

***Measurement of sixth order cumulant
of net-proton multiplicity distribution
in Au+Au collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV
with the STAR detector***

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Motivation

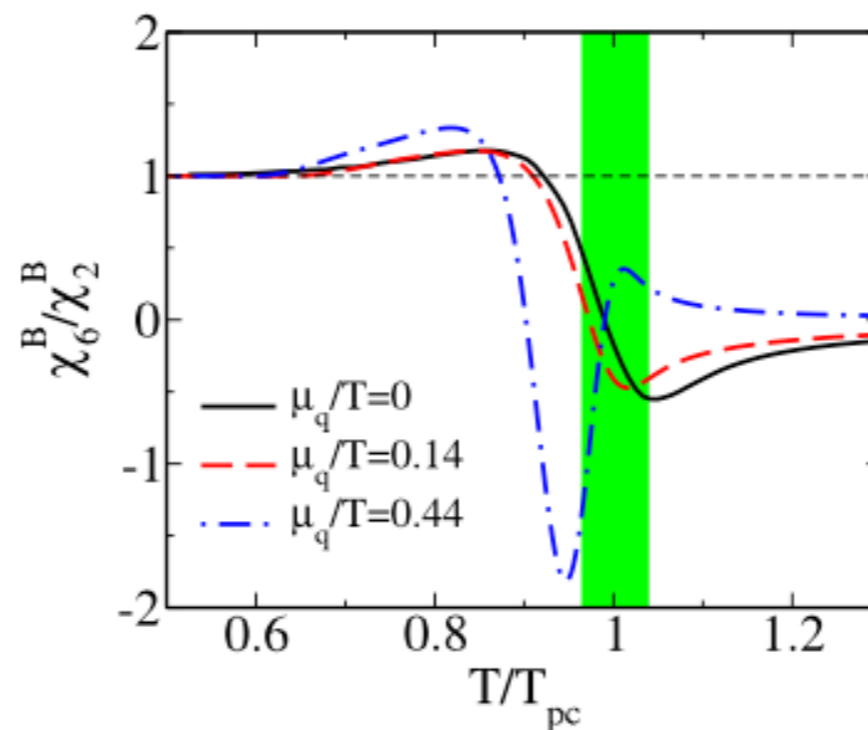
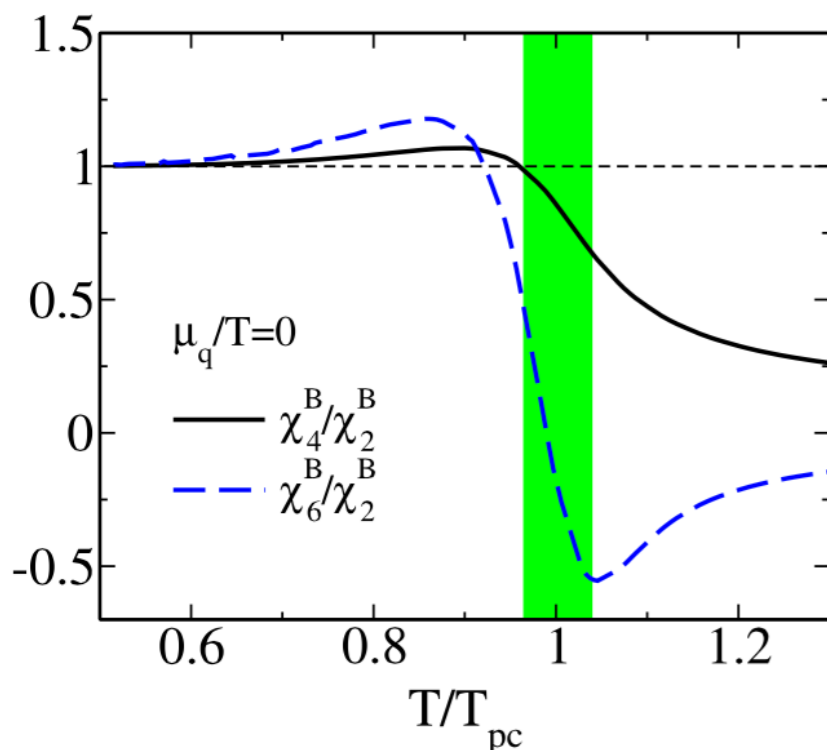
- ✓ Lattice calculations predict a “smooth crossover” at $\mu_B=0$.

Y. Aoki, Nature 443, 675(2006)

- ✓ Theoretically sixth order cumulant of net-baryon and net-charge fluctuation change sign near the chiral phase transition.

Friman et al, Eur. Phys. J. C (2011) 71:1694

- ✓ Find the evidence for crossover with measurement of the sixth order cumulant of net-proton multiplicity distribution.



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♦ Can we observe the negative value?

$$\frac{C_6}{C_2} = \frac{\chi_6}{\chi_2}$$

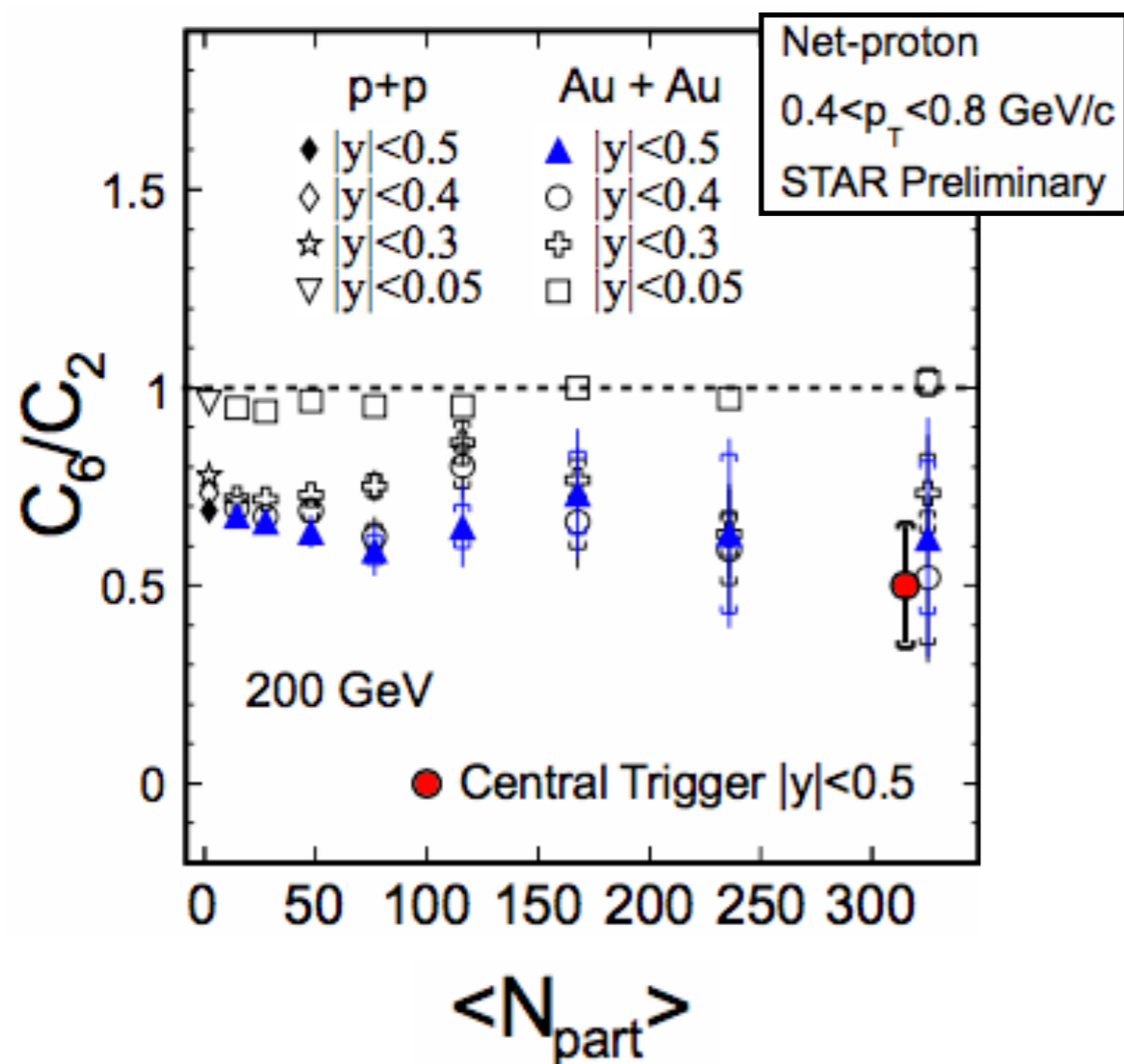
STAR results

- ✓ The STAR experiment measured C_6/C_2 at $0.4 < p_T < 0.8$ GeV/c without efficiency correction at $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=200$ GeV of Run10 datasets (~240M events).

L. Chen (STAR collaboration), NPA 904-905(2013)

- ✓ Event statistics are very important for higher orders.

- ✓ We focus on $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=200$ GeV at Run10 and Run11 datasets which have ~500M and ~250M events, and measure C_6/C_2 at $0.4 < p_T < 2.0$ GeV/c with efficiency correction.



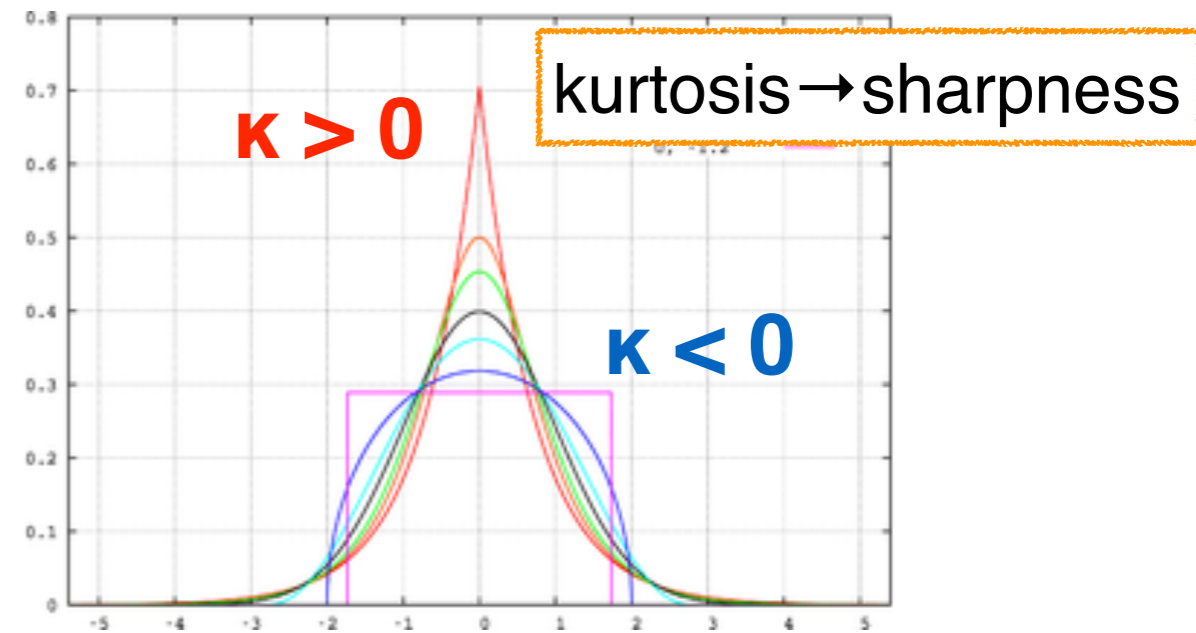
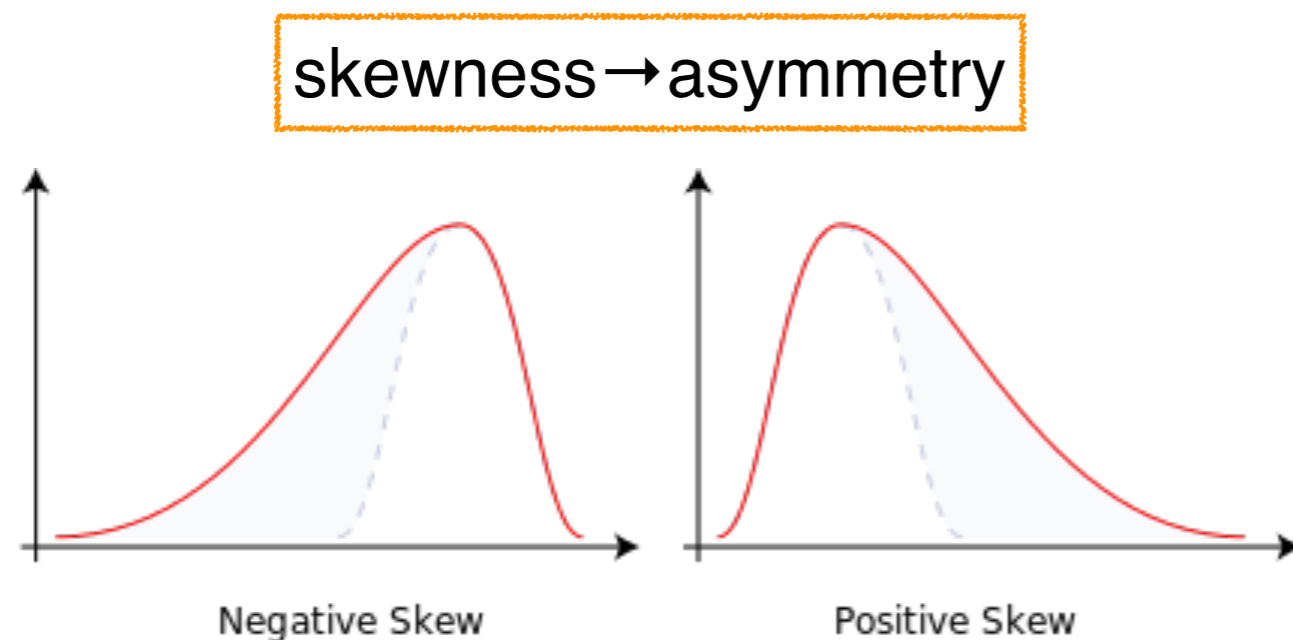
→ Run10, $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=200$ GeV, eff.uncorr

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Higher order fluctuation

◆ Moments and Cumulants are mathematical measures of “shape” of a histogram which probe the fluctuation of observables.

- ✓ Moments : Mean(M), sigma(σ), skewness(S) and kurtosis(κ).
- ✓ S and κ are non-gaussian fluctuations.



from wikipedia

✓ Cumulant \Leftrightarrow Moment

$$\langle \delta N \rangle = N - \langle N \rangle$$

$$C_1 = M = \langle N \rangle$$

$$C_2 = \sigma^2 = \langle (\delta N)^2 \rangle$$

$$C_3 = S\sigma^3 = \langle (\delta N)^3 \rangle$$

$$C_4 = \kappa\sigma^4 = \langle (\delta N)^4 \rangle - 3 \langle (\delta N)^2 \rangle^2$$

✓ Cumulant : additivity

$$C_n(X + Y) = C_n(X) + C_n(Y)$$

→ Volume dependence

Fluctuations of conserved quantities

◆ Net-baryon, net-charge and net-strangeness

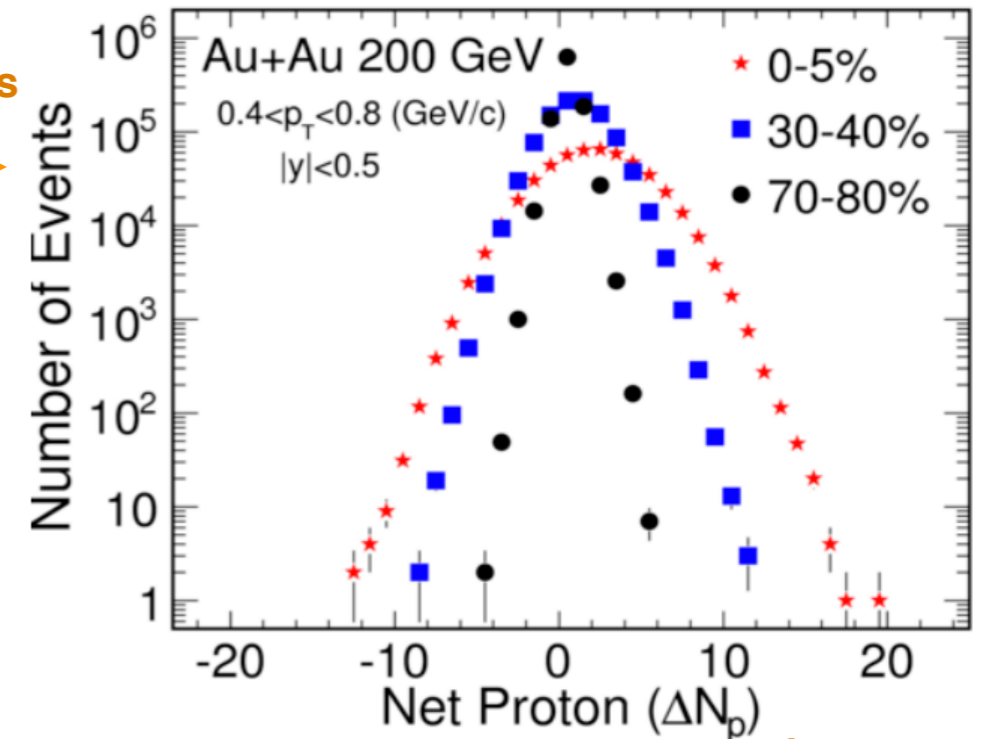
“Net” : positive - negative

$$\Delta N_q = N_q - N_{\bar{q}}, \quad q = B, Q, S$$

No. of “positively charged” particles in one collision

No. of “negatively charged” particles in one collision

Fill in histograms over many collisions



→ neutrons cannot be measured

(1) Sensitive to correlation length

$$C_2 = \langle (\delta N)^2 \rangle_c \approx \xi^2$$

$$C_3 = \langle (\delta N)^3 \rangle_c \approx \xi^{4.5}$$

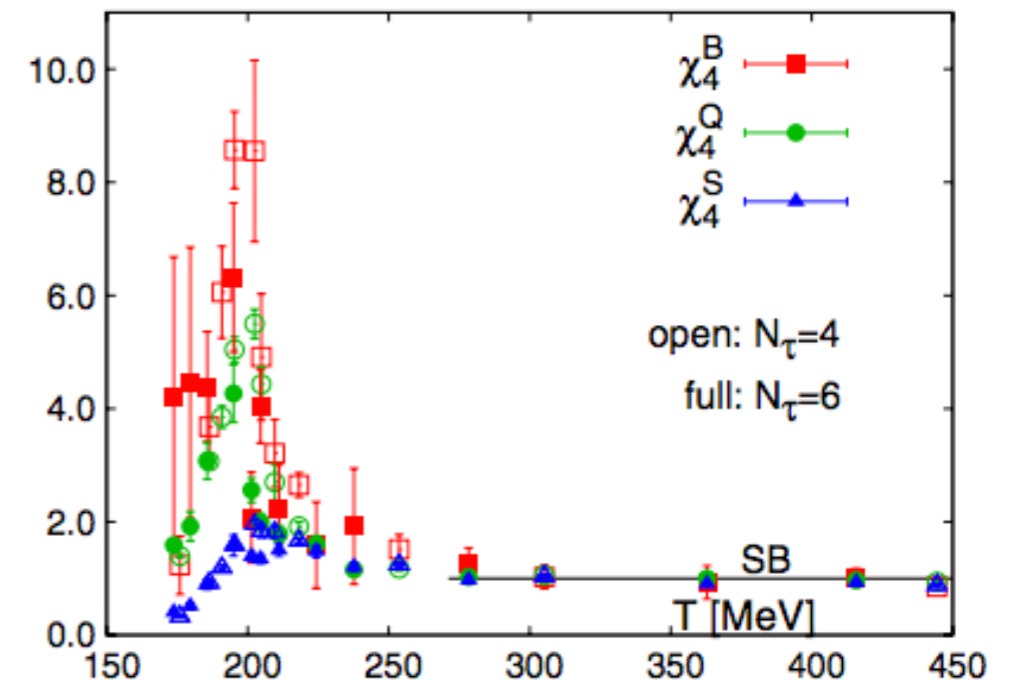
$$C_4 = \langle (\delta N)^4 \rangle_c \approx \xi^7$$

(2) Direct comparison with susceptibilities.

M. Cheng et al, PRD 79, 074505 (2009)

$$S\sigma = \frac{C_3}{C_2} = \frac{\chi_3}{\chi_2} \quad \kappa\sigma^2 = \frac{C_4}{C_2} = \frac{\chi_4}{\chi_2}$$

$$\chi_n^q = \frac{1}{VT^3} \times C_n^q = \frac{\partial^n p / T^4}{\partial \mu_q^n}, \quad q = B, Q, S$$



Volume dependence can be canceled by taking ratio.

Event and track selection

✓ Dataset

Au+Au, $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=200\text{GeV}$, mb trigger,
Run10 and Run11

✓ Event selection

$|V_z| < 30\text{cm}$, $|V_r| < 2\text{cm}$, $|V_{pd}V_z - Vz| < 3\text{cm}$

Pileup rejection from tofmatched vs refmult

✓ Track selection

$\text{DCA} < 1\text{cm}$, $n\text{HitsFit} > 20$,

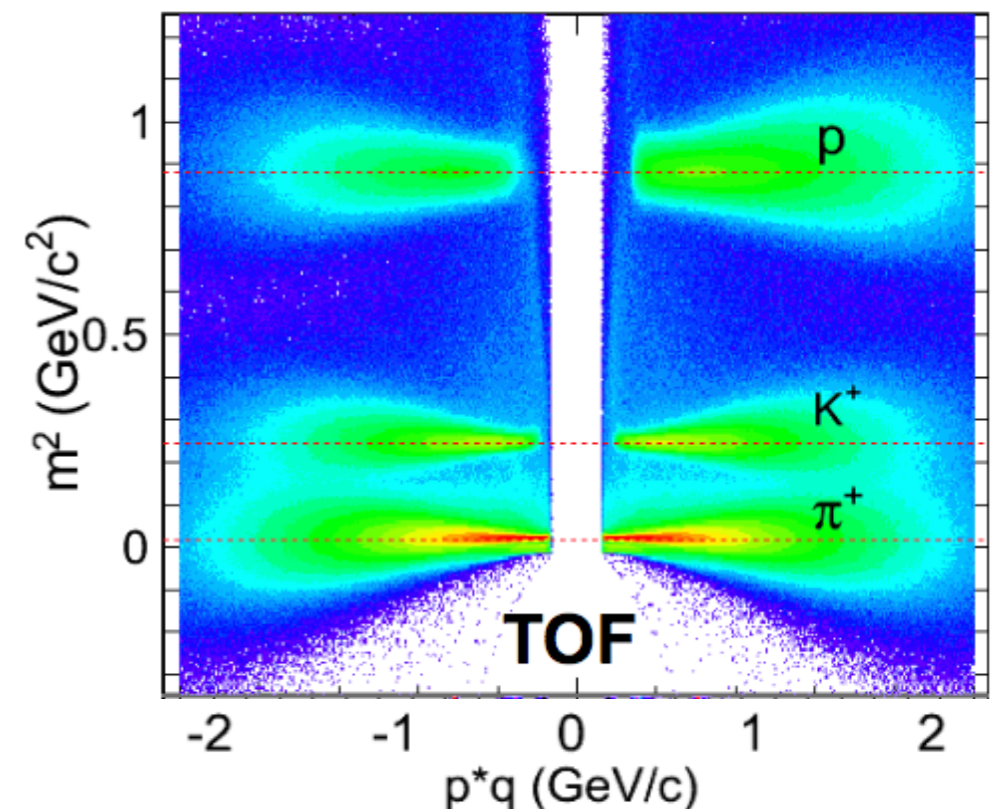
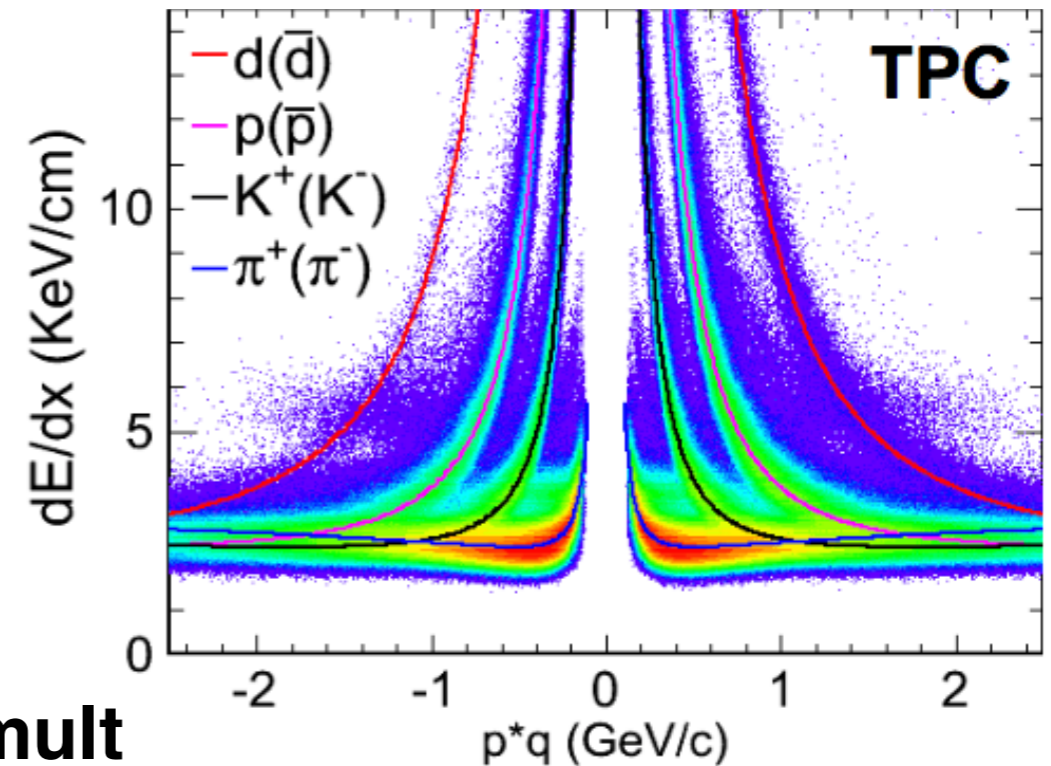
$n\text{HitsFit}/n\text{FitPoss} > 0.52$, $n\text{HitsDedx} > 5$,

$|y| < 0.5$

PID cut

$0.4 < p_T < 0.8 : |\ln\sigma_{\text{proton}}| < 2$

$0.8 < p_T < 2.0 : |\ln\sigma_{\text{proton}}| < 2 \ \&\& \ 0.6 < m^2 < 1.2$



Analysis techniques

1. Centrality determination

Use charged particles except protons in order to avoid the auto correlation.

Analysis : $|y| < 0.5$, p and pbar

Centrality : $|η| < 1.0$, exclude p and pbar

2. Centrality Bin Width Correction

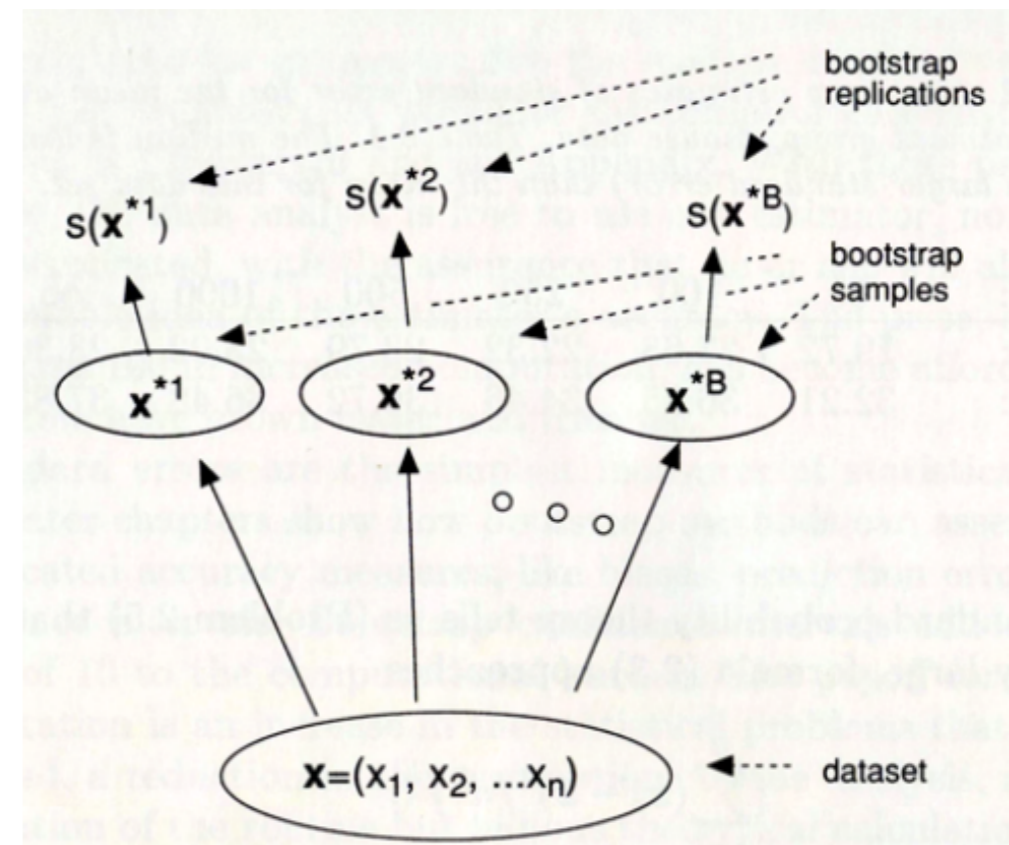
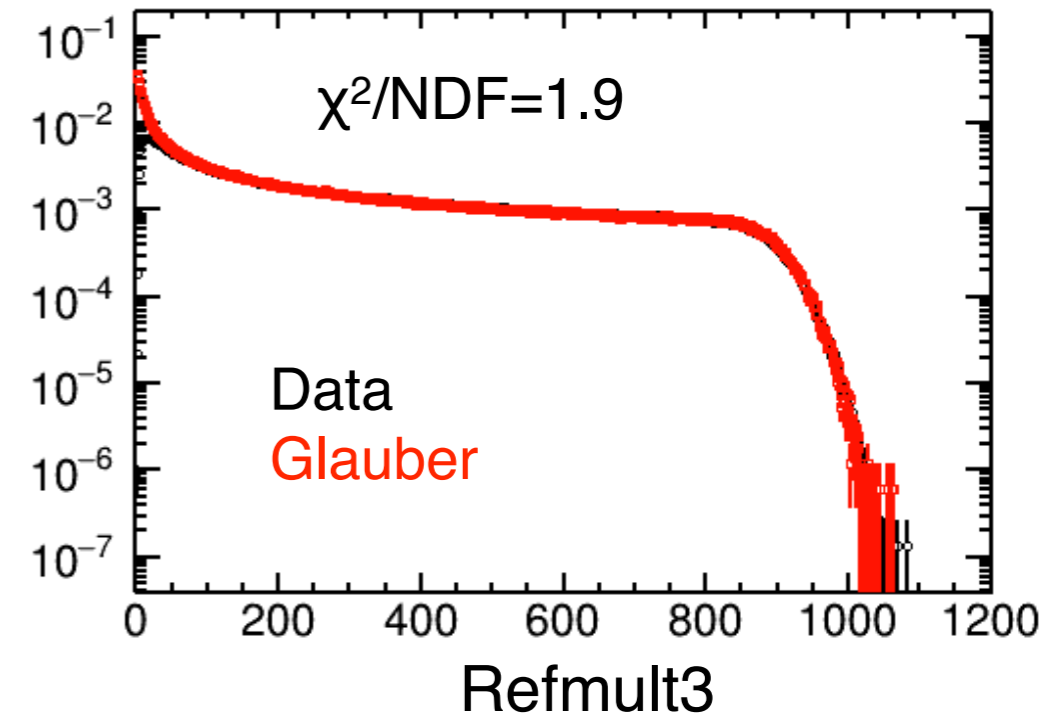
Calculate cumulants at each multiplicity bin in order to suppress the volume fluctuation.

X.Luo et al. J. Phys.G40,105104(2013)

3. Statistical error calculation : Bootstrap

- ✓ Bootstrap
- ✓ Delta theorem

4. Efficiency correction



B. Efron, R. Tibshirani, An introduction to the bootstrap, Chapman & Hall (1993).

Efficiency correction

- ✓ Based on the assumption of binomial efficiency.

$$p(n_1, n_2) = \sum_{N_1=n_1}^{\infty} \sum_{N_2=n_2}^{\infty} P(N_1, N_2) \frac{N_1!}{n_1!(N_1 - n_1)!} p_1^{n_1} (1 - p_1)^{N_1 - n_1} \times \frac{N_2!}{n_2!(N_2 - n_2)!} p_2^{n_2} (1 - p_2)^{N_2 - n_2}.$$

A.Bzdak and V. Koch PRC.86.044904

M.Kitazawa PRC.86.024904

- ✓ Simple relationship between measured and true factorial moments.

$$f_{ik} = p_1^i \cdot p_2^k \cdot F_{ik}.$$

$$F_{ik} \equiv \left\langle \frac{N_1!}{(N_1 - i)!} \frac{N_2!}{(N_2 - k)!} \right\rangle = \sum_{N_1=i}^{\infty} \sum_{N_2=k}^{\infty} P(N_1, N_2) \frac{N_1!}{(N_1 - i)!} \frac{N_2!}{(N_2 - k)!},$$

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- ✓ It can be extended to the case of multi-number of phase spaces.

$$F_{r_1, r_2}(N_p, N_{\bar{p}}) = F_{r_1, r_2}(N_{p_1} + N_{p_2}, N_{\bar{p}_1} + N_{\bar{p}_2})$$

$$= \sum_{i_1=0}^{r_1} \sum_{i_2=0}^{r_2} s_1(r_1, i_1) s_1(r_2, i_2) \langle (N_{p_1} + N_{p_2})^{i_1} (N_{\bar{p}_1} + N_{\bar{p}_2})^{i_2} \rangle$$

$$= \sum_{i_1=0}^{r_1} \sum_{i_2=0}^{r_2} s_1(r_1, i_1) s_1(r_2, i_2) \left\langle \sum_{s=0}^{i_1} \binom{i_1}{s} N_{p_1}^{i_1-s} N_{p_2}^s \sum_{t=0}^{i_2} \binom{i_2}{t} N_{\bar{p}_1}^{i_2-t} N_{\bar{p}_2}^t \right\rangle$$

$$= \sum_{i_1=0}^{r_1} \sum_{i_2=0}^{r_2} \sum_{s=0}^{i_1} \sum_{t=0}^{i_2} \sum_{u=0}^{i_1-s} \sum_{v=0}^s \sum_{j=0}^{i_2-t} \sum_{k=0}^t s_1(r_1, i_1) s_1(r_2, i_2) \binom{i_1}{s} \binom{i_2}{t}$$

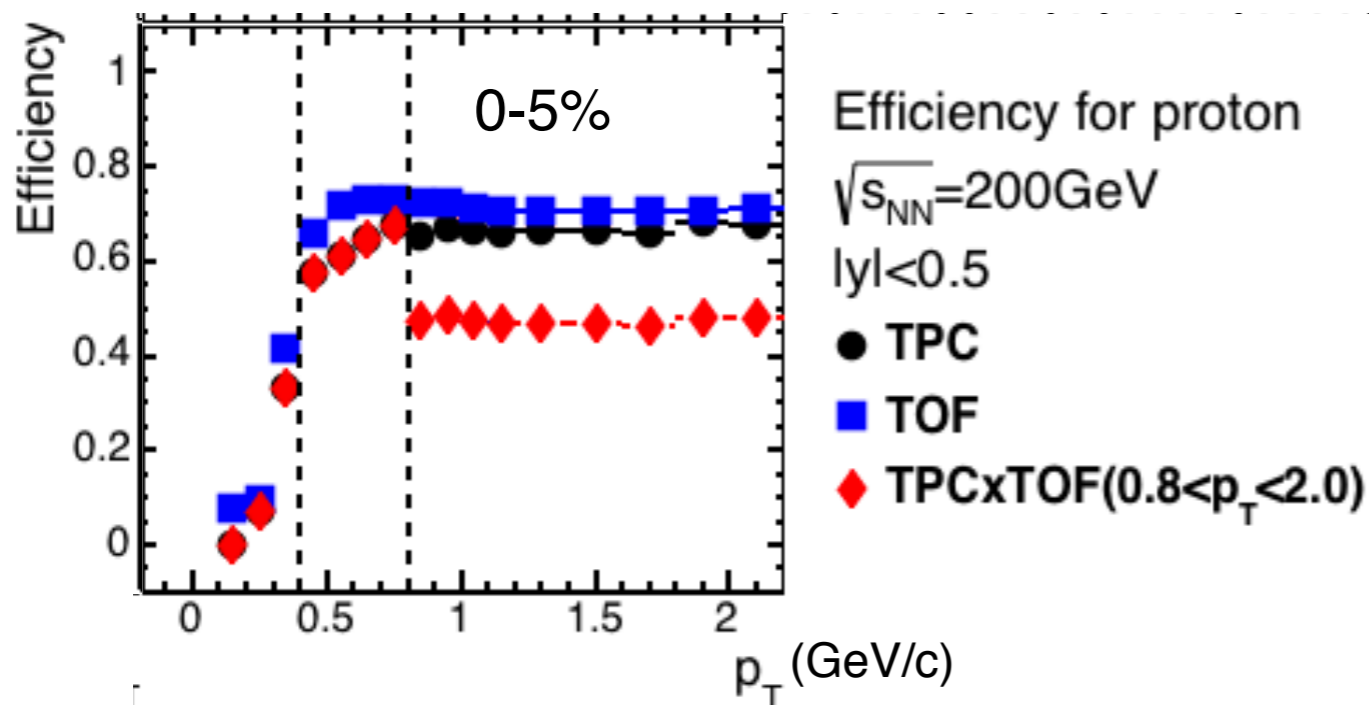
$$\times s_2(i_1 - s, u) s_2(s, v) s_2(i_2 - t, j) s_2(t, k) \times F_{u, v, j, k}(N_{p_1}, N_{p_2}, N_{\bar{p}_1}, N_{\bar{p}_2}).$$

A.Bzdak and V. Koch PRC.91.027901

X. Luo PRC.91.034907

Calculation cost

- ✓ Efficiency drops at $p_T = 0.8$ GeV/c region where TOF is included in proton identification.
- ✓ The number of efficiency bin is four. (p and pbar, low and high p_T)
- ✓ Calculation cost become ~ 4 times larger than fourth order.



- # of terms to be calculated per event for efficiency correction
- increase by power of efficiency bins

	C_4	C_6
2+2	225	784
4+4	4900	44100

New development

- ◆ M.Kitazawa and I developed a new correction formula via factorial cumulants, which can drastically reduce the calculation time.
- ◆ It has been checked that the formulas below give exactly the same value with Bzdak-Koch.
- ◆ About ~2000 times faster than usual Bzdak-Koch formulas in the case of 8bins.

$$q_{(r,s)} \equiv \sum_i^M \frac{a_i^r}{p_i^s} n_i, \quad \text{Loops just increase with efficiency bin}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle Q^6 \rangle_c = & \langle q_{(1,1)}^6 \rangle_c - 15 \langle q_{(1,1)}^4 q_{(2,2)} \rangle_c + 15 \langle q_{(1,1)}^4 q_{(2,1)} \rangle_c - 90 \langle q_{(1,1)}^2 q_{(2,2)} q_{(2,1)} \rangle_c \\ & + 40 \langle q_{(1,1)}^3 q_{(3,3)} \rangle_c + 45 \langle q_{(2,2)}^2 q_{(1,1)}^2 \rangle_c + 20 \langle q_{(1,1)}^3 q_{(3,1)} \rangle_c - 60 \langle q_{(1,1)}^3 q_{(3,2)} \rangle_c \\ & + 45 \langle q_{(1,1)}^2 q_{(2,1)}^2 \rangle_c - 90 \langle q_{(1,1)}^2 q_{(4,4)} \rangle_c - 120 \langle q_{(3,3)} q_{(2,2)} q_{(1,1)} \rangle_c - 15 \langle q_{(2,2)}^3 \rangle_c \\ & + 15 \langle q_{(1,1)}^2 q_{(4,1)} \rangle_c - 60 \langle q_{(1,1)} q_{(2,2)} q_{(3,1)} \rangle_c - 60 \langle q_{(1,1)}^2 q_{(4,2)} \rangle_c \\ & + 120 \langle q_{(1,1)} q_{(2,1)} q_{(3,3)} \rangle_c + 180 \langle q_{(1,1)}^2 q_{(4,3)} \rangle_c + 45 \langle q_{(2,2)}^2 q_{(2,1)} \rangle_c \\ & + 180 \langle q_{(1,1)} q_{(2,2)} q_{(3,2)} \rangle_c - 45 \langle q_{(1,1)}^2 q_{(4,2)} \rangle_c - 45 \langle q_{(2,1)}^2 q_{(2,2)} \rangle_c \\ & - 180 \langle q_{(1,1)} q_{(2,1)} q_{(3,2)} \rangle_c + 60 \langle q_{(1,1)} q_{(2,1)} q_{(3,1)} \rangle_c + 15 \langle q_{(2,1)} \rangle_c \\ & + 144 \langle q_{(5,5)} q_{(1,1)} \rangle_c + 90 \langle q_{(4,4)} q_{(2,2)} \rangle_c + 40 \langle q_{(3,3)}^2 \rangle_c + 6 \langle q_{(5,1)} q_{(1,1)} \rangle_c \\ & + 15 \langle q_{(4,1)} q_{(2,1)} \rangle_c + 10 \langle q_{(3,1)}^2 \rangle_c - 30 \langle q_{(5,2)} q_{(1,1)} \rangle_c - 15 \langle q_{(4,1)} q_{(2,2)} \rangle_c \\ & + 300 \langle q_{(5,3)} q_{(1,1)} \rangle_c + 40 \langle q_{(3,3)} q_{(3,1)} \rangle_c + 60 \langle q_{(4,2)} q_{(2,2)} \rangle_c - 360 \langle q_{(5,4)} q_{(1,1)} \rangle_c \\ & - 90 \langle q_{(4,4)} q_{(2,1)} \rangle_c - 120 \langle q_{(3,3)} q_{(3,2)} \rangle_c - 180 \langle q_{(4,3)} q_{(2,2)} \rangle_c \\ & + 180 \langle q_{(4,3)} q_{(2,1)} \rangle_c + 45 \langle q_{(4,2)} q_{(2,2)} \rangle_c + 90 \langle q_{(3,2)}^2 \rangle_c \\ & - 60 \langle q_{(3,2)} q_{(3,1)} \rangle_c - 60 \langle q_{(4,2)} q_{(2,1)} \rangle_c - 60 \langle q_{(5,2)} q_{(1,1)} \rangle_c - 45 \langle q_{(4,2)} q_{(2,1)} \rangle_c \\ & - 120 \langle q_{(6,6)} \rangle_c + 360 \langle q_{(6,5)} \rangle_c - 390 \langle q_{(6,4)} \rangle_c + 180 \langle q_{(6,3)} \rangle_c - 31 \langle q_{(6,2)} \rangle_c + \langle q_{(6,1)} \rangle_c. \end{aligned}$$

Analytical calculation

- ✓ Assume two distribution that have exactly the same shape (C_m) but different efficiencies.
- ✓ Efficiency correction using averaged efficiency does not give a correct value for any probability distributions other than Poisson.

$$K_m = 2C_m + \Delta K_m \quad \bar{p} = \frac{p_1 + p_2}{2} \quad \Delta p = p_1 - p_2$$

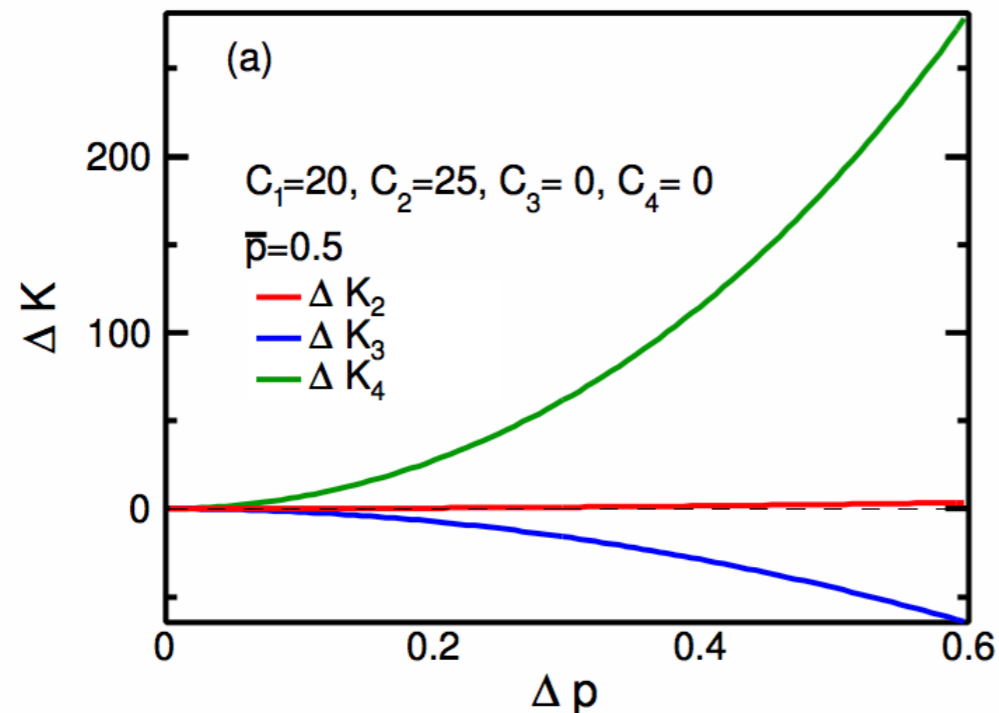
$$\Delta K_2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\Delta p}{\bar{p}} \right)^2 (C_2 - C_1),$$

$$\Delta K_3 = \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{\Delta p}{\bar{p}} \right)^2 (C_3 - 2C_2 + C_1),$$

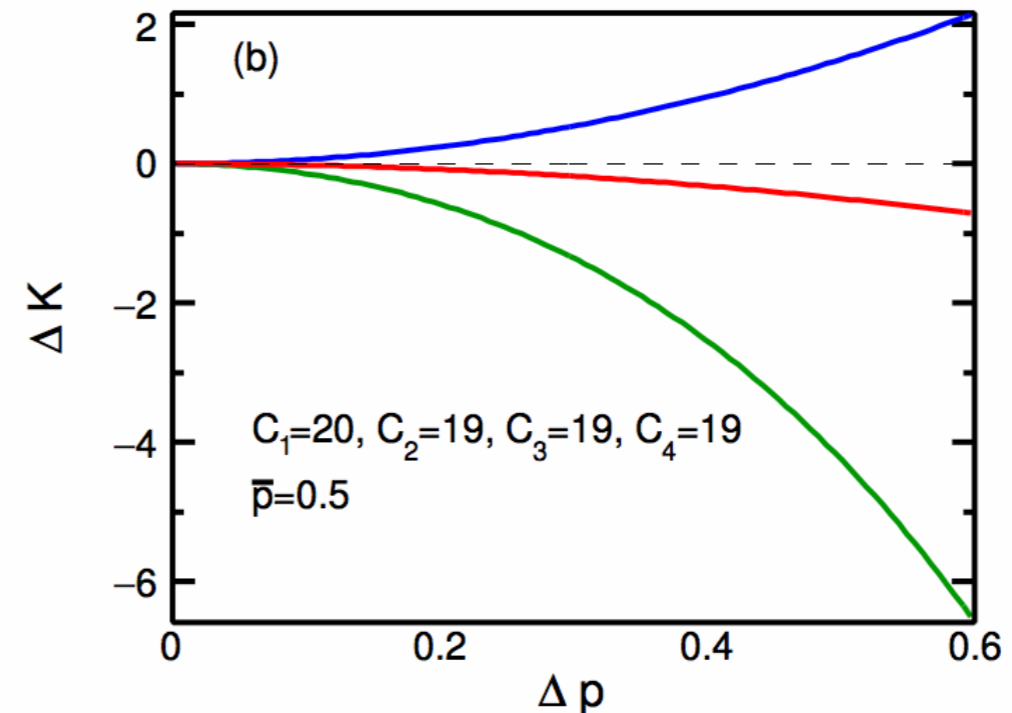
$$\Delta K_4 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\Delta p}{\bar{p}} \right)^2 (6C_4 - 18C_3 + 19C_2 - 7C_1) + \frac{1}{8} \left(\frac{\Delta p}{\bar{p}} \right)^4 (C_4 - 6C_3 + 11C_2 - 6C_1),$$

Poisson : $C_1 = C_2 = C_3 \dots = C_m$
 $\rightarrow \Delta K_m = 0$

✓ Gaussian ($C_m=0, m \geq 3$)



✓ Poisson — 5% deviation

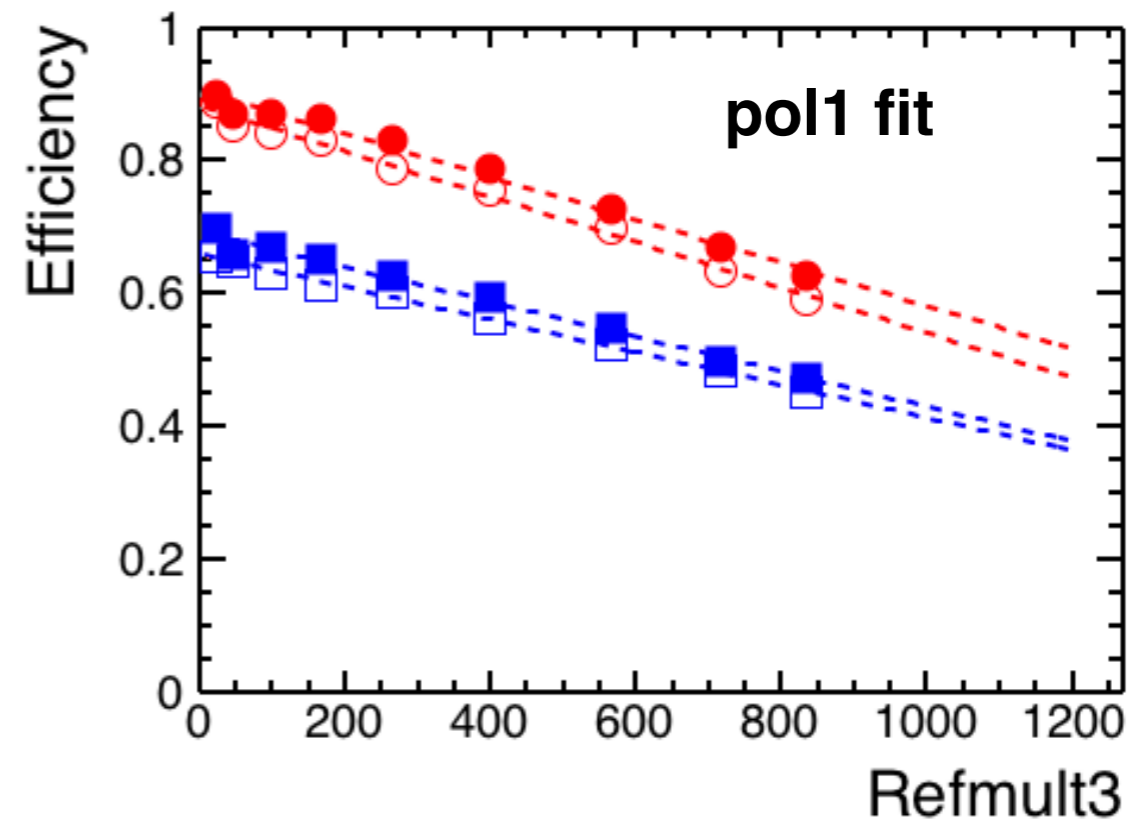
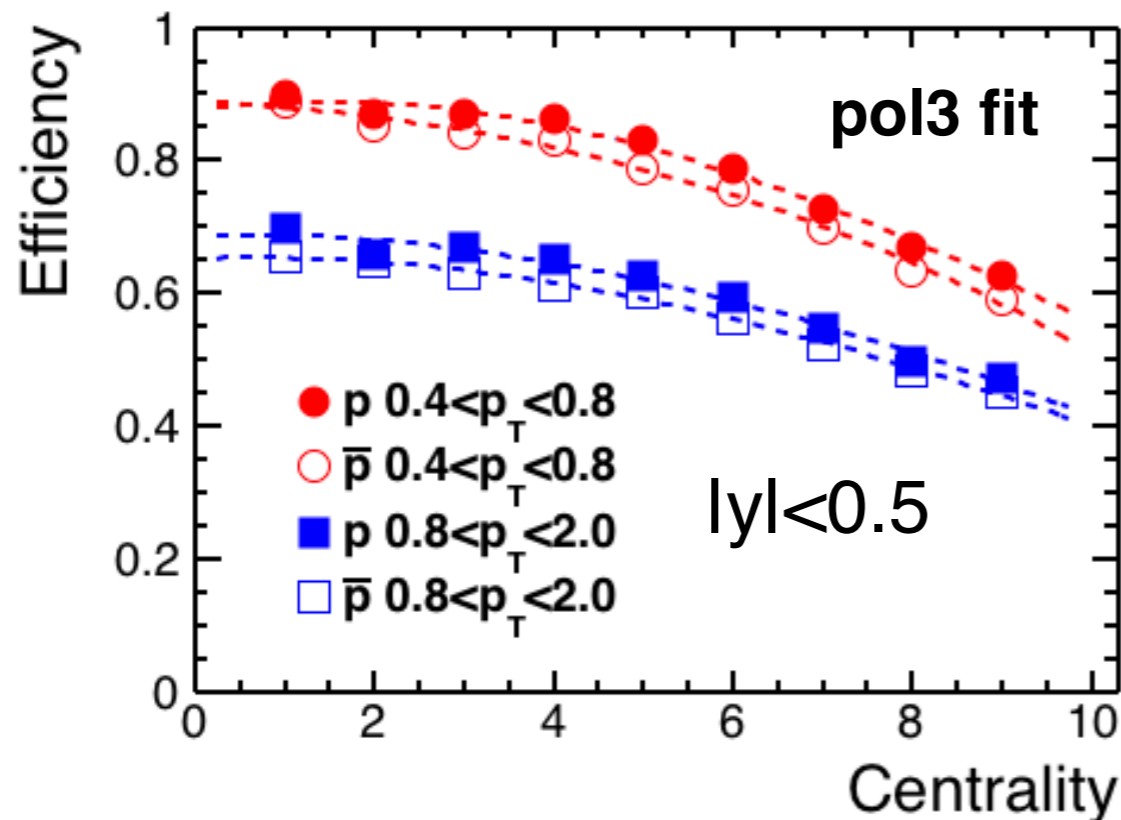
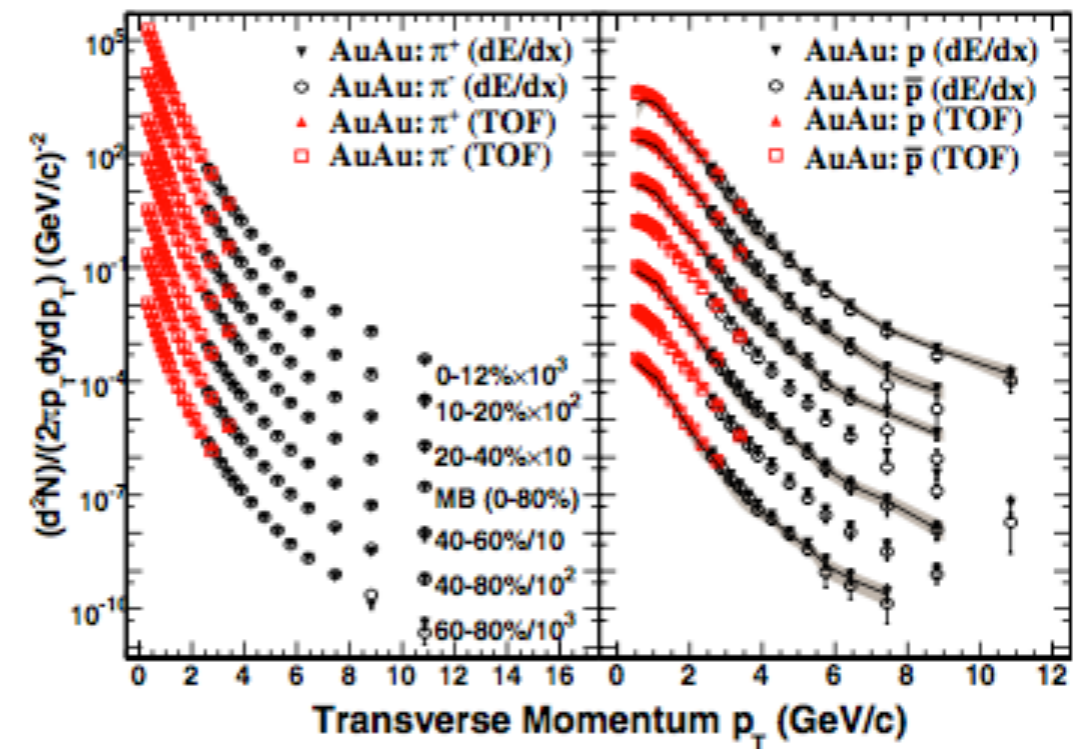


p_T integrated efficiency

PRL. 97. 152301 (2006)

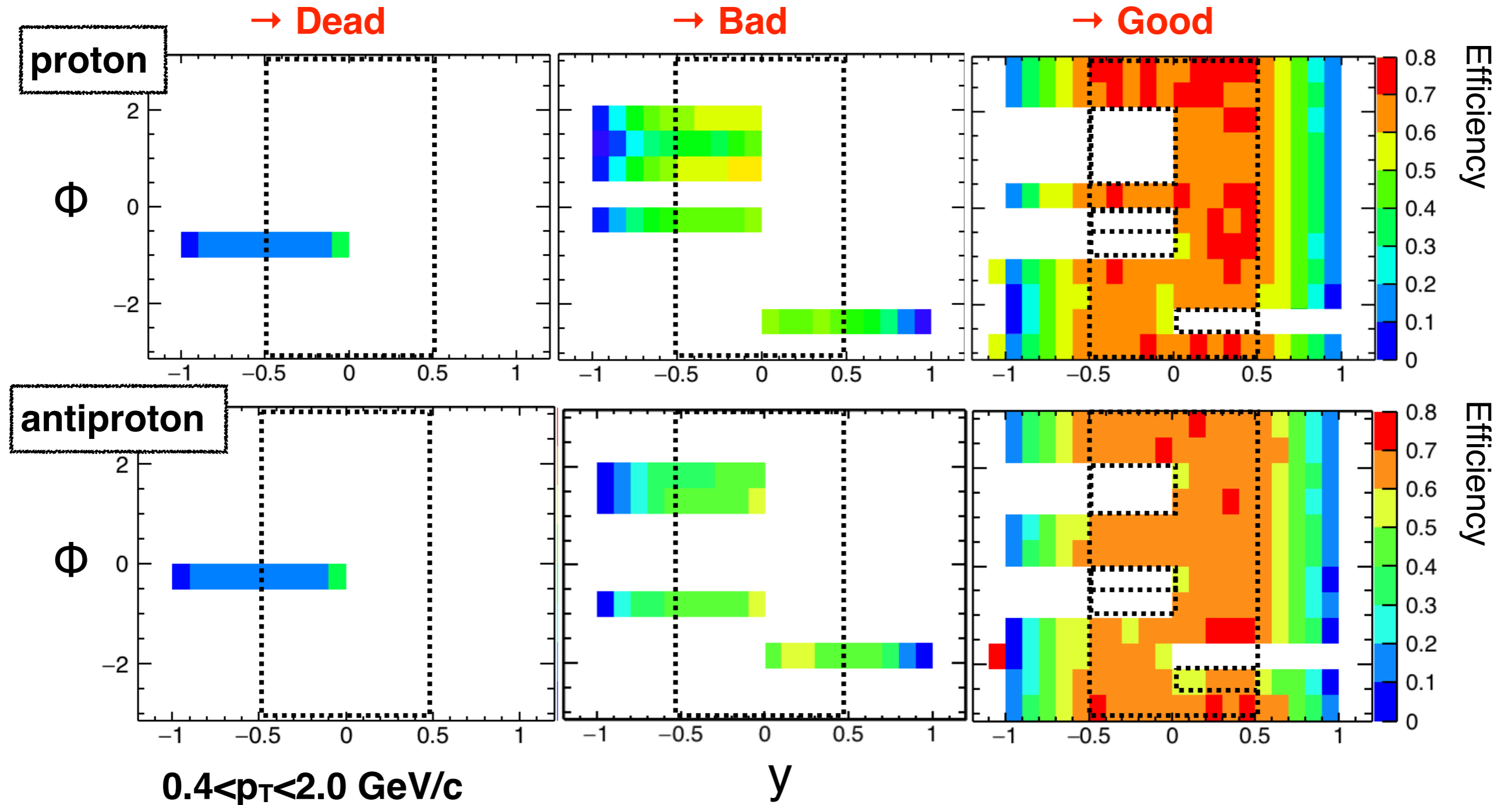
- ◆ Integrated using corrected p_T spectra.
- ◆ One can obtain efficiency vs centrality.
- ◆ Translate centrality into $\langle \text{refmult3} \rangle$.

$$\varepsilon = \frac{\int \varepsilon(p_T) f(p_T) p_T dp_T}{\int f(p_T) p_T dp_T}$$



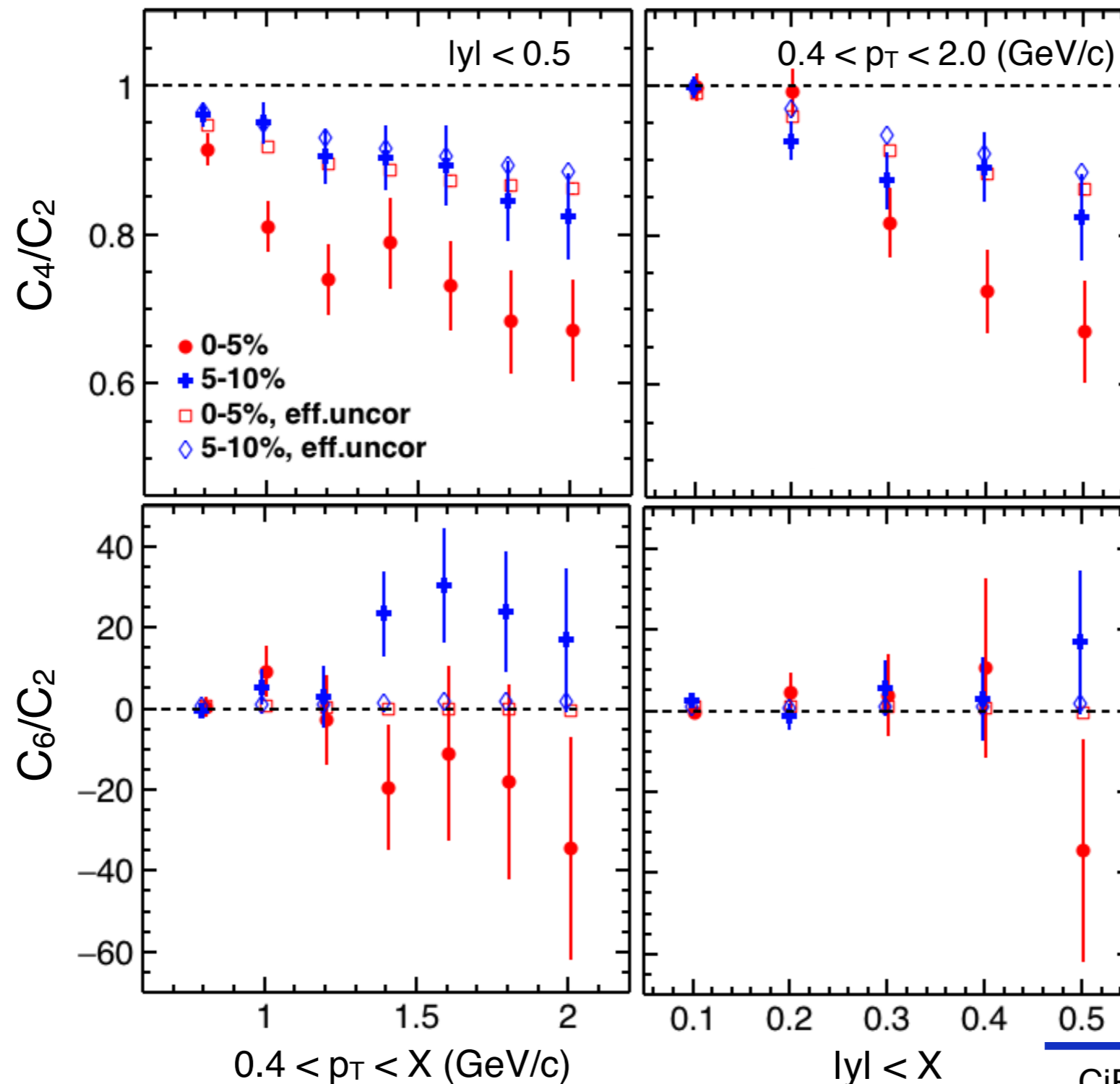
phi dependent efficiency

- ◆ TPC sectors are divided into 3 regions, dead, bad and good sectors.
- ◆ p_T integrated efficiencies are calculated for each case.



Acceptance dependence

- ◆ p_T and rapidity dependence at central collisions of C_4/C_2 and C_6/C_2
- ◆ Large errors exist for C_6/C_2 . More statistics are necessary.

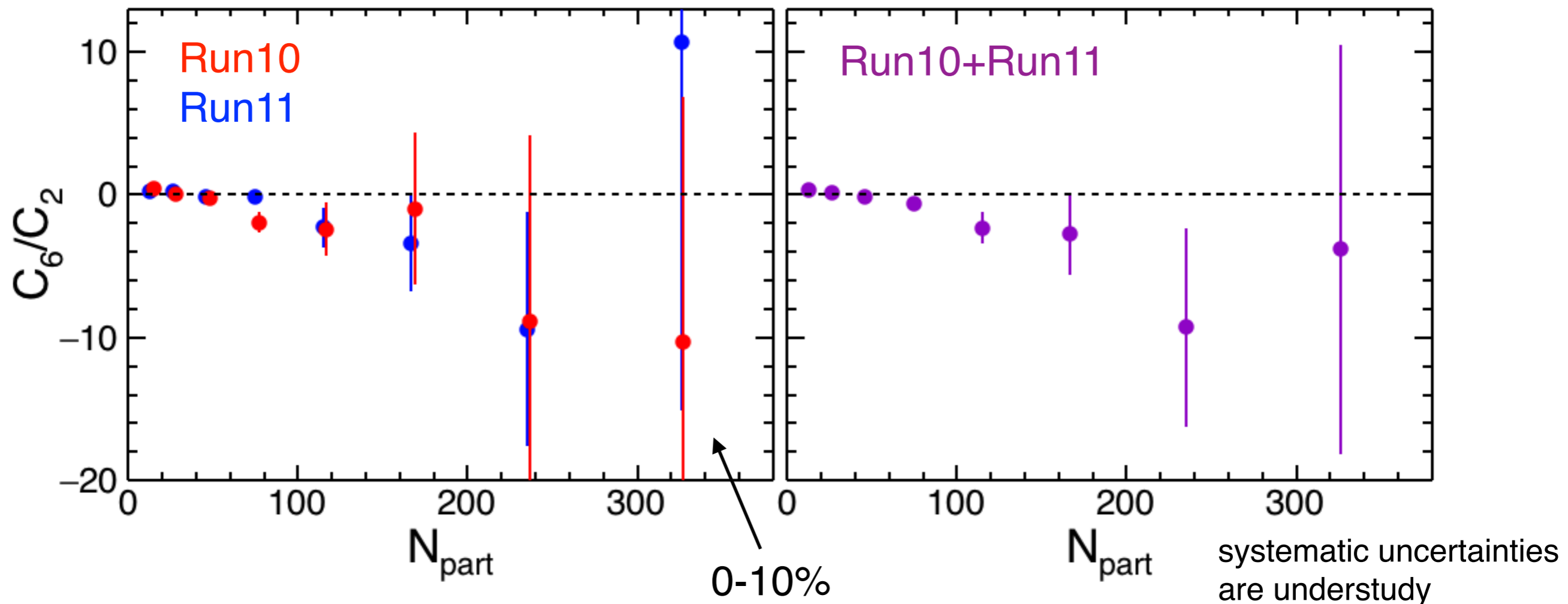


systematic uncertainties
are understudy

Centrality dependence

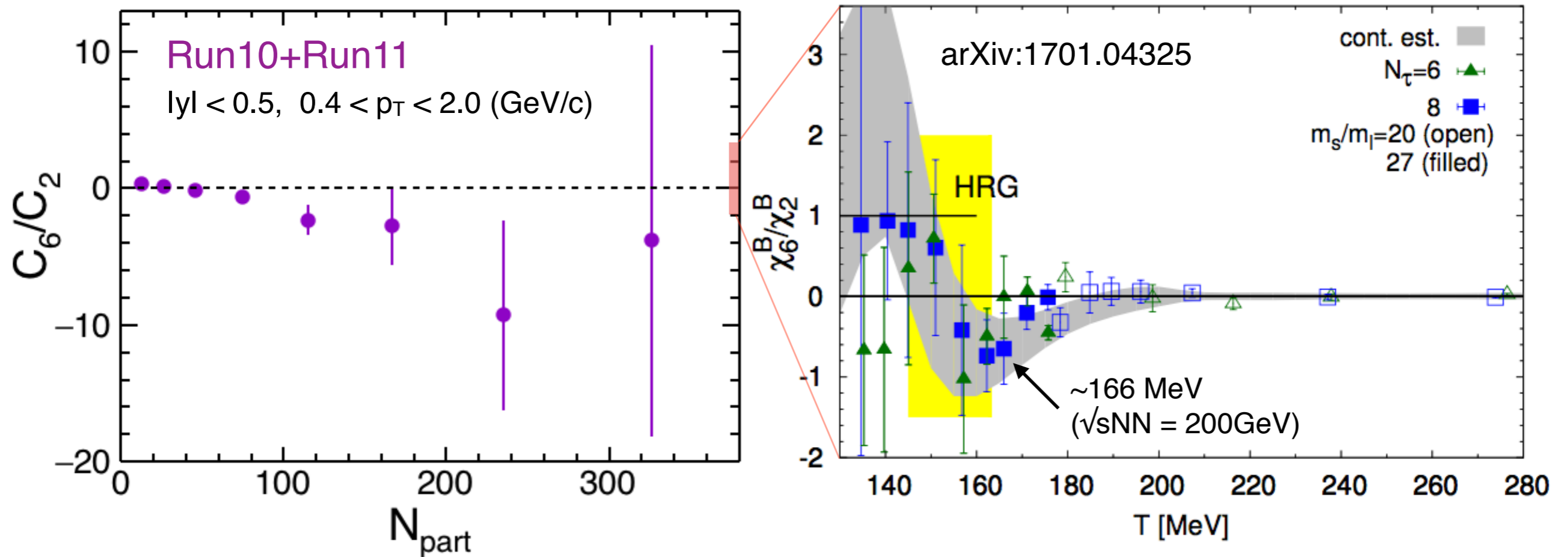
- ◆ Central trigger is used for Run10 results at 0-10%.
- ◆ Other points are from minimum bias trigger.
- ◆ All the results except 40-50% ($\sim 3\sigma$) are consistent within 1~2sigma between Run10 and Run11.

$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200 \text{ GeV}$, $|y| < 0.5$, $0.4 < p_T < 2.0 \text{ (GeV/c)}$



Comparison with theory

- ◆ Lattice results predict $-1 \sim 0.5$ for C_6/C_2 at $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=200\text{GeV}$ ($\sim 166\text{MeV}$)
- ◆ Large errors exist for experiment and theory.



More statistics are needed !!

Summary and Outlook

- ✓ **Development of more efficient formulas for efficiency correction up to sixth order cumulant.**
- ✓ **C_6/C_2 of net-proton multiplicity distribution has been measured in Au+Au collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV.**
- ✓ **Use more Au+Au data.**