

Appendix for Jets and HF Studies for ES

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Running Scenario

	Species	Energy (GeV)	Luminosity/year (fb-1)	Electron polarization	p/A polarization
YEAR 1	e+Ru or e+Cu	10 x 115	0.9	NO (Commissioning)	N/A
YEAR 2	e+D e+p	10 x 130	11.4 4.95 - 5.33	LONG	NO TRANS
YEAR 3	e+p	10 x 130	4.95 - 5.33	LONG	TRANS and/or LONG
YEAR 4	e+Au e+p	10 x 100 10 x 250	0.84 6.19 - 9.18	LONG	N/A TRANS and/or LONG
YEAR 5	e+Au e+3He	10 x 100 10 x 166	0.84 8.65	LONG	N/A TRANS and/or LONG

Note: the eA luminosity is per nucleon

- Plan to use:

- ep @ 10x130: $L \sim 10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$; eAu @ 10x100: $L \sim 1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- ep @ 10x250: $L \sim 10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

D Heavy flavor measurements and jets

- D.1 Jets in Cold Nuclear Matter
- D.2 Hadronization of charm quarks
- D.3 Heavy Flavor in Cold Nuclear Matter

Simulation Samples

ep @ 10x130: $L \sim 10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$; eAu @ 10x100: $L \sim 1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
 ep @ 10x250: $L \sim 5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

		10x100	10x130	10x250
ep	D0	✓✓	submitted	submitted
	Lc	✓✓		submitted
	DIS	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓
		10x100		
eAu	D0	✓✓		
	Lc	✓✓		
	DIS	✓✓		
		10x115		
eRu/Cu	DIS	✓✓		

Jets in Cold Nuclear Matter

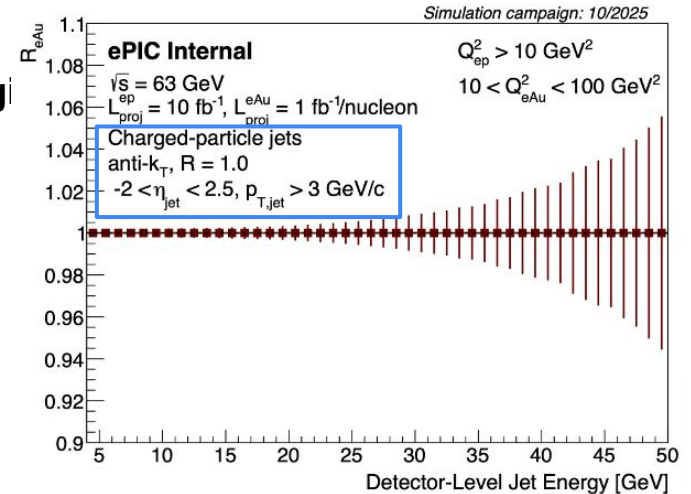
- **Jets Nuclear Modification Factor (R_{eA}):**
 - Initial state effects + Final state effects
 - Collisional energy loss, Radiative energy loss
 - Current plot for statistical projection in ES draft
 - e+p, e+Au, 10x100, October campaign
 - Plot to be updated with new samples

$$\text{Nuclear modification factor: } R_{eA} = \frac{\sigma_{eA}}{A \times \sigma_{ep}}$$

Include theoretical predictions

Data Sample for ES

- eAu @ 10x100: $L \sim 1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$, ep @ 10x130: $L \sim 10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- **Binning in different (x_B, Q^2) due to different energy**
- **Apply a reweighting based on (x_B, Q^2)**



Excellent statistical precision on the nuclear modification factor

ePIC will provide unique sensitivity to jet modification in cold nuclear matter

Jets in Cold Nuclear Matter

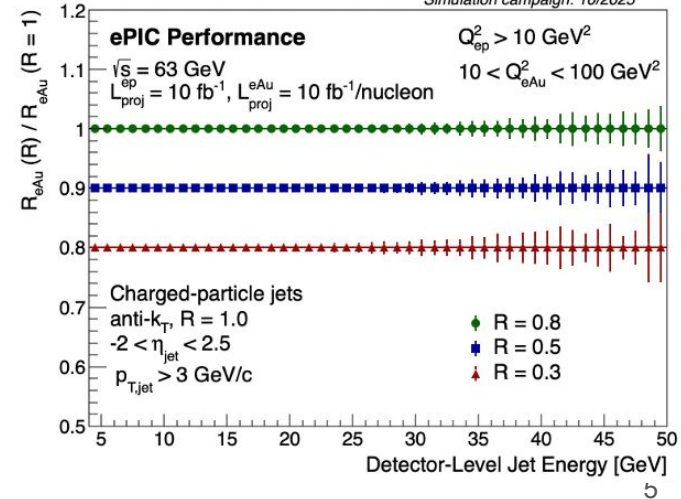
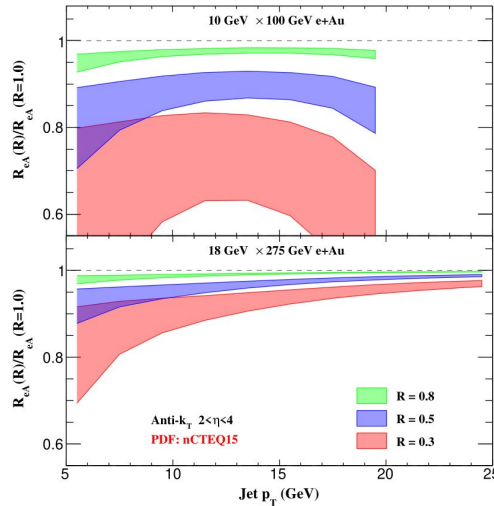
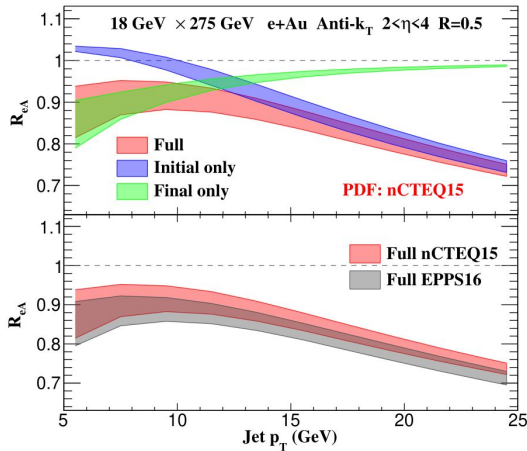
- Jets R_{eA} for different Jet Radii: Accessing Final State Effects

- Observable
 - R_{eAu} for different jet radii (initial effects cancel out, remaining final state effects)
- Current plot for statistical projection in ES draft
 - e+p, e+Au, 10x100, October campaign
 - Plot to be updated with new samples
- Request theoretical predictions

Excellent statistical precision on the Ratio

Include theoretical predictions

Hai Tao Li, Ze Long Liu, Ivan Vitev [arXiv:2110.04858](https://arxiv.org/abs/2110.04858) [hep-ph]



Energy-Energy Correlator

- Energy-energy Correlator (EEC_{e+Au}/EEC_{e+p})
 - How the energy carried by particles is correlated as a function of their angular separation in an event
 - Cold nuclear matter effects
 - First look using October campaign ep, eAu @ 10x100 data
 - For ES: eAu @ 10x100: $L \sim 1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$, ep @ 10x130: $L \sim 10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

To be included in ES

EEC in ep is sensitive:
 Perturbative (small R_L), Transition (intermediate R_L), Non-perturbative (large R_L)

- Initial-state effects (nPDF)
- Final-state effects (switched off in BeAGLE)

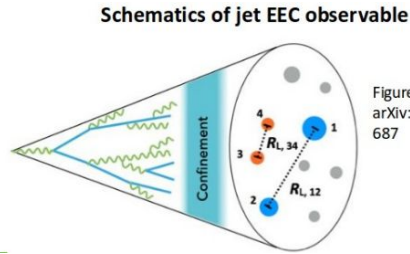


Figure from arXiv: 2409.12687

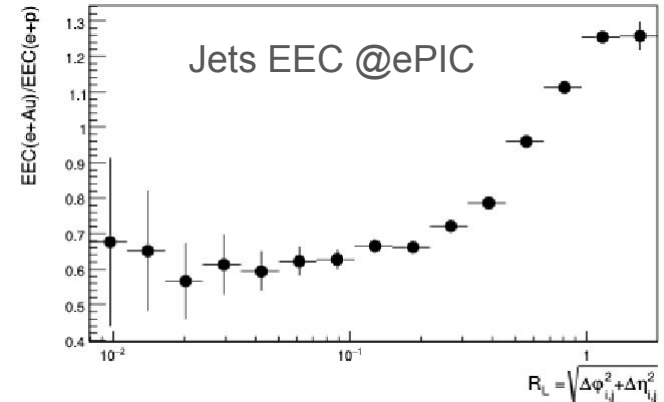
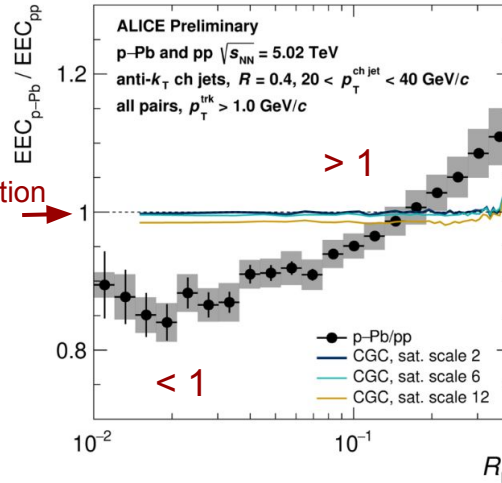
$$EEC(R_L) = \frac{1}{p_{T,jet}^2} \sum_{i < j} p_{T,i} p_{T,j} \delta(R_L - R_{ij})$$

$$R_{ij} = \sqrt{(\eta_i - \eta_j)^2 + (\phi_i - \phi_j)^2}$$

R_{ij} : Angular distance between i and j tracks

[arXiv:2510.16195](https://arxiv.org/abs/2510.16195) [nucl-ex]

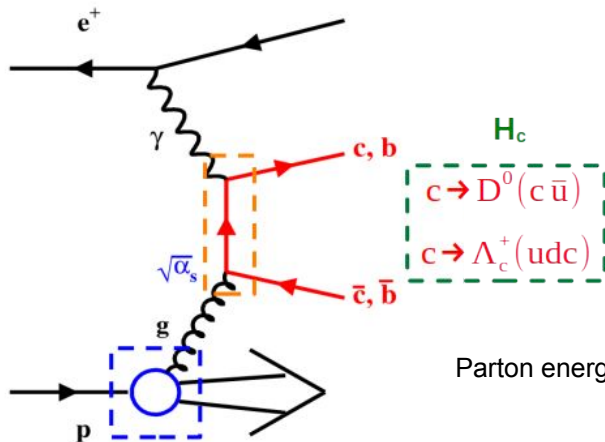
Red modification →



Charm-quark Hadronization

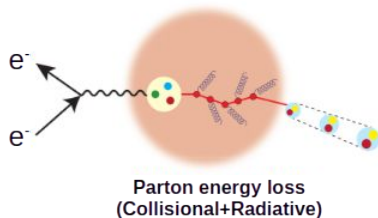
- Λ_c/D^0 ratio in e+p collisions

Photon-Gluon Fusion (PGF)



<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.pnpnp.2015.06.002>

Parton energy loss (Collisional+Radiative)



QCD Factorization Approach (PGF)

$$d\sigma_{\gamma p \rightarrow H_c X}^{PGF} = F_{g/p} \otimes d\sigma_{\gamma g \rightarrow c\bar{c}} \otimes D_{c \rightarrow H_c}$$

$F_{g/p}(x, \mu^2)$: Parton Distribution Function (PDF)

$d\sigma$: Hard parton scattering cross section for PGF

$D_{c \rightarrow H_c}(z, \mu^2)$: Fragmentation function (Hadronization)

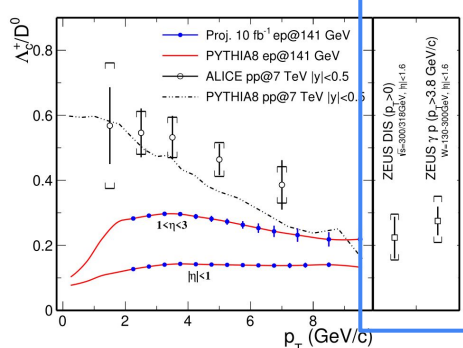
Fragmentation variable:
$$z = \frac{P_{H_c}}{p_c}$$

- Hadronization in ep and eA collisions

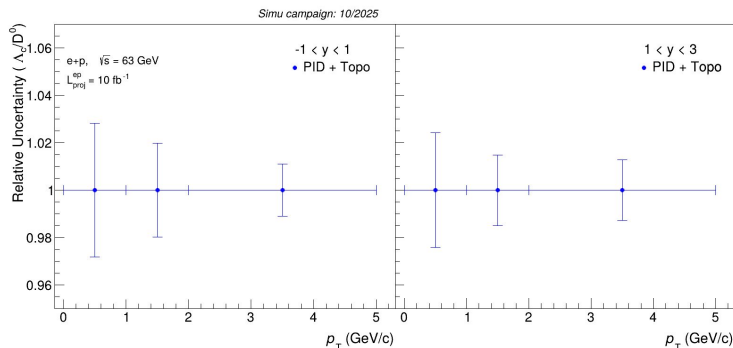
- R_{eA} vs p_T , x_B , and z
- Shadowing, multiple scattering, gluon saturation
- Energy loss and hadronization in CNM

Hadronization of charm quarks

Fast simulation

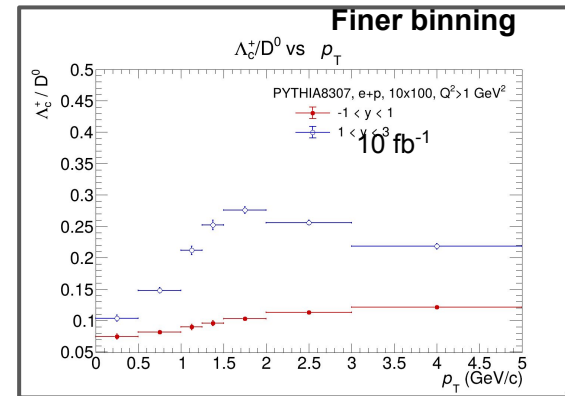
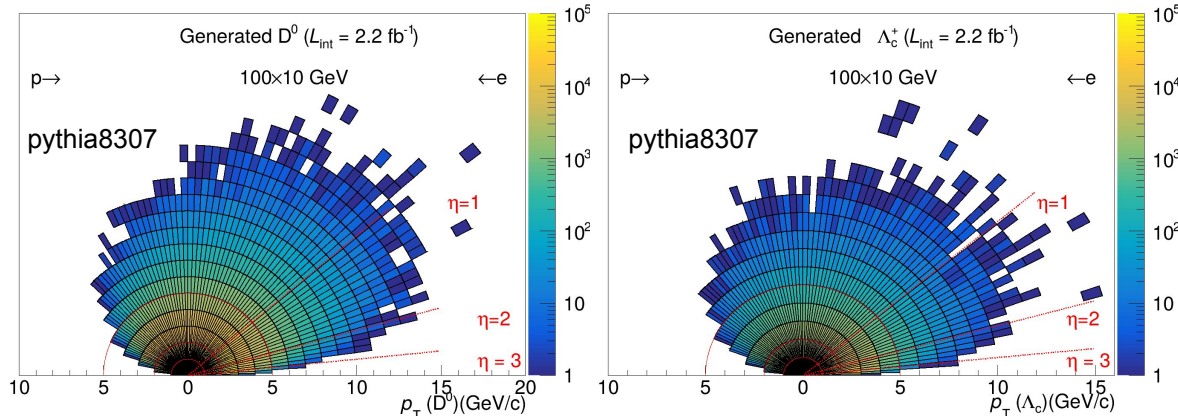


[arXiv:2102.08337](https://arxiv.org/abs/2102.08337) [nucl-ex]



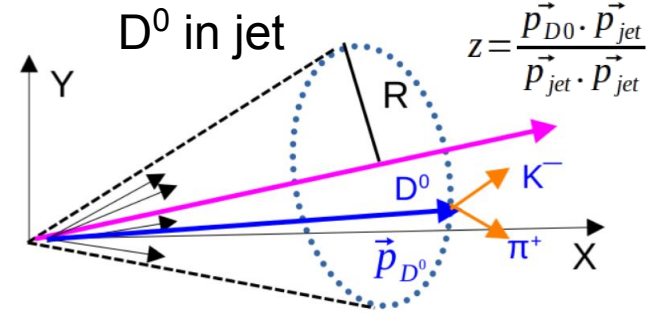
- Good statistical precision
- Ratio shows rapidity and p_T dependence
- Change energy: e+p, 10x250, 5 fb^{-1}
- Further hadronization modification in nuclear matter with different environment

Events = 1B



● Hadronization of charm-quark in eA collisions

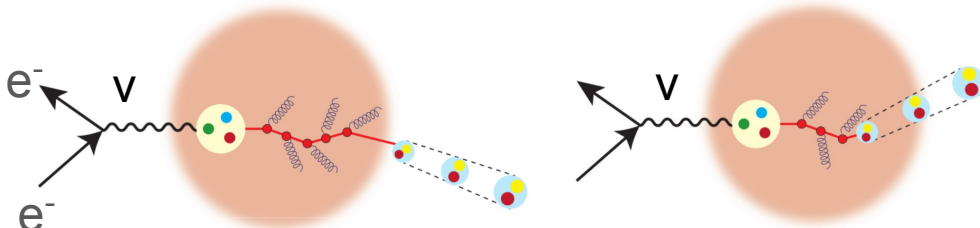
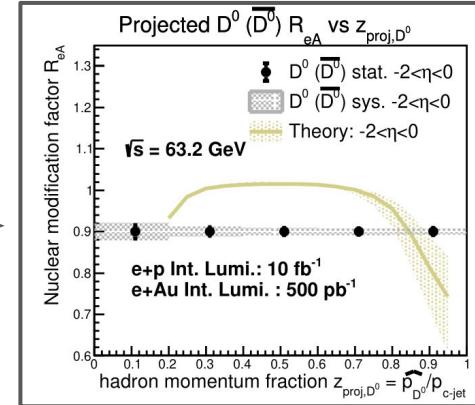
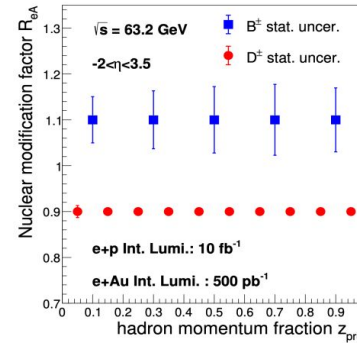
- Prehadron absorption inside the nuclear matter
- Heavy-quark energy loss
- Observable R_{eAu} vs z (fragmentation variable) for different v range
- eAu @ 10x100: $L \sim 1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$, ep @ 10x130: $L \sim 10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



[arXiv:2501.18044](https://arxiv.org/abs/2501.18044) [nucl-ex]

Request predictions Placeholder figure

Projected hadron R_{eA} vs z_{proj}



[arXiv:hep-ph/0311220](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/0311220)

Alberto Accardi, [arXiv:nucl-th/0609010](https://arxiv.org/abs/nucl-th/0609010)

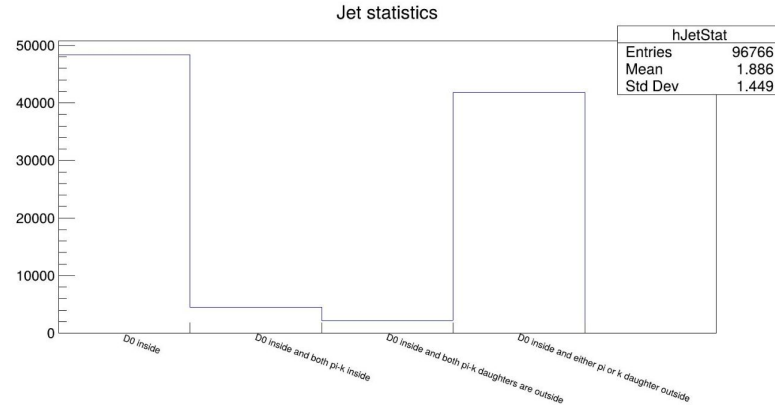
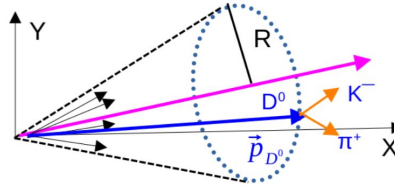
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$R_A(p_T)$ binned in z_h : Probes hadron formation length (inside vs outside the nucleus)

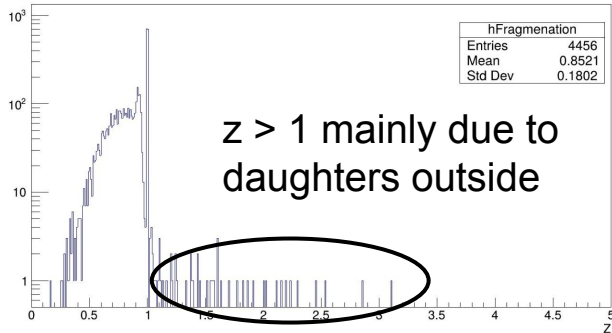
Heavy Flavor in Cold Nuclear Matter

Work in progress

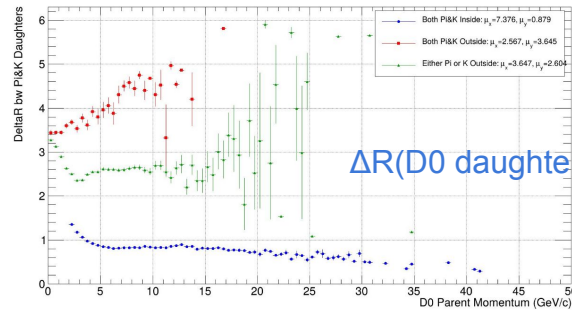
- Charged jet reconstruction with anti- k_T algorithm (default)
 - Radius parameter 1
 - Study of matching D^0 with the jet
 - One of the daughters is outside ($z > 1$)
 - Perform jet reconstruction using D^0 -meson tagging



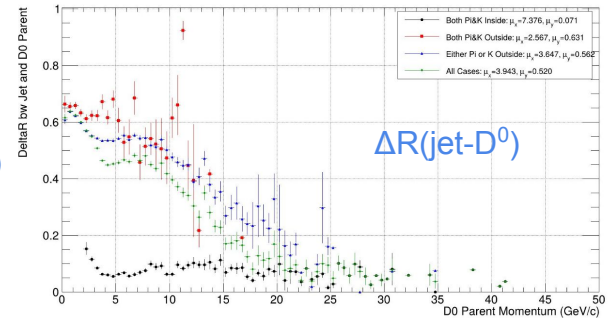
Fragmentation Variable (Z):



D^0 Parent Momentum Vs DeltaR bw Pi&K Daughters



D^0 Parent Momentum Vs DeltaR bw Jet and D^0 Parent



Summary and Future Steps

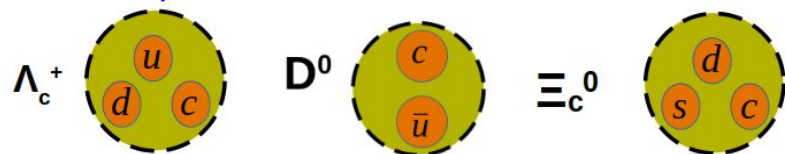
- **Physics analyses rather than performance**
 - **Jet Nuclear Modification (R_{eA}):** nPDF effects + final-state energy loss in CNM (Dener)
 - **Jet R_{eA} ratio between different radii:** final-state energy loss (Dener)
 - **$D^0 R_{eA}$ vs. z :** nuclear absorption vs. energy loss (Gurtaj, Shyam, Rongrong)
 - **Λ_c/D^0 ratio in ep:** charm quark hadronization (Shyam)
 - **D^0 jet Energy-energy Correlator (EEC) in ep/eAu:** (Xuan)
- Polish the text
- Systematics
- Further request theorists for predictions in progress

Thank you for your attention!

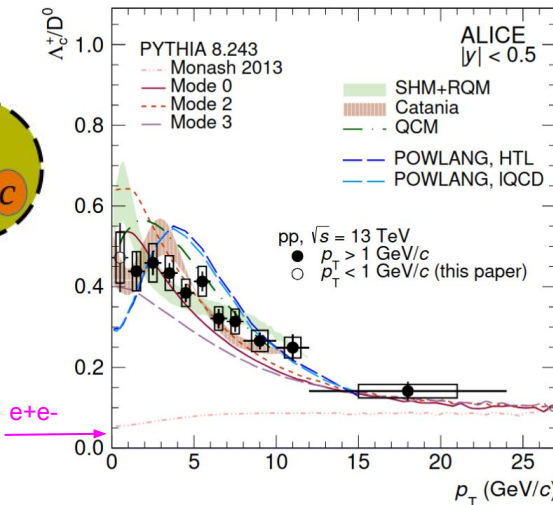
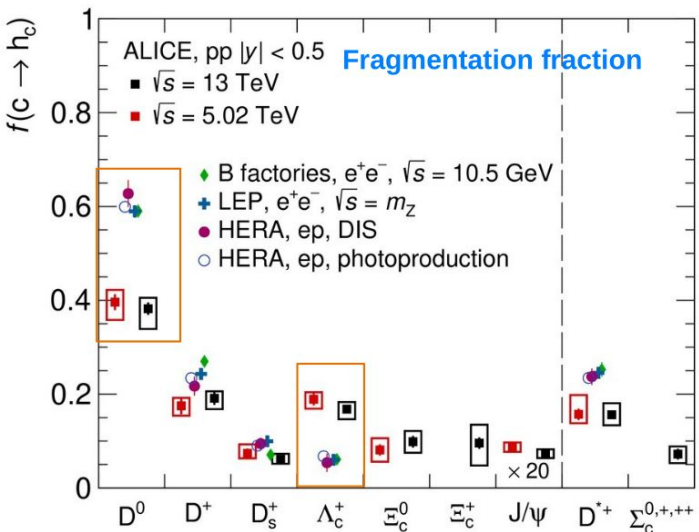
Charm-quark Hadronization

Charm quark hadronization=>Charm mesons/baryons

Prompt charm hadrons



Violation of universality of fragmentation fraction

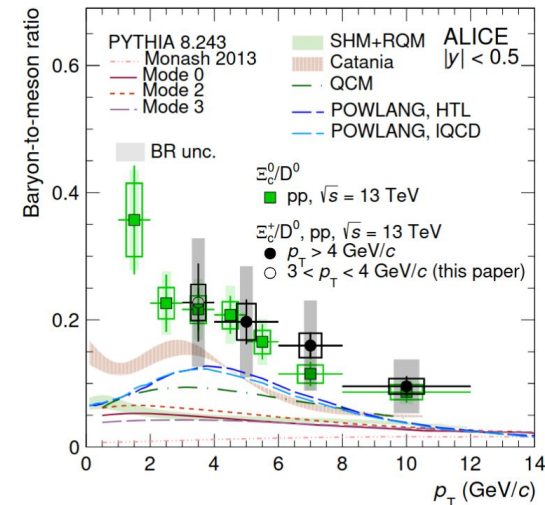


$$0.113 \pm 0.013 \pm 0.006$$

LEP average, EPJC 75, 19 (2015)

$$\left(\frac{\Lambda_c^+}{D^0} \right)_{e^+e^-} \approx \frac{f(c \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+)}{f(c \rightarrow D^0)} \approx \frac{0.065}{0.59} \approx 0.11$$

Violation of universality of fragmentation function?



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