

Jet Measurements with Neutral and Di-jet Triggers in Central Au+Au Collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV with STAR

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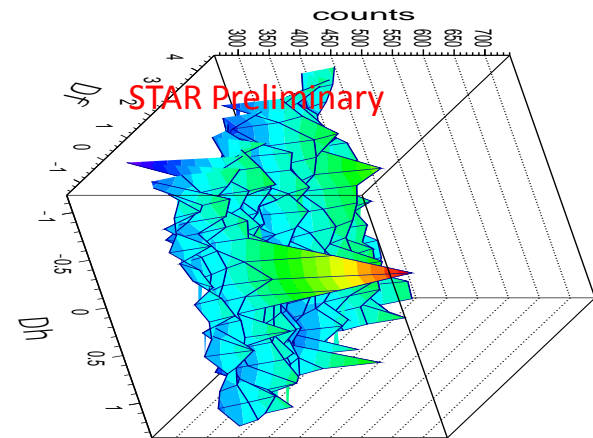
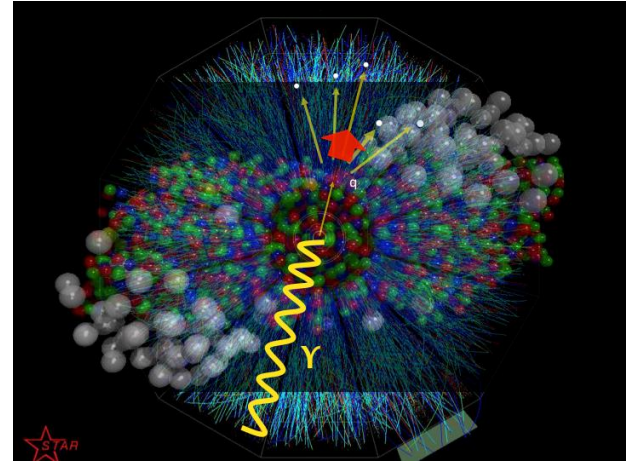


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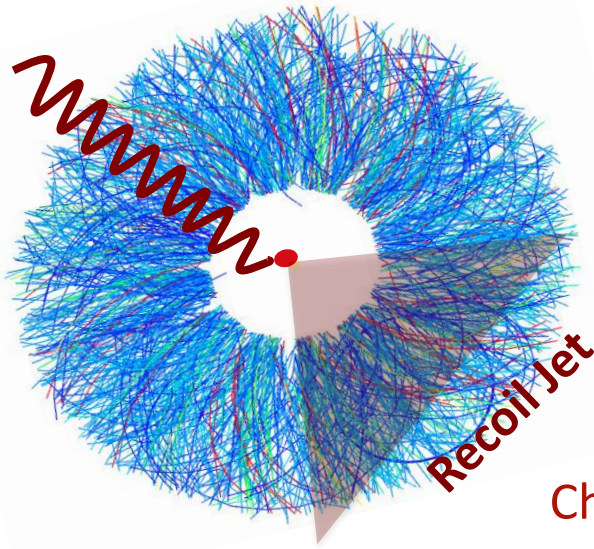
Two measurements

1. Neutral trigger jets:
 γ +jet and **π^0 +jet**

1. Di-jet energy imbalance
in heavy-ion collisions at
the STAR experiment



Motivation for γ +jet



- Good tomographic probe

Direct photon:

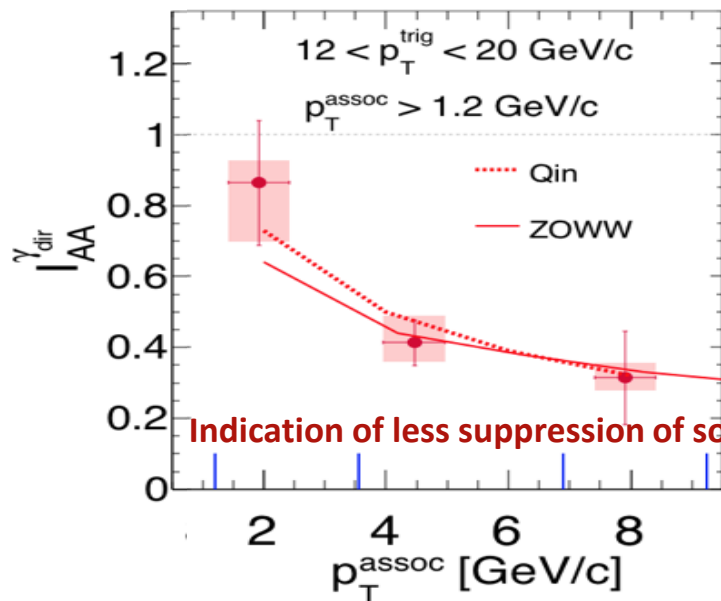
- Transverse energy approximates that of initial recoil parton p_T
- Not surface biased

Challenging γ +jet measurement

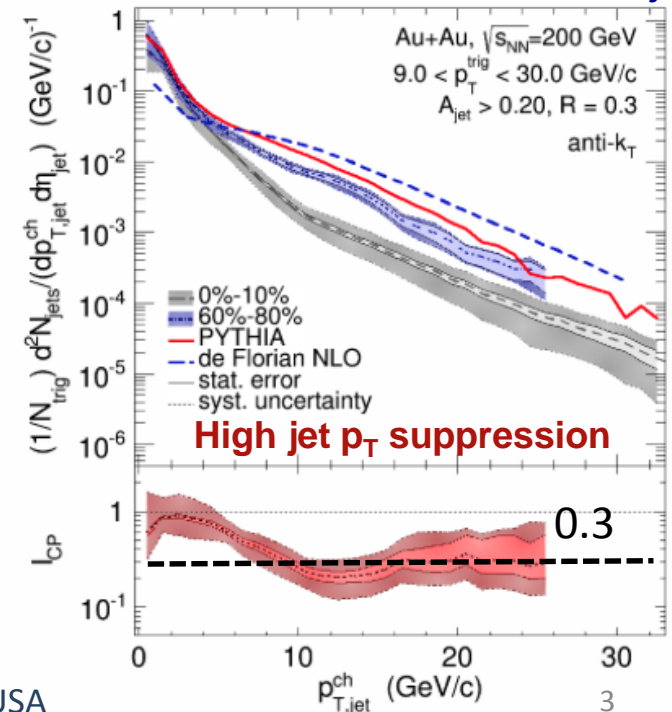
(h^\pm +jet: arXiv:1702.01108)

Semi-inclusive h^\pm +jet

γ +hadron correlation [PLB 760 (2016) 689]

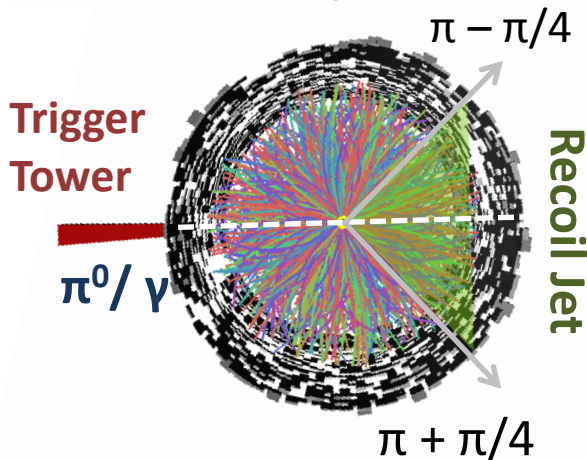
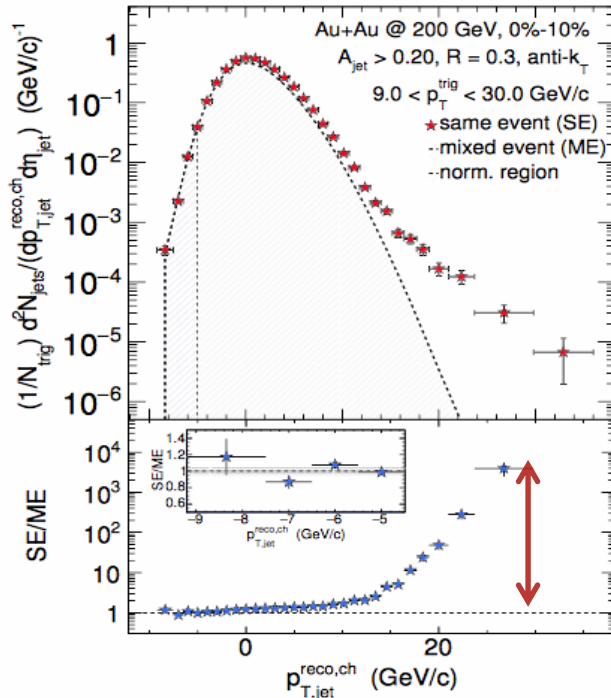


Investigating γ +jet events by combining these two analyses



Semi-inclusive recoil jets

$h^\pm + \text{jet} : 9 < p_T^{\text{trig}} < 30 \text{ GeV}/c$



- A new mixed event (ME) method to correct the uncorrelated background jets in HIC
- Large signal to background at high jet p_T^{reco}
- Charged jet reconstruction (using FastJet3.0.6)
 - k_T algo. for bkgd. Subtraction and anti- k_T algo. for jet reconstruction

$$p_{T, \text{jet}}^{\text{reco, ch}} = p_{T, \text{jet}}^{\text{raw, ch}} - \rho A_{\text{jet}}$$

R: Jet resolution parameter (jet radius), **A_{jet}**: Active jet area and **ρ**: ave. momentum density (k_T algo.)

$$\rho \equiv \text{median} \left[\left\{ \frac{p_T^{\text{jet}}}{A_{\text{jet}}} \right\} \right]$$

[$h^\pm + \text{jet}$: arXiv:1702.01108]

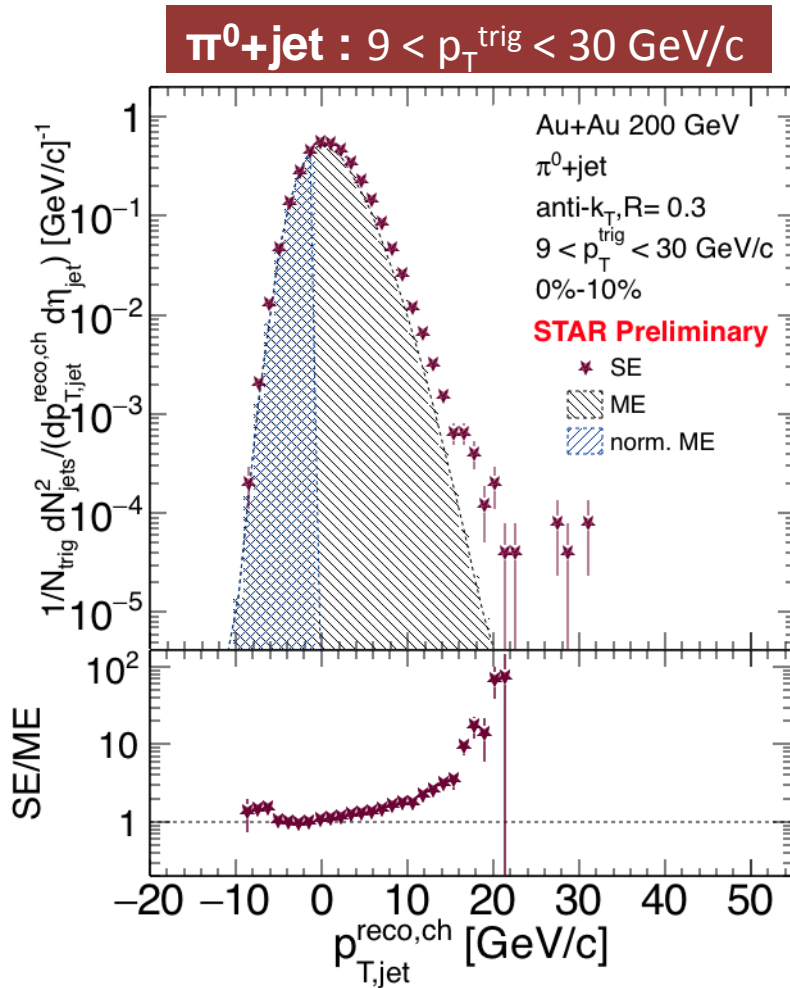
- π^0/γ discrimination in heavy-ion experiment
 - STAR barrel electromagnetic calorimeter (BEMC) and shower maximum detector (BSMD)
 - Transverse shower profile (TSP) method

[STAR:PLB 760 (2016) 689]

$$\Delta\phi \in \left[\frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{4} \right]$$

Now move to $\pi^0 + \text{jet}$ in Au+Au collisions

Background subtraction and correction

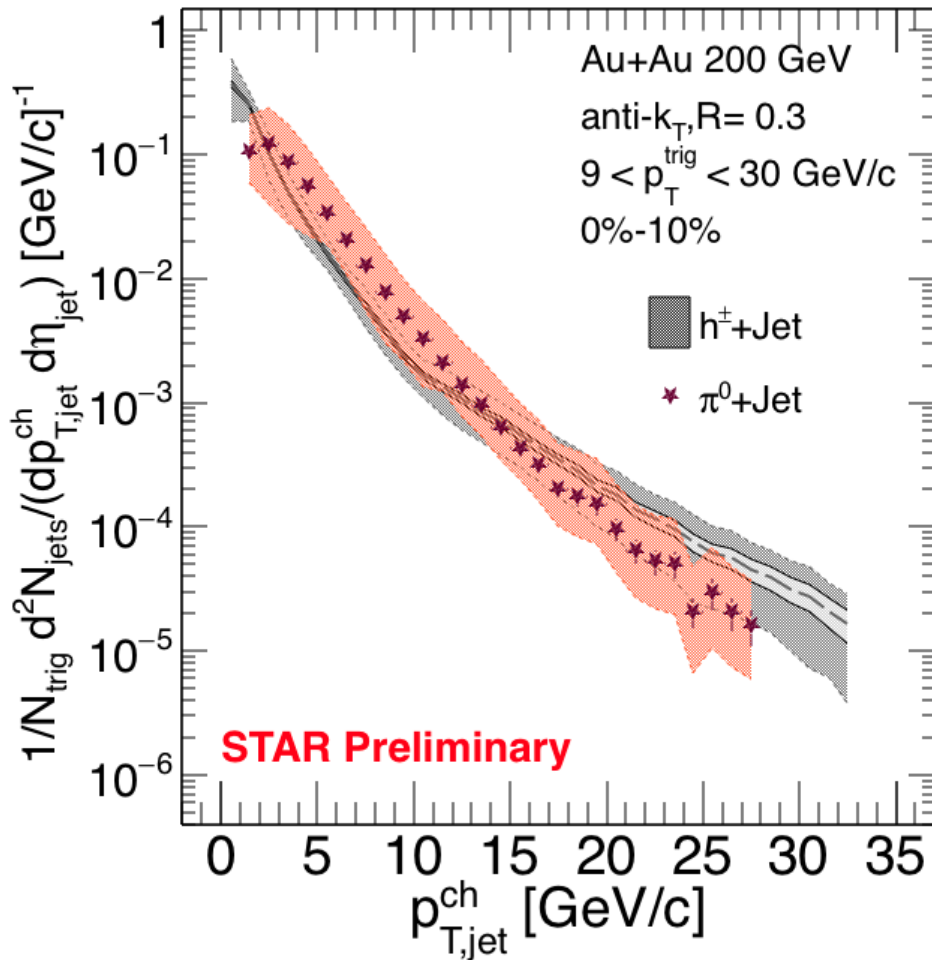


SE: Same events ME: Mixed events

- Event-by-event average background energy density correction done
- Signal dominates with respect to background at high jet p_T^{reco} and combinatorial jets at small jet p_T^{reco}
- Uncorrelated background jet contribution corrected by mixed events subtraction

Does our π^0 +jet agree with h^\pm +jet measurements in HIC ?

π^0 +jet vs. h^\pm +jet



- Applying correction due to detector and background fluctuations effects
 - Singular value decomposition (SVD) method for unfolding
- Taking into account systematic effects, π^0 +jet and h^\pm +jet show agreement within uncertainties

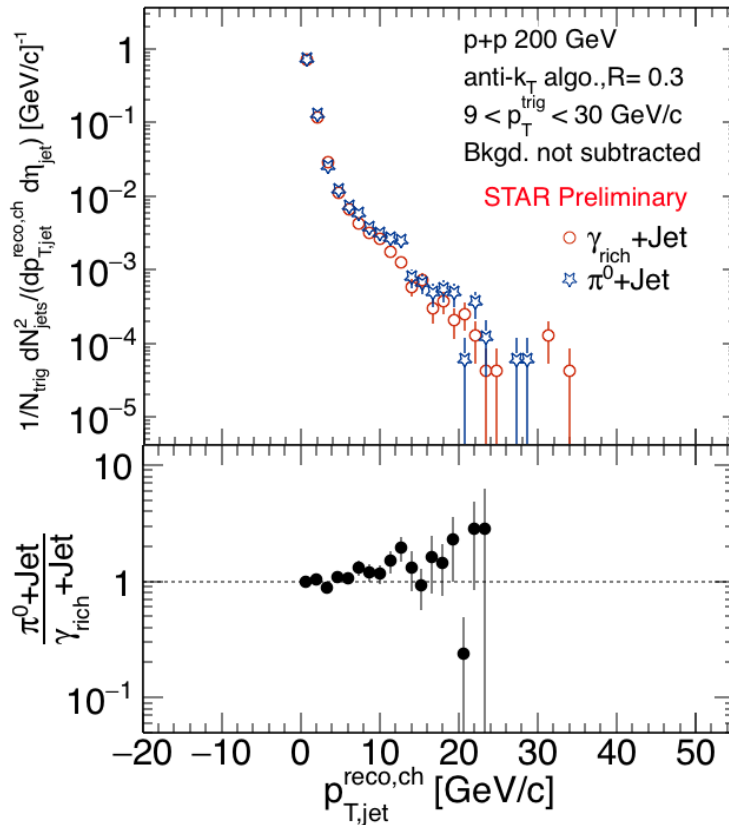
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What about comparison between π^0 +jet and γ +jet ?

π^0 +jet vs. γ +jet

Raw Jet p_T without background and detector effect correction

p+p



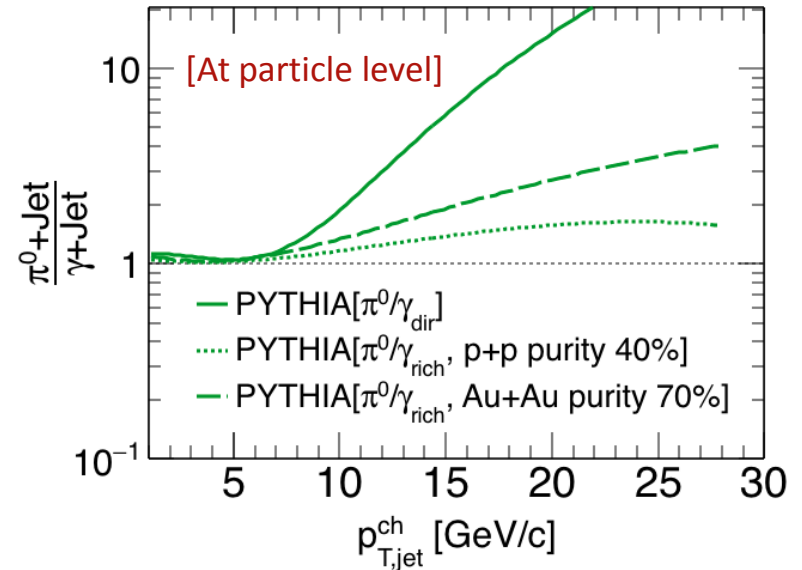
Purity of γ_{dir} : [STAR:PLB 760 (2016) 689]

p+p ~40%

Au+Au (0-10%) ~70%

PYTHIA expectation

(for different purity of γ_{dir})

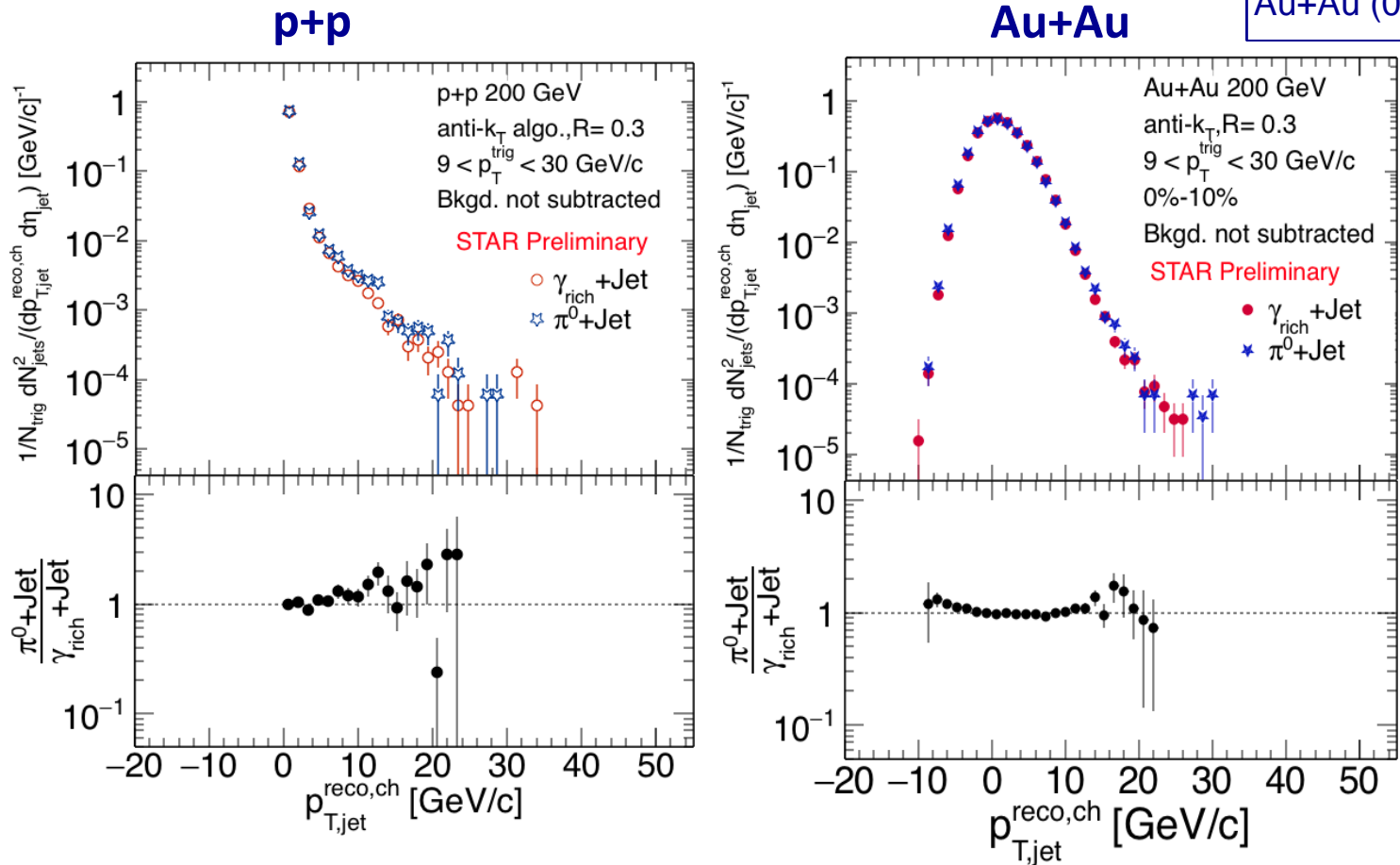


- PYTHIA predicts larger jet yield for π^0 trigger than γ_{dir}
- In p+p, reasonable agreement with standalone PYTHIA considering purity of γ_{dir}

π^0 +jet vs. γ +jet

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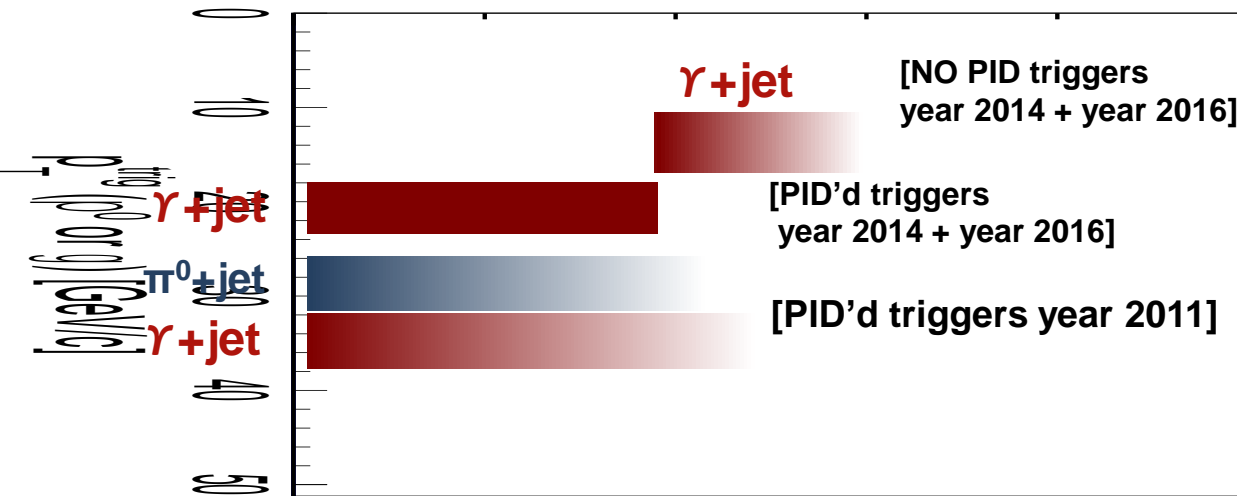
Raw Jet p_T without background and detector effect correction



- To extract medium effect for π^0 +jet vs. γ +jet, need full corrections, detailed study and large statistics

Future measurements of π^0 +jet vs. γ +jet

Au+Au collisions in the STAR experiment



Int. Luminosity sampled by BEMC trigger

Year 2011: 2.8 nb⁻¹

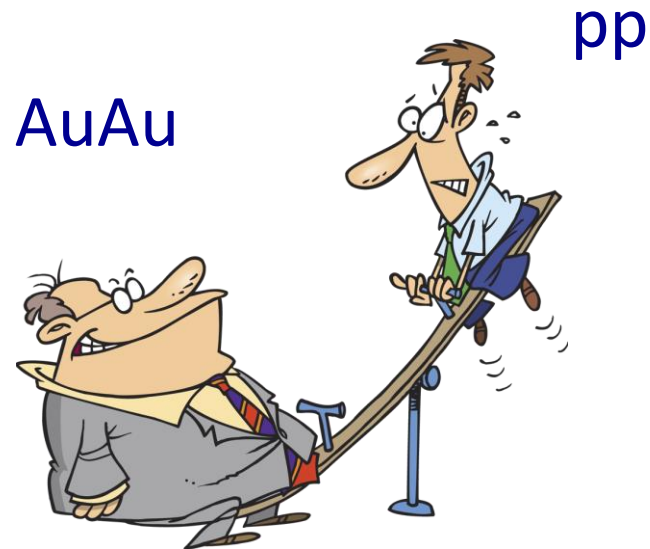
Year 2014+ year 2016: ~ 25 nb⁻¹ on tape (~ 10 times more statistics)

- ~ 25 nb⁻¹ corresponds to 175 billion MB events

- For $p_T > 9$ GeV/c
 - Run11: γ +jet ~ 30 K trigger ($p_T > 9$ GeV/c) events with tight PID cuts
 - Combining year 2014+ year 2016, we have 8 times year 2011 statistics on the tape.
- For $p_T > 25$ GeV/c
 - we don't need tight PID (Ratio $\gamma/\pi^0 > \sim 2$) and hence expect > 5 K γ triggers.

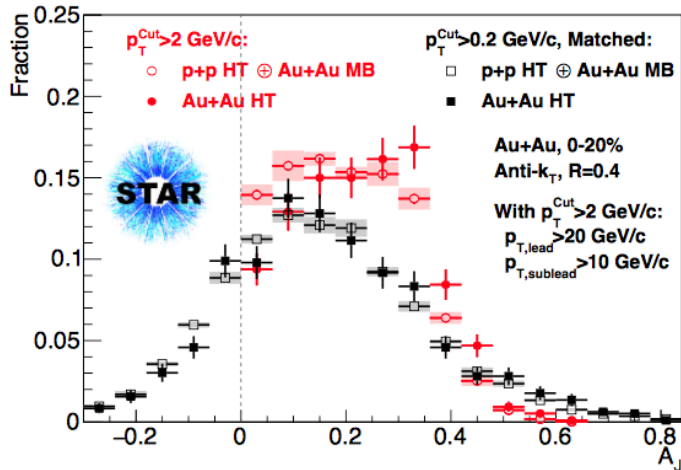
...Stay tuned

Di-jet hadron correlations

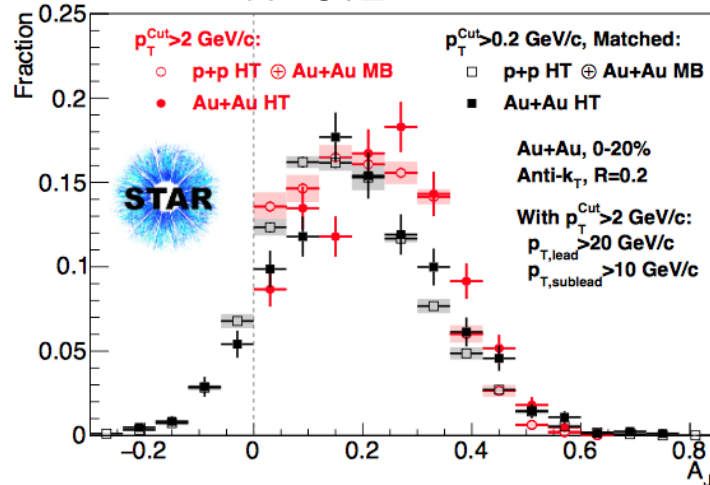


Di-Jet imbalance in transverse momentum

Jet resolution parameter $R=0.4$



$R=0.2$



p_T imbalance for
back-to-back di-jet pairs

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

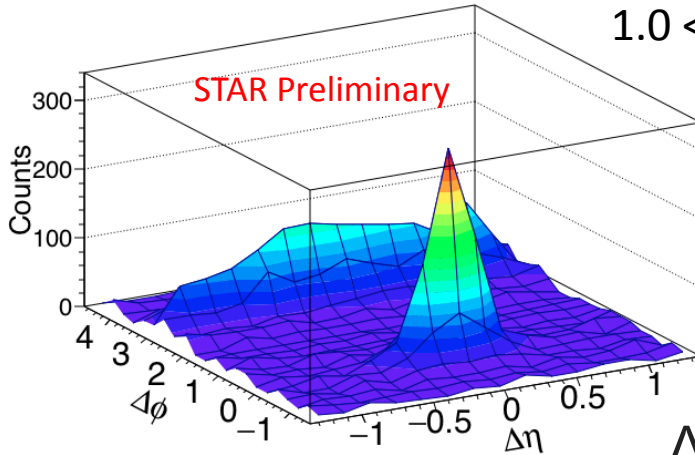
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arXiv:1609.03878

- Di-jets with "hard cores" (constituents above $p_T > 2$ GeV/c only) show significantly more imbalance in central Au+Au than in embedded p+p
- Balance is restored for $R=0.4$ (but not $R=0.2$!) when including jet constituents $p_T < 0.2$ GeV/c
- Indication of energy loss of di-jet interacting with the medium and lost energy reappears as soft particles

How is the recovered energy distributed?

Trigger jet+hadron correlation

p+p HT

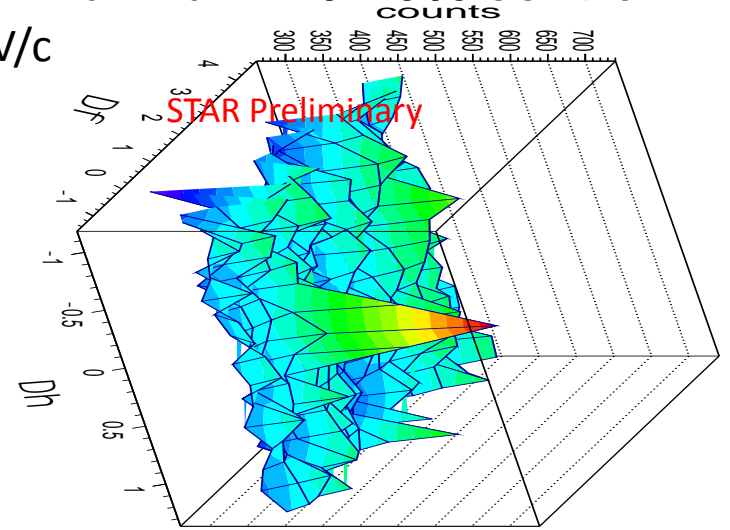


$$1.0 < p_T^{\text{track}} < 2.0 \text{ GeV}/c$$

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

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

Au+Au HT 0-20% central



(After mixed event correction)

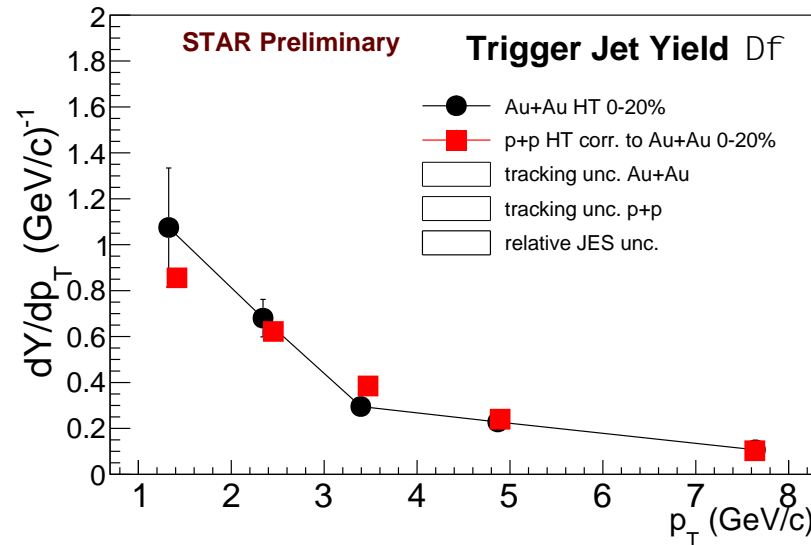
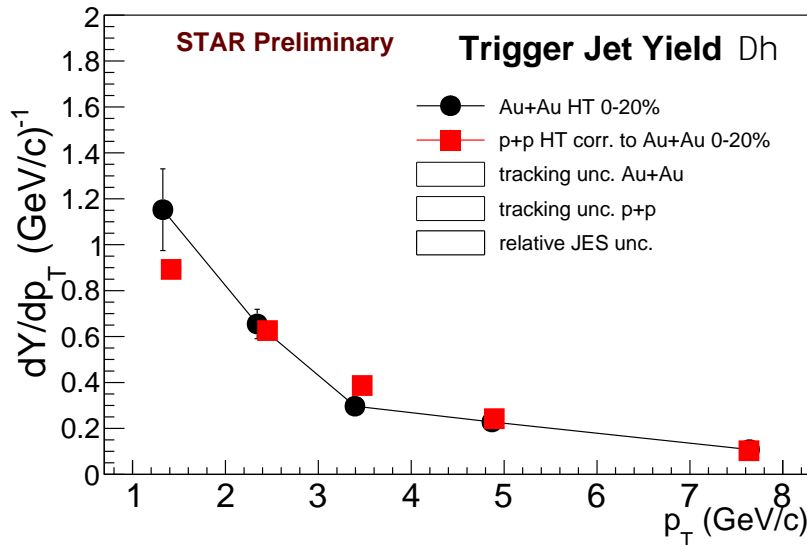
Di-jet Definition:

- Trigger jet containing a BEMC tower with energy $E > 6 \text{ GeV}$ (HT)
- $p_T^{\text{cut}} \geq 2.0 \text{ GeV}/c$
- $p_T^{\text{Trigger}} > 20 \text{ GeV}/c$
- $p_T^{\text{Recoil}} > 10 \text{ GeV}/c$
- anti- k_T $R=0.4$

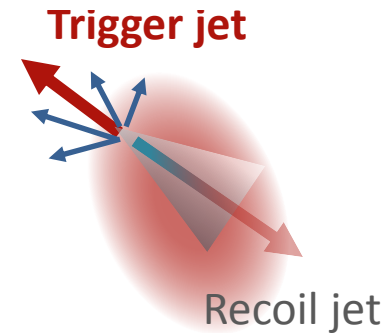
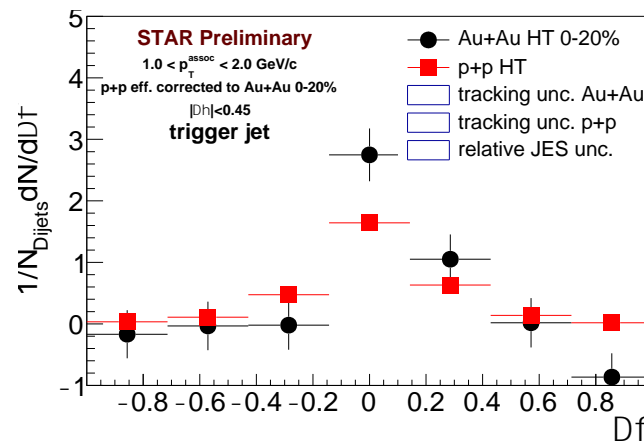
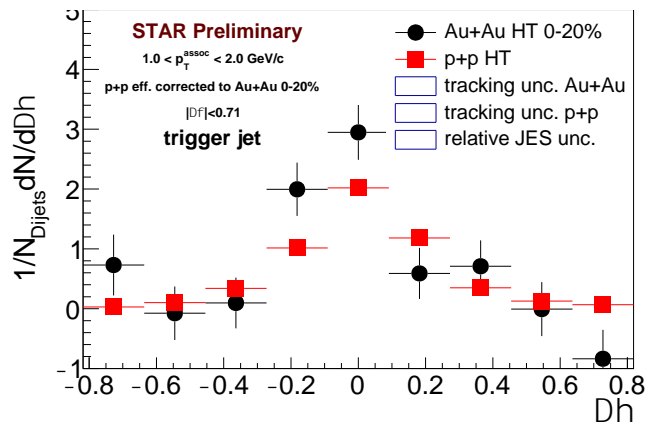
Trigger jet+hadron correlations

$\Delta\eta$ projection

$\Delta\phi$ projection



← Track p_T

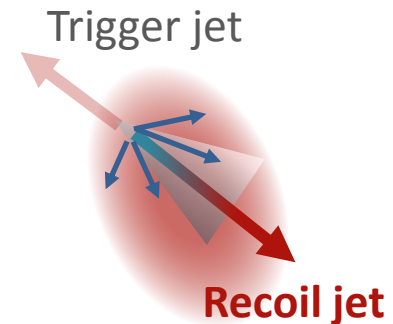
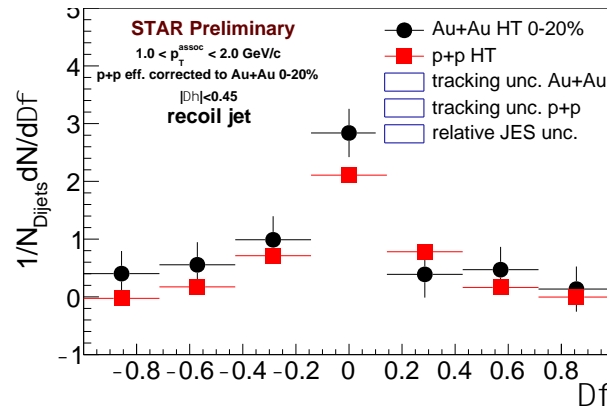
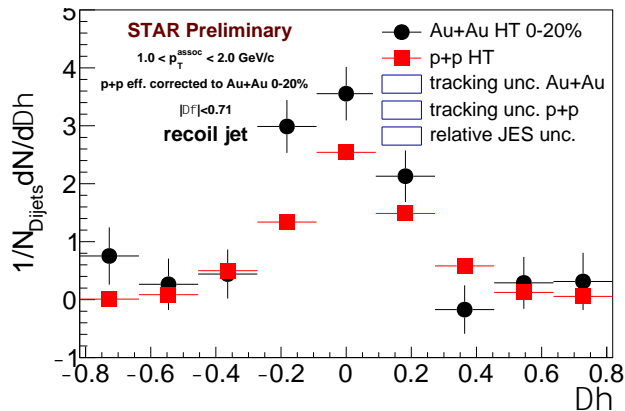
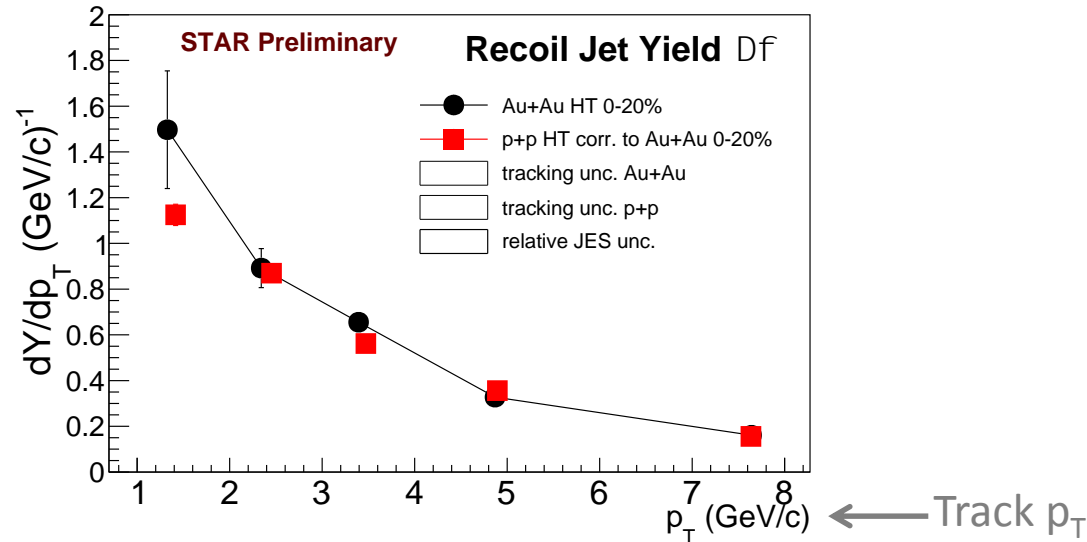
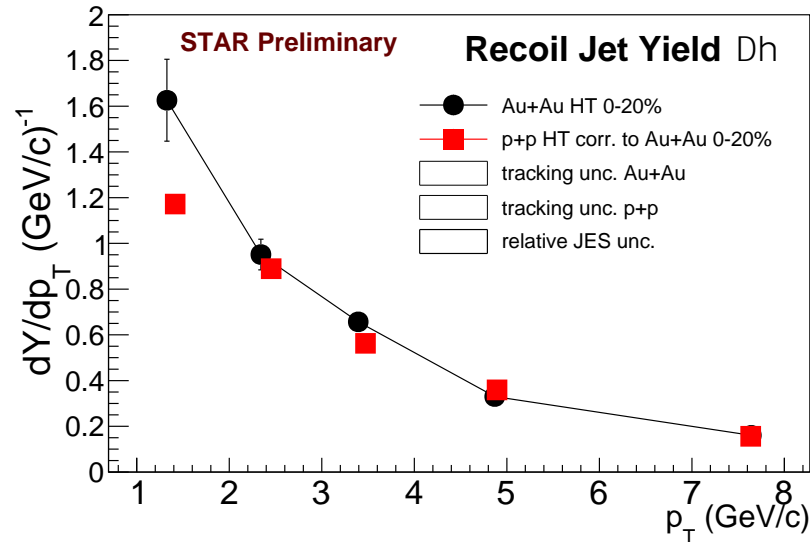


- Trigger jet +hadron yield shows no significant difference at all p_T^{assoc}
- Indication of surface bias of trigger jets in Au+Au collisions

Recoil jet+hadron correlations

$\Delta\eta$ projection

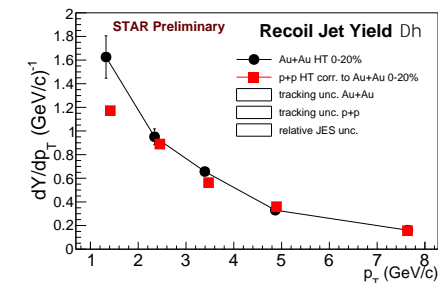
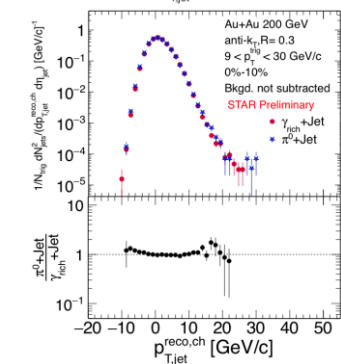
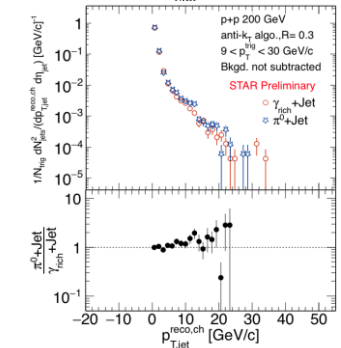
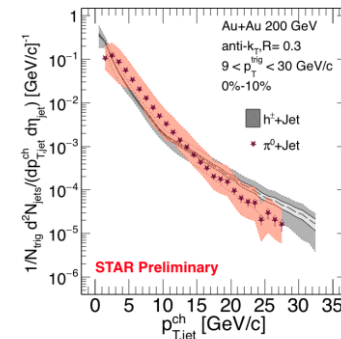
$\Delta\phi$ projection



- Recoil: hints of excess low p_T yield, not significant within uncertainties
- Integrated A_J could dilute the recoil jet suppression
- Further differential measurements needed → data available!

Summary

- Neutral trigger semi-inclusive recoil jets
 - Within systematic uncertainty, agreement between π^0 +jet and h^\pm +jet for $R=0.3$
 - working to extract medium effect on γ +jet vs. π^0 +jet
 - Larger statistics from year 2014+2016 data
- Dijet hadron correlation
 - Soft particles ($p_T < 2.0$ GeV/c) redistributed in $\Delta\eta$ - $\Delta\phi$ in a recoil jet whereas trigger jet shows no significant modification due to surface bias in Au+Au collisions
 - Further differential measurements needed to understand redistribution of lost energy due to A_J imbalance



Two posters (Ph.D students):

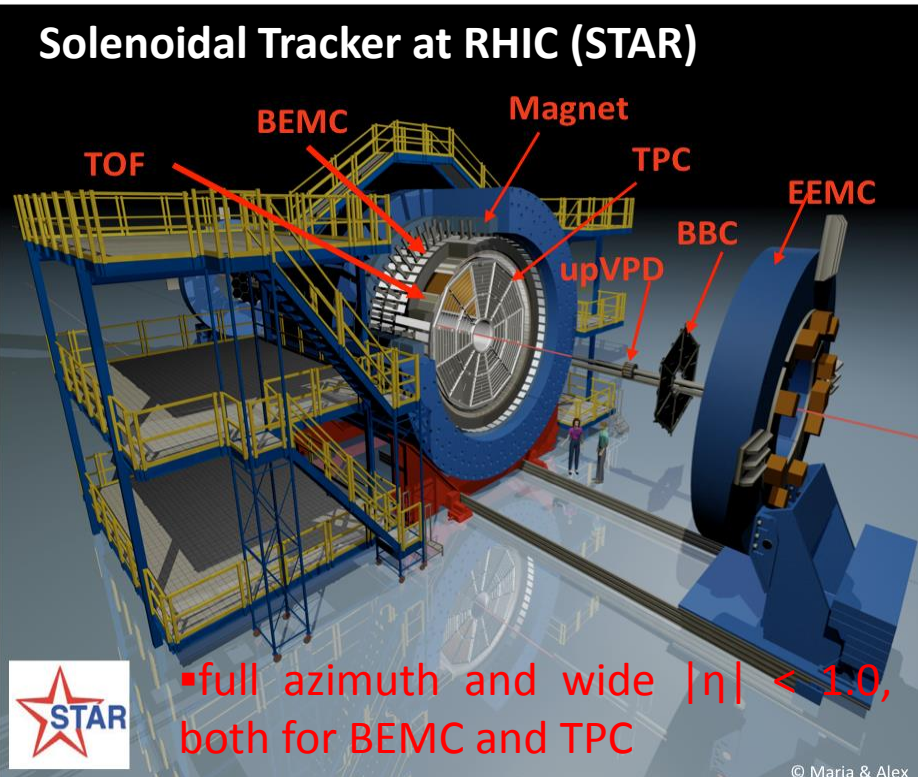
Derek Anderson (poster#173 π^0 - jet vs. γ -jet in p+p)

and Nick Elsey (poster#571 Dijet)

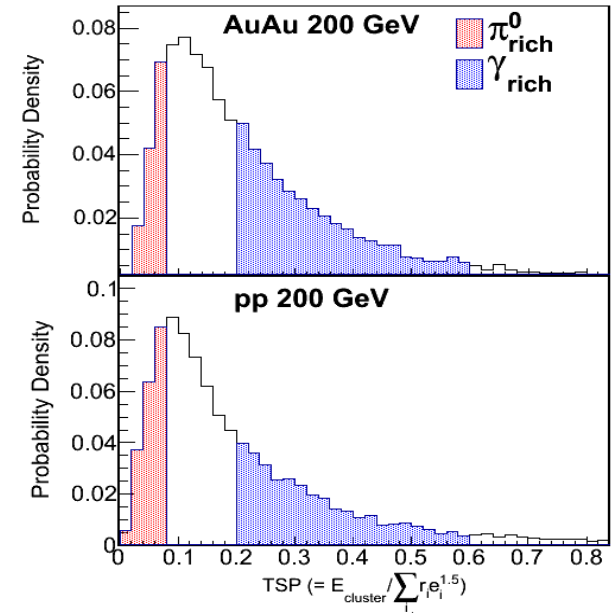
Back up

STAR detector system and π^0/γ_{dir} discrimination

Solenoidal Tracker at RHIC (STAR)



- BEMC to identify EM clusters and triggered on high energy tower
- Time Projection Chamber (TPC) to identify charged hadron tracks
- Au+Au (year 2011) and pp (year 2009) 200 GeV



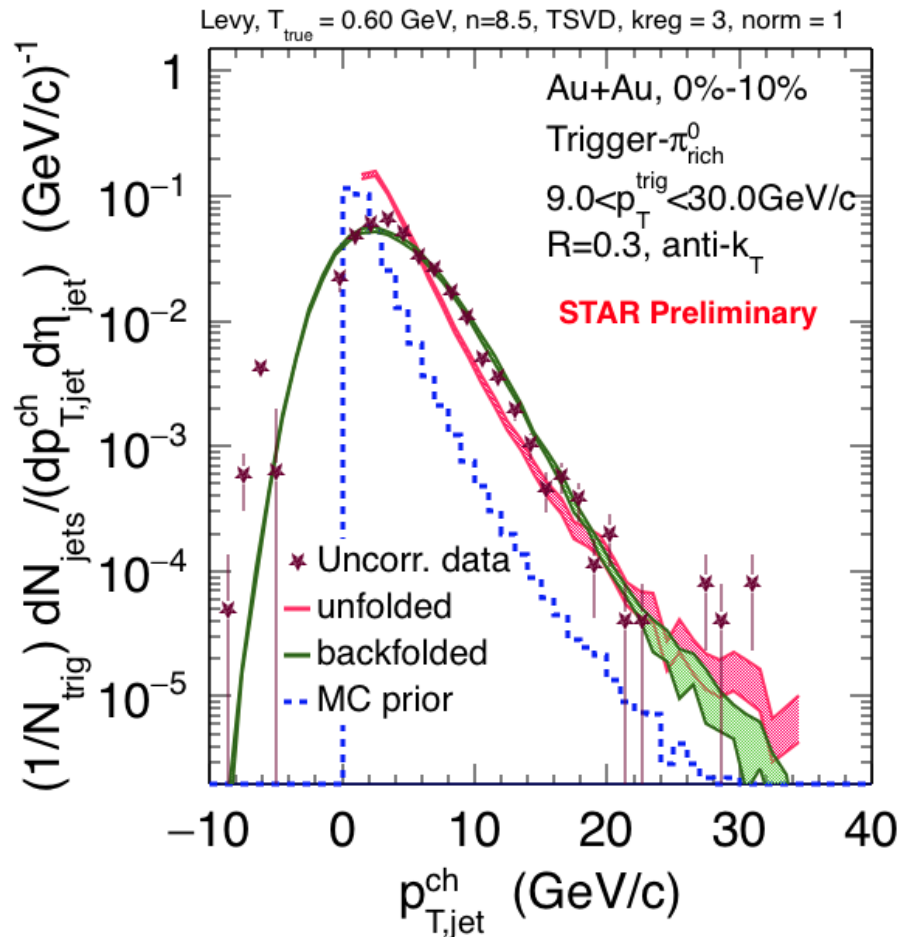
$$TSP = \frac{E_{cluster}}{\sum_i e_i r_i^{1.5}}$$

$E_{cluster}$: Cluster energy, e_i : BSMD strip energy, r_i : distance of the strip from the center of the cluster

TSP cuts are tuned to get

- a nearly pure sample of π^0 (called “ π^0_{rich} ”)
- a sample with enhanced fraction of γ_{dir} (called “ γ_{rich} ”)
- Purity of γ_{dir} **~40%** and **~70%** for **p+p** and **Au+Au** central (0-10%) collisions, respectively

Background subtraction and correction



Di-Jet Hadron Correlation Background Subtraction

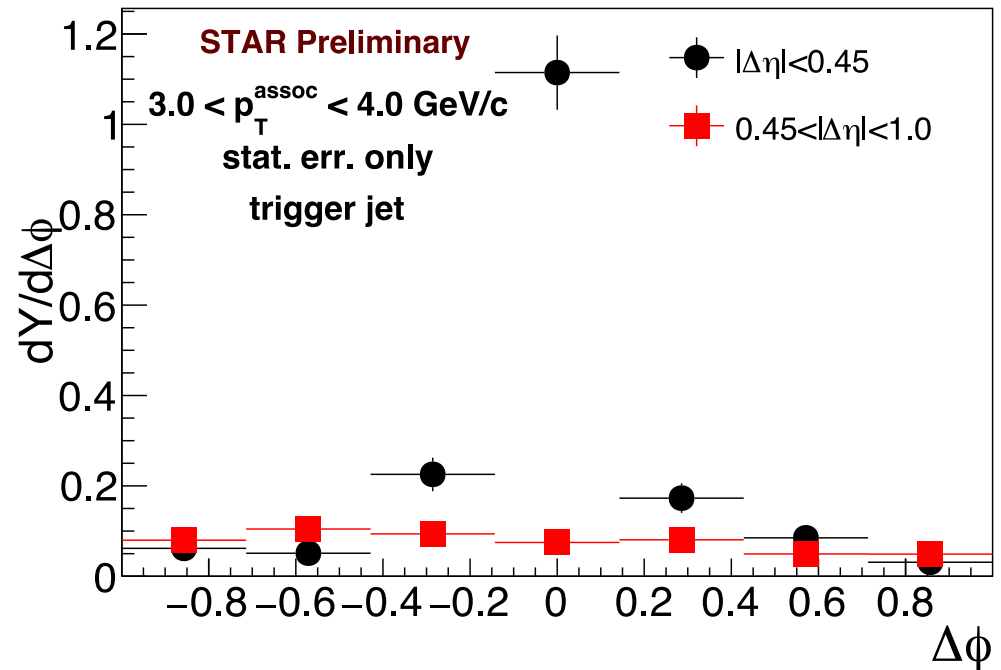
$\Delta\phi$: possible flow

→ Side band subtraction method

$\Delta\eta$: no flow

correlation fit with gaussian+constant

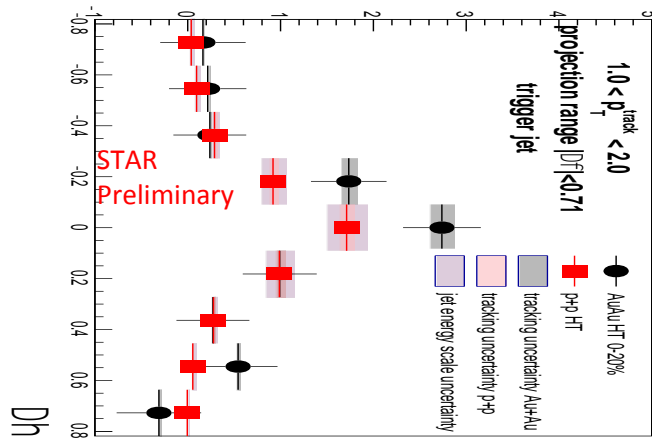
→ Constant subtracted from signal



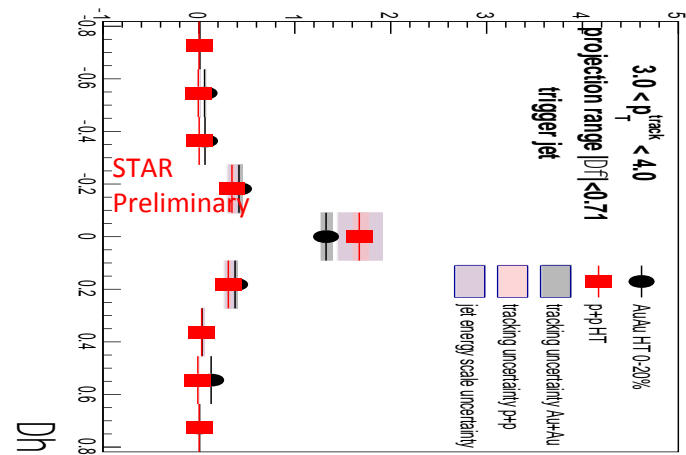
Di-jet hadron correlations in $\Delta\eta$

Trigger jet
+
hadron

$1.0 < p_T^{\text{track}} < 2.0 \text{ GeV}/c$
 $1/N_{\text{Dijet}} dN/dh$

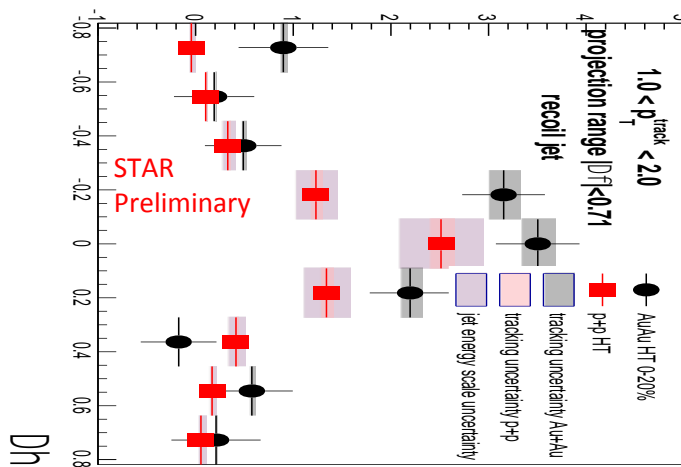


$3.0 < p_T^{\text{track}} < 4.0 \text{ GeV}/c$
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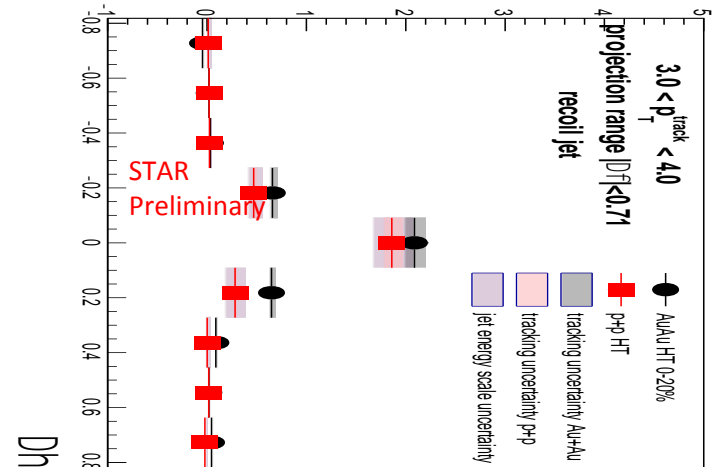


Recoil jet
+
hadron

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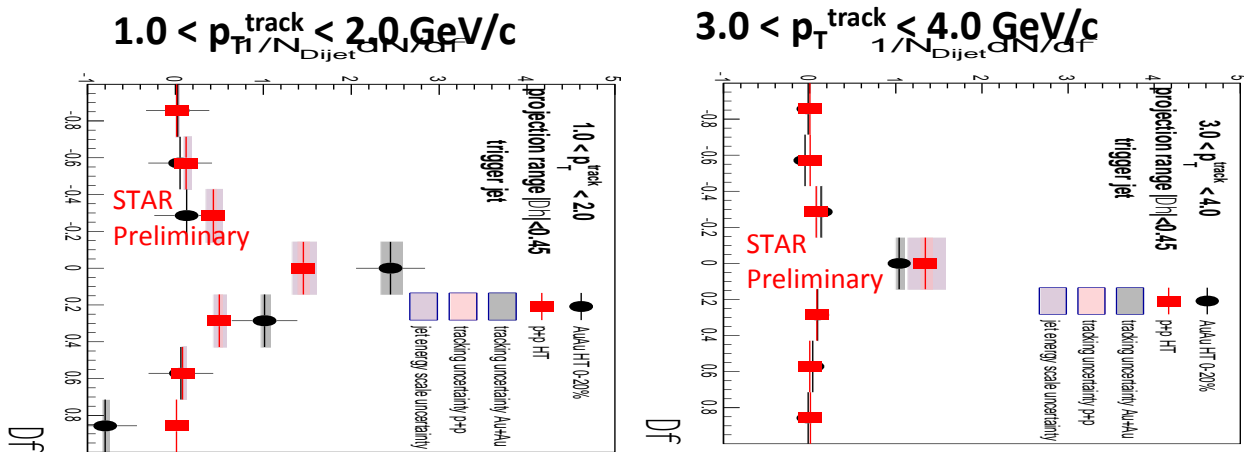


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Di-jet hadron correlations in $\Delta\phi$

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