

### Background

Particle collisions are a large part of high energy physics. When particles collide at high energy density they create a quark-gluon plasma. By analyzing jets, an energetic spray of particles, we can learn about the collision and the quark-gluon plasma. Topological clustering is a method which is used to reconstruct jets. In the sPHENIX detector, jets will move through a tracker, an electromagnetic calorimeter, a hadronic calorimeter, a magnet, and then another hadronic calorimeter. By tracking the position and gathering the momentum of the particles that are contained within jets, reconstruction can be done. Topological clustering is an algorithm that groups together electromagnetic and hadronic calorimeter towers. In principle, a single topological cluster corresponds to a single particle, but that is not necessary. In this poster, we explore hadronic calibration using reconstructed topological clusters.



The sPHENIX Detector with each separate calorimeter layer, tracking layer, and the magnet.

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## Energy Resolution

Energy Matching



 $\pi^{-}$  matching topocluster energy levels to their corresponding truth particle. The slope is 0.996 +/- 0.0026.

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### Single Particle Events



For matched topoclusters to generated  $\pi^{-}$ , projected 2-d  $\Delta E$  vs. Truth E distribution in different Energy bins.  $\sigma_{\rm E}/{\rm E}_{\rm True}$  shows better than 20% energy resolution above 10 GeV and consistent with sPHENIX test beam data.





For isolated topoclusters matched to truth particles, projected 2-d  $\Delta E$  vs. Truth E distribution in different Energy bins.  $\sigma_{\rm E}/{\rm E}_{\rm True}$  shows resolution is under 30%.







Truth Energy [GeV]

- 1 million  $\pi^-$  events with 5  $\pi^-$  particles per event
- Match a topological cluster with a truth particle by using a radial distance cut of 0.1.
- Found the probability to match for charged and uncharged pions to be greater than 90%
- well
- hadronic calorimeter.



- surrounding particles
- Tested the accuracy of H/E cut from single particles • 97.8% were "hadronic," only eliminated photons because particles such as electrons were nearly zero to begin with to calibrate topoclusters
- Used the same calibration from the single particle simulation
- Plotted energy resolution for hadronic particles in p+p events





### Single Particles

• Position resolutions confirmed topological clusters matched

• For matched topological clusters, the energy resolution leveled out around 20-30% for our hadronic particles. • Made an H/E cut to accrue particles that would decay in

## PYTHIA p+p

• Proton collisions closer represent heavy ion collisions • Accurate sample of data came in the form of isolated particles • Topocluster data will not be corrupted with data from

