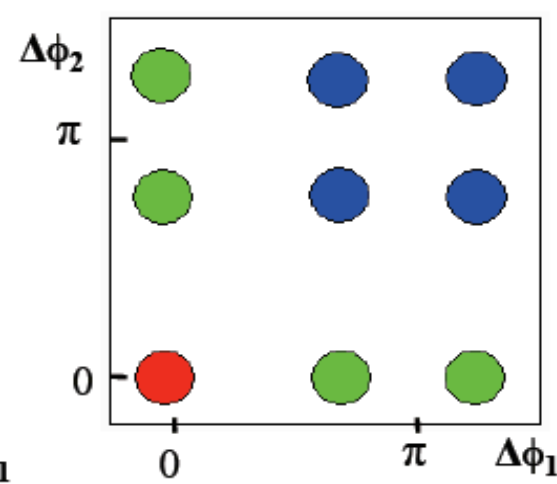
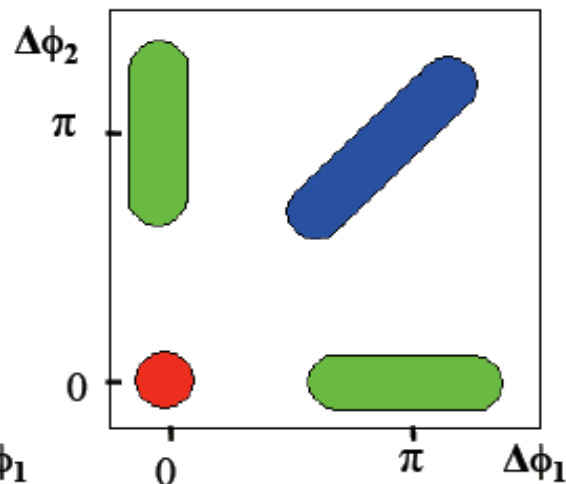
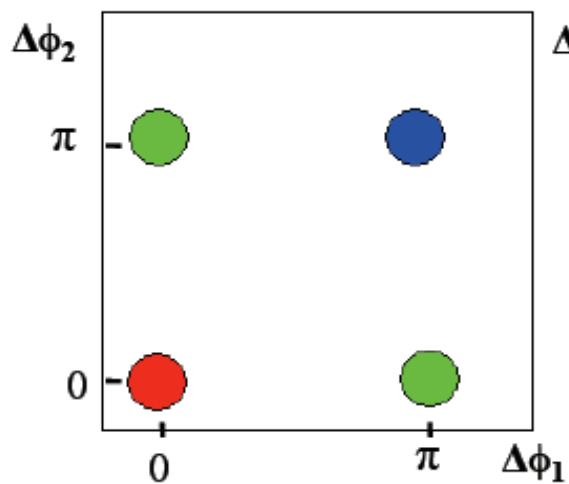
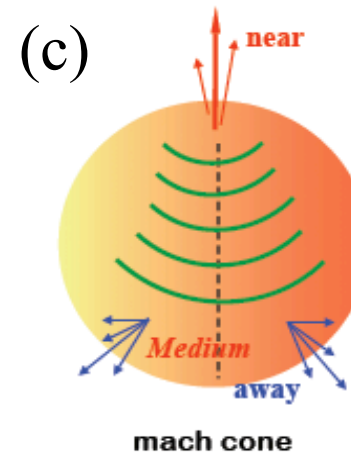
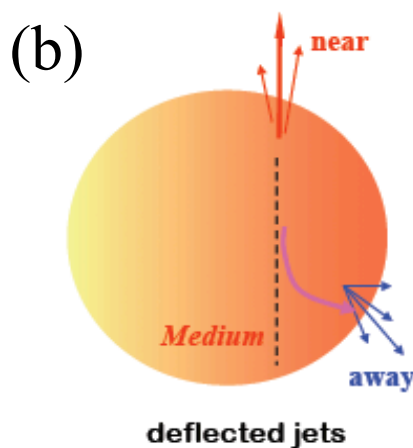
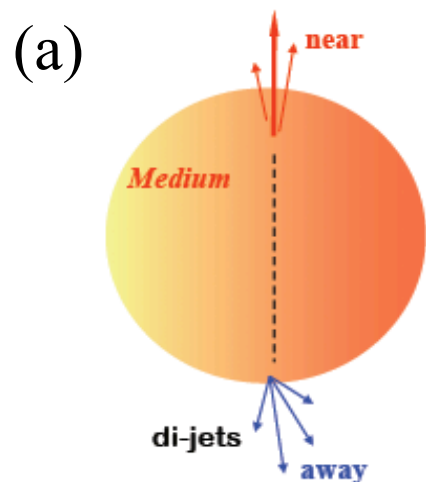
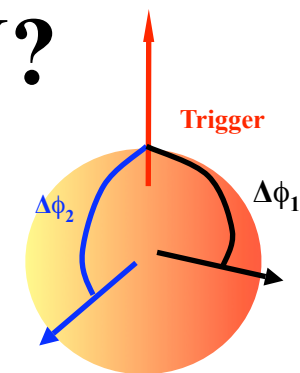
Parton Cascade

- from string-melting AMPT model

G. L. Ma, S. Zhang and Y. G. Ma et al.,
 PLB 641, 362 (2006);
 PLB 647, 122, (2007); nucl-th/0610088.

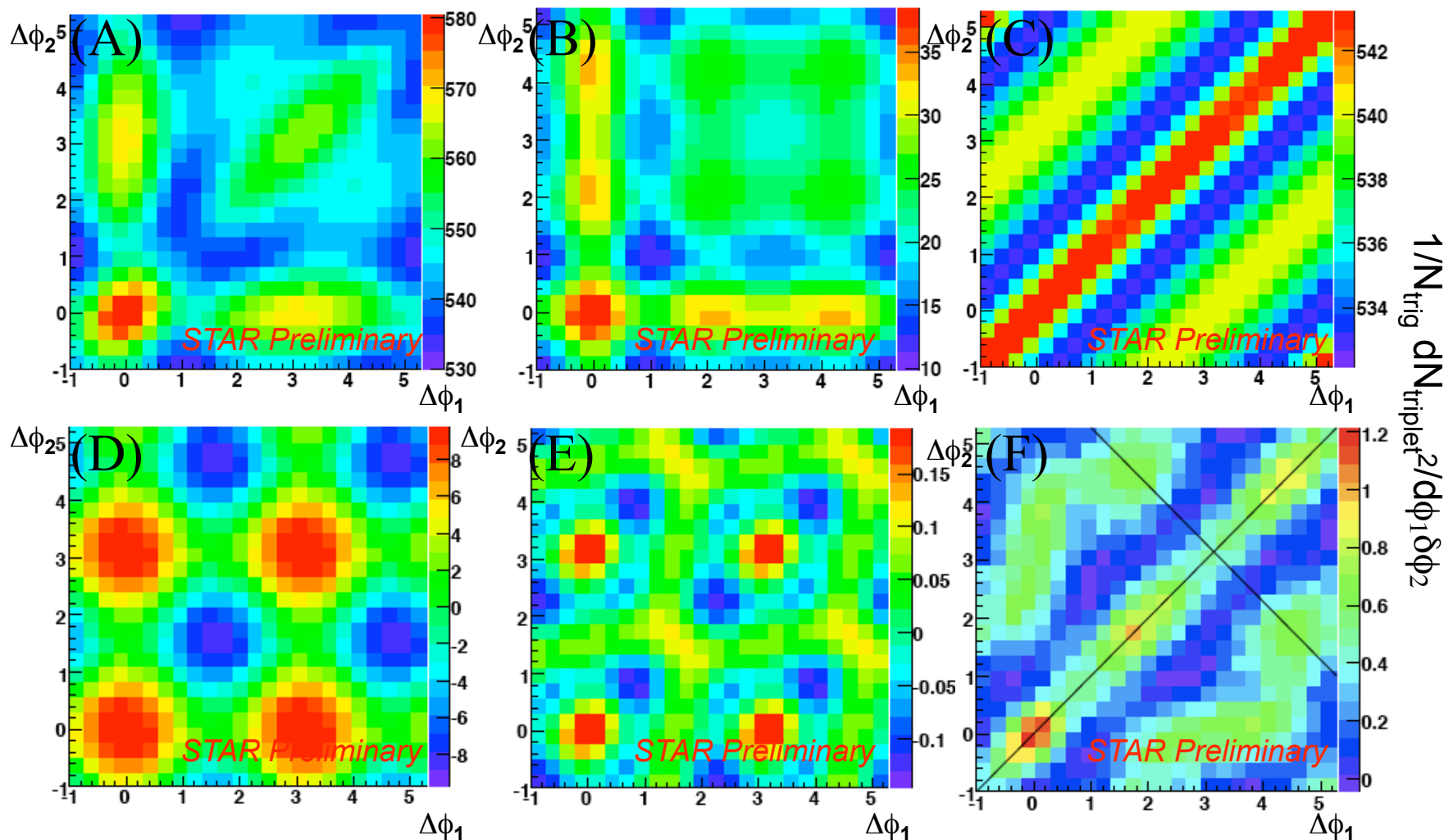


WHY 3-PARTICLE CORRELATION?



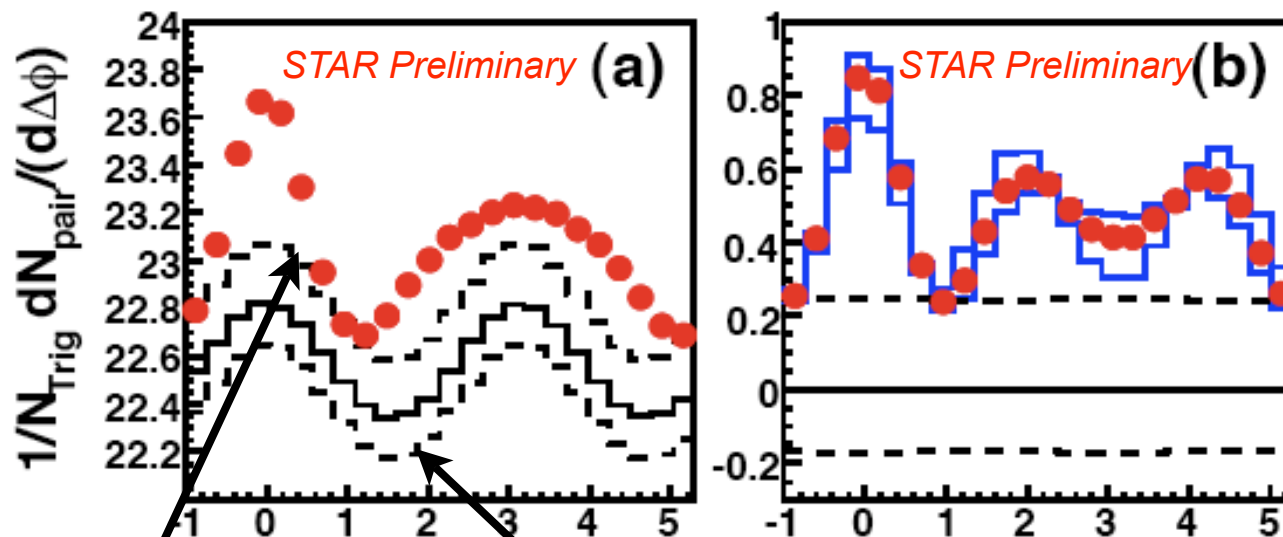
BACKGROUND SUBTRACTION

An example: Au+Au 200 GeV (0-12%),
 $3 < p_T^{\text{Trig}} < 4$ GeV/c and $1 < p_T^{\text{Asso}} < 2$ GeV/c



(A): raw signal; (B): hard-soft background; (C): soft-soft background; (D): flow (v2) background; (E): flow (v4) background; (F): final signal.

SYSTEMATIC UNCERTAINTIES



A normalization factor is obtained by 3-particle ZYAM (Zero Yield At Minimum), i.e. the average of the lowest 10% data-points is required to be zero.

Systematic uncertainty from the normalization factor:

One end from 2-particle ZYAM, **the other end** from 3-particle ZYAM at only one lowest data-point.

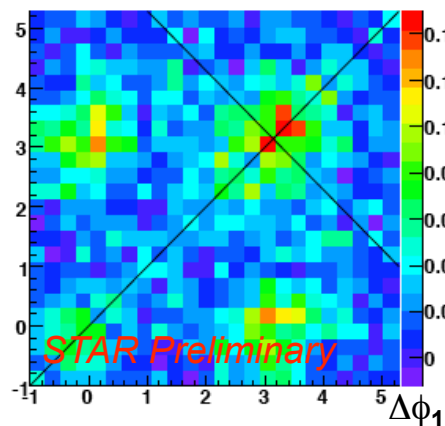
Other systematic uncertainties:

Flow correction, multiplicity fluctuation etc.

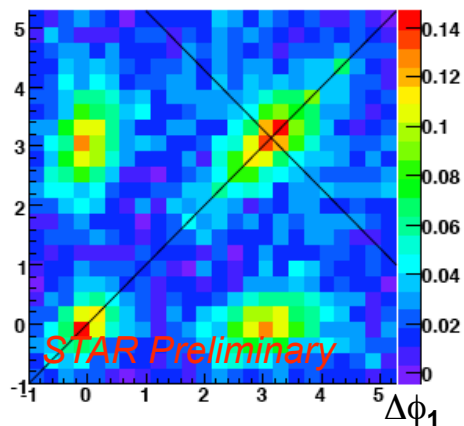
STAR RESULTS: SYSTEM DEPENDENCE

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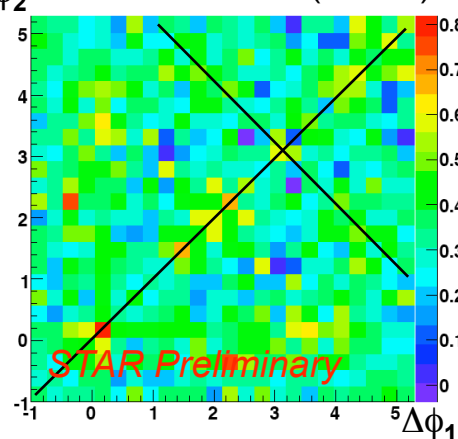
$\Delta\phi_2$ p+p 200GeV



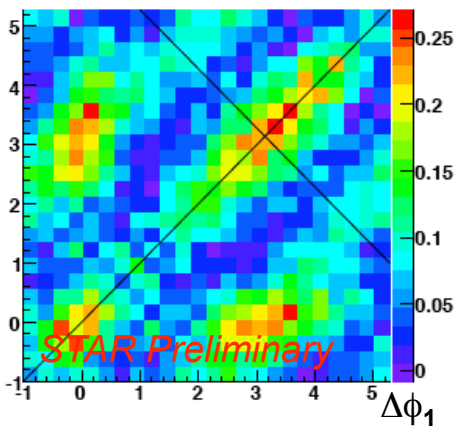
$\Delta\phi_2$ d+Au 200GeV



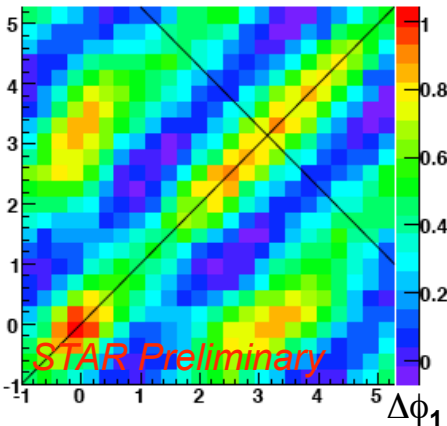
$\Delta\phi_2$ Cu+Cu 200GeV(0-10%)



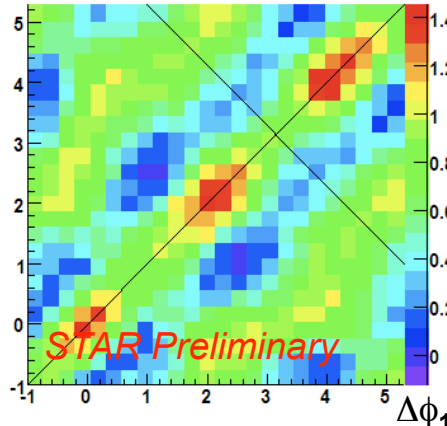
$\Delta\phi_2$ Au+Au 200GeV(50-80%)



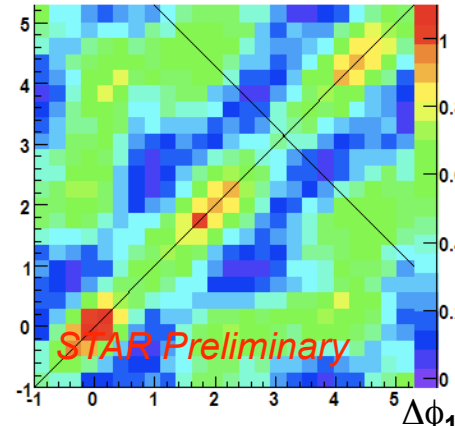
$\Delta\phi_2$ Au+Au 200GeV(30-50%)



$\Delta\phi_2$ Au+Au 200GeV(10-30%)



$\Delta\phi_2$ Au+Au 200GeV(0-12%)



$1/N_{\text{trig}} \frac{dN_{\text{triple}}}{d\Delta\phi_1 \Delta\phi_2}$

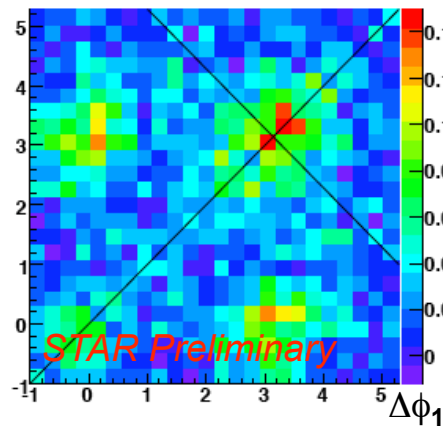
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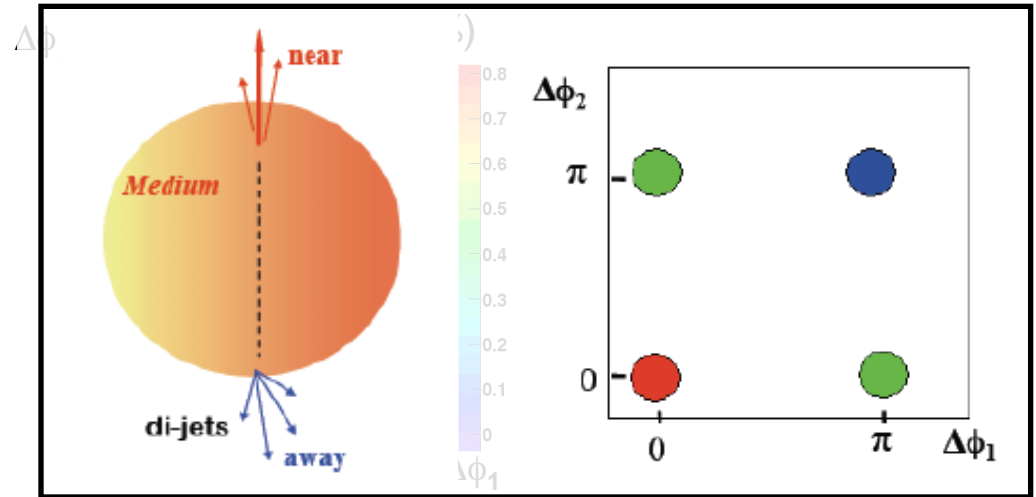
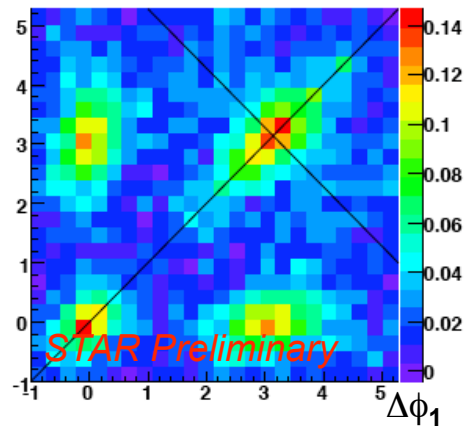
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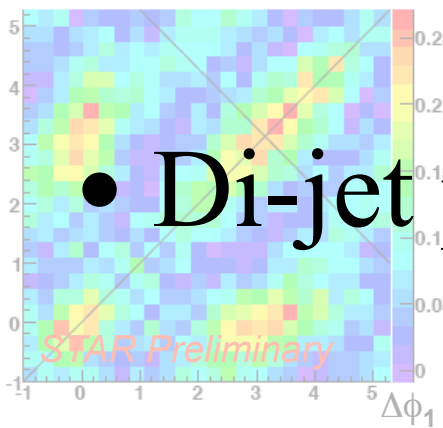
$\Delta\phi_2$ p+p 200GeV



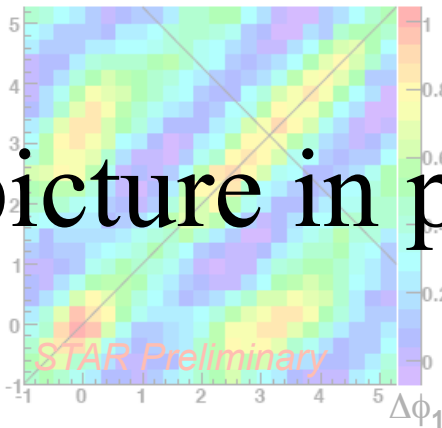
$\Delta\phi_2$ d+Au 200GeV



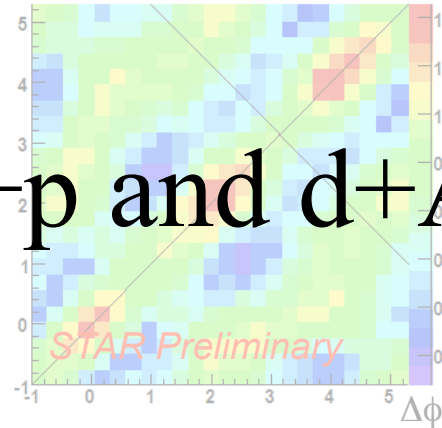
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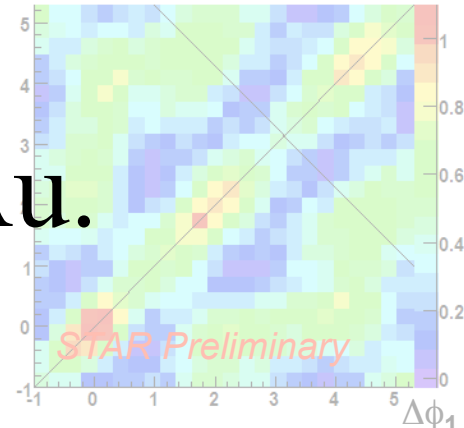
$\Delta\phi_2$ Au+Au 200GeV(30-50%)



$\Delta\phi_2$ Au+Au 200GeV(10-30%)



$\Delta\phi_2$ Au+Au 200GeV(0-12%)

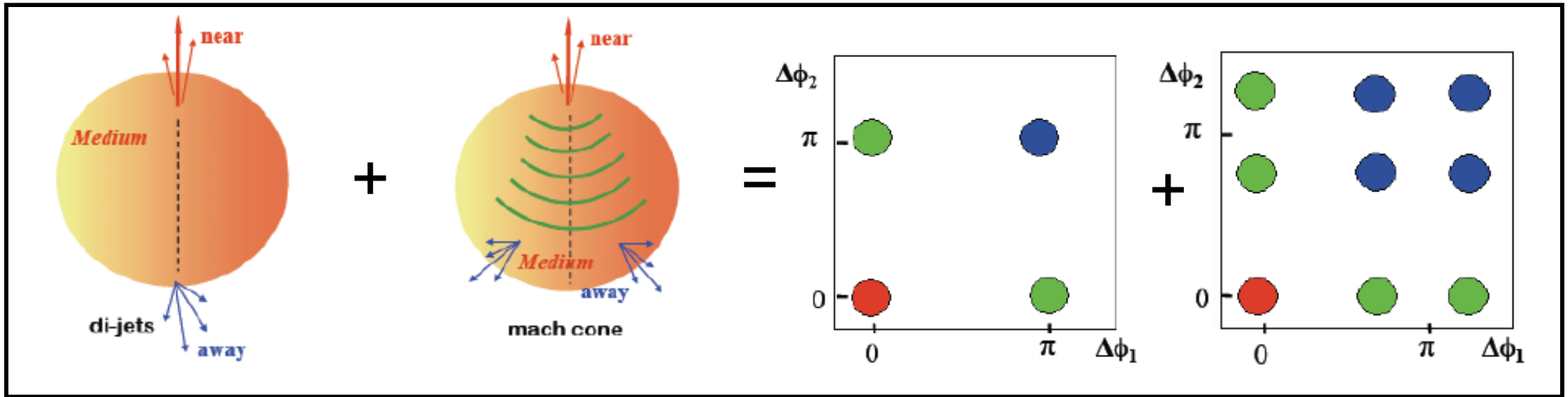


• Di-jet picture in p+p and d+Au.

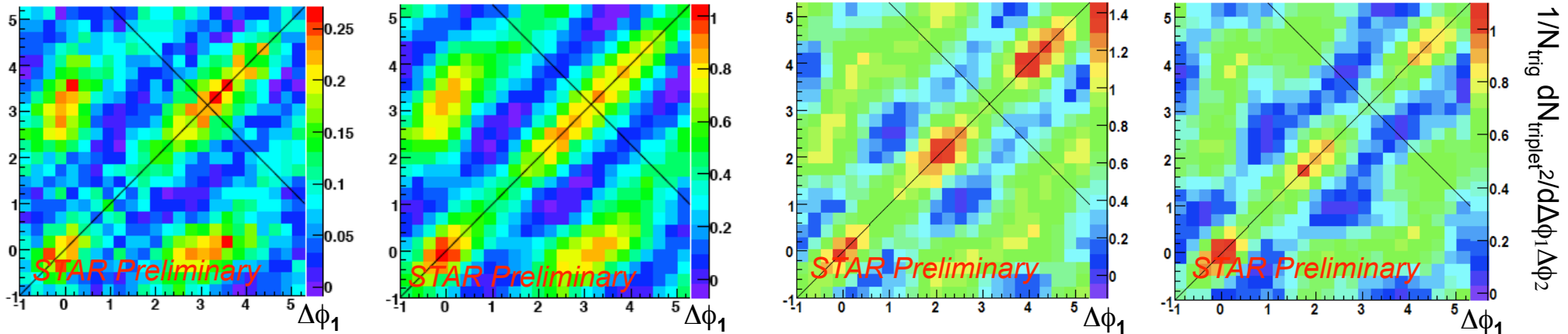
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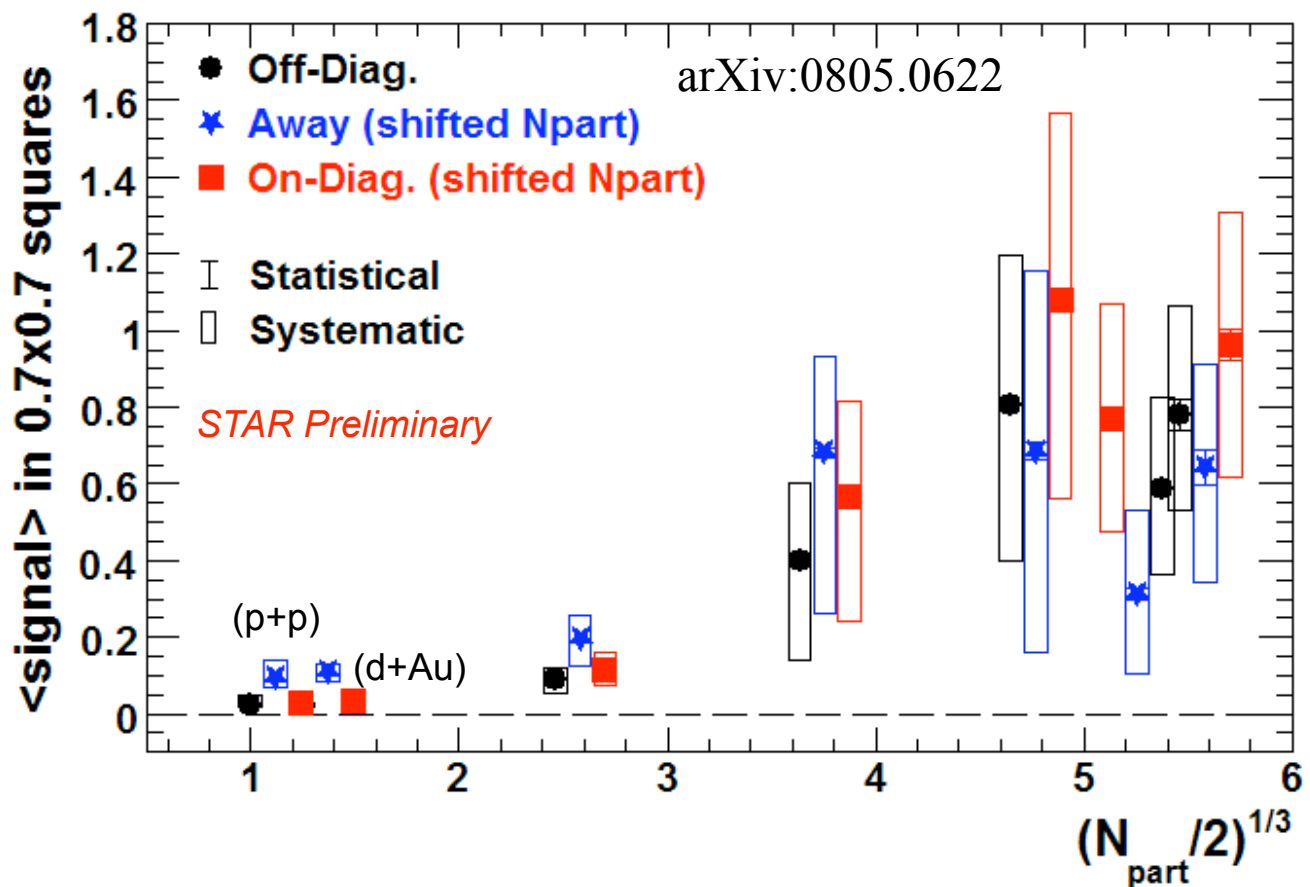
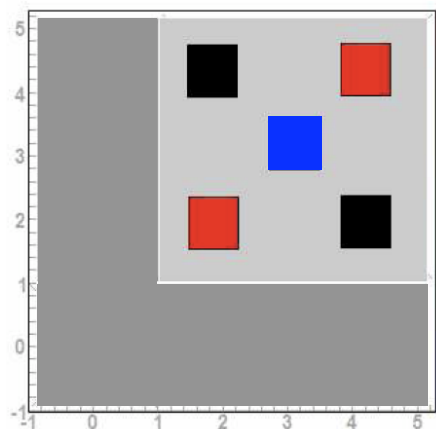
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- Di-jet + conical emission in Au+Au.

CENTRALITY DEPENDENCE of average yield from different regions

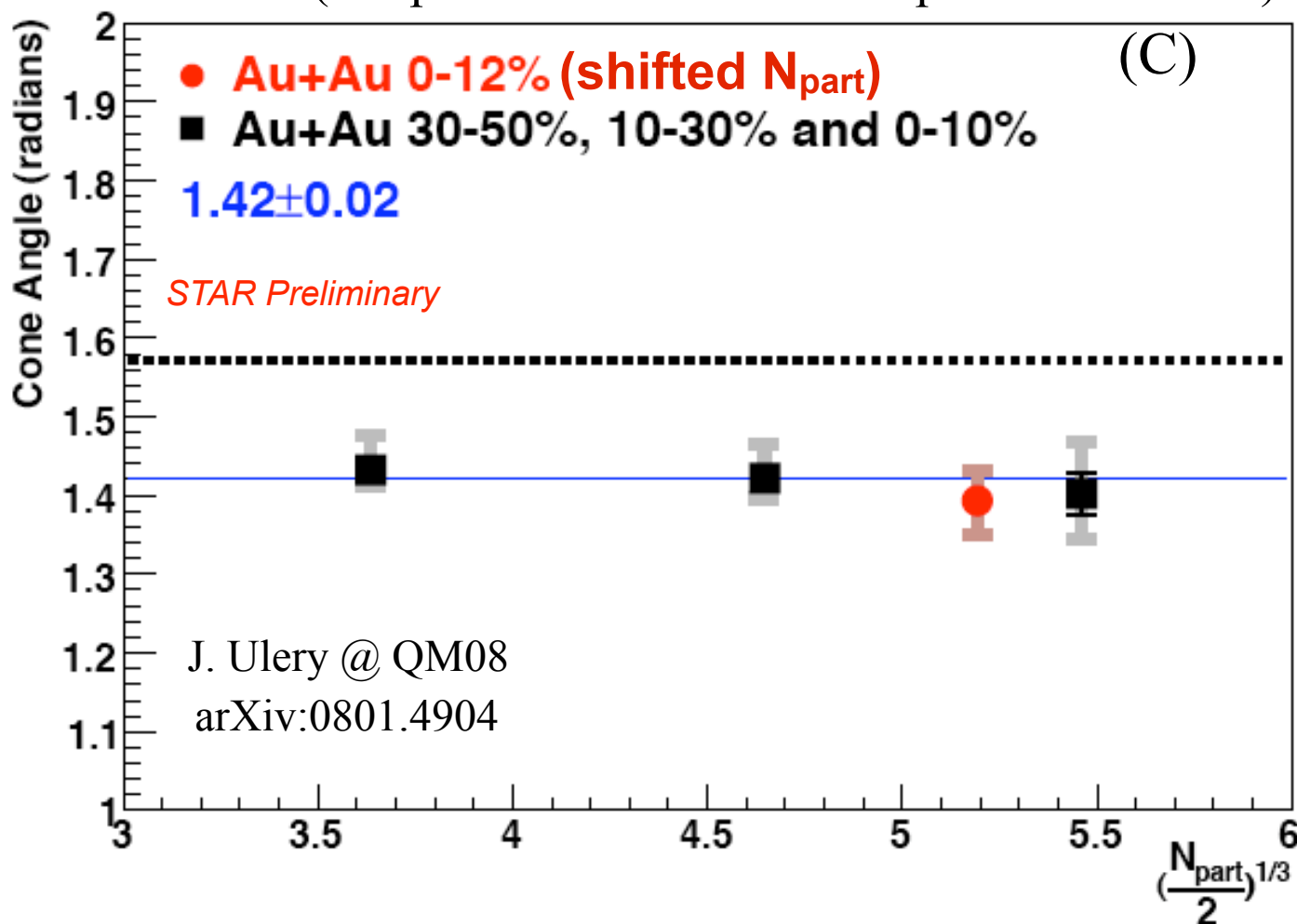
$(3 < p_T^{\text{Trig}} < 4 \text{ GeV}/c \text{ and } 1 < p_T^{\text{Asso}} < 2 \text{ GeV}/c)$



- Signals increase with N_{part} in different areas.
- On- and off- diagonal signals exist in A+A.

CENTRALITY DEPENDENCE of emission angle

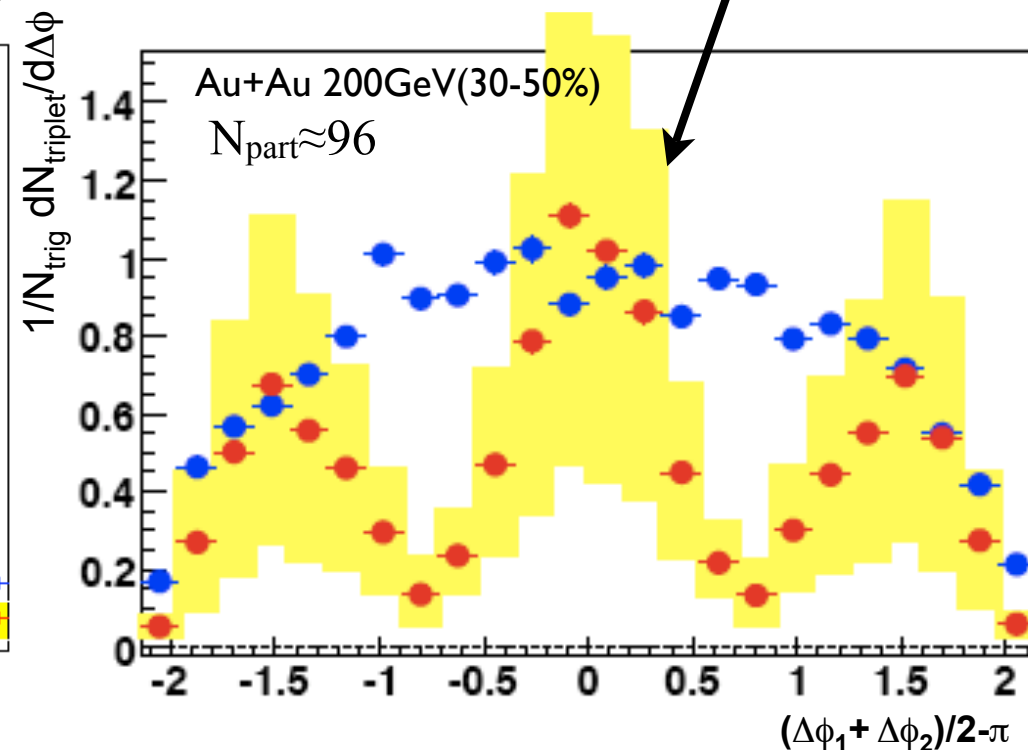
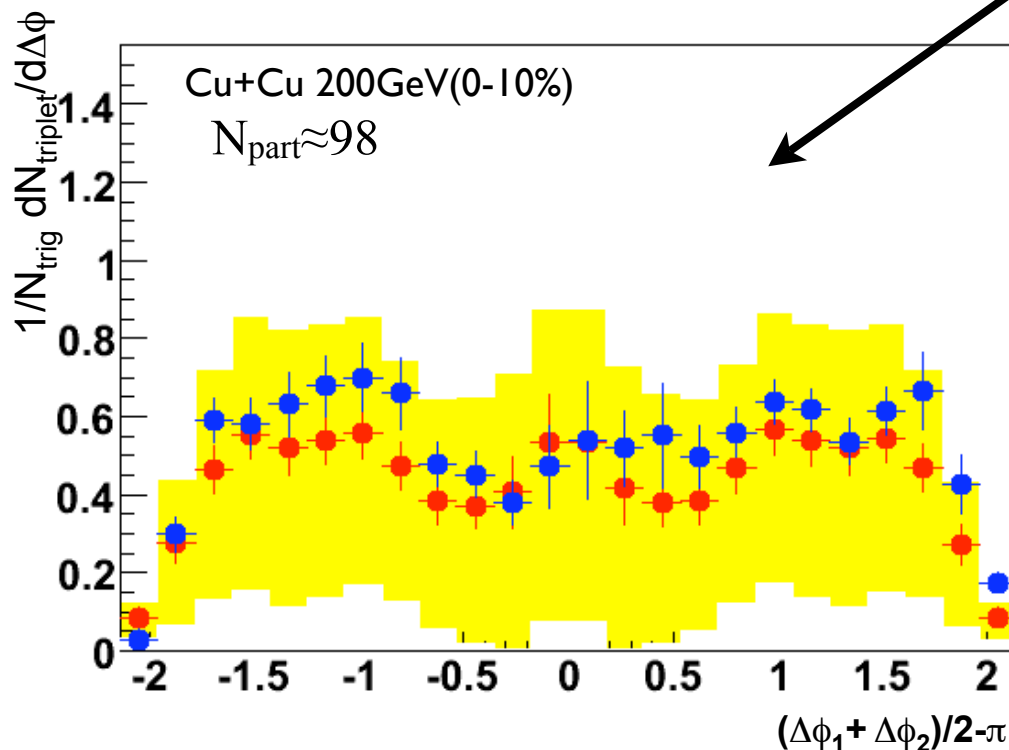
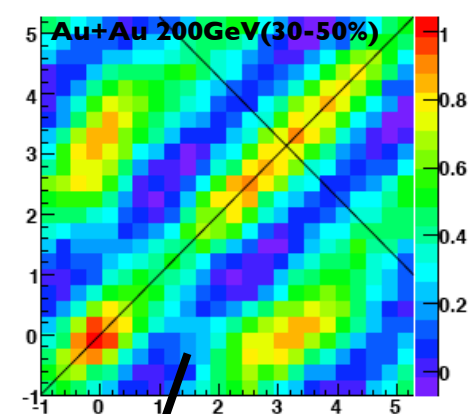
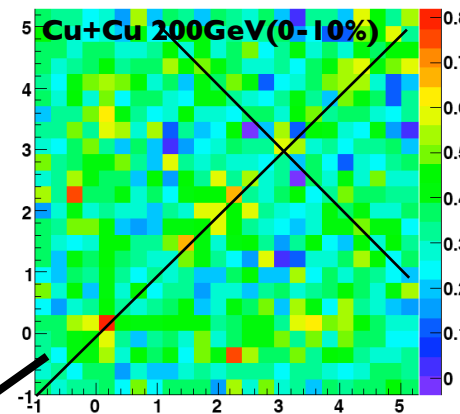
$(3 < p_T^{\text{Trig}} < 4 \text{ GeV}/c \text{ and } 1 < p_T^{\text{Asso}} < 2 \text{ GeV}/c)$



- constant dependence of cone angle on system size.

Cu+Cu vs Au+Au

$(3 < p_T^{\text{Trig}} < 4 \text{ GeV}/c \text{ and } 1 < p_T^{\text{Asso}} < 2 \text{ GeV}/c)$



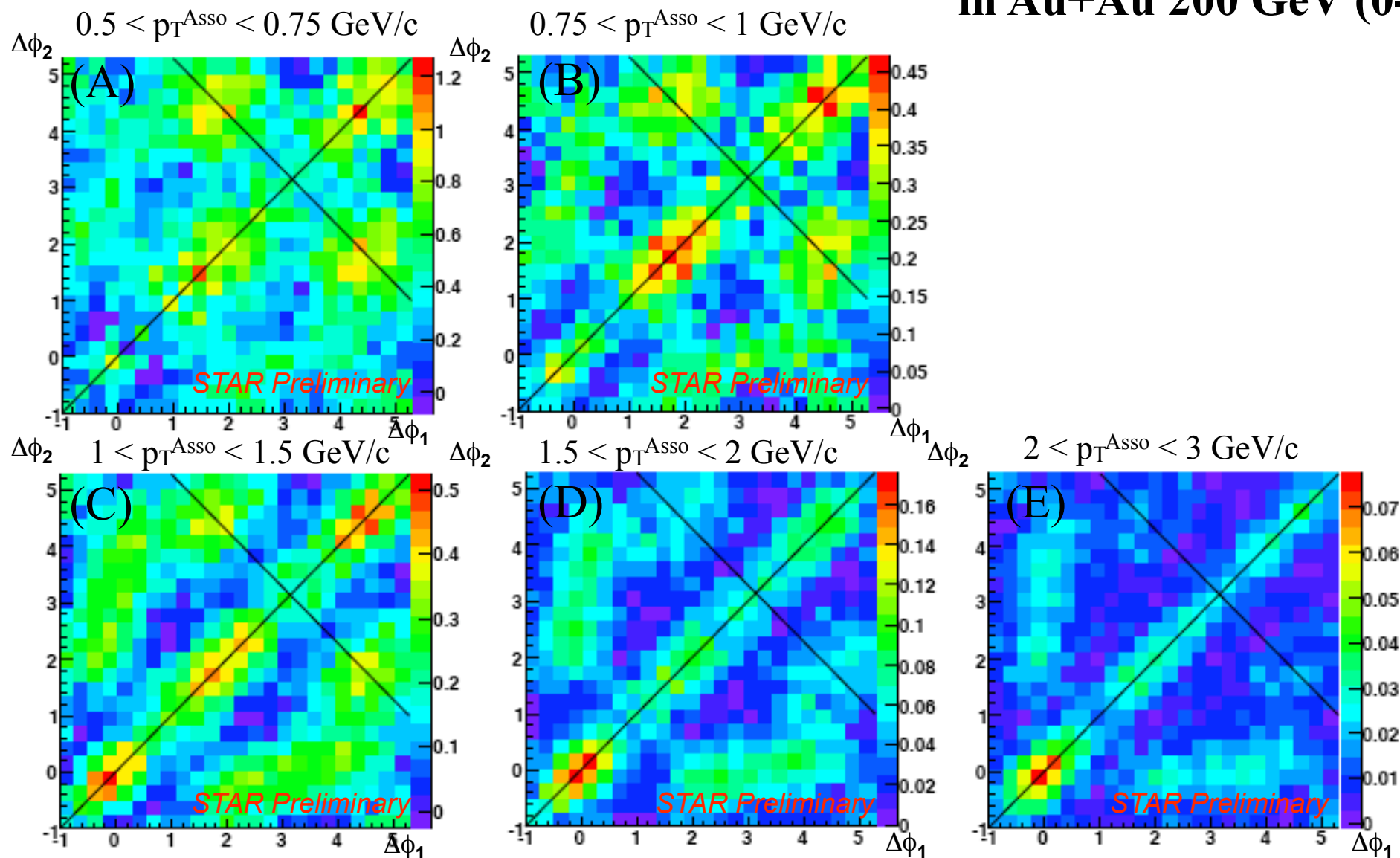
- the off-diagonal projection
- the diagonal projection

There seems some difference between Cu+Cu and Au+Au, which needs more further studies.



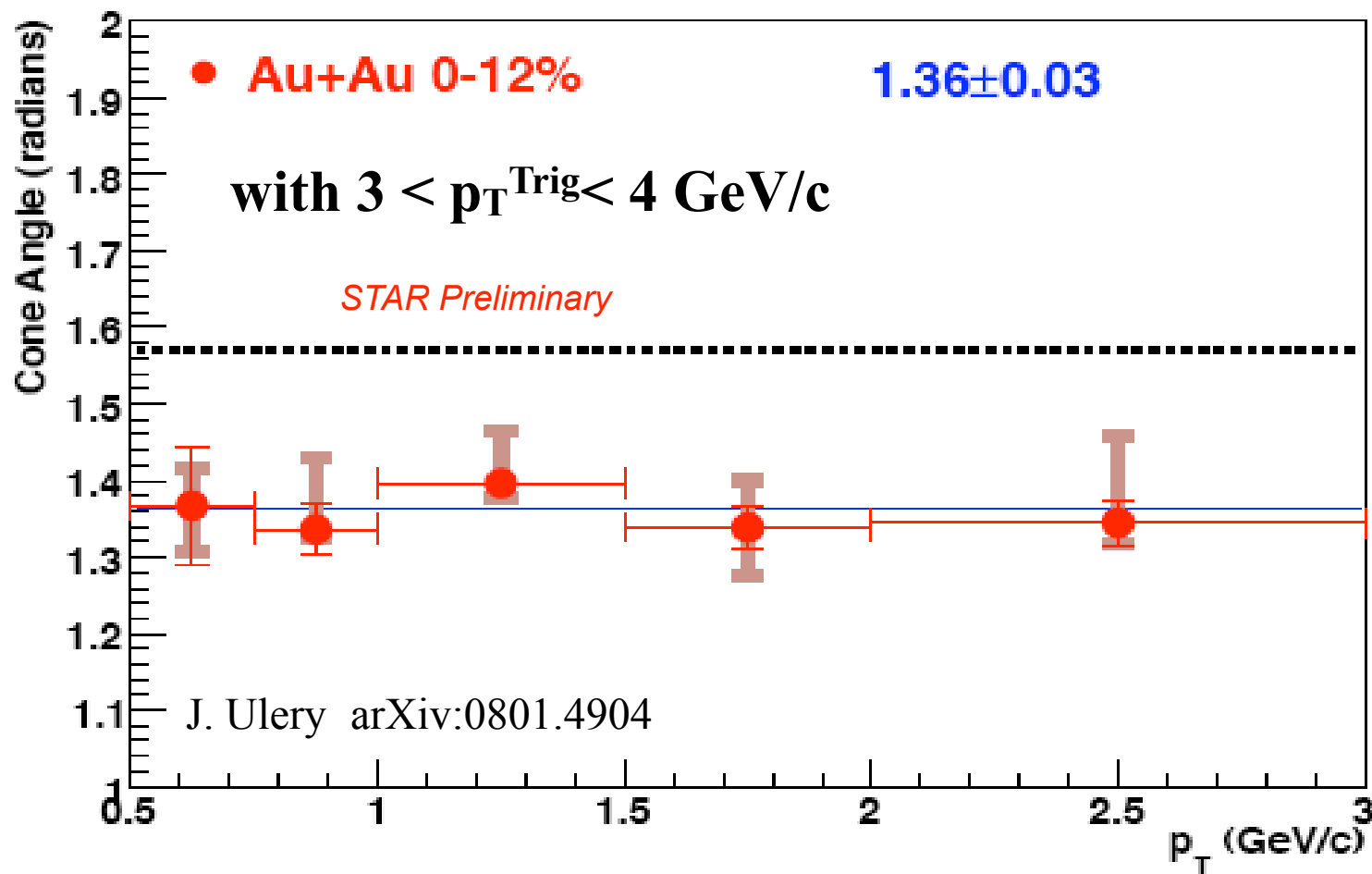
(2) p_T^{asso} DEPENDENCE

with $3 < p_T^{\text{Trig}} < 4$ GeV/c
in Au+Au 200 GeV (0-12%)



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p_T^{Asso} DEPENDENCE of emission angle

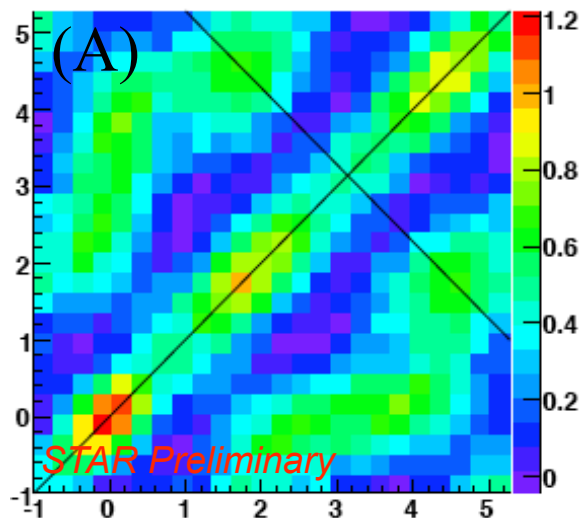


- p_T^{Asso} -independent cone angle, consistent the prediction of Mach-cone, and inconsistent with that of Čerenkov.

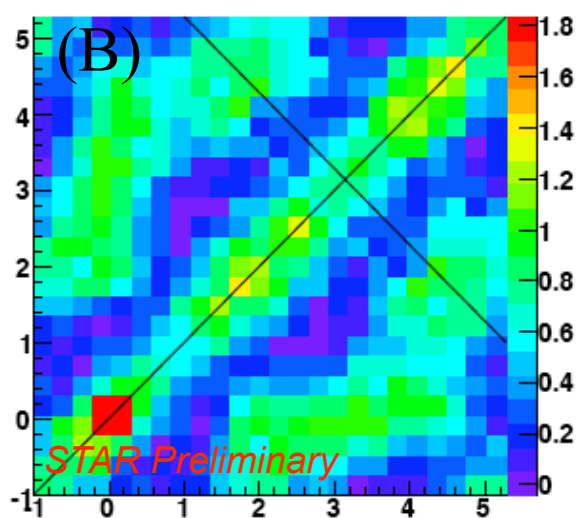
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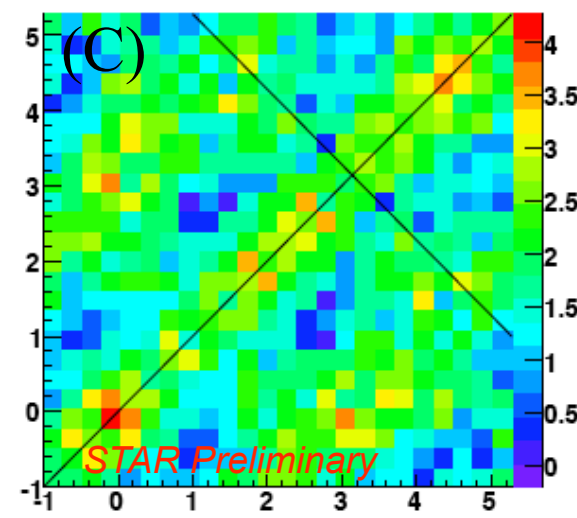
$3 < p_T^{\text{Trig}} < 4 \text{ GeV}/c$



$4 < p_T^{\text{Trig}} < 6 \text{ GeV}/c$



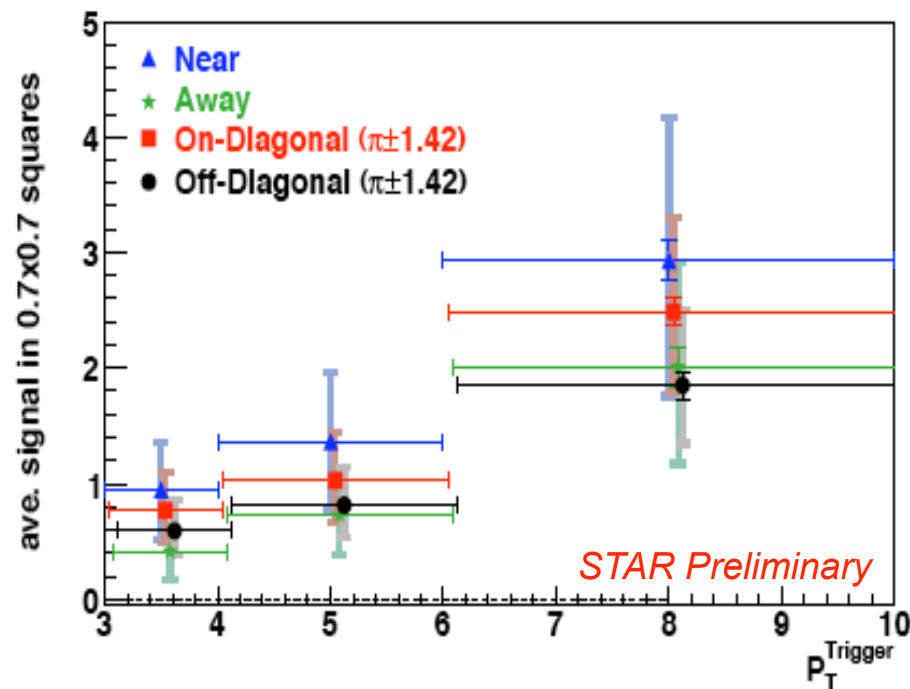
$6 < p_T^{\text{Trig}} < 10 \text{ GeV}/c$



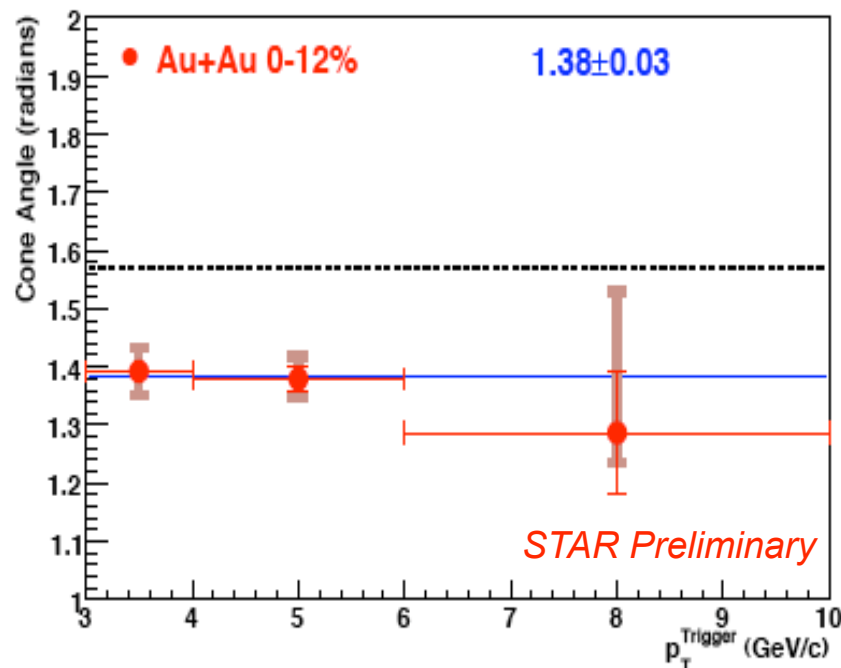
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- Three-particle correlations with trigger particles of $3 < p_T^{\text{Trig}} < 4$ (A), $4 < p_T^{\text{Trig}} < 6$ (B) and $6 < p_T^{\text{Trig}} < 10$ (C) and associated particles of $1 < p_T^{\text{Asso}} < 2 \text{ GeV}/c$ for Au+Au collisions (0-12%) at $\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 200 \text{ GeV}/c$;

p_T^{Trig} DEPENDENCES of average yield from different regions and emission angle



— with $1 < p_T^{\text{Asso}} < 2$ GeV/c

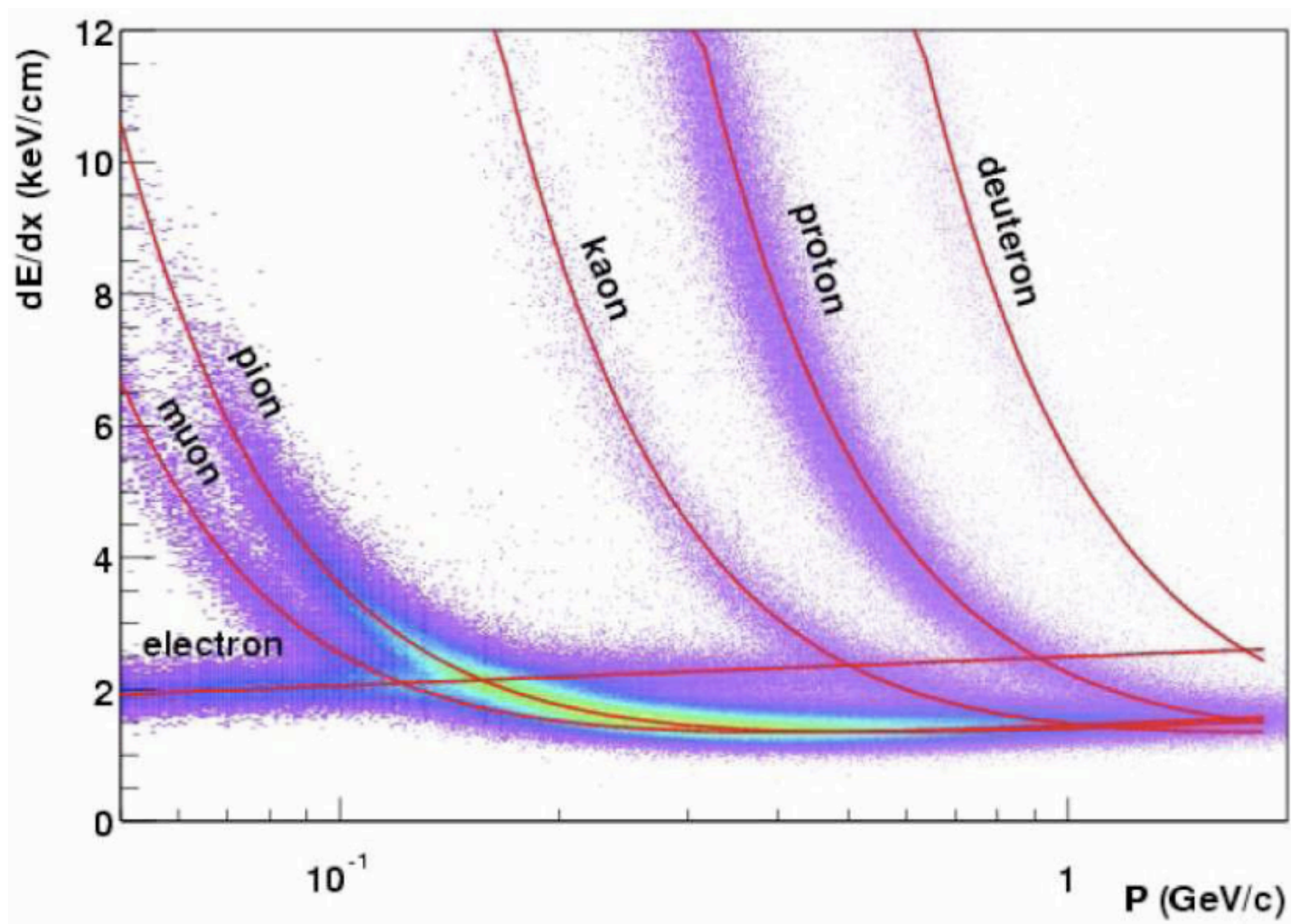


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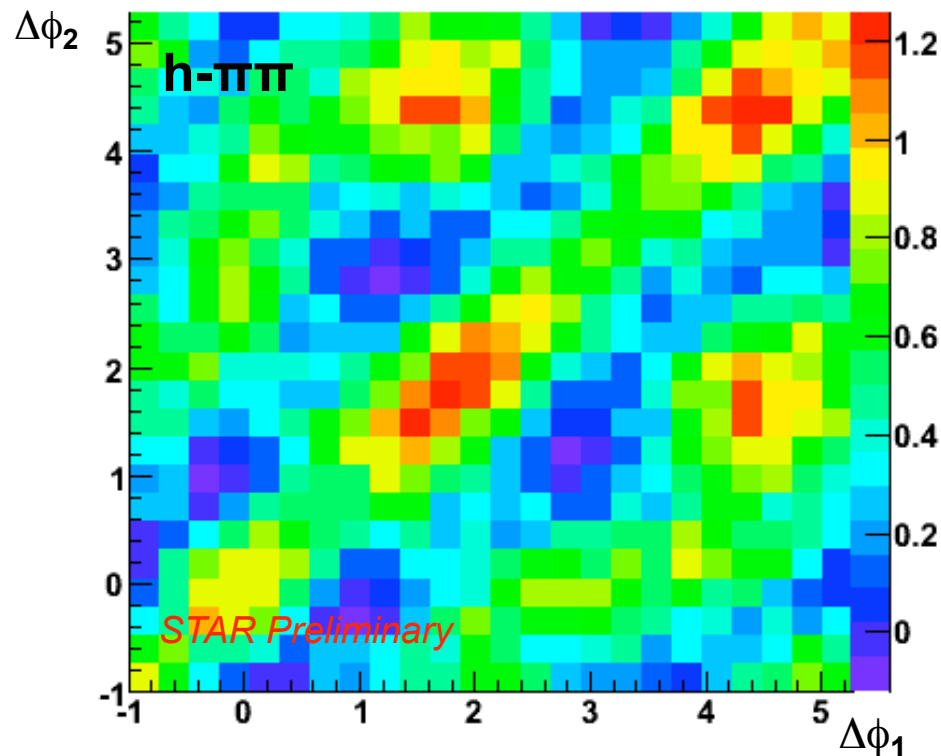
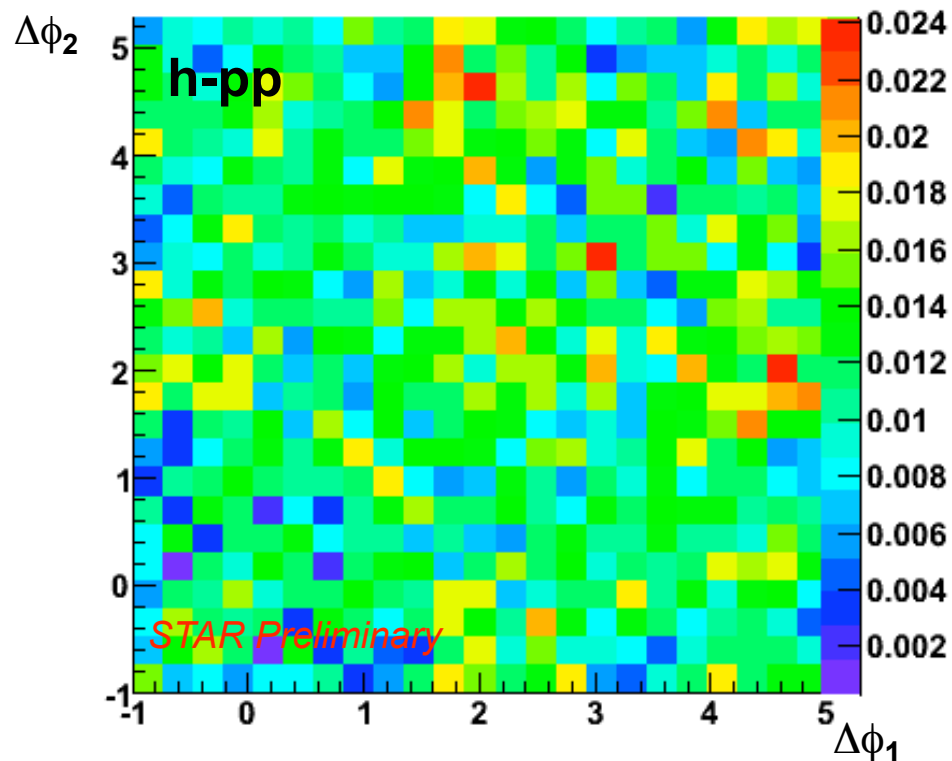
PARTICLE IDENTIFICATION

———— for PID 3-particle correlation



PID 3-PARTICLE CORRELATIONS

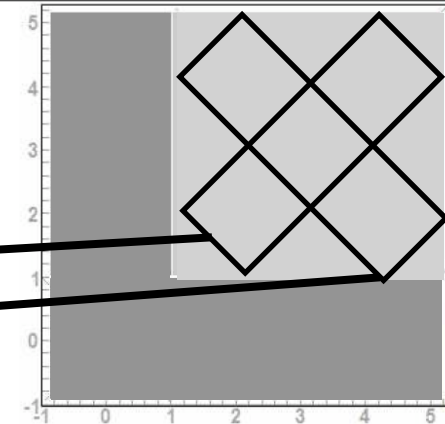
———— h-pp and h- $\pi\pi$



- $2.5 < p_T^{\text{Trig}} < 10 \text{ GeV}/c$ and $0.7 < p_T^{\text{asso}} < 1.4 \text{ GeV}/c$ in Au +Au collisions (0-12%) at $\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 200 \text{ GeV}$.
- More statistics needed.

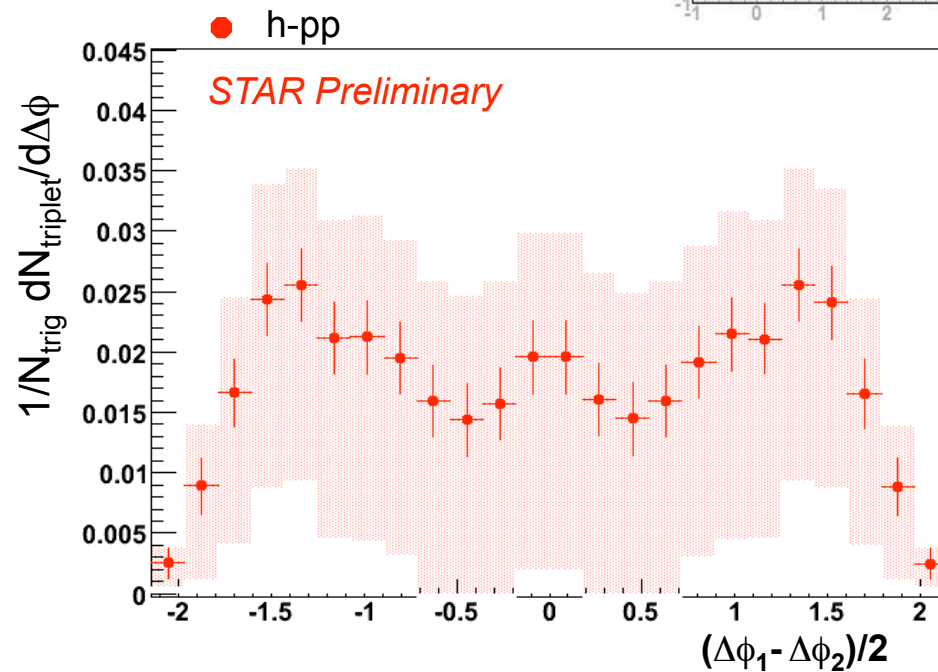
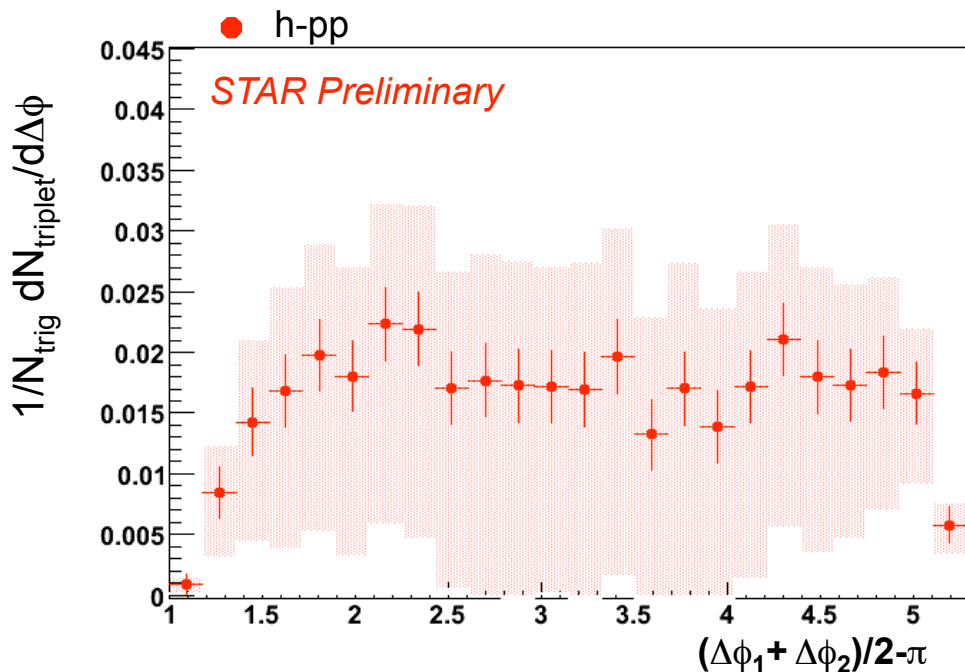
PID 3-PARTICLE CORRELATIONS

— diagonal and off-diagonal projections



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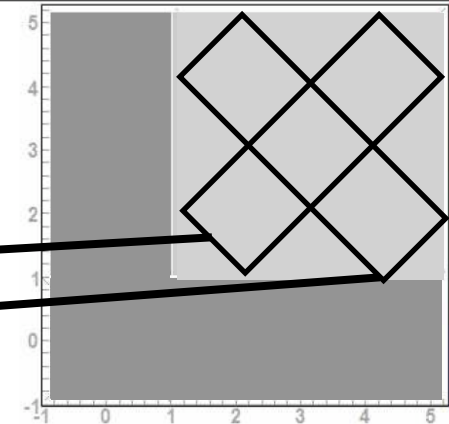
off-diagonal: ←



● the diagonal and off-diagonal projections of 'h-pp'

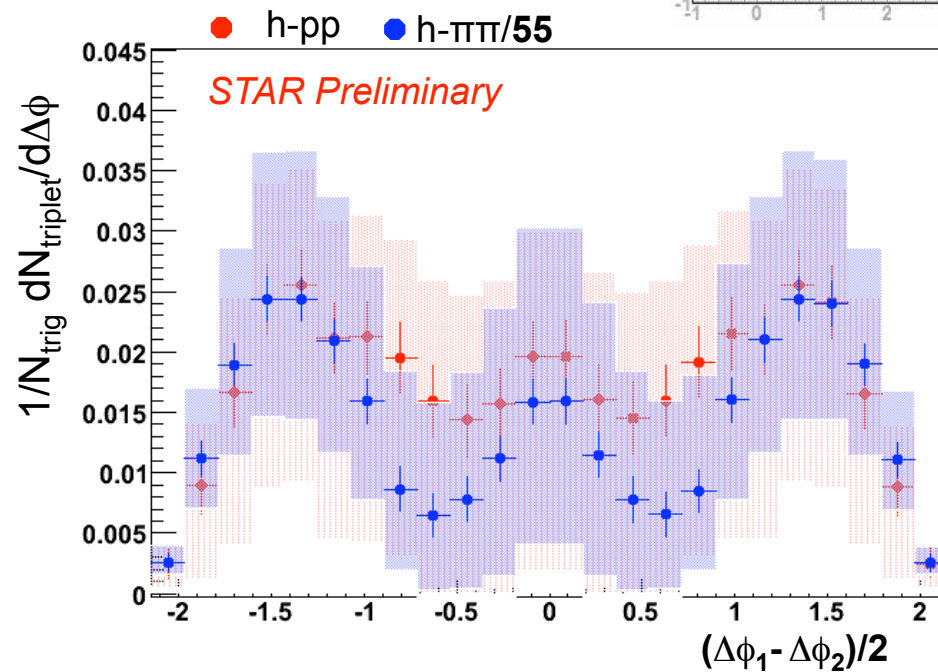
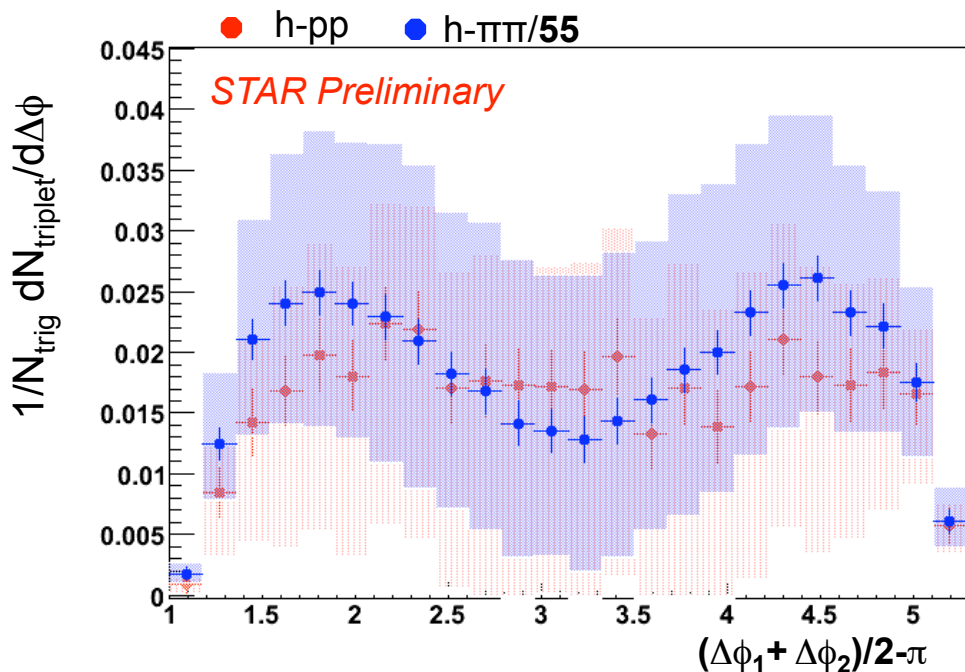
PID 3-PARTICLE CORRELATIONS

— diagonal and off-diagonal projections



diagonal: ←

off-diagonal: ←

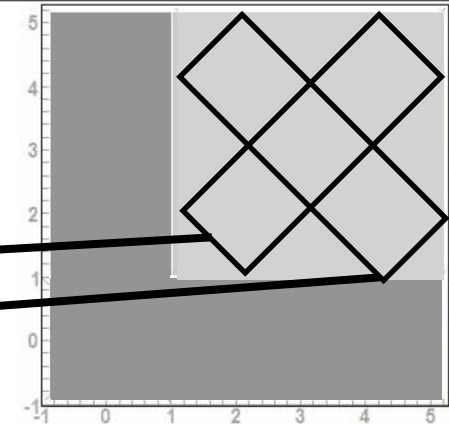


- the diagonal and off-diagonal projections of ‘h-p’
- the diagonal and off-diagonal projections of ‘h-ππ’ (scaled by 1/55)

➡ Needs more statistics.

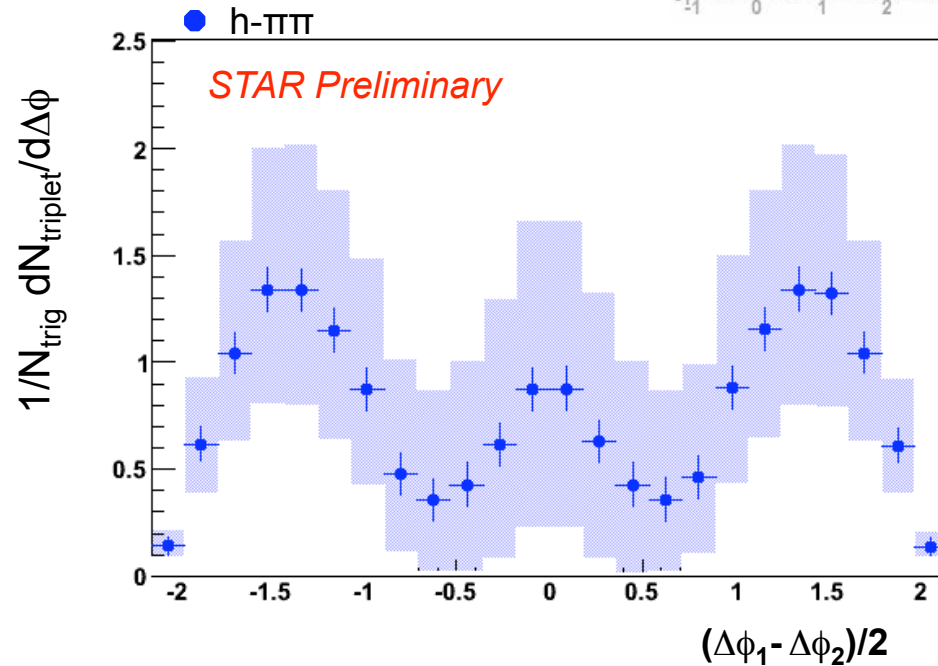
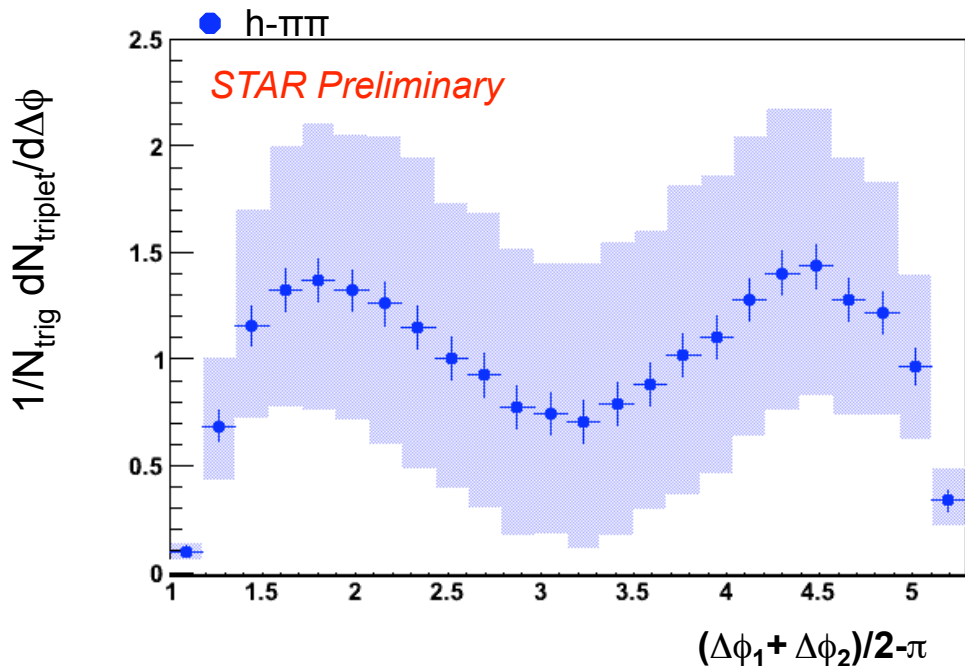
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— diagonal and off-diagonal projections



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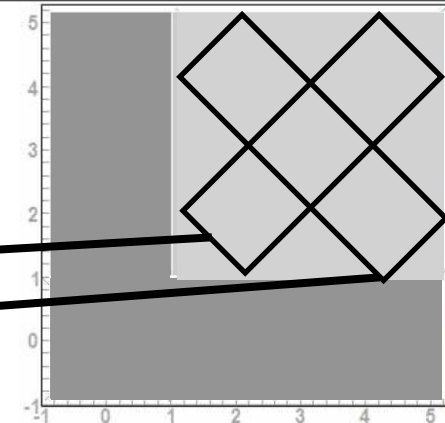
off-diagonal: ←



● the diagonal and off-diagonal projections of ‘h- $\pi\pi$ ’ ($2.5 < p_{\text{T}}^{\text{Trig}} < 10 \text{ GeV}/c$ and $0.7 < p_{\text{T}}^{\text{Asso}} < 1.4 \text{ GeV}/c$)

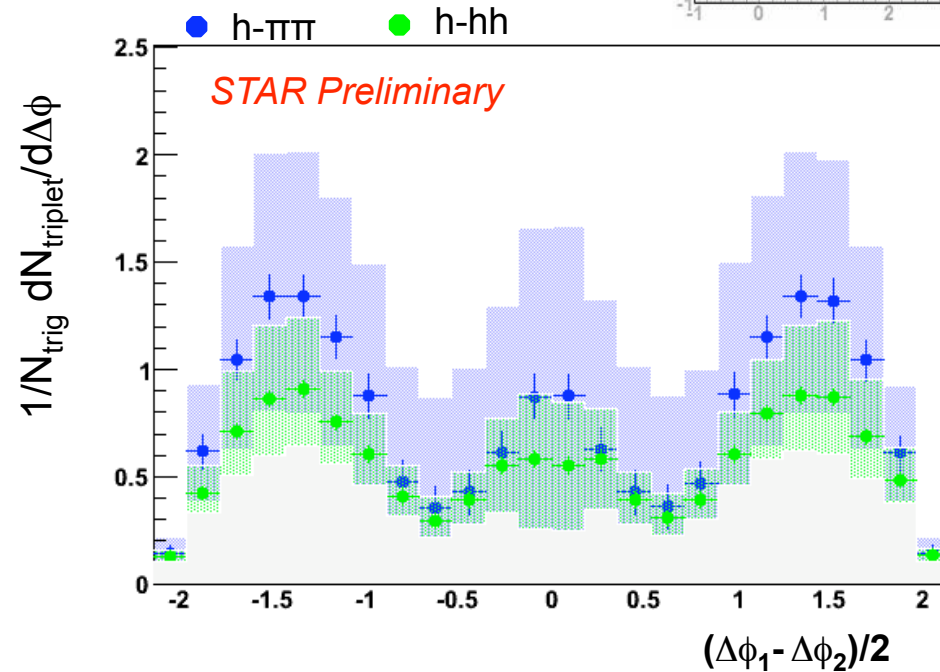
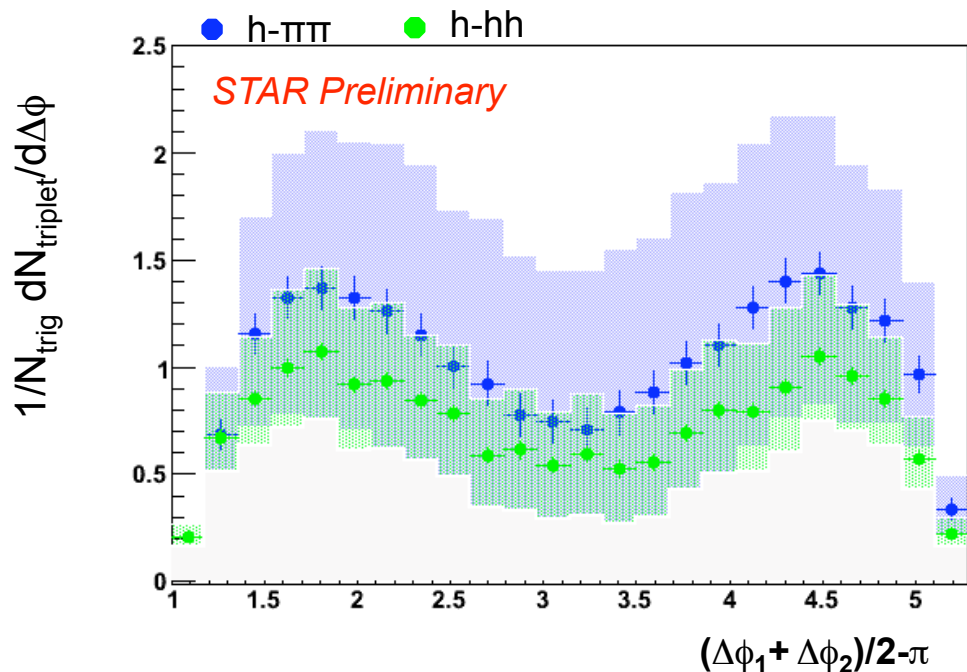
PID 3-PARTICLE CORRELATIONS

— diagonal and off-diagonal projections



diagonal: ←

off-diagonal: ←



- the diagonal and off-diagonal projections of ‘h- $\pi\pi$ ’ ($2.5 < p_T^{\text{Trig}} < 10$ GeV/c and $0.7 < p_T^{\text{Asso}} < 1.4$ GeV/c)
- the diagonal and off-diagonal projections of ‘h-hh’ ($3 < p_T^{\text{Trig}} < 4$ GeV/c and $0.75 < p_T^{\text{Asso}} < 1.0$ GeV/c + $1.0 < p_T^{\text{Asso}} < 1.5$ GeV/c)



3-PARTICLE CORRELATION AT LHC

- rich statistics of very high p_T trigger particles
- three-particle correlation with high p_T associated PID particles
- three-particle correlation with charm and bottom trigger particles
- ...



CONCLUSIONS

- (1) A systematic study of three-particle correlation vs system (size), p_T^{Assso} , and p_T^{Trig} .
- (2) p_T^{Assso} -independent cone angle consistent with Mach-cone emission, inconsistent with Čerenkov radiation.
- (3) New data from Cu+Cu, and identified 'h-pp' and 'h- $\pi\pi$ ' in central Au+Au.
- (4) No significant difference observed between 'h-pp' and 'h- $\pi\pi$ ' in shape within systematic error.
- (5) More chances at LHC for three-particle correlation.



Thanks!



Back up



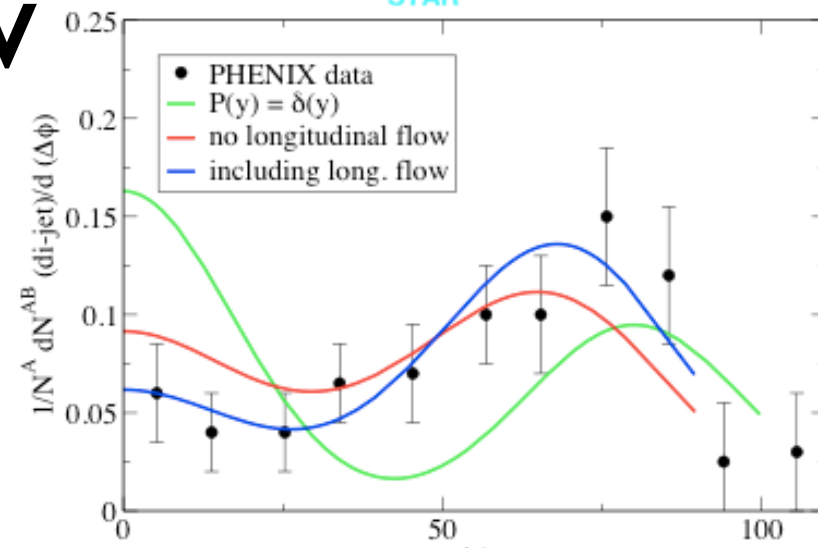
Speed of sound in different phases

Phase	Speed of Sound
QGP	$1/\sqrt{3} c = 0.58 c$
Mixed Phase	0
Resonance Gas	0.47 c
Exp. Data *	0.15 c

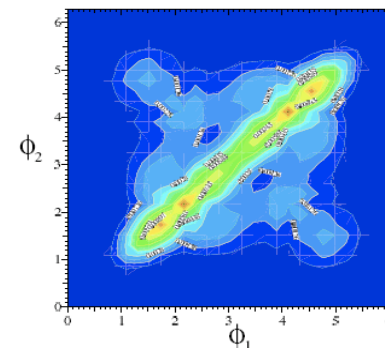
*Note: If $\theta^M = 1.42$ rad and $\cos(\theta^M) = c_s/c$, then $c_s = 0.15c$

Mach-cone and flow

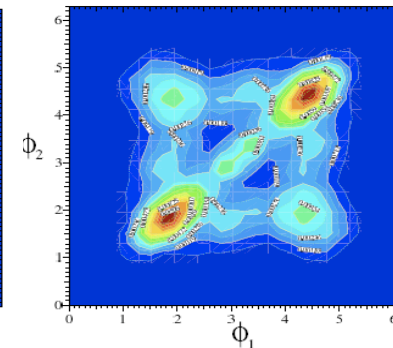
- Rapidity distribution and longitudinal flow affects the observed **angle** and **width**.
- Transverse flow affects **shape** of 3-particle correlation.
 - signal at ~ 1 GeV/c ~ 9 x larger if flow and shockwave aligned than if perpendicular.



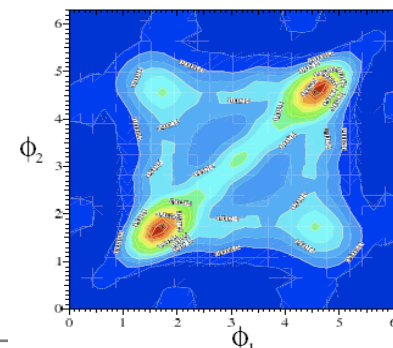
Box density



T_A density



T_A density, Bjorken evolution

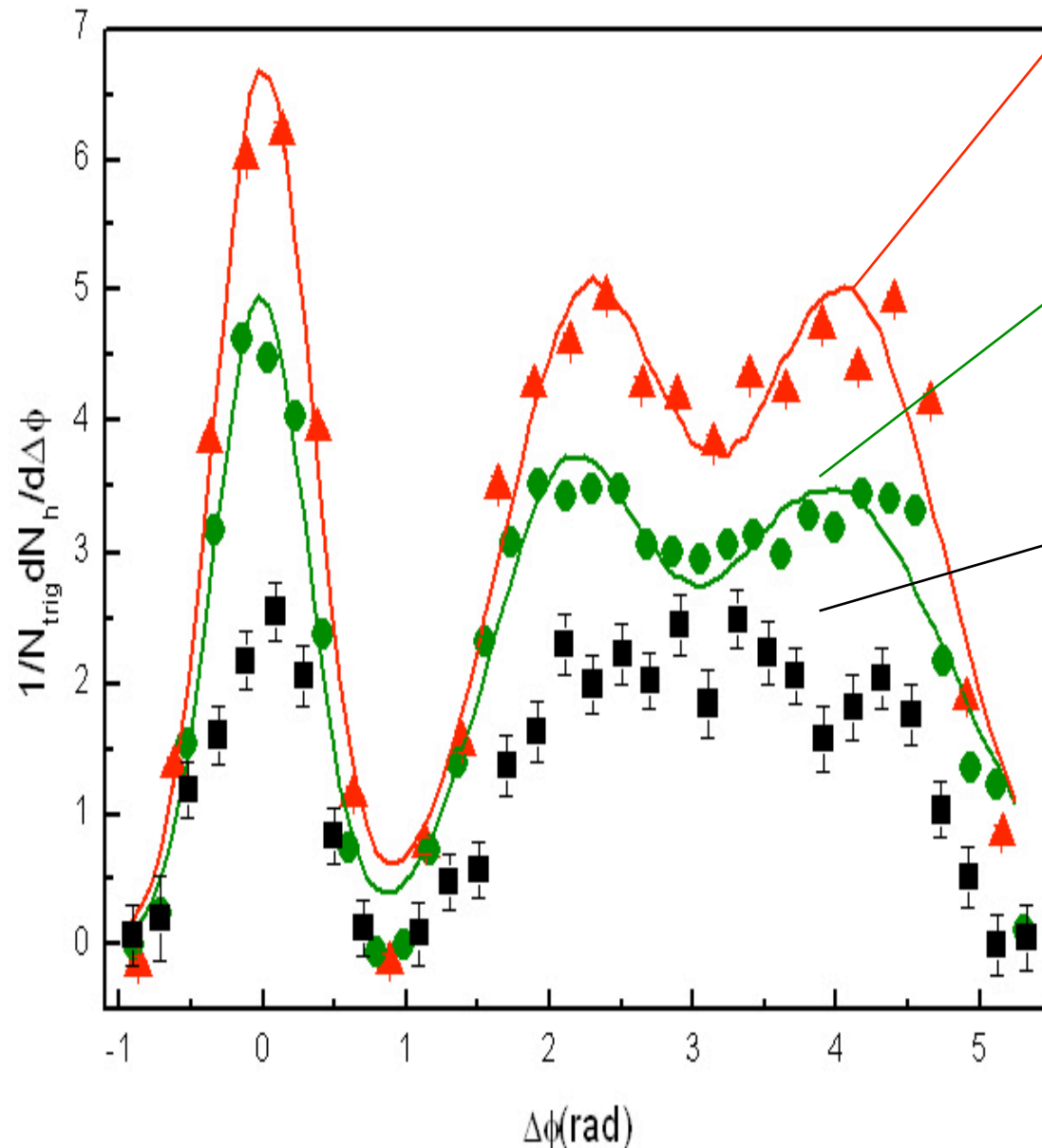


$$E \frac{d^3 N}{d^3 p} = \frac{g}{(2\pi)^3} \int d\sigma_\mu p^\mu \exp \left[\frac{p^\mu (u_\mu^{\text{flow}} + u_\mu^{\text{shock}}) - \mu_i}{T_f} \right]$$

 Renk, Ruppert,
 Phys. Rev. **C76**, 014908 (2007)

$\Delta\phi$ correlations from AMPT

$(3 < p_T^{\text{trigger}} < 6 \text{ GeV}/c, 0.15 < p_T^{\text{assoc}} < 3 \text{ GeV}/c)$



▲ melting version with hadronic rescattering (10mb)

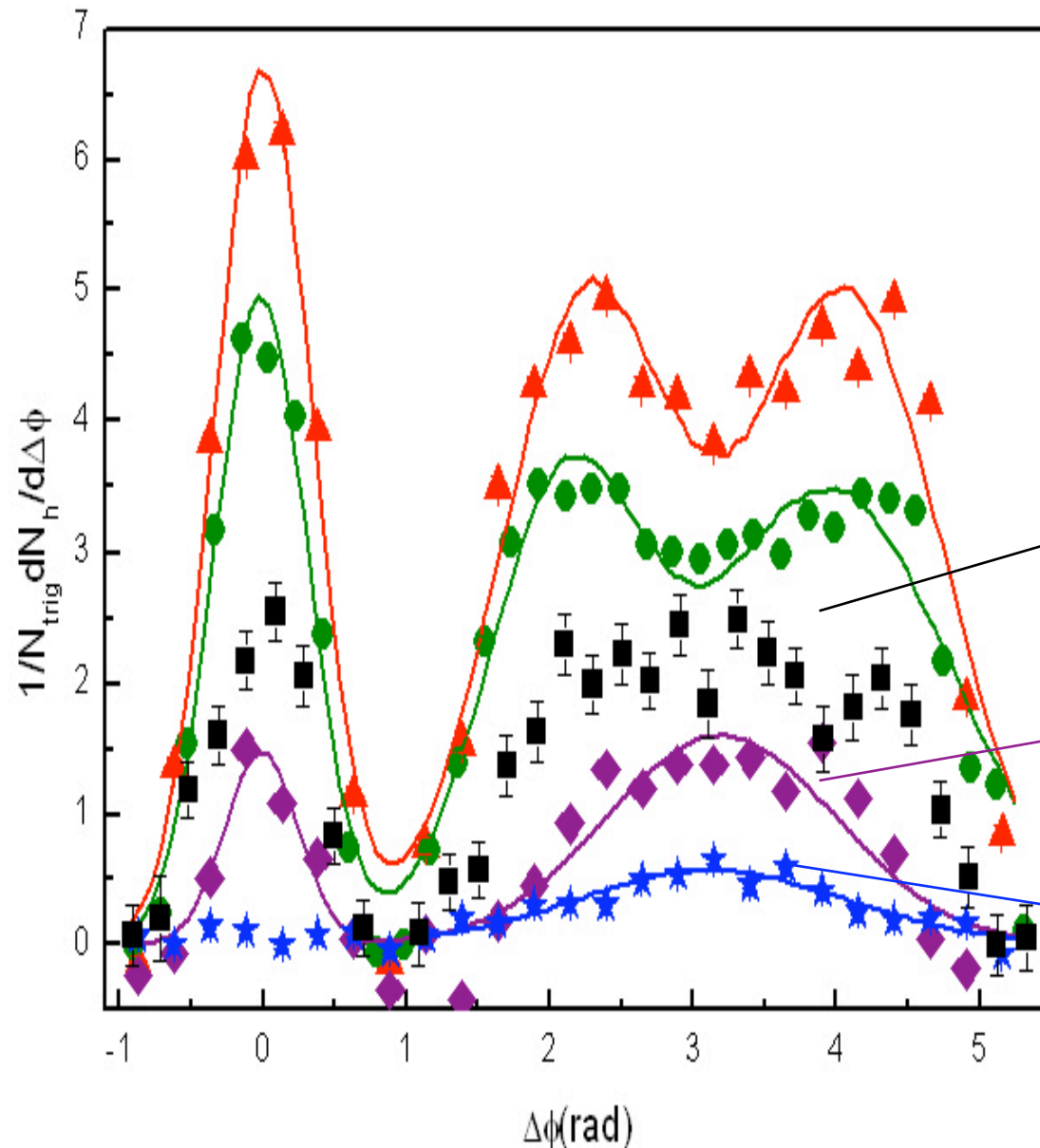
● melting version without hadronic rescattering (10mb)

■ STAR data
0-5% (4-6)x(0.15-4) GeV/c

- *Mach-like structure is born in strong parton cascade process, and furthermore developed in hadronic rescattering process.*
- *The problem of excessive correlation magnitude.*

$\Delta\phi$ correlations from AMPT

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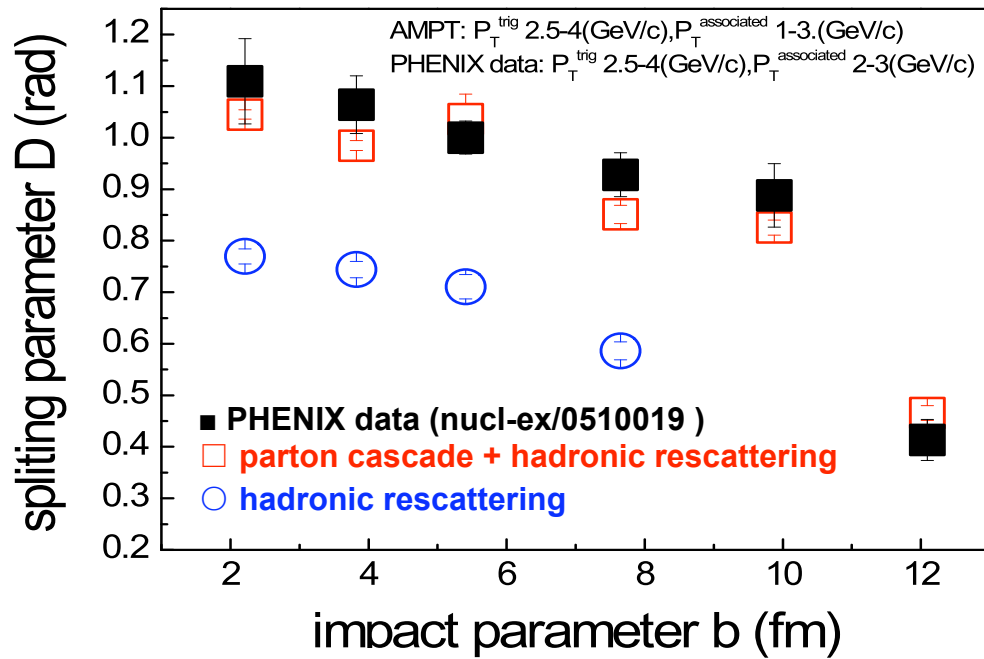
➤ *No splitting is seen on away side under the soft p_T cut in default version (only with hadronic rescattering)!*

■ STAR data
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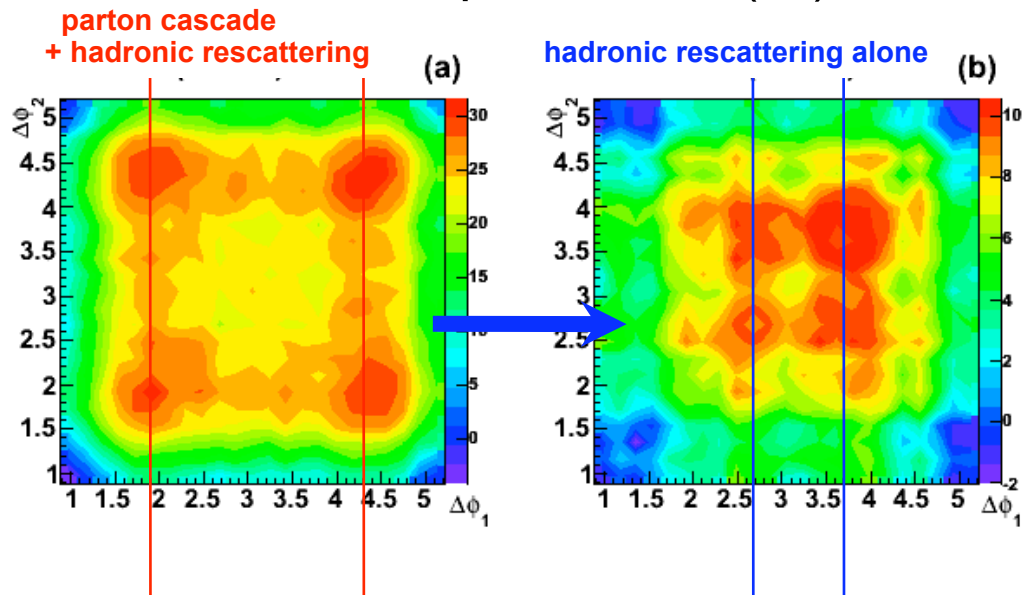
◆ default version with
hadronic rescattering

★ default version without
hadronic rescattering

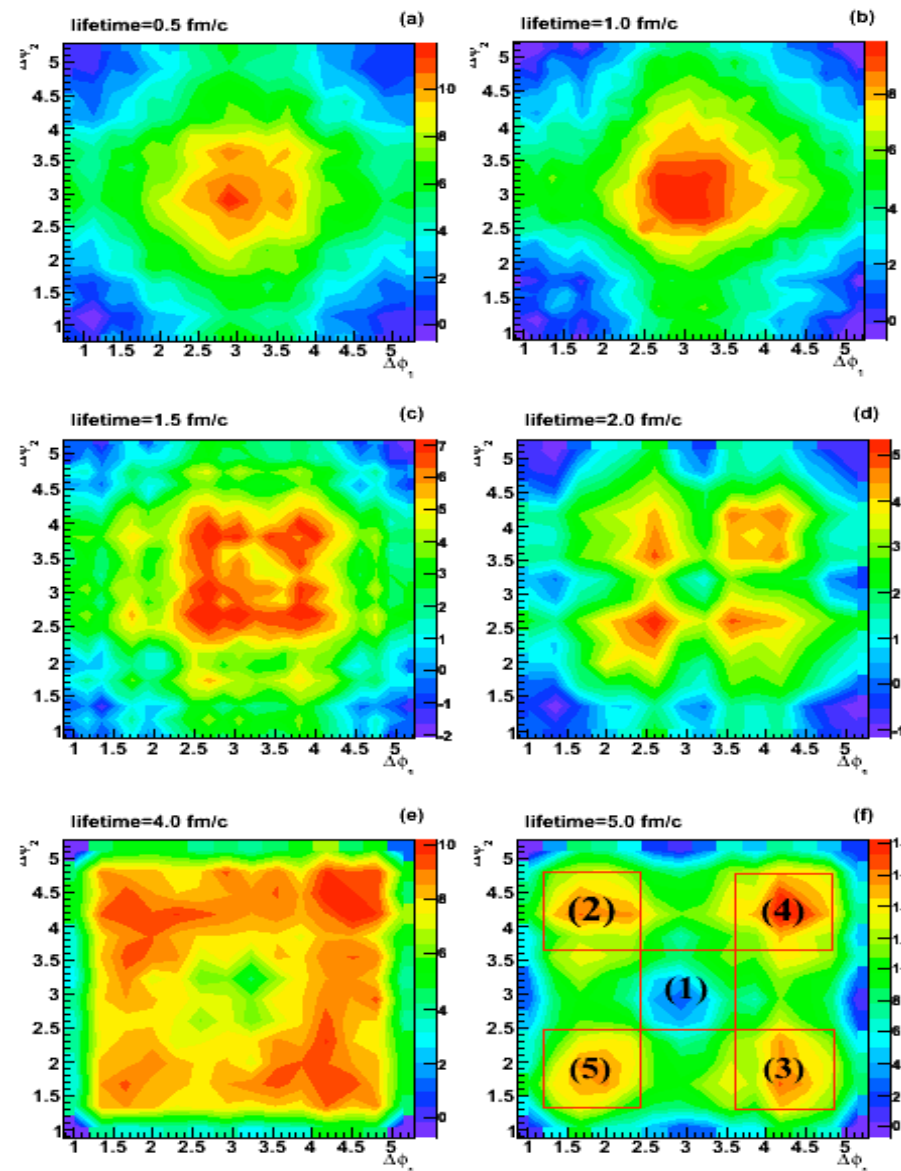
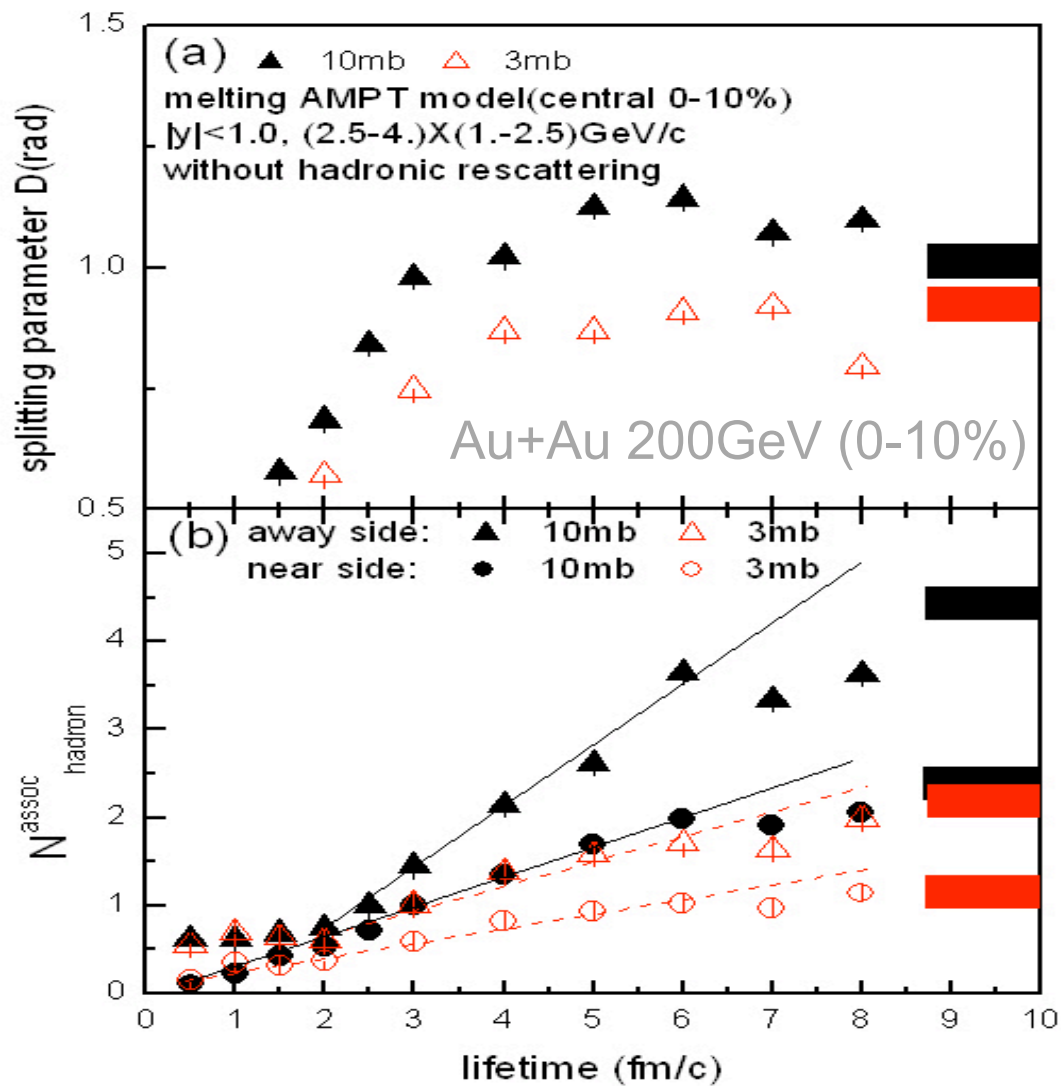
Parton cascade effect on 2- and 3-particle correlations



- 1) *Hadronic rescattering mechanism alone can not give big enough splitting parameters and correlation areas.*
- 2) *Parton cascade mechanism is essential for describing the splitting amplitude of experimental Mach-like structure.*
- 3) *Large energy loss in dense partonic medium.*

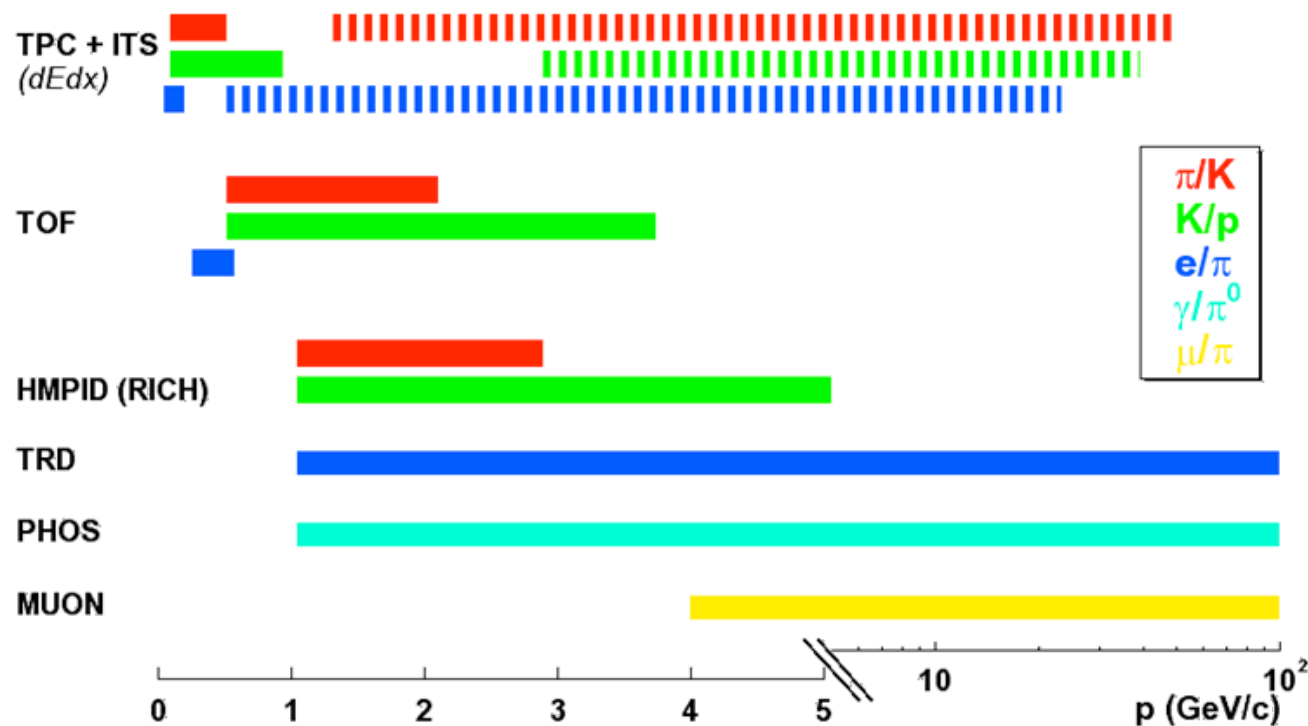


Partonic Mach-like Shock Wave





Particle Identification in ALICE



- 'stable' hadrons (π , K, p): $100 \text{ MeV}/c < p < 5 \text{ GeV}/c$; (π and p with $\sim 80\%$ purity to $\sim 60 \text{ GeV}/c$)
 - dE/dx in silicon (ITS) and gas (TPC) + time-of-flight (TOF) + Cherenkov (RICH)
- decay topologies (K^0 , K^+ , K^- , Λ , D)
 - K and L decays beyond $10 \text{ GeV}/c$
- leptons (e, μ), photons, π^0
 - electrons TRD: $p > 1 \text{ GeV}/c$, muons: $p > 5 \text{ GeV}/c$, π^0 in PHOS: $1 < p < 80 \text{ GeV}/c$

• excellent particle ID up to ~ 50 to $60 \text{ GeV}/c$