

Charm Quark Jets in Au+Au Collisions at $\sqrt{s_{\rm NN}}$ = 200 GeV

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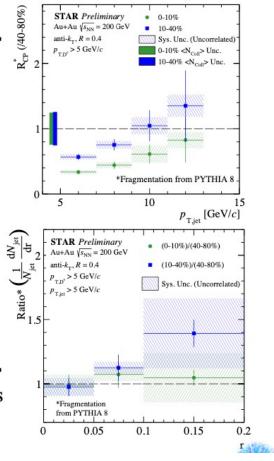
Recap

Summary

- First D⁰-tagged measurement at RHIC energies
- Fragmentation from PYTHIA 8 used for correcting jet momenta and substructure
 - ✓ Spectra for D⁰-tagged jets in central and mid-central events consistent with being suppressed with respect to peripheral events
 - ✓ Radial profile of D⁰ mesons in jets consistent with unity within uncertainties.

Outlook

- Measure fragmentation function for D⁰-tagged jets in Au+Au collisions
- Extend kinematic reach to low $D^0 p_T$ to get closer to charm quark mass



ISSUES

- 1. Fragmentation function for PYTHIA is 'too' hard for the full range of D0 pT
- 2. For low D^0 p_T in jets, unfolding is dependent on the fragmentation function

Details here: https://drupal.star.bnl.gov/STAR/system/files/Kelsey_JetCorr_17Mar2022.pdf

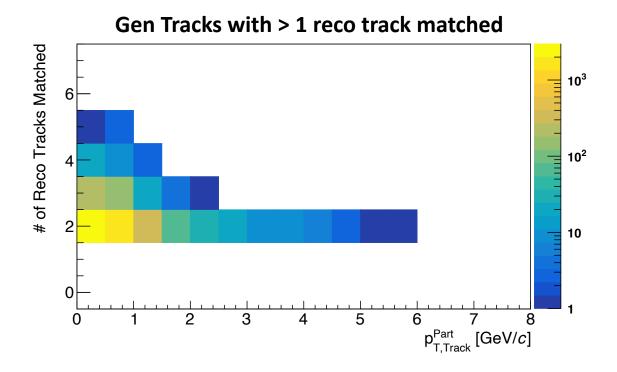
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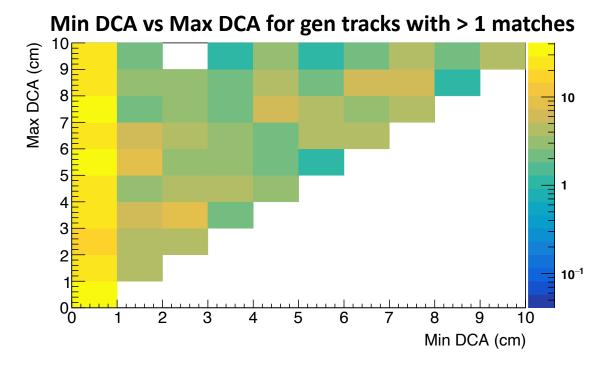
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Reco Track with lowest DCA is chosen as the matched track

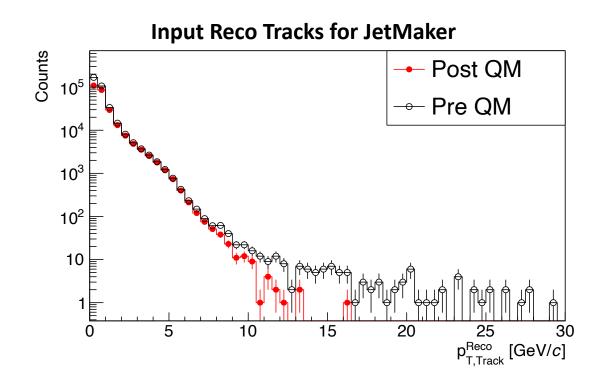
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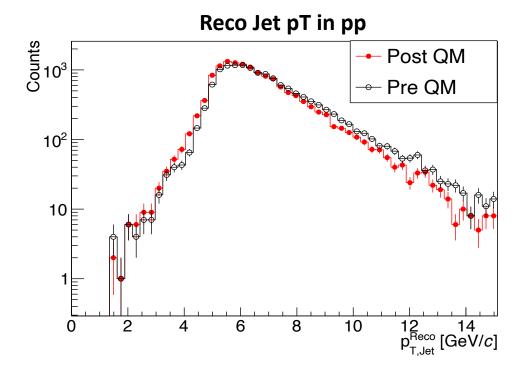
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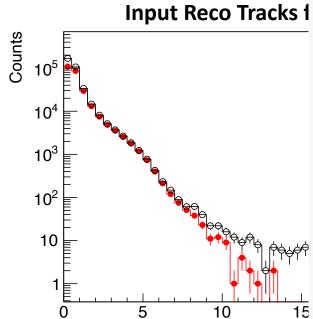


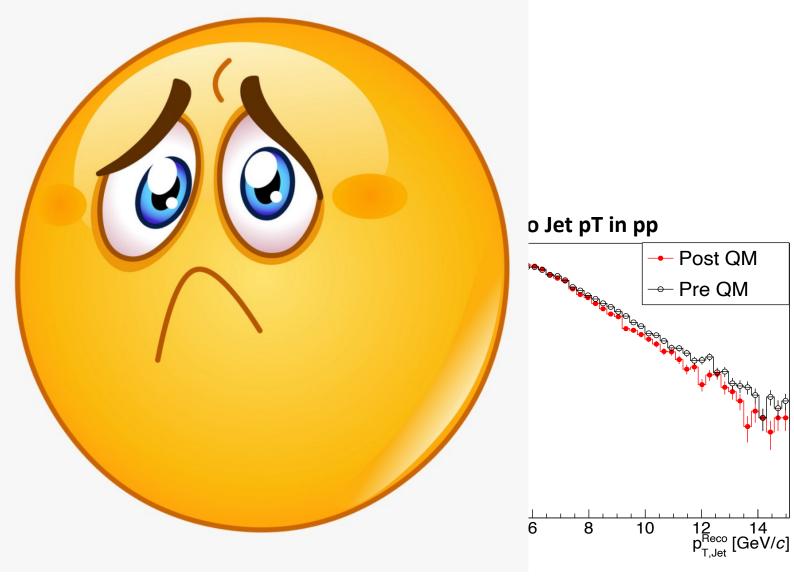
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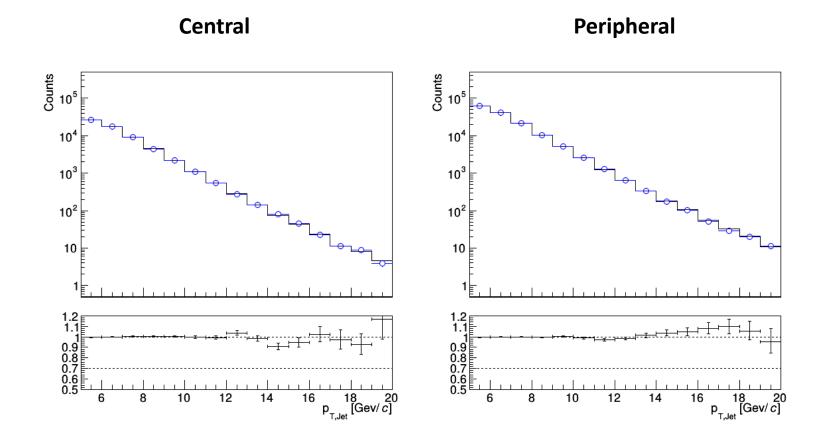


Different Jet pT distributions → Changes in response matrix

Revisiting 1D Unfolding Closure

PYTHIA 8 Detroit Tune

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- $3 < p_{T,Jet}^{Reco} < 30 \text{ GeV/c}$
- $\left|\eta_{\text{let}}^{\text{Gen,Reco}}\right| < 0.6$
- Misses: Everything outside the acceptance in p_T and η
- Background estimated with single particle embedding



All centralities close well with new response matrices

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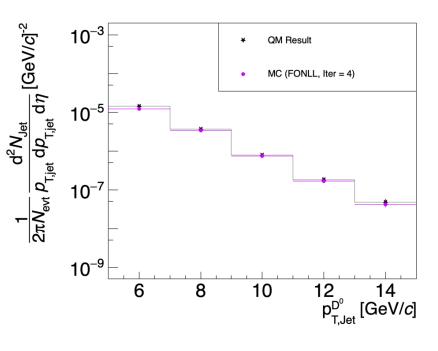
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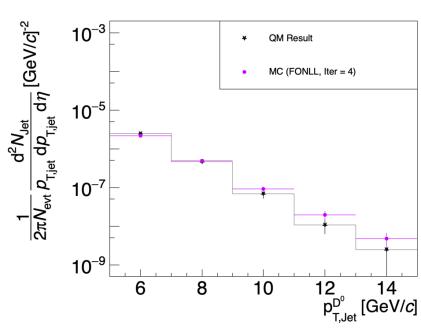
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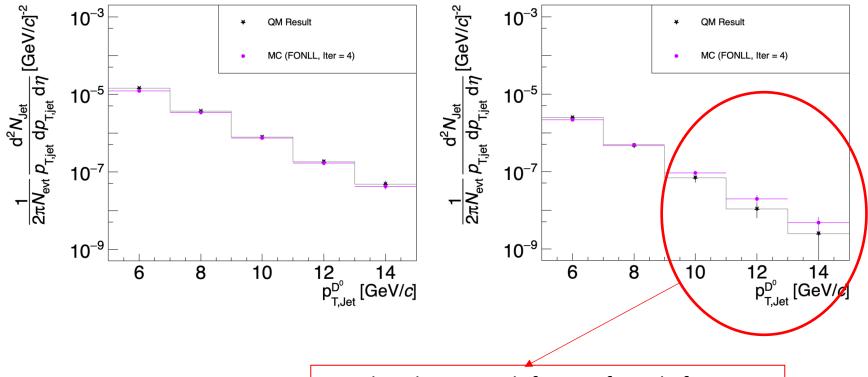
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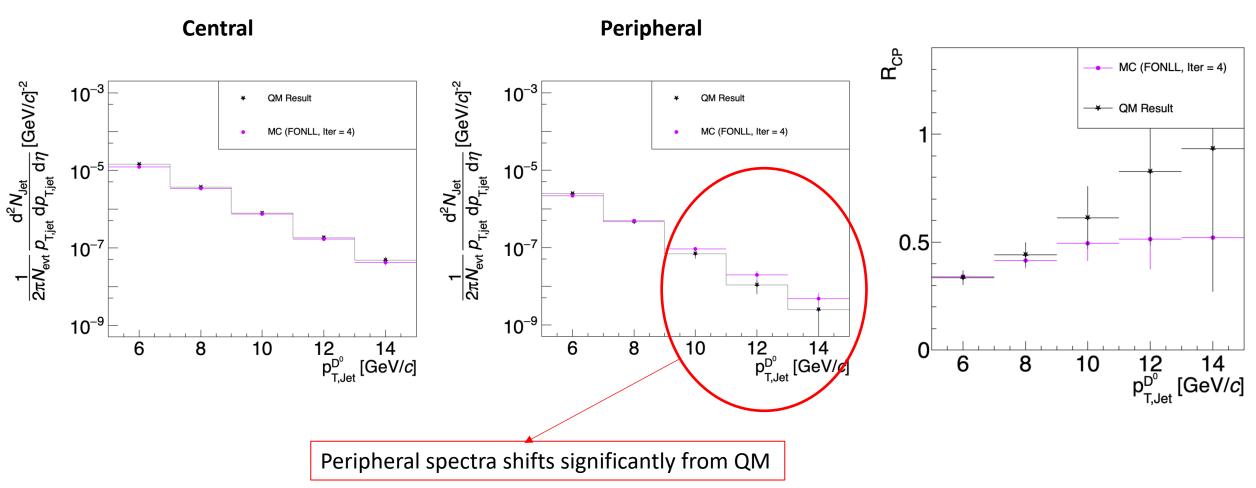


Peripheral spectra shifts significantly from QM

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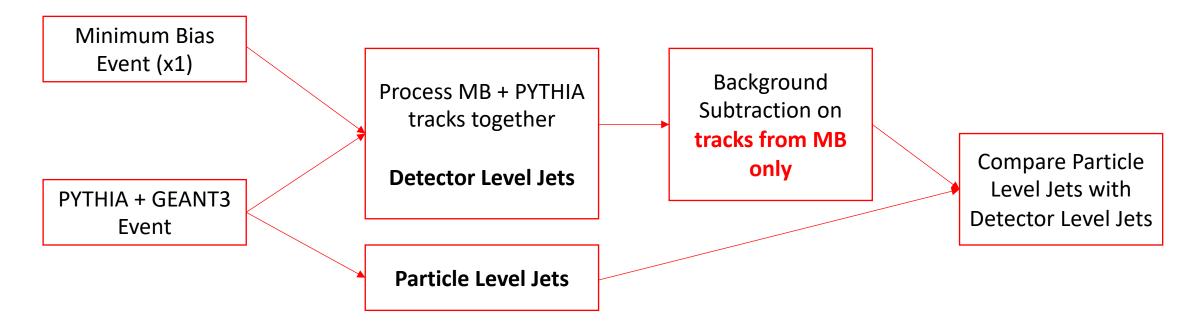


Rise of RCP with Jet pT less steep after corrections

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Updating the simulation

Earlier, single particle embedded in minimum bias event to determine background fluctuation

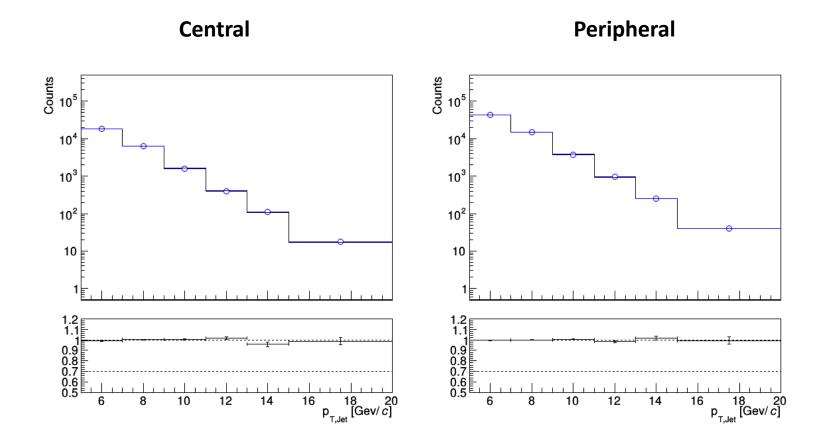


- Get a minimum bias event
- Sample a PYTHIA event for each minimum bias event
- Run jet maker on the PYTHIA events 'embedded' in the minimum bias event -> This is PARTICLE level
- Run jet maker on the combined PYTHIA + Minbias event -> This is **DETECTOR** level
- Each PYTHIA event is sampled ~10 times on average

Closure with Heavy Ion Overlay for 1D Unfolding

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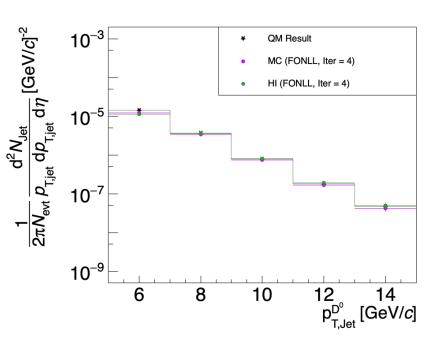
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Unfolding Data With HI Overlay

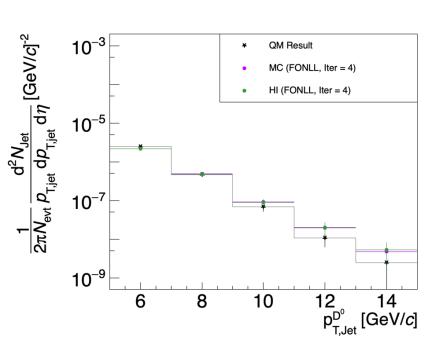
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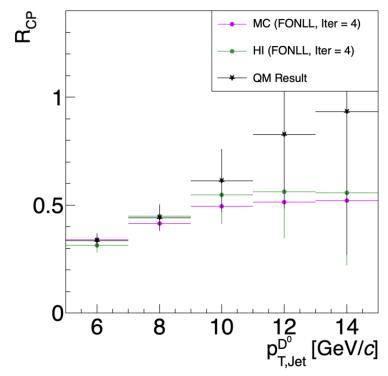
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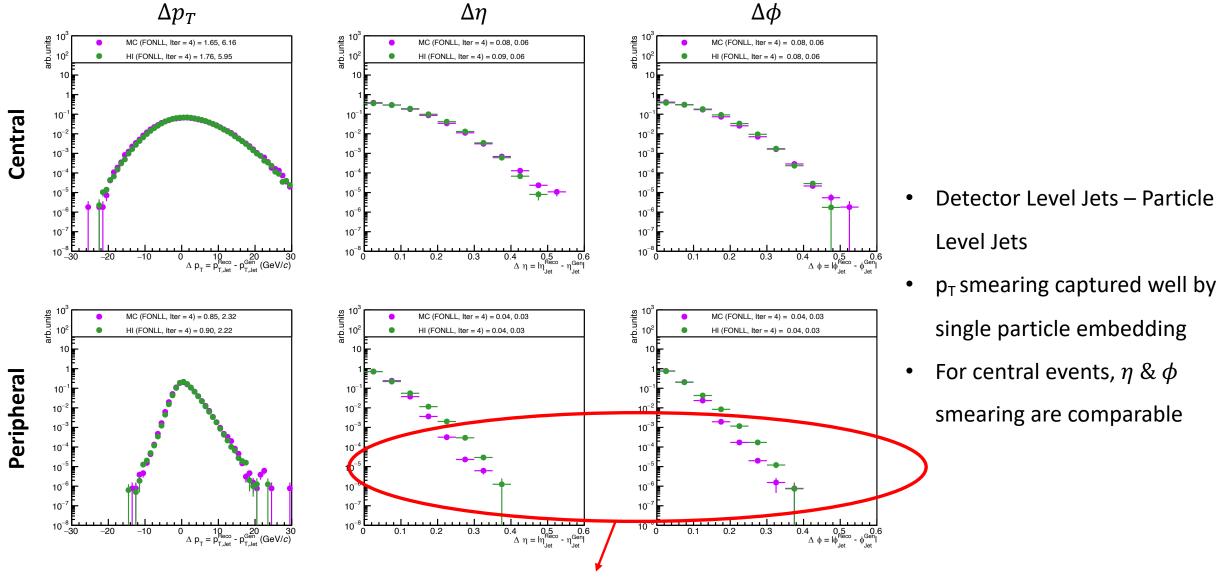
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Slight differences in spectra – Good overall agreement

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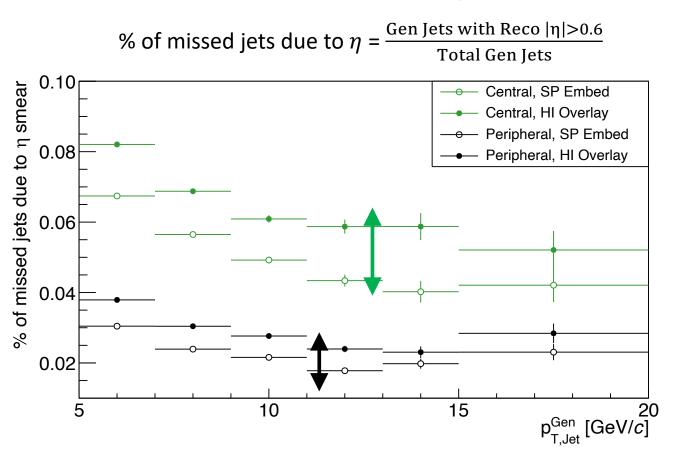


Reco Jets in HI Overlay for peripheral events have larger smearing in η , ϕ

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Example of effect of different η smearing



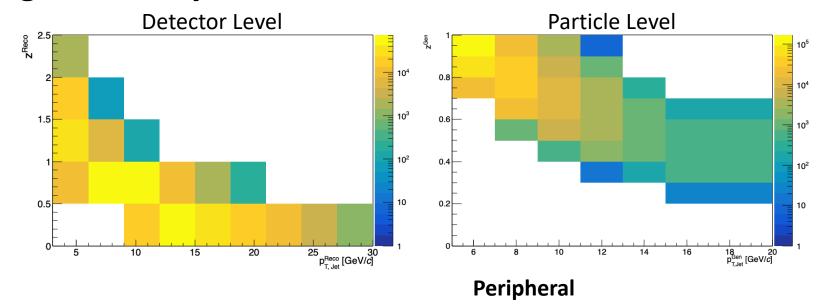
- ~2% difference in central events
- ~1% difference in peripheral events

Small differences between HI and Single Particle Embedding can be attributed to the η smear.

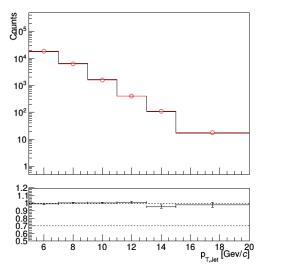
HI is more reliable (?)

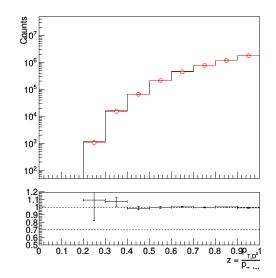
Closure For 2D Unfolding Using HI Overlay

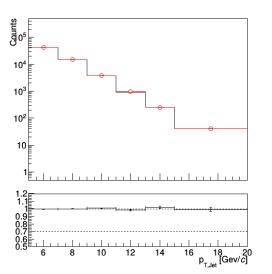
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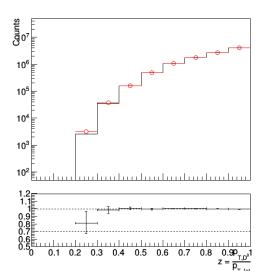


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Jet pT and Fragmentation function close simultaneously using HI Overlay

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Fragmentation Function From Data - Unfolding using HI

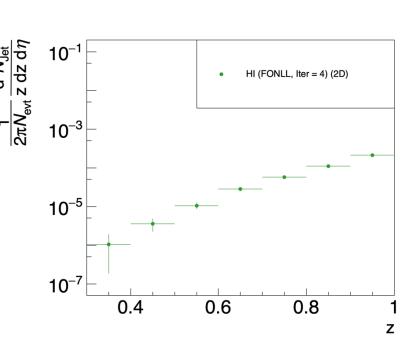
FIRST LOOK

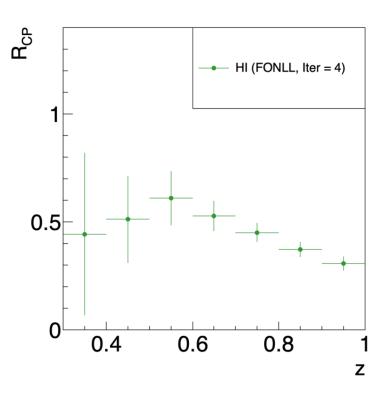
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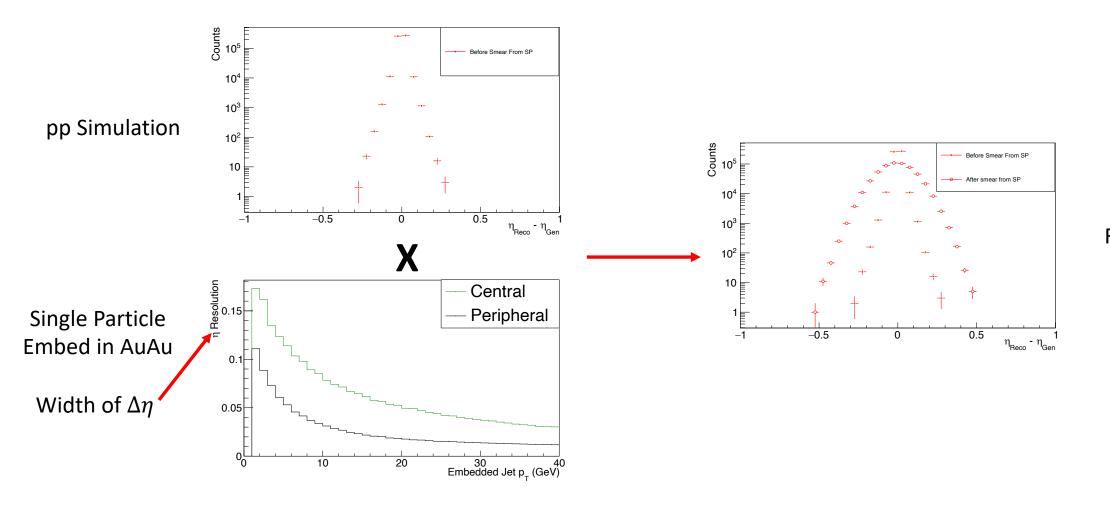
- Changed preliminary spectra due to missed track QA cuts in QM results.
- Heavy-Ion Overlay is a viable alternative for unfolding.
- Results from HI and SP Embedding have pretty good agreement.
- HI gives us enough stats to attempt 2D unfolding in Jet pT and z axis.
- First look at the unfolded z spectra and RCP.

Outlook

- Extending to D0 pT > 1 GeV/c, where PYTHIA prior is possibly incorrect.
- Theory expectations for RCP of fragmentation functions (?)

BACKUP

η smearing steps in simulation



Final $\Delta\eta$ in AuAu

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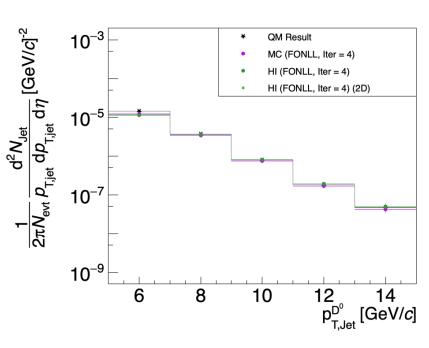
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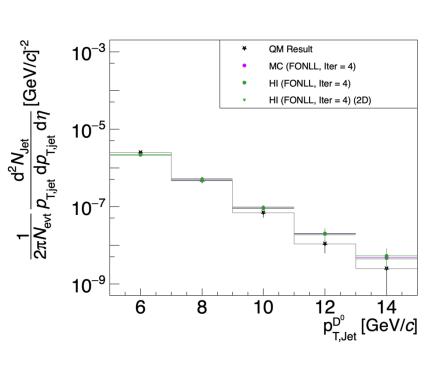
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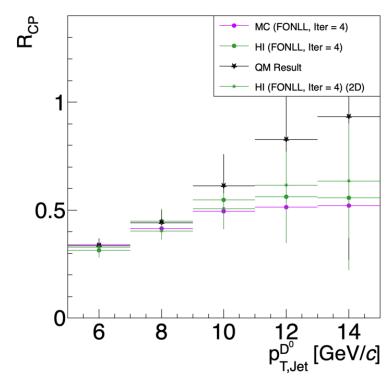
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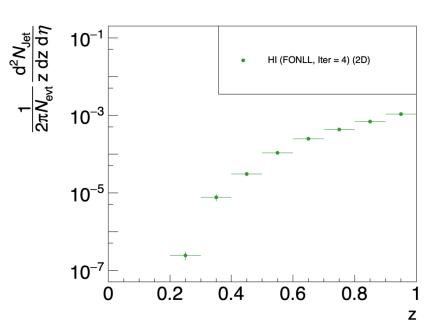
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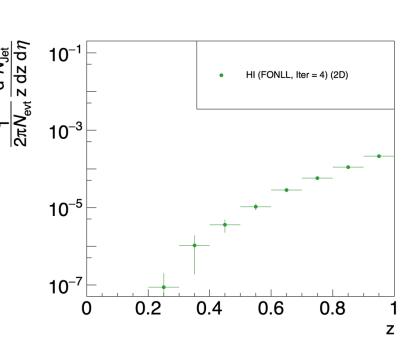
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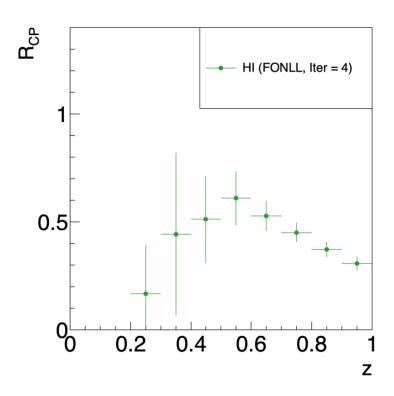
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