

Experimental Perspectives on Hard Probes in Heavy Ion Collisions at RHIC

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- determine the mechanism(s) of energy loss
pQCD radiative & collisional, AdS/CFT,
something else?
- determine the strength of the interactions

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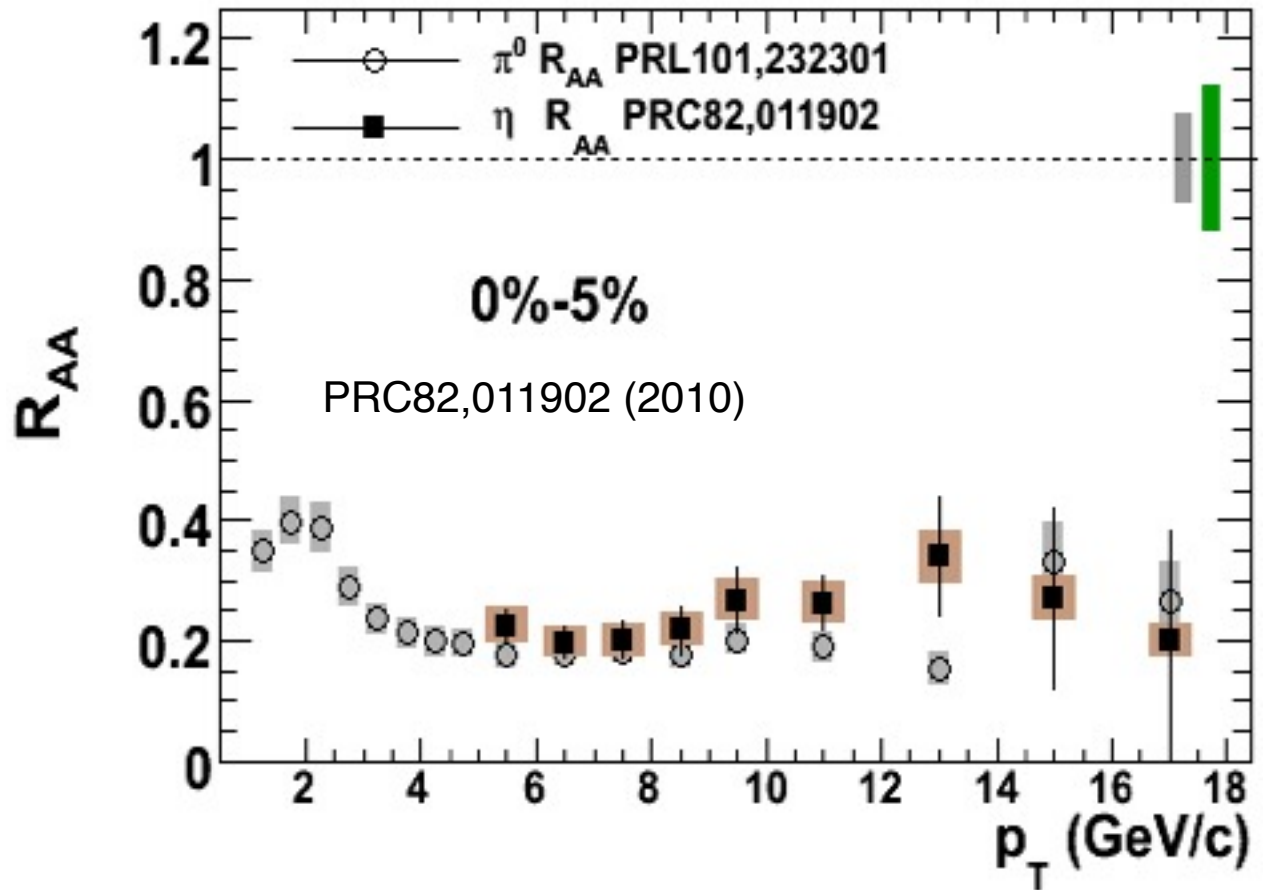
it's all important!, so how do we learn anything...

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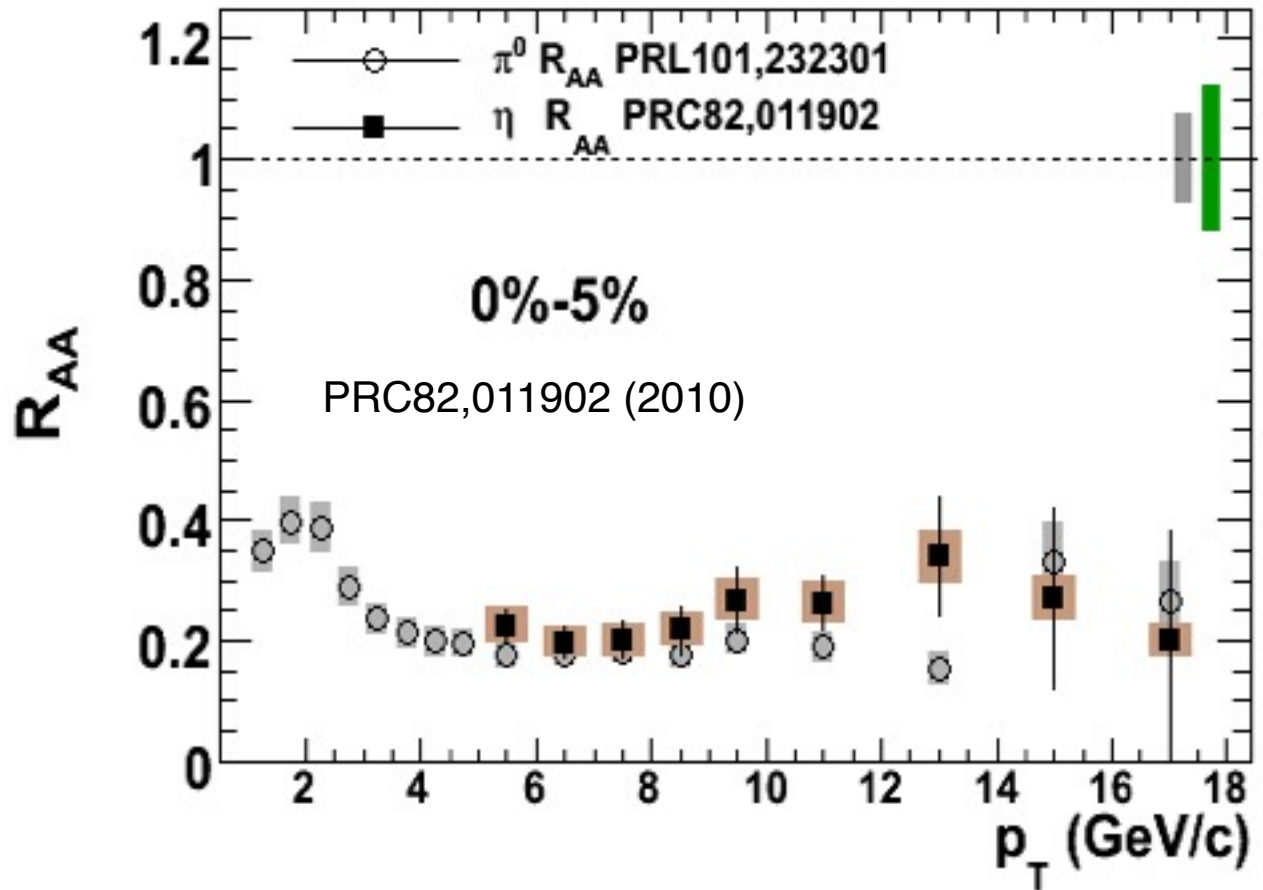
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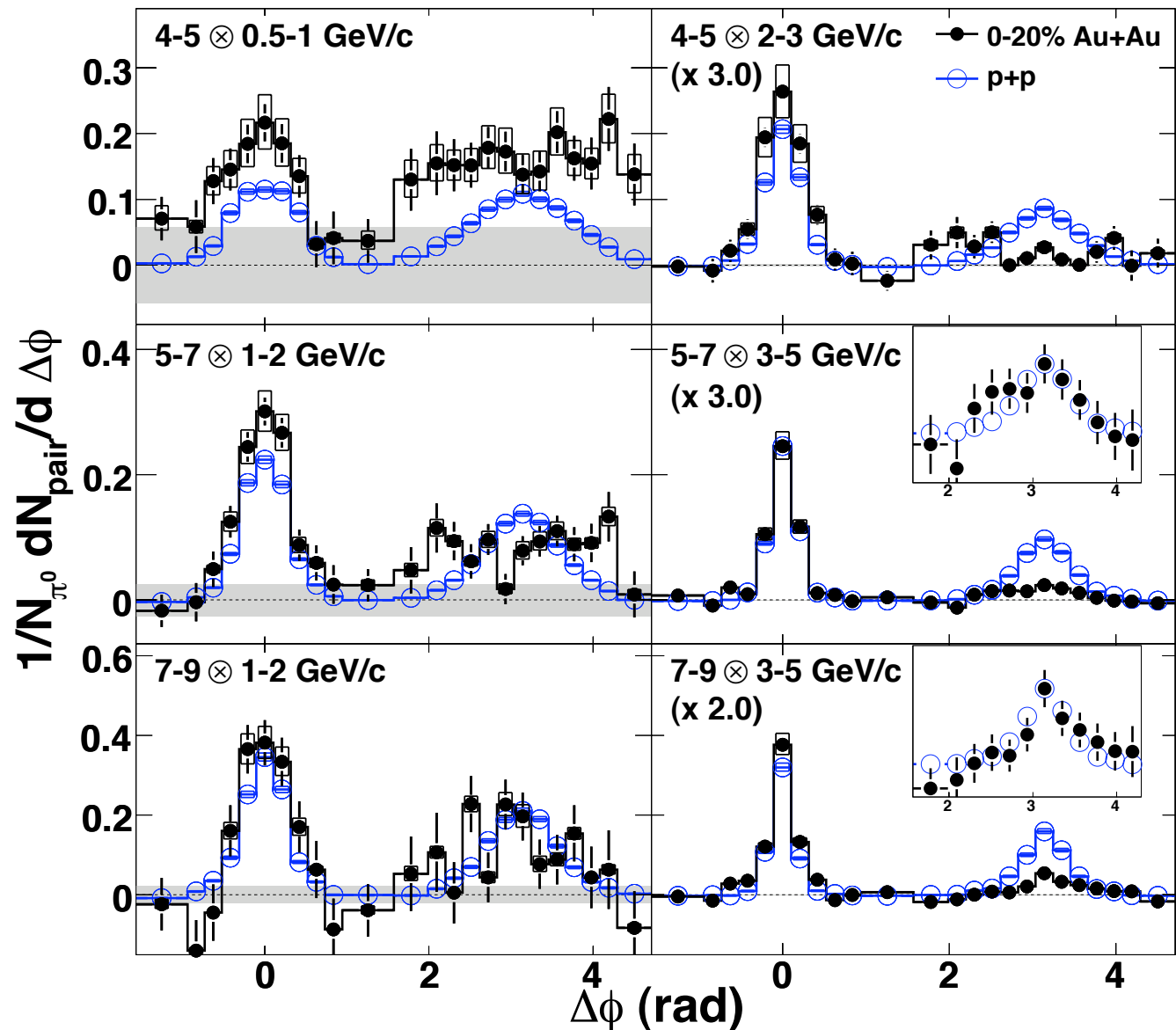
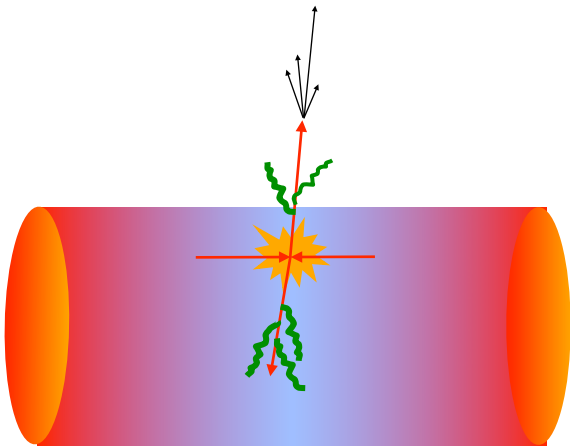
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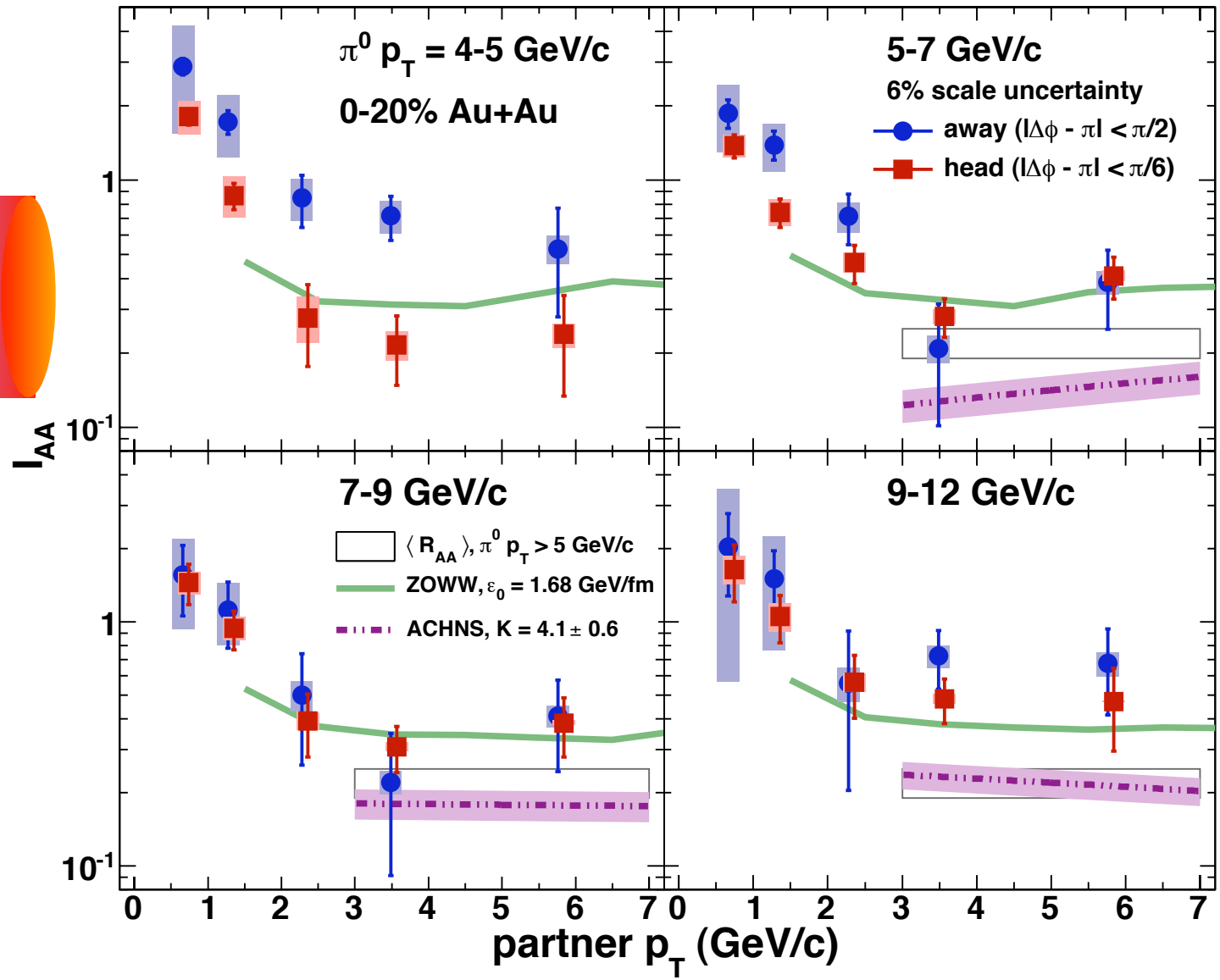
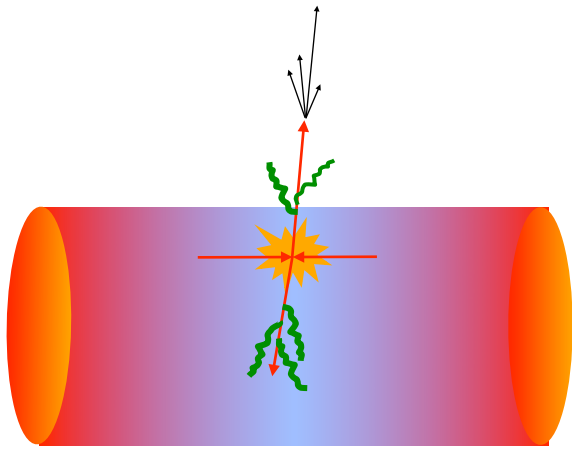
- both π^0 & η R_{AA} still flat out to 20GeV/c!

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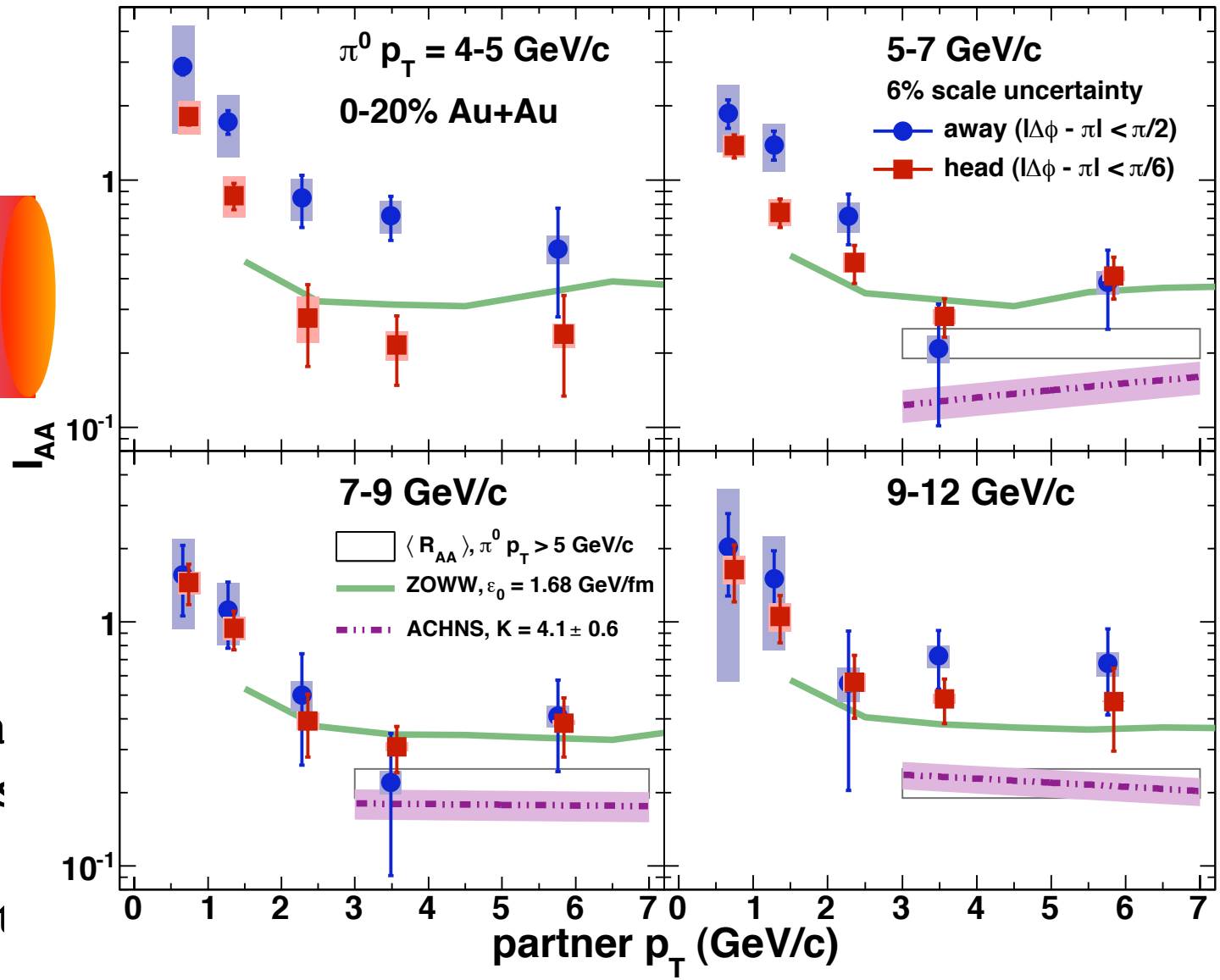
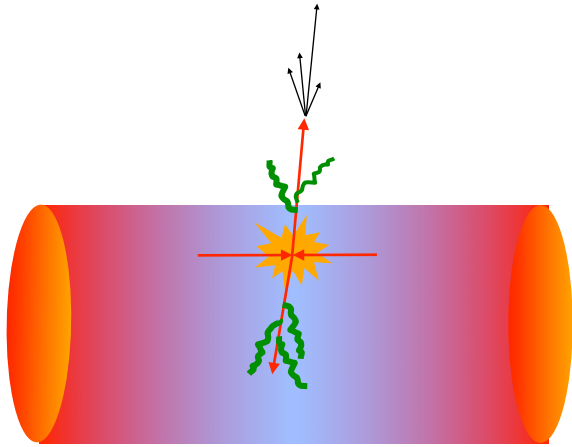
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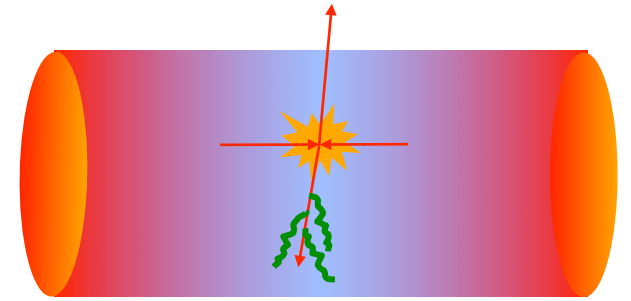
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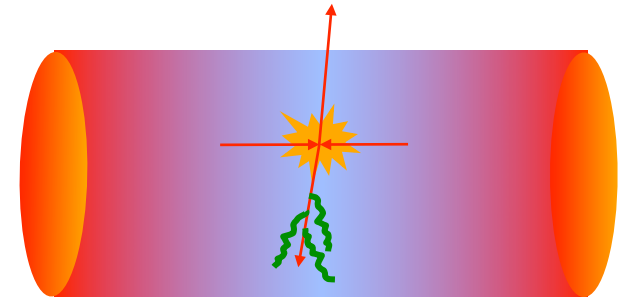
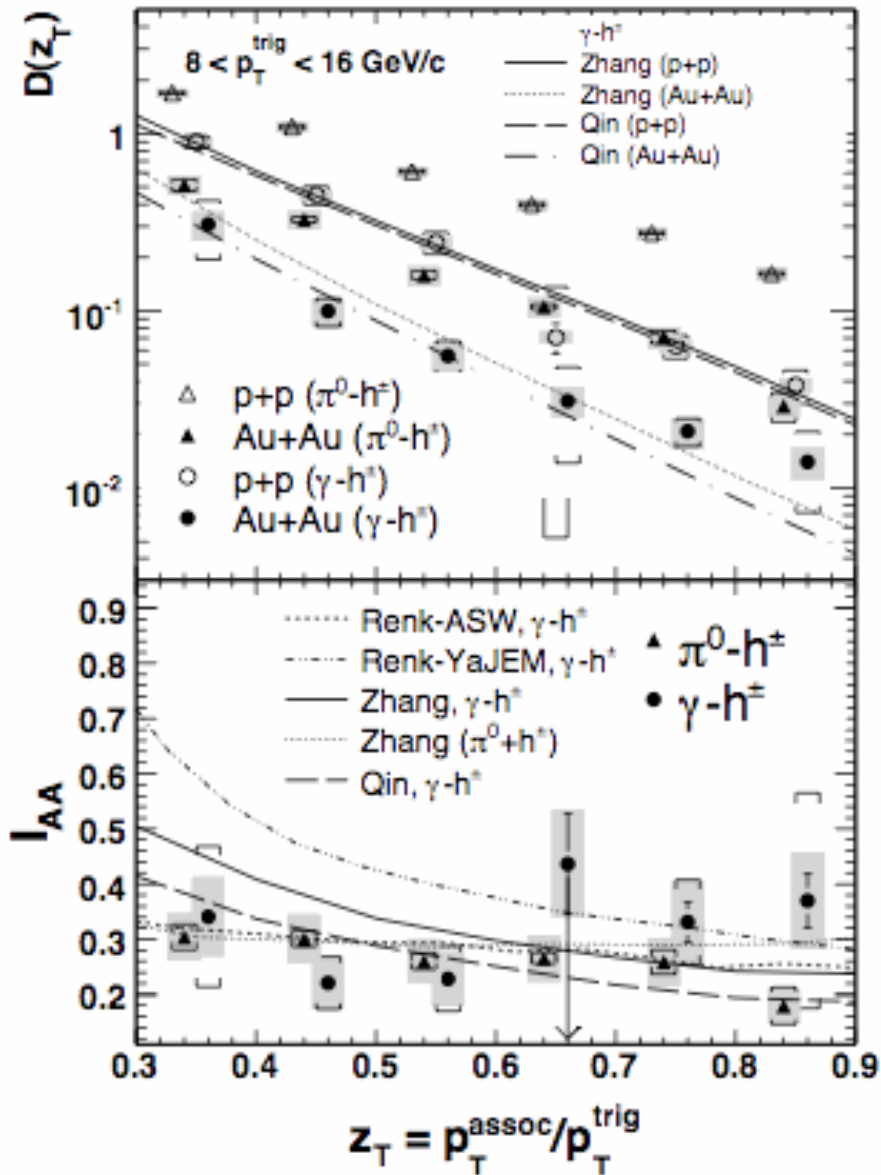


$I_{AA} > R_{AA}$
 away side spectra
 harder than singles
 same decrease
 results in different
 suppression

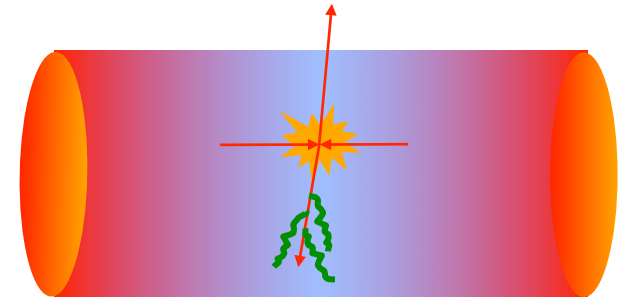
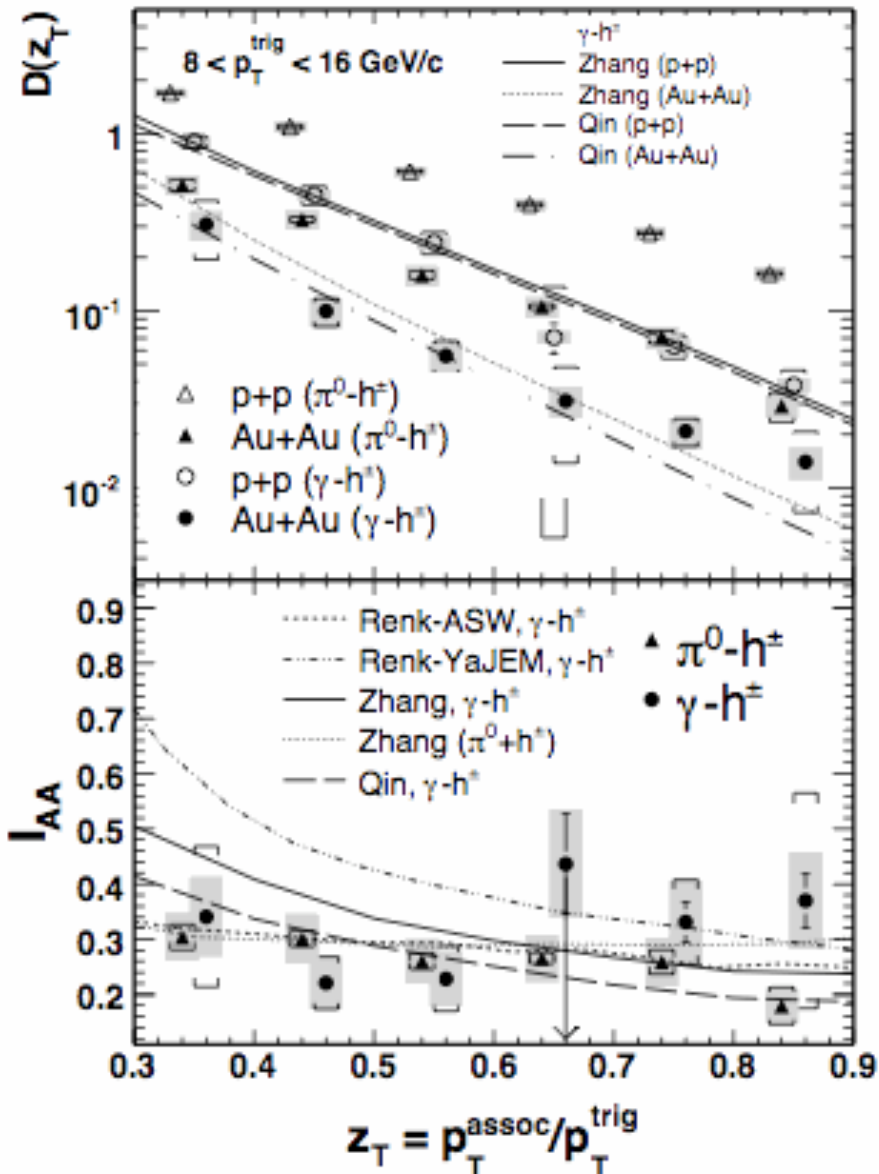
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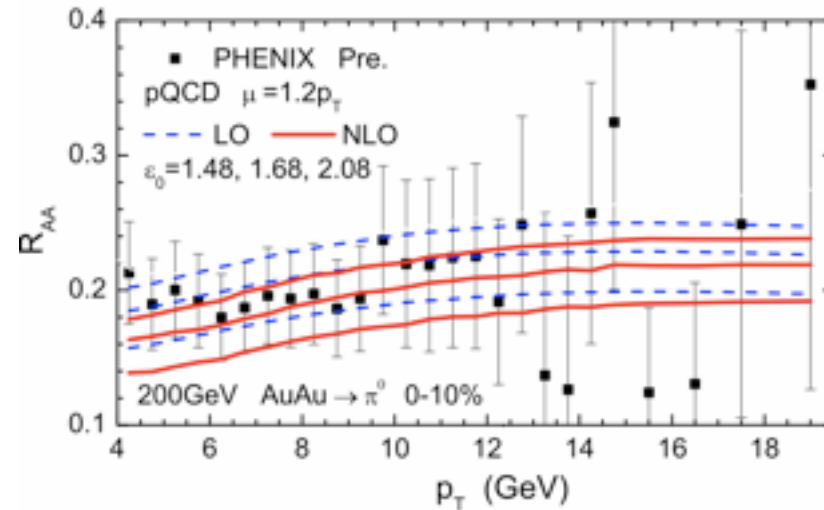


no significant difference
between π^0 & γ triggered
away sides

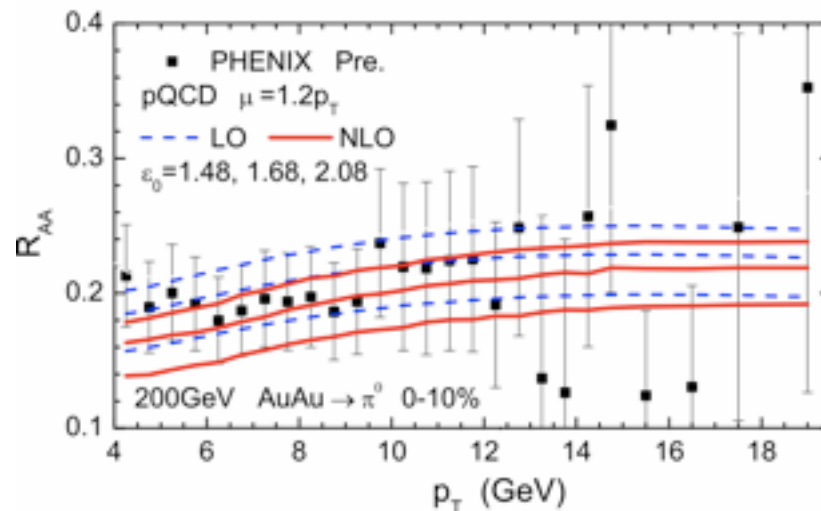
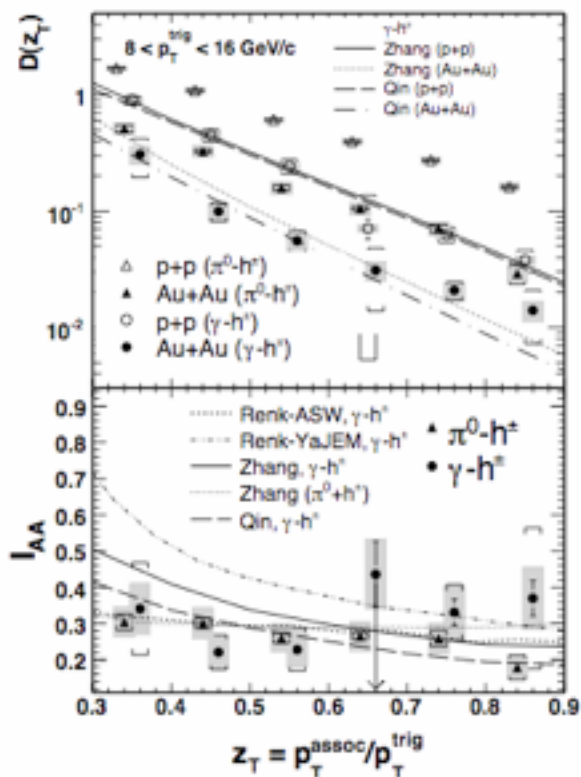
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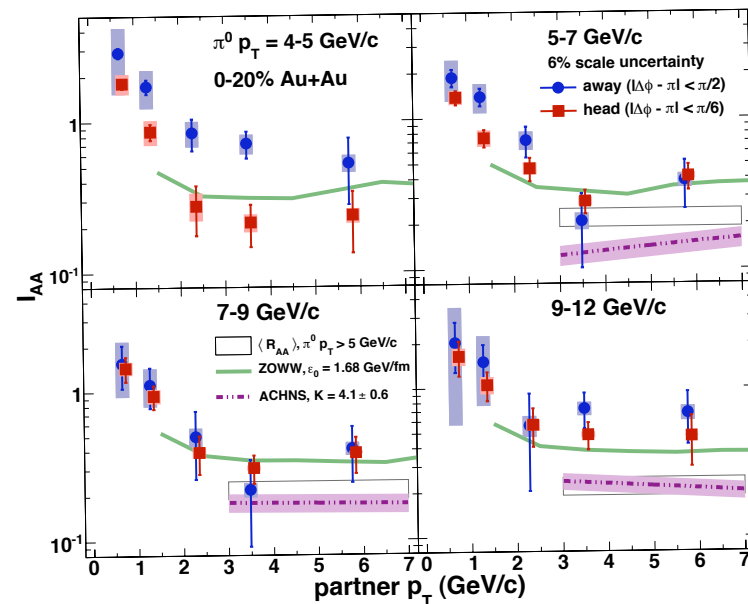
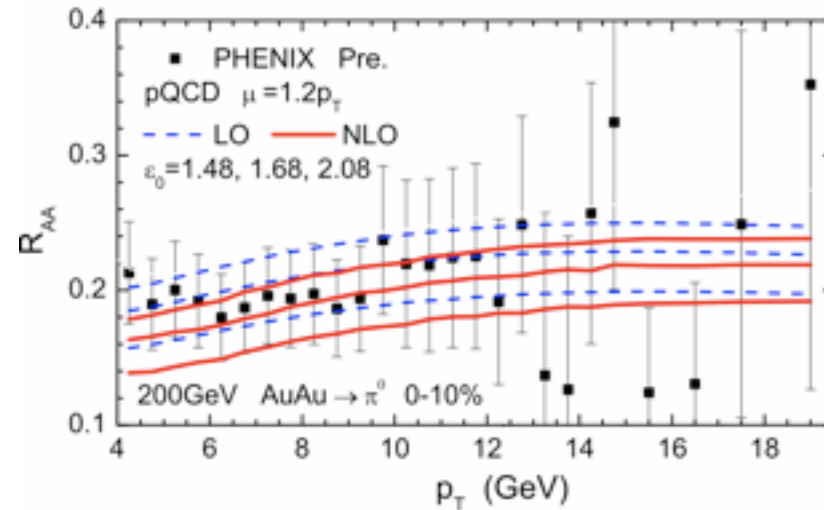
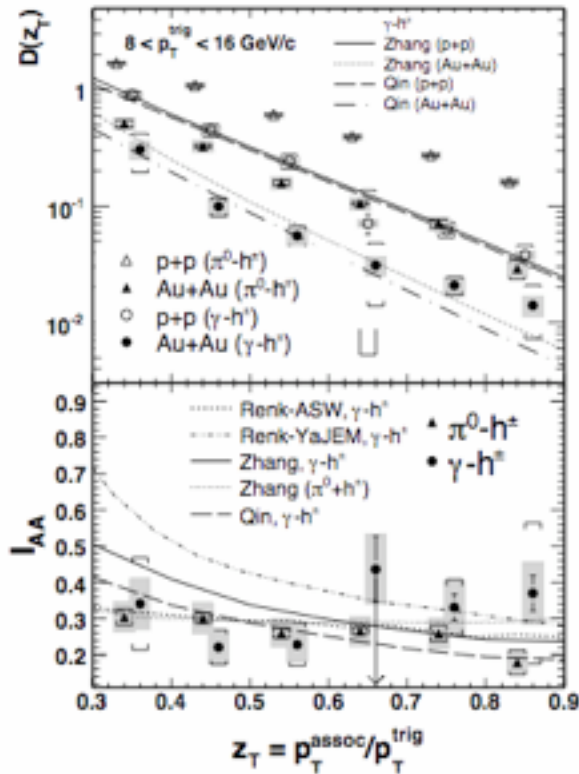


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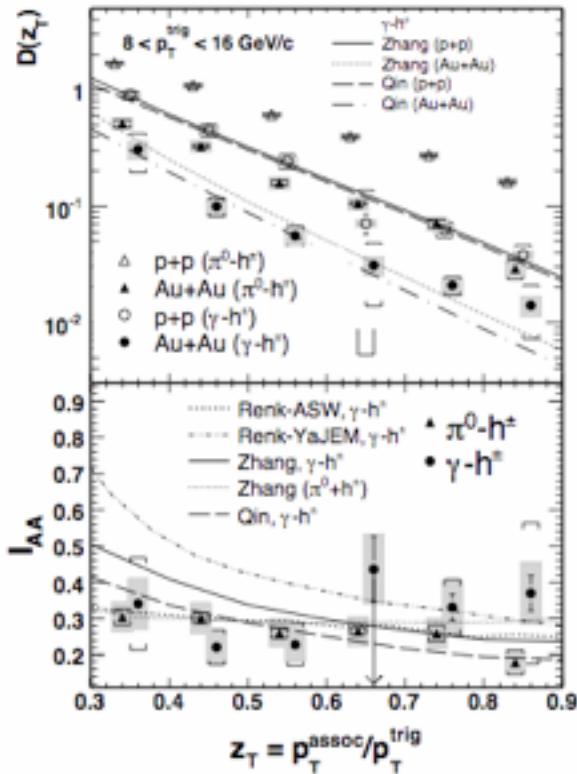
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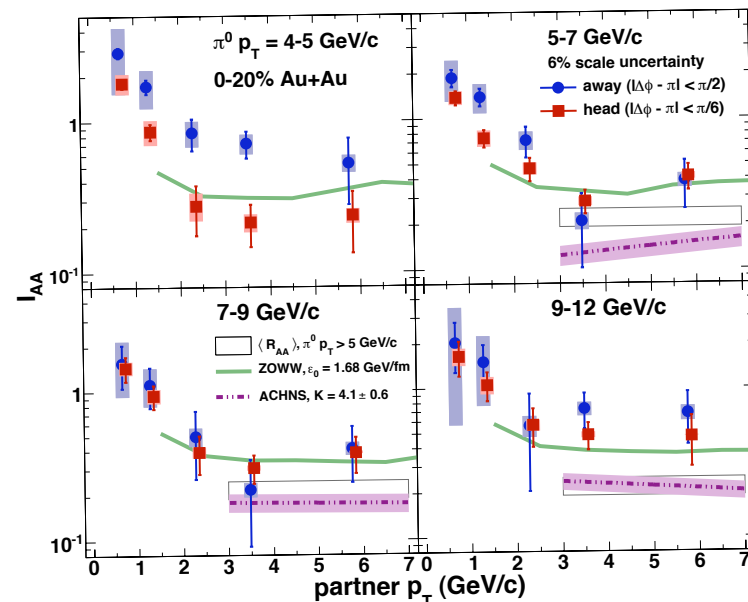
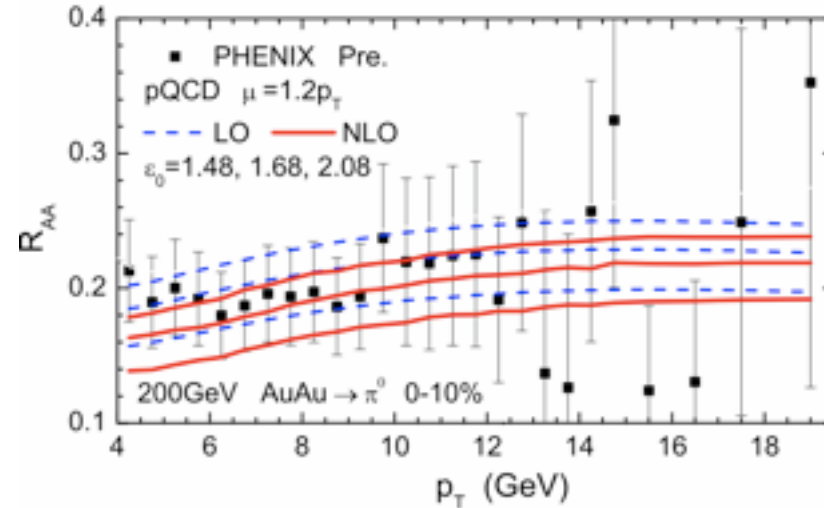


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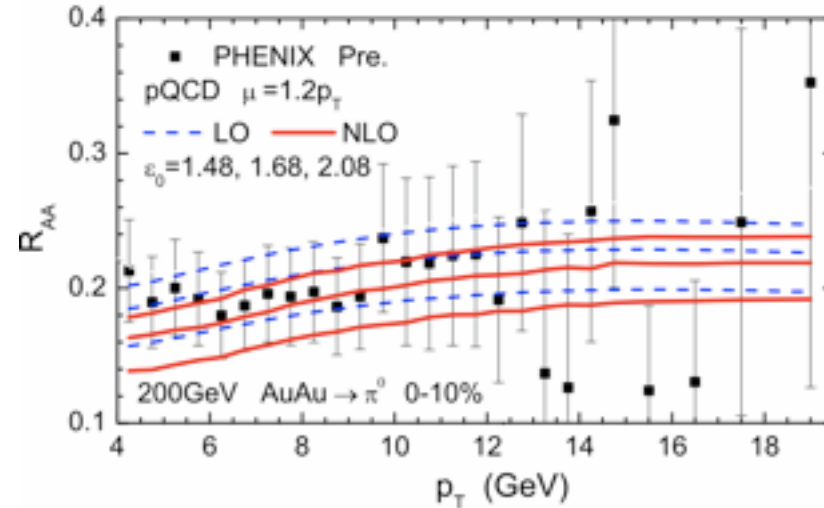
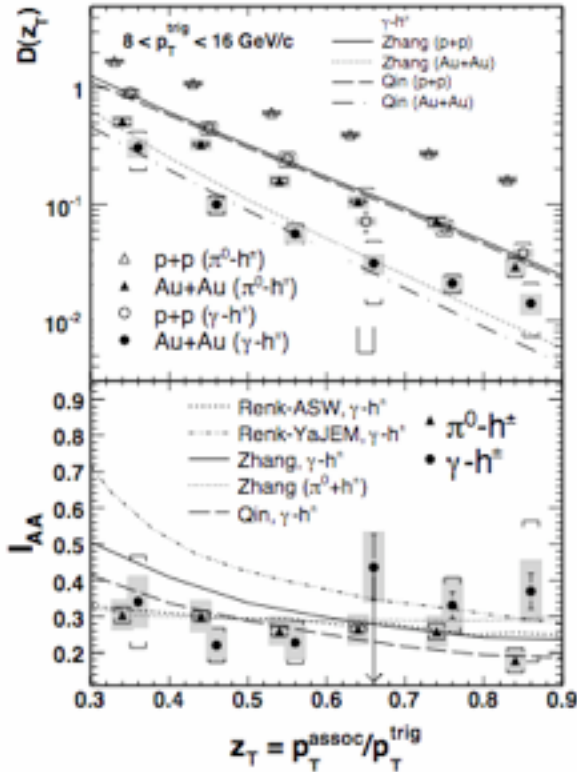


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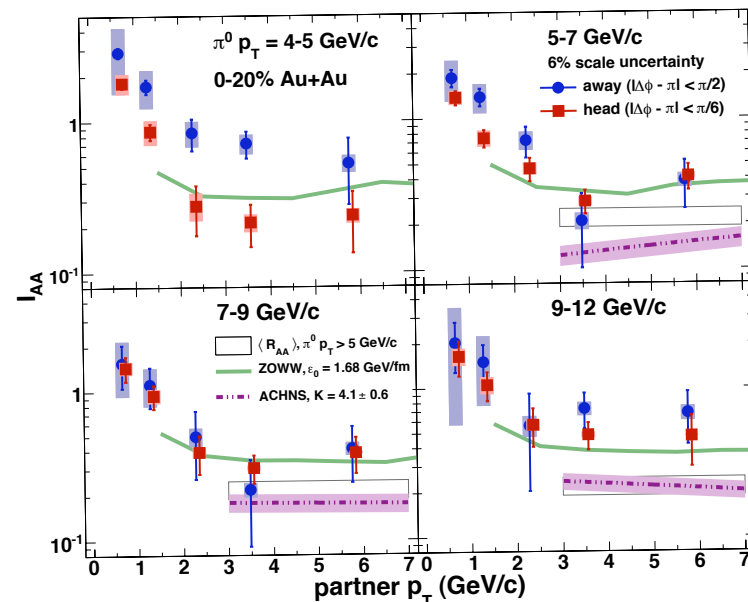
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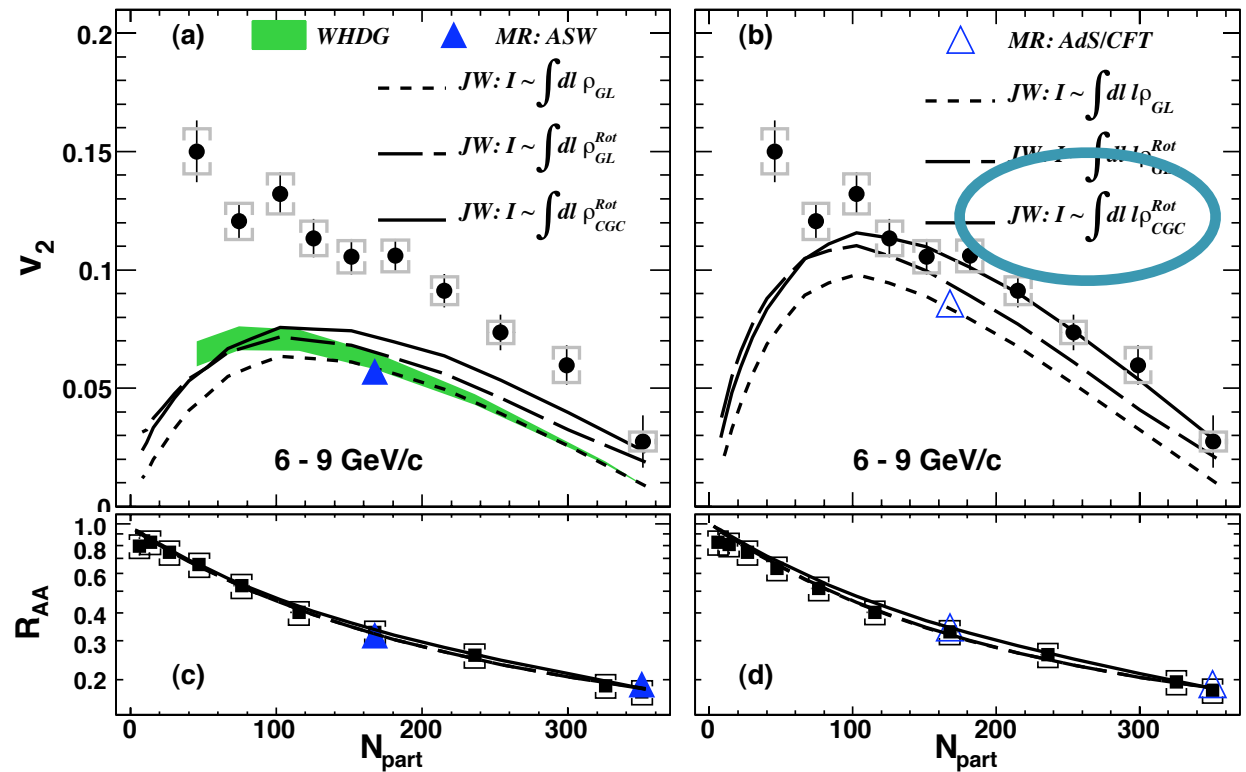
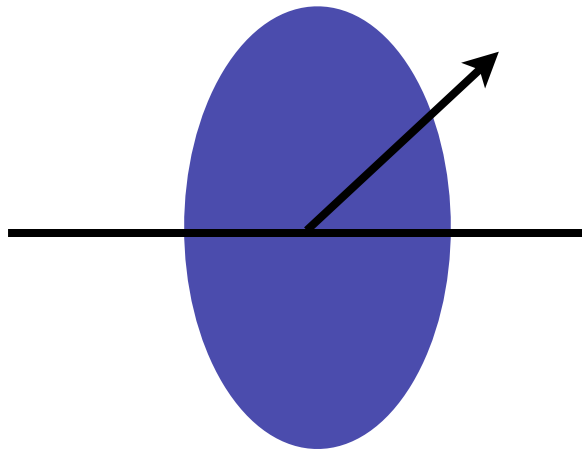
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uses hard sphere geometry rather than hydro medium



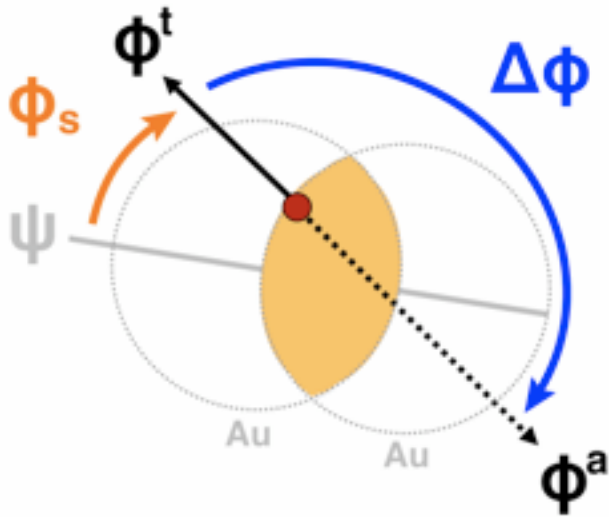
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reaction plane: a closer look



points to very strong path length dependence

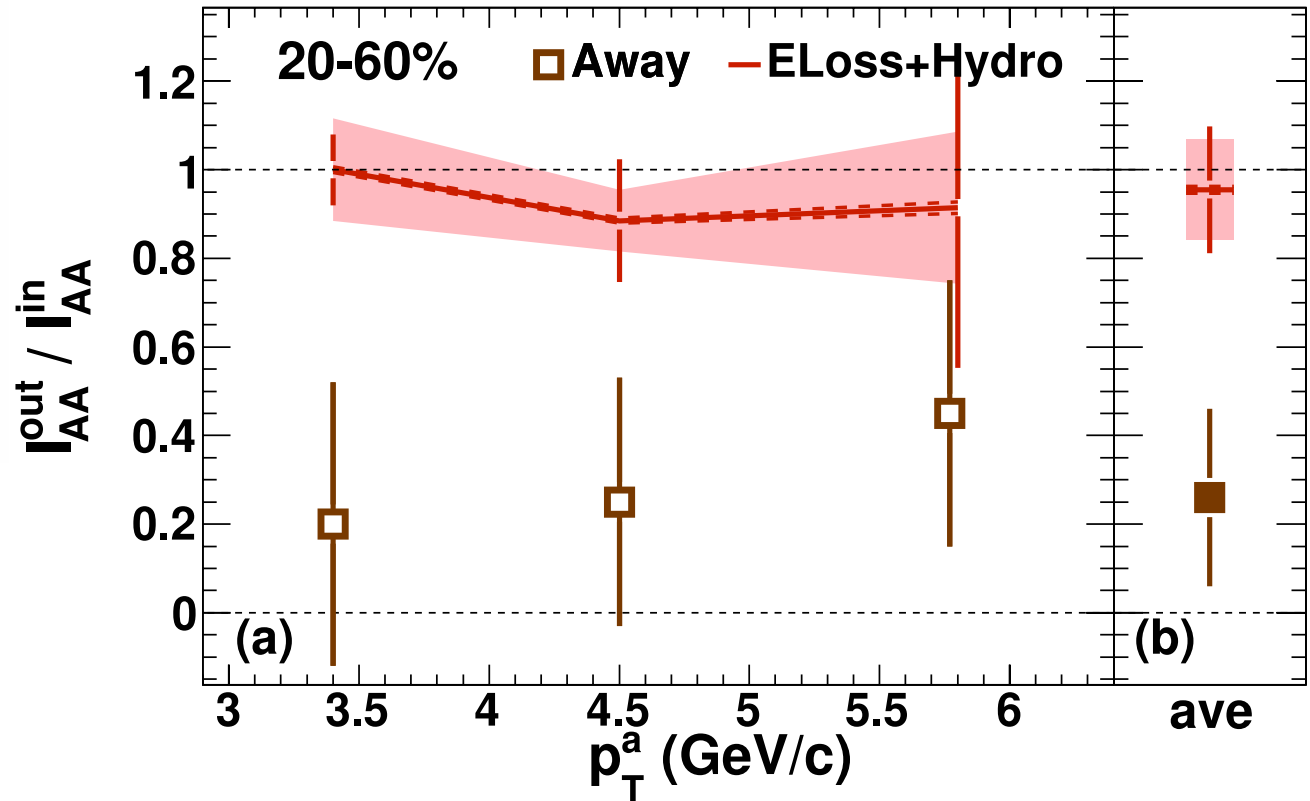
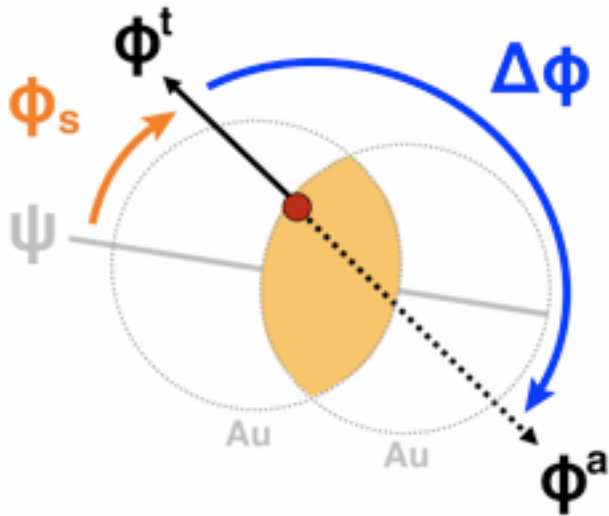
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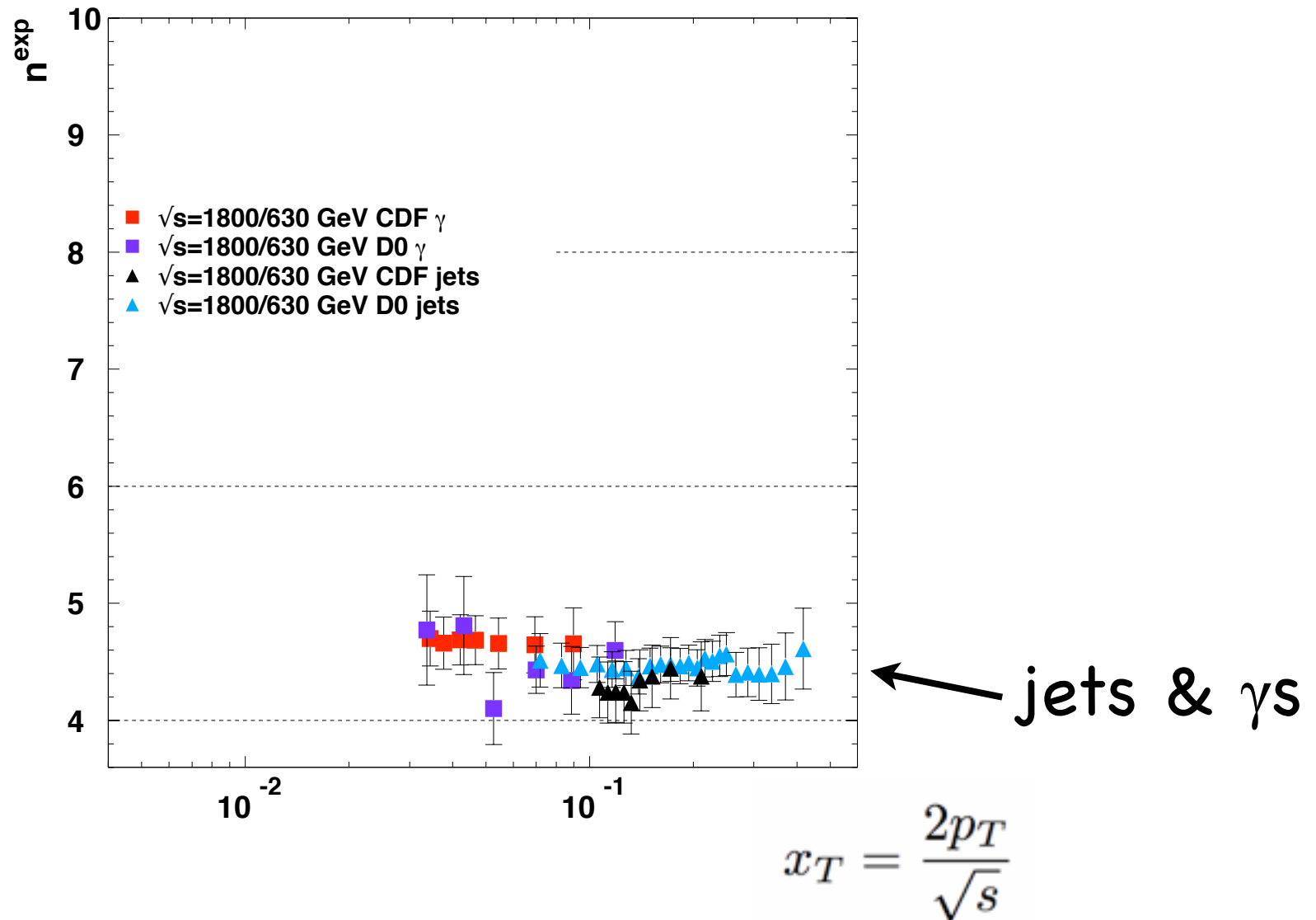
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details matter!

- a model that successfully describes the π^0 results, including, reaction plane dependence hasn't been found yet
- reaction plane data has proven a challenge to models
- challenge to theorists
 - but also to experimentalists
 - what other observables can help point in the right direction?

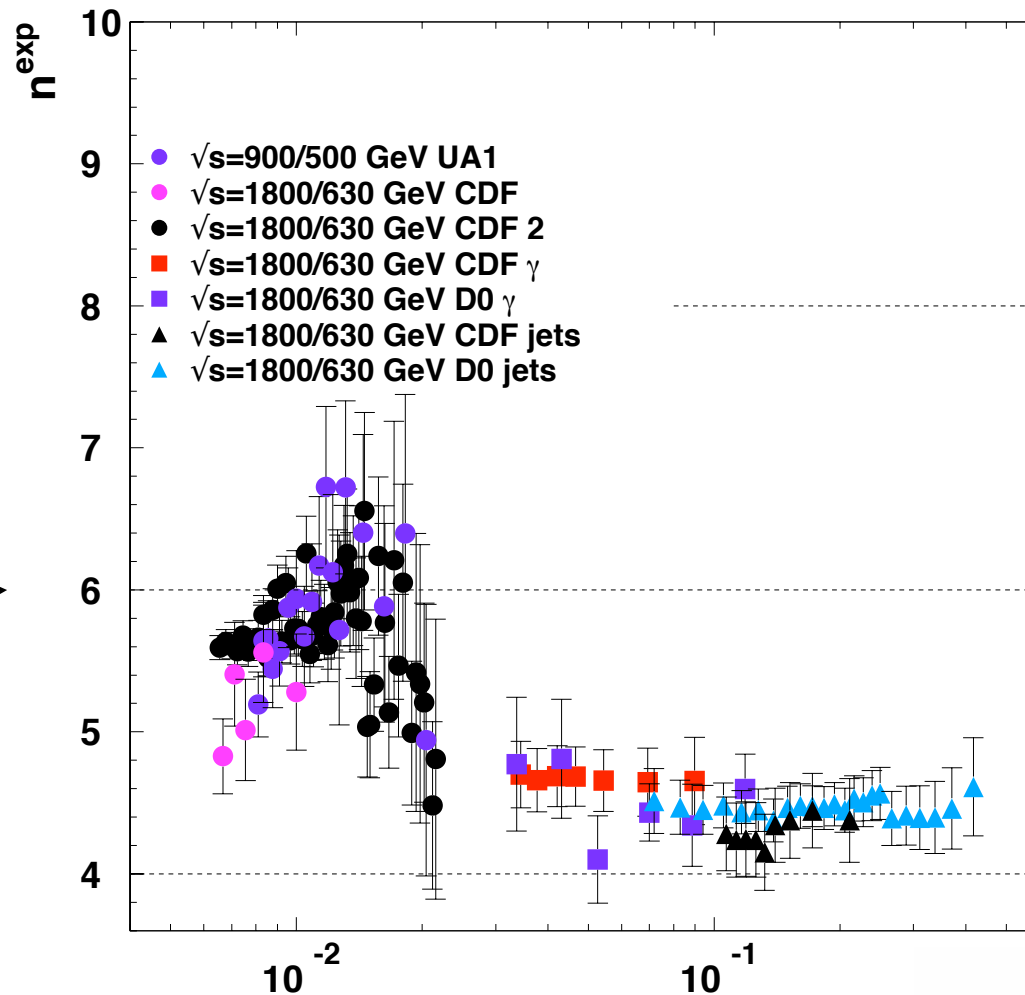
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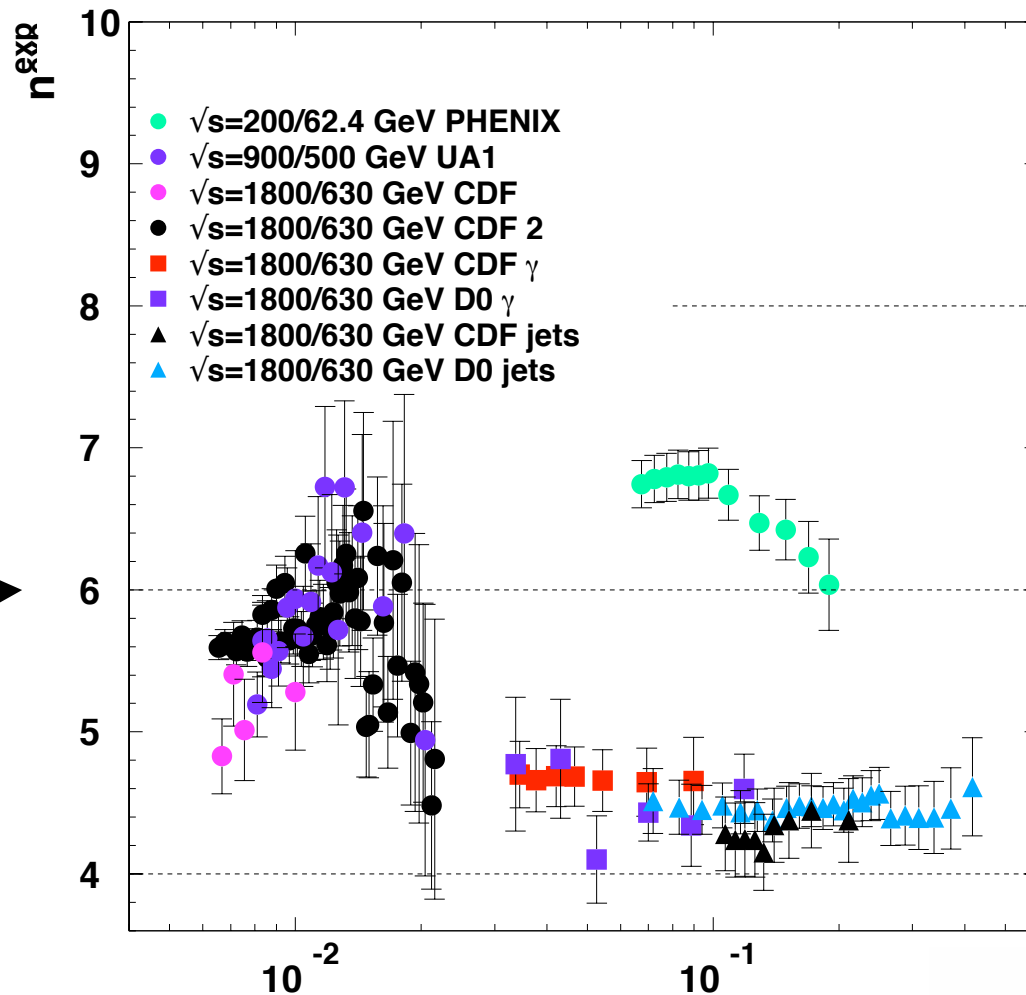
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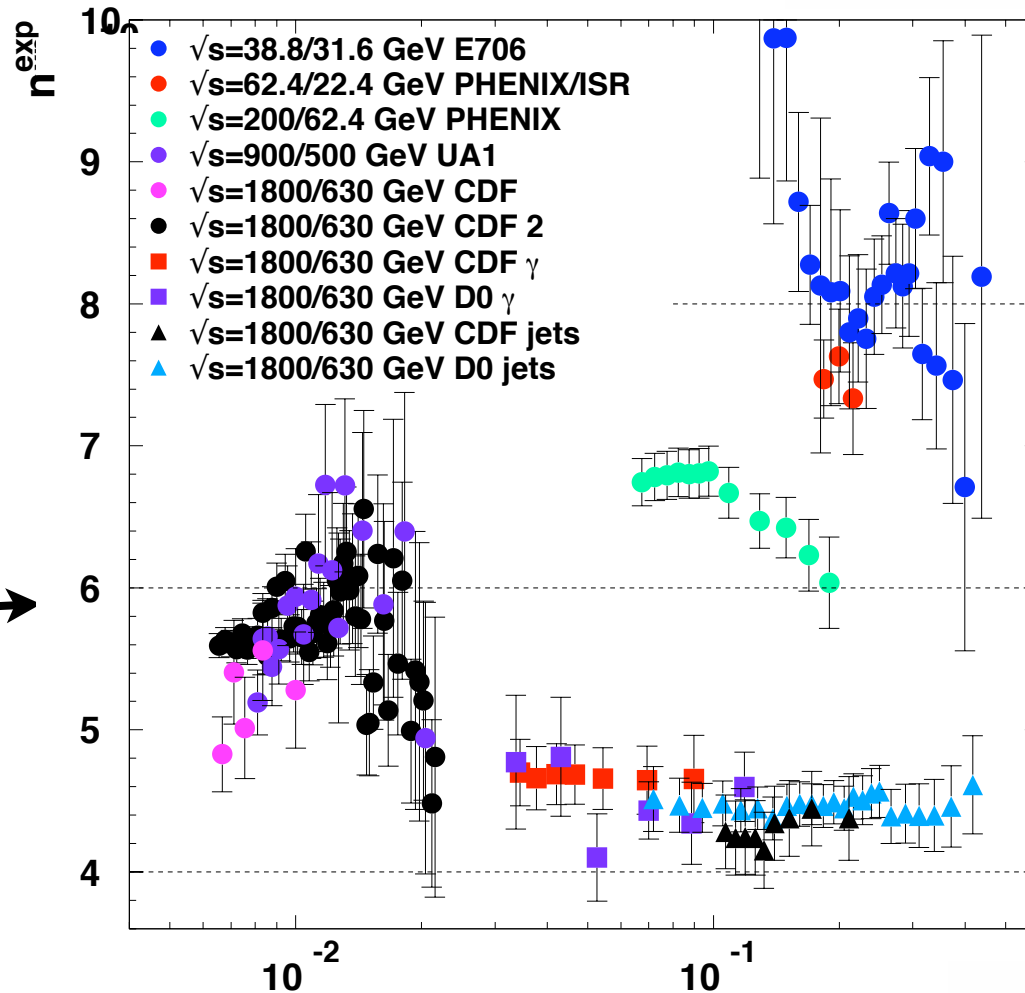
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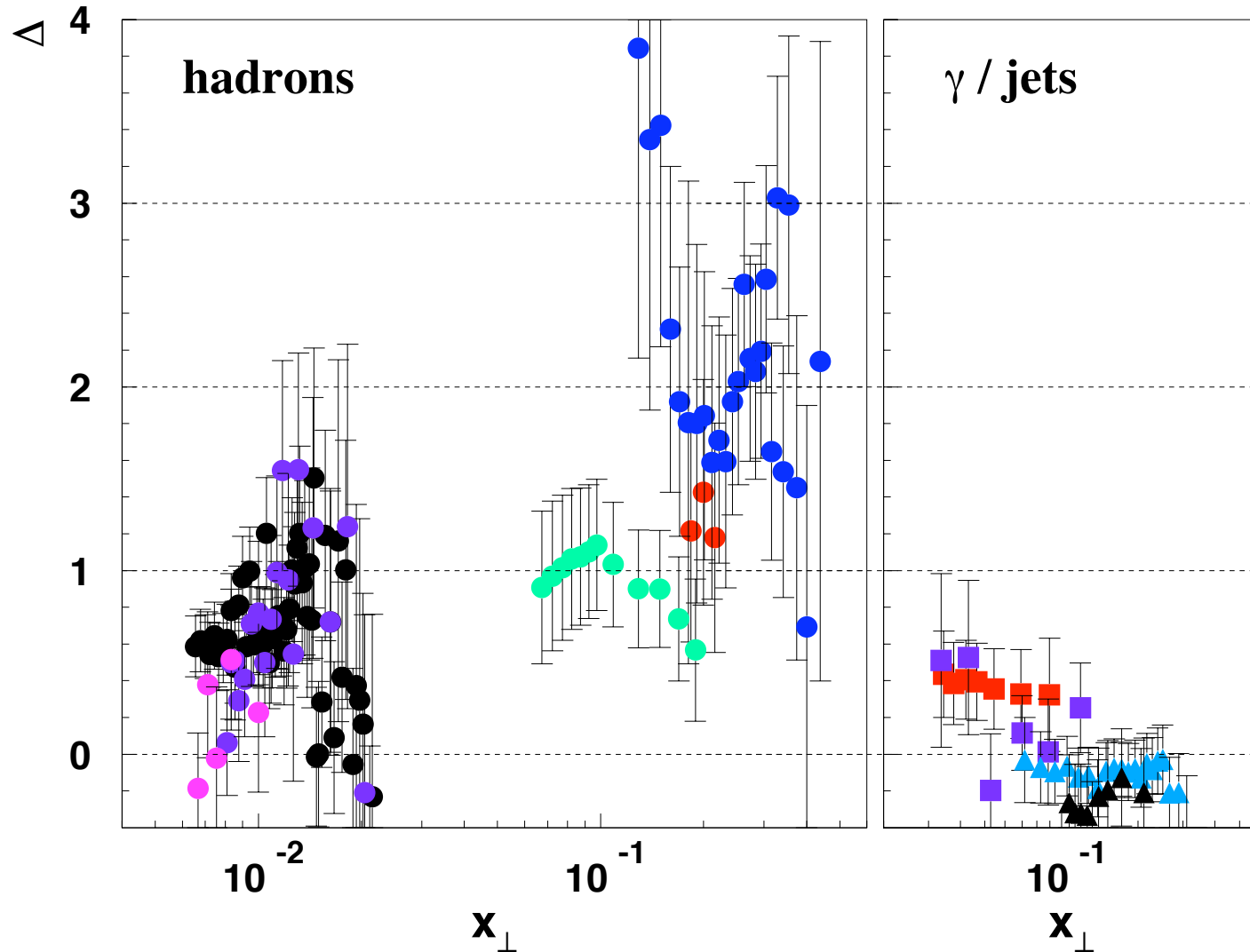
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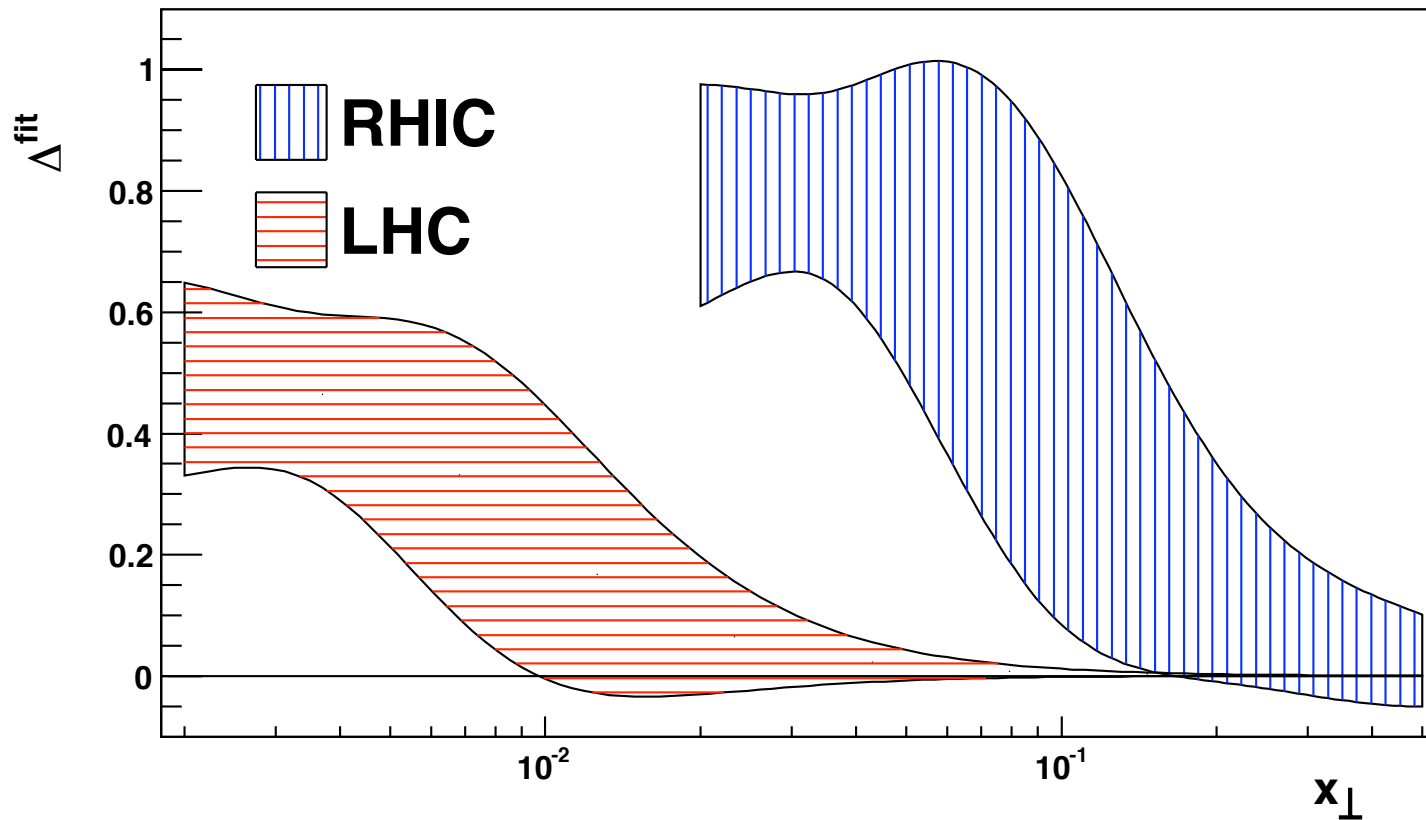
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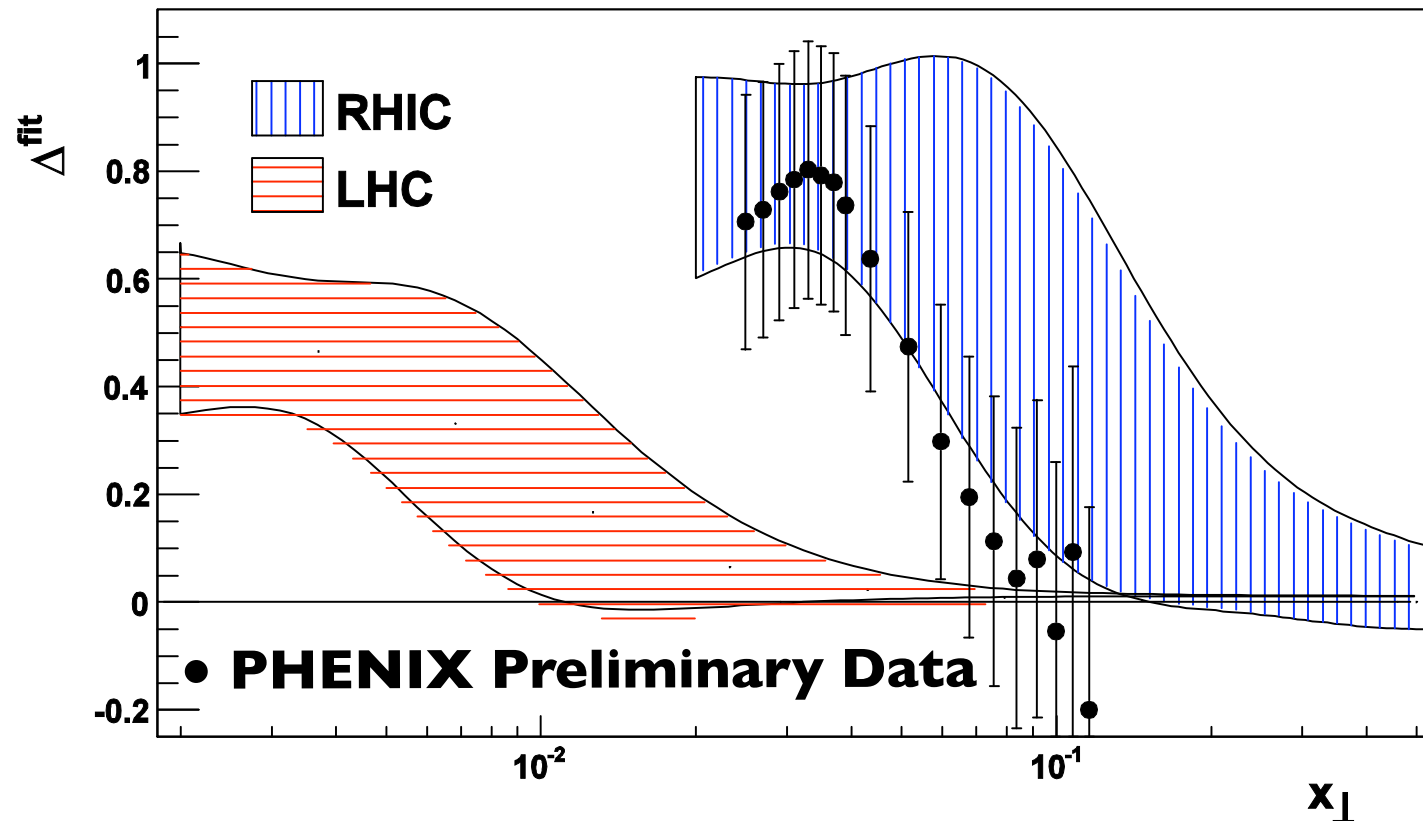
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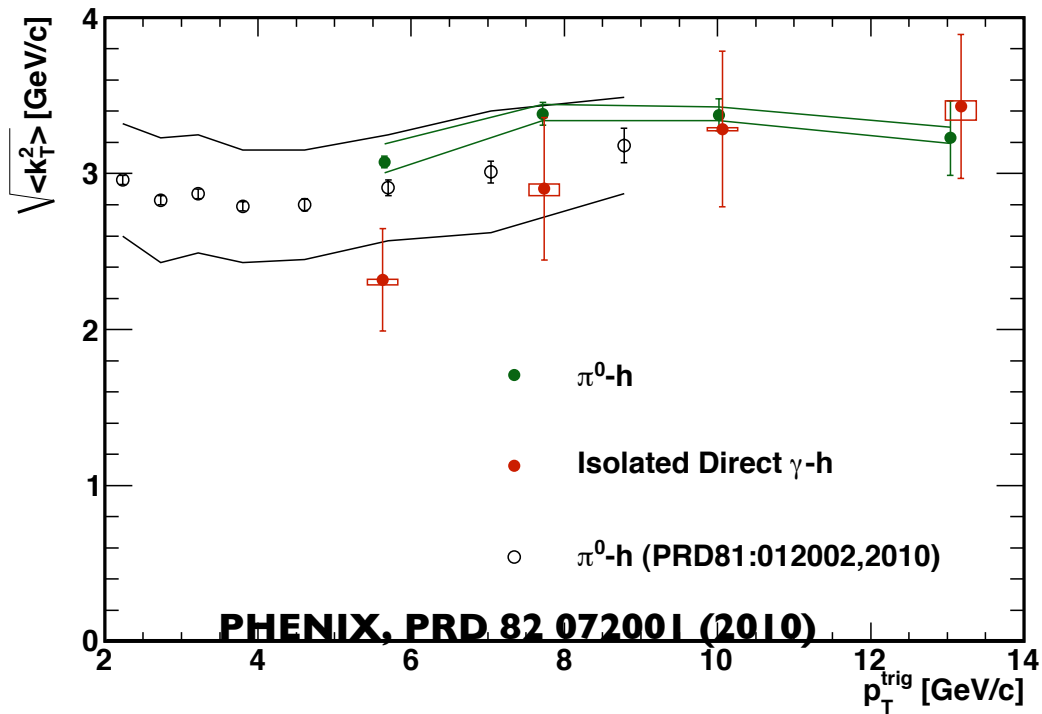
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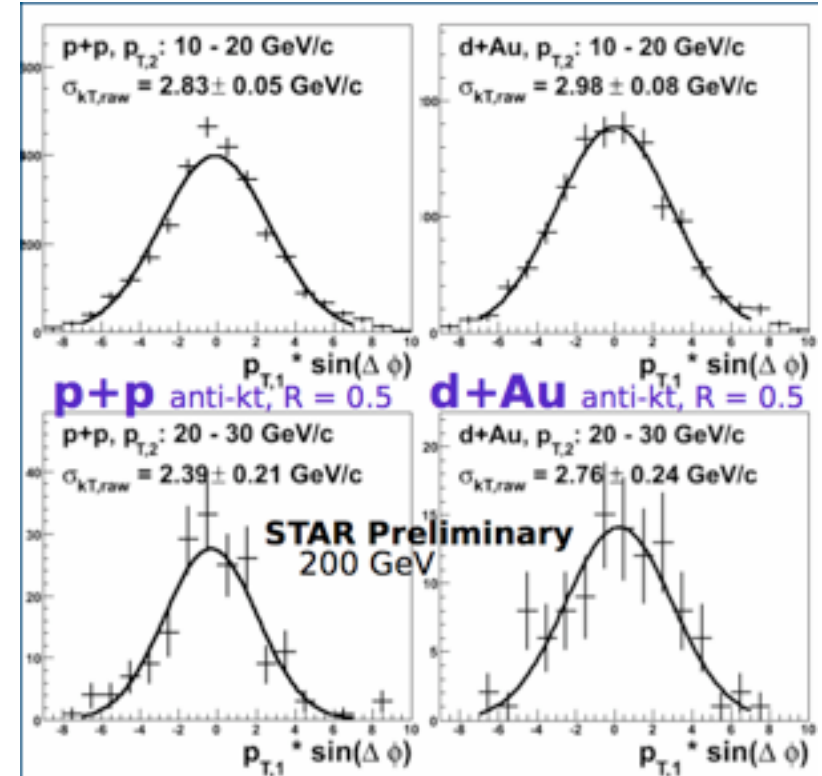
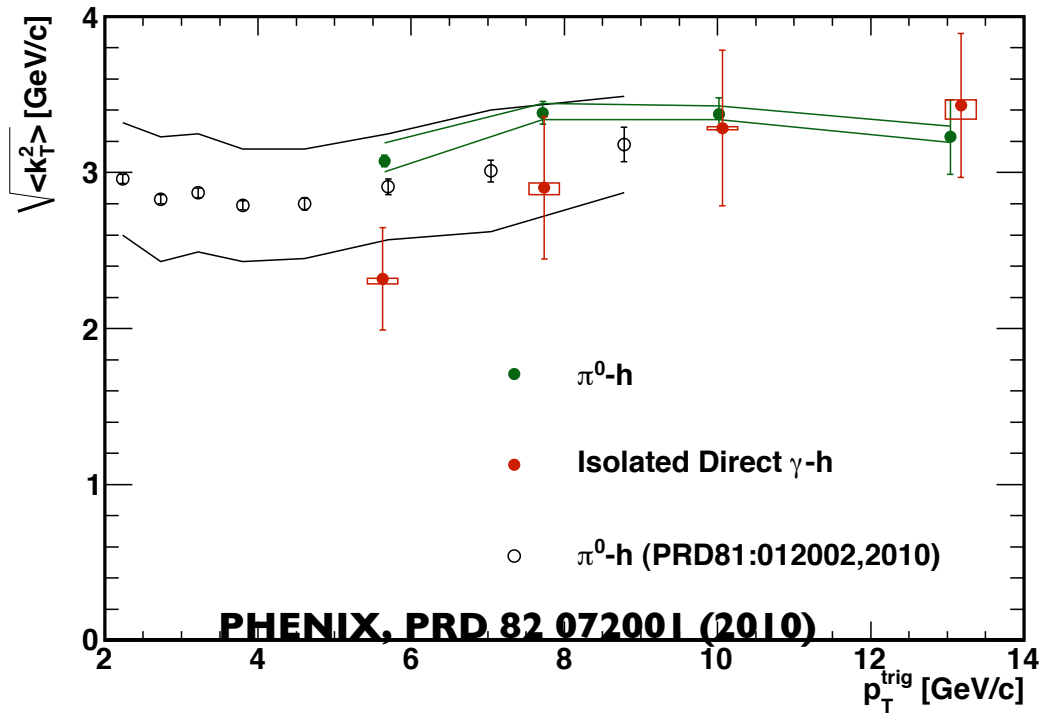
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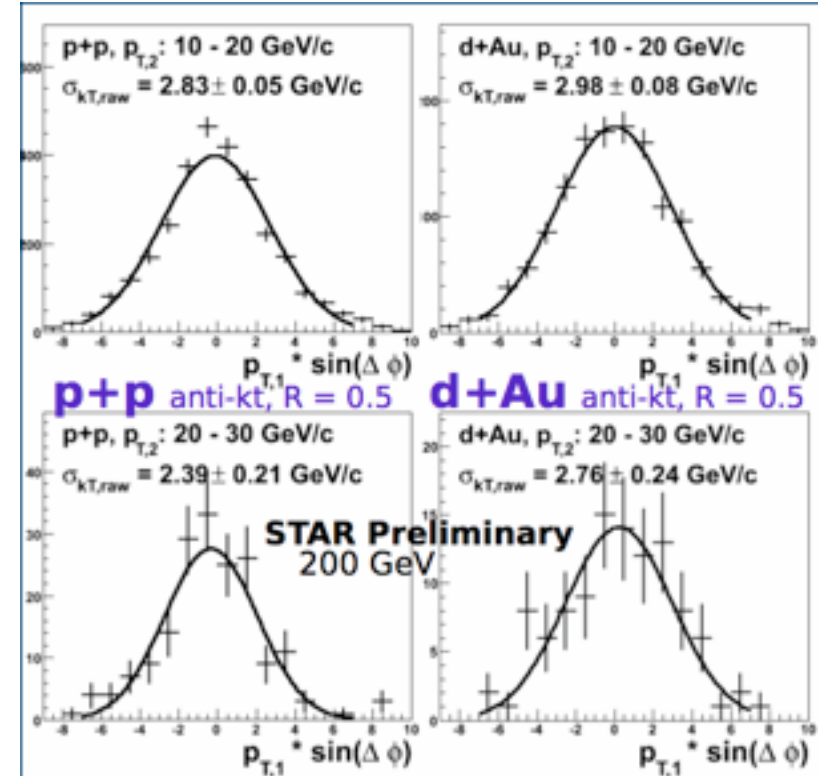
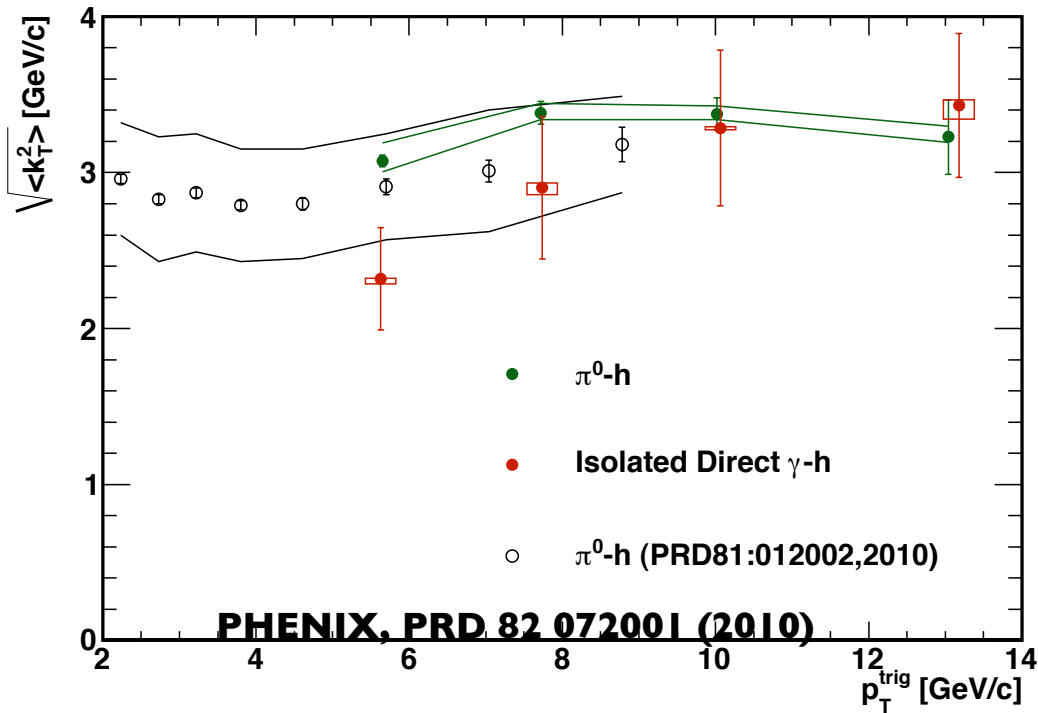
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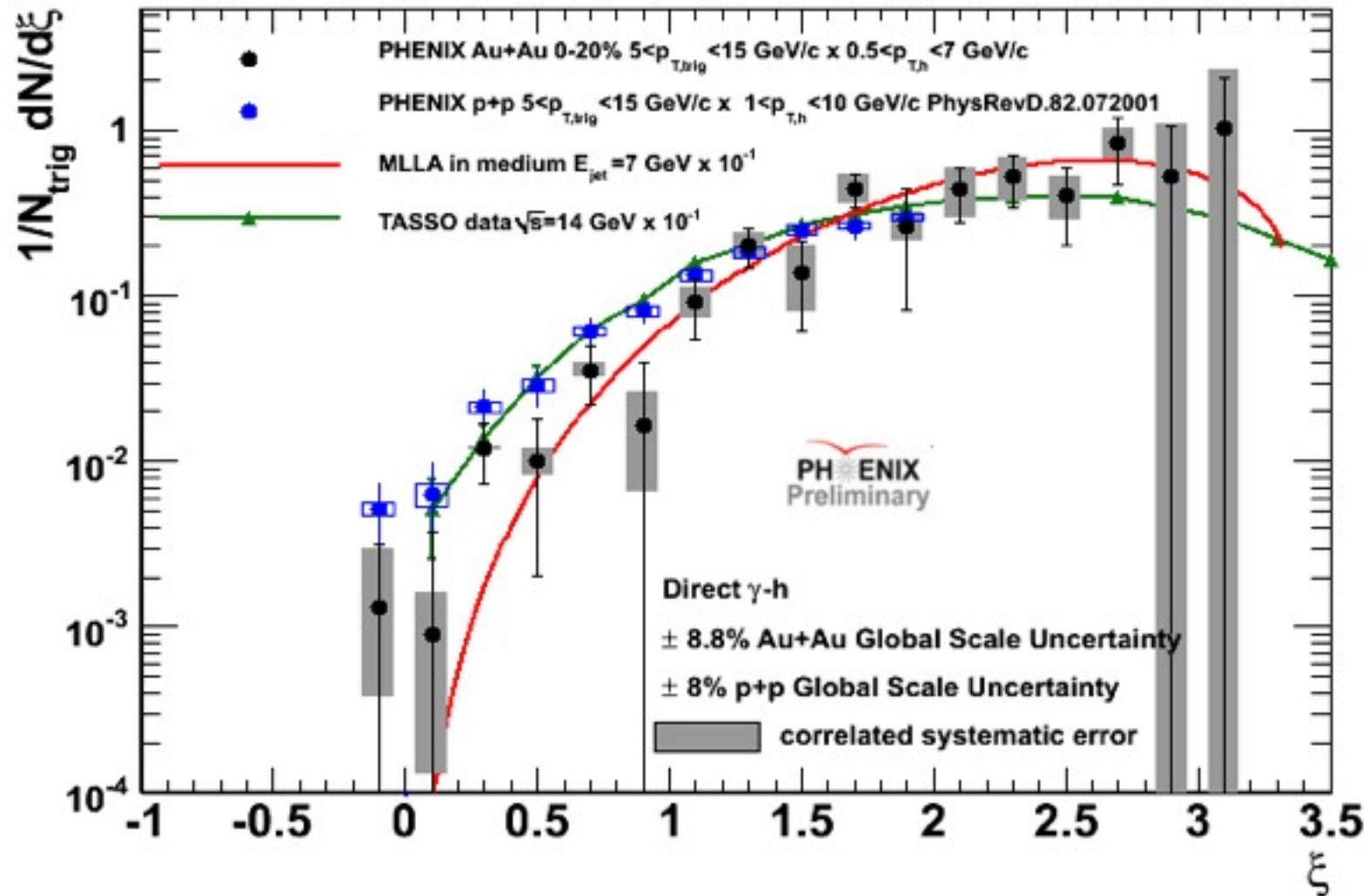


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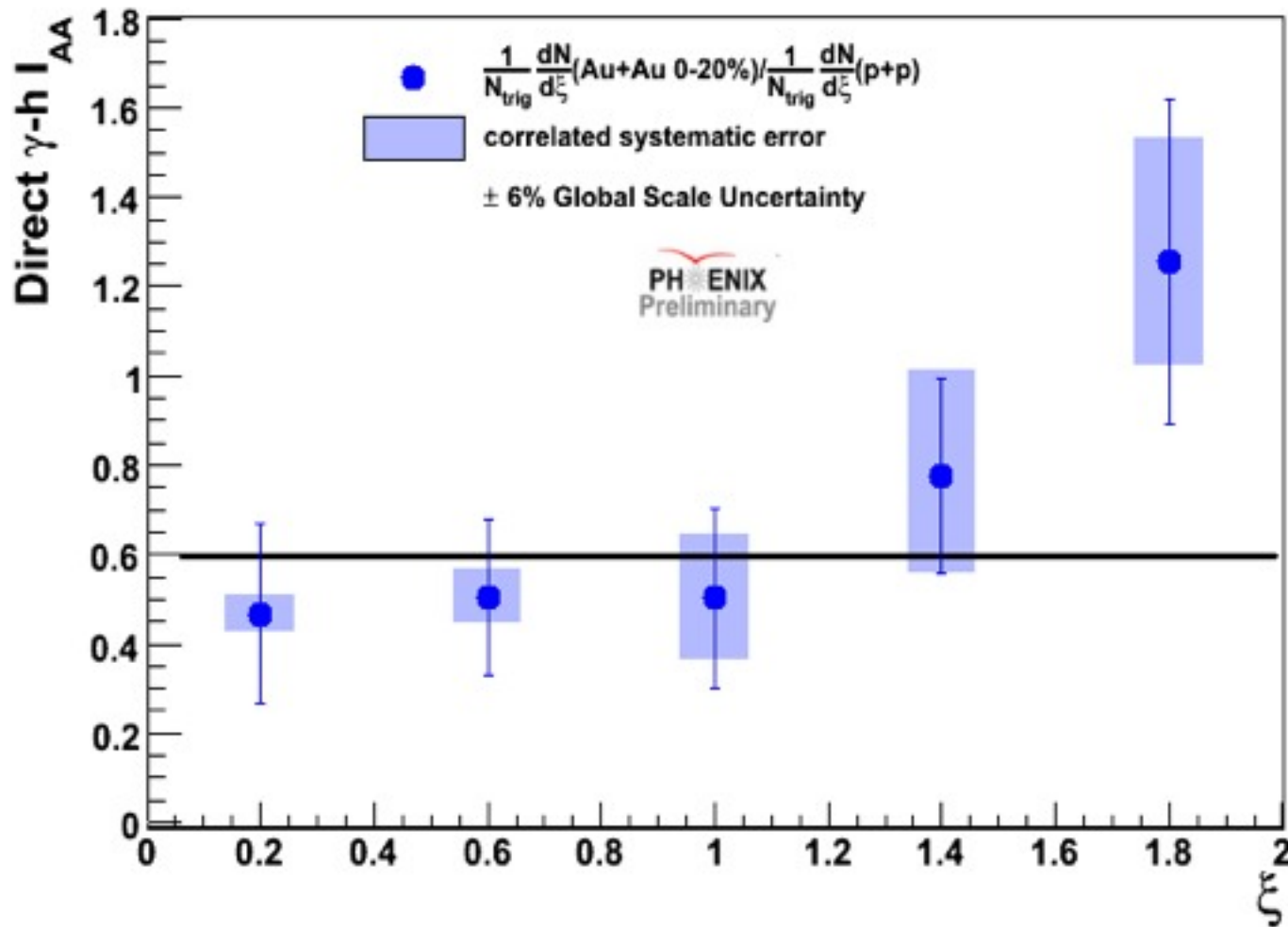
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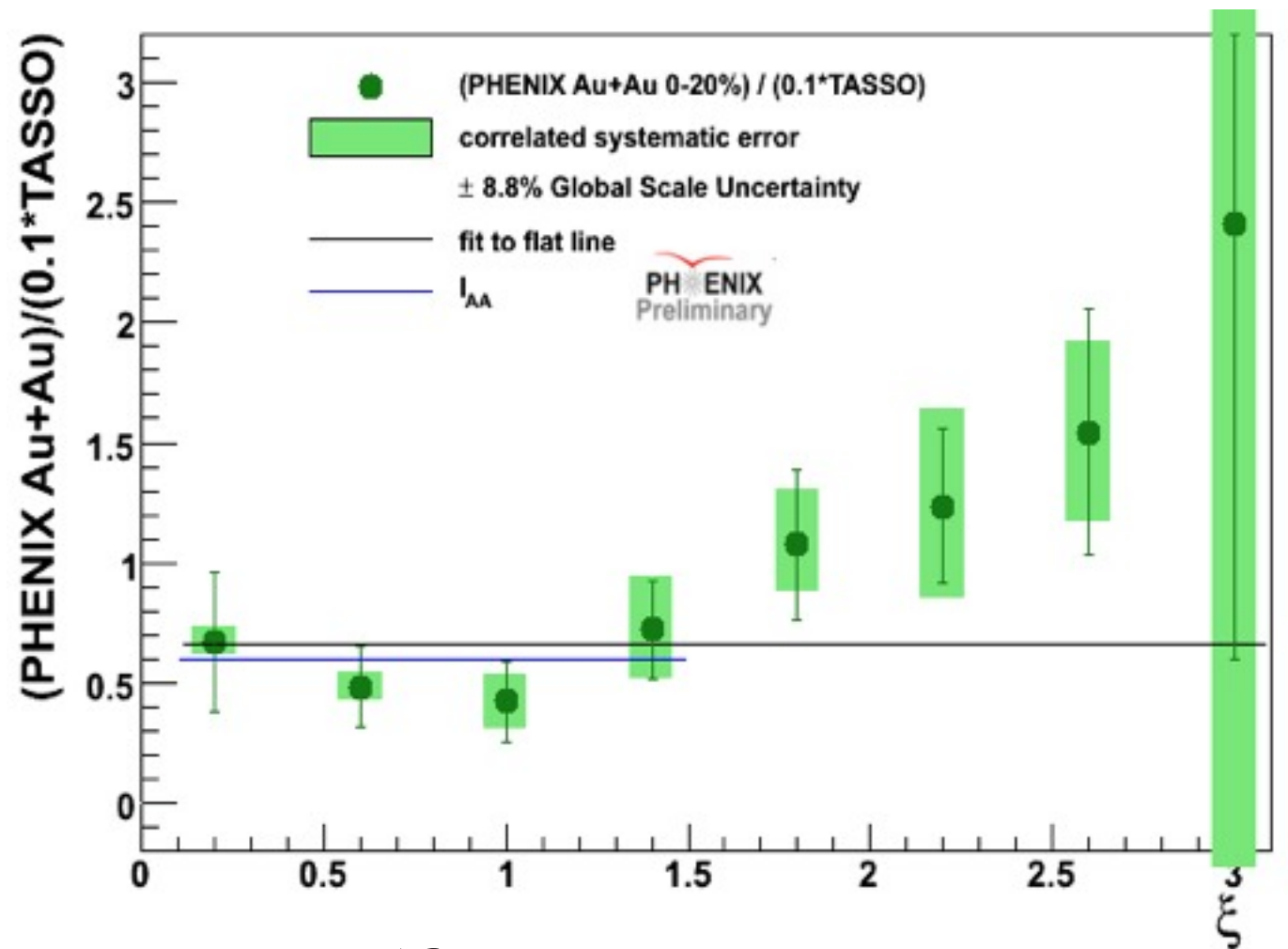
direct photon correlations



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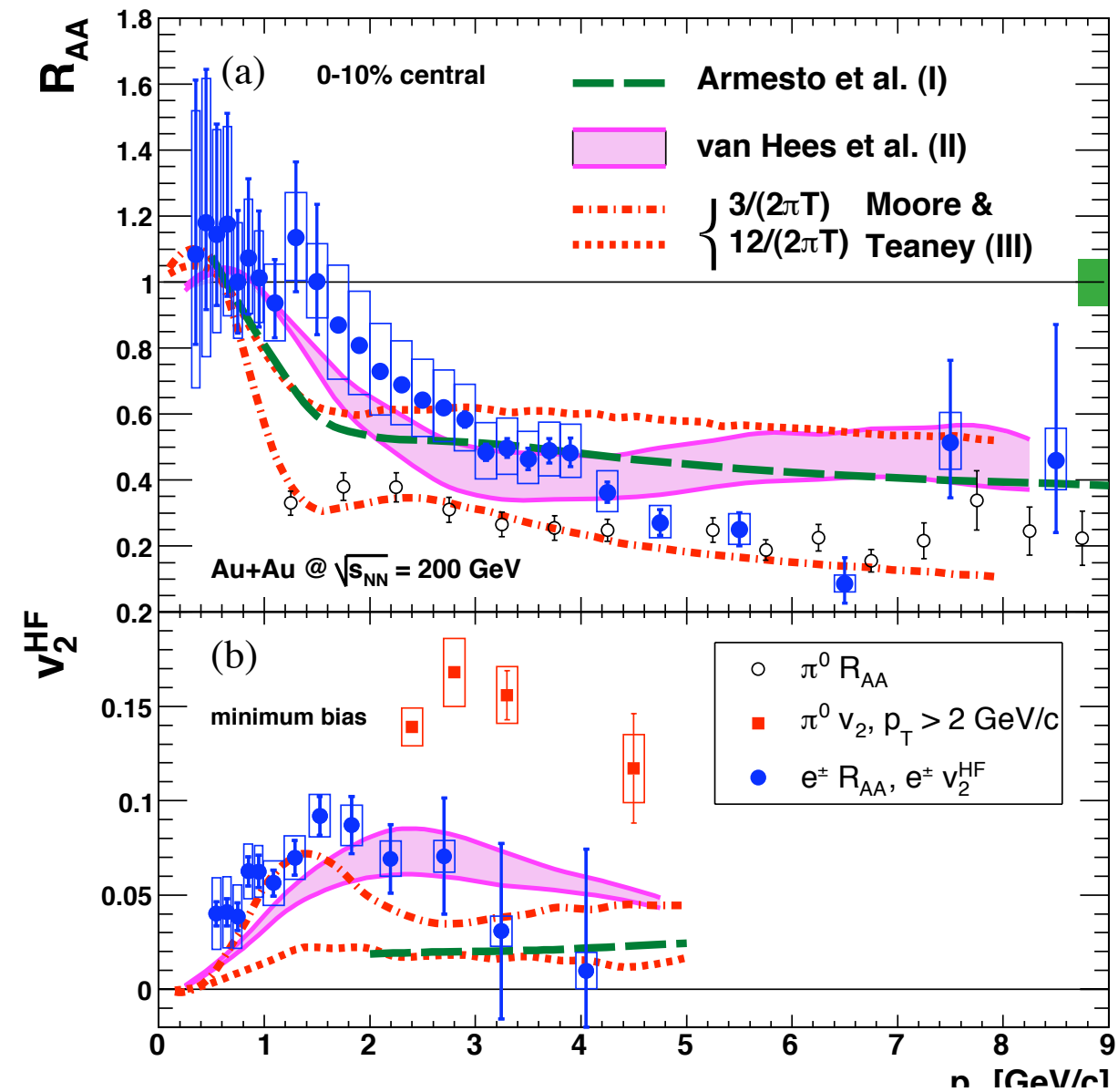
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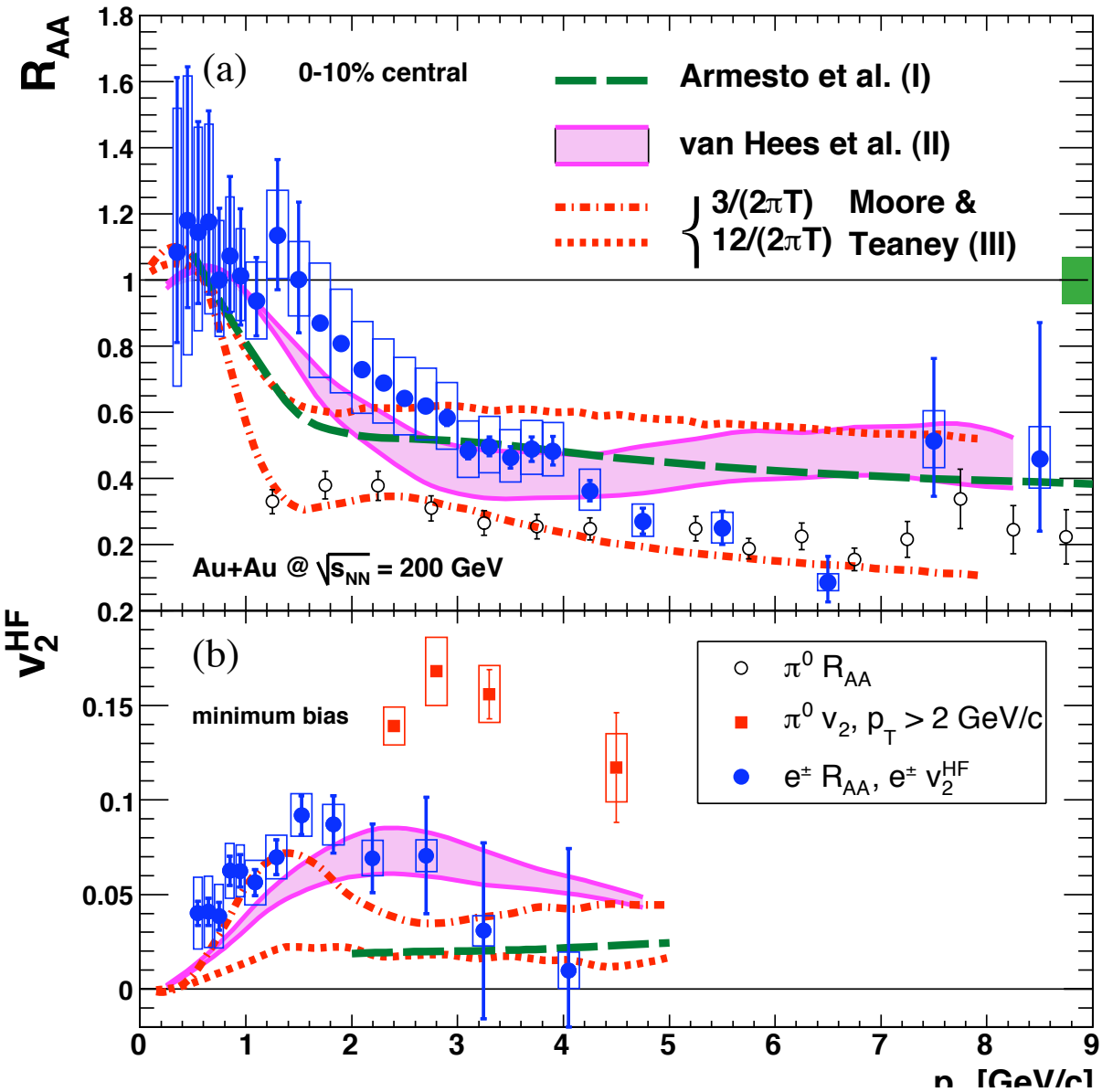
TASSO \rightarrow higher ξ

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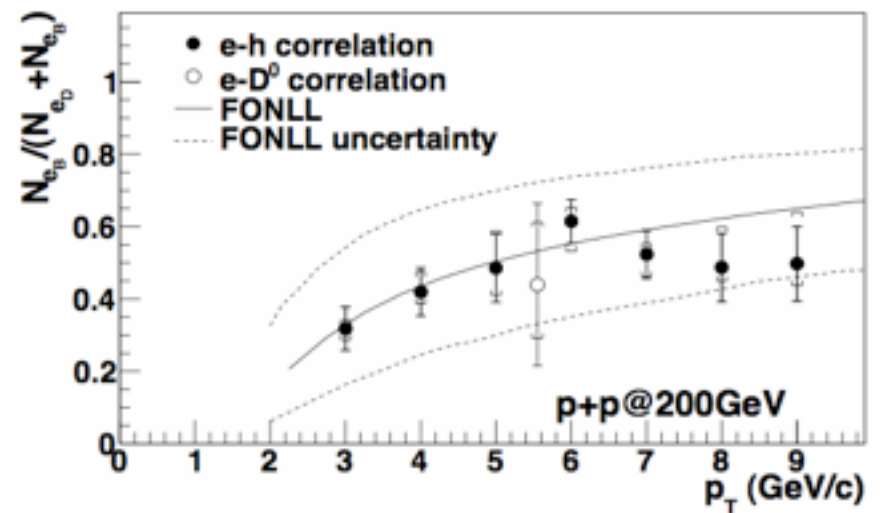
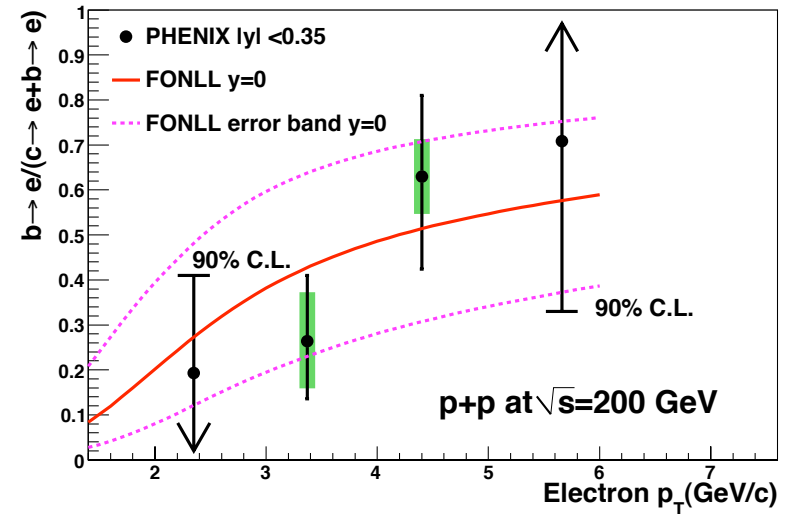


- collectivity and suppression
- not expected from radiative energy loss

charm vs. bottom

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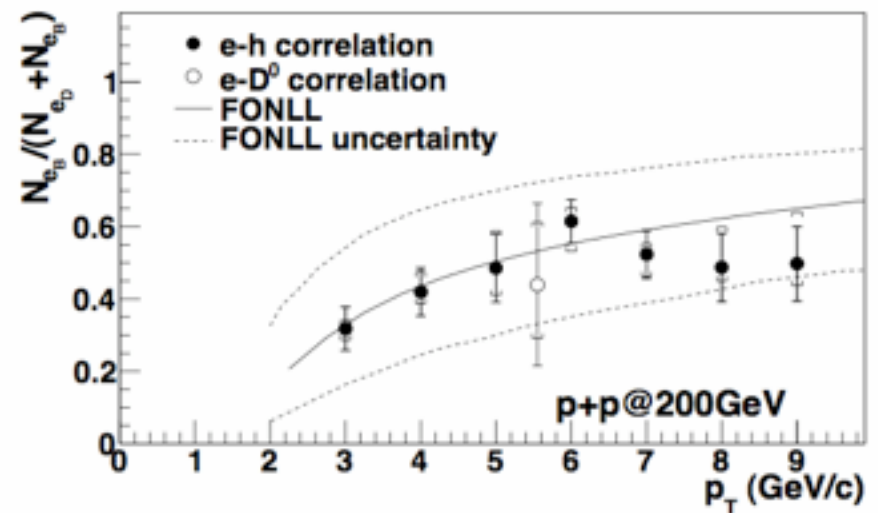
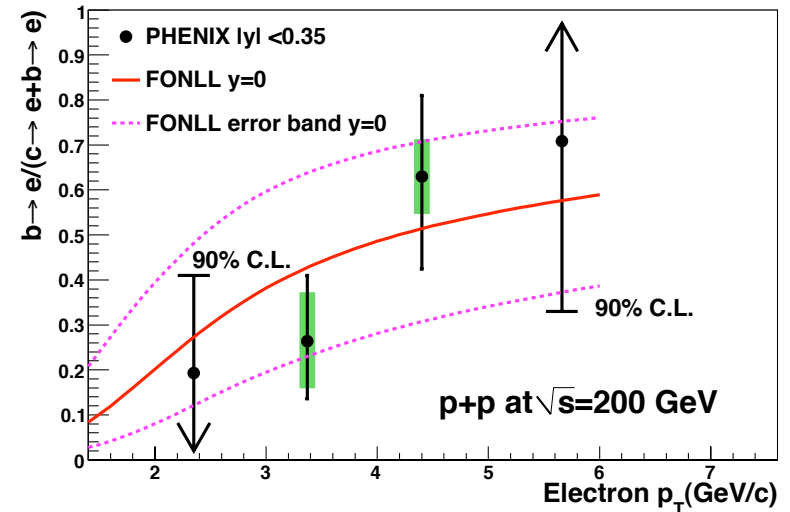
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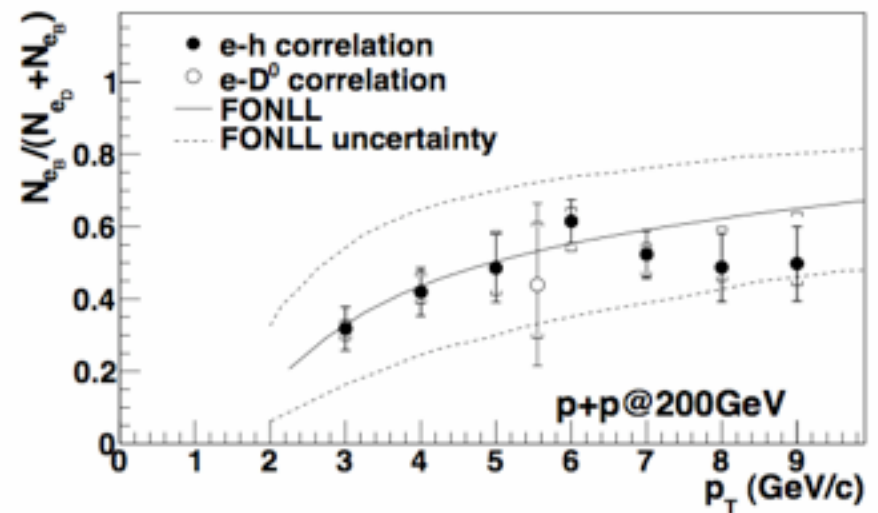
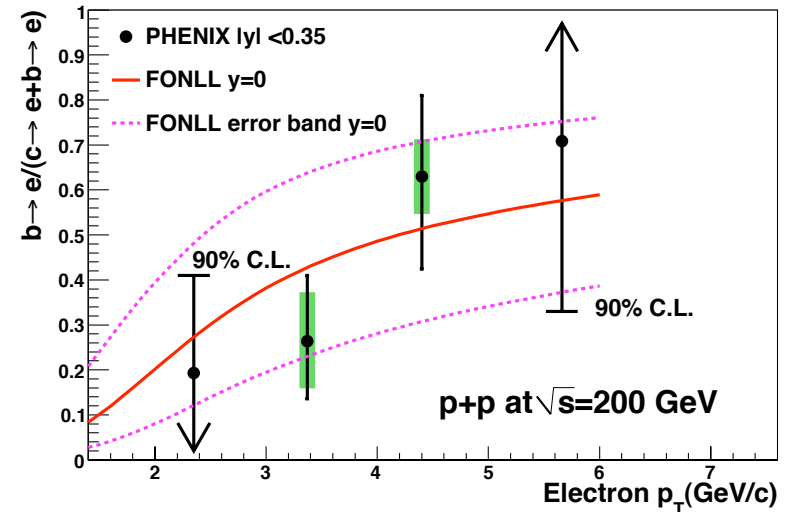


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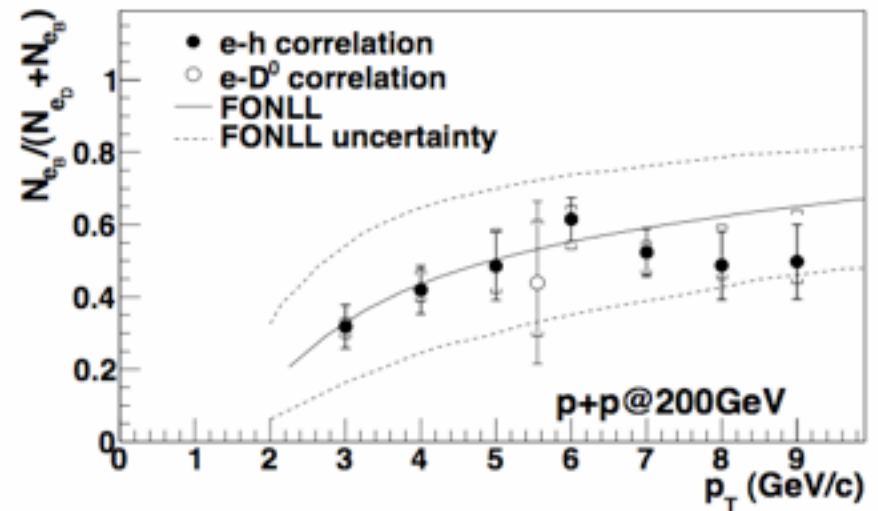
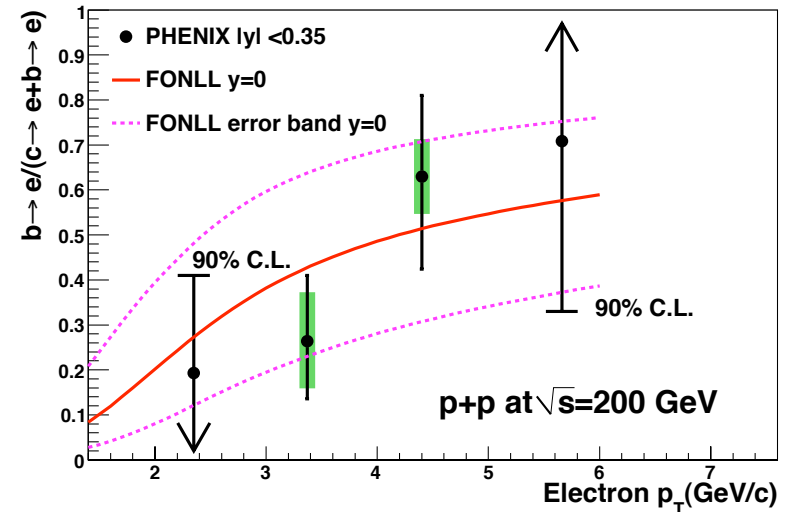
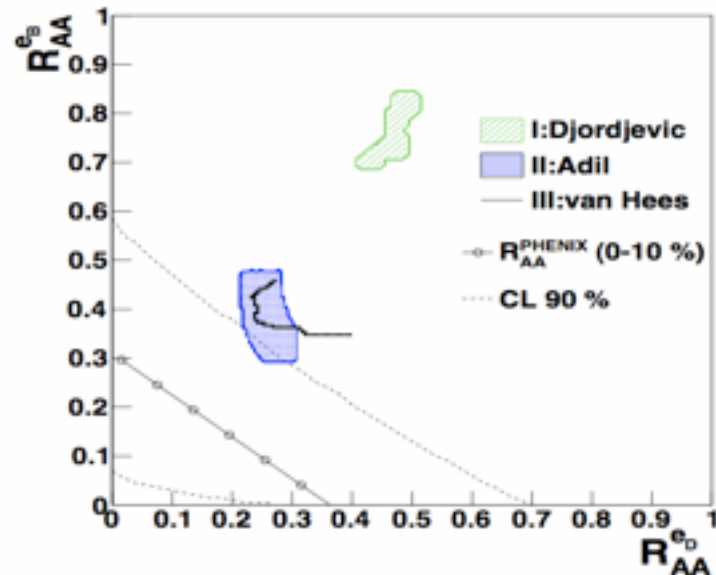


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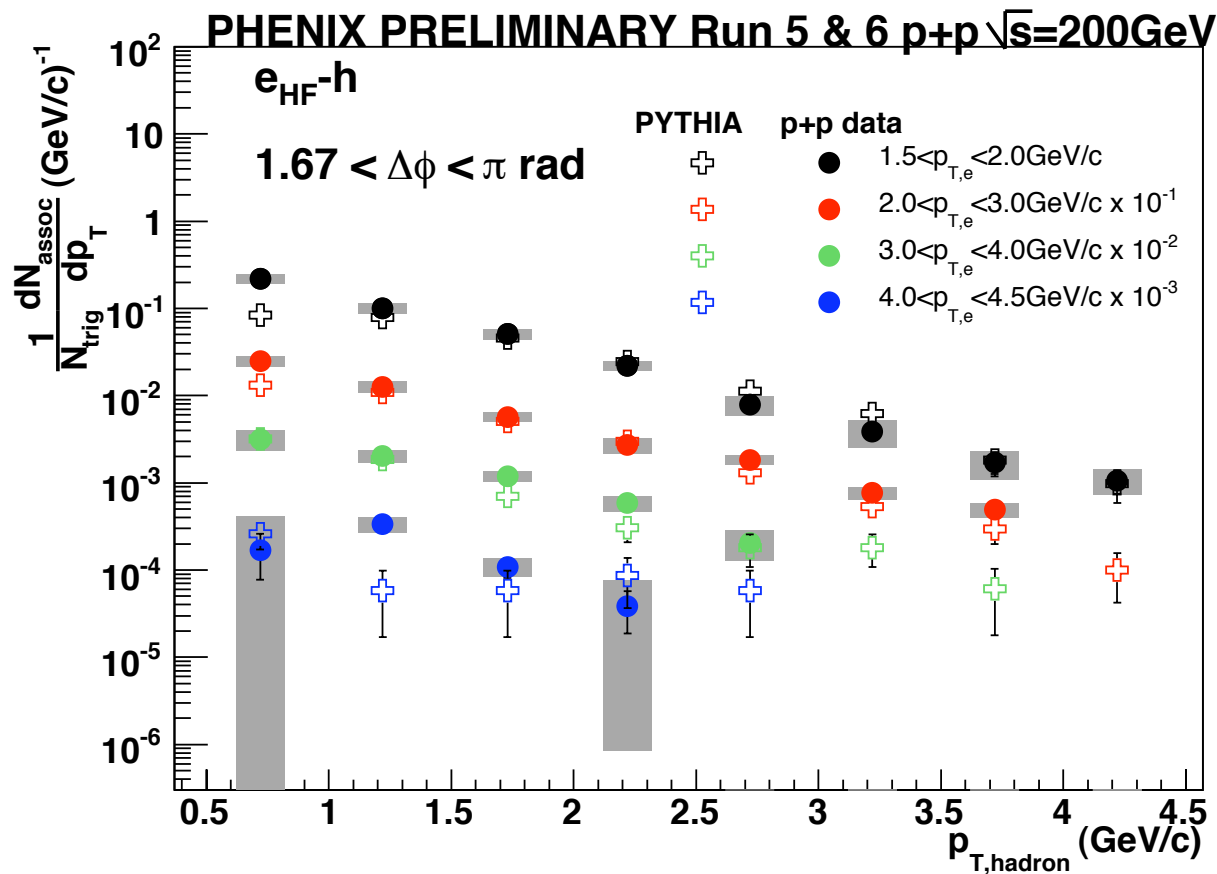


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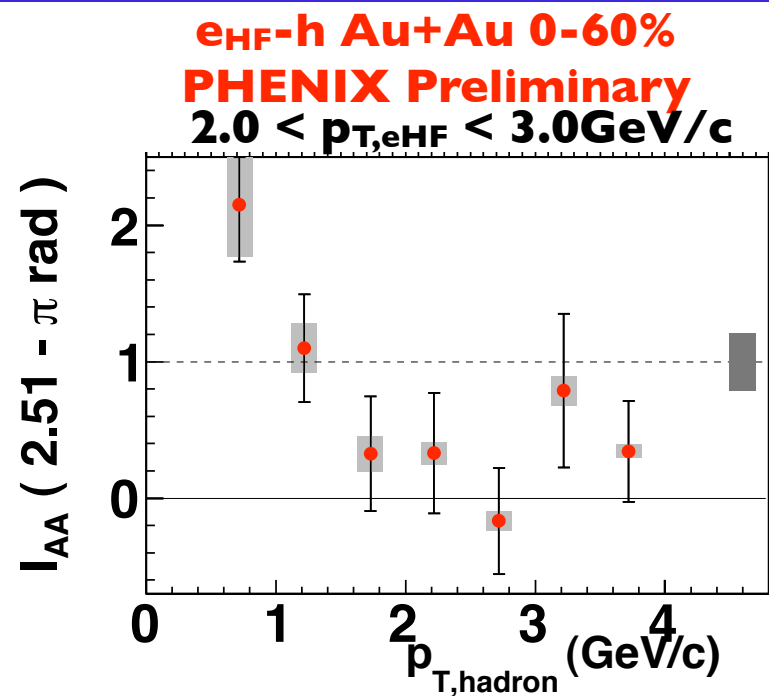
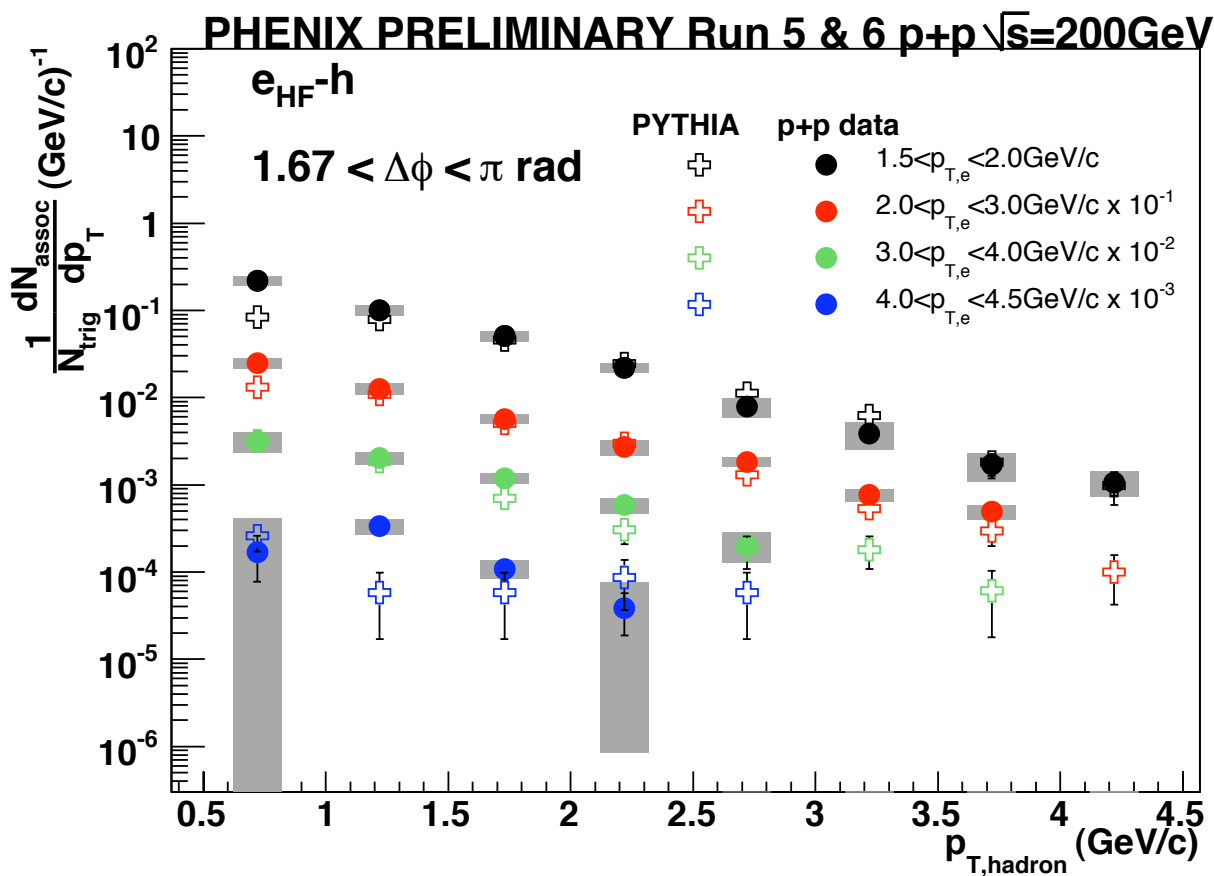
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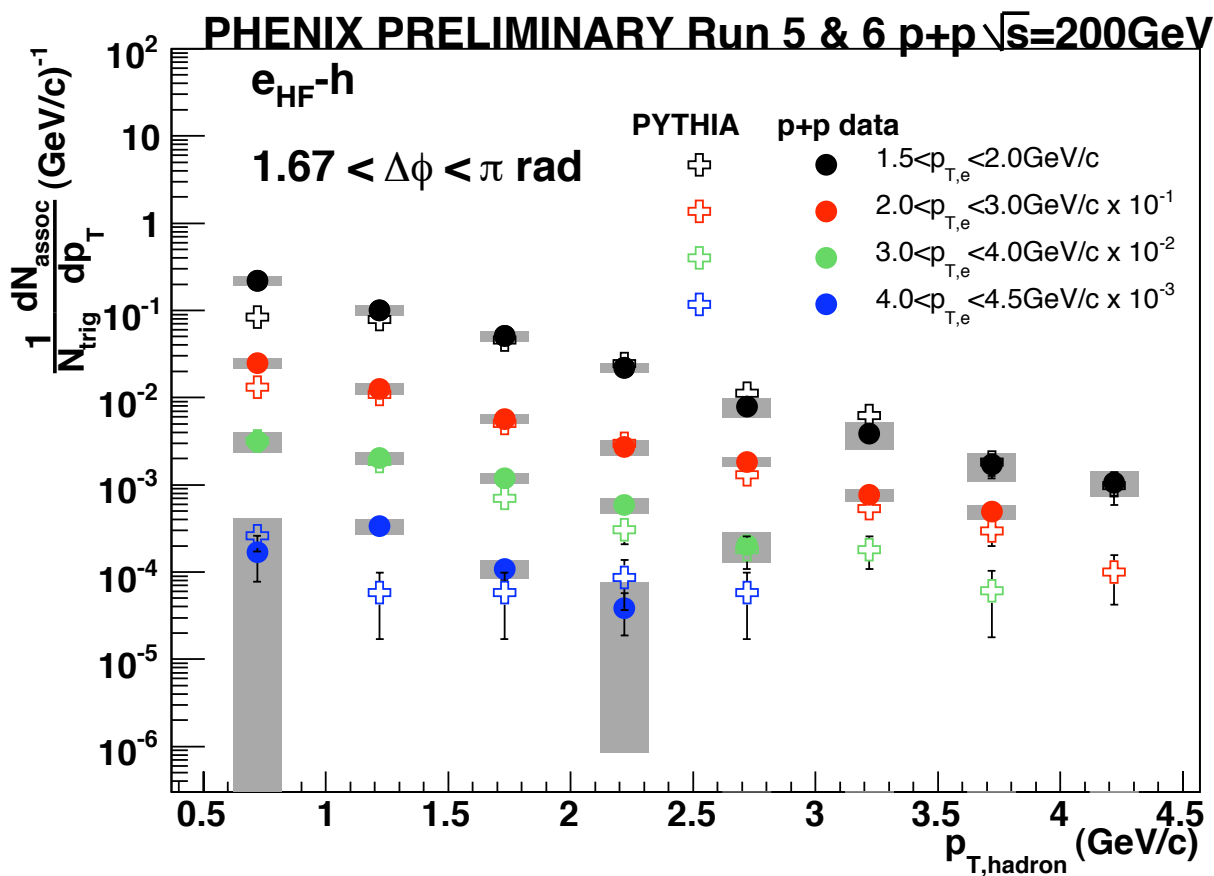
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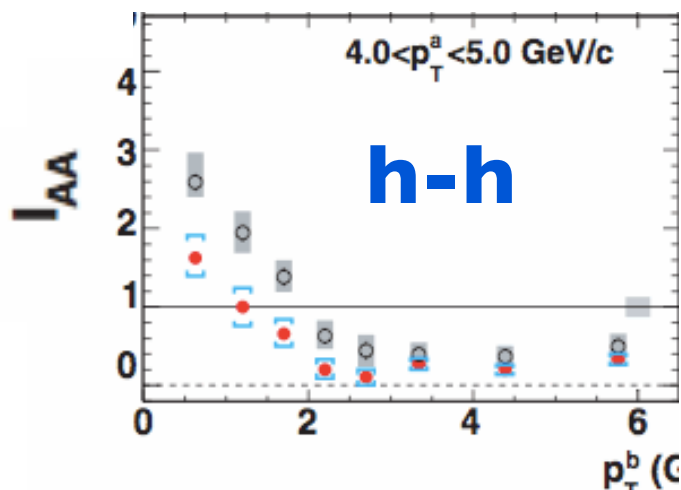
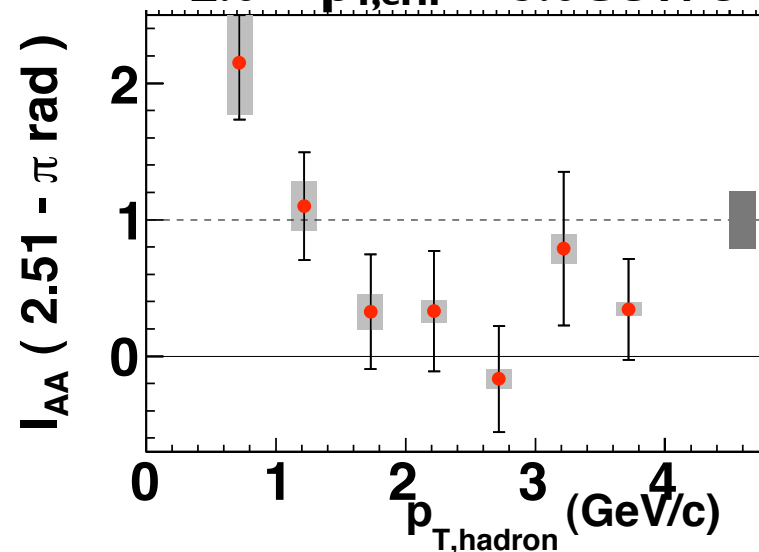


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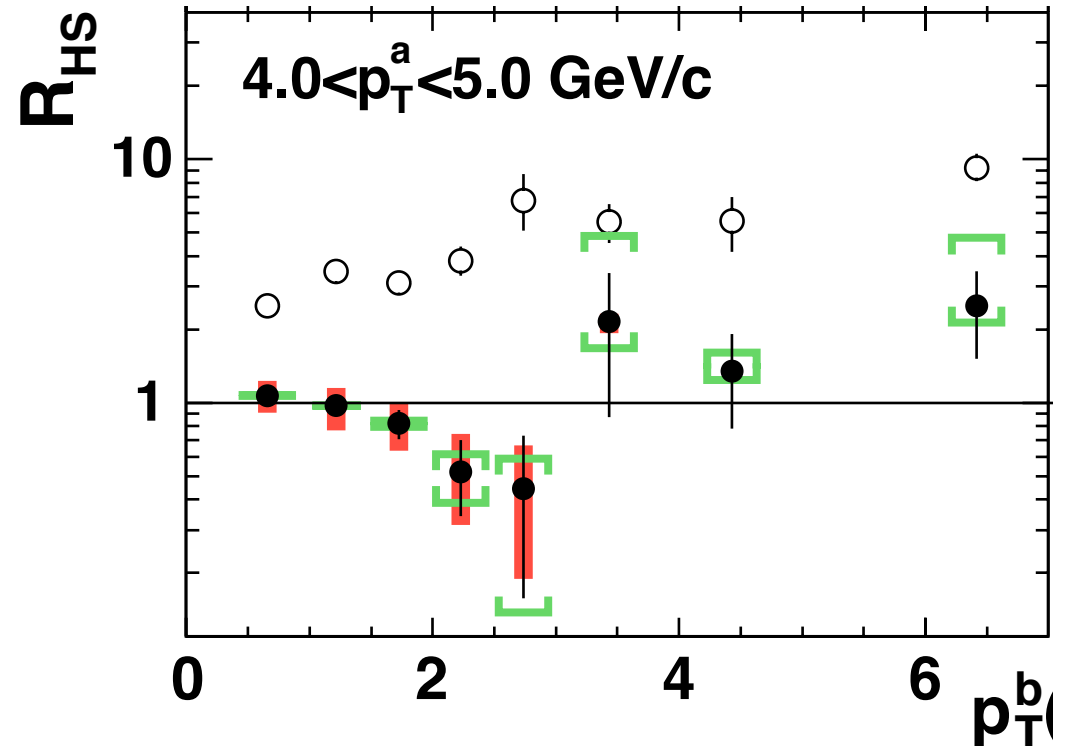
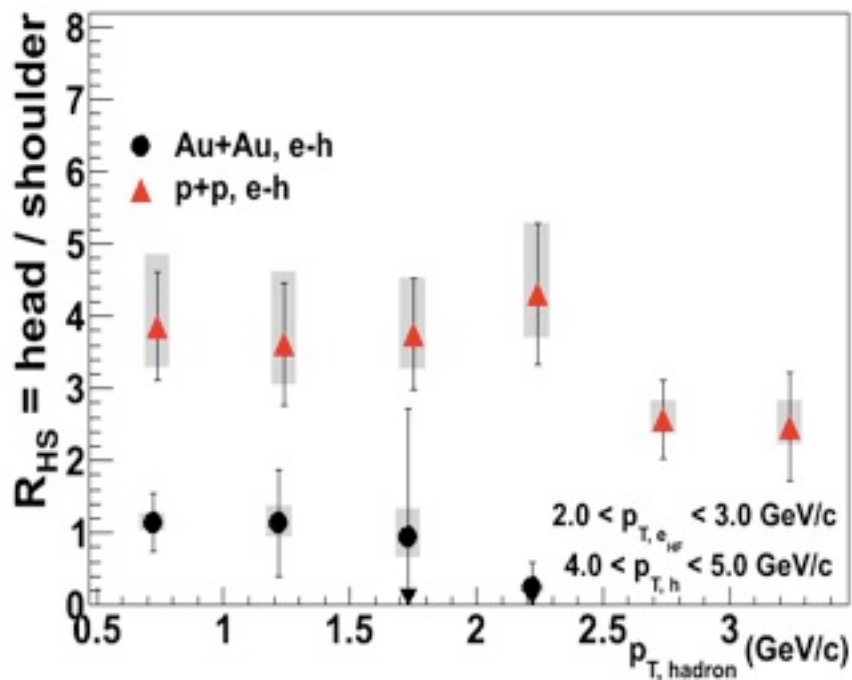


e_{HF}^- - h Au+Au 0-60%
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 $2.0 < p_{T,e\text{HF}} < 3.0 \text{ GeV/c}$



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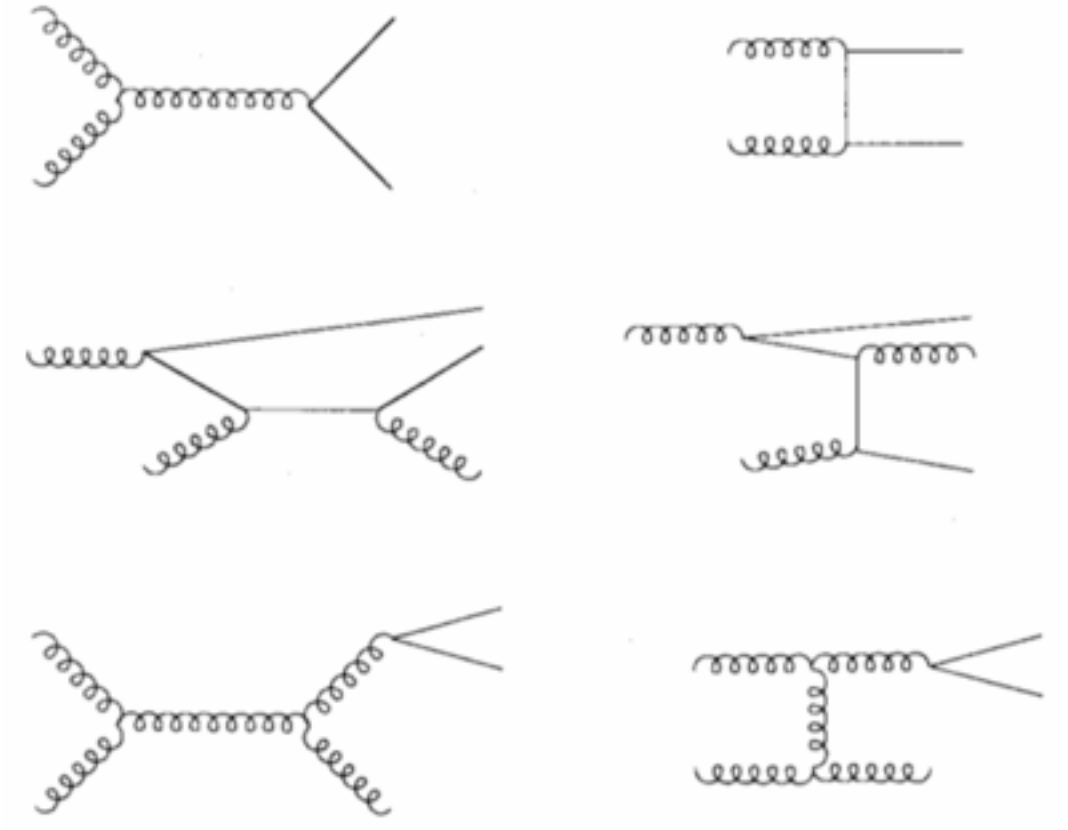
HF: away side shape



HF & light hadron triggered away side shapes both modified

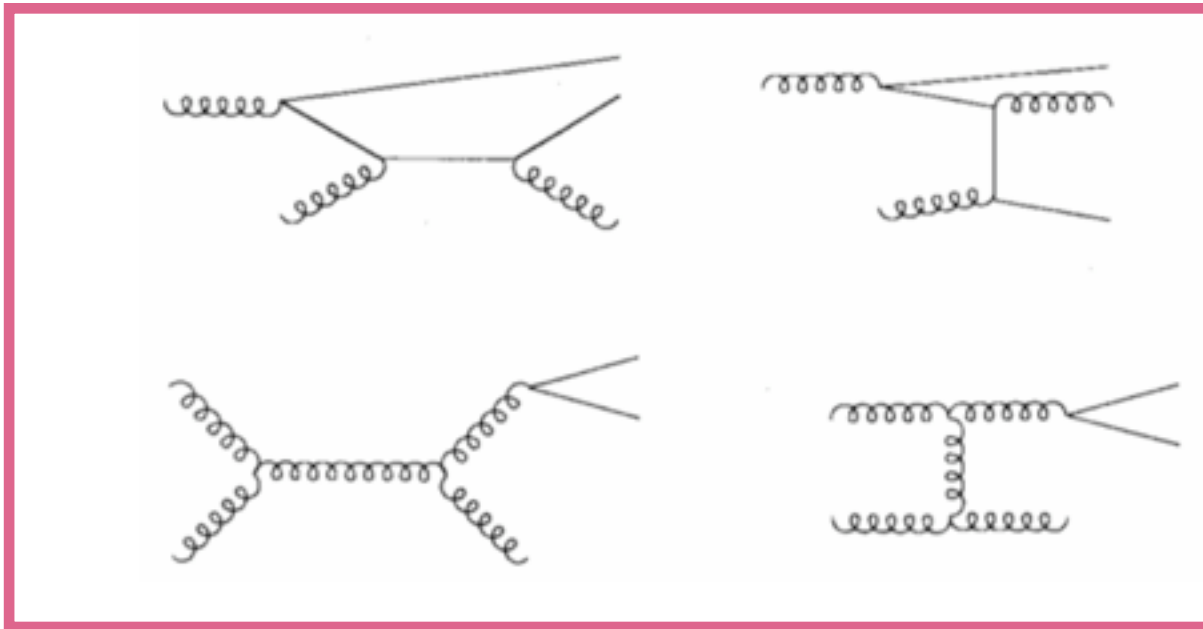
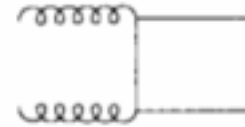
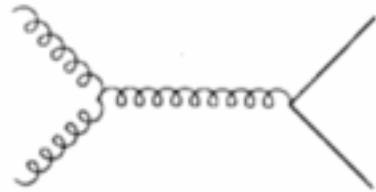
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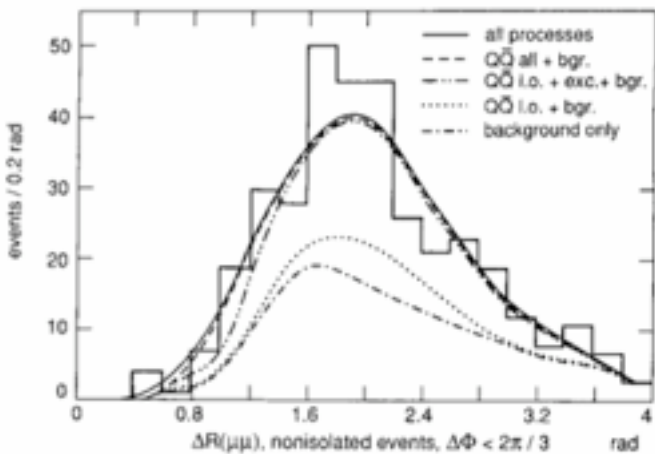
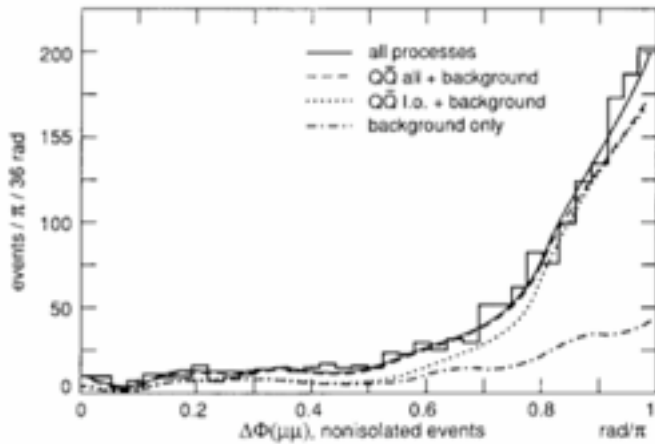
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sizable contributions from NLO effects

pp @ 630GeV



- UAI $\mu\mu$ correlations
- fit with ISAJET
- 20-35% “higher order”

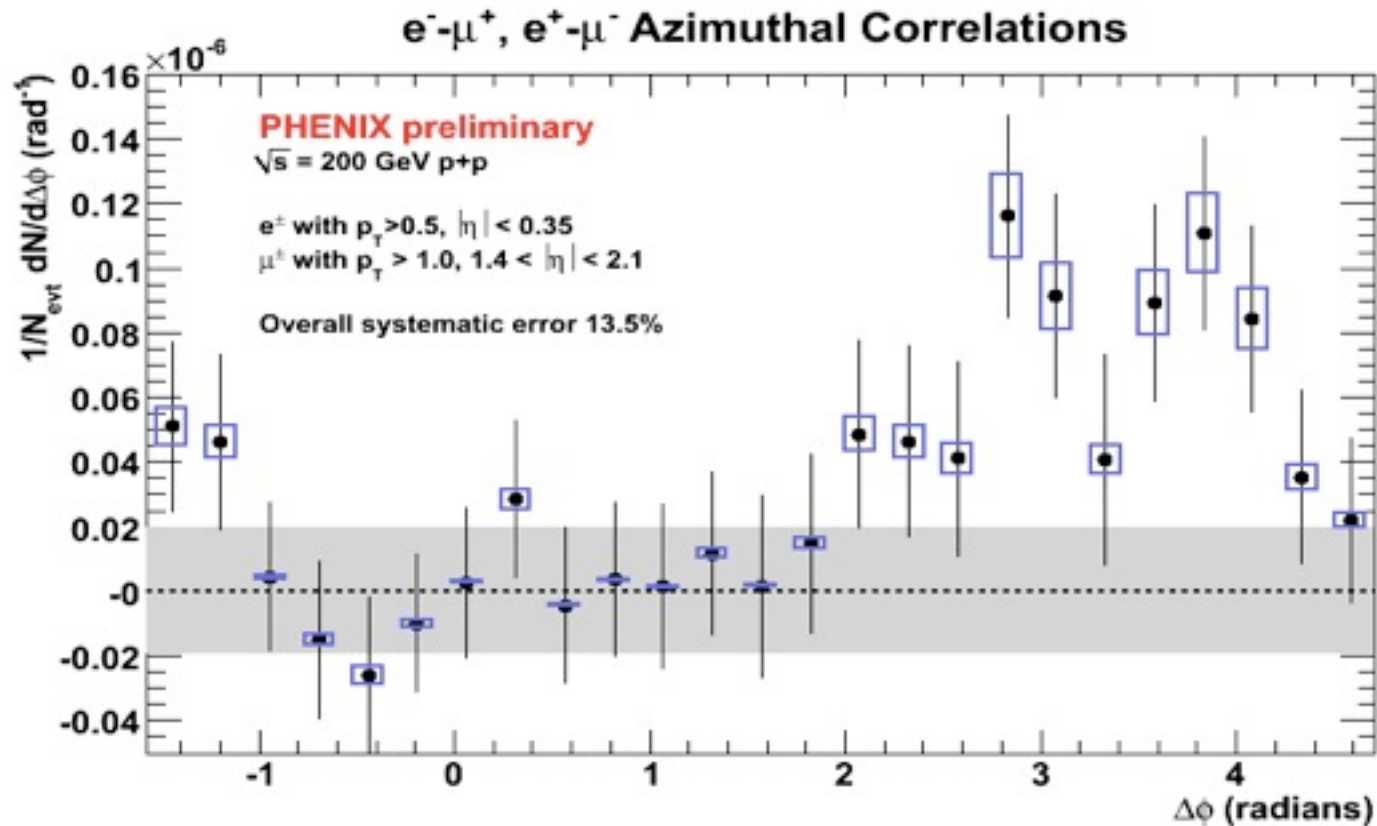
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All	$\gtrsim 6$	829 ± 58	26.2 ± 4.0
3–5	$\gtrsim 6$	402 ± 37	24.6 ± 8.5
5–7	$\gtrsim 8$	286 ± 23	31.2 ± 5.4
7–10	$\gtrsim 11$	103 ± 12	35.2 ± 5.1
10–20	$\gtrsim 15$	32 ± 6	21.3 ± 12.4

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e-e correlations at RHIC needed to quantify this!

e- μ correlations

- sensitive to correlated charm, but at forward/mid-rapidity

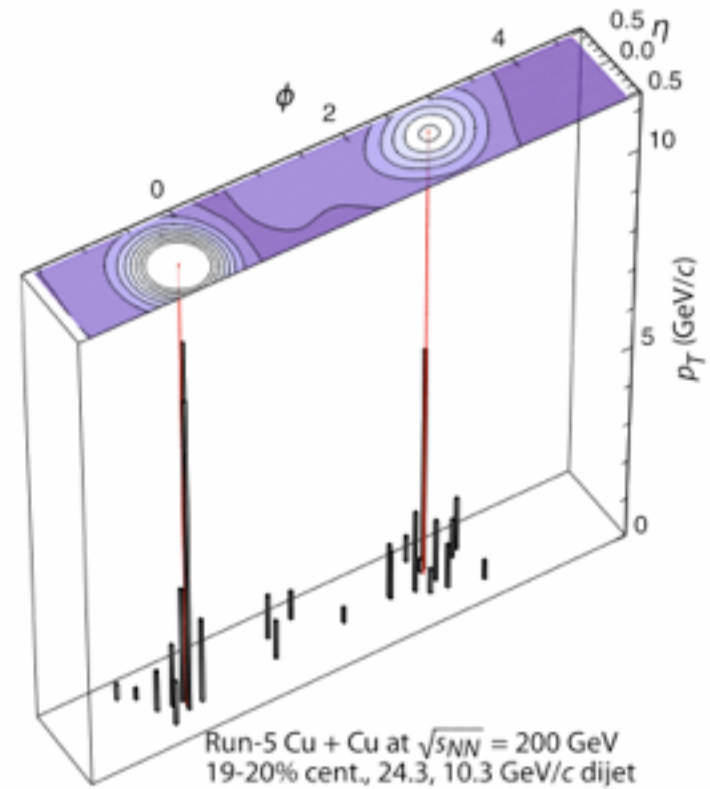
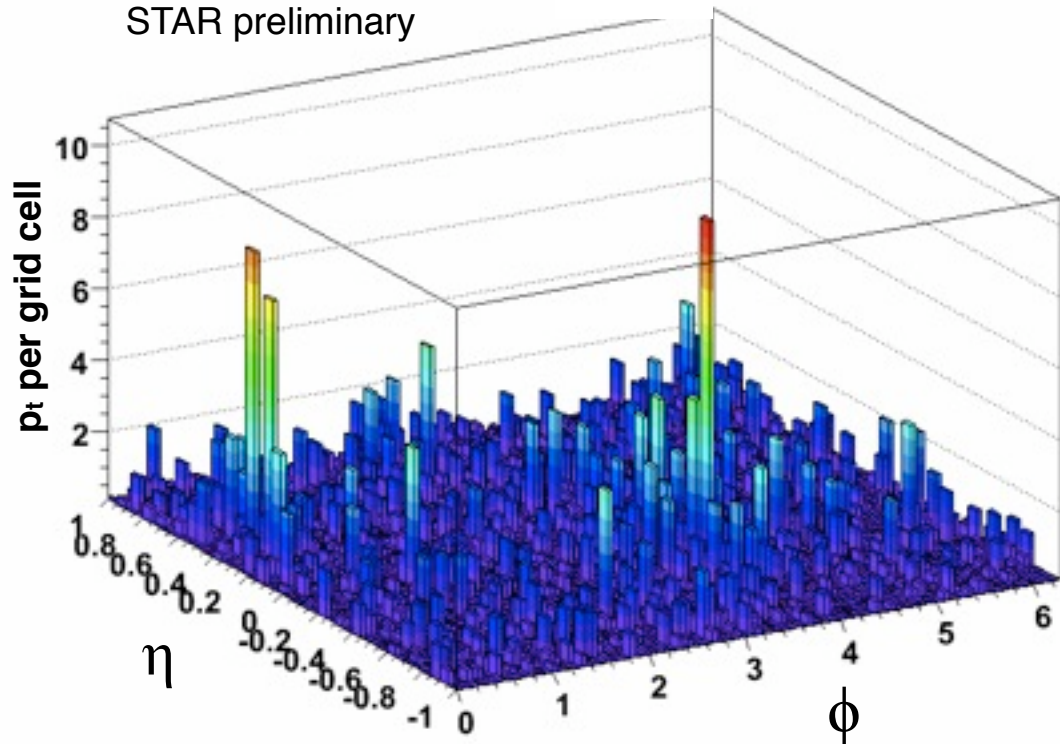


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jets

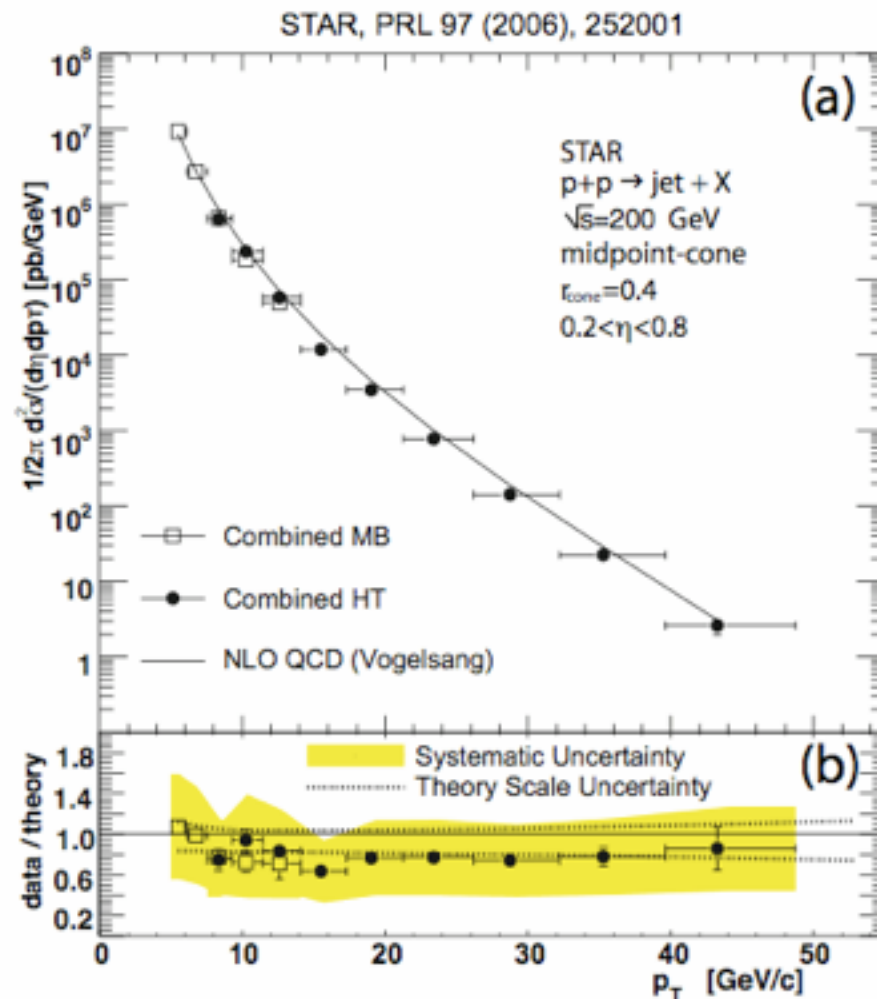
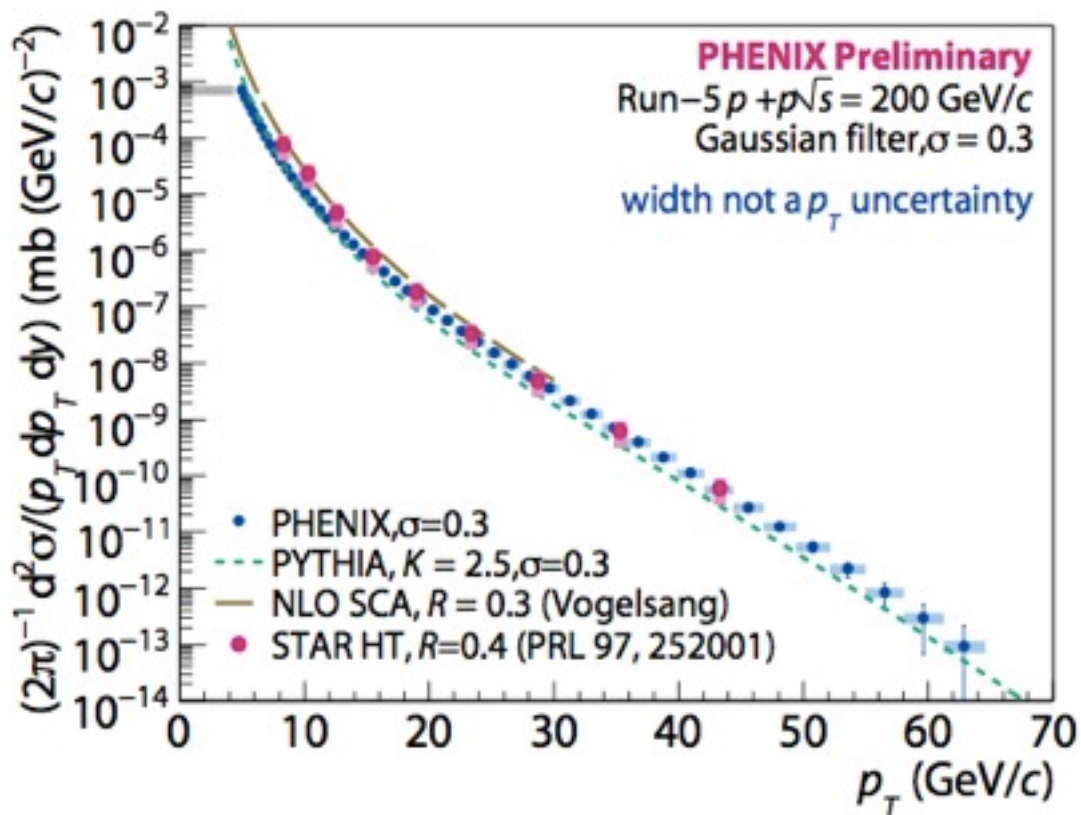
Au+Au 0-20% ~ 21 GeV

STAR preliminary

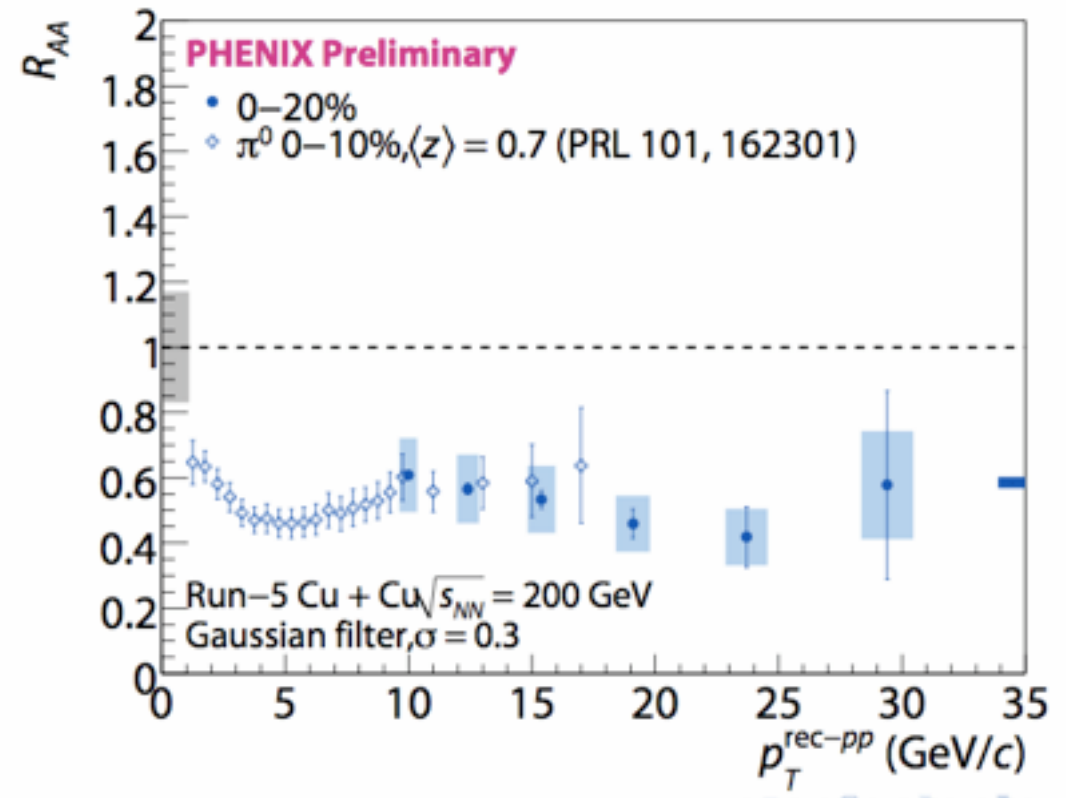


great recent progress!

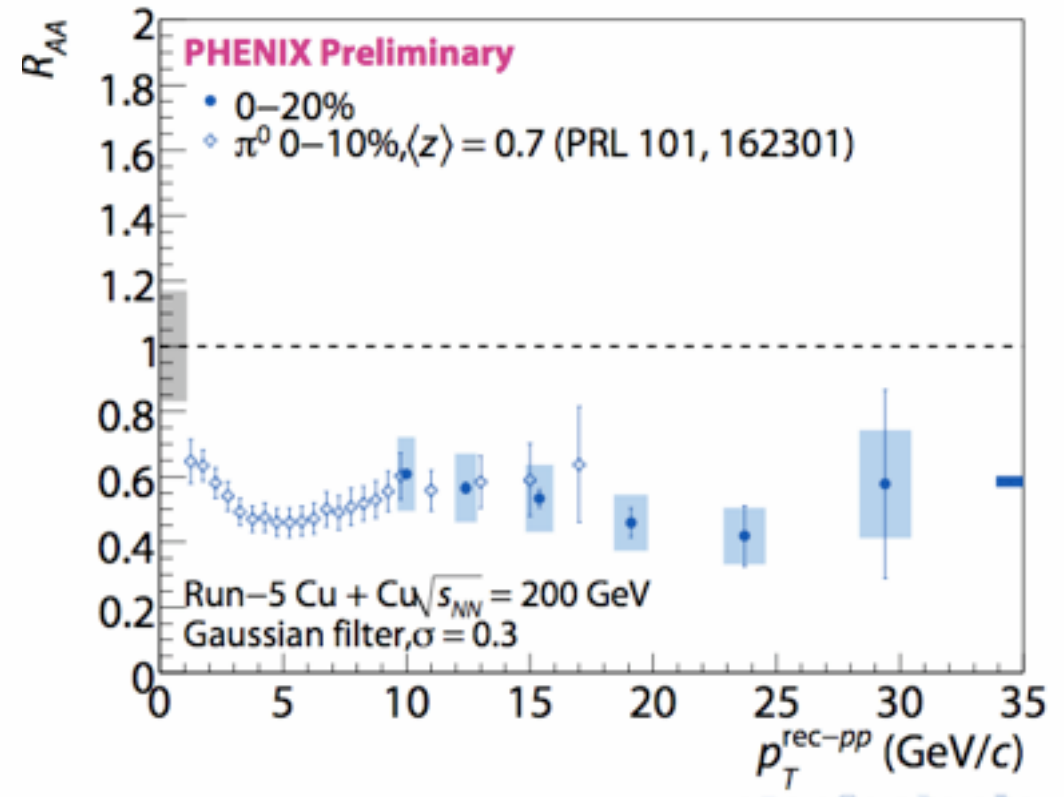
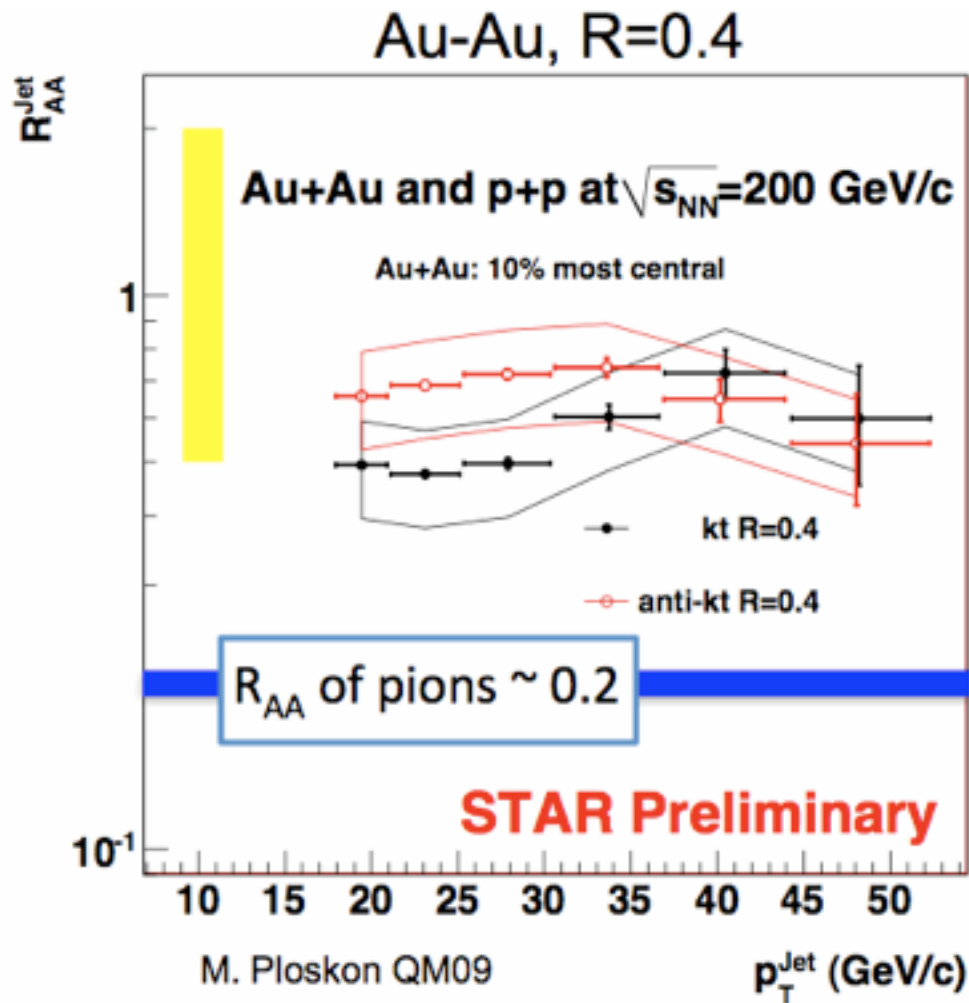
p+p: well understood



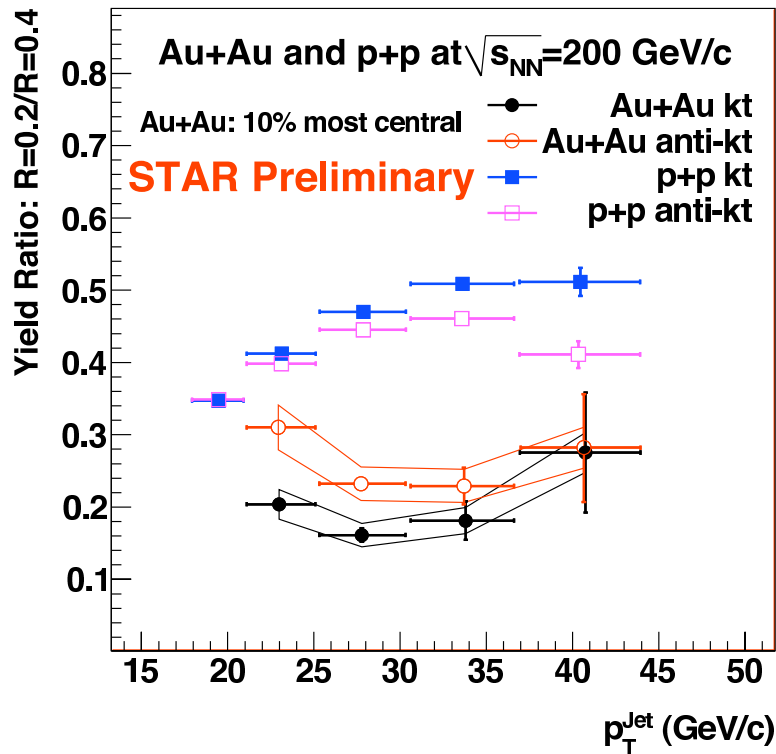
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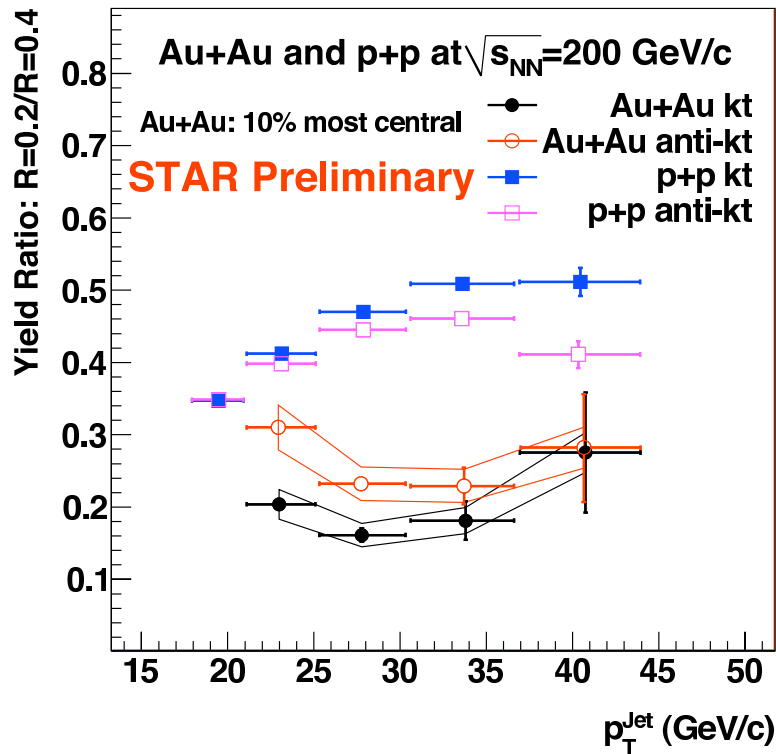


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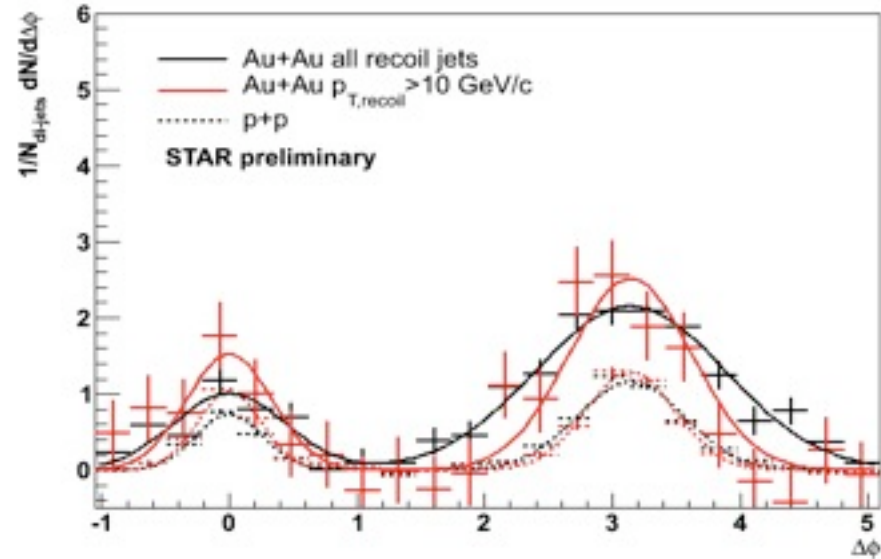
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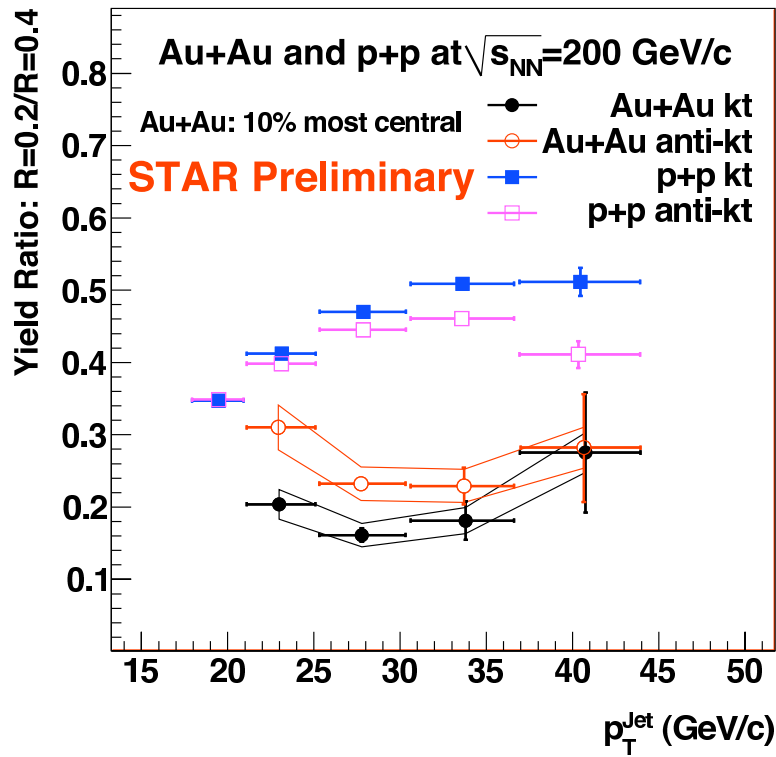
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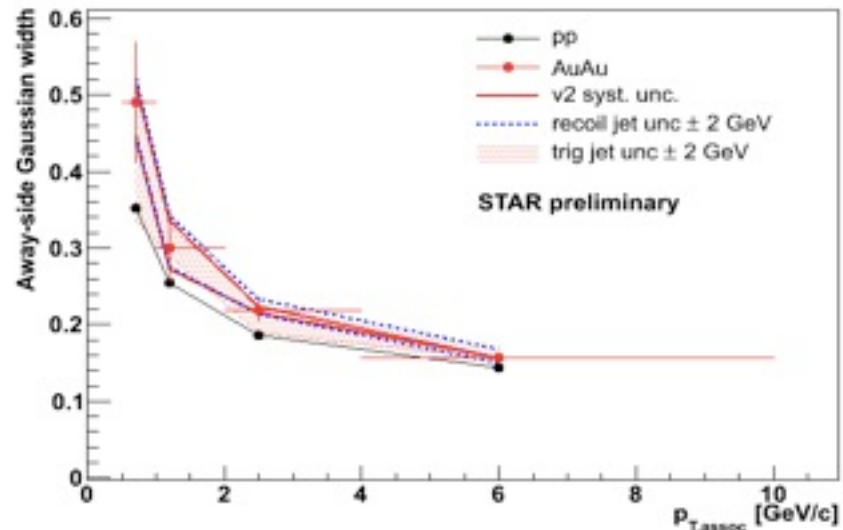
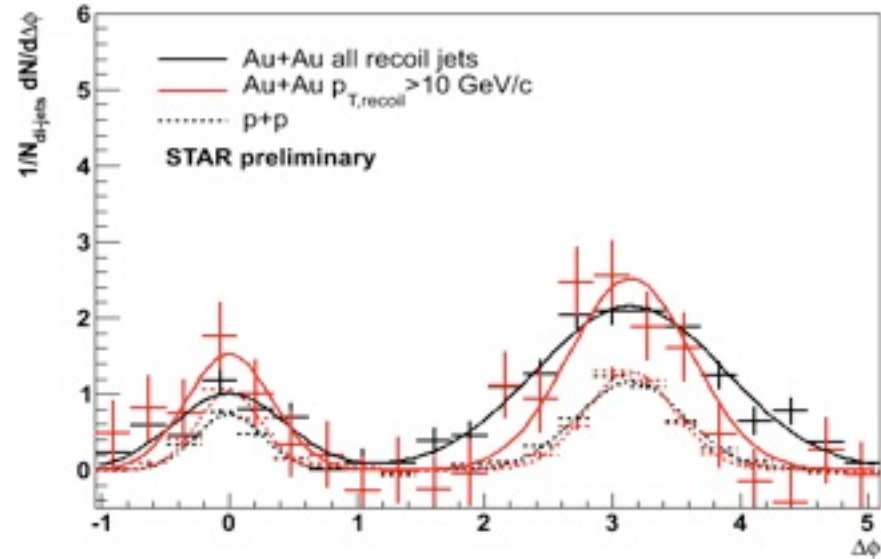
broadening on both near and away sides...

broadening



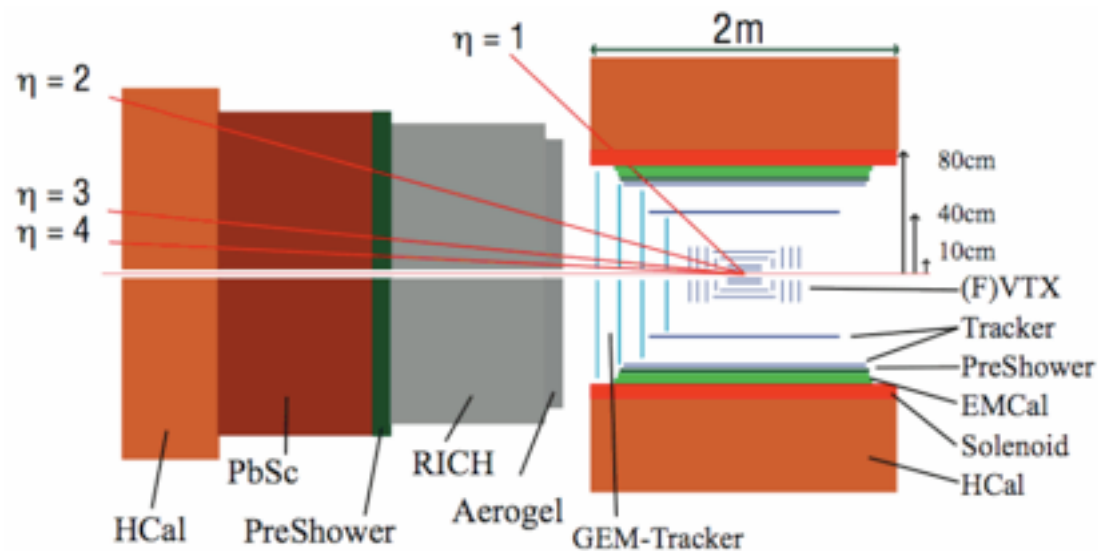
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the future

- jets offer huge rate advantages and a reduction of biases from spectra & correlations
- however need a real jet detector for RHIC
- high rate, hadronic calorimetry, heavy flavor tagging, large acceptance
- complementary to LHC



Conclusions

- theoretical understanding of π^0 results still elusive
- strong path length dependence in the data
- reaction plane dependent and heavy quark results suggestive of AdS/CFT type scenarios
- strong L dependence & strong HF energy loss
- softening and broadening of fragmentation observed
- challenges to both theory and experiment
 - theory: detailed modeling of medium & geometry
 - experiment: sensitive measurements \rightarrow reaction plane dependences, heavy flavor, jets



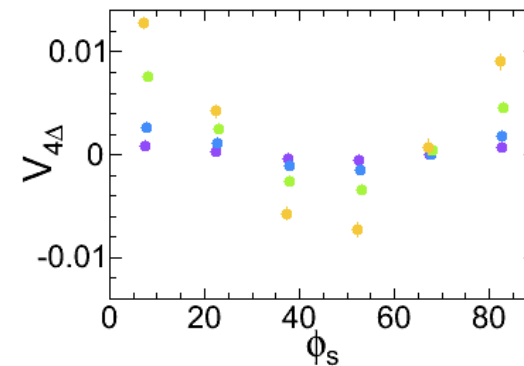
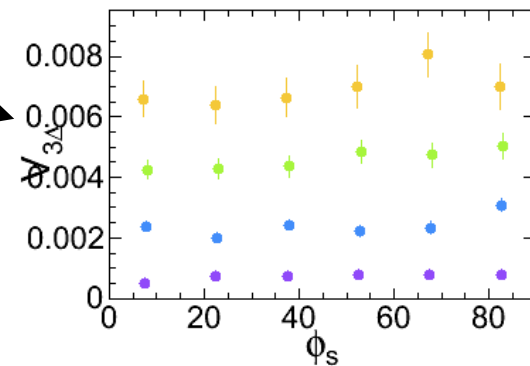
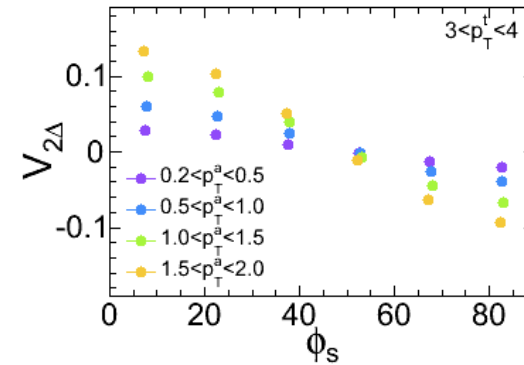
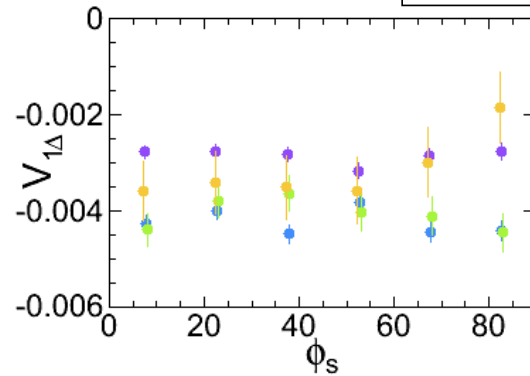
Fourier Components of STAR ϕ_s data

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$|\Delta\eta| > 0.7$

Data from STAR
arXiv:1010.0690

v_3^2 is approximately
constant vs ϕ_s \rightarrow



By definition, Fourier coefficients v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4
can be calculated for STAR data

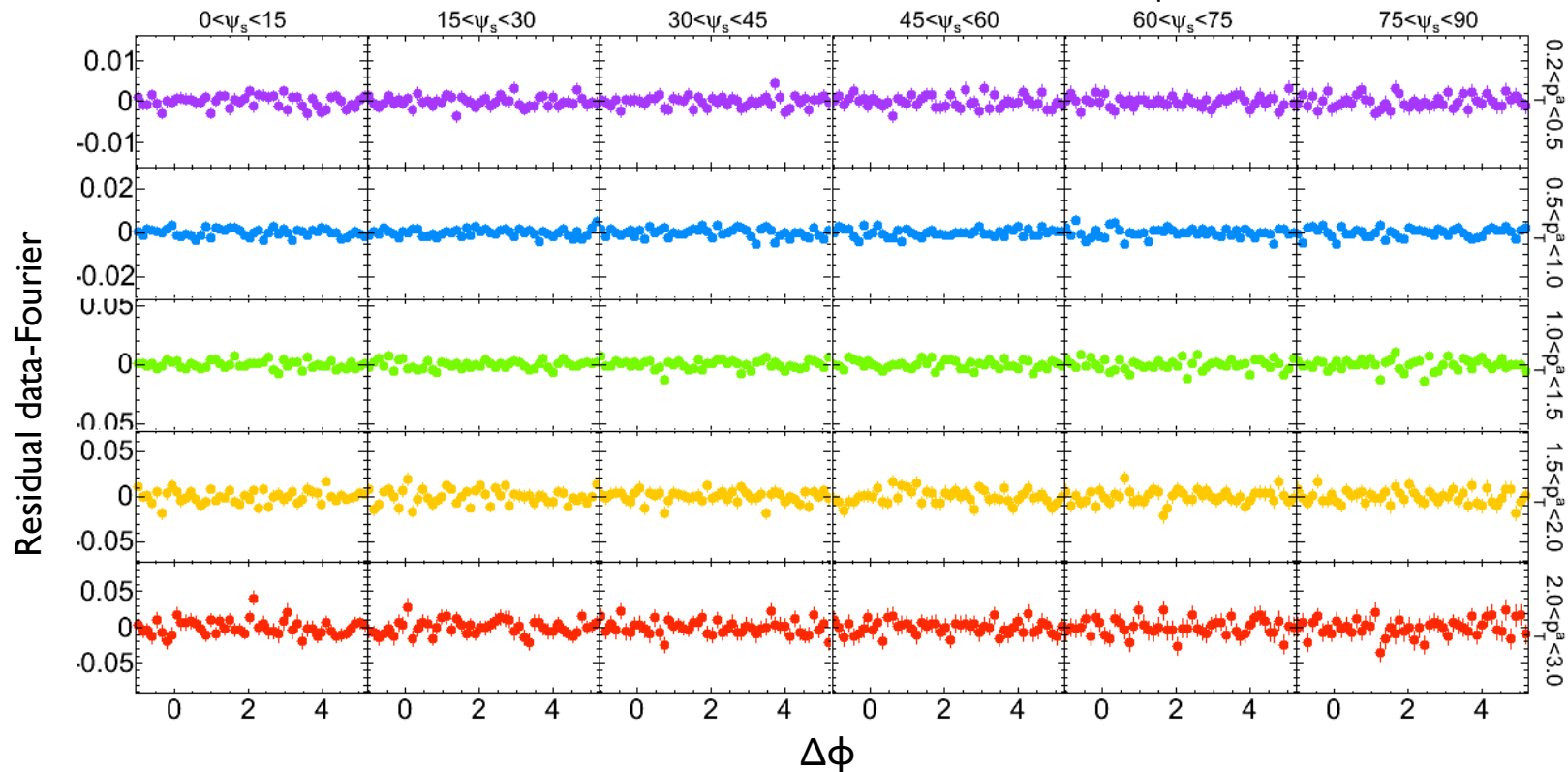


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Residuals after subtraction of first 4 Fourier components

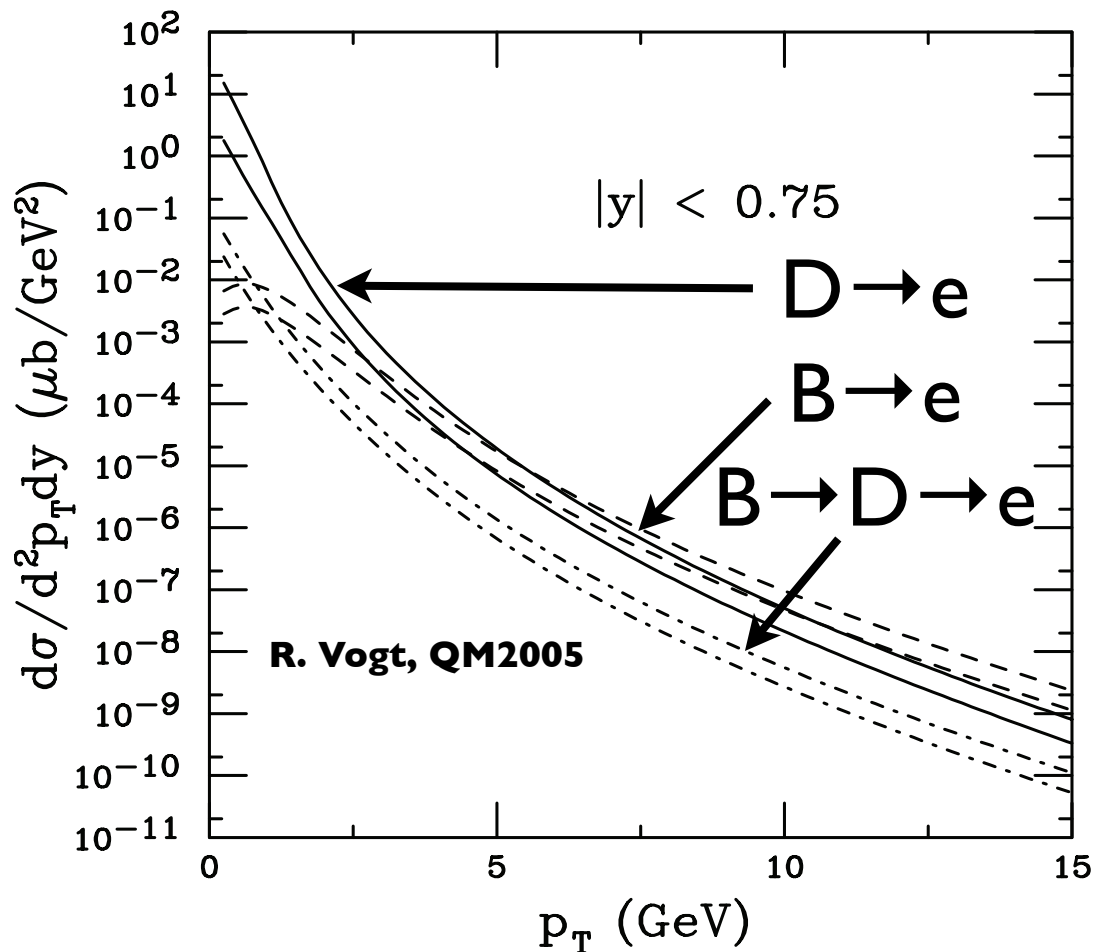
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Fourier coefficients v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4 exhaust information content of C.F.'s vs ϕ_s
 All four v_N components are result from hydro flow - magnitude?
 What is the more natural basis to begin physics discussion?

charm & bottom: theory

Single electrons from heavy flavor



bands show theoretical uncertainty (FONLL) in components

knowledge of relative c/b contributions crucial for understanding HF modifications in Au+Au collisions

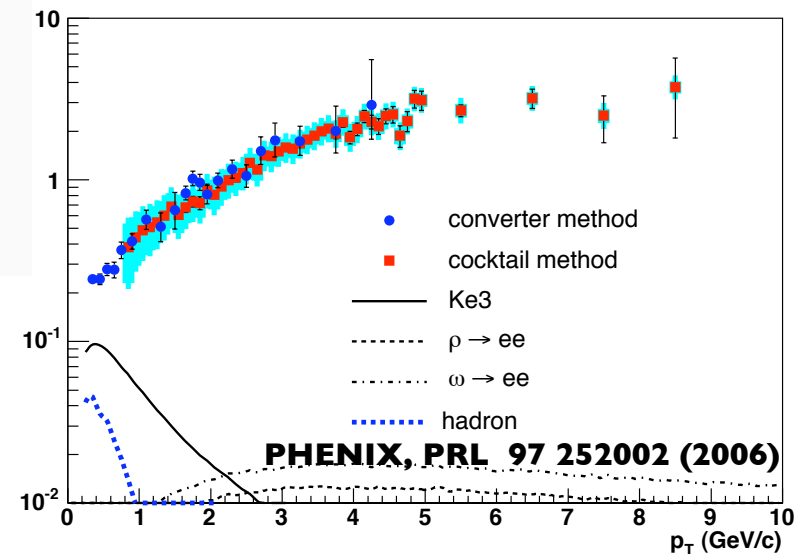
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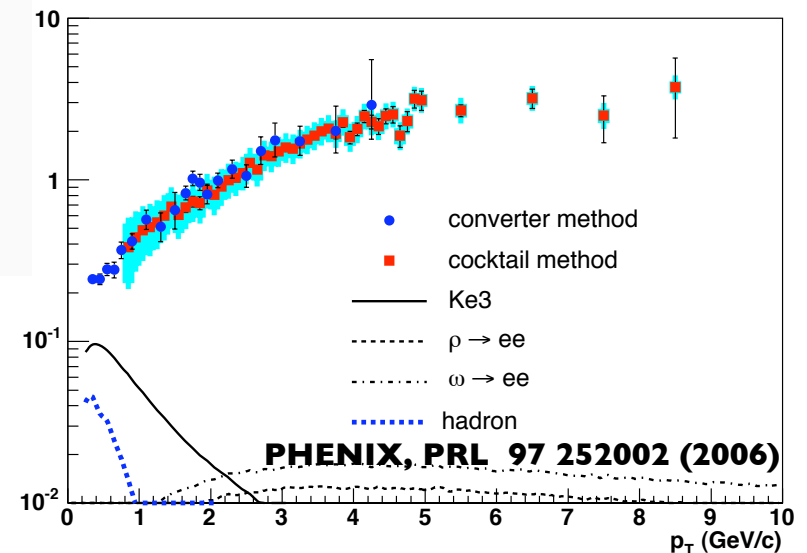
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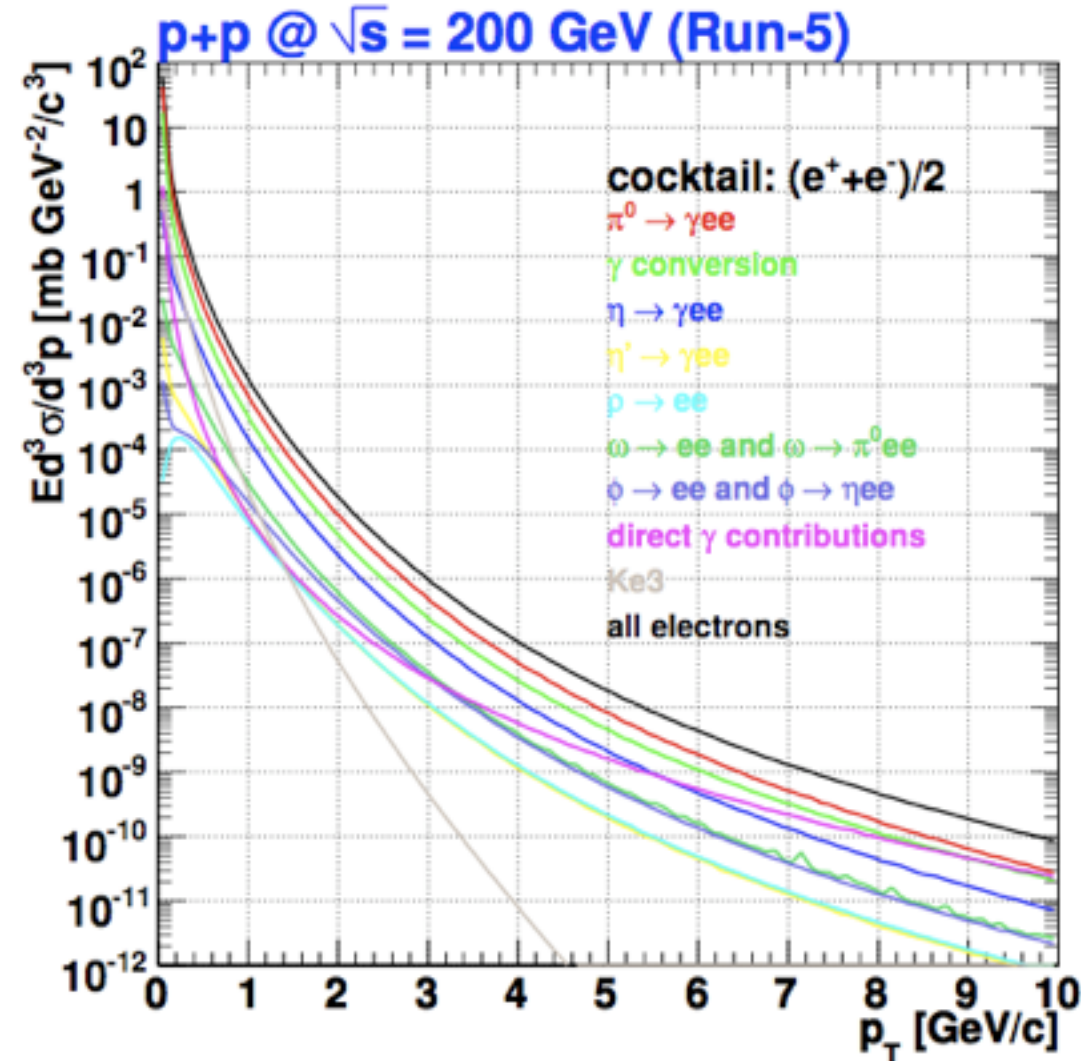
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$e_{\text{phot}}\text{-}h$ correlations

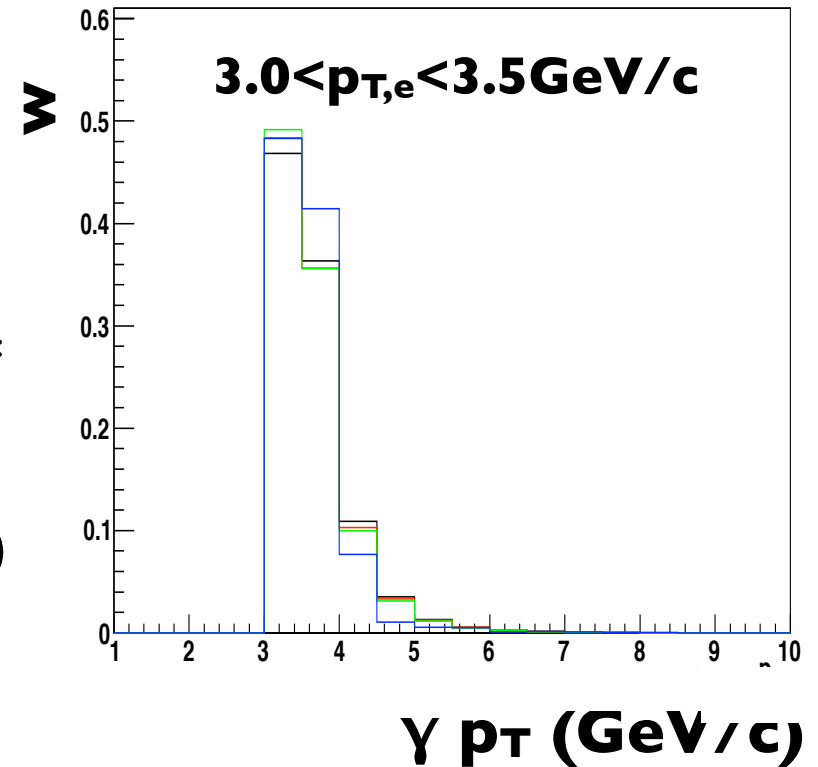
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- photonic electrons: Dalitz decays and γ conversions
- dominantly from π^0 s
- measure $\gamma_{\text{inc}}\text{-}h$ correlations
- also dominantly from π^0 s
- use MC to map between $e_{\text{phot}}(p_T)$ & $\gamma_{\text{inc}}(p_T)$



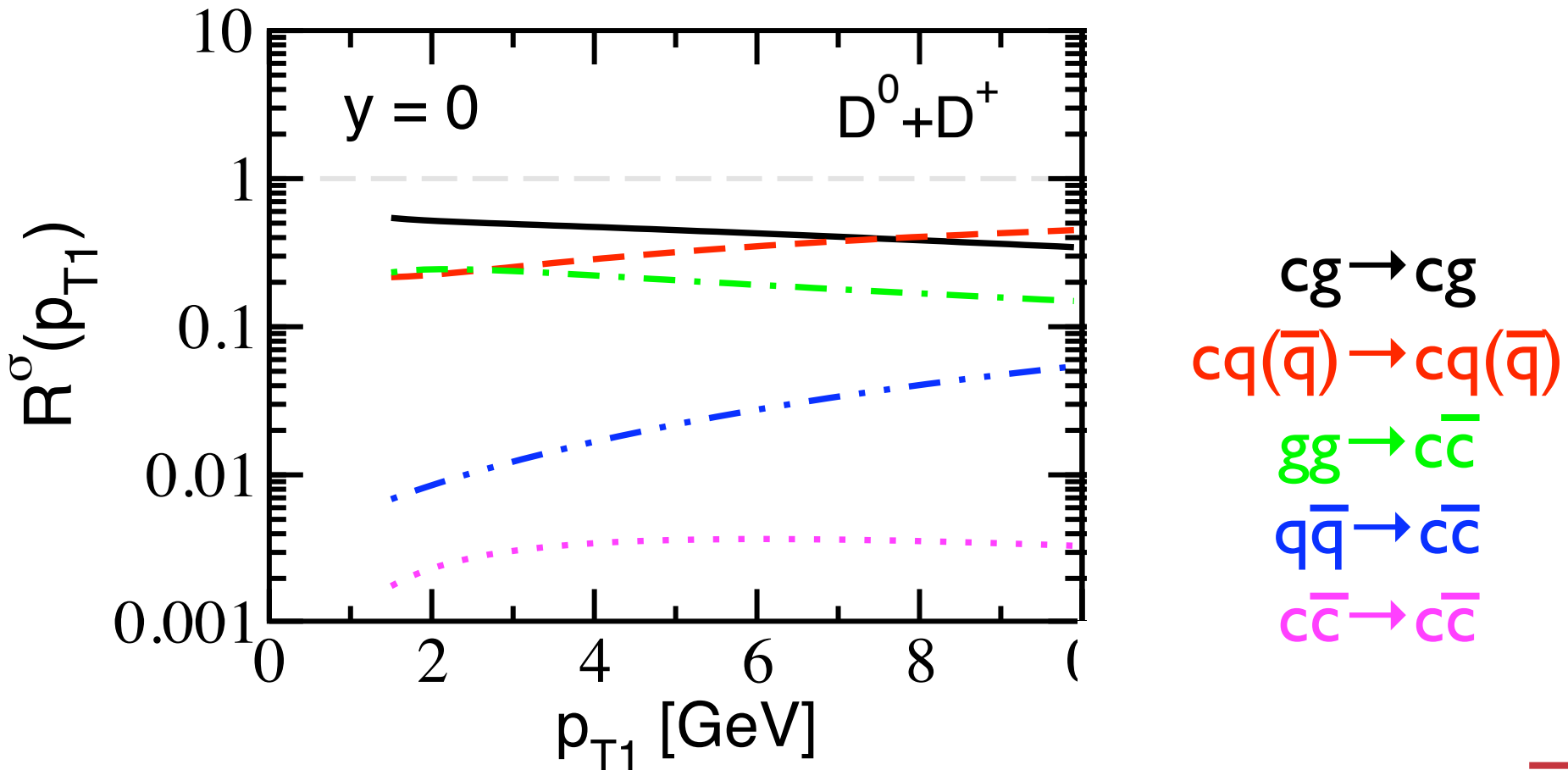
$e_{\text{phot-h}}$ correlations (II)

- $Y_{\text{inc}}(p_T) \Rightarrow e_{\text{phot}}(p_T)$?
 - **conversions**: $Y_{\text{inc}}(p_T)$ + PHENIX GEANT + reco. eff.
 - **Dalitz decays**: $\pi^0(p_T) \rightarrow \gamma e^+ e^-$ get γ^* from $e^+ e^-$
- both methods: $e_{\text{phot}}(p_T) \sim Y_{\text{inc}}(p_T) \approx \pi^0(p_T)$
- π^0 spectrum falls very steeply



$$Y_{e_{\text{phot-h}}}(p_{T,i}) = \sum_j w_i(p_{T,j}) Y_{\gamma-h}(p_{T,j})$$

charm production subprocesses



**most of the time a D is not balanced by a mid-rapidity \bar{D}
 (caveat: LO calculation)**

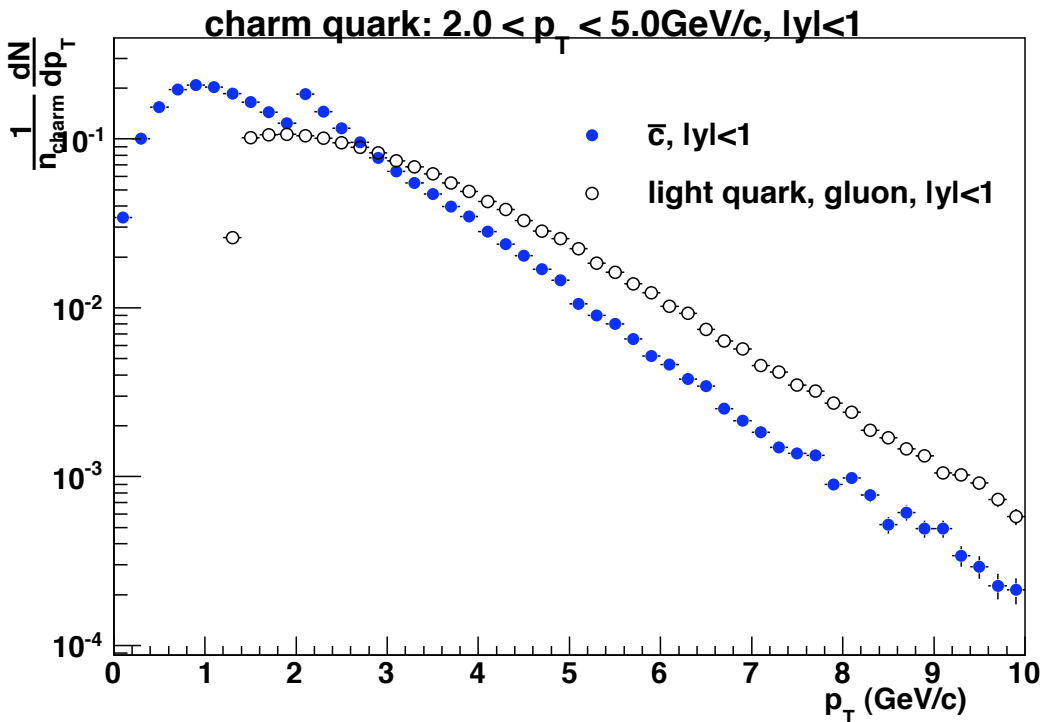
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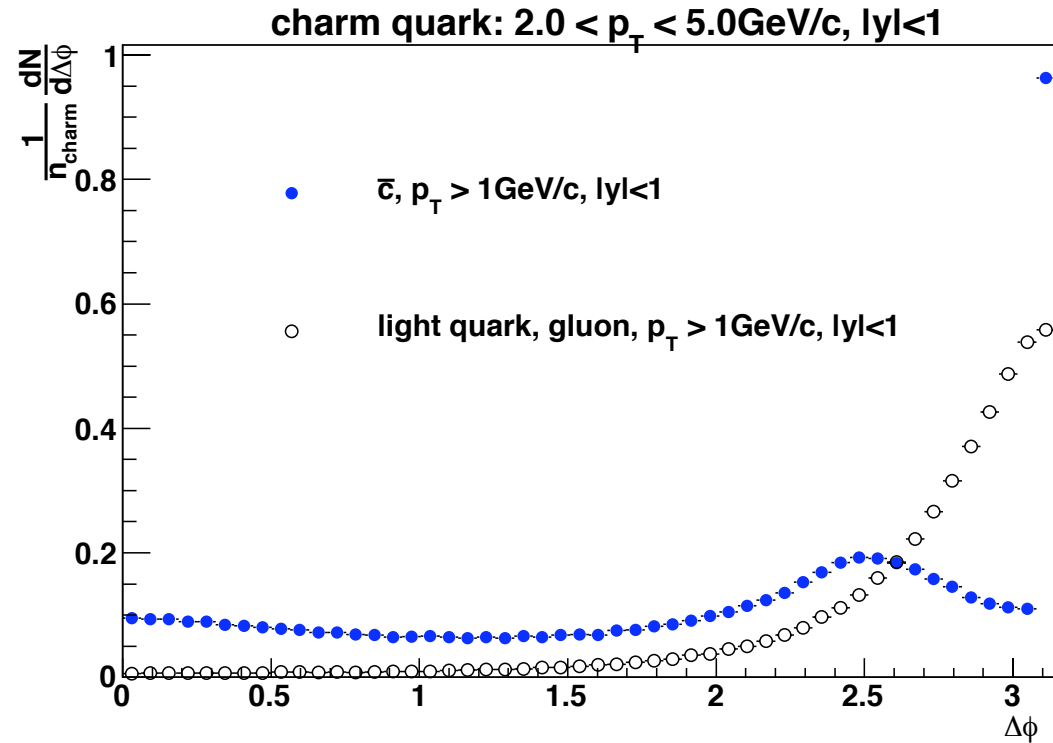
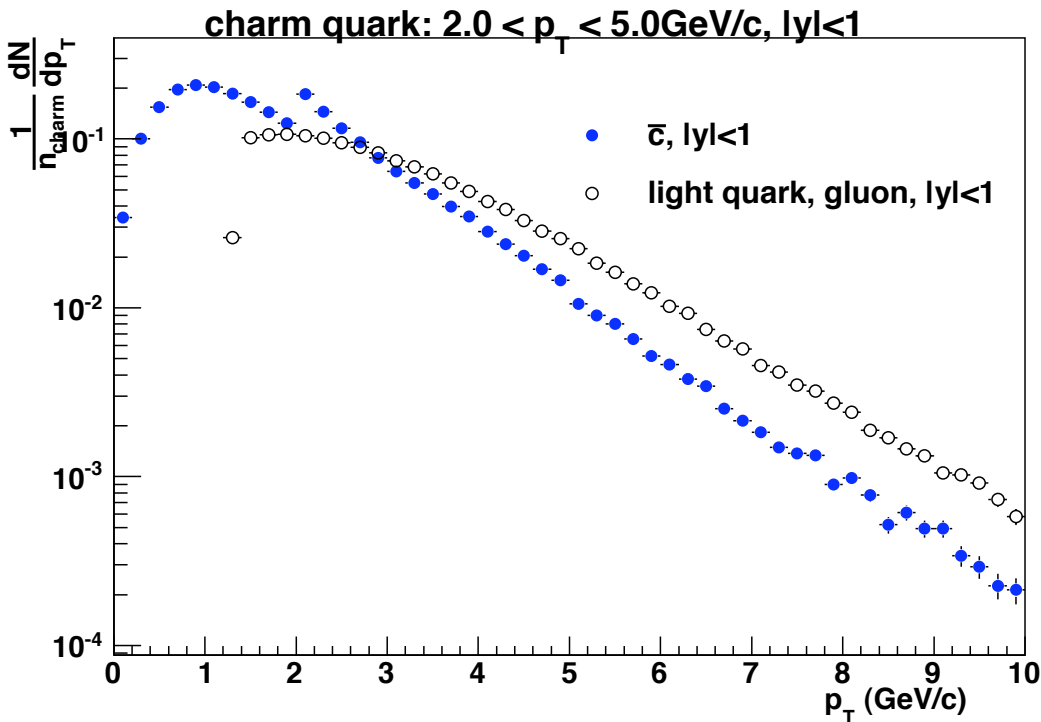
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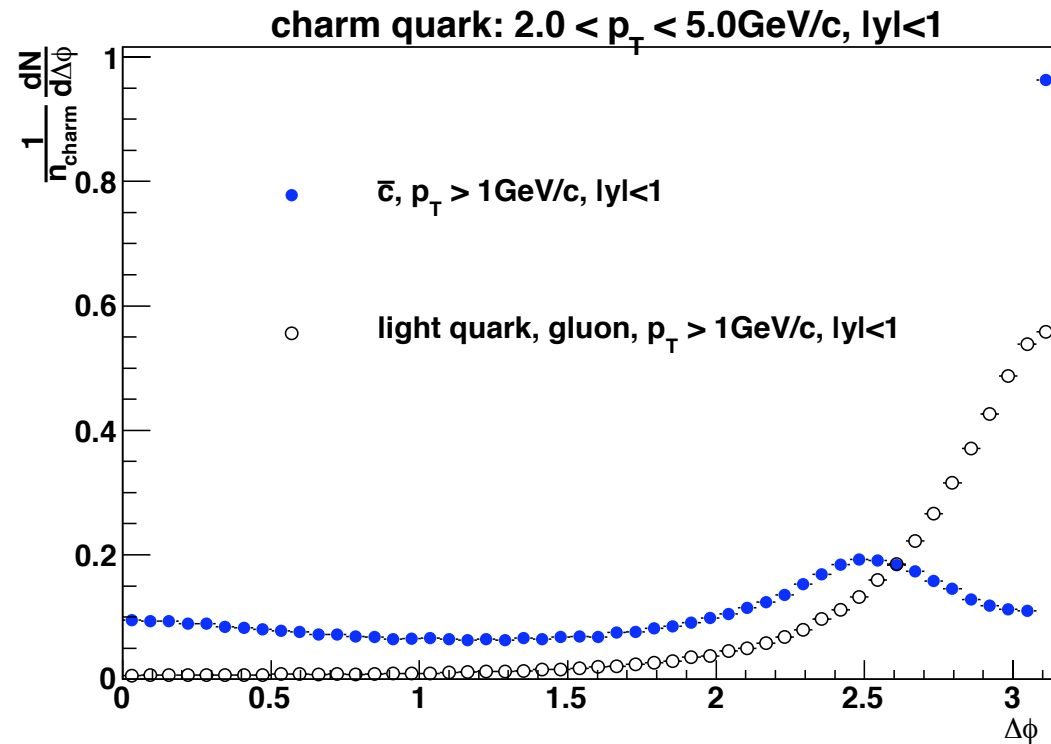
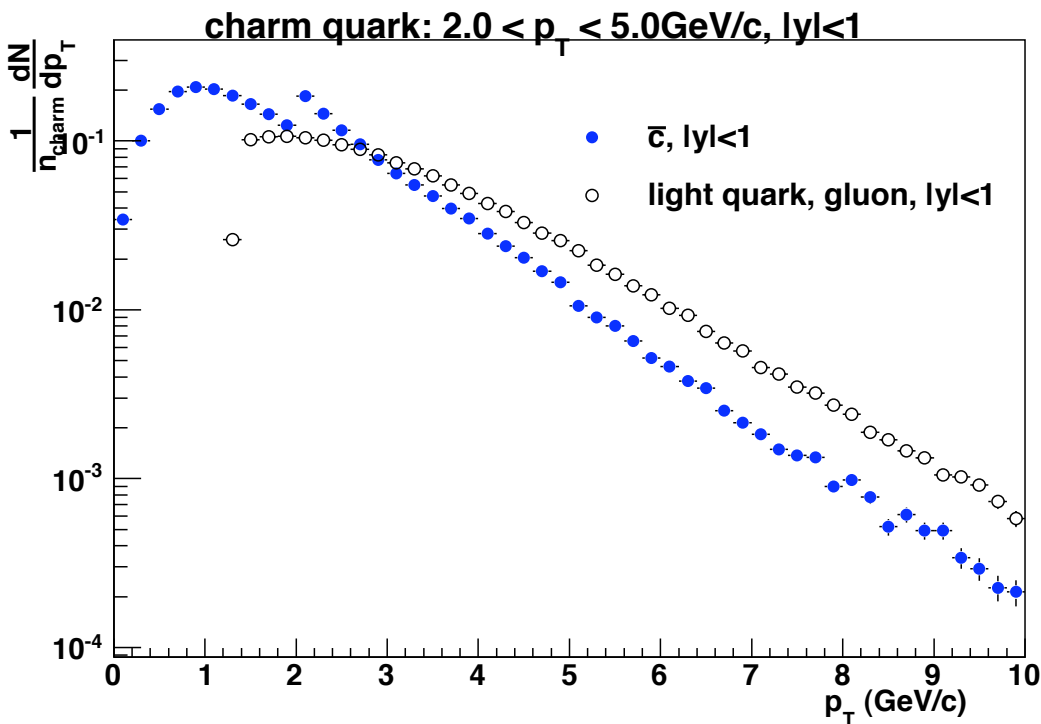
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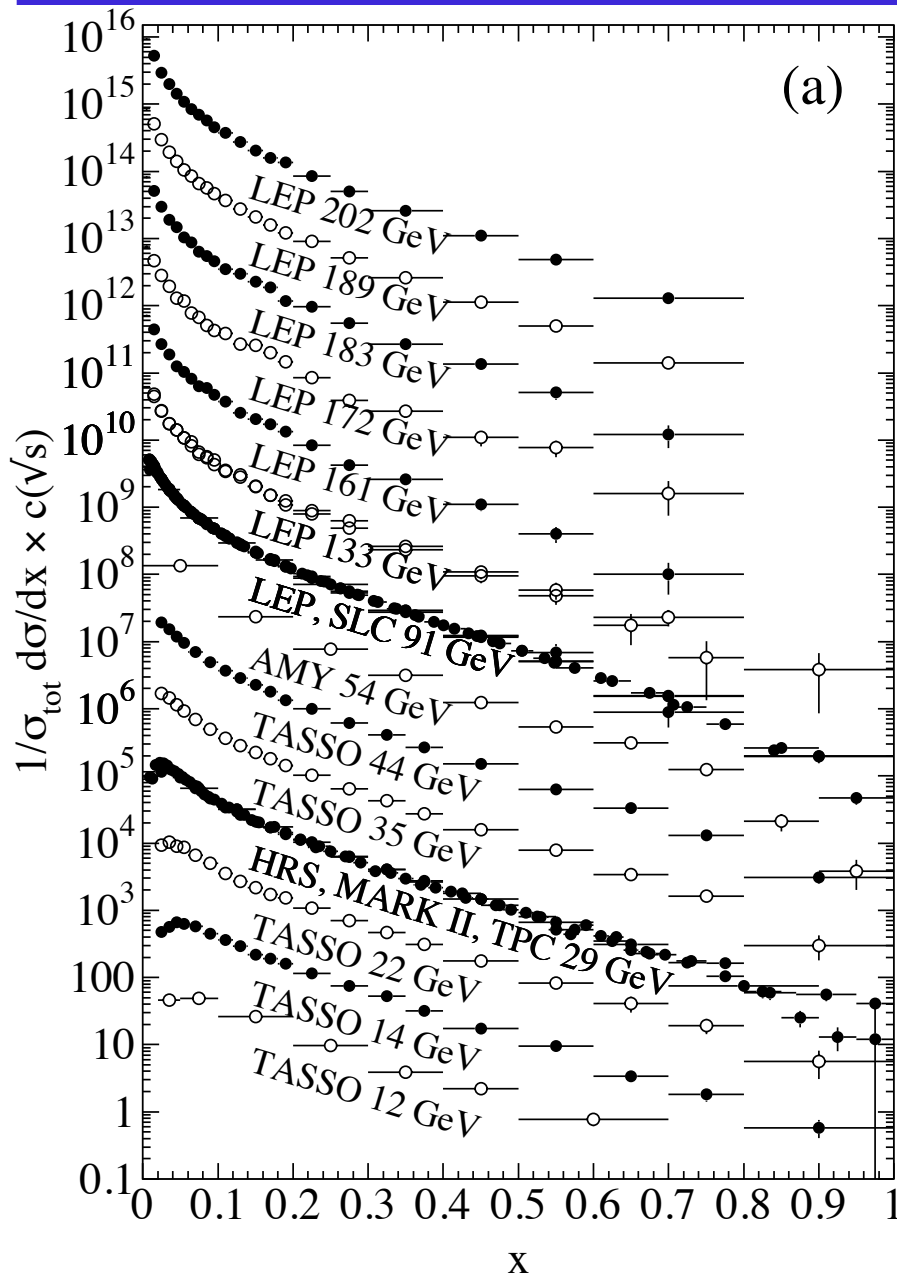
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light parton jets are a significant contribution to the away side correlations

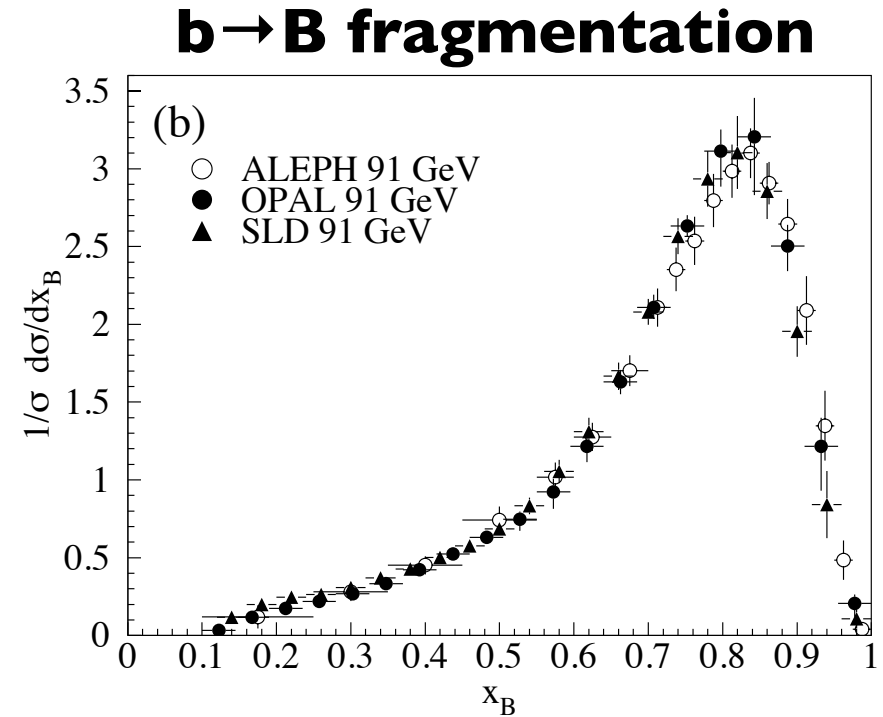
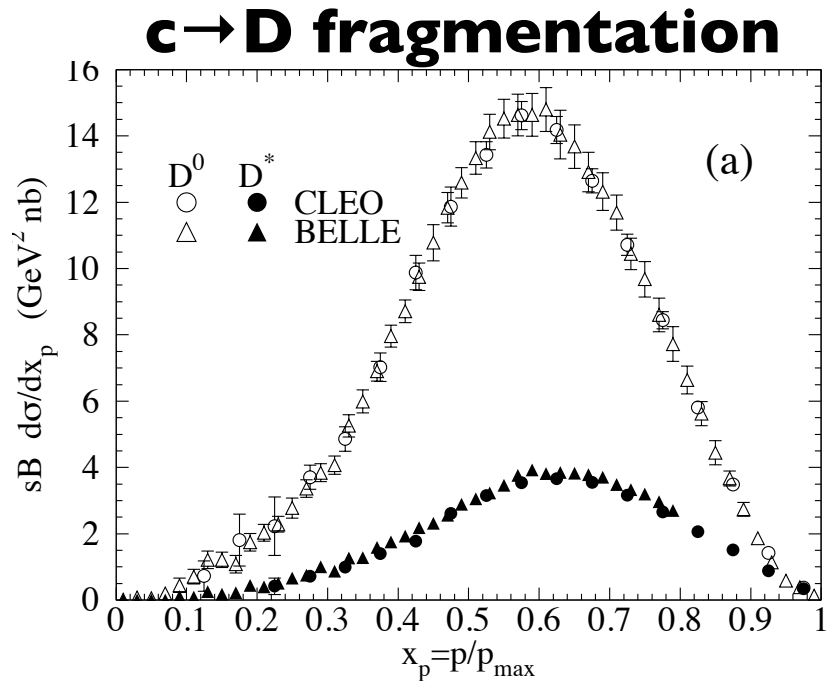
Light Quark Fragmentation



- fragmentation functions from e^+e^- collisions
- most particles carry small fraction of jet energy

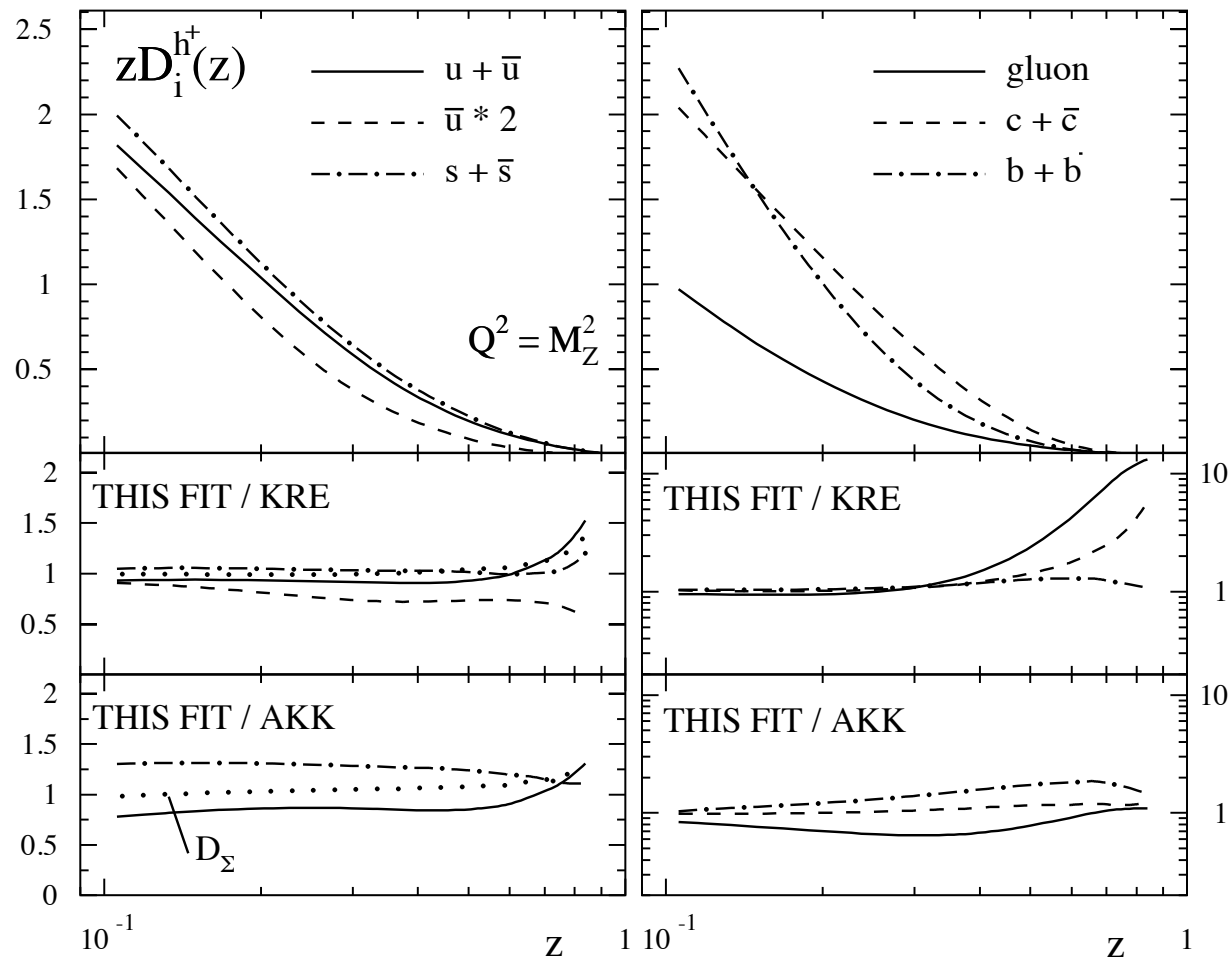
Particle Data Book

what about heavy quark jets?



- $c \rightarrow D$ fragmentation hard
- $b \rightarrow B$ fragmentation harder

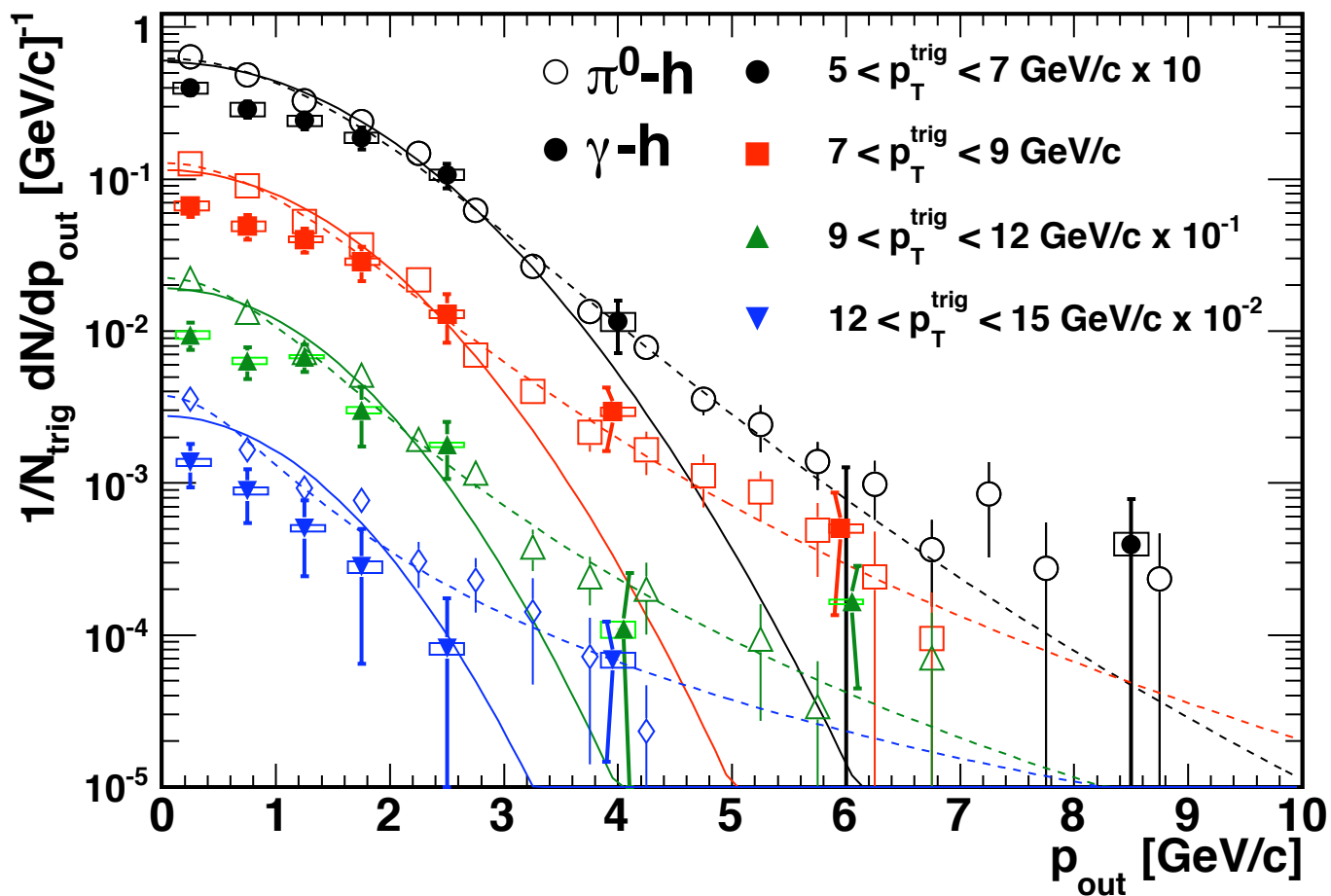
...and the rest of jet energy?



c,b → hadrons softer than q, g jets

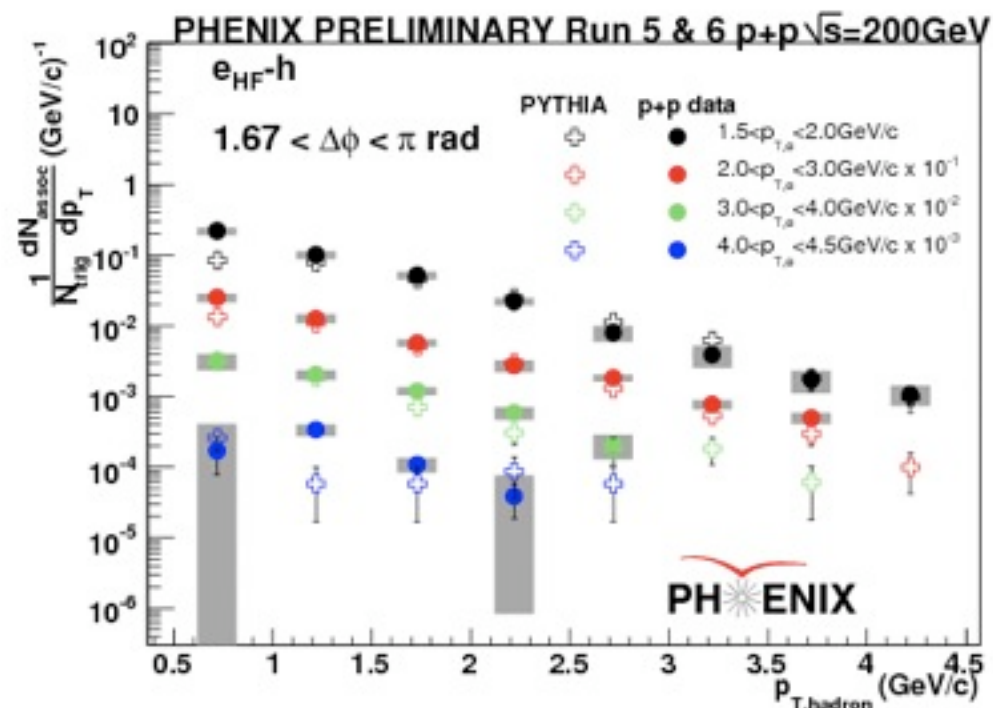
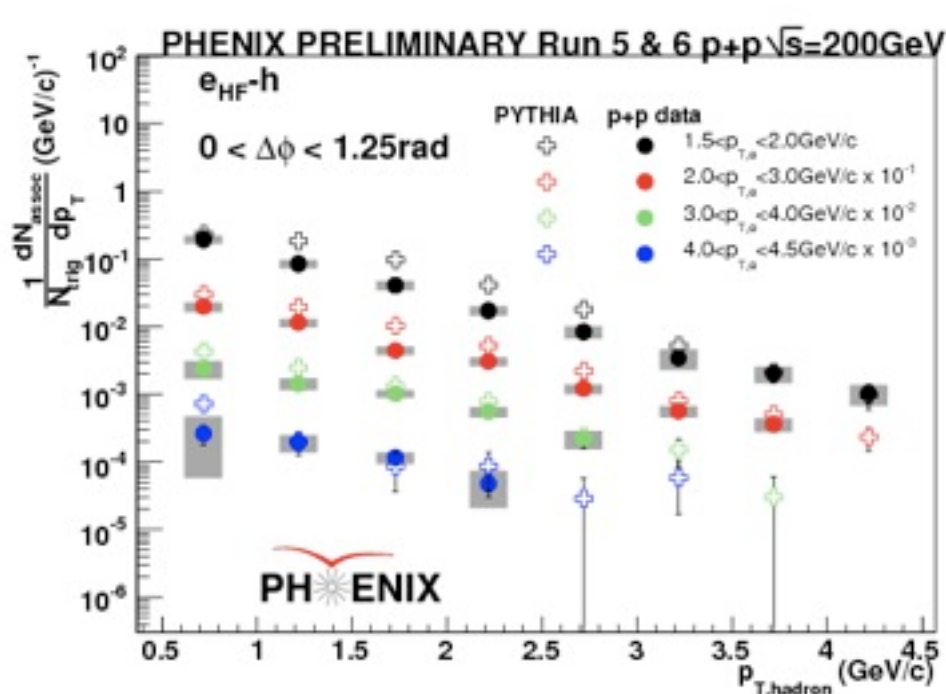
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matt's results



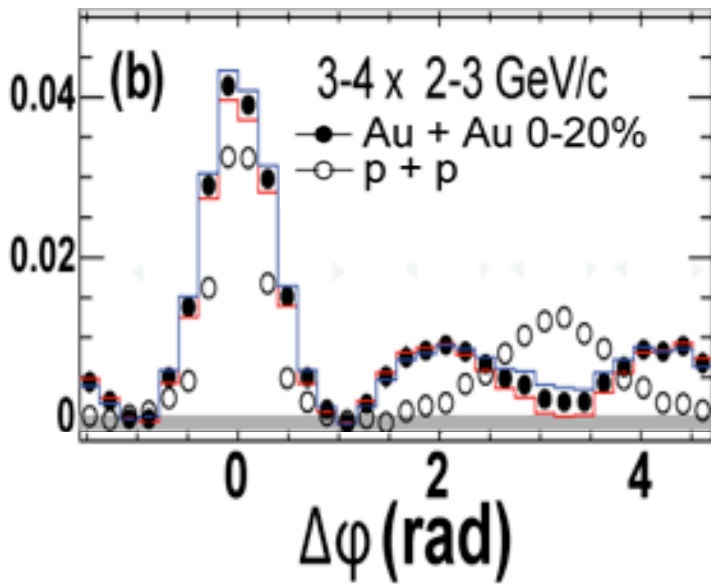
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conditional yields



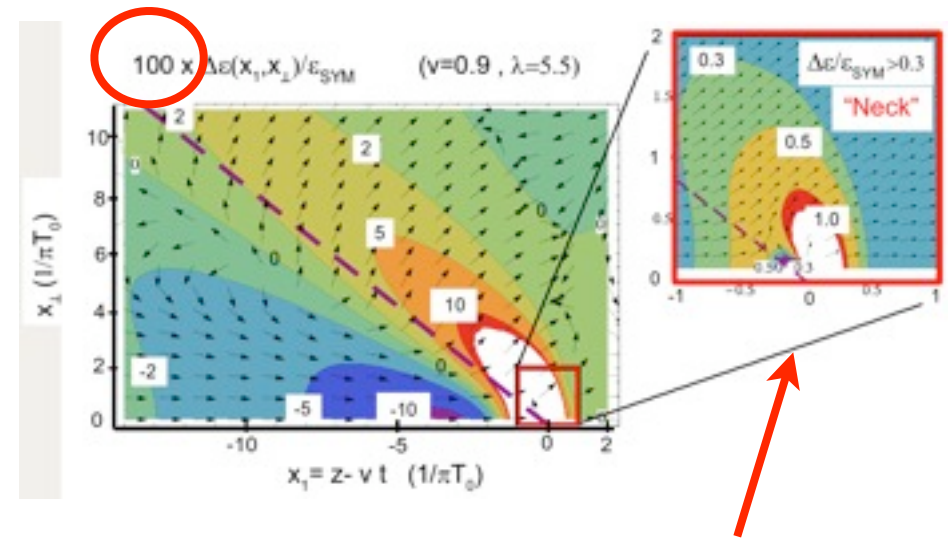
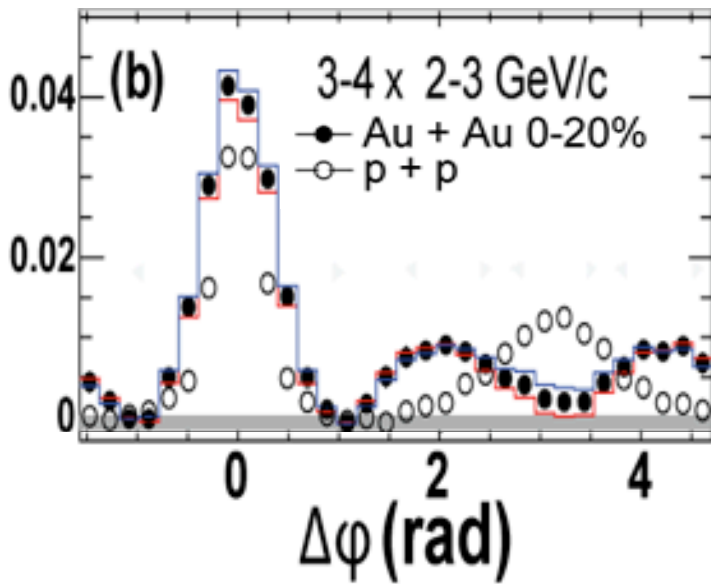
- near side: heavy quarks, dominated by decays
- away side: heavy & light partons, fragmentation and decays

Double Peak Structure



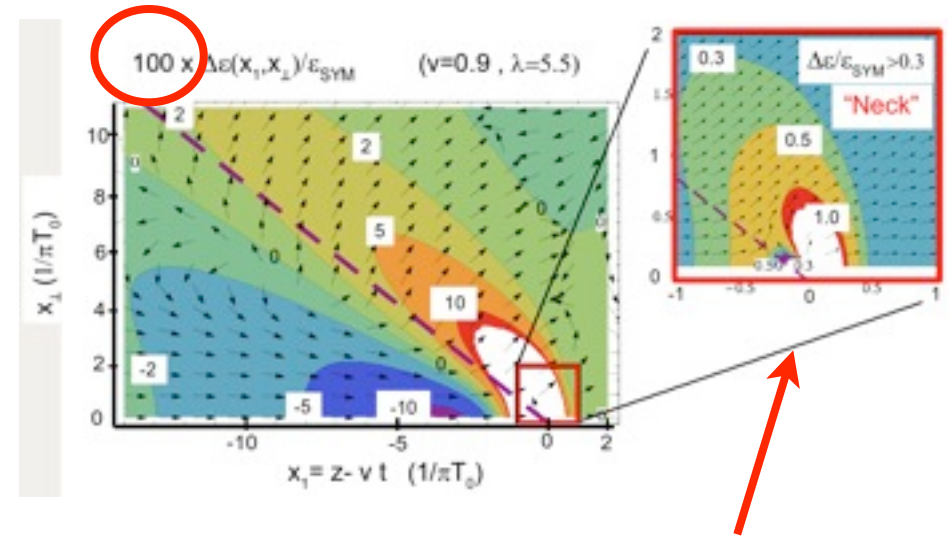
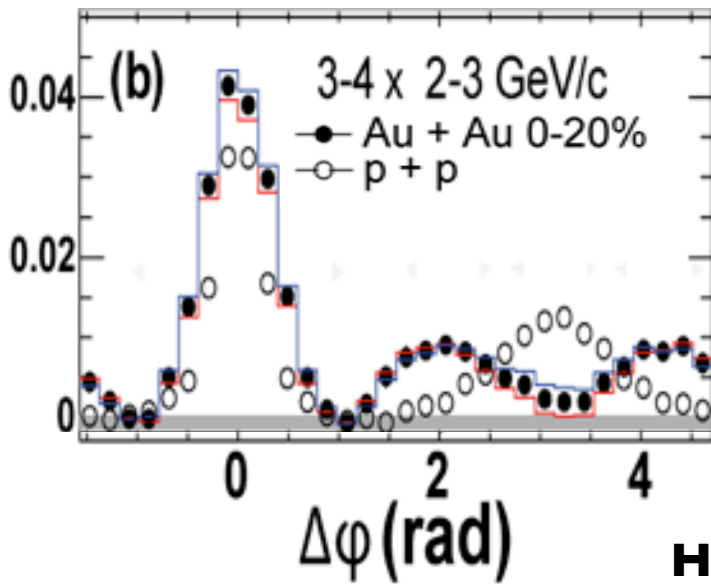
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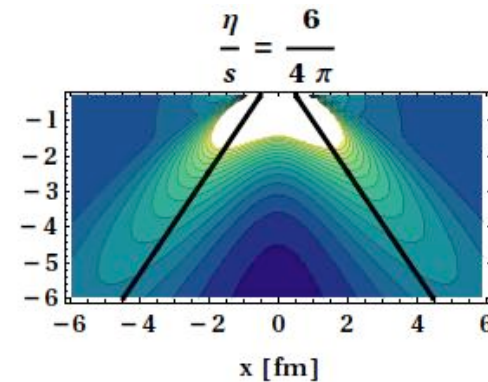
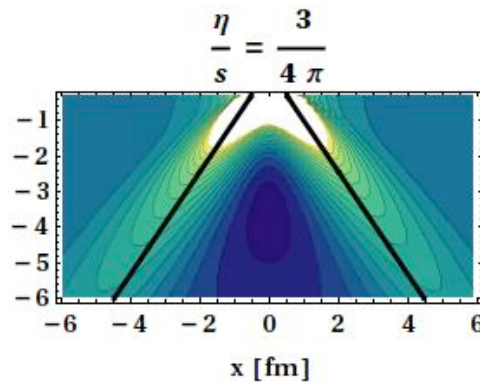
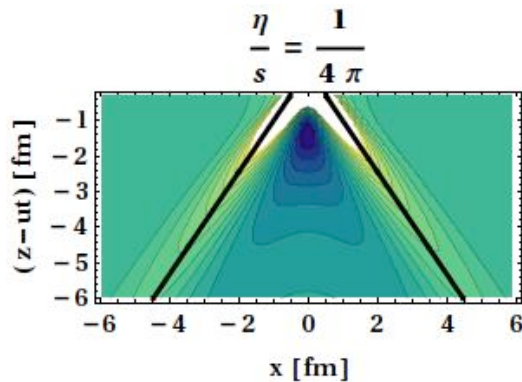
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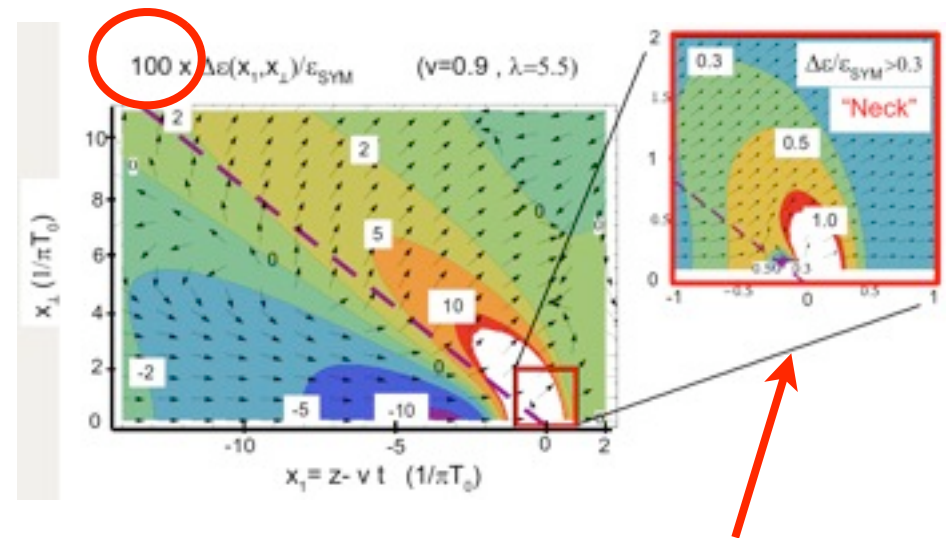
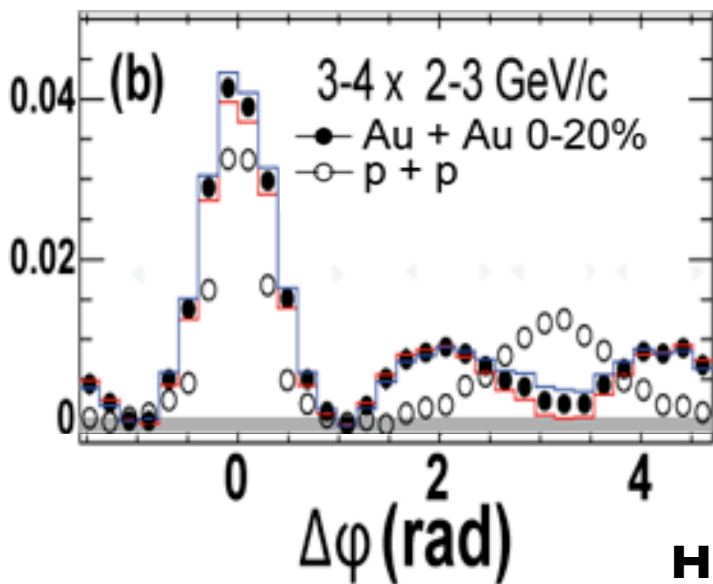
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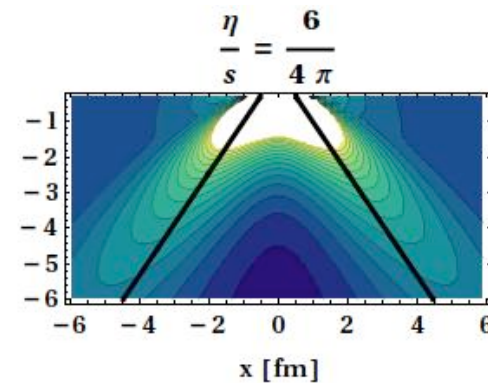
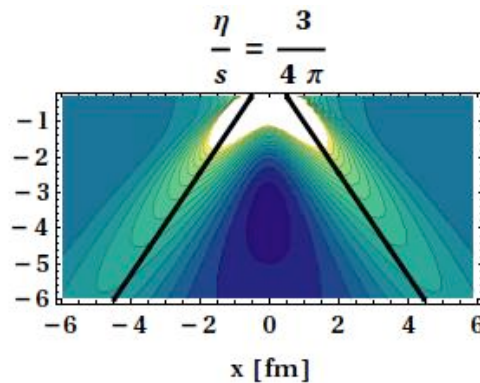
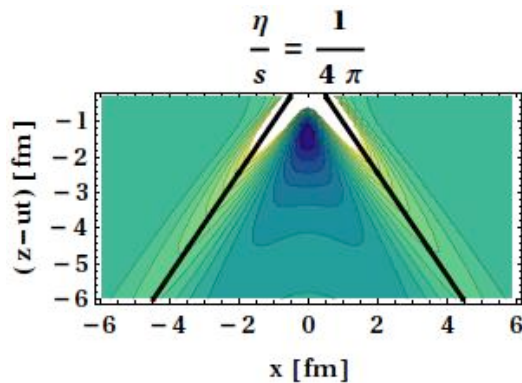
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Heavy quark correlations should help discriminate!

RAA of hadrons

