

# YAJEM

a MC generator for in-medium shower evolution

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## GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- idea, basic equations, limits of applicability

## BENCHMARK RESULTS

- TECHQM brick problem results
- implementation of LPM interference

## DATA COMPARISON

- leading hadron  $R_{AA}$  and  $I_{AA}$  results, jet observables

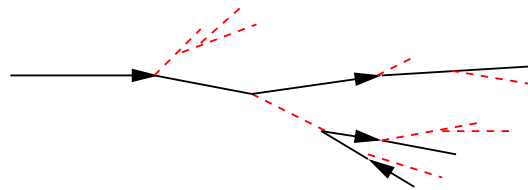
## OUTLOOK

- bremsstrahlung, conversion photons, energy deposition

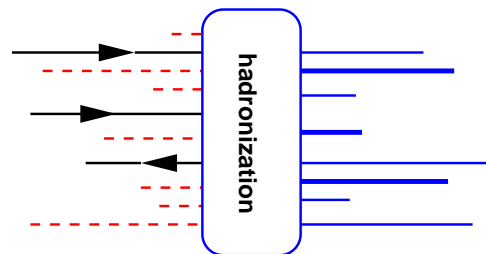
# PART I: GUIDING PRINCIPLES

## I. Medium-modified fragmentation

fragmentation function  $D_{f \rightarrow h}(z, \mu^2)$  encodes the following physics:



→ perturbative parton radiation



→ non-perturbative hadronization

## MEDIUM-MODIFIED PARTON SHOWER

- virtual parton formation time  $\tau \sim E/Q^2$ , hadron formation time  $\tau_h \sim E_h/m_h^2$   
→ part of the perturbative shower evolution happens in the medium

**YaJEM** (Yet another Jet Energy-loss Model) — a in-medium shower evolution code

### Guiding principles

- realistic radiation phase space, easy contact with experimental analysis  
→ Monte Carlo (MC) realization of shower evolution
- known and well-tested p-p baseline  
→ based on PYSHOW from the PYTHIA package, uses Lund model hadronization
- minimal prior assumptions about the medium degrees of freedom  
→ various *a priori* available parton-medium interaction scenarios
- to be used together with a hydrodynamical medium description  
→ generic interface, used with viscous hydro, EbyE, . . .

# QCD SHOWER EVOLUTION THE PYTHIA WAY (I)

Evolution in virtuality with (almost) collinear splitting: use  $t = \ln Q^2/\Lambda_{QCD}$  and  $z$

- differential splitting probability is

$$dP_a = \sum_{b,c} \frac{\alpha_s(t)}{2\pi} P_{a \rightarrow bc}(z) dt dz$$

- splitting kernels from perturbative QCD

$$P_{q \rightarrow qg}(z) = \frac{4(1+z^2)}{3(1-z)} \quad P_{g \rightarrow gg}(z) = 3 \frac{(1-z(1-z))^2}{z(1-z)} \quad P_{g \rightarrow q\bar{q}}(z) = \frac{N_F}{2} (z^2 + (1-z)^2)$$

- evolution proceeds in decreasing virtuality  $t$  and leads to a series of splittings  $a \rightarrow bc$  where the daughter partons take the energies  $E_b = zE_a$  and  $E_c = (1-z)E_a$ .
- $Q \sim P_T$  is the hard scale which makes the process perturbative for  $Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$

# QCD SHOWER EVOLUTION THE PYTHIA WAY (II)

- differential branching probability at scale  $t$ :

$$I_{a \rightarrow bc}(t) = \int_{z_-(t)}^{z_+(t)} dz \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{a \rightarrow bc}(z).$$

- kinematic limits  $z_{\pm}$  dependent on parent and daughter virtualities and masses  
 $M_{abc} = \sqrt{m_{abc}^2 + Q_{abc}^2}$

$$z_{\pm} = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{M_b^2 - M_c^2}{M_a^2} \pm \frac{|\mathbf{p}_a|}{E_a} \frac{\sqrt{(M_a^2 - M_b^2 - M_c^2)^2 - 4M_b^2 M_c^2}}{M_a^2} \right)$$

- probability density for branching of  $a$  occurring at  $t_m$  when coming down from  $t_{in}$ :

$$\frac{dP_a}{dt_m} = \left[ \sum_{b,c} I_{a \rightarrow bc}(t_m) \right] \exp \left[ - \int_{t_{in}}^{t_m} dt' \sum_{b,c} I_{a \rightarrow bc}(t') \right].$$

(probability for branching, times probability that parton has not branched before)

## FROM SHOWER TO IN-MEDIUM SHOWER

Several questions to be answered:

- How to translate momentum space evolution (jet) to spacetime evolution (hydro)?
- How does the medium look when seen from a hard parton?  
→ how do partons interact with the medium and are modified by it?
- How to distinguish jet and medium?
- How to deal with quantum interference?  
→ generically, MC is a probabilistic picture without quantum effects

## JET EVOLUTION IN POSITION SPACE

- **How to translate momentum space evolution to spacetime evolution?**

⇒ model average time for a parton  $b$  to branch from parent  $a$  as

$$\langle \tau_b \rangle = \frac{E_b}{Q_b^2} - \frac{E_b}{Q_a^2}$$

- actual branching time in given event from probability distribution

$$P(\tau_b) = \exp \left[ -\frac{\tau_b}{\langle \tau_b \rangle} \right]$$

- assume all partons are on eikonal trajectory determined by the shower initiator  
→ not strictly needed, but convenient if hydro is smooth on short scales

⇒ position of all branchings in spacetime known and connected with medium model

**Note:** Typically 3-4 generations of branchings happen *before* the medium forms - need to be treated as vacuum shower!

# PARTON-MEDIUM INTERACTION

- **How does the medium look when seen from a hard parton?**  
→ **how do partons interact with the medium and are modified by it?**

## YaJEM main option:

- no explicit medium model, medium appears via transport coefficients  $\hat{q}, \hat{e}$   
→ altered radiation phase space (RAD) and direct energy loss into medium (DRAG)

$$\Delta Q_a^2 = \int_{\tau_a^0}^{\tau_a^0 + \tau_a} d\zeta \hat{q}(\zeta) \quad \Delta E_a = \int_{\tau_a^0}^{\tau_a^0 + \tau_a} d\zeta \hat{e}\rho(\zeta)$$

## YaJEM alternative option:

- enhance singular part of splitting kernel by  $(1 + f_{med})$  (FMED), e.g.

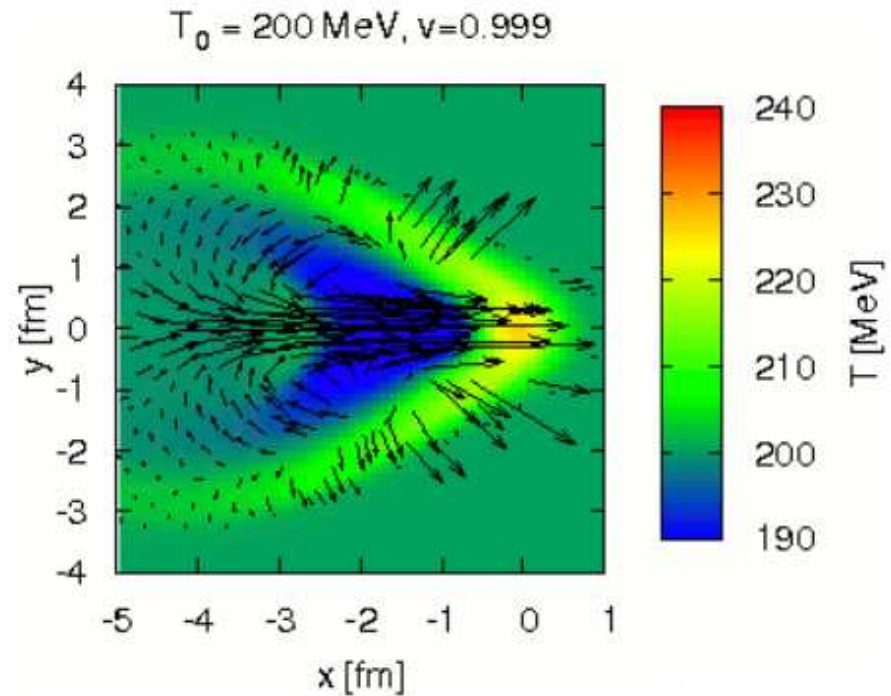
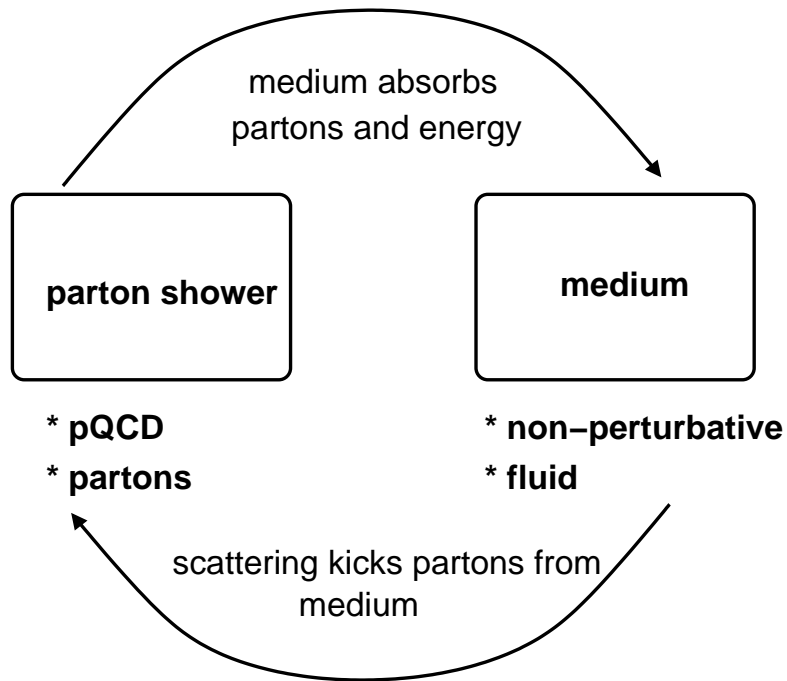
$$P_{q \rightarrow qg}(z) = \frac{4}{3} \frac{1+z^2}{1-z} \Rightarrow \frac{4}{3} \left( \frac{2(1+f_{med})}{1-z} - (1+z) \right)$$

→ consistency tests with Borghini-Wiedemann MLLA and Q-PYTHIA phenomenology



# PARTON-MEDIUM INTERACTION

- a medium is not simply a 'noisy environment'



- a hydro medium can be substantially disturbed by a jet
- perturbative shower can be broadened beyond kinematics of initial  $Q^2$
- energy-momentum conservation holds only for coupled jet-medium simulation!
  - YaJEM RAD and DRAG do not and should not conserve momentum in shower

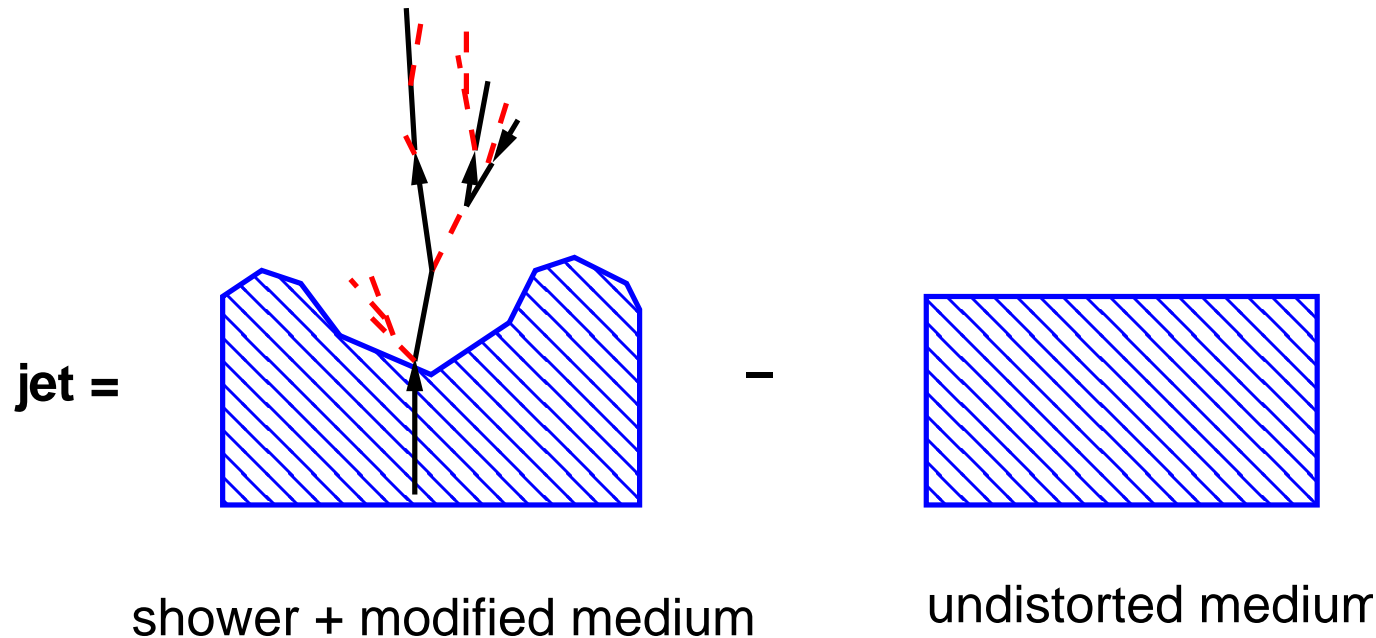
# JET AND BACKGROUND

- **How to distinguish jet and medium?**

→ not a physics question, up to jet definition, scale separation, . . .

**Disclaimer:**

Merging YaJEM jets with event generator output will not give the complete answer!



For realistic cone radii  $R < 0.6$  and current experimental procedures, a few years of experience have shown this to be numerically a non-issue.

# QUANTUM INTERFERENCE

- **How to deal with quantum interference?**

→ generically, MC is a probabilistic picture without quantum effects

## LPM interference:

- lifetime of a virtual state  $\tau \sim E/(Q^2 + \Delta Q^2)$

- virtuality picked from the medium:  $\Delta Q^2 \sim \hat{q}\tau = \hat{q}E/(Q^2 + \Delta Q^2)$

→ determine self-consistent solution for  $\Delta Q^2$  inside branching code

(independently coded, but conceptually similar to K. Zapp, J. Stachel and U. A. Wiedemann, Phys. Rev. Lett. **103** (2009) 152302)

## Angular ordering:

- kept as in vacuum

→ needs to be, because first branchings setting jet structure happen before medium

- test: angular ordering off in medium leads to statistically identical results

→ reason: virtuality-ordered showers are on average angular ordered

⇒ the effect of any realistic angular decoherence scenario is vanishingly small

## APPLICABILITY LIMITS

### Caveats:

- hadronization assumed to be unmodified by medium
  - no reason to assume low  $P_T$  and/or heavy hadrons are described correctly
  - in practice, YaJEM does jet-h correlation structures down to few hundred MeV
- relies on expansion around large  $Q^2$  scale
  - no mode for on-shell parton propagation, 'thin' medium assumption
  - no reason heavy quark jets are described correctly
- in practice scaling laws rely on medium density decrease over time
  - limited applicability to test cases like constant media
  - tested not to fail for density fluctuations
- inherits all caveats from PYSHOW (PYTHIA 6)
  - in particular, gluon fragmentation seems to be too soft

## PART II: BENCHMARK TESTS

### II. Brick problems

- take a chunk of matter with fixed temperature ( $\hat{q}, \dots$ ) and length  $L$   
→ compare with energy loss models
- establish basic model properties without uncertainty from hydro

## ENERGY LOSS

To determine leading quark energy loss probabilities from YaJEM:

- $c$ -quark as shower initiator: hard vacuum fragmentation and always tagged
- extract energy loss with an ansatz

$$\frac{dN^{med}}{dE_c}(E) = \int d(\Delta E) \frac{dN^{vac}}{dE_c}(E') P(\Delta E) \delta(E' - E - \Delta E)$$

→ this assumes  $P(\Delta E, E) = P(\Delta E)$  (not usually in YaJEM) and allows  $\Delta E > E$

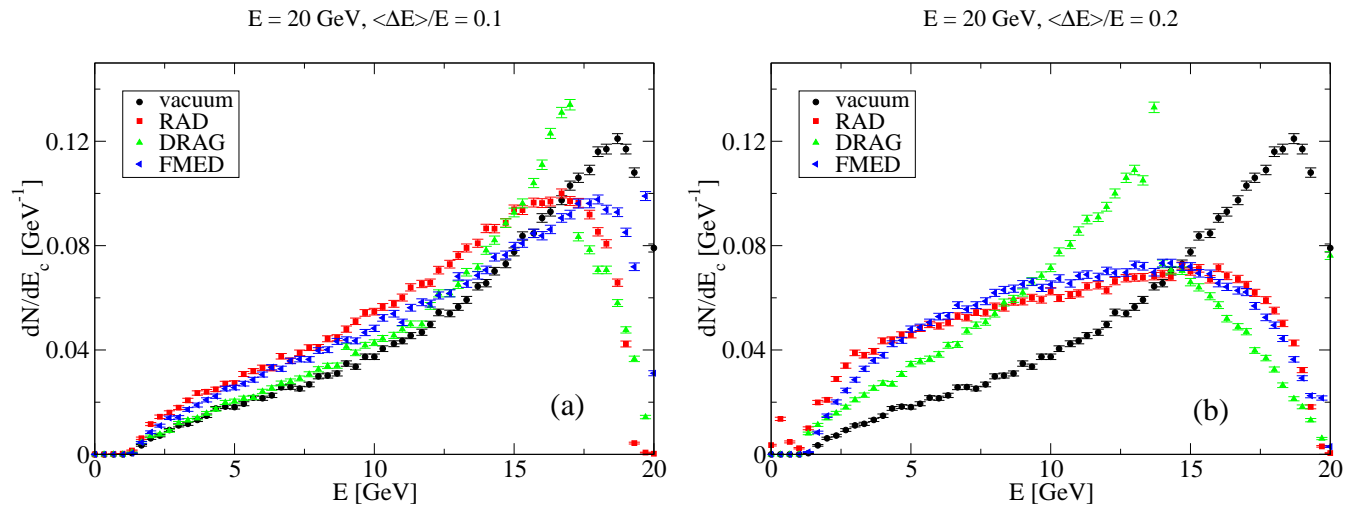
⇒ extraction of energy loss not reliable for large  $\Delta E$ !

- in practice: solve matrix equation for  $P_j$  subject to  $P_j > 0$  and  $\sum_j P_j = 1$

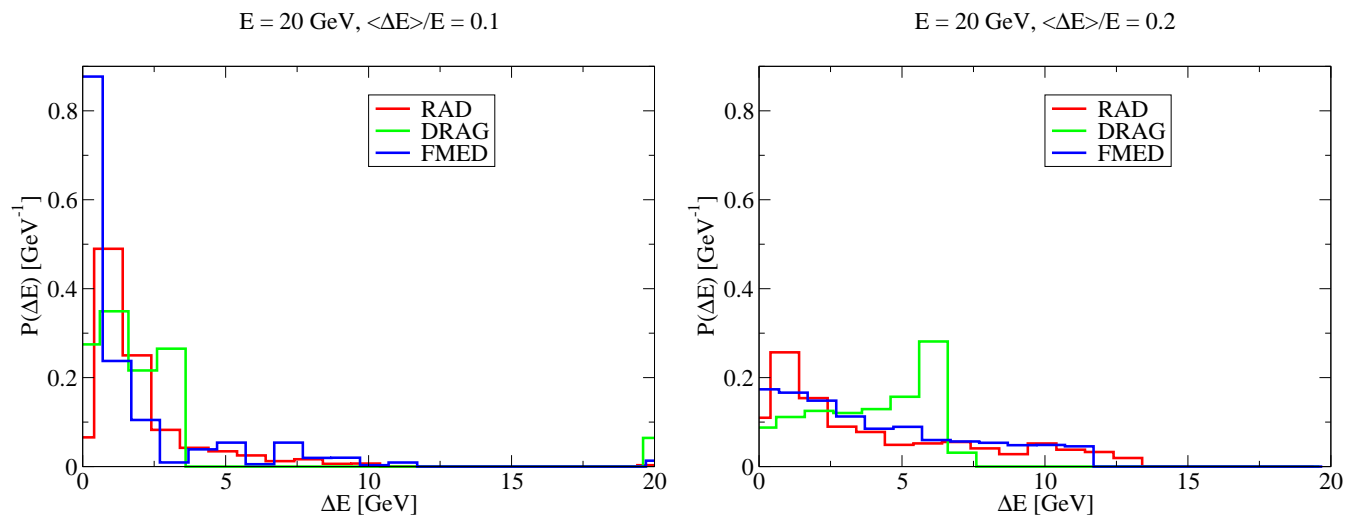
$$N_i(E^i) = \sum_{j=1}^n K_{ij}(E^i, \Delta E^j) P_j(\Delta E^j)$$

# ENERGY LOSS

- fragmentation functions:



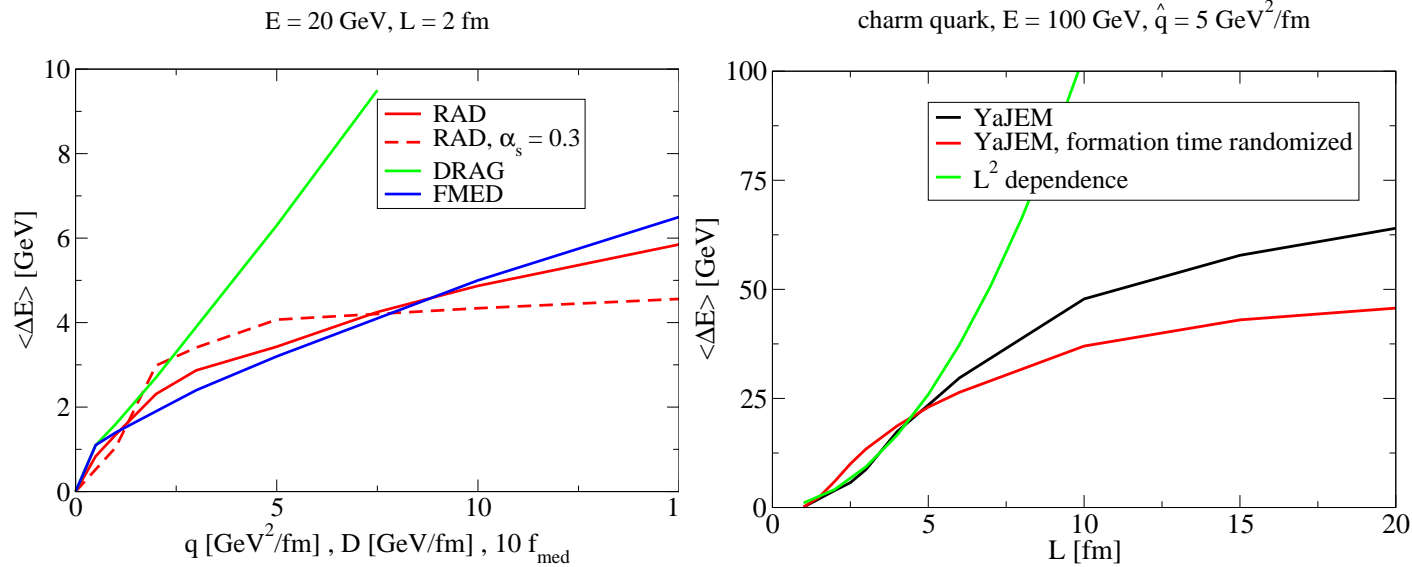
- energy loss probabilities



⇒ RAD and FMED show typical flat distribution of radiative energy loss

# ENERGY LOSS

- parametric dependencies on medium density and  $L$

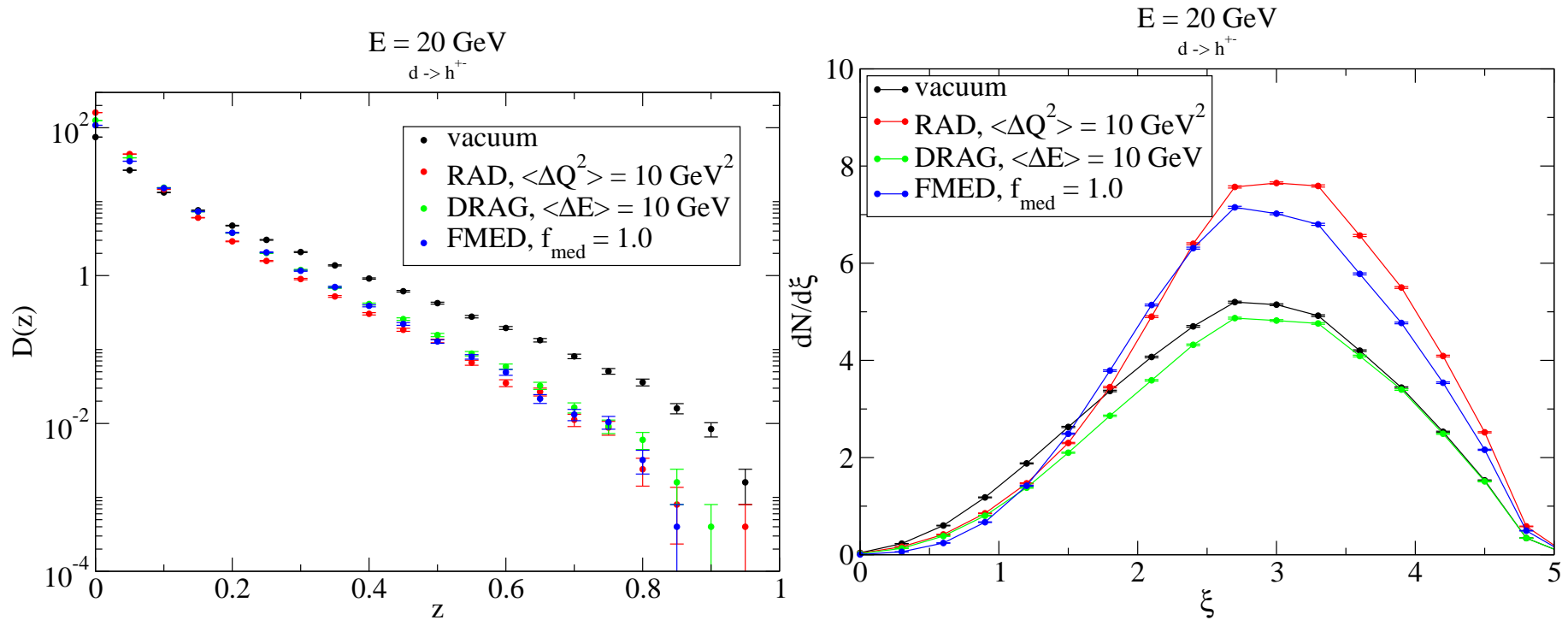


- $L$  const. increased medium effect
    - saturation of energy loss in radiative scenarios, much weaker for drag
  - $\hat{q}$  const.,  $L$  increased
    - if formation time not randomized: initial  $L^2$  dependence, then finite energy limit
    - if formation time randomized:  $L^2$  dependence almost invisible
- ⇒ LPM works as expected, but is numerically not dominating pathlength dependence



# FRAGMENTATION FUNCTIONS

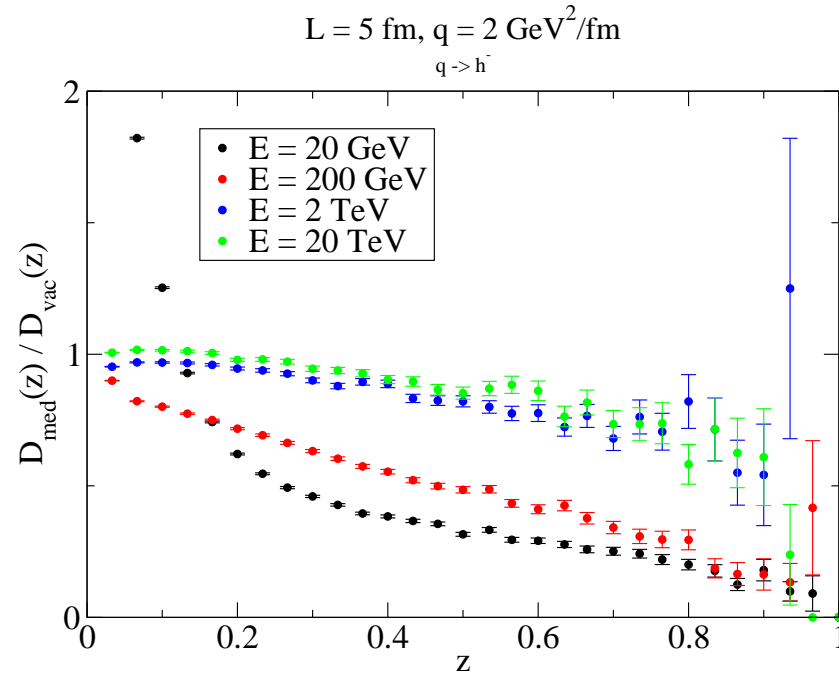
- fragmentation functions



- can be made to look similar in the high  $z$  region which is probed by spectra
- differences in the low  $z$  region  
 → enhancement from RAD and FMED, depletion from DRAG

# FRAGMENTATION FUNCTIONS

- scaling with parton energy (RAD)



- for high  $E$ , modification goes away
  - medium lifetime is an increasingly smaller fraction of the shower lifetime
  - $Q^2 \gg \Delta Q^2$  is increasingly met
  - ⇒ asymptotically, jet quenching in YaJEM goes away
- note scale up **upturn** point is fix in  $p_T \approx 3 \text{ GeV}$ , **not** in  $z$ !

## PART III: DATA COMPARISON

### III. Comparison with data

- full averaging over hydrodynamical backgrounds
  - check systematics, never be content with a single hydro model
- full bias structure as determined by experimental analysis
  - anti- $k_T$  routinely used for jet clustering
  - even clustering a complete hydro+jet event tested

## HYDRO AVERAGING

- hard vertices for impact parameter  $\mathbf{b}$  have probability distribution

$$P(x_0, y_0) = \frac{T_A(\mathbf{r}_0 + \mathbf{b}/2)T_A(\mathbf{r}_0 - \mathbf{b}/2)}{T_{AA}(\mathbf{b})},$$

where  $T_A(\mathbf{r}) = \int dz \rho_A(\mathbf{r}, z)$ .

- if medium-modified fragmentation function along given path is  $D_{i \rightarrow h}^{med}(z, \mu | \mathbf{r}_0, y, \phi)$ :

$$\langle D_{i \rightarrow h}^{med}(z, \mu) \rangle_{T_{AA}} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx_0 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dy_0 P(x_0, y_0) D_{i \rightarrow h}^{med}(z, \mu | \mathbf{r}_0, y, \phi).$$

For  $R_{AA}$ , this corresponds to a computationally rather intensive averaging of paths in a evolving hydrodynamical model with a weight given by  $P(x_0, y_0)$ . For back-to-back hadron correlations, the averaging is even more complicated due to the trigger bias.

- also EbyE hydro with binary collision vertices from initial condition MC

## YAJEM SCENARIOS

- several physics scenarios from the basic building blocks RAD and DRAG  
→ FMED is not used for any data comparison

**YaJEM:** using the RAD scenario

→ linear  $L$ -dependence, incompatible with  $R_{AA}(\phi)$  and  $R_{AA}(P_T)$ , obsolete

**YaJEM-D:** as YaJEM, but determining lower in-medium evolution scale  $Q_0 = \sqrt{E/L}$

→ much better with the data, incompatible with  $I_{AA}$  in h-h correlations, obsolete

**YaJEM-DE:** as YaJEM-D, but using 90% RAD and 10% DRAG

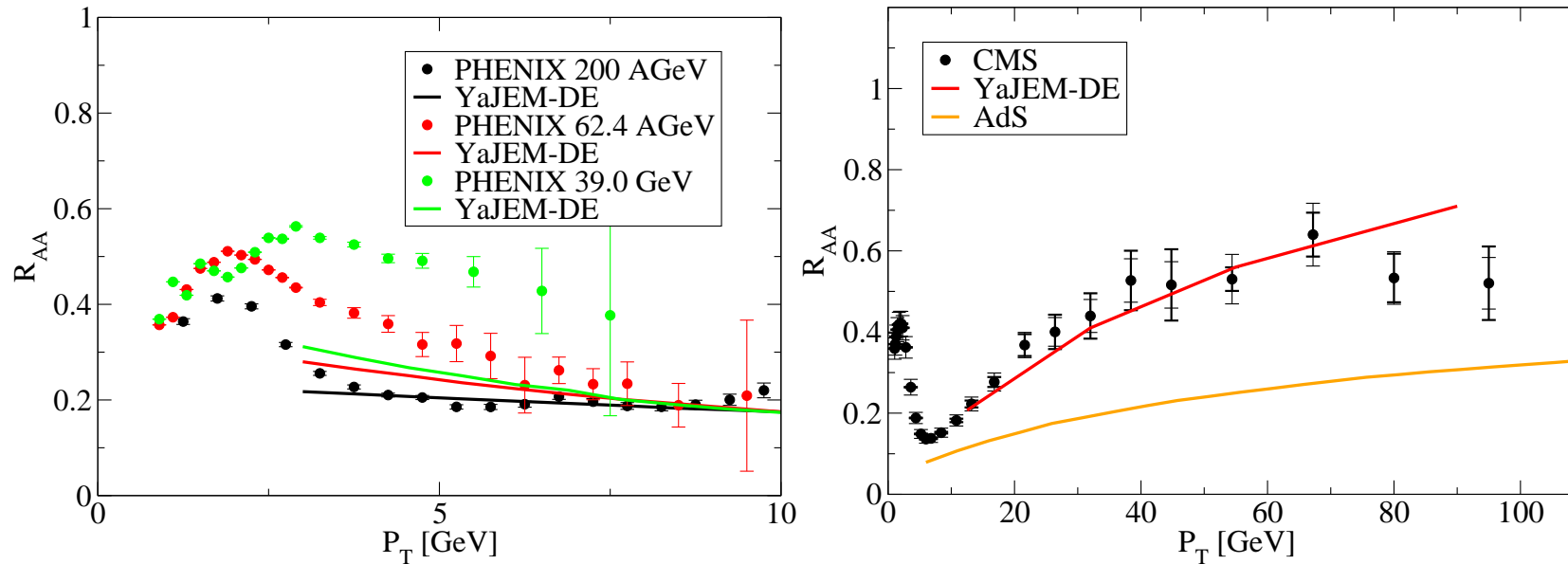
→ reasonable description of all data sets tested so far

**YaJEM-E:** using the DRAG scenario

→ unrealistic model used to test discriminative power of observables

# $R_{AA}$ FOR CENTRAL COLLISIONS

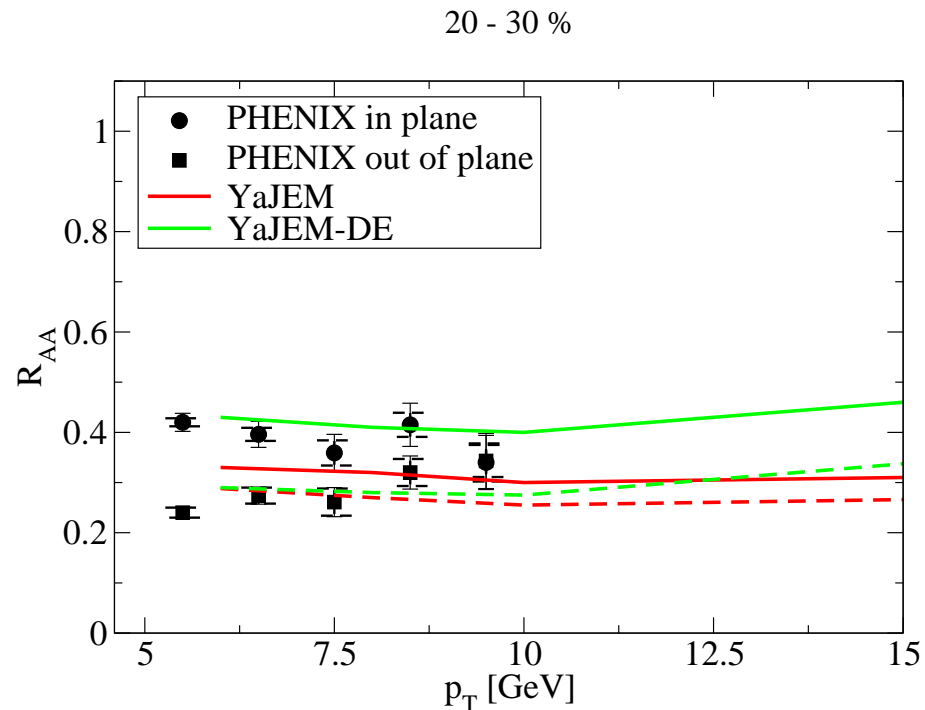
- parameters fixed to  $R_{AA}$  in 0-10% central 200 AGeV collisions  
→ extrapolation to different  $\sqrt{s}$  (using EbyE for low energy scan)



- requires careful and controlled extrapolation of background hydrodynamics  
→ quenching parametrically scales  $\sim T^3$  (medium density)  
→ non-perturbative physics obscures result below 62.4 GeV
- decent description of  $R_{AA}$  over factor 50 in  $\sqrt{s}$  using YaJEM-DE  
→ non-trivial, AdS scenarios fail that test

# $R_{AA}$ FOR NON-CENTRAL COLLISIONS

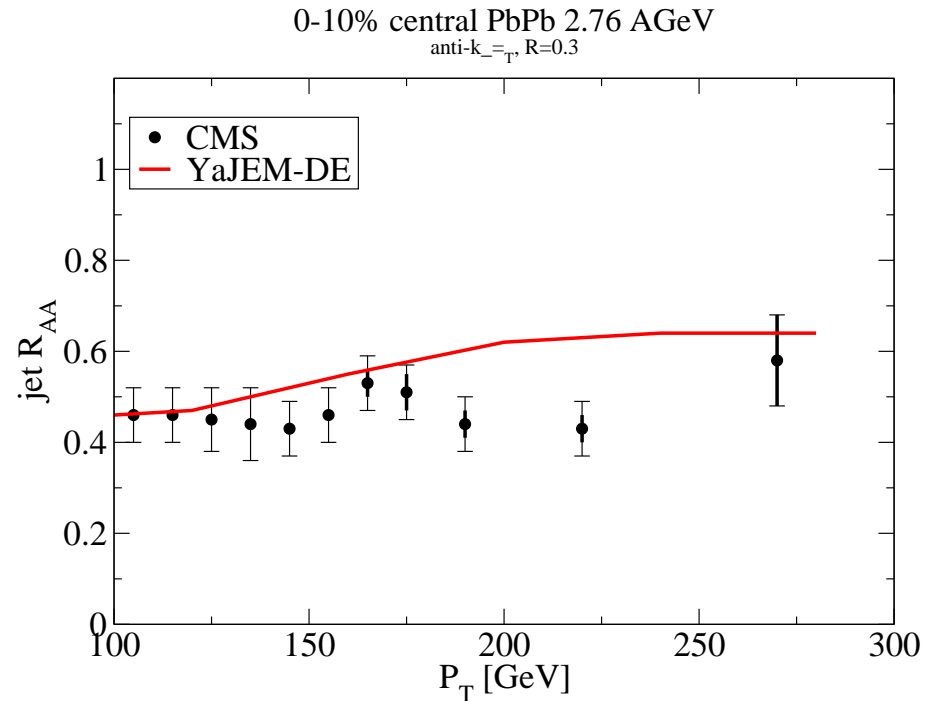
- parameters fixed to  $R_{AA}$  in 0-10% central 200 AGeV collisions  
→ extrapolation to different centrality



- decent description of the spread in-plane vs. out of plane  
→ non-trivial, all models with linear pathlength dependence fail this
- huge (factor 2!) uncertainty related to choice of background hydrodynamics  
→ not obvious if model failure with data tests jet quenching or hydro

# $R_{AA}$ FOR JETS

- parameters fixed to  $R_{AA}$  in 0-10% central 200 AGeV collisions  
→ LHC extrapolation, clustering with anti- $k_T$ ,  $R = 0.3$  following CMS analysis

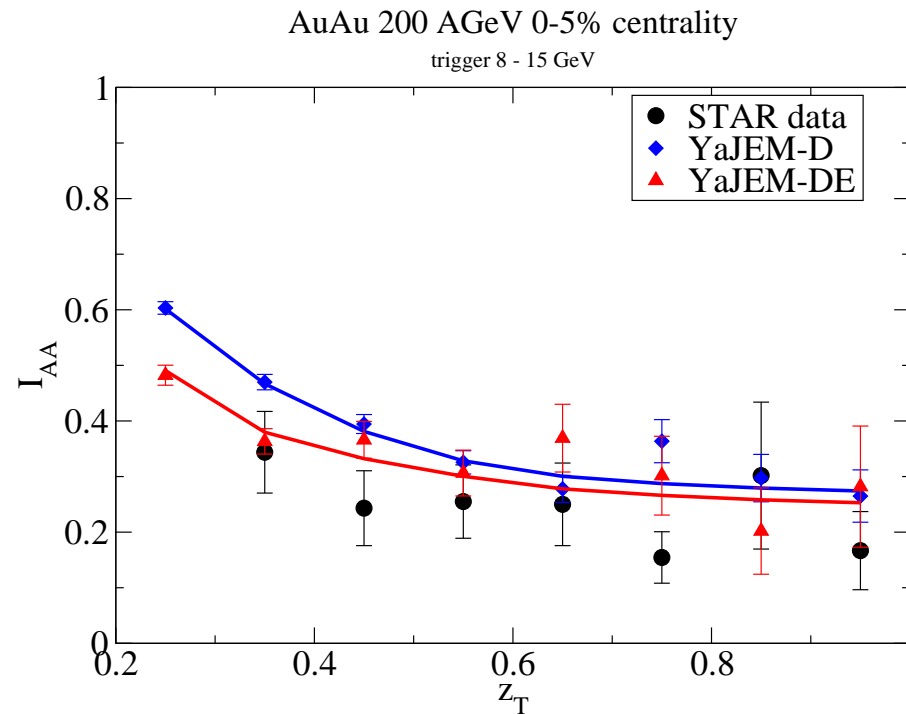


- decent description of jet  $R_{AA}$   
→ appears to follow for all scenarios where hadron  $R_{AA}$  describes data



# $I_{AA}$ FOR HADRON-HADRON CORRELATIONS

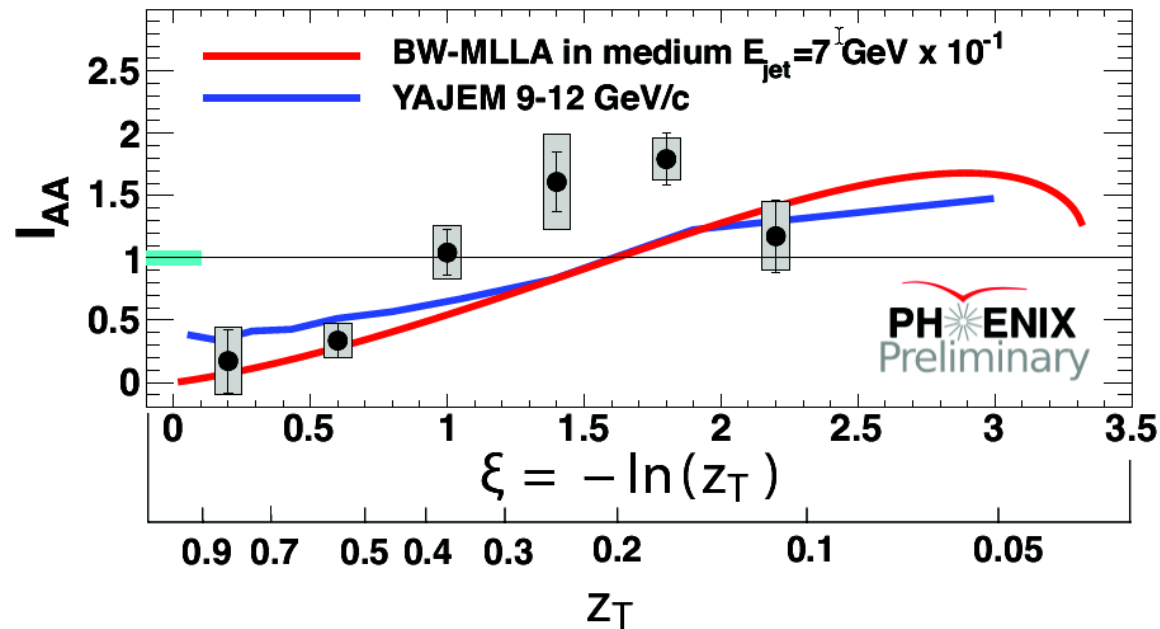
- parameters fixed to  $R_{AA}$  in 0-10% central 200 AGeV collisions  
→ back-to-back hadron correlations, away side yield



- decent description of correlated yield  
→ highly non-trivial, probes pathlength dependence and subleading radiation
- dependence on hydro background weaker than for  $R_{AA}(\phi)$ ,  $\sim 20\%$   
→ determines elastic energy loss component to about 10%

# $I_{AA}$ FOR $\gamma$ -HADRON CORRELATIONS

- parameters fixed to  $R_{AA}$  in 0-10% central 200 AGeV collisions  
→  $\gamma$ -hadron correlations, away side yield

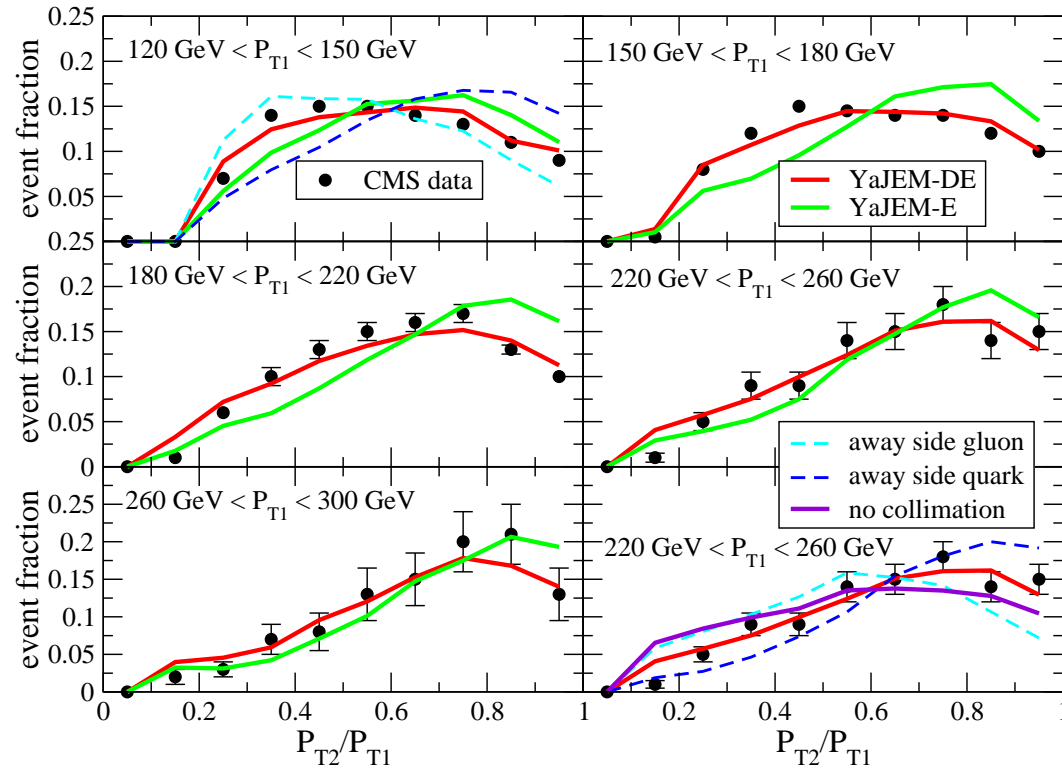


- decent description of correlated yield except perhaps in low  $P_T$  region  
→ related to a quark  $R_{AA}$  at high  $z_T$ , i.e. constrained
- possible tension in STAR h-h and PHENIX  $\gamma$ -h data a low  $P_T$

# A<sub>J</sub> FOR JETS

- parameters fixed to  $R_{AA}$  in 0-10% central 200 AGeV collisions
- LHC extrapolation, clustering with anti- $k_T$ ,  $R = 0.3$  following CMS analysis

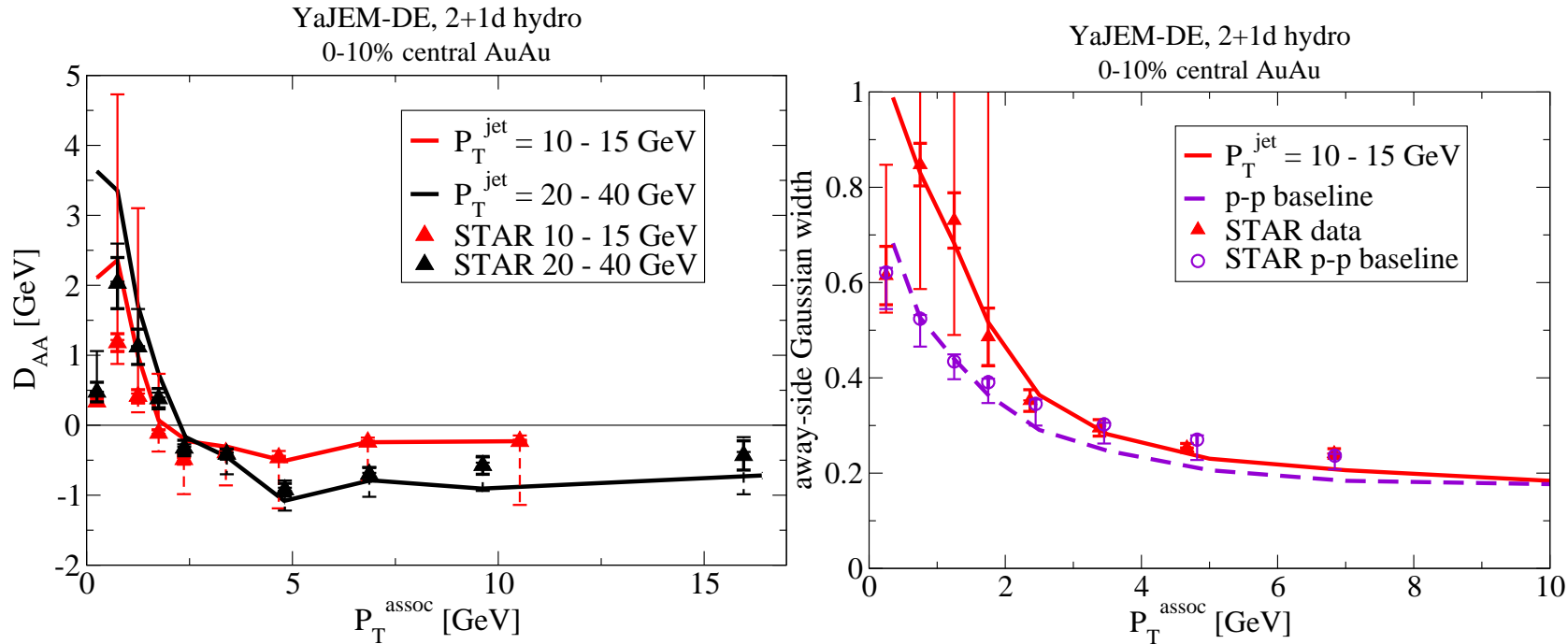
0-20% 2.76 ATeV PbPb



- decent description of momentum dependence of jet  $A_J$
- however, even YaJEM-E is sort of close to the data?!
- probes mainly kinematical collimation and quark/gluon differences

# $I_{AA}$ FOR JET-HADRON CORRELATIONS

- parameters fixed to  $R_{AA}$  in 0-10% central 200 AGeV collisions
- anti- $k_T$  clustering with STAR PID and track  $p_T$  cuts, following STAR analysis



- good description of balance function  $D_{AA} = \text{yield}_{AA}(P_T)\langle P_T \rangle - \text{yield}_{pp}(P_T)\langle P_T \rangle$
- non-trivial, note that upturn happens at fixed  $P_T \approx 3$  GeV
- good description of transverse jet structure
- non-trivial and not constrained much by anything else

## ALL THE REST

Also other observables with YaJEM-DE:

- h-jet correlations (ALICE)  
→ full calculation (prediction made after LHC data), good description of the data
- h-h correlations at LHC (ALICE)  
→ full calculation (prediction made before LHC data), in rough agreement with data
- jet shapes (CMS)  
→ exploratory study, no tension with the data seen
- jet fragmentation function (CMS)  
→ full calculation for similar kinematics, good description of the data
- dihadron 2+1 triggered correlations (STAR)  
→ exploratory study, order of magnitude okay, conceptual problem with data trend

Decent agreement with a large body of very different observables in very different kinematical and differently biased regimes.

## WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

Lessons learned:

- vacuum pQCD and medium-induced radiation phase space works really well  
→ important to get phase space right before looking at details
- the data are not in agreement with  
→ any fractional energy loss (this would not leave the upturn fixed at 3 GeV)  
→ a large elastic/incoherent component (this would overshoot away side  $I_{AA}$ )  
→ an AdS/CFT like  $T^4$  scaling of the medium quenching power
- the choice of the hydro background matters!  
→ dependent on observable, just a few % or factors of 2  
→ proposal: let's try to constrain hydro by high  $P_T$ !
- the data show no evidence for specific medium QCD physics like  
→ color decoherence (no predicted signal except unspecific broadening)  
→ color reconnections (no changes in observed hadrochemistry)
- jet observables often have less constraining power than hadron correlations  
→ but jet triggered correlations can do miracles!

## PART IV: OUTLOOK

### IV. What else can YaJEM do ?

- hard photon production
- energy deposition into the medium
- jet mass dependent observables

# PHOTON PRODUCTION

- at the simple expense of allowing  $q \rightarrow q\gamma$ , we can get bremsstrahlung photons
- using a formula for conversion photons

$$E_\gamma \frac{dN_\gamma}{d^3p_\gamma d^4x} = \frac{\alpha\alpha_s}{4\pi^2} \sum_{f=1}^{N_f} \left(\frac{e_{qf}}{e}\right)^2 \times [f_q(p_\gamma) + f_{\bar{q}}(p_\gamma)] T^2 \left[ \ln \frac{4E_\gamma T}{m^2} - 1.916 \right].$$

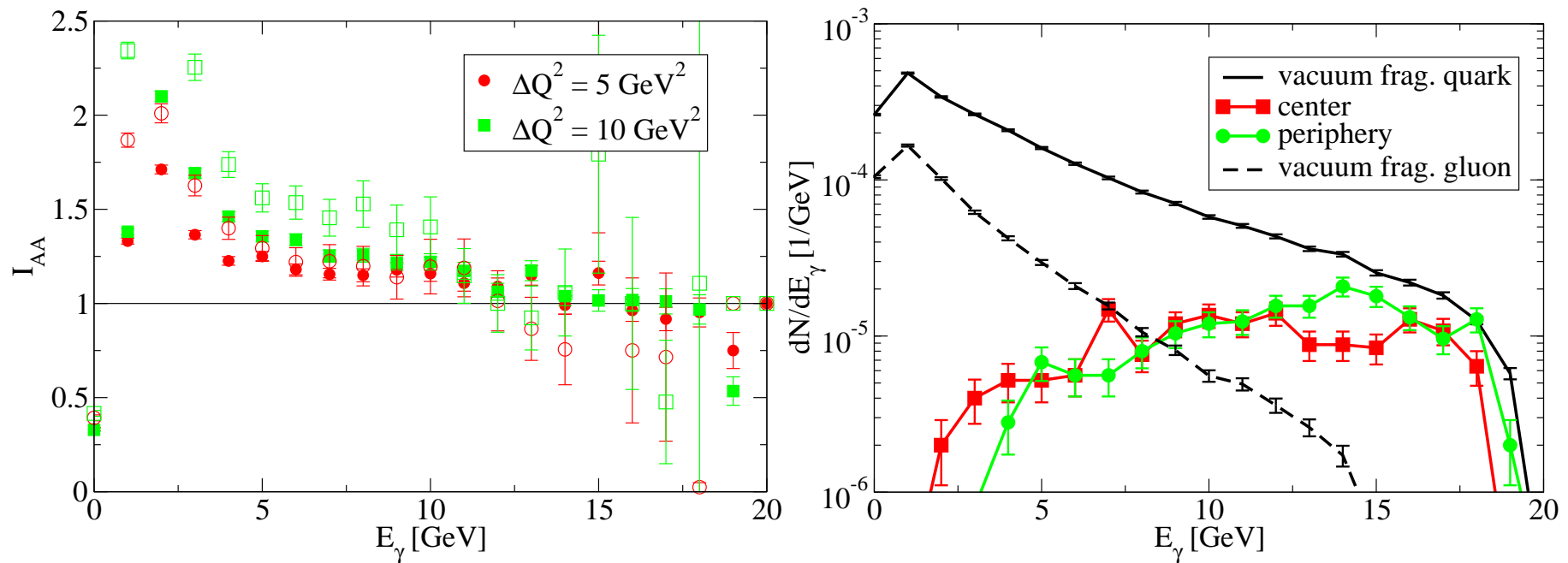
with  $f_{q(\bar{q})}(p) = (2\pi)^3 \delta(x - x_0) \delta(y - y_0) \delta(z - ct) \delta^3(p)$  in evolving shower  
 $\Rightarrow$  approximate yield of conversion photons

**Caveat:** The above expression is derived assuming an ideal quark-gluon gas — this is different from the medium description usually used in YaJEM



# PHOTON PRODUCTION

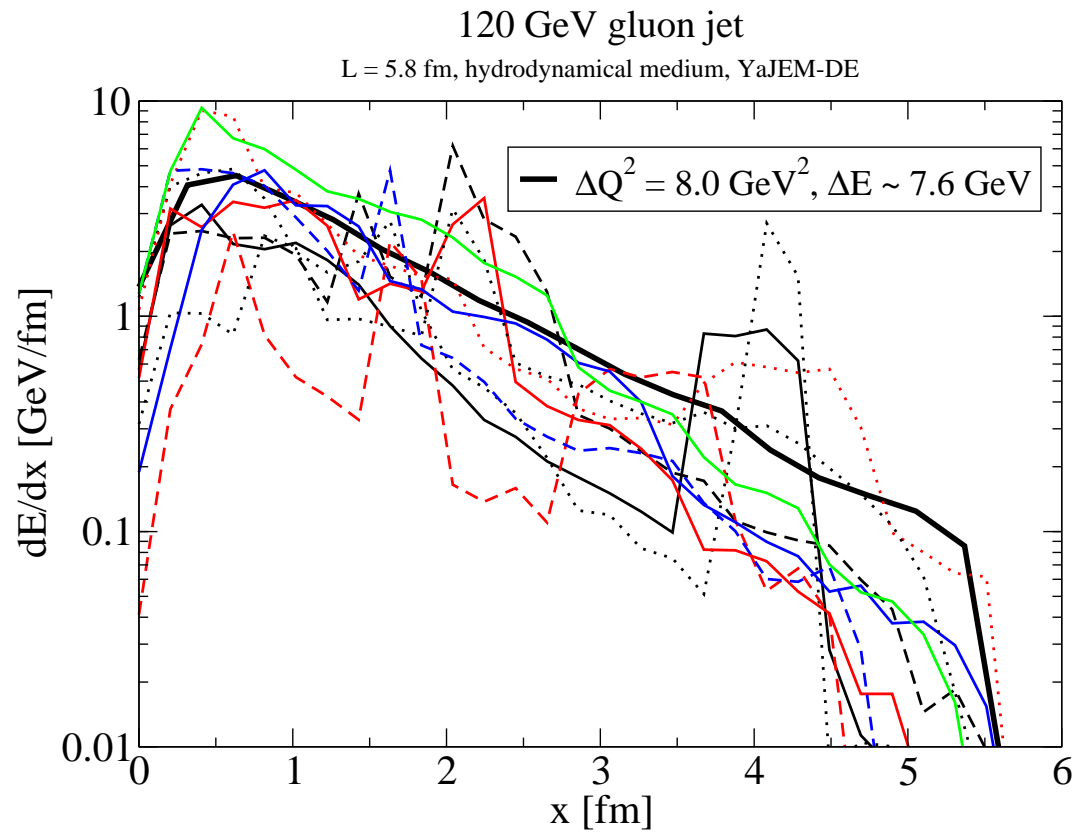
- some exploratory study (very statistics-hungry. . . )



- modest low  $P_T$  enhancement of fragmentation photon yield
- conversion photons do not have a sharp peak as in energy loss approximation
- gluon jets do have photon emission, as gluons can branch into  $q\bar{q}$

# ENERGY DEPOSITION

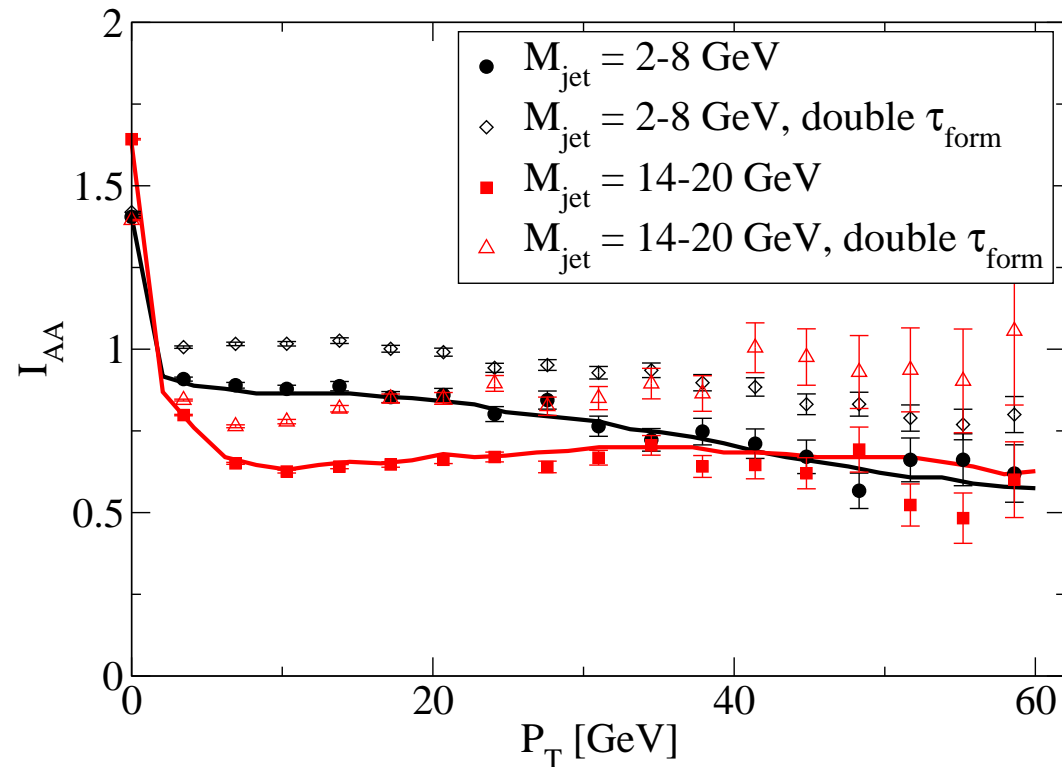
- plot the energy deposition into medium via  $\hat{e}$  term  
→ event-by-event fluctuating source term for hydrodynamics



# JET MASS BINNING

- idea: high mass jets have stronger evolution and more multiplicity  
→ multiple propagating color charges, stronger modification

$E_q = 100 \text{ GeV}$ , anti- $k_T$   $R=0.4$



⇒ should be possible to see even after clustering with  $R = 0.4$

# YAJEM

Some open issues:

- study systematics of high  $p_T$   $v_2$  in different hydro models
- phenomenology of shower and conversion photons
- application to heavy quarks at really high  $P_T$ ?

If you're curious, YaJEM is available for the public on request (just drop me a mail). Sorry - no user interface, no manual, no complete event generator but only shower — the YaJEM collaboration doesn't have as many resources as the JET collaboration (= I do not have a student for code maintenance and interface coding).