# Jet quenching in high-energy nuclear collisions

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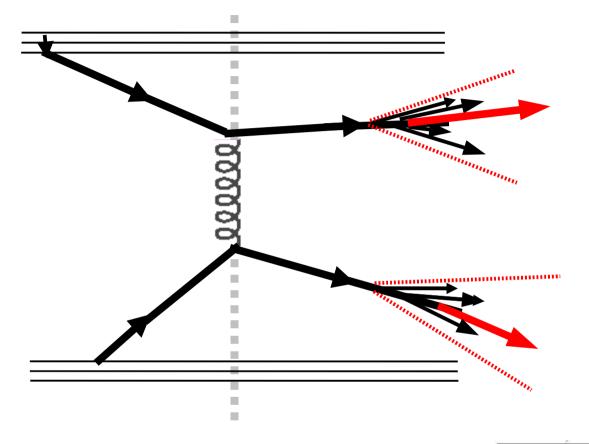
# **Overview**

- **0.** Physics motivation: Jet production in QCD medium (AA) vs QCD vacuum (pp) as a signature of QGP formation at RHIC.
- 1. Empirical observation I: High  $p_{T}$  (leading) hadron suppression.
  - Magnitude of suppression (x5 in central AuAu @ RHIC-200 GeV) provides direct info on transport (<q<sub>0</sub>>) & thermodynam. (dN<sup>g</sup>/dy) properties of medium
  - Properties of suppression ( $p_{\tau}$ -,  $\sqrt{s}$ -, ... dependence) in agreement w/ non-Abelian gluon radiation off hard scattered partons.
- 2. Empirical observation II: Modified high  $p_{\tau}$  di-hadron  $\phi$ -, $\eta$ -correlations.
  - Disappearance of back-to-back dN<sub>pair</sub>/dφ peak ("monojets")
  - "Double peak" structure in away-side dN<sub>pair</sub>/dφ ("Mach boom" in medium ?)
  - Di-jet pseudo-rapidity dN<sub>pair</sub>/dŋ broadening (coupling of g rad. w/ long. expansion ?)

### 3. Summary

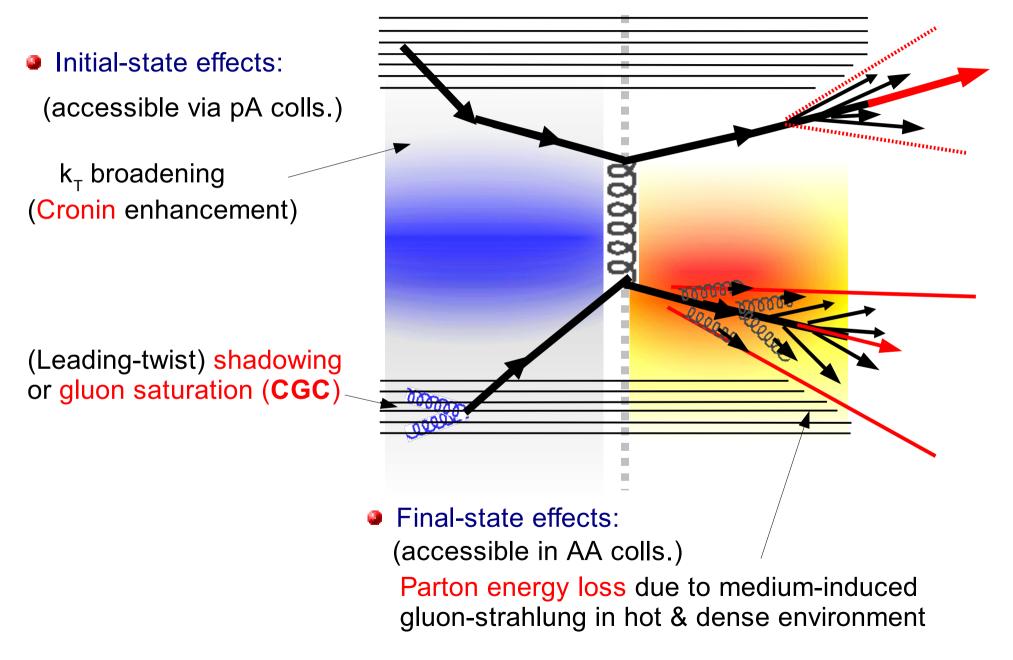
<u>Disclaimer</u>: This is a limited selection of a vast number of exp. nucleus-nucleus data (no mention to high  $p_{\tau}$  baryon or heavy-Q spectra, no space for discussion on detailed jet properties  $\langle j_{\tau} \rangle, \langle k_{\tau} \rangle, ...$ )

# Jet production in the "QCD vacuum" (pp collisions)



- Jet : Collimated spray of hadrons in a cone ( $R = \sqrt{\Delta \eta^2 + \Delta \phi^2} \sim 0.7$ ) with 4-momentum of original fragmenting parton
- Leading hadron takes away large fraction (<z> ~0.6 –0.8 @ RHIC) of parent parton p<sub>T</sub>
- Jet balanced back-to-back by other hard-scattered "parton" (jet, direct  $\gamma$ , ...)

# Jet production in "QCD media" (pA, AA collisions)

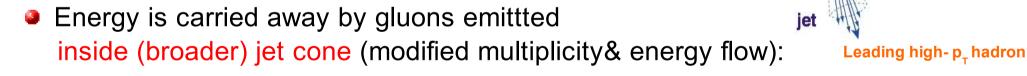


# "Jet quenching" = QGP signal

spectators

- Multiple final-state non-Abelian (gluon) radiation off the produced hard parton induced by the dense QCD medium.
- Parton energy loss ~ medium properties:

 $\Delta E_{loss} \sim \rho_{gluon} \quad (gluon \ density)$  $\Delta E_{loss} \sim \Delta L^2 \quad (medium \ length)$ 



 $dE/dx \sim \alpha_{s} \langle k_{T}^{2} \rangle$ 

Prediction I: Suppression of high p<sub>T</sub> leading hadrons: dN/dp<sub>T</sub>
 Prediction II: Modification of (di)jet correlations: d<sup>2</sup>N<sub>pair</sub>/dφdη

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"gluonsstrahlung"

spectators

# Relativistic Heavy-Ion Collider (RHIC) @ BNL

# Specifications:

- 3.83 km circumference
- 2 independent rings:
  - 120 bunches/ring
  - 106 ns crossing time

A + A collisions @  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200 \text{ GeV}$ Luminosity: 2·10<sup>26</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> (~1.4 kHz) p+p collisions @  $\sqrt{s_{max}} = 500 \text{ GeV}$ p+A collisions @  $\sqrt{s_{max}} = 200 \text{ GeV}$ 

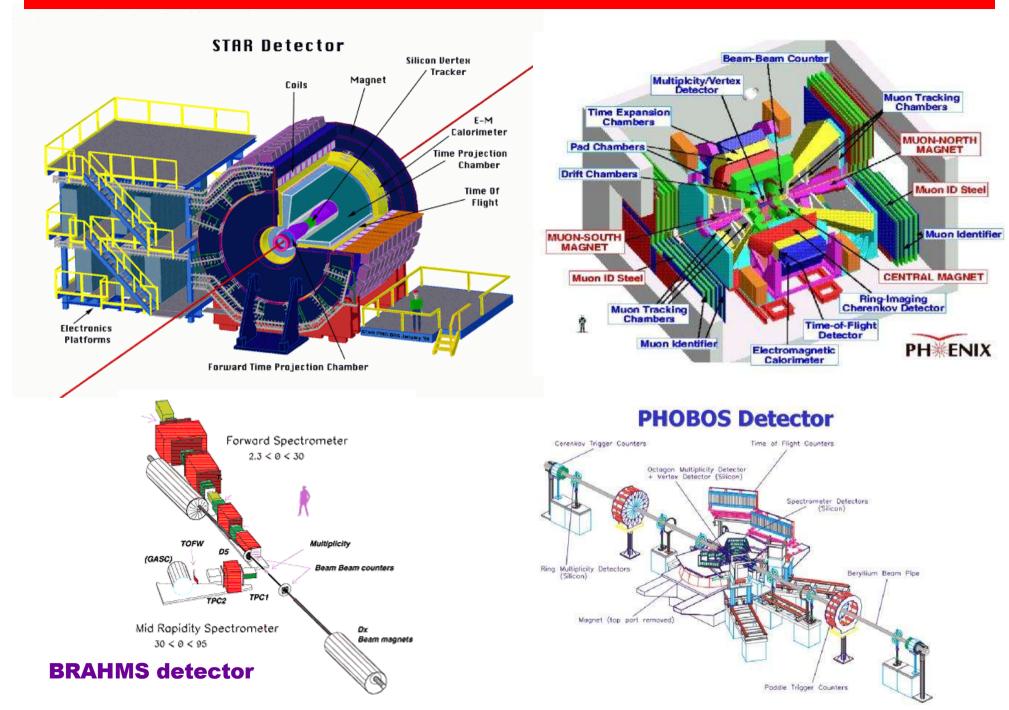
4 experiments: BRAHMS, PHENIX, PHOBOS, STAR

Runs 1 - 5 (2000 – 2005):

Au+Au @ 200, 130, 62.4 GeV p+p @ 200 GeV d+Au @ 200 GeV Cu+Cu @ 200, 62.4 GeV



# **The 4 RHIC experiments**



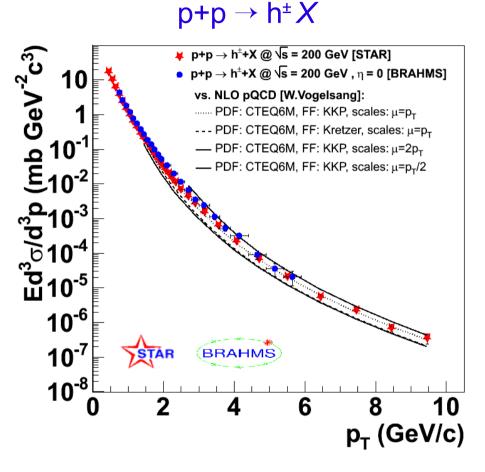
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# (1) High $p_T$ leading hadron $p_T$ spectra in high-energy pp, dA, AA collisions

# Leading hadron spectra in free space: pp @ 200 GeV

• High  $p_{\tau} \pi^0$ , h<sup>±</sup> spectra up to ~15 GeV/c. Good theoret. (NLO pQCD) description

 $p+p \rightarrow \pi^0 X$ E\*d<sup>3</sup><sub>0</sub>/dp<sup>3</sup> (mb·GeV<sup>-2</sup>.c<sup>3</sup>) **PH**<sup>\*</sup>ENIX 10 10<sup>-2</sup> PHENIX Data 10<sup>-3</sup> KKP FF 10 ----- Kretzer FF 10 (PDF: CTEQ6M) 10 10<sup>-7</sup> PHENIX Collab. 10<sup>-8</sup> PRL 91, 241803 hep-ex/0304038 <u>Δ</u>σ/σ (%) 5) 40 20 0 -20 -40 4 c) (Data-QCD)/QCD KKP FF 2 0 4 d) 2 0 Ō 5 10 15 p<sub>T</sub> (GeV/c)



- High quality data: sensitive to different parametrizations of gluon FF
- Well calibrated (experimentally & theoret.) p+p baseline spectra at hand !

# Hard spectra: AA = incoherent sum of pp

### Hard yields calculable via perturbative-QCD:

"Factorization theorem":

 $d\sigma_{_{AB \rightarrow hX}} = \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{f}_{_{\mathbf{a}'p}}(\mathbf{x}_{_{\mathbf{a}'}}\mathbf{Q}^{_{\mathbf{a}}}) \otimes \mathbf{f}_{_{\mathbf{b}'p}}(\mathbf{x}_{_{\mathbf{b}'}}\mathbf{Q}^{_{\mathbf{b}}}) \otimes d\sigma_{_{\mathbf{a}\,\mathbf{b}\,\rightarrow\,\mathbf{cd}}} \otimes \mathbf{D}_{_{\mathbf{b}'c}}(\mathbf{z}_{_{\mathbf{c}'}}\mathbf{Q}^{_{\mathbf{c}}})$ 

Independent scattering of "free" partons:

$$f_{a/A}(x,Q^2) = A f_{a/p}(x,Q^2)$$

A+B = "simple superposition of p+p collisions"

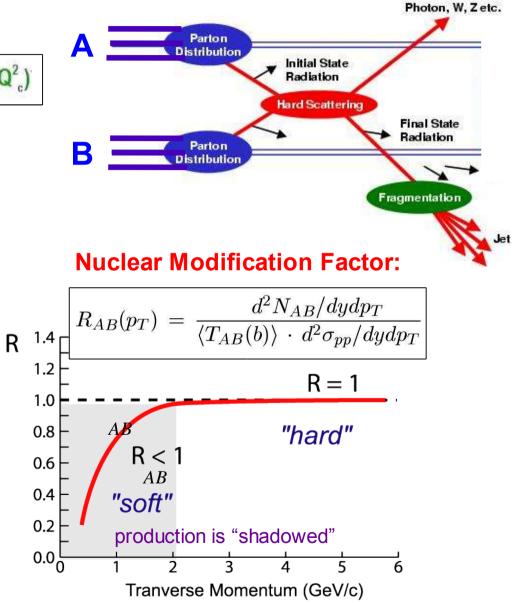
 $d\sigma_{AB \rightarrow hard} = A \cdot B \cdot d\sigma_{pp \rightarrow hard}$ 

At impact parameter b:

$$dN_{AB \rightarrow hard} (b) = T_{AB}(b) \cdot d\sigma_{pp \rightarrow hard}$$

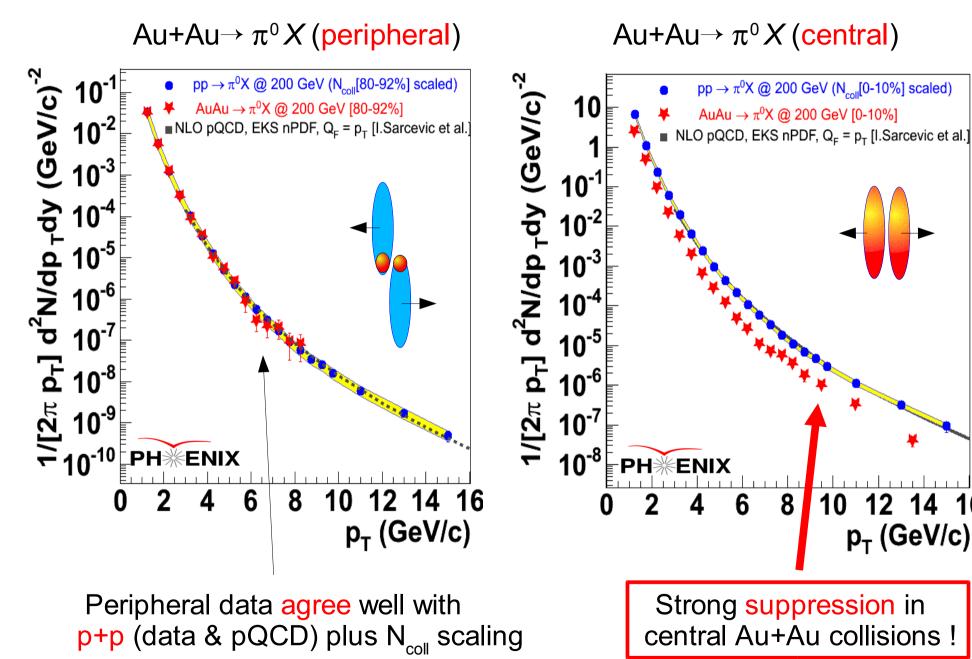
$$geom. nuclear overlap at b$$

$$T_{AB} \sim \# NN \text{ collisions ("Ncoll scaling")}$$



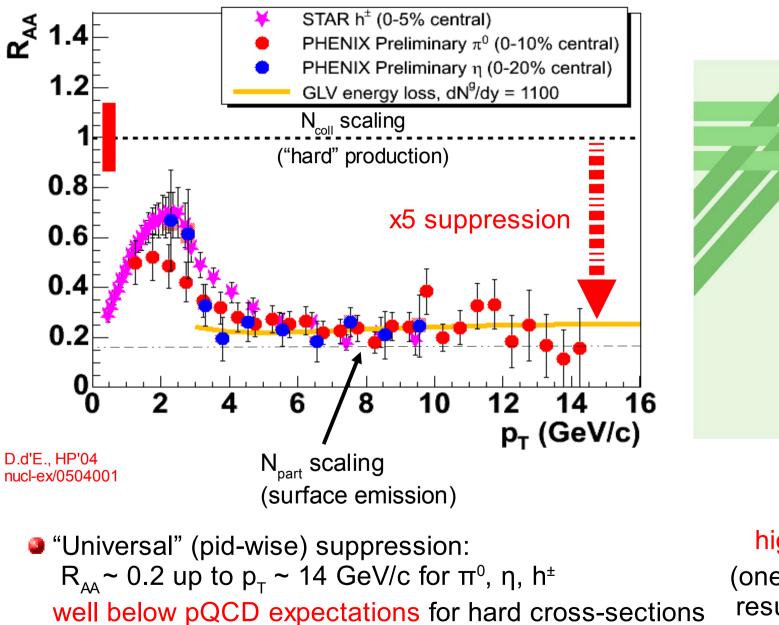
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# Leading hadron spectra in AuAu@200 GeV



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### Suppressed high p<sub>T</sub> hadroproduction in central AuAu



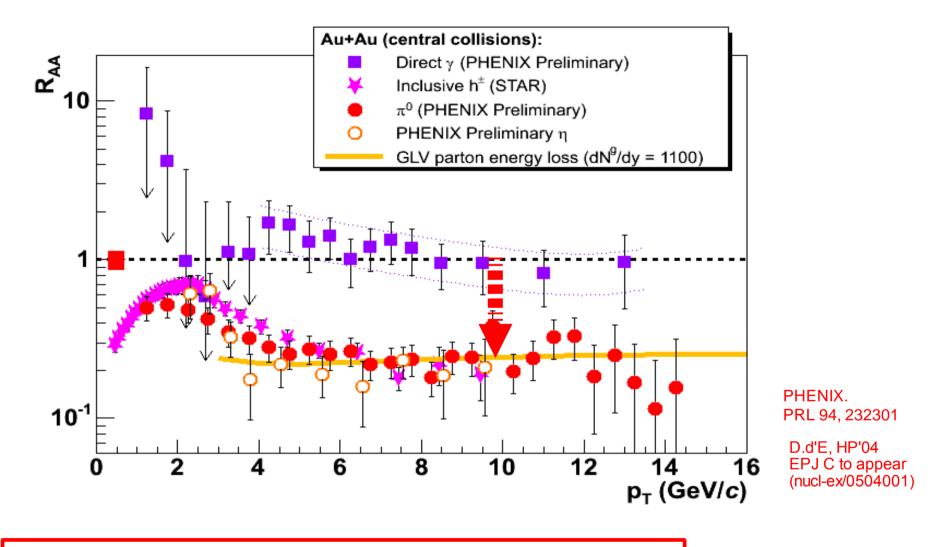
PHYSICAL REVIEW ETTERS 14 January 2002 Au+Au √s<sub>NN</sub>= 130 Ge central 0-109 (h<sup>+</sup>+h<sup>-</sup>)/2 APS Published by The American Physical Society **Discovery** of high  $p_{\tau}$  suppression (one of most significant results @ RHIC so far)

PHENIX Collab.

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PRL 88, 022301 (2002)

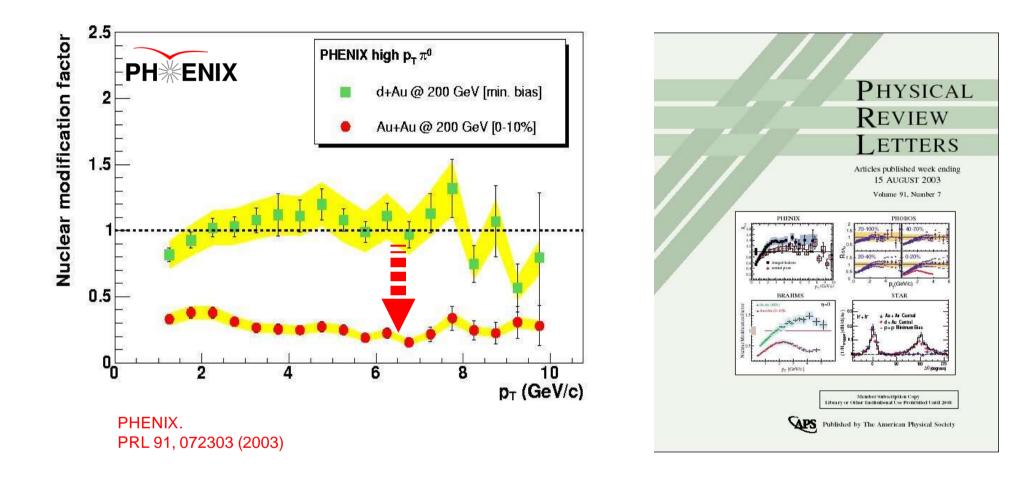
### **Unquenched direct photon production in AuAu**



- Color-less hard probes (direct γ) are unsuppressed.
- AuAu collision = incoherent sum of pp collisions (expected "N<sub>coll</sub> scaling" for perturbative probes).

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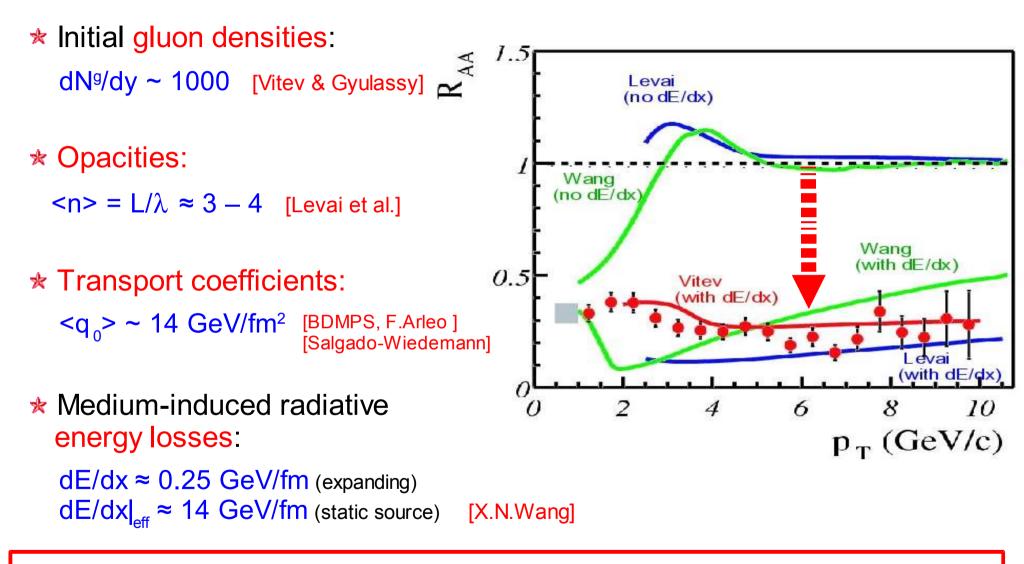
# Unquenched high $p_{\tau}$ hadroproduction in dAu



- Initial-state cold nuclear matter effects (shadowing, Cronin) are small at RHIC mid-rapidity.
- High p<sub>τ</sub> suppression in central AuAu is due to final-state effects (absent in "control" dAu experiment)

### **Dense medium properties**

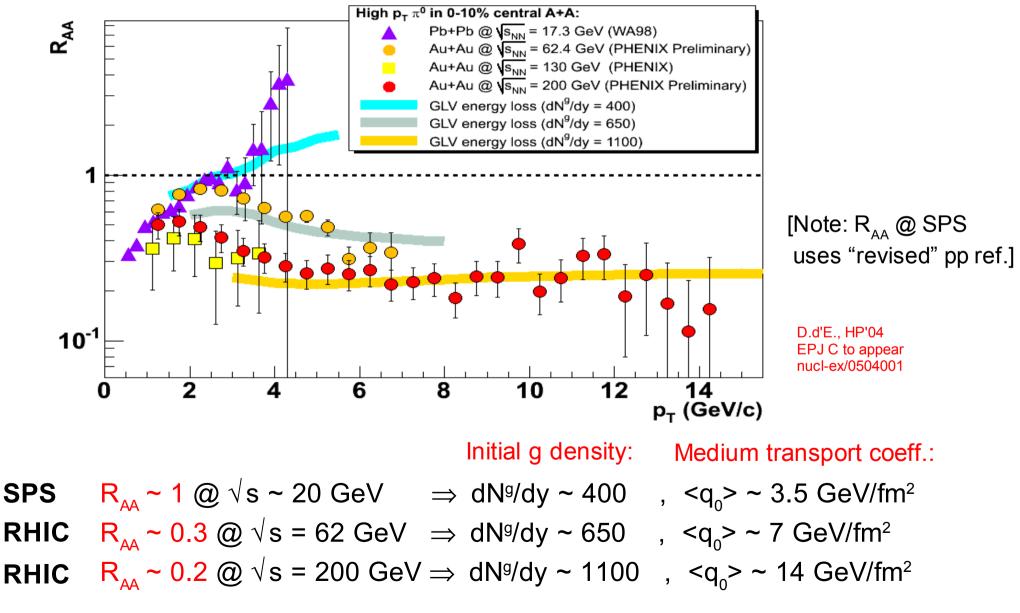
From data vs. model (pQCD+ non-Abelian parton energy loss) comparison:



- Such large opacities imply fast thermalization.
- All transport & thermodynam. values imply energy densities well above E<sub>crit QCD</sub>

# High $p_T$ suppression: $p_T$ - and sqrt(s)-dependence

•  $\sqrt{s}$ - and  $p_{T}$ - dependence in agreement with parton energy loss in increasingly dense (expanding) medium:

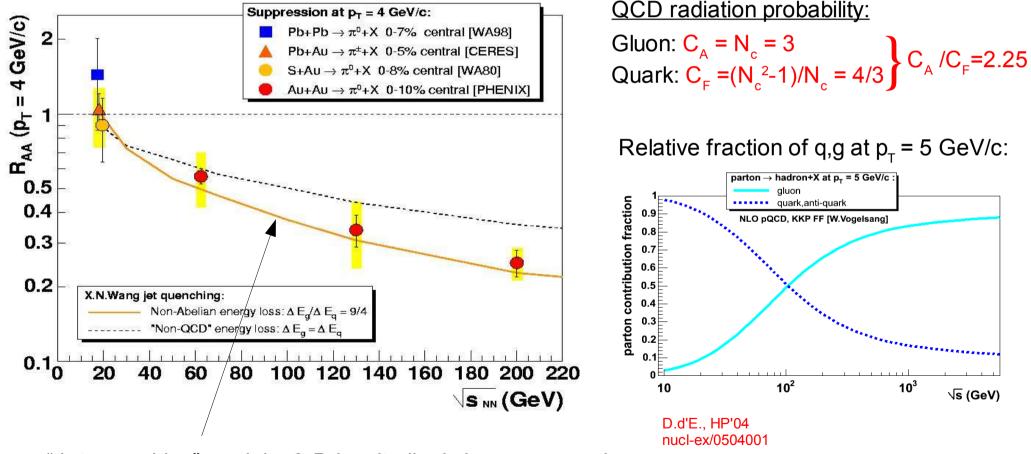


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# **High p<sub>T</sub> suppression: Excitation function**

- In agreement w/ parton energy loss calculations:
  - (i) rising initial parton density with  $\sqrt{s}$

(ii) increasing relative fraction of hard-scattered gluons (for fixed  $p_T$ ) w/  $\sqrt{s}$ 



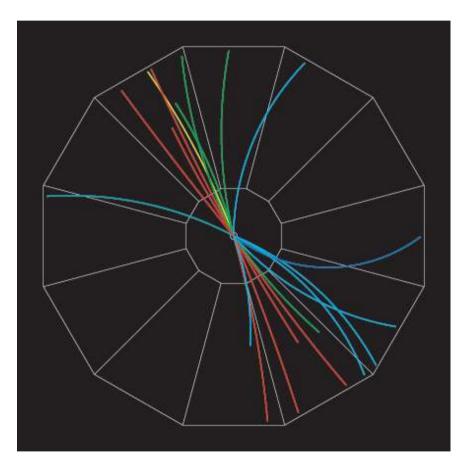
"Jet quenching" model + 2-D longitudinal plasma expansion

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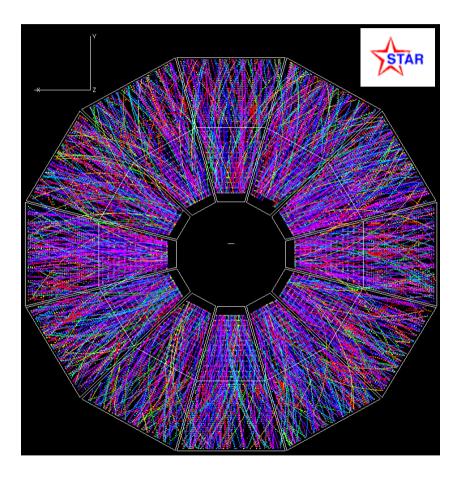
# **(2) High p<sub>τ</sub> di-hadron** φ,η correlations in high-energy pp, dAu and AuAu collisions

# Jets in AA collisions at RHIC

Full jet reconstruction w/ standard algorithms is unpractical at RHIC due to huge soft background (large "underlying event"):



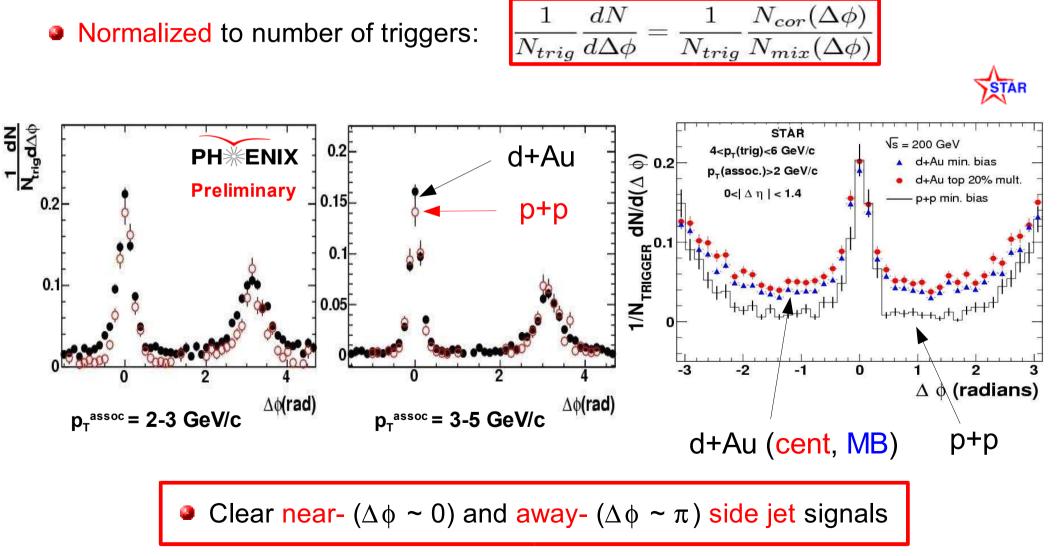
p+p → jet+jet [ $\sqrt{s}$  = 200 GeV] STAR @ RHIC (2003)



Au+Au  $\rightarrow$  X [ $\sqrt{s_{_{NN}}}$  = 200 GeV] STAR @ RHIC (2003)

# Jets via high $p_T$ di-hadron $\phi$ correlations: pp, dAu

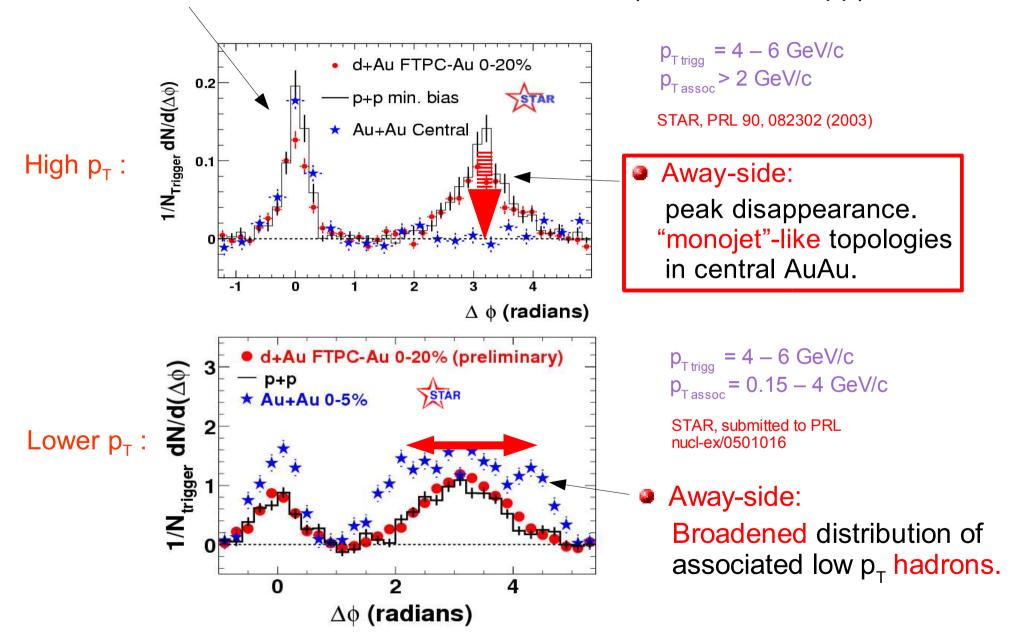
- Two-particle correlations:  $h^{\pm} h^{\pm}$ ,  $\pi^{0,\pm} h^{\pm}$ . Trigger: highest  $p_{\tau}$  (leading) hadron.
- Associated  $\Delta \phi$  distribution (e.g. "assorted": 2 GeV/c <  $p_T^{assoc}$  <  $p_T^{trigger}$ )



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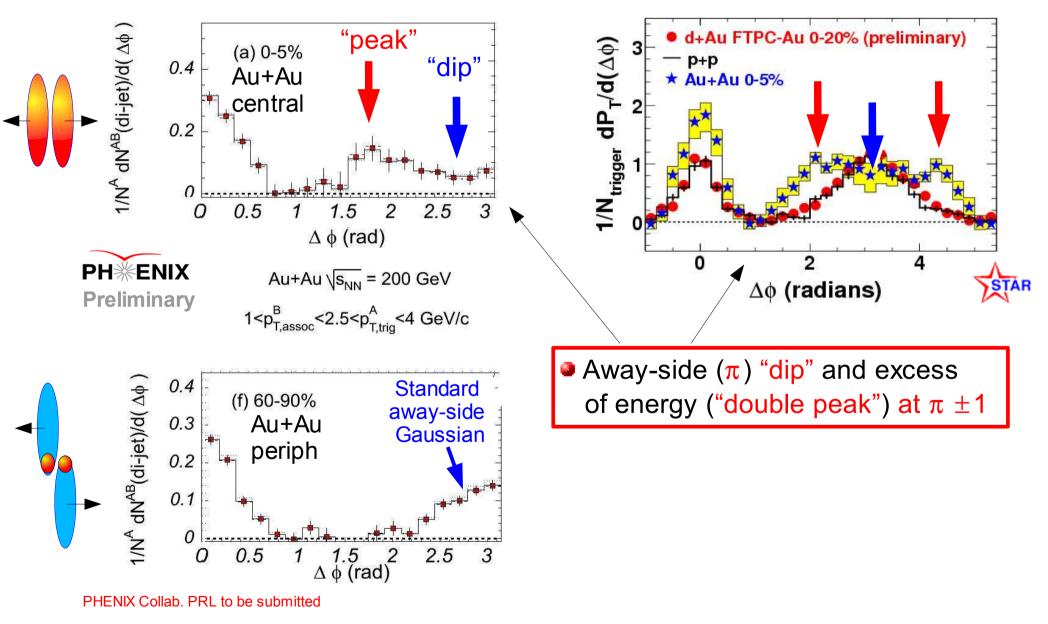
### **Di-hadron AuAu:** $\Delta \phi$ correlations (I)

Near-side: Jet-like Gaussian. Unmodified (AuAu ~ dAu ~ pp)



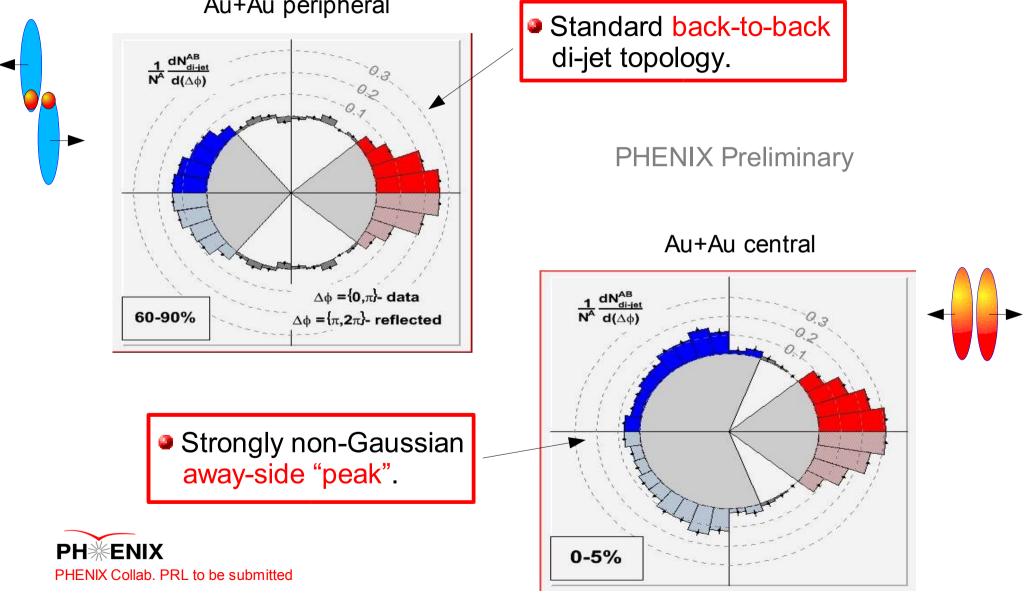
### **Di-hadron AuAu:** $\Delta \phi$ correlations (II)

Strongly modified away-side  $\Delta \phi$  correlations in central AuAu:



### **Di-hadron AuAu:** $\Delta \phi$ correlations (III)

Same  $dN_{pair}/d\Delta \phi$  result in polar coords. now: 0



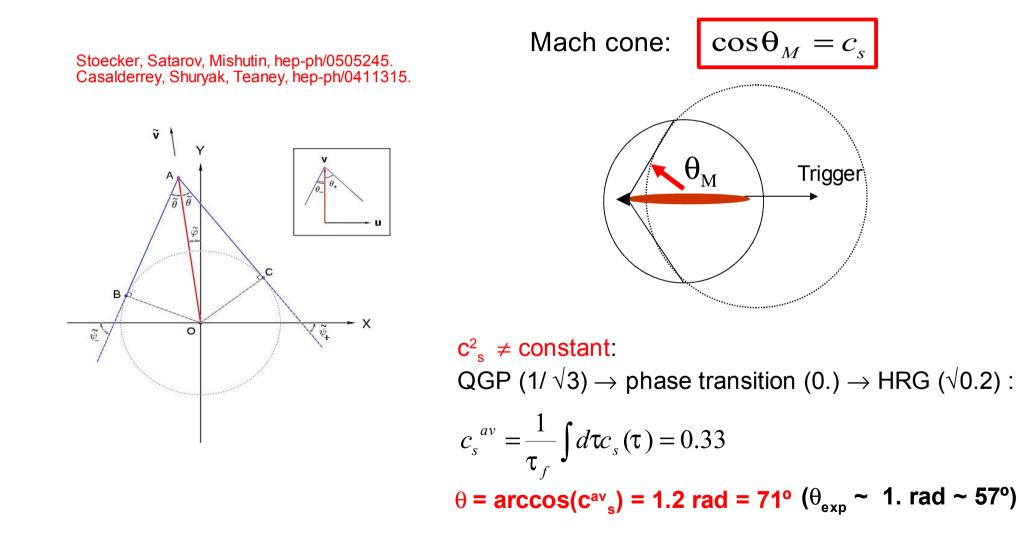
Au+Au peripheral

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### "Double peak" = Mach wave cone ?

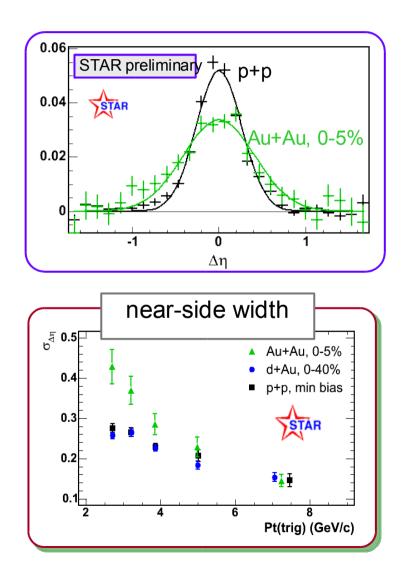
• Double peak structure at at  $\pi \pm 1$  rad reminiscent of ...

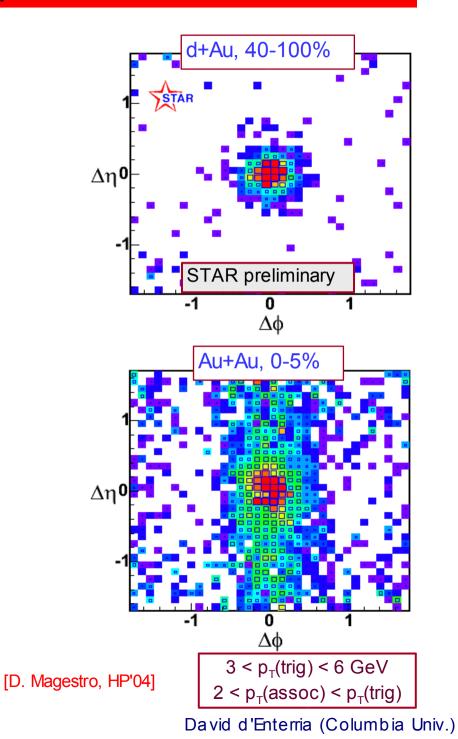
Mach wave conical shock ("sonic boom")  $\Rightarrow$  speed of sound accessible



### **Di-hadron AuAu:** Δη correlations

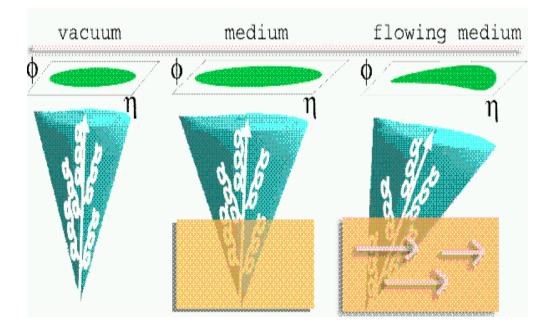
 Significant broadening of pseudo-rapidity correlations in AuAu compared to pp, dAu. ("stretching" of jet cone along η).



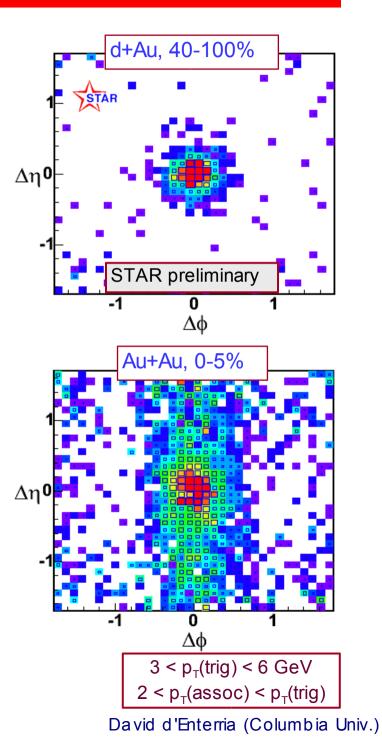


### **Di-hadron AuAu:** Δη correlations

- Significant broadening of pseudo-rapidity correlations in AuAu compared to pp,dAu. ("stretching" of jet cone along η).
- Coupling of g radiation w/ longitudinal expanding medium ?



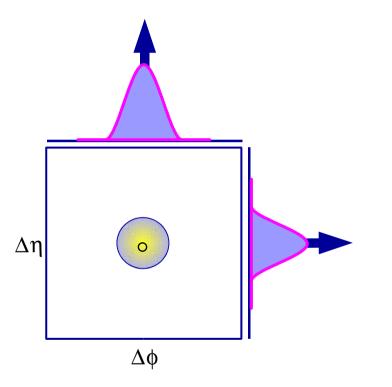
Armesto, Salgado, Wiedemann PRL 93, 242301 (2004)



# "Cartoon" Summary: Jet-quenching at RHIC

"QCD vacuum" & "cold QCD medium"

Jet profile in pp (dAu) collisions:

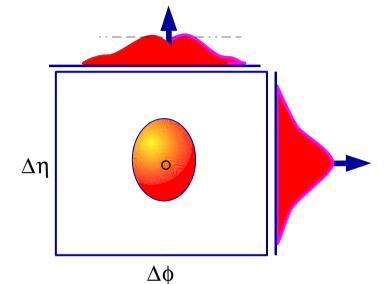


Near-side width:  $< j_{T} > ~ 600 \text{ MeV/c}$ unmodified in pp,dAu

Away-side width and acoplanarity unmodified in pp and dAu

"hot & dense QCD Medium"

Jet profile in AuAu central collisions:



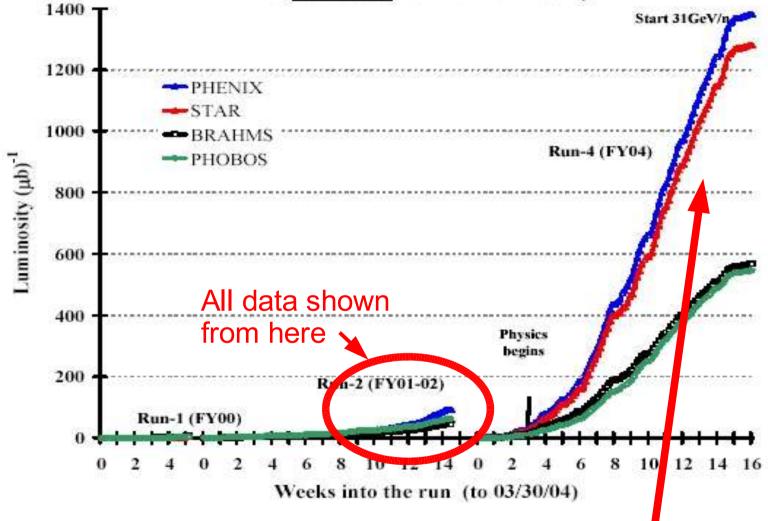
Factor ~5 suppression of leading hadron (very large initial parton densities:  $dN^{g}/dy$ ~1000) Disappearance of back-to-back peak ("monojets") "Double peak" structure at lower p<sub>T</sub> in away-side ("sonic boom" in medium ?) Dijet broadening in  $\eta$ 

(coupling of g radiation w/ expanding medium ?)

Strong QCD medium effects at work !

### **Outlook**

RHIC Delivered Au-Au Luminosity



Is times more data available (ongoing DST production) !

... and exciting jet-physics expected ahead at LHC: γ-, Z-, jet-jet corrs., ...

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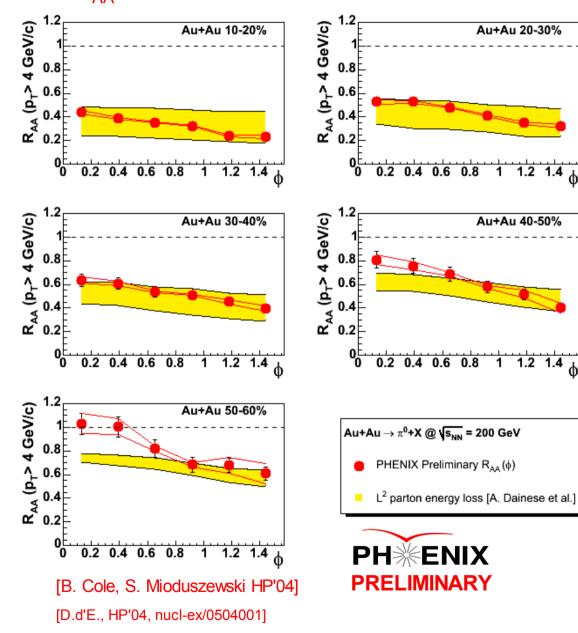
# High p<sub>T</sub> suppression: Reaction-plane dependence

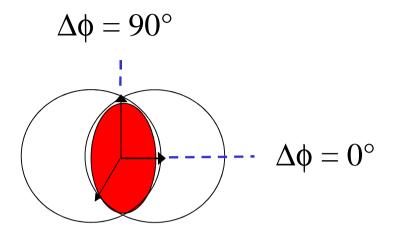
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•  $R_{AA}(\phi)$  versus parton energy loss model:



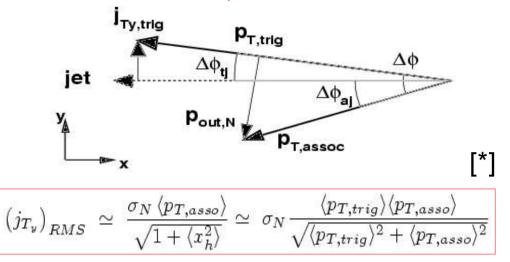


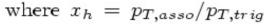
- 2 times more suppression out-of-plane ("long" direction) than in-plane ("short" direction).
- Glauber parton energy loss model predicts only ~50% increased "out-of-plane" vs "in-plane"  $\pi^0$ emission
- Azimuthal anisotropy not reproduced by "canonical" L<sup>2</sup> (or L) path-length dependence.

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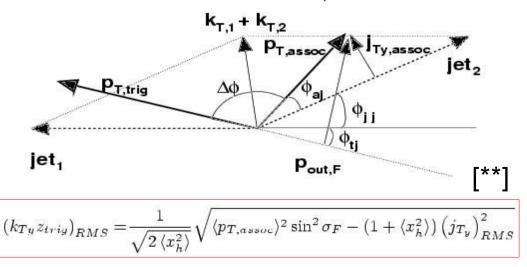
### Jet properties from dihadron correlations

• Jet "width"  $j_{\tau}$ :

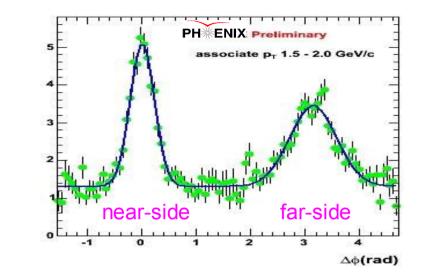




Di-jet acoplanarity k<sub>+</sub>:



(1) 2-hadron correlation function:



(2) Fit to 2-gaussians:

$$\frac{1}{N_{trig}}\frac{dN}{d\Delta\phi} = B + \frac{Yield_N}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_N}e^{\frac{-\Delta\phi^2}{2\sigma_N^2}} + \frac{Yield_F}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_F}e^{\frac{-(\Delta\phi-\pi)^2}{2\sigma_F^2}}$$

 $\implies$  near-side  $\sigma_{N}$ , far-side  $\sigma_{F}$  widths

(3) Extraction of j<sub>T</sub>, k<sub>T</sub> from σ<sub>N</sub>, σ<sub>F</sub> via
 [\*], [\*\*] (and dN/dx<sub>E</sub> from Yield<sub>N,F</sub>)

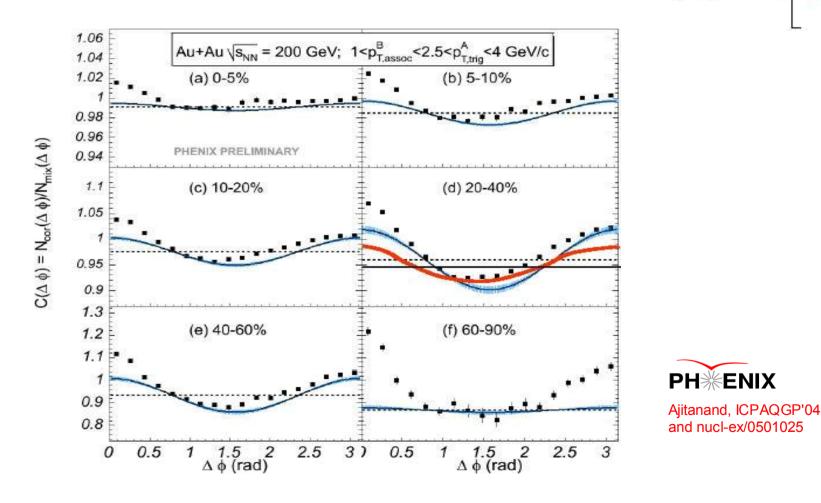
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# Jets via high $p_T$ di-hadron $\phi$ correlations: AuAu

Correlation Function

- Same dN<sub>pair</sub>/dφ analysis as in pp (dAu) but 2 extra "complications":
  - (1) Increased "underlying event" background
  - (2) Collective elliptic flow (harmonic) contribution



Delicate subtraction procedure (esp. in finite acceptances).

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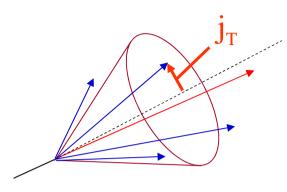
Hermonic

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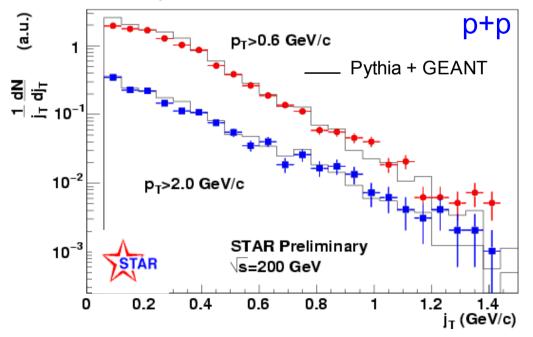
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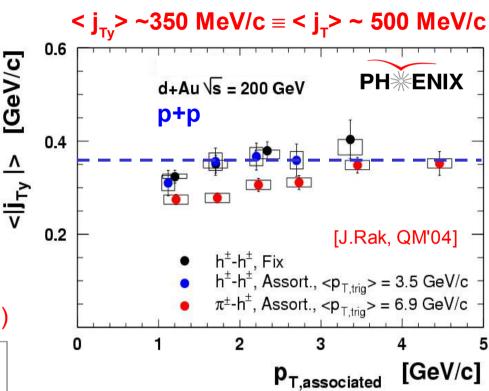
# Mean transverse momentum of jet hadrons $(j_T)$ : pp, dAu

• Jet (near-angle) "width"  $j_{T}$ :



< j<sub>T</sub>> ~ 500 MeV/c (from full jet reco)

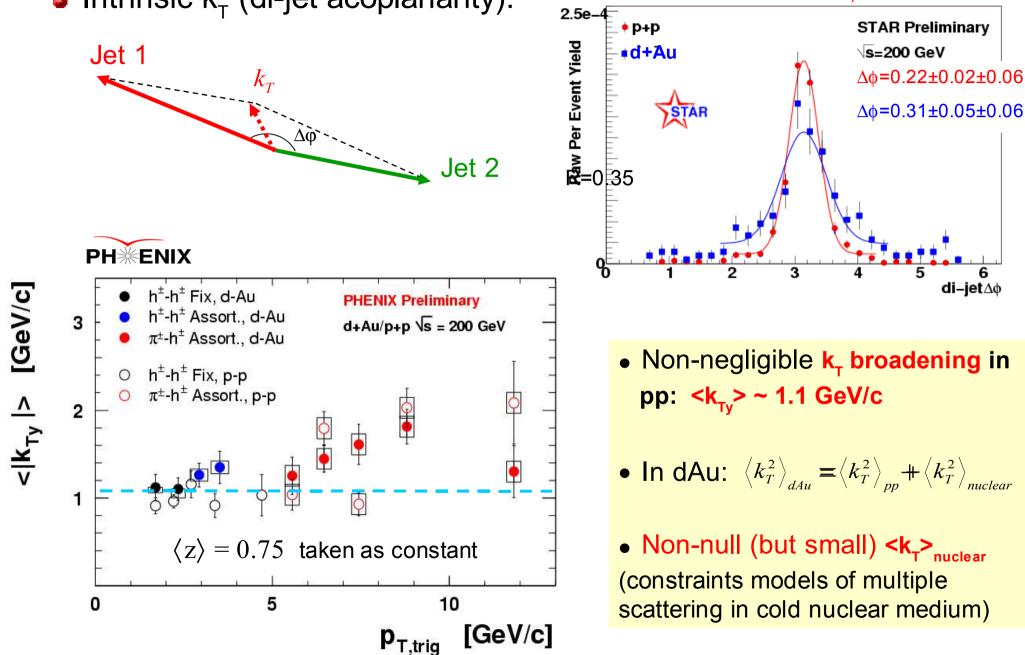




- < j<sub>T</sub>> ~ 500 MeV/c: Agreement between RHIC and ISR data.
- No apparent difference between dAu and pp.
- Fragmentation not affected by cold QCD medium.

# **Di-jet acoplanarity ("intrinsic"** $k_{\tau}$ ) : pp, dAu

Intrinsic k<sub>T</sub> (di-jet acoplanarity):



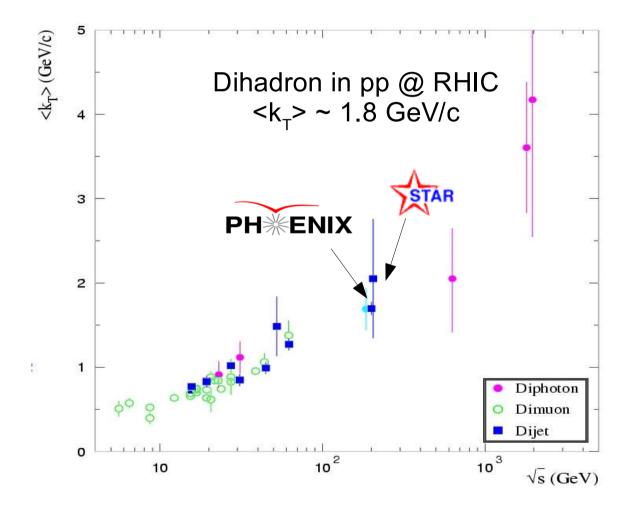
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(from full jet reco: E<sub>1</sub>~13 GeV)

# **Excitation function of pp di-jet acoplanarity ("intrinsic" k\_{T})**

• sqrt(s)-dependence of  $< k_T >_{pair}$ :

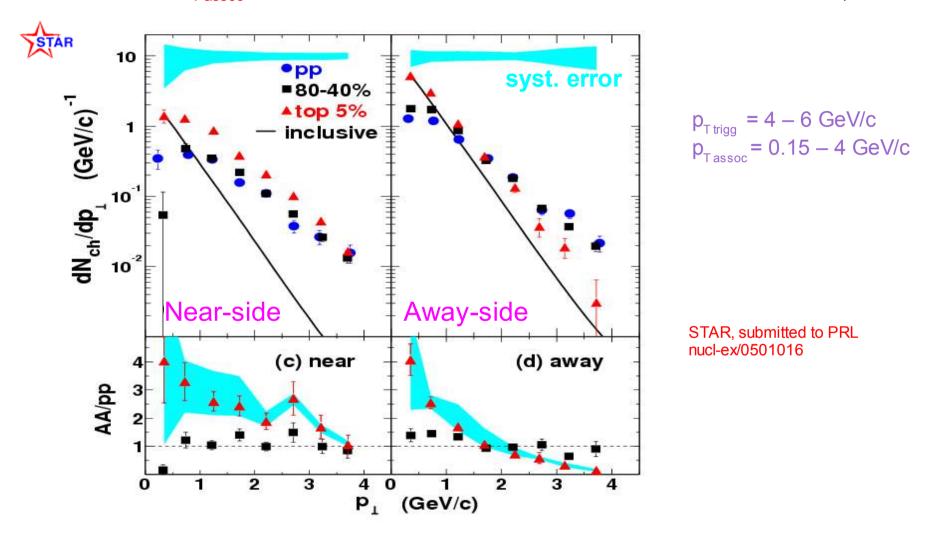


 (Logarithmic) increase with sqrt(s) consistent with growing gluon radiation contribution (not just intrinsic parton Fermi motion).

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# **"Fragmentation functions": Central AuAu**

• Associated ( $p_{Tassoc} = 0.15 - 4 \text{ GeV/c}$ ) near- and away- side hadron  $p_T$  spectra:



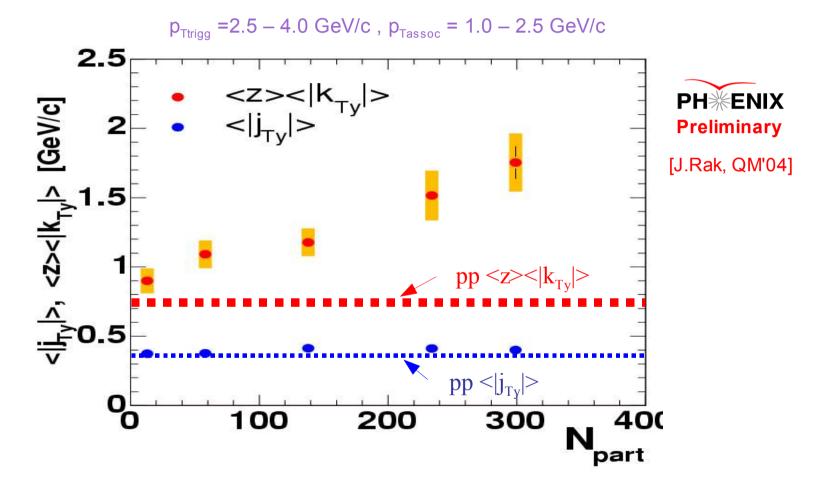
Associated near-side jet yields overall enhanced (enhanced underlying evt.)

Associated away-side jet yields "shifted down" in p<sub>T</sub>: spectra closer to pure "soft" inclusive hadron production ("thermalized")

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# Centrality dependence of AuAu jet properties: j<sub>T</sub>, k<sub>T</sub>

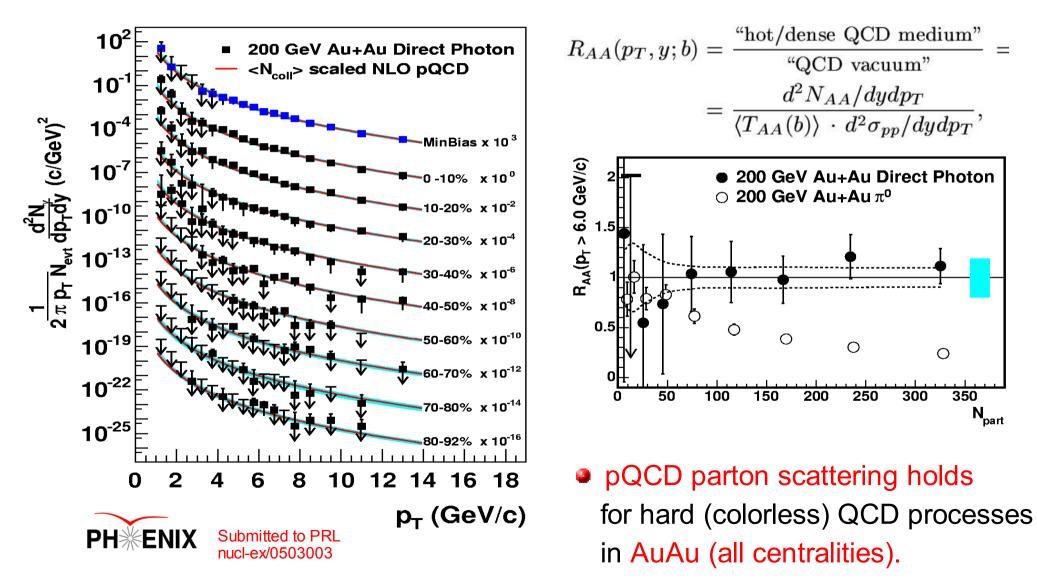
•  $<_{j_T}>_{AUAU} \approx <_{j_T}>_{DD}$ : Near-side fragmentation unaffected by QCD medium.



•  $<k_T>_{AuAu} \approx 3$  GeV/c: Significant  $k_T$  broadening (strongly centrality dependent) indicating substantial final-state rescattering of away-side fragmenting parton.

### **Unquenched direct photons in AuAu collisions**

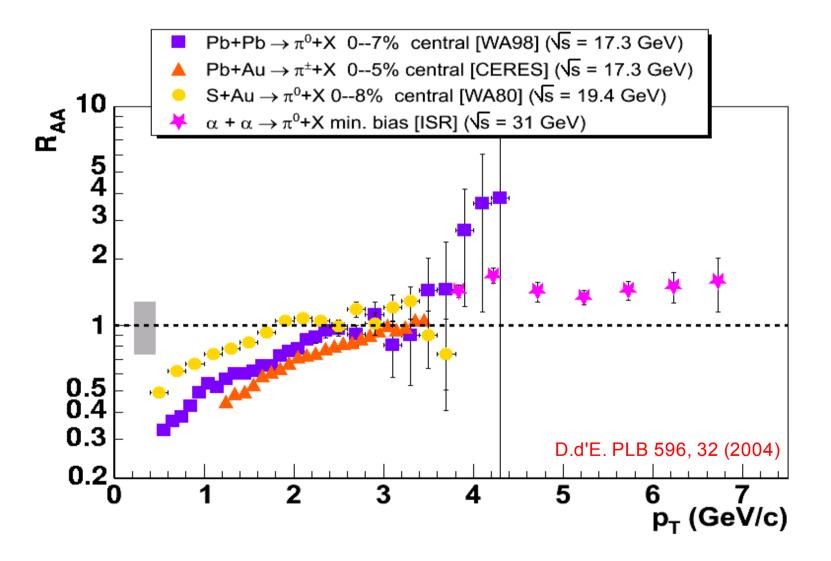
Direct photon production in Au+Au (all centralities) consistent w/ p+p incoherent scattering ("NN-scaled" pQCD) predictions:



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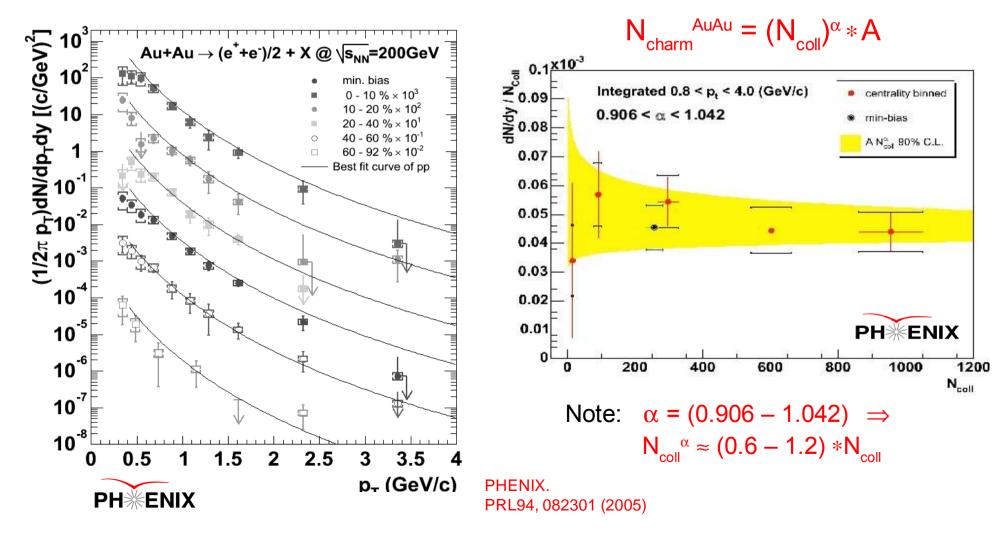
# "N<sub>coll</sub> scaling" in A+A @ 17, 31 GeV: High $p_T$ hadrons

High p<sub>T</sub> π<sup>0</sup> production in (0-10%) central A+A at SPS (and α+α @ ISR) energies consistent w/ "N<sub>coll</sub>-scaling" (or Cronin enhancement):



# Charm production in AuAu: "NN scaling"

- Open-charm (indirect) measurement via semi-leptonic channel:  $D \rightarrow e^{\pm} + X$
- Single e<sup>±</sup> AuAu spectra (p<sub>T</sub> ~ 0.3 2 GeV/c) & total cross-section consistent w/ N<sub>coll</sub> -scaled pp charm production:



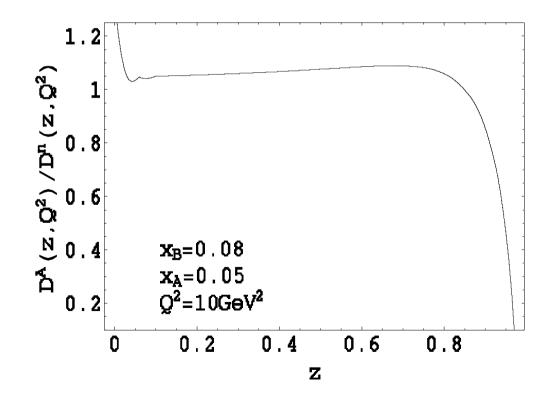
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# High p<sub>T</sub> suppression: charm quark (theory)

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(1) Slow clock for formation time

- (2) Color factor
- (3) Dead cone effect



$$\tau_f^H = \frac{1}{1/\tau_f + (1-z)M^2/2zq^-}$$

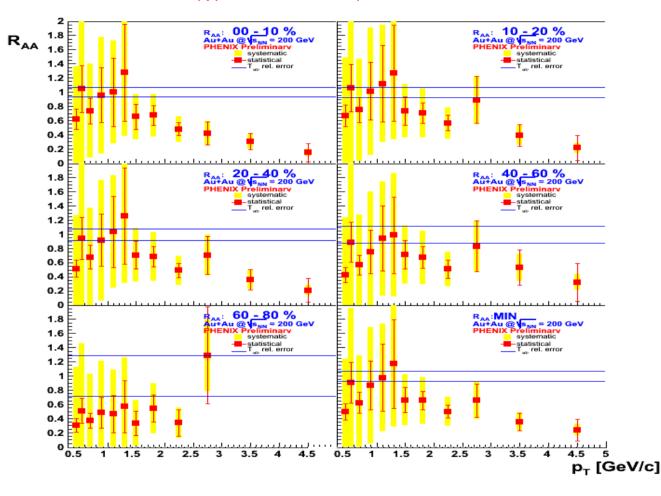
 $\Delta E_q < \Delta E_g, \Delta E_q$ 

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# Charm quark suppression at high $p_{\tau}$ ?

• Latest single  $e^{\pm} R_{AA}$  at higher  $p_{T} < 4.5$  GeV/c (large uncertainties still @ low  $p_{T}$ ):





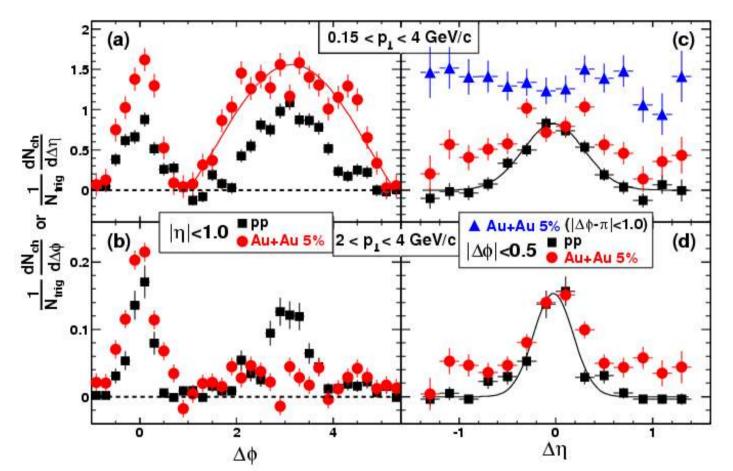
 Suppressed charm production above p<sub>T</sub>~2 GeV/c ?

- New kinematic domain accessible with heavy-Q: Hard production at low p<sub>1</sub>
- $R_{AA}(lo p_T) \sim 1 >> R_{AA}(hi p_T) \sim R_{AA}(\pi^0)$ : Energy loss for <u>fast</u> heavy Q shifts them down to low  $p_T$ ? No en. loss effect for slow Q (flatter charm dN/dp\_T at low  $p_T$ )?

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# "Jet quenching": modified (di)jet structure

• Strongly modified away-side  $dN_{pair}/d \phi$  correlations in central AuAu:



STAR, nucl-ex/0501016.

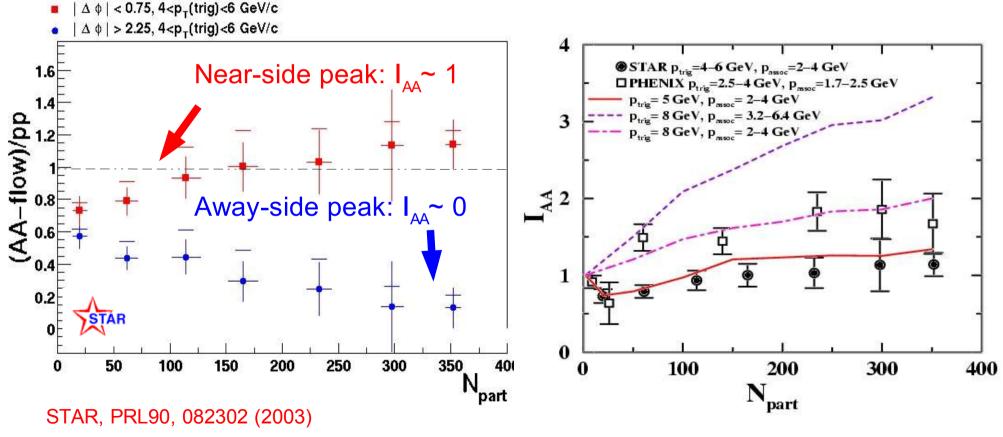
Enhanced and broadened distribution at low pT. Away side suppression at high pT.

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## Dihadron azimuthal correlations: AuAu "mono-jets"

Centrality dependence of near- and away- side correlations "strengths":

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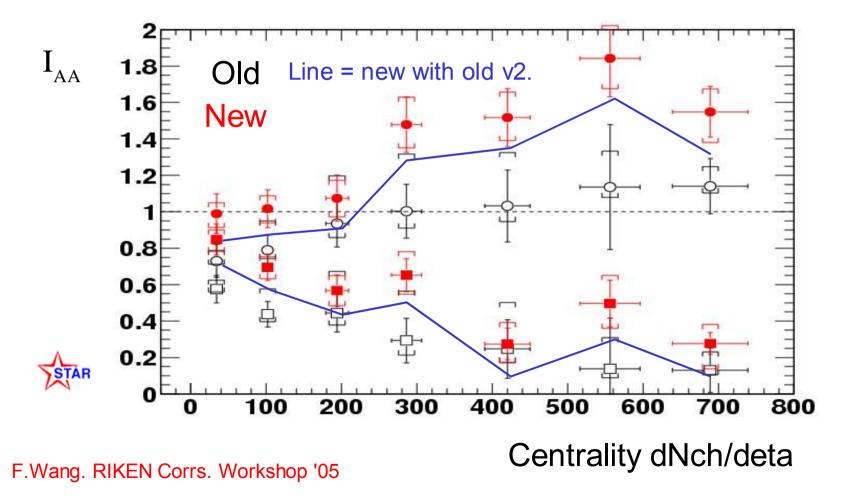


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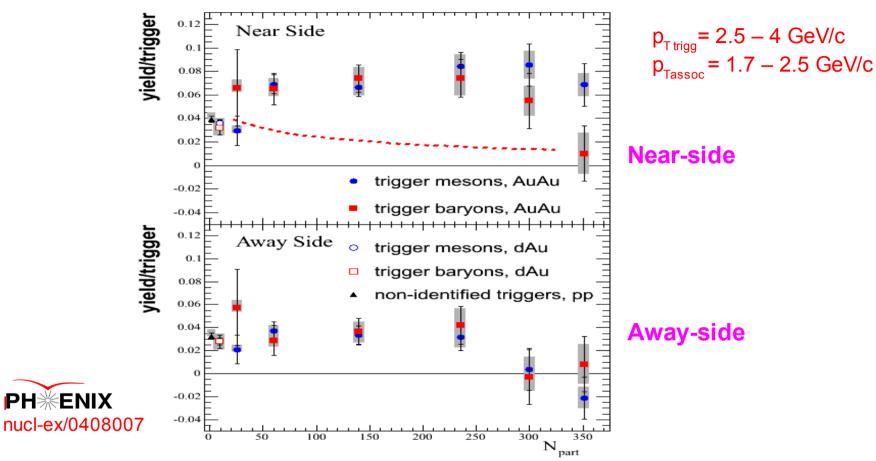
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# "Fragmentation functions": Central AuAu (200 GeV)

Baryon-meson dependence of associated near- and away- side hadron p<sub>T</sub> spectra:

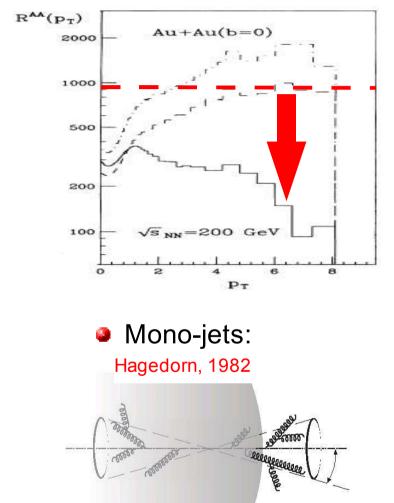


- Associated yields similar for meson & baryon triggers (perhaps weak reduction for baryons in very central collisions).
- Slight increase of associated near-side jet yields in mid-central AuAu.
- Jet-like production but different suppression for leading baryons and mesons !?

# Jet production in AA : (a few) theoretical expectations



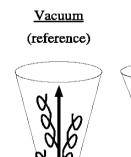
Wang&Gyulassy PRL 68, 1480 (1992)



Medium-modified FFs:
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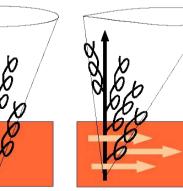
X.N.Wang; Salgado&Wiedem. Arleo, ...

### Jet broadening in eta:





Flowing medium: Anisotropic shape



Armesto et al hep-ph/0405301

+ Valuable diagnostic tools of QCD medium ( $dN^{g}/dy, <q_{0}>, ...$ )

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