

# The two-point energy correlator in the QGP: from gamma+jet to inclusive jets

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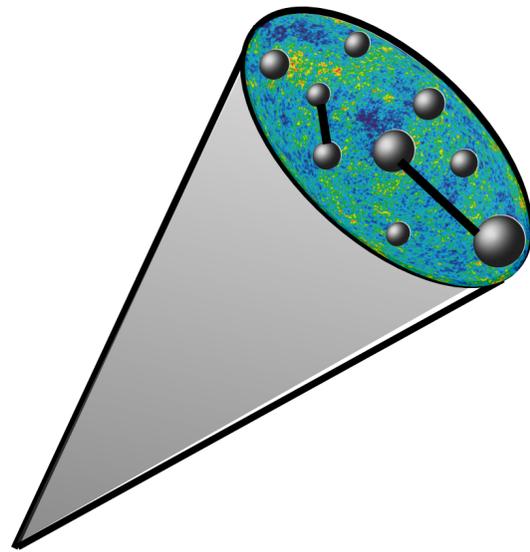


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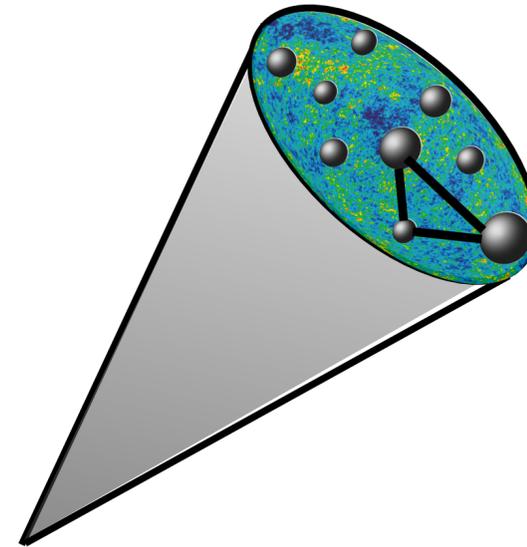
# Energy correlators within jets

- Correlators  $\langle \mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_1) \mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_2) \cdots \mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_k) \rangle$  of the **energy flux**:
- **Exceptional angular resolution** of modern detectors provide us with an unprecedented opportunity to analyze the **energy flow within jets**

Jet substructure: energy flow operators are brought together (collinear limit)



$$\langle \mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_1) \mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_2) \rangle$$



$$\langle \mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_1) \mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_2) \mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_3) \rangle$$

- Jet substructure: **study of multi-point energy correlators** within jets (collinear limit)

# E2C within p-p jets

$$\frac{d\Sigma_{\text{E2C}}}{dR_L} = \frac{1}{\sigma} \sum_{i,j} \int dE_i dE_j \frac{d\sigma}{dE_i dE_j dR_L} \frac{E_i E_j}{Q^2}$$

- Within jets: **collinear** (or OPE) limit of E2C

$$\langle X | \mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_1) \mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_2) | X \rangle \xrightarrow{R_L \rightarrow 0} \sum_i R_L^{(\tau_i - 4)/2} \mathcal{O}_i(\vec{n}_1)$$

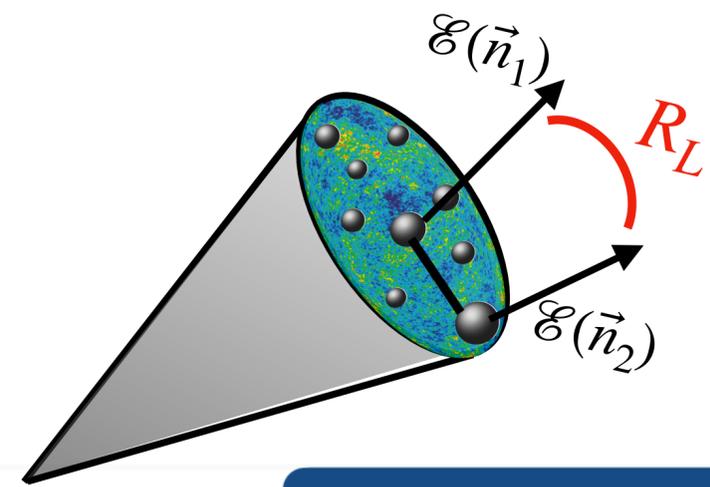
Hoffman, Maldacena,  
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Dixon, Moult,  
Zhu, [1905.01310](#)

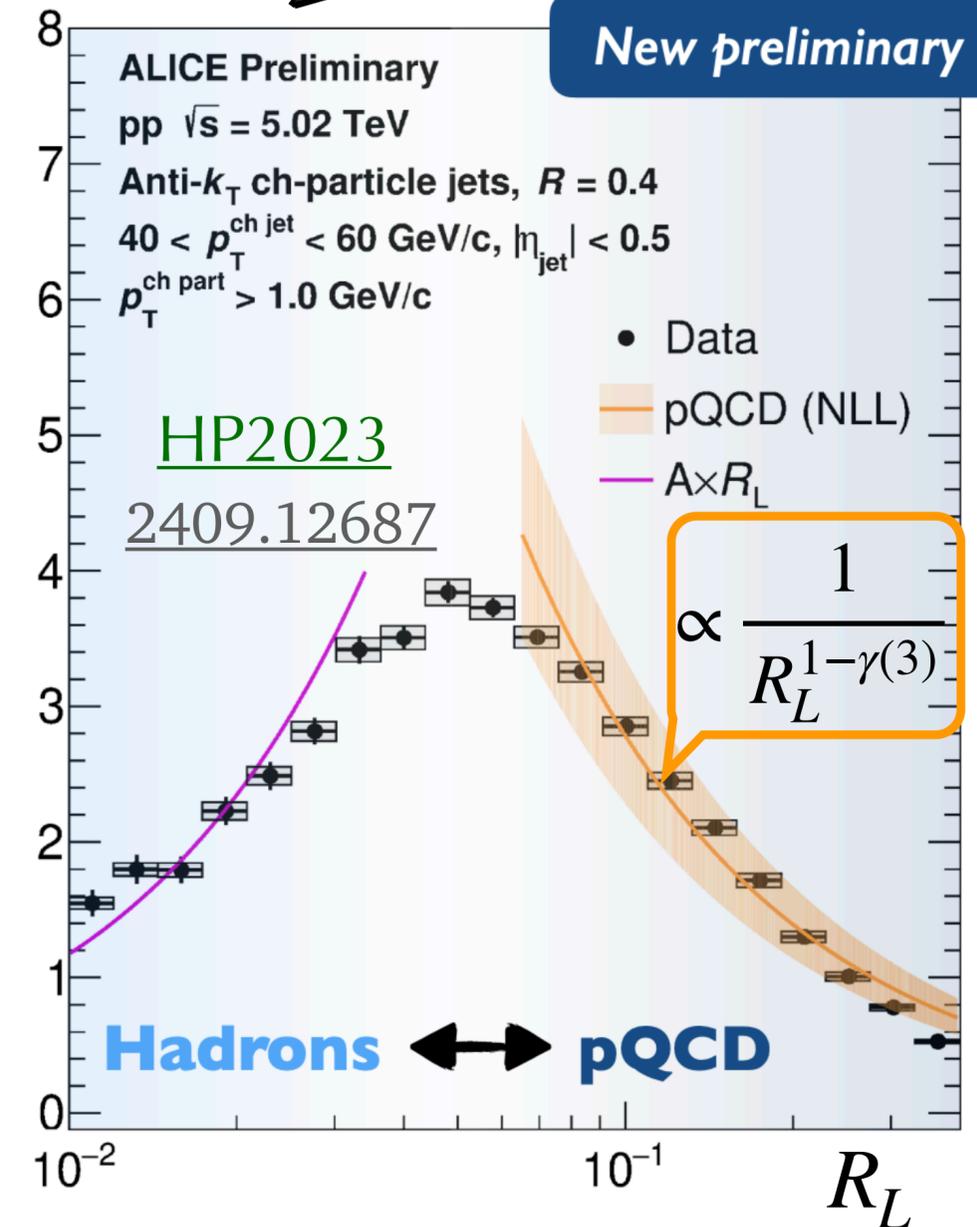
$$\frac{d\Sigma_{\text{E2C}}}{dR_L} \propto \frac{1}{R_L^{1-\gamma(3)}}$$

**Power-law scaling** according to CFT!

**QCD scaling observed** by STAR, ALICE, and CMS in jets  
from 15 GeV to ~2TeV!



$$\frac{1}{N_{\text{jet}}} \times \frac{dN_{\text{EEC}}}{d\theta}$$



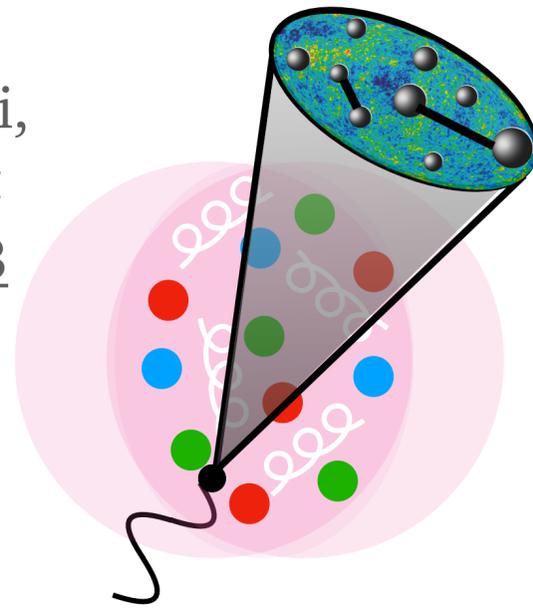
See also: CMS, [2402.13864](#), and STAR [2309.0576](#)

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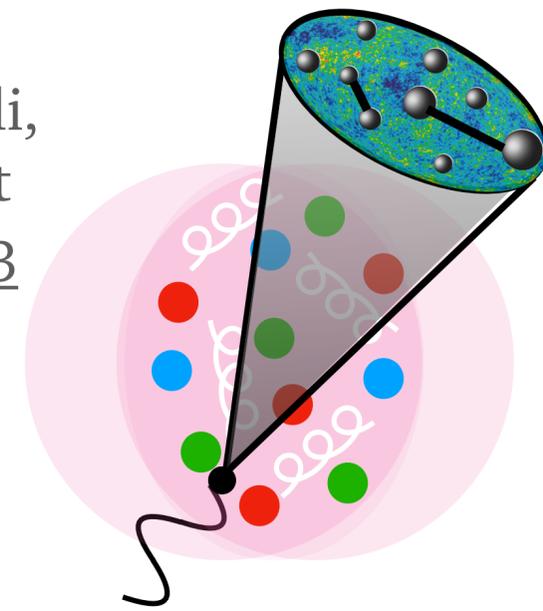
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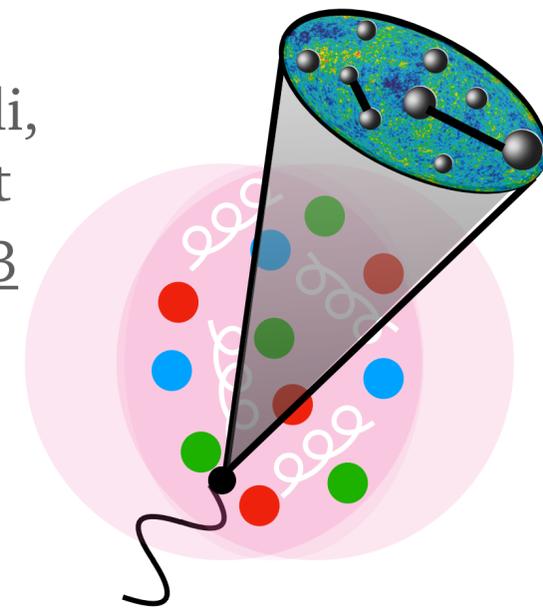
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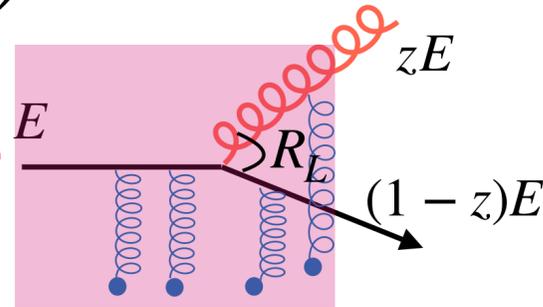


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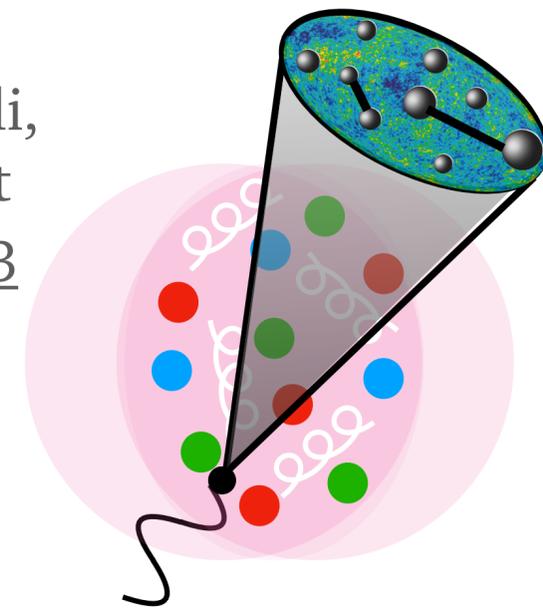
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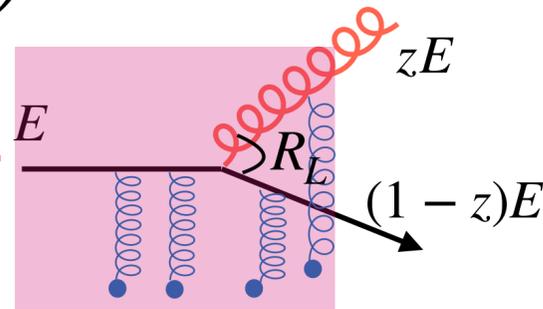


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- Soft approximation ( $z \rightarrow 0$ ,  $zE$  finite) not suitable
- Two available approximations:
  - **Semi-hard splittings:** eikonal trajectories. Ignores broadening  
Isaksen, Tywoniuk, [2107.02542](#)  
Dominguez, Milhano, Salgado, Tywoniuk, Vila, [1907.03653](#)
  - **Opacity expansion (GLV).** No eikonal assumptions  
Sievert, Vitev, [1807.03799](#)

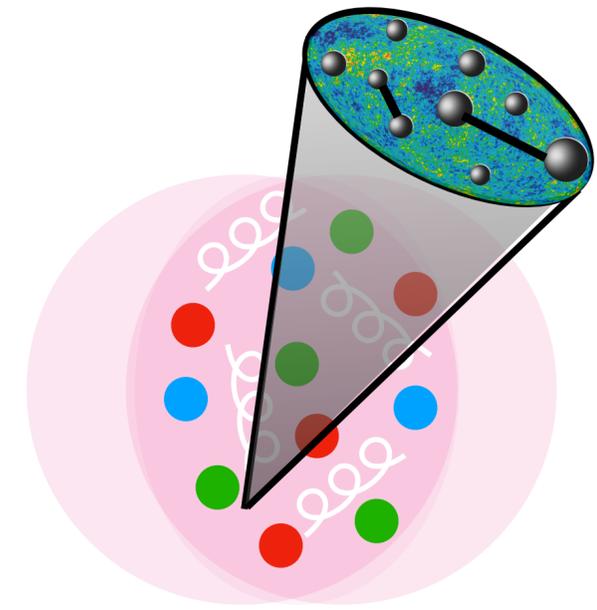


# Toward a qualitative comparison to inclusive jets data

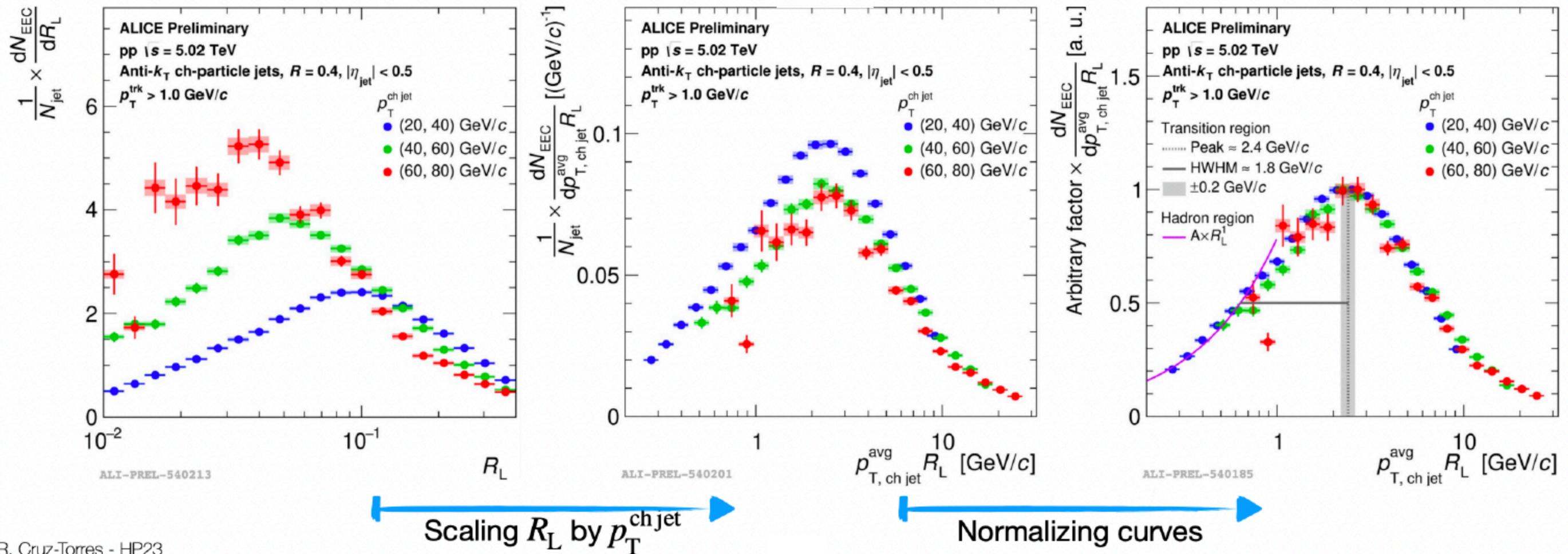
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# Energy loss

- Energy loss must be included at LO in inclusive measurements due to the **dependence of the E2C on the hard scale**
- Shift in the hard scale. **Selection bias**



## E2C within p-p jets



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# Energy loss and hadronization transition

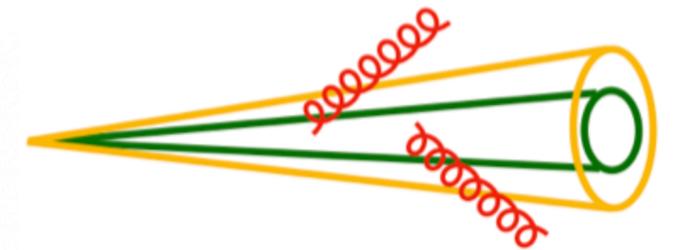
- Analytical model of the **hadronization transition**

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \left. \frac{d\Sigma^{\text{E2C}}}{dR_L} \right|_{\text{pQCD}} \sim R_L^{-1+\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)} & \longrightarrow & \left. \frac{d\Sigma^{\text{E2C}}}{dR_L} \right|_{\text{pQCD}} = \frac{R_L}{B_0 + B_2 R_L^2} \\
 \left. \frac{d\Sigma^{\text{E2C}}}{dR_L} \right|_{\text{free had}} \sim R_L & & \frac{B_0}{B_2} \sim \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}{Q^2}
 \end{array}$$

- Rough estimate of **energy loss** through Quenching Weights distribution (totally coherent)

Salgado, Wiedemann, [hep-ph/0302184](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/0302184)

$$P_\xi(\epsilon) = \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{N!} \prod_{i=1}^N \left[ \int d\omega_i \frac{dI_\xi}{d\omega} \right] \delta \left( \epsilon - \sum_{i=1}^N \omega_i \right) \exp \left[ - \int_0^{\infty} d\omega \frac{dI_\xi}{d\omega} \right]$$



For corrections to this approach due to fluctuations see: Mehtar-Tani, Tywoniuk, [1707.07361](https://arxiv.org/abs/1707.07361)

Barata, Caucal, Soto-Ontoso, Szafron, [2312.12527](https://arxiv.org/abs/2312.12527)

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- Predictions within two approaches to compute **E2C**:
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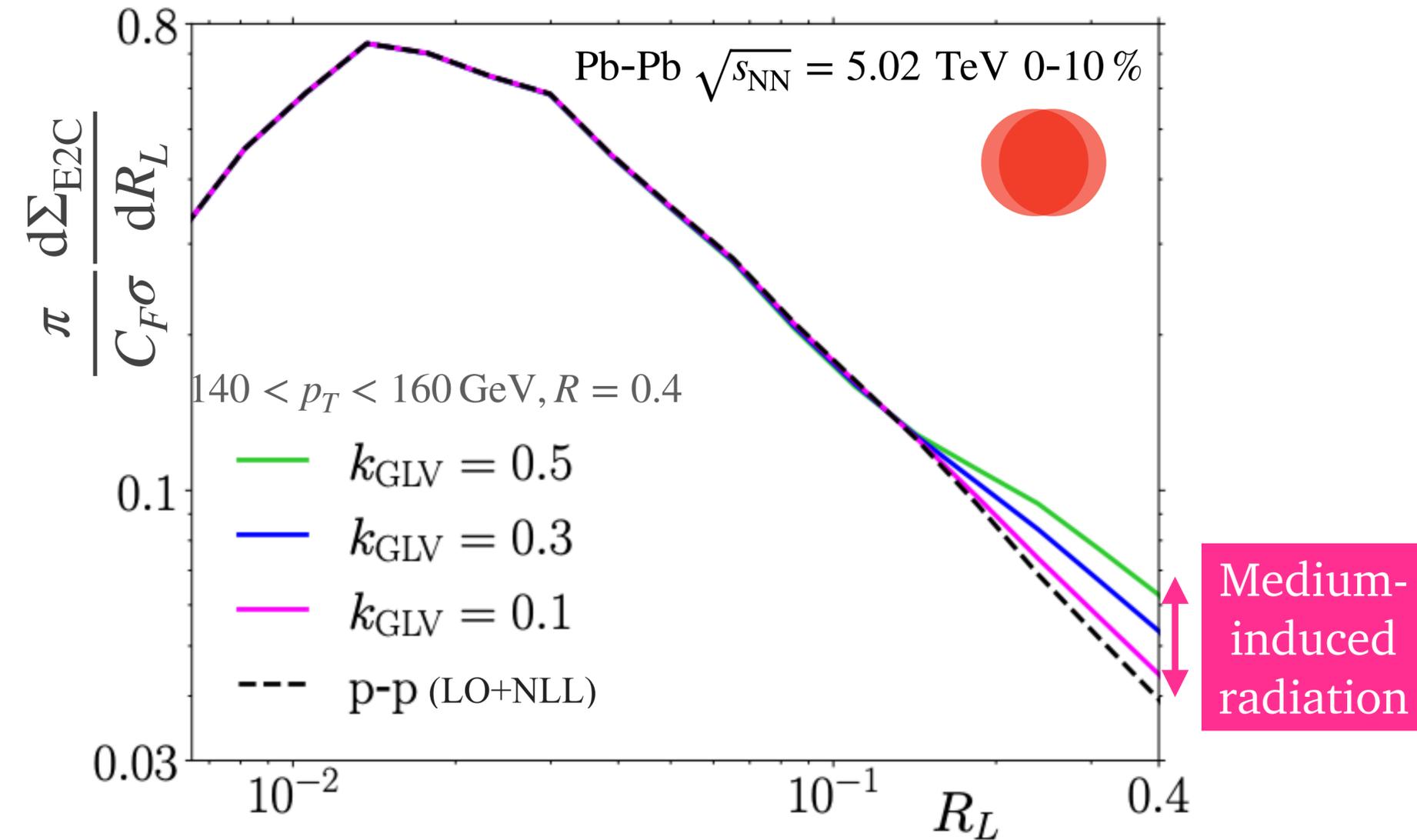
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$k_{\text{GLV}}$  and normalization are free parameters!

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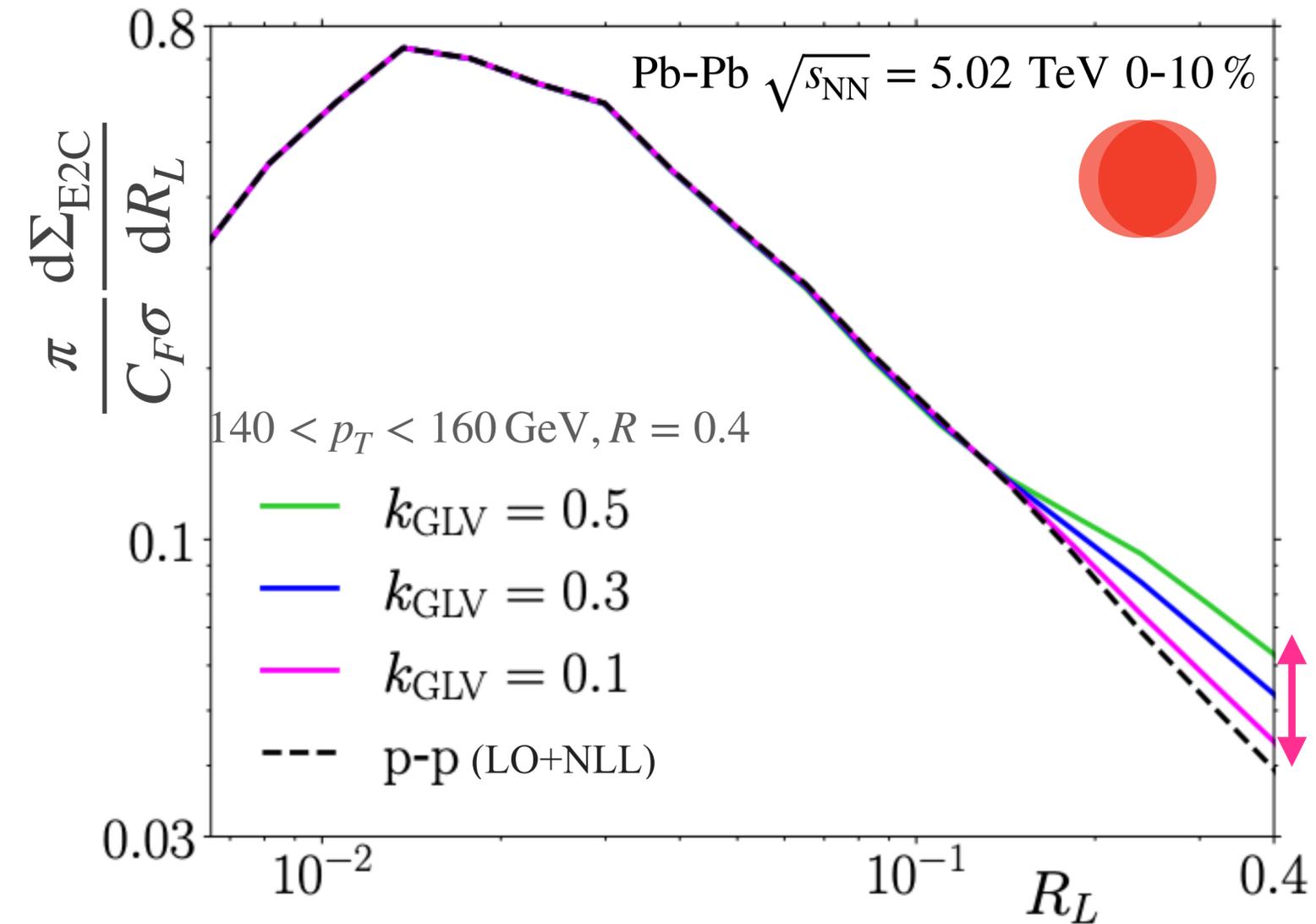


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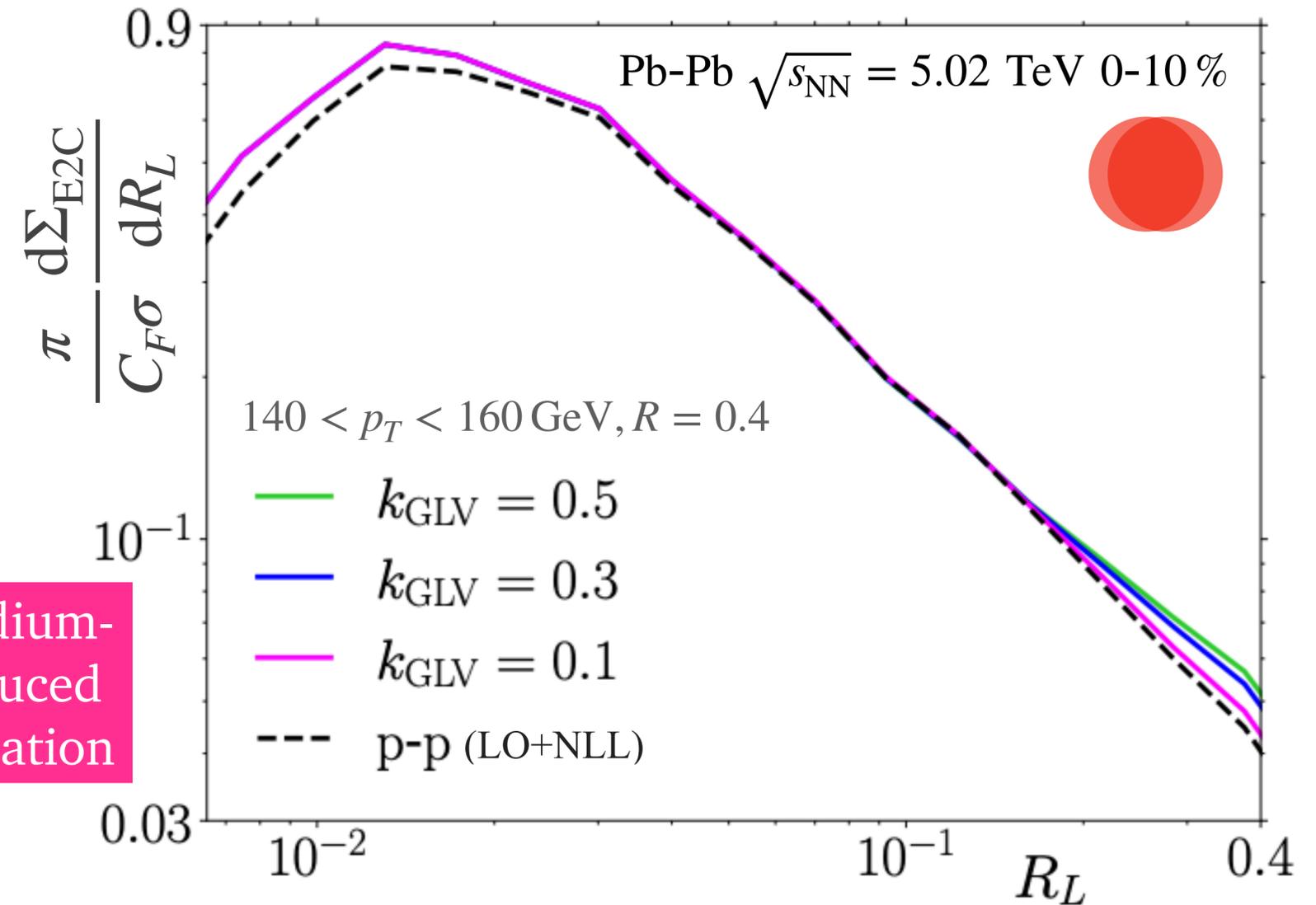
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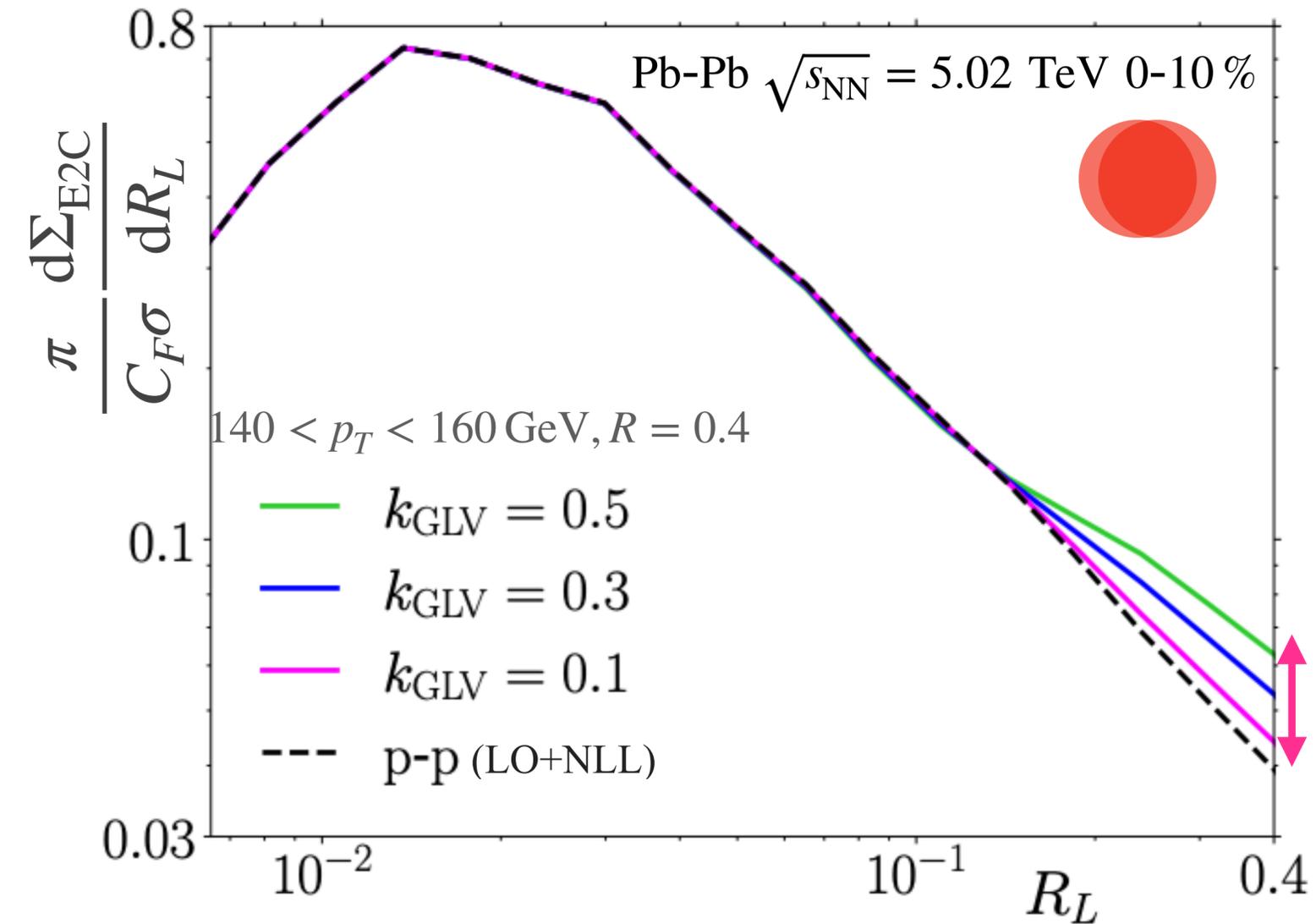


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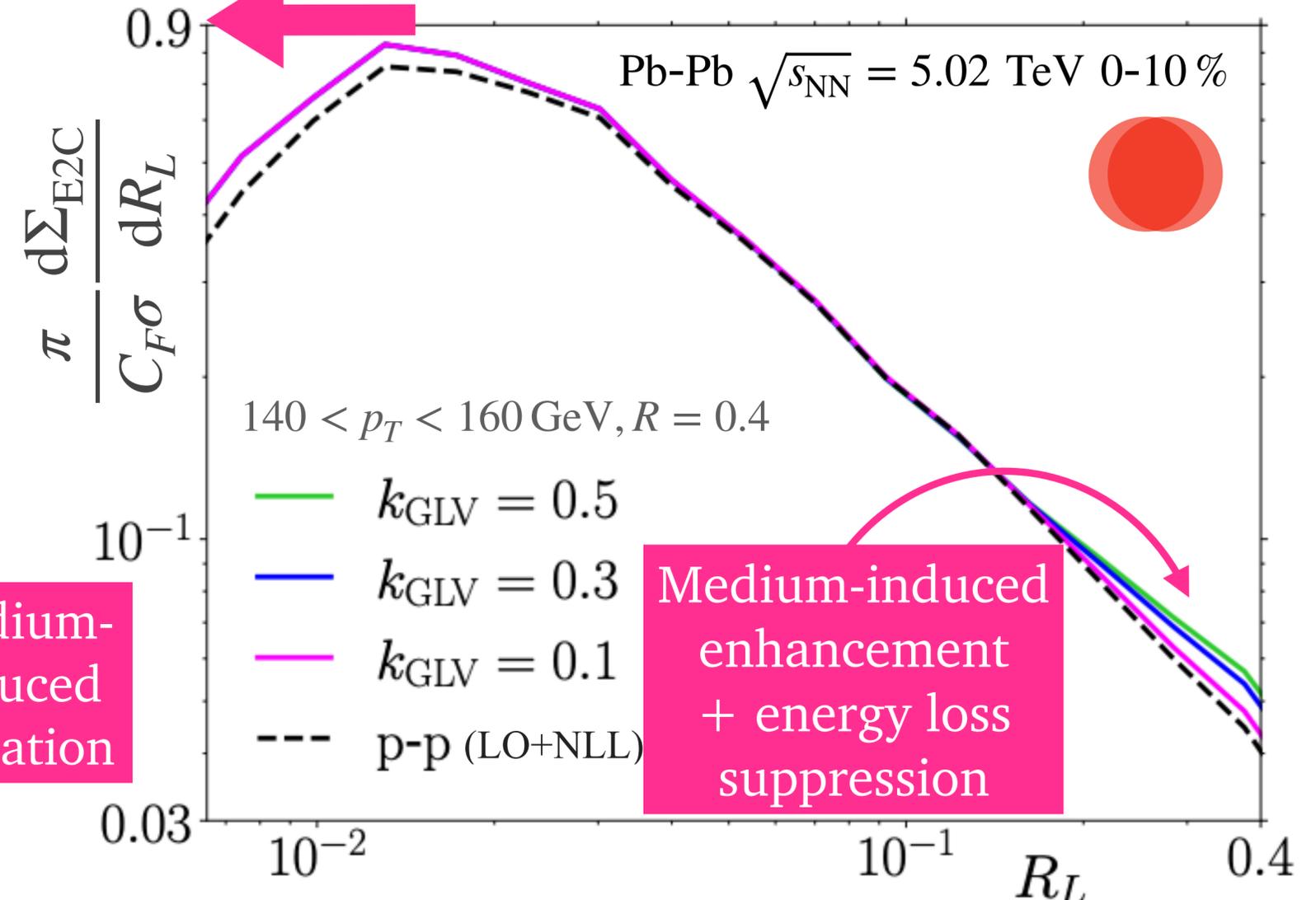
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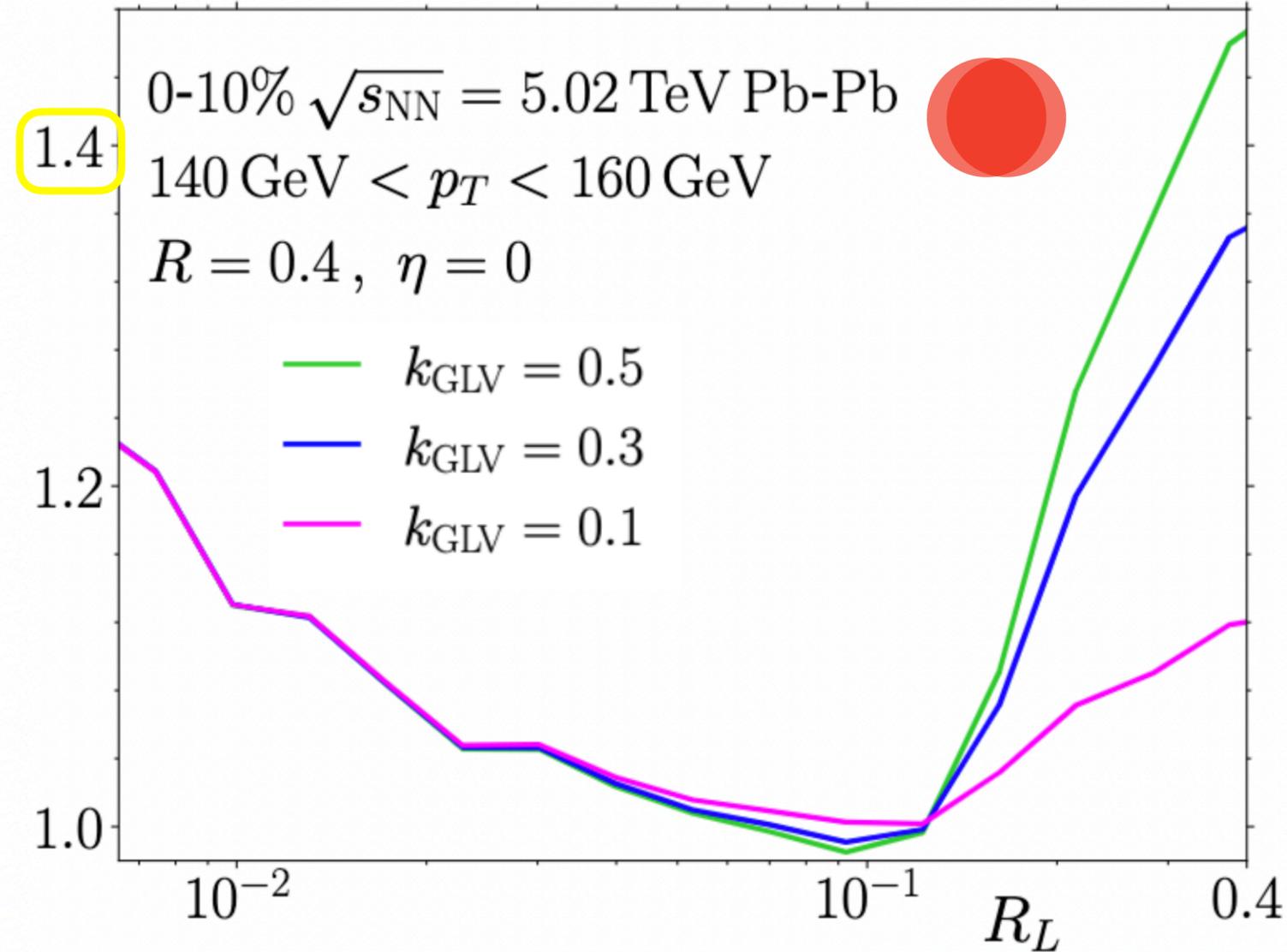
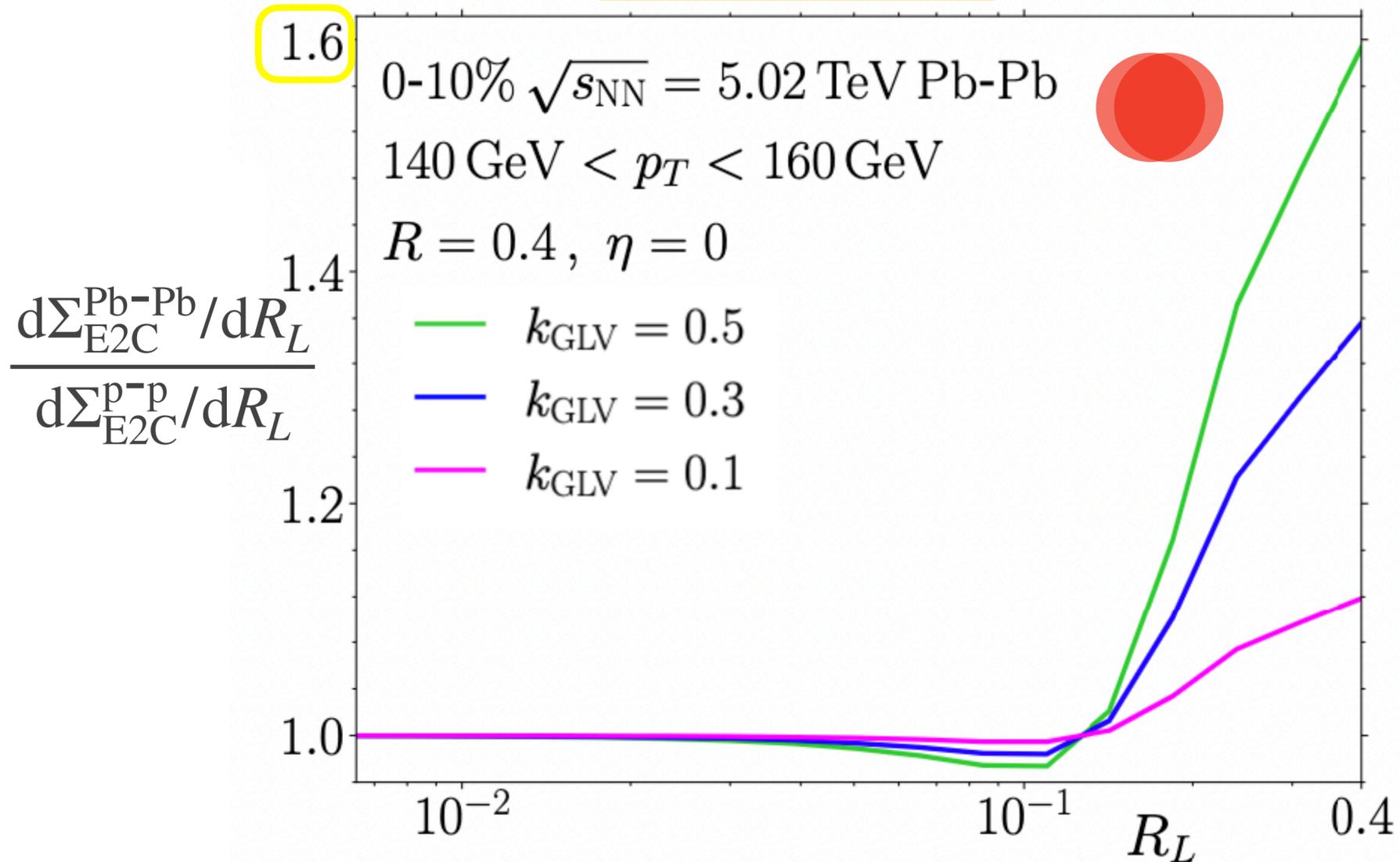
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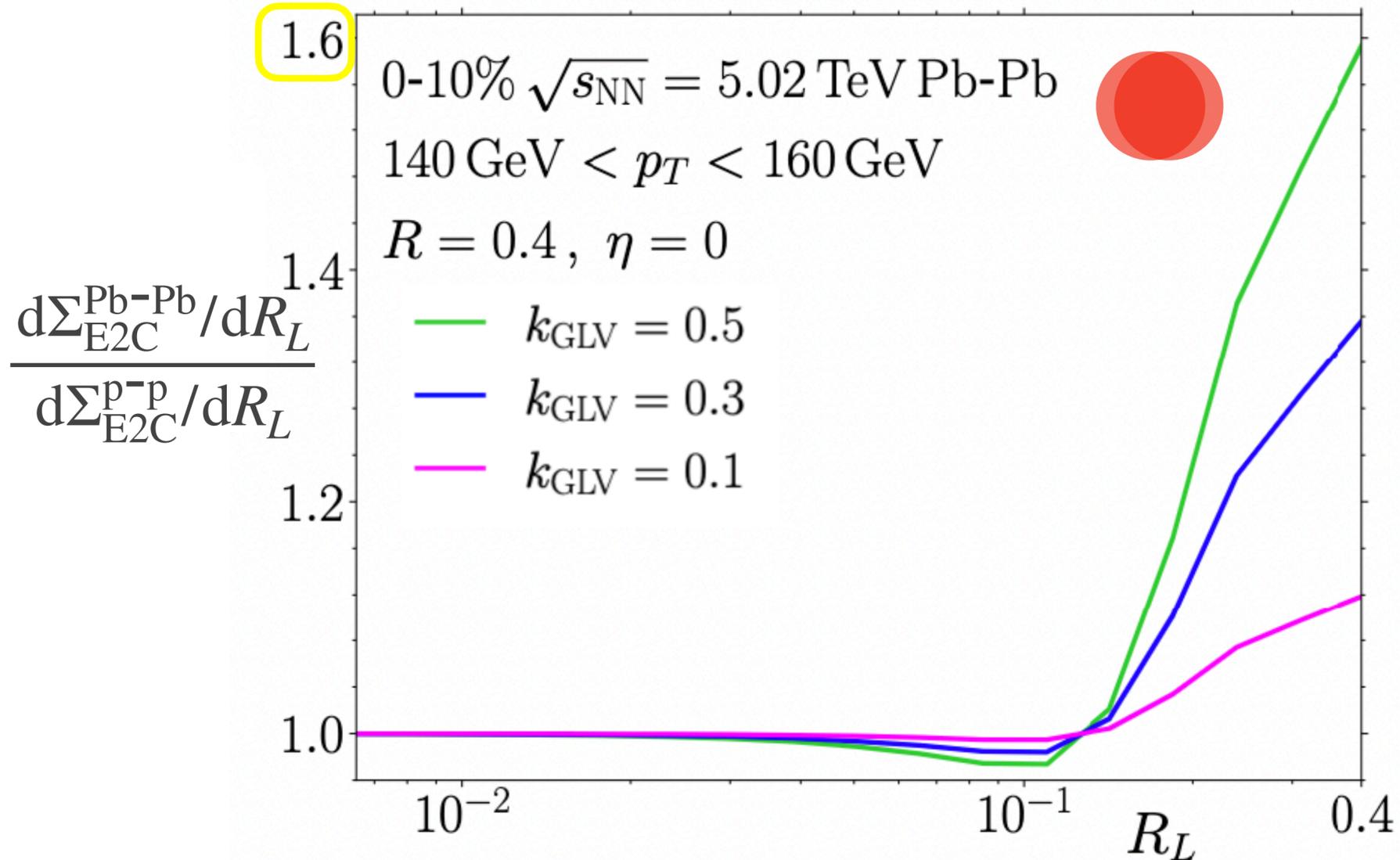
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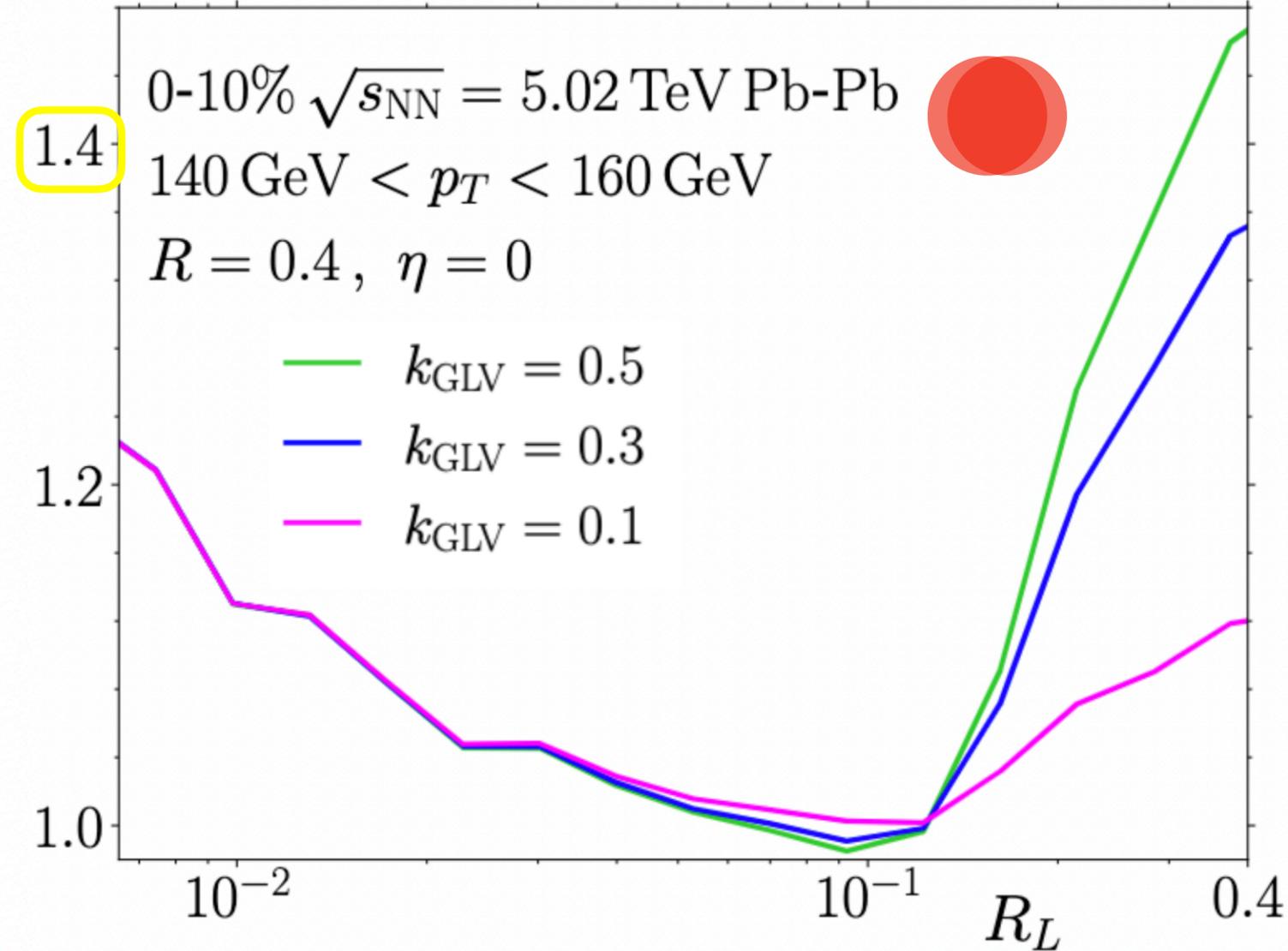
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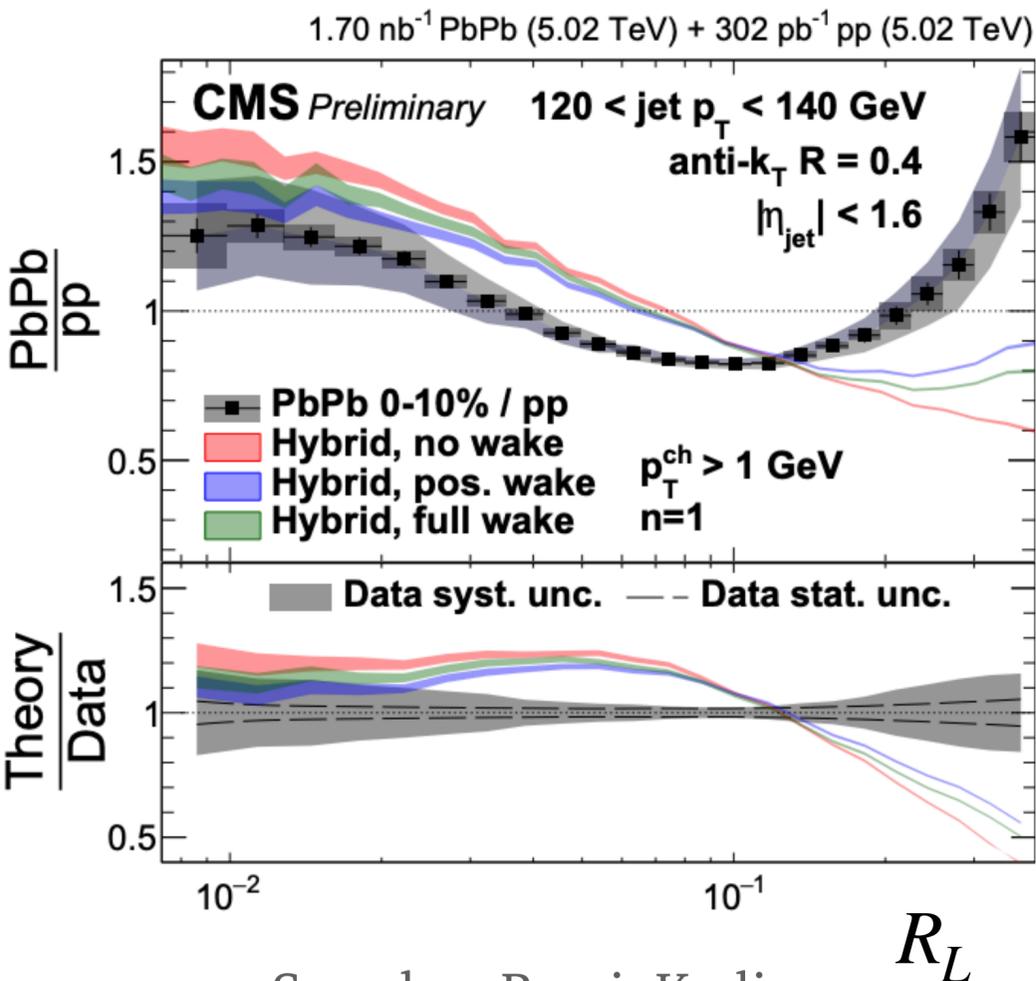
# E2C: A-A/p-p ratio predictions

CMS-PAS-HIN-23-004

From [Jussi Viinikainen's talk at the Energy Correlators at the Collider Frontier workshop](#)

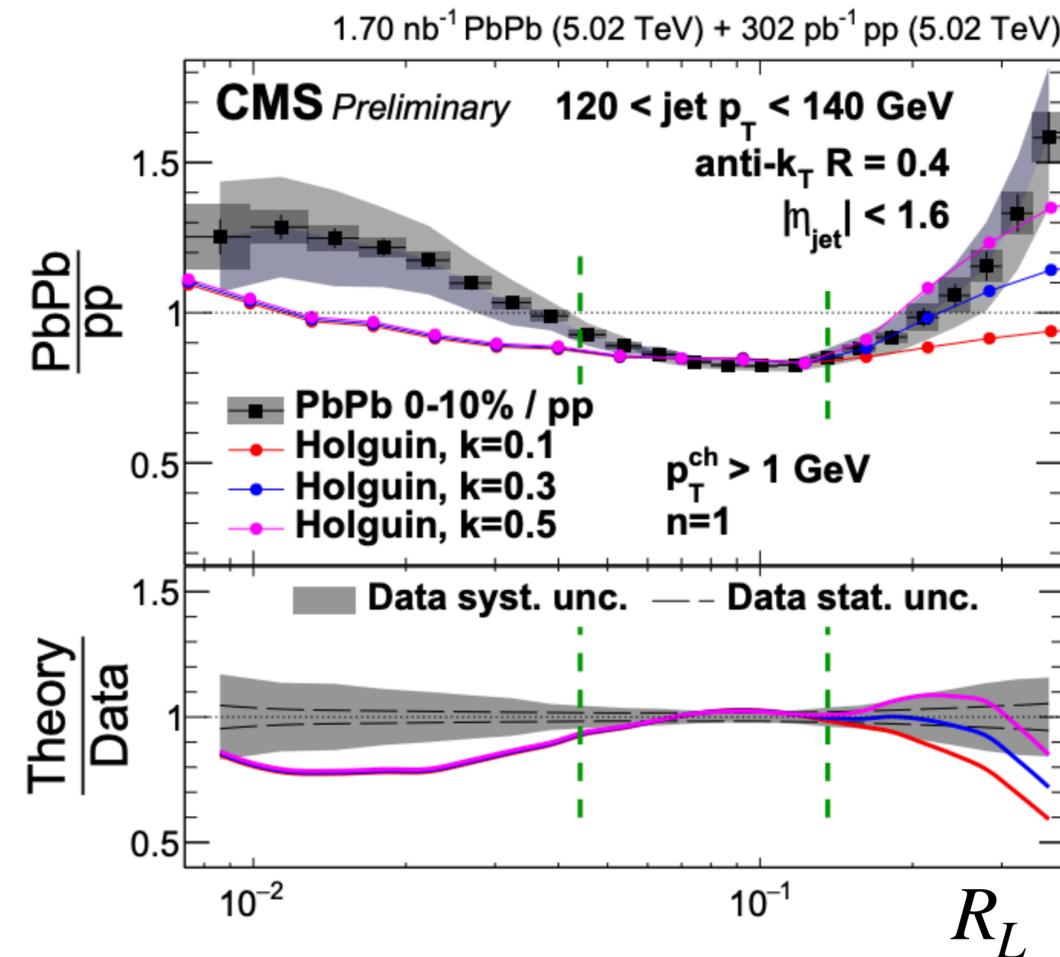
## Hybrid model

Pablos, Kudinoor, Rajagopal



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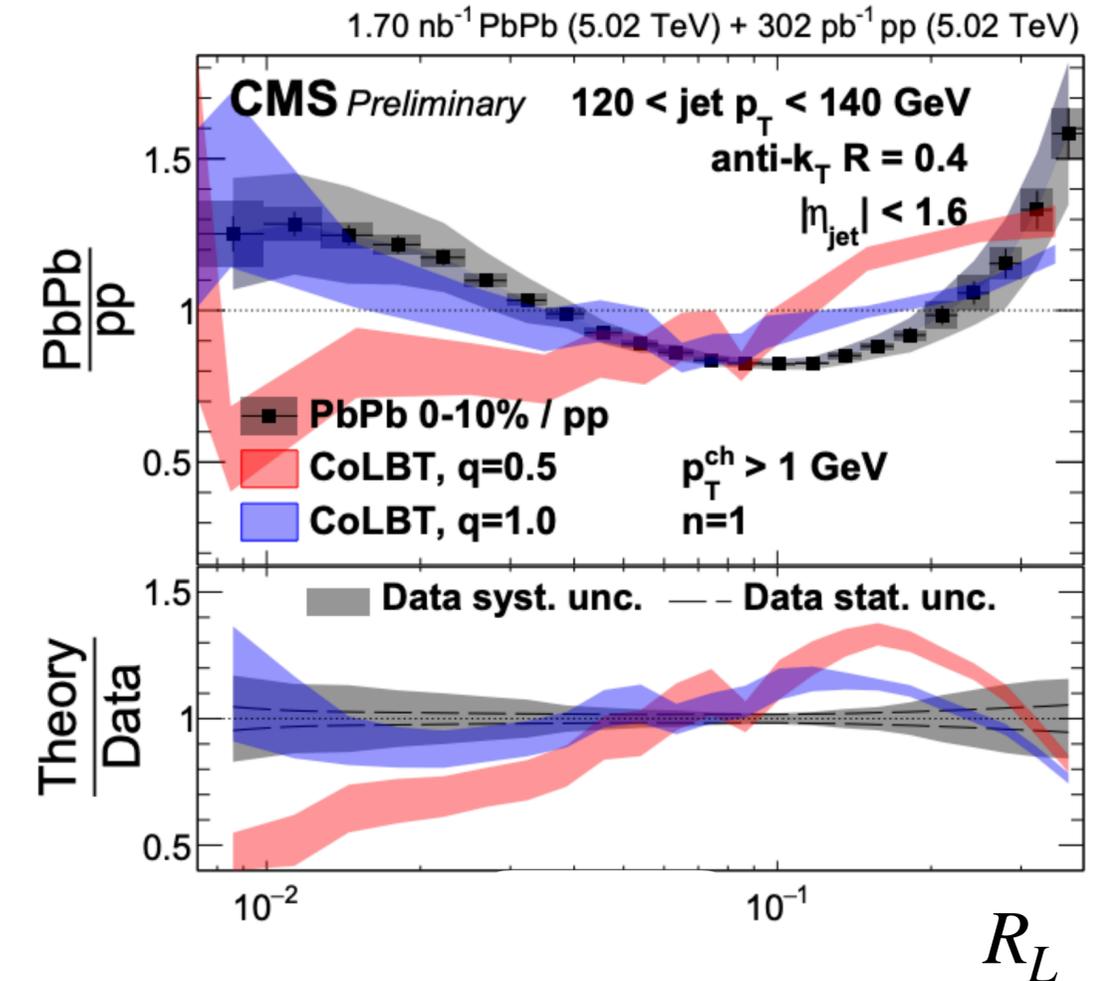
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## CoLBT

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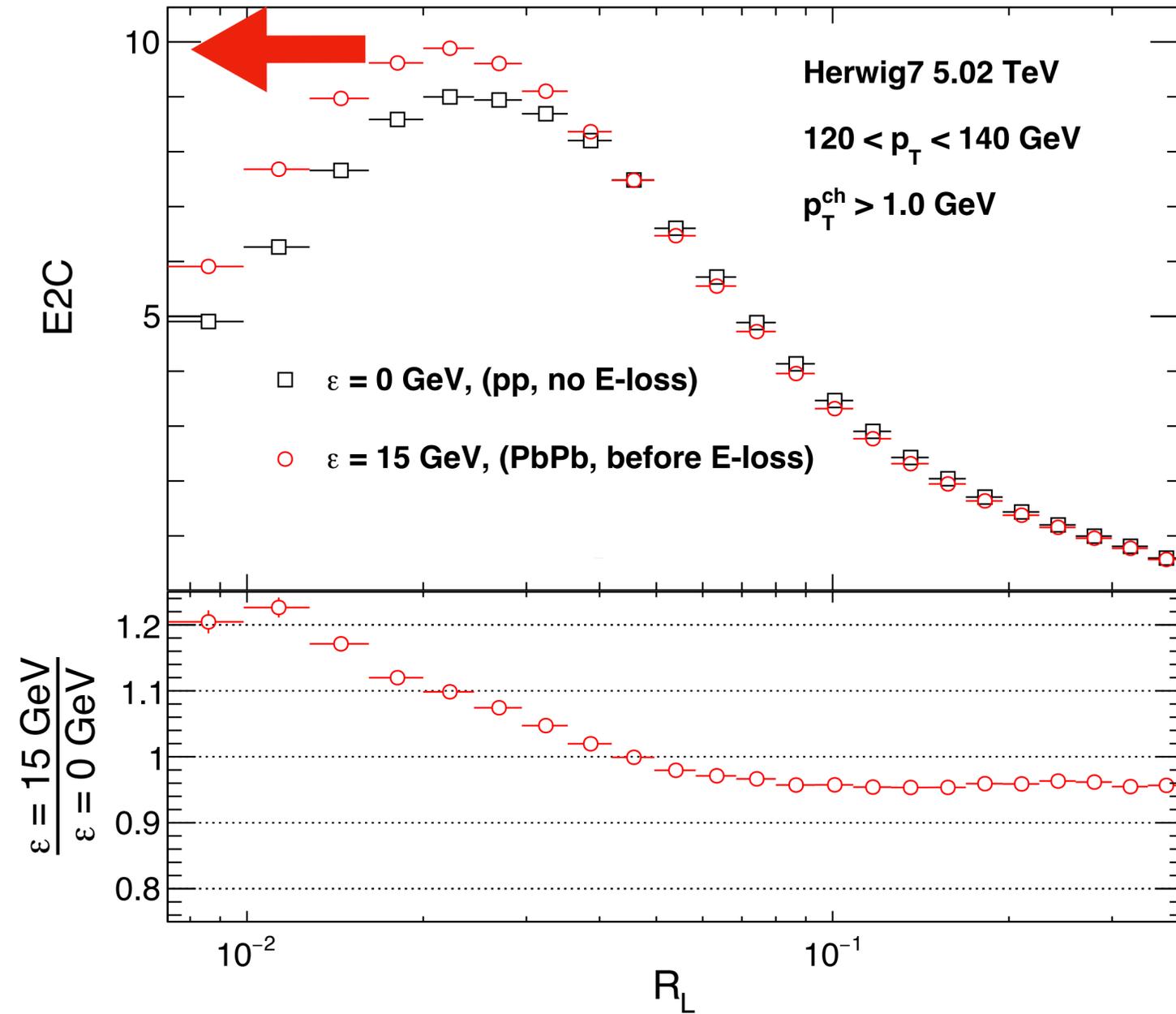


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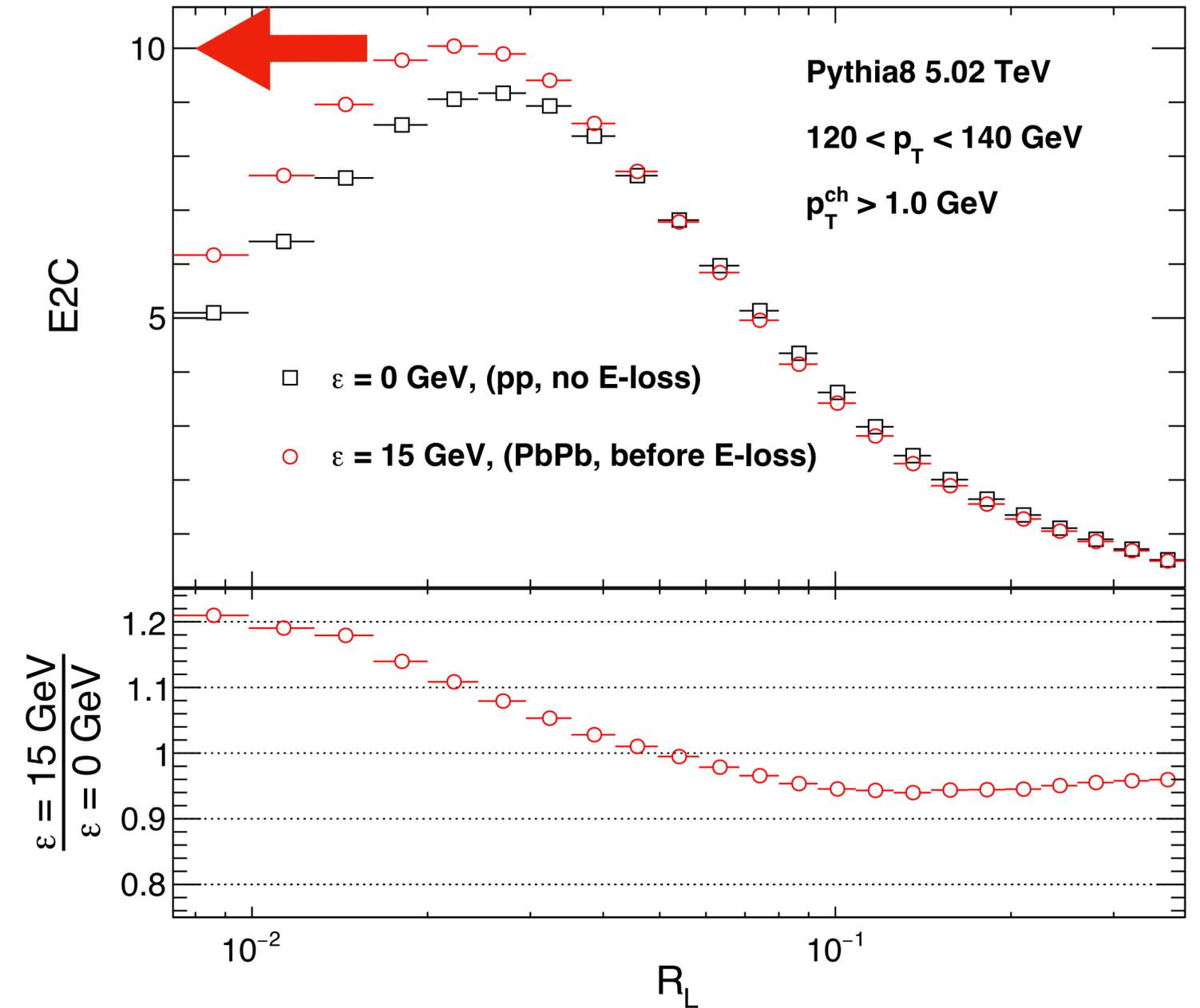
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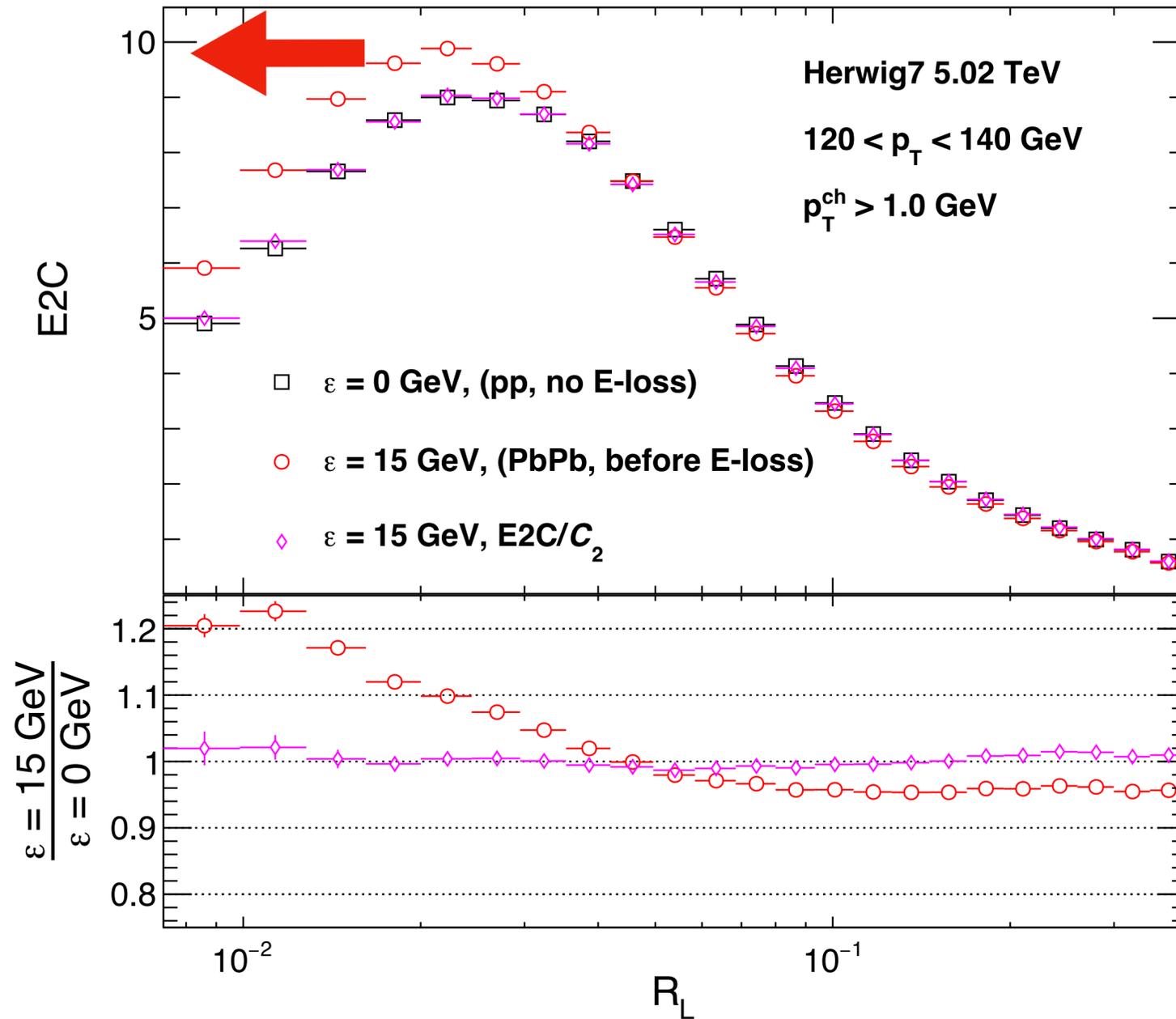
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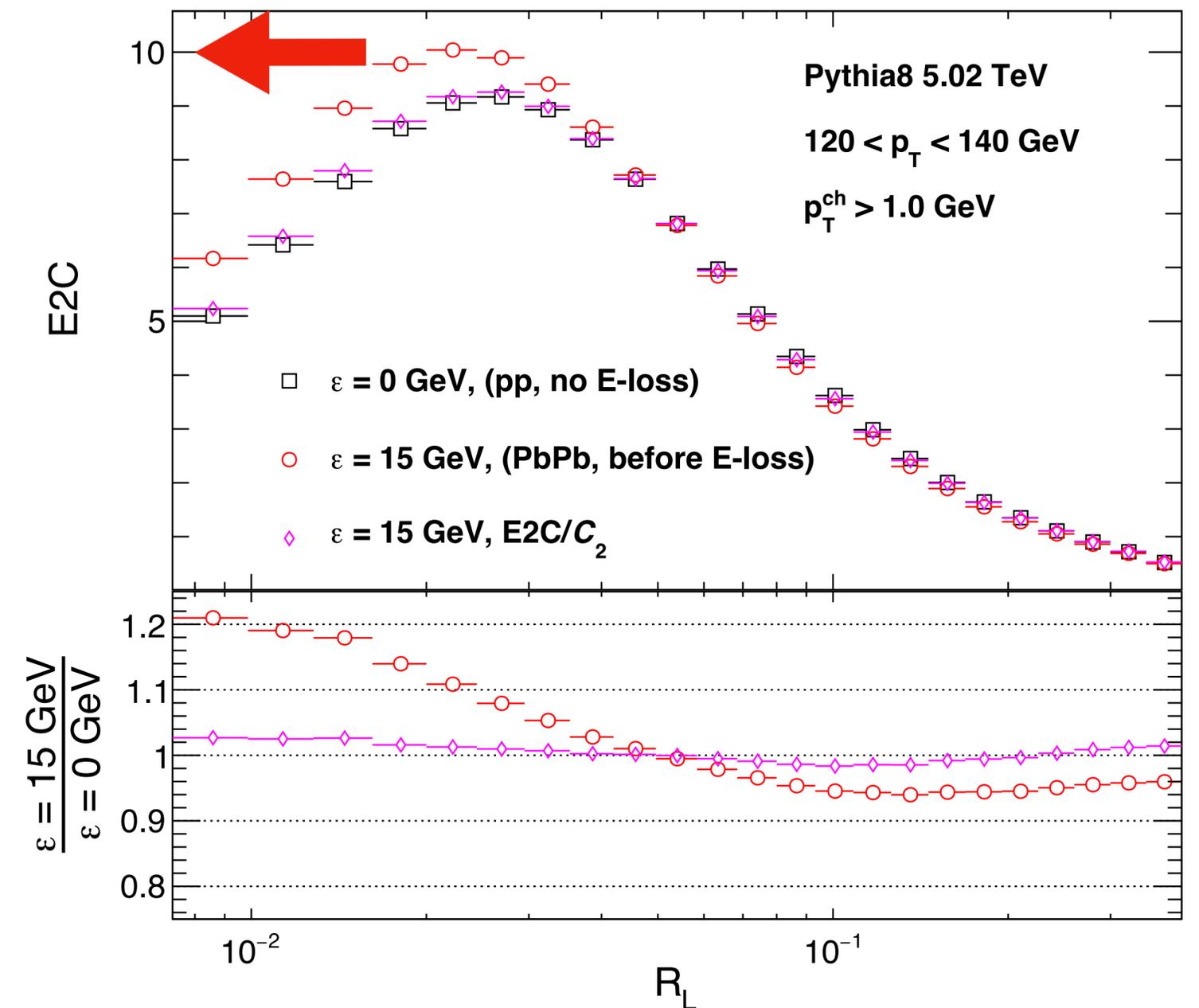
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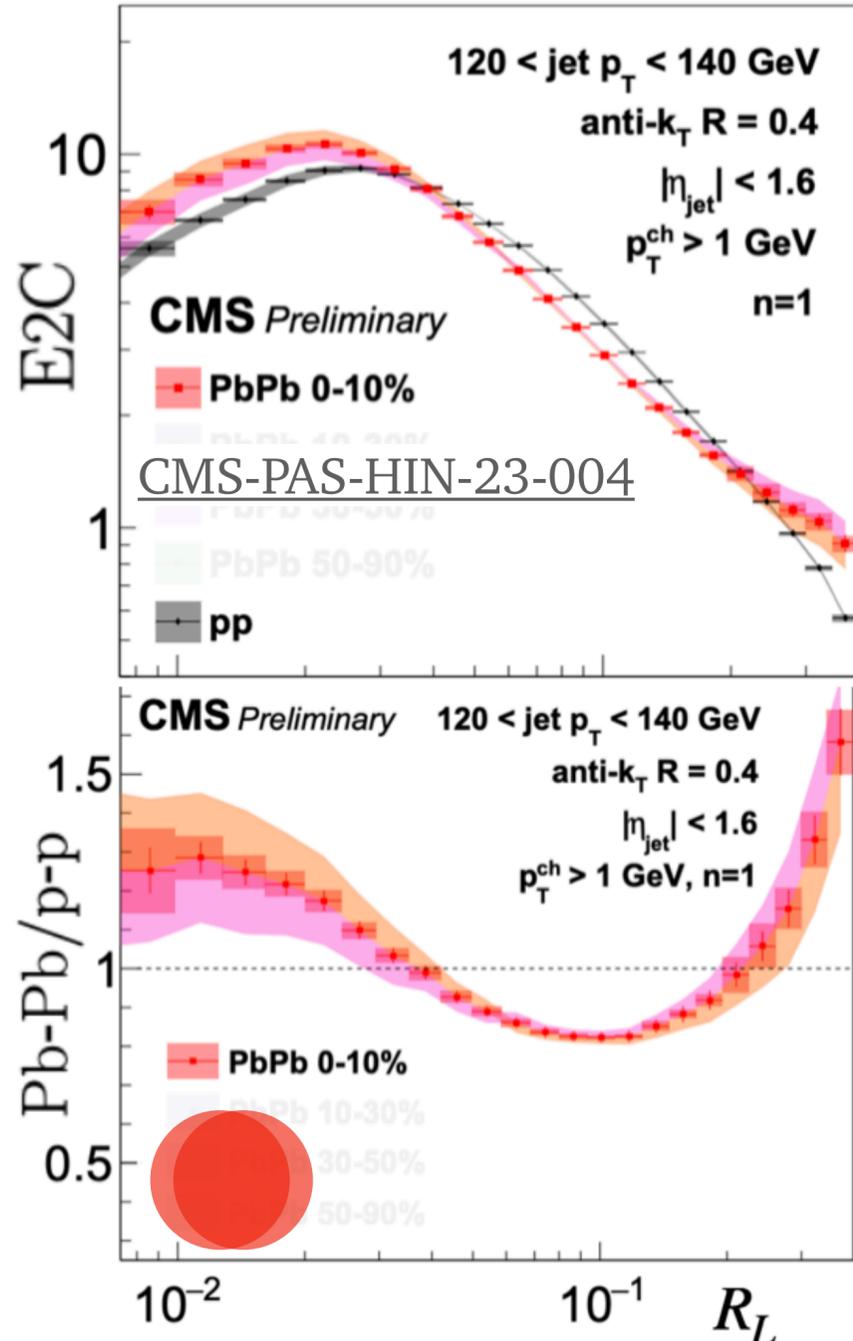
E2C/ $C_2$ : almost no selection bias effect!

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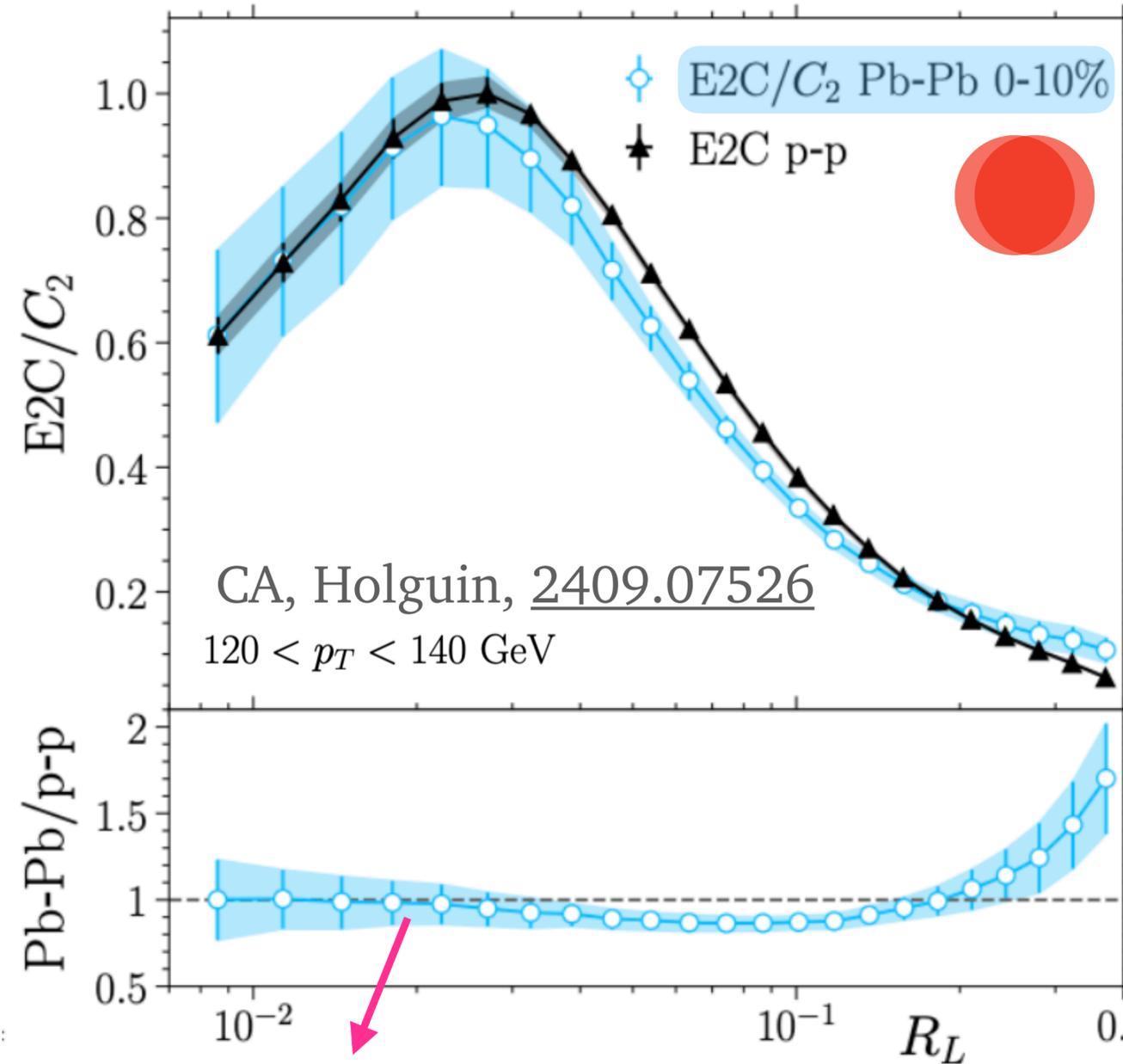
$$C_2(R_L) \equiv \left( \frac{F_{E2C}^{AA}(R_L, 2)}{F_{E2C}^{PP}(R_L, 2)} \right)^{\frac{2}{3}} - \left( \frac{F_{E2C}^{AA}(R_{\text{peak}}, 2)}{F_{E2C}^{PP}(R_{\text{peak}}, 2)} \right)^{\frac{2}{3}} + 1$$

## E2C in inclusive jets

1.70 nb<sup>-1</sup> PbPb (5.02 TeV) + 302 pb<sup>-1</sup> pp (5.02 TeV)



## Unbiased E2C in inclusive jets



C<sub>2</sub> can be directly obtained from the E2C!

Larger enhancement

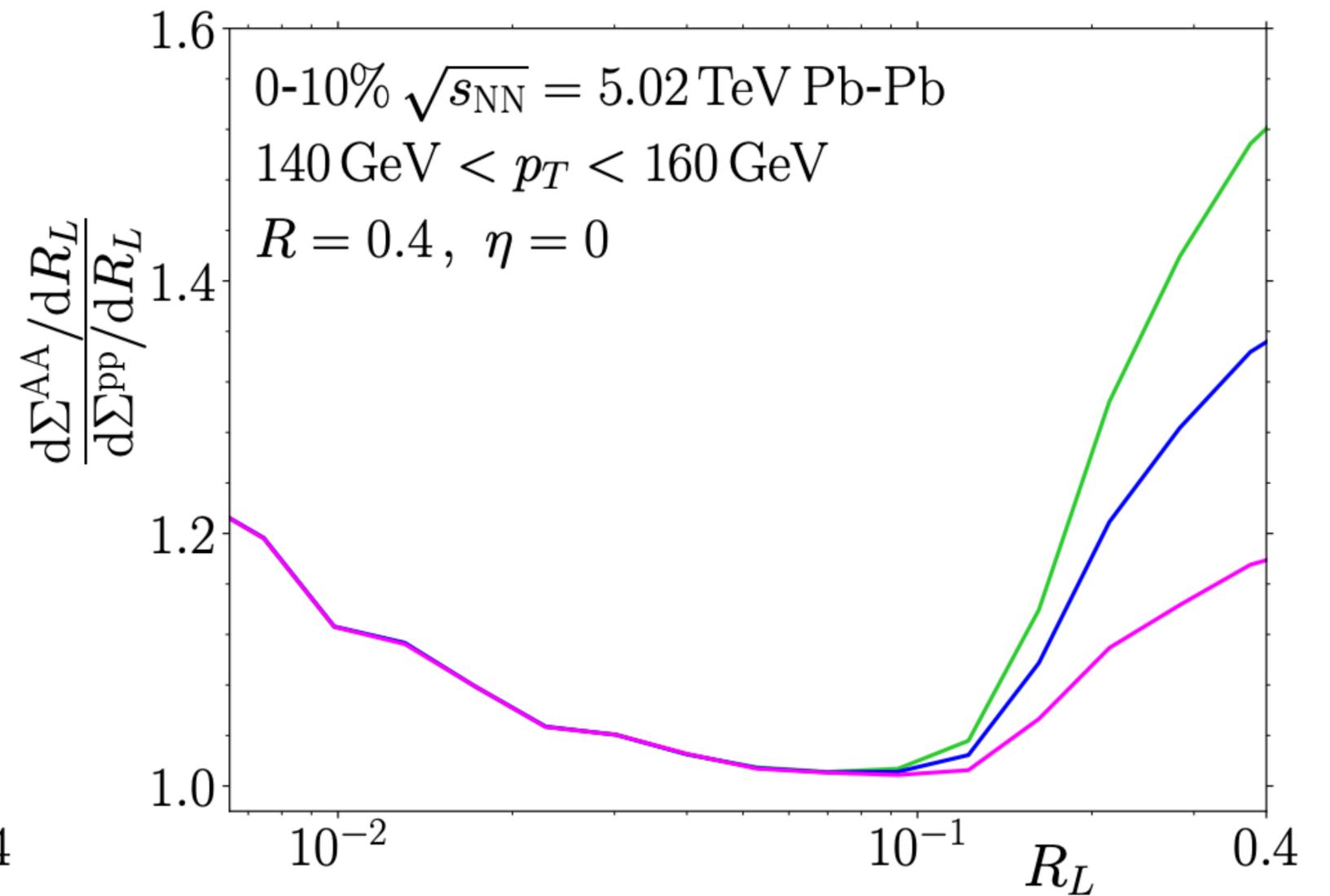
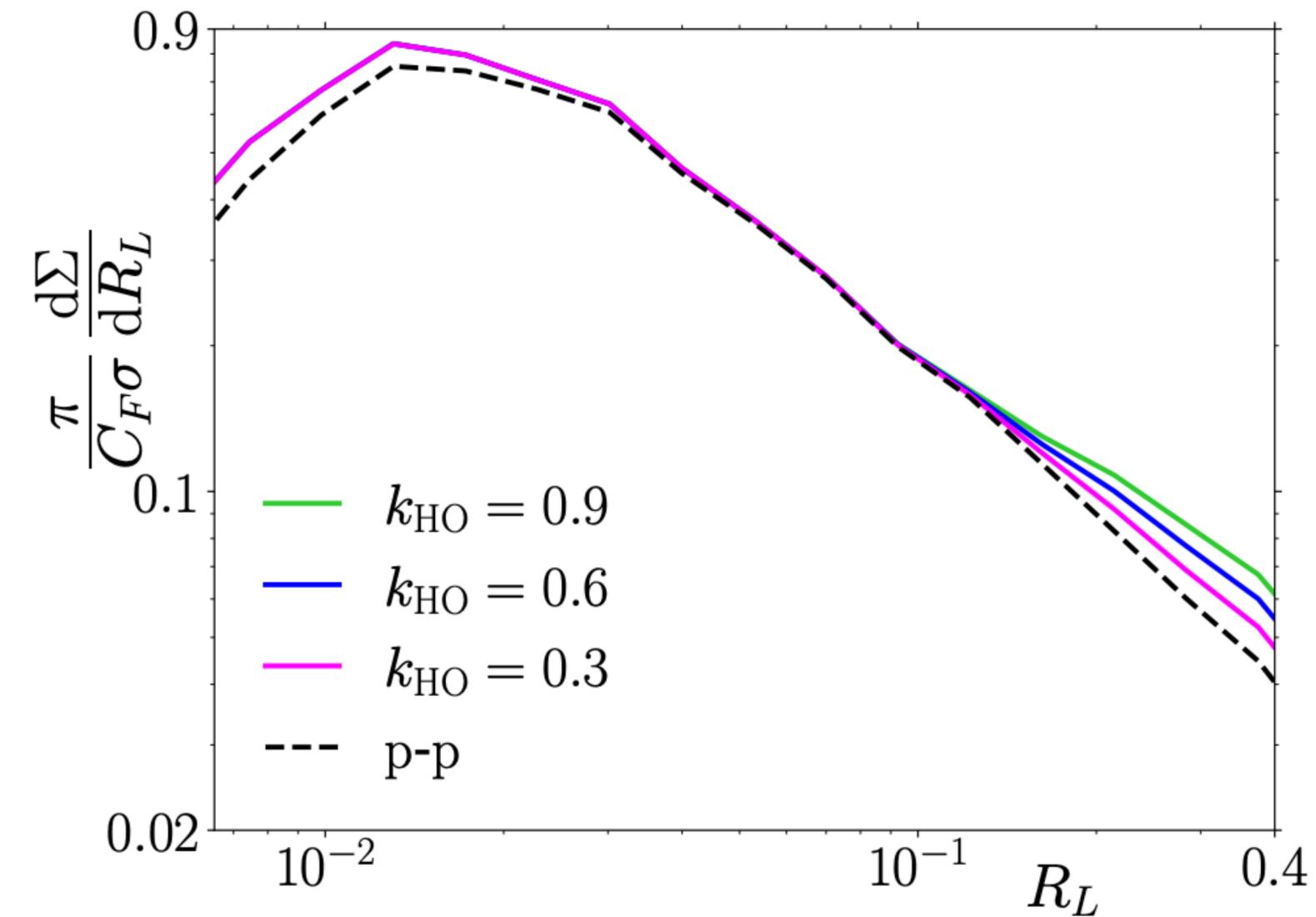
Within current uncertainties: the free hadron region is flat

# Conclusions

- **Qualitative good description** of the CMS E2C data in **inclusive jets** for the 0-10% centrality and all  $p_T$  bins
- **Medium-induced splittings** create an **enhancement at large angles**
- **Energy loss: shifts** the E2C in Pb-Pb **towards small angles** w.r.t. the p-p result  
**reduces the enhancement at large angles**
- **E2C/ $C_2$ : new E2C-based** observable that **removes leading order energy loss effects!**

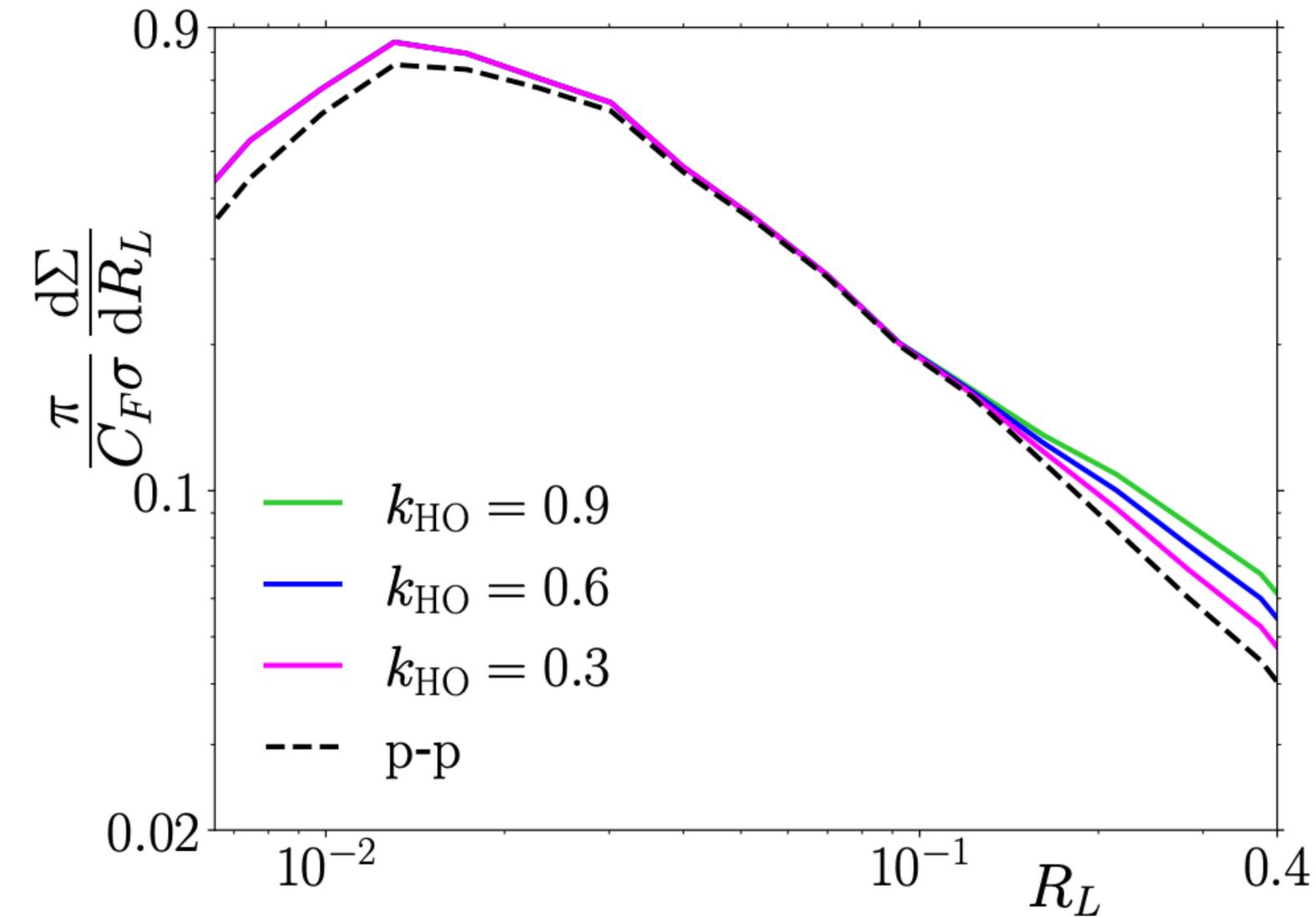
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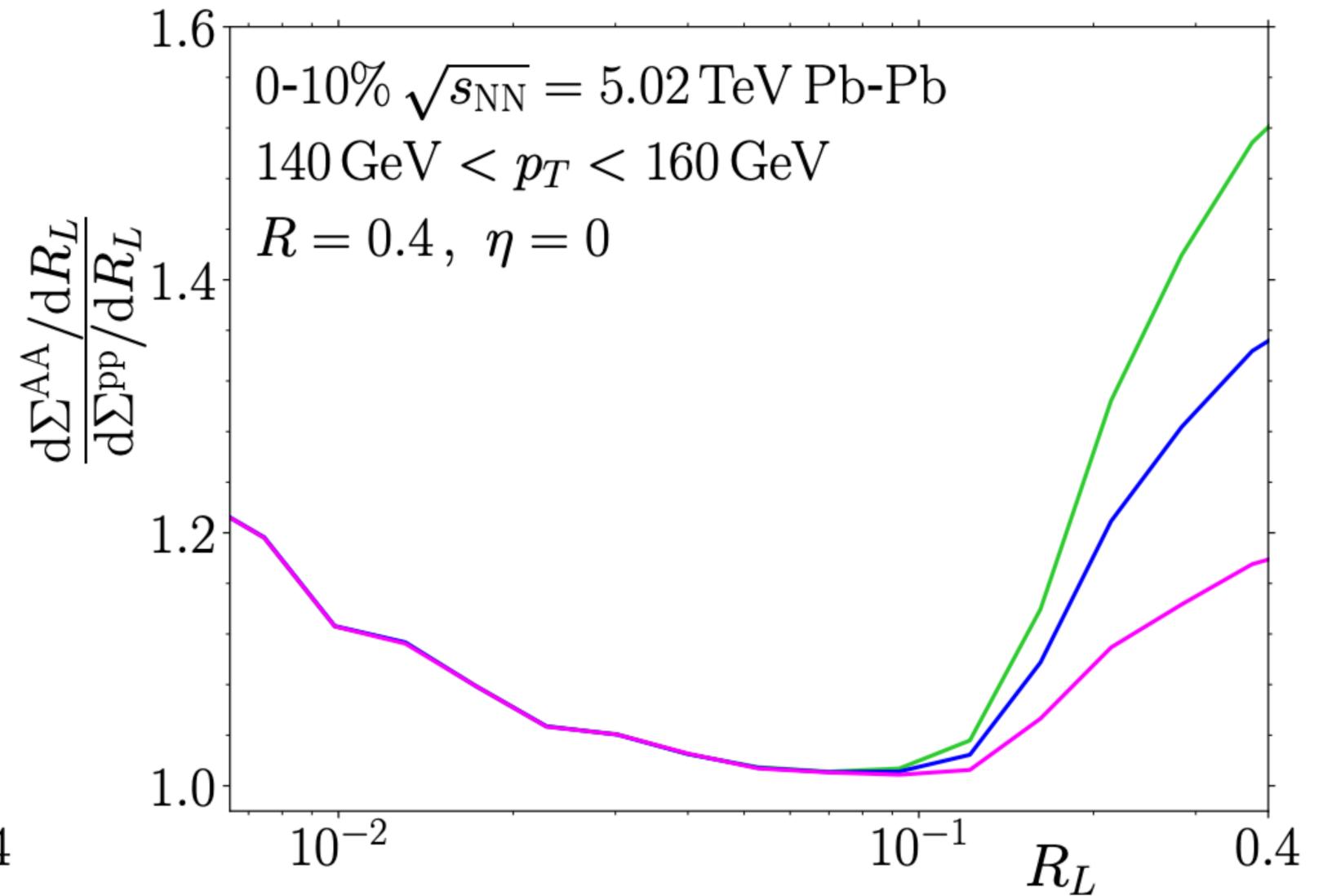


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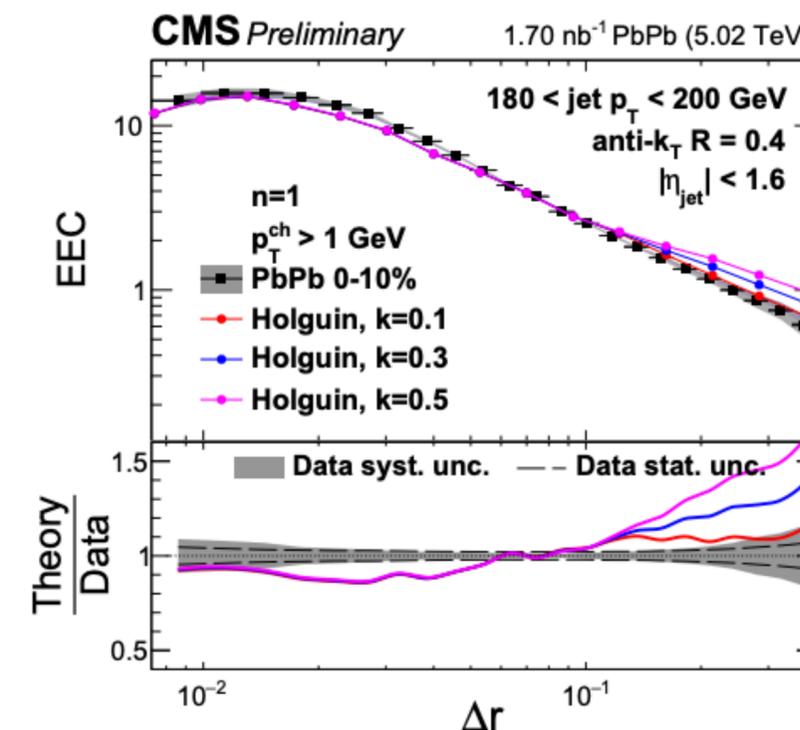
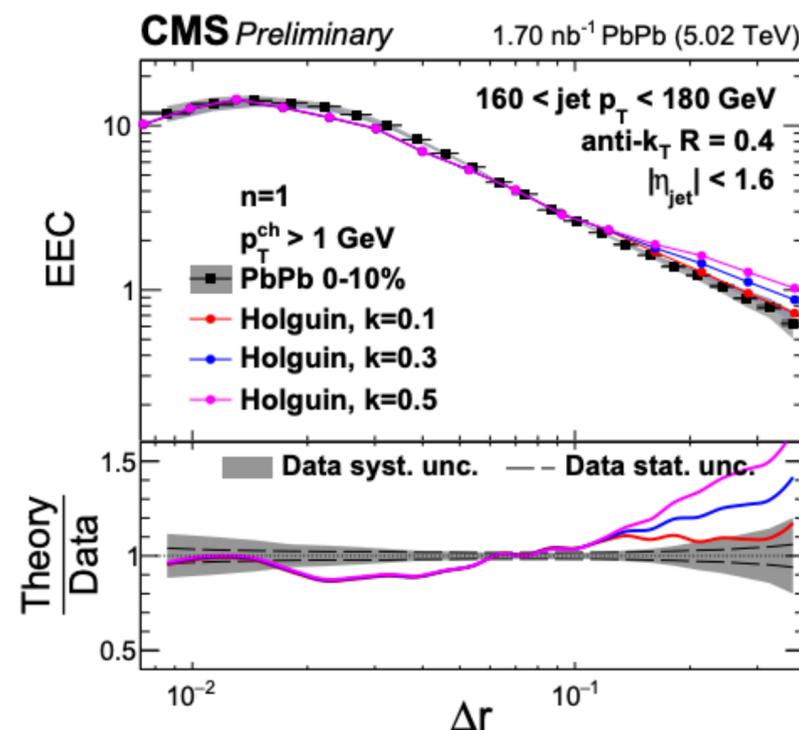
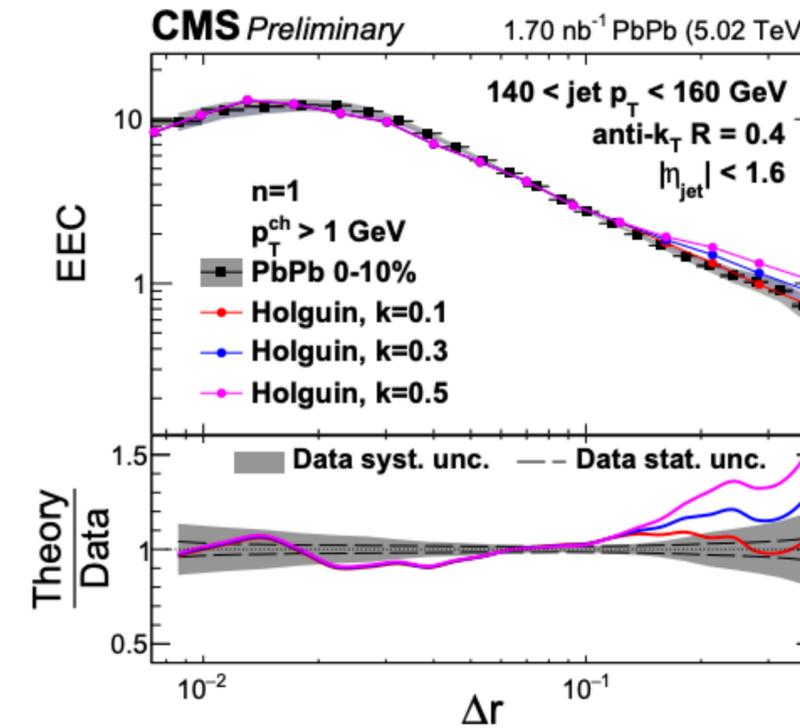
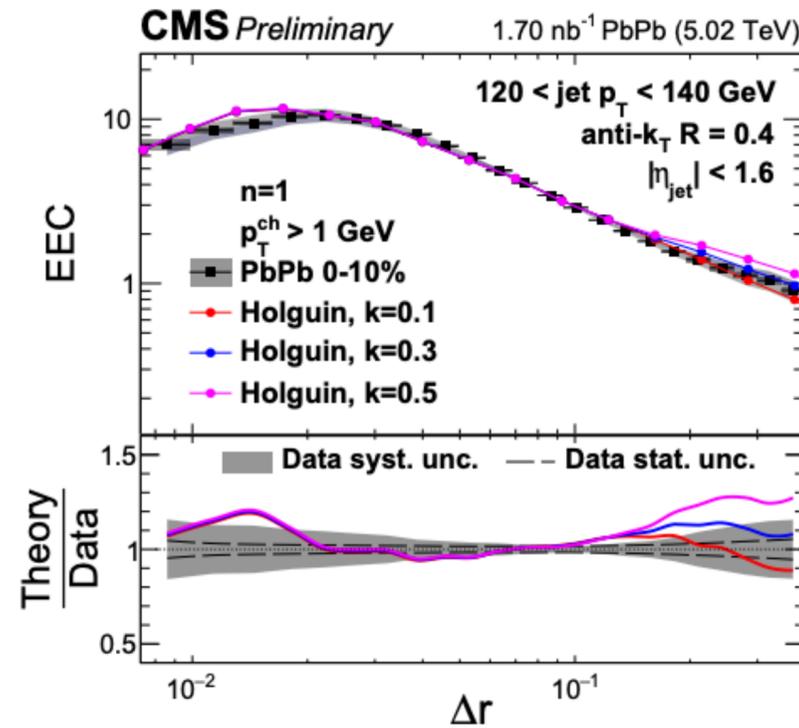


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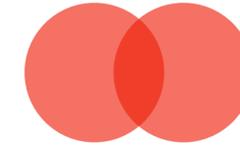
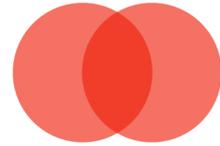
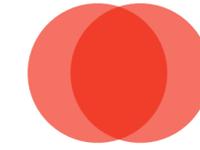


# $p_T$ dependence

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$120 < p_T < 140$  GeV, Centrality dependence

