

Jets in Pb-Pb collisions at ALICE

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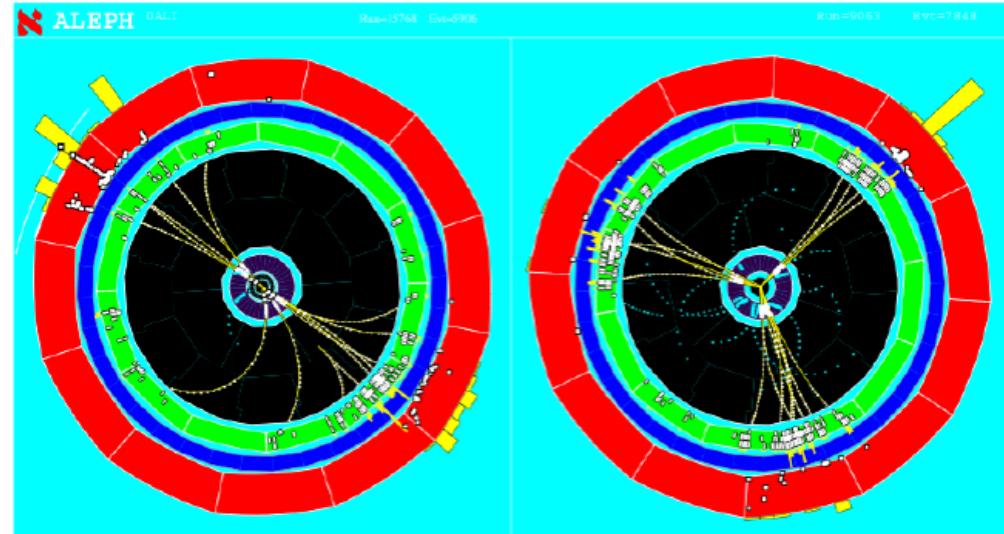
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Introduction

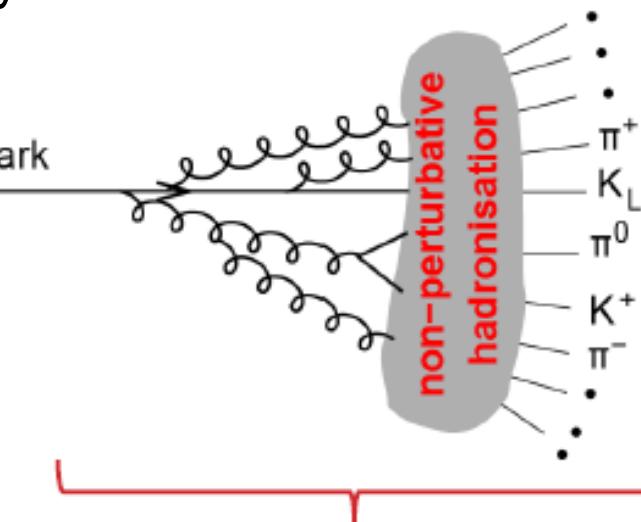
Partons in heavy-ion collisions

- hard partons are produced early and traverse the hot and dense QGP
- expect enhanced parton energy loss, (mostly) due to medium-induced gluon radiation: ‘jet quenching’
- jet: ‘collimated bunch of hadrons’
- the best available experimental equivalent to quarks and gluons
- ‘vacuum’ expectation calculable by pQCD: ‘calibrated probe of QGP’



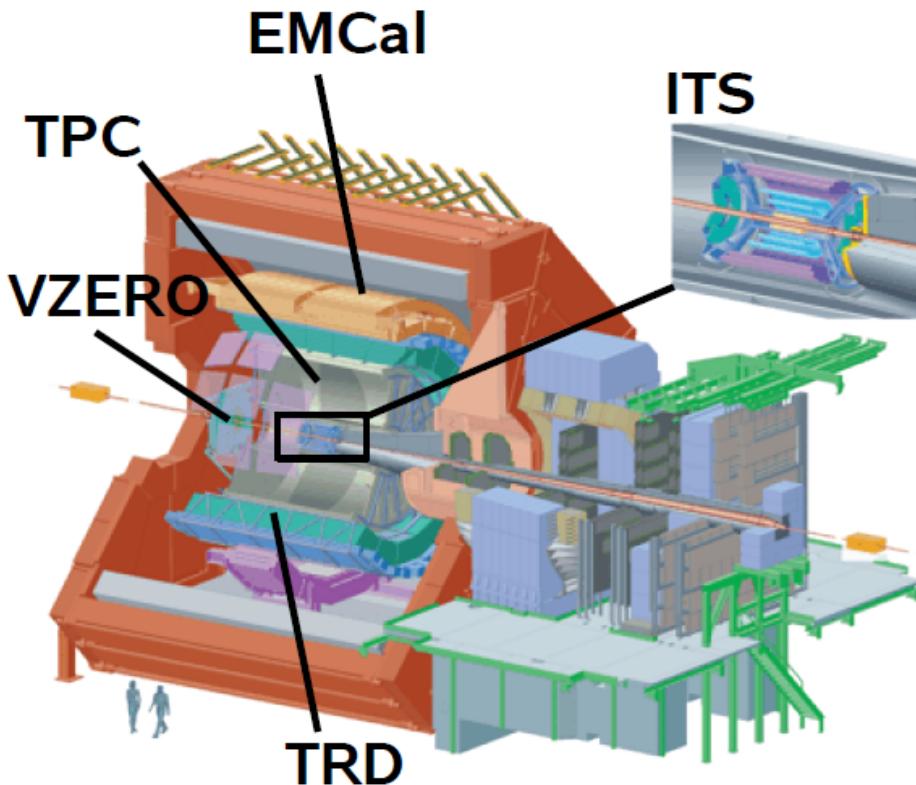
Parton fragmentation

- initial hard scattering: high- p_T partons with high virtuality
- virtuality evolution through parton shower
- hadronisation at a scale ($\mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}})$)
- jets probe the medium at a variety of scales and are sensitive to its properties
(energy density, \hat{q} , mean free path, coupling ...)



Fragmentation = Parton shower + hadronization

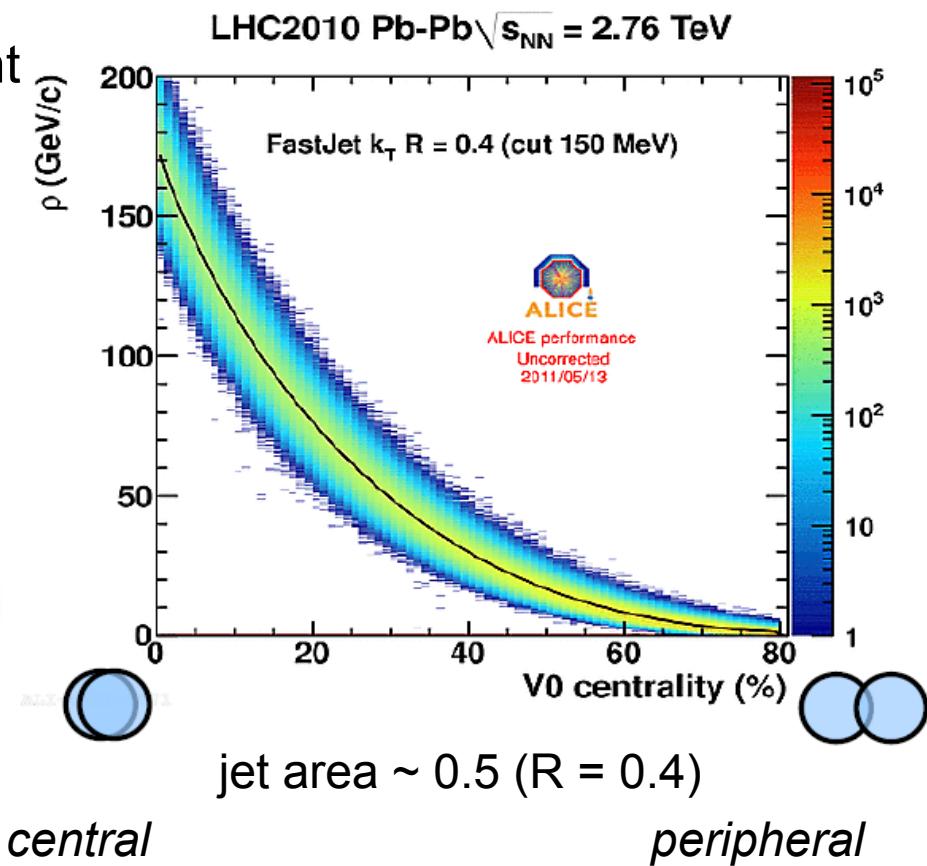
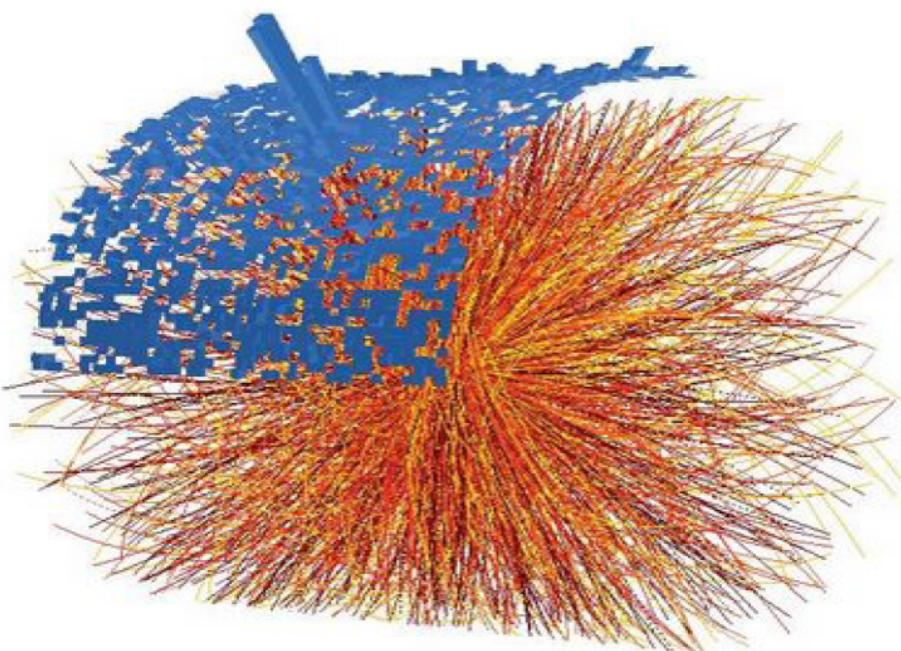
Jets at ALICE (LHC run 1)



- full jets: assess full parton energy
- charged (tracking) jets:
 - full azimuthal coverage
 - measures parton energy deposited into charged fragments
 - good definition of jet axis: well suited for fragmentation, jet structure, PID ...

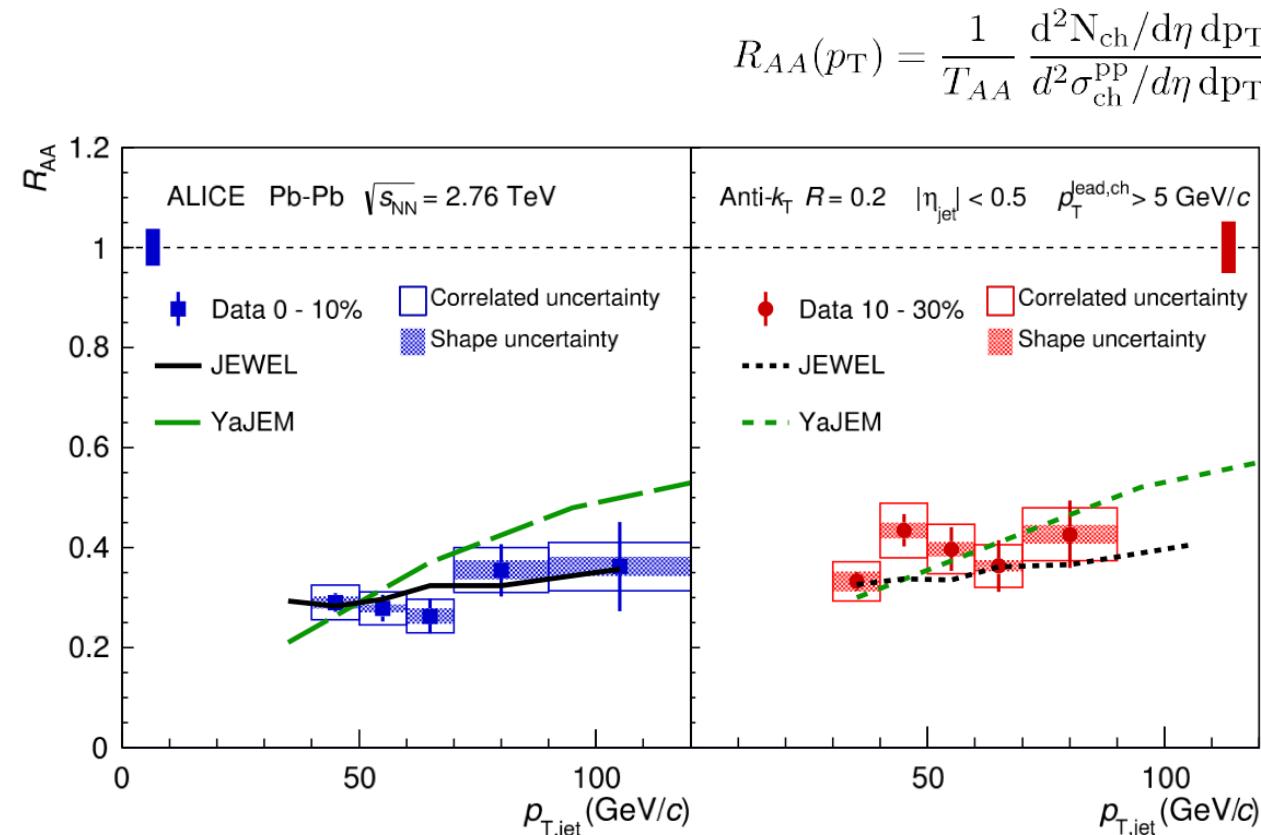
Underlying event in heavy-ion collisions

- jet reconstruction in heavy-ion collisions :
high underlying event background
not related to hard scattering
- background is dominant at low jet and constituent p_T
- background fluctuations are important



Jet nuclear modification factor

- strong suppression,
similar to hadron RAA
→ parton energy not
recovered inside jet
cone
- increase of suppression
with centrality,
weak p_T dependence
- JEWEL:
 - microscopic pQCD
parton shower + gluon
induced emissions
- YaJEM:
 - detailed fireball model
 - parameterisation of radiative and collisional
energy loss
- different models reproduce observed jet suppression
→ study jet quenching through more differential measurements



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JEWEL: PLB 735 (2014)

YaJEM: PRC 88 (2013) 014905

Jet Shapes

Jet shapes

- radial moment ‘girth’ g , longitudinal dispersion $p_T D$, difference leading - subleading p_T LeSub

$$g = \sum_{i \in \text{jet}} \frac{p_T^i}{p_T^{\text{jet}}} |r_i|$$

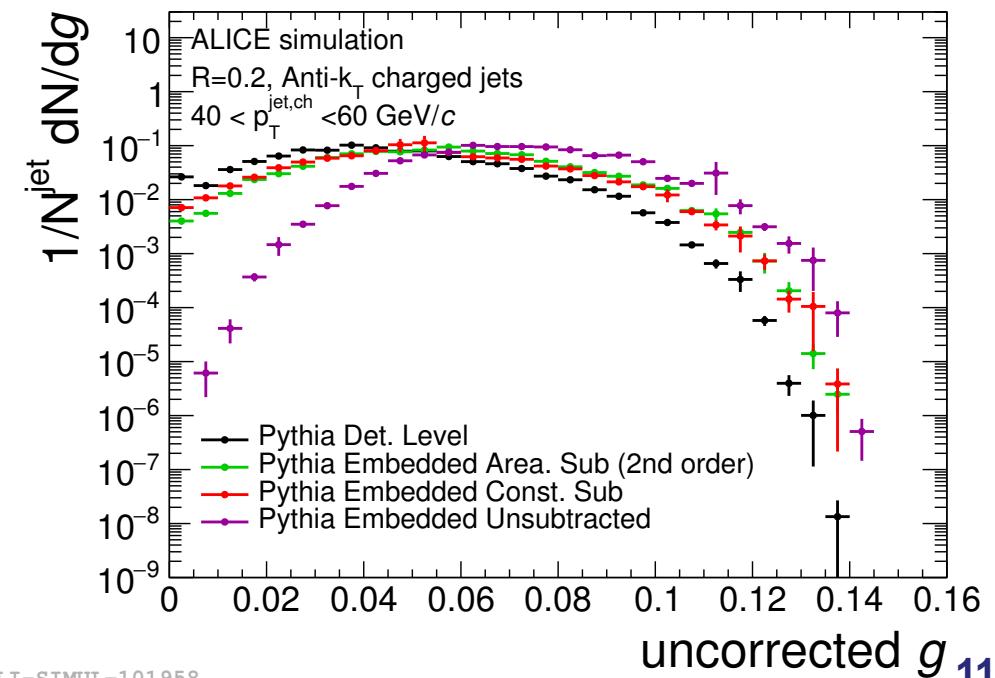
$$p_T D = \frac{\sqrt{\sum_i p_{T,i}^2}}{\sum_i p_{T,i}}$$

- shapes in Pb-Pb as probe of quenching of low- p_T jets:
characterise fragment distributions and are sensitive to medium induced changes of intra-jet momentum flow
- ‘event-by-event’ measure, sensitive to fluctuations

$$\text{LeSub} = p_T^{\text{lead,track}} - p_T^{\text{sublead,track}}$$

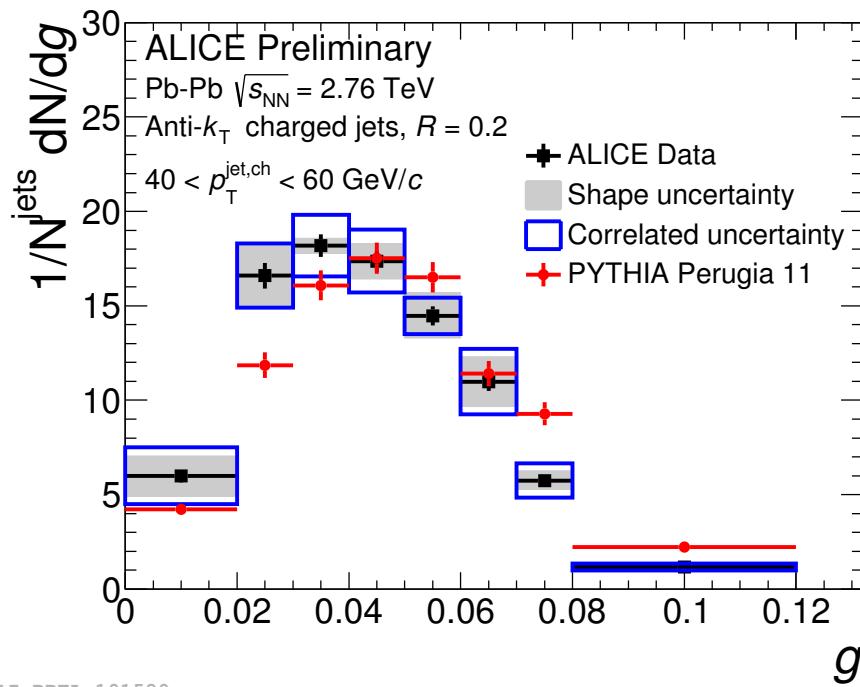
Analysis details

- charged jets from charged particle tracks, $p_T^{\text{const}} > 150 \text{ MeV}/c$ in pp MinB at 7 TeV and Pb-Pb 10% central at 2.76 TeV
- $R=0.2$, $40 < p_T^{\text{jet}} < 60 \text{ GeV}/c$, no leading constituent cut
- novel background subtraction methods (Pb-Pb)
 - area subtraction (*G. Soyez et al, Phys. Rev. Lett 110 (2013) 16*)
 - constituent subtraction (*P. Berta et al, JHEP 1406 (2014) 092*)
- 2D unfolding to correct for background fluctuations and detector effects



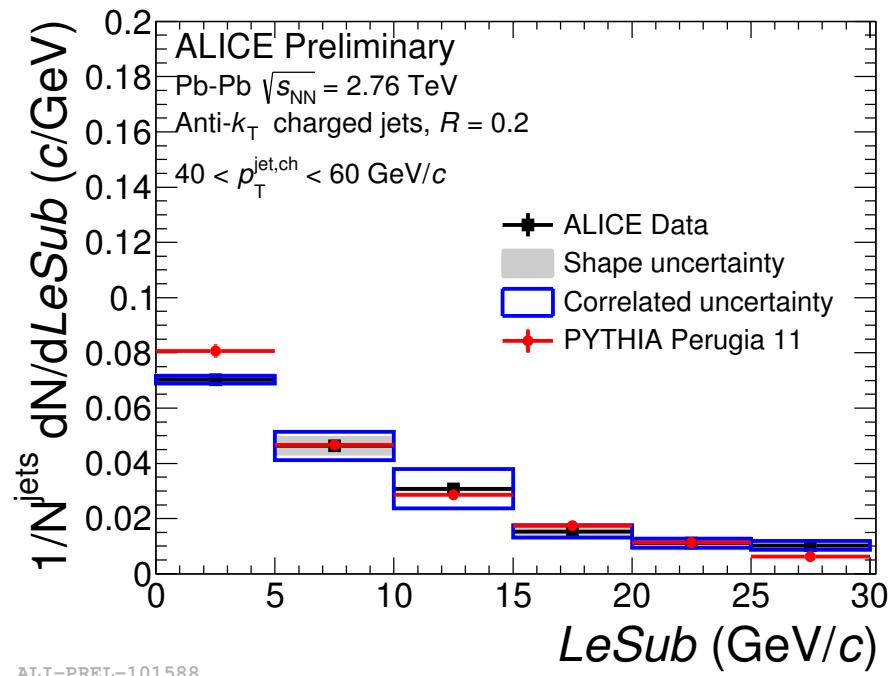
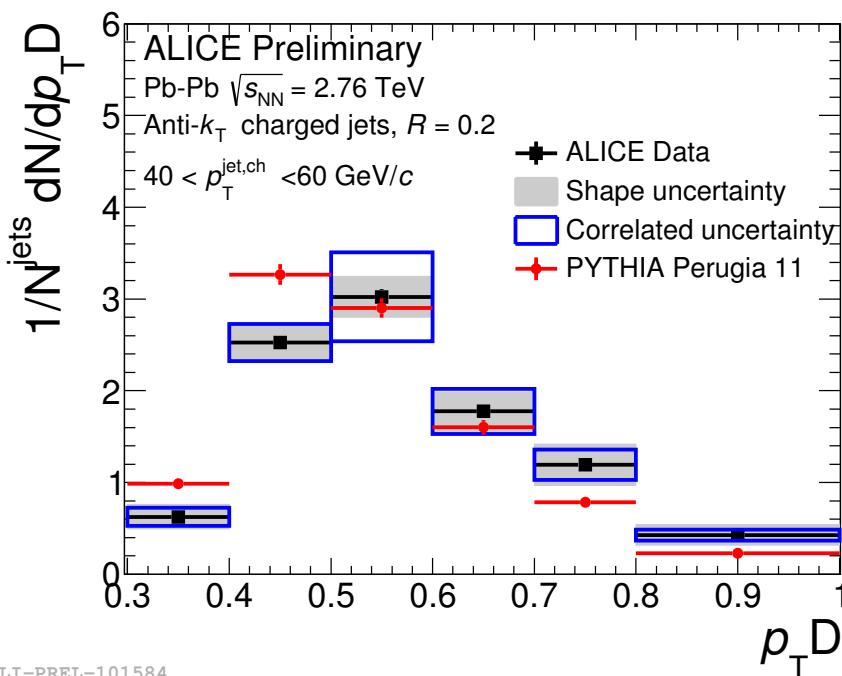
Jet shapes in Pb-Pb

- fully corrected to charged particle level
- compare to PYTHIA reference, validated with results from pp collisions at 7 TeV
- g shifted to smaller values → indicates more collimated jet core



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- larger $p_T D$ in Pb-Pb compared to PYTHIA
→ indicates fewer constituents in quenched jets
- LeSub in Pb-Pb in good agreement with Pb-Pb:
→ hardest splittings likely unaffected

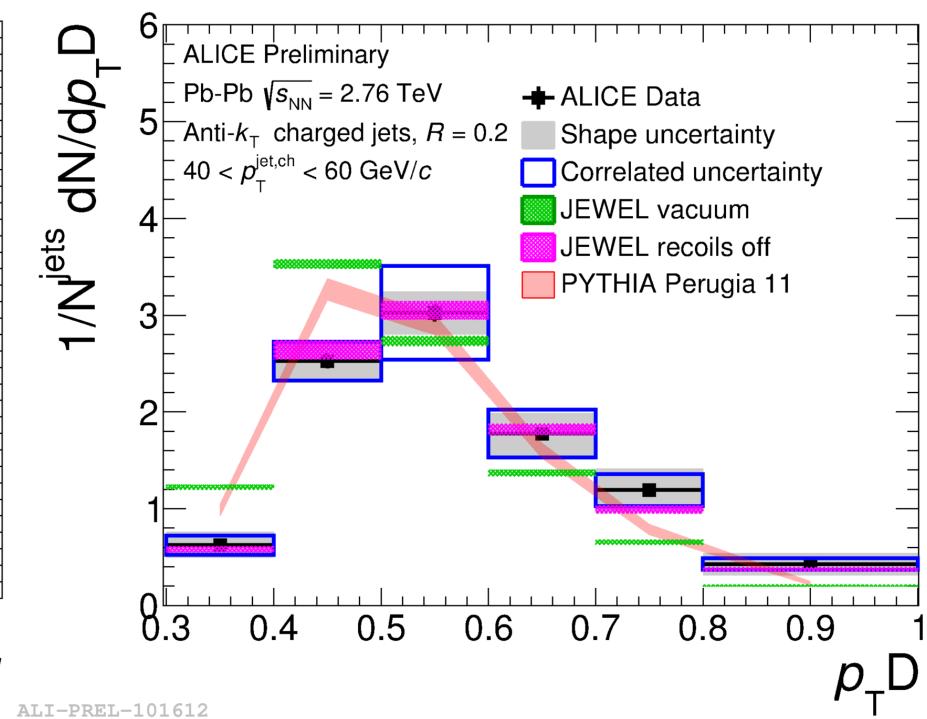
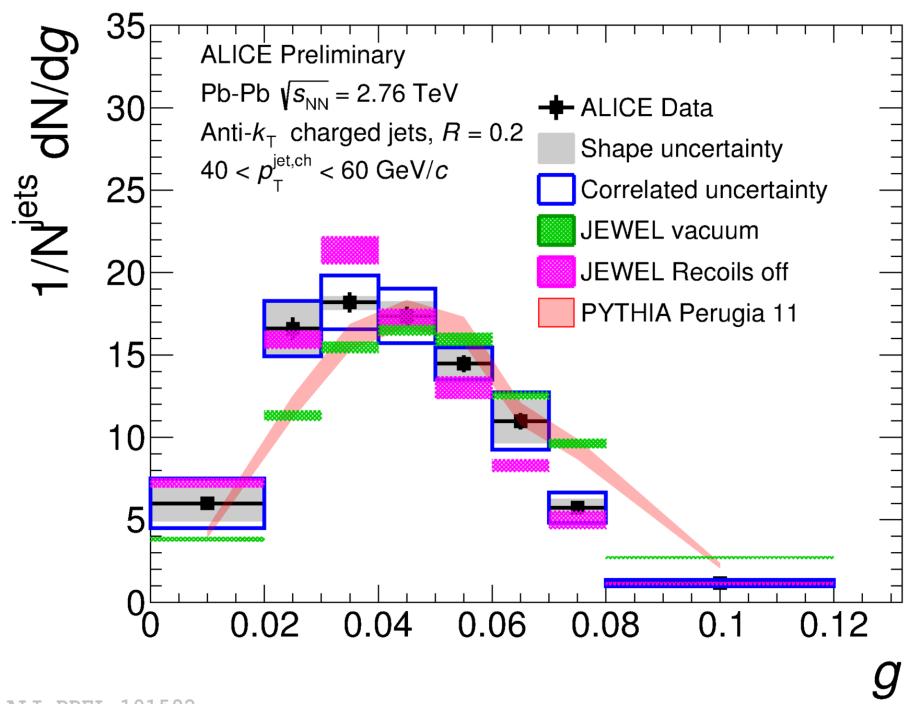


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Jet shapes: model comparison

- trends reproduced by JEWEL jet quenching model:
collimation through emission of soft particles at large angles

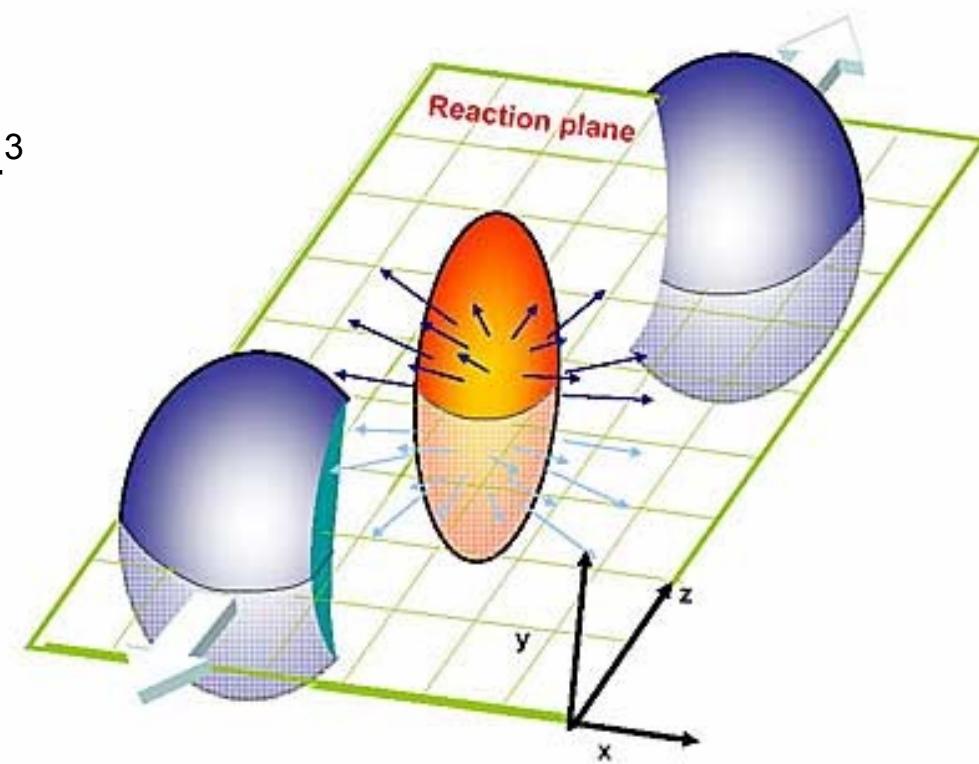


JEWEL: K.C. Zapp, F. Kraus, U.A. Wiedemann, *JHEP* 1303 (2013) 080

Jet azimuthal anisotropy

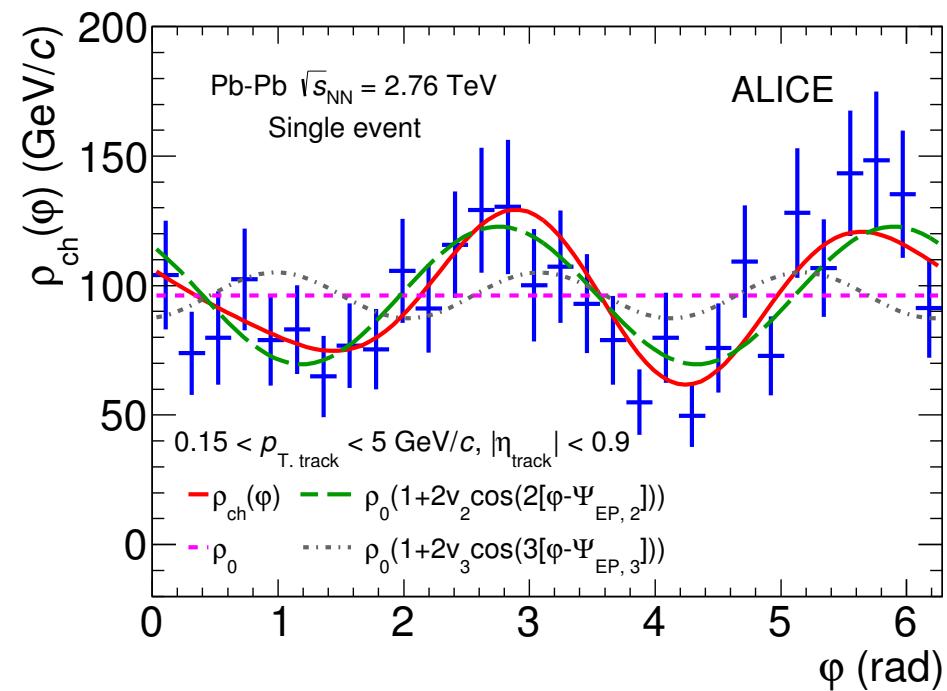
Reaction plane dependence

- different medium thickness in- and out-of plane
- sensitive to path length dependence of jet quenching:
pQCD radiative E-loss : $\sim L^2$
collisional E-loss : $\sim L$
strong coupling (ADS/CFT) : $\sim L^3$



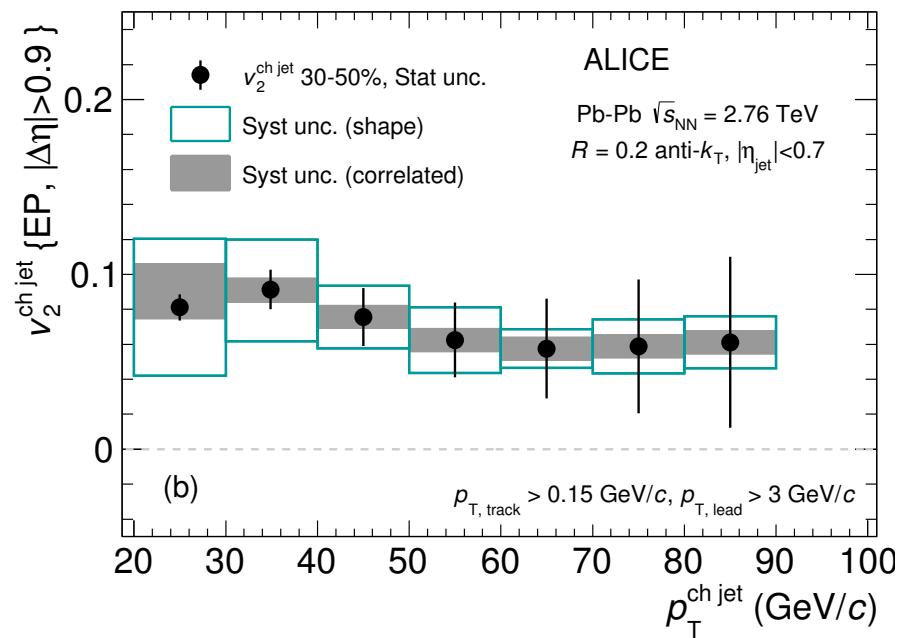
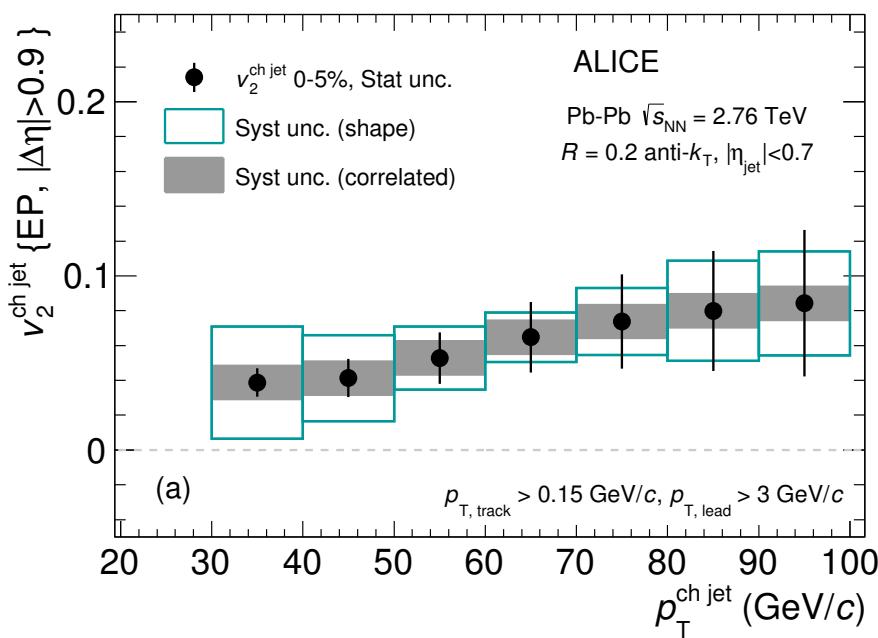
Analysis details

- charged jets, $R = 0.2$
- account for flow-modulation of background via event-by-event fit and subtraction of local background density
- unfolding to account for background fluctuations : separately for spectra in- and out-of-plane



Jet v_2 : results

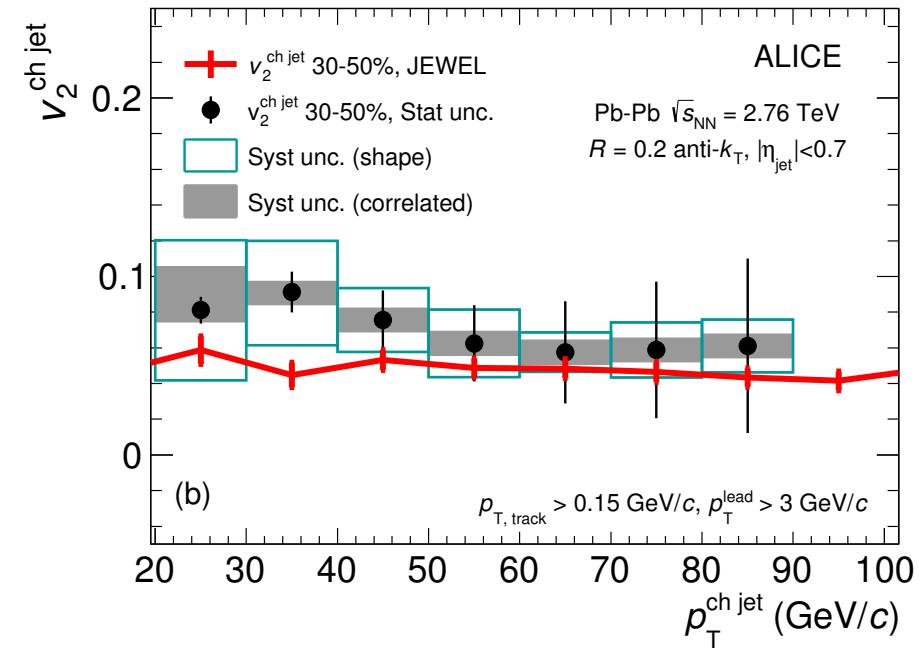
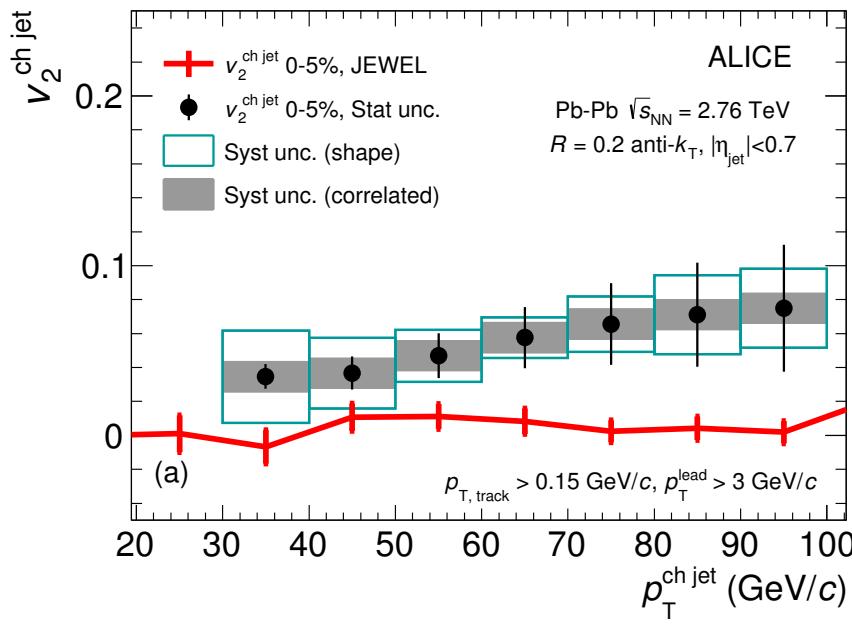
- quantify azimuthal asymmetry via 2nd Fourier harmonic $v_2^{\text{ch jet}}$
- central collisions: 1.5 - 2 sigma from $v_2^{\text{ch jet}} = 0$
 → consistent with 0, but maybe hint for effect of initial density fluctuations ?
- non-zero $v_2^{\text{ch jet}}$ in semi-central collisions



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Comparison to JEWEL

- good agreement with JEWEL in semi-central collisions
- clear indication of path-length dependence of energy loss



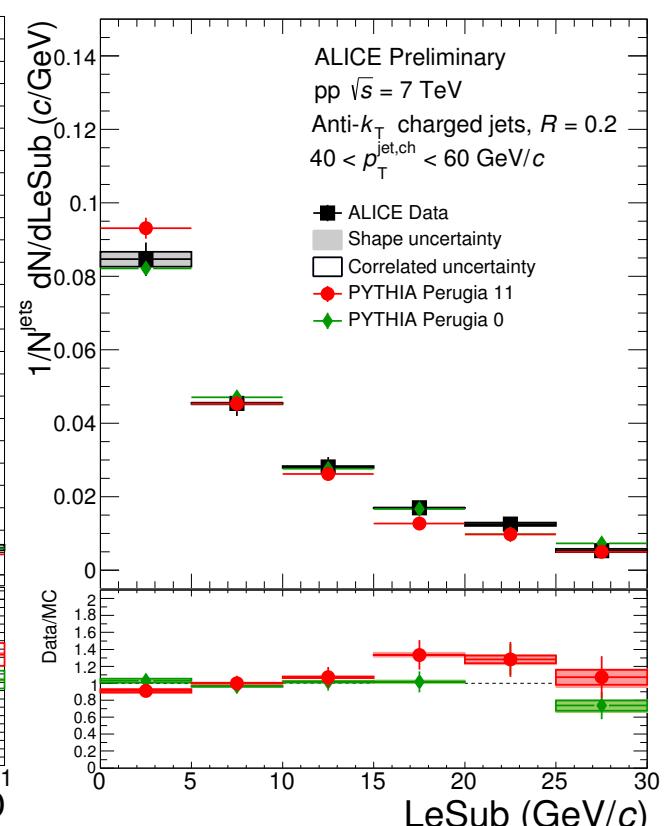
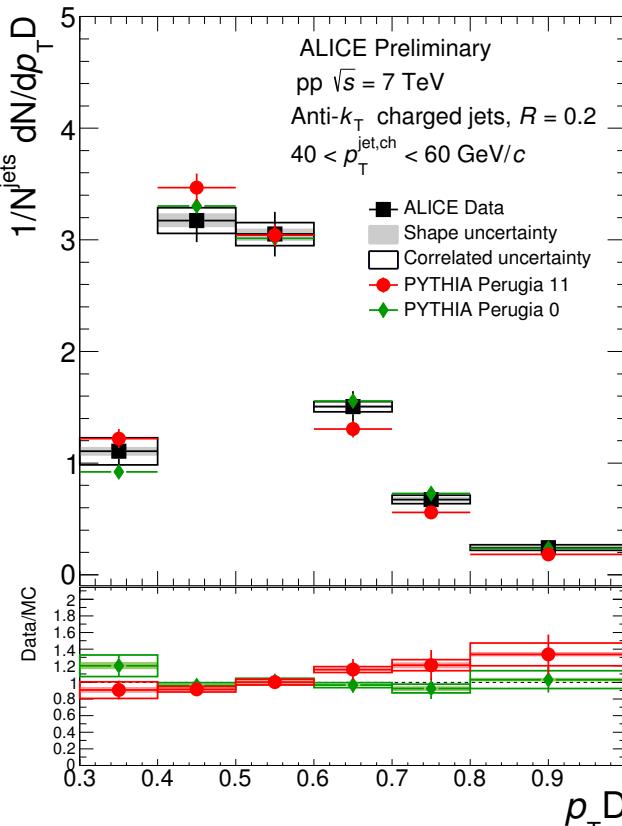
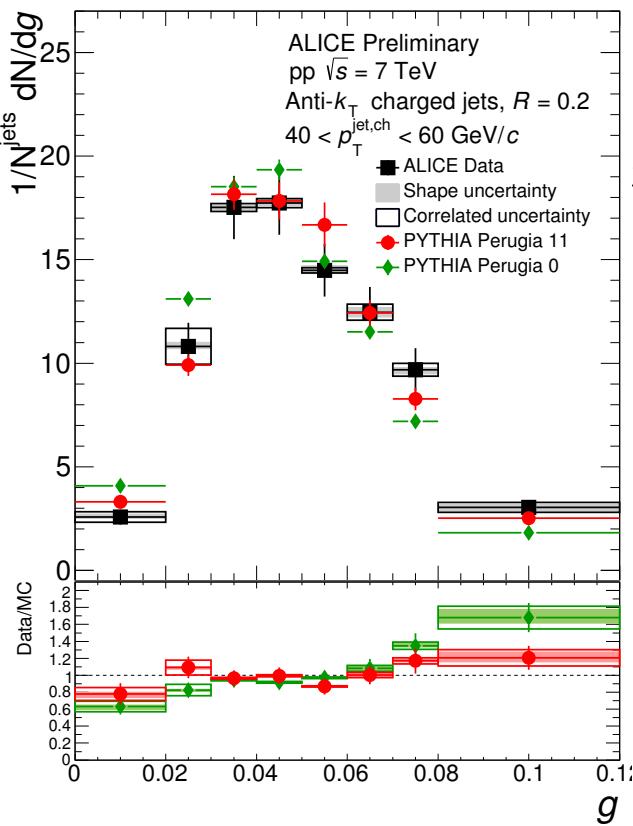
Summary

- measurement of jet shapes
 - characterise modifications of intra-jet momentum flow by QGP
 - results indicate that jet cores in Pb-Pb are narrower and harder and have fewer constituents than PYTHIA pp reference
 - results described by quenching models like JEWEL
- jet azimuthal anisotropy
 - significant $v_2^{\text{ch jet}}$ in semi-central collisions consistent with path-length dependence of energy loss
 - good agreement with JEWEL (semi-central)

- Backup -

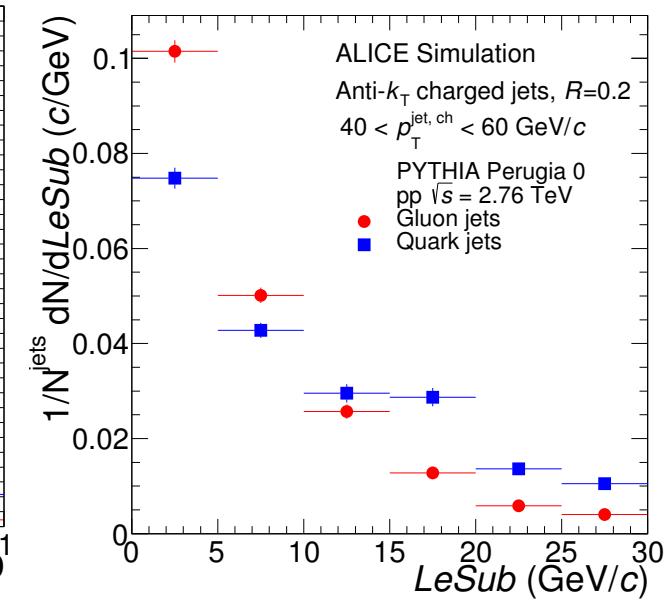
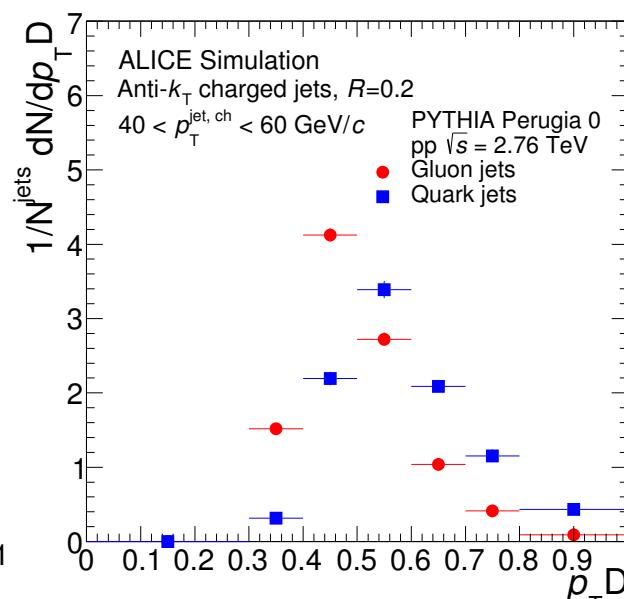
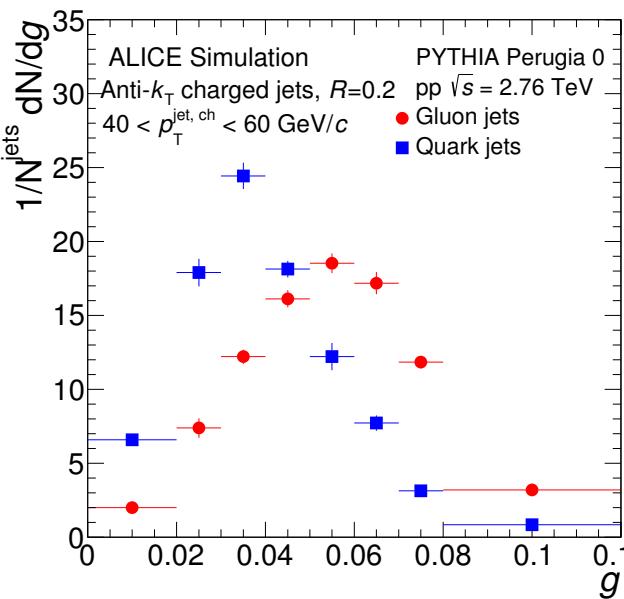
Jet shapes in pp

- fully corrected to charged particle level
- fair agreement with PYTHIA simulations:
validates PYTHIA as reference for Pb-Pb



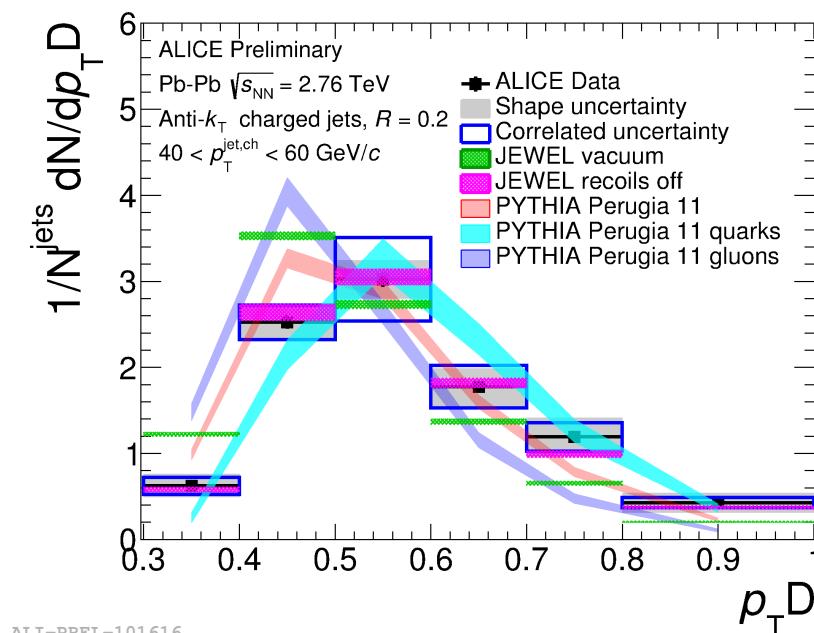
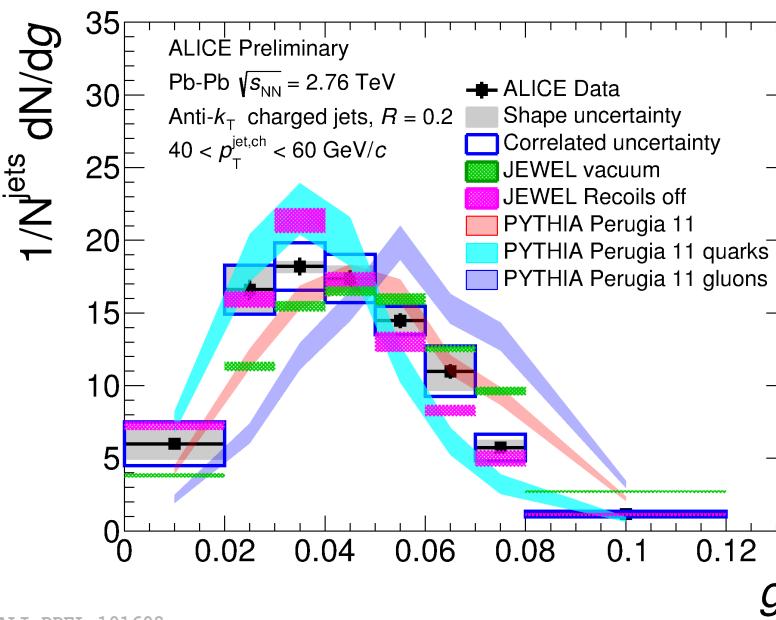
Jet shapes as quenching signatures

- compare quarks and gluons: gluon jets broader and softer
- g is p_T weighted width of the jet:
 - broadening (collimation) \rightarrow enhanced (reduced) g
- $p_T D$ measures p_T dispersion:
 - less constituents / ‘more democratic’ splitting \rightarrow reduced $p_T D$
- LeSub characterises hardest splitting, insensitive against background



Qualitative discussion

- characterise degree of dispersion and broadening in terms of ‘quark-like’ and ‘gluon-like’
- observed effects favour ‘quark-like’ scenario
- quenching mechanism or change of quark/gluon composition
caveat: jet p_T not equal parton p_T

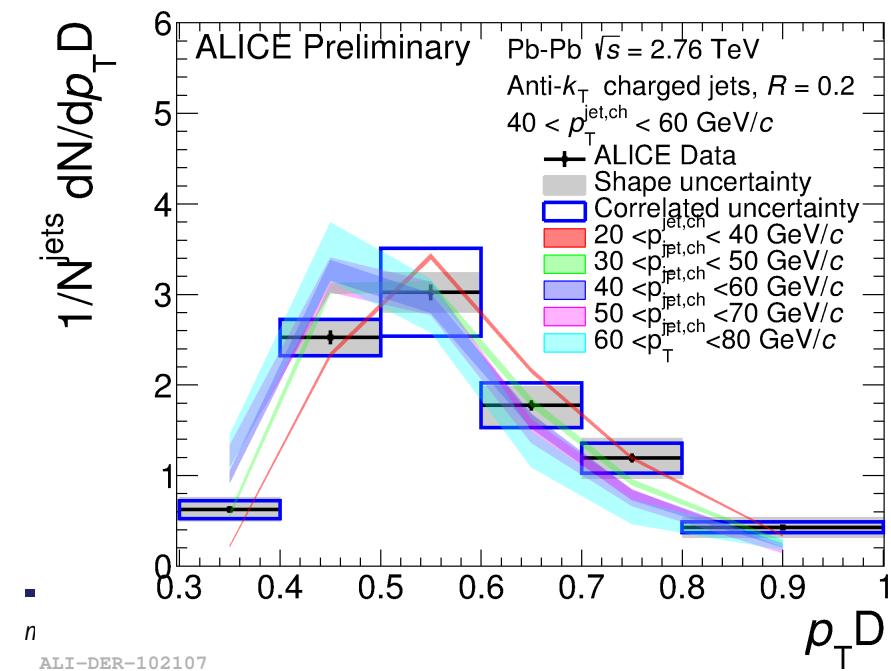
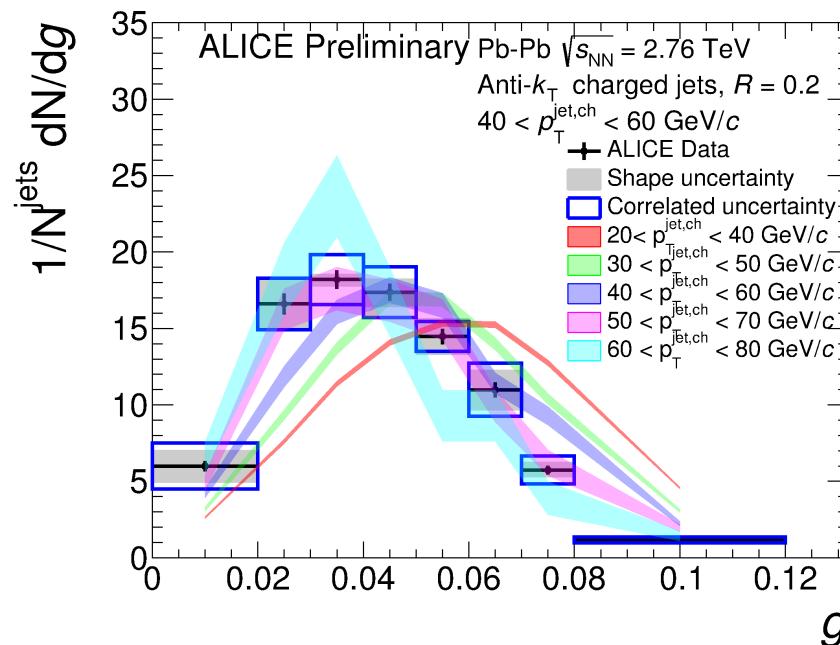


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Qualitiative discussion II

- jet quenching = jet p_T shift + vacuum fragmentation?
- if yes, would expect shapes to agree with vacuum shapes from higher p_T jets
- g agrees qualitatively with this picture, however $p_T D$ does not



Comparison to previous results

- ALICE + CMS single particles, ATLAS full jets : different energy scales !
- non-zero v2 up to high p_T

CMS, PRL 109 (2012) 022
ATLAS, PRL 111 (2013) 152

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