# Parton cascades at DLA: the role of the evolution variable 

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First, a look at vacuum showers

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\zeta<4 \Longrightarrow\left|p_{\text {rel }}\right|<\frac{E}{2}
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(Enforced via retrials)

Results (Work in Progress)

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Relative transverse momentum (1 ${ }^{\text {st }}$ splitting)


Transverse momentum distributions follow $\frac{d p_{\text {rel }}^{2}}{p_{\text {rel }}^{2}}$

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- Hadronisation cutoff: $\quad\left|p_{\text {rel }}\right|>1 \mathrm{GeV} / \mathrm{c}$
- Energy conservation: $\quad z \leq 1$
- Angular cutoff: $\zeta=\left(\frac{\left|\boldsymbol{p}_{\text {rel }}\right|}{E z(1-z)}\right)^{2} \leq 4$

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Shower evolution: Transverse momentum decreases, momentum fraction increases.

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Now, a simple quenching model!

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## Backup Slides

## Without the consistency condition




If the condition $\zeta<4$ is used simply to initialise the angular shower, the time and angle distributions do not behave consistently across algorithms

## With the consistency condition




When the condition $\zeta<4$ is used as a veto for all emissions, the distributions become consistent.

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