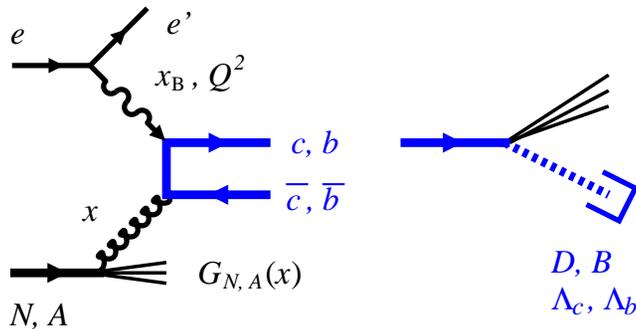


# Open heavy flavor production and reconstruction at EIC

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- Context

Physics interest, theory, HERA results

- HF production at EIC

Rates and kinematic dependences

Momentum and angle distributions

- HF reconstruction at EIC

Challenges at large  $x_B$

$\pi/K$  identification, vertex detection

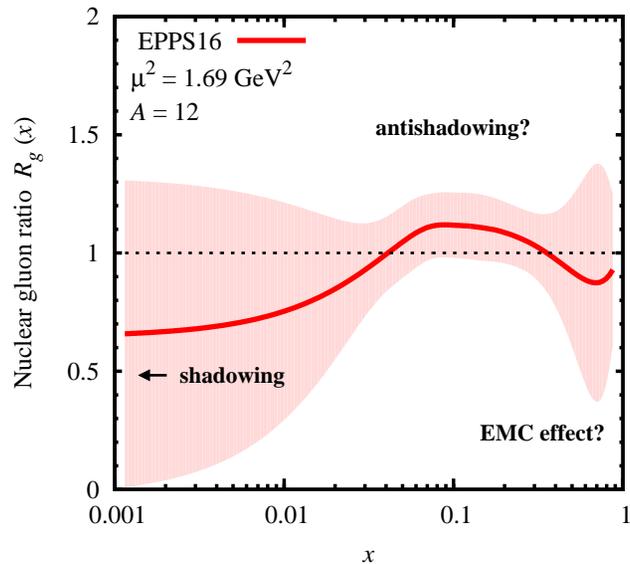
Exclusive D meson decays

Inclusive decays with displaced vertex

Simulation tools

- Applications and extensions

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[arXiv:1610.08536], [arXiv:1608.08686]



- Physics interest

Direct probe of gluon density in target

LDRD project: Nuclear gluons at  $x \gtrsim 0.1$   
EMC effect, antishadowing  $\leftrightarrow$   $NN$  interactions in QCD

HF propagation and hadronization in matter

HF spectroscopy

- Theory of HF production in DIS

LO photon-gluon fusion

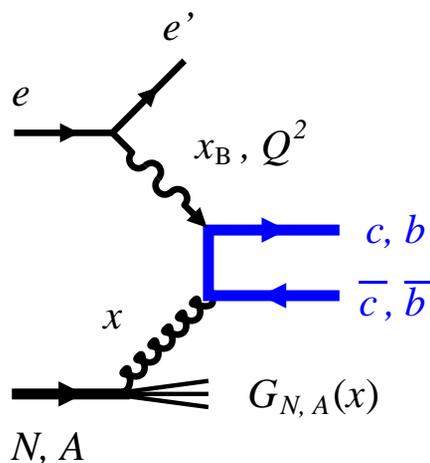
Probes gluons at  $x > ax_B$ ,  $a = (1 + 4m_h^2/Q^2)$

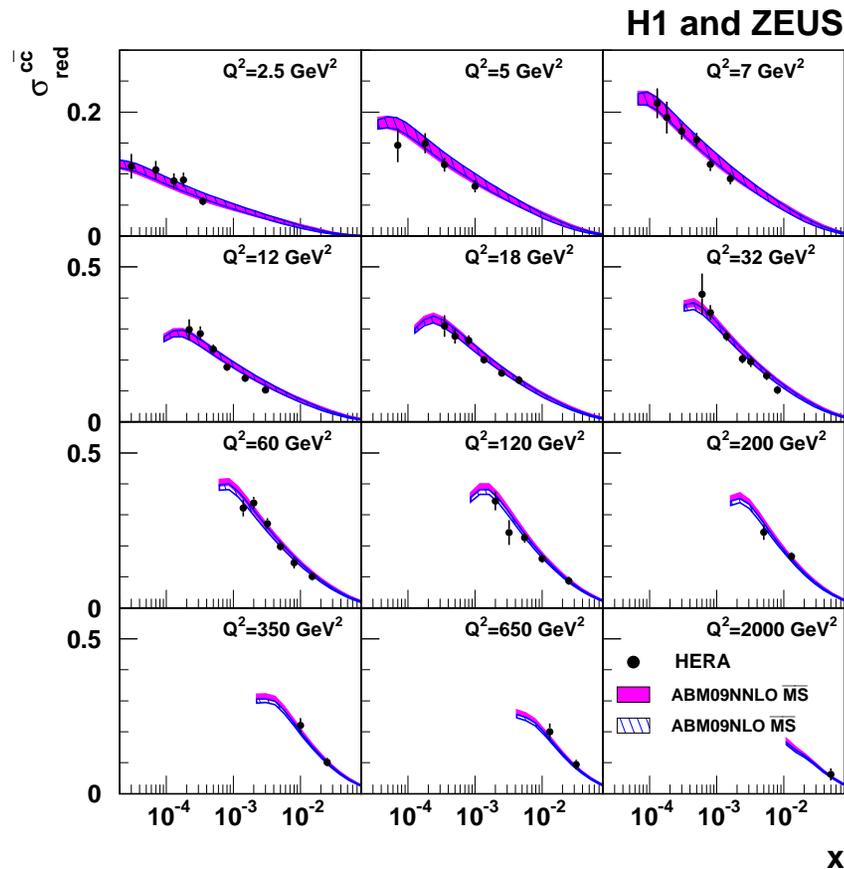
Higher orders calculated, uncertainties estimated

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

Inclusive  $\sigma^c$  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

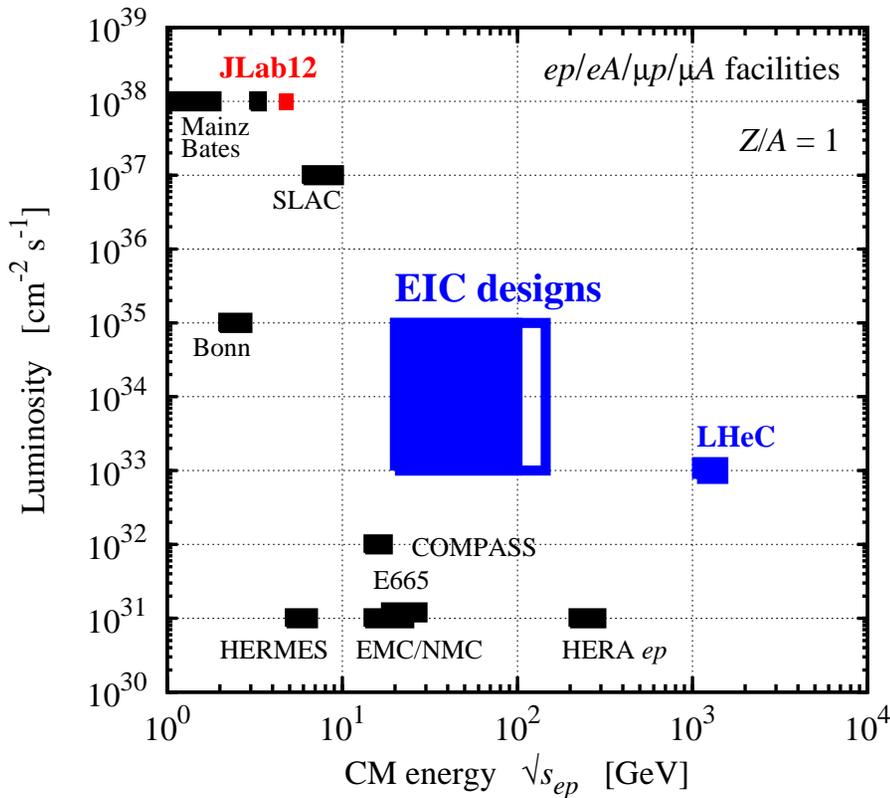
- Simulation tools

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

Simple codes for QCD cross secns  
 and rate estimates JLab LDRD

PYTHIA, HERWIG generators  
 for full DIS final state  $\pi, K, \dots$

# Context: EIC capabilities



- CM energy  $\sqrt{s_{ep}} \sim 20\text{--}100$  GeV  
Factor  $\sqrt{Z/A}$  in nuclei
- Luminosity  $\sim 10^{33}\text{--}10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$   
 $\sim 10^2\text{--}10^3 \times$  HERA luminosity  
Simulations for int. lumi  $10\text{--}100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- [• Polarized protons and light ions ]

[Parameters per EIC White Paper, NAS Study]

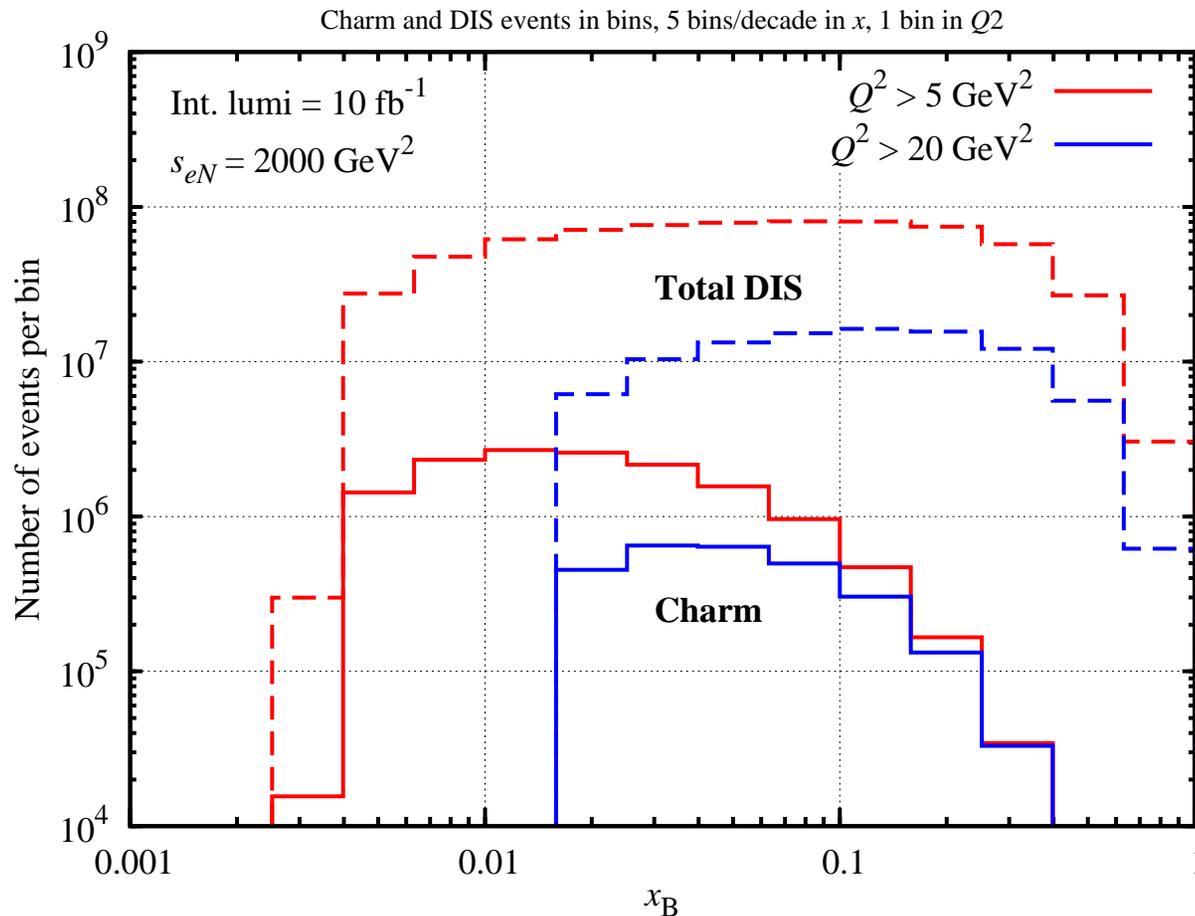
- Next-generation detectors

Central & ion endcap: Calorimetry, tracking + PID, vertex detection  $|\eta| \lesssim 3.5$

Forward ion: Exclusive and diffractive  $p$ , coherent nuclear processes, fragments

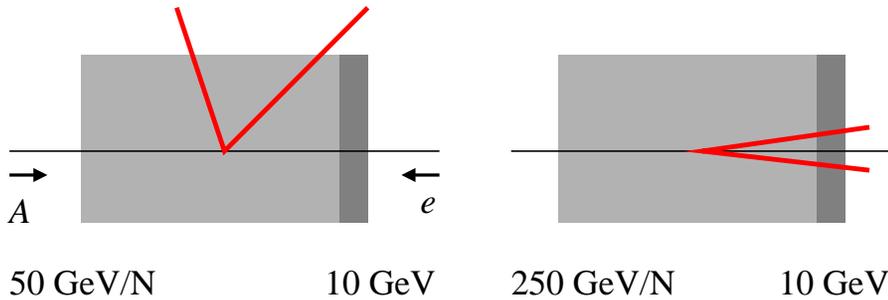
Forward electron: Low- $Q^2$  tagger for quasireal photoproduction

# 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  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )  
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

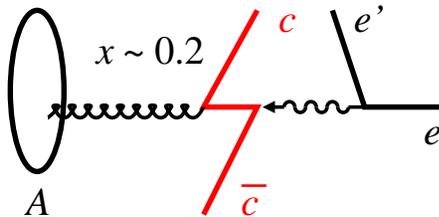
# EIC: Charm angle/momentum distributions



- Large- $x$   $c\bar{c}$  pairs produced at central rapidities in low-ratio collider

CM frame of electron-gluon collision  
 Example:  $x = 0.2$  and  $10 \times 50$  GeV

Forward-boosted in high-ratio collider

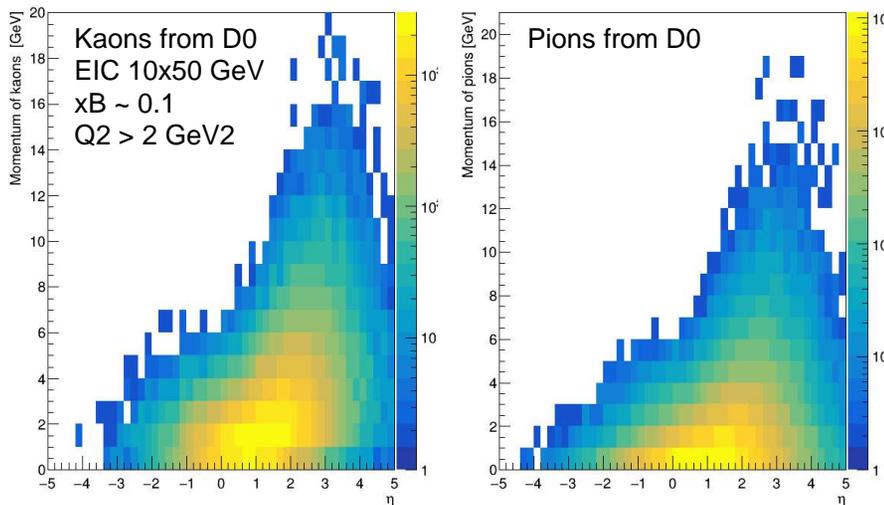


- $\pi/K$  from  $D$  decays have typical momenta  $\lesssim 5$  GeV

Favorable situation

- Good PID and momentum resolution available in central detector

Enables “new” methods of charm reconstruction with EIC



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

## Questions

How well do the methods work at large  $x$ ?

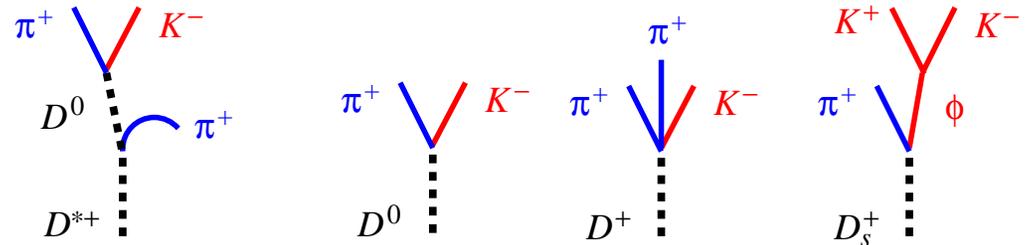
What are the overall efficiencies and uncertainties?

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 schematic JLEIC 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%
$\Lambda_c^+$	8%	$p K^- \pi^+$	5.0%



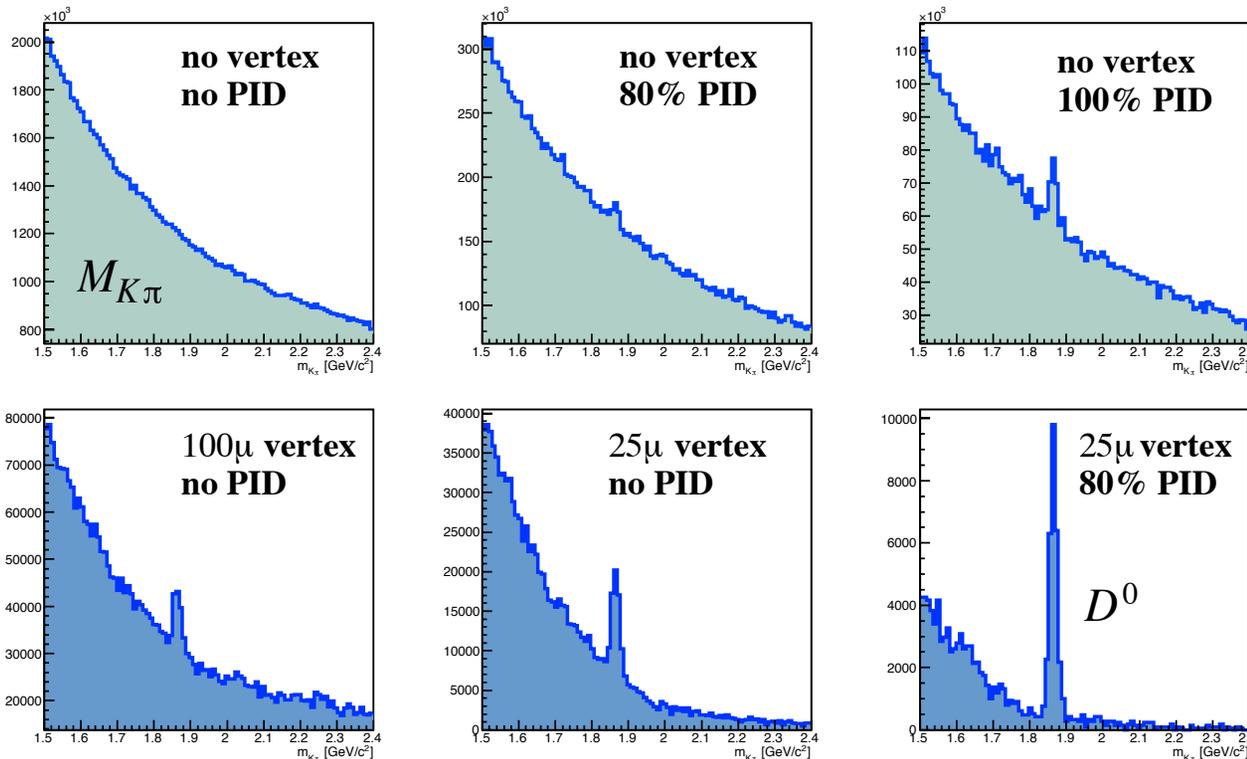
- Simple exclusive channel  $D^{*+} \rightarrow \pi^+(\text{slow}) + (K^- \pi^+)_{D^0}$

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



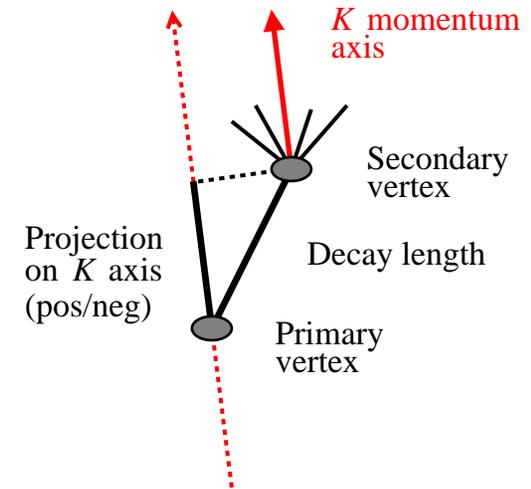
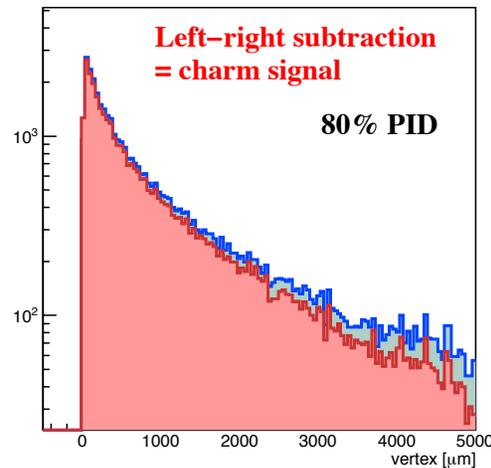
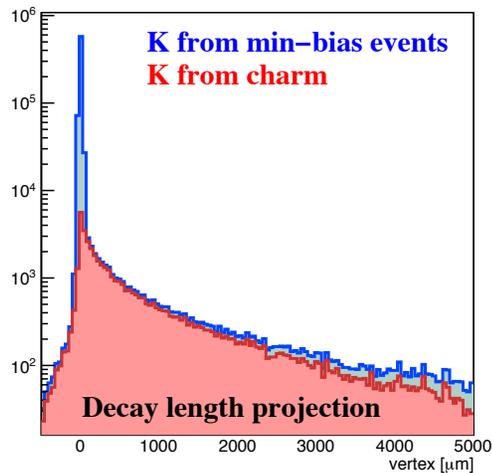
Invariant mass spectrum of two charged tracks/mesons in sample of charm events with  $Q^2 > 10 \text{ GeV}^2$  and  $x_B > 0.05$ . PYTHIA 6 simulation, arbitrary normalization of event sample, no DIS background, vertex cut  $100 \mu\text{m}$ .

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

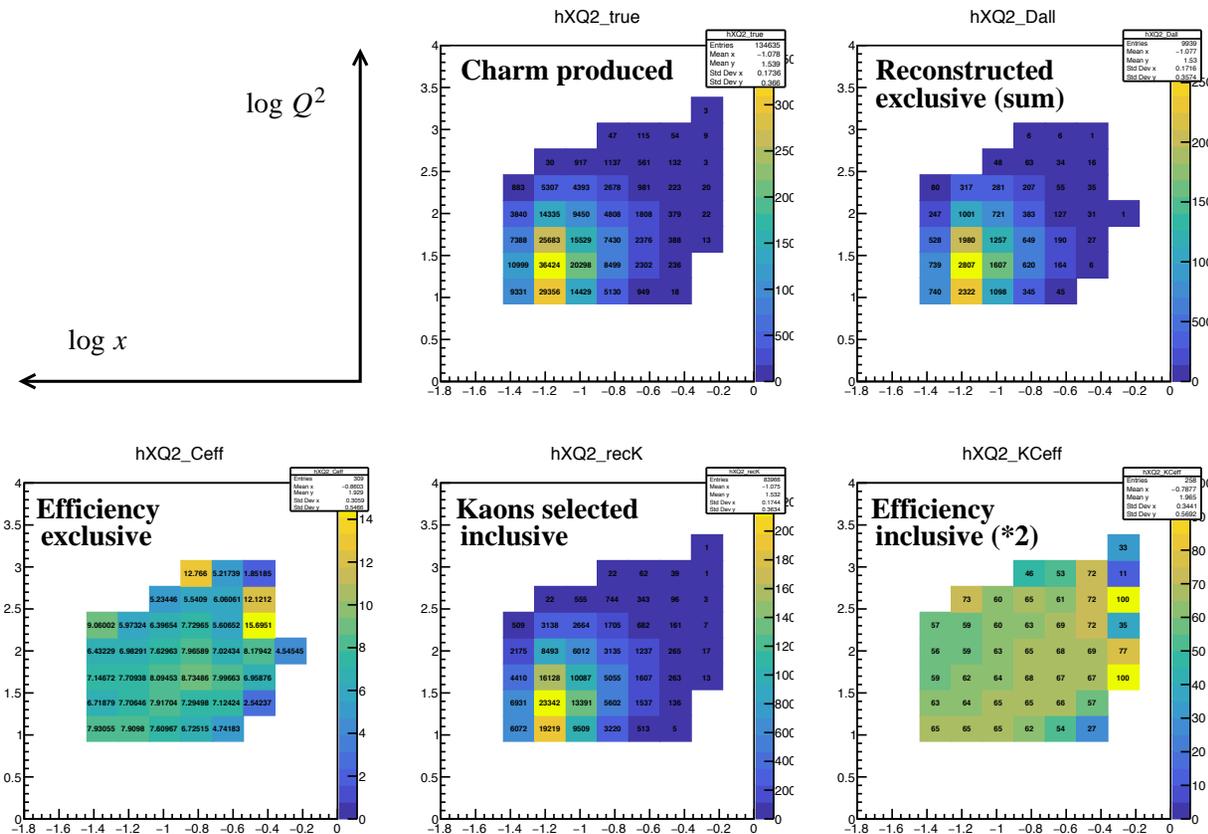
Level-2 simulation with mass/momentum and vertex smearing

Also other channels



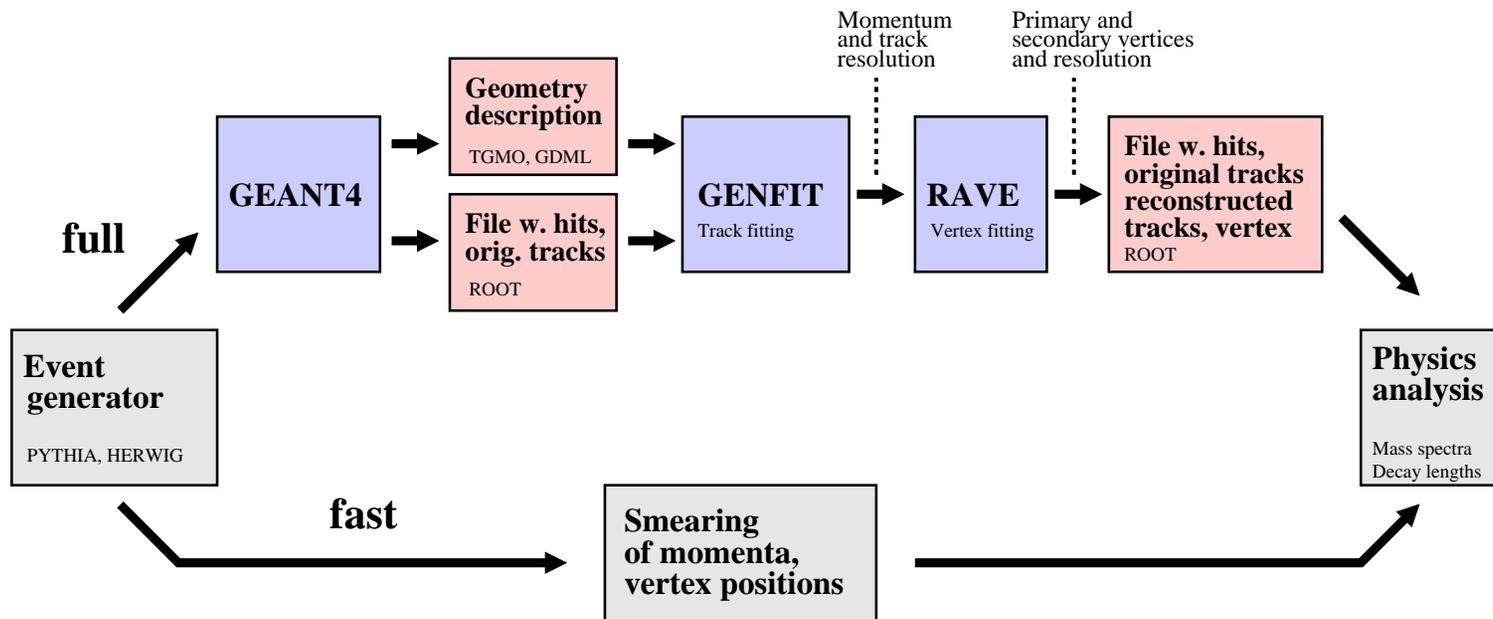
- Decay length significance distribution
  - Establish secondary vertex
  - Project decay length on jet axis, positive/negative
  - Identify  $D$ -meson decays through positive projection
- Used at HERA with vertex detector
- Use for charm at EIC
  - Identified  $K$  from PID
  - Efficiency up to  $\sim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

# 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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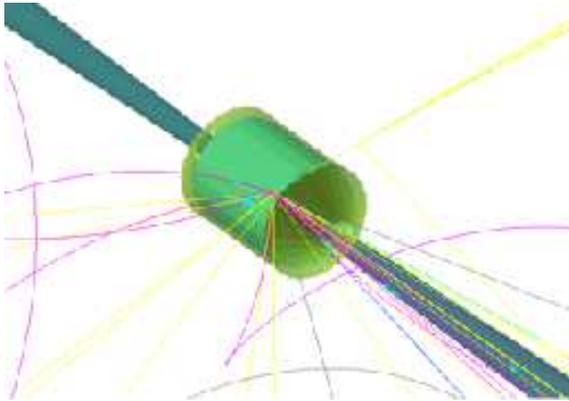
- Analysis chain for tracking and vertexing with JLEIC

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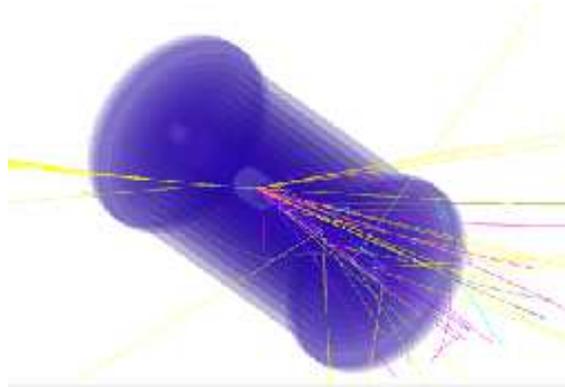
Model of vertex detector and outer tracker/endcap geometry  
Based on GEANT4/Root, uses available tools GENFIT, RAVE

- Can be used in two ways

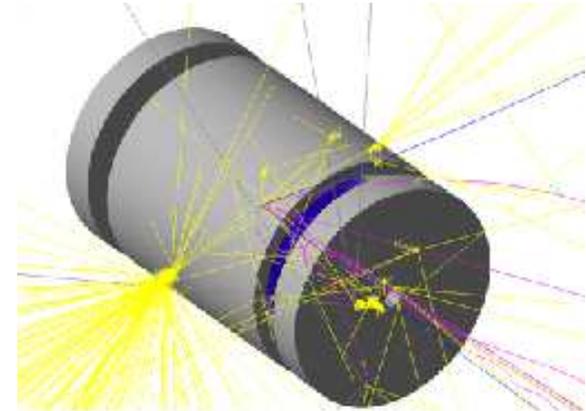
Verify smearing parameters of Level-2 simulations  
Full event reconstruction



Vertex detector

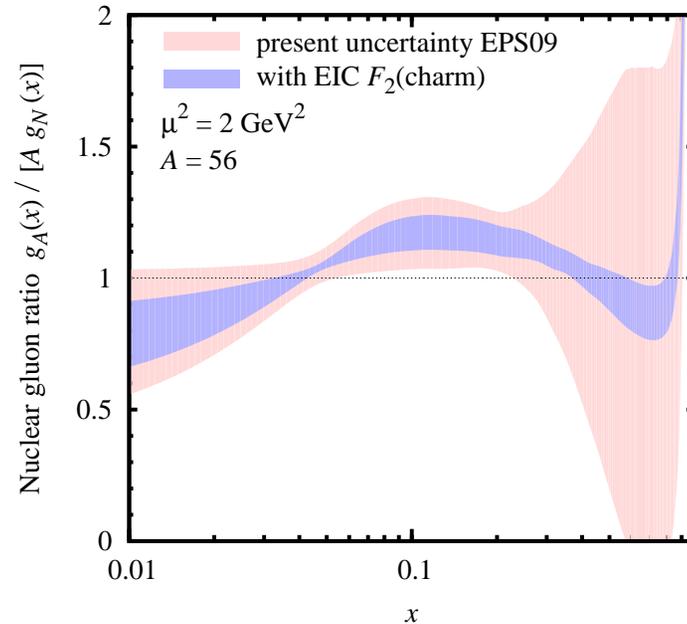
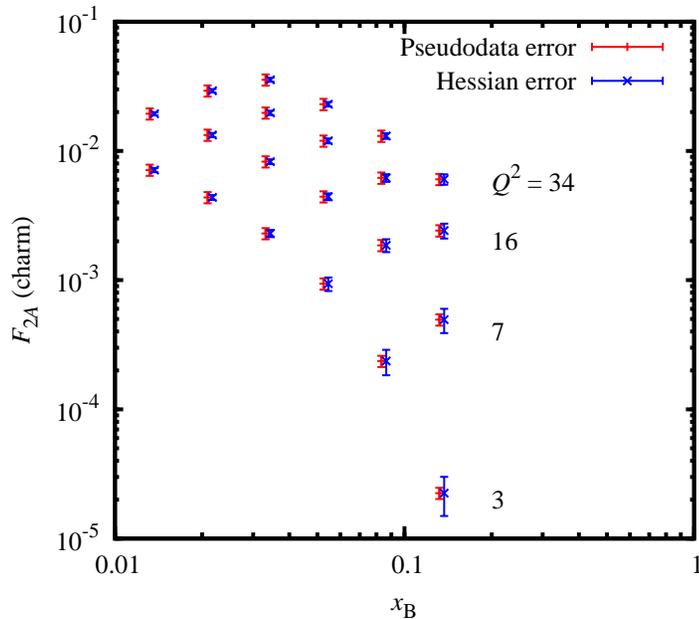


Outer tracker and endcap



Iron calorimeter

- Schematic detector model, describes geometry + magnetic field, implemented in GEANT4
- Can be adapted and optimized for HF simulations
- Open for collaboration  
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- Impact of charm production studied using PDF reweighting

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

- Substantial impact on large- $x$  nuclear gluons See also: Aschenauer et al, PRD 96 114005 (2017)

- Theoretical uncertainties to be estimated

Nuclear final-state interactions vs. initial-state modifications

Uncertainties of nuclear ratios

- Charm reconstruction with high- $p_T$  pairs – rare but distinct events
- Charm reconstruction with  $\Lambda_c$  using endcap and forward detector
- Beauty production and reconstruction
- HF photoproduction using low- $Q^2$  electron tagger

## Summary

- Great opportunities for HF physics at EIC
- HF production & reconstruction at large  $x$  needs fresh thinking

Challenges: Low rates, large DIS background

Capabilities:  $\pi/K$  PID, vertex detection

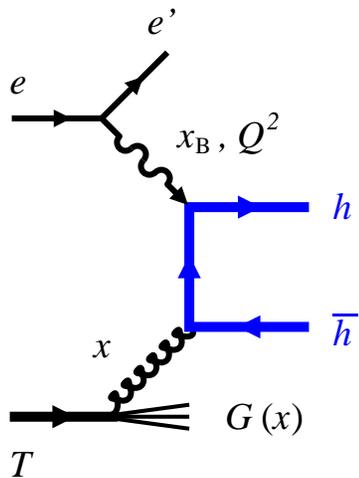
Methods: Exclusive and/or inclusive reconstruction

- Detector design needs input from HF simulations

Simulation tools available. Open for collaboration

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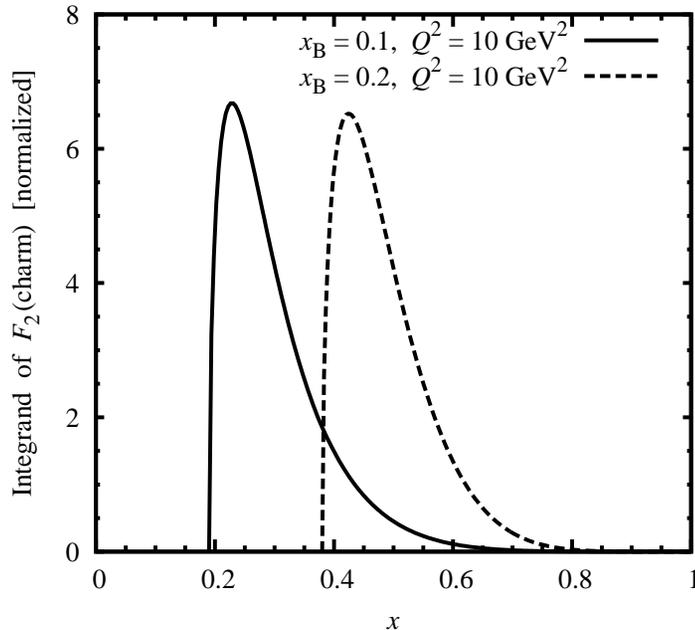
Supplementary material



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

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

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



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

Inclusive heavy structure functions  $F_2^h, F_L^h$

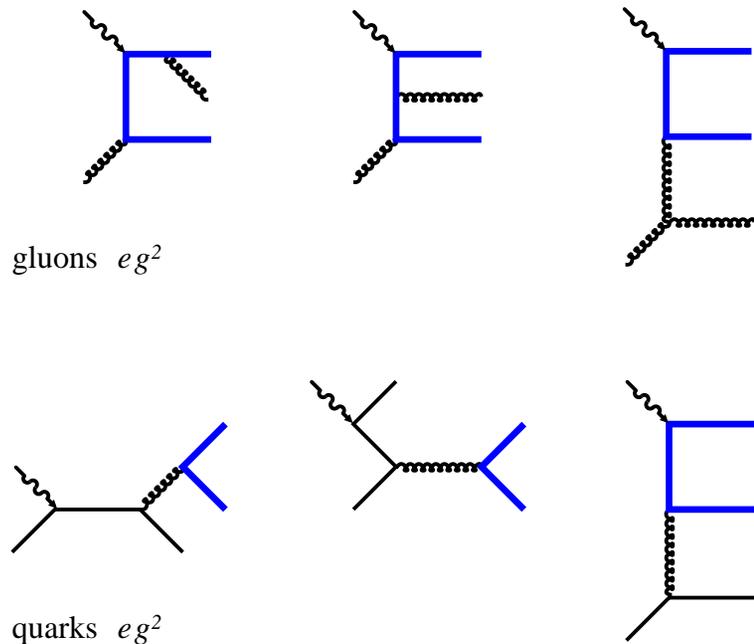
Differential cross section  $d^4\sigma/dQ^2 d\eta d^2p_T$

- 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  $x > 0.1$

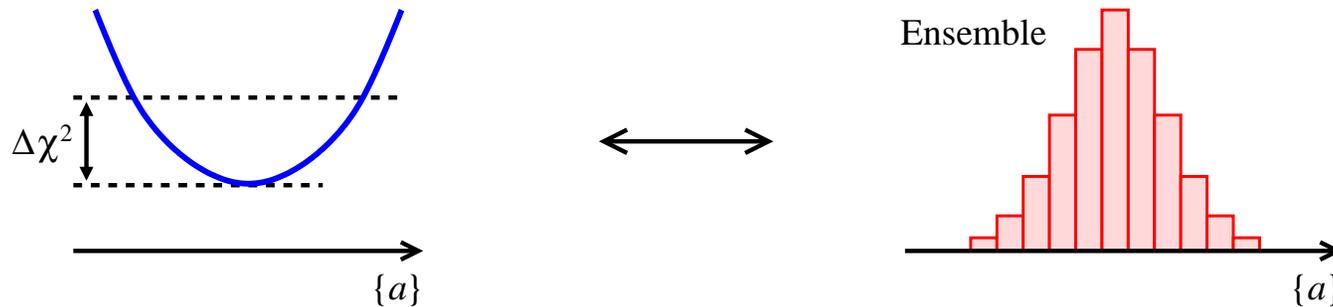
Theoretical uncertainties quantified

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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



- 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>