

R -dependence of inclusive jet suppression and groomed jet splittings in heavy-ion collisions with ALICE

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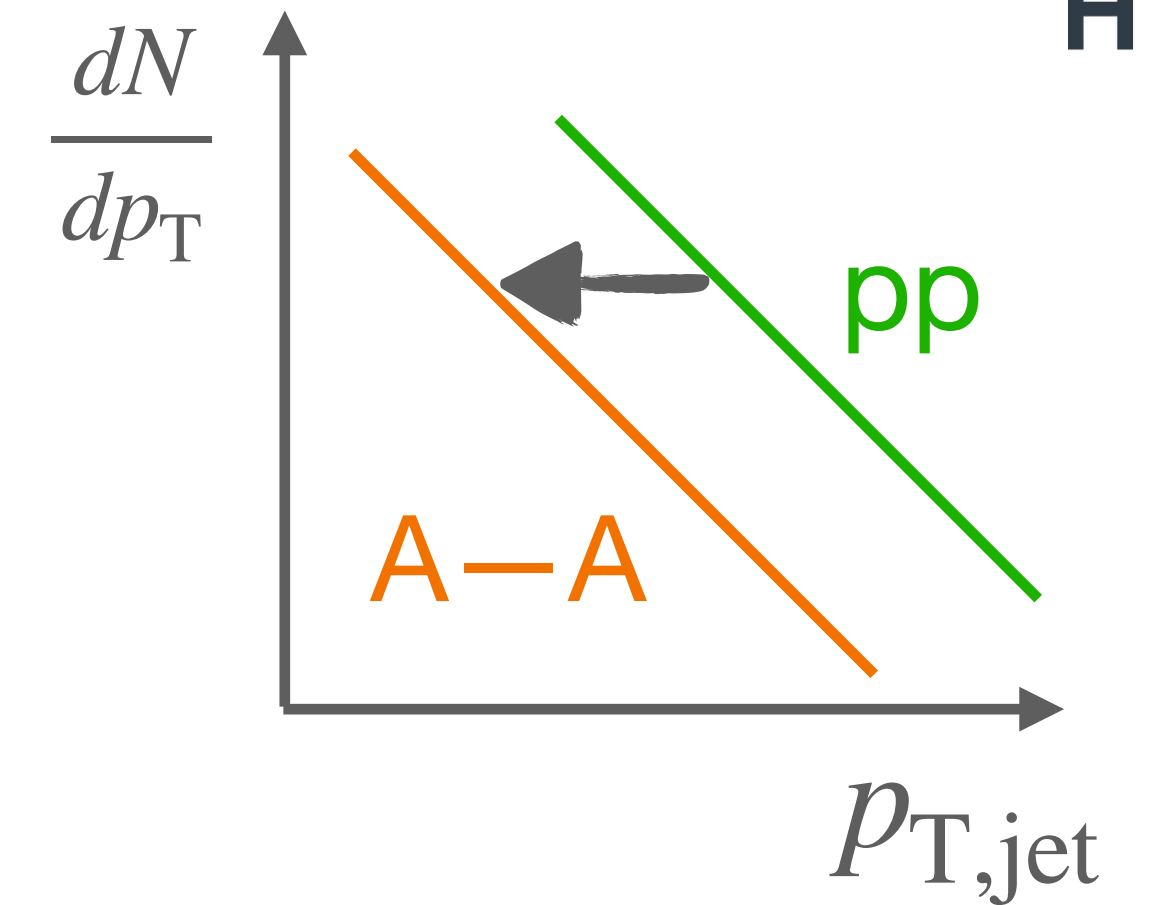
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Expectations of jet quenching (1/2)

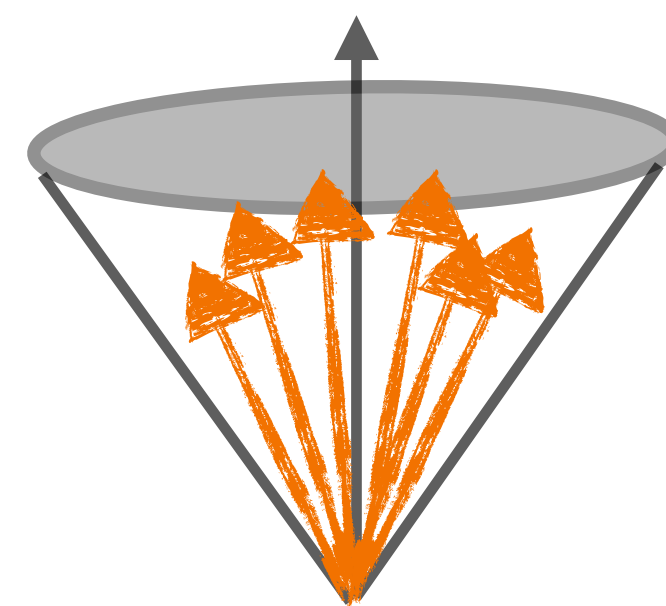
- 1 Parton energy loss leading to a suppression of jet yields in heavy-ions (A—A) in comparison to vacuum (pp).



- 2 Internal structure modification due to...



Vacuum jet



Jet in Medium

Momentum broadening

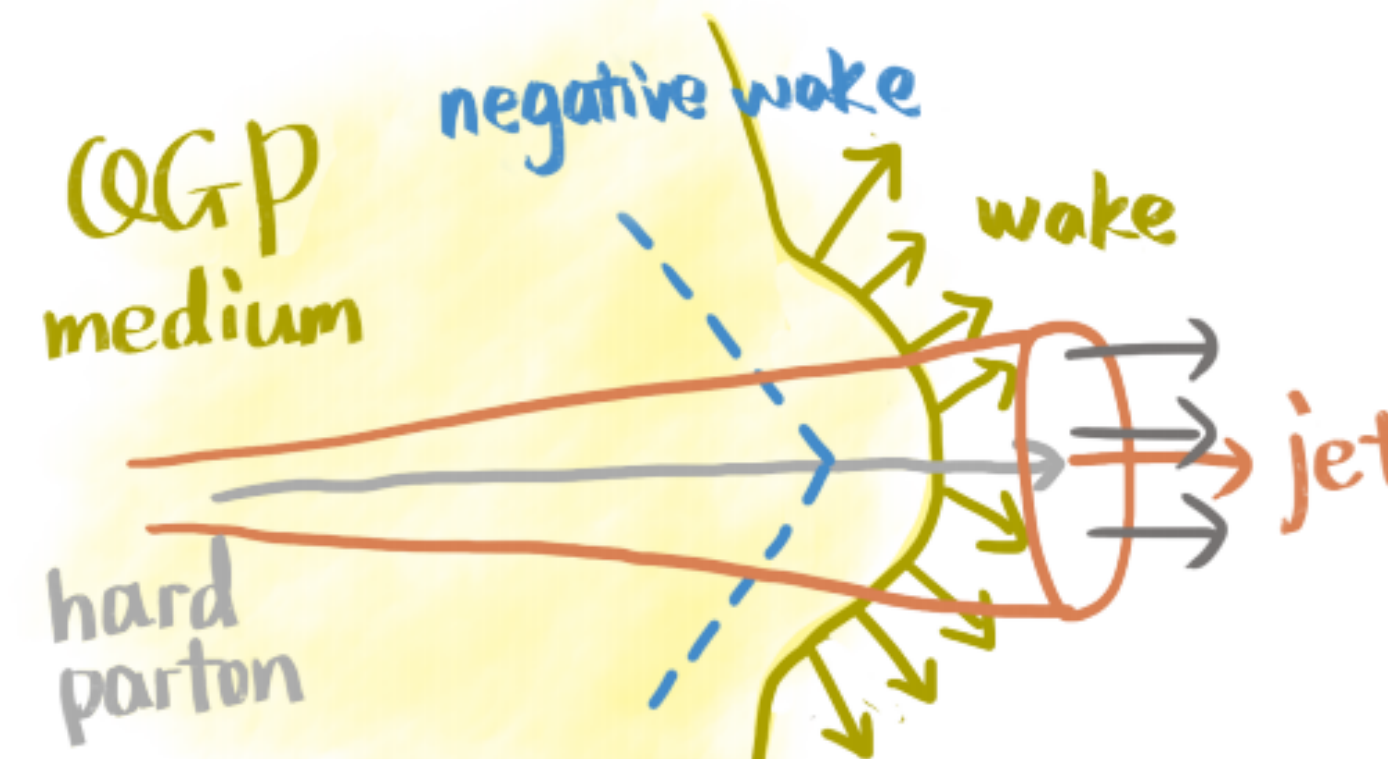
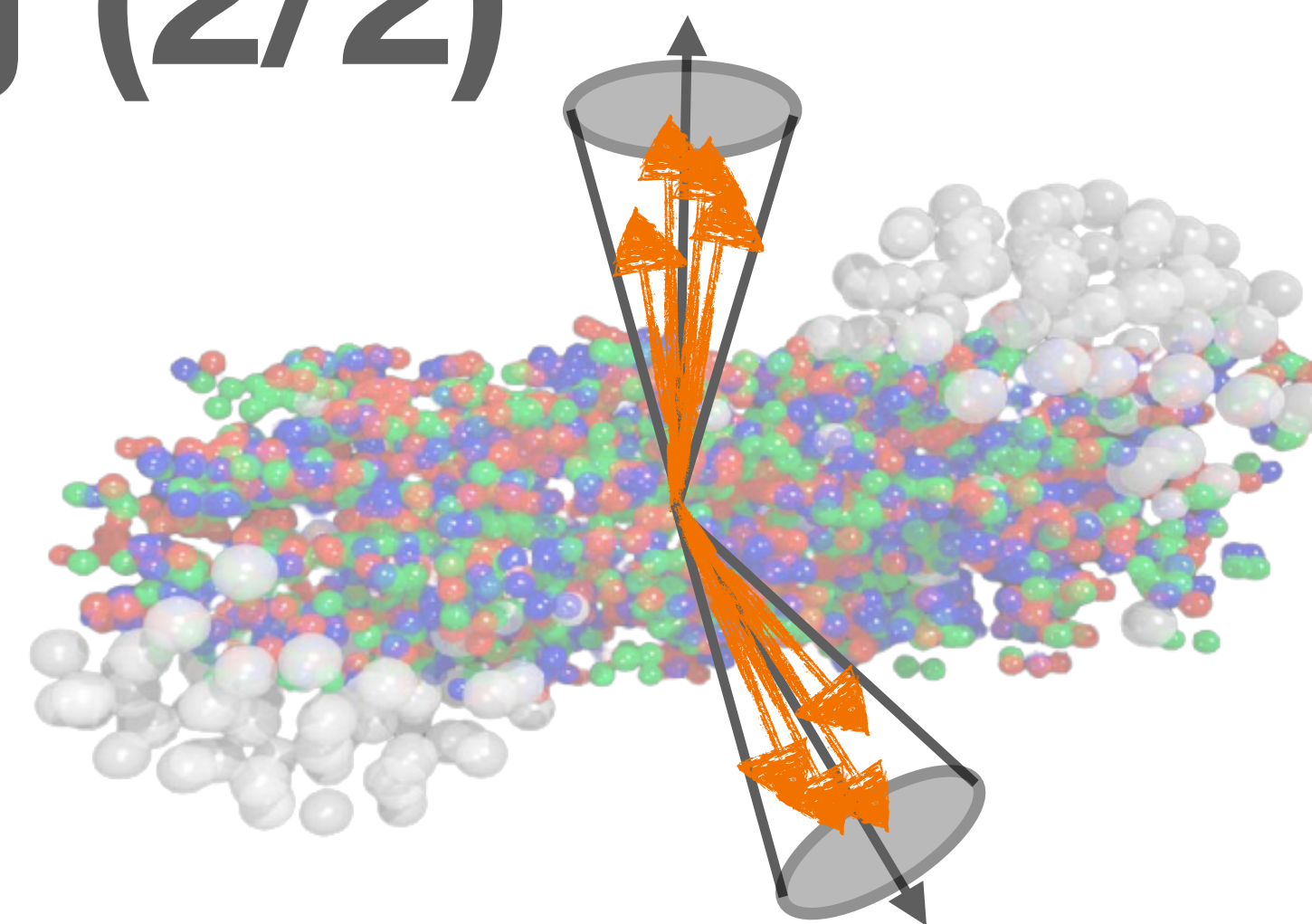


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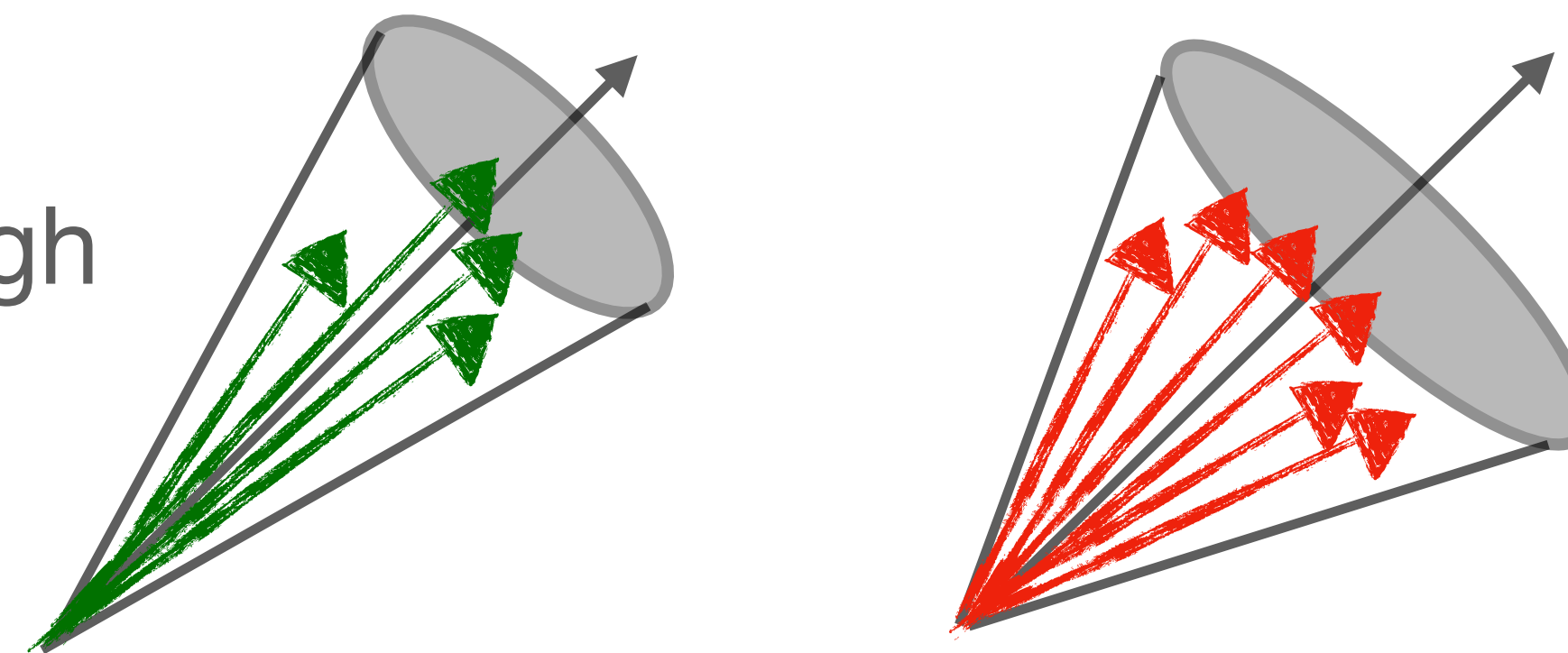
Medium-induced wake

Expectations of jet quenching (2/2)

- ③ Deflection of the jet centroid due to multiple soft scatterings or scatterings with QGP quasi-particles.



- Different jets with different partonic structures, flavors, transverse momenta, path lengths through the medium, etc. lose energy differently.



- The same jets can lose energy differently due to fluctuations in jet-medium interactions.

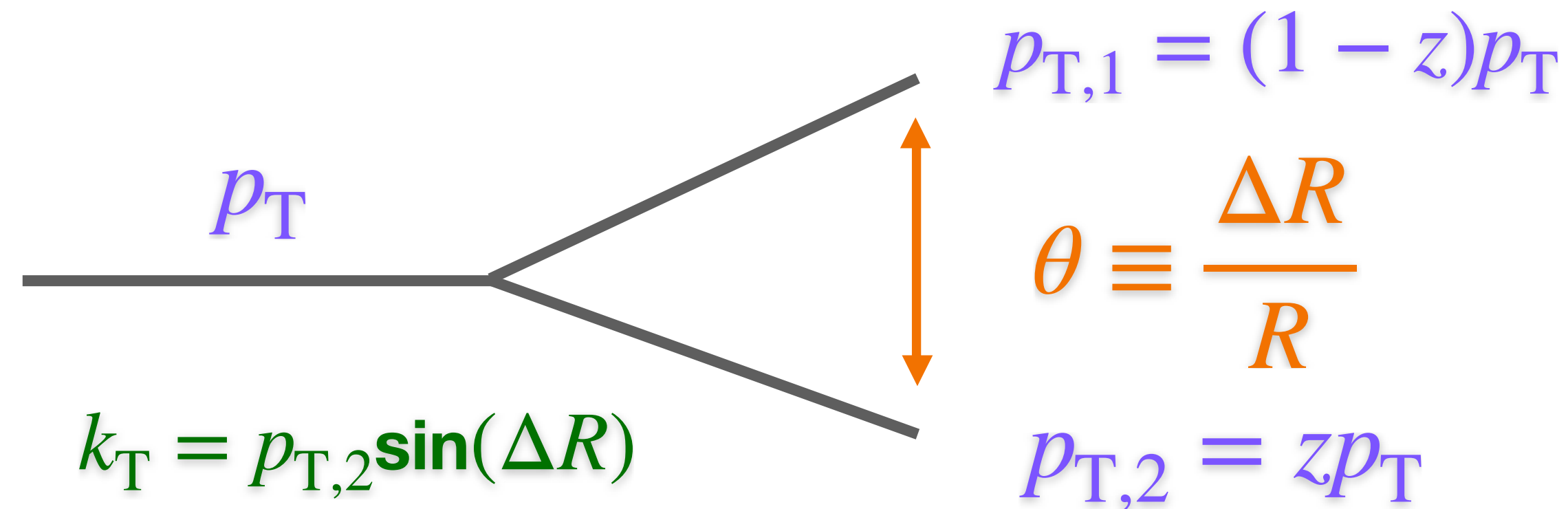
Isolating the same jet population can be challenging, but useful for disentangling energy loss mechanisms.

Jet splittings



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→ Use declustering history to experimentally probe partonic splittings within jets.



z : shared momentum fraction between subjects (**asymmetry**)

$$z = \frac{p_{T,2}}{p_{T,1} + p_{T,2}} = \frac{p_{T,2}}{p_T}$$

θ : opening angle between subjects (**width**)

k_T : relative transverse momentum of subjects (**hardness**)

Grooming methods

- In vacuum: mitigate impact of hadronization, MPIs, pileup
- In medium: reduce sensitivity to soft background, removes some soft signal from momentum broadening and medium response. (Focus on hard structure modification)

Soft Drop Grooming:

- Select hard splittings

$$z > z_{\text{cut}} \left(\frac{\Delta R}{R} \right)^\beta$$

- Results in this talk use $\beta = 0$
- In heavy-ion collisions, increasing z_{cut} can be used to mitigate background

Mulligan et al. Phys. Rev. C 102 (2020) 4, 044913

Larkoski et al. JHEP 05 (2014) 146

Dynamical Grooming:

- Find hardest branch amongst set of iterative splittings
- Grooming cutoff in z is generated on a jet-by-jet basis
- Different values of a specify different hardness measures

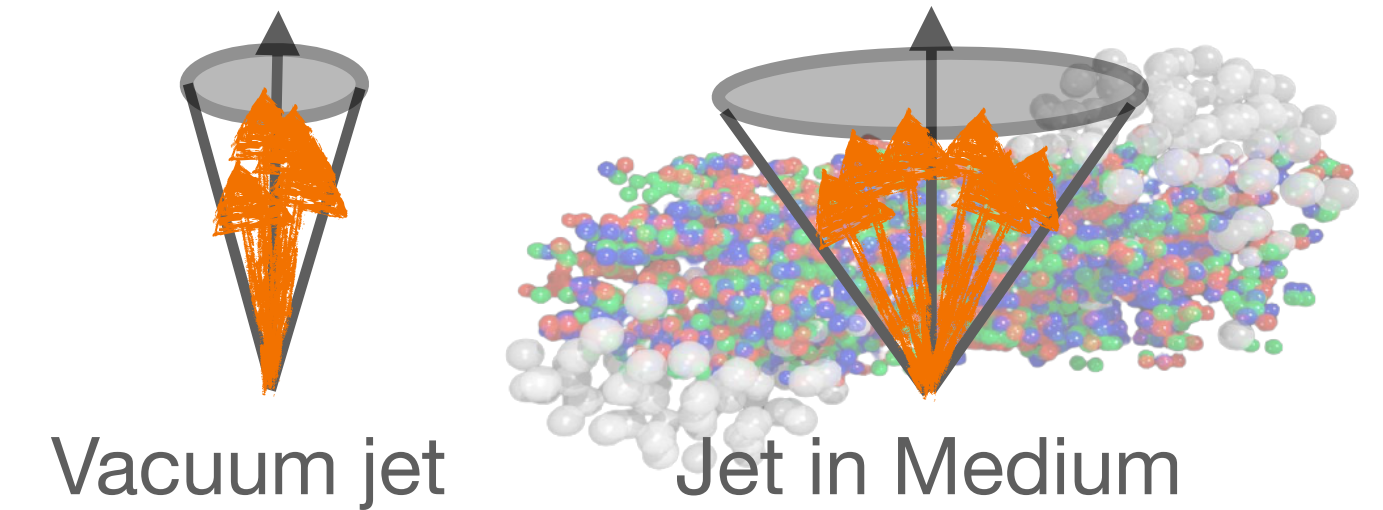
$$\kappa^{(a)} = \frac{1}{p_T} \max_{i \in C/A} z_i (1 - z_i) p_{T,i} \left(\frac{\Delta R_i}{R} \right)^a$$

Mehtar-Tani et al., Phys. Rev. D. 101.034004



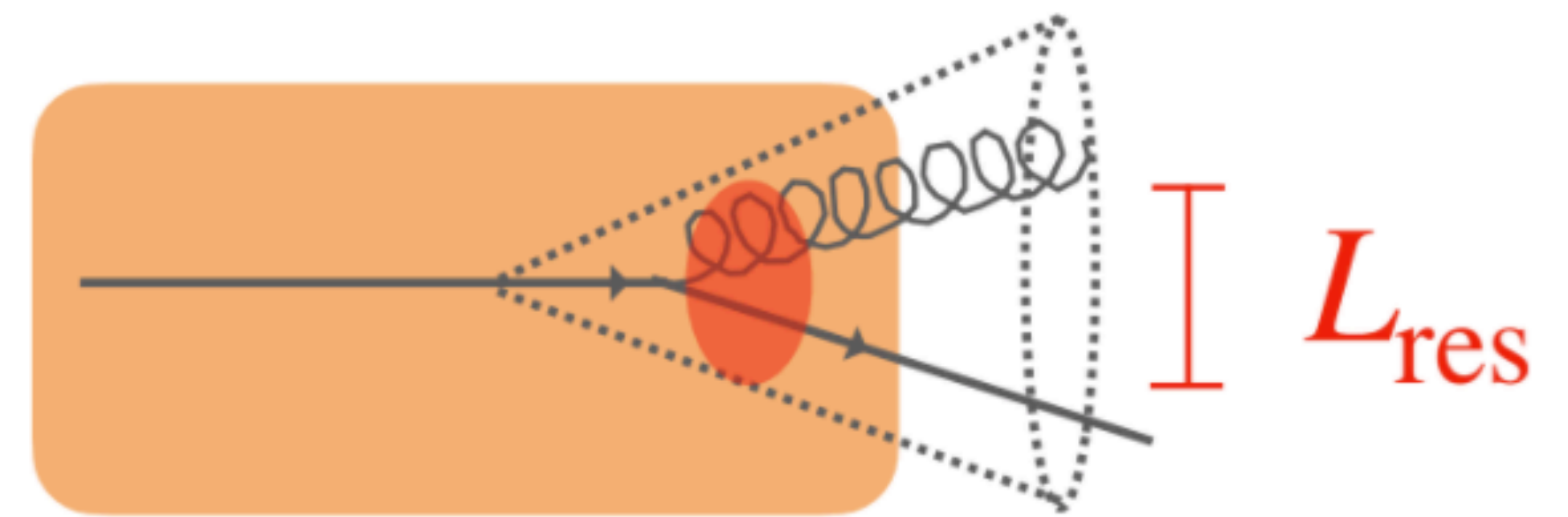
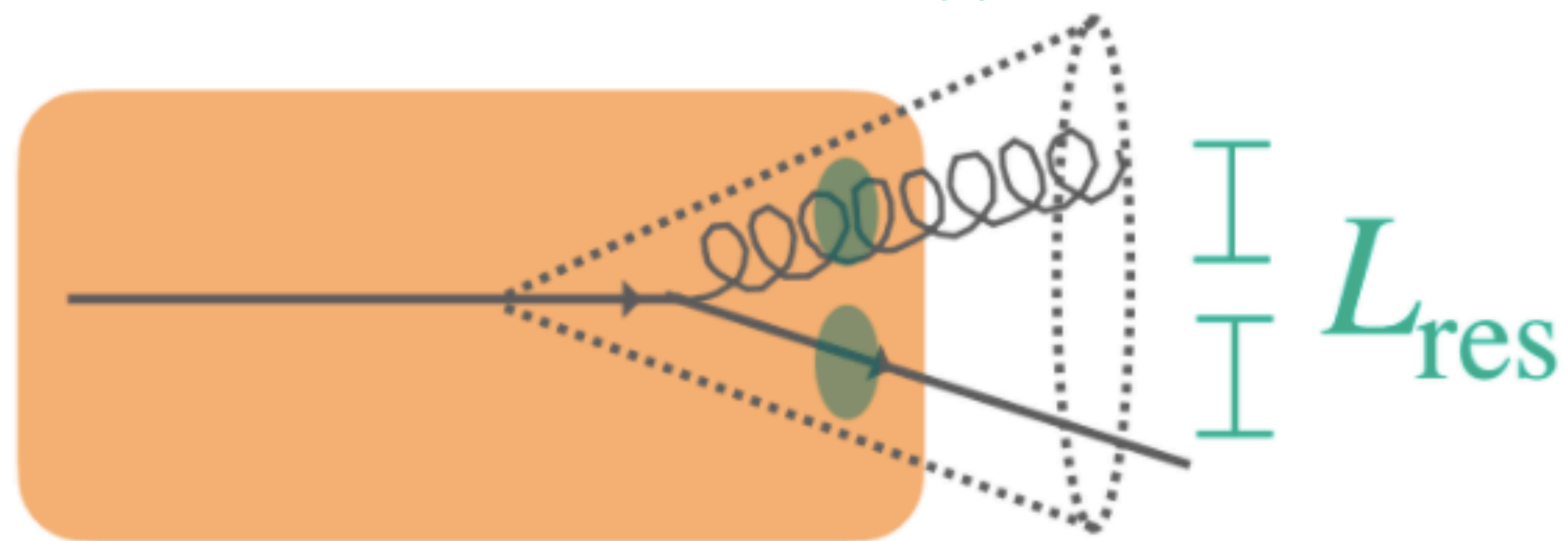
Physics of jet splittings

- In vacuum, jet splittings can be used to probe pQCD, BSM searches etc.
- In medium, jet splittings can be used to probe the modification of jet substructure
- resolution length of the medium and its space-time structure, QGP effect on the splitting function, identify in-medium scatterings, etc.



Decoherence: medium resolves split, more energy loss (more effective energy loss sources)
 (Fully Decoherent $\sim L_{res} = 0$)

Coherence: medium does not resolve split, less energy loss
 (Fully Coherent $\sim L_{res} = \infty$)



Groomed momentum splitting fraction

→ Increased z_{cut} to reduce the background.

→ No observed modification of the groomed momentum splitting fraction (z_g).

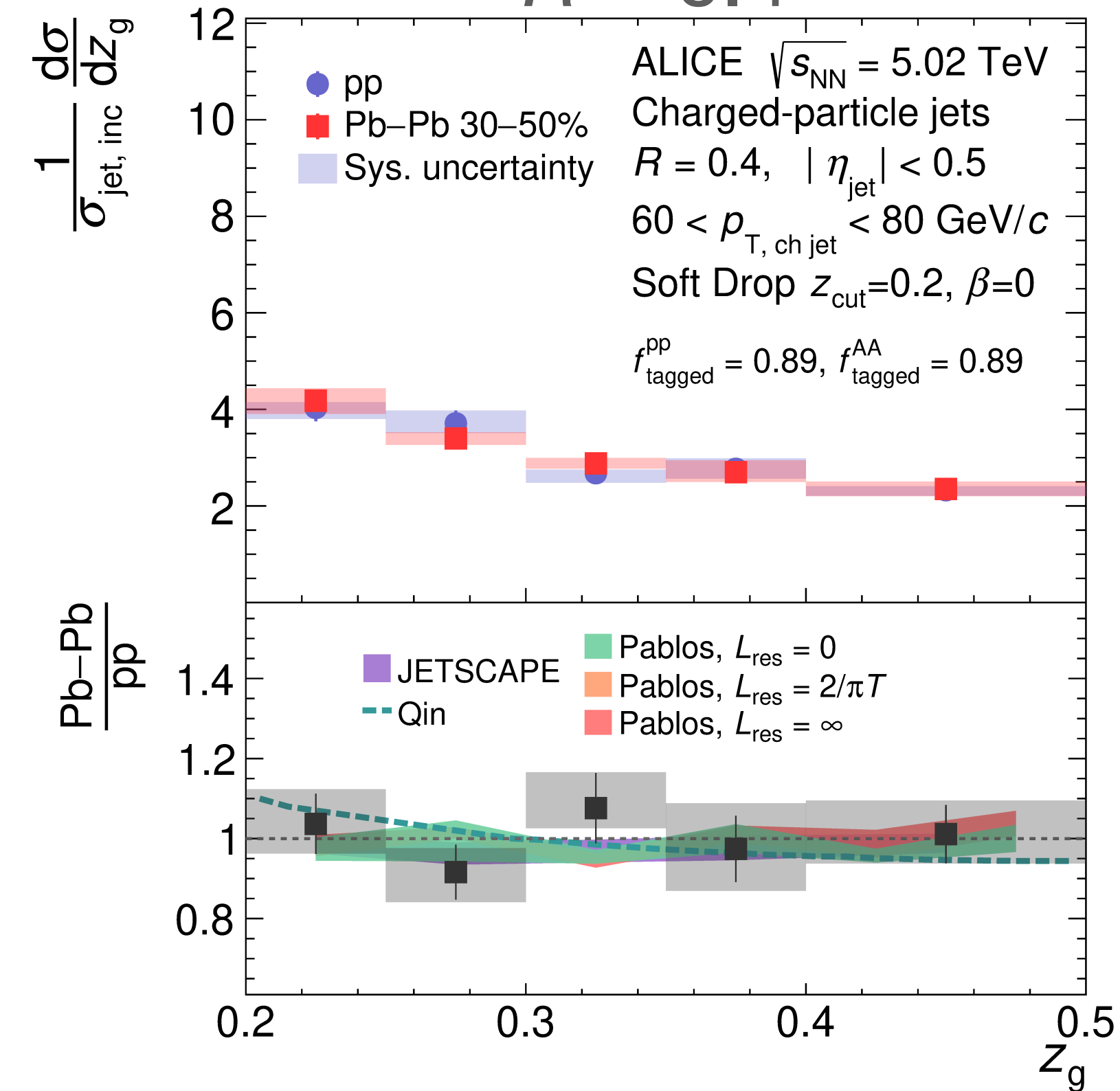
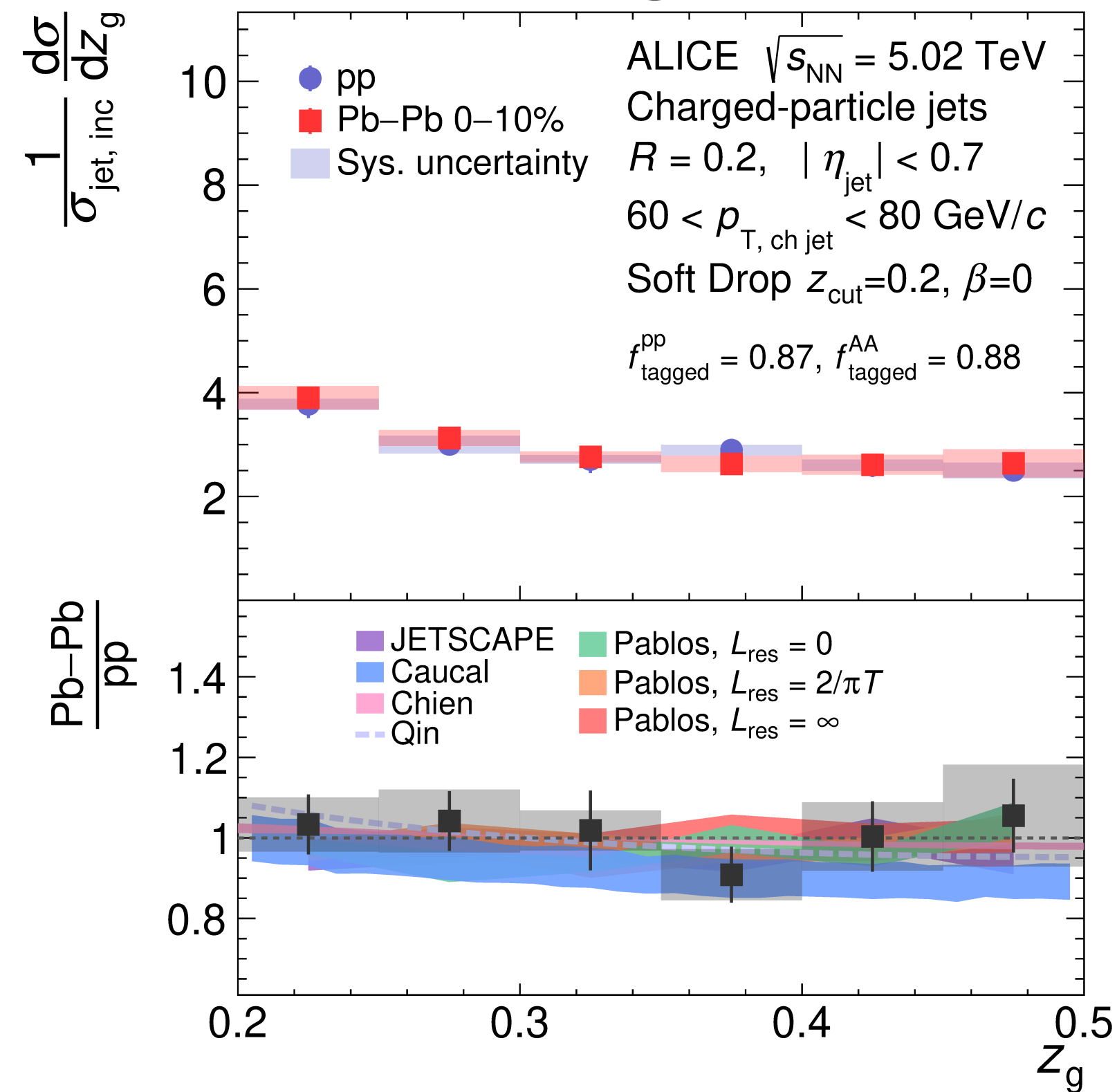
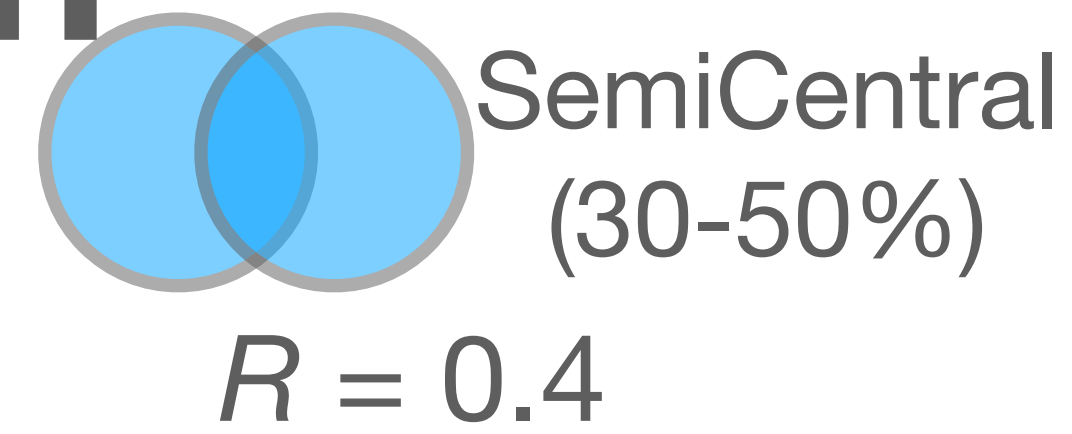
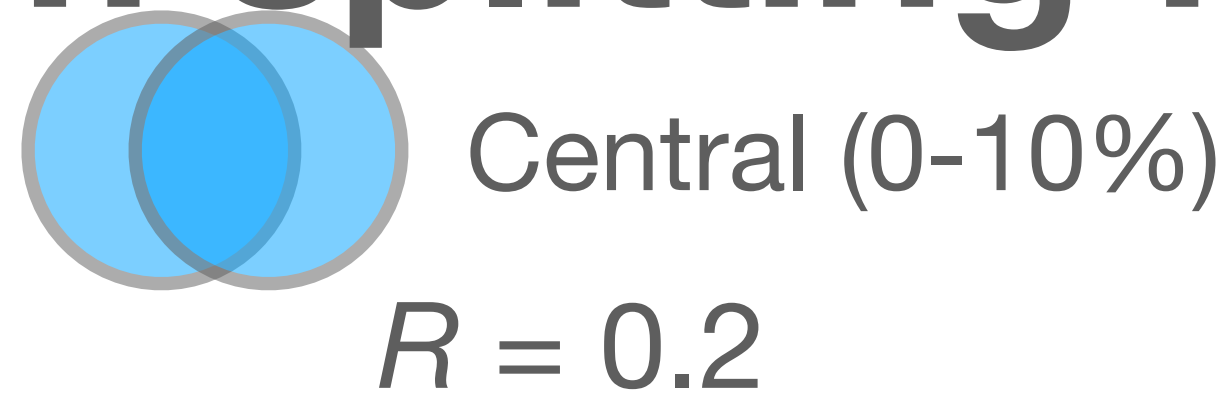
→ Consistent with quenching models.

[Pablos et al. JHEP \(2020\) 044](#)

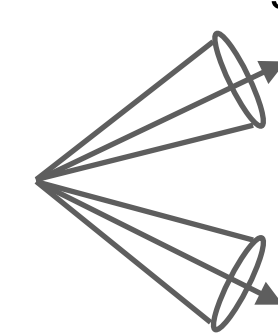
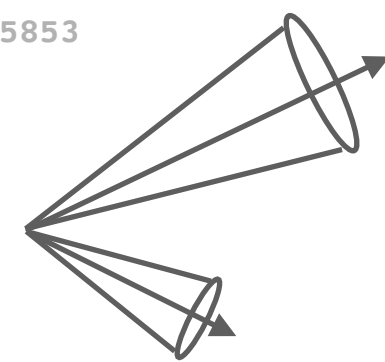
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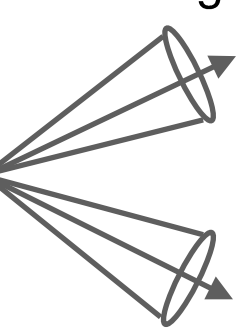
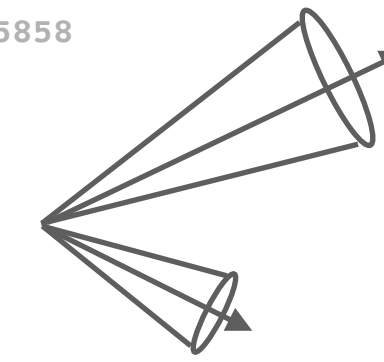
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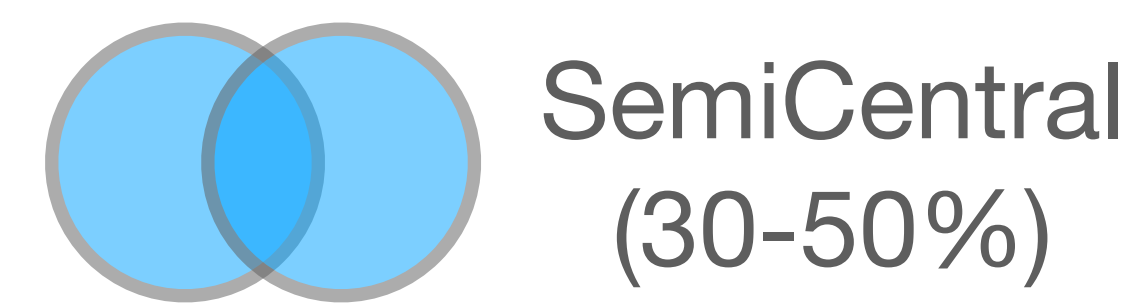


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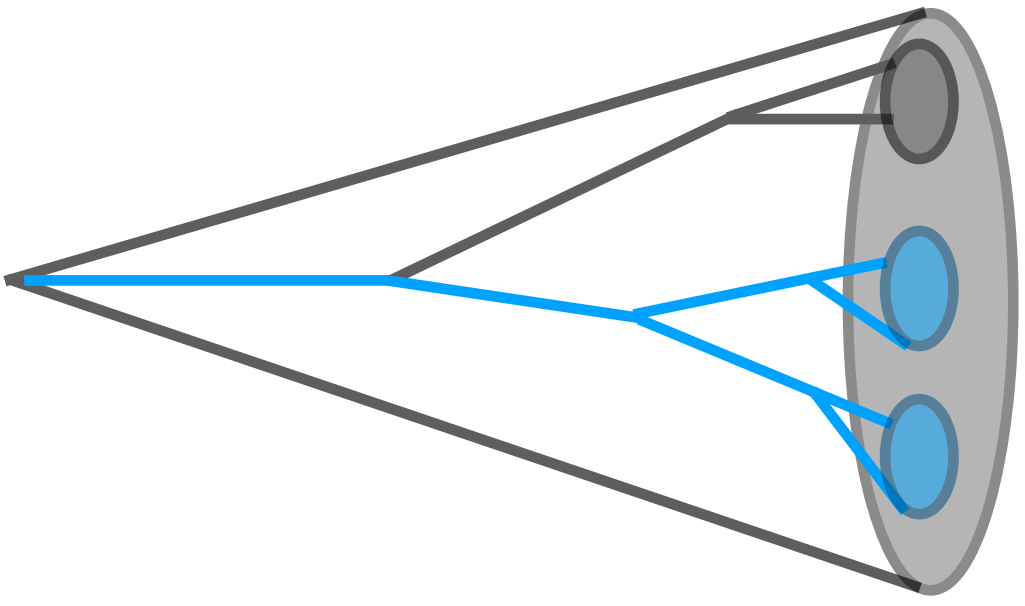


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Groomed jet radius



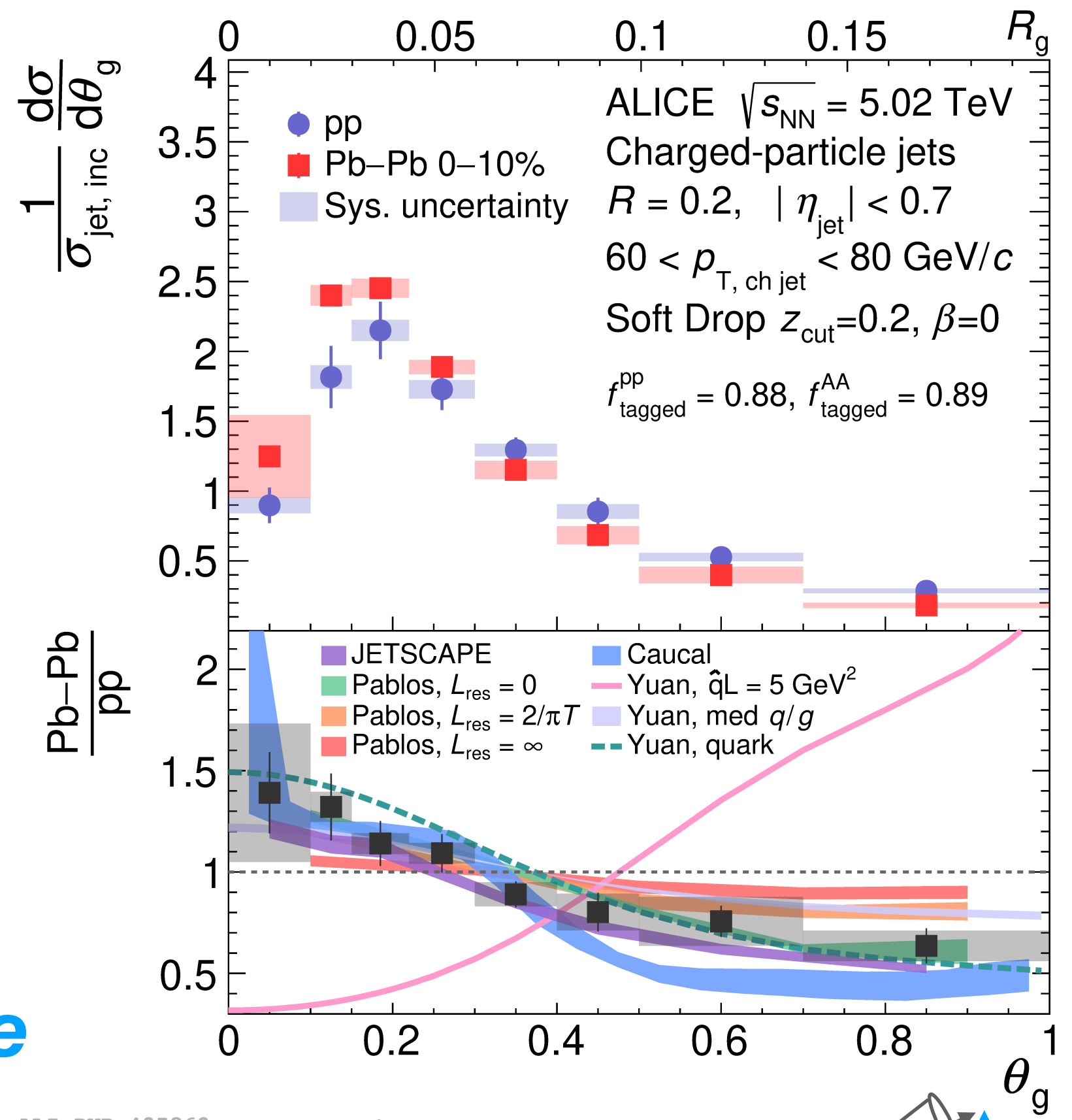
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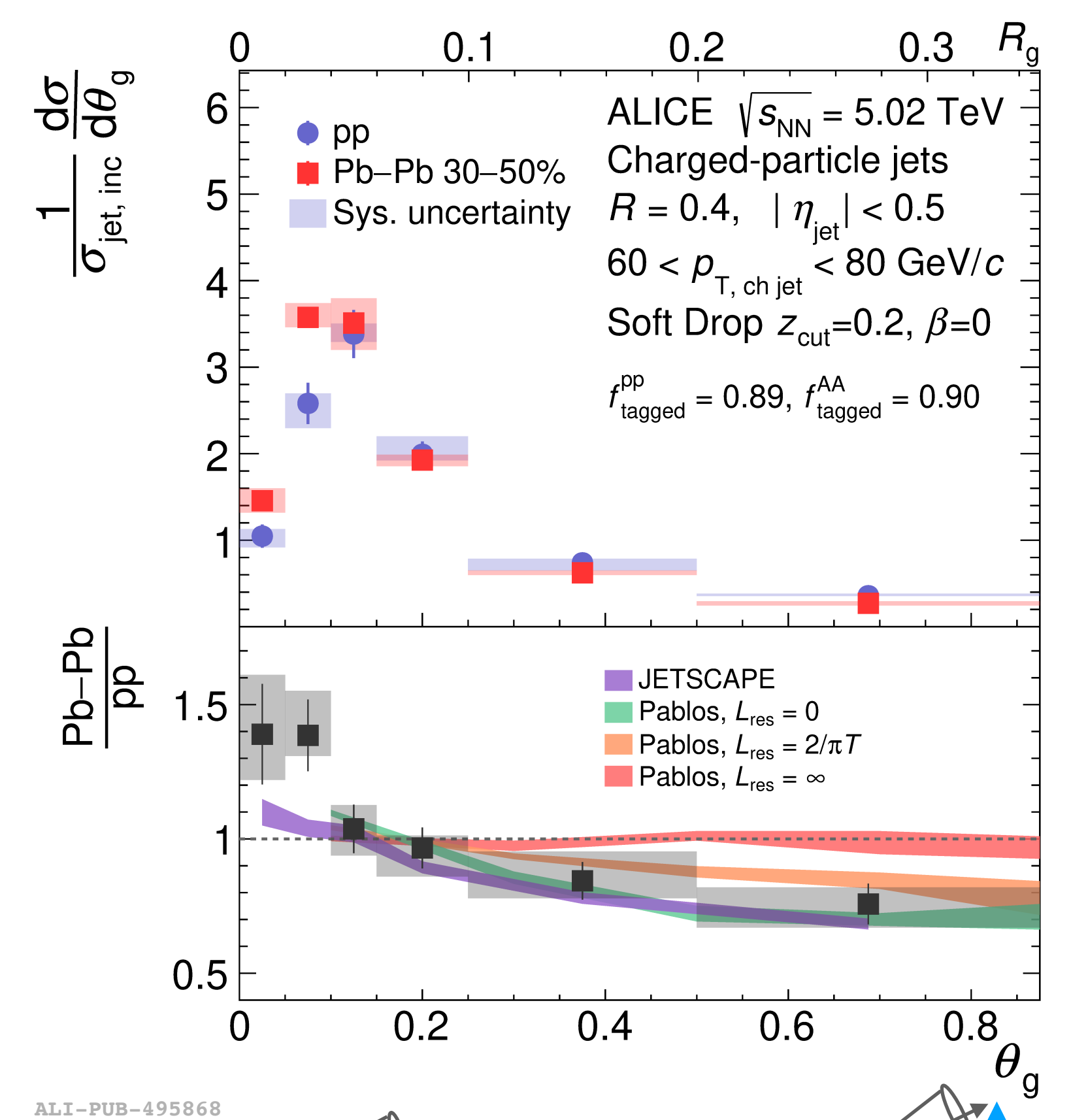
$$\theta_g \equiv \frac{R_g}{R}$$

See a suppression of wide angle splittings, favored by models with decoherence.

Could this also be coherence with a high quark fraction?



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Phys. Rev. Lett. 128. 102001 (2022)



R-dependence of the R_{AA}

→ R -dependence of the R_{AA} is another way to disentangle energy loss mechanisms.

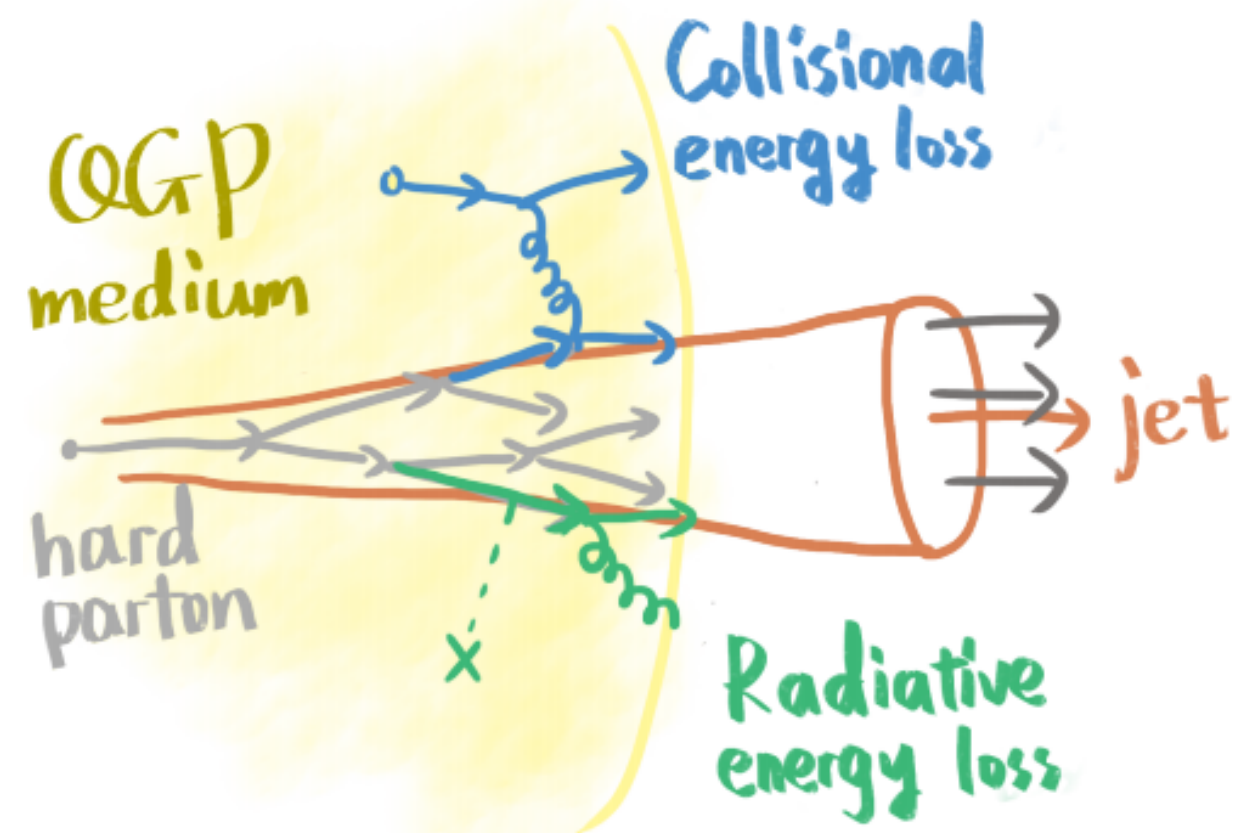
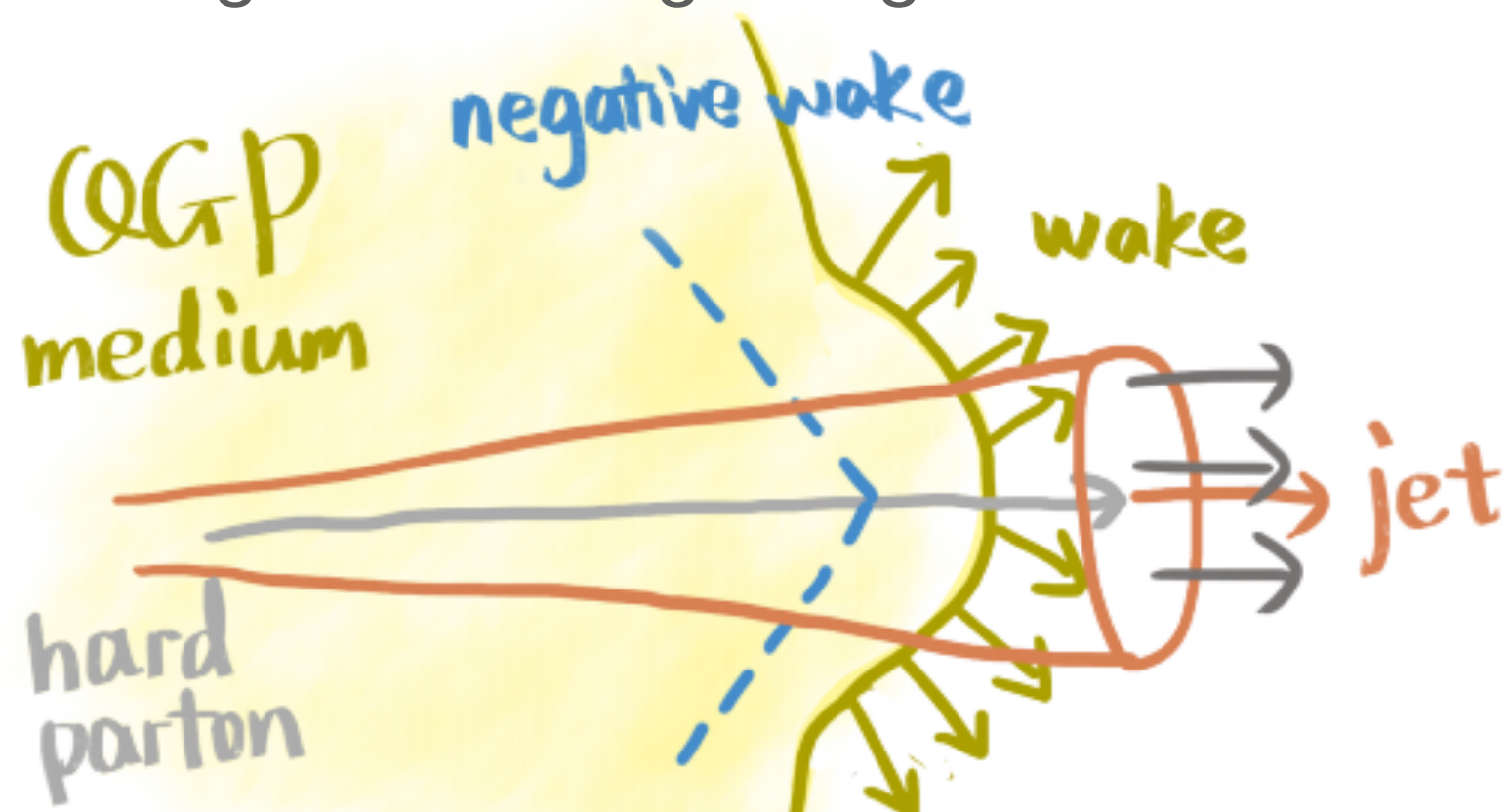


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→ Recovery of wide angle radiation $R_{AA} \nearrow$

→ Medium response adds energy to the jet cone $R_{AA} \nearrow$

→ Large R jets have more effective energy loss sources, therefore could experience more quenching. $R_{AA} \searrow$

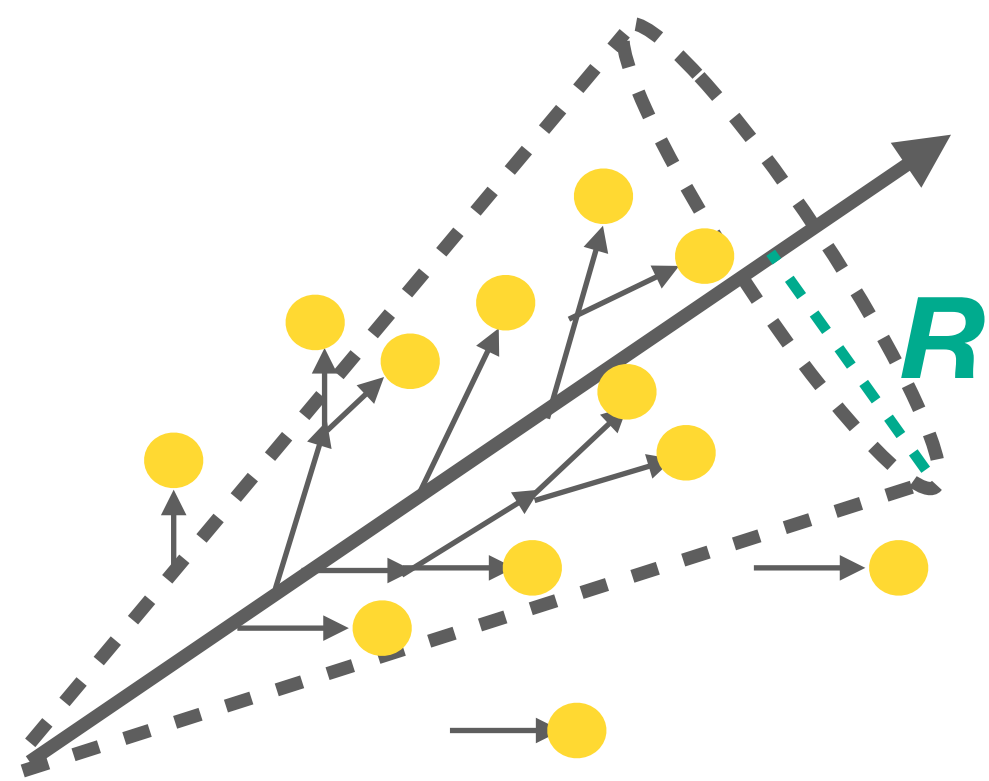
→ Increase gluon to quark ratio at fixed p_T , gluons lose more energy $R_{AA} \searrow$

→ Inclusive jet measurements at large R and low p_T difficult due to the large fluctuating underlying event ($\propto R^2$)

ML-based background estimator

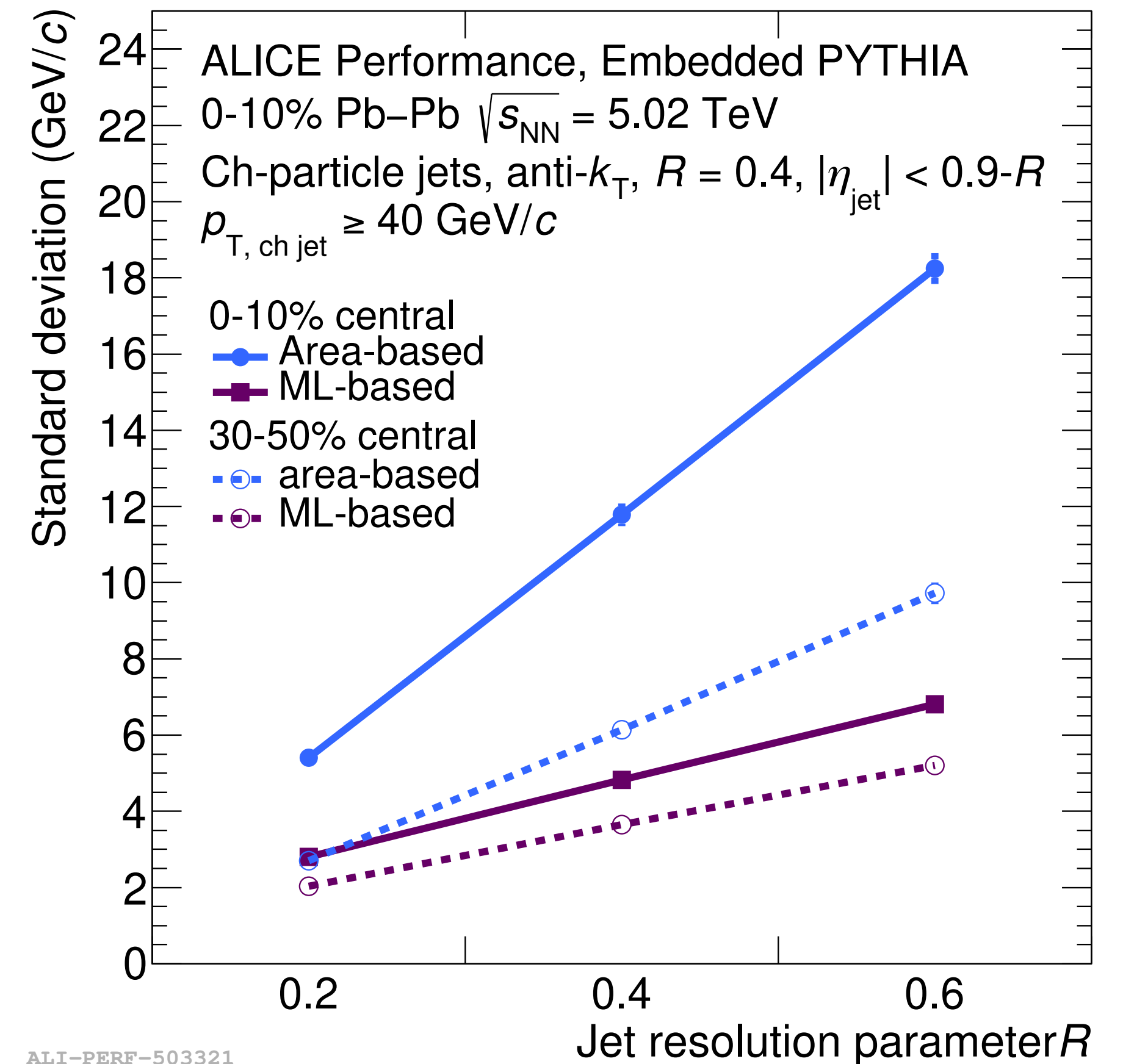
ALICE area-based approach: Correct the jet for the background with a pedestal subtraction. Apply a minimum p_T requirement on the leading track of the jet.

ML approach: Use ML to construct the mapping between measured and corrected jet without a leading track bias.



Fragmentation dependence introduced by learning on constituent information included as a systematic.

$$\delta p_T = p_{T,\text{rec}} - p_{T,\text{true}}$$



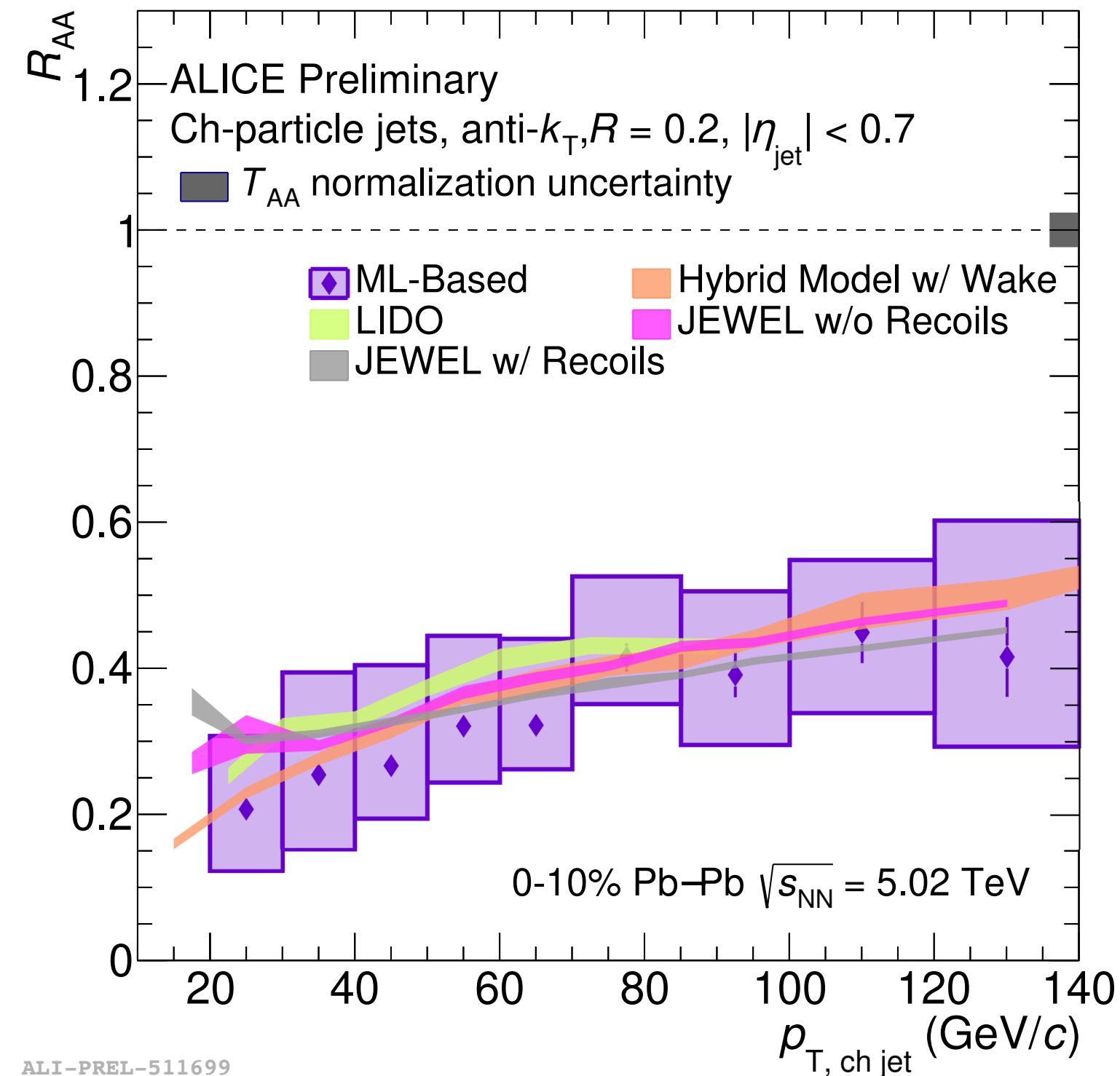
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Nuclear modification factors (0-10%)

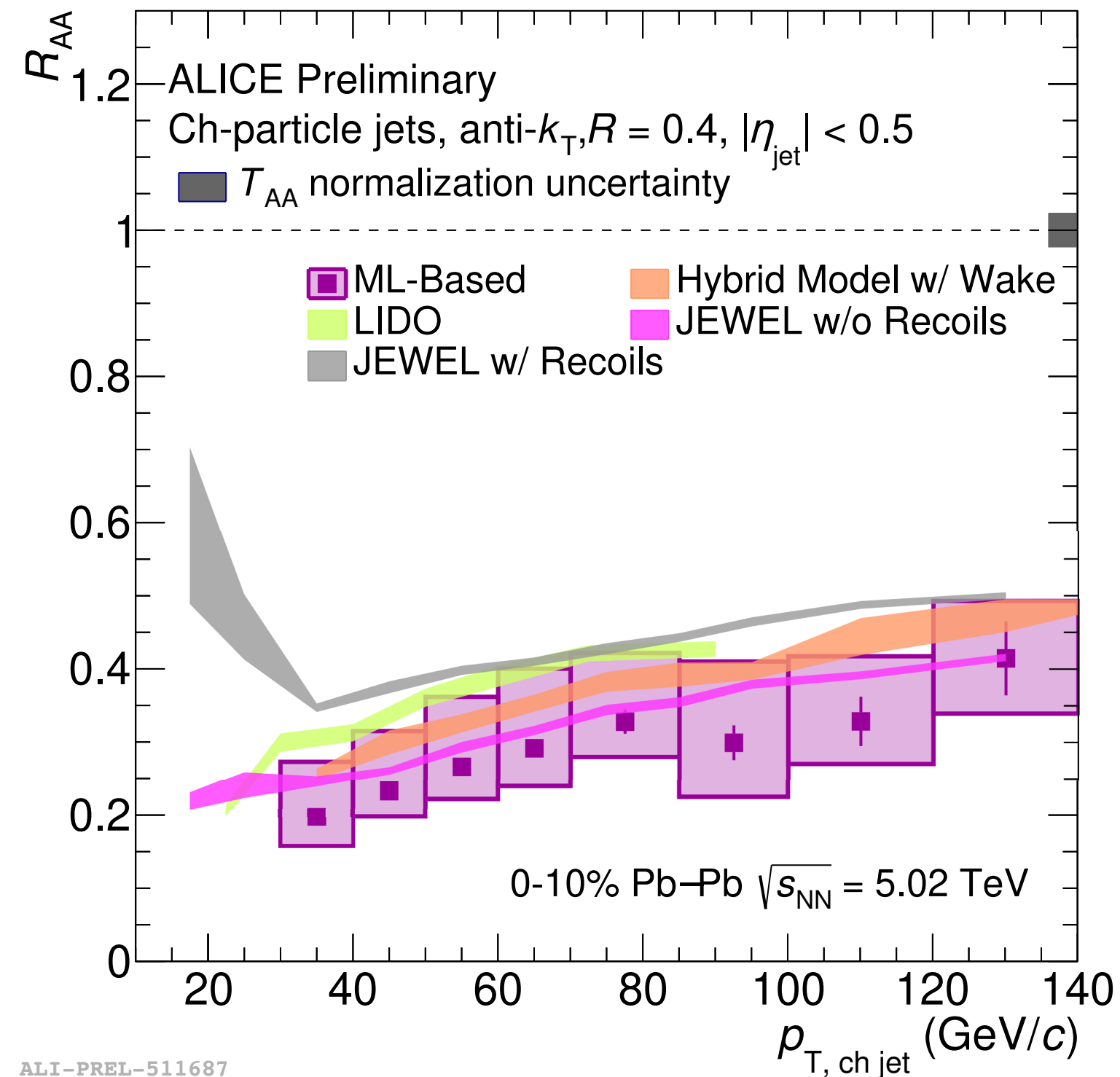


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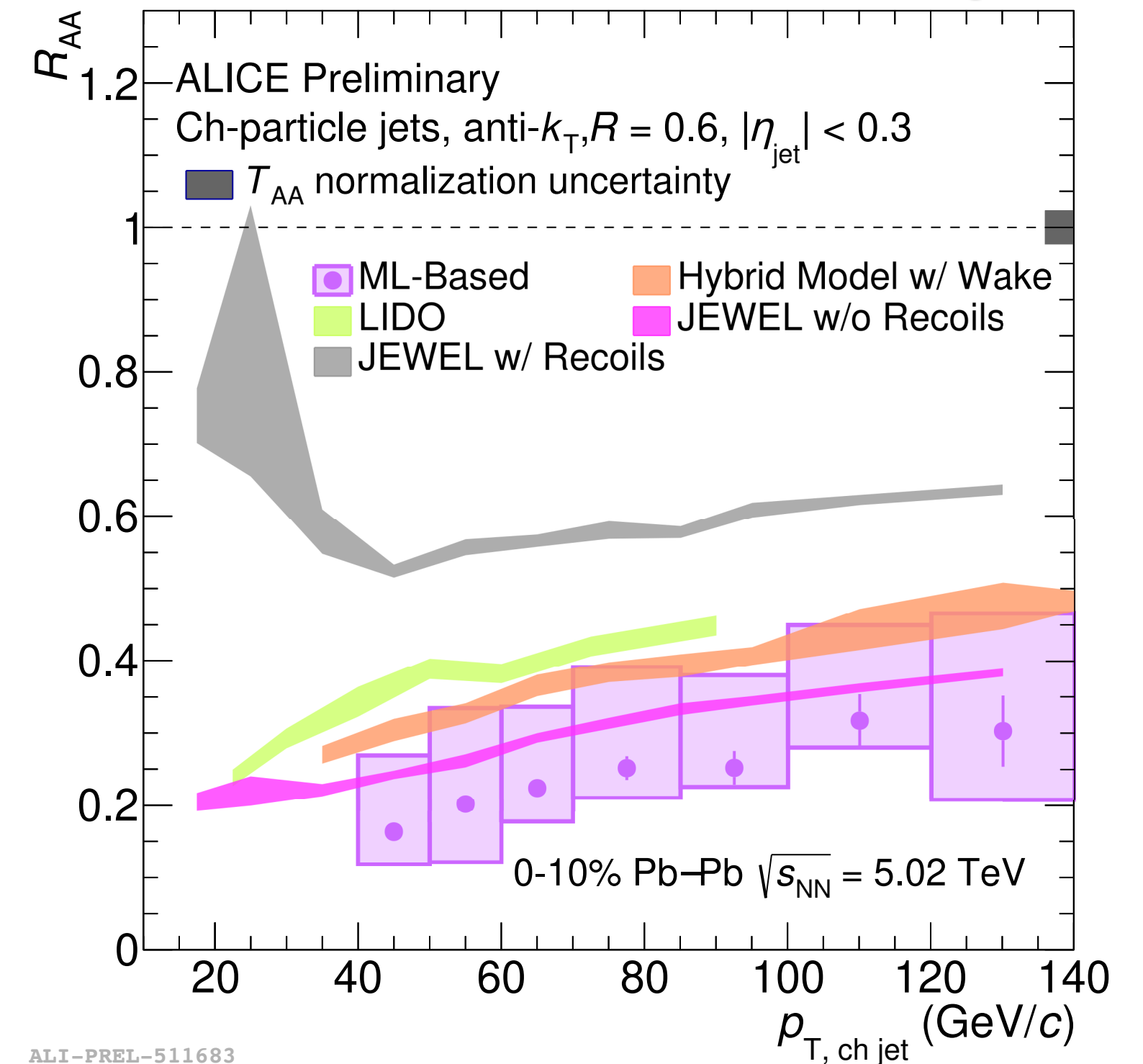
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$R = 0.4$



$R = 0.6$



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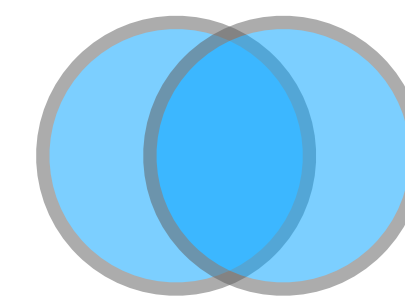
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➔ Measuring down to lower p_T and larger R than ever before in heavy-ions at the LHC!

➔ Models generally agree with data, but can they describe the R -dependence?

R -dependence via R_{AA} ratios



Central (0-10%)



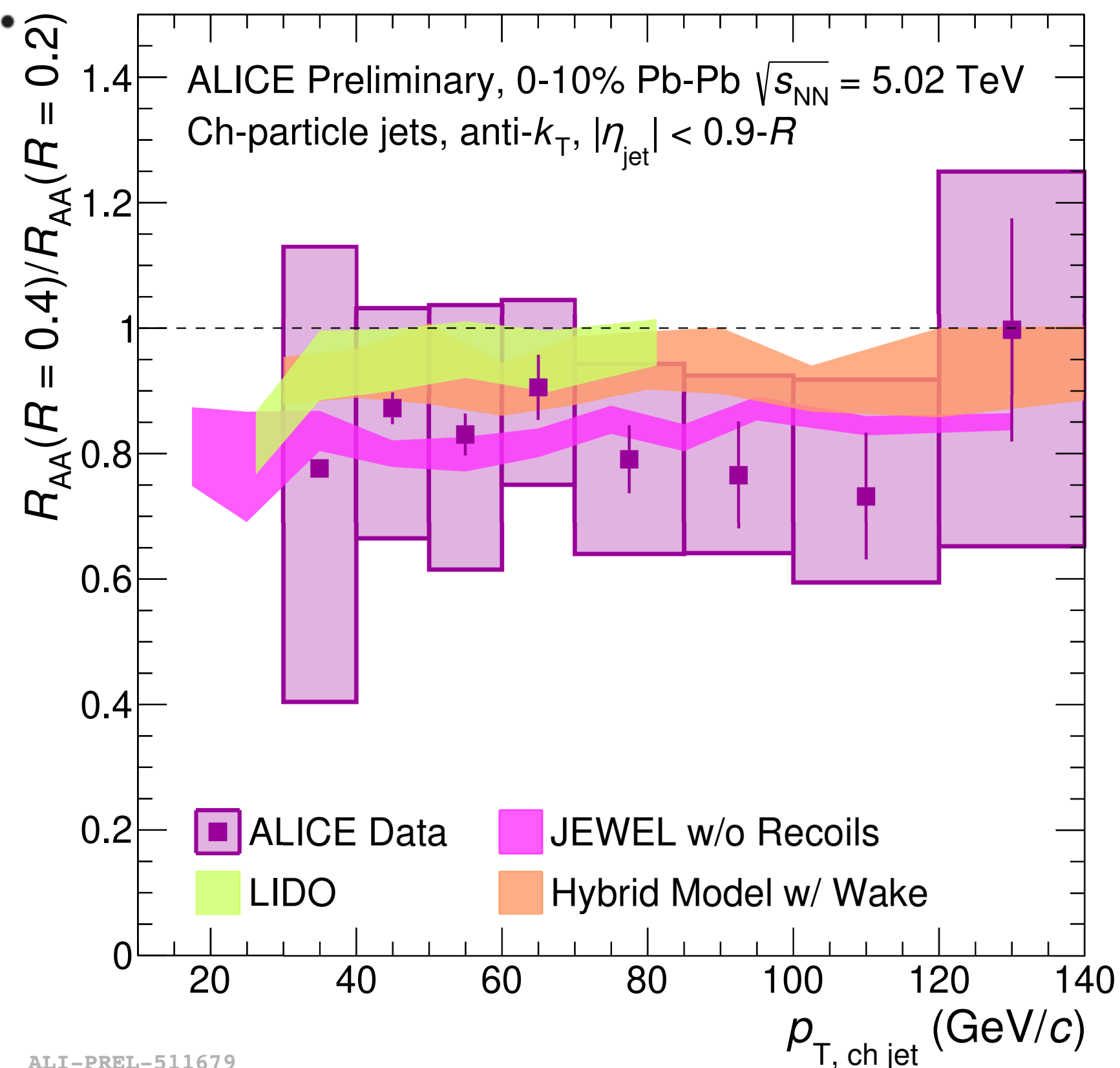
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→ R -dependence of the R_{AA} is a useful and discriminative measurement when compared to models.

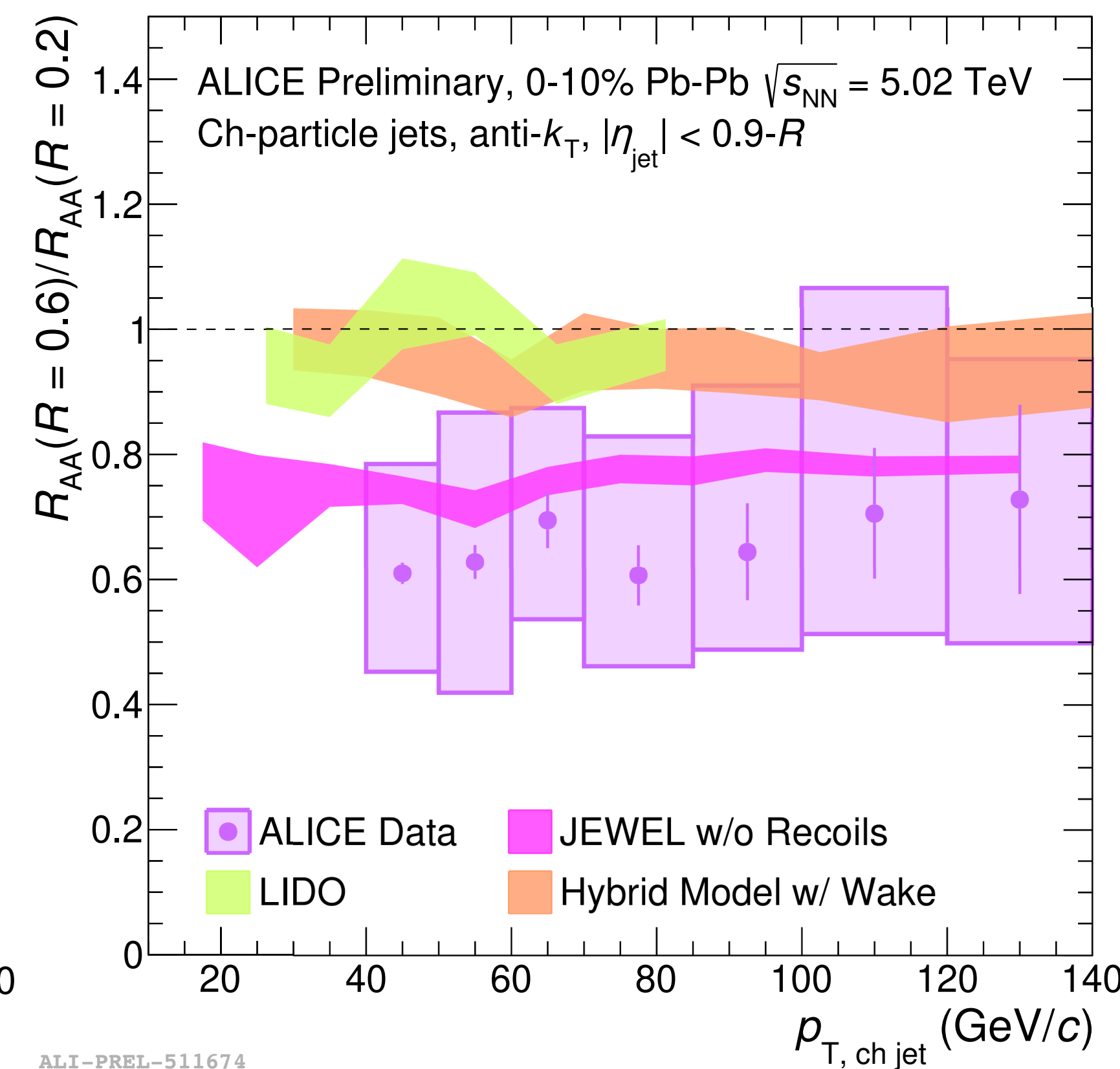
→ No evidence of R -dependence between $R = 0.2$ and $R = 0.4$.

$R = 0.4 / R = 0.2$



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$R = 0.6 / R = 0.2$



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$R = 0.6$ jets appear more suppressed than $R = 0.2$ jets, suggesting an R -dependence.

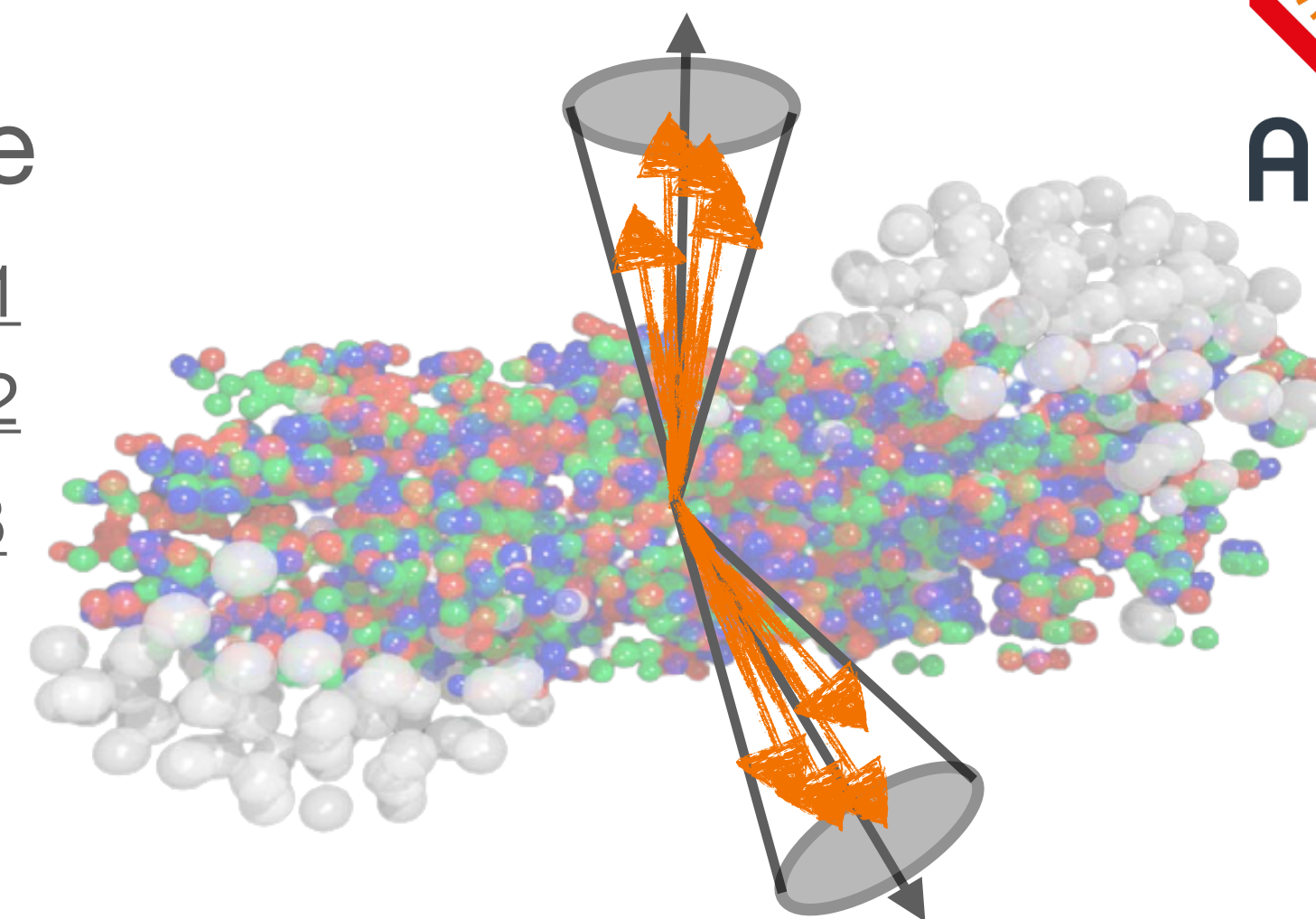
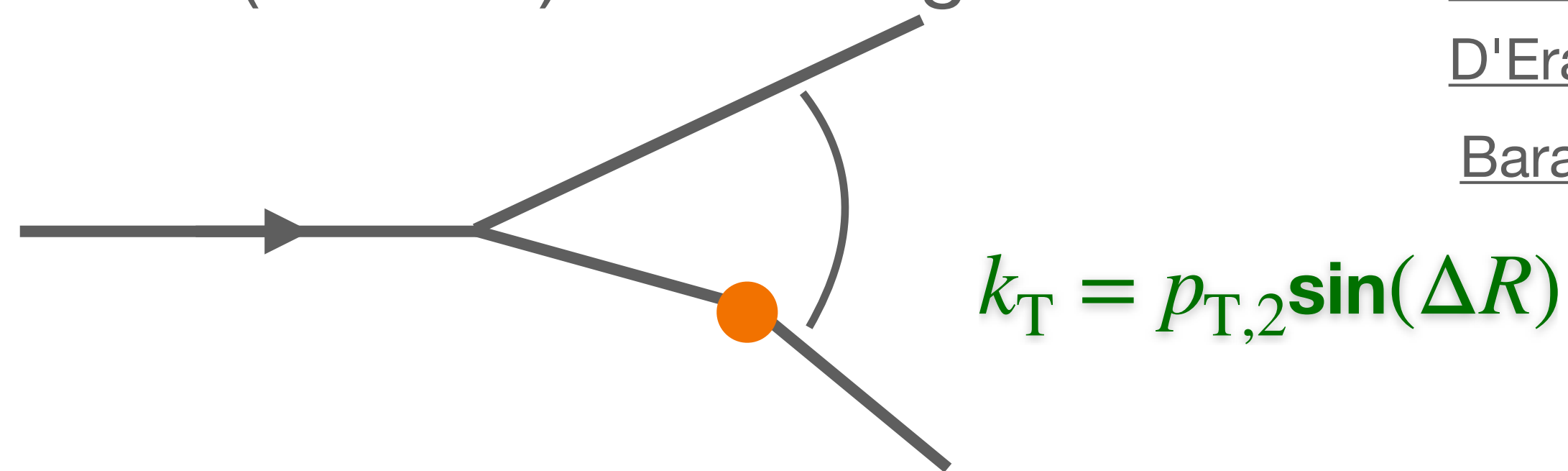
Hardest $k_{T,g}$ splittings

→ Use jet substructure techniques to search for point-like (Moliere) scattering

[D'Eramo et al. JHEP 05 \(2013\) 031](#)

[D'Eramo et al. JHEP 01 \(2019\) 172](#)

[Barata et al. JHEP 09 \(2021\) 153](#)



→ Experimentally appears as an excess of (large) k_T splittings in Pb–Pb collisions relative to pp collisions

→ Also sensitive to substructure modification as probed by z_g and R_g .

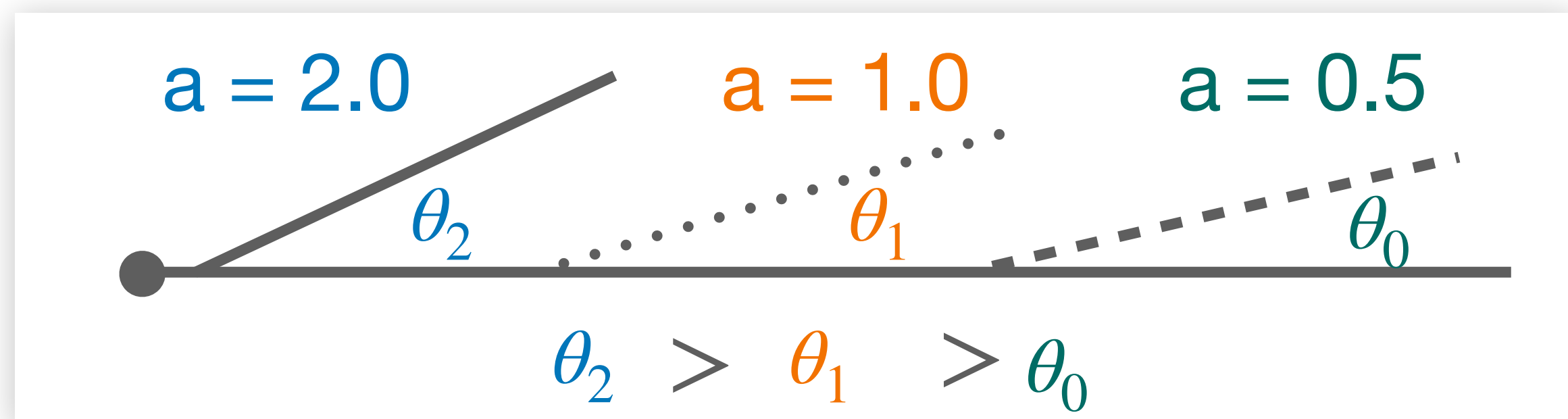
→ Use various grooming methods to identify the hardest k_T splitting within a jet

- Soft Drop with a z_{cut} of 0.2

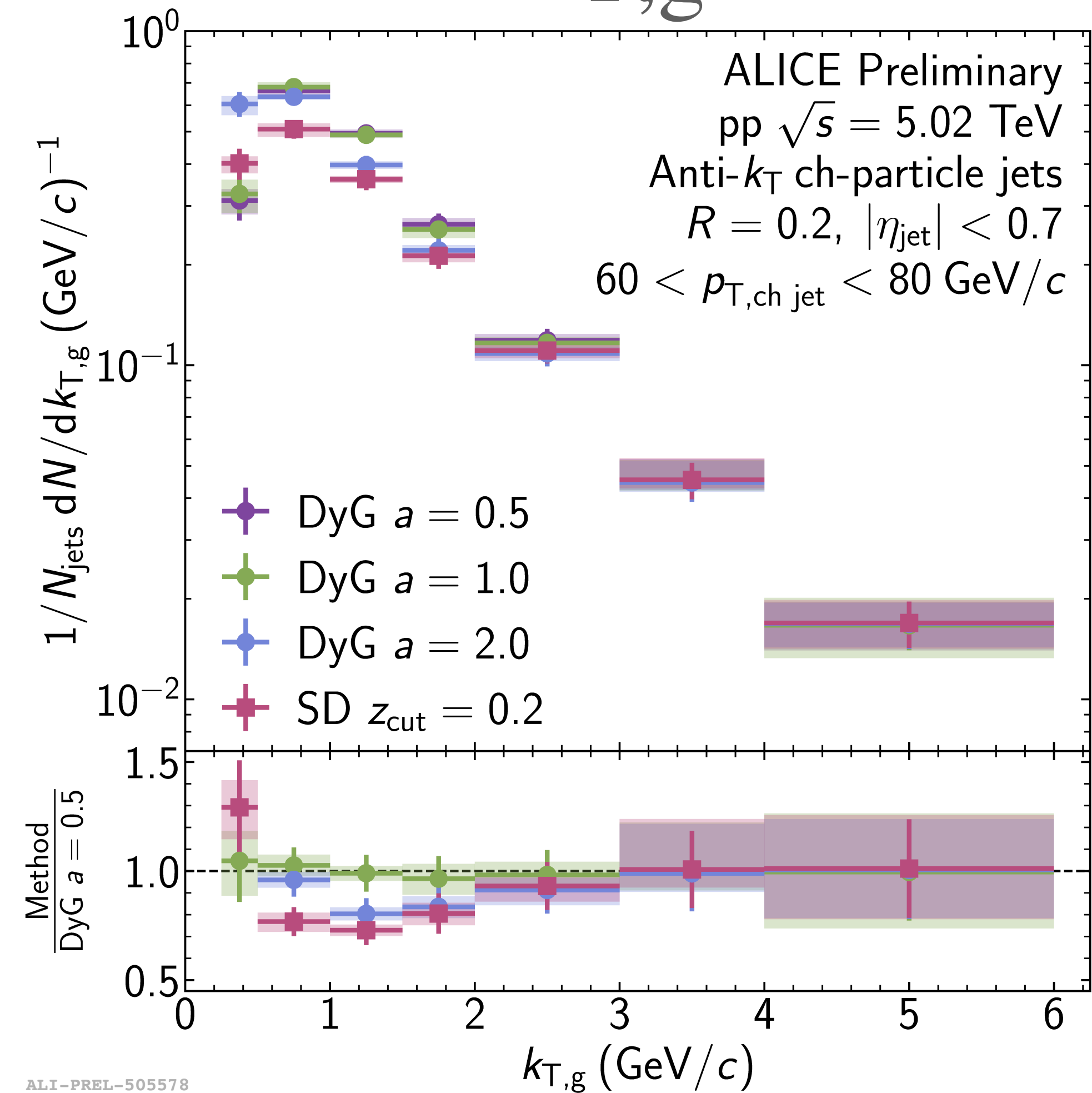
- Dynamical Grooming $a = 0.5$

- Dynamical Grooming $a = 1.0$
largest k_T

- Dynamical Grooming $a = 2.0$
shortest splitting time

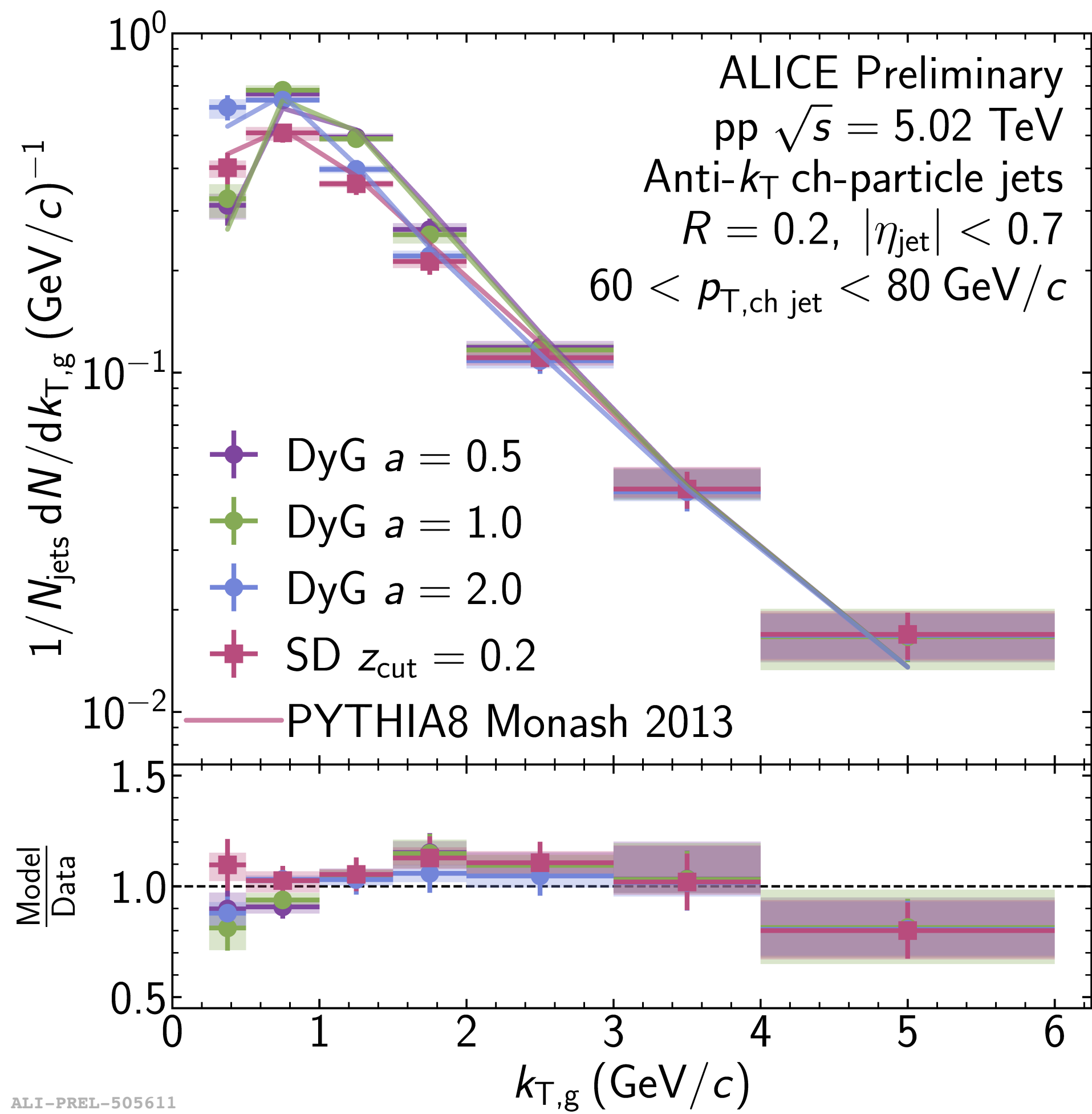
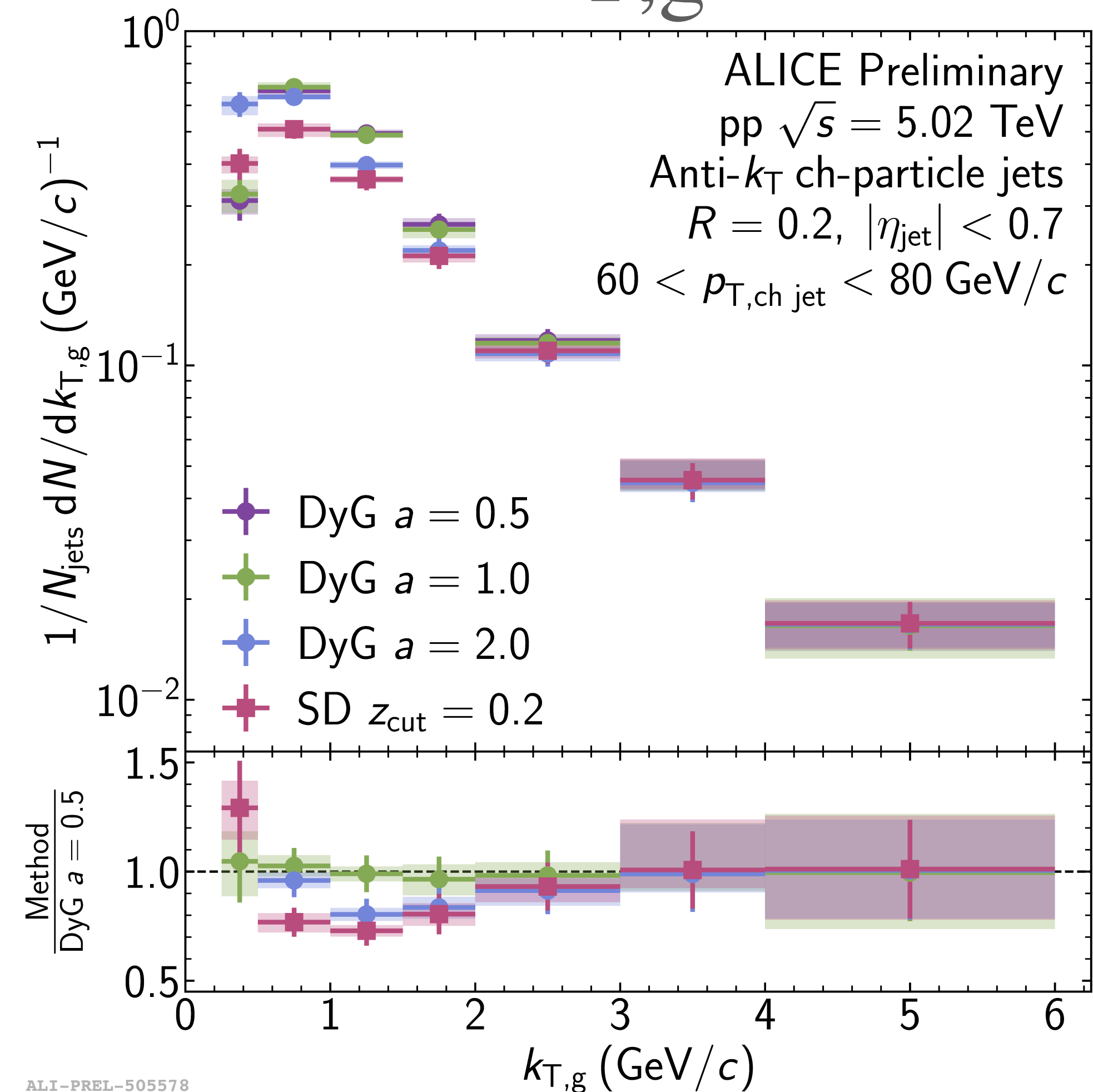


Hardest $k_{T,g}$ splittings in pp



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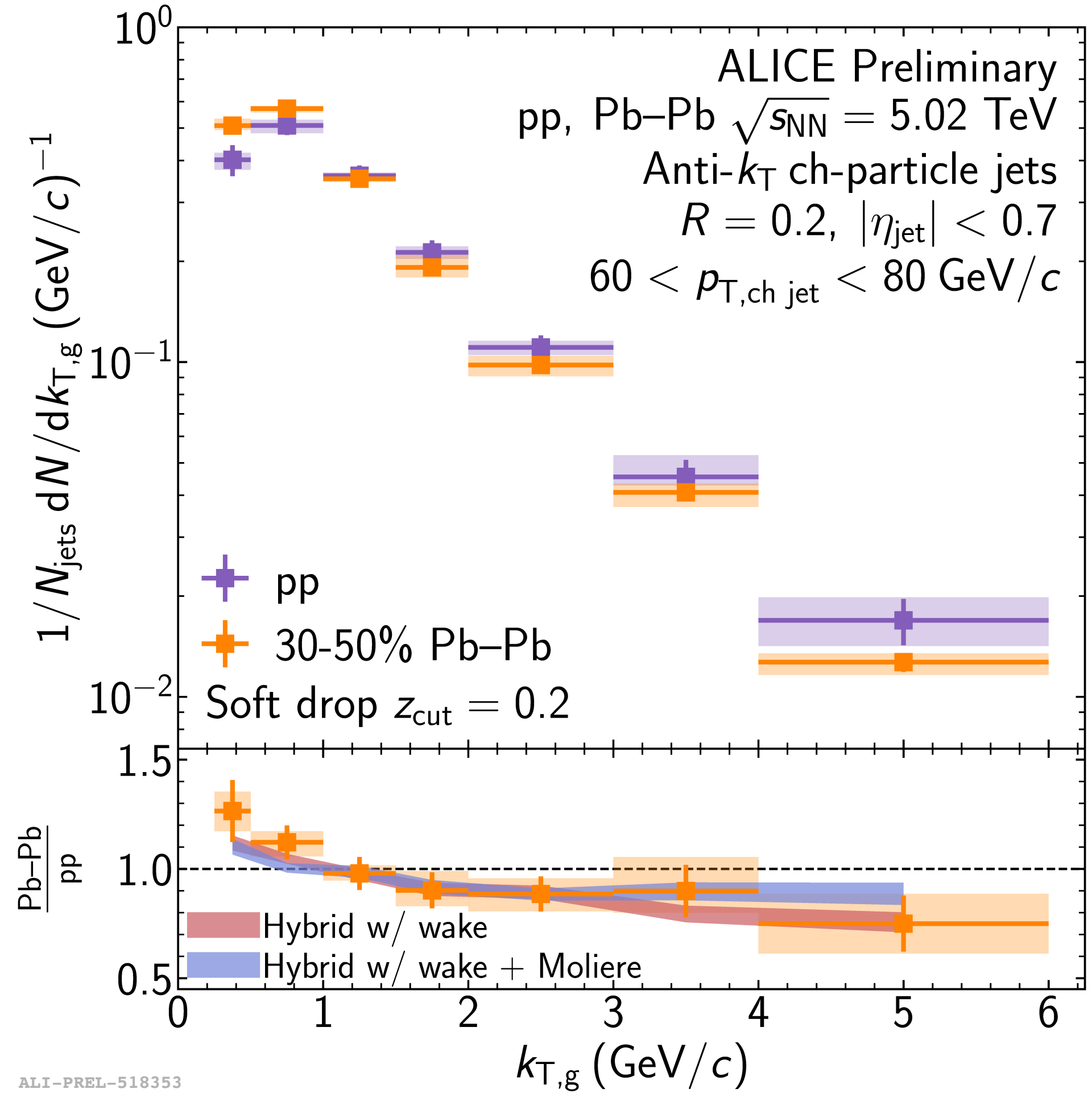
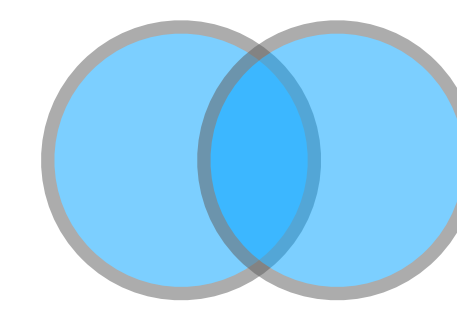


→ All grooming methods in pp generally agree with PYTHIA 8 within uncertainties

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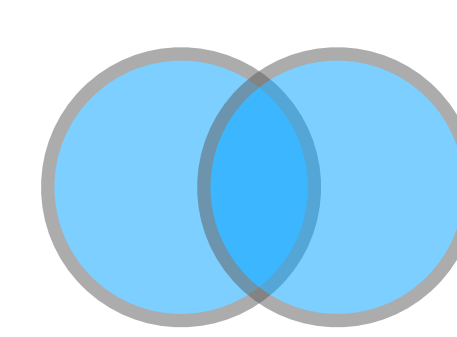
Hardest $k_{T,g}$ splittings in 30-50% Pb—Pb



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- ➔ Hint of modification at low $k_{T,g}$ for Soft Drop, consistent with models.

See talk by Zach Hulcher [JHEP 01 \(2019\) 172](#)

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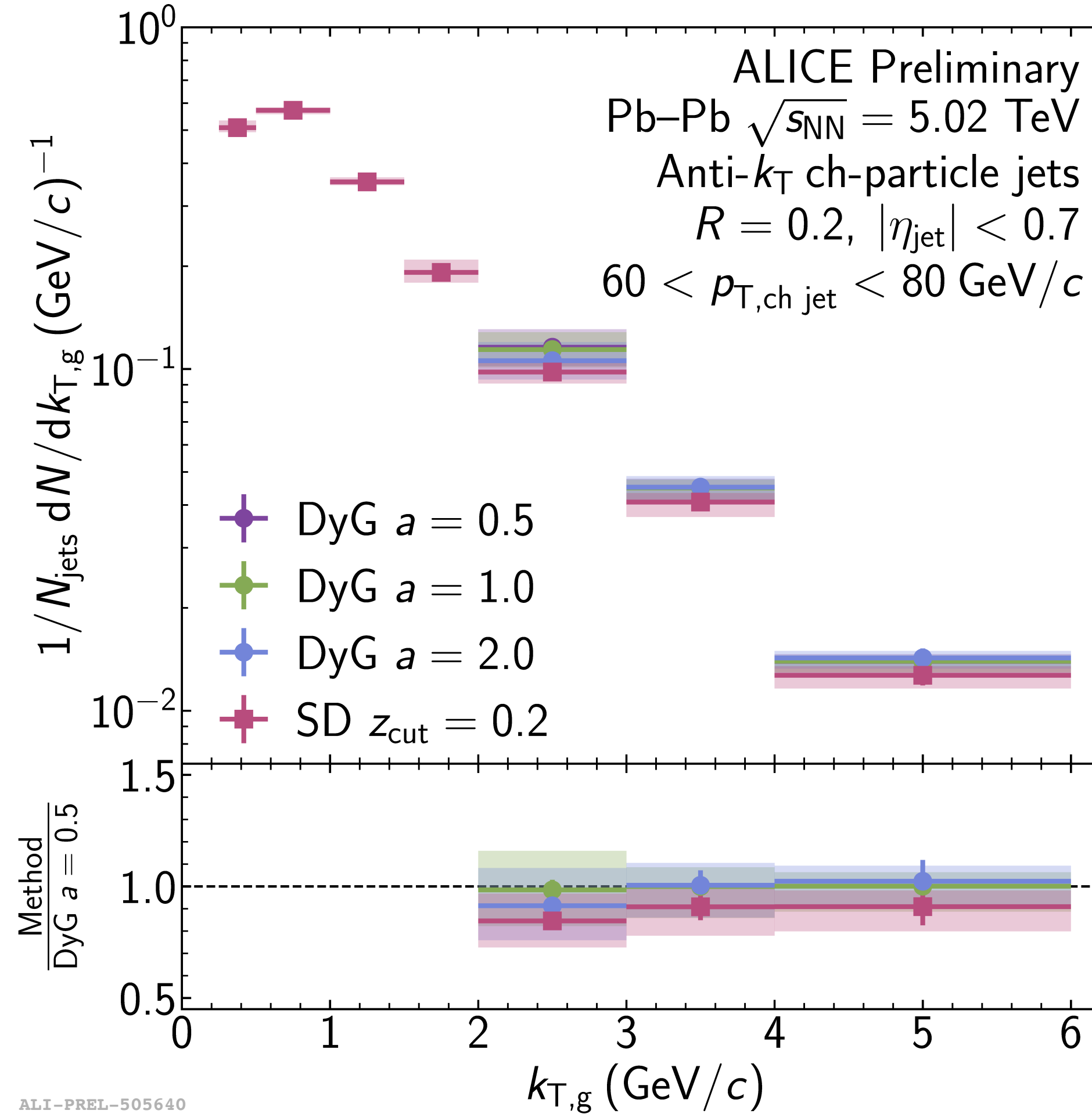
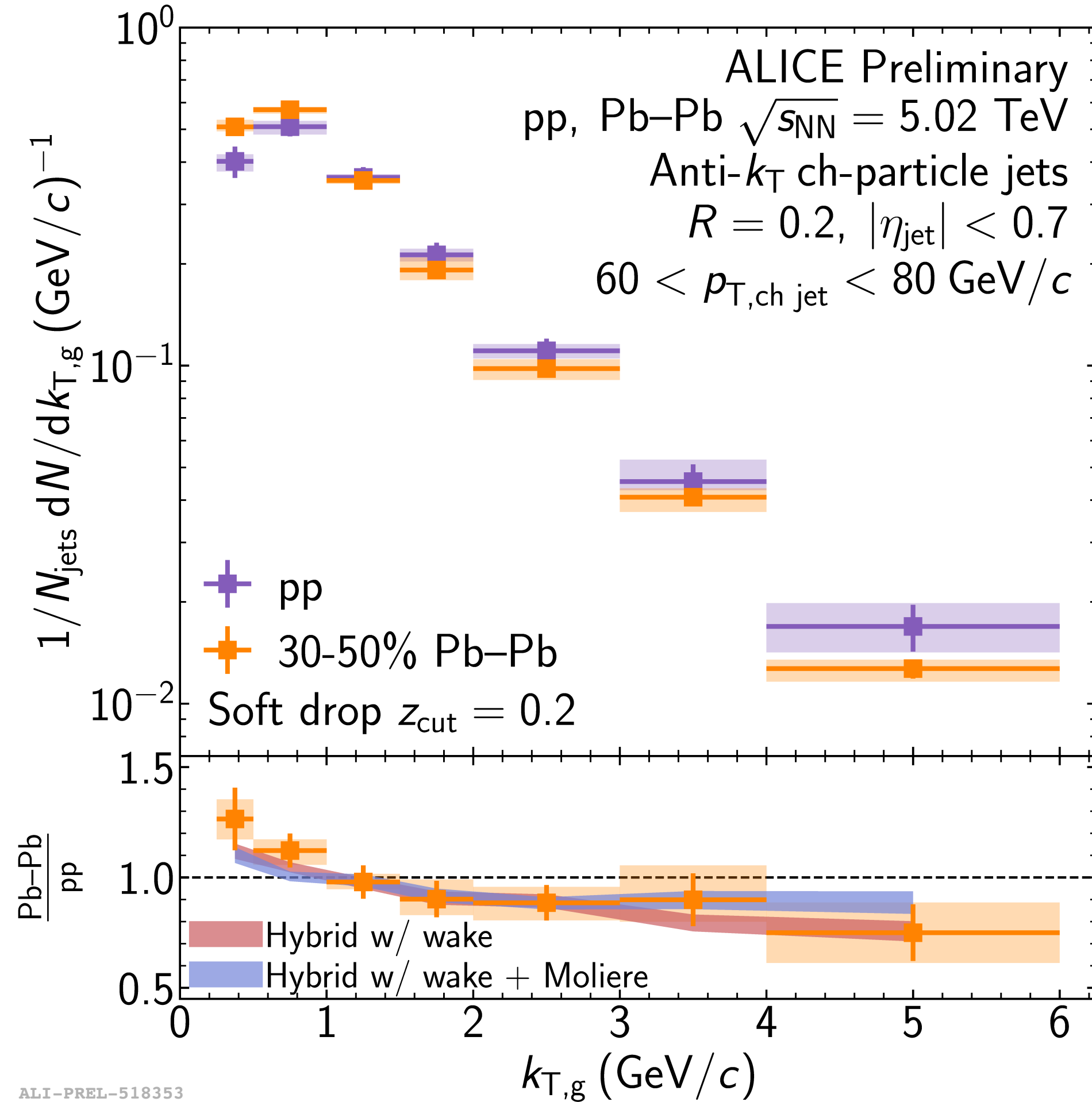


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Soft Drop and dynamical grooming consistent in Pb—Pb within uncertainties.



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➡ Hint of modification at low $k_{T,g}$ for Soft Drop, consistent with models.

























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Conclusions

- Hint of larger R jets being more suppressed via the R_{AA} .
- Suppression of wide-angle splittings via R_g .
- Hint of the modification of the $k_{T,g}$ distribution for Soft Drop groomed splittings.
- Consistent with narrowing of jet distribution at a fixed p_T .

See talks by James Mulligan and Rey Cruz-Torres (next!) for other hints of narrowing.

ALICE Jet Results at QM

	Longitudinal: energy loss, path length dependence	Transverse: wide vs. narrow, quark/ gluon, intrajet broadening	Jet Deflection	Mass/Flavor Dependence	Jet Grooming	Non-Perturbative Effects	Small Systems
Isolated photon-jet correlations: Alwina Liu Tues. 16:30	 ALICE		 ALICE				
Path length dependence in Pb--Pb and p--Pb collisions: Caitie Beattie Wed. 8:40	 ALICE						 ALICE
Jet angularity and fragmentation in Pb-Pb: James Mulligan Wed. 10:00	 ALICE	 ALICE			 ALICE	 ALICE	
Search for jet quenching in high-multiplicity pp collisions: Filip Krizek Wed. 12:50			 ALICE				 ALICE
Heavy-flavor jets from small to large systems: Marianna Mazzilli Wed. 14:40	 ALICE	 ALICE		 ALICE		 ALICE	 ALICE
R-dependence of jet suppression and groomed jet splittings in Pb--Pb: Hannah Bossi Thurs. 18:10	 ALICE	 ALICE	 ALICE		 ALICE		
Jet acoplanarity and energy flow within jets in Pb--Pb and pp: Rey Cruz-Torres Thurs. 18:30	 ALICE	 ALICE	 ALICE		 ALICE	 ALICE	

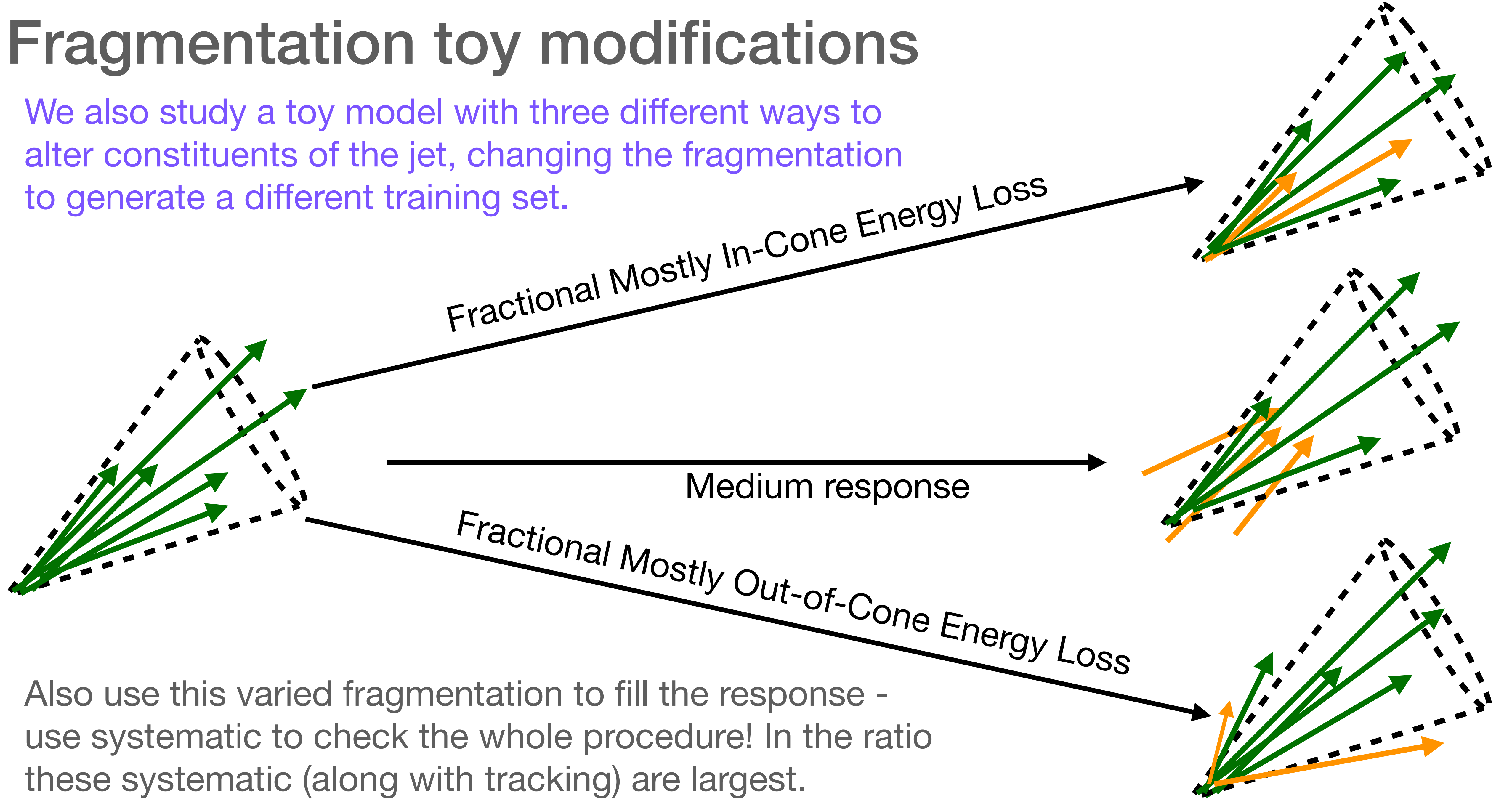
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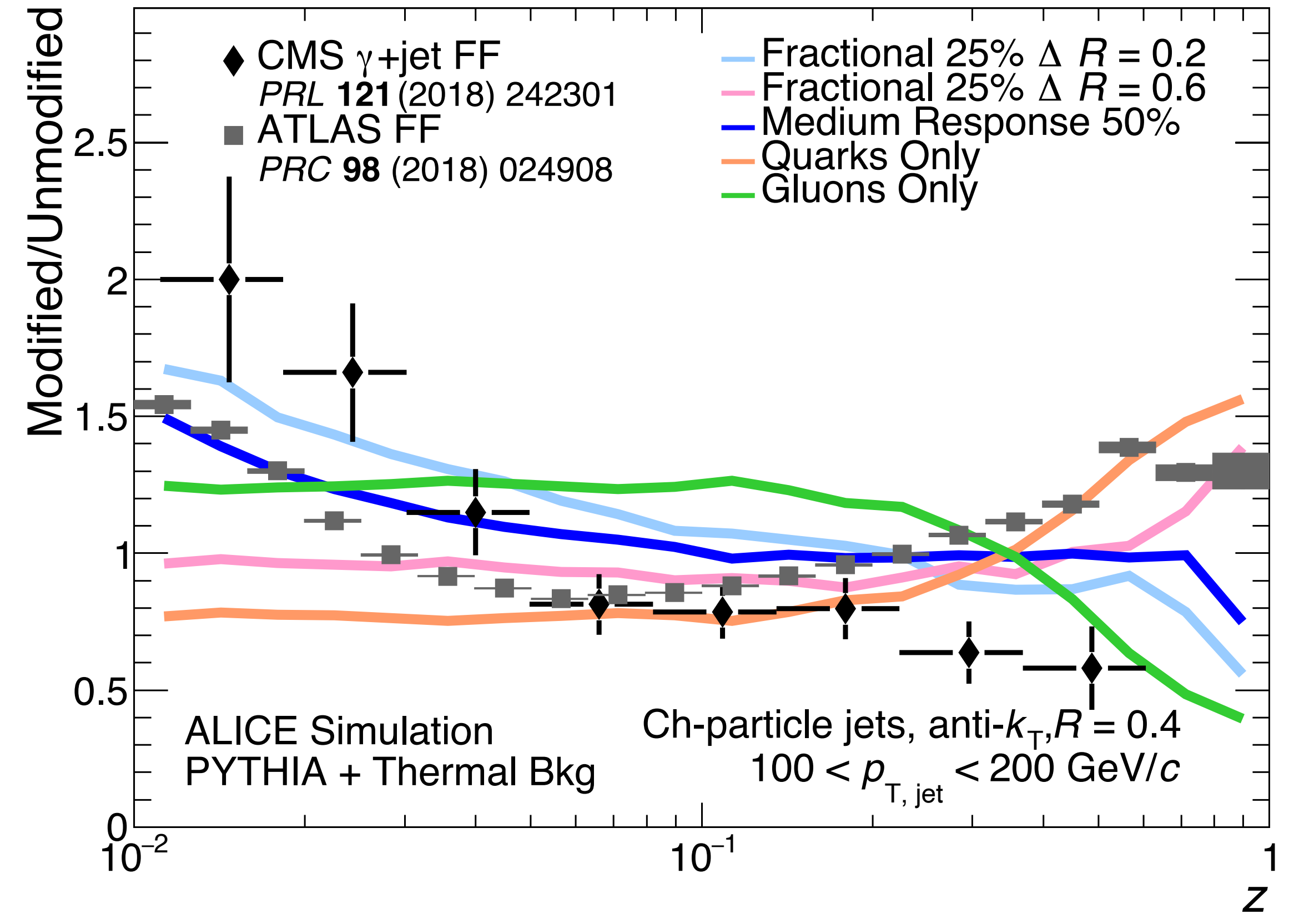
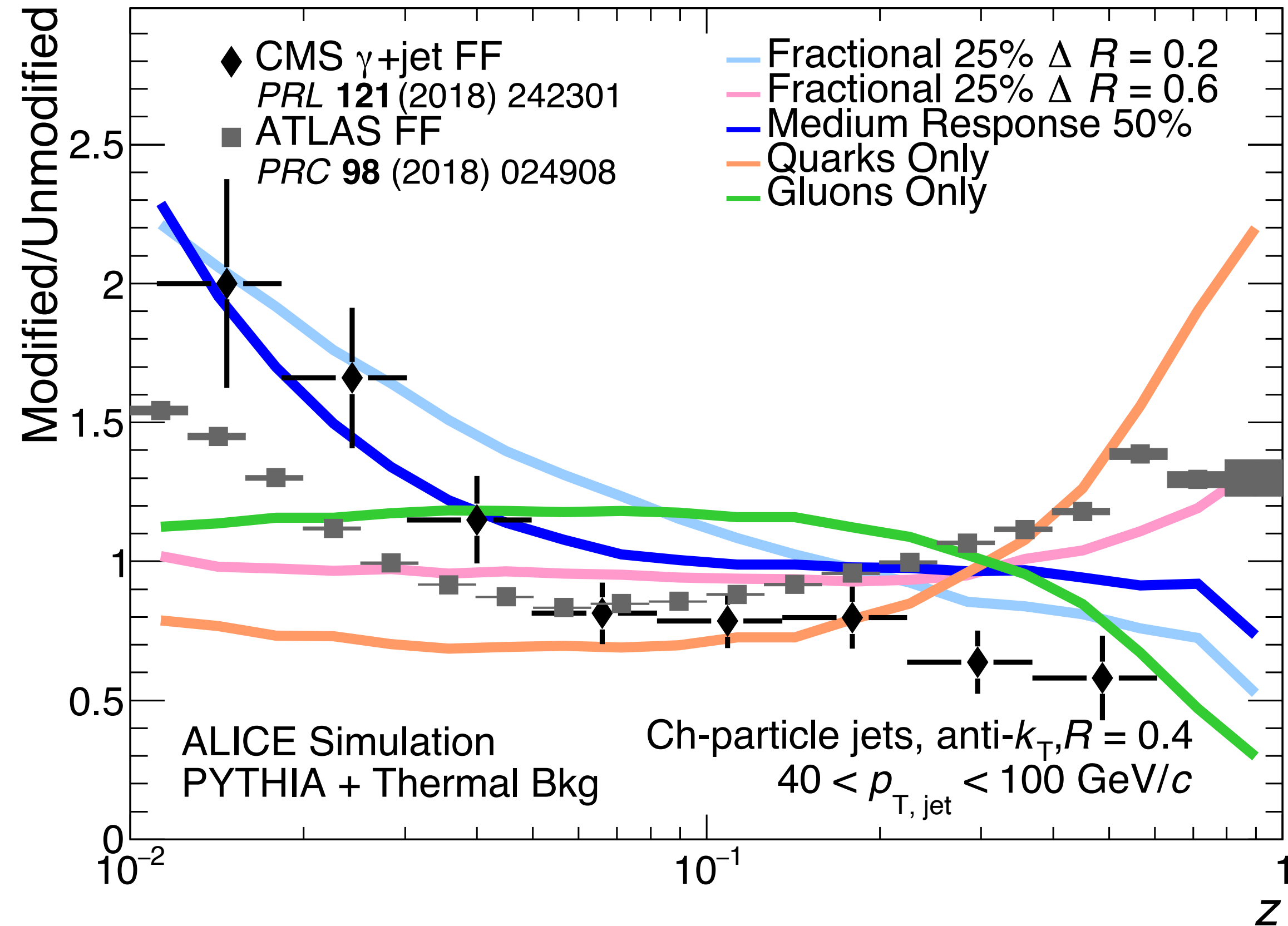
Fragmentation toy modifications

We also study a toy model with three different ways to alter constituents of the jet, changing the fragmentation to generate a different training set.



Also use this varied fragmentation to fill the response - use systematic to check the whole procedure! In the ratio these systematic (along with tracking) are largest.

Fragmentation toy modifications



➔ Our fragmentation variations qualitatively cover the data in different regions of phase space.

➔ Toy model parameters motivated by experimental data: [JHEP 05 \(2018\) 006](#)

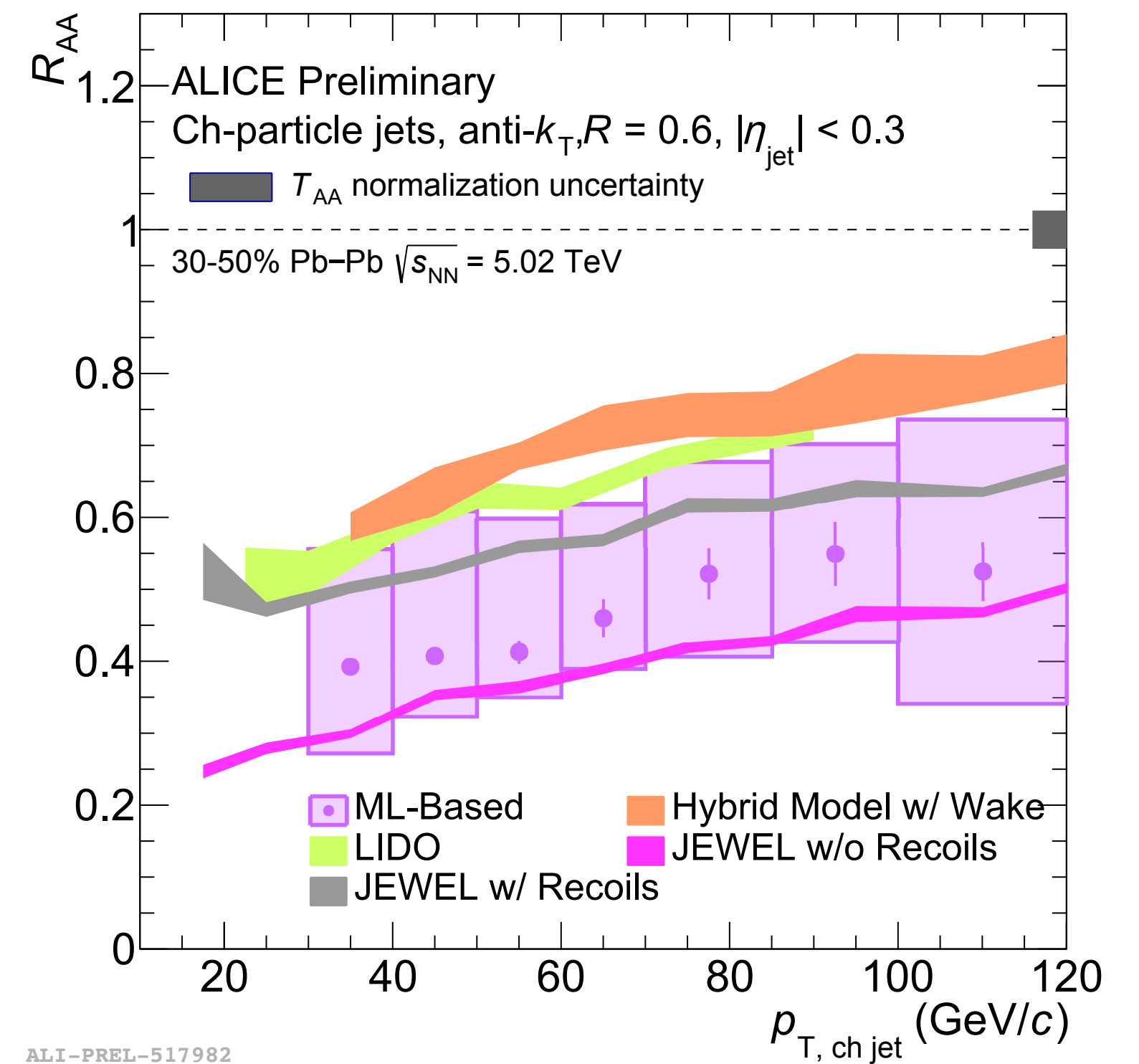
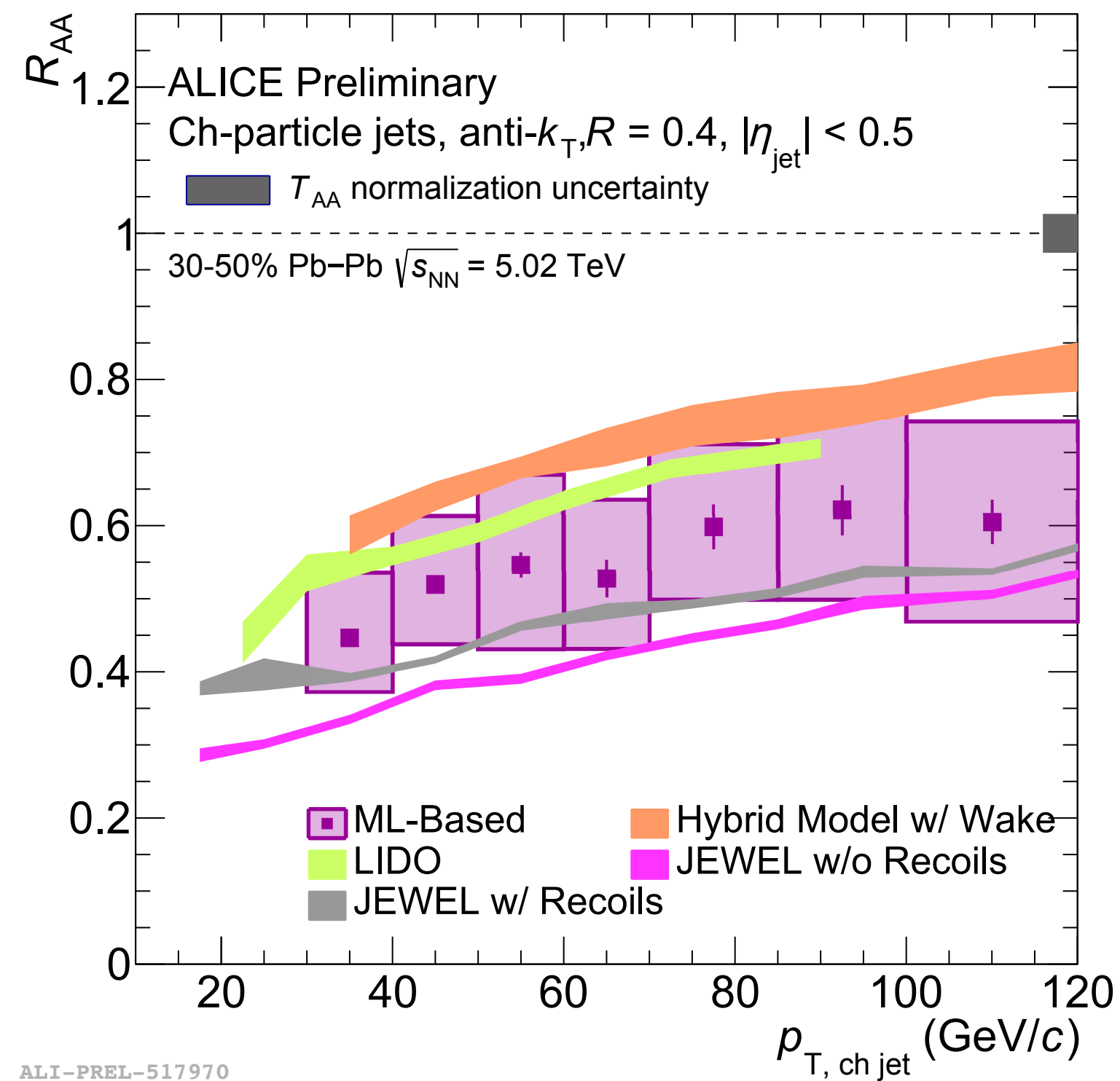
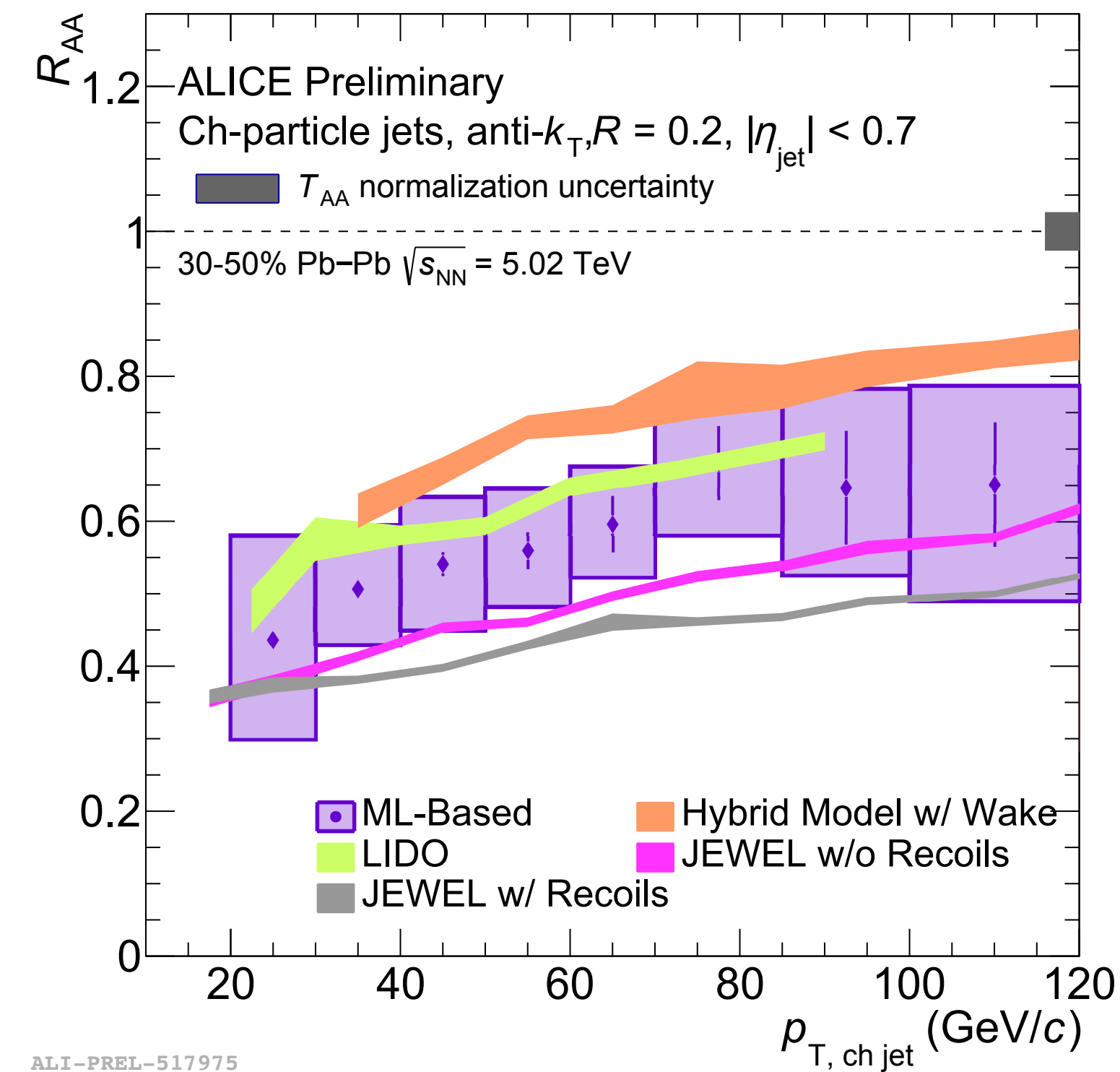
Nuclear modification factors (30-50%)



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$R = 0.4$

$R = 0.6$

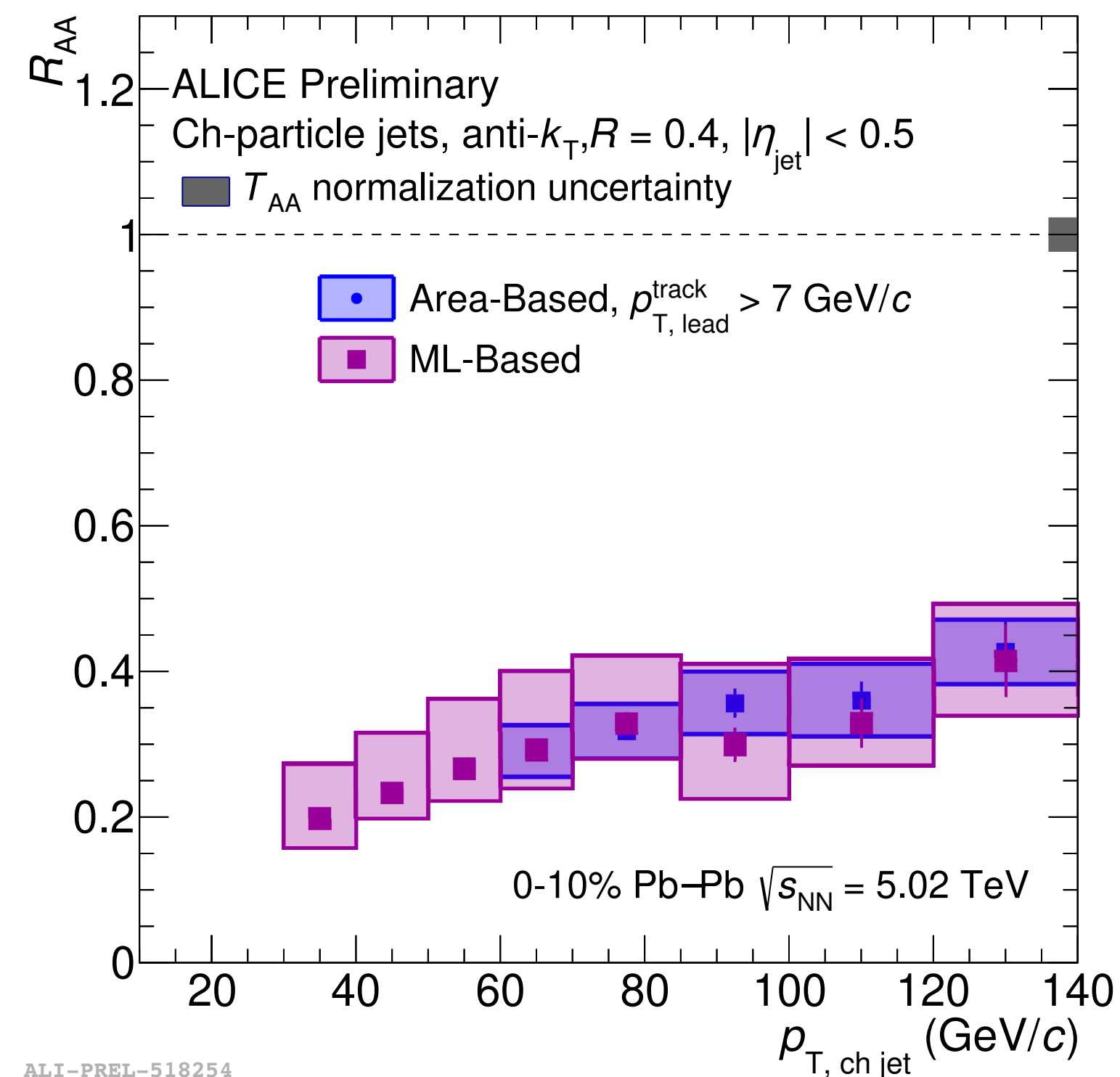
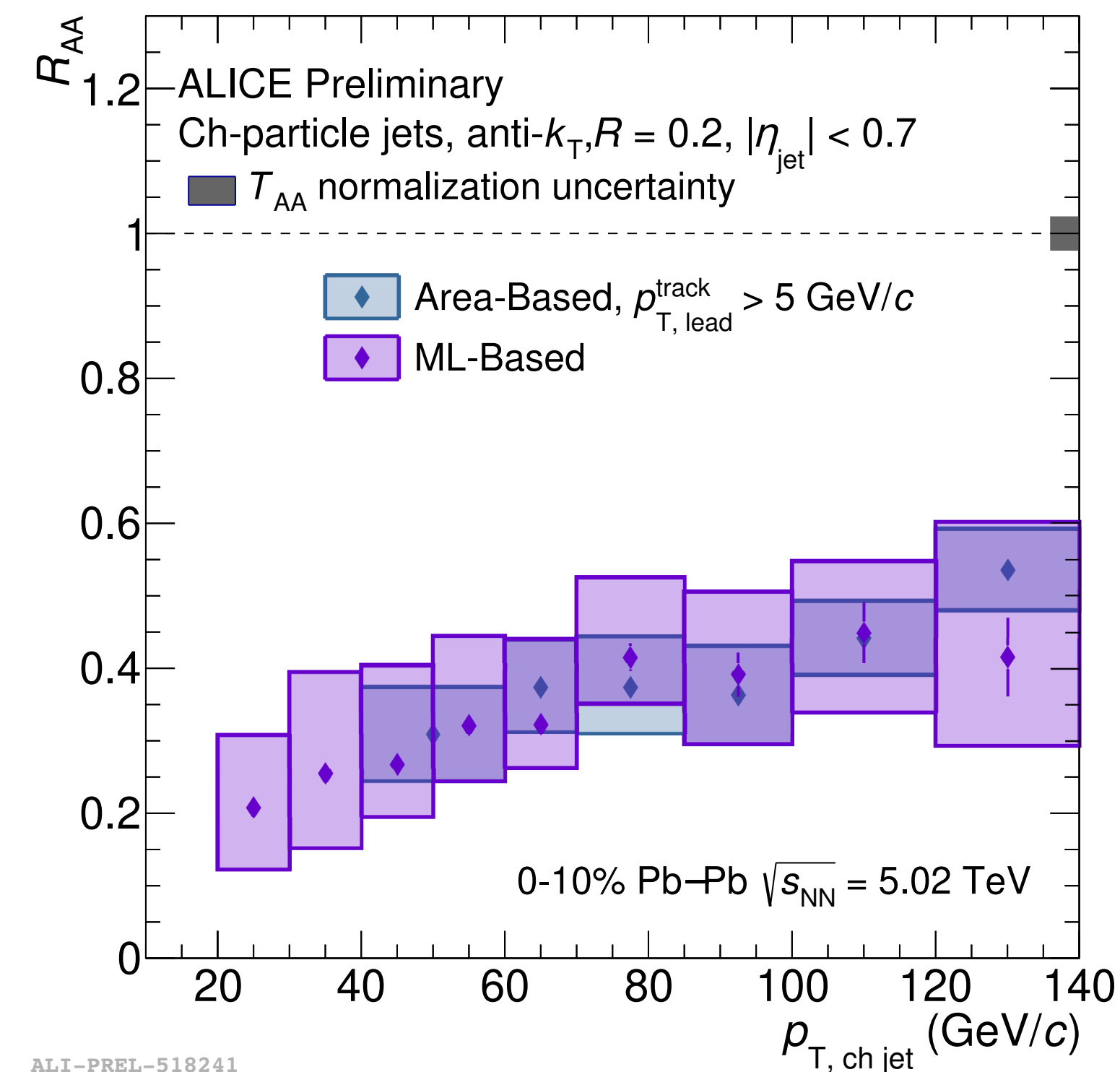


Area-based comparisons (0-10%)



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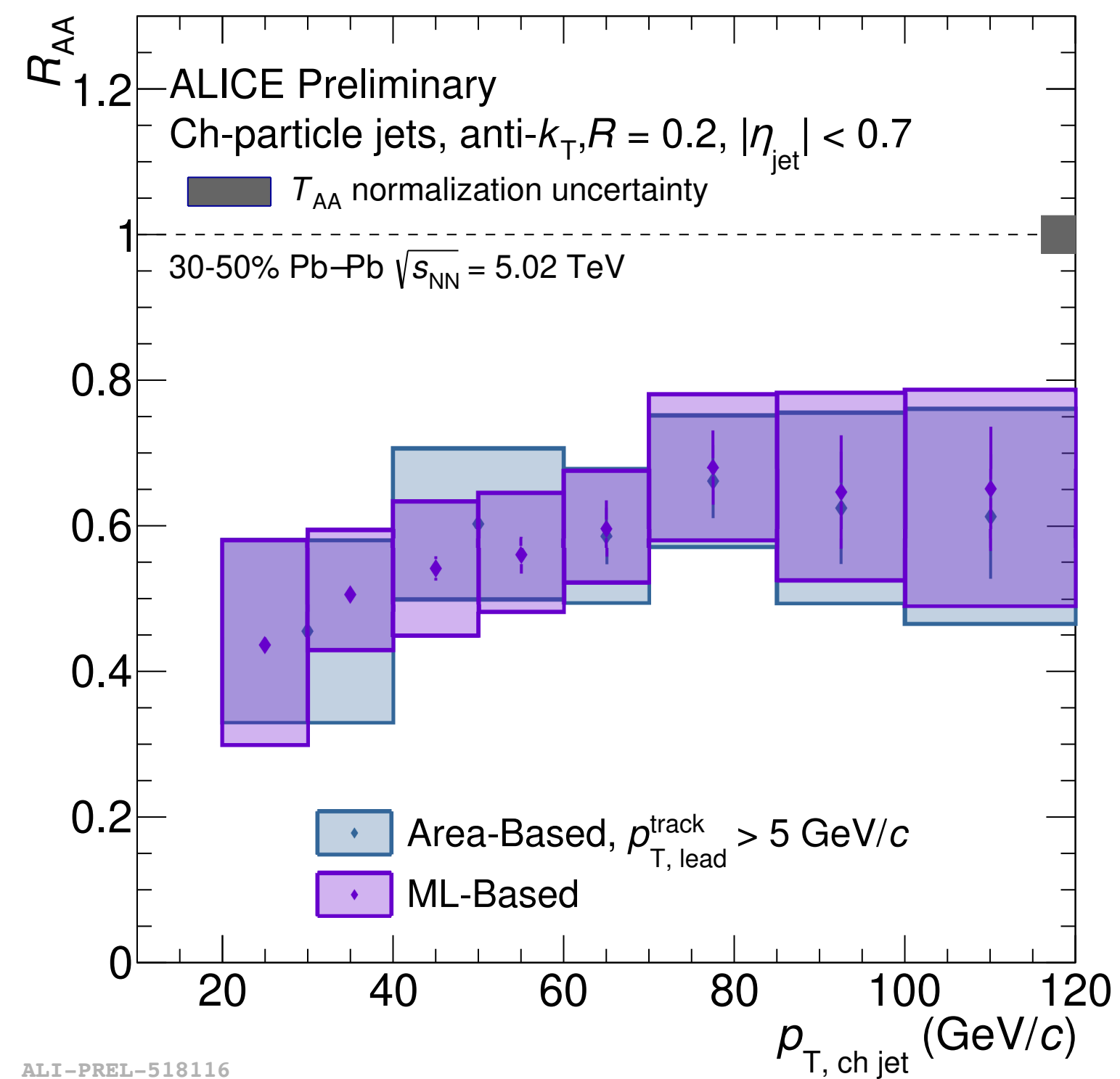


No area-based comparison for $R = 0.6$ (not possible in this region of phase space).

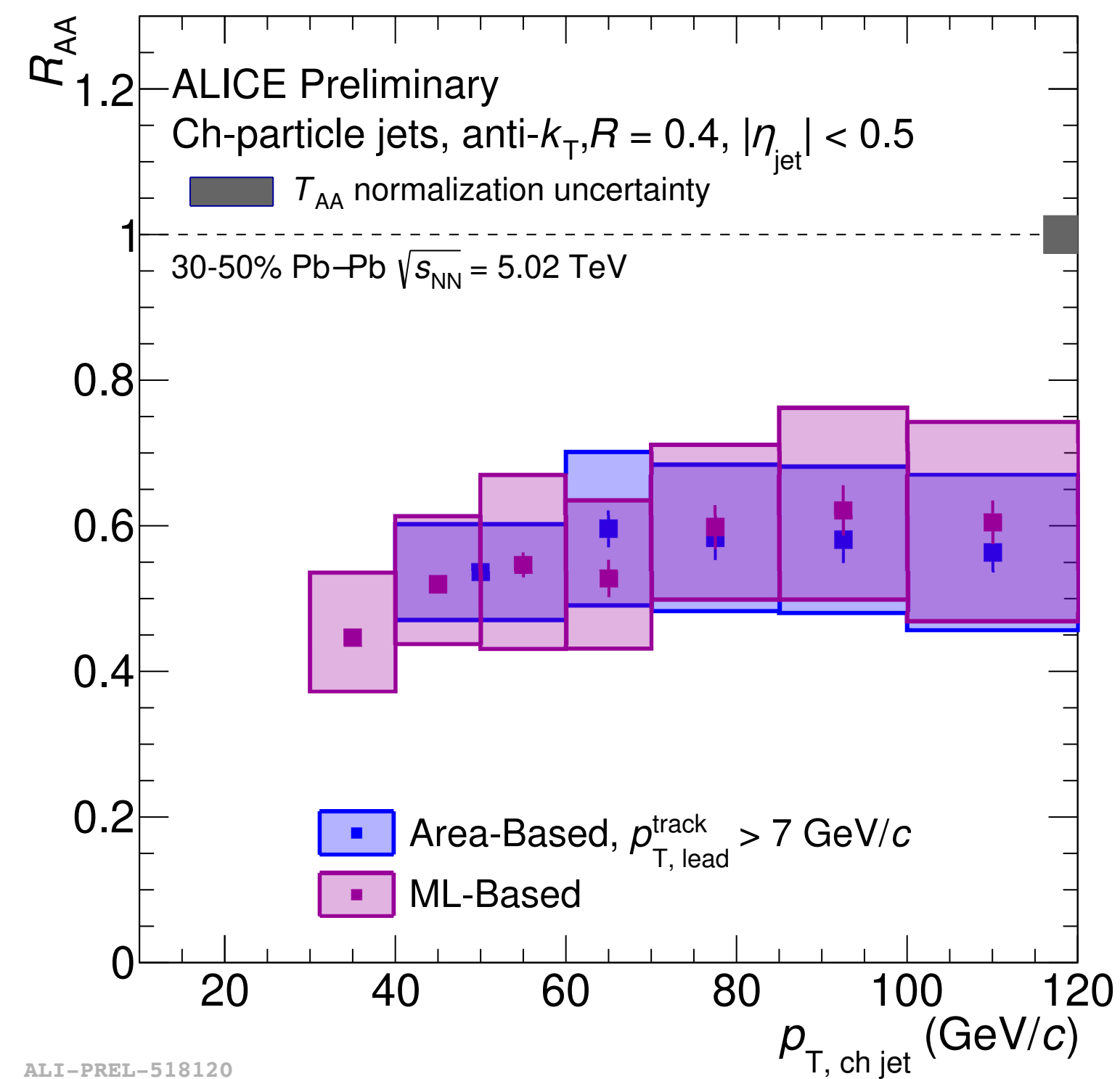
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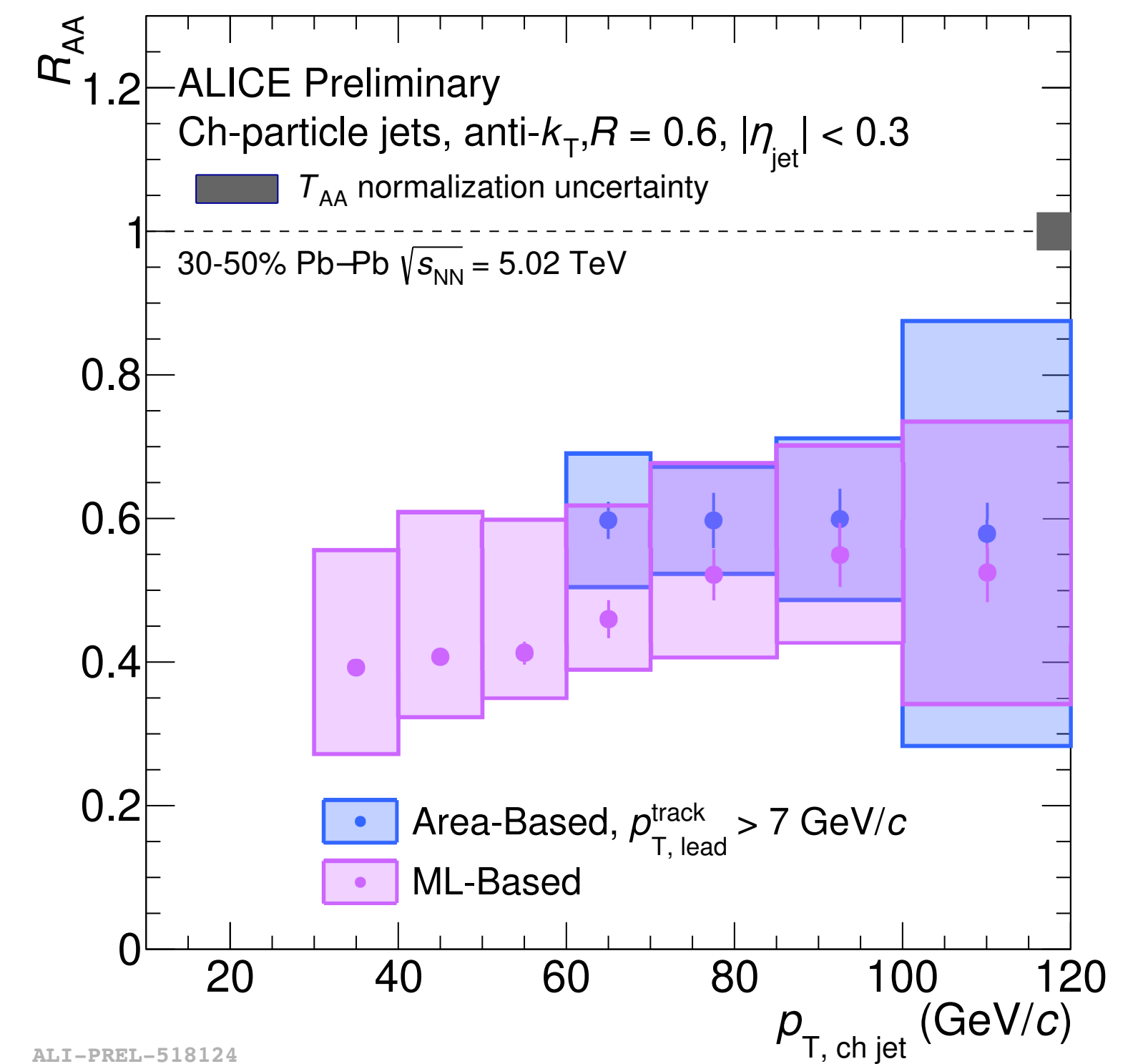
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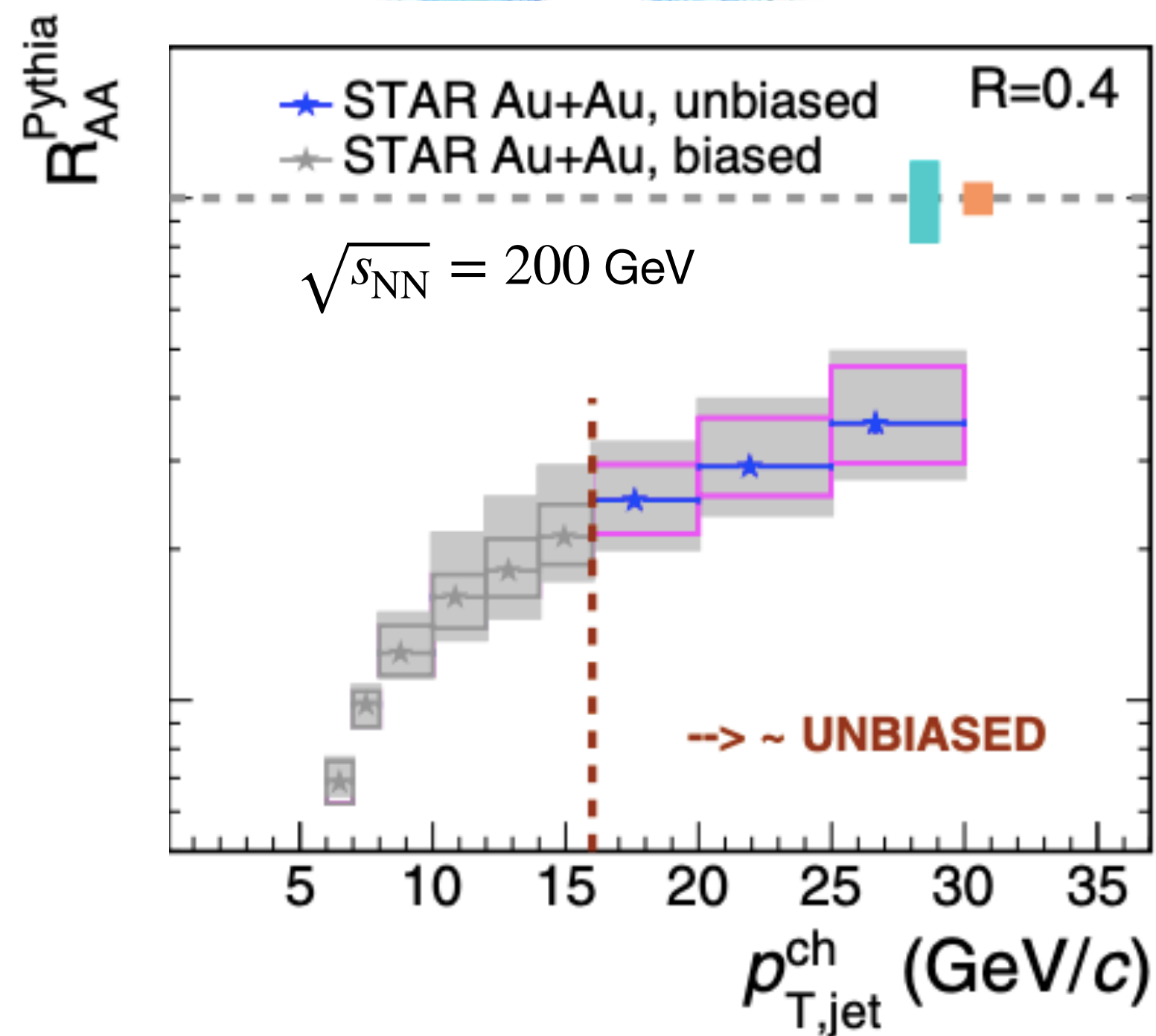
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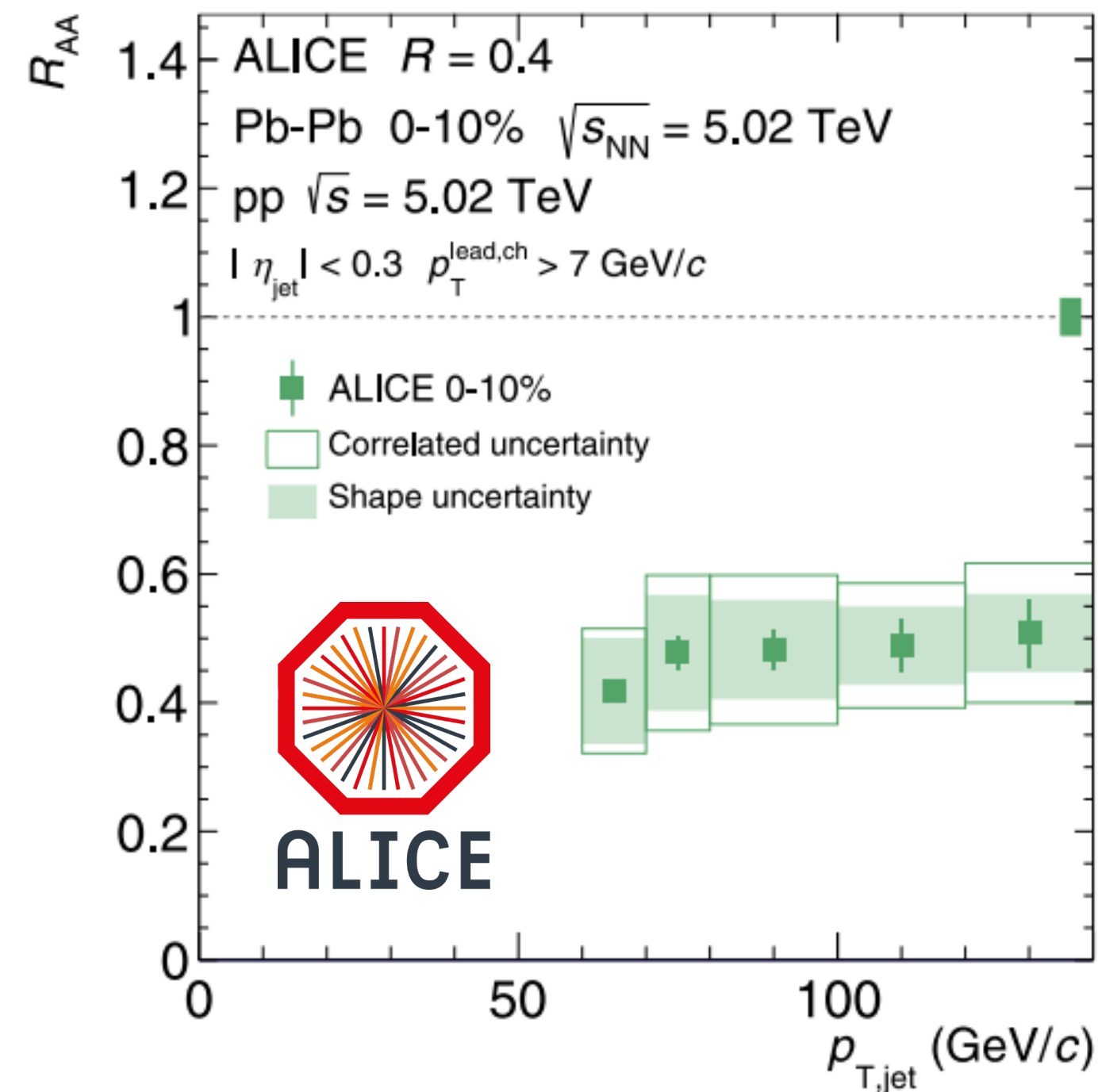
Experimental Measurements of the R_{AA}

Clear evidence of suppression at many different p_T scales!

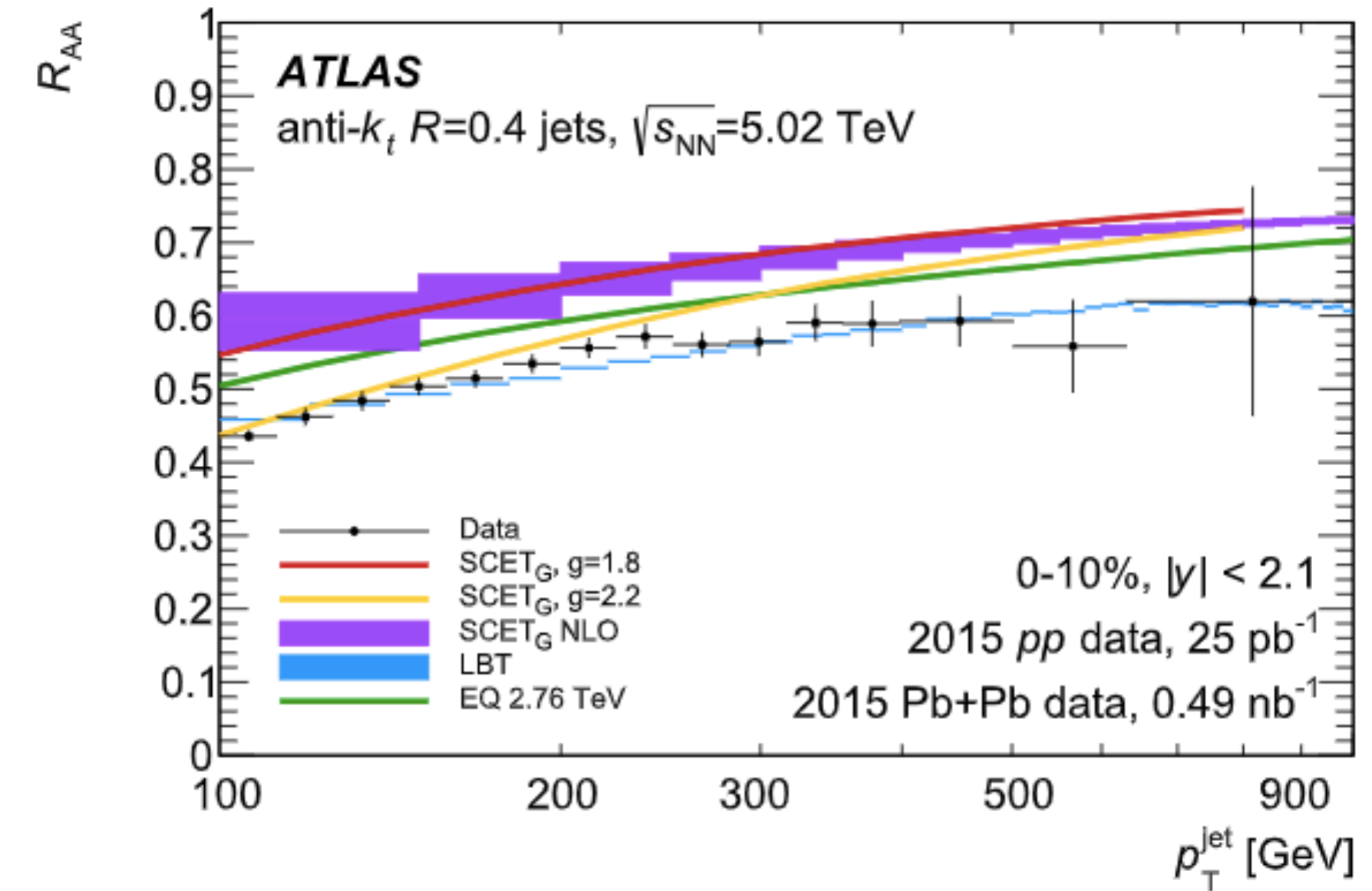
→ Extending ALICE measurements to lower p_T can bridge the gap!



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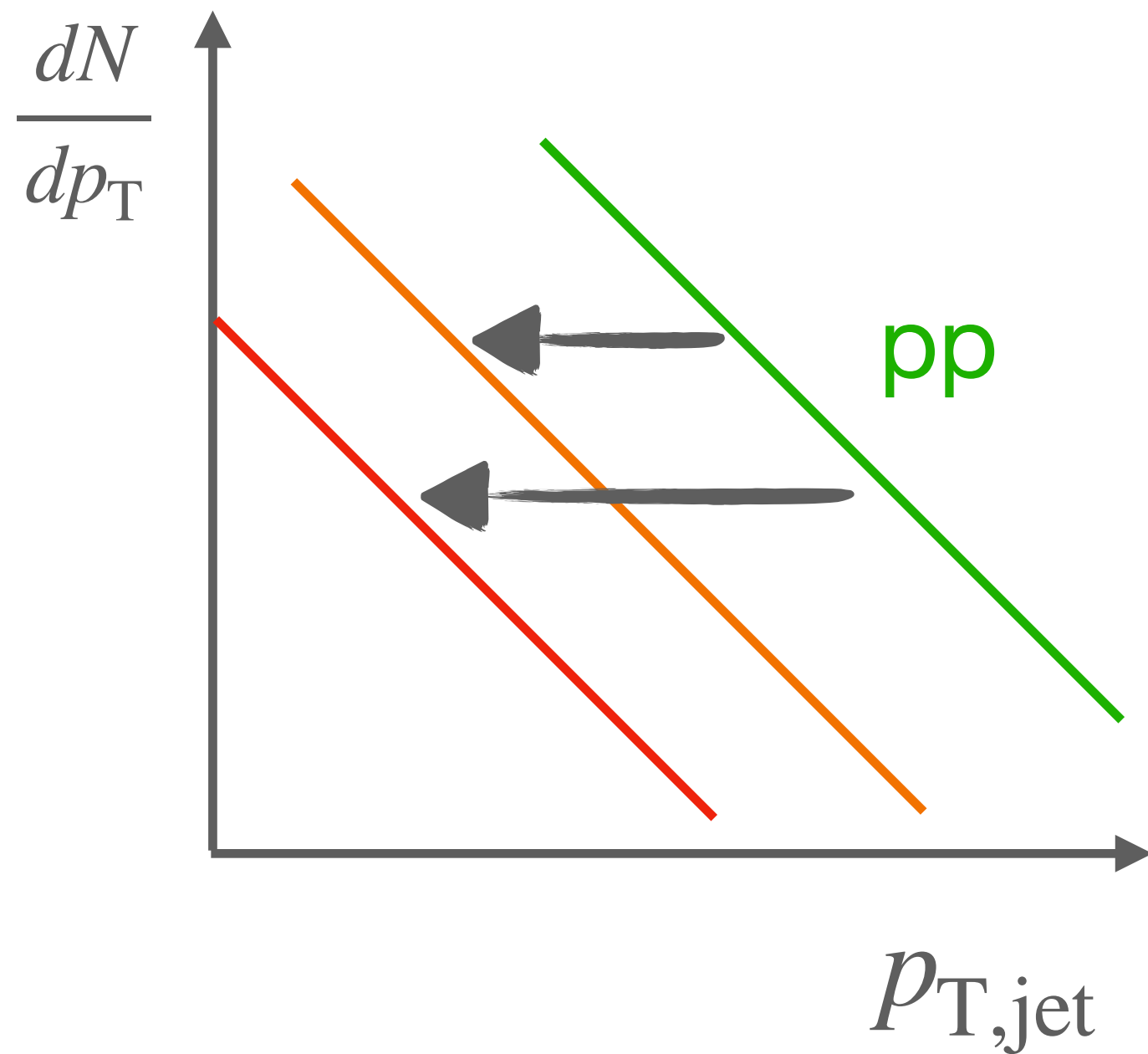
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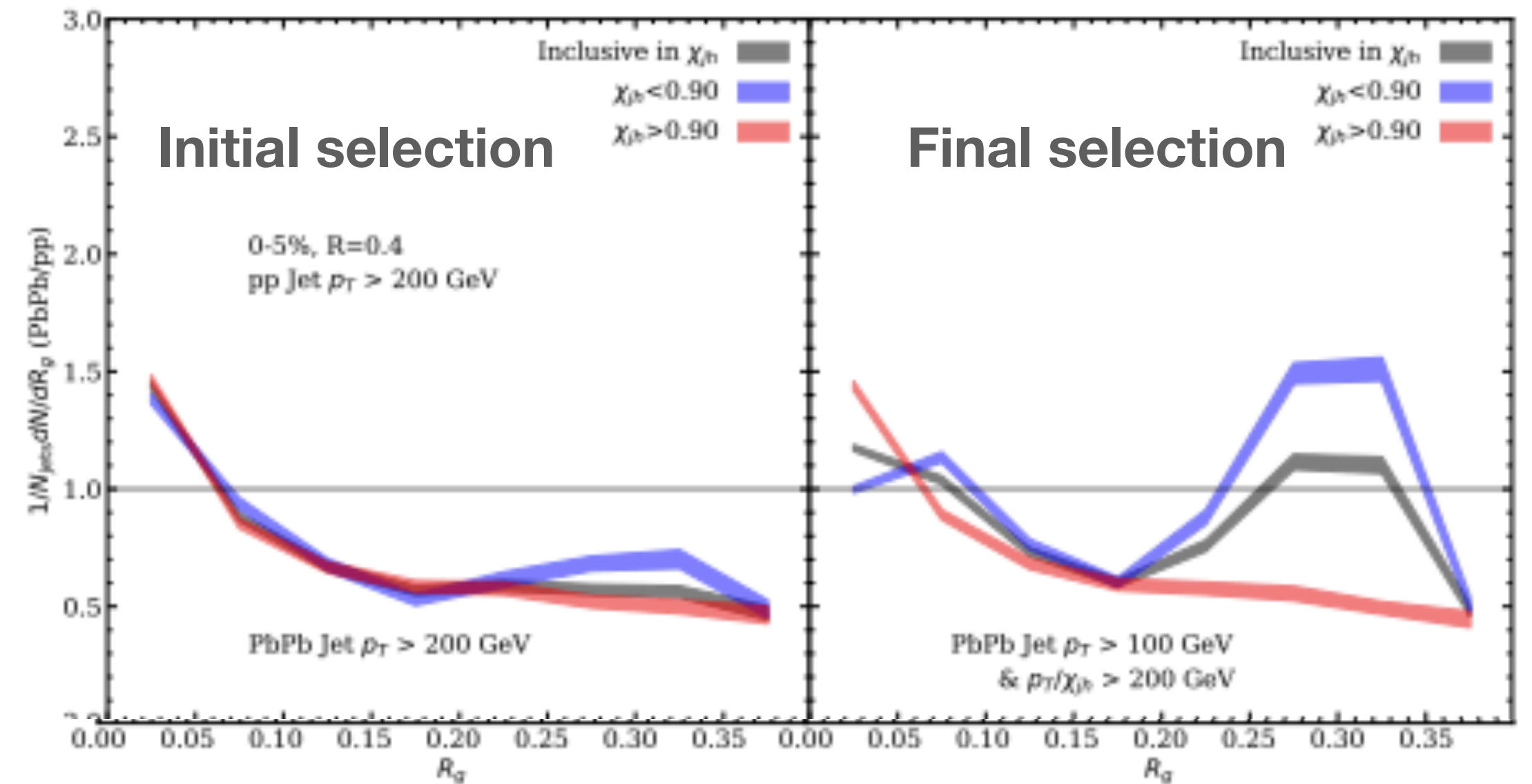
Selection bias

Brewer et. al: Phys. Rev. Lett.122.222301



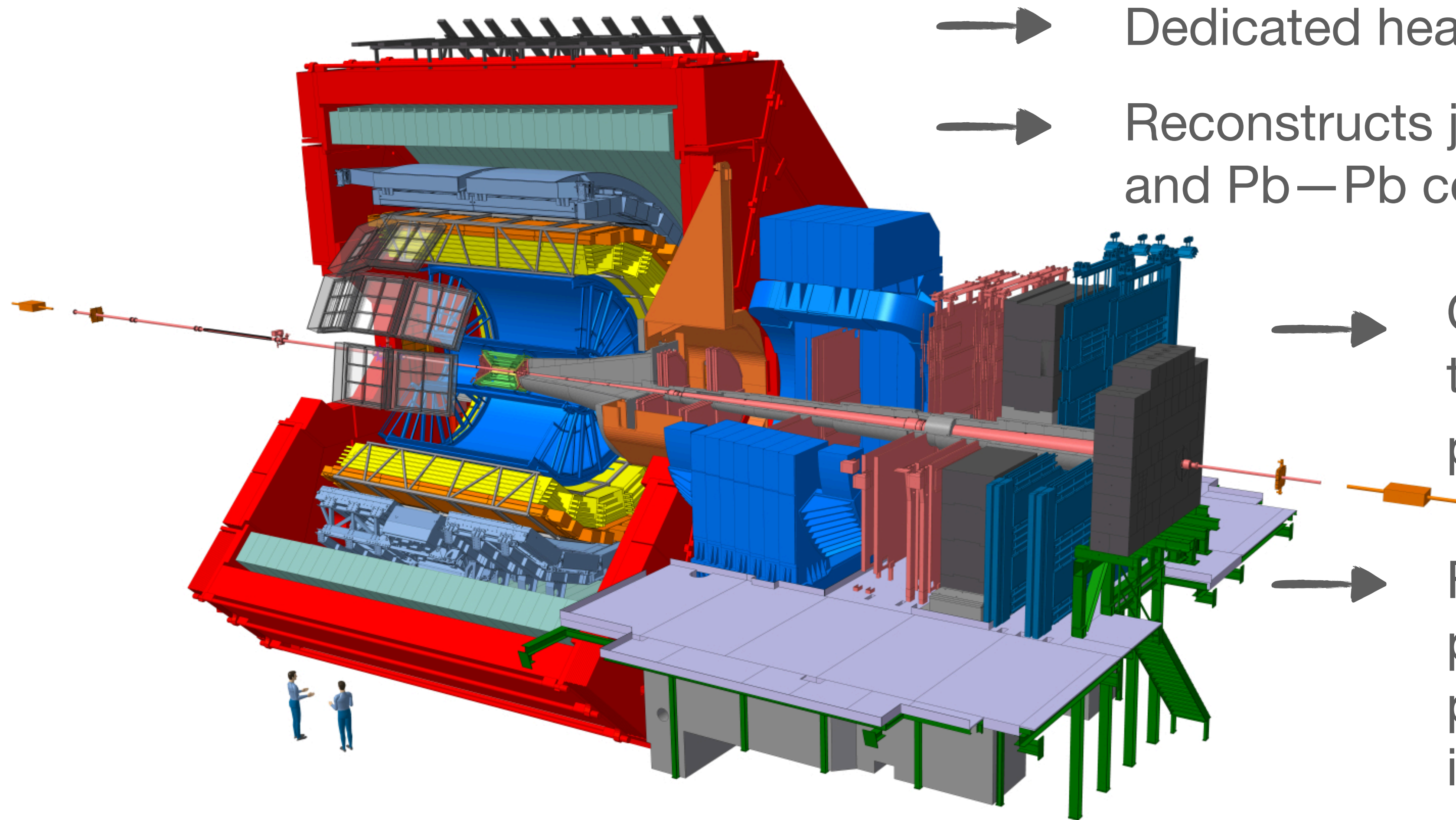
→ If some populations lose more energy than others, we will see a suppression purely from the selection bias by measuring modified jets at a fixed p_T .

→ Changing selection removes narrowing for more quenched jets.



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The ALICE Detector



- Dedicated heavy-ion experiment at the LHC.
- Reconstructs jets at mid-rapidity in pp, p-Pb and Pb—Pb collisions.

→ Can utilize high precision tracker to measure charged-particle jets up to high p_T .

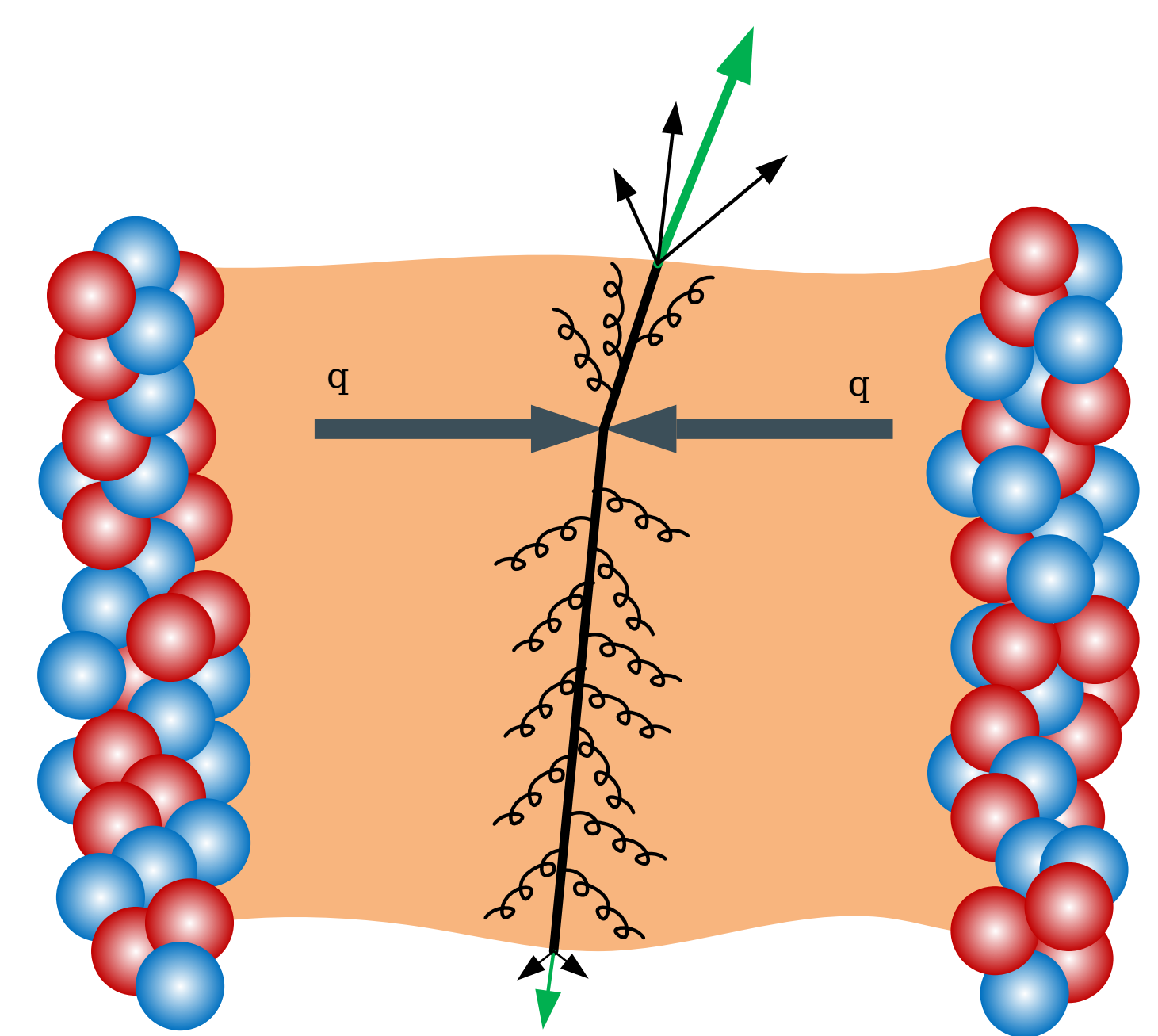
→ Full jets combine charged particle information with neutral particle information measured in the **electromagnetic calorimeter**.

ALICE is great for jet measurements, especially measurements of jet substructure!

ML background estimator

Use machine learning (ML) to correct the jet for the large uncorrelated background in heavy-ion collisions!

Conventional approach: Apply a minimum p_T requirement on the leading track of the jet, correct the jet for the background with a pedestal subtraction.



ML approach: Use ML to construct the mapping between measured and corrected jet without a leading track bias.

