# Detection of jet shower width & survival bias w/ photon-tagged jets



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## Jet substructure in heavy ions

Jet suppression well described over a broad kinematic range by variety of models





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Jet substructure techniques can provide additional model discrimination Probe medium resolution scale, where color coherence effects are relevant



Casalderry-Solana, Mehter-Tani, Salgado, Tywoniuk, PLB 725 (2013) 360



## Substructure with inclusive jets in heavy ions



- Increasing suppression for large angular separation
- Momentum sharing between prongs more imbalanced
- Are we seeing seeing the effect of the medium resolution scale?

momentum sharing fraction



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Bias is borne out by model calculations



Yu, Pablos, Tywoniuk, JHEP 21 (2021) 206

Applying experiment-like (post-quenching) jet  $p_T$  selection

- effective narrowing for both quenched & unquenched jets
- obscures physical broadening effect in this model



# Photon-tagged jets



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- Quark annihilation:  $q\bar{q} \rightarrow g\gamma$ -
- Compton scattering dominates in pp collisions
- At NLO parton-to-photon fragmentation ➡ can reduced with photon isolation
- Large but reducible background from photonic decays of hadrons, e.g.,  $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$

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Benefits for jet quenching studies

- Photon fixes recoiling parton kinematics (prior to jet quenching)
- Relatively pure sample of quark jets





### The CMS detector

### Granular, high resolution ECAL $\Delta E/E \approx 2\%$ for 100 GeV photons



Large acceptance tracking & calorimetry Inside magnet for precision particle flow recoil jets fully contained in  $|\eta| < 2$ 

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### Measurement setup

#### Photons ID based on

- H/E from HCAL & ECAL
- Shower shape  $(\sigma_{\eta\eta})$
- Isolation from calo & tracks



#### Isolated photons:

- $p_{\rm T}^{\gamma}$  > 100 GeV
- $|\eta^{\gamma}| < 1.44$



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Jet shower width & survival bias w/ gamma-jets

•  $p_{\rm T}^{\rm jet}/p_{\rm T}^{\gamma} > 0.8$ : only less quenched jets





$$z_g \equiv \frac{\min(p_{\mathrm{T},1}, p_{\mathrm{T},2})}{p_{\mathrm{T},1} + p_{\mathrm{T},2}} > z_{\mathrm{cut}} \left(\frac{R_g}{R}\right)^{\beta}$$

- We choose:  $\beta = 0$  and  $z_{cut} = 0.2$ 

• Subjets are a proxy for the first hard splitting in the parton shower

#### Observables

CMS, arXiv:2405.0273

Alternative approach without grooming







### Systematic uncertainties

- MC modeling (dominant): Addresses modeling of underlying event, parton shower & hadronization. Estimated by comparing Pythia and Herwig. In PbPb quark/gluon reweighted to mimic quenching effect.
- Jet constituent energy scale (dominant): Energy of photons & charged hadrons shifted by 1%. Neutral hadrons shifted by 3%.
- Jet energy scale and resolution: Derived from dijet and  $\gamma$ +jet balancing studies in pp. Underlying event density in simulation (Hydjet) varied to match data.
- Photon purity: Varied background estimation method (template vs. ABCD).
- Unfolding: Varied regularization parameter & assumed prior, transfer matrix statistical uncertainties.







## Results in pp collisions

#### Compared to various models of parton showers, hadronization & underlying event



Data/model differences up to factor of 2  $\rightarrow$  Vacuum shower model important component for jet quenching calculations



ATLAS, PRC 107, (2023) 054909



Narrowing effect observed for inclusive jets is not replicated in  $\gamma$ +jet

### Inclusive jets vs $\gamma$ +jets

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Raising p<sub>T</sub> threshold on recoiling jet restores narrowing effect

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Varying coherence length

- $L_{res} = 0$ : incoherent limit
- $L_{res} = 2/(\pi T)$ : intermediate
- $L_{res} \rightarrow \infty$ : coherent limit



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#### $x_{\gamma j} > 0.4$ (w/ quenched jets): no narrowing observed



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#### Summary

• Groomed jet radius and girth measured in  $\gamma$ +jet events in pp and PbPb •Leading recoil jet from  $p_T > 100$  GeV photons studied for two selections:

#### $x_{\gamma j} > 0.8$ (less quenched jets): narrowing is restored



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