

Photon-hadron, Isolated Photon-hadron, and Related Two-Particle Azimuthal Correlations Results in PHENIX

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Outline

Background info

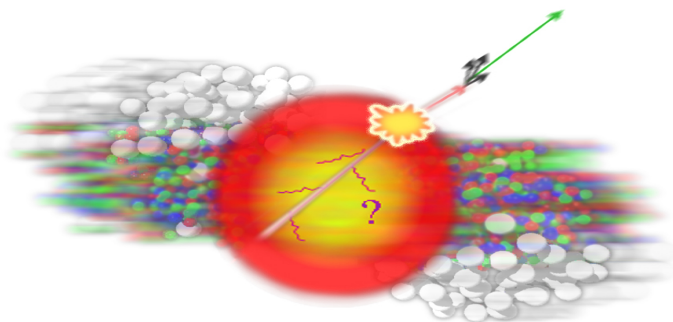
1st part: Review Iso g-h Results in PHENIX

2nd part: Review Interesting Small System d+Au Jet Modification

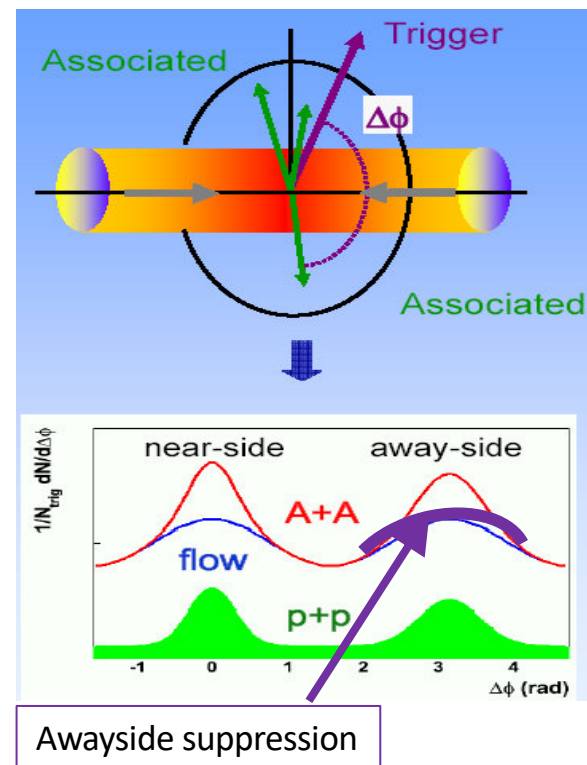
3rd part: NEW RESULT: $^3\text{He}+\text{Au}$ Confirmation of d+Au

Two particle correlation

Jets must be produced in back to back pairs to conserve momentum



- Trigger particle \rightarrow high momentum $\pi^0 \rightarrow$ proxy for jet
- Partner (Associated) particle \rightarrow charged hadron from same jet or “awayside” jet
- Correlation function: $C(\Delta\Phi)$

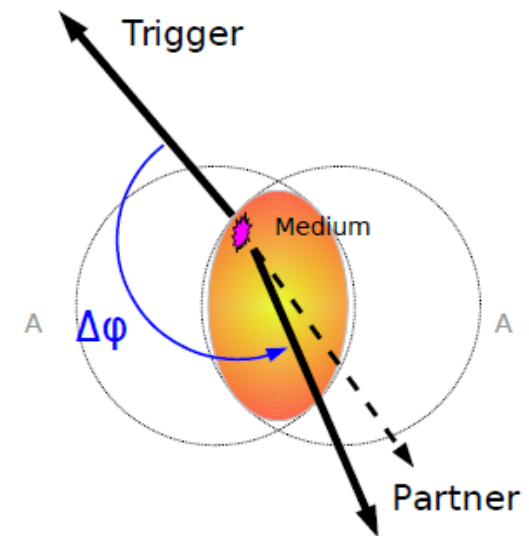


$$C(\Delta\phi) \propto \frac{N_{same}^{AB}(\Delta\phi)}{N_{mixed}^{AB}(\Delta\phi)}$$

Corrects
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detector

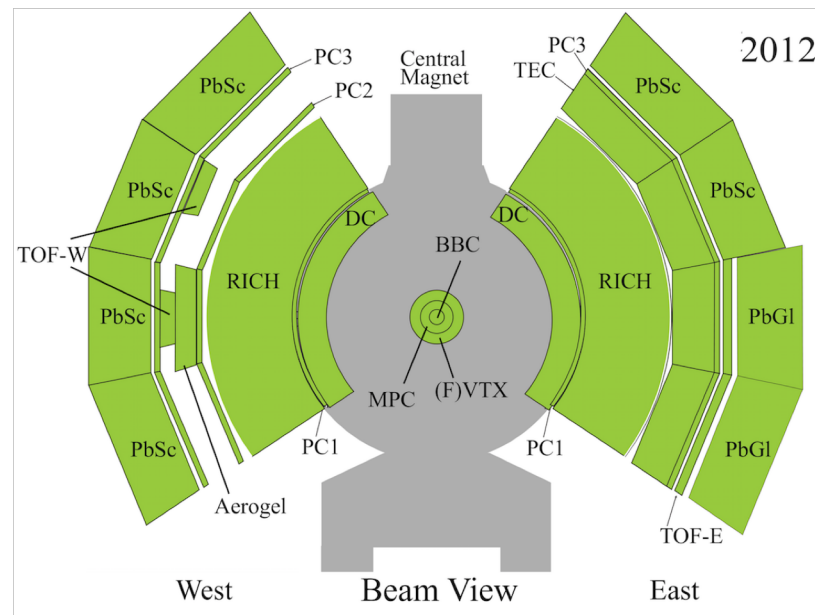
Why direct photon-hadron correlations?

- High p_T direct photons
 - Color neutral – no strong interactions, no E_{loss}
 - Originate from initial hard scattering, \sim no flow
 - Produced alone, opposite direction of jet
 - Generally Isolated
- Direct photon energy is proxy of the opposing jet energy
 - Can study energy loss of away-side jets as they traverse medium
- Two methods of obtaining direct photons in PHENIX
 - Statistical subtraction method – previously used in Au+Au
 - Isolation cut method + modified statistical subtraction



PHENIX Detector overview

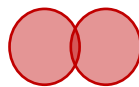
- Two Central Arms: cover $\phi \sim \pi$ and $|\eta| < 0.35$ $\eta \equiv -\ln(\tan \frac{\theta}{2})$
- Electro-magnetic Calorimeter (EMCal): measures $\gamma, \pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
- Drift Chamber (DC) and Pad Chamber (PC): charged particle tracking
- Beam-Beam Counters (BBC) and Zero-Degree Calorimeters (ZDC): measures collision centrality



Source: <https://www.phenix.bnl.gov/www/run/drawing/>



Central collision



peripheral collision

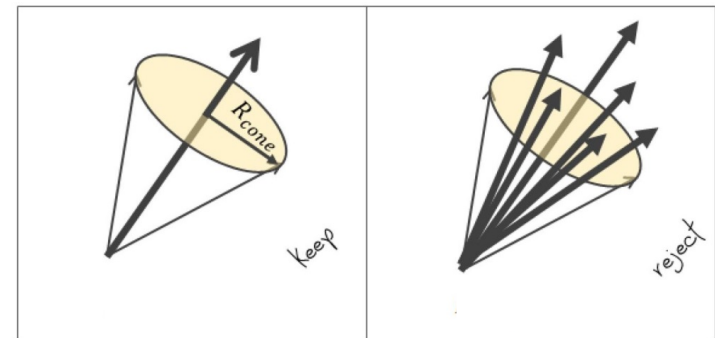
2-p Correlation Analyses - Methods

- Need to measure per-trigger yield (aka jet function)
 - Correlation Function – bkgd (Flow)
- Isolation cut
 - Prompt g : no jet—Iso improves S/B
 - $R_{\text{cone}} = 0.4$, $E_{\text{cone}} < 0.1E_{\gamma}$ (in pp)
 - Cone Parameters depend on underlying event size in Au+Au

$$C(\Delta\phi_{AB}) = J(\Delta\phi_{AB}) + b_0 \frac{dN_{comb}^{AB}}{d\Delta\phi_{AB}}$$

$$\frac{dN_{comb}^{AB}}{d\Delta\phi_{AB}} \propto 1 + 2v_2^A v_2^B \cos(2\Delta\phi_{AB})$$

$$R_{\text{cone}} = \sqrt{(\Delta\phi)^2 + (\Delta\eta)^2}$$



Statistical Subtraction:

g-h: double subtraction of 2-particle measurements:

$$Y_{direct} = \frac{R_\gamma Y_{inclusive} - Y_{decay}}{R_\gamma - 1}$$

$$Y_{direct} \propto C_{incl} - Bkgd_{incl}(Flow) - [C_{decay} - Bkgd_{decay}(Flow)]$$

$$Y_{xxx} \propto C_{xxx} - b_0 \underbrace{\left(1 + 2\langle v_2^\gamma \rangle \langle v_2^h \rangle \cos 2\Delta\phi\right)}_{Bkgd(Flow)}$$

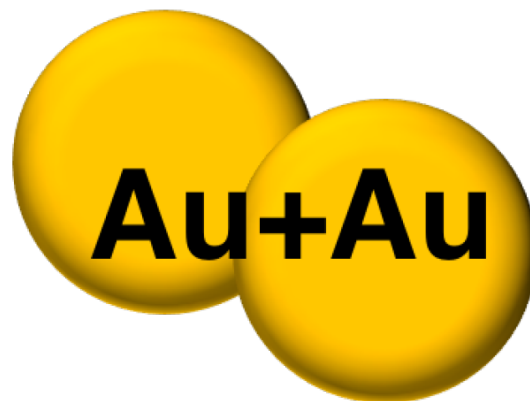
$$R_\gamma = 1 + \frac{N_{direct}}{N_{decay}}$$

Norm

Bkgd(Flow)

- For isolation cut - $Y_{inclusive} = Y_{isolated}$
- For p+p – no flow background subtraction
- No flow subtracted in small systems (e.g. p+Au and d+Au)

1st part

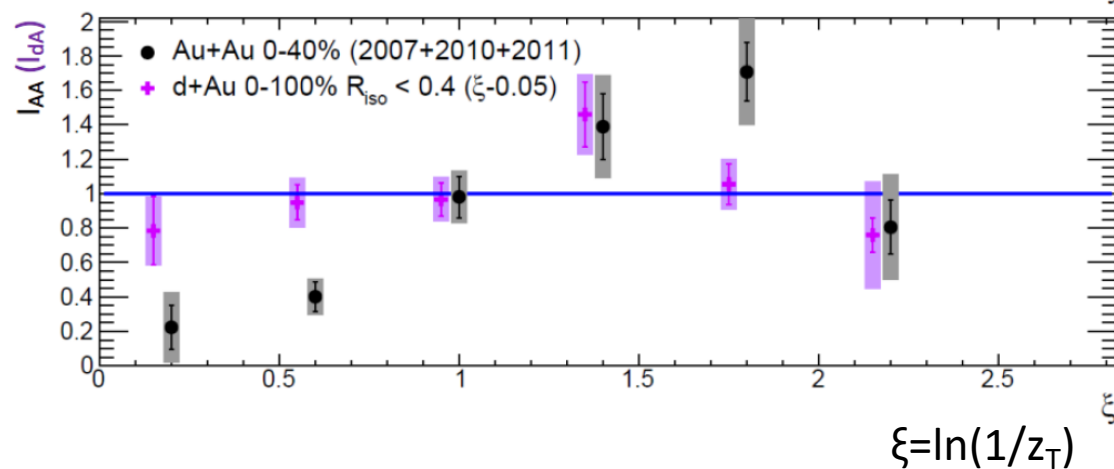
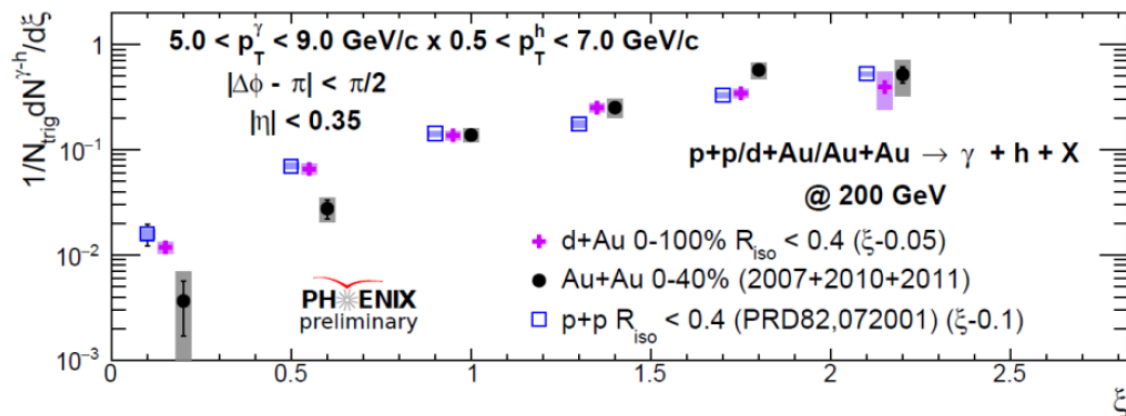
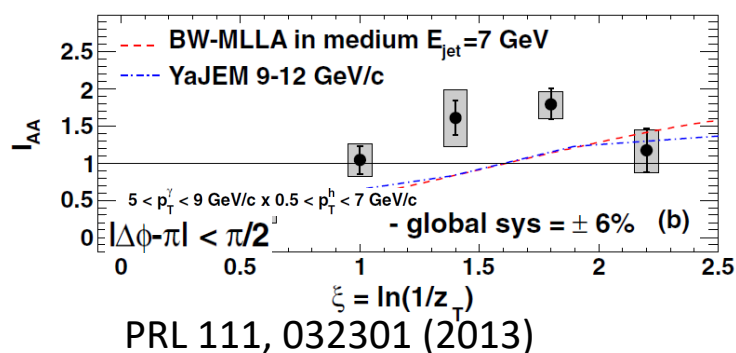


$$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200 \text{ GeV}$$

Goal: Study Jet energy loss in QGP especially improving information about how the lost energy is distributed within the plasma

Fragmentation Function Modification in Au+Au : REMINDER

- 0-40% events – Most central Au+Au
- No clear modification in d+Au
- Enhancement in Au+Au
- Run 7+10+11 Au+Au more precise than previous measurement (Run 7+Run 10)



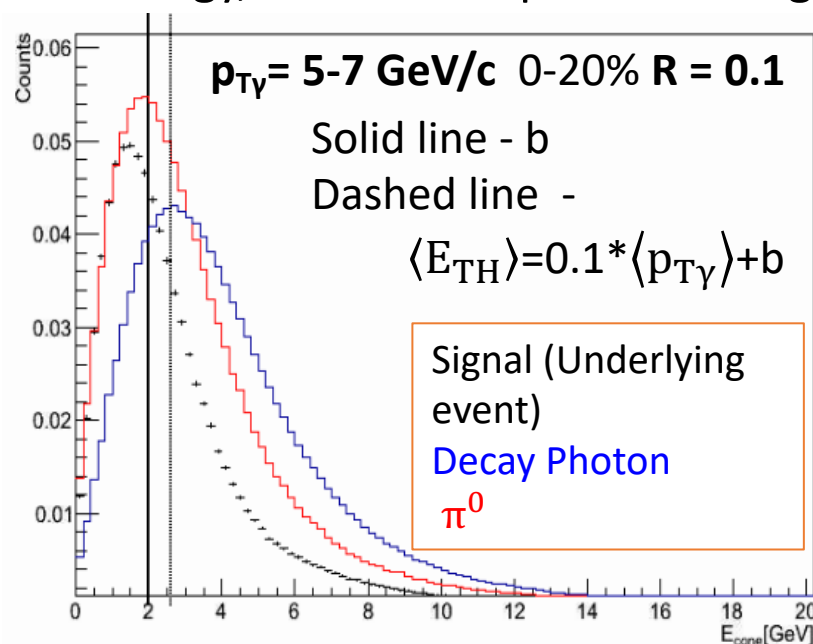
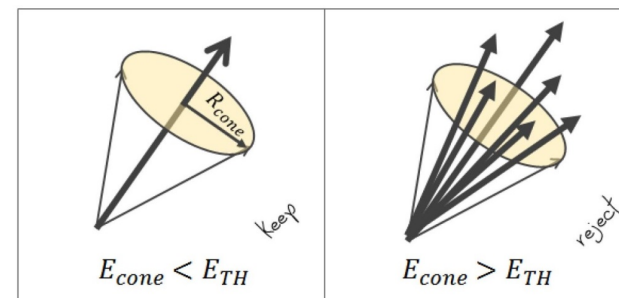
How does enhancement behave with centrality?

New Method - Isolation Cut in Au+Au

- Use cone method
 - Sum energy in cone around particle, if less than threshold, particle is isolated
 - Optimal threshold depends on centrality, background event energy, and central photon energy

$$R_{cone} = \sqrt{(\Delta\phi)^2 + (\Delta\eta)^2}$$

$$E_{TH} = aE_\gamma + b.$$



Centrality (%)	R_{cone}	a	b (GeV)
0 - 20	0.1	0.1	2.0
20 - 40	0.2	0.1	4.0
40 - 60	0.2	0.1	2.0
60 - 92	0.3	0.1	1.0

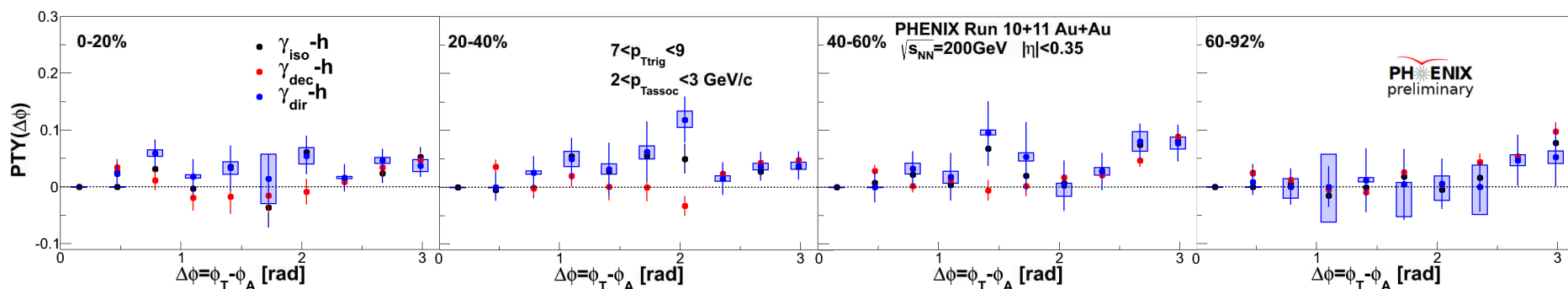
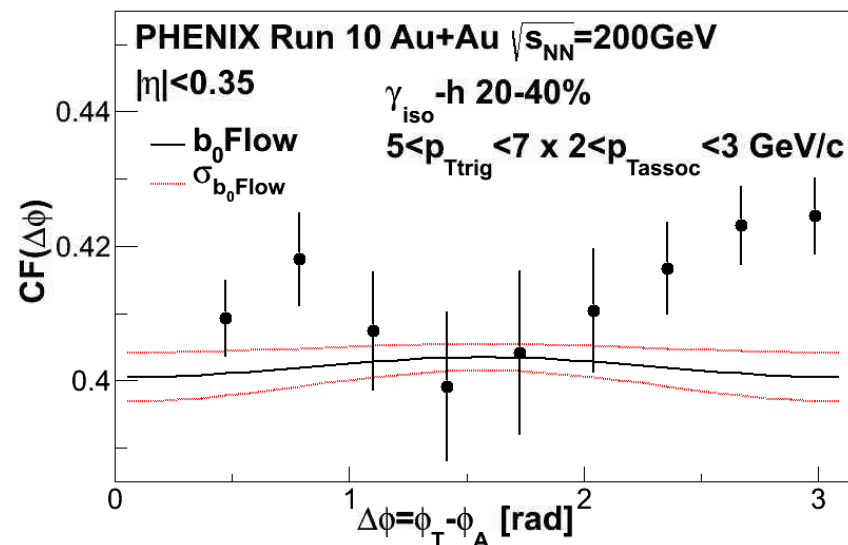
N. Riveli, Ph.D. thesis, Ohio University (2014).

Causes complications to normal 2PC

- Measuring isolated particle v_2 for 2-p background subtraction
- Background level – using abs norm method

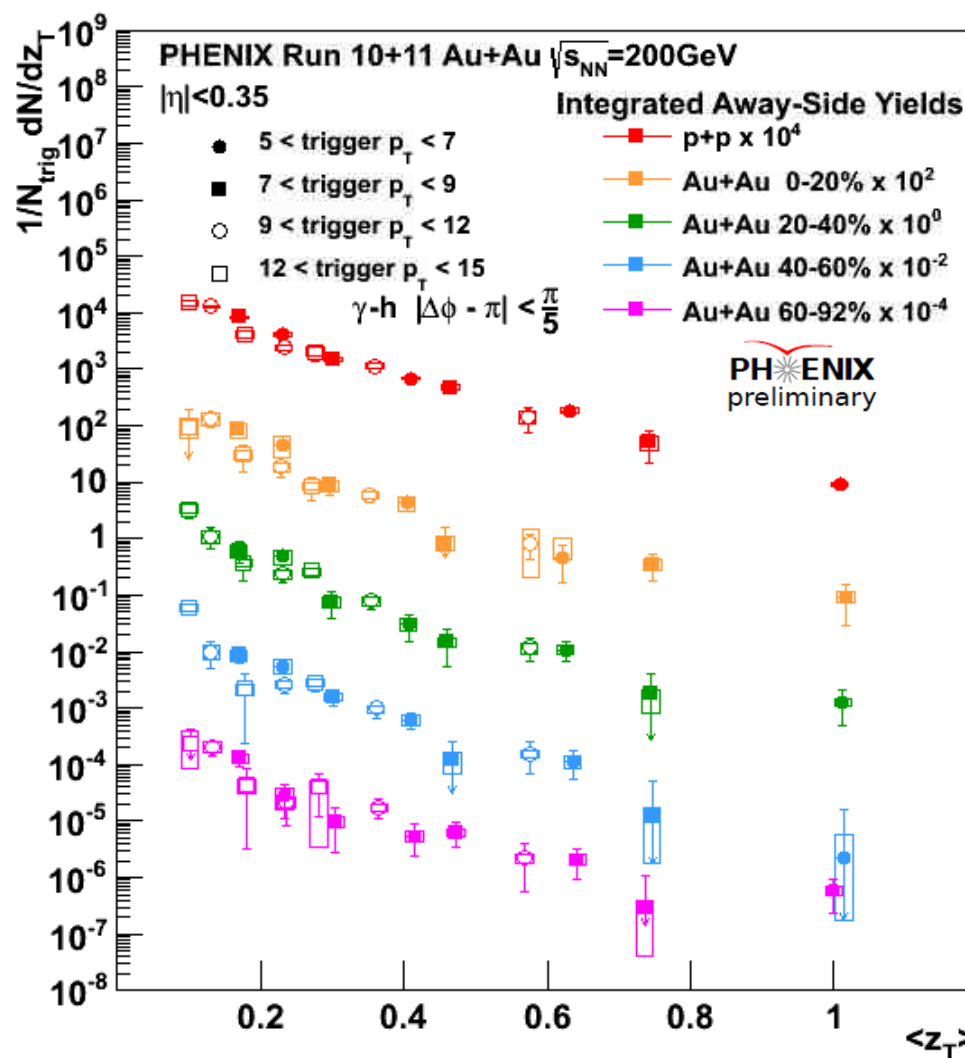
Correlation and Jet Functions

- Background level matches the minimum of CF
 - We understand the background modification from iso cut
 - Notice the negative flow shape
- Subtract this background to get per-trigger yields



Away-side Yield

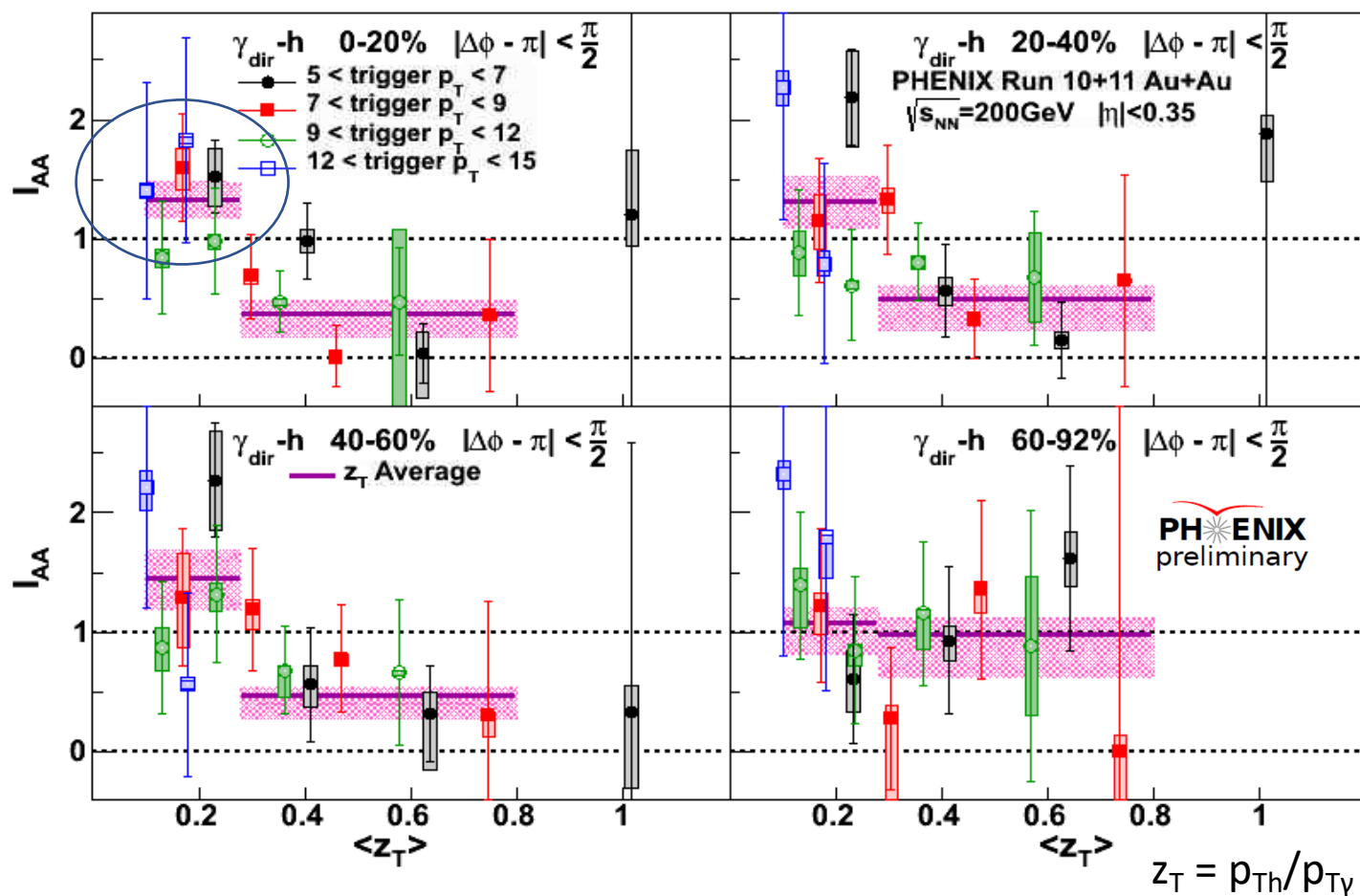
- Integrate away-side of per-trigger yield
- Seems to scale with $z_T = p_{Th}/p_{Ty}$



I_{AA} as a function of z_T

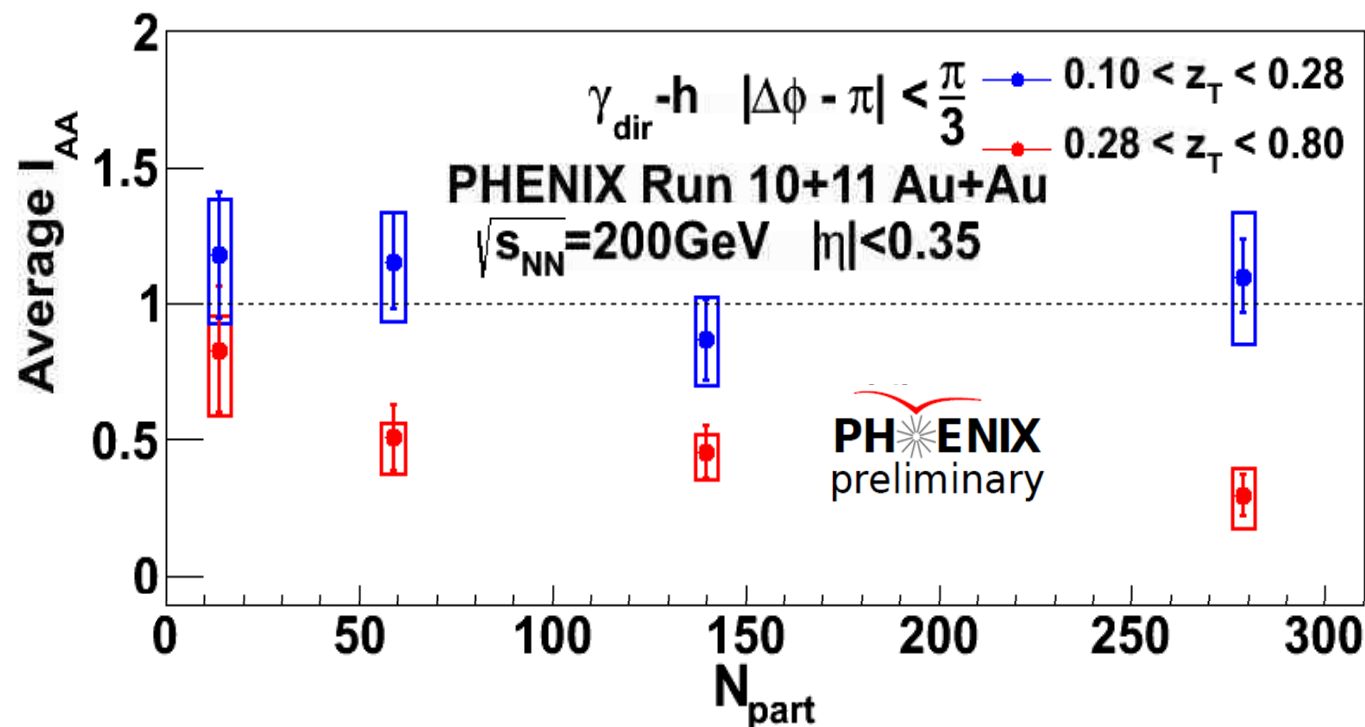
$$I_{AA}(p_T^\gamma, p_T^h) = \frac{Y^{Au+Au}(p_T^\gamma, p_T^h)}{Y^{p+p}(p_T^\gamma, p_T^h)}$$

- Fit all I_{AA} points in two z_T regions to a constant to extract the average I_{AA} for each z_T region and centrality bin



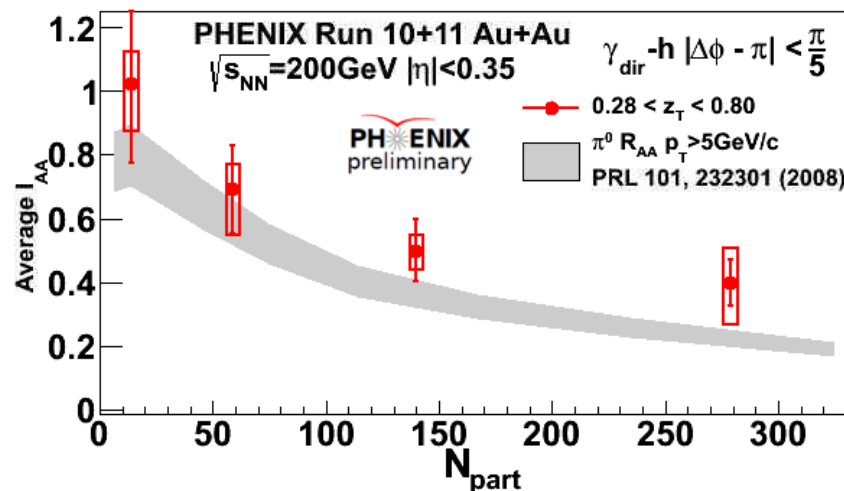
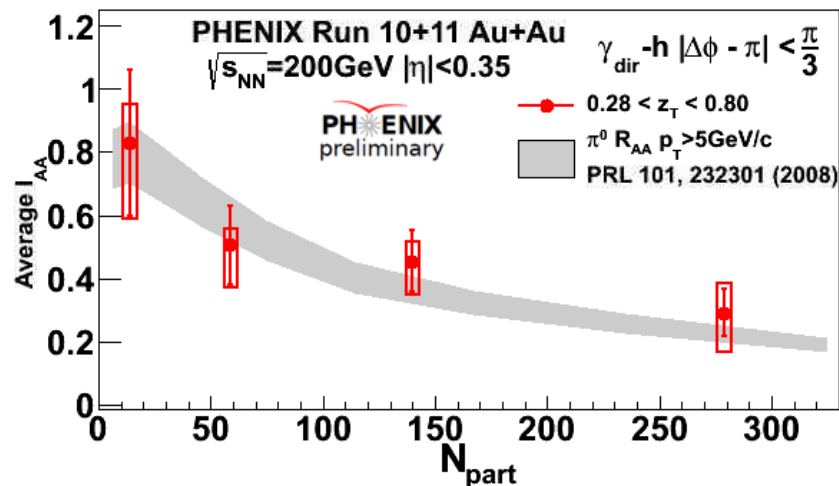
$$z_T = p_{Th}/p_{Ty}$$

Average I_{AA} vs. Centrality

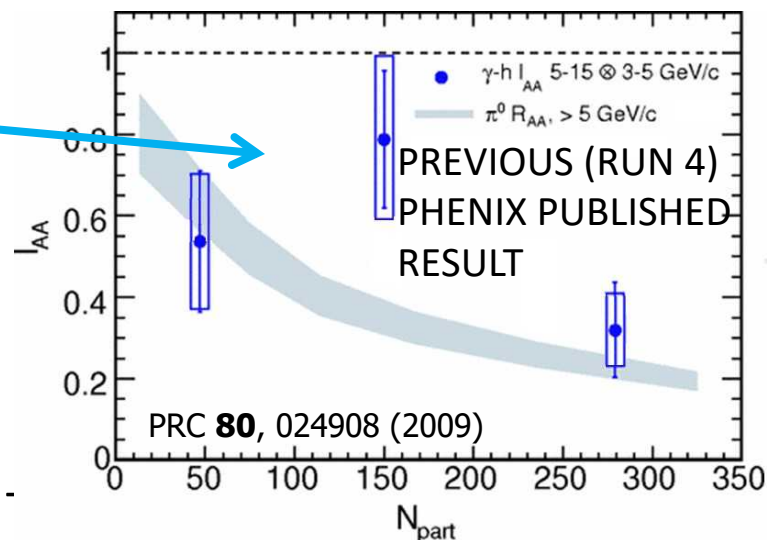


- Low z_T and High z_T behaviors different.
- High z_T suppression for all centrality bins
- Low z_T NOT SUPPRESSED, relatively flat with centrality-- E_{loss} Recovery
- Isolation cut allows more precise analysis of the semi-peripheral and peripheral centralities

High z_T Average I_{AA} Centrality Dependence

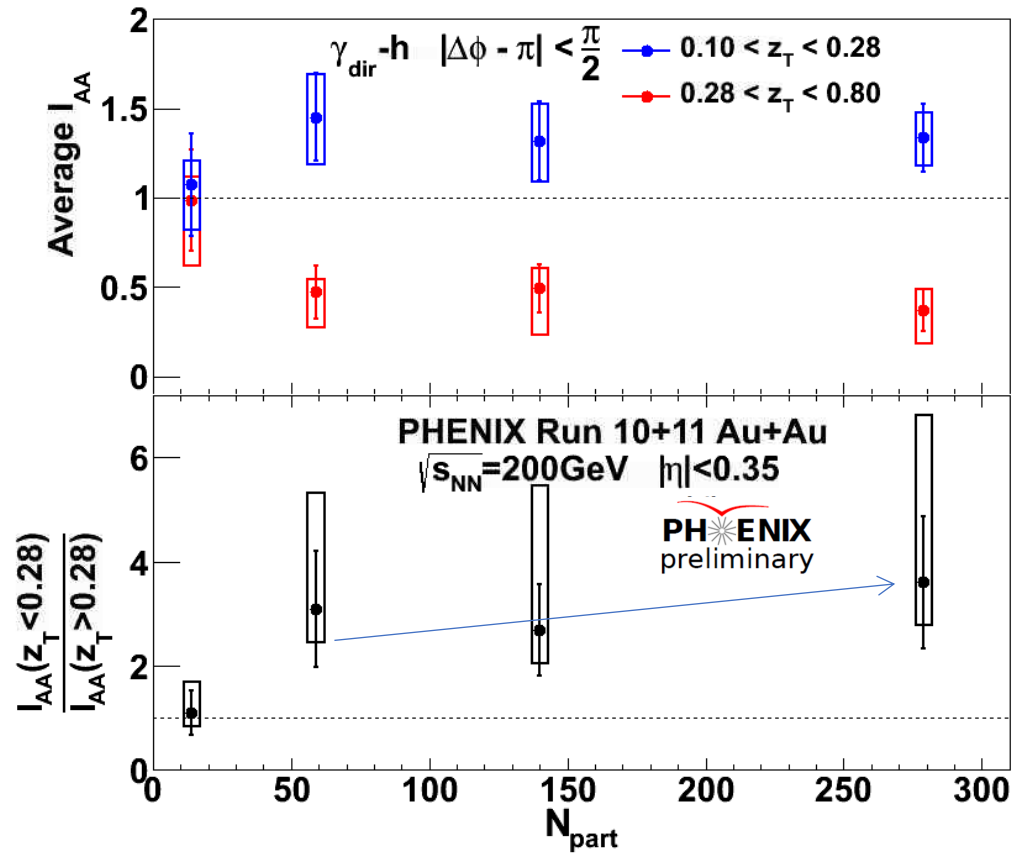


- Isolation cut/New stats substantial improvement in precision
- Detailed centrality shape of suppression
- High z_T Average I_{AA} and $\pi^0 R_{AA}$ approximately match
 - Photon tagged jet geometric distribution (E_{loss} geometry) is exactly the same as single inclusive jet geometric distribution - so $R_{AA} \approx \gamma\text{-jet } I_{AA}$ expected



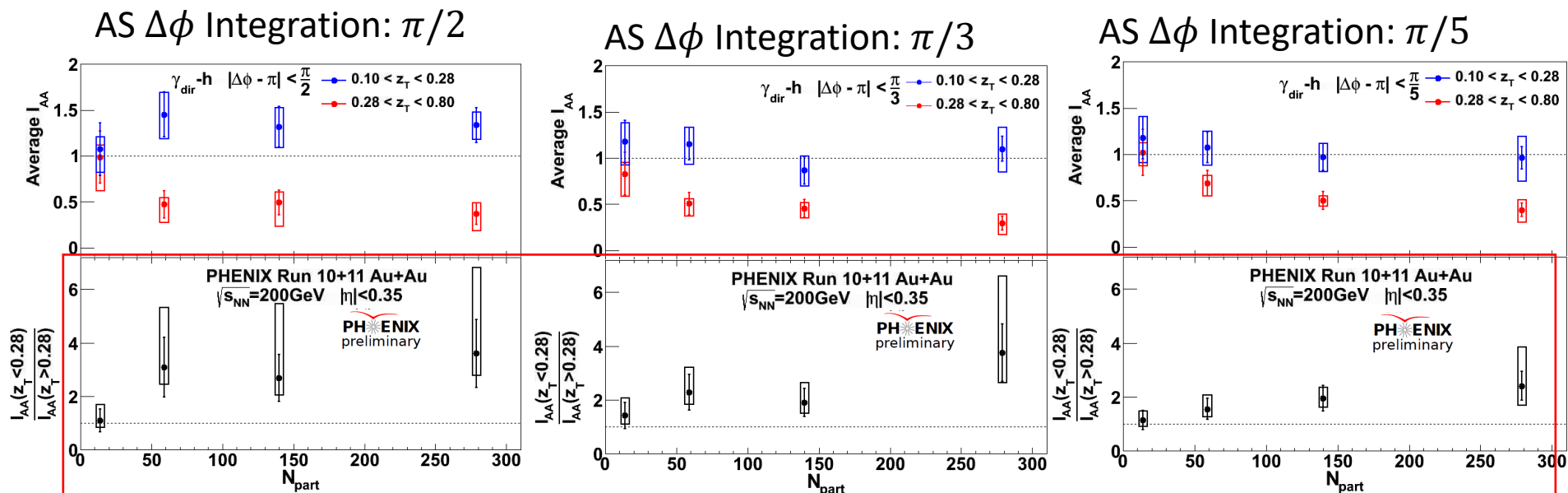
Average $I_{AA} - \pi/2$ away-side

- High z_T energy loss enhances low z_T production
- 1st measurement of centrality dependence of low z_T enhancement
- To judge true centrality dependence of enhancement, must account for overall reduction of jets due to suppression
- *Relative Enhancement Factor* – High z_T / low z_T ratio – is:
 - Larger than low z_T I_{AA}
 - shows increase in most central event



Average I_{AA}

Enhancement and suppression for all away-side regions!



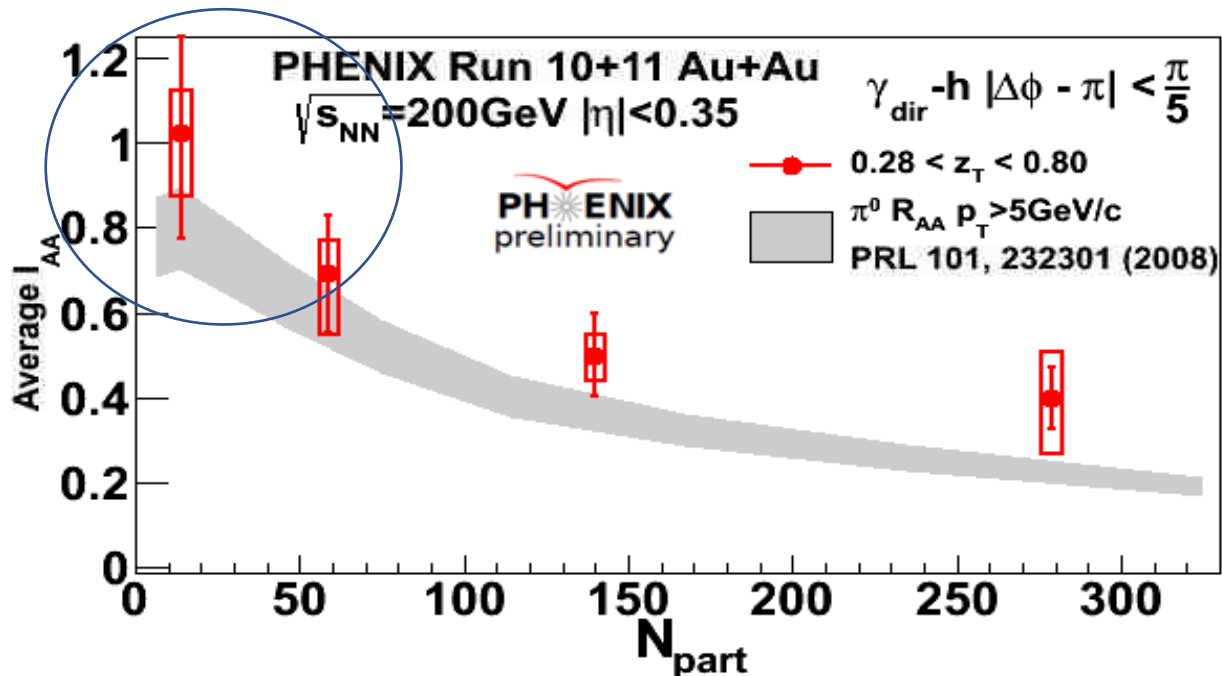
- Increasing low z enhancement for wider integration regions (blue points right to left)
 - Seen by previous gamma-jet and LHC jet reconstruction analyses
- Both high z suppression and low z enhancement
- Relative* enhancement above suppressed jet level (black ratio) **much larger than 1** in all bins even where low z I_{AA} consistent with p+p level of 1
 - reveals **monotonic** increase towards central events

Conclusions 1:

- **Au+Au at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV with isolation cut – first results**
- Isolation cut allows more precise analysis of the semi-peripheral and peripheral centralities
- 1st ever study of enhancement pattern as a function of centrality at RHIC
 - Enhancement is monotonically increasing with centrality
- PHENIX still has high statistics data sets (2014, 2016 long Au+Au runs) that need to be analyzed!
- **Future: focus on studying Eloss in semi-peripheral and peripheral centralities – most interesting region?**
- **Why?...**

E_{loss} Turn-off? E_{loss} in Small systems?

- We want to focus on region where E_{loss} is small to study whether it may be expected in small systems and how large does a system have to be?
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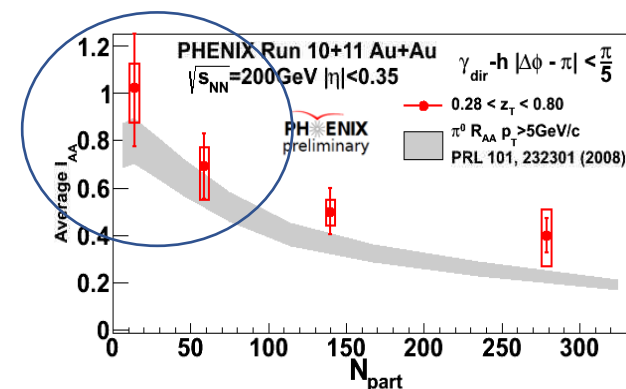
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Alternative solution:

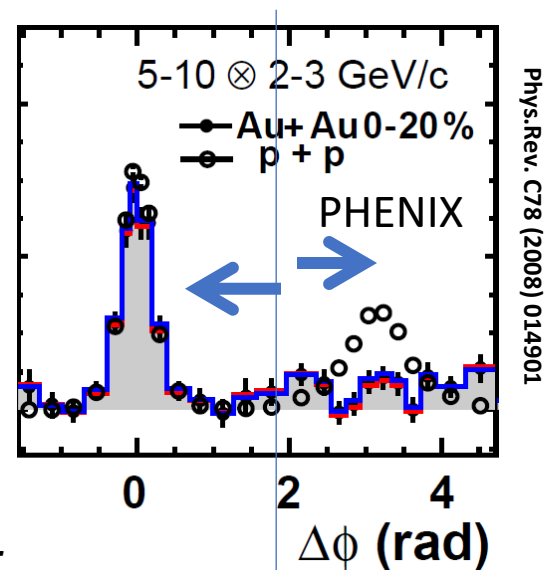
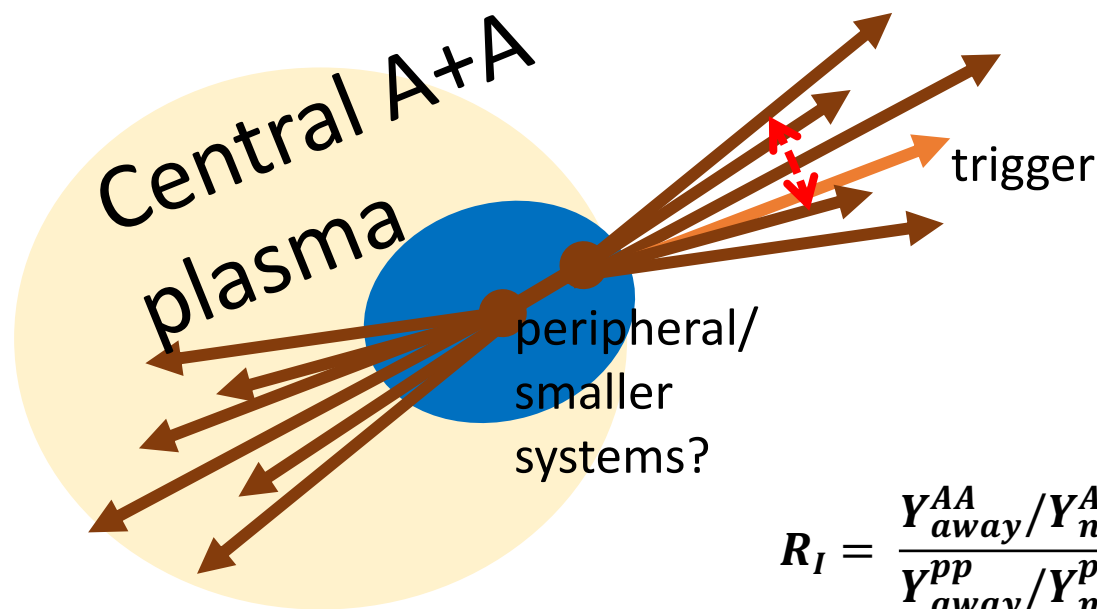
1. Using π^0 -h correlation has better statistical precision, can make many more differential measurements– but suffers from other systematics and trigger biases compared to γ -h
2. Find new 2PC observable other than I_{AA} to reduce systematic errors.

Need best possible precision and differential measurements to go to most peripheral where Eloss effects smallest and mixed with cold matter effects



NS/AS Ratios: A Nice Observable for searching for small E_{loss} ?

- For E_{loss} search, assume well-known surface bias picture for Au+Au should apply as the system goes peripheral—possibly even in “small systems” d+Au, He+Au?
- Look for Differences in Away-side Modification compared to Nearside

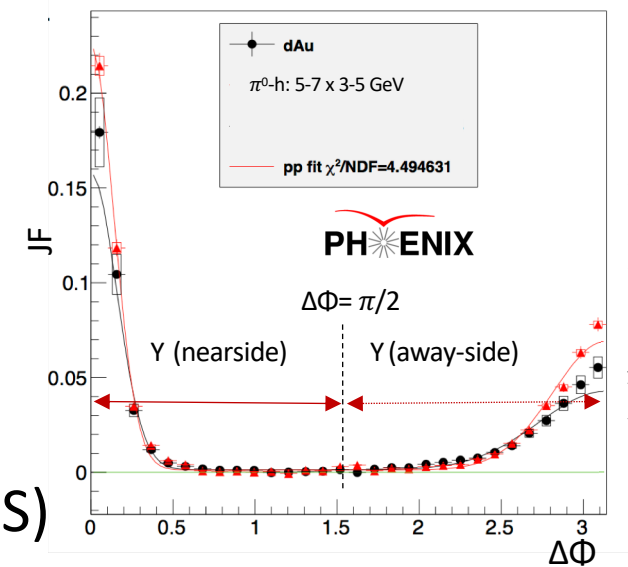


$$R_I = \frac{Y_{away}^{AA}/Y_{near}^{AA}}{Y_{away}^{pp}/Y_{near}^{pp}}$$

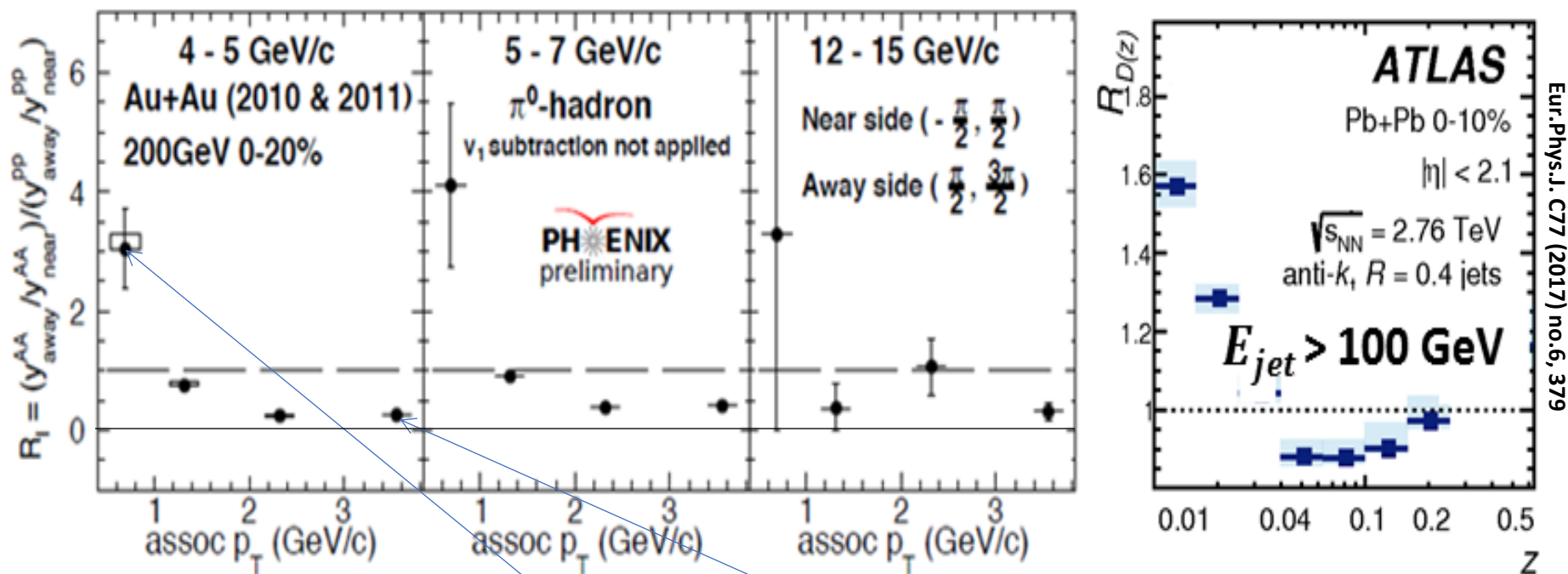
Jet Pair Quantification

Double Ratio: $R_I = \frac{Y_{away}^{AA}/Y_{near}^{AA}}{Y_{away}^{pp}/Y_{near}^{pp}}$

- NO EFFICIENCIES NEEDED** (Cancels in AS/NS)
 - Dominant systematic errors due to single charge hadron efficiency are completely removed
- Surface Bias: levels of **modification mostly unchanged** (going from IAA to R_I)
- No Contribution of v_{2n}** even harmonics from hydrodynamic flow **is zero** (e.g. v_2)
- Contribution of higher order odd harmonics ($\geq v_3$) can be neglected--only sensitive to v_1
- ZYAM systematic is also small since residual mis-subtraction contribute to both NS and AS.



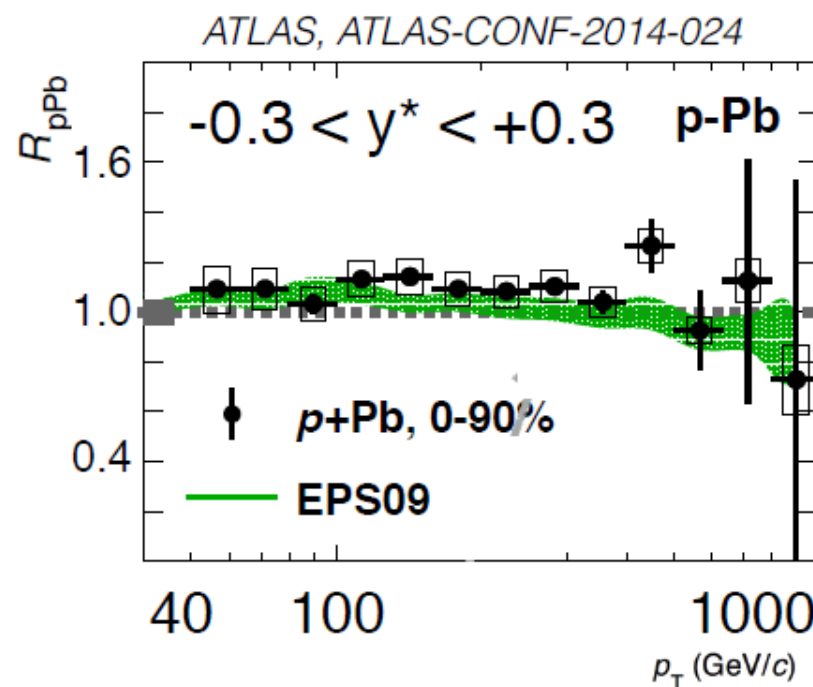
Energy loss ? : Double Ratio (R_l)



- Recent PHENIX's result in AuAu R_l :
- Very similar to I_{AA} previously shown **but effects more pronounced**
 - relative rise from high p_{Ta} ($R_l = \sim 0.3$) to low p_{Ta} ($R_l = 3.5$) is factor of 12!
- Still qualitatively similar to LHC Frag. Function Ratio results but enhancement relatively larger partially due to LHC results only including surface-biased reco'd jets.

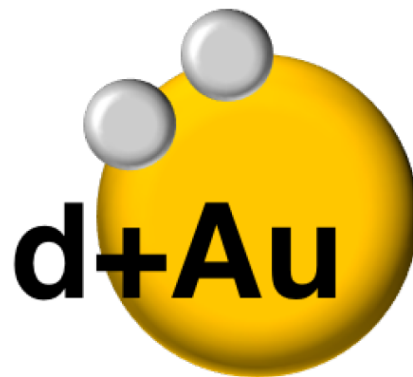
Other end of spectrum: Small Systems:?

- No E_{loss} in p+Pb at LHC? –LHC only very high energy observables.
 - npdfs account for ALL jet modifications?
- LHC focus on found jets, observables like x.s. excludes largest modification e.g. for A+A jets ($\Delta R > 1$ enhancement)
- Greater sensitivity in low E_{jet} ?
 - lowest possible “jet” p_T : 5-10 GeV.
- Exploit enhancement—Exploit trigger bias for sensitivity, Exploit lowest E_{jet} : 2PC/RI can do all



2nd part: d+Au: pi⁰-h correlation

- Slightly older PHENIX result already explored this idea by creating the RI observable in d+Au
- RI precision revealed interesting jet modifications

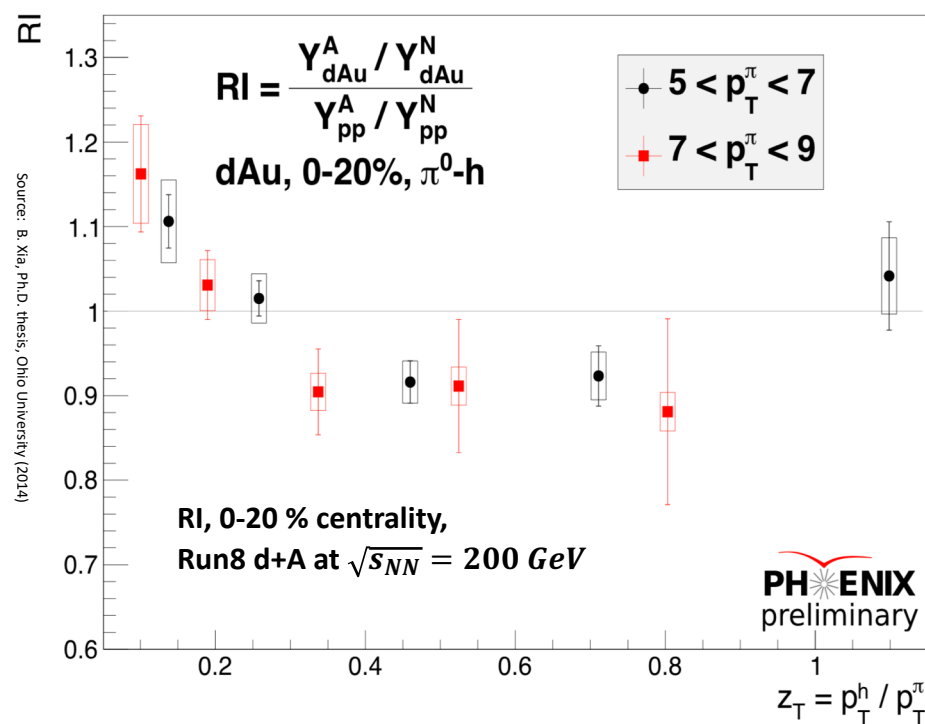
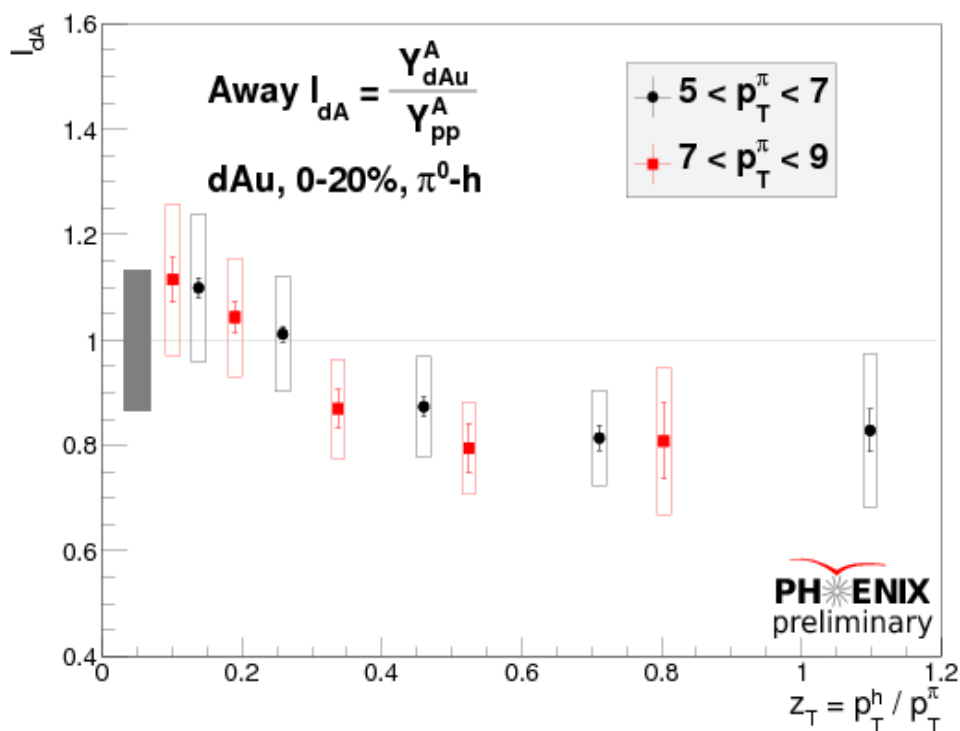


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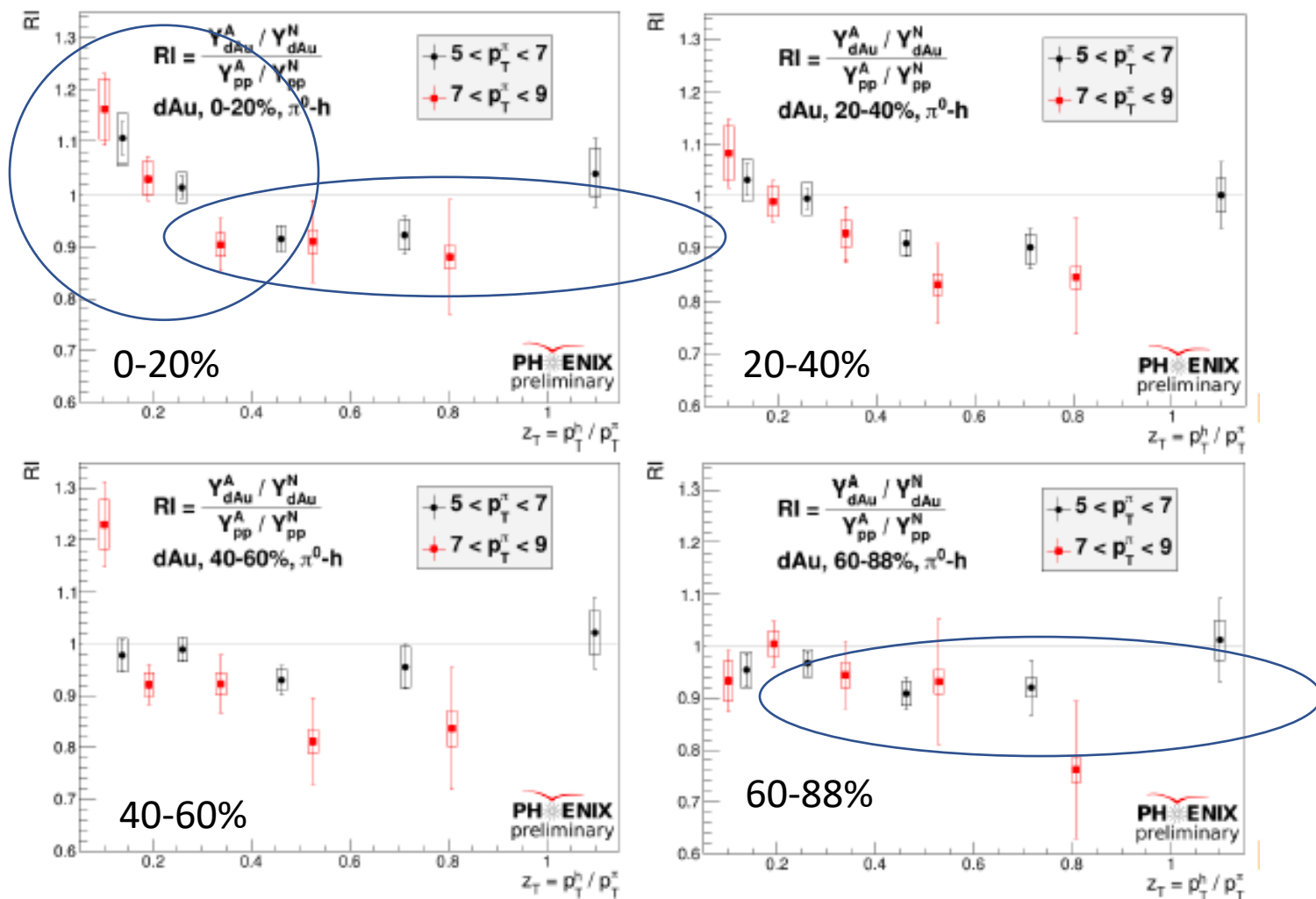
Reminder of some of what was observed:

I_{AA} vs R_I

- Clear improvement of uncertainties in R_I compared to I_{AA}
- R_I can be more sensitive to small levels of suppression or small cold nuclear effects
- Shows small high z suppression and low z enhancement in d+Au



dAu R_1 Ratio Centrality Dependence



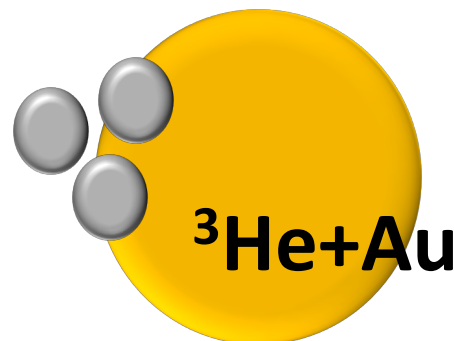
System size evolution in d+Au? Peripheral to Central? More low z_T enhancement at low $z_T \rightarrow$ High p_T suppression? Not clear? Can we confirm this with another system? (Motivation for next result)

Causes?

- Many potential Trivial or Cold Nuclear Explanations—but also shares qualitative features of E_{loss}
- “Trivial” explanations we could test: None of these could reproduce the effect
 - ✓ “Hydro” v3, v1
 - ✓ Trivial Rapidity Distributions Mismatching p+p vs d+Au?
 - ✓ HIJING show anything like this?
- “Cold Nuclear Effects”:
 - ✓ Enhanced Nuclear k_T (based on STAR jet-broadened d+Au k_T result)
 - ✓ Initial State nPDF effects (partial—EPS09(s) only checked)
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First since this is (WAS) only one channel in one system, can we confirm the result in other data ?

3rd part



2014 Run ($^3\text{He}+\text{Au}$)

2015 Run (p+p)

2016 Run (new d+Au)

- d+Au result was from 2008 data set - using 2006 p+p reference
- A lot of newer data can shed light on these questions
- How about $^3\text{He}+\text{Au}$? Next bigger system
- What physics causing d+Au modifications should be interesting to compare to $^3\text{He}+\text{Au}$?
 - Bigger geometry than dAu— Central 0-20% N_{part} values have good overlap with PHENIX AuAu peripheral data
 - **He+Au 0-20% $N_{\text{part}} = \sim 22.5$ comparable to 65-70% Au+Au!**

Newer Datasets

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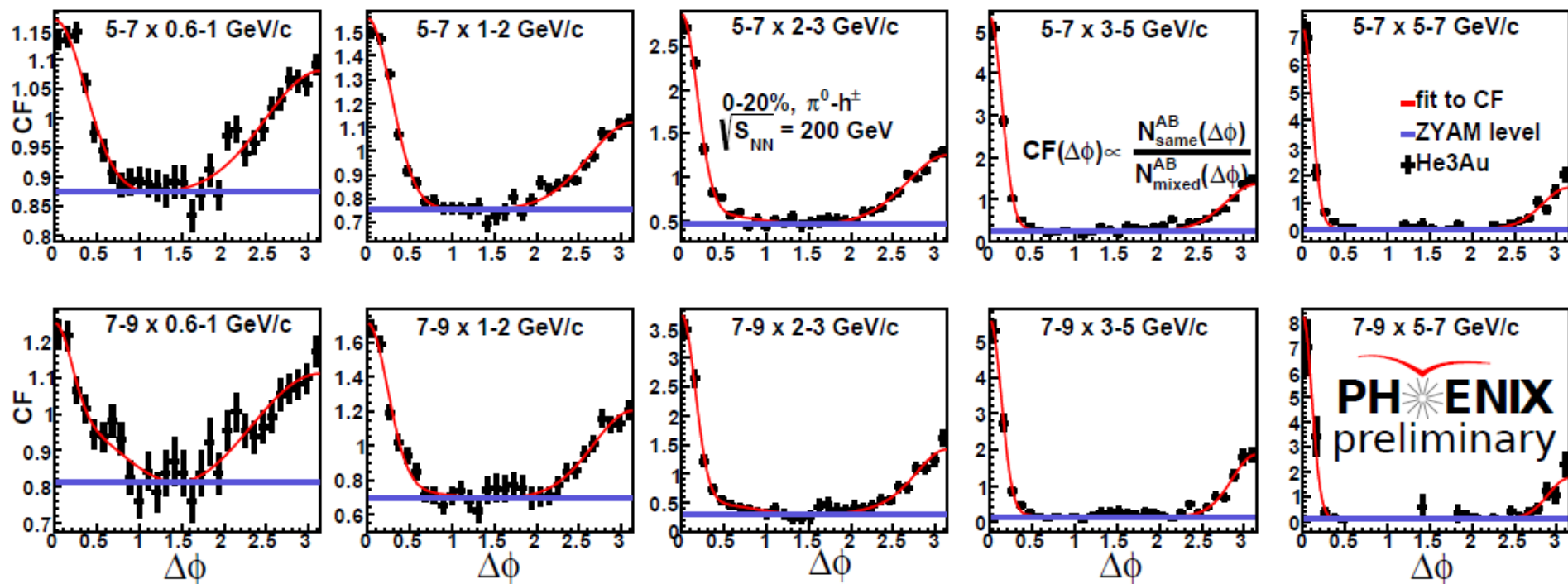
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2016 Run (new d+Au)

- $^3\text{He}+\text{Au}$ ($\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200 \text{ GeV}$)
 - 0-20% Centrality Triggered Dataset
 - PHENIX Emcal-Rich (ERT)
 - N^{π_0} : **386 k** (Run8 dAu: 5 m)
- Run 15 p+p ($\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200 \text{ GeV}$) improves statistics of pp reference
 - N^{π_0} : **6.9 m** (vs . Run6 pp: 1.5 m)
- Run 16 d+Au data also available
 - Initial rough (pre-) re-analysis also confirms 2008 result - TBA

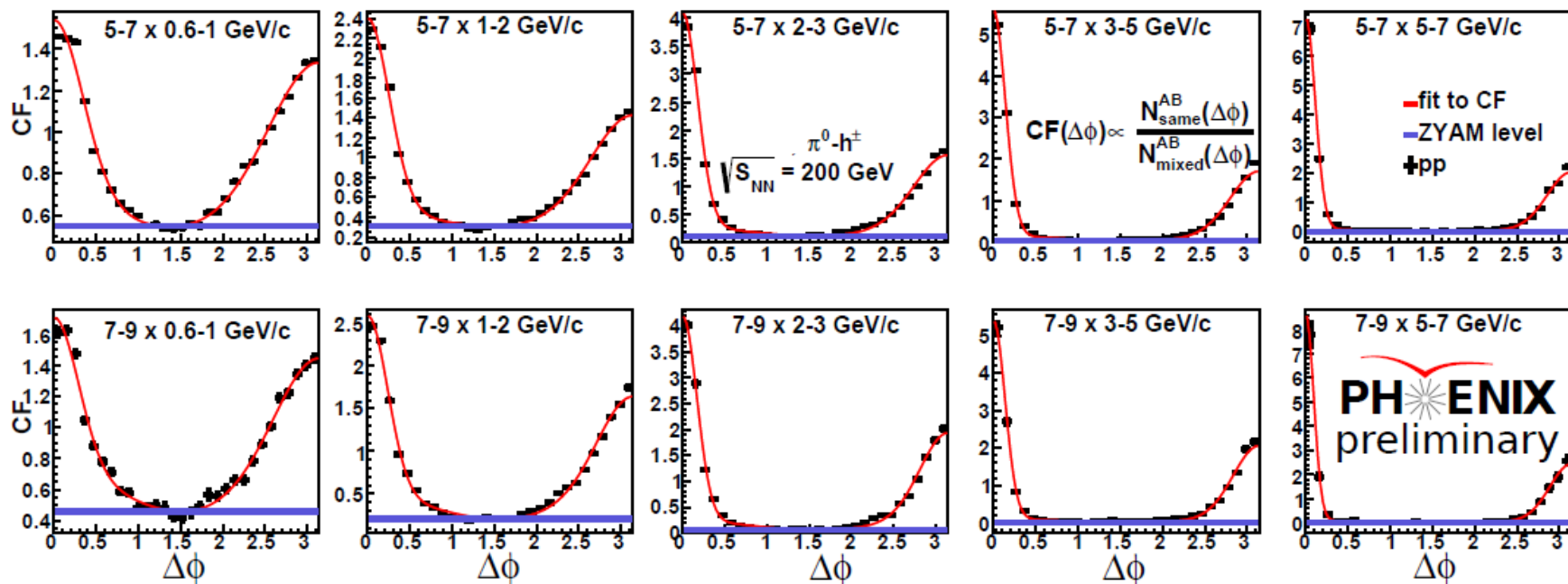
Correlation Functions - ³He+Au

- Run14 ³He+Au at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV
- As in 2008 d+Au Analysis:
- Background level subtraction: ZYAM method
- Two Trigger(π^0) bins: [5-7, 7-9] GeV/c
- 5 Partner(h^\pm) bins: [0.6-1, 1-2, 3-5, 5-7] GeV/c



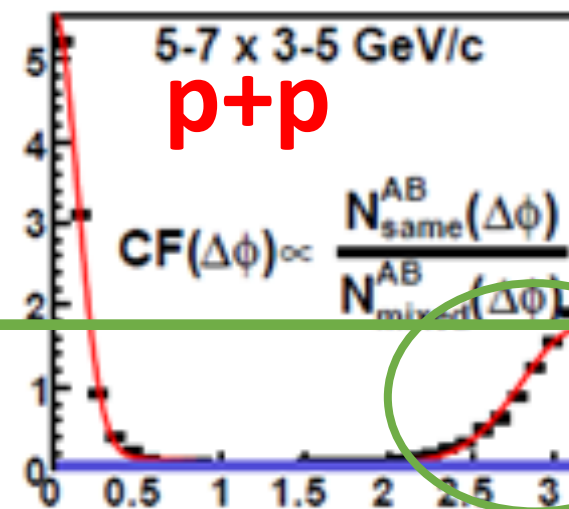
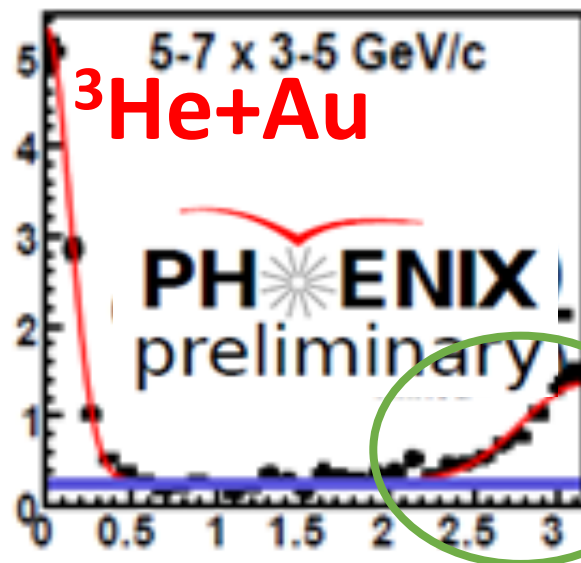
Correlation Functions -2015 p+p

- Run15 p+p at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV
- Background level: ZYAM method
- Excellent p+p statistics helps improve comparison to d+Au
 - Will eventually also be applied to Run 8/Run 16 d+Au analysis as well

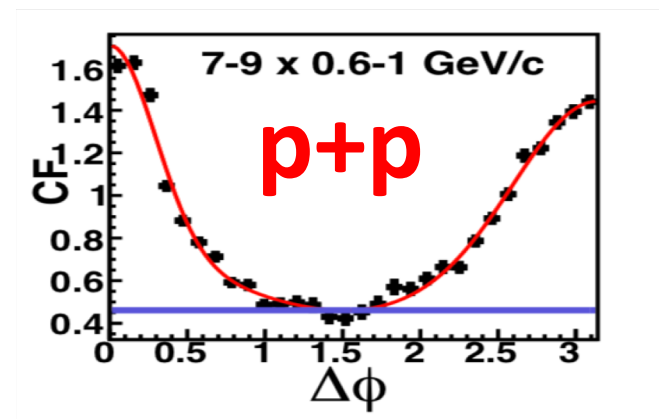
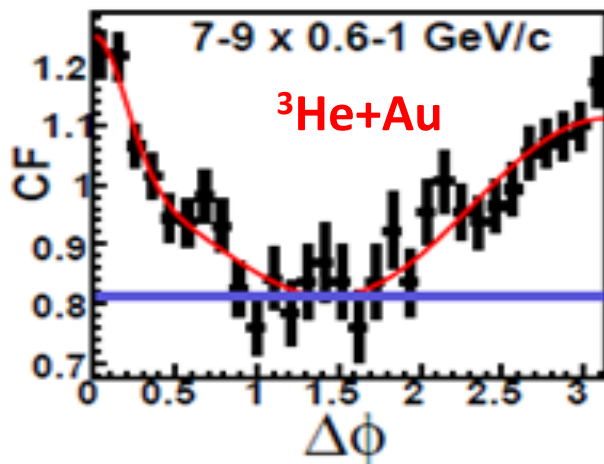


Modifications in $^3\text{He}+\text{Au}$?

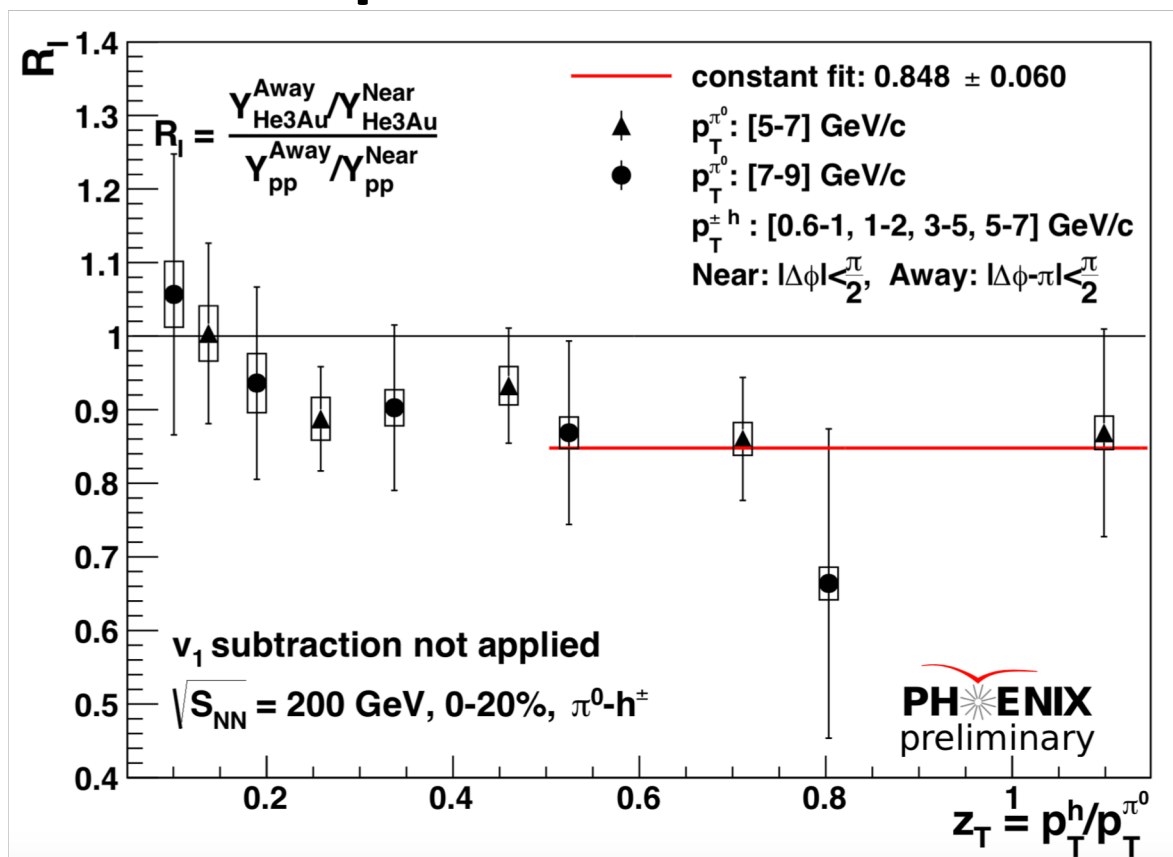
By eye can see suppression in the AS Shape



At low z statistical precision of $\text{He}+\text{Au}$ is limited to see small modifications :

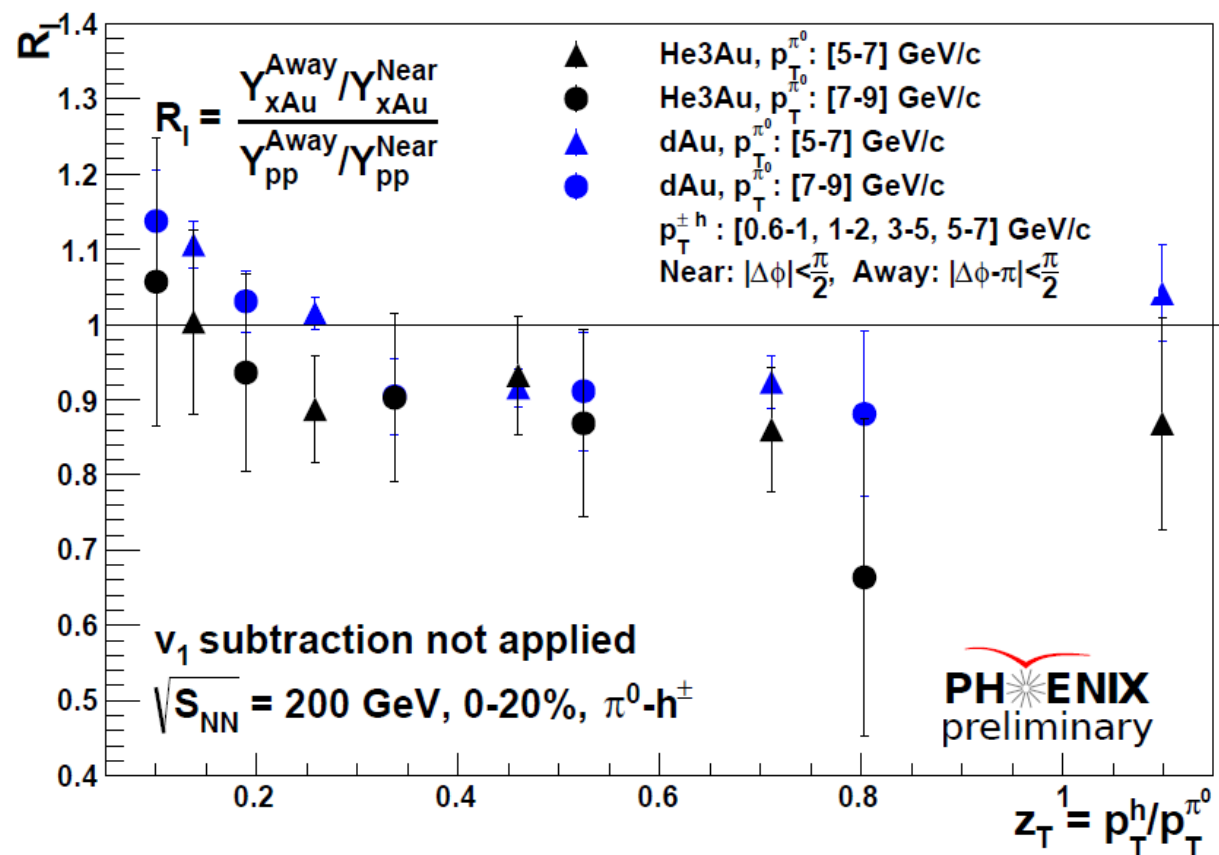


$R_1: {}^3\text{He}+\text{Au}$



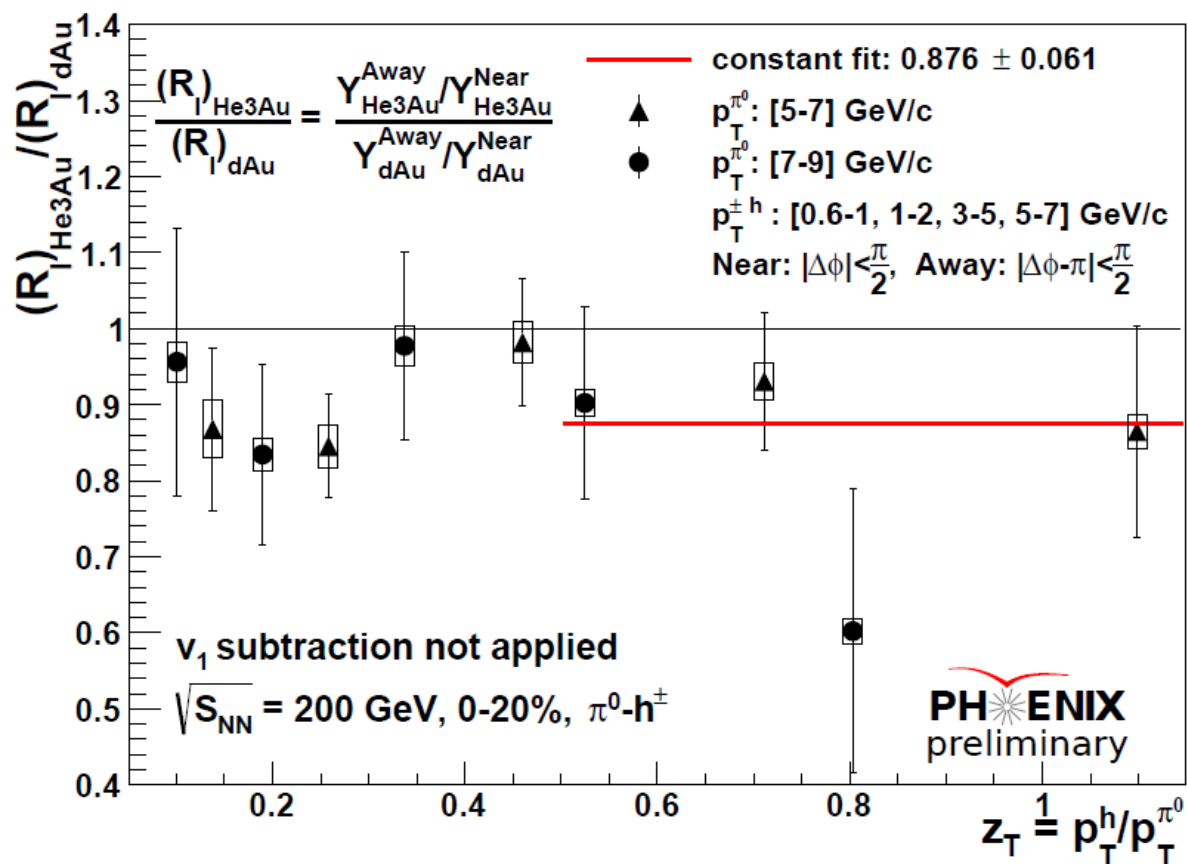
- Significant Suppression at high z_T in ³He+Au
- Trends similar to d+Au, w/rise at low z_T , although unlike d+Au, uncertainties too large to confirm low z_T shape with significance

Comparison of ³He+Au and d+Au R_I



- He+Au confirms behavior of d+Au: similar trends overall, and suppression at high z_T
- He+Au is more suppressed than d+Au --> More modification for larger system geometry
- How statistically significant is this size dependence of ³He+Au $R_I < d+Au R_I$?

Ratio of RI's of ³He+Au to that of d+Au



- High z_T suppression in ³He+Au is about 12% larger than d+Au with at least 2-sigma significance.

Conclusion 2:

- $^3\text{He}+\text{Au}$ shows similar behavior to d+Au:
Suppression at high z_T and possible rise at low z_T
- Ordering of increase in suppression with volume/system size is confirmed
 - $^3\text{He}+\text{Au}$ R_l is more suppressed than d+Au R_l in high z_T
 - Ratio of $^3\text{He}+\text{Au}$ to d+Au at high z_T (>0.48) is more than 2 sigma below the unity
- Motivations to theorists to determine possible explanations : both Cold and Hot in order to evaluate the likeliness whether it could be consistent with Hot QGP Eloss?

Implication: Causes?

In other words, results are pretty well studied and now confirmed in $^3\text{He}+\text{Au}$ – Need Theory Input—Important Question!

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Thank you

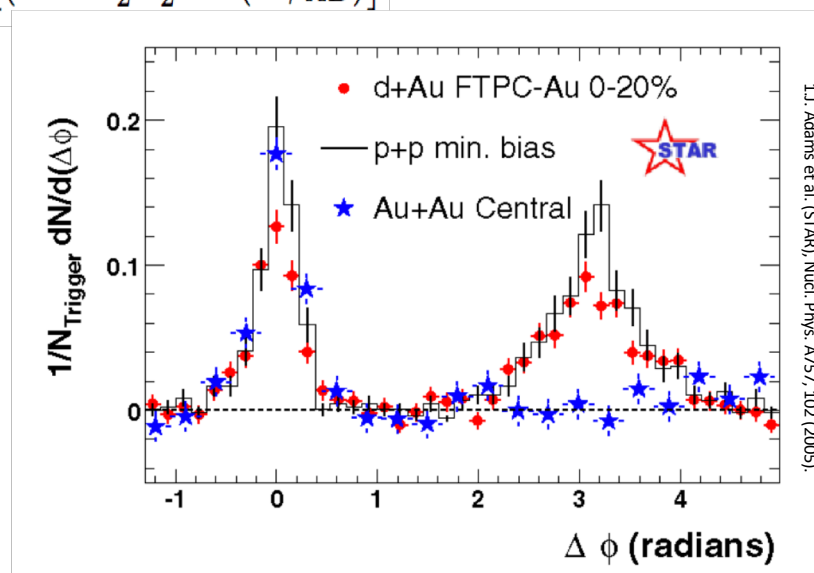
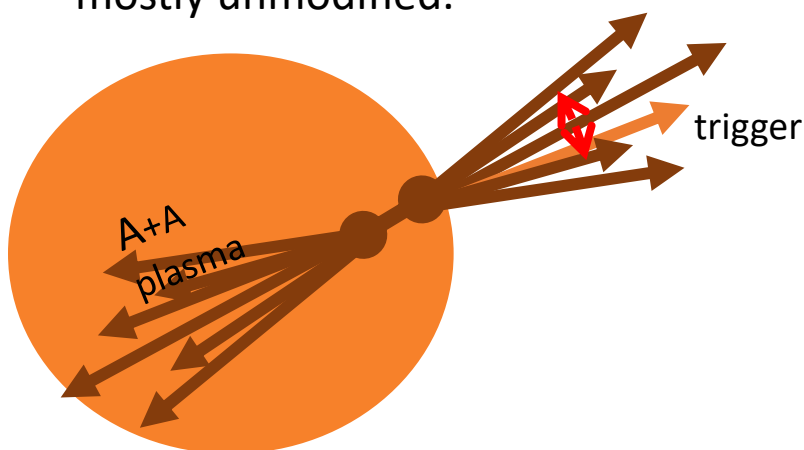
Back up

2-Particle Jet Function Basics

Two source model: Same event pair distribution = jet pair distribution + background pairs

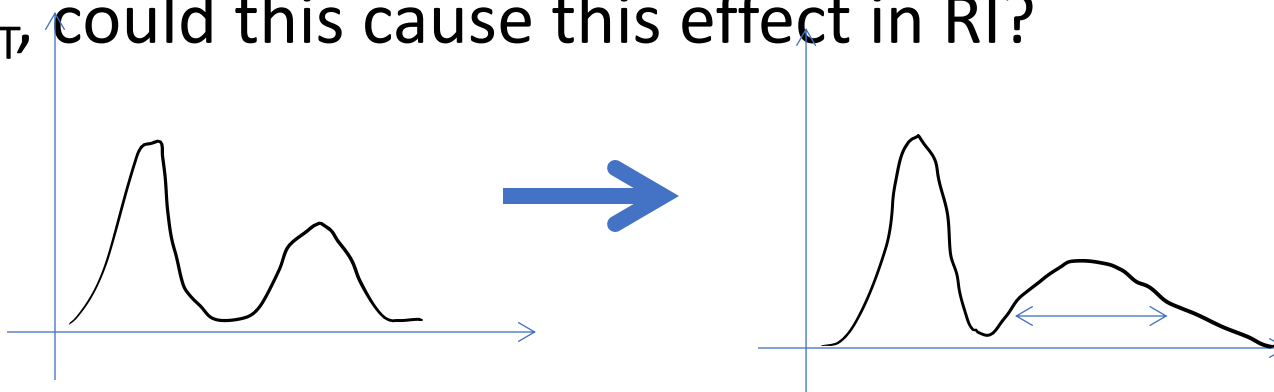
$$C(\Delta\phi_{AB}) = J(\Delta\phi_{AB}) + b_0 \left[(1 + 2v_2^A v_2^B \cos(\Delta\phi_{AB})) \right]$$

- Because of well-known surface bias picture, near-side in A+A is mostly unmodified.



Enhanced Nuclear k_T ?

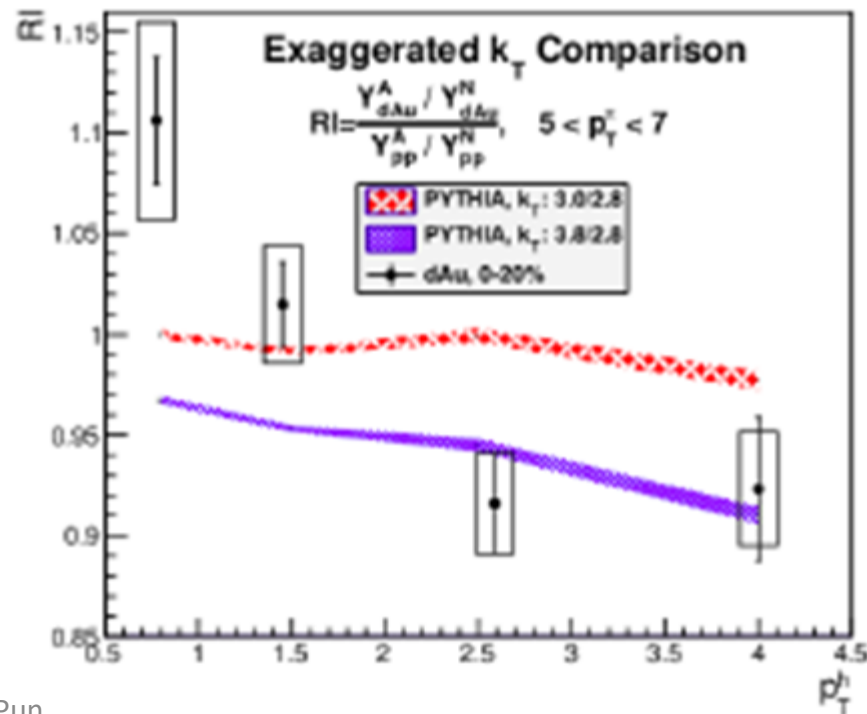
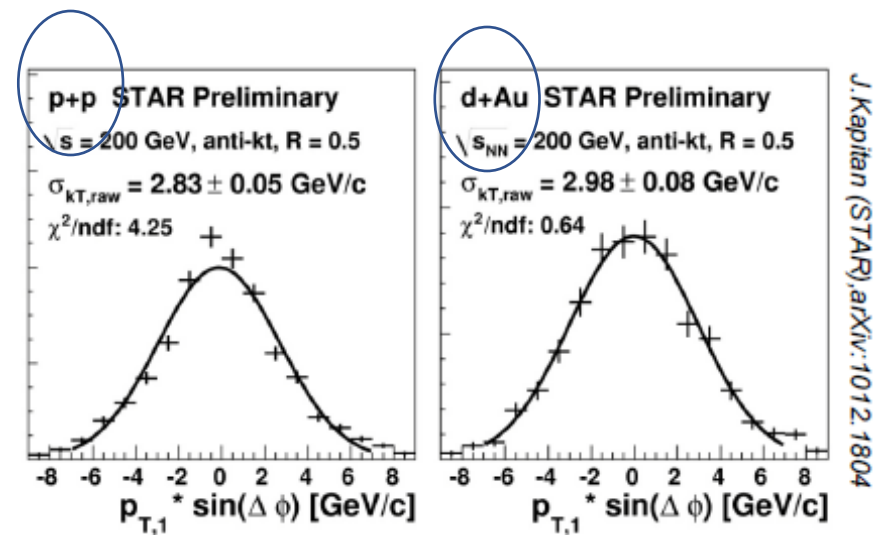
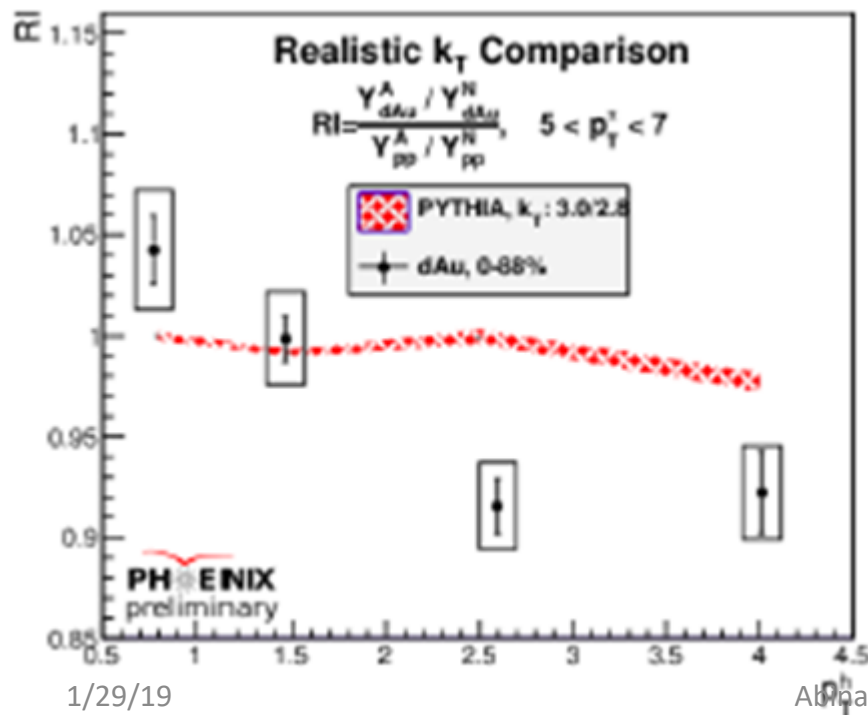
- k_T == Acoplanarity of di-jets
- Smears Awayside \rightarrow Known part of the 2pc AS width
- If d+Au had long sought after enhanced nuclear k_T , could this cause this effect in RI?



PYTHIA Nucl k_T Test

- Using k_T constraints from STAR jet measurements \rightarrow No effect for 0-100% Minbias
- However, k_T smear larger in Central?

Using STAR k_T Increase (Minbias)



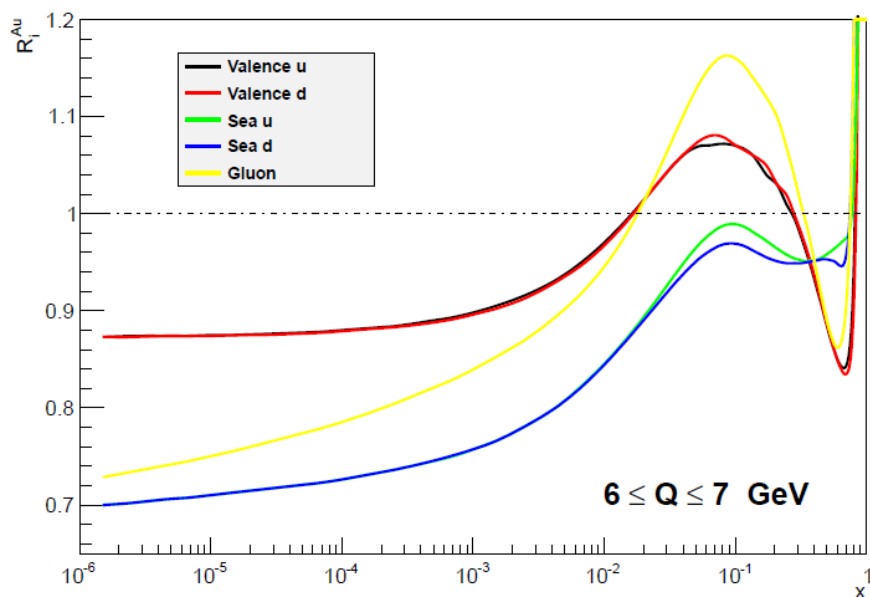
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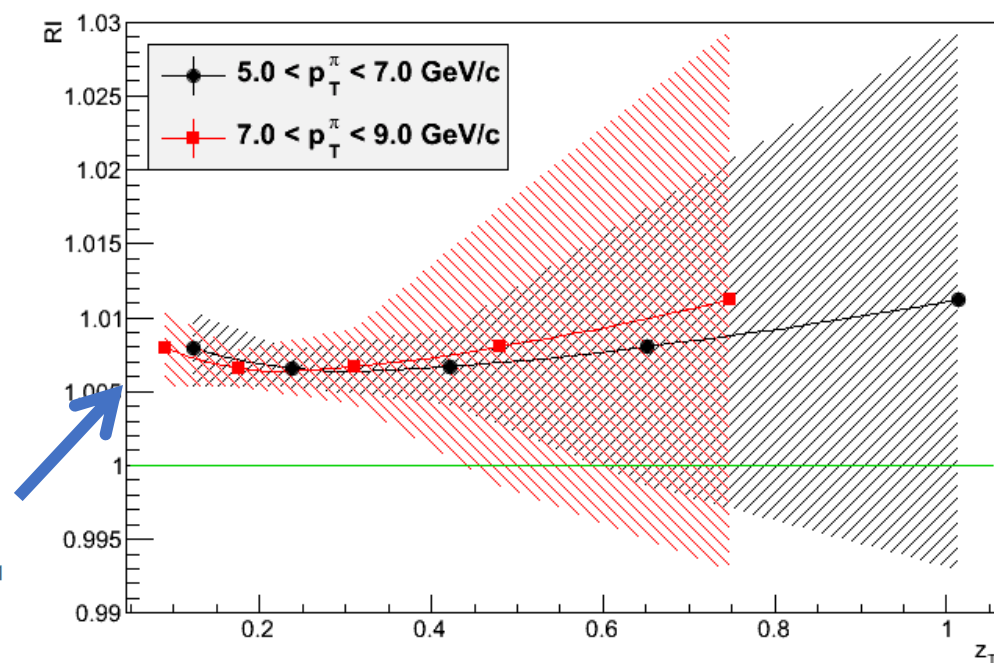
Initial State Nuclear PDF's?

- nPDF effects would seem unlikely to cause this, since they probably often affect *both* jets in a di-jet
- Studies with EPS09 (and 09s) confirm this expectation
 - NOTE UNITS: $\ll 1\%$ negligible effect

nPDF extracted from EPS09 code



RI Extracted from EPS09 Study

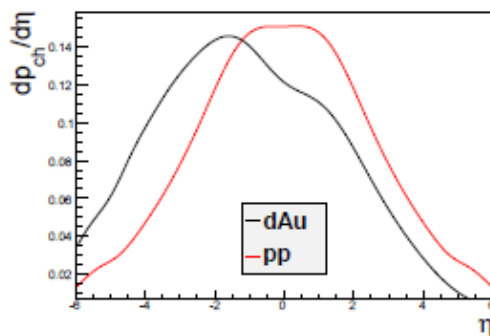


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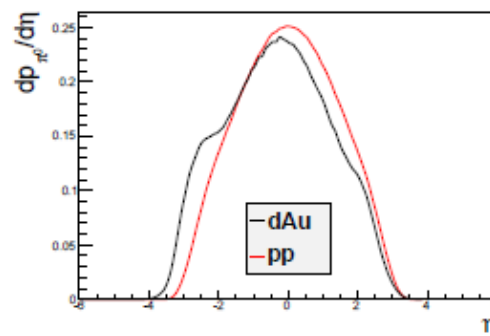
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HIJING

- We ran HIJING with default settings
- First, this can test for **very** trivial effects e.g. due to the 2p method and to the mismatch in rapidity distributions
- More importantly any other “cold” nuclear physics embedded in HIJING (mini-jets, momentum conservation (?), etc...)



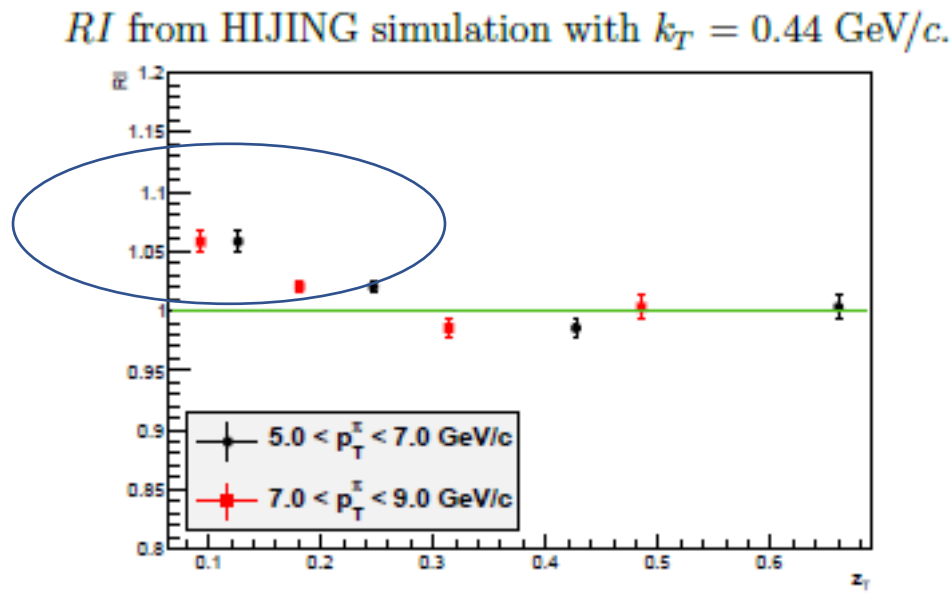
(a) Charged hadrons in central HIJING



(b) π^0 triggers in central HIJING

HIJING RI

- With default settings, HIJING does not reproduce the effect
- Small enhancement at low z_T appears to be due to default nuclear k_T in HIJING consistent with PYTHIA study



Au+Au's Back up

Illustration of v_2 Measurement With Isolation Cone

- Underlying event shape

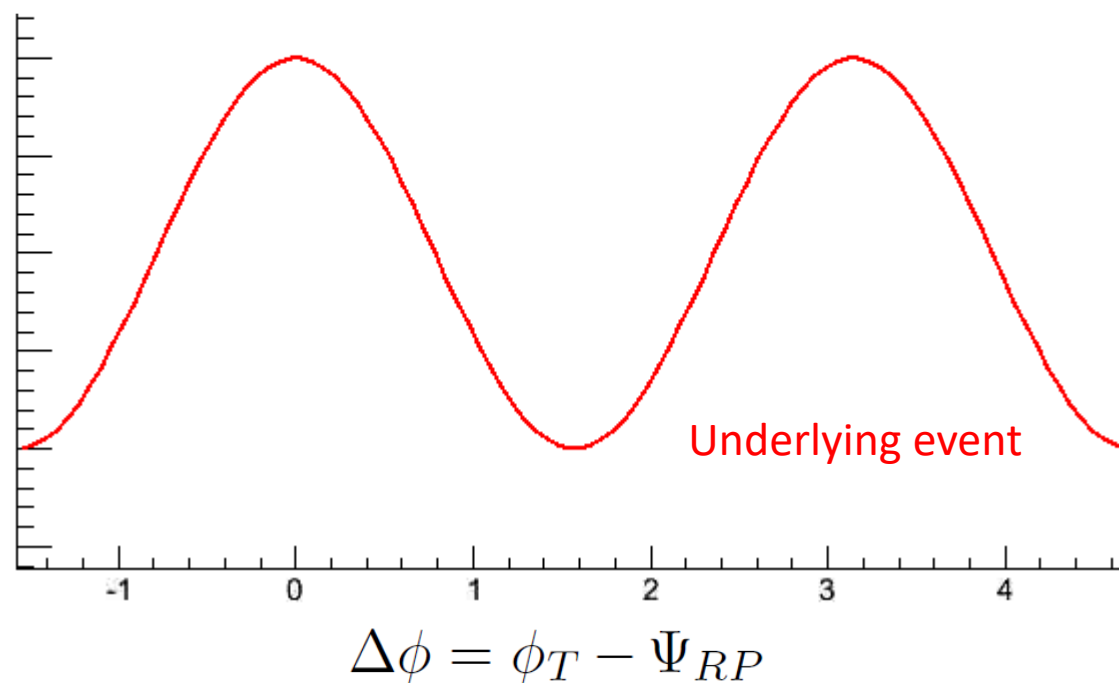


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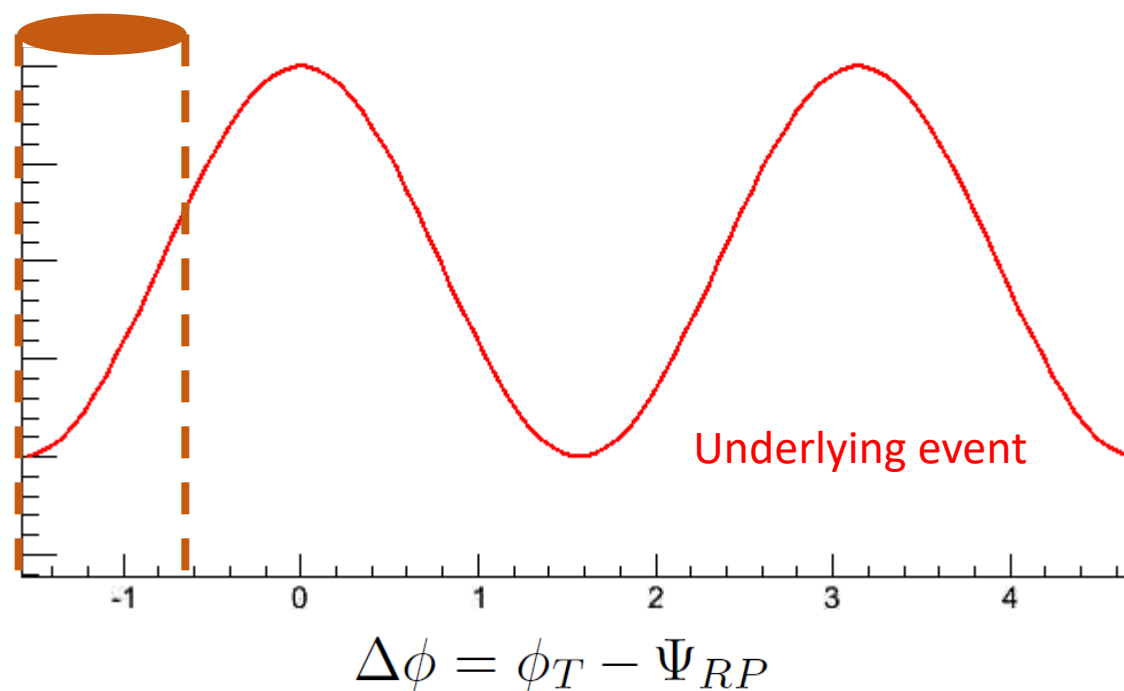


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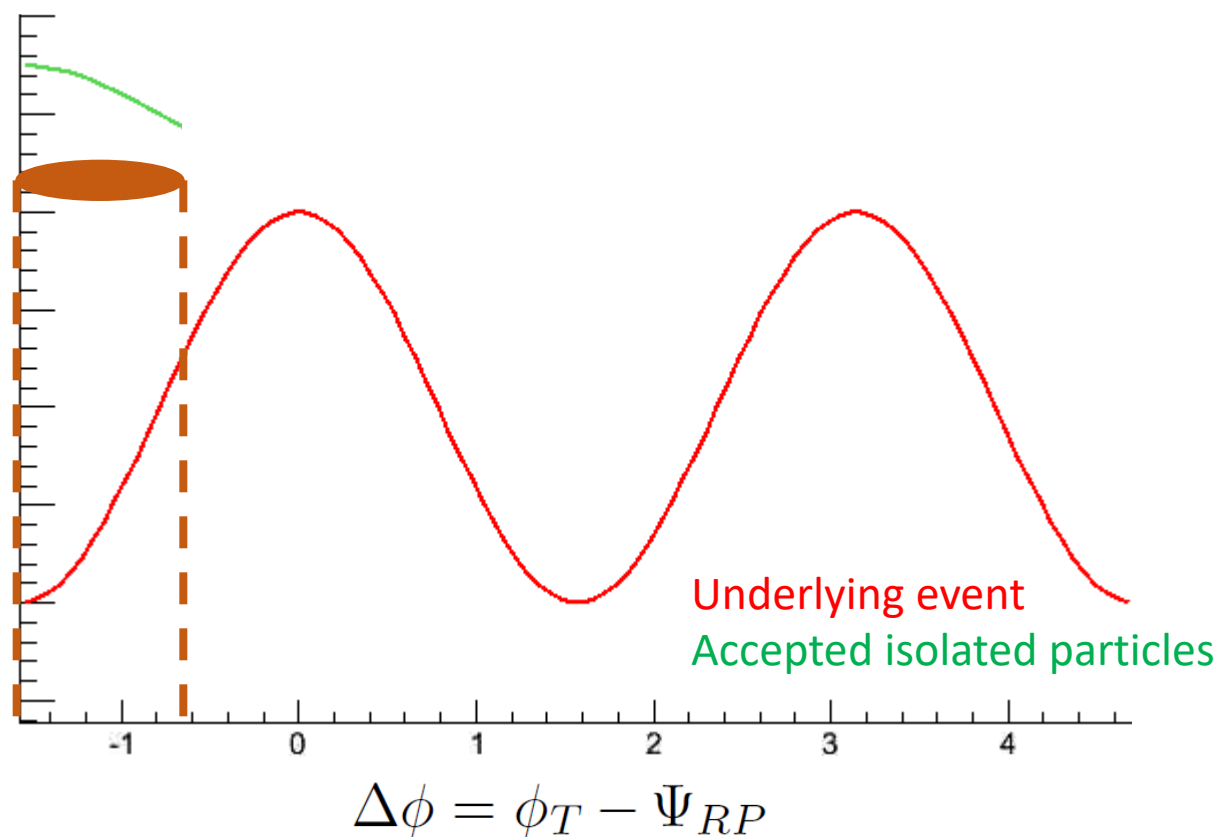


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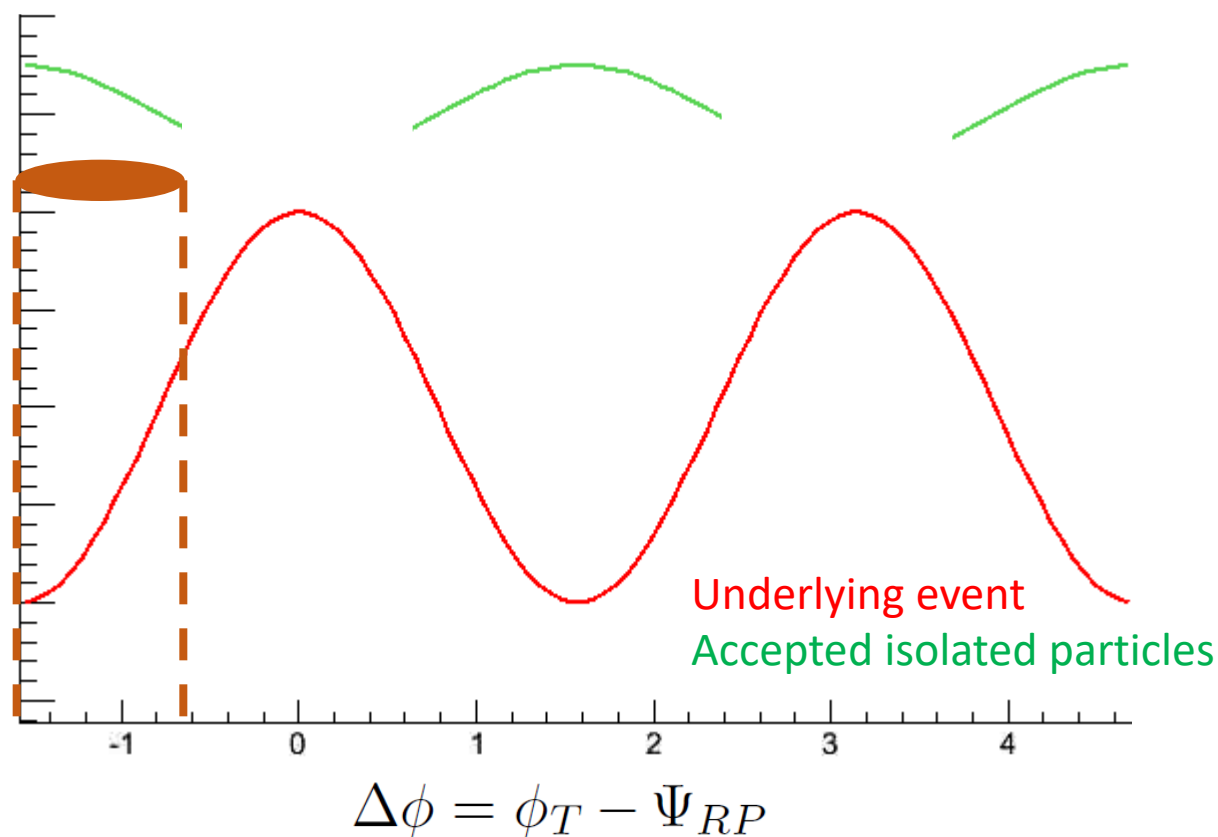


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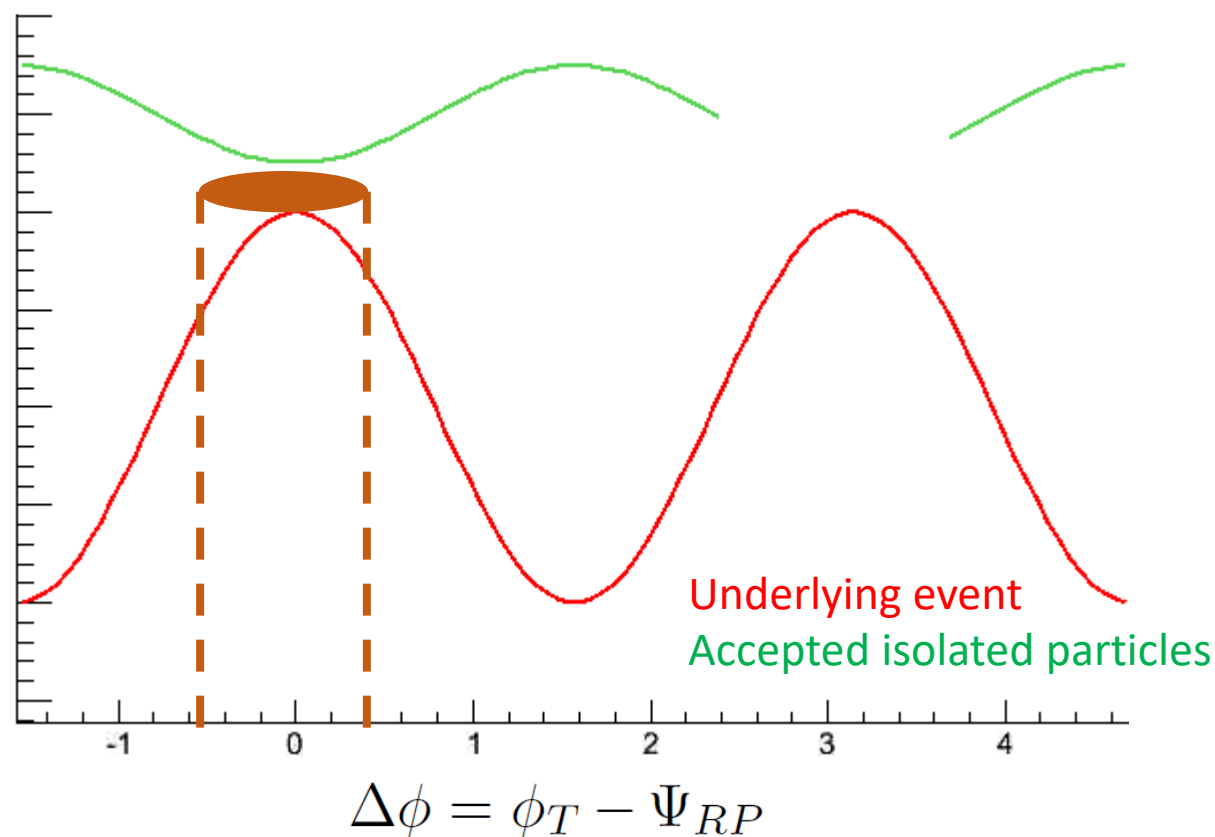
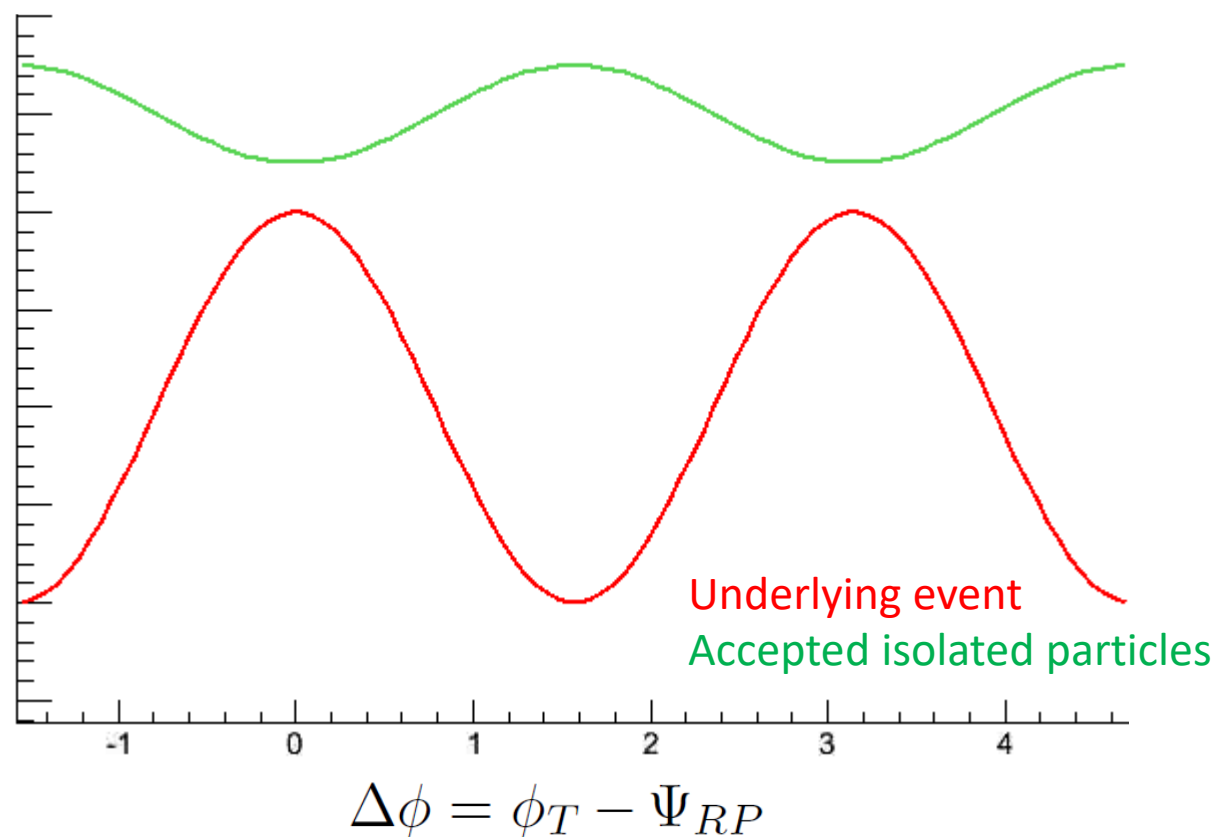


Illustration of v_2 Measurement With Isolation Cone

- Underlying event shape
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- Accept less particles when number of underlying event particles is high (in event plane)
- Must correct for this bias.



Complications of v_2 Measurement with Isolation Cut

- Isolation cut efficiency

$$\epsilon = \epsilon_0 (1 + 2v_{2E} \cos(2\Delta\phi))$$

$$\Delta\phi = \phi_T - \Psi_{RP}$$

- How does it effect the trigger particle's distribution?

$$\frac{dN_{TE}}{d\Delta\phi} = \mathcal{A} (1 + 2\mathcal{B} \cos(2\Delta\phi) + 4\mathcal{C} \cos^2(2\Delta\phi))$$

$$\mathcal{B} = v_{2T} + v_{2E}$$

$$\mathcal{C} = v_{2T}v_{2E}.$$

- How does the event plane resolution effect this distribution?

$$\frac{dN_{STSE}}{d\Delta\phi} = \mathcal{I} \left(1 + 2\mathcal{J} \cos(2\Delta\phi) + \mathcal{K} \cos^2(2\Delta\phi) - 4\mathcal{L} \cos(4\Delta\phi) \right)$$

$$\mathcal{J} = (v_{2T} + v_{2E}) \langle \cos(2\delta\Psi) \rangle,$$

$$\mathcal{K} = v_{2T}v_{2E}, \text{ and}$$

$$\mathcal{L} \propto v_{2T}v_{2E}.$$

- How does it effect the correlation function background distribution?

$$\frac{dN_{TA}}{d\Delta\phi} = \mathcal{F} (\mathcal{G} + 2 \mathcal{H} \cos(2\Delta\phi_{TA}))$$

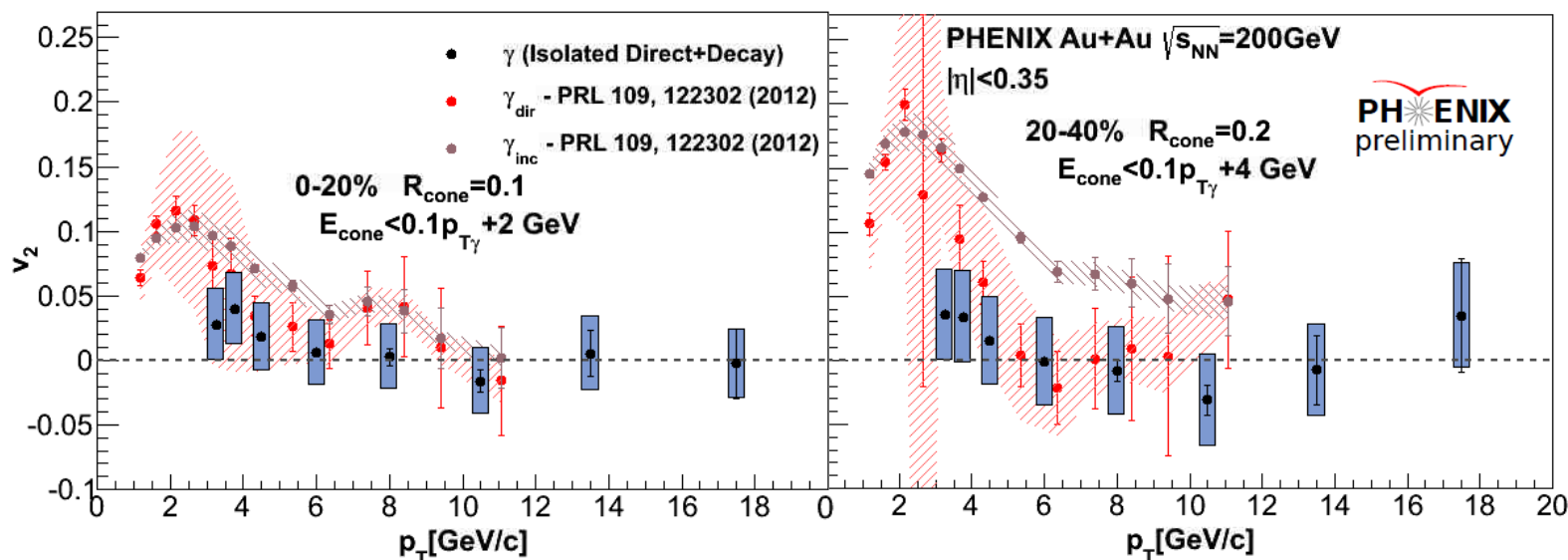
$$\mathcal{G} = 1 + 2v_{2T}v_{2E},$$

$$\mathcal{H} = v_{2A}(v_{2T} + v_{2E})$$

$$\Delta\phi_{TA} = \phi_T - \phi_A$$

- For 2 particle correlations, only need sum $v_{2\text{iso}} = v_{2T} + v_{2E}$ which is what is ~directly measured from isolated triggers using 'typical' event plane method
- These equations have been verified using toy MC simulation

Measuring v_2 of Isolated Photons



- Inclusive photon v_2 is large and not consistent with 0 for most p_T
- Isolation cut reduces the v_2 to be more comparable to the direct photon v_2
- Some decay photons survive isolation cut
 - No decay photon subtraction here
- This v_2 is subtracted from γ_{iso} -h correlation functions