

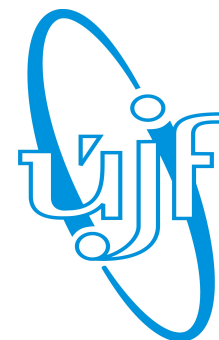
Heavy Ion Workshop

Jet Reconstruction in  
Au+Au 200 GeV Collisions  
at STAR



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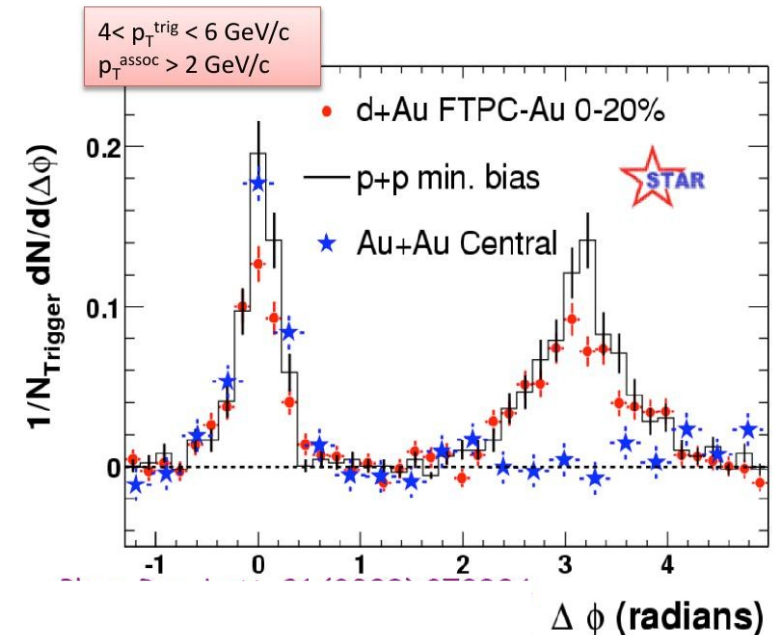
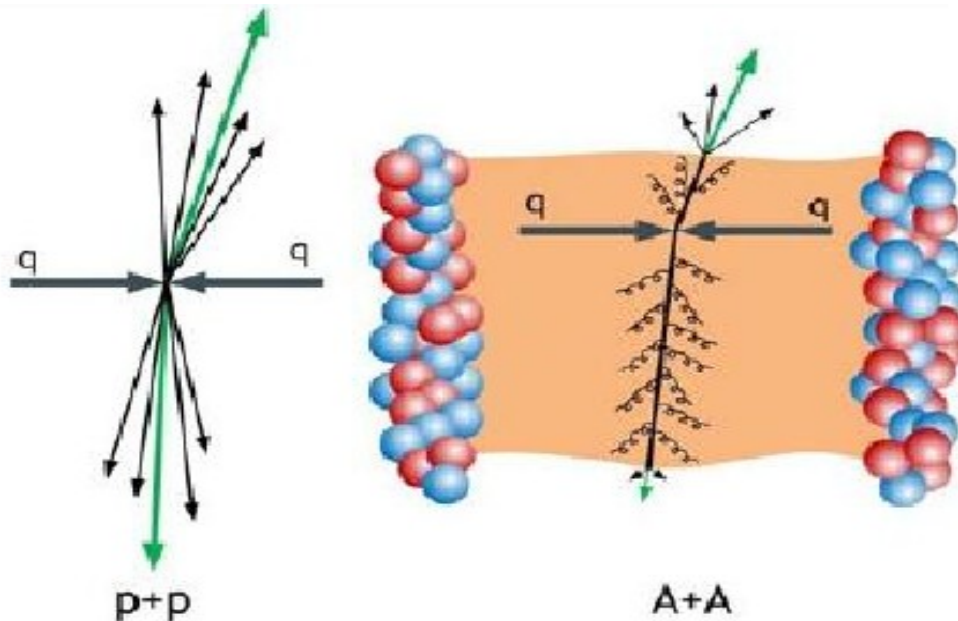
# Motivation for Jet Studies

**Jets:** collimated sprays of hadrons created by fragmentation and hadronization of hard-scattered partons

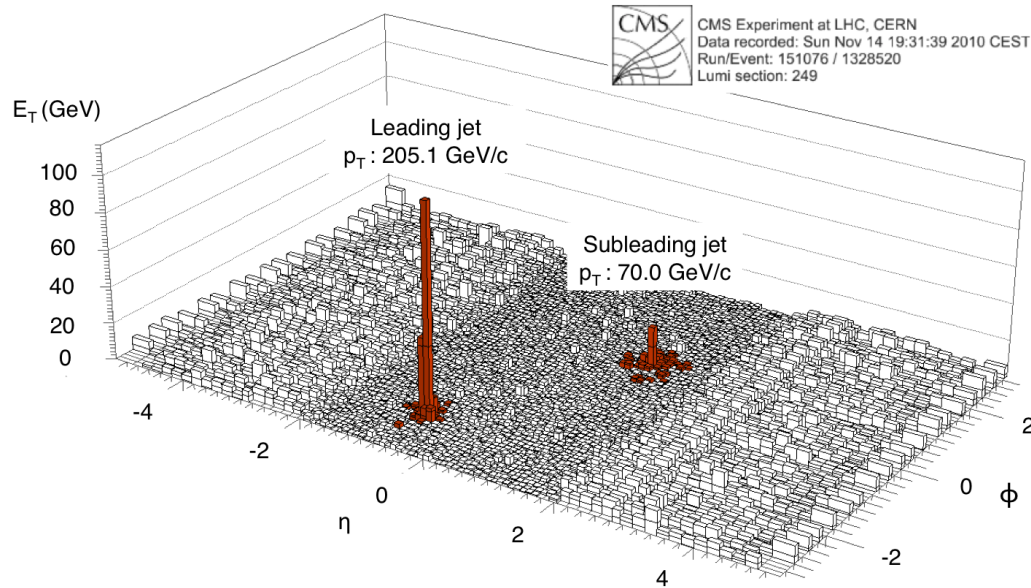
**Elementary collisions:** fundamental test of pQCD

**Heavy-ion collisions:** energy loss mechanism in Quark Gluon Plasma (QGP)

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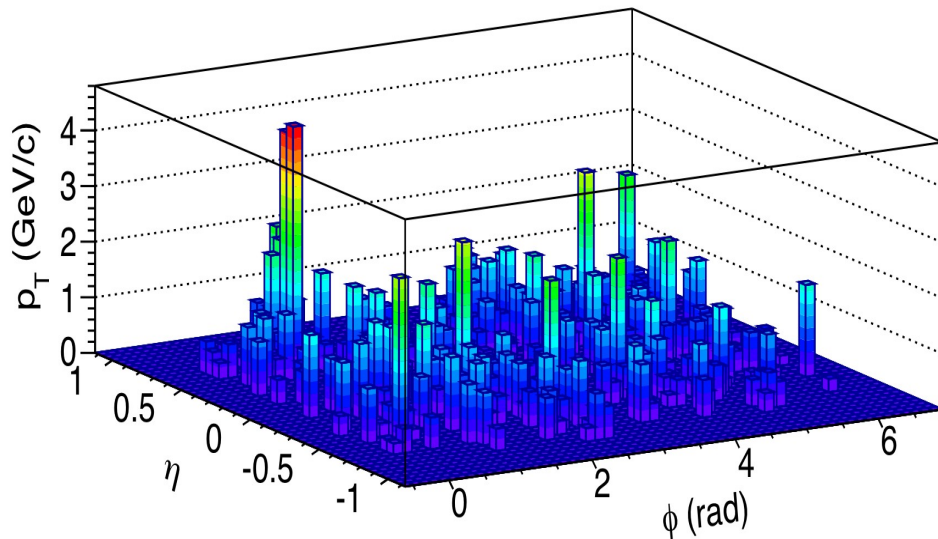


# Jet Reconstruction in Heavy Ion Collisions



## LHC:

- Jets dominate over the background
- Clear jet identification (at high  $p_T$ )



## RHIC:

- **Background fluctuations comparable to signal** → Jet identification is extremely challenging task
- Signal identification on **statistical basis**

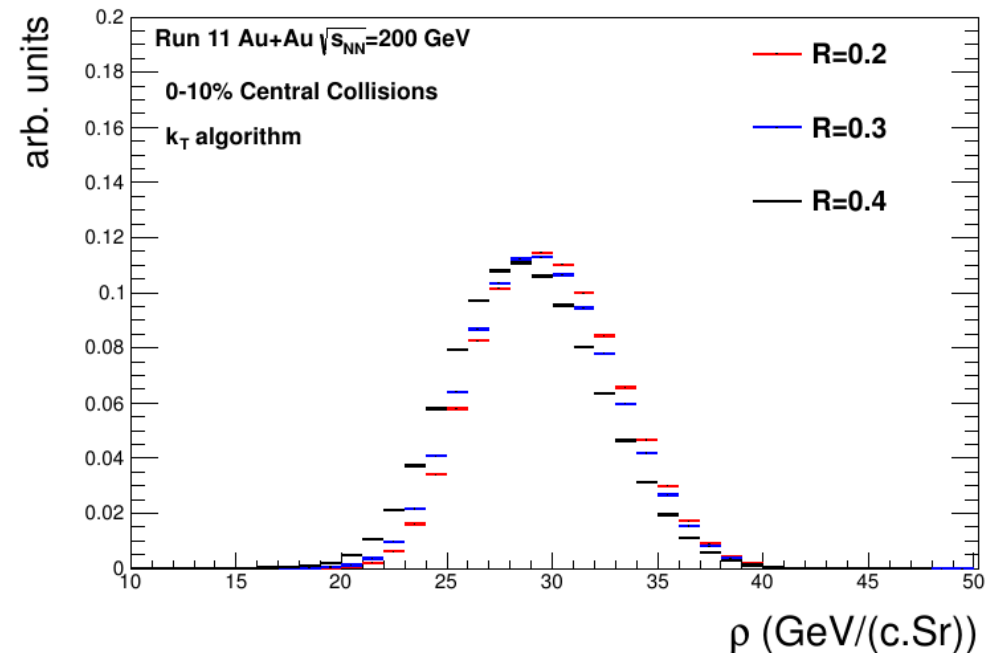
# I) Inclusive Jet Reconstruction

- using FASTJET 3 [Cacciari, Salam, Soyez : Eur.Phys. J. **C72** (2012) 1896]
- jet reconstruction: anti-kT algorithm, different resolution parameters  
 $R=0.2, 0.3, 0.4$
- correction for pedestal energy:

$$\rho = \text{med} \left\{ \frac{p_{T,i}}{A_i} \right\} \quad A_i \dots \text{jet area}$$

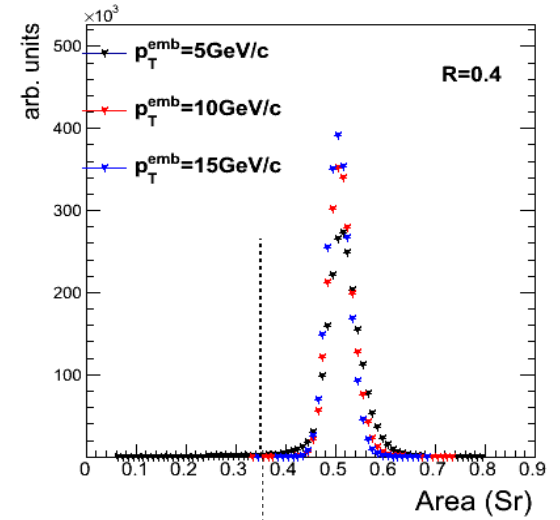
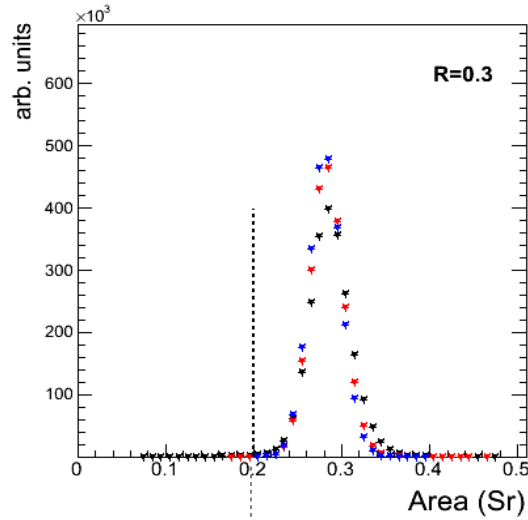
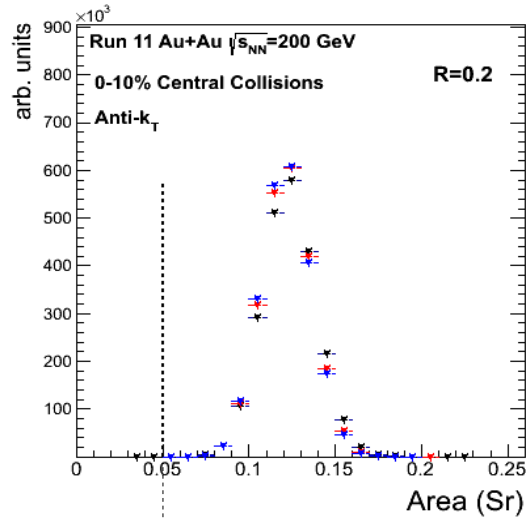
- transverse momentum after pedestal subtraction:

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

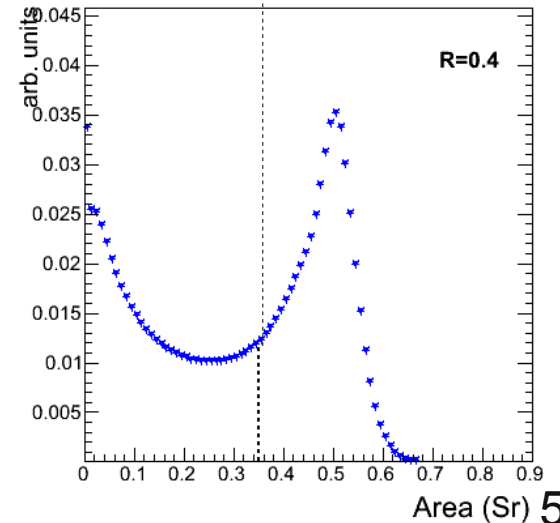
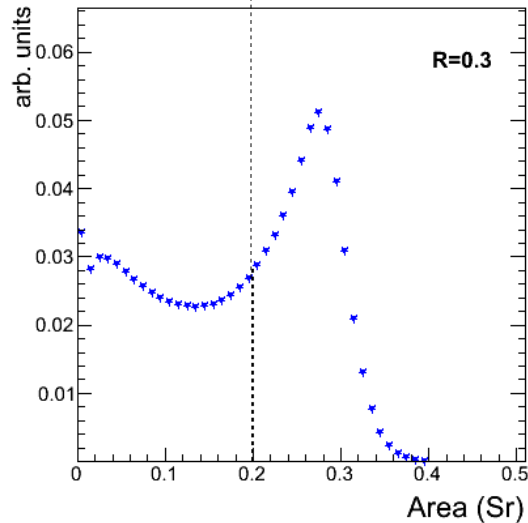
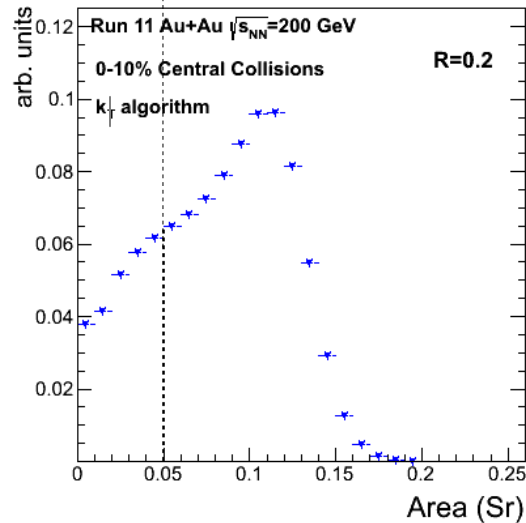


# Reducing Combinatorial Jets – Cut on Jet Area

single particle jets embedded in real data (5, 0, 15 GeV/c):



reconstructed real event jets:



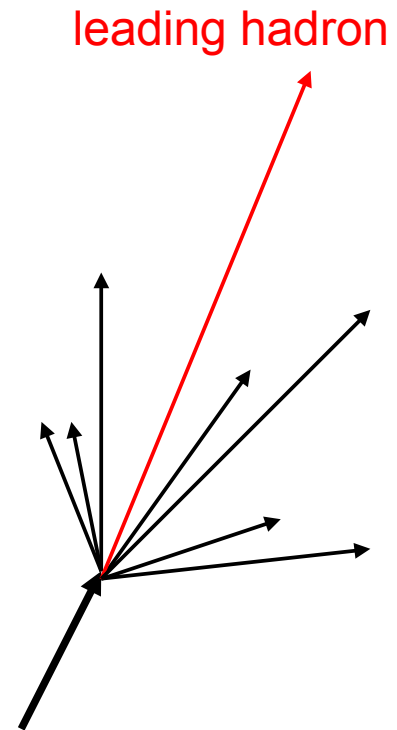
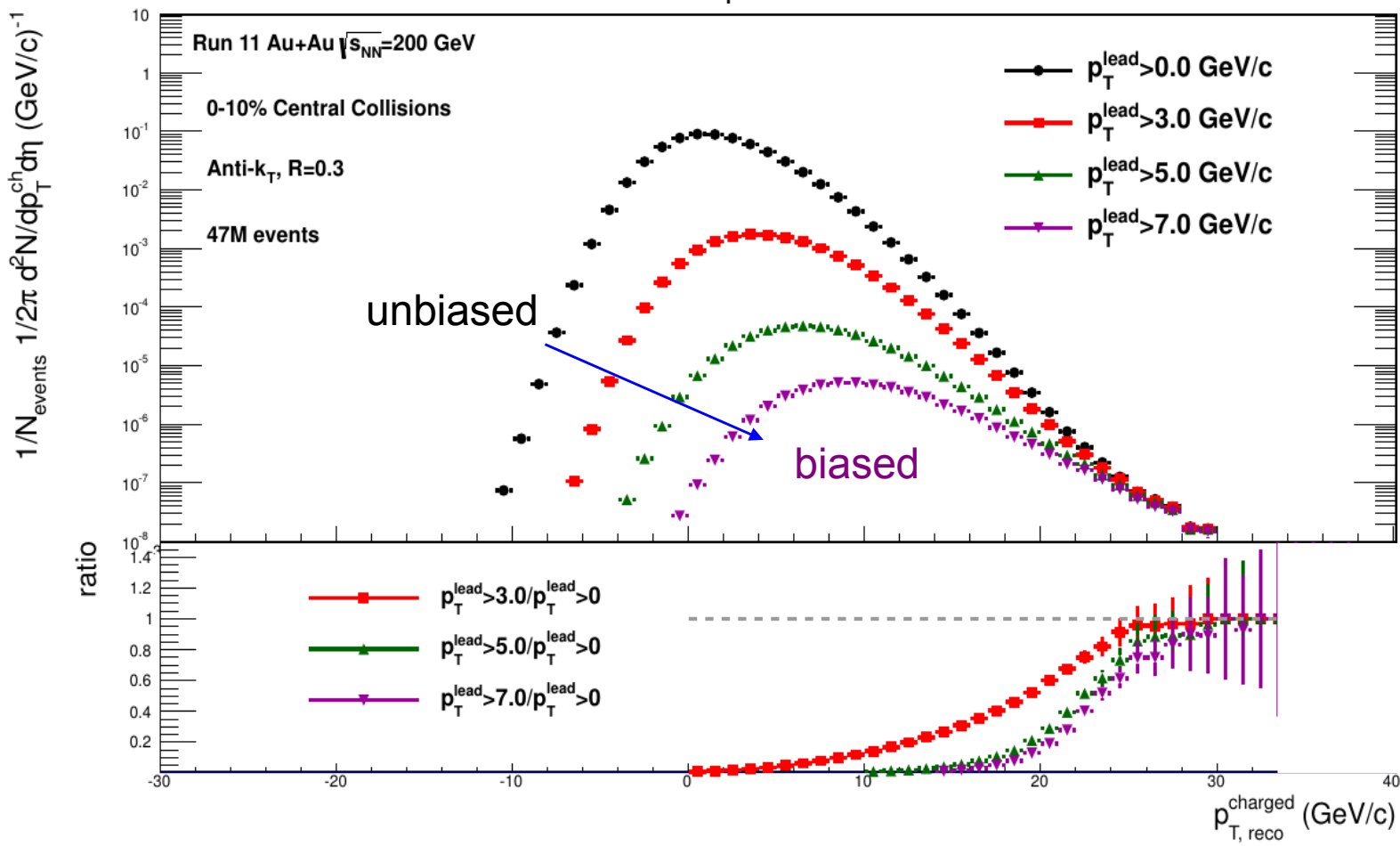
R=0.2, A>0.05

R=0.3, A>0.2

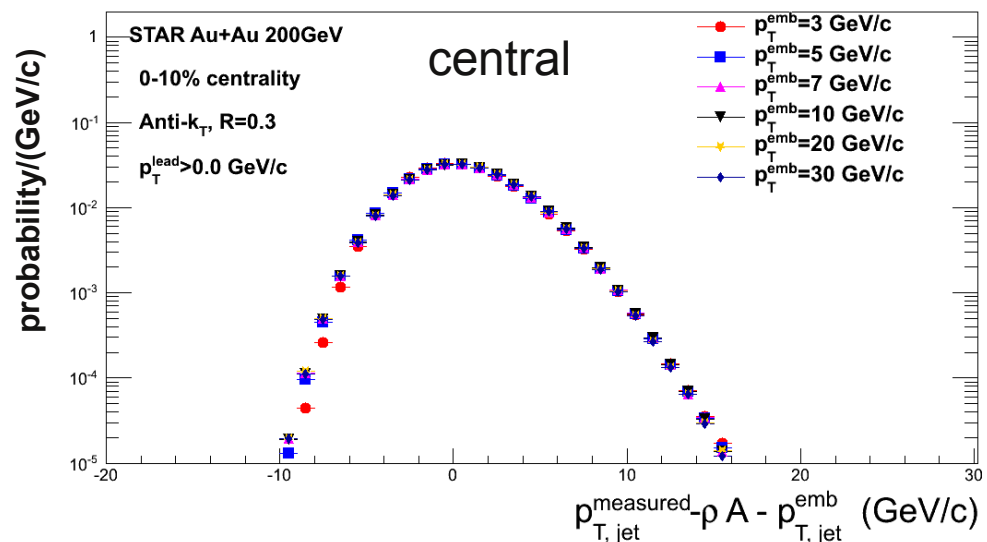
R=0.4, A>0.35

# Reducing Combinatorial Jets

- combinatorial background reduced by a cut on leading hadron  $p_T$  [G. de Barros et al, Nucl. Phys. A910:314-318, 2013]
- breaks collinear safety: induces bias, however jet can still contain many soft constituents
- we don't discard negative  $p_T$

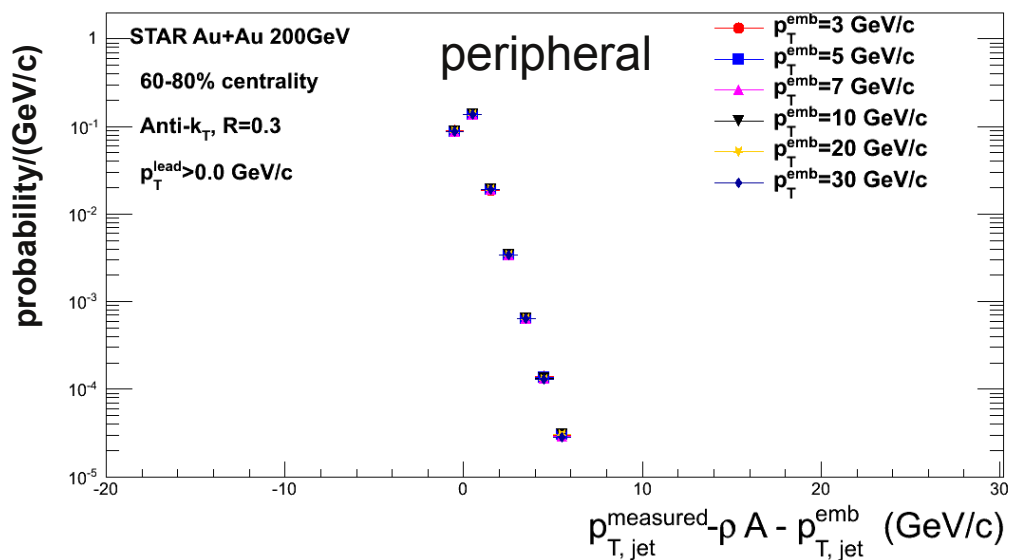


# Correction I: Background Fluctuations



- embedding simulated jets into real events to determine effect of background fluctuations on jet momentum

$$\begin{aligned} \delta p_T &= p_{T, \text{reco}} - p_{T, \text{emb}} = \\ &= p_T - A_{\text{jet}} \times \rho - p_{T, \text{emb}} \end{aligned}$$

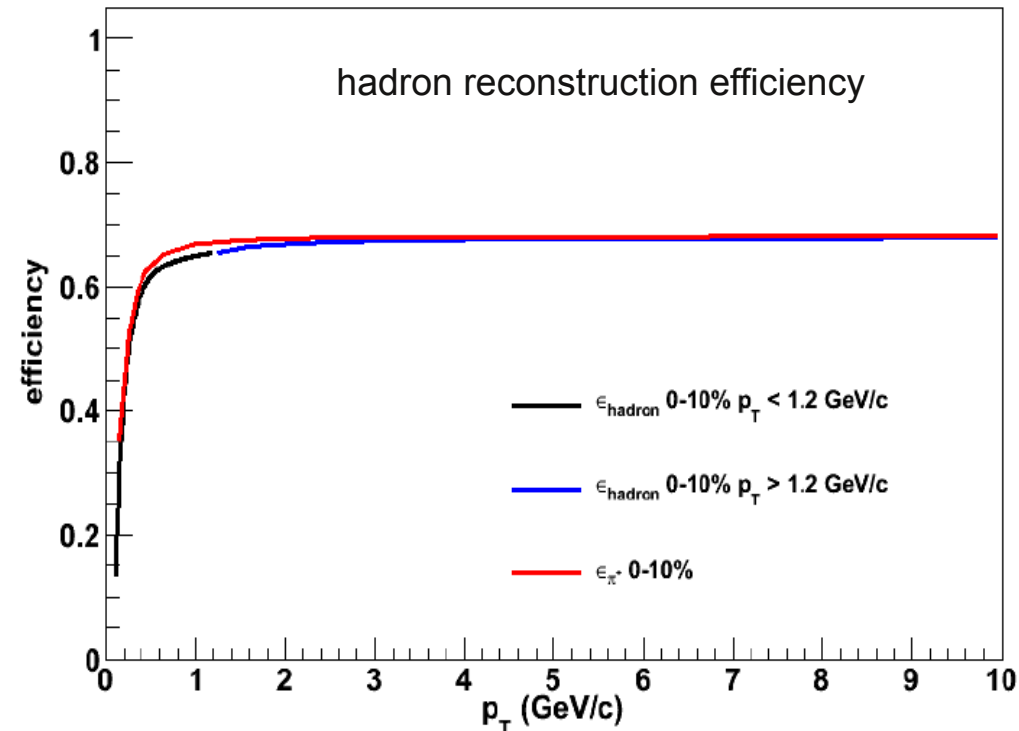


- $\delta p_T$  depends weakly on embedded particle momentum
- $\delta p_T$  used to correct the spectrum for background fluctuations

# Correction II: Instrumentation Effects

- dominated by TPC tracking efficiency and track momentum resolution
- parametrization of TPC tracking efficiency from embedding
- momentum resolution parametrization:

$$p_T^{smeared} = N(\mu, \sigma) = N(p_T, 0.01 \cdot (p_T)^2)$$

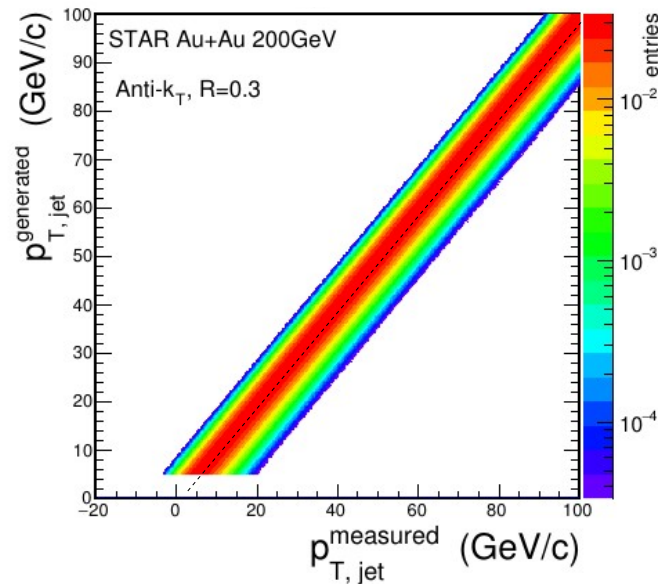


- PYTHIA 6 simulation:
  - **charged particles** saved -> jet reconstruction -> particle level jet (PL)
  - tracking efficiency and momentum smearing applied on the same group of charged particles -> jet reconstruction -> detector level jet (DL)
  - PL and DL jets are matched together (distance matching)

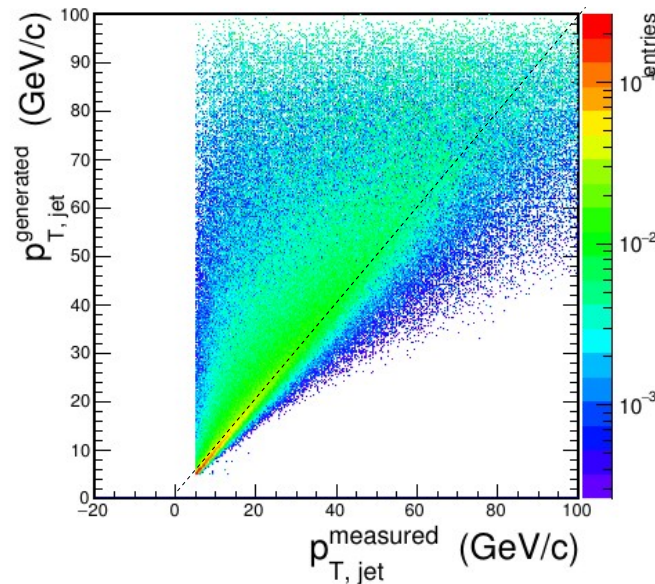


# Response Matrix Calculation

background  
fluctuations

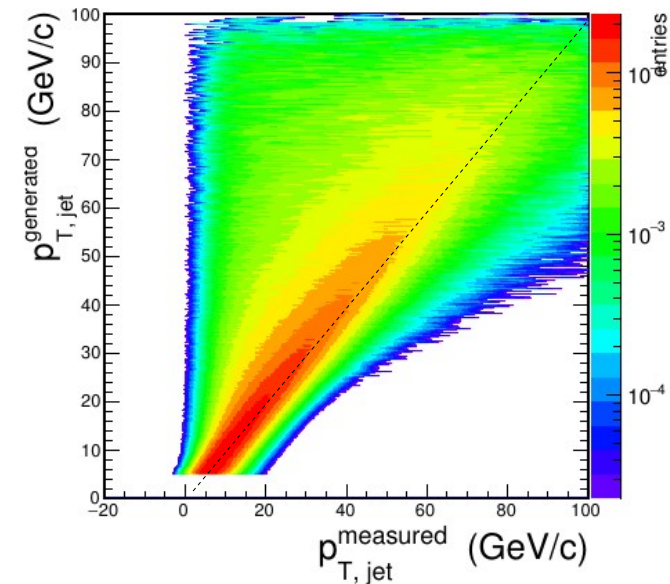


detector  
effects



detector RM

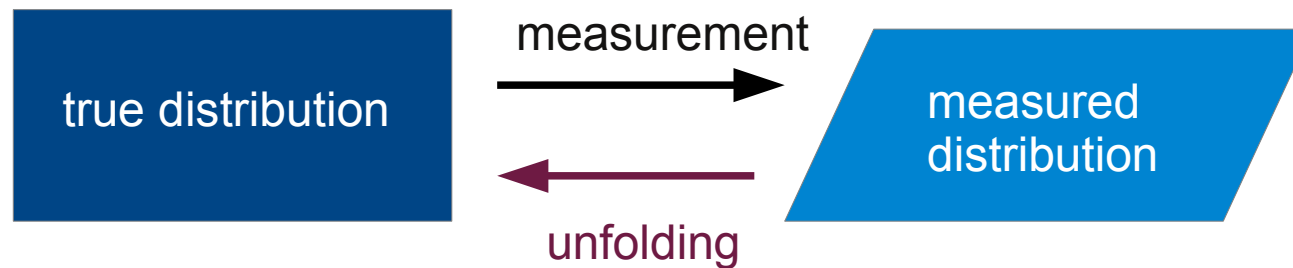
$$\otimes \delta p_T \text{ RM}$$



- full Response matrix is obtained by multiplying  $\delta p_T$  response matrix and detector response matrix
  - we assume the two effects are independent

# Unfolding of Measured Spectra

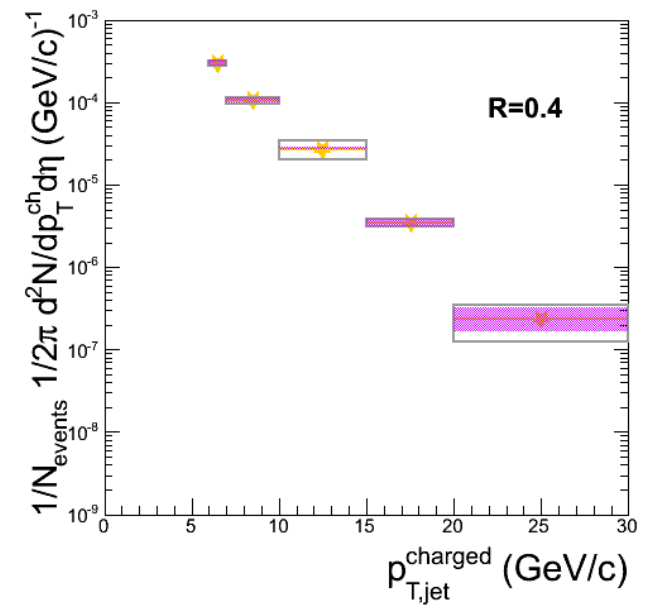
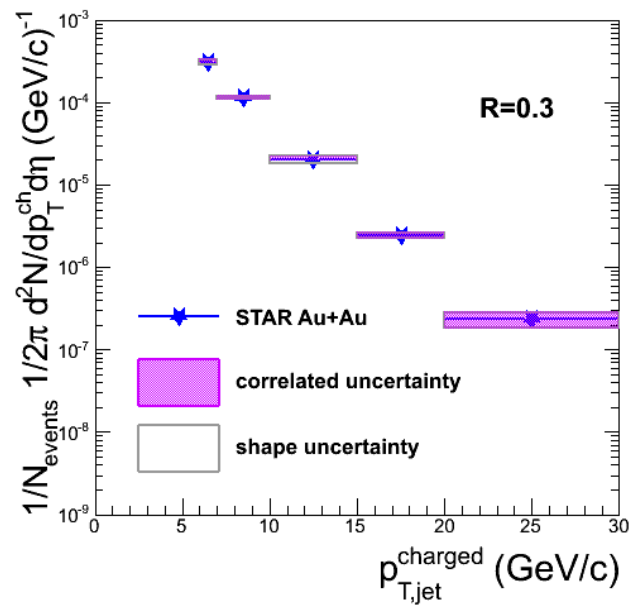
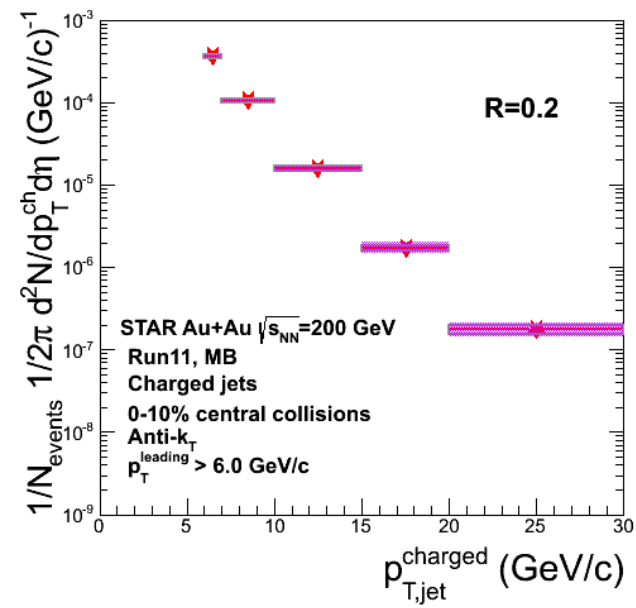
- Undo the effects of smearing on hard jet spectrum
- Correction for BG fluctuations + correction for detector effects



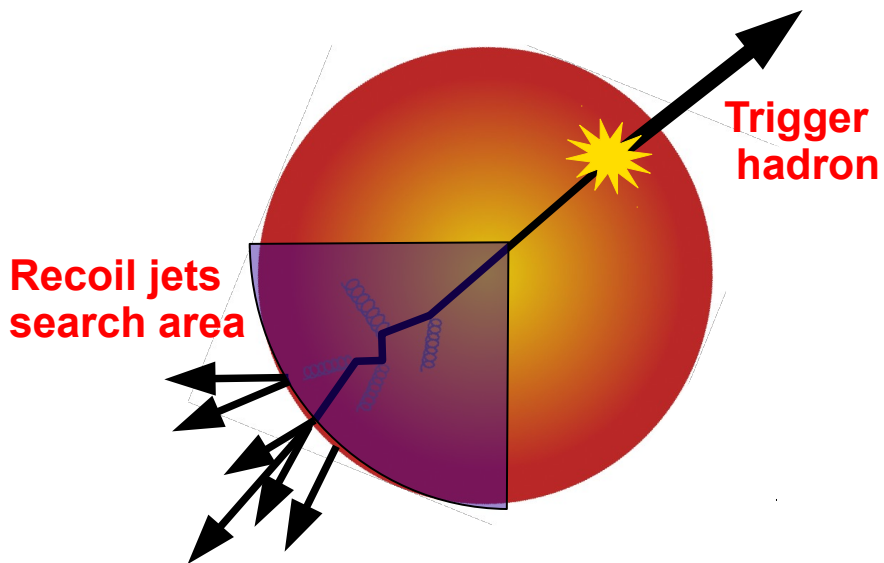
- Iterative method based on Bayes' theorem [[G. D'Agostini, arXiv:1010.0632](#)]
- Singular Value Decomposition (SVD) unfolding [[Nucl.Inst.Meth.A372:469-481,1996](#)]
- several (>10) different prior distributions used as the starting distribution
- optimal regularization parameter determined from simulation

# Corrected Spectra

0-10% central collisions



# II) Semi-inclusive Recoil Jets



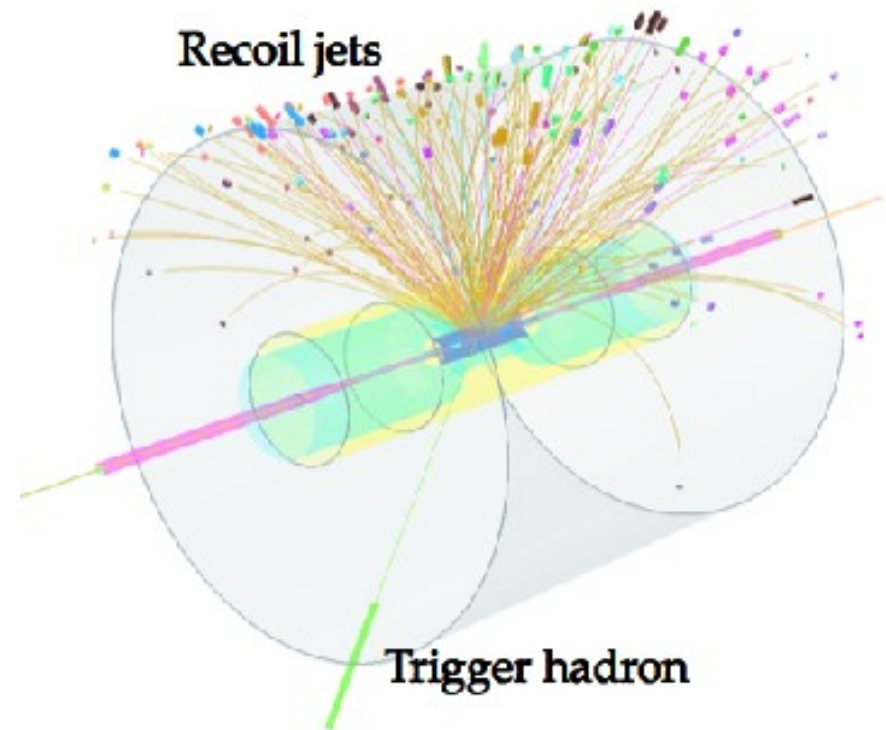
**Trigger:** high- $p_T$  hadron  $\rightarrow$  selects hard event

**Recoil side:** use all jet candidates within  $\pm 45^\circ$

$\rightarrow$  no fragmentation bias

Observable:  
Recoil jets per trigger

$$\underbrace{\frac{1}{N_{trig}^h} \frac{dN_{jet}}{dp_{T,jet}}}_{\text{Measured}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{\sigma^{AA \rightarrow h+X}} \frac{d\sigma^{AA \rightarrow h+jet+X}}{dp_{T,jet}}}_{\text{Calculable in NLO pQCD}}$$



# Semi-inclusive Recoil Jets

## Analysis in STAR:

- Recoil jet azimuth:  $|\Delta\phi - \pi| < \pi/4$
- No rejection of jet candidates on jet-by-jet basis
- Jet measurement is collinear-safe with low infrared cutoff (0.2 GeV/c)

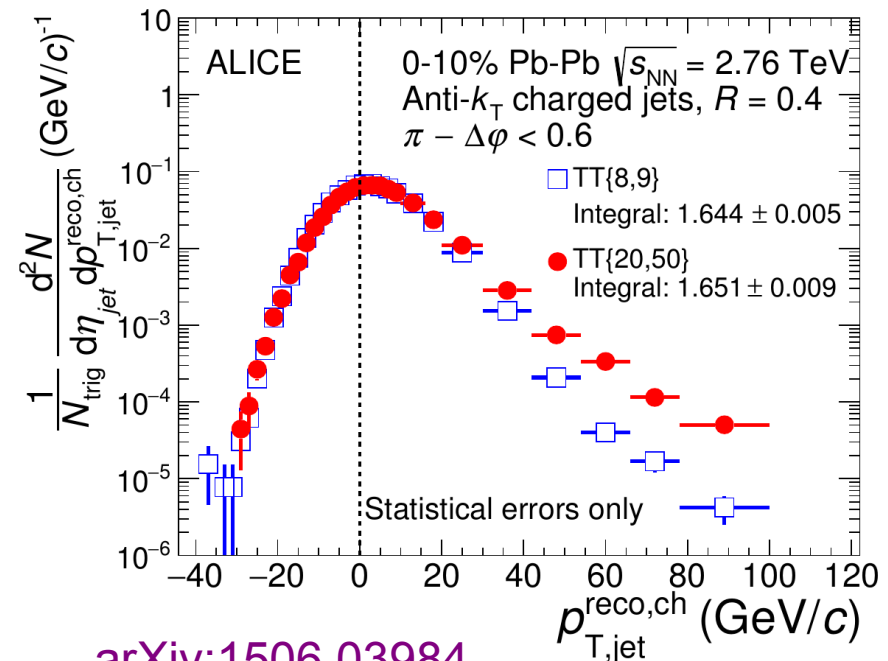
## • Background subtraction:

### Mixed event technique

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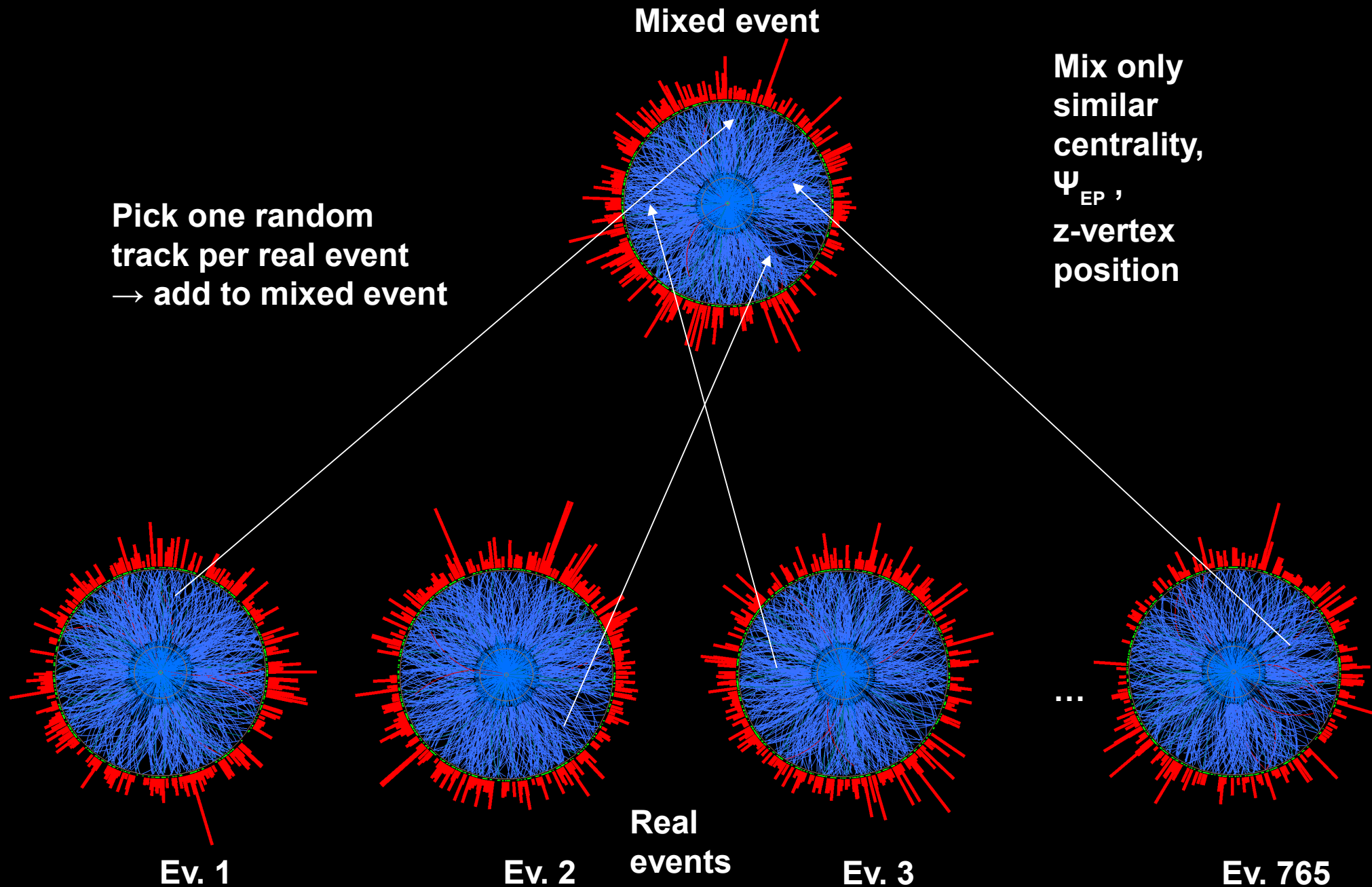
- Background subtraction: two different trigger track (TT)  $p_T$  ranges

$$\Delta_{\text{recoil}} = \text{TT}_{\text{signal}} - \text{TT}_{\text{reference}}$$



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# Mixed Event Generation for Jets

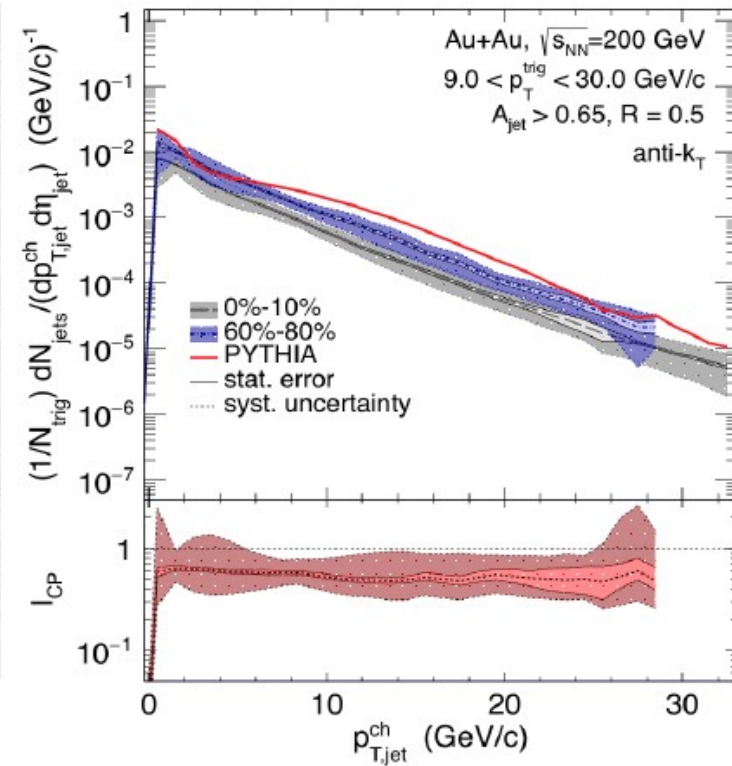
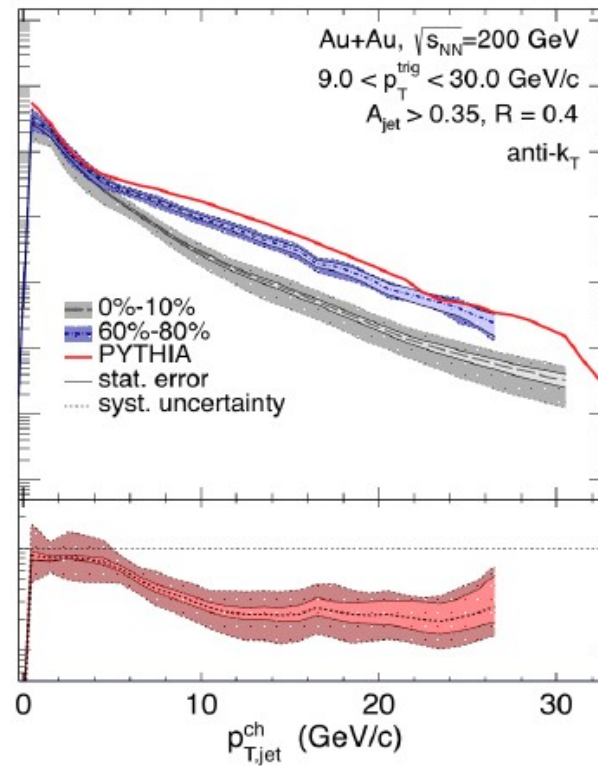
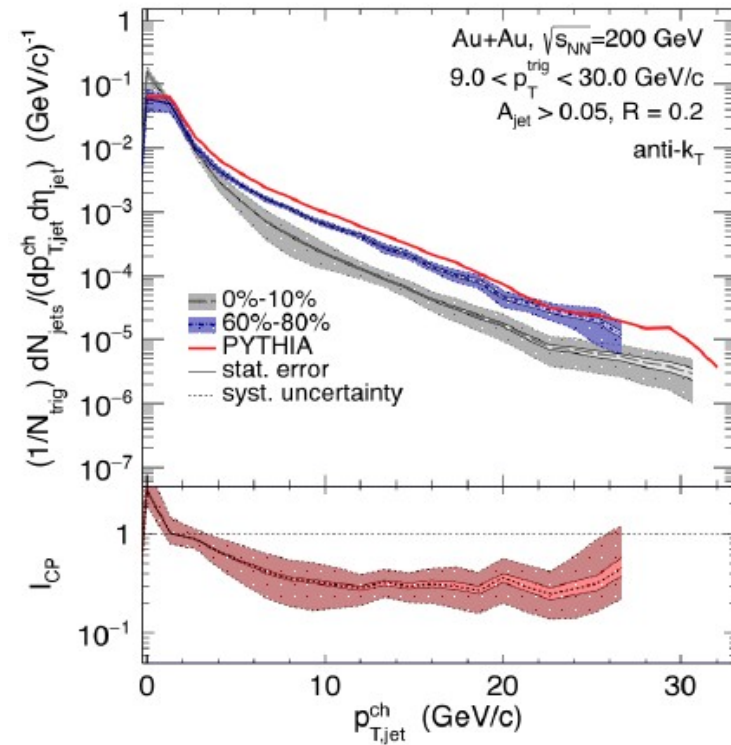


# Corrected Spectra and $I_{CP}$

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R=0.4

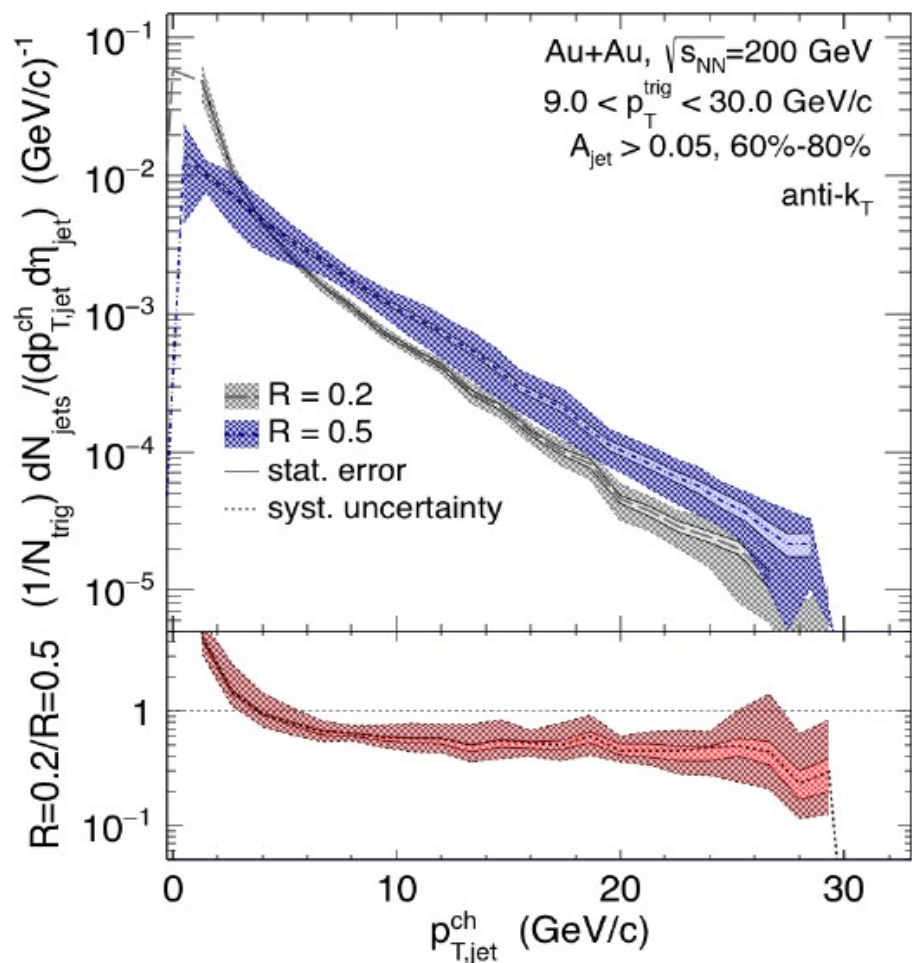
R=0.5



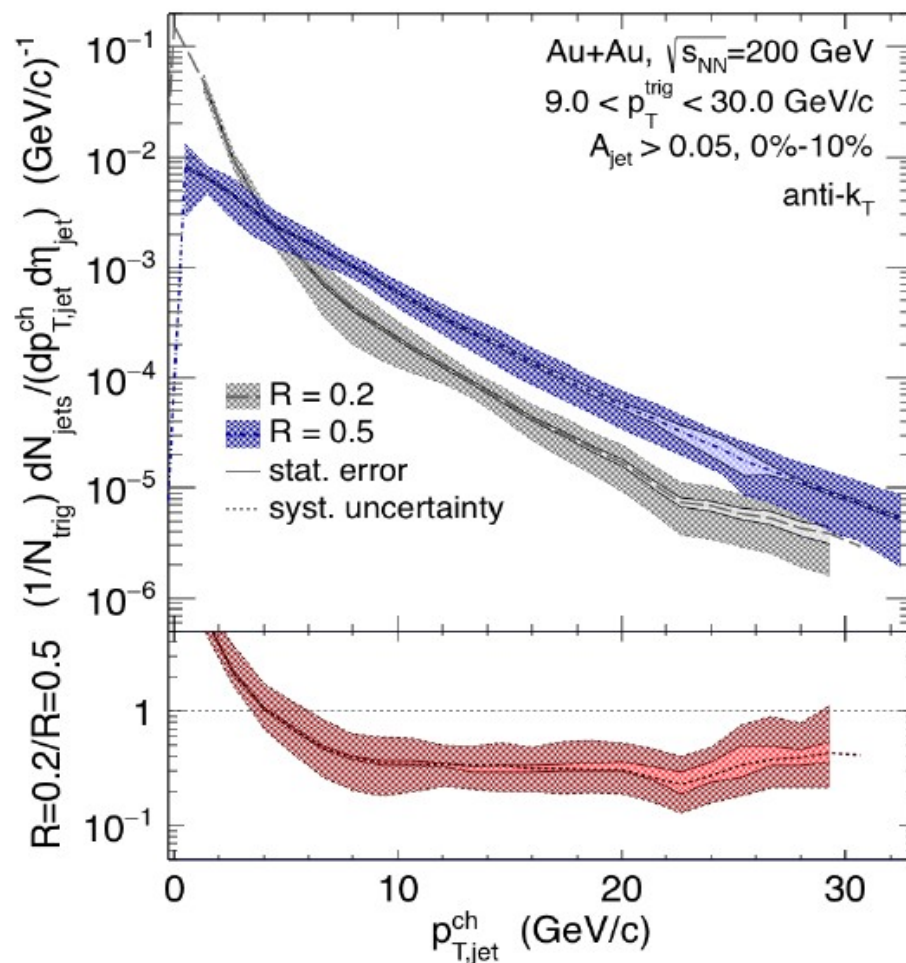
- significant suppression for  $R=0.2 - 0.4$
- minimal suppression for  $R=0.5$

# Spectra ratio for different R

peripheral



central



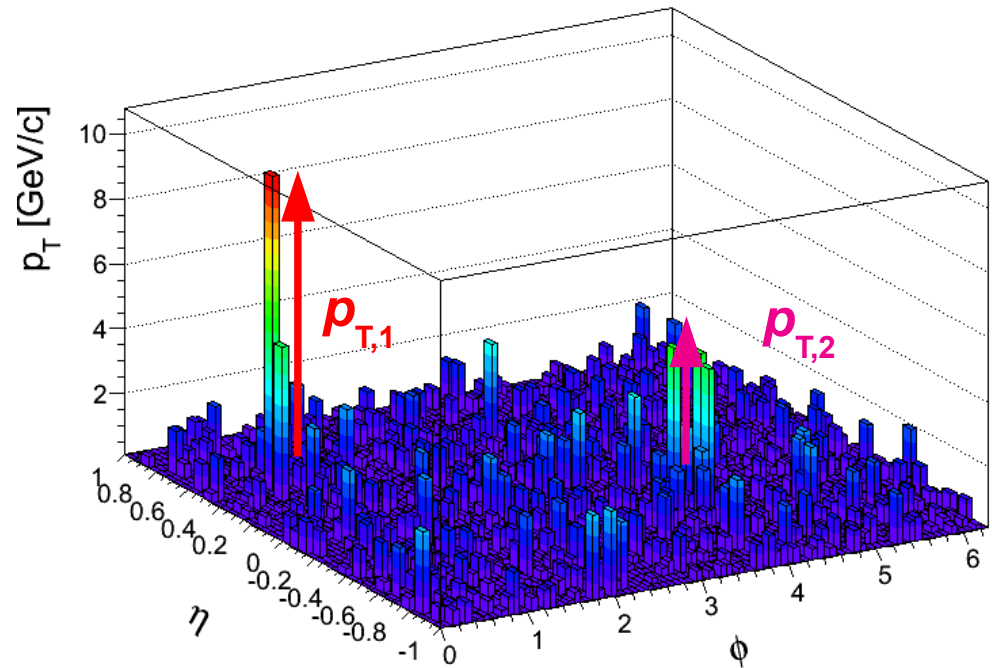
- suggests broadening of intra-jet structure due to jet quenching



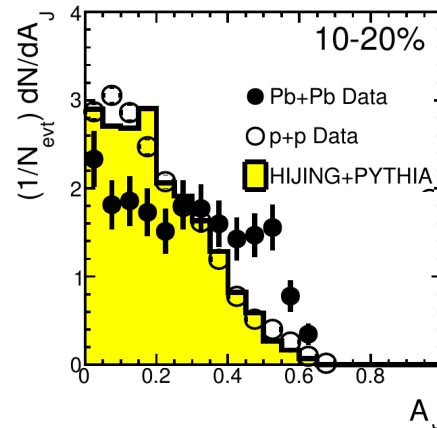
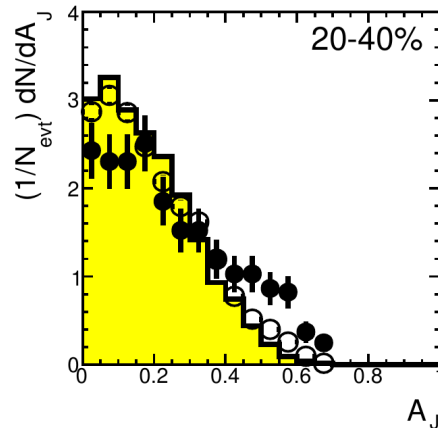
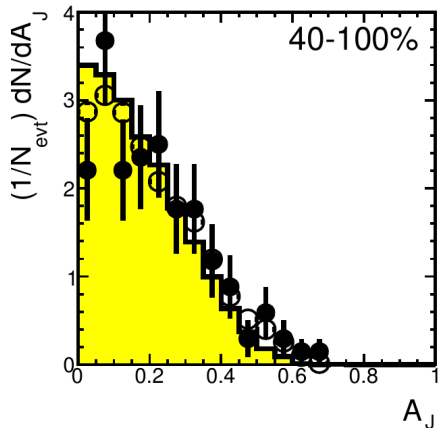
# Di-jet Momentum Imbalance

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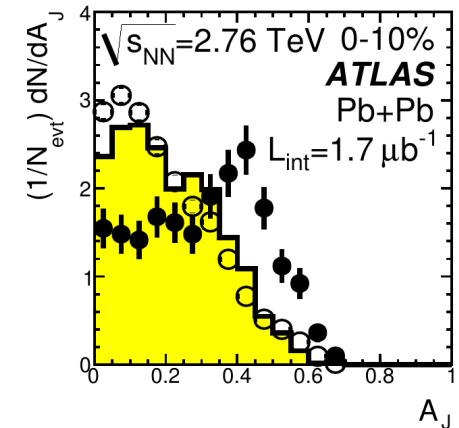
- di-jet momentum asymmetry
- signal of medium-induced jet modification
- measured for **full jets**



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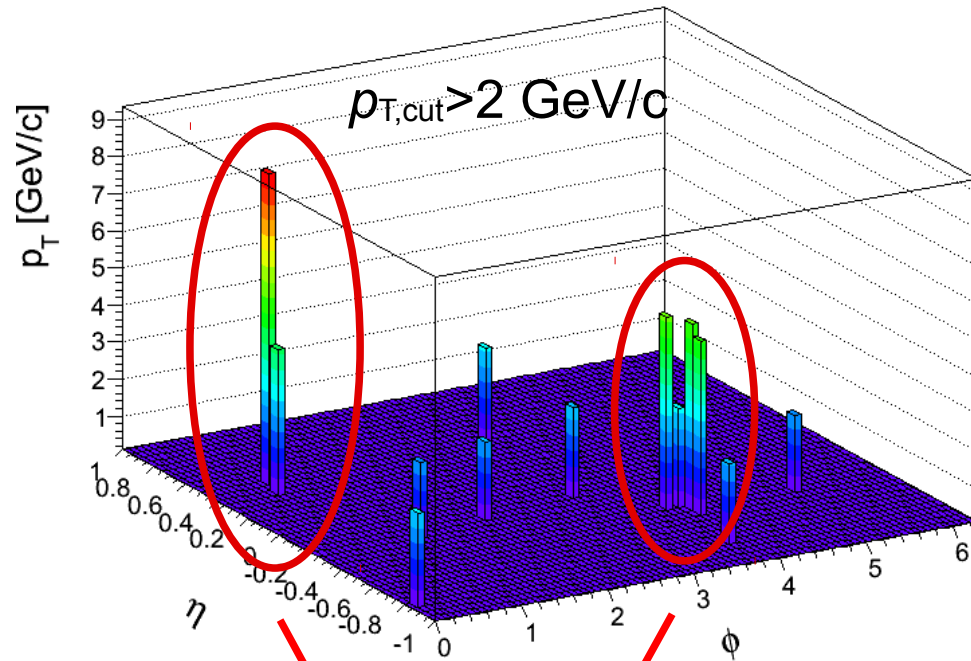


# $A_J$ Calculation in STAR

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$p_{T,SubLead} > 10 \text{ GeV}/c$

$\Delta\Phi_{Lead,SubLead} > 2/3 \pi$



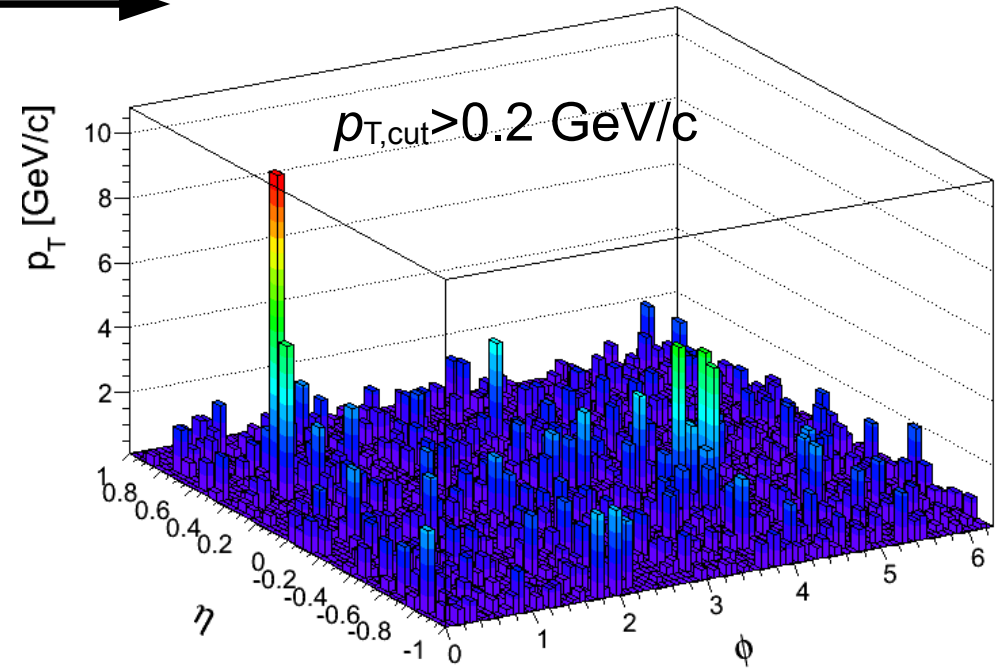
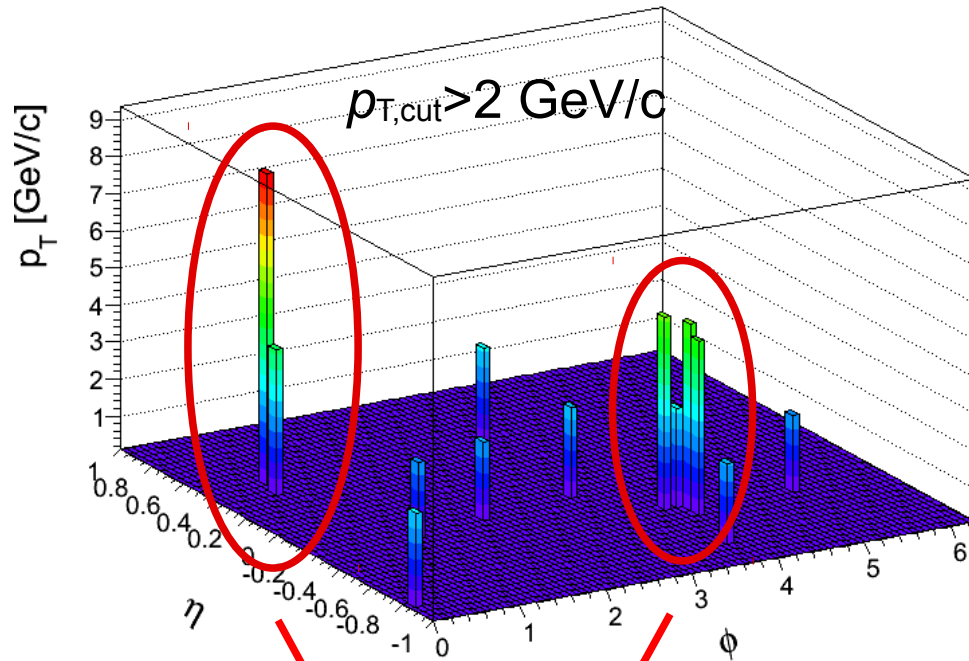
Calculate  $A_J$  with constituent  
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Rerun jet-finding algorithm  
anti- $k_T$  on these events ...



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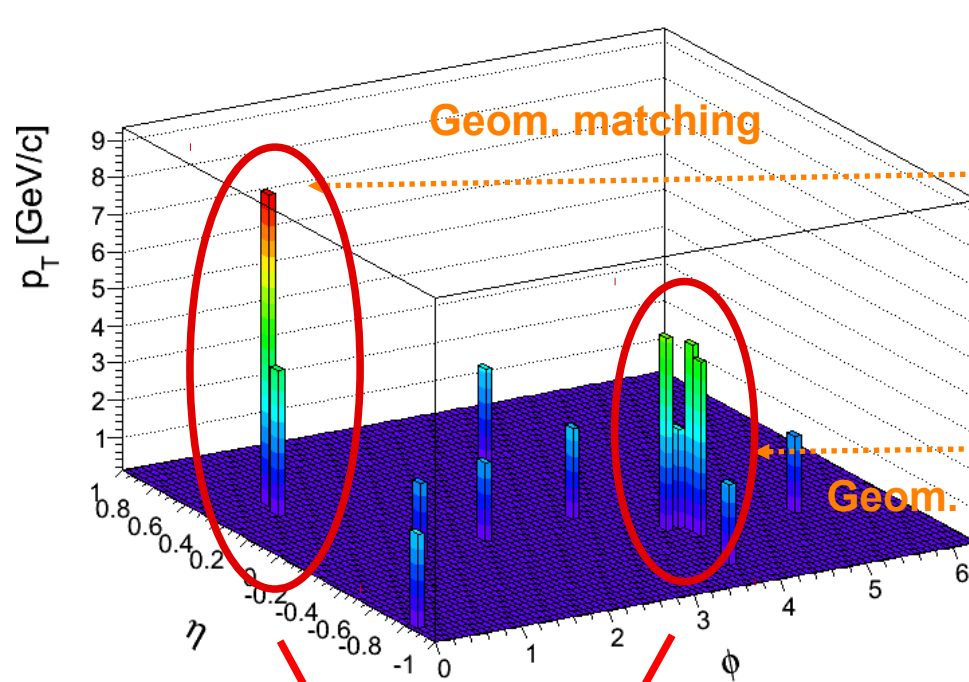
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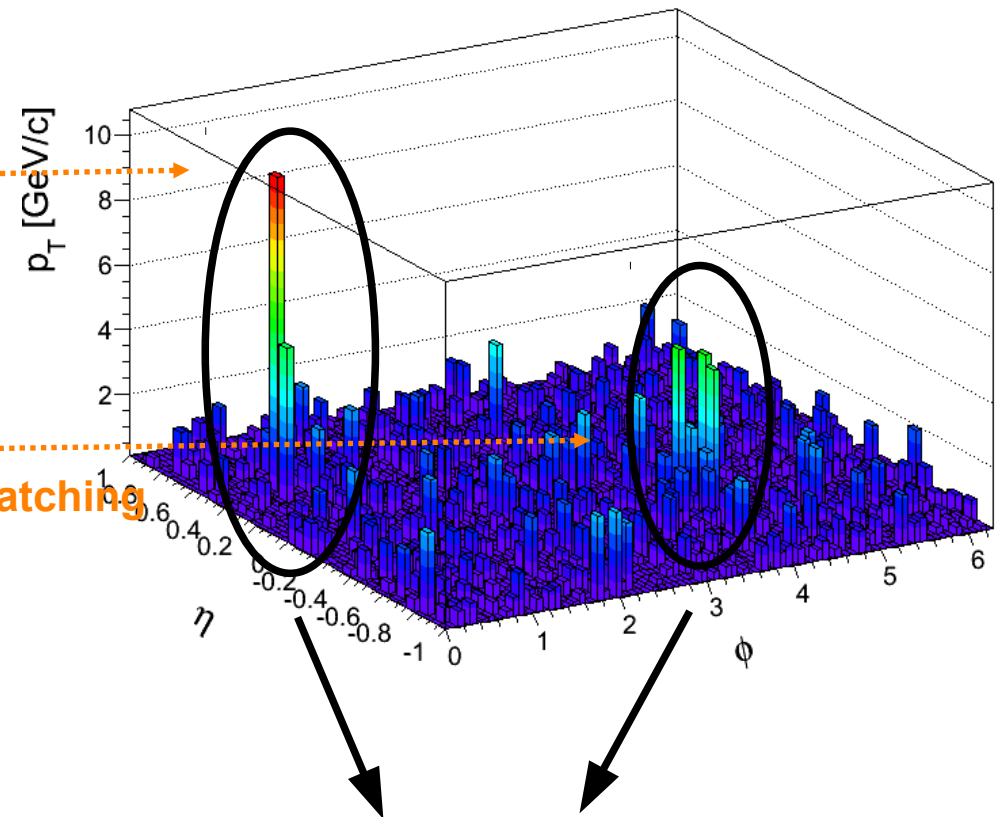
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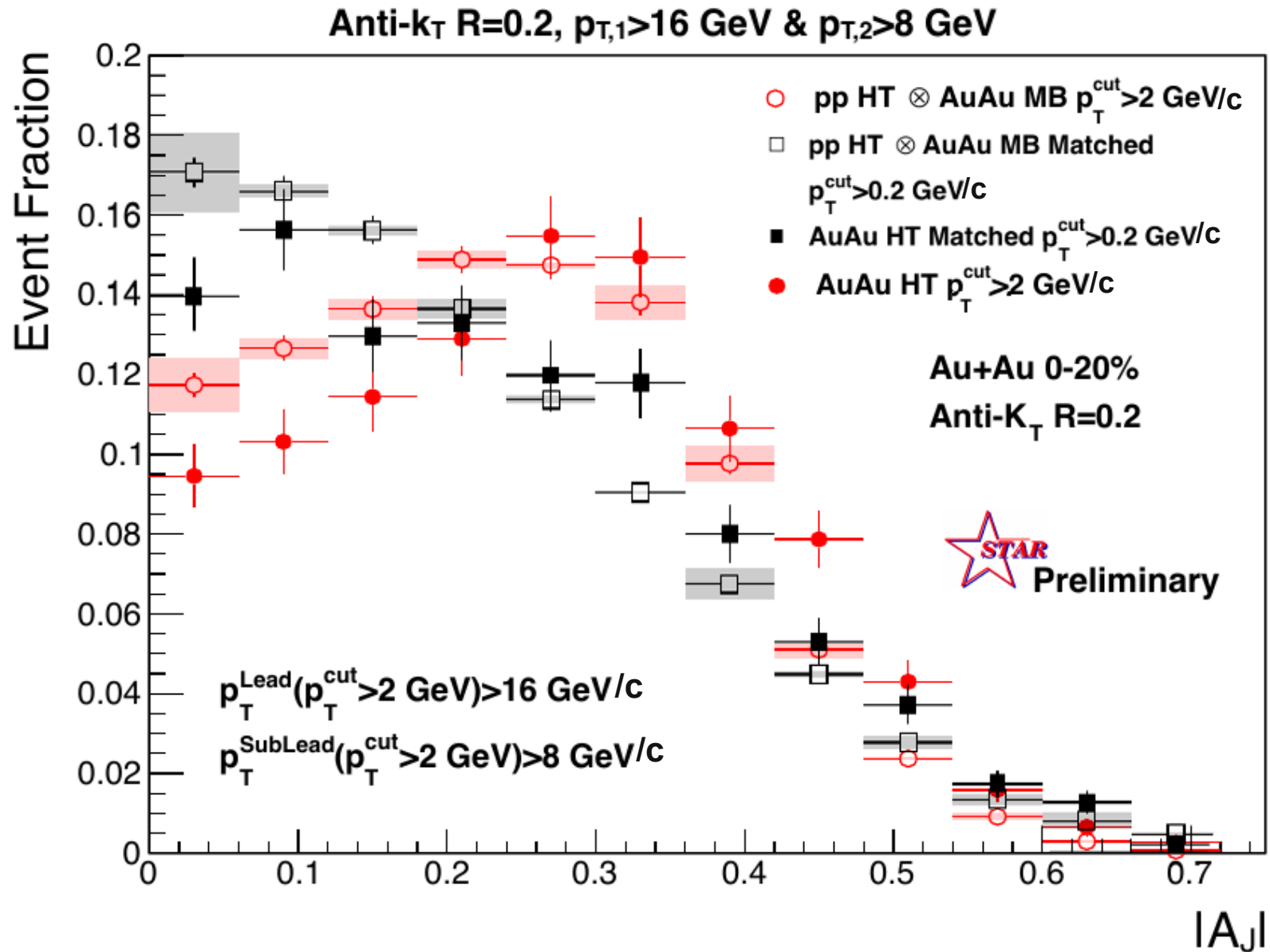
Calculate  $A_J$  with constituent  
**HIGH  $p_{T,\text{cut}} > 2 \text{ GeV}/c$**



Calculate "matched"  $A_J$  with  
constituent **LOW  $p_{T,\text{cut}} > 0.2 \text{ GeV}/c$**

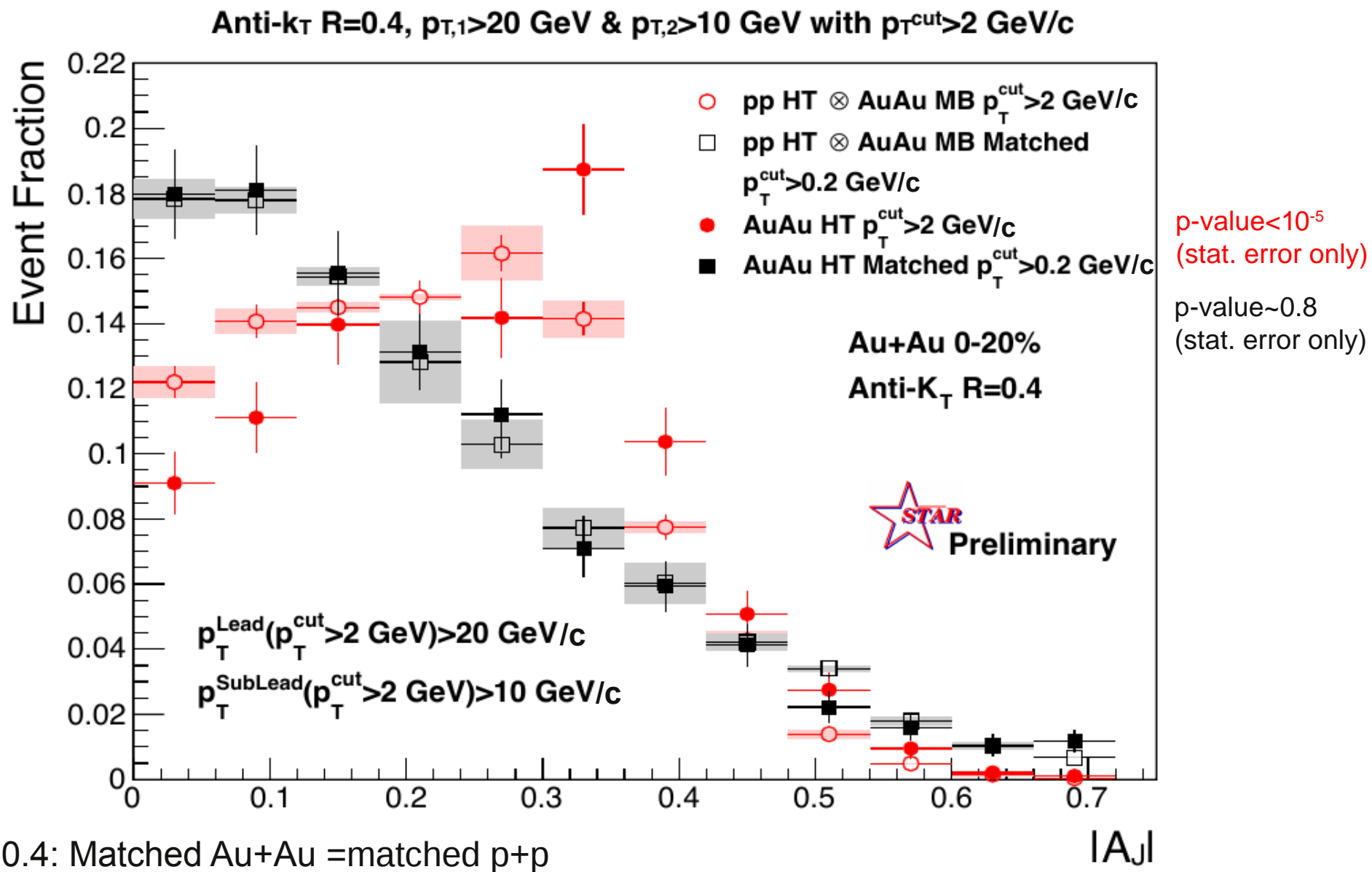
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# $A_j: R=0.2$



R=0.2: Matched Au+Au  $\neq$  matched p+p

# $A_j: R=0.4$



$R=0.4$ : Matched Au+Au = matched p+p

=> Energy recovered for  $R=0.4$  with low  $p_T$  particles (?)

# Conclusion

- **Inclusive charged jet spectra measured at STAR**
  - pp baseline for  $R_{AA}$ : work in progress
- **Semi-inclusive recoil charged jet spectra measured at STAR**
  - mixed event technique used to reduce background
  - ratio of  $R=0.2/0.5$  suggests broadening of intra-jet structure in central collisions due to jet quenching
- **Di-jet asymmetry  $A_J$ :**
  - no significant difference between Au+Au and p+p for low  $p_T$  constituent cut for  $R=0.4$

BACKUP



# Systematic Uncertainties

Shape (unfolding) uncertainties:

- SVD and Bayesian unfolding used
- 13 different prior functions
- optimal iteration, opt. Iter. +1
- $2 \cdot 13 \cdot 2$  solutions  $\Rightarrow$  QA cuts  $\Rightarrow$   $\sim 5$ -10 solutions

Correlated uncertainties:

- tracking efficiency  $\pm 5\%$  (absolute)
  - jet fragmentation:  $2u+1g$  vs pure  $u$  or  $g$  sample (detector RM)
  - uncorrected  $\delta p_T \Rightarrow \sqrt{2}$  corrected  $\delta p_T$
  - pp-like hadron ratios  $\Rightarrow$  AuAu-like
- } negligible

# Optimal iteration/regularization parameter value

## Properties to test:

- compare backfolded and measured distribution (comparison of 2 histograms)
- compare solutions for  $i$  and  $i+1$  or  $k$  and  $k+1$  (comparison of 2 histograms)
- smoothness of the unfolded spectra (property of 1 histogram)

## How to compare two histograms:

•  ~~$\chi^2$  - test~~

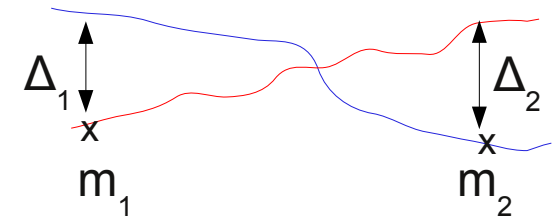
$$\chi^2/\text{NDF} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(a_i - b_i)^2}{a_i + b_i}$$

• **average relative distance**

$$R = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{|a_i - b_i|}{\min(a_i, b_i)}$$

• ~~Kolmogorov-Smirnov test~~

$$\Delta_{\text{KS}} = \max_j \left| \sum_{i=1}^j \left( \frac{a_i}{I_a} - \frac{b_i}{I_b} \right) \right|, j \in \langle 1, n \rangle$$



## Smoothness:

• curvature

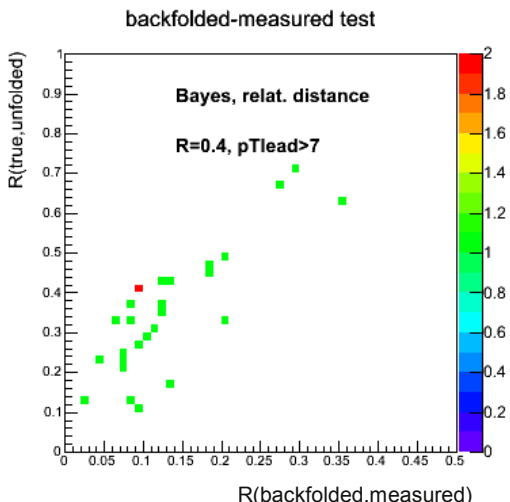
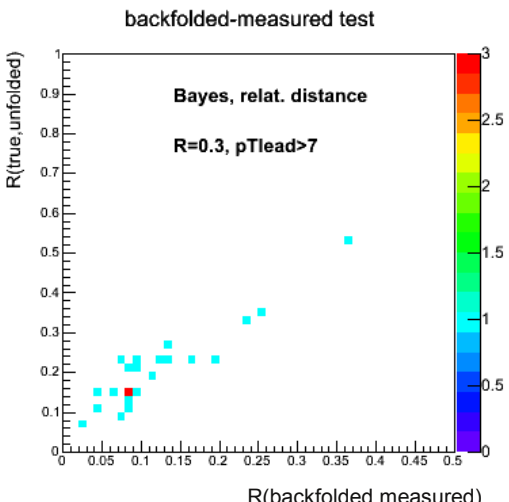
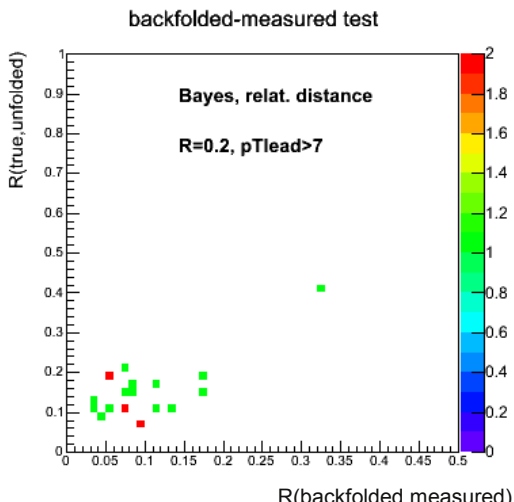
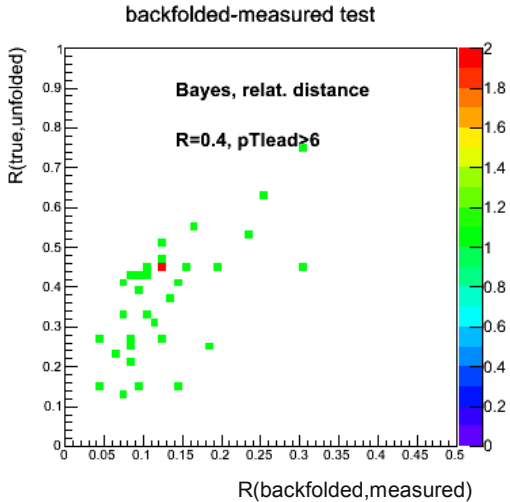
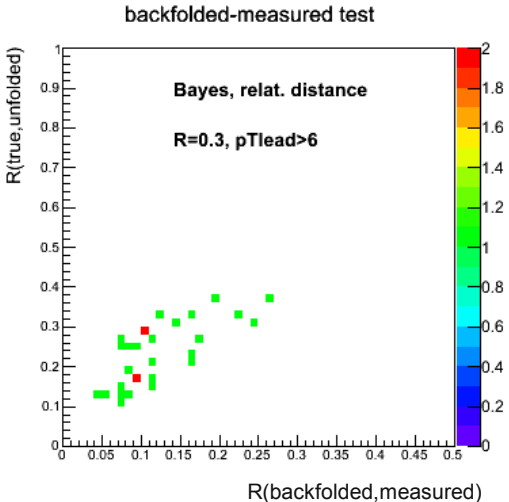
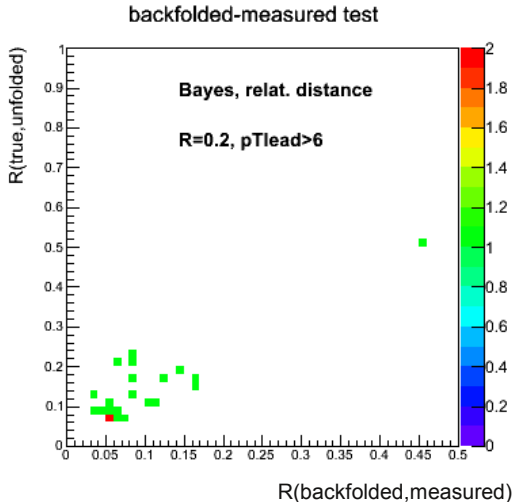
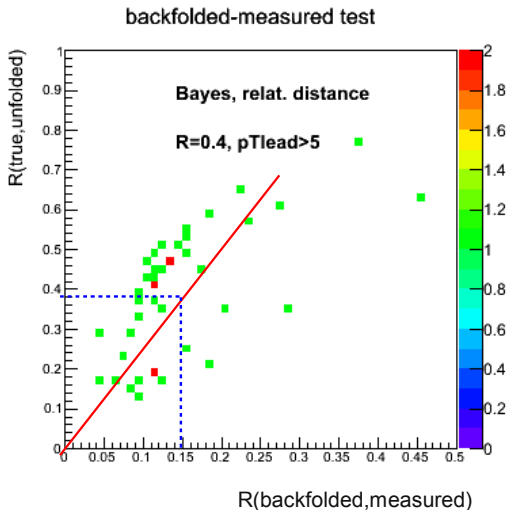
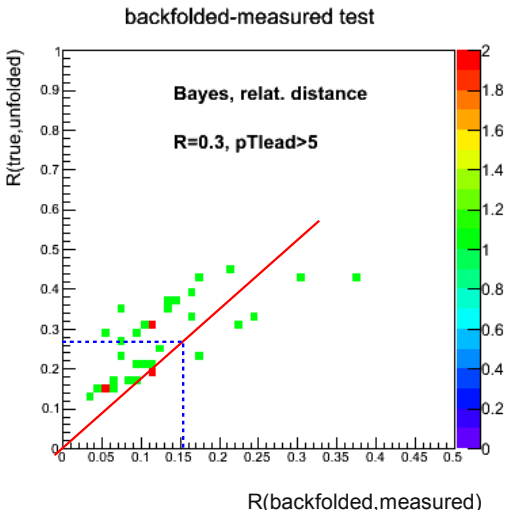
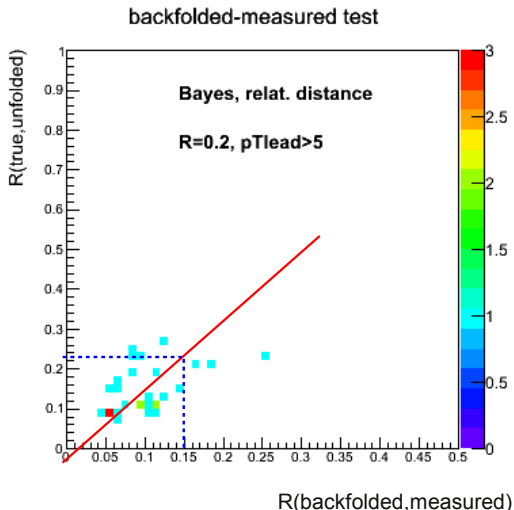
$$C = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=2}^{n-1} \frac{((w_{i+1} - w_i) - (w_i - w_{i-1}))^2}{w_i^2}$$

$$w_i \dots \frac{\text{content of } i^{\text{th}} \text{ bin}}{\text{width of } i^{\text{th}} \text{ bin}}$$

$a_i, b_i \dots$  content of  $i^{\text{th}}$  bin

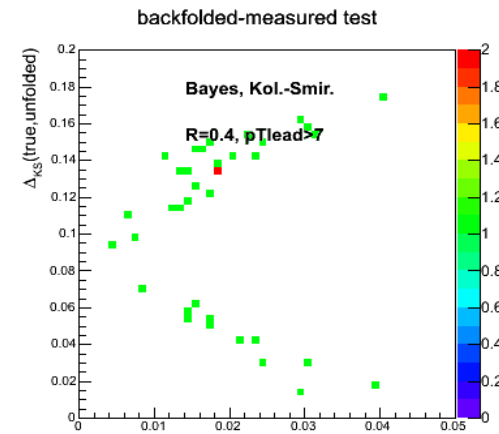
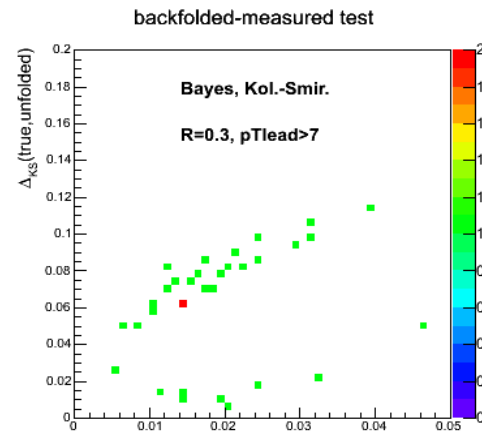
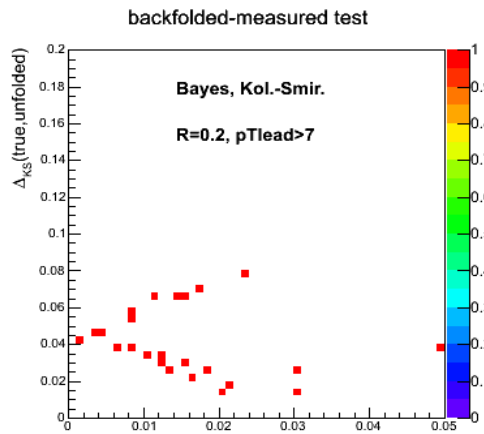
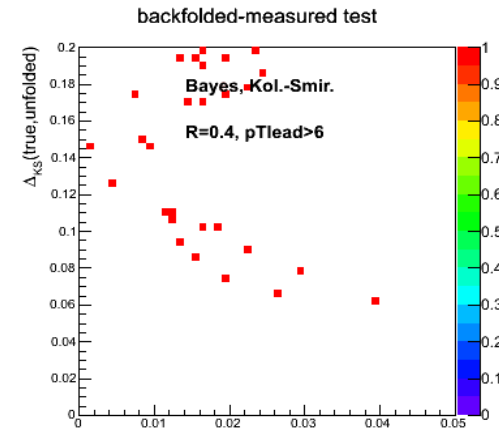
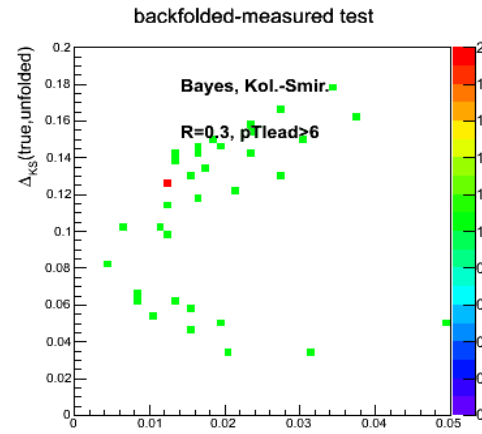
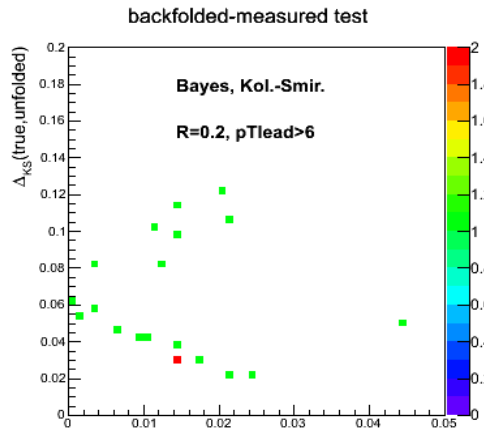
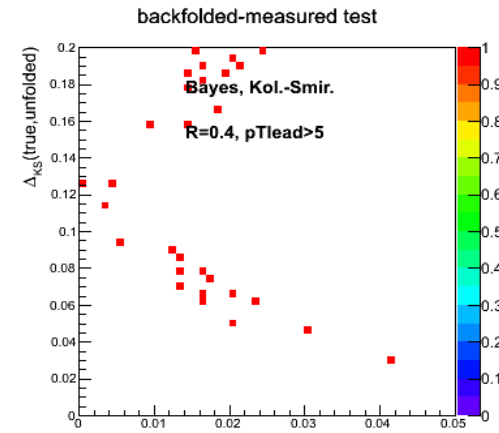
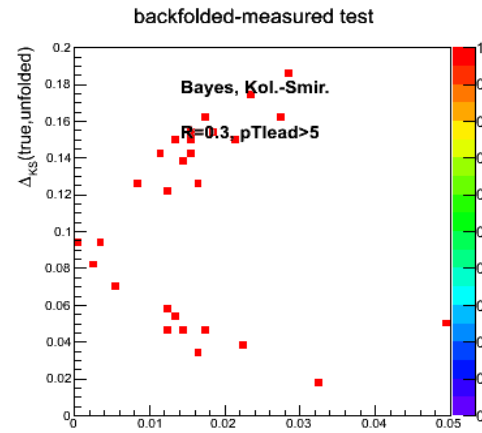
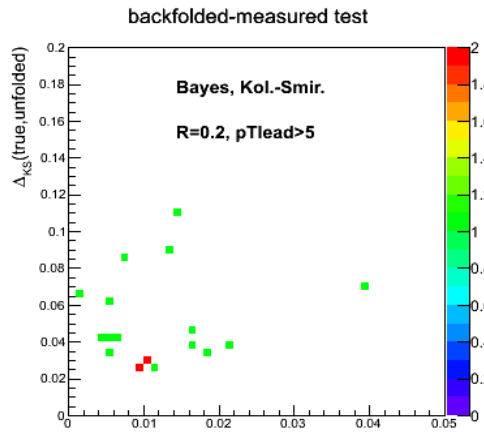
$I_a, I_b \dots$  total counts of the histogram

# Toymodel stat. test study - example:



example:

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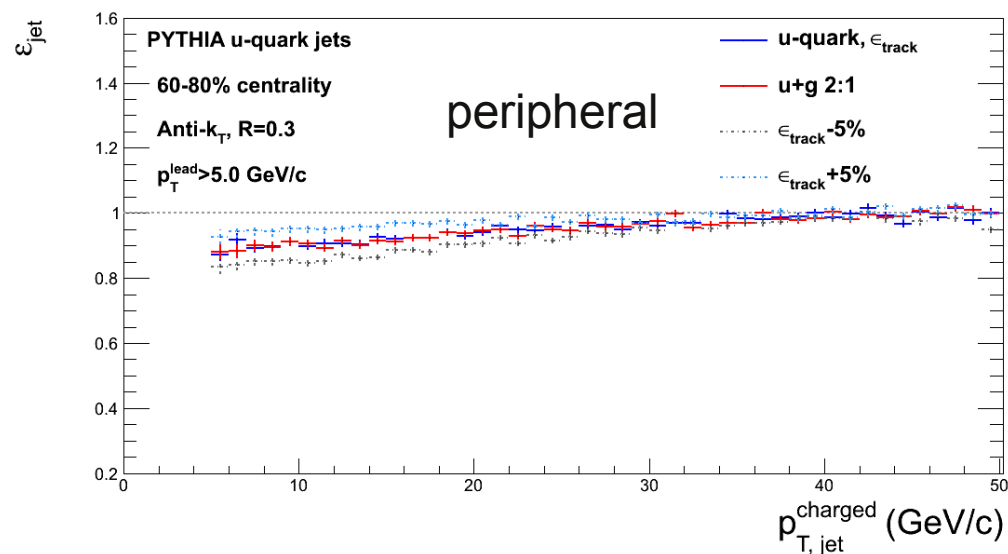
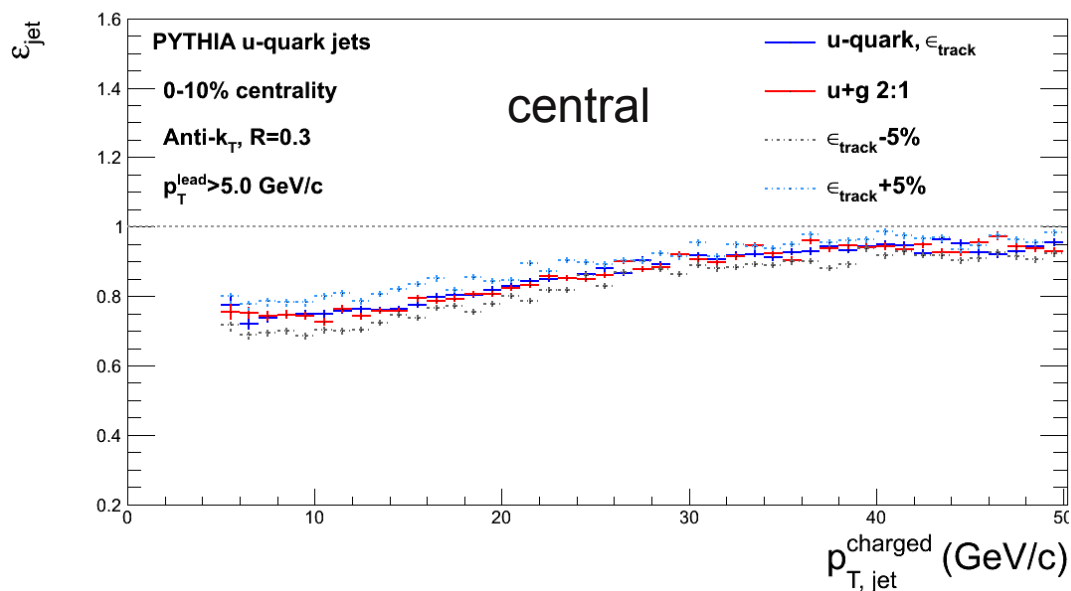
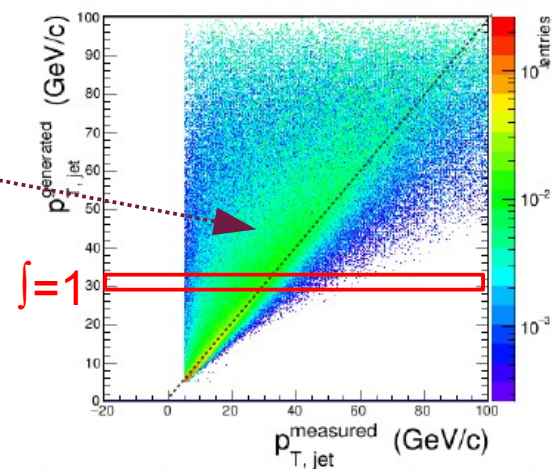


# Jet Reconstruction Efficiency

$$\varepsilon(p_{T,\text{jet}}^{\text{part}}) = \frac{\frac{dN_{\text{jet}}}{dp_{T,\text{jet}}^{\text{det}}} \otimes \widetilde{\mathbf{R}}^{-1} \left[ p_T^{\text{jet,part}} \rightarrow p_T^{\text{jet,det}} \right]}{\frac{dN_{\text{jet}}}{dp_{T,\text{jet}}^{\text{part}}}}$$

unfolded DL spectrum

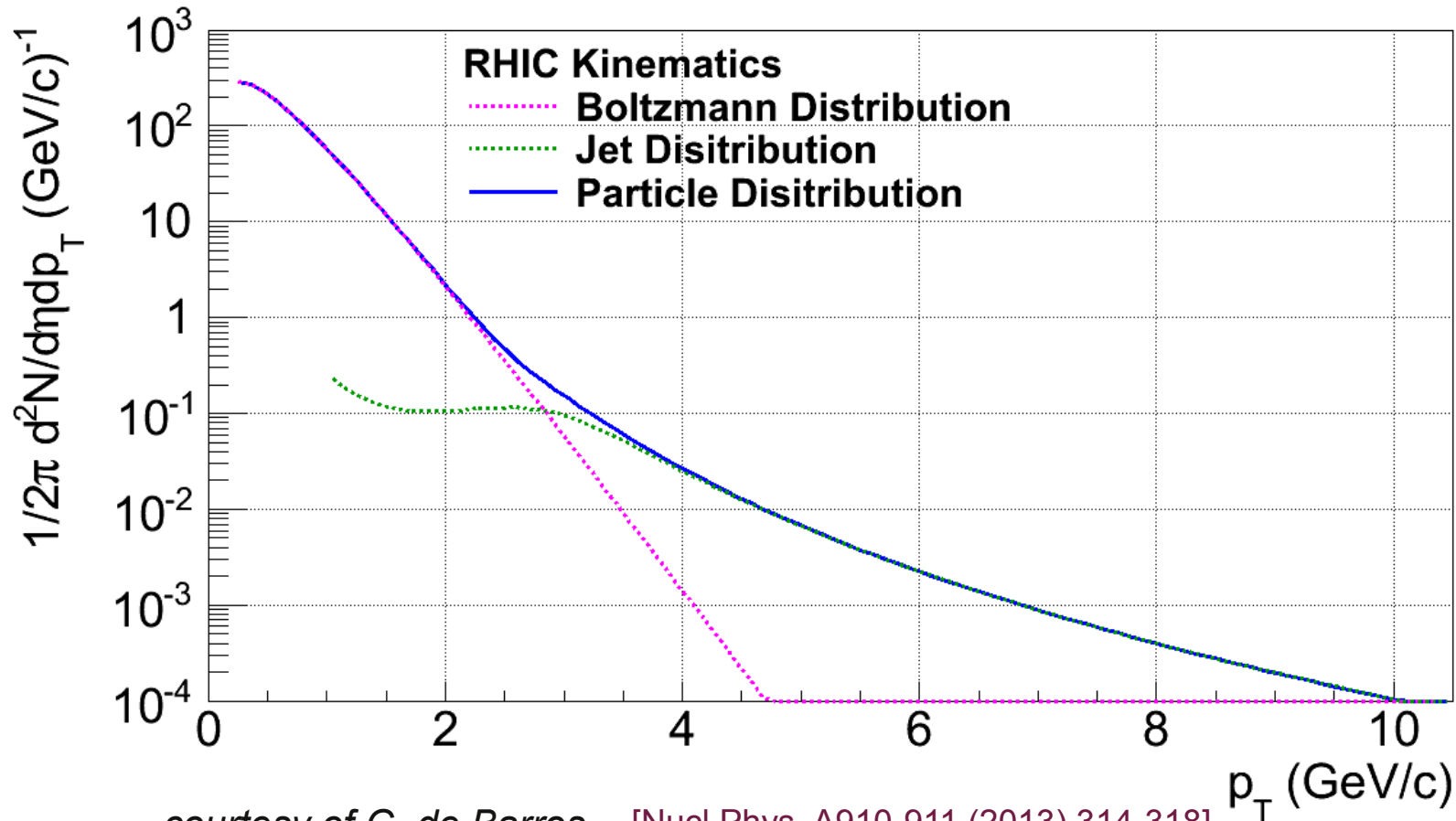
PL spectrum



- applied after the unfolding

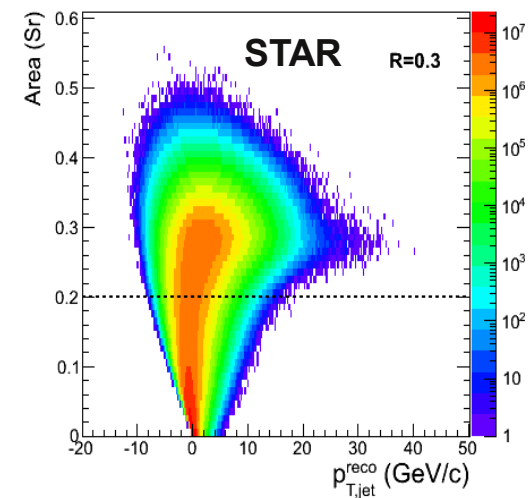
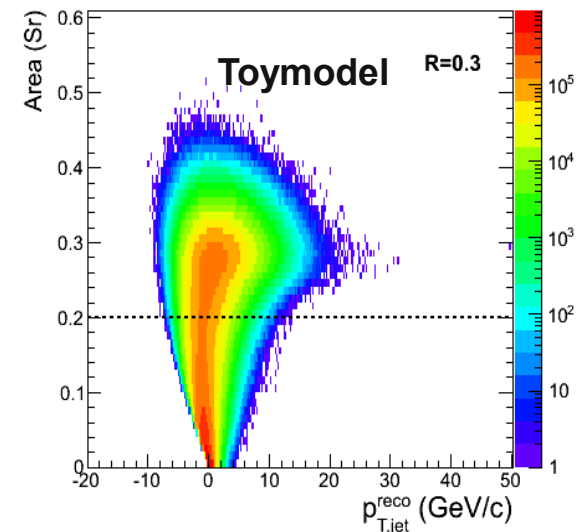
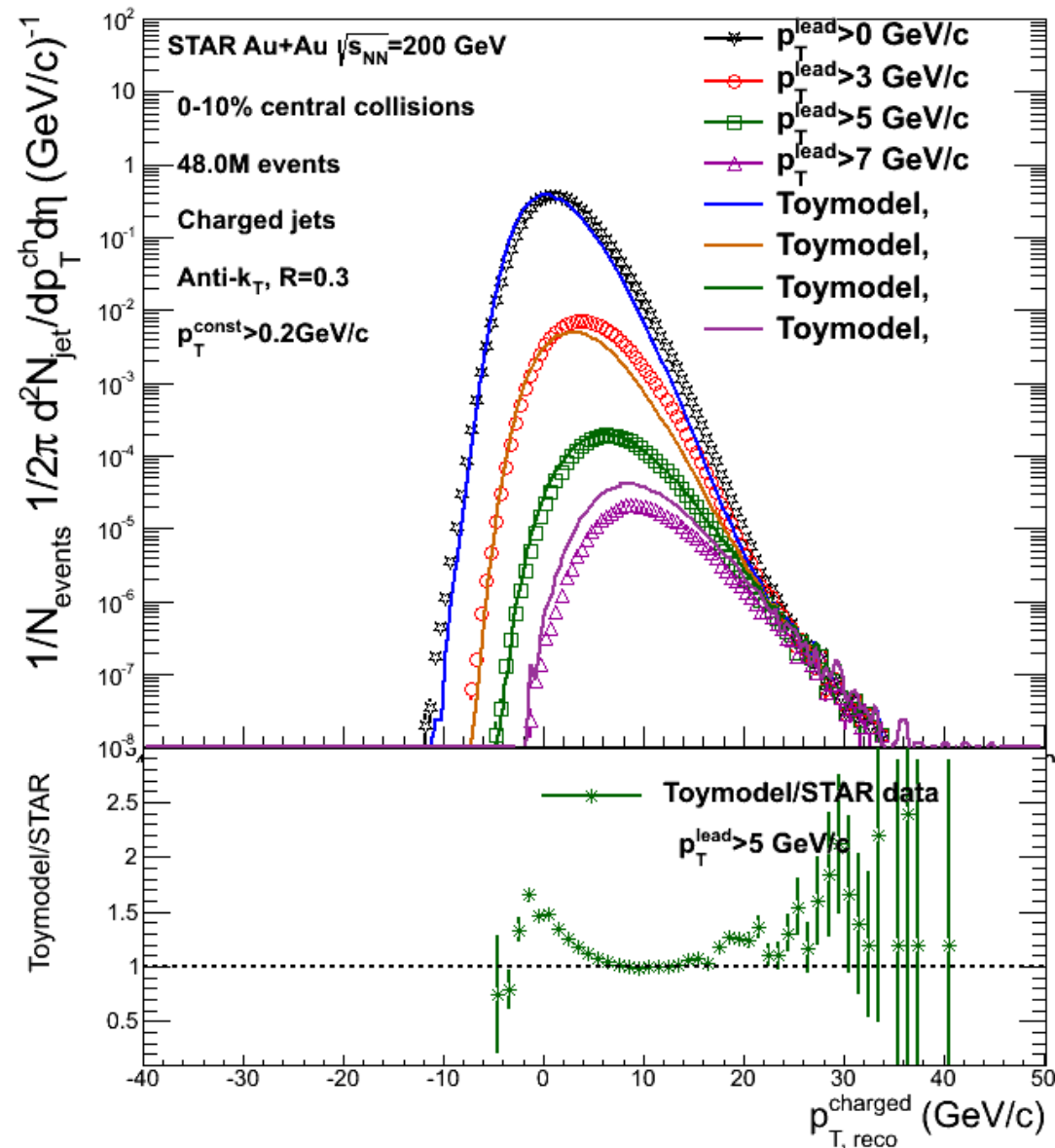
# TOYMODEL

- used for closure test, test bench for unfolding,...
- 2 components:
  - soft thermal background – Boltzman distribution
  - hard jets (several spectra shapes, jet fragmentations – we use TAA\*PYTHIA spectrum w/ u-quark fragmentation)



courtesy of G. de Barros [Nucl.Phys. A910-911 (2013) 314-318]

# TOYMODEL vs STAR data



- despite its simplicity qualitatively agrees with data  
 => multi-hadron correlations and other more complicated effects are not driving the features of jet distributions (same conclusion comes from Alex's mixed event studies)

## Jet Matching:

- Corresponding PL jets and DL jets are matched on geometrical basis:
  - for given PL1 jet a closest DL1 jet is found (the distance has to be smaller than R)
  - for the matched DL1 jet a closest PL2 jet is found
  - if the PL1 = PL2 than the jets PL1 and DL1 are matched
- Detector level jet population is required to satisfy the same criteria as for real data analysis (acceptance, area cut,  $p_{\text{T}}^{\text{leading}}$  cut)
- Particle level jet is required to satisfy only criteria on acceptance and  $p_{\text{T}}^{\text{leading}}$  cut
- For each matched pair the corresponding bin in the detector response matrix is incremented



- no general prescription
- depends on the prior choice
- too many iterations -> enhancement of statistical fluctuations  
=> wild oscillations

# SVD: choice of regularization parameter $k$

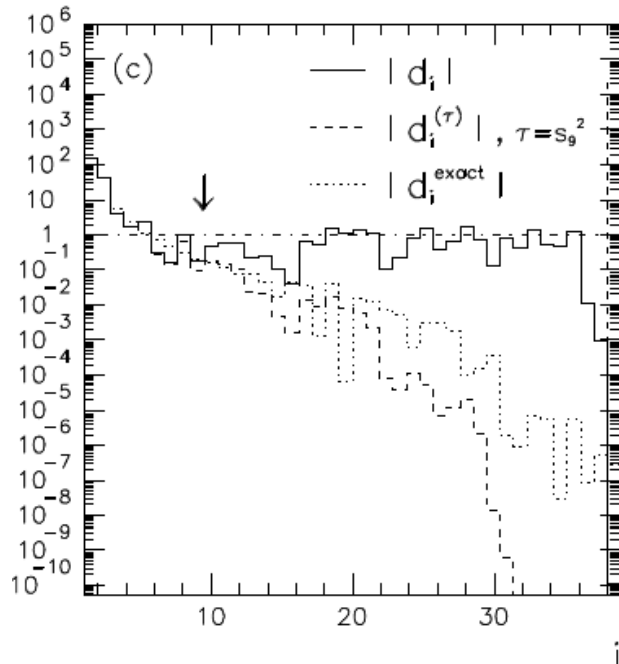
notation:

$Rx=m$  //original problem

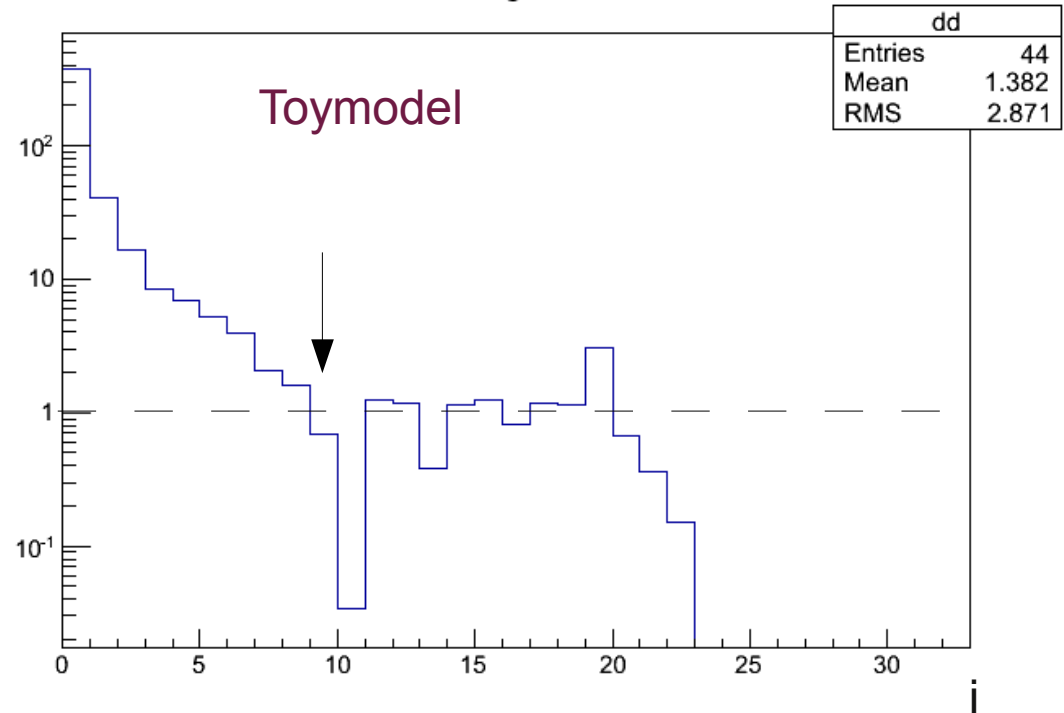
$R=USV^T$  //SVD decomposition of  $R$

$d:=U^T m'$  //definition of  $d$  vector

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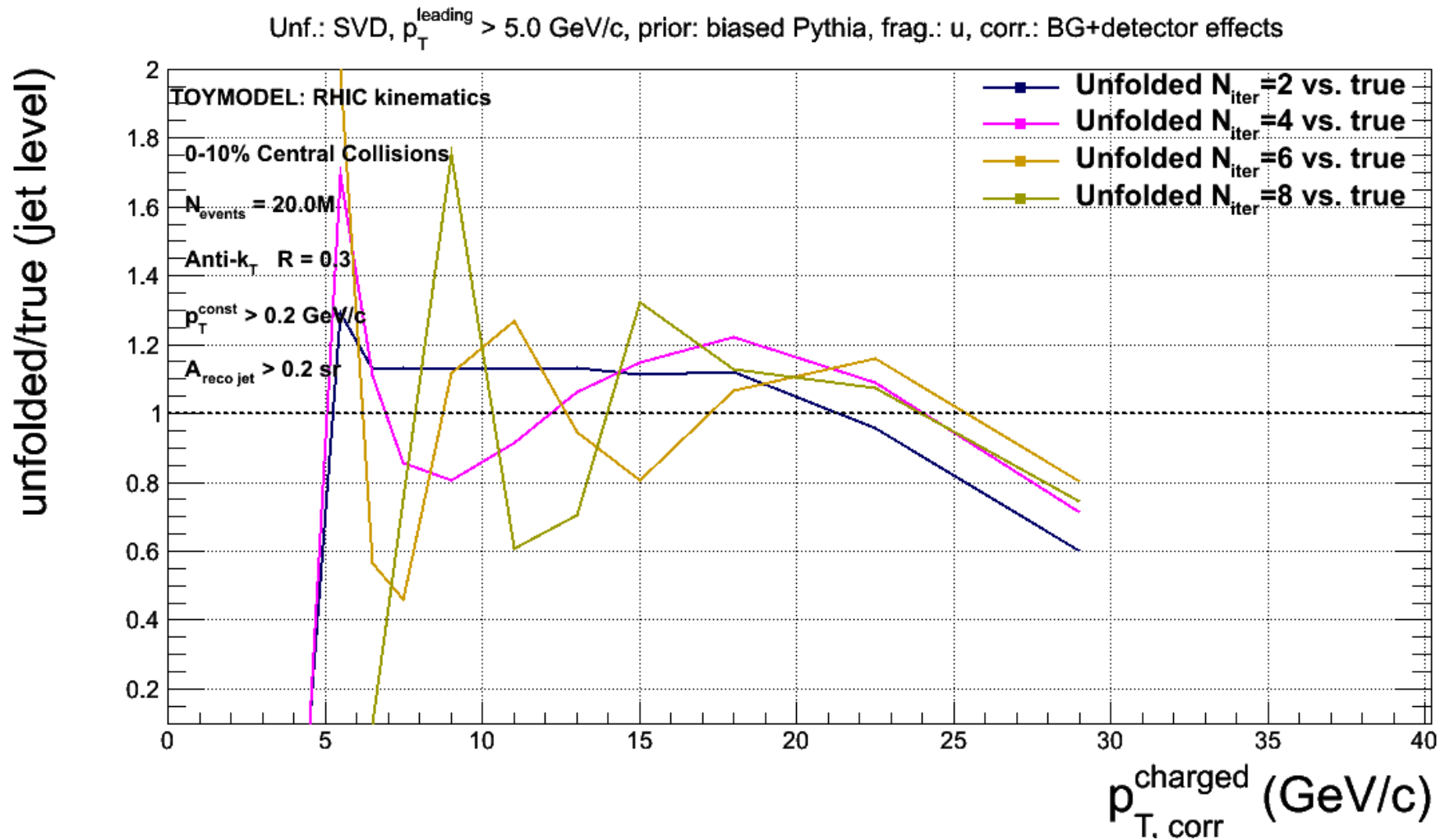
$d$  vector after orthogonal transformation



=> in theory, optimal  $k=9-10...$

# SVD: choice of regularization parameter $k$

Toy model simulation - closure test (we know the generated distribution):



...from closure test => already  $k=8$  very poor

example:

(weak)

