

Coherent gluon radiation beyond the leading-log^{1,2}

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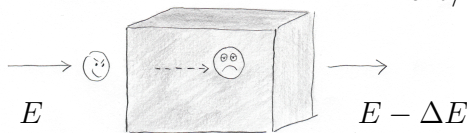
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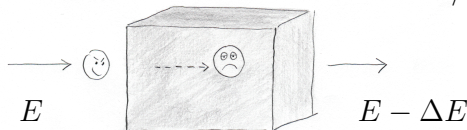
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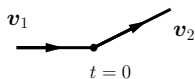
Main message: fully coherent energy loss (FCEL) dominates for large- E :

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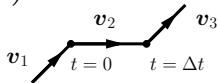
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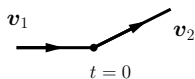


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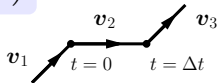
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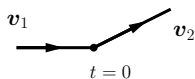
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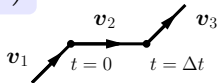
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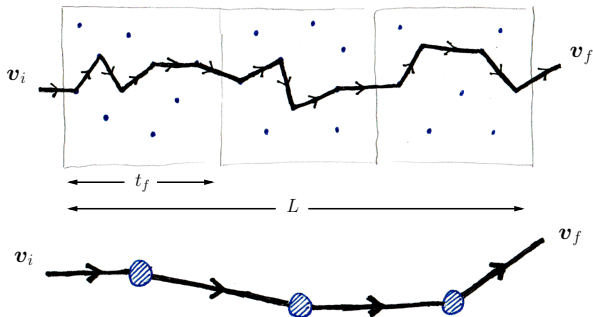
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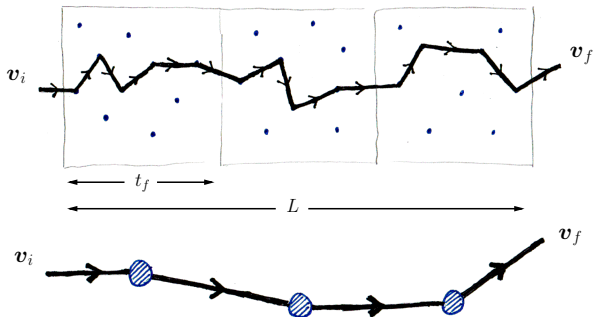
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QED: [LPM (1953-6)]

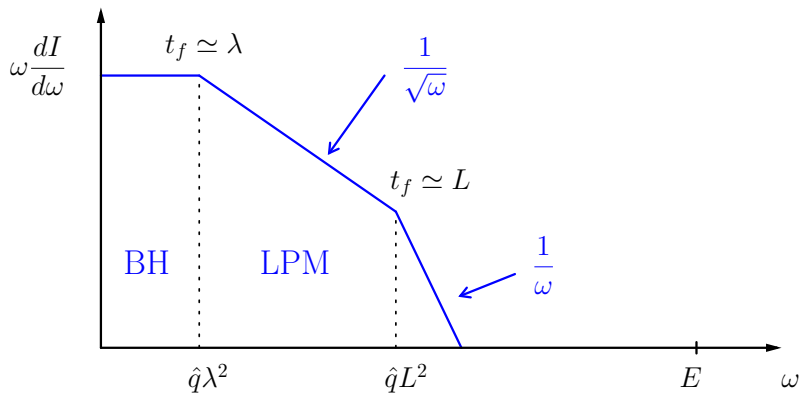
QCD: [BDMPS-Z (1996)]

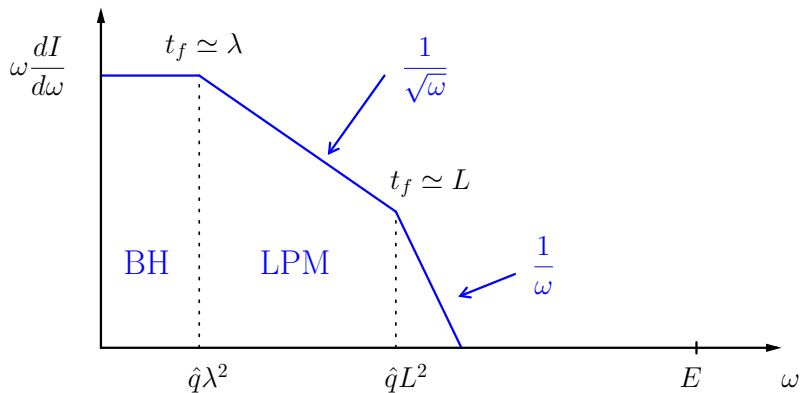
Regimes of radiation

$$dI \equiv \frac{d\sigma_{\text{rad}}}{\sigma_{\text{el}}} = \left(\frac{\sum |\mathcal{M}_{\text{rad}}|^2}{\sum |\mathcal{M}_{\text{el}}|^2} \right) \frac{dk^+ d^2\mathbf{k}_\perp}{2k^+ (2\pi)^3}$$

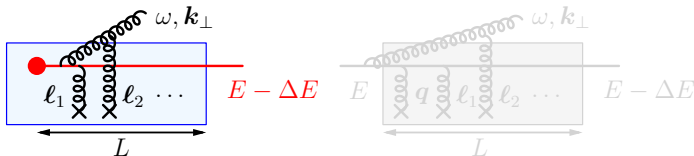
- **Bethe-Heitler (BH):** $t_f \ll \lambda$
⇒ each scattering centre acts as an indep. source
- **Landau-Pomeranchuk-Migdal (LPM):** $\lambda \ll t_f \ll L$
⇒ group of t_f/λ scattering centres acts as single radiator
- **Fully coherent energy loss (FCEL):** $t_f \gg L$
⇒ *all* scattering centres in the medium act coherently

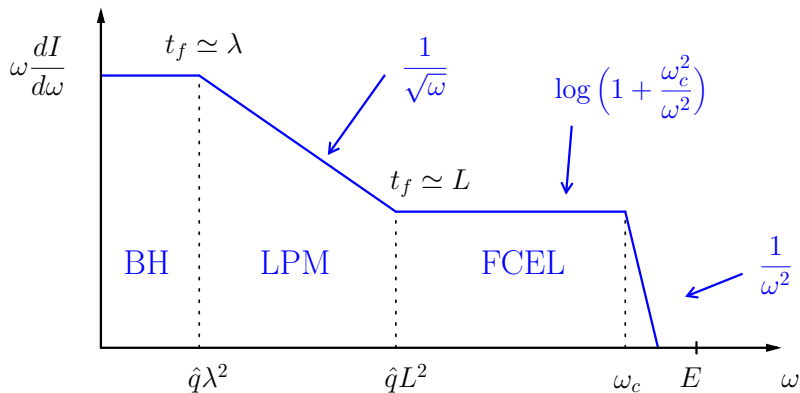
... but which one is most important??



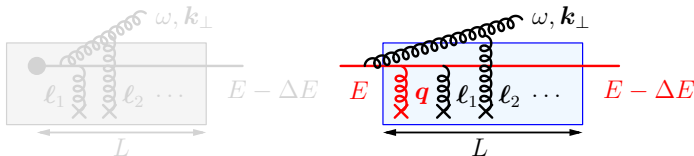


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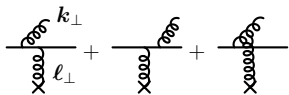


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THE FULLY COHERENT REGIME

$t_f \gg L \Rightarrow$ entire medium acts as effective scatterer:



$$\omega \frac{dI}{d\omega d^2\mathbf{k}_\perp} = N_c \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi^2} \frac{\ell_\perp^2}{k_\perp^2 (\mathbf{k}_\perp - \mathbf{l}_\perp)^2}$$

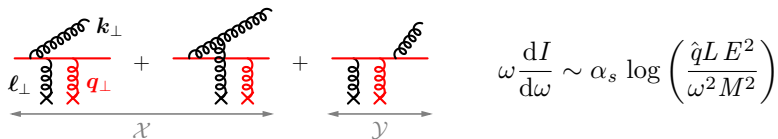
[Gunion, Bertsch (1982)]

$$\Rightarrow \omega \frac{dI}{d\omega} \sim \alpha_s \int_{Q_1}^{Q_2} \frac{dk_\perp}{k_\perp} = \alpha_s \log \frac{Q_2}{Q_1}$$

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Incoming parton, undergoes hard process (q_{\perp})

and *multiple* soft scatterings ($\ell_{\perp} \sim \sqrt{\hat{q}L} \ll q_{\perp}$)


$$\omega \frac{dI}{d\omega} \sim \alpha_s \log \left(\frac{\hat{q}L E^2}{\omega^2 M^2} \right)$$

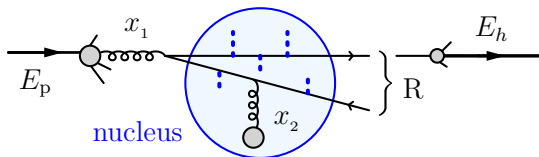
- $|\mathcal{X}|^2$ and $|\mathcal{Y}|^2$ cancel out in the **induced** spectrum $dI/d\omega$
- Interference terms, $\text{Re}(\mathcal{X}\mathcal{Y}^*)$, do not cancel in the **induced** spectrum!
- Gluon spectrum computed rigorously in several formalisms:

Peigné, Arleo, Kolevatov [1402.1671]

Liou, Mueller [1402.1647]

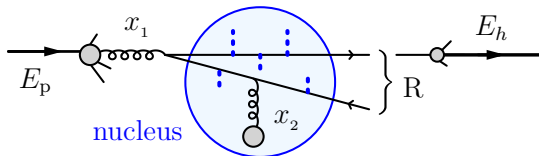
Munier, Peigné, Petreska [1603.01028]

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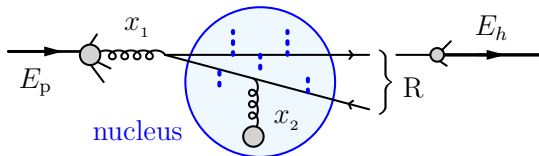
Leading-log accuracy: *Pointlike dijet approx. (PDA)*

$$Q_1 = xM \ll k_\perp \ll \sqrt{\hat{q}L} = Q_2$$

Radiation cannot probe $Q\bar{Q}$ dijet constituents
 $x \equiv \frac{\omega}{E}$; $M^2 = x_1 x_2 s$

Wavelength *can* resolve medium-induced sep. from broadening: $\ell_\perp^2 = \hat{q}L$

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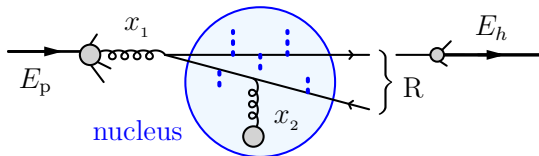
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Colour prefactor stems from *interference* between initial state and final state radiation:

$$\begin{aligned} 2T_{R_1}^a T_R^a &= (T_{R_1}^a)^2 + (T_R^a)^2 - (T_R^a - T_{R_1}^a)^2 \\ &= C_1 + C_R - C_2, \end{aligned}$$

where the T^a are Hermitian generators of SU(3).

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Also applies for $2 \rightarrow 1$ type processes, where R is the colour rep. of the outgoing parton:

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$$qq \rightarrow q : F_c = C_F + C_F - N_c = -1/N_c \quad (< 0!)$$

Parametric dependence

☞ **LPM energy loss** (small formation time $t_f \lesssim L$)

$$\Delta E_{\text{LPM}} \propto \alpha_s \hat{q} L^2$$

- hadron production in nuclear DIS
- parton suddenly accelerated (e.g. jet in QGP)

☞ **Coherent energy loss** (large formation time $t_f \gg L$)

$$\Delta E_{\text{FCEL}} \propto \alpha_s F_c \frac{\sqrt{\hat{q}L}}{M_\perp} E$$

- needs colour in both initial & final state (otherwise $F_c = 0$)
- important at all energies, in particular large rapidity
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Exercise: for $qg \rightarrow qg$, what's the probability to end as a 15-plet?

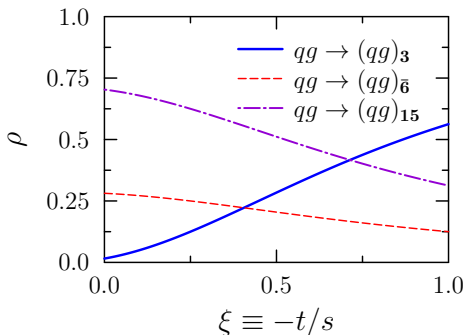
(expressions for \mathcal{M} and \mathbb{P}_R can be found in backup slides)

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Beyond leading-log accuracy



final parton pair no longer 'pointlike,' irrep *not* preserved

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The equation shows the vacuum matrix element $\mathcal{M}_{qg \rightarrow qg}^{\text{vac}}$ is equivalent to the sum of three Feynman diagrams. Each diagram features a red horizontal line representing a quark, with an arrow pointing to the right. The diagrams are separated by plus signs. The first diagram has a wavy red line (gluon) attached to the quark line, with a vertex labeled P_3 above and P_4 below. The second diagram has a wavy red line attached to the quark line, with a vertex labeled P_3 above and P_4 below. The third diagram has two wavy red lines attached to the quark line, with vertices labeled P_3 above and P_4 below.

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The diagrams are Feynman diagrams for the process $qg \rightarrow qg$. Each diagram is enclosed in a red rectangular box. The top two rows of diagrams are separated by a plus sign. The first row contains three diagrams, and the second row contains three diagrams enclosed in large parentheses, preceded by a plus sign and a factor of 2. Each diagram shows a dashed line (quark) and a wavy line (gluon) interacting via a loop of a quark or gluon. The external lines have arrows indicating the direction of particle flow.

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$$C_n(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{K}) = \frac{2}{|\mathcal{M}|^2} \left\{ \text{diagram with rescatterings} + \dots \right\}$$

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$$\frac{dI}{dx} = \Phi_{\alpha\beta} S(x)_{\beta\alpha} = \text{Tr} \{ \Phi \cdot S(x) \}$$

colour decompose the hard amplitude: (red dots can be any parton)

$$\mathcal{M}_{12 \rightarrow 34} = \sum_{\alpha} \nu_{\alpha} \langle \alpha |, \quad \text{where } \langle \alpha | \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{d_{\alpha}}} \left(\alpha \right)$$

colour indices only
kinematics, spin, flavour

colour density matrix $\Phi_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{\text{tr}_d(\nu_{\alpha}\nu_{\beta}^*)}{\text{tr}_c \text{tr}_d |\mathcal{M}|^2}$

soft radiation matrix

$$S(x)_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi x} \frac{2}{\sqrt{d_{\alpha}d_{\beta}}} \left(\mathcal{L}(\xi) \left(\alpha \right) \left(\beta \right) + \mathcal{L}(\bar{\xi}) \left(\alpha \right) \left(\beta \right) \right)$$

Reminder: $\mathcal{L}(\xi) \simeq \log \left(1 + \xi^2 \frac{\hat{q}L_A}{x^2 m_{\perp}^2} \right) - \log \left(1 + \xi^2 \frac{\hat{q}L_P}{x^2 m_{\perp}^2} \right)$

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(without probing its spatial size \rightarrow *non-Abelian feature*)

E.g. underlying LO process $qg \rightarrow qg$:

$3 \oplus \bar{6} \oplus 15$

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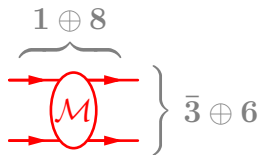
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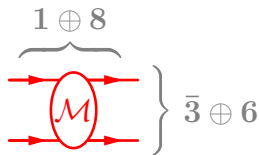
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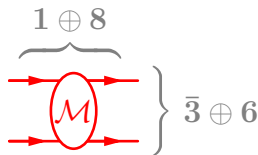
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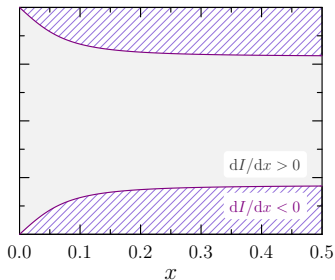
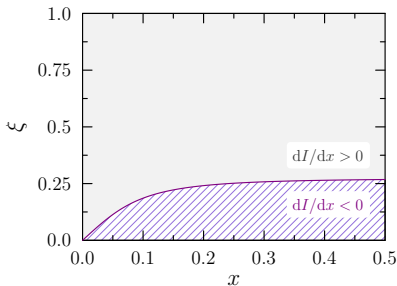
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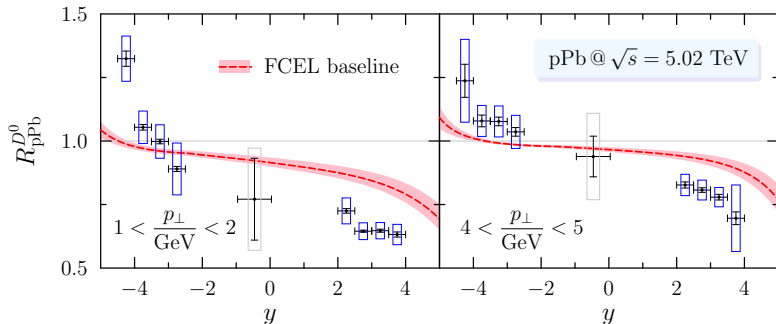
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$3 \otimes 8$	3	$\frac{1}{C_F} \begin{array}{c} \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \end{array}$	N_c	C_F
	$\bar{6}$	$\frac{1}{2} \begin{array}{c} \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \end{array} - \frac{N_c + 1}{2} P_3 + \begin{array}{c} \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \end{array}$	$\frac{1}{2} N_c(N_c + 1)(N_c - 2)$	$C_F + N_c - 1$
	15	$\frac{1}{2} \begin{array}{c} \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \end{array} + \frac{N_c - 1}{2} P_3 - \begin{array}{c} \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \end{array}$	$\frac{1}{2} N_c(N_c - 1)(N_c + 2)$	$C_F + N_c + 1$
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	8_s	$\frac{N_c}{N_c^2 - 4} \begin{array}{c} \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \end{array}$	$N_c^2 - 1$	N_c
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	27	$\left(\frac{1}{2} \begin{array}{c} \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \end{array} + 2 \begin{array}{c} \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \end{array} \right) \left(\frac{1}{2} \left[\begin{array}{c} \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \end{array} \right] - P_{8_s} - P_1 \right)$	$\frac{1}{4} N_c^2 (N_c - 1)(N_c + 3)$	$2(N_c + 1)$
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$q\bar{q} \rightarrow q'\bar{q}'$	\mathcal{D}	$\frac{\xi^2 + \bar{\xi}^2}{2}$	$\mathbf{1}$ $\mathbf{8}$	0 $\frac{1}{2} \mathcal{D}$
$q\bar{q} \rightarrow q\bar{q}$	\mathcal{E}_s + \mathcal{E}_t	$\frac{\xi^2 + \bar{\xi}^2}{2} + \frac{1 + \bar{\xi}^2}{2\xi^2} + \frac{\bar{\xi}^2}{N_c \xi}$	$\mathbf{1}$ $\mathbf{8}$	$C_F \mathcal{E}_t$ $\frac{1}{2} (\mathcal{E}_s - \frac{1}{N_c} \mathcal{E}_t)$
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$gg \rightarrow q\bar{q}$	\mathcal{H}	$(\xi^2 + \bar{\xi}^2) \left(\frac{C_F}{\xi \bar{\xi}} - N_c \right)$	$\mathbf{1}$ $\mathbf{8}_a$ $\mathbf{8}_s$	$\frac{\sqrt{N_c - 1}}{2\sqrt{N_c}} \mathcal{H}$ $\frac{1}{2} (\bar{\xi} - \xi) \frac{\sqrt{N_c}}{\sqrt{2}} \mathcal{H}$ $\frac{\sqrt{N_c^2 - 4}}{2\sqrt{2N_c}} \mathcal{H}$

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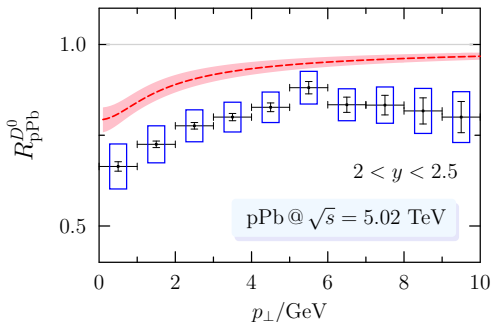
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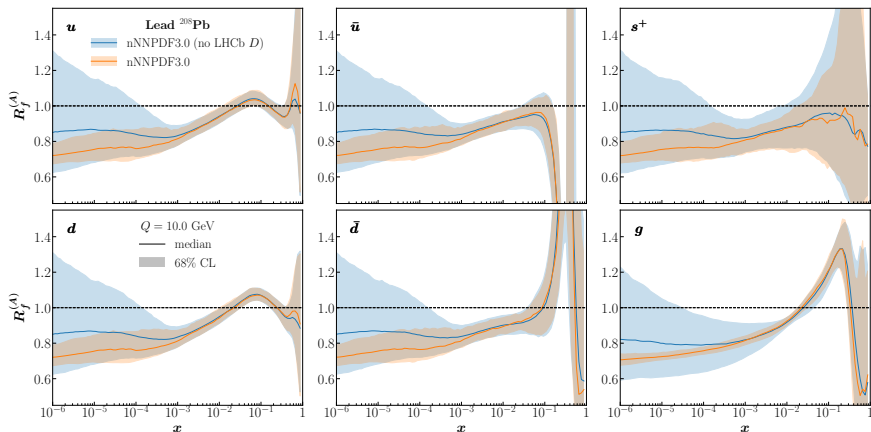
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nPDFs w/ and w/o LHCb D -meson data

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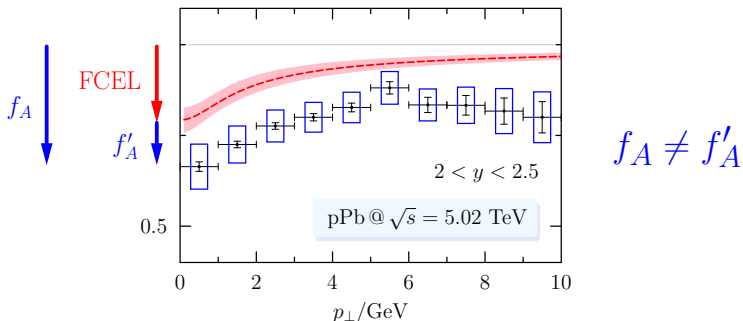


- Huge uncertainty on gluon shadowing
- Strong constraints given by forward D -meson data

nNNPDF3.0 [2201.12363]

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$$\text{Nuclear modification @ LHC: } R_{\text{pA}}^h(y, p_{\perp}; \sqrt{s}) = \frac{1}{A} \frac{d\sigma_{\text{pA}}^h}{dy dp_{\perp}} \bigg/ \frac{d\sigma_{\text{pp}}^h}{dy dp_{\perp}}$$



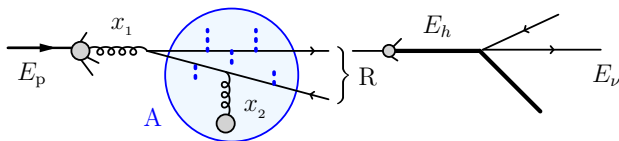
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- Given new info (data/theory), nPDFs can be **reweighted**

[work in progress w/ Arleo, Watanabe]

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Event generators for extensive air showers, e.g. SYBILL [1806.04140]

atm. neutrinos = main background to astrophysical ν 's

Reminder:
$$\Delta E_{\text{FCEL}} \propto \alpha_s F_c \frac{\sqrt{\hat{q}L}}{M_\perp} E \sim A^{1/6}$$

\Rightarrow FCEL should also be significant for light ions!

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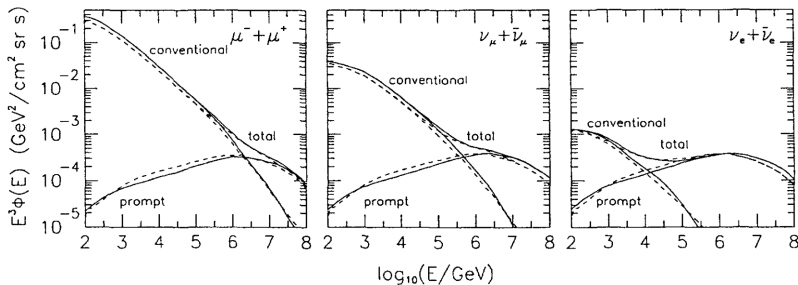
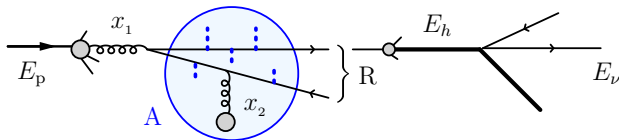
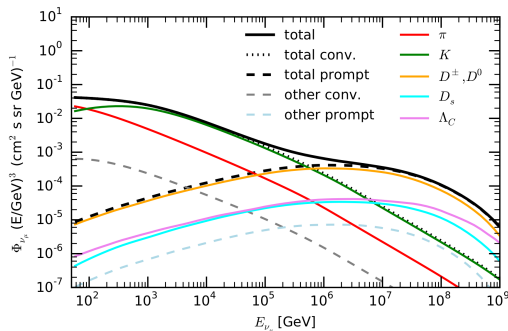
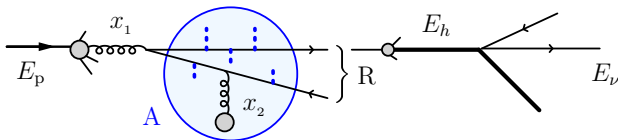


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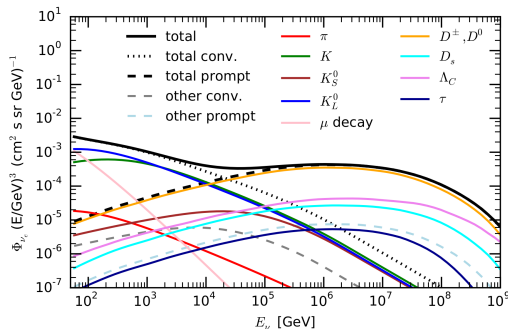
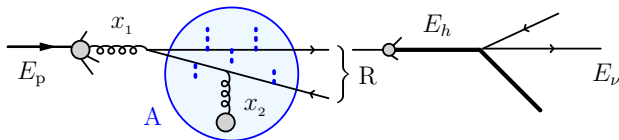
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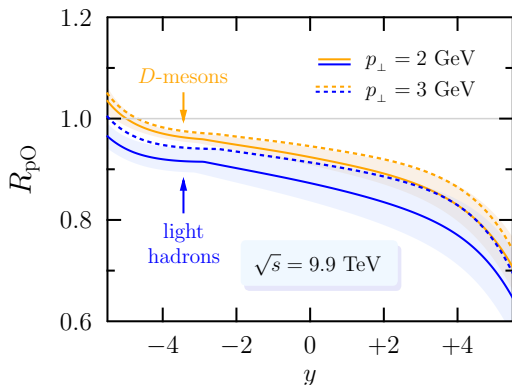
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OO and pO @ LHC?

Possible opportunity at the LHC? Foreseen collision energy, $\sqrt{s} = 9.9$ TeV
 \Rightarrow CR proton energy $E_p = 5.2 \times 10^7$ GeV in the oxygen rest frame.

CERN workshop [2103.01939]



physics of air showers is related to particle prod. at *forward* rapidities!

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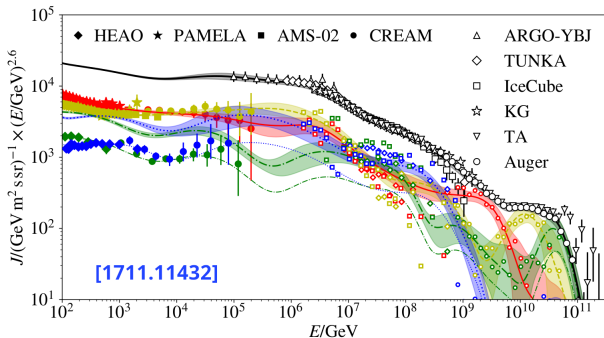
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Depletion of neutrinos by FCEL

Modification factor:

Arleo, GJ, Peigné [2112.10791]

... focus on prompt ν 's: (h =charm)

$$Z_{\text{pc}}(E) \propto \int_0^1 \frac{dx_F}{x_F} \Phi_P\left(\frac{E}{x_F}\right) \frac{d\sigma_{\text{pA}}^c}{dx_F}\left(x_F, \frac{E}{x_F}\right) \equiv \Omega(E)$$

FCEL rescales $x_F \rightarrow x_F/z$ with prob. $\mathcal{F}(z)$ $\left(x = \frac{1}{1+x}\right)$

$$\Rightarrow R_\nu(E) \equiv \frac{\Omega^{\text{FCEL}}(E)}{\Omega(E)} = \int_0^1 dz \mathcal{F}(z) \frac{\Omega(E/z)}{\Omega(E)} < 1$$

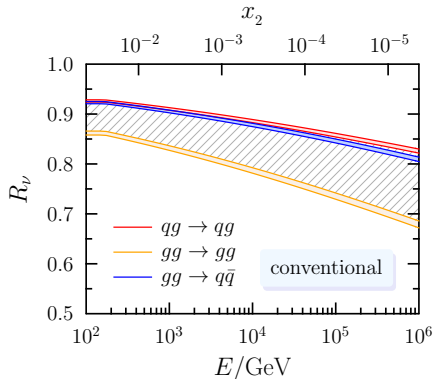
Ideal case: $\Phi_P(E) \propto E^{-\gamma}$ and $d\sigma_{\text{pp}}^c/dx_F$ fnc. of x_F only

$$\Rightarrow R_\nu = \int_0^1 dz z^\gamma \mathcal{F}(z) \quad \text{depends on } E \text{ via } \hat{q}(x_2) \text{ w/ } x_2 \sim \frac{M_{c\bar{c}}^2}{4m_p E}$$

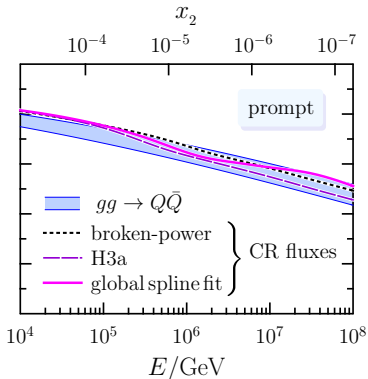
Depletion of neutrinos by FCEL

Modification factor: $R_\nu \approx \int_0^1 dz z^\gamma \mathcal{F}(z)$ [Arleo, GJ, Peigné \[2112.10791\]](#)

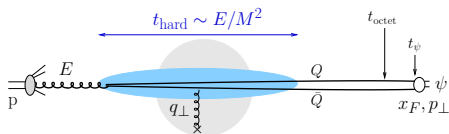
$\gamma \in [2.7, 3.6]$ encompasses more realistic Φ_p and $d\sigma_{pp}^c$!



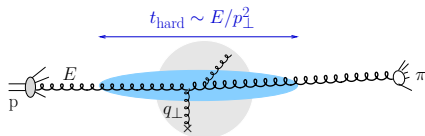
Conv: $h = \{\pi^\pm, K^\pm, K_L^0\}$



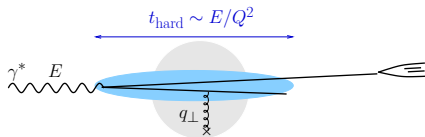
Prompt: $h = \{D^\pm, D^0, D_s, \Lambda_c\}$



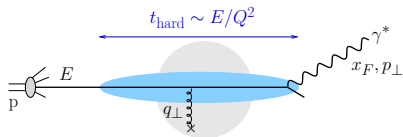
(a)



(b)



(c)



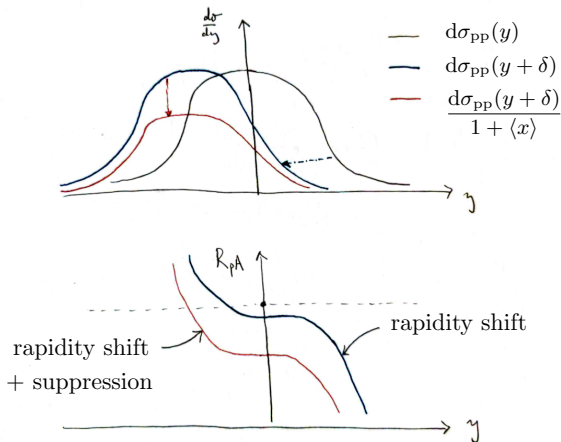
(d)

$2 \rightarrow 2$ kinematics in nucleus rest frame:

parton pair invariant mass reads $M^2 = \frac{m_{\perp}^2}{\xi(1-\xi)}$ with $m_{\perp}^2 \equiv K_{\perp}^2 + m^2$

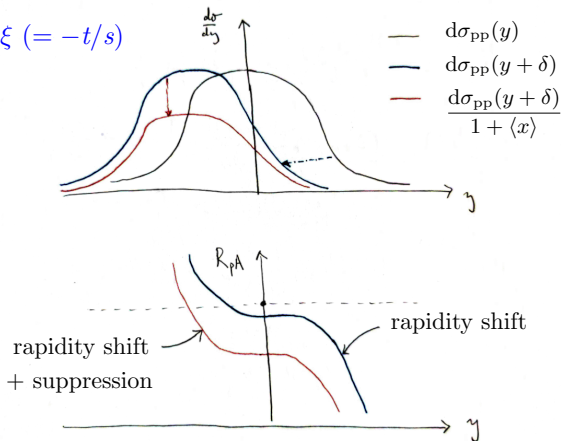
momentum fractions of incoming partons: $x_1 = \frac{m_{\perp} e^y}{\xi \sqrt{s}}$ and $x_2 = \frac{m_{\perp} e^{-y}}{\bar{\xi} \sqrt{s}}$

$$\frac{1}{A} \frac{d\sigma_{pA}(y)}{dy} = \int_0^{x_{\max}} \frac{dx}{1+x} \hat{\mathcal{P}}(x) \frac{d\sigma_{pp}(y+\delta)}{dy}; \quad \delta \equiv \log(1+x)$$

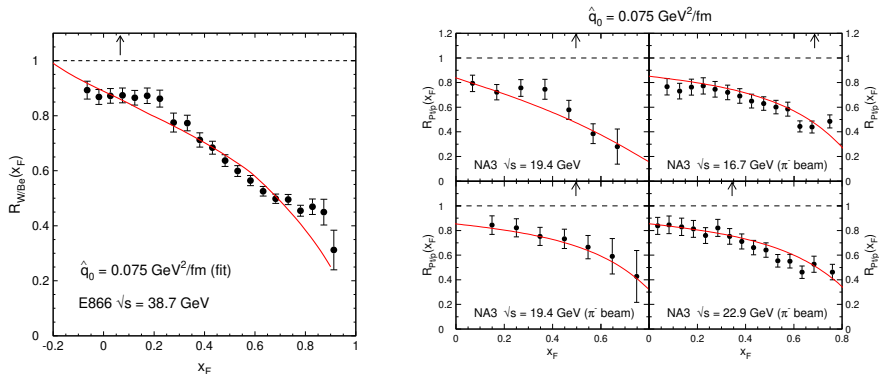


$$\frac{1}{A} \frac{d\sigma_{pA}^R(y)}{dy d\xi} = \int_0^{x_{\max}} \frac{dx}{1+x} \hat{\mathcal{P}}_R(x, \xi) \frac{d\sigma_{pp}^R(y+\delta)}{dy d\xi}; \quad \delta \equiv \log(1+x)$$

- Dijet in **colour state R**
- energy **fraction ξ** ($= -t/s$)



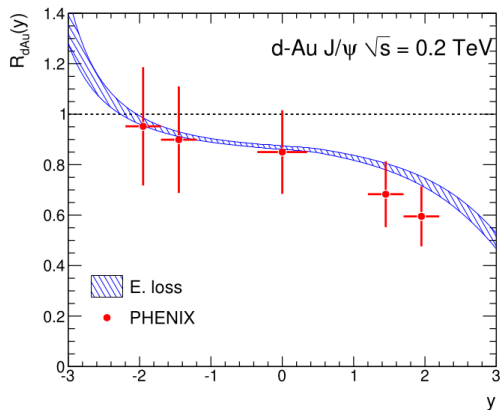
J/ ψ suppression, low energy pA



- good agreement w/ E866, NA3, NA60, ...
- no global nPDF fit can explain all these data!

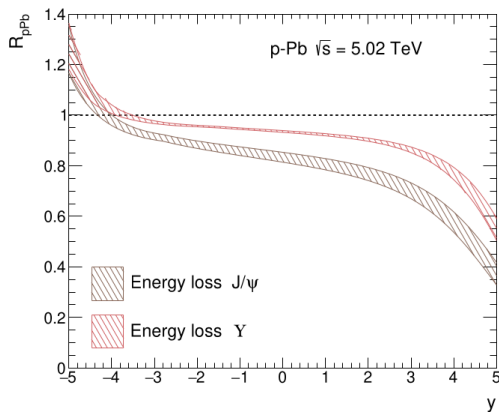
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J/ ψ suppression @ RHIC



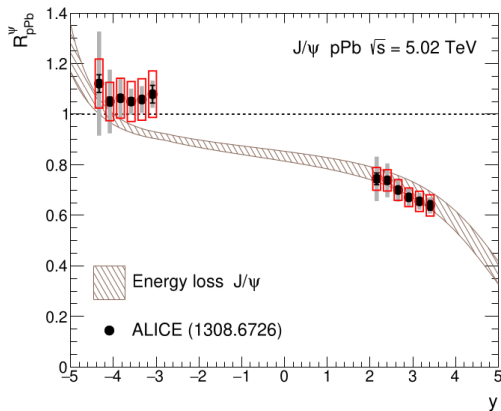
- nuclear modification, R_{pA} , reproduced within errors
- small uncertainty from varying model parameters

J/ ψ suppression @ LHC



- moderate effects ($\sim 20\%$) at mid-rapidity, smaller at $y < 0$
- **large influence** above $y \gtrsim 2 \dots 3$
- smaller suppression expected in the Υ channel

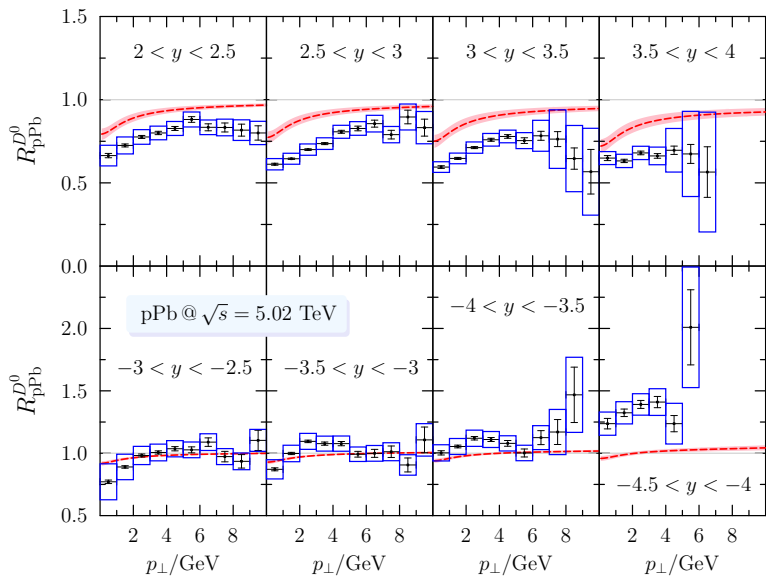
J/ψ suppression @ LHC



- very good agreement
- idea to disentangle FCEL from shadowing?

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FCEL comparison with LHCb data



Parametrize pp cross section

$$\frac{d\sigma_{PP}^H}{dy dp_{\perp}} = \mathcal{N}(p_{\perp}) \left[(1 - \chi)(1 - \sqrt{\chi}) \right]^n, \quad \chi \equiv 4 \left(\frac{p_{\perp}^2 + \mu_H^2}{s} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cosh y.$$

for both charm and bottom production, with parameters $\mu_D = 1.8$ GeV and $n = 4 \pm 1$, and $\mu_B = 5.3$ GeV and $n = 2.0 \pm 0.5$, respectively.

