

Study of EEC discrimination power on quark and gluon quenching effects based on LHC heavy-ion detectors

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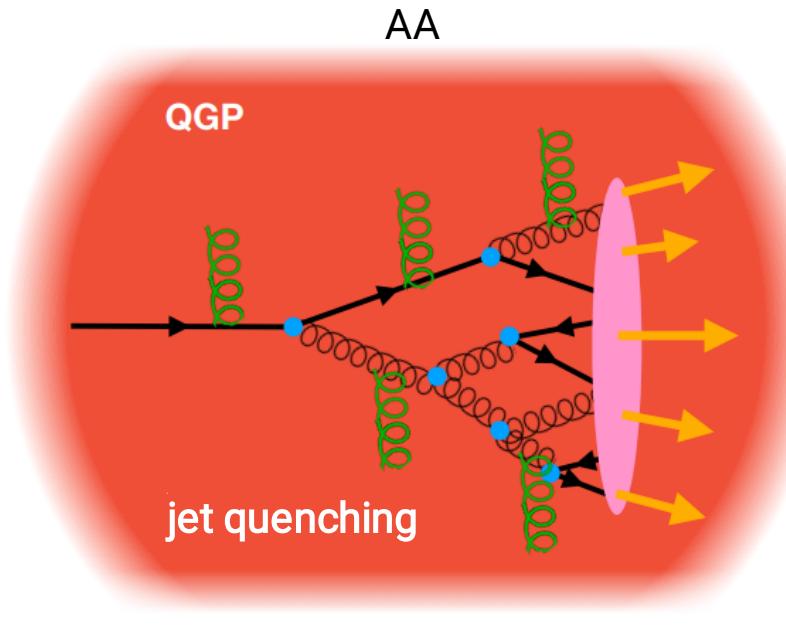
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01 Background & Motivation



Quenching effects is flavor dependent!

Quark vs gluon?

1. Hadron chemistry

(e.g. η meson production, Wei Dai et al. [PLB (2015) 390-39])

2. Jet observable

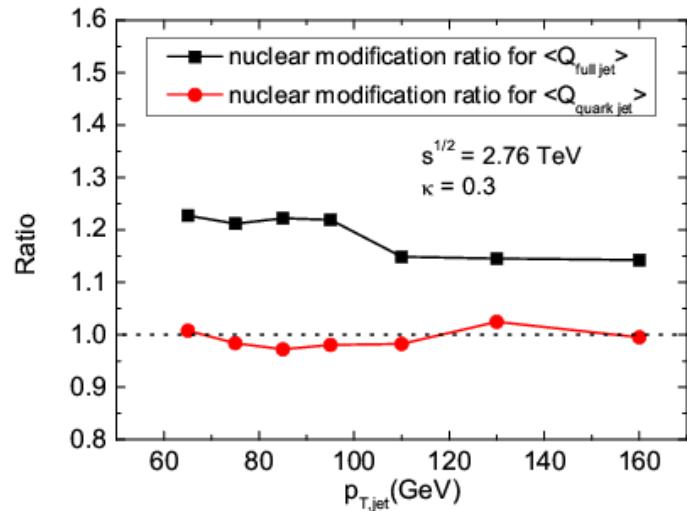
(e.g. Jet charge, Shi-Yong Chen et al. [Nucl.Part.Phys.Proc. (2017)
448-451])

$$Q^k = \sum_{i \in \text{jet}} z_h^k Q_i$$

$$\text{where } z_h^k = p_T^i / p_T^{\text{jet}}$$

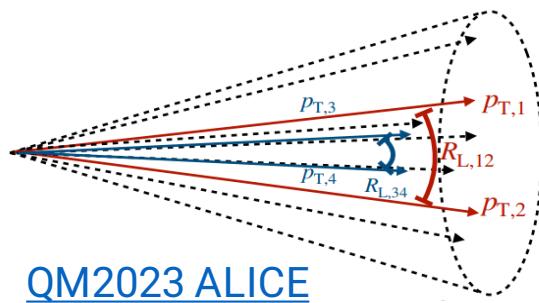
3. Jet substructure!

(e.g. EEC, Andrew J. et al. [JHEP06(2013)108])



01 Background & Motivation

Energy-energy correlators (EEC) are a jet substructure observable that measures statistical correlations of energy flux in jets.



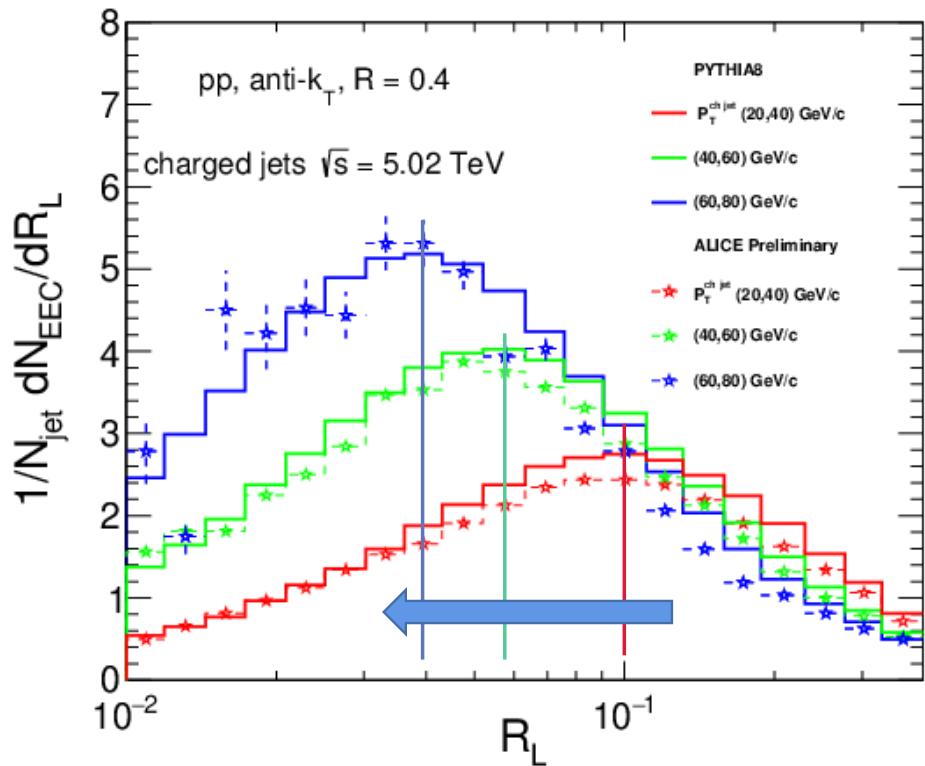
$$\frac{d\sigma_{\text{EEC}}}{dR_L} = \sum_{i,j} \frac{\int d\sigma(R'_L) p_{T,i} p_{T,j}}{p_{T,jet}^2} \delta(R'_L - R_L) \quad (1)$$

$$\text{where } R_L = \sqrt{\Delta\phi_{i,j}^2 + \Delta\eta_{i,j}^2}$$

How is the EEC discrimination power on quark and gluon quenching effects ?

02 EEC distributions in pp

- PYTHIA v8.309[1] with Monash 2013 tune[2] → simulate pp collisions
- FASTJET v3.4.0[3] with $R=0.4$ → reconstruct inclusive charged jets
- Counting number of energy weighted particles pairs as functions of R_L .



ALICE data ([arXiv:2409.12687 \[hep-ex\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/2409.12687))

Nice agreements !

The EEC distributions are shifted to lower R_L region with the increasing jet p_T .



Higher $P_{T,jet}$, lower R_L distributions !

03 EEC distributions in AA

I. PYTHIA8 → initial showered partons and Glauber model[4] → initial positions

II. Simulating Heavy quark **Energy Loss** with Langevin equations (SHELL) model[5]

1. Energy Loss from medium-induced gluon radiation:

$$P_{\text{rad}}(t, \Delta t) = 1 - e^{-\langle N(t, \Delta t) \rangle} \quad (2)$$

where $N(t, \Delta t)$ is from Higher-Twist method[6]:

$$\frac{dN}{dx dk_\perp^2 dt} = \frac{2\alpha_s C_S P(x) \hat{q}}{\pi k_\perp^4} \sin^2 \left(\frac{t-t_i}{2\tau_f} \right) \left(\frac{k_\perp^2}{k_\perp^2 + x^2 M^2} \right)^4 \quad (3)$$

sample:

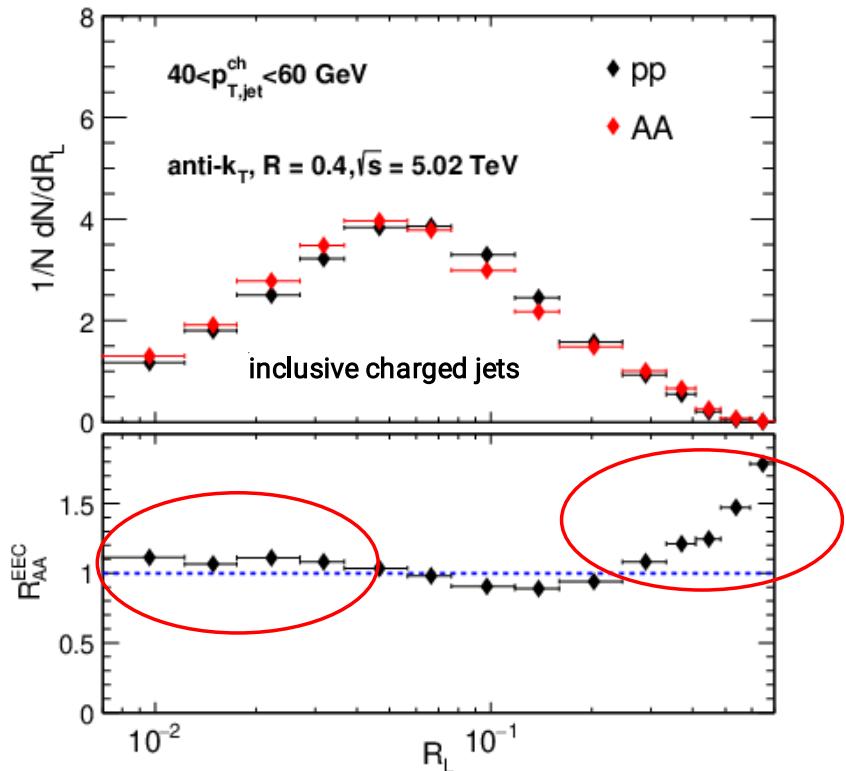
$$P(n_g, t, \Delta t) = \frac{\langle N(t, \Delta t) \rangle^{n_g}}{n_g!} e^{-\langle N(t, \Delta t) \rangle} \quad (4)$$

2. Energy Loss from elastic collision :

Hard Thermal Loop[7]: $\frac{dE^{\text{coll}}}{dt} = \frac{\alpha_s C_S \mu_D^2}{2} \ln \frac{\sqrt{ET}}{\mu_D} \quad (5)$

III. PYTHIA Lund string method (with colorless string[8]) → Hadronization and hadron decays

03 EEC distributions in AA



There are clear enhancement at $R_L > 0.2$ and $R_L < 0.05$

For $R_L > 0.2$:

Energy loss \rightarrow particle pair angular wider
 \rightarrow EEC shift to larger R_L

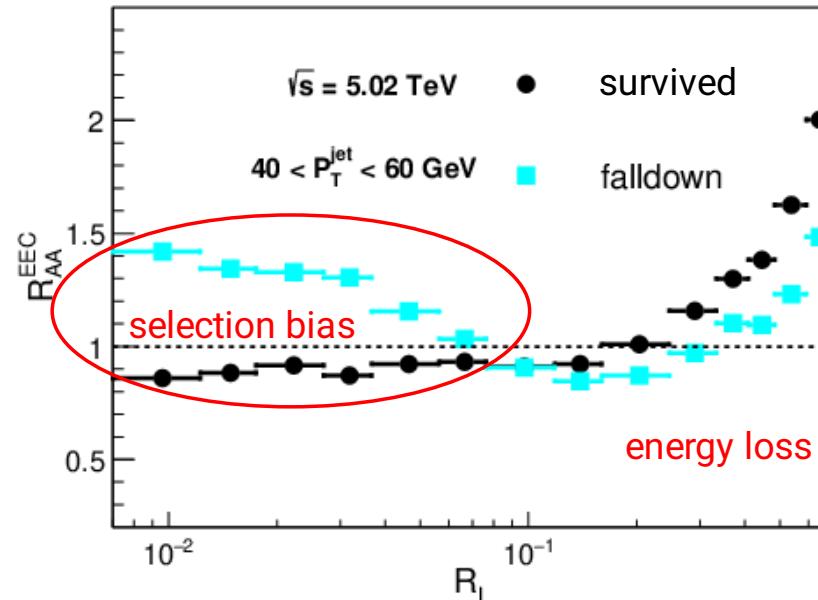
But why EEC also shift to small R_L ?

03 EEC distributions in AA

$$\frac{AA}{pp} \rightarrow \frac{AA_{\text{survived}}}{pp} + \frac{AA_{\text{fall-down}}}{pp}$$

survived: $40 < p_{T,\text{jet}} < 60 \text{ GeV}$ in pp

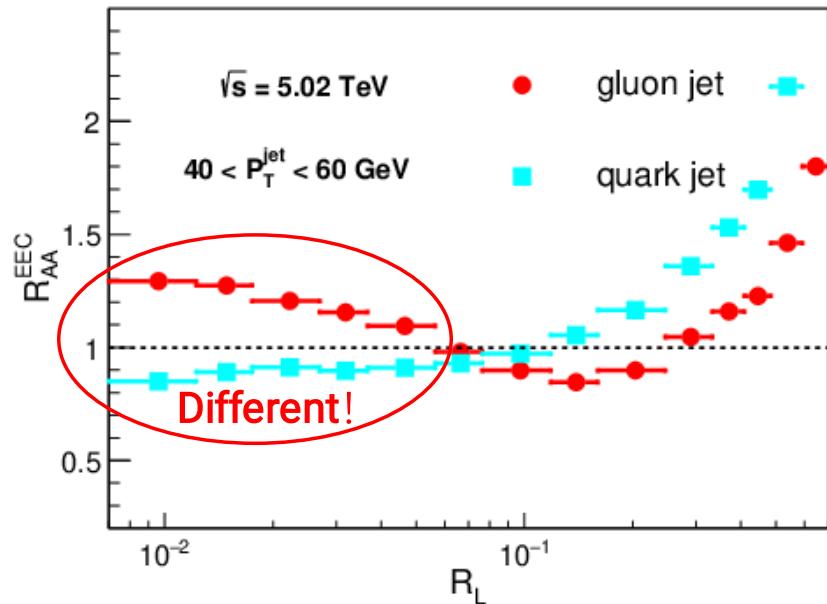
fall-down: $p_{T,\text{jet}} > 60 \text{ GeV}$ in pp



selection bias effects → EEC shifting to smaller R_L :

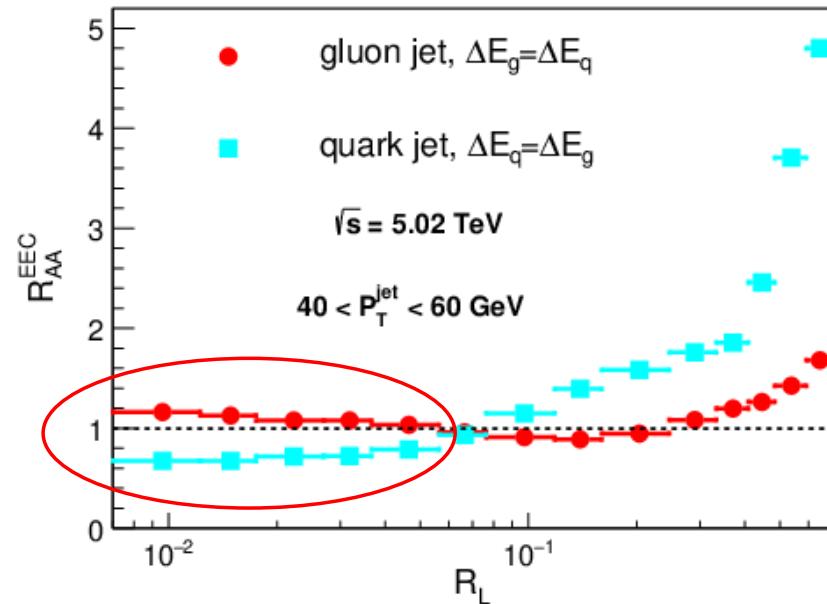
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04 quark/gluon discrimination



energy loss: $\Delta E_g > \Delta E_q$

Is the difference caused by energy loss?



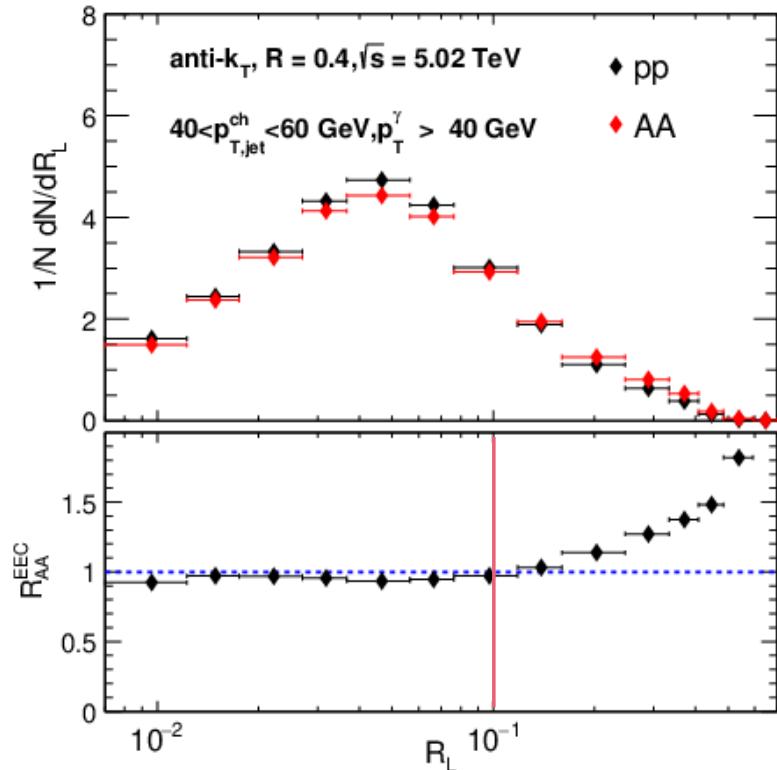
No! It is caused by the difference of
EEC distribution in pp!

04 quark/gluon discrimination

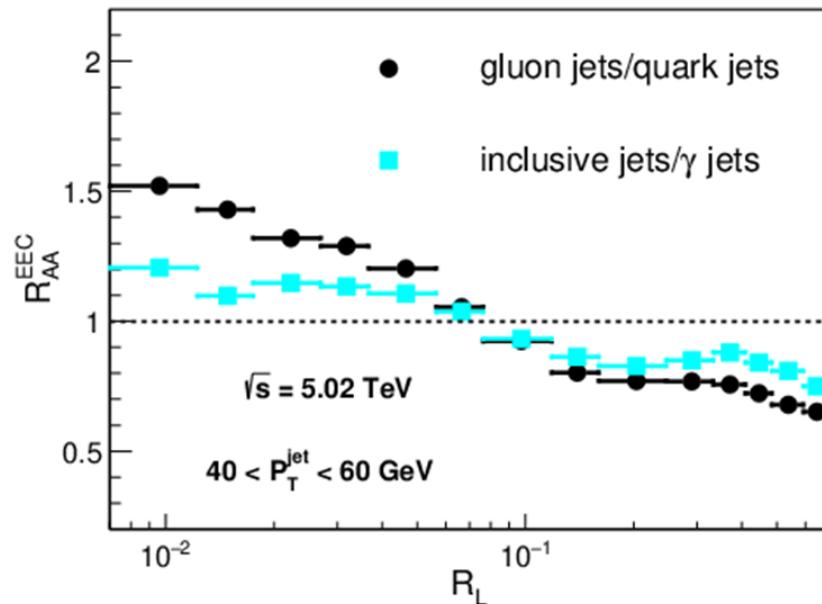
No pure quark jet or pure gluon jet in the experiment.

Gluon jets constitute the major component of inclusive jets →

γ tagged jets



inclusive jets → gluon jets
 γ tagged jets → quark jets



1. EEC R_{AA}^{EEC} of inclusive jets has a clear enhancement at $R_L > 0.2$ (selection bias effects), and $R_L < 0.05$ (Energy loss)
2. R_{AA}^{EEC} of quark jets and the gluon jets is different, and is not affected much by the energy loss differences between quark and gluon;

The jet quenching patterns (A+A/p+p) of the quark jets and the gluon jets can be separated by EEC!

We can verify this by measuring the R_{AA}^{EEC} of inclusive jets/ γ jets.

Thanks

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Back up

$$\frac{d\sigma_{EEC}}{dR_L} = \frac{dN_{pair}/dR_L}{N_{jet}} \frac{\sum_{i,j} p_{T,i} p_{T,j}}{(dN_{pair}/dR_L) * p_{T,jet}^2 dR_L} = \frac{N_{pair}}{N_{jet}} \frac{dN_{pair}}{N_{pair} dR_L}(R_L) * weight(R_L)$$

