Upsilon-Underlying Event Correlations in pp Collisions at ATLAS

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Big Picture: Why are we looking at **Y**-UE correlations

- Soft sector observables that were once (uniquely) associated with a QGP have been measured in pp collisions
 - Most prominently "flow" which persists to low multiplicity pp & even photo-nuclear interactions
 - Strangeness enhancement
- It's more difficult to tell this story with hard sector observables
- Here we look at Upsilon meson correlations with inclusive charged particles to try to bridge the soft-hard gap



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- In a previous study we asked: Does the presence of a hard scattering in the collision change "something-likegeometry" and consequently the observed "flow"?
- To answer we studied v₂ via 2particle correlations in pp collisions 'tagged' by a Z boson
- The answer to above question is not really



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- Developed techniques for HI-style analysis in high-luminosity pp collisions
 - We learned how to look at all tracks in the event even with high pile-up conditions
 - Starting thinking about where else this could be used ... **Upsilon mesons**!



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What Do We Know about Upsilon Production at the LHC?

- Production cross-section seems well measured in pp collisions
- Some questions remain regarding polarization, importance of $\boldsymbol{\chi}_{\rm h}$ feeddown etc

Υ(1S)

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 - pA could give us some sense of the influence of "cold nuclear effects"

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- More detailed measurem entices = 0in 2020 in = 1
 - Including analysis of event $N_{\text{track}}^{\Delta R} > 2$ geometry via spherocity $K_{\text{track}}^{\Delta R} > 1.2$ suggests effect is connected with UE net jets 60, $\frac{80}{M_{\text{track}}} = 0$ $\frac{100}{7}$ jet-like¹⁴⁰

 $S_{xy}^{T} = \frac{1}{\sum_{i} p_{\mathrm{T}i}} \sum_{i} \frac{1}{p_{\mathrm{T}i}} \begin{pmatrix} p_{xi}^{2} & p_{xi}p_{yi} \\ p_{xi}p_{yi} & p_{yi}^{2} \end{pmatrix}$

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 Shift in UE multiplicity across different excitation states can be understood as suppression of excited states at higher multiplicity

Is there Y(nS) Suppression in pp Collisions?

- As event multiplicity (should be UE) grows larger, excited Y states are, compared to the ground state, relatively less likely to be found
- Do the CMS and ATLAS results show some "QGP-like" quarkonium "melting"?
- Is it even a suppression? Maybe it's a lower state enhancement?
 →In any case seems to be a hard UE correlated phenomenon

Co-mover Interaction Model (CIM)

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- Within CIM, quarkonia are broken by collisions with comovers i.e. final state particles with similar rapidities.
- CIM is typically used to explain *p*+A and A+A systems, matches CMS Upsilon pp data.
- With the new data, CIM can be tested on pp to reproduce $\Upsilon(nS) \Upsilon(1S)$ differences
 - in cross section
 - in *n*_{ch}
 - in hadron kinematic distributions: p_{T} , $\Delta \phi \Delta \eta$

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Quarkonia Ratios Expected From m_{T} Scaling

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- Transverse mass scaling lets one define an expectation for the excited states relative to the ground states
- Works well ~universally for light mesons at LHC energies
- Looking at Upsilon meson cross-sections shows missing excited states at low p_T for Y(2S) factor of 1.6 are missing for Y(3S) factor of 2.4!

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Summary

- Strong evidence from Upsilon mesons that there is some non-trivial interaction between the "UE" and a hard scattering
- ATLAS & CMS have independent approaches that both point to UE driven modification of relative abundance of ground state vs excited state Upsilon mesons
 - Modification appearst to be a suppression of excited states
- Seems we don't understand Upsilon hadronization as it depends on the UE
- More investigations can be made in the data
 - Check rapidity dependence
 - Check other species etc
- Effect is large and significant
 - Can existing models see this effect?
 - New ideas?

