Novel sub-jet observables for quenched jets

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Which jet is quenched which one is not?
How different MC models modify the jet structure? How to tell them apart?
"Easy-to-measure" and experimentally robust observables?
AND theoretically rigorous / well defined observables?

A direction matching all criteria: colinear and infrared safe observables with strong sensitivity to the jet structure - SUB-JETS.
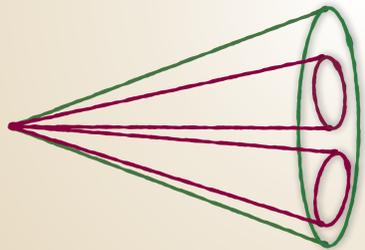
Setup

Jet finder: anti-kT, R=0.4

Observables: multiplicity, leading and sub-leading sub-jets with r < R reconstructed with k_T and anti-k_T algorithms

Event generators:
- MC PYTHIA[1] (used as a reference - vacuum jets)
- Q-PYTHIA[3] and JEWEL[4] (in-medium modified jets)

Leading Jet:
  ✦anti-k_T algorithm;
  ✦Et > 120 GeV;
  ✦R = 0.4.

Leading and Sub-leading Sub-jet:
  ✦anti-k_T and k_T algorithm;
  ✦R = 0.1.

Jet Quenching Models

Q-PYTHIA:
  ✦ Medium-modified version of PYTHIA 6;
  ✦ Radiative energy loss of type BDMPS-Z;
  ✦ Modification of the vacuum splitting functions:

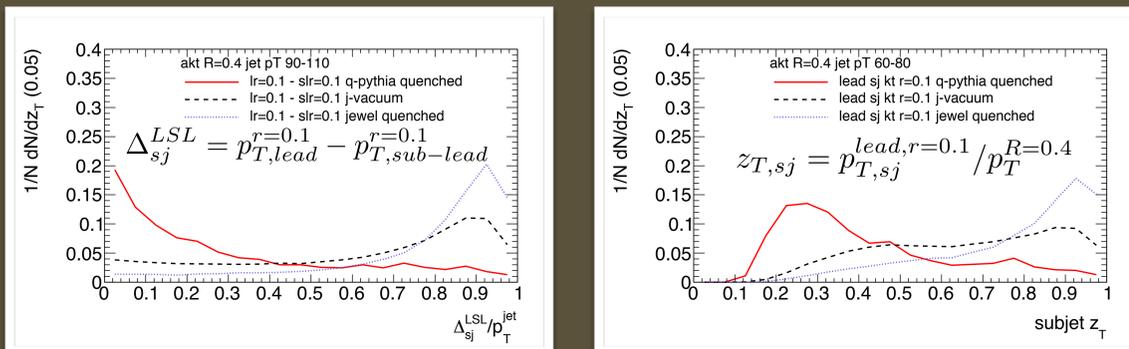$$P_{tot}(z) = P_{vac}(z) \rightarrow P_{tot}(z) + \Delta P(z, t, \hat{q}, L, E)$$

$$\Delta P(z, t, \hat{q}, L, E) \simeq \frac{2\pi t}{\alpha_s} \frac{dI^{med}}{dzdt}$$

  ✦ Quenching parameter: transport coefficient (average of squared transverse momentum acquired by the particle, k_T^2, per mean free path: $\hat{q} = \frac{k_\perp^2}{\lambda}$

JEWEL:
  ✦ Medium-modified version of PYTHIA 8;
  ✦ Contains both elastic and radiative energy loss (does not make distinction between the two):
     ✦ All medium interactions described at leading order by 2-->2 QCD matrix elements;
  ✦ Implemented the Landau-Pomeranchuck-Migdal effect

Different quenching - different sub-jet structure

$$\Delta_{sj}^{LSL} = p_{T,lead}^{r=0.1} - p_{T,sub-lead}^{r=0.1}$$

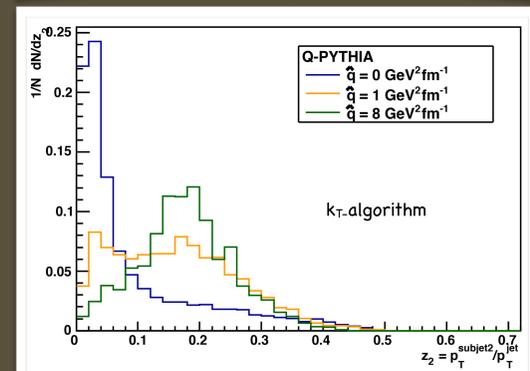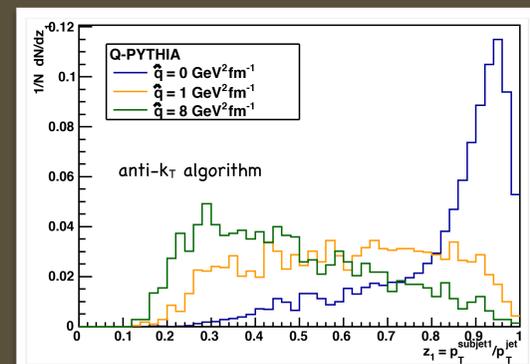$$z_{T,sj} = p_{T,sj}^{lead,r=0.1}/p_T^{R=0.4}$$

Jets with the same energy have a very different substructure.

Strong sensitivity to the details of modeling: the fraction of energy carried by the leading sub-jets.
New directions - more definitions possible - search for novel, robust, experimentally "preffered" observables...
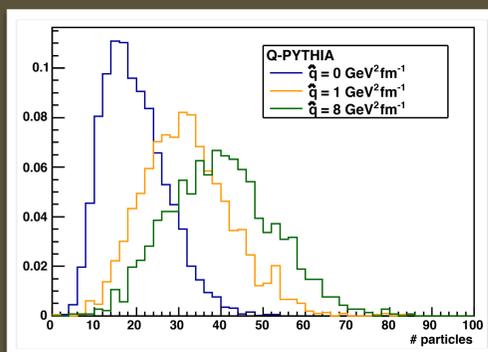
Select samples of quenched jets

Jet multiplicity is sensitive to quenching strength (qhat). Promising tool for distinguishing quenched from un-quenched jets?

Sensitivity to the "strength" of jet quenching

Combined information of leading and sub-leading sub-jet:
  ✦ strong constraints to quenching modeling - qhat
  ✦ expectation: differential observables - outlook for measurements robust against backgrounds in AA collisions

Future work

✦ Improve/develop observables with different jet quenching models;
✦ Detail studies with heavy-ion underlying event backgrounds & include experimental effects

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