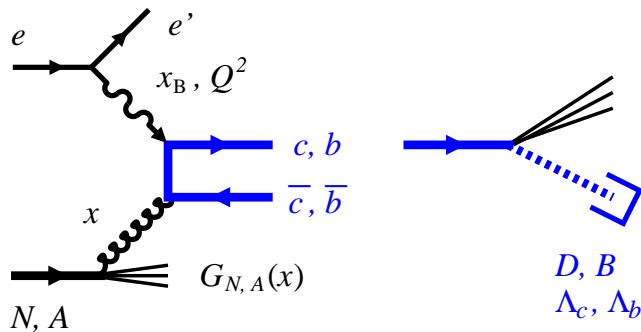


Probing nuclear gluons with heavy flavor production at EIC

C. Weiss (JLab), Jets and Heavy Flavors Yellow Report WG, 20-Apr-2020 



C. Andres Casas, E. Chudakov, D. Higinbotham, C. Hyde, S. Furlotov, Yu. Furlotova, D. Nguyen, N. Sato, M. Stratmann, M. Strikman, C. Weiss*, JLab 2016/17 LDRD Project https://wiki.jlab.org/nuclear_gluons/ [arXiv:1610.08536], [arXiv:1608.08686]

See also: E. C. Aschenauer, S. Fazio, M. A. C. Lamont, H. Paukkunen, P. Zurita, PRD 96, 114005 (2017)

Other apps: HF as probe of nuclear medium, HF spectroscopy

- Physics

 - Nuclear gluon densities

 - HF production as direct probe

- Simulations

 - Charm production: Rates, kinematic dependence

 - Charm reconstruction: Exclusive, inclusive

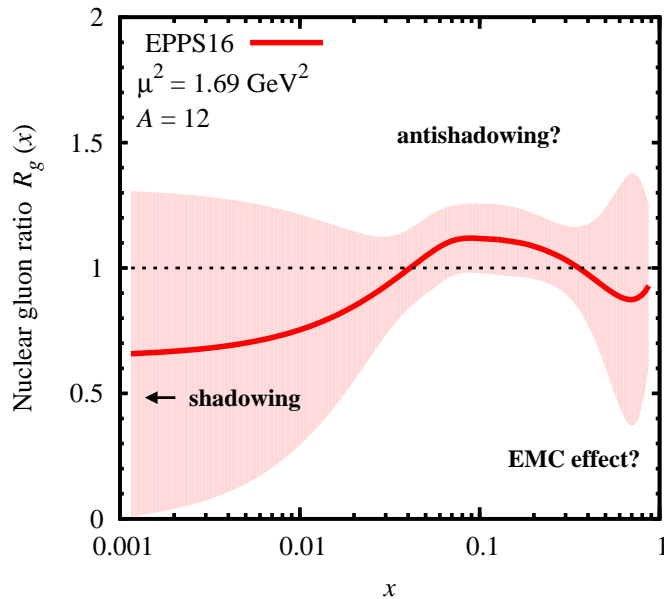
 - Role of PID and vertex detection

- Impact

 - PDF reweighting with EIC charm pseudodata

- Extensions

 - High- p_T charm pairs, beauty, ...



- Nuclear gluon density

Modifications \leftrightarrow nucleon interactions in QCD

$x \gtrsim 0.1$: EMC effect? Antishadowing?

Probes: $F_{2A,LA}$ + DGLAP, HF production \leftarrow

- HF production in DIS

LO photon-gluon fusion

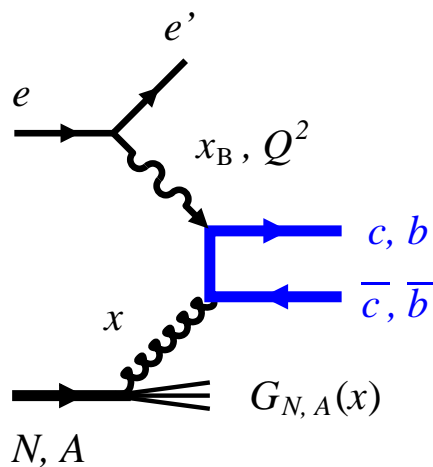
Probes gluons at $x > ax_B$, $a = (1 + 4m_h^2/Q^2)$

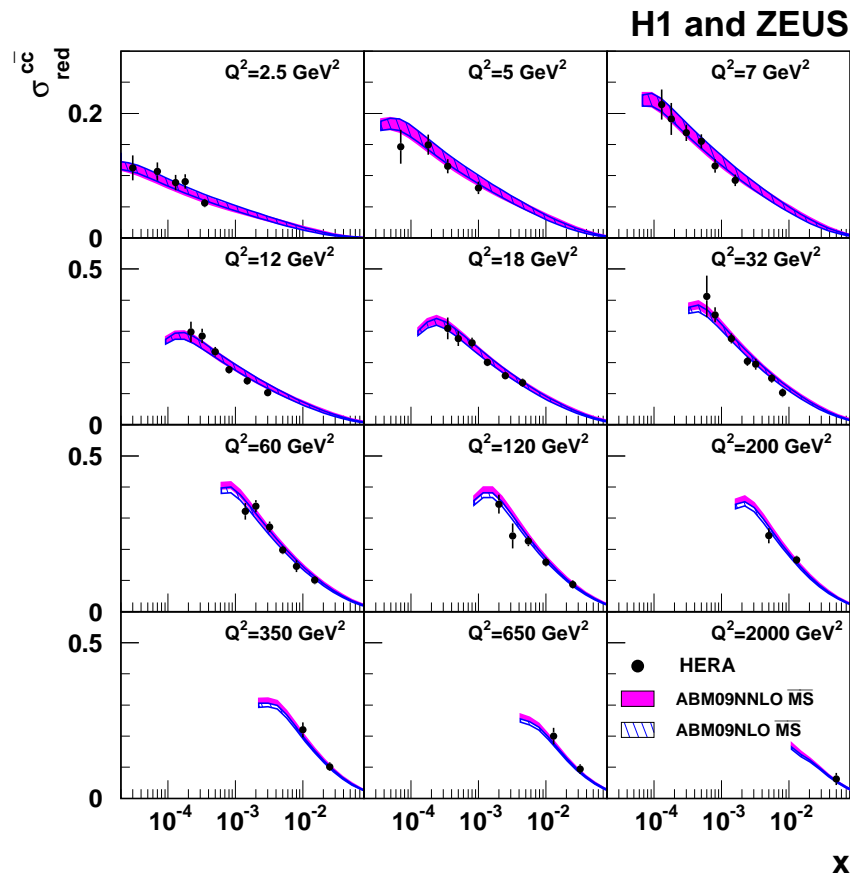
NLO+ calculated, uncertainties estimated

Laenen, Riemersma, Smith Van Neerven, Harris 93+.
Alekhin, Moch, Blümlein, Vogt, Kawamura et al. 11+

Inclusive σ^c and differential $d\sigma^c/d\eta dp_T$

Photoproduction $Q^2 = 0$ also hard process





- $c\bar{c}$, $b\bar{b}$ production in $ep/\gamma p$

Mostly $x < 10^{-2}$

Various reconstruction methods

Extensive tests of theory

Measurements of $c \rightarrow D$ and $b \rightarrow B$ fragmentation functions

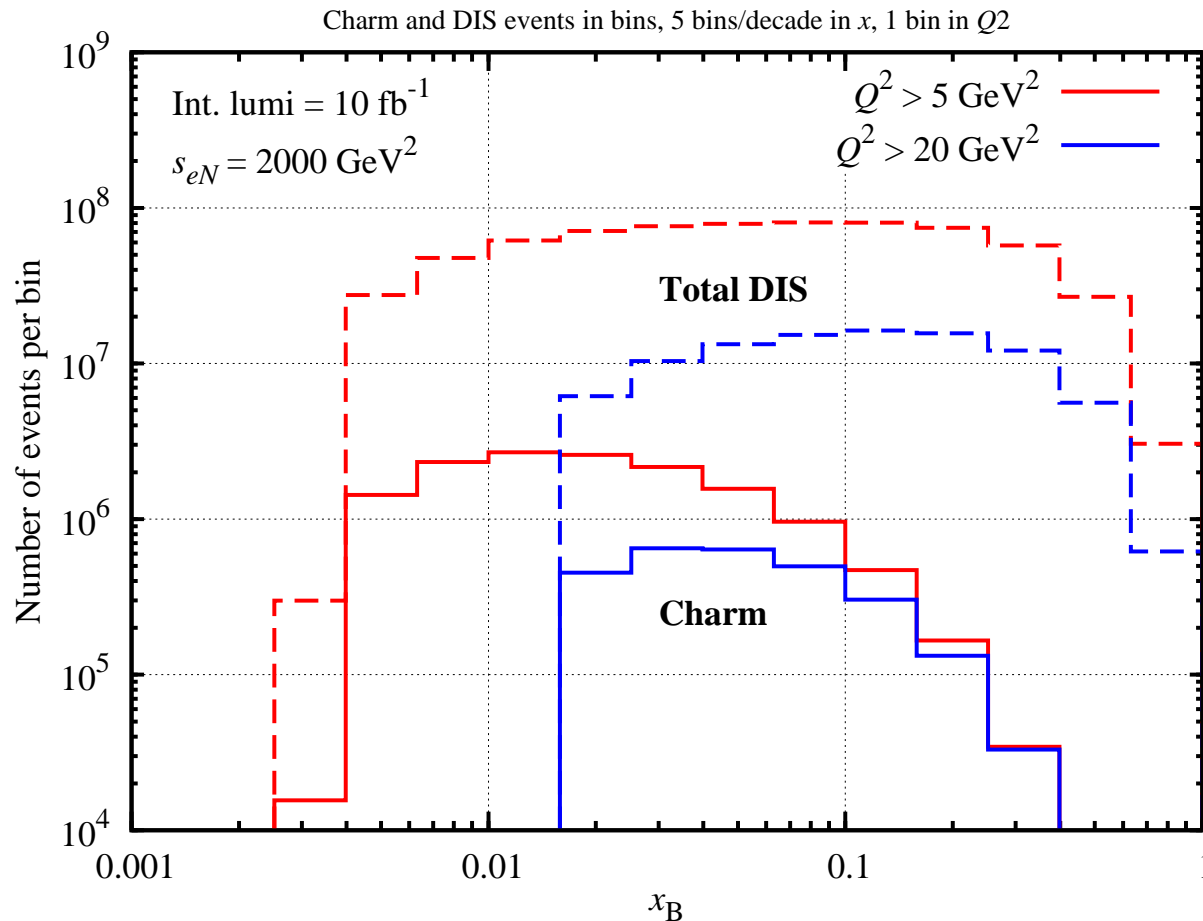
- Simulation tools

HVQDIS LO/NLO cross secn
+ MC integration Harris, Smith 98

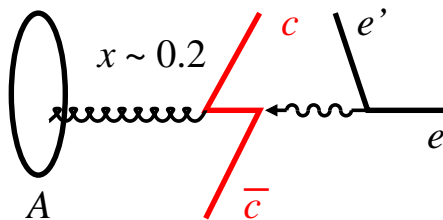
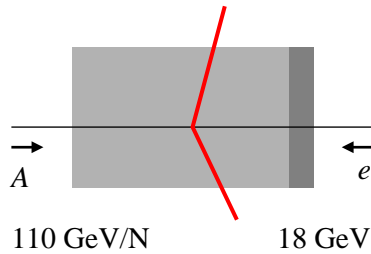
Simple codes for QCD cross secns
and rate estimates JLab LDRD

PYTHIA, HERWIG MC
for full DIS final state π , K , ...

EIC: Charm production rates



- Charm production rates drop rapidly at large x_B
- Charm production rates $\sim 10^5$ at $x_B \sim 0.1$ (int. lumi 10 fb^{-1})
Defines charm reconstruction efficiency needed for physics at $O(10\%)$
- Charm/DIS ratio $\sim 2\text{--}3\%$ at $x_B \sim 0.1$
Defines charm reconstruction environment



- Large- x $c\bar{c}$ pairs produced at central rapidities if $x \sim E_e/E_N$

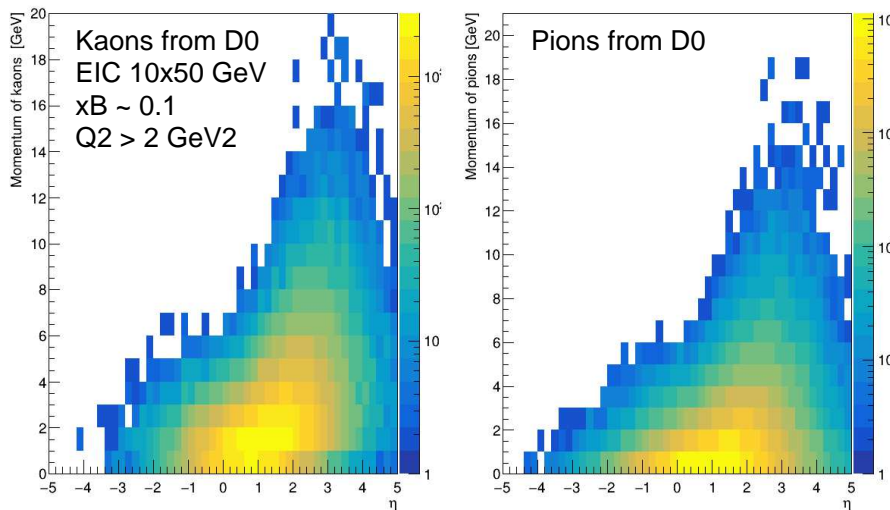
CM frame of electron-gluon collision

Example: $x = 0.2$ and $18 \times 110 \text{ GeV}$

- π/K from D decays have typical momenta $\lesssim 5 \text{ GeV}$

- PID and vertex detection available in central detector

Enables “new” methods of charm reconstruction with EIC



[to be updated with $18 \times 110 \text{ GeV}$]

- Exclusive D -meson decays
- Inclusive decays with displaced vertex

Questions

How well do the methods work at large x ?

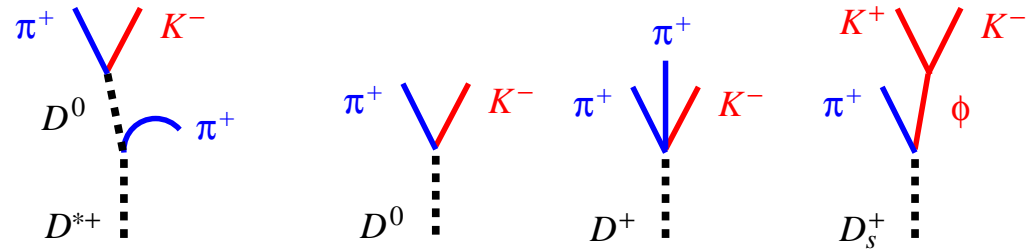
What are the overall efficiencies and uncertainties?

What detector performance is required?

Simulations at different levels

- 1) Theoretical estimates of reconstruction efficiency
- 2) Model acceptance and PID performance, describe resolution effects through smearing of vertex and momentum distributions
- [3) Tracking and vertexing based on EIC detector model]

h_c	f	Decay	BR
D^0	59%	$K^- \pi^+$	3.9%
		$K^- \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$	8.1%
D^+	23%	$K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$	9.2%
D^{*+}	23%	$(K^- \pi^+)_{D^0} \pi^+_{\text{slow}}$	2.6%
		$(K^- \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^-)_{D^0} \pi^+_{\text{slow}}$	5.5%
D_s^+	9%	$(K^+ K^-)_\phi \pi^+$	2.3%
Λ_c^+	8%	$p K^- \pi^+$	5.0%



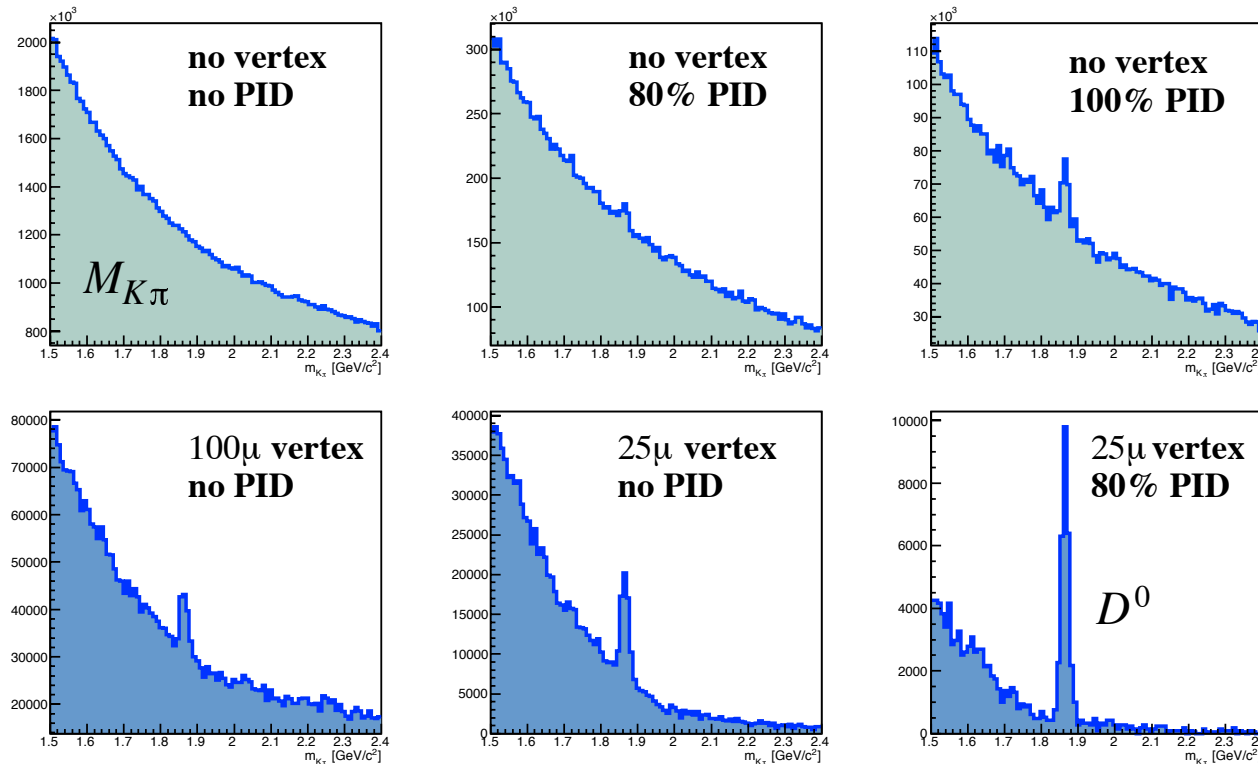
- Simple exclusive channel $D^{*+} \rightarrow \pi^+(\text{slow}) + (K^- \pi^+)_{D^0}$

Used at HERA without PID. Efficiency $< 1\%$

- EIC PID + vertex detection allow use of other exclusive channels D^0, D^+, D_s^+

- Theoretical efficiency $\sim 10\%$ summed over channels

Fragmentation ratio $f \times$ Branching ratio BR



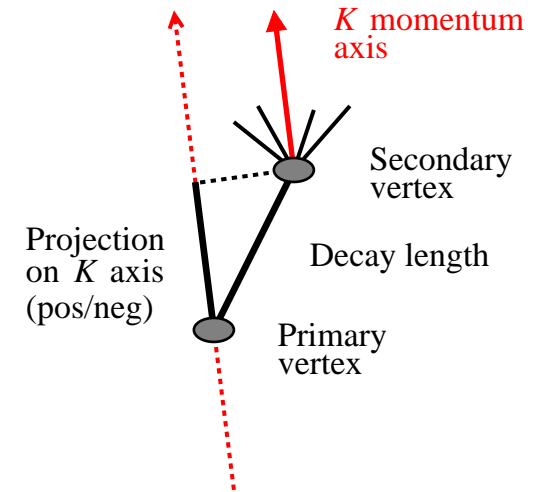
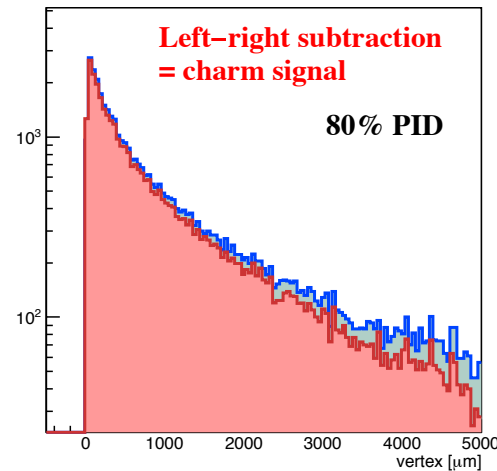
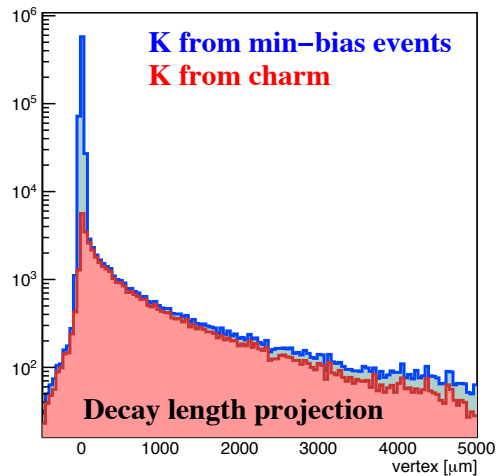
Invariant mass spectrum of two charged tracks/mesons in sample of charm events with $Q^2 > 10 \text{ GeV}^2$ and $x_B > 0.05$. PYTHIA 6 simulation, arbitrary normalization of event sample, no DIS background, vertex cut $100 \mu\text{m}$.

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- Example: D^0 meson reconstruction using exclusive decay $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$

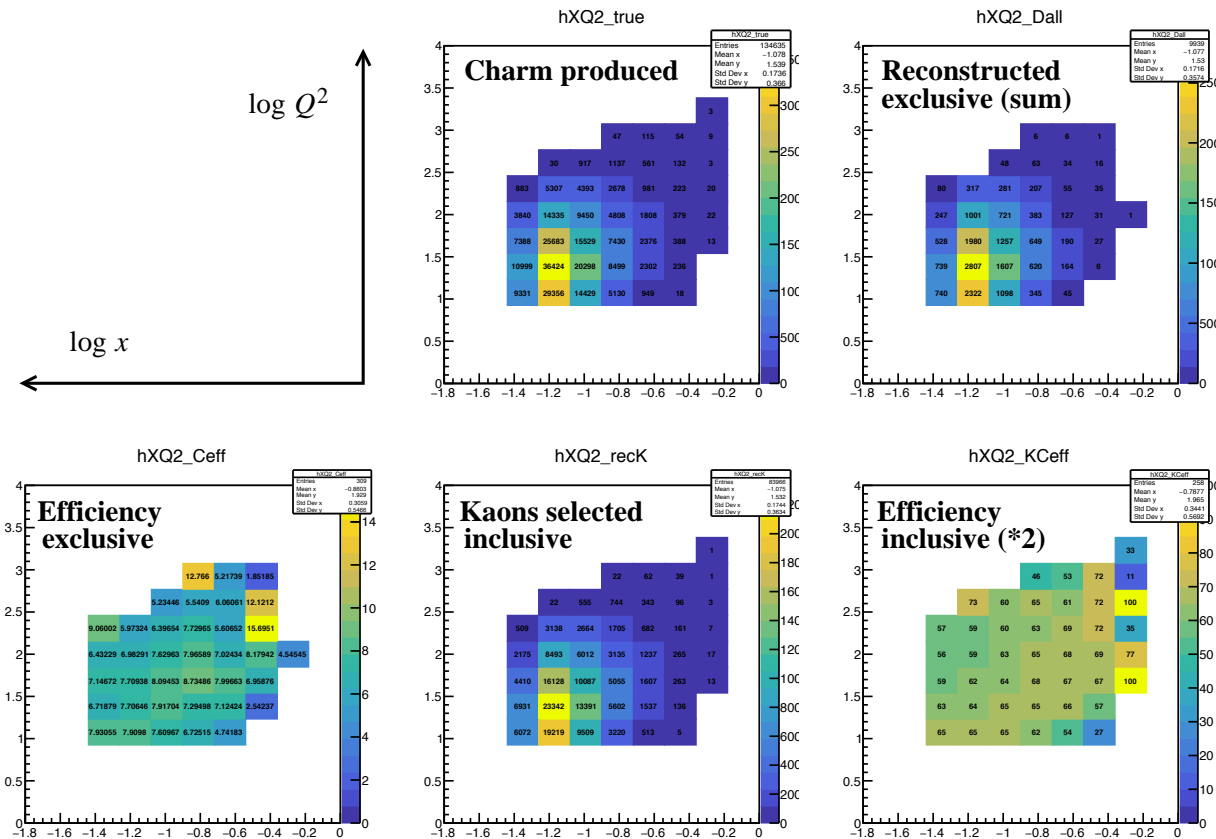
Level-2 simulation with mass/momentum and vertex smearing

Also other channels



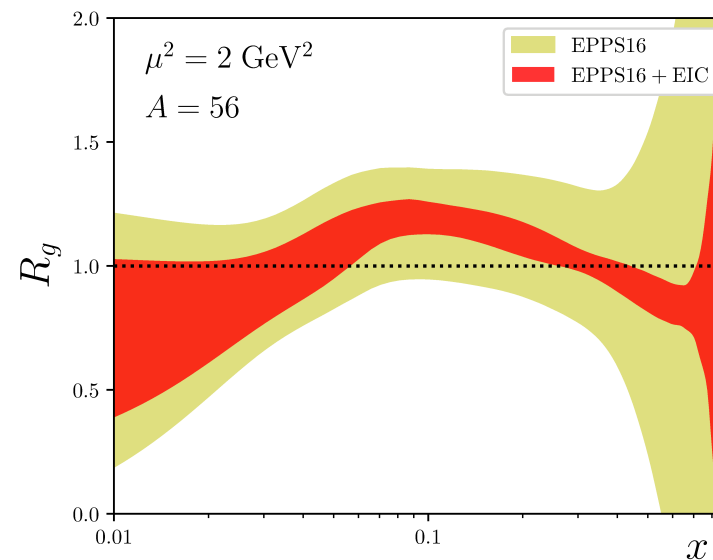
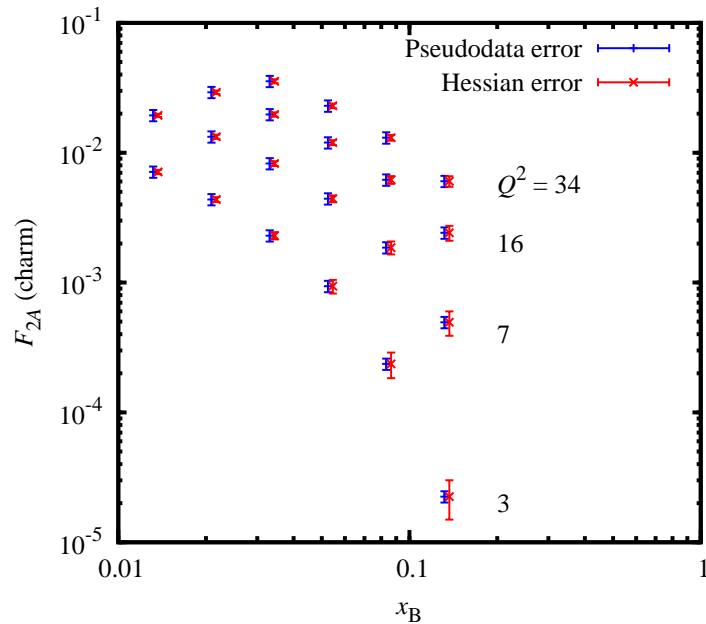
- Decay length significance distribution
 - Establish secondary vertex
 - Project decay length on jet axis, positive/negative
 - Identify D -meson decays through positive projection
- Used at HERA with vertex detector
- Use for charm at EIC
 - Identified K from PID
 - Efficiency up to $\sim 30\%$

EIC: Charm reconstruction efficiency



- Total efficiency estimated $\sim 5-7\%$ exclusive, $\sim 30\%$ inclusive
- Little kinematic variation in (x, Q^2) region of interest
- Systematic uncertainties? HERA $\lesssim 10\%$
- Both vertex detection and PID are essential for charm reconstruction

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- PDF reweighting

Example: $F_2^c(x, Q^2)$ pseudodata, 10% total uncertainty, dominated by sys, point-to-point

Impact on EPPS16 NLO PDF [C. Andres Casas, N. Sato](#)

- Charm data constrain gluon antishadowing and EMC effect

See also: [Aschenauer et al, PRD 96 114005 \(2017\)](#)

- Theoretical uncertainties to be estimated

Nuclear final-state interactions vs. initial-state modifications

- Use of differential charm cross sections for PDF analysis
- Charm reconstruction with high- p_T pairs – rare but distinct events, double tag
- Beauty production and reconstruction
- HF photoproduction using low- Q^2 electron tagger

Summary

- EIC enables HF production/reconstruction also at larger x_B ($\gtrsim 0.1$)

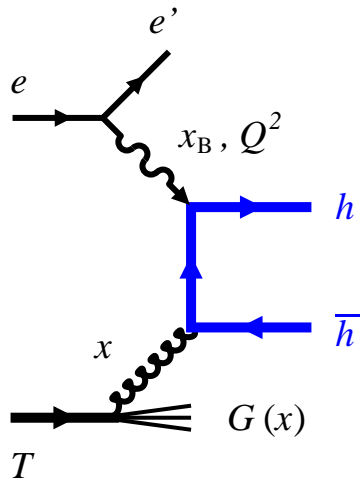
Challenges: Low rates, large DIS background

Capabilities: π/K PID, vertex detection

Methods: Exclusive and/or inclusive reconstruction

- Impact on large- x nuclear gluons: EMC effect, antishadowing
- Simulation tools and results available for Yellow Report studies
[JLab 2016/17 LDRD Project https://wiki.jlab.org/nuclear_gluons/](https://wiki.jlab.org/nuclear_gluons/)

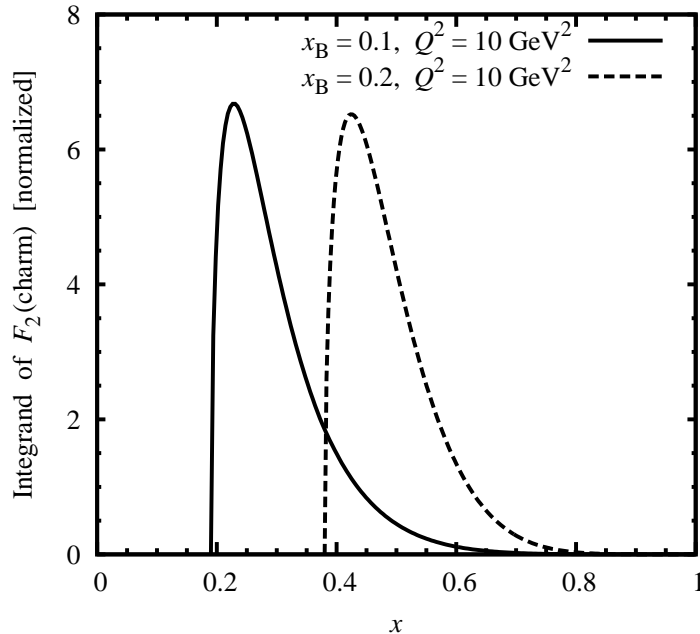
Supplementary material



$$F_2^h(x_B, Q^2) = \int_{ax_B}^1 \frac{dx}{x} xG(x) \hat{F}_g^h(x_B/x, Q^2, m_h^2, \mu^2)$$

$$\hat{F}_g^h(\dots) = e_h^2 g^2 Q^2 / m_h^2 \times \text{fun}(x_B/x, Q^2) \quad \text{coefficient function}$$

$$a = 1 + 4m_h^2/Q^2 \quad \text{sets limit of } x \text{ integral}$$



- QCD factorization $\gamma^* T \rightarrow h\bar{h} + X$

Inclusive heavy structure functions F_2^h, F_L^h

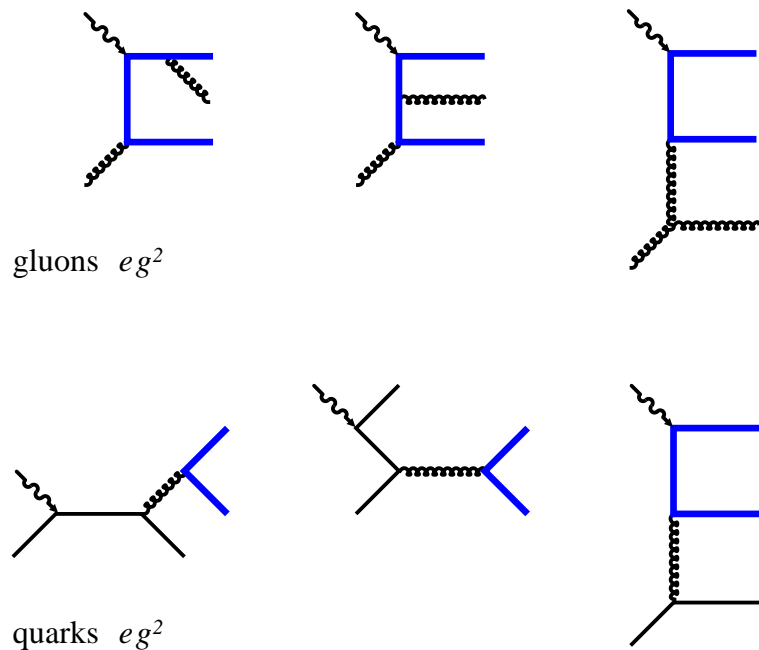
Differential cross section $d^4\sigma/dQ^2 d\eta d^2p_T$

- Photon-gluon fusion at LO $\mathcal{O}(e_h g)$

Couples to gluons only

Integrand localized above $x \sim ax_B$,
probes gluons almost locally in x

Witten 76; Babcock, Sivers 78;
Vainshtein, Shifman, Zakharov 78; Gluck, Reya 79



- Heavy quark production at NLO

Sensitivity to light quarks at $\mathcal{O}(e_h g^2)$

LO photon-gluon fusion large at $x > 0.1$

Theoretical uncertainties quantified

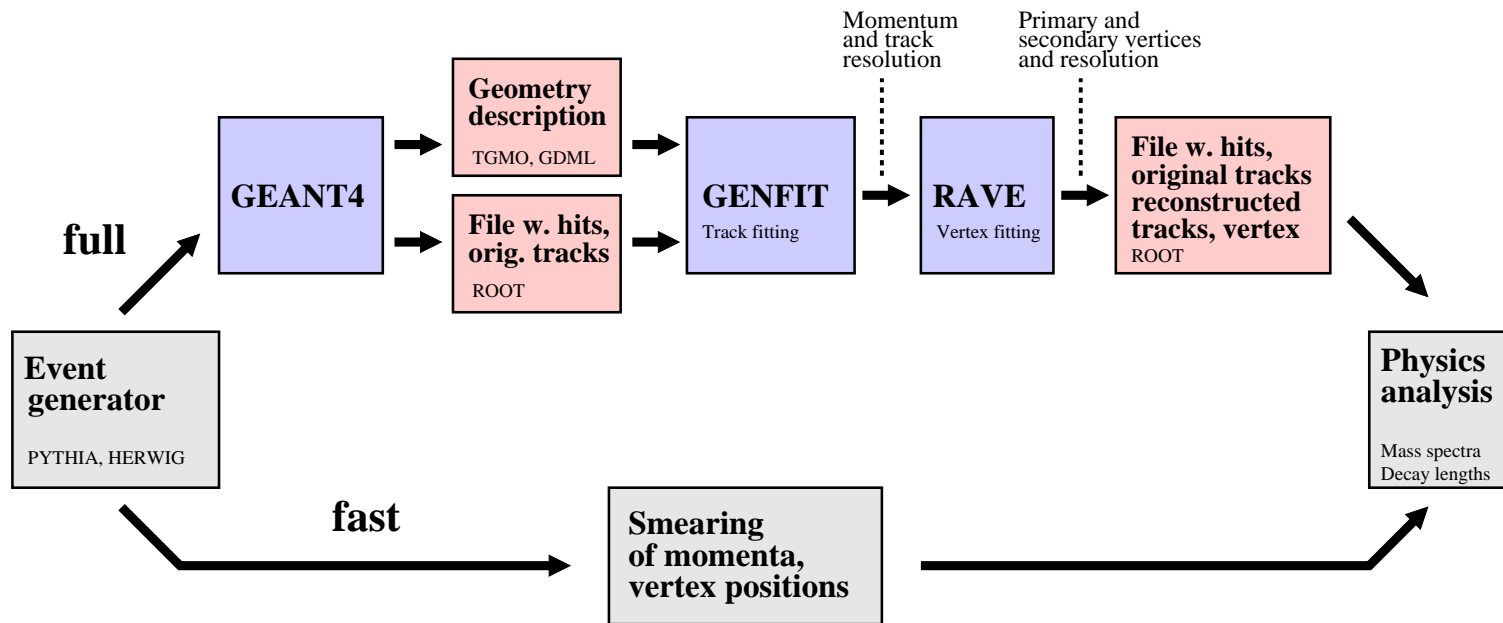
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- Perturbative stability LO \rightarrow NLO

Good stability of F_2^c with choice of effective LO scale

Gluck, Reya, Stratmann 94

Rapidity, p_T distributions more sensitive



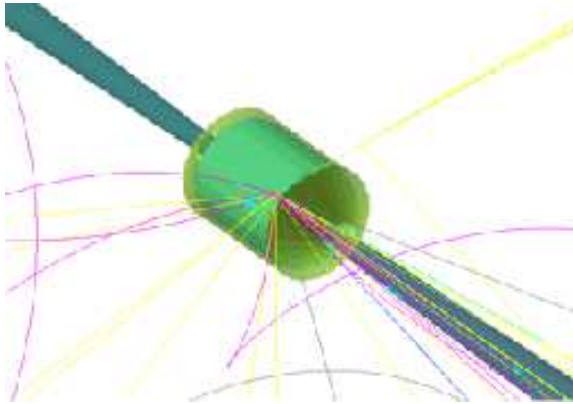
- Analysis chain for tracking and vertexing with EIC

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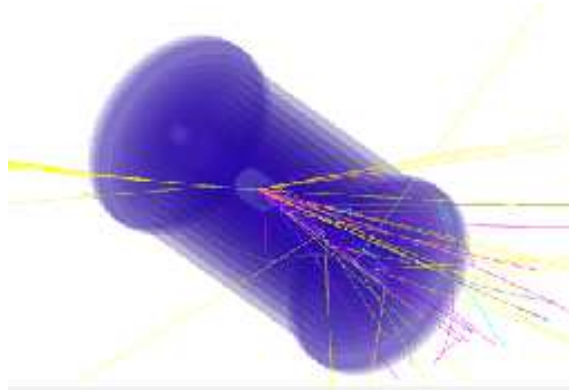
Model of vertex detector and outer tracker/endcap geometry
Based on GEANT4/Root, uses available tools GENFIT, RAVE

- Can be used in two ways

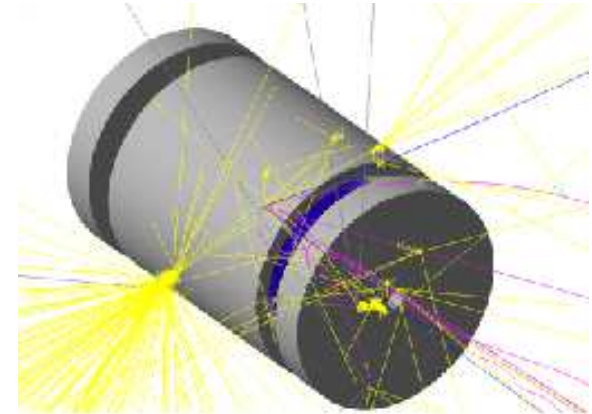
Verify smearing parameters of Level-2 simulations
Full event reconstruction



Vertex detector

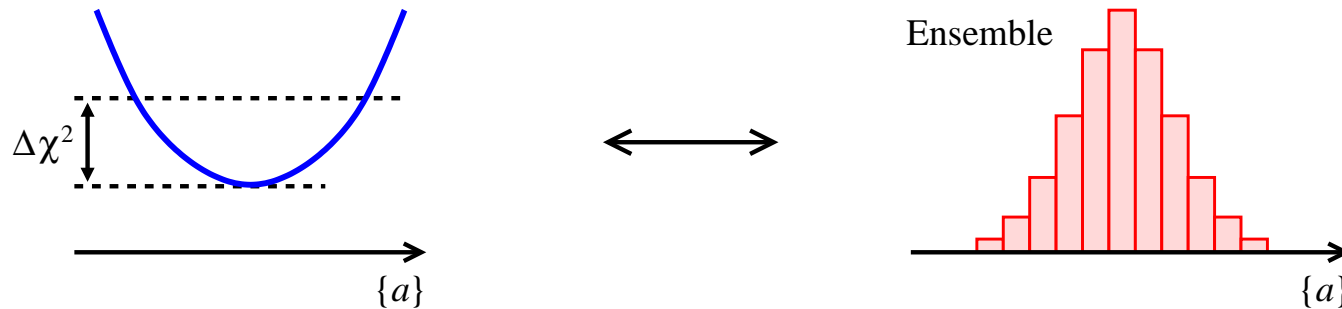


Outer tracker and endcap



Iron calorimeter

- Schematic detector model, describes geometry + magnetic field, implemented in GEANT4 [Here: JLEIC detector]
- Can be adapted and optimized for HF simulations
- Open for collaboration
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- PDF reweighting

Method for quantifying impact of new (pseudo-) data on existing global fit
[Giele, Keller 98](#); [NNPDF Collab Ball et al 11](#); [Paukkunen, Zurita 14](#); [Sato et al 16](#)

Represents existing fit as statistical ensemble, uses Bayes' theorem

Avoids costly re-fitting

Widely used in PDF analysis, HEP

- Implemented for charm pseudodata from EIC

Presently F_{2c} , can be extended to other observables

Python code package, on github: <https://github.com/JeffersonLab/F2c>