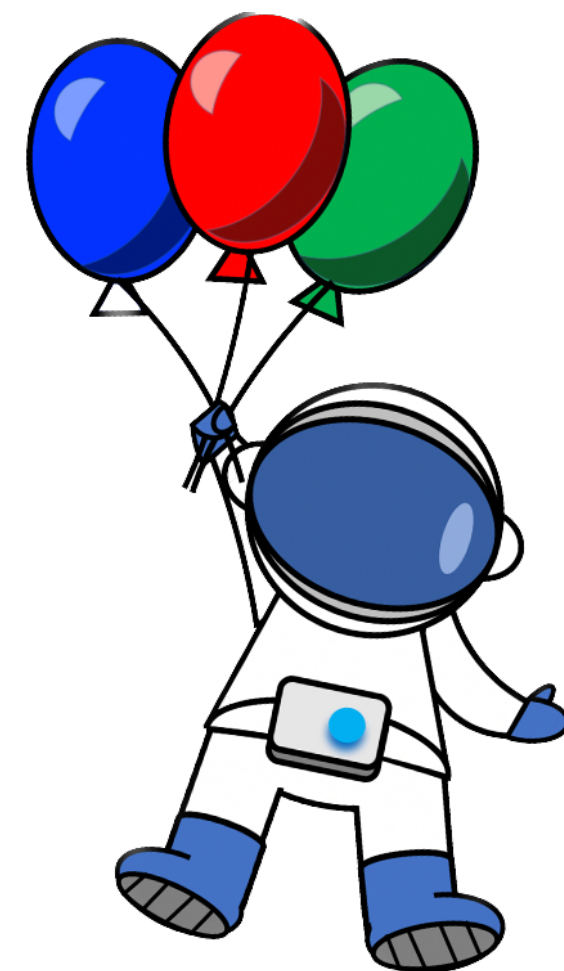


# **First energy-energy correlators measurements for inclusive and heavy-flavour tagged jets with ALICE**

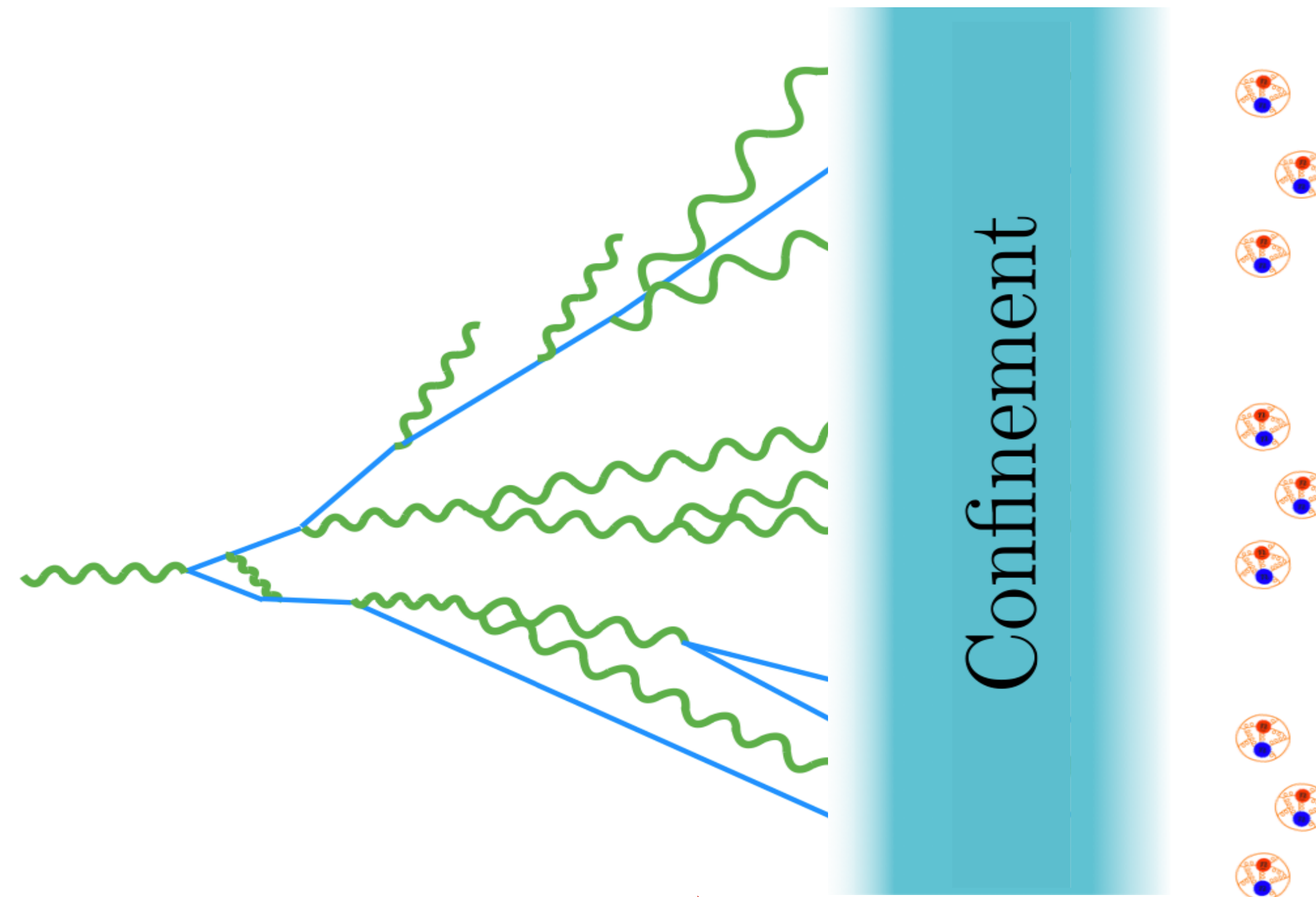
**Wenqing Fan for ALICE  
Collaboration  
Quark Matter 2023**





► Jet formation encodes rich QCD dynamics

- ❖ Original splitting
- ❖ Confinement/hadronization



**Perturbative**

Short time scale  
High energy scale

from weak to  
strong coupled  
limit

**Nonperturbative (NP)**

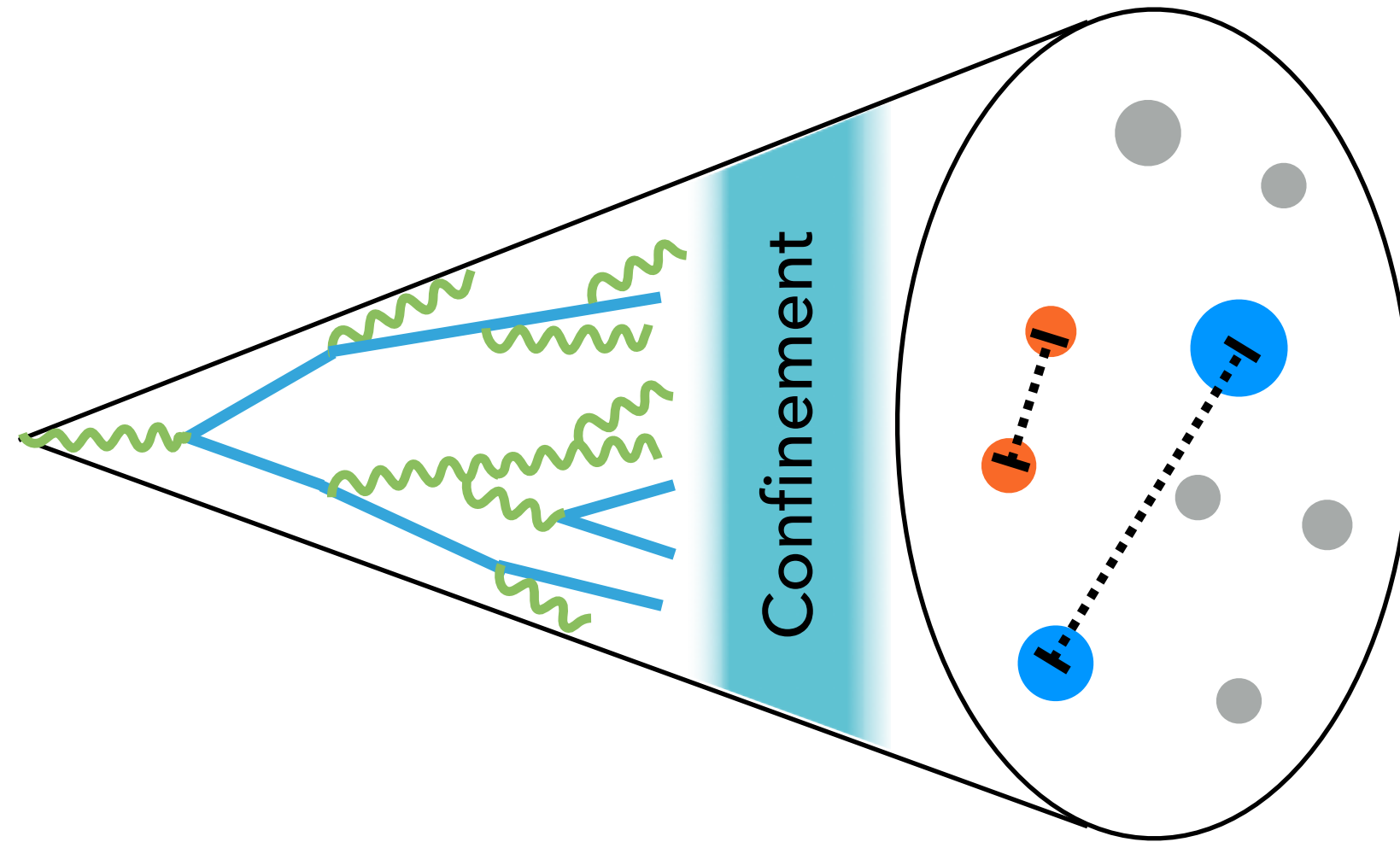
Long time scale  
Low energy scale

What can we learn about  
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between  $q/g$ ?

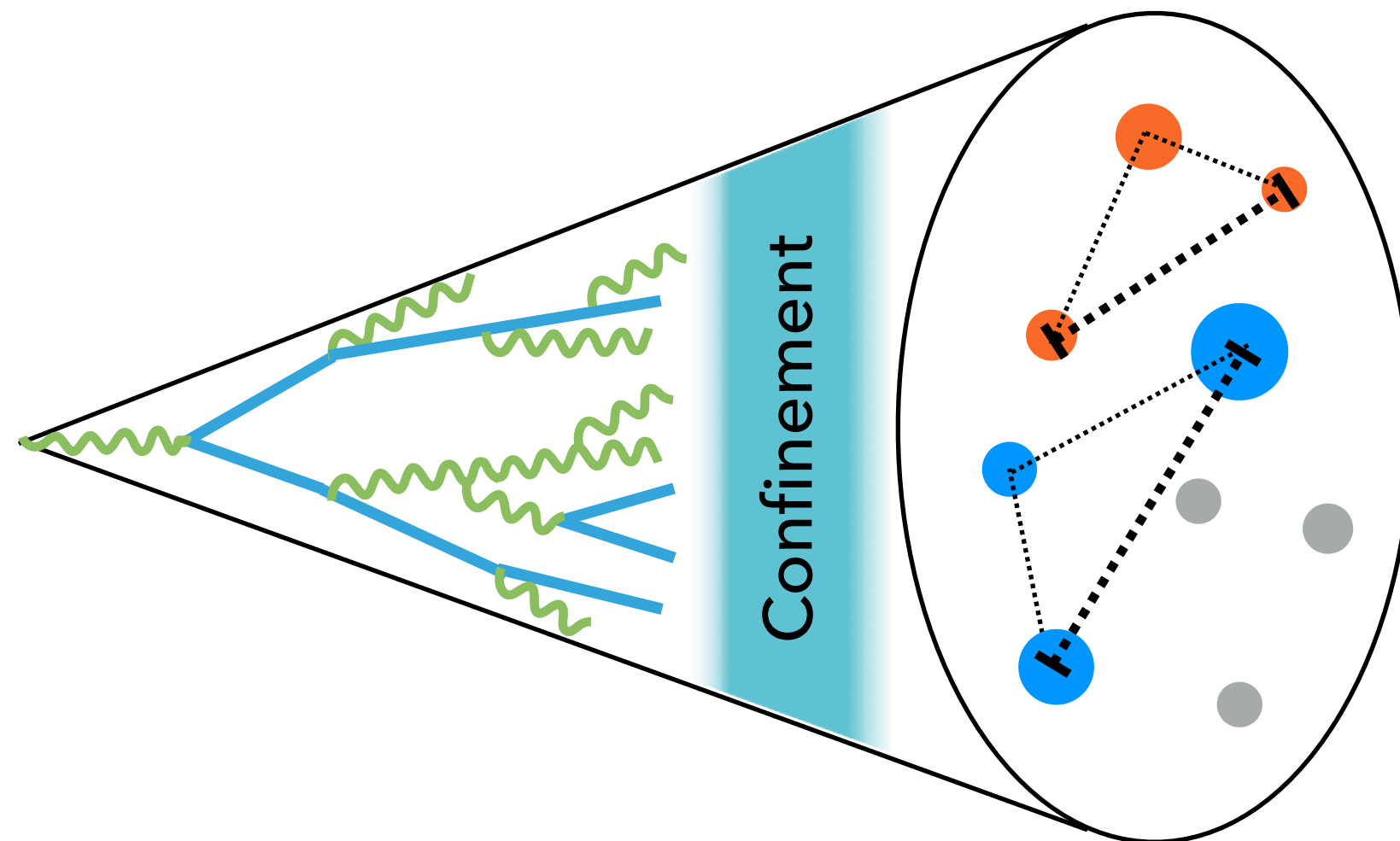
What can we learn about  
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What is the role of color  
charge and mass?

How does the medium  
modifies the jet evolution?



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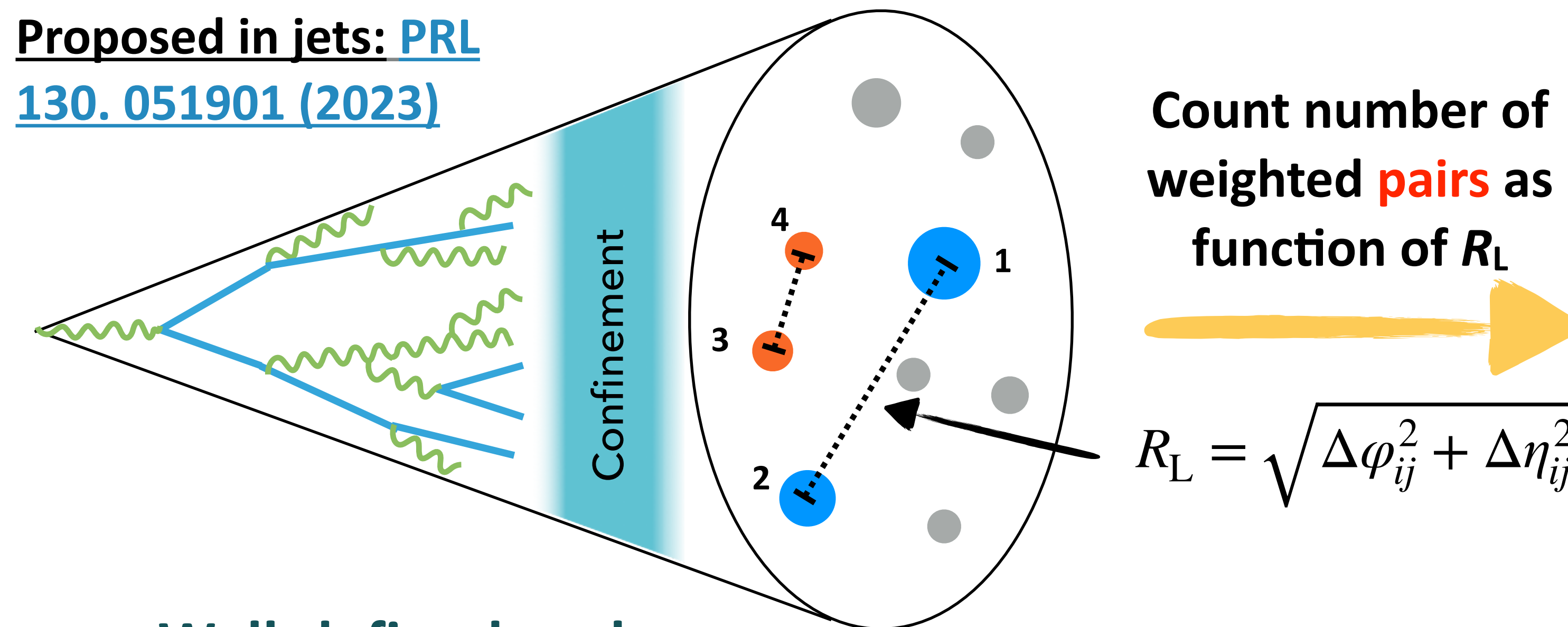


**NEW**

- 2 and 3 point energy correlator results in pp at 13 TeV

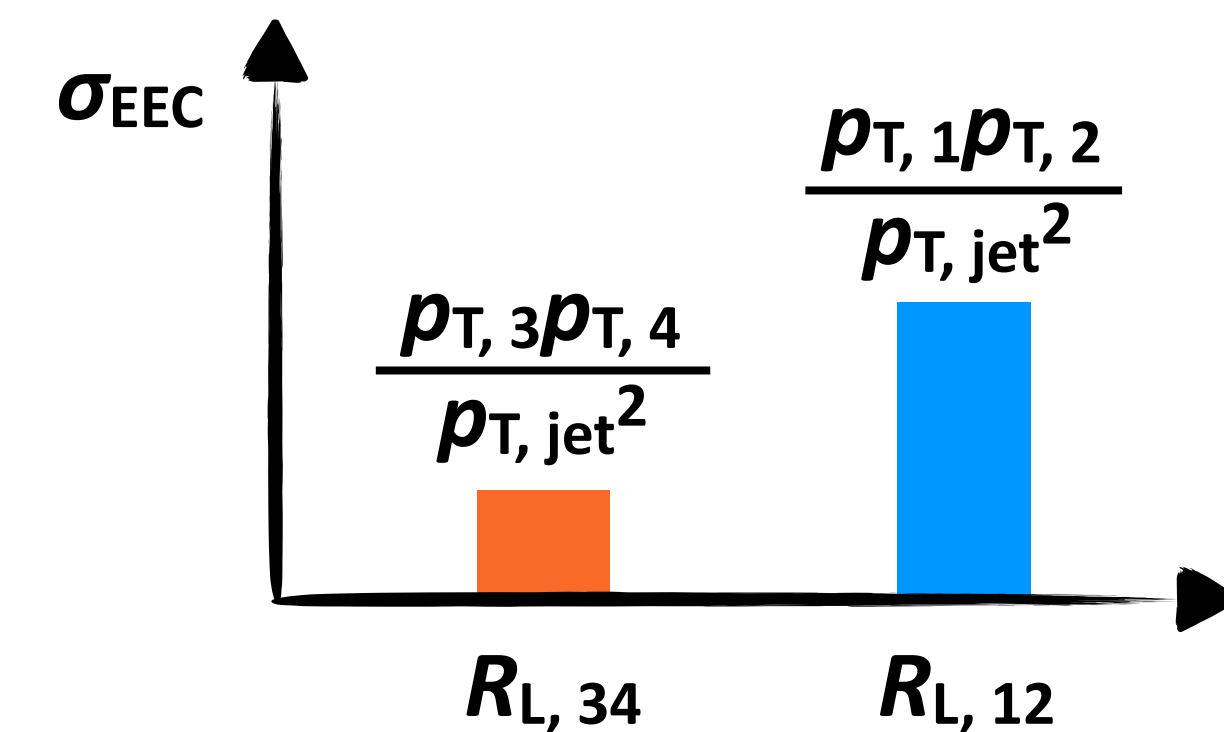
- Outlook of the ongoing heavy-flavor studies

Proposed in jets: [PRL 130. 051901 \(2023\)](#)



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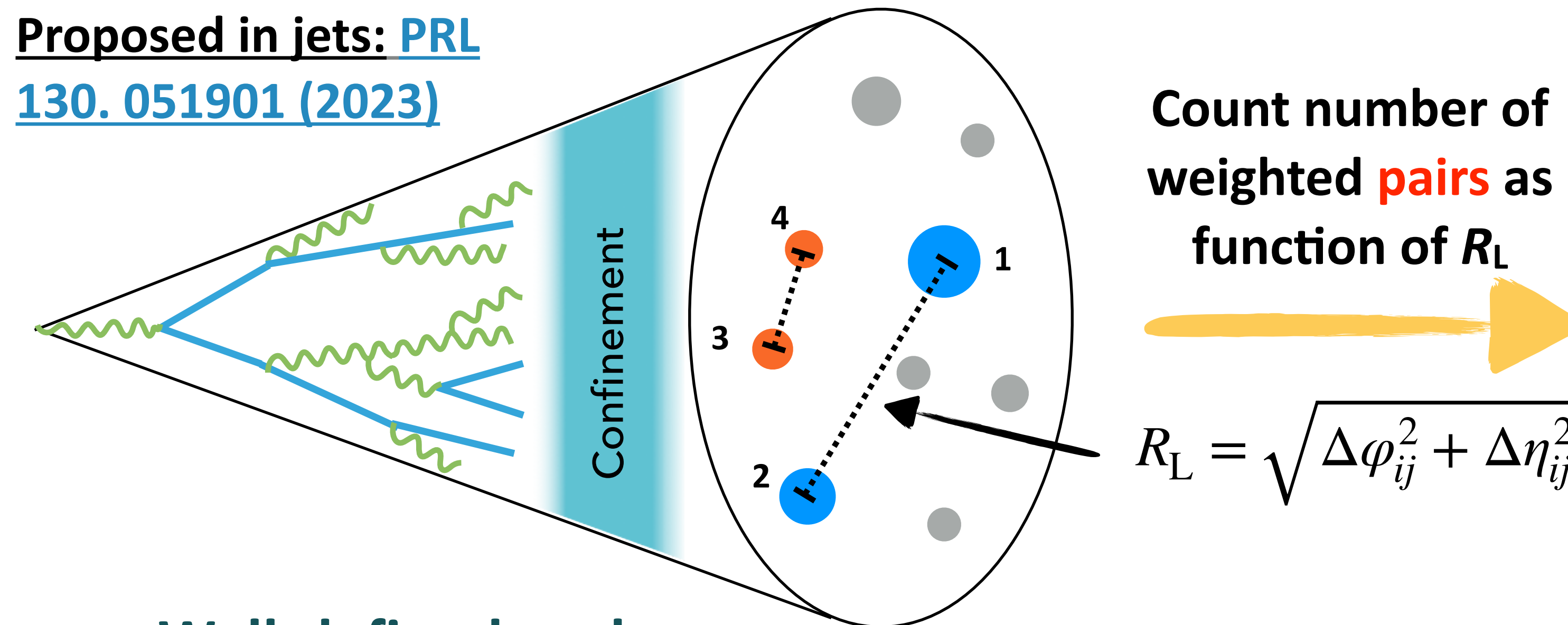


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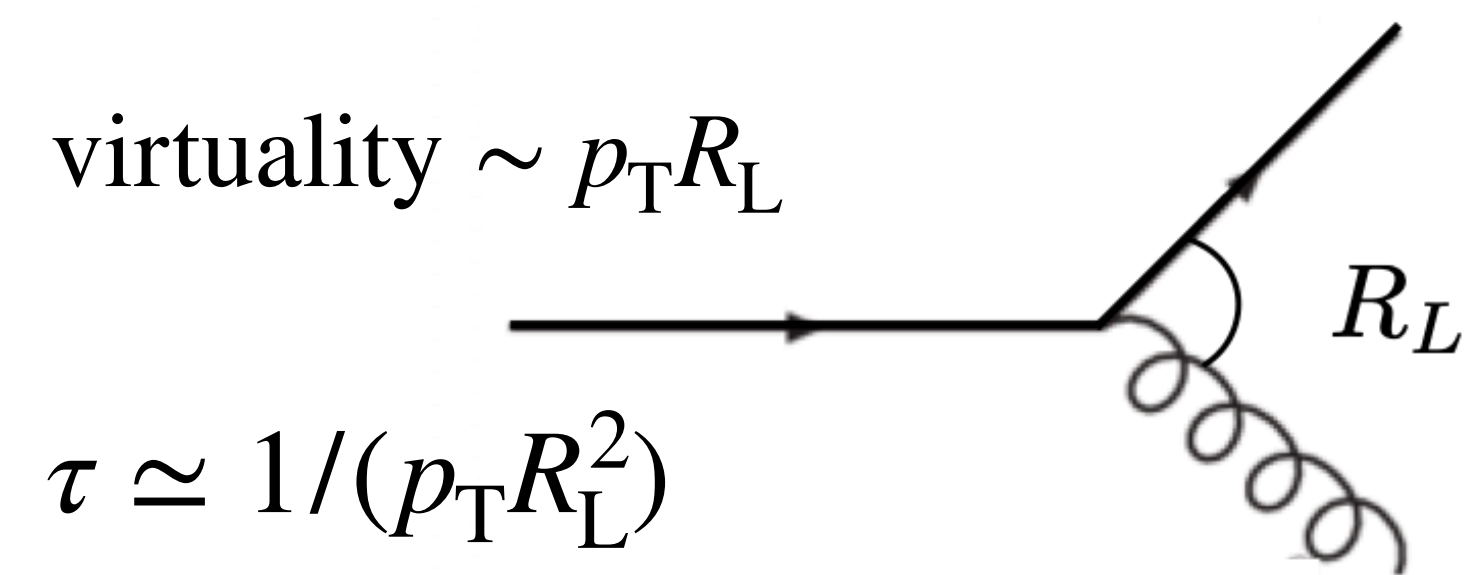
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## ► Probing fixed scale with fixed $R_L$

- ❖ Large  $\rightarrow$  small angle: perturbative  $\rightarrow$  NP scales
- ❖ When the virtuality approaches  $\mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}})$ , EEC undergo transition into confinement region

virtuality  $\sim p_T R_L$

$$\tau \simeq 1/(p_T R_L^2)$$



Transition  $R_L \sim \mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}})/p_{T,\text{jet}}$

- Measurement carried out for  $R = 0.4$  charged-particle jets with  $p_T$  in [20, 80) GeV/c
- Detector effects corrected bin-by-bin
  - ❖ Data well described by MC simulation
  - ❖ Small migration along  $R_L$  axis
  - ❖ Correction factor is small
  - ❖ Total systematics < 4%

Different scaling behavior observed in the perturbative (large  $R_L$ ) and NP region (small  $R_L$ )

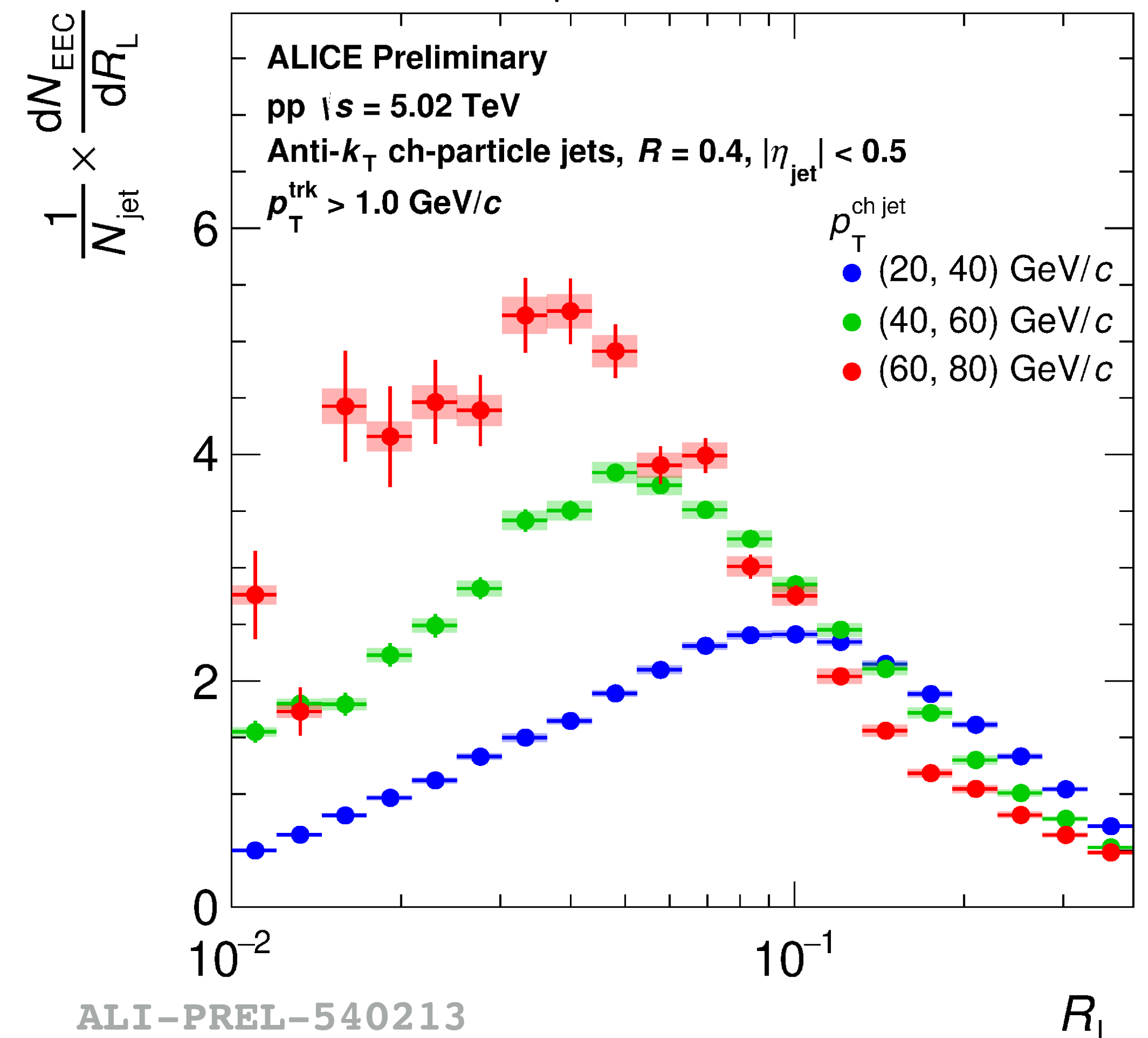
Transition position shifts to lower  $R_L$  for higher jet  $p_T$  range

Also measured by [STAR](#) and [CMS](#)

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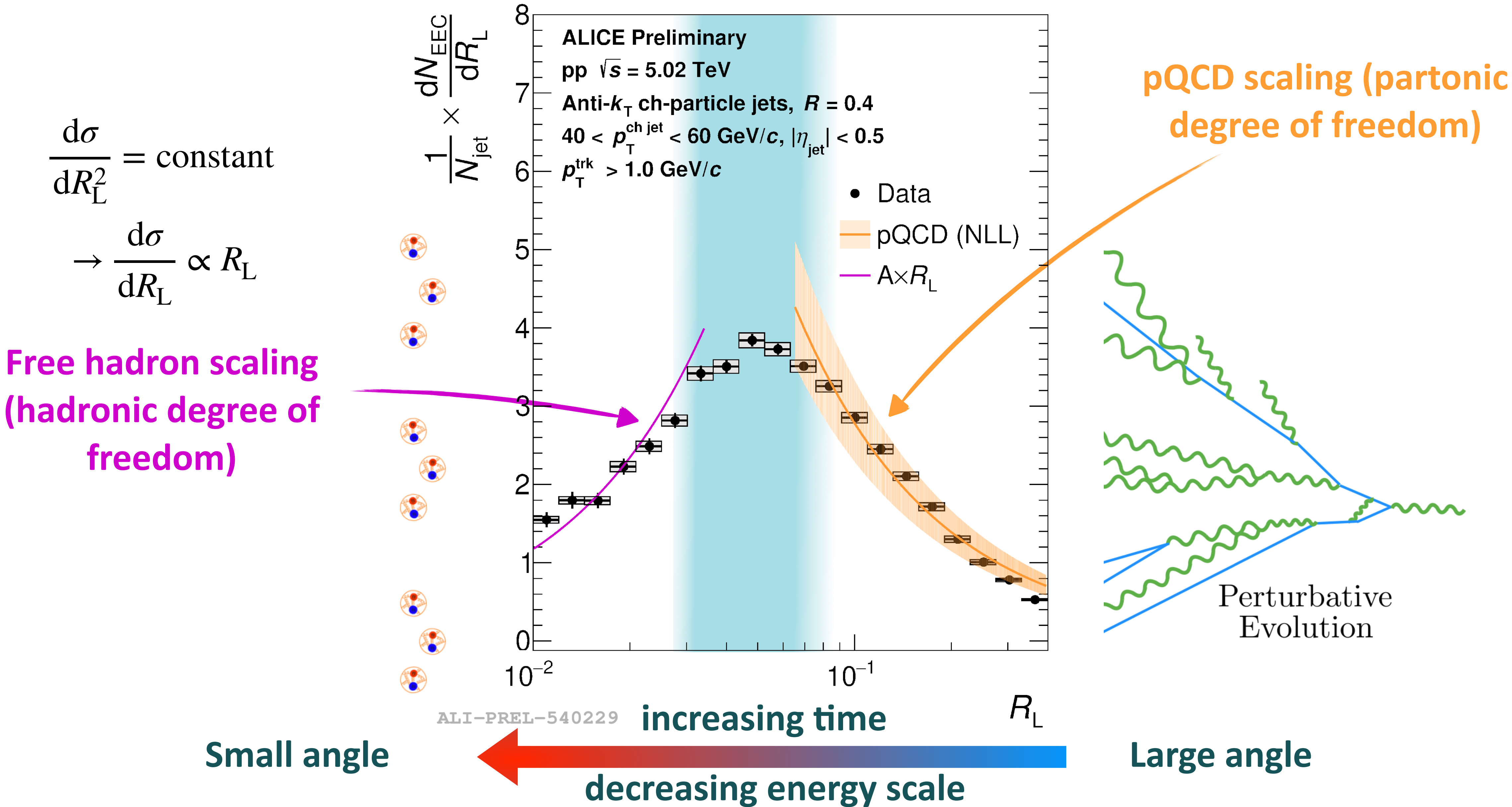
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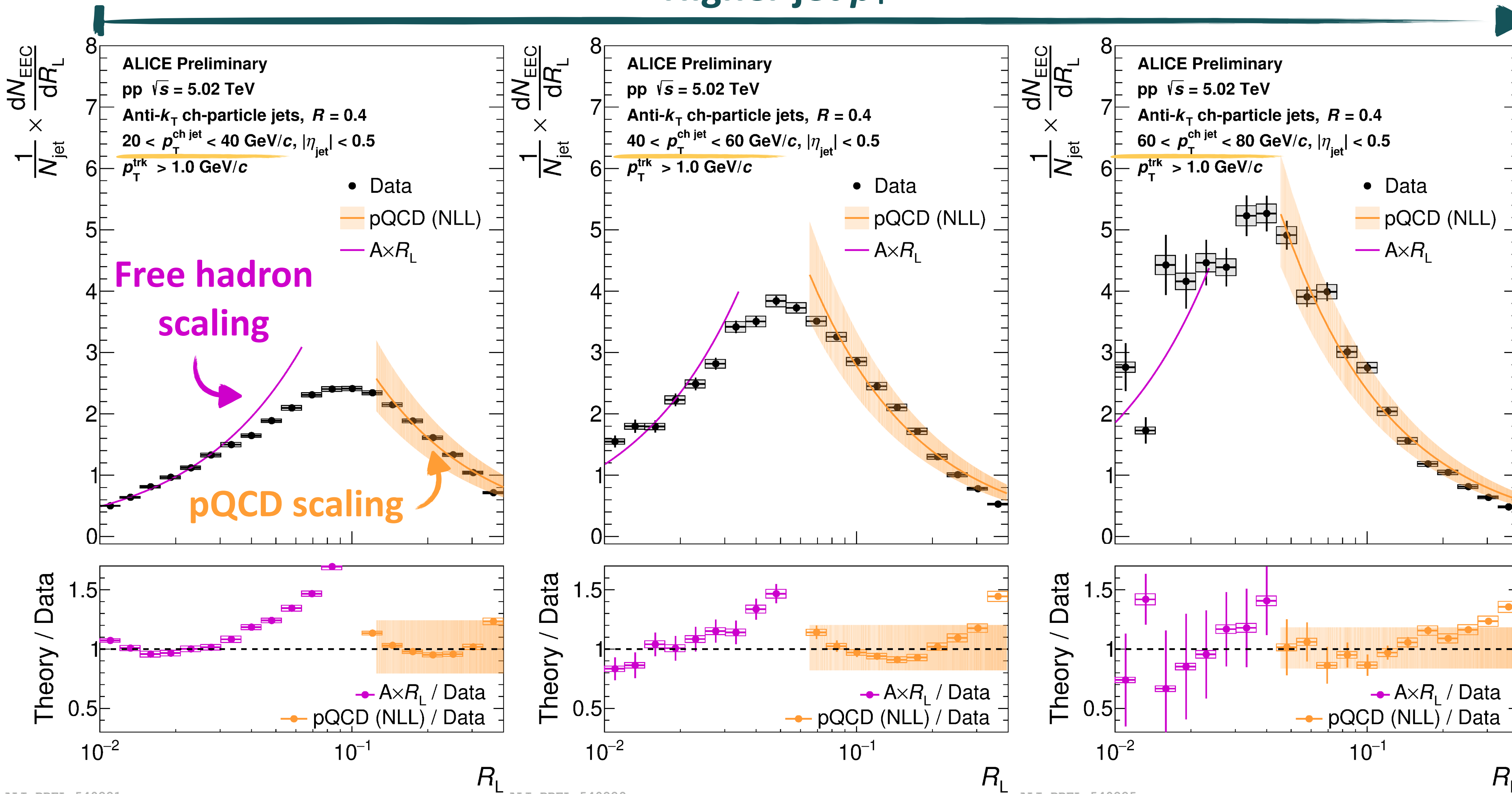




Confinement



## Higher jet $p_T$



From large to  
small angle

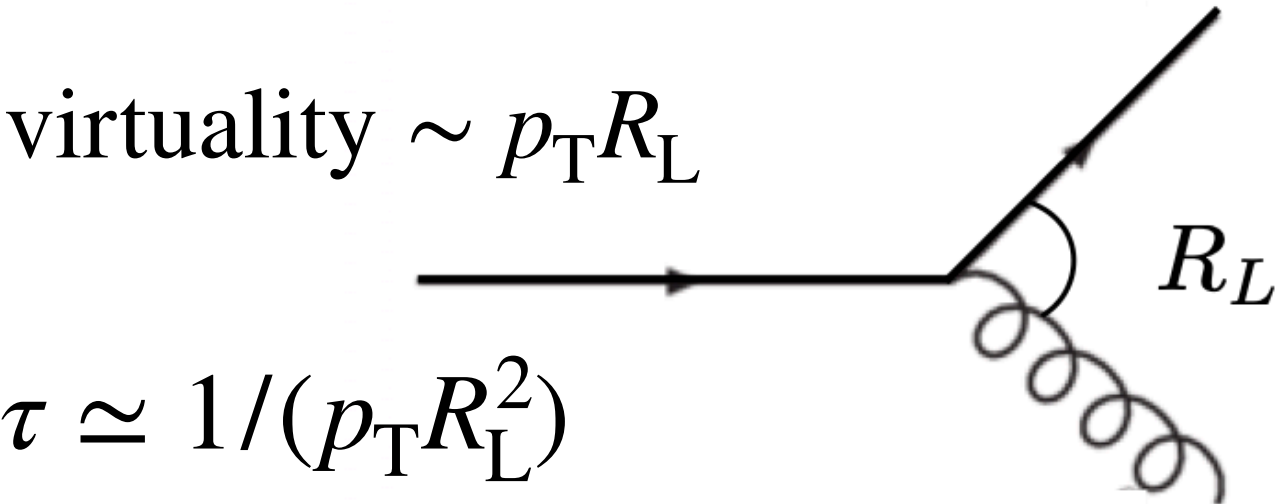
Large angle:  
pQCD scaling

Deviation from  
pQCD near  
transition region:  
increasing NP  
effects

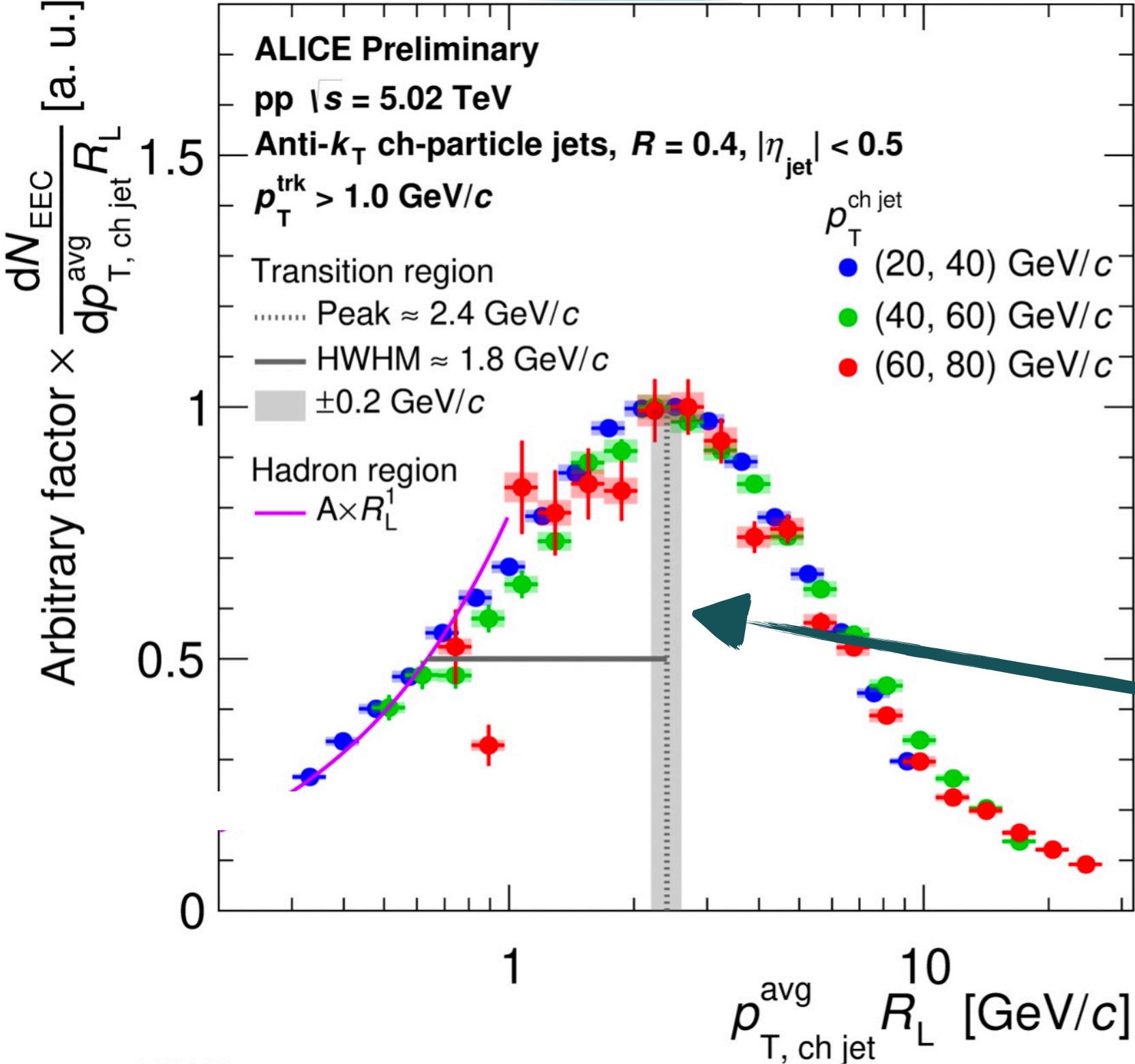
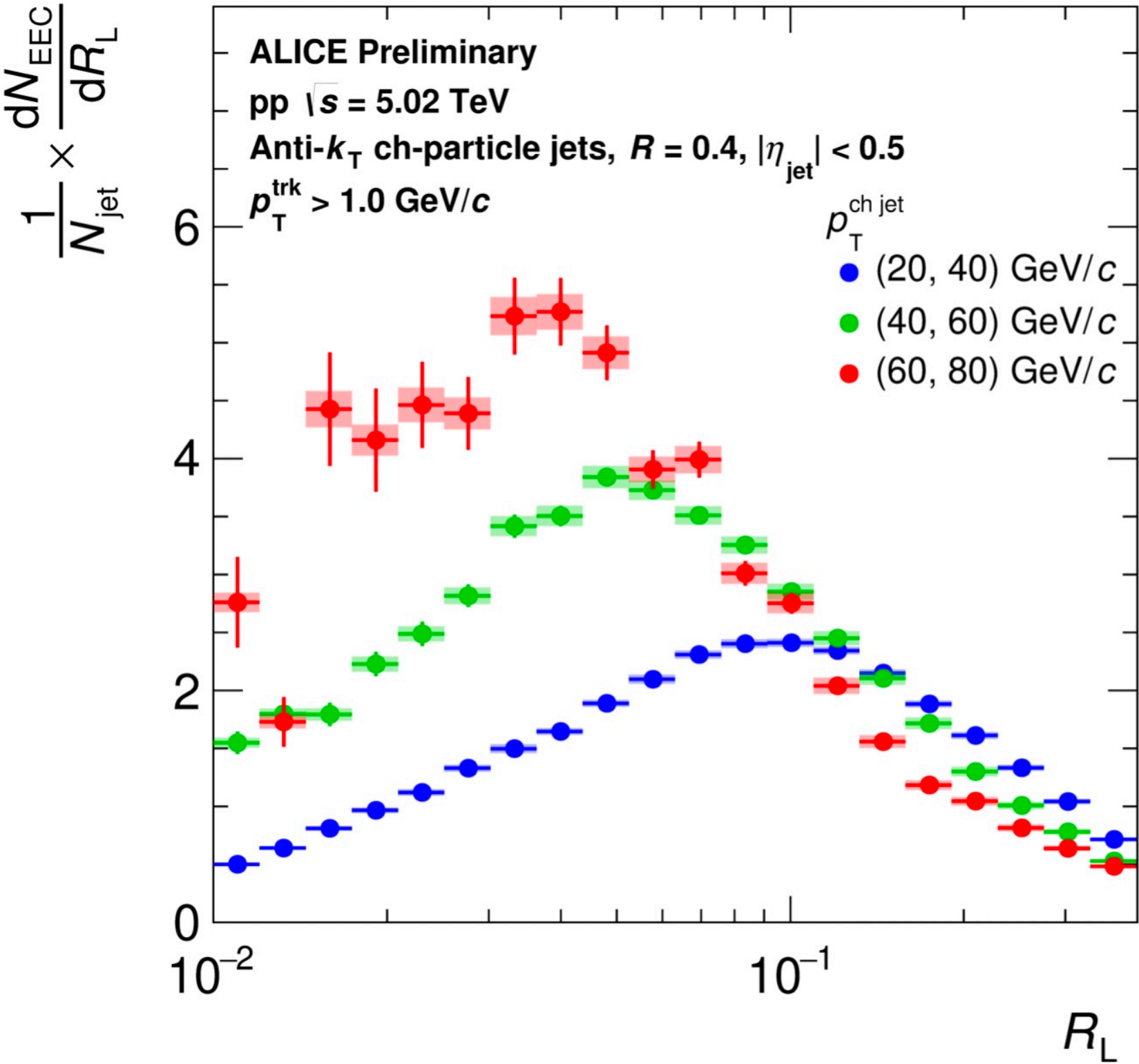
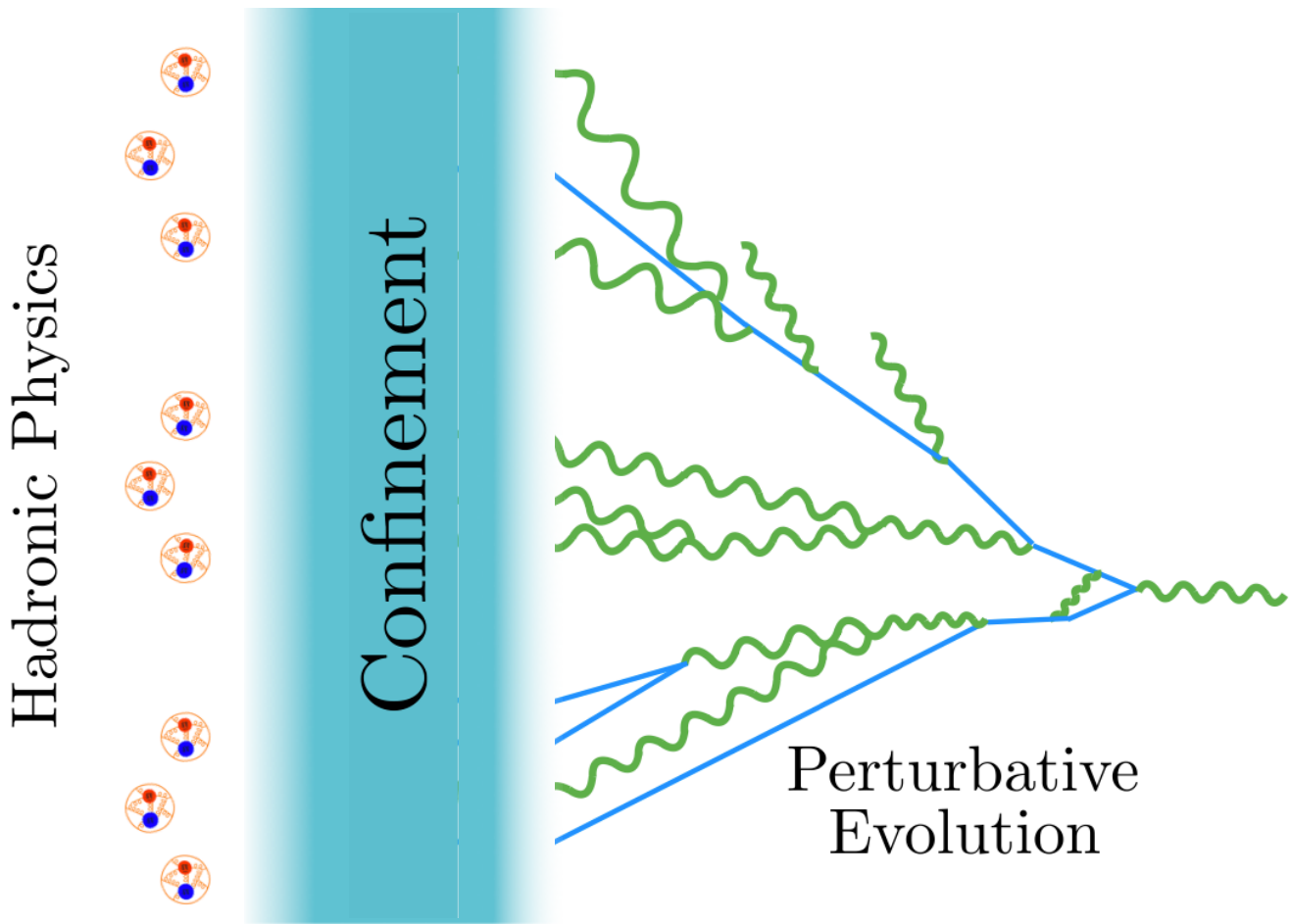
Small angle: free  
hadron scaling

NLL calculations correspond to full (charged+neutral) jets and are normalized to data in perturbative region ([arXiv:2205.03414](https://arxiv.org/abs/2205.03414))





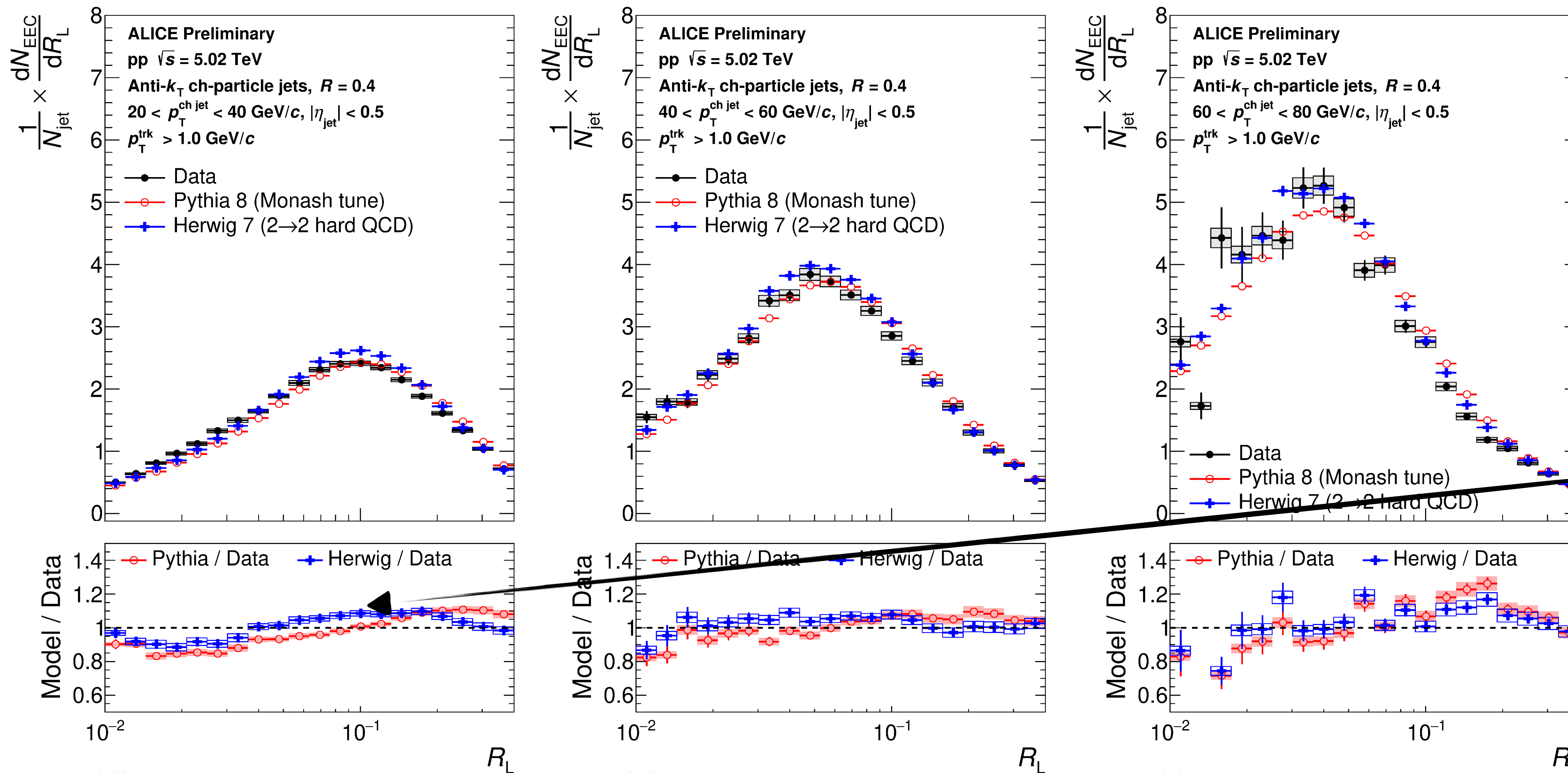
Scaling angle  $R_L$  by  
jet  $p_T$  and  
normalize y scale



EEC distributions in  
different jet  $p_T$  bin have  
similar shape

Transition peak  
position  $\sim 2.4$  GeV

- Different hadronization mechanism in Pythia (string-breaking) and Herwig (clustering)
- ❖ Transition peak in Herwig at smaller angle w.r.t. Pythia  $\Leftrightarrow$  later hadronization with clustering

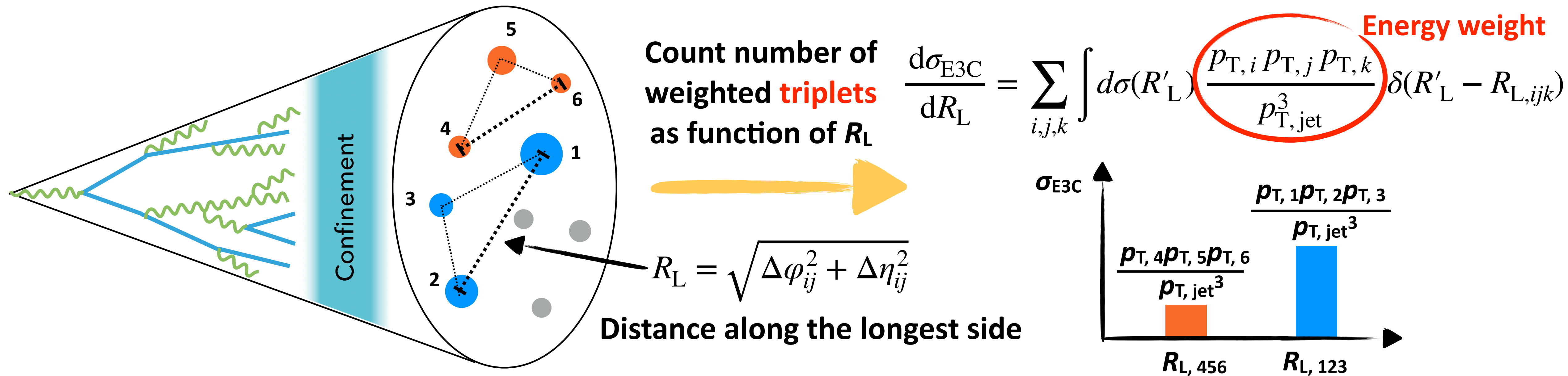


**Herwig**  
describes data  
slightly better  
than PYTHIA in  
peak position

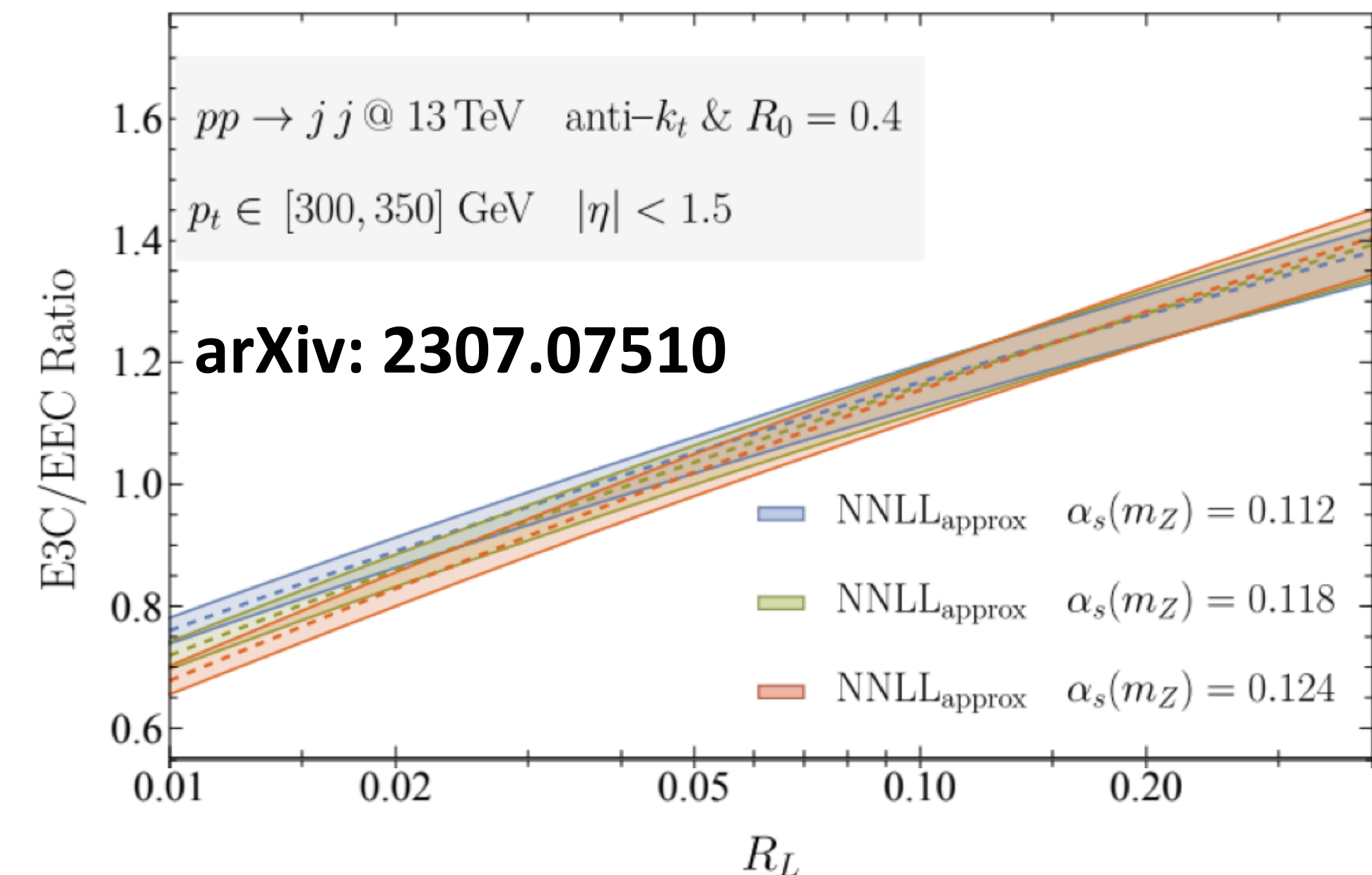
**Data has**  
broader width  
than Herwig

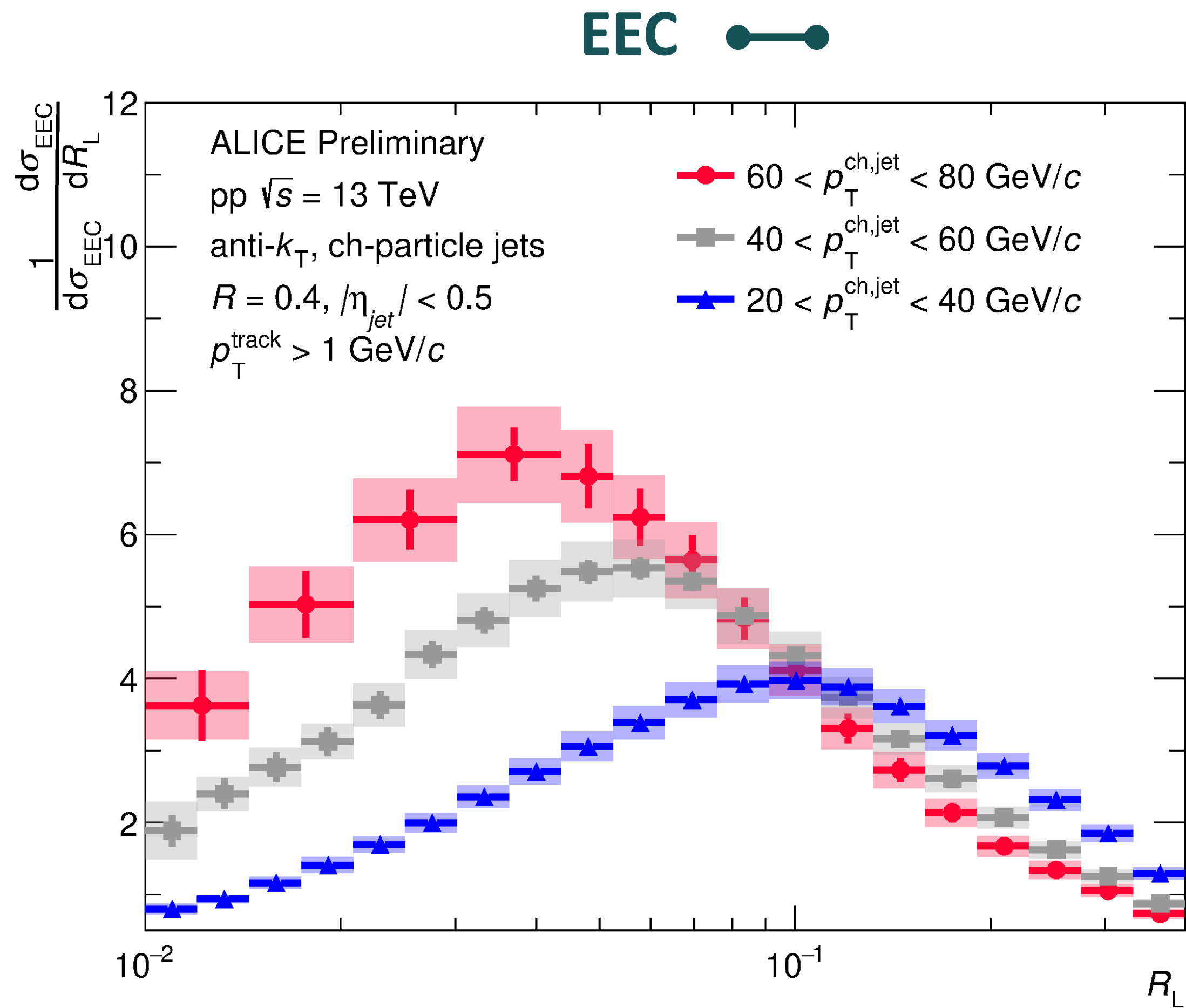
Also looking into  
comparison with  
Sherpa and  
JETSCAPE





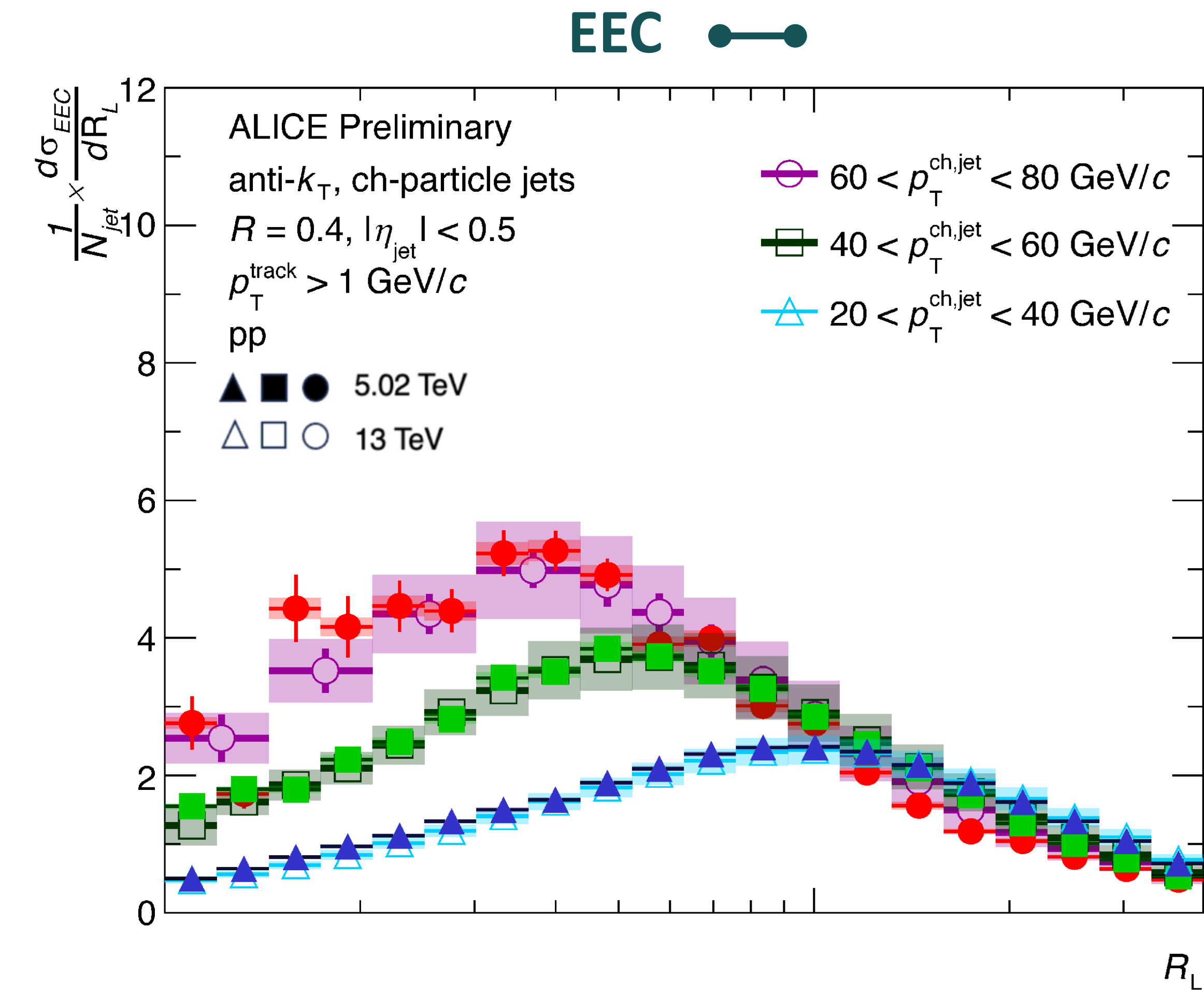
- Accessing higher order QCD dynamics: 1 → 3 splitting
- More precision on the perturbative QCD studies
  - ❖ Cancellation of NP effects via E3C/EEC ratio





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Area normalized in the measured range

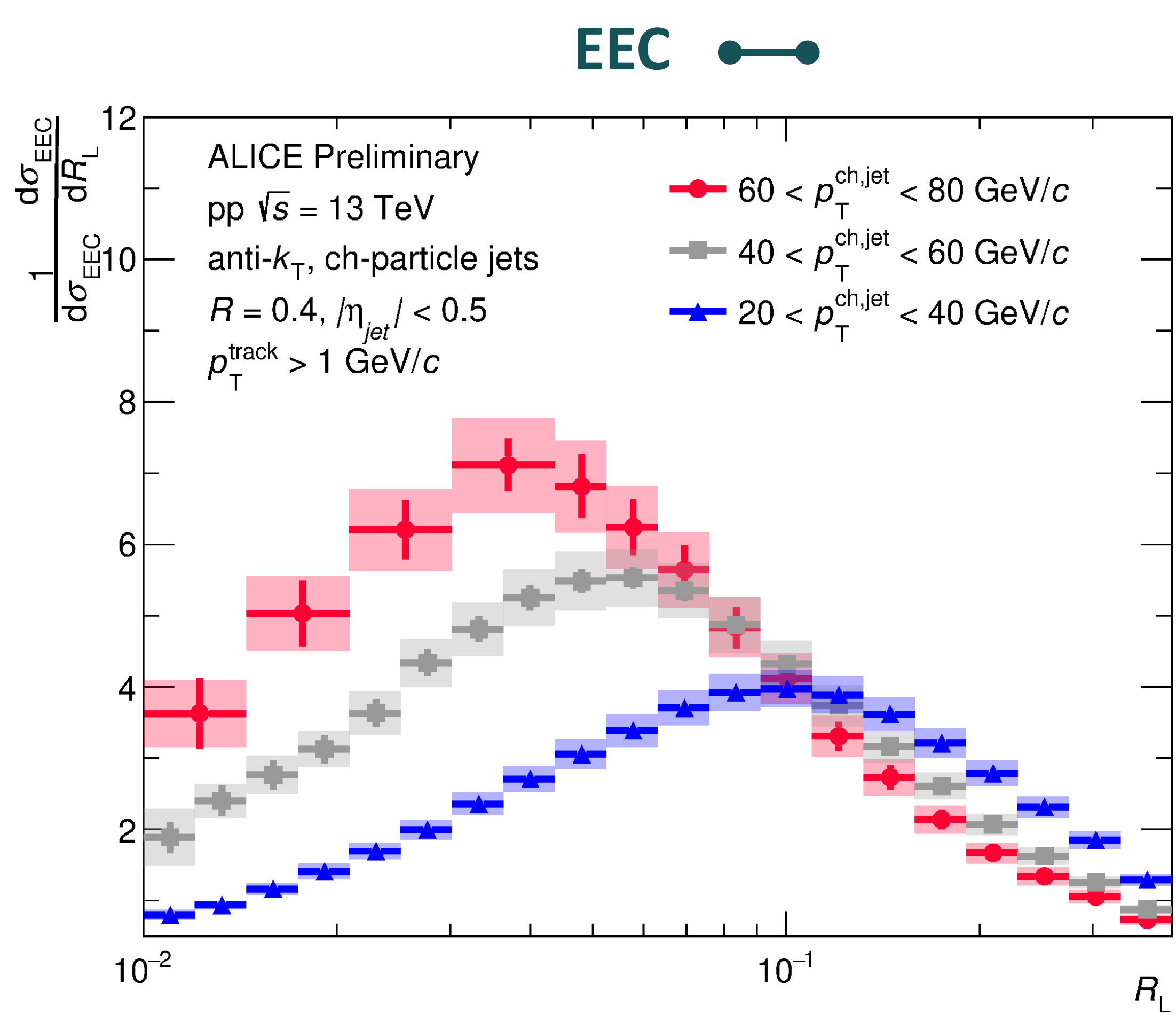
Similar EEC distributions at 5 and 13 TeV



ALI-PREL-557542  
Normalized by inclusive jets

No significant beam energy dependence for the transition peak

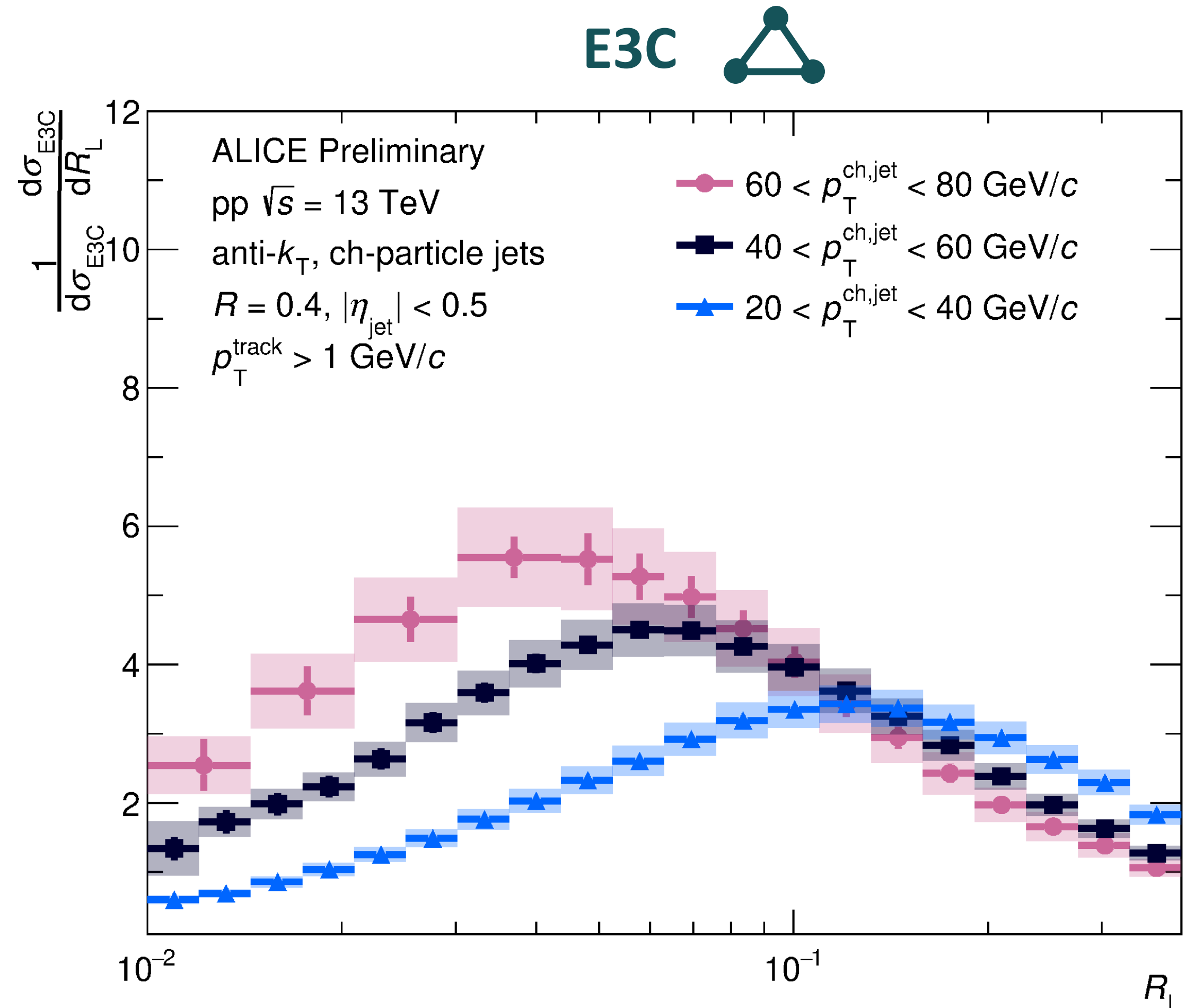




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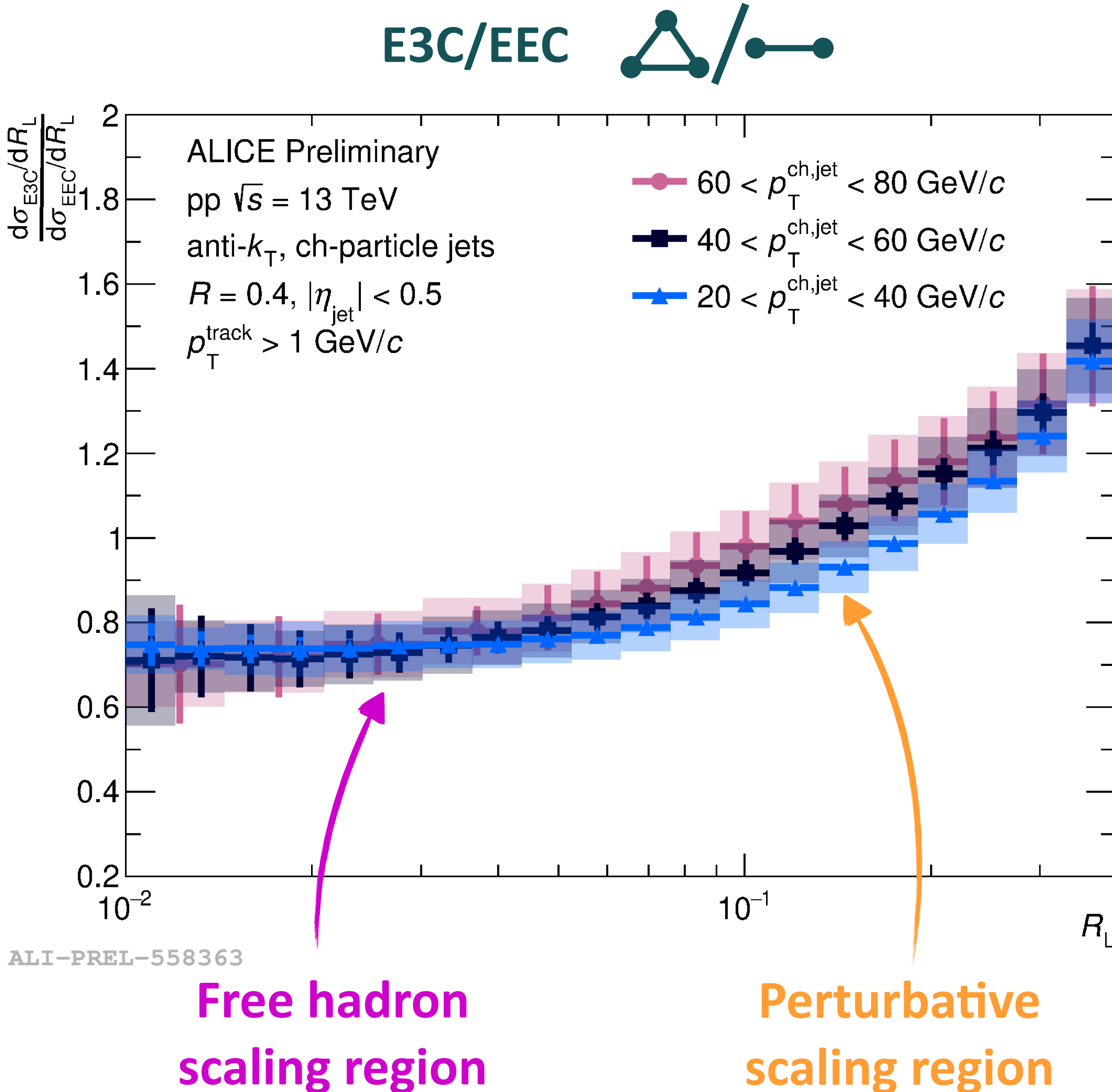
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Separation of NP and perturbative scaling behavior also in E3C

Different pQCD scaling behavior in E3C



- Cancellation of NP effects and systematic uncertainties

- ❖ Small  $R_L$ : flat shape for free hadron region
- ❖ Large  $R_L$ : slope sensitive to  $\alpha_s$

$$\text{E3C/EEC ratio} \propto \alpha_s(Q) \ln R_L + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$$

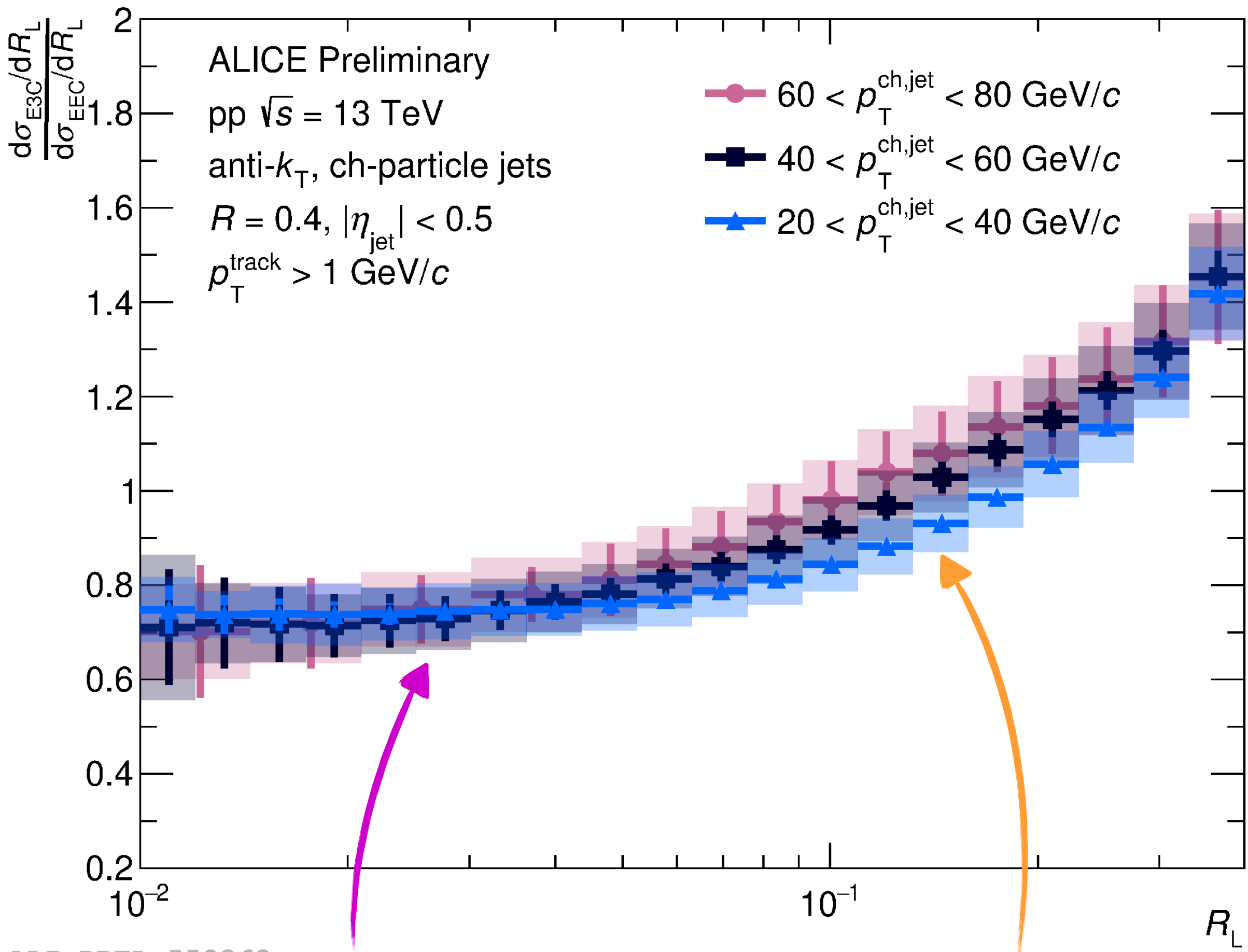
High precision constraint on  $\alpha_s$   
from jet substructure

- Slope decrease towards higher jet  $p_T$ 
  - ❖ Higher jet  $p_T \rightarrow$  higher  $Q \rightarrow$  smaller  $\alpha_s \rightarrow$  smaller slope

Consistent with running of the coupling!

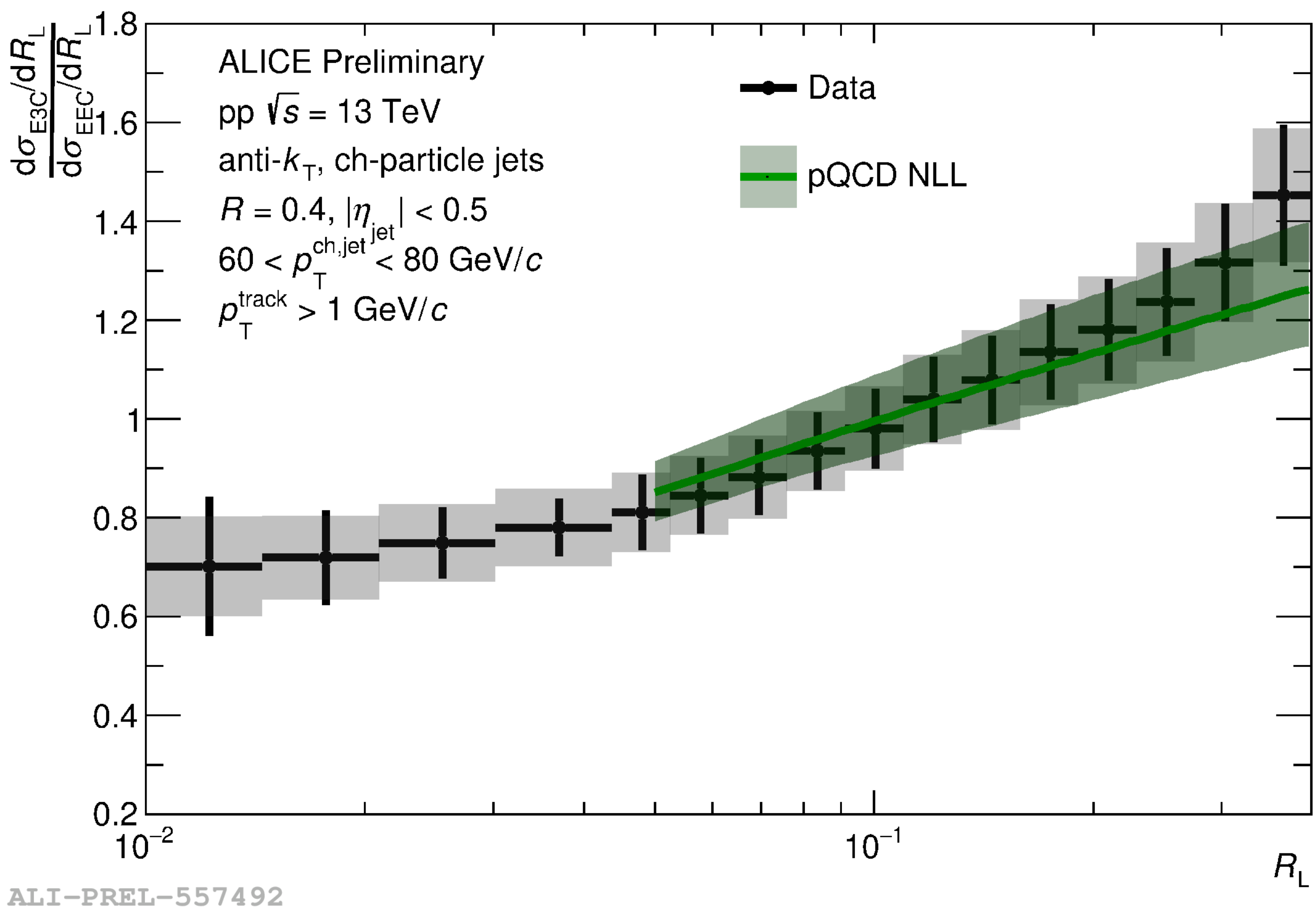
Also reported by [CMS in BOOST 2023](#)





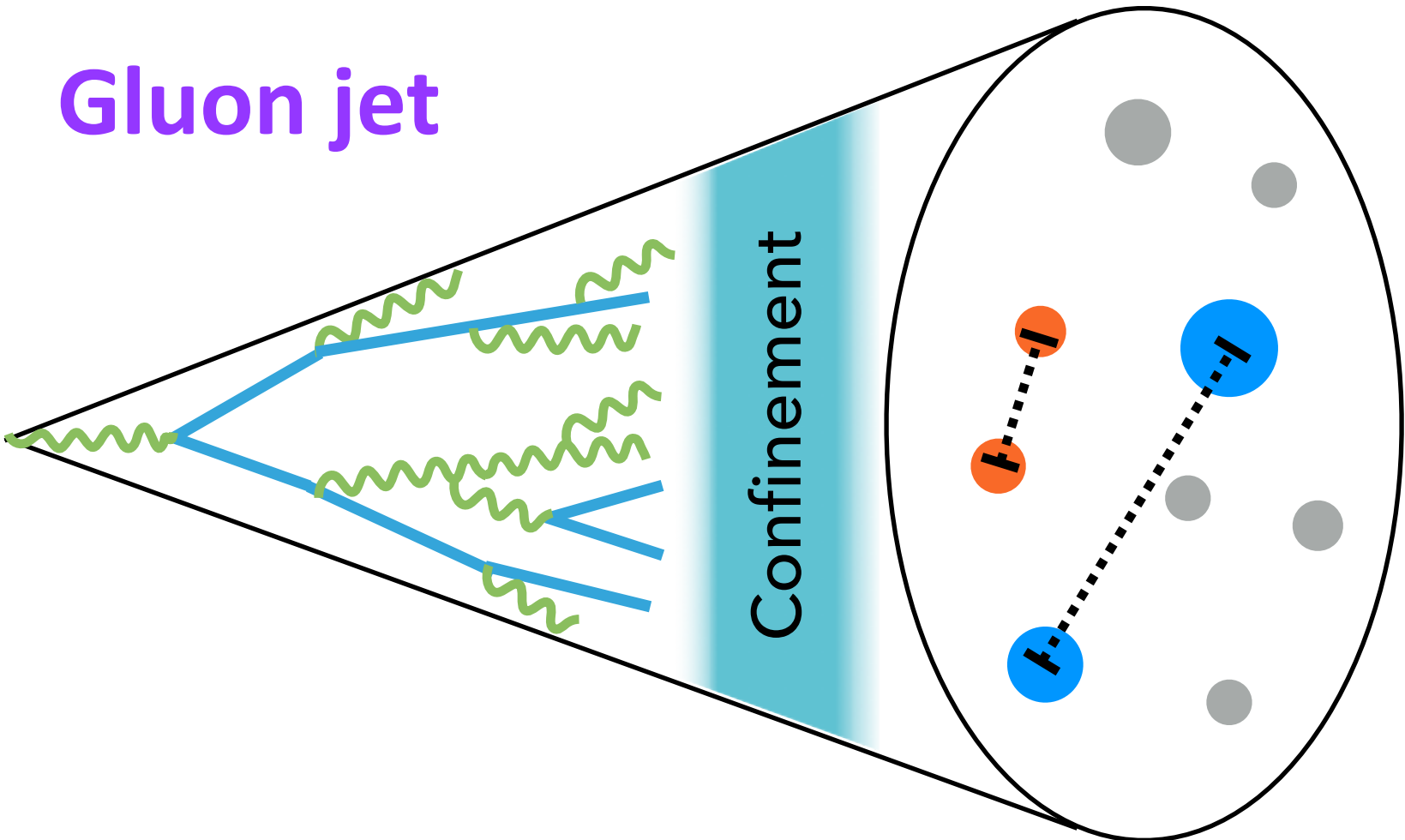
Free hadron  
scaling region

Perturbative  
scaling region

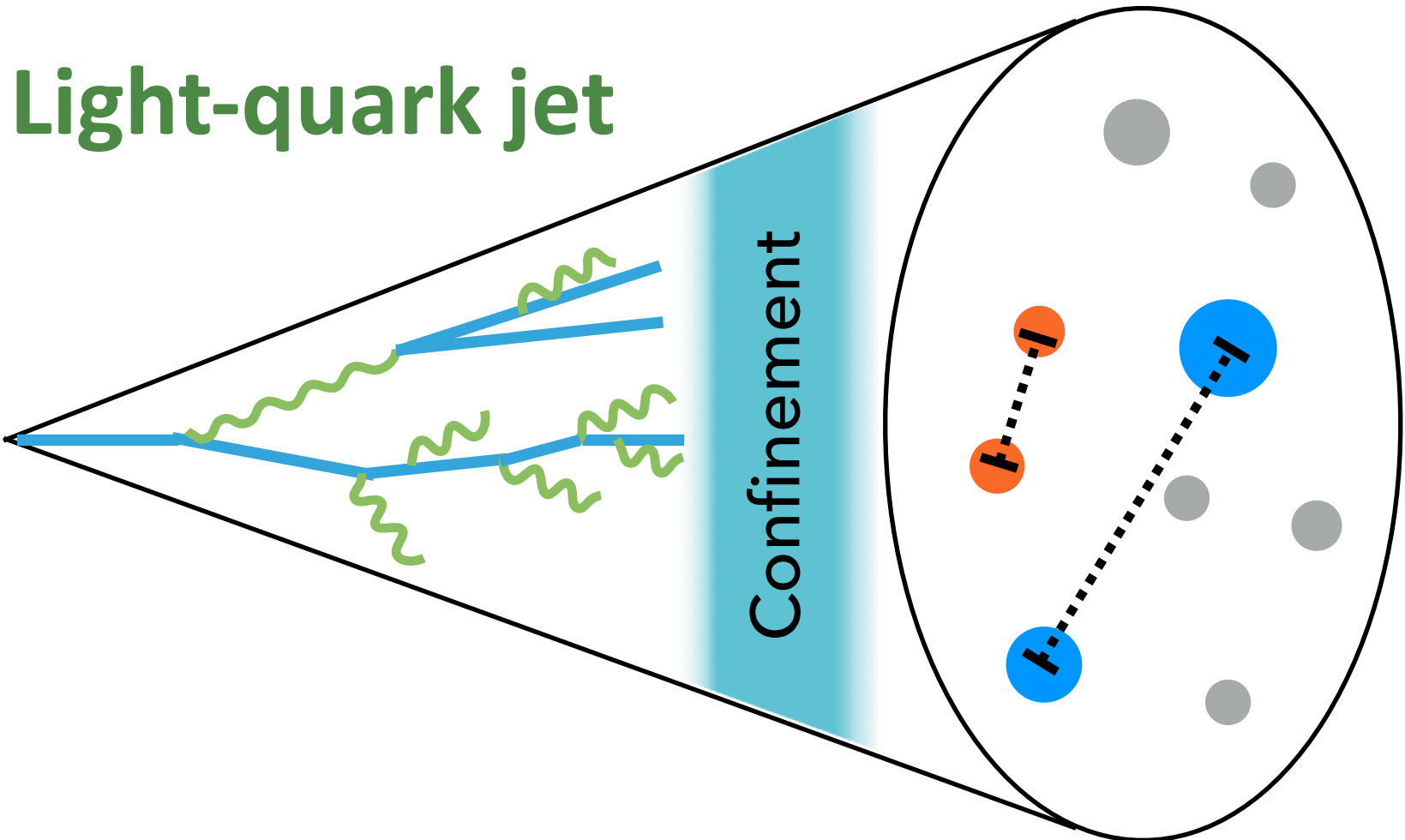


Agreement with pQCD prediction

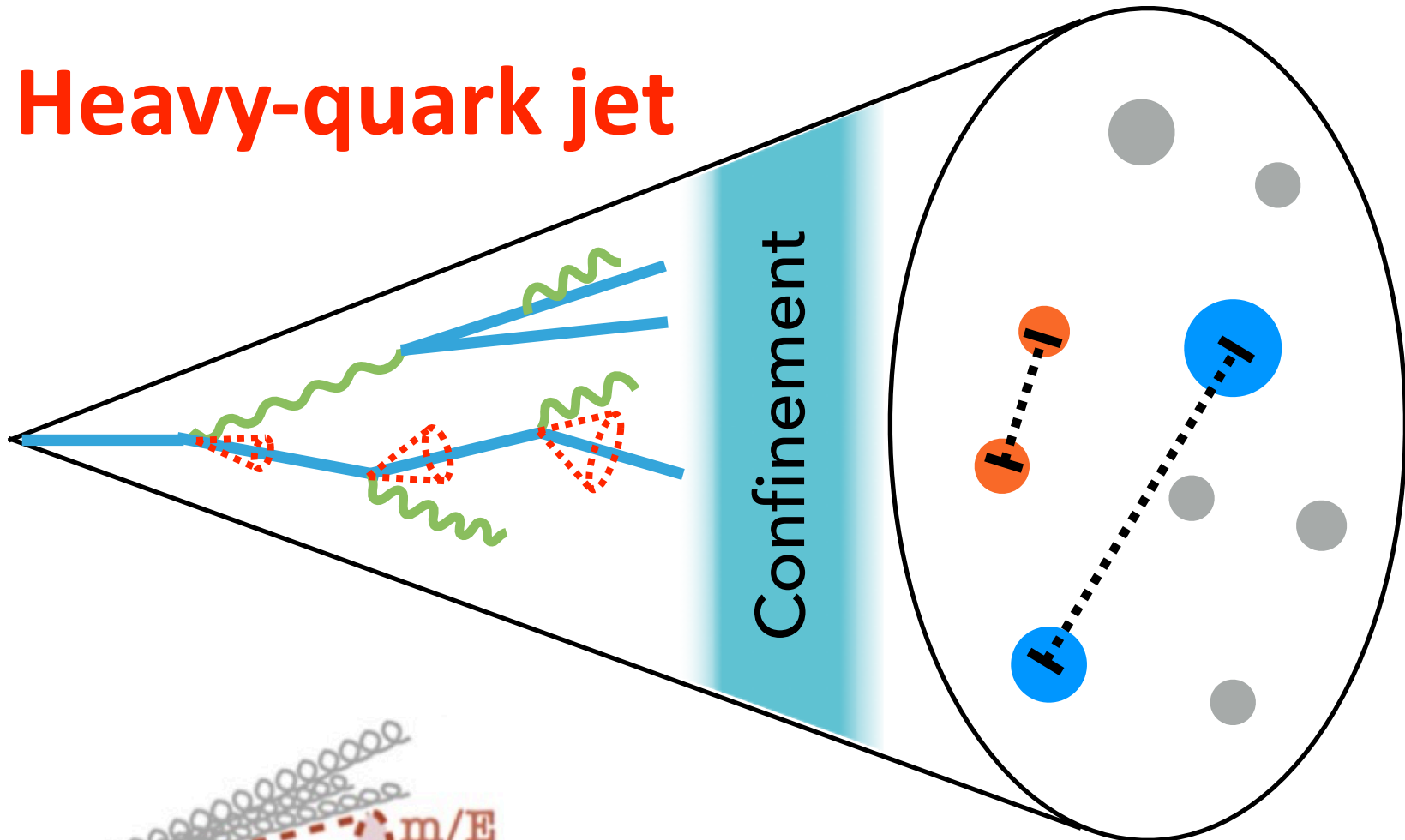
Gluon jet



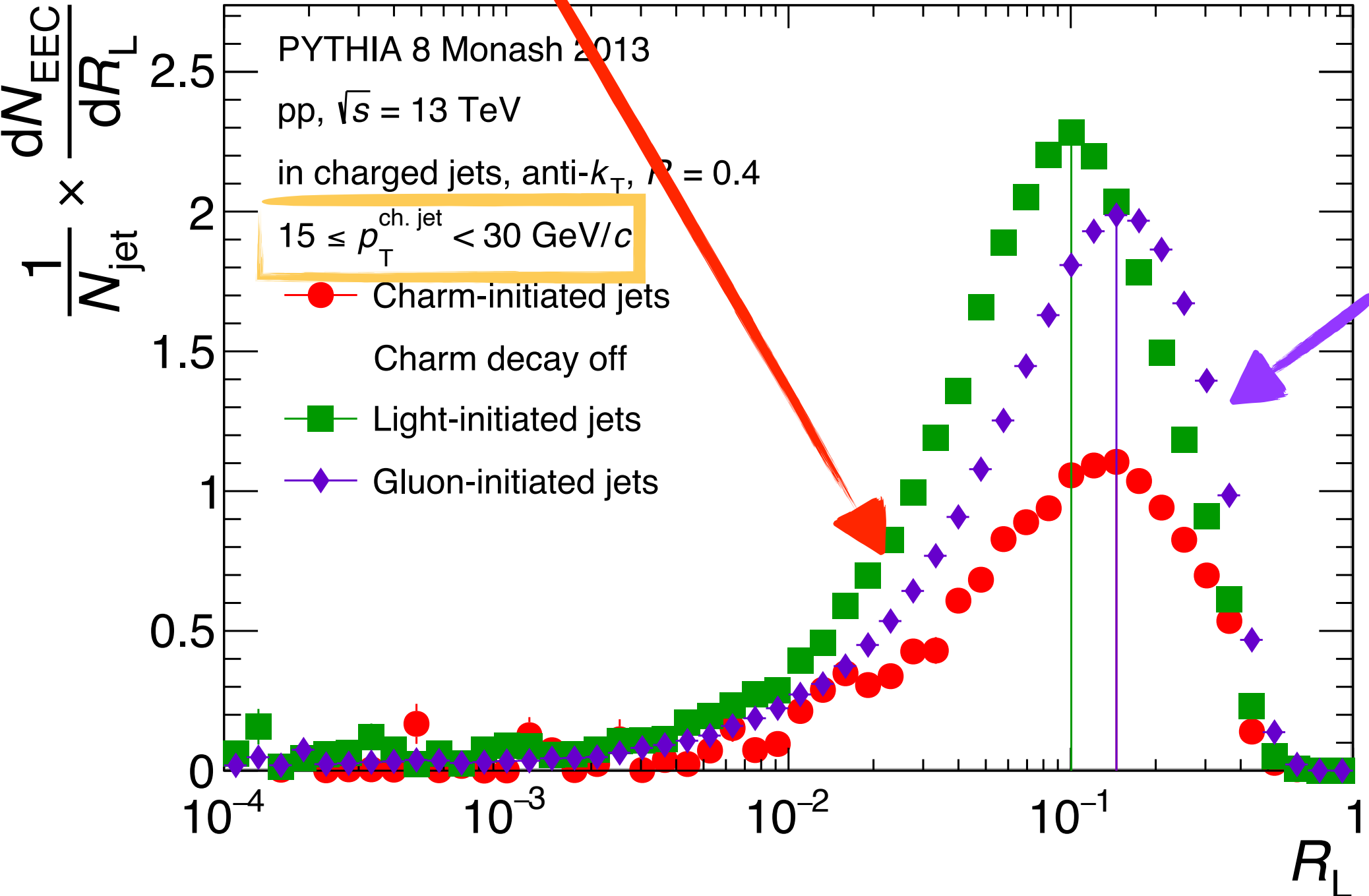
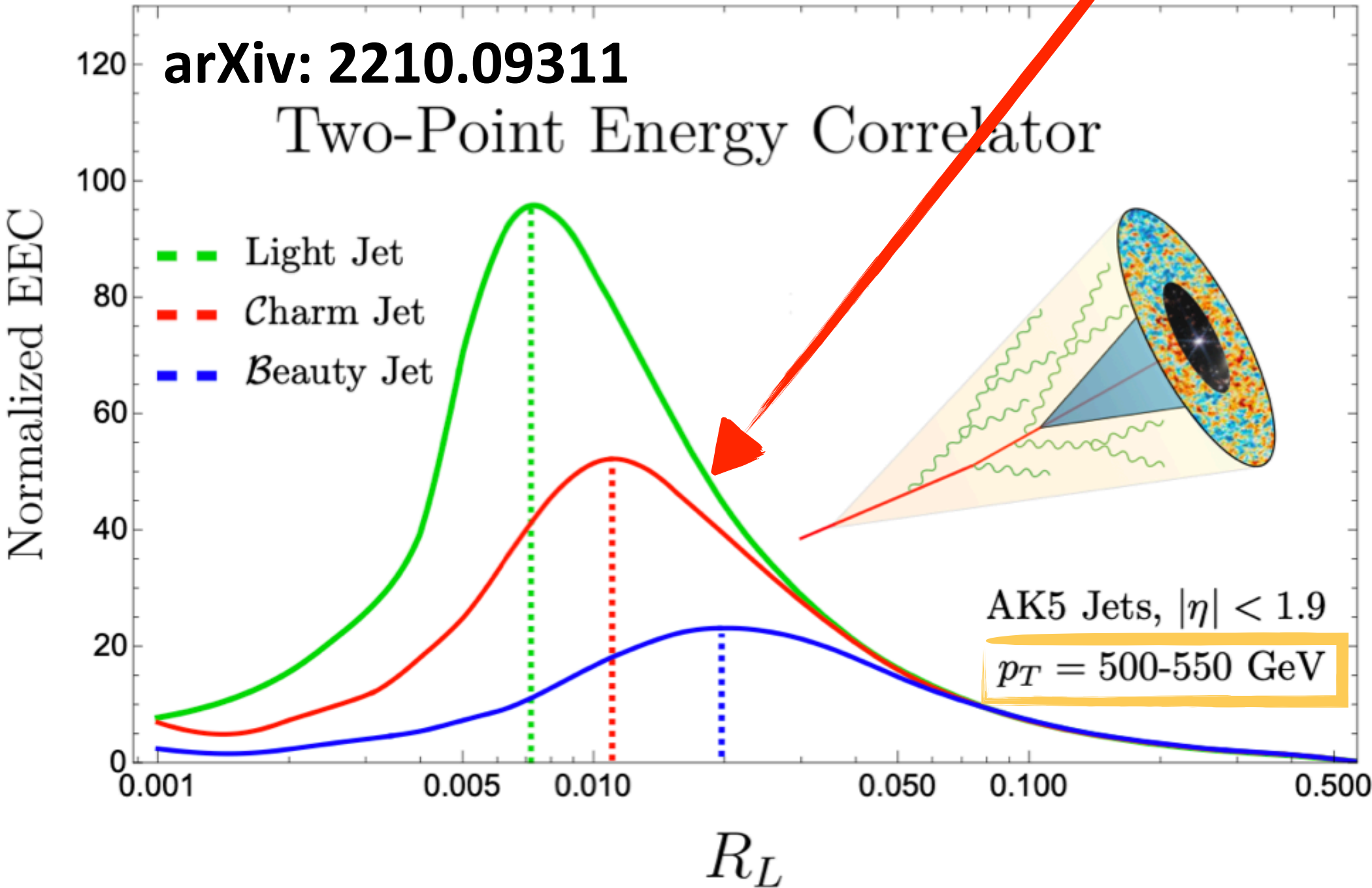
Light-quark jet



Heavy-quark jet



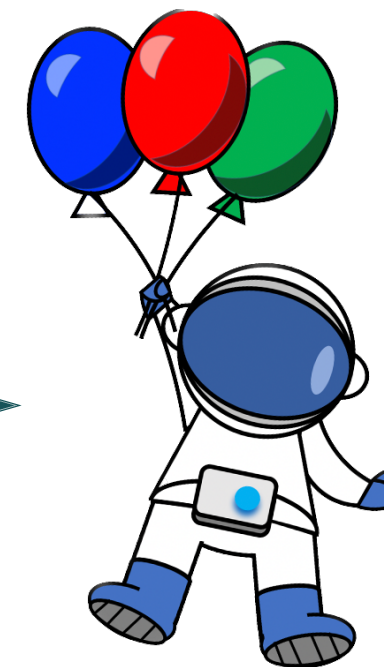
Suppression of small angle radiation due to dead-cone



Wider fragmentation for gluon jets due to color factor

- ▶ 2 point energy correlator results in pp at 5 TeV
  - ❖ A clear separation between perturbative region (pQCD scaling) and NP region (free hadron scaling)
  - ❖ Hadronization transition at  $p_{\text{T}}R_{\text{L}} \sim 2.4$  GeV
- ▶ 2 point and 3 energy correlator results in pp at 13 TeV
  - ❖ Precision study of pQCD via E3C/EEC ratio, stringent constraint on  $\alpha_s$
- ▶ Outlook of the ongoing heavy flavor: probing mass effect and color charge dependence of jet dynamics
- ▶ Baseline to study modifications in p-Pb and Pb-Pb: study the medium modified parton shower and hadronization in cold and hot nuclear medium

**Stay tuned for more  
results from ALICE!**



**EEC in  $D^0$  tag jets**  
**Poster by Beatrice Liang-Gilman**

**EEC in pp and p-Pb**  
**Poster by Anjali Nambrath**

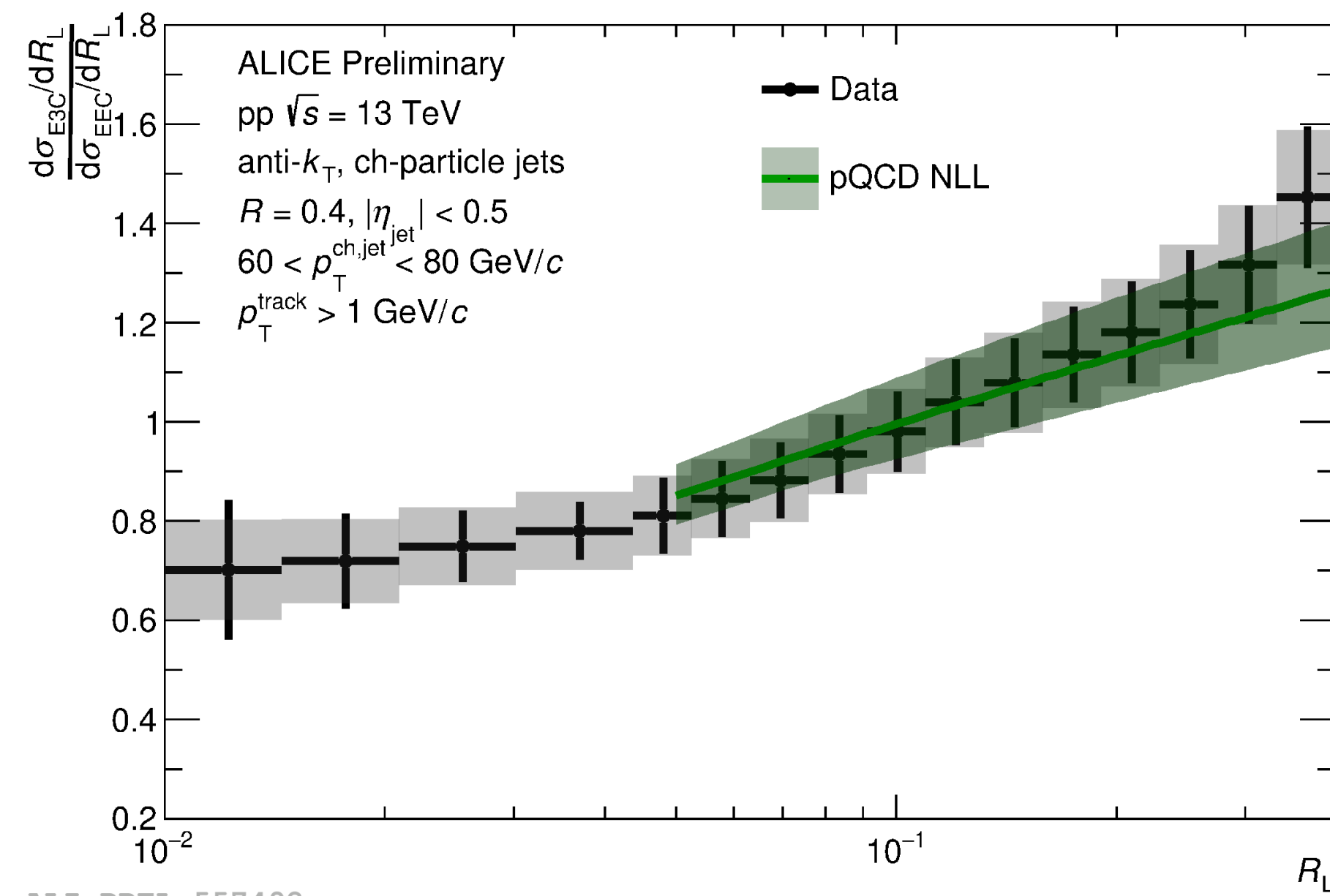
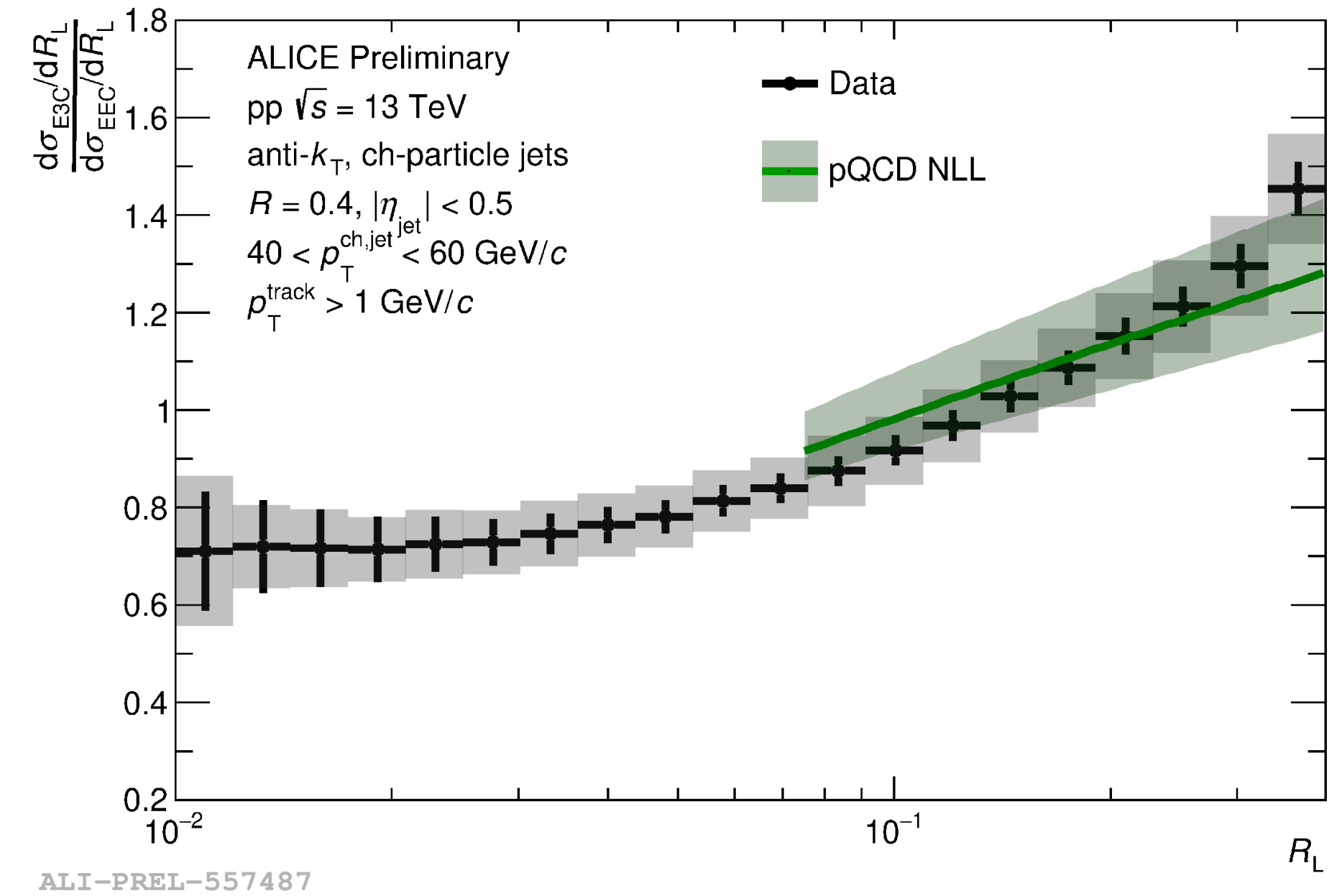
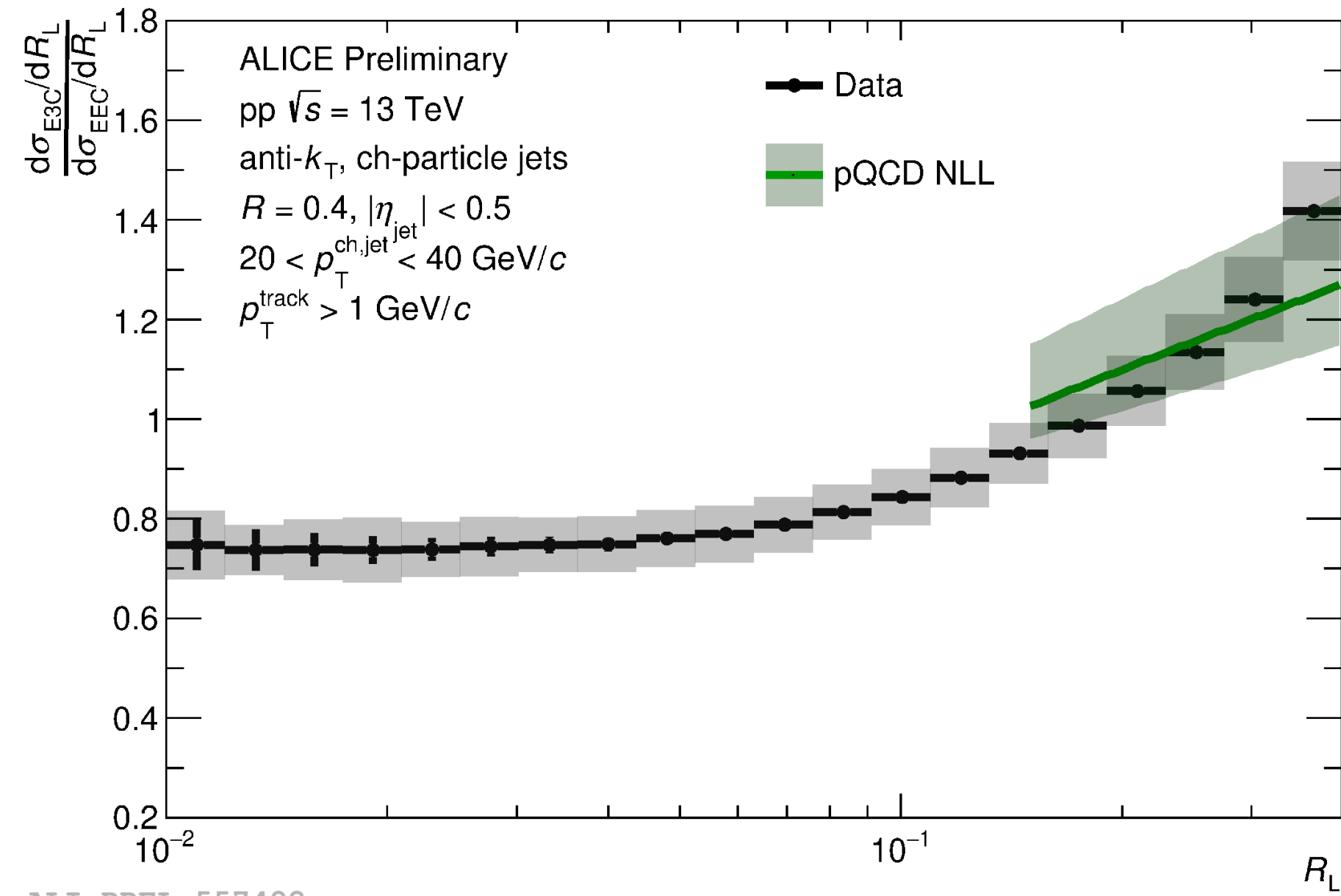
**EEC and E3C**  
**Poster by Ananya Rai**

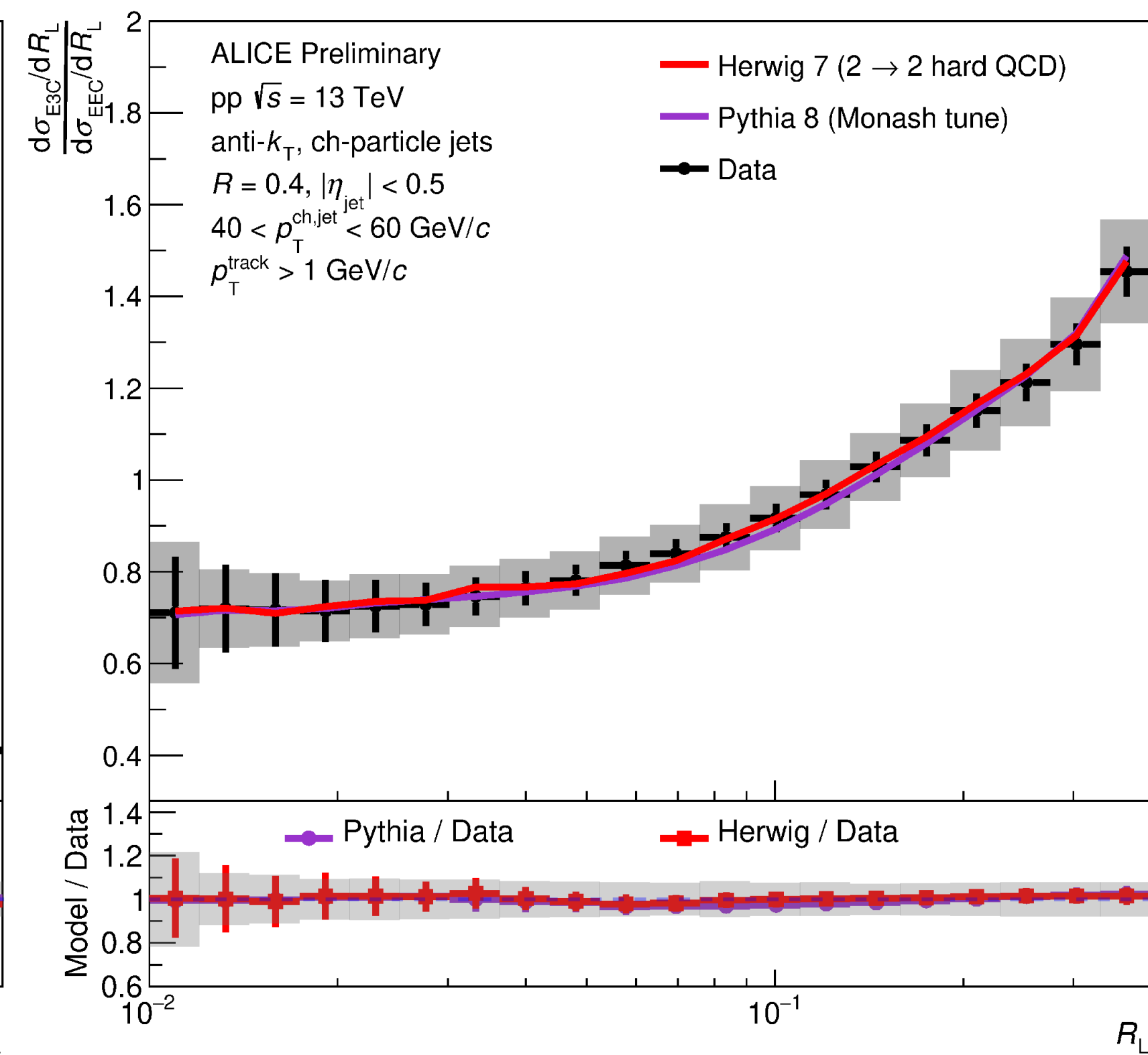
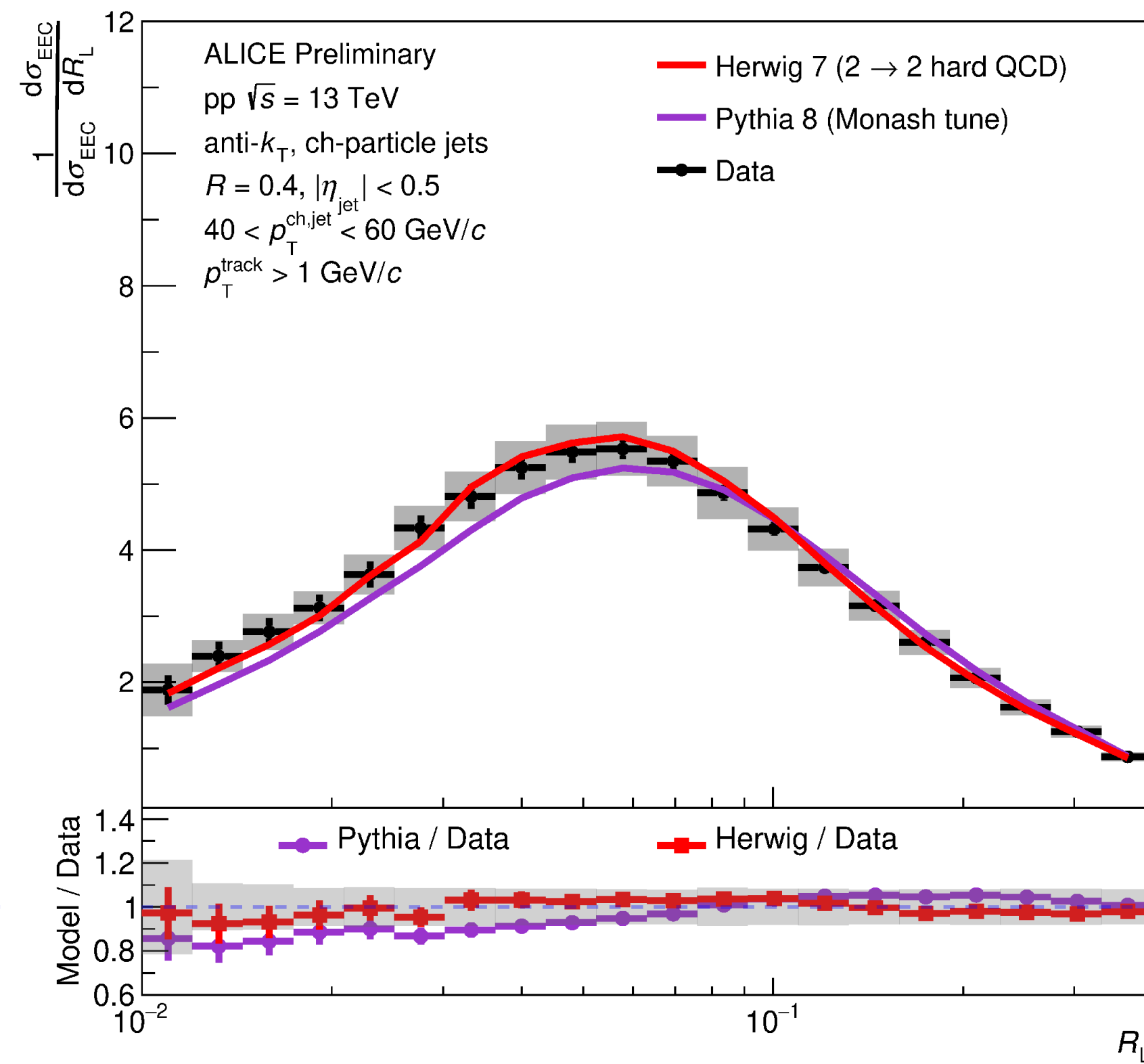
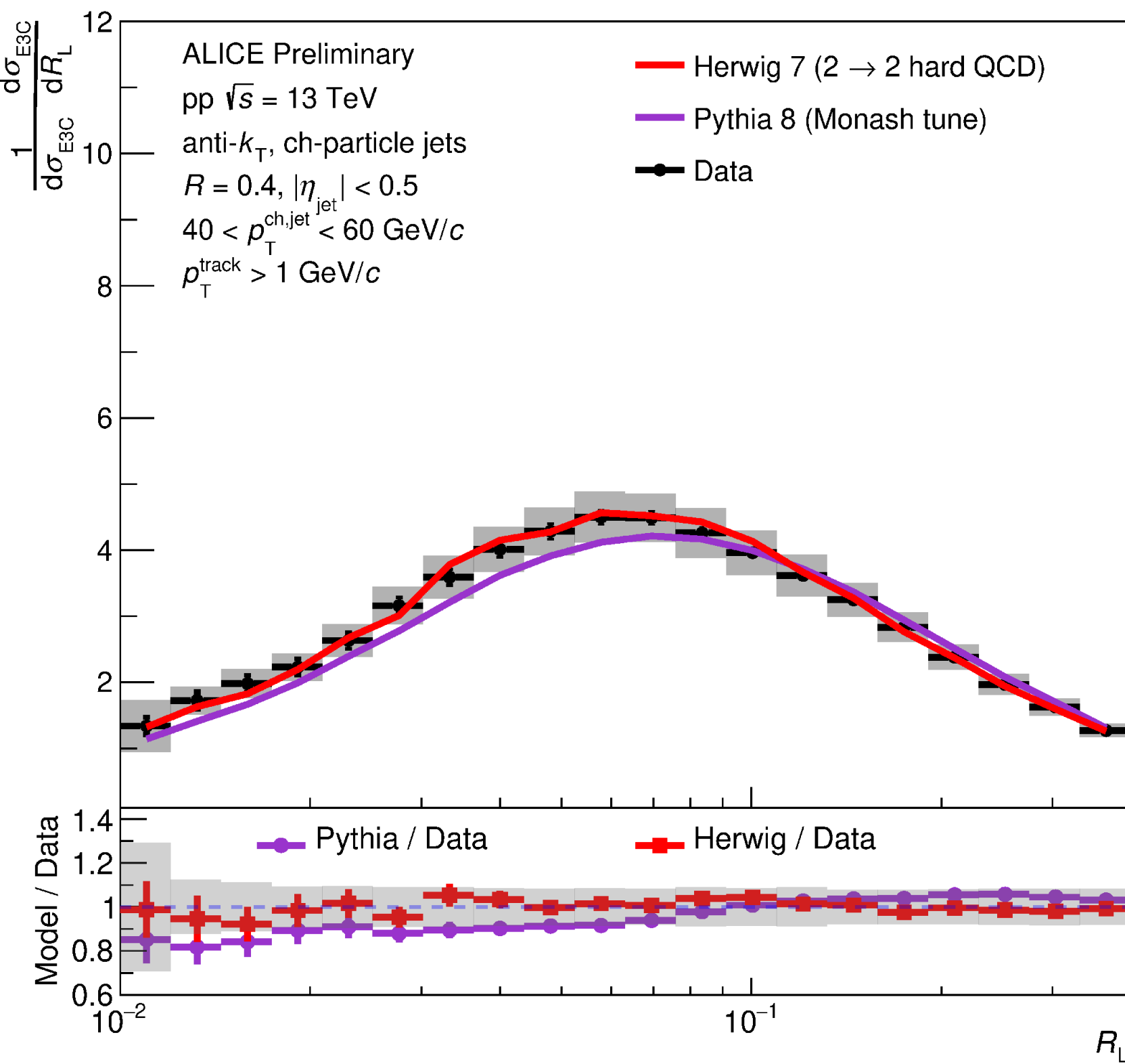
**Heavy flavor jet substructure**  
**Talk by Nima Zardoshti**  
**(Wed 16:50)**

**Jet substructure in Pb-Pb**  
**Talk by Hannah Bossi**  
**(Tues 11:20)**



**THANKS!**



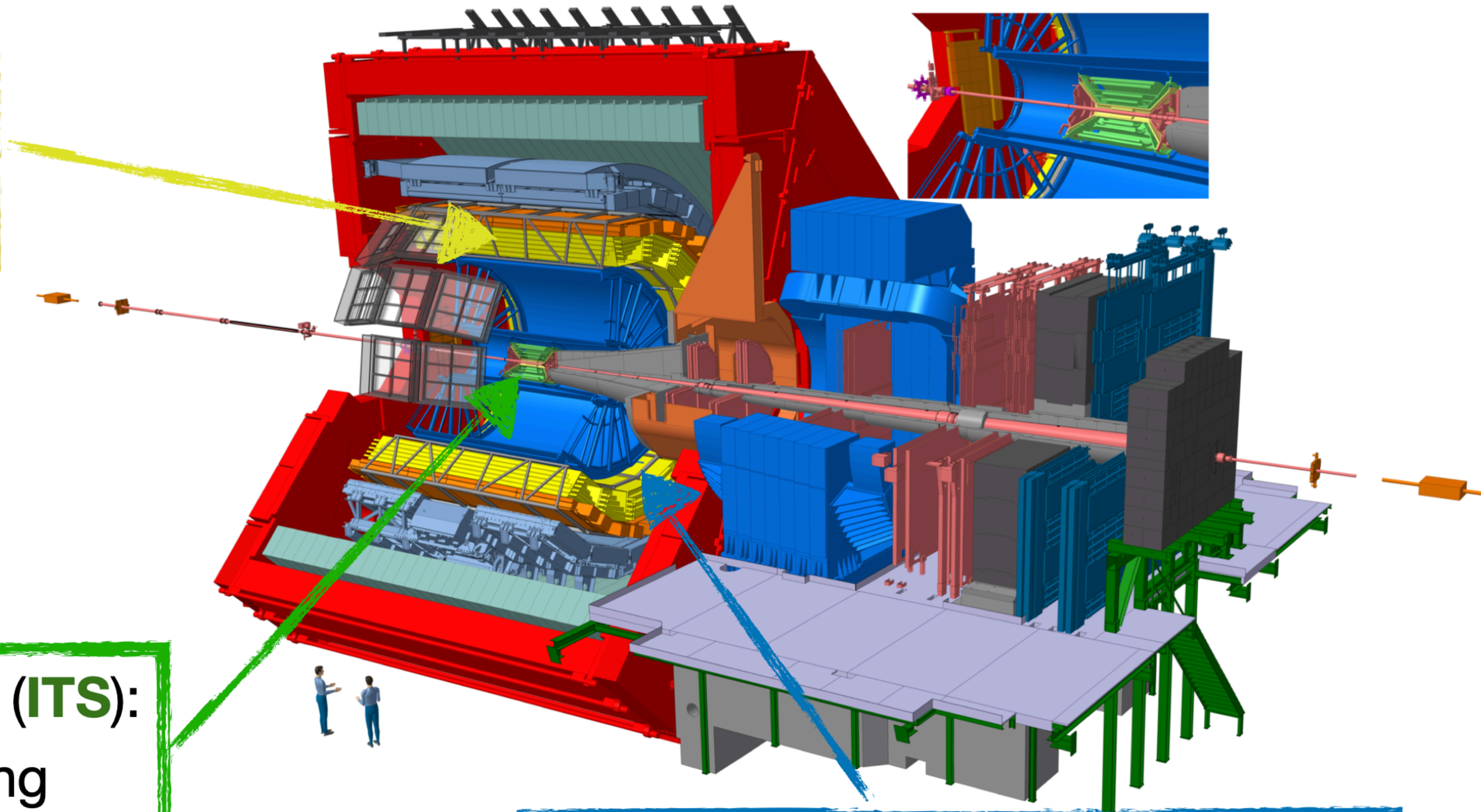




**Time-Of-Flight (TOF):**  
PID via time of flight

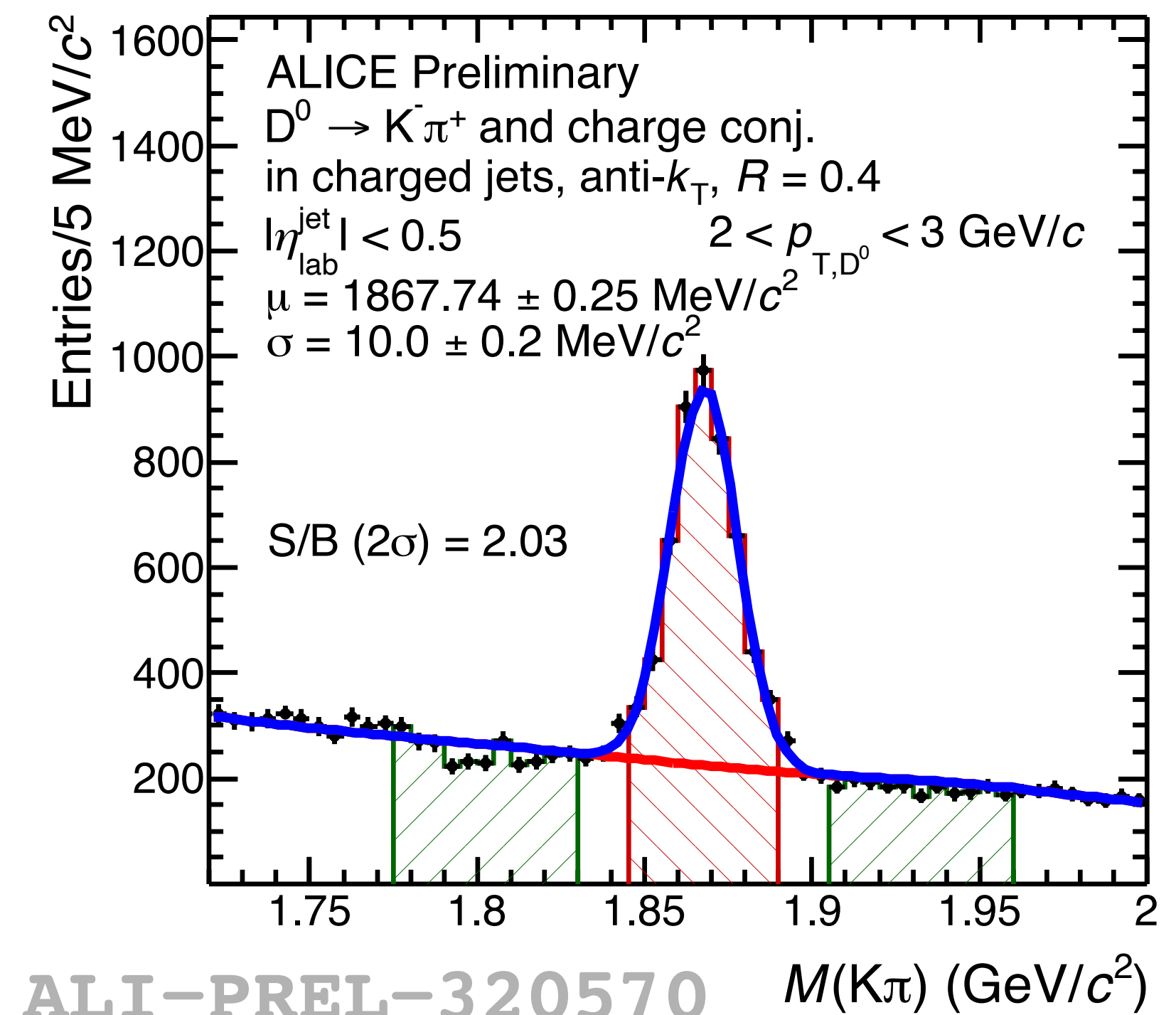
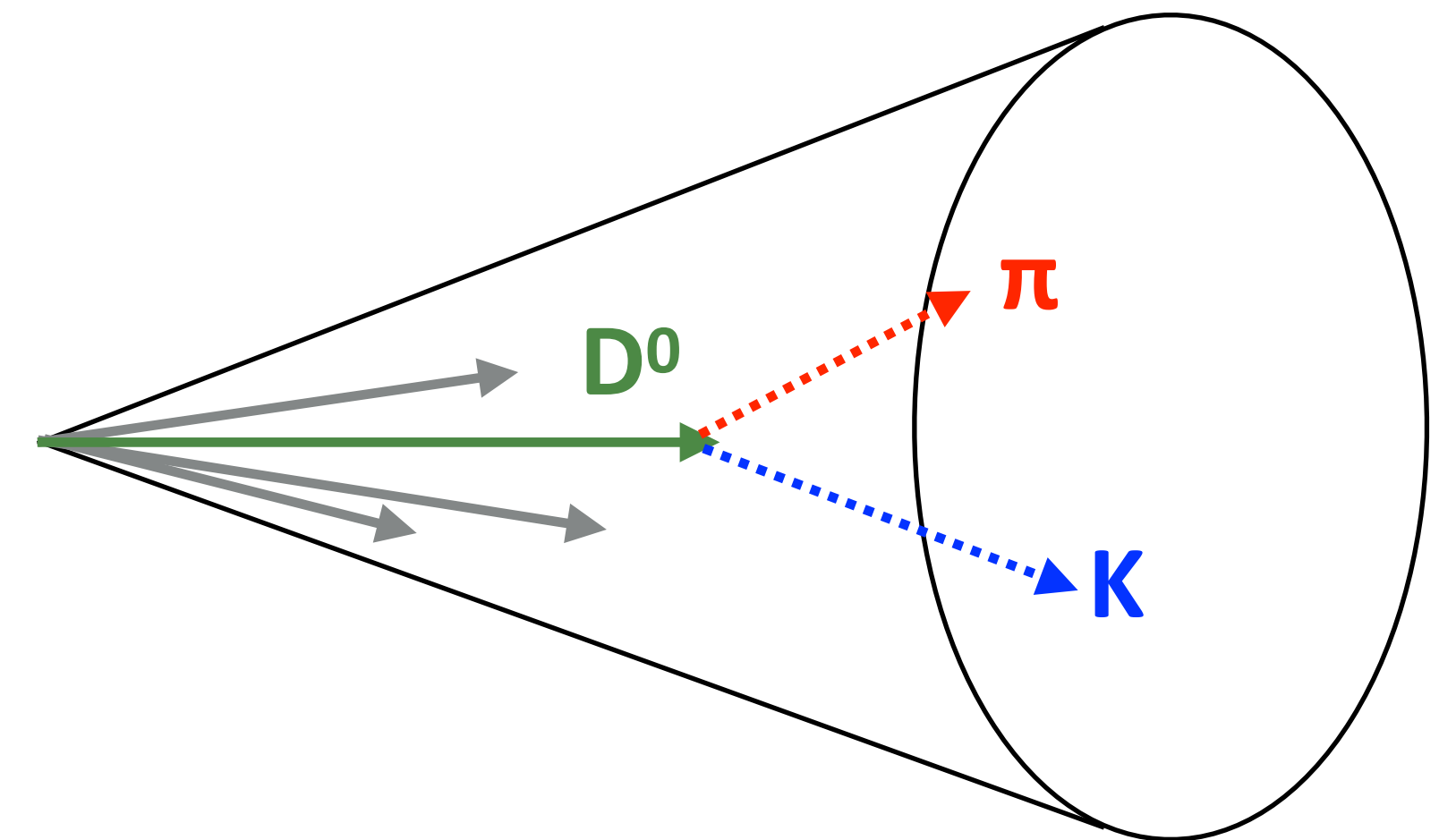
**Inner Tracking System (ITS):**  
tracking and vertexing

**Time Projection Chamber (TPC):**  
tracking and PID via  $dE/dx$

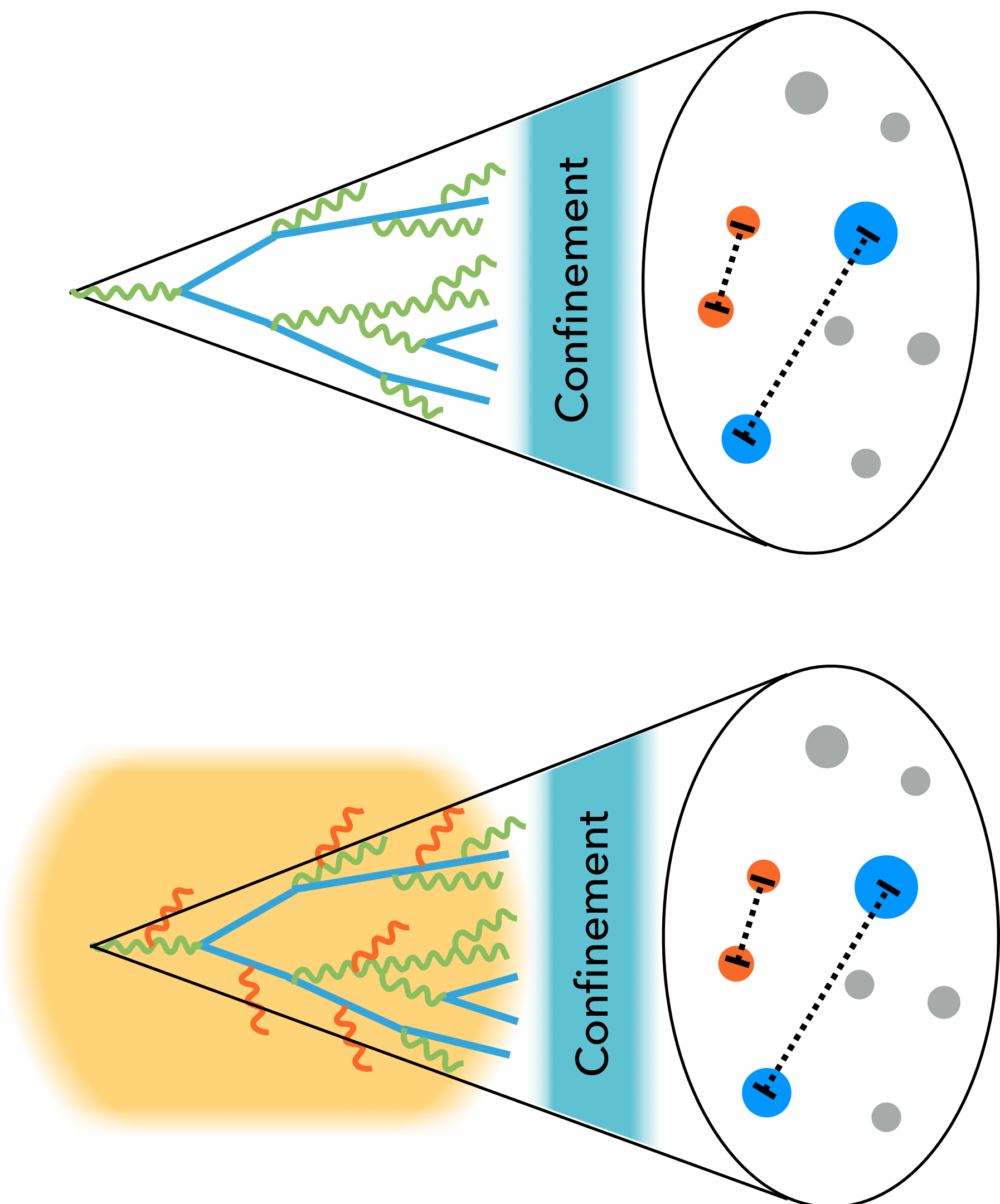




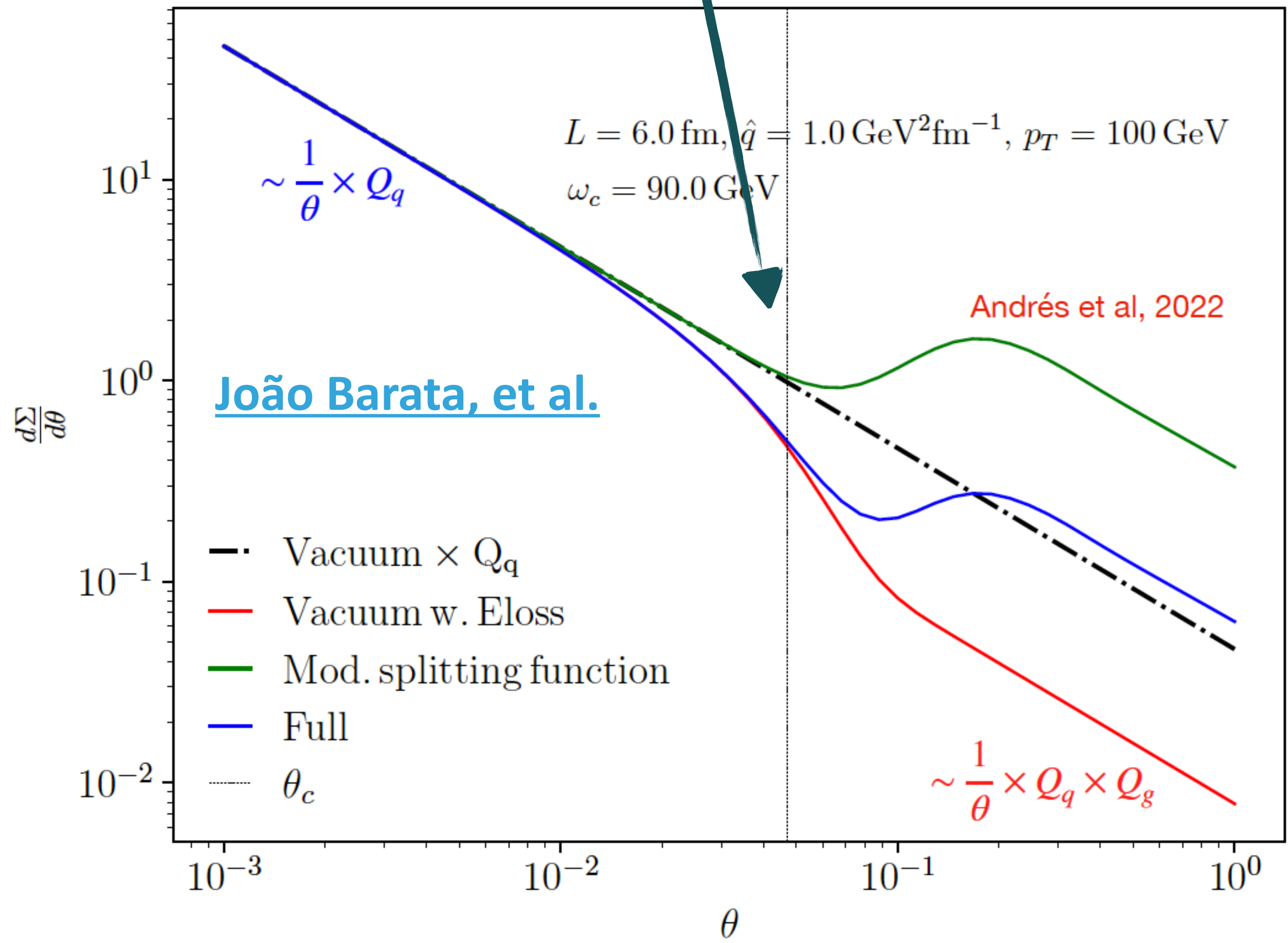
- ▶  $D^0$  reconstruction:  $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ K^-$  (anti  $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- K^+$ )
  - ❖ Particle ID on decay daughters: identified  $\pi/K$
  - ❖ Decay topology cuts
  - ❖  $\pi K$  candidate in pair  $p_T$  2 to 36 GeV
- ▶ Replace  $\pi K$  candidate by  $D^0$  and perform jet finding
  - ❖ Require  $D^0$  candidate in anti- $k_T$   $R = 0.4$  charged jet
  - ❖ Construct EEC in  $D^0$  tagged jets
- ▶  $D^0$  signal extraction via side band subtraction method
- ▶ Efficiency and feed-down correction for  $D^0$ 
  - ❖ Non-prompt contribution estimated through POWHEG + PYTHIA8 simulations
- ▶ Detector effect correction for EEC



Talk by Nima Zardoshti  
 (Wed 16:50)



Onset of modification sensitive to medium size





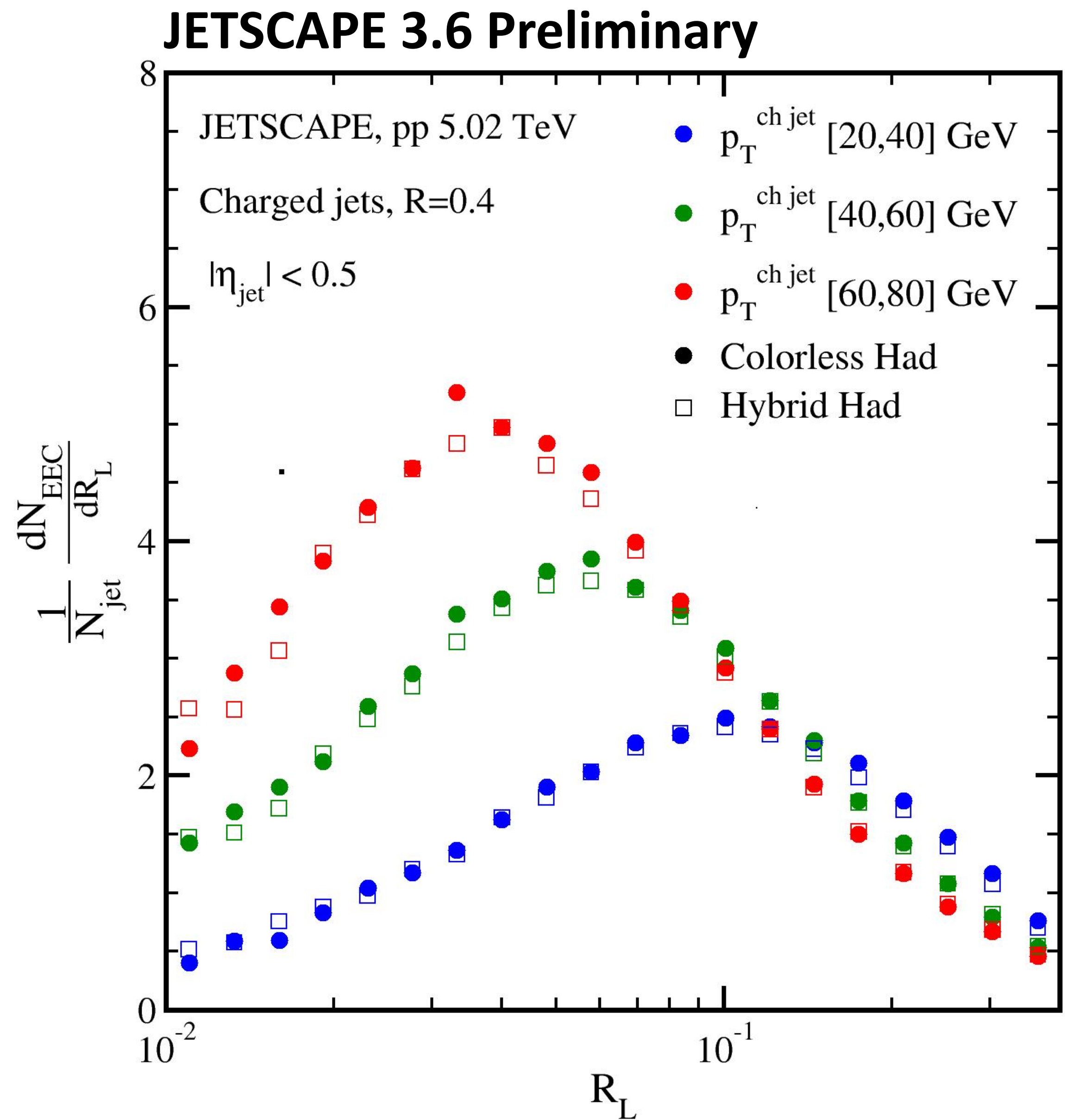


Figure from Chathuranga  
Kumara Sirimanna

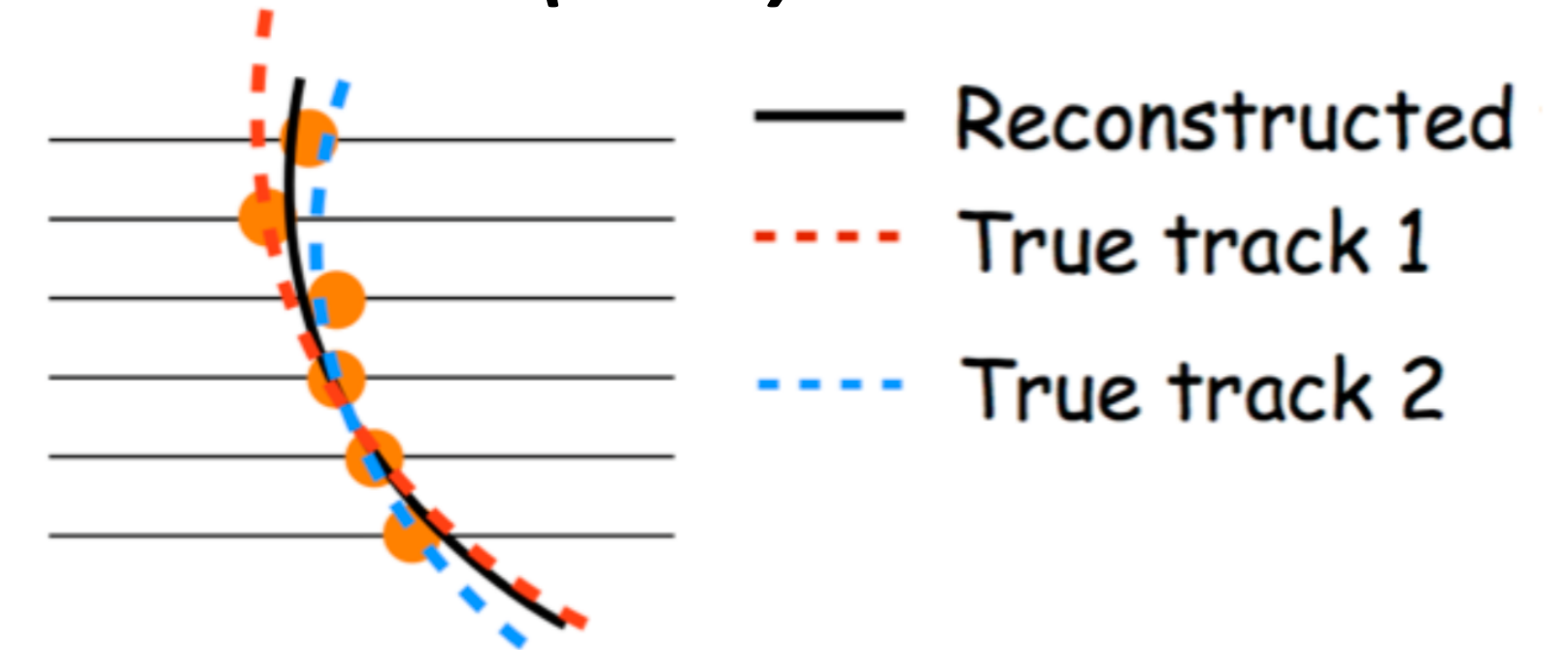
- ▶ Detector acceptance/efficiency/resolution mainly affect  $\sigma_{\text{EEC}}(R_L)$  rather than  $R_L$ 
  - ❖ Precise angular resolution leads to minimal migration along  $R_L$  axis
  - ❖ Dominant effects: jet  $p_T$  resolution and pair inefficiency at small  $R_L$  due to track merging
- ▶ Corrected with bin-by-bin correction method
  - ❖ Correction factor extracted from GEANT simulation and applied bin-by-bin on the measured raw distributions for data
- ▶ Why bin by bin correction?
  - ❖ Small migration along  $R_L$  axis
  - ❖ Potential bias with bin-by-bin correction addressed by the generator dependence and  $p_T$  variation studies, which are included in systematic uncertainties

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Energy weight

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$$f_{\text{corr}}(dR_L^{\text{det}}, p_{T,\text{jet}}^{\text{det}}) = \frac{dN_{\text{pair}}^{\text{det}} / dR_L^{\text{det}}(p_{T,\text{jet}}^{\text{det}})}{dN_{\text{pair}}^{\text{truth}} / dR_L^{\text{truth}}(p_{T,\text{jet}}^{\text{truth}})}$$

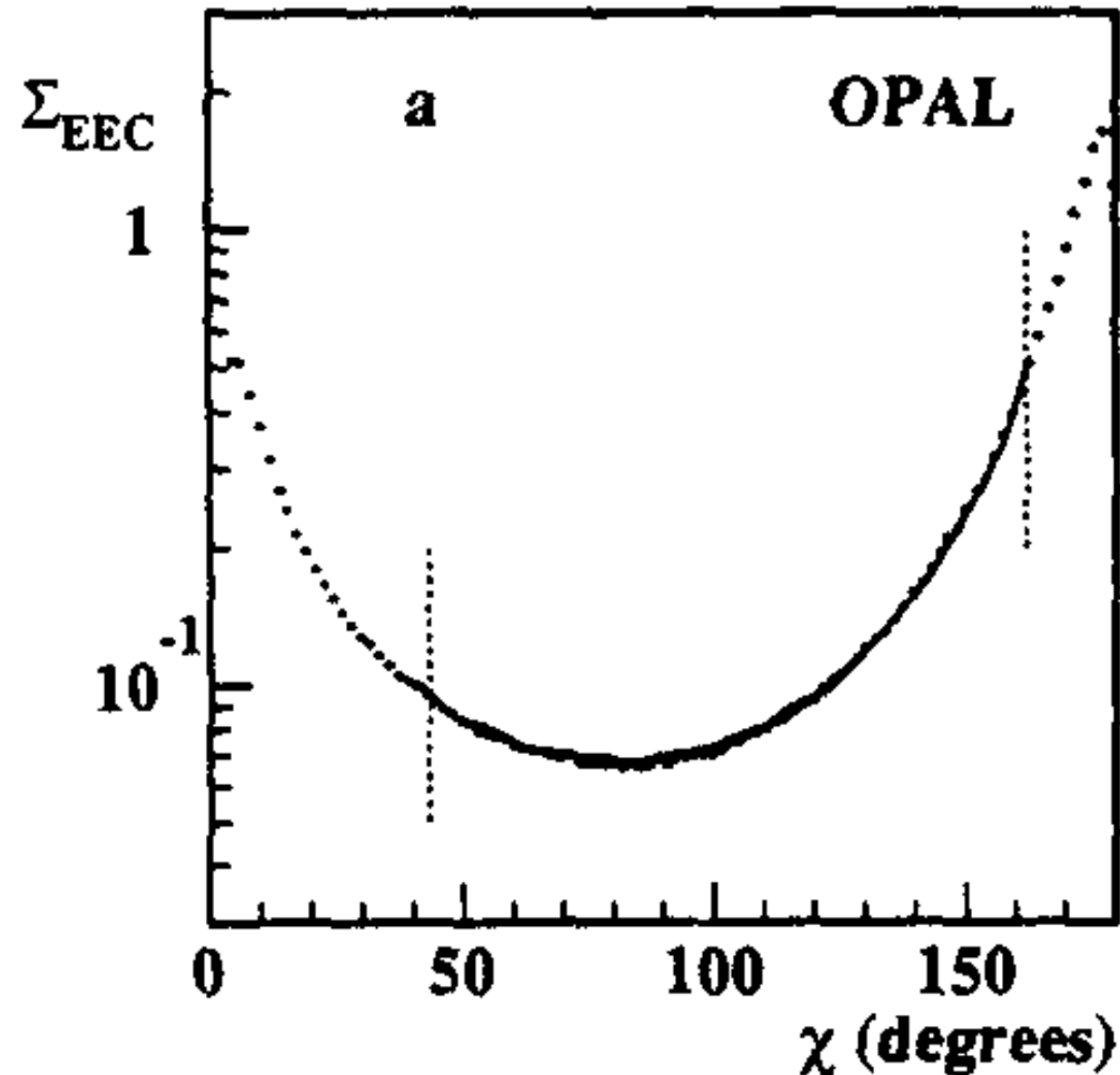
$$dN/dR_L(p_{T,\text{jet}}^{\text{truth}}) = \frac{1}{f_{\text{corr}}} \cdot dN/dR_L(p_{T,\text{jet}}^{\text{det}})$$



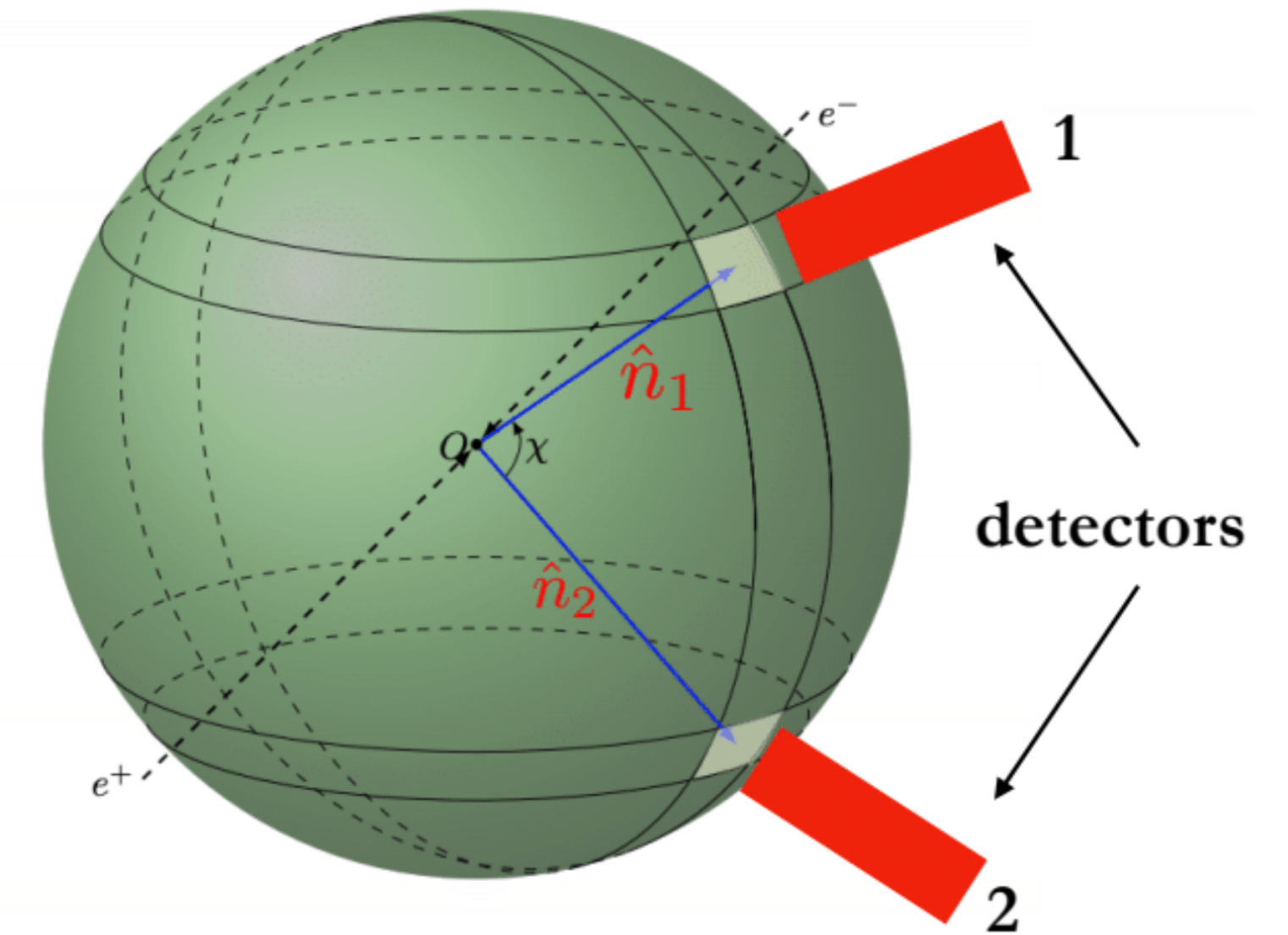
► IRC safe, energy weighted cross section

- ❖ Has been predicted and measured in  $e^+e^-$  collider
- ❖ Used to constrain  $\alpha_s$

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Proposed in 1978: [Phys. Rev. Lett. 41, 1585](#)



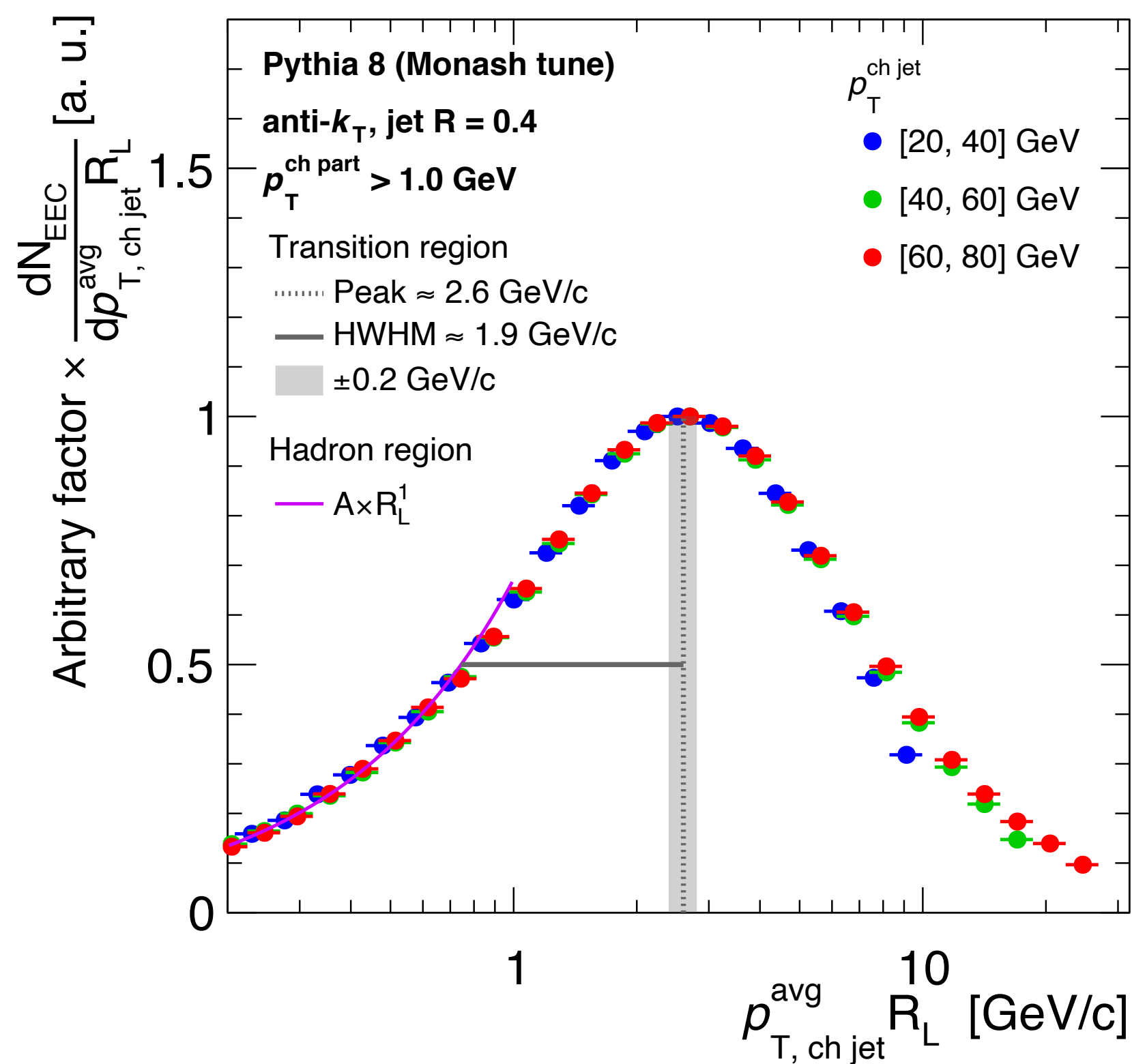
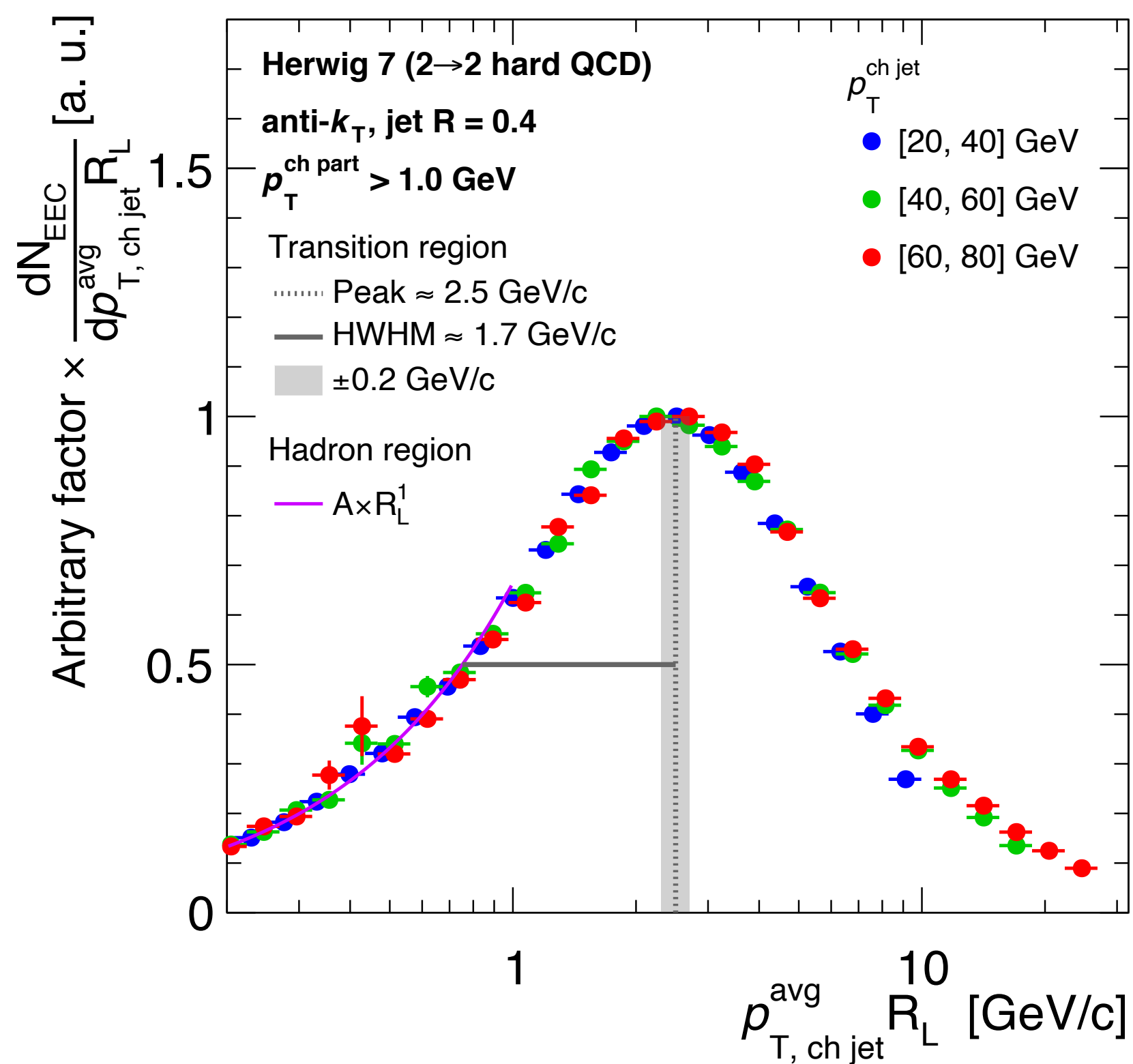
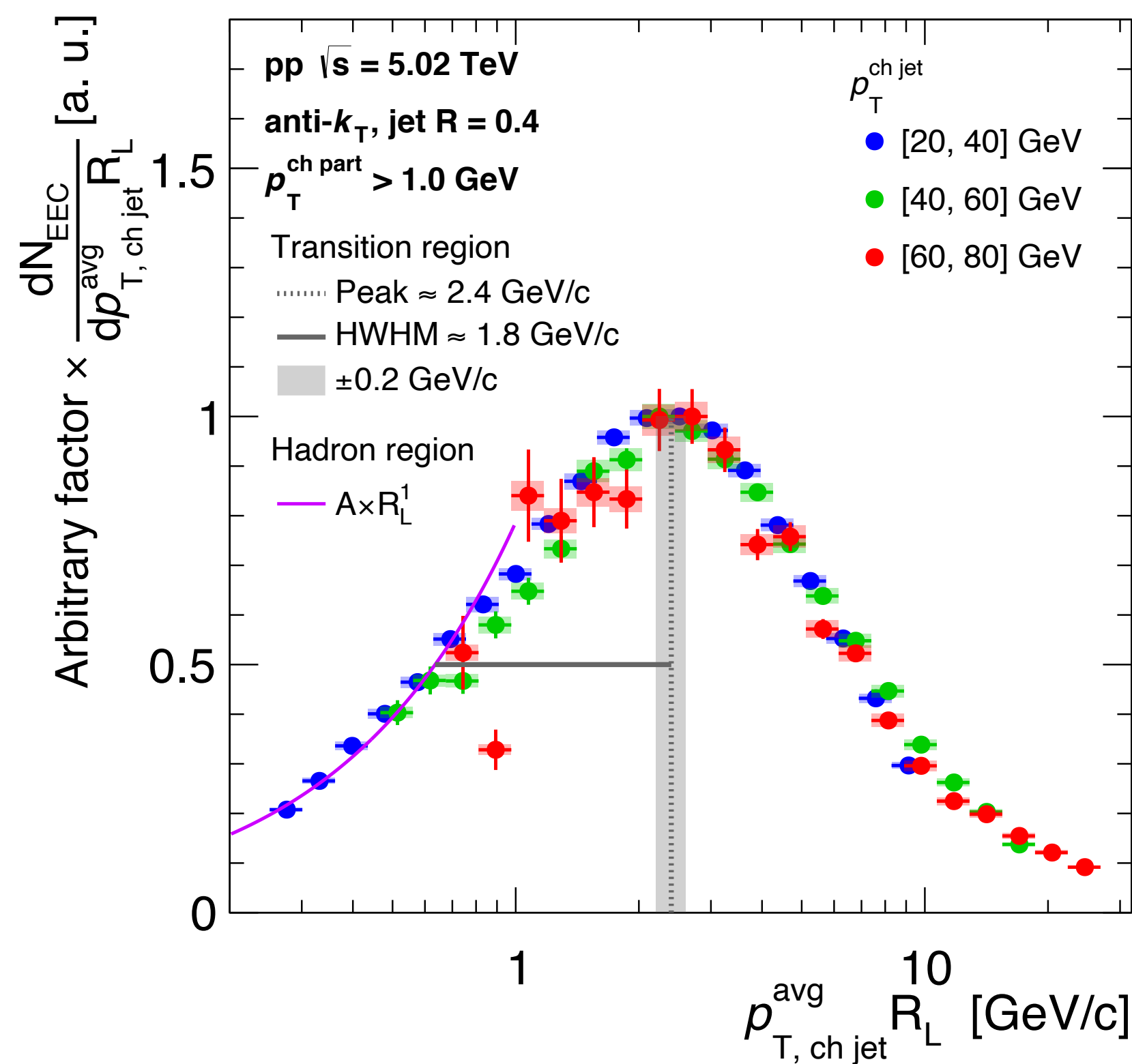
$$\Sigma_{\text{EEC}}(\chi) = \frac{1}{\Delta\chi \cdot N} \sum_N \int_{\chi - \frac{1}{2}\Delta\chi}^{\chi + \frac{1}{2}\Delta\chi} \sum_{i,j} \frac{E_i E_j}{E_{\text{vis}}^2} \cdot \delta(\chi' - \chi_{ij}) d\chi', \quad (4)$$

where  $E_i$  and  $E_j$  are the energies of particles  $i$  and  $j$ ,  $E_{\text{vis}}$  is the sum over the energies of all particles in the event,  $\Delta\chi$  is the angular bin width and  $N$  is the total number of events. The normalization ensures that the integral of  $\Sigma_{\text{EEC}}(\chi)$  from  $\chi = 0^\circ$  to  $180^\circ$  is unity.



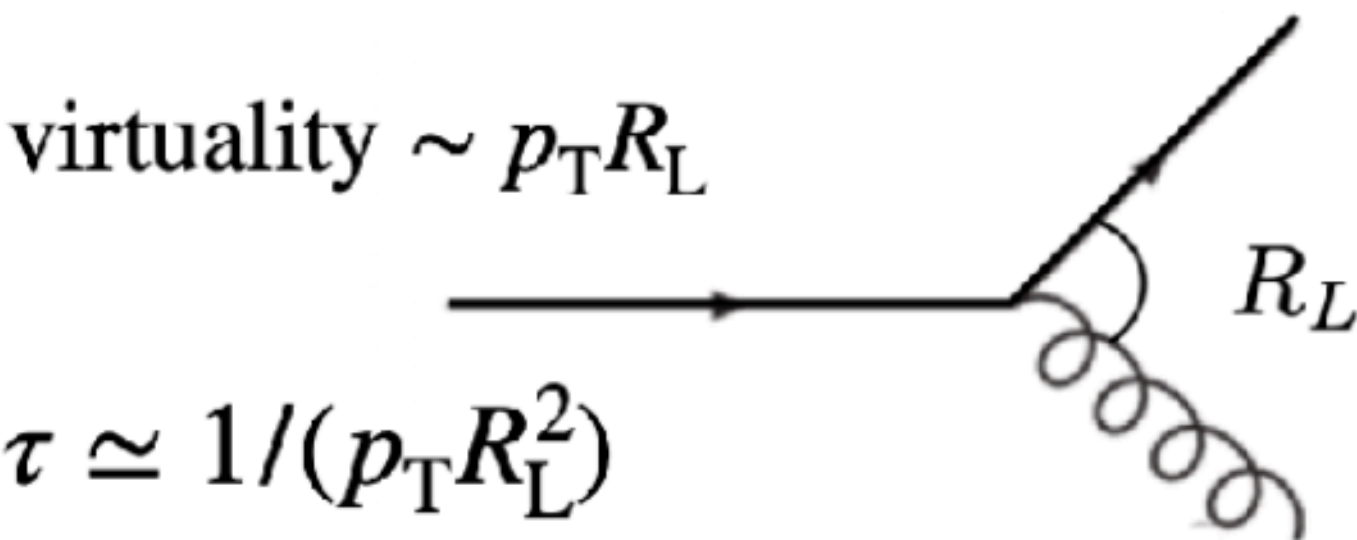
Better agreement  
between data and  
Herwig

Pythia seems to show  
a slightly higher  
transition peak

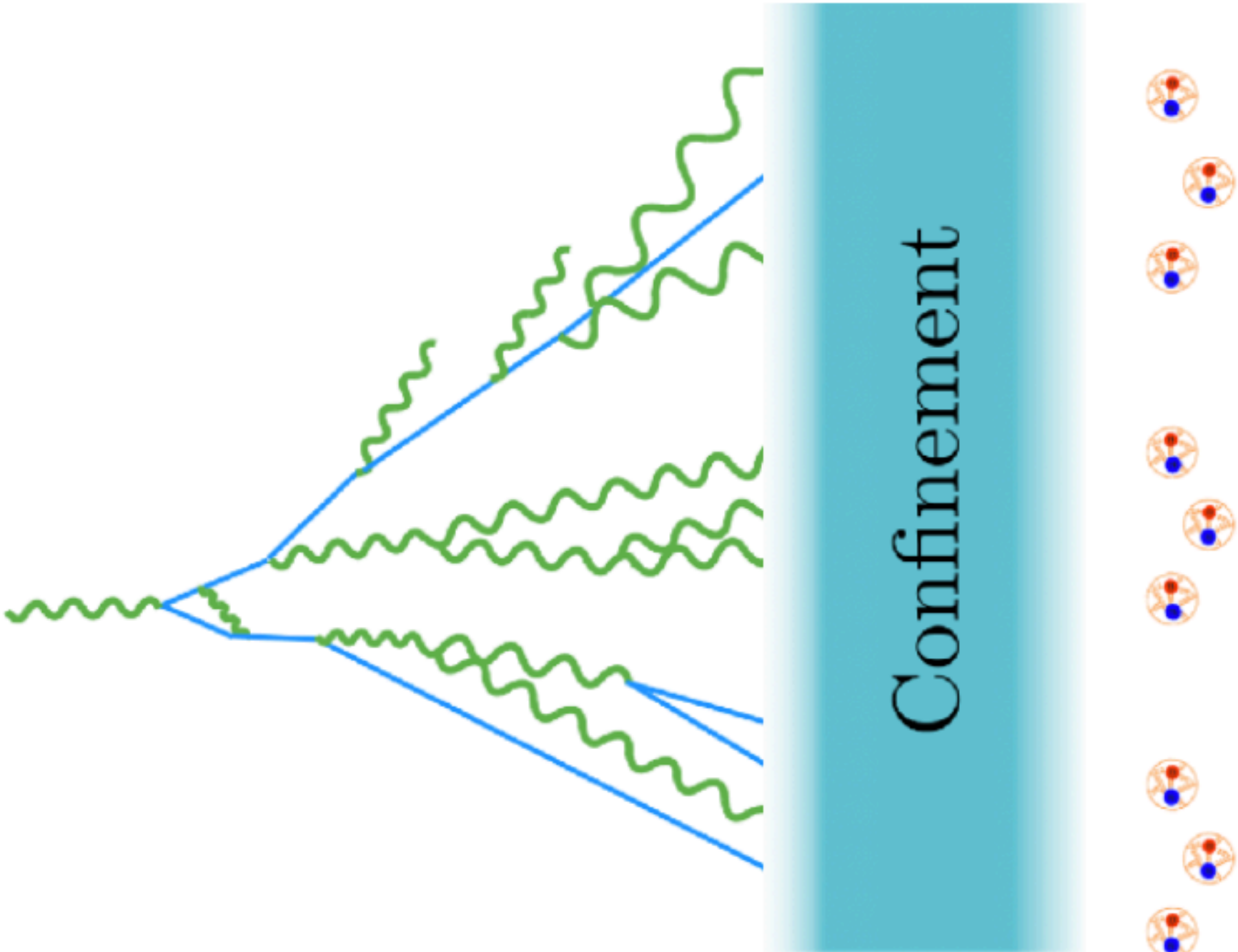


Slide from Berndt Mueller

Perturbative evolution of EEC is due to gluon radiation



Radiation must stop at a virtuality scale, below which there are no gluon states in the vacuum: **Glueball mass**



Glueball masses in MeV

$J^{PC}$	$0^{++}$	$2^{++}$	$1^{+-}$	$0^{-+}$
YM	1710	2390	2980	3640
QCD <sub>3</sub>	1795	2620	3270	4490

Glueball mass in  $\sqrt{\sigma}$

$G$	SU(2)	SU(3)
$m_{0^{++}}$	3.78	3.55
$m_{2^{++}}/m_{0^{++}}$	1.44	1.35

Compares well virtuality scale of the EEC peak (2.4 GeV)

A. Dymarsky, D. Melnikov, JHEP 11 (2022) 164 [2208.14826 hep-lat]