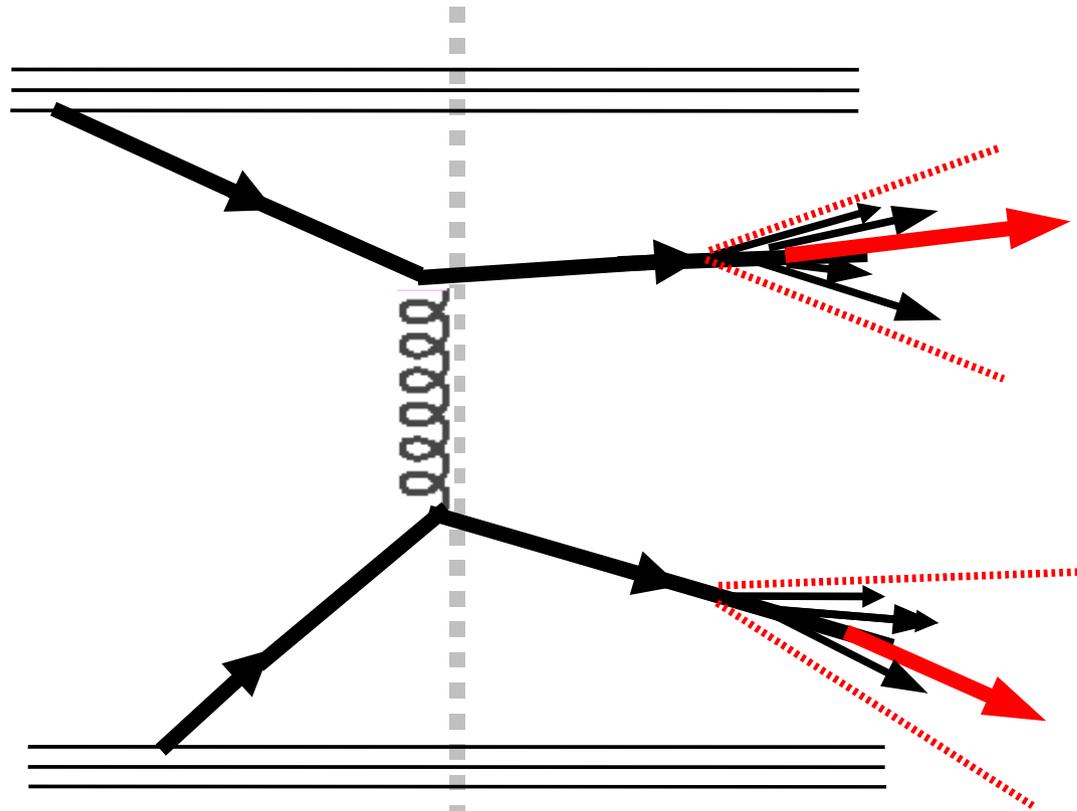


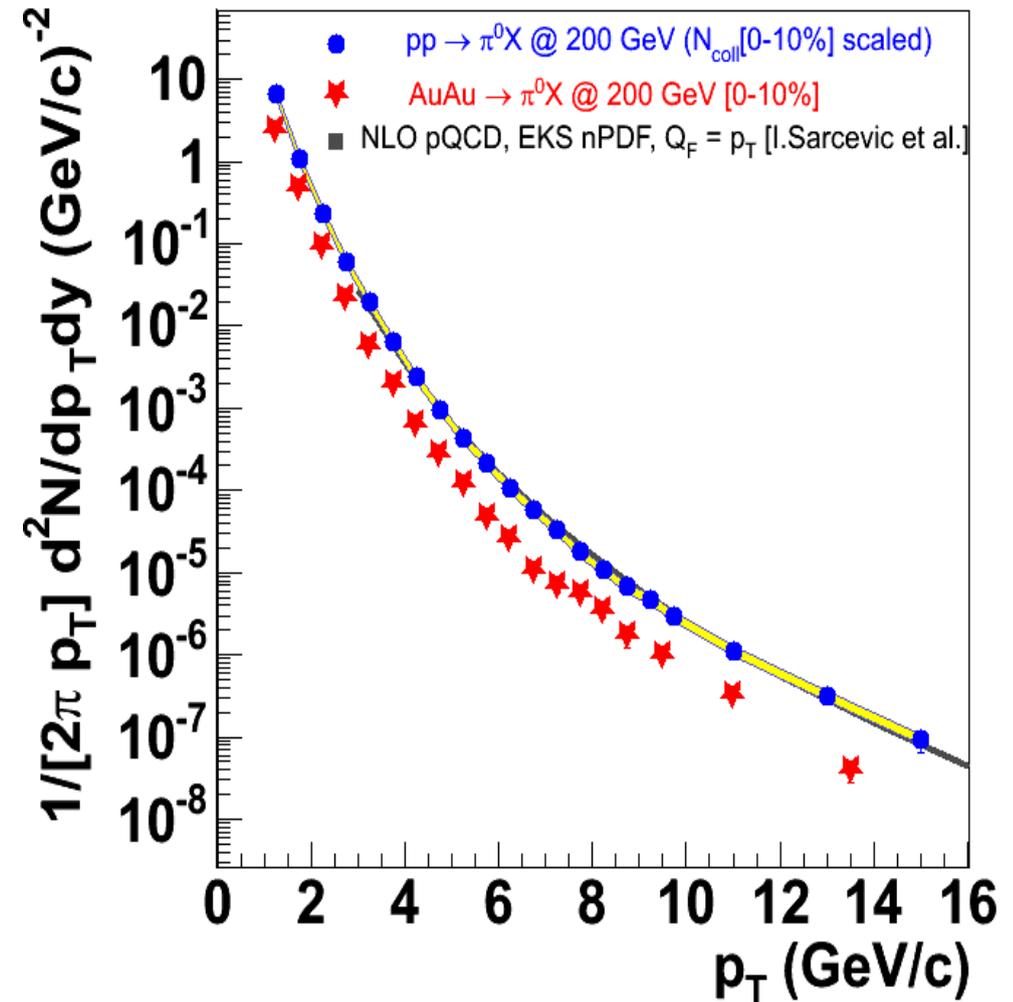
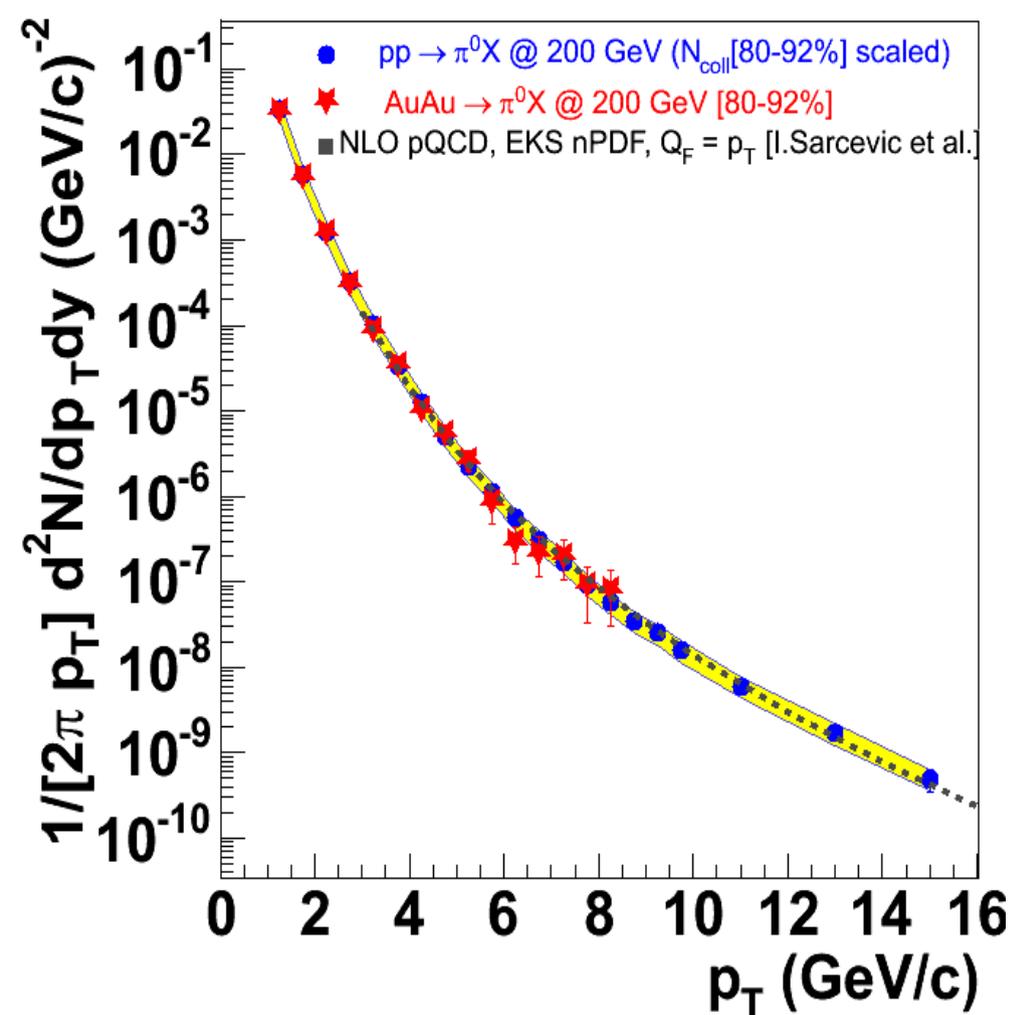
# Jet production due to hard initial parton interaction



- a jet is a collimated spray of hadrons in a cone of about 0.7 rad with total 4-momentum of fragmenting parton - leading hadron carries 60-80 % of jet energy at RHIC energy
- balanced back-to-back in transverse plane by another jet or photon
- jet production calculable by perturbative QCD

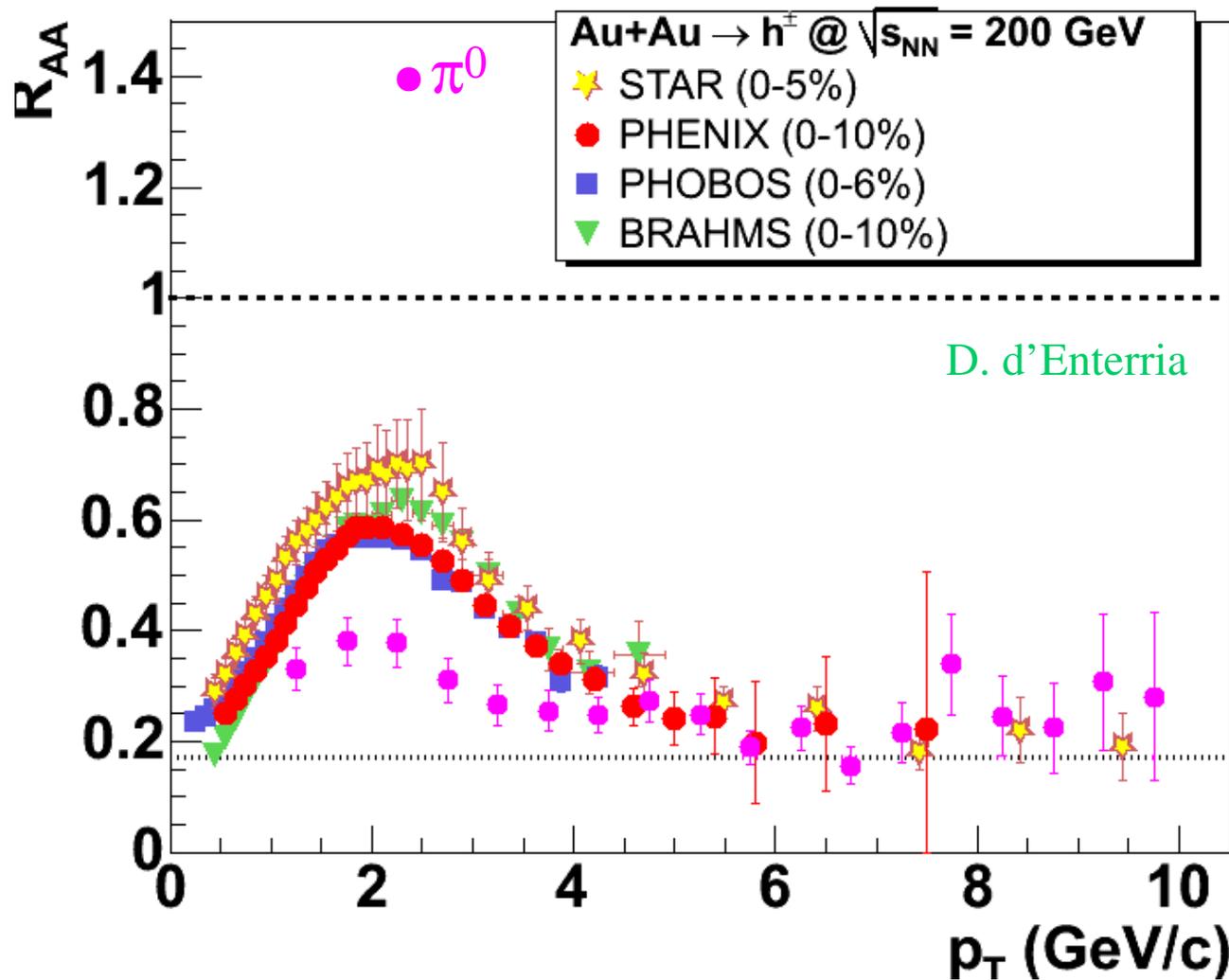
# spectra suppressed at high $p_T$ in AuAu relative to pp

proton data scaled to AuAu with appropriate number of binary collisions



# high $p_t$ suppression seen by all experiments

$$R_{AA} = \text{yield}(\text{AuAu}) / N_{\text{coll}} \text{ yield}(\text{pp})$$

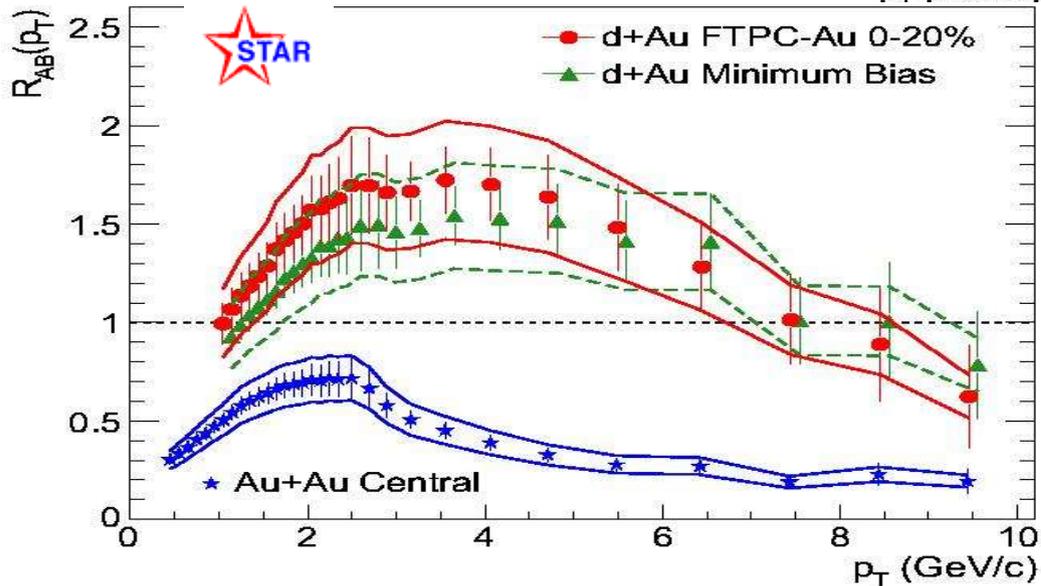
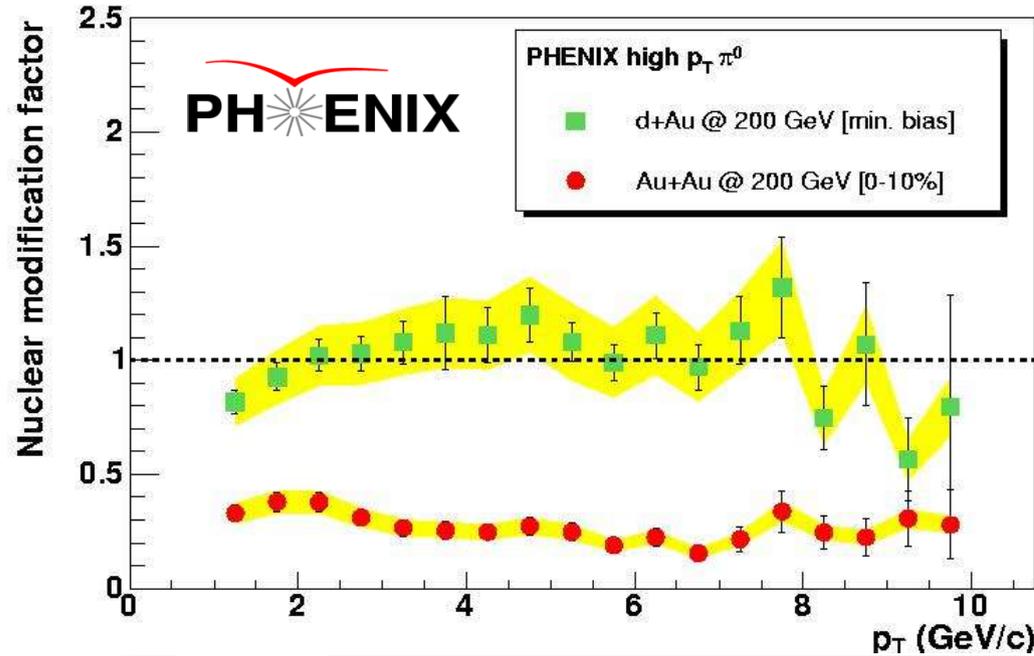


- ★ all expts. see large suppression in AuAu
- ★  $\pi^0$  lower than  $h^\pm$
- ★ no suppression in dAu rather

Cronin enhancement  
 $\rightarrow$  medium effect, not incoming partons

→ reasonable agreement between 4 experiments

# jet production in deuteron - Au collisions



not suppressed but  
rather enhanced due to  
initial parton scattering  
(Cronin effect)

# Suppression predicted due to energy loss of partons in hot matter “jet quenching”

H. Baier, Y.L. Dokshitzer, A.H. Mueller,  
S. Peigne, D. Schiff, Nucl. Phys. B483  
(1997) 291 and 484 (1997) 265

energy loss of high energy parton  
traversing color charged medium ->

medium induced gluon radiation  
in high energy limit

$$\Delta E \approx \alpha_s \mu^2 L^2 / \lambda (1 + O(1/N))$$

implemented in models in different ways:

high initial densities  $dN_g/dy=1100$  (Vitev/Gyulassy)

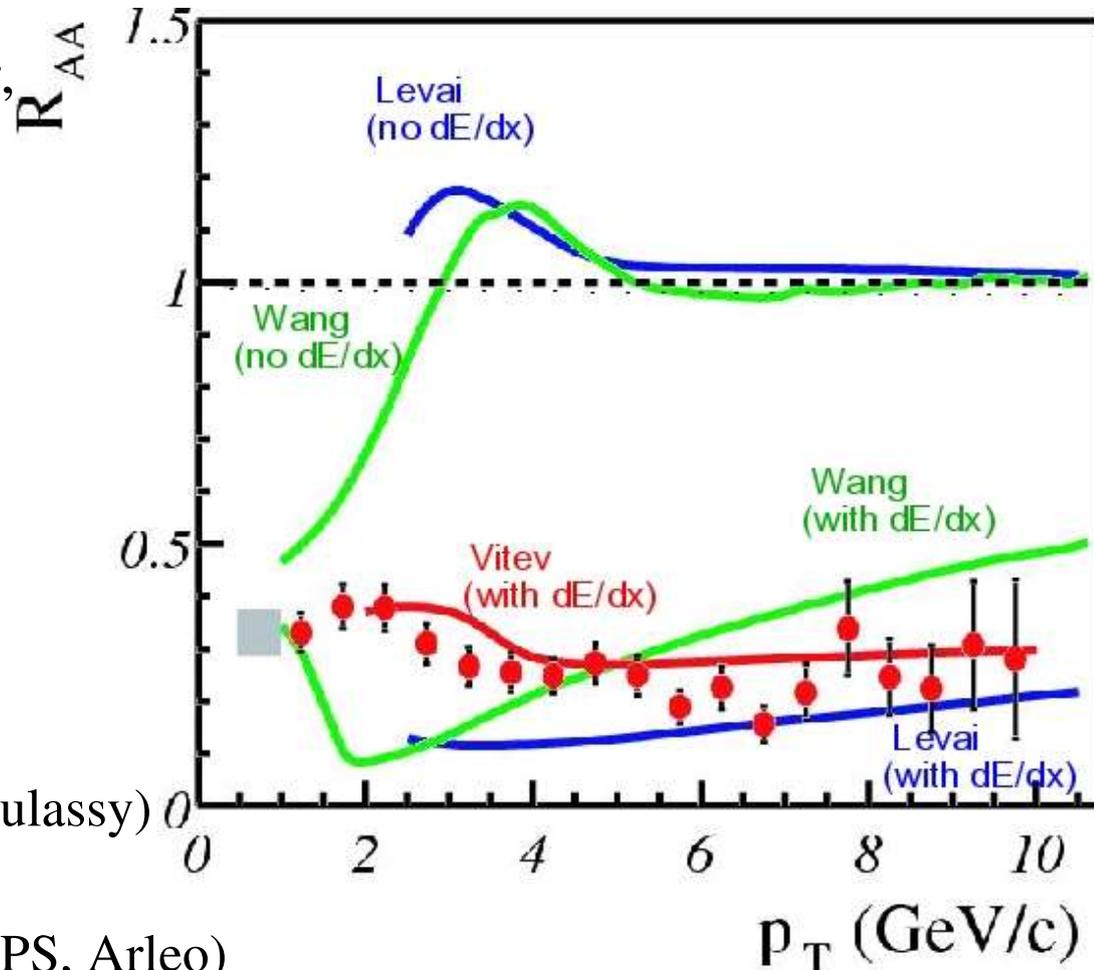
large opacities  $\langle n \rangle = L/\lambda \approx 3-4$  (Levai et al.)

transport coefficients  $q_0=3.5 \text{ GeV/fm}^2$  (BDMPS, Arleo)

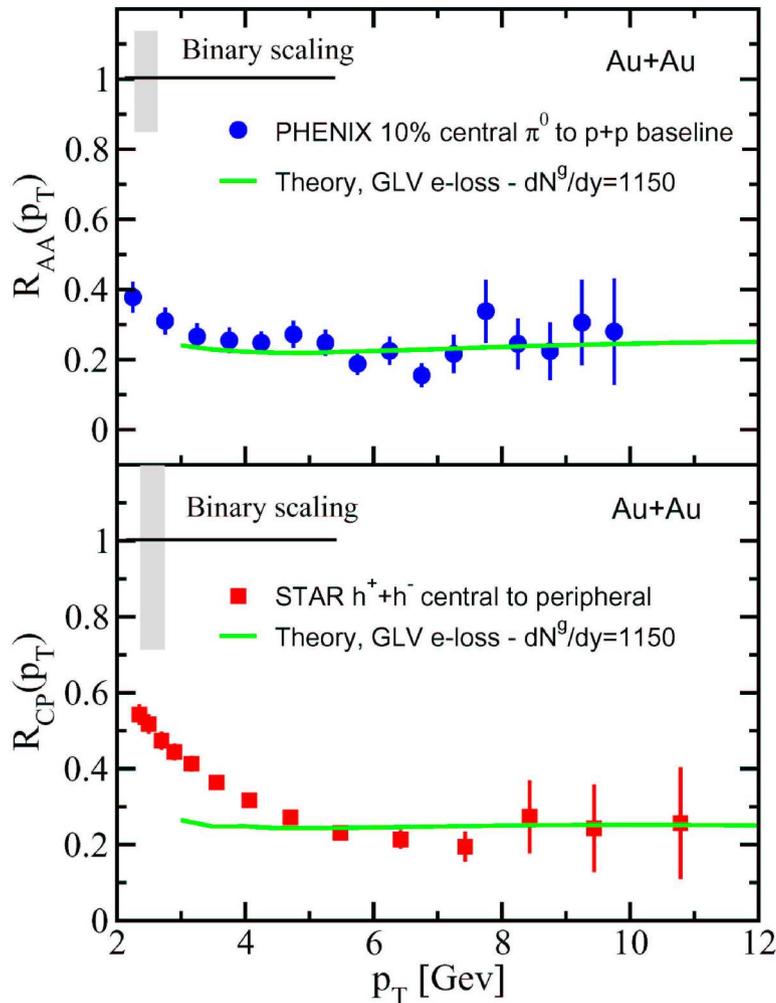
plasma temperature  $T = 400 \text{ MeV}$  (G. Moore)

medium induced radiative energy loss

$dE/dx(\text{expanding})=0.25 \text{ GeV/fm}$  or  $dE/dx(\text{static source})=14 \text{ GeV/fm}$  (S.N.Wang)



# suppression of hadron yields at high $p_t$ in central AuAu collisions



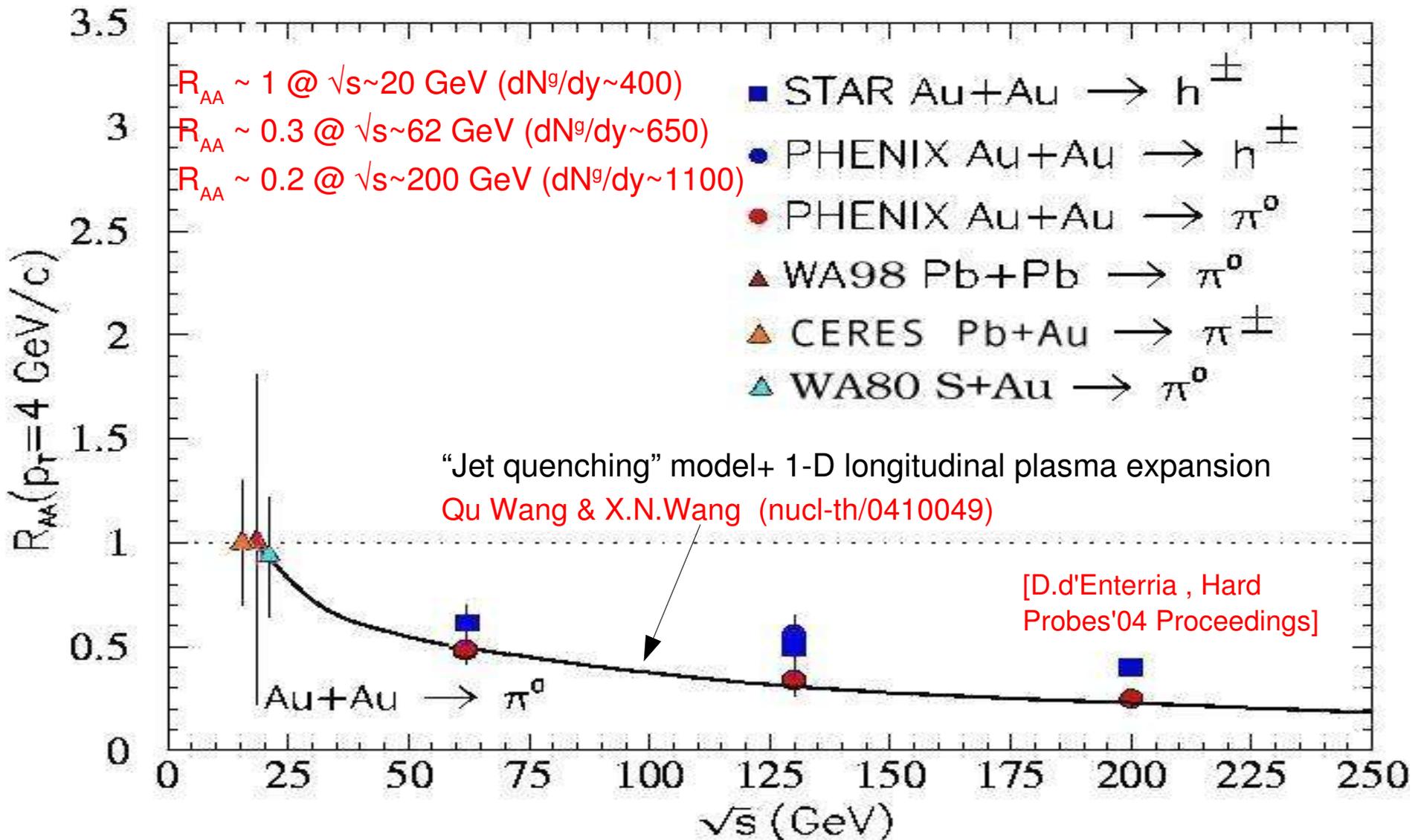
AuAu compared to pp scaled  
with number of binary collisions

AuAu central collisions compared to  
peripheral collisions scaled with  
number of binary collisions

in central collisions hadron yields suppressed  
indicative of jet quenching due to parton  
energy loss due to high gluon density

# $R_{AA}$ at lower beam energies

$\sqrt{s}$  dependence of  $R_{AA}$  consistent w/ parton  $E_{\text{loss}}$  models ( $\Delta E_{\text{loss}} \sim dN/dy$ ) + Bjorken expansion:

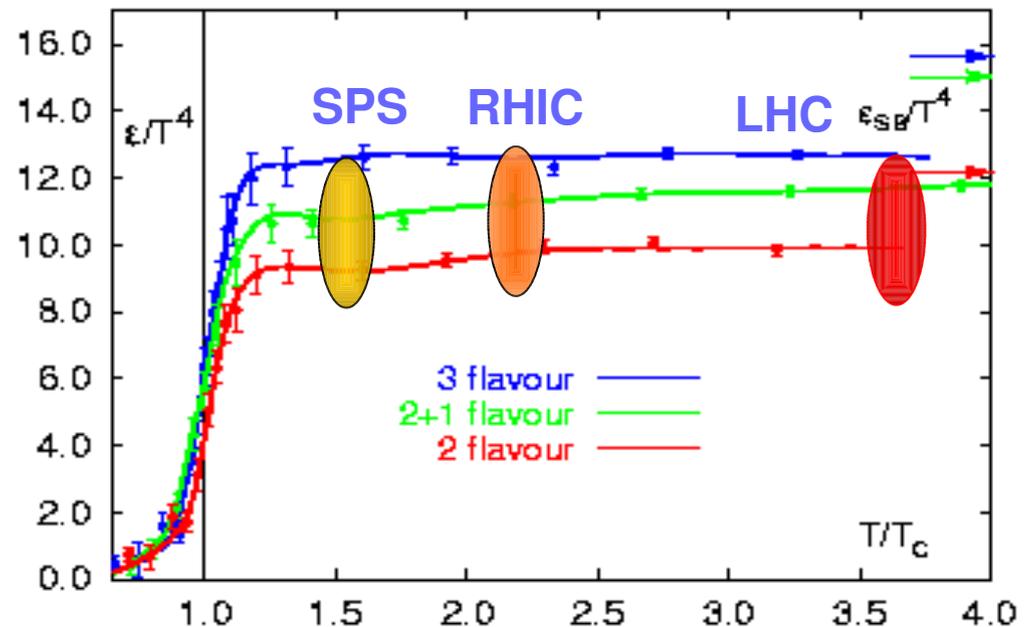


# jet quenching indicative of gluon rapidity density

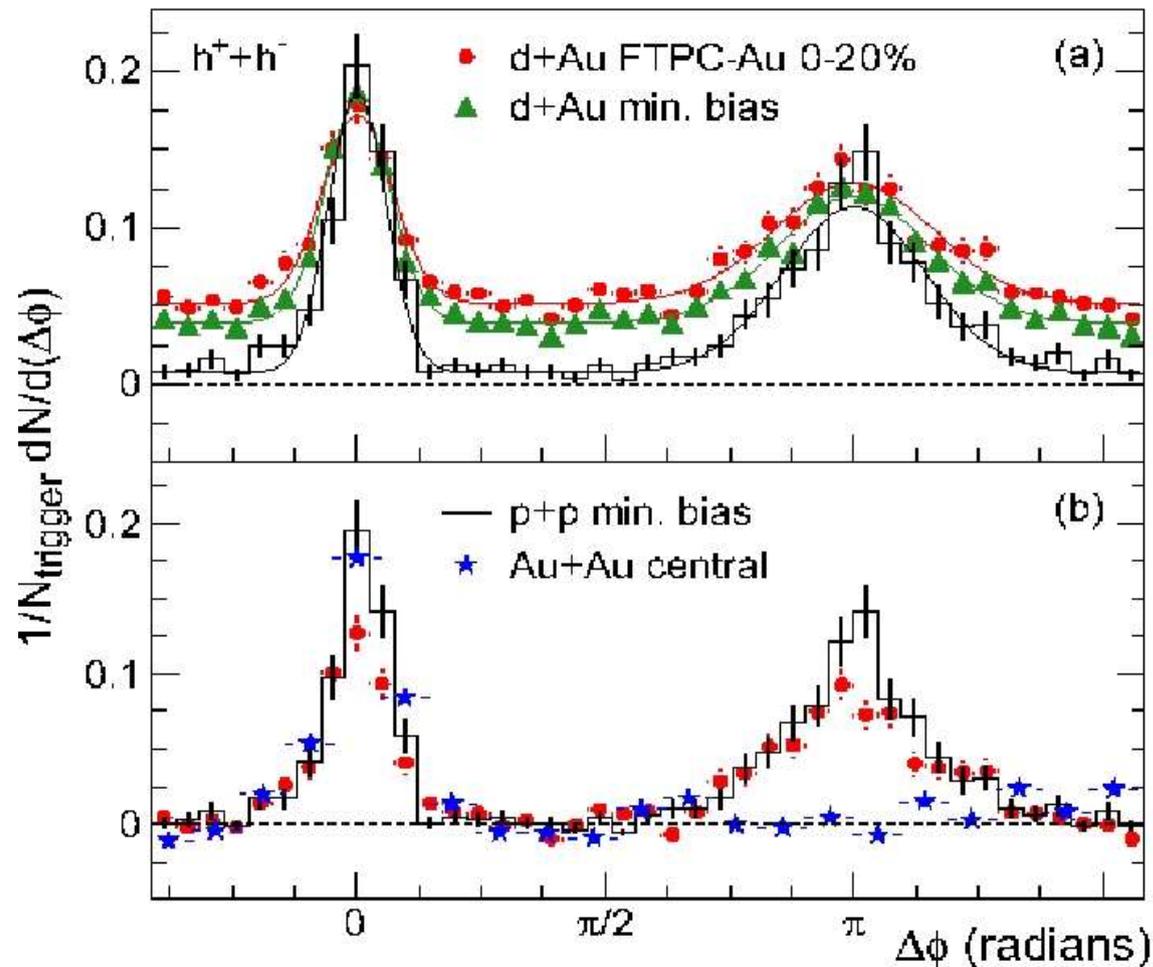
	$\tau_0 [fm]$	$T [MeV]$	$\epsilon [GeV / fm^3]$	$\tau_{tot} [fm]$	$dN^g / dy$
<b>SPS</b>	0.8	210-240	1.5-2.5	1.4-2	200-350
<b>RHIC</b>	0.6	380-400	14-20	6-7	800-1200
<b>LHC</b>	0.2	710-850	190-400	18-23	2000-3500

I. Vitev, JPG 30 (2004) S791

• Consistent estimate with hydrodynamic analysis



# Azimuthal correlations of high $p_t$ particles



trigger particle: 4-6 GeV/c  
correlated with all others  
with  $p_t=2-4$  GeV/c

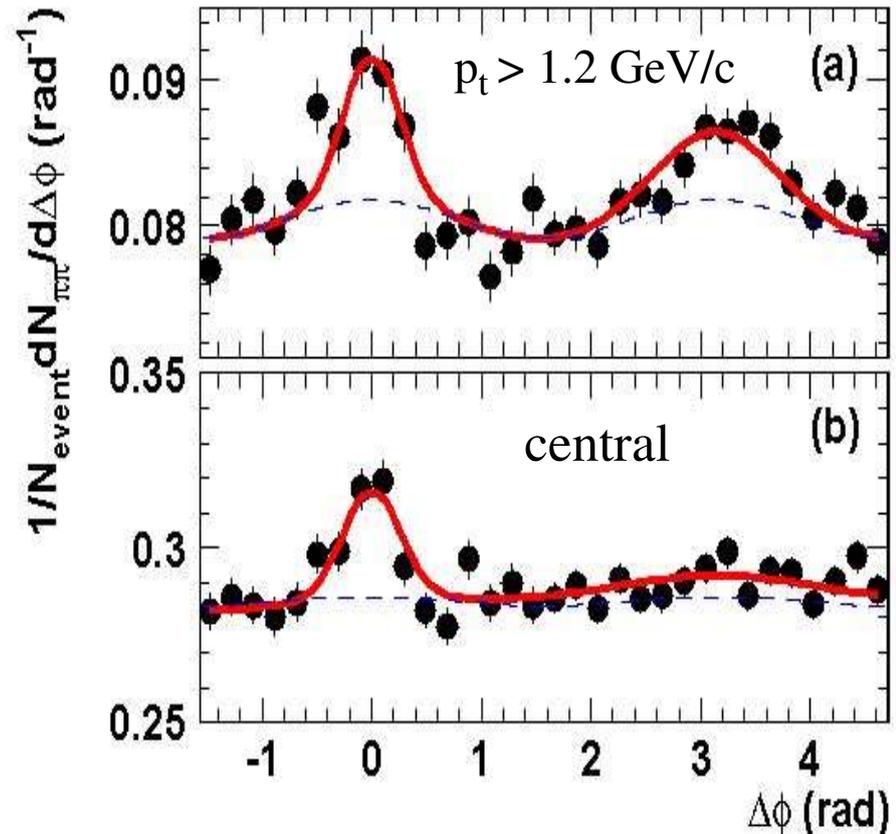
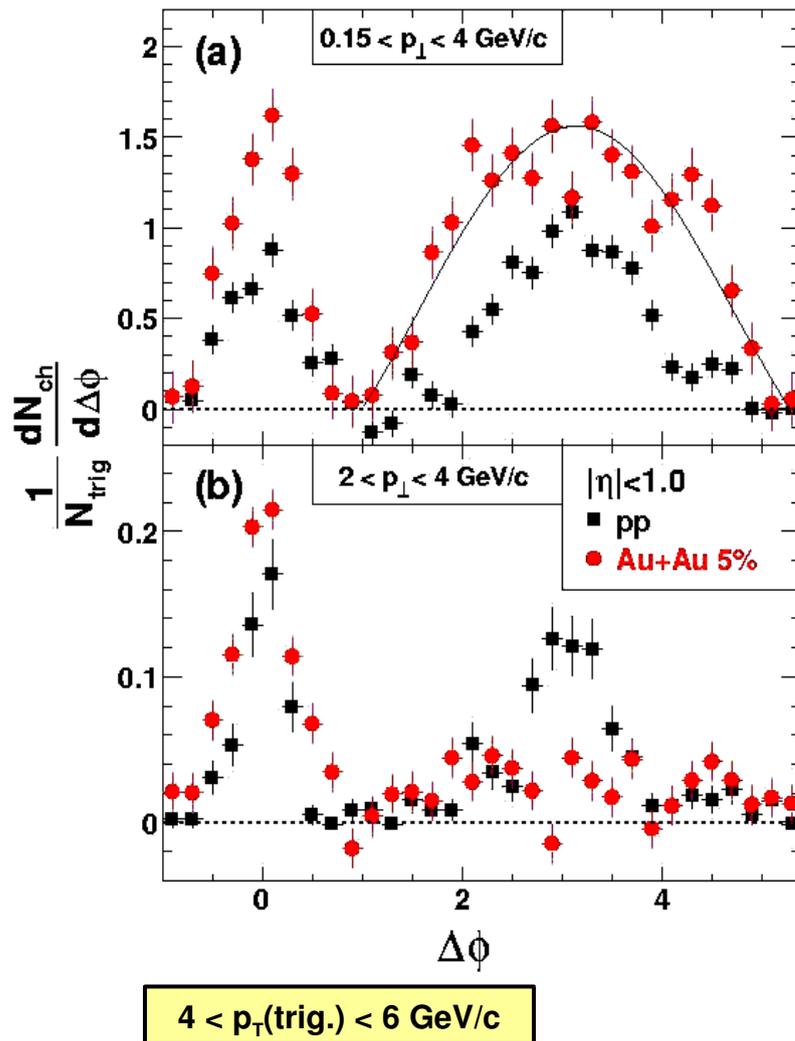
STAR: PRL 91 (2003) 072304

# away-side associated hadrons at lower $p_t$

STAR 200 GeV nucl-ex/0501016

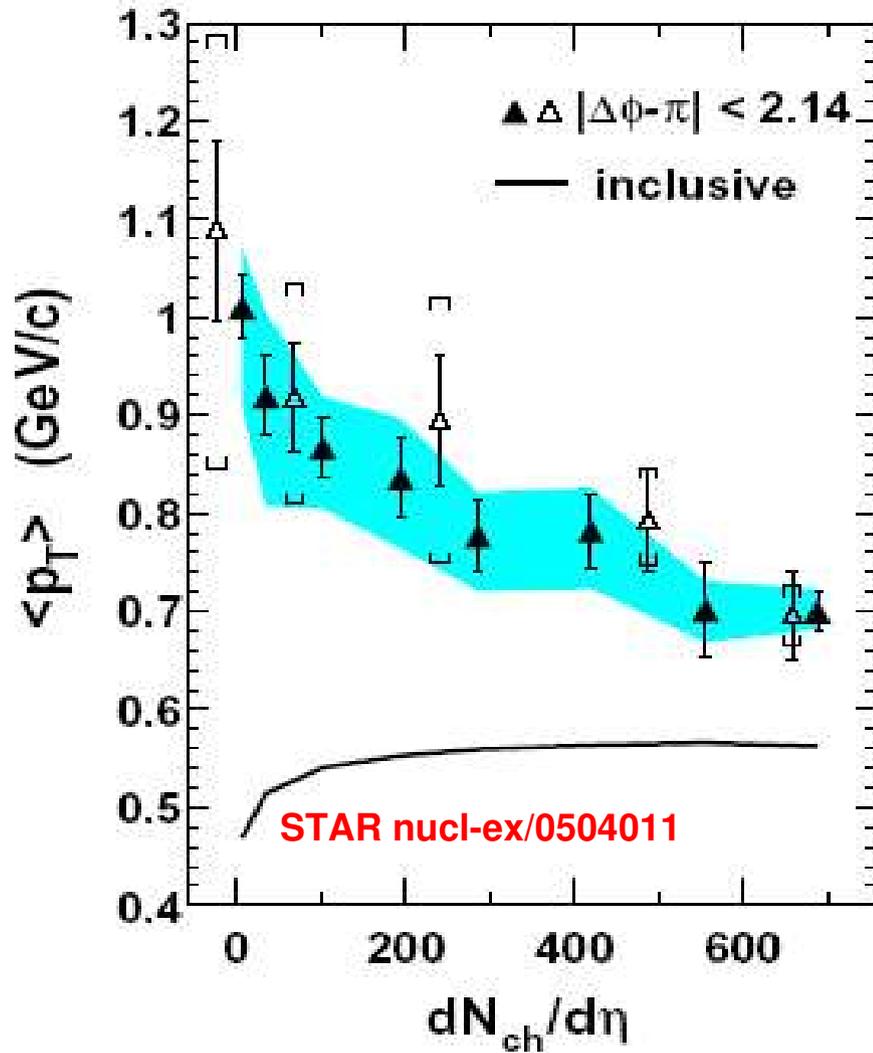
$\sqrt{s} = 17.2 \text{ GeV}$

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shape of away side peak  
changes (broadens)  
momenta reduced

# mean $p_t$ in cone opposite to leading trigger particle



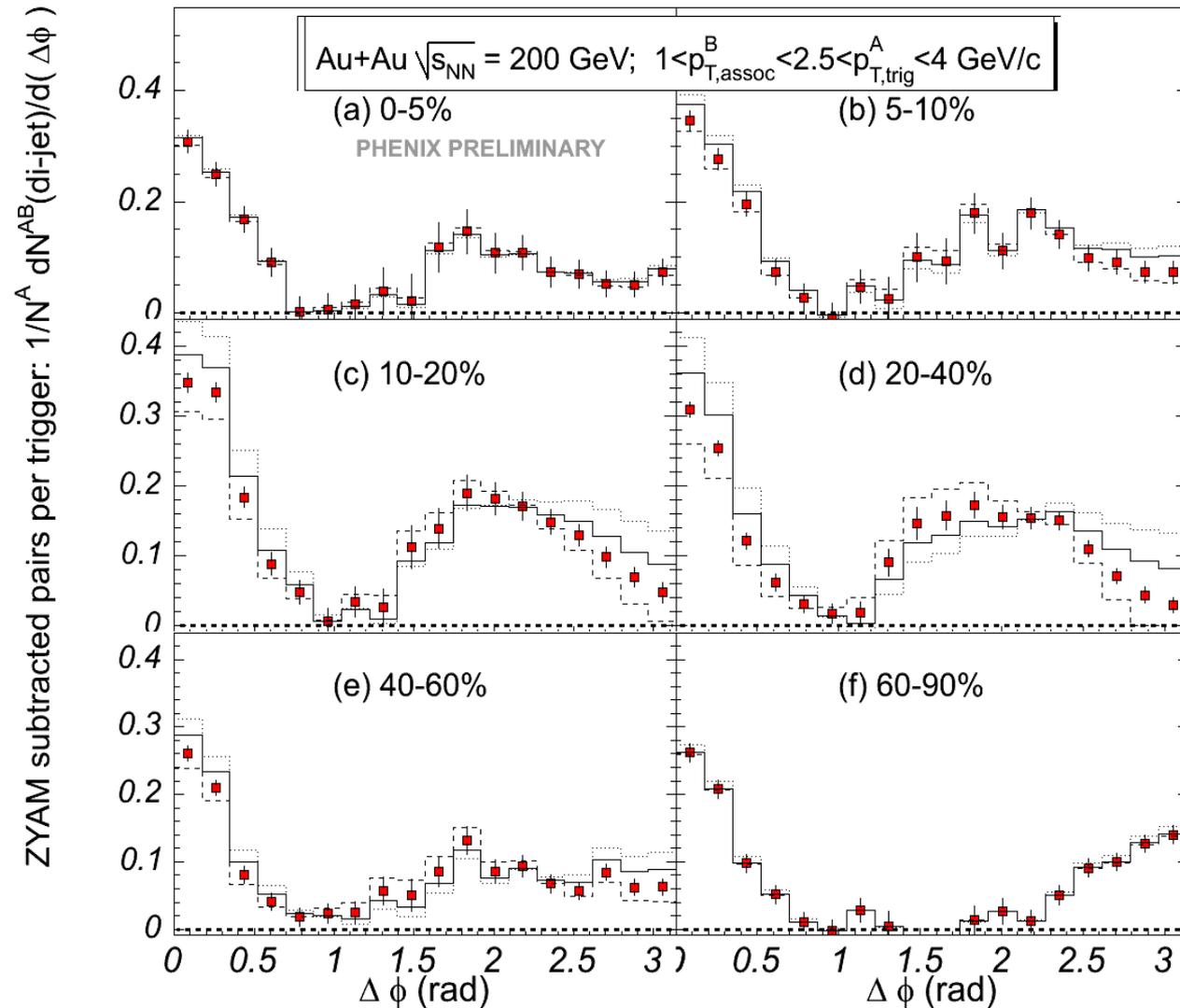
for central collisions  
 mean  $p_t$  on opposite side  
 looks nearly thermalized

$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV  
 Au+Au results:

Closed symbols  $\Leftrightarrow 4 < p_T^{trig} < 6$  GeV/c  
 Open symbols  $\Leftrightarrow 6 < p_T^{trig} < 10$  GeV/c

Assoc. particles:  
 $0.15 < p_T < 4$  GeV/c

# opening angle correlations between high $p_t$ particles



when asking for softer  
 particle opposite hard trigger  
 particle: dip ( $2\sigma$ ) at  $\Delta\phi = \pi$   
 except for most peripheral  
 bin

PHENIX Coll., S.S. Adler et  
 al., nucl-ex/0507004

# Mach cone due to sonic boom from quenched jets?

original idea:

Stöcker/Greiner 1976

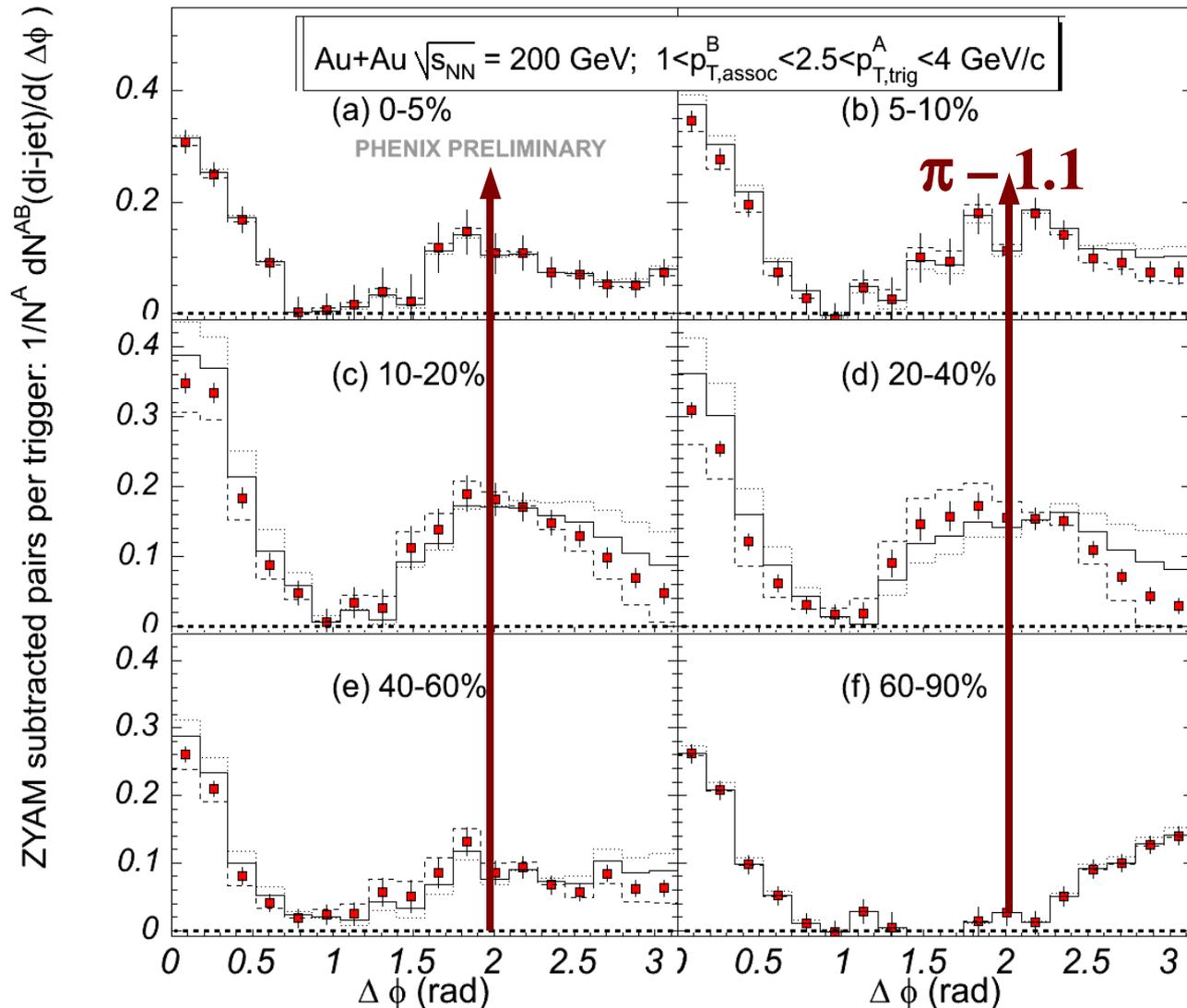
for nuclear reactions;

Stöcker 2004:

60° cone for jets in QGP

J.Casalderrey-Solana, E. Shuryak, D. Teaney, hep-ph/0411315

if this can be established  
far reaching consequences:  
sensitivity to speed of  
sound and EOS  
  
experimental challenge:  
can one see cone in 2d?  
rel to reaction plane?



# Observations at RHIC after 3 years running

- ★ hadron yields in chemical equilibrium, due to very rapid increase in densities close to  $T_c$  drive multi-particle collisions system to equilibrium
- ★ hadron spectra and azimuthal asymmetries (flow) quantitatively described by hydrodynamics (multidifferential distributions)
  - requires rapid local thermalization i.e. large cross sections
  - implies initial  $\epsilon_0 \approx 11-14 \text{ GeV/fm}^3$  well above  $\epsilon_c = 0.7 \text{ GeV/fm}^3$  and  $T_0 \approx 2 T_c$
- ★ high  $p_t$  hadrons suppressed in central AuAu collisions
  - medium effect, since not seen in dAu
  - jet quenching in hot medium expected
  - modelling with high parton density etc. successful but still schematic
  - different magnitude for baryons (quark coalescence?)
- ★ azimuthal correlations of high  $p_t$  particles:
  - disappearance of away-side peak for central AuAu collisions when  $p_t$  high enough
  - lower partner  $p_t$ : away-side peak broadened, momenta thermalized