

# Probing the quark-gluon plasma using jets

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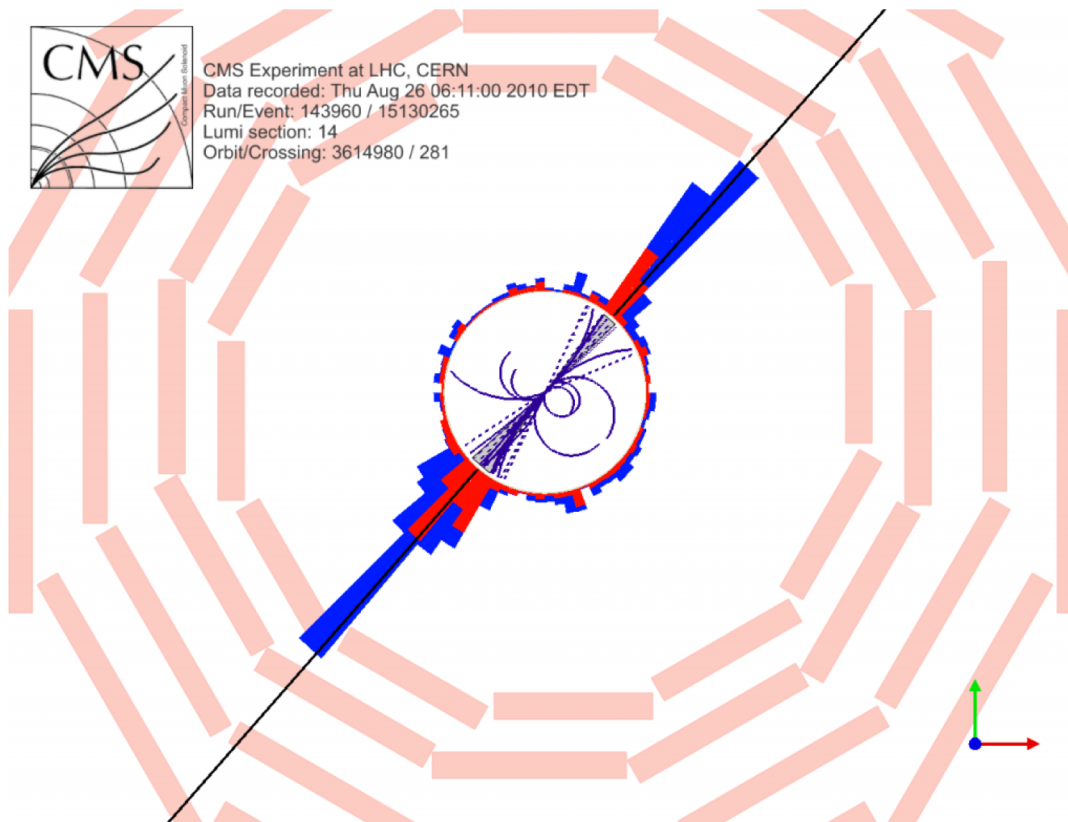
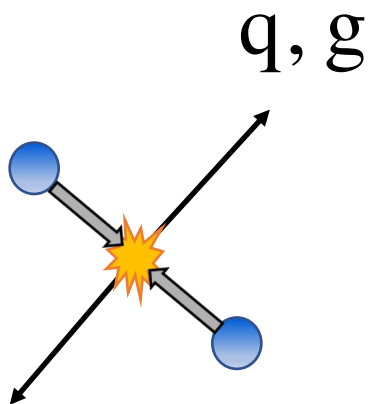
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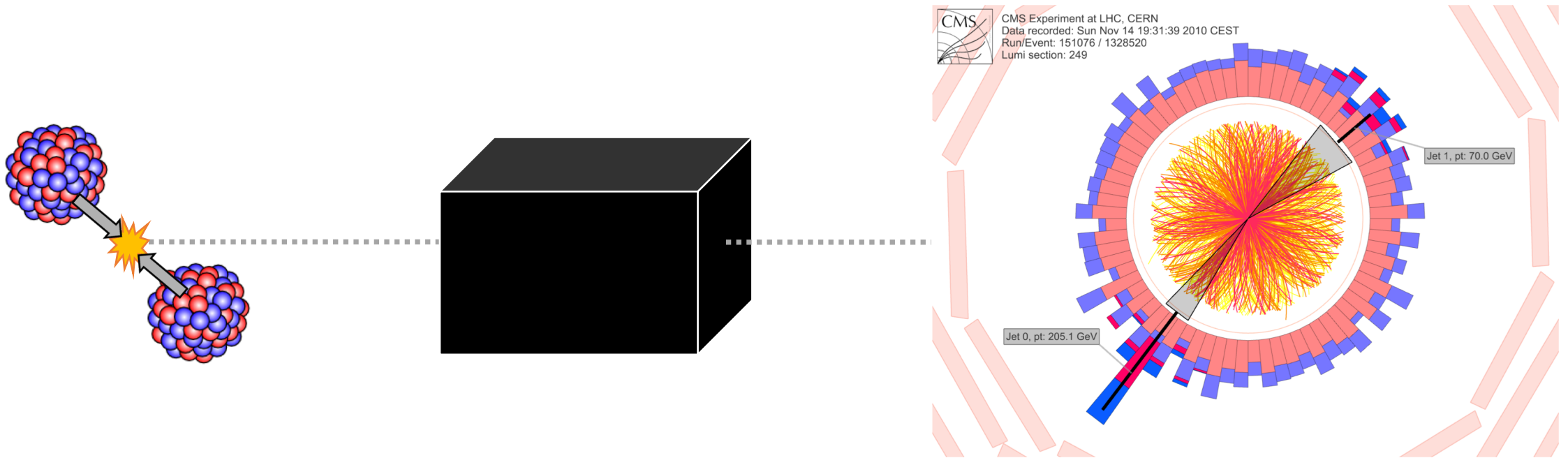
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Hard Probes  
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# Jets in proton-proton collisions....

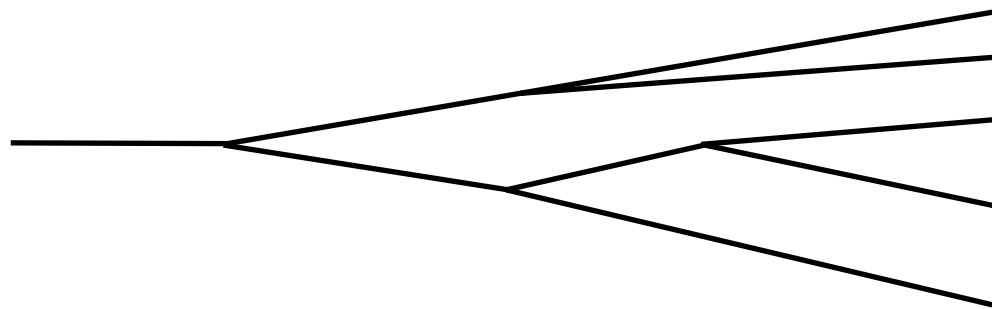
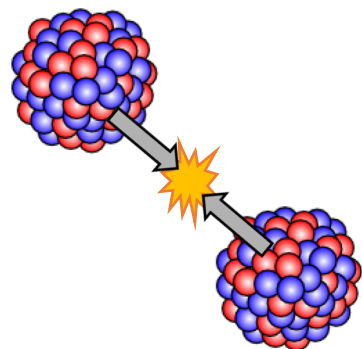


# Jets in heavy-ion collisions....



What's in the box?

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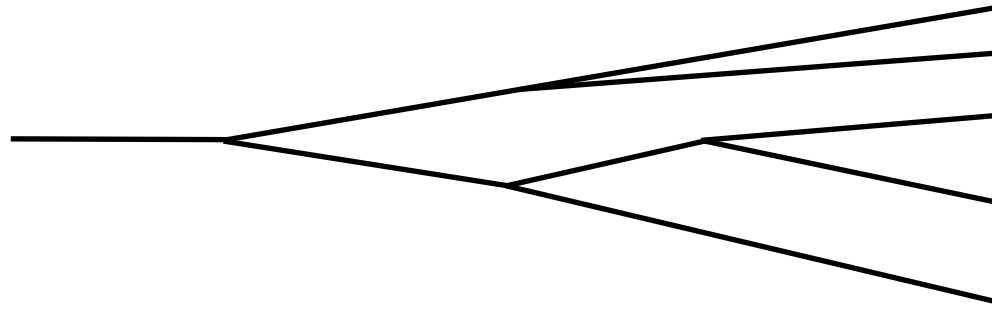
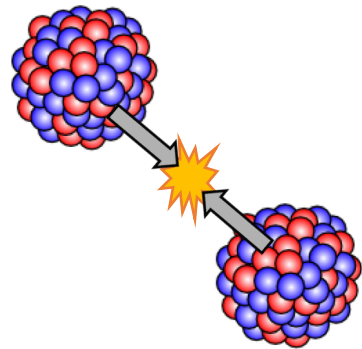
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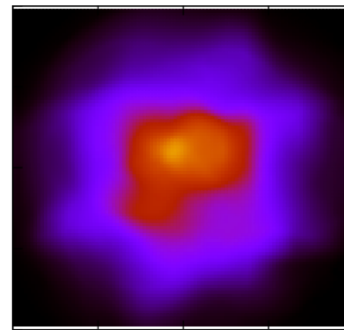
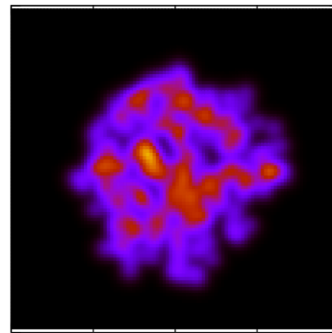


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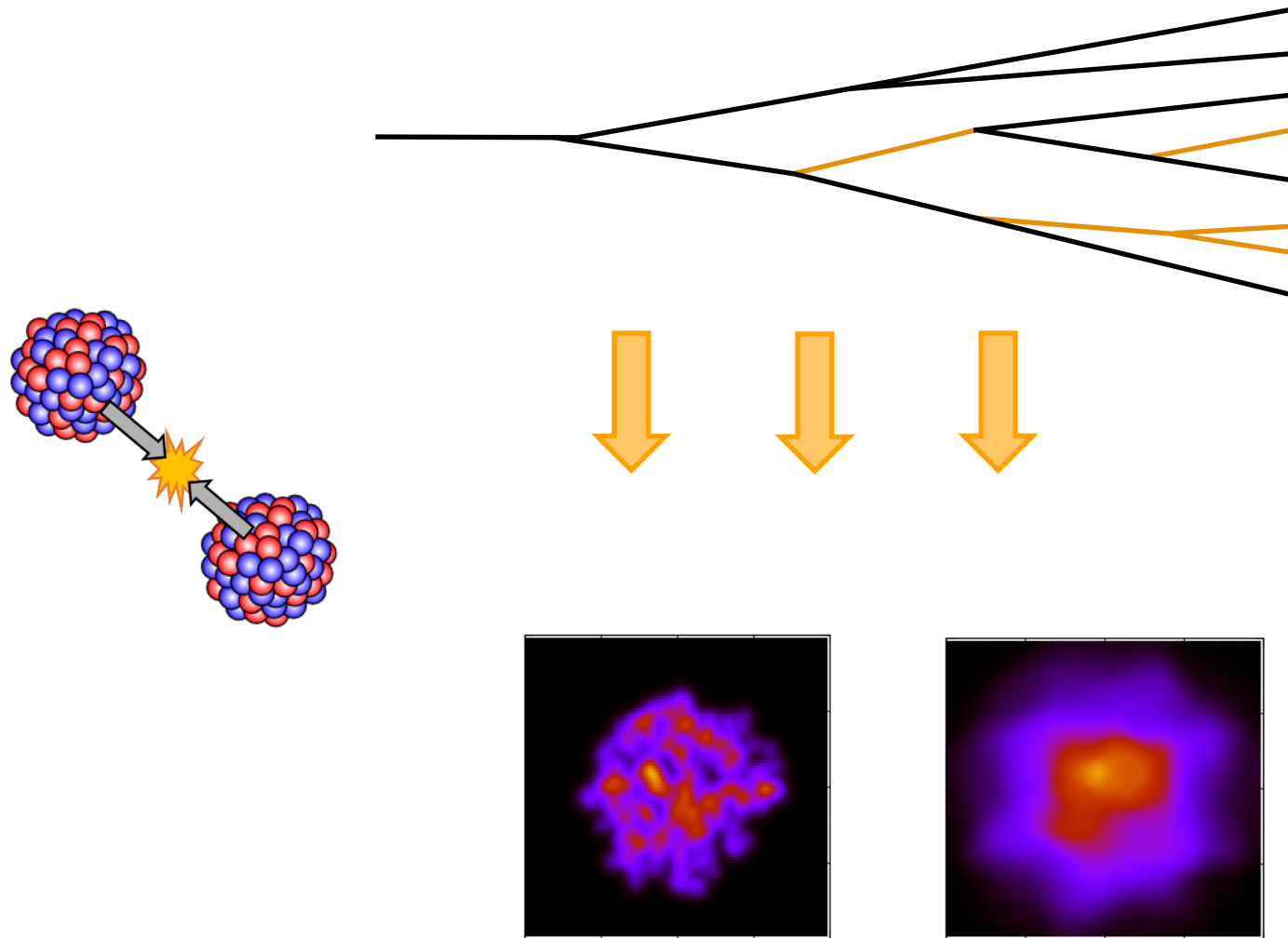
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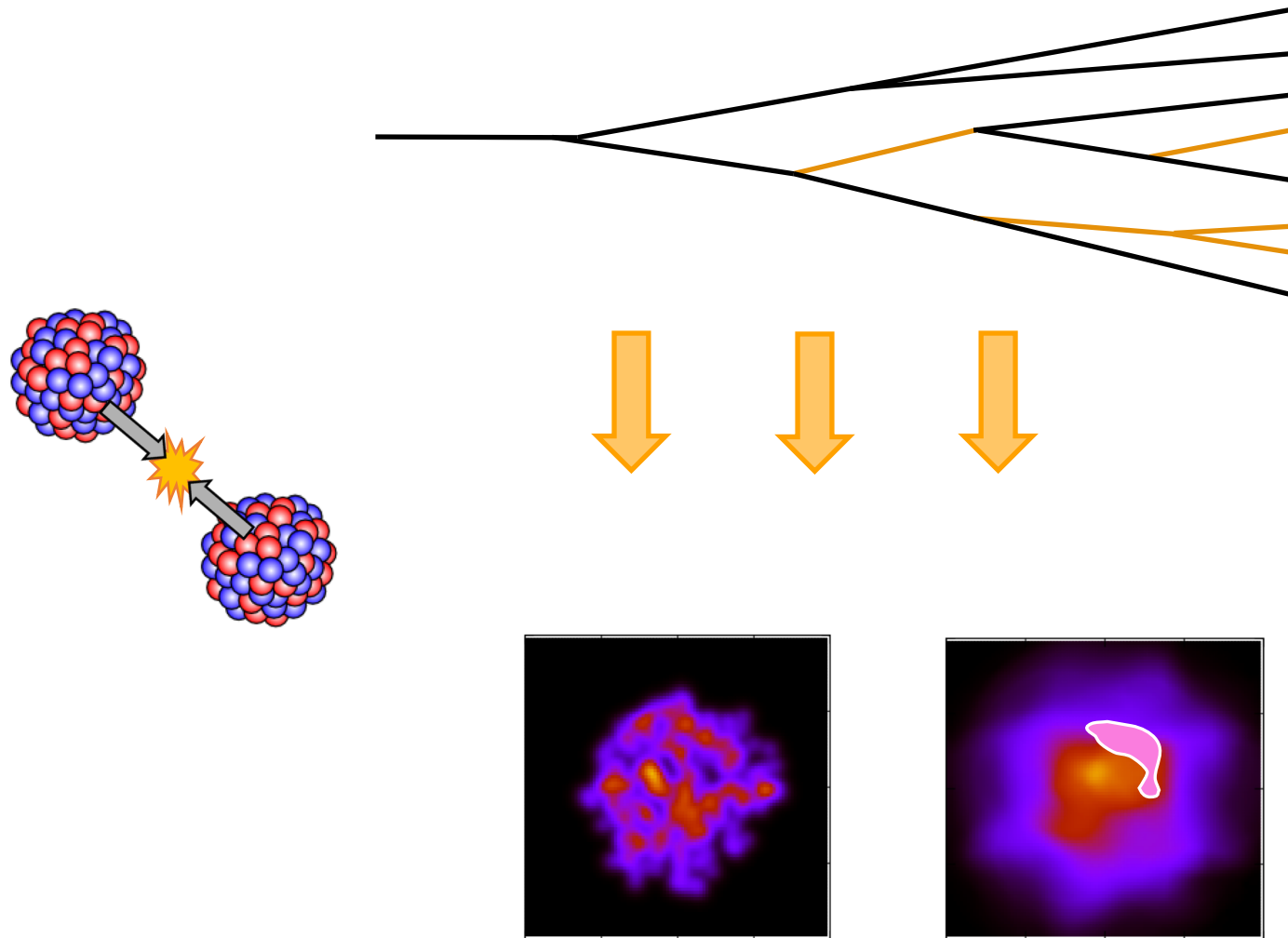
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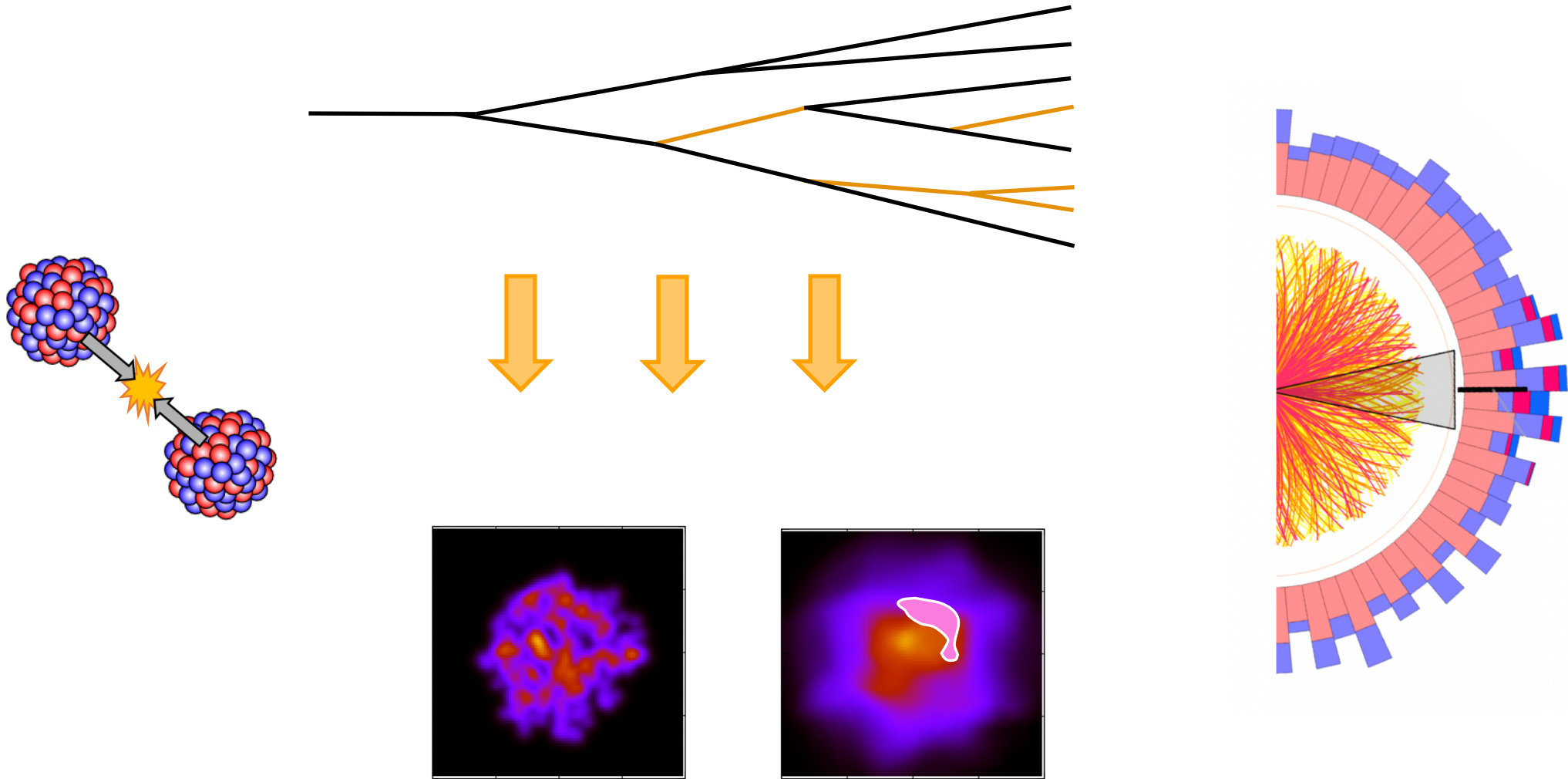
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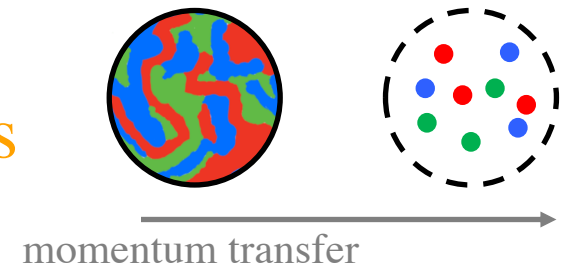
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## Microscopic structure of the QGP on different energy scales

Yang-Ting Chien: 8:20



## Far-from-equilibrium response of the QGP

Yasuki Tachibana: 9:00



# Jets as a probe of the quark-gluon plasma

- Models have more physics than the physics we are after
- Models all have some physics deficiencies (no first-principles solution)
- Models with very different physics of jet-medium interaction and medium response can agree with a variety of measurements

Crucial to have a way towards highlighting the physics we care about without requiring that models be perfect

# Toward jets as a calibrated probe of the QGP

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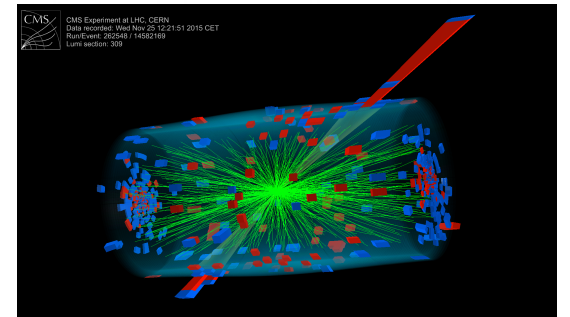


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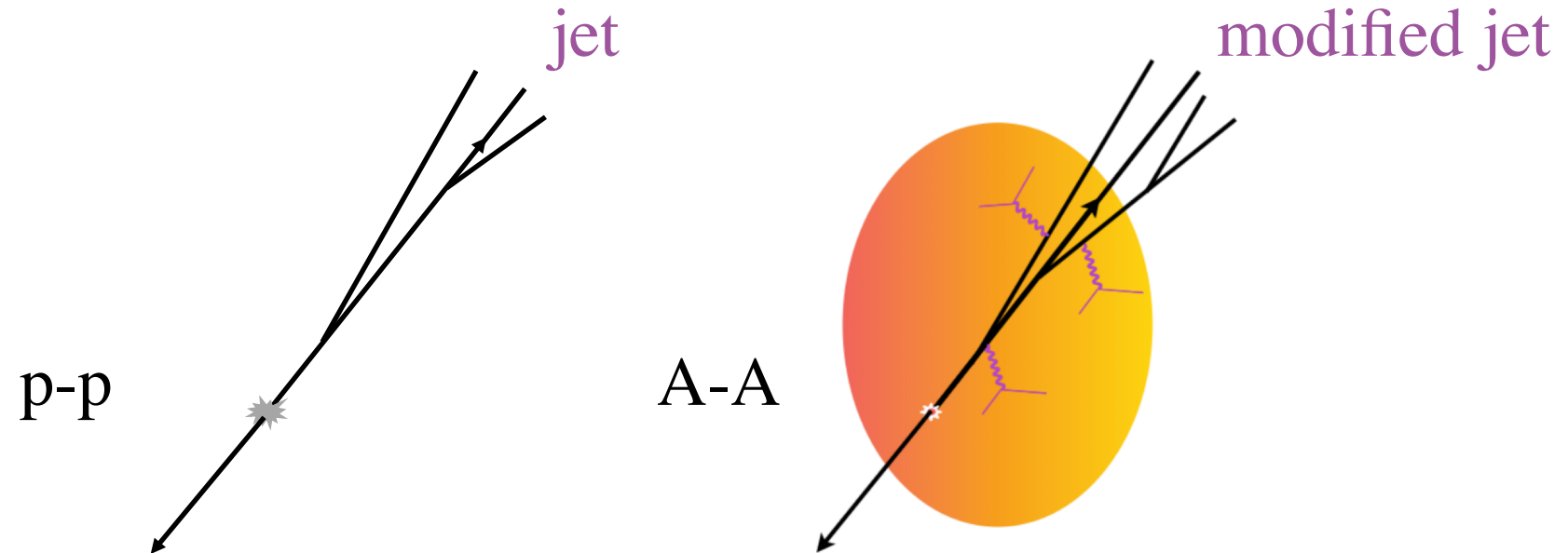
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# How can jet modification be quantified?

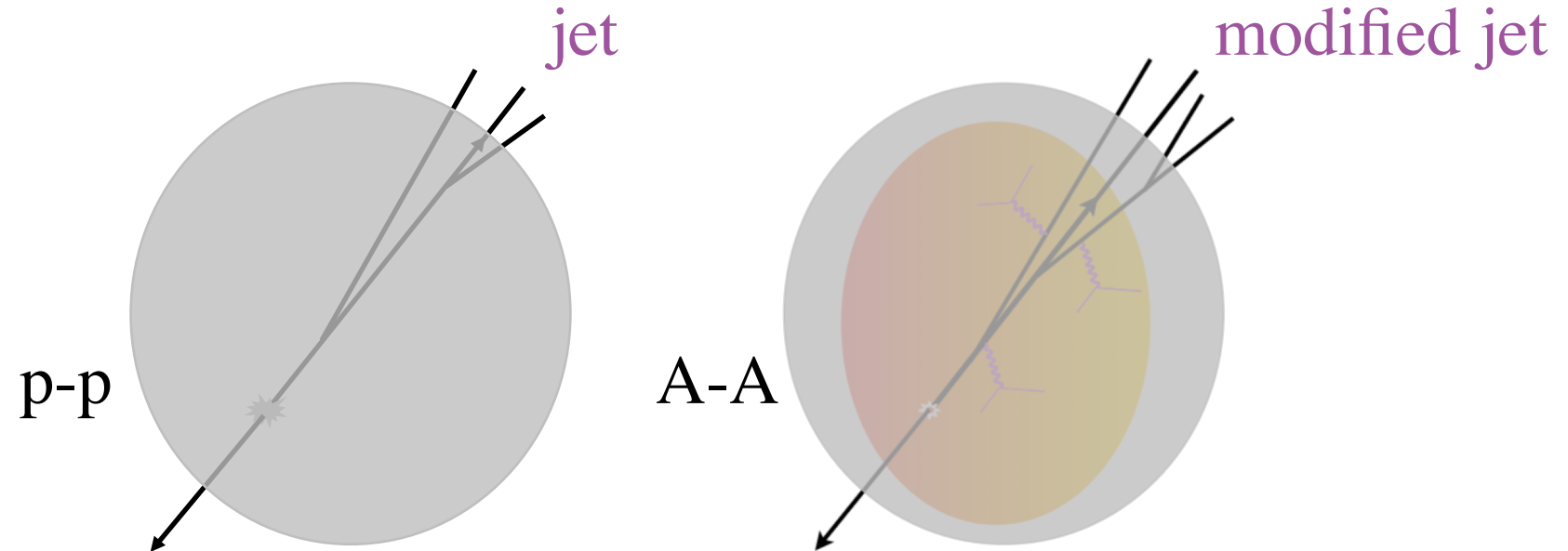
Ideally...



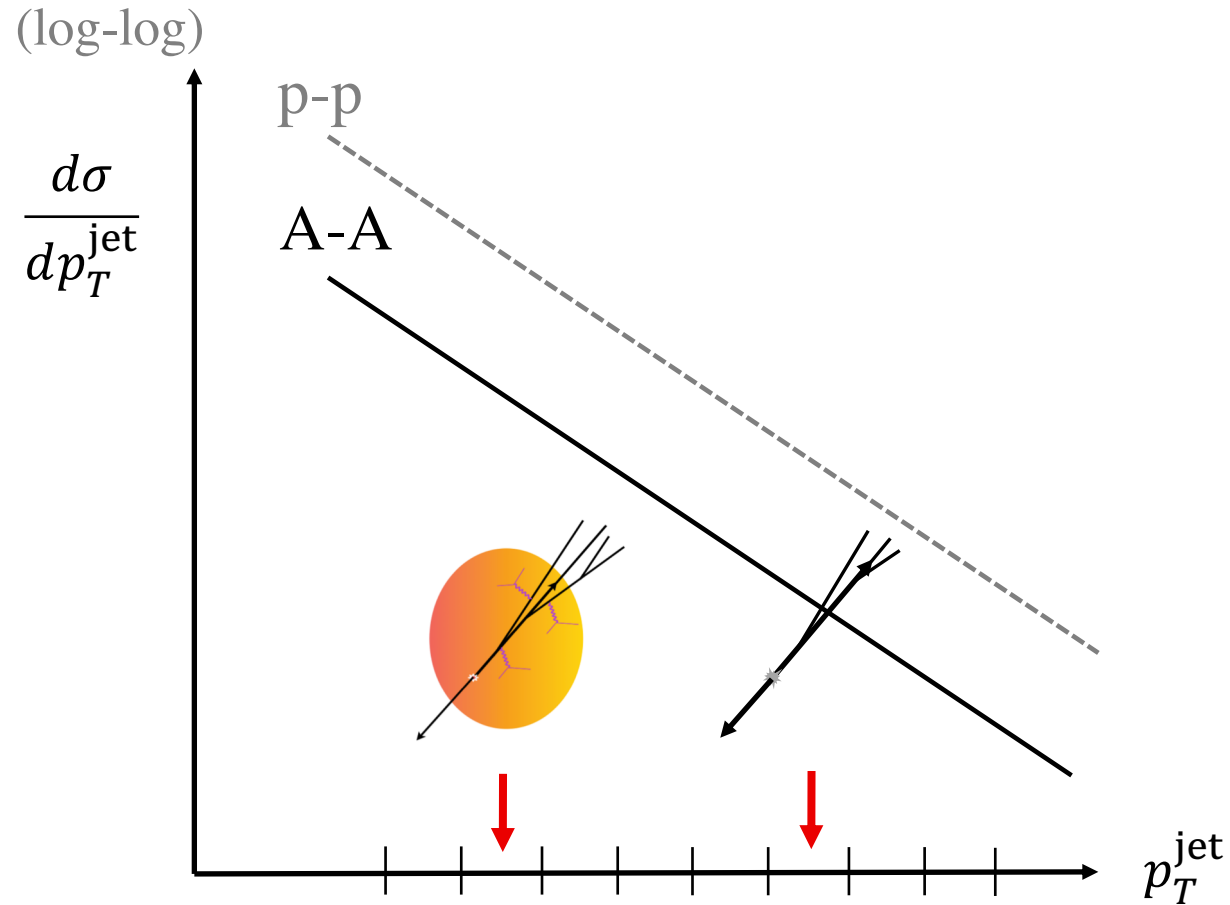
How do jets from an identical hard process differ in vacuum and in medium?

For inclusive jets, features of hard process cannot be observed

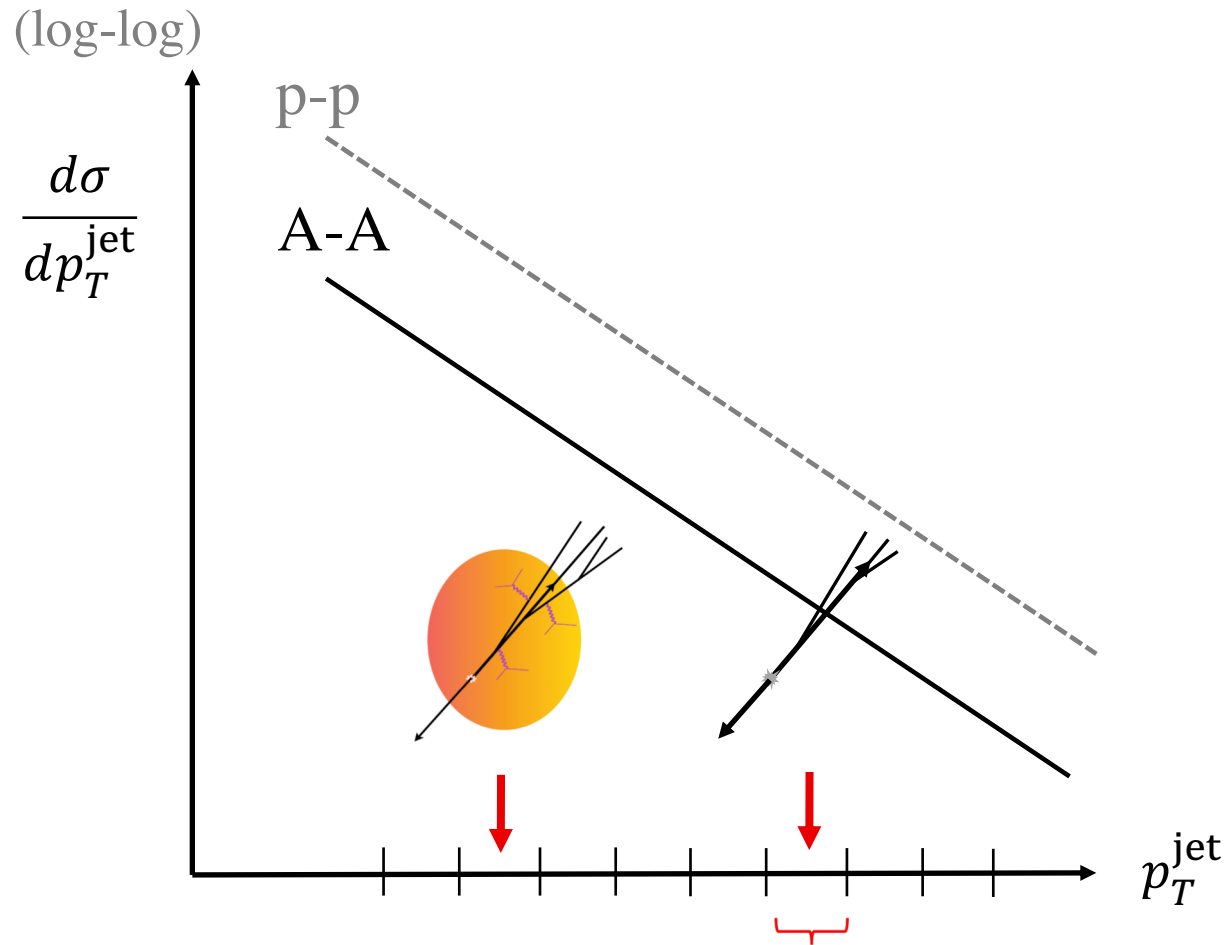
Reality...



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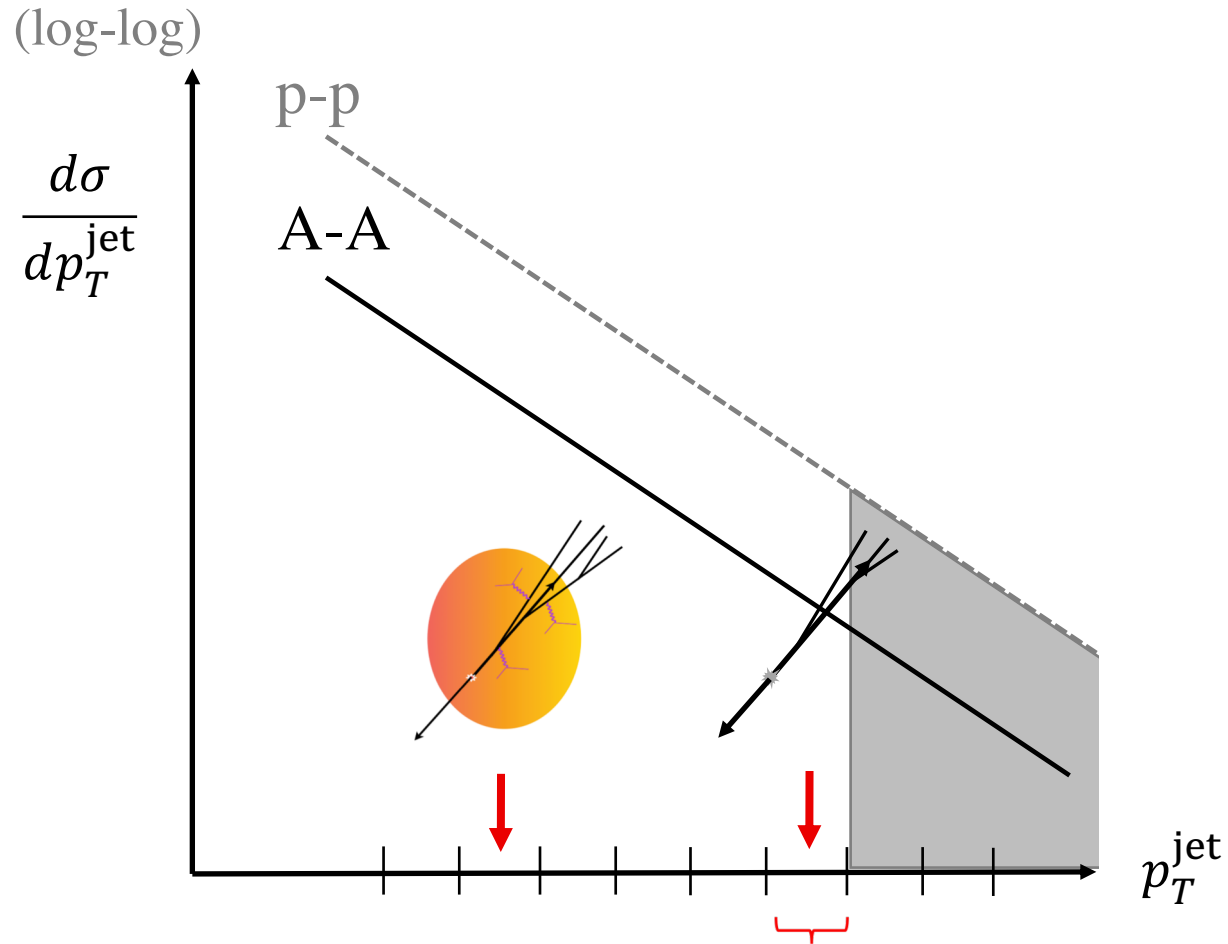


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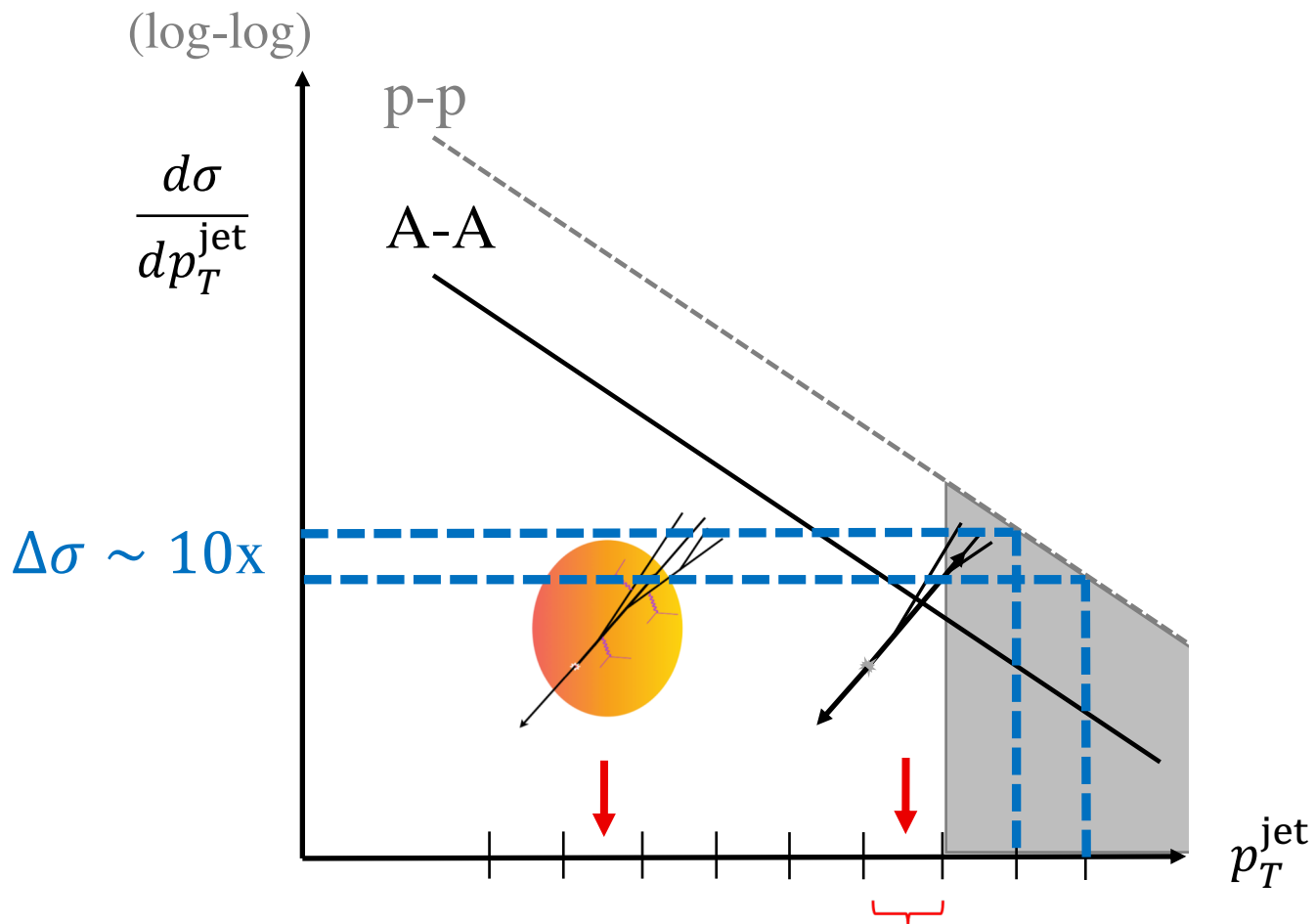
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$\Delta p_T \sim 50 \text{ GeV}$

- Produced with higher  $p_T$  in vacuum
- Production cross-section falls by factor of  $\sim 10$  between 100 and 150 GeV!

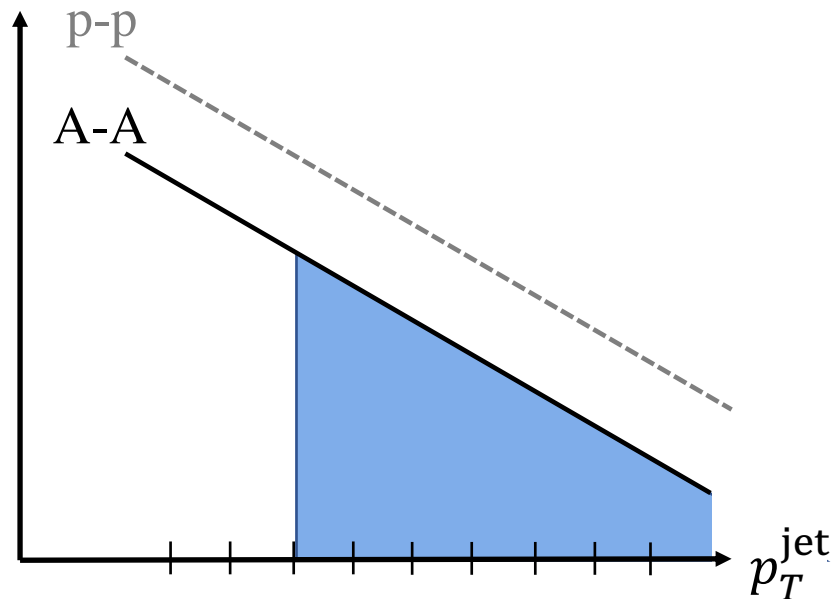
CMS [1601.02001]

Most are relatively unmodified since those are produced in highest numbers!

# Interpretation of modification depends crucially on jet selection

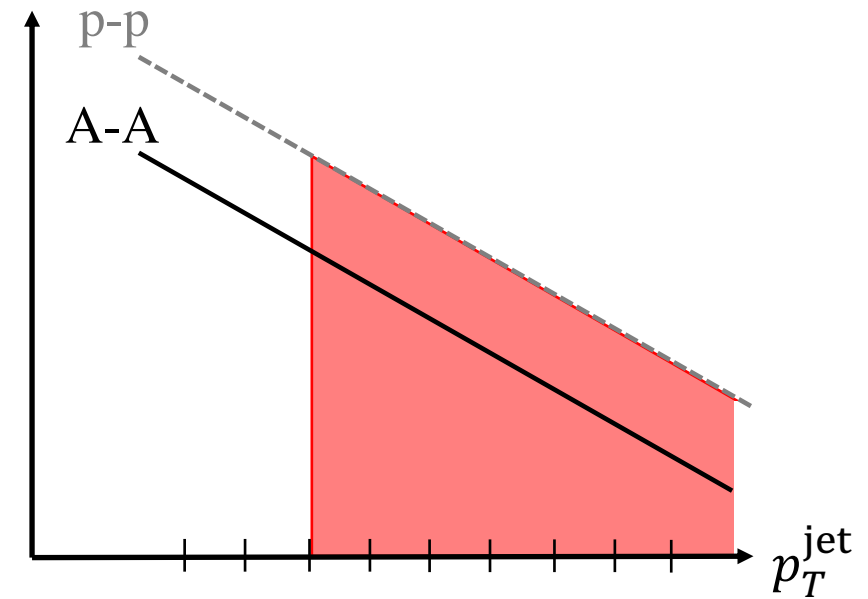
In hybrid model can look at the *same jet* before and after quenching

Casalderrey-Solana, Gulhan, Milhano, Pablos, Rajagopal [1405.3864]



Where did A-A jets come from?

Probed in inclusive jet



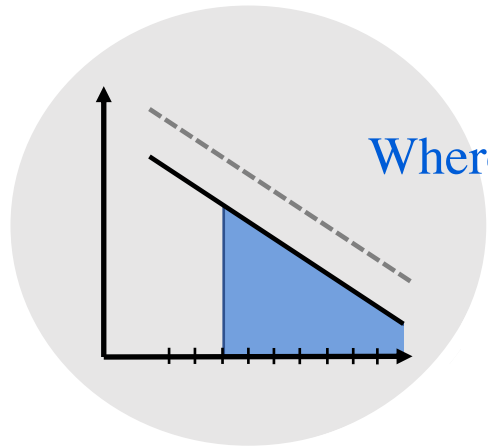
What do p-p jets become?

Probed in boson+jet

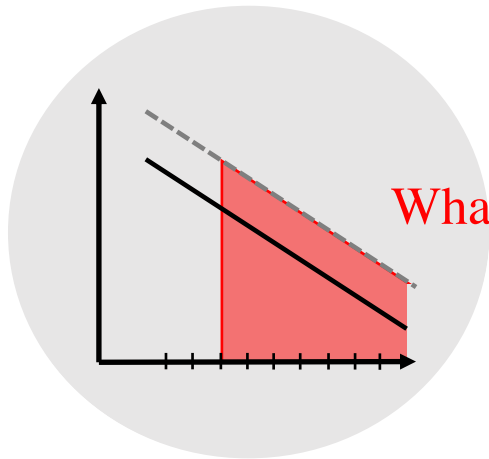
These questions have qualitatively different answers!



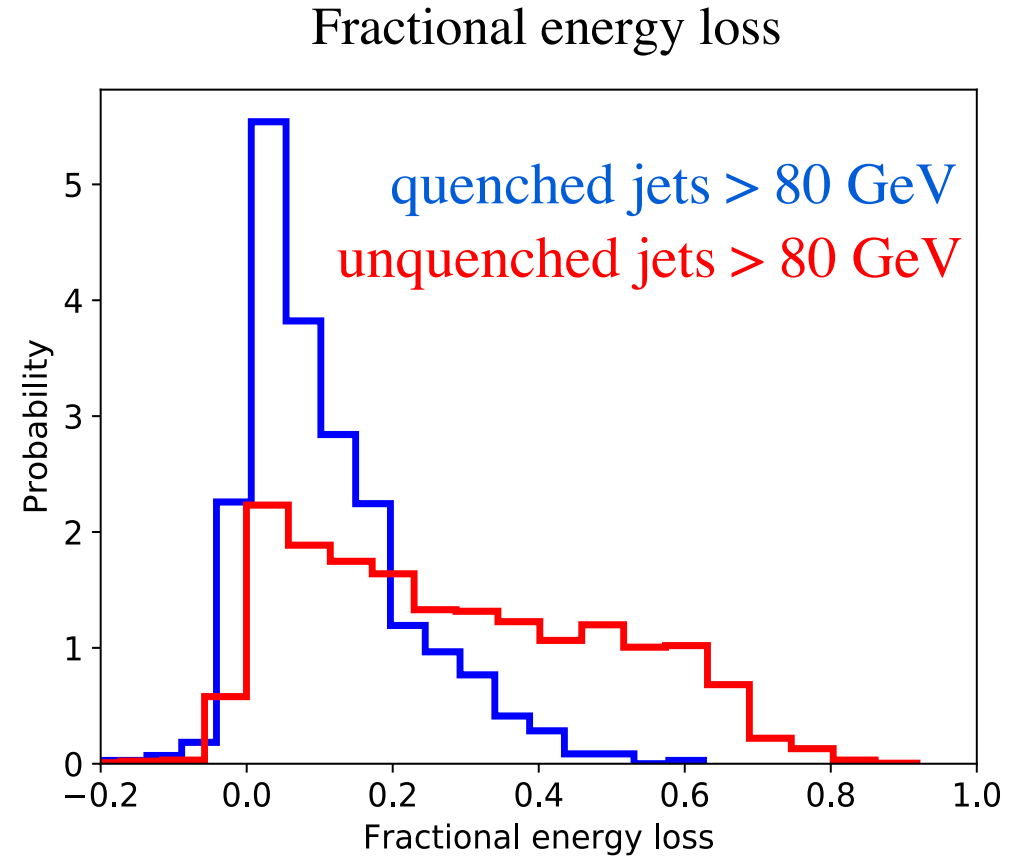
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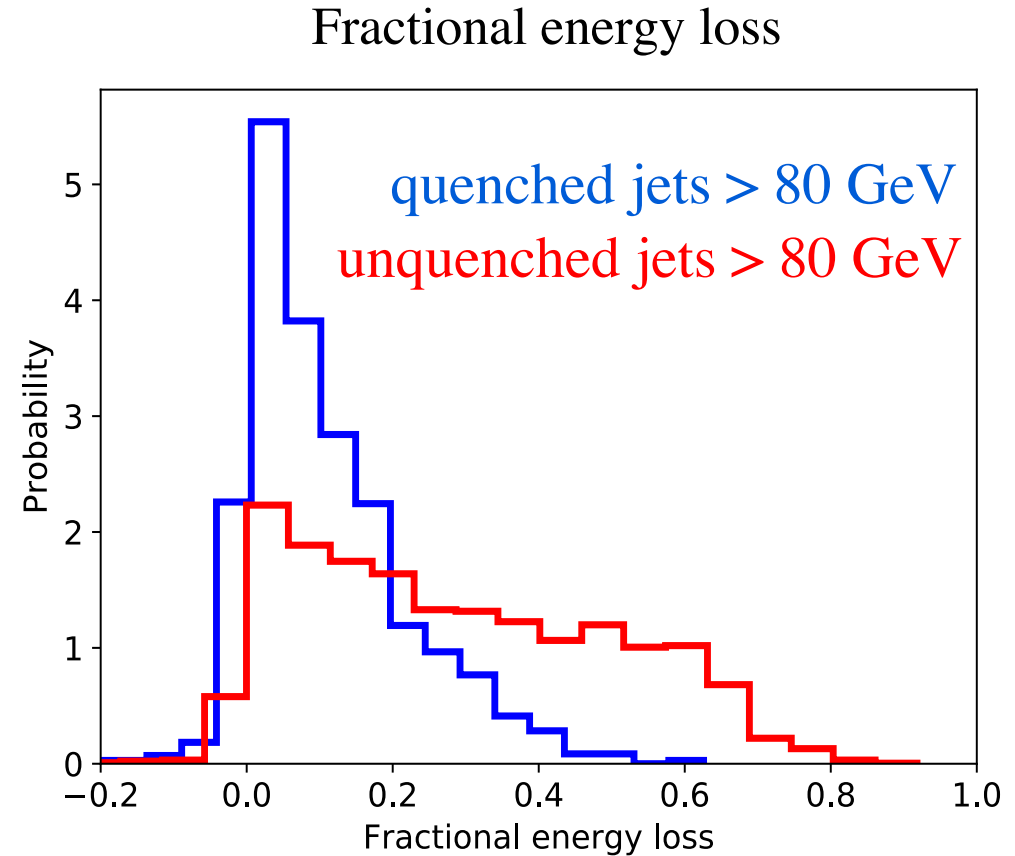
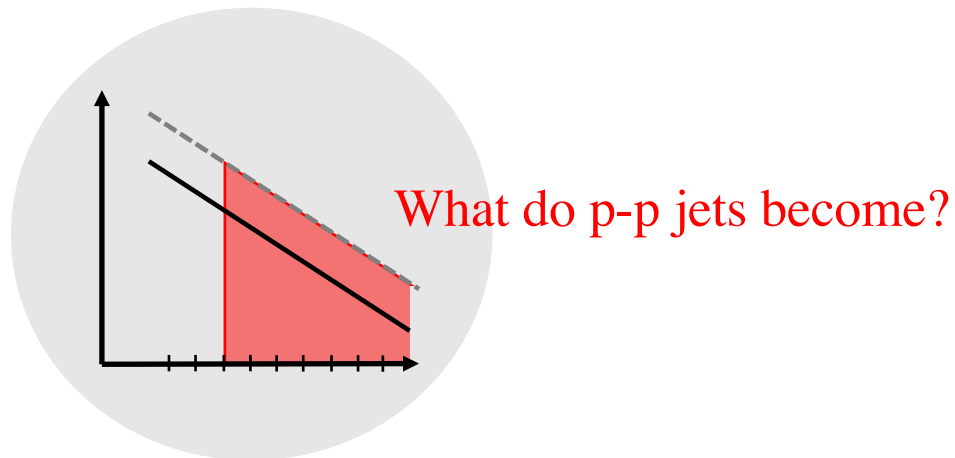
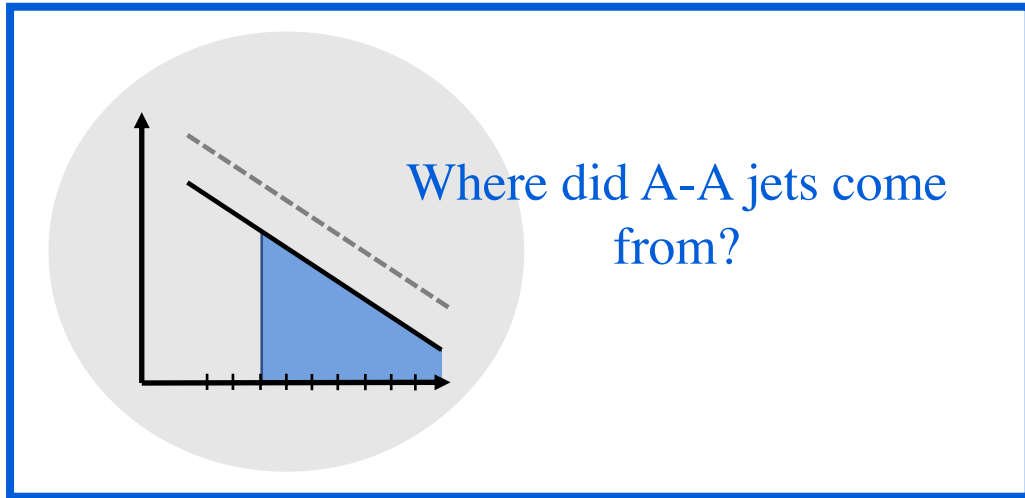
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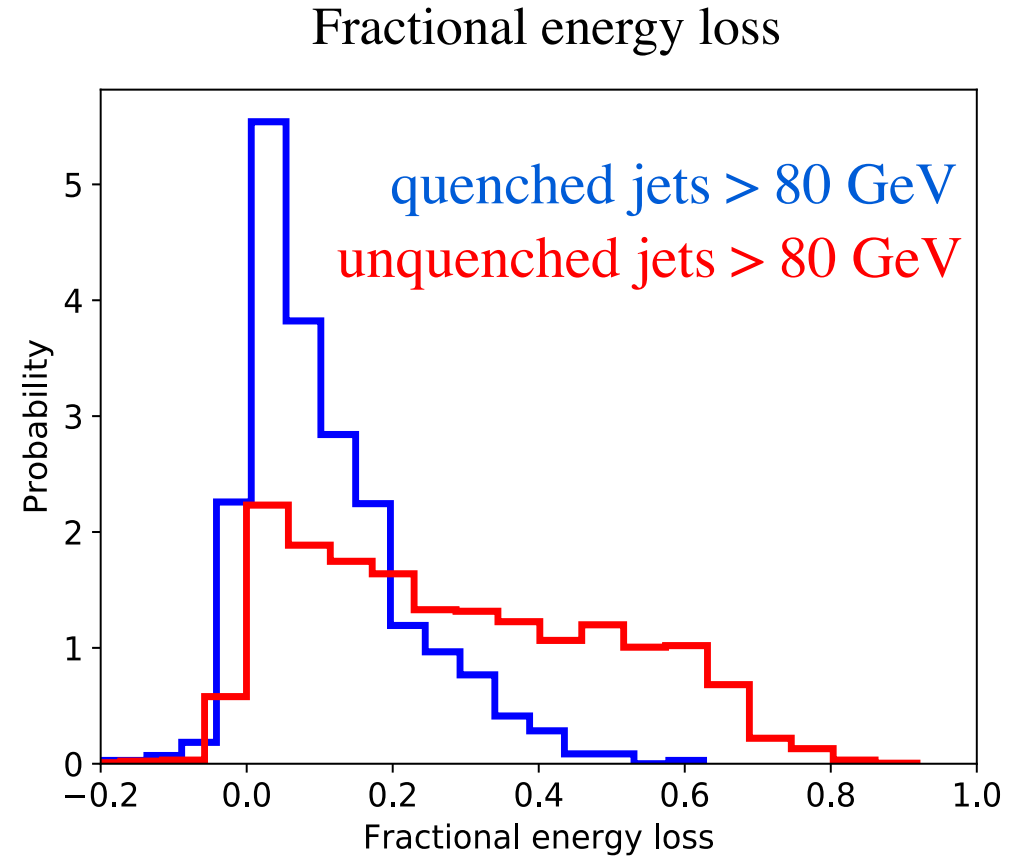
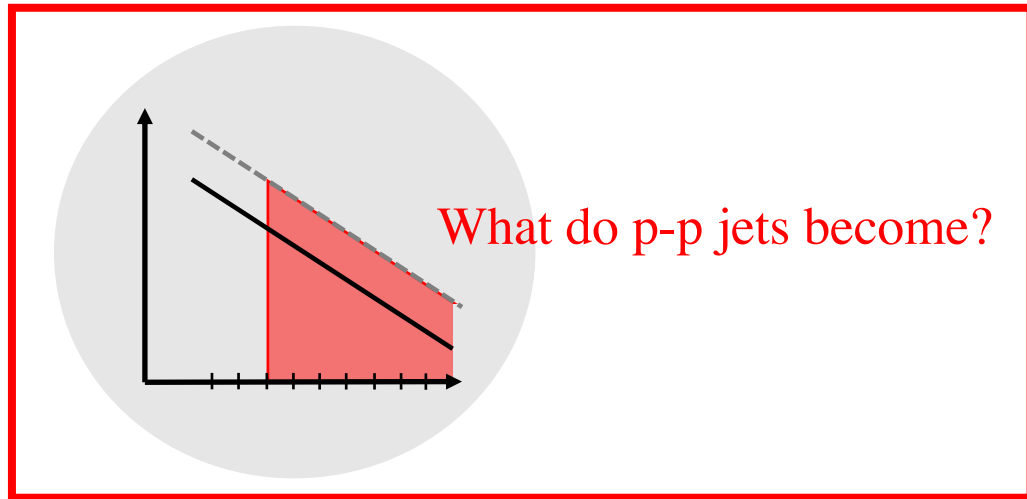
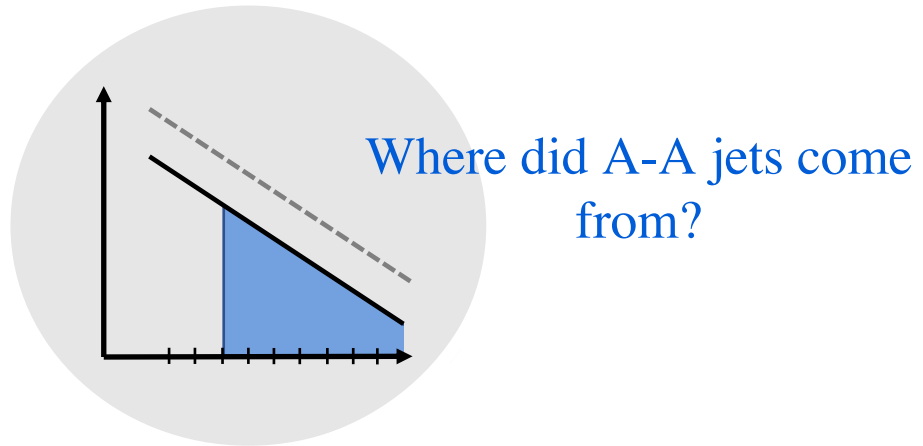


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Sample of jets that lost little energy

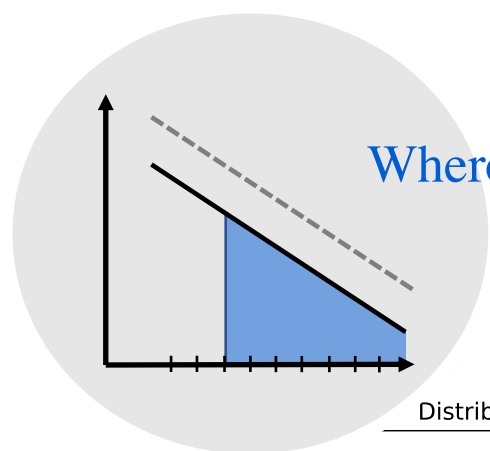
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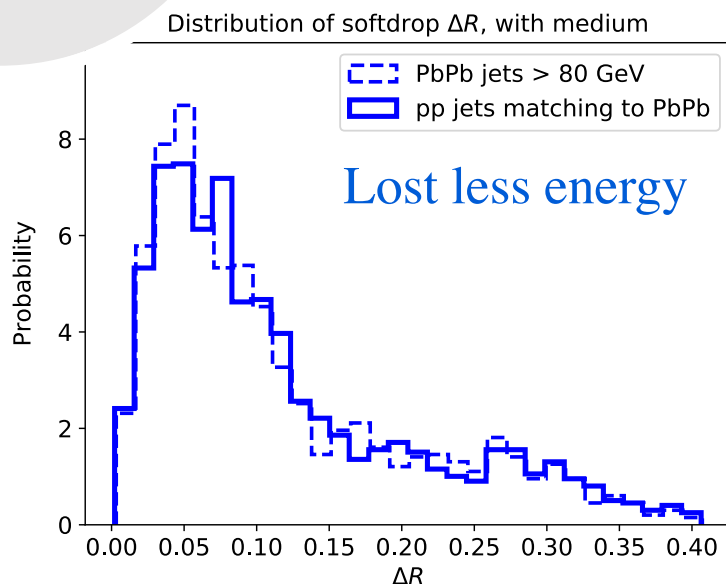
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Larger energy loss probed with  $\gamma/Z$ +jet

# Hybrid model study: interpretation depends crucially on jet selection



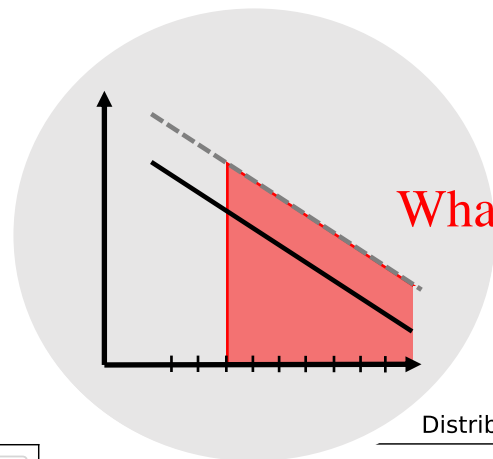
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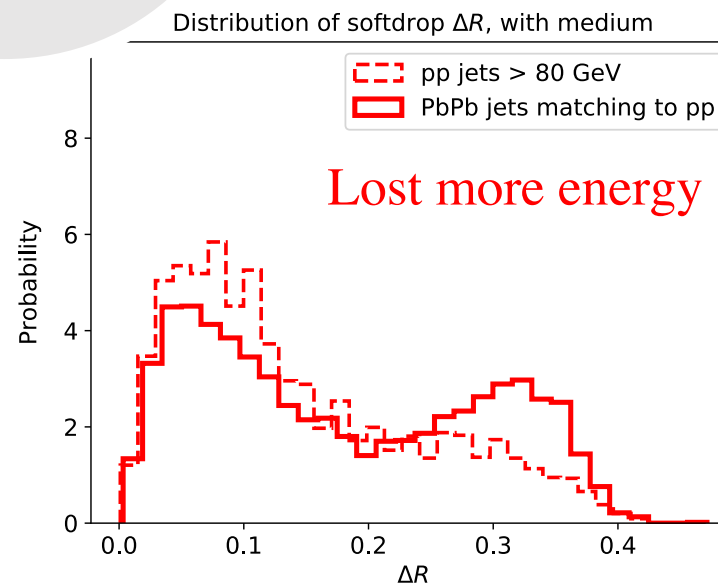
Little  $\Delta R$  modification

Casalderrey-Solana, Milhano, Pablos, Rajagopal [2002.09193]

Jasmine Brewer (MIT)



What do p-p jets become?



Dramatic  $\Delta R$  modification

Brewer, Brodsky, Rajagopal; *in preparation*



Quinn Brodsky  
MIT undergraduate

# Toward jets as a calibrated probe of the QGP

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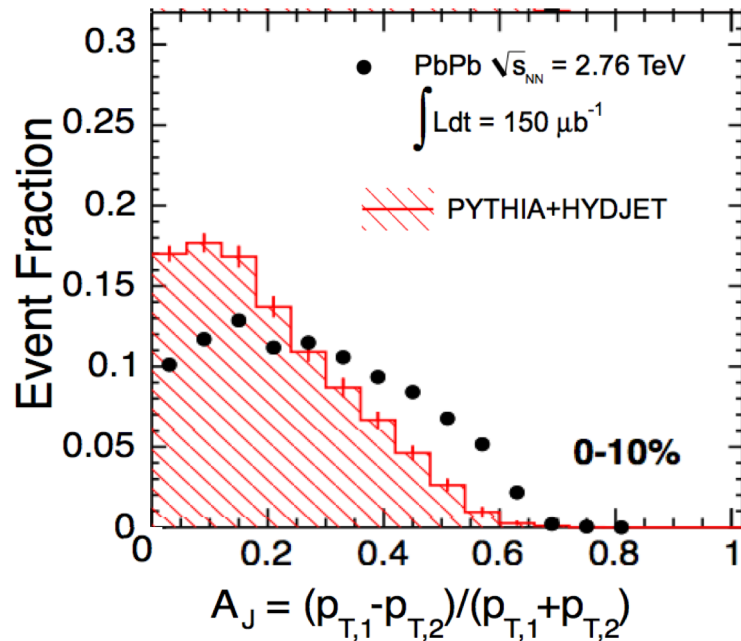
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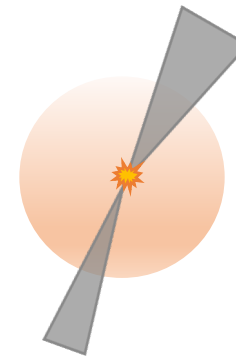
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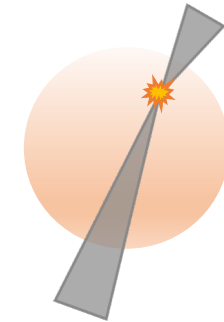
CMS [1202.5022]

(also measured by STAR and ATLAS)

Standard intuition: path-length difference



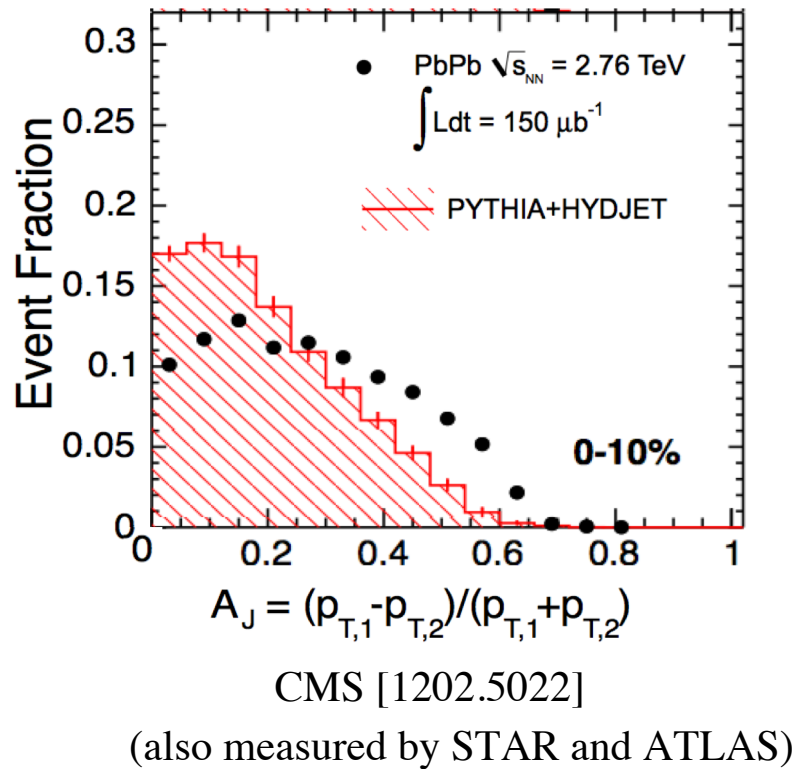
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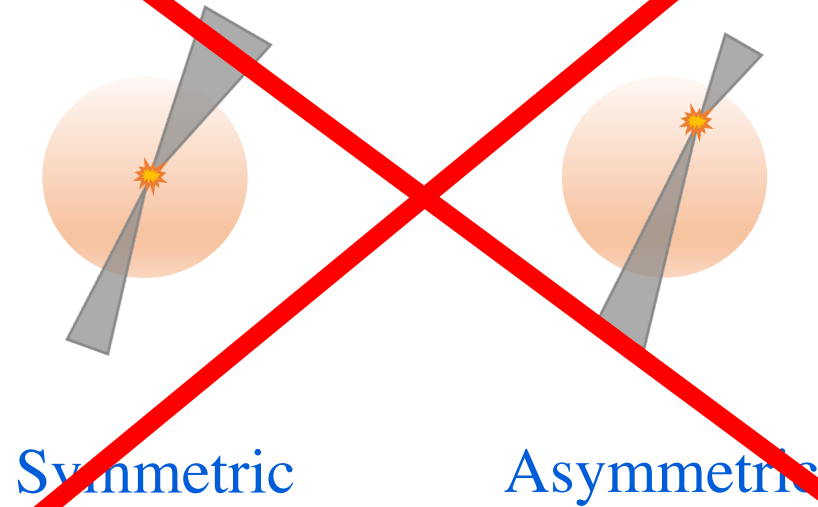
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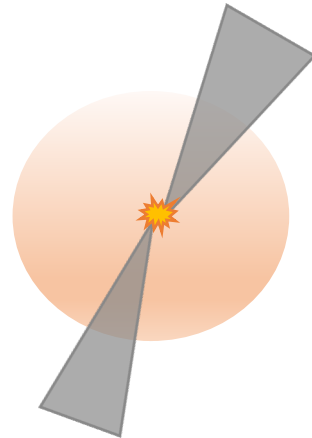
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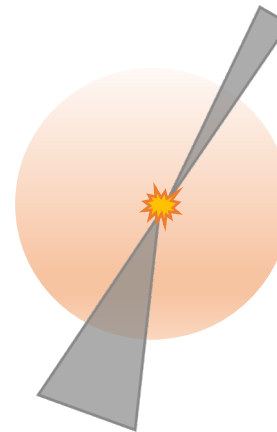
In several very different models, this intuition does *not* appear to be correct

Another effect: fluctuations in jet structure cause asymmetric energy loss

Symmetric



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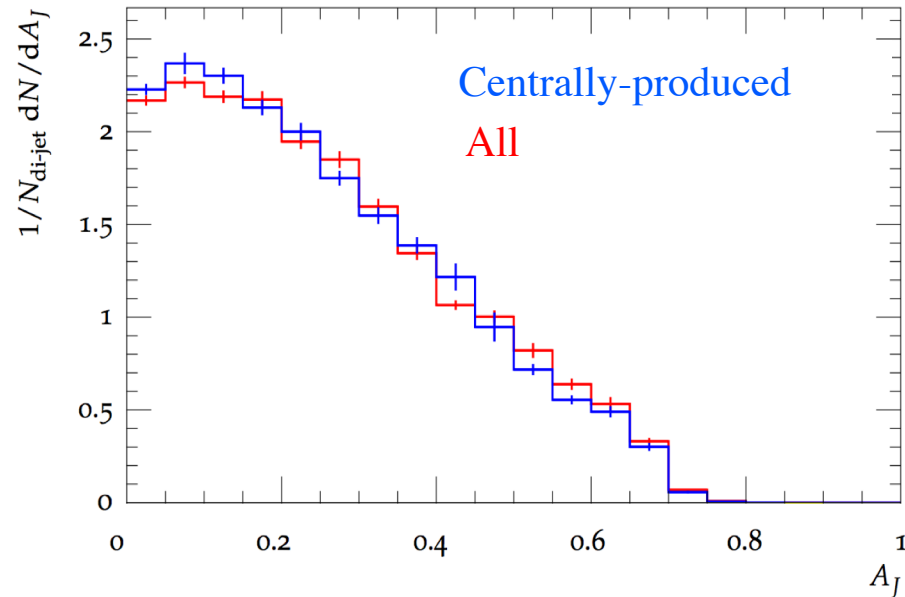


Jets with same path length can lose different amounts of energy from their different structure



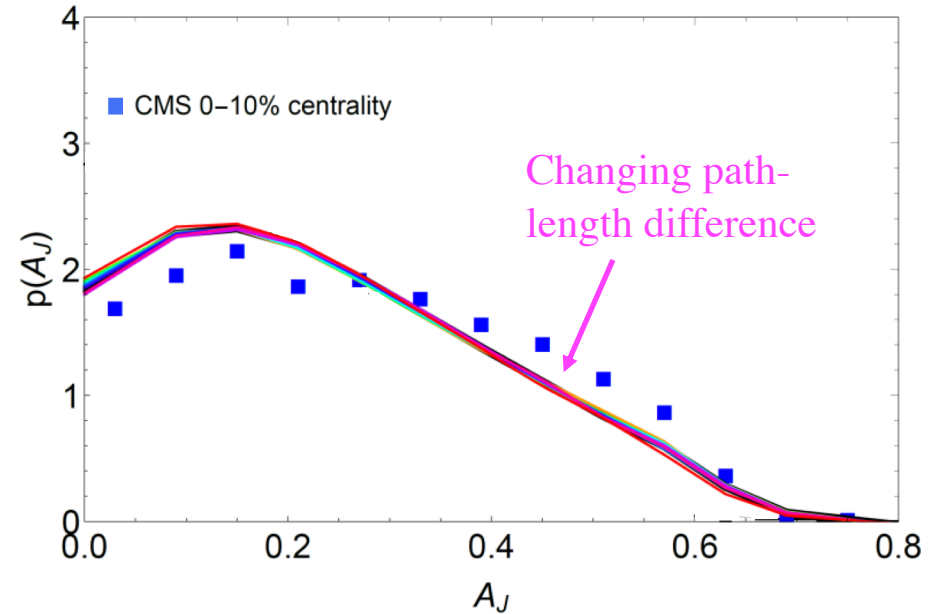
# Dijet asymmetry can be generated with no path-length difference

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Milhano, Zapp [1512.08107]

holographic model



Brewer, Sadofyev, van der Schee [1809.10695]

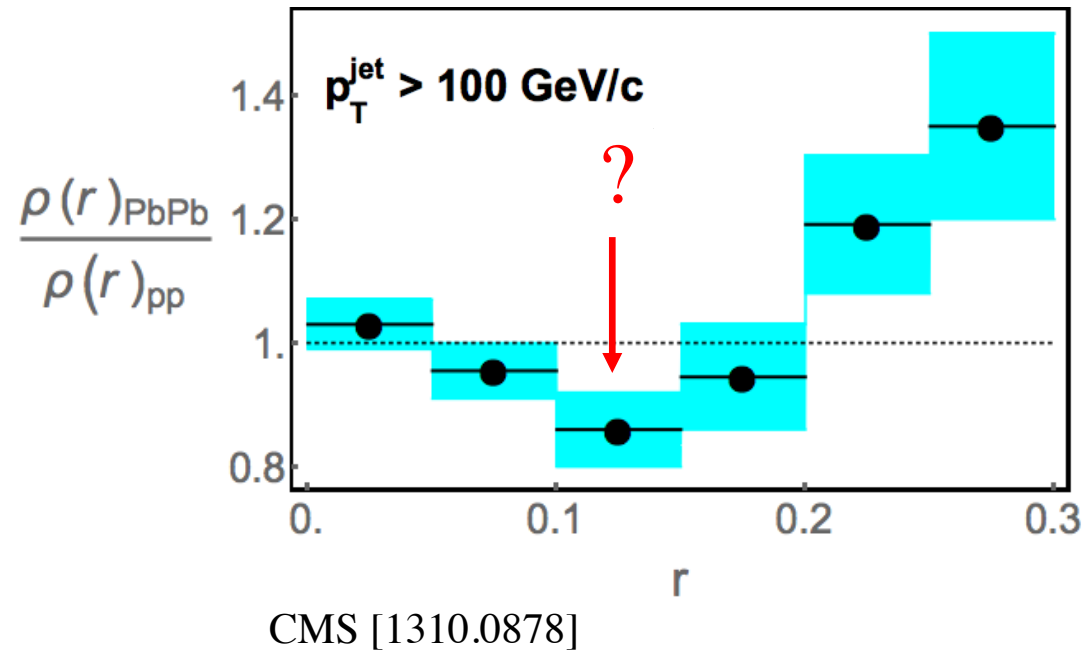
**BDMPS-Z** large energy loss fluctuations generate asymmetry for jets with same path length

Escobedo, Iancu [1601.03629]

In several models, path length difference not crucial for dijet asymmetry

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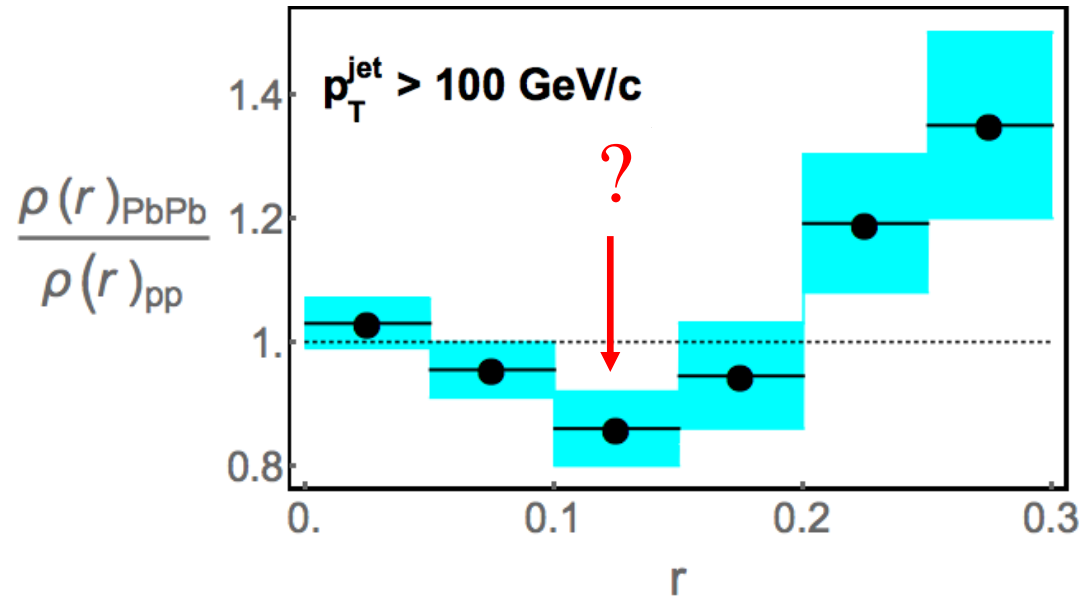
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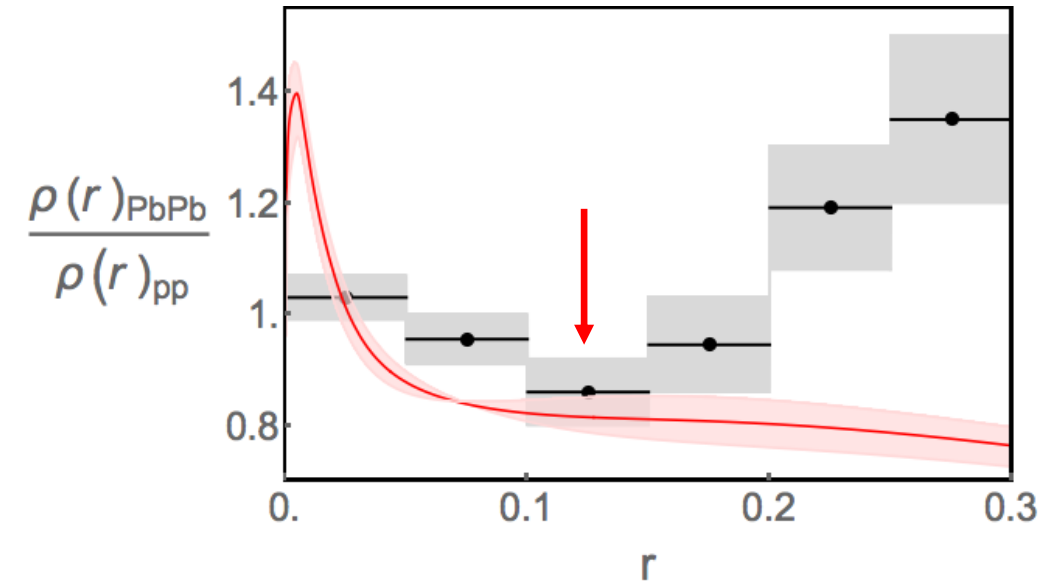
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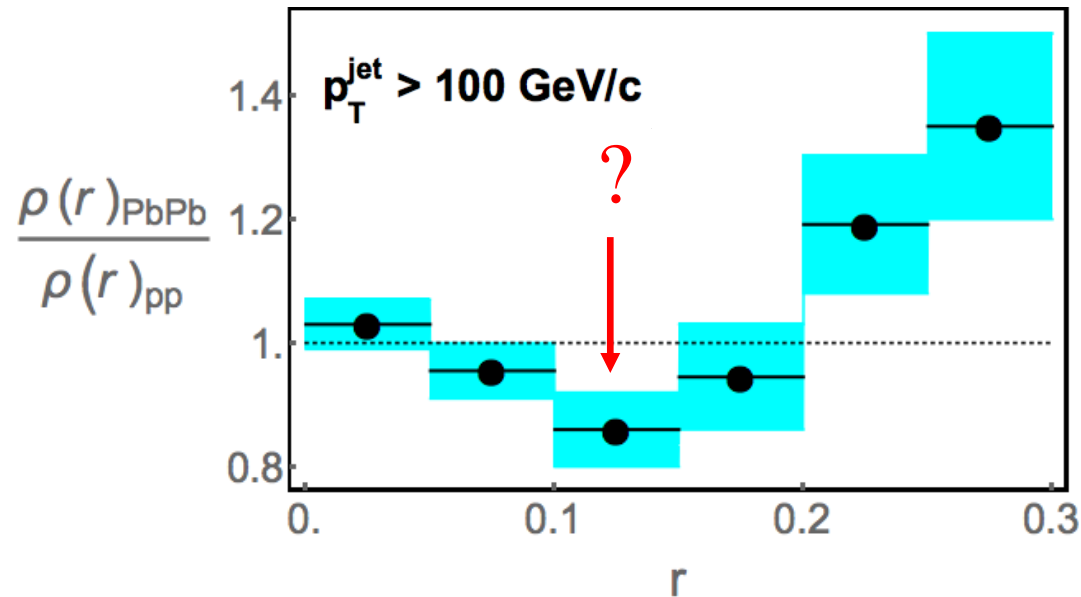
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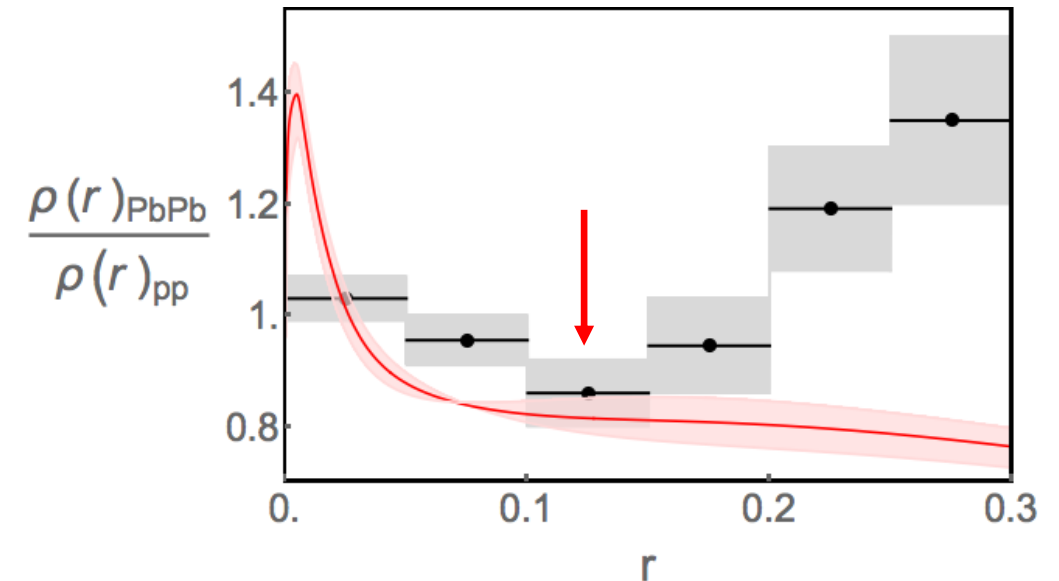
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**Not necessarily**; average jet width can narrow because selection favors (typically narrow) jets that lose least energy (increased quark jet fraction) Chien, Vitev [1509.07257]

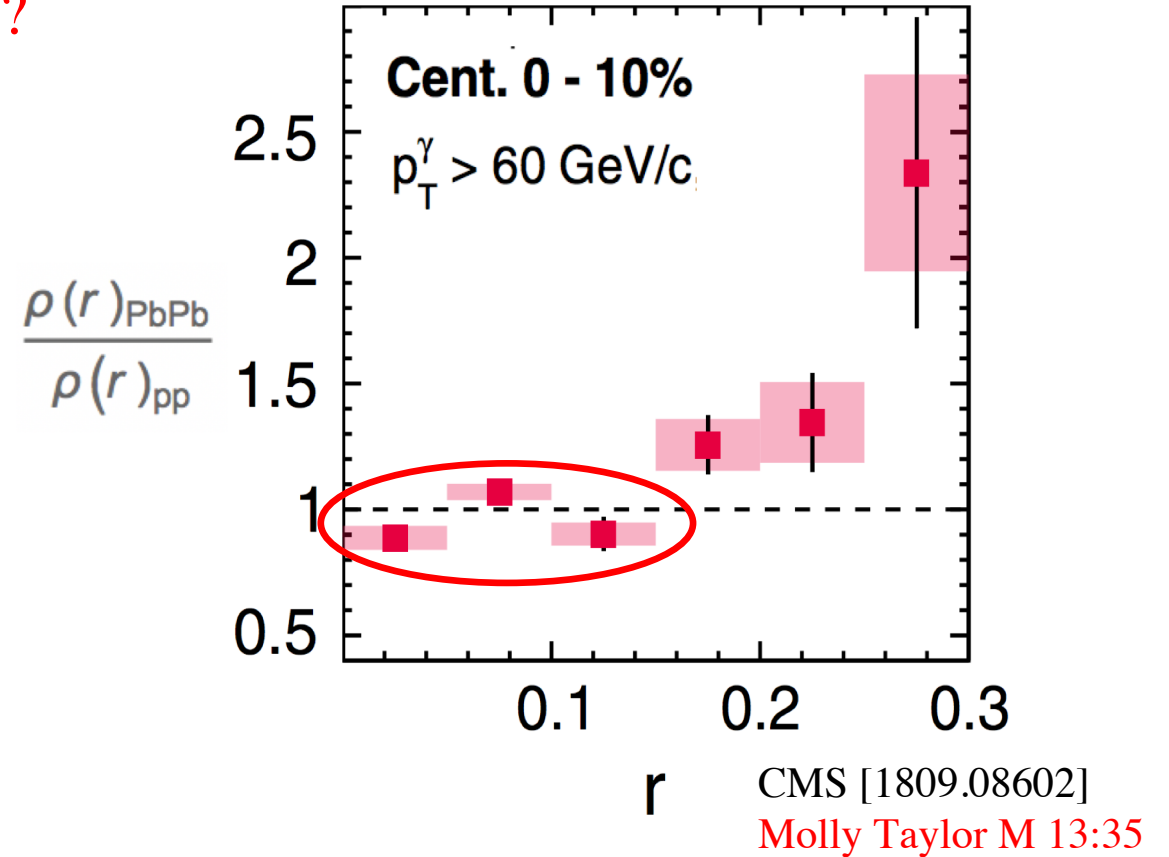
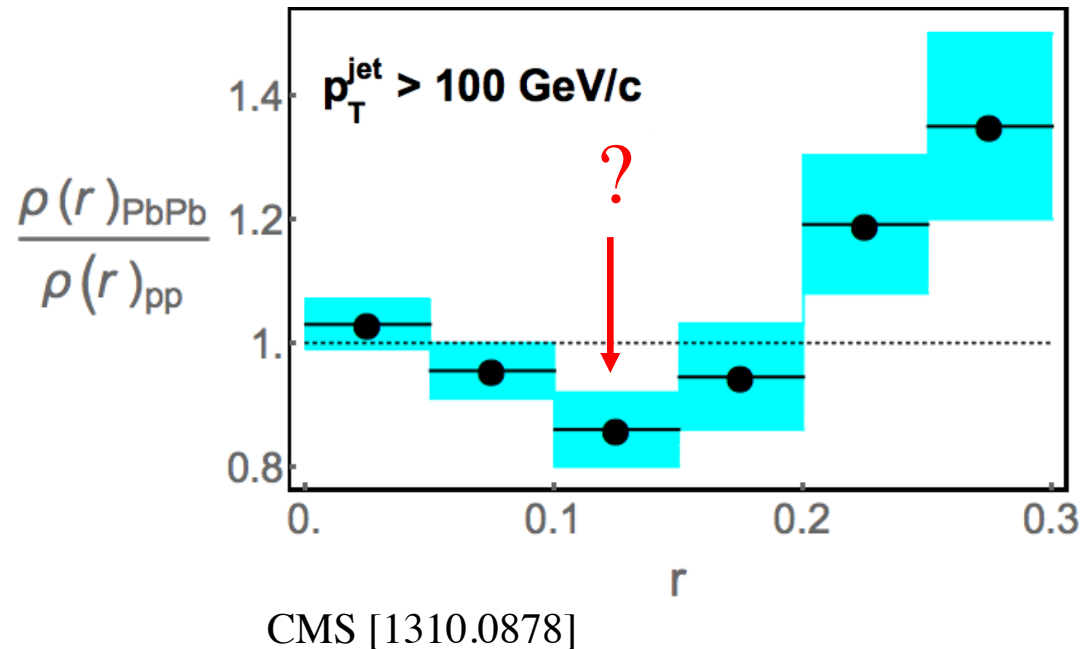
also may impact fragmentation functions

Caucal, Iancu, Mueller, Soyez [2005.05852]

Paul Caucal M 11:40

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Narrowing is not apparent in  $\gamma$ -tagged jets where selection bias is removed

Exciting opportunities of boson-tagged jet measurements!

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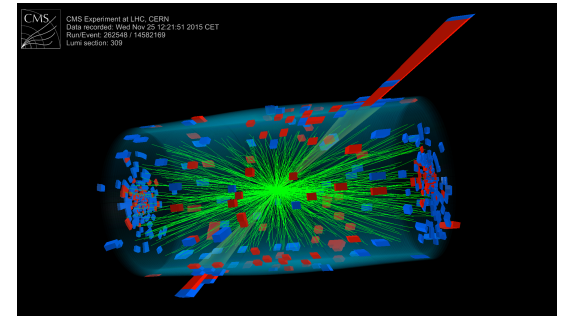
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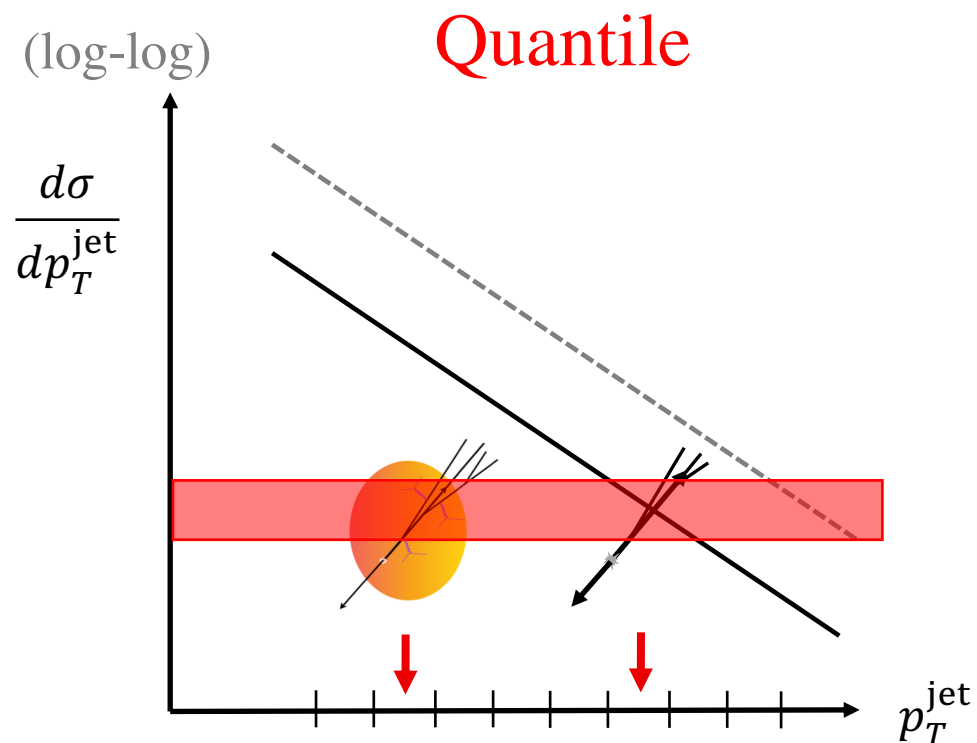
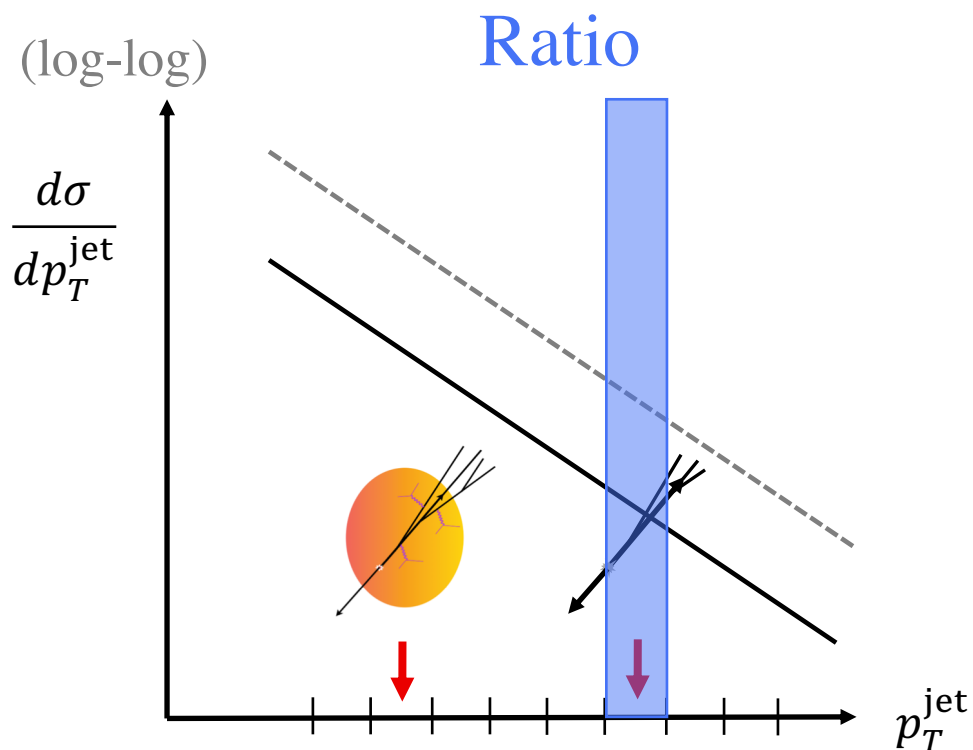
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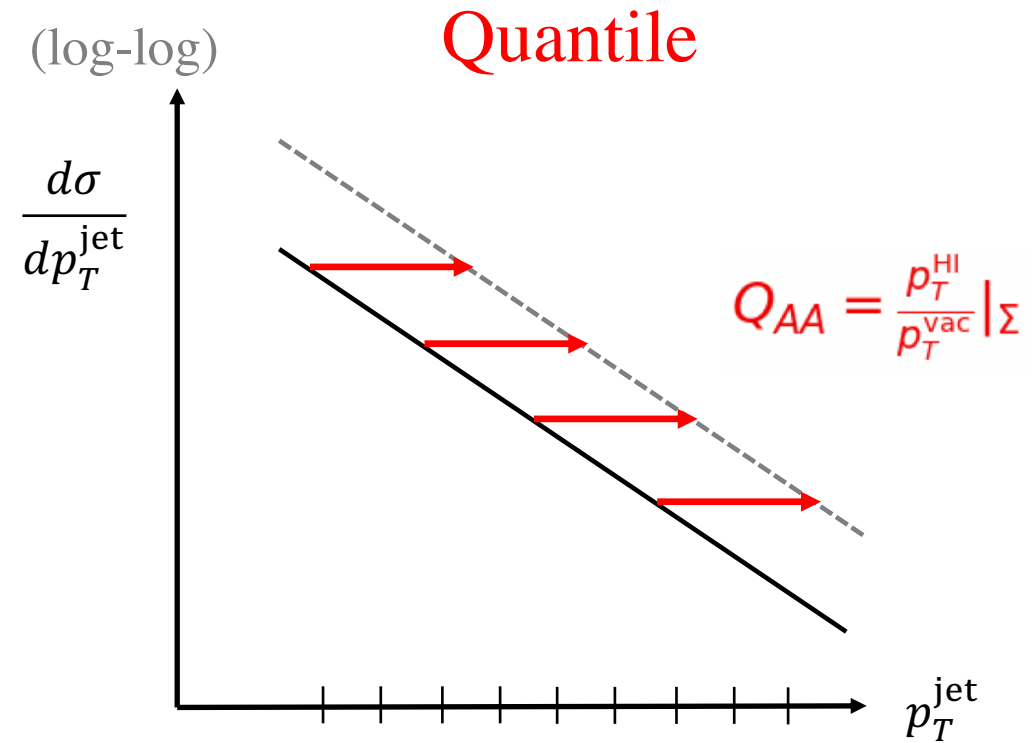
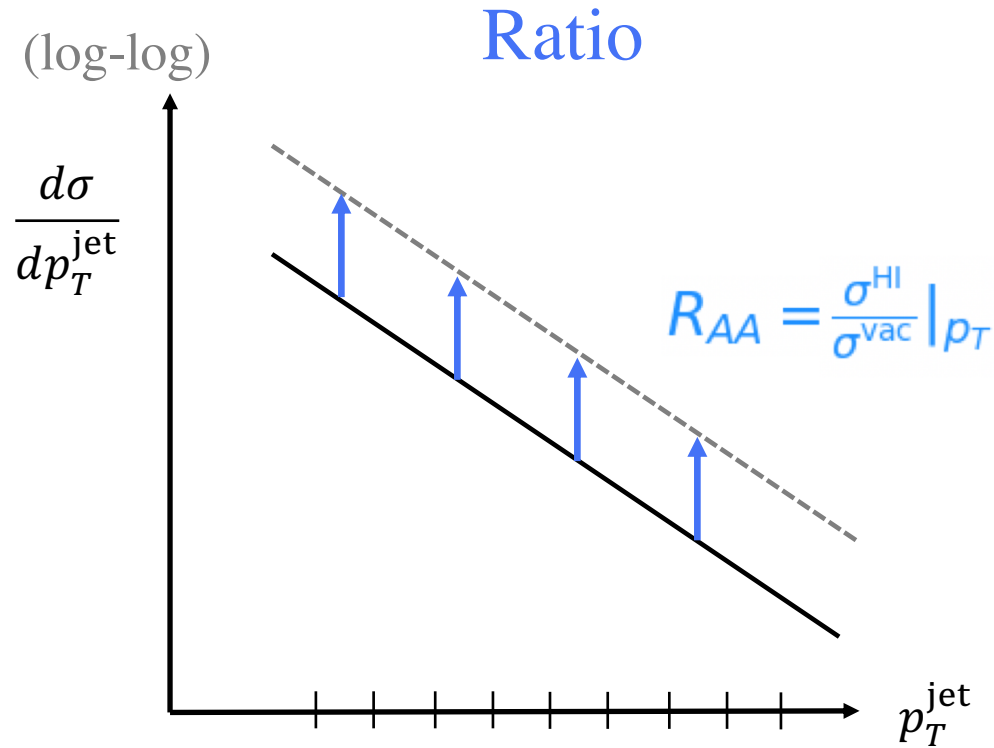


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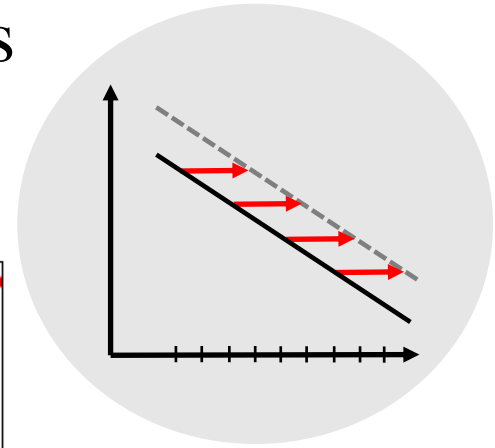
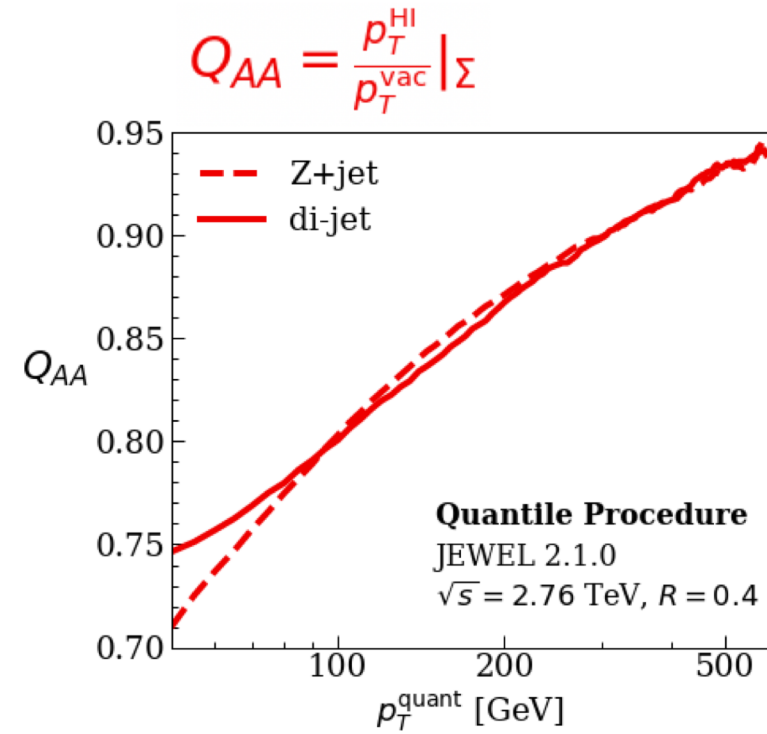
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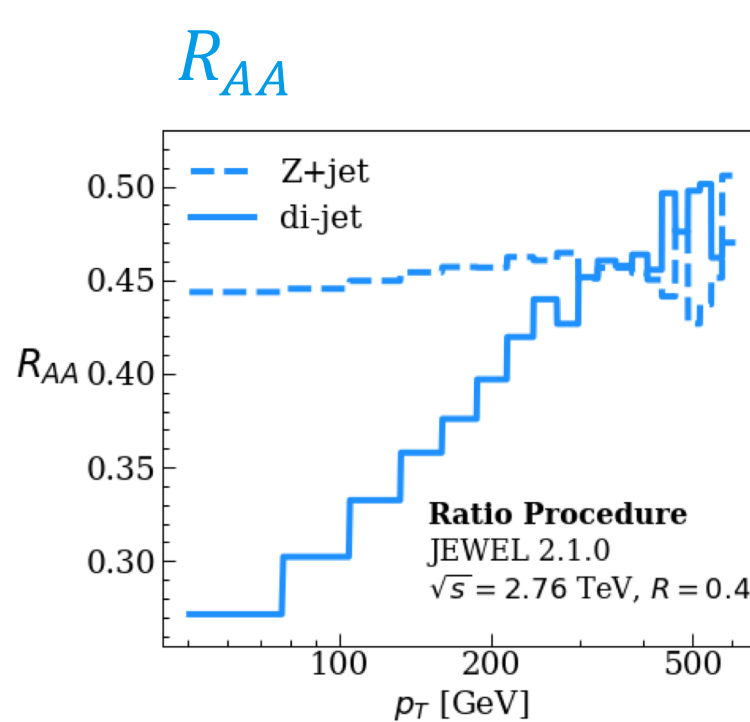
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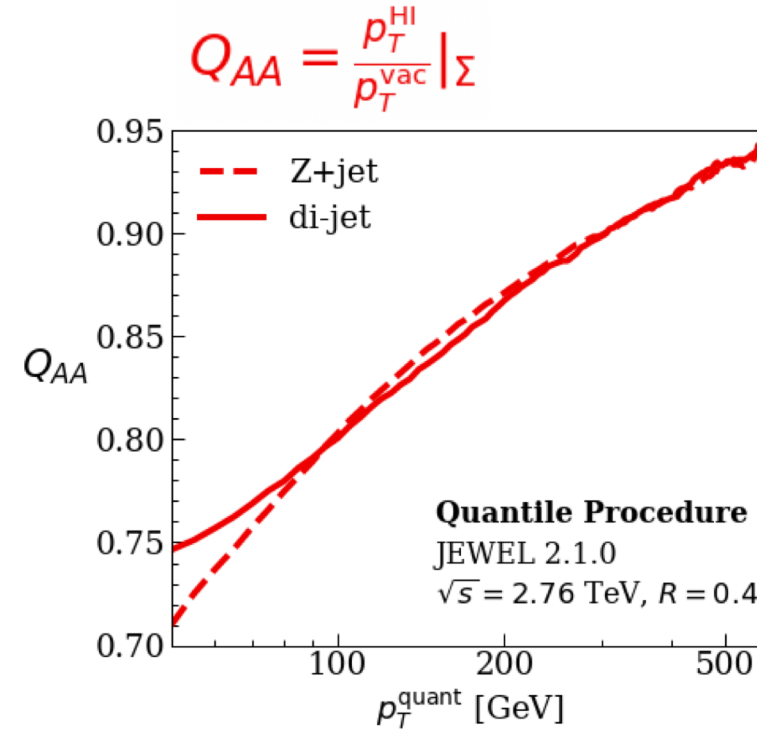
Average  $p_T$  loss per jet

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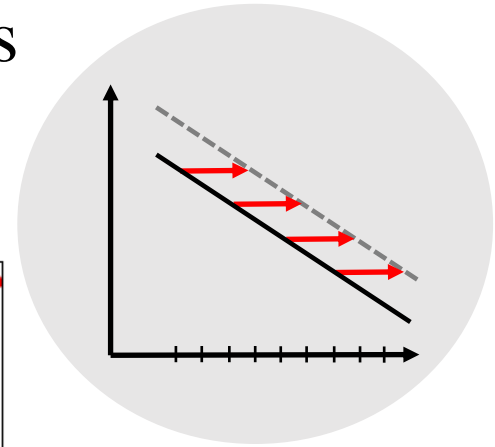
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Average # of jets lost per  $p_T$



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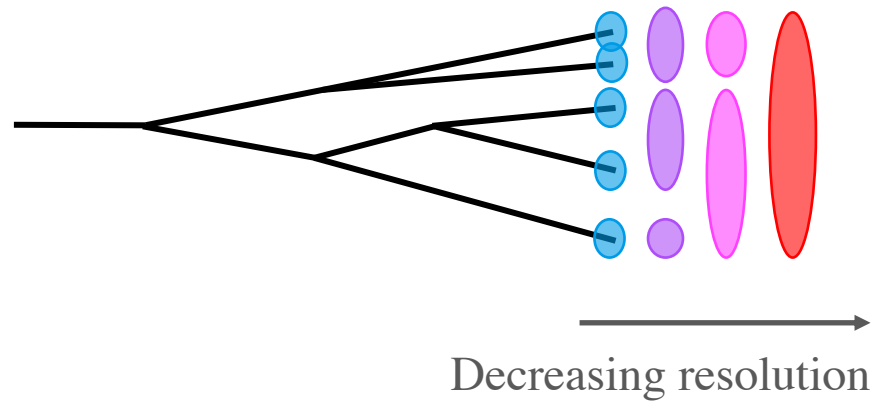
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$Q_{AA}$

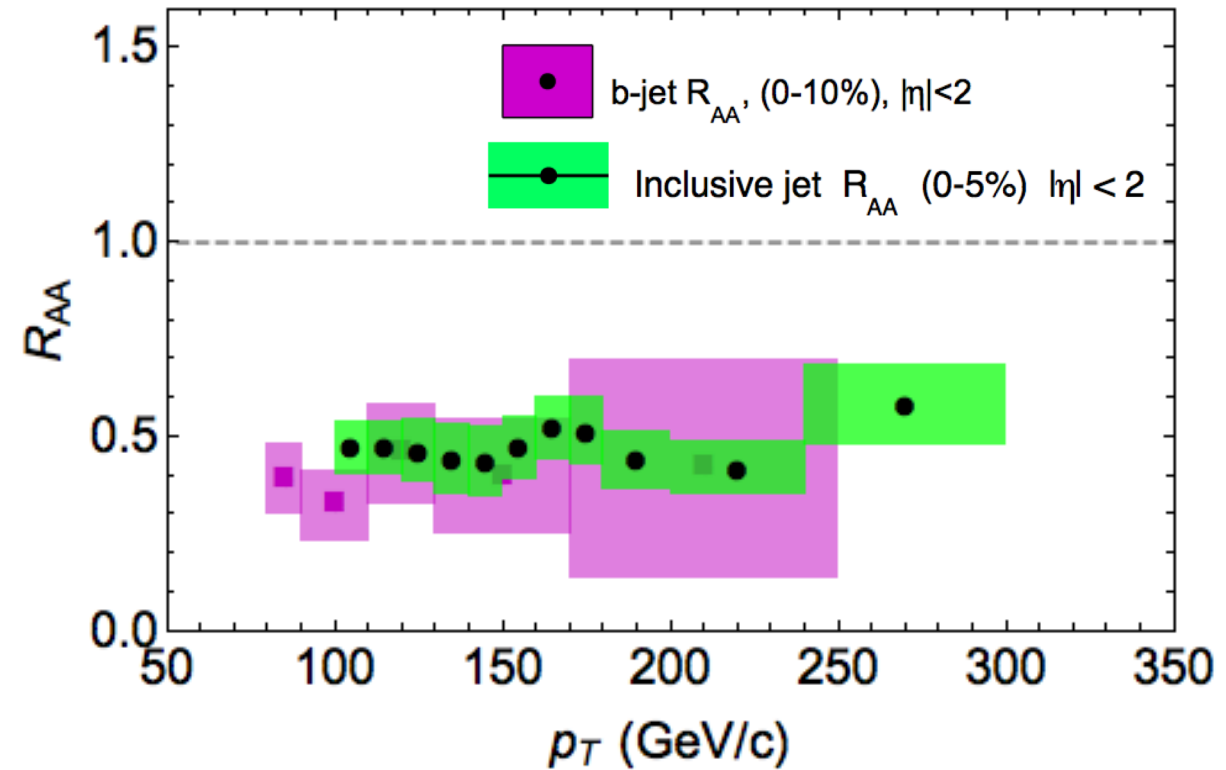
- is much less sensitive to vacuum spectra (crucial for RHIC  $\leftrightarrow$  LHC)
- tends to zero at high  $p_T$  even though  $R_{AA}$  is flat

# Sample-dependence: are quark and gluon jets quenched differently?

On what scale does the QGP resolve the color (sub)structure of a jet?



Spousta, Cole [1504.05169]; Chien, Elayavalli [1803.03589];  
Qui, Ringer, Sato, Zurita [1903.01993];  
Casalderrey-Solana, Milhano, Pablos, Rajagopal [1907.11248];  
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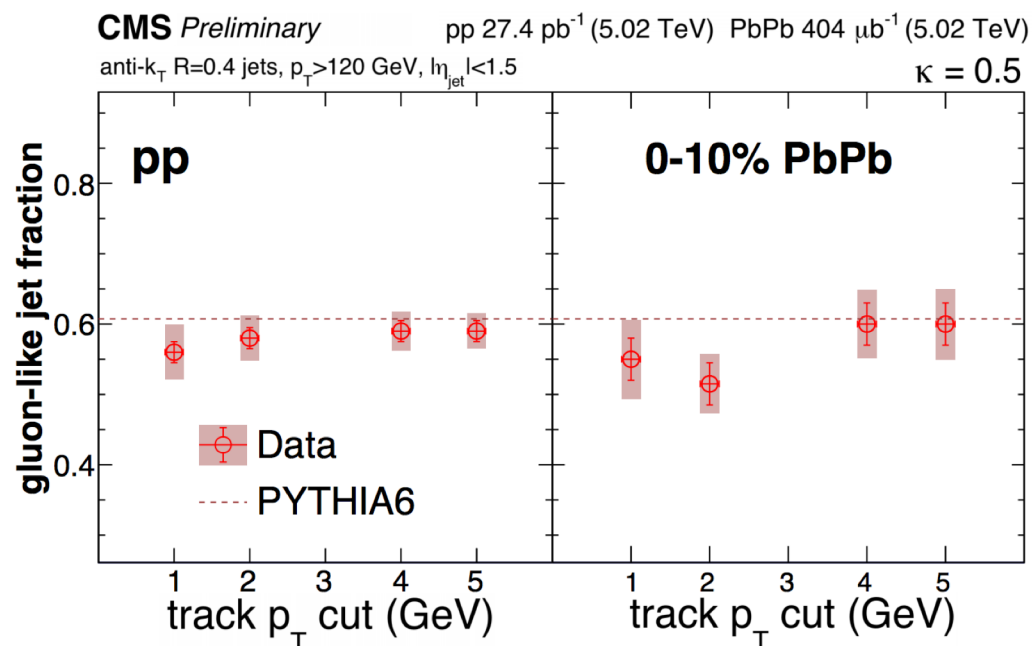
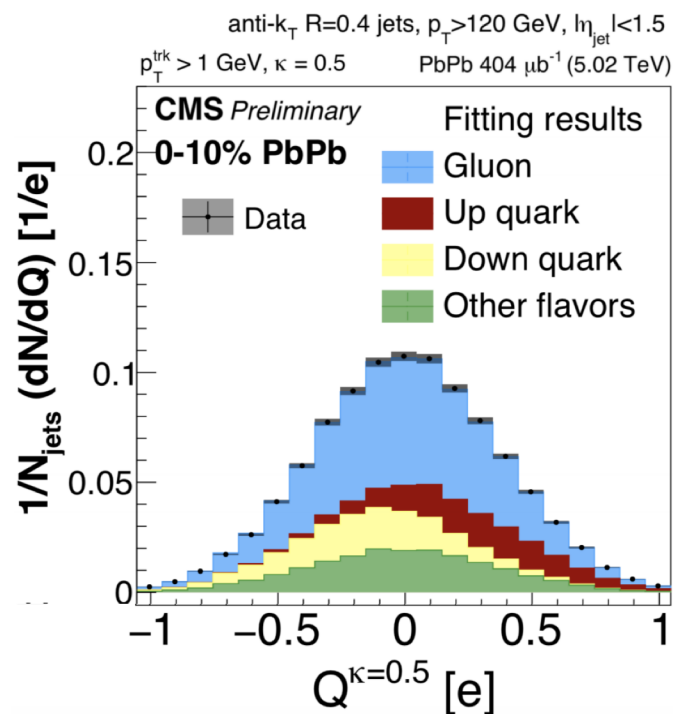
CMS [1312.4198], [1410.2576]

Xiao Wang W 13:35

Quantitatively: difficult because inclusive jets have large quark fraction, and maybe also different quark fraction in A-A and p-p

# Quark- and gluon-dependence of jet quenching

CMS measurement of gluon fraction modification using jet charge found no modification



Hangal (CMS) [2004.14600]

Dhanush Hangal Th 13:10

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Relies on template fitting with (assumed unmodified) PYTHIA jet charge distributions

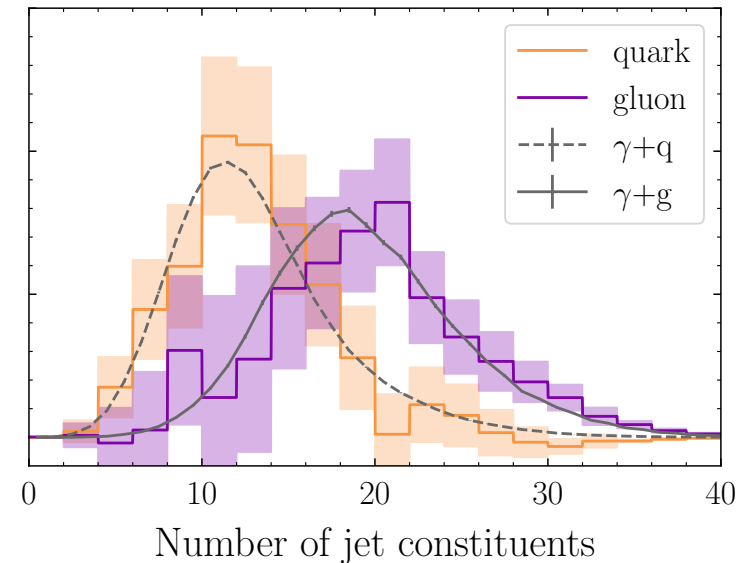
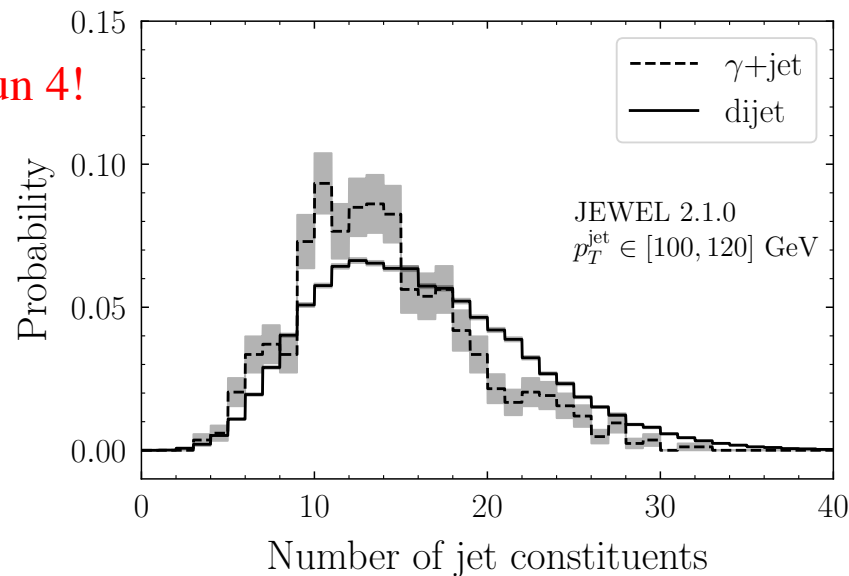
# Going beyond templates

Two samples with different q/g fraction (e.g. dijet,  $\gamma$ +jet) can be used to extract q/g fractions and separate q/g distributions from data, without templates

Done in p-p: Metodiev, Thaler [1802.00008]  
Komiske, Metodiev, Thaler [1809.01140]

A-A

$\gamma$ +jet statistics  
available in Run 4!



Brewer, Thaler, Turner; *in preparation*

Possibility for data-driven measurement of quark and gluon  
jet modification and fraction modification

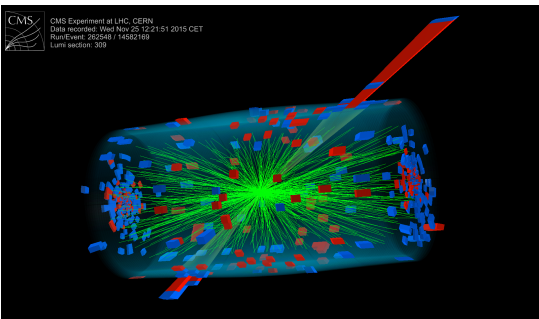


Inclusive samples have a lot of jets that lost little energy



Jet modification observables must be interpreted with care

- Models can help!



Toward interpreting data without models

- Enhancing sensitivity to more modified jets
- Separating modification of quark and gluon jets

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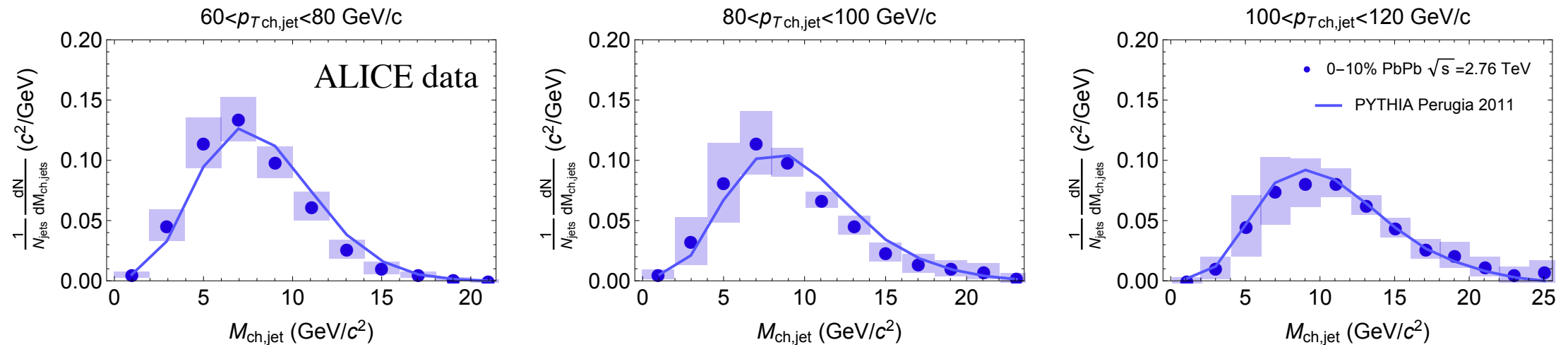
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# Backup



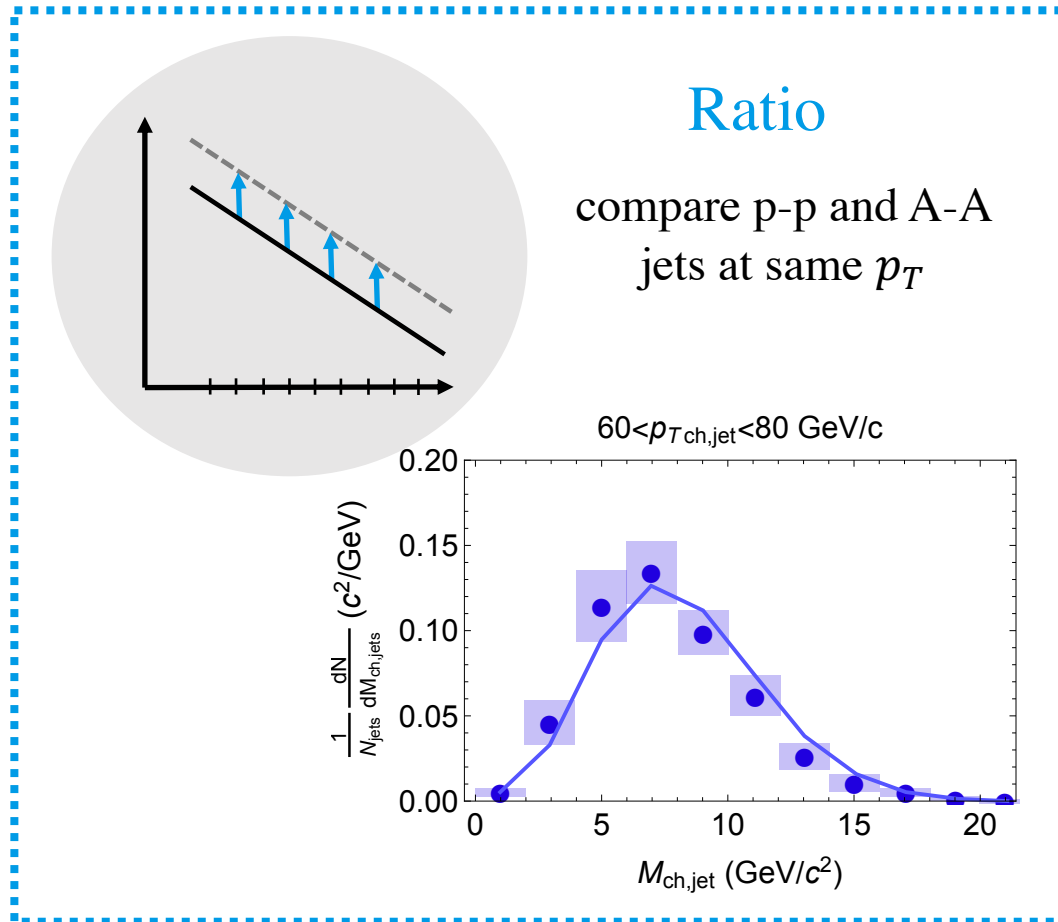
# Distribution (un)modification does not imply jet (un)modification!

Apparent lack of modification of charged jet mass compared to PYTHIA expectation

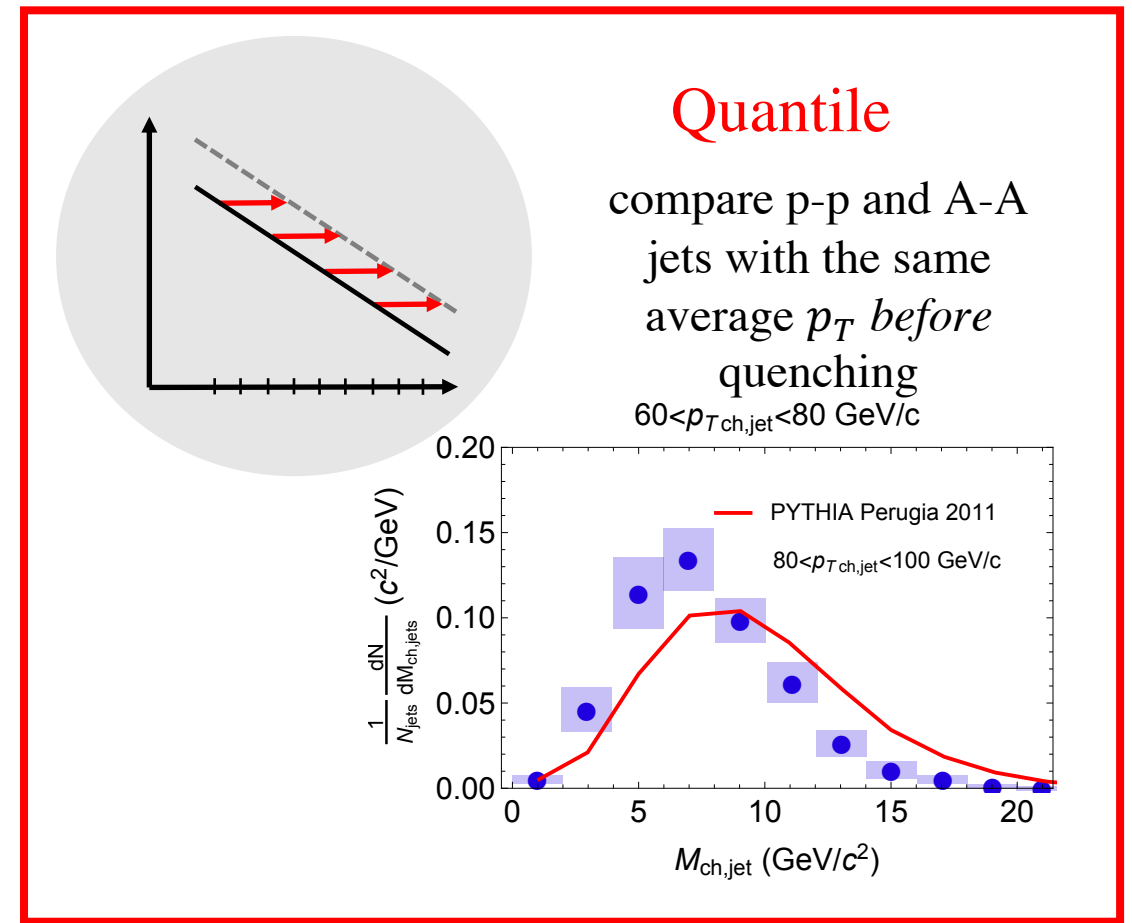
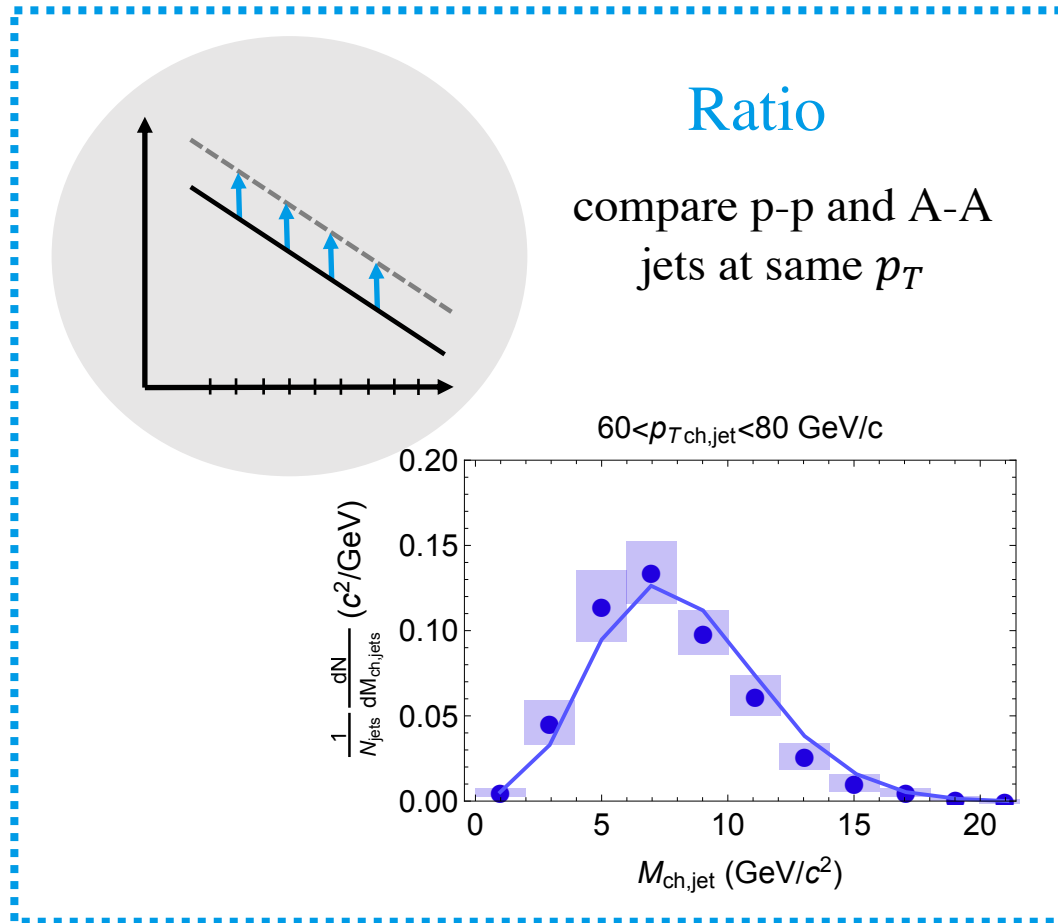


ALICE [1702.00804]  
(figure modified)

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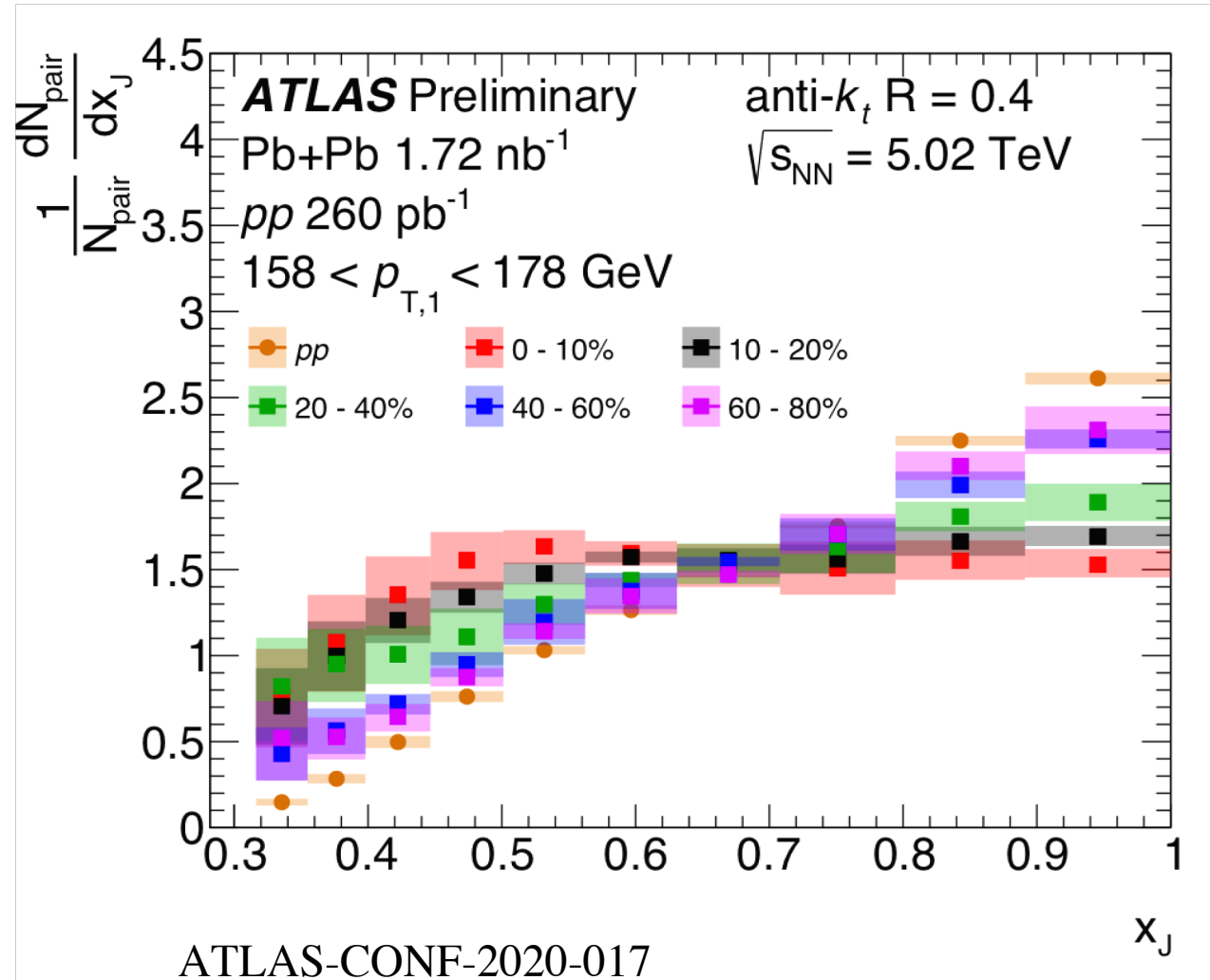


# Comparing jets horizontally corrects for biases due to average energy loss



Quantile procedure gives rigorous definition for what  $p_T$  ranges to compare between p-p and A-A

# Going forward: centrality dependence of dijet asymmetry

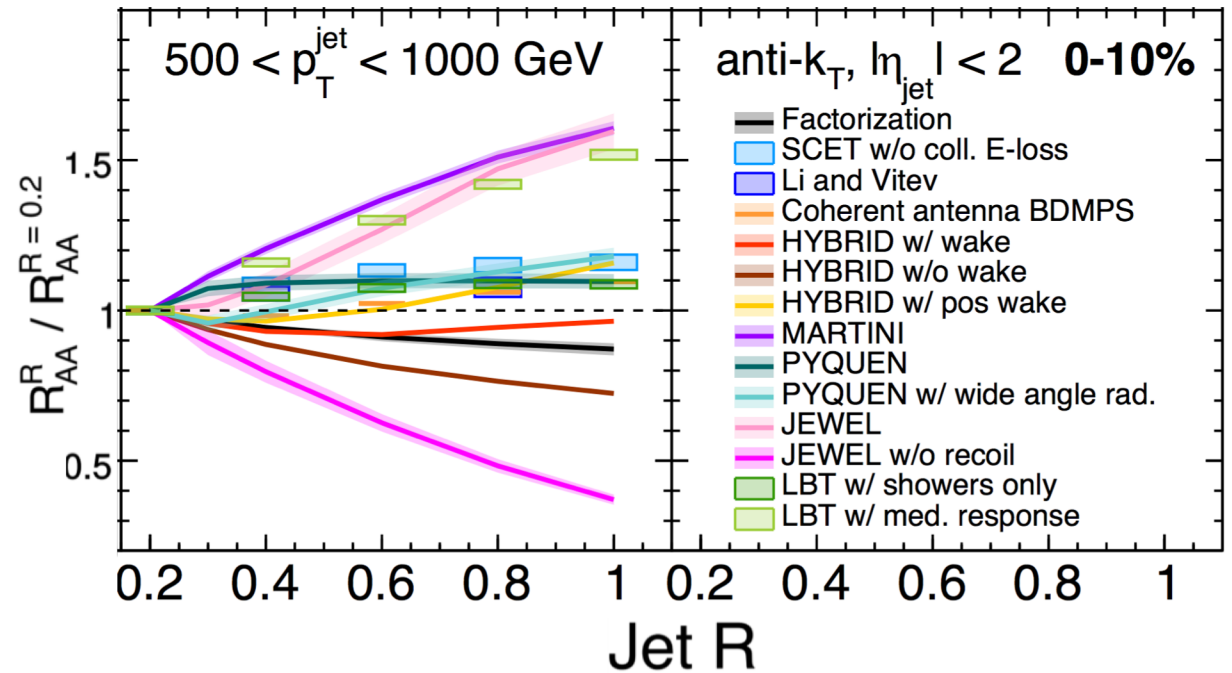
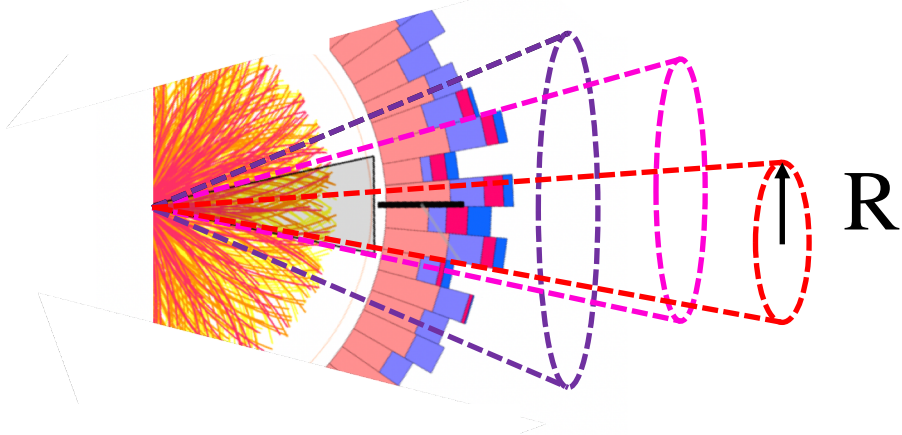


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# Using models to propose more sensitive measurements

## Jet cone size dependence of energy loss

Energy loss = transport  
of energy out of jet cone



Taylor (CMS) QM '19

When is all energy recovered?

Sensitive to inclusion of medium response in many models

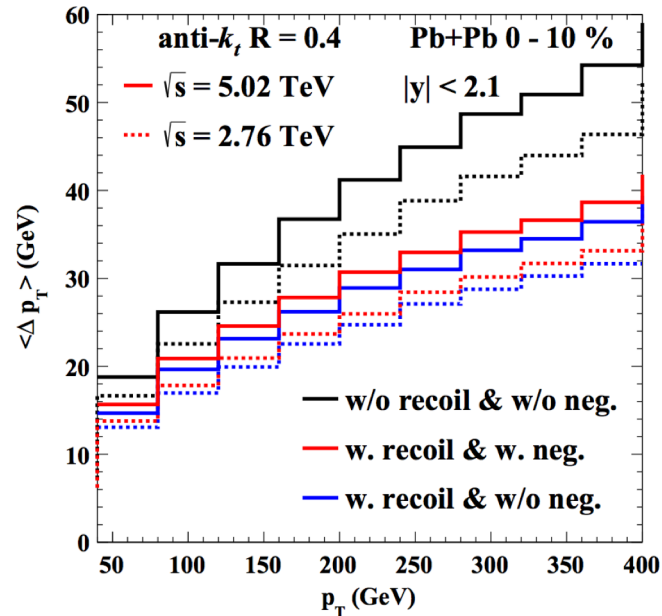
Going forward: want to discriminate between the different physics of medium response

# $R_{AA}$ is very sensitive to vacuum spectra

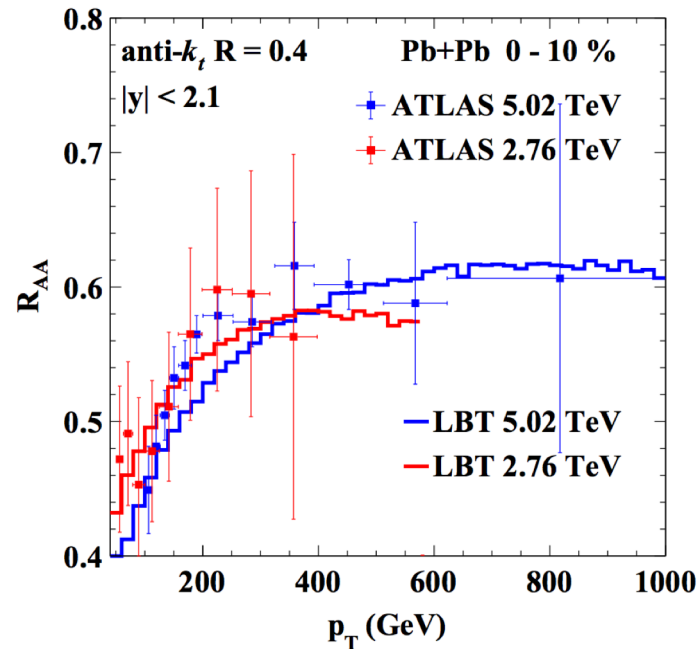
Ex: temperature-dependence of jet quenching between 2.76 and 5.02 TeV

LBT

Measured by ATLAS [1805.05635]



Increased energy loss at all  $p_T$



Depending on  $p_T$ ,  $R_{AA}$  increases or decreases due to spectra

He, Cao, Chen, Luo, Pang, Wang [1809.02525]

Much more dramatic difference in spectra between RHIC and LHC!

$Q_{AA}$  crucial for quantitative comparisons