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Heavy-Flavour Panel Discussion

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Introduction: Broader Context

(Q1) What are the transport properties of QCD matter and how do they emerge from the underlying interactions of quarks and gluons?

(Q2) What are the spectral functions of QCD matter and what can they tell us about the degrees of freedom at different temperatures?

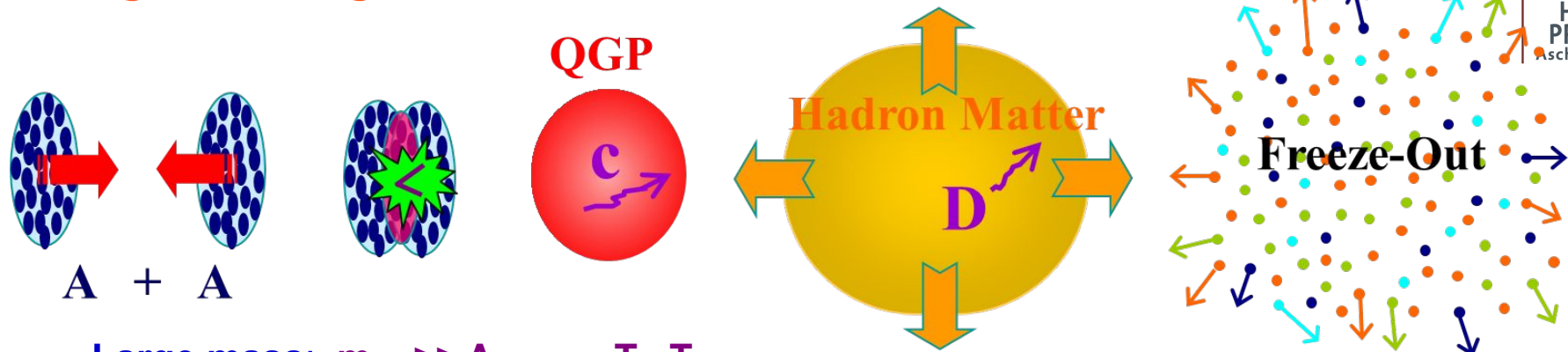
(Q3) How does the quantum many-body physics of the sQGP limit its transport coefficients?

(Q4) What are the mechanisms of converting quarks and gluons into hadrons?

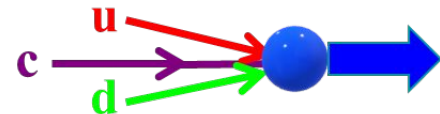
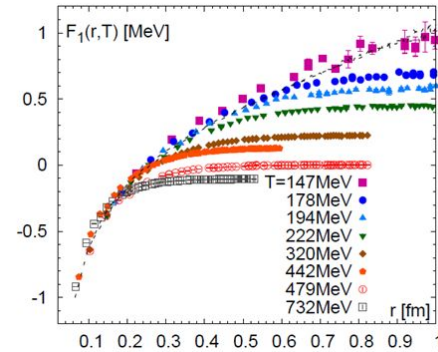
(Q5) How do elastic interactions in QCD matter at low p (diffusive regime) transition into inelastic reactions at high p (radiative regime)?

(Q6) How do jets evolve in QCD matter?

Why Heavy-Flavor Probes?



- Large mass: $m_Q \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}, T, T_c$
- Produced early, **diffuse** through QCD medium
- Delayed thermalization: gauge of **interaction strength**
- Ample connections to thermal **lattice QCD**
- **Hadronization**: reco. vs fragm. : $c \rightarrow D, D_s, \Lambda_c, J/\psi, \dots$
- Discernible **transition** from diffusion to radiation
- Mass/dead cone effects in **radiation**, jet substructure



Recent Progress

- **Low-Momentum Brownian Motion**

- $v_2 + R_{AA}$ **data**: $1.5 < 2\pi T \mathcal{D}_S < 4.5$, supported by reaction task forces, lattice QCD,...

- scattering rates $\Gamma_c \geq 0.5 \text{ GeV} \rightarrow$ **quantum liquid**

- long-range non-perturbative forces essential

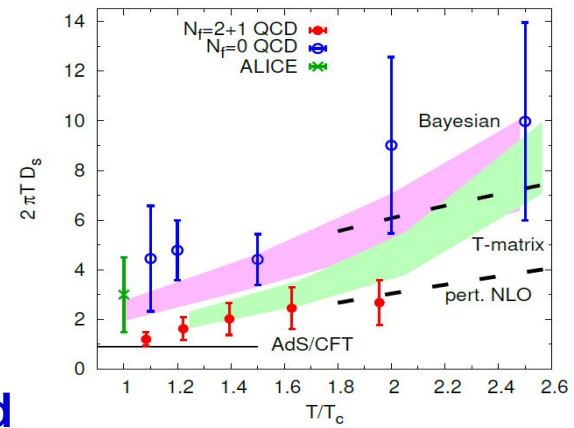
- **Hadro-Chemistry**

- HQ coupling to collective light partons, SMCs

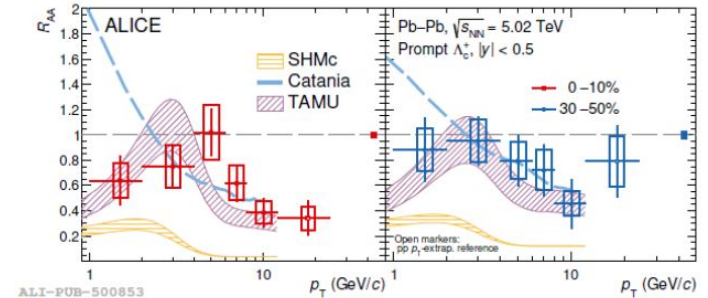
- distinct patterns of charm-hadron production

- **High-Momentum Energy Loss**

- Theoretical and experimental access to heavy flavor splittings



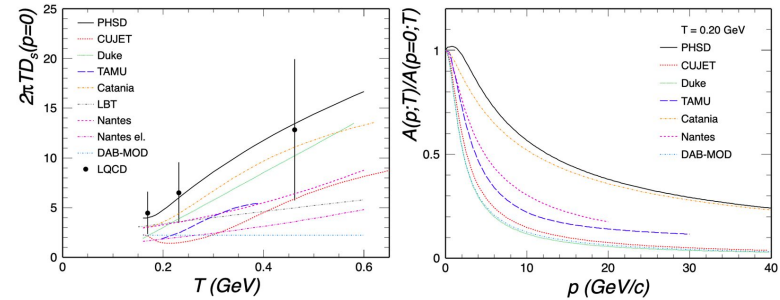
[Kaczmarek et al.]



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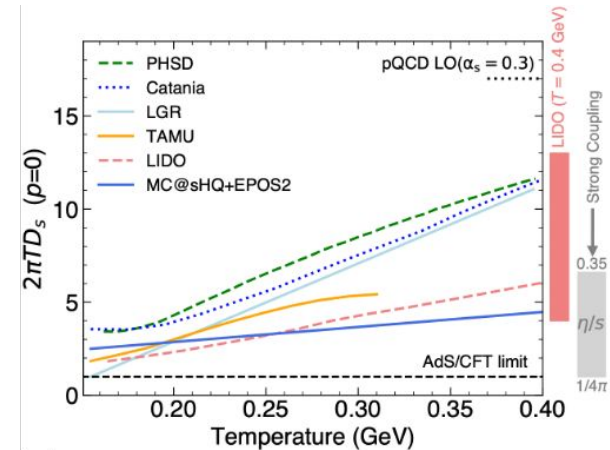
Low Momentum: Diffusion + Flow

- 3-momentum dependence of transport coeffs.
- Non-perturbative HQ-QGP interactions at low p_T
 - constraints on heavy-light interactions
 - implications for in-medium color potential and sQGP structure
 - charm vs. bottom



Trento HF WS '21

- Transport coefficients: community effort to move from “poor man’s envelopes” to rigorous Bayesian inference?
 - include both meson and baryon data



ALICE, A journey through QCD, arXiv:2211.04384

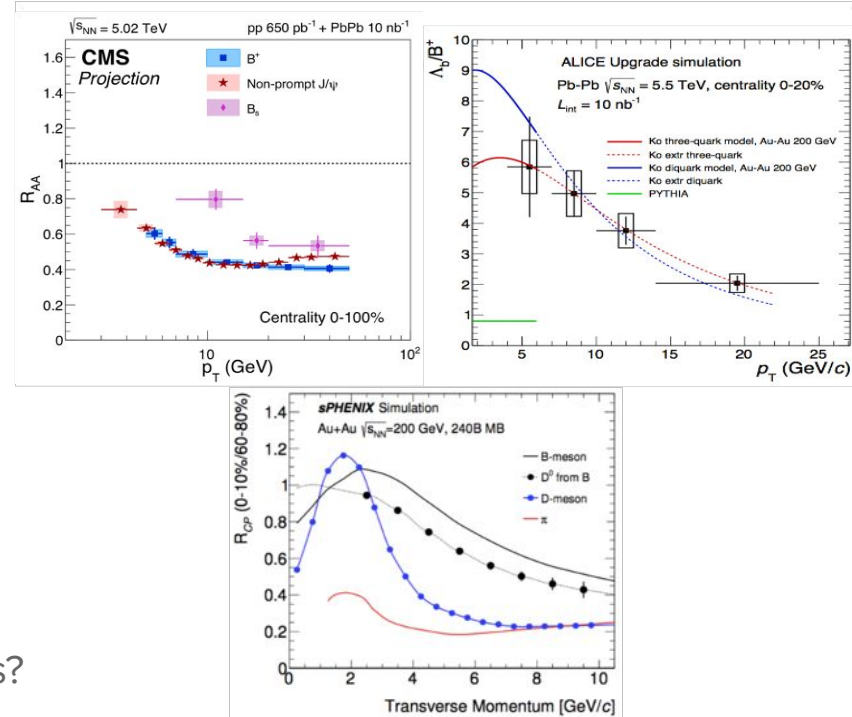
Low Momentum: Diffusion + Flow

- Spatial diffusion coefficient $D_S \sim$ independent of heavy quark mass (to be verified with more precise lattice calculations)

- Thermalization time \sim linear with mass:

$$\tau_Q = (m_Q/T)D_S$$

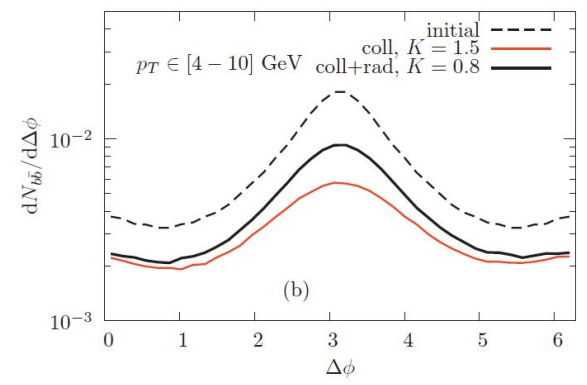
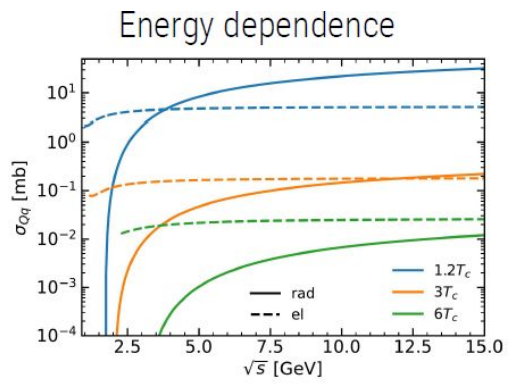
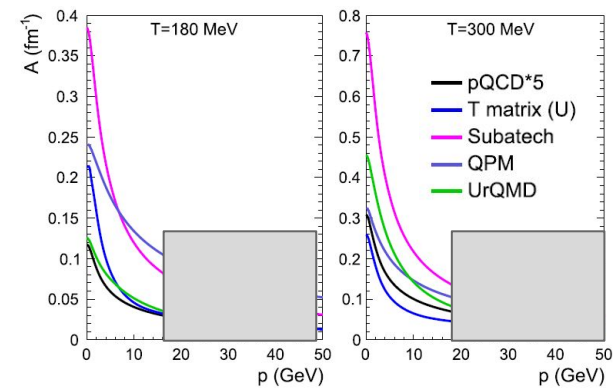
- D_S estimates lead to $\tau_{\text{charm}} = 3-9 \text{ fm}/c$
- Is charm fully thermalised? How to assess that?
 - Correlations of charm and bulk flow?
- b quarks have thermalization time x3-4 larger than c
- B mesons down to $p_T=0$ (sPHENIX, future LHC runs)
- What additional information do we get from b quarks?



Intermediate Momenta: Kinetics + Hadronization



- Transition from:
 - nonperturbative to perturbative interactions
 - diffusion to radiation
- Single relaxation coefficient at low p vs. 3 transport / FP coefficients at intermediate p
- How to measure/constrain transport coefficients? Important role of correlations:
 - D-Dbar angular momentum correlations, ultimate measurement, longer term;
 - start D-h as proxy in upcoming LHC/RHIC runs
- Pros and cons of Fokker-Planck vs Boltzmann transport

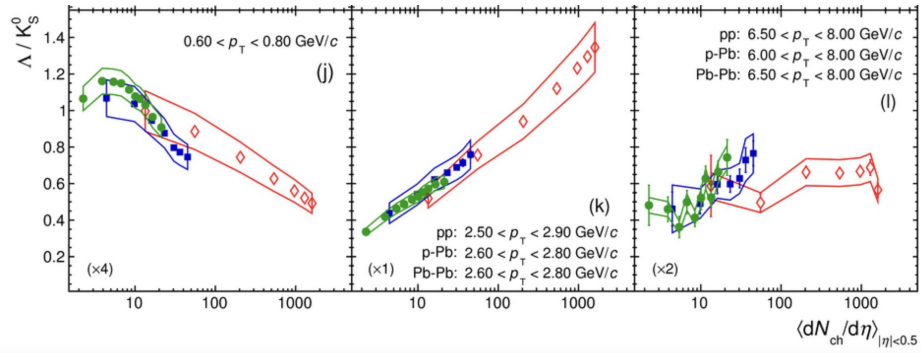
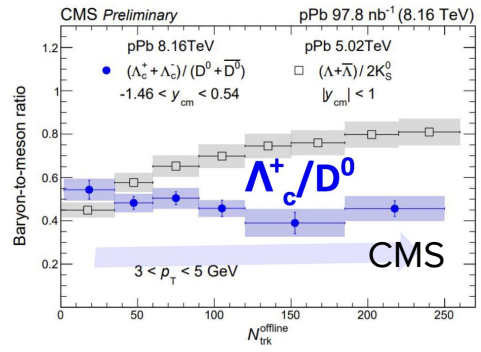
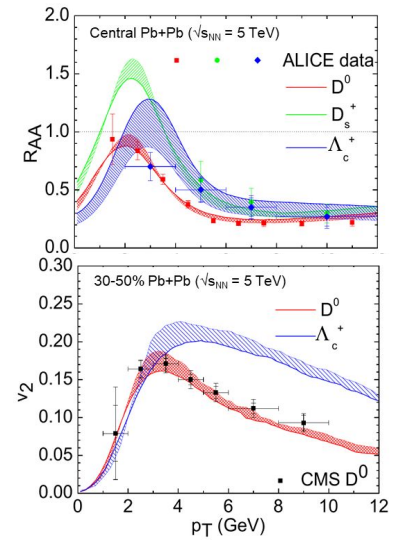


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 Hard Probes 2023 / HF panel discussion

Iliia Grishmanovskii (DQPM approach, this conference)

Nahrgang et al PRC90

- Approach to kinetic and chemical equilibrium:
How can we compare to light flavour? Importance of hadron masses
- Chemistry + flow of excited baryon production
- Measurement of charm resonances? First measurements of D_s^* appearing in our field, look for baryonic charm resonances?

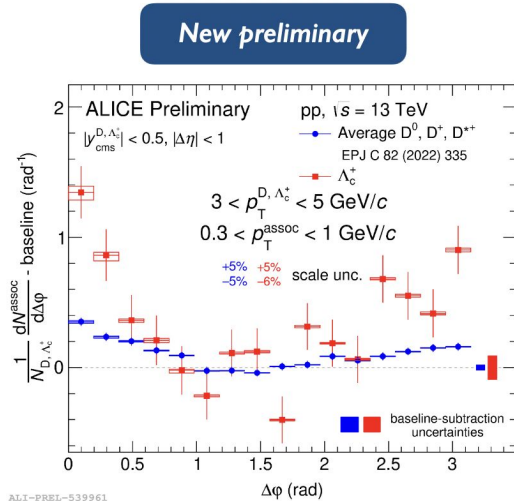


[ALICE, [Phys. Rev. C 99, 024906](https://arxiv.org/abs/2305.12345)]

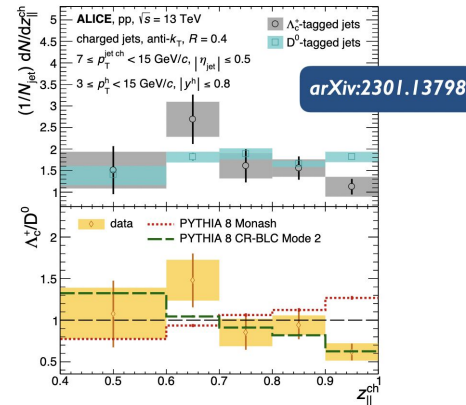
Intermediate Momenta: Piecing the puzzle together

- Jet measurements and correlation measurements

Λ_c^+ , D^0 -hadron correlations



Λ_c^+ vs. D^0 fragmentation $z_{||}^{ch} = \frac{p_{jet} \cdot p_{\Lambda_c^+}}{p_{jet} \cdot p_{jet}}$

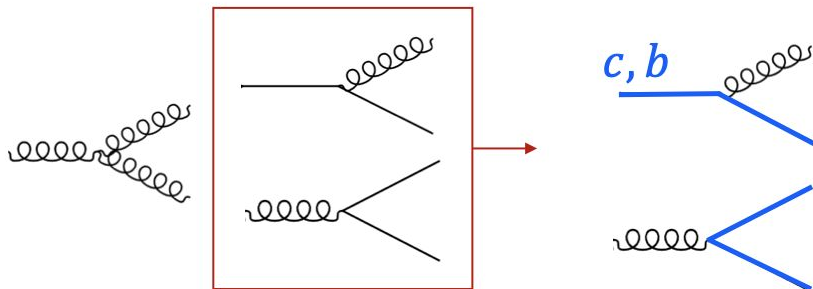


Softer fragmentation of Λ_c^+

Motivation for heavy flavor in jets

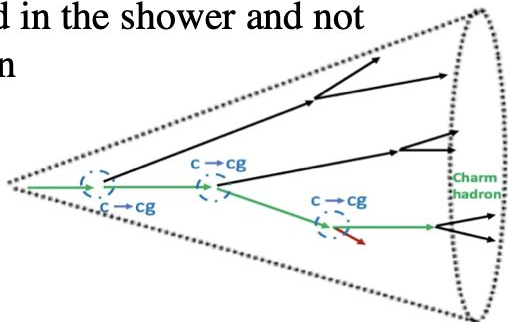
Flavor-dependence of splittings

At high splitter energies, access light flavor splittings



- Heavy flavor is preserved in the shower and not produced at hadronization

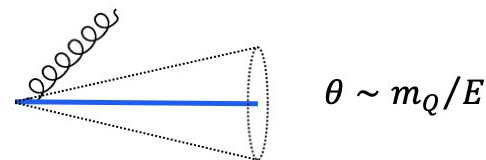
Used in ALICE [2106.05713]



See also Li, Vitev [1801.00008], Attems et al. [2203.11241, 2209.13600]

Mass-dependence of splittings

At low splitter energies, mass effects are important

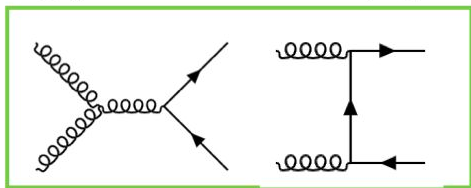


- suppressed vacuum radiation around massive quark
ALICE [2106.05713]
- In heavy-ions: isolate medium-induced emissions inside the deadcone?

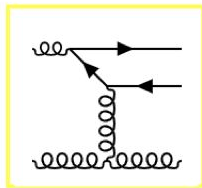
Armesto, Salgado, Wiedemann [0312106]
Cunquero, Napoletano, Soto-Ontoso [2211.11789]

All require having good control over flavor of splittings

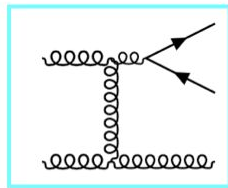
Leading processes for heavy quark production



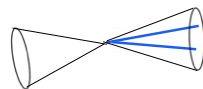
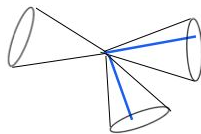
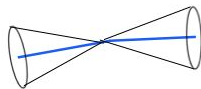
Flavor creation



Flavor excitation



Gluon splitting



Distinguish with event structure, jet substructure, decay topology?

Reconstructed heavy hadron

- Hadron kinematics → reconstruct splittings
- Lower statistics (from rare decays)

Displaced vertex

- Tag that there was a heavy hadron without explicit kinematics

Identifying quark-initiated jets

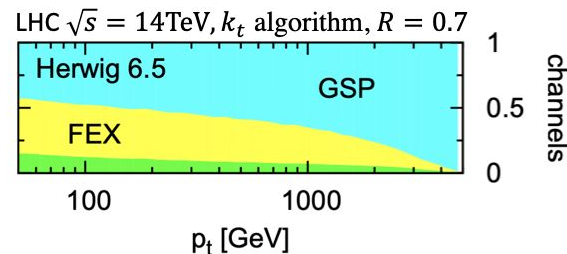
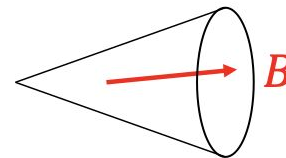
- How effectively do back-to-back HF jets isolate quark-initiated jets?
- Or, can gluon splitting contributions be removed without identifying both hadrons (e.g., using substructure with 0 or 1 hadrons)?

Method using muon correlations in ATLAS [Sebastian Tapia, Wed]

What if (one or both) HF hadrons are not reconstructed?

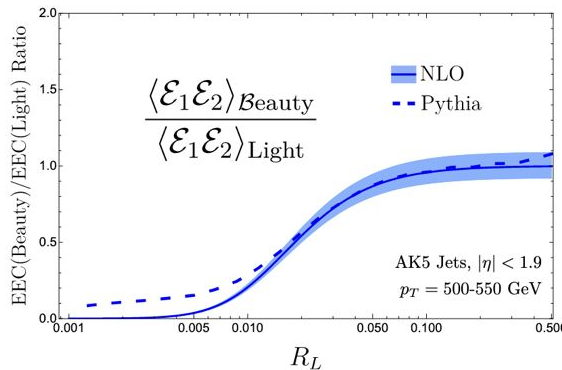
- How well can energy flow in HF-tagged jet constrain the kinematics of the HF hadron?
- Do unreconstructed hadron decay products distort jet substructure?

Single-HF jets include a lot of gluon splitting



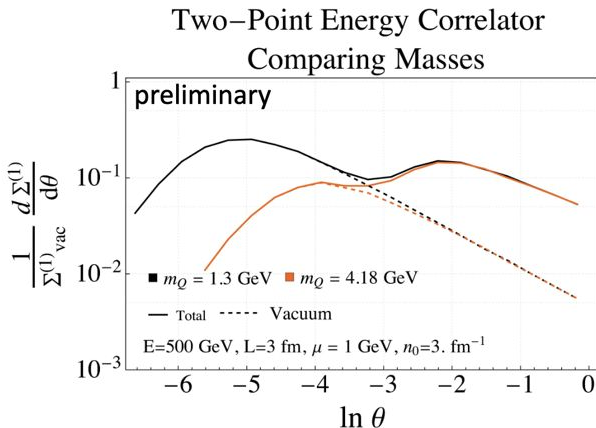
Banfi, Salam, Zanderighi [0704.2999]

Jet tree versus correlators: complementary, theoretical/experimental advantages?



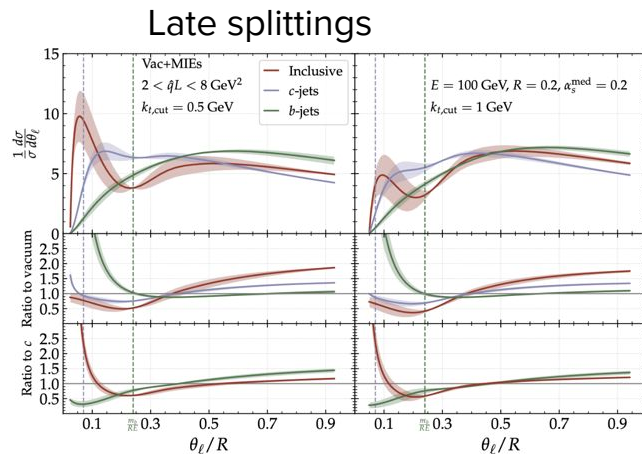
Craft, Lee, Mecca, Moul, [2210.09311](#)

First NLL calculation of a heavy-flavoured jet substructure observable in pp collisions
 Clear suppression of small angles for b-jets, same scaling behaviour as massless for large angular scales



Holguin et al, this conference

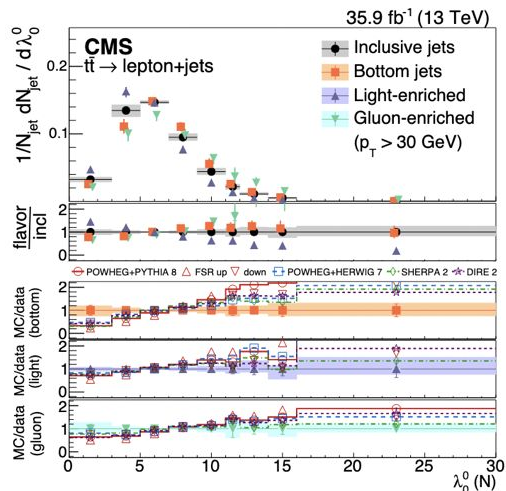
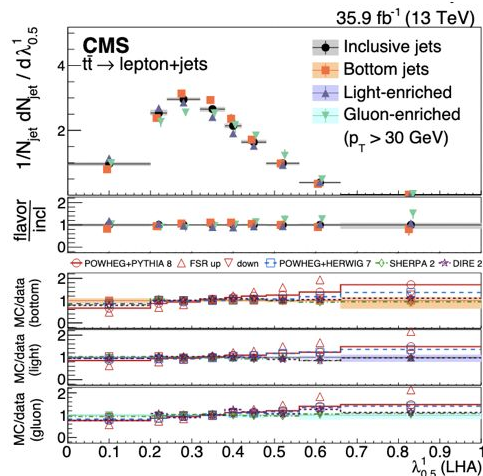
Strong sensitivity to dead cone in EEC



Ontoso et al, this conference

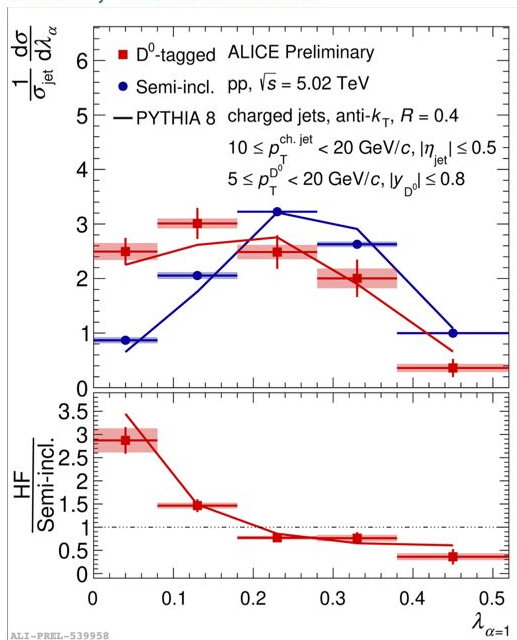
Exposing the filling of the dead cone with the jet tree

b/c-tagging vs full hadron reco and substructure



Bottom jet multiplicity and angularity very similar to inclusive's
 Light-enriched jets have smaller multiplicities than b-jets
 Probably due to the impact of the heavy flavour hadron decay daughters

ALICE, this conference

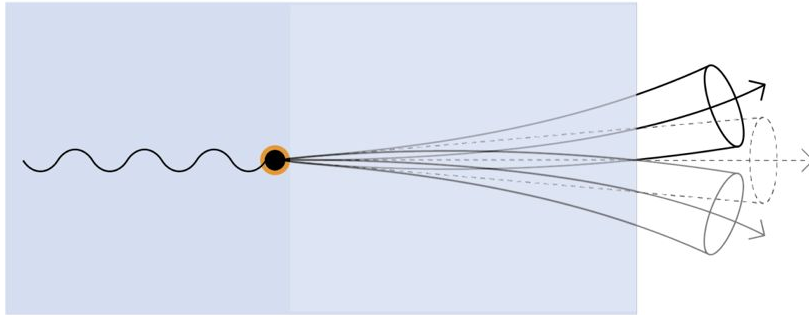


Strong separation, D-jets are narrower



Other interesting mass effects

Mayo et al, this conference



$$\hat{q}_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \hat{q} \left[1 + \frac{m^2}{E^2} \right] \left[\left(1 - \frac{m^2 \mathbf{u}^2}{2E^2} \right) \delta_{ij} - u_i u_j \frac{m^2}{E^2} \right]$$

← depends on mass

anisotropic quenching for massive quarks