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Jet substructure measurements in heavy-ion collisions

talk based on **ALICE, CMS** and **ATLAS** data

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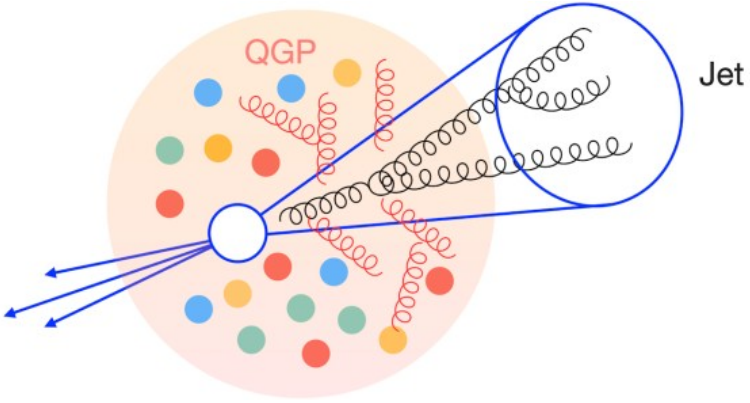

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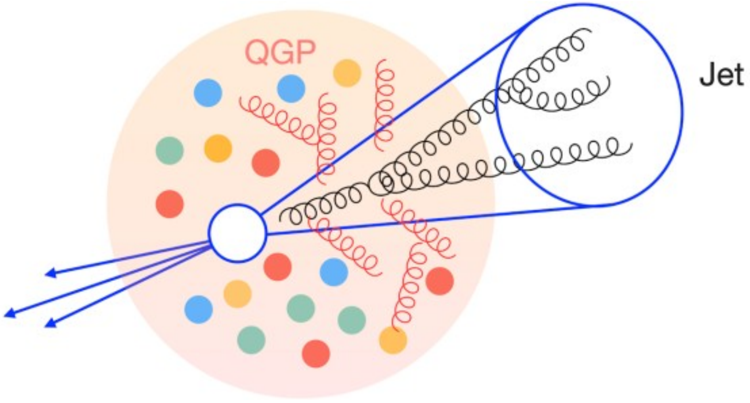

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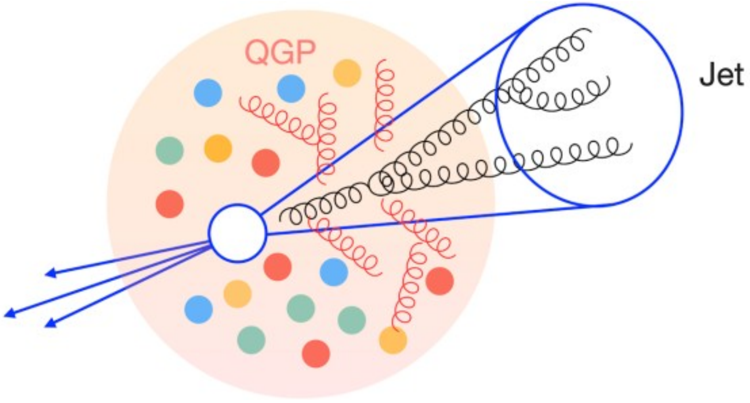

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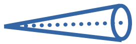

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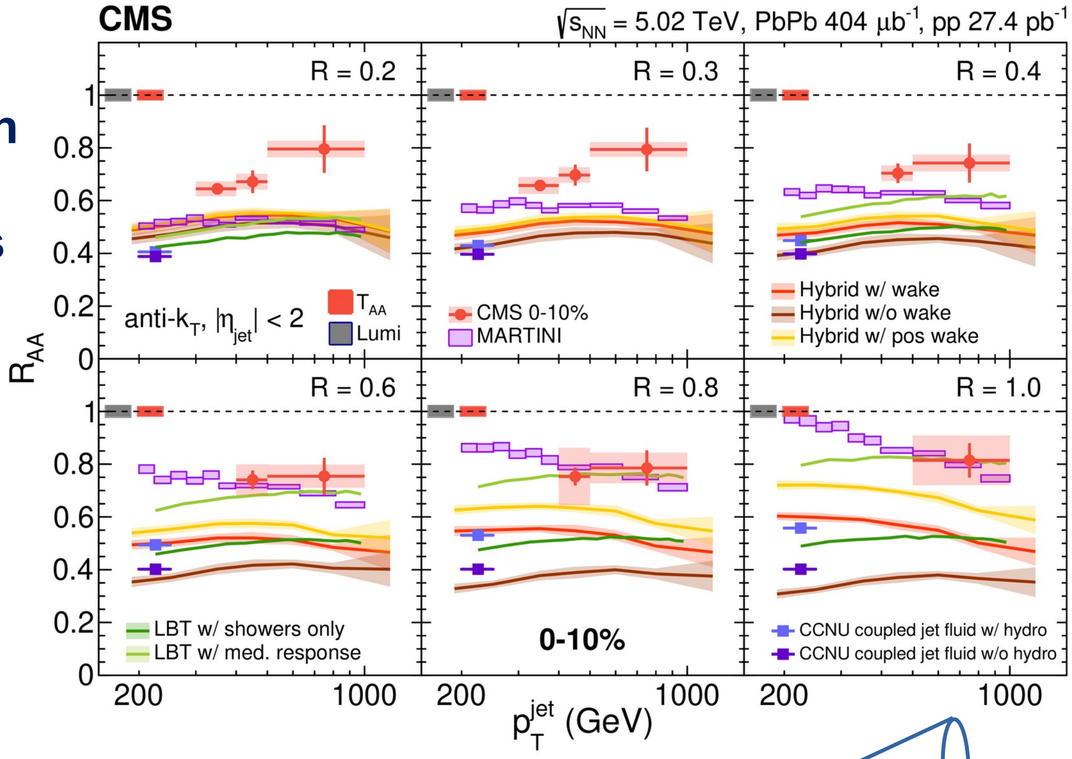

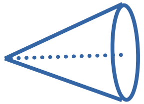

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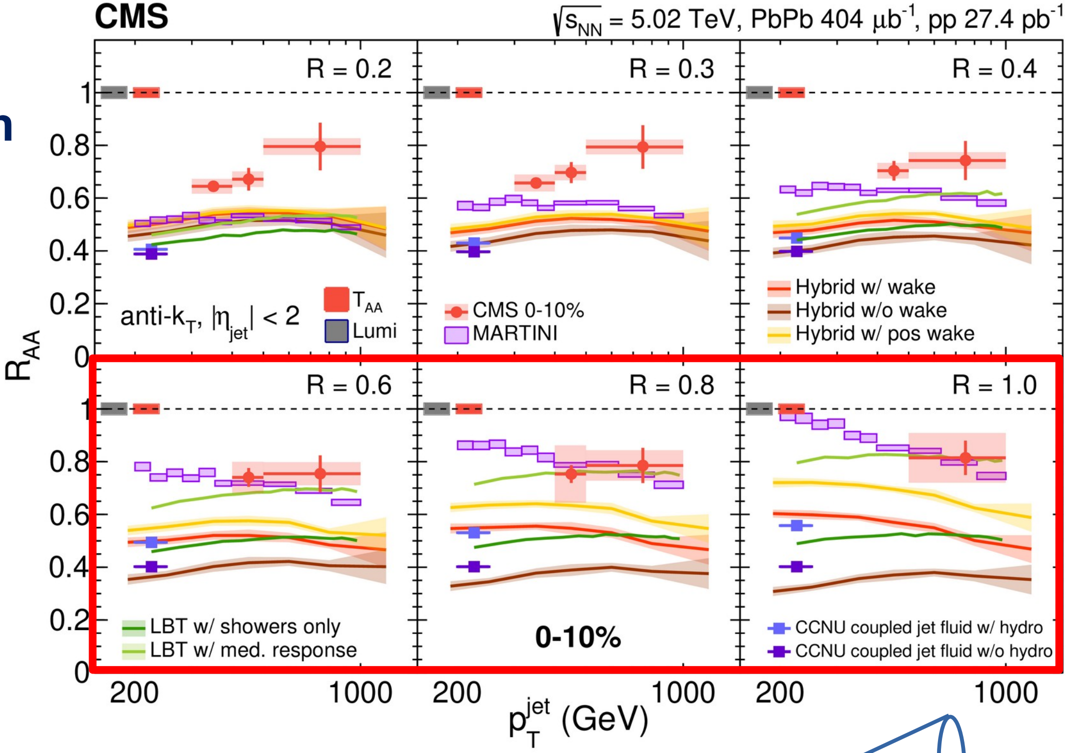

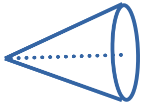

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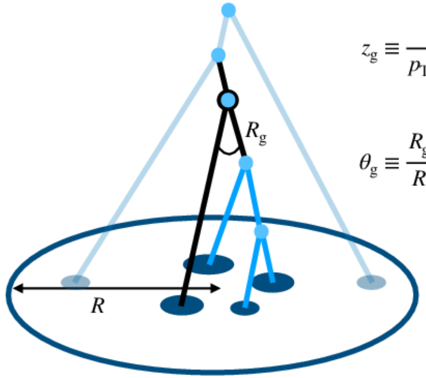

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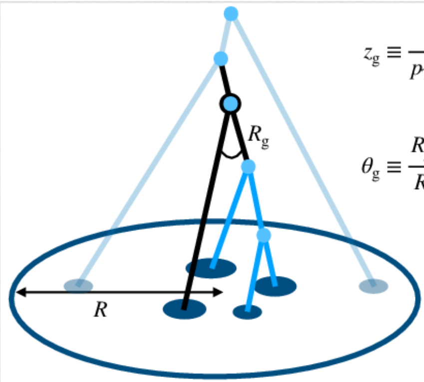

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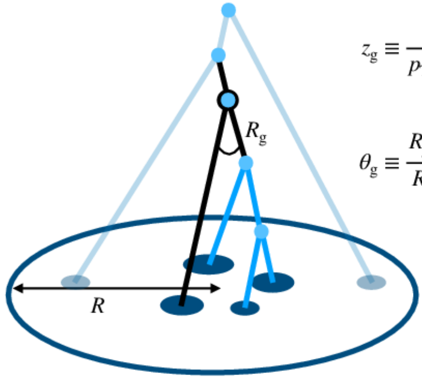

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- **Dynamical grooming**

  Mehtar-Tani et al., PRD 101.034004
  - Recluster the jet with the Cambridge-Aachen algorithm
  - Look for the hardest splitting

$$\kappa^{(a)} = \frac{1}{p_T} \max_{i \in \mathrm{C/A\ seq.}} \left[z_i (1 - z_i) p_{T,i} \left(\frac{\theta_i}{R} \right)^a \right]$$

  - $a = 0.5$ more symmetrical, narrow splitting
  - $a = 1$ splitting with largest $k_T \sim \kappa^{(1)} p_T$
  - $a = 2$ shortest formation time splitting, $t_f^{-1} \sim \kappa^{(2)} p_T$

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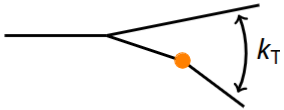

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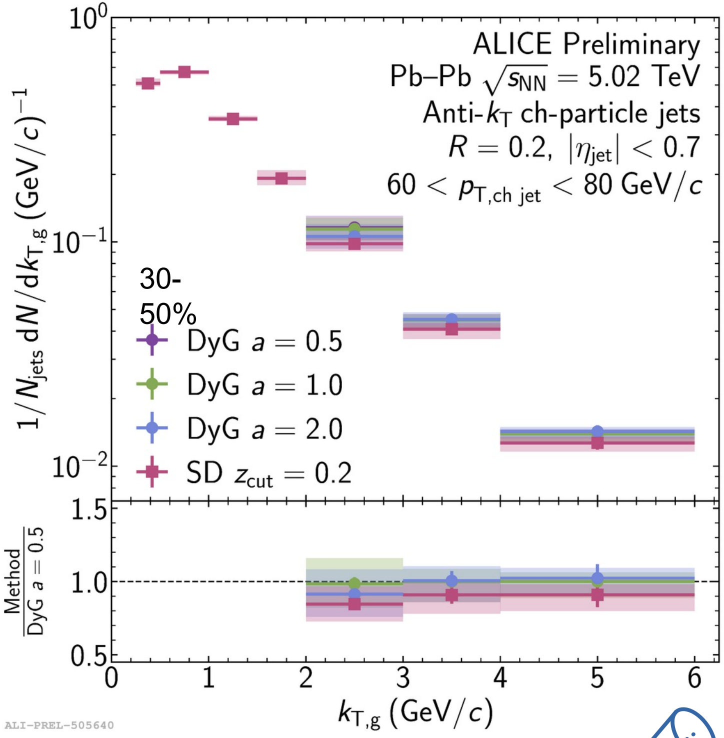

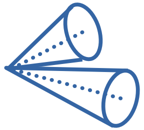

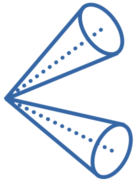

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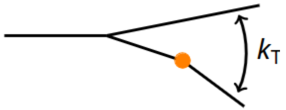

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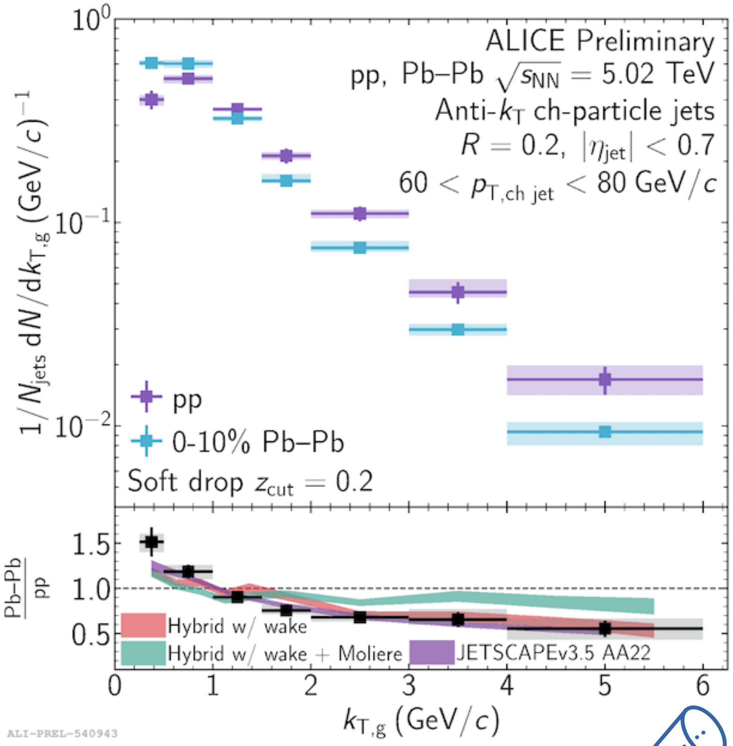

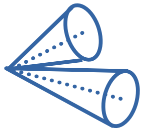

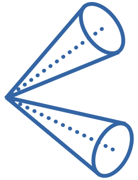

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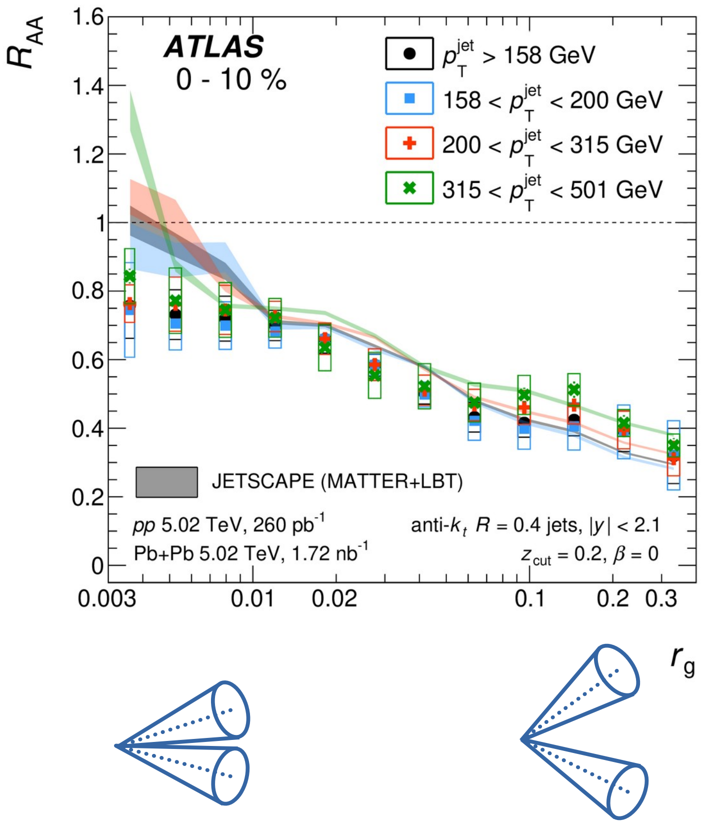

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  - ***p_T-dependence of inclusive jets from change of r_g distribution***
  - qualitatively consistent with jet quenching from coherence

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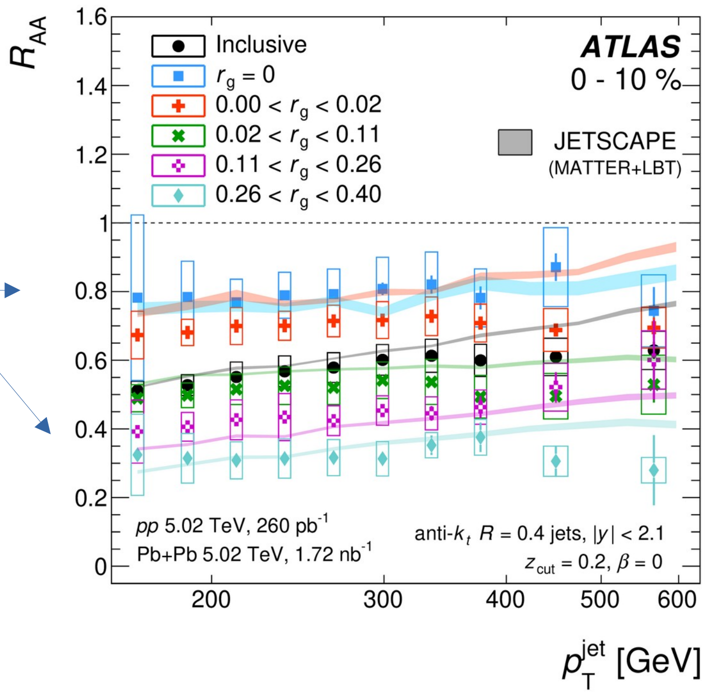
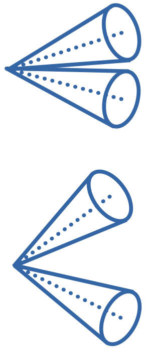
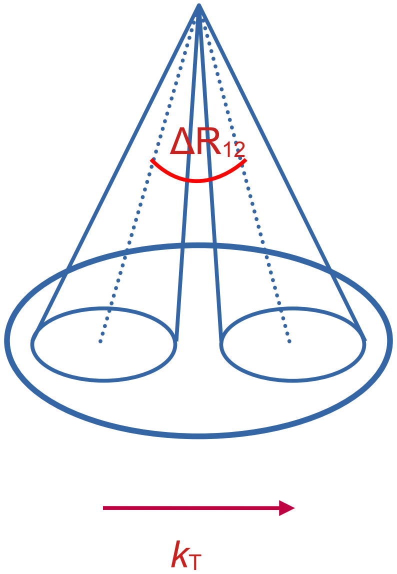




Jet reclustering

- Small-radius (R=0.2) jets are reconstructed with the anti-k_T algorithm
- A p_T^{jet}>35 GeV/c threshold is applied
- The remaining jets are reconstructed into large-radius (R=1.0) jets
- The small-R jets are reclustered using the k_T algorithm to determine angular separation and splitting parameter



$$\Delta R_{12} = \sqrt{\Delta y_{12}^2 + \Delta \phi_{12}^2}$$

$$\sqrt{d_{12}} = \min(p_{T1}, p_{T2}) \times \Delta R_{12} \quad \sim k_T$$

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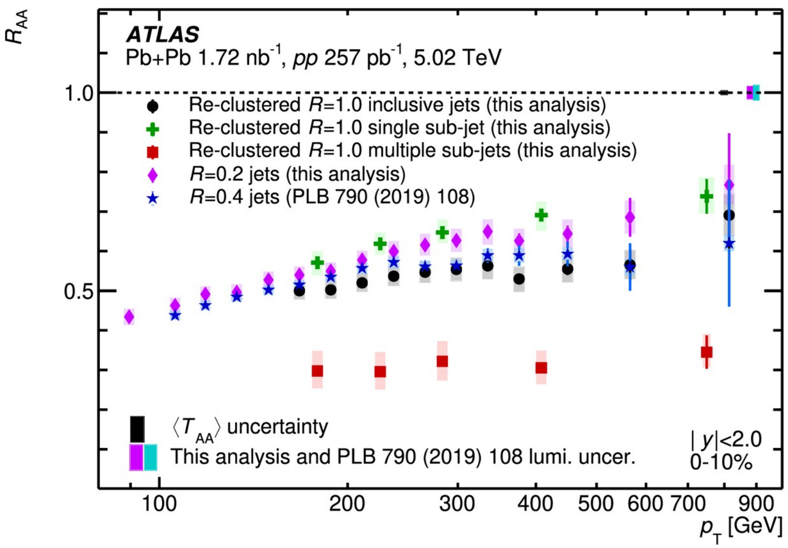

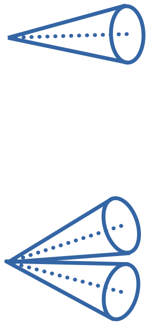

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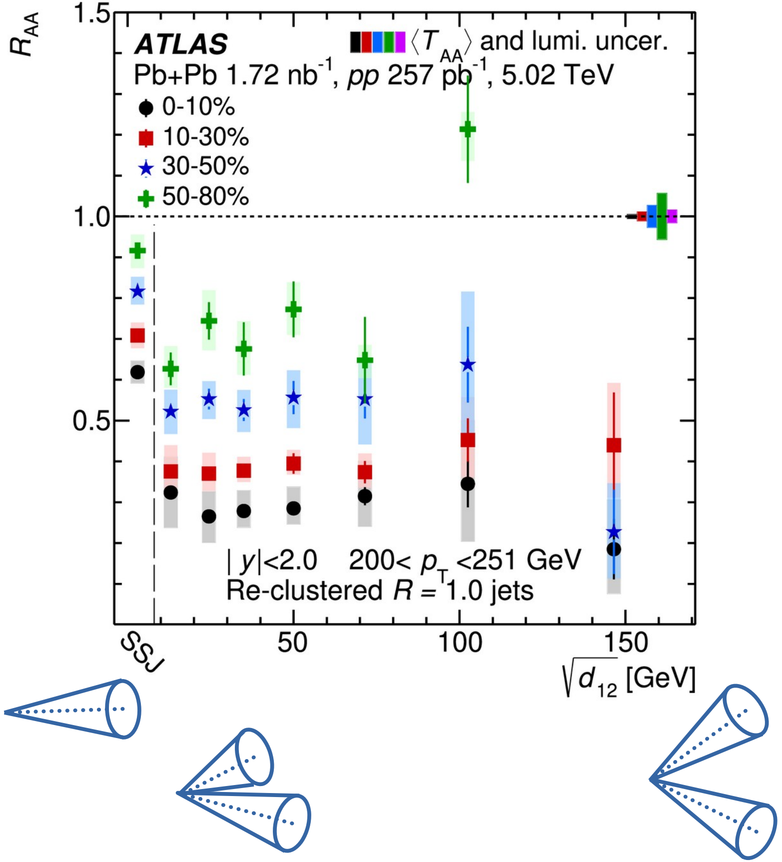
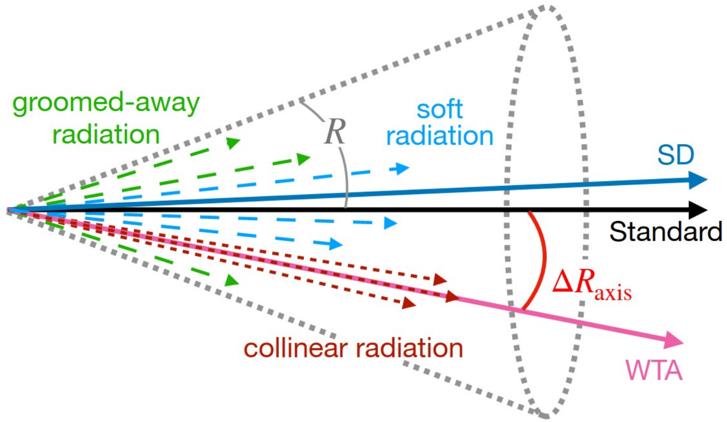


Jet axis differences



$$\Delta R_{\mathrm{axis}} = \sqrt{(y_2 - y_1)^2 + (\varphi_2 - \varphi_1)^2}$$

- **Standard axis**: formed by the sum of pseudo-jet four-momenta in the clusterization with E-scheme
- **Soft-Drop groomed jet axis**: sum of four-momenta of constituents accepted by the SD grooming
- **Winner-takes-all axis**: recluster with CA algorithm, always combine prongs in direction of the stronger one
  => insensitive to soft radiation

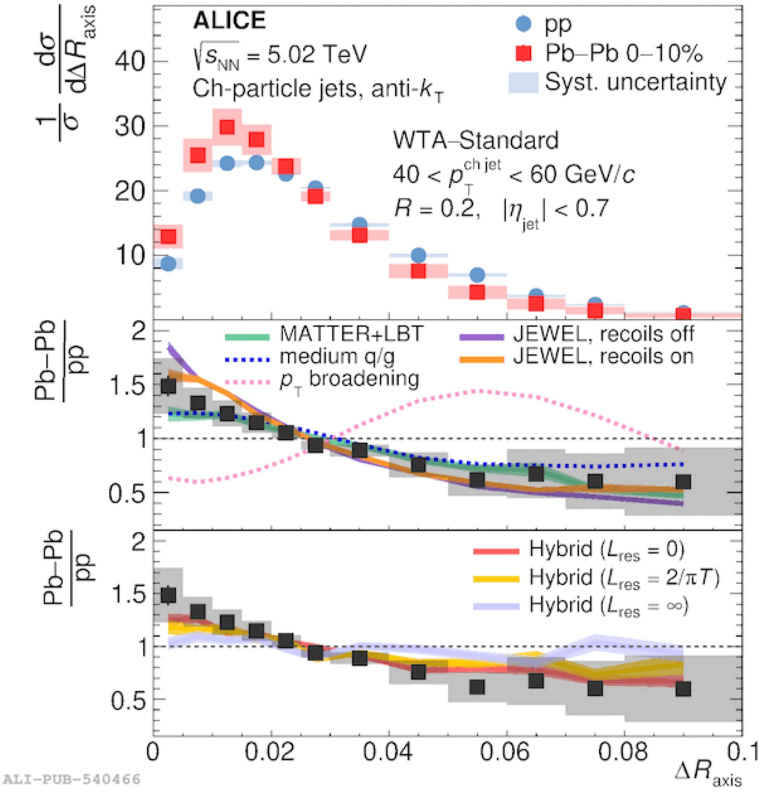
Jet axis difference (ALICE)

- Narrowing in heavy-ion collisions compared to the vacuum

- Sensitivity to medium resolution length: comparison to the Hybrid model
  J. Casalderrey-Solana, JHEP 10 (2014) 019
  - **Measurement favors incoherent energy loss**

- Intra-jet p_T broadening model does not describe data trend

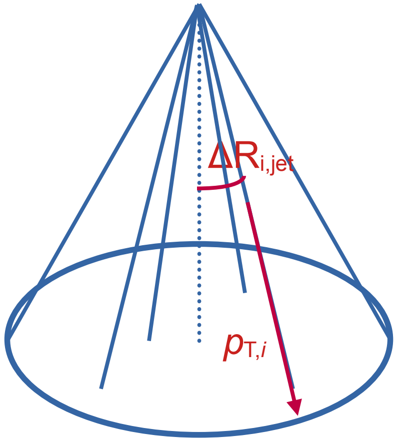
arXiv:2303.13347



Generalized jet angularities and jet mass

- **Angularities:** class of observables that depend on both the longitudinal and angular properties of jet splittings

$$\lambda_\alpha^\kappa = \sum_{i \in \mathrm{jet}} z_i^\kappa \theta_i^\alpha \qquad z_i = \frac{p_{\mathrm{T,i}}}{p_{\mathrm{T,jet}}} \quad \theta_i = \frac{\Delta R_{i,\mathrm{jet}}}{R}$$



- IRC-safe observables for $\kappa = 1$, $\alpha > 0$
  => Theoretically accessible in the vacuum case
- Generalization of existing jet properties with continously tunable parameters
  - Jet girth λ_1^1
  - Jet thrust λ_2^1
  - **Jet mass:** related to jet thrust $\lambda_2^1 = \left(\frac{m}{R p_{\mathrm{T}}}\right)^2 + \mathcal{O}[(\lambda_2^1)^2]$

Kang et al., JHEP 1804 (2018) 110

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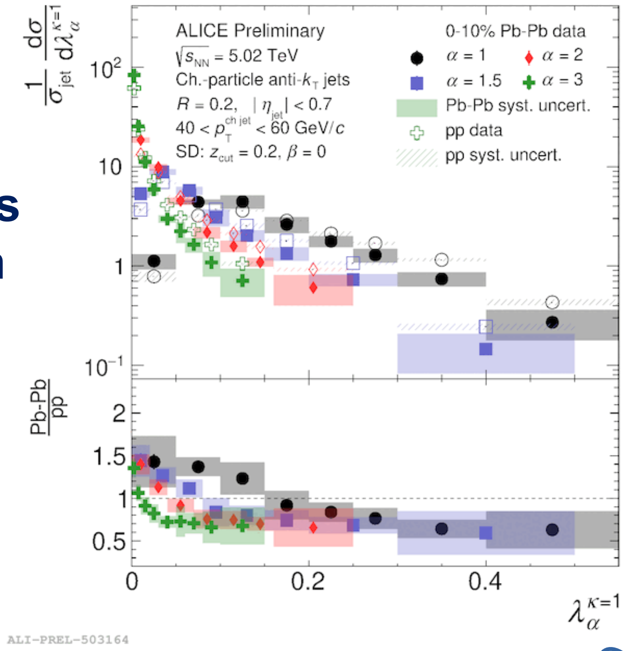
$$\lambda_\alpha^\kappa = \sum_{i \in \text{jet}} z_i^\kappa \theta_i^\alpha$$

- **Groomed and ungroomed generalized jet angularities** reveal effect of soft radiation
- Shift toward lower angularities
  => **Narrowing of jets** for both the groomed and ungroomed case

groomed



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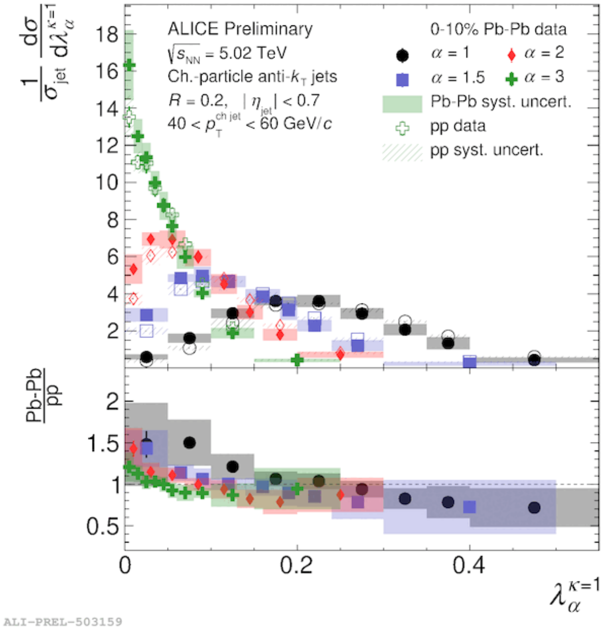
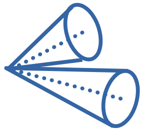
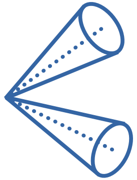
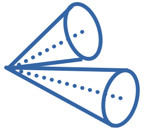
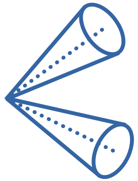








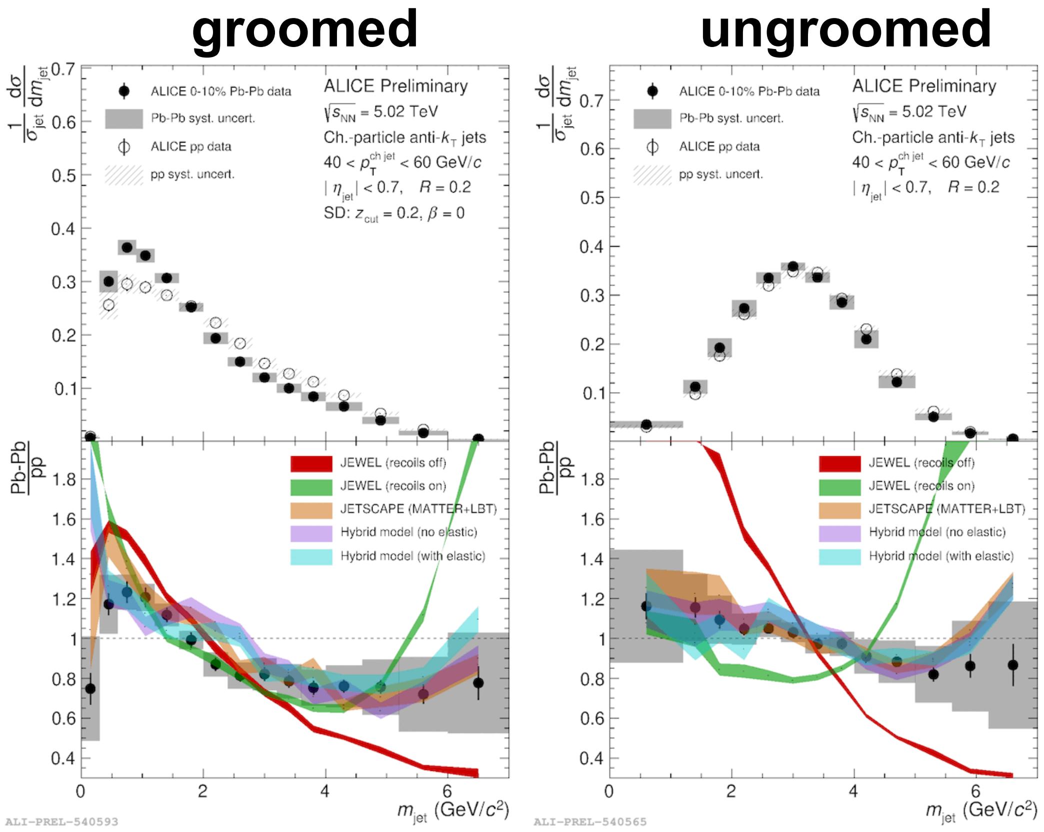


Jet mass (ALICE)

- **Jet mass related to thrust**

$$m_{\text{jet}} \sim z\theta^2$$

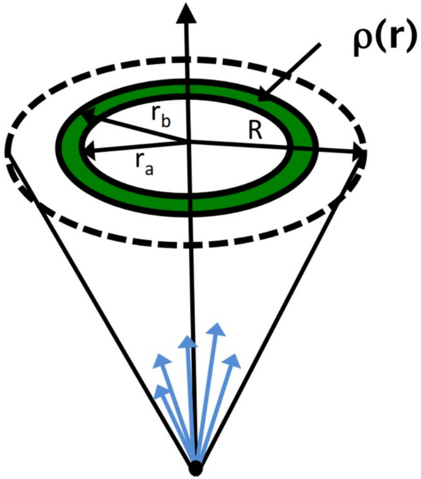
- Shift towards lower masses
=> **Narrowing of jets**
  - Several models describe jet quenching
- **Grooming enhances sensitivity to modification of jet fragmentation**
  - Modification of the jet core?



Jet shapes

- Jets clustered with anti-k_T using the E-scheme
- Axis calculated using WTA algorithm
- Jet shapes defined as

$$\rho(\Delta r) = \frac{1}{\delta r} \frac{1}{N_{\mathrm{jets}}} \frac{\sum_{\mathrm{jets}} \sum_{\mathrm{tracks} \in (\mathrm{r_a}, \mathrm{r_b})} p_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{ch}}}{\sum_{\mathrm{jets}} \sum_{\mathrm{tracks} \in \mathrm{r} \leq 1} p_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{ch}}}$$



CMS, JHEP 06 (2012) 160

- **Complementary information to groomed substructure** measurements
- Sensitive to soft radiation, background needs to be under control

Dijet shapes (CMS)

- Back-to-back dijet shapes

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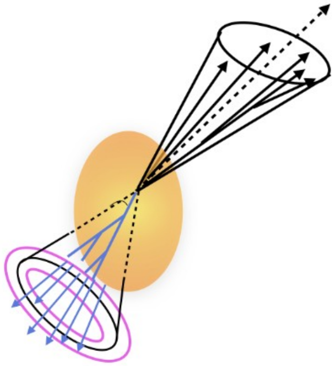

- in terms of momentum imbalance

$$x_j = p_T^{\text{subleading}} / p_T^{\text{leading}}$$

- Leading jets:
  - **redistribution of energy from small angles** w.r.t. the jet axis **to larger angles**
  - Stronger for balanced jets => path length dependence

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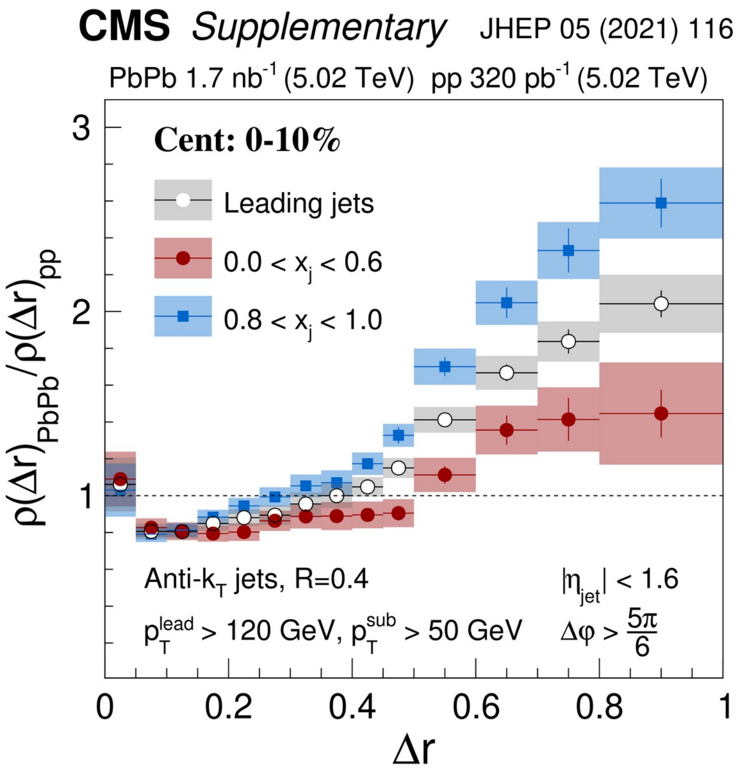

b-jet shapes (CMS)

- First study of jet shapes in HI collisions

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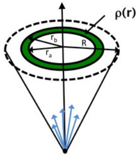

- Low-Δr depletion of b-jets
- **=> consistent with a dead-cone**

- High-Δr enhancement of b-jet shapes compared to inclusive jets, stronger in HI than in pp collisions
- **=> increased medium response to the propagation of a heavier quark**

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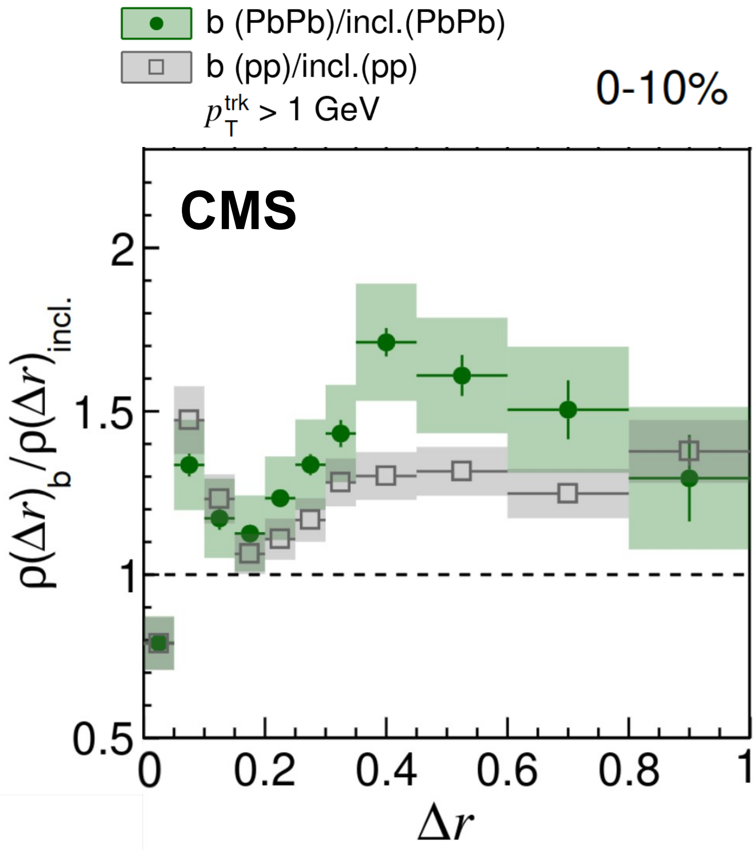

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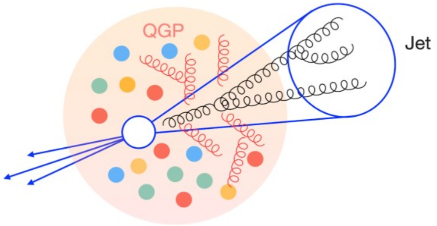

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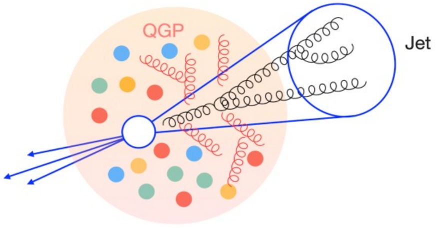

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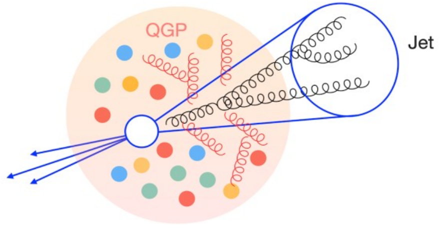

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- **Increased sensitivity and new observables with the advent of Run 3**
  - Energy-energy correlators, photon-tagged systems, v_2 with substructure etc...
  - Extended heavy-flavor measurements

Thank you!

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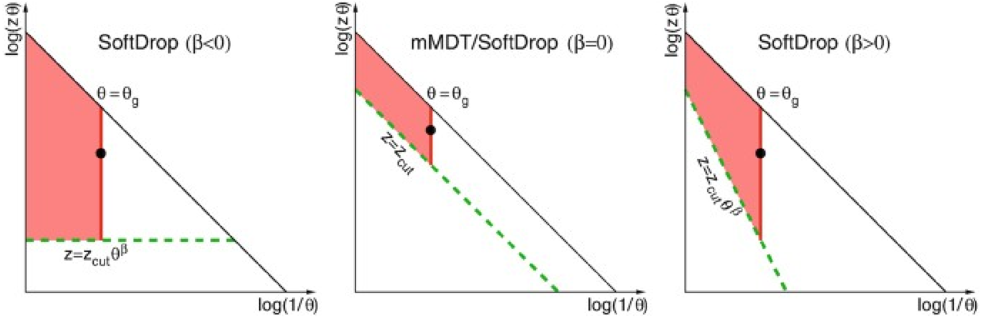
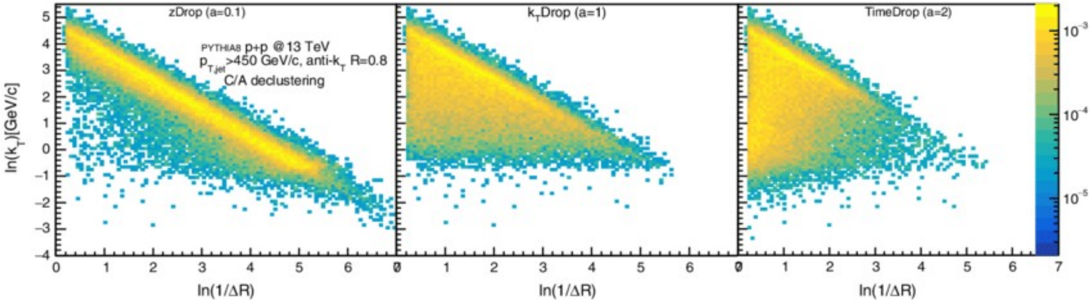
$$z > z_{\text{cut}}\theta^{\beta}$$

$$z = \frac{p_{\text{T},2}}{p_{\text{T},1} + p_{\text{T},2}} \qquad \theta = \frac{\Delta R_{12}}{R}$$



- **Dynamical grooming**

$$\kappa^{(a)} = \frac{1}{p_{\text{T}}} \max_{i \in \text{C/A seq.}} \left[z_i (1 - z_i) p_{\text{T},i} \left(\frac{\theta_i}{R} \right)^a \right]$$



Reclustered large-radius jets (ATLAS)

- Reclustered R=1 jets are slightly more suppressed than smaller-radii inclusive jets
- **Significant difference in the quenching of large-radius jets having single sub-jet and those with more complex substructure**
- No pronunced dependence on ΔR_{12} separation
- => supports **decoherence beyond a critical splitting angle**

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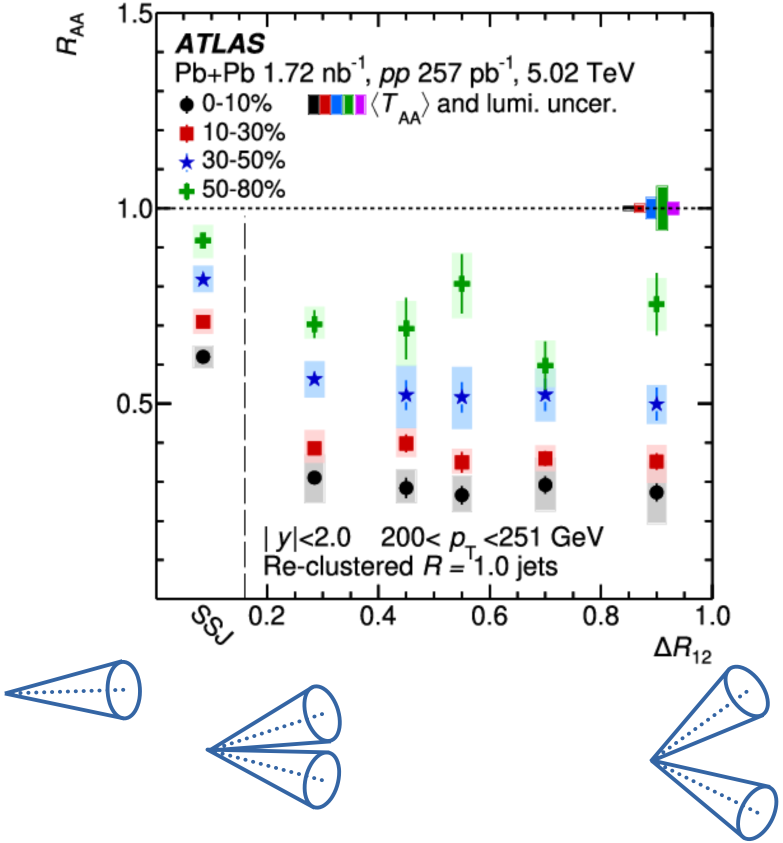
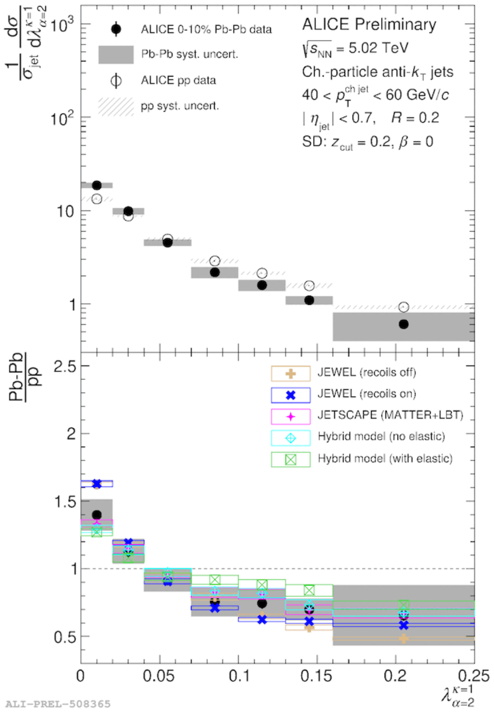


Generalized jet angularities α=2 (ALICE)

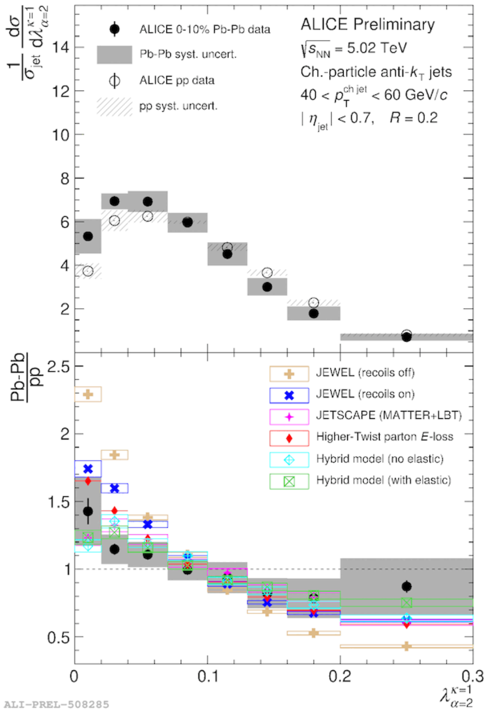
$$\lambda_{\alpha}^{\kappa} = \sum_{i \in \text{jet}} z_i^{\kappa} \theta_i^{\alpha}$$

- **Groomed and ungroomed generalized jet angularities** reveal effect of soft radiation
- Shift toward lower angularities
  => **Narrowing of jets** for both the groomed and ungroomed case

groomed



ungroomed



Dijet shapes (CMS)

- Back-to-back dijet shapes

$$\rho(\Delta r) = \frac{1}{\delta r}\frac{1}{N_{\text{jets}}}\frac{\sum_{\text{jets}}\sum_{\text{tracks}\in(r_a,r_b)} p_T^{ch}}{\sum_{\text{jets}}\sum_{\text{tracks}\in r\leq 1} p_T^{ch}}$$

- in terms of momentum imbalance
  $x_j = p_T^{subleading} / p_T^{leading}$
- Subleading jets
  - redistribution of energy from small angles w.r.t. the jet axis to larger angles
  - In unbalanced jets, fragmentation pattern consistent with a third jet