RHIC's View of Hadron Collisions



P-P Collisions at RHIC STAR Detector and Triggers Hard Scattering at RHIC kinematics The STAR Jet-Finders Underlying Event at STAR

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Recipe for Proton Collisions @ RHIC



- 1. Take one optically pumped polarized H⁻ source
- 2. Accelerate ions in the linac
- 3. Strip ions and inject protons into fast cycling synchroton (Booster)
- 4. Accelerate protons to 2.35 GeV.
- 5. Inject protons into AGS and accelerate to 24.3 GeV.
- 6. Inject two protons into RHIC, filling BLUE and YELLOW beams
- 7. Accelerate to at least 100 GeV. (Just finished 250 GeV run!)
- 8. Steer for collisions at 2-4 IR
- 9. Serve immediately to hungry experimentalists.

Recipe for Proton Collisions @ RHIC



YEAR	L _{max} (10 ³⁰ s ⁻¹ cm ⁻²)	L _{int} (pb⁻¹)	
2002	2	0.3	
2003	6	0.55	
2004	6	0.4	
2005	16	3.5	
2006	30	19	



Like all high energy detectors, STAR is composed of many sub-detector systems. This talk will review only those currently used in jet triggering and reconstruction.









Minimum Bias Trigger for $\sqrt{s} = 200 \text{ GeV}$

- i. MINB events are defined by at least one coincident hit in the small tiles of the E+W BBC.
- ii. Luminosities of 10³⁰-10³² cm⁻²s⁻¹ produce BBC rates of 0.1-1 MHz.
- iii. Total Acceptance samples 53% of the total pp Cross-Section
- iv. 87% of the singly non-diffractive pp Xsec





Small tiles	$3.9 < \eta < 5.0$
Large tiles	$3.4 < \eta < 3.9$
z = 375cm	$\Delta \phi = 2\pi$

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STAR High p_T Triggers

High Tower1 tower $(\Delta \eta = \Delta \phi = 0.05)$ above thresholdRequires hard neutral fragmentation

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2003 HT THR > 2.2 GeV
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2004 HT THR > 3.5 GeV
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Jet Patch	400 localized towers $(\Delta \eta = \Delta \phi = 1)$ above	
	threshold. Allows for cluster of softer fragmentation	

2006 JPtrigI -> JP thr = 5.7 GeV + ETOT thr = 14 GeV

2006 JPtrigII -> JP thr = 8.3 GeV

Note: JP trigger doubles the jet reconstruction efficiency of the HT trigger and therefore 2006 jet sample is dominated by JP triggers.

Hard Scattering at RHIC Just how low can you go?



^{1.} Find all charged "trigger" particles with pT = 4 - 6 GeV.

- 2. Find $\Delta \Phi$ for all remaining charged particles of pT = 2-4 GeV.
- Remove combinatorial background using mixed event subtraction for both p+p and Au+Au
- 4. Additional elliptic flow subtraction for Au+Au

Clear peaks in correlated particles indicate we can "see" hard scattering even at low jet pT.

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STAR Jet Algorithms

Midpoint cone algorithm

- Adapted from Tevatron II (hep-ex/0005012)
- P^µ of TPC track, EMC tower used as seed
- Jet Cone Radius = 0.4 (2003-2005) or 0.7 (2006)
- Look for additional stable clusters at "midpoint" between two clusters
- Split/Merge = 50%



Seedless Cone - SISCone

- Fastjet package [Cacciari, Soyez, arXiv:0704.0292]
- Jet Cone Radius = 0.7
- Split/Merge = 0.75.

Recombination k_T

- starts from lowest p_T.
- merges weighted by 1/p_T i.e.
 high p_T is dis-favored.





Anti-k_T

- [Cacciari, Salam, Soyez, arXiv:0802.1189]
- starts from high p_T advantage in high HI environment
- merges weighted by p_T i.e. low p_T is dis-favored.

Mid-point Cone Inclusive Jet Cross-section



NLO pQCD over 7 orders of magnitude

World Data!

kT and anti-kT Inclusive Jet Cross-section



Jet Shapes





- Larger energy → more focussed jet
- Excellent agreement between mid-point and SISCone

• Consistent with CDF > 80% within R~0.3.

High Tower Triggered Jets (Mid-point Cone 2004)



The Underlying Event at RHIC

Interest in the UE at RHIC comes from many directions:

- Jet Energy Scale (JES) Corrections in PP which are needed for spin and medium modification analyses.
- 2) Optimization of photon isolation cuts
- 3) Physics of the UE itself!

Definition of the Underlying Event

- The UE includes initial and final state radiation (ISR/FSR)
- The UE includes beam remnant interactions
- The UE includes Multiple Partonic Interactions (nearly negligible for 2006 RHIC luminosities)
- Results presented here follow closely the framework developed by Rick Field at CDF.
- This talk discusses two separate analyses using different jetfinders.



How can we measure the UE? Lets do what RICK did!

1st look at Back-to-Back Di-Jet Events in which the jet energies are relatively close so as to minimize radiation in transverse region.



Jetfinder Parameters and Back-to-Back Data Cuts

Analysis I	Analysis II	
Mid-Point Cone R=0.7	SISCone R=0.7, kT + anti-kT	
Number of jets = 2	Number of Jets = 2	
$ \text{Detector } \eta \le 0.5$	η ≤ 0.3	
Vertex Z ≤ 30 cm	Vertex Z ≤ 30 cm	
NE ratio ≤ 0.85	NE ratio ≤ 0.85	
Away Jet pT/ Toward Jet pT ≥ 0.7	Away Jet pT/ Toward Jet pT ≥ 0.7	For CDF
Track pT > 0.2 GeV	Track pT > 0.2 GeV	>0.5 GeV
Tower Et ≥ 0.2 GeV (MIP corrected)	Tower Et ≥ 0.2 GeV (MIP + e corrected)	>
Normalized to Transverse/Toward/Away Δη×Δφ	Normalized to inside Jet Cone for toward/away Δη×Δφ	
Uncorrected Jet Energy Scale	Uncorrected Jet Energy Scale	
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All Simulations are PYTHIA CDF Tune A + STAR GEANT Package

Mean Charged Track p _T					
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CDF	1.1	1.0			
STAR	0.55	0.55			













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Transverse MAX/MIN regions: Sensitivity to Initial and Final State Radiation

Back-to-Back dijet events minimize contributions from initial and final radiation in the transverse region.





- Study these effects by relaxing the dijet requirement and taking all Leading jet events

- Compare particle distributions for MAX/MIN transverse regions in Leading and Back-to-Back samples.

- The difference between leading and back-to-back events for Mean Charged Track pT is negligible at RHIC.

Charged Track Multiplicity Max/Min Distributions

-At RHIC the absolute values for MAX/MIN are lower than at the Tevatron, but Trans MAX - MIN is comparable.

- In current dataset the difference between Leading and Back-to-Back charged track <pT> distribution is statistically marginal.







Conclusions

- Hadron Collisions at RHIC take place at an order of magnitude smaller √s than the Tevatron. Nevertheless, jets are observed and reconstructed down to pT=5 GeV and are well described by pQCD
- II. Comparisons between several jetfinders reveal consistent results
- III. Interest in the Underlying Event at RHIC Kinematics is driven by the need for jet energy scale corrections as well as pure physics interests (see talks by M. Lisa and H. Caines)
- IV. UE at RHIC appears to be independent of jet pT and decoupled from hard interaction
- V. CDF Tune A provides an excellent description of the UE at \sqrt{s} =200 GeV (thanks Rick!)
- VI. Underlying Event distributions in general smaller than those at CDF. Tower & Track Multiplicities are the exception, but this may be due to the 0.2 (STAR) versus 0.5 GeV (CDF) pT/Et cut-off.
- VII. For a cone jet with R=0.7 UE contributes 0.5-0.9 GeV.
- VIII. Comparison of Leading Jet and Back-to-Back distributions indicate that large angle radiation contributions are small at RHIC energies.

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