

Experimental results of jet physics in heavy-ion collisions



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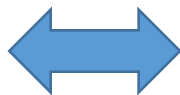
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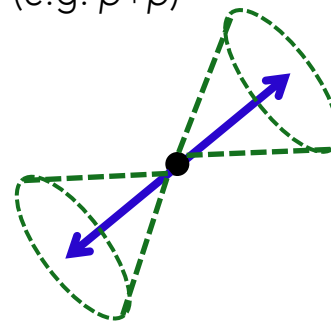
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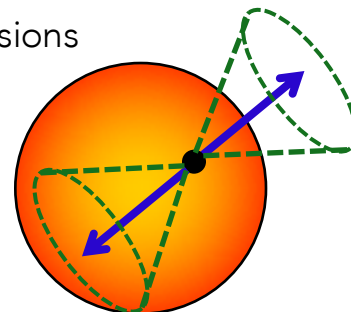
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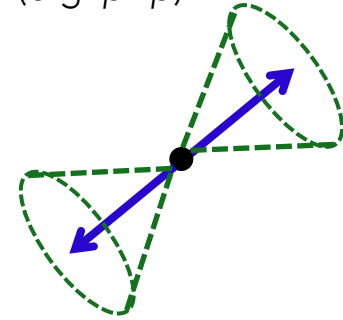


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➤ Jets in vacuum

- Hard-scattered parton fragments into final state particles → Algorithmic recombination into a **Jet**
- Jets in vacuum are well understood in pQCD framework

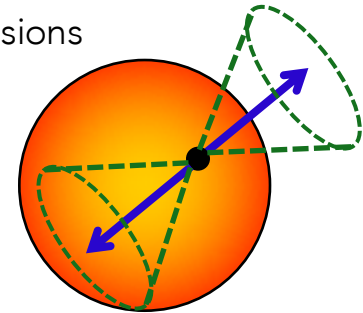
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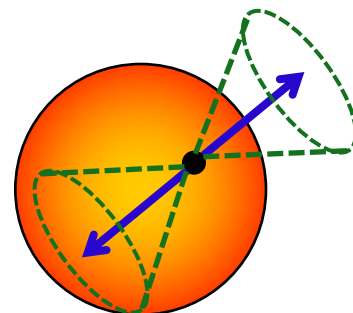
- Hard-scattered partons are produced at the very early stages of collisions → Interact with QGP as they traverse it
- Any modifications to jet observables are due to the interaction with the QCD medium → **Jet quenching**

In A+A collisions



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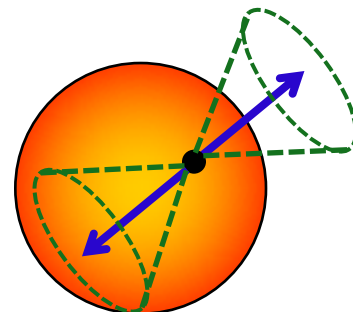


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- Each jet observable is connected to one or multiple questions
 - We can probe different aspects of jet quenching
- We measure the same physics in multiple ways – **Consistency**



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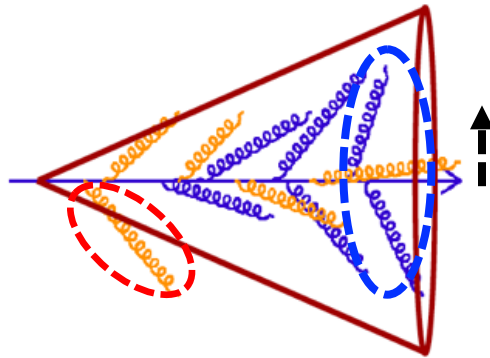
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What have we found so far?



- Jet energy loss
- Jet substructure modification
- Jet deflection

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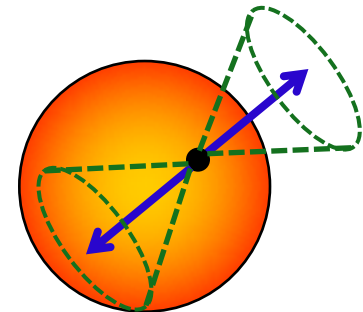
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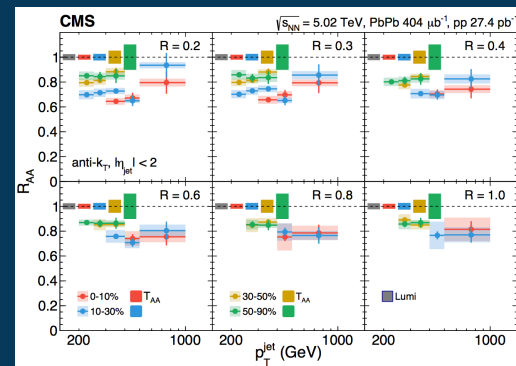
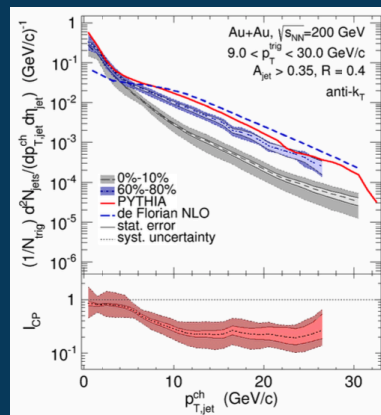
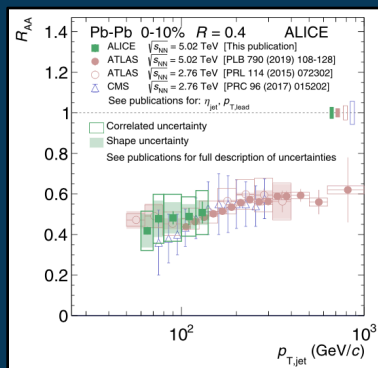
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Jet spectra

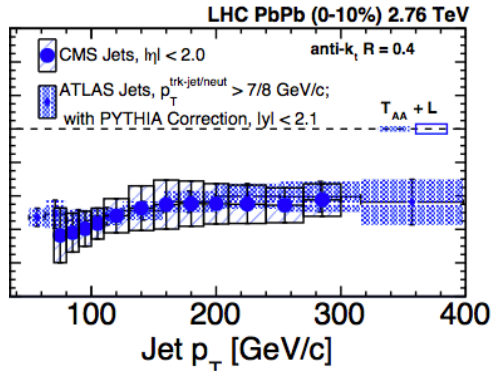


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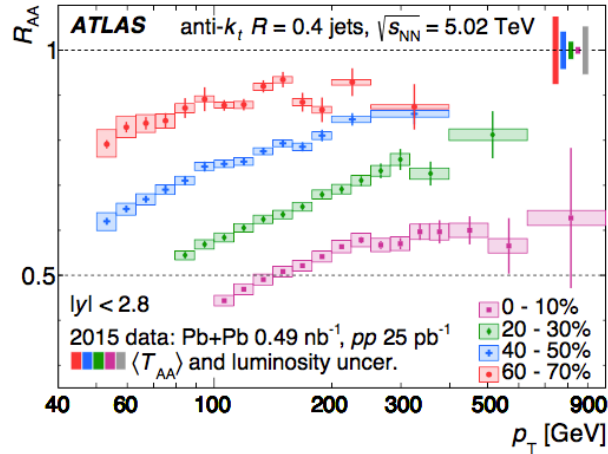
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→ Basic measurements of jet yield suppression

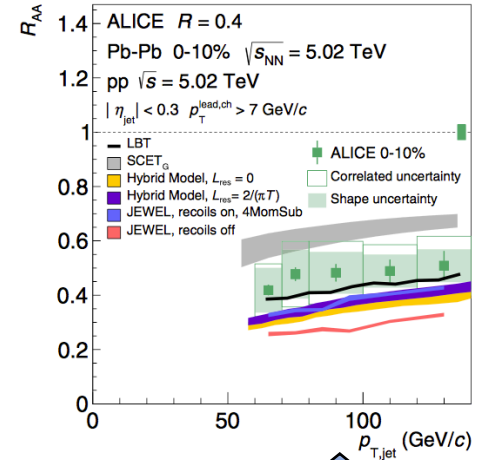
CMS, 2.76 TeV, PRC 96 (2017) 015202



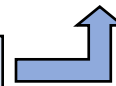
ATLAS, 5.02 TeV, PLB 790 (2019) 108-128



ALICE, 5.02 TeV, PRC 101 (2020) 034911



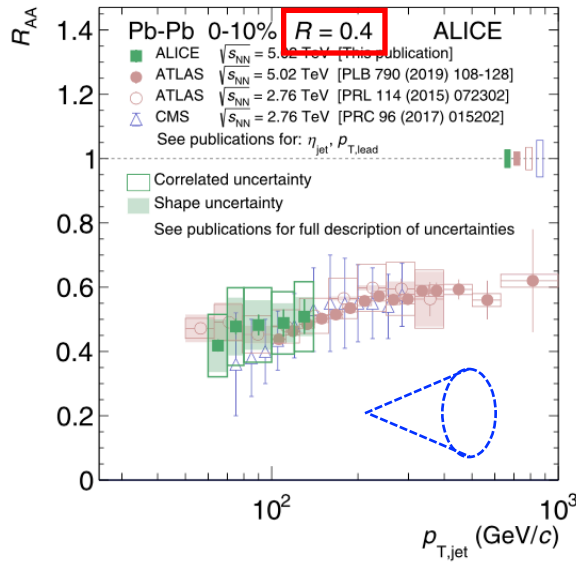
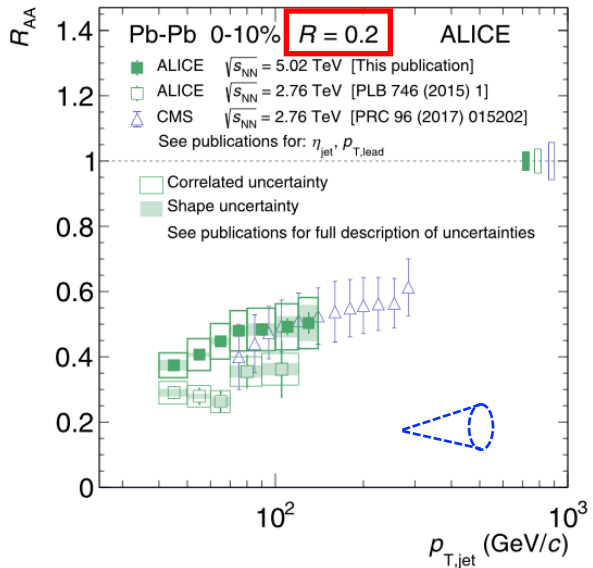
- Most models reasonably describe data – more differential measurements needed



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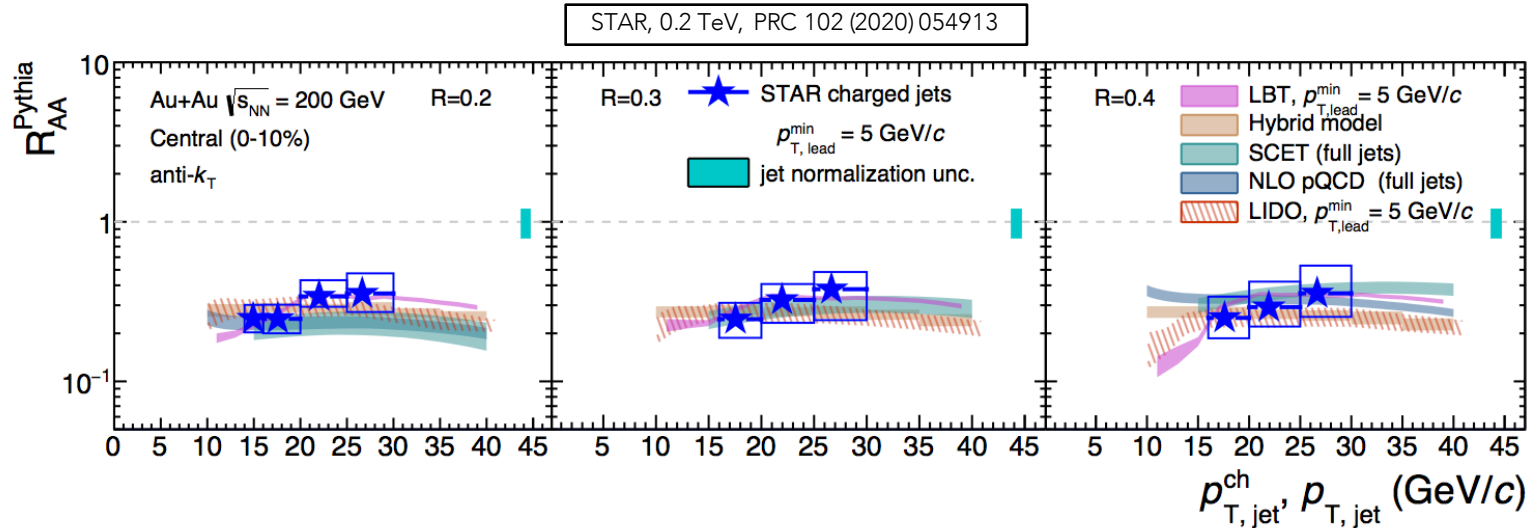
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- No clear R dependence or collision energy dependence at the LHC at standard R
- Consistent R_{AA} values from different collaborations (Different η_{jet} systematics)
- What about at RHIC energies?

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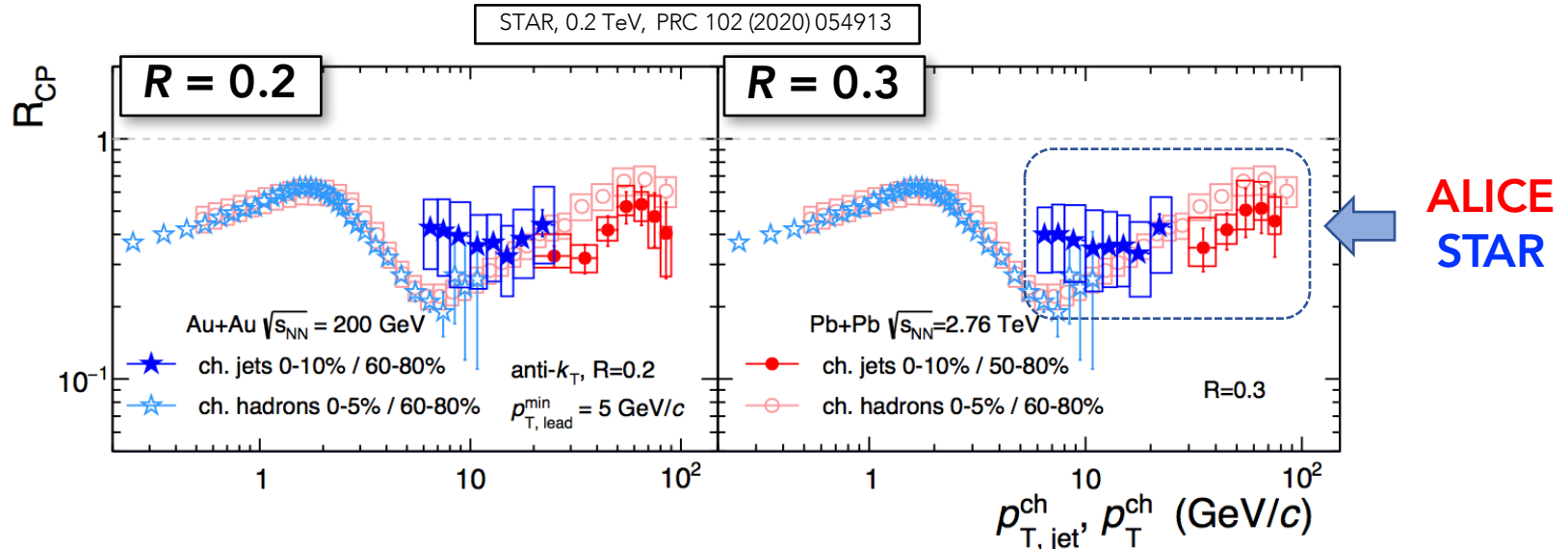
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- Inclusive charged-particle jet spectra at 200 GeV Au+Au collisions with respect to PYTHIA

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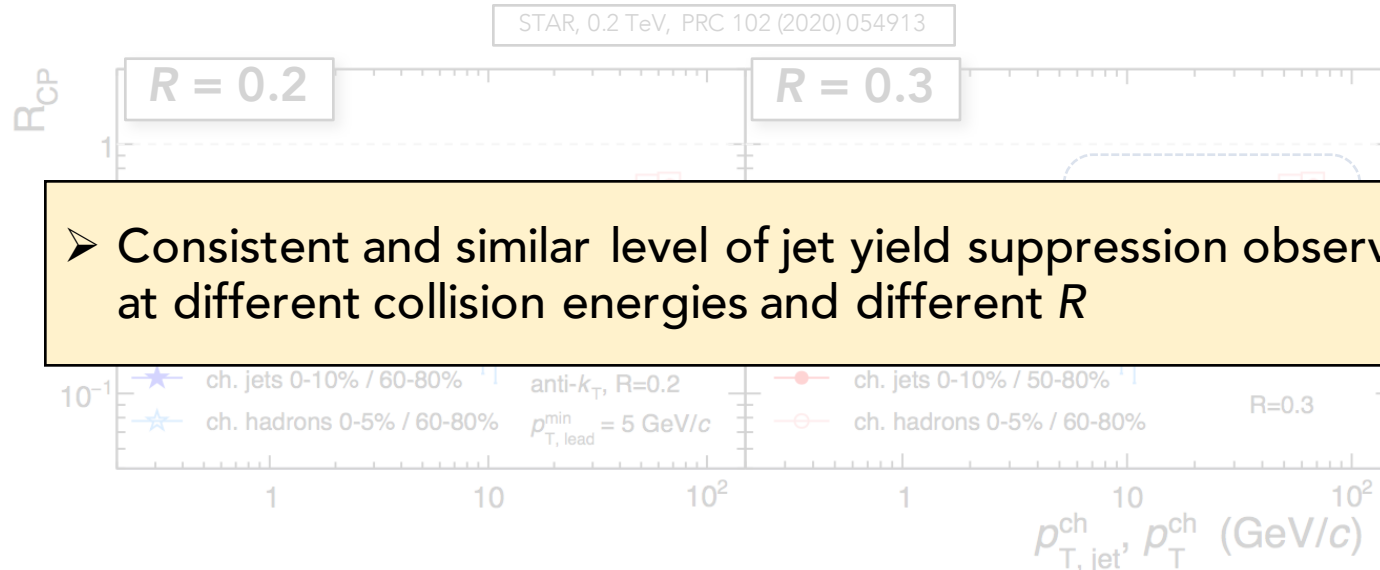
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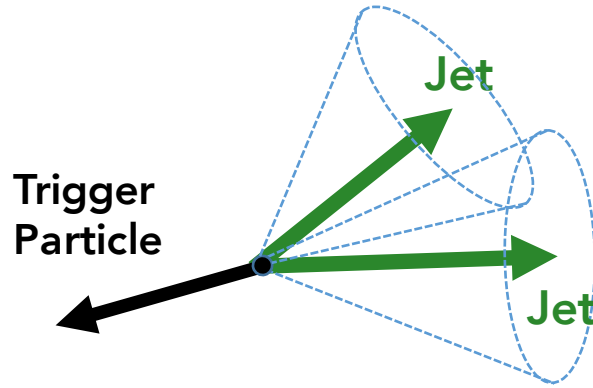


- Consistent and similar level of jet yield suppression observed at different collision energies and different R

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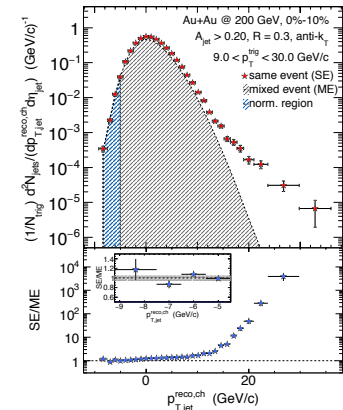
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➤ Semi-inclusive jet measurements

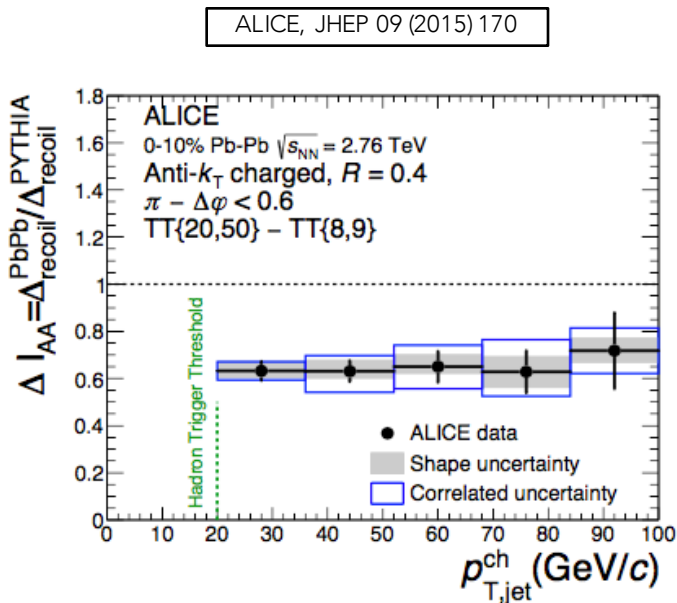
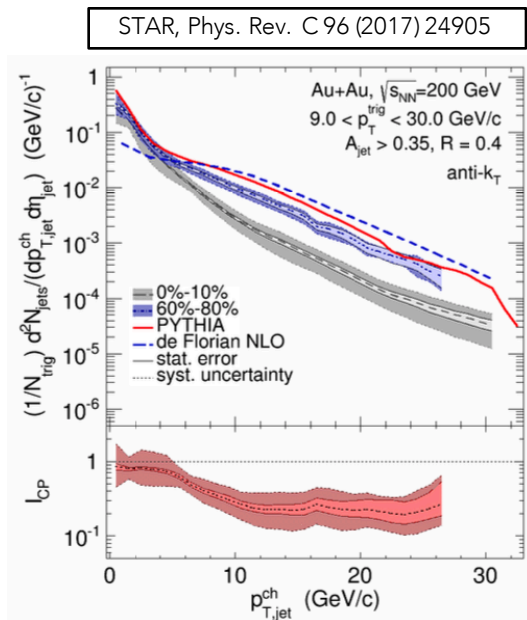
- Jets in the recoil region of high- p_T trigger particles
- Correlated vs. uncorrelated contributions with respect to the trigger particle → Effective removal of the latter
- Capability to access lower $p_{T,jet}$

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Removal of uncorrelated contributions with a Mixed-event technique

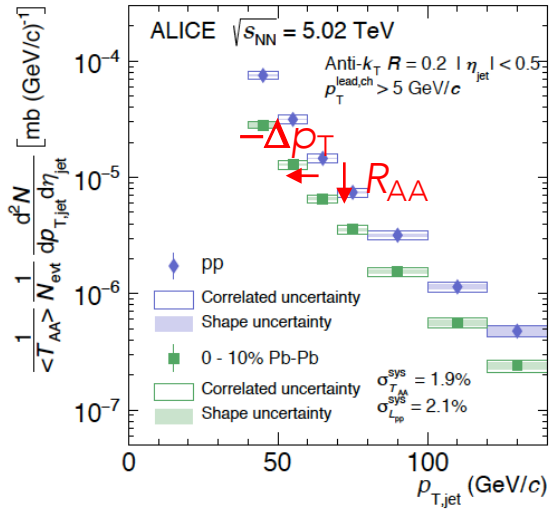
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- I_{CP}, I_{AA} = The ratio of recoil jet yields in central to peripheral or pp distributions

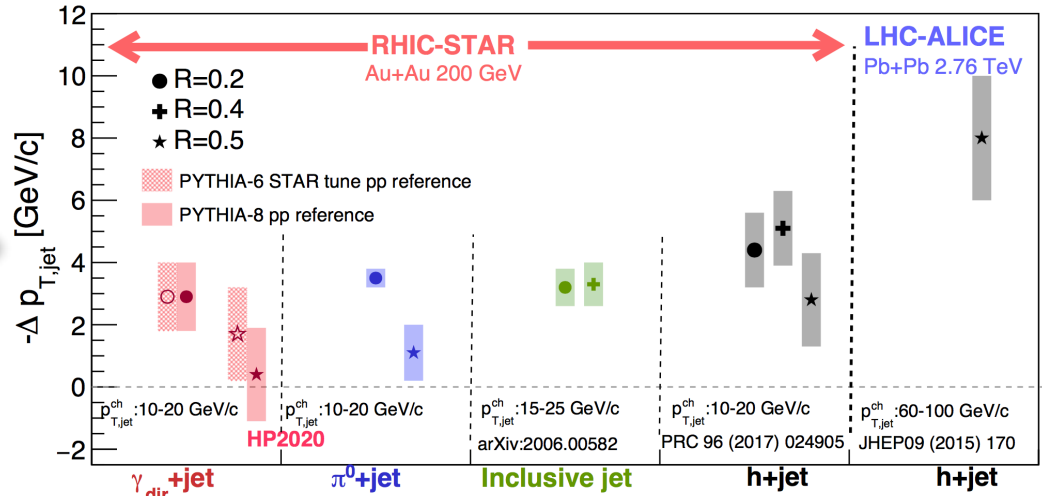
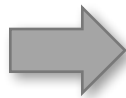
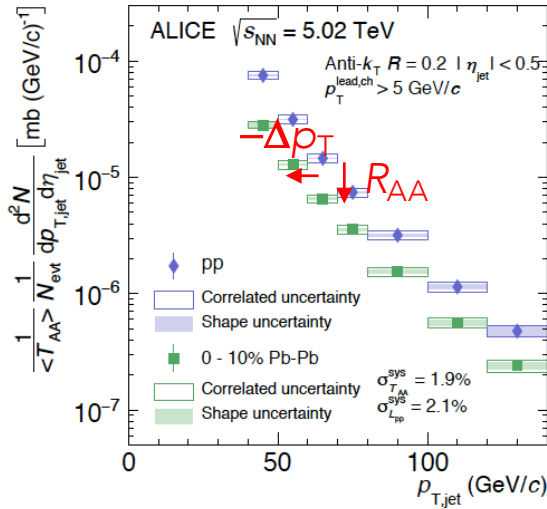
- Similar level of suppression via I_{CP} to charged-particle jet R_{CP} at 200 GeV

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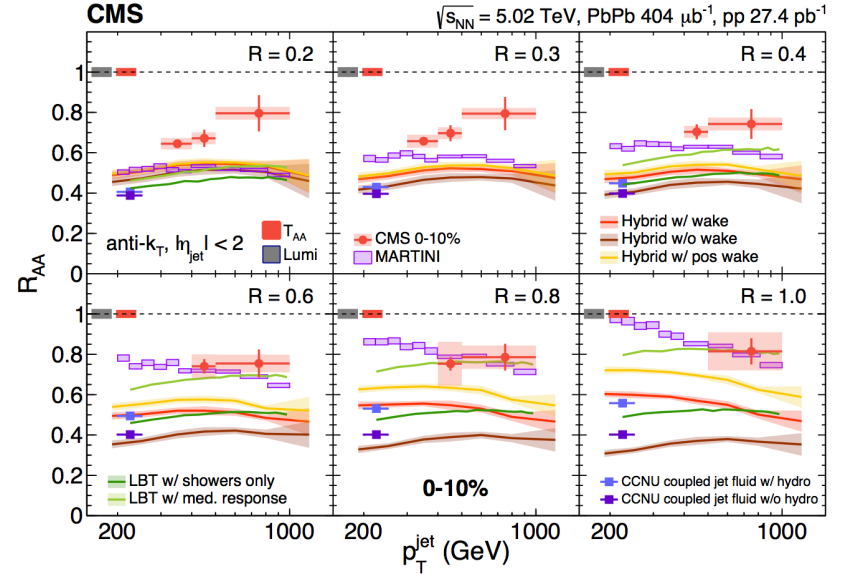
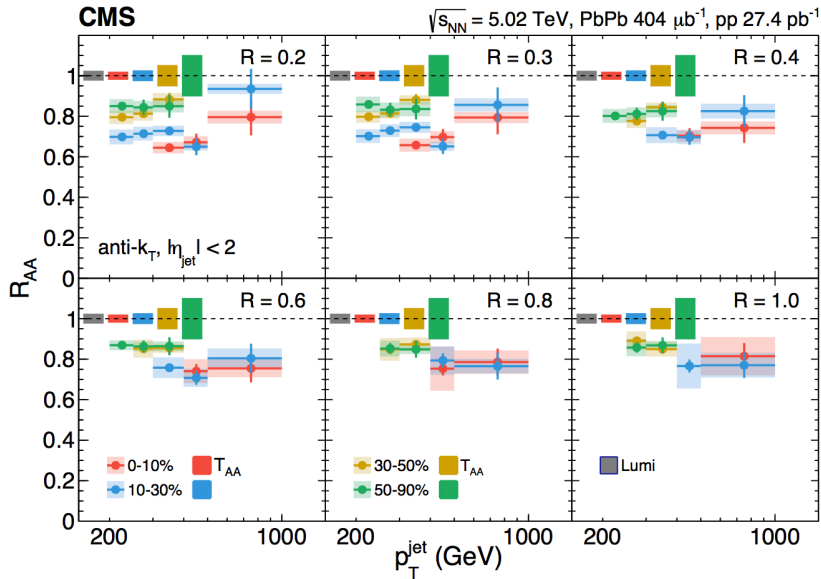
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- At RHIC, similar energy loss for different channels of measurements
- **At the LHC with higher $p_{T,jet}$, indication of larger energy loss than RHIC for h+jet measurements**
- Further $-\Delta p_T$ quantification for other spectrum measurements is needed

Inclusive jet spectra at larger jet R

➤ Jet R_{AA} at higher jet R – Wider jets more suppressed? Quenched energy toward larger R ?

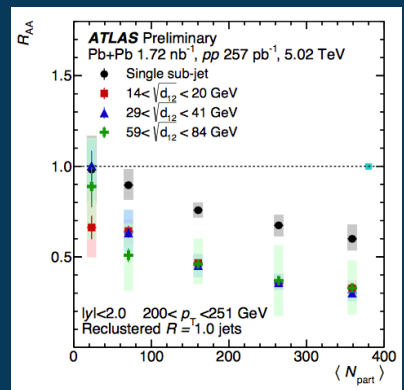
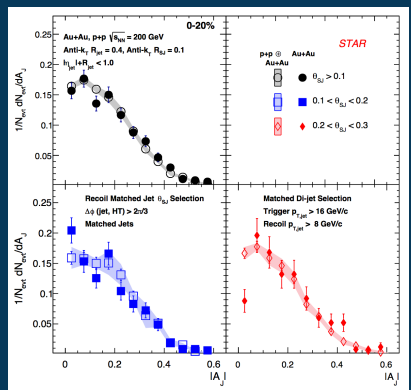
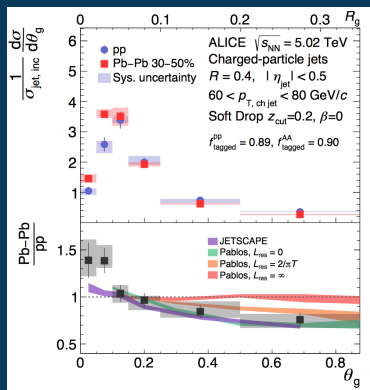
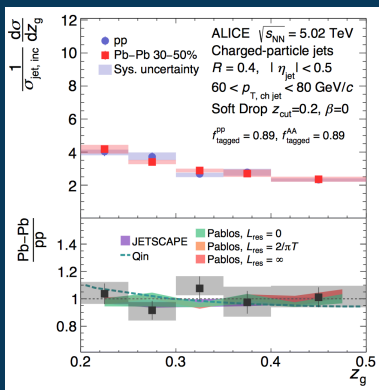
CMS – 5.02 TeV, JHEP 05 (2021) 284



- No strong dependence on jet radius persists at large R ($=1.0$) and high $p_{T,\text{jet}}$ (1 TeV/c)

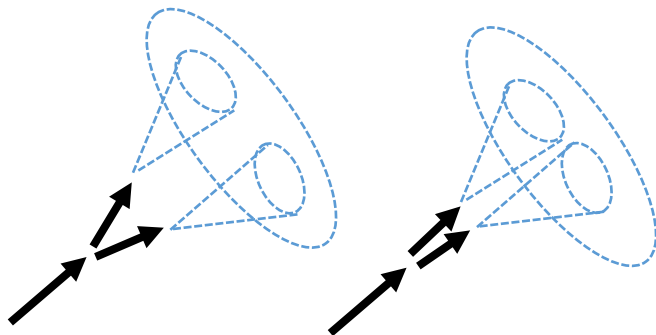
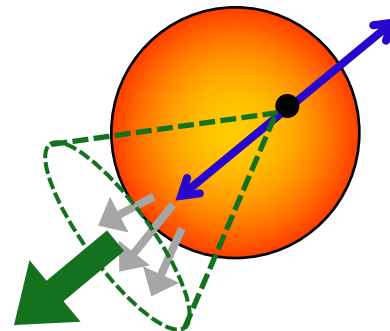
- Significant tension between models – Further constraints on the underlying jet quenching mechanisms

Jet substructure observables



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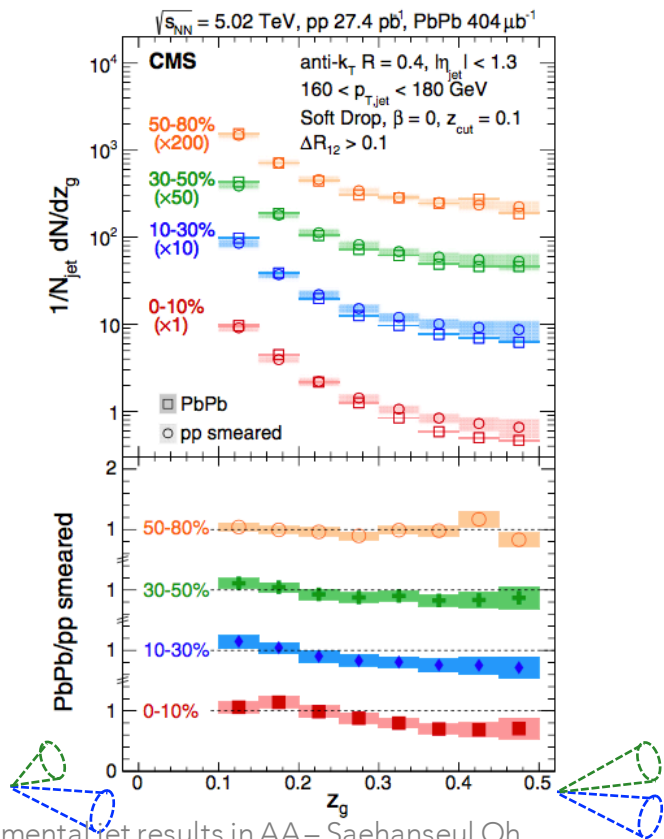
- Given the jet energy loss in the medium, how is the shower modified when a jet traverses the medium?



- Do these jets quench differently in QCD medium? What is the resolution scale of the medium?

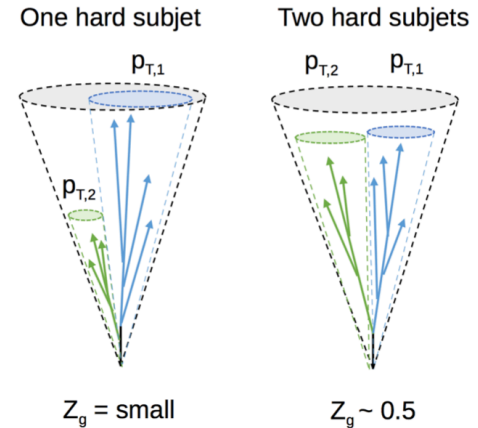
Groomed jet substructure

CMS, PRL 120 (2018) 142302



- Jet grooming via SoftDrop : $\frac{\min(p_{T,1}, p_{T,2})}{p_{T,1} + p_{T,2}} > z_{cut} \left(\frac{\Delta R}{R}\right)^\beta$

$$z_g = \frac{p_{T,2}}{p_{T,1} + p_{T,2}}$$

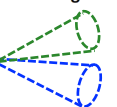
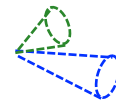
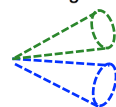
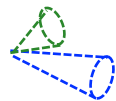
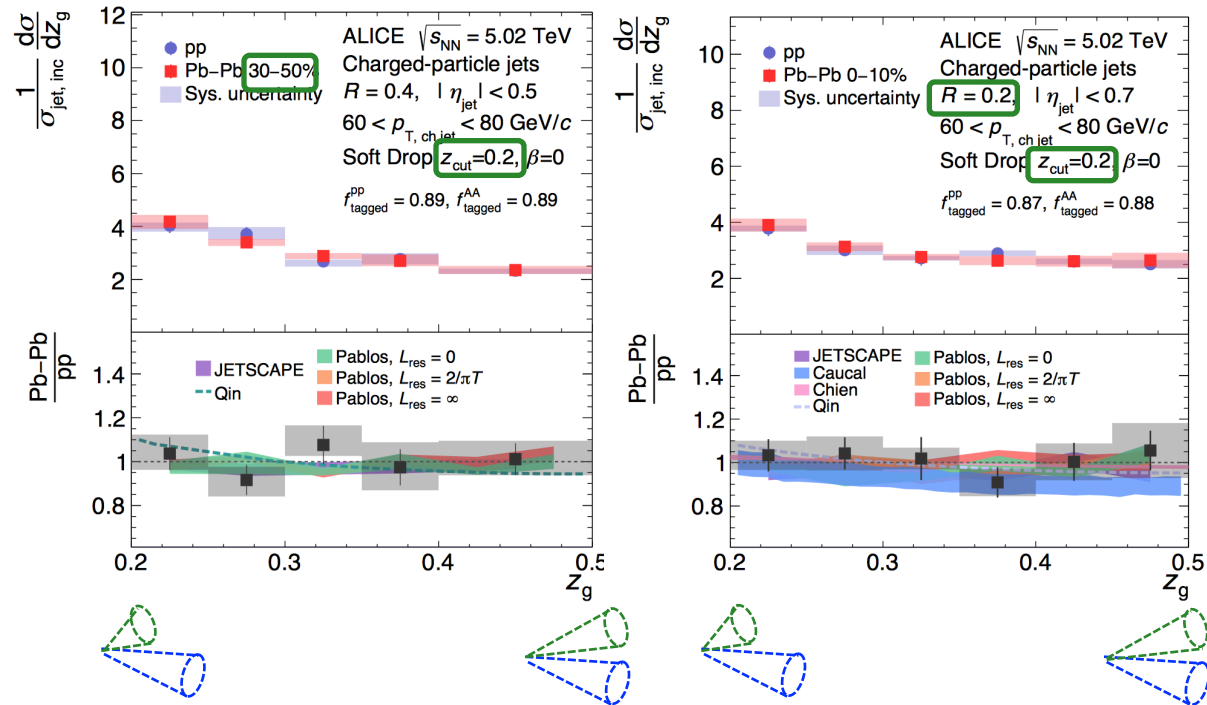


- Comparison between A+A and smeared pp results
- Steeper z_g distributions in central Pb+Pb collisions – **parton splitting process is modified by the medium**

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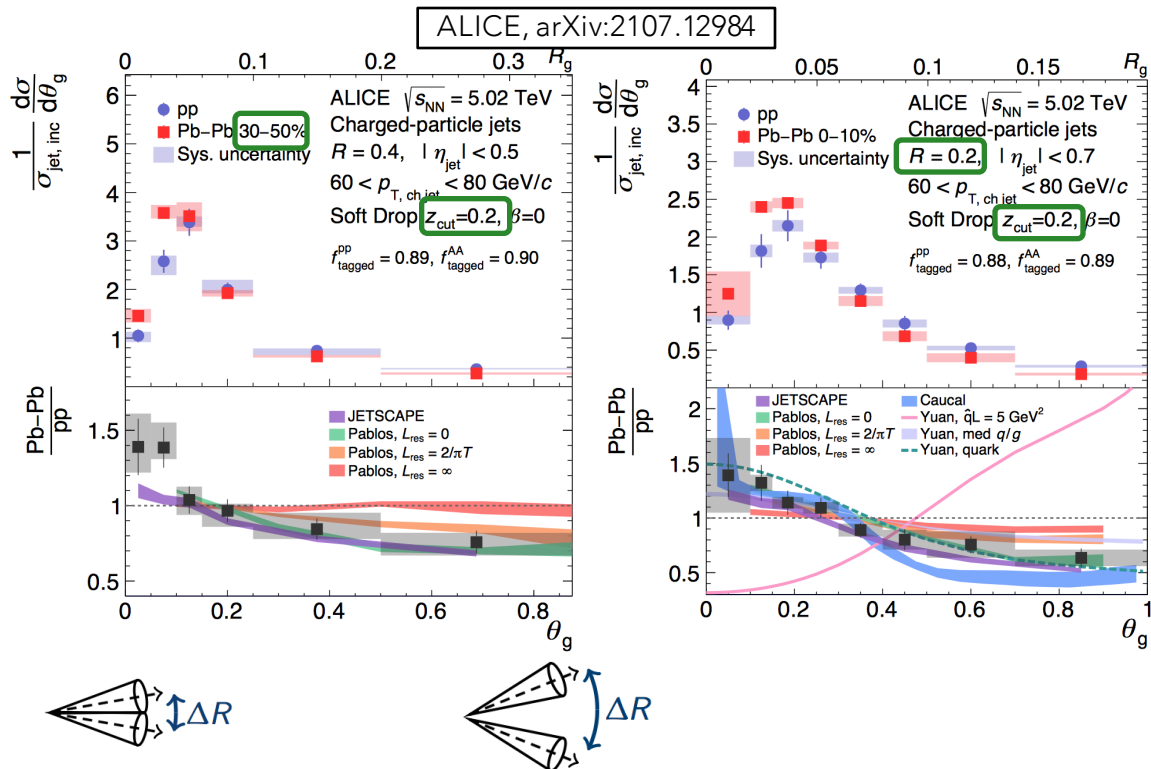
- Background fluctuations in heavy-ion environment result in an incorrect splitting being identified by the grooming algorithm
- Smaller R jets, increased z_{cut} in SD, using semi-central collisions
- z_g distributions in Pb+Pb collisions are consistent with those of pp collisions within experimental uncertainties

ALICE, arXiv:2107.12984

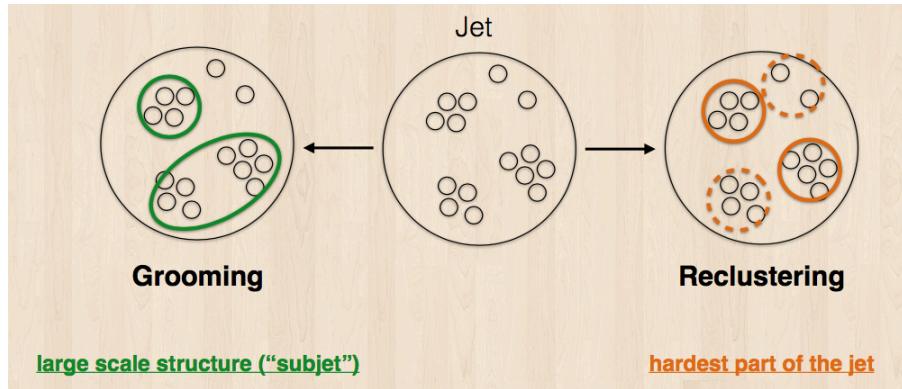


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- Suppression (enhancement) of large (small) angles – Qualitative description by models

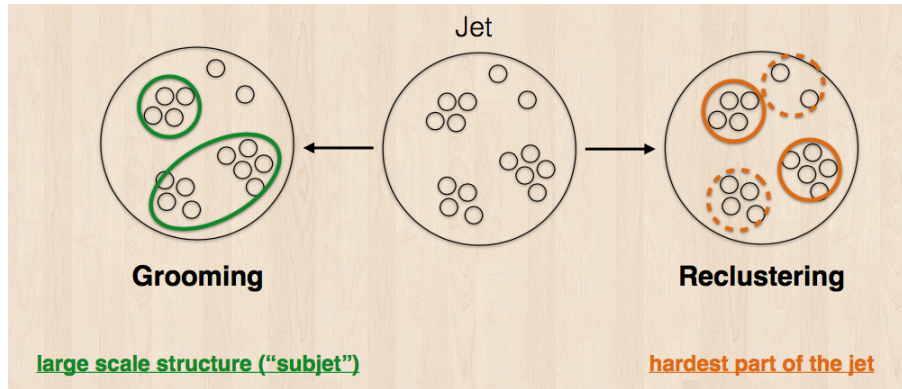


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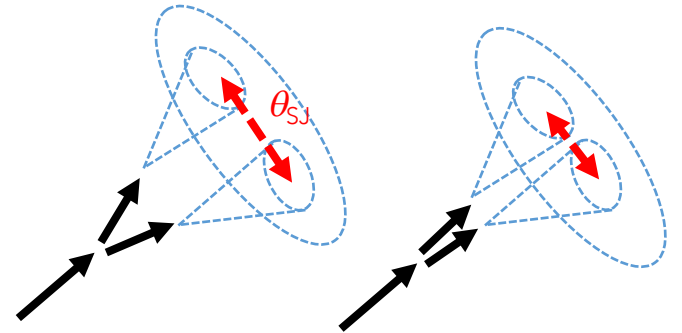
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θ_{SJ} = Distance between two hardest subjects



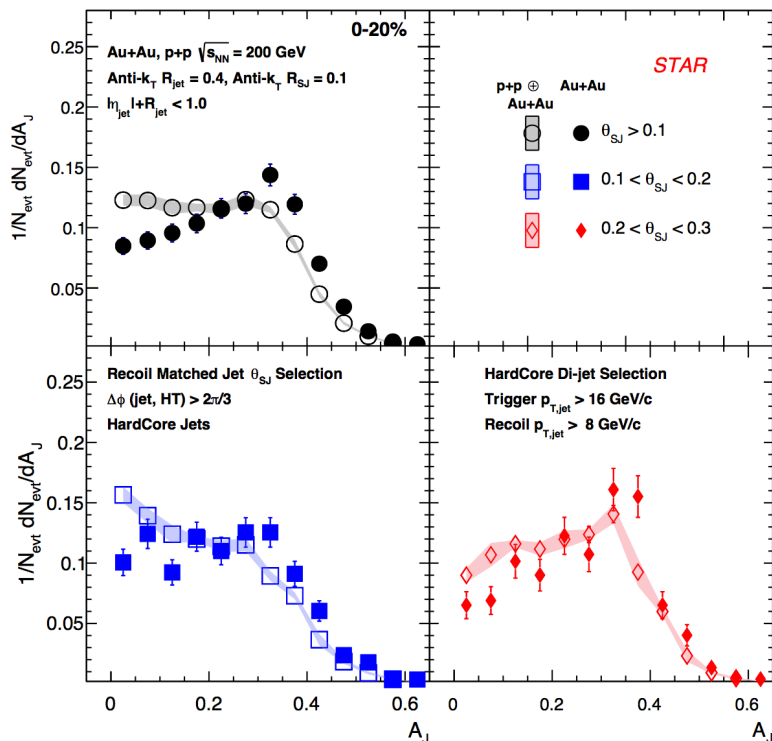
Is jet quenching different for two θ_{SJ} classes?

Jet substructure with subjets

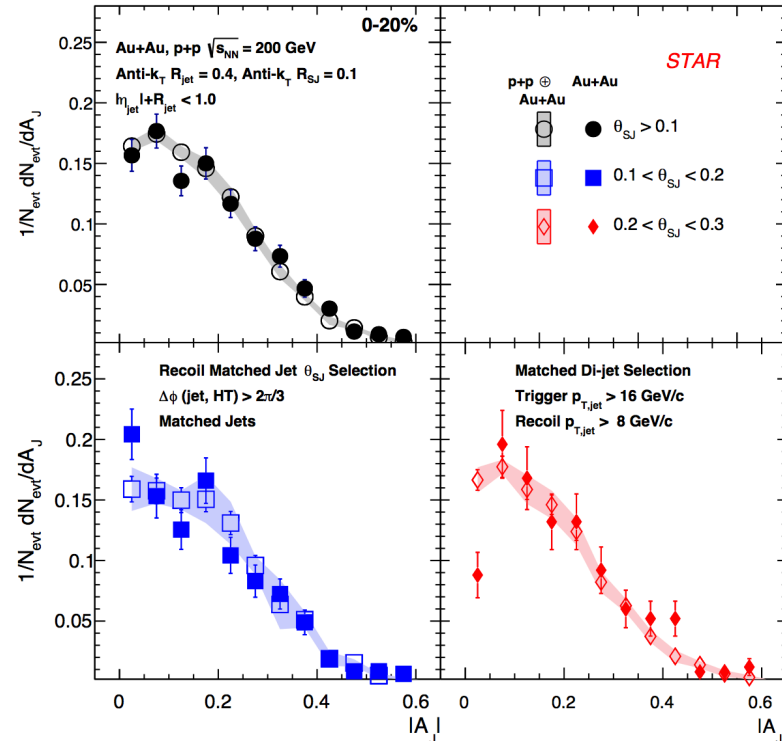
$$A_J = \frac{p_T^{\text{Lead}} - p_T^{\text{SubLead}}}{p_T^{\text{Lead}} + p_T^{\text{SubLead}}}$$

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HardCore jets



Matched jets

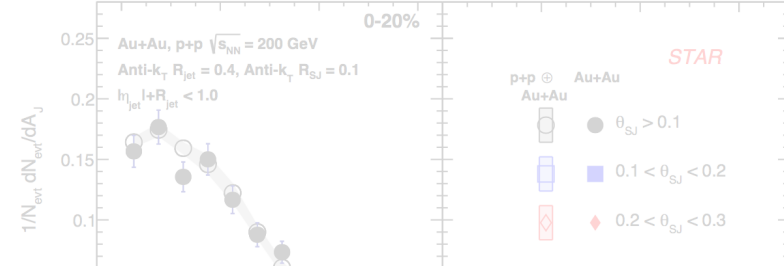
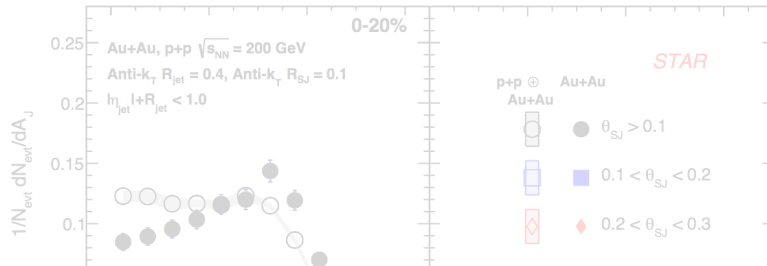


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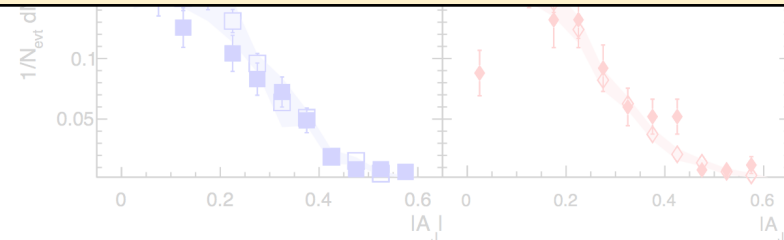
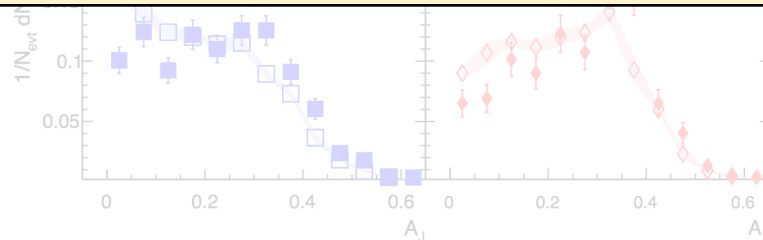
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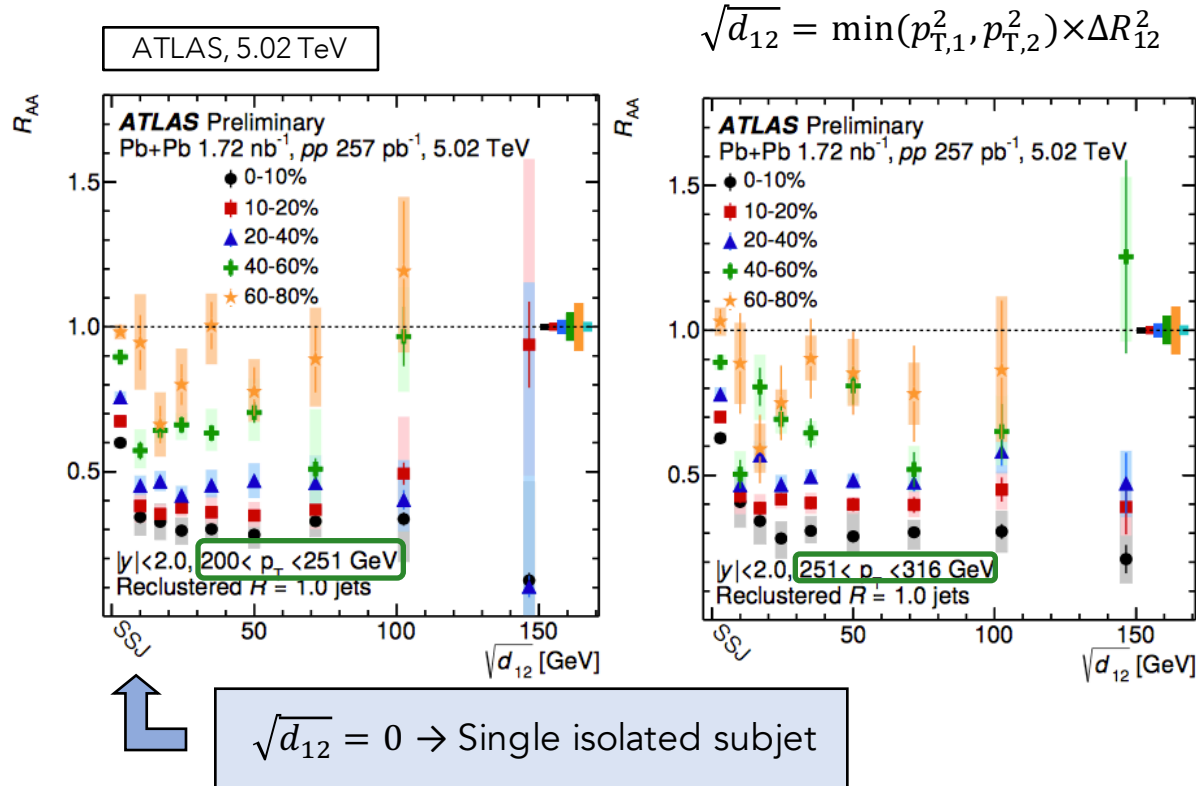
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- No significant difference between θ_{SJ} classes
 - No observational evidence of characteristic signature of coherent or de-coherent energy loss
 - Larger resolution/coherence length of the medium

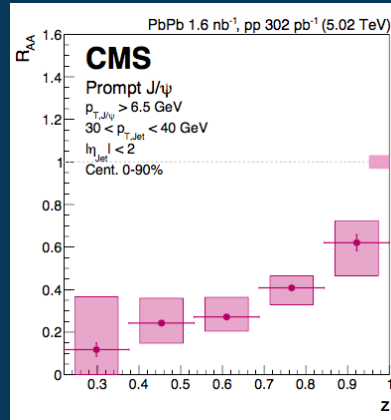
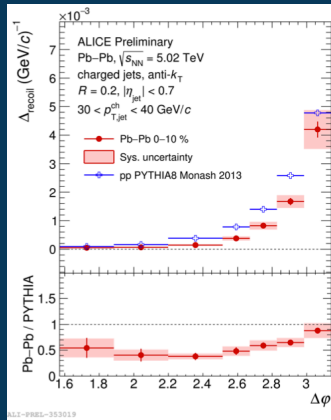


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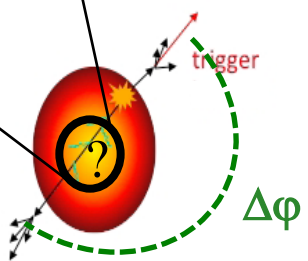
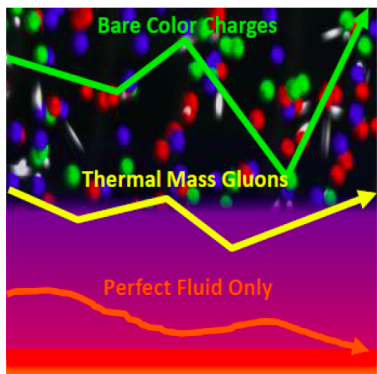
- Small $\sqrt{d_{12}}$ dependence for jets with a complex substructure, i.e. $\sqrt{d_{12}} > 0$ jets
- Significant difference in jet quenching between jets with a single subjet and jets with multi-prong structure

Other jet observables

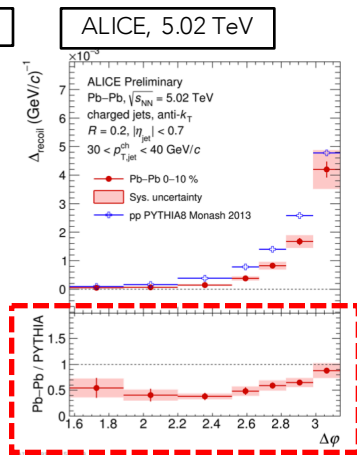
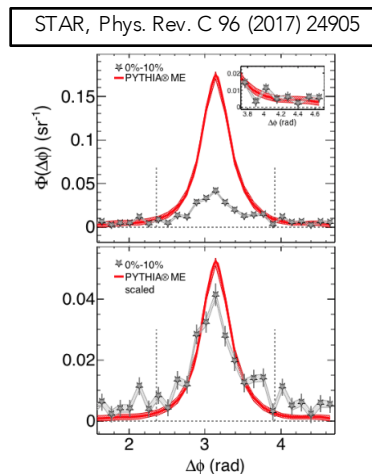
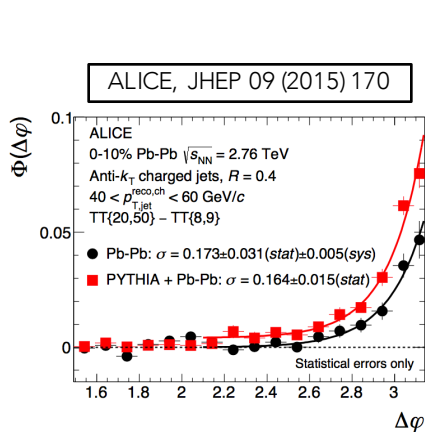


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Jet acoplanarity



- Angular decorrelations between a trigger particle and its recoil jet – Are we seeing discrete scattering centers or effectively continuous medium?

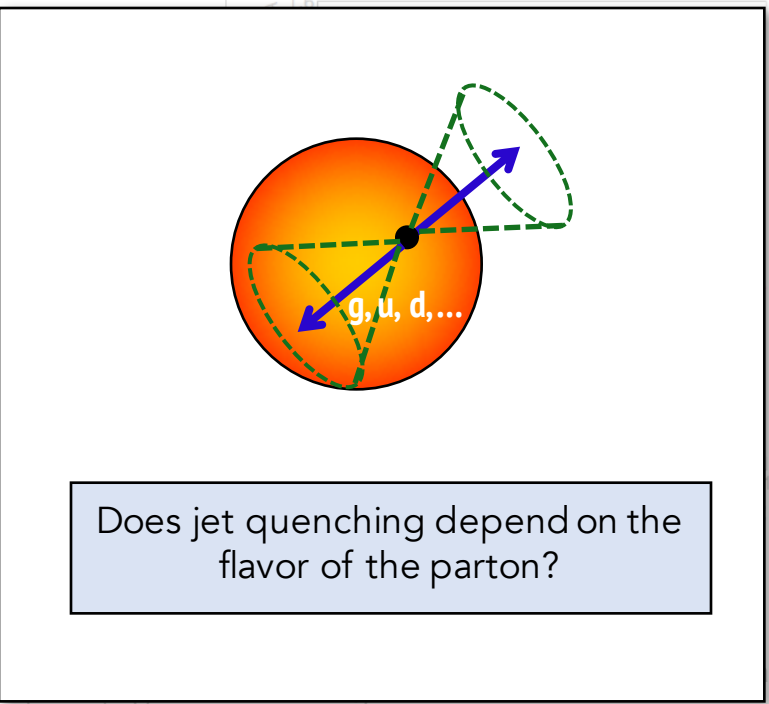
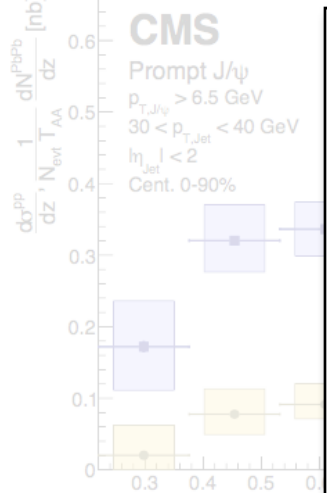


- Narrowing in central Pb+Pb collisions ← due to negative radiative correction to $\langle p_T^2 \rangle$? (Zakharov, EPJC 81 (2021) 57)

J/ψ in jets

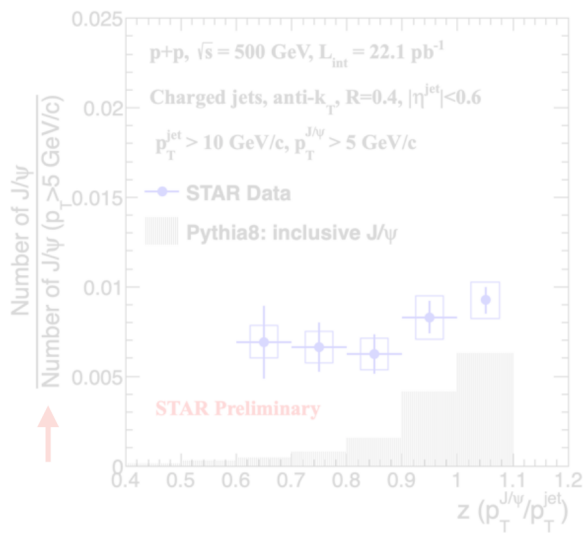
CMS, arXiv:2106.13235

$\times 10^{-3}$ PbPb 1.6 nb⁻¹, pp 302 pb⁻¹ (5.02 TeV) PbPb 1.6 nb⁻¹, pp 302 pb⁻¹ (5.02 TeV)



Does jet quenching depend on the flavor of the parton?

STAR, 0.5 TeV, pp



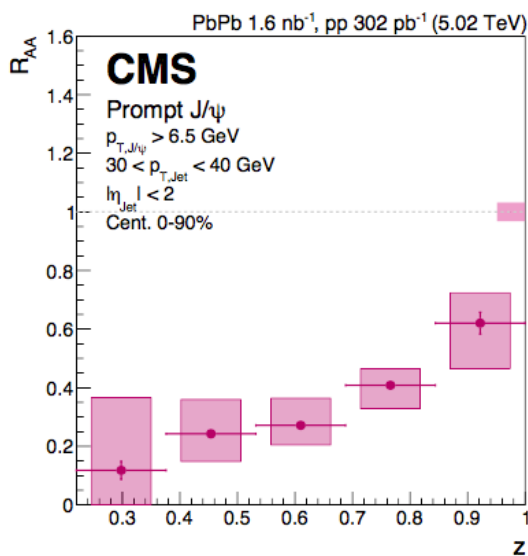
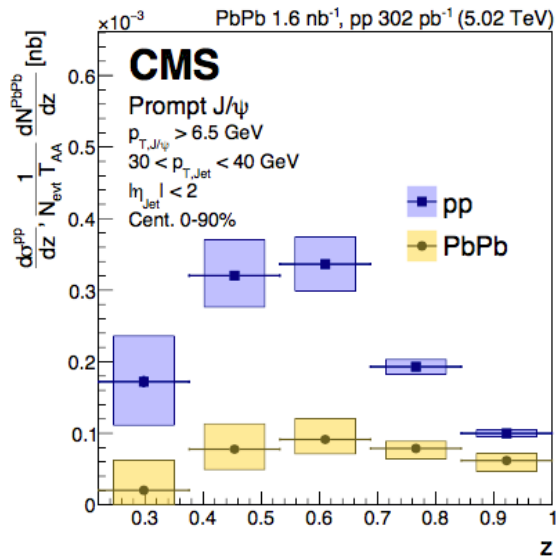
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- J/ψ production
- Jet quenching + J/ψ suppression?
- Further results coming at RHIC energies

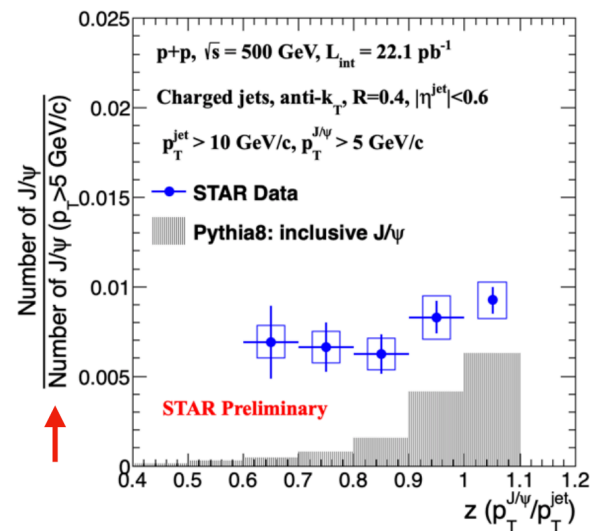
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J/ψ in jets

CMS, arXiv:2106.13235



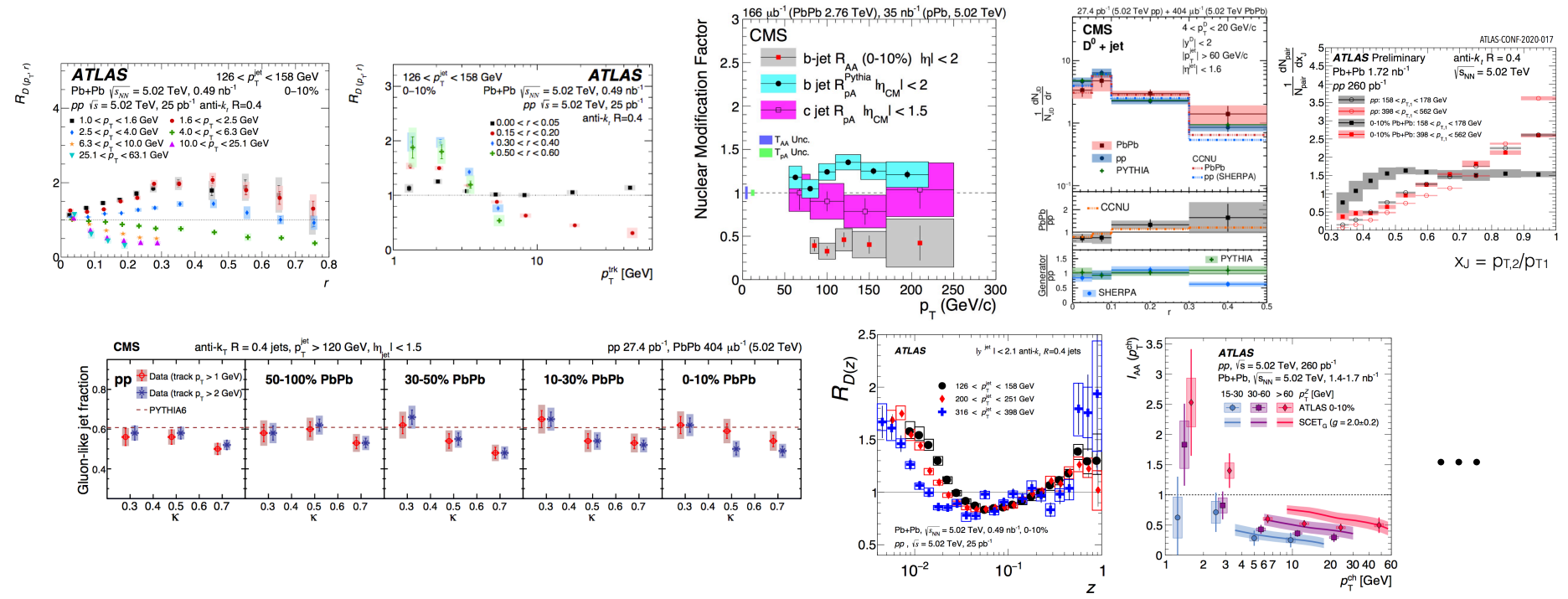
STAR, 0.5 TeV, pp



➤ Jets containing a prompt (or inclusive) J/ψ

- J/ψ produced with a larger degree of surrounding jet activity are more suppressed – Need to incorporate Jet quenching + J/ψ suppression?
- Further results coming at RHIC energies

Other observables



➤ There are more results deserved to be mentioned...

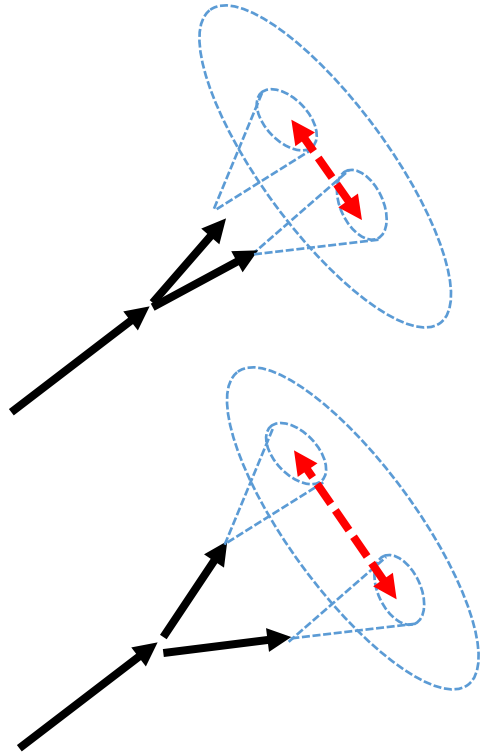
- **Jets provide unique tools to study hot dense QCD medium**
 - Jets in vacuum and in-medium: theoretically well controlled in many aspects (but not all)
 - Broad kinematic reach: probe the medium over a wide range in scale
 - Complex structure: many complementary observables that probe similar physics – require consistent picture

- **Experimental jet results**
 - Jet R_{AA} and I_{AA} show consistent values for different R and collision energy
 - Parton splitting process is modified by the medium
 - Jet classification based on subjet distance can shed light on medium resolution scale
 - Further results expected to be presented at QM 2022, and more data coming with LHC Run 3, and RHIC 2023-2025 run with advanced detectors



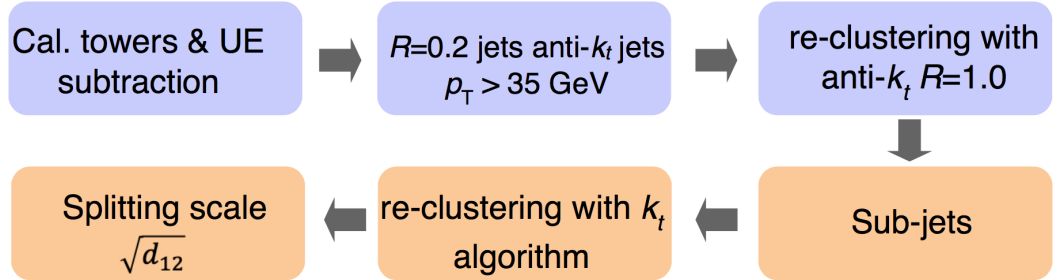
Thank you!

Jet substructure with subjets



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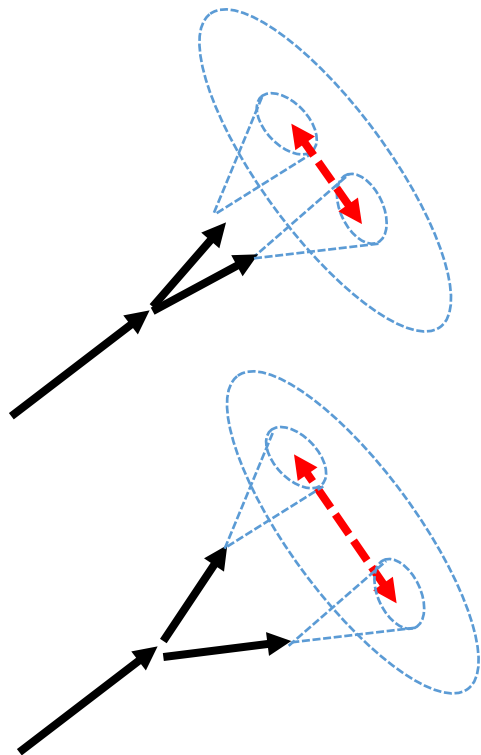
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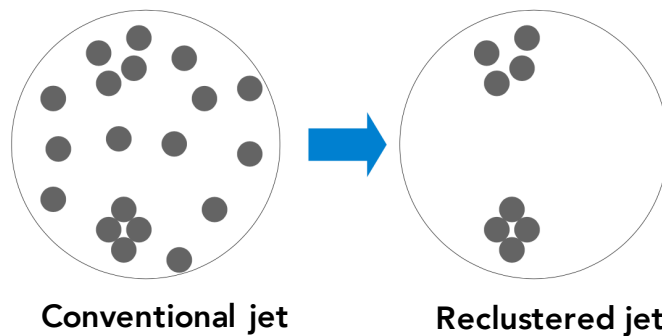
with two jets before the final clustering step

Jet substructure with subjets



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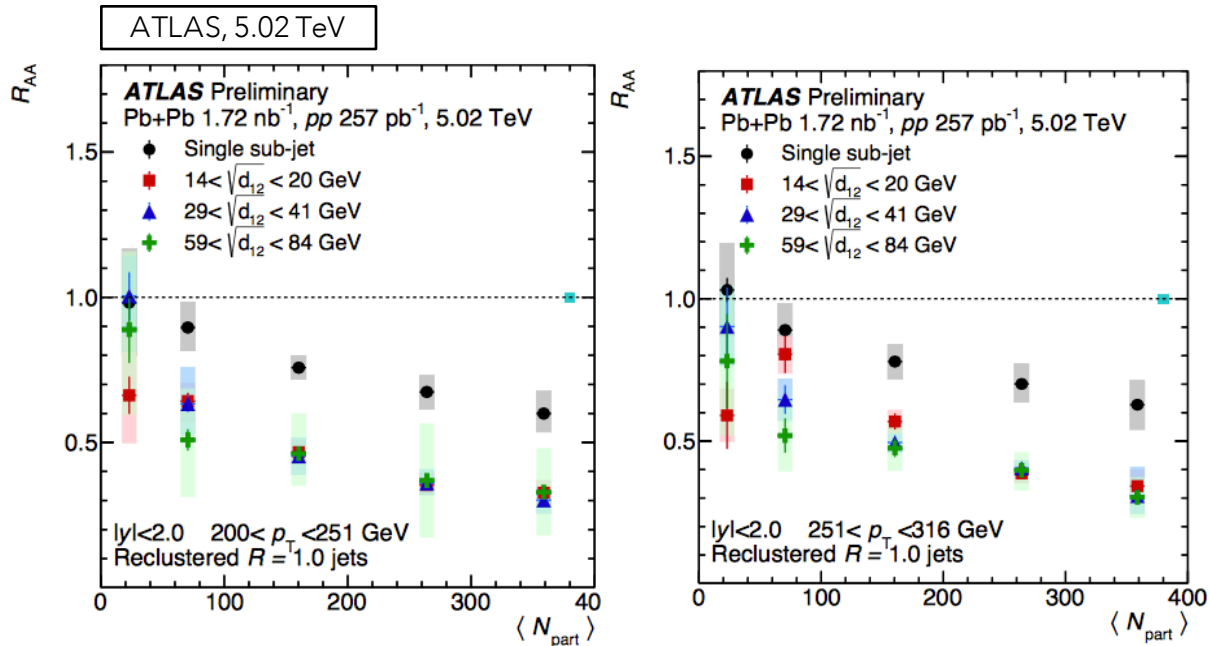
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- Reclustered jets are different to the conventional $R = 1.0$ jets
- Trimming and 35 GeV/ c threshold remove soft components

Jet substructure with subjets

Utilizing subjets, i.e. reclustering



- Small $\sqrt{d_{12}}$ dependence for jets with a complex substructure, i.e. $\sqrt{d_{12}} > 0$ jets
- Significant difference in jet quenching between jets with a single subjet and jets with multi-prong structure