

# Medium-enhanced $c\bar{c}$ radiation

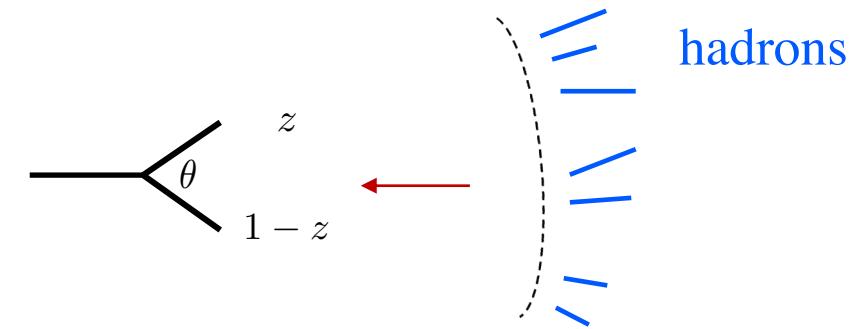
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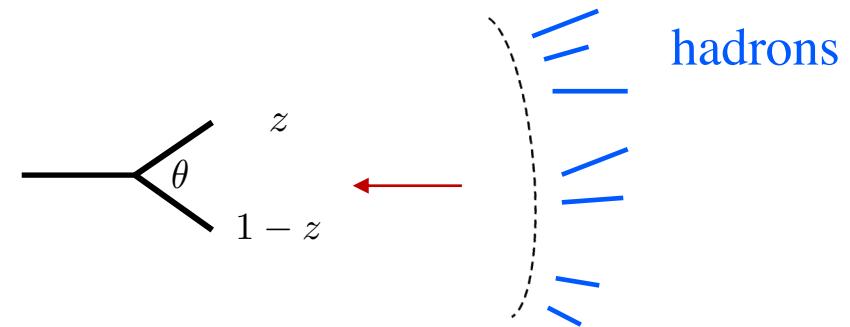
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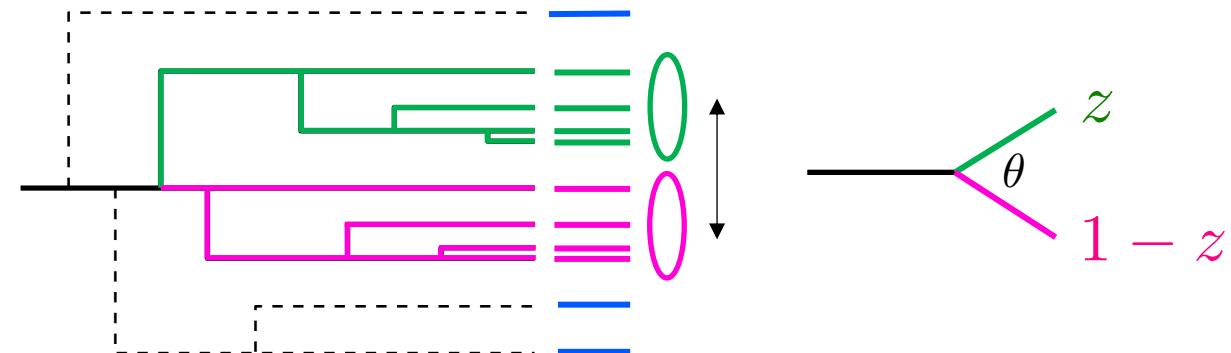
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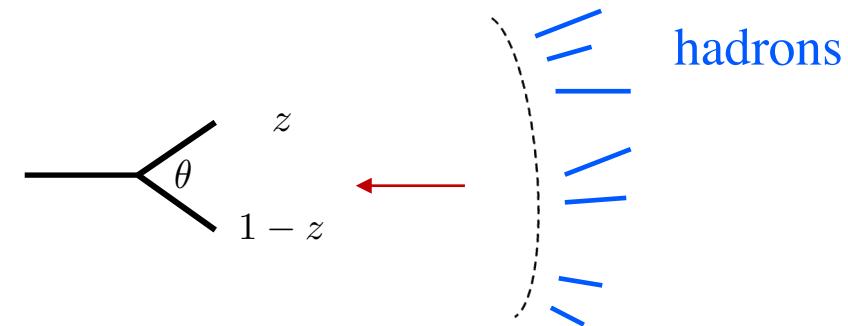
## Jet substructure:

Use angular ordering of QCD to reconstruct emission history of shower from hadrons

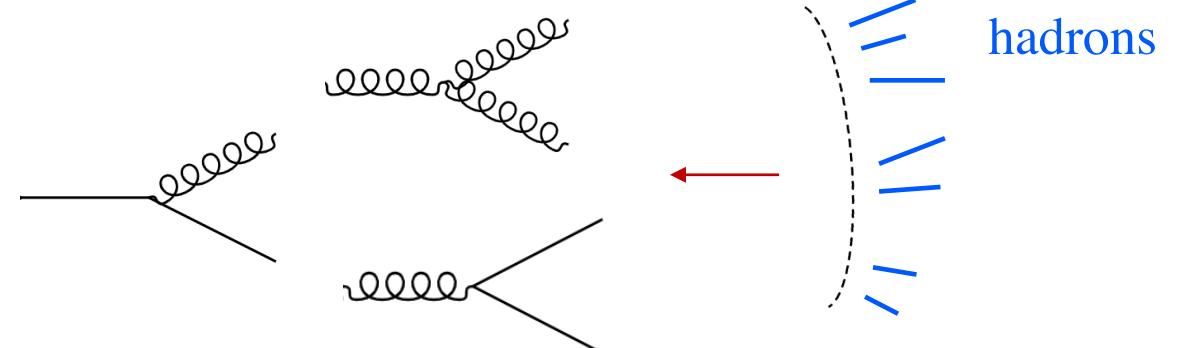


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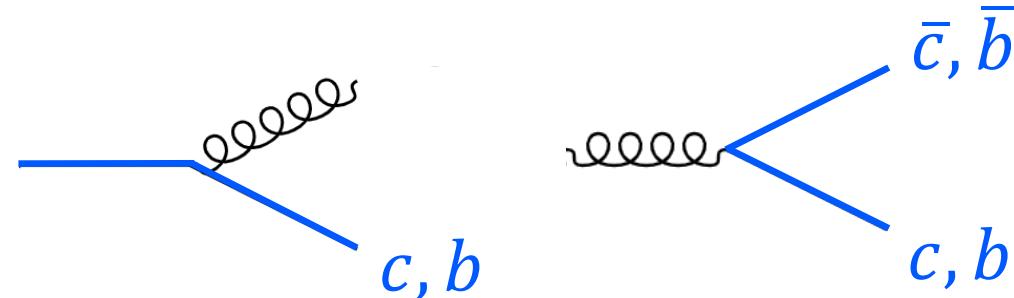


- Flavor-dependence of splittings



# Accessing heavy flavor splitting functions

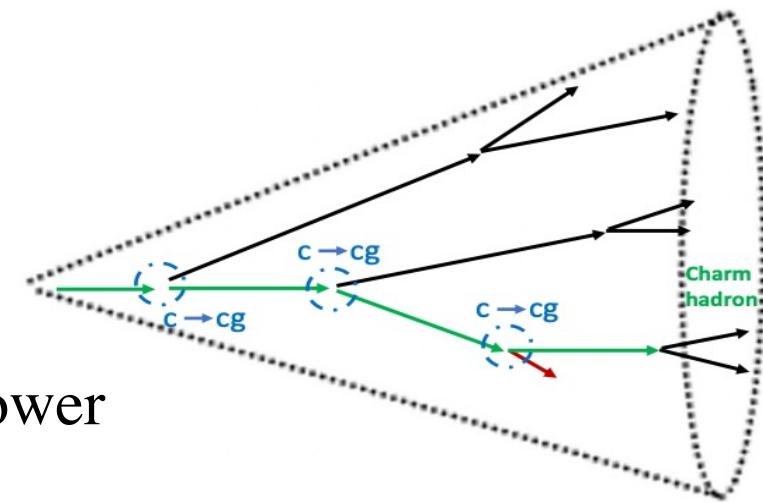
Heavy flavor splittings:



Advantages:

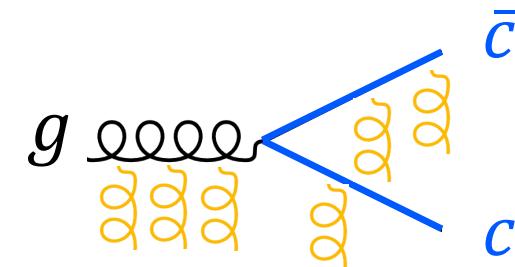
- Heavy flavor is preserved in the shower and not produced at hadronization
- Access late (more modified) splittings in the shower
- At high energies, access light flavor splittings

Used in ALICE [2106.05713]



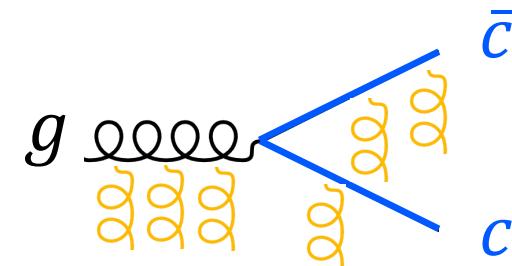
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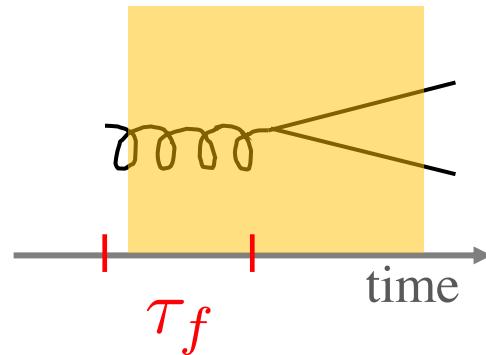


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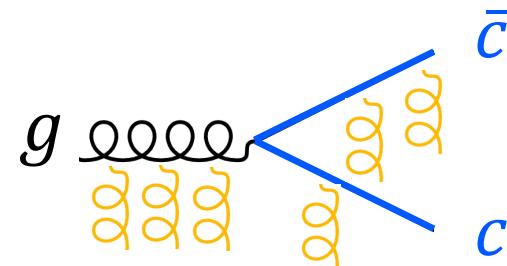


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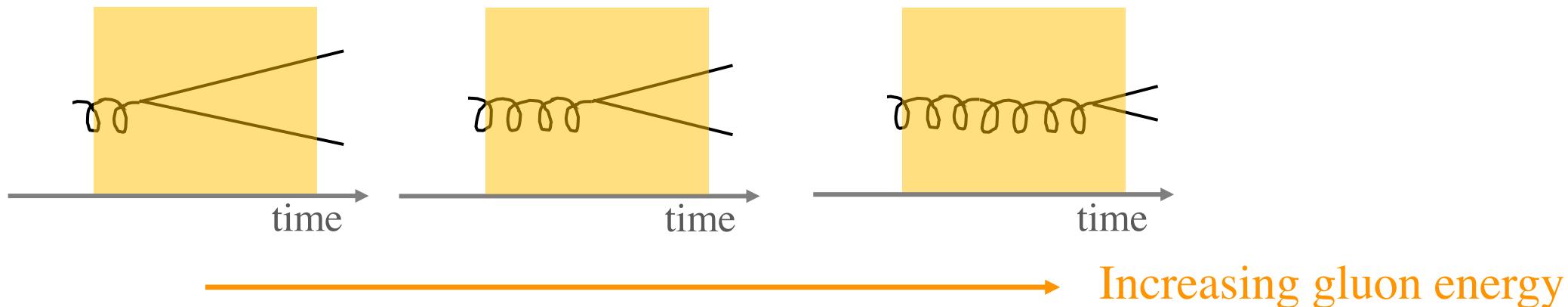
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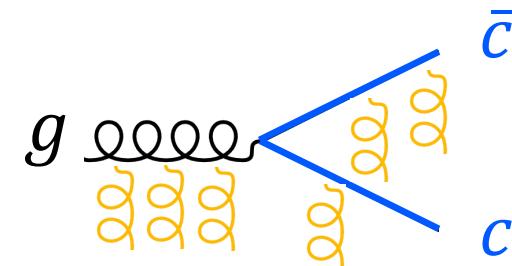
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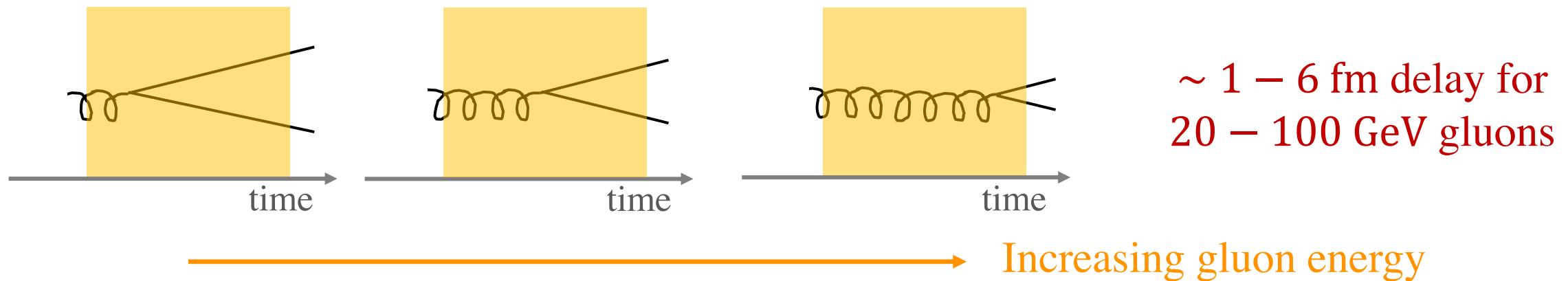
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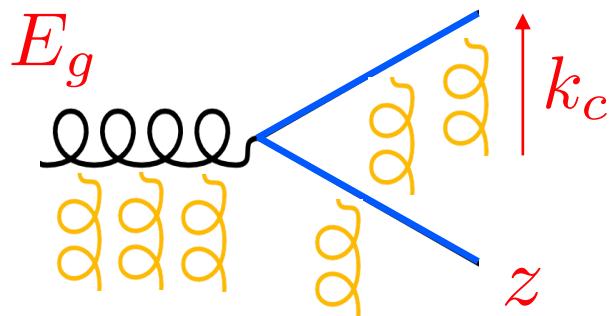


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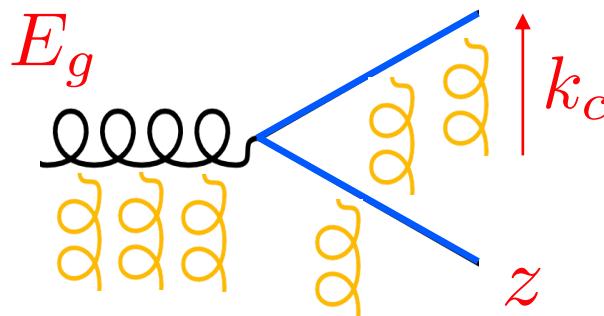
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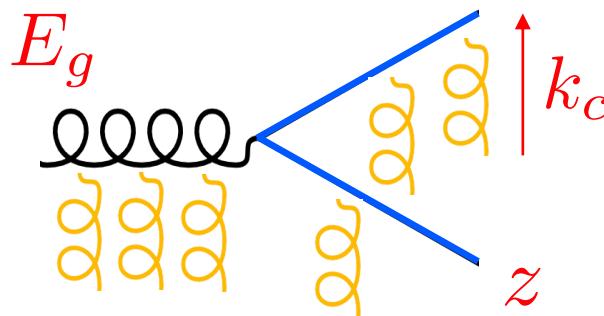
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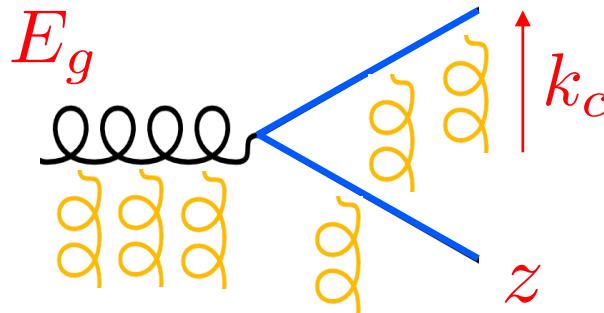
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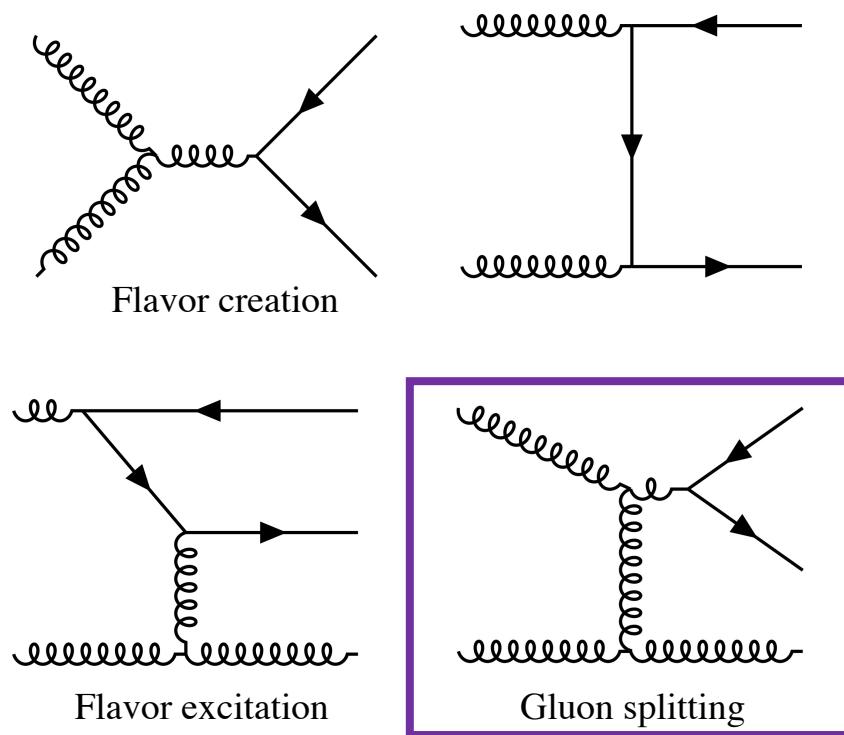
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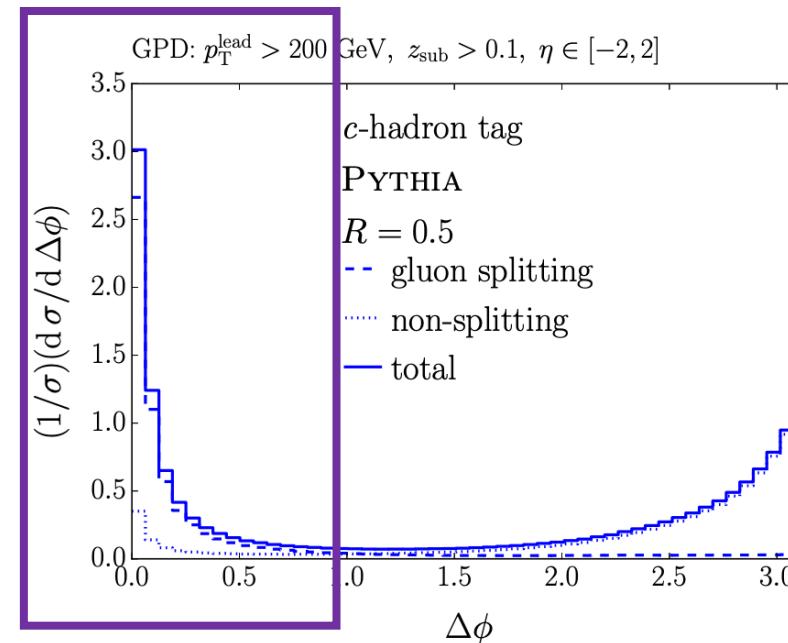
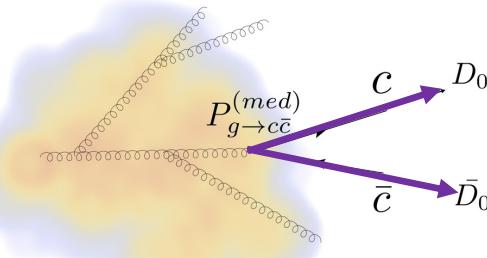
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- Medium-enhanced rate of  $c\bar{c}$  production! gluons promoted above threshold

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## Leading processes for heavy quark production



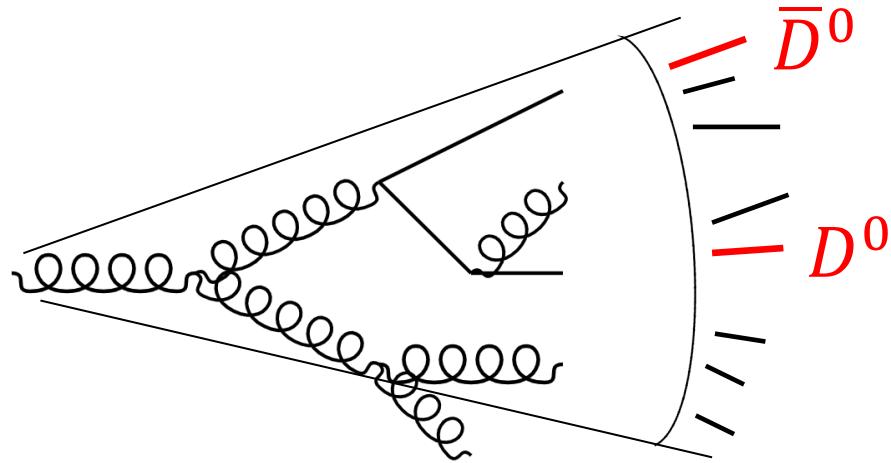
(approximately) collinear



Gluon splitting

Non-gluon-splitting

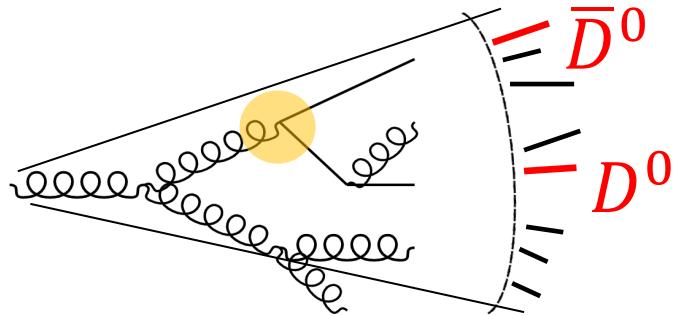
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High-purity sample of showers  
including  $g \rightarrow c\bar{c}$  splitting

Expected experimental sensitivity already in Run 3/4

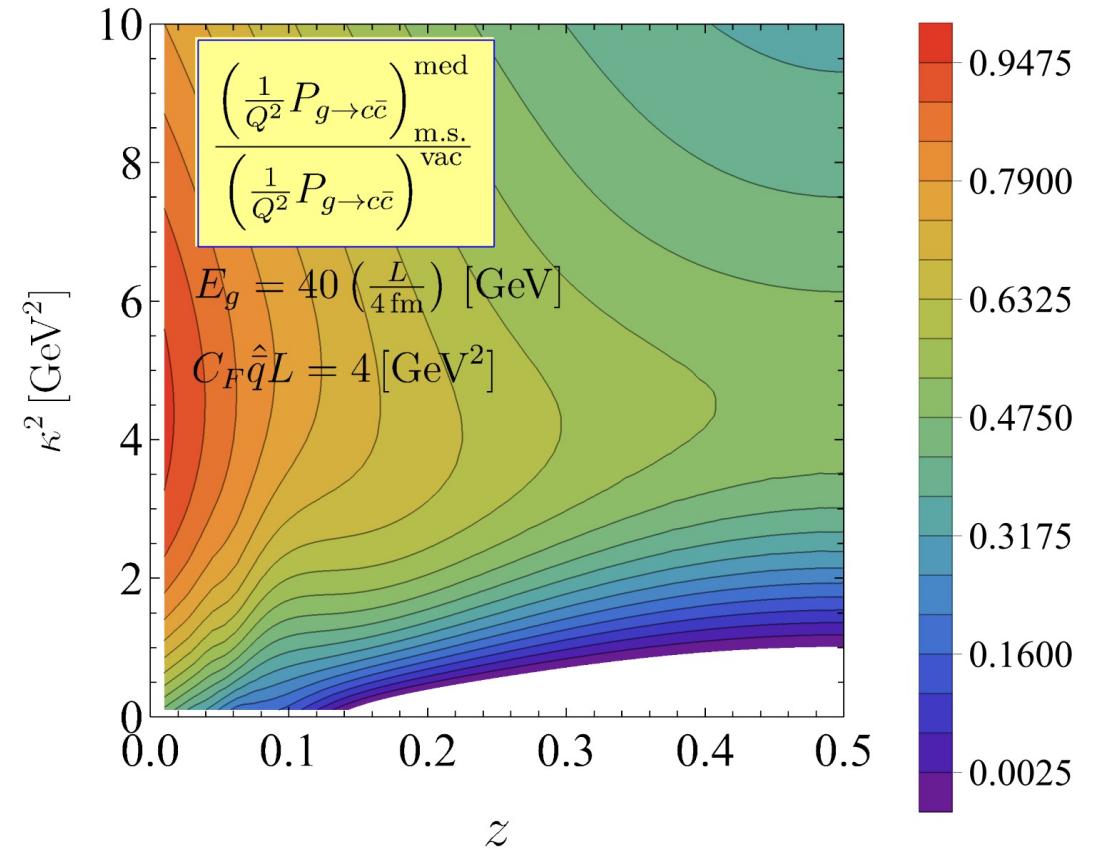
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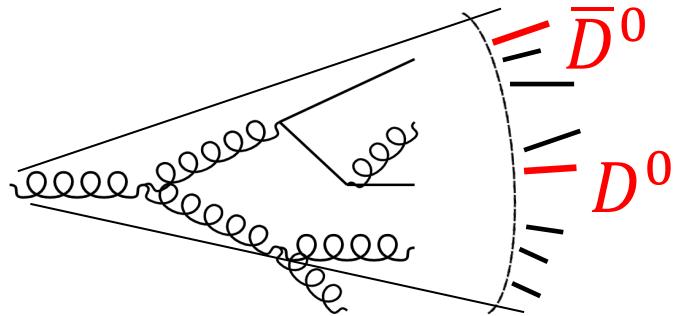
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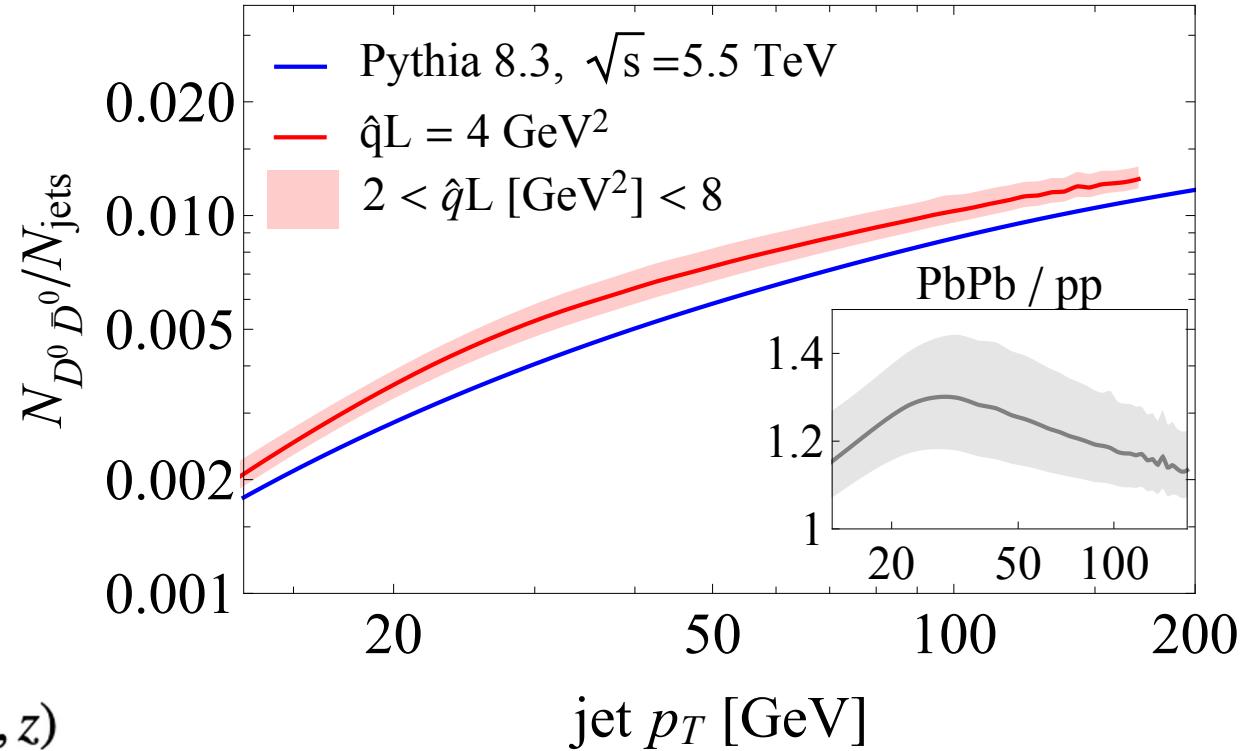
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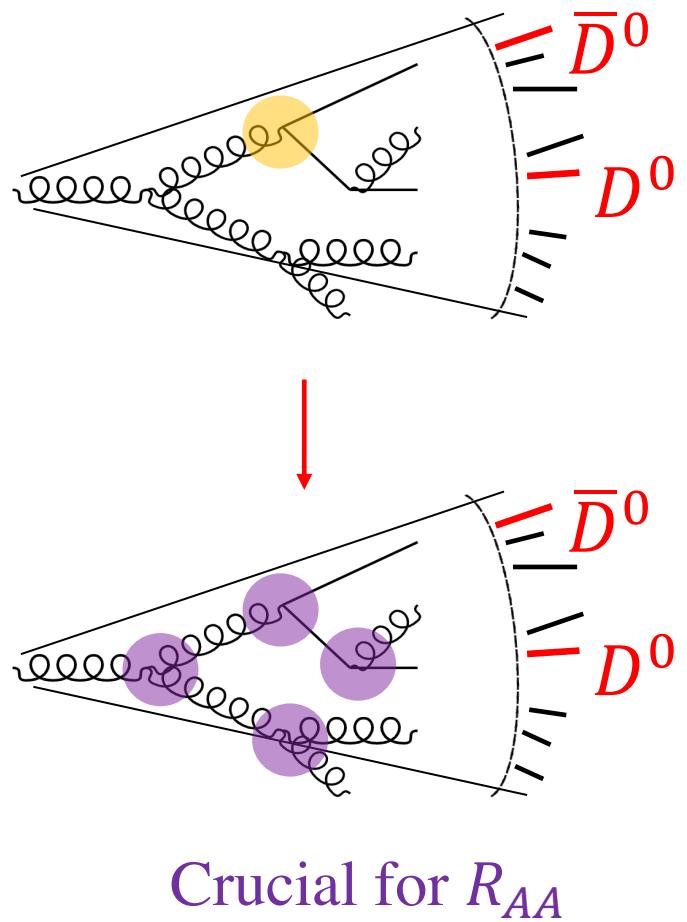
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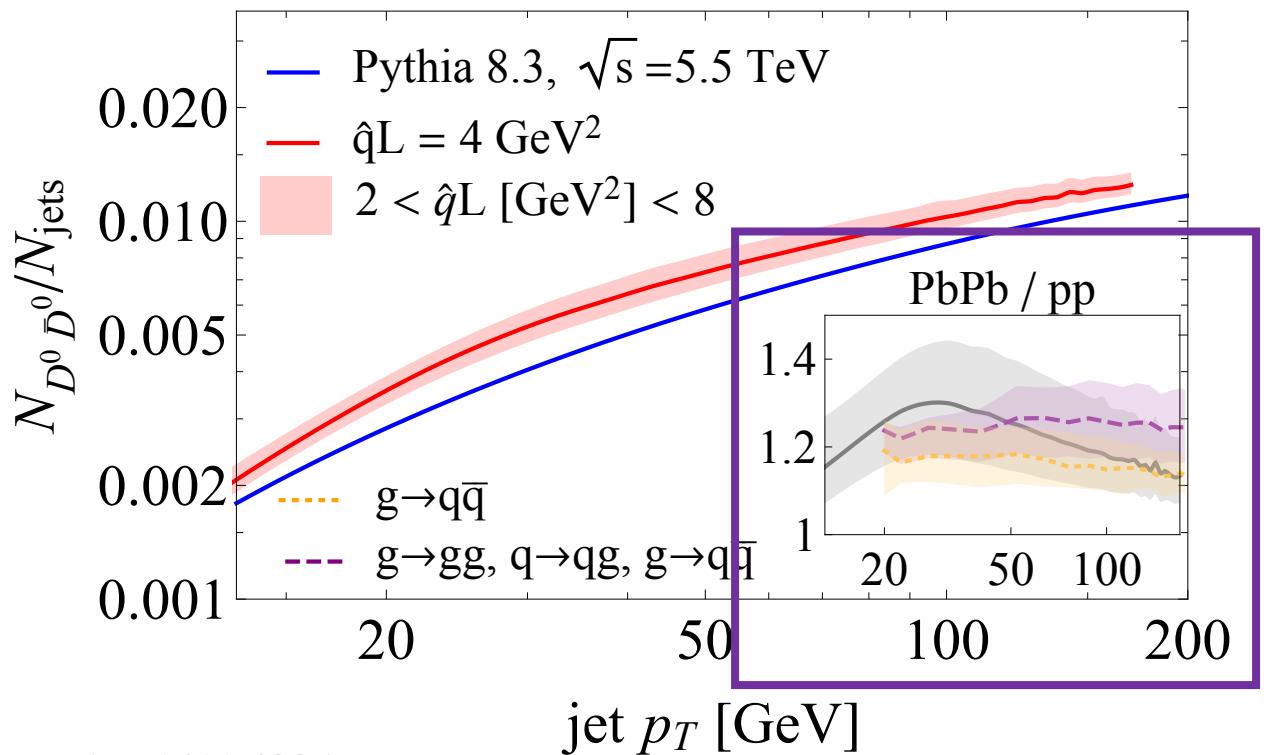
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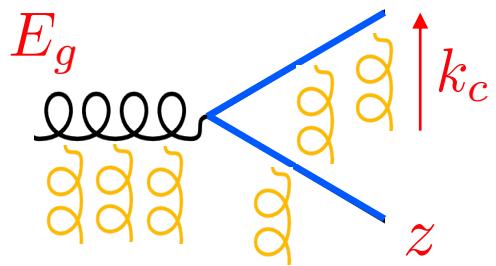
Modified all splittings in simple dipole shower

Hoeche [1411.4085]

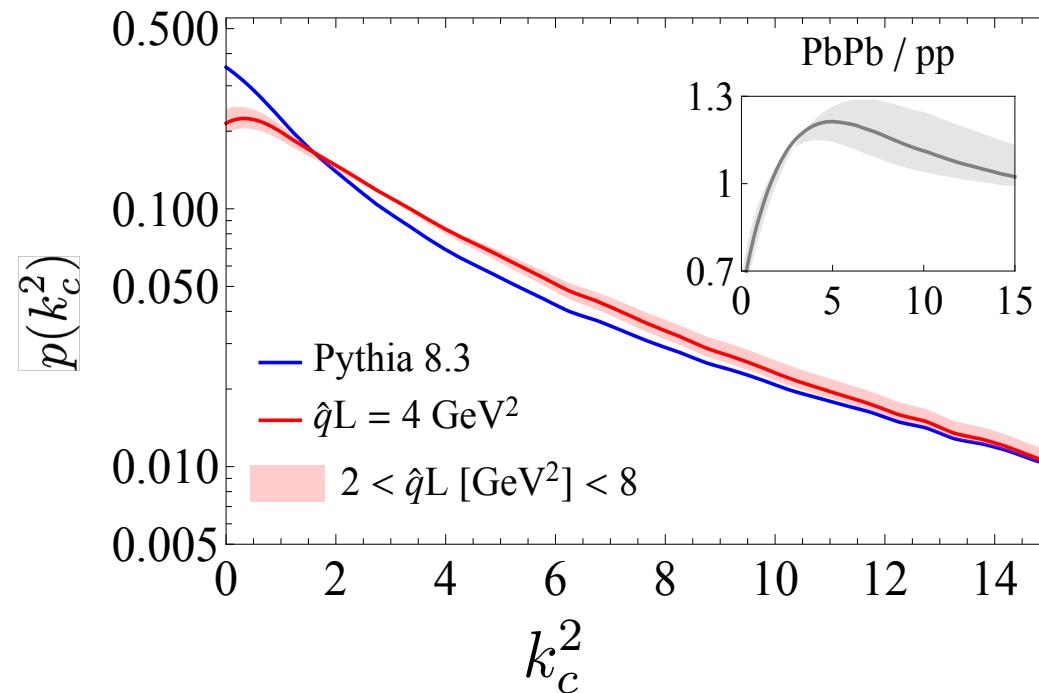
Enhancement of  $N_{D\bar{D}}/N_{\text{jets}}$  is generated by modification of  $g \rightarrow c\bar{c}$



## Going forward: other unique signatures

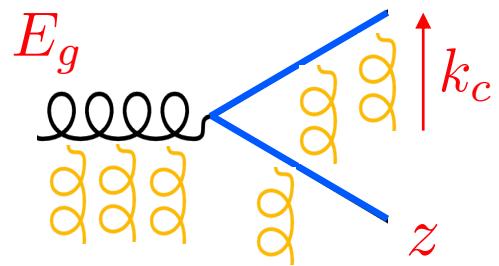


- Broadening

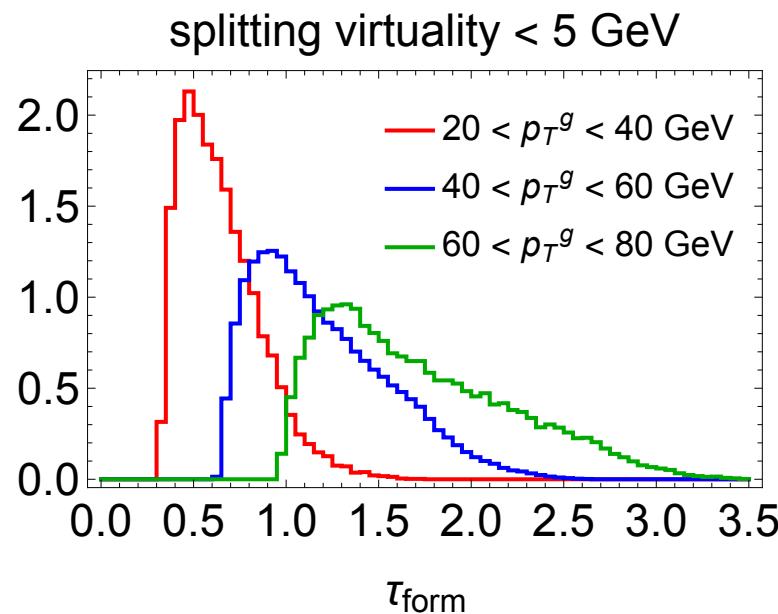


Can use jet substructure to access broadening at hadron-level

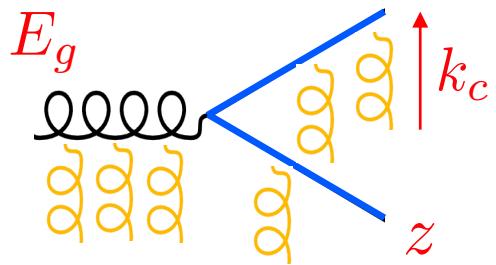
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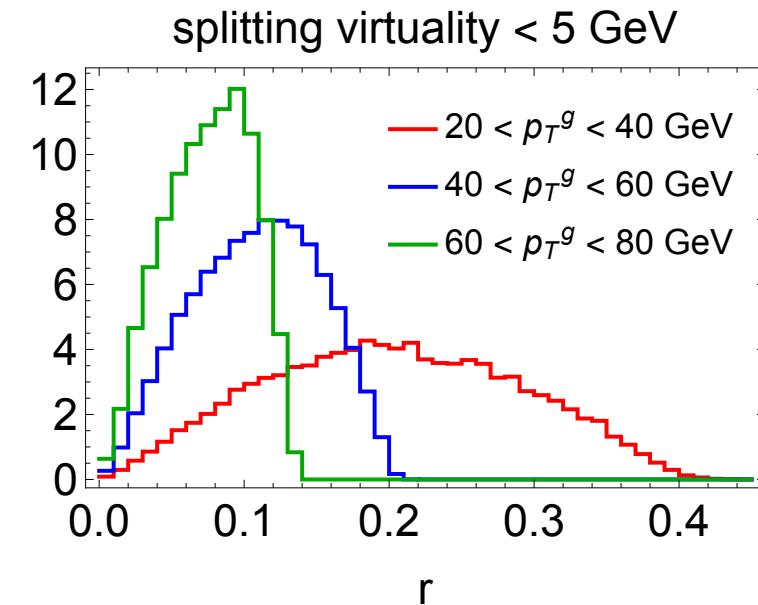
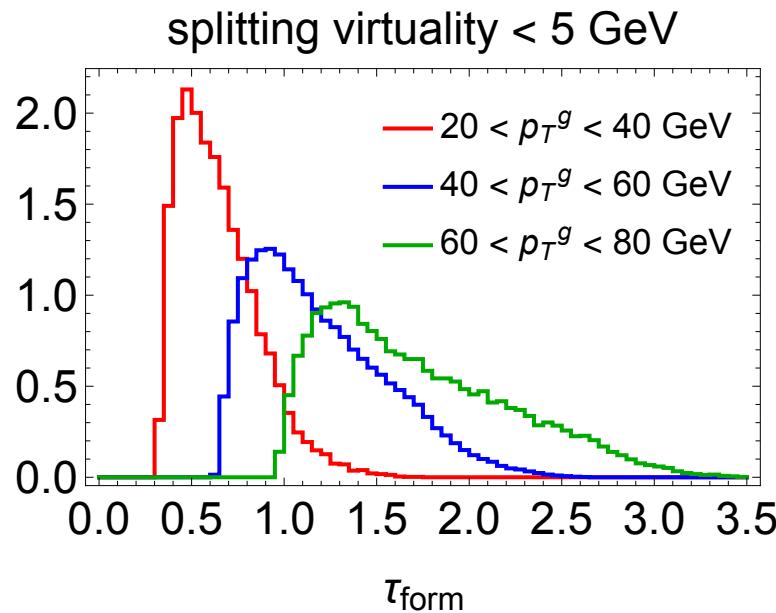
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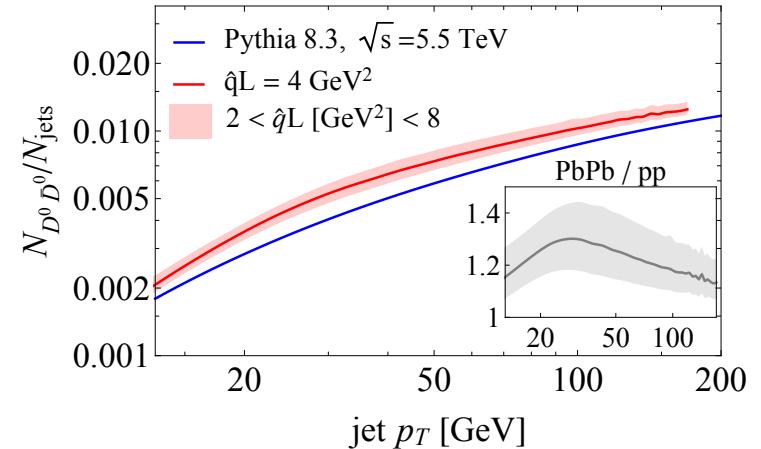
Ongoing: how to quantify modification differentially in formation time?

- Access delayed probe of QGP

# A process with many exciting future avenues!

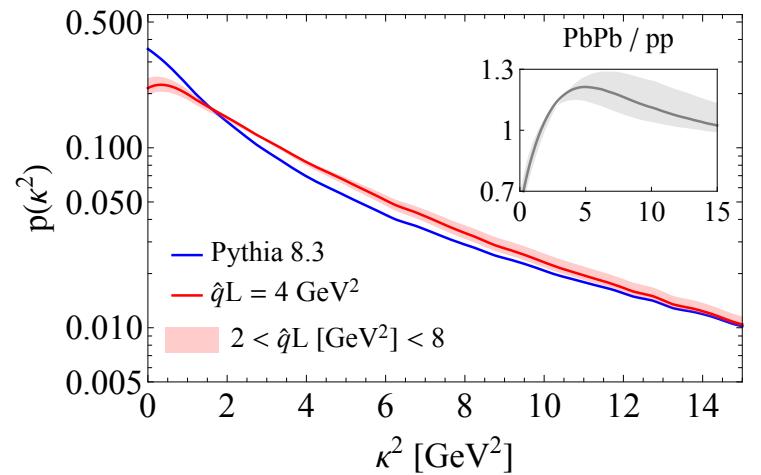
So far..

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Outlook

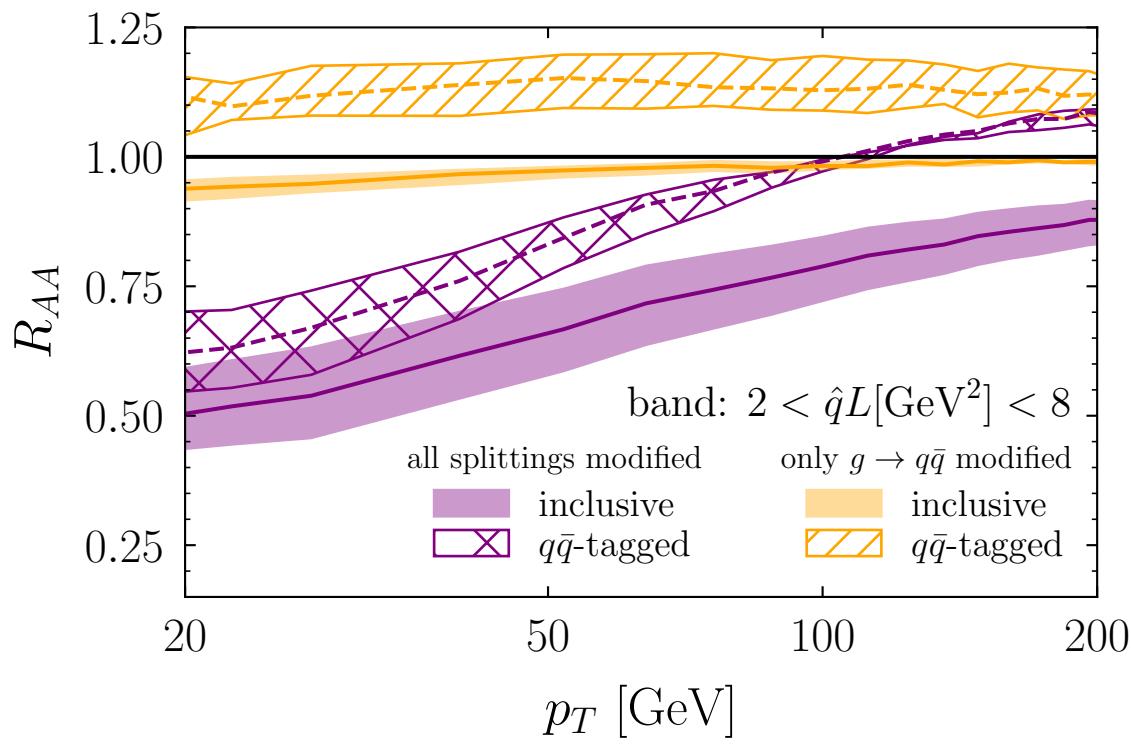
- Broadening of  $c\bar{c}$  pair from hadron level
- Formation time dependence of modification



Clean process with a lot of exciting physics opportunities!

$N_{D\bar{D}}/N_{\text{jets}}$  is dominantly sensitive to enhancement of  $g \rightarrow c\bar{c}$  splittings

Modification of  $g \rightarrow gg$  and  $q \rightarrow qg$  splittings dominate jet energy loss



But enhancement of  $N_{D\bar{D}}/N_{\text{jets}}$  is generated by modification of  $g \rightarrow c\bar{c}$

