

Separating quark and gluon jet distributions in heavy-ions

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Based on:

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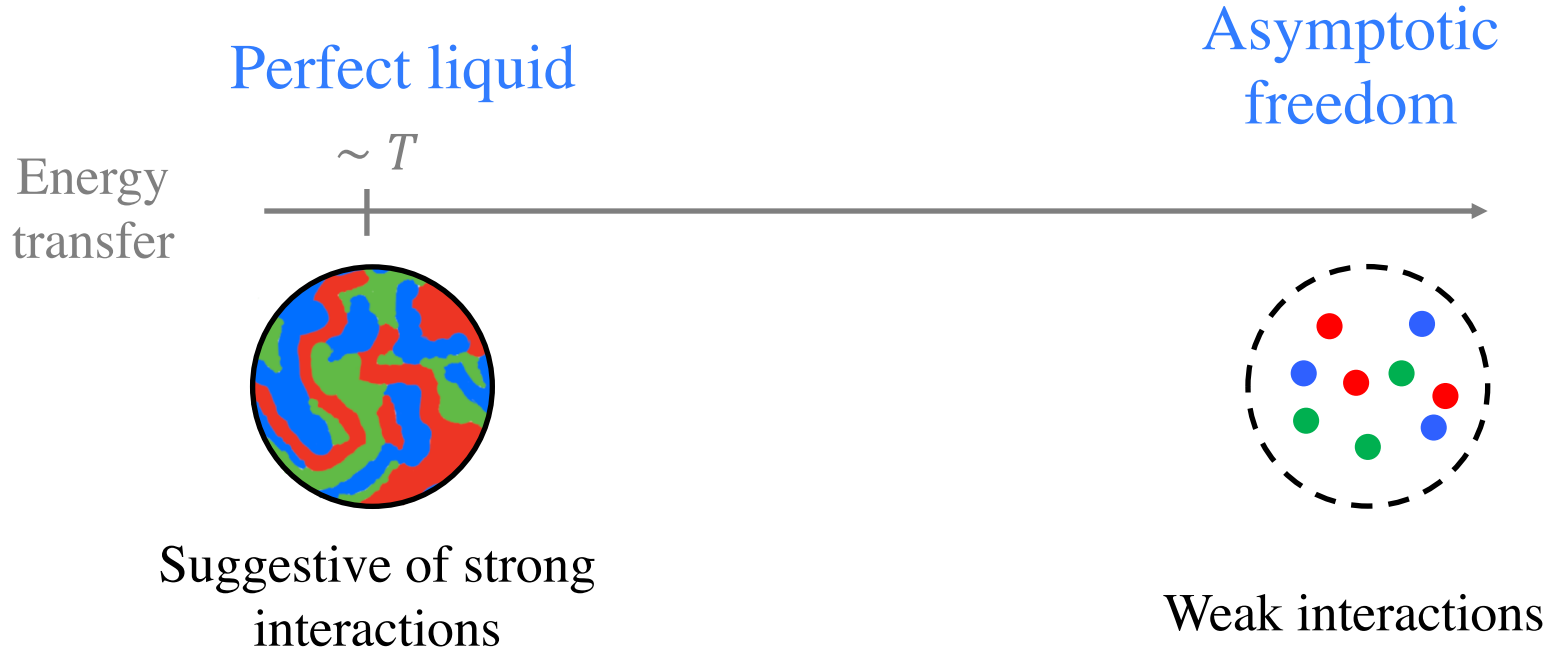
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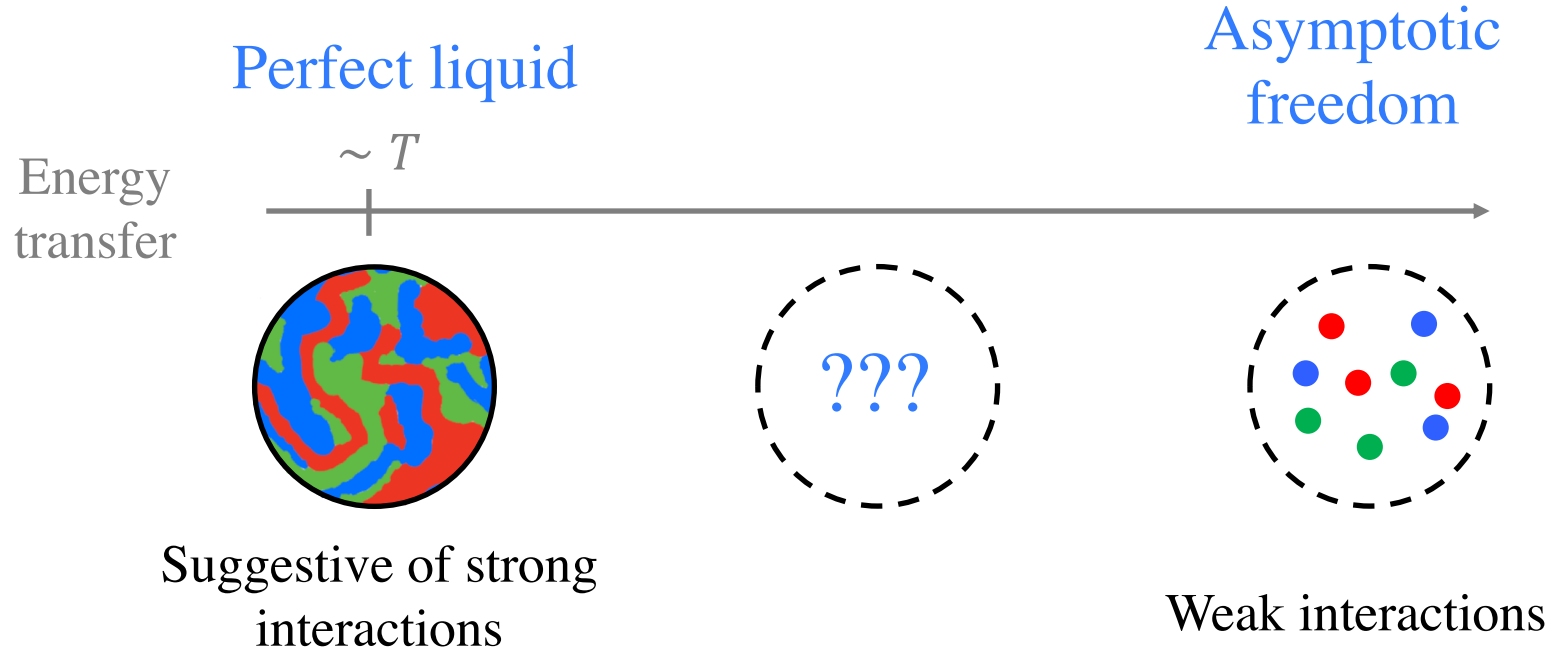
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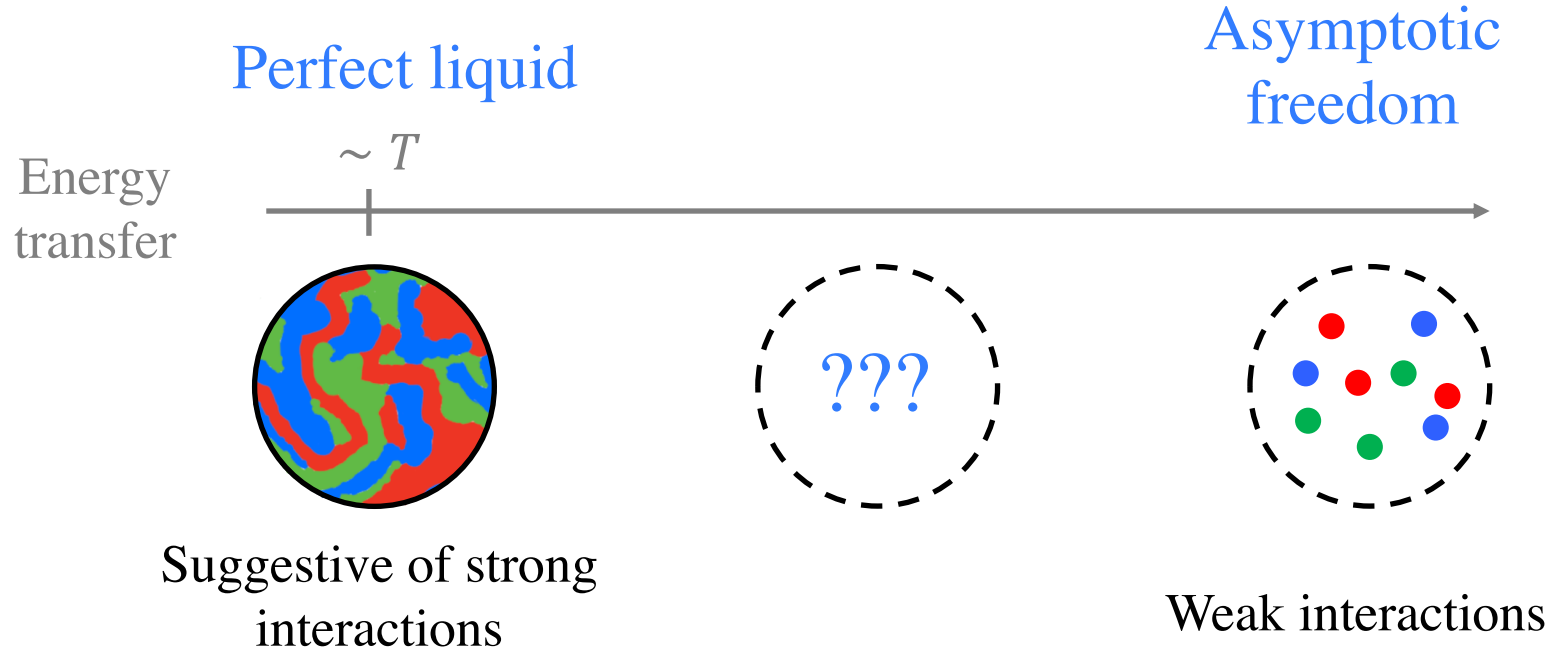
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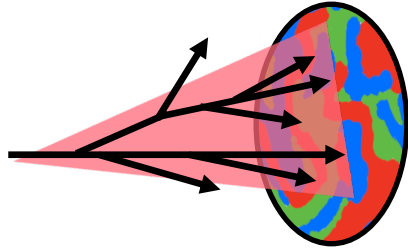
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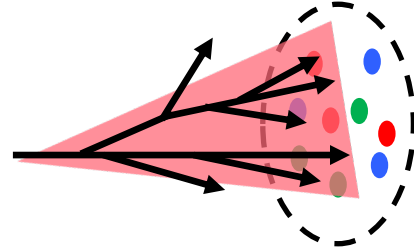
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Use quark and gluon jets as a (colored) probe of the (color) structure of the QGP



Strong interactions



Weak interactions

In pQCD picture energy loss difference given by ratio of color charges

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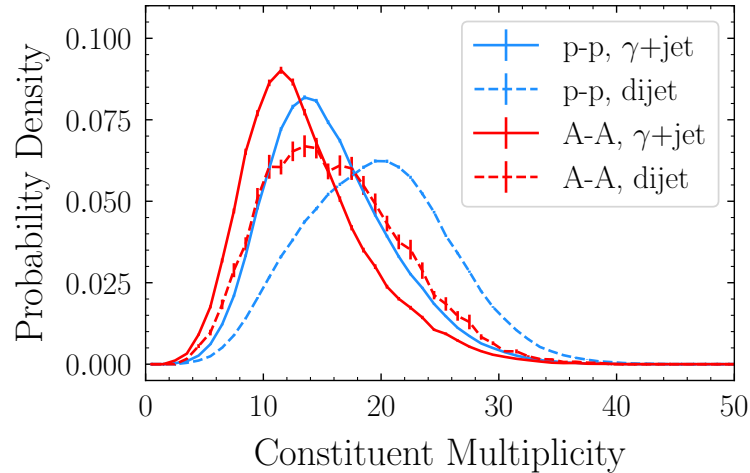
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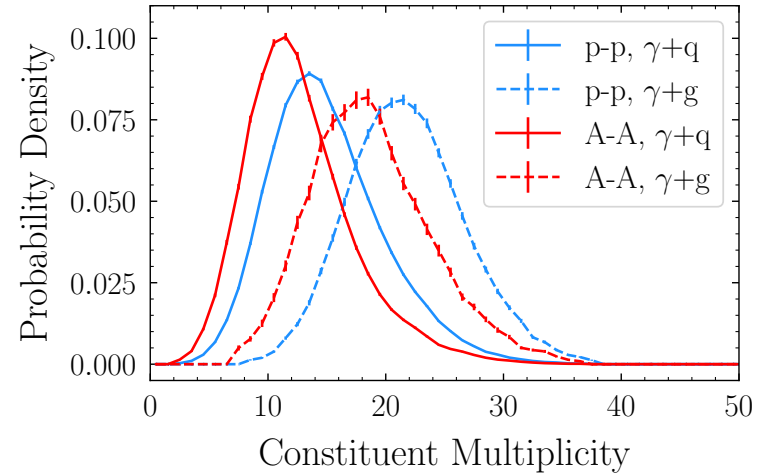
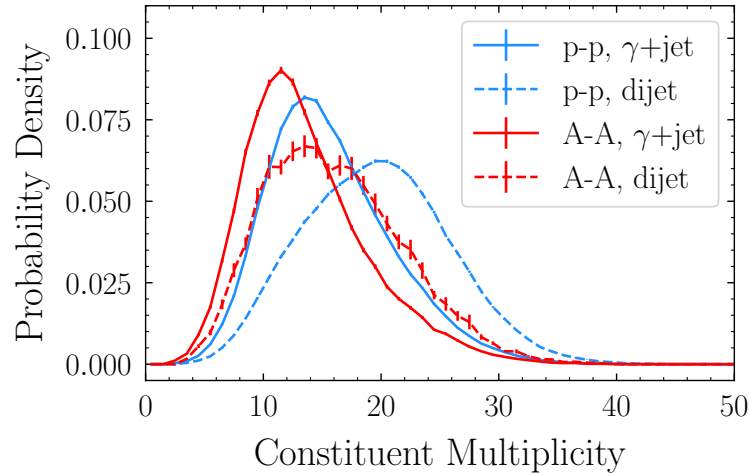
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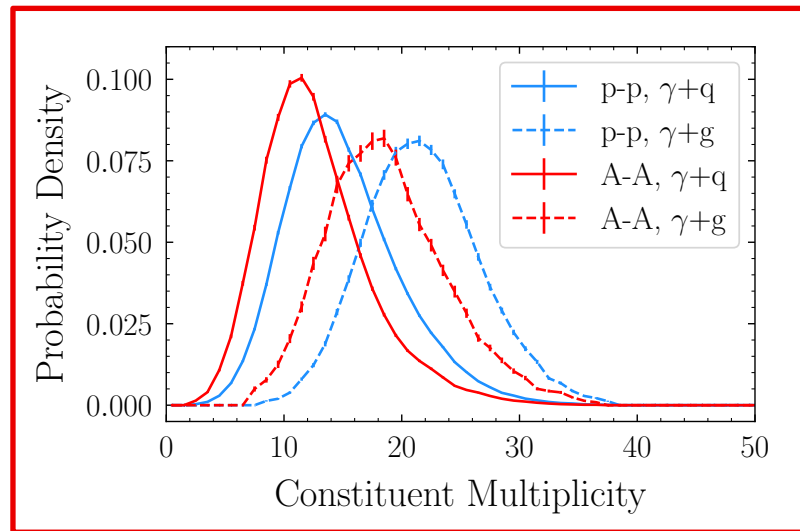
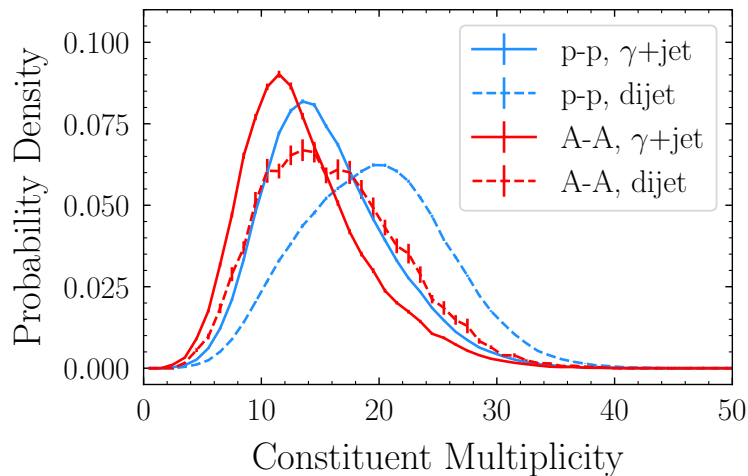
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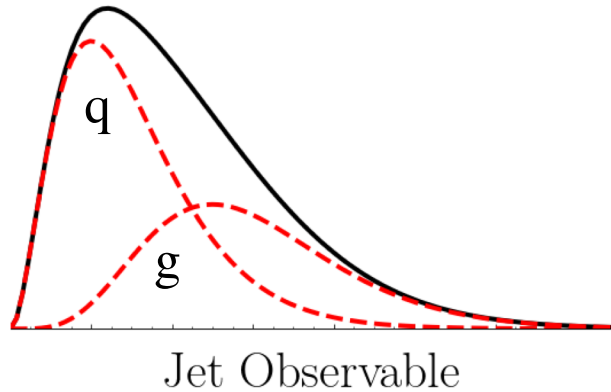
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How to access fractions and distributions separately in experiment?

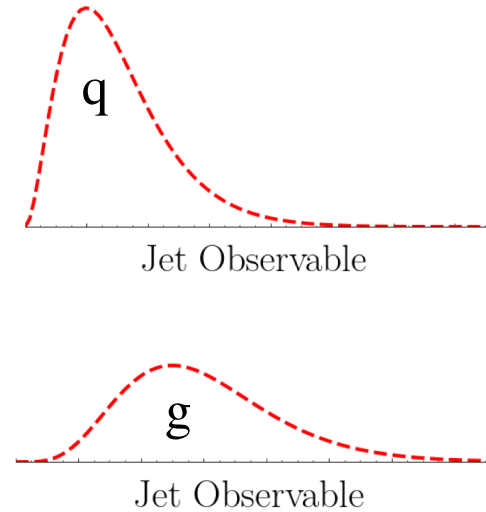
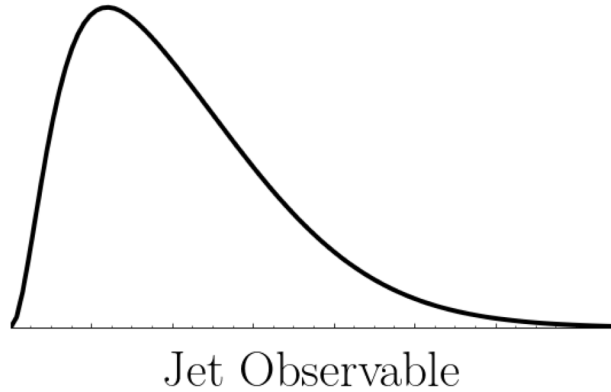
Template fitting without templates

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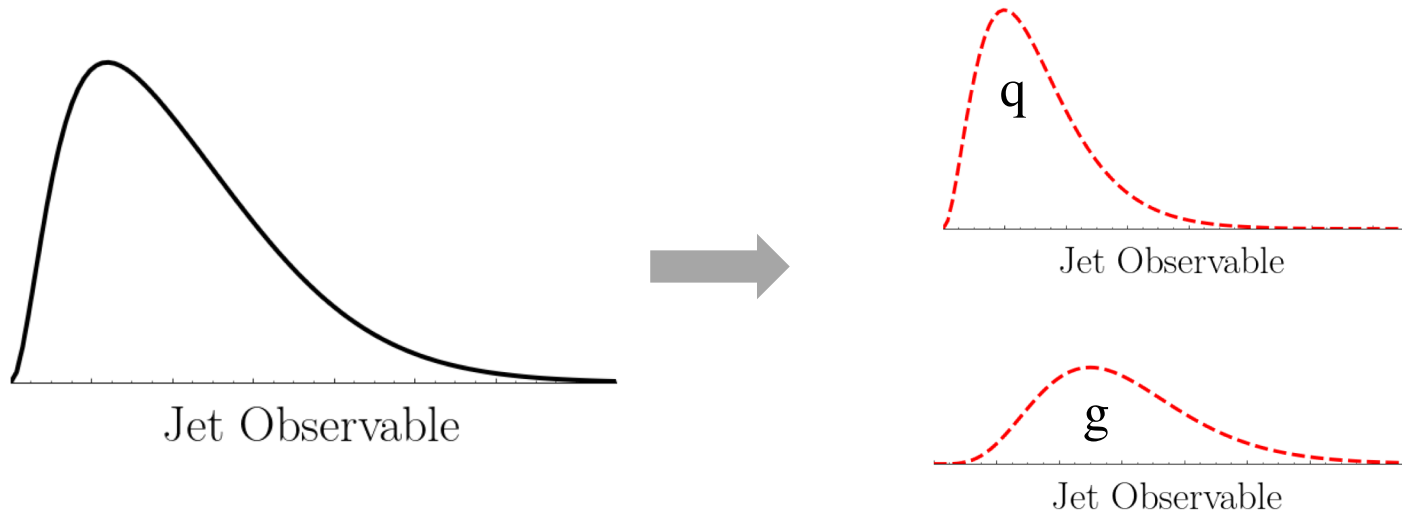
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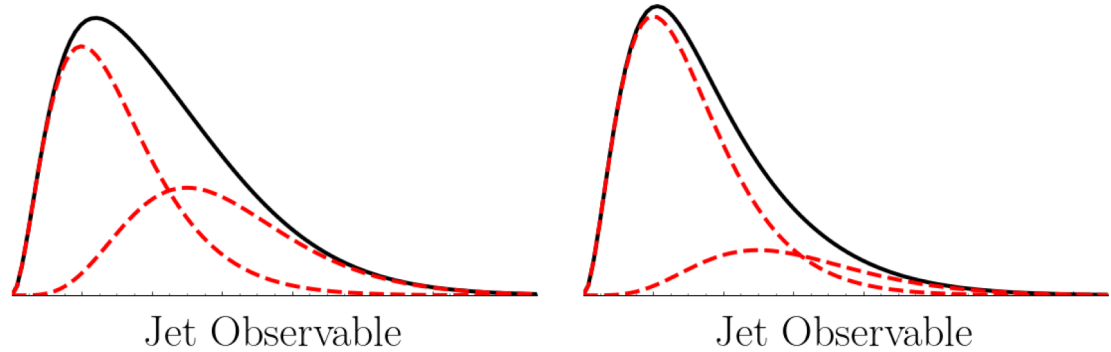
Turns out it is easy* to decompose two mixture distributions into two components

Done in p-p: Metodiev and Thaler PRL 120, 241602 (2018)

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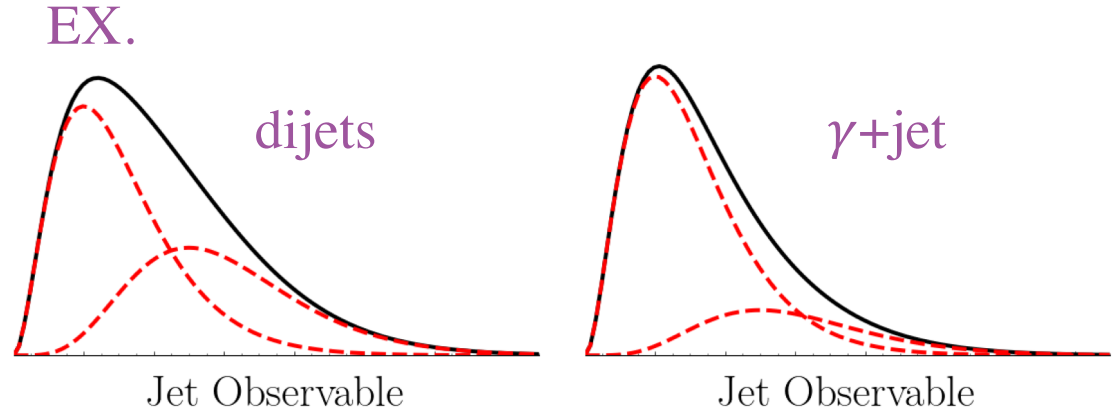
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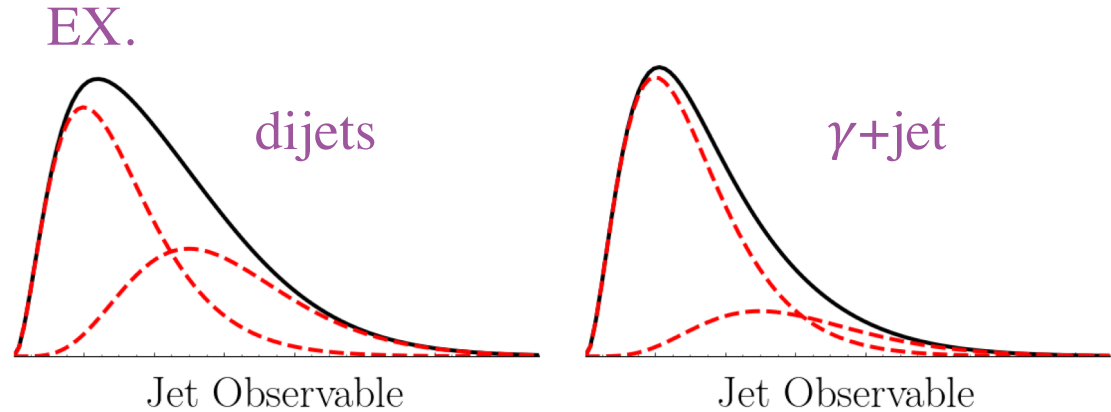
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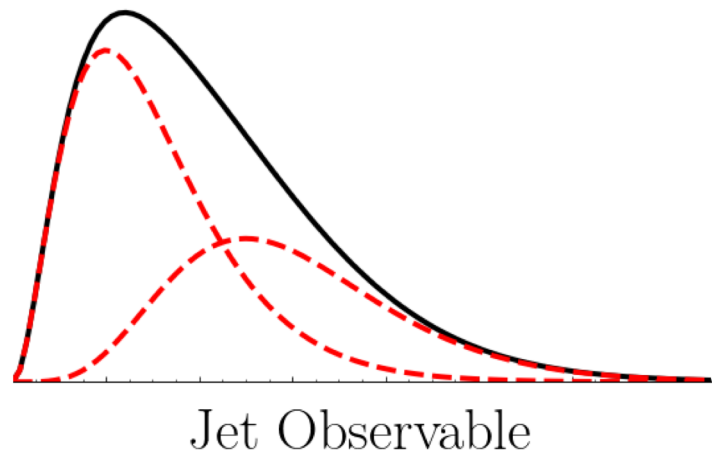
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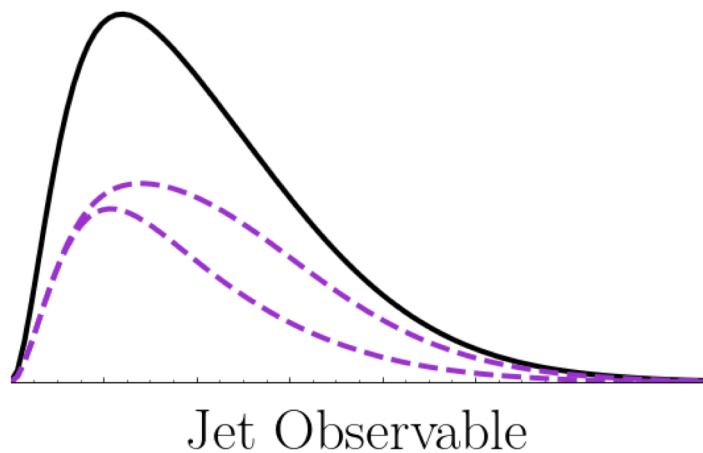
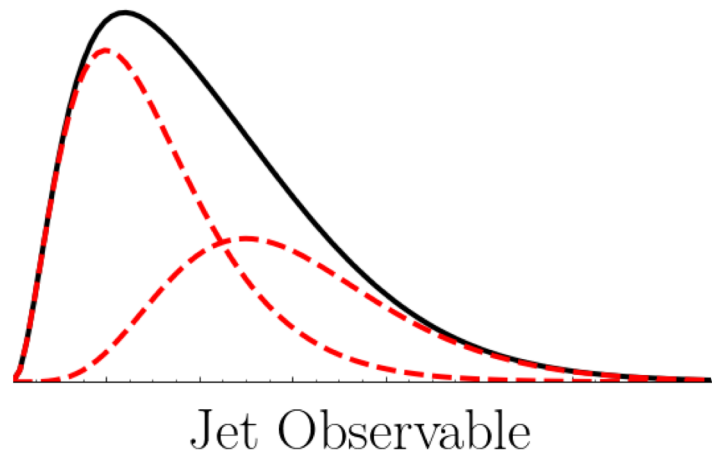
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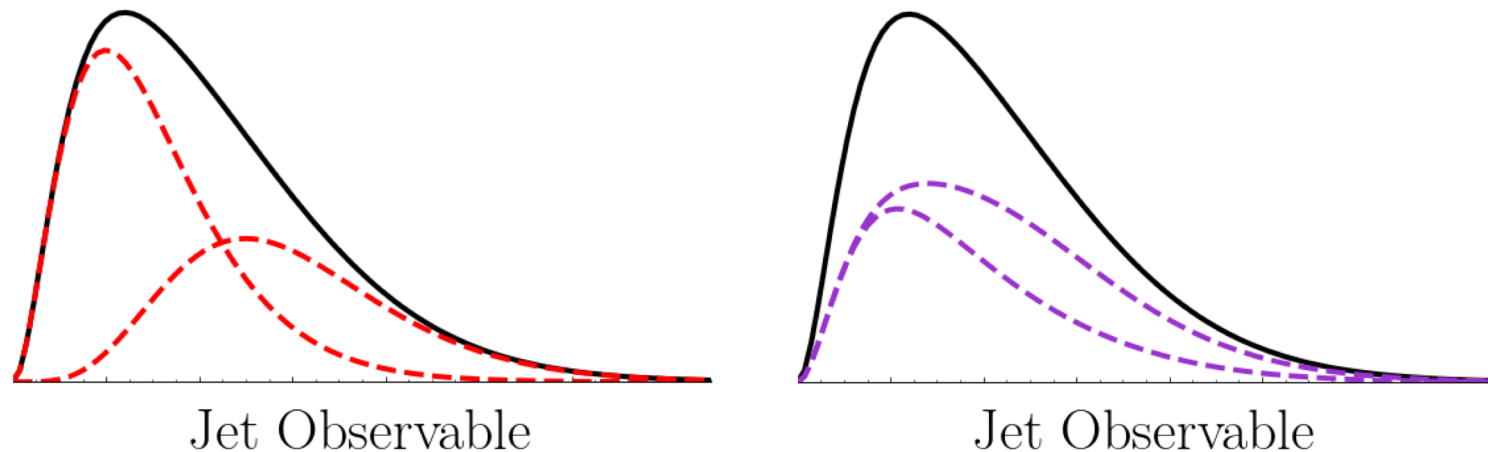
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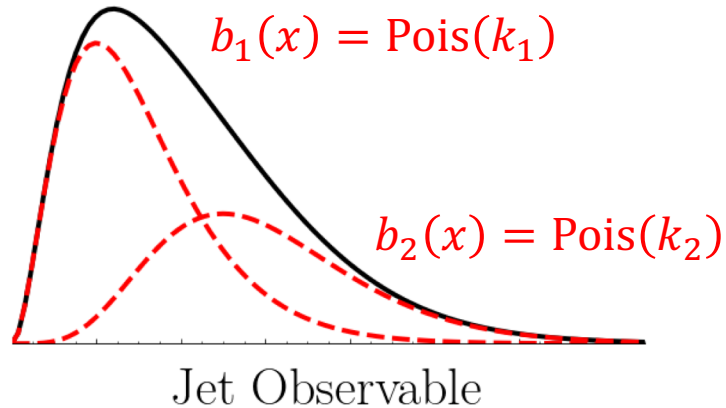


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To resolve ambiguity, extract base distributions that are mutually irreducible

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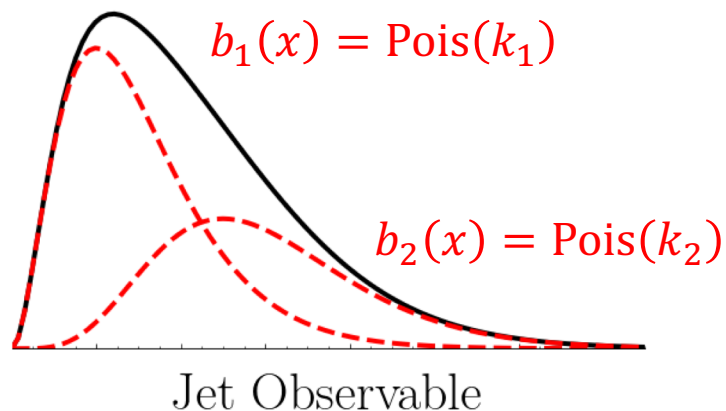


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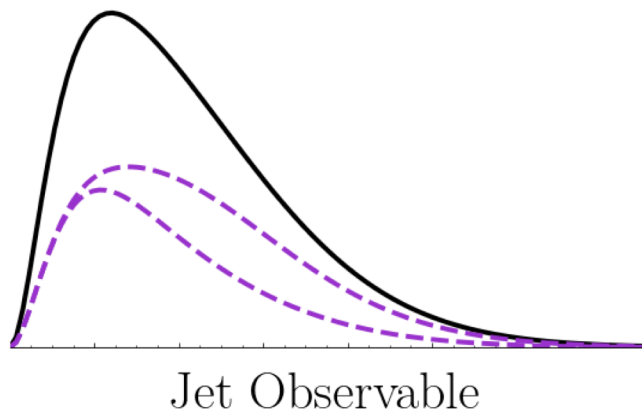
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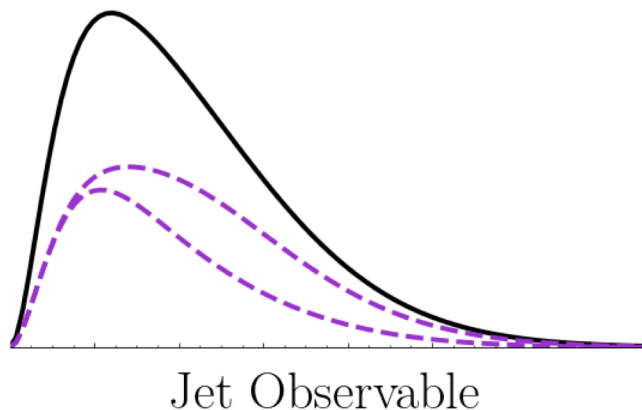
Two distinct mixtures of $b_1(x), b_2(x)$ can be separated into fractions at $0, \infty$

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Requirement of mutual irreducibility restricts space of jet observables that can be used to extract quark/gluon fractions

Quark/gluon mutual irreducibility at high energies in QCD

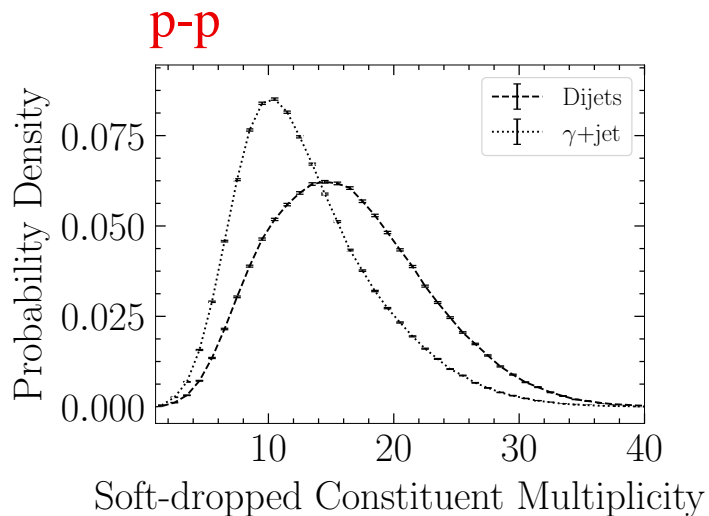
- Counting observables (constituent multiplicities, n_{SD}) are Poissonian in high-energy limit

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- Observables with Casimir scaling in high-energy limit (mass, angularities)

Not mutually irreducible

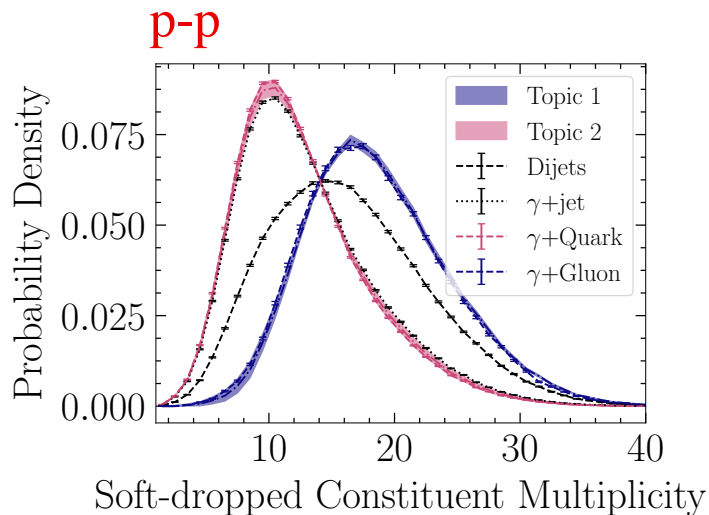
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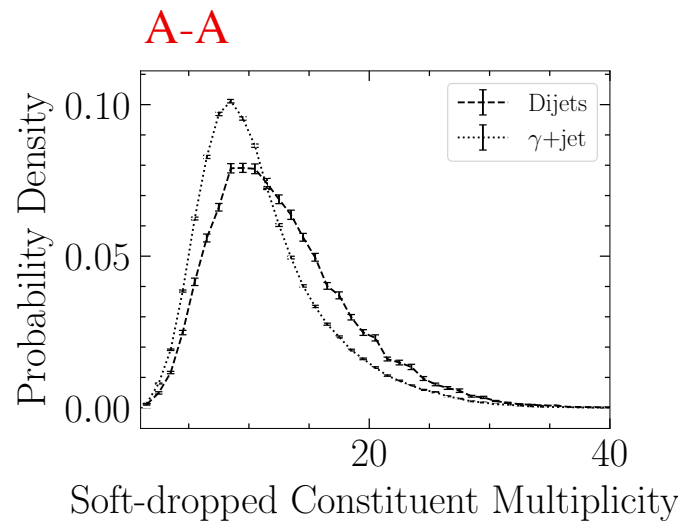
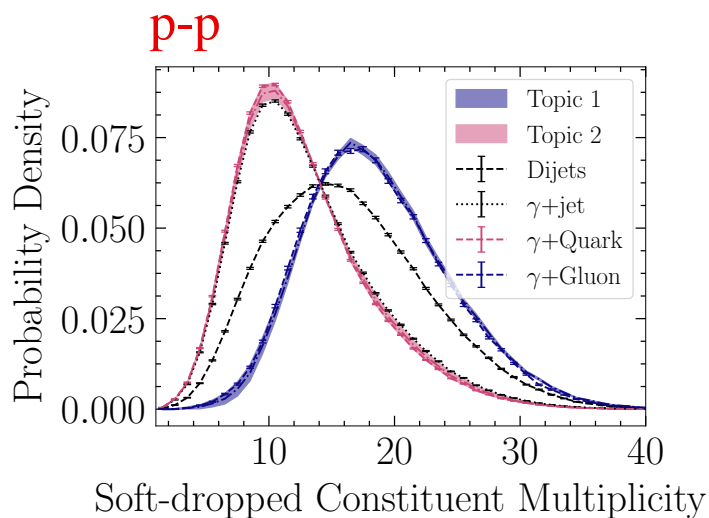
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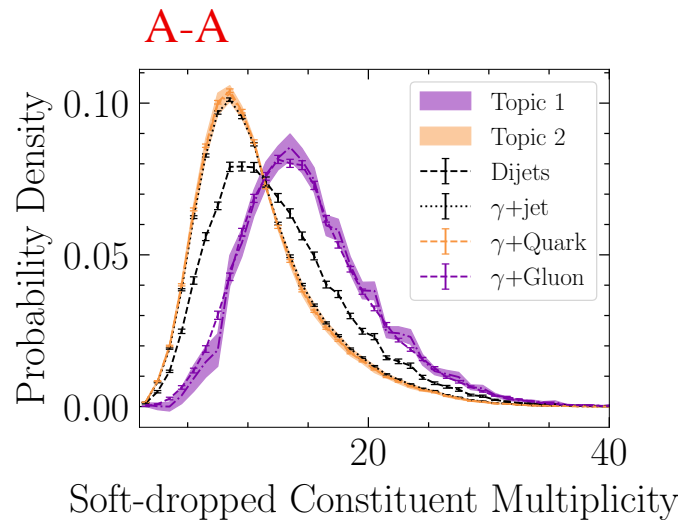
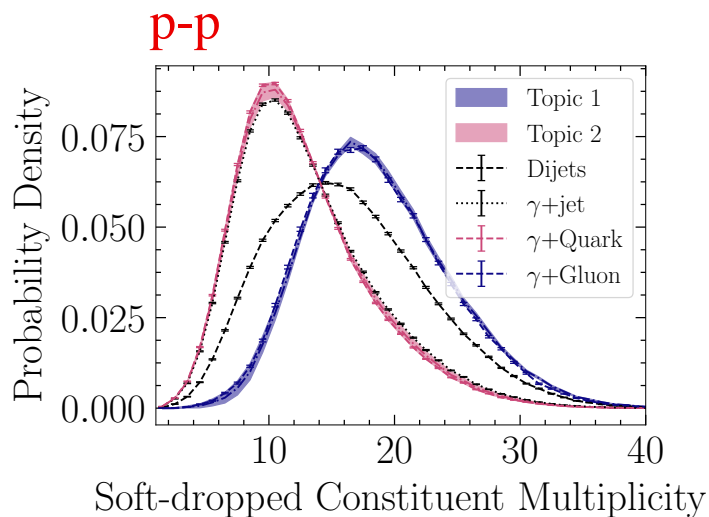
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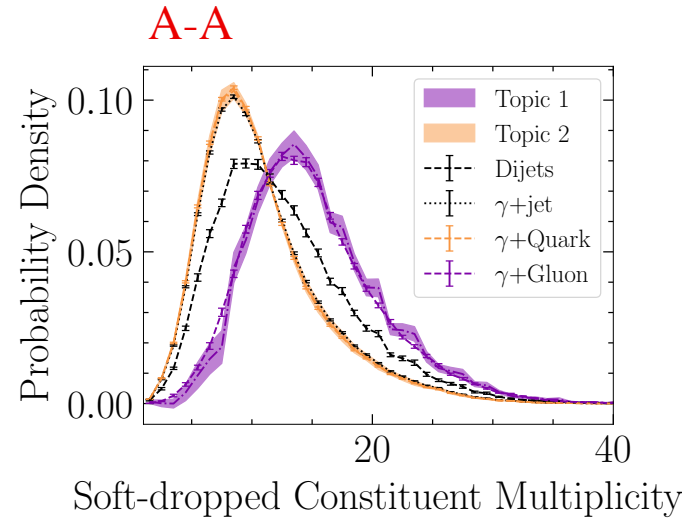
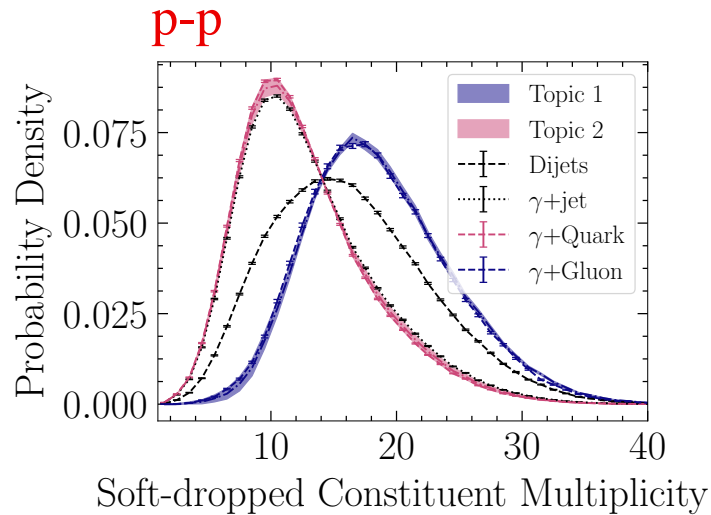
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Primary difficulty: extraction sensitive to tails of the distribution

Going forward

- Quark and gluon fractions as a function of p_T allow for separate measurements of quark and gluon spectra, R_{AA} , Q_{AA}
- Separate distribution-level modification of quark and gluon jets from modification of their relative fractions (e.g. in dijet, photon+jet)