

# Disentangling the gluon Bremsstrahlung effects from the underlying event in high-multiplicity pp collisions

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Andrea Katalin Gulyás: Error 2 (detail)

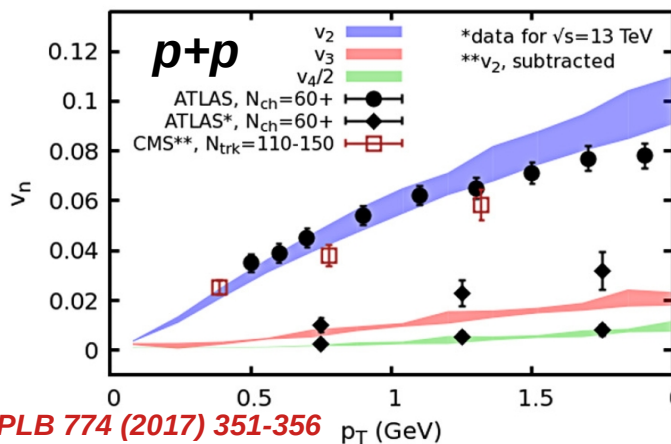
József Zimányi (1931 - 2006)



# Motivation – collectivity in small systems **but ...**

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superSONIC for p+p,  $\sqrt{s}=5.02$  TeV, 0-1%

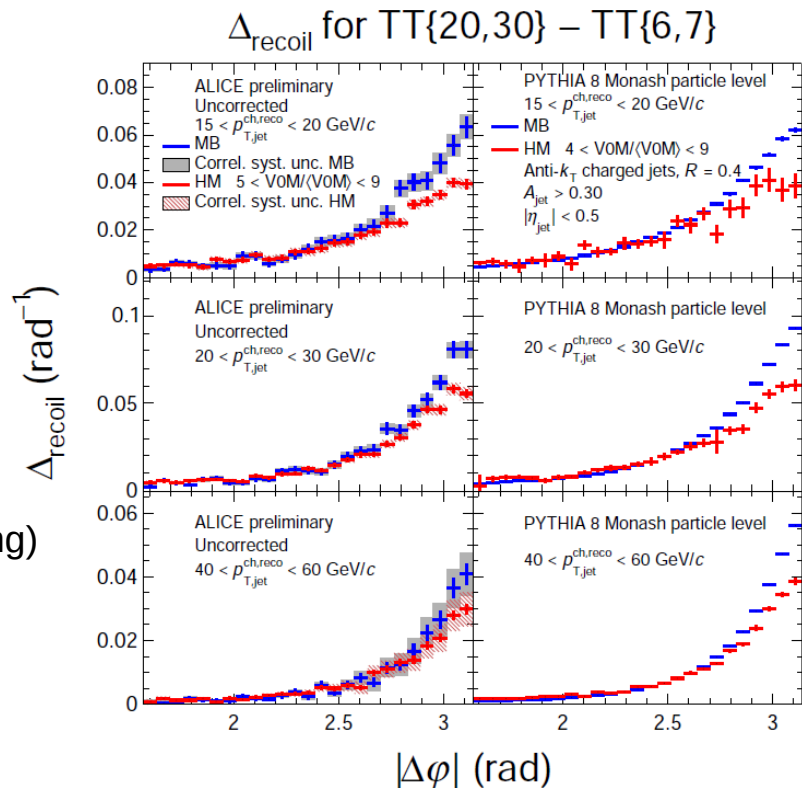


-> **High-multiplicity proton-proton collisions show collective behavior**

**... no effect of jet quenching found so far**

- > Broadening of recoil jet acoplanarity -> not conclusive
- > Similar effect observed in the PYTHIA model (no jet-quenching)
- > Alternative: vacuum QCD effects produce collective behavior

**Goal:** Study high-multiplicity pp events in the **PYTHIA model** to **understand** event **selection biases**



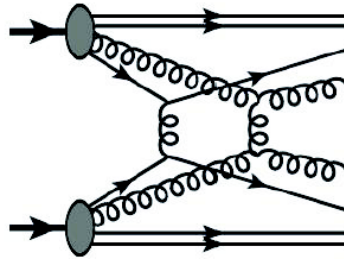
# Methods – PYTHIA 8 model

*PYTHIA MC event generator: standard “tool” in HE physics for modeling pp collisions:*  
LO 2->2 process + parton shower (Initial- and Final state radiation), Color Reconnection, MPI

## Multiparton interactions:

- > more than one hard parton scattering in a pp collision
- > *explain increased activity in the UE in a hard scattering*

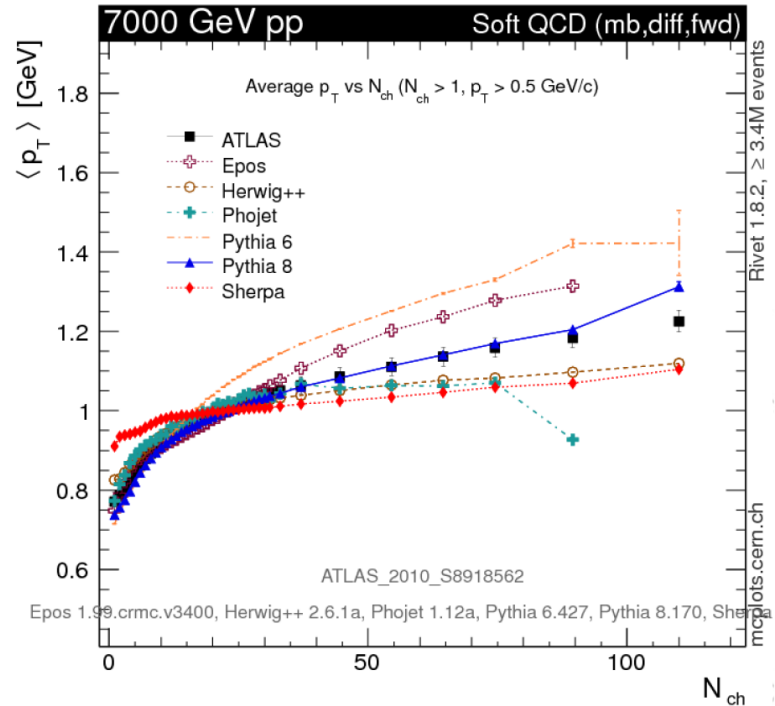
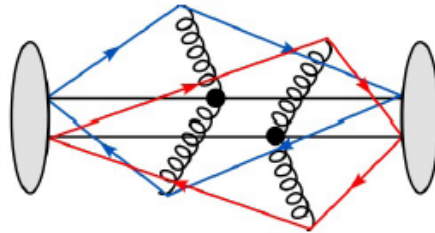
See e.g.: *EPJC 74, 3024 (2014)*



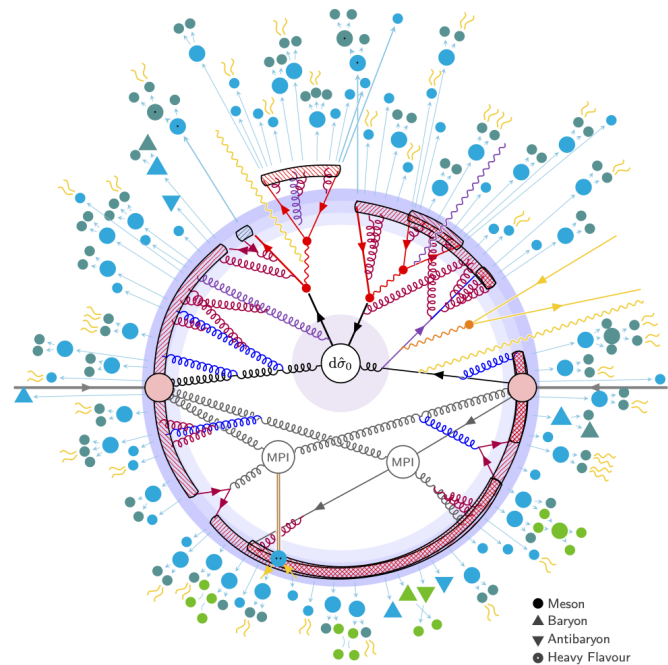
## Color reconnection:

- > reconnect color strings before hadronization
- > *explain experimental data: average  $p_T$  flow -> causing collective behavior*

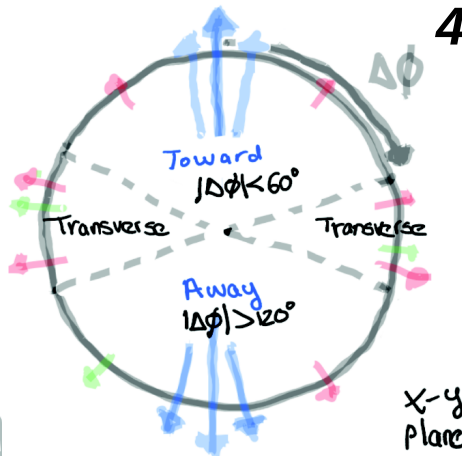
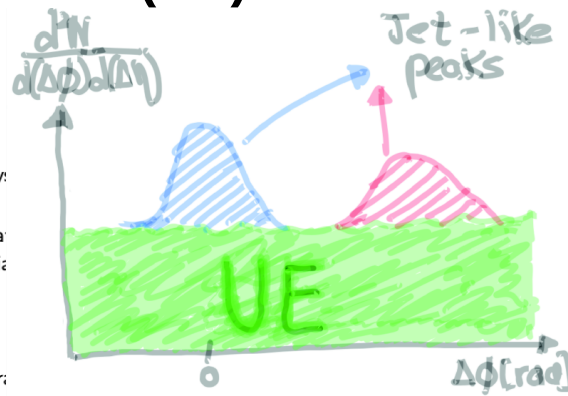
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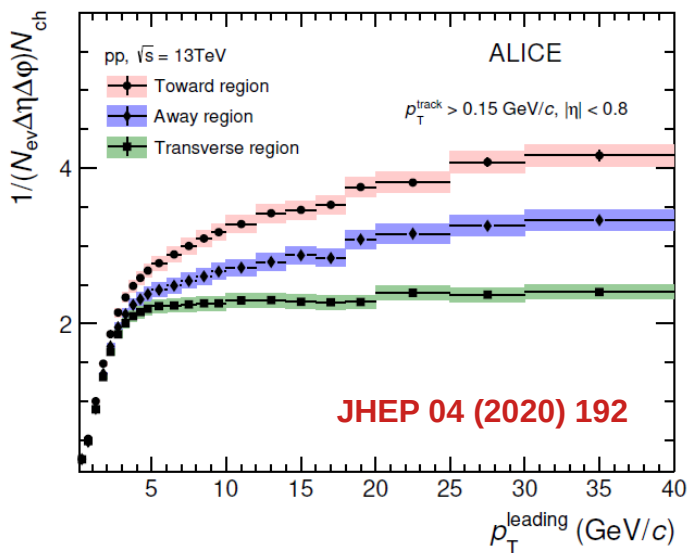
# Methods – The underlying event (UE)



- Hard Interaction
  - Resonance Decay:
  - Matrix Elements
  - Final-State Radia:
  - Initial-State Radia:
  - QED Radiation
  - Weak Showers
  - Hard Onium
  - Multiparton Inter:
  - Beam Remnants\*
  - Strings
  - Ministrings / Clusters
  - Colour Reconnections
  - String Interactions
  - Bose-Einstein & Fermi-Dirac
  - Primary Hadrons
  - Secondary Hadrons
  - Hadronic Reinteractions
- (\*: incoming lines are crossed)



- > **Underlying event:** unavoidable background; everything but hard scattered partons (MPI, ISR/FSR)
- > Measurable in experiment: charged particle number densities, self-normalized quantities, ...etc.
- > **Transverse region ( $\pi/3 < |\Delta\phi| < 2\pi/3$ ): sensitive to UE, insensitive to  $p_{T,trig}$**



# Methods – The event activity classifier $R_T$

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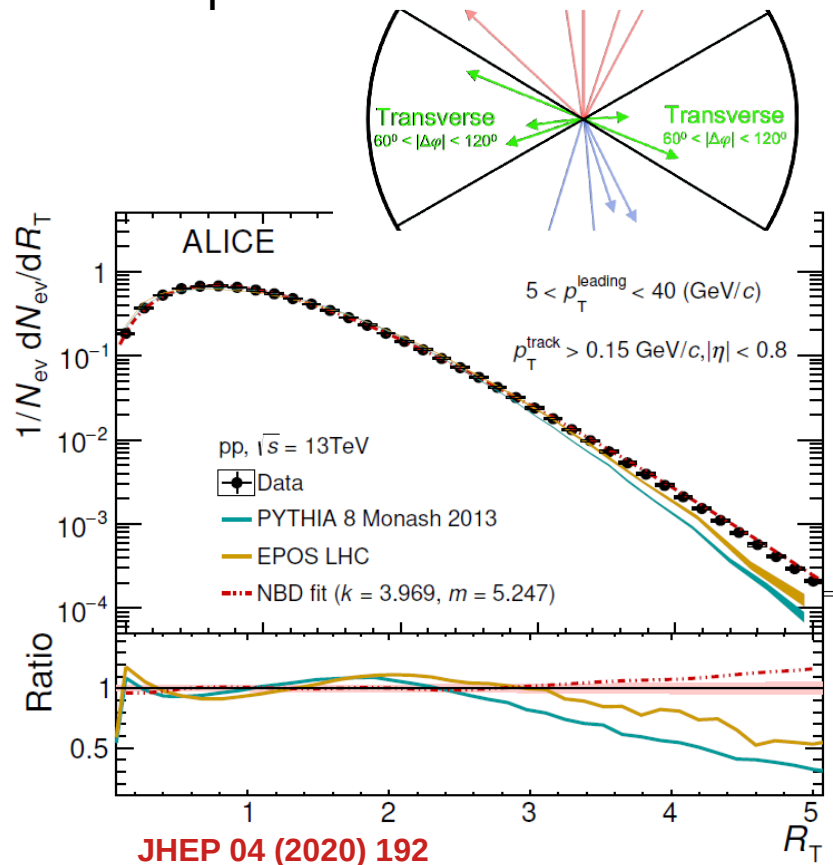
- > New set of observable to probe the structure of the UE (EPJ C (2016) 76, 299)
- > *relative transverse activity classifier  $R_T$*

$$R_T = \frac{N_{\text{ch}}^{\text{trans.}}}{\langle N_{\text{ch}}^{\text{trans.}} \rangle}$$

- >  $R_T$ : defined in the Transverse region, adopted in the Underlying Event analysis

=> **Goal:**

- *study how event selection based on  $R_T$  biases towards and away regions*
- *study observable more suitable for jet quenching searches in small systems*



# Methods – The “ $I_{pp}$ ”

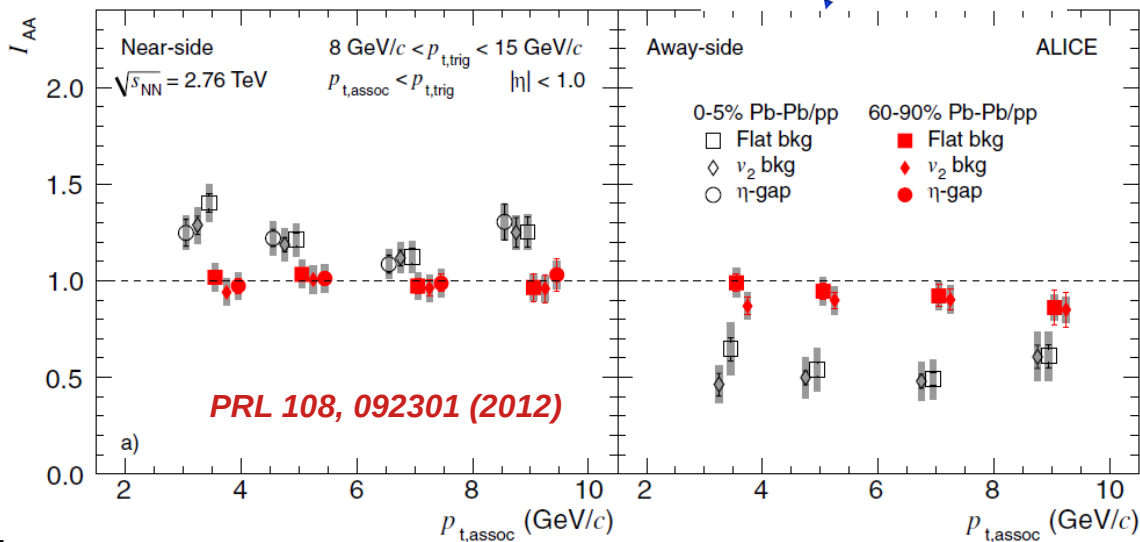
$I_{AA}$ : ratio of jet-like yield from AA to the one from pp collisions

-> interplay between the parton production spectrum and energy loss in the medium

-> Similar observation by CMS (CMS-PAS-HIN-12-010)

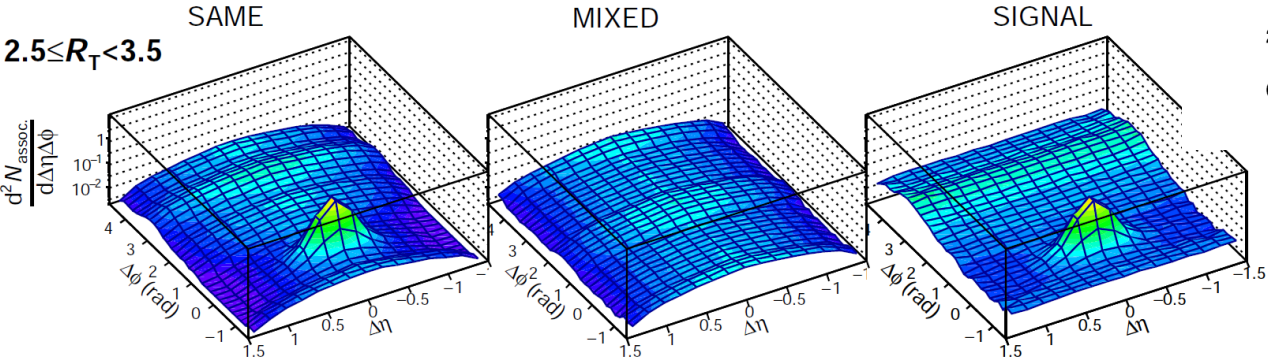
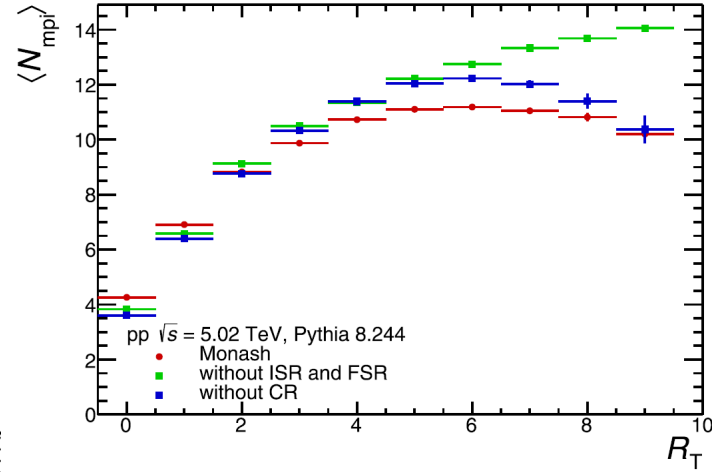
$I_{pp}$ :  $(\frac{dN}{dp_T})_{RT \text{ class}}$  to  $(\frac{dN}{dp_T})_{RT > 0}$   
ALICE coll. arXiv:2204.10157v1

=> Goal:  
Perform standard two-particle azimuthal correlation analysis to study jet-quenching effects



# Methods - jet-like signal $C(\Delta\eta\Delta\phi)$ extraction (J.Phys.G 48 (2020) 1, 015007)

- > **Correlations at partonic level** turned **on/off**:  
Initial- and Final state radiation, CR
- > **Monash tune**:  $\langle N_{\text{MPI}} \rangle$  saturates  
“picks up” particles from jet fragments -> **activity biased**



pp  $\sqrt{s} = 5.02$  TeV Pythia 8.244 (Monash),  $8 \leq p_T^{\text{leading}} < 15$  GeV/c,  $4.0 \leq p_T^{\text{assoc}} < 6.0$  GeV/c

- > **structure observed in the Transverse region** ( $\pi/3 < |\Delta\phi| < 2\pi/3$ ): associated yield increases with  $R_T$
- > **Contribution** to the Towards/Away regions **removed with mixed event technique**
- > Underlying event subtracted using Zero Yield at Minimum method
- > **Evolution of jet signal with  $R_T$  is studied**

# Results: Charged particle yield as a function of $\Delta\phi$ (J.Phys.G 48 (2020) 1, 015007)

$R_T > 2.5$ : peak at  $\Delta\phi \sim 2$  rad

-> region where avg. MPI saturates: presence of a third jet -> selection bias

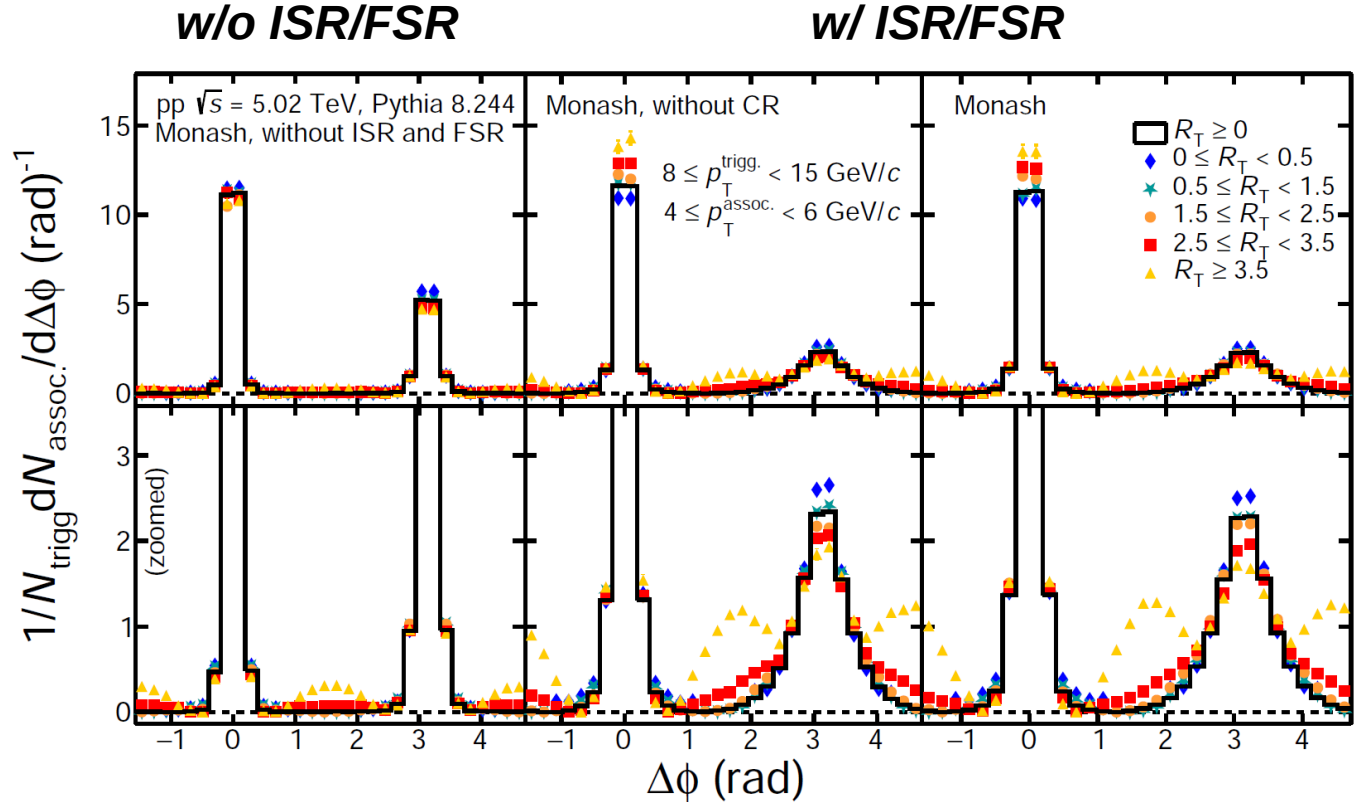
-> Experimentally observed: increase of particle yield with  $R_T$

ALICE Coll. [arXiv:1910.04457v2](https://arxiv.org/abs/1910.04457v2)

-> Toward region: yield increases with  $R_T$

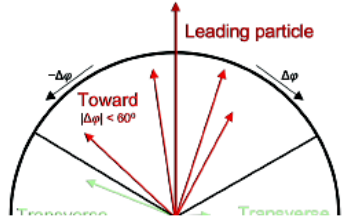
-> Away region: broadening with  $R_T$

-> Quantify the effect: calculate the ratio of yields from different  $R_T$  classes to the  $R_T$ -integrated one:  $I_{pp}$

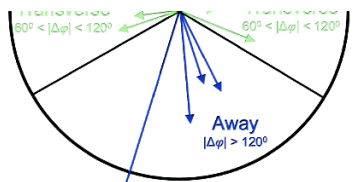




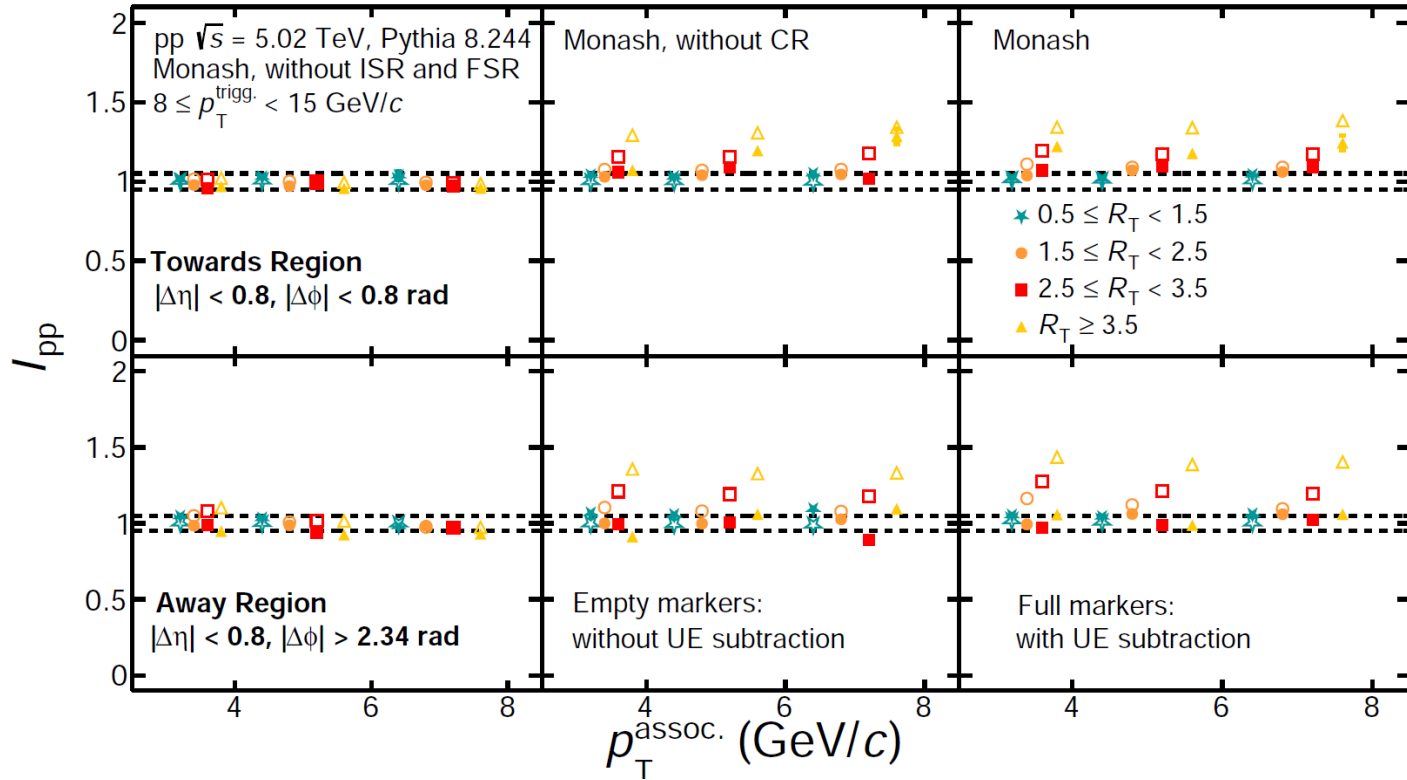
# Results: Ratio of yields in $R_T$ event classes = $I_{pp}$ (J.Phys.G 48 (2020) 1, 015007)



->  $I_{pp} = 1$  no selection bias  
and/or w/o radiations  
→ ISR/FSR:  $I_{pp}$  increase  
w/  $R_T$  similar to heavy-ion



UE subtraction:  
-> different behavior  
->  $I_{pp} = 1$  UE subtraction:  
event selection bias negligible



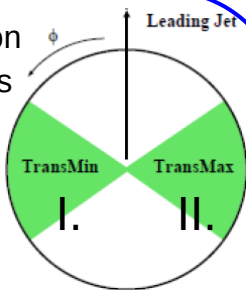
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# Results – Dihadron correlation vs. UE activity (PRD 104 (2021) 1, 016017)

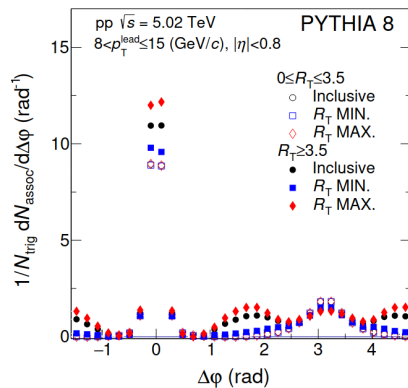
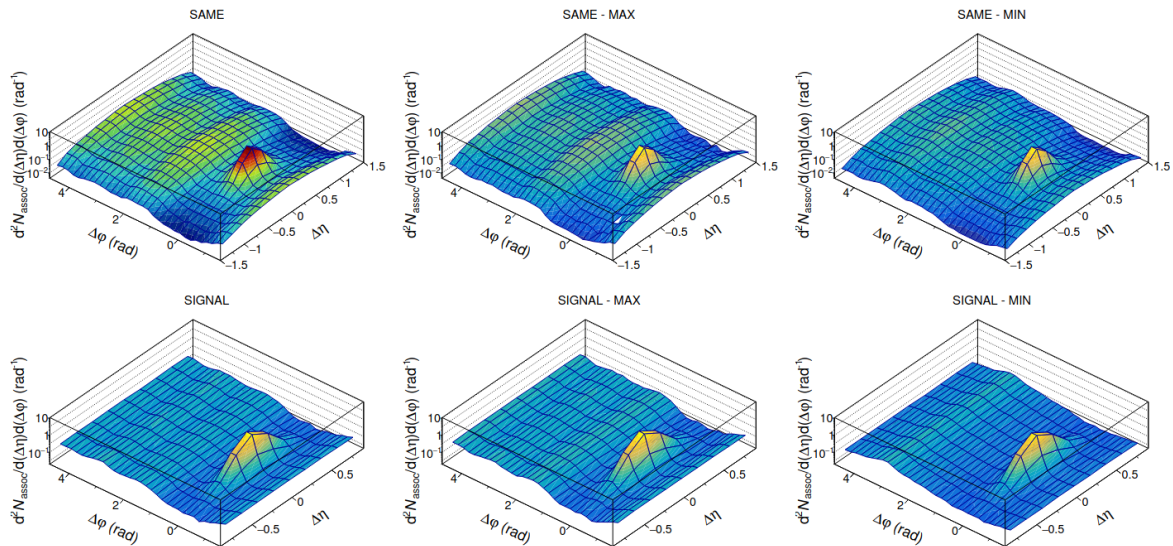
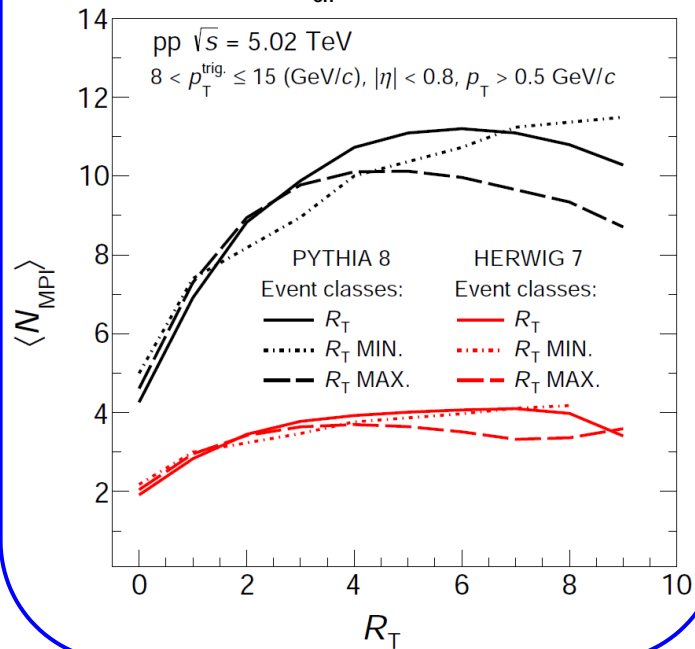
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New selection of  $R_T$  based on charged-particle multiplicities

$N_{ch}^{trans,max}$  and  $N_{ch}^{trans,min}$



Trans-max (trans-min) = trans. region (I. or II.) with largest (smallest)  $N_{ch}$

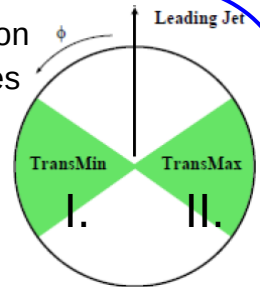


## Di-hadron correlation as a function of UE activity

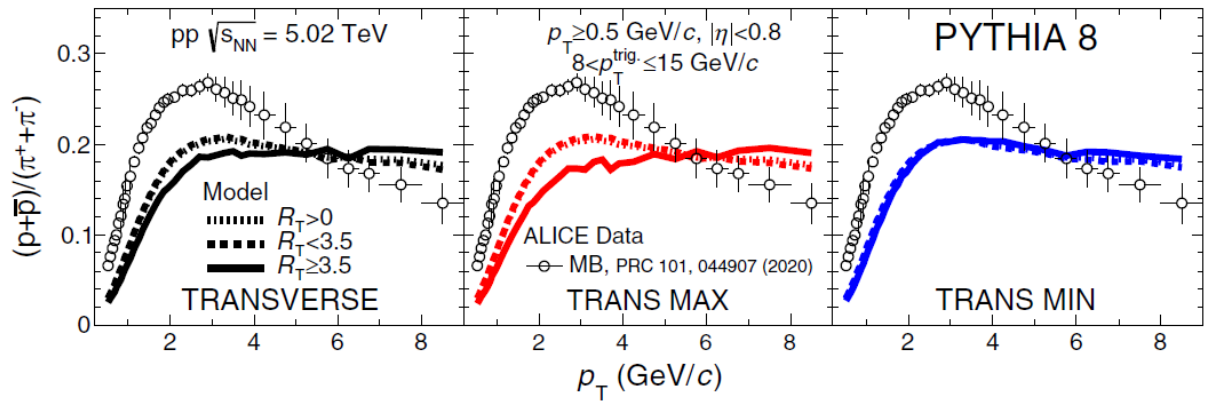
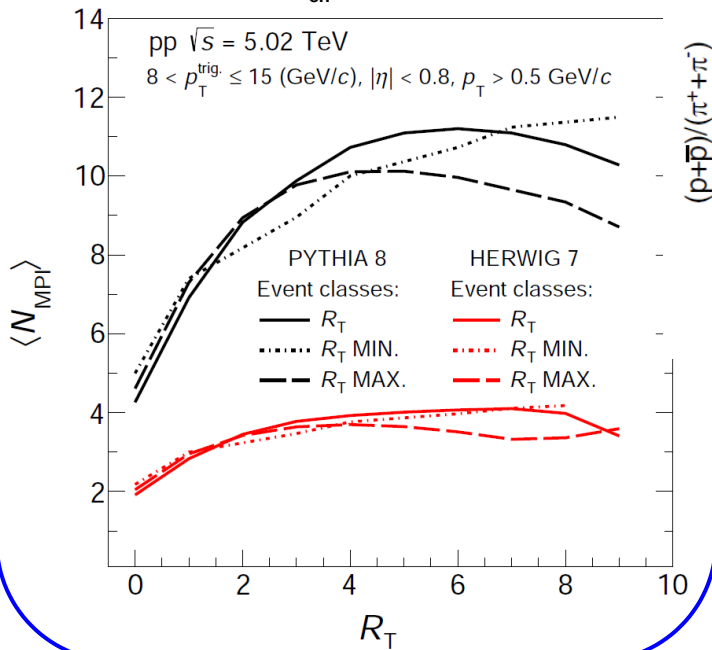
- presence of more ISR and FSR in events with large  $R_{T,max}$
- $R_{T,min}$  better suited as event activity estimator (reduced bias)

# Results – Baryon-to-meson ratio vs. UE activity (PRD 104 (2021) 1, 016017)

New selection of  $R_T$  based on charged-particle multiplicities  $N_{ch}^{trans,max}$  and  $N_{ch}^{trans,min}$



Trans-max (trans-min) = trans. region (I. or II.) with largest (smallest)  $N_{ch}$



**Barion-to-meson ratios as a function of UE activity**

- $R_{T,max}$ : depletion consistent with the presence of jets in the trans. region
- $R_{T,min}$ : enhancement with increasing  $R_{T,min}$
- expected in events with large avg.  $N_{MPI}$

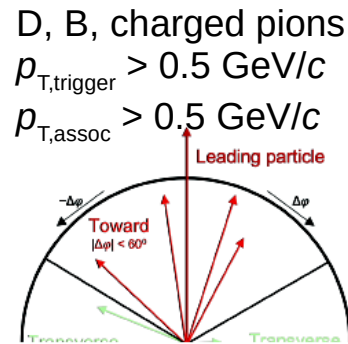
# Interaction of UE and q/g using heavy flavors

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- > Study UE event activity with light- and heavy flavor triggers
- > Light (heavy) flavors initiated by q/g (q) => color charge difference
- > Flavor-dependent fragmentation functions

**Observation: heavy flavor hierarchy is due to CR and not hadron mass**  
(light fl., PRD 99(3), 034027 (2019))



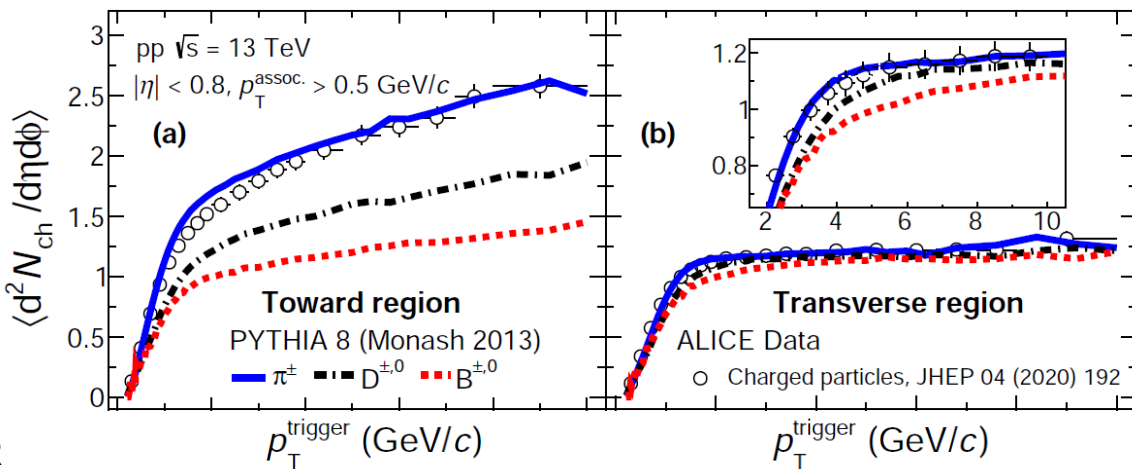
## PYTHIA string fragmentation bias:

- g (q) are connected to two (one) string pieces
- pion sample biased with enhanced gluons
- pion trigger larger CR effect expected

## Selection of q/g initiating partons

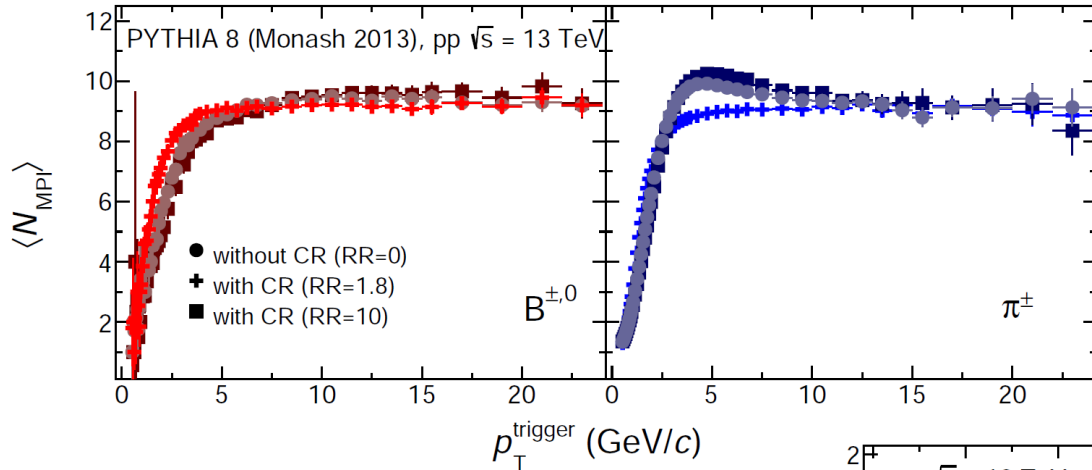
- B-jets / pions proxies for q/g jets
- misidentification rates: 5–10% / 10–25%

**Goal: Test flavor hierarchy in UE with CR**



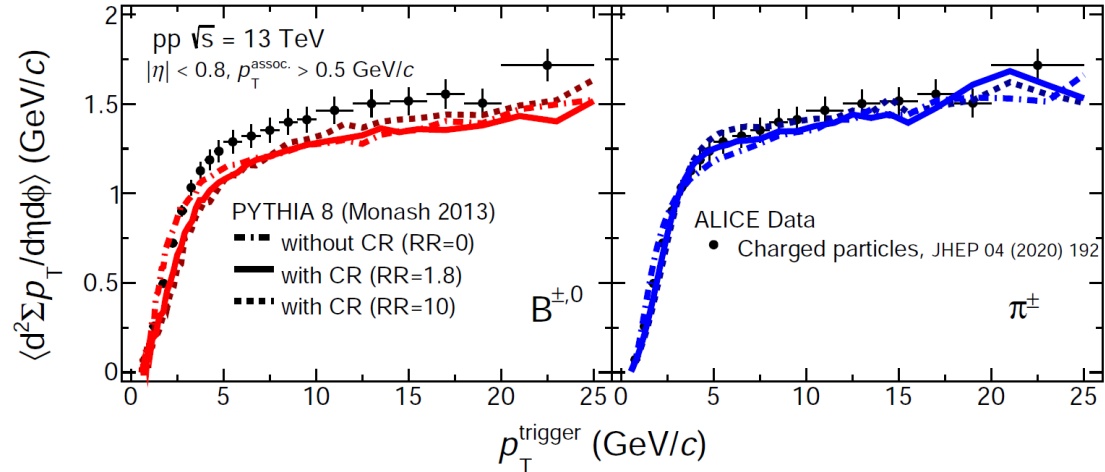
# Results – flavor separation with different CR strenghts (measures UE activity) 13

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$2 \text{ GeV} < p_T < 8 \text{ GeV}/c$ :  
 $\rightarrow \text{UE activity}_{\text{HEAVY trigger}} < \text{UE activity}_{\text{LIGHT trigger}}$

- > Leading hard process is connected to the UE via color reconnection
- > Flavor dependence is driven by the color composition of the initiating parton



# Summary

- High-multiplicity  $pp$  events can be made bias-free using event classification based on  $R_T$  and study observables in the Away region

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- Minimum activity Transverse region ( $R_{T,min}$ ) reduces selection bias due to gluon radiation

(PRD 104 (2021) 1, 016017)

- Flavor of the leading process affects the UE

(EPJ A (2021) 57, 301)

