

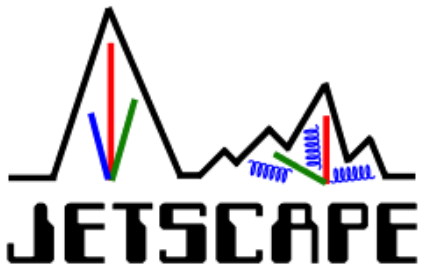
# Evolution of heavy quarks in the QGP using JETSCAPE

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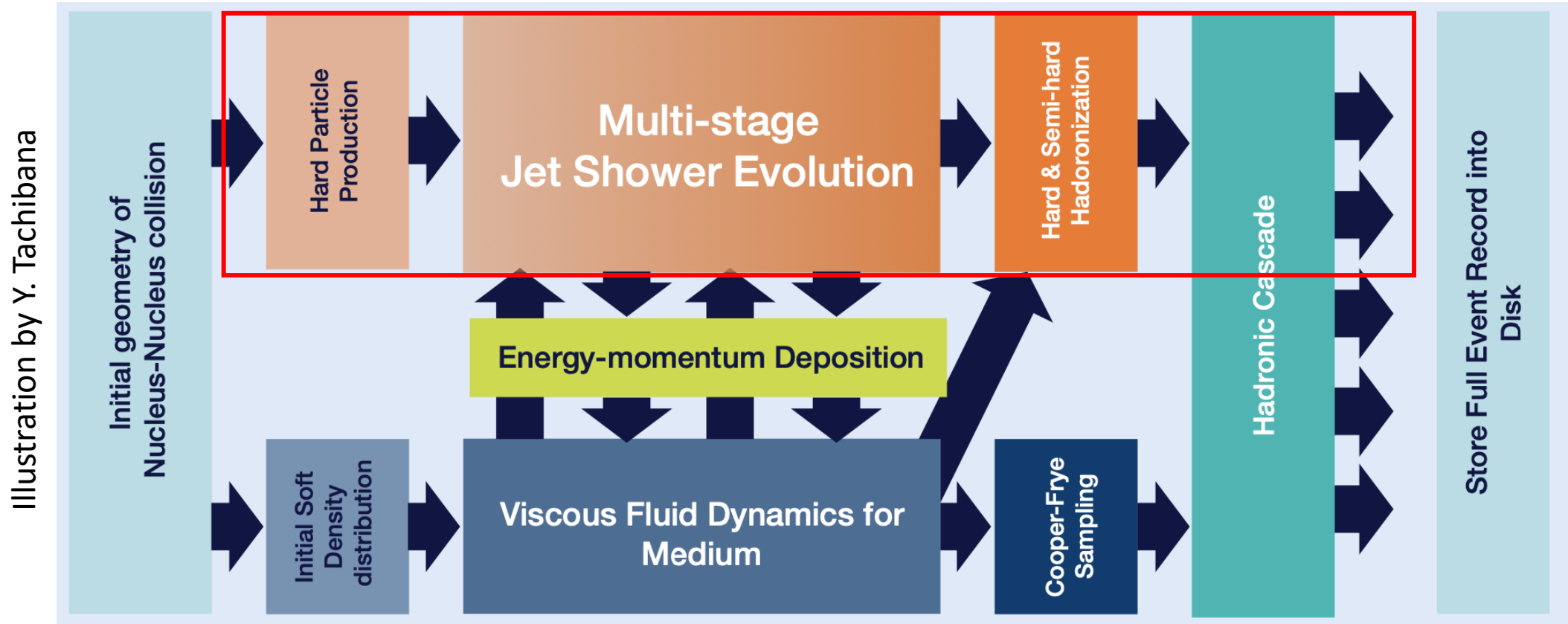
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# The JETSCAPE Framework



- JETSCAPE framework allows :
  - Multiple energy loss formalisms to be present simultaneously, each applied in its region of validity.
  - Provides a set of Bayesian tools to characterize the interaction of hard probes with the QGP (see tomorrow's Bayesian session).

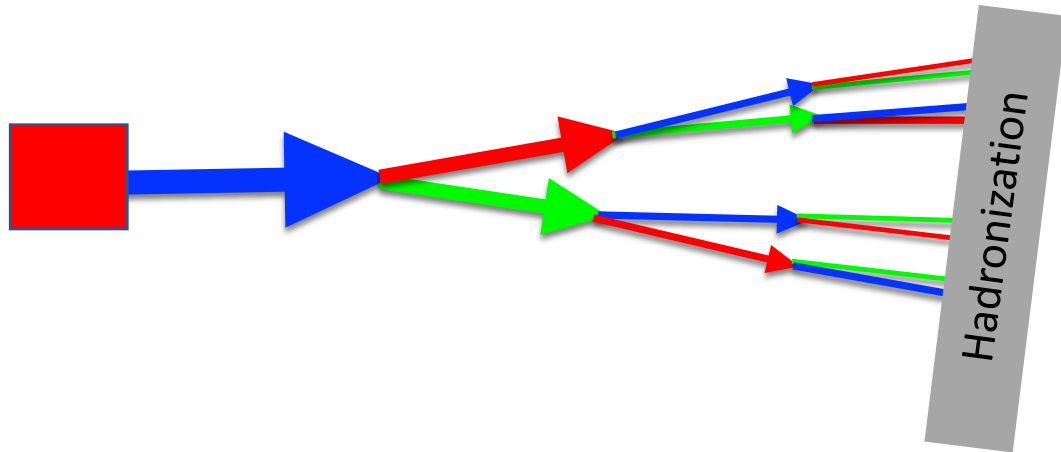
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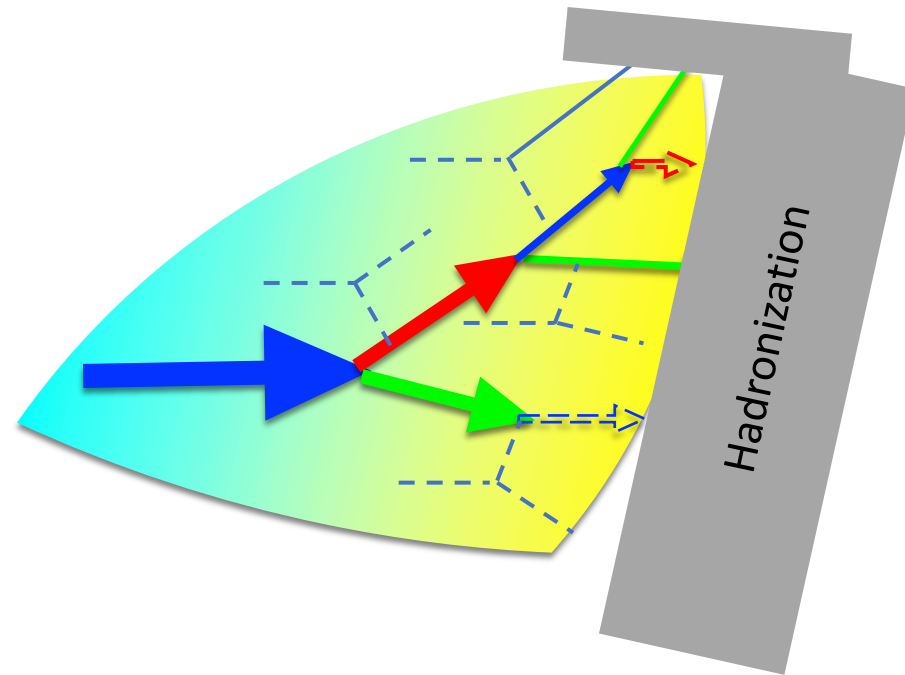
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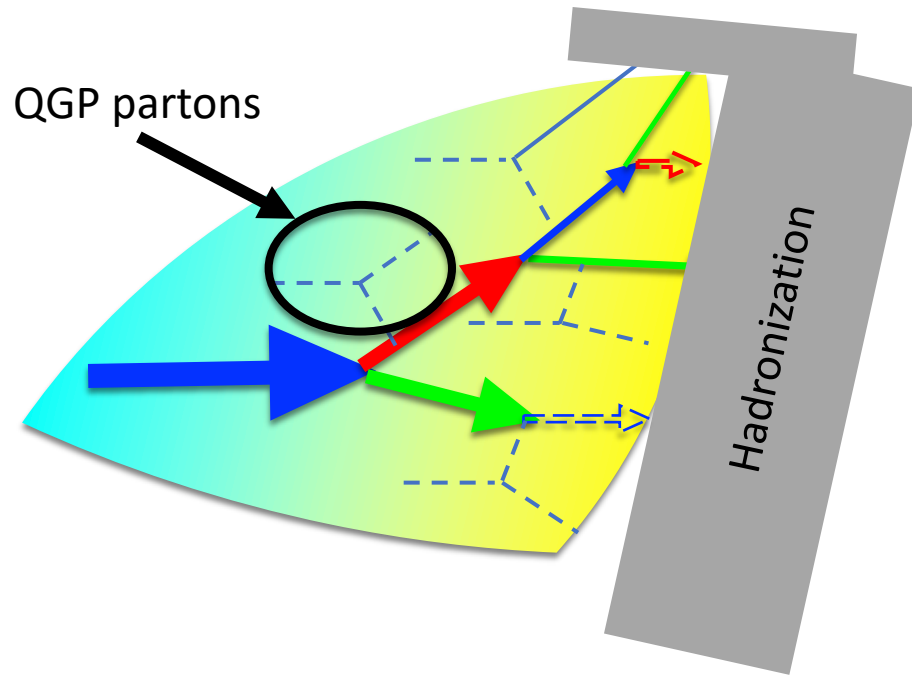
- In p-p collisions, the initial highly virtual quark or gluon produces a jet shower solely through radiation.
- In PYTHIA, a Monte Carlo event generator, this shower is angular ordered, which generate a jet in a narrow cone.

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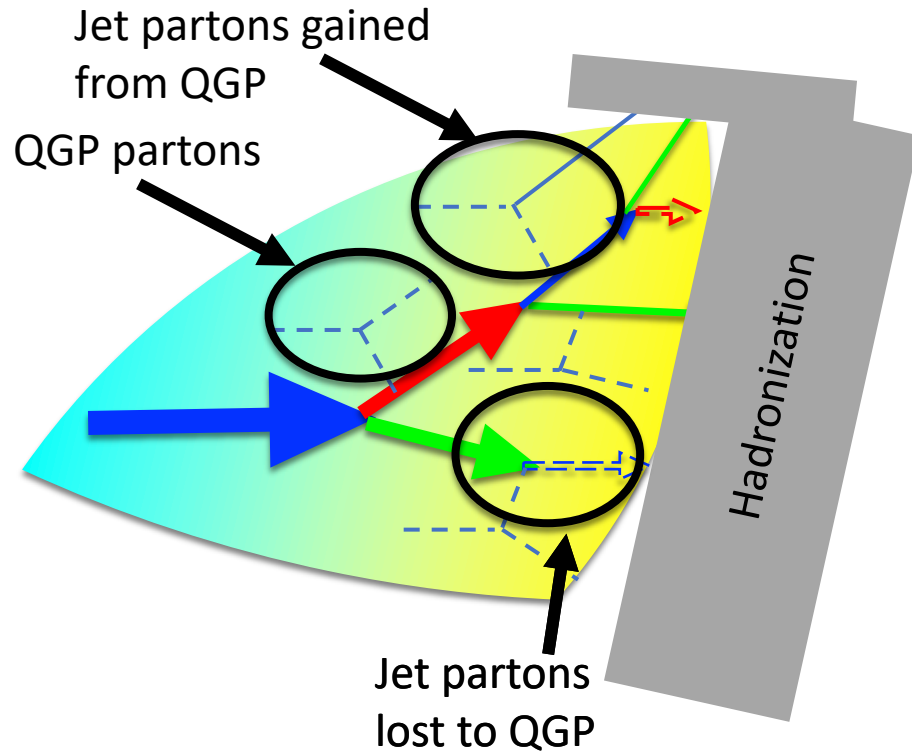
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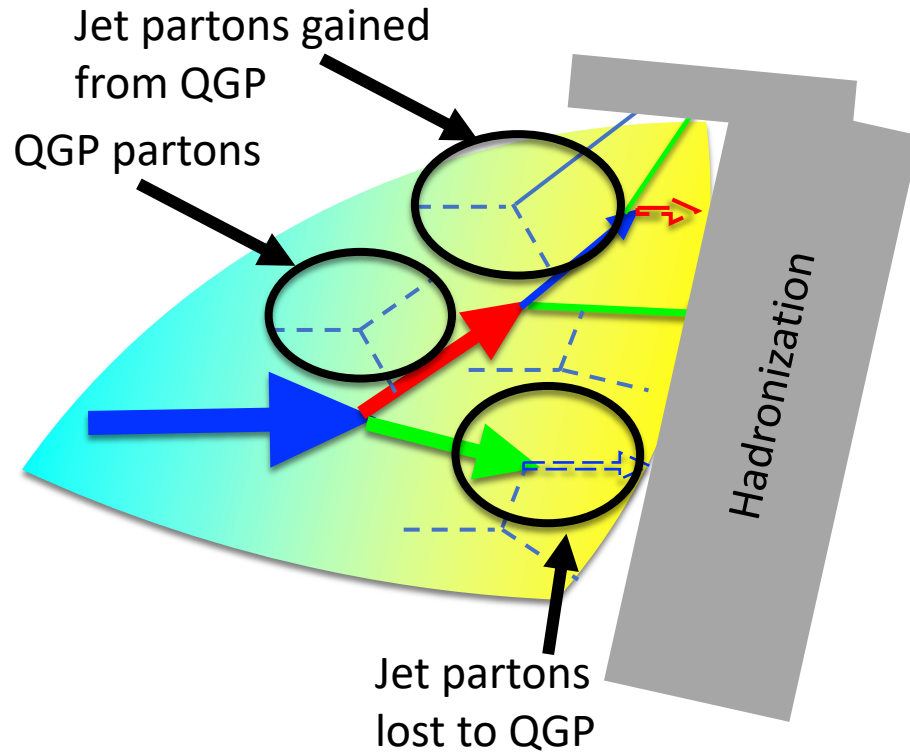
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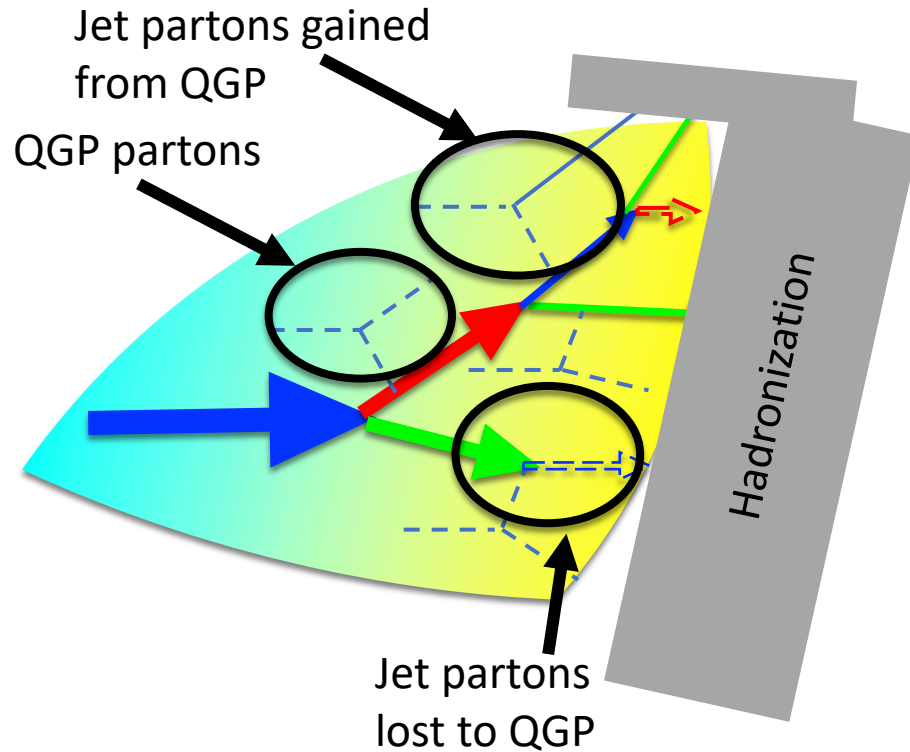


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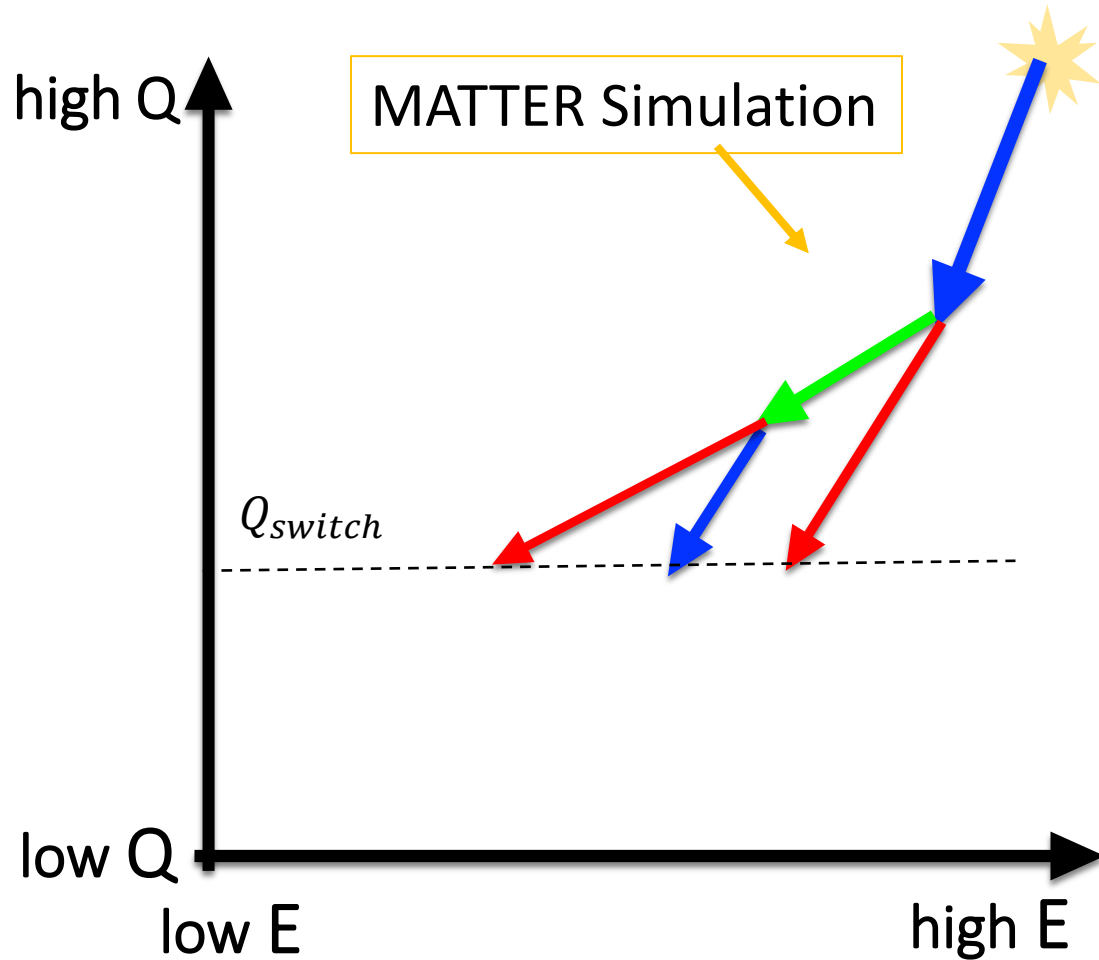
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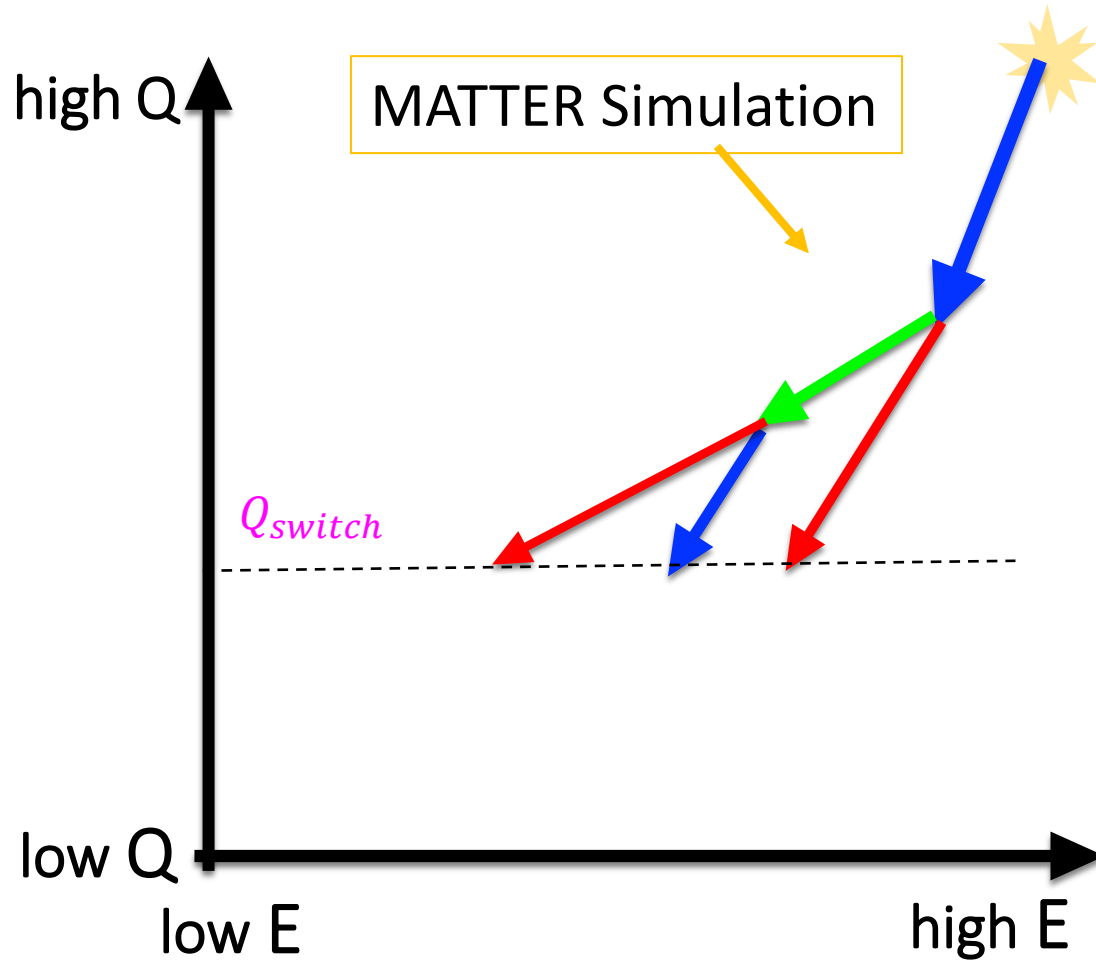
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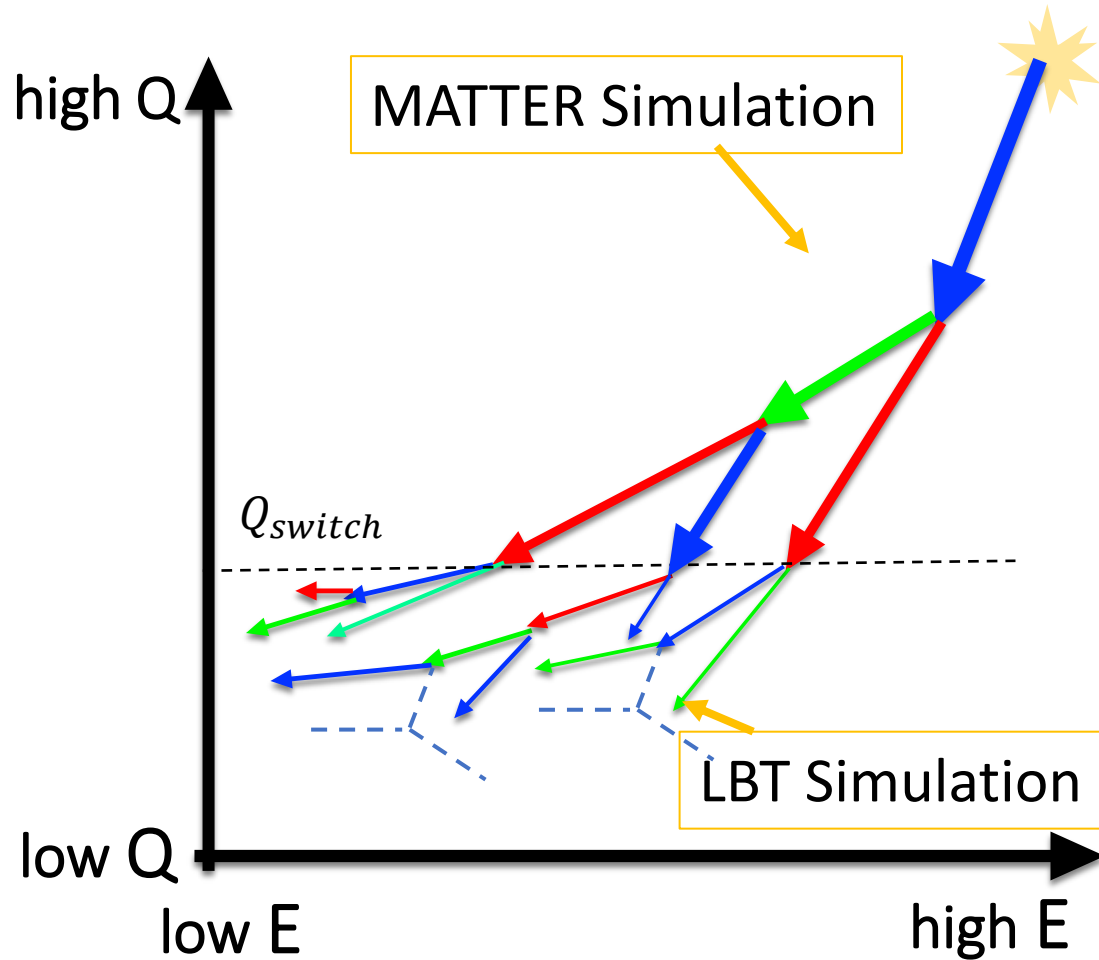
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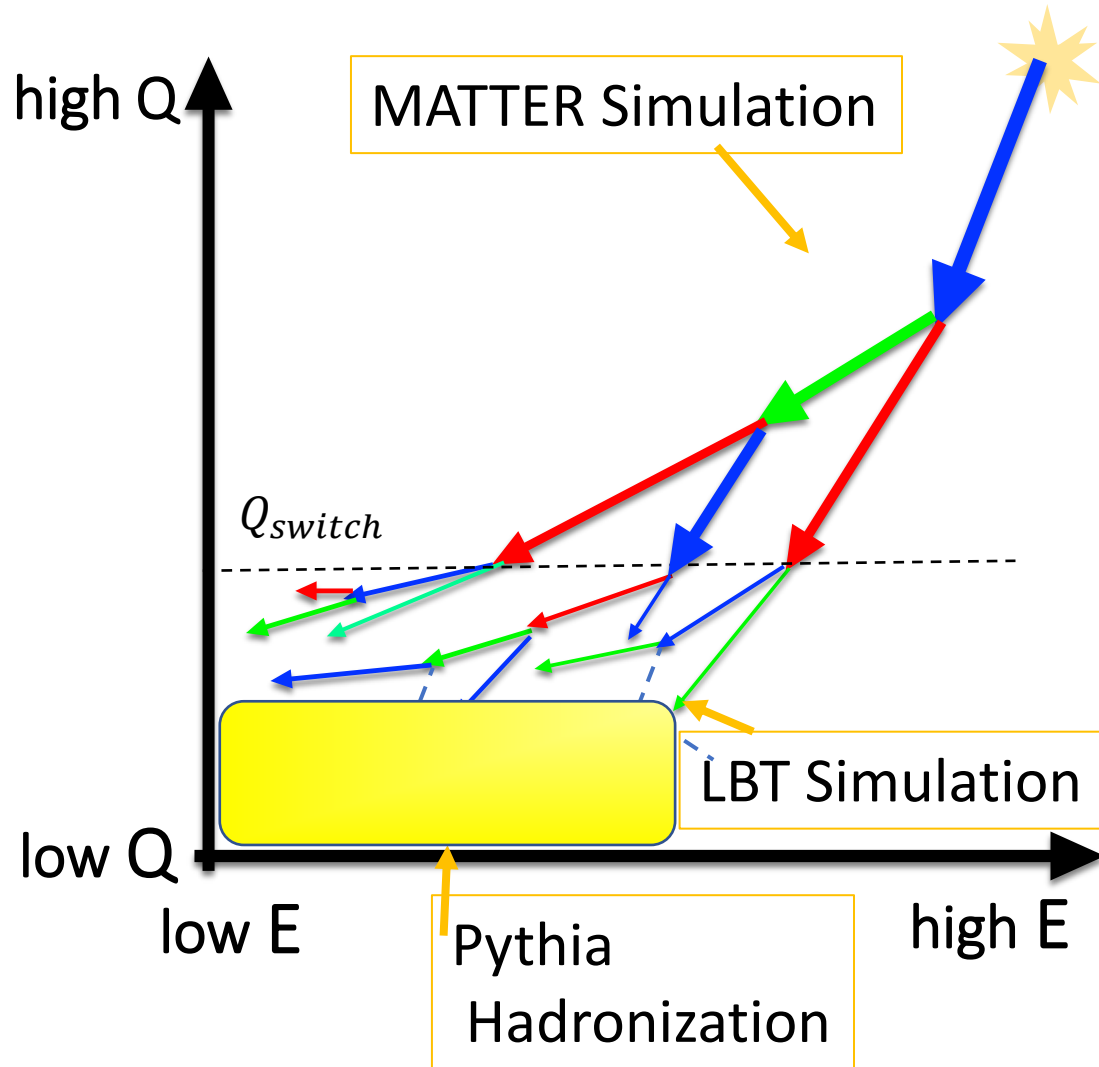
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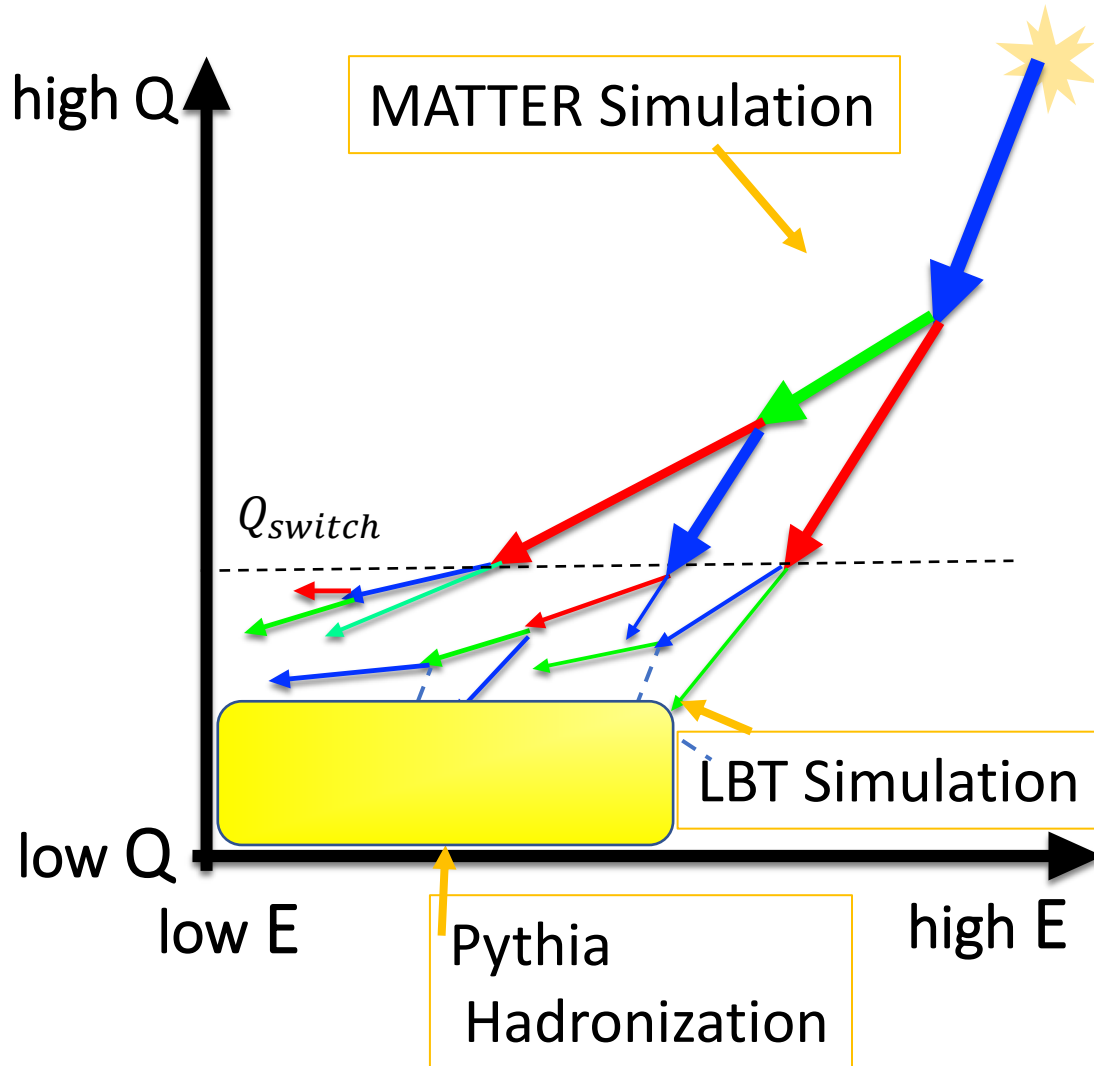
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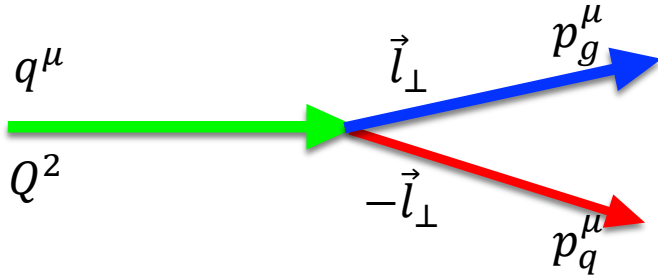
The JETSCAPE framework combines these multiple stages for an improved description of parton energy loss.

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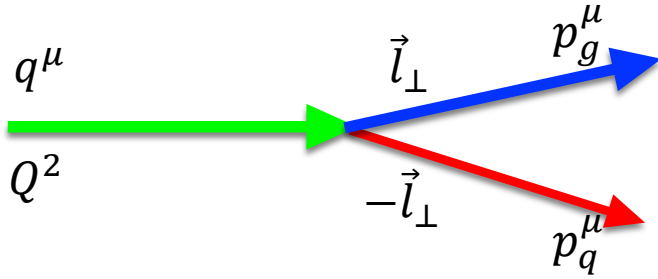


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w/ the Casimir for  $SU(N_c = 3)$   $C_F = \frac{N_c^2 - 1}{2N_c} = \frac{4}{3}$

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- A few definitions:

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$$q^+ = \frac{q^0 + q^z}{\sqrt{2}}; \quad q^- = \frac{q^0 - q^z}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow q^2 - M^2 = 2q^+q^- - \vec{q}_\perp^2 - M^2 = Q^2$$

$$q^\mu = p_q^\mu + p_g^\mu$$

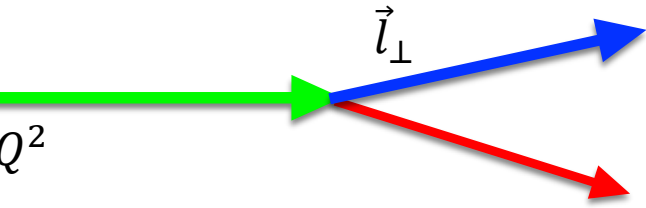
$$\Rightarrow p_q^\mu = \left( (1 - y)q^+, \frac{\vec{l}_\perp^2 + M^2}{2(1 - y)q^+}, -\vec{l}_\perp \right)$$

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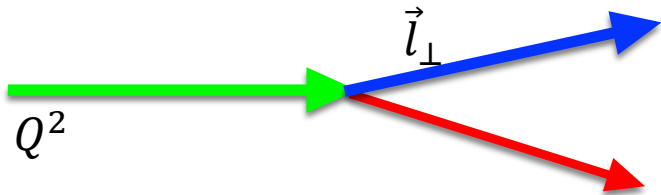
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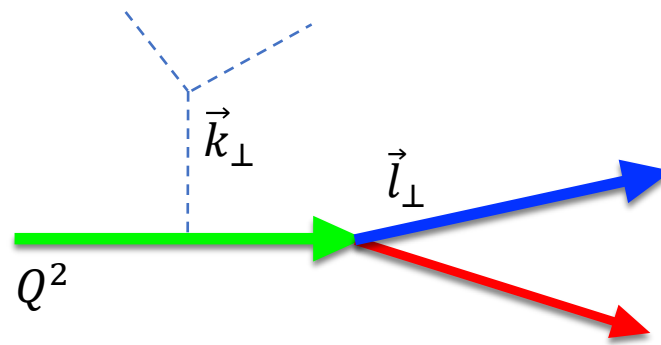
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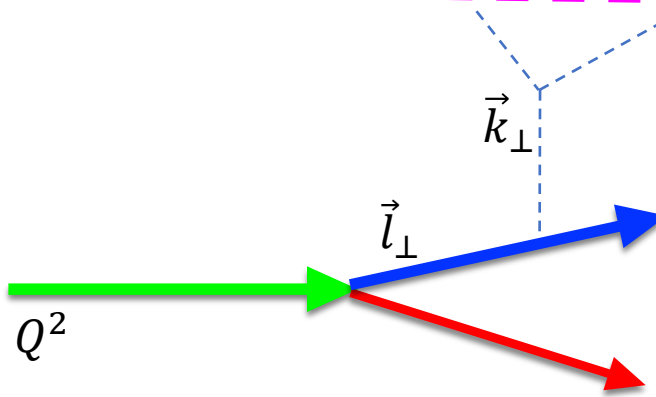
- The in-medium splitting function is affected by scattering. At high  $Q^2$ , only a single scattering is allowed, thus the full splitting function is :



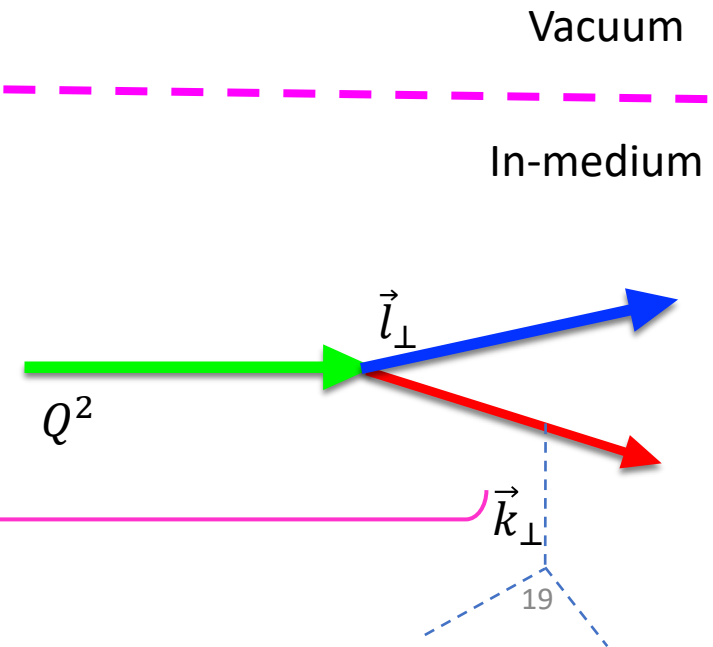
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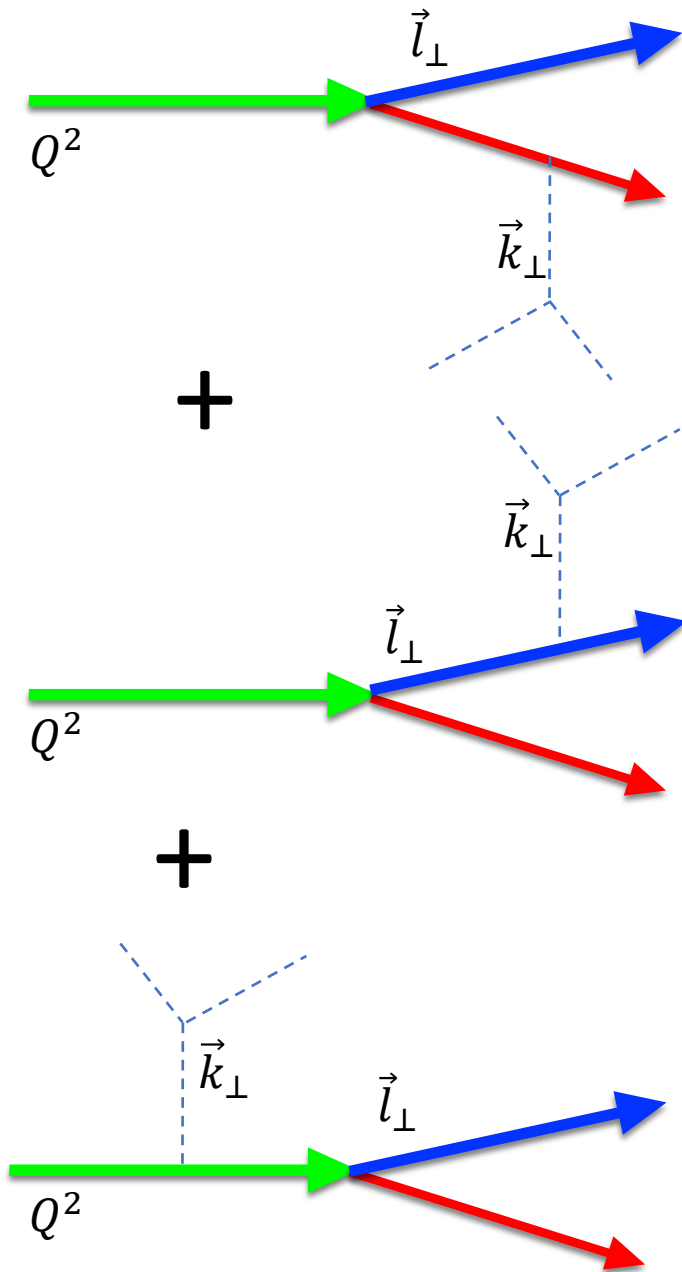
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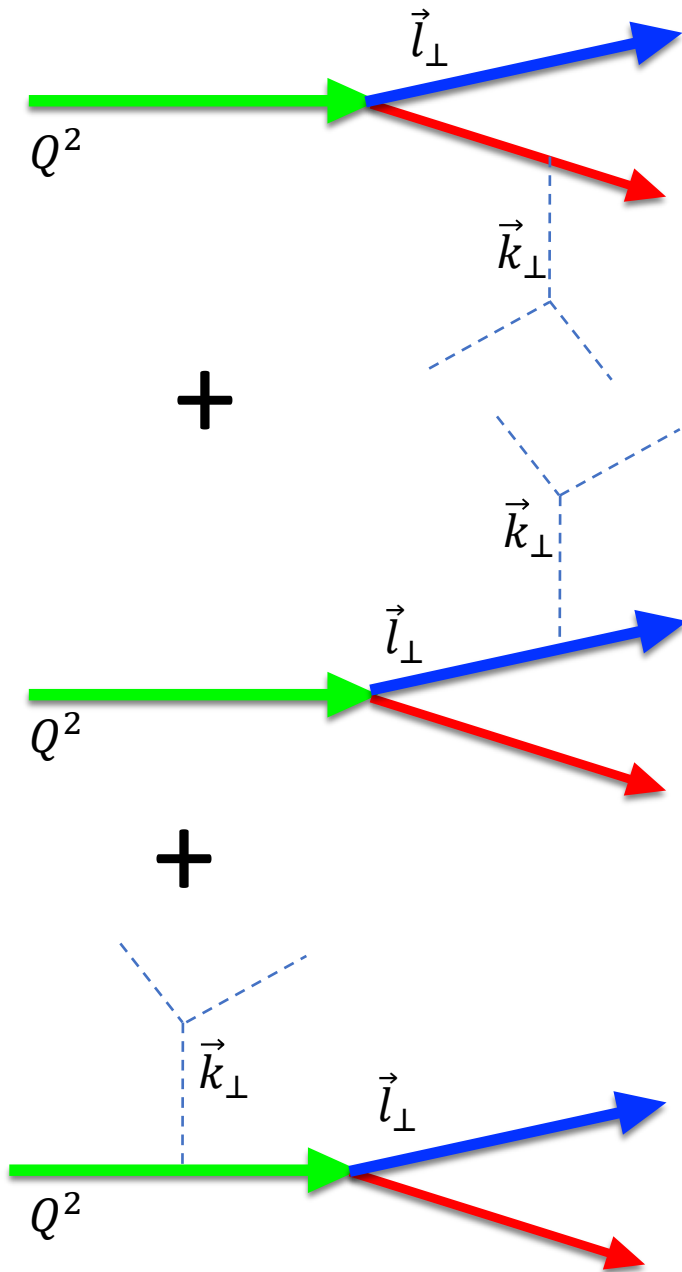
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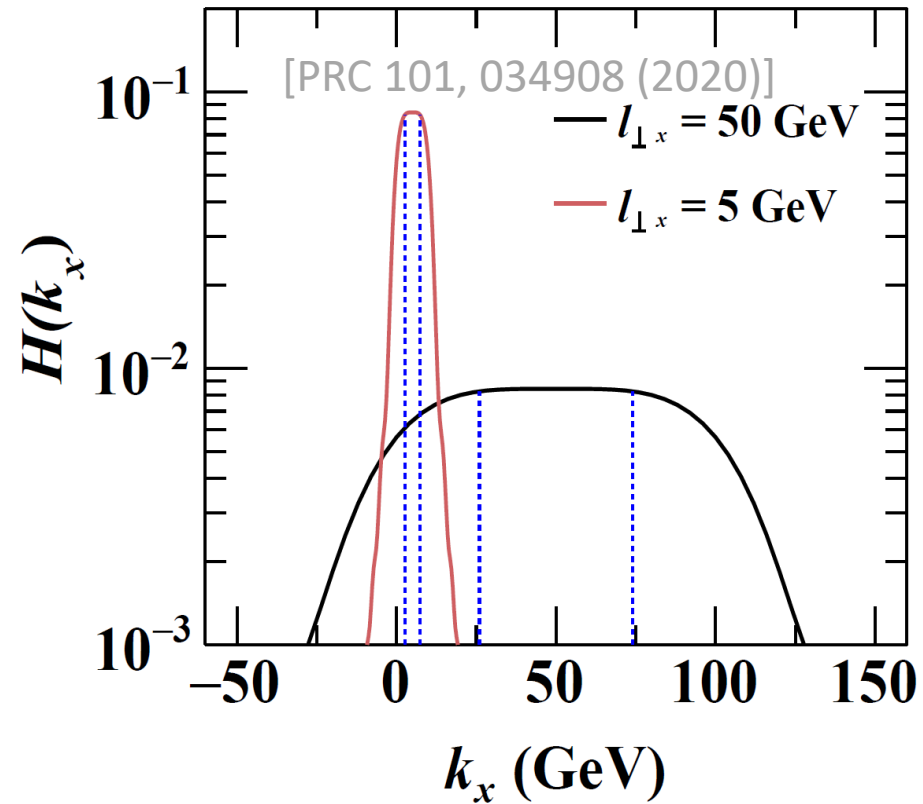
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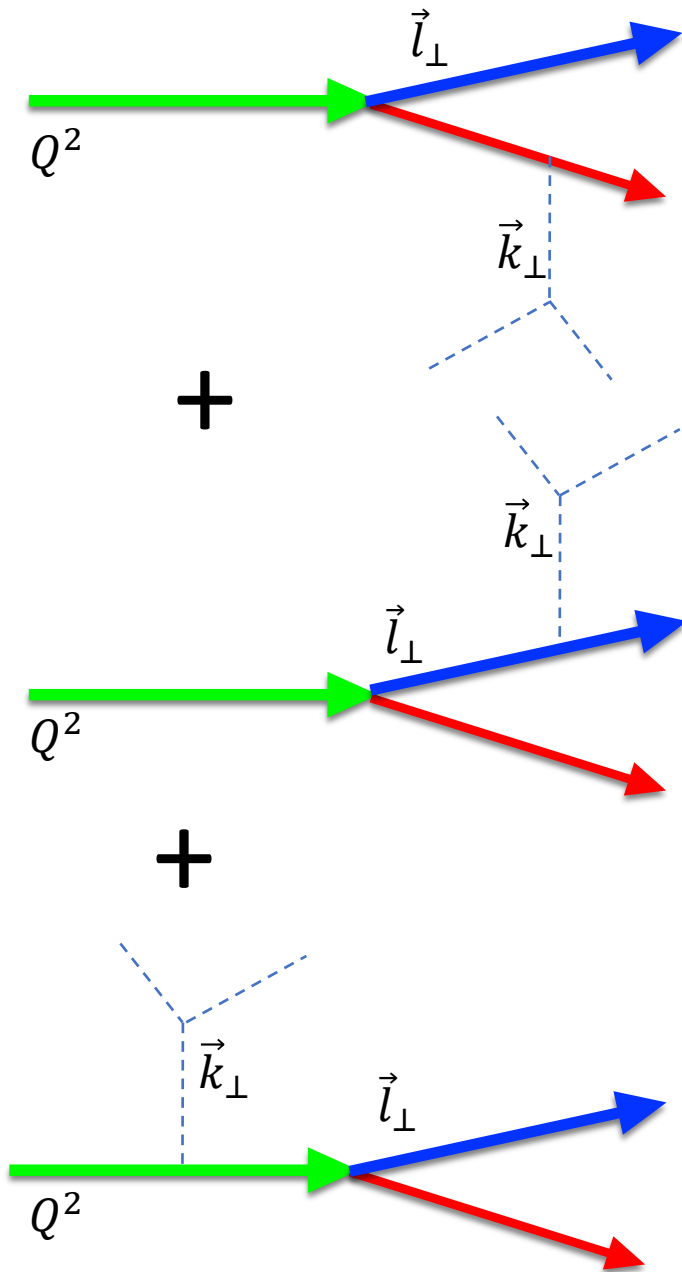
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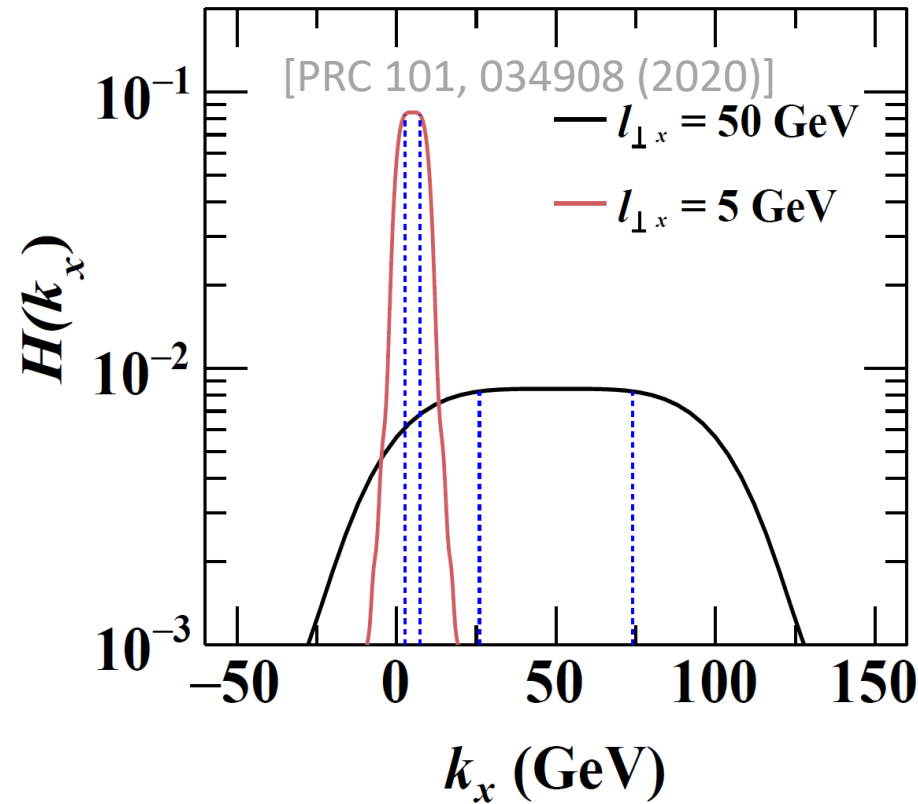
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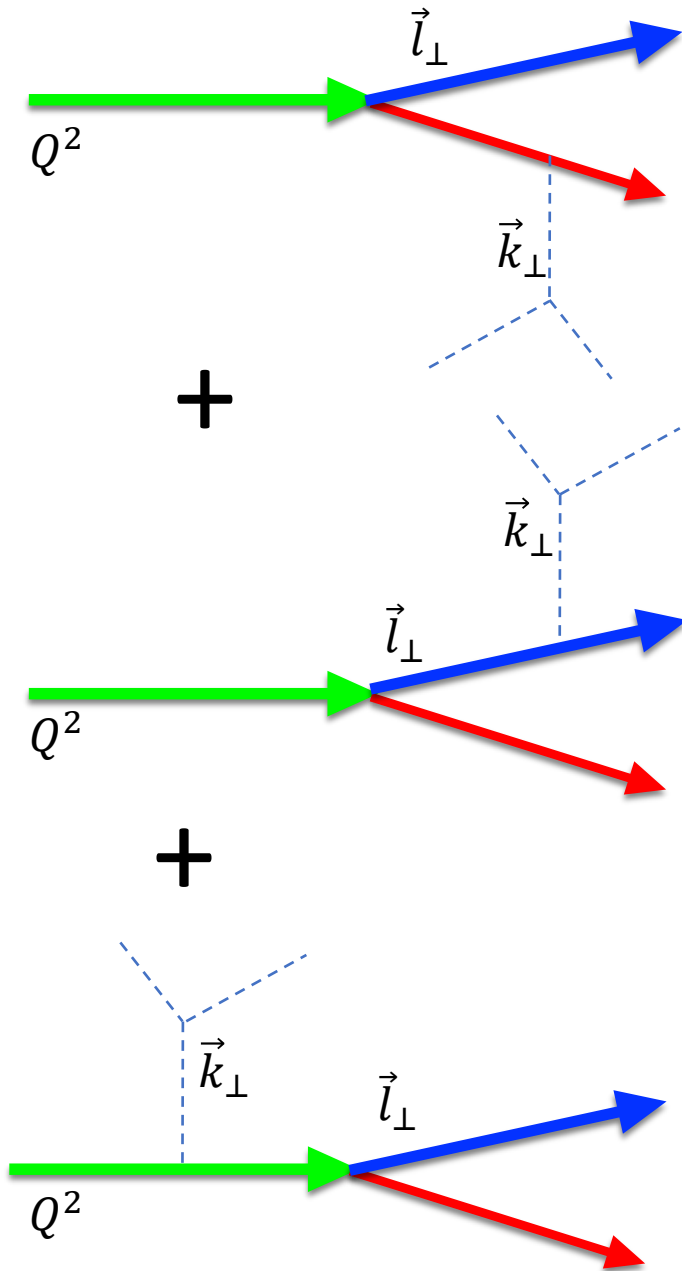


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- Inside blue dotted lines:  $k_\perp$ -range of coherent scattering
- Outside blue dotted lines: scattering and radiation become more and more incoherent

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- If  $l_\perp^2 \sim k_\perp^2 \Rightarrow$  medium can resolve the two daughter partons
- Taylor-expanding in  $k_\perp$  and integrating over  $k_\perp$ , the medium-modified splitting function (for incoming light quarks) is

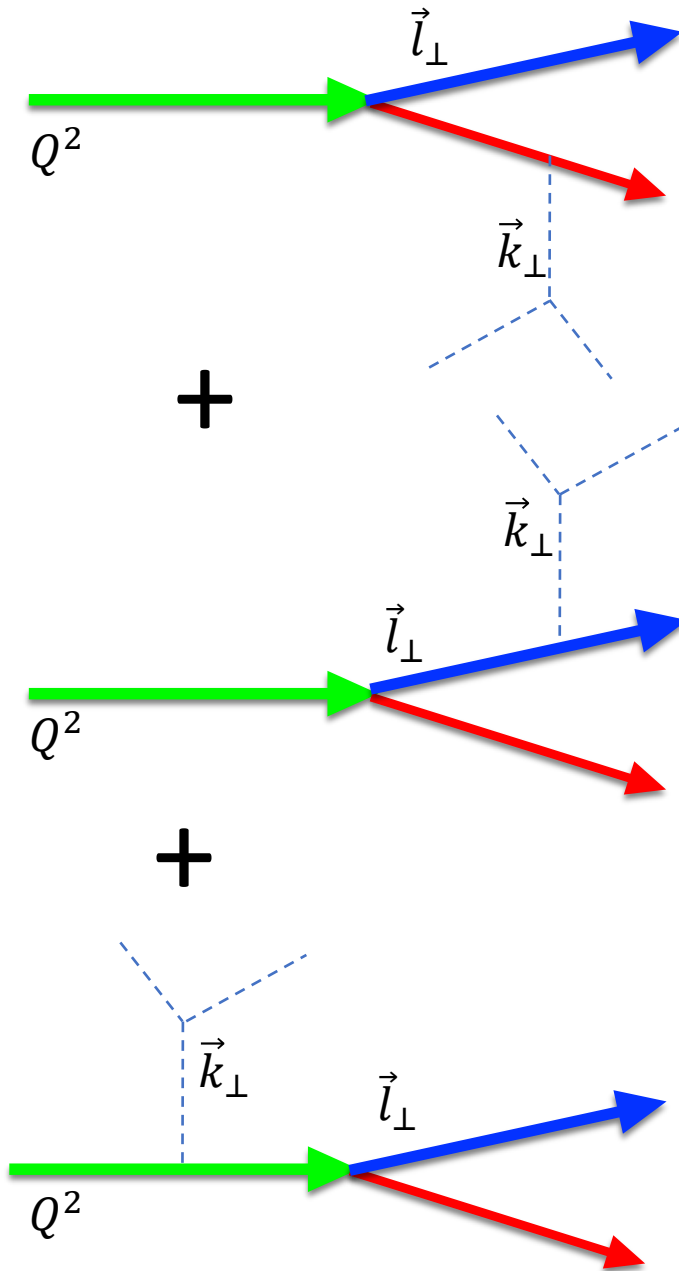
$$\mathcal{P}(y) = P(y) + \tilde{\mathcal{P}}(y) \quad [\text{PRC 101, 034908 (2020)}]$$

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$$\tau_f^+ = \frac{2q^+}{Q^2} = \frac{2q^+ y(1-y)}{l_\perp^2}$$

- A part of **coherent scattering** effects is in  $2 - 2 \cos(\tau / \tau_f)$
- The other part **coherence** is included in  $\hat{q}(Q^2)$

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- Applying the light flavor approach on heavy flavors, the in-medium splitting function is:

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$$\tilde{\mathcal{P}}(y) = \frac{P(y)A(y, \chi) \int_0^{\tau_f^+} d\tau^+ [2 - 2 \cos(\tau^+ / \tau_f^+)] \hat{q}}{y(1-y)Q^2(1+\chi)^2}$$

$$A(y, \chi) = \left\{ \left(1 - \frac{y}{2}\right) - \chi + \left(1 - \frac{y}{2}\right) \chi^2 \right\}$$

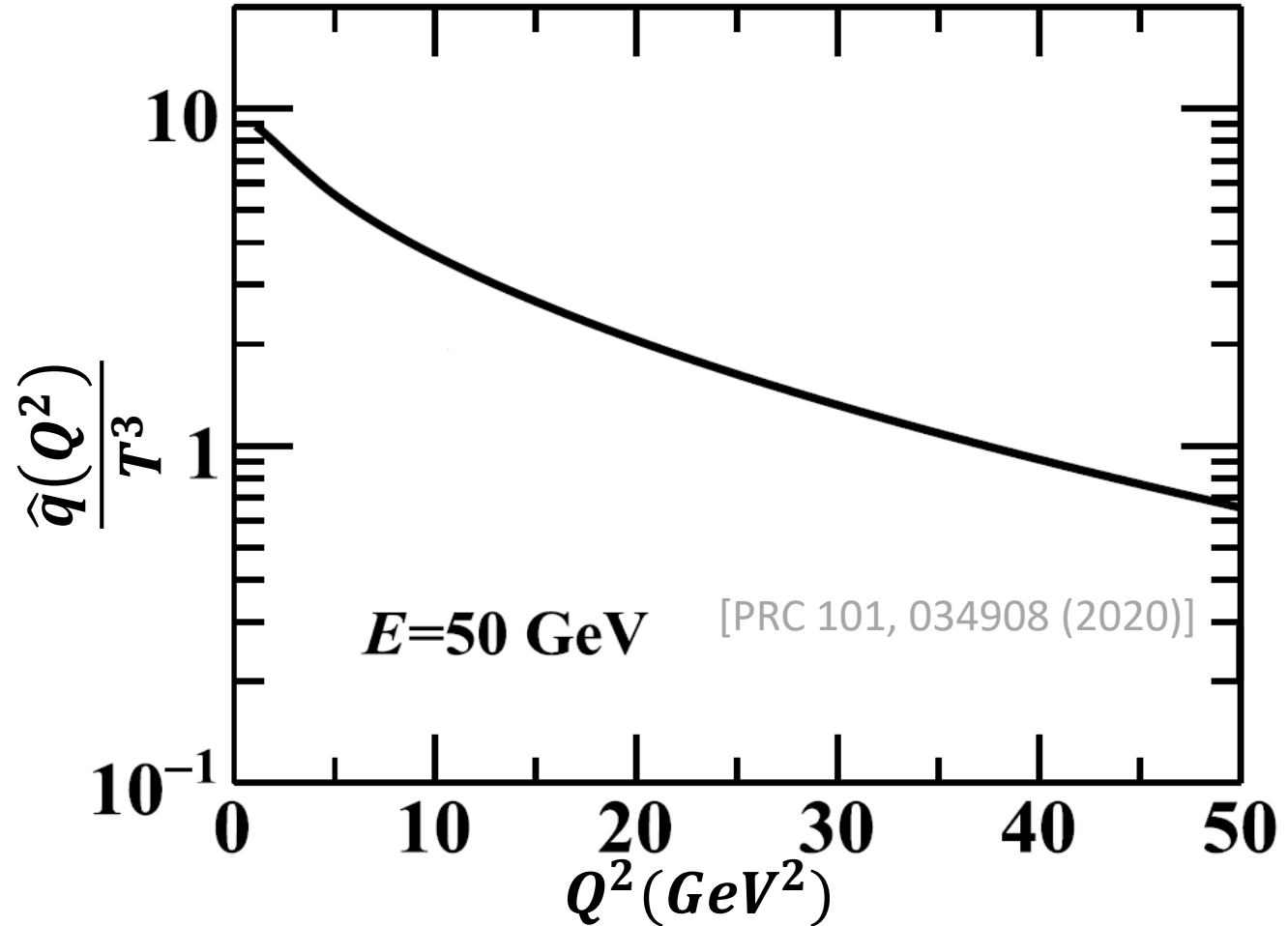
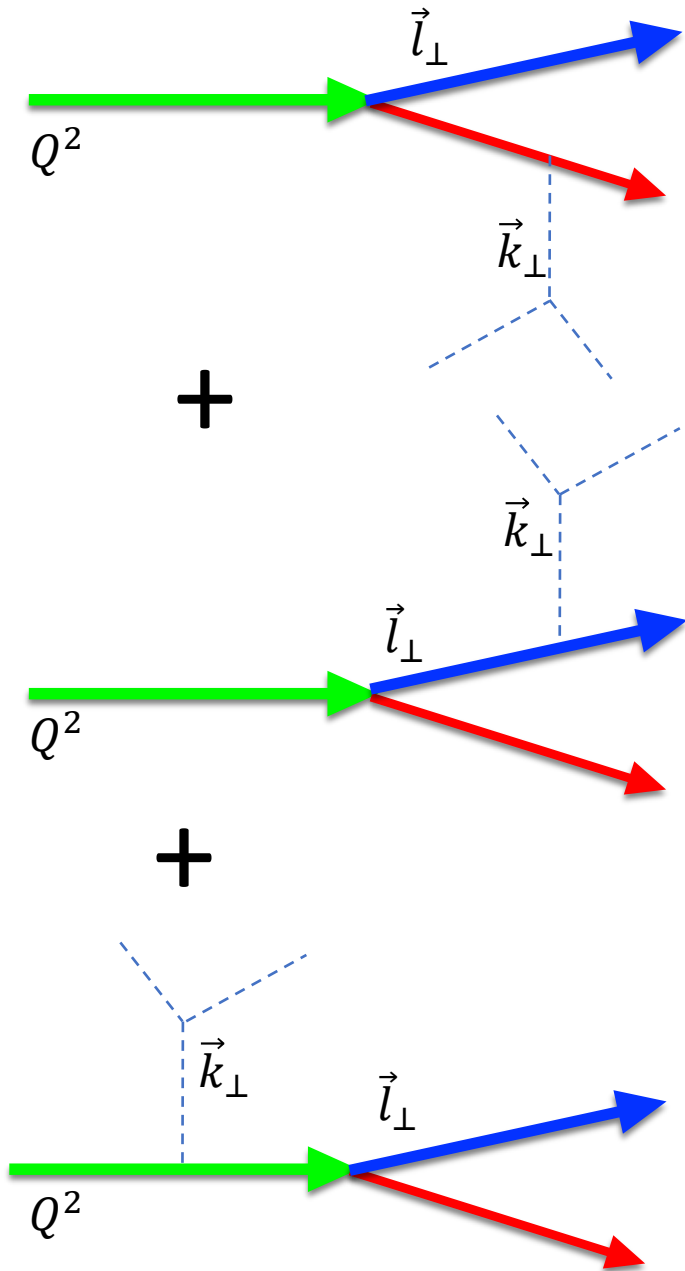
$$\chi = \frac{y^2 M^2}{l_\perp^2} = \frac{y^2 M^2}{y(1-y)Q^2 - y^2 M^2}$$

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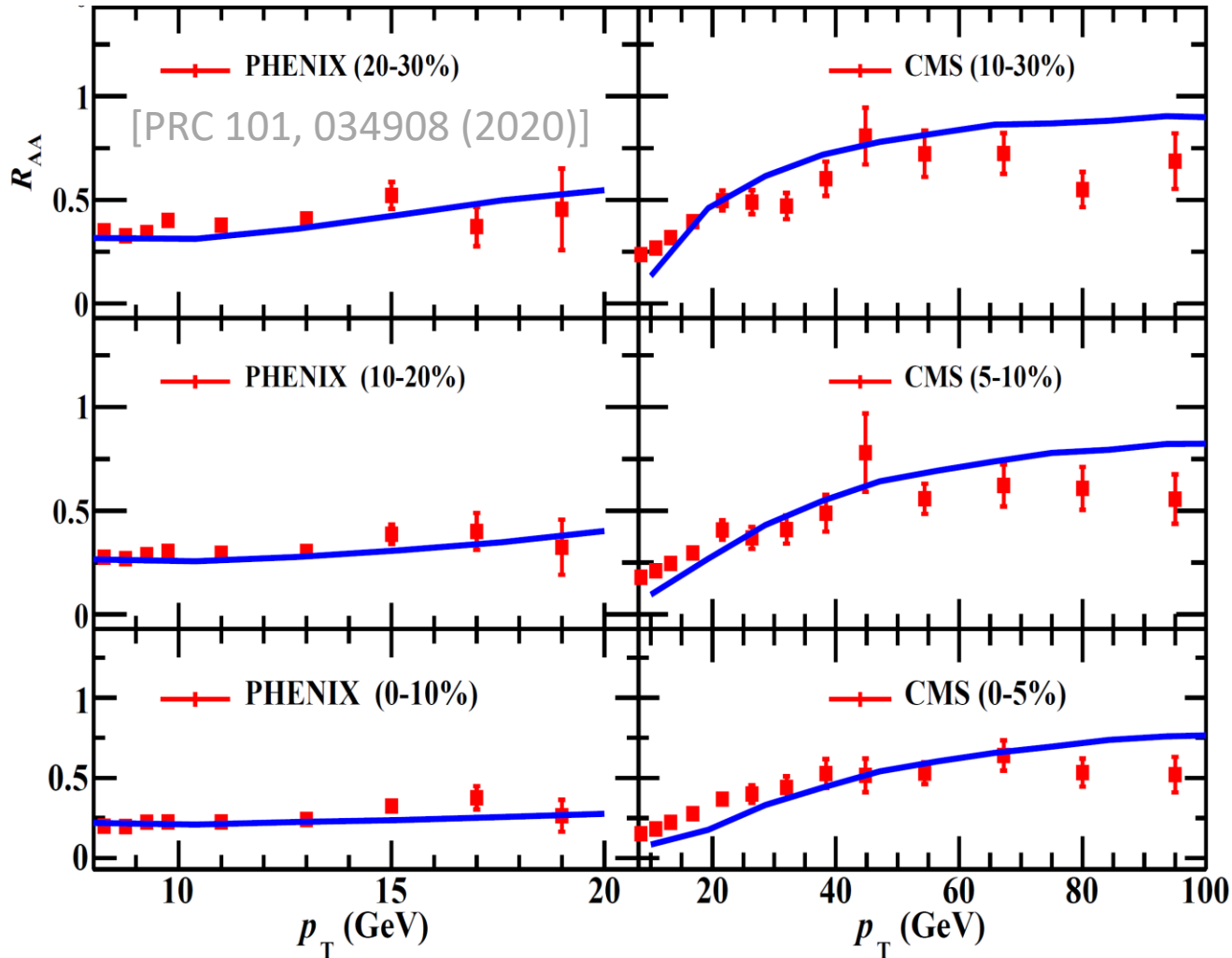
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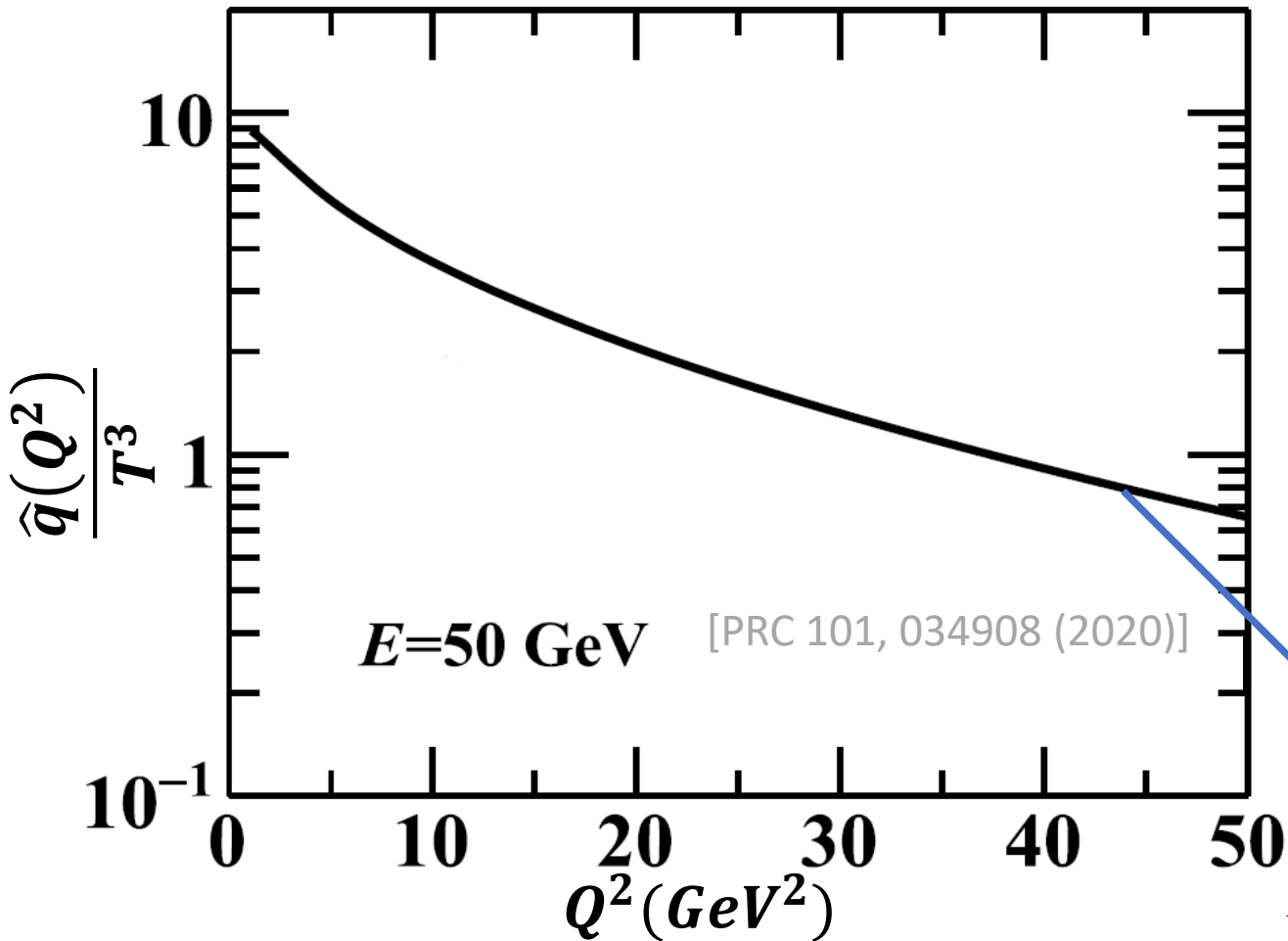
- For heavy quarks  $\hat{q}(Q^2, M)$  is yet to be determined using the (SCET) formalism of PRC 94, 054902 (2016)

# Why is a virtuality-dependent $\hat{q}$ needed?



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- Explore how this  $\hat{q}(Q^2)$  affects heavy quarks in a multi-scale MATTER+LBT simulation using a parametrization:

$$\hat{q}(Q^2) = \hat{q}_{HTL} H(Q^2)$$

$$\hat{q}_{HTL} \propto \alpha_s^2 T^3 \ln \left[ \frac{cE}{\alpha_s T} \right]$$

$$H(Q^2) = \begin{cases} 1 & Q^2 < Q_s^2 \\ \frac{1 + c_1 \ln^2(Q_s^2) + c_2 \ln^4(Q_s^2)}{1 + c_1 \ln^2(Q^2) + c_2 \ln^4(Q^2)} & Q^2 \geq Q_s^2 \end{cases}$$

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 $\Rightarrow \theta_{d_1} > \dots > \theta_{d_i} > \dots > \theta_{d_n}$  is not strictly ensured for a daughter generation  $i \in n$ .

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- For  $Q \rightarrow Q + g$

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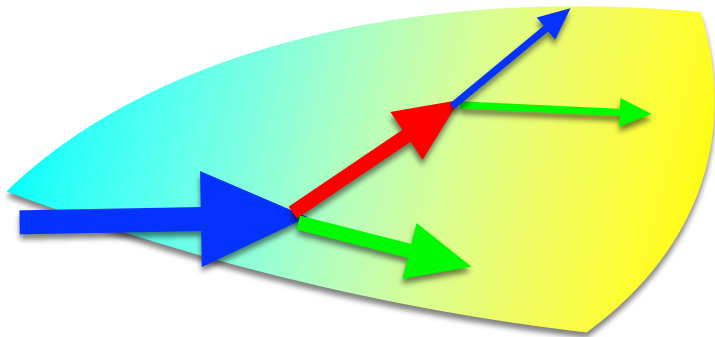
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- Recursive Sudakov application for each daughter (giving  $Q_d^2$ ) generates a shower.



- Where different decay channels are possible,  $\mathcal{P} \rightarrow \sum_i \mathcal{P}_i$  where  $i$  identifies the processes. For gluons,  $i$  labels  $g \rightarrow gg$ ,  $g \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ , and  $g \rightarrow \bar{Q}Q$ .



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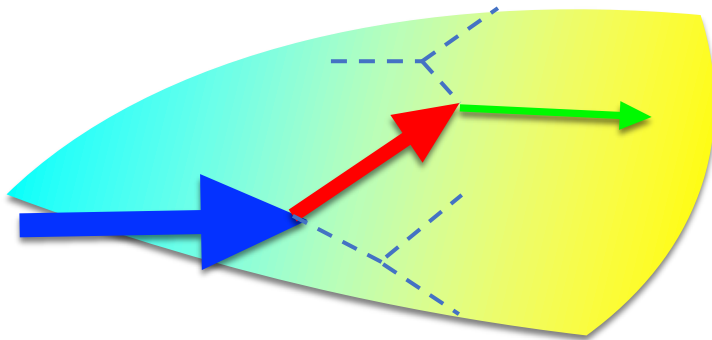
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  - Virtuality-ordered shower with splittings above  $Q^2 \gg Q_{switch}^2$ .
  - The Sudakov form factor assigns virtuality to each parton by throwing a random number # and solving for  $\# = \Delta(Q)$ . [Adv. Ser. Direct. HEP, 573 (1989); NPA 696, 788 (2001)]

$$\Delta(Q_{\max}, Q \geq Q_{\min}) = \exp \left[ - \int_{Q^2}^{Q_{\max}^2} \frac{d(Q^2)}{Q^2} \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{2\pi} \int_{y_{\min}}^{y_{\max}} dy \mathcal{P}(y, Q^2) \right]$$

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- The details about  $2 \rightarrow 2$  scatterings is given in the next section.

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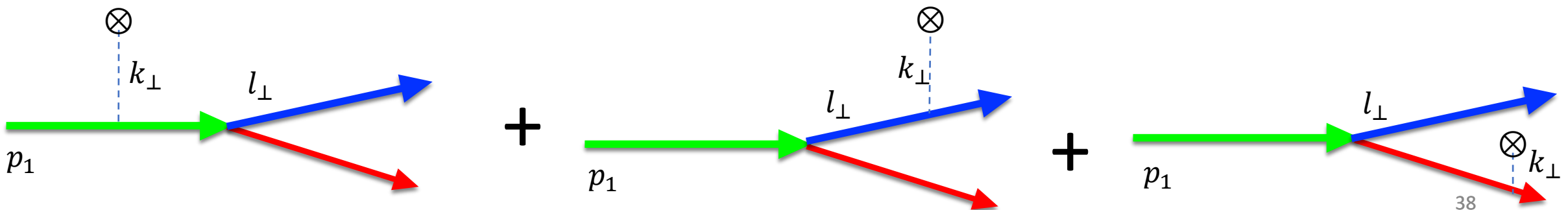
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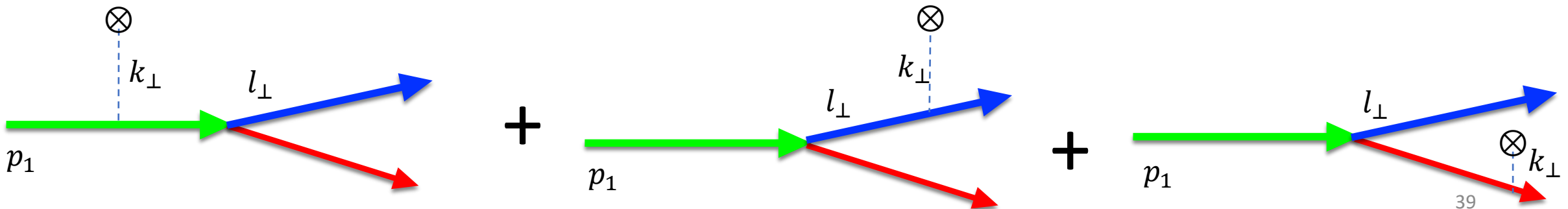


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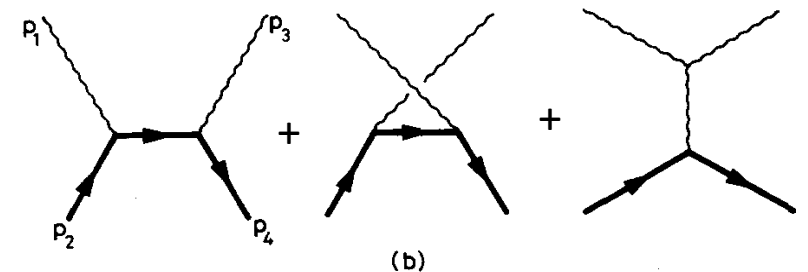
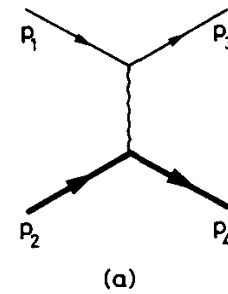
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$\Rightarrow$  total number of collisions is:

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- A comparison with vacuum:

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Inside vacuum  $N = L\sigma$ :

$$L \propto \left\{ \prod_{i=1,2} \left[ \int \frac{d^3 p_i}{(2\pi)^3} f(p_i) \right] \right\} 4 \sqrt{(p_1 \cdot p_2)^2 - p_1^2 p_2^2}; \quad \sigma \propto \frac{1}{2p_1^0 2p_2^0} \left\{ \prod_{f=3,4} \left[ \int \frac{d^3 p_f}{2p_f^0 (2\pi)^3} \right] \right\} \frac{|\bar{\mathcal{M}}|^2 (2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)}(p_1 + p_2 - p_3 - p_4)}{4 \sqrt{(p_1 \cdot p_2)^2 - p_1^2 p_2^2}}$$

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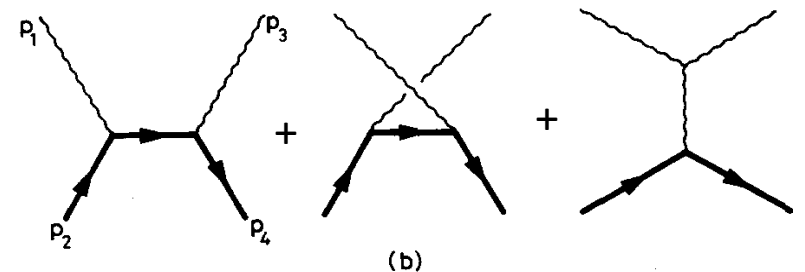
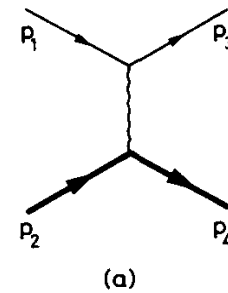
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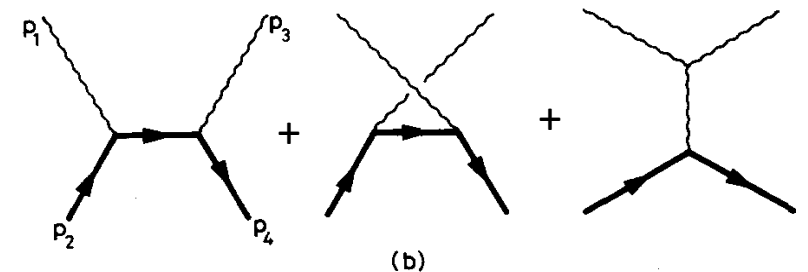
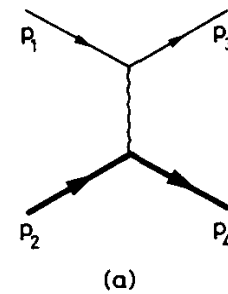
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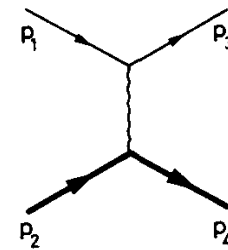


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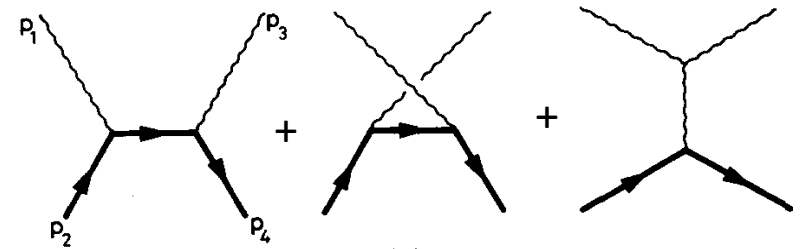
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(a)



(b)

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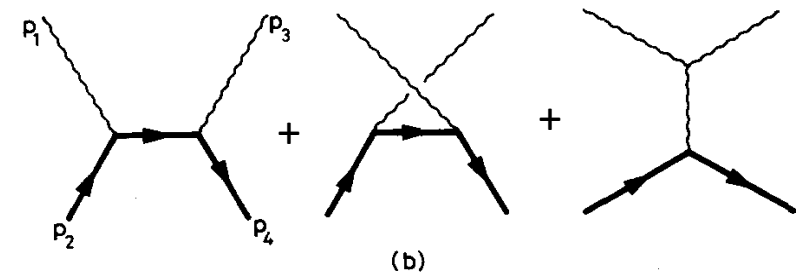
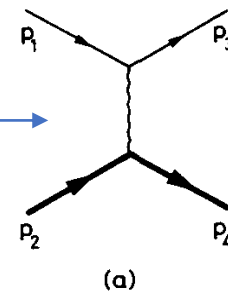
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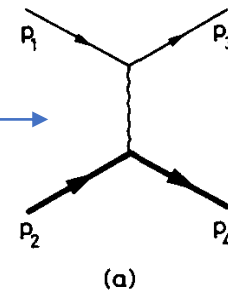
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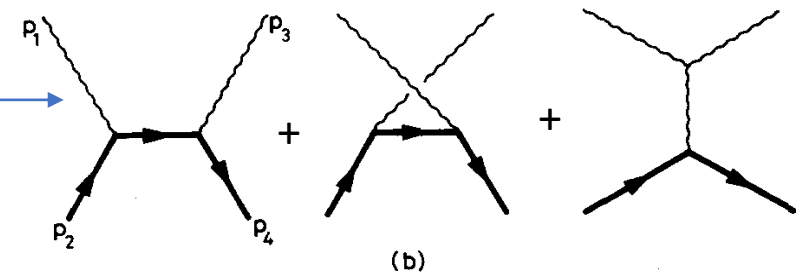
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[PRC 94, 054902 (2016)]

$$G_{inel} = \int \frac{d(Q^2)}{Q^2} \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{2\pi} \int dy \mathcal{P}(y)$$

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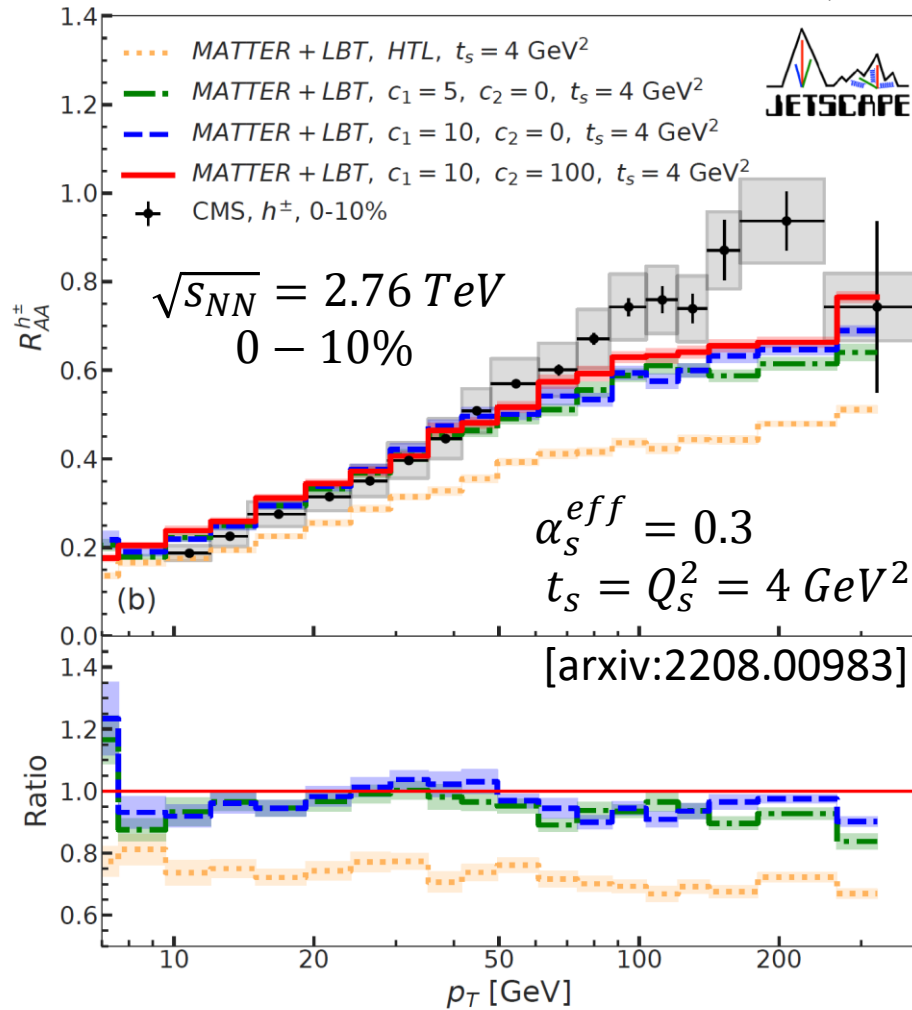
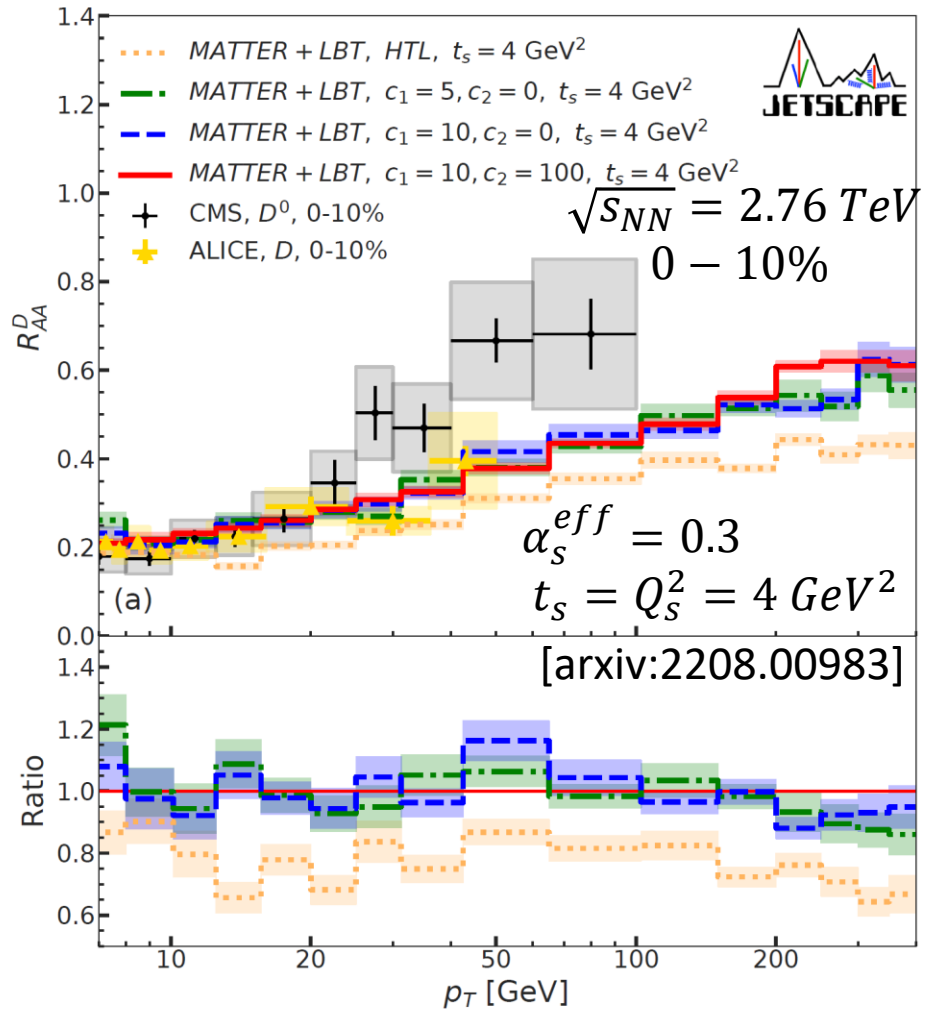
$X$  is the **leading** (highest energy) hadron in **a jet**  
(which can be of an identified species or not)

- If an A-A collisions was the same as p-p collisions, then we can rescale the p-p collision by the  $N_{bin}$  binary collisions  $\Rightarrow R_{AA}^X \rightarrow 1$ .
- $R_{AA} < 1$  stems from two different sources:
  - Initial state effects: nuclear modifications to the parton distribution function.
  - Final state effects: creation of the QGP through which partons loose energy and the jet is quenched.

# About the QGP medium simulations

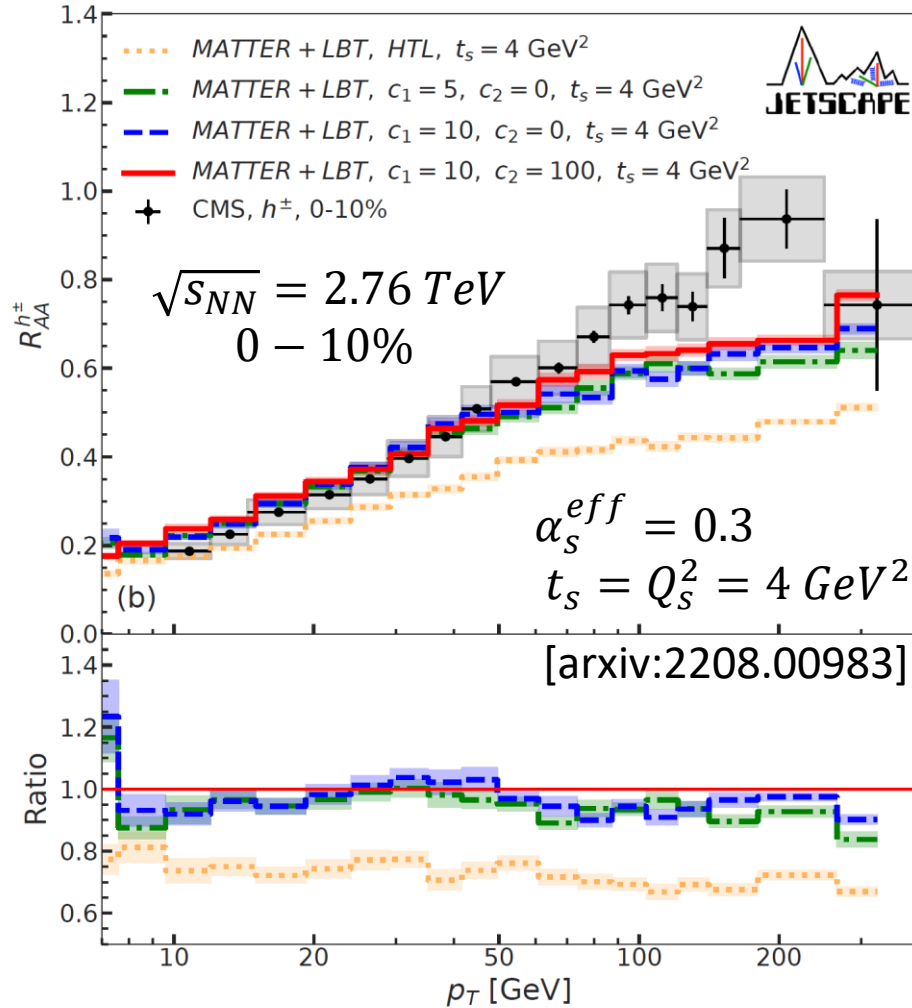
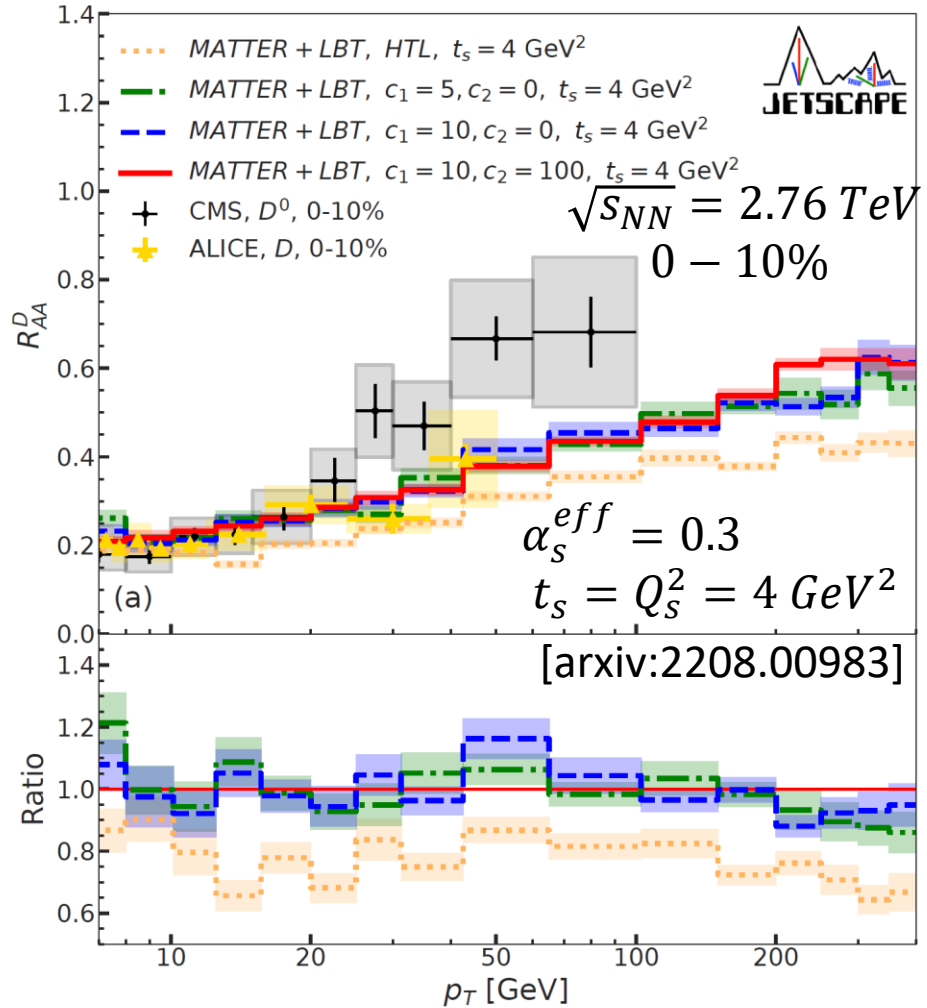
- Using *maximum a posteriori* parameters of a Bayesian analysis using soft hadronic observables, QGP evolution profiles were generated for jet energy loss simulations.  
[NPA 967 67 (2017); 1804.06469]
- Event-by-event simulations consist of
  - TRENTO initial conditions
  - 2+1D Pre-equilibrium dynamics (free-streaming)
  - 2+1D 2<sup>nd</sup> order dissipative hydrodynamics of QGP
  - UrQMD simulation

# $R_{AA}$ sensitivity to the presence of $\hat{q}(Q^2)$



- In all cases, parameters were tuned using light flavor jets and charged hadron  $R_{AA}$

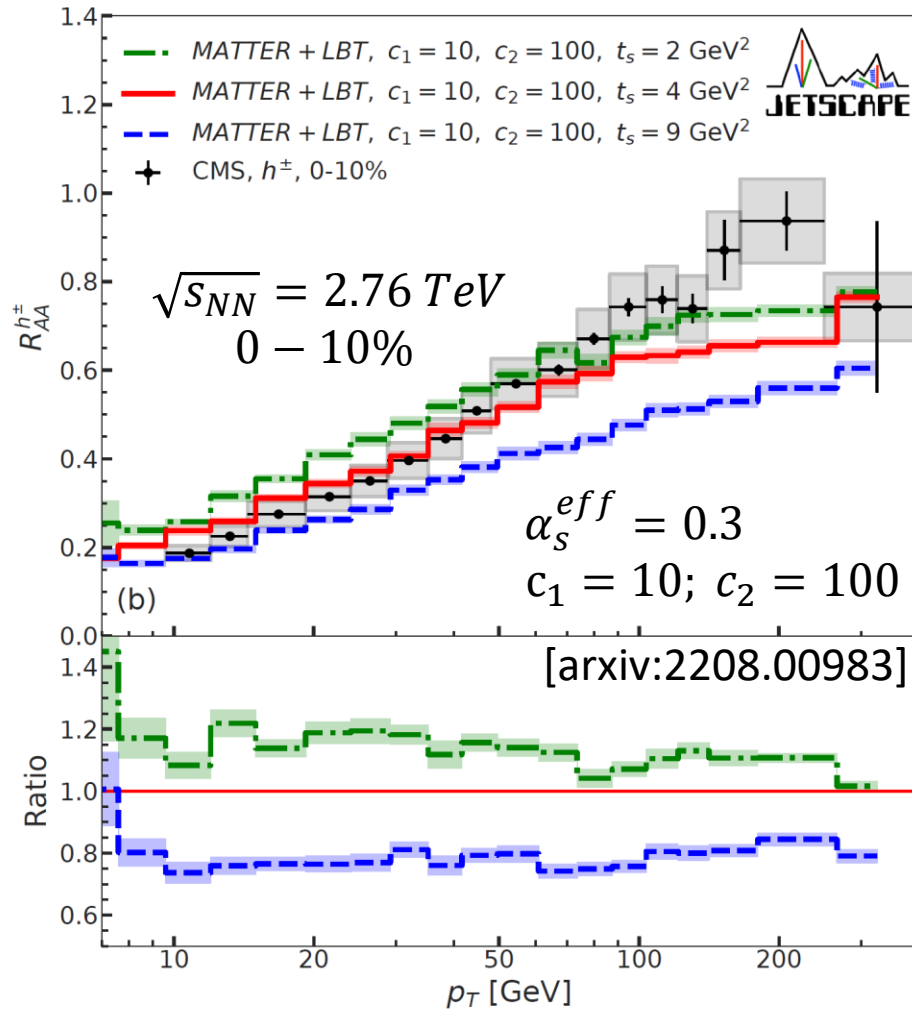
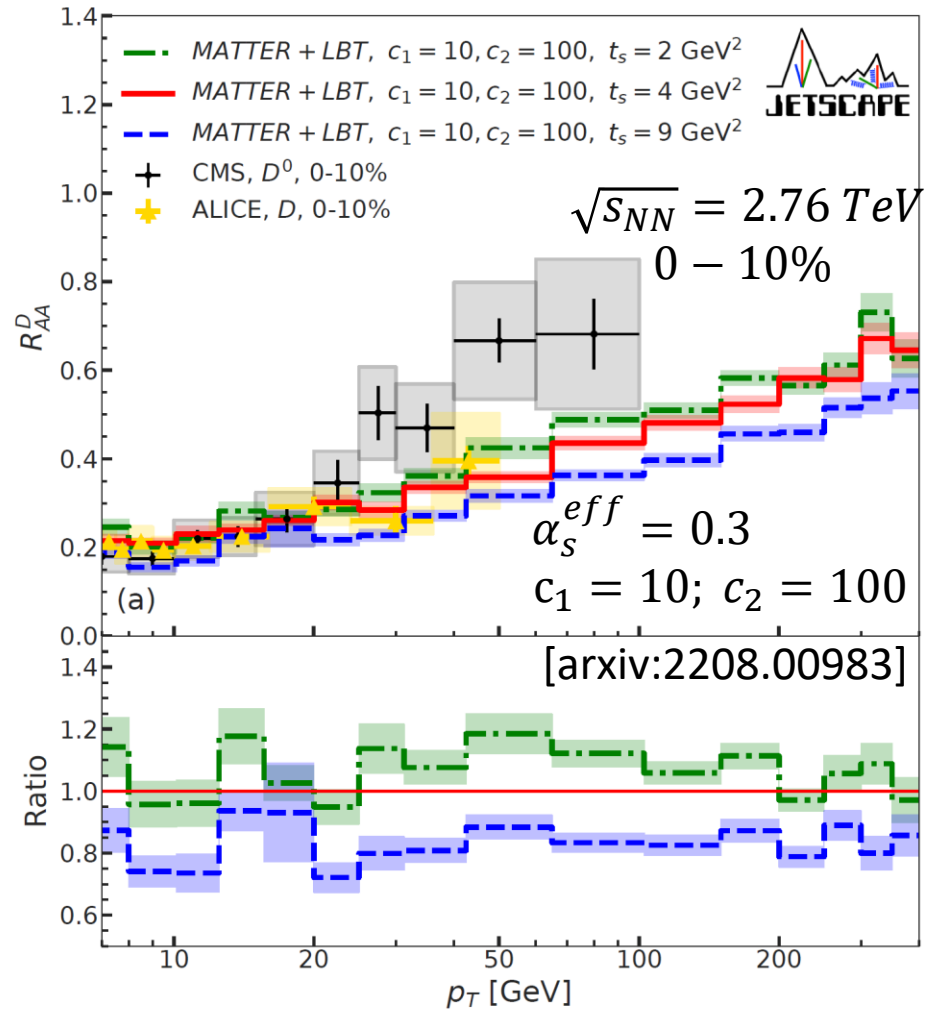
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- The **orange** curve is for  $\hat{q}_{HTL}$  only.
- Red, green, and blue curves use different values of  $c_1$  &  $c_2$  in  $\hat{q}(Q^2)$ . **Same  $\hat{q}$**  for light and heavy quarks
- Beyond a threshold, ( $c_1 = 5$  and  $c_2 = 0$ ) a low sensitivity to  $c_1$  &  $c_2$  is seen.

$$\hat{q}(Q^2) = \hat{q}_{HTL} \frac{c_0}{1 + c_1 \ln^2(Q^2) + c_2 \ln^4(Q^2)}$$

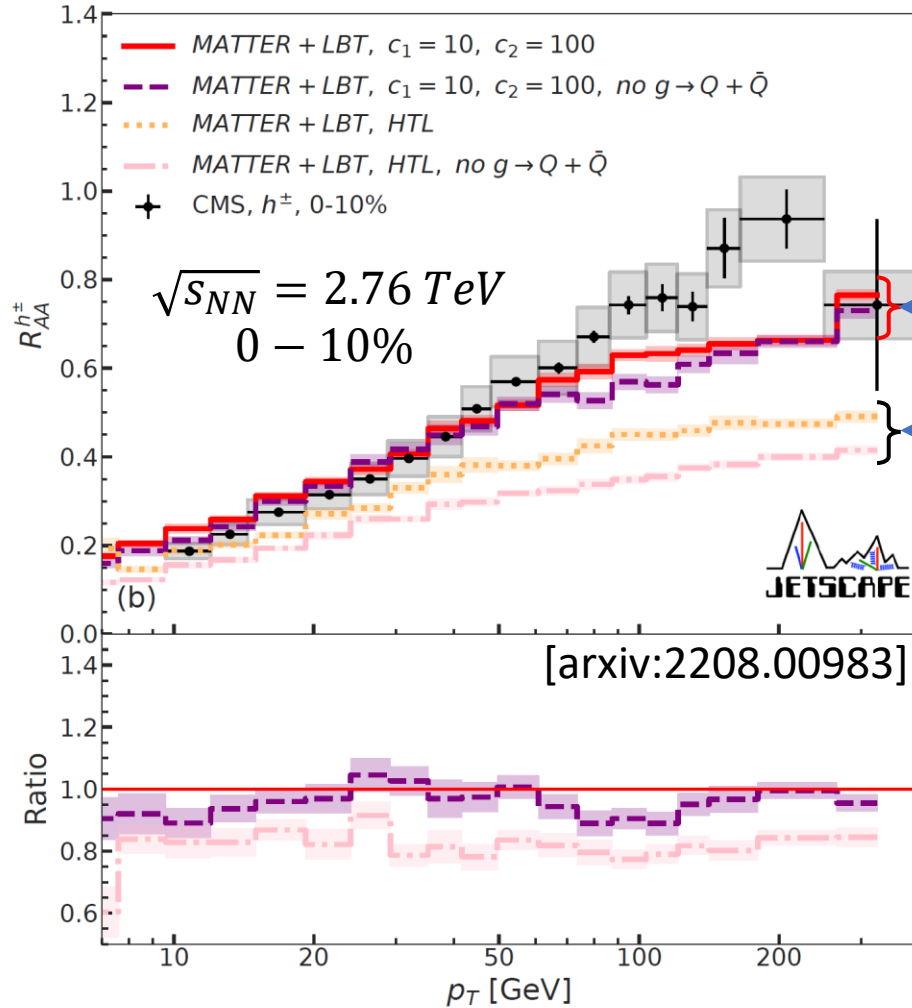
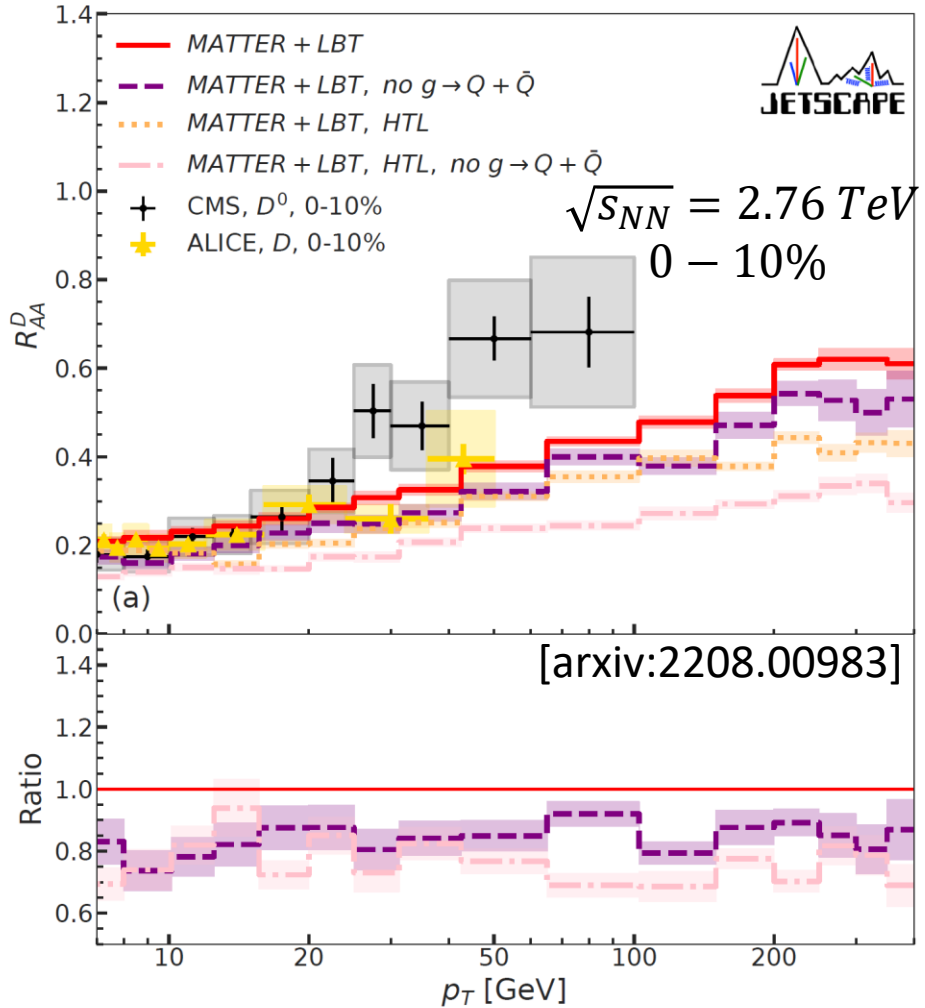
# $R_{AA}$ sensitivity to the switching virtuality $Q_s^2$ between MATTER & LBT



- Green curve:  $Q_s^2 = 2 \text{ GeV}^2$
- Red curve:  $Q_s^2 = 4 \text{ GeV}^2$
- Blue curve:  $Q_s^2 = 9 \text{ GeV}^2$

- The same  $\hat{q}(Q^2)$  used for light and heavy flavor  $\Rightarrow$  similar sensitivity to the switching virtuality  $t_s = Q_s^2$ .
- Will explore how the HF mass scale  $M$  and virtuality scale  $Q^2$  affects  $\hat{q}$  together, i.e.  $\hat{q}(Q^2, M)$ .

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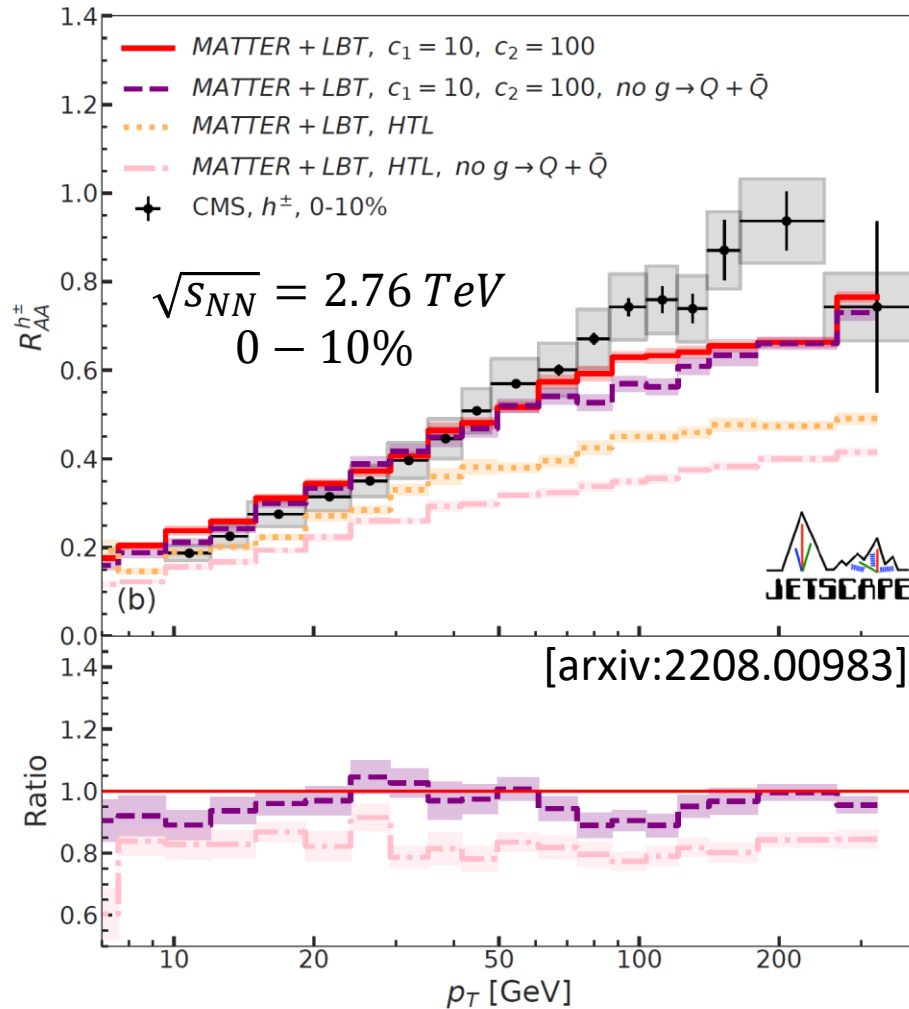
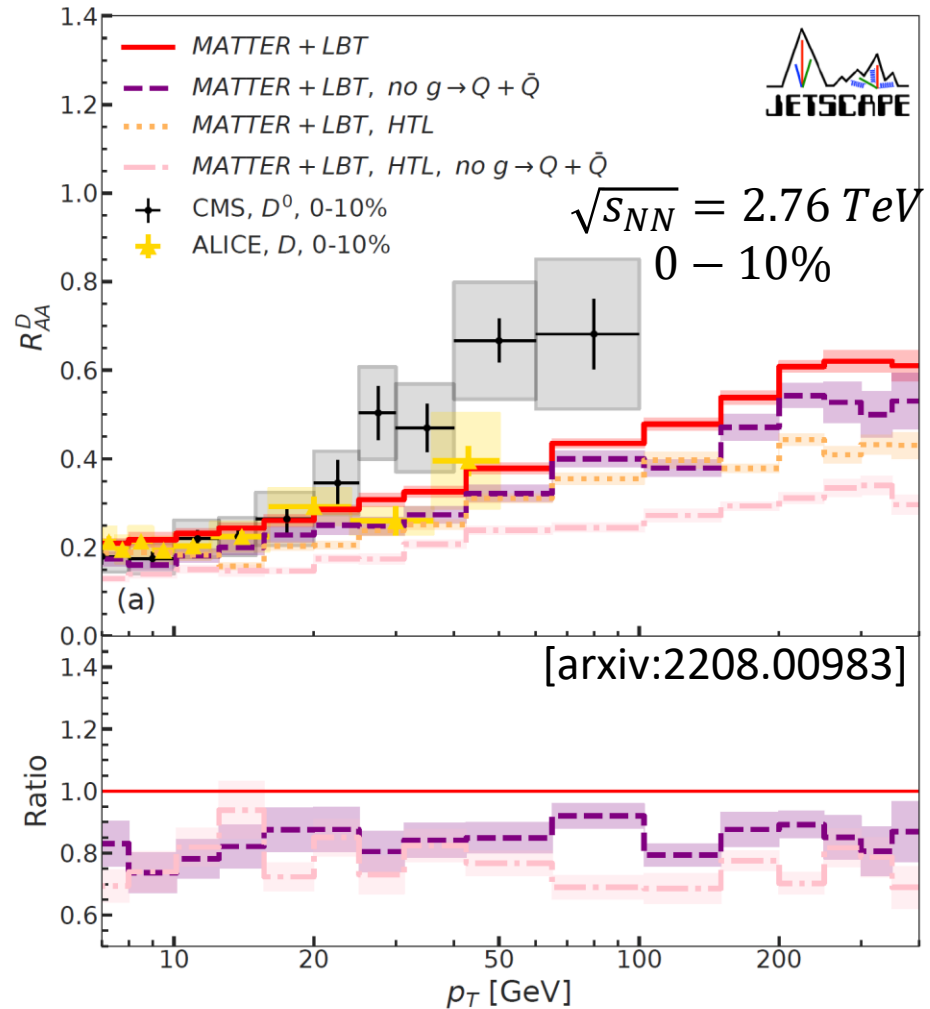
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Ratio: relative importance of  $g \rightarrow Q + \bar{Q}$  for  $\hat{q}(Q^2)$  and  $\hat{q}_{HTL}$ .

- D-meson  $R_{AA}$  is sensitive to  $g \rightarrow Q + \bar{Q}$  at the  $\sim 20\%$  level for both parametrizations of  $\hat{q}$  (i.e.,  $\hat{q}(Q^2)$  and  $\hat{q}_{HTL}$ )

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- To explore further: (i)  $\hat{q}(Q^2, M)$  and, also,  
(ii)  $\mathcal{P}_{g \rightarrow Q + \bar{Q}}(y, Q^2, M)$  beyond the phenomenological approach used here.
- **Key message:** future simulations of **charm** energy loss **must** include  $g \rightarrow Q + \bar{Q}$ !

# Conclusion and outlook

- A multi-scale formalism, such as that present inside the JETSCAPE framework, allows for a simultaneous description of light flavor and heavy flavor energy loss inside QGP.
- Realistic simulations of charm energy loss **must include** dynamical generation of heavy quarks via  $g \rightarrow Q + \bar{Q}$ .
- Future physics improvement for heavy flavors energy loss to include:
  - A multiscale-dependent  $\hat{q}(Q^2, M)$
  - A more realistic splitting function for  $g \rightarrow Q + \bar{Q}$
  - Including additional energy loss physics, such as longitudinal energy loss ( $\hat{e}, \hat{e}_2$ )
  - Explore bottom quark energy loss
- A Bayesian analysis including heavy flavors is ongoing...



Thank you

# Higher Twist Energy Loss for Heavy Quarks

- **MATTER** (The **M**odular **A**ll **T**wist **T**ransverse-scattering **E**lastic-drag and **R**adiation) valid for High E, High  $Q^2$ 
  - Virtuality-ordered shower with splittings above  $Q^2 \gg Q_{switch}^2$ . This is **unlike** Pythia as the daughter  $Q_d^2$  is found before  $\theta$  between the daughters is known  $\Rightarrow \theta_{d_1} > \dots > \theta_{d_n}$  is not strictly ensured.
  - Example:  $Q \rightarrow Q + g$

$$q^\mu = p_q^\mu + p_g^\mu$$

$$\Rightarrow p_q^\mu = \left( (1-y)q^+, \frac{\vec{l}_\perp^2 + M^2 + Q_q^2}{2(1-y)q^+}, -\vec{l}_\perp \right)$$

Conservation of the “-” component of the 4-vector

$$l_\perp^2 = y(1-y)Q^2 - y^2M^2 - (1-y)Q_g^2 - yQ_q^2$$

$$\Rightarrow p_g^\mu = \left( yq^+, \frac{\vec{l}_\perp^2 + Q_g^2}{2yq^+}, \vec{l}_\perp \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta_g = \arctan \left( \frac{l_\perp}{p^z} \right) = \arctan \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}l_\perp}{yq^+ - \frac{l_\perp^2 + Q_g^2}{2yq^+}} \right)$$

# Linear Boltzmann Transport for Heavy Quarks

- Valid for high E, assuming particles are on-shell
- Solves the time-ordered evolution for the phase space distribution function

$$p_1 \cdot \partial f(x, p_1) = \mathcal{C}_{el} + \mathcal{G}_{inel}$$

- The LO pQCD  $1 + 2 \leftrightarrow 3 + 4$  scattering is included in  $\mathcal{C}_{el}$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{C}_{el} &= -\frac{1}{2p_1^0} \int \frac{d^3 p_2}{2p_2^0 (2\pi)^3} \int \frac{d^3 p_3}{2p_3^0 (2\pi)^3} \int \frac{d^3 p_4}{2p_4^0 (2\pi)^3} f(p_1) f(p_2) |\bar{\mathcal{M}}|^2 [1 \pm f(p_3)][1 \pm f(p_4)] (2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)}(p + k - l - q) \\ &+ \frac{1}{2p_1^0} \int \frac{d^3 p_2}{2p_2^0 (2\pi)^3} \int \frac{d^3 p_3}{2p_3^0 (2\pi)^3} \int \frac{d^3 p_4}{2p_4^0 (2\pi)^3} f(p_3) f(p_4) |\bar{\mathcal{M}}|^2 [1 \pm f(p_1)][1 \pm f(p_2)] (2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)}(p + k - l - q) \end{aligned}$$

# About the QGP medium simulations

- MAP from Bernhard et al. **NPA 967 67 (2017); 1804.06469** used for QGP evolution profiles
- Event-by-event simulations consist of
  - TRENTO initial conditions
  - 2+1D Pre-equilibrium dynamics (free-streaming)
  - 2+1D 2<sup>nd</sup> order dissipative hydrodynamics of QGP

