

# Jet Reconstruction at STAR

in p+p and d+Au collisions

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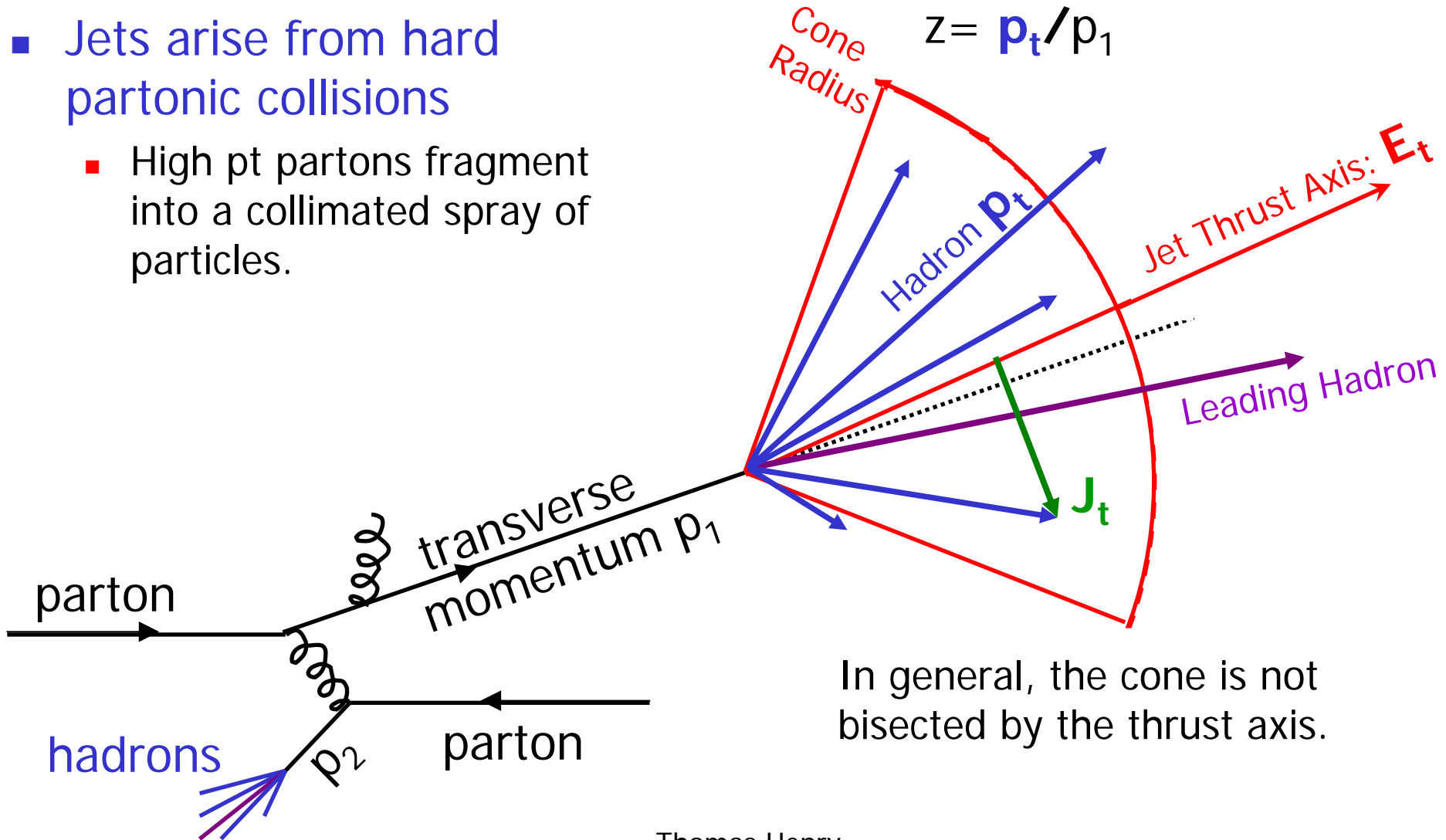


# Outline

- Introduction
- Inclusive jet studies
- Dijet studies
- Dihadron studies

# What is a Jet?

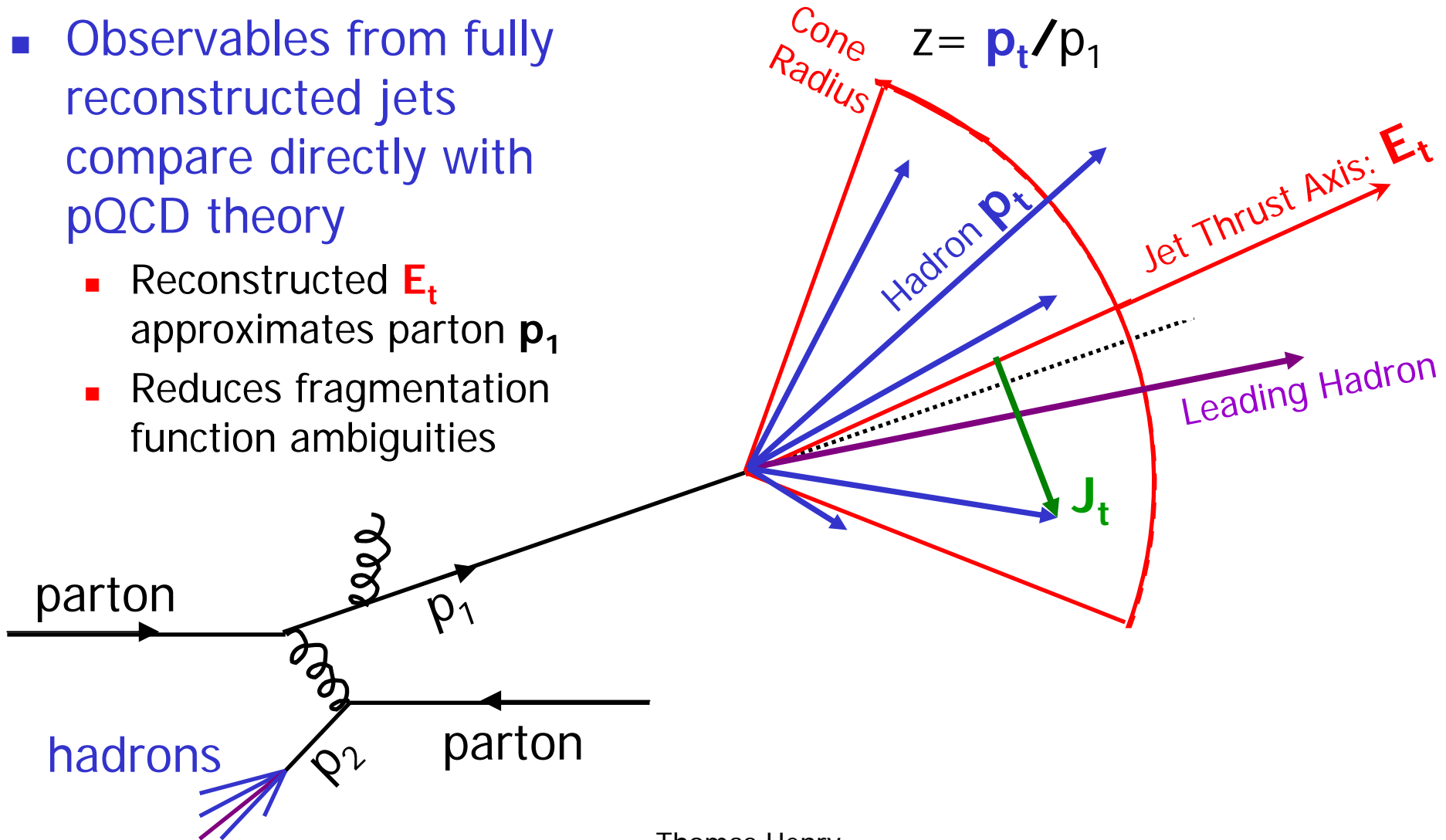
- Jets arise from hard partonic collisions
  - High  $p_t$  partons fragment into a collimated spray of particles.



# Why is Jet Reconstruction Important?

- Observables from fully reconstructed jets compare directly with pQCD theory

- Reconstructed  $\mathbf{E}_t$  approximates parton  $\mathbf{p}_1$
- Reduces fragmentation function ambiguities

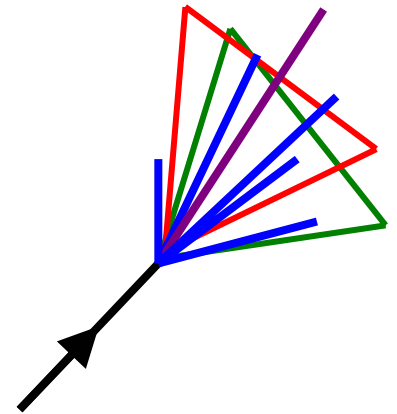


# Jets in p+p, d+Au, and Au+Au

- p+p leads to  $J_t$  and intrinsic  $k_t$
- d+Au leads to intrinsic  $k_t$  + nuclear  $k_t$
- Au+Au jets cannot be fully reconstructed due to huge multiplicity
  - Di- (and multi-) hadron correlations necessary
  - p+p and d+Au jet reconstruction calibrates these correlations

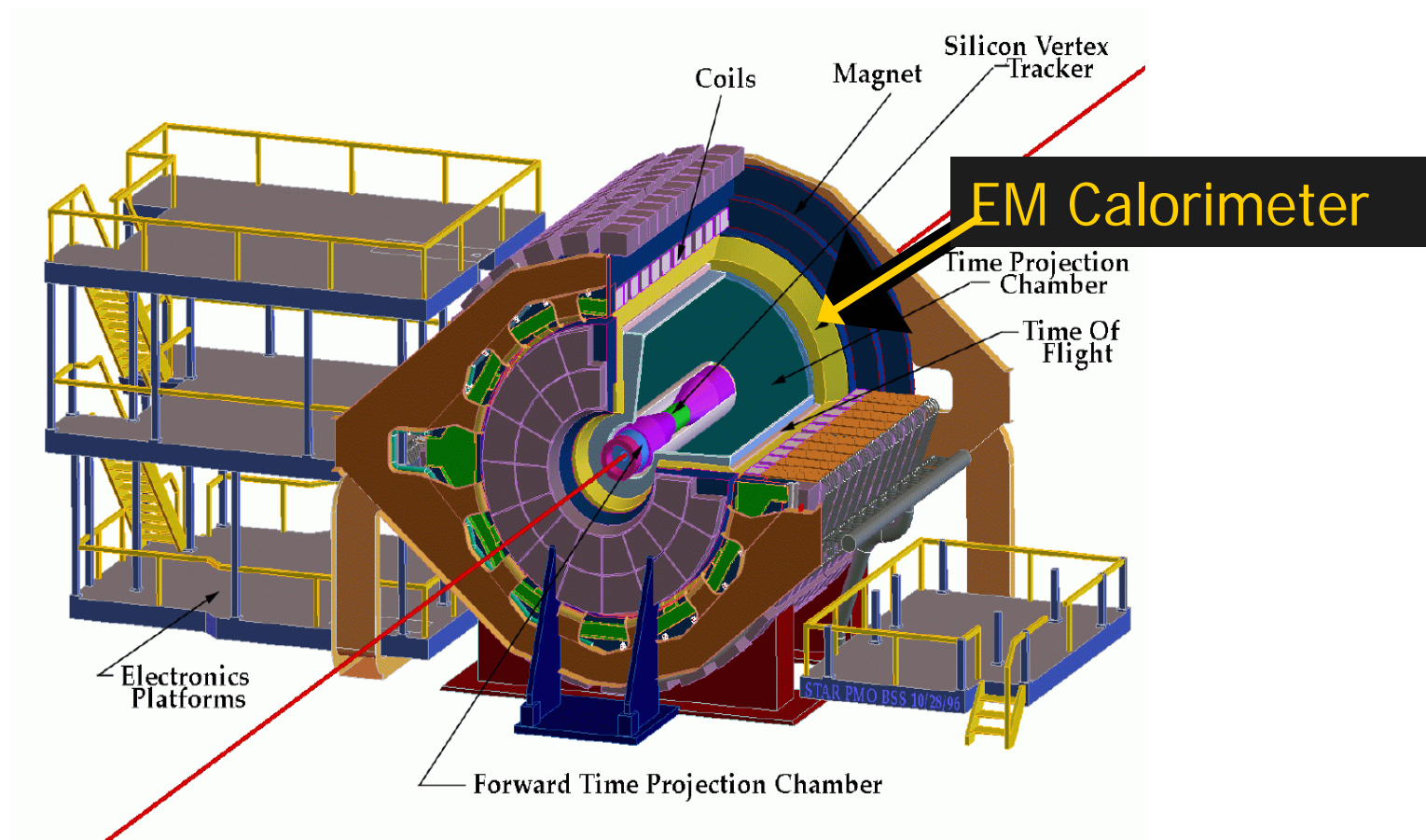
# Jet Reconstruction Algorithms

- Hard parton fragmentation products are strongly correlated in momentum
  - Jets reconstructed by exploiting hadron momenta correlations
- Cone algorithms: capture spray of particles with geometric cone. Two strategies:
  - Center the cone on the seed particle
    - More robust for high multiplicity
  - Optimize the direction of the cone
    - Cone direction optimized for maximum energy
- Kt algorithm: exploit relative  $p_t$ 
  - Add hadrons with progressively larger relative momenta
  - Hadrons below  $p_t$  threshold not used



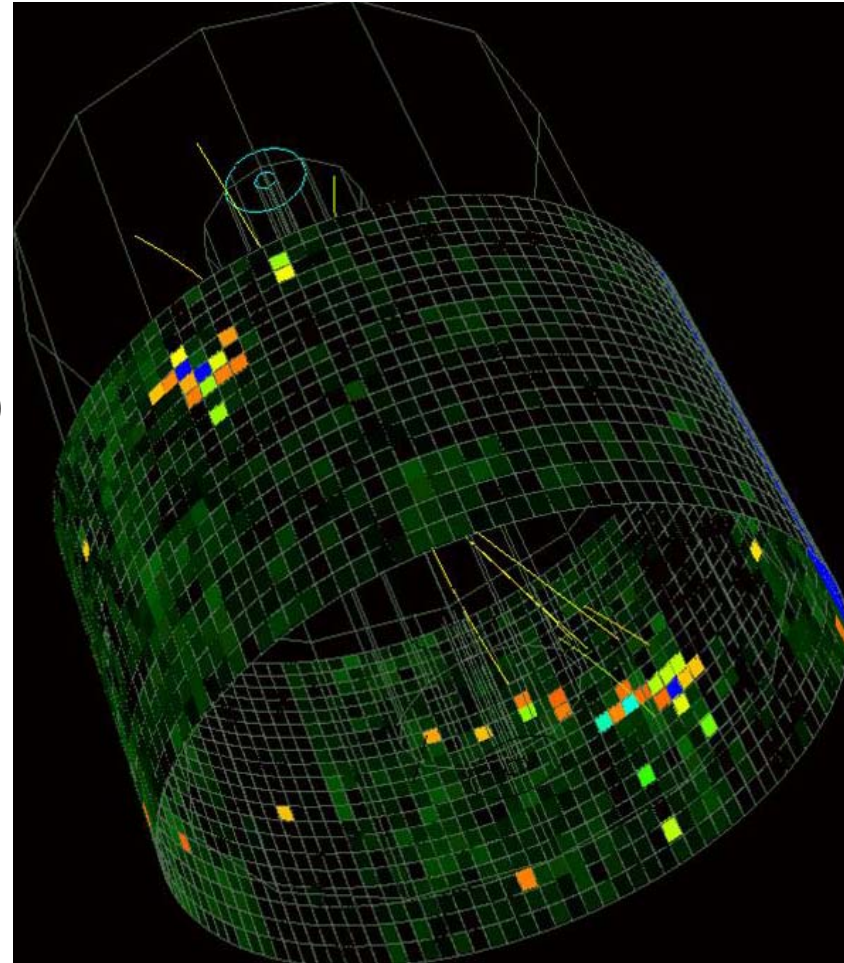
# The STAR Detector

- The complete  $\phi$  coverage and large  $\eta$  coverage of the TPC (with particle ID) and EMC make STAR excellent at reconstructing jets.



# The STAR EMC

- Neutral energy (which includes  $\pi_0$  decay photons) is measured with the STAR Electromagnetic Calorimeter
  - For 2003 RHIC run, Barrel EMC included:
    - **$2\pi$  coverage in  $\phi$ ;  $0 < \eta < 1$**
    - 2400 Towers ( $\Delta\eta \times \Delta\phi = 0.05 \times 0.05$ )
    - See posters by D. Arkhipkin, M.M. de Moura
  - Read out in Minimum Bias Events
  - Also used as trigger to select events likely to contain jets
    - **“High tower” trigger with  $E_T > 2.5, 4.5$  GeV**
    - Other trigger topologies available but not used in 2003.



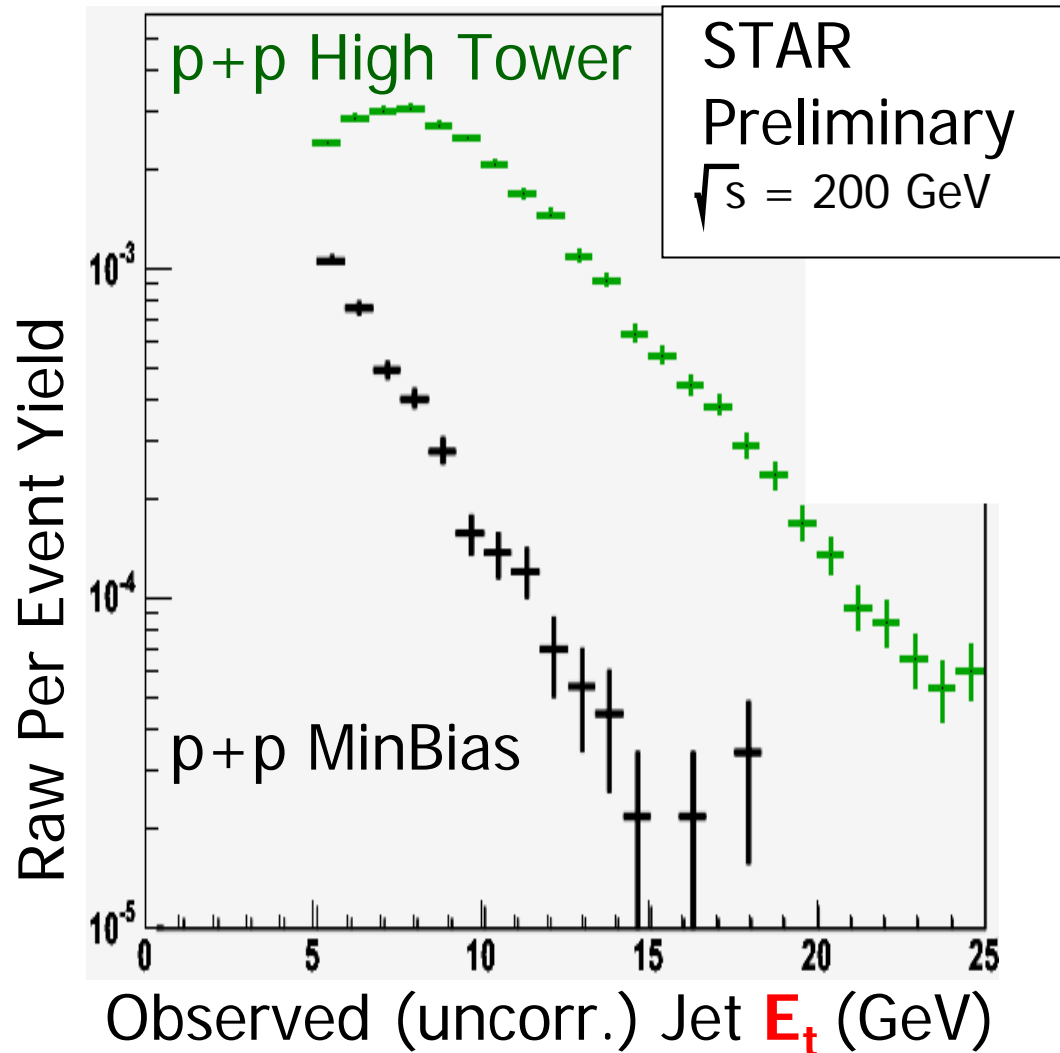


# From Observed Energy to Jet Energy

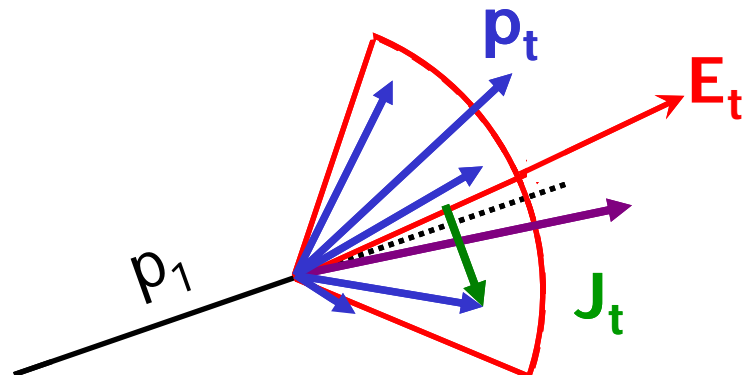
- Measure both charged tracks and neutral energy
  - Correct for double counting of charged energy
  - Charged particle tracking efficiency  $\sim .9$
  - EMC geometric acceptance  $\sim .94$
  - Long lived neutrals ( $n$ ,  $K_L$ , ...) lost
- Soft particles may fall outside jet cone
- Total correction factors from Pythia
  - $1/\sim 0.8$  for minbias
  - $1/\sim 0.86$  for high tower

} Need verification

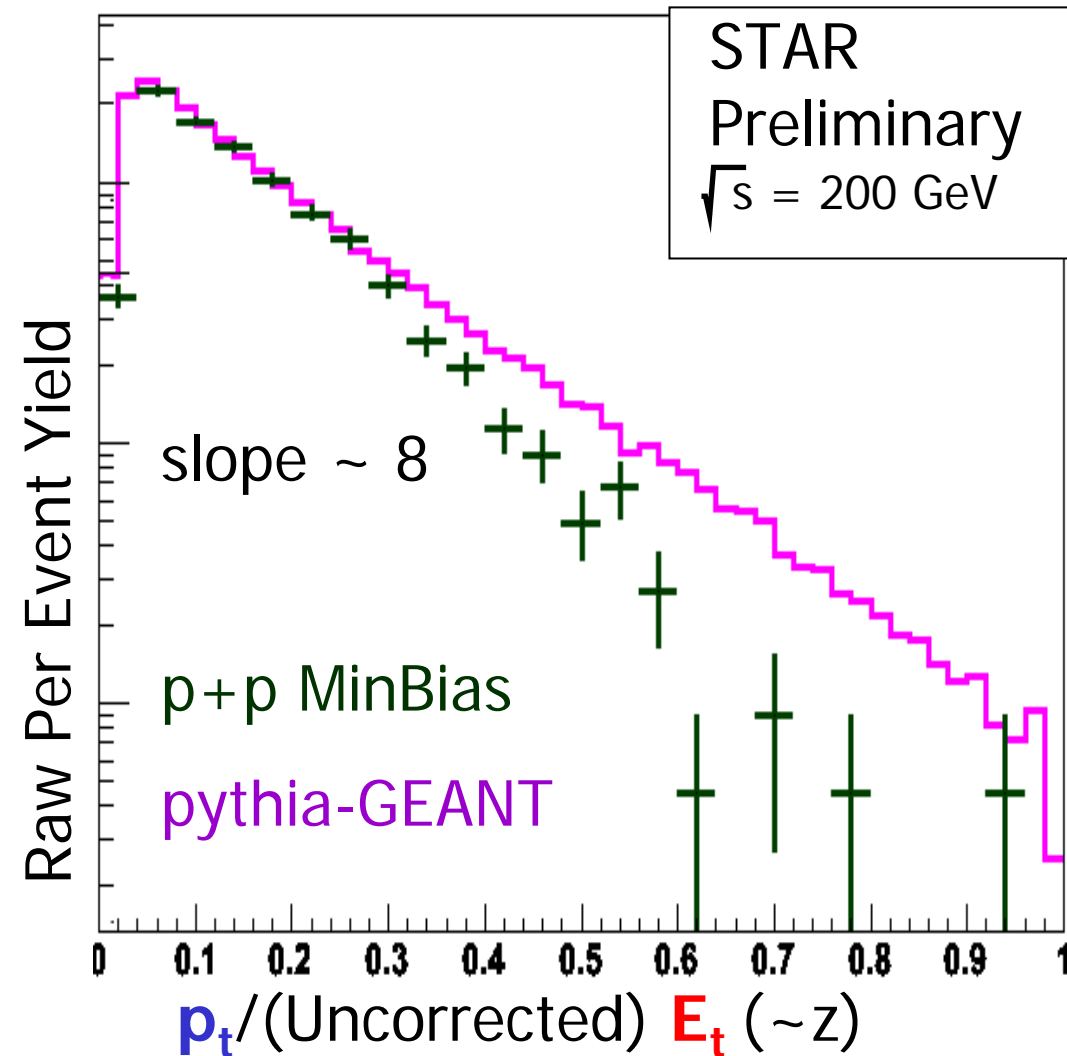
# Jet $E_t$



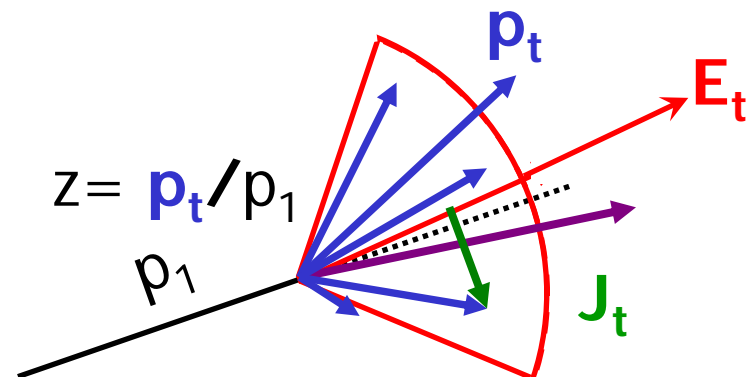
- p+p collisions;  
 $R_{\text{cone}} = .7$
- MinBias
- High tower triggered
  - Corrected  $\langle E_t \rangle = 11.3 \pm 0.7_{\text{sys}} \text{ GeV}$



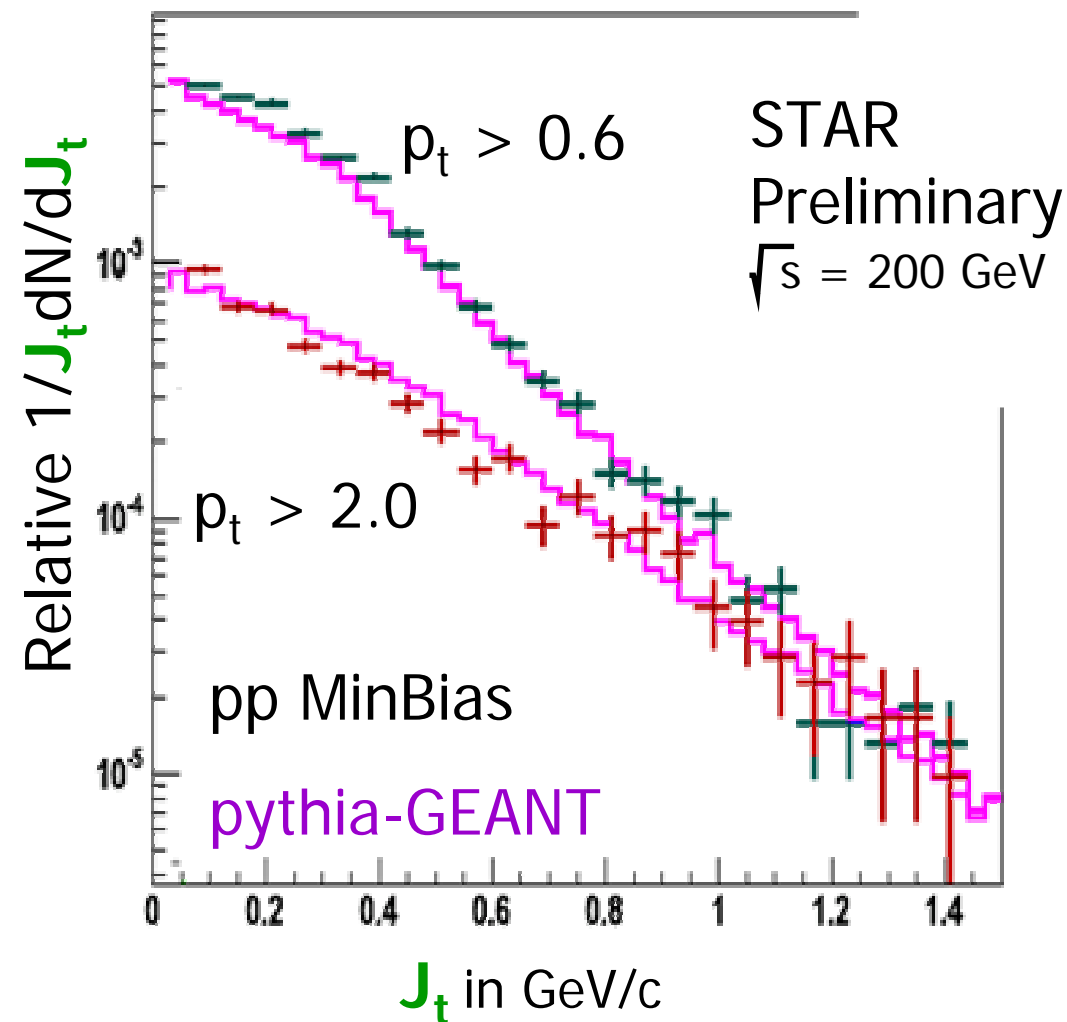
# Toward a Jet Fragmentation Function



- Pythia-GEANT is pythia run through the STAR detector simulator
- Agree at low  $z$
- High  $z$  deviations under study

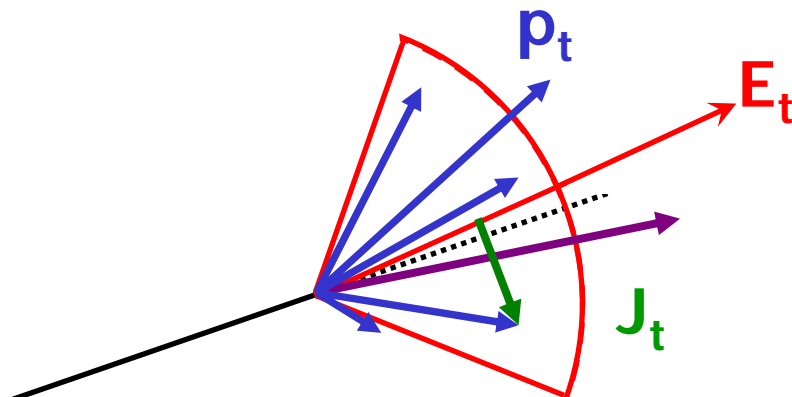


# Jet $J_t$



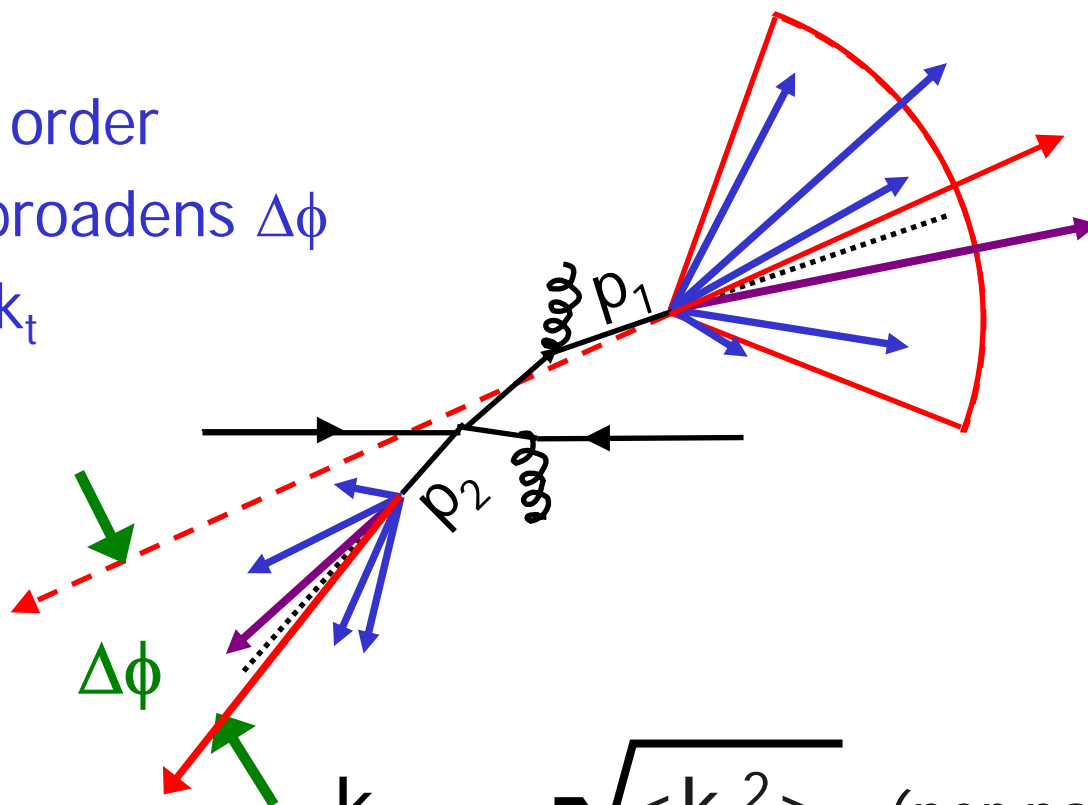
**Agree within 4%**

- Primarily sensitive to jet axis direction
- Low  $p_t$  kinematic limit: "Seagull Effect"
- RMS  $J_t$ 
  - $490 \pm 50_{\text{sys}}$  MeV/c,  $p_t > 0.6$
  - $615 \pm 60_{\text{sys}}$  MeV/c,  $p_t > 2.0$



# DiJet $\Delta\phi$ Distribution

- $\Delta\phi = \pi$  in leading order
- Gluon radiation broadens  $\Delta\phi$
- $\Delta\phi$  is a probe of  $k_t$



$$k_t = \sqrt{\langle k_t^2 \rangle} \quad (\text{per parton})$$

$$= \langle \mathbf{E}_t \rangle \sin \sigma_{\Delta\phi}$$

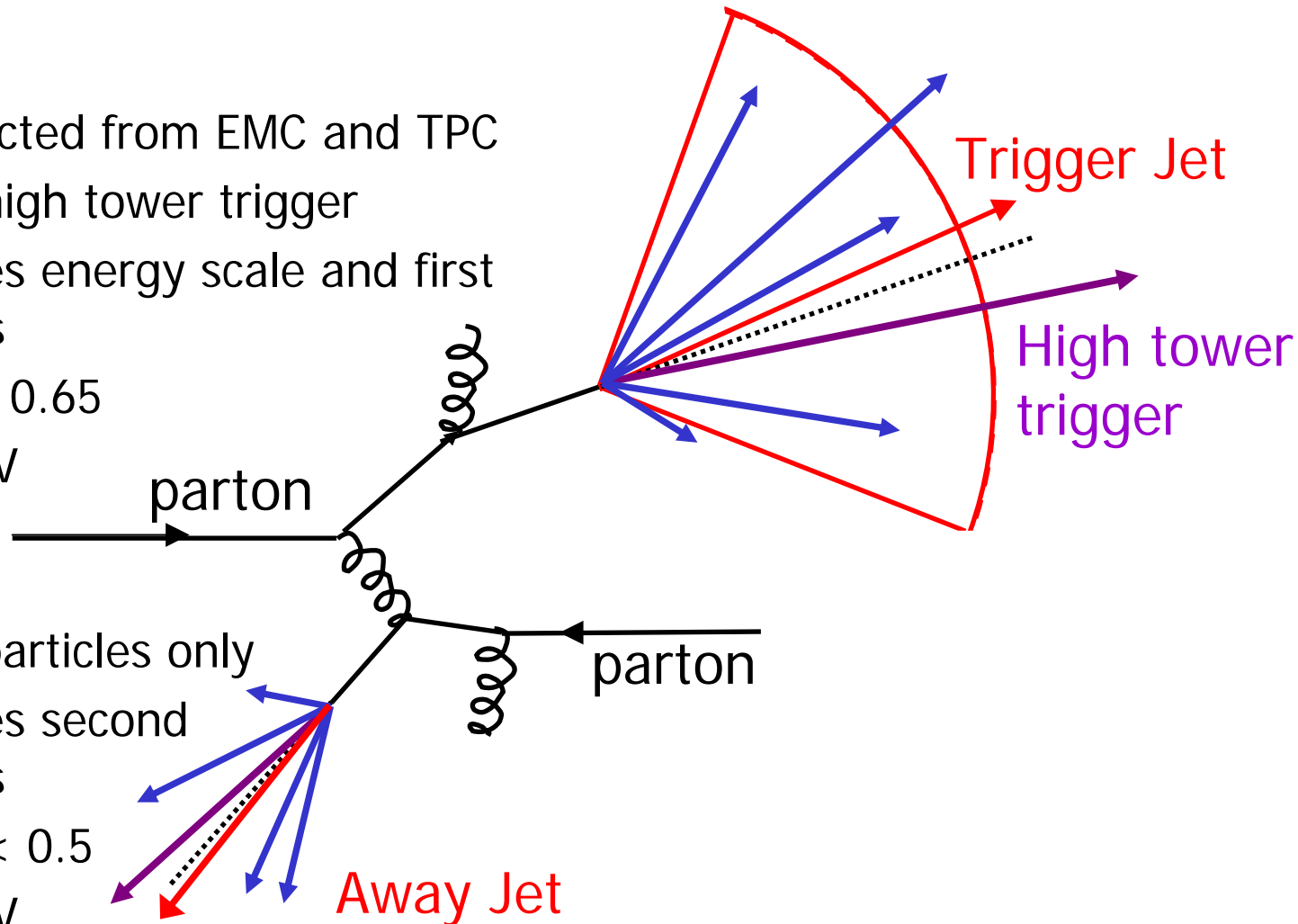
# DiJet Reconstruction

## ■ Trigger Jet

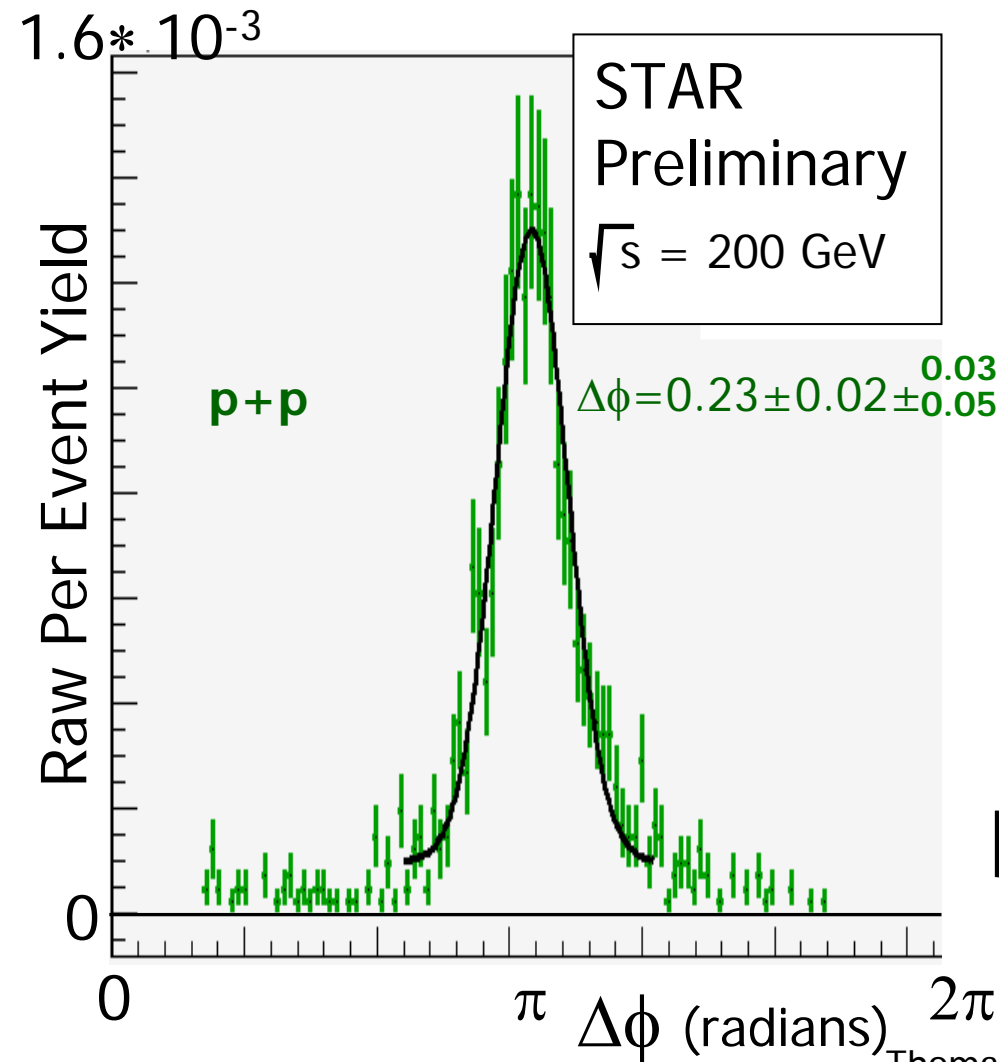
- Reconstructed from EMC and TPC
- Includes high tower trigger
- Determines energy scale and first thrust axis
- $0.2 < \eta < 0.65$
- $E_t > 5 \text{ GeV}$

## ■ Away Jet

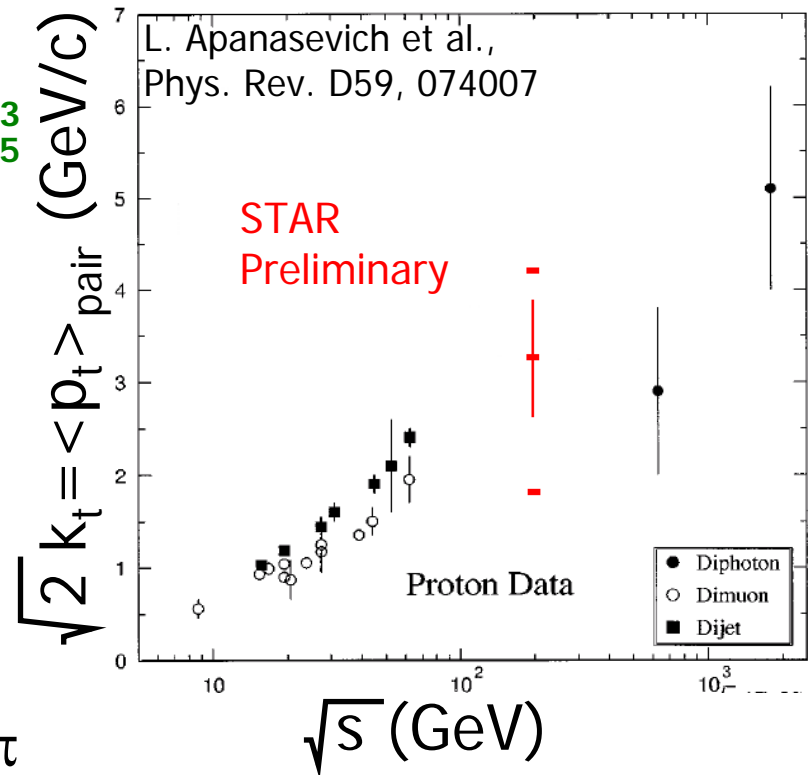
- Charged particles only
- Determines second thrust axis
- $-0.5 < \eta < 0.5$
- $E_t > 4 \text{ GeV}$



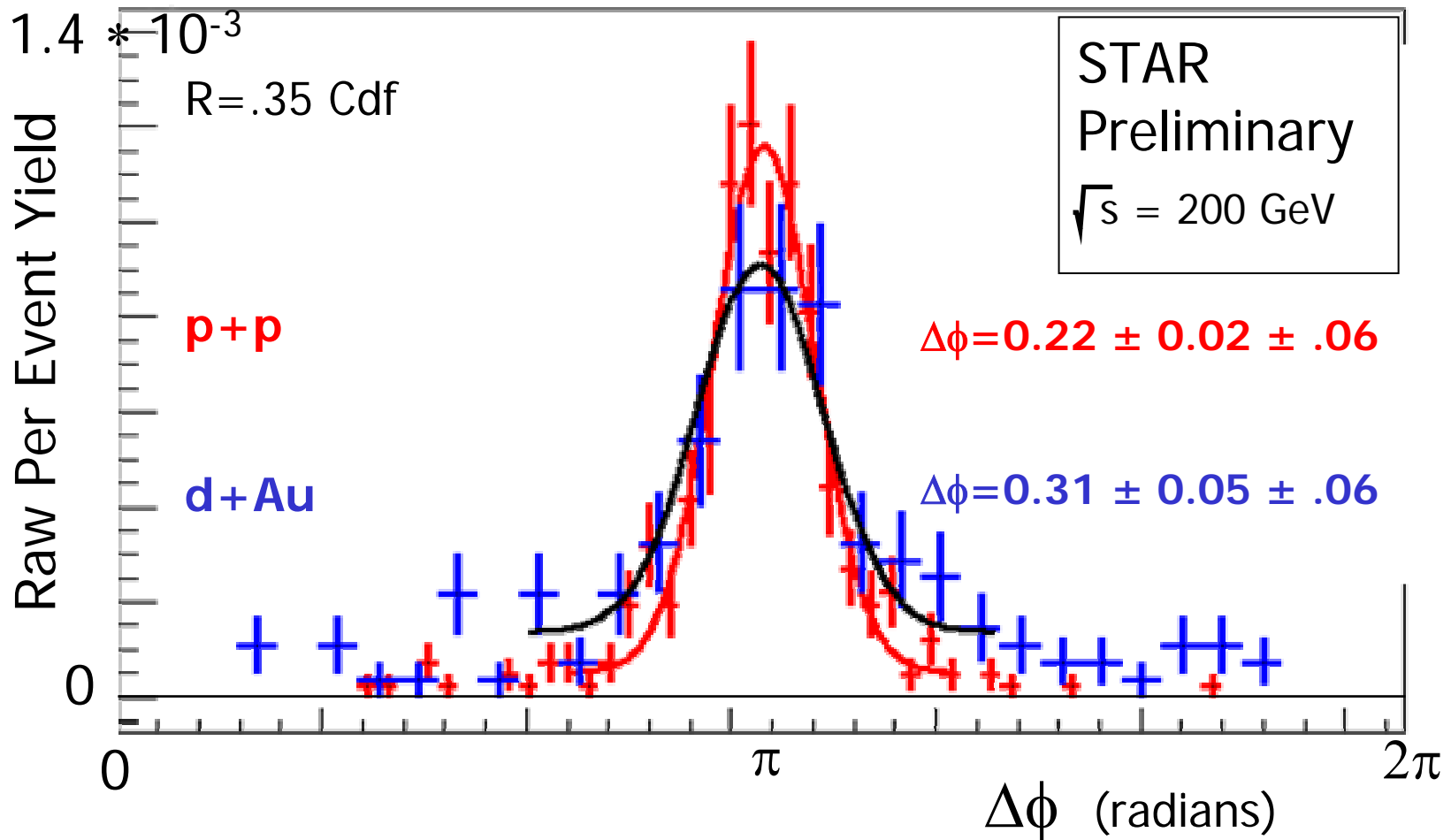
# p+p DiJet $\Delta\phi$ Distribution



- Dijet high tower corrected  
 $\langle E_t \rangle = 13.0 \pm 0.7_{\text{sys}} \text{ GeV}$
- $k_t = 2.3 \pm 0.4 \pm^{0.67}_{1.11} \text{ GeV}/c$



# Nuclear $k_t$ in d+Au

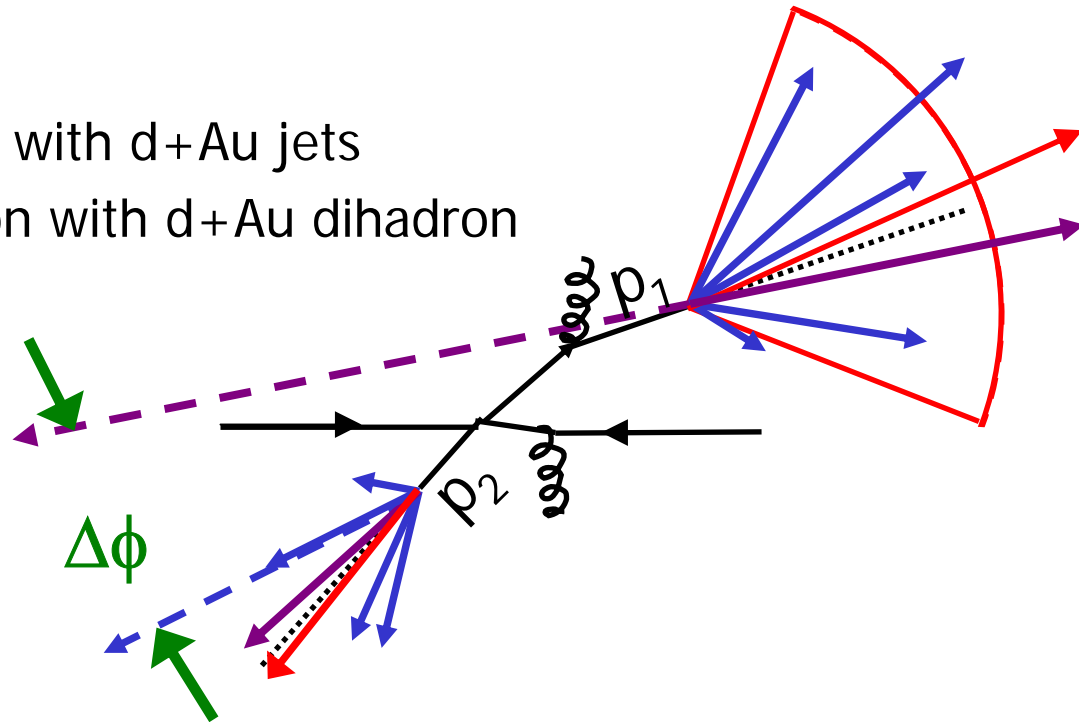


- $k_{t_{\text{obs}}}^2 = k_{t_{\text{intrin}}}^2 + k_{t_{\text{nucl}}}^2$
- d+Au vs p+p: **Nuclear  $k_t = 2.8 \pm 1.2 \pm 1.0 \text{ GeV}/c$**



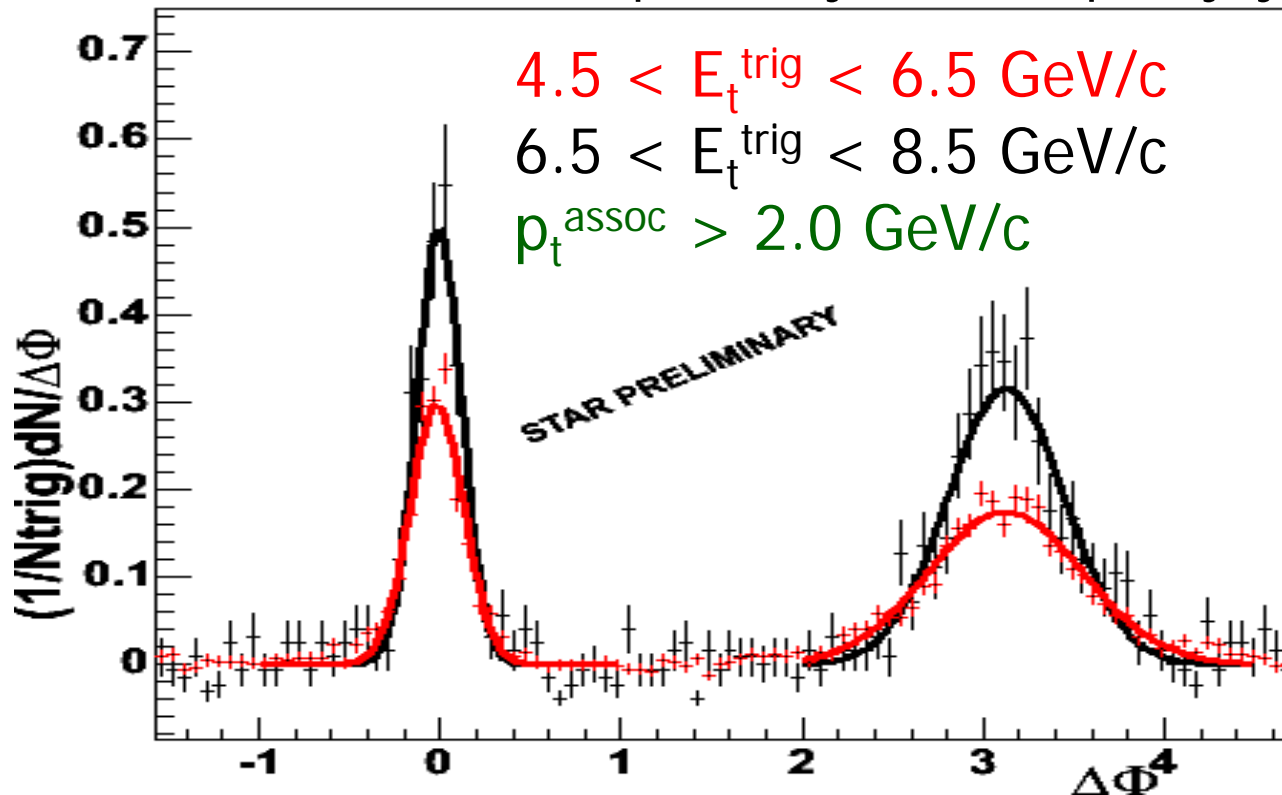
# Dihadron Correlations

- Au+Au: jet reconstruction fails
- Resort to dihadron correlations:
  - extract  $J_t$  and  $k_t * \langle z \rangle$
- Strategy:
  - Calibrate d+Au dihadron with d+Au jets
  - Compare Au+Au dihadron with d+Au dihadron



# High Tower – Charged Hadron Correlation Functions (variation with trigger energy)

See poster by S. Chattopadhyay



Preliminary results:

$$J_t = 500 \pm 40 \pm 150 \text{ MeV/c}$$

$$k_t = 1.9 \pm 0.2 \pm 0.3 \text{ GeV/c} / \langle z \rangle$$

$\langle z \rangle$  needed for  
trigger hadron

Will measure this to very high  $E_t^{\text{trig}}$  in Au+Au collisions during  
current RHIC run

# DiHadrons and DiJets

## ■ $J_t$

- p+p jets:  $615 \pm 60_{\text{sys}} \text{ MeV/c}$
- d+Au dihadrons:  $500 \pm 40 \pm 150 \text{ MeV/c}$
- **→ Consistent between inclusive jets and dihadrons**

## ■ $k_t$

- p+p dijets: intrinsic  $k_t = 2.3 \pm 0.4^{+0.67}_{-1.11} \text{ GeV/c}$
- d+Au dijets: nuclear  $k_t = 2.8 \pm 1.2 \pm 1.0 \text{ GeV/c}$
- d+Au dihadrons: total  $k_t = (1.9 \pm 0.2 \pm 0.3)/\langle \mathbf{z} \rangle \text{ GeV/c}$

## ■ Uncertainties are conservative

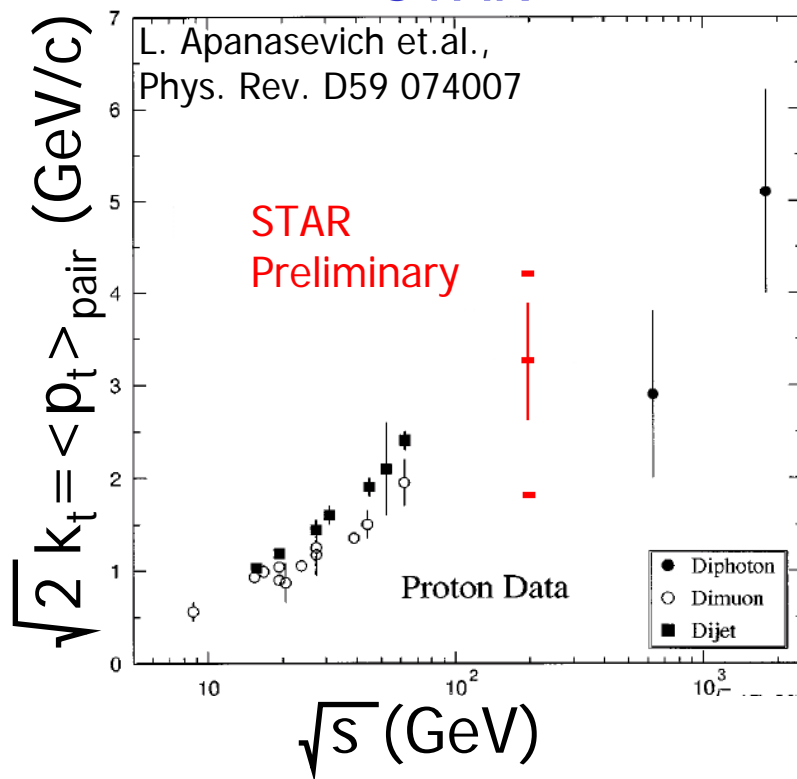
# Conclusions

- Fully reconstructed jets in p+p and d+Au at RHIC
- p+p:  $J_t$  and intrinsic  $k_t$
- d+Au: nuclear  $k_t$
- Pythia provides a good description of  $J_t$
- Future:
  - Jet and dijet cross sections in p+p and d+Au
  - $R_{d+Au}$  for jets/partons



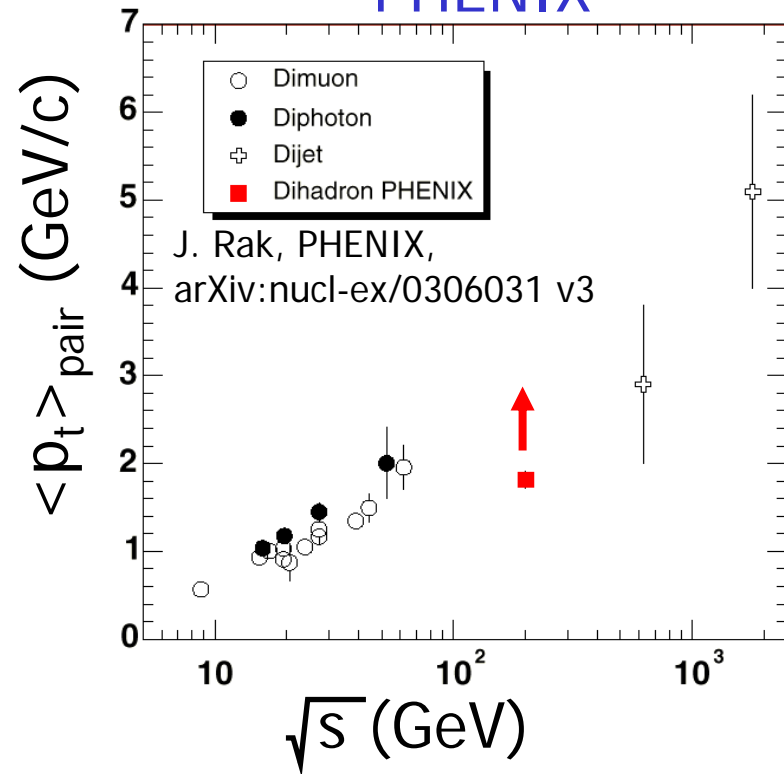
# STAR-PHENIX Comparison

STAR



- $J_t = 615 \pm 60_{\text{sys}} \text{ MeV/c}$
- $k_t = 2.3 \pm 0.4 \pm_{1.11}^{0.67} \text{ GeV/c}$

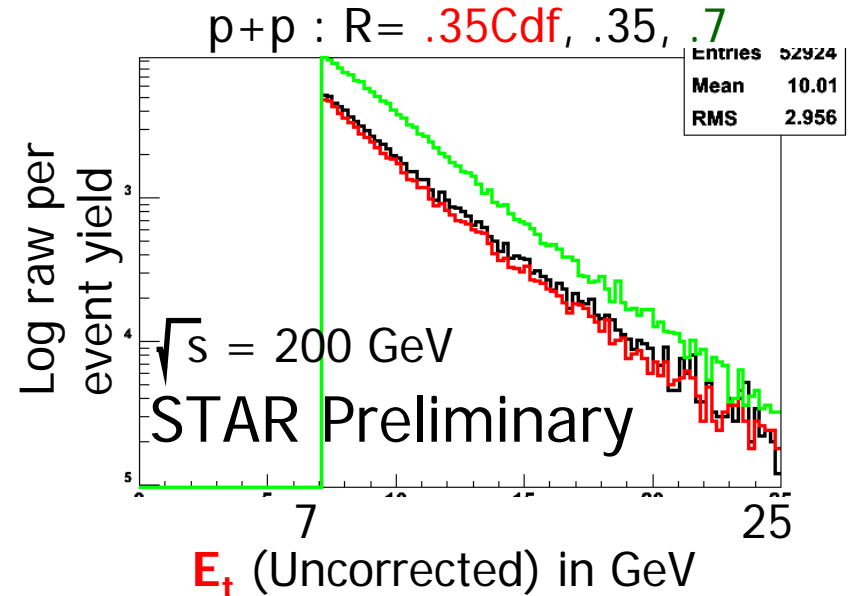
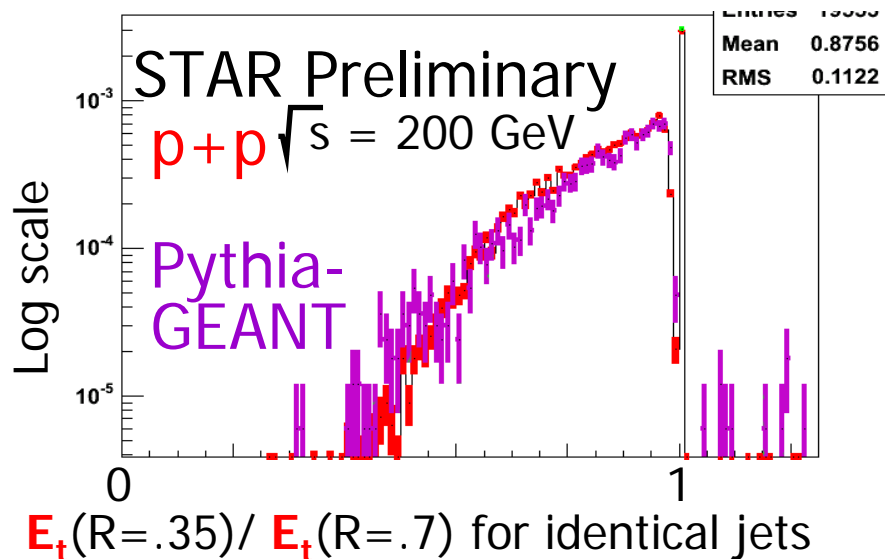
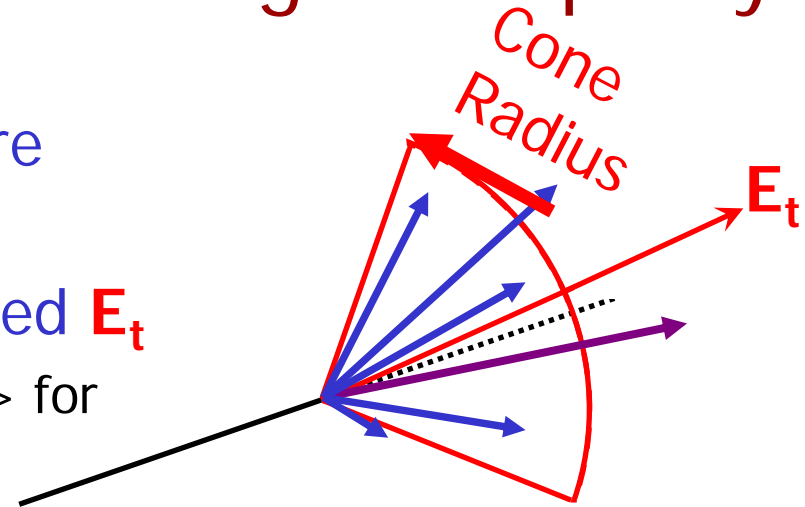
PHENIX



- $J_t = 661 \pm 28 \text{ MeV/c}$
- $k_t = (1.3 \pm 0.06) / \langle z \rangle \text{ GeV/c}$

# Difficulty in d+Au due to High Multiplicity

- d+Au jet signals at radius .7 are swamped by false jets
- Smaller radius reduces measured  $E_t$ 
  - $\langle E_t(R=.35) \rangle = .88 * \langle E_t(R=.7) \rangle$  for high tower triggered events



# Correction for Double Counting of Charged Hadron Energy

- Charged particles can leave some energy in the EMC
- Either can remove 20% of Track E or 0.3 GeV per Track from the EMC hits
  - 20% comes from Monte Carlo
  - .3 GeV = MIP
- The two approaches are consistent, and reduce the energy as expected

