



# Prompt identified particle spectra at RHIC-STAR

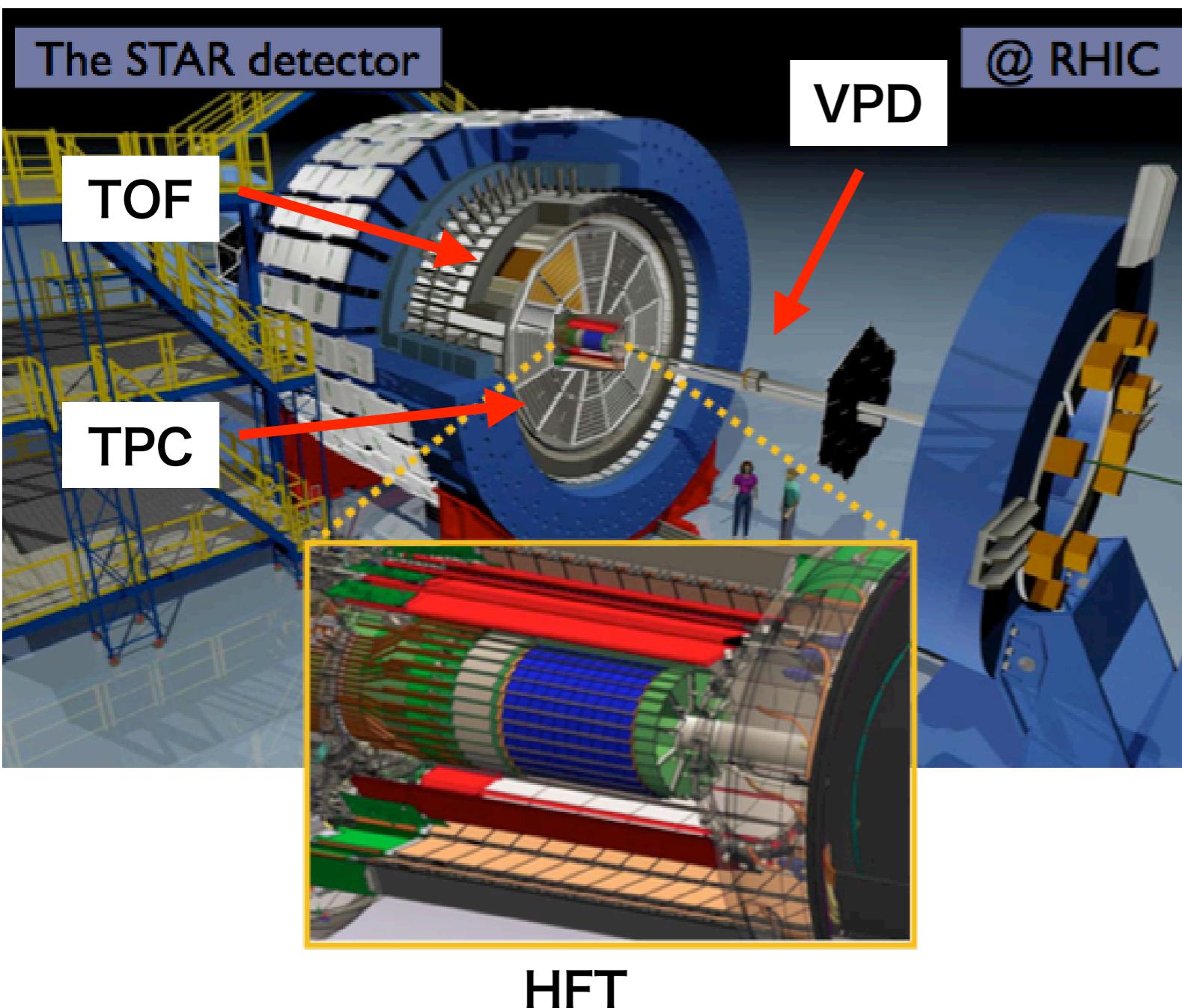
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# Motivation



- Inclusive proton includes ~40% of protons from weak decay in Au+Au 200GeV.  
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- STAR - inclusive proton spectra  
not corrected for weak decay feed down contribution  
PHENIX - prompt proton spectra  
proton coming from  $\Lambda$  is estimated based on  
model simulations
- This result will be first direct measurement of prompt proton  $p_T$  spectra with new HFT detector at RHIC.
  - Uncertainty will decrease significantly due to smaller simulation correction.

# STAR detector



**Vertex Position Detector**  
Minimum bias trigger

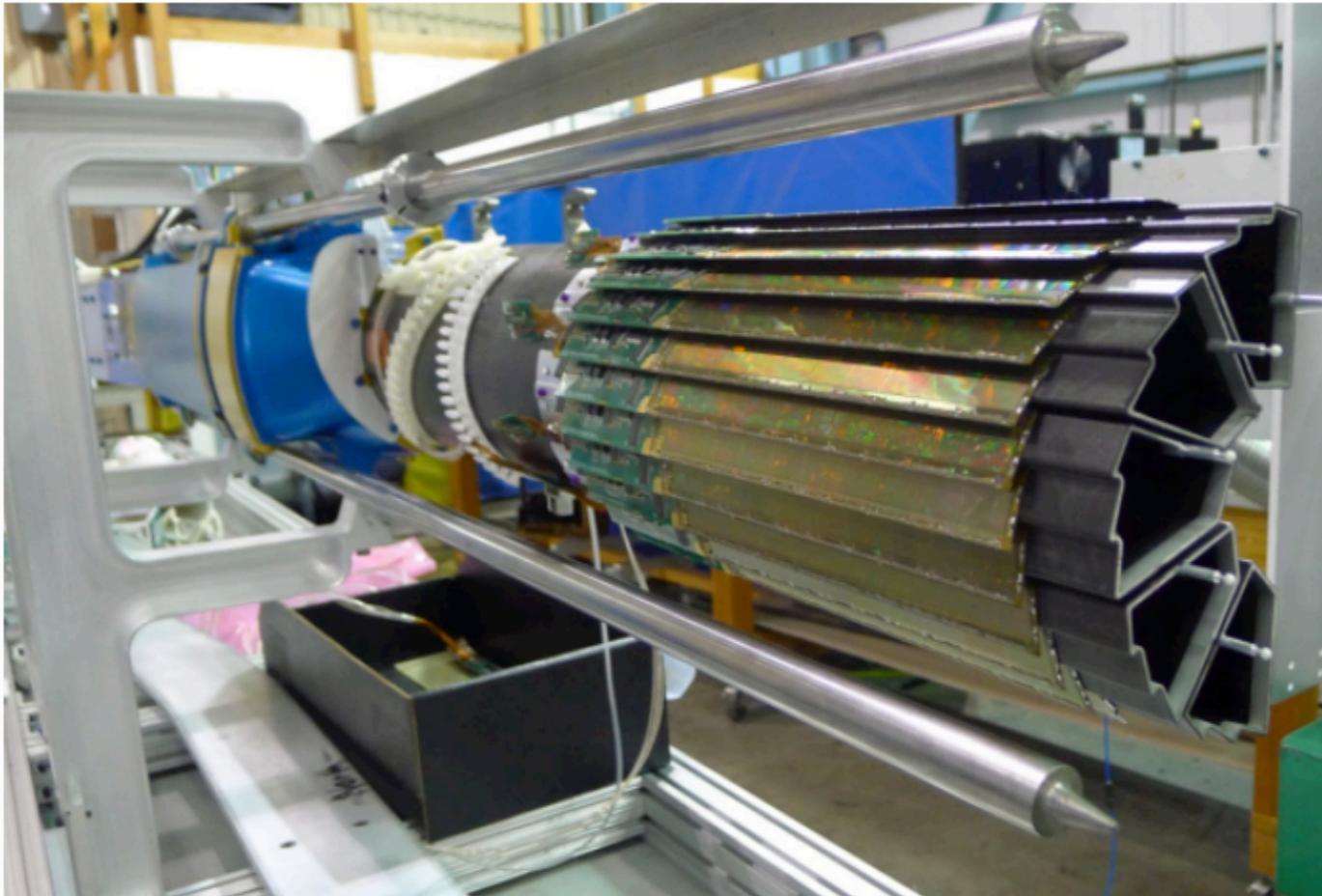
**Time Projection Chamber**  
Centrality definition  
Particle trajectory  
Momentum  
PID ( $dE/dx$ )  
**Time Of Flight**  
PID (flight time :  $1/\beta$ )

**Heavy Flavor Tracker**

# Heavy Flavor Tracker detector



## PIXEL detector



Acceptance

$$-1 < \eta < 1$$

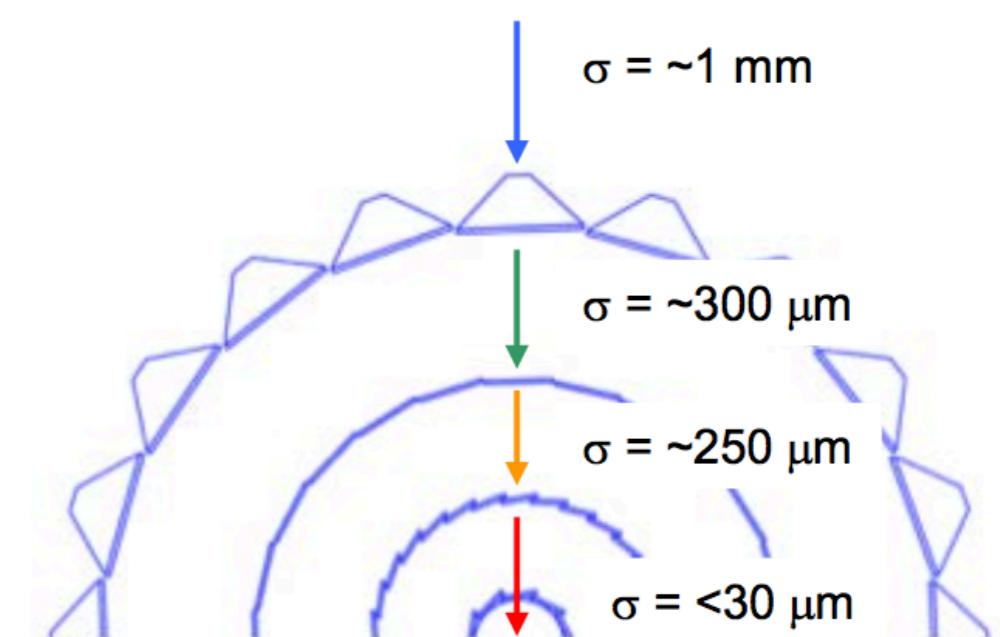
$$0 < \phi < 2\pi$$

Good resolution of DCA  
(Distance of Closest Approach)  
Particle track - collision point

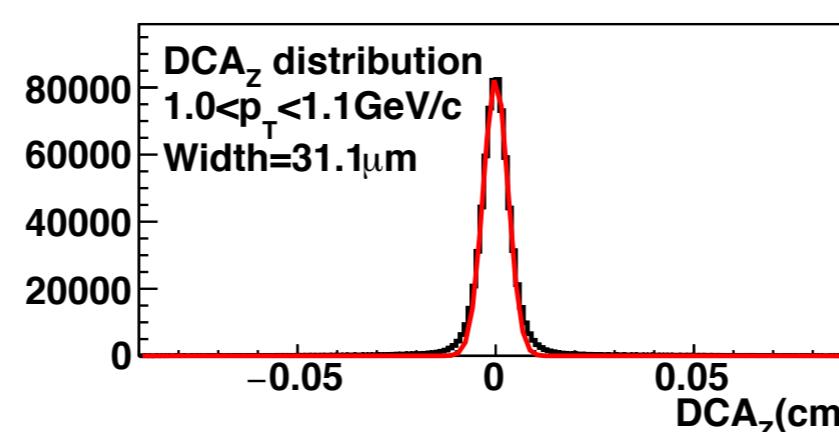
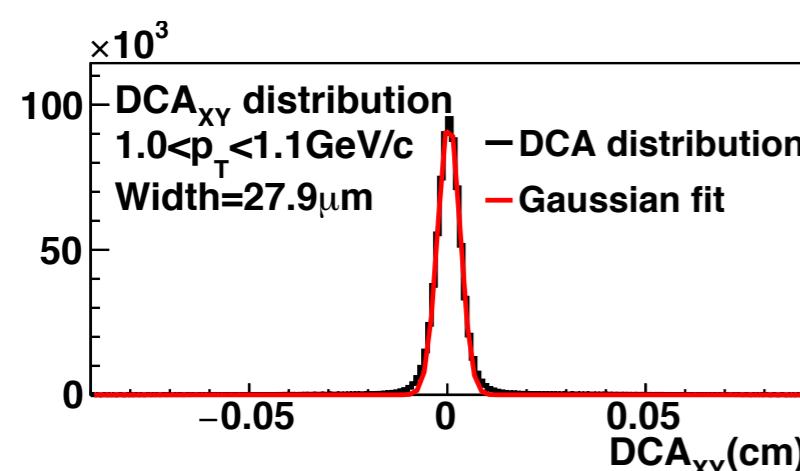
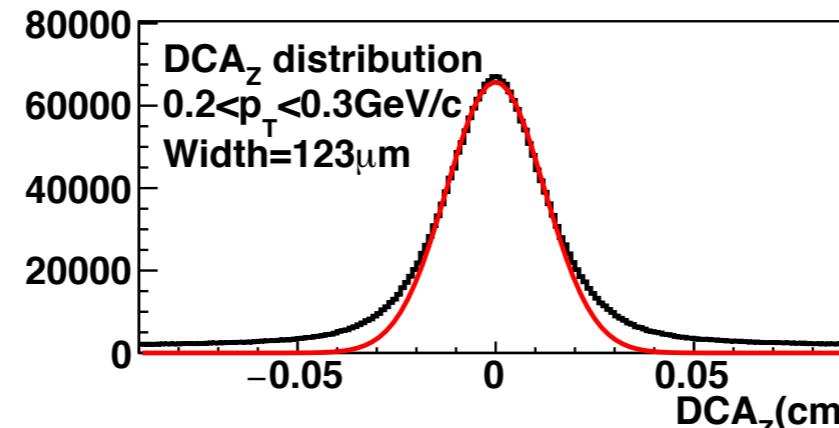
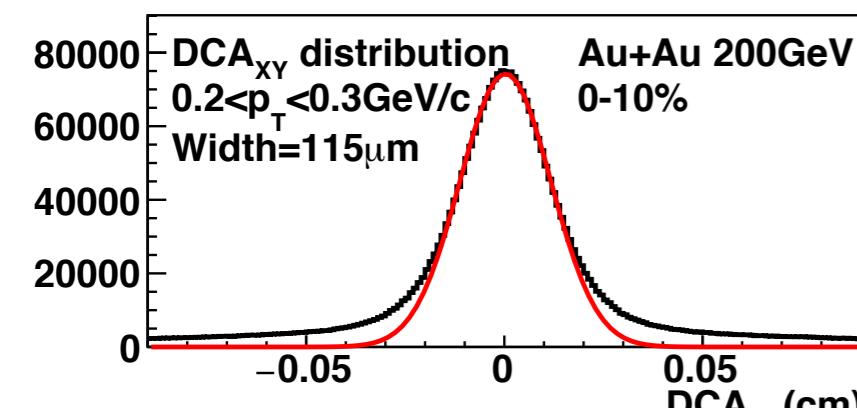
**Silicon Strip Detector** :  $r \sim 22\text{cm}$

**Intermediate Silicon Tracker** :  $r \sim 14\text{cm}$

**PIXEL** :  $r \sim 2.8, 8\text{cm}$



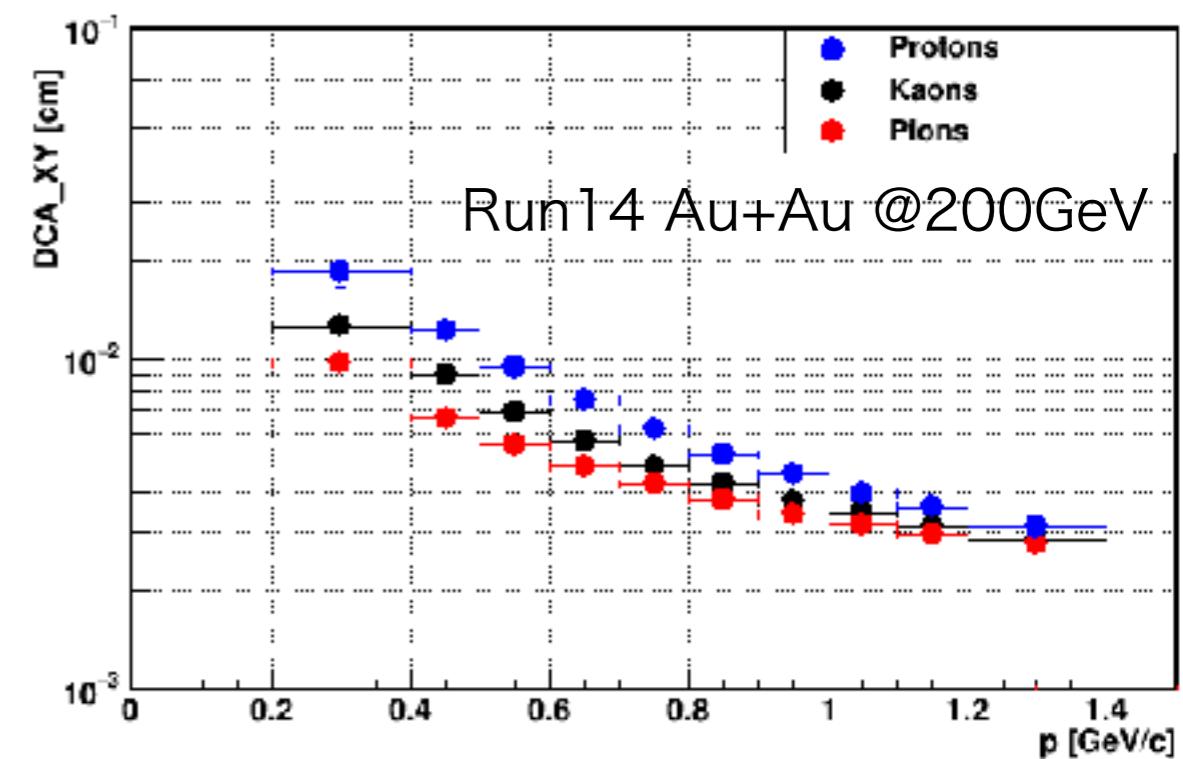
# HFT performance



DCA in XY plane and Z direction  
Width : <50 $\mu\text{m}$  at  $p_T=1 \text{ GeV}/c$

DCA distribution from data in AuAu 200GeV 0-10% centrality inclusive charged particles

## DCA Resolution



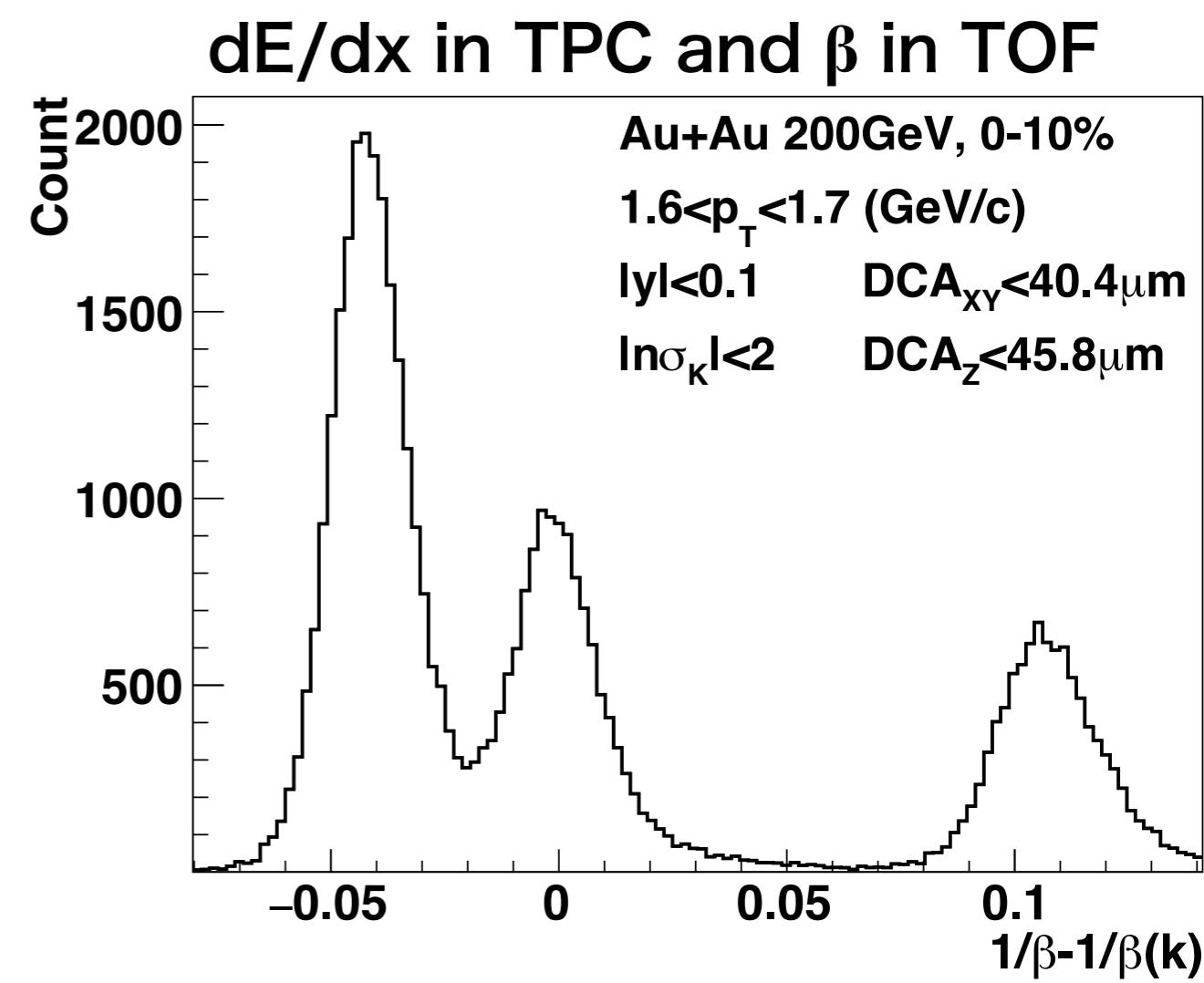
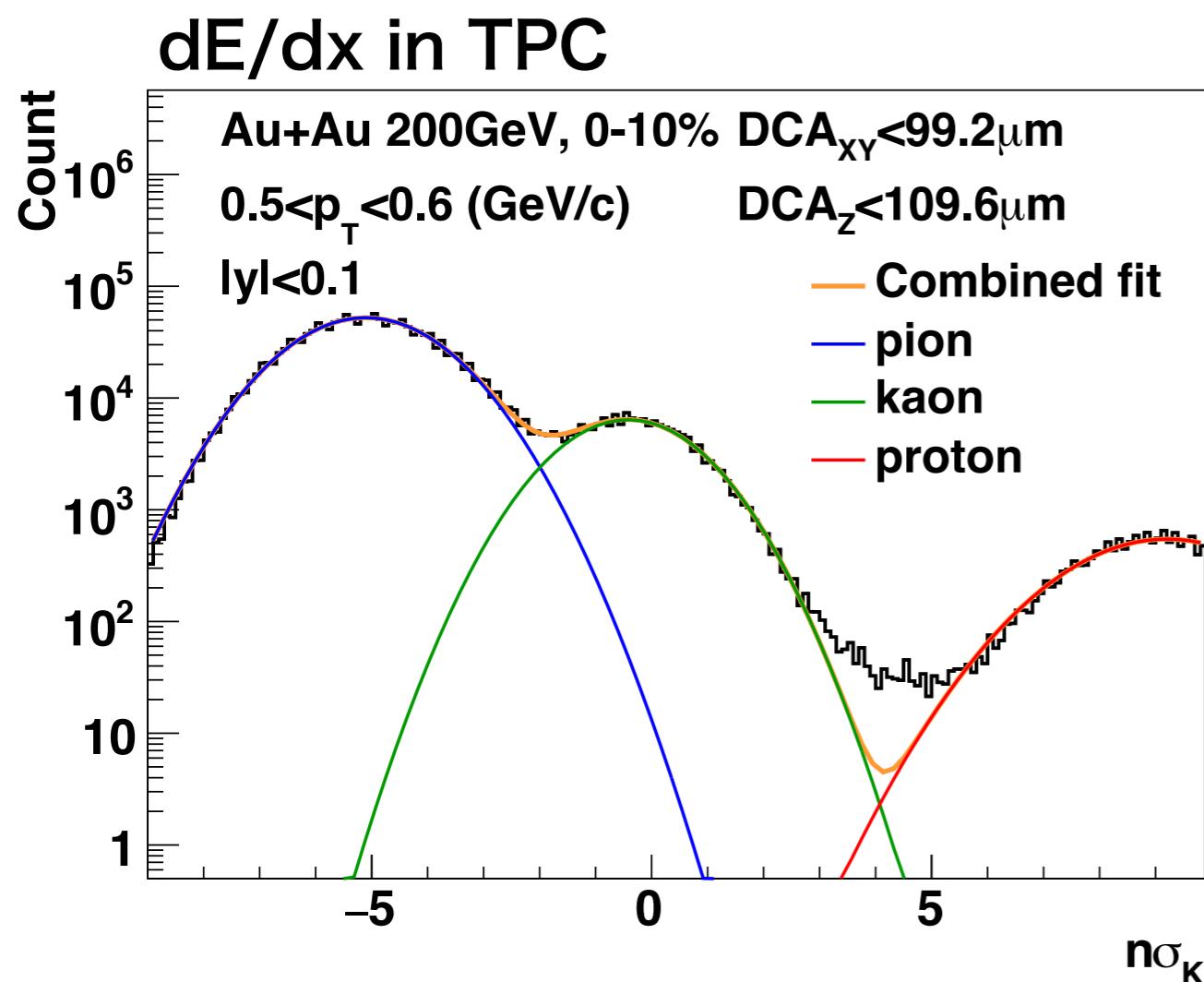
# Particle Identification



Track selection

At least one hit for each HFT layer

DCA selection is determined with resolution.



# Detector inefficiency & acceptance

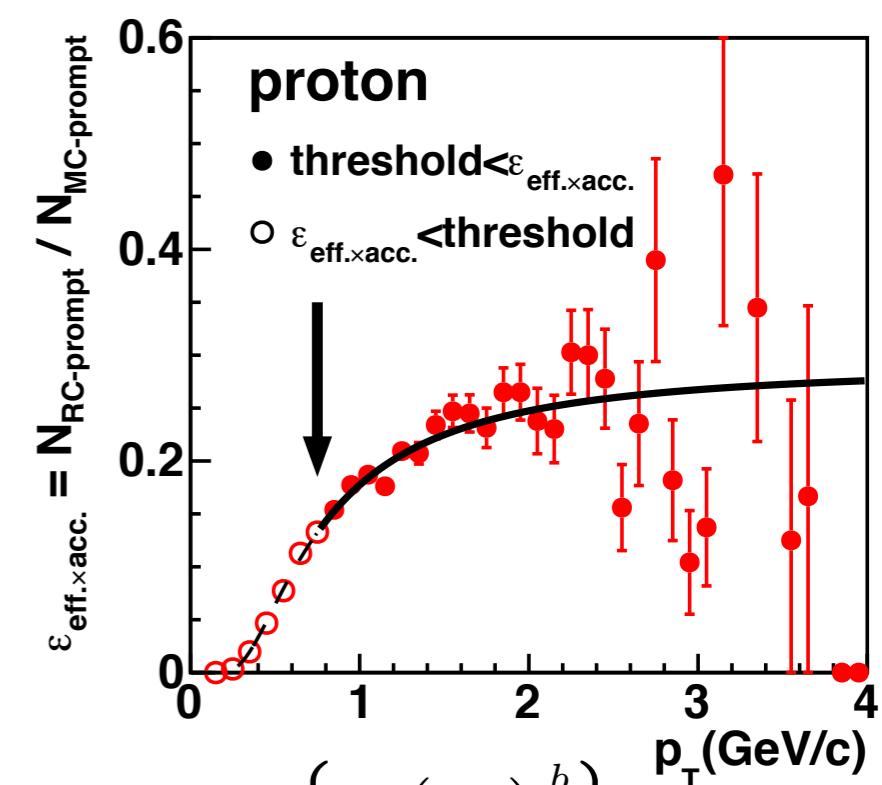
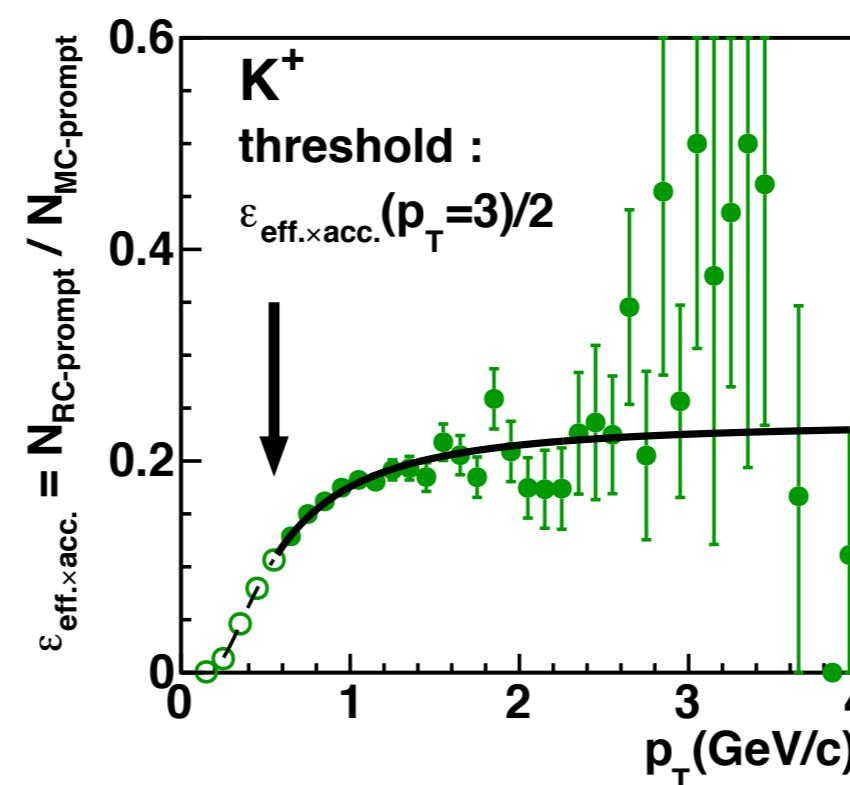
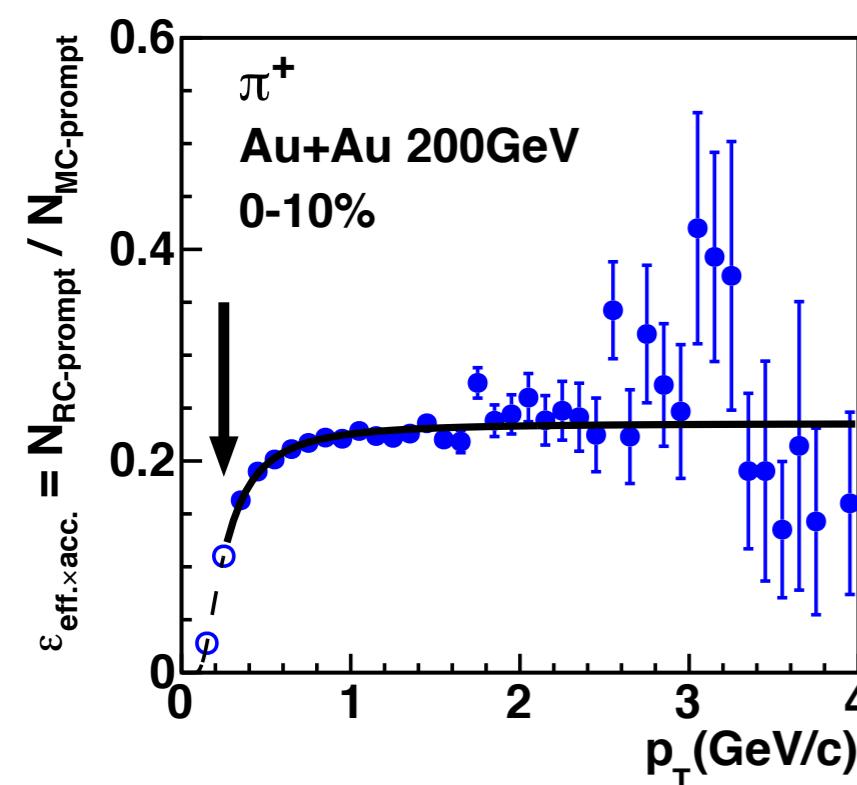
Extracted from HIJING and GEANT simulation

The combination of TPC and HFT efficiency and acceptance

$$\varepsilon_{\text{eff.} \times \text{acc.}} = \frac{N_{\text{RC-prompt particle}}}{N_{\text{MC-prompt particle}}}$$

$N_{\text{MC-prompt particle}}$  : The number of created prompt particles

$N_{\text{RC-prompt particle}}$  : The number of reconstructed real prompt particles



$$F = A \exp \left\{ - \left( \frac{a}{p_T} \right)^b \right\}$$

# The purity of prompt particles

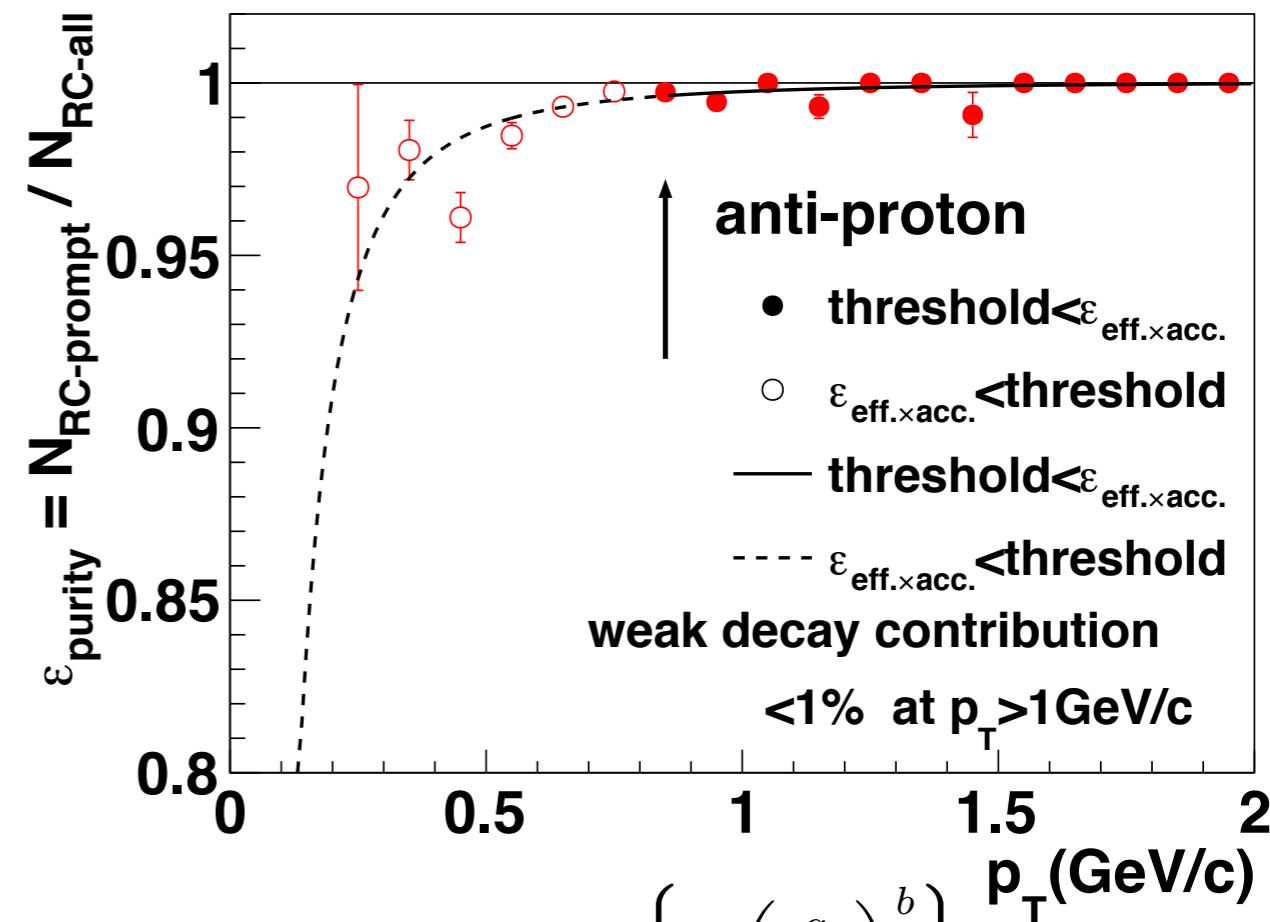
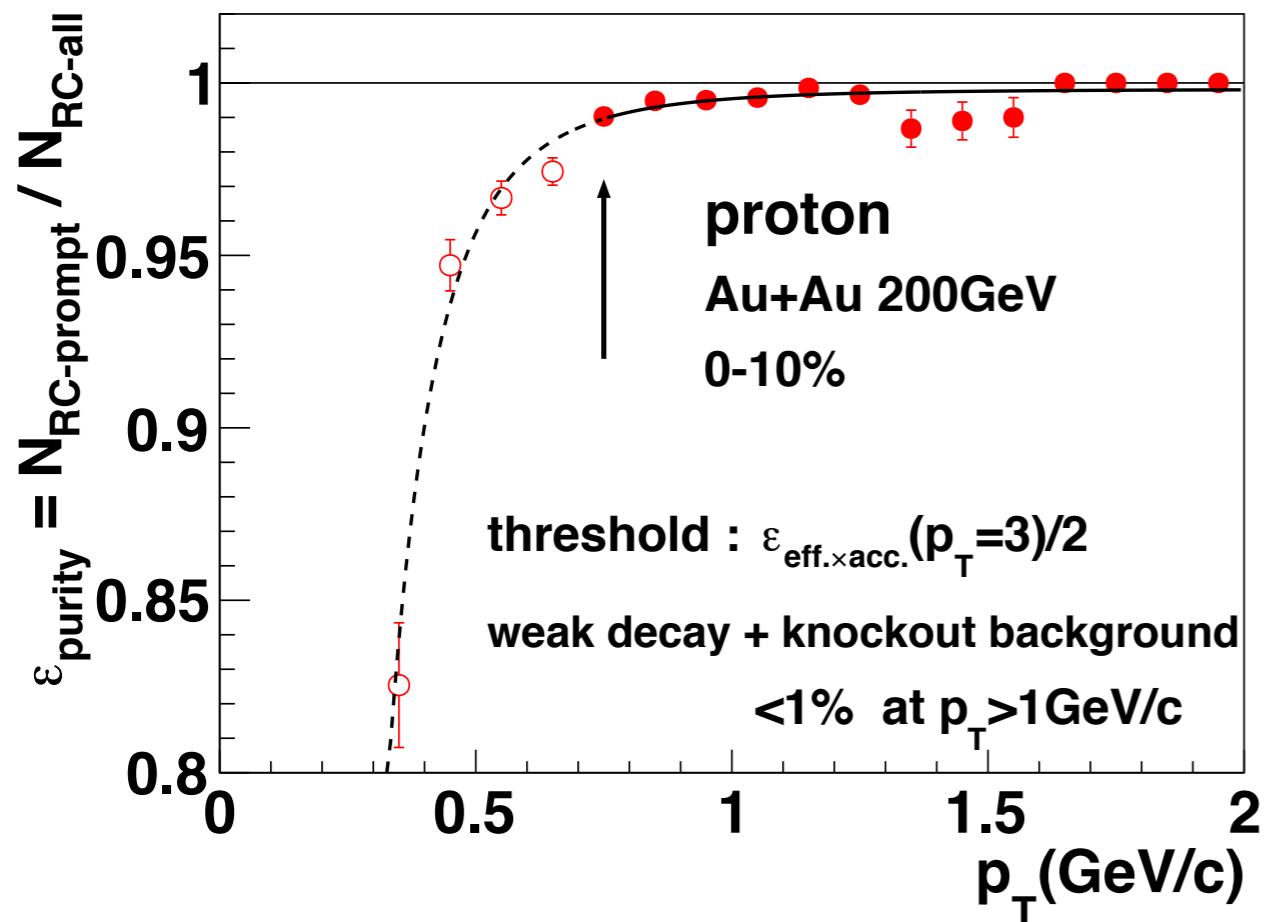


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# $p_T$ spectra correction



$$\frac{1}{2\pi p_T} \frac{d^2 N}{dp_T dy} = \frac{1}{2\pi p_T} \frac{1}{N_{evt}} \frac{\varepsilon_{\text{purity}}}{\varepsilon_{\text{eff.} \times \text{acc.}}} \frac{N}{\Delta p_T \Delta y}$$

Systematic uncertainty

TPC efficiency : ~5%

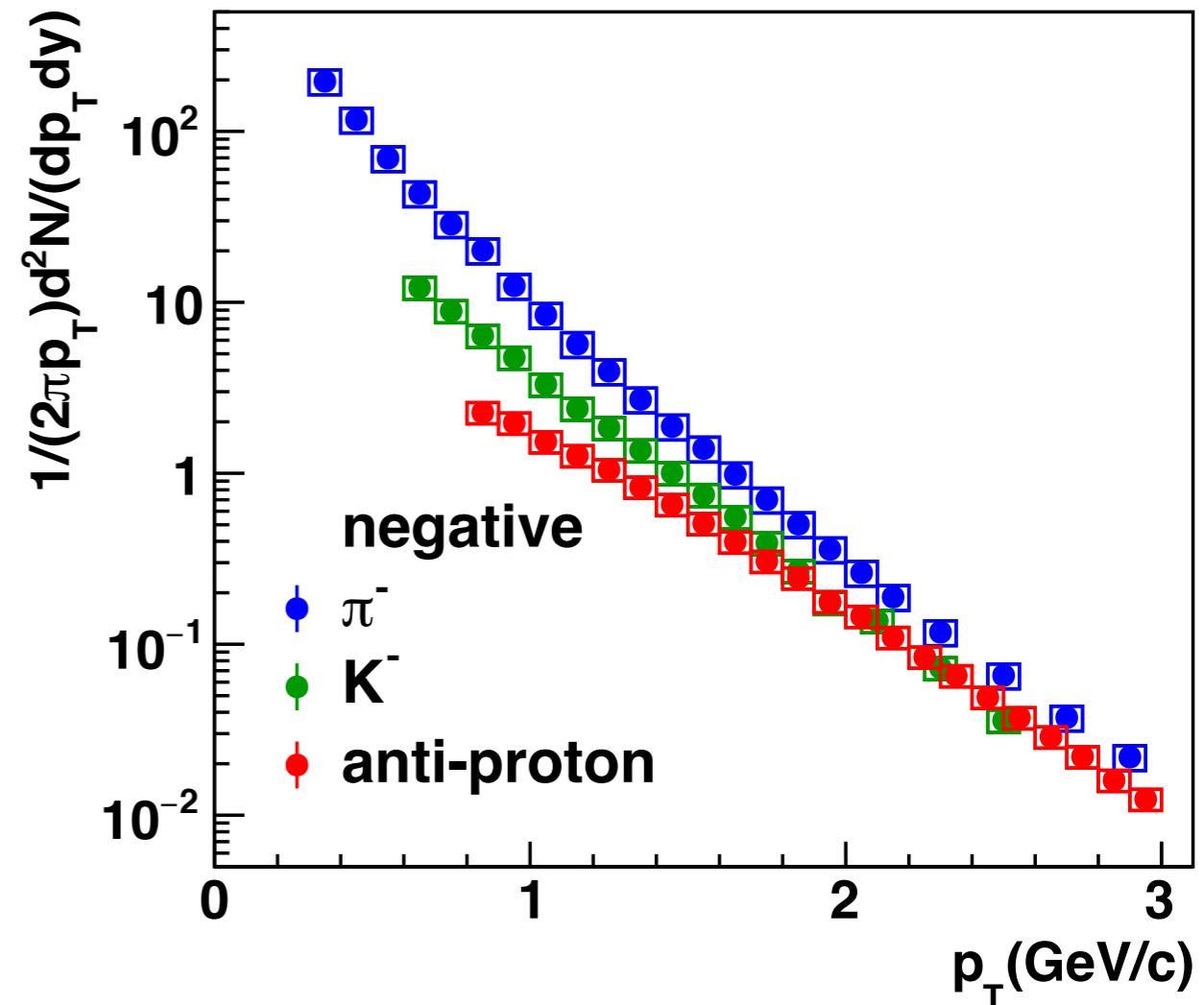
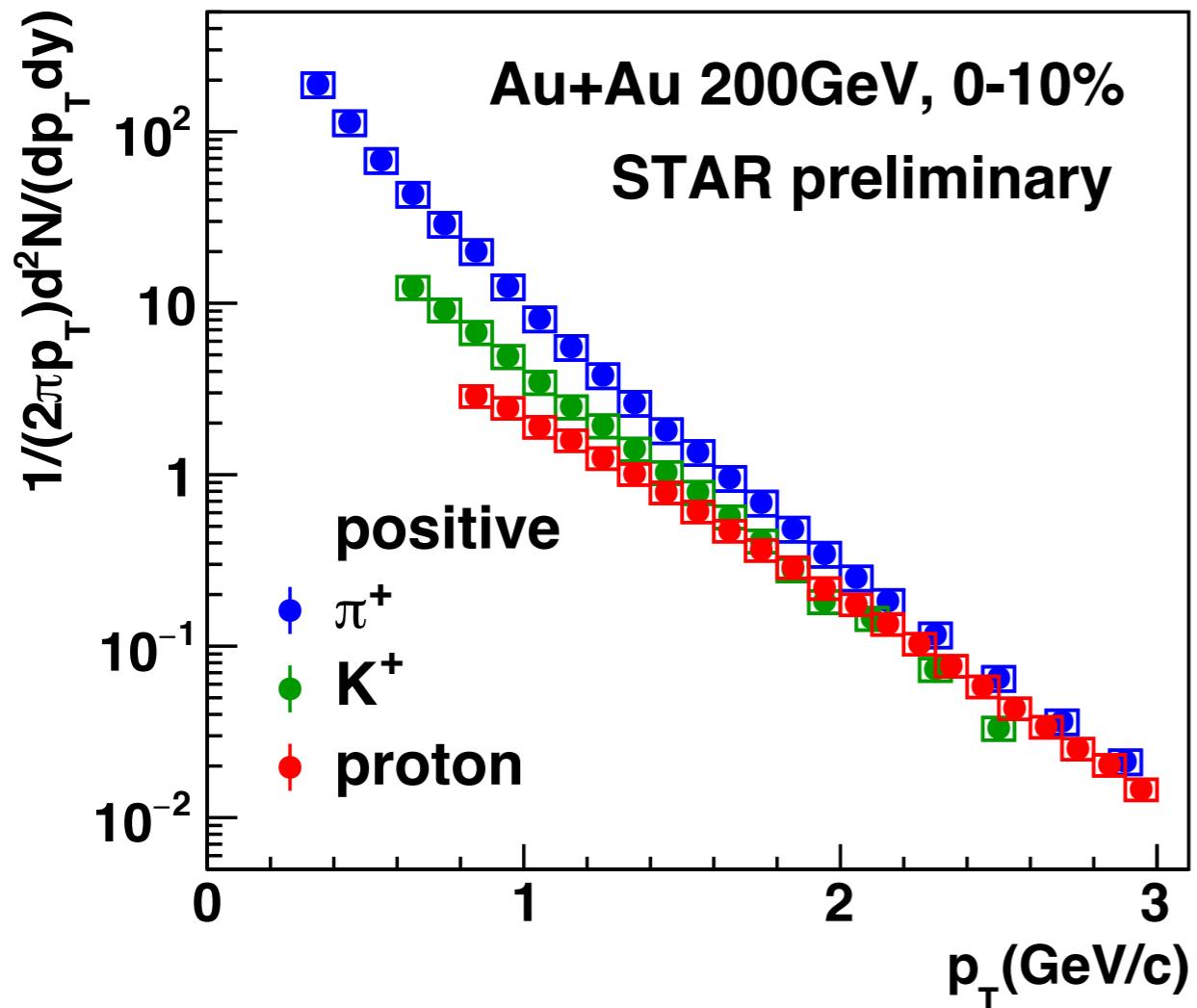
HFT matching efficiency : <13%

The difference of HFT matching efficiency  
between data and simulation

DCA selection : <10%

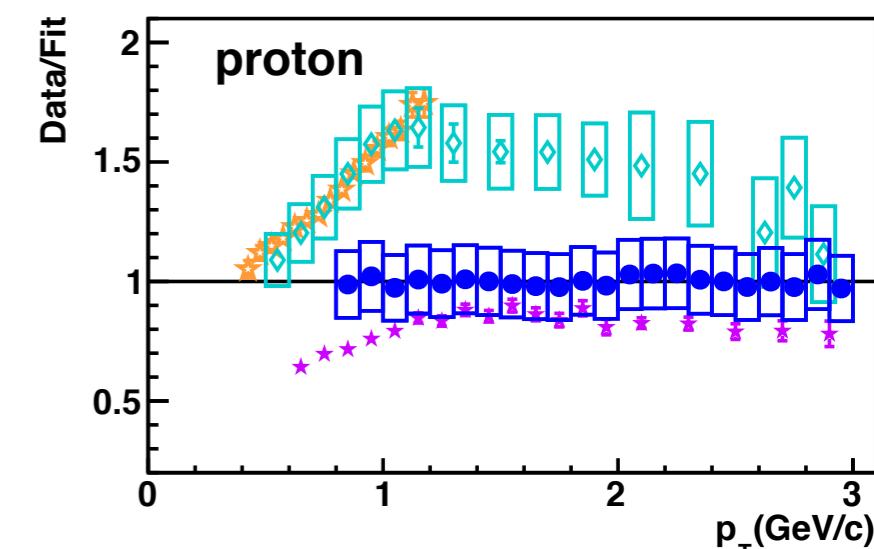
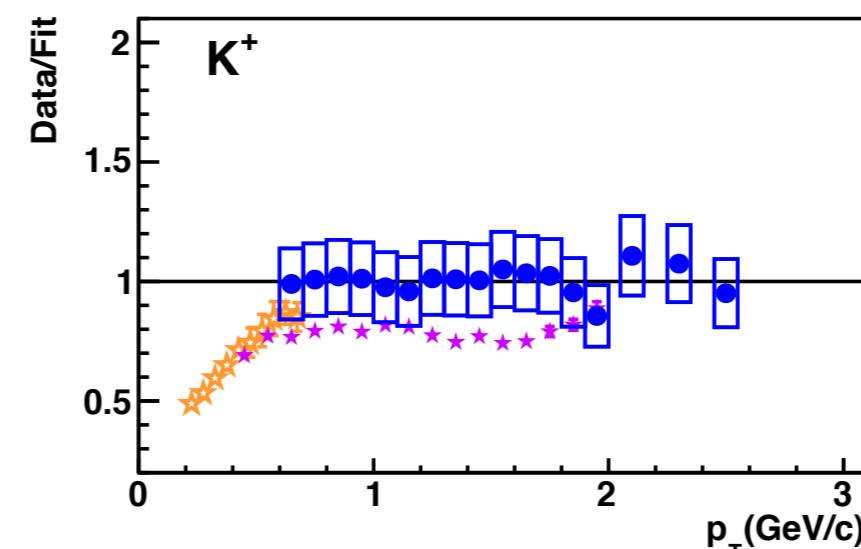
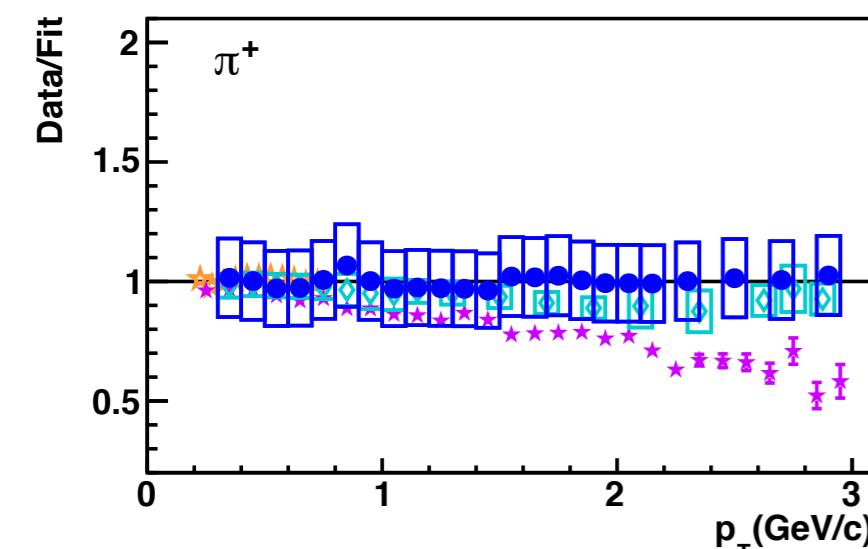
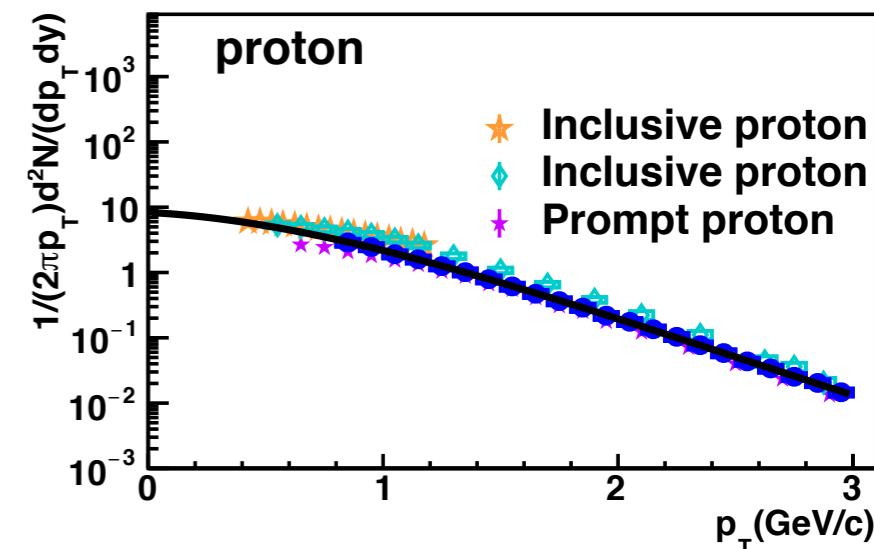
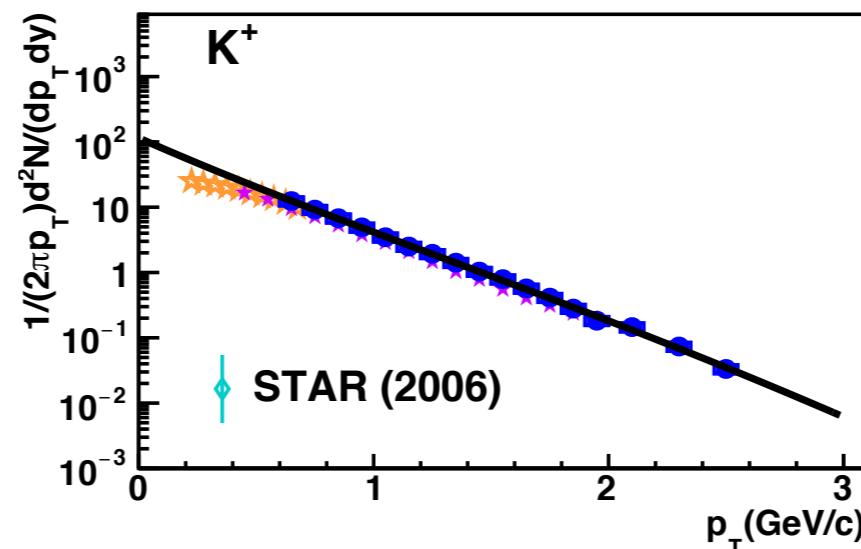
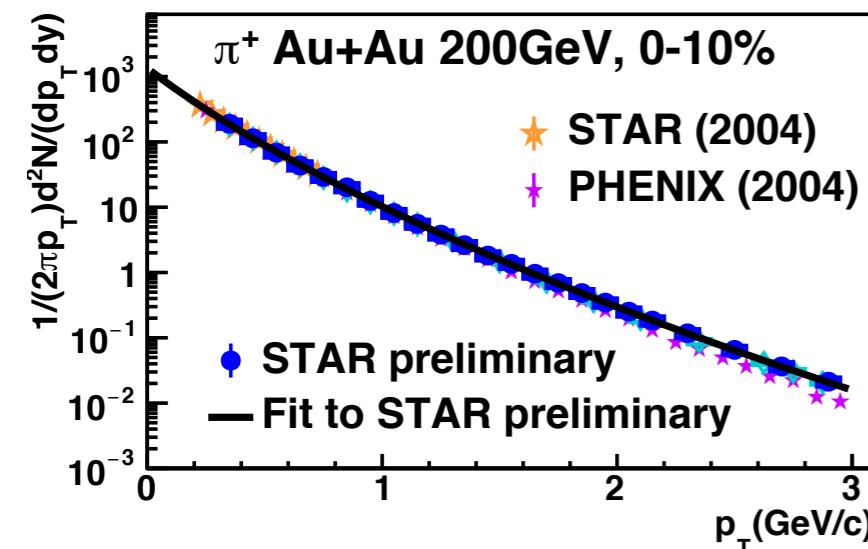
Particle species dependent

# $\pi$ , K, p $p_T$ spectra



PID spectra with the HFT in Au-Au 200GeV  
The shape depends on particle mass.

# $\pi$ , K, p $p_T$ spectra



Modify Hagedorn equation

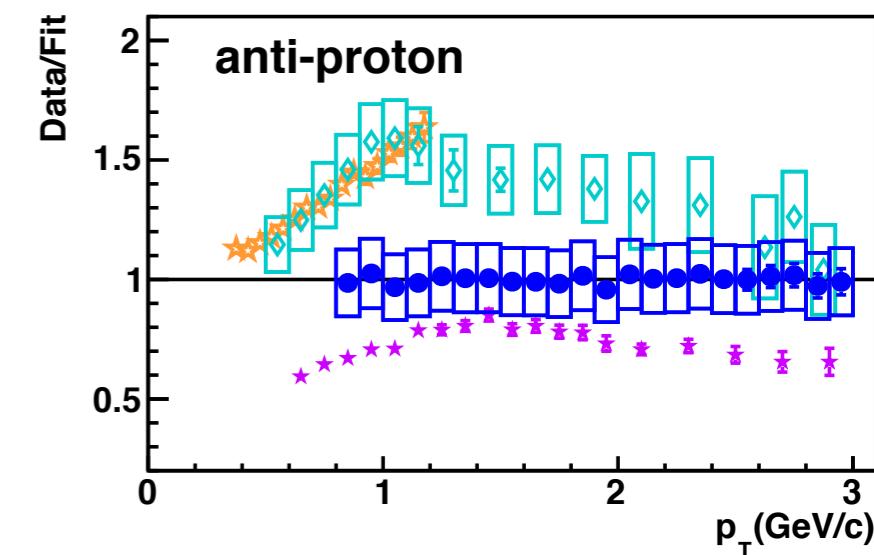
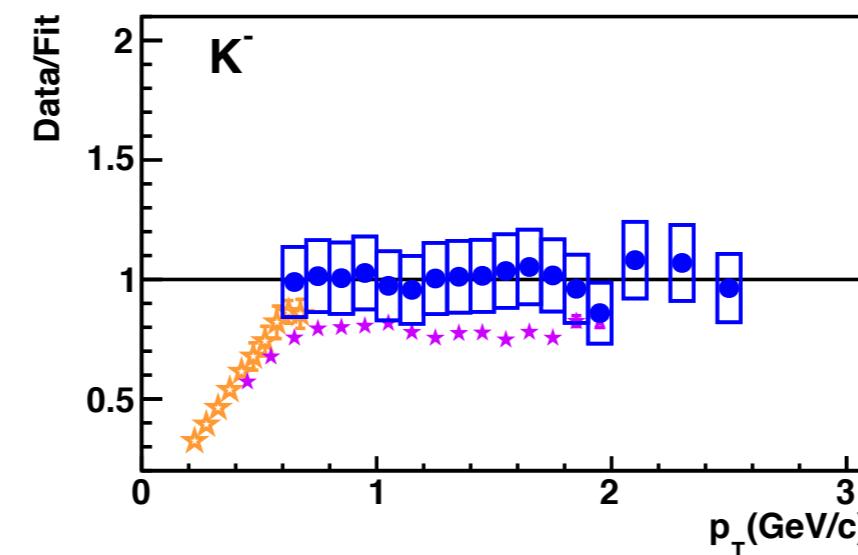
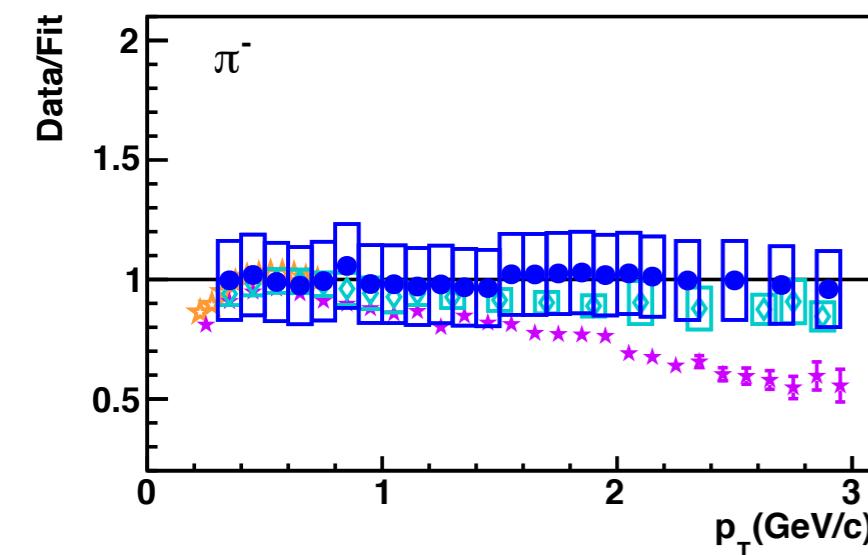
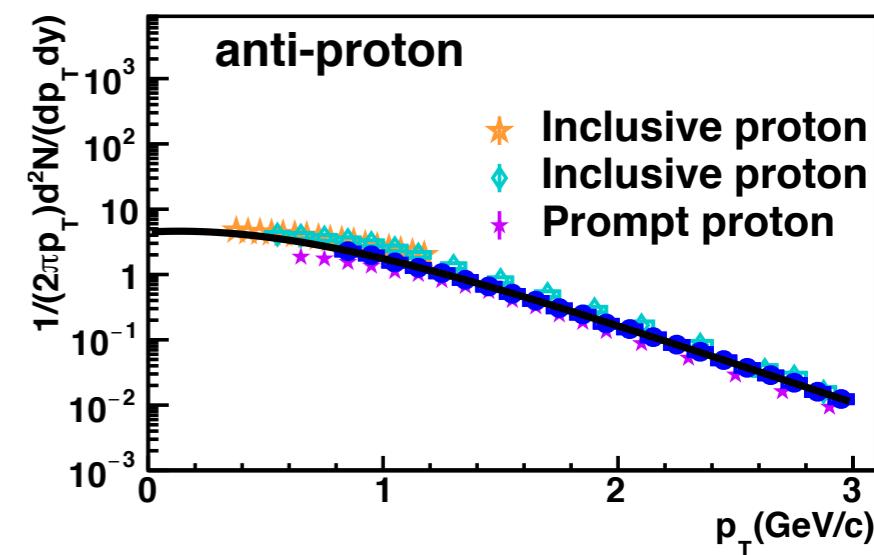
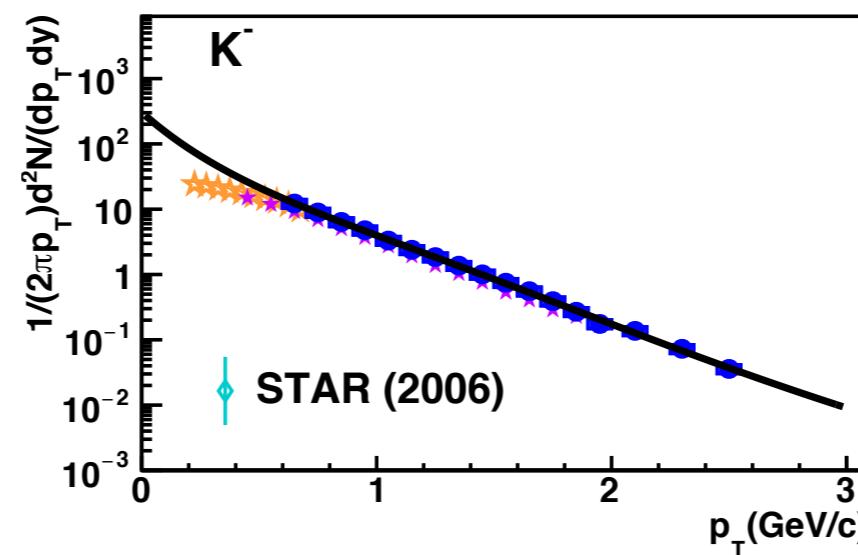
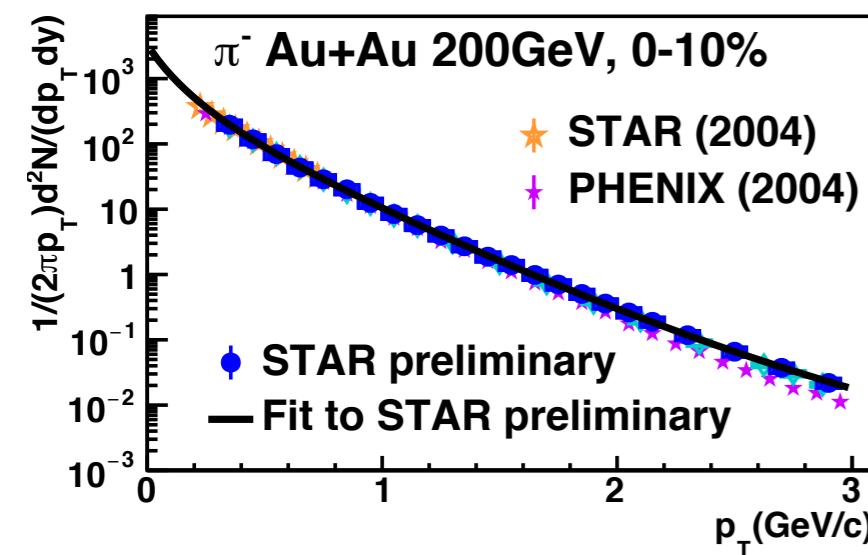
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STAR results (orange, cyan) : inclusive proton

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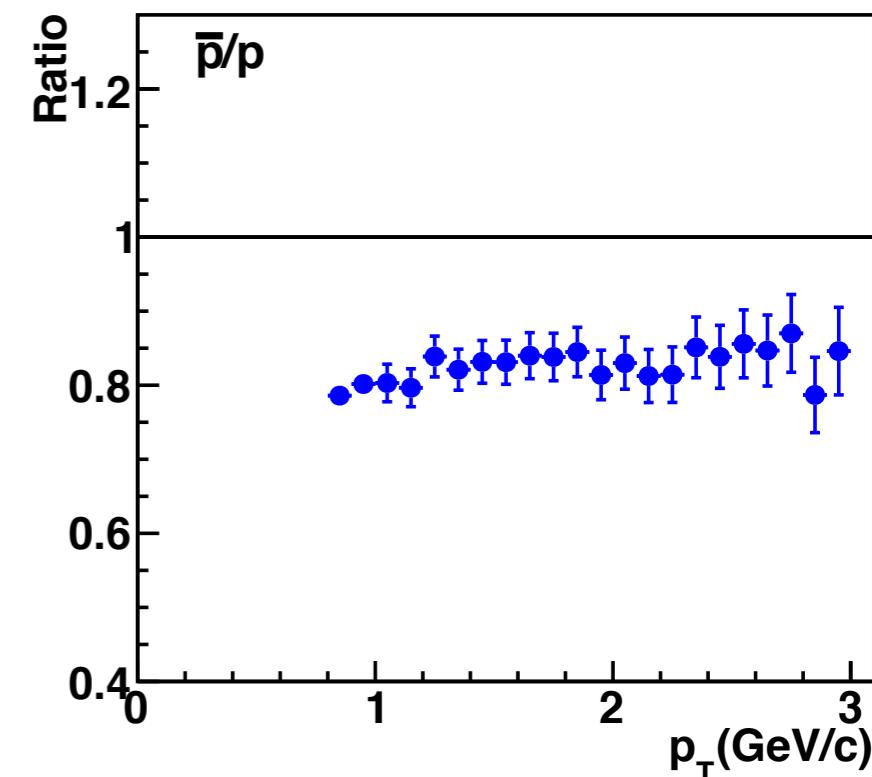
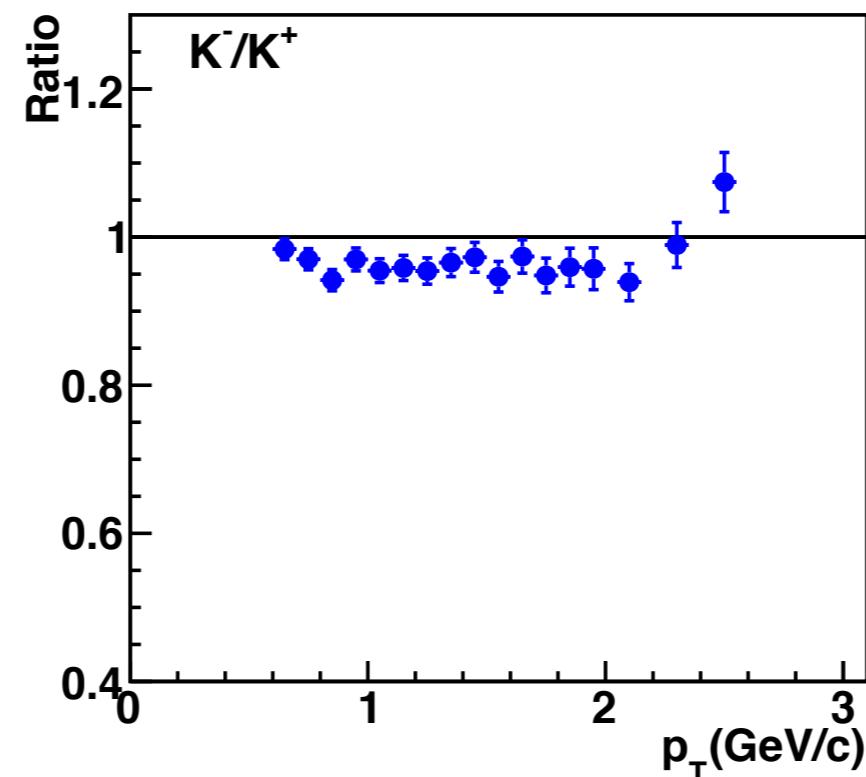
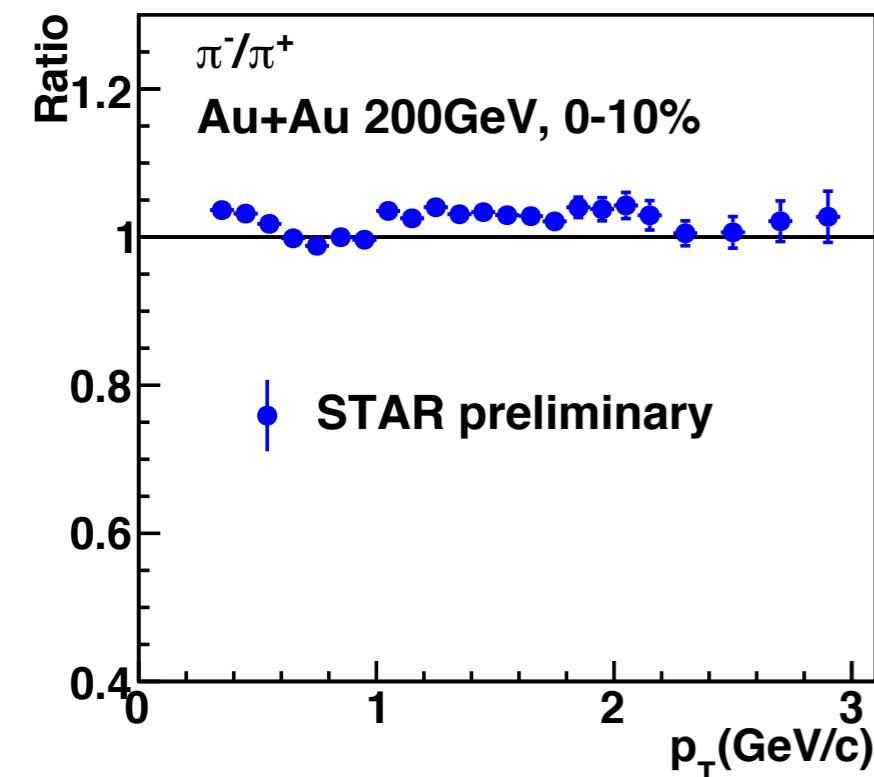
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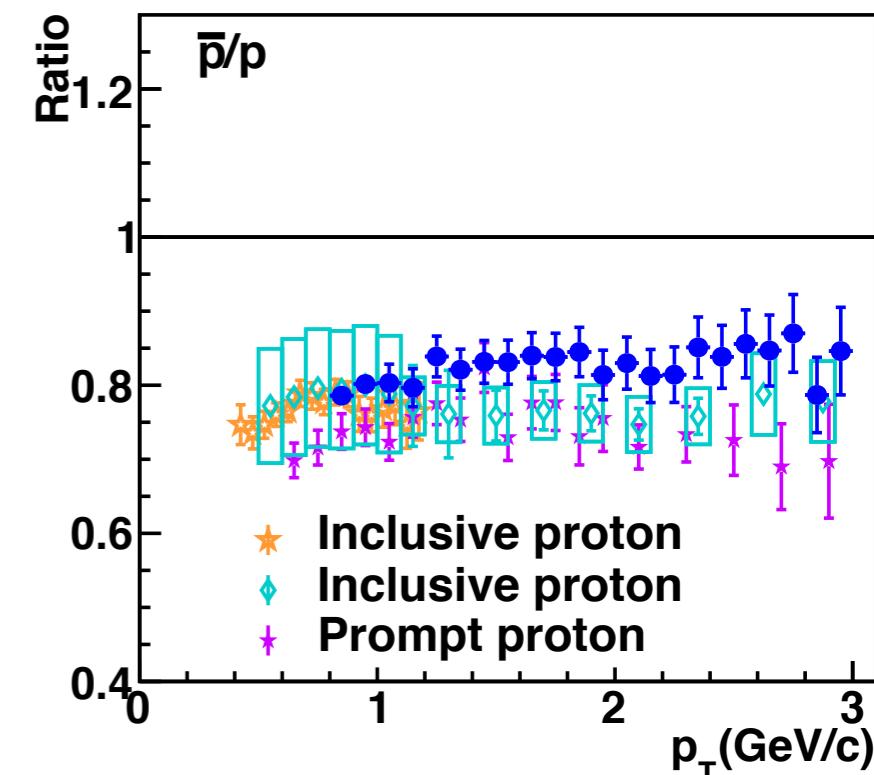
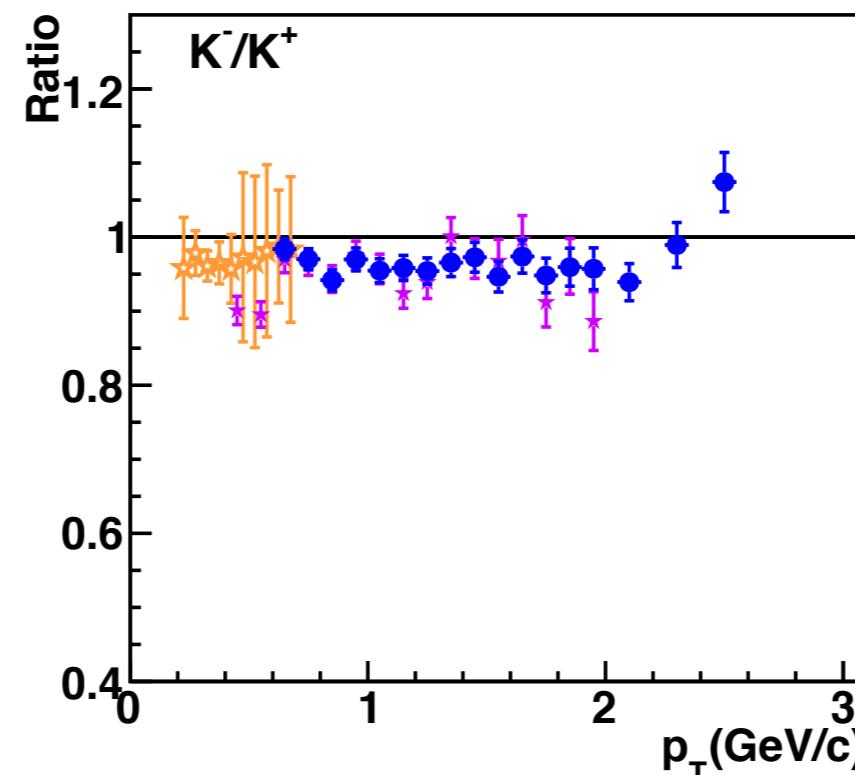
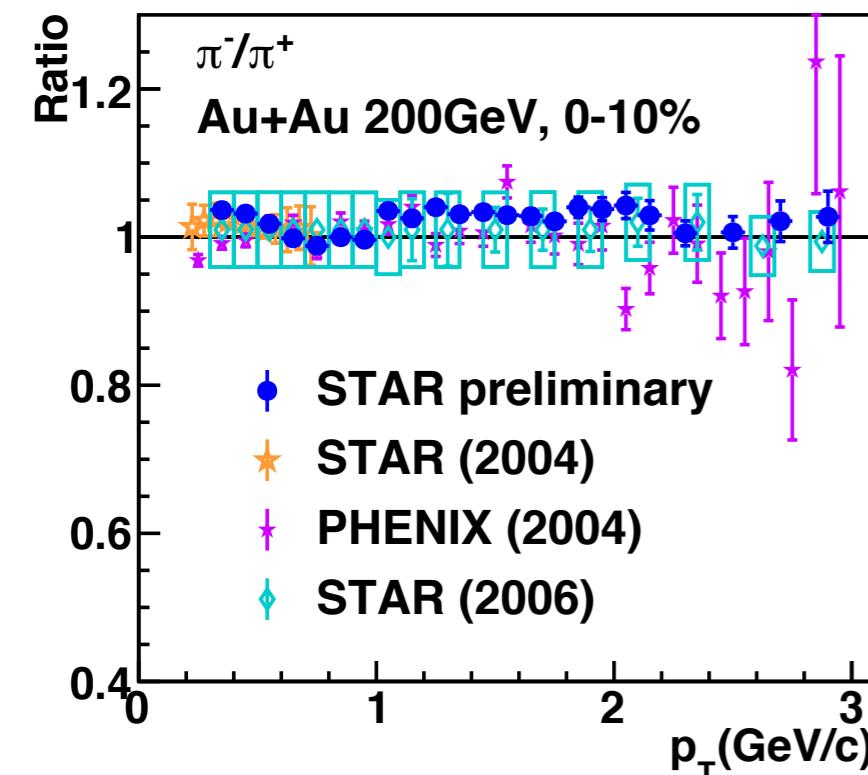
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# Anti-particle to particle ratio



The ratios are about 1, 0.95, 0.8 for  $\pi$ ,  $K$ ,  $p$  at RHIC energy.

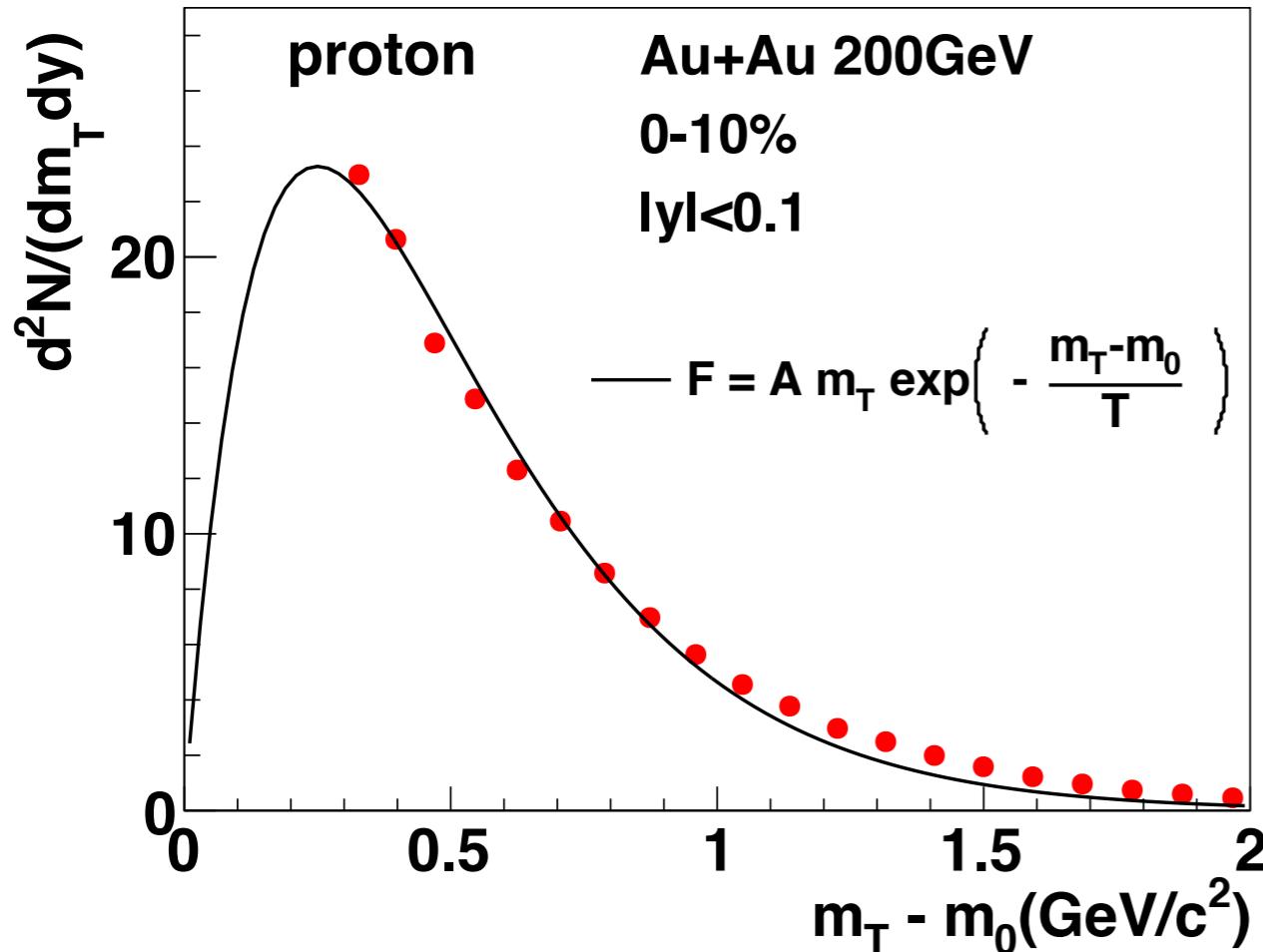
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There is no significant difference between inclusive and prompt proton ratio.

# Estimating $dN/dy$ distribution



Out of range of measured spectra

Extrapolating with equations

The difference of equations are defined as systematic uncertainty.

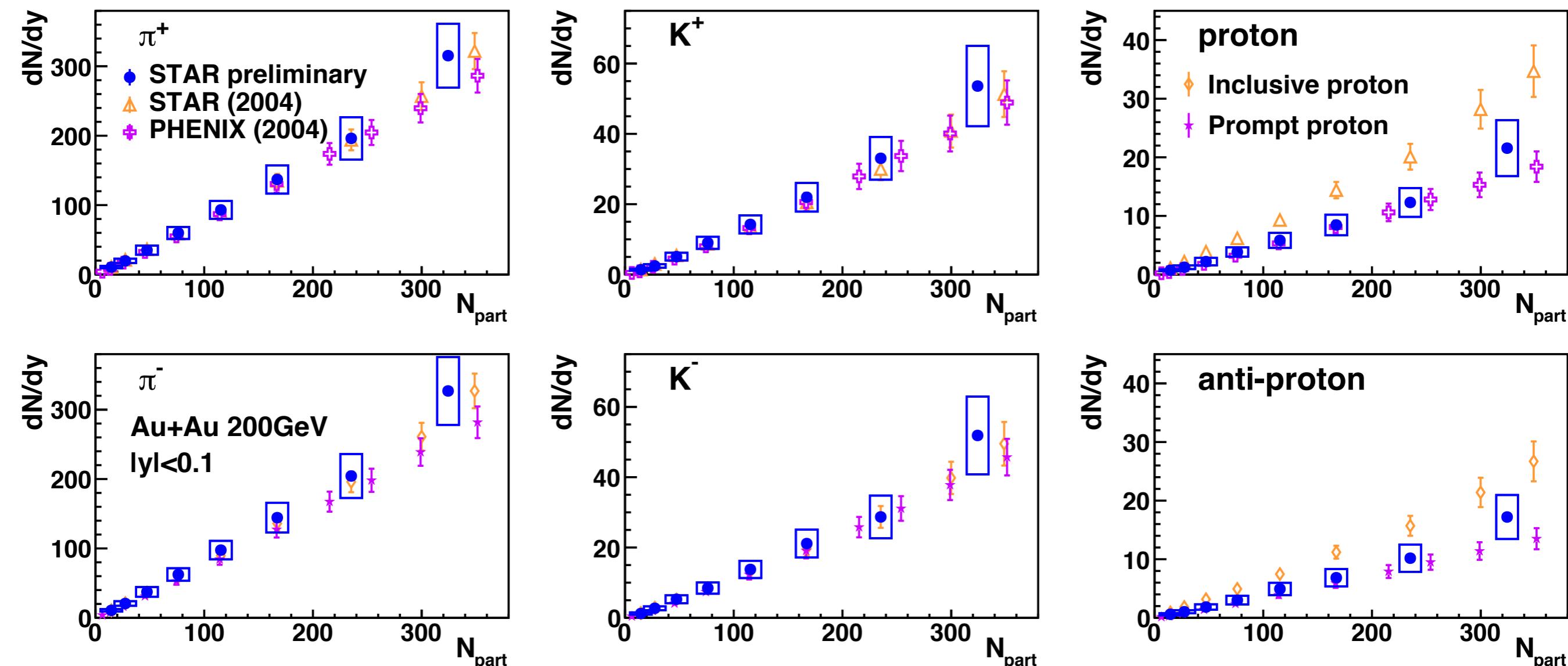
Fraction of  $dN/dy$

	measured $dN/dy$	extrapolated $dN/dy$ low $p_T$	extrapolated $dN/dy$ high $p_T$
$\pi^+$	168.7 (53.5%)	146.7 (46.4%)	0.14 (0.1%)
$K^+$	26.8 (50%)	26.7 (49%)	0.1 (1%)
proton	11.1 (51%)	10.4 (48%)	0.11 (1%)

For pion, Bose-Einstein equation,  $m_T$  exponential (for estimating systematics)

For kaon and proton,  $p_T$  exponential,  $m_T$  exponential

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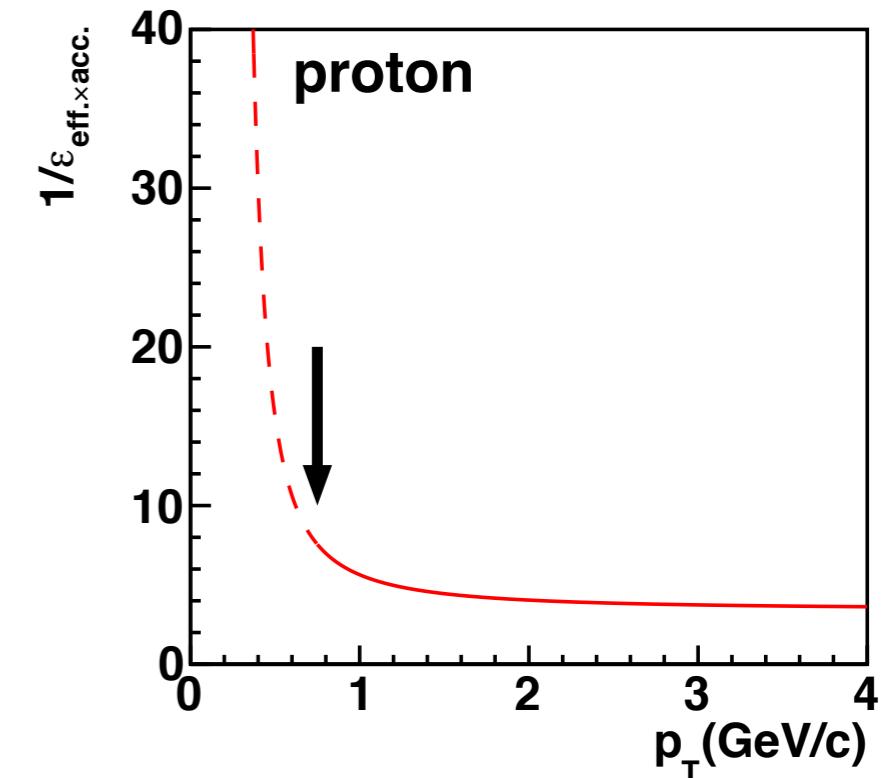
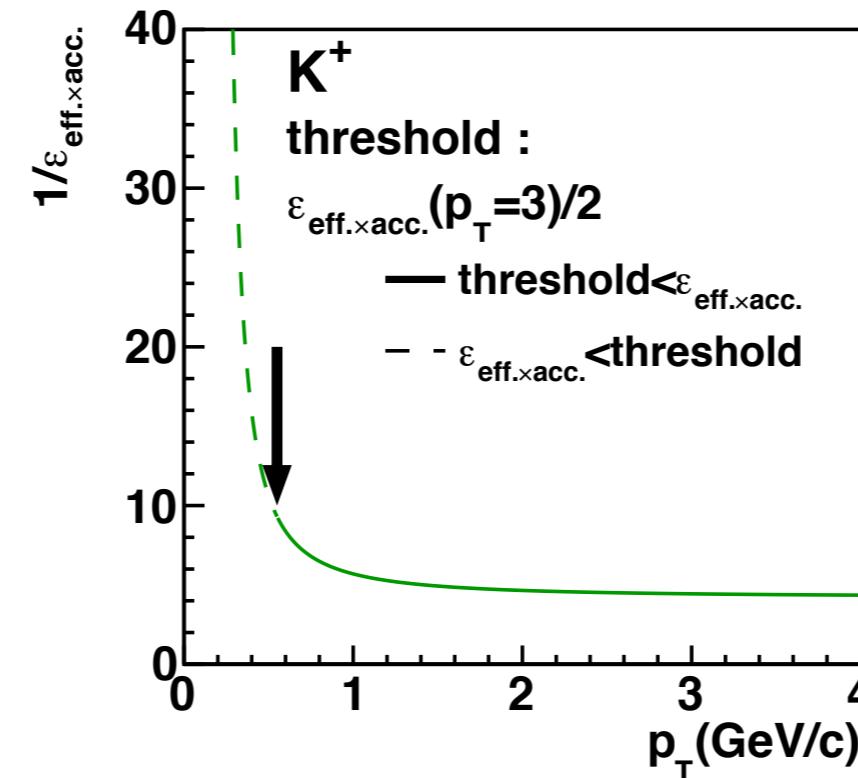
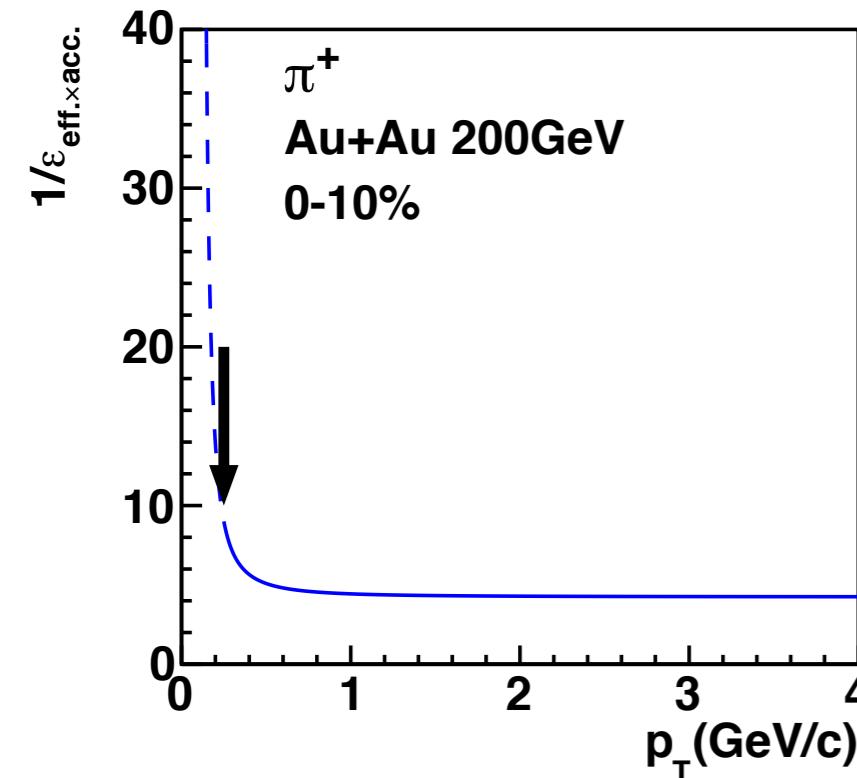
# Summary



- The first result of prompt  $\pi$ ,  $K$ ,  $p$   $p_T$  spectra with the HFT in Au+Au 200GeV collisions at STAR experiment
- The anti-particle to particle ratio  
There is no significant difference between inclusive and prompt proton results.
- Prompt particle azimuthal anisotropy  
Important for kinetic freeze-out parameters



# Efficiency correction



$$\varepsilon_{\text{eff.}\times\text{acc.}} = \frac{N_{\text{RC-prompt particle}}}{N_{\text{MC-prompt particle}}}$$

Correction of detector efficiency and acceptance  
Correction factor get large in low  $p_T$  region