

# Cold Nuclear Matter Effect for Heavy Flavor at EIC

Haitao Li  
Shandong University

Based on the works with Zelong Liu and Ivan Vitev

HTL, Liu, Vitev, Phys.Lett.B 816 (2021) 136261

HTL, Vitev, Phys.Rev.Lett. 126 (2021) 25, 252001

HTL, Liu, Vitev, Phys.Lett.B 827 (2022) 137007

HTL, Liu, Vitev, Phys.Lett.B 848 (2024) 138354



HF-HNC 2024  
Guangzhou, China

# Introduction

Use jet and hadron production at EIC to get better understanding of QCD and nucleon structure

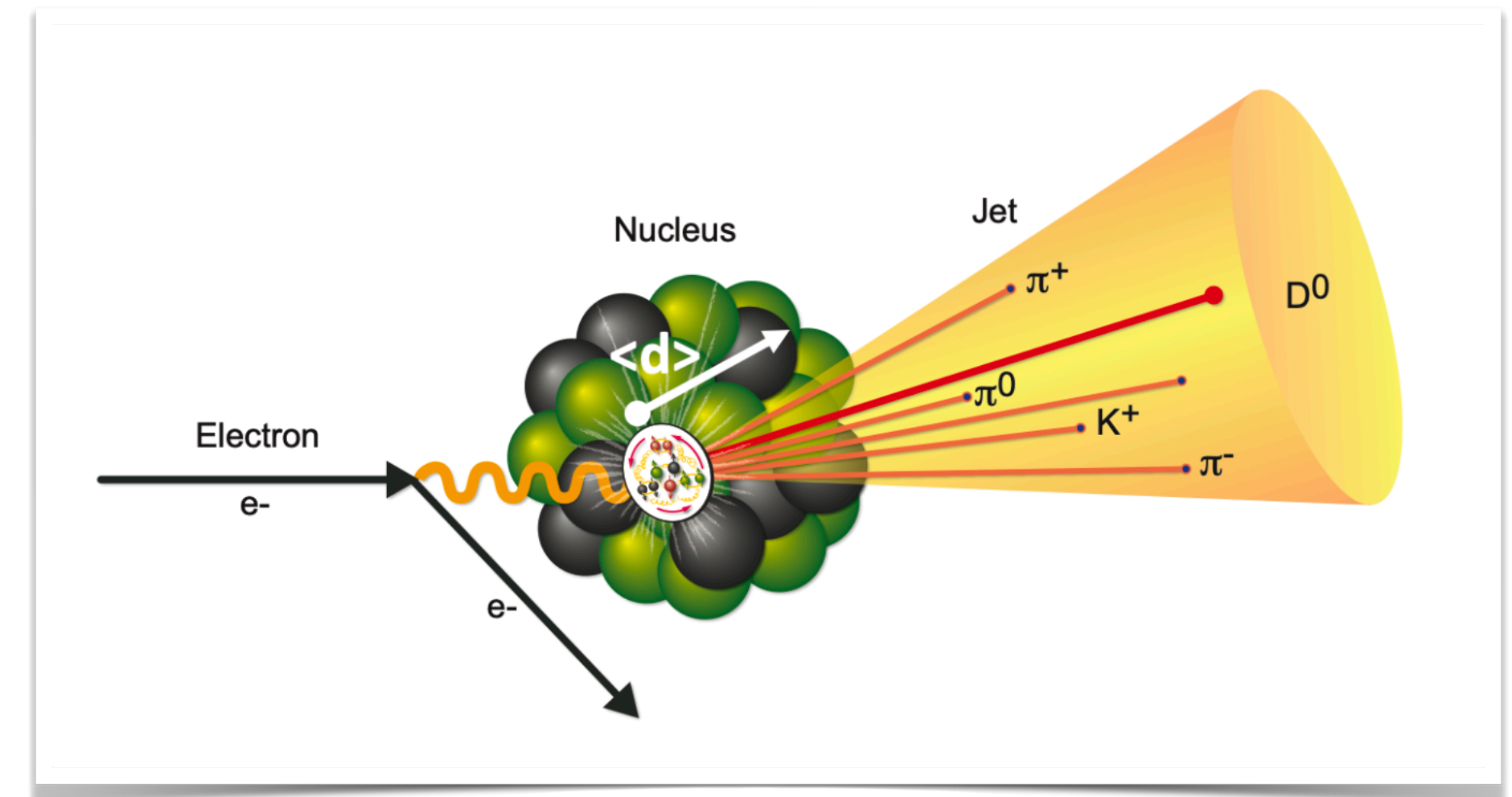
- nucleon and nuclear spin structure
- nuclear PDFs
- gluon saturation
- .....

Jet or hadron  $p_T$  spectrum at an EIC

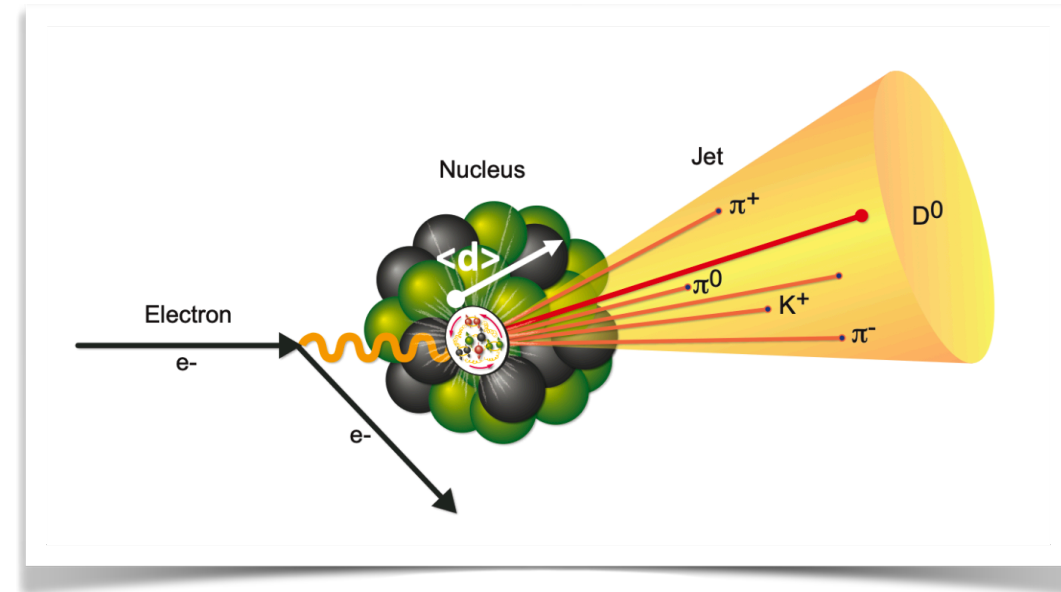
- to go as low as possible in  $p_T$  to ensure enough statistics
- to go as high as possible in  $p_T$  for substructures to avoid large NP

## Main Motivation

- to identify kinematic region where nuclear matter effect is relative large
- to disentangle the effects from nuclear PDFs and final state interaction
- to identify the mass effects using heavy flavor jet and hadron production



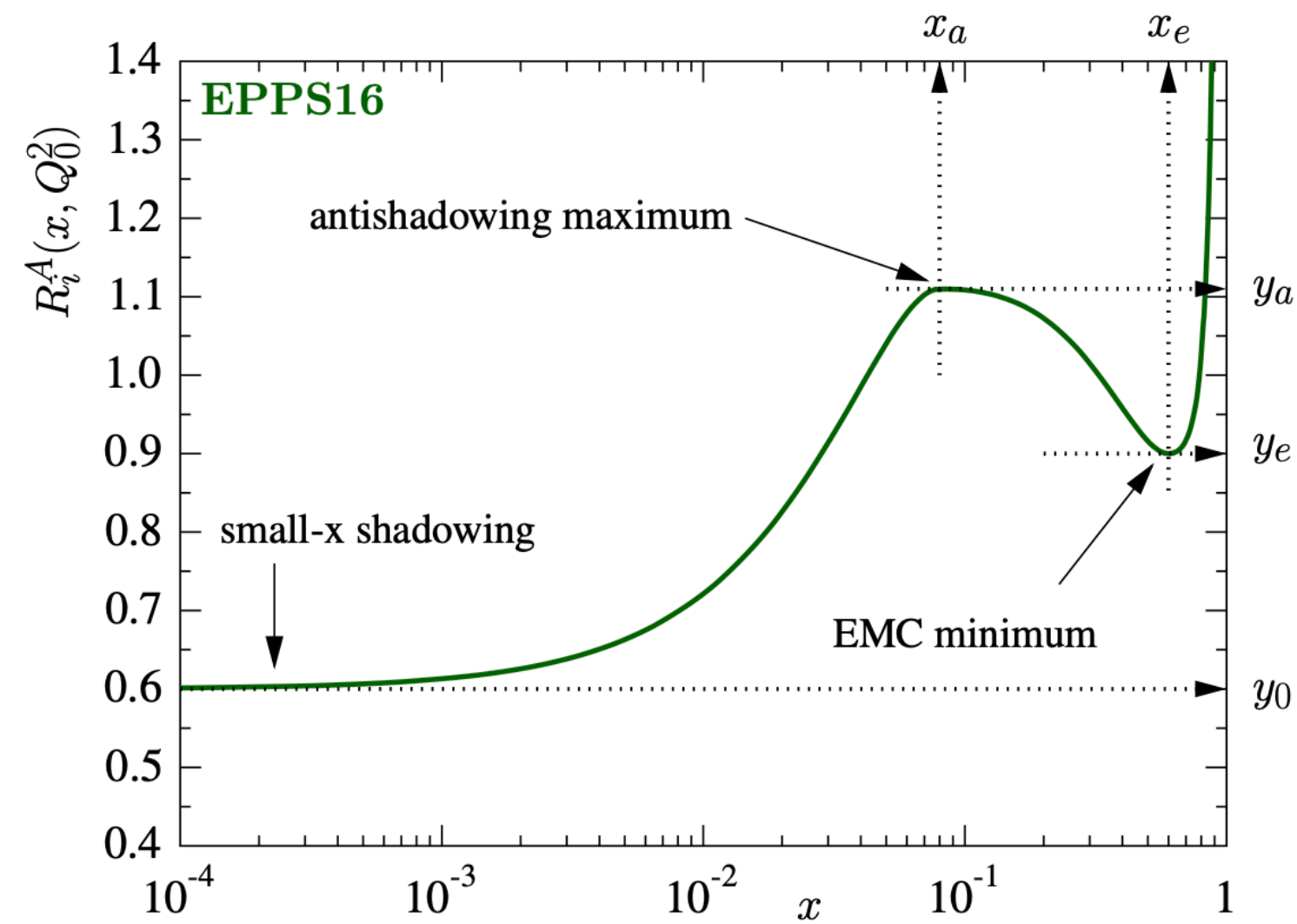
# Introduction



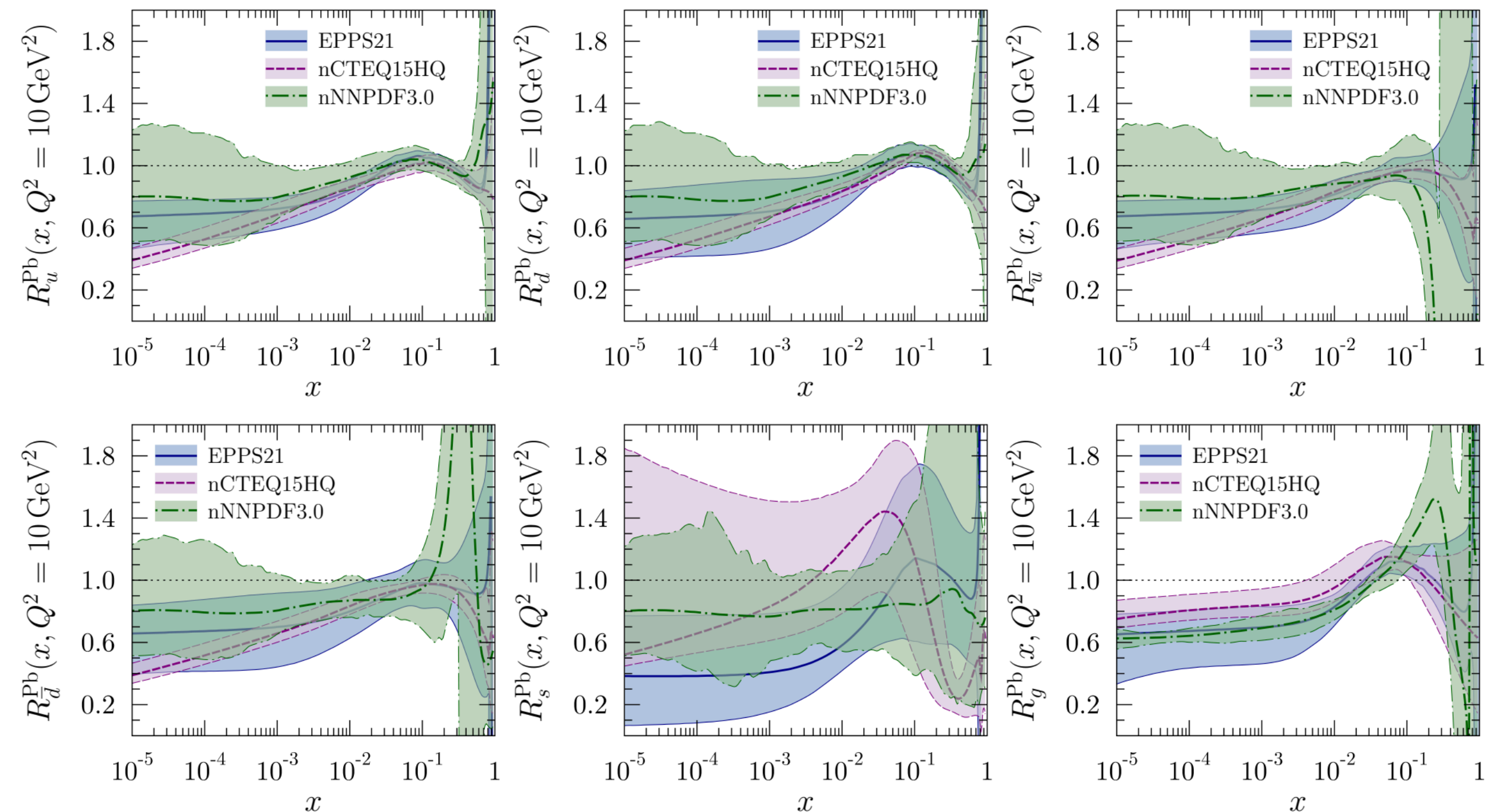
## Difference between e+p and e+A collisions

1. Initial-state effects: parton densities are different, included in global-fit nuclear PDFs, or from Lattice QCD

$$f_i^{(A,Z)}(x, Q) = \frac{Z}{A} f_i^{p/A}(x, Q) + \frac{A-Z}{A} f_i^{n/A}(x, Q)$$

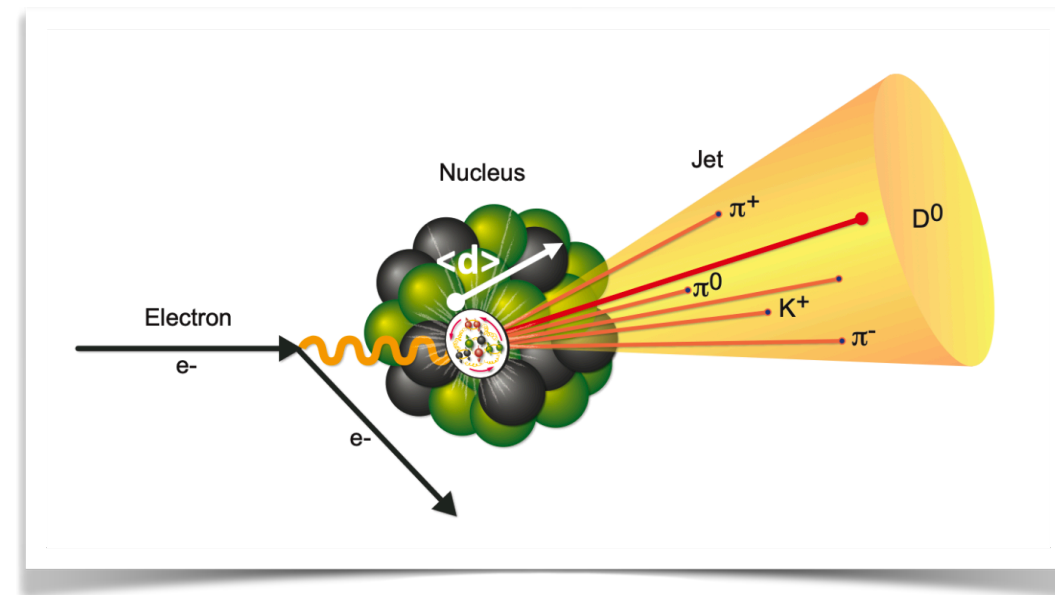


*nCTEQ15, EPPS21, nNNPDF3.0, TUJU21, KSASG20 et al*



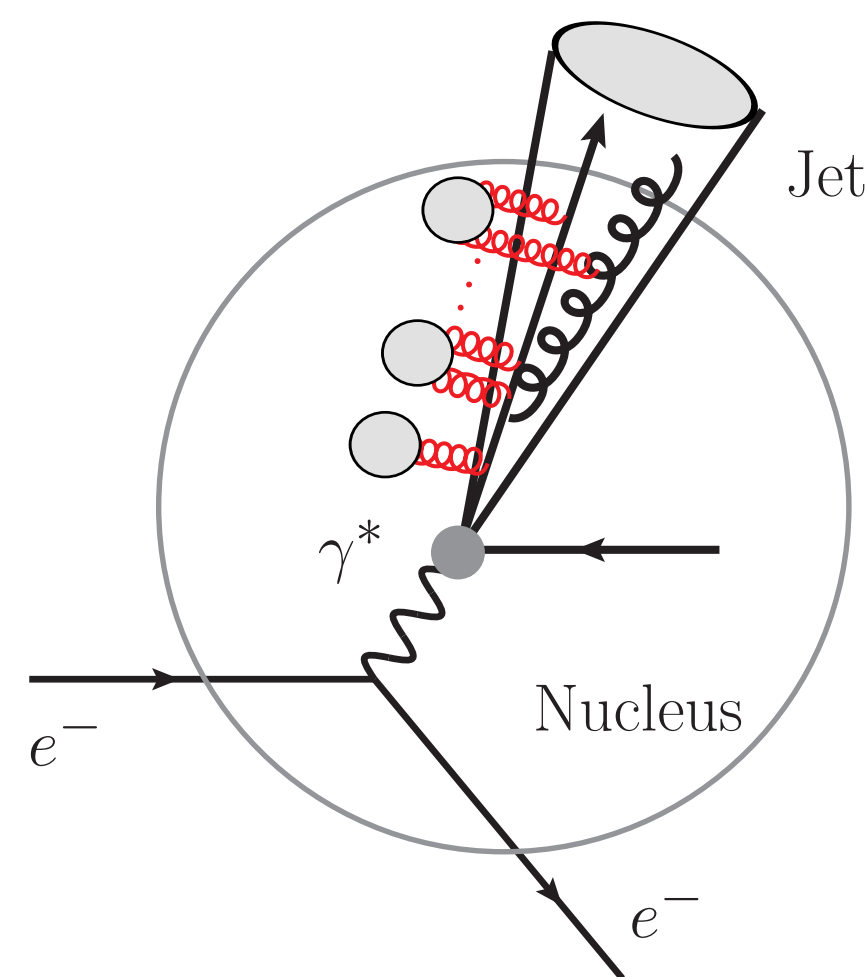
*Klasen, Paukkunen, arXiv: 2311.00450*

# Introduction



## Difference between e+p and e+A collisions

### 2. Final State effects from interactions between jet and nuclear matter



In-medium parton showers for parton propagating through medium

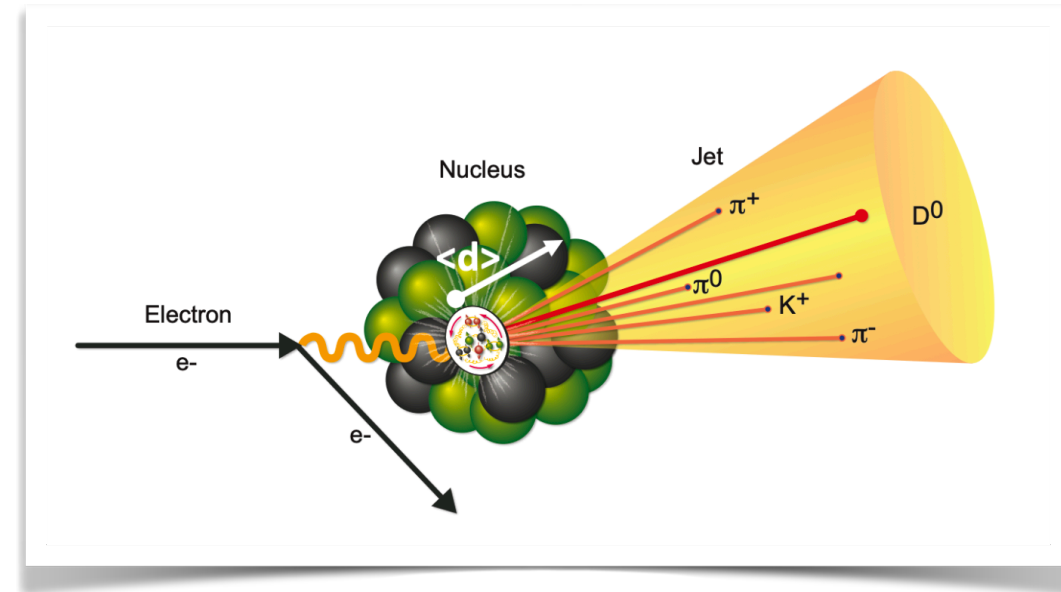
Many methods to calculate the medium modified splitting process for a energetic parton in QCD medium

In our works, we used the functions with SCET<sub>G</sub>

For example  $q \rightarrow qg$  splitting function

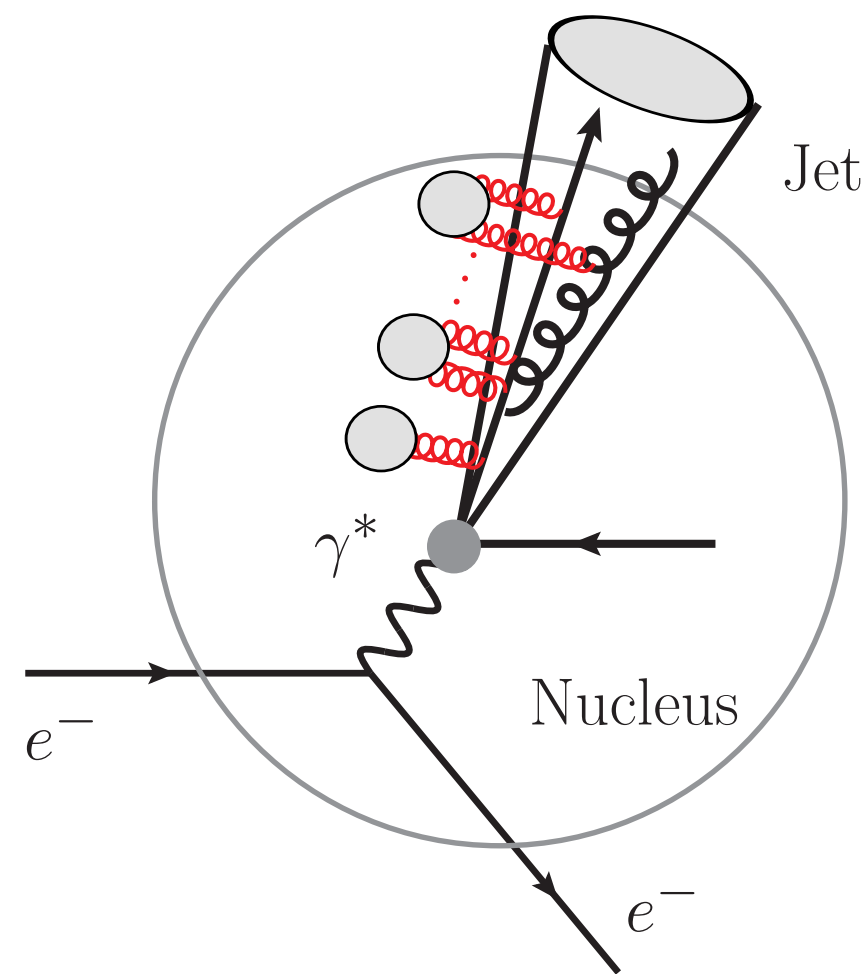
$$\frac{dN}{dx} \sim \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 1} \\ \text{Diagram 2} \\ \text{Diagram 3} \end{array} \right|^2 + 2\text{Re} \left[ \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 4} \\ \text{Diagram 5} \\ \text{Diagram 6} \end{array} \right] \times \text{Diagram 7}$$

# Introduction



## Difference between e+p and e+A collisions

### 2. Final State effects from interactions between jet and nuclear matter



In-medium parton showers for parton propagating through medium

Many methods to calculate the medium modified splitting process for an energetic parton in QCD medium

In our works, we used the functions with SCET<sub>G</sub>

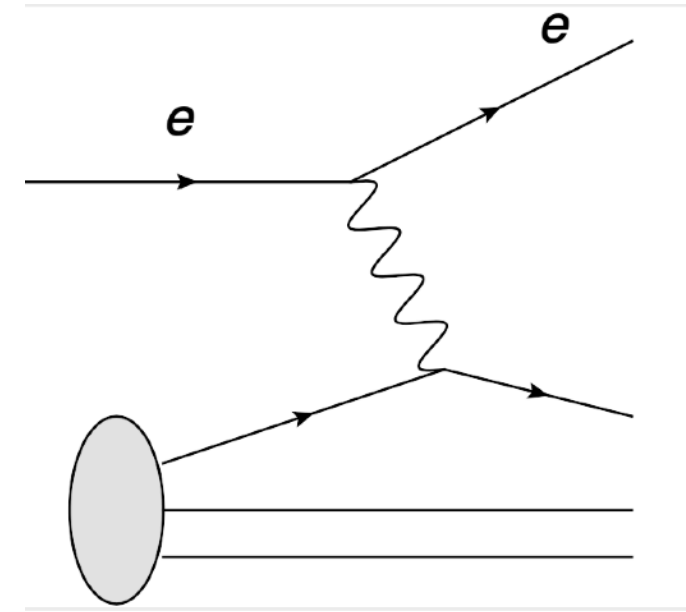
For example  $q \rightarrow qg$  splitting function

$$\left( \frac{dN}{dx d^2 \mathbf{k}_\perp} \right)_{q \rightarrow qg} = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi^2} C_F \frac{1+(1-x)^2}{x} \int \frac{d\Delta z}{\lambda_g(z)} \int d^2 \mathbf{q}_\perp \frac{1}{\sigma_{el}} \frac{d\sigma_{el}^{\text{medium}}}{d^2 \mathbf{q}_\perp} \left[ \frac{B_\perp}{B_\perp^2} \cdot \left( \frac{B_\perp}{B_\perp^2} - \frac{C_\perp}{C_\perp^2} \right) \right. \\ \times (1 - \cos[(\Omega_1 - \Omega_2)\Delta z]) + \frac{C_\perp}{C_\perp^2} \cdot \left( 2 \frac{C_\perp}{C_\perp^2} - \frac{A_\perp}{A_\perp^2} - \frac{B_\perp}{B_\perp^2} \right) (1 - \cos[(\Omega_1 - \Omega_3)\Delta z]) \\ + \frac{B_\perp}{B_\perp^2} \cdot \frac{C_\perp}{C_\perp^2} (1 - \cos[(\Omega_2 - \Omega_3)\Delta z]) + \frac{A_\perp}{A_\perp^2} \cdot \left( \frac{D_\perp}{D_\perp^2} - \frac{A_\perp}{A_\perp^2} \right) (1 - \cos[\Omega_4 \Delta z]) \\ \left. - \frac{A_\perp}{A_\perp^2} \cdot \frac{D_\perp}{D_\perp^2} (1 - \cos[\Omega_5 \Delta z]) + \frac{1}{N_c^2} \frac{B_\perp}{B_\perp^2} \cdot \left( \frac{A_\perp}{A_\perp^2} - \frac{B_\perp}{B_\perp^2} \right) (1 - \cos[(\Omega_1 - \Omega_2)\Delta z]) \right],$$

# Jet@EIC

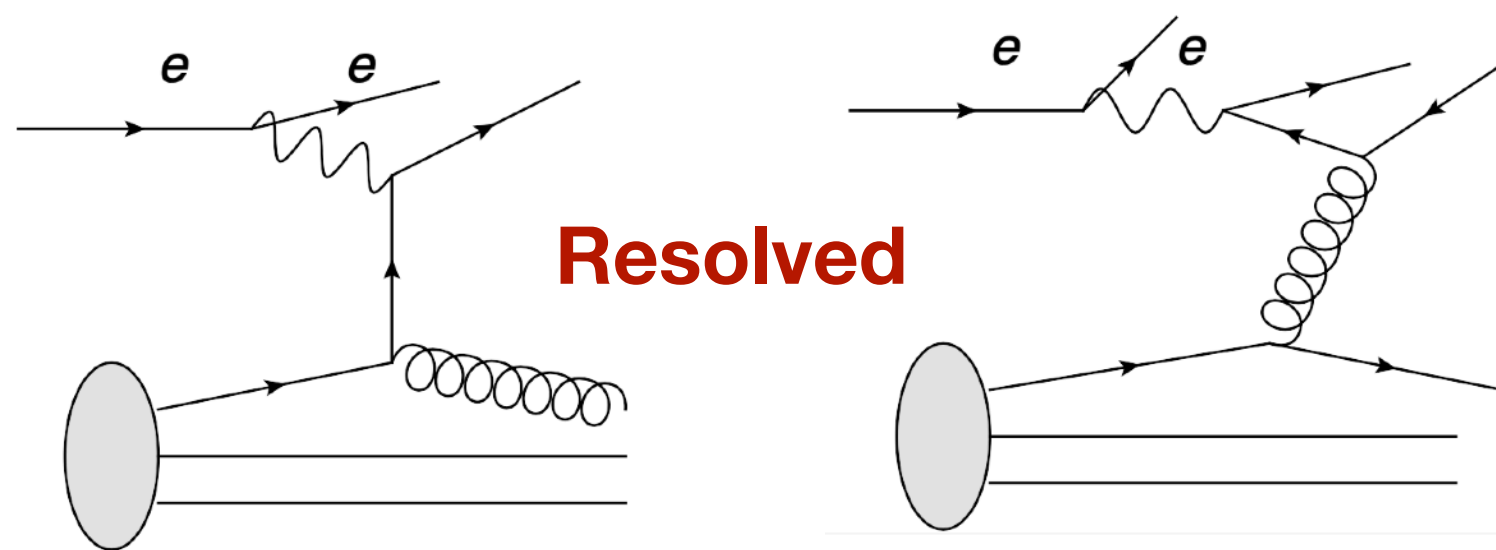
## Jet Inclusive cross section

Comparison between NLO and factorized cross section



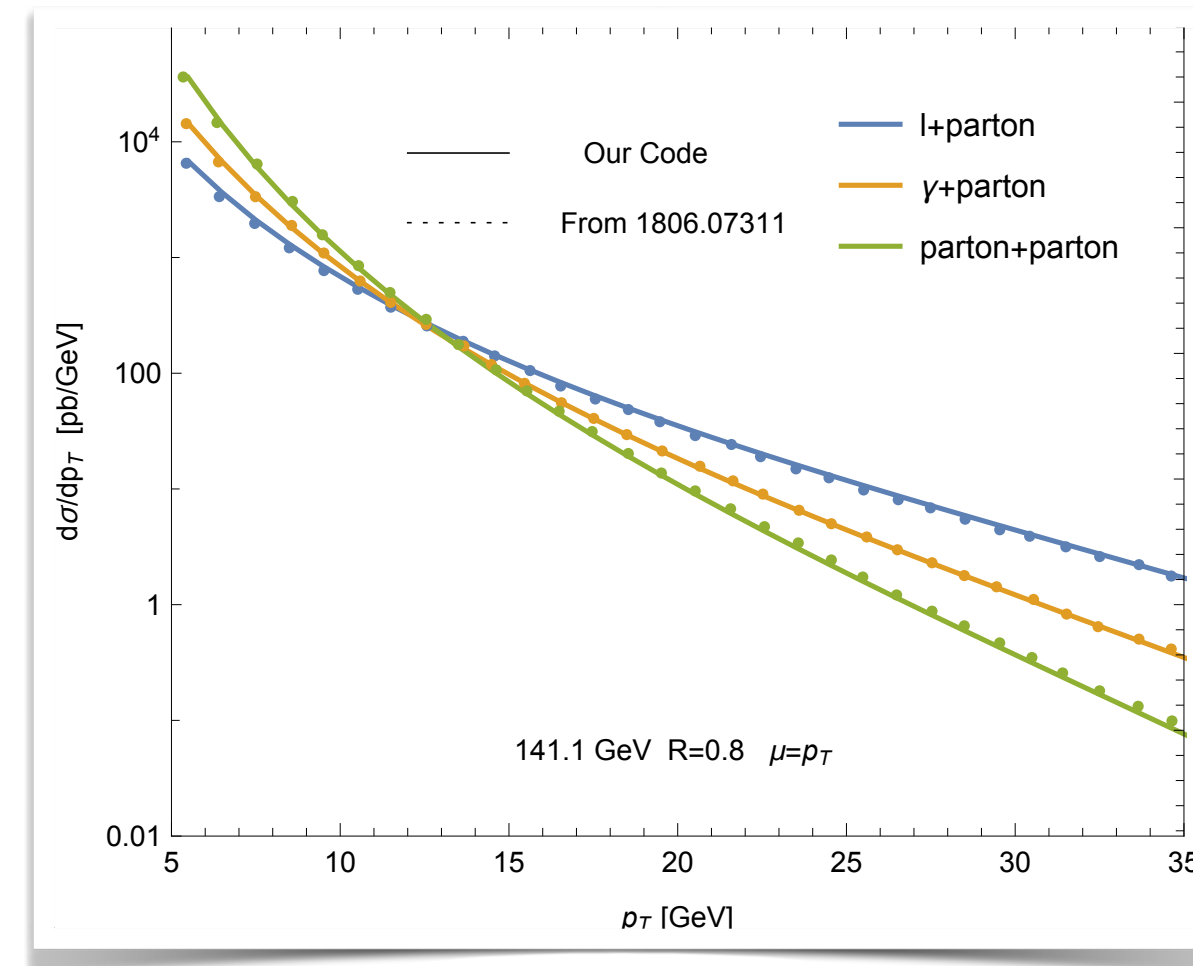
Large Q

Weizsacker-Williams quasi real photon



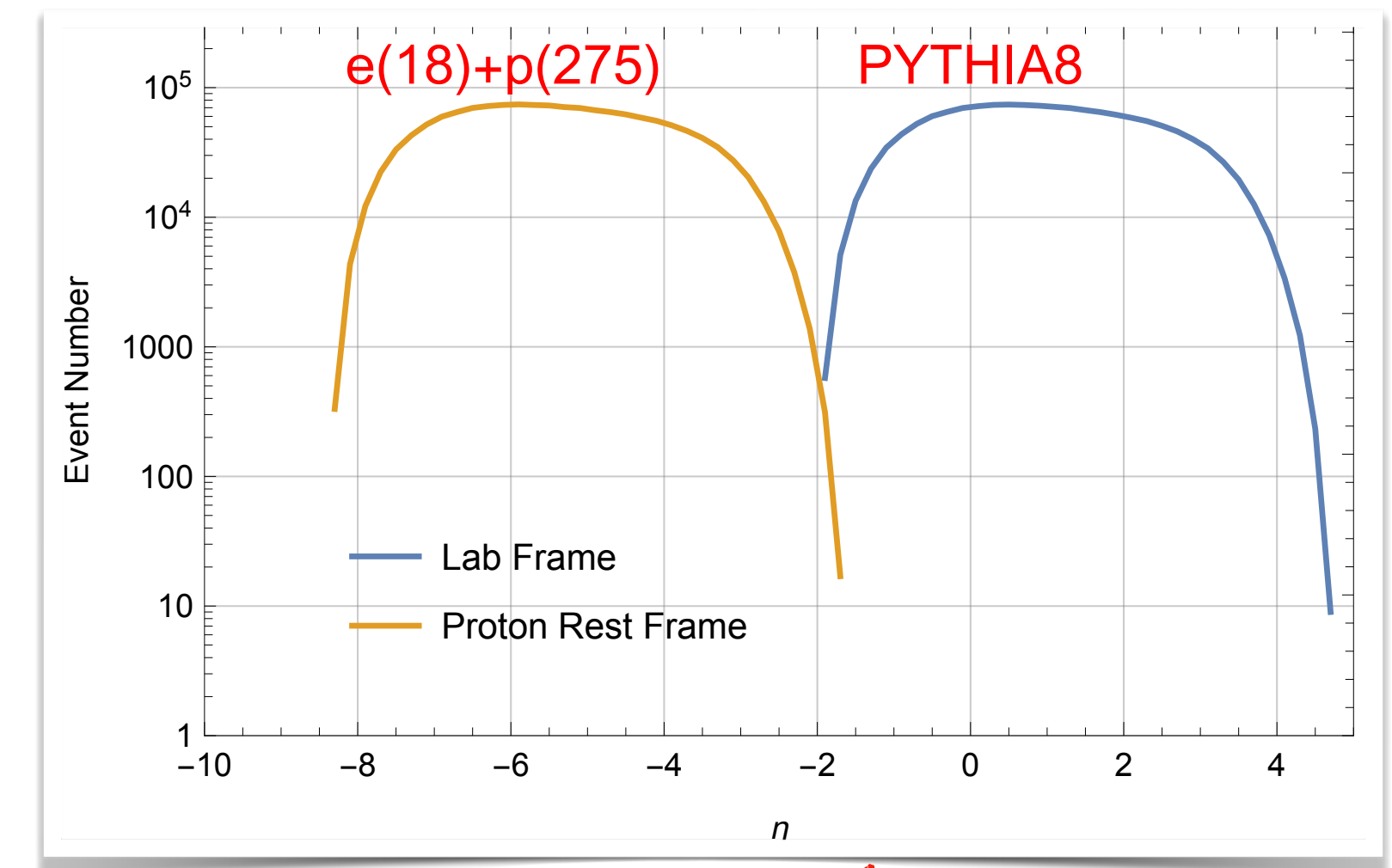
Small Q  
Effective Photon PDF  
from lepton

Small Q  
Quark PDF from  
lepton



NLO results from Boughezal, Petriello, Xing, arXiv:1806.07311

Large Corrections from photon production and resolved contribution in small  $p_T$



From Lab to the proton rest frame

In-medium shower corrections vary with the parton energy in the nuclear rest frame, where the lower energy partons receive larger medium corrections.

# Jet@EIC

## Jet Inclusive cross section

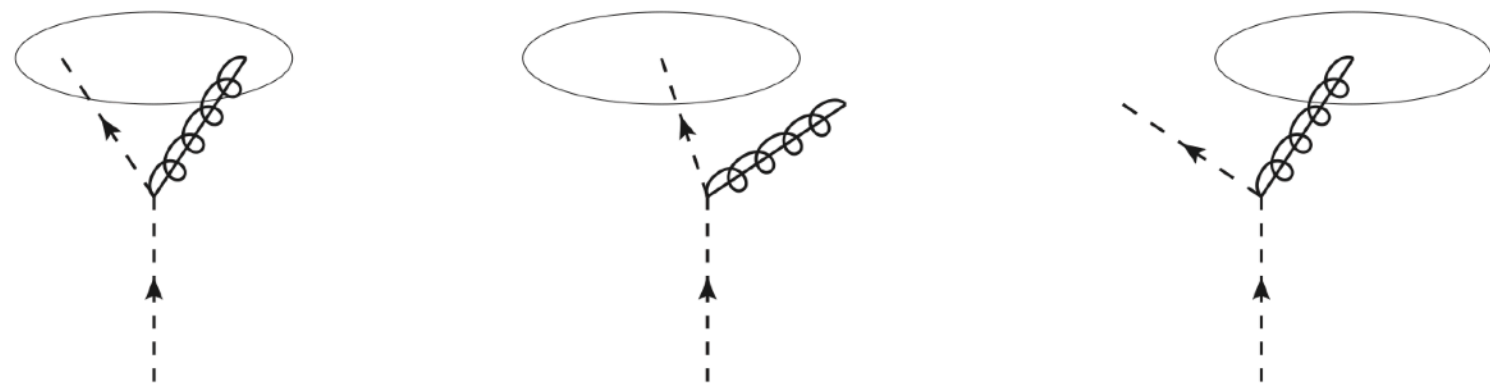
The inclusive jet cross section can be expressed in a factorized form with the help of semi-inclusive jet functions

$$\frac{d\sigma^{\ell N \rightarrow JX}}{dy_J d^2\mathbf{p}_{T,J}} = \frac{1}{S} \sum_{i,f} \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x} \int_0^1 \frac{dz}{z^2} f^{i/N}(x, \mu) \left[ \hat{\sigma}^{i \rightarrow f} + f_{\text{ren}}^{\gamma/\ell} \left( \frac{-t}{s+u}, \mu \right) \hat{\sigma}^{\gamma i \rightarrow f} \right] J_f(z, p_T R, \mu)$$

Hard part: arXiv:1505.06415

Light Jet Function: arXiv:1606.06732

Heavy Flavor Jet Function: arXiv:1805.06014

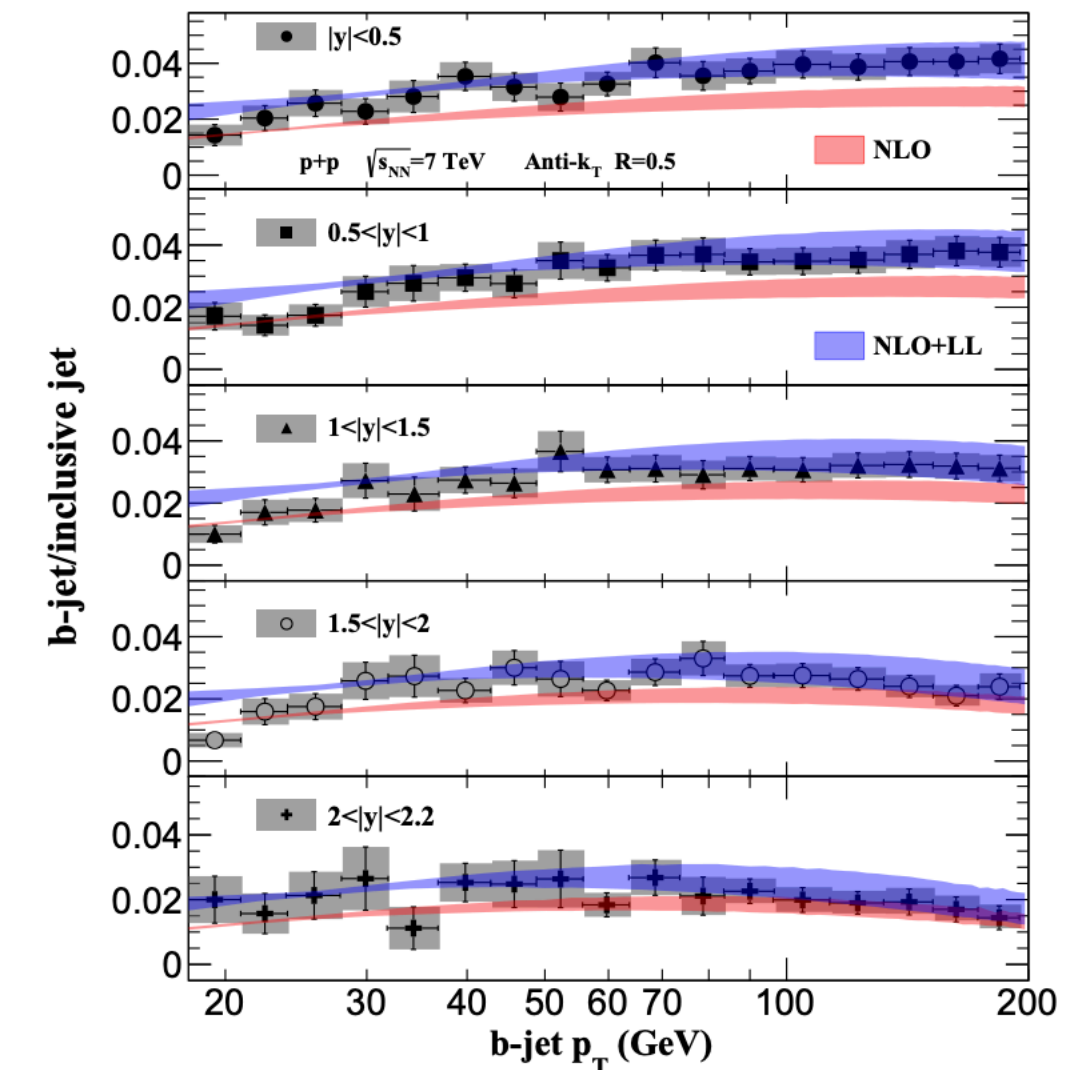
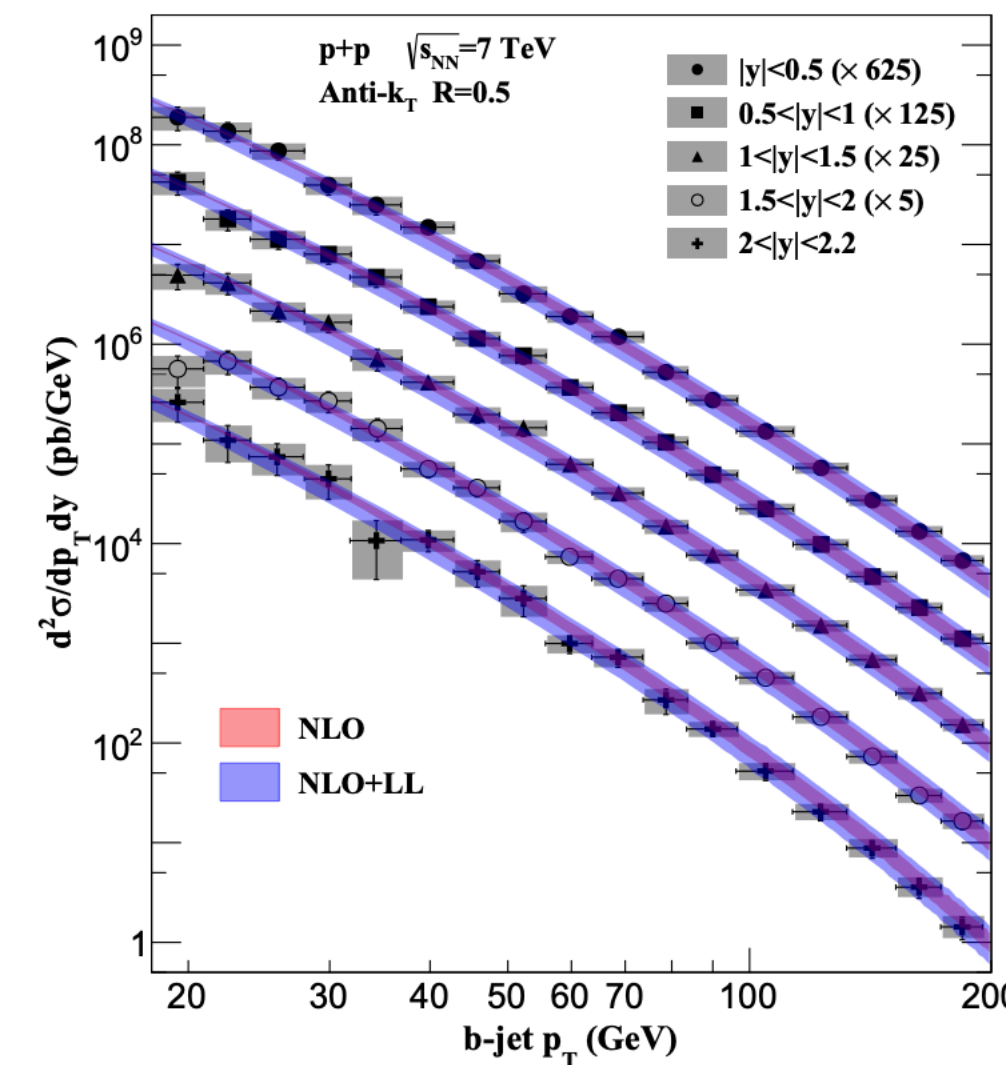
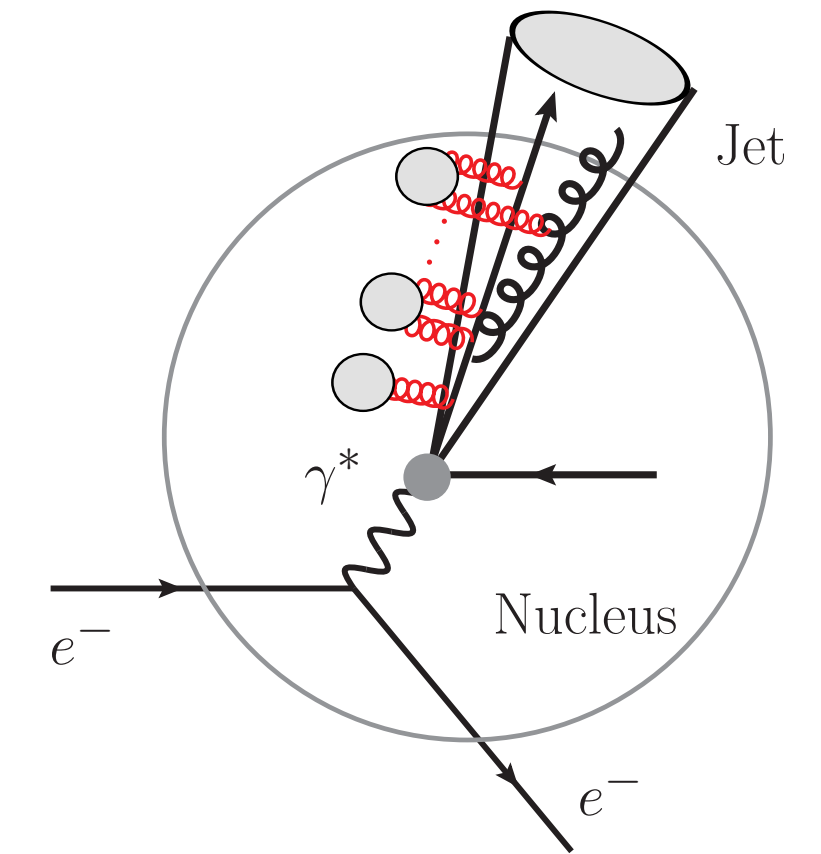
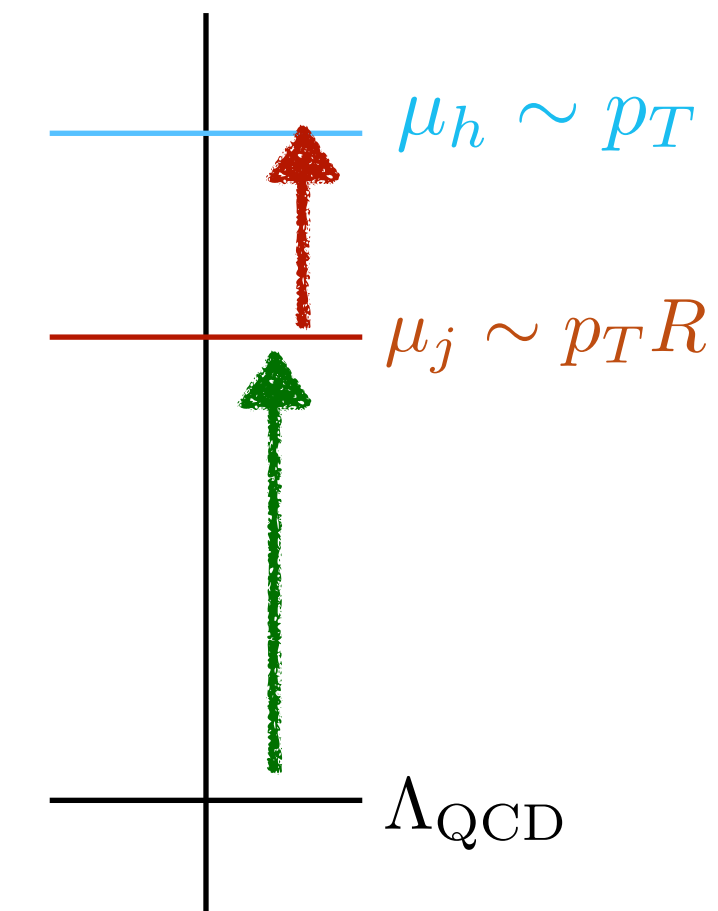


**Contribution to the semi-inclusive quark jet function with the medium modified splitting function from SCET<sub>G</sub>**

Kang, Ringer, Vitev, arXiv:1701.05839

HTL, Vitev, arXiv:1811.07905

scales



HTL, Vitev, arXiv:1811.07905

# Jet@EIC

## Jet Inclusive cross section

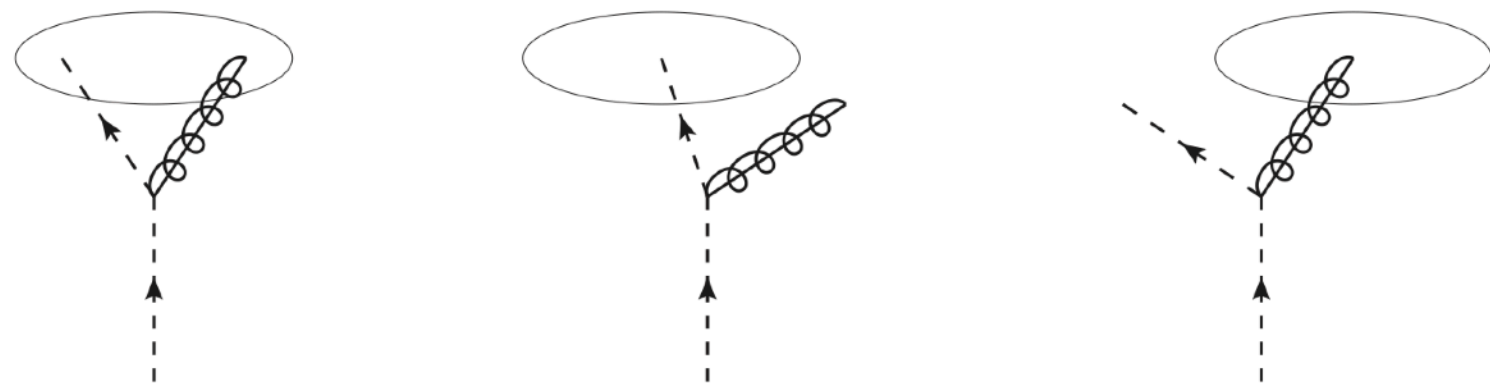
The inclusive jet cross section can be expressed in a factorized form with the help of semi-inclusive jet functions

$$\frac{d\sigma^{\ell N \rightarrow JX}}{dy_J d^2\mathbf{p}_{T,J}} = \frac{1}{S} \sum_{i,f} \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x} \int_0^1 \frac{dz}{z^2} f^{i/N}(x, \mu) \left[ \hat{\sigma}^{i \rightarrow f} + f_{\text{ren}}^{\gamma/\ell} \left( \frac{-t}{s+u}, \mu \right) \hat{\sigma}^{\gamma i \rightarrow f} \right] J_f(z, p_T R, \mu)$$

Hard part: arXiv:1505.06415

Light Jet Function: arXiv:1606.06732

Heavy Flavor Jet Function: arXiv:1805.06014

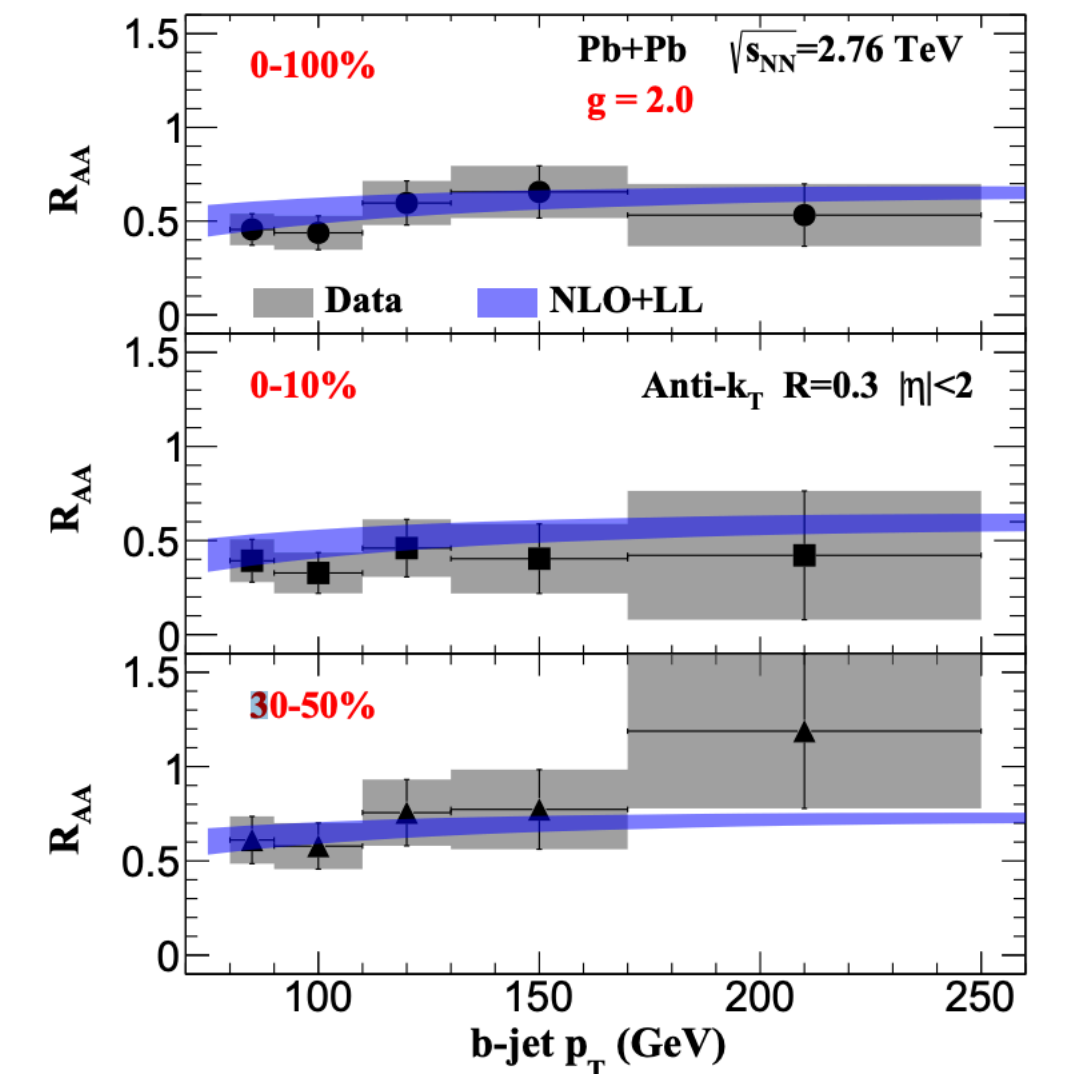
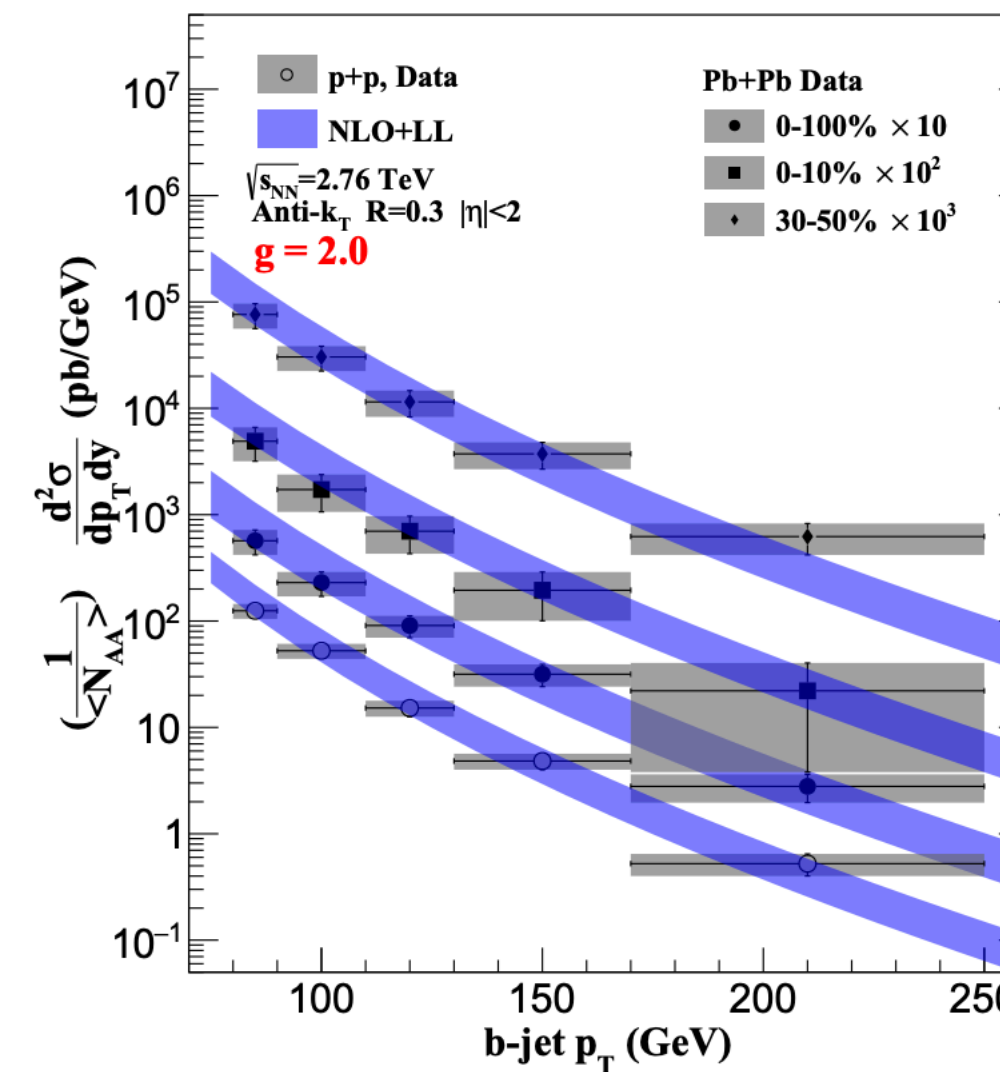
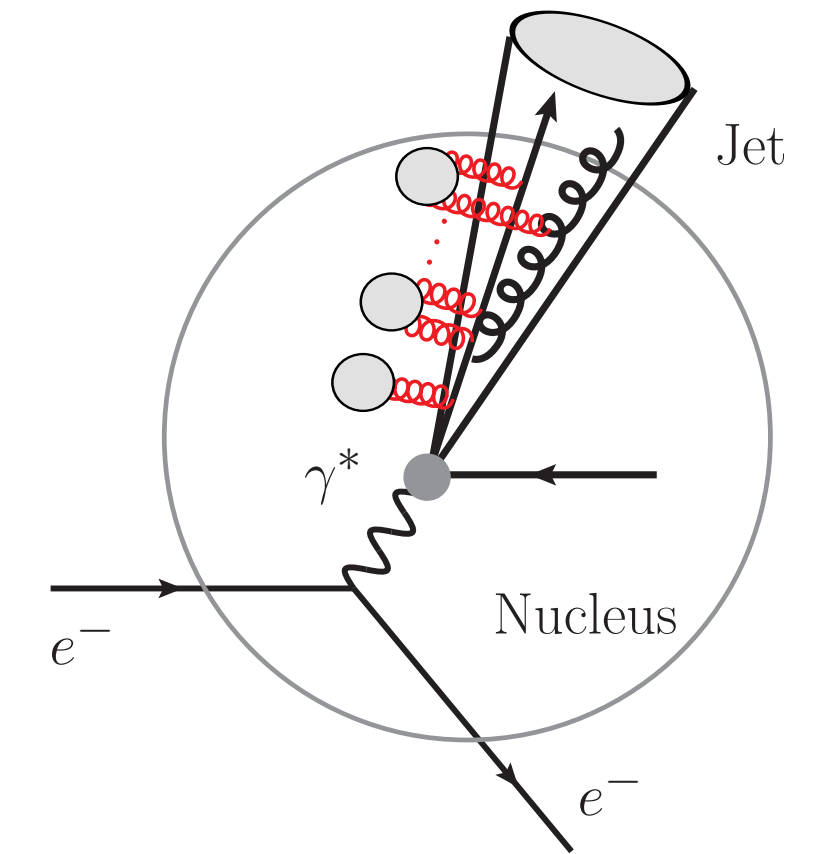
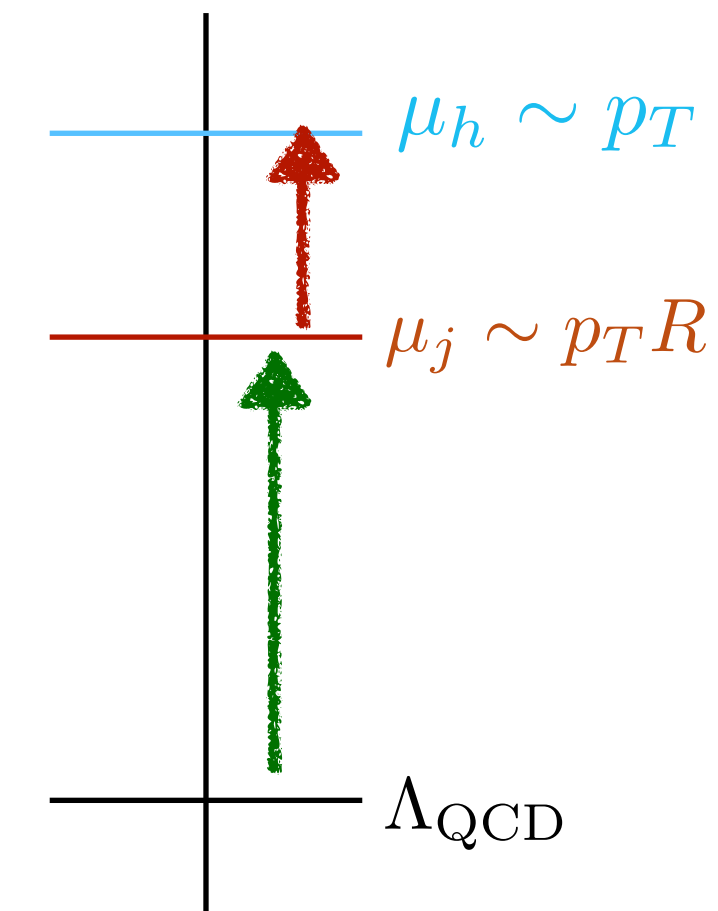


**Contribution to the semi-inclusive quark jet function with the medium modified splitting function from SCET<sub>G</sub>**

Kang, Ringer, Vitev, arXiv:1701.05839

HTL, Vitev, arXiv:1811.07905

scales



HTL, Vitev, arXiv:1811.07905



# Jet@EIC

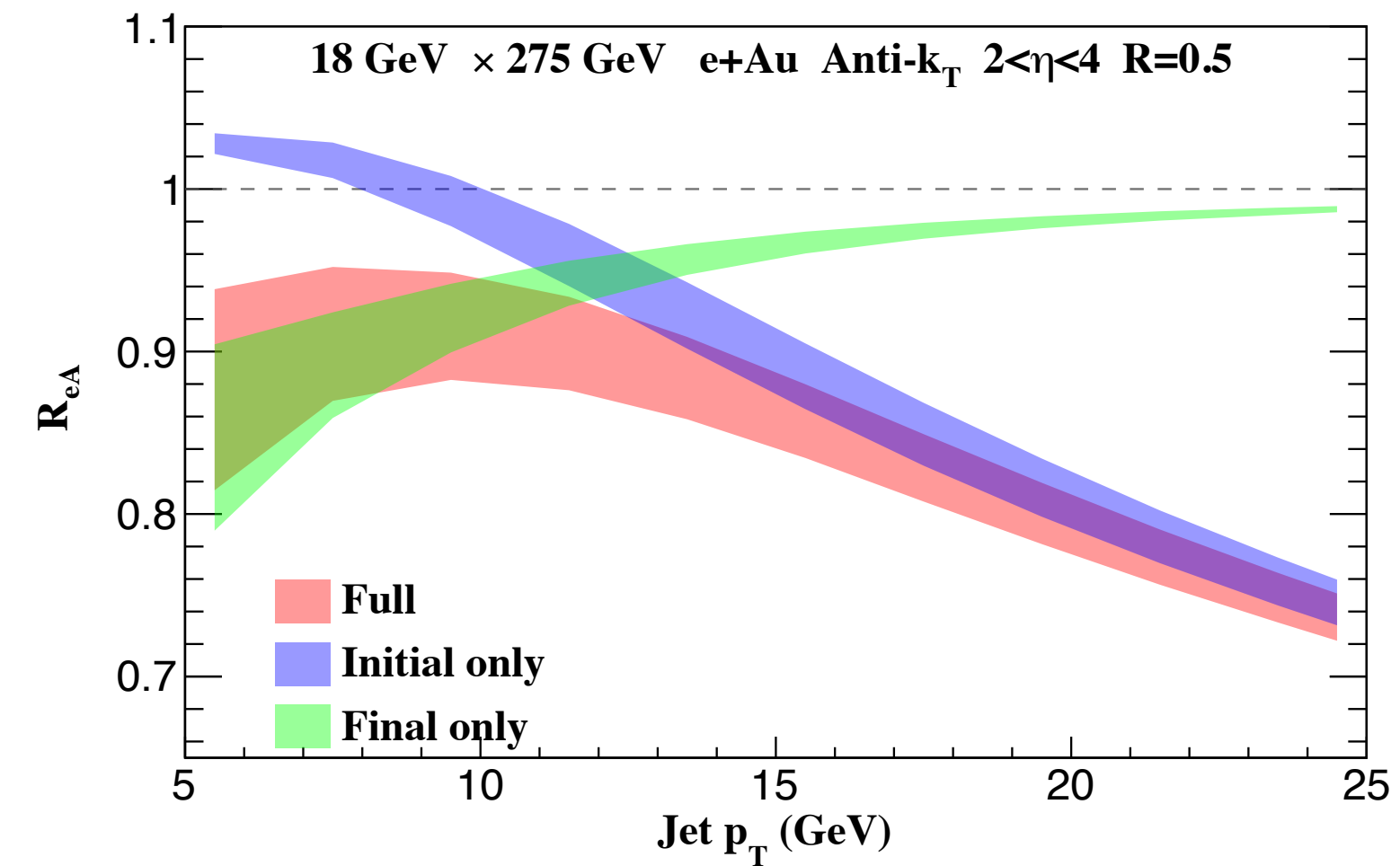
## Jet Inclusive cross section

The forward proton/nucleus going rapidity region  $2 < \eta < 4$  produce the largest nuclear effects.

Modifications defined as

$$R_{eA}(R) = \frac{1}{A} \frac{\int_{\eta_1}^{\eta_2} d\sigma / d\eta dp_T |_{e+A}}{\int_{\eta_1}^{\eta_2} d\sigma / d\eta dp_T |_{e+p}}$$

- Bjorken x in the anti-shadowing and EMC region
- Final State effects decreasing with  $p_T$  increasing
- Bands are scale uncertainties



# Jet@EIC

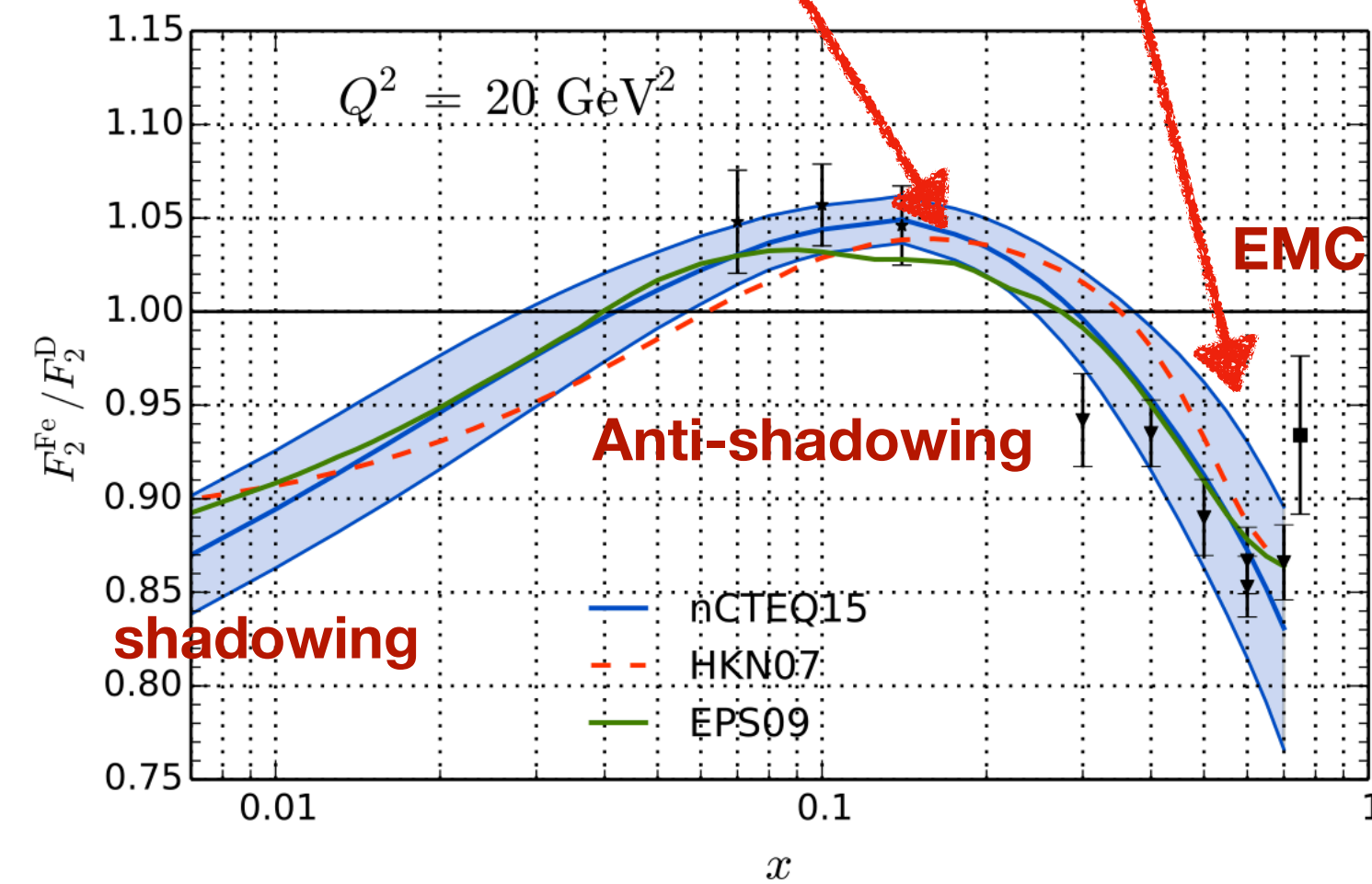
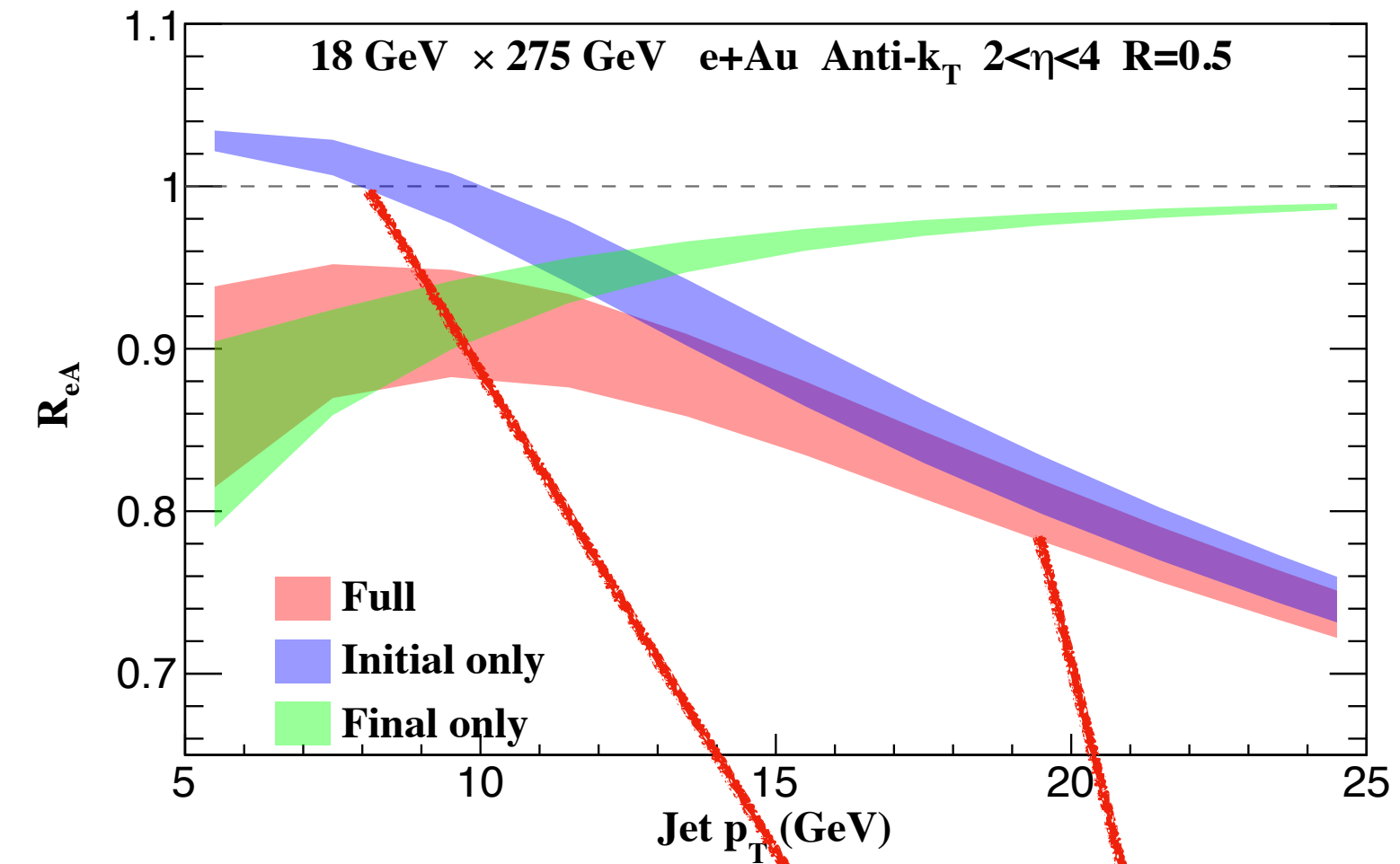
## Jet Inclusive cross section

The forward proton/nucleus going rapidity region  $2 < \eta < 4$  produce the largest nuclear effects.

Modifications defined as

$$R_{eA}(R) = \frac{1}{A} \frac{\int_{\eta_1}^{\eta_2} d\sigma / d\eta dp_T |_{e+A}}{\int_{\eta_1}^{\eta_2} d\sigma / d\eta dp_T |_{e+p}}$$

- Bjorken  $x$  in the anti-shadowing and EMC region
- Final State effects decreasing with  $p_T$  increasing
- Bands are scale uncertainties



Light jet, HTL, Vitev, arXiv:2010.05912

# Jet@EIC

## Jet Inclusive cross section

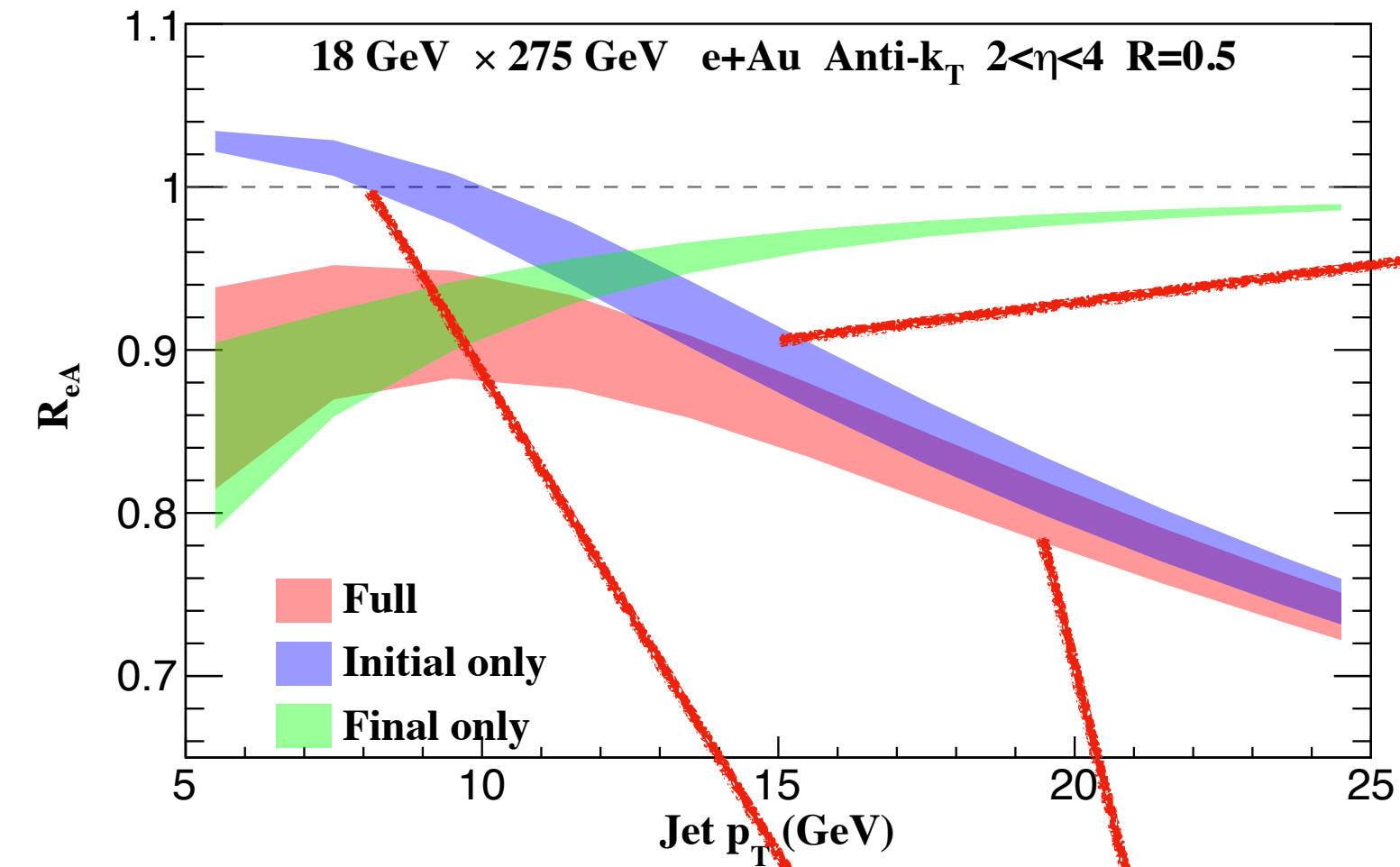
The forward proton/nucleus going rapidity region  $2 < \eta < 4$  produce the largest nuclear effects.

Modifications defined as

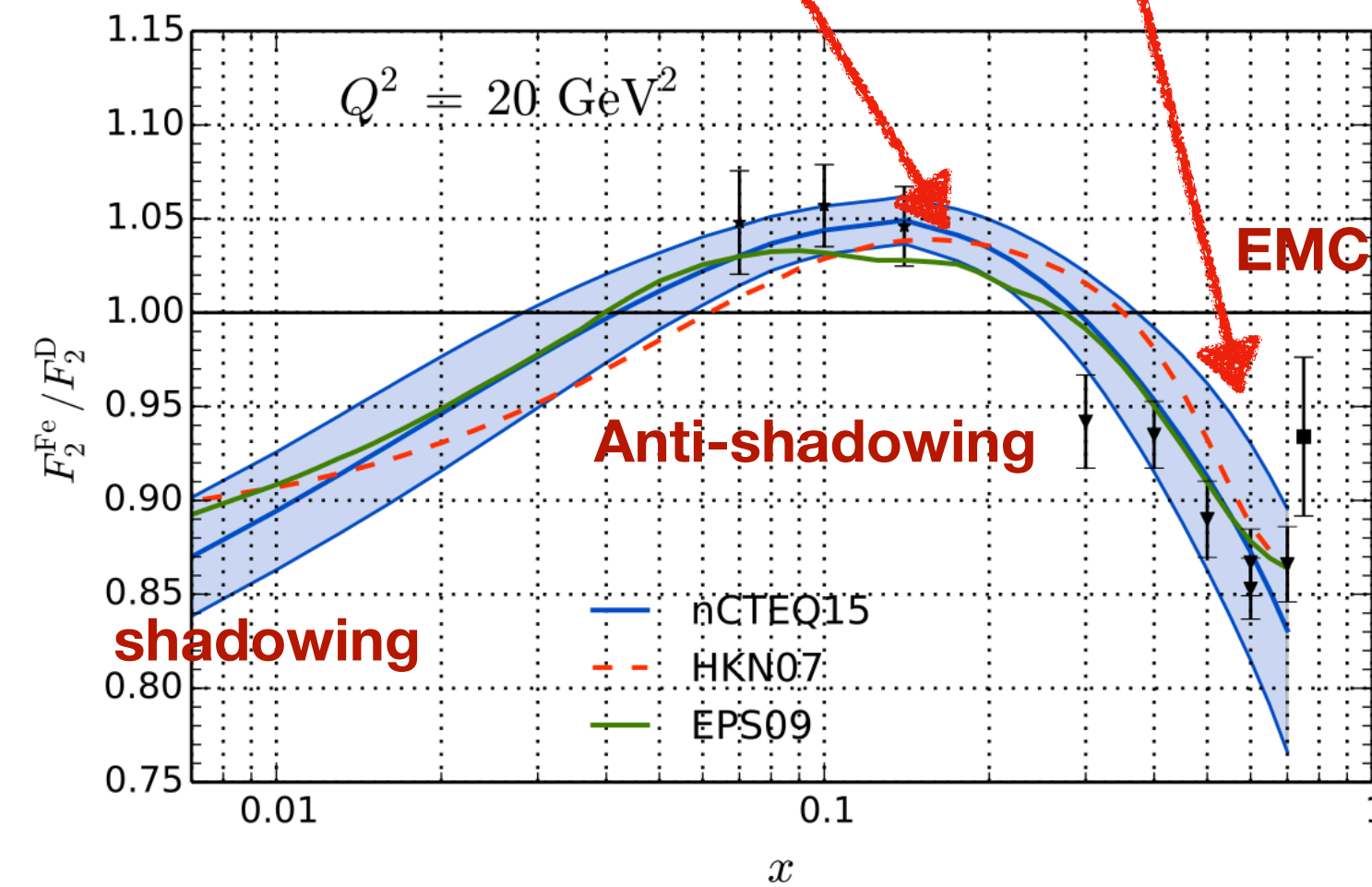
$$R_{eA}(R) = \frac{1}{A} \frac{\int_{\eta_1}^{\eta_2} d\sigma / d\eta dp_T |_{e+A}}{\int_{\eta_1}^{\eta_2} d\sigma / d\eta dp_T |_{e+p}}$$

- Bjorken  $x$  in the anti-shadowing and EMC region
- Final State effects decreasing with  $p_T$  increasing
- Bands are scale uncertainties

Light jet, HTL, Vitev, arXiv:2010.05912



expect to be  
R dependent



# Jet@EIC

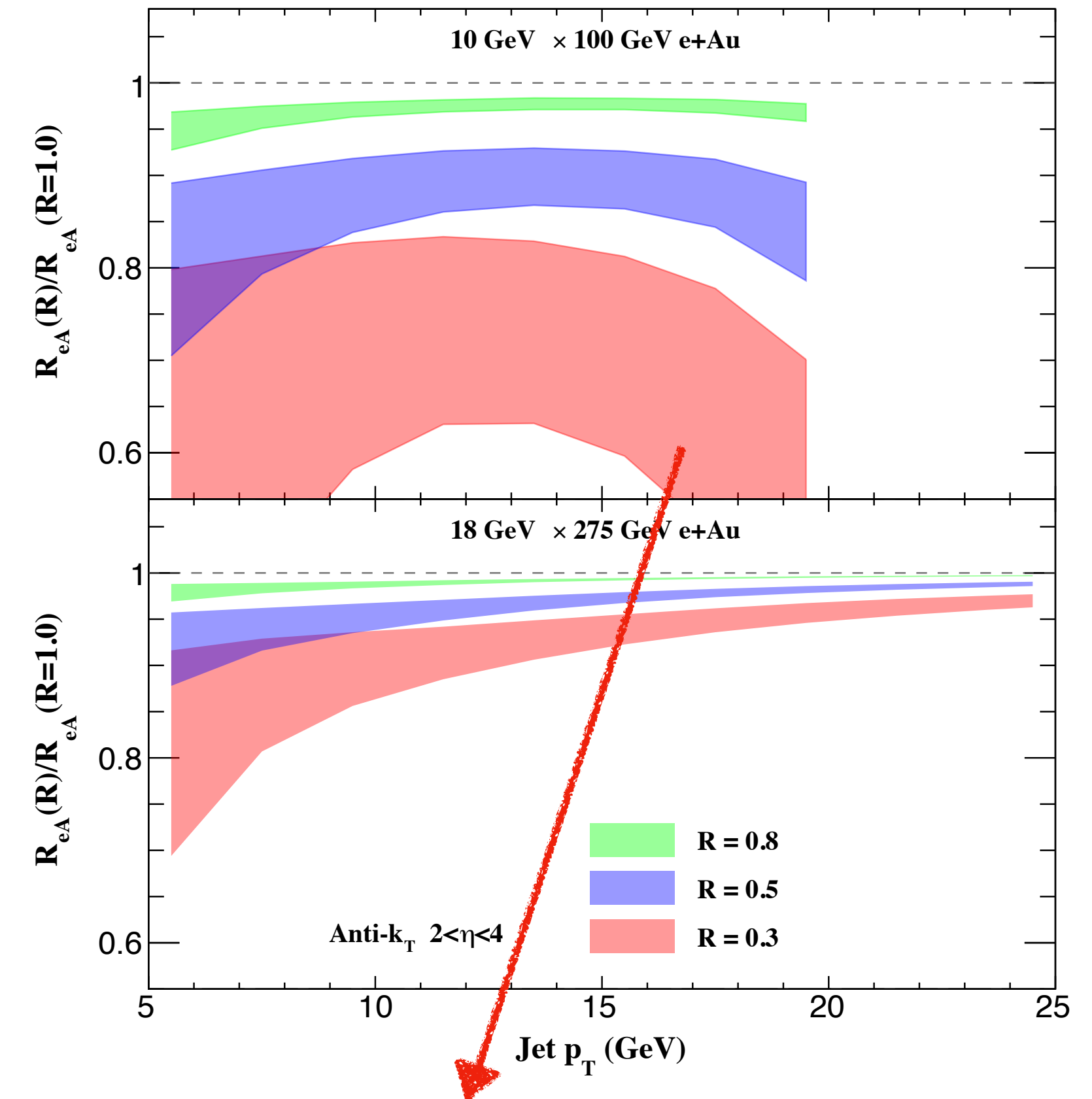
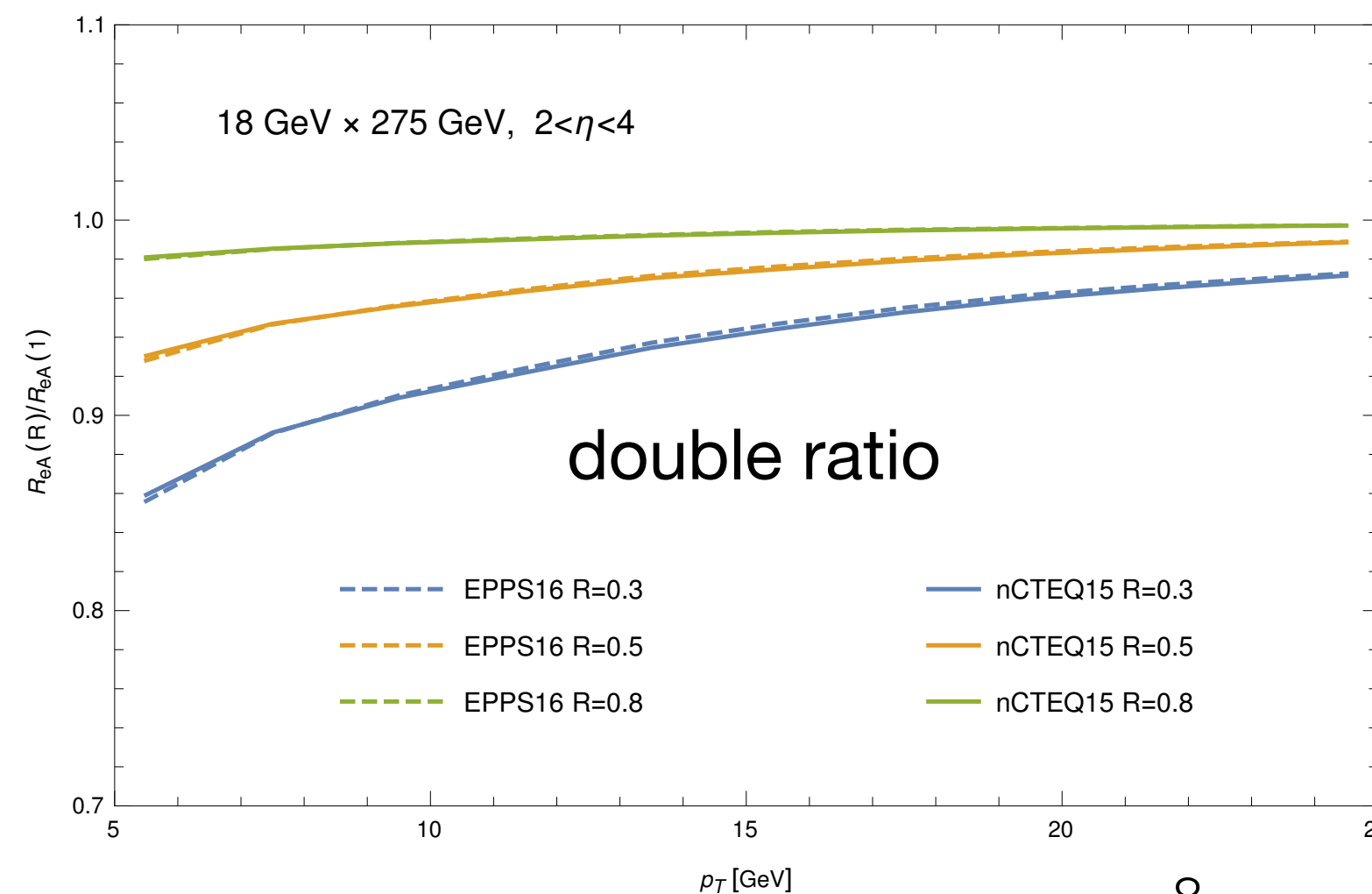
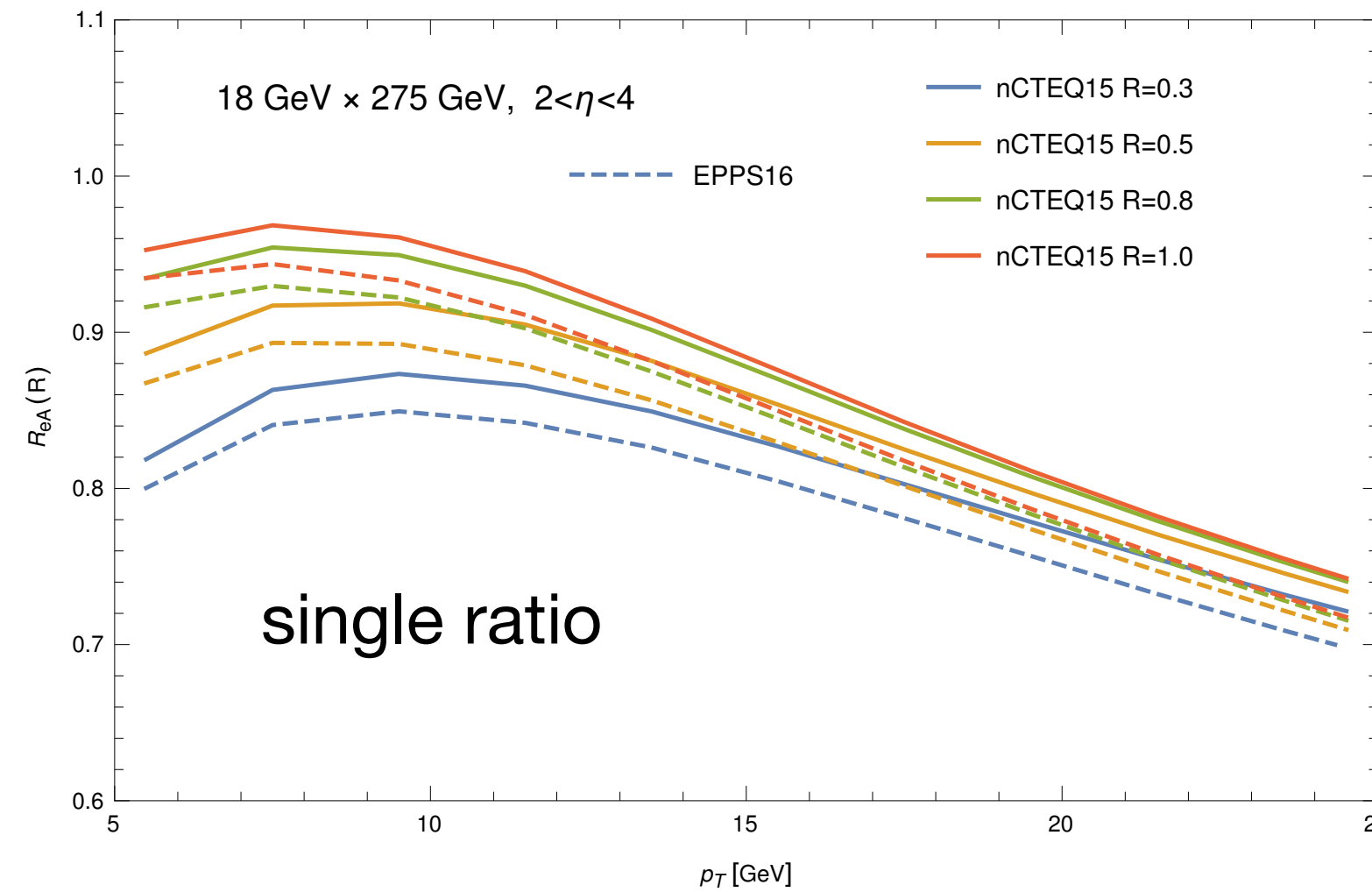
## Jet Inclusive cross section

We proposed the double ratio

$$\frac{R_{eA}(R)}{R_{eA}(R=1)}$$

- Essential reduce the role of nPDFs
- Enhance the effects due to final-state interactions

HTL, Vitev, arXiv:2010.05912

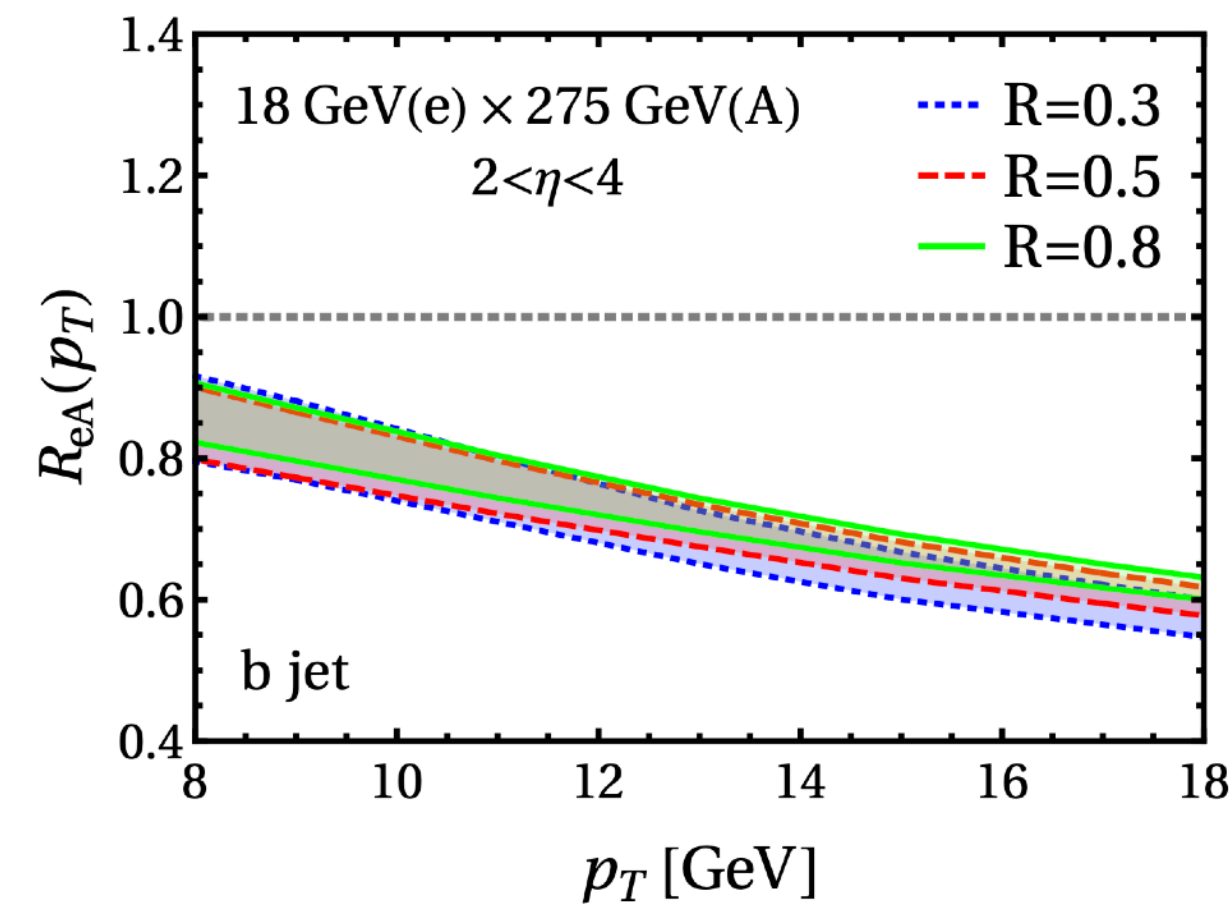
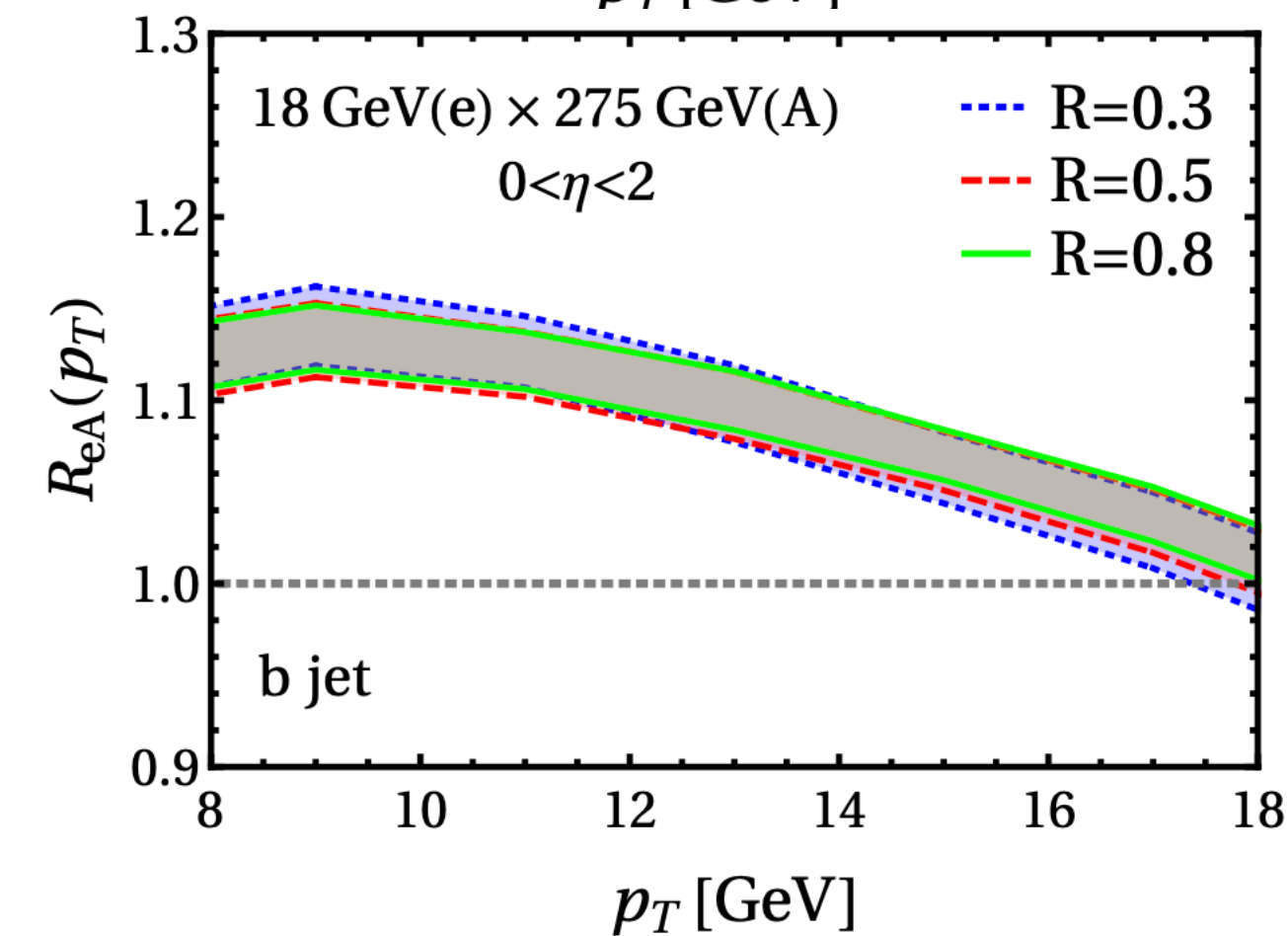
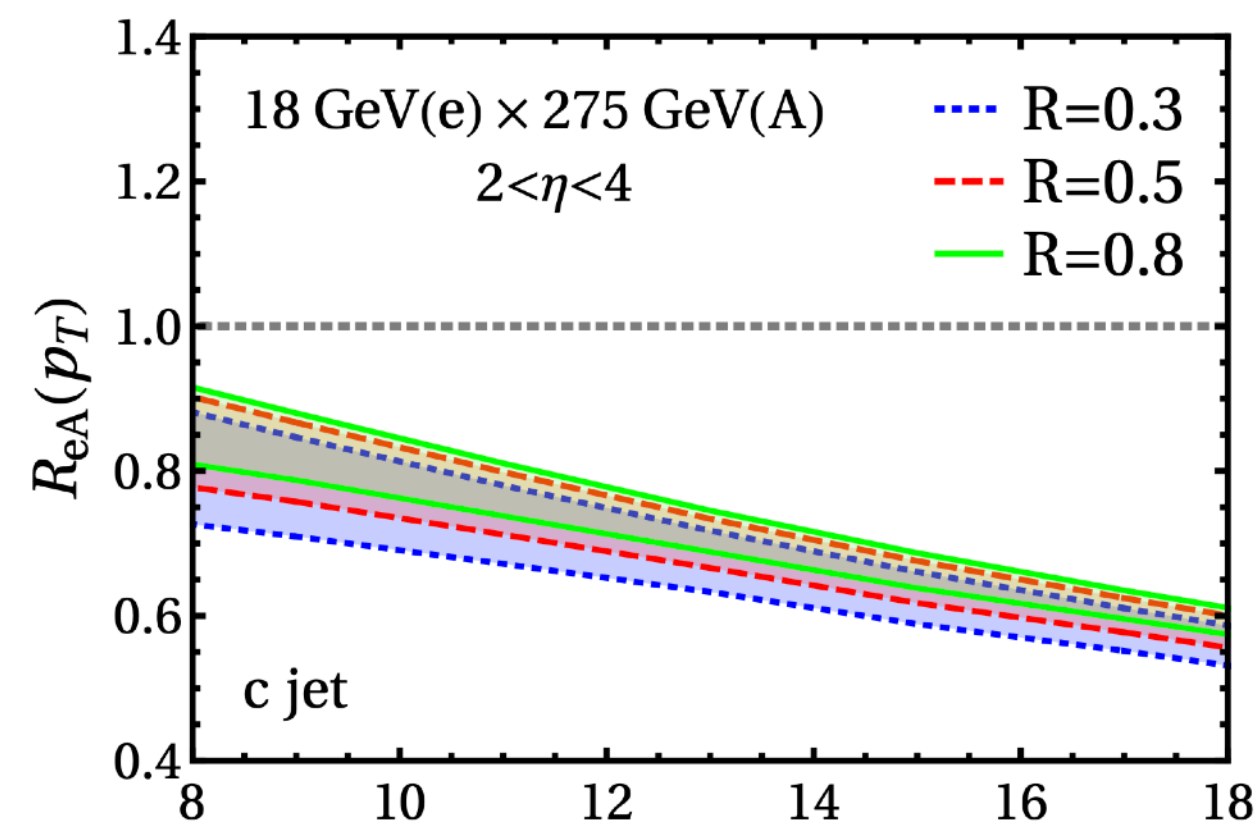
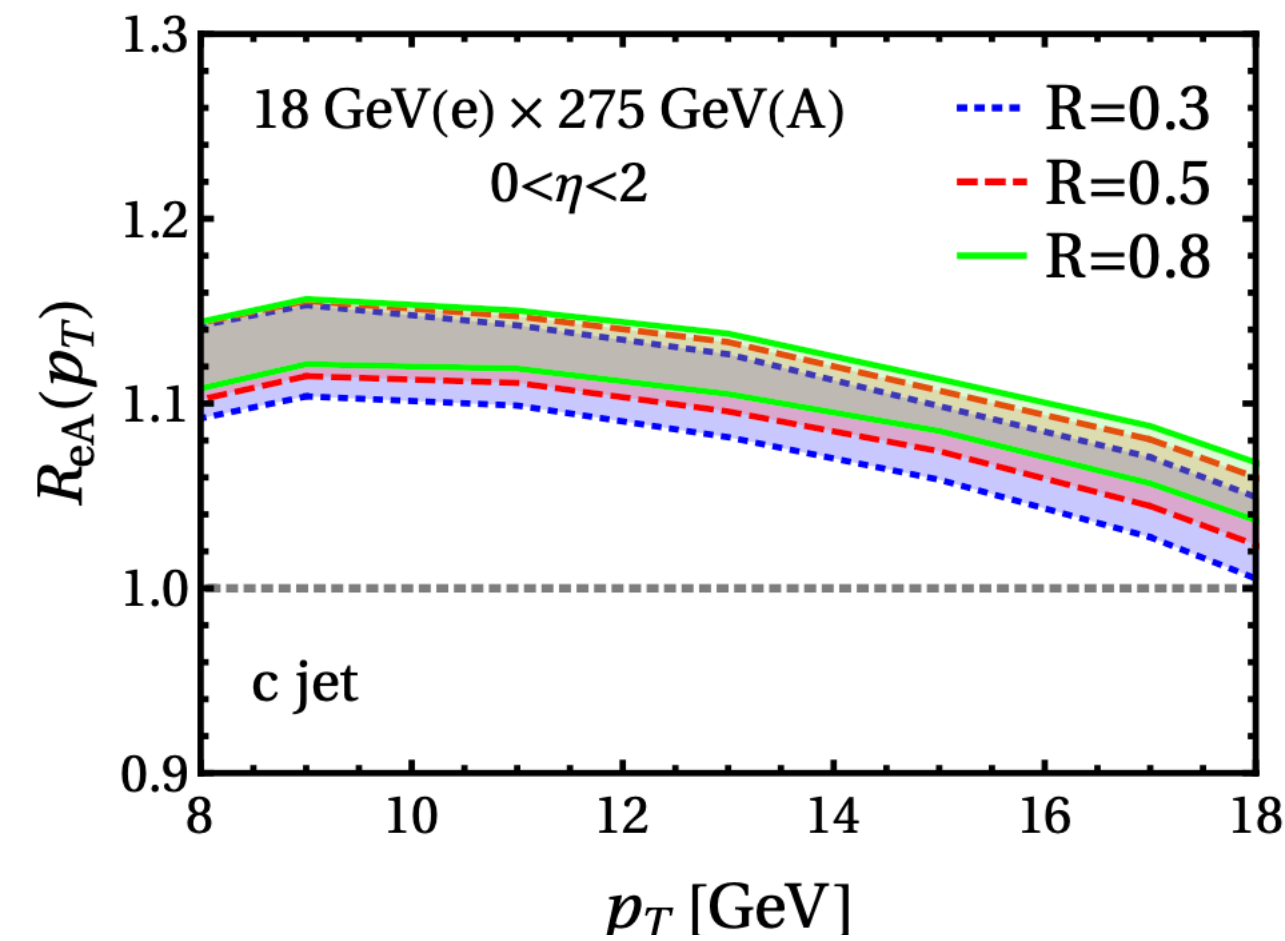


enhanced by the steeper  $p_T$  spectra near the phase space boundary

# Jet@EIC

## Jet Inclusive cross section

$\langle q_{\perp} \rangle / \lambda_q \approx \langle q_{\perp} \rangle / \lambda_g C_F / C_A = 0.05 \text{ GeV}^2 / \text{fm}$     **Uncertainties by varying transport parameter**



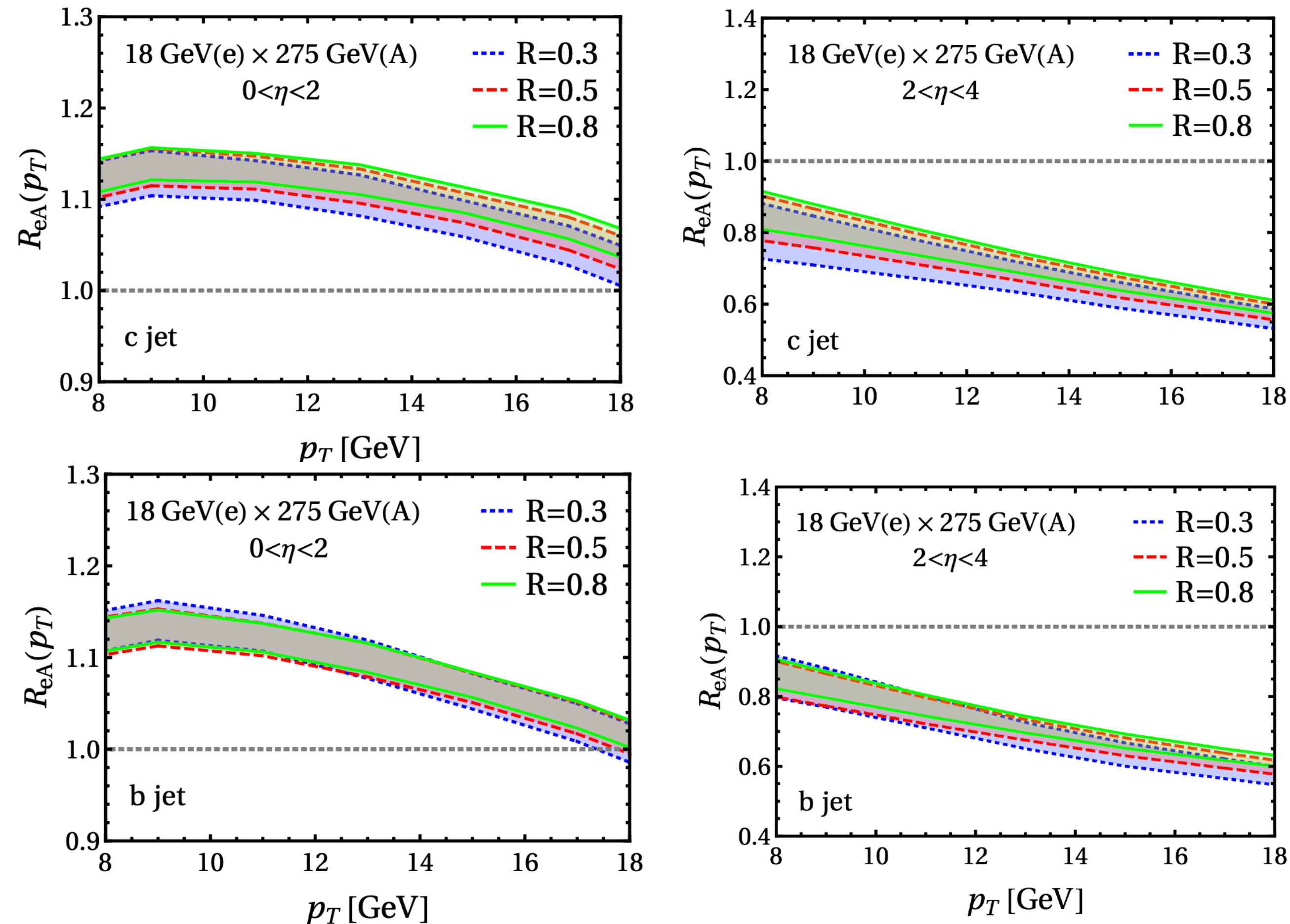
- separation of jet suppression for different radius  $R$
- Initial-state effects play an important role
- primarily sensitive to the so called EMC region

HTL, Liu, Vitev, arXiv:2108.07809

# Jet@EIC

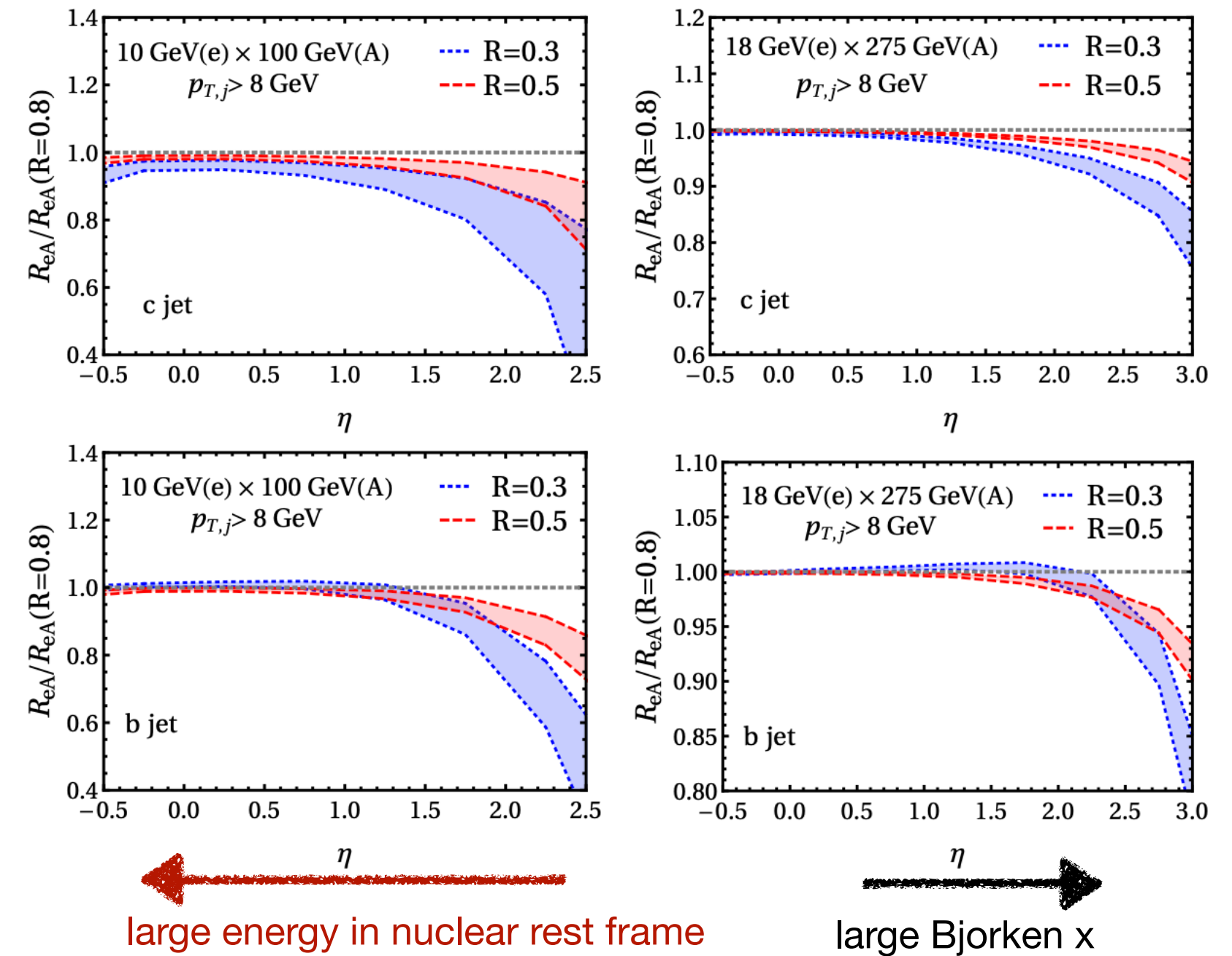
## Jet Inclusive cross section

$\langle q_{\perp} \rangle / \lambda_q \approx \langle q_{\perp} \rangle / \lambda_g C_F / C_A = 0.05 \text{ GeV}^2 / \text{fm}$     **Uncertainties by varying transport parameter**



proton rapidity  $\eta_p = 5.3$

proton rapidity  $\eta_p = 6.3$

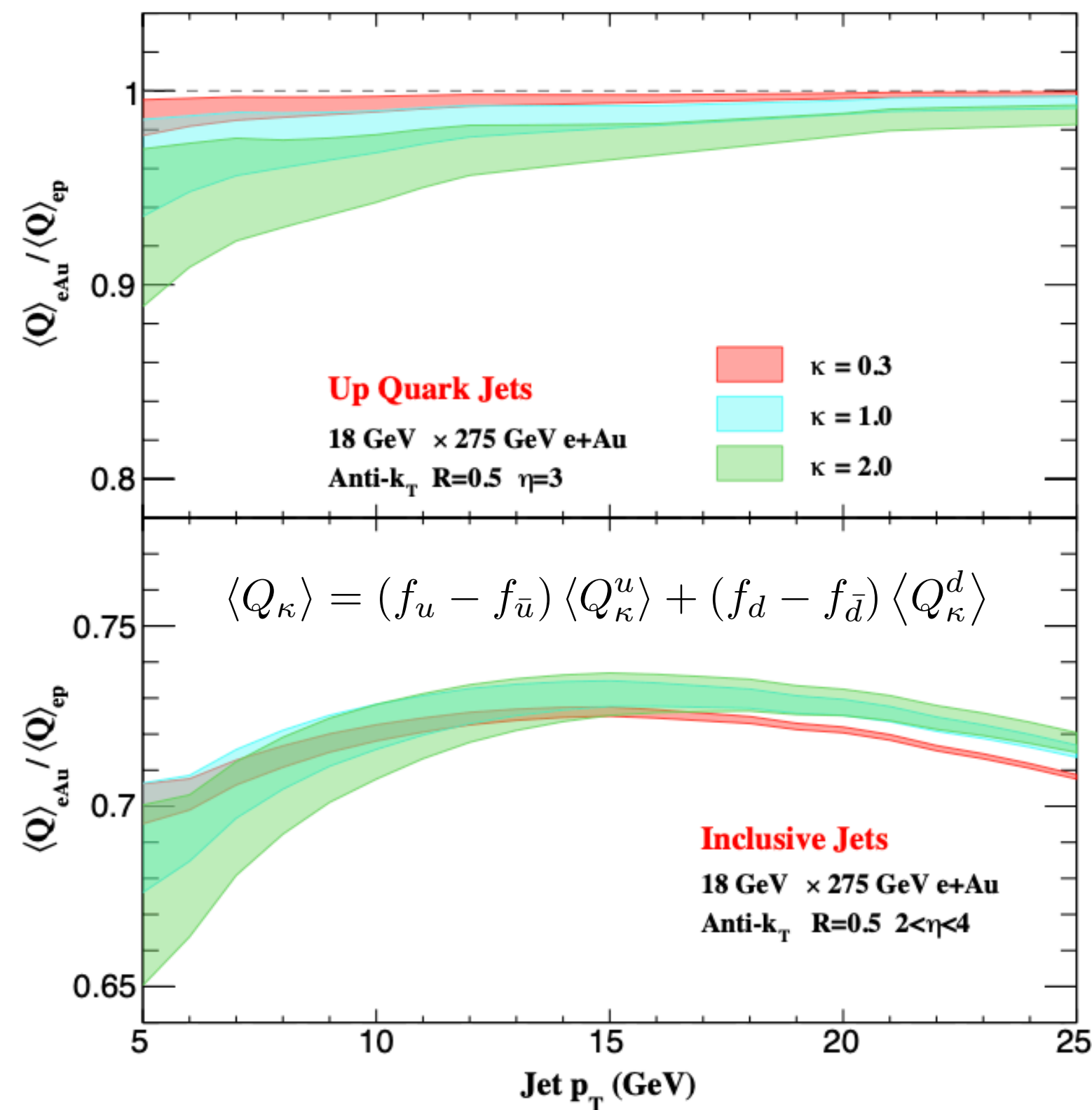


Medium-induced suppression is much enhanced in the forward rapidity region

HTL, Liu, Vitev, arXiv:2108.07809

# Jet@EIC

## Jet structures



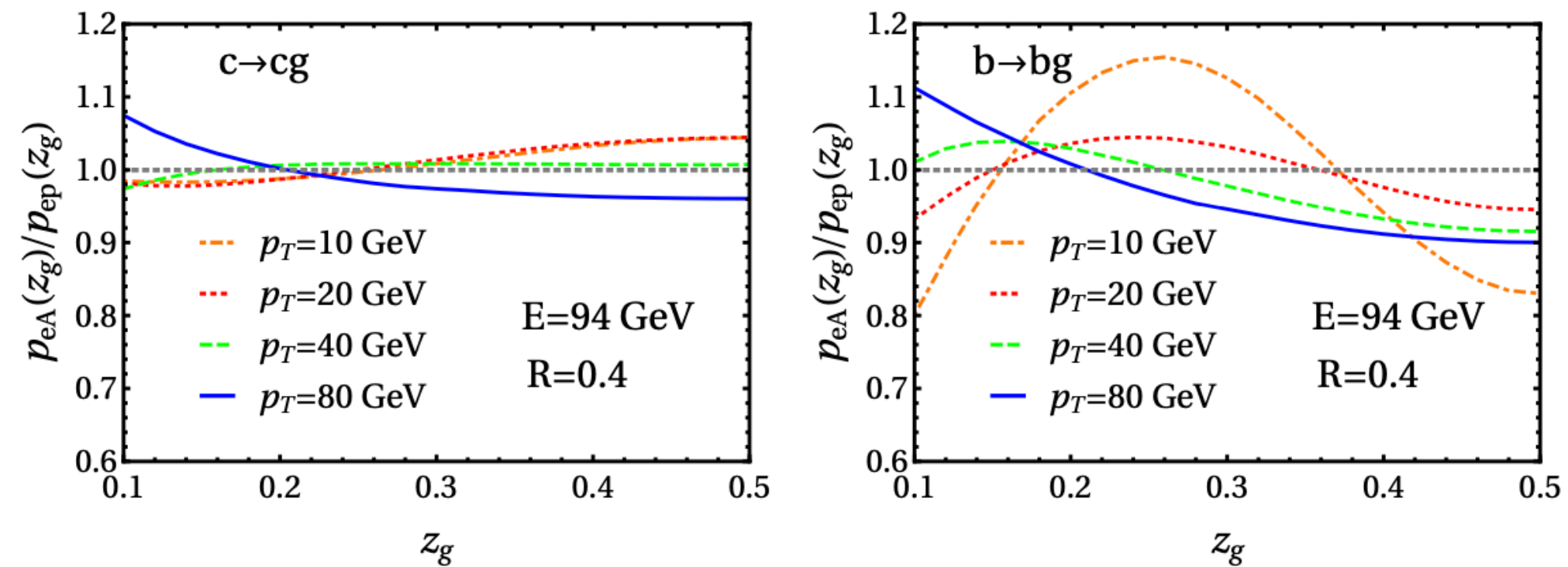
Cancellation between u and d jet

Excellent way to constrain isospin effects and the up/down quark PDFs in the nucleus.

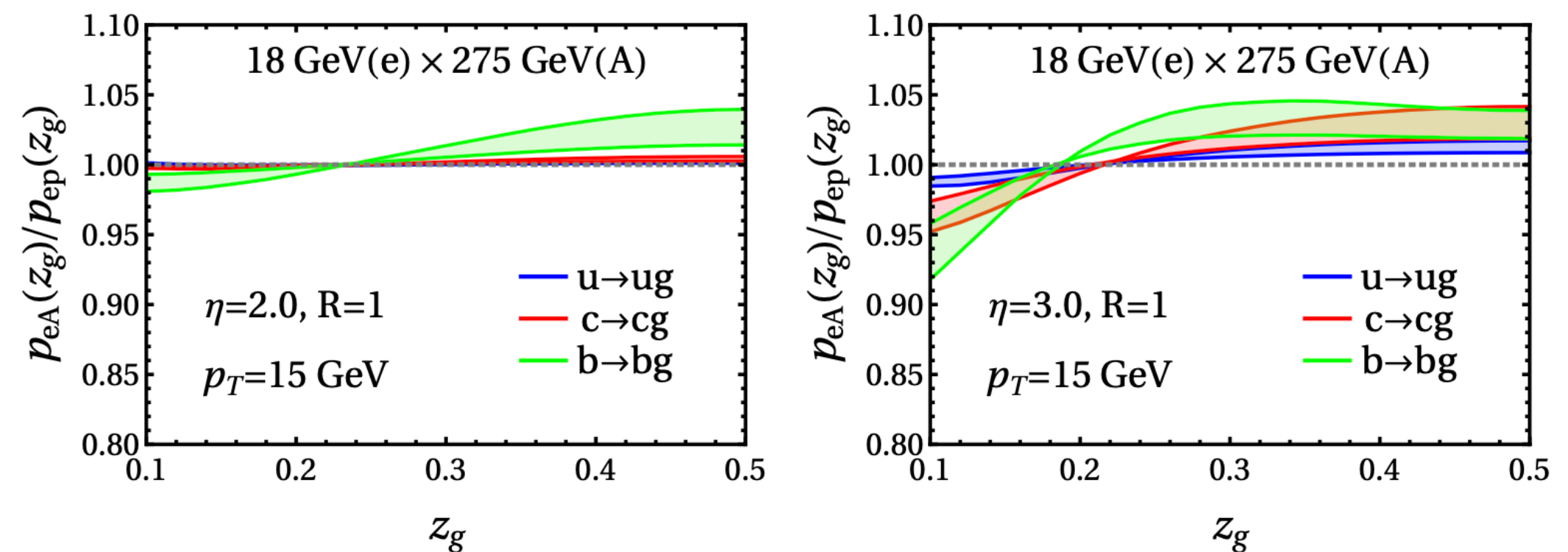
$$z_g = \frac{\min(p_{T1}, p_{T2})}{p_{T1} + p_{T2}} \quad \text{with } z_g > z_{cut}$$

Groomed jet splitting functions for  $c \rightarrow cg$  and  $b \rightarrow bg$ .

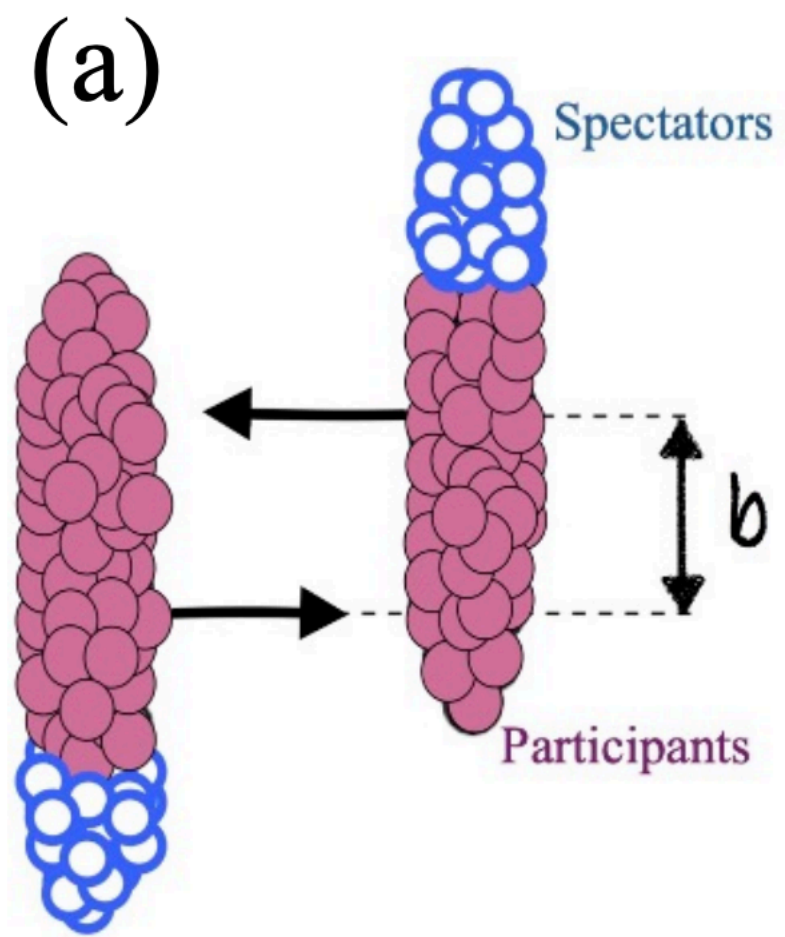
For 94 GeV jet in rest frame of the nucleus



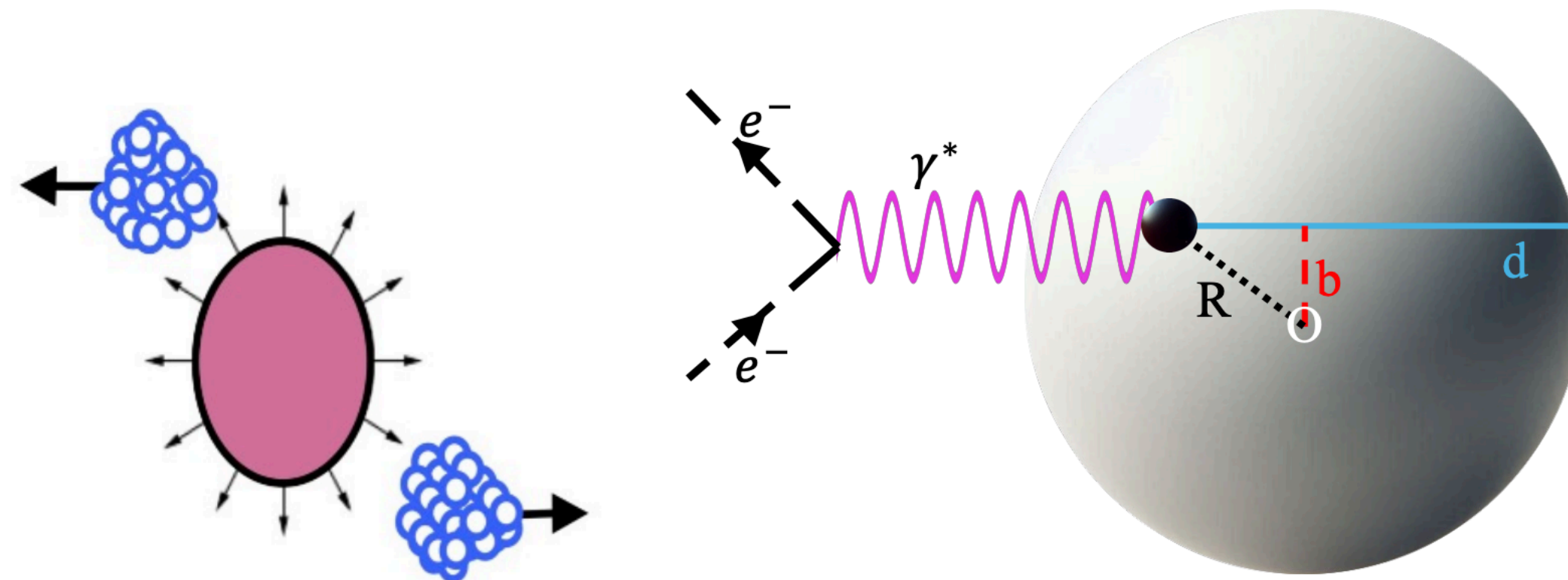
For inclusive jet at EIC



# Jet@EIC



Hegazy et al 2411.07963 (b)



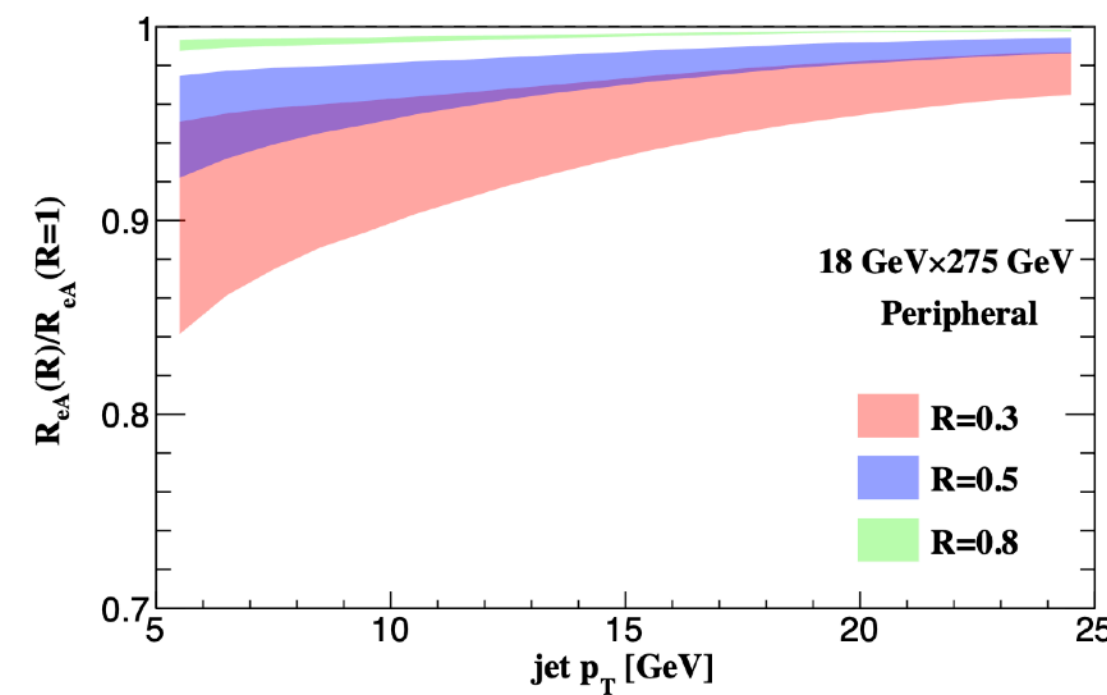
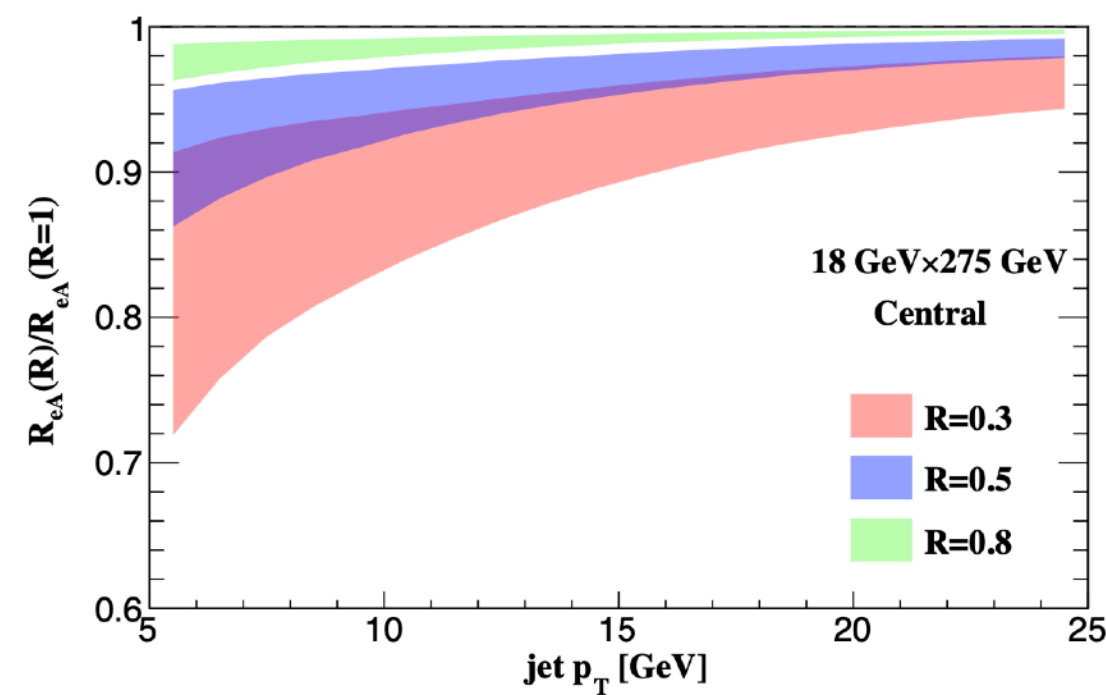
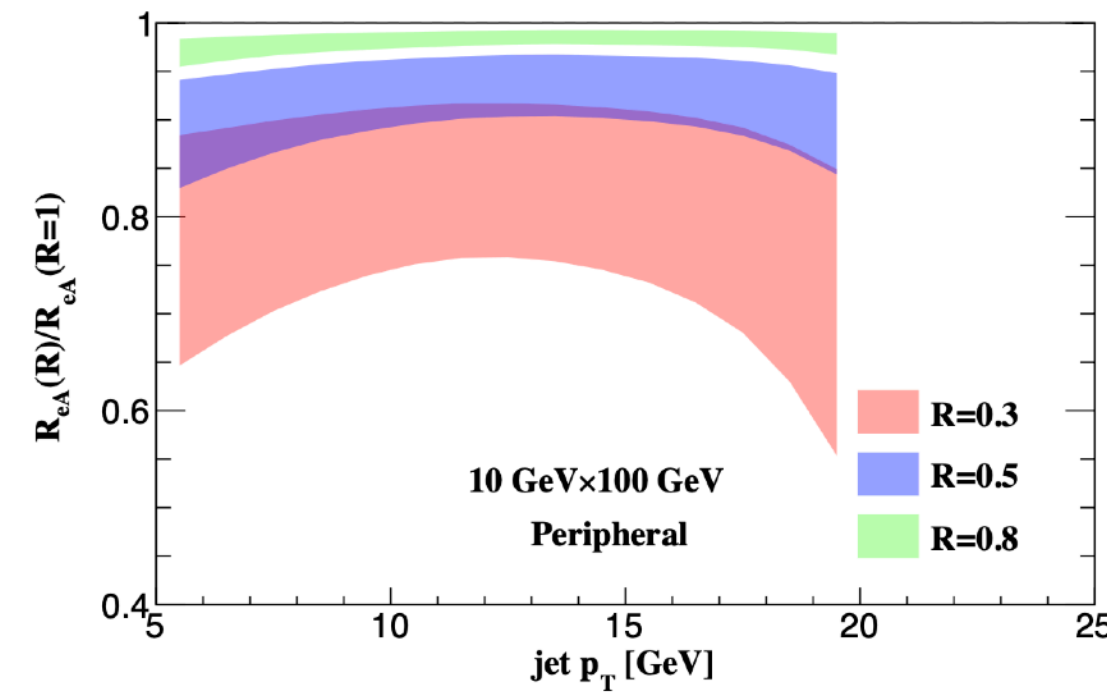
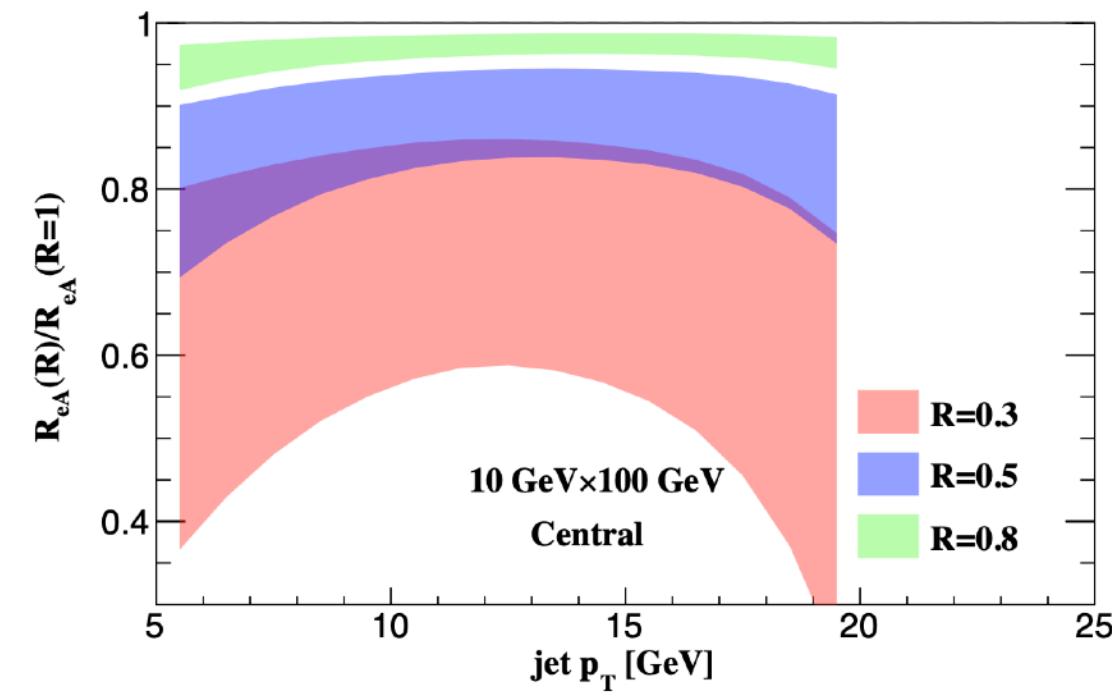


# Jet@EIC

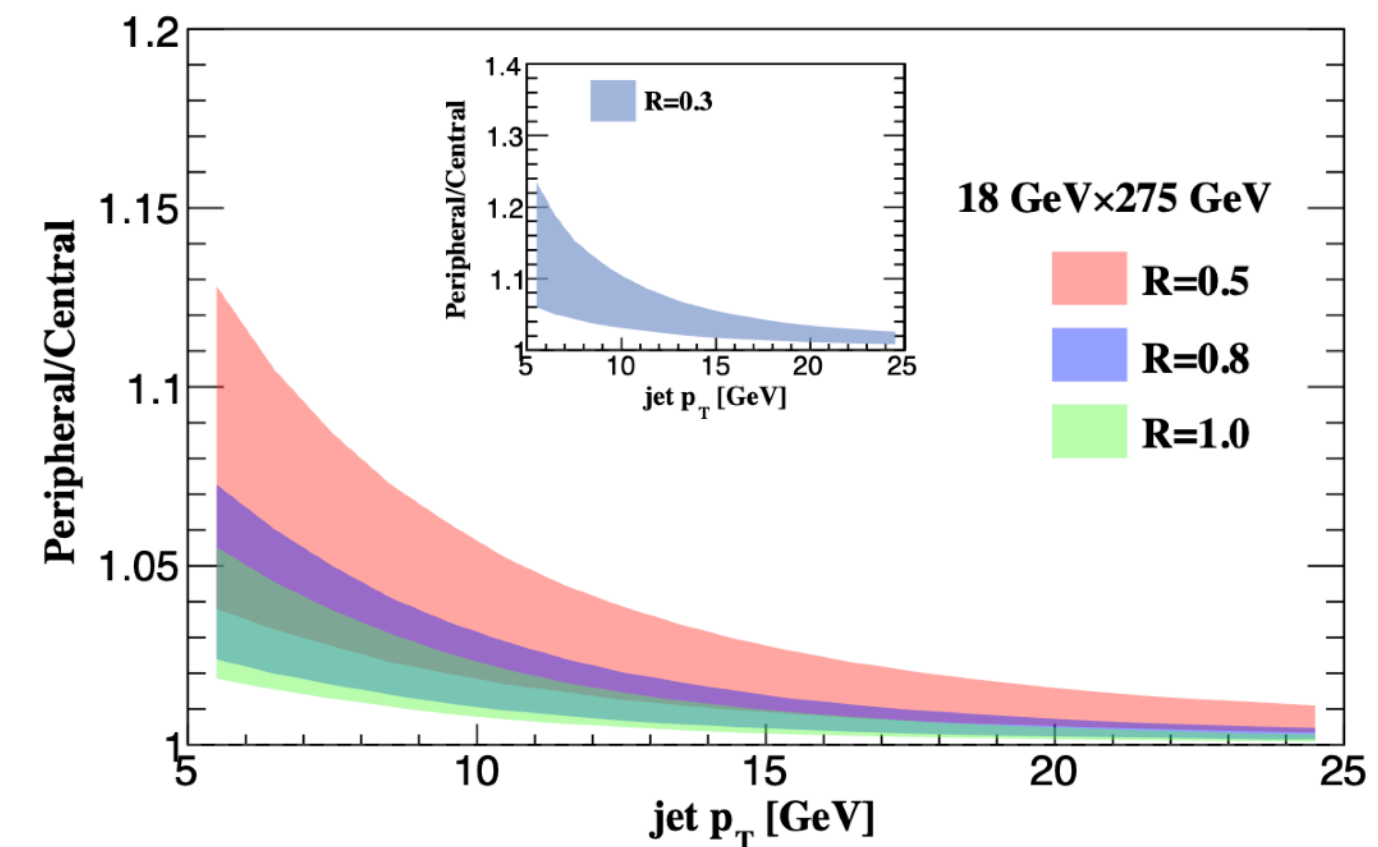
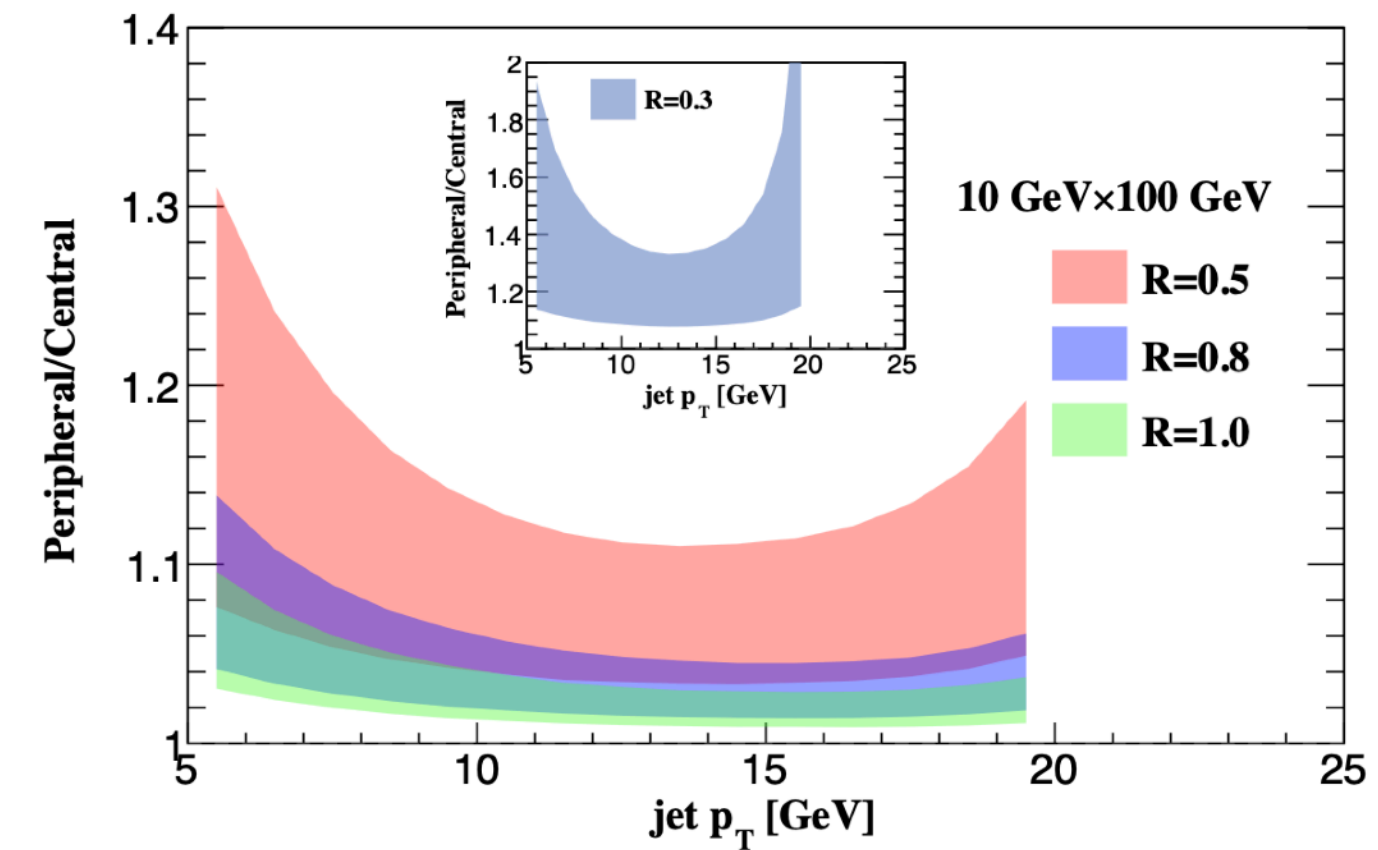
## Centrality-dependent modification

Centrality	0 – 1%	0 – 3 %	0 – 10 %	60 – 100 %	80 – 100 %	90 – 100 %	0 – 100 %
$\langle d \rangle [fm]$	9.09	8.48	7.61	2.88	2.71	2.71	4.40
$\langle d \rangle / \langle d \rangle_{\text{min.bias}}$	2.07	1.93	1.73	0.65	0.62	0.62	1.00

average interaction length of a parton in a Pb nucleus as a function of centrality obtained in BeAGLE



$$\frac{\text{Peripheral}}{\text{Central}}(J) = \frac{\frac{1}{\Delta_b T_A(b)} \int_{\eta_1}^{\eta_2} \frac{d\sigma}{d\eta dp_T} |_{eA, \text{Peri.}}}{\frac{1}{\Delta_b T_A(b)} \int_{\eta_1}^{\eta_2} \frac{d\sigma}{d\eta dp_T} |_{eA, \text{Cent.}}}$$



# Hadron@EIC

In collinear factorization, the inclusive cross section for hadron production is

$$\frac{d\sigma^{\ell N \rightarrow hX}}{dy_h d^2\mathbf{p}_{T,h}} = \frac{1}{S} \sum_{i,f} \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x} \int_0^1 \frac{dz}{z^2} f^{i/N}(x, \mu) \left[ \hat{\sigma}^{i \rightarrow f} + f_{\text{ren}}^{\gamma/\ell} \left( \frac{-t}{s+u}, \mu \right) \hat{\sigma}^{\gamma i \rightarrow f} \right] D^{h/f}(z, \mu)$$

Hard part: arXiv:1505.06415

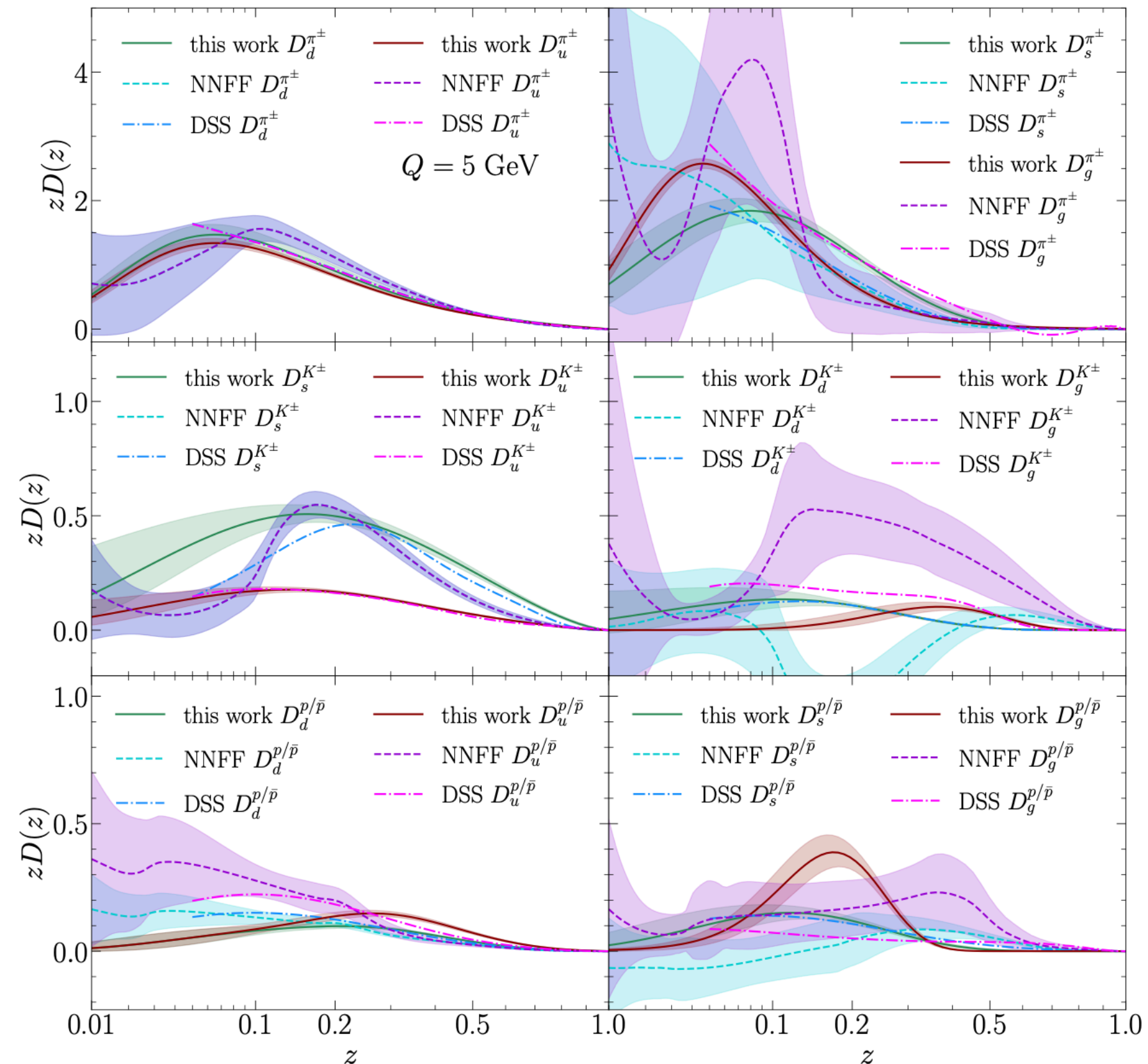
DSS, HKNS, AKK, SGK, NNFF, MAPFF, JAM. NPC23

Gao, Liu, Shen, Xing, Zhao, arXiv:2401.02781, 2407.04422

We used HKNS FF for pion and results from HQET for heavy flavors

**medium effects included by**

$$\frac{d}{d \ln \mu^2} \tilde{D}^{h/i}(x, \mu) = \sum_j \int_x^1 \frac{dz}{z} \tilde{D}^{h/j} \left( \frac{x}{z}, \mu \right) (P_{ji}(z, \alpha_s(\mu)) + P_{ji}^{\text{med}}(z, \mu))$$



# Hadron@EIC

In collinear factorization, the inclusive cross section for hadron production is

$$\frac{d\sigma^{\ell N \rightarrow hX}}{dy_h d^2\mathbf{p}_{T,h}} = \frac{1}{S} \sum_{i,f} \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x} \int_0^1 \frac{dz}{z^2} f^{i/N}(x, \mu) \left[ \hat{\sigma}^{i \rightarrow f} + f_{\text{ren}}^{\gamma/\ell} \left( \frac{-t}{s+u}, \mu \right) \hat{\sigma}^{\gamma i \rightarrow f} \right] D^{h/f}(z, \mu)$$

Hard part: arXiv:1505.06415

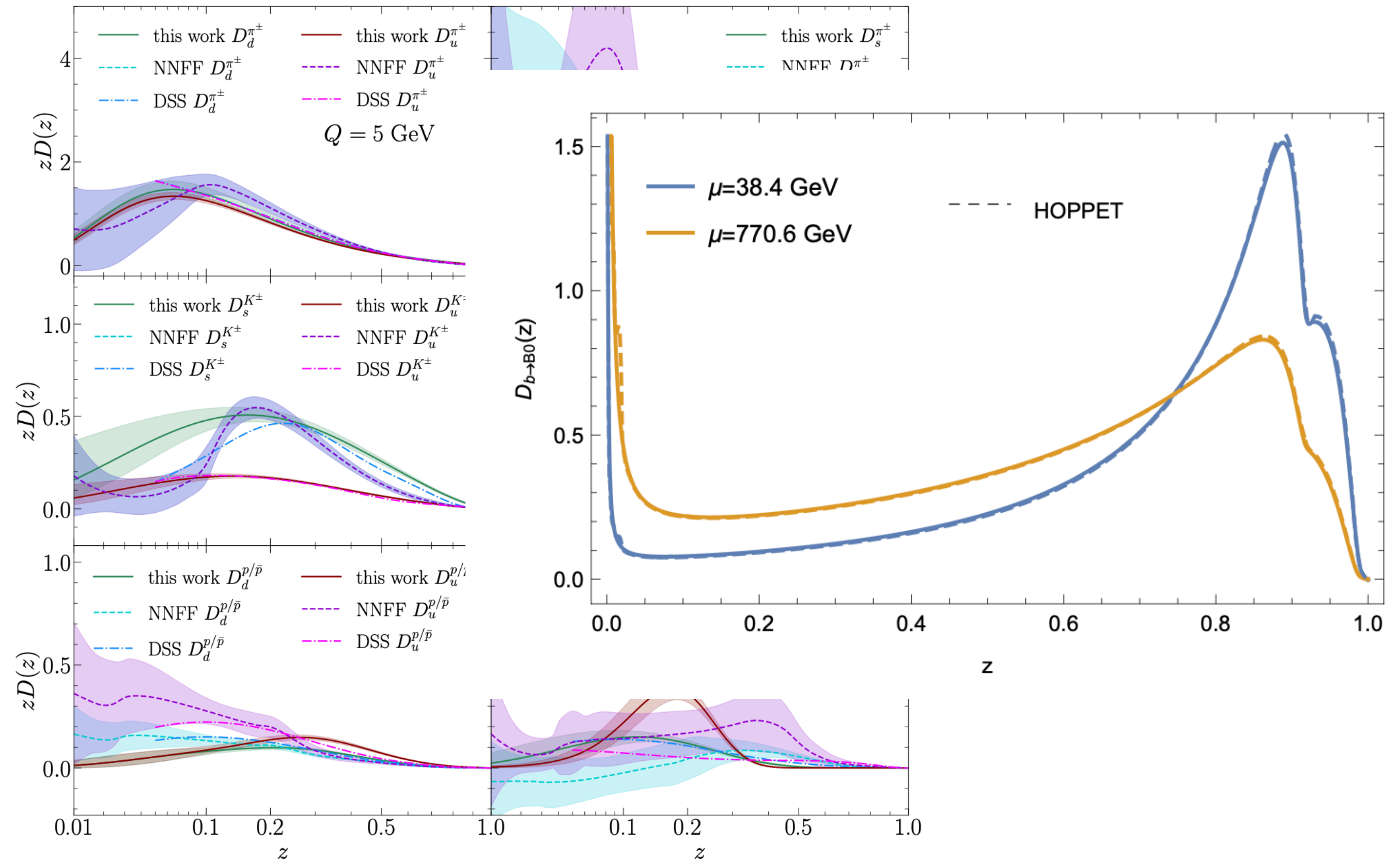
DSS, HKNS, AKK, SGK, NNFF, MAPFF, JAM. NPC23

Gao, Liu, Shen, Xing, Zhao, arXiv:2401.02781, 2407.04422

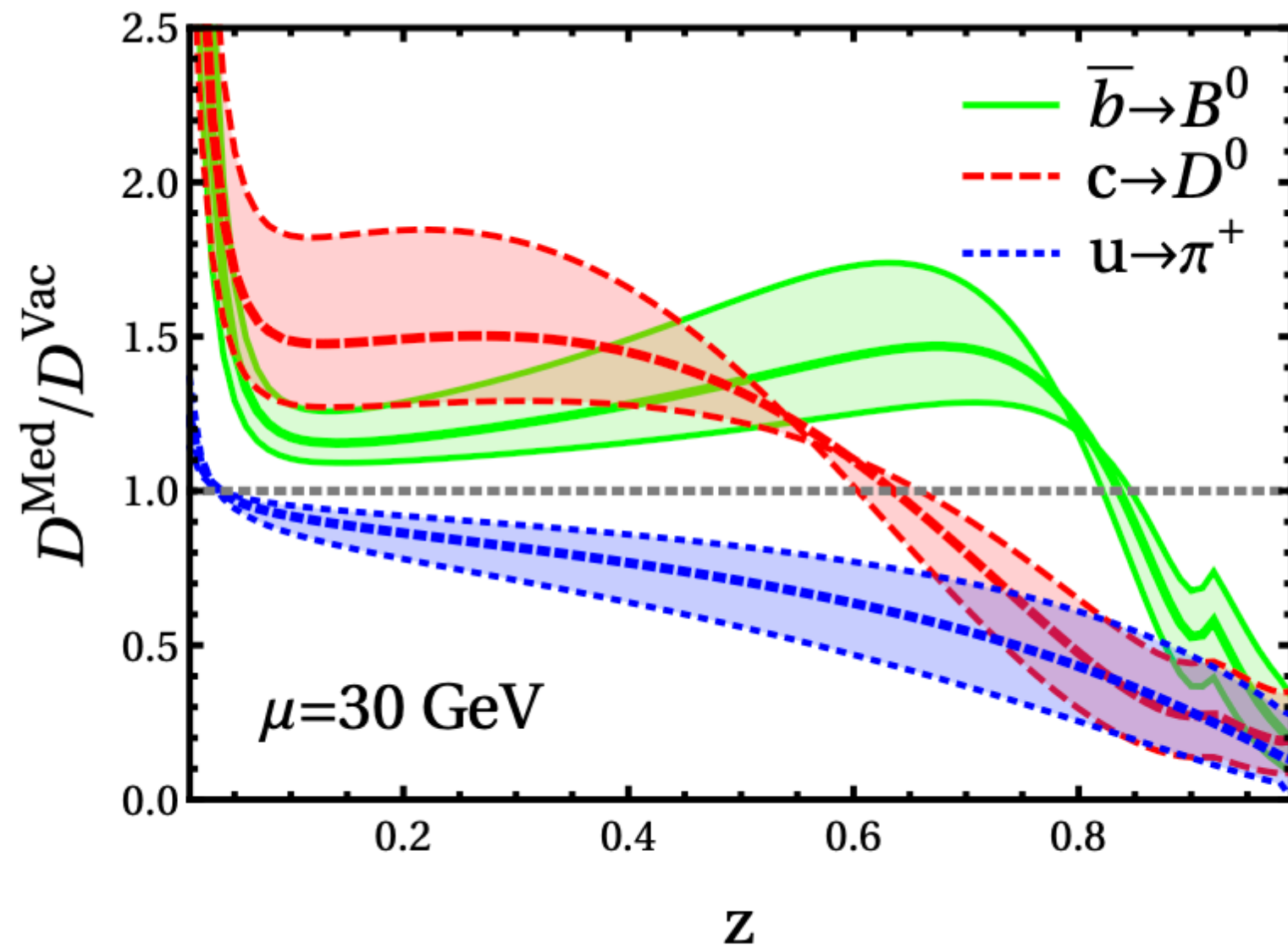
We used HKNS FF for pion and results from HQET for heavy flavors

**medium effects included by**

$$\frac{d}{d \ln \mu^2} \tilde{D}^{h/i}(x, \mu) = \sum_j \int_x^1 \frac{dz}{z} \tilde{D}^{h/j} \left( \frac{x}{z}, \mu \right) (P_{ji}(z, \alpha_s(\mu)) + P_{ji}^{\text{med}}(z, \mu))$$

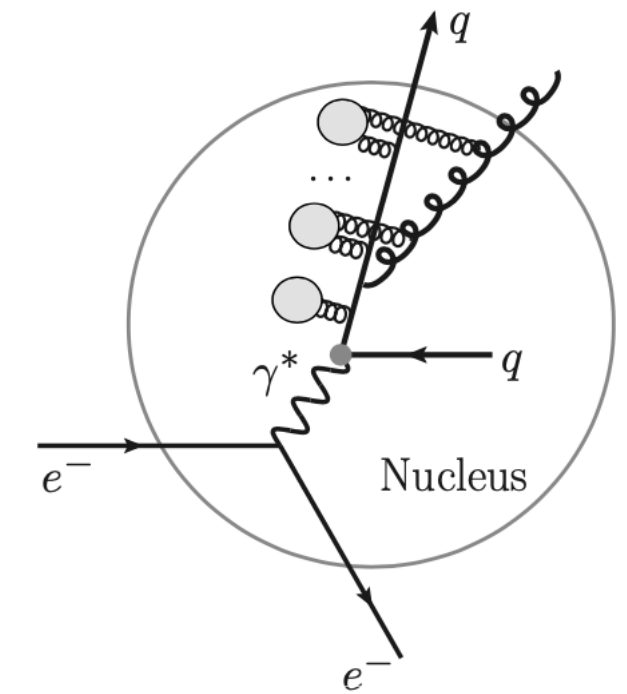


# Hadron@EIC



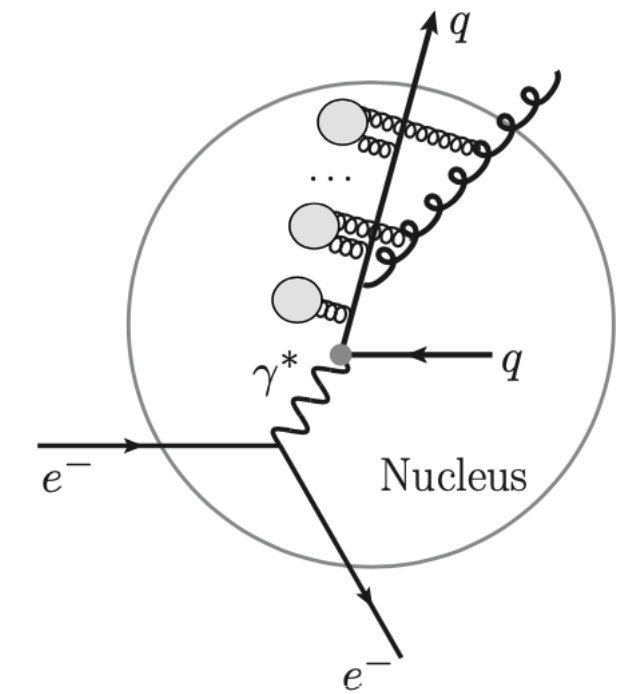
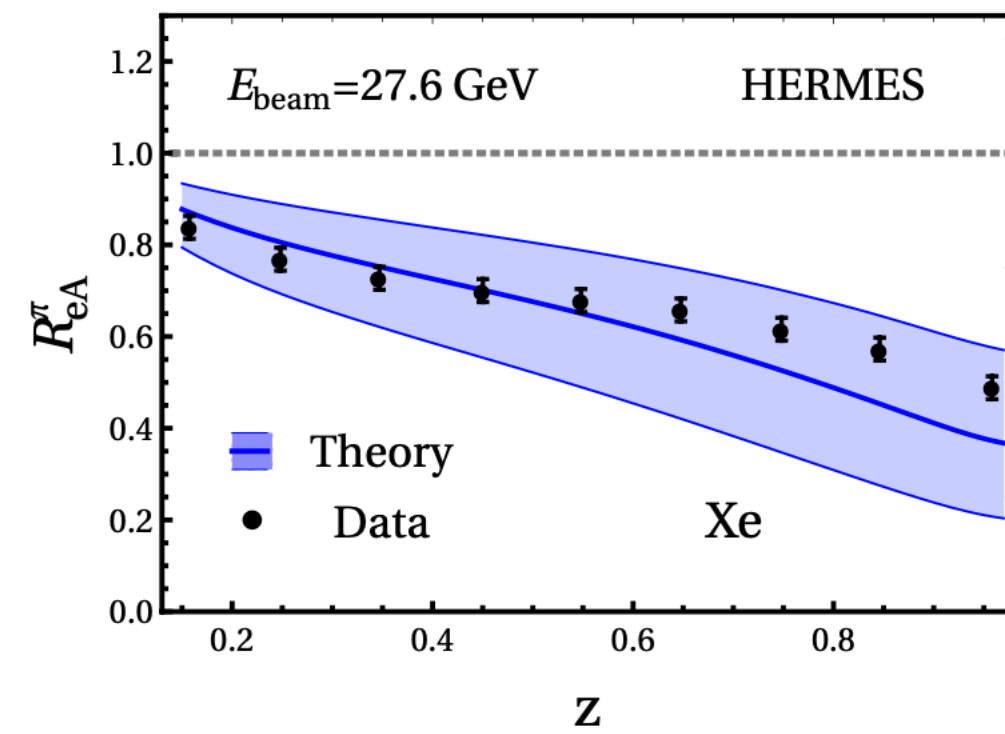
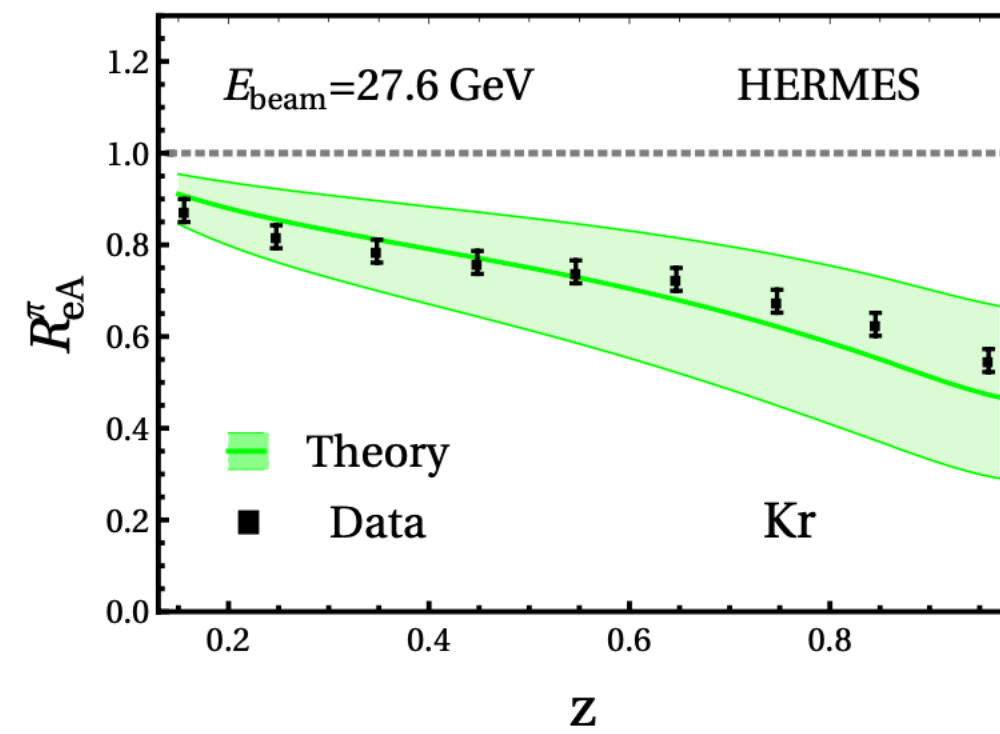
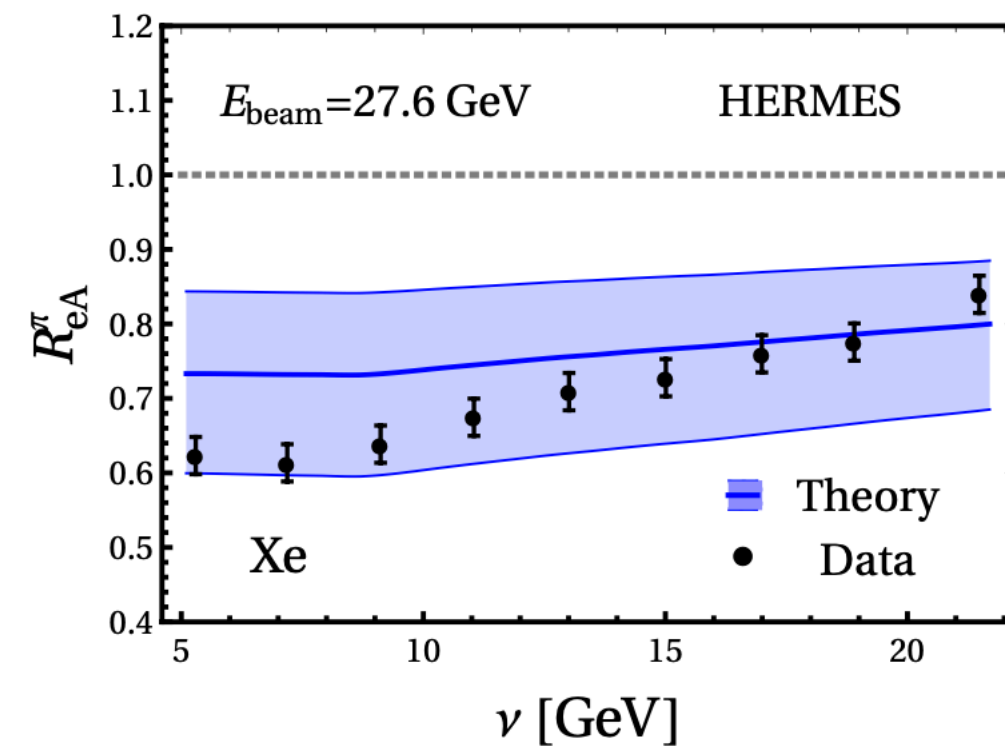
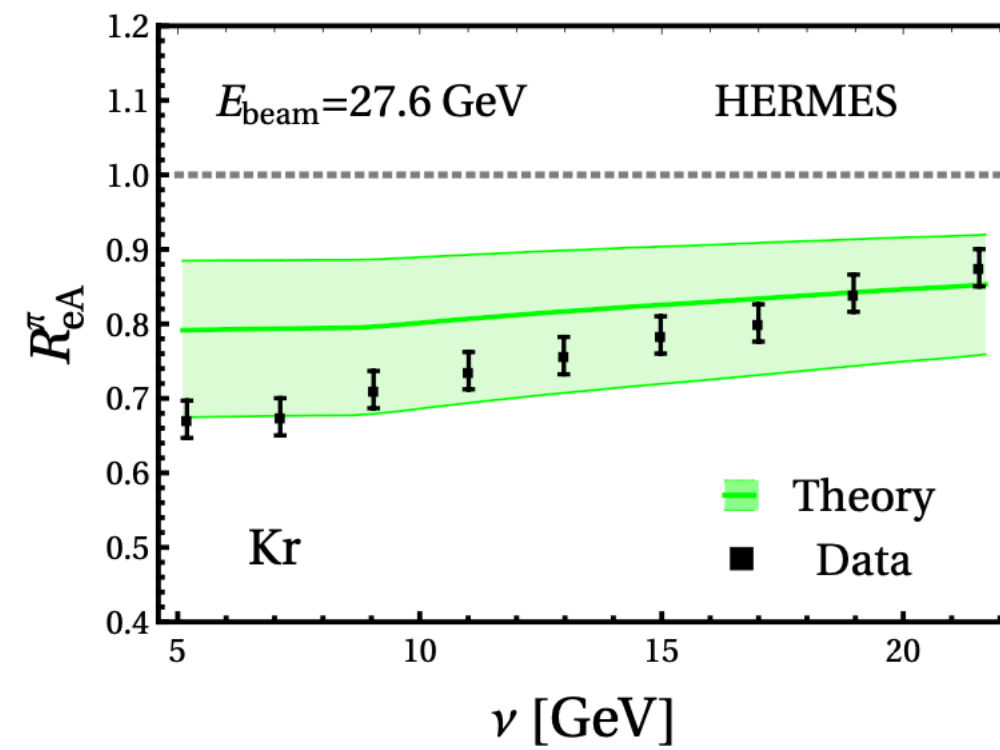
$$\langle q_{\perp} \rangle / \lambda_q \approx \langle q_{\perp} \rangle / \lambda_g C_F / C_A = 0.05 \text{ GeV}^2 / \text{fm}$$

Uncertainties by varying transport parameter



HTL, Liu, Vitev, arXiv:2007.10994

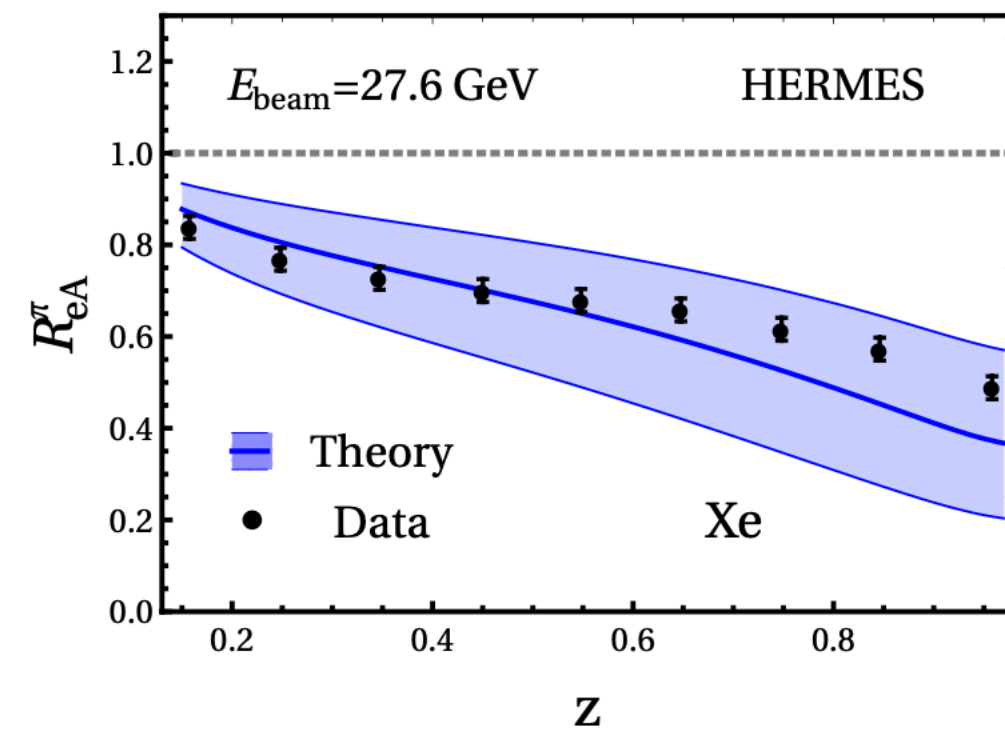
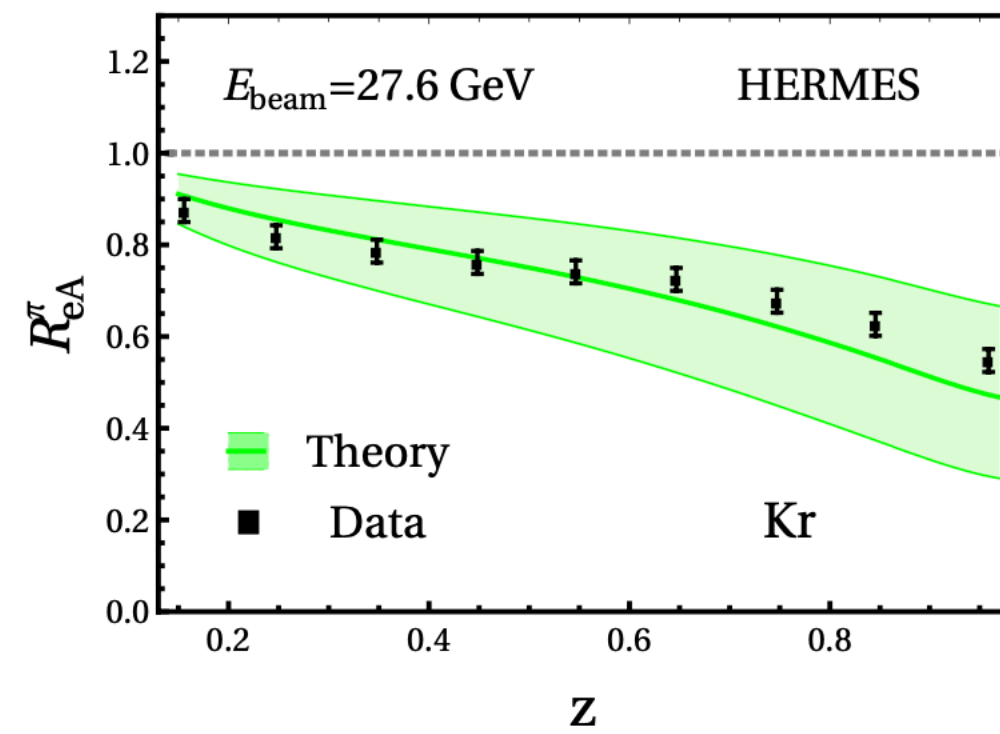
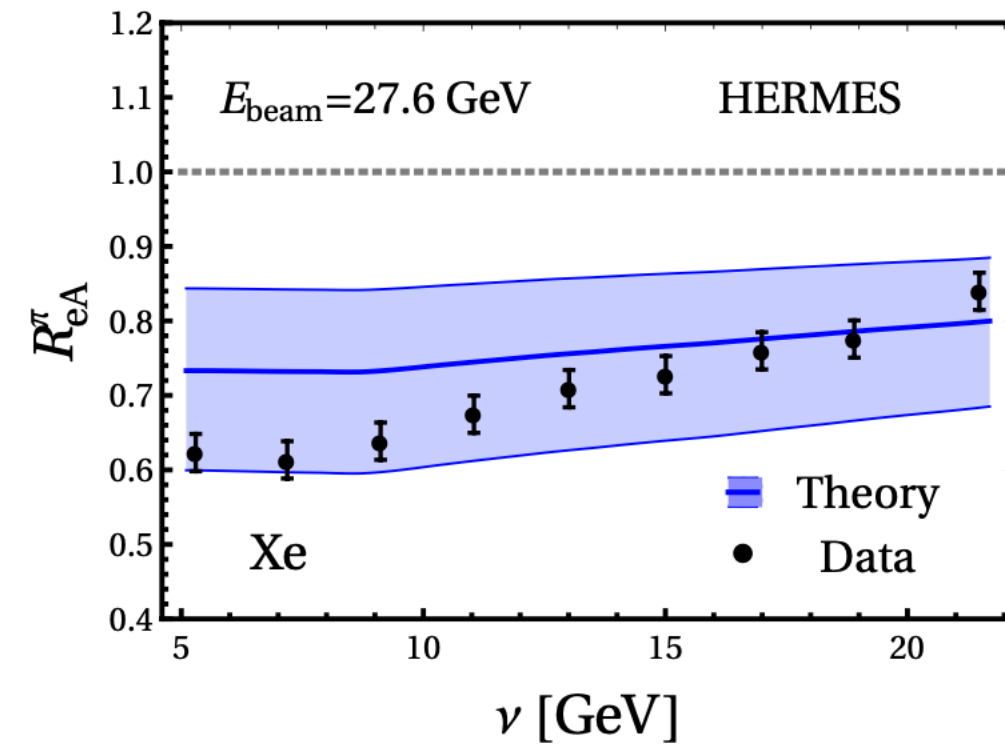
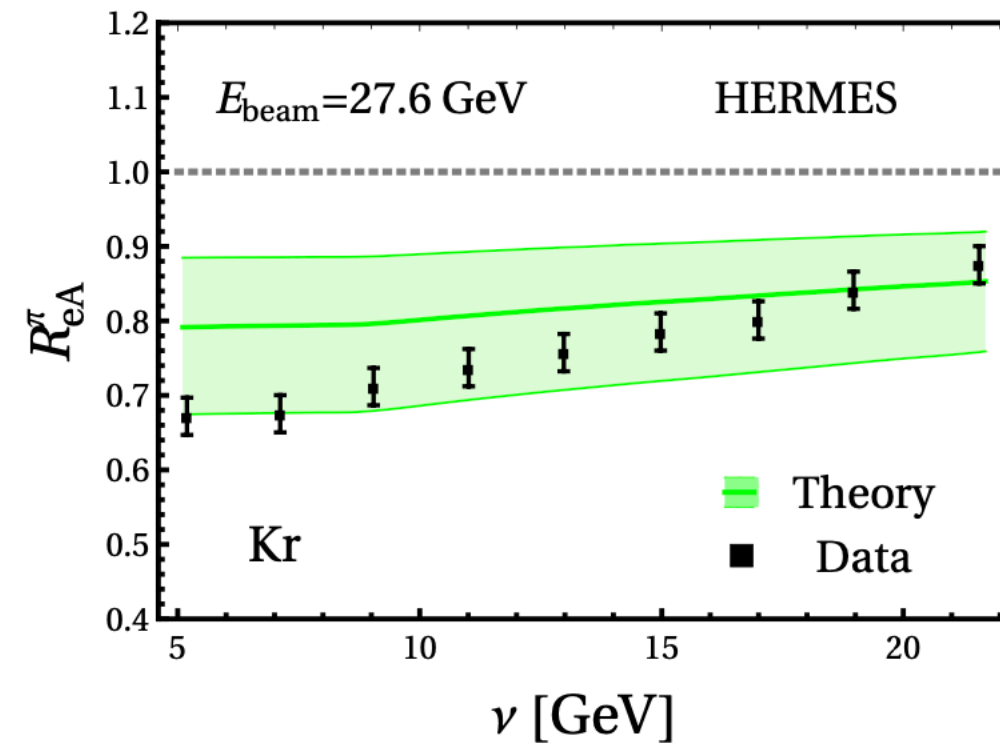
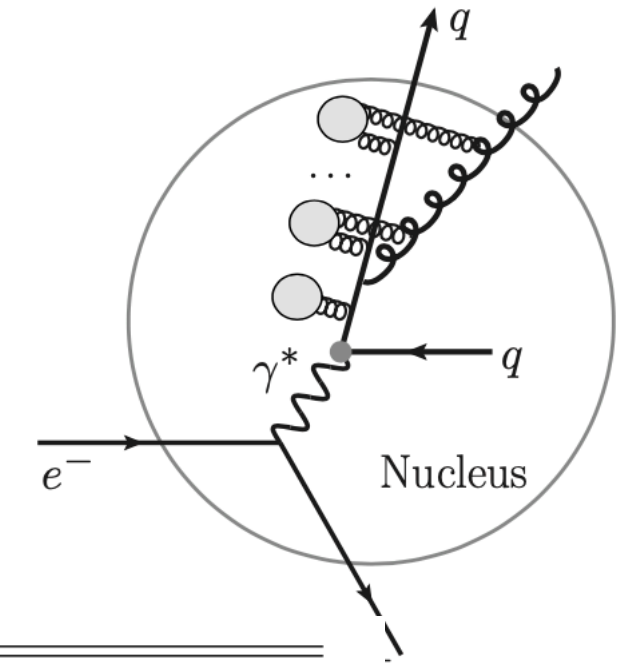
# Hadron@EIC



Compare our calculations with HERMES measurements

*HTL, Liu, Vitev, arXiv:2007.10994*

# Hadron@EIC



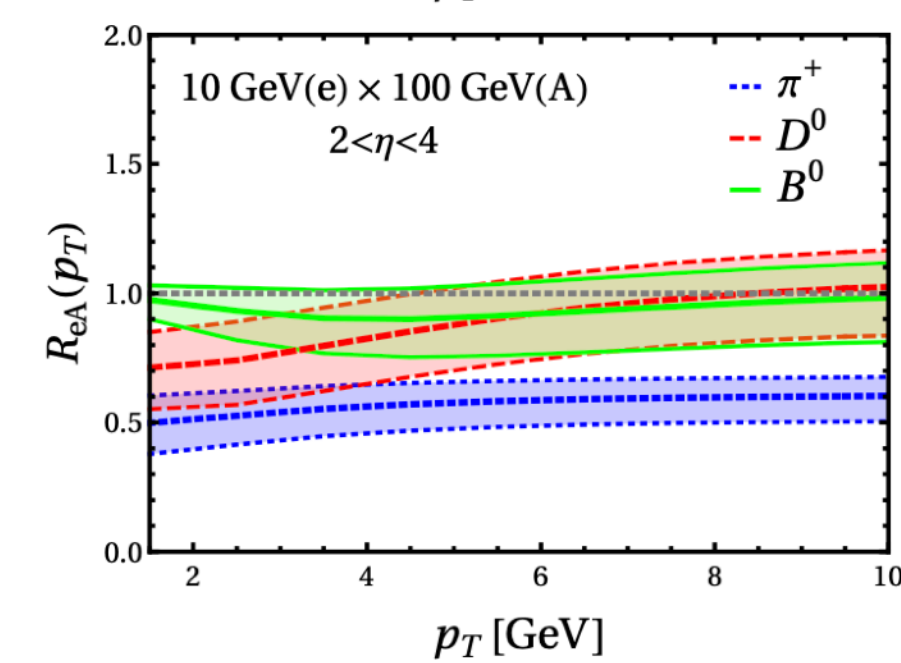
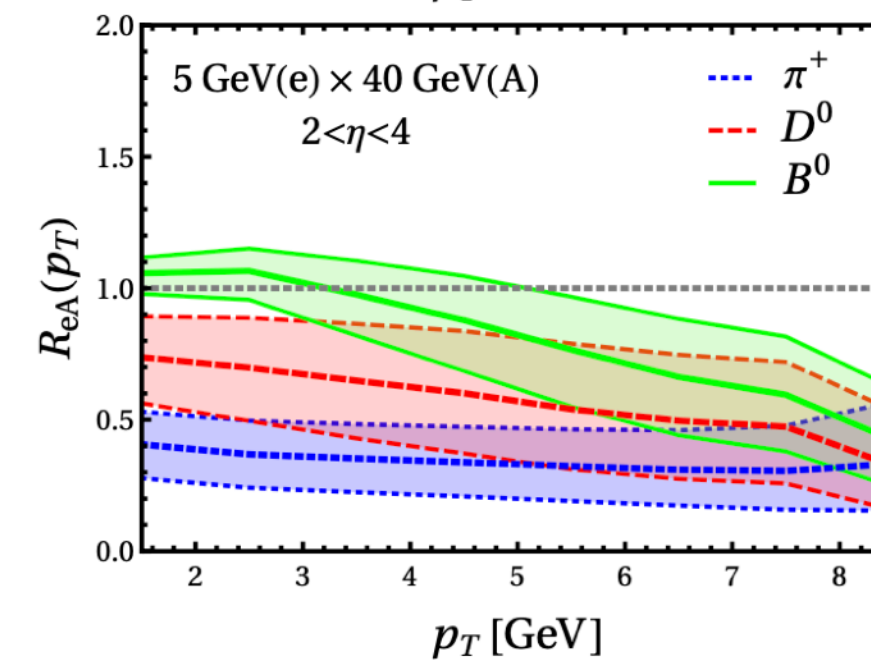
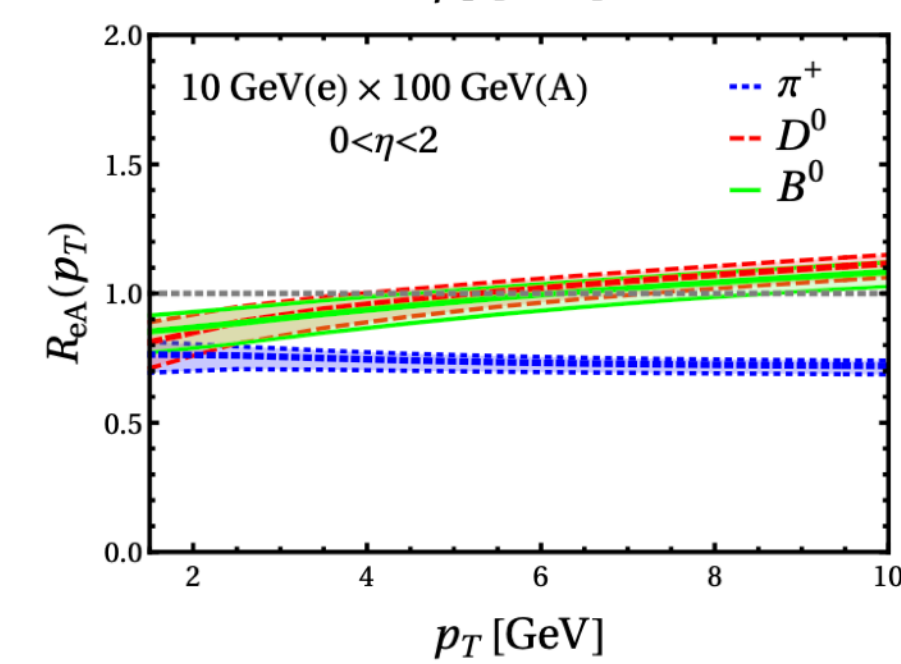
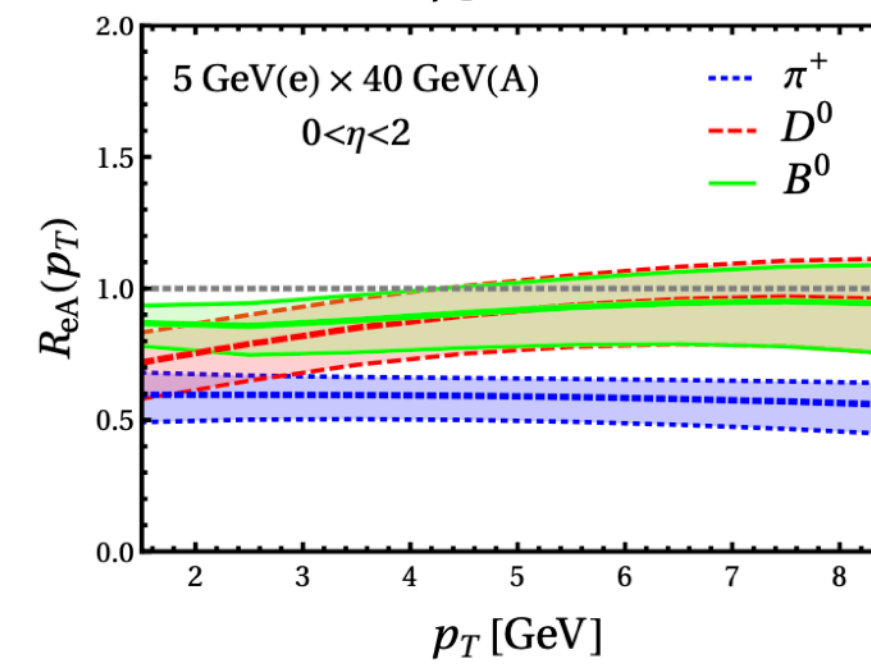
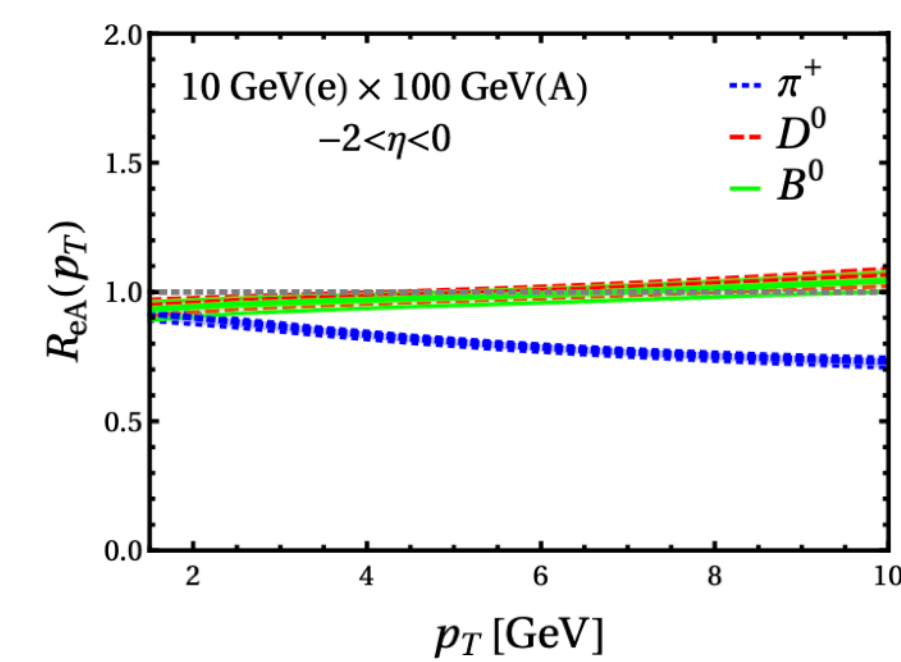
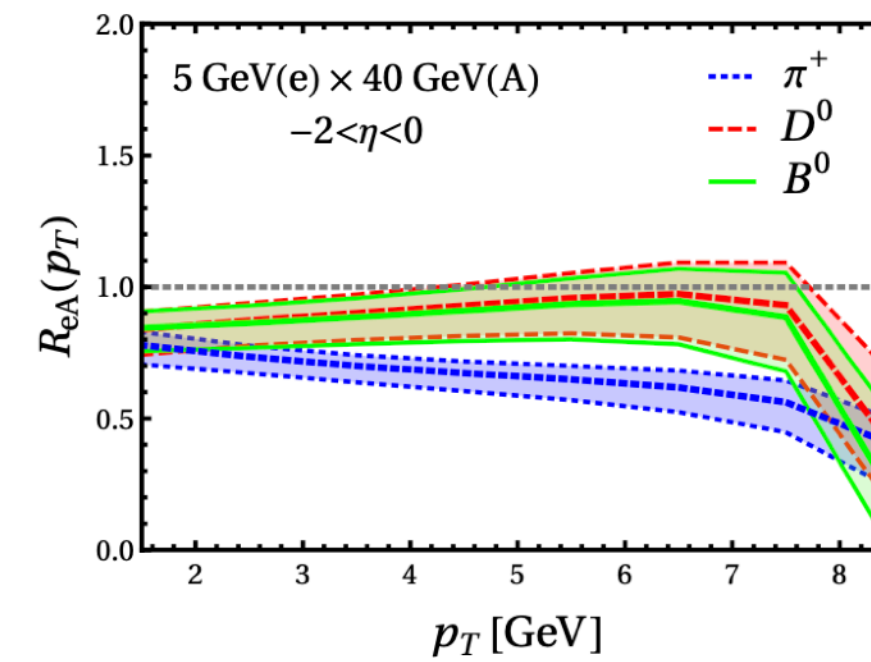
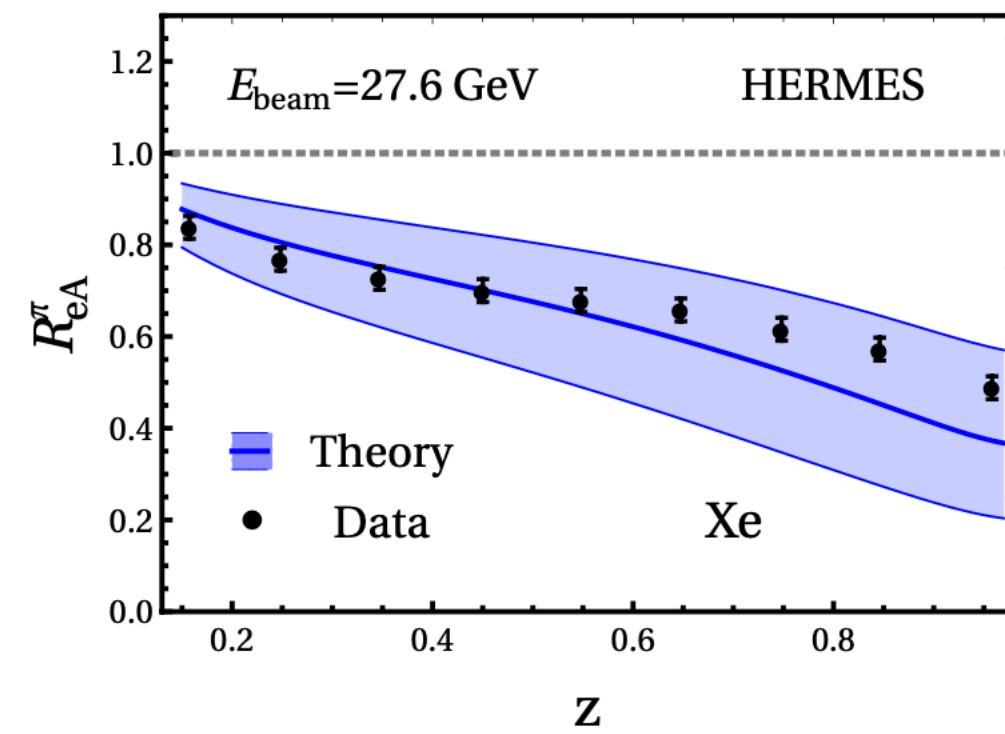
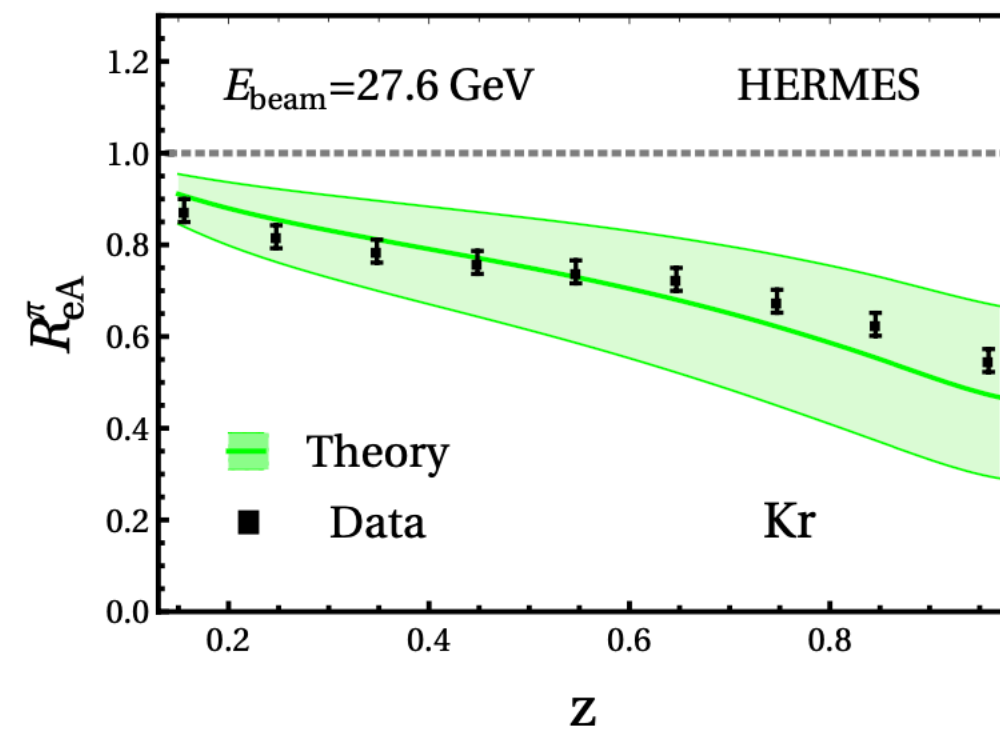
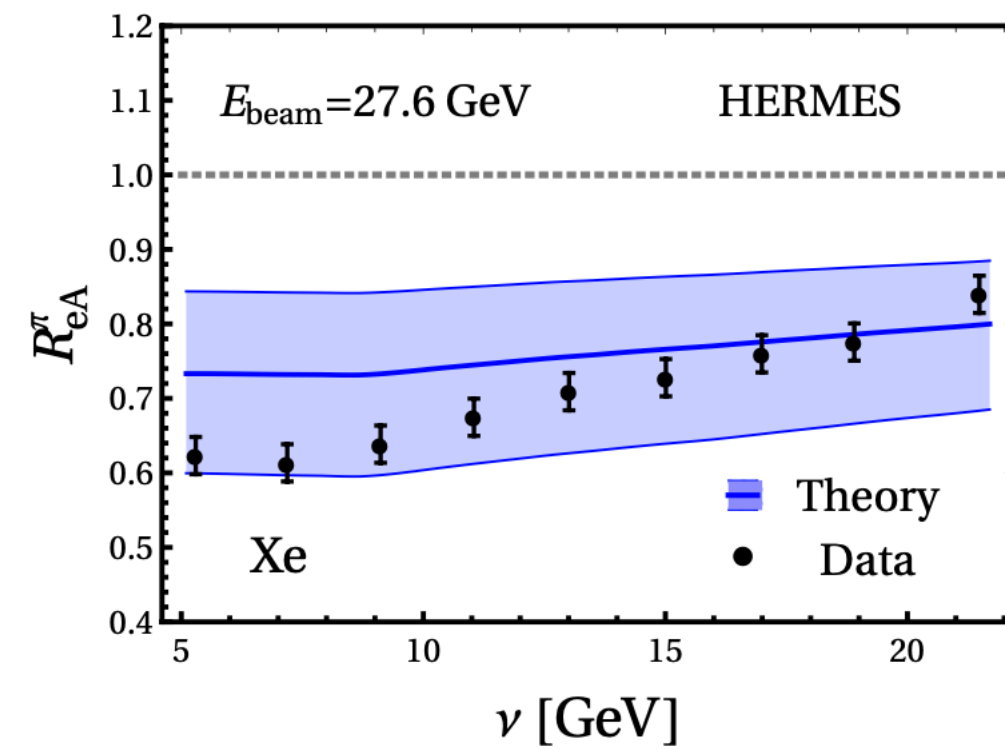
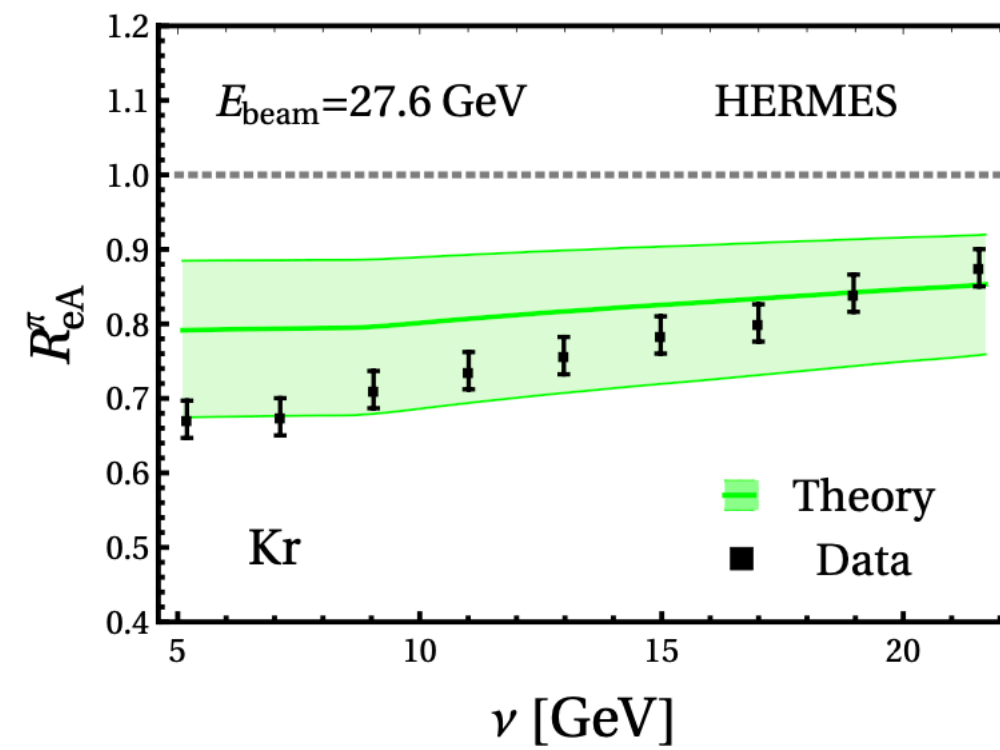
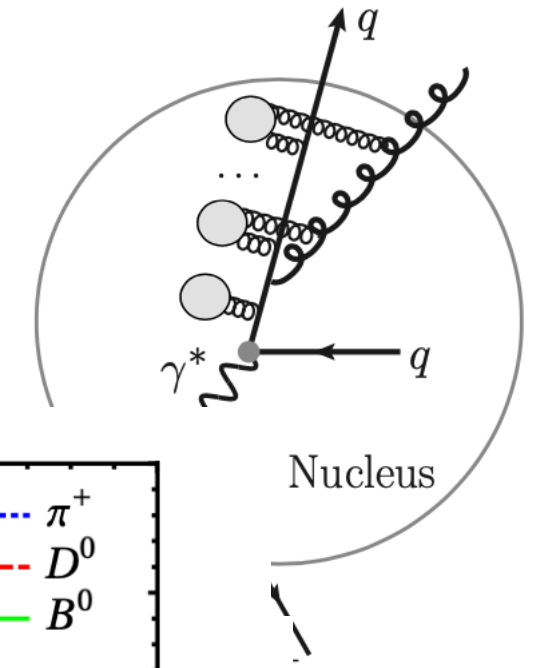
Energy		5 GeV×40 GeV		10 GeV×100 GeV		18 GeV×275 GeV	
$p_T^h$ [GeV]		[2,3]	[5,6]	[2,3]	[5,6]	[2,3]	[5,6]
$\pi^+$	LO	$5.3 \times 10^6$	$2.4 \times 10^4$	$1.4 \times 10^7$	$3.0 \times 10^5$	$2.9 \times 10^7$	$9.6 \times 10^5$
	NLO	$1.1 \times 10^7$	$6.9 \times 10^4$	$2.8 \times 10^7$	$6.1 \times 10^5$	$5.6 \times 10^7$	$1.9 \times 10^6$
$D^0$	LO	$1.4 \times 10^6$	$3.2 \times 10^3$	$8.6 \times 10^6$	$9.0 \times 10^4$	$3.1 \times 10^7$	$6.6 \times 10^5$
	NLO	$3.7 \times 10^6$	$8.5 \times 10^3$	$2.1 \times 10^7$	$2.1 \times 10^5$	$7.2 \times 10^7$	$1.5 \times 10^6$
$B^0$	LO	$3.7 \times 10^5$	$1.2 \times 10^3$	$2.4 \times 10^6$	$2.8 \times 10^4$	$9.0 \times 10^6$	$2.0 \times 10^5$
	NLO	$1.1 \times 10^6$	$3.3 \times 10^3$	$6.2 \times 10^6$	$7.2 \times 10^4$	$2.1 \times 10^7$	$4.7 \times 10^5$

**numbers of light, charm, and bottom hadron produced at the EIC with a typical one year integrated luminosity of  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$**

**Compare our calculations with HERMES measurements**

*HTL, Liu, Vitev, arXiv:2007.10994*

# Hadron@EIC



Compare our calculations with HERMES measurements

HTL, Liu, Vitev, arXiv:2007.10994

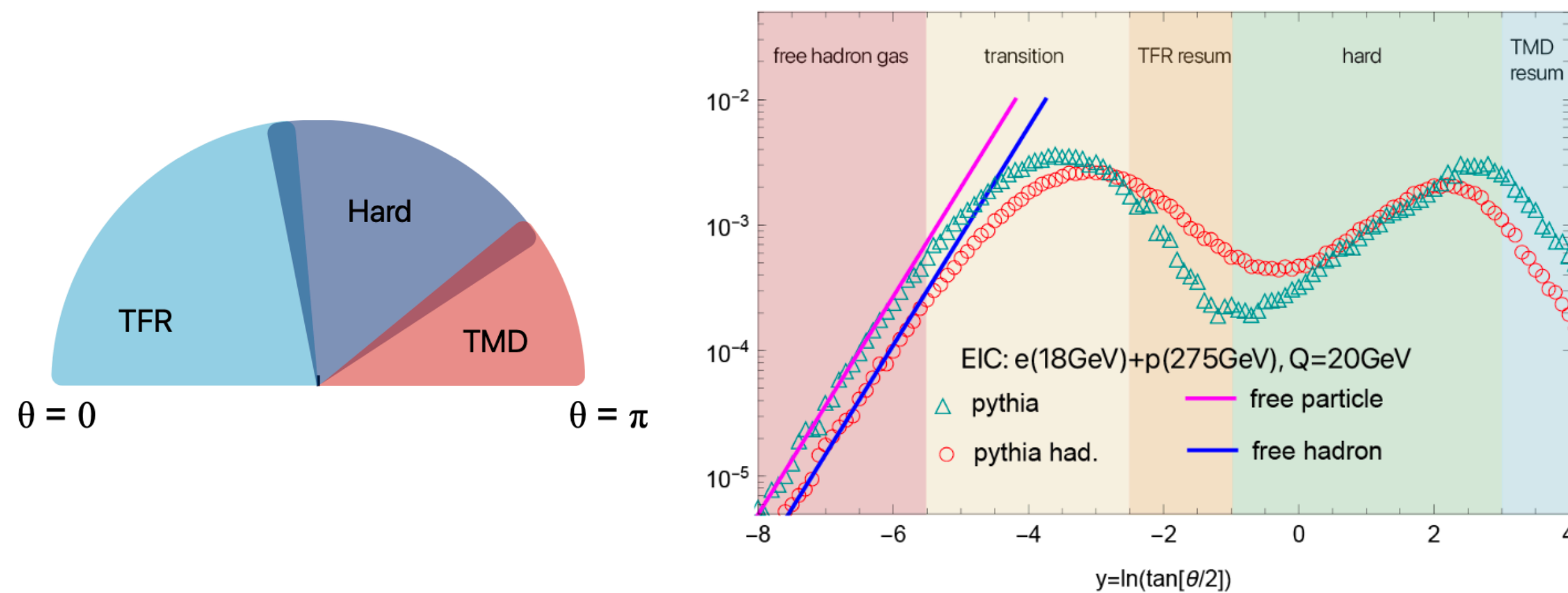
# EEC@EIC

## Nucleon Energy Correlators

$$\Sigma_N(Q^2, \theta^2) = \sum_i \int d\sigma(x_B, Q^2, p_i) x_B^{N-1} \frac{\bar{n} \cdot p_i}{P} \delta(\theta^2 - \theta_i^2)$$

Liu, Zhu, arXiv:2209.02080

Cao, Liu, Zhu, arXiv:2303.01530



TFR: the correlation of the energy flows from the initial nucleon.

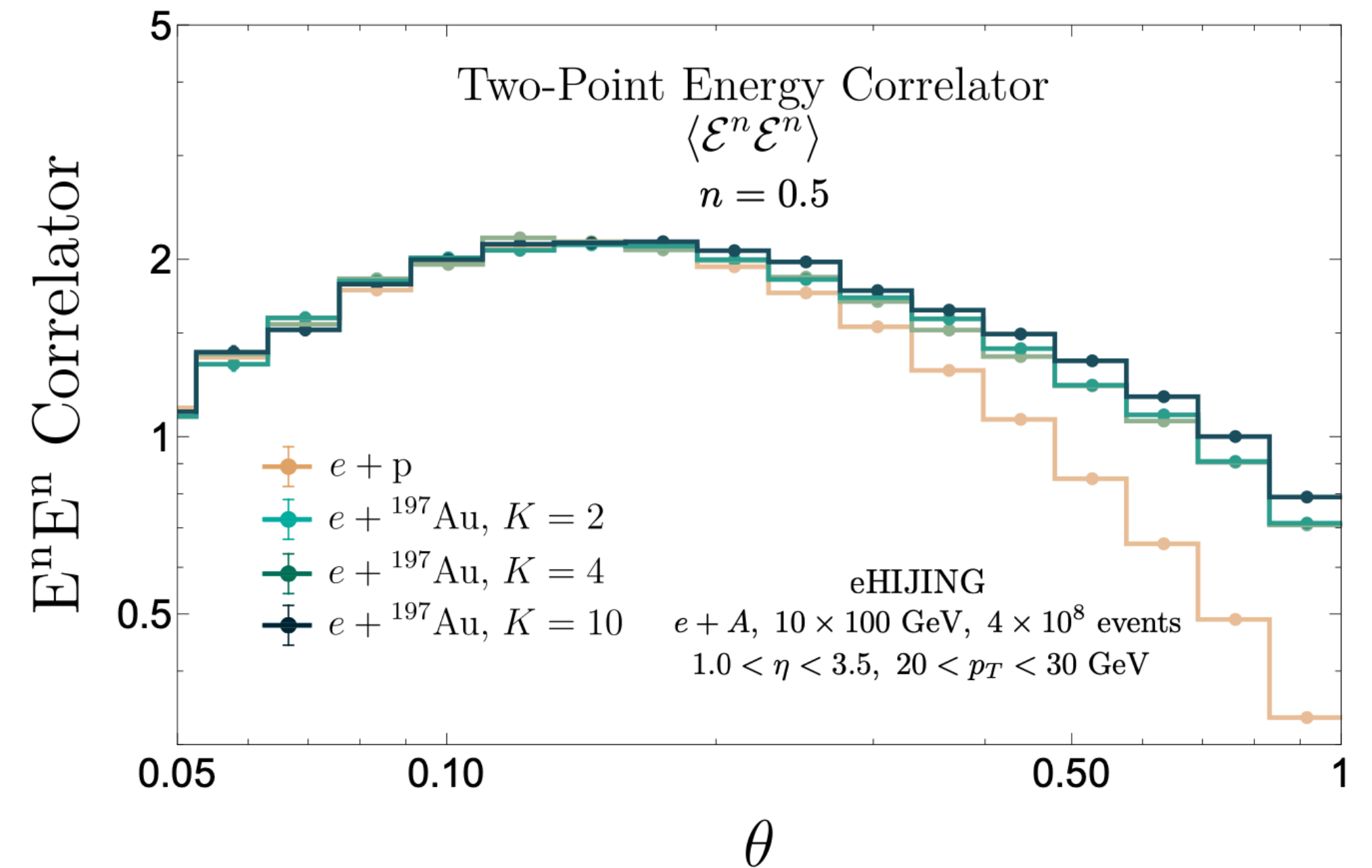
Hard: measures the perturbative behavior of QCD

TMD: measures perturbative and nonperturbative TMD physics

HTL, Vitev, Zhu, arXiv:2006.02437

HTL, Makris, Vitev, arXiv: 2102.05669

Cao, HTL, Mi, arXiv:2312.07655



Devereaux, Fan, Ke, Lee, Moul, arXiv: 2303.08143

Fu, Muller, Sirimanna, arXiv: 2411.04866

Andres, Dominguez, Holguin, Marquet, Moul, arXiv:2411.15298



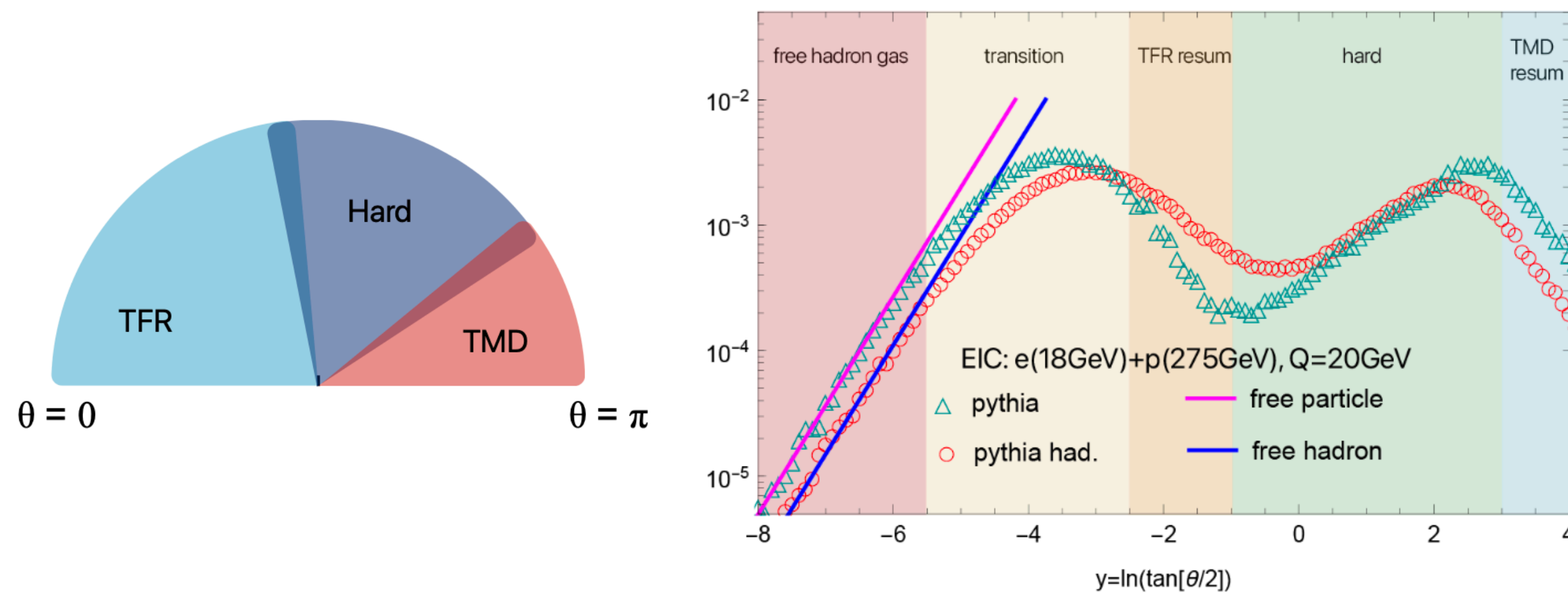
# EEC@EIC

## Nucleon Energy Correlators

$$\Sigma_N(Q^2, \theta^2) = \sum_i \int d\sigma(x_B, Q^2, p_i) x_B^{N-1} \frac{\bar{n} \cdot p_i}{P} \delta(\theta^2 - \theta_i^2)$$

Liu, Zhu, arXiv:2209.02080

Cao, Liu, Zhu, arXiv:2303.01530



TFR: the correlation of the energy flows from the initial nucleon.

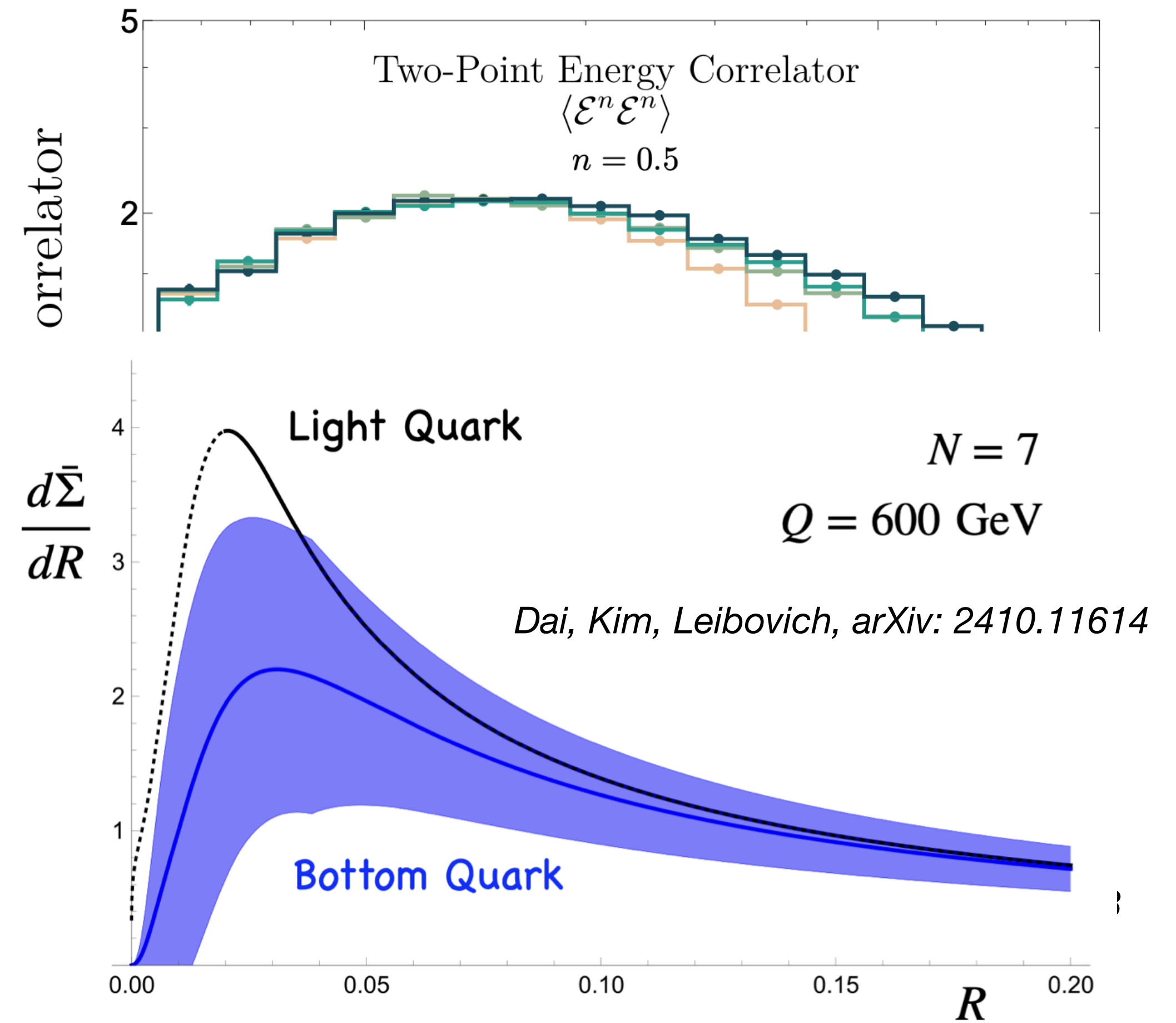
Hard: measures the perturbative behavior of QCD

TMD: measures perturbative and nonperturbative TMD physics

HTL, Vitev, Zhu, arXiv:2006.02437

HTL, Makris, Vitev, arXiv: 2102.05669

Cao, HTL, Mi, arXiv:2312.07655



# Conclusion

- ❑ Investigated nuclear matter corrections to light and heavy flavor jet production at EIC
- ❑ Presented the method to separate the initial and final state effects
- ❑ Discussed the Centrality-dependent modification
- ❑ Discussed nuclear matter corrections to hadron production at EIC
- ❑ Briefly discussed using the EEC to probe nuclear structure

# Conclusion

- ❑ Investigated nuclear matter corrections to light and heavy flavor jet production at EIC
- ❑ Presented the method to separate the initial and final state effects
- ❑ Discussed the Centrality-dependent modification
- ❑ Discussed nuclear matter corrections to hadron production at EIC
- ❑ Briefly discussed using the EEC to probe nuclear structure

**Thank you!**