

# Probing medium-induced jet splitting and energy loss in heavy-ion collisions

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# Outline

- ◆ Motivation and Framework
- ◆ **Non-monotonic** jet energy dependence of the nuclear modification to jet splitting function
- ◆ Effect of **coherent vs. incoherent** energy loss
- ◆ Summary and Outlook

# Why to study groomed jet substructures

- Theory calculations (e.g. higher twist) provides **medium-modified splitting functions** in heavy-ion collisions
- Phenomenological studies [JETSCAPE talk on Wednesday] put these **splitting functions** in either ***DGLAP evolution equation*** or ***rate equation of transport models*** and calculate  $R_{AA}$ ,  $v_2$  etc and compare to data.

DGLAP evolution for parton fragmentation function:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial Q^2} D(z, Q^2) = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \frac{1}{Q^2} \int_z^1 \frac{dy}{y} P(y) D\left(\frac{z}{y}, Q^2\right)$$

Transport model (scattering rate):

$$\Gamma^{\text{inel}} = \langle N_g \rangle (E, T, t, \Delta t) / \Delta t = \int dx dk_{\perp}^2 \frac{dN_g}{dx dk_{\perp}^2 dt}$$

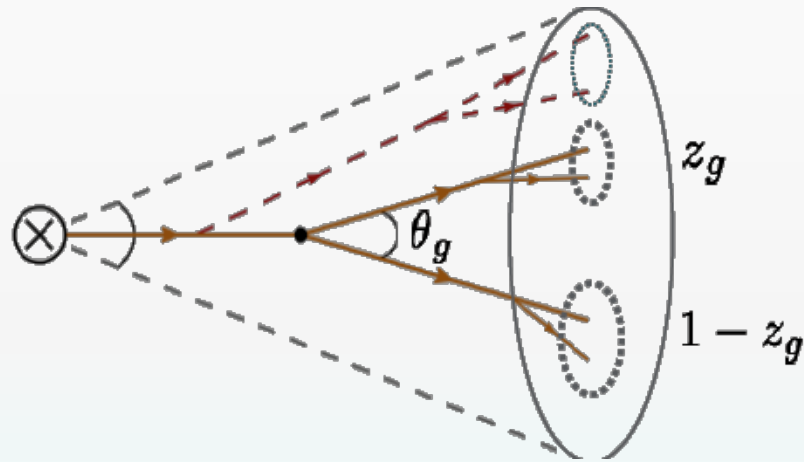
- **Indirect test** of theory calculation of the **splitting functions**.

# Softdrop jet grooming algorithm

Anti- $k_T$  jet is clustered with Cambridge/Aachen (CA)

Then decluster the angular-ordered CA tree

Drop soft branches



$$\frac{\min(p_{T1}, p_{T2})}{p_{T1} + p_{T2}} \equiv z_g > z_{\text{cut}} \left( \frac{\Delta R}{R} \right)^\beta$$

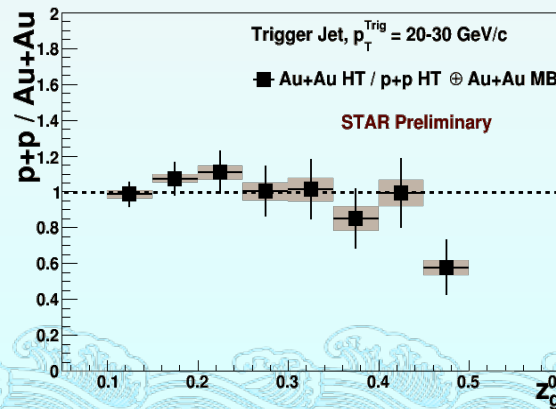
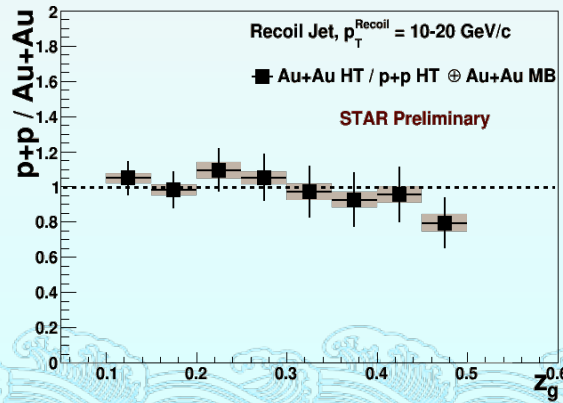
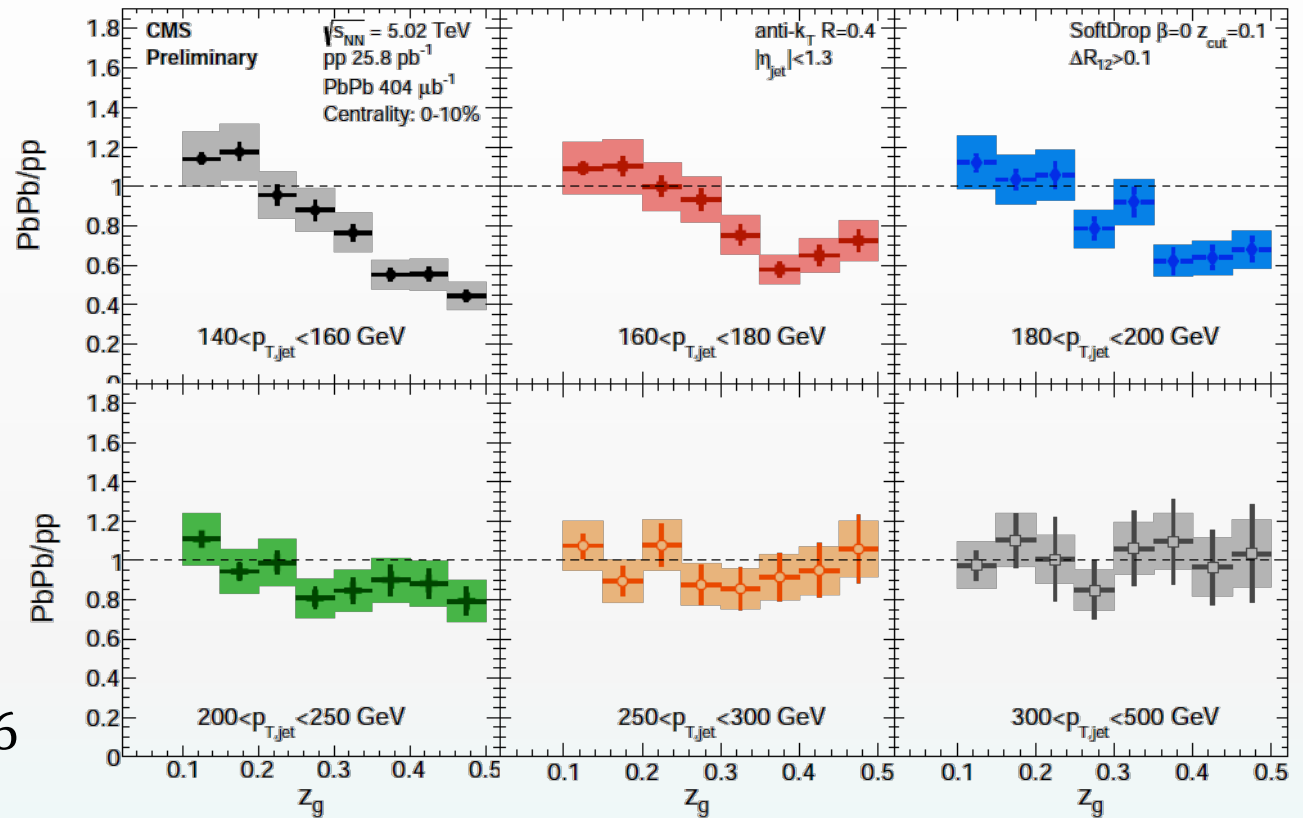
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Soft Drop: JHEP 1405 (2014) 146

# “Puzzle” in CMS vs. STAR measurements

$$p(z_g) = \frac{1}{N_{\text{evt}}} \frac{dN_{\text{evt}}}{dz_g}$$

CMS-PAS-HIN-16-006



Kolja Kauder for STAR  
arXiv:1703.10933

# Framework of theoretical calculation

$$p_i(z_g) = \frac{\int_{k_\Delta^2}^{k_R^2} dk_\perp^2 \bar{P}_i(z_g, k_\perp^2)}{\int_{z_{\text{cut}}}^{1/2} dx \int_{k_\Delta^2}^{k_R^2} dk_\perp^2 \bar{P}_i(x, k_\perp^2)}$$

$$\bar{P}_i(x, k_\perp^2) = \sum_{j,l} \left[ P_{i \rightarrow j,l}(x, k_\perp^2) + P_{i \rightarrow j,l}(1-x, k_\perp^2) \right]$$

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Thaler, Phys. Rev.  
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$$P_i(x, k_\perp^2) = P_i^{\text{vac}}(x, k_\perp^2) + P_i^{\text{med}}(x, k_\perp^2)$$

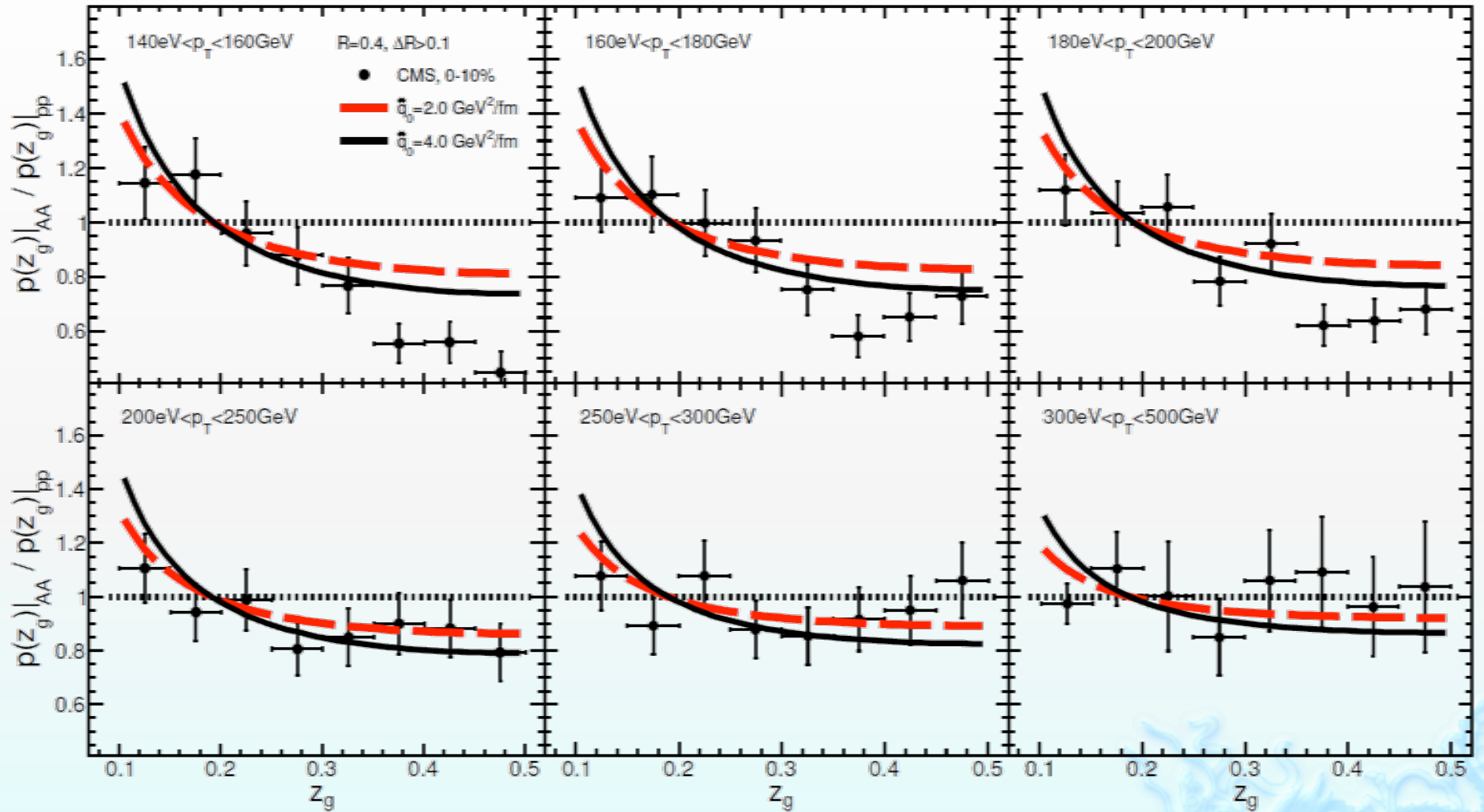
$$P_i^{\text{med}}(x, k_\perp^2) = \frac{2\alpha_s}{\pi k_\perp^4} P_i^{\text{vac}}(x) \int d\tau \hat{q}_g(\tau) \sin^2\left(\frac{\tau}{2\tau_f}\right)$$

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Guo, Nucl. Phys. A696,  
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$$p^{\text{obs}}(z_g) = \frac{1}{\sigma_{\text{total}}} \sum_{j=q,g} \int d^2 X \mathcal{P}(\vec{X}) \int_{p_{T,1}^{\text{ini}}=p_{T,1}^{\text{obs}}+\Delta E_1}^{p_{T,2}^{\text{ini}}=p_{T,2}^{\text{obs}}+\Delta E_2} dp_T^{\text{ini}} \frac{d\sigma_j}{dp_T^{\text{ini}}} p_j(z_g | p_T^{\text{ini}})$$

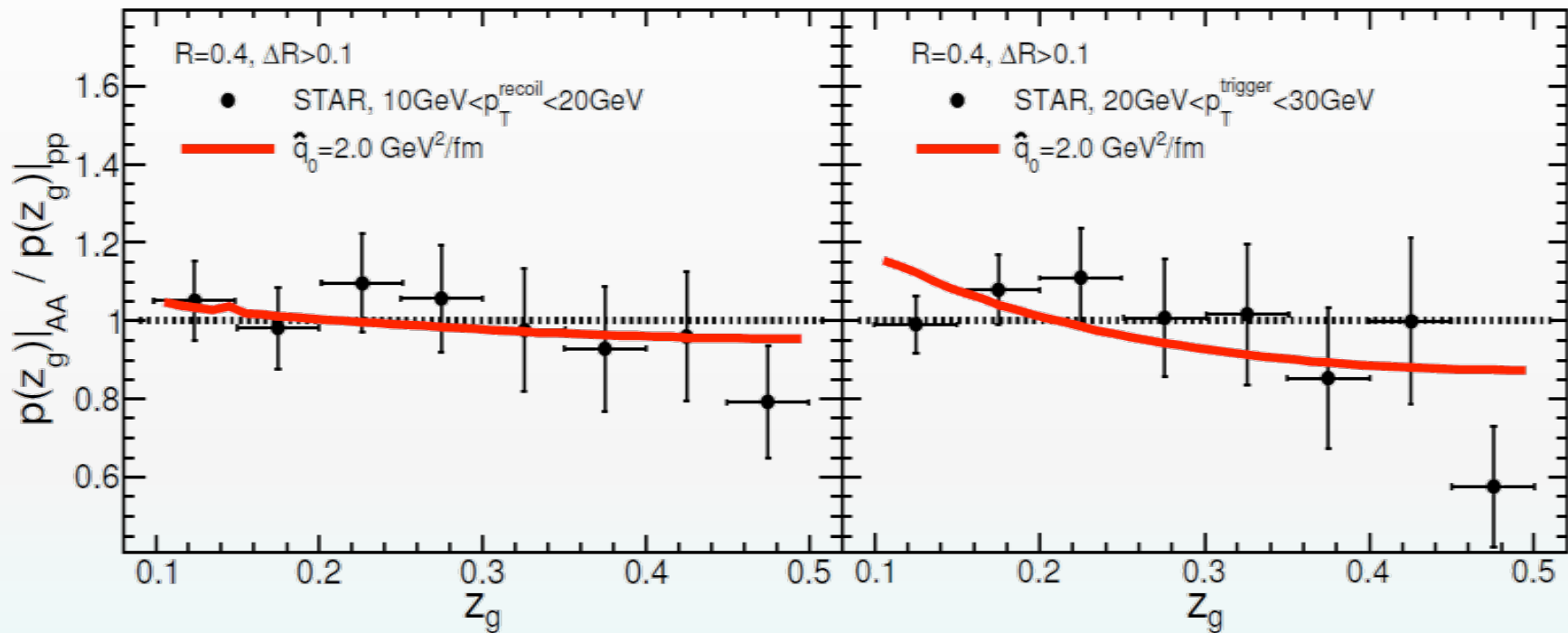
$$\Delta E = \int dx dk_\perp^2 (xE) \bar{P}^{\text{med}}(x, k_\perp^2) \theta\left(\frac{1}{2} - x\right) \theta(k_\perp - k_R)$$

# Comparison with CMS data



$$R_{p(z_g)} = \frac{p(z_g)|_{AA}}{p(z_g)|_{pp}}$$

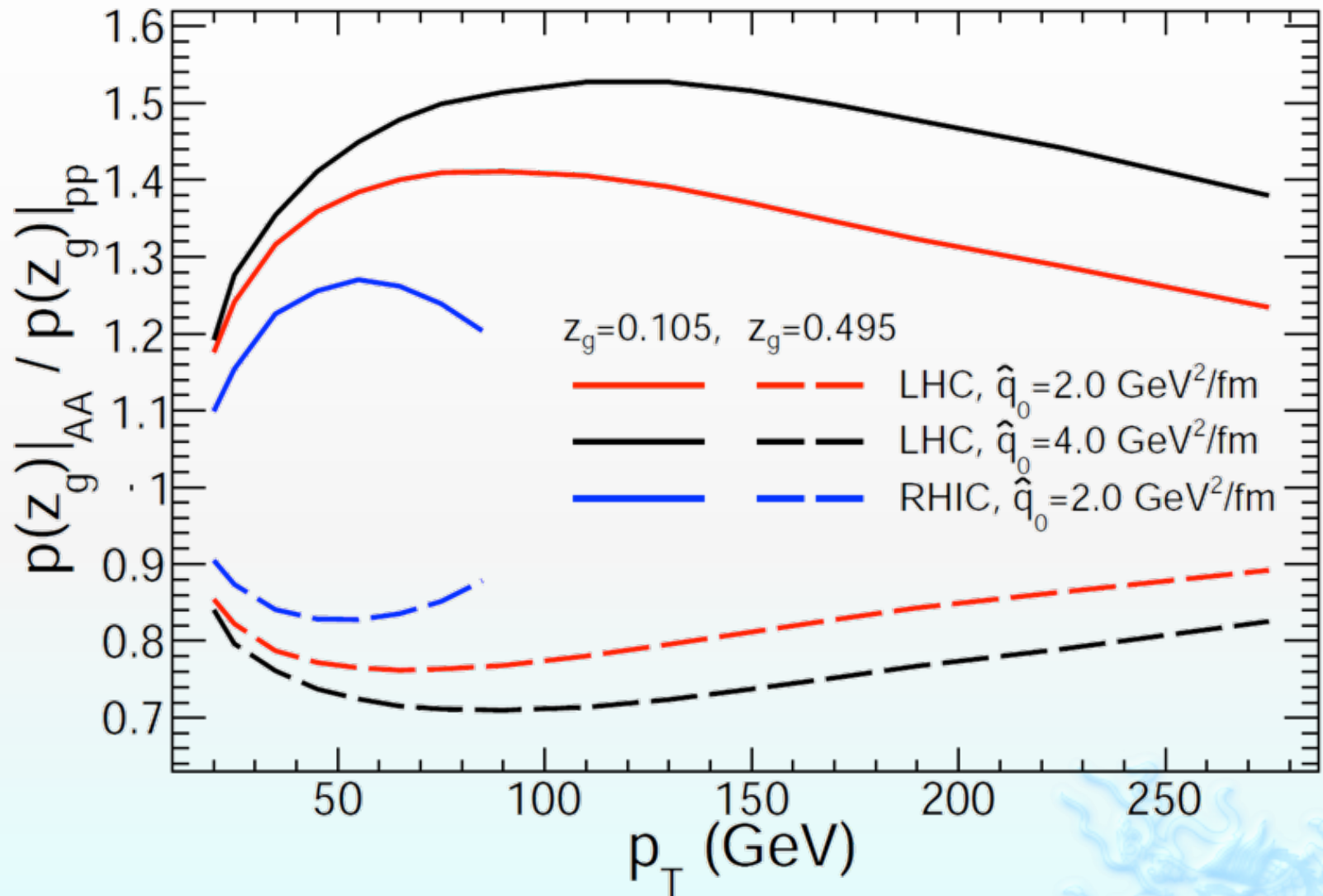
# Comparison with STAR data



There are non-monotonic jet energy dependence both in experimental data and in theory!

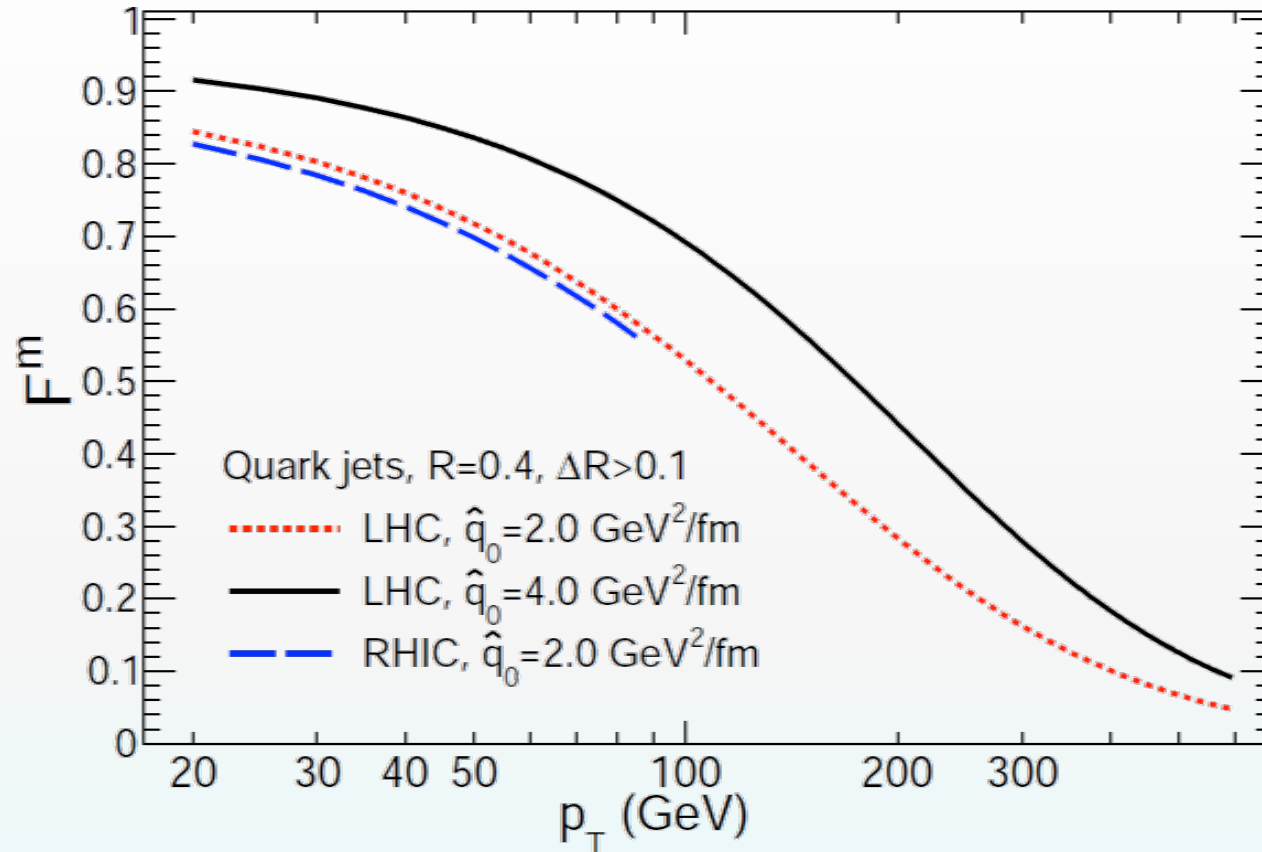


# Prediction of the energy dependence



Endpoints of the nuclear modification factor.

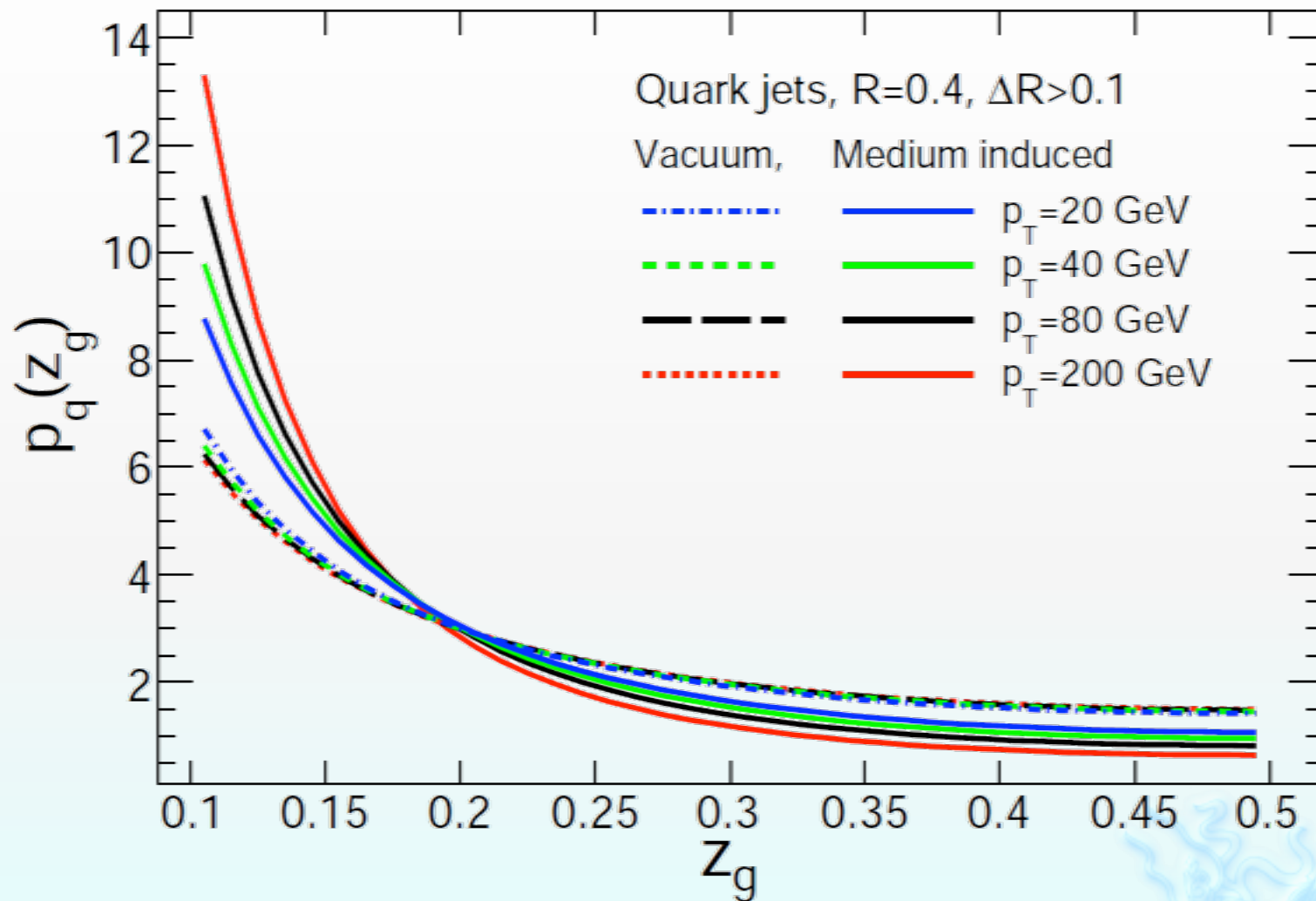
# Source of the **Non-monotonic** behavior: I



$$F_i^m = \frac{\int_{z_{\text{cut}}}^{1/2} dx \int_{k_{\Delta}^2}^{k_R^2} dk_{\perp}^2 \overline{P}_i^{\text{med}}(x, k_{\perp}^2)}{\int_{z_{\text{cut}}}^{1/2} dx \int_{k_{\Delta}^2}^{k_R^2} dk_{\perp}^2 \left[ \overline{P}_i^{\text{vac}}(x, k_{\perp}^2) + \overline{P}_i^{\text{med}}(x, k_{\perp}^2) \right]}$$

$$P_i^{\text{med}}(x, k_{\perp}^2) = \frac{2\alpha_s}{\pi k_{\perp}^4} P_i^{\text{vac}}(x) \int d\tau \hat{q}_g(\tau) \sin^2\left(\frac{\tau}{2\tau_f}\right)$$

# Source of the **Non-monotonic** behavior: II



$$\int_{k_{\Delta}^2}^{k_R^2} dk_{\perp}^2 \bar{P}_i^{\text{med}}(x, k_{\perp}^2) \rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x}, & \text{small } E; \\ \frac{1}{x^3}, & \text{large } E. \end{cases}$$

# Probing coherent vs. incoherent energy loss of subjects

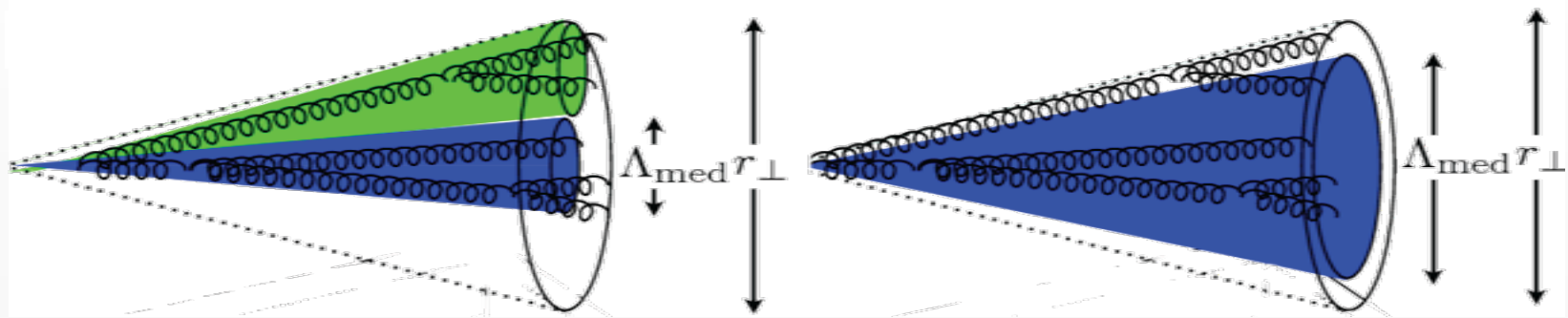


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Transverse separation:

$$r_{\perp} = \theta \tau_f = \theta \frac{2Ex(1-x)}{k_{\perp}^2} = \theta \frac{1}{2Ex(1-x)\tan(\frac{\theta}{2})^2}$$

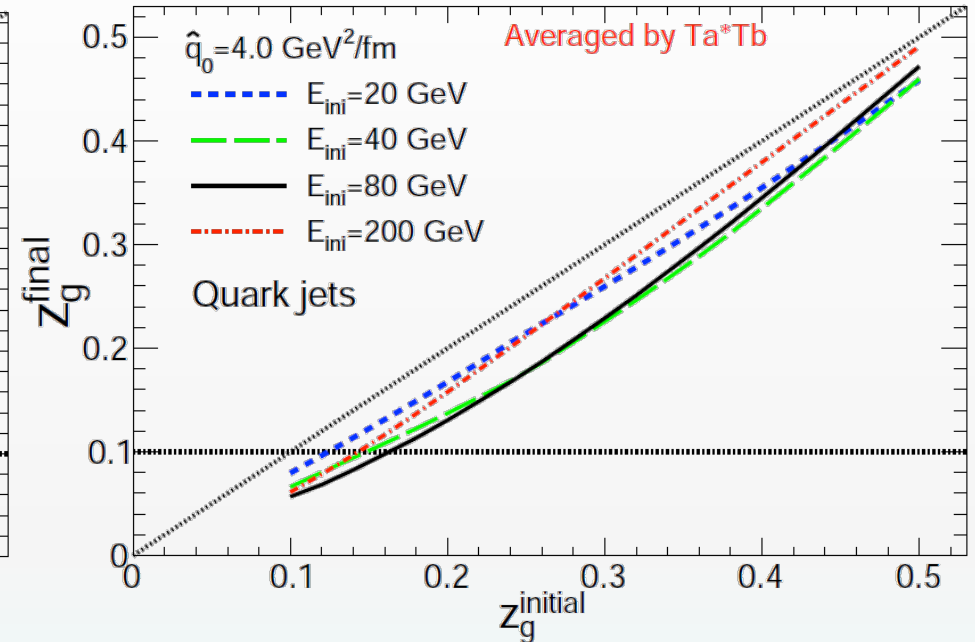
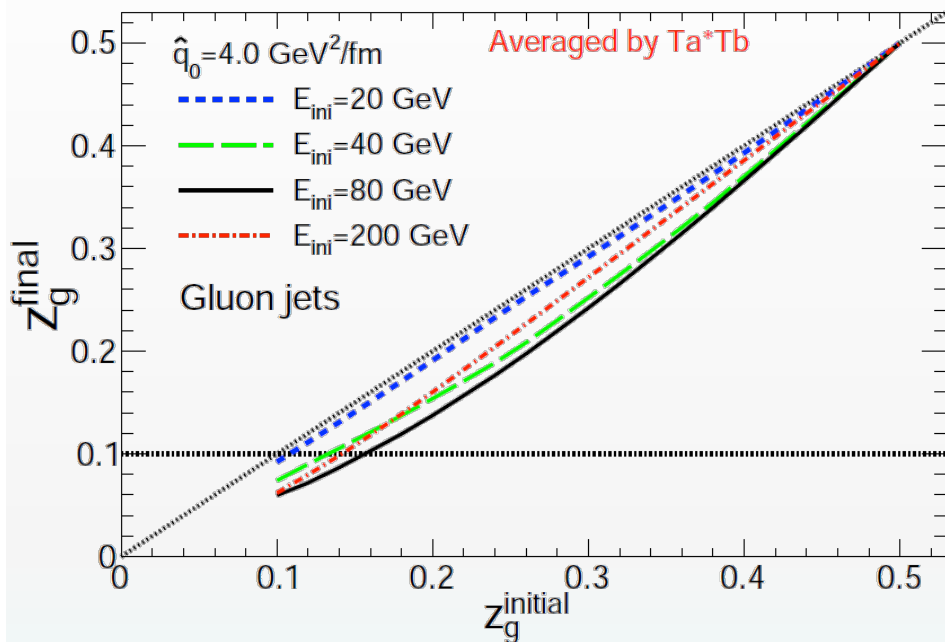
Transverse wavelength:

$$\lambda_{\perp} = \frac{1}{k_{\perp}} = \frac{1}{2Ex(1-x)\tan(\frac{\theta}{2})}$$

Medium transverse resolution scale:

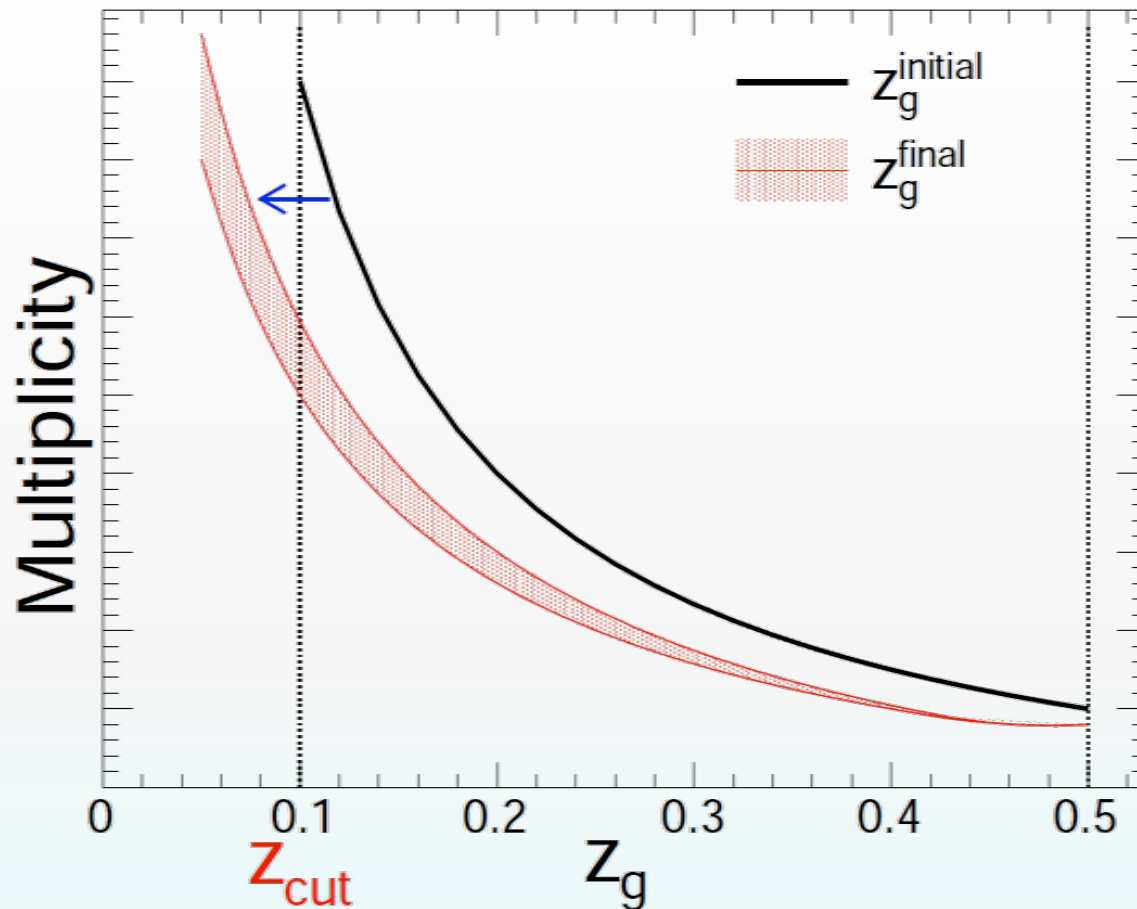
$$\Lambda_{med} = \frac{1}{\hat{q}L}$$

# Effect of the incoherent energy loss



- Within HT, parton with larger energy loses smaller fractional energy through the medium.
- $Z_g$  shifts to smaller value due to subjects incoherent energy loss.

# Effect of the incoherent energy loss

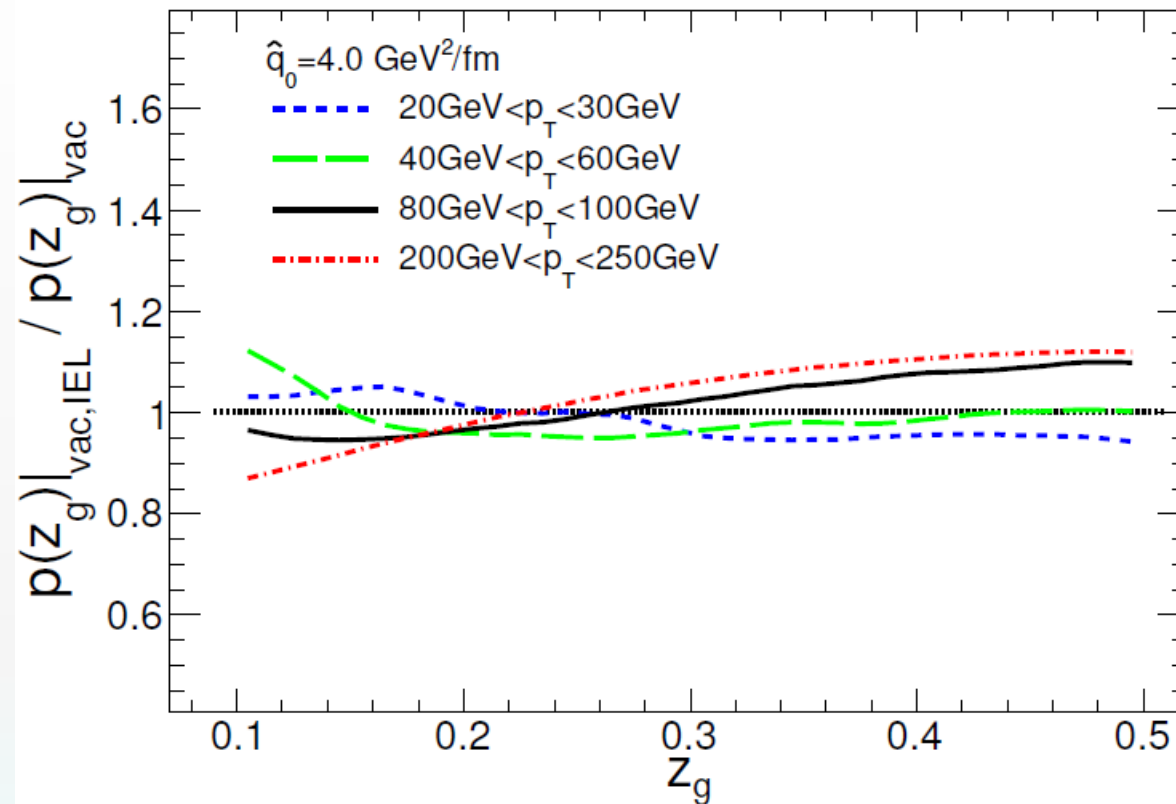


The  $z_g$  distribution is always self-normalized.

$$p^{\text{fin}}(z_g^{\text{fin}}) = \frac{\frac{dN^{\text{fin}}}{dz_g^{\text{fin}}}}{\int_{z_{\text{cut}}}^{1/2} dz_g^{\text{fin}} \frac{dN^{\text{fin}}}{dz_g^{\text{fin}}}}$$

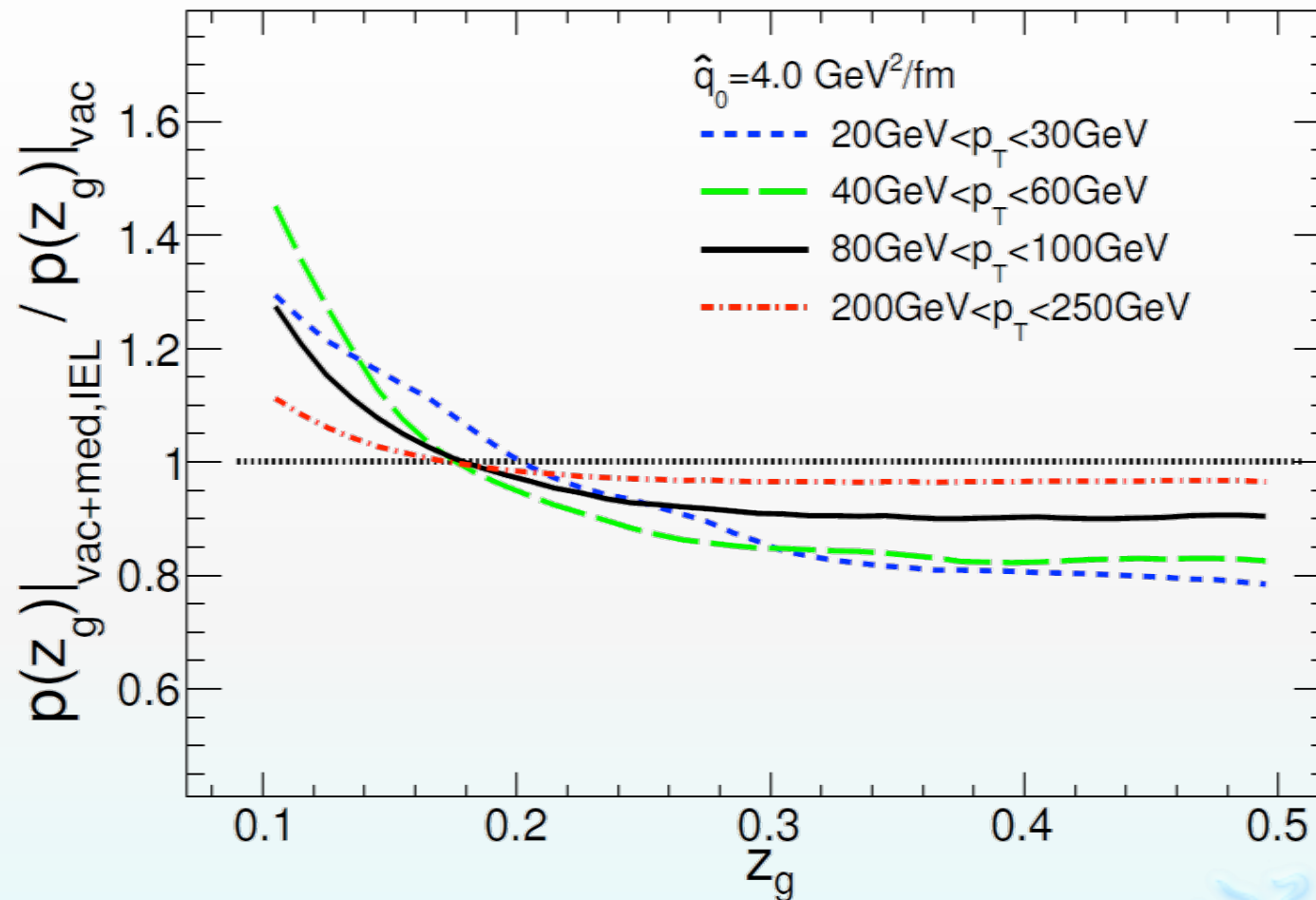
$Z_g$  shifts to smaller value due to subjects incoherent energy loss. But  $p(Z_g)$  at small  $Z_g$  is not necessarily enhanced. The shape of  $p(Z_g)$  can be flattened instead.

# Effect of the incoherent eLoss on vac $P(z)$



Applying **IEL** effect ( $z_g$  shift effect) on the pure vacuum splitting function leads to an enhancement of the medium modification factor at large  $z_g$ .

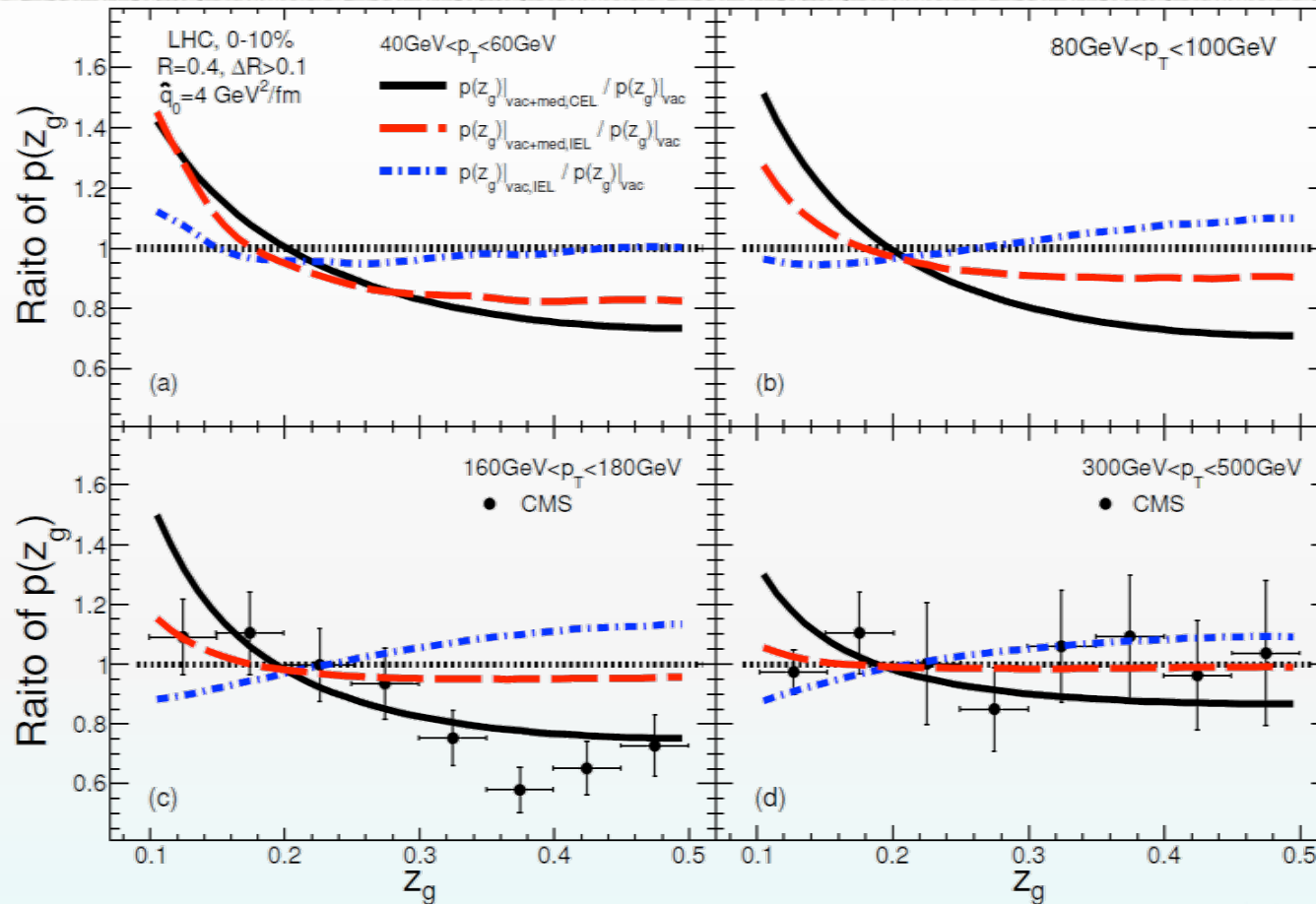
# Effect of the incoherent energy loss



Applying **IEL** on medium-modified splitting, the non-monotonic behavior disappears .



# Effect of the incoherent energy loss



- Experimental data favor the **CEL** picture.
- One should interpret this conclusion with care: IEL vs. CEL depends on the **jet energy**, and the **choice of R and  $\Delta R$** .

# Summary and outlook

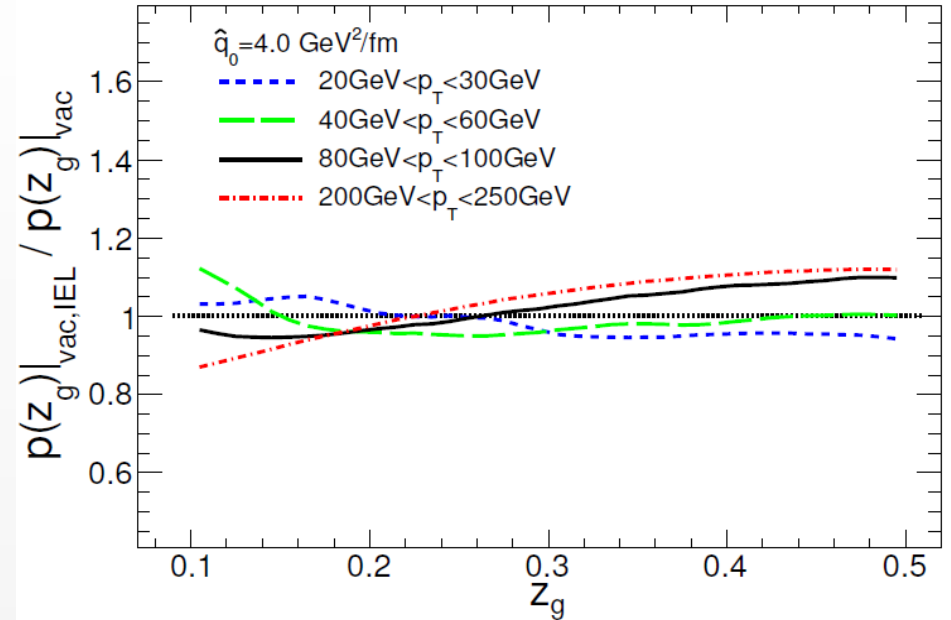
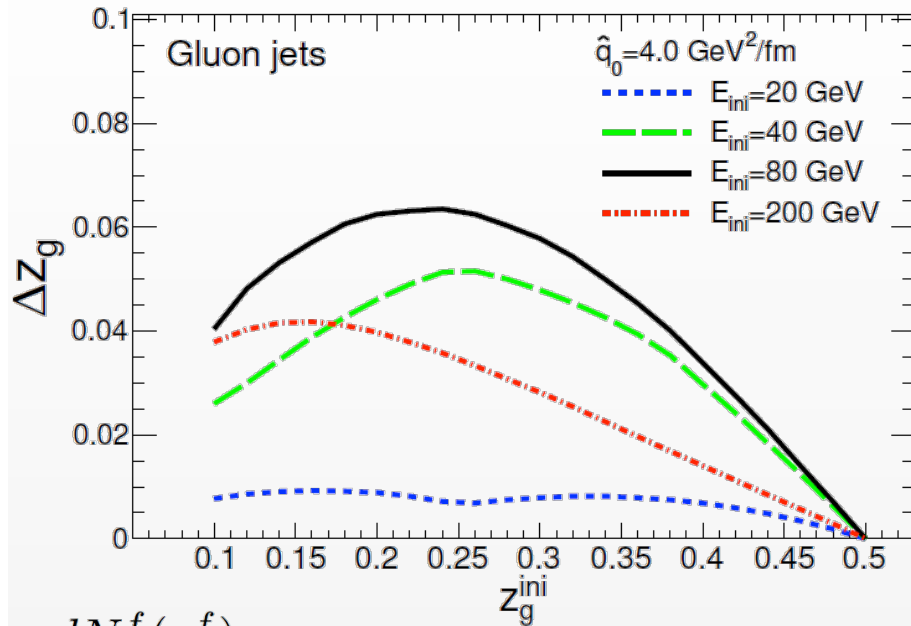
- ◆ Two factors of the medium induced splitting function render the non-monotonic nuclear modification to the groomed jet splitting function.
- ◆ **Measurements with wider  $p_T$  range at RHIC and the LHC can test our finding.**
- ◆ CMS and STAR data favor coherent energy loss picture (within current kinematics)
- ◆ **Measurements with varying the jet cone size and the angular separation between the two subjects can detect the effect of incoherent energy loss.**

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# Backup



# Effect of the incoherent energy loss



$$\frac{dN^f(z_g^f)}{dz_g^f}$$

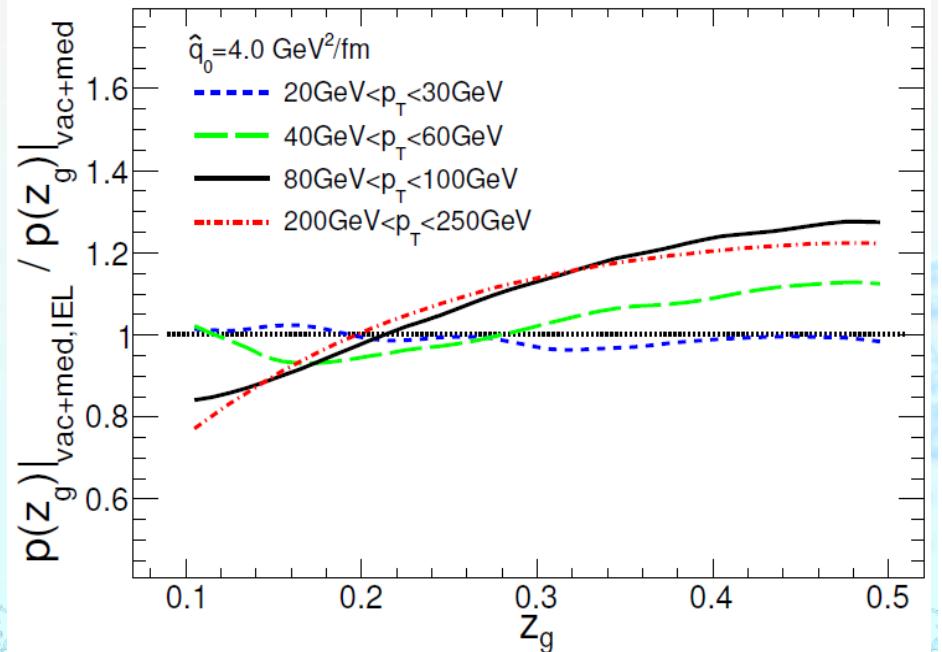
$$= \frac{1}{(z_g^i)^\alpha} \frac{dz_g^i}{dz_g^f} p(z_g)$$

$$= \frac{1}{(z_g^f + \Delta z_g(z_g^i))^\alpha} \frac{dz_g^i}{dz_g^f}$$

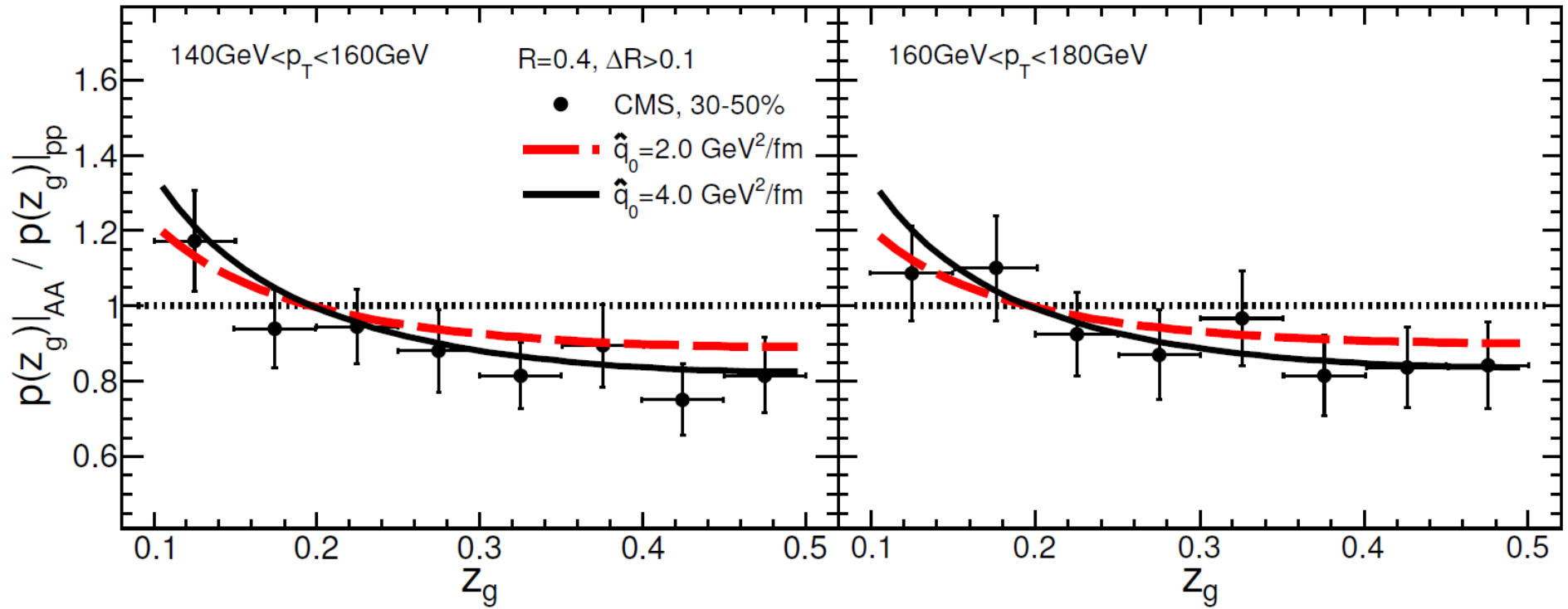
$$\approx \frac{1}{(z_g^f)^\alpha} \left(1 - \alpha \frac{\Delta z_g(z_g^i)}{z_g^f}\right) \frac{1}{1 - \frac{d\Delta z_g(z_g^i)}{dz_g^i}}$$

**$Z_g$  shift flattens  $p(Z_g)$ ,  
Jacobian steepens**

**$p(z_g)$**



# Comparison with CMS data of mid-central collision



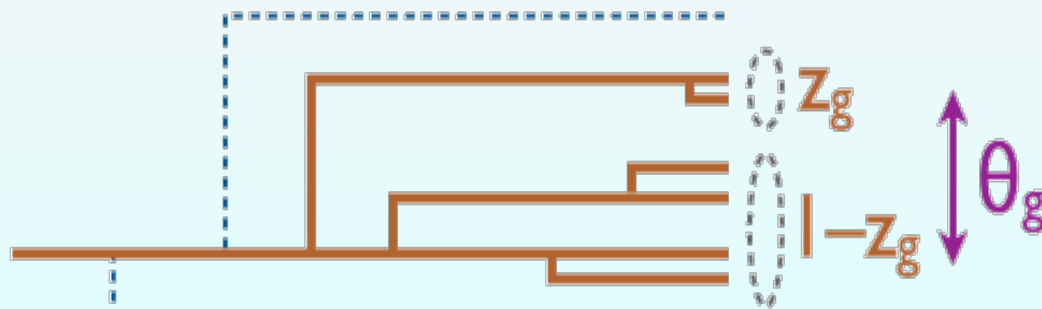
$$\mathcal{P}_{q \rightarrow qg}^{vac} = \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{\pi} C_F \frac{1 + (1-x)^2}{x} \frac{1}{k_\perp},$$

$$\mathcal{P}_{q \rightarrow gq}^{vac} = \mathcal{P}_{q \rightarrow qg}^{vac}(x \rightarrow 1-x),$$

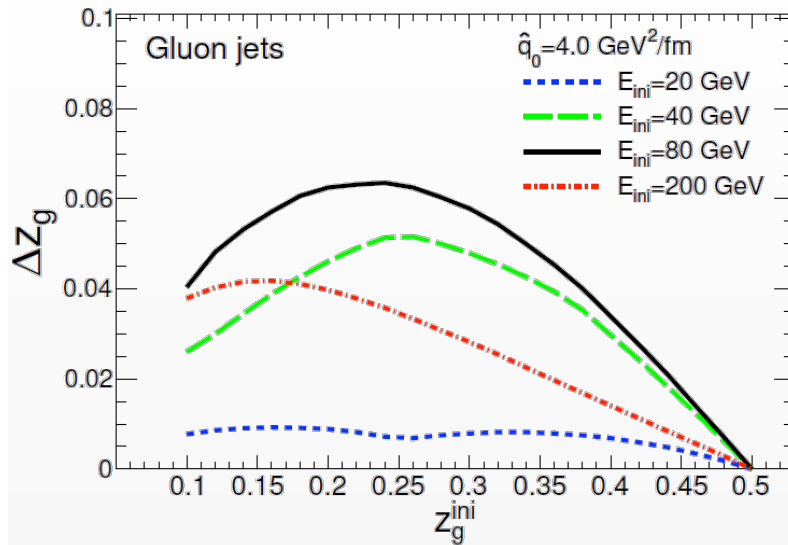
$$\mathcal{P}_{g \rightarrow q\bar{q}}^{vac} = \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{\pi} T_F n_f \left[ x^2 + (1-x)^2 \right] \frac{1}{k_\perp},$$

$$\mathcal{P}_{g \rightarrow gg}^{vac} = \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{\pi} C_A \left[ \frac{1-x}{x} + \frac{x}{1-x} + x(1-x) \right] \frac{1}{k_\perp}$$

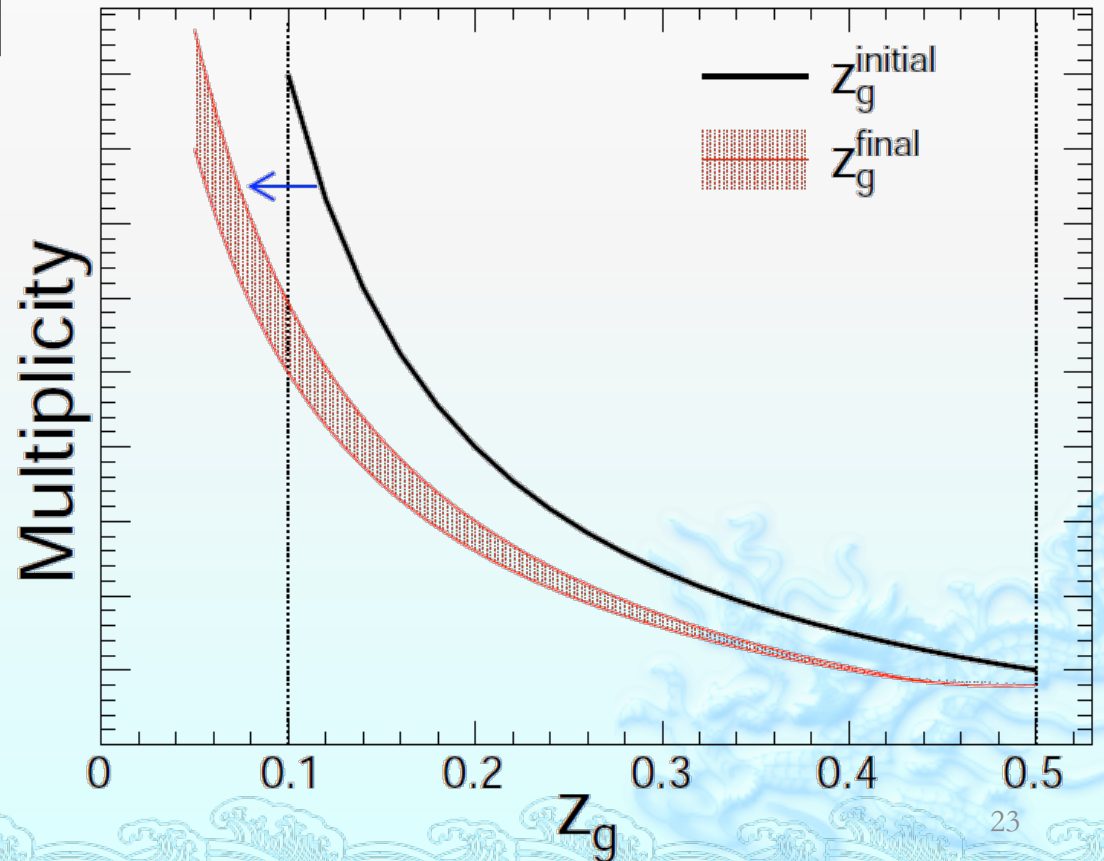
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Jacobian steepens  $p(z_g)$



$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{dN^f(z_g^f)}{dz_g^f} \\ &= \frac{1}{(z_g^i)^\alpha} \frac{dz_g^i}{dz_g^f} \\ &= \frac{1}{(z_g^f + \Delta z_g(z_g^i))^\alpha} \frac{dz_g^i}{dz_g^f} \\ &\approx \frac{1}{(z_g^f)^\alpha} \left(1 - \alpha \frac{\Delta z_g(z_g^i)}{z_g^f}\right) \frac{1}{1 - \frac{d\Delta z_g(z_g^i)}{dz_g^i}} \end{aligned}$$

