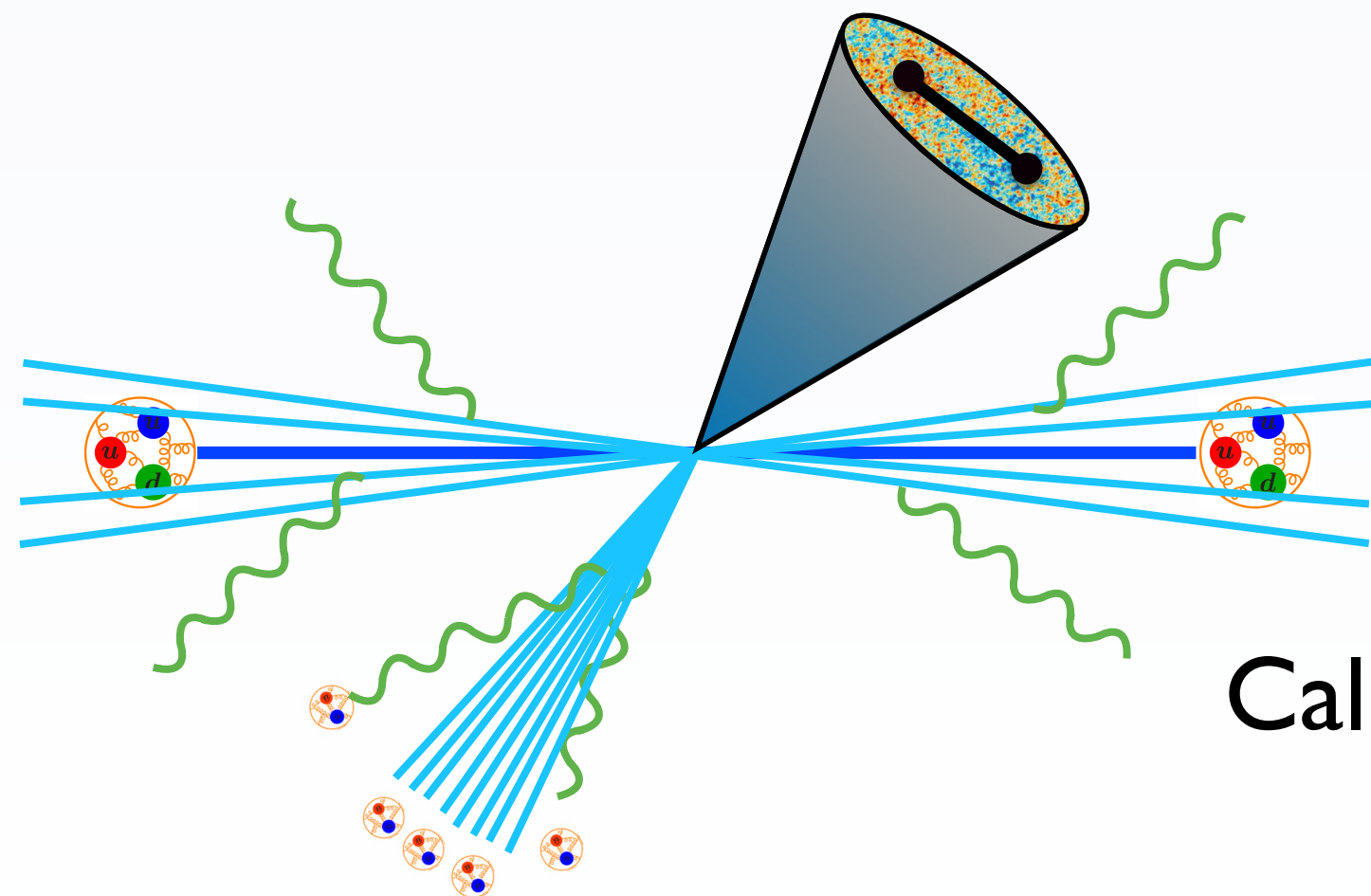


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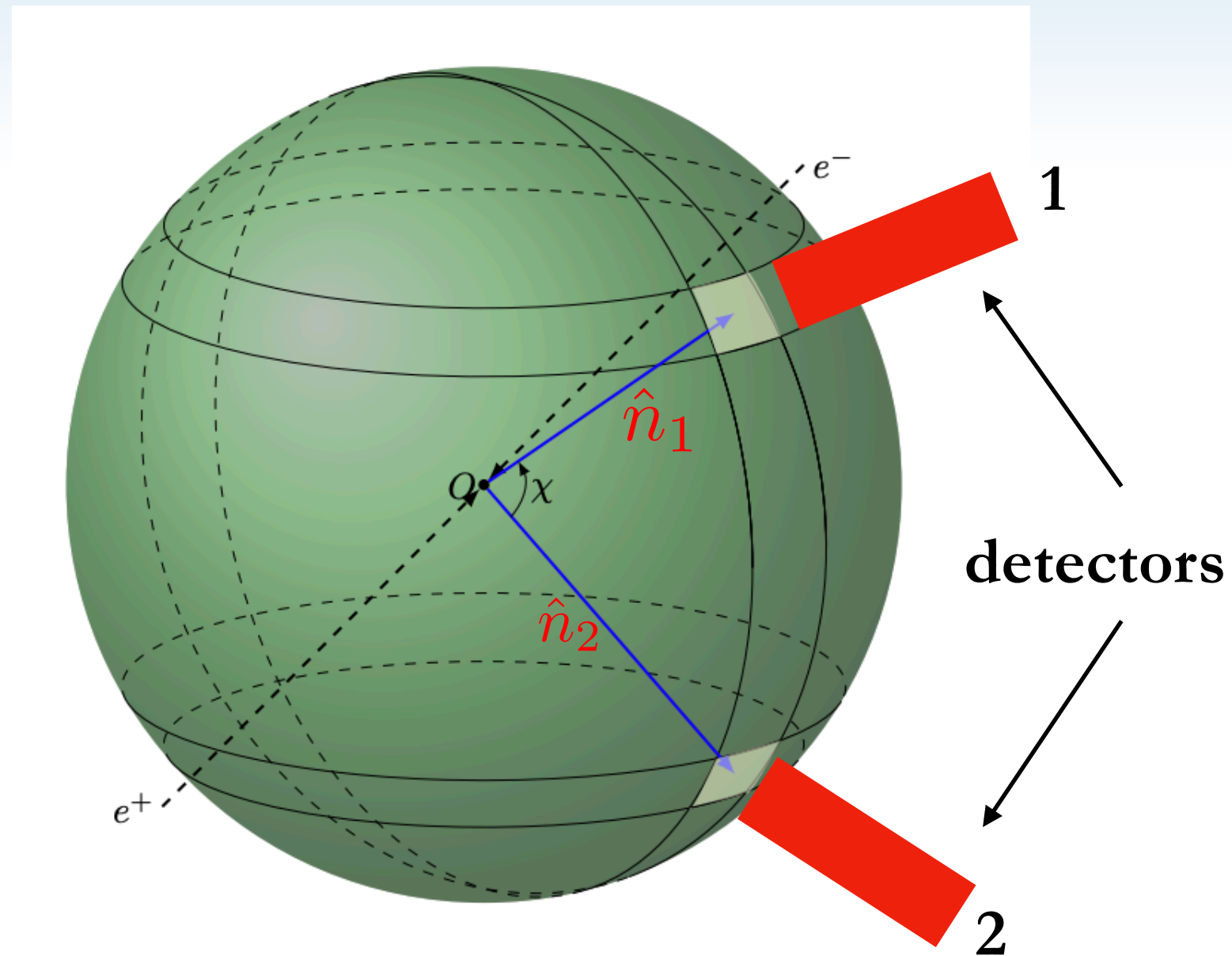


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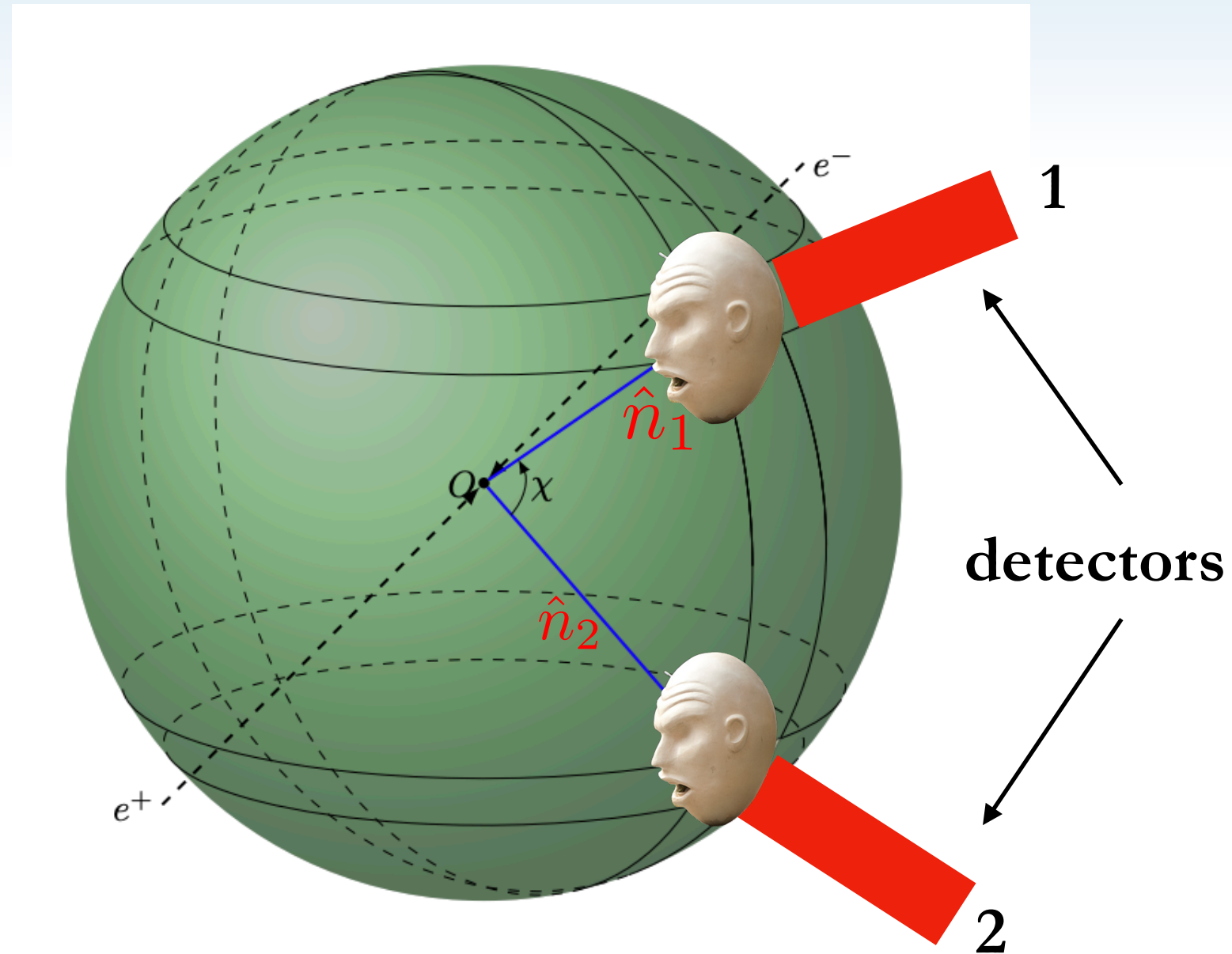
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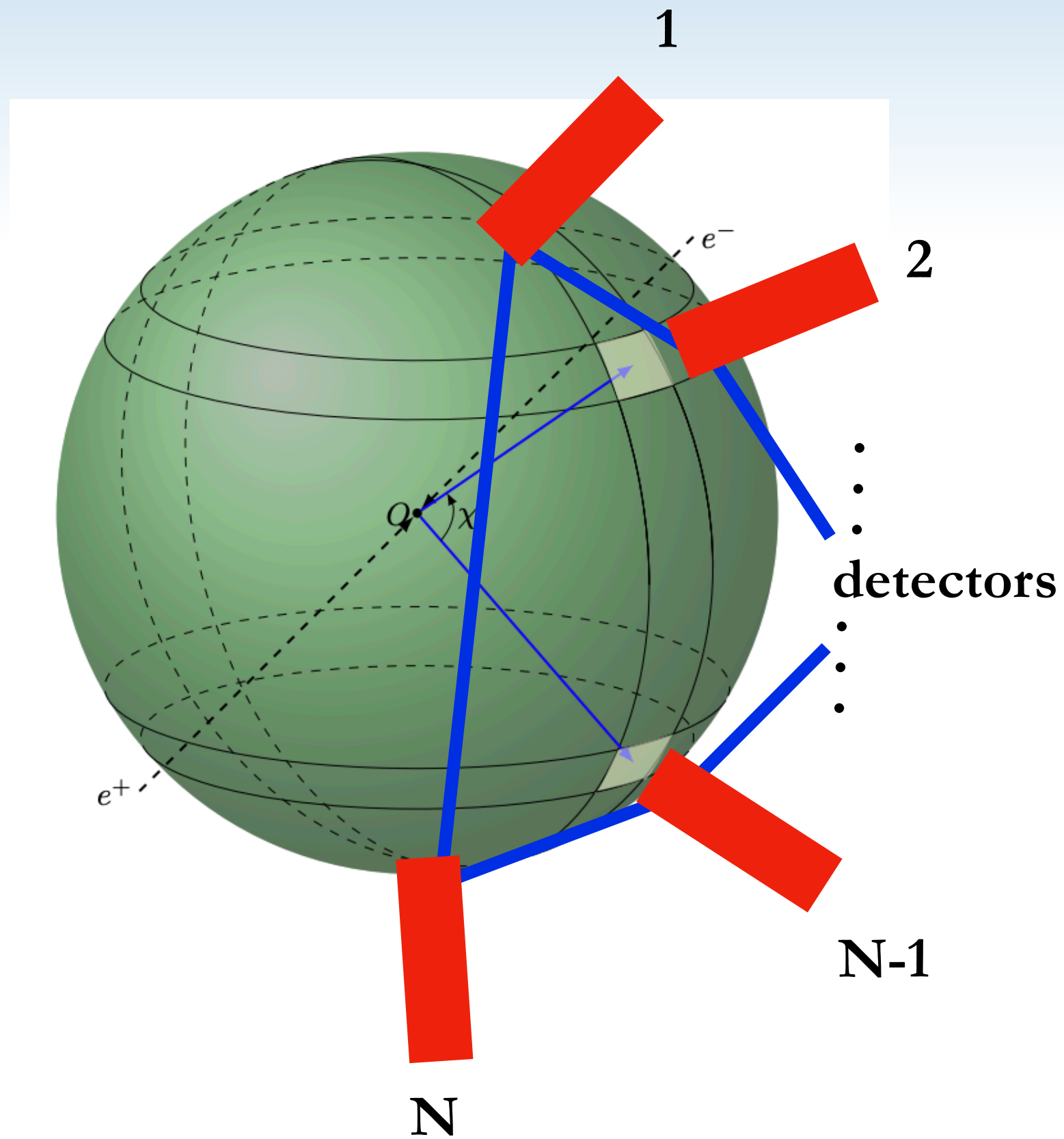
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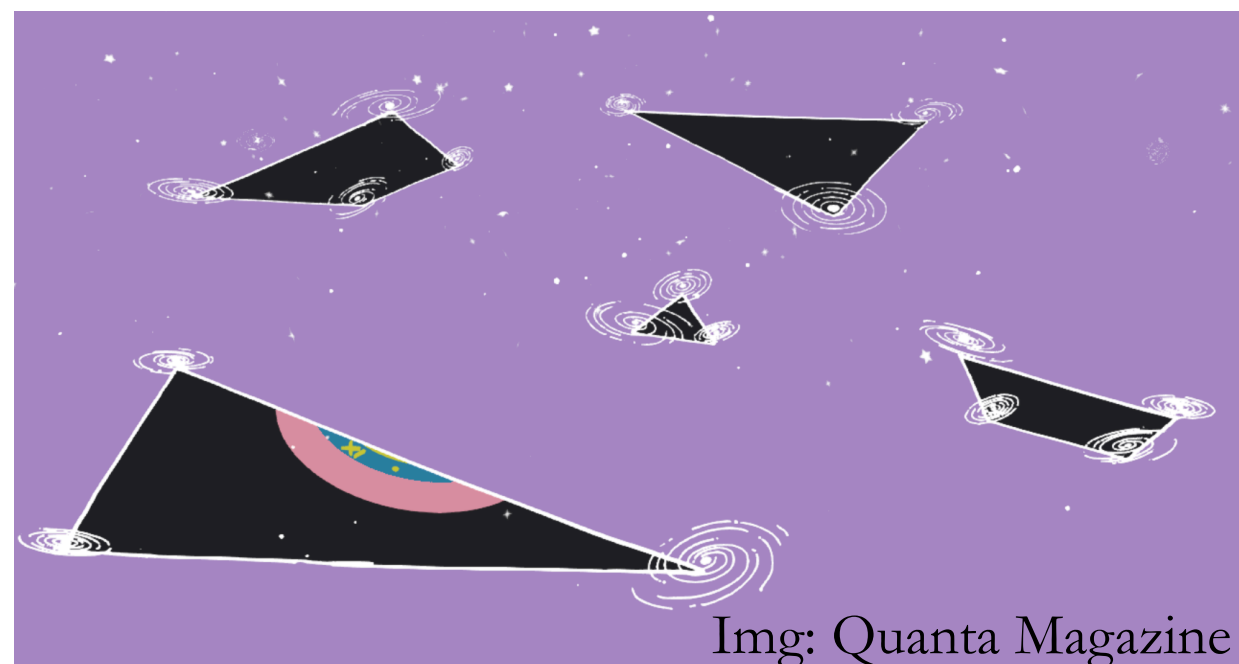
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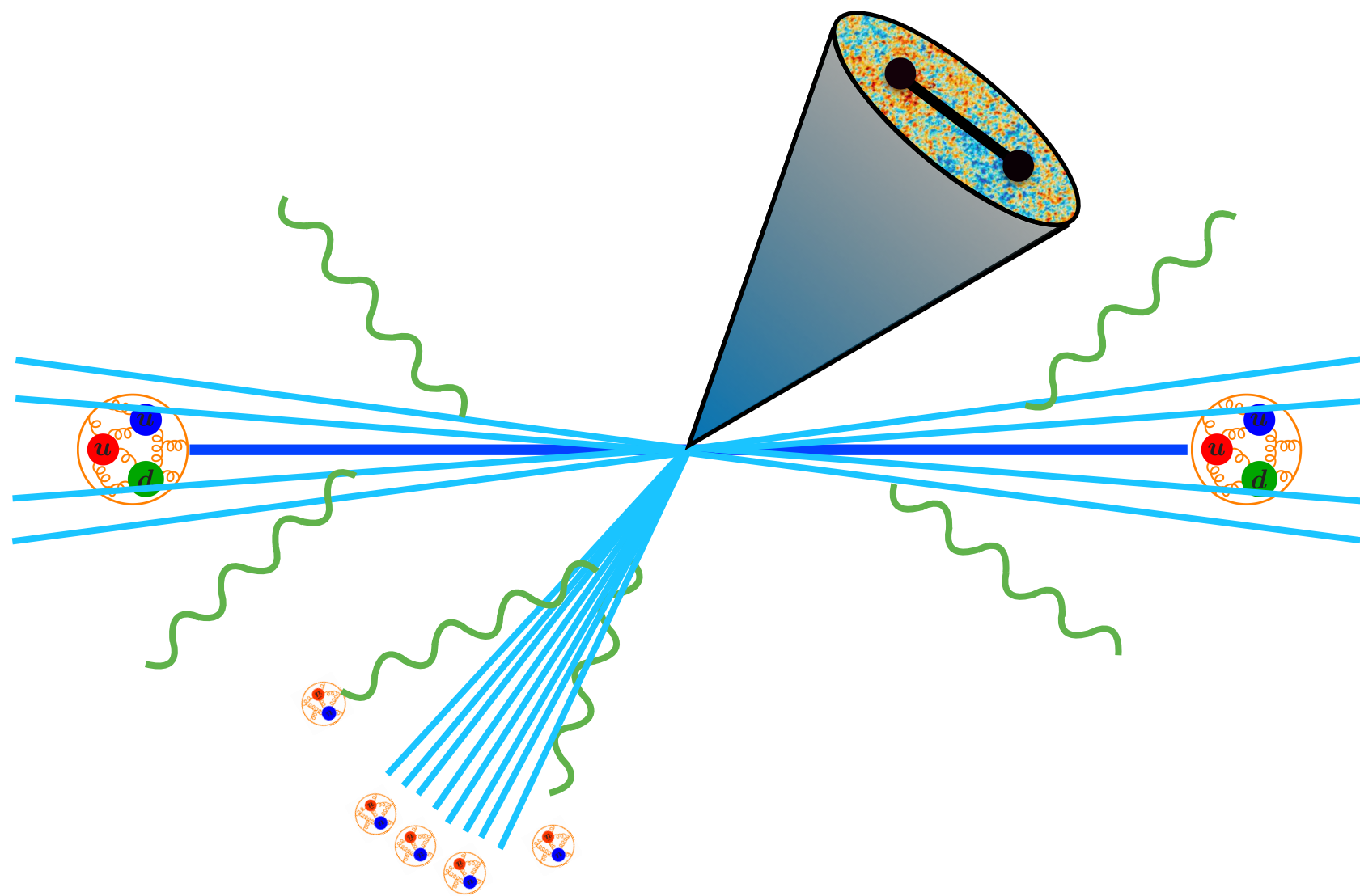


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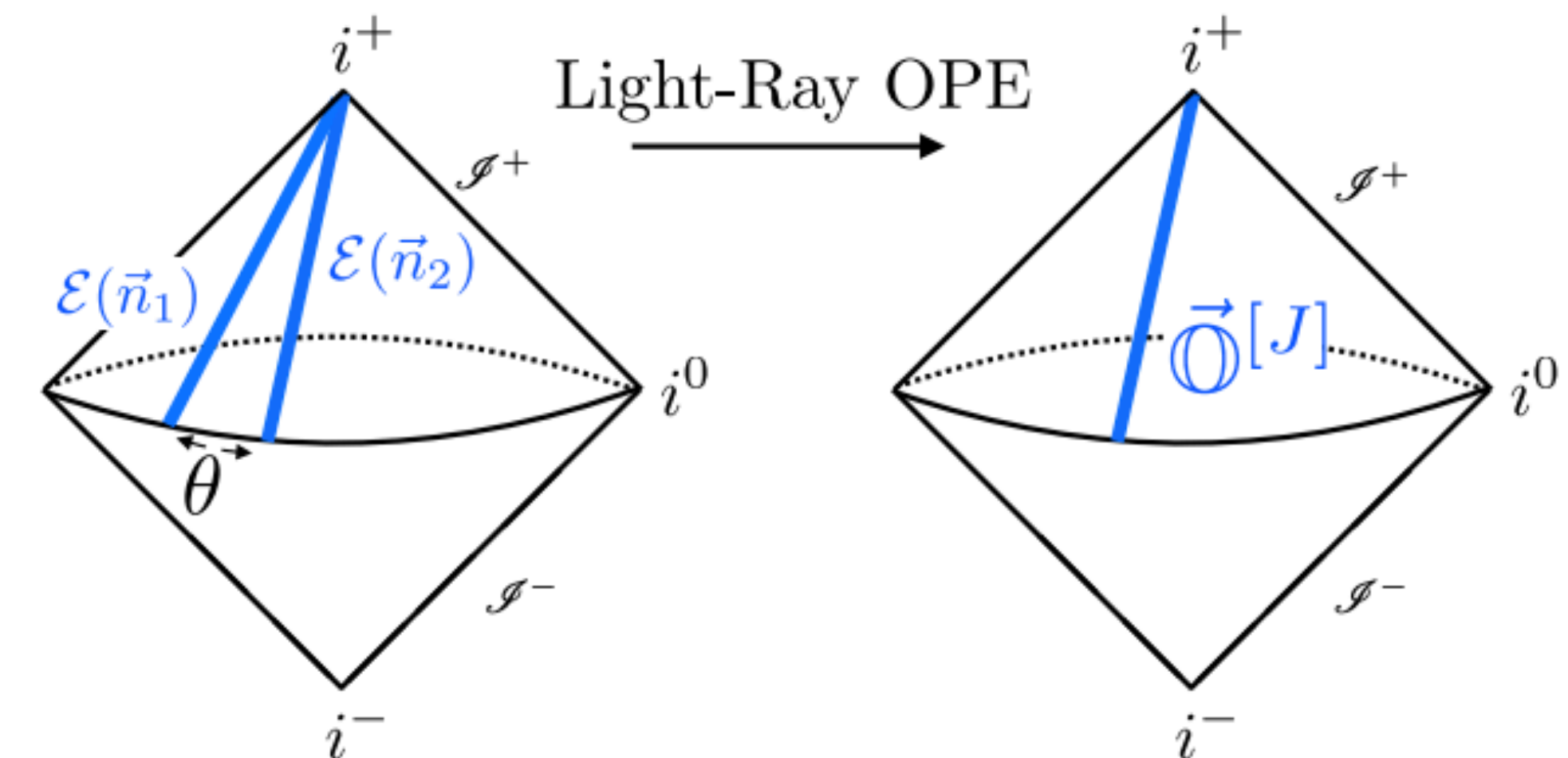
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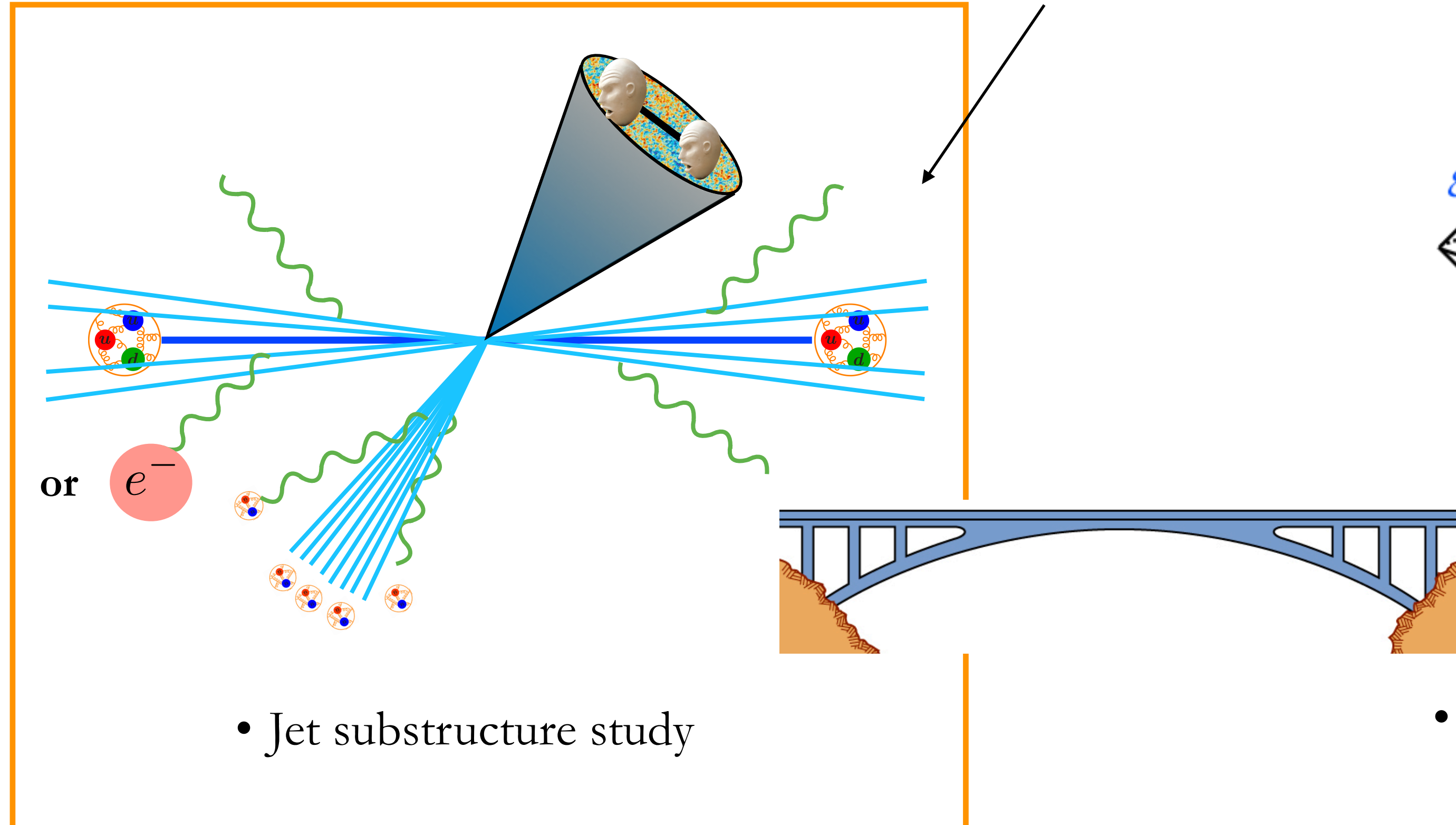
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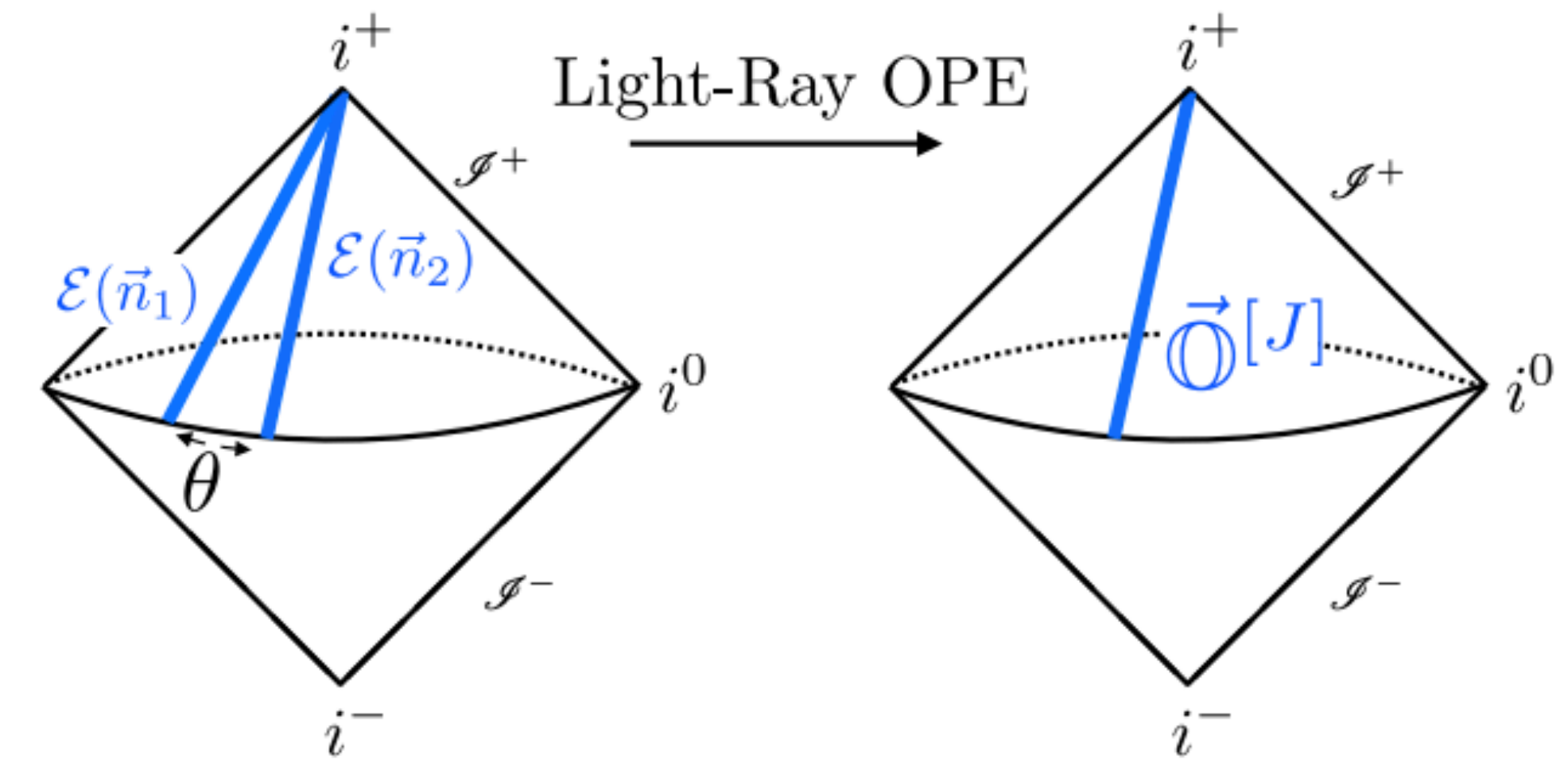
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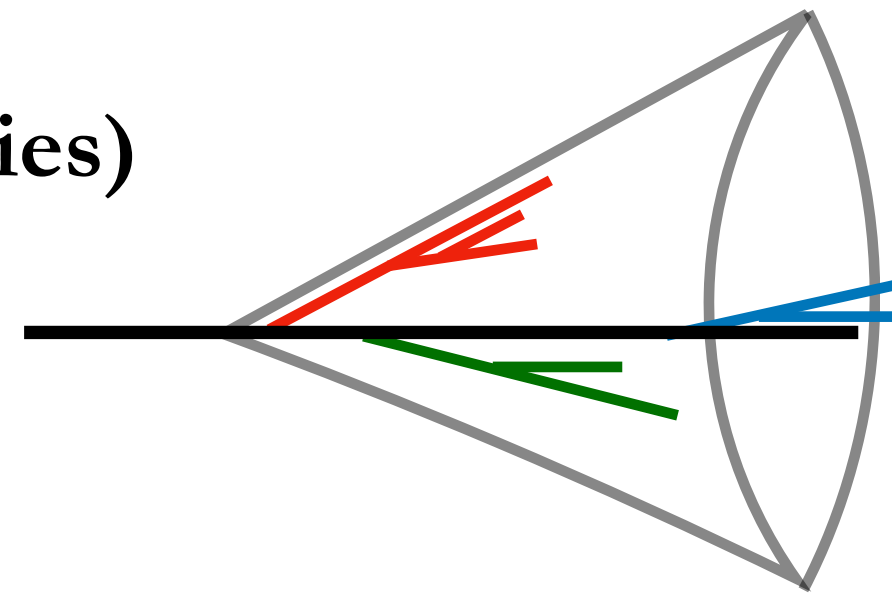
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**(Collinear-)soft**

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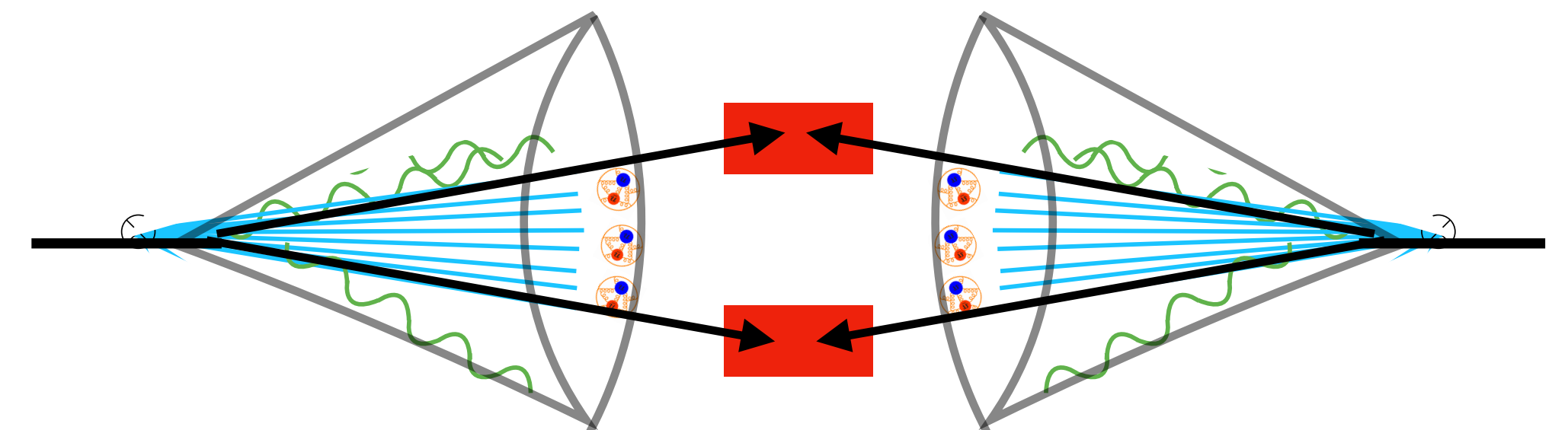
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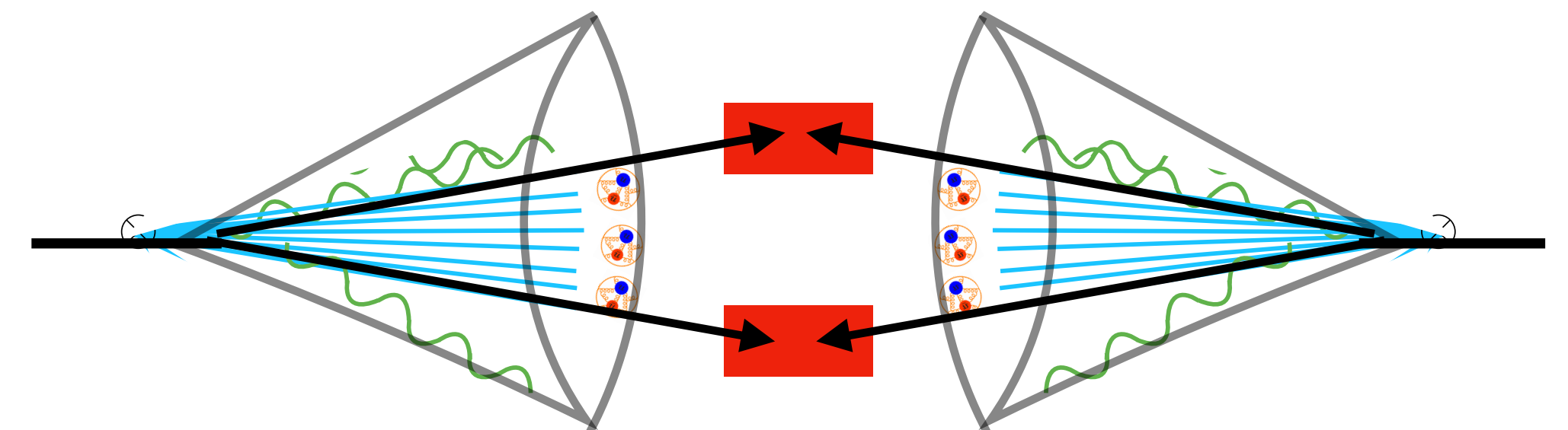
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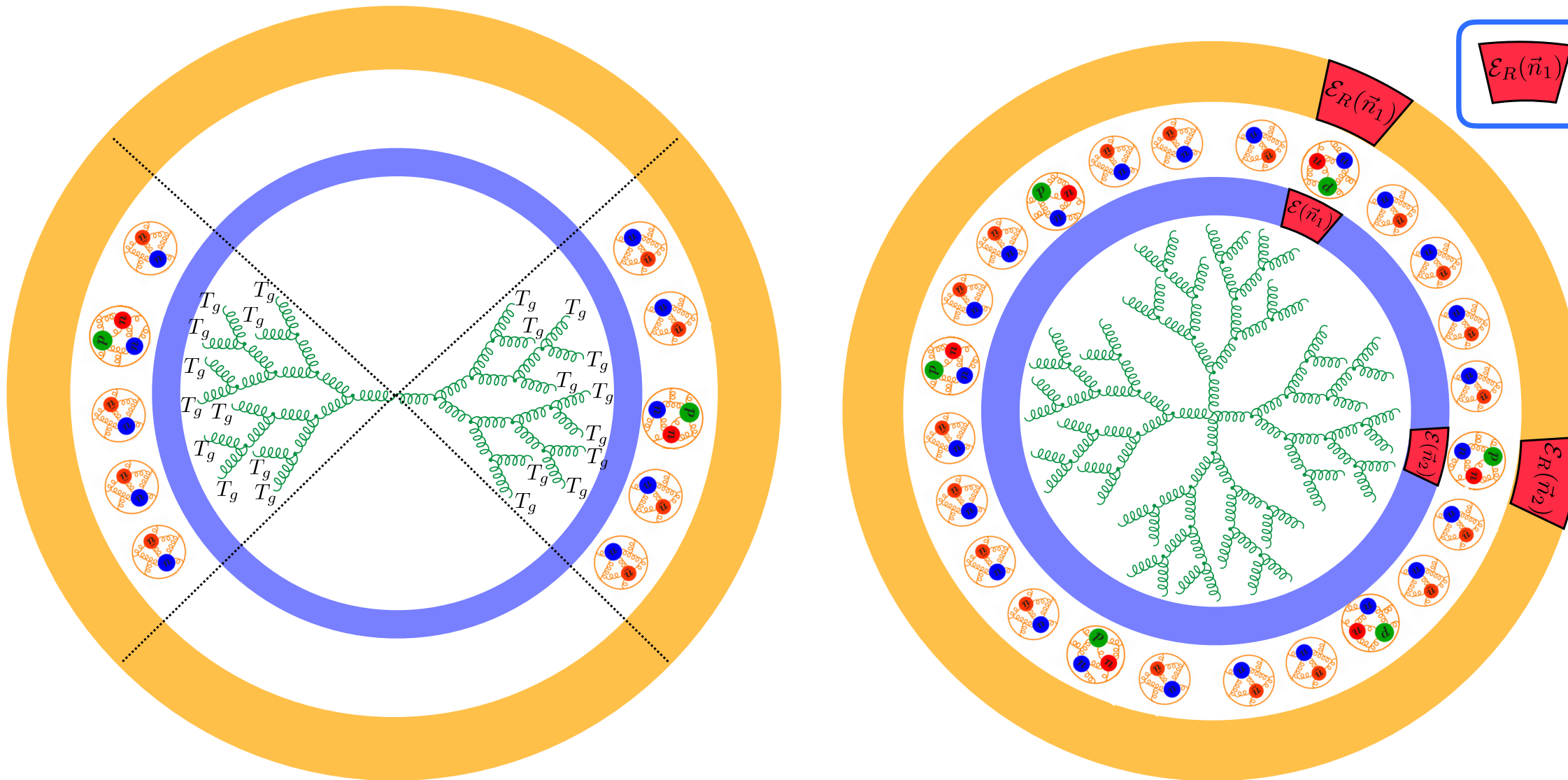
- Fixed number of detectors

space of detectors **vs** space of the states

- Makes incorporation of NP dynamics much simpler

## Example: Track observable

Chang, Procura, Thaler, Waalewijn, '13



- $T_i(x_i, \mu)$  describes momentum fraction of initial parton  $i$  converted to tracks, i.e.  $p_{\text{trk}}^\mu = x_i p_i^\mu$

- Jet shape measured on track is then

$$\delta(e - \hat{e}(\{p_i^\mu \in X_J\})) \rightarrow \delta(e - \hat{e}(\{x_i p_i^\mu \in X_J\}))$$

which requires simultaneous knowledge of all the tracks in jet.

- On the other hand, energy correlators on tracks only require a simple replacement:

$$\mathcal{E}(\hat{n}) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_R(\hat{n}) = T_i(1, \mu) \mathcal{E}(\hat{n}) \quad T_i(1, \mu) = \int dx x T_i(x, \mu)$$

- This simple structure allowed energy correlators on track to be computed at the same accuracy as the state of the art calculation perturbative calculation.

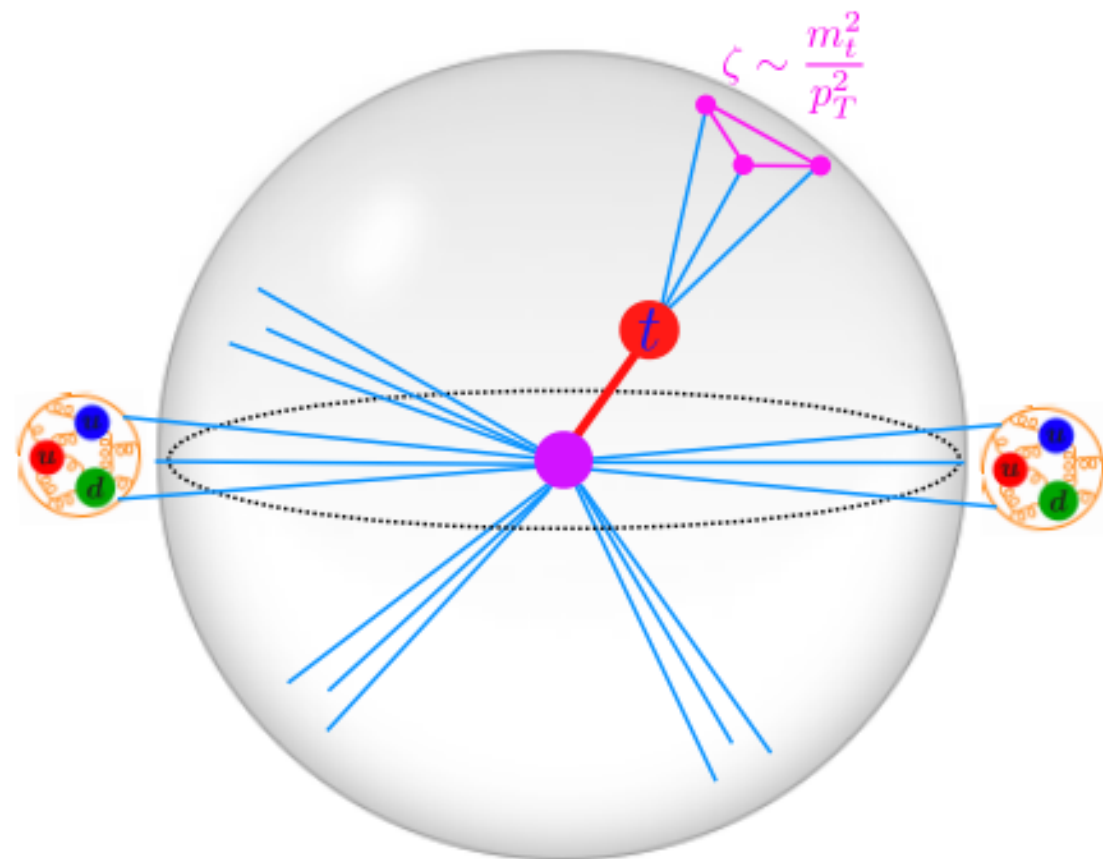
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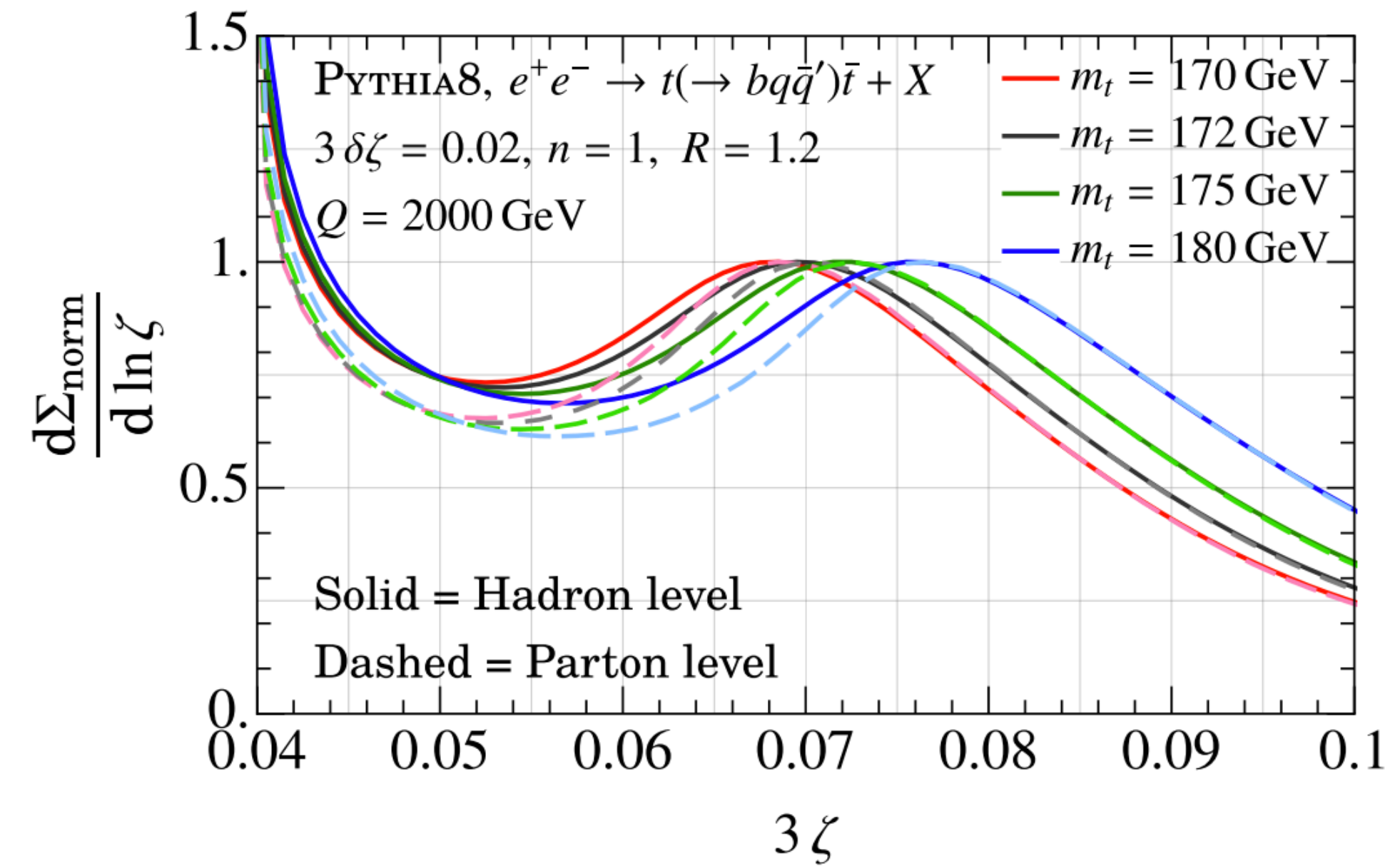
$$\mu \sim 2p_{J,T}\sqrt{z} \sim p_{J,T}R_L$$

scale knob



Example: Top mass

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Equilateral triangle, so  $\zeta \sim \frac{R_L^2}{4}$

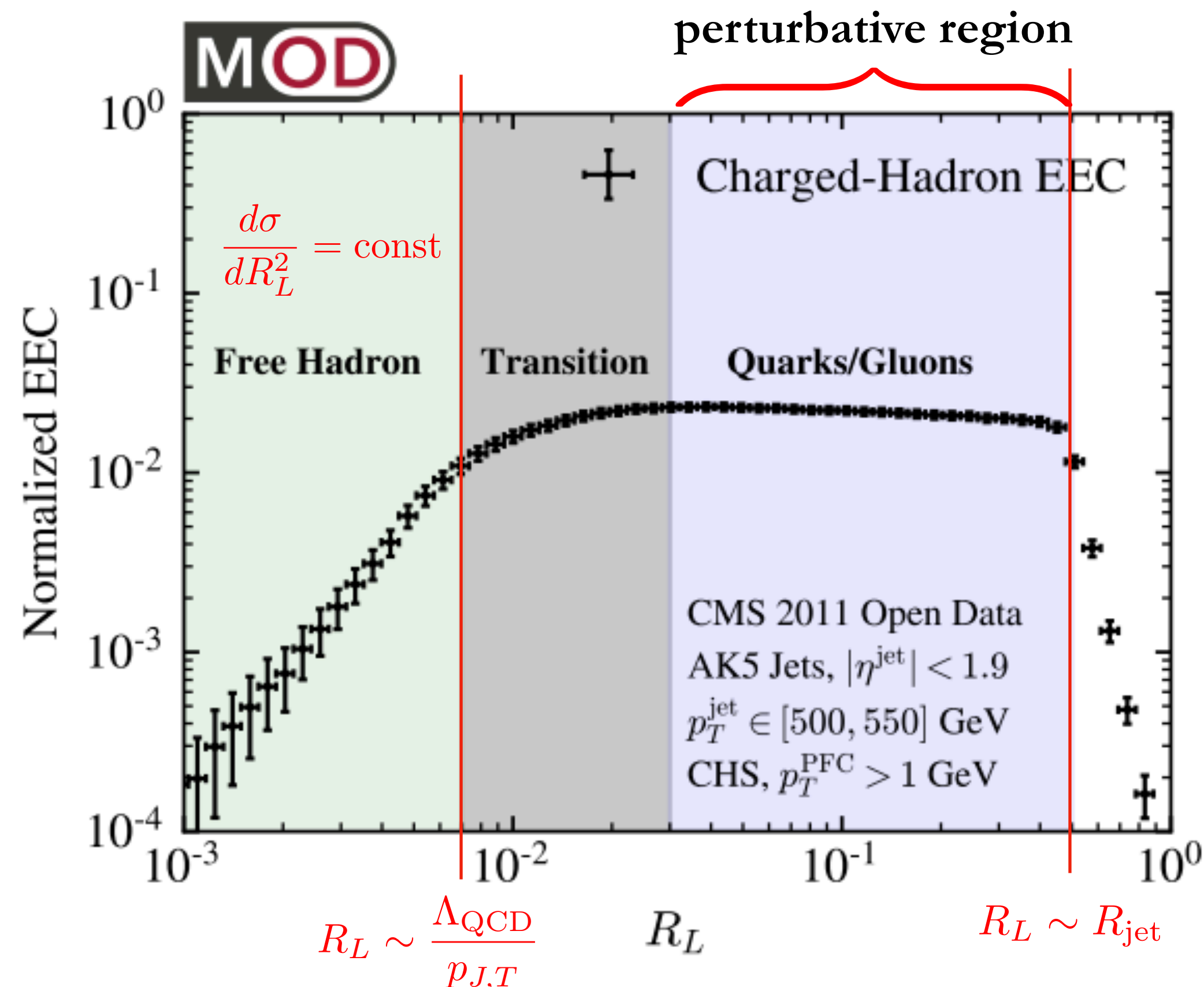
- One sees a clear top mass sensitive peak around  $3\zeta \sim \frac{3m_t^2}{Q^2}$

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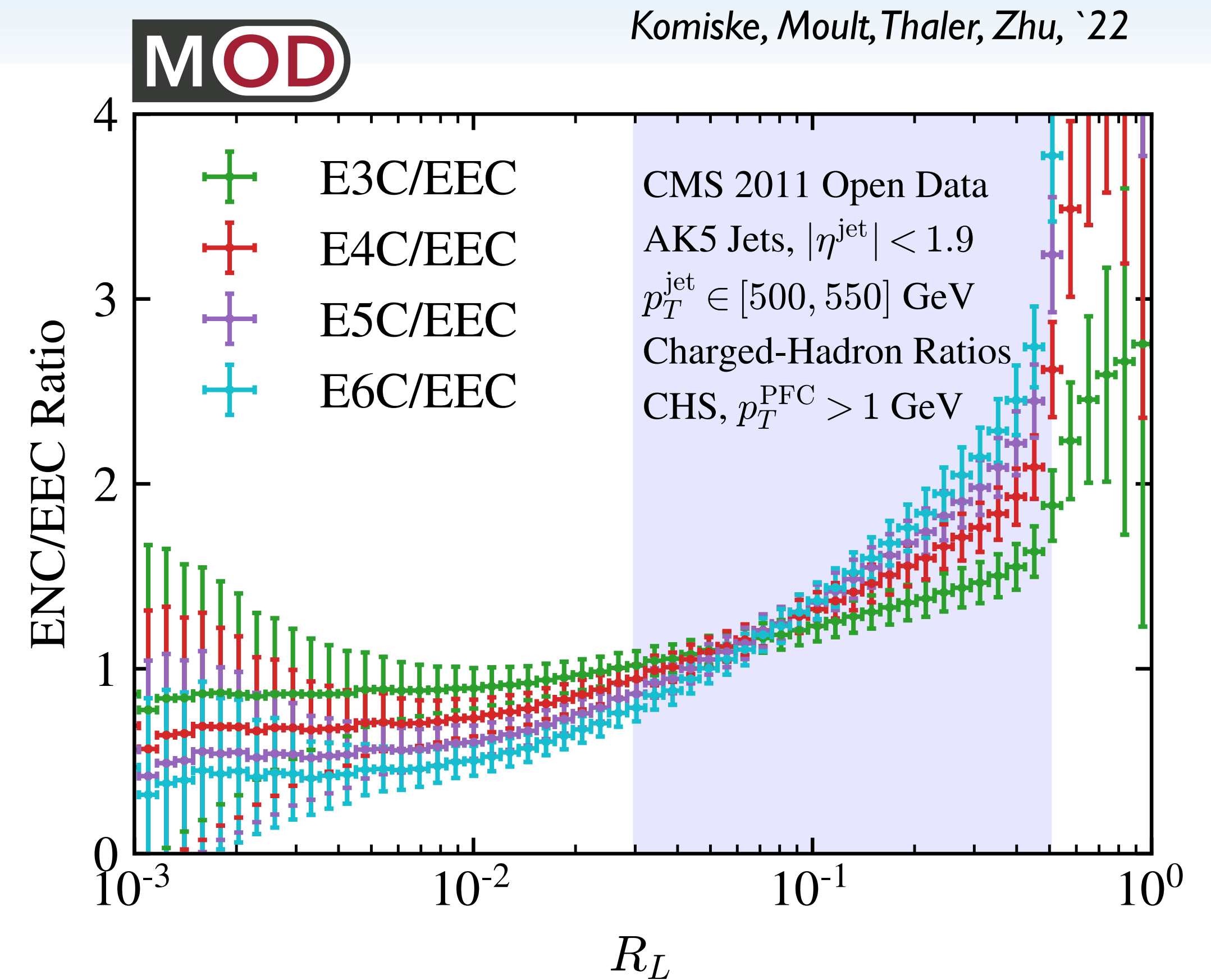
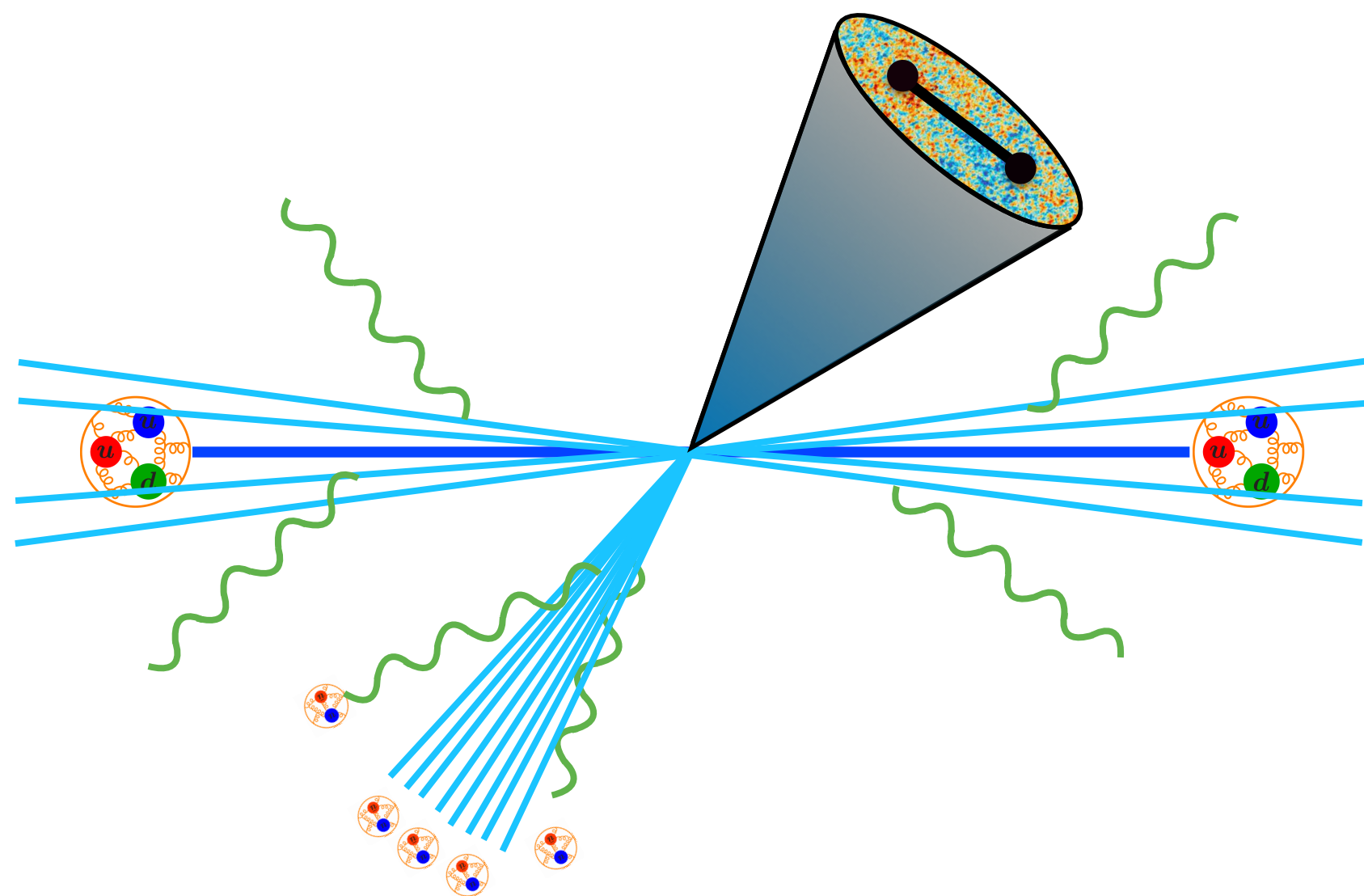
Example: Transition between hadronic and perturbative regions



- Unlike in jet shape, which can have multiple scales at a fixed value of the observable, one really probes fixed angular and associated energy scale.
- This makes the transition between different regions clear.
- Free hadron region is consistent with the freely propagating uniformly distributed hadrons.

- Now, let's look at the perturbative region.

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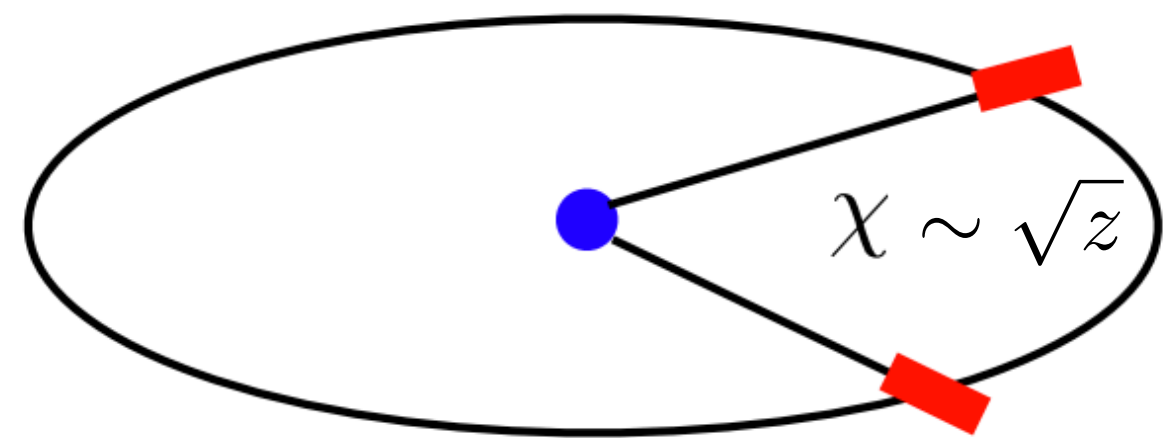


- Want to be able to extend the formalism to study energy correlators as jet substructure at the LHC!

# Energy correlators at $e^+e^-$

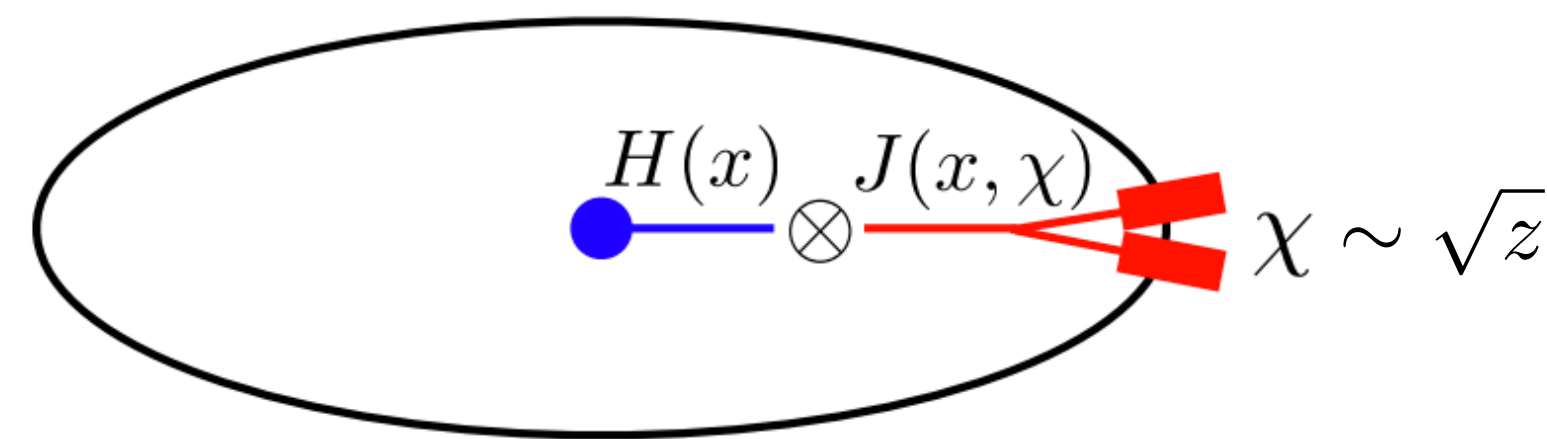
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Hard function  
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Dixon, Moutl, Zhu, '19

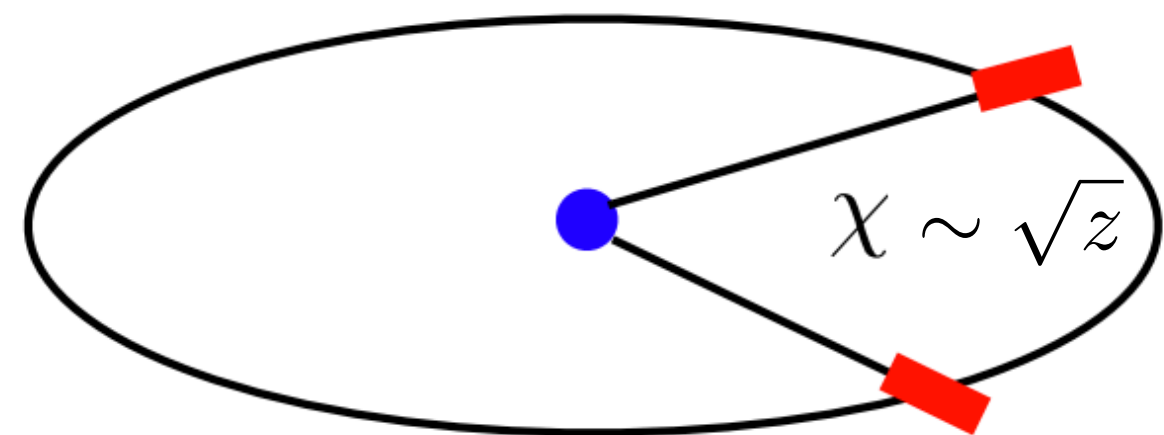
EEC Jet function

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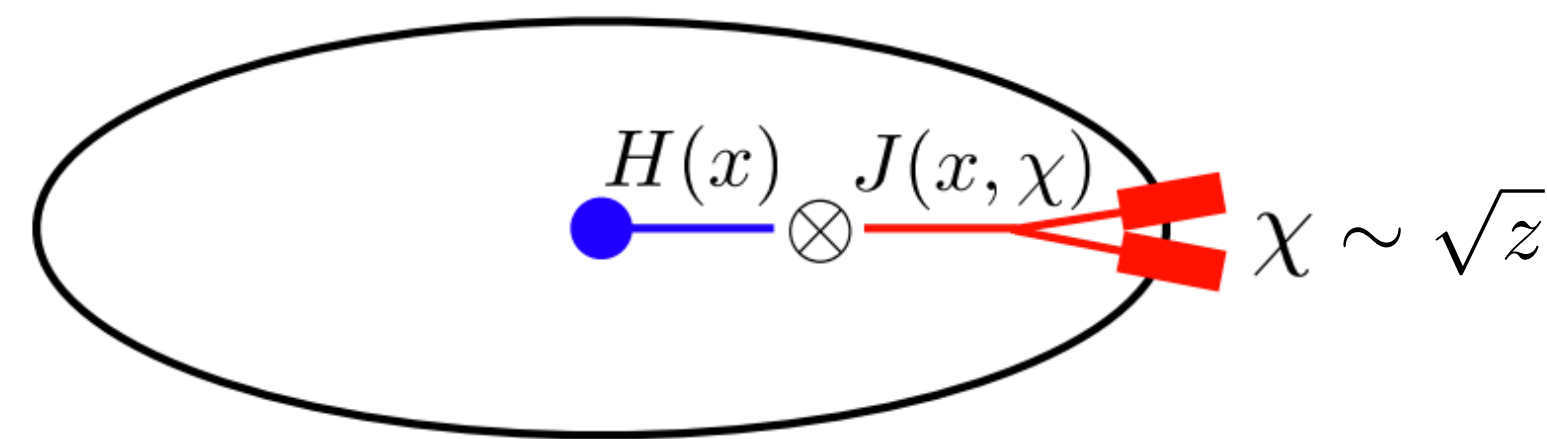
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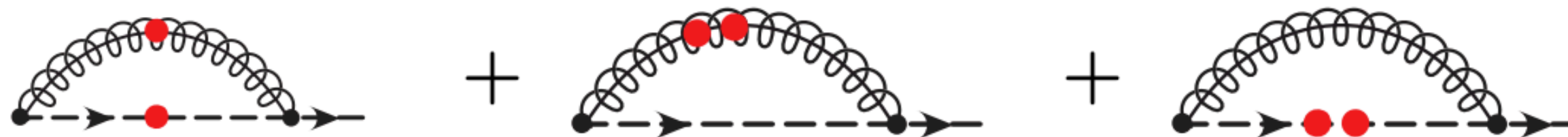
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$\vec{J}$  at NLO



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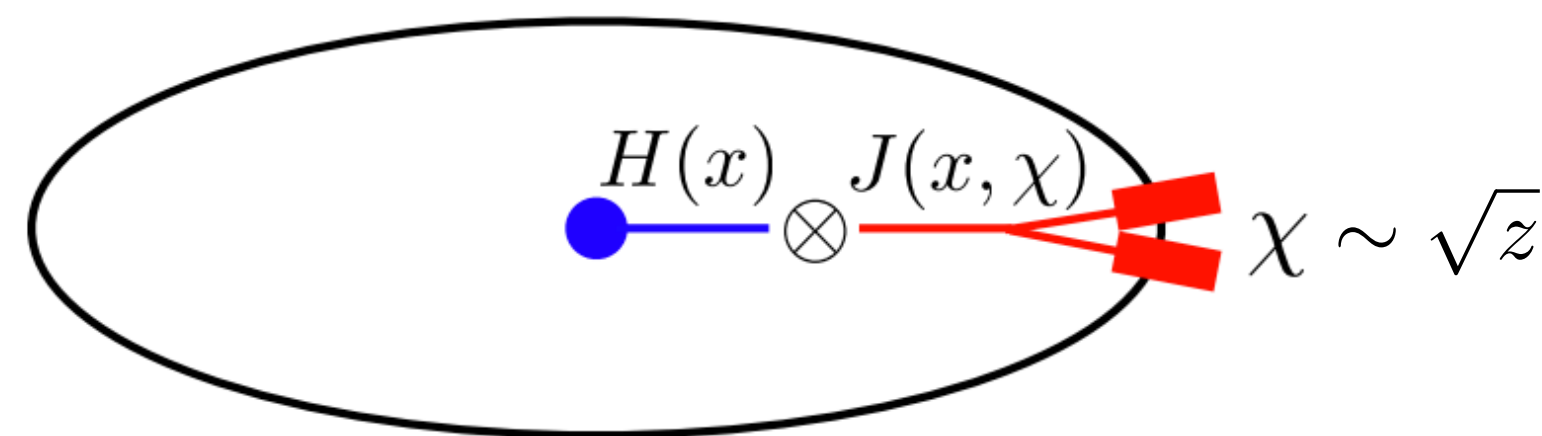
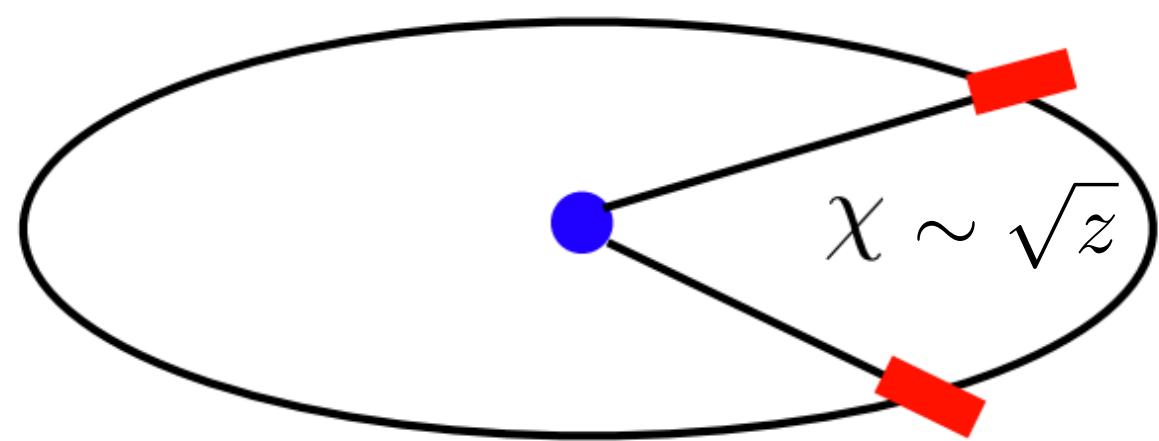
- In CFTs,

$$\Sigma(z) = \frac{1}{2} C(\alpha_s) z^{\gamma_J^{\mathcal{N}=4}(\alpha_s)} \iff \mathcal{E}(\hat{n}_1) \mathcal{E}(\hat{n}_2) = \theta^{\gamma_i} \sum \mathbb{O}_i(\hat{n}_1)$$

power-law behavior with scaling from twist-2 spin-3 anomalous dimension, related to OPE.

$$\gamma(3) > 0 \implies z \frac{d\sigma}{dz} \Big|_{z \rightarrow 0} = 0$$

can be computed using OPE alone!

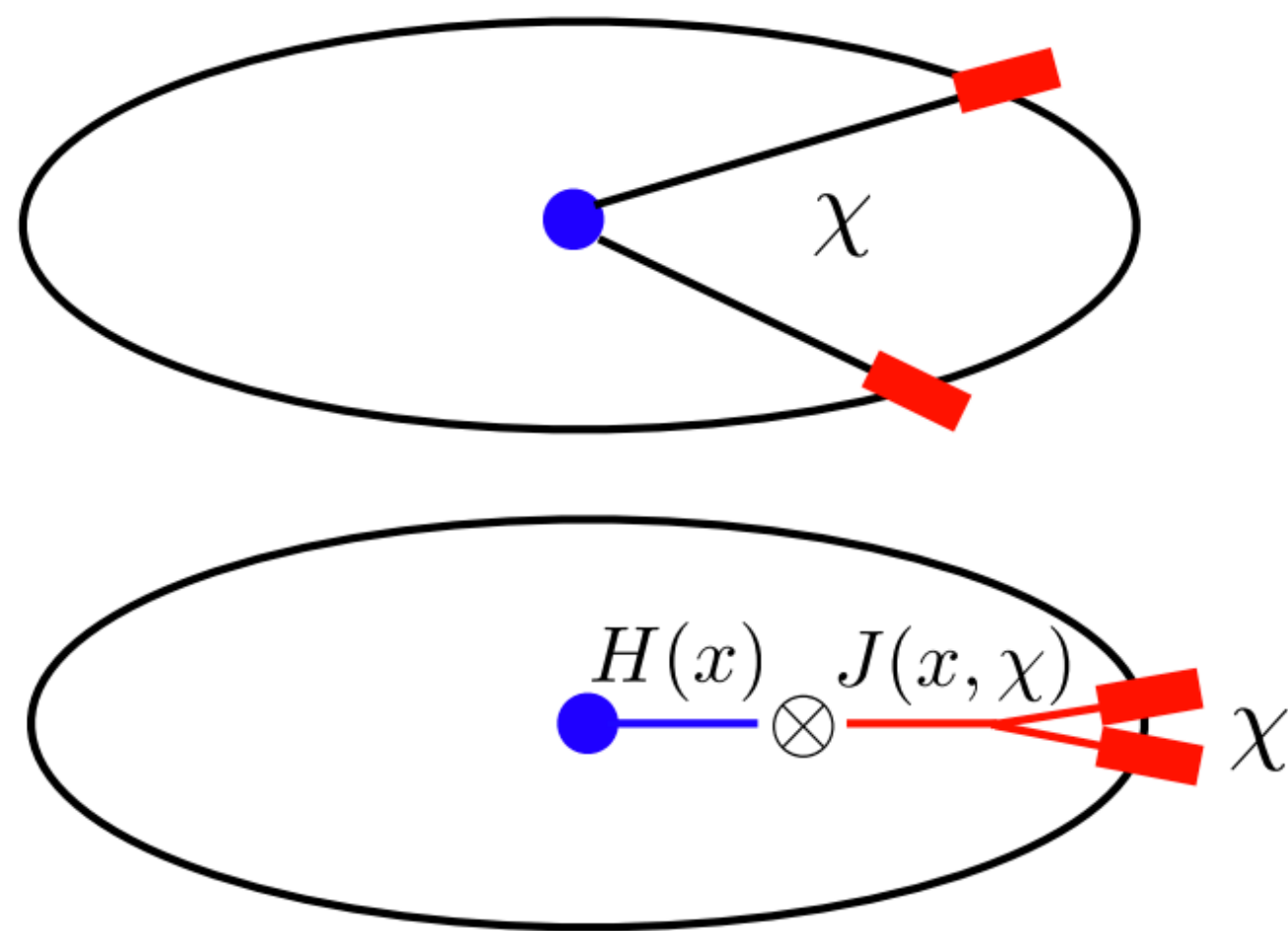


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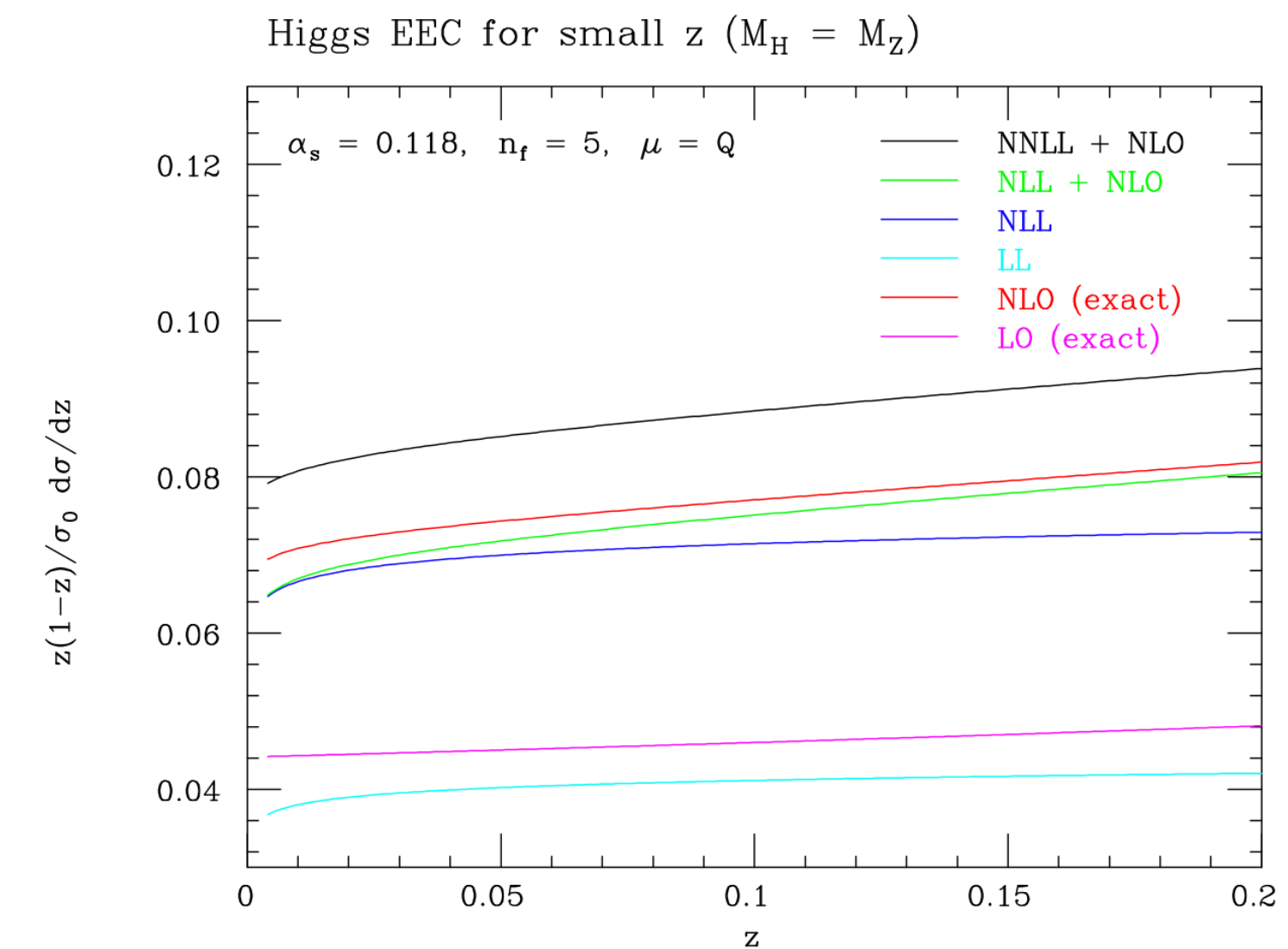
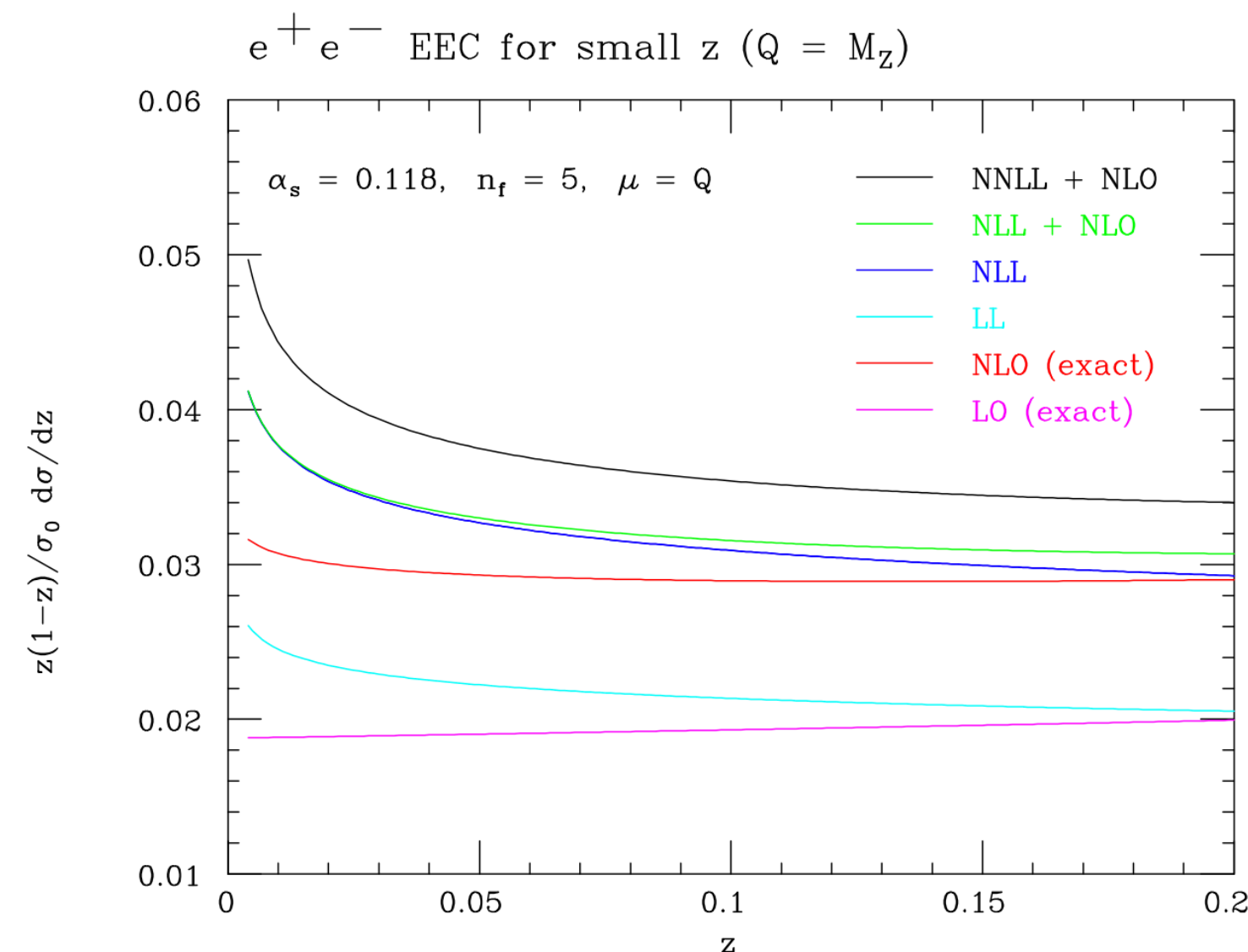
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- In non-CFTs (like QCD), there is competition between **beta functions** and **twist-2 spin-3 anomalous dimension**.



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- Higher scale would give larger window of region where the contribution from the twist-two anomalous dimension dominates over that of beta function, giving phenomenological connection to Light-ray OPE and other CFT techniques
- Higher energy provides more particles in jet, allowing us to study higher-point correlators
- Smaller NP corrections



**Jets at the LHC!**



# The jet fragmentation function and energy correlators

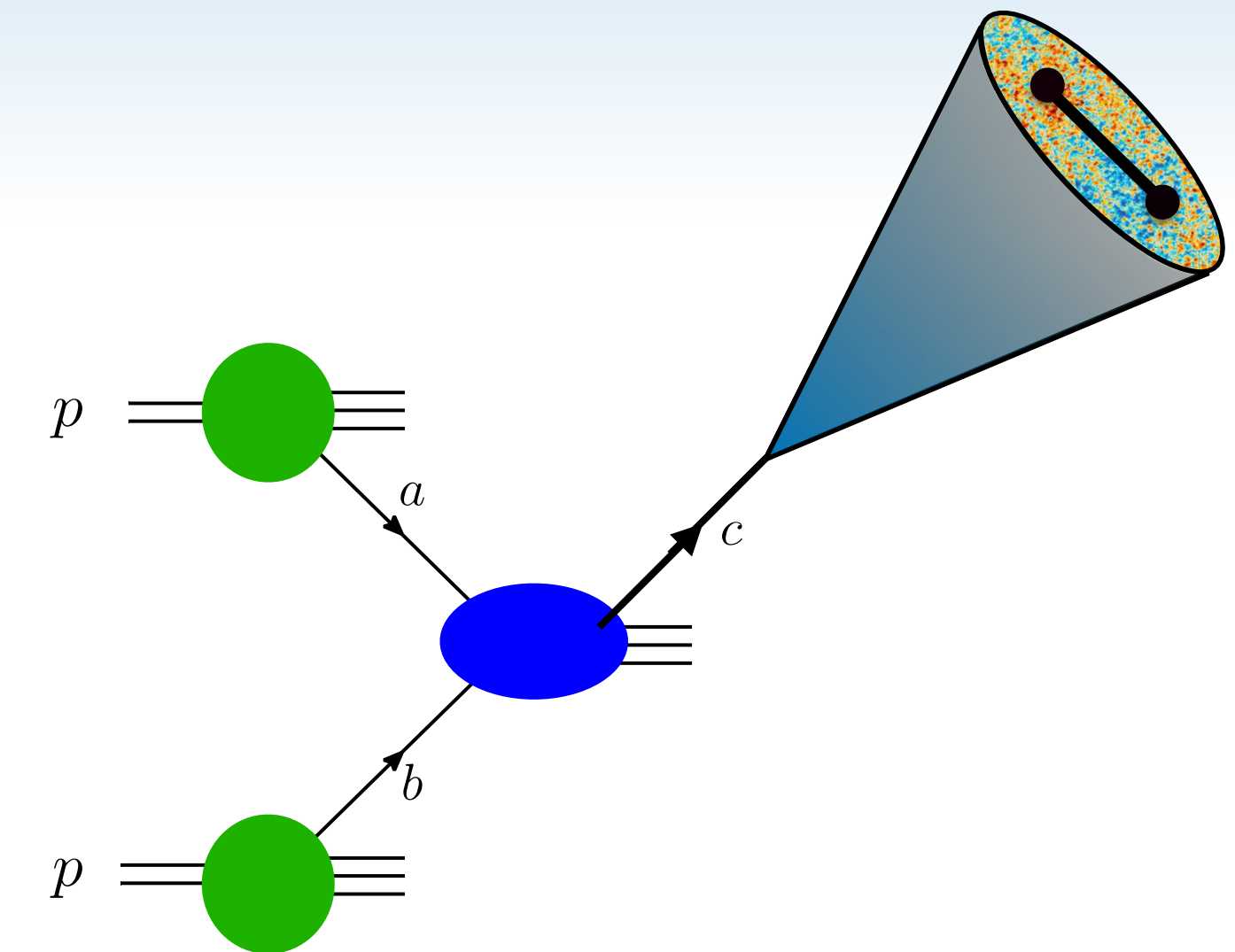
## Factorization

$$\frac{d\sigma^{pp \rightarrow \text{jet(ENC)}X}}{dp_T d\eta d\{\zeta\}} = \sum_{a,b,c} f_{a/A} \otimes f_{b/B} \otimes H_{ab}^c \otimes \mathcal{G}_c(\{\zeta\})$$

$\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$                        $p_T$                        $p_T R$   
 $p_T \sqrt{\zeta}$

where  $\{\zeta\}$  stands for the collection of angles in N-point correlators

$$\mathcal{G}_c(z, \{\zeta\}, p_T R, \mu) = \sum_j \int_0^1 dx x^N \mathcal{J}_{ij}(z, x, p_T R, \mu) J_{\text{EEC}}(\{\zeta\}, x, \mu)$$



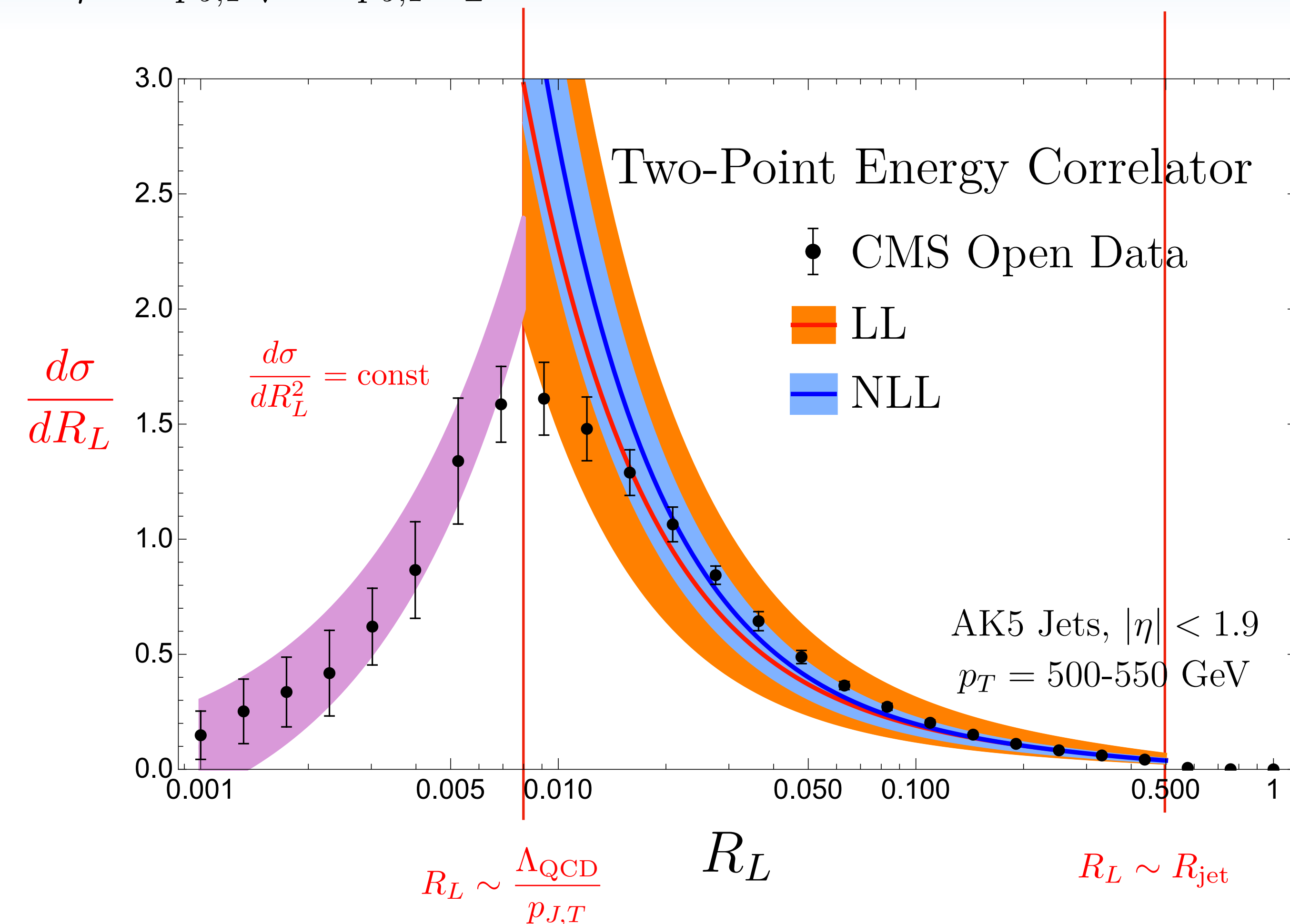
- $J_{\text{EEC}}$  is the same EEC jet function as  $e^+e^-$  case (can use track or other cases too)
- Energy correlators are expectation values on a state  $|\Psi\rangle$   
 In  $e^+e^-$ , the state is created by a local operator.  $\frac{d\sigma}{d\{\zeta\}} \sim \langle \Psi | \mathcal{E}(\hat{n}_1) \cdots \mathcal{E}(\hat{n}_N) | \Psi \rangle$

• As discussed,  $\mathcal{G}_c$ , describes how jet algorithms are used to “create” the state  $|\Psi\rangle$  in which energy correlators are measured.

• More formally,  $|\Psi\rangle = \sum_{\delta,j} c_{\delta,j} |\Psi_{\delta,j}\rangle$  where  $\delta, j$  are the quantum numbers of the celestial sphere.

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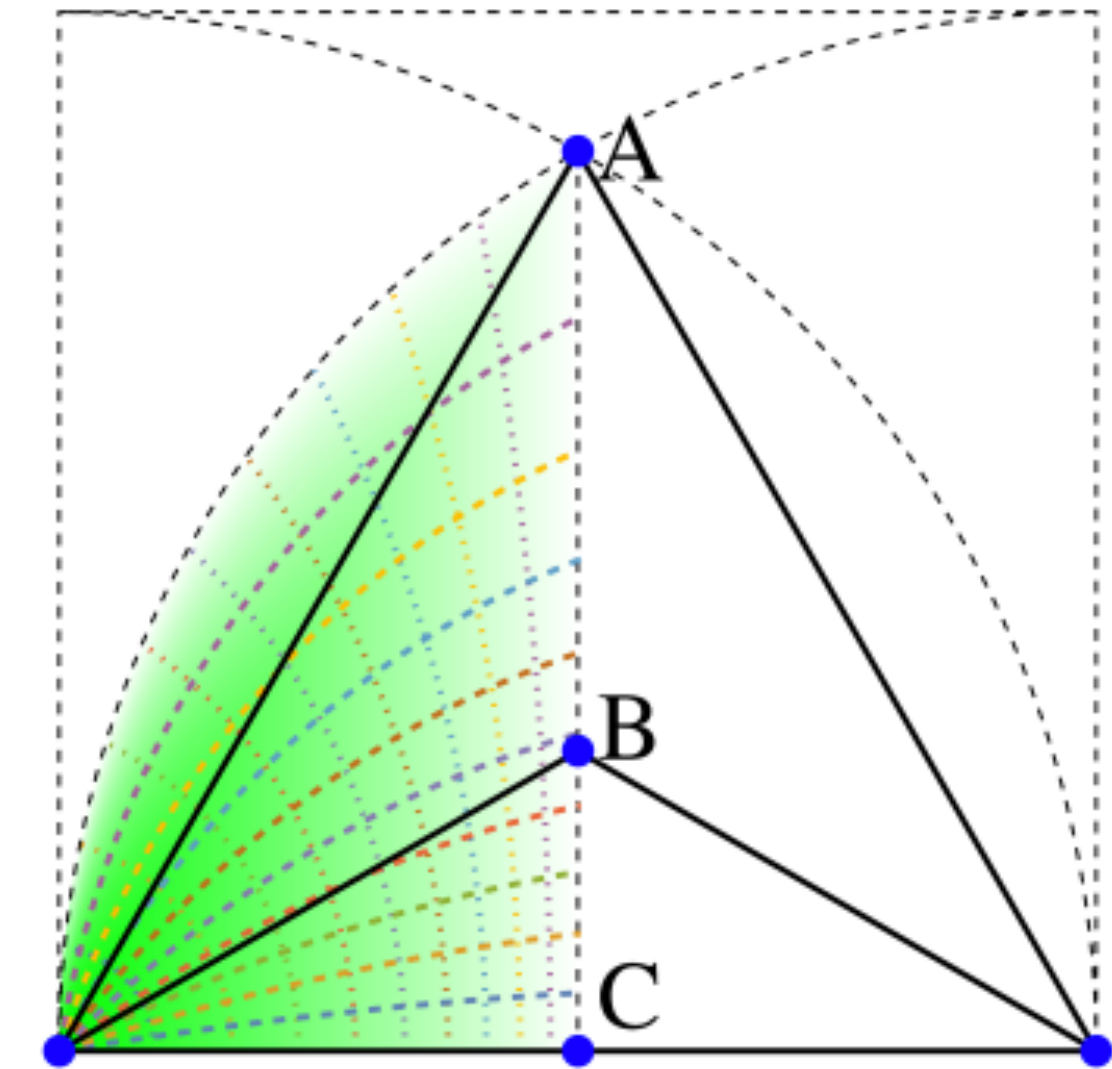
- One can see clear transition between the perturbative and hadronization regions.
- Perturbative region agrees well with the data without any soft drop grooming, trimming, pruning, etc.
- At very small angle, the result is consistent with uniformly distributed freely propagating hadrons.

# Projected Energy correlators at the LHC

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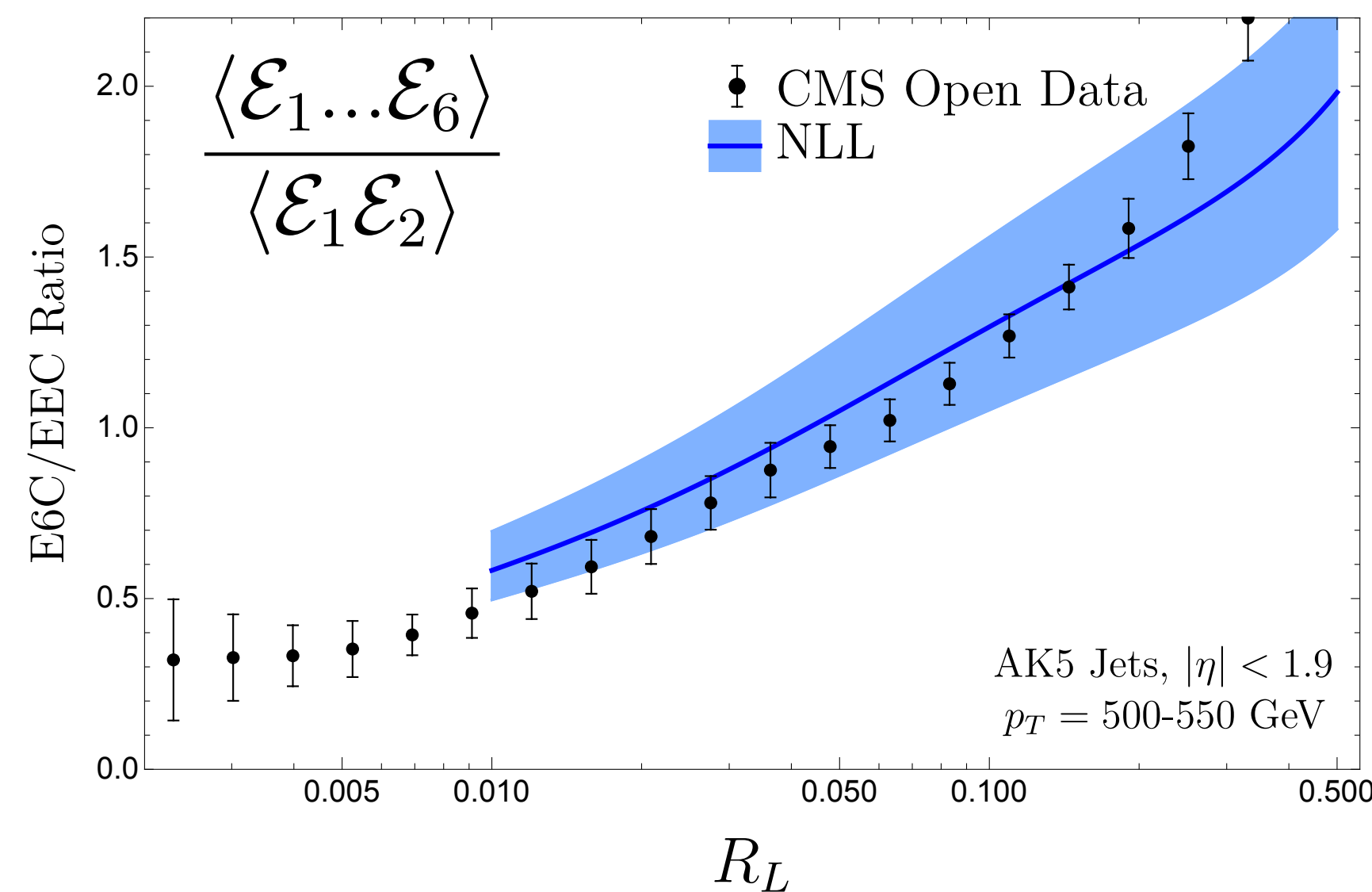
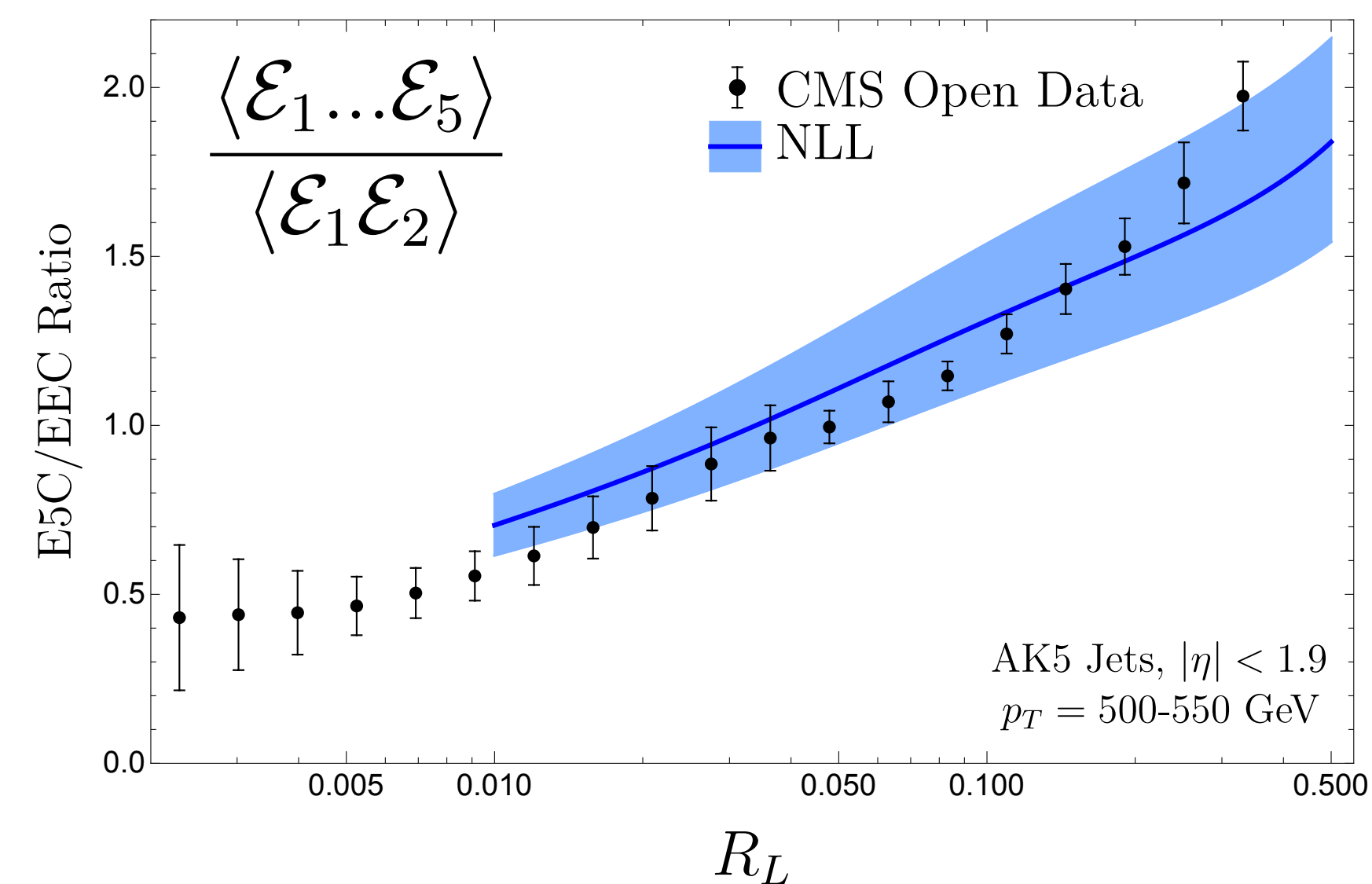
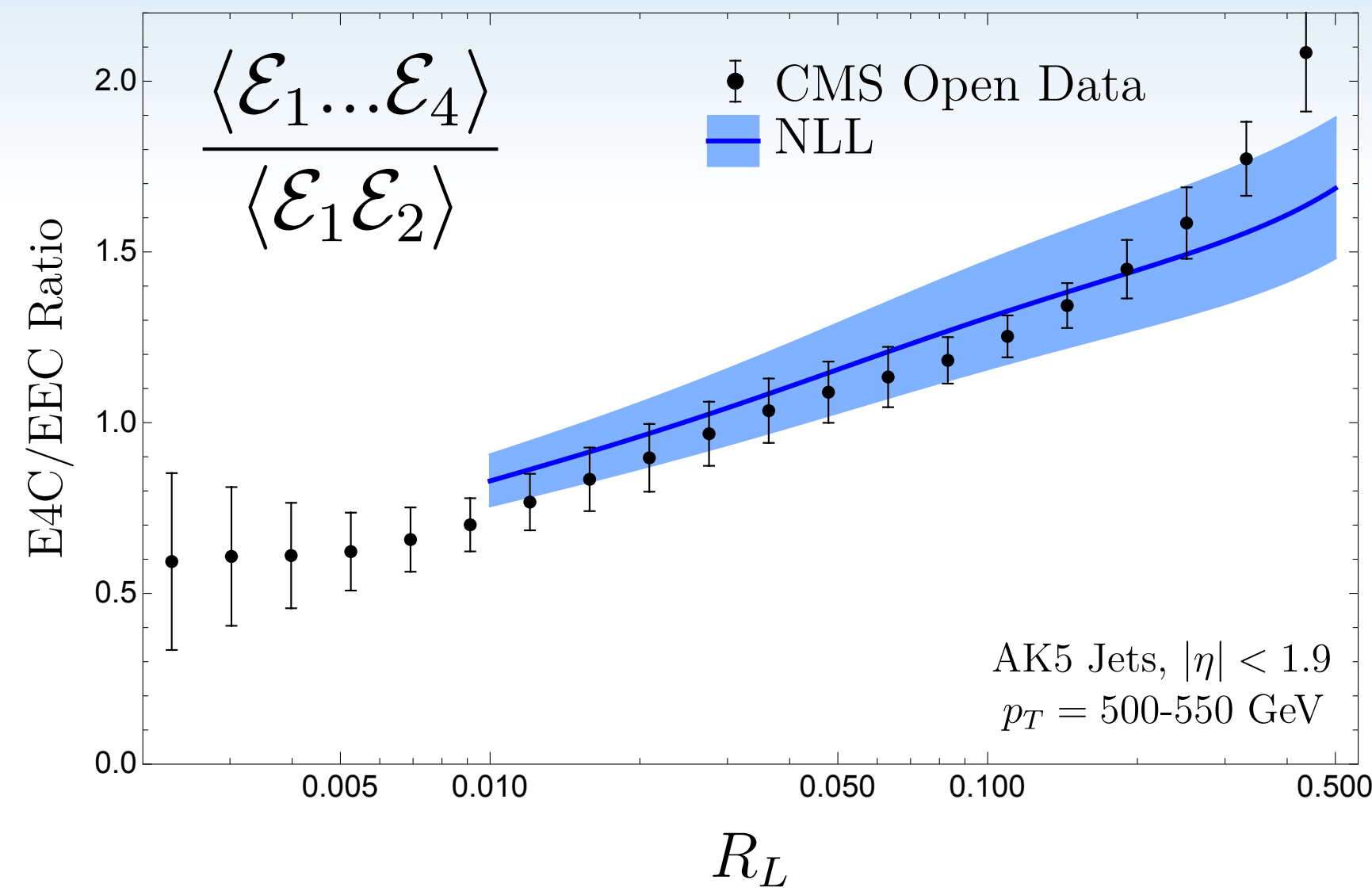
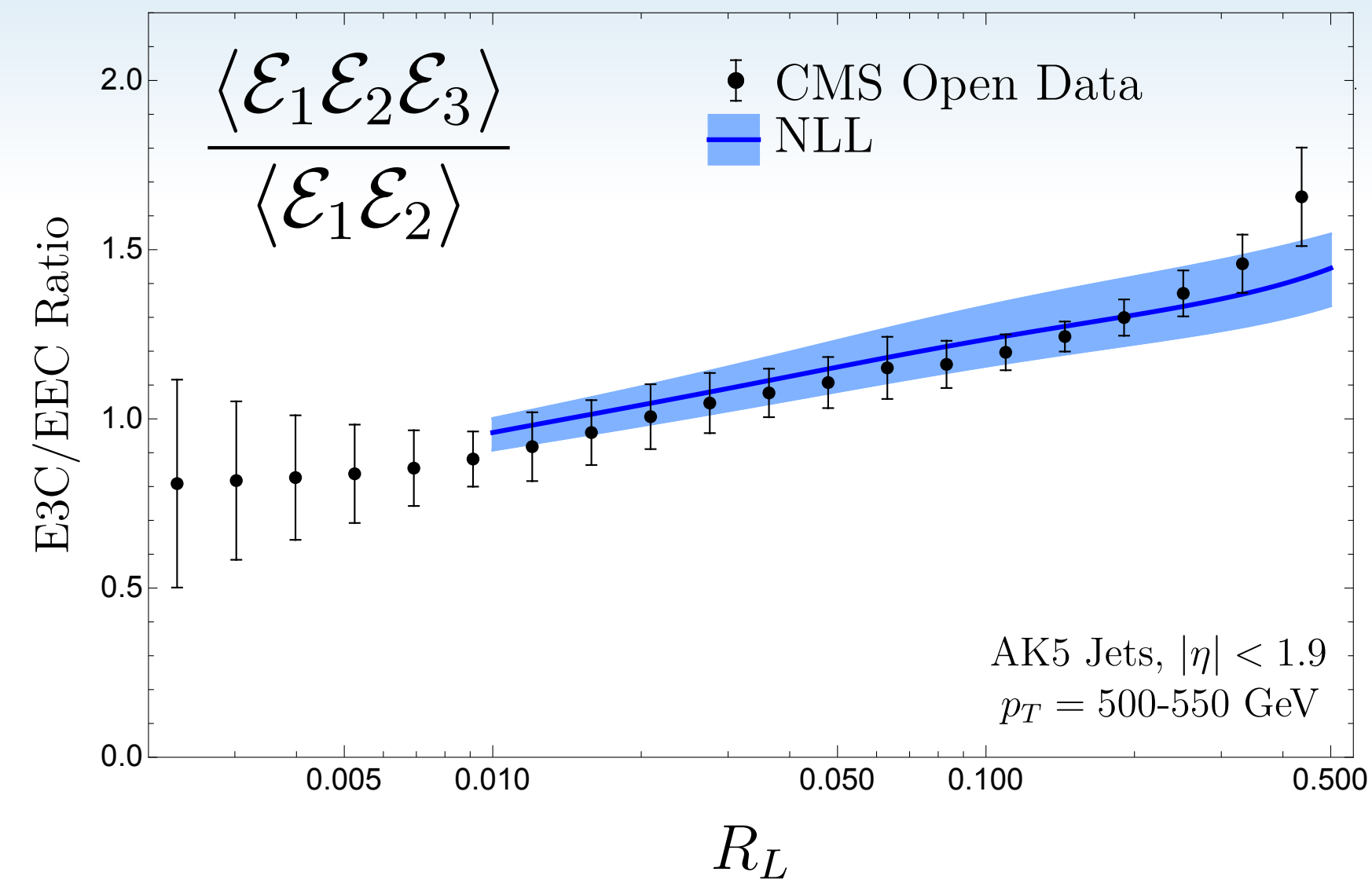
$$J_{\text{EEC}}^{N-\text{proj}}(R_L, x, \mu) = \int d\{\zeta\} \delta(R_L - \max[\{\zeta\}]) J_{\text{EEC}}^N(\{\zeta\}, x, \mu)$$

- Integrate over all shapes with fixed largest angle,  $R_L$
- Related to the OPE limit of the N-point correlators, scales as twist-2 spin-(N+1) anomalous dimension in the conformal limit.



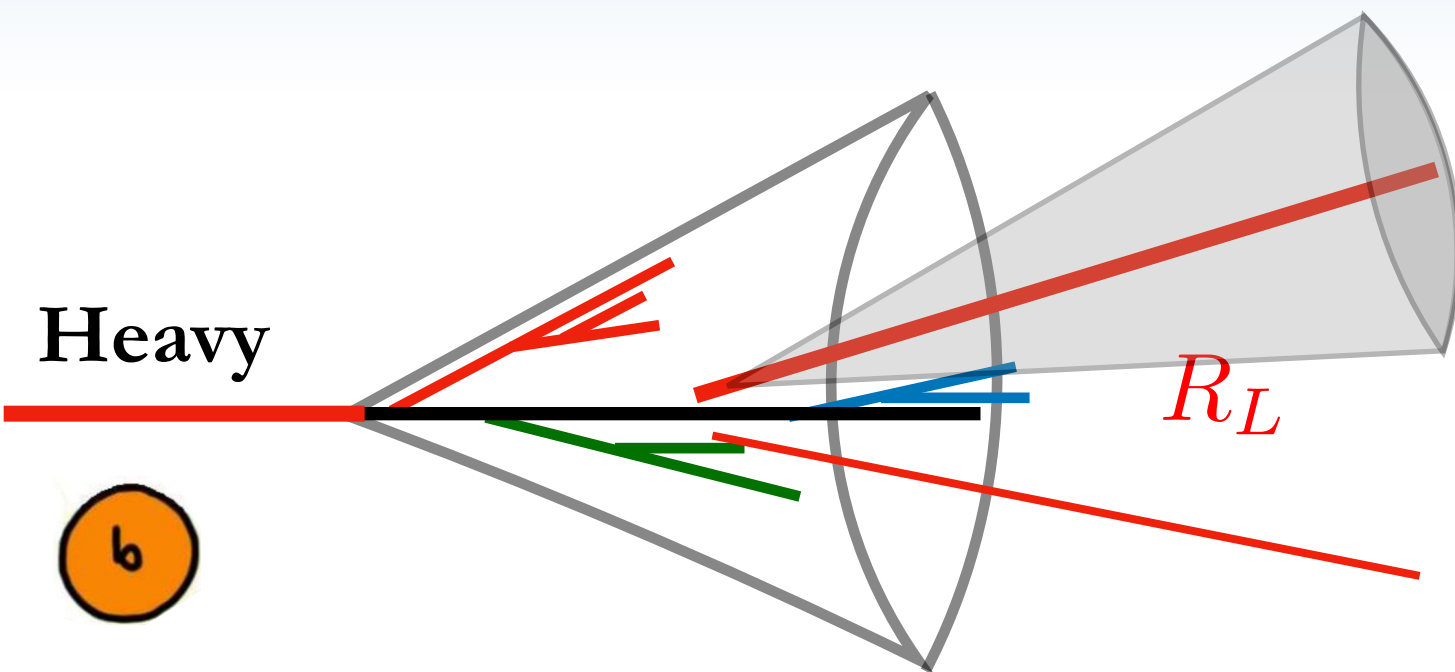
Space of 3-point correlator

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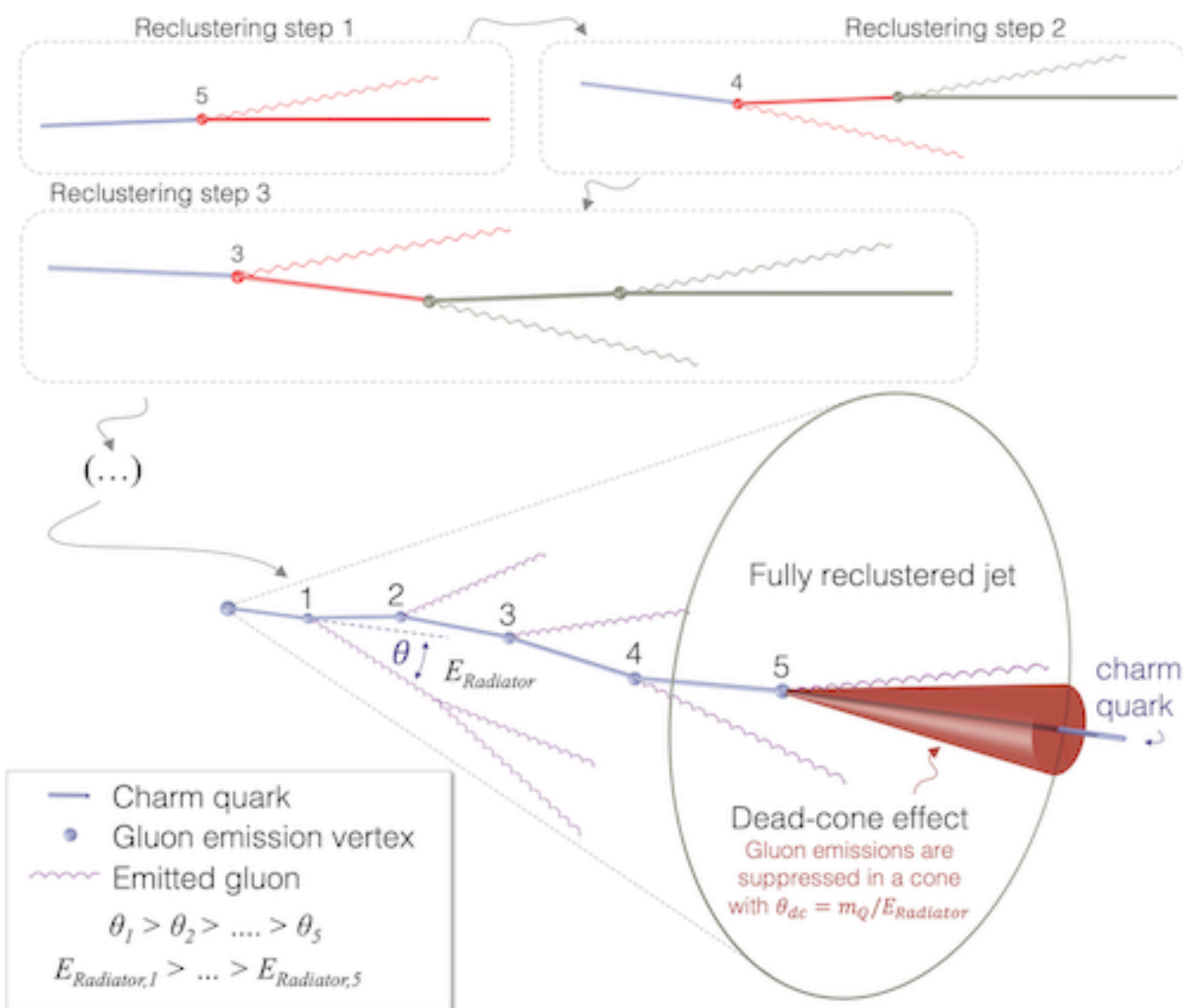
- Slope increases with N as predicted by the light-ray OPEs
- Non-perturbative effects expected to cancel in ratio
- Already at competing order of accuracy as the state-of-the-art calculation of other jet substructure
- Precision calculations of  $\alpha_s$

# beautiful and charming energy correlators



- What happens if we consider energy correlators between heavy meson and other particles in a heavy jet?

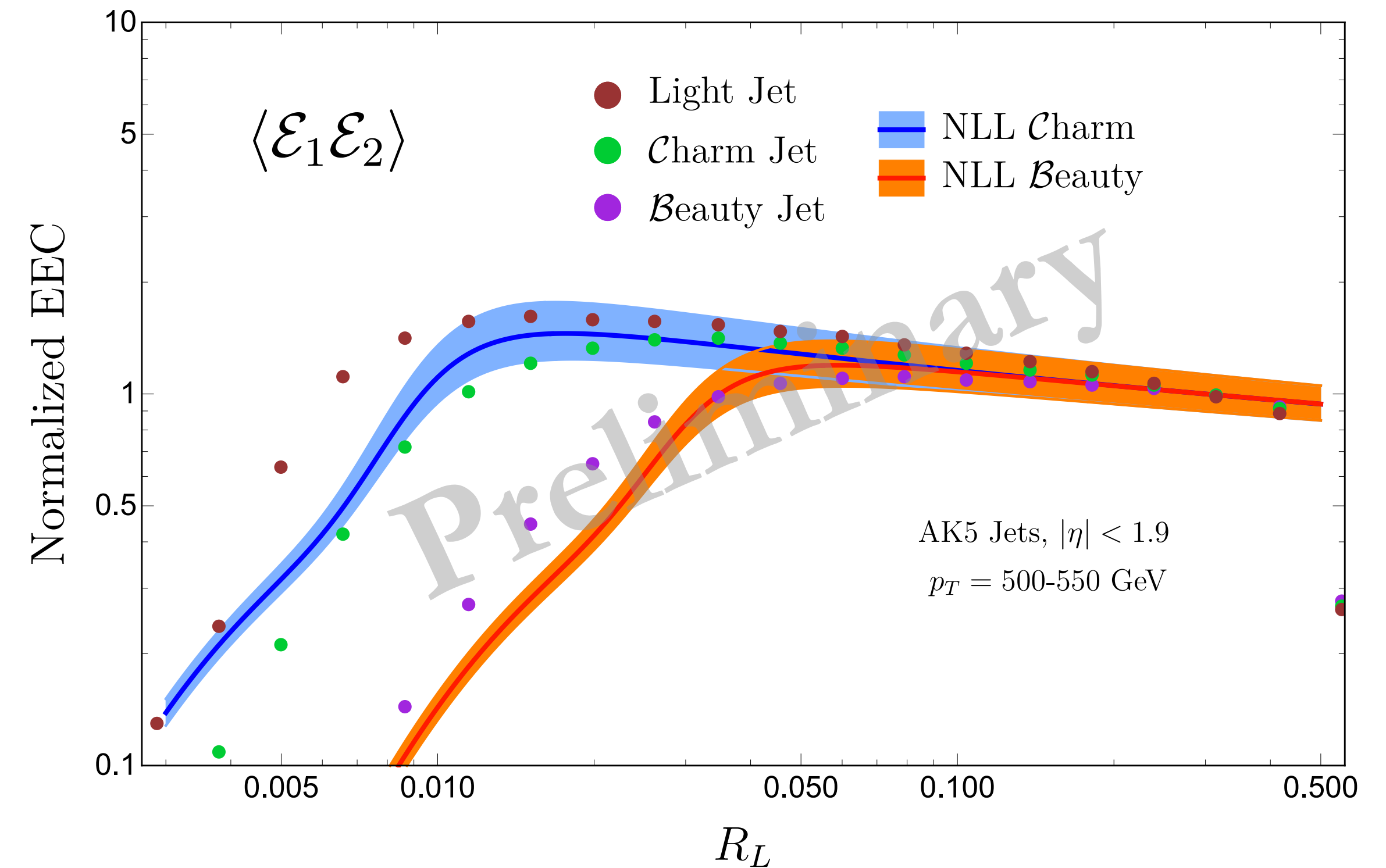
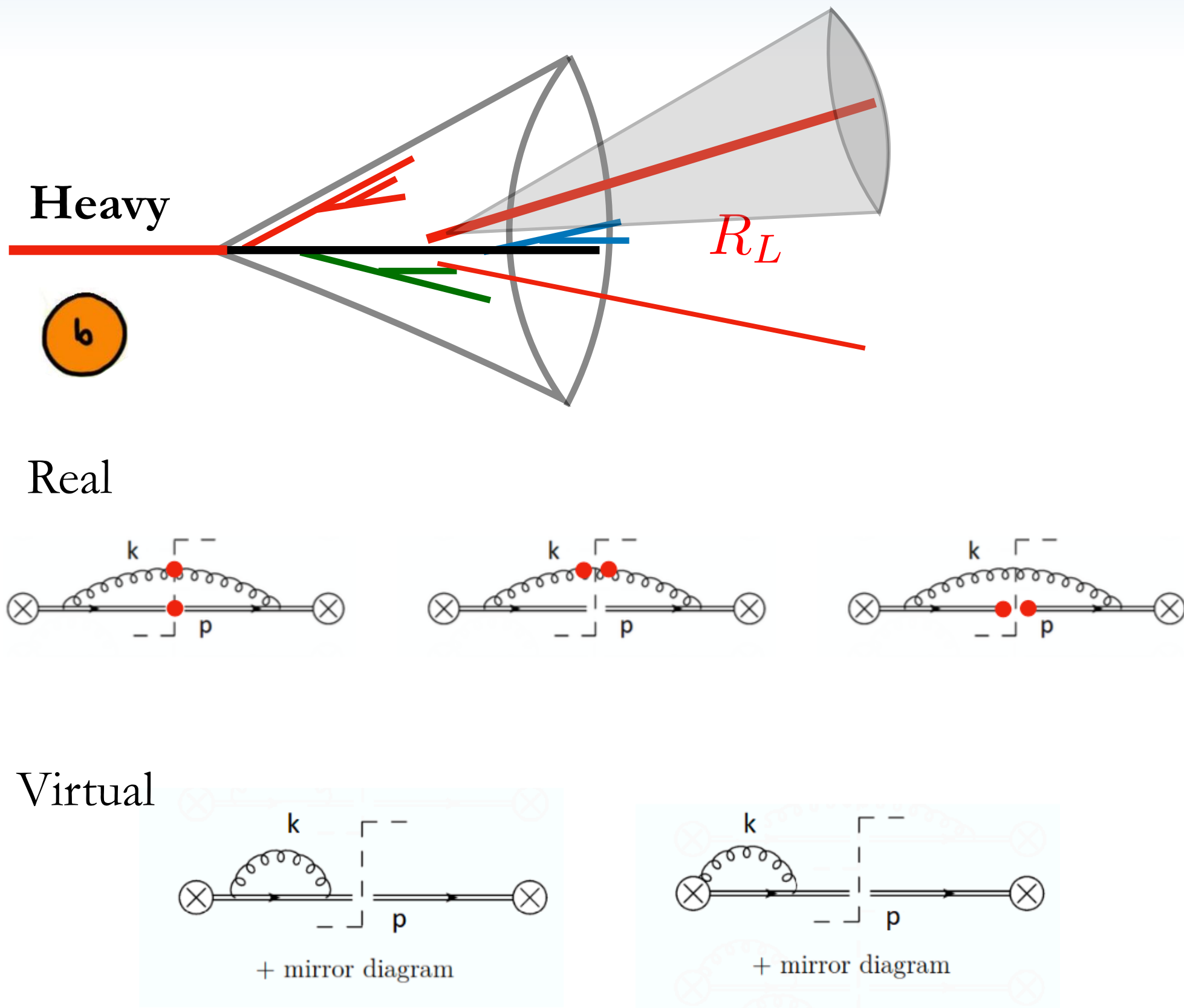
- Heavy quark suppresses gluon emission around the angular region  $\theta < \frac{M}{p_T}$   
**dead-cone**



- Recently, ALICE collaboration made a direct observation of the dead-cone effect  
*ALICE Collaboration '22 (Nature)*
- Sophisticated reclustering techniques.  
Can we observe the dead-cone effect statistically using energy correlators?

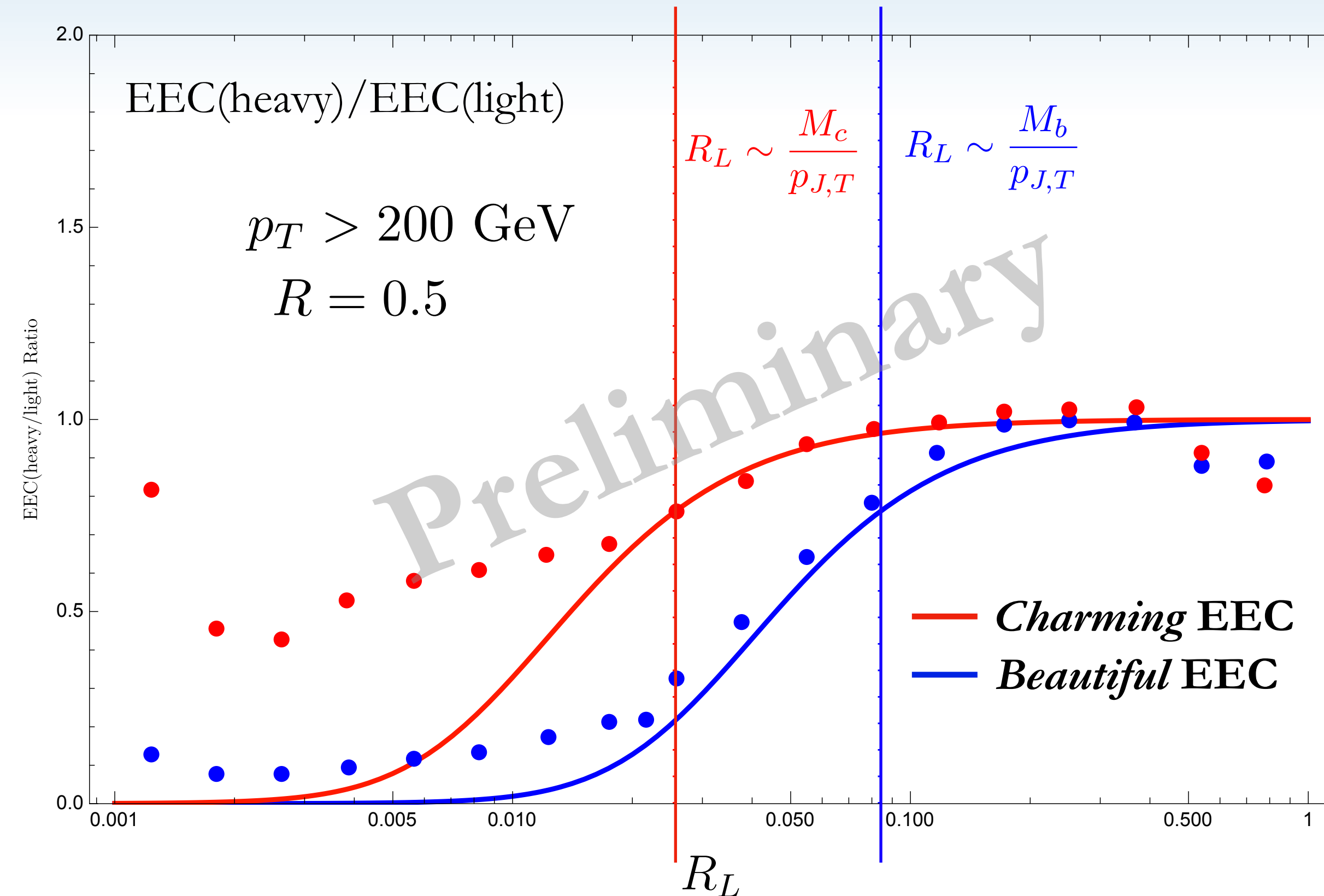
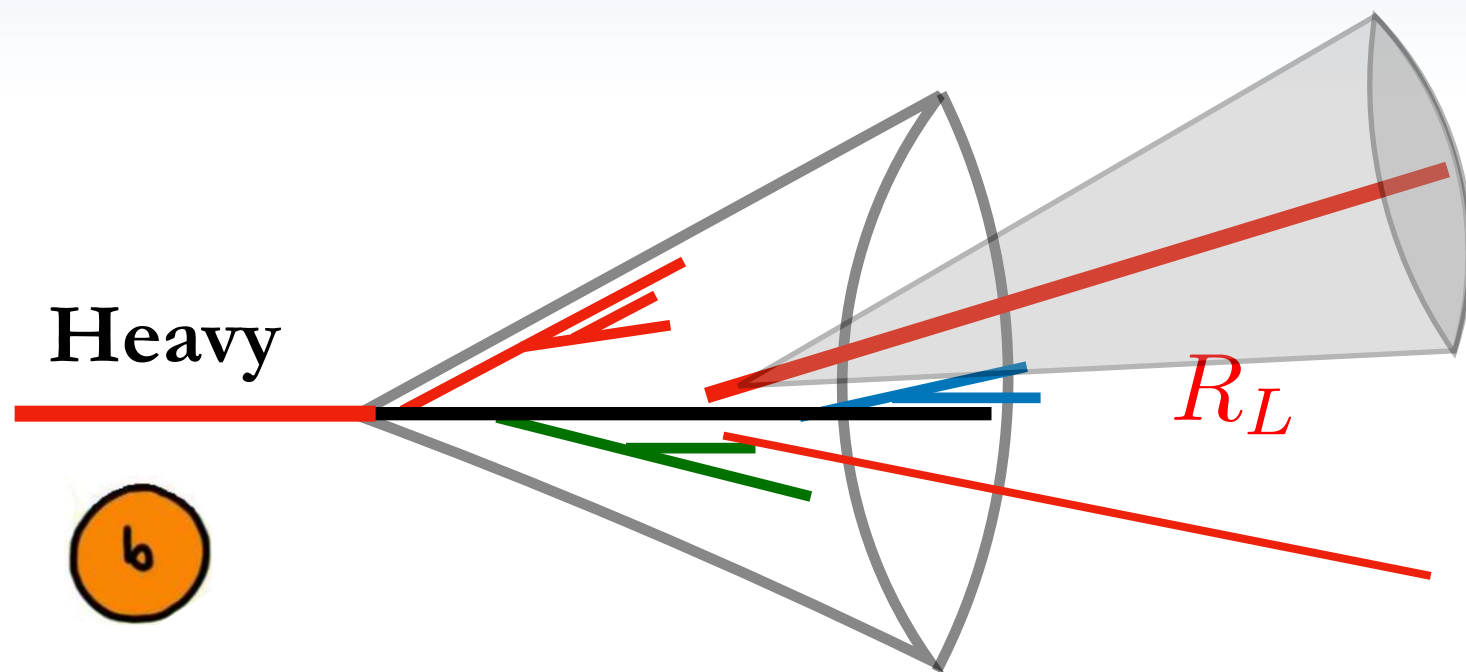
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- What happens if we consider energy correlators between heavy meson and other particles in a heavy jet?



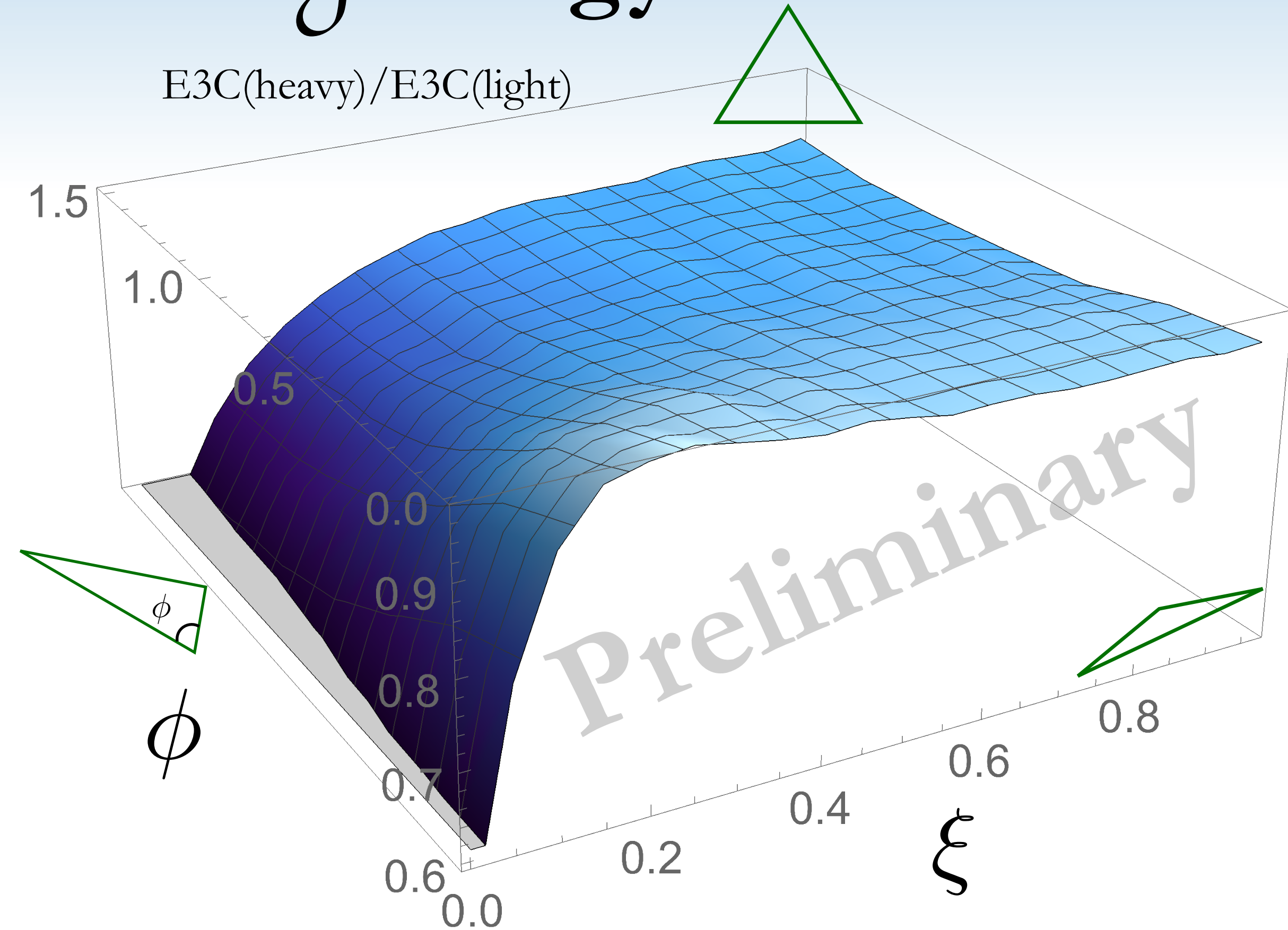
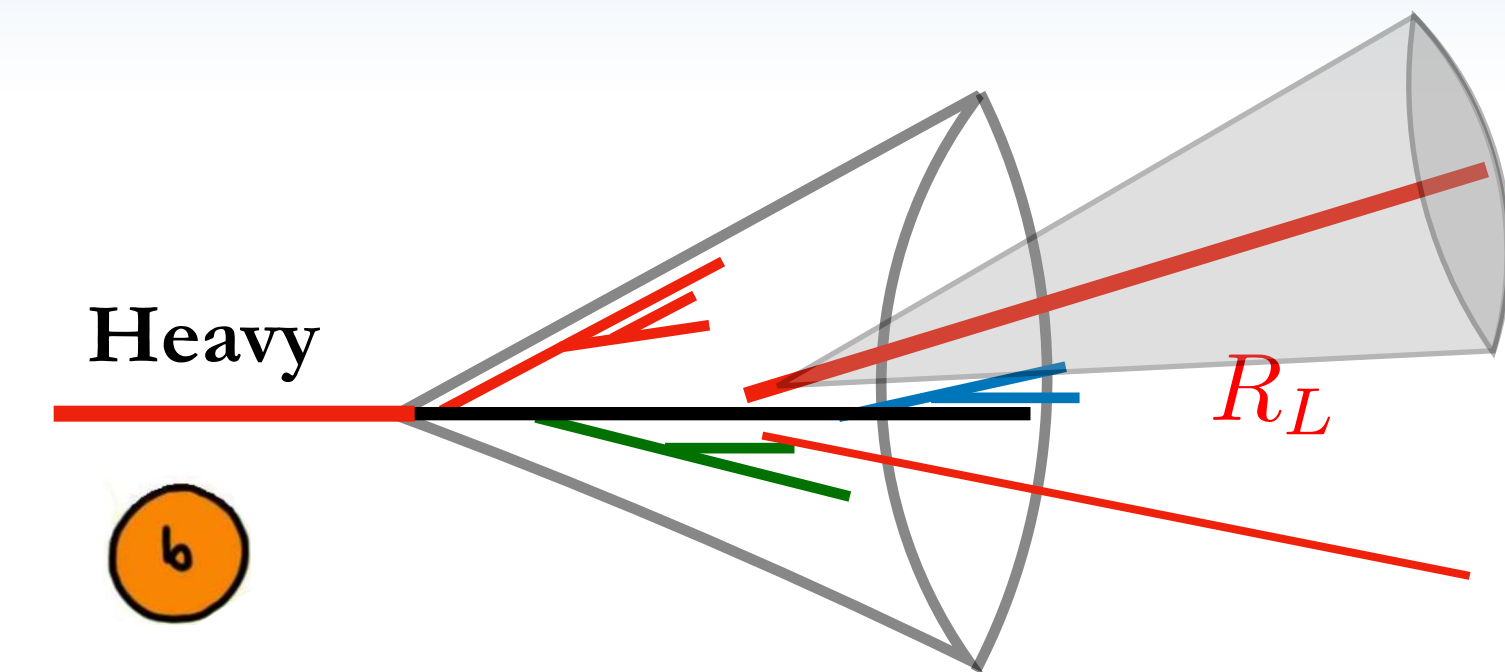
- **UV** poles match the light jet case as expected
- As the virtuality approaches heavy quark **IR** scale, we see a turning over.

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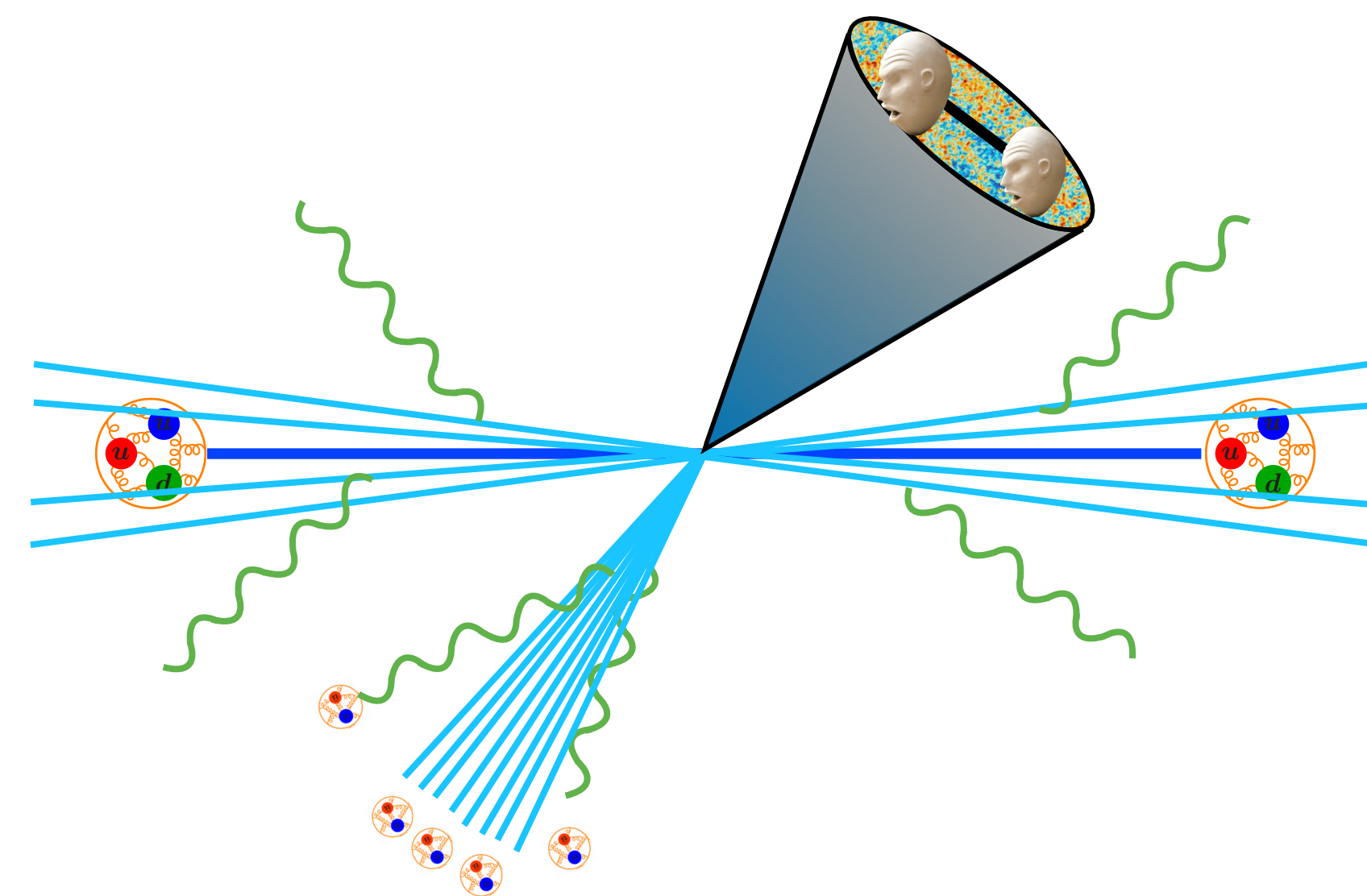
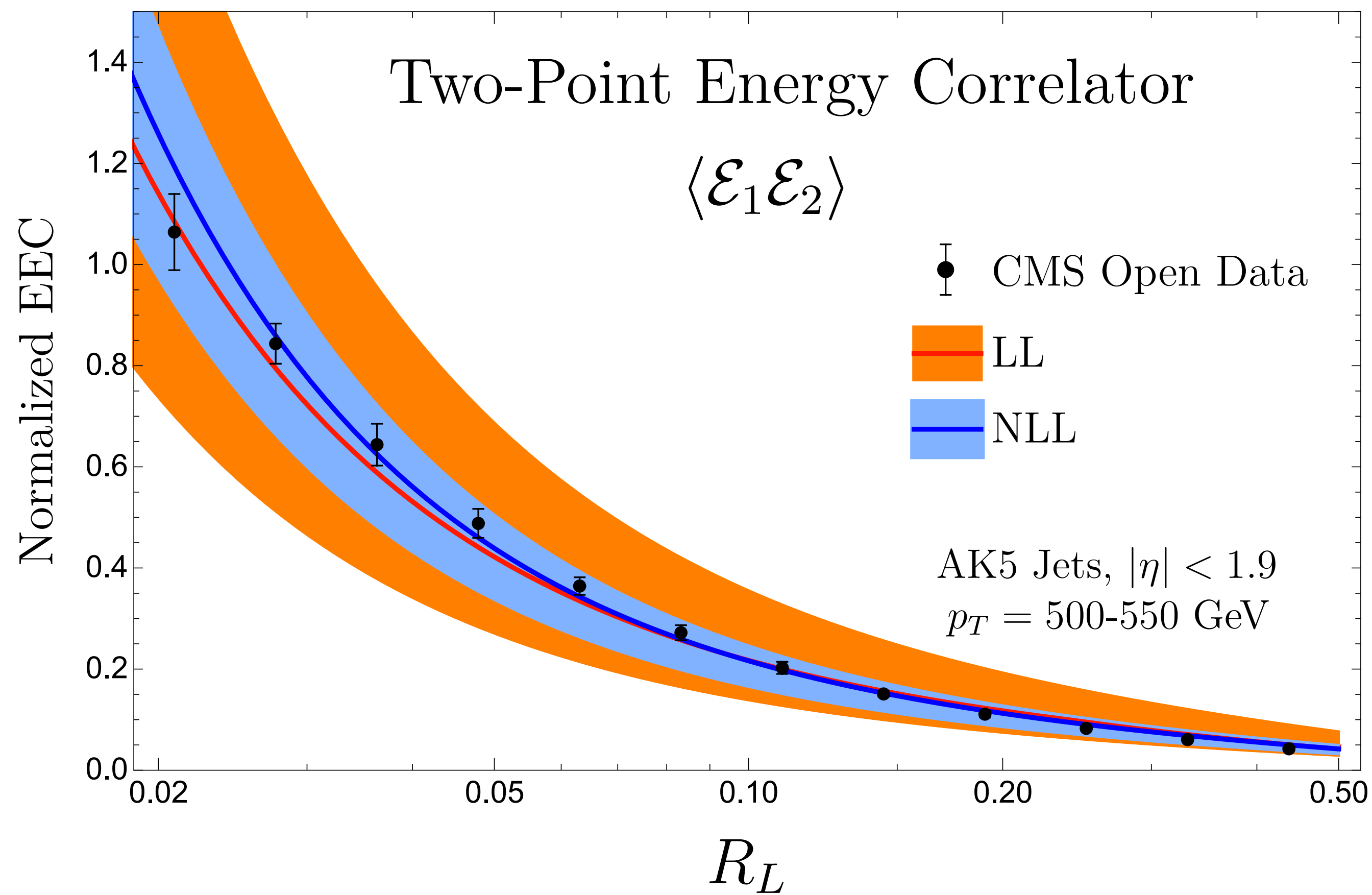
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# Venturing into precision calculations



# Outlook

Czakon, Generet, Mitov, Poncelet '21  
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NNLO semi-inclusive hard function ▲

NNLO PDFs ✓

NNPDFs, CTEQ, ...

$$\mathcal{G}_c^{\mathbf{N}\text{-proj}}(z, R_L, p_T R, \mu) = \sum_j \int_0^1 dx x^N \mathcal{J}_{ij}(z, x, p_T R, \mu) J_{\text{EEC}}^{\mathbf{N}\text{-proj}}(R_L, x, \mu)$$

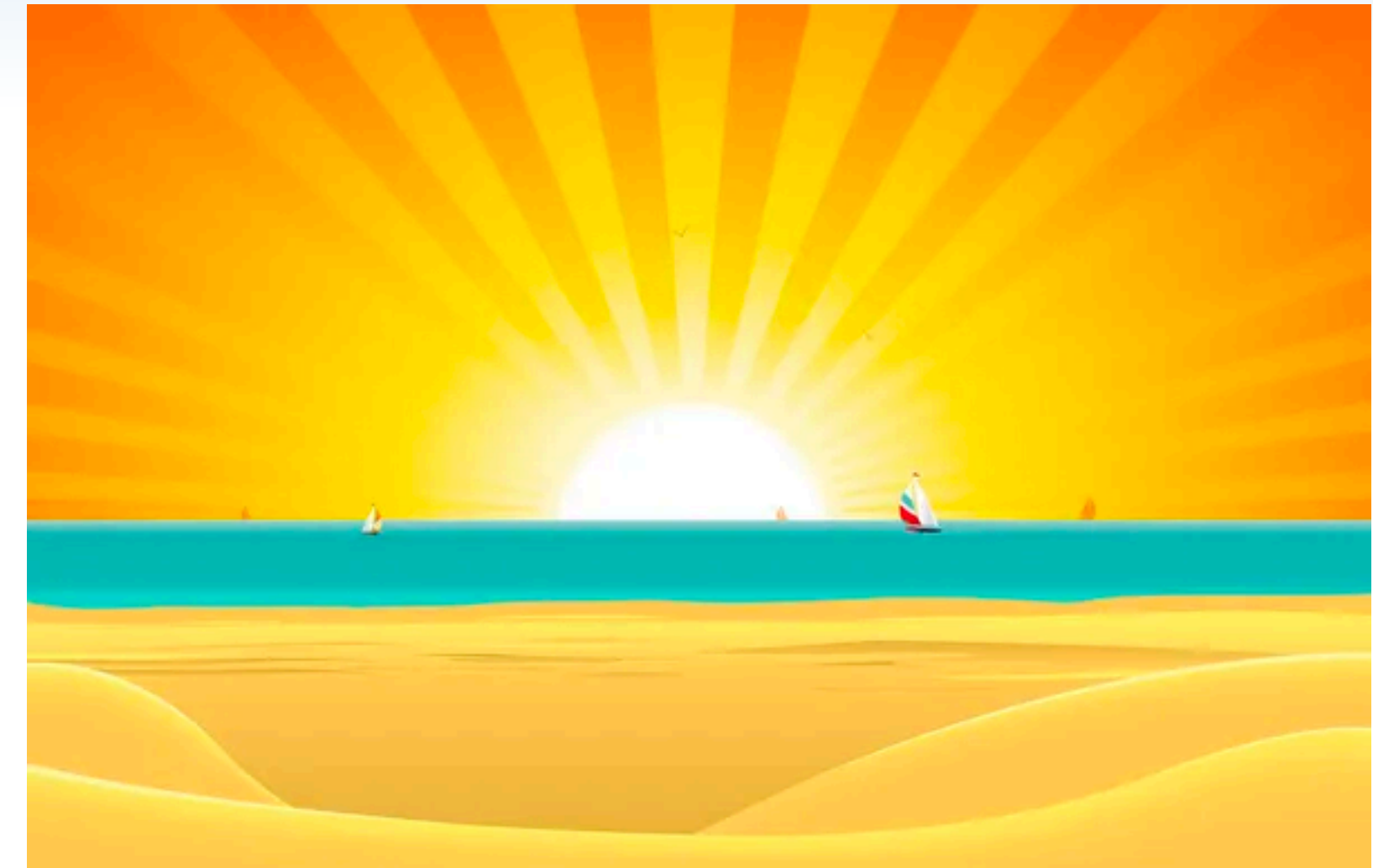
Matching coefficients ▲

Projected ENC jet function ✓✓

Partial results  
 KL, Liu, Moul, In progress

Available even for the track case!

Chen, Moul, Zhang, Zhu, '20  
 Li, Moul, van Velzen, Waalewijn, Zhu, '21  
 Jaarsma, Li, Moul, Waalewijn, Zhu, '22



- Unprecedented precision calculation of jet substructure on the horizon!

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## Energy correlators at the EIC?

- Universal hadronization effects at the perturbative region,
- Polarized beams,
- Tracking information,
- Heavy flavor jets, etc etc

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