

# Heavy quark correlations

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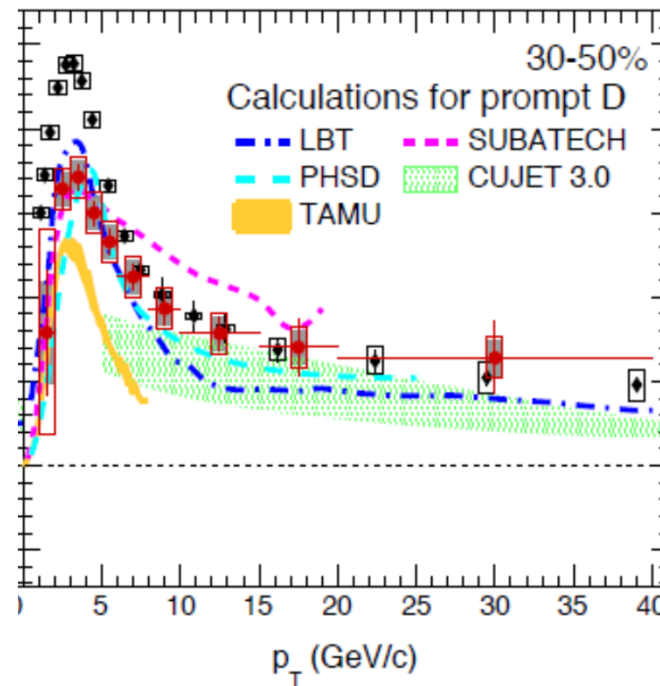
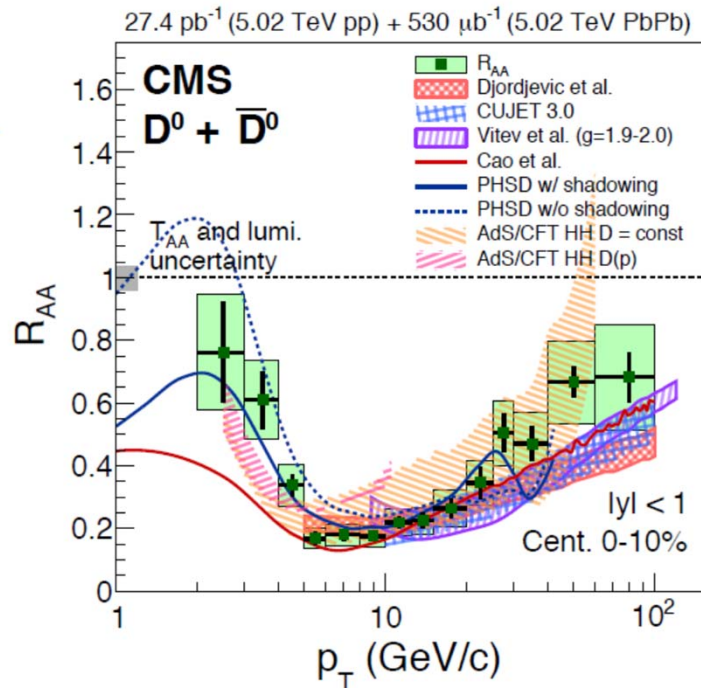
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# (Short) Motivation

- Nowadays, a large variety of models (most of them presented as “effective approaches”) are confronted with the data for the  $R_{AA}$  &  $v_2$  single particle observables



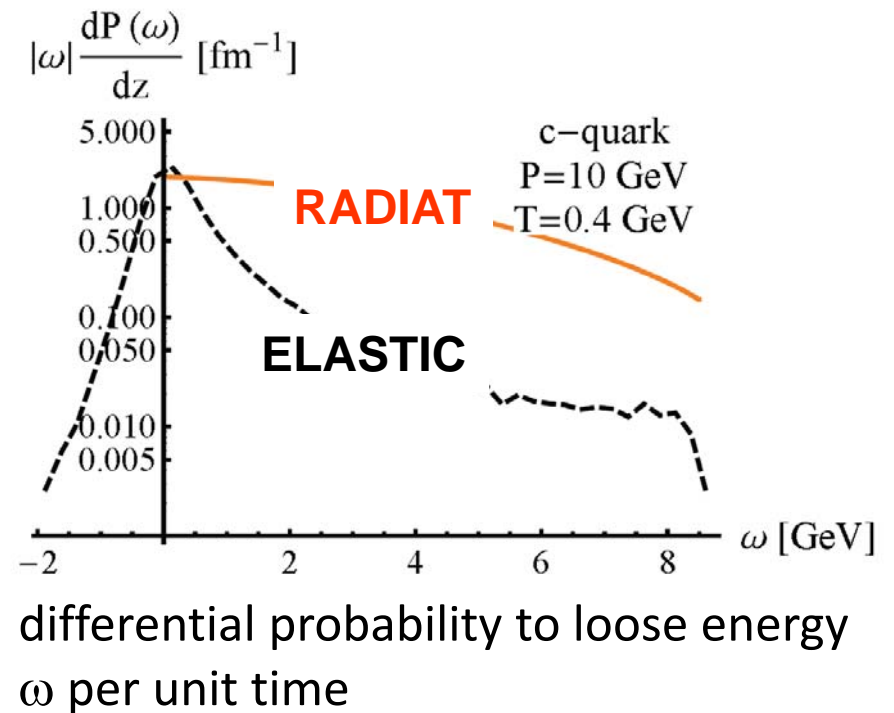
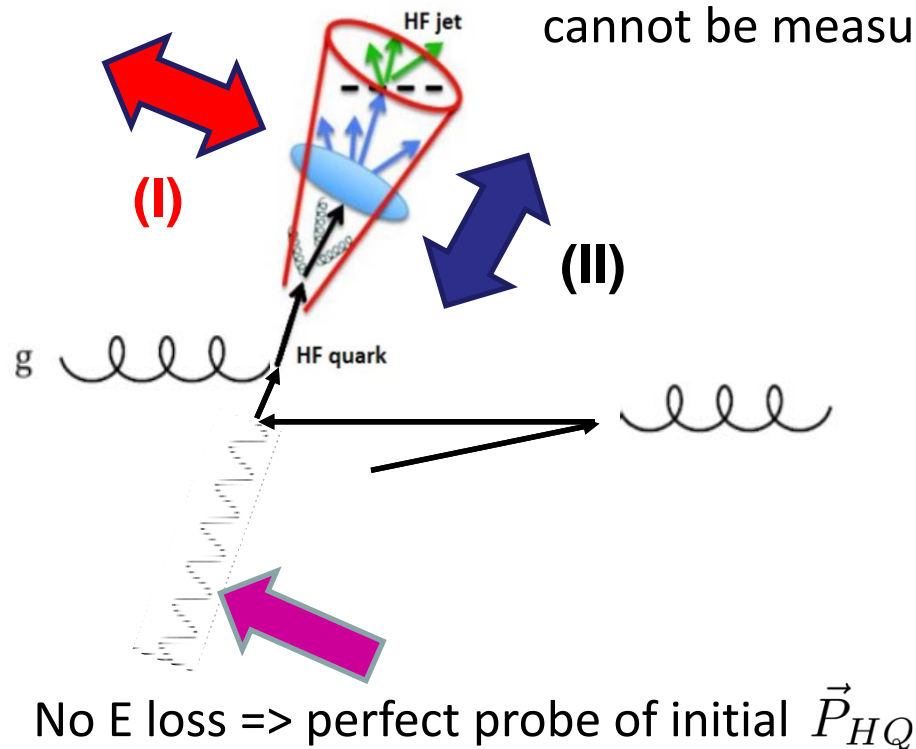
**CMS Talk by Gian Michele Innocenti, 30 Oct**

- For the purpose of making the contact with the fundamental theory (see the case presented by R. Rapp), it is desirable to “constrain / pre-sort / rule out” some of the approaches
- Very often, correlations are advocated to be useful in this respect (**warning: main viewpoint adopted in this presentation**)

# How does it help ? Best HF Correlation ever ?

➤  $\gamma$  – D/B/c jet /b jet:

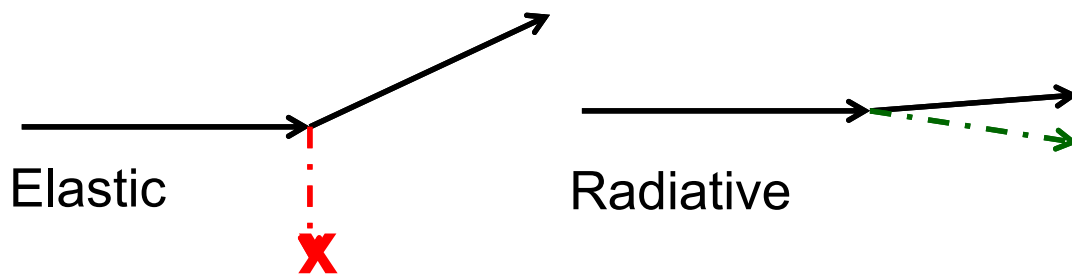
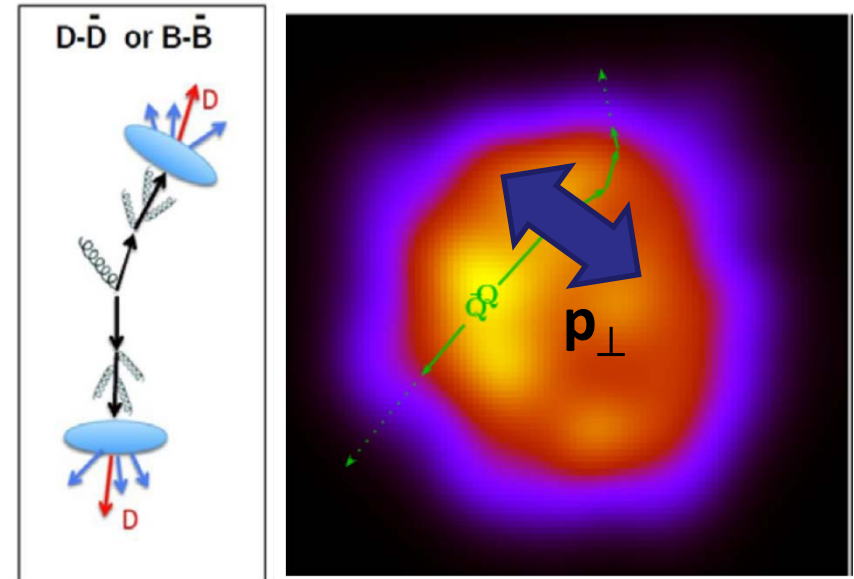
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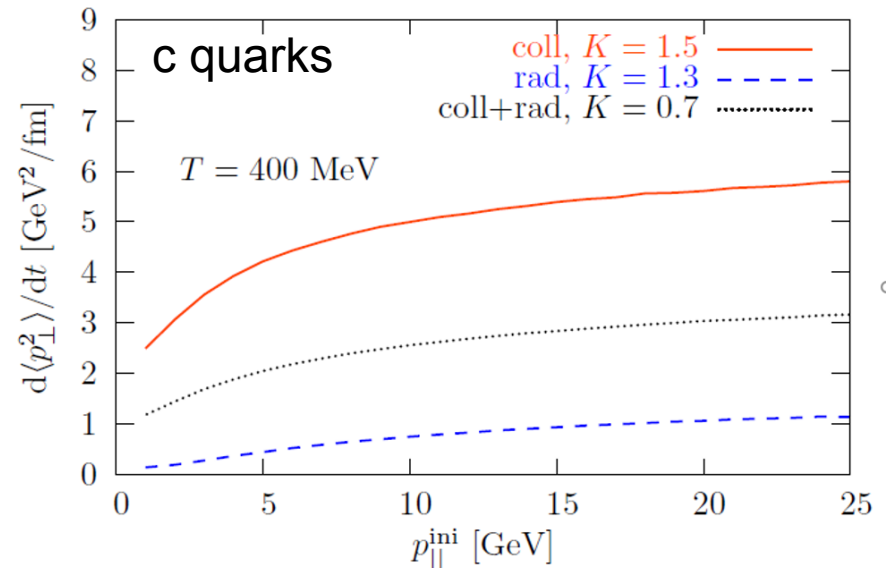
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# Next best thing: HF-HF correlations

- Back to back D/Dbar or B/Bbar: As compared to  $\gamma$ -D/B: “trigger” itself is affected but symmetry between both particles limitates the various effects.
- Elastic Eloss vs radiative Eloss: **The purely collisional scatterings lead to a larger average  $\langle p_{\perp}^2 \rangle$  then the radiative “corrections”** (need for large scattering to be efficient)... although both types can give correct agreement with the data at intermediate  $p_T$ .



- Expected consequences for azimuthal correlations (probe of  $B_T$ : good: **complimentary** to usual RAA and  $v_2$ )

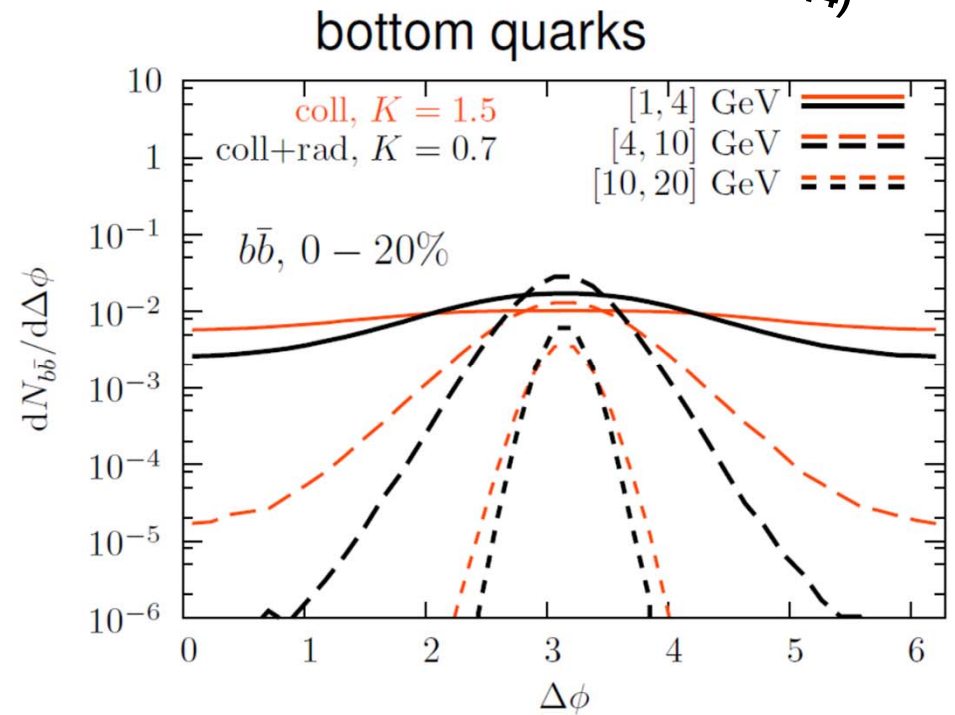
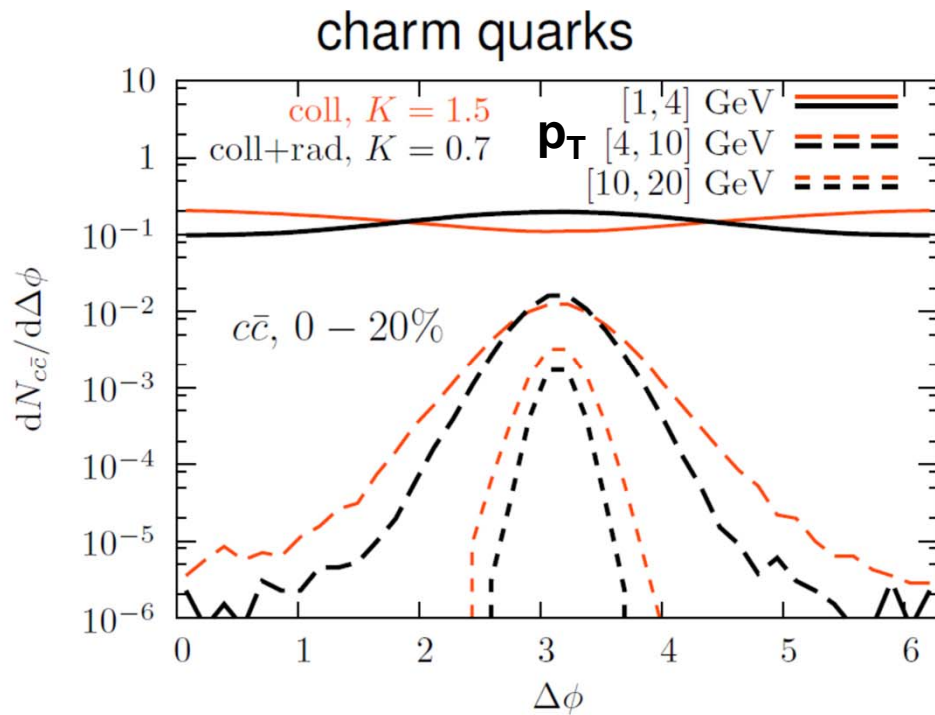


Tuned to reproduce the  $R_{AA}$

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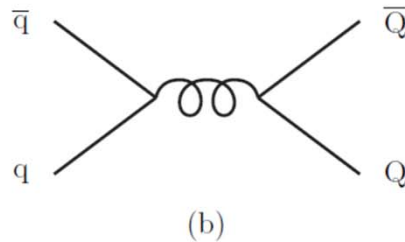
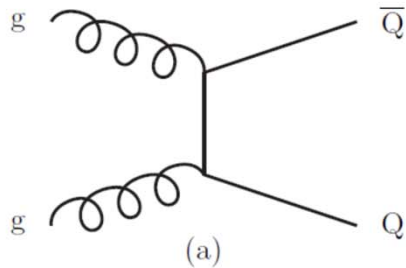
- Assumption of back 2 back emission of initial QQbar (naïve LO...)



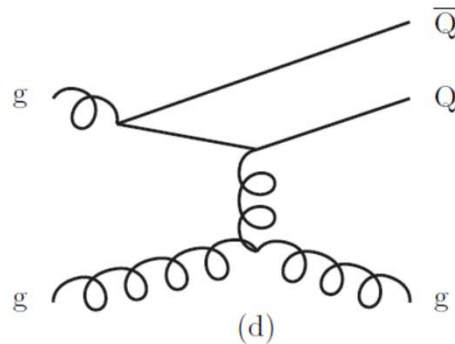
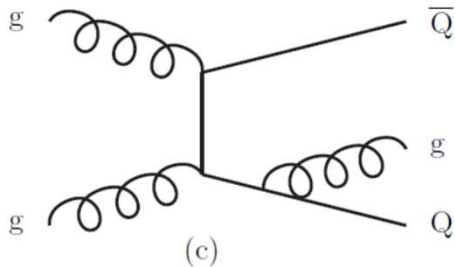
- Indeed, rather large differences found for both b and c, and all kind of  $p_T$  cuts (... but good to see there is an effect though,...)
- For the smallest  $p_T$  bin and elastic energy loss, we even find an inversion of the correlation (“hot partonic wind” push;  $v_0$  bulk  $\Rightarrow v_1$  correl; underlying event)

# Next best thing: azimuthal correlations

➤ ...but higher orders can have a significant impact:



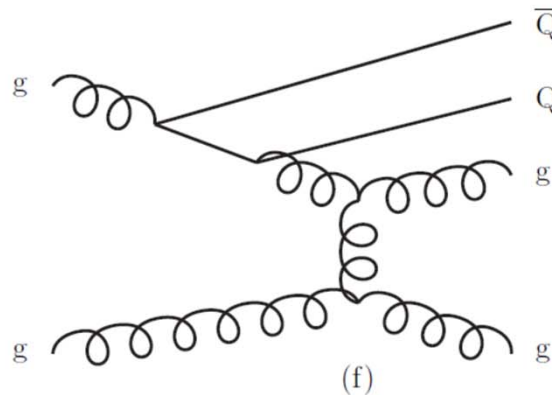
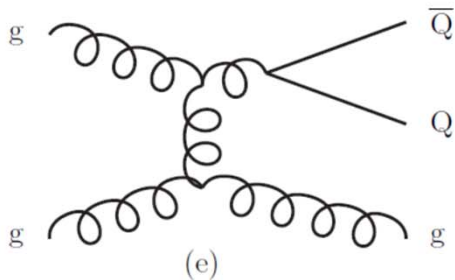
➤ LO; (a): back to back peak



➤ NLO;

(c): “blurring” of B2B peak

(d): “flavor excitation”: no strong azimuthal correlation expected

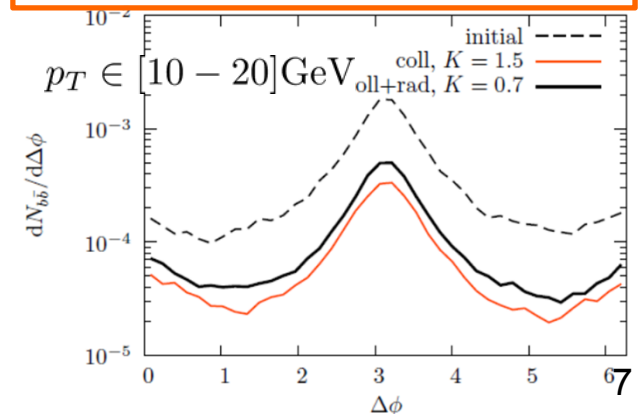
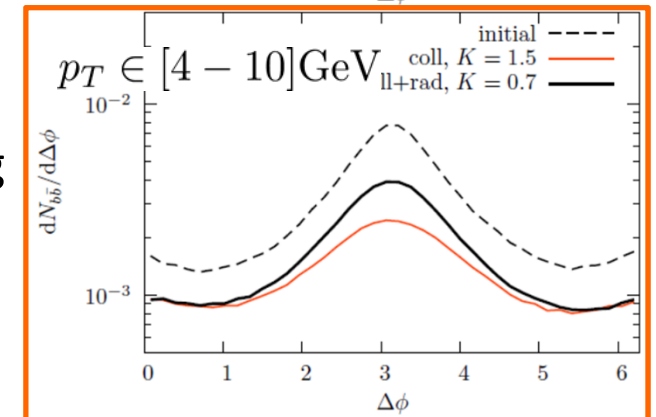
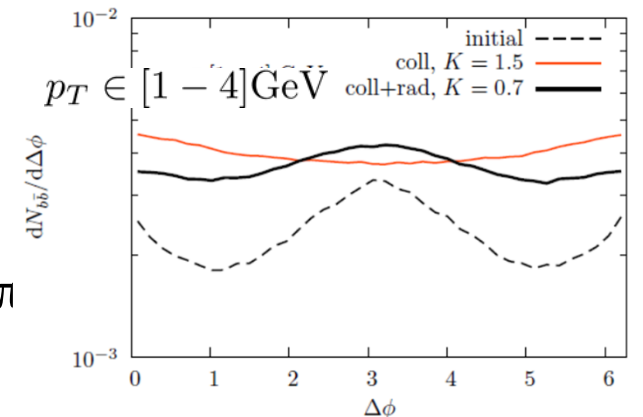


(e): gluon splitting: strong peak around  $\Delta\phi=0$

(f): higher order FE; both Q and Qbar in the “remnant” region

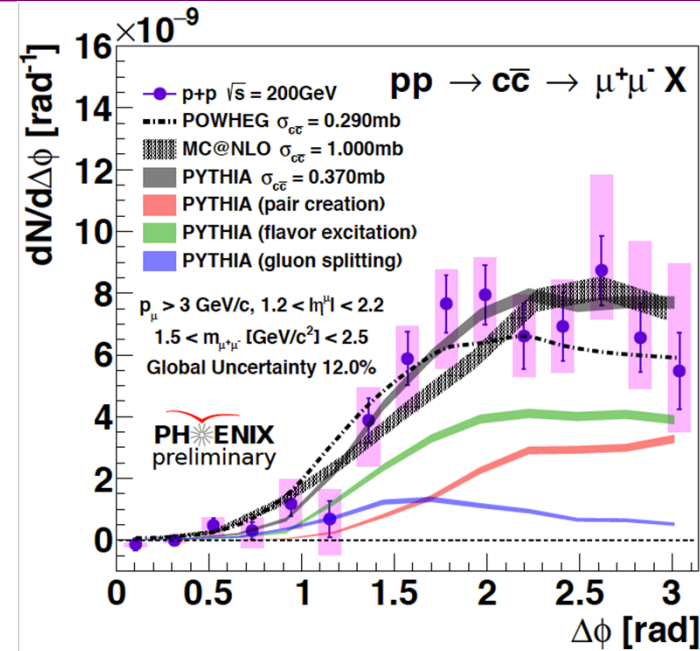
# Next best thing: azimuthal correlations

- NLO effect simulated with MC@NLO + HERWIG (parton shower)
- Gluon splitting processes lead to an initial enhancement of the correlations around  $\Delta\phi=0$ ; Strong broadening of the  $\Delta\phi=\pi$  peak (“vacuum” radiation is dominant)
- For intermediate  $p_T$  : increase of the variances due to Eloss from 0.43 (initial NLO) to 0.51 (+20%) for the purely elastic mechanisms and to 0.47 (+10%) for the interaction including **radiative** corrections.
- Correlations at large  $p_T$  seem to be dominated by the initial correlations. **Nothing will be learned on the Eloss mechanisms in this region**
- Different NLO+parton shower approaches agree on bottom quark production, differences remain for charm quark production
- Confirmation by other groups (Duke, CCNU-LBL,...)

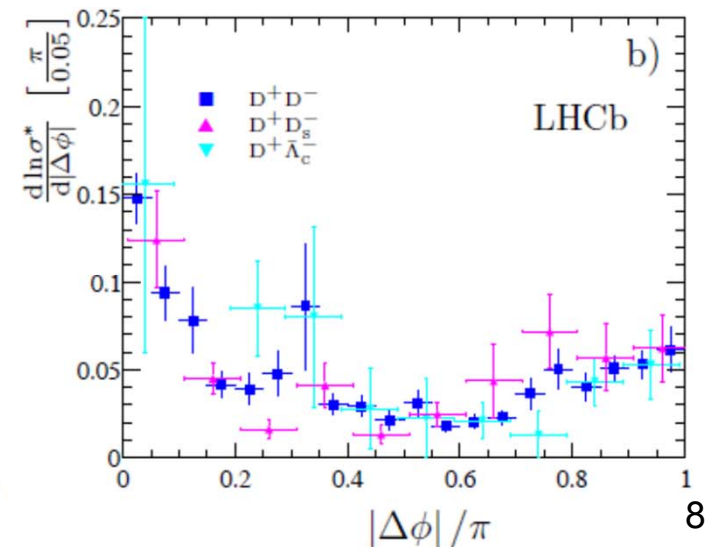
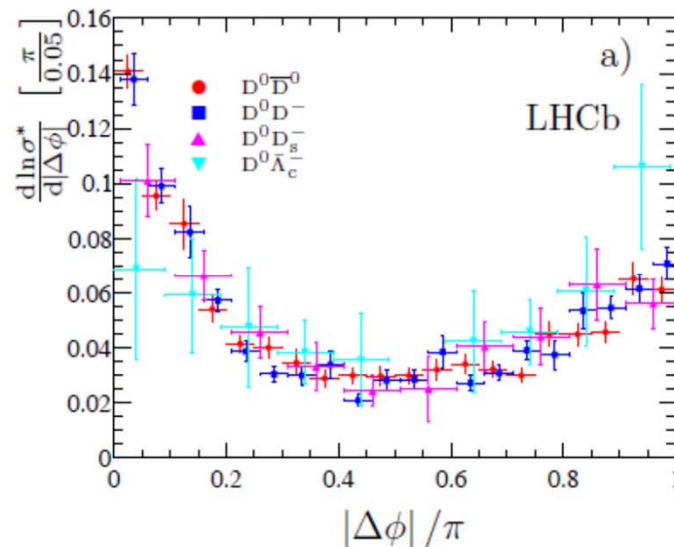


# Azimuthal correlations from experimental viewpoint

- Measured in pp both at RHIC and LHC (rising gluon splitting peak)
- Not even sure one could resolve a 10% difference in the width for the pp !!!
- A+A: expected after upgrades ?



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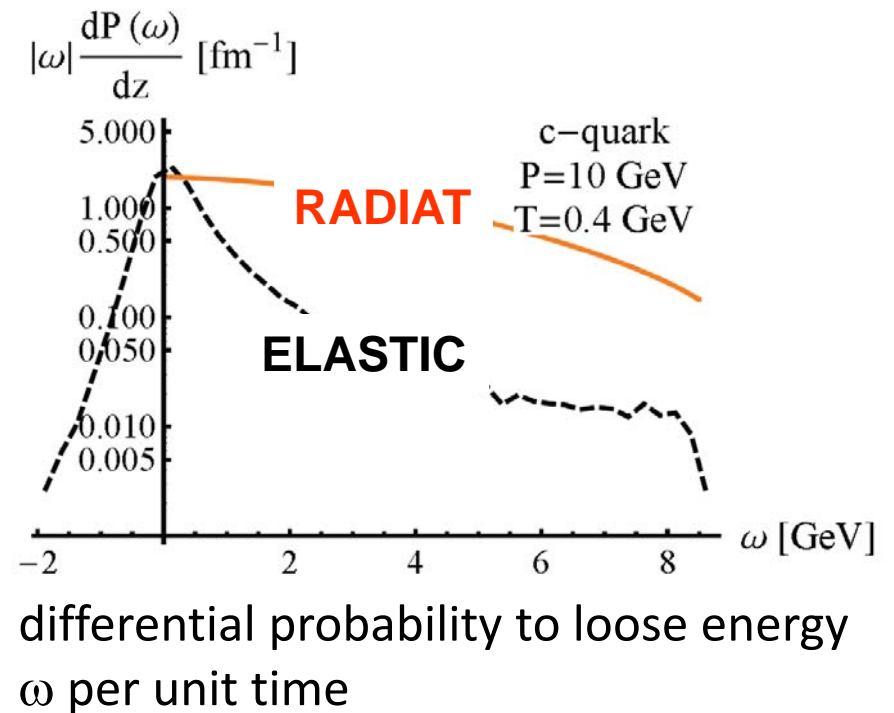
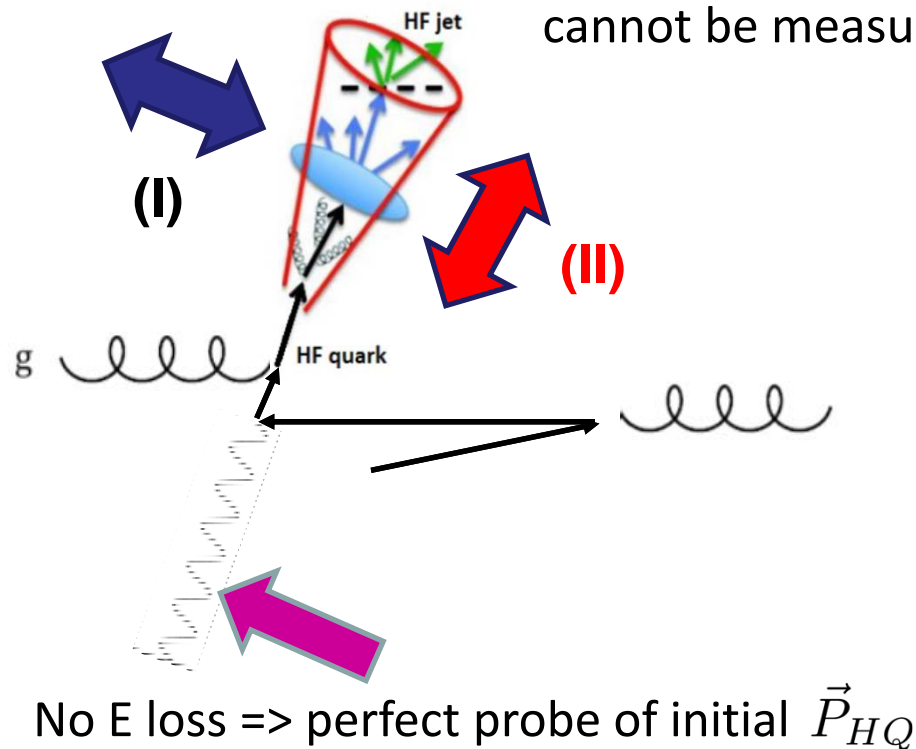
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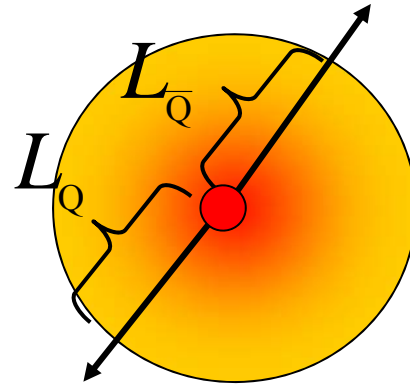
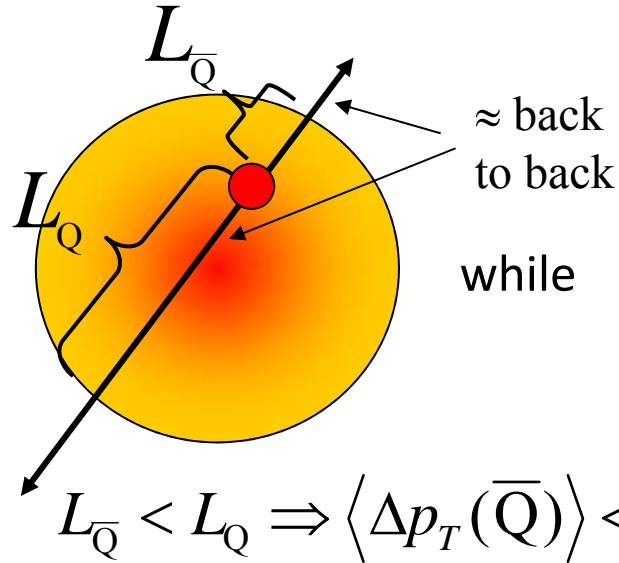
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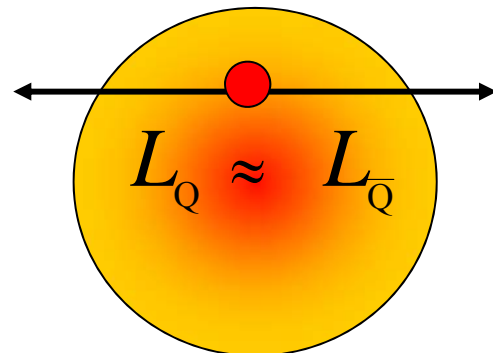
- Challenge: tagging on the “central” Q, i.e. getting closer to the ideal “penetrating probe” concept:



$$L_{\bar{Q}} \approx L_Q \Rightarrow \langle \Delta p_T(\bar{Q}) \rangle \approx \langle \Delta p_T(Q) \rangle$$

- Reversing the argument: selecting  $\langle \Delta p_T(\bar{Q}) \rangle \approx \langle \Delta p_T(Q) \rangle$  might bias the data in favor of “central” pairs

Possible caveat:

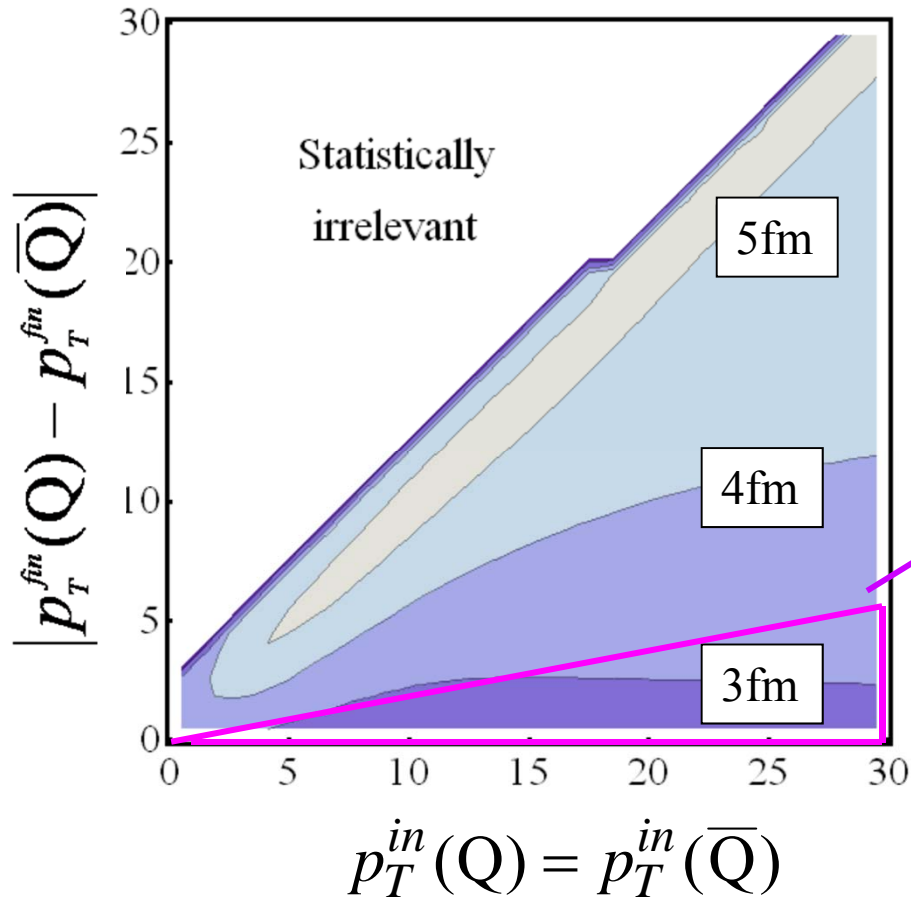


$\Rightarrow$  Need for a detailed study

Gossiaux et al, PHYSICAL REVIEW C 79, 044906 (2009)

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Average transv.-dist. to center as a function of  $\Delta p_T^{\text{fin}}$  for various  $p_T^{\text{in}}$



Indeed some (favorable) bias for init  $p_T^{\text{in}} > 5\text{GeV}/c$  and “small”  $\Delta p_T^{\text{fin}}$

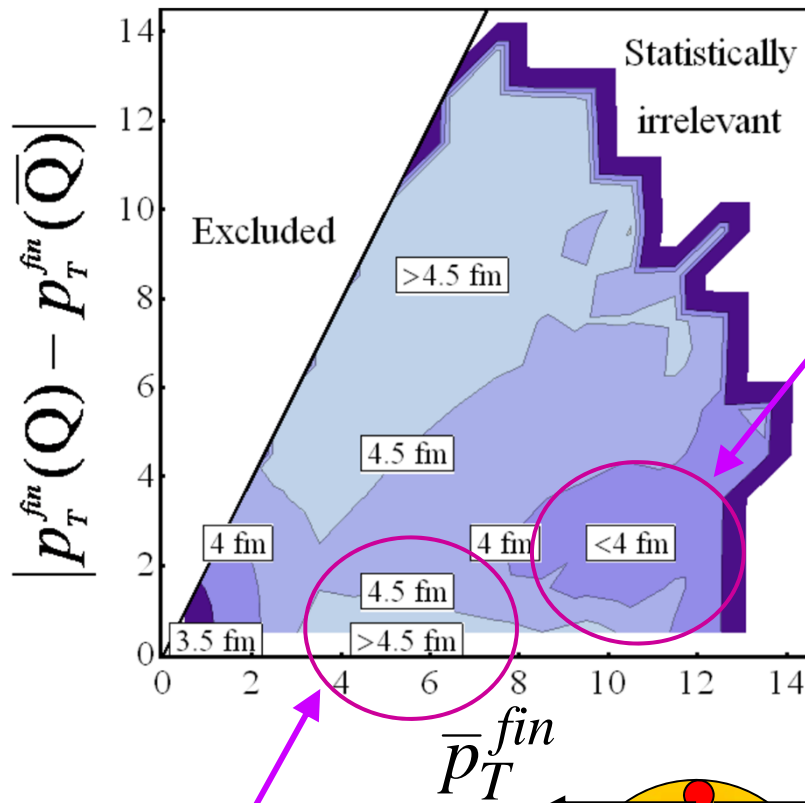
Hope to probe hotter regions of the QGP

However: No access to  $p_T^{\text{in}}$  !!!

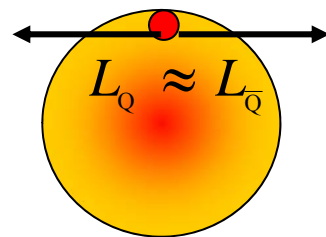
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**Best ansatz:**  $p_T^{in}(Q) \rightarrow \bar{p}_T^{fin} := \frac{p_T^{fin}(Q) + p_T^{fin}(\bar{Q})}{2}$

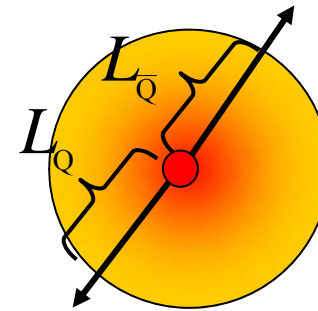
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Tangential production

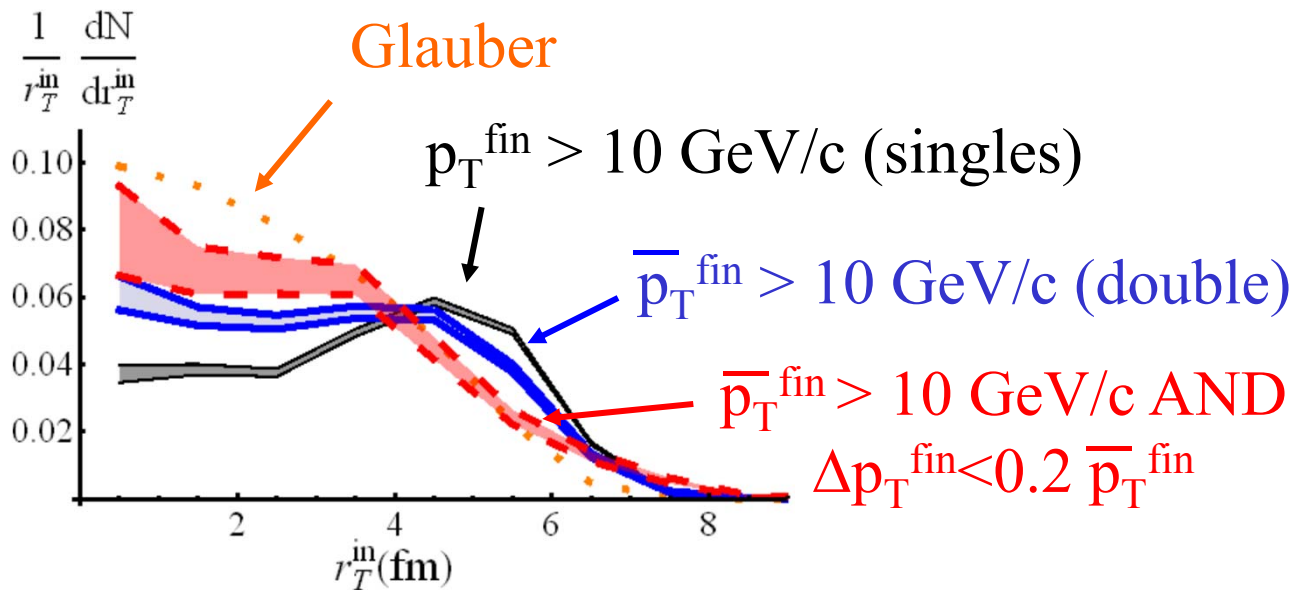
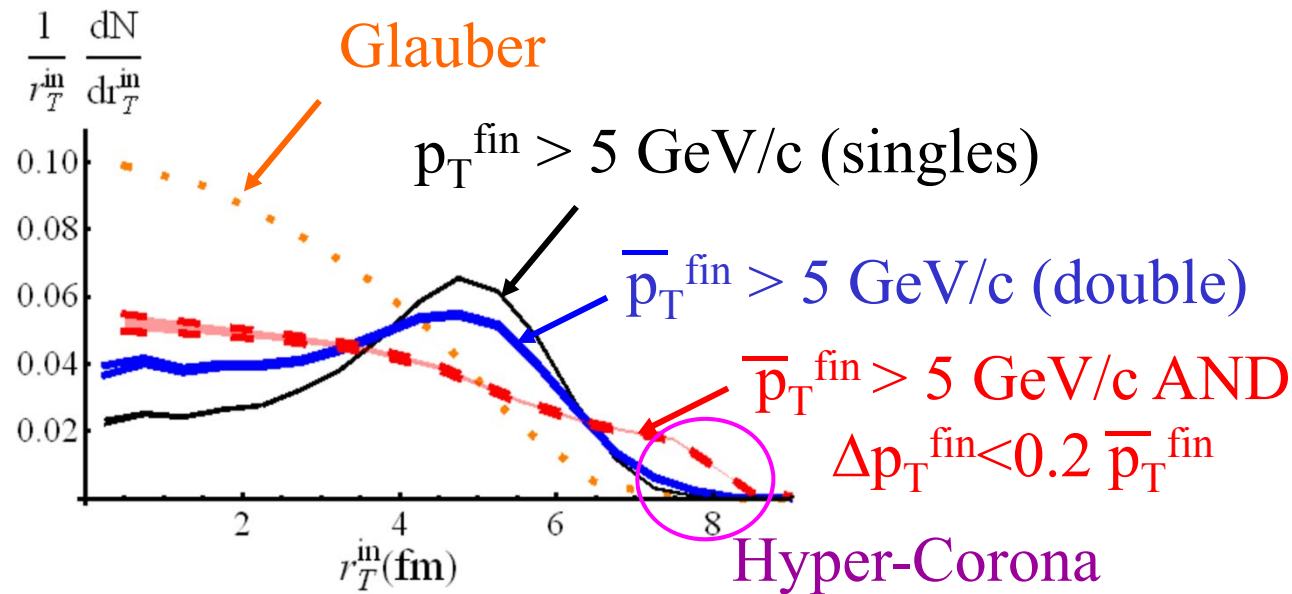


Central production:



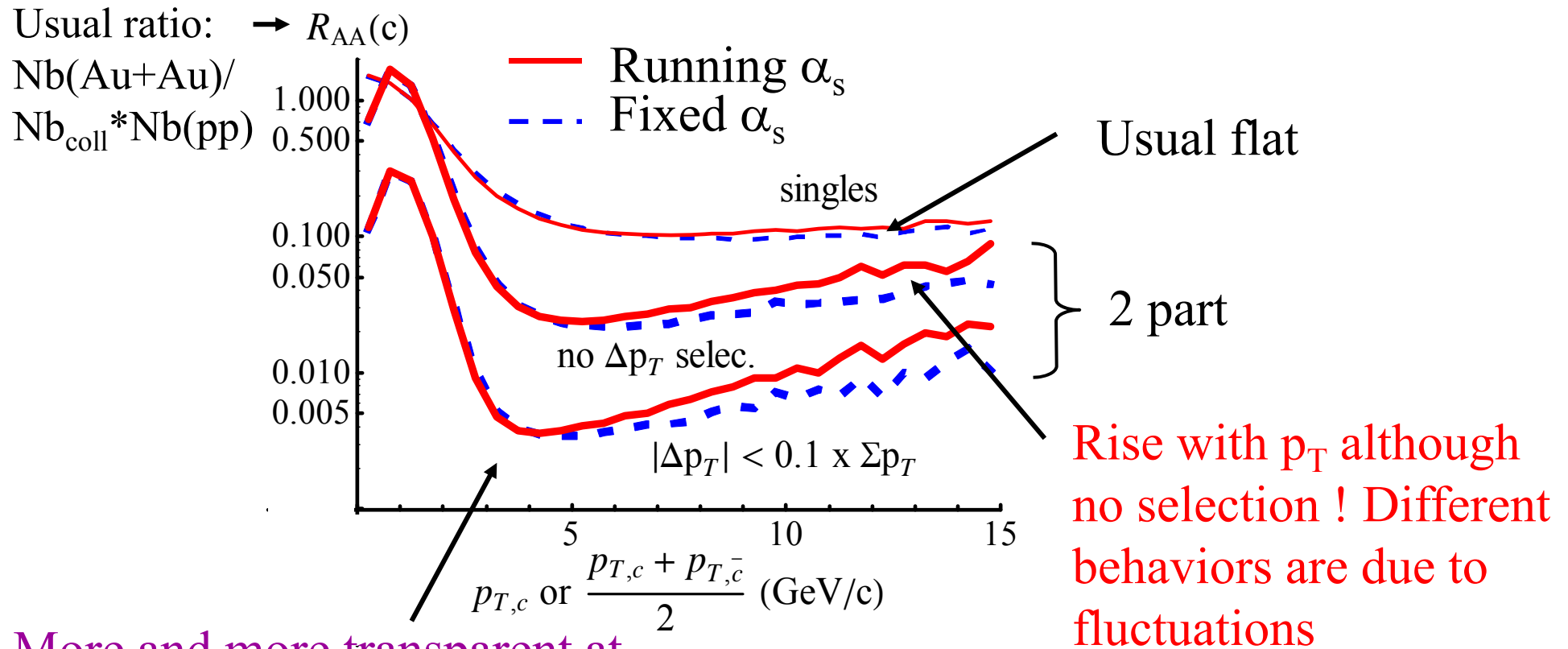
Conclusion: Favorable bias for  $\text{av. } p_T^{fin} > 8 \text{ GeV}/c$  and “small”  $\Delta p_T^{fin}$

# momentum imbalance for hot core: back to $r_T$ distributions



- Final cuts lead to various distributions of initial position
- One nearly recovers the Glauber profile for most severe cut

# momentum imbalance: increase $R_{AA}$ sensitivity

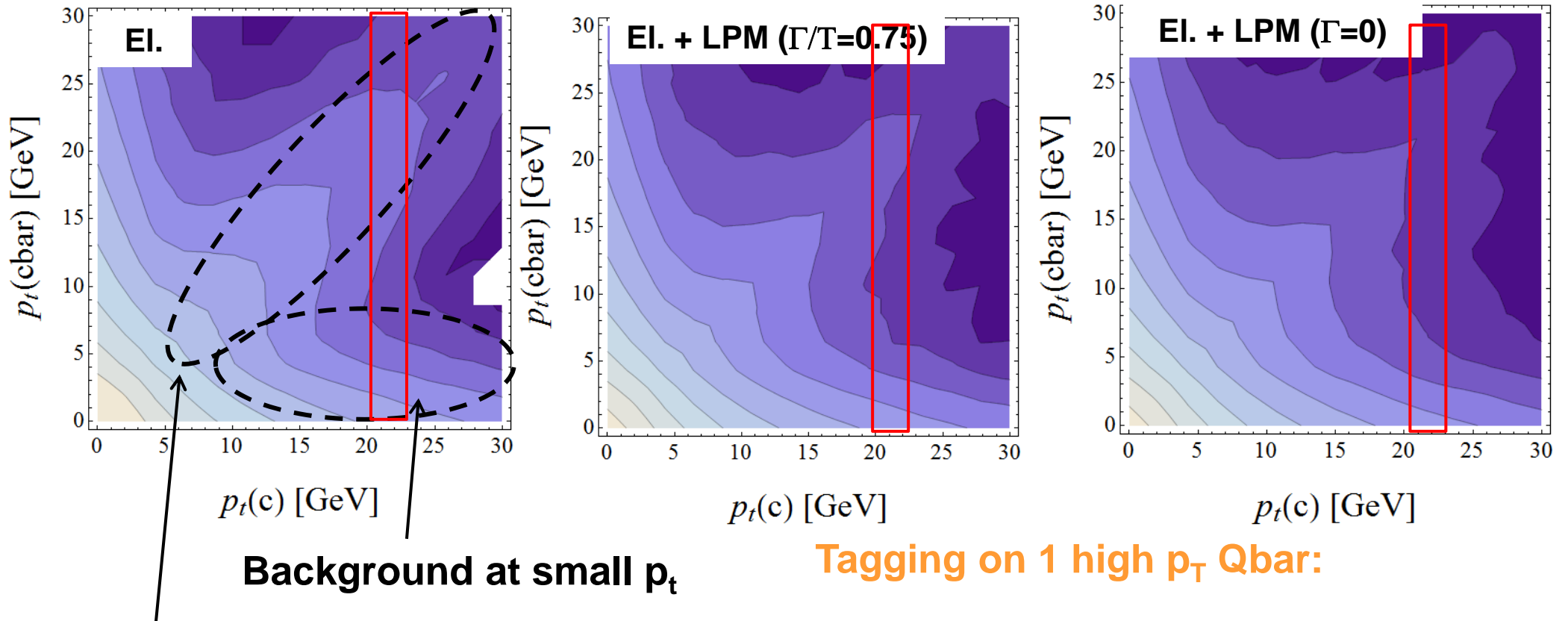


More and more transparent at large  $p_T$  for HQ from center

Close to experimental prediction but not yet (Hadronization, NLO at the time of production, background subtraction,...)

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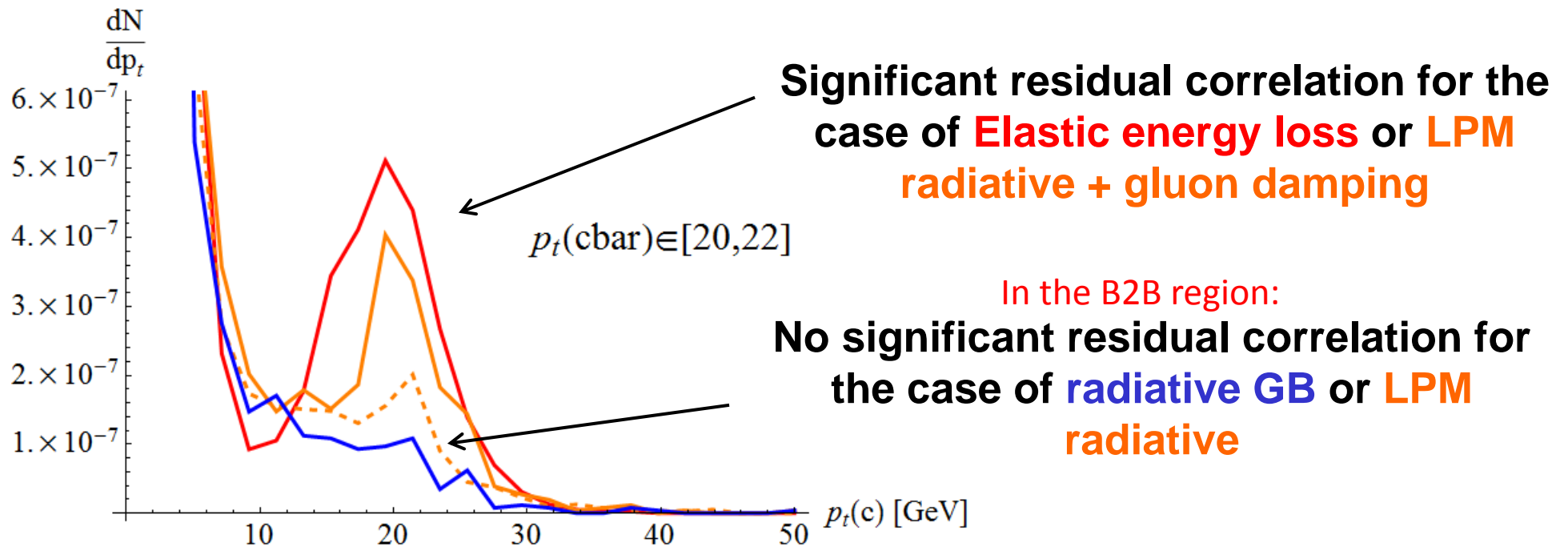
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Residual correlation after evolution through QGP  
(similar path length for most of HQ produced in the core of the reaction)

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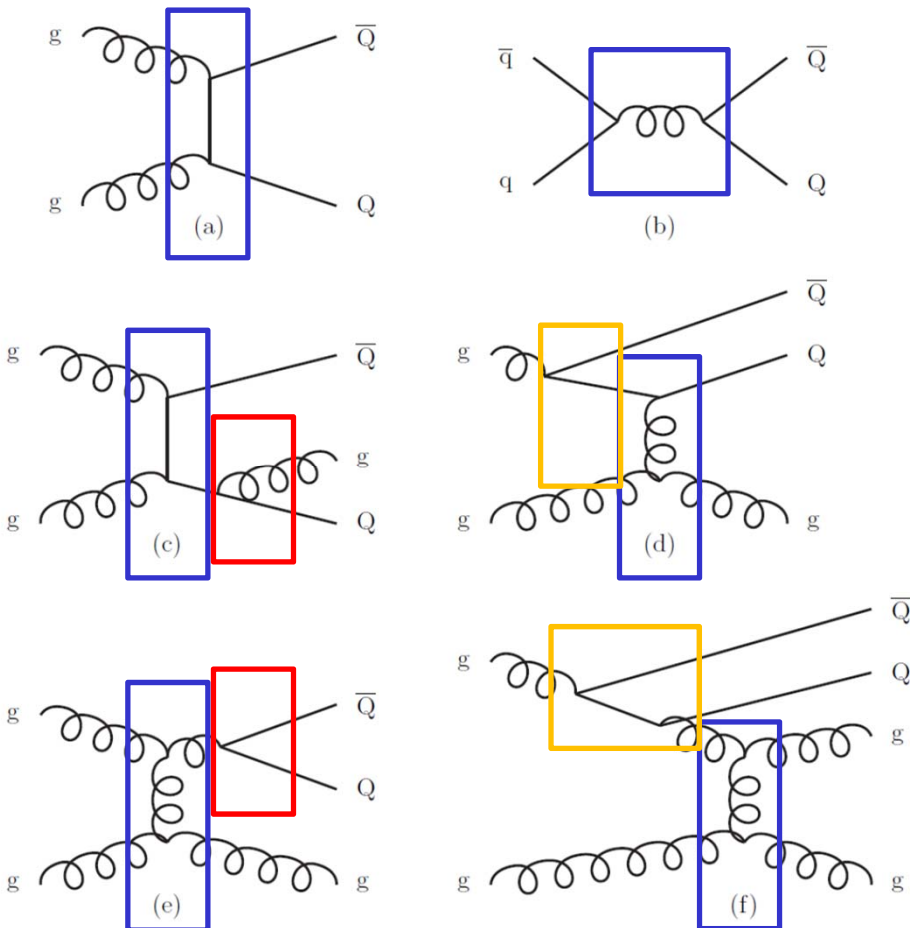


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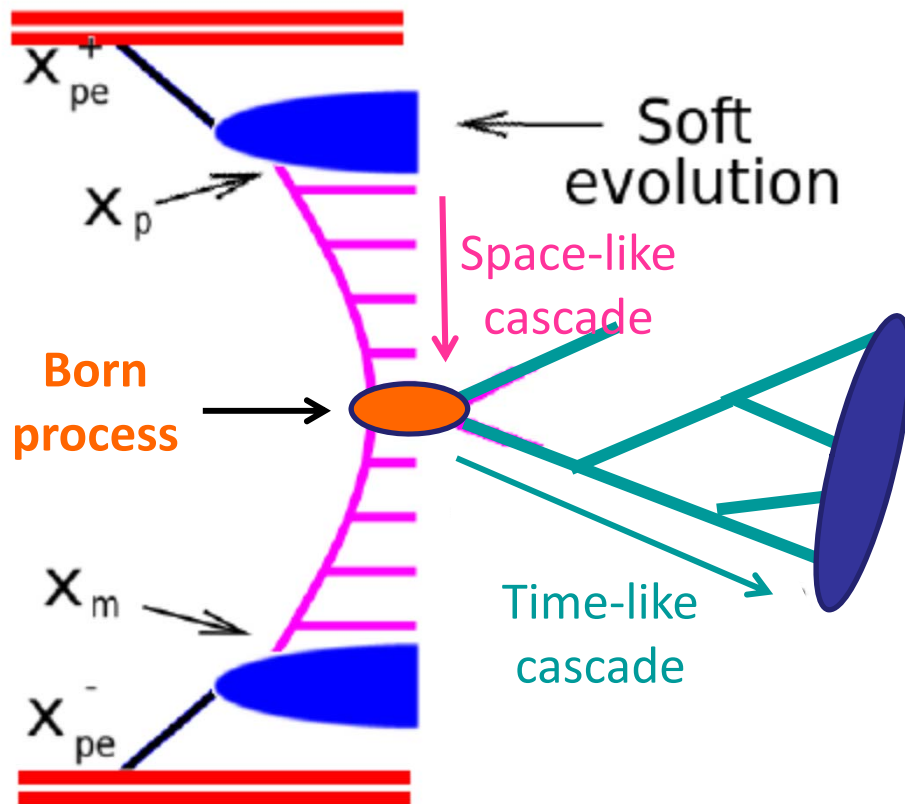


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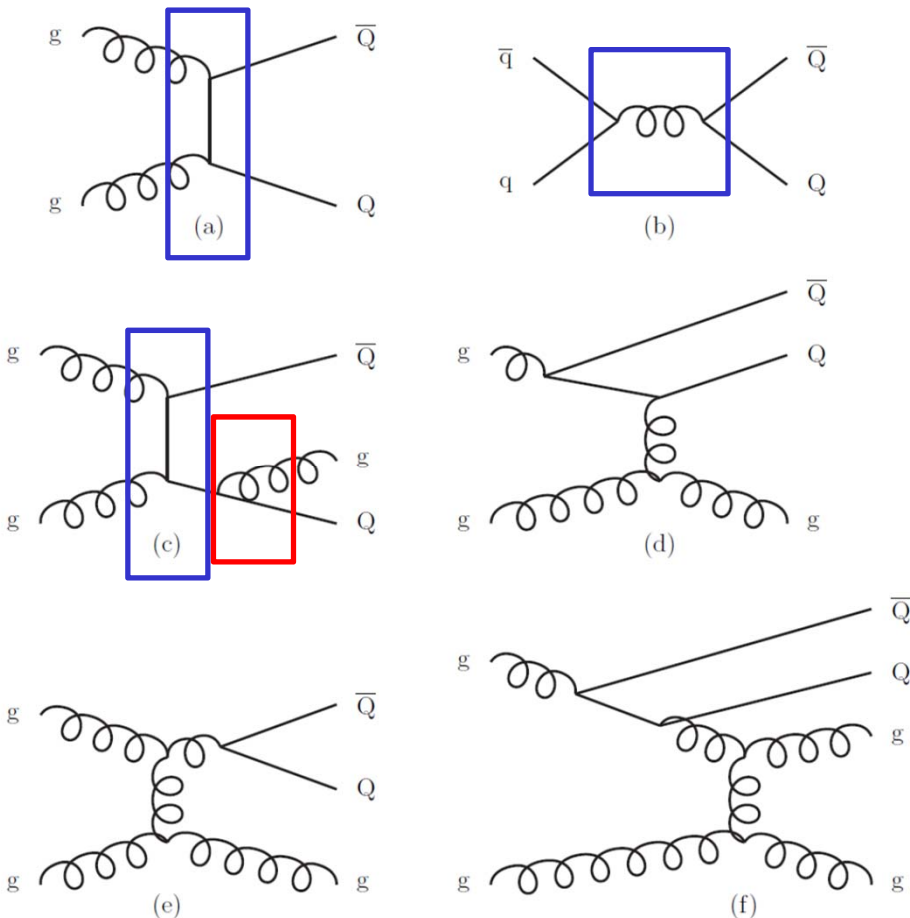
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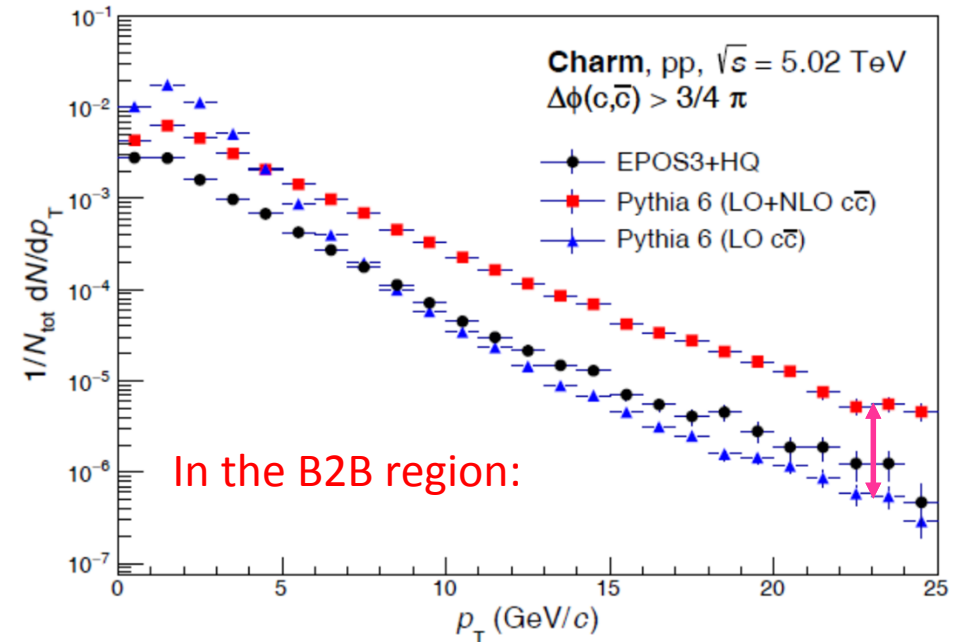
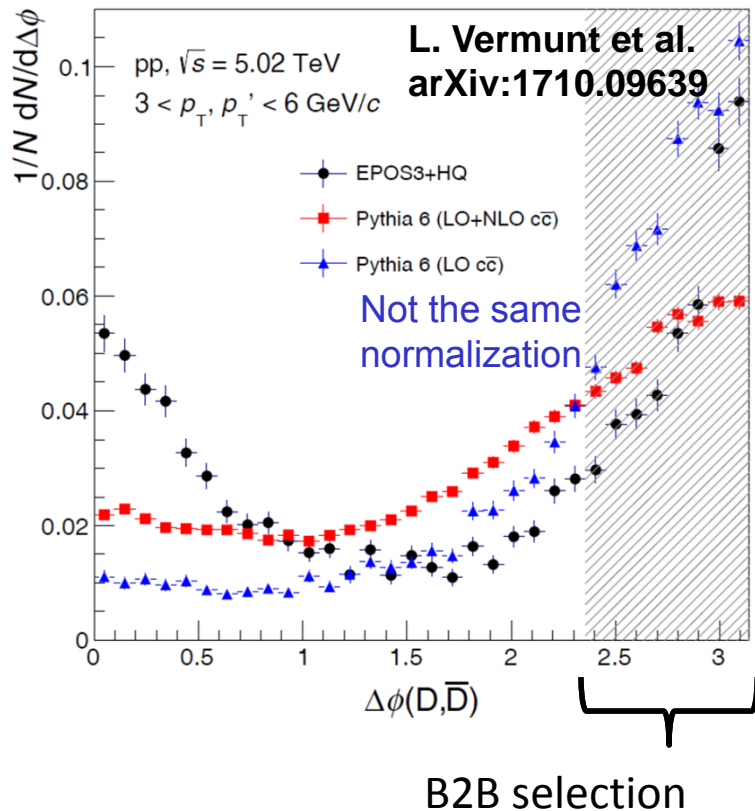
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- In pythia, possibility to restrict to LO ccbar production processes with massive elements (MSEL=1 -> MSEL=4 flag), still switching on the ... ISR + FSR ... This will be referred to as « LO ccbar »

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- Including NLO effects in the charm production (N.B. :beauty would be better for our purpose, but very low statistics)

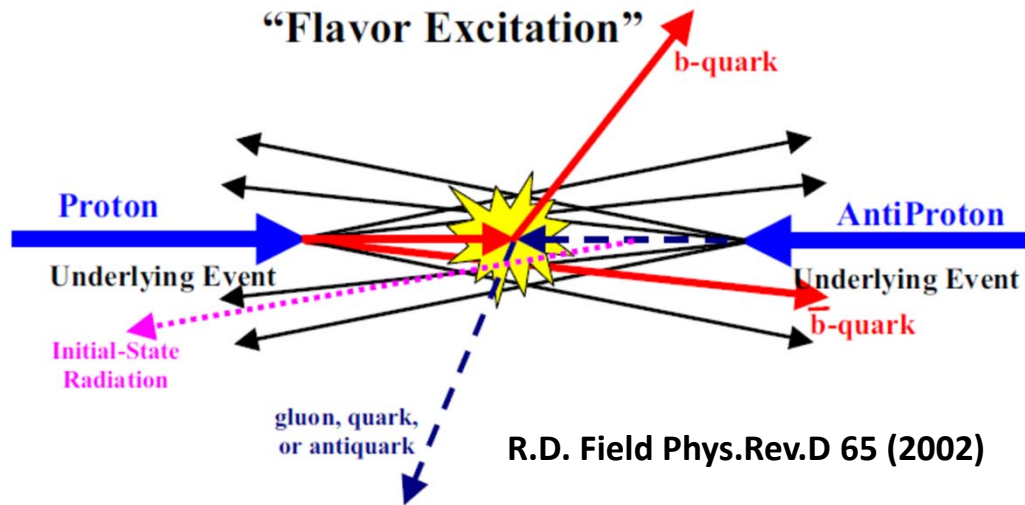


- Good agreement in the normalization for EPOS3 vs PYTHIA « LO » (MSEL=4)
- Large excess PYHTIA « NLO »; shown to be due to **flavor excitation like process**

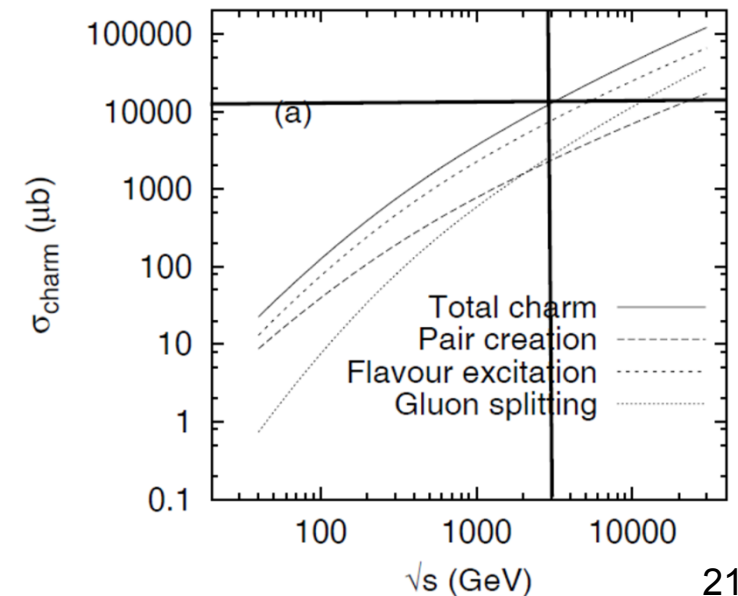
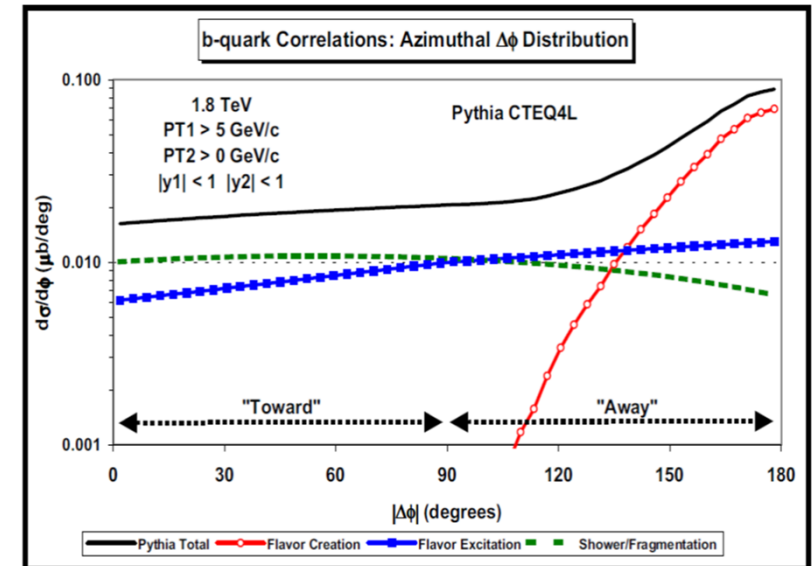
N.B.: Pythia MSEL=4: at least 1 ccbar pair un each event => Normalized according to high- $p_T$  LO charm creation in Pythia MSEL=1

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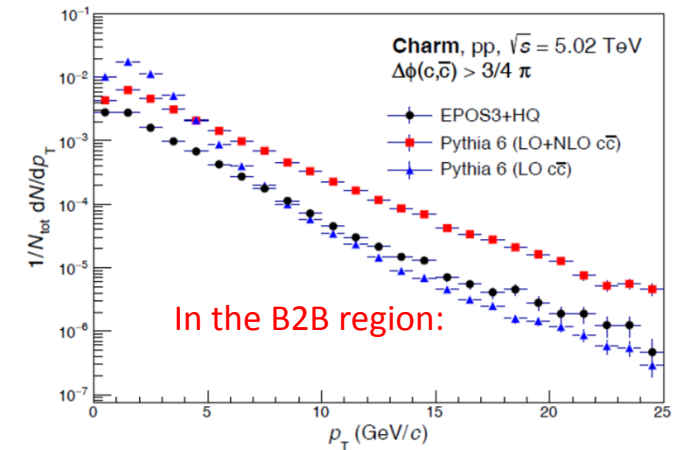
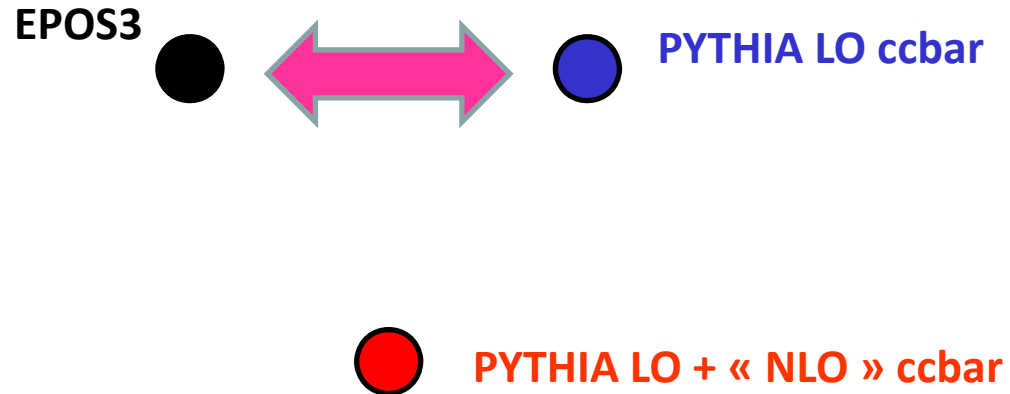
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- Flavor excitation: very sensitive to the  $c\bar{c}$  in the proton sea, i.e. to the gluon evolution  $\rightarrow$  large  $Q^2$
- $\sigma_{\text{charm}}$  (Pythia 6,) exceeds measured ALICE value by a factor 3-5. Mostly due to large FEX contribution.
- Similar conclusion of sur-abundant FEX found by CMS (CMS-PAS-HIN-16-005) for beauty quarks

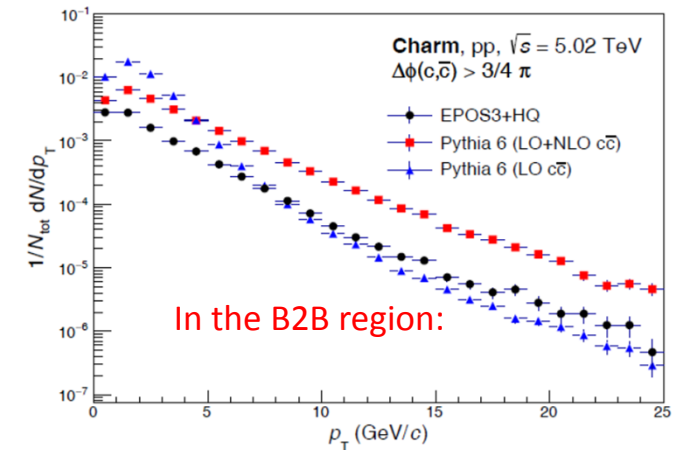
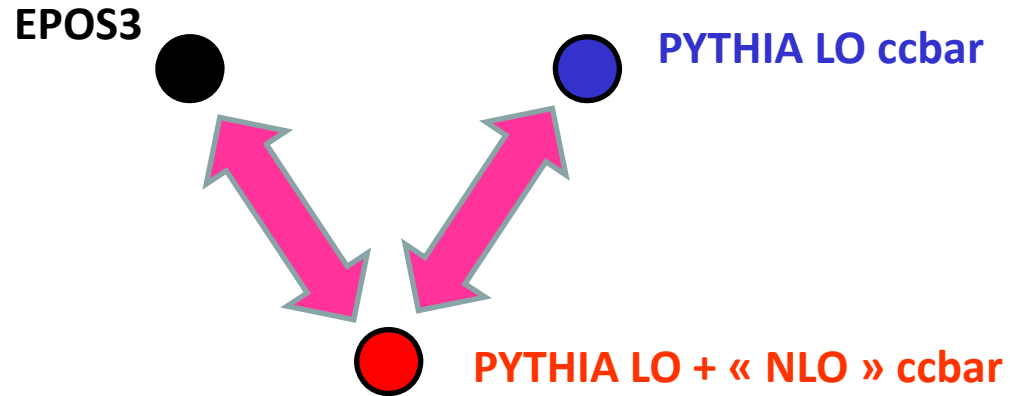


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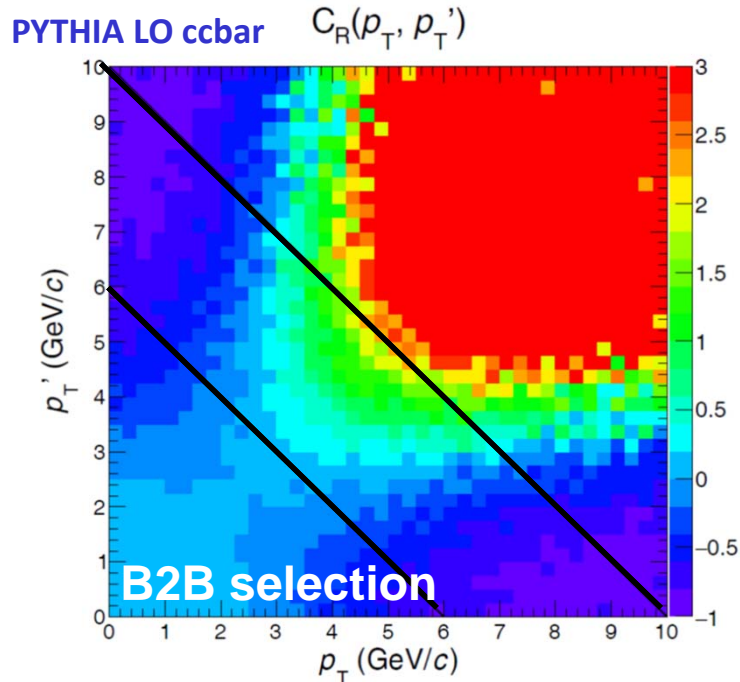
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- Use  $p_T$  correlations to resolve FEX contribution in the B2B region

# Momentum imbalance: not so naïve approach



- Different  $p_T$  imbalance for 3 production models in pp
- 2 of them show that NLO effects does not completely destroy the perfect correlation found in LO production
- Similar results for DDbar

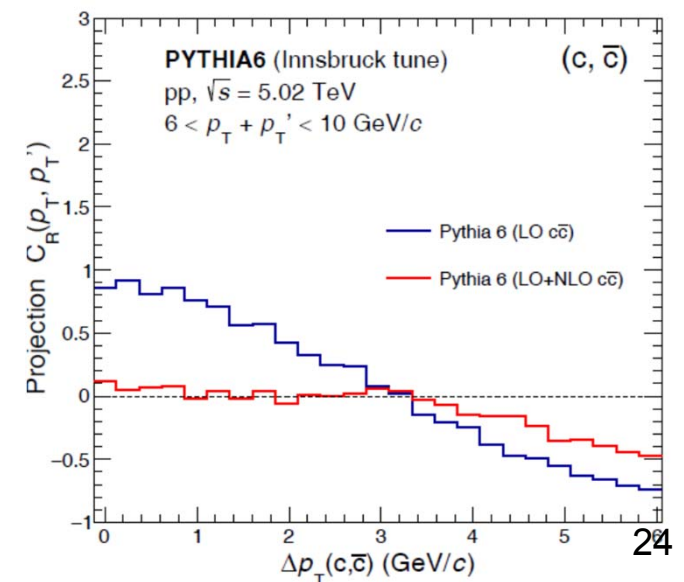
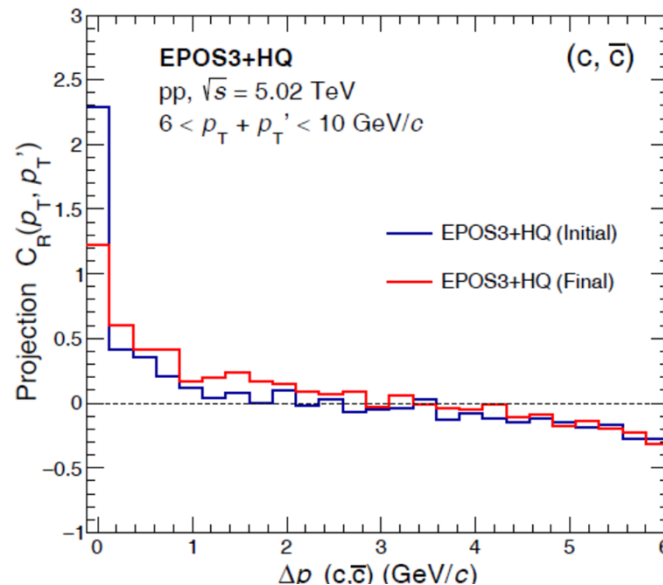
Absolute correlation:

$$C(p_T, p'_T) := \frac{1}{N} \frac{d^2 N(p_T, p'_T)}{dp_T dp'_T} - \frac{1}{N} \frac{dN(p_T)}{dp_T} \times \frac{1}{N} \frac{dN(p'_T)}{dp'_T}$$

- Vanishes if  $d^2N$  factorizes ( $d^2N(p, p') = dN(p) \times dN(p')$ )
- Satisfies  $\int C(p_T, p'_T) dp_T dp'_T = 0$

Relative correlation:  $C_R(p_T, p'_T) := \frac{C(p_T, p'_T)}{\frac{1}{N} \frac{dN(p_T)}{dp_T} \times \frac{1}{N} \frac{dN(p'_T)}{dp'_T}}$

- Reveals correlation at finite  $p_T$

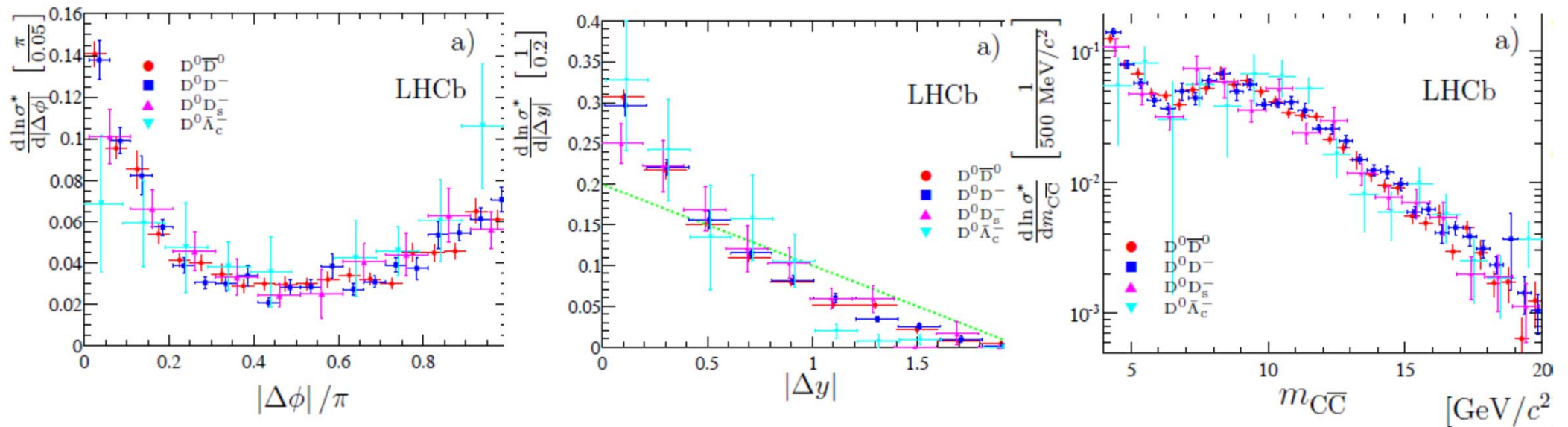




# From the experimental viewpoint

- No momentum imbalance so far in pp (to my knowledge)...
- But valuable data from LHCb on DD:

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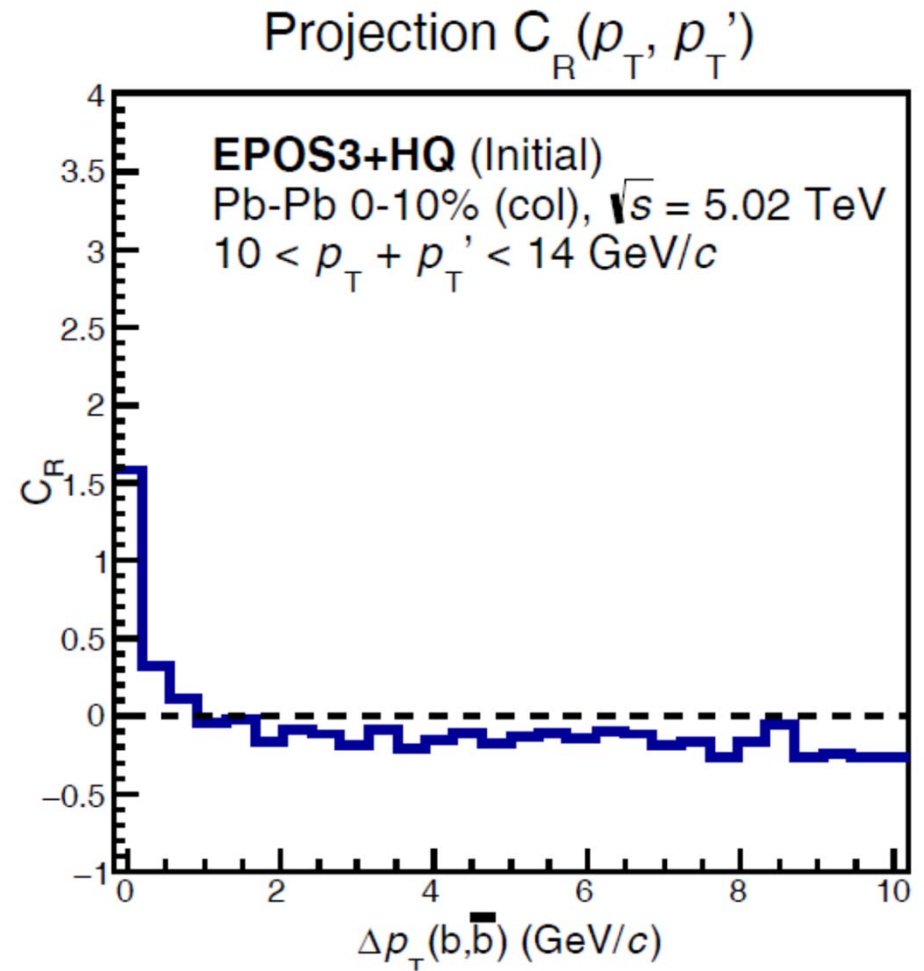
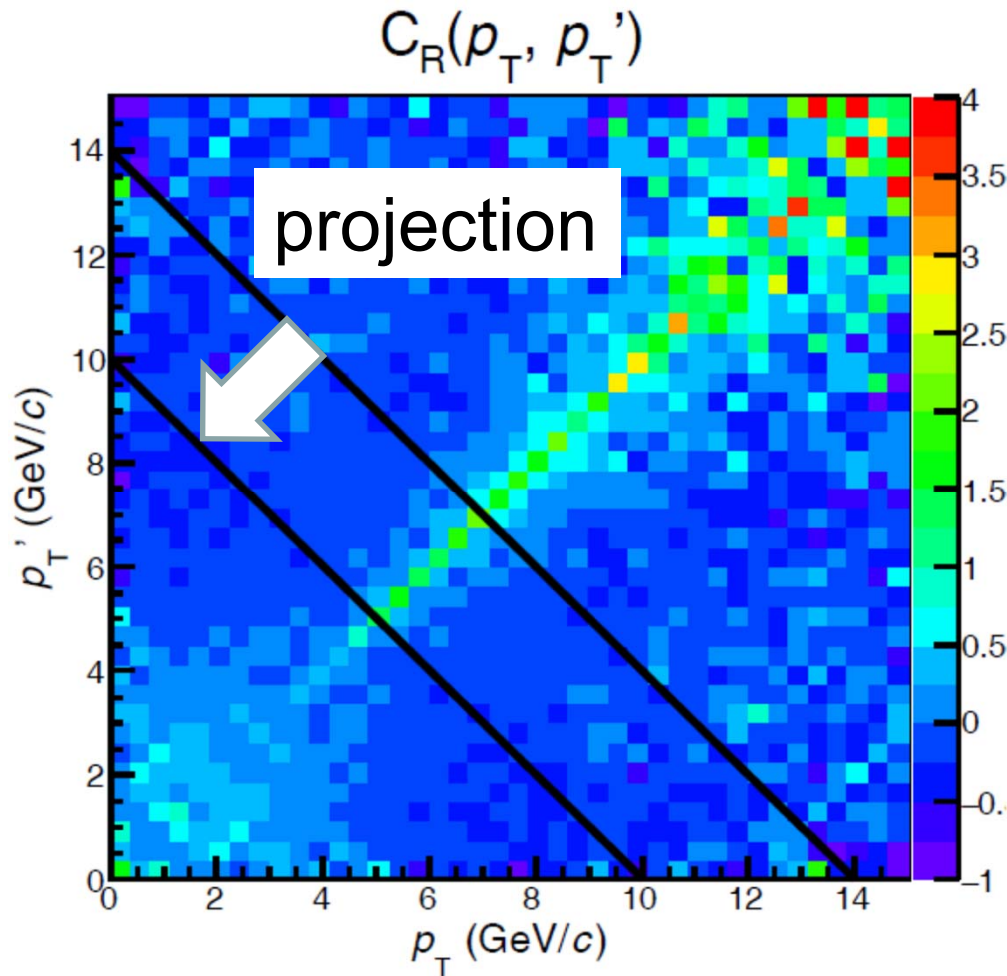


- Under present investigation

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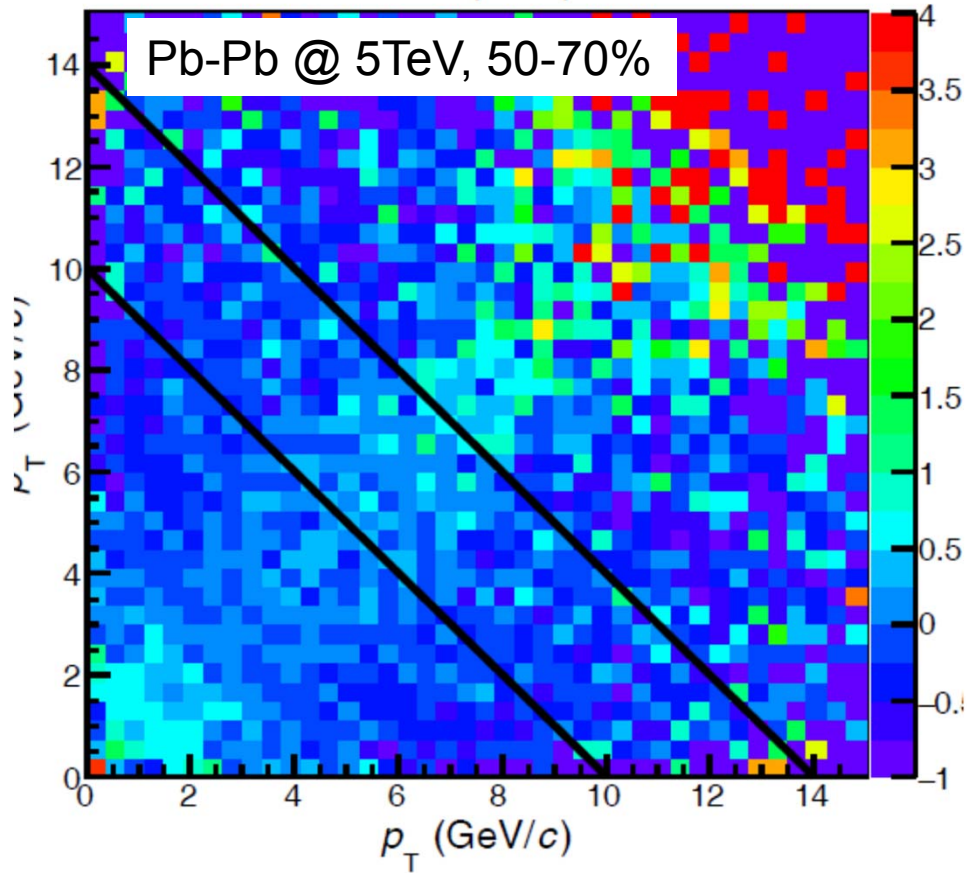


- Very good correlation for high  $p_T$

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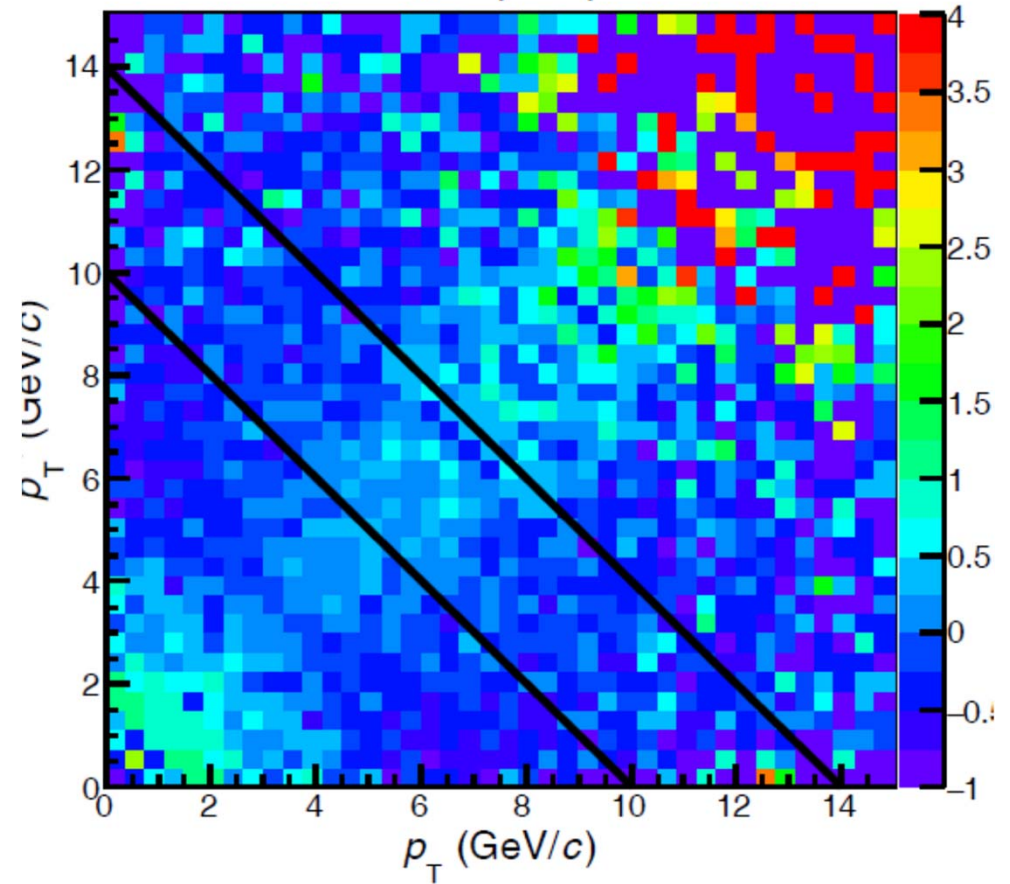
Elastic Energy loss

$$C_R(p_T, p_T')$$

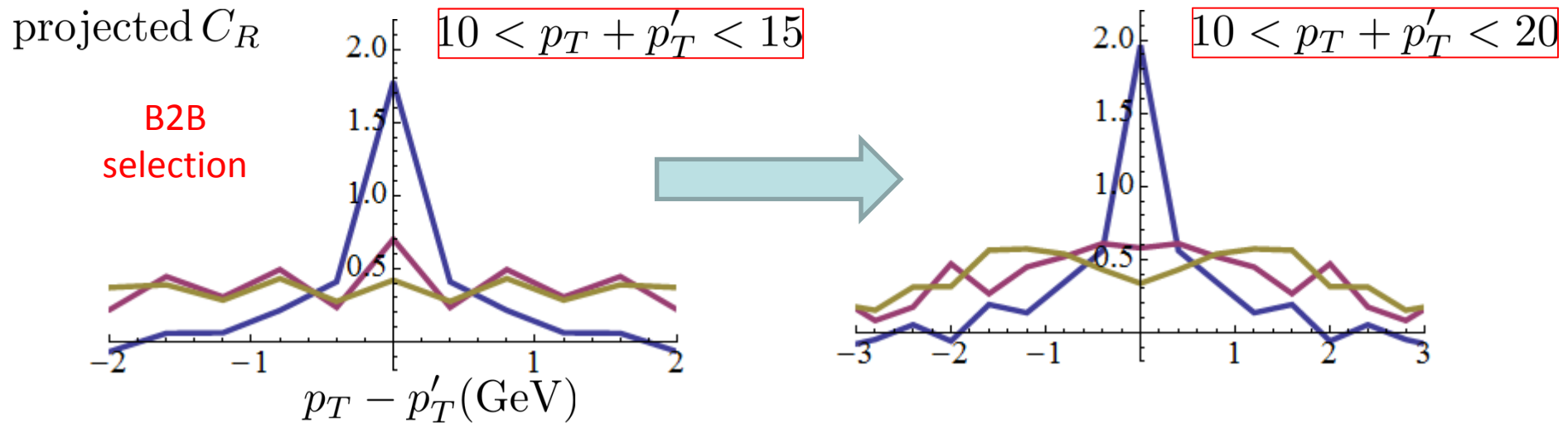
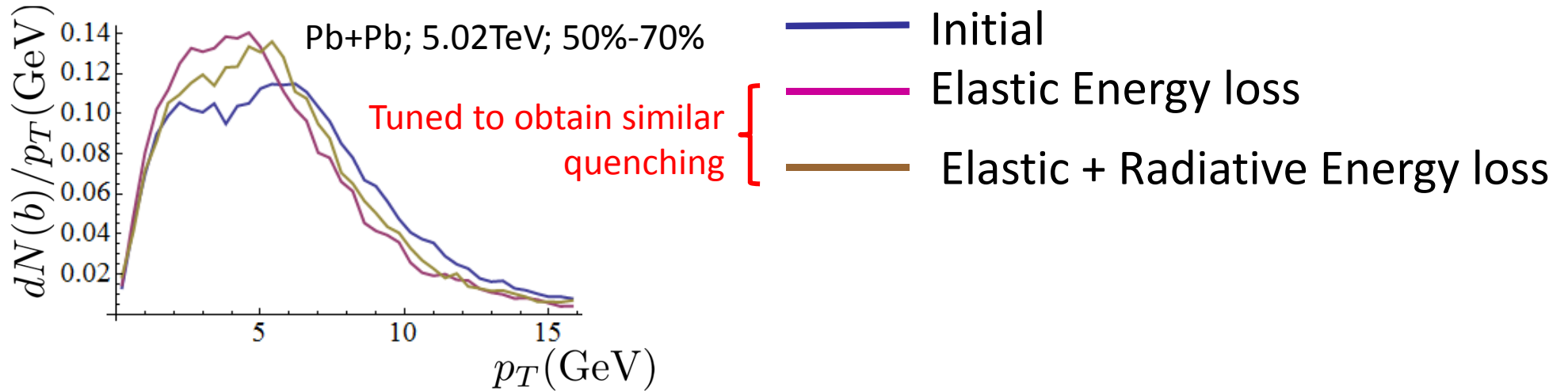


Elastic + Radiative Energy loss

$$C_R(p_T, p_T')$$

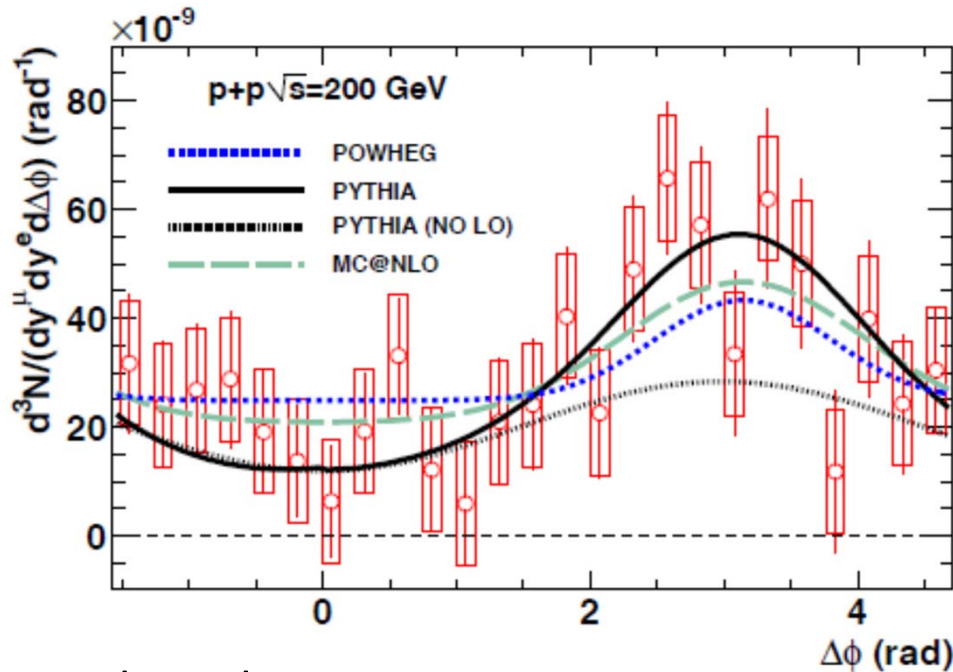


# Momentum imbalance: $b\bar{b}$ in Pb-Pb



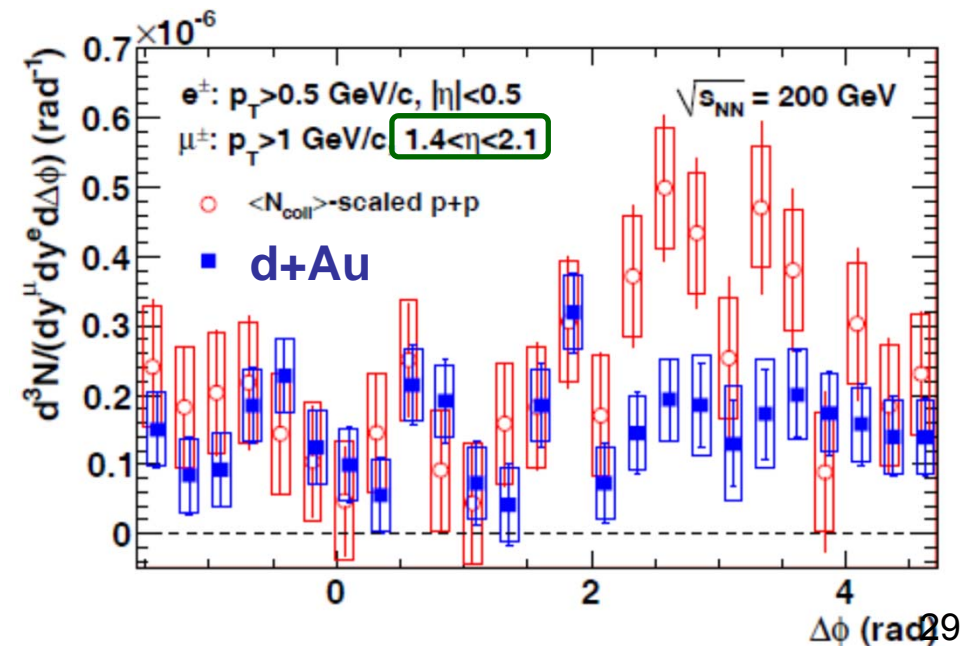
- QGP washes away the correlation peak... Possible window to estimate the relative weights of elastic and radiative energy loss for bottom quarks

# Next best thing: HF-HF $\rightarrow$ e- $\mu$ correlations



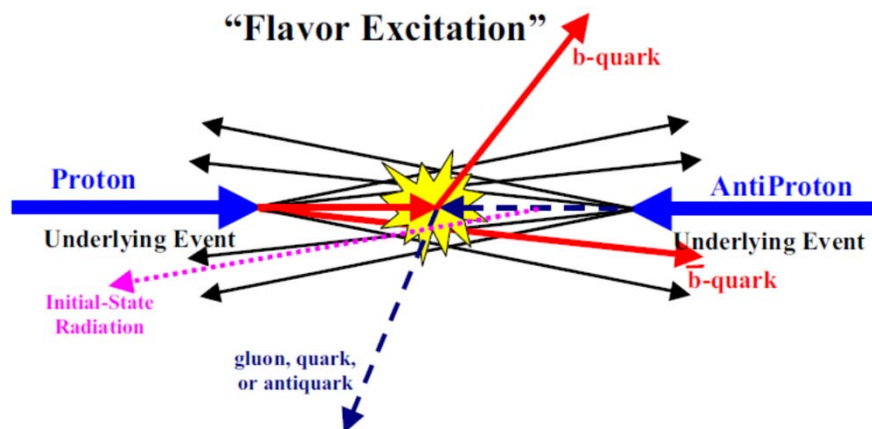
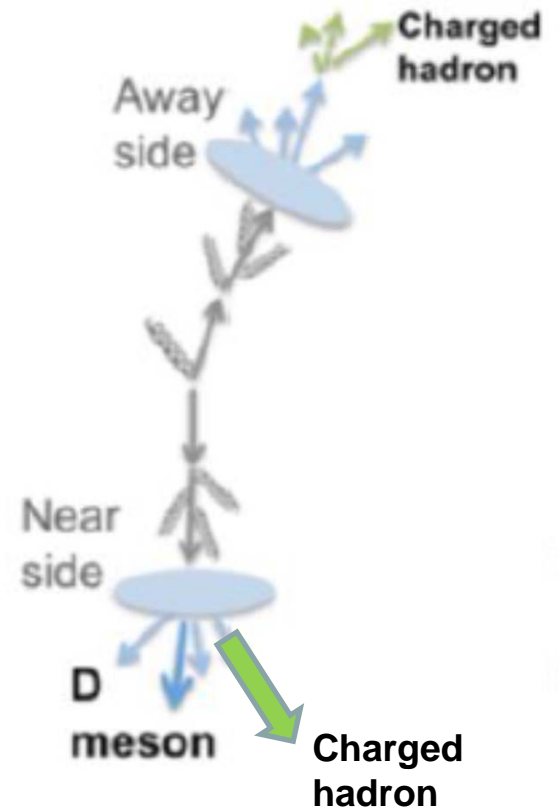
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- Puzzle in the picture:
- “Such a suppression could arise due to nuclear PDF shadowing, saturation of the gluon wavefunction in the Au nucleus, or initial/final state energy loss and multiple scattering. »
- Did not seem to have received enough attention from the community



# Some words on D/B-h / e-h / ... correlations

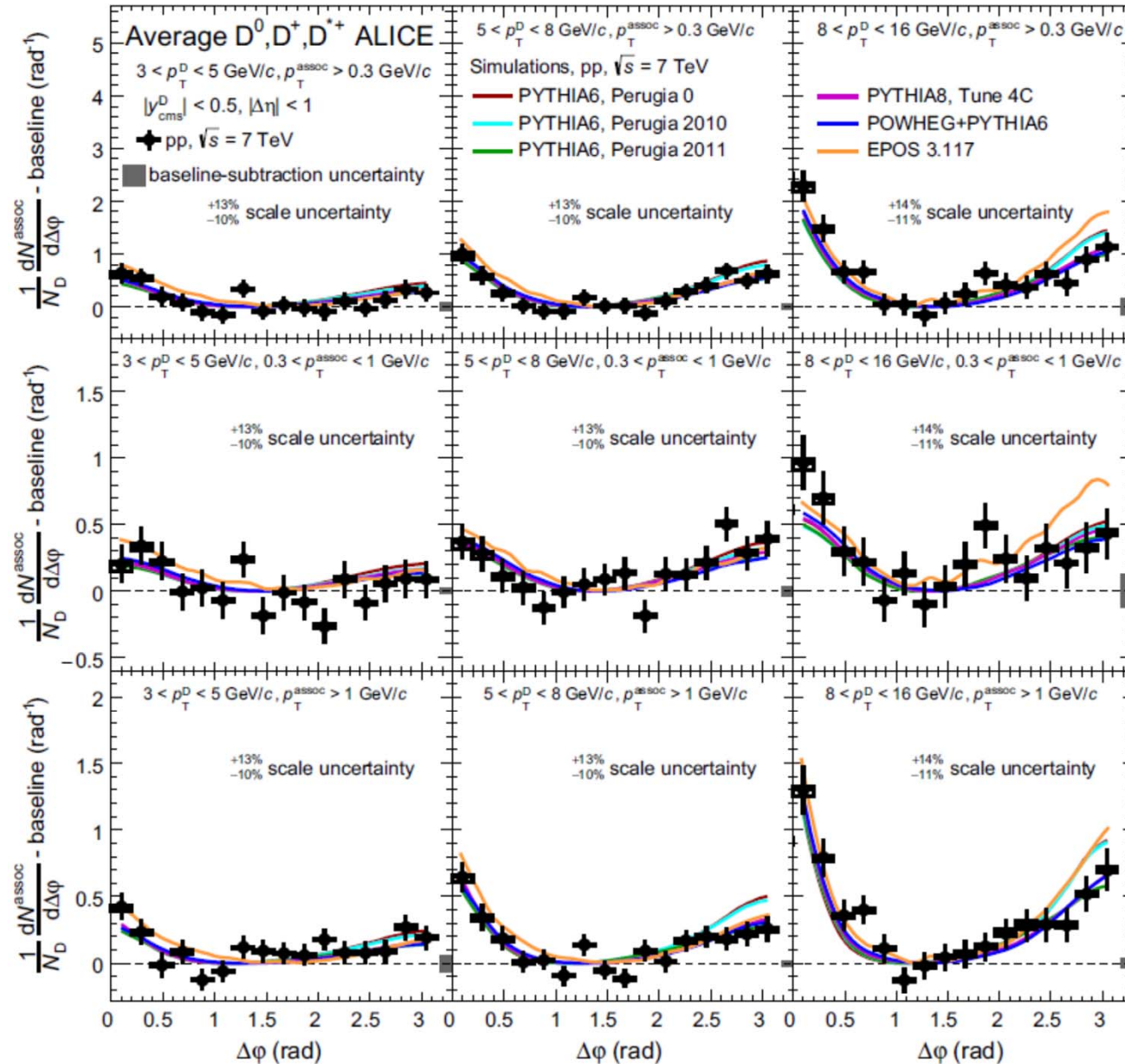
- + : less demanding in terms of statistics (already some experimental results at RHIC and at LHC after run 2 @ LHC)
- + : the near side can provide us new information about the “in medium” fragmentation.
- - : Access to QQbar angular correlations is more indirect and “washed out“
- - : More influenced by the “underlying event” than HF-HF correlations : maybe, HF also feel the influence of the bulk
- - : New processes implied in the away side region:



More involved from a theory / modelling view point; requires multi-component models

See f.i. talk by S. CAO

# Some words on D-h ... in pp



ALICE, Eur. Phys. J. C (2017) 77:245

- Qualitative agreement between data and models, within the (large) uncertainties
- EPOS3 predicts larger and wider peaks than the PYTHIA/POWHEG for  $\Delta\phi$  correlations

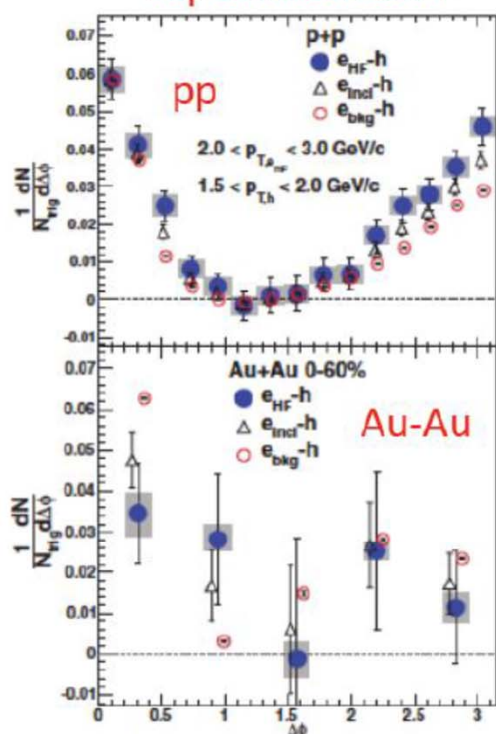
Calibration  $\approx$  ok

# Some words on e-h / ... in AA (at RHIC)

## Heavy-flavour electron – charged particle correlations at RHIC, PHENIX

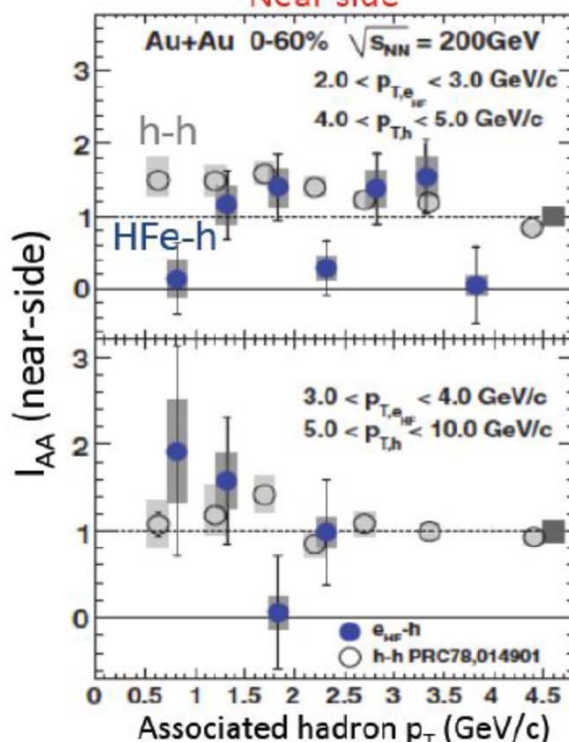
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$\Delta\phi$  distributions

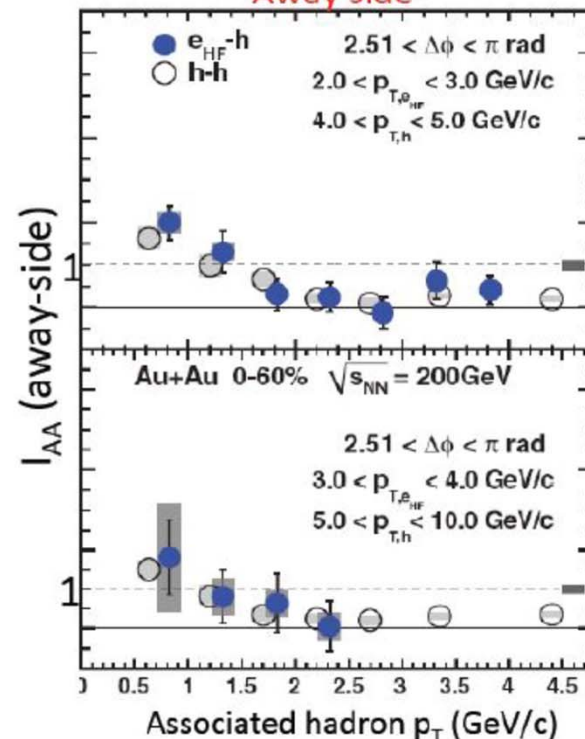


$I_{AA}$  = ratio of associated yield (Au-Au)/pp

Near side



Away side



Large uncertainties in Au-Au measurement prevent firm conclusions

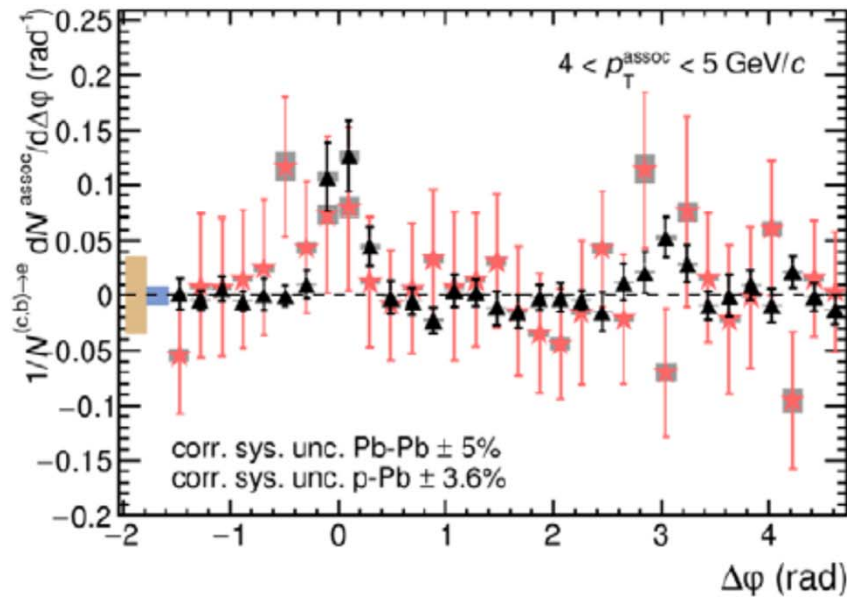
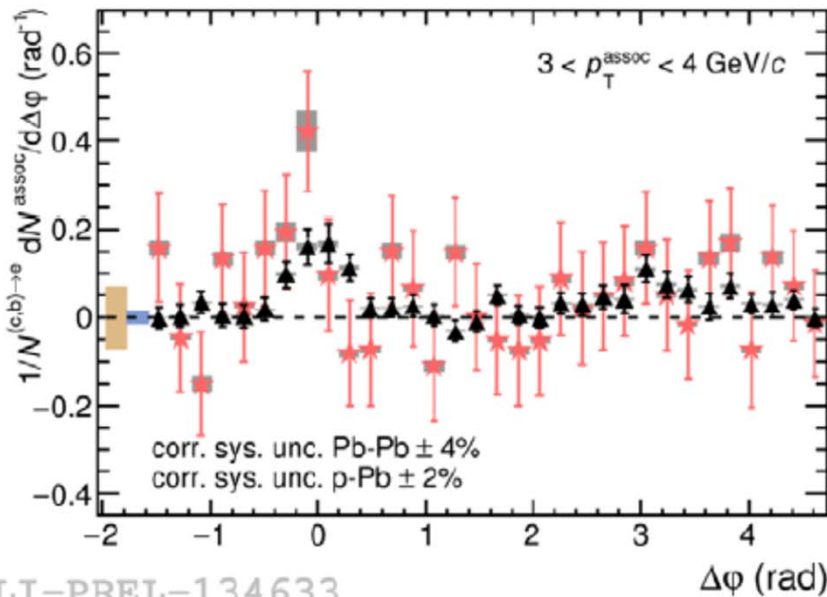
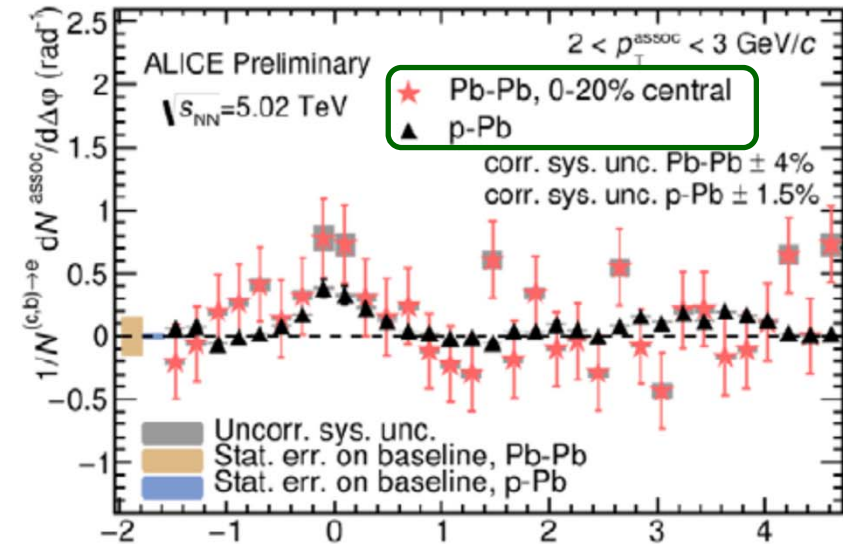
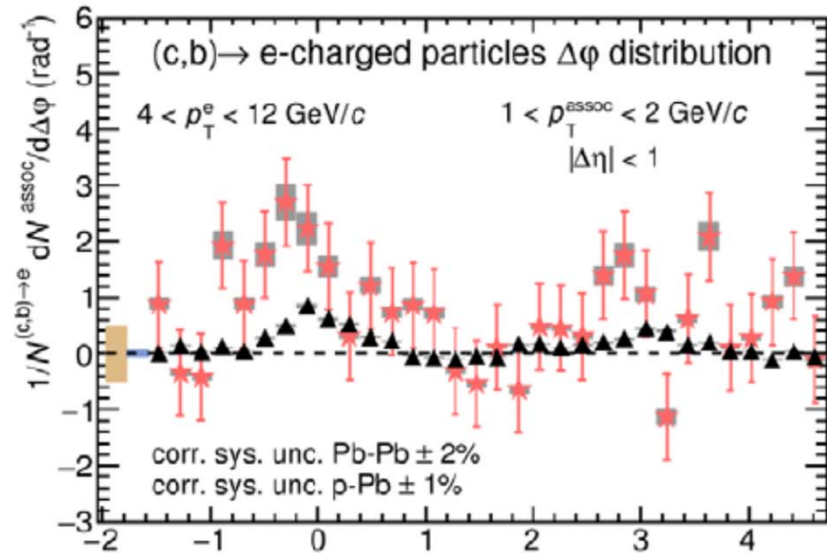
Suggest a decreasing  $I_{AA}$  trend with hadron  $p_T$  in the away side

Similar results than hadron-hadron correlations (a coincidence?)

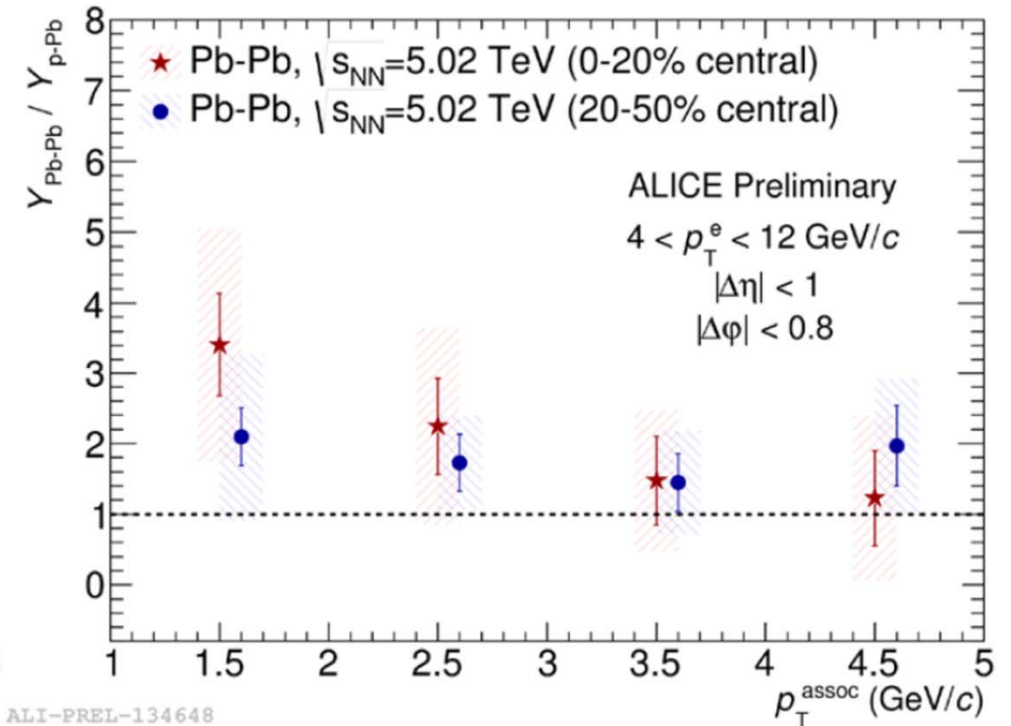
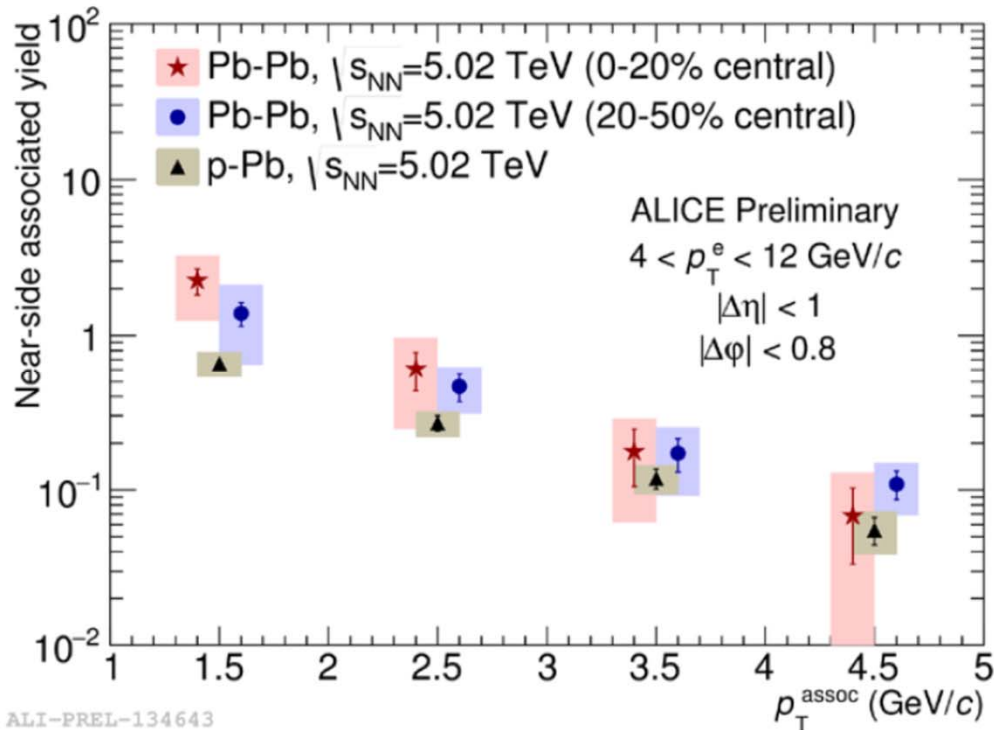
→ Higher precision  
with new data



# Some words on e-h / ... in AA (at LHC)



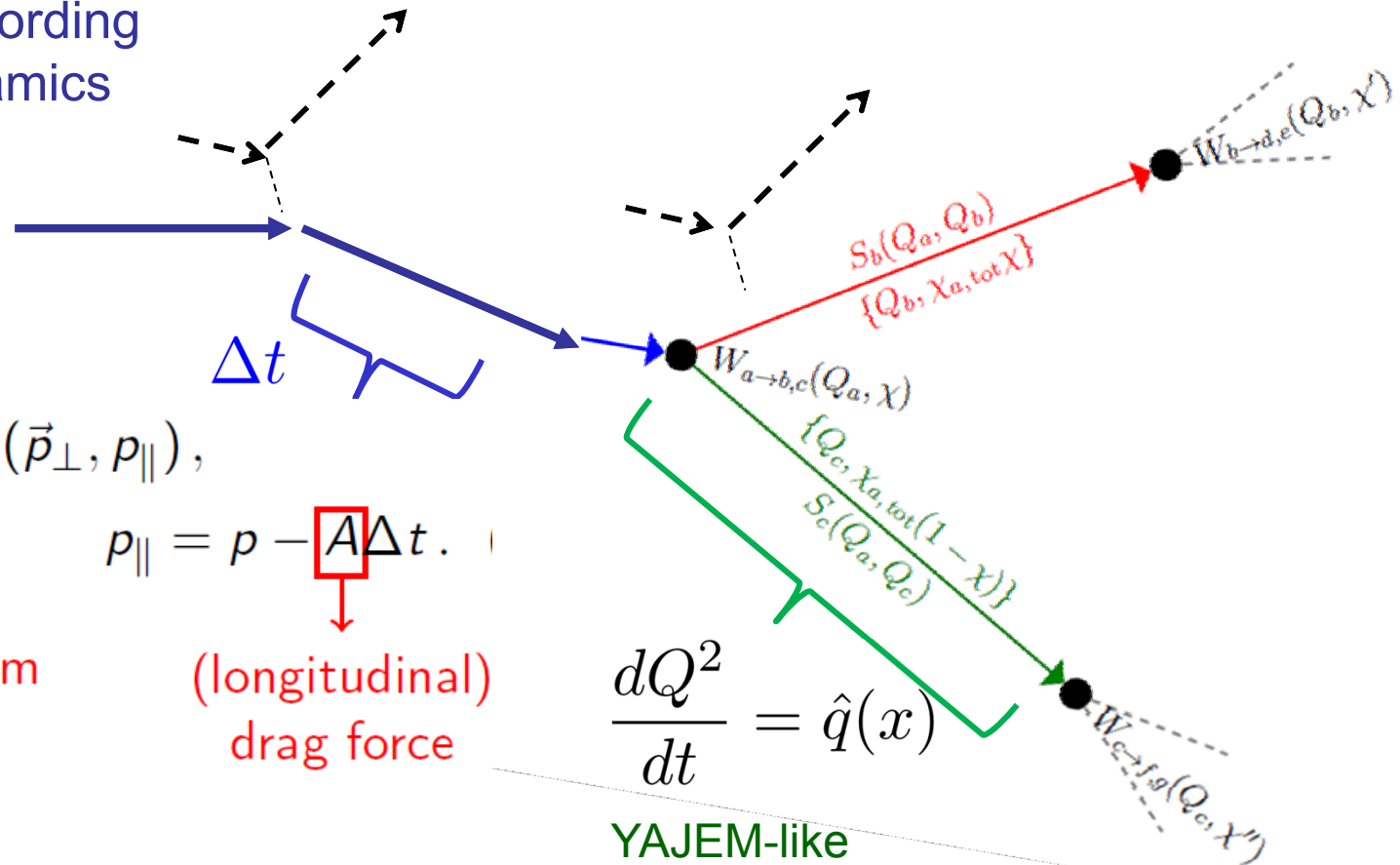
# Some words on e-h / ... in AA (at LHC)



- ALICE concludes: “Going lower with  $p_T^{\text{assoc}}$ , hints of a hierarchy in NS yields: Pb-Pb 0-20% shows an enhancement w.r.t. p-Pb, despite very large total uncertainties” : **priority 1**
- No conclusion for the away side peak after run 2. **priority >1**

# Modified DGLAP (Elastic + induced radiation)

Rescattering according to Langevin dynamics



$$\vec{p} = (\vec{0}, p) \mapsto \vec{p}' = (\vec{p}_\perp, p_\parallel),$$

$$p_\perp = \sqrt{\hat{q} \Delta t},$$

$$p_\parallel = p - A \Delta t.$$

transverse momentum transfer

(longitudinal) drag force

$$A = \frac{\hat{q}}{\kappa T}$$

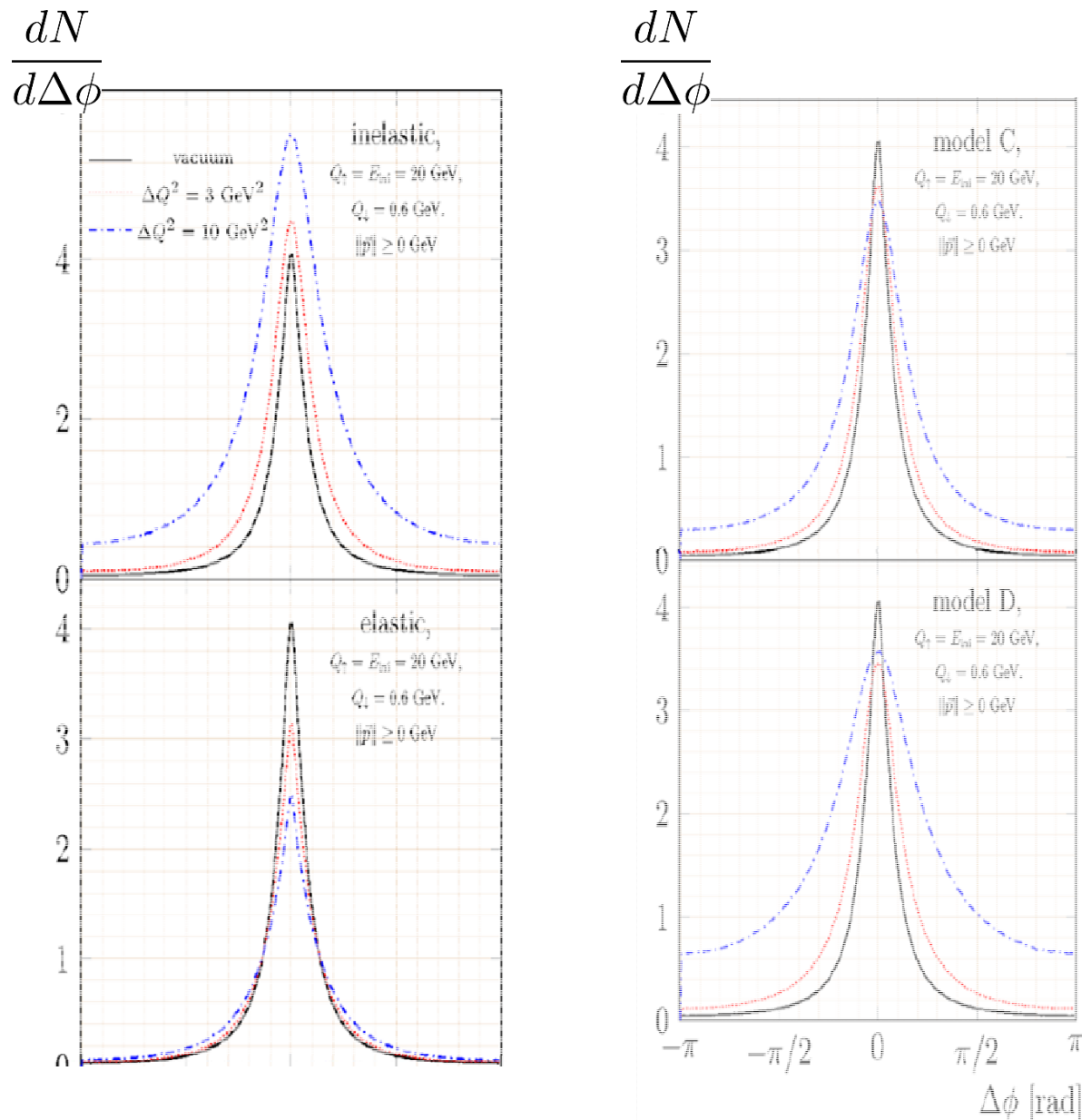
$$\frac{dQ^2}{dt} = \hat{q}(x)$$

YAJEM-like

[H. Berrehrah et al. PRC 90, 064906 (2014)]

increase of the virtuality => extra induced radiation.

# Near side study with a generic jet – medium model

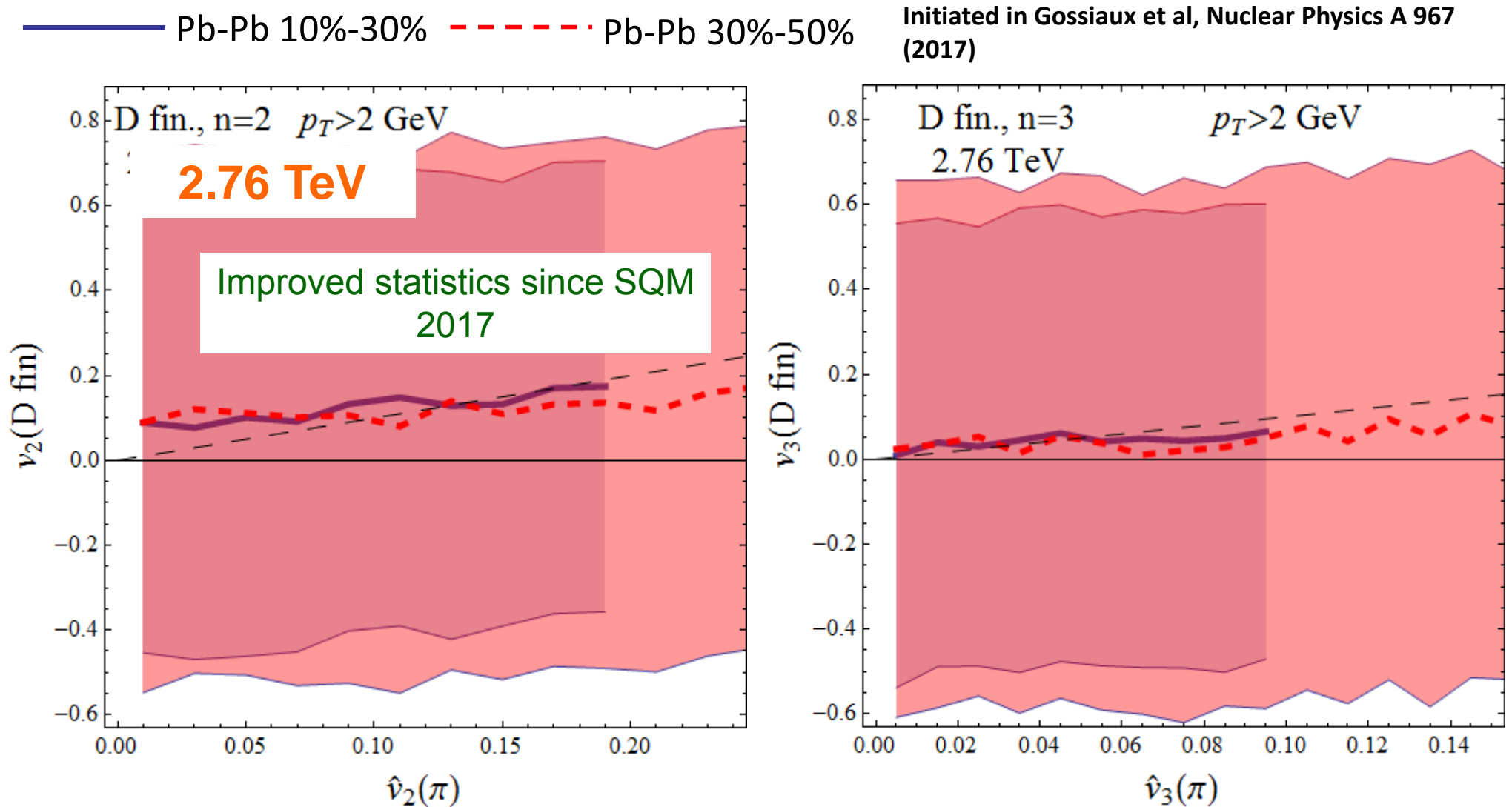


M. Rohrmoser's PhD thesis (2017)

Preliminary results in J.Phys. Conf. Ser. 779 (2017), 012032

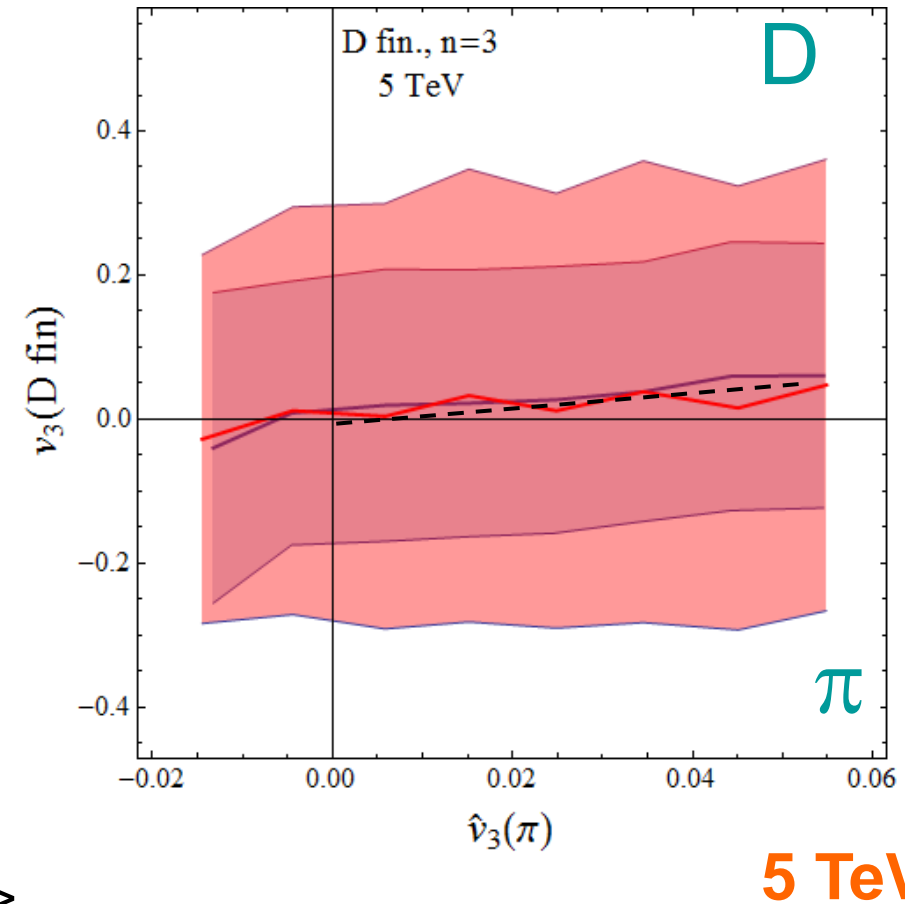
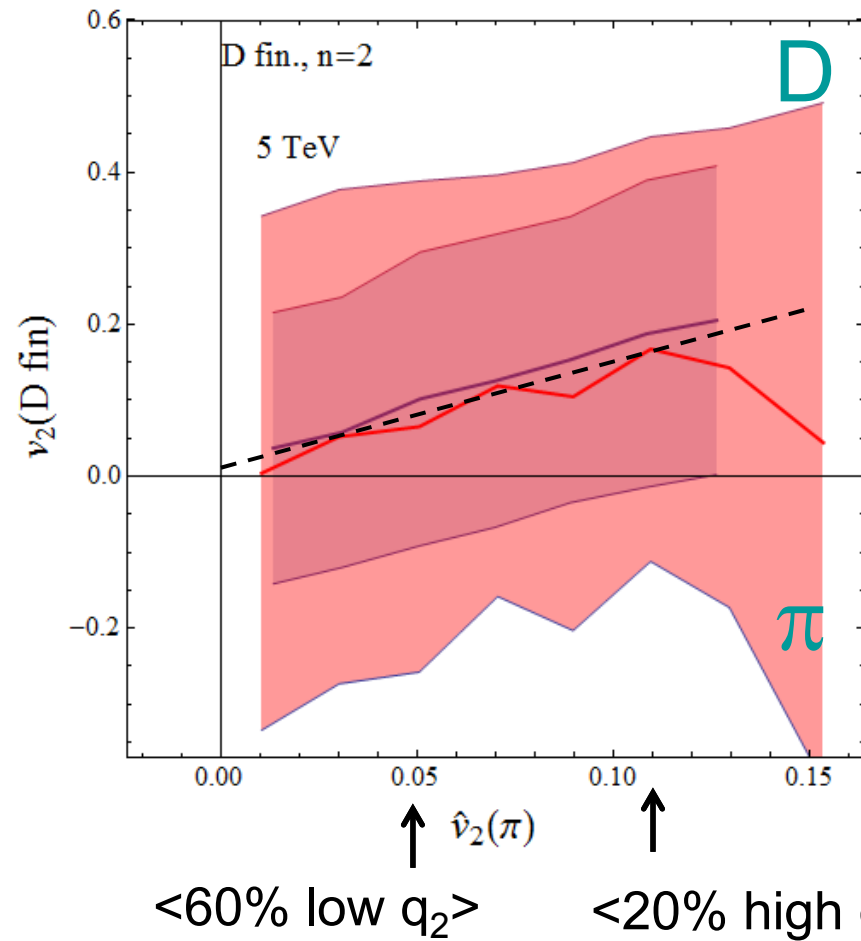
...To be implemented in EPOSHQ with bulk back-reaction

# Heavy – light correlations: event shape engineering



- Correlations in EBE, although large fluctuations; sign of saturation for the largest values of  $v_2(p)$

# Heavy – light correlations: event shape engineering



Good correlation for  $\{\pi, N\}$  (common freeze out surface), less dependence on the centrality... still large fluctuations

# Conclusions

- HF Correlations are for sure interesting per se and offers a bright future... but:
- One should not expect huge effects ! Up to now, the best effects I am aware of in realistic calculations are of the order of 10 %
- They often imply a much deeper understanding of the production mechanisms (one additional ingredient in the game !)
- HF – hadrons correlations requires fully fledged models and simulators
- To early to conclude; as a theorist, one has to get ready to deal with the improved precision data in the HF-HF or  $\gamma$ -HF sector
- By then, the most efficient “constrain” can be obtained by performing systematic multi-domain comparison of the traditional single particle observables...
- **Brand new study on momentum imbalance**