

# Search for the diffusion wake via measurements of jet-track correlations with the ATLAS collaboration

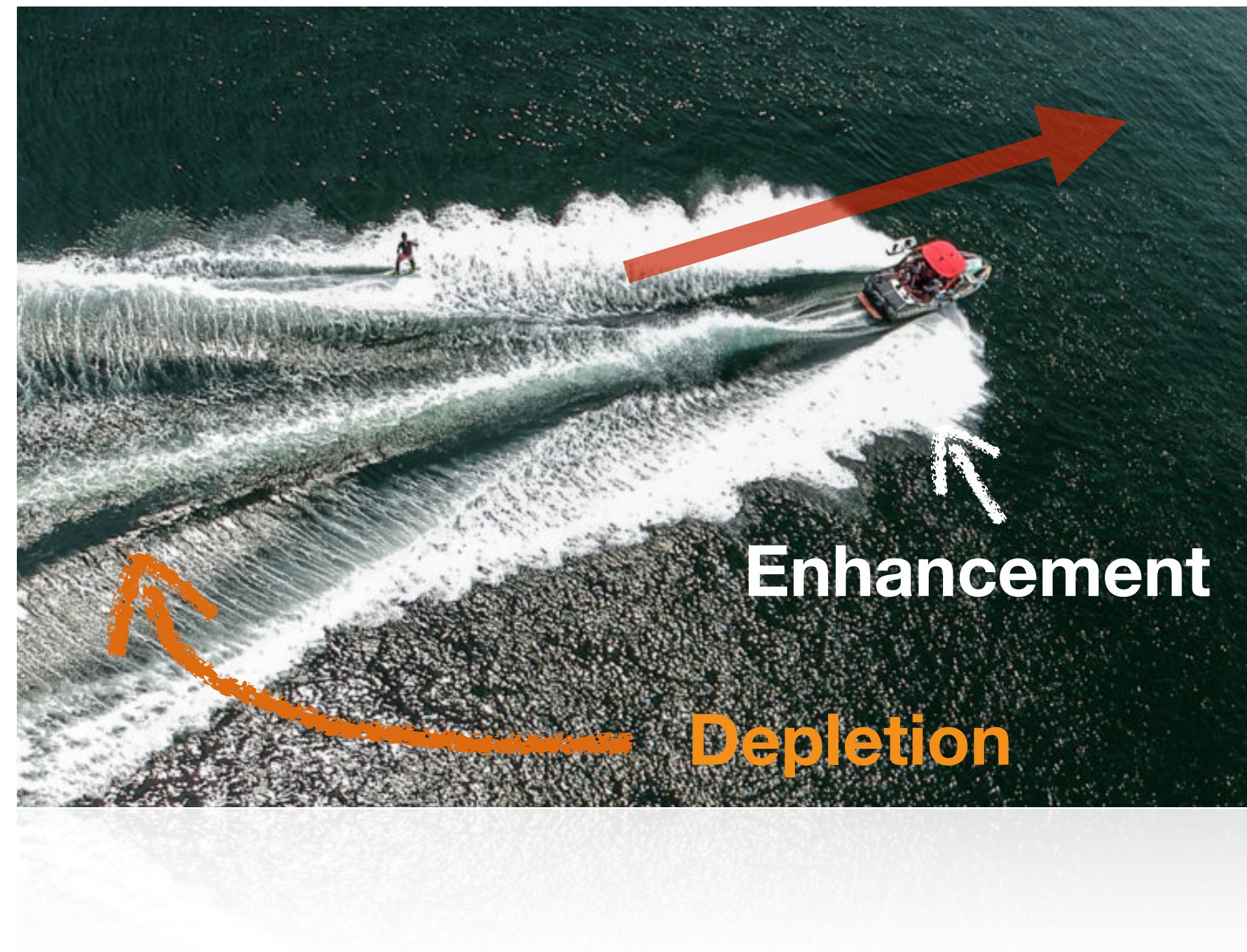
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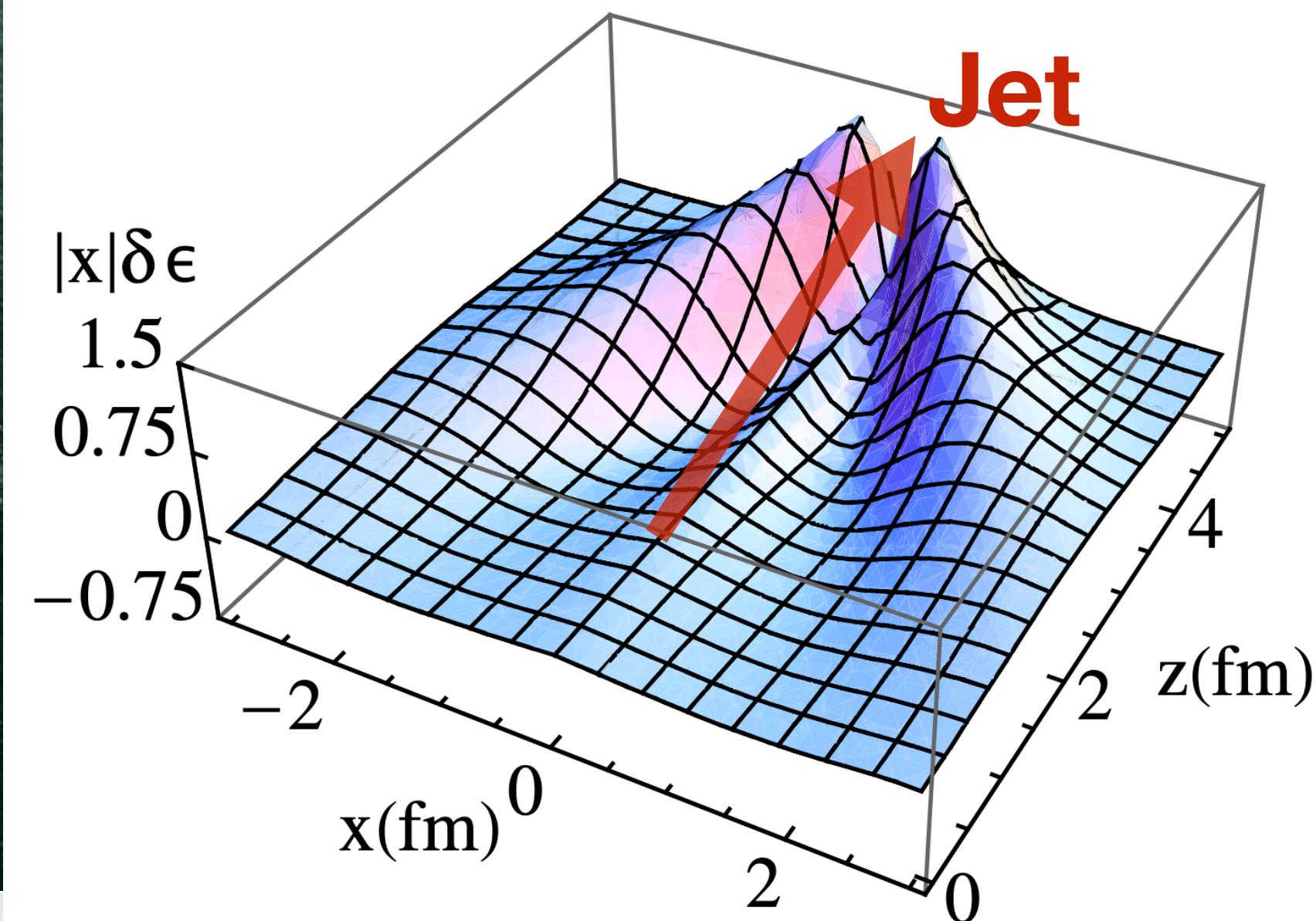
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# Medium response induced by jets



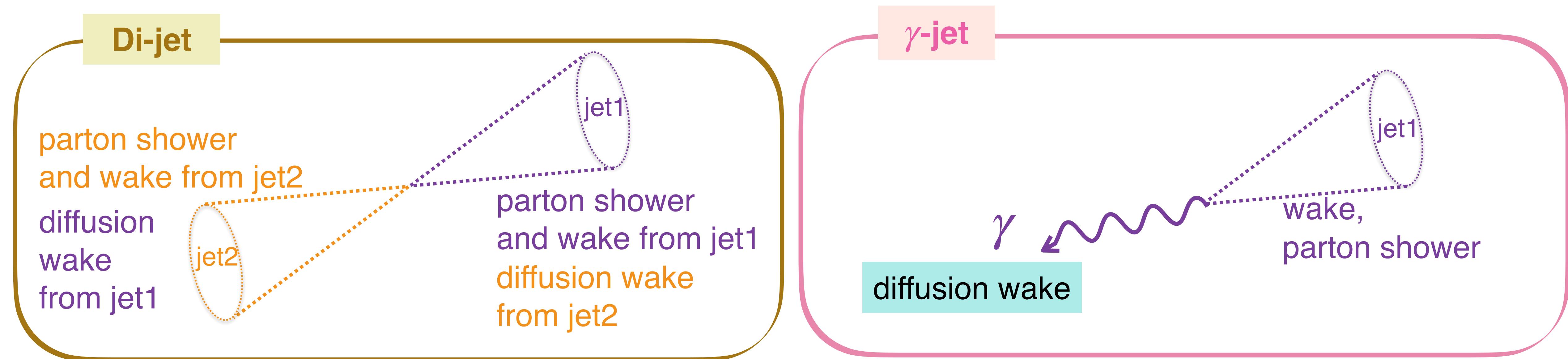
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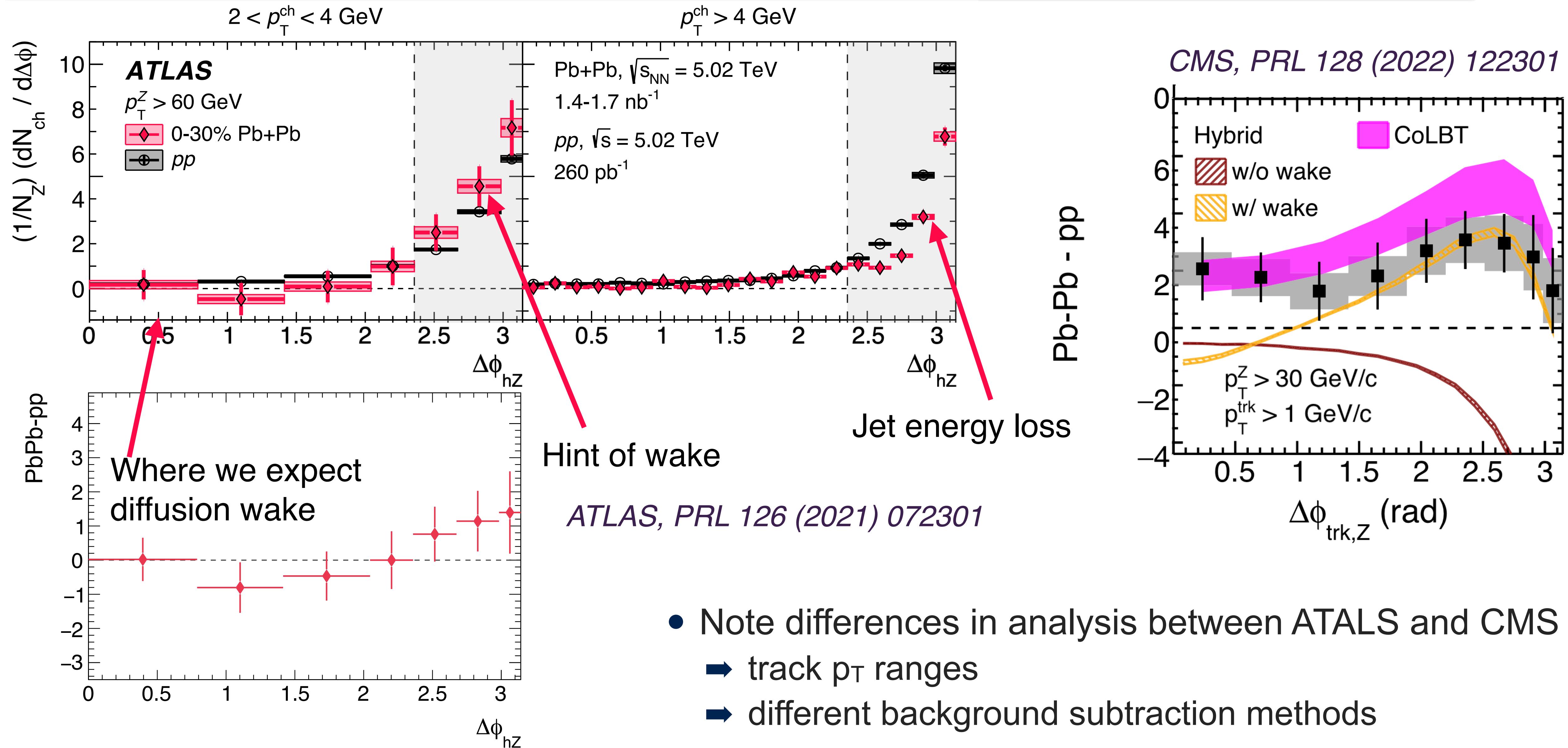
- When a high- $p_T$  parton loses energy in medium, the energy may be transferred to the medium
- Typical structure of *medium response*;
  - **enhancement** in the jet direction, called e.g. **wake**
  - **depletion** in the opposite jet direction, called e.g. **diffusion wake**

# Diffusion wake using $\gamma$ -jets

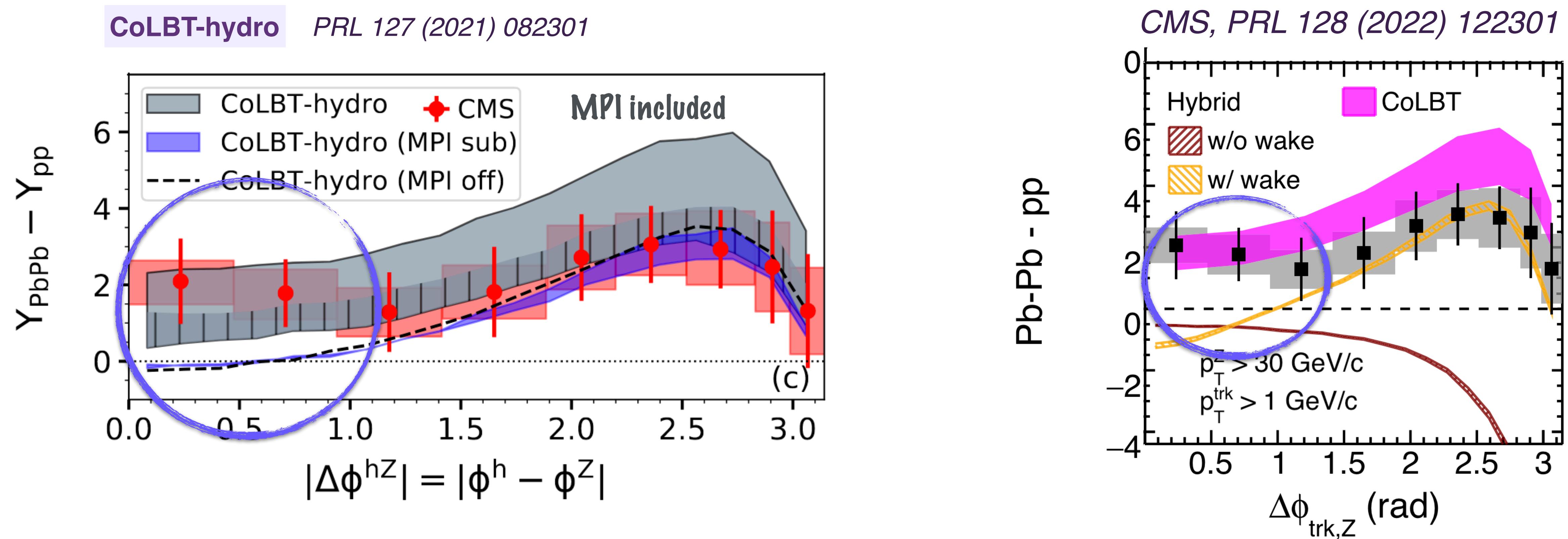
- Diffusion wake (depletion) in **boson-jet** events;
  - unlike **di-jet** events, a jet associated with a boson e.g. photon is **NOT** contaminated by in-medium parton shower modification or **wake** caused by the other jet in the opposite direction



# Previous measurements of Z-hadron correlations



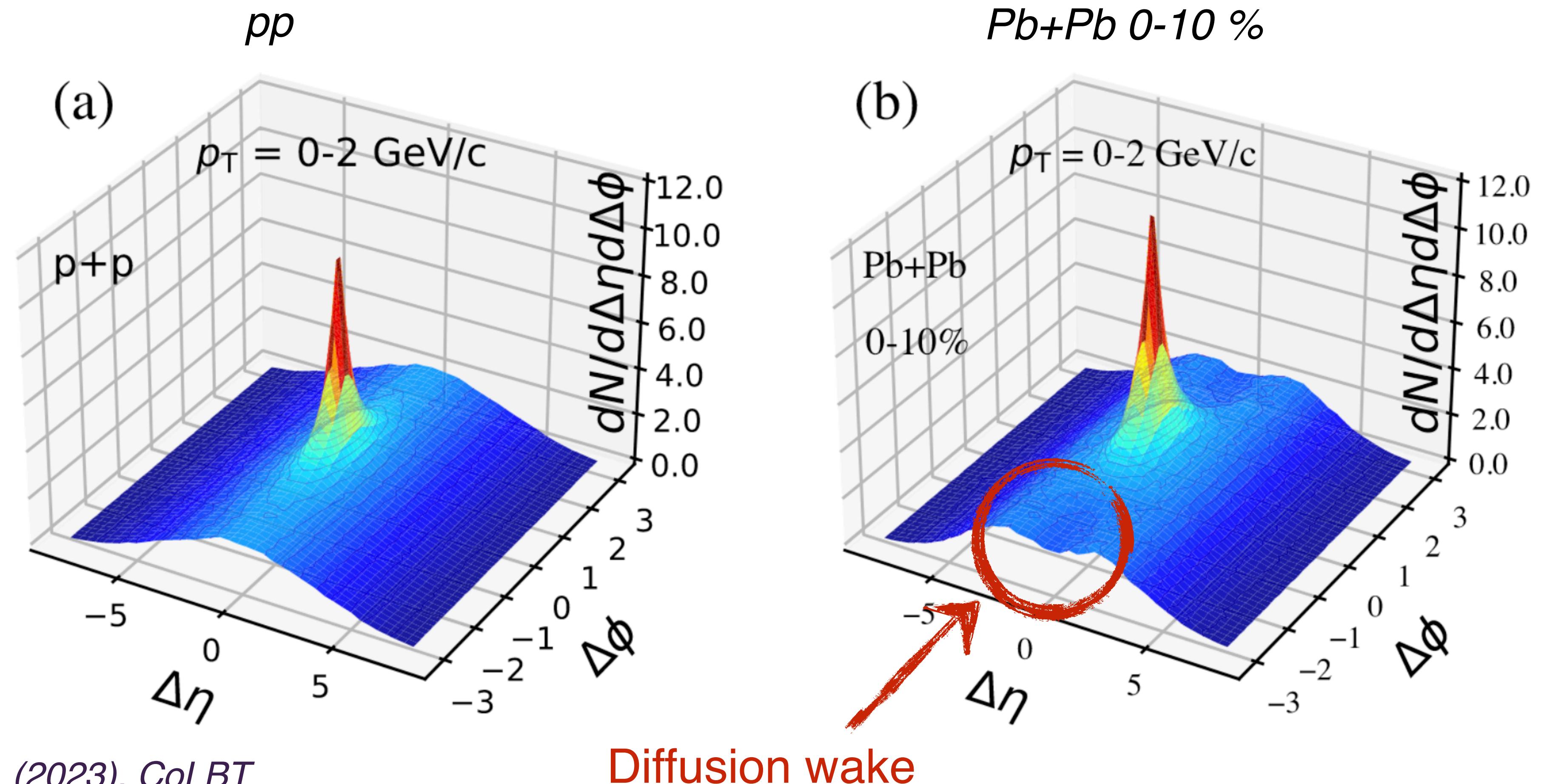
# Previous measurements of Z-hadron correlations



- Particle enhancement at  $\Delta\phi(\text{trk}, Z) \sim 0$  in the previous CMS Z-hadron correlation measurement is explained by **MPI effect** by CoLBT

# 3D jet-hadron angular correlations

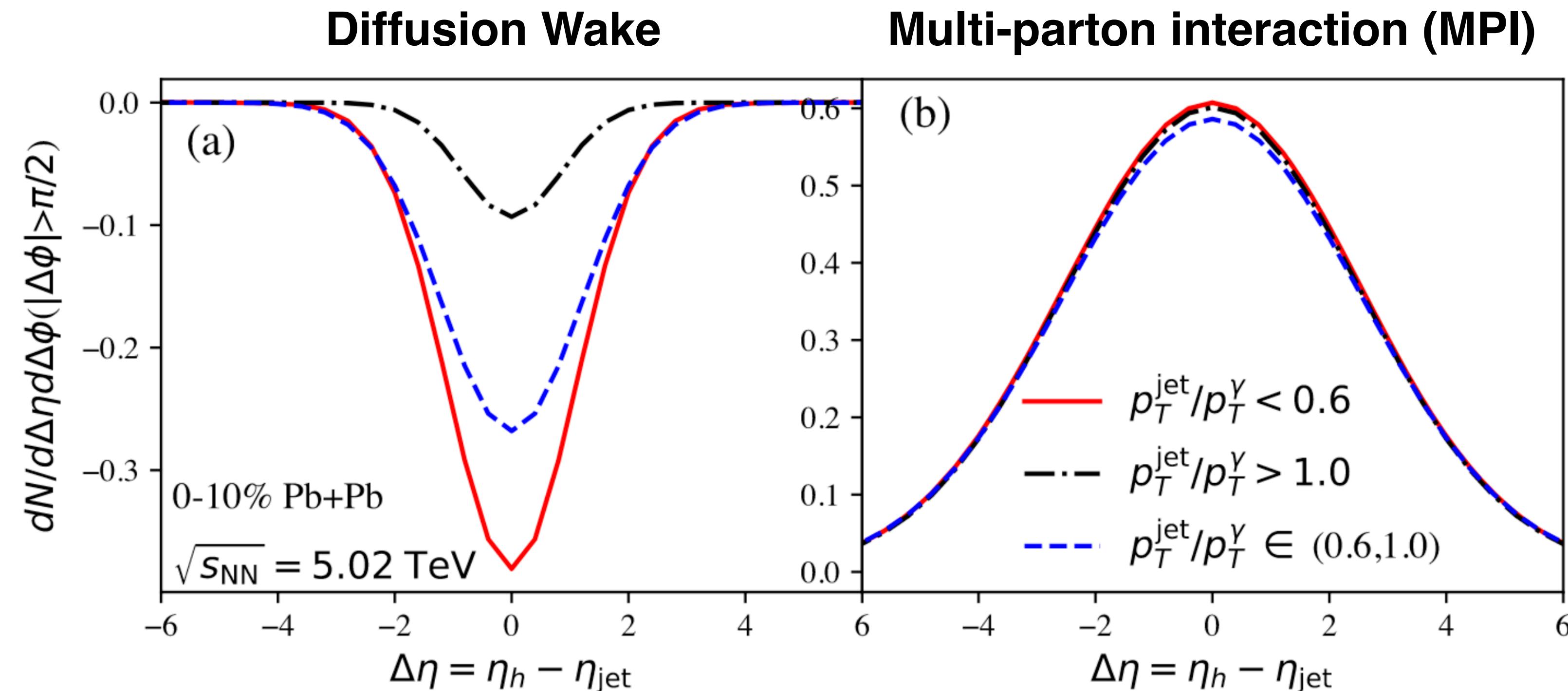
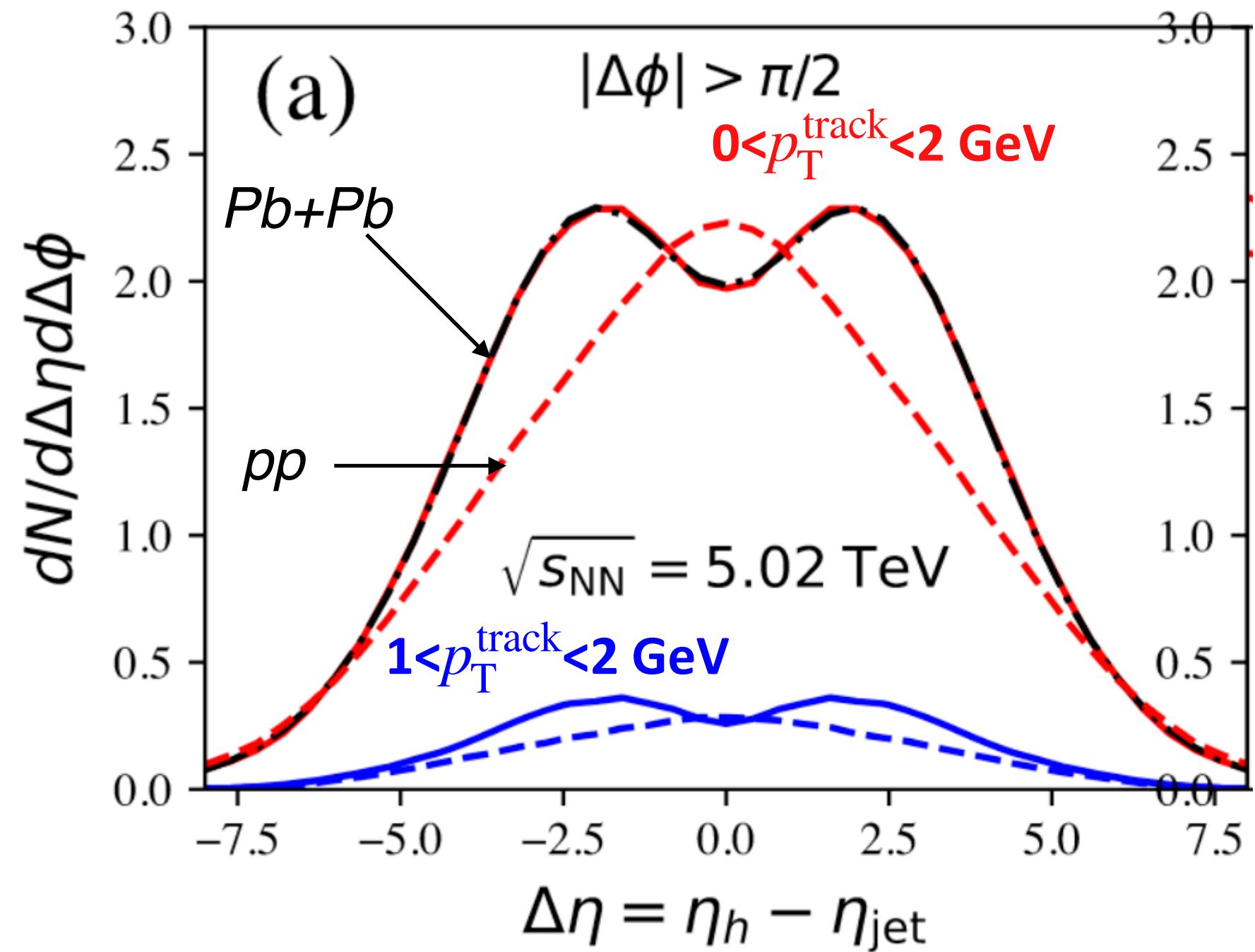
- Jet-hadron angular correlations **not only in  $\phi$  but also in  $\eta$**  to distinguish the **diffusion wake** from MPI



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# Diffusion wake: dependence on jet energy loss

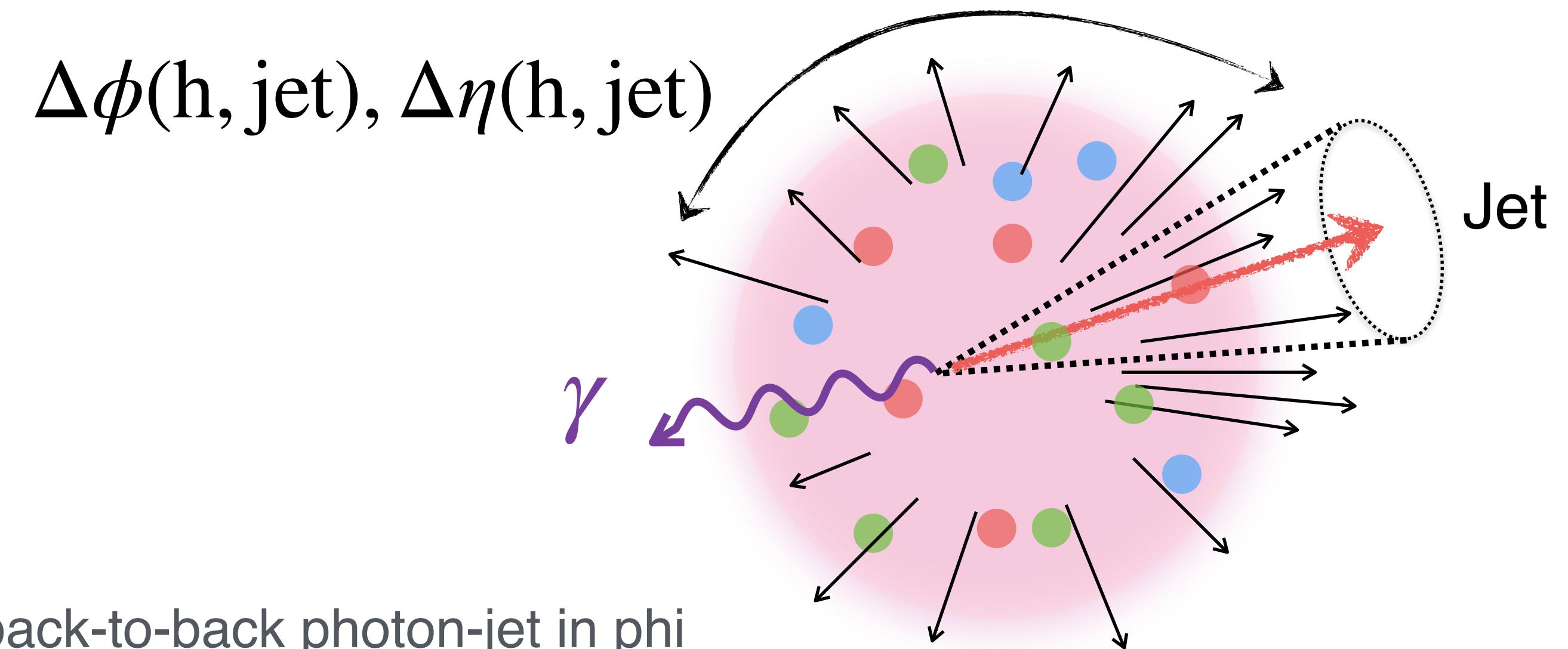
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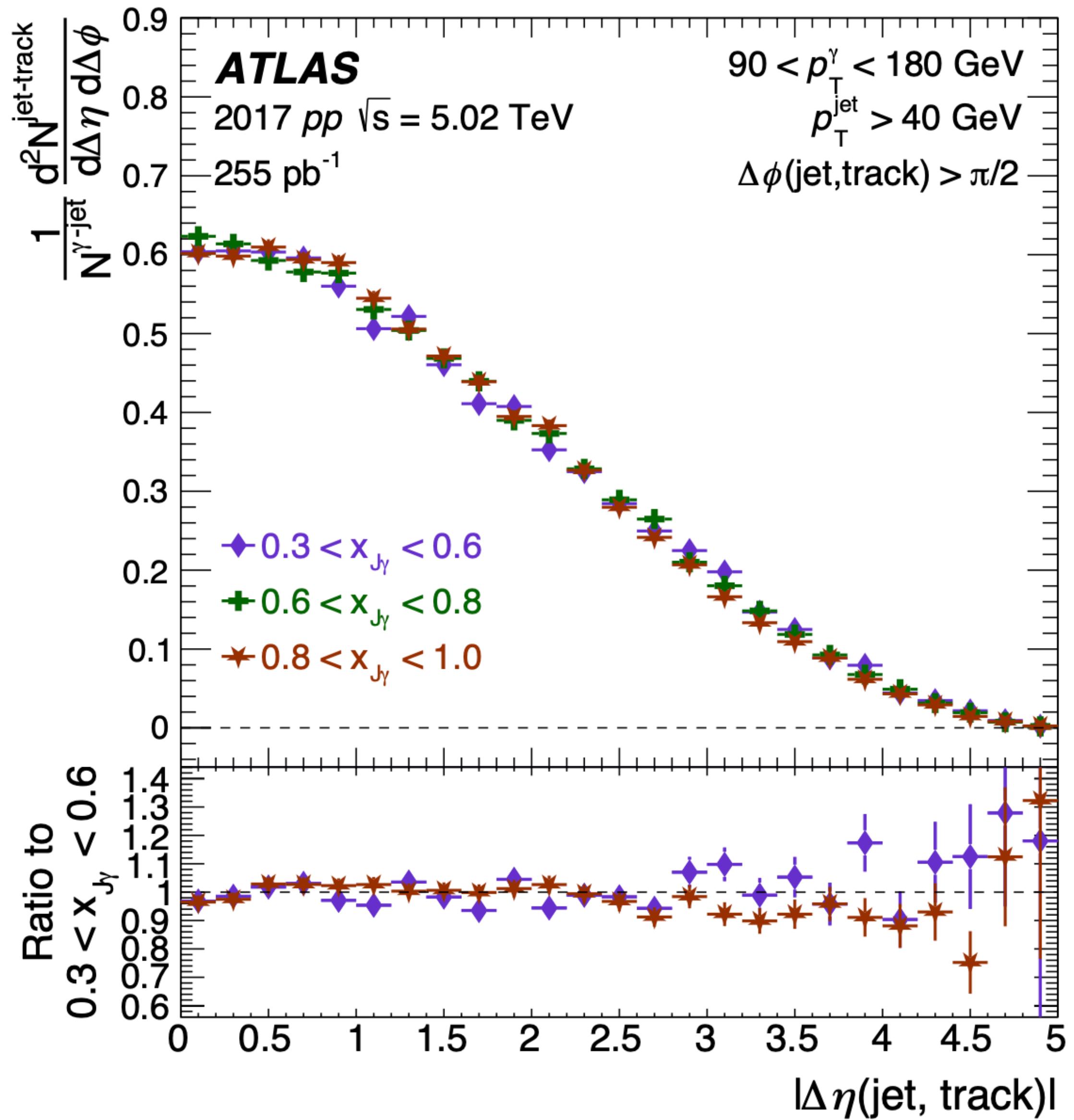
- Smaller  $x_{J\gamma} = p_T^{\text{jet}}/p_T^\gamma$  indicates larger jet energy loss and longer path through the medium and hence larger medium response i.e., diffusion wake
- However, the MPI signal has no significant dependence on the  $x_{J\gamma}$ , while the diffusion wake does

# Analysis selections

- Centrality 0-10%
- *Photons*
  - 90-180 GeV and  $|\eta| < 2.37$
  - only leading prompt Isolated photons  
(direct+fragmentation photons)
- *Jets*
  - $p_T > 40$  GeV and  $|\eta| < 2.5$
  - only leading jets in  $\Delta\phi(\gamma, \text{jet}) > 3\pi/4$  → back-to-back photon-jet in phi
- *Tracks*
  - 0.5-2 GeV and  $|\eta| < 2.5$  → low- $p_T$  tracks; sensitive to the medium response
  - $\Delta\phi(\text{jet}, \text{track}) > \pi/2$  → in the opposite hemisphere from jet
- Three  $x_{J\gamma}$  regions:  $0.3 < x_{J\gamma} < 0.6$ ,  $0.6 < x_{J\gamma} < 0.8$  and  $0.8 < x_{J\gamma} < 1.0$ 
  - ↑ larger jet energy loss
  - ↑ less jet energy loss

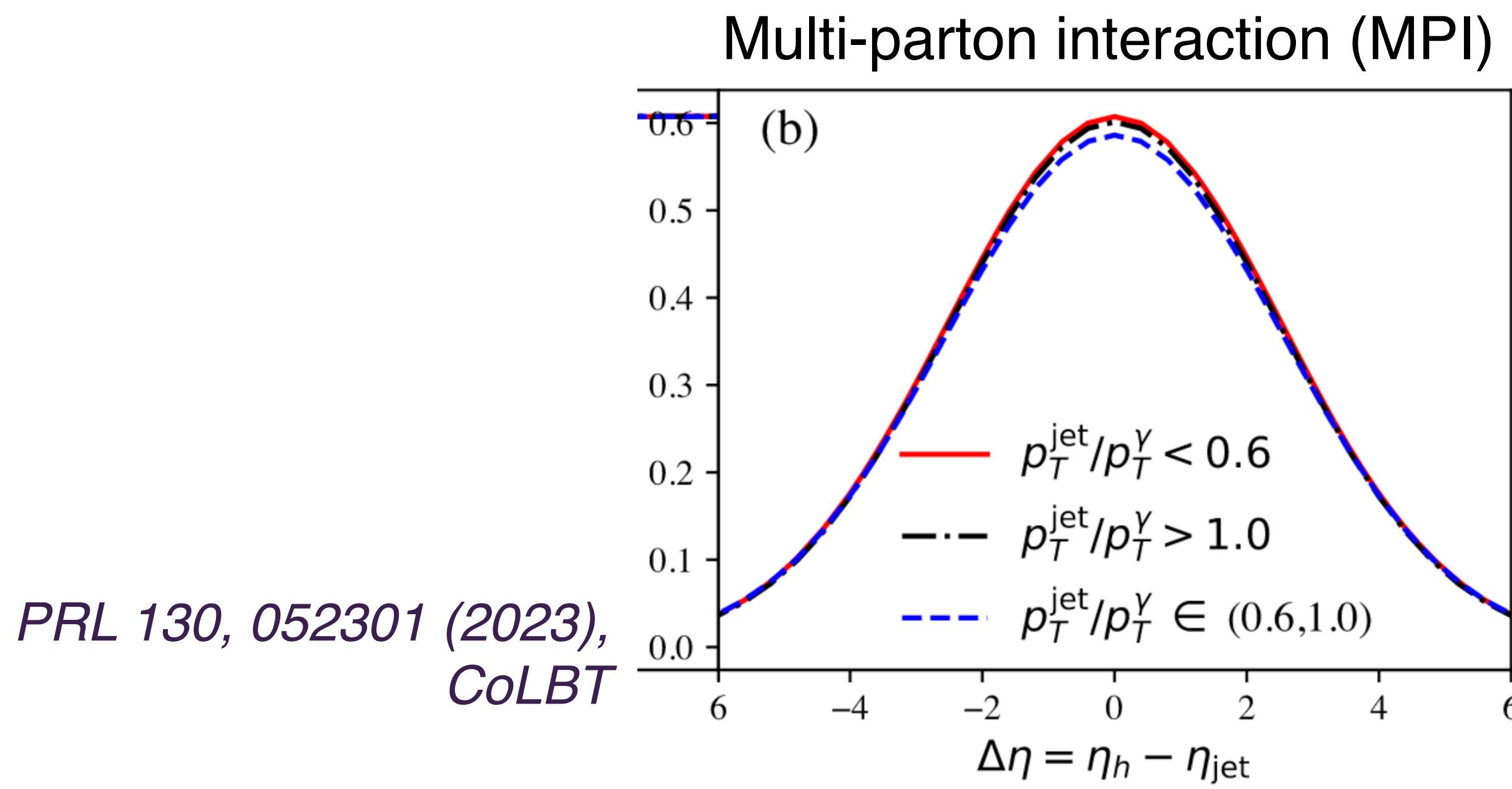


# $|\Delta\eta(\text{jet}, \text{track})|$ in $pp$ collisions

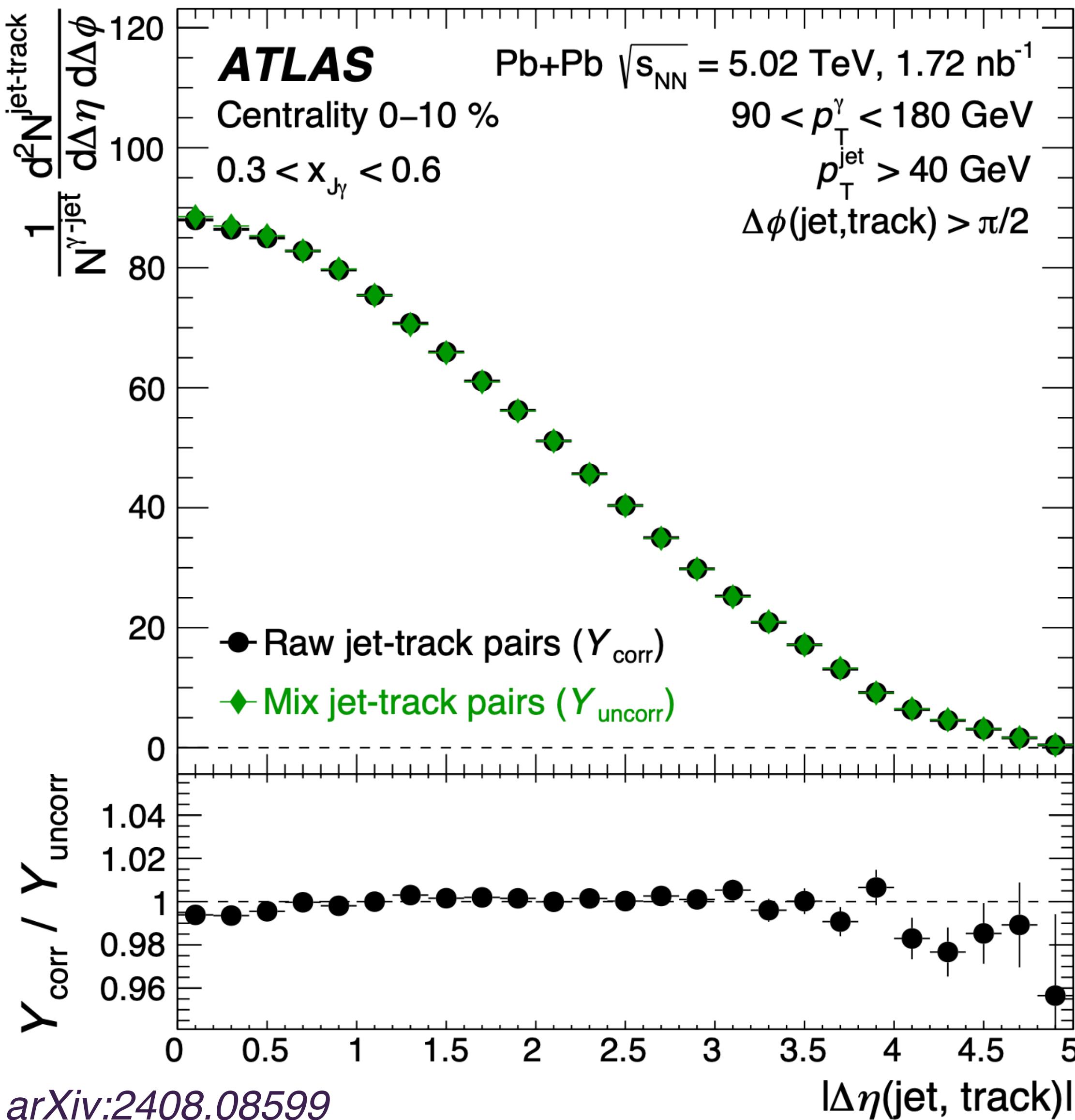


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- The yield distributions as a function of  $|\Delta\eta(\text{jet}, \text{track})|$  in the **three  $x_{J\gamma}$  regions are consistent with each other** within uncertainties  
→ in agreement with the theory expectation



# $|\Delta\eta(\text{jet}, \text{track})|$ in $\text{Pb}+\text{Pb}$ collisions



- Tracks produced from the bulk medium constitute a background
  - estimated using an *event mixing technique*
  - this “uncorrelated tracks” ( $Y_{\text{uncorr}}$ ) is used as a reference for the track-jet correlation in photon-jet events.
- **Event mixing technique**
  - A **photon-jet pair** in a given event is matched with **tracks in a different minimum-bias (MB) Pb+Pb event**
  - When mixing the two events, an MB Pb+Pb event is chosen to have **similar properties** as the signal event
    - i.e.  $\sum E_T^{\text{FCal}}$ , event plane angle, vertex z position

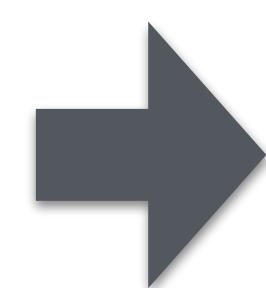
# Event Mixing Matching Condition

$\sum E_T^{\text{FCal}}$  in events with the photon–jet production (“signal” event)

=  $\sum E_T^{\text{FCal}}$  from the photon–jet production *correlated*

+  $\sum E_T^{\text{FCal}}$  from bulk medium without the photon–jet production *uncorrelated*

$\sum E_T^{\text{FCal}}$  from the photon–jet production is estimated in pp data (cross-checked with MC), and has a mean value  $\sum E_T^{\text{FCal},pp} = 17 \text{ GeV}$



When mixing signal and MB events,

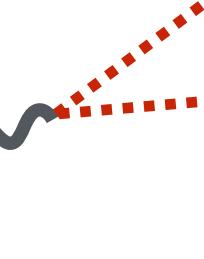
$$\sum E_T^{\text{FCal}} \text{ in MB event} = \sum E_T^{\text{FCal}} \text{ in a given signal event} - \sum E_T^{\text{FCal},pp}$$

- $\pm 50\%$  variation on  $\sum E_T^{\text{FCal},pp}$  is considered as systematic uncertainties  
 → this approximately  $1\sigma$  of the  $\sum E_T^{\text{FCal},pp}$  distributions

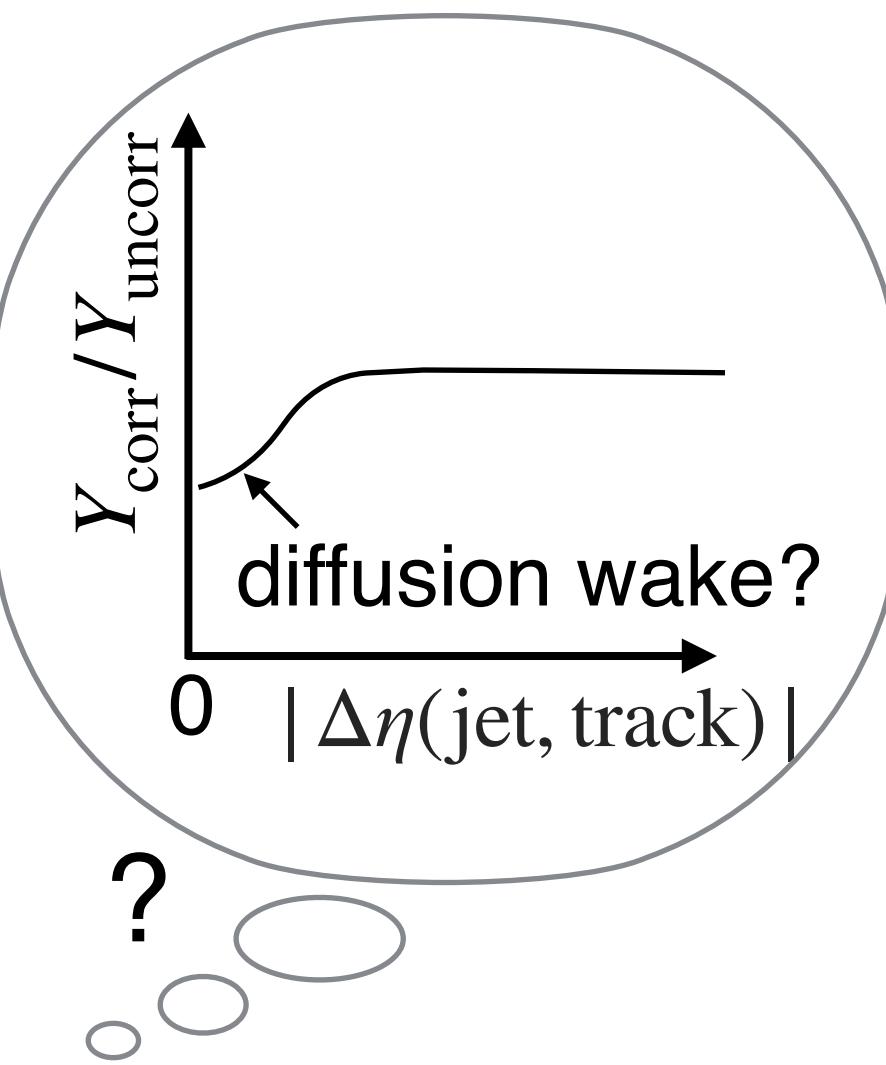
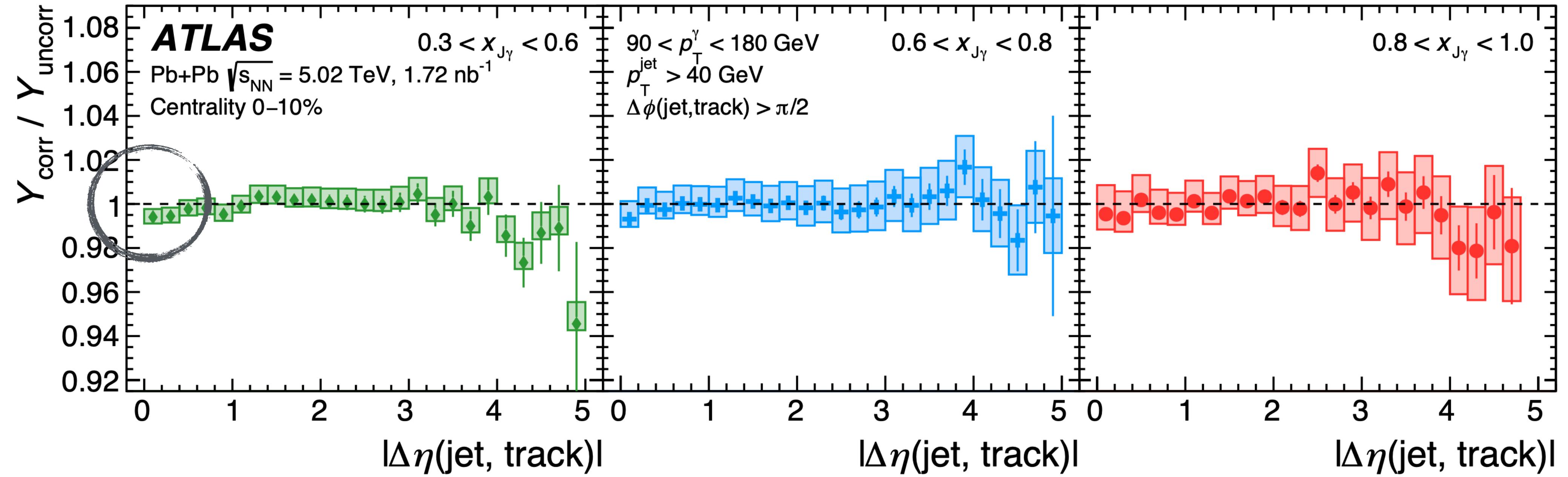
# Relative yield ratio: $Y_{\text{corr}}/Y_{\text{uncorr}}$

$(Y_{\text{corr}}/Y_{\text{uncorr}})_{x_{J\gamma}=0.3-0.6}$  

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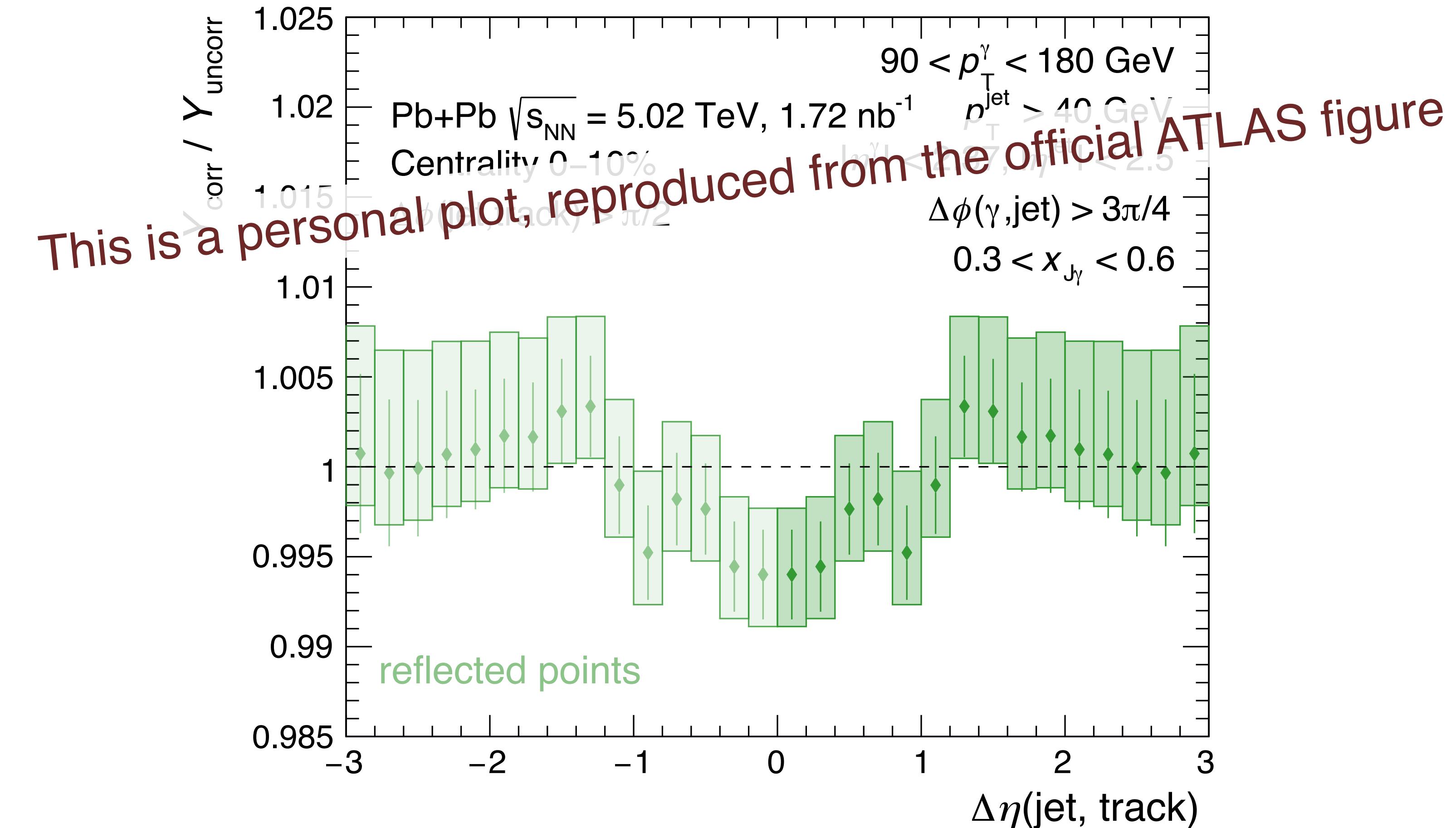
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- $Y_{\text{corr}}/Y_{\text{uncorr}}$  indicates the **relative modification of bulk medium**
- No clear diffusion wake signal found within uncertainties for the higher  $x_{J\gamma}$  regions
- Small diffusion wake signal shown in the lowest  $x_{J\gamma}$  region

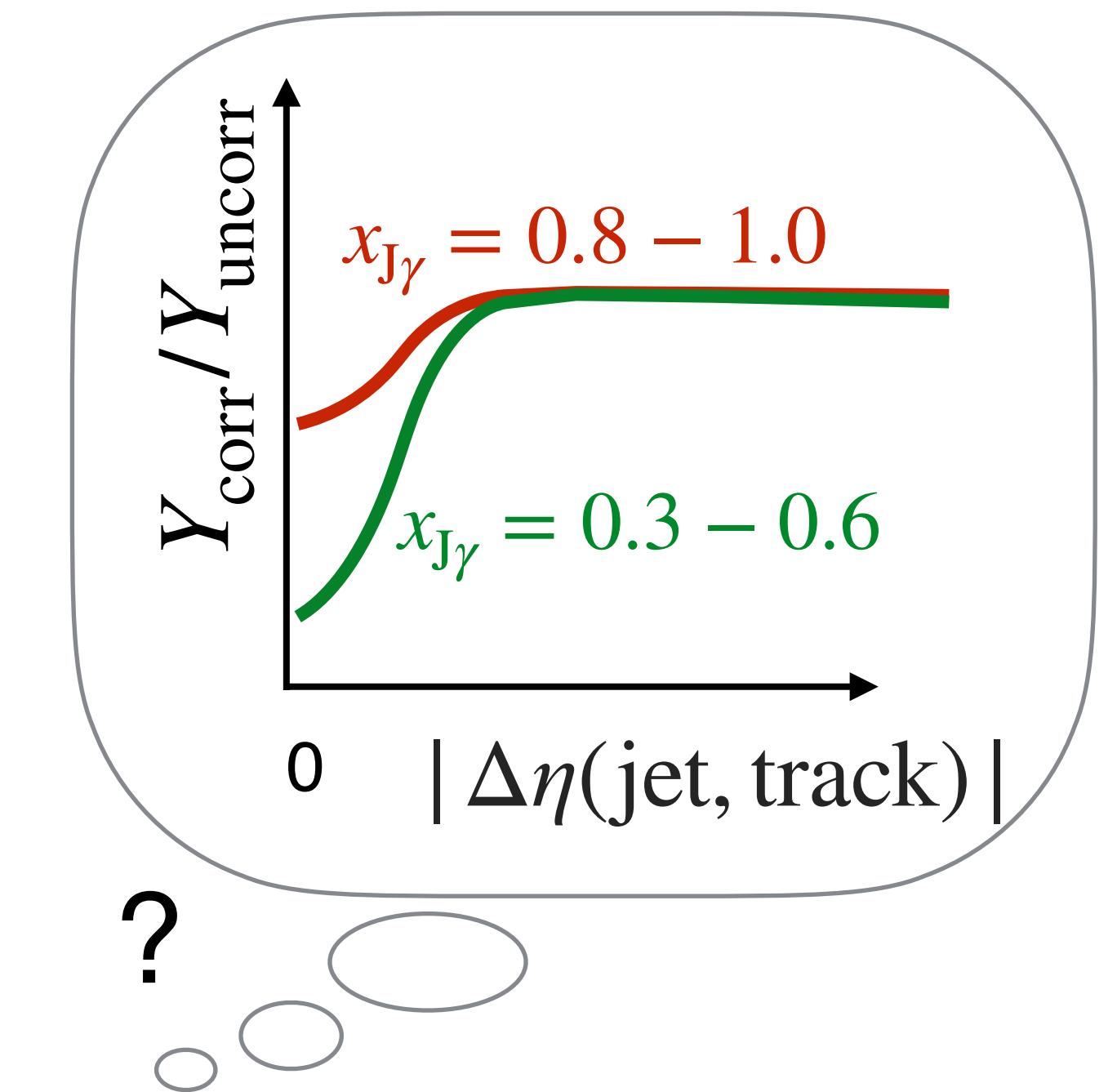
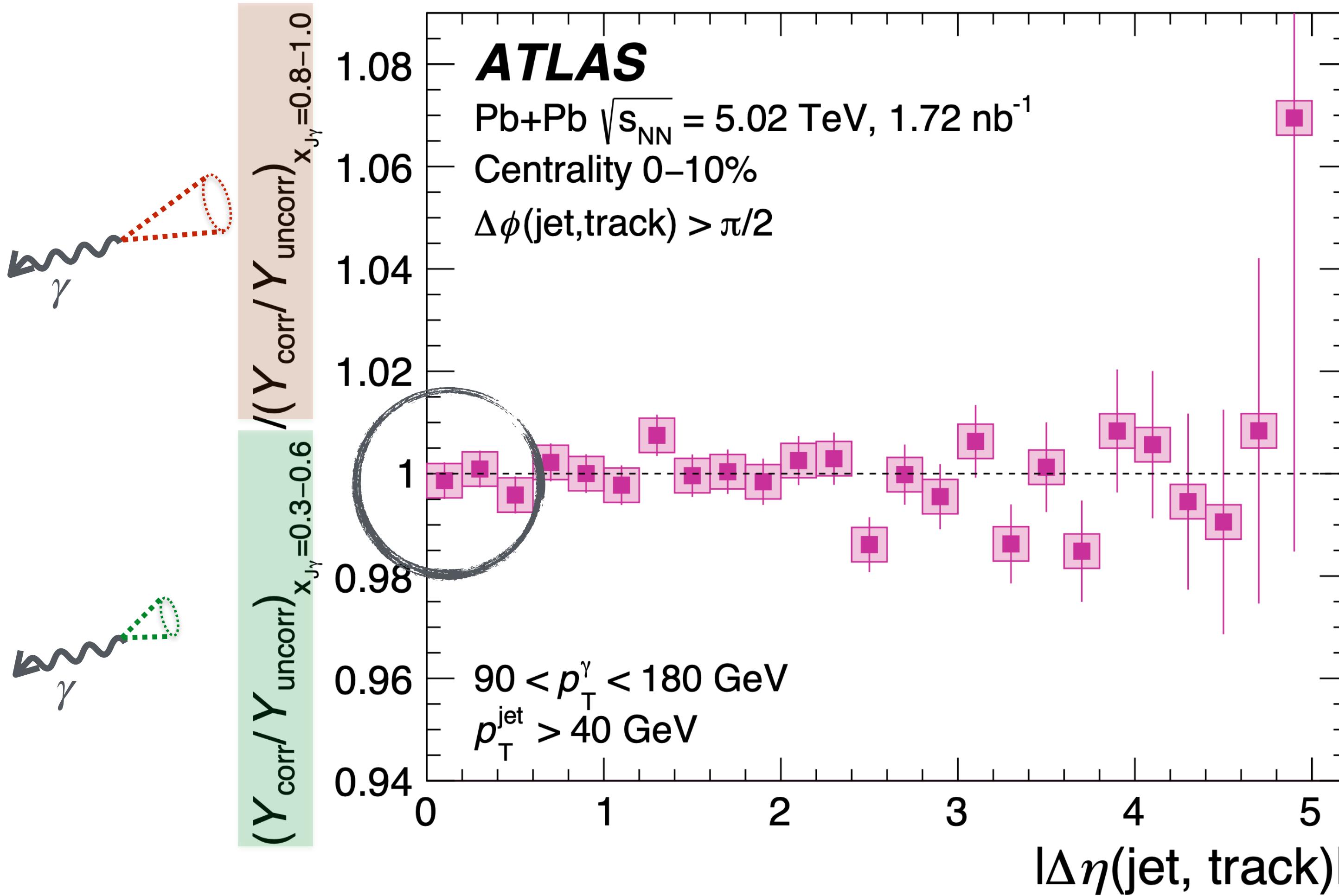
$$Y_{\text{corr}} \text{ or } Y_{\text{uncorr}} = \frac{1}{N^{\gamma-\text{jet}}} \frac{d^2 N^{\text{jet-track}}}{d\Delta\eta d\Delta\phi}$$

# Diffusion wake signal



- There is a clear but small diffusion wake dip at the lowest  $x_{J\gamma}$

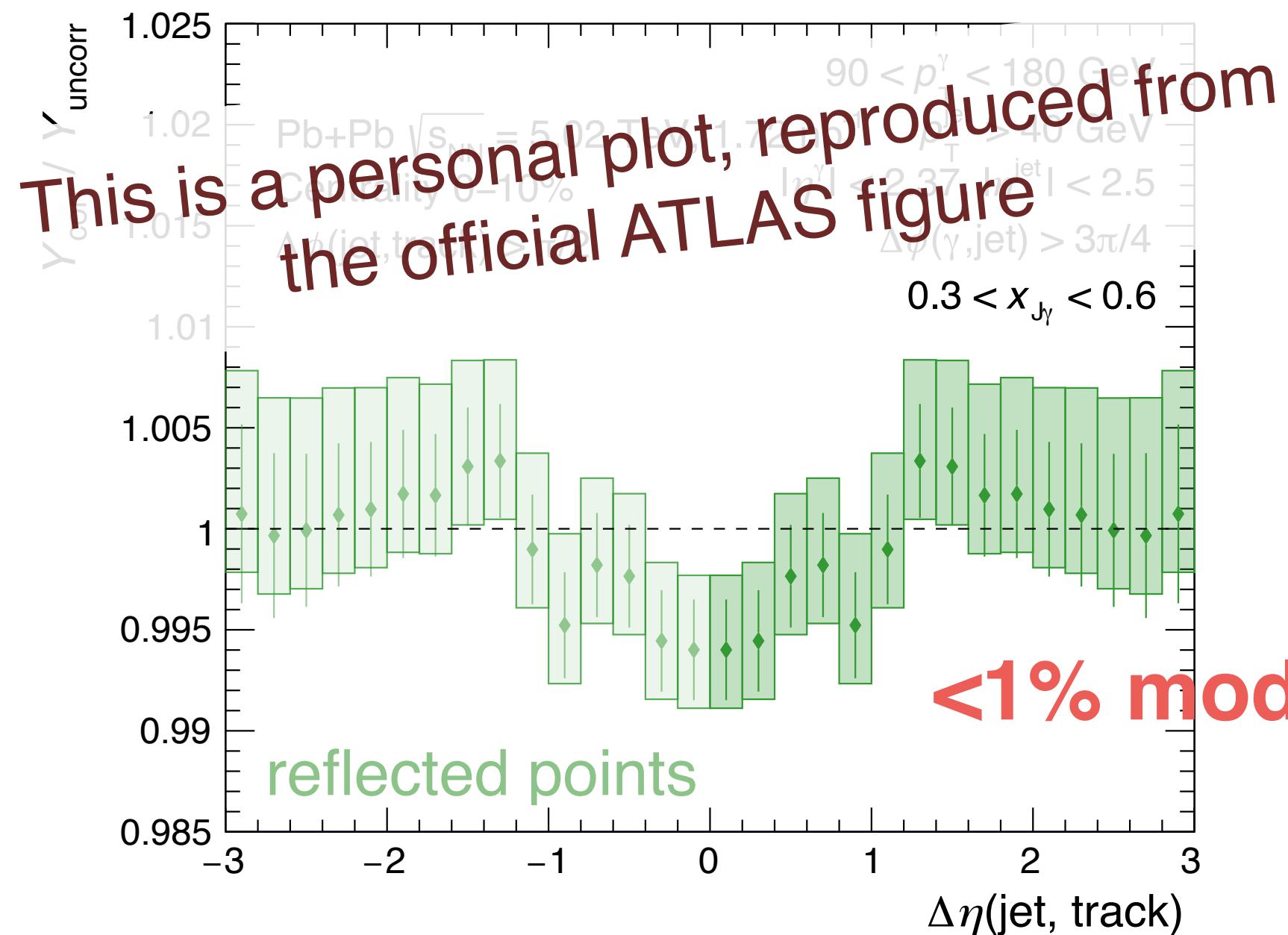
# Double ratio



- The results are consistent with unity within uncertainties  
 → no significant  $x_{J\gamma}$ -dependence of the diffusion wake is found

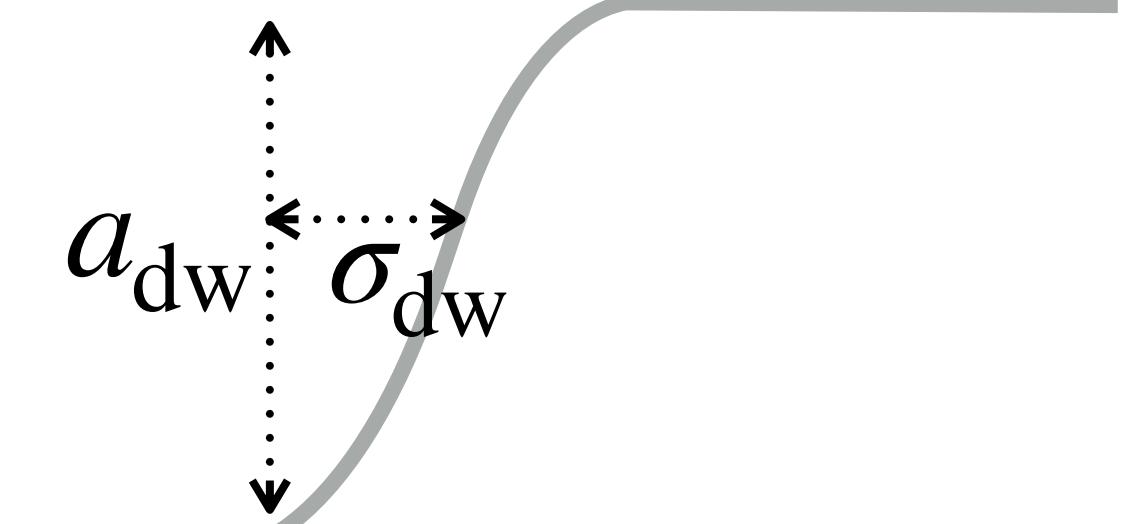
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# Diffusion wake amplitude



Diffusion Wake Amplitude      Diffusion Wake Width

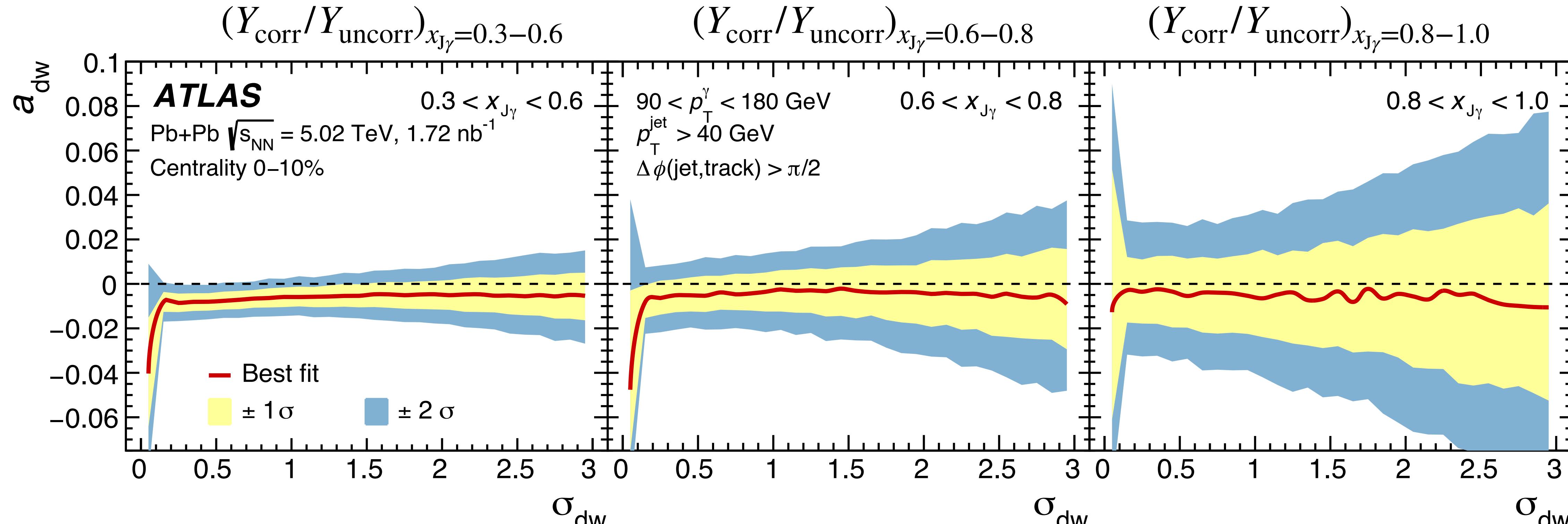
$$a_0 + a_{\text{dw}} \cdot e^{-|\Delta\eta(\text{jet,track})|^2/(2\sigma_{\text{dw}}^2)}$$



- To quantify the diffusion wake, Gaussian fits are performed
  - diffusion wake would have a **negative amplitude** ( $a_{\text{dw}} < 0$ )
- For probability distributions, **Monte Carlo sampling method** is used
  - **statistical and systematic uncertainties and their correlations** are considered
  - the fit is repeated with the  $\sigma_{\text{dw}}$  fixed, representing a different hypothesis each time, while  $a_{\text{dw}}$  and  $a_0$  are treated as free parameters

# Probability distributions

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- Results are consistent with no signal (i.e.,  $a_{\text{dw}}=0$ ) within  $1\sigma$  (higher  $x_{J\gamma}$ ) or  $2\sigma$  (lowest  $x_{J\gamma}$ )
- Best fits of the diffusion wake amplitude is negative for all  $x_{J\gamma}$
- **Diffusion wake amplitude of best fit for the lowest  $x_{J\gamma}$  is 0.5-0.8% for the diffusion wake width range of 0.5-1.0**
- Statistical uncertainty dominates in the probability distributions as systematic uncertainties are highly correlated bin-by-bin

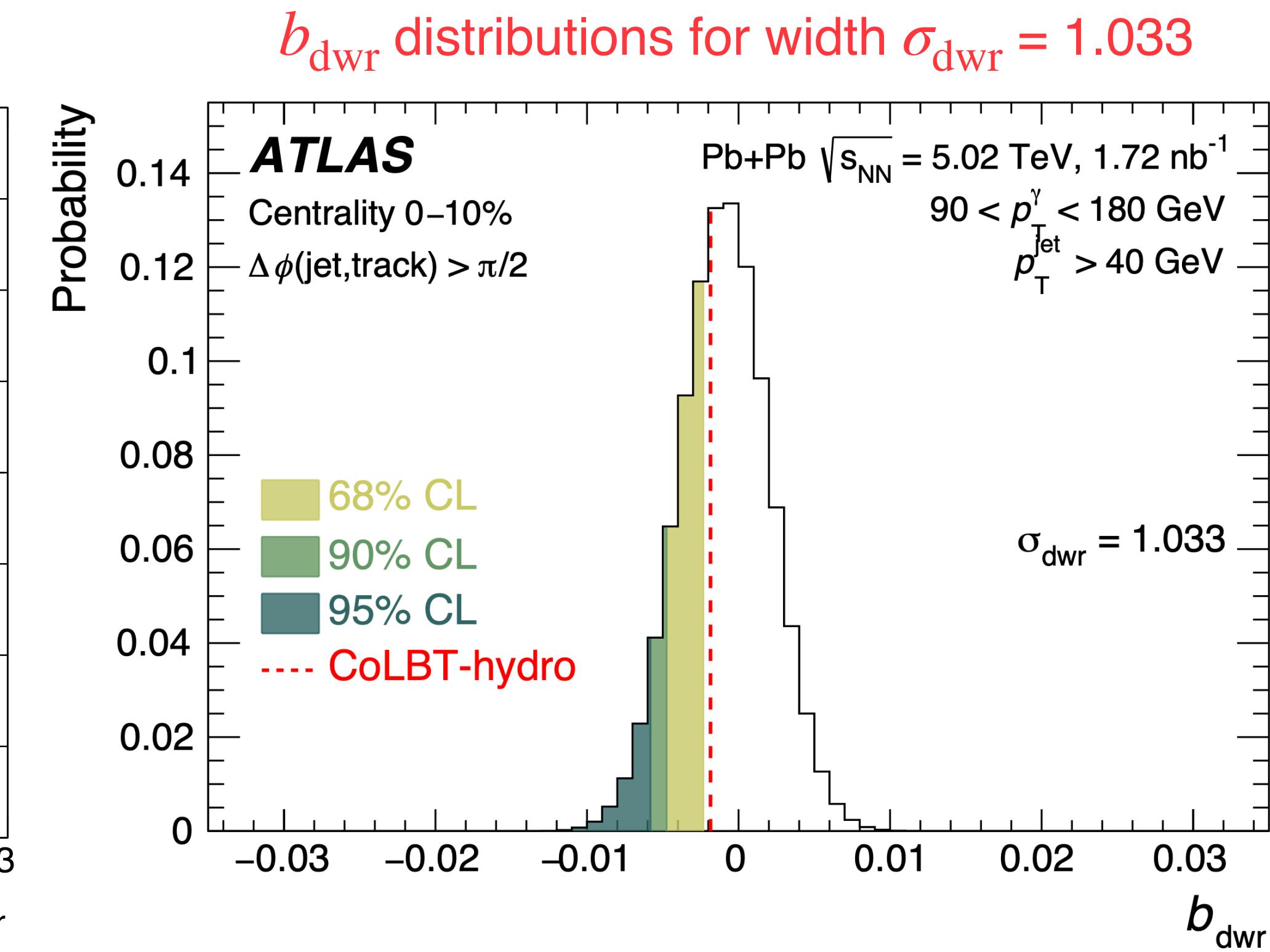
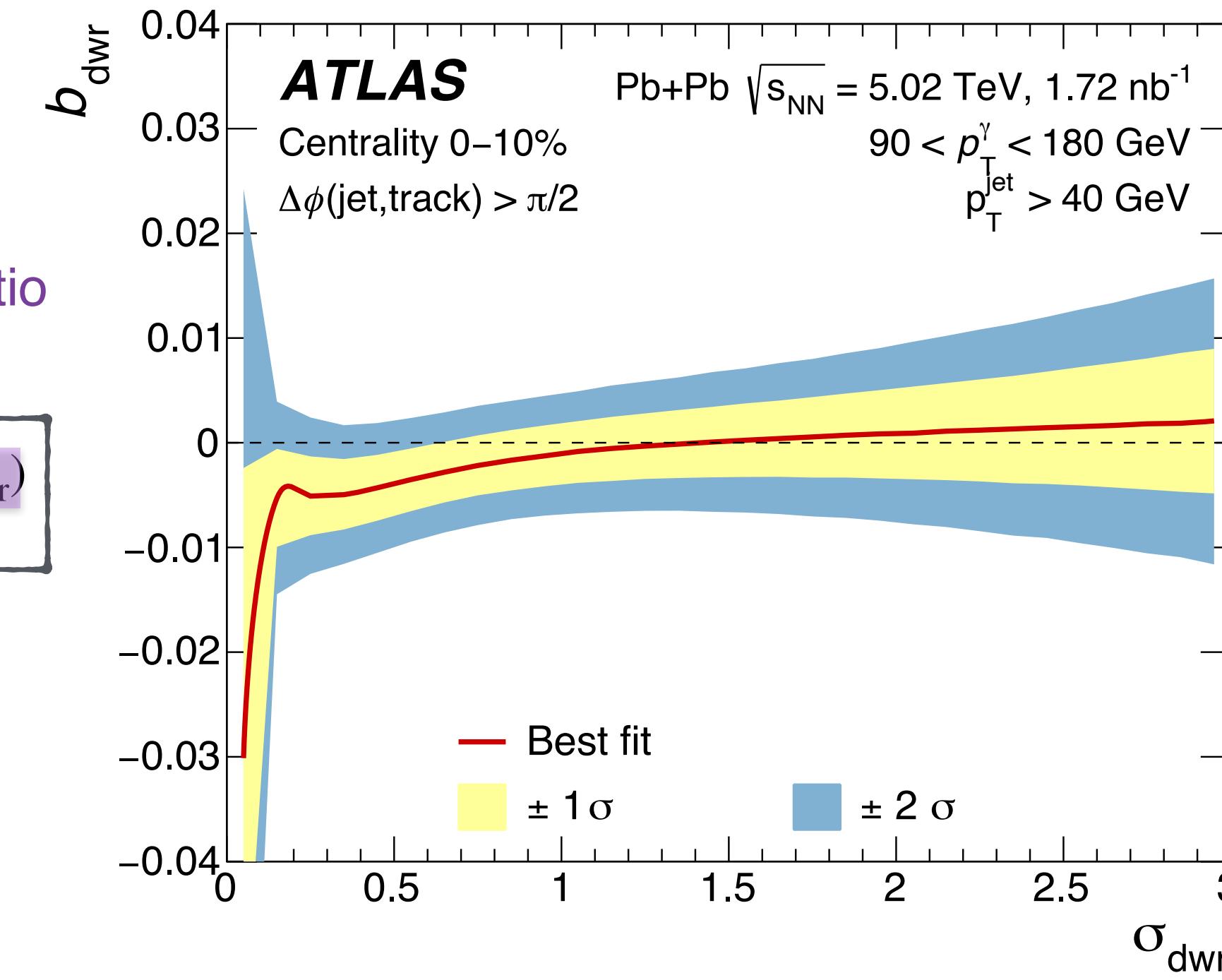
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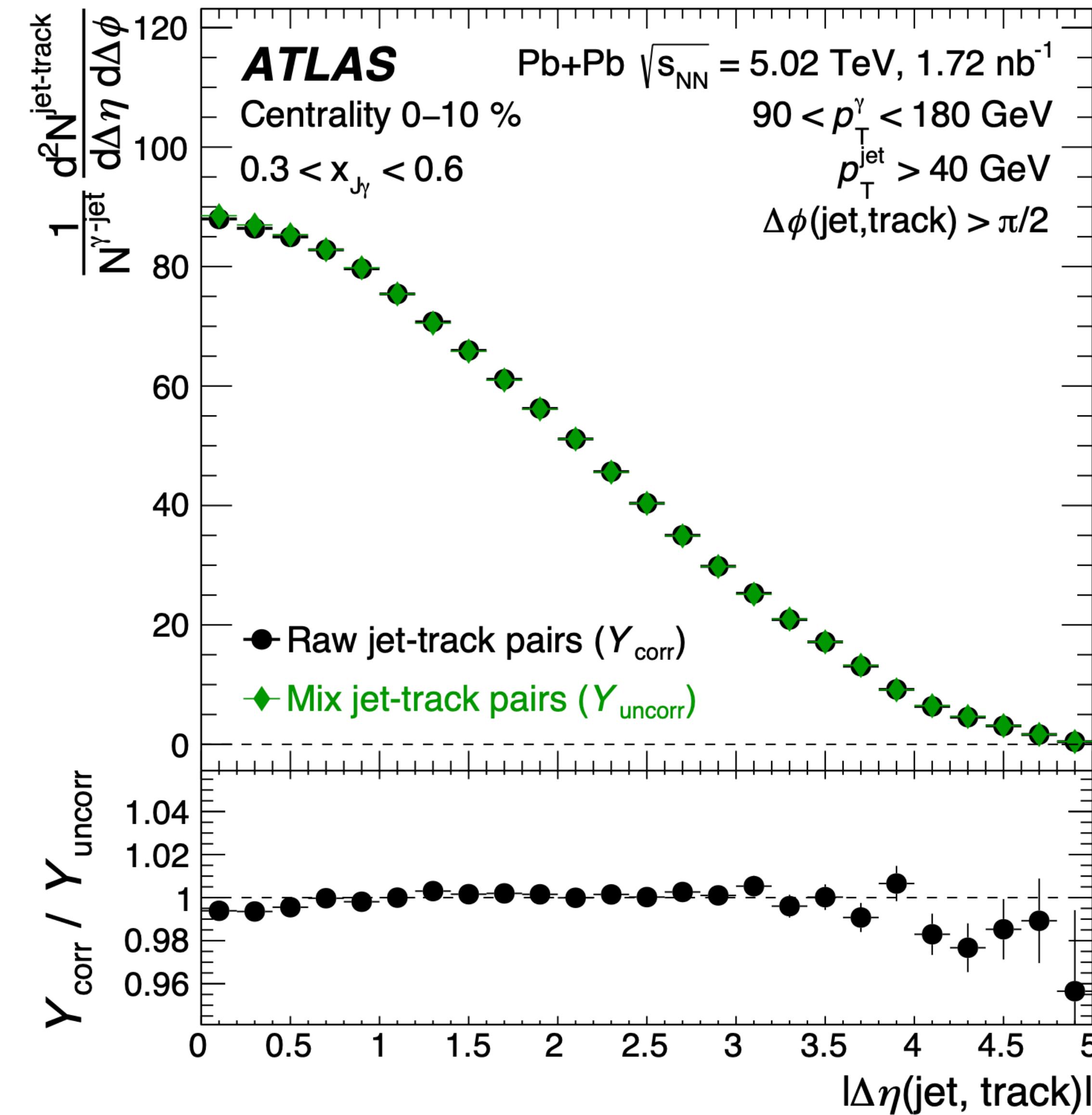
Double Ratio  
Width

$$b_0 + b_{\text{dwr}} \cdot e^{-|\Delta\eta(\text{jet,track})|^2/(2\sigma_{\text{dwr}}^2)}$$



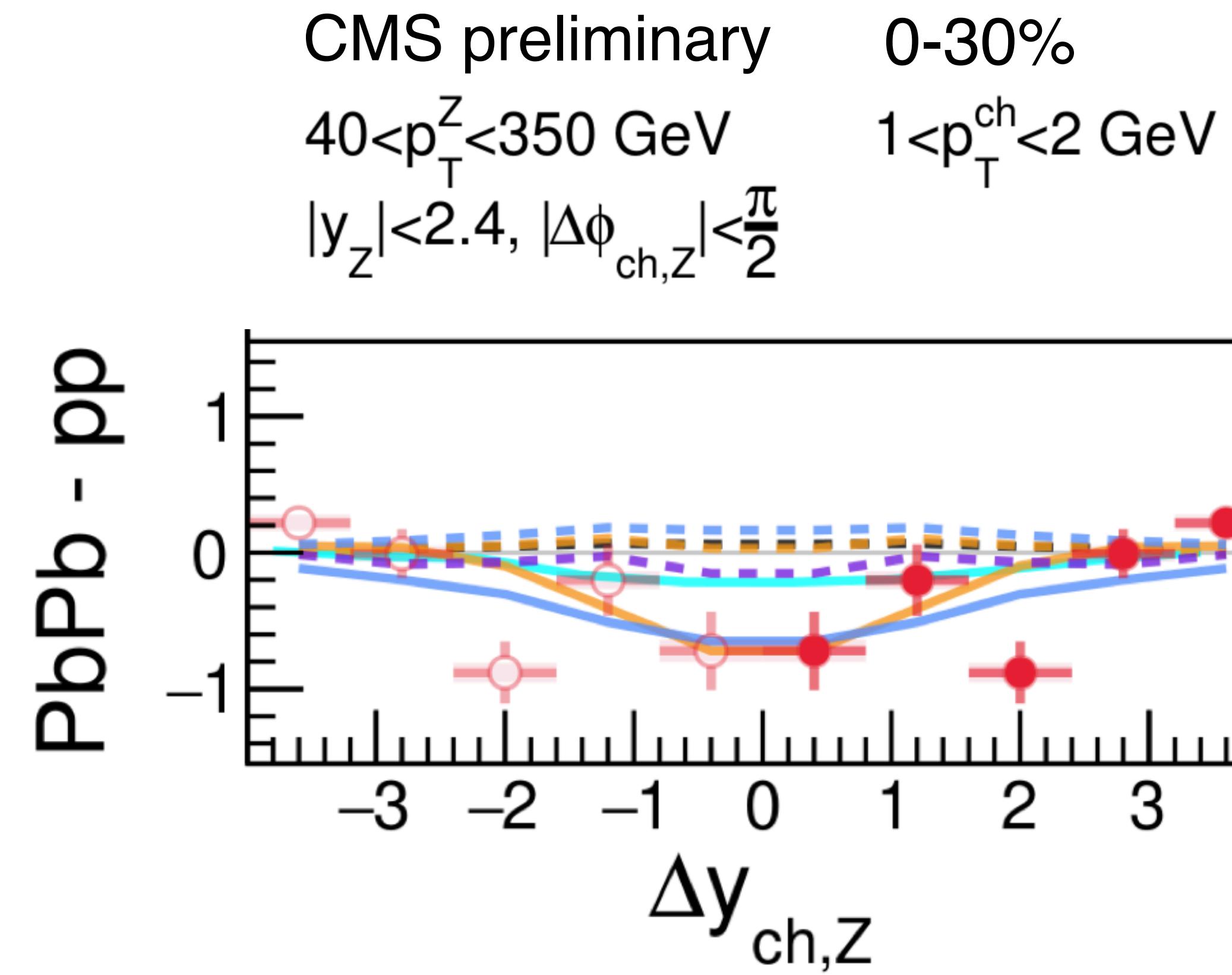
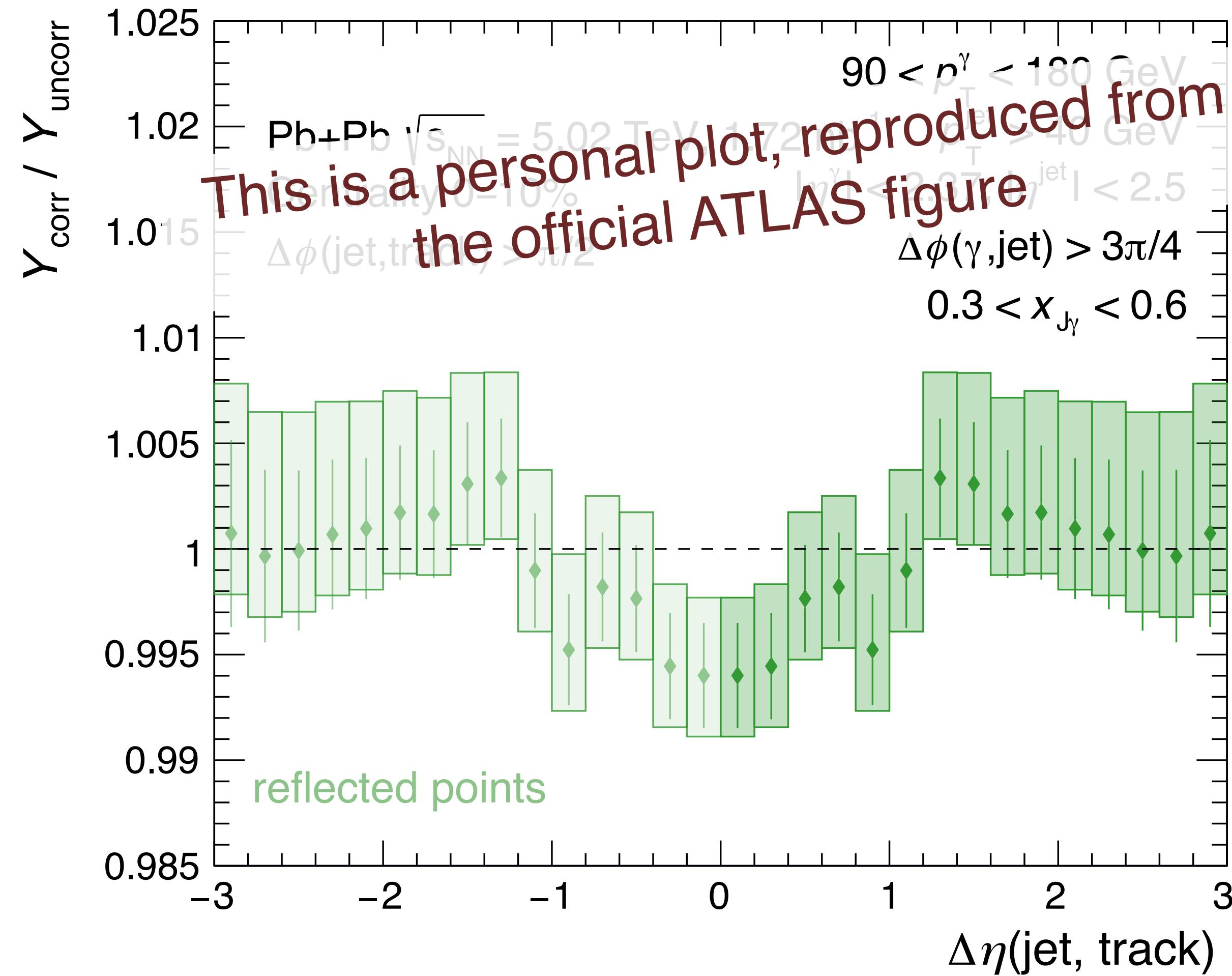
- Data indicates **no significant, but small, diffusion wake signal** that increases with larger parton energy loss
- **CoLBT** prediction of **-0.00185** is consistent with the data *within the 68% confidence level upper limit*
- A diffusion wake double amplitude  $b_{\text{dwr}}$  value smaller than **-0.0058** can be ruled out at **95% confidence level**
- **Stat. uncert.** dominates in probability distribution; more statistics will be valuable

# Discussion: how many particles are we missing?



- $\frac{1}{N^{\gamma-\text{jet}}} \frac{d^2N^{\text{jet-track}}}{d\Delta\eta d\Delta\phi} \sim 90 \text{ at } |\Delta\eta(\text{jet, track})| = 0$
  - $Y_{\text{corr}} / Y_{\text{uncorr}}$  is about 0.5-0.8%
- ↓  
 0.45-0.75 particles  
 (less than 1 particle in unit  $\eta, \phi$ )  
 are reduced by diffusion wake!

# Comparison between ATLAS vs CMS



See also Yen-jie and Yi's talks

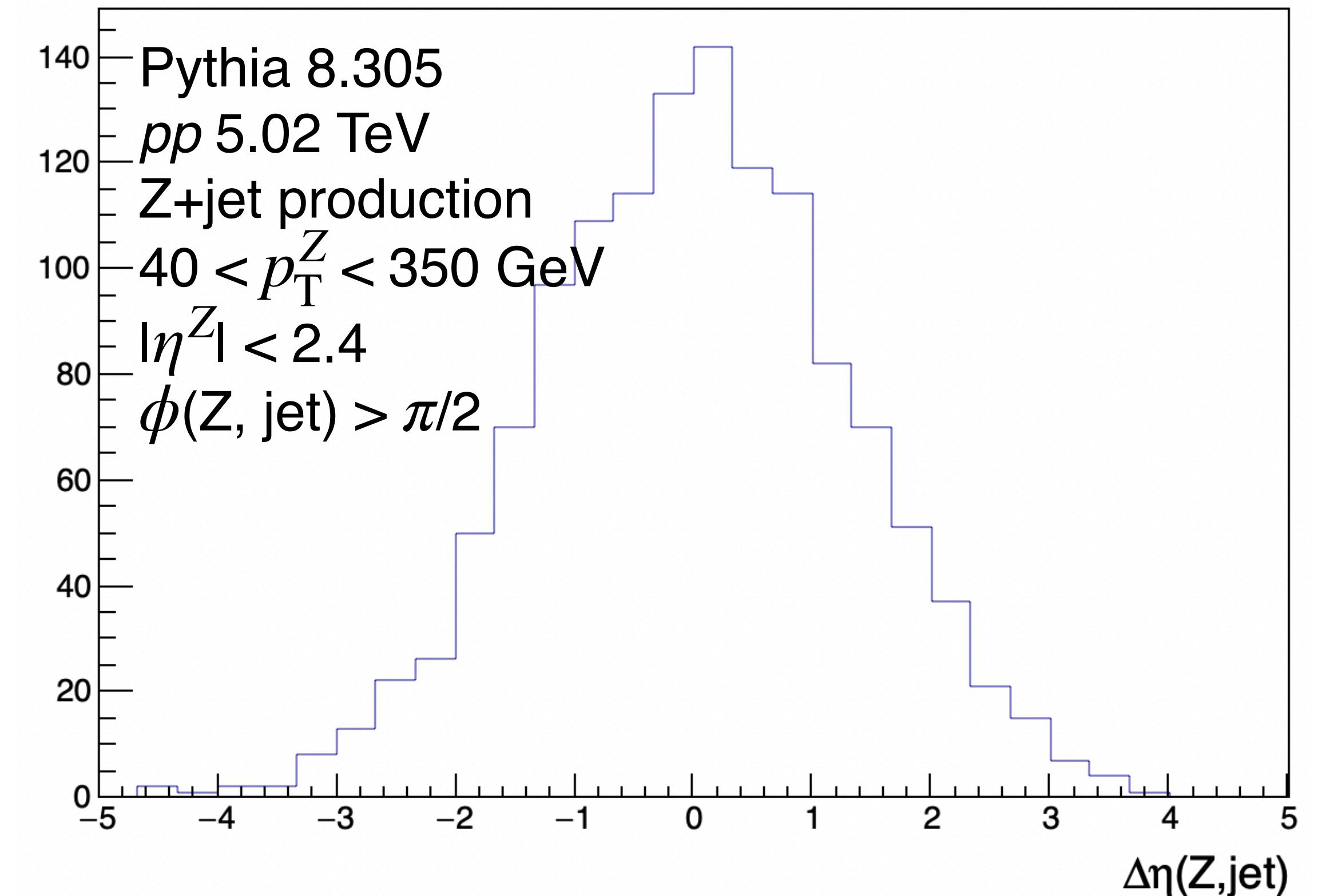
- Both results shows diffusion wake dip, qualitatively consistent with each other

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## ATLAS Jet+hadron

### correlations in $\gamma$ +jet events

- Pros
  - jet reconstruction
  - direct angular correlation between jet and hadrons
  - jet-p<sub>T</sub>/energy loss control → differential  $x_{J\gamma}$  measurement
- Cons
  - background photons (decay from e.g.  $\pi^0$ ) → potentially measure smaller diffusion wake from dijet contamination
  - can't access extremely quenched jets below  $x_{J\gamma} < 0.3$

# Comparison between ATLAS vs CMS - (2)

## CMS

### Z+hadron correlations

- Other differences
  - Event mixing: mixing two Z events → potentially remove MPI better
  - Observable: correlation function  $\Delta N$
  - ...

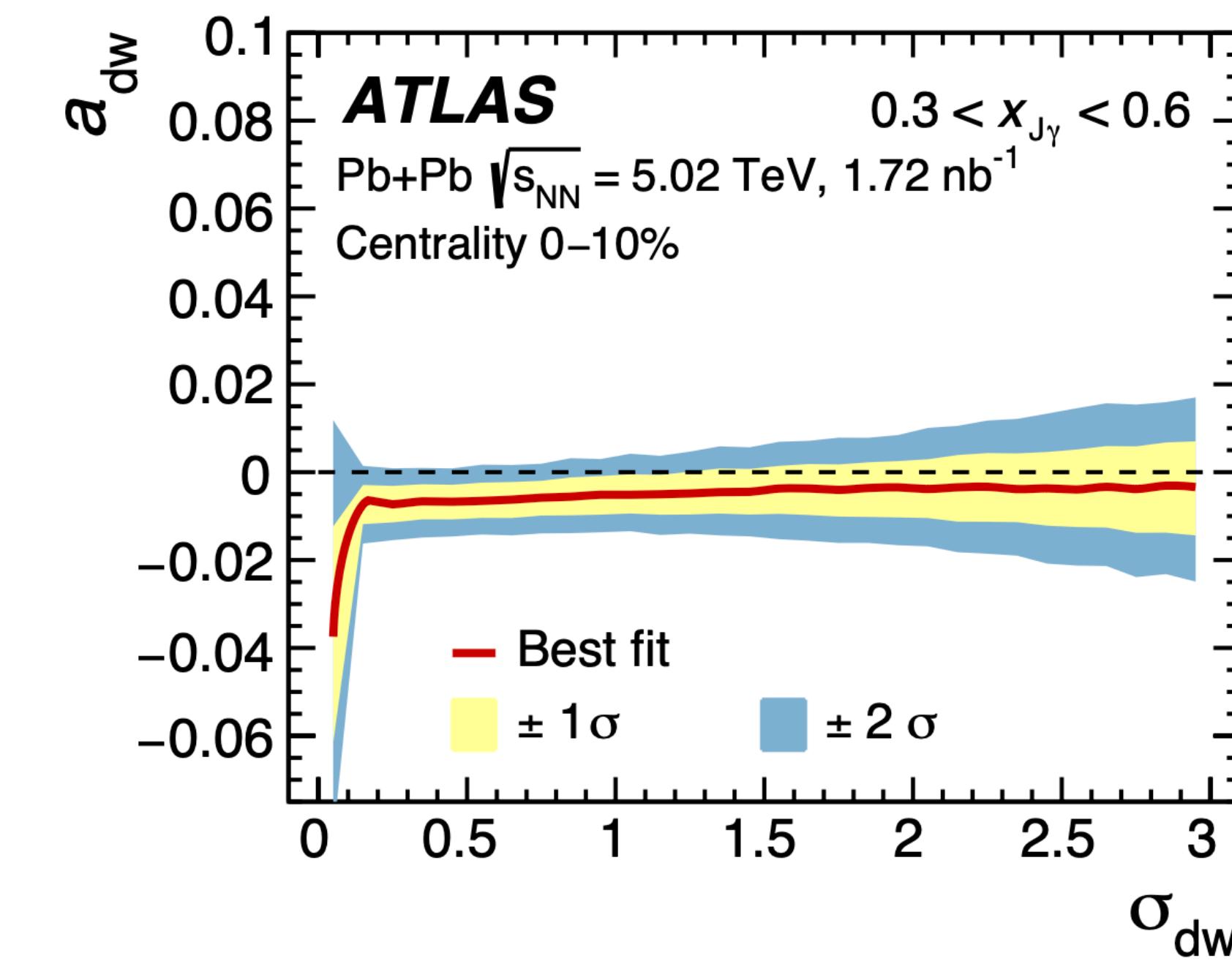
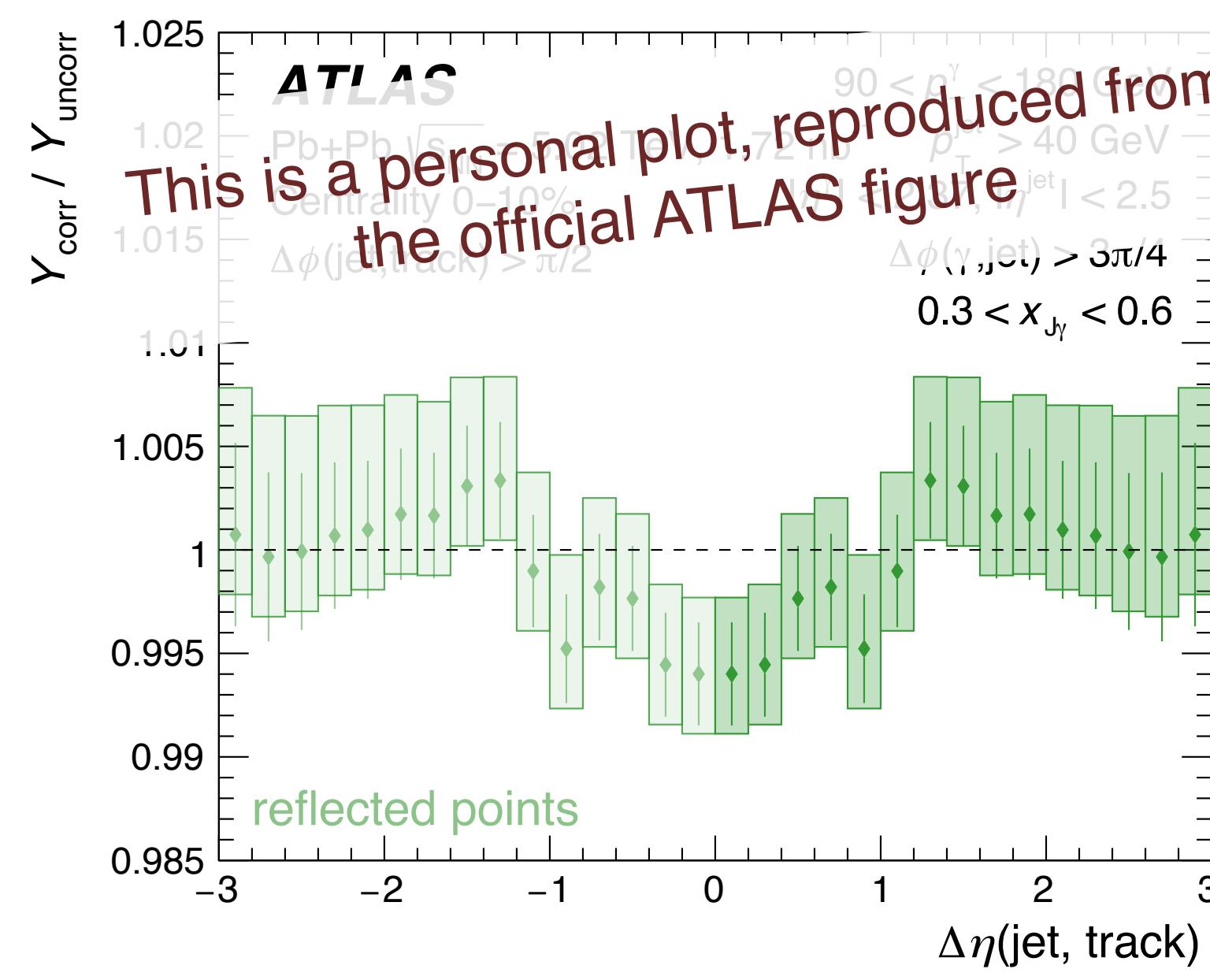
## ATLAS Jet+hadron

### correlations in $\gamma$ +jet events

- Other differences
  - Event mixing: mixing ( $\gamma$ +jet signal) and (minimum-bias) events ; with  $\sum E_T^{\text{Fcal}}$  difference to account for contribution from  $\gamma$ +jet production (including MPI)
  - Observable: Yield ratio
  - ...

# Summary

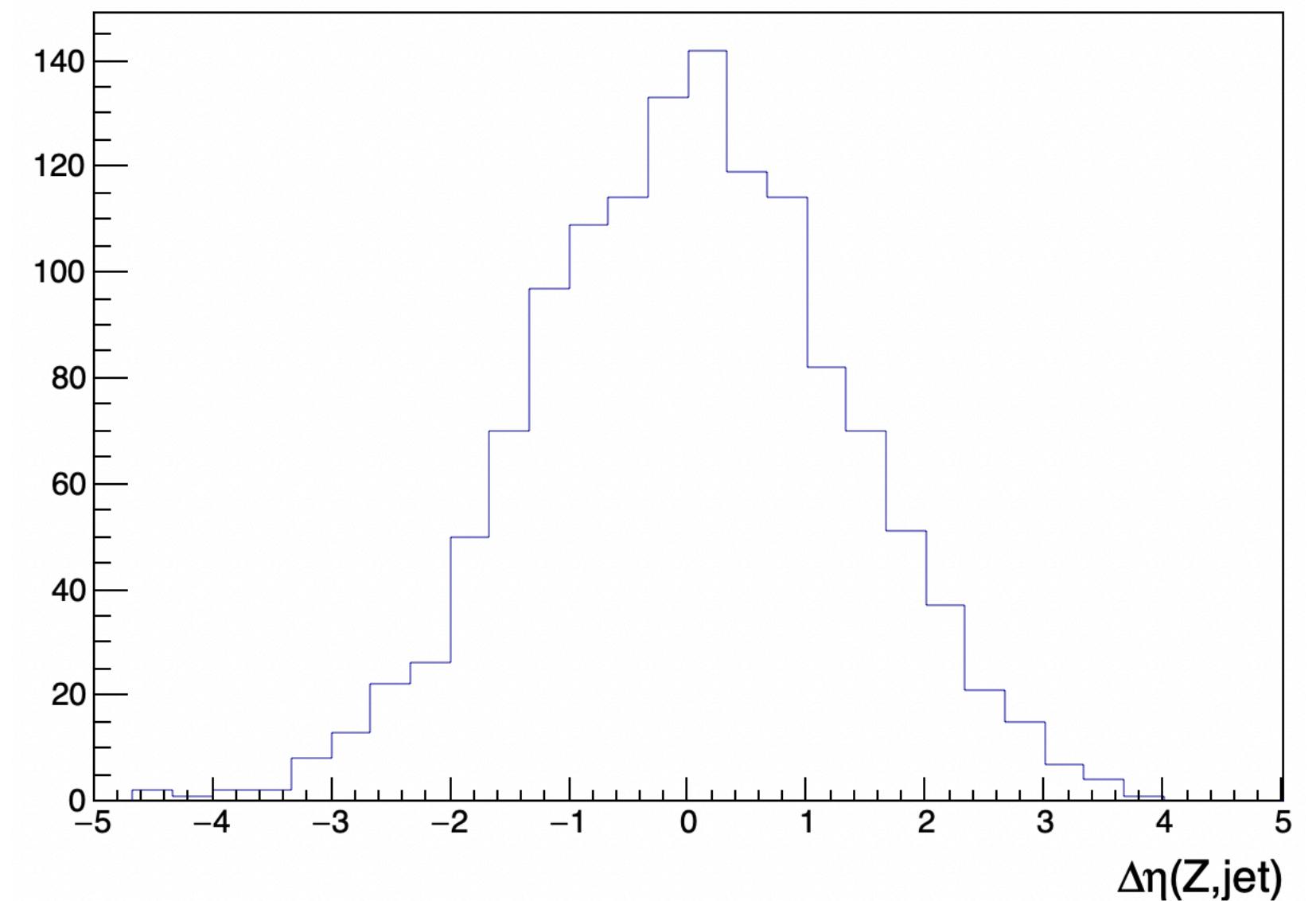
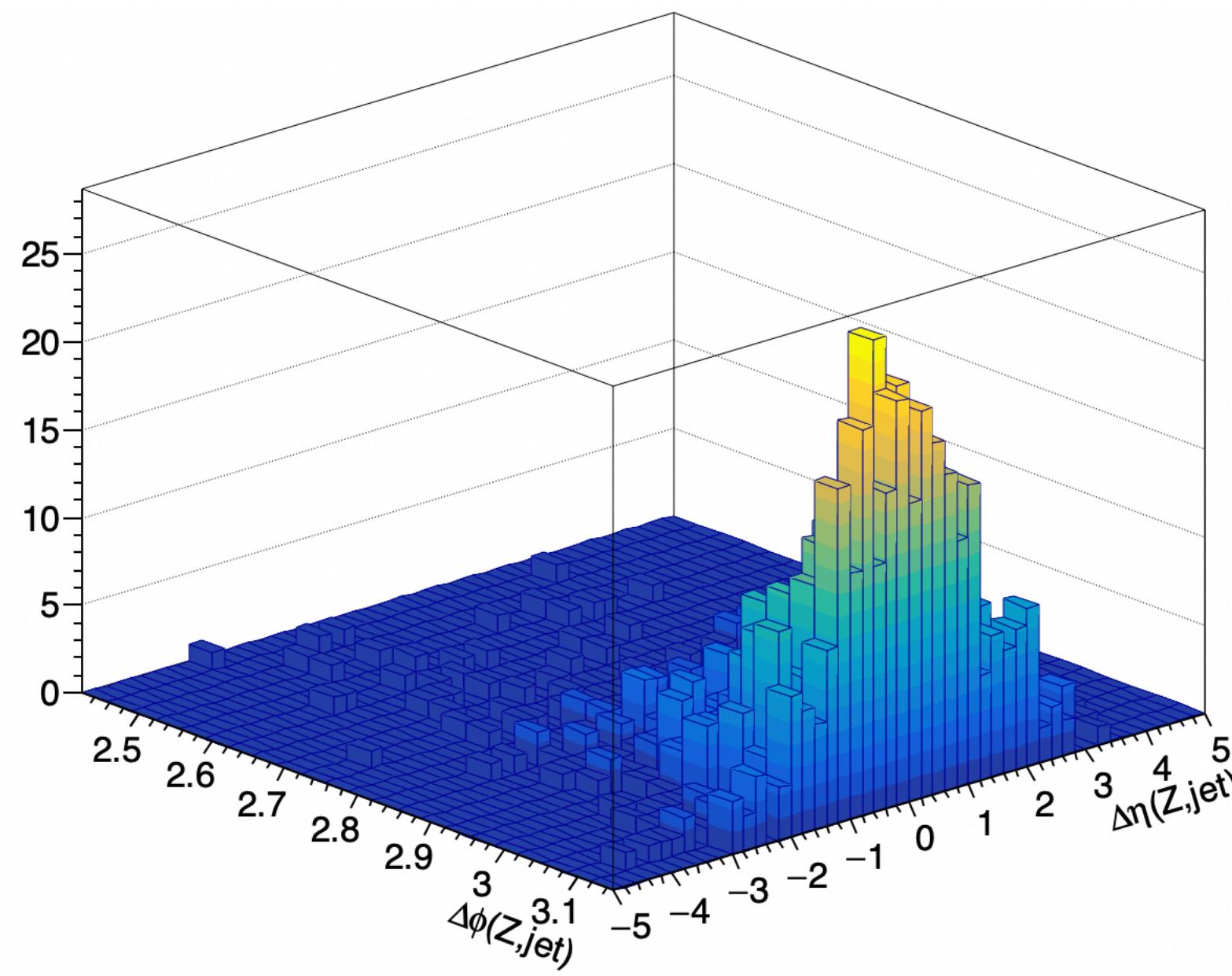
- Jet-track  $\eta$  and  $\phi$  angular correlations in photon-jet events have been firstly measured and **finalized** to search for *diffusion wake*
- The measurement is performed with **three different ranges of  $x_{J\gamma}$**  to select events with **different amounts of parton energy loss**
- *The data show the diffusion wake dip for the lowest  $x_{J\gamma}$  and further provides probability limits;*
  - the best fit of the diffusion wake amplitude for the lowest  $x_{J\gamma}$  is about 0.5%



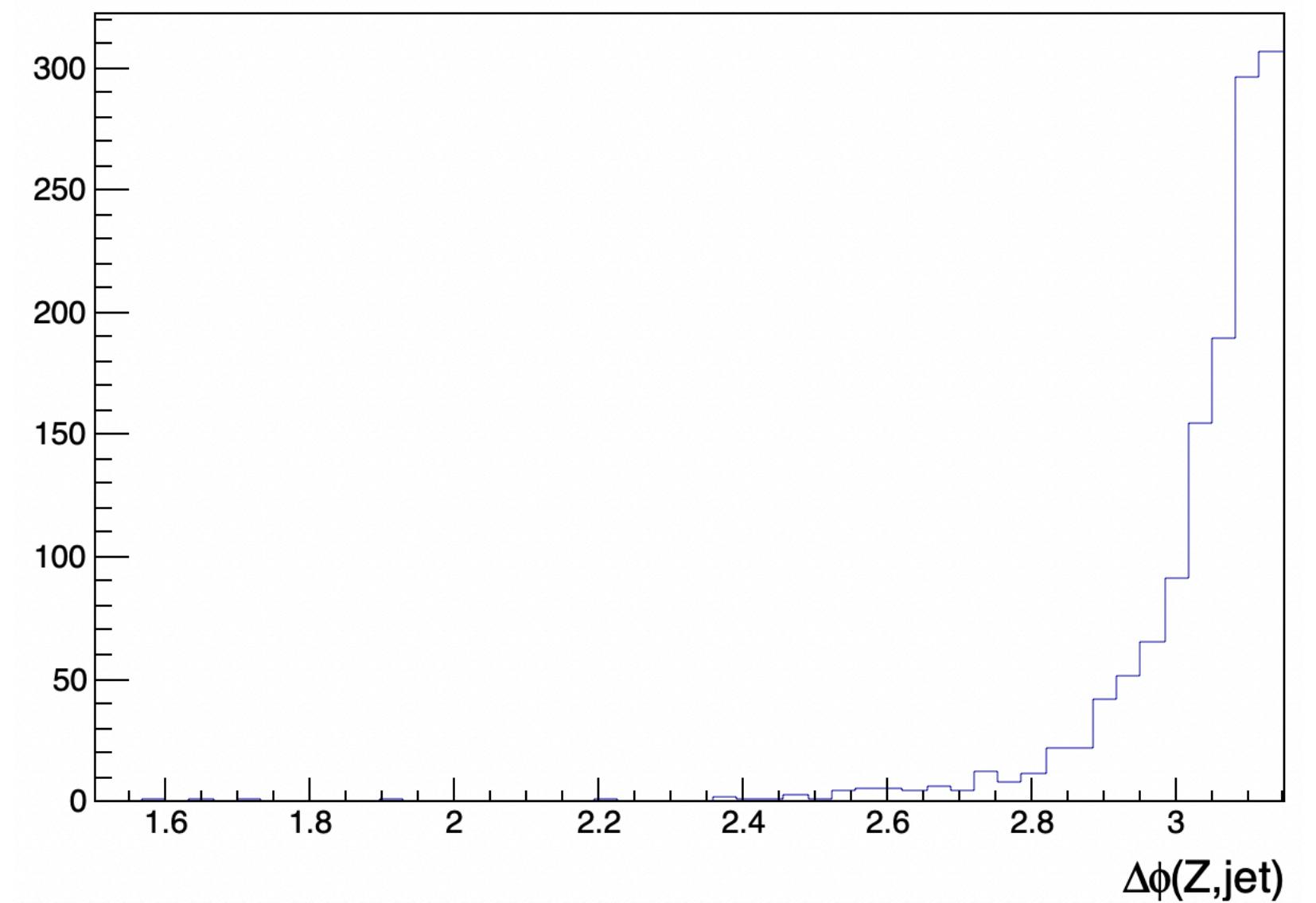
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# Z-jet angular correlations

Pythia 8.305  
 $pp$  5.02 TeV  
 Z+jet production  
 $40 < p_T^Z < 350$  GeV  
 $|\eta^Z| < 2.4$   
 $\phi(Z, \text{jet}) > \pi/2$

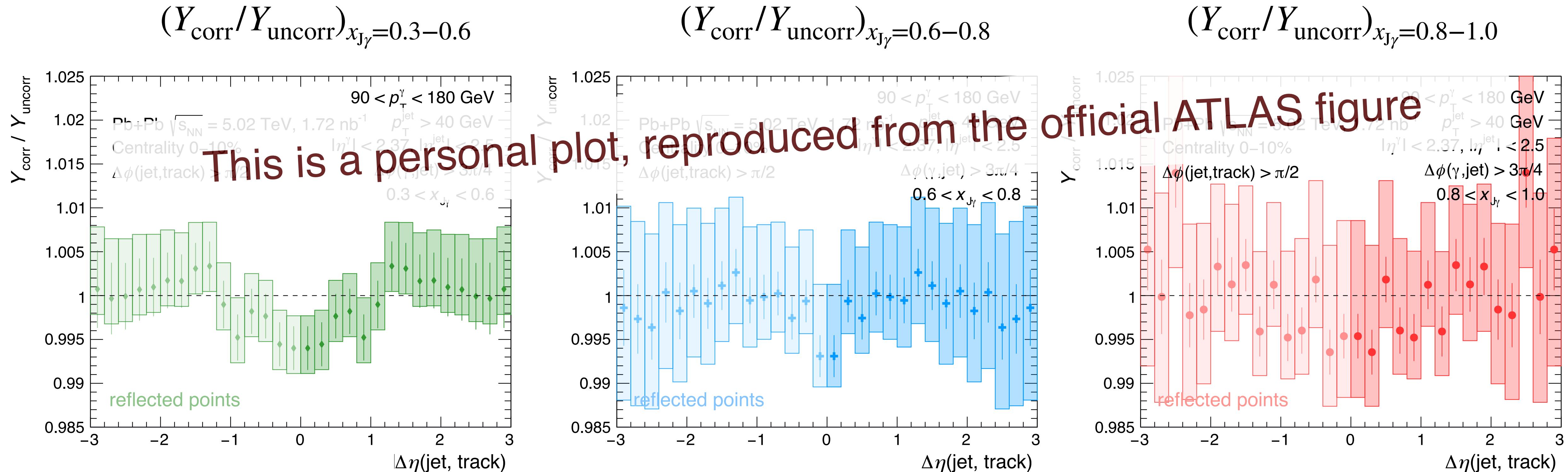


- $\sigma$  of  $\Delta\eta(Z, \text{jet}) \sim 1.3$



- $\sigma$  of  $\Delta\phi(Z, \text{jet}) \sim 0.15$

# Zoom-in $Y_{\text{corr}}/Y_{\text{uncorr}}$

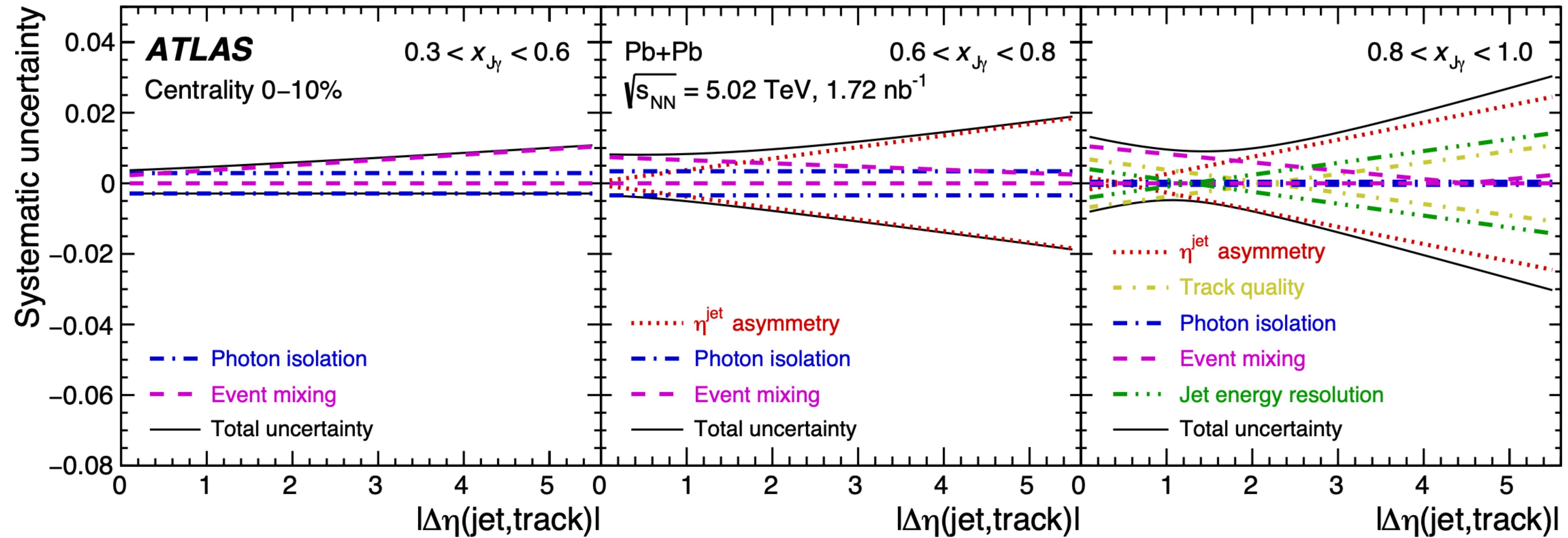


- diffusion wake dip shown for the lowest  $x_{J\gamma}$

# Systematic Uncertainty Determination

- To avoid double-counting the statistical uncertainties, a  $\chi^2$  test is performed for each source of systematic uncertainty
- The 68% probability level obtained by splitting the datasets 200 times under the same nominal condition, which reflects purely statistical fluctuations  $\rightarrow \chi^2_{\text{cut}}$
- Systematic sources which pass the  $\chi^2_{\text{cut}}$  are deemed systematically significant, whether due to a real systematic difference or as the result of a residual statistical fluctuation.

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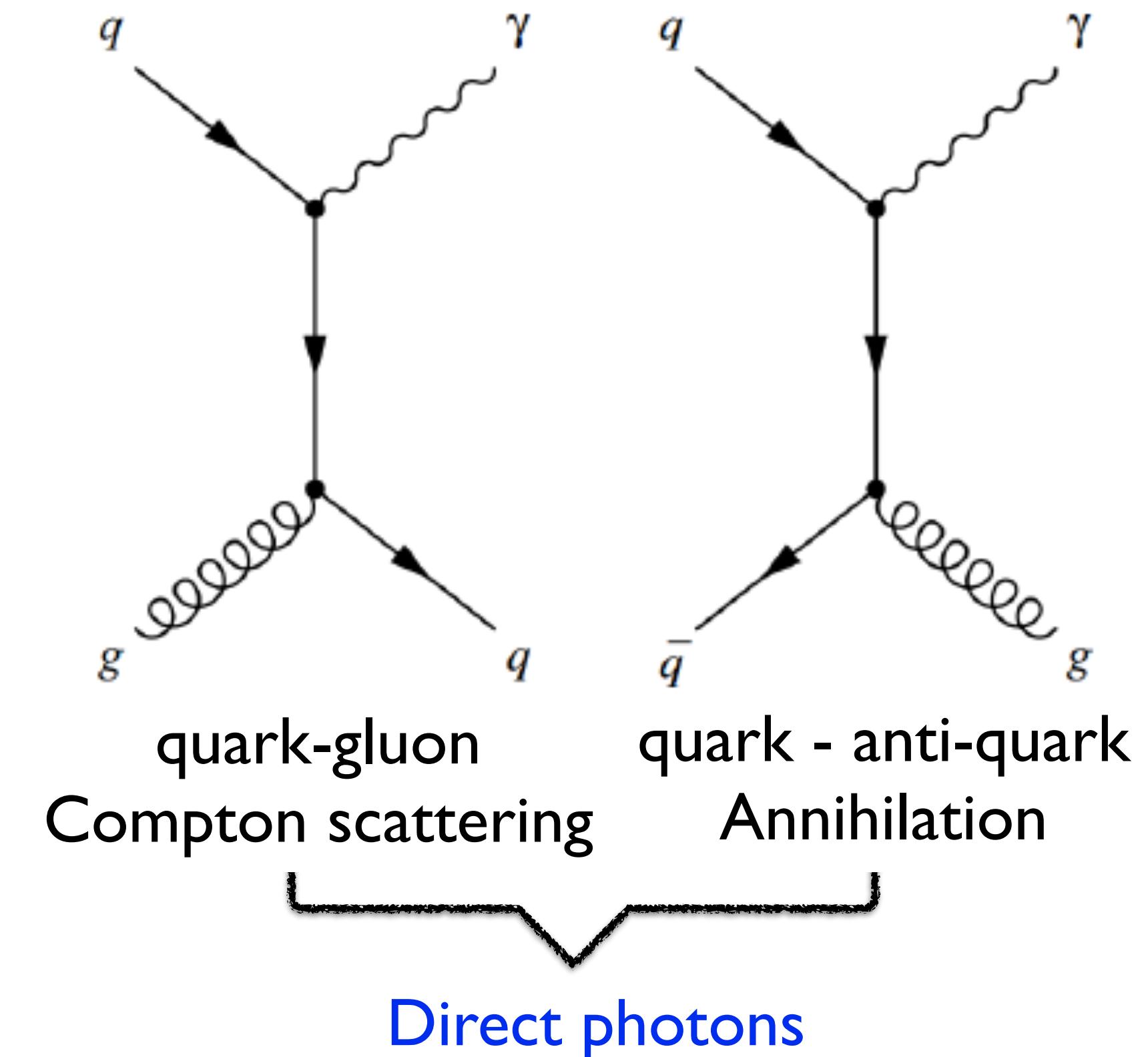


- For the double ratio, the different uncertainty contributions are evaluated according to the  $\chi^2$  test specifically for this quantity by varying the numerator and denominator together.

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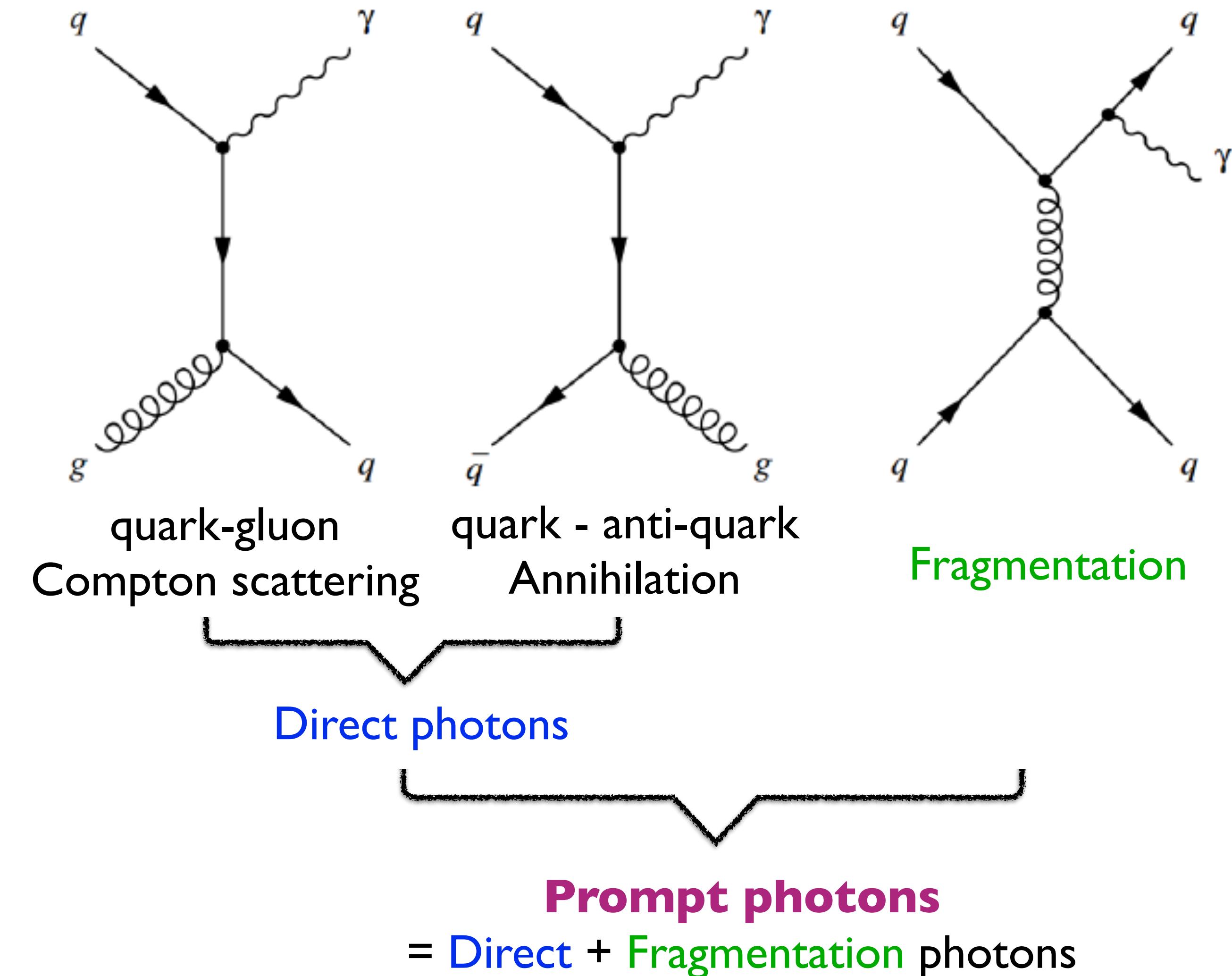
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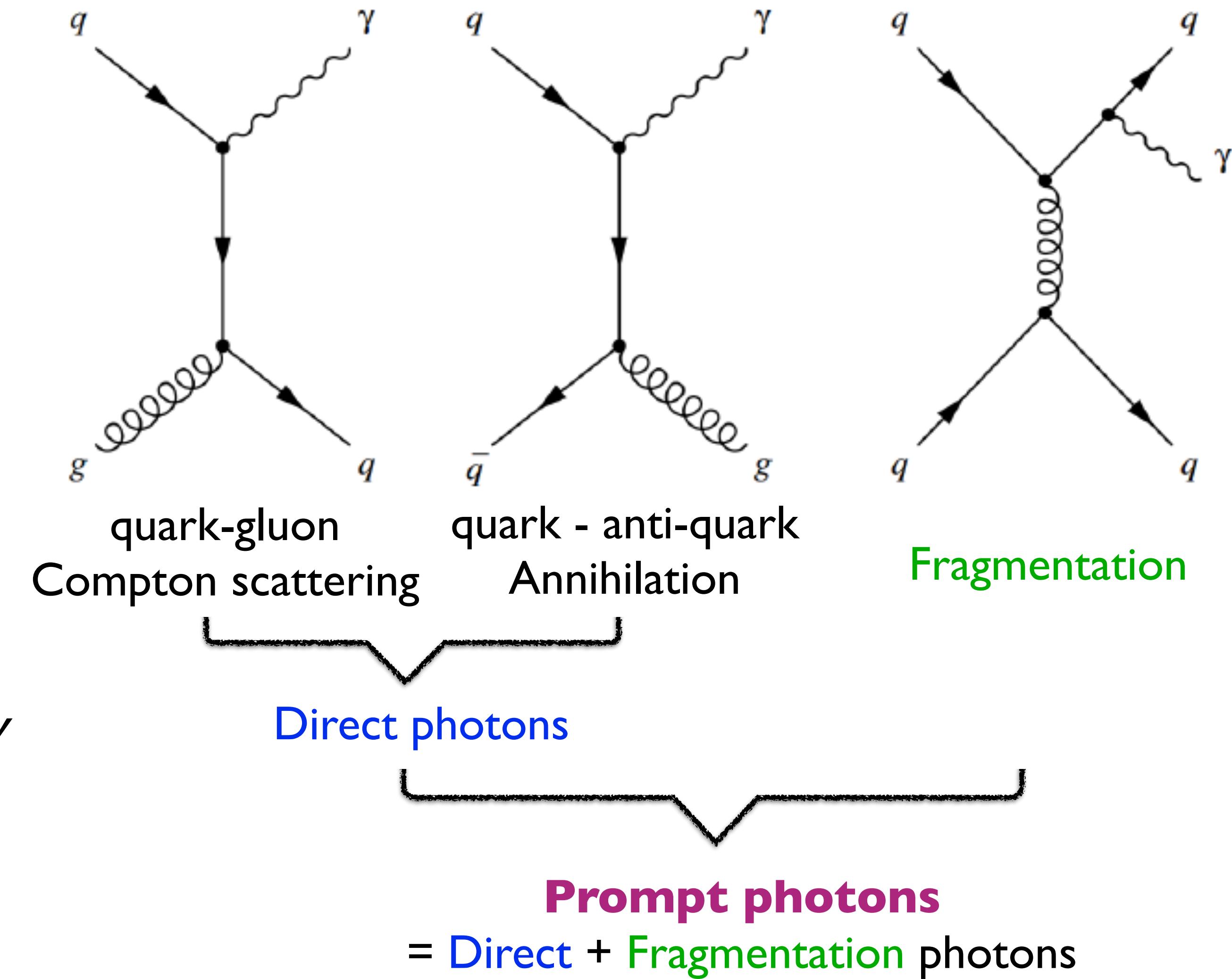
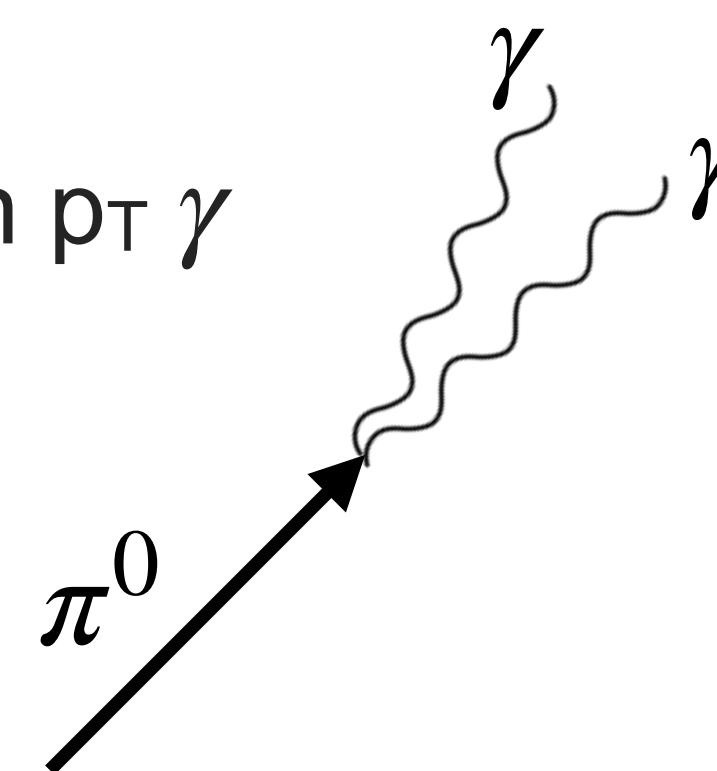
- **Decay photon**

- decayed from hadrons, such as  $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

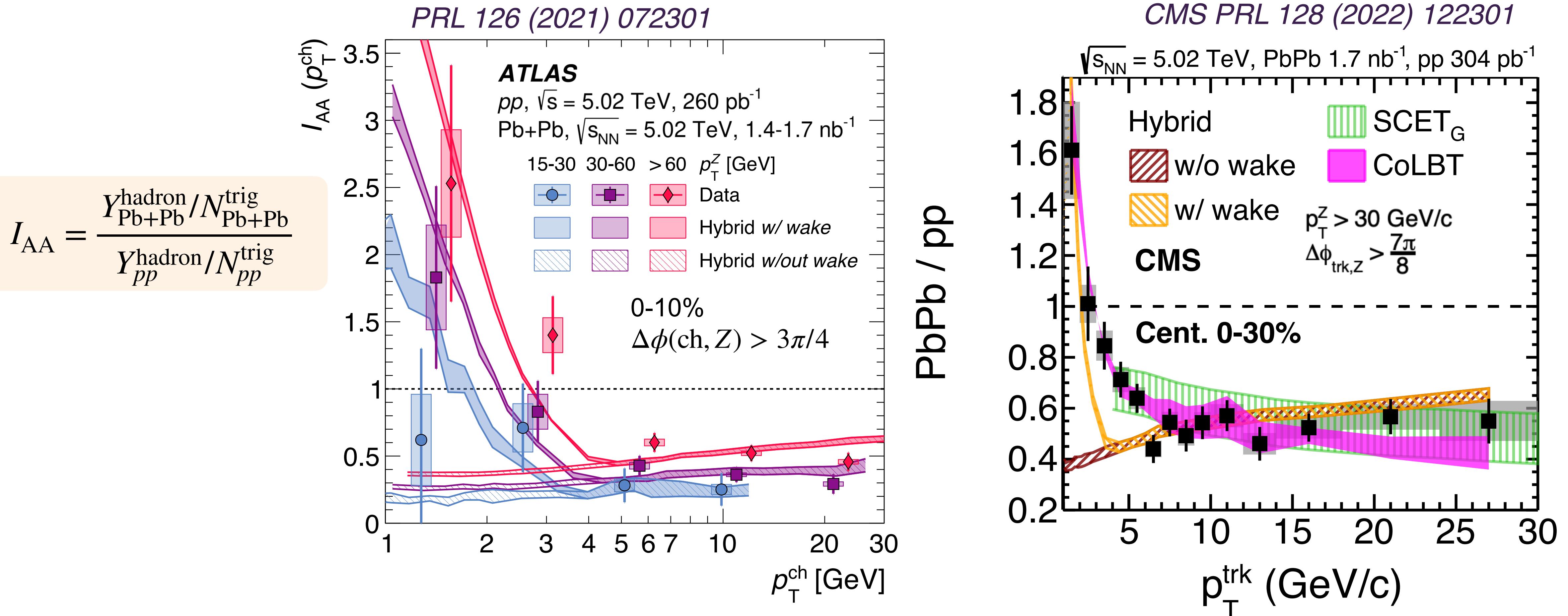
- the two decay photons often have small opening angles

→ reconstructed as a single high  $p_T \gamma$

- major background



# Medium response (wake) in jet direction



- Numerous observations of **enhancement of low- $p_T$  particles** and particles at larger angles relative to the jet
  - ➡ but, hard to disentangle between **in-medium parton shower modification** and **medium response**