

Jet quenching

Hard-scattering probes

Probing the medium

- I will make an artificial distinction of the “medium” and “the probe”
- In fact: both are produced in the collision
 - Medium: The bulk of the particles; dominantly soft production and possibly exhibiting some phase.
 - Probe: Particles whose production is calculable, measurable, and thermally incompatible with (distinct from) the medium.

- The basic idea:



- Things to learn

- Measure the density of the medium
- Is the medium colored (i.e. deconfined) ? Specific pQCD predictions for induced gluon radiation since 1990s



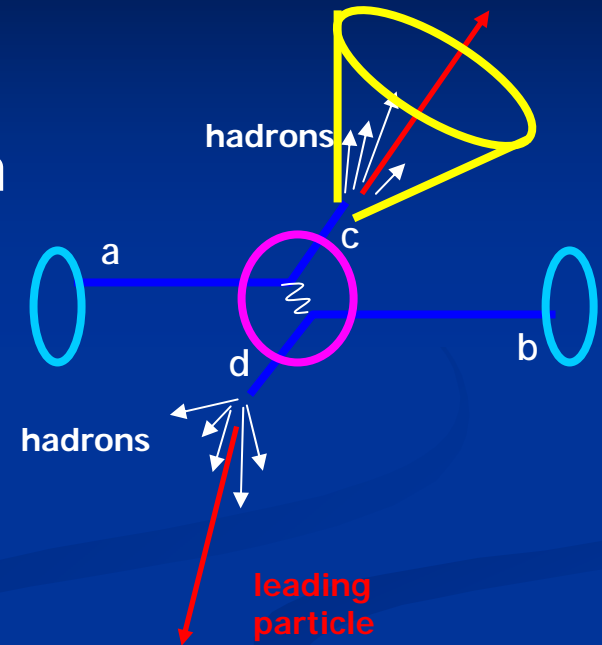
High p_T Particle Production in pp

Jet: A localized collection of hadrons which come from a fragmenting parton

Parton Distribution Functions

Hard-scattering cross-section

Fragmentation Function



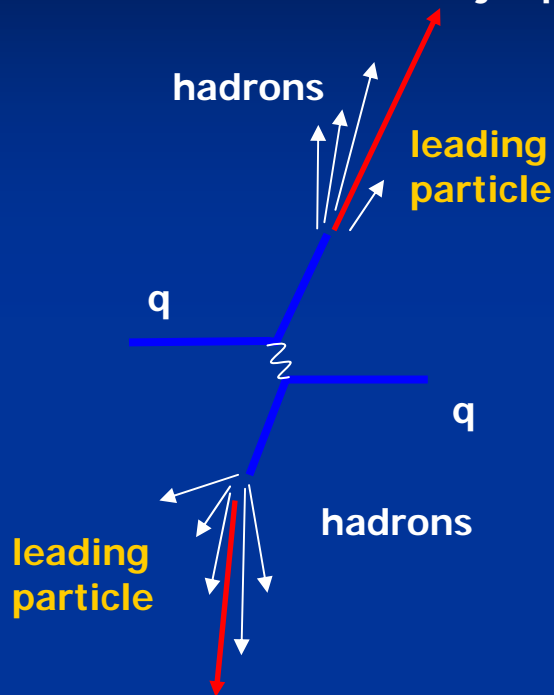
"Collinear factorization"

$$\frac{d\sigma_{pp}^h}{dyd^2p_T} = K \sum_{abcd} \int dx_a dx_b f_a(x_a, Q^2) f_b(x_b, Q^2) \frac{d\sigma}{d\hat{t}}(ab \rightarrow cd) \frac{D_{h/c}^0}{\pi z_c}$$

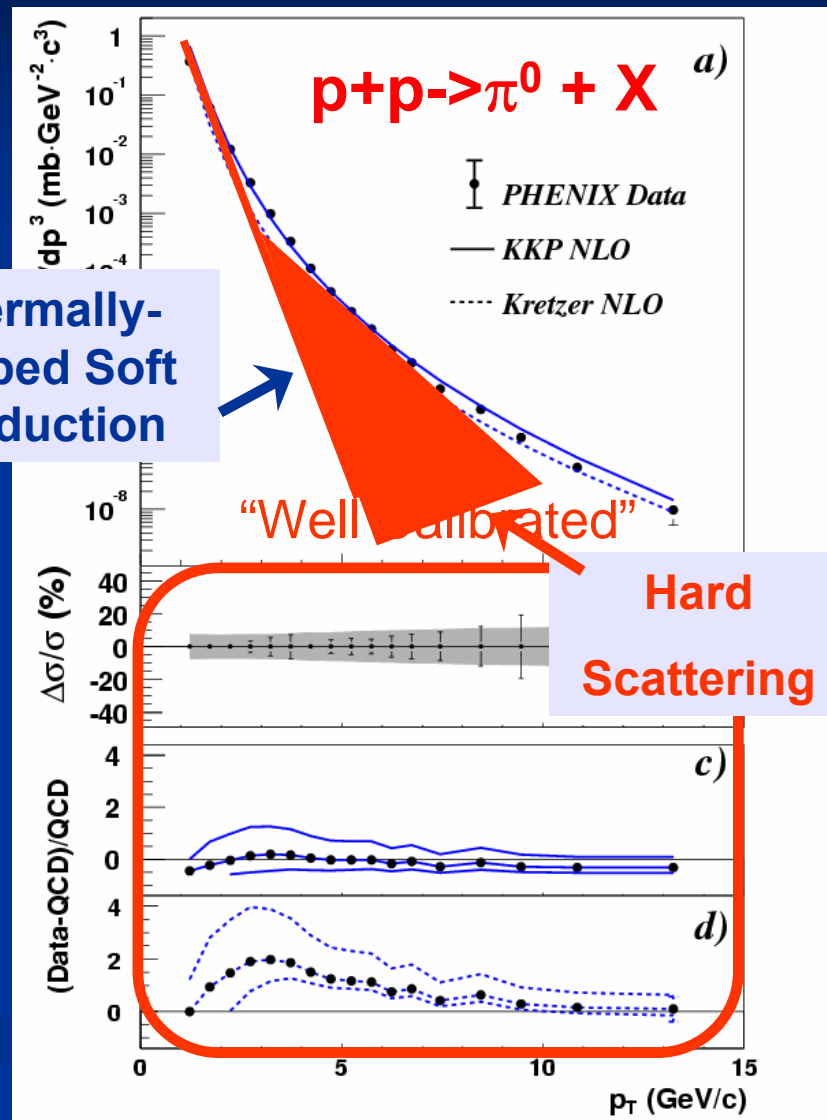


Calibrating the Probe(s)

schematic view of jet production

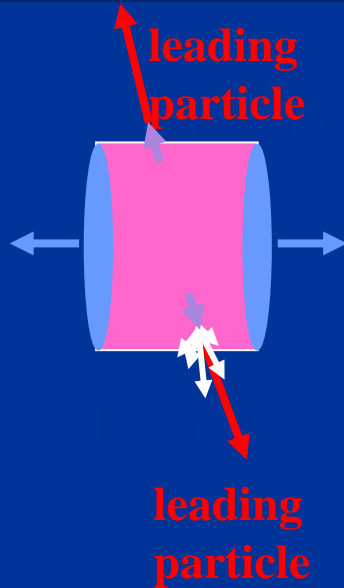


- Measurement from elementary collisions. Leading particles spectra used as a “proxy” to jets.

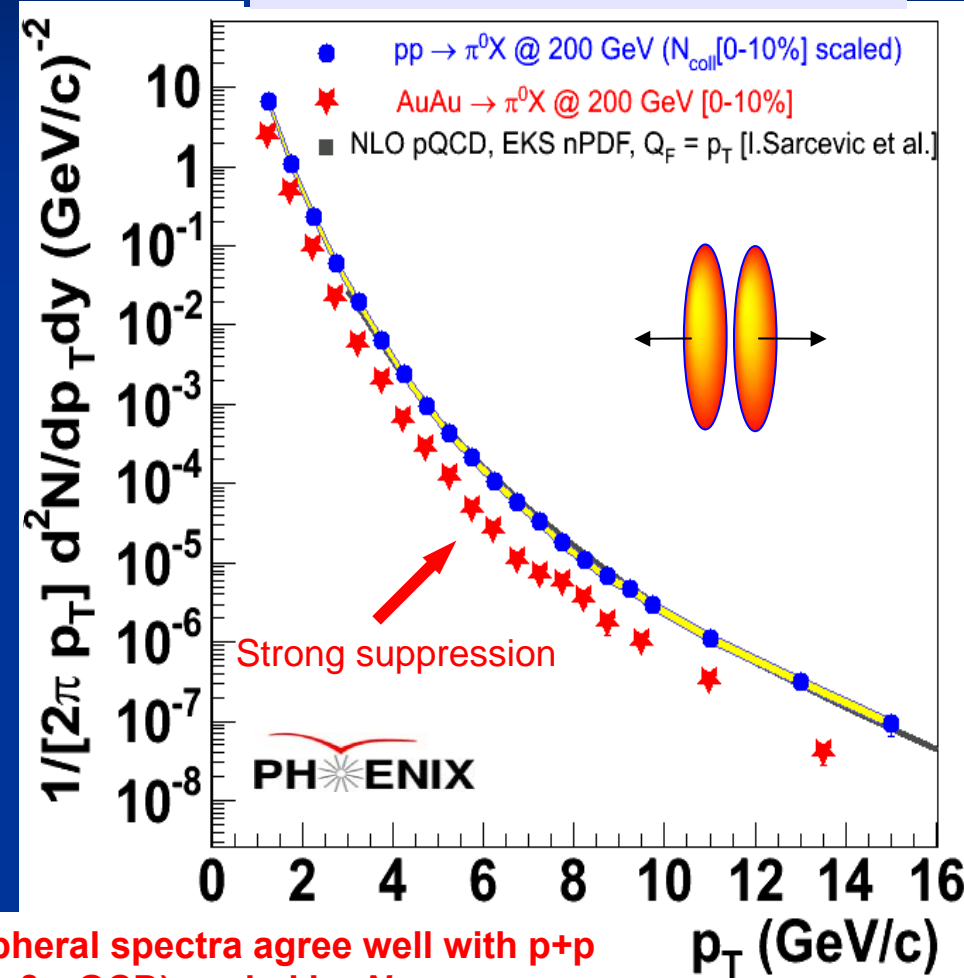


Calibrate the probe and then use it !

- Single-particle spectrum and QCD predictions



Au+Au \rightarrow π^0 + X (central)



Peripheral spectra agree well with p+p (data & pQCD) scaled by N_{coll}

Central data exhibits suppression!



Quantifying the nuclear effect

$$R_{AA} = \frac{\text{yield in A+A/number of equivalent p+p collisions}}{\text{yield in p+p}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\langle n_{coll} \rangle} \frac{d^2 N_{AB}/dy dp_T}{d^2 N_{pp}/dy dp_T} = \frac{1}{\sigma_{pp} \langle T_{AB} \rangle} \frac{d^2 N_{AB}/dy dp_T}{d^2 N_{pp}/dy dp_T}$$



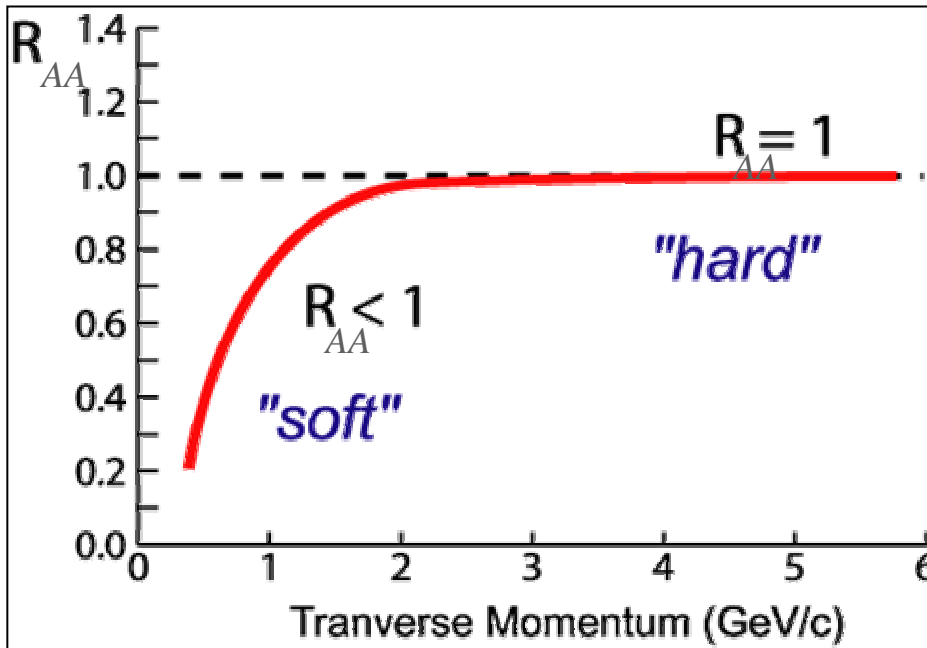
1. Compare Au+Au to nucleon-nucleon cross sections
2. Compare Au+Au central/peripheral

Nuclear Modification Factor:

$$R_{AA}(p_T) = \frac{d^2 N^{AA} / dp_T d\eta}{T_{AA} d^2 \sigma^{NN} / dp_T d\eta}$$

nucleon-nucleon cross section

$$\langle N_{\text{binary}} \rangle / \sigma_{\text{inel}}^{p+p}$$



If no “effects”:

$R_{AA} < 1$ in regime of soft physics
 $R_{AA} = 1$ at high- p_T where hard scattering dominates

Suppression:

$R_{AA} < 1$ at high- p_T

Suppression of high- p_T hadrons in AuAu collisions

Peripheral



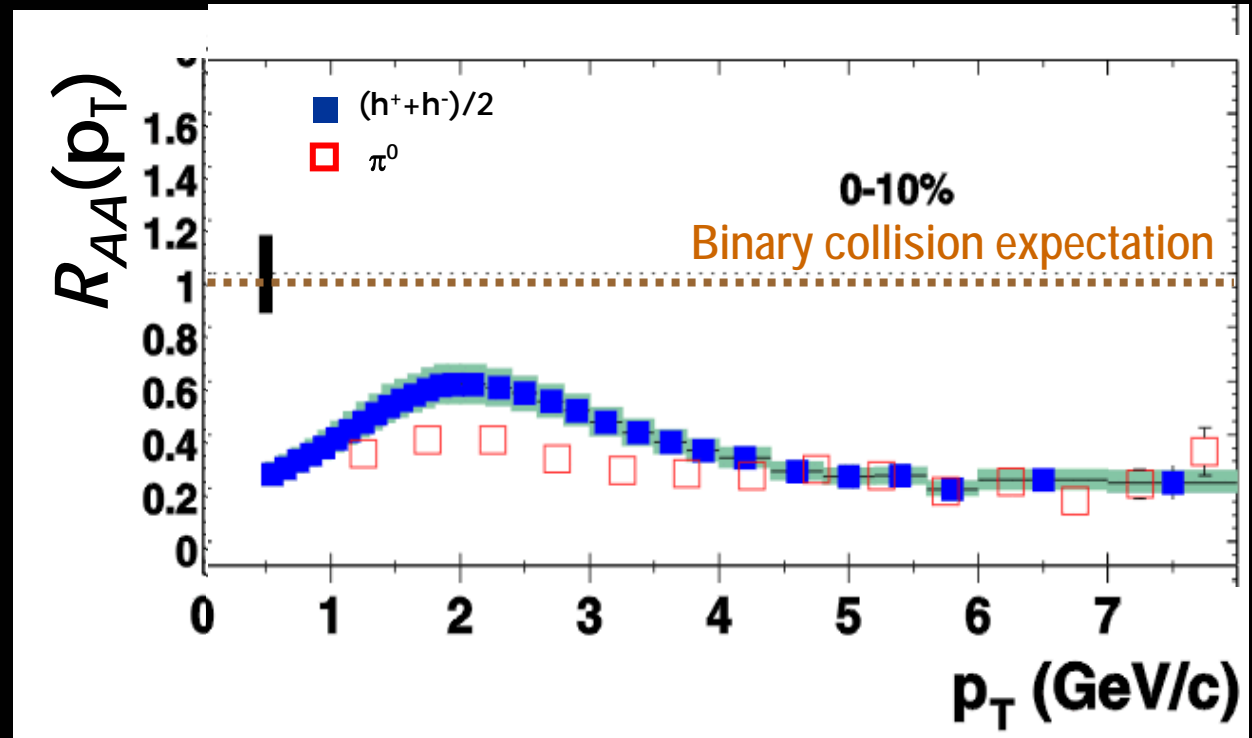
Mid-Central



Central



$$R_{AA} = \frac{\text{Yield}_{\text{AuAu}}}{\langle N_{\text{binary}} \rangle_{\text{AuAu}} \text{Yield}_{\text{pp}}}$$



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→ See a strong suppression of high p_T yields in AuAu Central Collisions

High p_T Particle Production in A+A: why suppressed?

$$\frac{dN_{AB}^h}{dy d^2 p_T} = ABK \sum_{abcd} \int dx_a dx_b \int d^2 \mathbf{k}_a d^2 \mathbf{k}_b$$

(pQCD context...)

$$\otimes f_{a/A}(x_a, Q^2) f_{b/B}(x_b, Q^2)$$

Parton Distribution Functions

$$\otimes g(\mathbf{k}_a) g(\mathbf{k}_b)$$

Intrinsic k_T , Cronin Effect

$$\otimes S_A(x_a, Q_a^2) S_B(x_b, Q_b^2)$$

Shadowing, EMC Effect

$$\otimes \frac{d\sigma}{d\hat{t}}(ab \rightarrow cd)$$

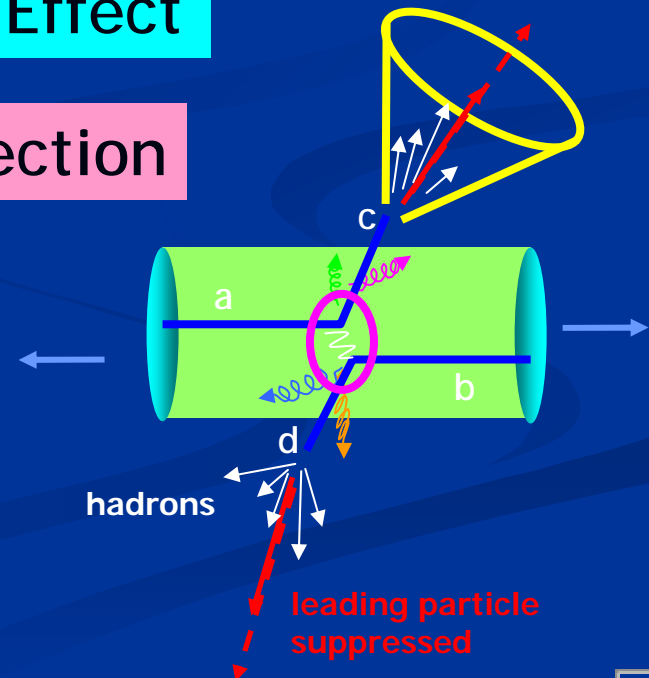
Hard-scattering cross-section

$$\otimes \int_0^1 d\varepsilon P(\varepsilon) \frac{z_c^*}{z_c}$$

Partonic Energy Loss

$$\otimes \frac{D_{h/c}^0(z_c^*, Q_c^2)}{\pi z_c}$$

Fragmentation Function

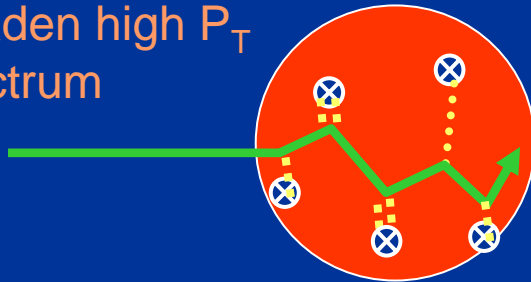


Initial state effect I: Cronin enhancement

- Multiple scattering in the initial state leads to p_T smearing and then enhancement

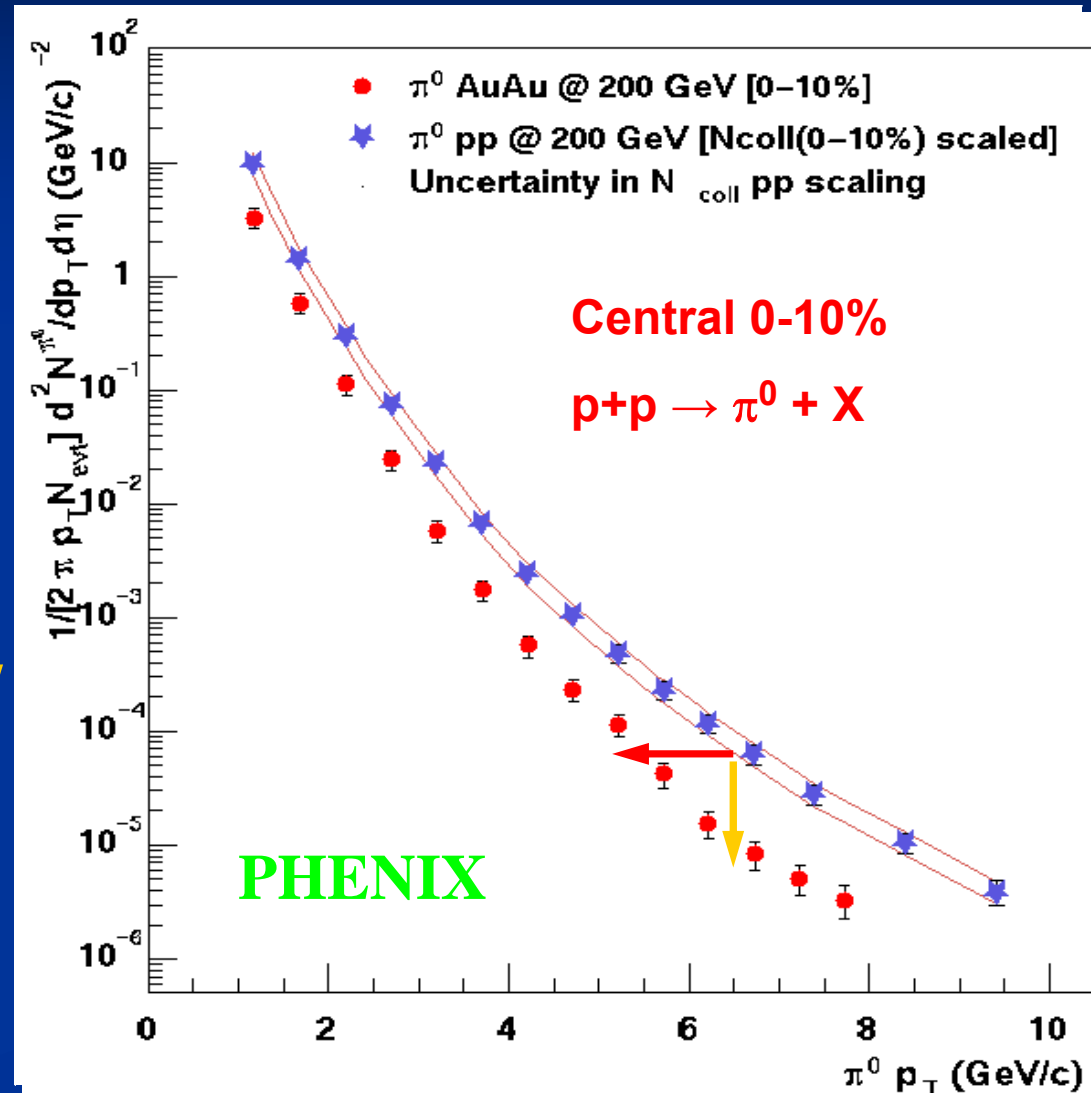
Cronin Effect:

Multiple Collisions
broaden high P_T
spectrum

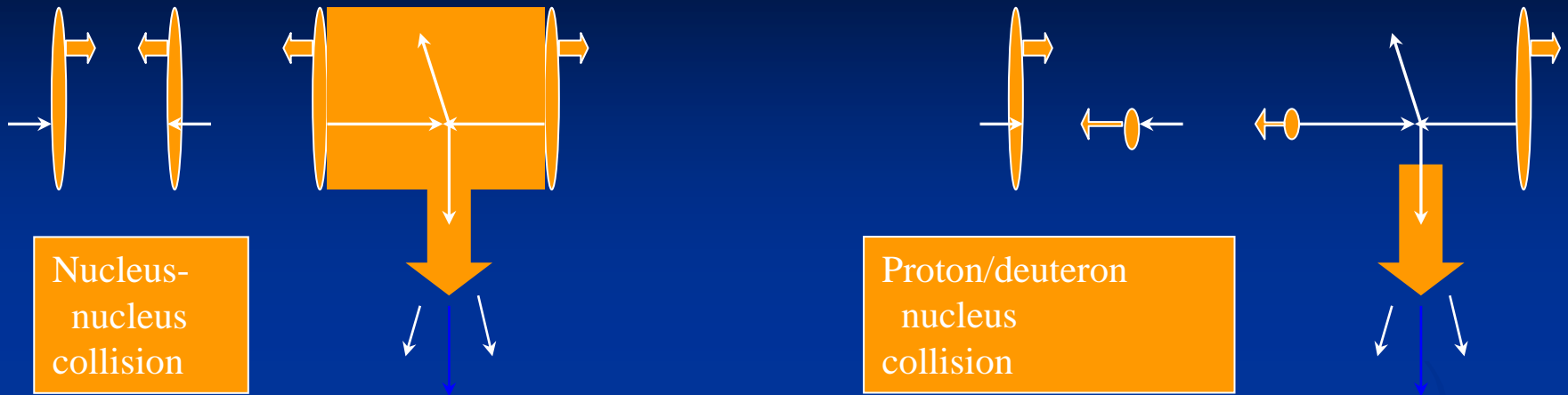


Initial vs final state suppression

- Calibrating the probes-
pp reference data
-agrees with NLO pQCD
- Peripheral Collisions
-Scale with Ncoll
- Central Collisions
DO NOT SCALE!
- Is it
 - Suppression of
low-x gluons in
the initial state?
 - Energy loss in
a new state of
matter?



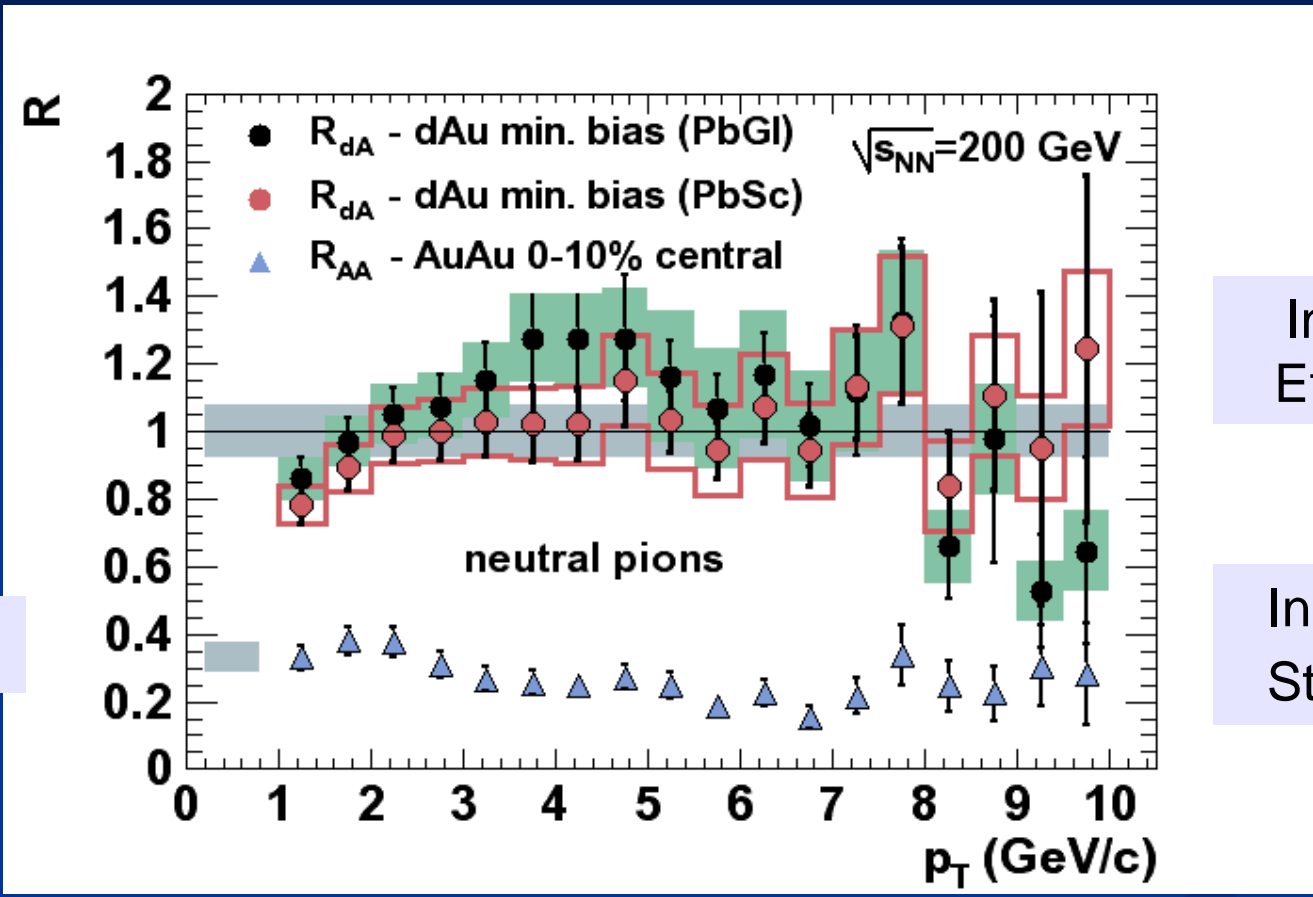
d+Au Control Experiment



- Collisions of small with large nuclei were always foreseen as necessary to quantify **cold** nuclear matter effects.
- Recent theoretical work on the “Color Glass Condensate” model provides alternative explanation of data:
 - **Jets are not quenched, but are a priori made in fewer numbers.**
 - **Color Glass Condensate** hep-ph/0212316; Kharzeev, Levin, Nardi, Gribov, Ryshkin, Mueller, Qiu, McLerran, Venugopalan, Balitsky, Kovchegov, Kovner, Iancu
- Small + Large distinguishes **all** initial and final state effects.



R_{AA} vs. R_{dA} for Identified π^0



d+Au

Initial State Effects Only

Au+Au

Initial + Final State Effects

d-Au results rule out CGC as the explanation for Jet Suppression at Central Rapidity and high p_T

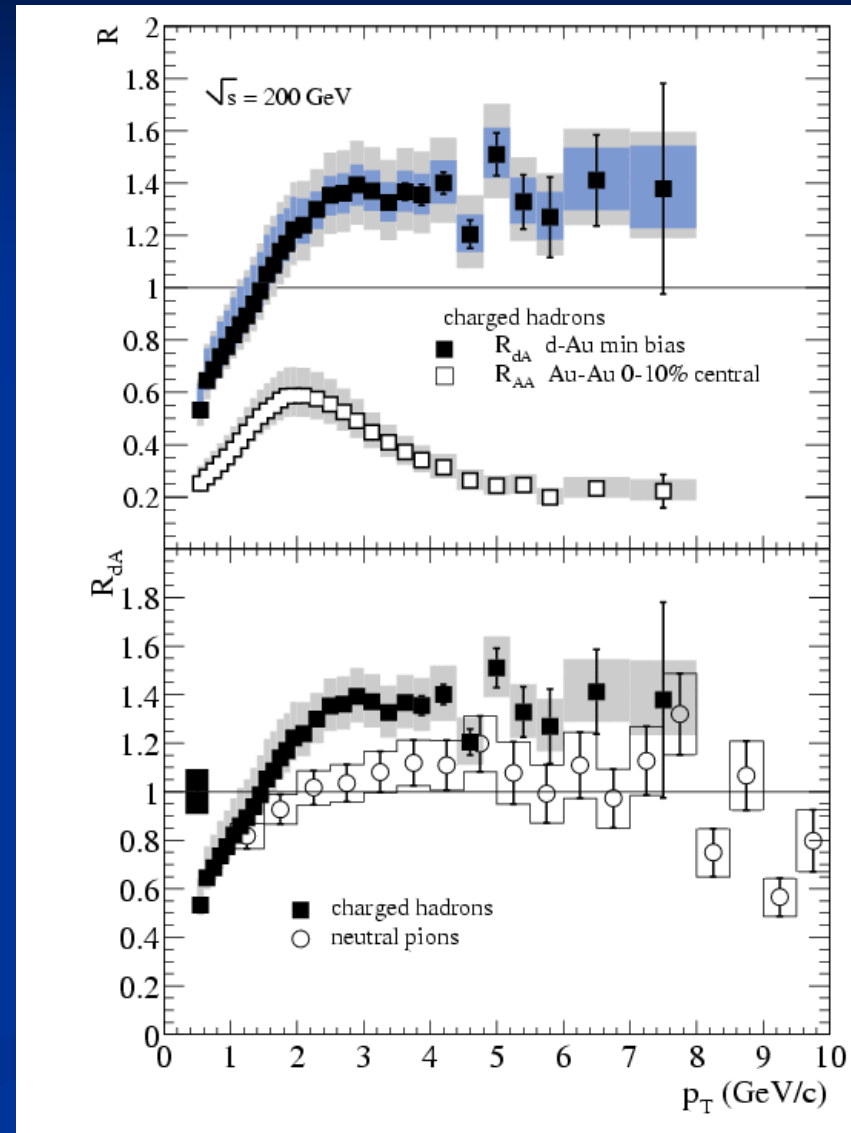
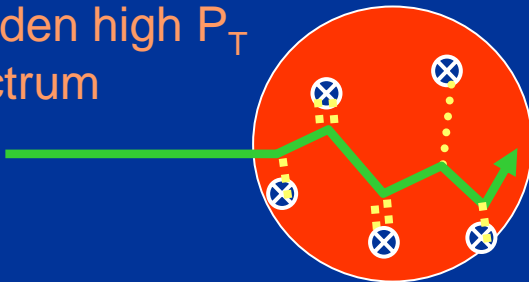


Charged Hadron Results

- Striking difference of d+Au and Au+Au results.
- Charged Hadrons higher than neutral pions.

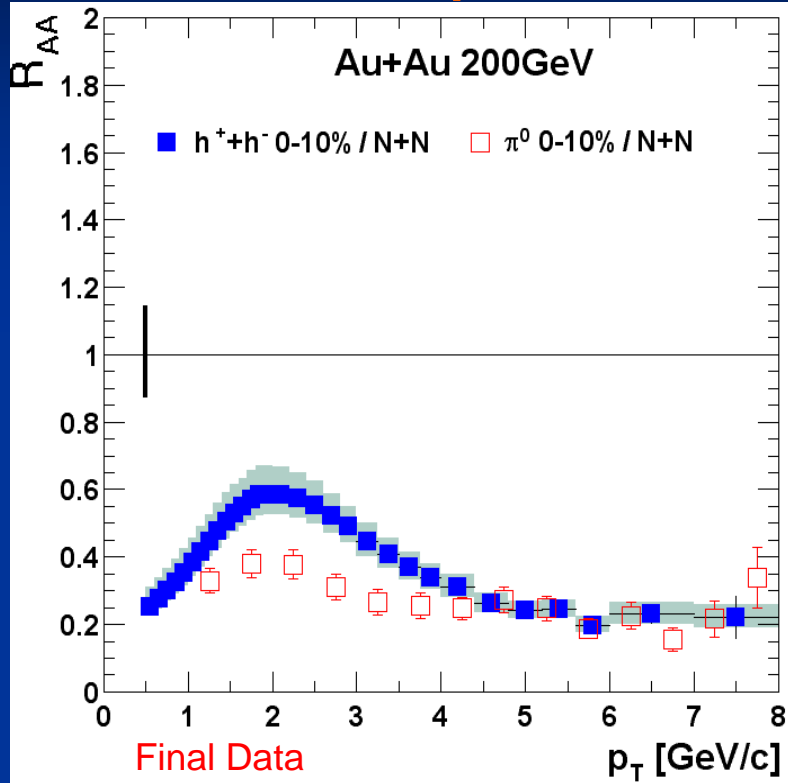
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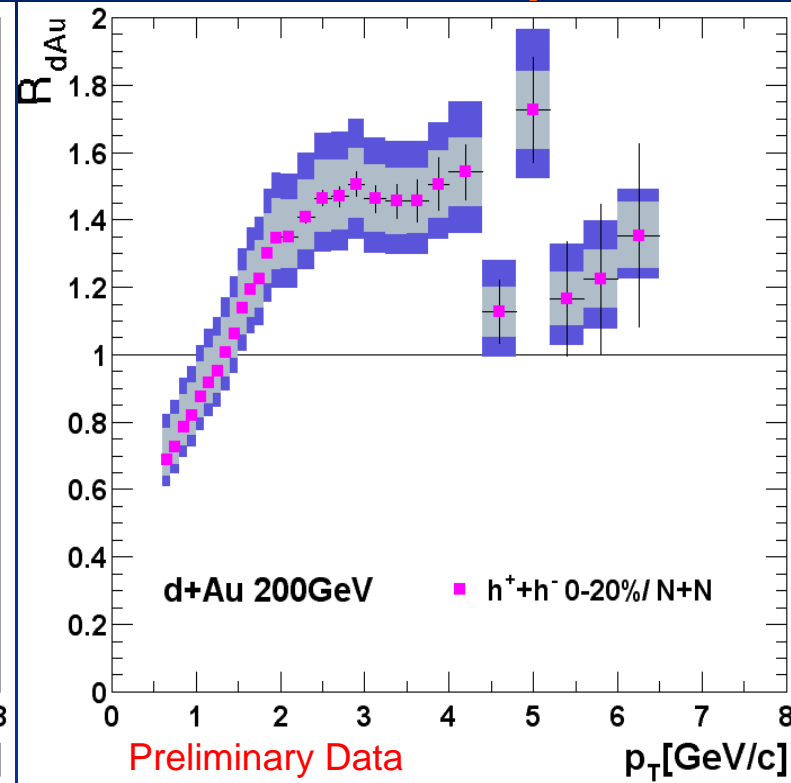


Centrality Dependence

Au + Au Experiment



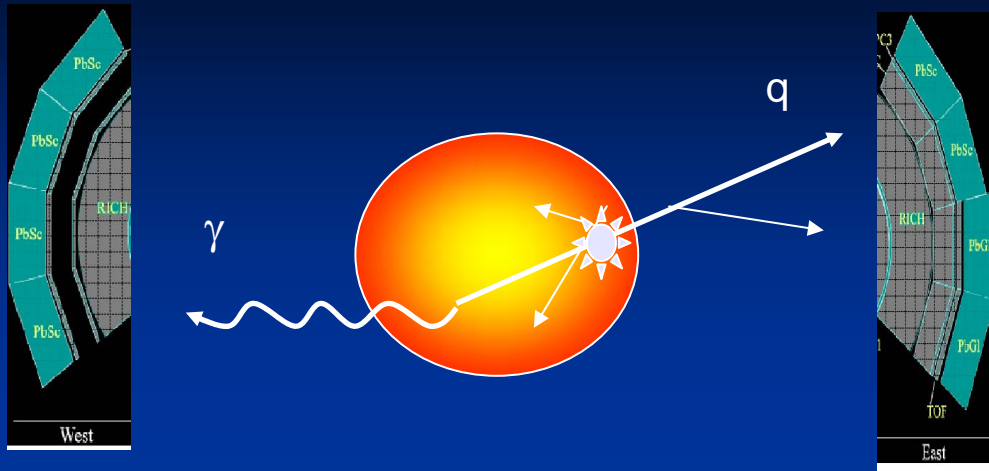
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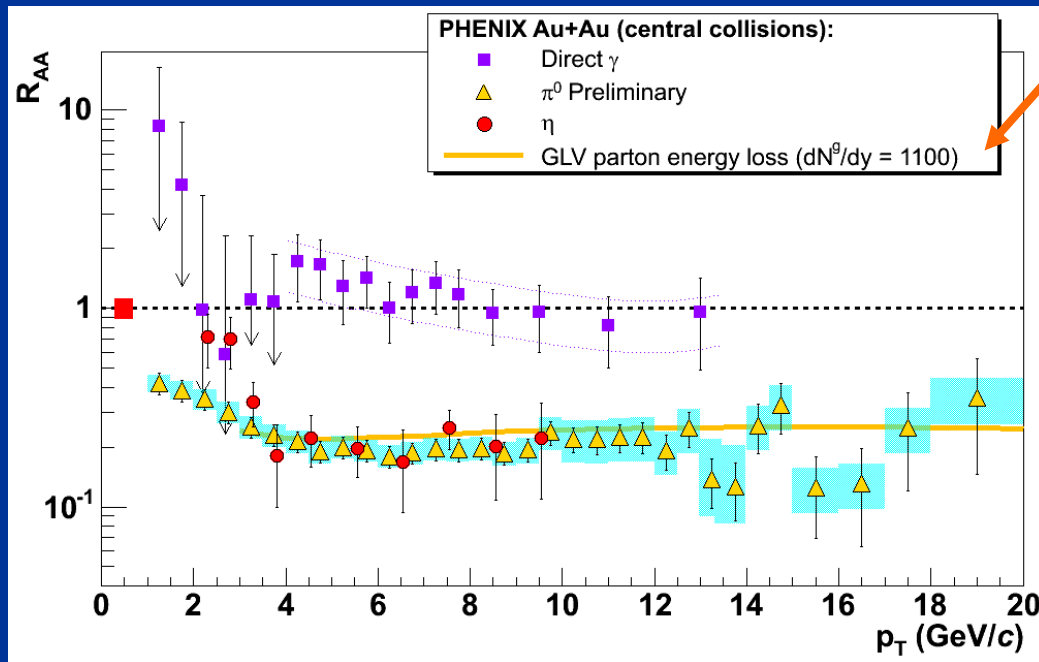
- Dramatically different and opposite centrality evolution of Au+Au experiment from d+Au control.
- Jet Suppression is clearly a final state effect.



Control experiment: colorless probe



Confirm that jet quenching is due to energy loss in the medium. Deduce the medium density.



Photons shine !

Pions and etas – suppressed !

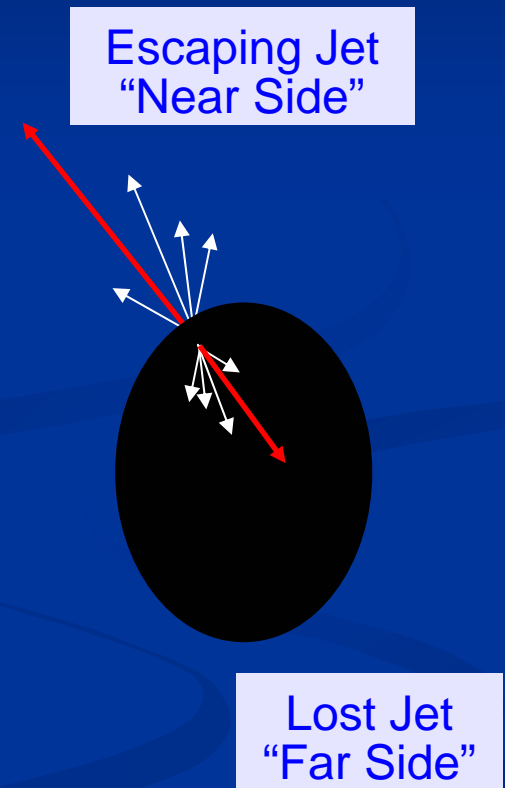


Back to back jets (di-jets)

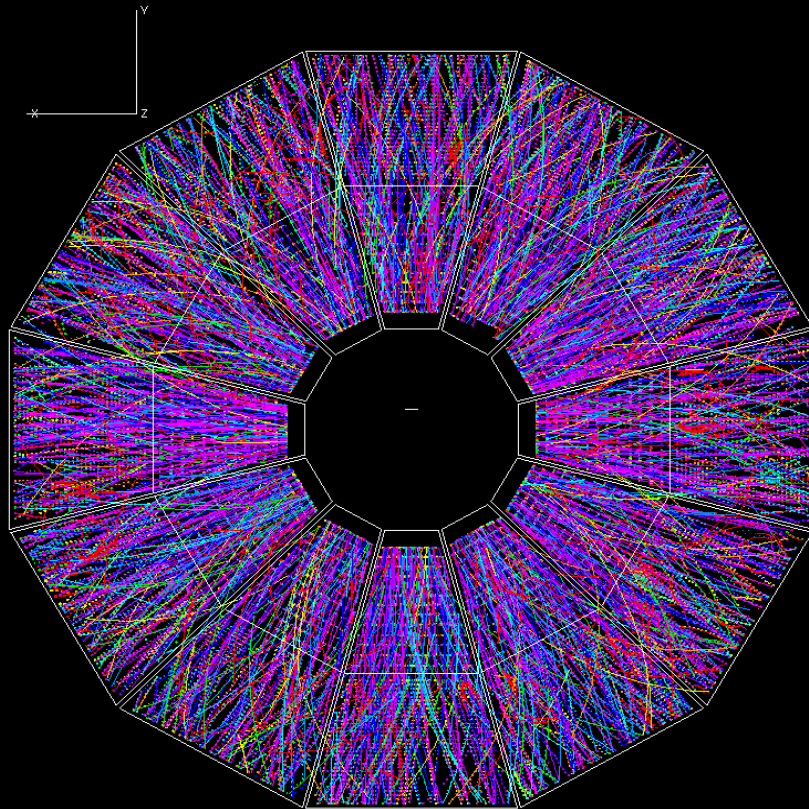
single particle spectra tell you a lot, but you should be able to learn even more from di-jets



Tomographic information on the medium



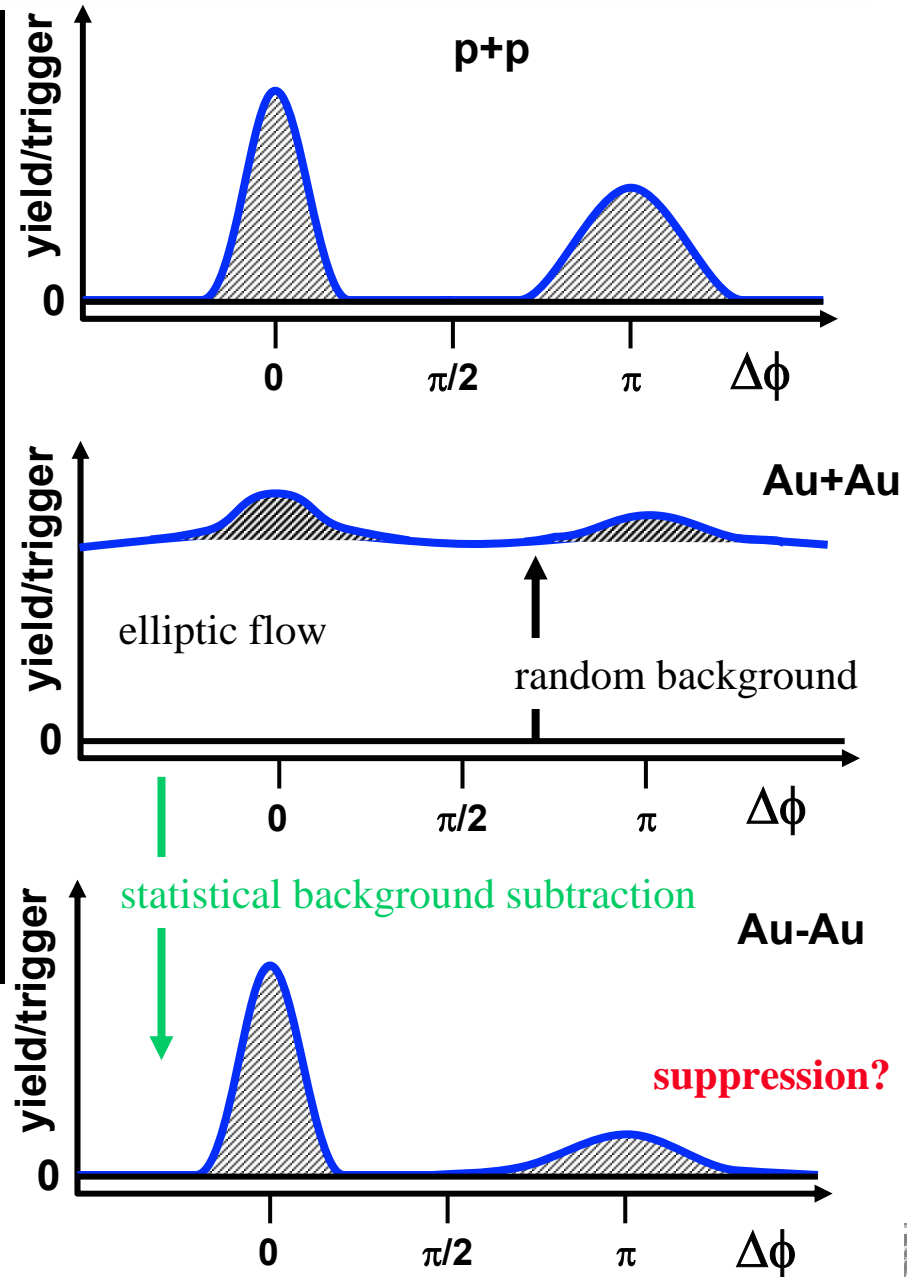
Azimuthal Correlations from Jets



Au+Au → ???

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Jet correlations in Au-Au via statistical background subtraction

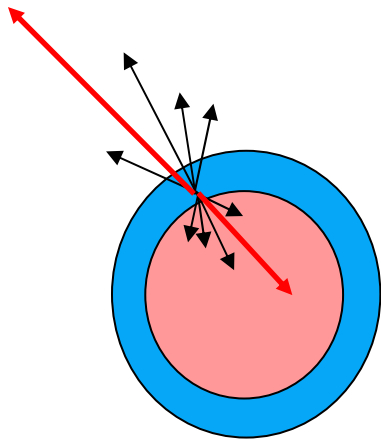


Disappearance of the “Away-Side” Jet

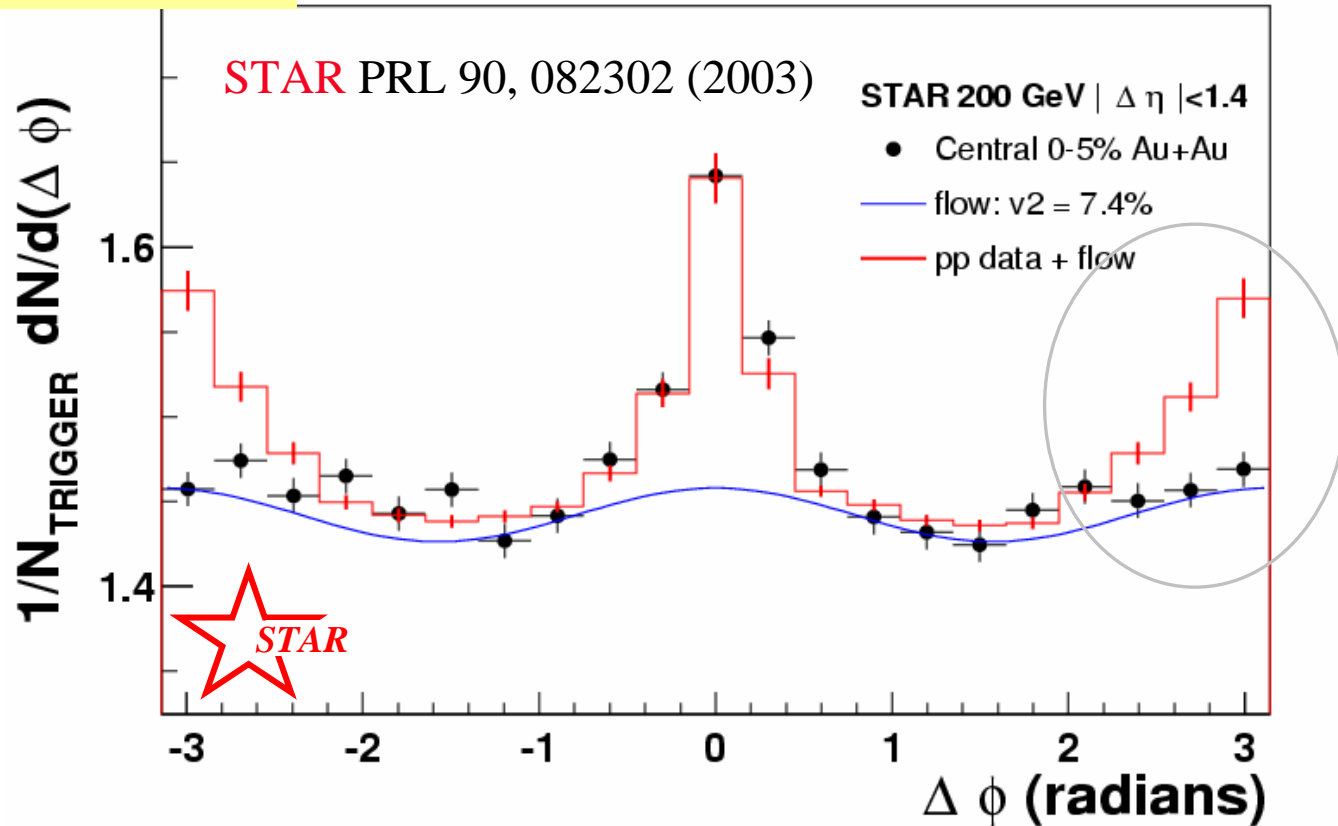
Azimuthal angular correlation of charged particles

Escaping Jet
“Near Side”

Central Au + Au



Lost Jet
“Away Side”



Suppression of away side jet in central Au+Au collisions



Jet quenching: conclusions

- Strong suppression of high- p_T hadrons and disappearance of the away-side jet in central AuAu
- No such effects in dAu
- No suppression of photons in AuAu
- \Rightarrow Jet quenching is due to final state (the presence of medium)
- The medium is extremely dense : $dN/dy(\text{gluons}) \sim 1000$ – indicative of QGP

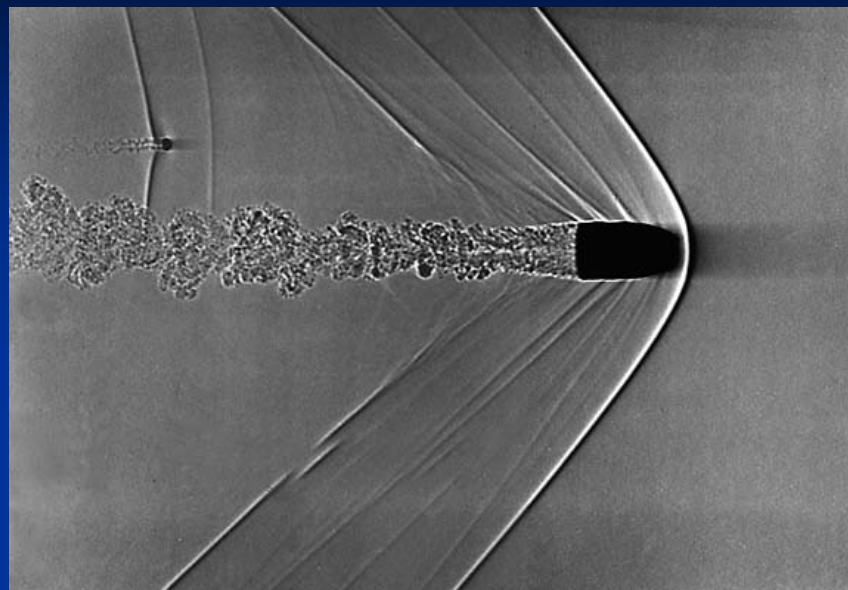




Splash!



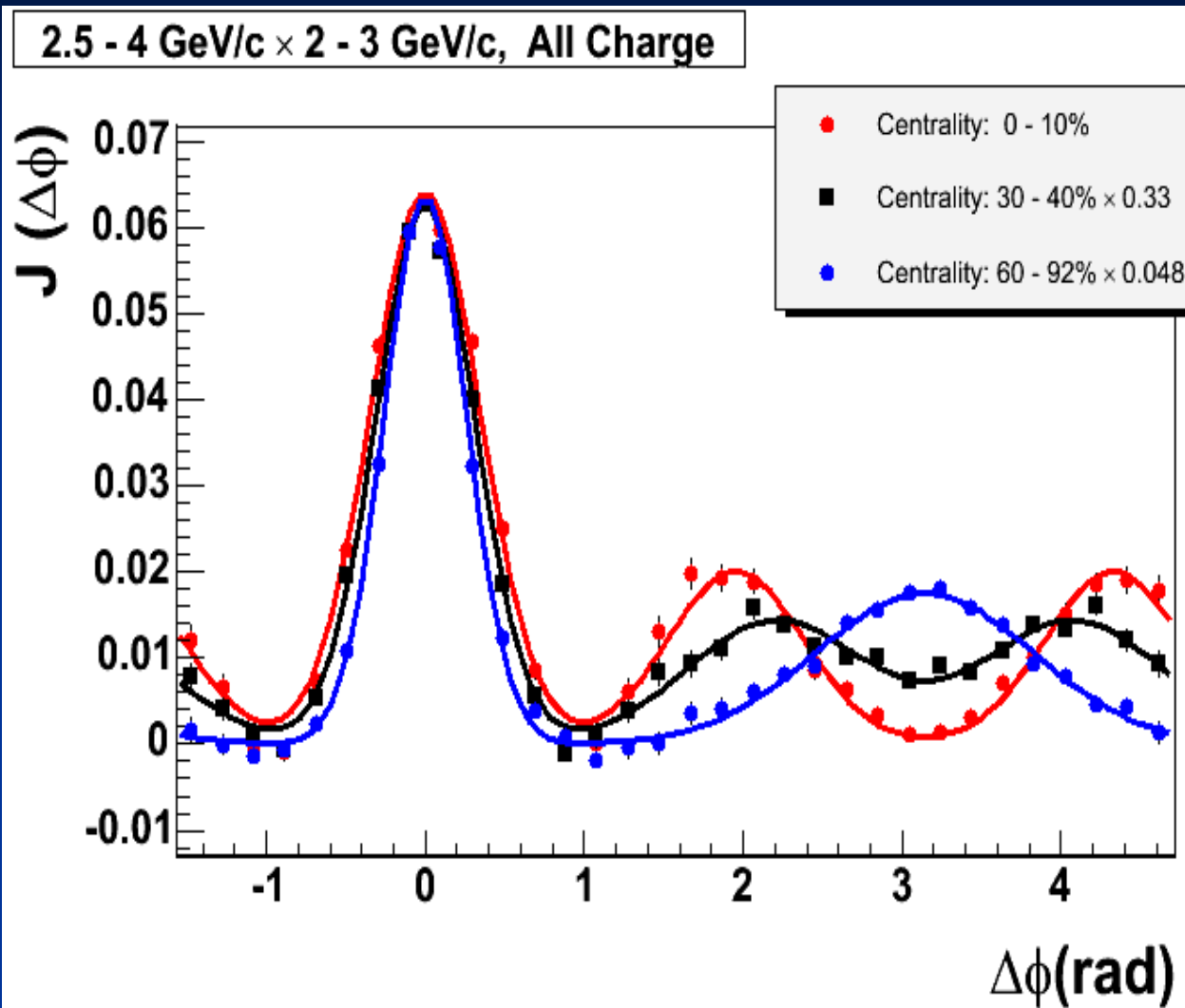
Shock waves ?



- It looks like the medium quenches the jets, but it also responds to the propagation of the fast moving parton
- If you look closely, you will find the lost energy at lower momenta !
- And ... it looks like we have a tool to measure the speed of sound in QGP !

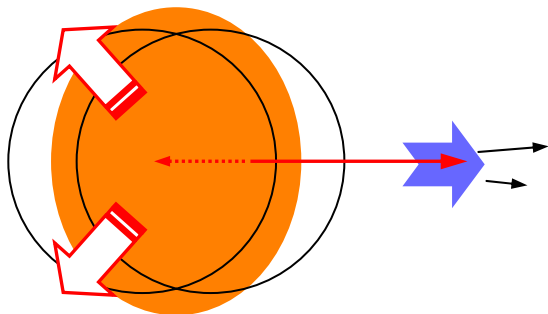
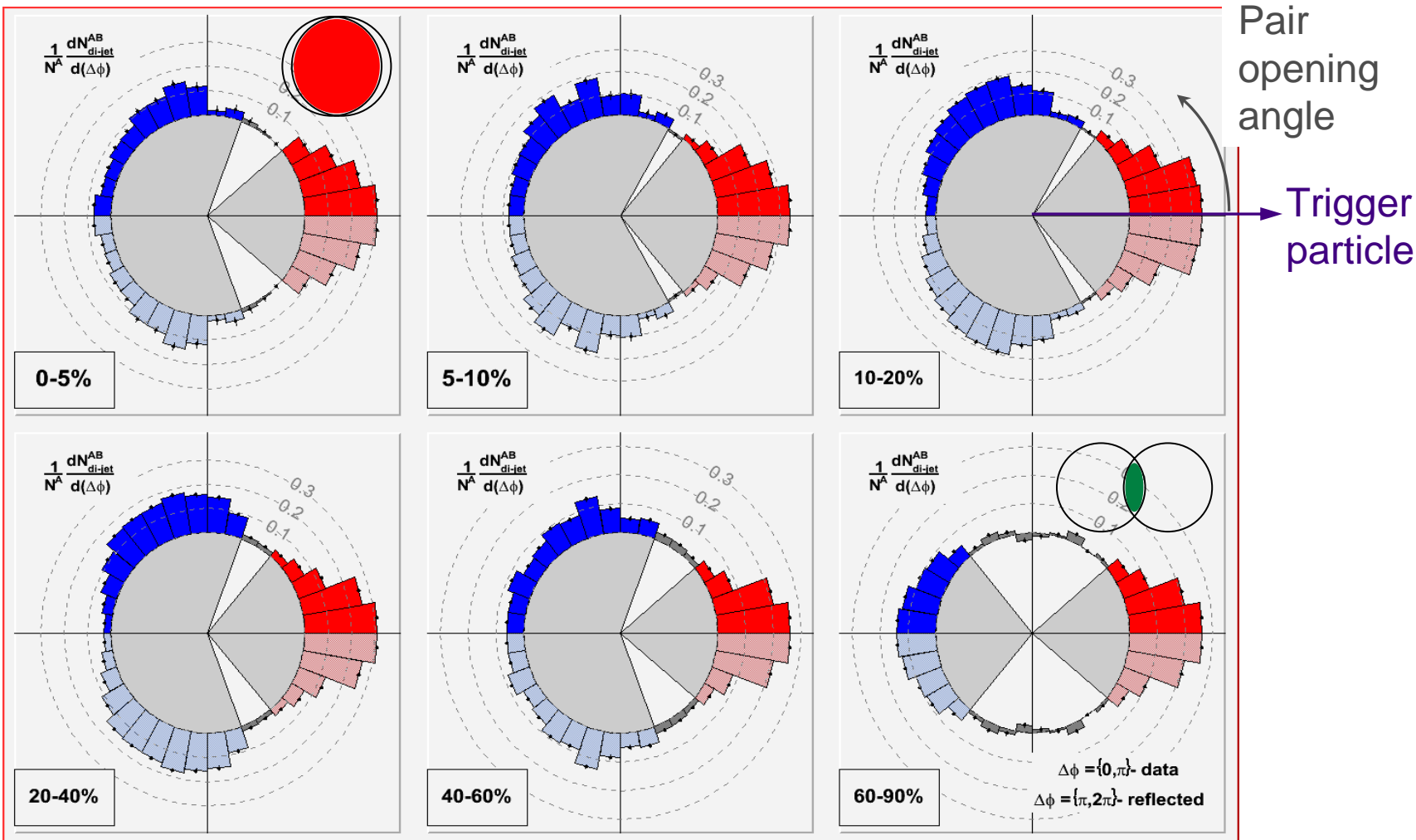


Here is what the data look like



- The shapes of jets are modified by the matter.
 - Mach cone?
 - Cerenkov?
- Can the properties of the matter be measured from the shape?
 - Sound velocity
 - Di-electric constant
- Di-jet tomography is a powerful tool to probe the matter

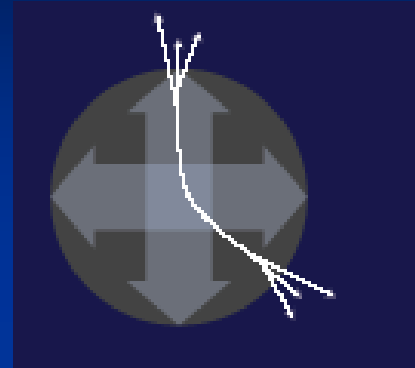
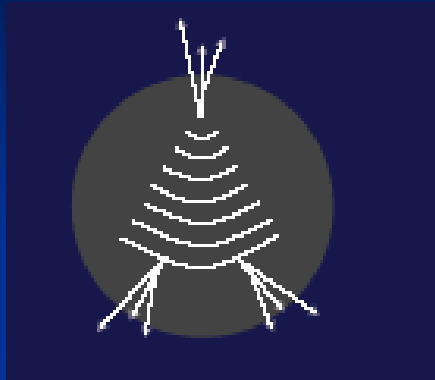




Suggestive of...

Cherenkov cones?
Mach cones?

Other ideas: shock waves vs bent jets



- Jets maybe deflected due to the radial flow in the medium
- Testable via 3-particle correlations
- Present data (not yet conclusively) supports Mach cones

