

The Nuclear Factor for Heavy Quarks

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outlook

- main physics motivation
- my gains of the nuclear factor for heavy quarks

Why heavy quarks in A-A ?

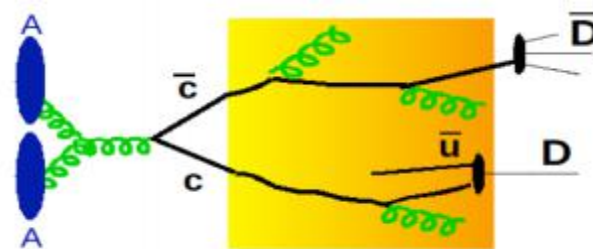
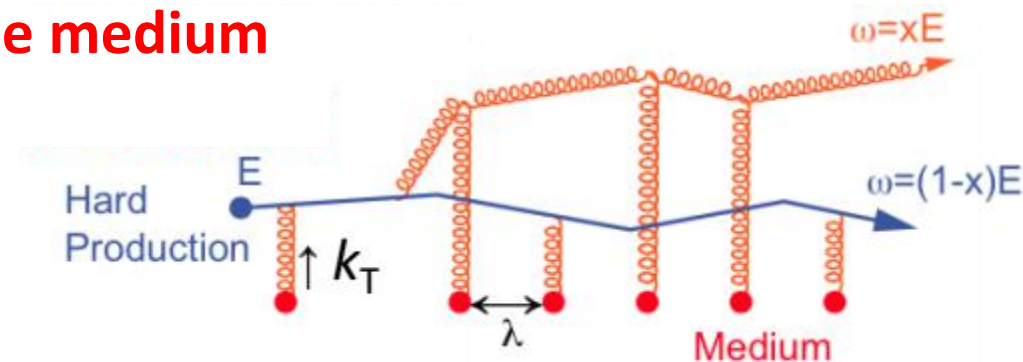
- Produced early via hard scattering, production cross sections calculable with pQCD
- Number conserved through time evolution (even at LHC)
- Strongly affected by the QGP phase
- Weakly affected by late time evolution

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- medium modification to HF hadron formation
 - hadronization via quark coalescence



How can we measure medium effects?

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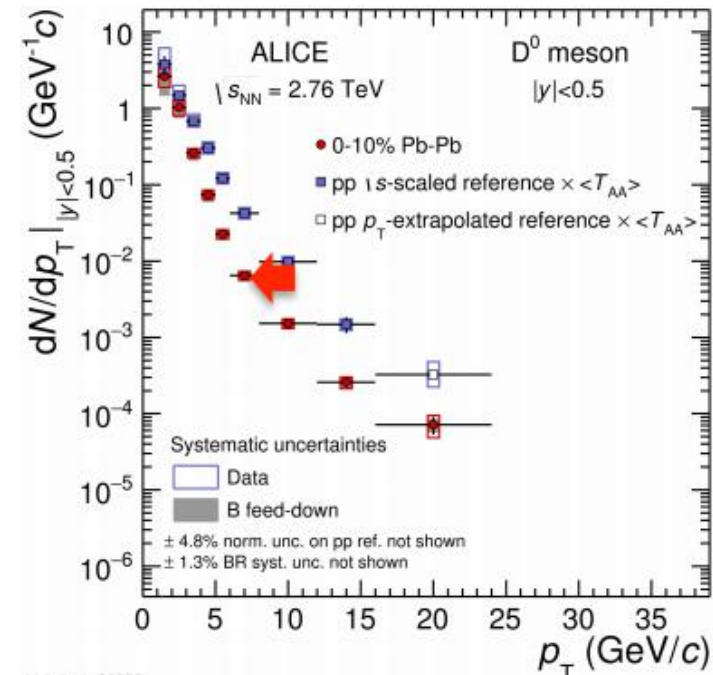
energy loss



“redshift” of the initial p_T spectrum



$R_{AA} < 1$ at moderate/high p_T



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- must measure observables with different sensitivity to the various ingredients
- physics program requires precise measurements in pp, p-A, A-A collisions
- interpretation of the results requires comparison with models

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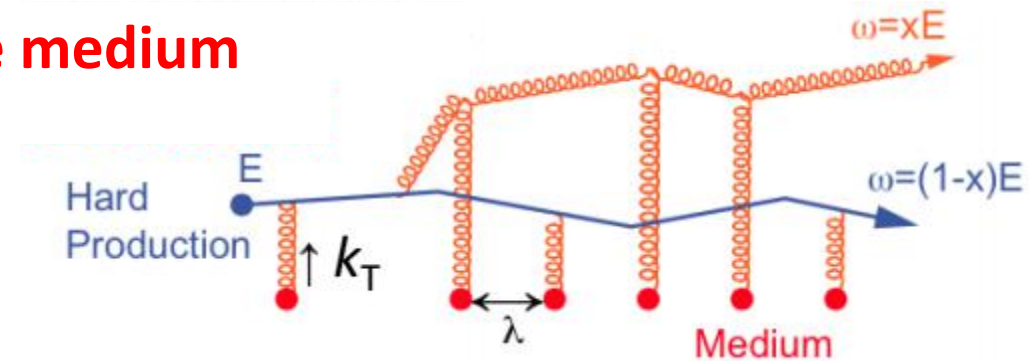
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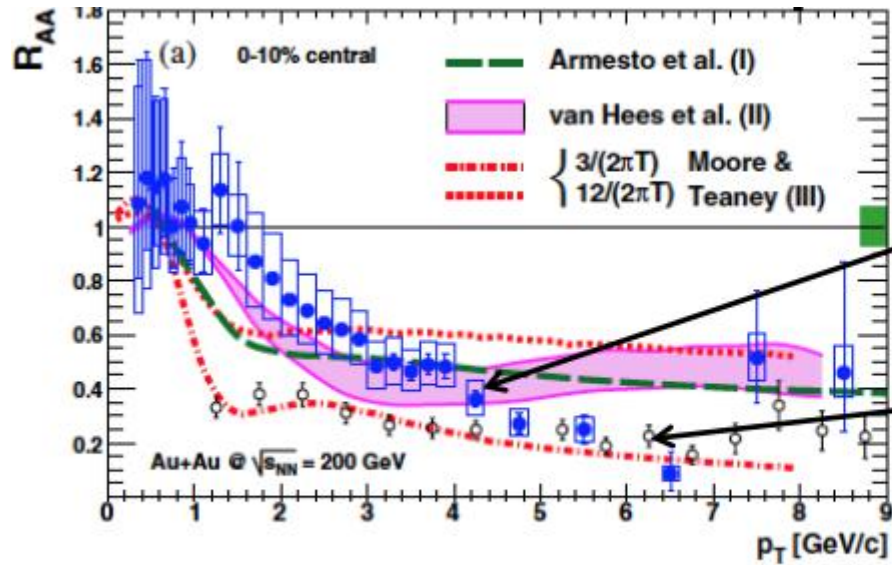
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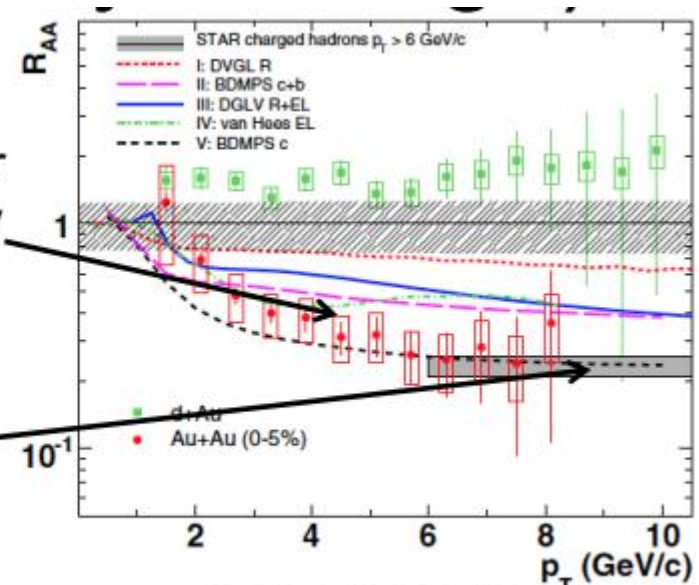
The RHIC surprise (>10 years ago)



PRL 98 172391 (2007)

Heavy-flavour
hadron decay
electrons

π^0 , charged
hadrons



PRL 98 192301 (2007)

Look at data: similar R_{AA} of heavy-flavor hadron decay electrons and π^0 /charged hadrons at moderate /high p_T

Look at model: they do incorporate proper initial spectrum and decay kinematics

Very difficult to describe data within a “radiative-only” scenario!!!

Collisional energy loss can play an important role for heavy quarks!!!

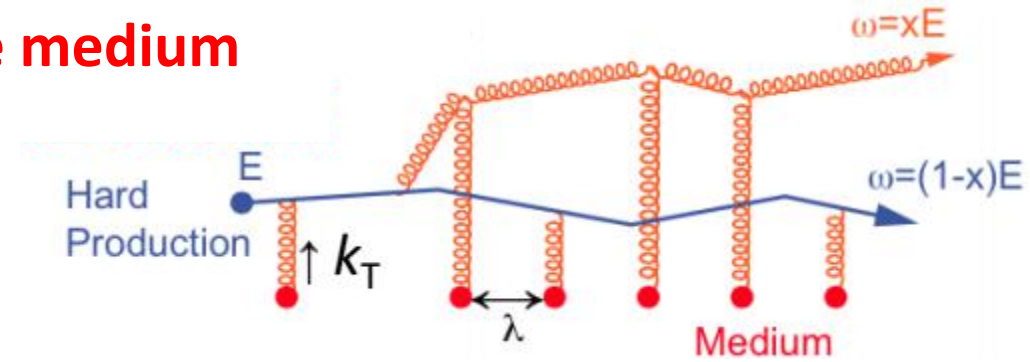
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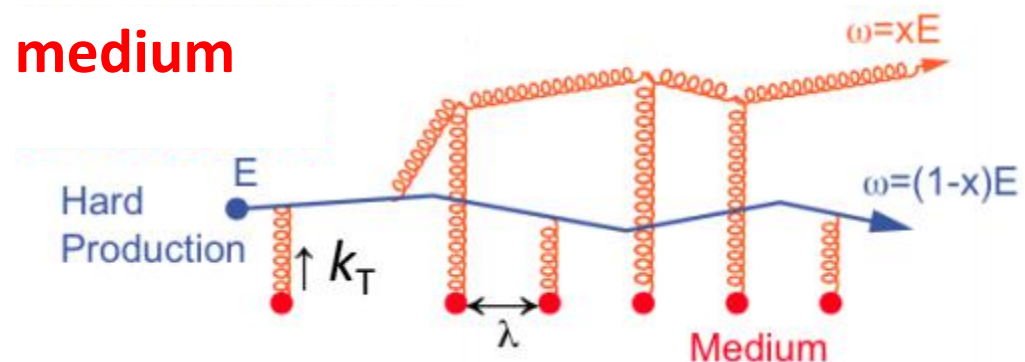
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energy loss hierarchy for different type parton ?

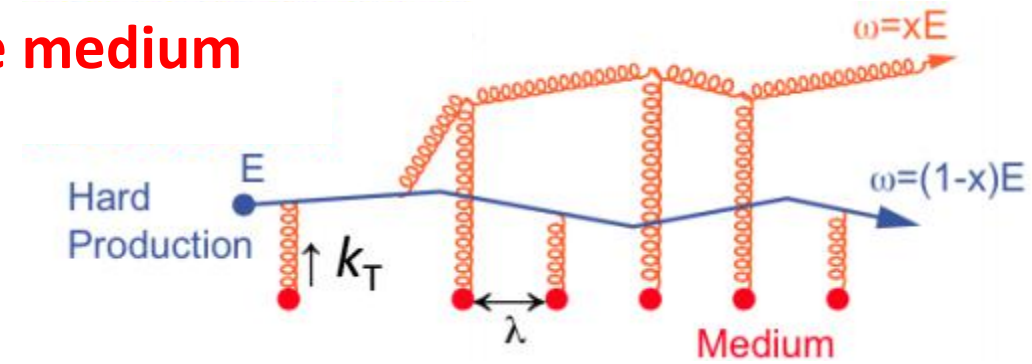


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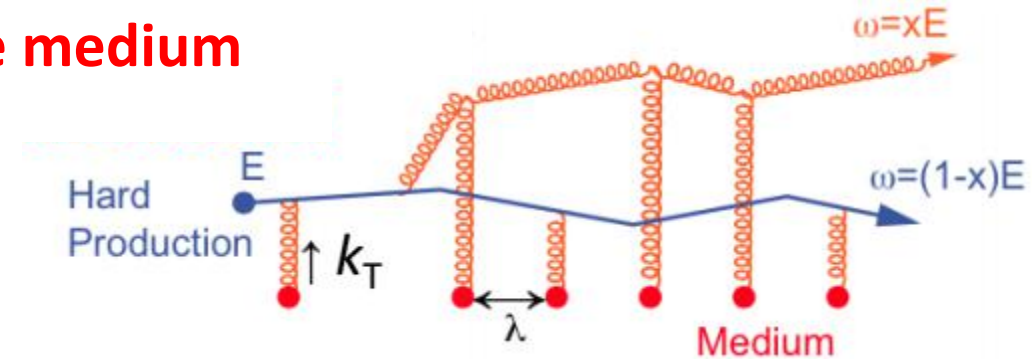


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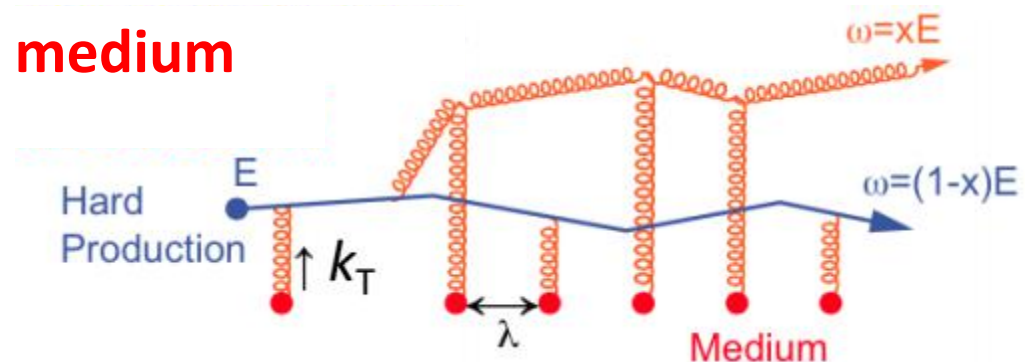
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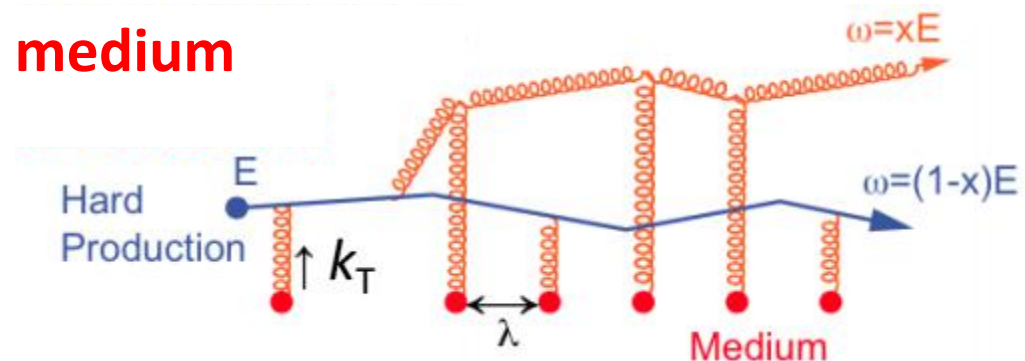
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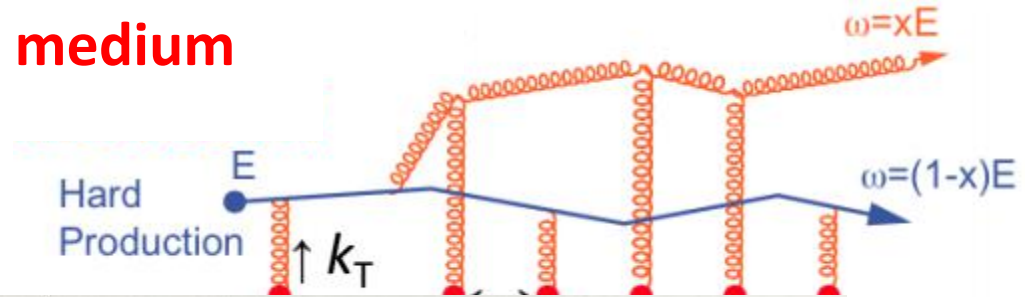


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Handwritten calculation for the process $gg \rightarrow gg$:

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 &= \frac{1}{8} \cdot \frac{1}{8} \cdot 9 \cdot \delta^{ee} \\
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Handwritten calculation for the process $qq' \rightarrow qq'$:

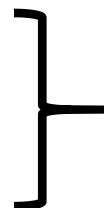
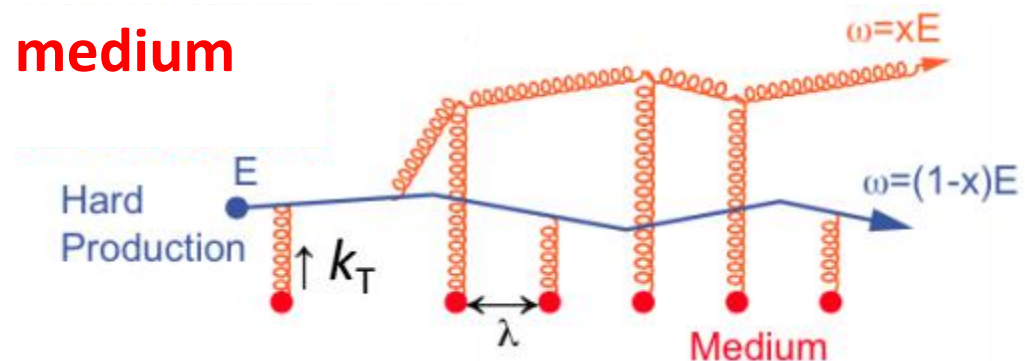
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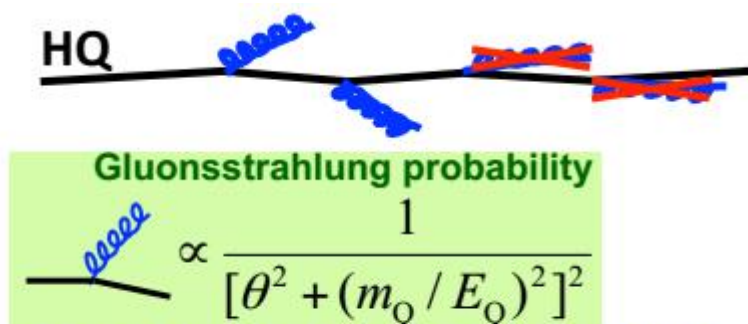
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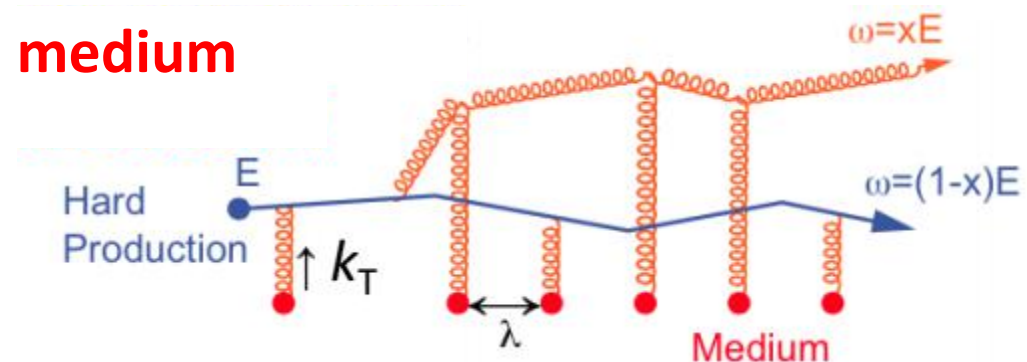
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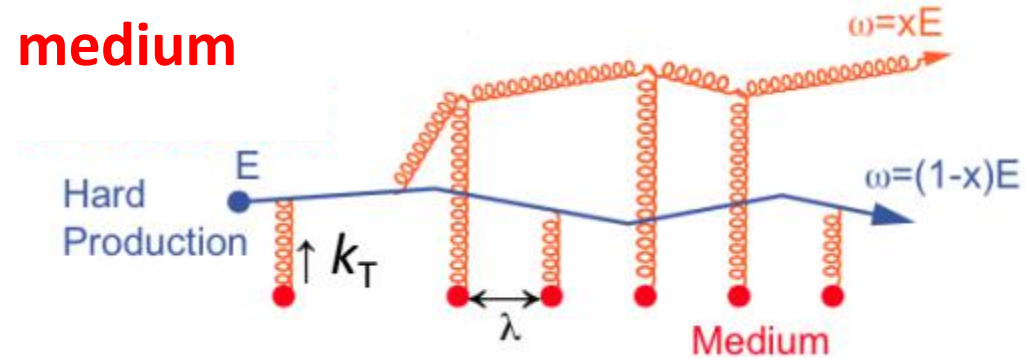


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Gluonsstrahlung probability

$$\propto \frac{1}{[\theta^2 + (m_Q / E_Q)^2]^2}$$

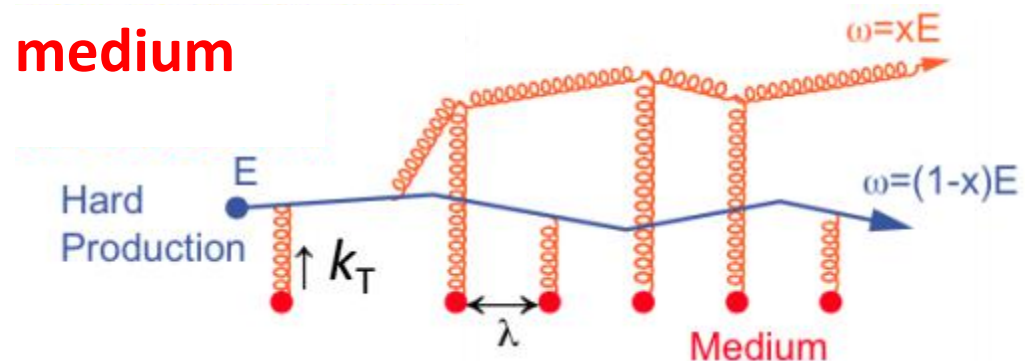
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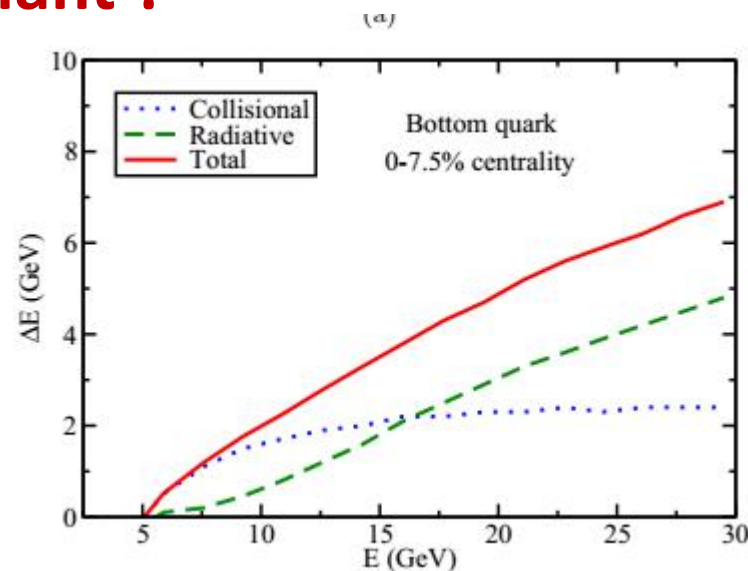
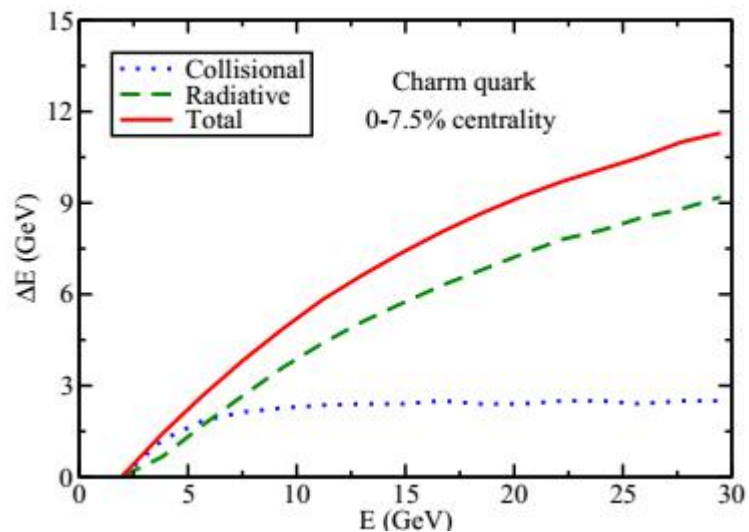
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- “Collision energy loss” dominant at low pt
- “Radiation energy loss” dominant at high pt

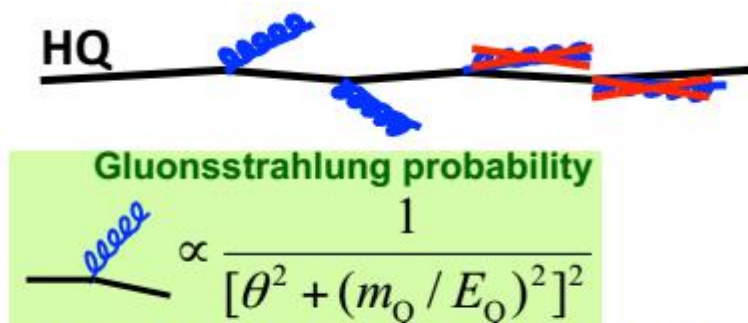
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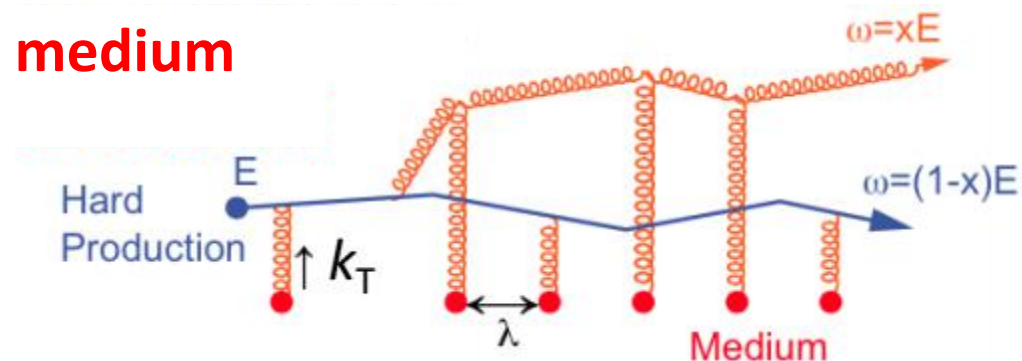
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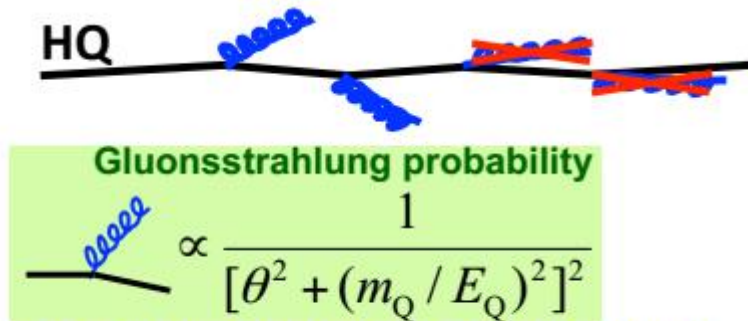
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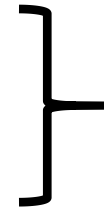
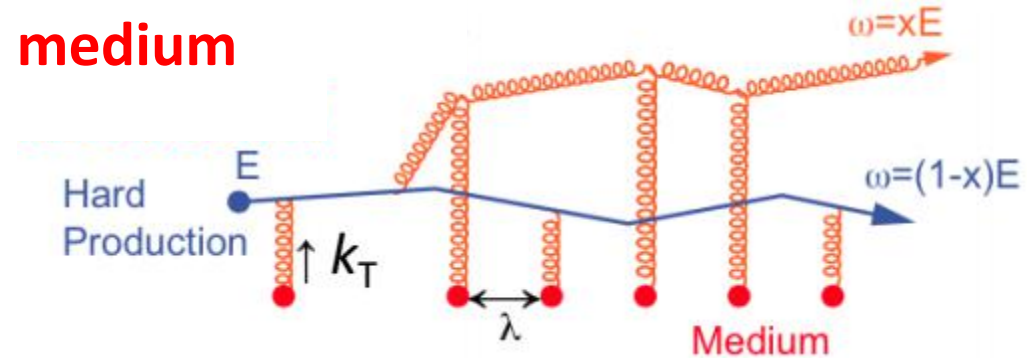
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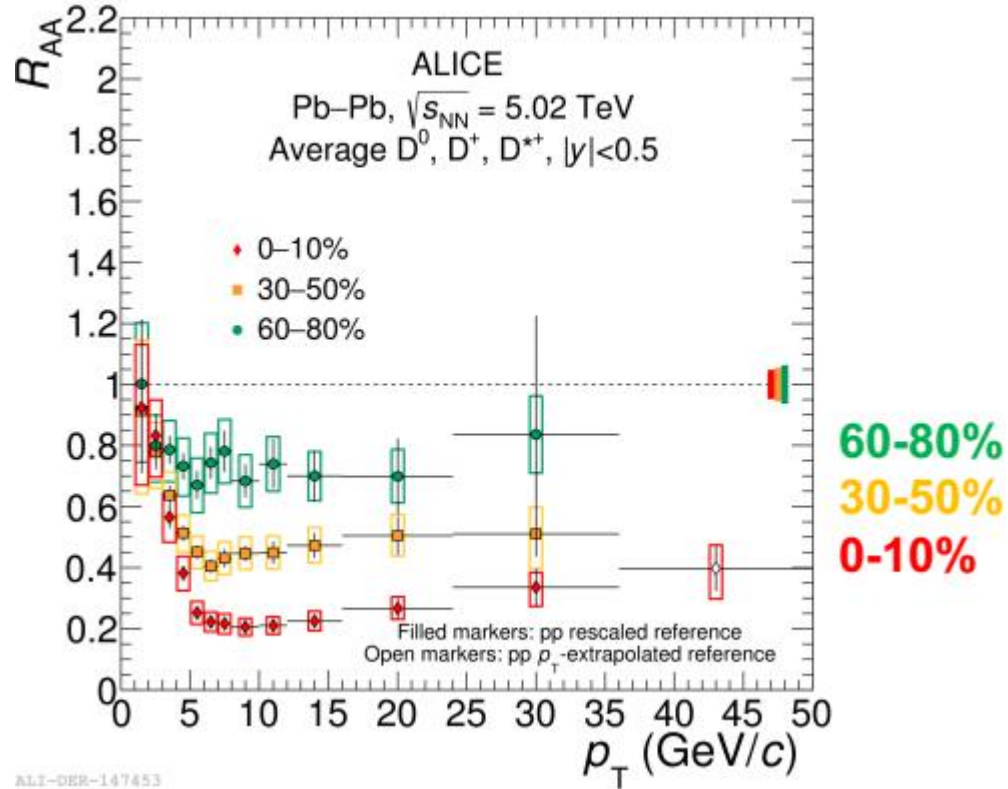


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Not straightforward!!!

Initial spectrum function + fragmentation functions
+ other different effects

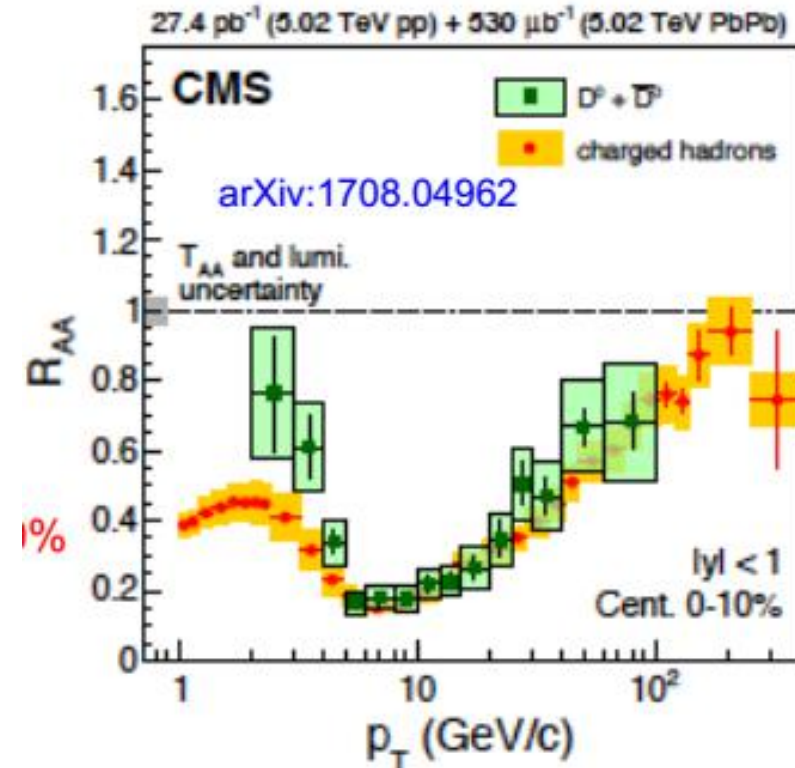
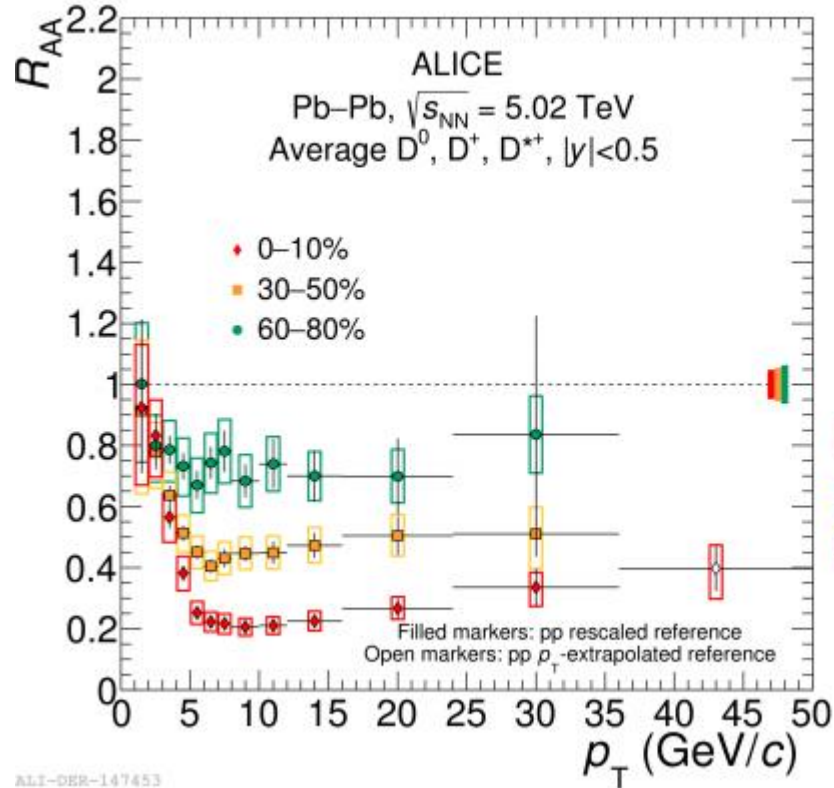
D-meson suppression at LHC



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- Very similar D-meson and charged-particle R_{AA} from $p_T \sim 5$ to 100 GeV/c

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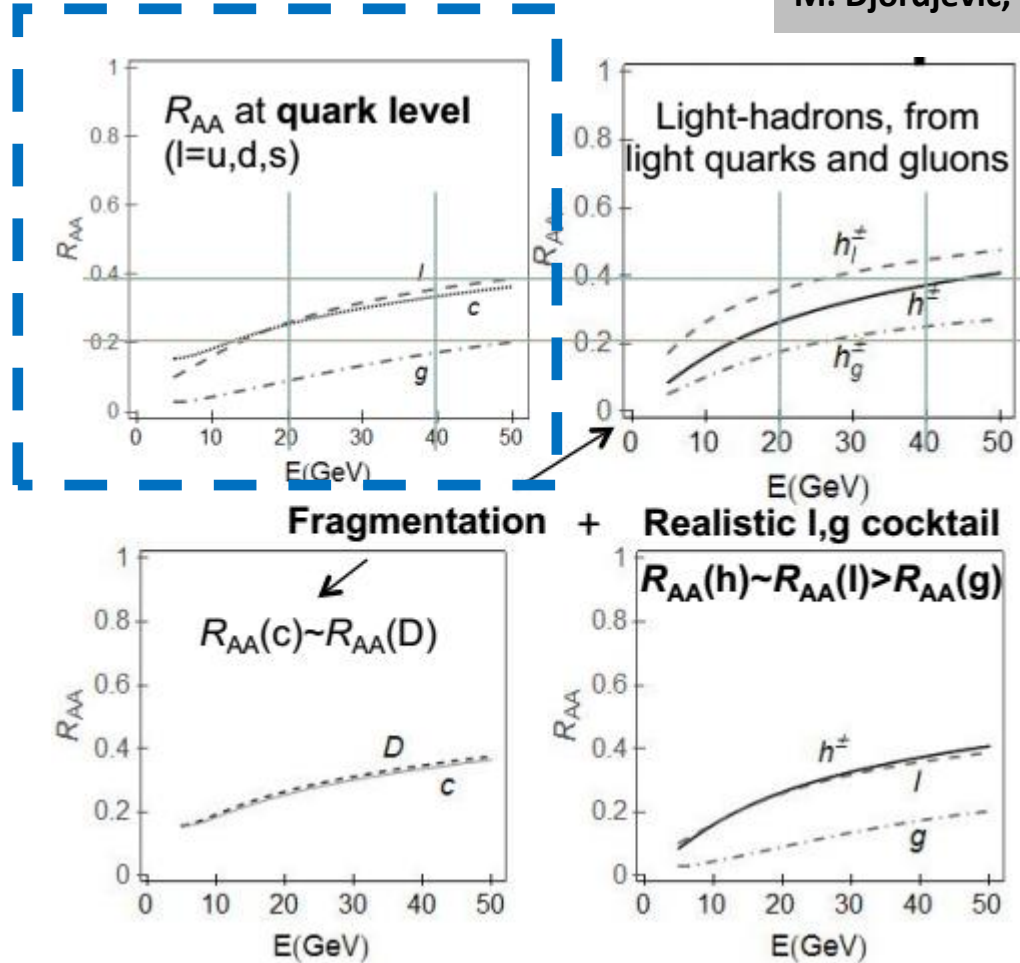
At high p_T

$$R_{AA}(\text{charged-particle}) \sim R_{AA}(D)$$

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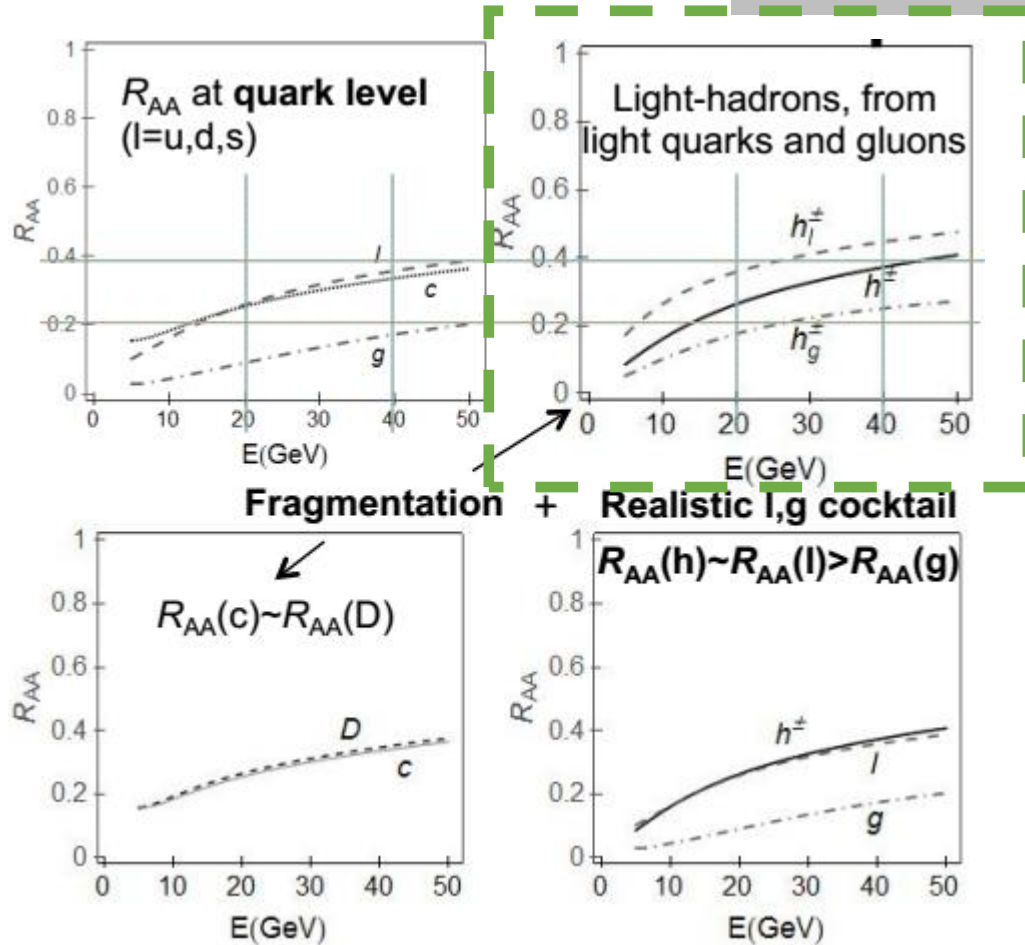
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(effect of different partonic spectra included!)

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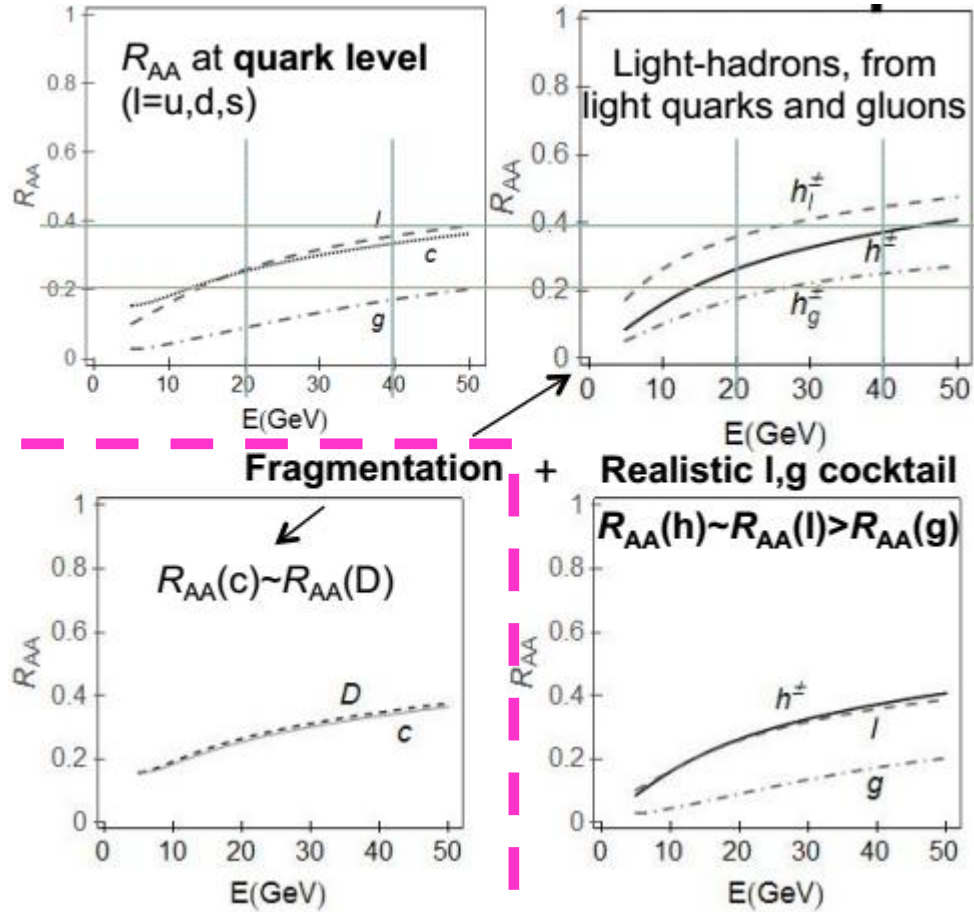
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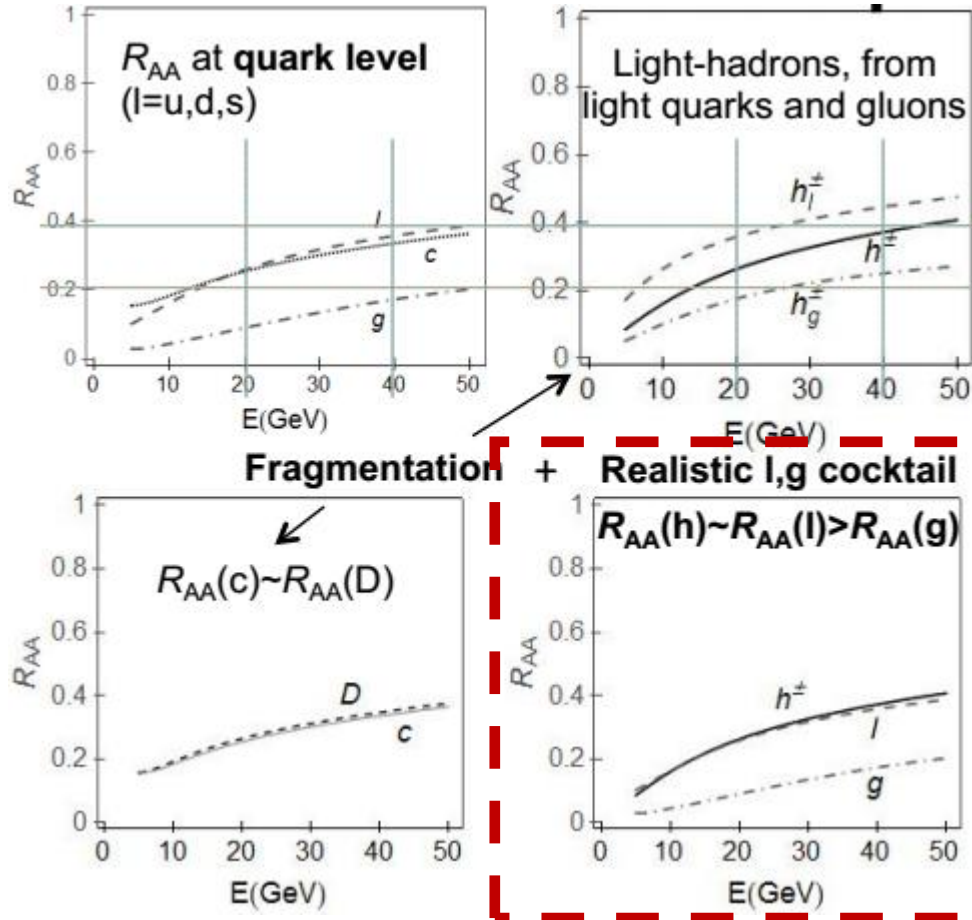
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Expected hierarchy at high pt

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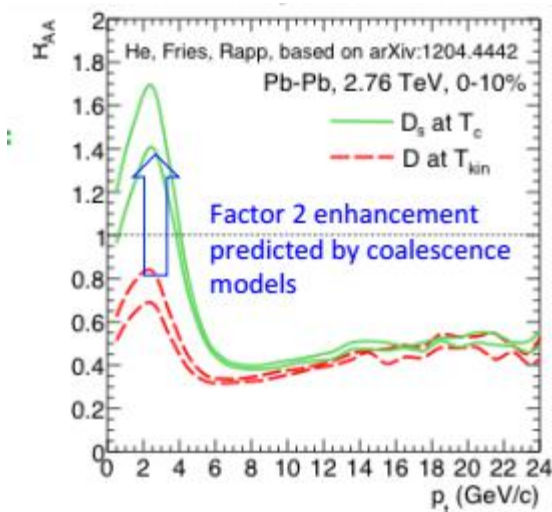
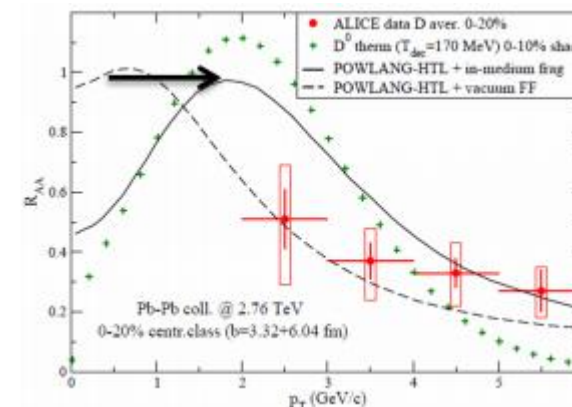
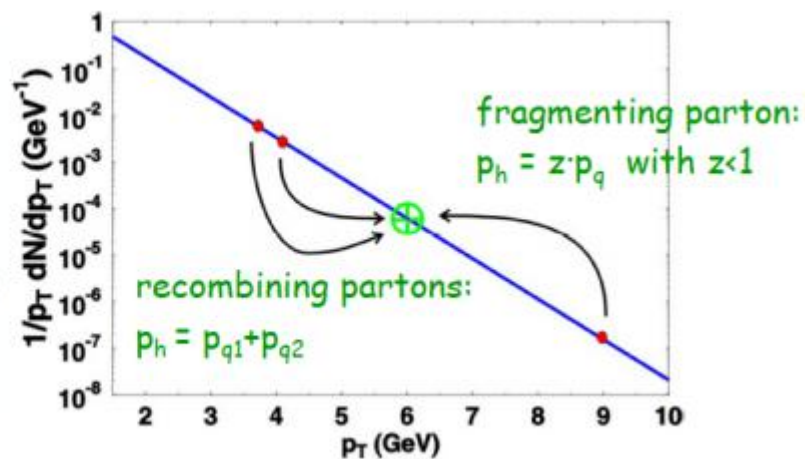
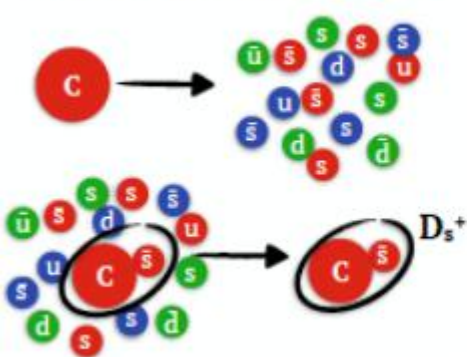
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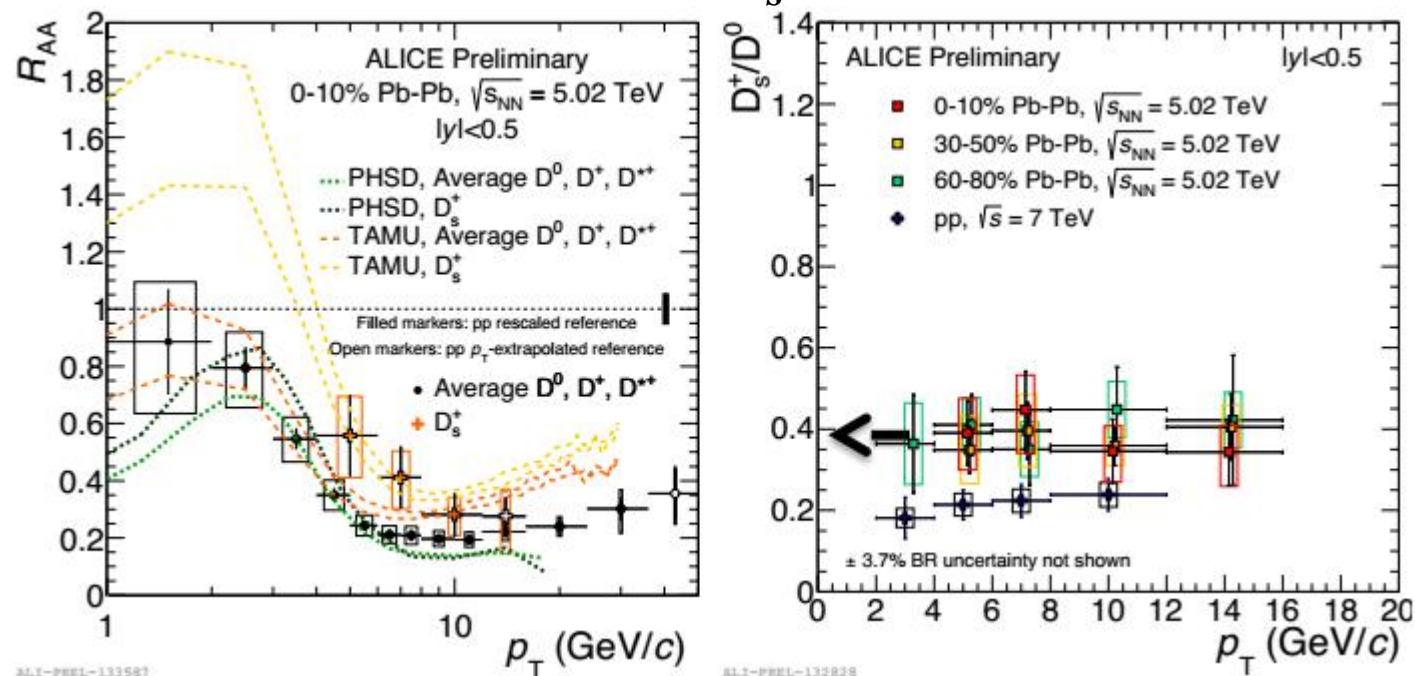
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- **Hadronization via coalescence**
 - Modify momentum distribution of HF-hadron
 - Radial flow “bump”
 - Enhanced HF-hadron v_2 (light parton contribution)
 - Modify “hadrochemistry”: D_s, Λ_c enhancement

Charm-quark coalescence

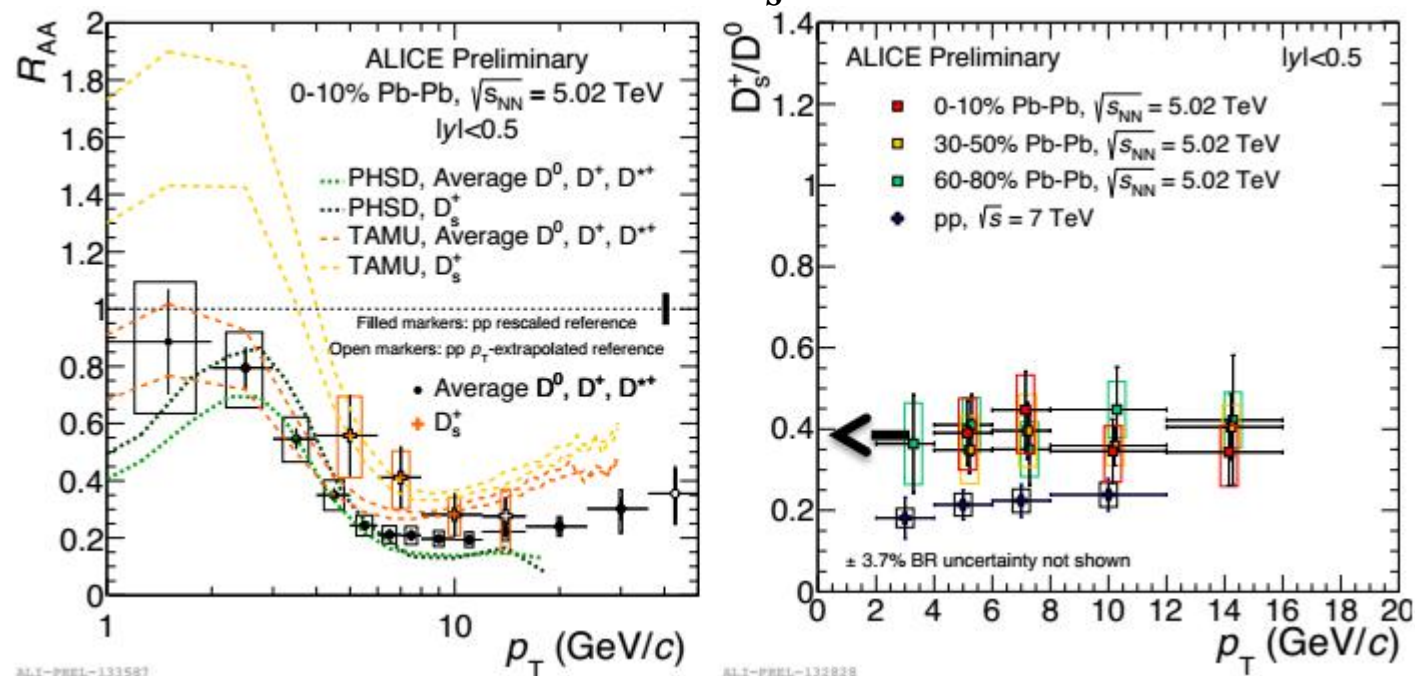


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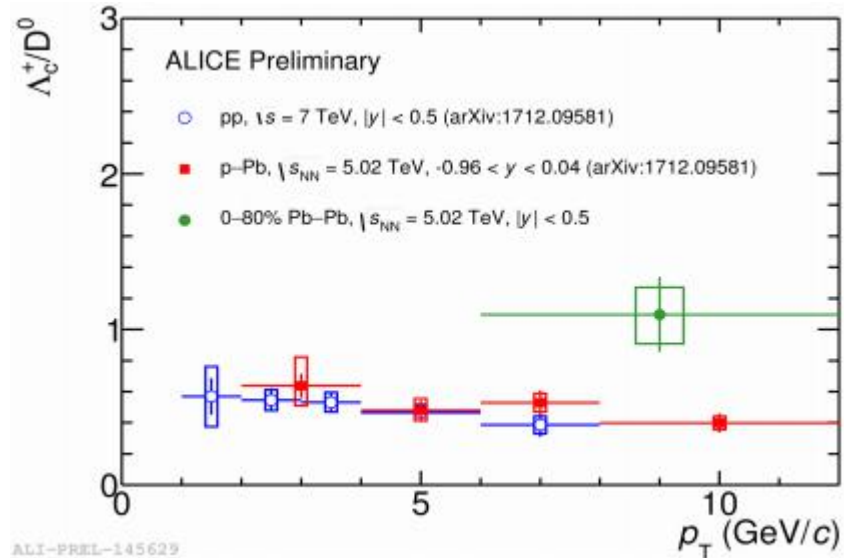
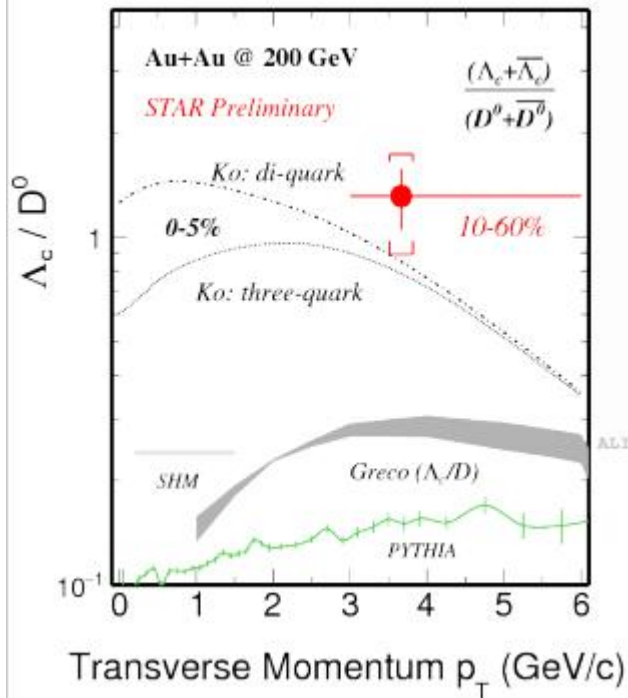
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- D^s / D^0 : no evidence for centrality dependence within uncertainties

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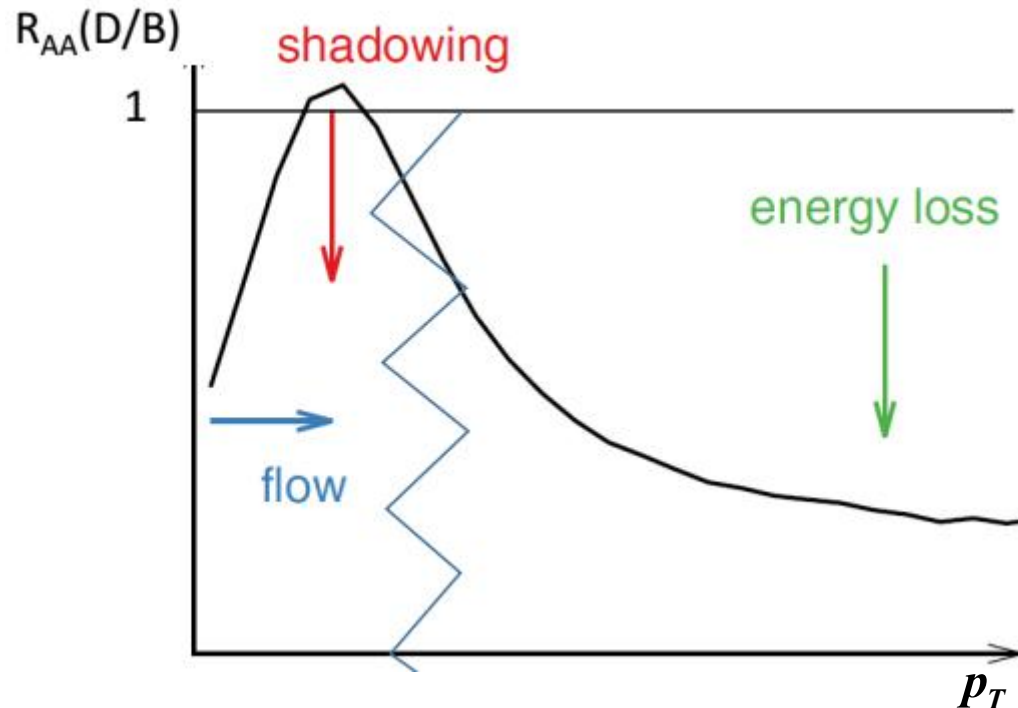


Models	System energy	Λ_c^+ / D^0
Oh et al.	Au-Au (central) 200 GeV	~ 0.35 ($p_T = 6$ GeV/c)
Ghosh et al.	RHIC and LHC	$0.15-0.2$ ($p_T = 9$ GeV/c)
Das et al.	Pb-Pb (0-20%) 5.5 TeV	~ 0.2 ($p_T = 9$ GeV/c)
Plumari et al.	Pb-Pb (0-20%) 2.76 TeV	$0.1-0.2$ ($p_T = 8$ GeV/c)

- Significant enhancement of Λ_c^+ / D^0 ratio compared to PYTHIA/vacuum-fragmentation baseline.
- Λ_c^+ / D^0 ratio expected from model: coalescence + thermalized charm quarks
- Similar value than that measured in Pb-Pb @5.02 TeV, hint of enhancement w.r.t pp and p-Pb
- Comparison with model: model tend to underestimate the data

Basic Consequence of HQ interaction with QGP for the R_{AA}

The pattern seen in the data



The acknowledged effects

Flow bump: due to

- (radial) flow of the medium and coupling at small p_T
- recombination with light quarks

shadowing: due to initial state nuclear effects (CNM)

Quenching & energy loss: due to

- elastic and inelastic scattering

Thank you !