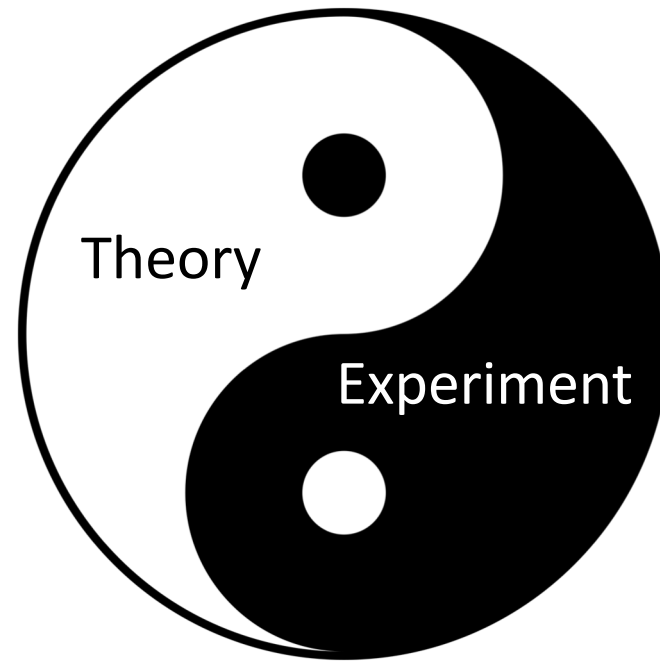




The Xin and Nian of parton energy loss

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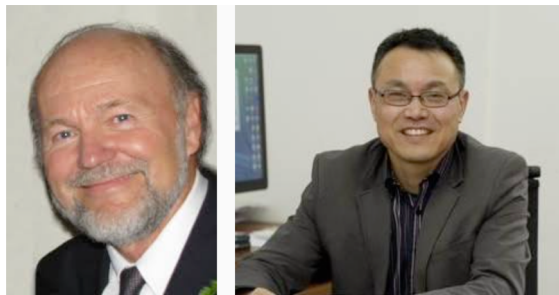


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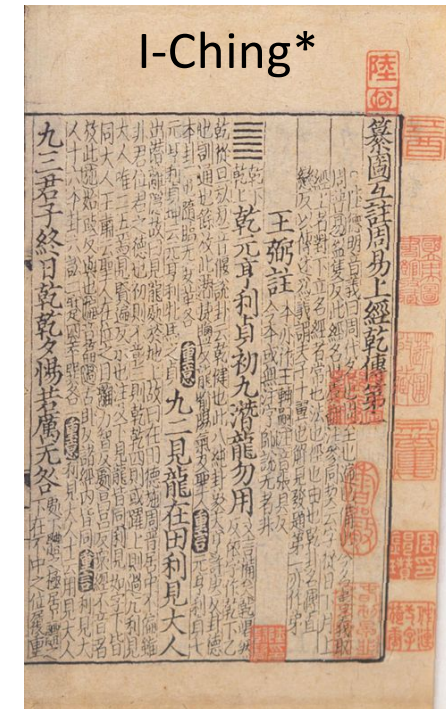
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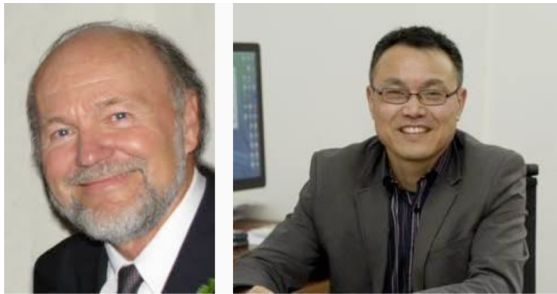


*based on “**cleromancy**, the production of seemingly random numbers to determine divine intent.” [Wikipedia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Clairvoyance)

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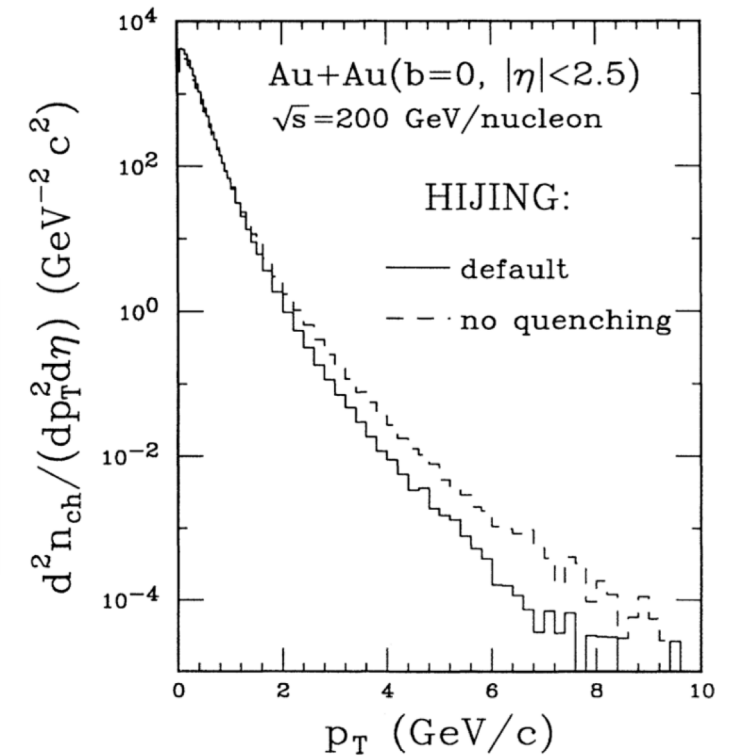


FIG. 19. The prediction of p_T distributions for charged particles by HIJING with (solid histogram) and without (dashed histogram) jet quenching in central Au+Au collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV/nucleon with $dE/dx = 2$ GeV/fm and $\lambda_s = 1$ fm.

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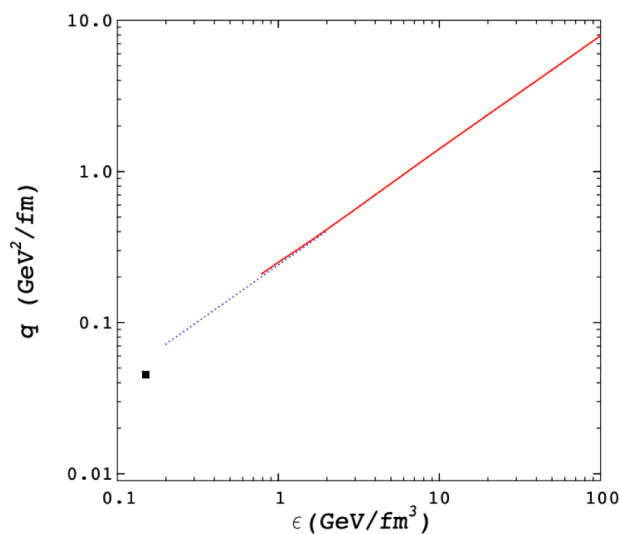
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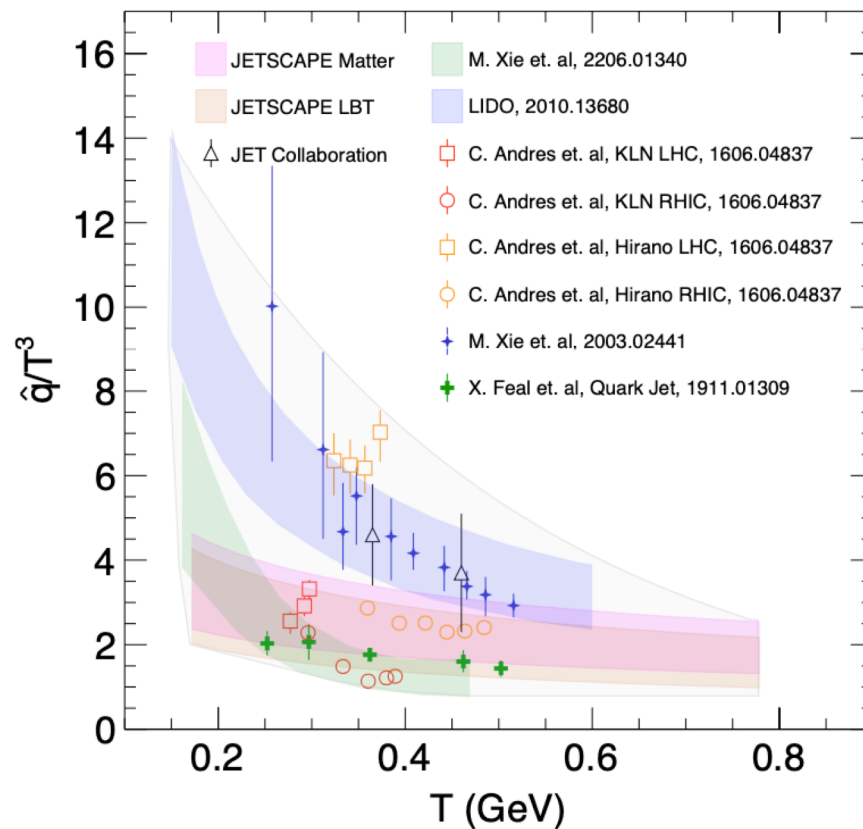
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Answer 1: QGP medium properties



QM2002, R. Baier



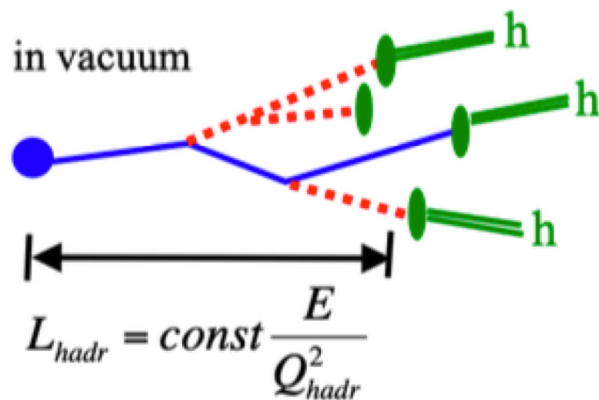
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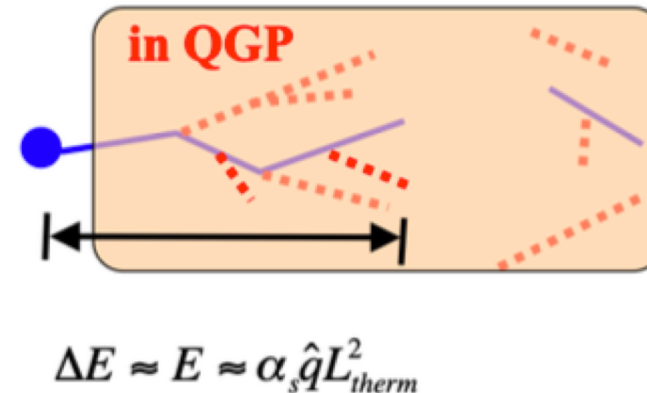
Answer 2: QCD thermalization mechanisms.

What drives far-out-of-equilibrium excitations towards equilibrium and how quickly?

In QCD vacuum, jets **hadronize**.



In QCD plasma, jets **thermalize**.

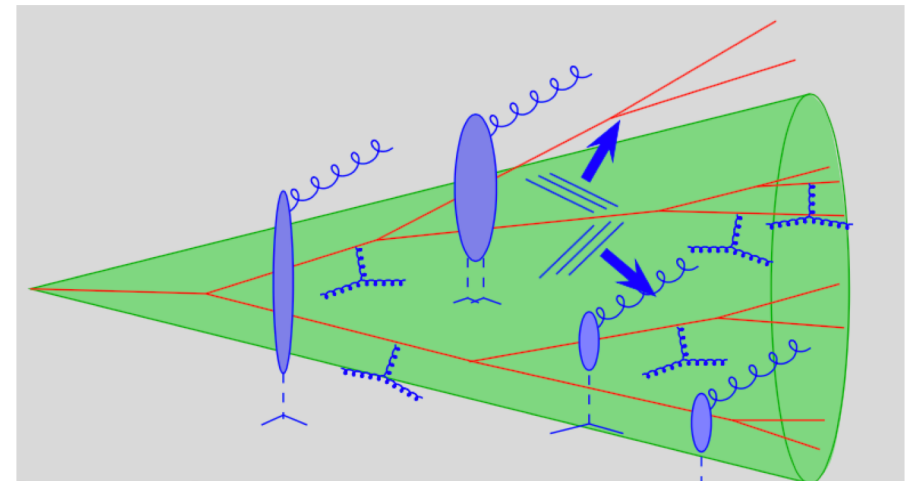


Jet quenching – a *peculiar* kinetic transport

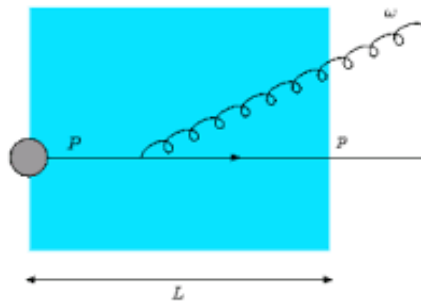
A generic quenching model implements

$$\partial_t f_g(\mathbf{x}, p) = -C_{2 \rightarrow 2}[f] - C_{1 \rightarrow 2}[f]$$

- Hard partons $p \gg T$
- Embedded in medium
- 1- \rightarrow 2 LPM (and DGLAP)
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What is **peculiar**? Soft emittees are emitted first.



In vacuum

- Time $\tau_{\text{form}}^{\text{vac}} \simeq \frac{\omega}{k_{\perp}^2} = \frac{1}{\Theta^2 \omega}$
- Hard gluons first
- Soft gluons late
- medium never

In medium

- Time $\tau_{\text{form}}^{\text{med}} \simeq \frac{\omega}{k_{\perp}^2} = \sqrt{\frac{\omega}{\hat{q}}}$
- Soft gluons first
- medium forms fast (PTO)

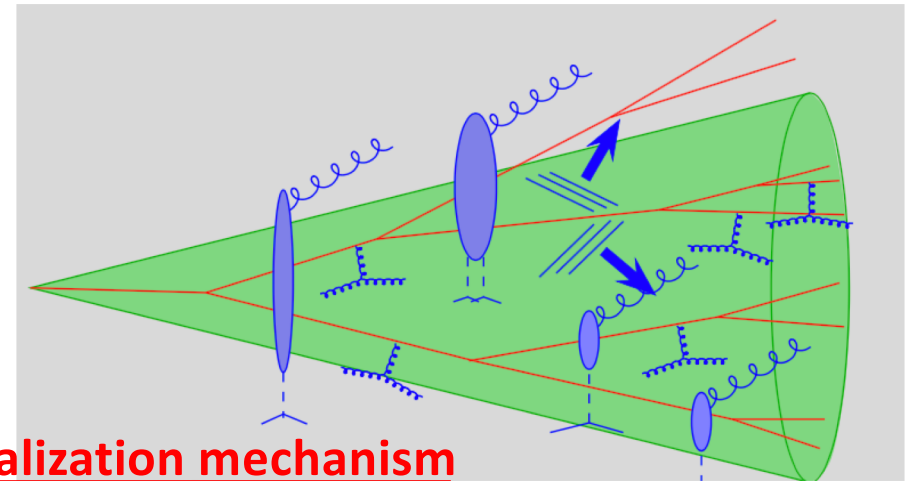
Jet quenching \Leftrightarrow pQCD kinetic transport theory

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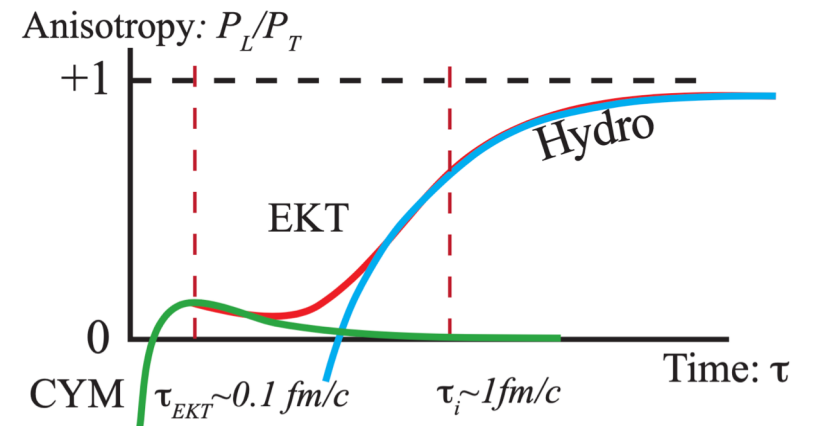
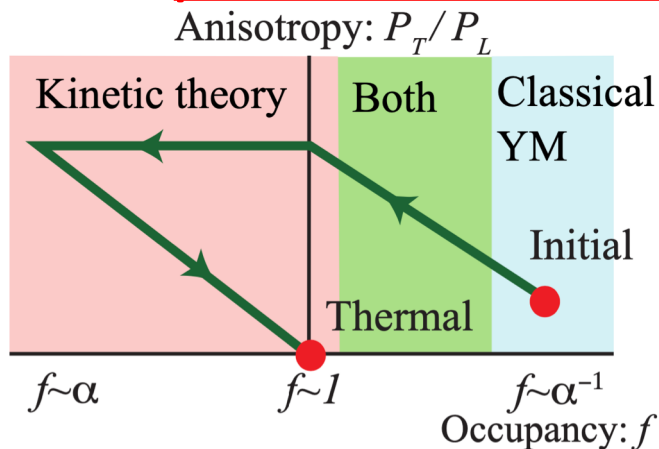
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“Bottom-up”

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pQCD has the most remarkable thermalization mechanism



Q:
Can we test

$$C_{g \rightarrow c\bar{c}}$$

that drives charm chemical equilibration?

Jet Quenching: heavy flavor as an example

□ Cross section*

$$d\sigma = \text{pdf} \otimes \text{Hard} \otimes \text{Frag}$$

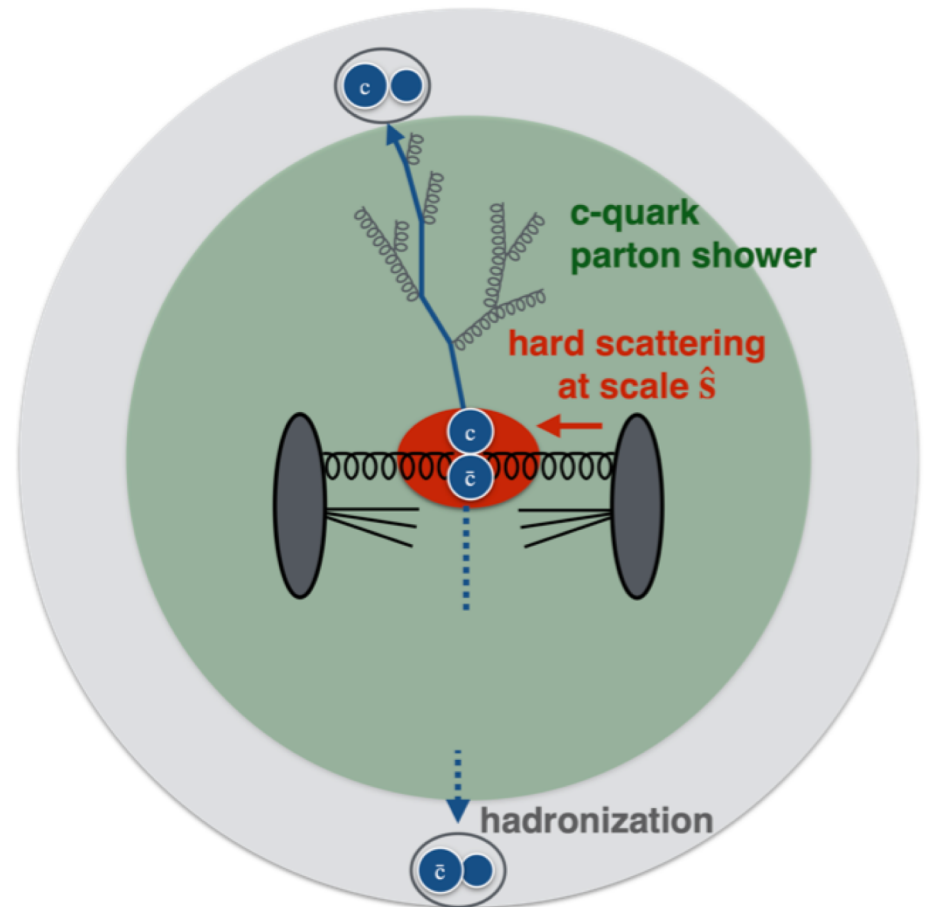
□ Hard production is short distance,

$$\hat{s} \sim Q_{c\bar{c}}^2 \gg 4m_c^2 \gg T, Q_s$$

yield unaffected by QCD medium.

□ $c \rightarrow cg$ in parton shower is long distance,
can be affected by QCD medium**

- “parton energy loss” $C_{c \rightarrow cg}$
- “momentum broadening”



* M. Cacciari et al, JHEP 10 (2012) 137

**Y.L. Dokshitzer and D. Kharzeev, Phys. Lett. B 519 (2001), 199

... spatio-temporal embedding of parton shower ...

Collinear limit

$$\hat{\sigma}_{gg \rightarrow c\bar{c}X} \Big|_{Q_{c\bar{c}}^2 \ll \hat{s}} \longrightarrow \hat{\sigma}_{gg \rightarrow gX} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \frac{1}{Q_{c\bar{c}}^2} P_{g \rightarrow c\bar{c}}$$

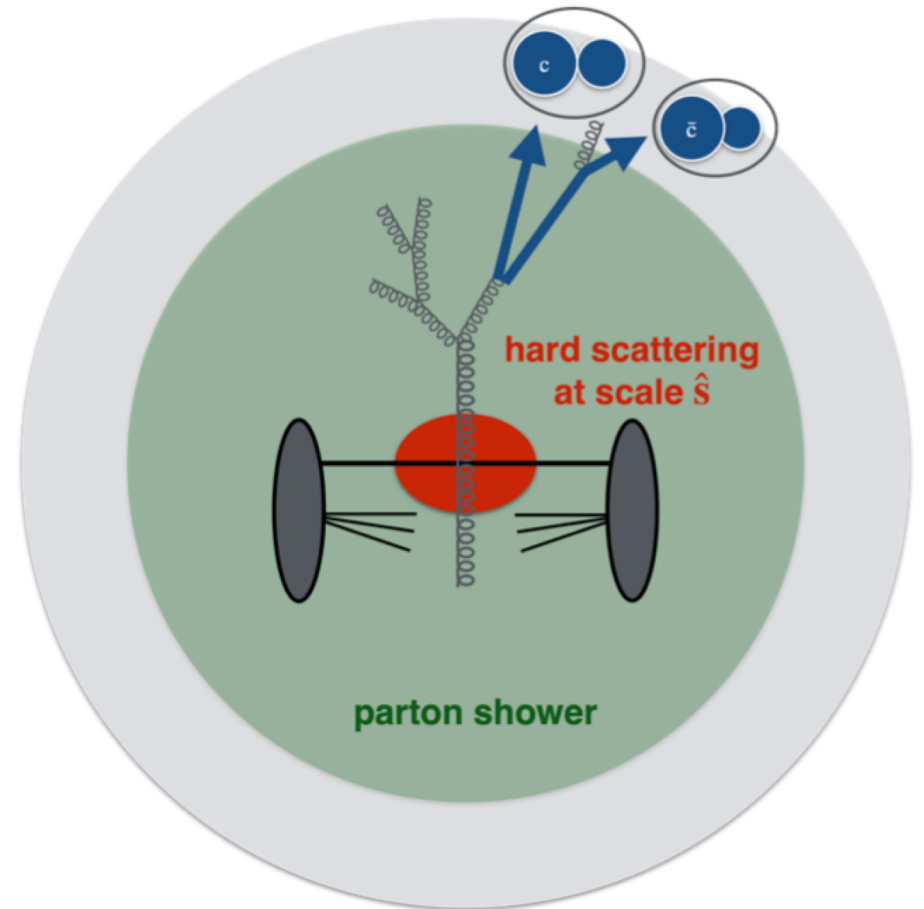
□ $g \rightarrow c\bar{c}$ is long-distance.

Formation time is **boosted***

$$\tau_{g \rightarrow c\bar{c}} \sim \frac{1}{Q_{c\bar{c}}} \frac{E_g}{Q_{c\bar{c}}}$$

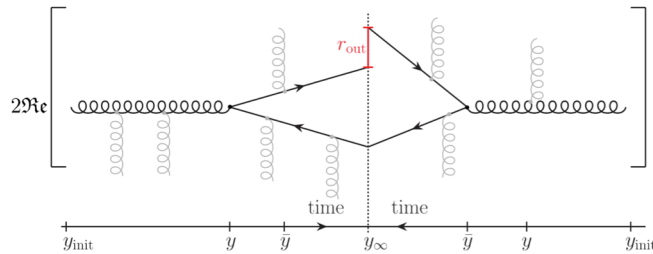
□ $g \rightarrow c\bar{c}$ medium-modified if boosted sufficiently

- medium-enhancement $c\bar{c}$ yield in jets
- momentum broadening of $c\bar{c}$ pair ...



What we know about $g \rightarrow c \bar{c}$...

Medium-modified $g \rightarrow c \bar{c}$ splitting function* in Baier-Dokshitzer-Mueller-Peigné-Schiff / Zakharov formalism



(many other recent developments**)

- ❑ Confirms **formation time** estimate

$$\tau_{g \rightarrow c \bar{c}} = \frac{2}{Q} \frac{E_g}{Q}$$

- ❑ Sensitive to **color field strength of medium**

$$\hat{q} \equiv \frac{\langle \mathbf{q}^2 \rangle_{\text{med}}}{\lambda_{\text{mfp}}}$$

- ❑ Numerically sizeable for

$$\langle \mathbf{q}^2 \rangle_{\text{med}} = \int_{\tau_i}^{\tau_f} d\tau \hat{q}(\tau) \sim \mathcal{O}(m_c^2)$$

- ❑ Geometrically enhanced power-correction

$$P_{g \rightarrow q \bar{q}}^{\text{med}} \sim \mathcal{O} \left(\frac{\langle \mathbf{q}^2 \rangle_{\text{med}}}{Q^2} \right)$$

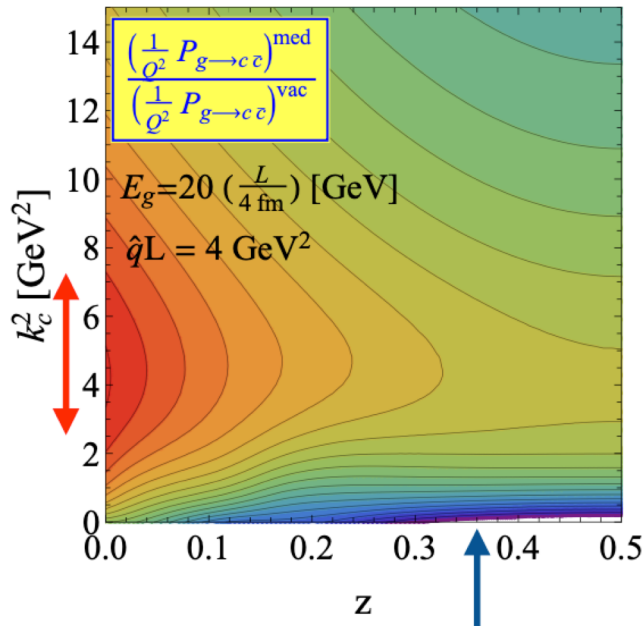
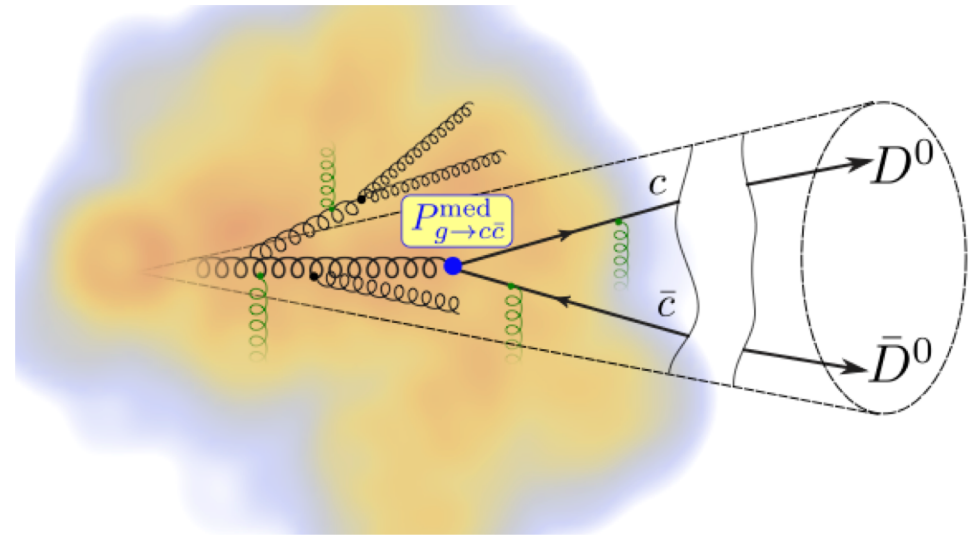
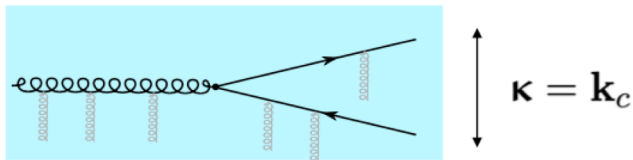
$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{1}{Q^2} P_{g \rightarrow c \bar{c}} \right)^{\text{tot}} &\equiv \left(\frac{1}{Q^2} P_{g \rightarrow c \bar{c}} \right)^{\text{vac}} + \left(\frac{1}{Q^2} P_{g \rightarrow c \bar{c}} \right)^{\text{med}} \\ &= 2 \Re \frac{1}{4 E_g^2} \int_{t_{\text{init}}}^{t_{\infty}} dt \int_t^{t_{\infty}} d\bar{t} \exp \left[i \frac{m_c^2}{2 E_g z (1-z)} (t - \bar{t}) - \epsilon |t| - \epsilon |\bar{t}| \right] \int d\mathbf{r}_{\text{out}} \\ &\times \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} \int_{\bar{t}}^{\infty} d\xi n(\xi) \sigma_3(\mathbf{r}_{\text{out}}, z) \right] \exp[-i \boldsymbol{\kappa} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{\text{out}}] \\ &\times \left[\left(m_c^2 + \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{r}_{\text{in}}} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{r}_{\text{out}}} \right) \frac{z^2 + (1-z)^2}{z(1-z)} + 2m_c^2 \right] \mathcal{K}[\mathbf{r}_{\text{in}} = 0, t; \mathbf{r}_{\text{out}}, \bar{t}]. \end{aligned}$$

$$\sigma_3(\mathbf{r}, z) \equiv -\frac{1}{2N_c} \sigma(\mathbf{r}) + \frac{N_c}{2} \sigma(z\mathbf{r}) + \frac{N_c}{2} \sigma((1-z)\mathbf{r}).$$

*M. Attems et al, 2203.11241v2 ** L. Apolinario et al, 1407.0599, F. Dominguez et al., 1907.03653, Isaksen et al., 2107.02542, 2206.02811
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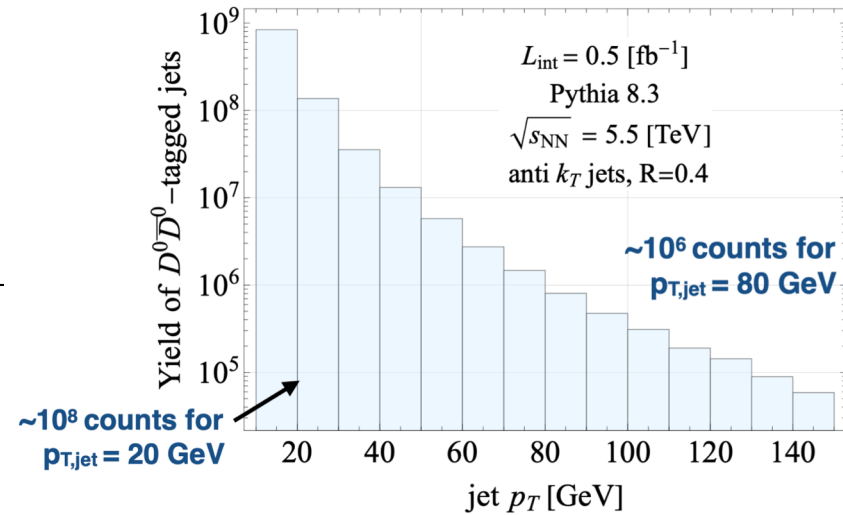
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QGP with length L

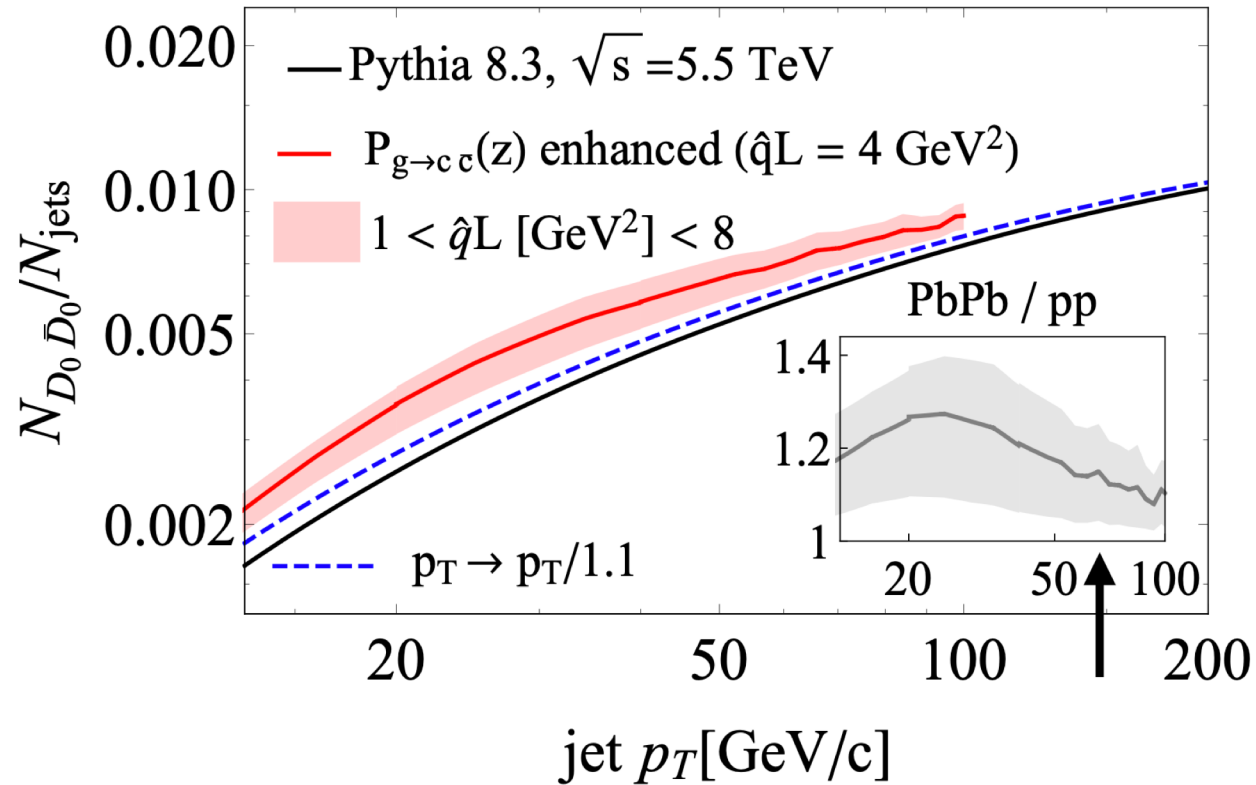


$$Q_{c\bar{c}}^2 \simeq \frac{m_c^2 + k_c^2}{z(1-z)}$$

$L_{\text{int}} = 0.5 \text{ fb}^{-1} \text{ pp} \sim 10 \text{ nb}^{-1} \text{ PbPb (no quenching)}$



An observable sensitive to enhanced $g \rightarrow c\bar{c}$ in jets



Could this be the first test of perturbative chemical transport theory?

