



Jets in sPHENIX and Opinions on Impactful Measurements

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sPHENIX a Jet Detector:

Complete Electromagnetic and Hadronic Calorimeter system:

Differential measurements of complete jets

Precision tracking with the **Time Projection Chamber**

Detailed studies of jet structure

Event plane correlations of jet observables with the **Event Plane Detectors**



sPHENIX a Jet Detector:





Year	Species	$\sqrt{s_{NN}}$	Cryo	Physics	Rec. Lum.	Samp. Lum.
		[GeV]	Weeks	Weeks	z <10 cm	$ z < 10 { m cm}$
2023	Au+Au	200	24 (28)	9 (13)	$3.7 (5.7) \mathrm{nb}^{-1}$	4.5 (6.9) nb ⁻¹
2024	$p^{\uparrow}p^{\uparrow}$	200	24 (28)	12 (16)	0.3 (0.4) pb ⁻¹ [5 kHz]	45 (62) pb ⁻¹
					4.5 (6.2) pb ⁻¹ [10%- <i>str</i>]	
2024	p^{\uparrow} +Au	200	_	5	0.003 pb ⁻¹ [5 kHz]	$0.11 \ { m pb}^{-1}$
					$0.01 \text{ pb}^{-1} [10\%-str]$	
2025	Au+Au	200	24 (28)	20.5 (24.5)	13 (15) nb ⁻¹	21 (25) nb ⁻¹

>Large data sets will enable a multitude of differential jet measurements

 \succ Precision measurements of low p_T jets

► Jets out to 70 GeV

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► Enable comparisons to LHC results
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Jets at RHIC versus the LHC

RHIC produces a lower QGP temperature
 Jets travers a different QGP than at LHC

Different Quark/Gluon fractions at RHIC
 Significant relative enhancement of quark jets

Reduced underlying event at RHIC energies
 Enables precise measurements of low p_T Jets



Some Key Jet Observables:

Nuclear Modification Factors
Measurements of low p_T jet quenching

➤Jet Correlations:

Event plane correlations (v₂)
 Dijet momentum balance (x_J)
 $\gamma + Jet$ balance (x_I)

>Jet Structure/Substructure:

Momentum fraction and opening angle

Jet splitting angle dependence to quenching

- >Jet quenching as a function of jet size
- ➢ Jet Flavor Dependencies:

Heavy flavor tagged jets





Cartoon from Martin Rybar

What are my expectations for first sPHENIX jet measurements?

- Year one of sPHENIX consists of a significant Au+Au sample
 No pp reference until year two
- First measurements to focus on observables which do not require a p+p baseline using calorimetric jets
 Jet-correlations will provide key insights



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- LHC has performed precise measurements of Jet v₂ at high p_T



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 - Significantly improve model constraint for lower p_T^{Jet}



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- sPHENIX will provide key constraint on the quenching of low p_T dijet pairs
 Correlation with event plane angle will
 - directly probe the role of P.L. energy loss



$$\gamma + Jets$$

- Transverse momentum balance of photon+jets enables direct study of jet quenching in Au+Au collisions
 - Photon-jets provide golden-channel to study jet quenching
- γ tagged jets enable quark vrs gluon energy loss

Produce enhanced quark jet sample

SPHENIX can precisely quantify tagged jet energy loss at low p_T^{Jet}



Heavy Ion Measurements using years 1-3

Extensive two year Au+Au data sample

> Enable differential jet measurements

- High statistics p+p will provide a critical reference for jet production
 - Enable measurements of jet modification in HI collisions

Nuclear Modification Factors \blacktriangleright Measurements of low p_T jet quenching > let Correlations: Event plane correlations (v_2) \succ Dijet momentum balance (x_I) $\succ \gamma + Jet$ balance (x_{Iy}) ➢ Jet Structure/Substructure: Momentum fraction and opening angle Jet splitting angle dependence to quenching Jet quenching as a function of jet size >Jet Flavor Dependencies: Heavy flavor tagged jets Far From an Inclusive List

Jet Quenching:

- ➢ sPHENIX will perform precise measurements of the R_{AA} of jets
- \succ sPHENIX will provide key insight to jet quenching at low p_T^{Jet}





Jet Quenching: Radius dependence

- Jet quenching vrs R probes balance of recovery of out of cone E-Loss and medium response, versus jet structure dependence
 - \succ Larger R \Rightarrow recovery of E-Loss
 - \succ Larger R \Rightarrow more medium response
 - \succ Wider jet splitting angle \Rightarrow more suppressed
- For at the LHC for low p_T^{Jet}
- SPHENIX will be able to perform precise measurement in region of tension



Jet Substructure

- Measurements of jet substructure provide access to the nature of interactions with the QGP
 - > Does the medium resolve early parton shower?
 - How does jet quenching depend on the width of the jet?

> sPHENIX will probe jet sub-structure

- Groomed jet substructure with soft drop
- Large R jet substructure with re-clustered small R jets
- Studies of the energy deposition and correlations within and around jets using calorimeter clusters, TCCs, and particle flow objects



B-jet Tagging

Heavy Flavor Tagged jets:

Secondary Vertex Tagging

Identify b-jets based on 3D flight distance of secondary vertex reconstructed within jet cone

Large DCA Track Counting

Tag b-jets through the number of tracks with large DCA



B-jet tagging in Au+Au



Simulation study performed on inclusive jets in PYTHIA8 embedded into central HIJING events

➢ Both methods perform ~40% efficiency at ~40% purity
7/20/2 Application of a SV mass cutveanticreate a very high purity b-jet sample

Anticipated first b-jet measurements



First measurements will provide important insight to the mass dependence of jet medium interactions at RHIC

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Summary:

sPHENIX is designed as a state of the art jet detector and will enable precise characterization of a magnitude of jet observables
 Precise measurements of jets, jet correlations, and jet structure

Will provide key insights into jet quenching effects at the lower QGP temperatures produced at RHIC

Complimentary to measurements at the LHC

Provide constraint to the temperature dependence to jet-medium coupling

Backups

Differential studies of b-jets



Significant mass dependence in the sPHENIX kinematic region

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