

# Deep Learning on Jet Modification in the Presence of the QGP Background

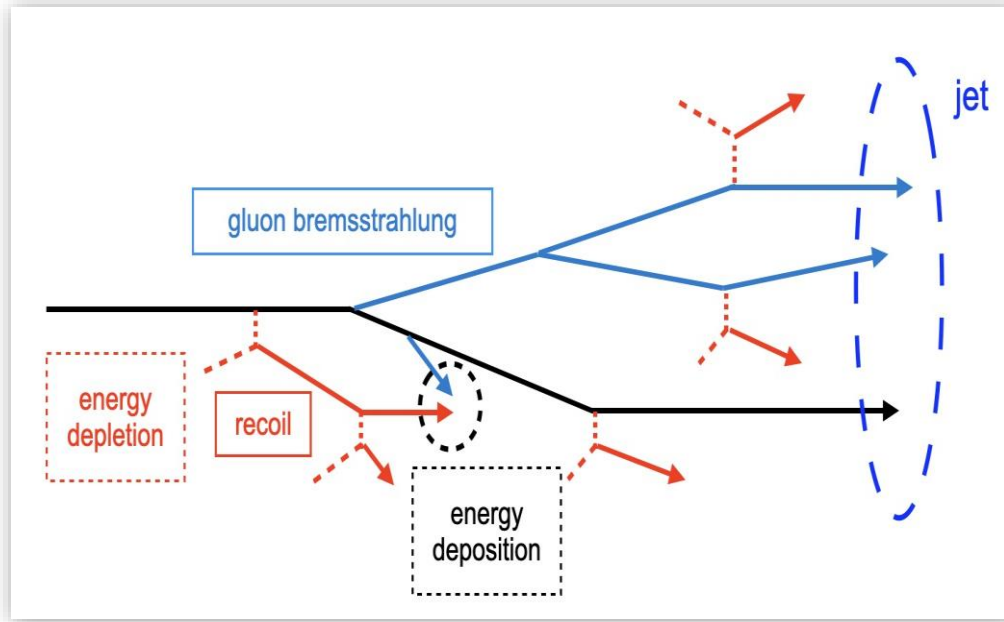
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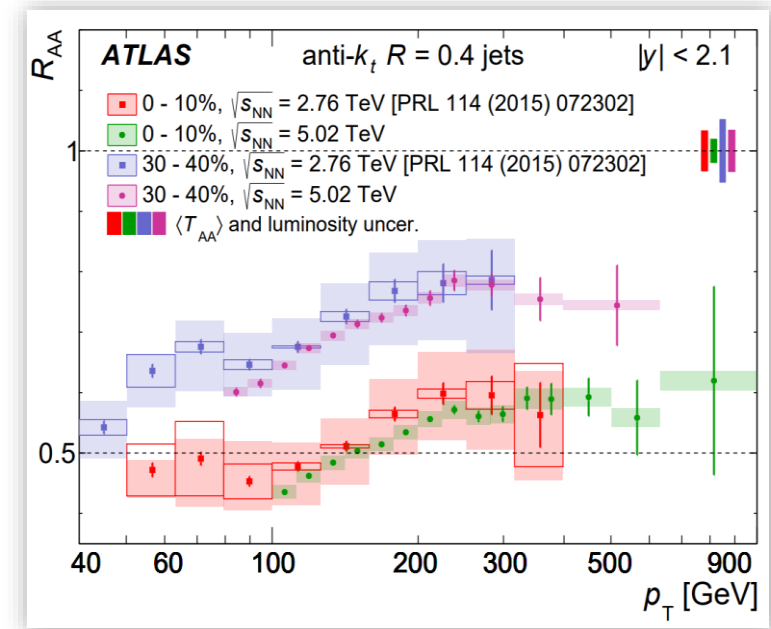
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# Jets in high-energy nuclear collisions



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- ◆ Quark-gluon plasma (QGP) in heavy-ion collisions: **deconfined phase, hot dense medium**
- ◆ Jets are **quenched** in the medium via parton energy loss, serving as **hard probe** to medium properties.

$$R_{AA} = \frac{\text{Spectrum in AA}}{\text{Spectrum in pp}}$$

Jet energy loss from a statistical viewpoint



**Energy loss on a jet-by-jet basis**

# Outline

- Jet Momentum Reconstruction in Heavy-Ion Background
- Extracting Jet Energy Loss on a Jet-by-Jet Basis

# Background Subtraction Methods

## Conventional method in experiments: Area-based method

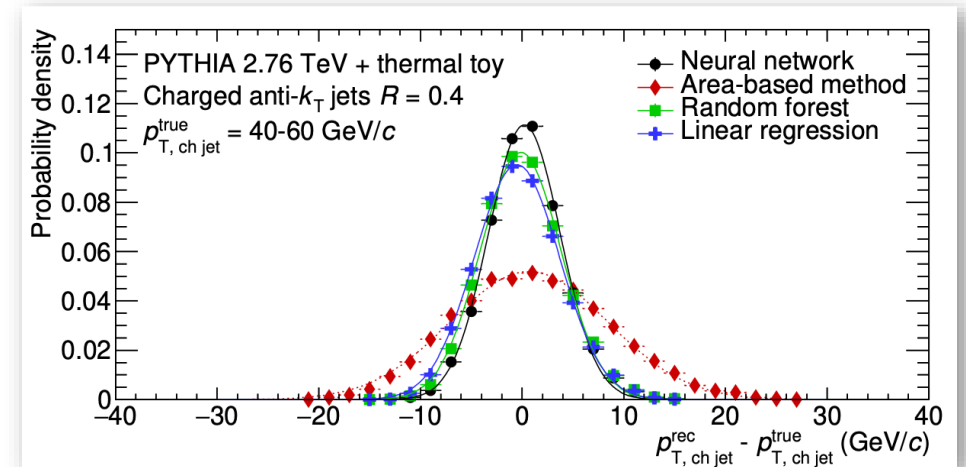
- ◆ Event-by-event basis: background momentum density  $\rho$
- ◆ For each jet: reconstructed jet momentum  $p_T^{rec} = p_T^{raw} - \rho A$ .
- ◆ Leads to large residual fluctuations

## Constituent Subtraction (CS)

- Local subtraction of **soft** background
- Simultaneously correcting the **4-momentum** of the jet and its **substructures**

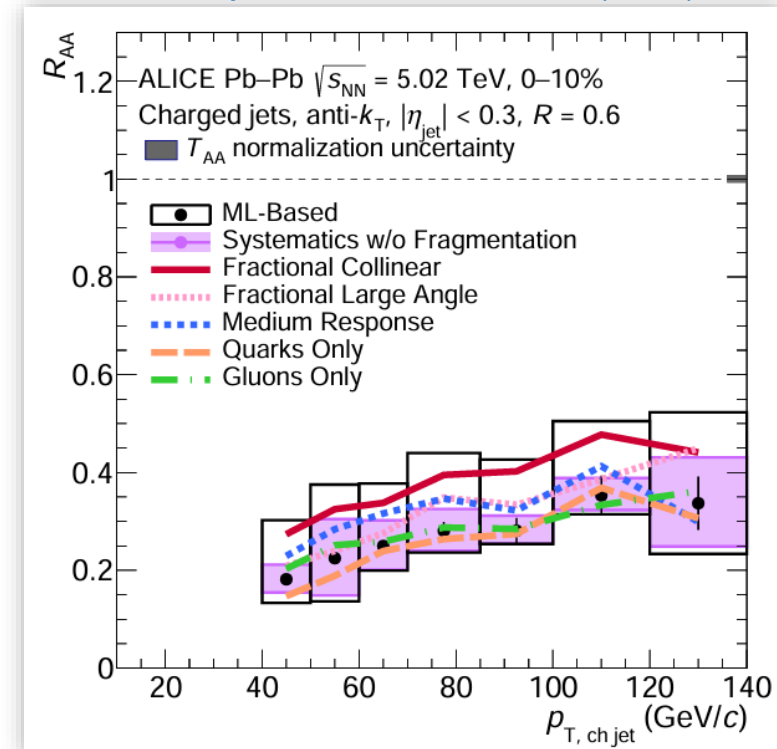
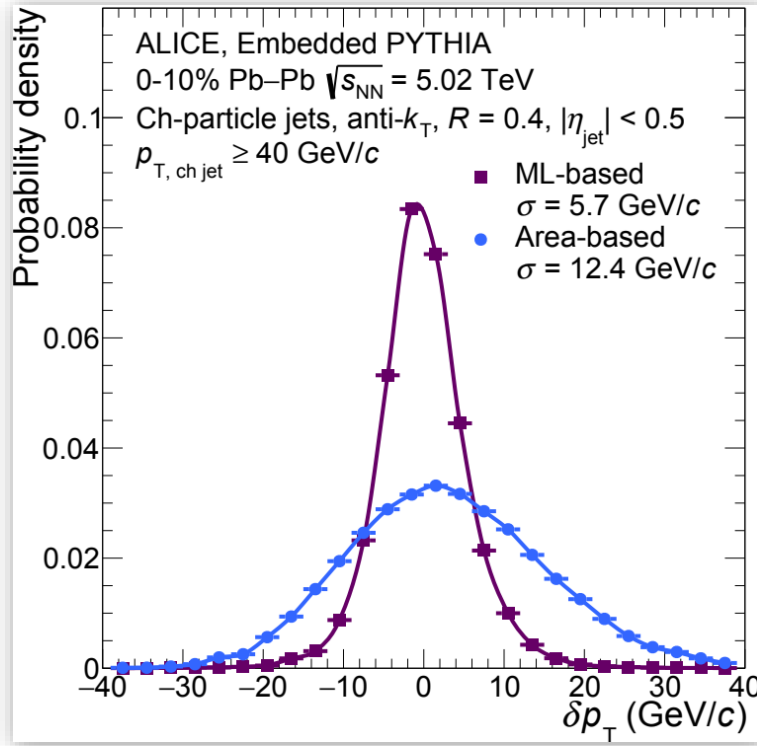
## ML techniques

Neural Network, Linear Regression, Random Forest...



# ML-Based Jet Momentum Reconstruction in ALICE

Acharya S, Adamova D, Adler A, et al.  
Phys. Lett. B, 849, 138412(2024).



- ◆ ML method shows more precise estimate for low  $p_T$  jets
- ◆ Avoid fragmentation bias in  $R_{AA}$  by separate training with Pythia jets and their variants
- ◆ How about performance of this pythia-trained model on quenched jets?

# Data generation: PYTHIA8 + LBT

- ◆ Vacuum jets: PYTHIA8
- ◆ Jet interaction with QGP: **L**inear **B**oltzmann **T**ransport model
- ◆ PbPb collisions in 0-10% centrality at  $\sqrt{S} = 5.02 TeV$ .
- ◆ QGP background: a toy thermal model
- ◆ Reconstructed jets with anti- $k_T$ ,  $R=0.4$

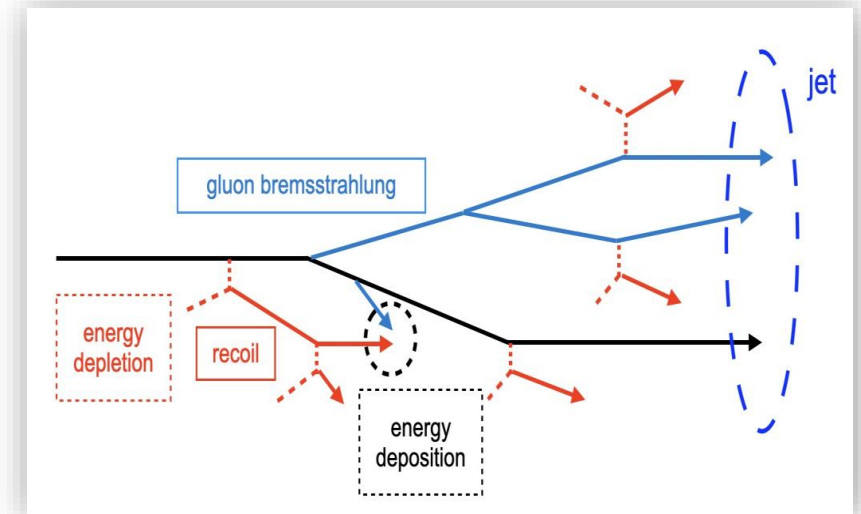
**Target output:** jet true  $p_T$

Sum of the **jet particle  $p_T$  in cone**, in the presence of background particles.

## Jet observables Input:

- the uncorrected jet momentum,
- the jet transverse momentum, corrected by the area-based method,
- jet mass, radial moment, momentum dispersion, and LeSub,
- the number of constituents within the jet,
- mean and median of all constituent transverse momenta,
- the transverse momenta of the first ten leading.

**LBT**



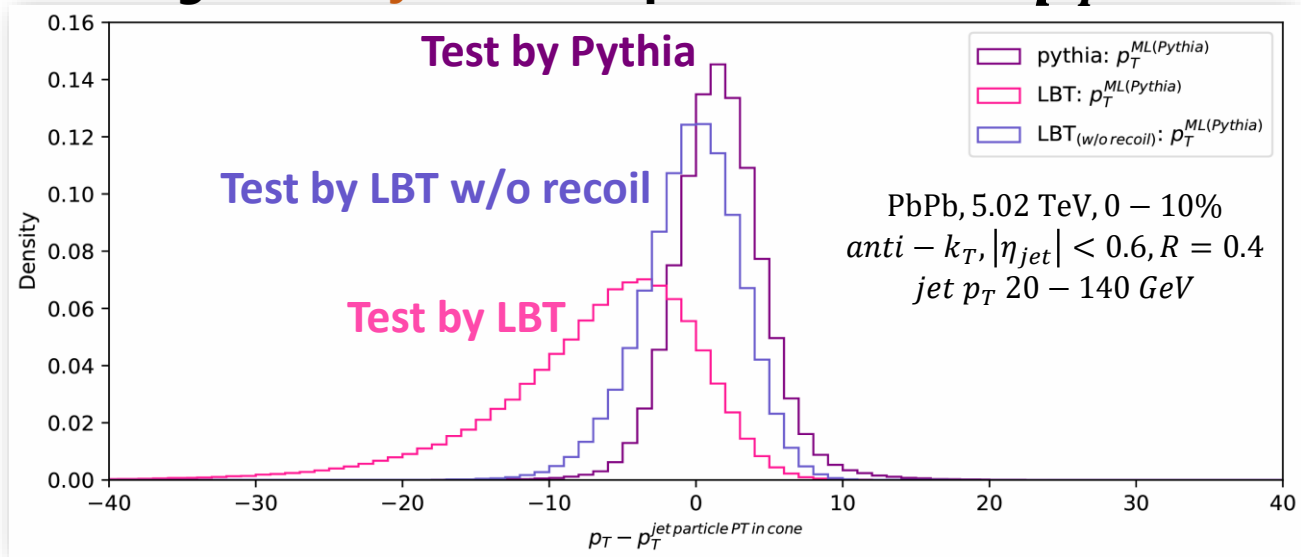
## Background

- ◆ Following Boltzmann distribution

	$\pi^+ + \pi^-$	
Centrality	$dN/dy$	$\langle p_T \rangle$
0-5%	1699.80	0.5682 GeV

# Performance

Training data: **Pythia** Output: Jet Particle  $p_T$  in cone



◆ When trained on PYTHIA jets, the ML model shows a prediction bias when applied to LBT jets.

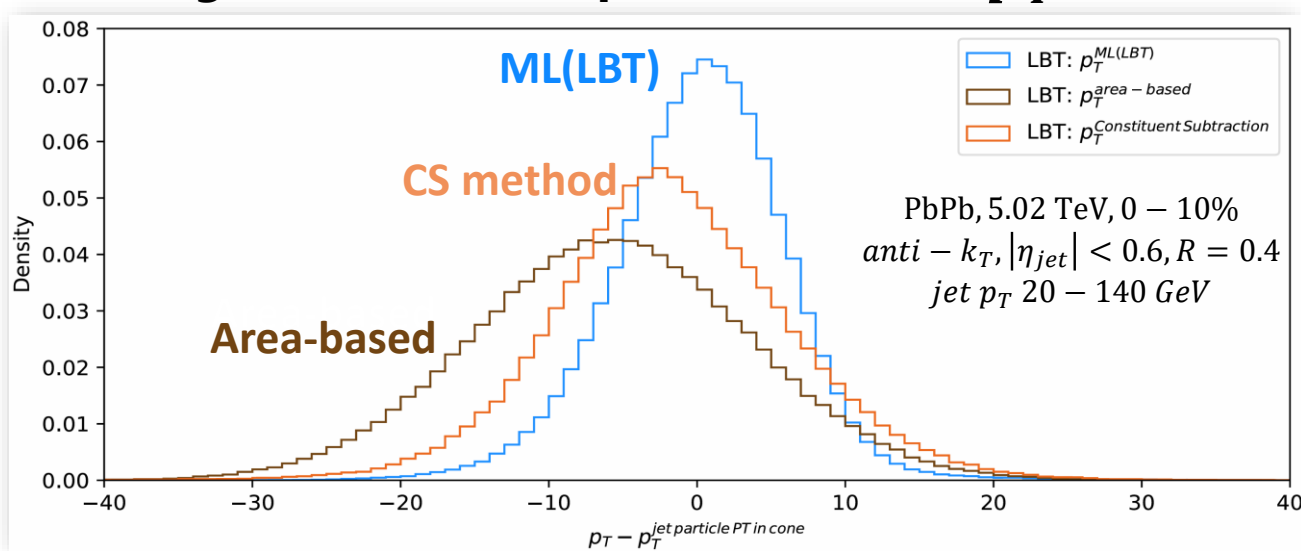
◆ ML may consider the recoil particles as background.

-recoil particle: a particle excited from the medium after colliding with a jet particle

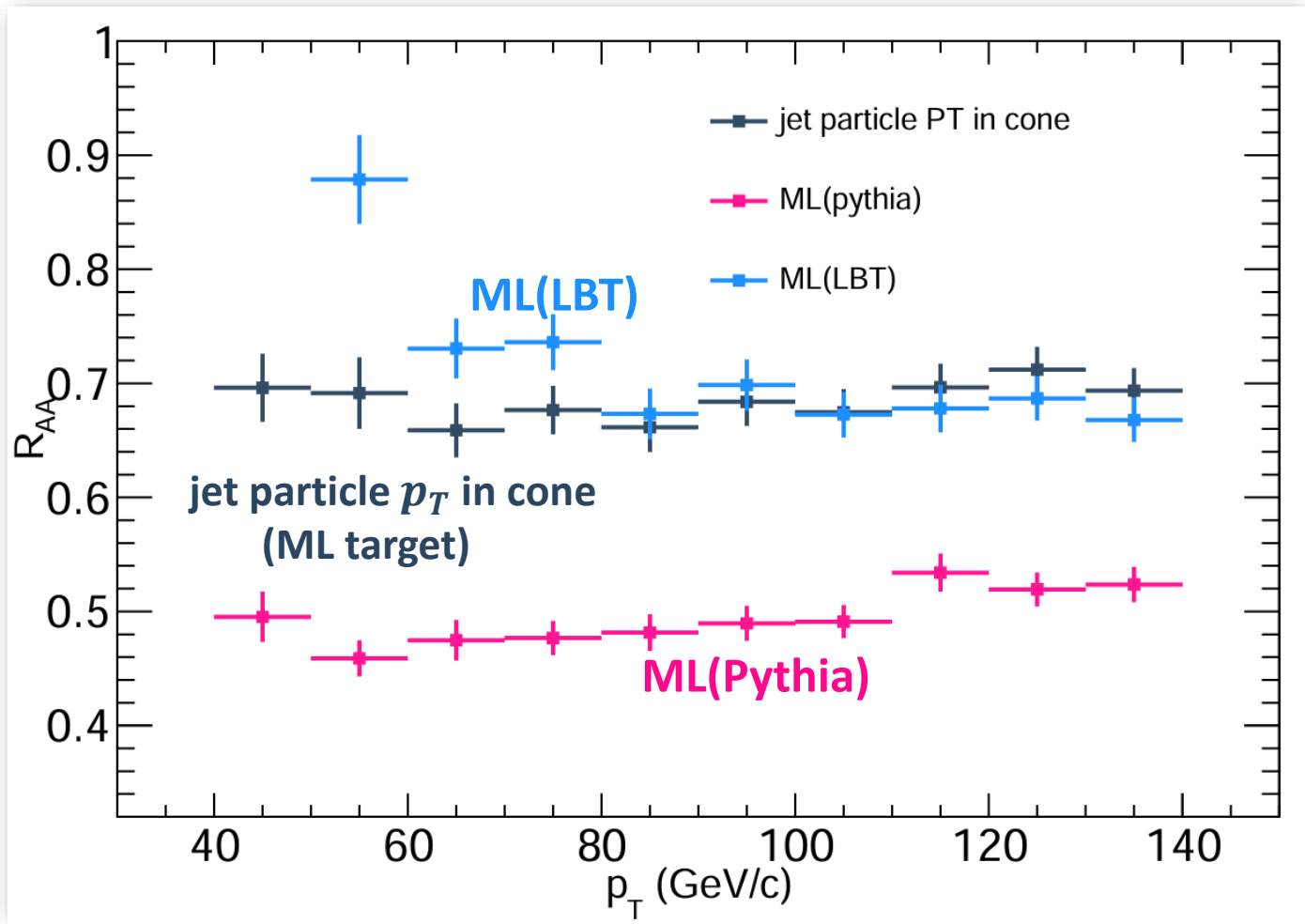
◆ Prediction bias is significantly reduced when the ML model is trained on LBT jets

◆ Better than conventional methods

Training data: **LBT** Output: Jet Particle  $p_T$  in cone



# Nuclear Modification Factor $R_{AA}$

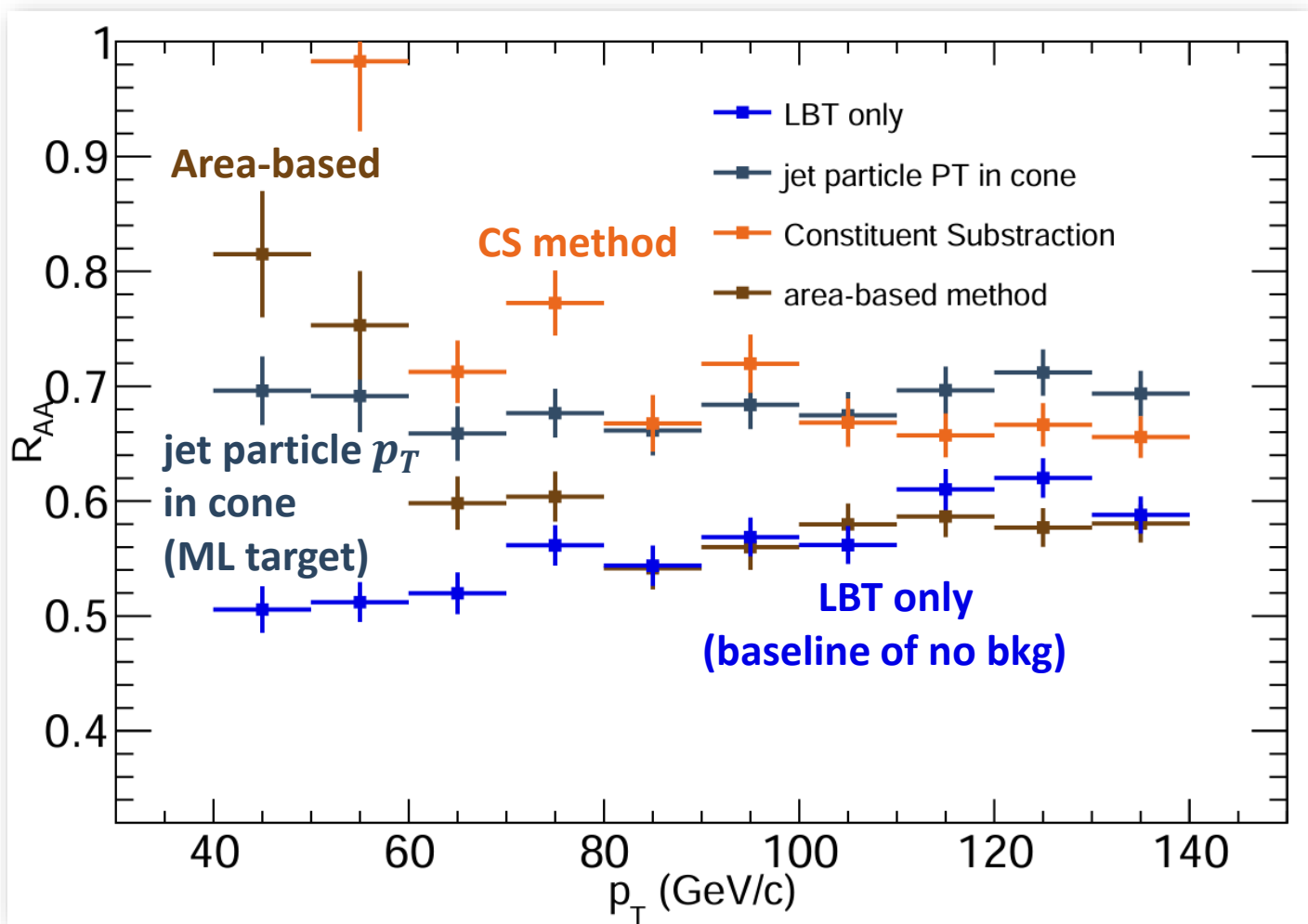


$$R_{AA} = \frac{\text{Spectrum in AA}}{\text{Spectrum in pp}}$$

- ◆  $R_{AA}$  with ML(LBT) is much closer to that of “jet particle  $p_T$  in cone” than ML(Pythia).



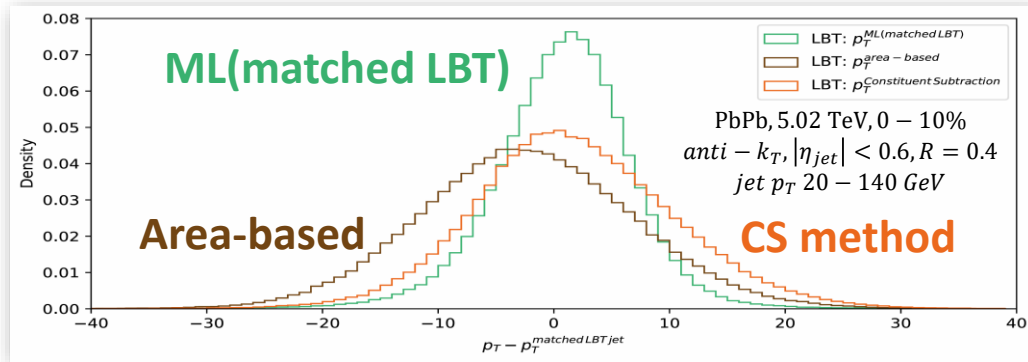
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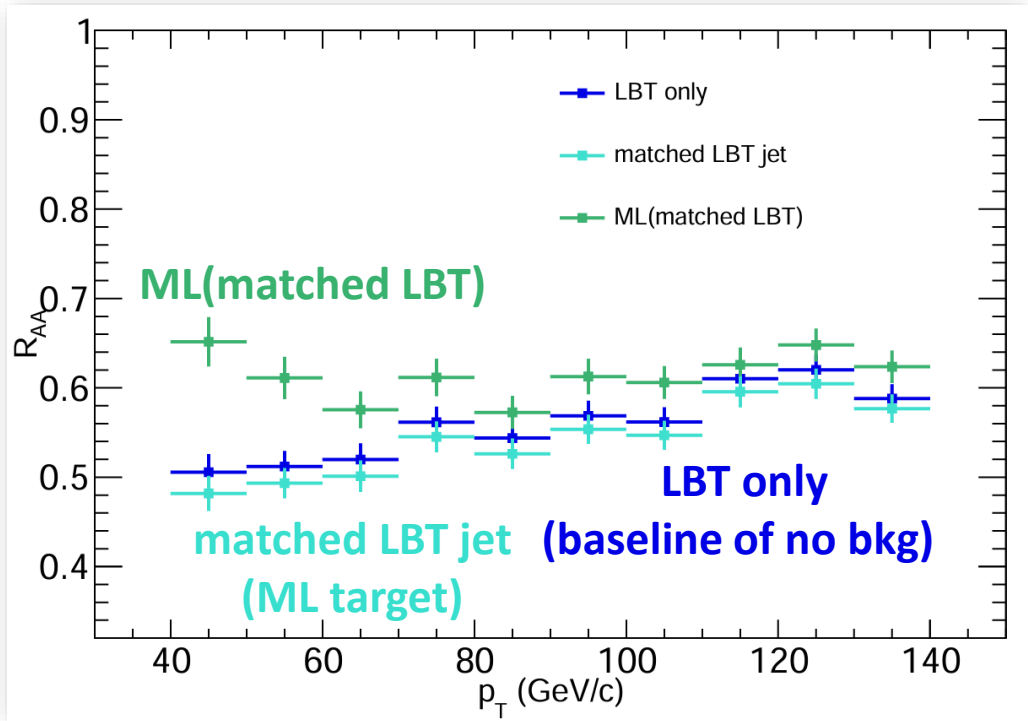
- ◆ **Area-based**: underestimates the  $R_{AA}$  in comparison with that of “jet particle  $p_T$  in cone”
- ◆ **CS method**: agrees with  $R_{AA}$  of “jet particle  $p_T$  in cone” down to 70 GeV
- ◆ Discrepancy between the ML target output and baseline of LBT-generated jets without background particles (LBT only)

# Matching with LBT-only jets

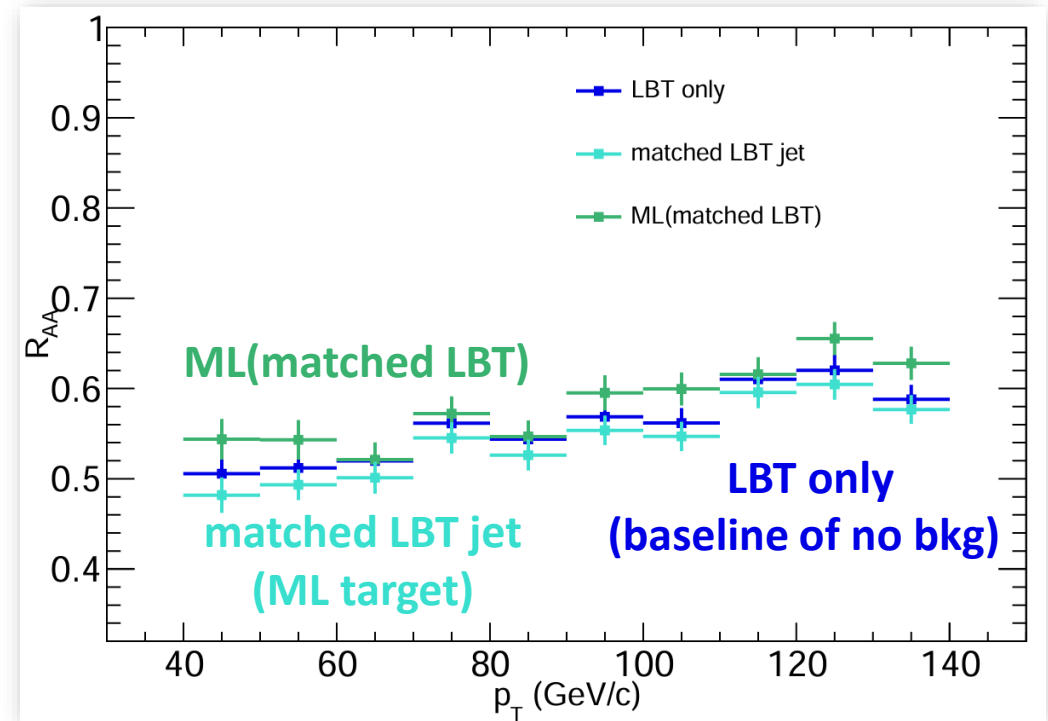
Training data : LBT Output: Matched  $p_T$



Drop fake jets in training



Set fake jets  $p_T$  as 0 in training

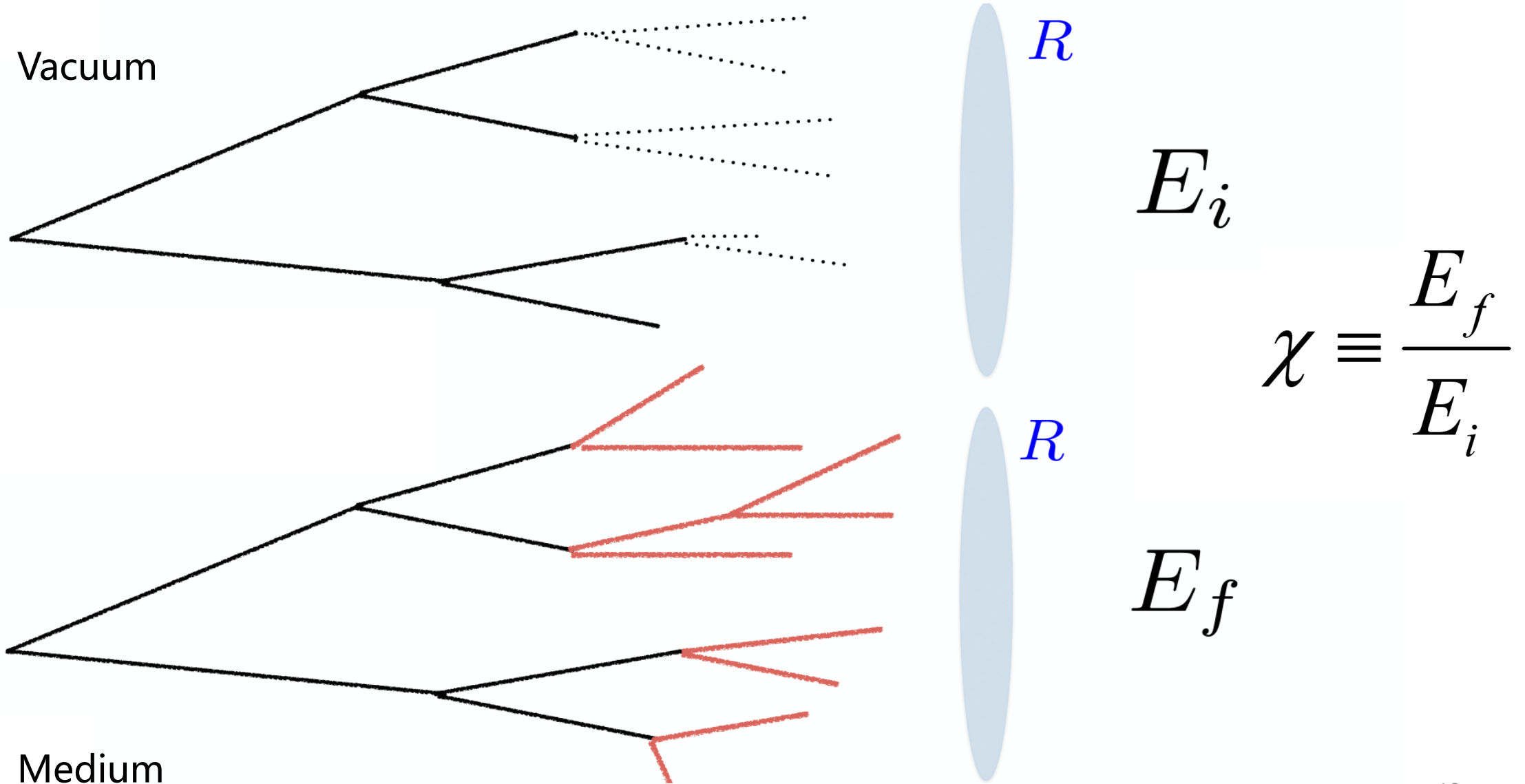


- ◆ Matching the jets clustered from LBT particles w/ and w/o background particles.
- ◆ Matching criteria:  $\Delta\theta < 0.4$
- ◆ Target output (Matched  $p_T$ ): the  $p_T$  of matched LBT-only jet

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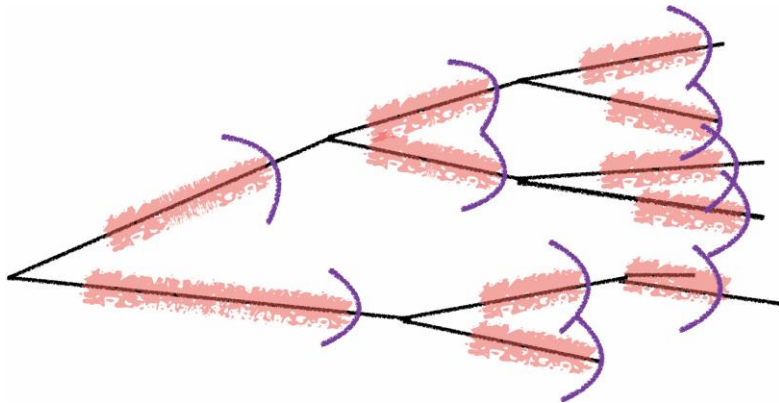
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# Define the Energy Loss Ratio



# Previous work

## hybrid strong/weak coupling model



Testing on a different quenching model

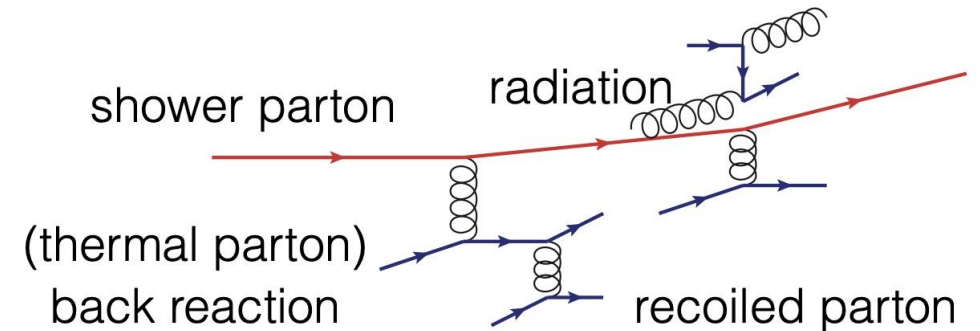


**Only jet particles**

More applicable in experiments



## Linear Boltzmann Transport model



## Introduce & Subtract background

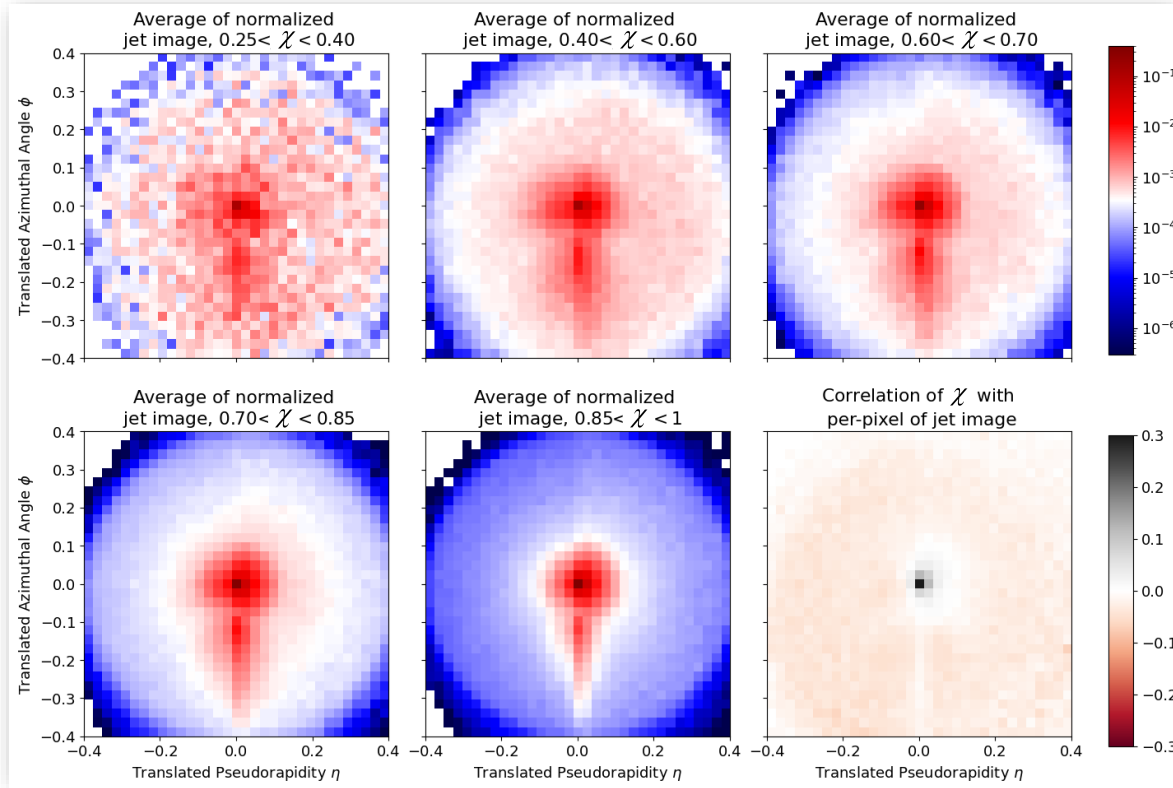
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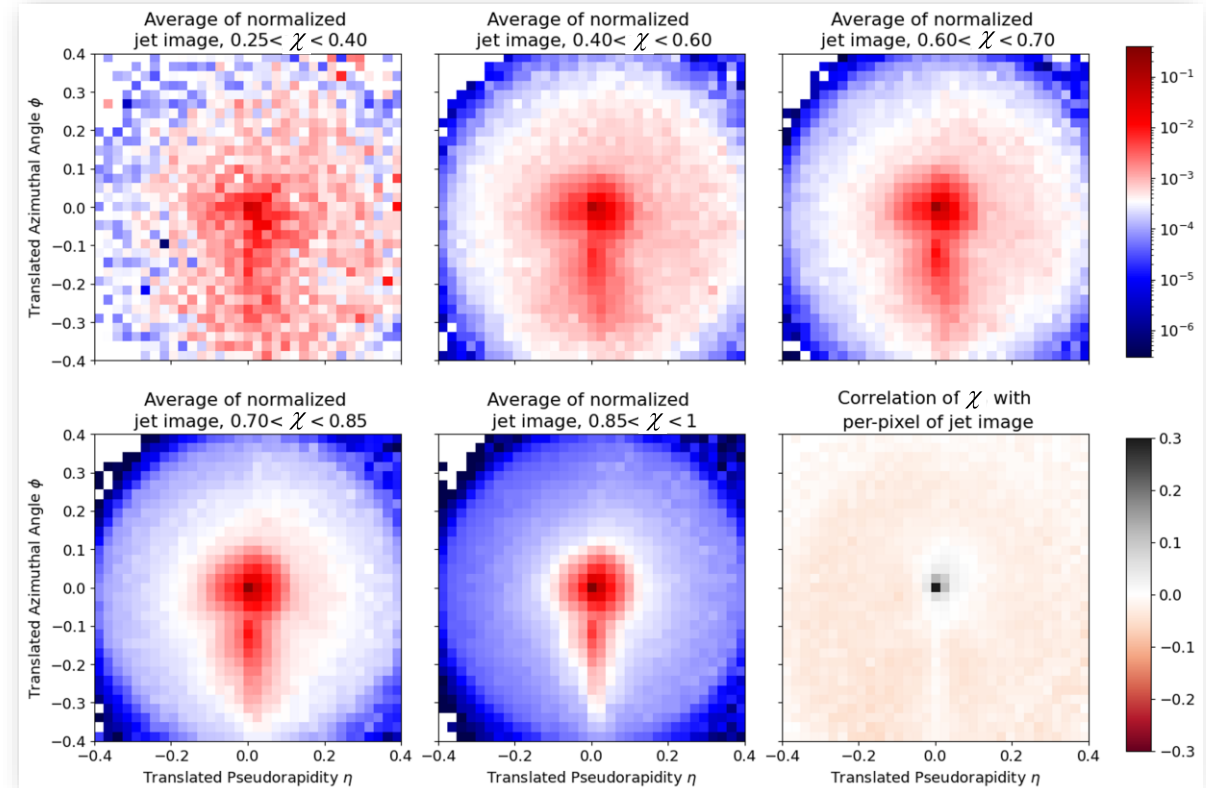
- ◆ Constituent Subtraction

# Jet image and pre-processing

## Without Background



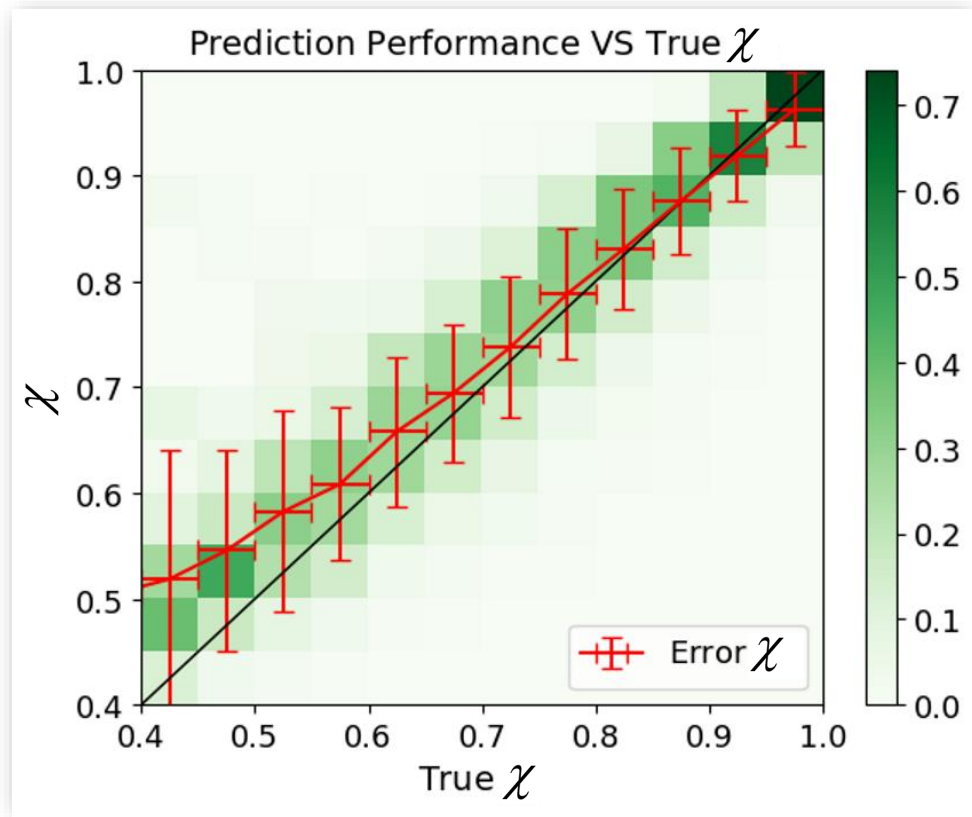
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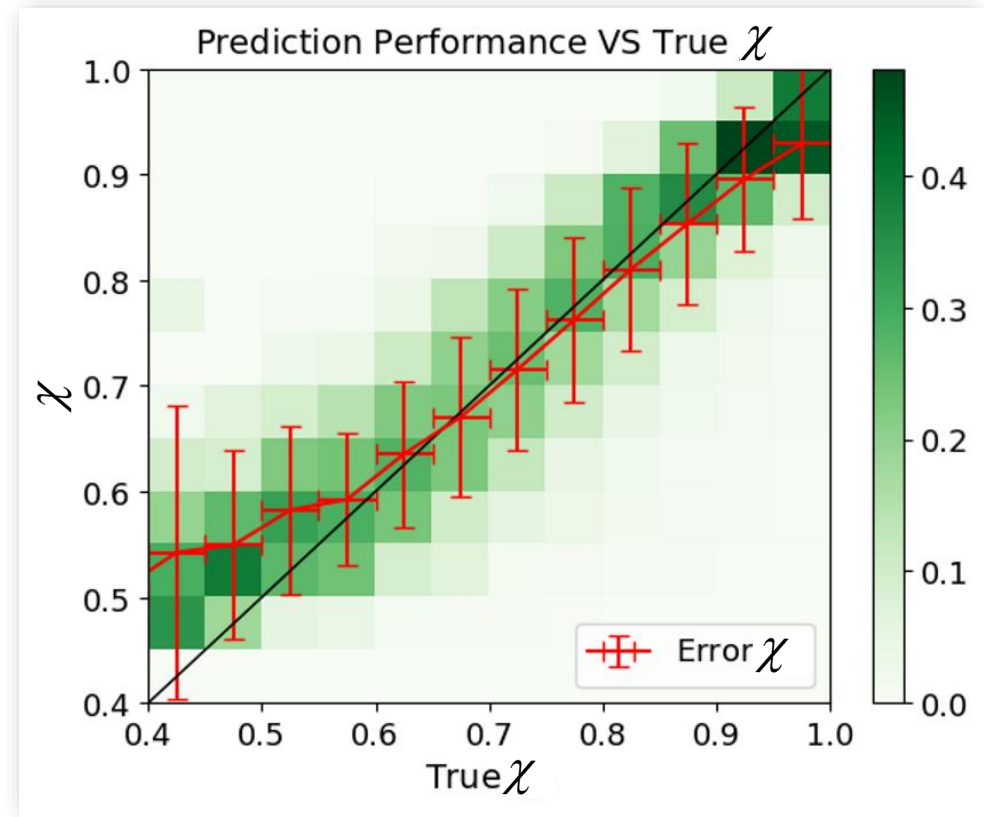
- ◆ With constituent subtraction, jet images largely revert to their original patterns, free from background interference.
- ◆ Jet quenching increases the number of **soft particles at large angles**.

# Prediction performance

## Without Background



## Introduce & Subtract Background



- ◆ Well predicted for a wide range of  $\chi$
- ◆ Slightly decreases when introducing background

# Summary

- ◆ Machine learning method provides a more precise estimate for the jet momentum by training with the **quenched jets**.
- ◆ By training with **matched jets**, we can obtain  $R_{AA}$  more accurately.
- ◆ CNN can effectively extract energy loss ratio jet-by-jet from jet image **in the presence of QGP background**.
- ◆ Machine learning is applicable to **more realistic environment**.

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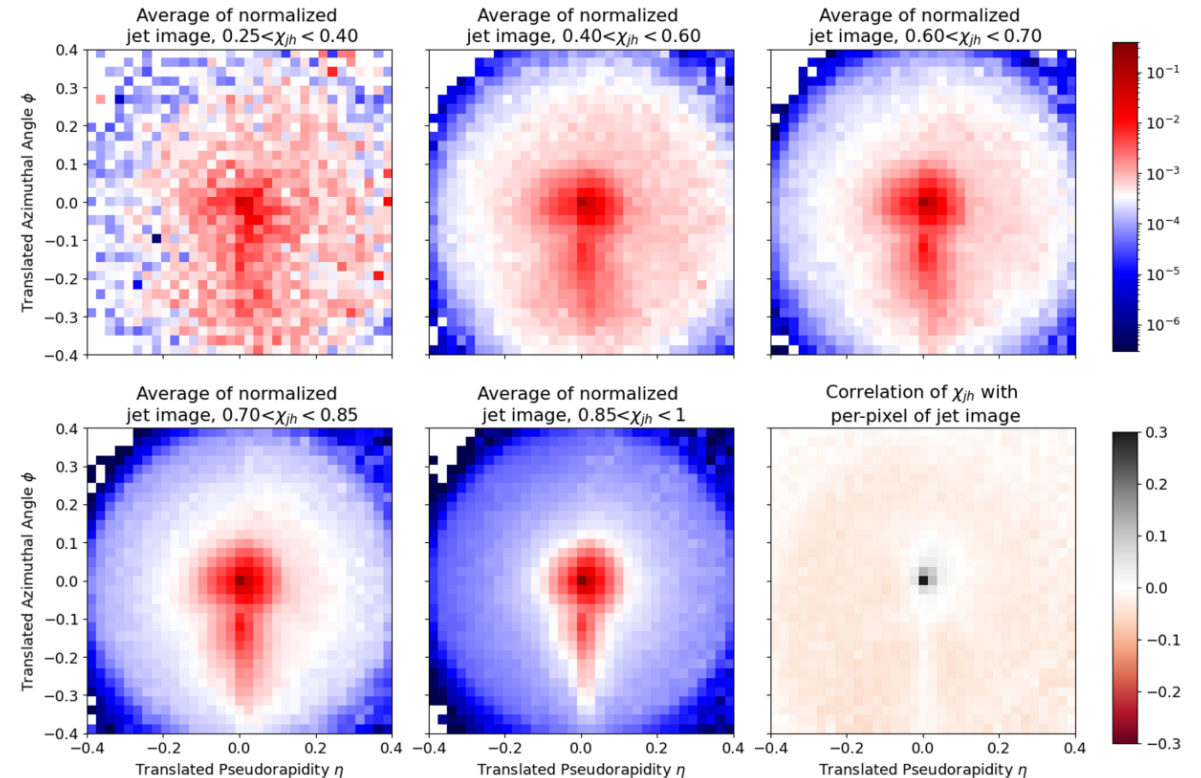




Back up

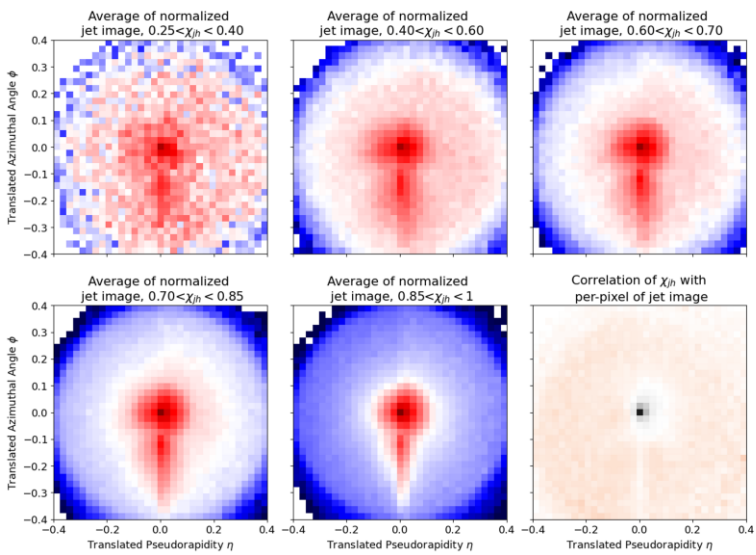
# Jet image and pre-processing

- The total  $p_T$  of jet constituents deposited in the **pixel of  $(\eta, \varphi)$  space** with 33  $\eta$ -bins and 33  $\varphi$ -bins.
- **Translation**: the hardest groomed subjet is at  $(\eta, \varphi) = (0, 0)$ .
- **Rotation**: the second hardest groomed subjet is at  $-\pi/2$ .
- aligning the **first principal component** of pixel intensity distribution along the vertical axis.
- Parity flip: right side of jet image has a larger pixel intensity sum

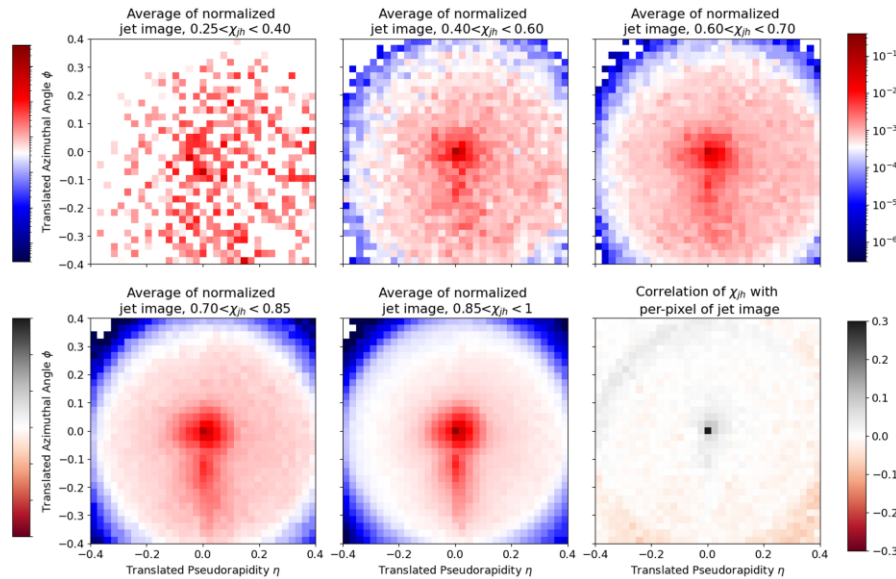


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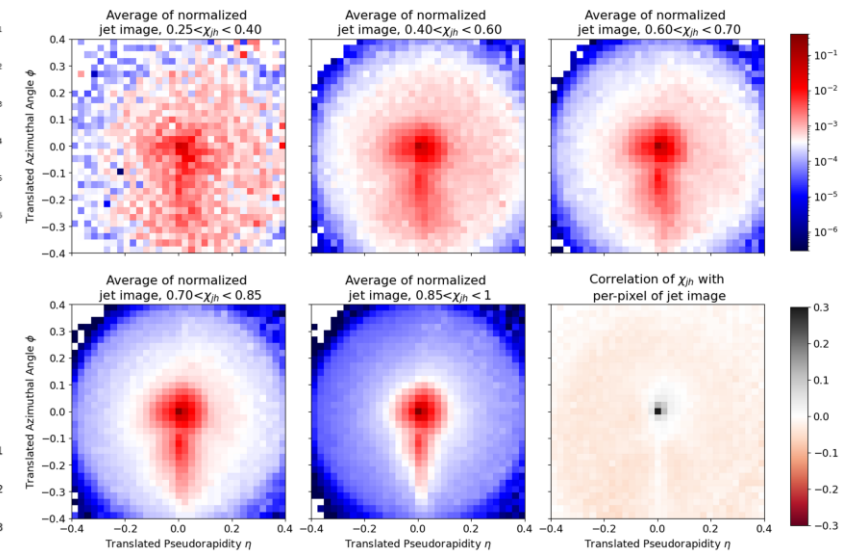
## No background



## Background w/o subtraction



## Introduce Background & subtract



# Convolutional Neural Network (CNN)

