

# Jet Theory Overview

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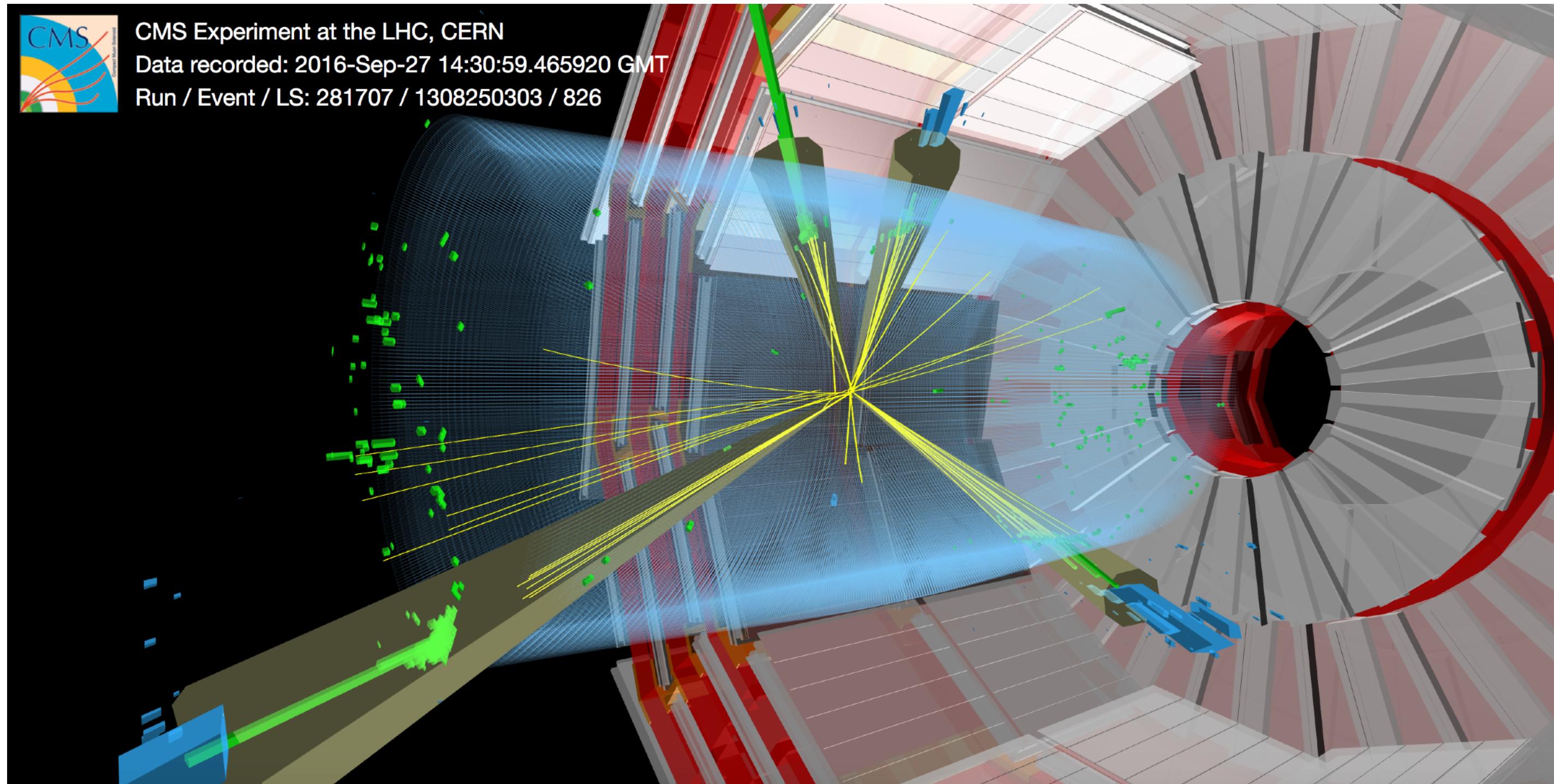
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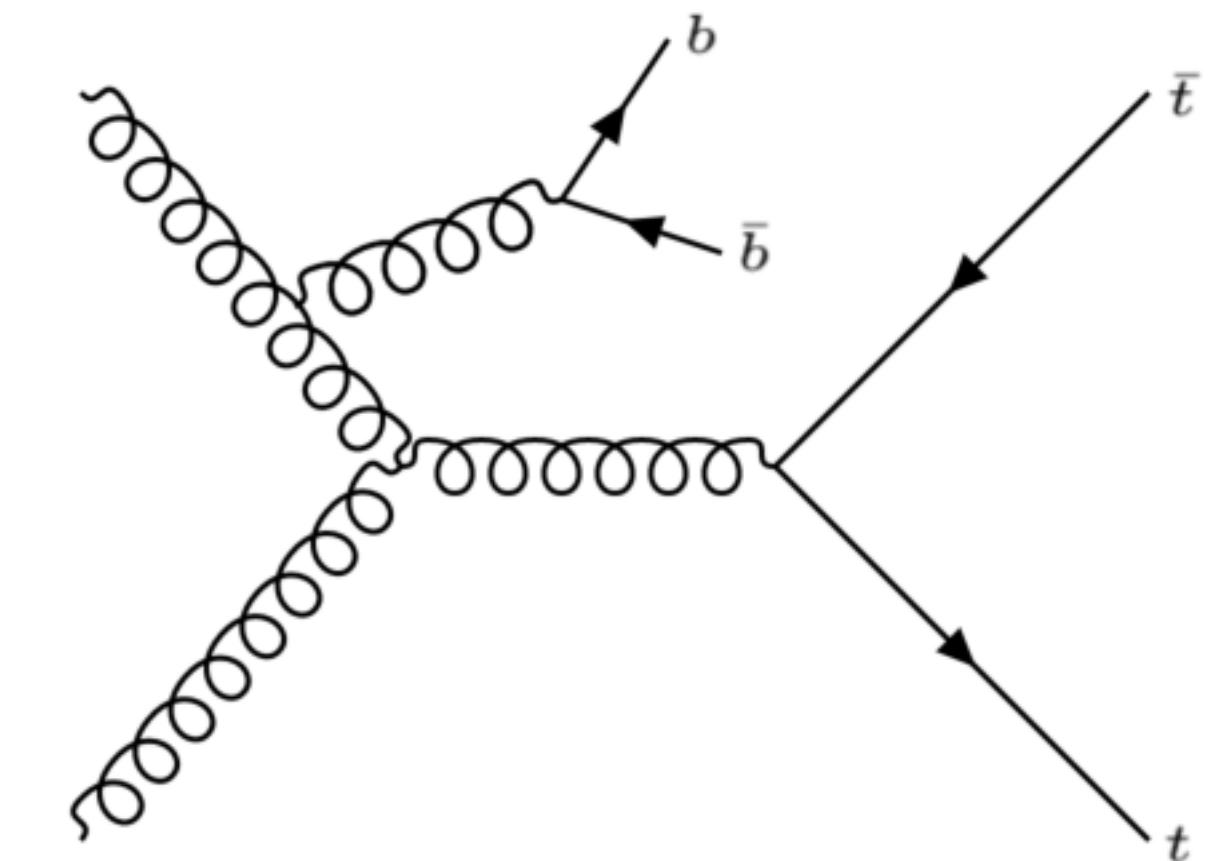
# Introduction

# Jets at Colliders

- QCD Jets are a direct manifestation of high energy quarks and gluons

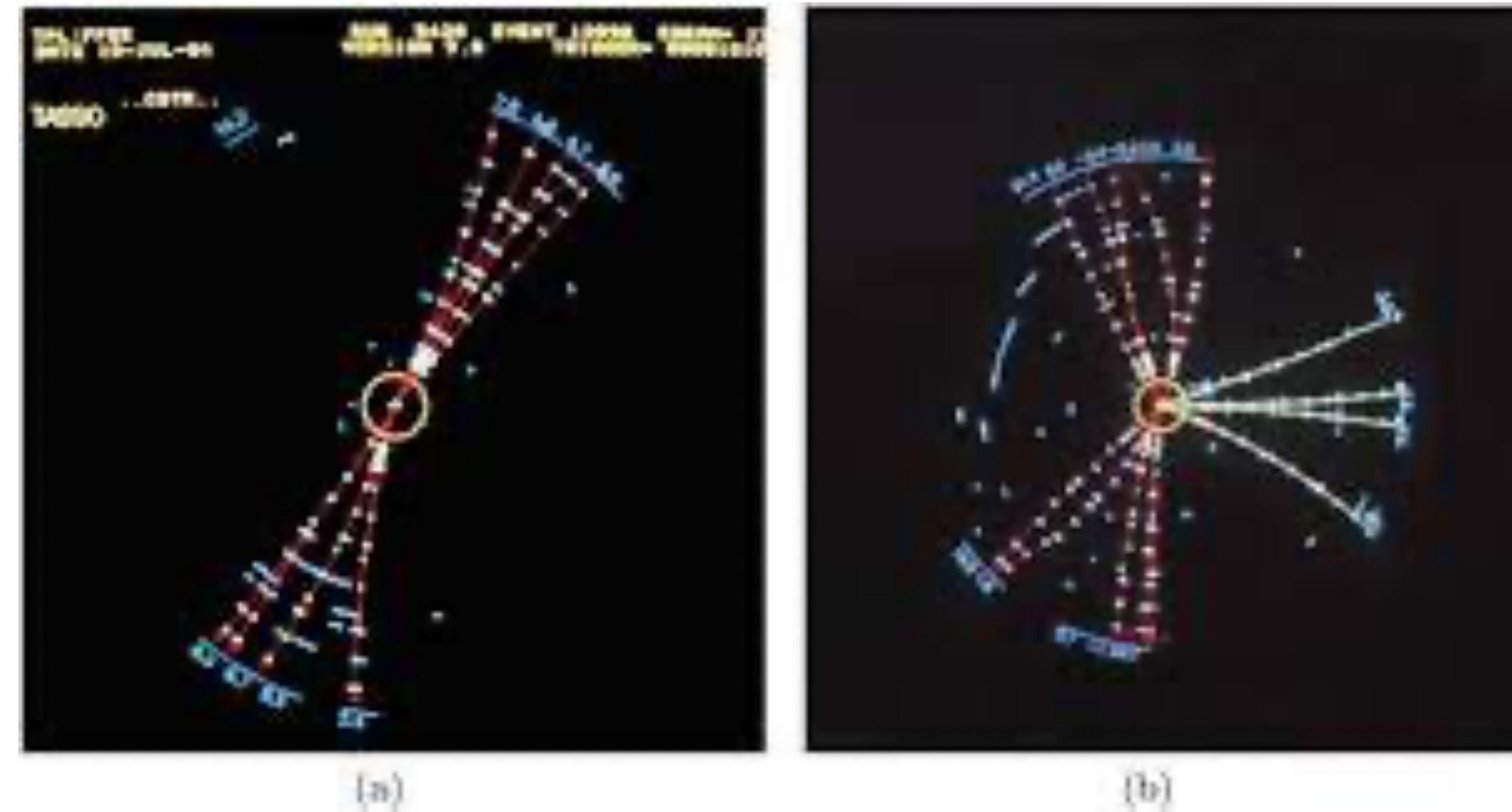


Multi-jet event at LHC

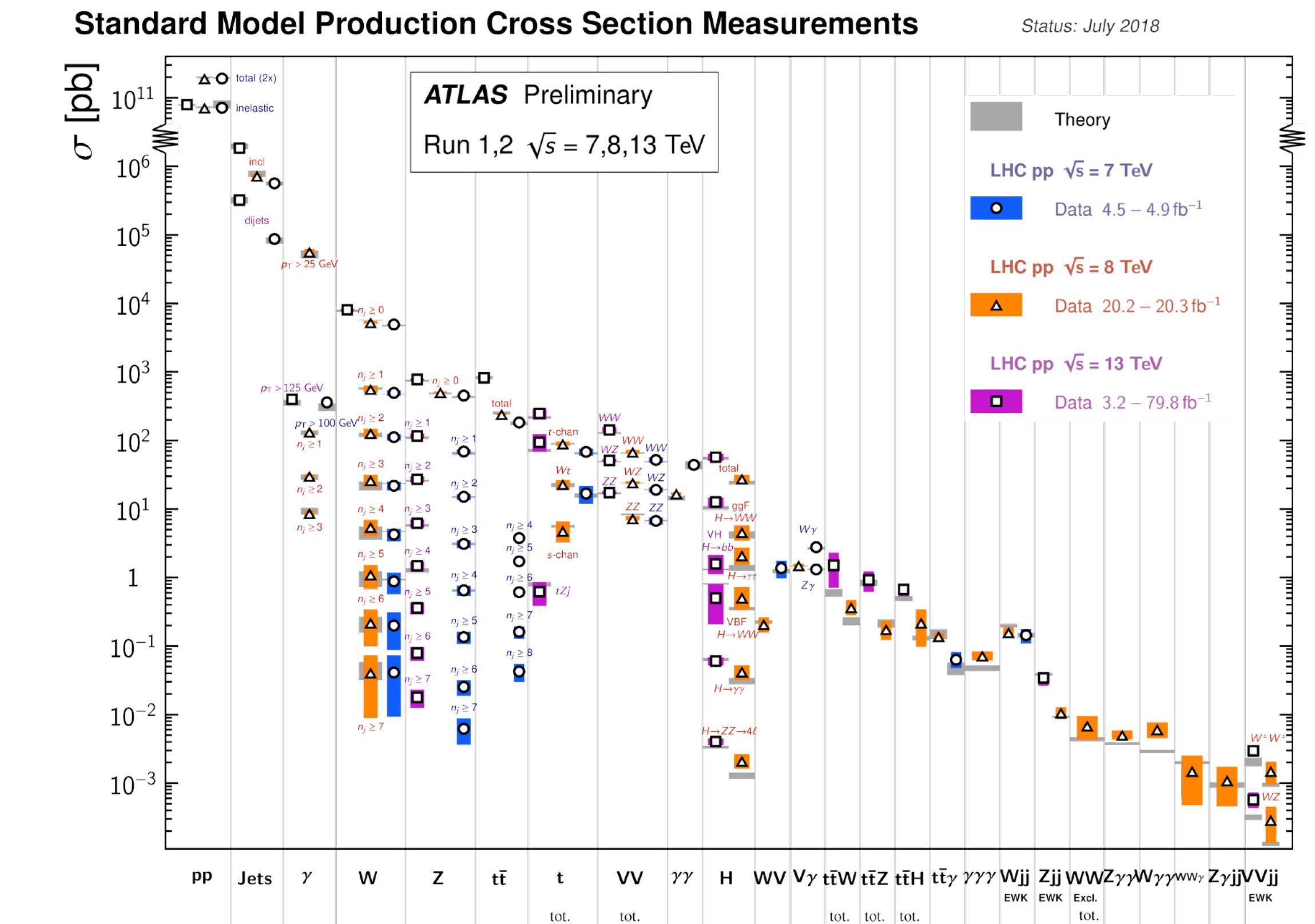


- Extensively studied: from the discovery of the gluon to precision tests of QCD

DESY 1979 - electron positron collisions



Early tests of QCD



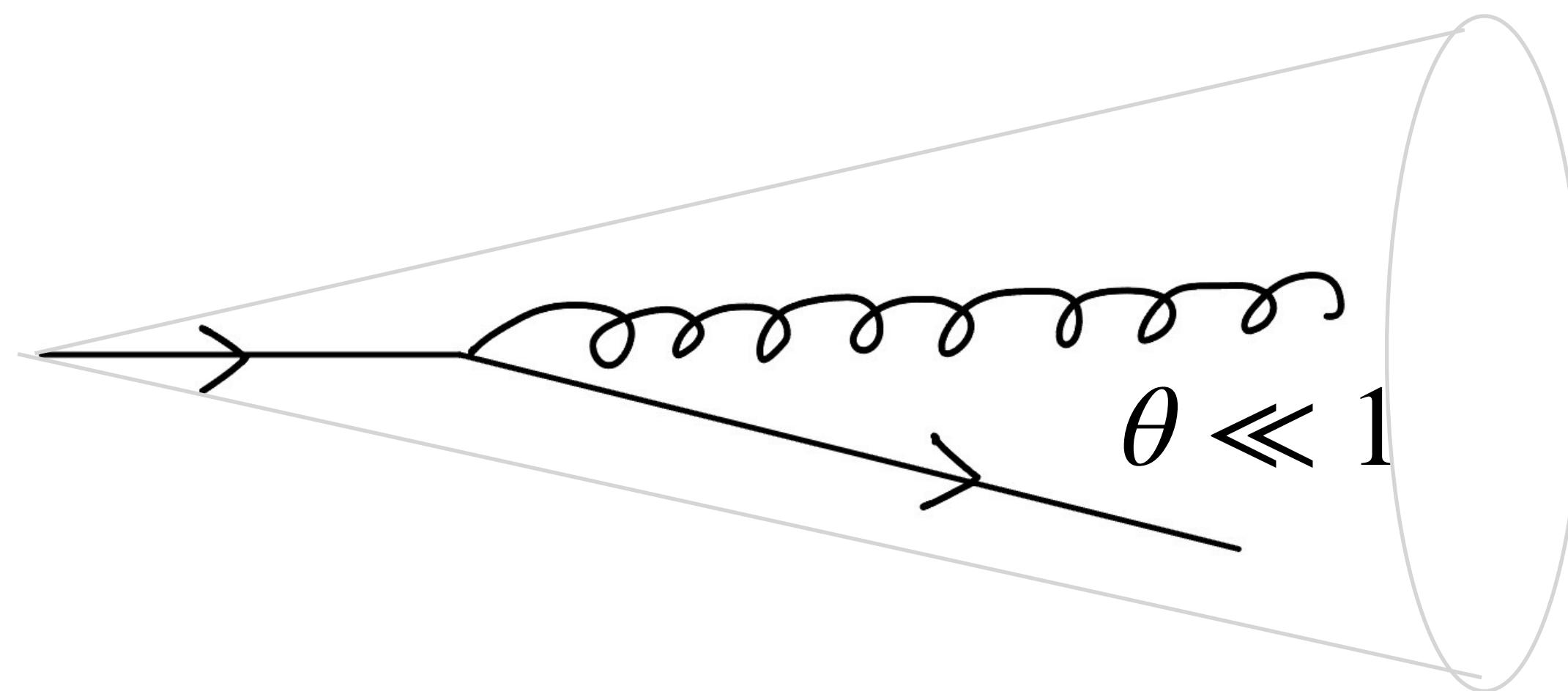
Today's theory accuracy  $\gtrsim 5\%$

- Paramount for Higgs discovery and new physics searches

Why do we observe jets?

# QCD radiation pattern

- Highly virtual quarks or gluons tend to **fragment** and radiate with **high probability**
- Collinear Radiation enhanced

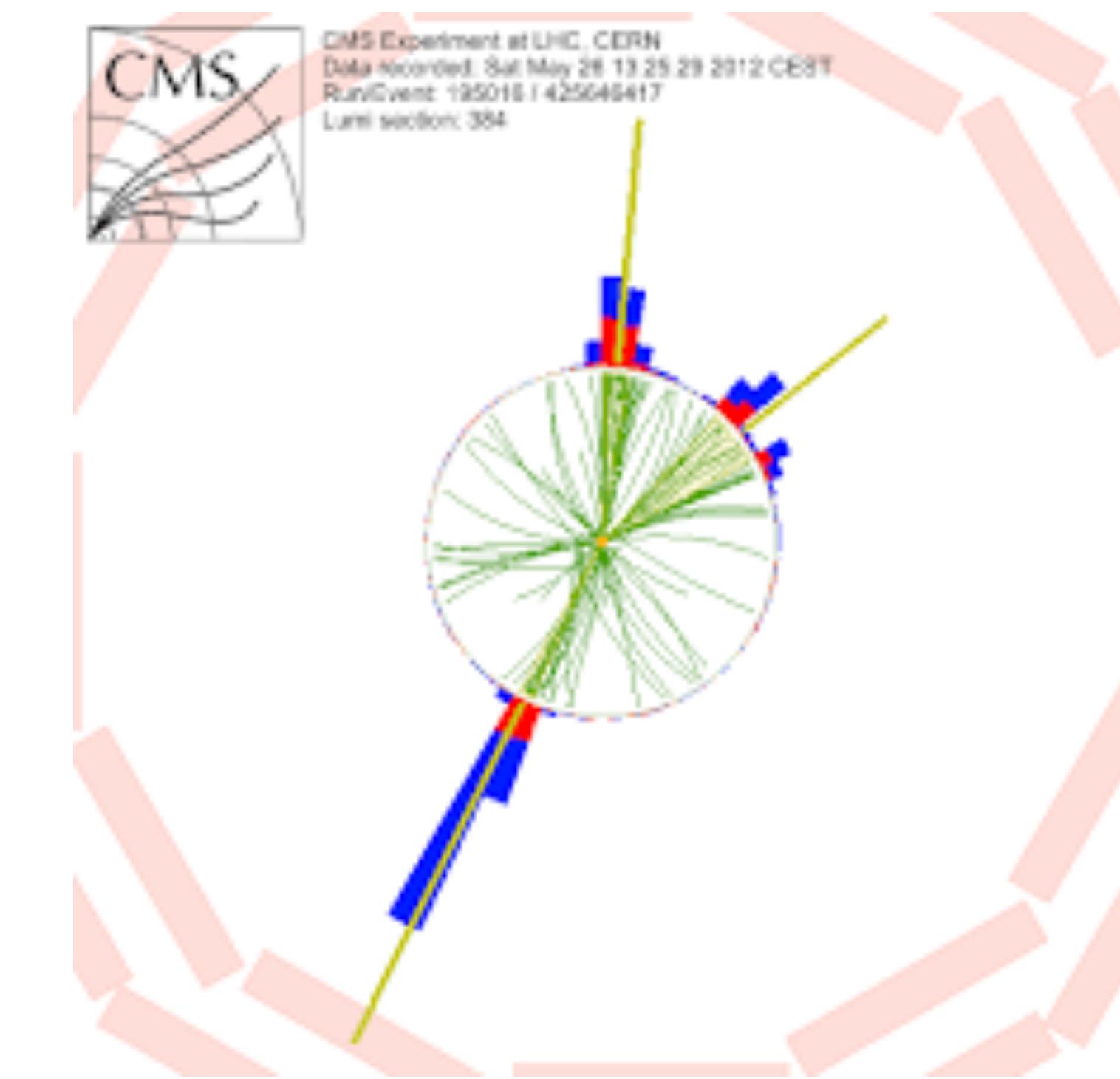
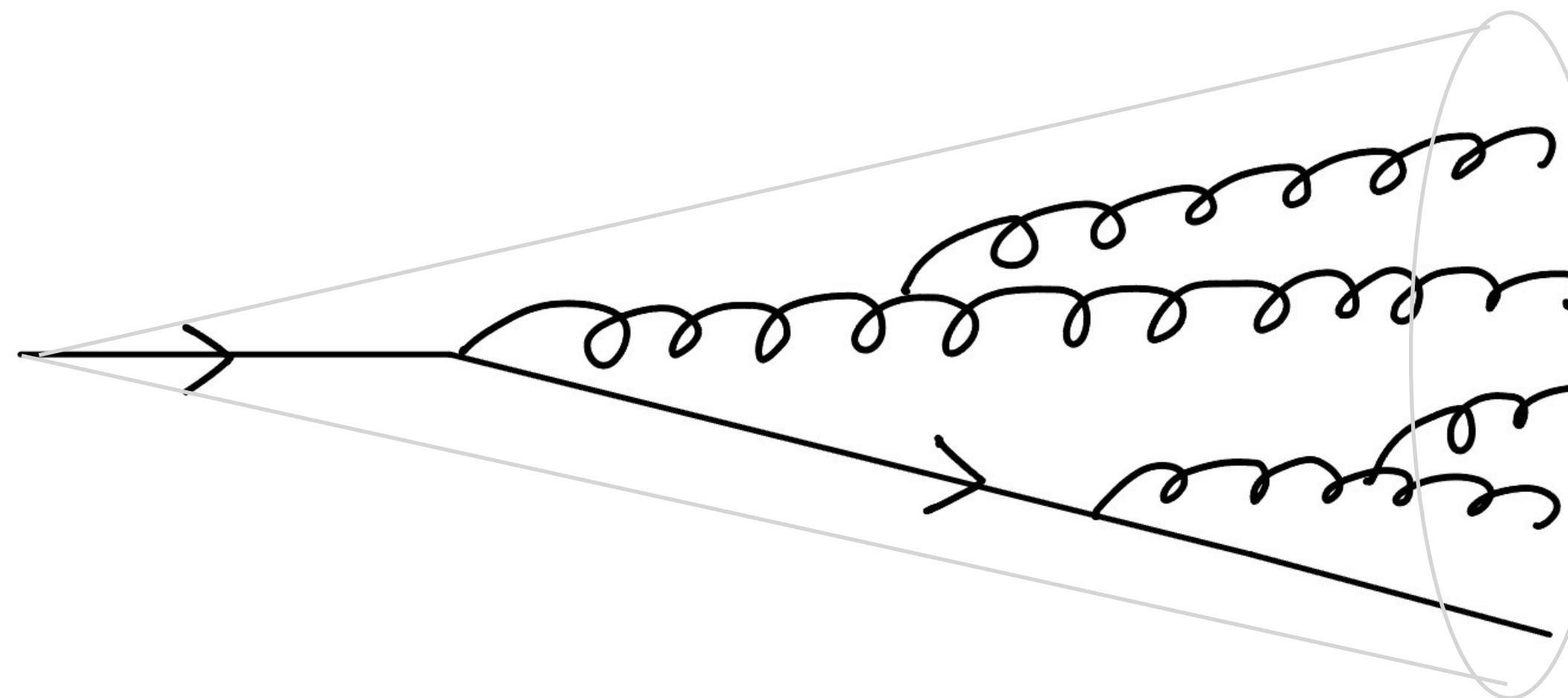


$$dP \sim \alpha_s \frac{d\theta}{\theta} \frac{d\omega}{\omega}$$

Large prob. when  $\theta \rightarrow 0$   
And  $\alpha_s \ll 1$

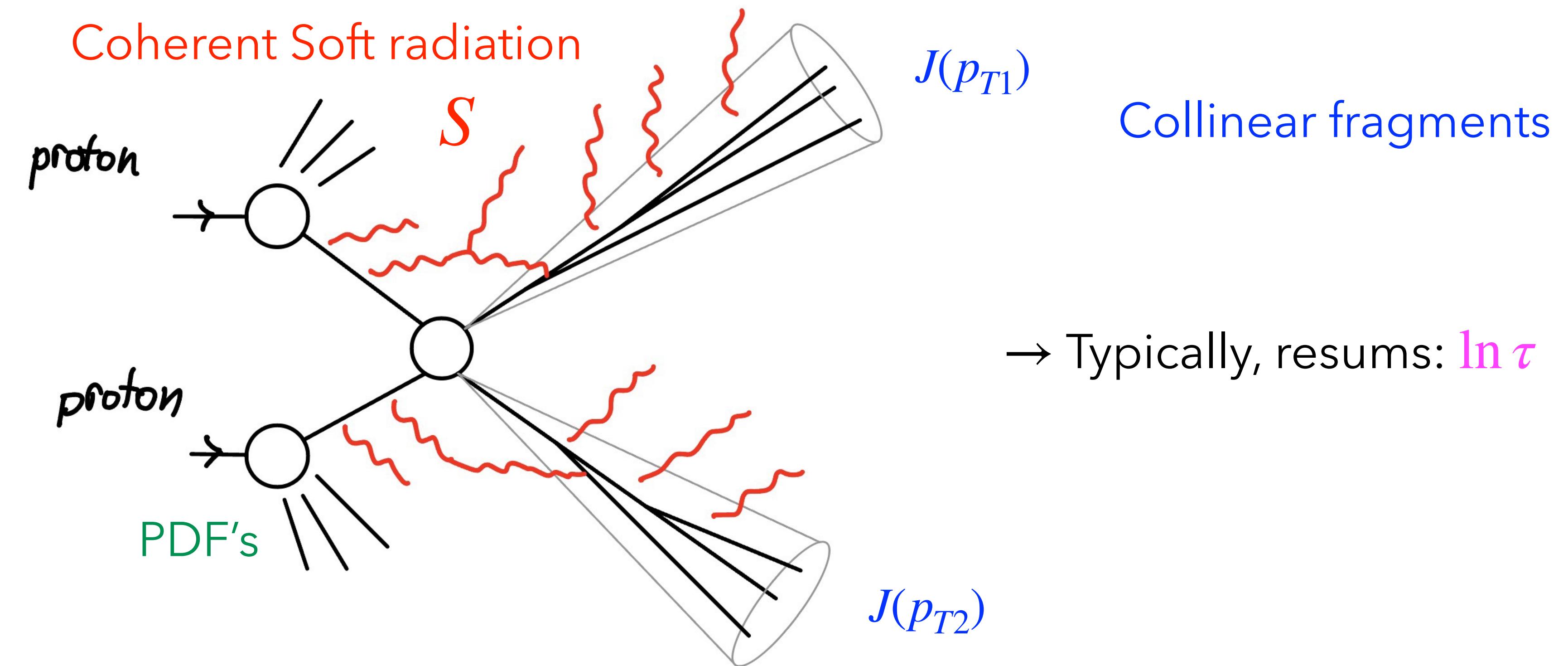
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# In a theorist's mind

- Powerful organizational tools: Factorization theorems and resummation



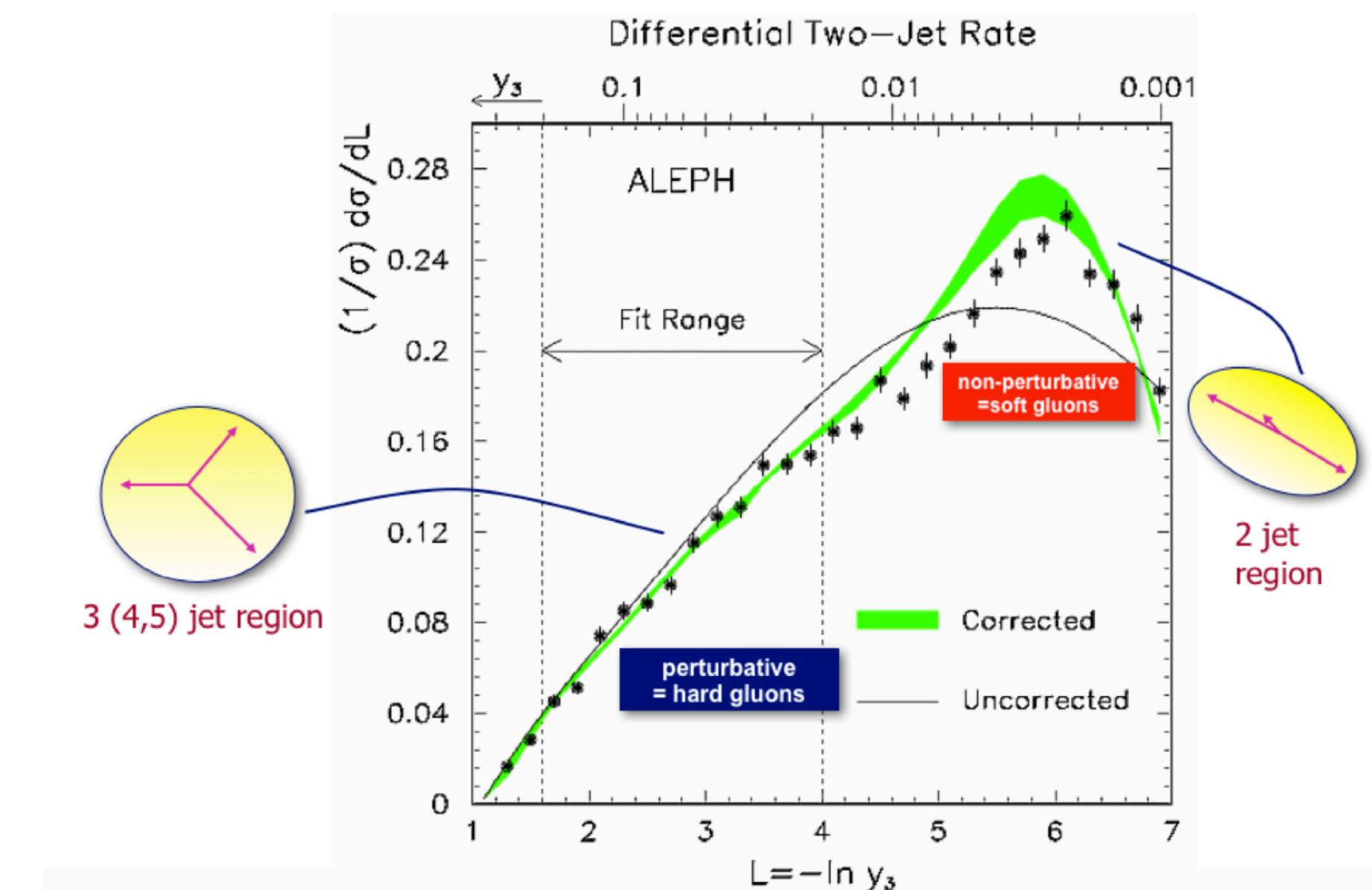
$$\frac{d\sigma}{dp_{T1} dp_{T2} d\tau} \equiv xf(x_1) xf(x_2) \otimes H(\mu^2) \otimes S \otimes J(p_1) J(p_2) \delta\left(\tau - \sum_{i \in \Omega} p_i\right)$$

# A rich family of observables

## ↪ Event Shapes: 1970-80's

- Characterize the shape of the event
- Thrust (jettiness), sphericity, Heavy jet mass, Jet broadening, EEC

$$T = \max_{\vec{n}} \frac{\sum_i |\vec{p}_i \cdot \vec{n}|}{\sum_i |\vec{p}_i|}$$

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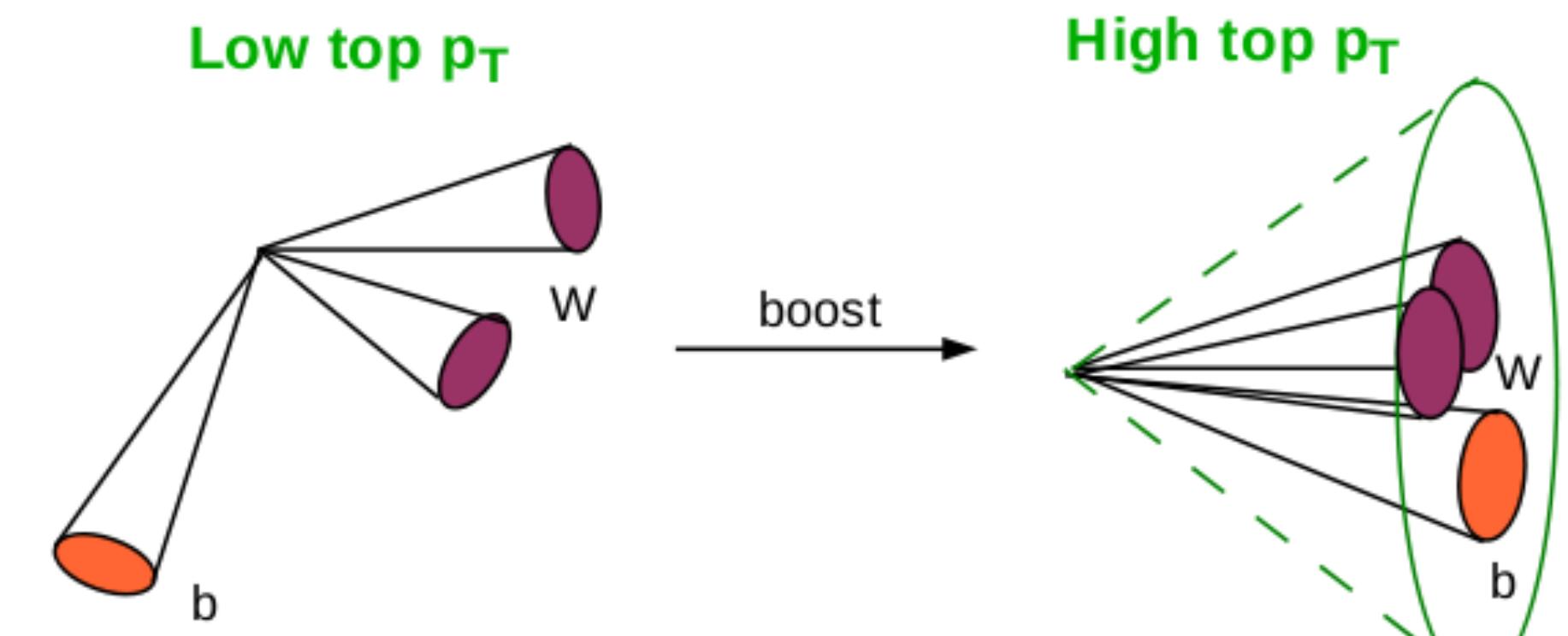
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## ↪ Jet substructure: 2010-20's

- Looks inside the jet
- Boosted topologies
- Pruning, Trimming, Grooming, SoftDrop
- N-subjetiness, jet angularities, jet mass, ...

$$\lambda_{\alpha}^{\kappa} = \sum_{i \in \text{jet}} \left( \frac{p_{T,i}}{\sum_{j \in \text{jet}} p_{T,j}} \right)^{\kappa} \left( \frac{\Delta_i}{R_0} \right)^{\alpha}$$



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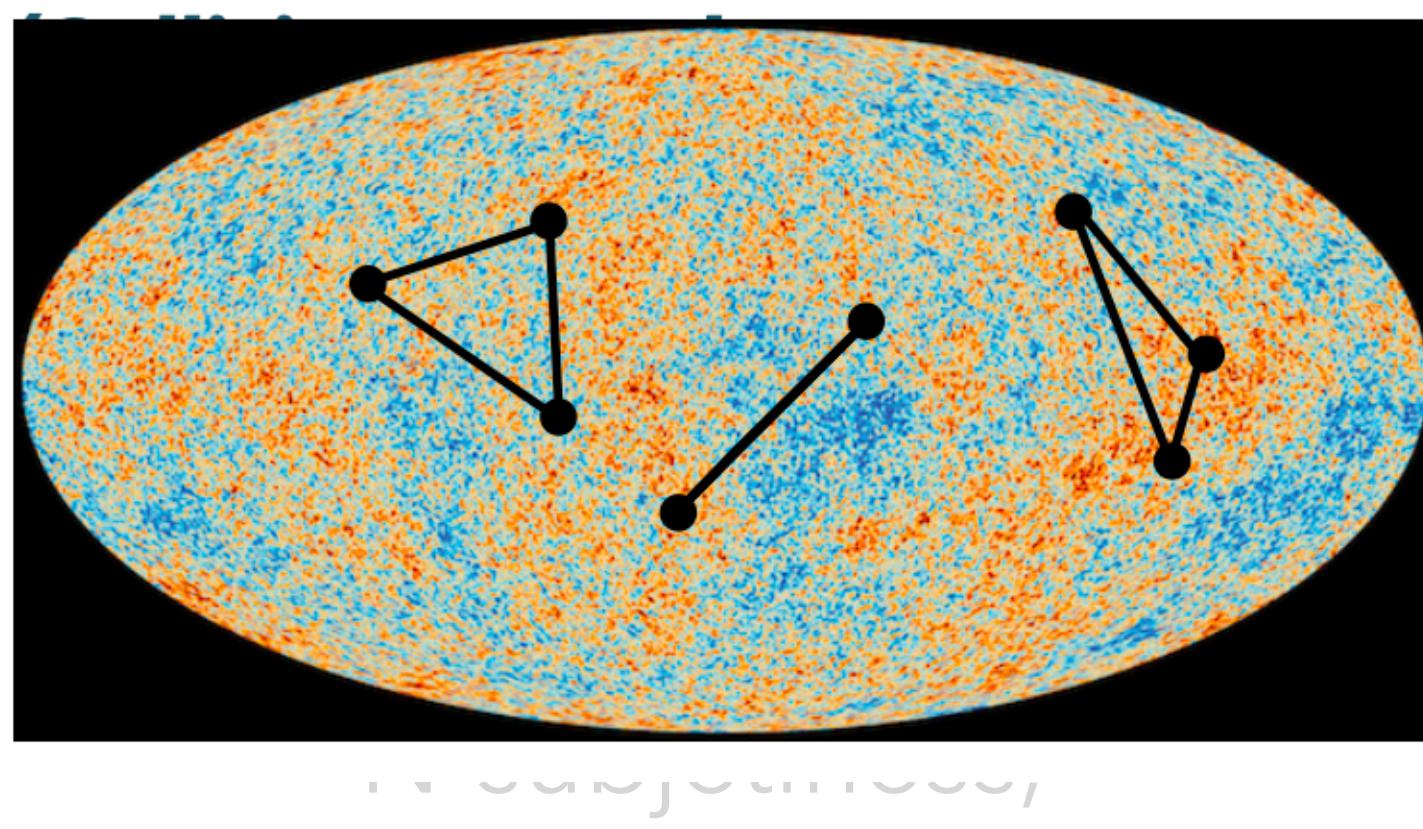
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↪ Energy-Energy correlators: 2020's

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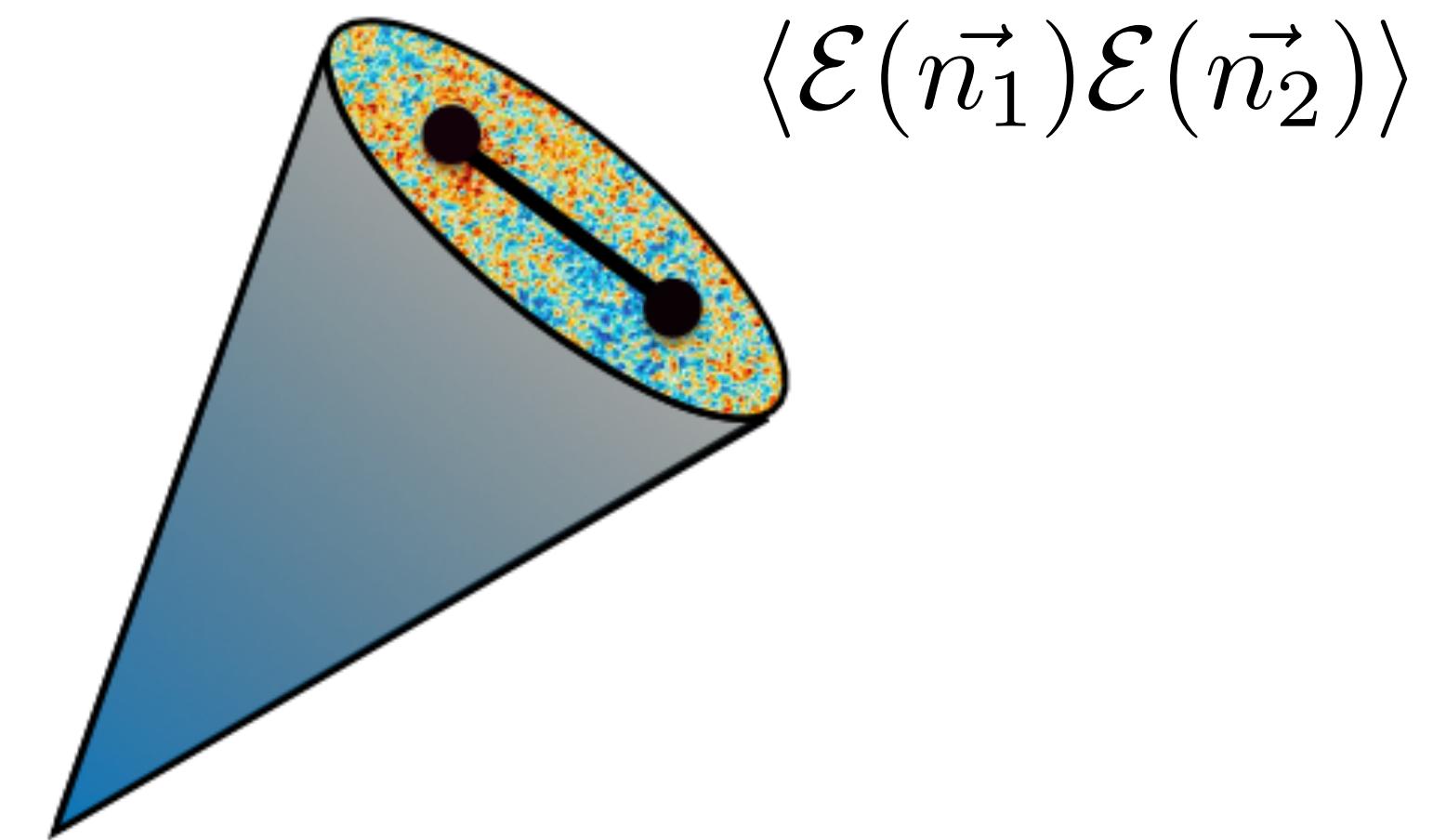
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2010-20's



coming, Softdrop



↪ Energy-Energy correlators: 2020's

$$\langle \mathcal{E}(n_1) \mathcal{E}(n_2) \cdots \mathcal{E}(n_k) \rangle$$

Mesures energy flux of hadrons and their angular correlations

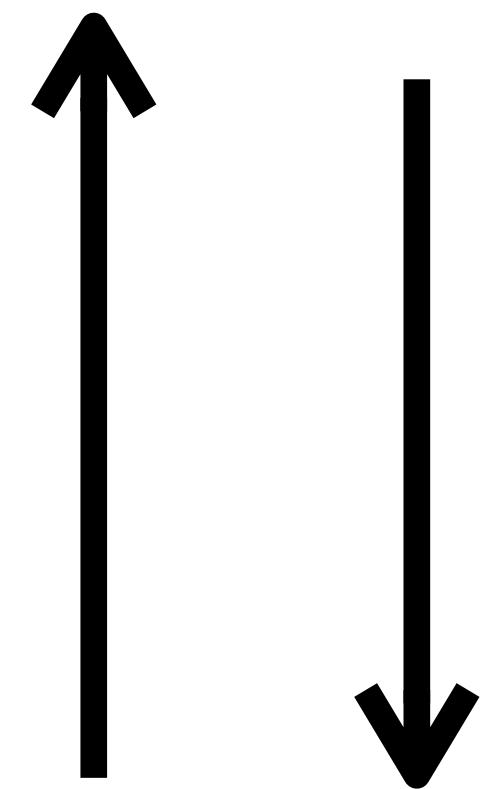
# Two schools, two philosophies

Bottom up (traditional)  
1970's - present

Direct computation of observables  
order by order in perturbation  
theory: [resum perturbative series  
into factorized functions](#)

Top down (modern)  
2000's - present

Derive an all order factorization  
theorems in [soft-collinear effective  
field theory \(SCET\)](#) then compute  
each factor in perturbation theory



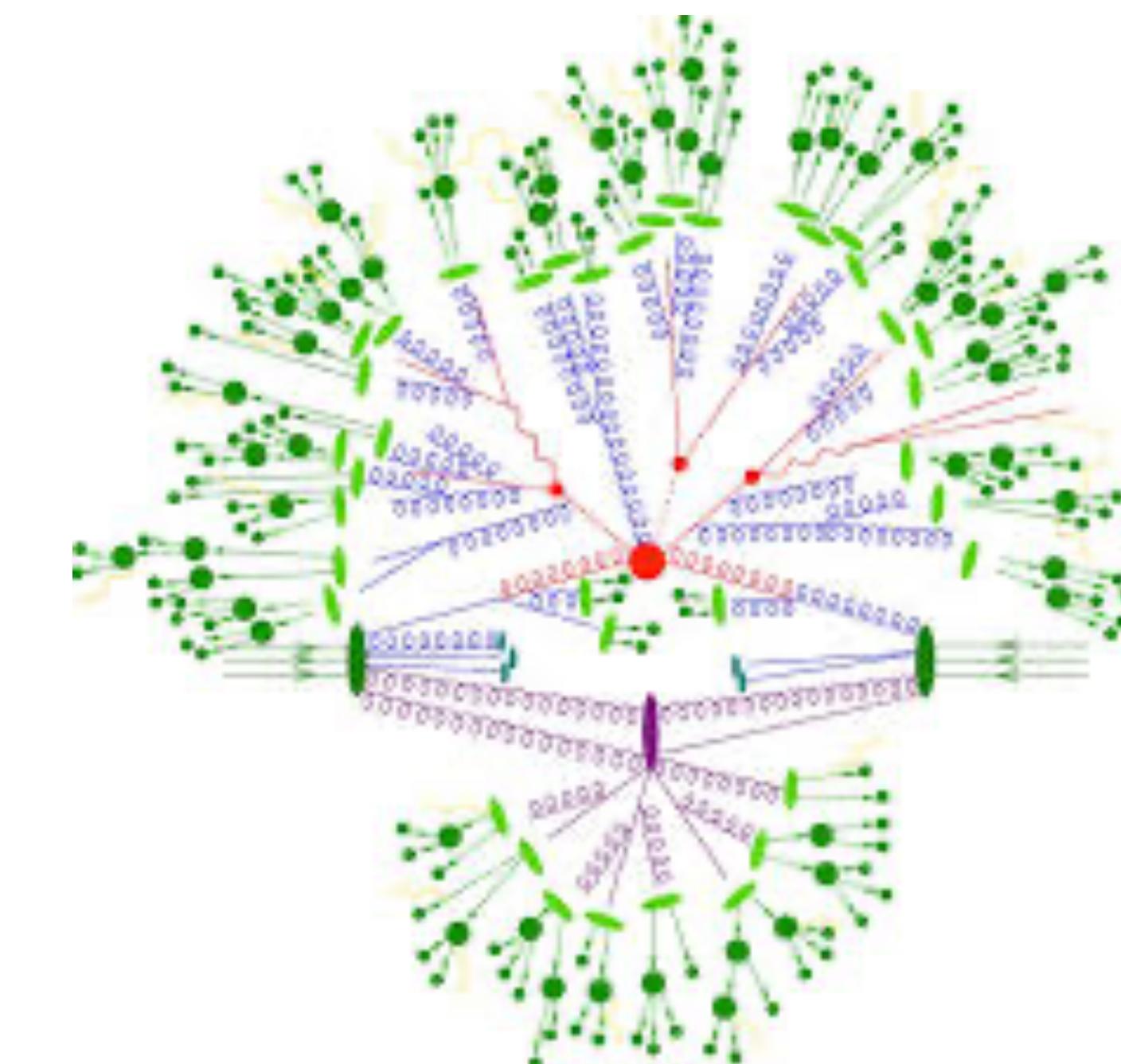
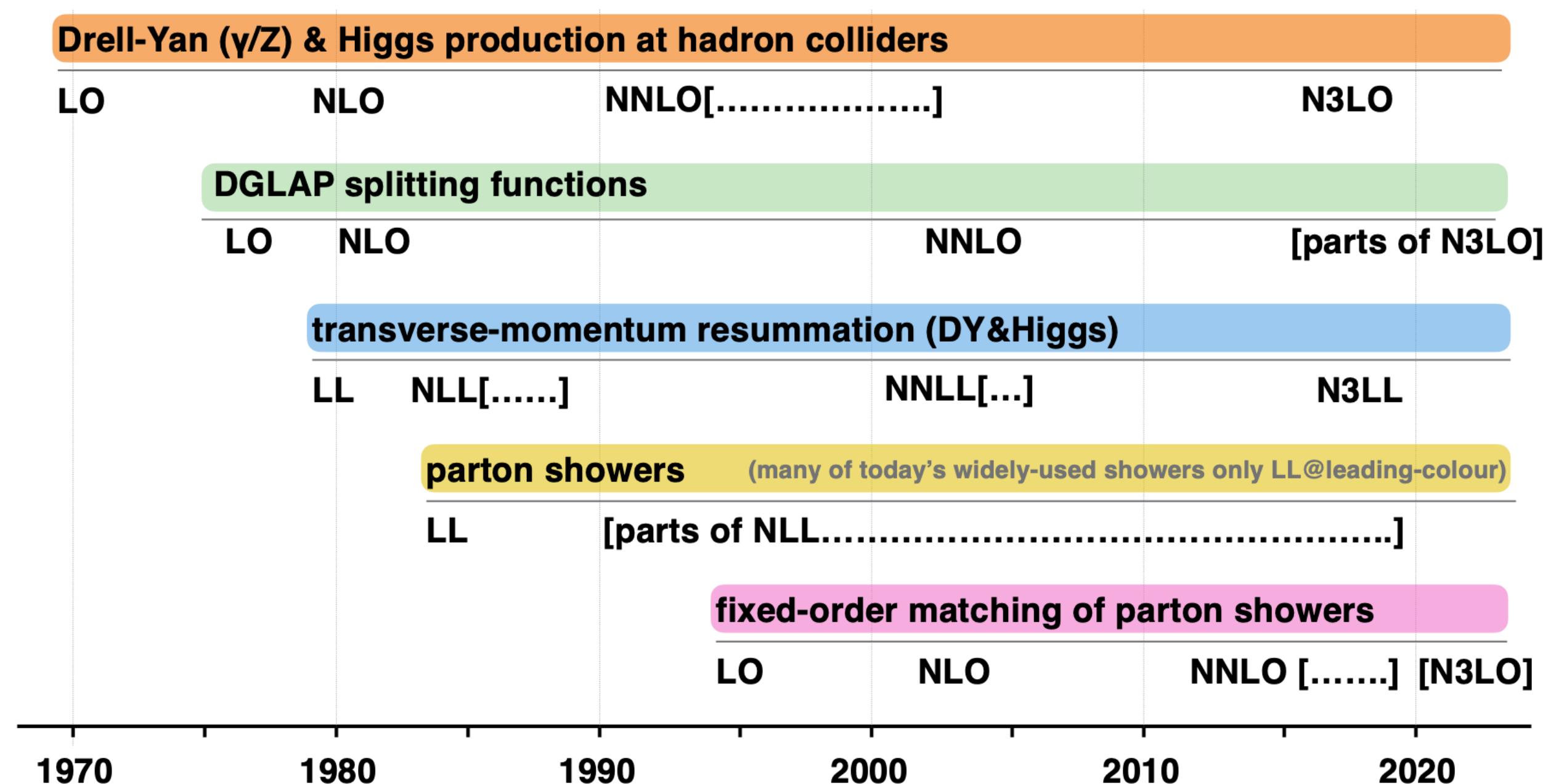
[Sterman, Collins, Soper, Marchesini, Basseto,  
Dokshitzer, Catani, Ciafaloni, Salam,...]

[Bauer, Fleming, Pirjol, Stewart, Becher, Waalewijn,  
Rothstein, Neill,...]

# Precision QCD and MC event generators

Monte Carlo event generators essential for data analysis at colliders and complement analytic approaches

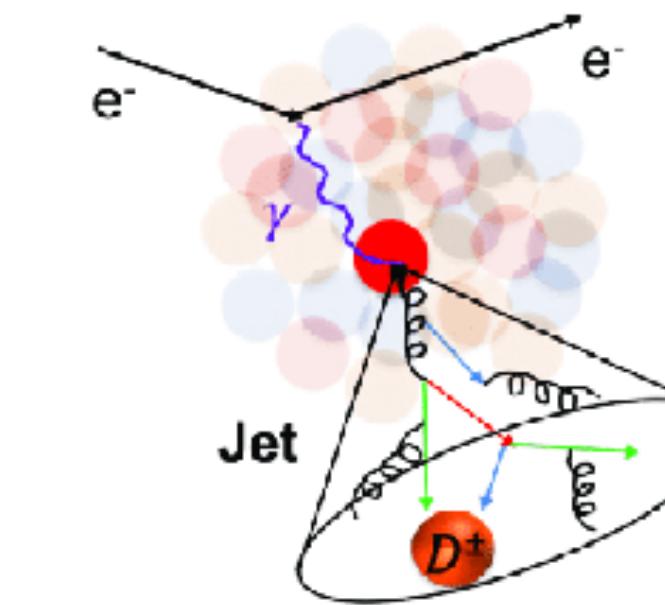
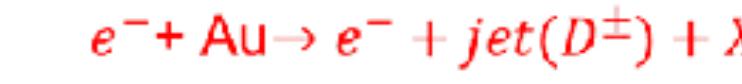
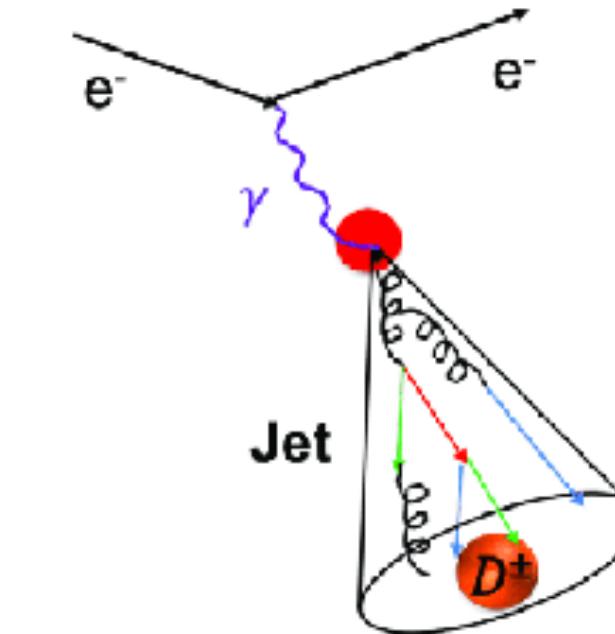
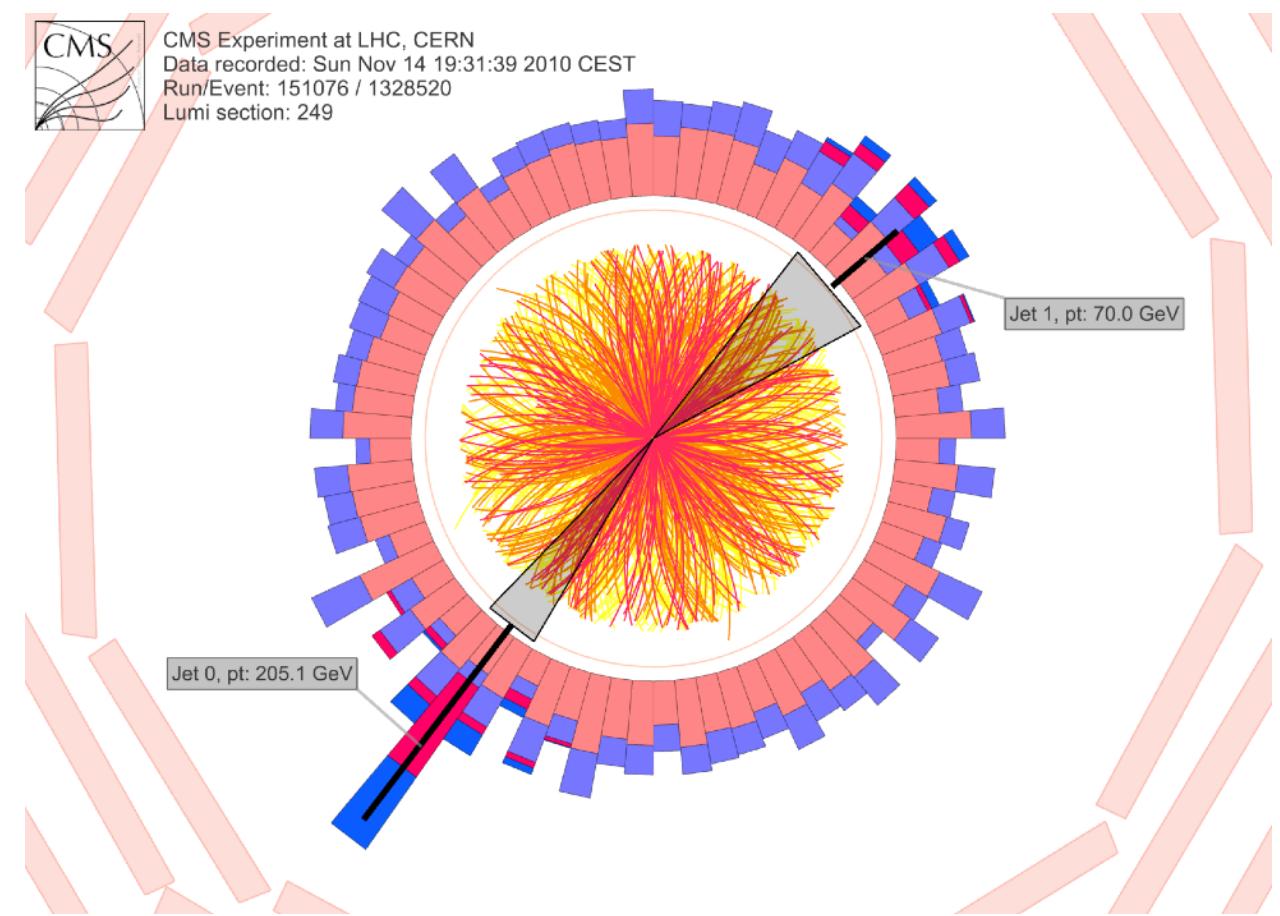
## selected collider-QCD accuracy milestones



[G. Salam 2023]

Full NLL accuracy of parton showers under way...

# New frontiers



## Heavy ion collisions

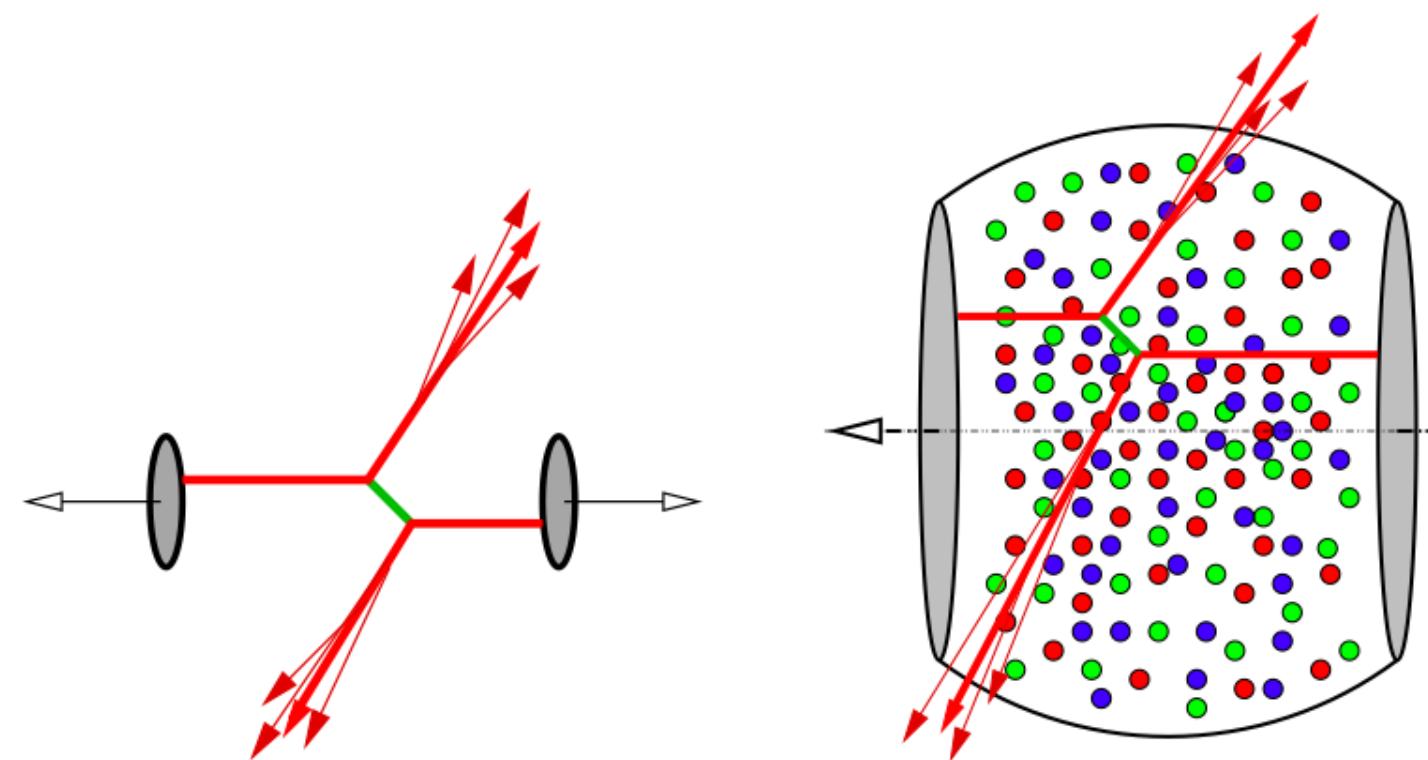
- Jet energy loss
- Jet modification
- Thermalization
- Heavy Flavor transport

## Electron-Ion collider

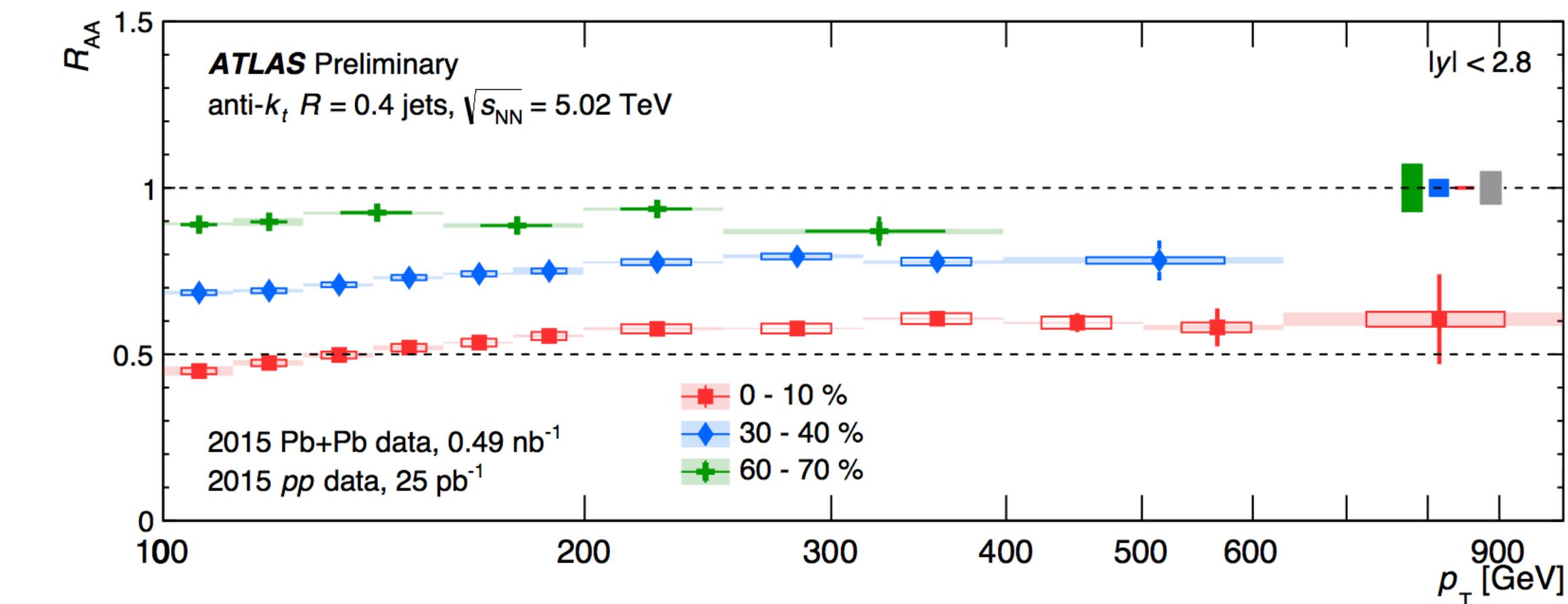
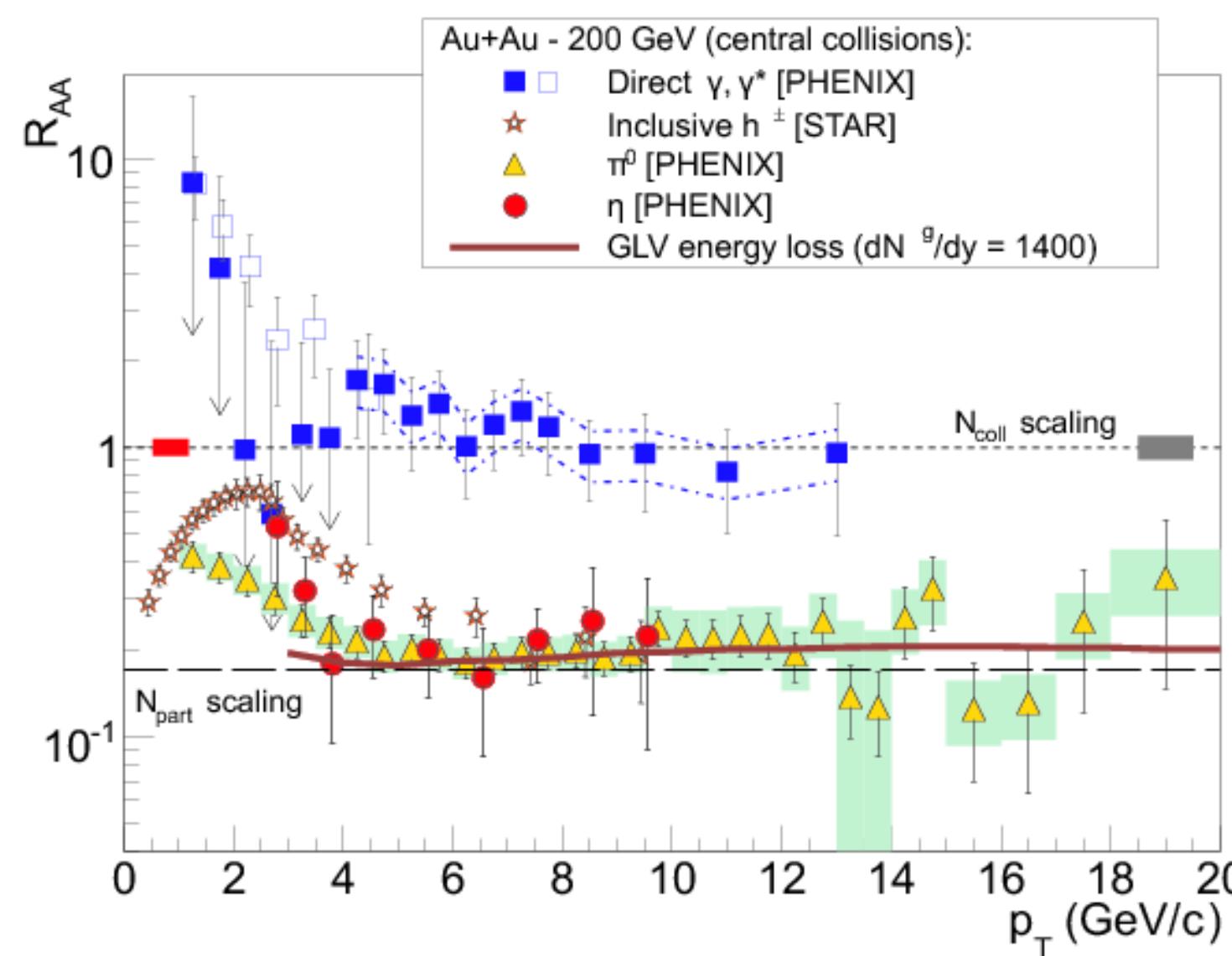
- 3D structure of the proton
- Gluon saturation
- Cold nuclear matter
- Polarization

[Talk by F. Ringer ]

# Observation of jet quenching in HIC

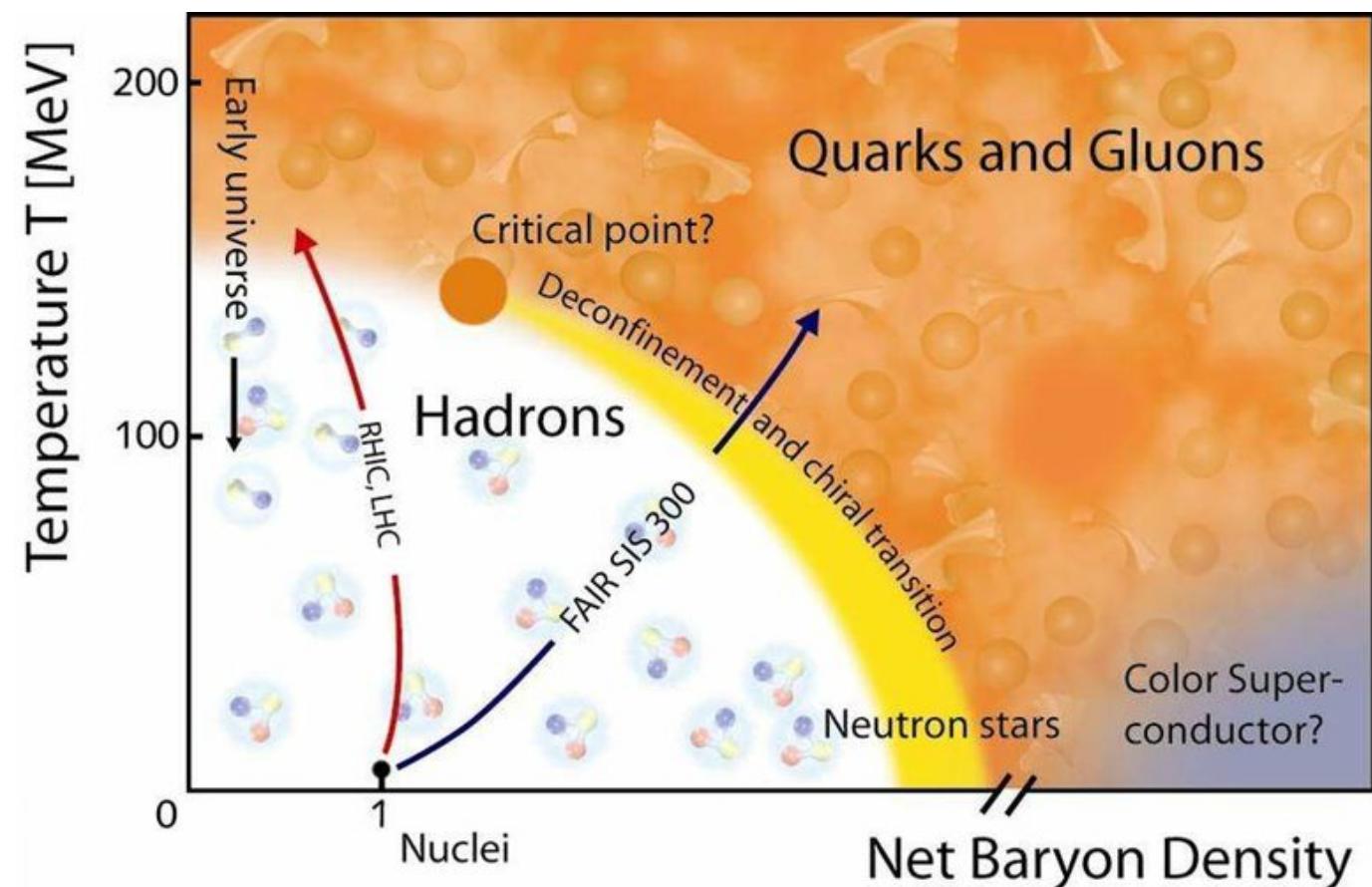


- Substantial final state interactions: jets lose energy to the QGP constituents

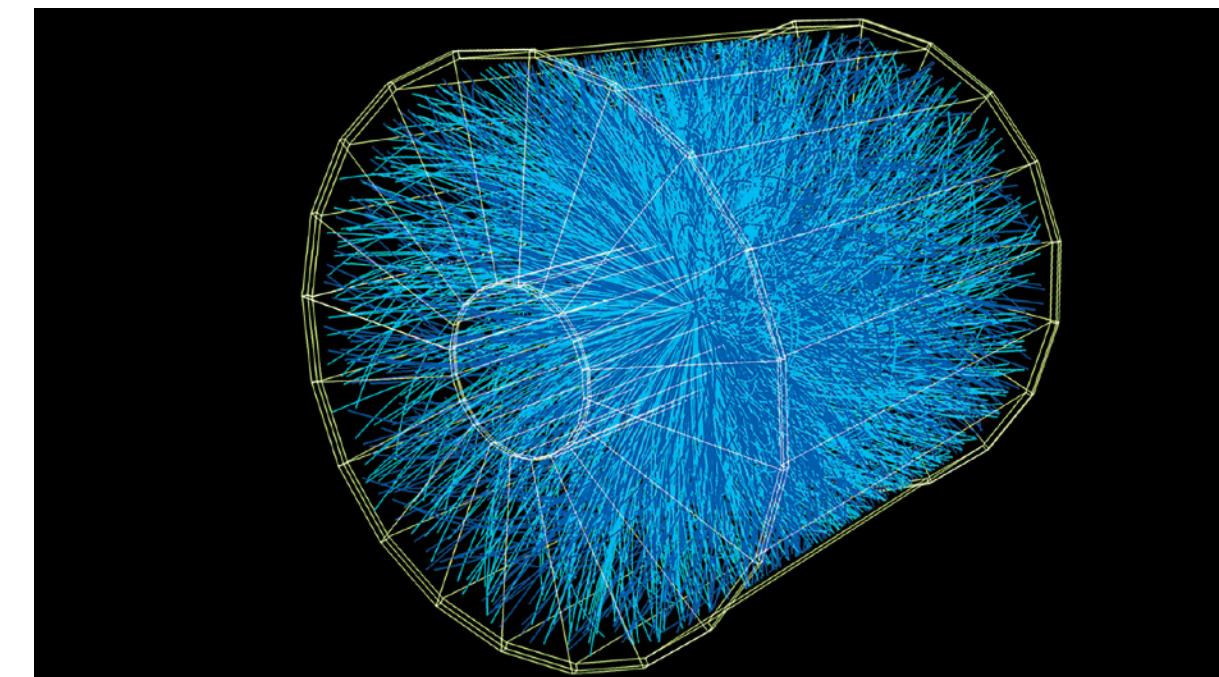


# Multiscale dynamics

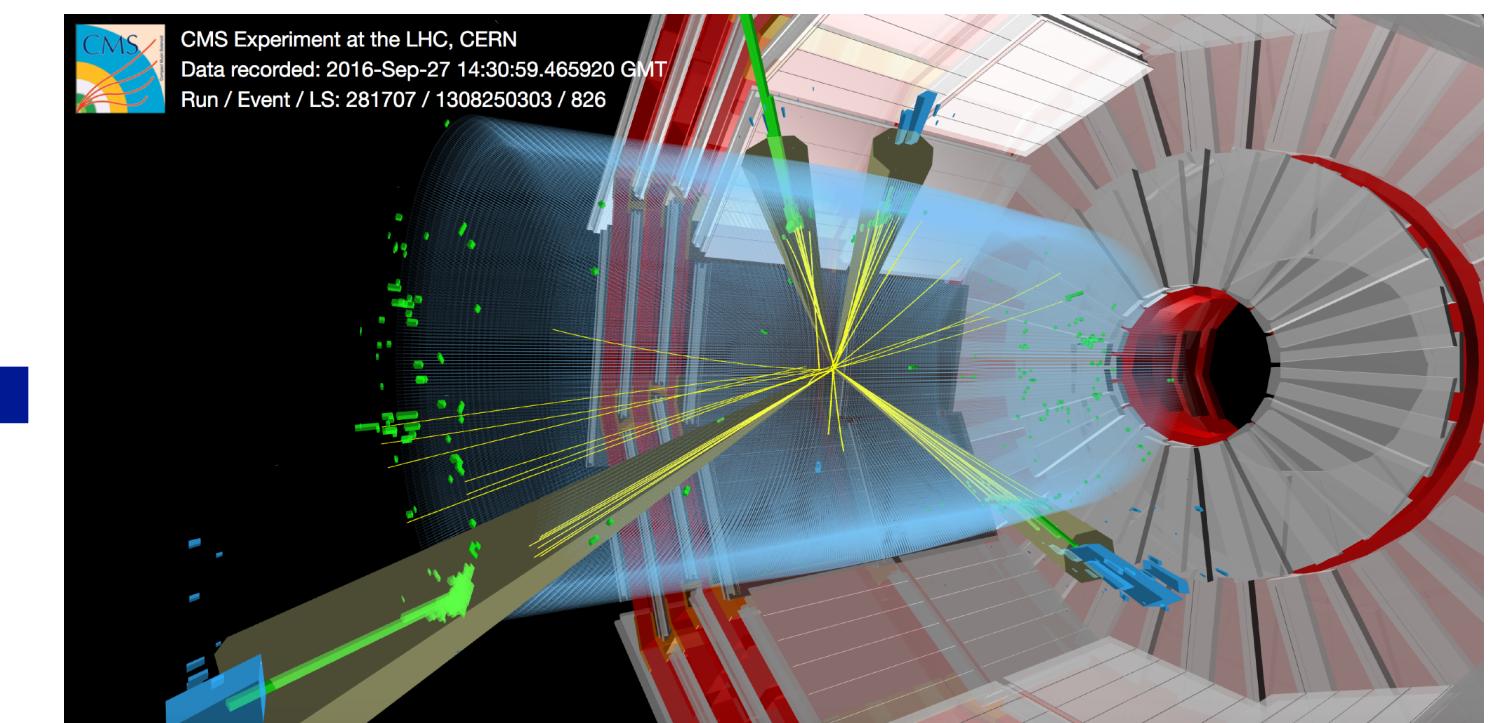
Thermal equilibrium ( $T \neq 0$ )



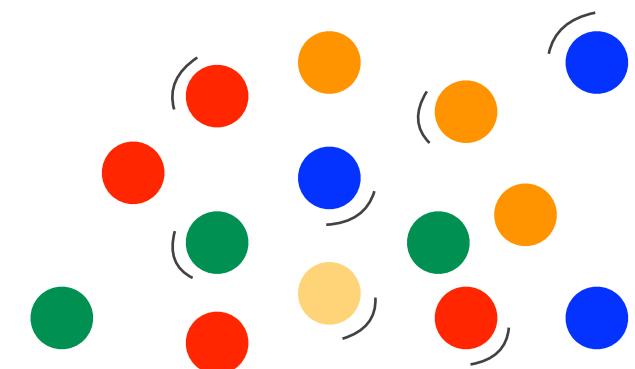
Non-equilibrium



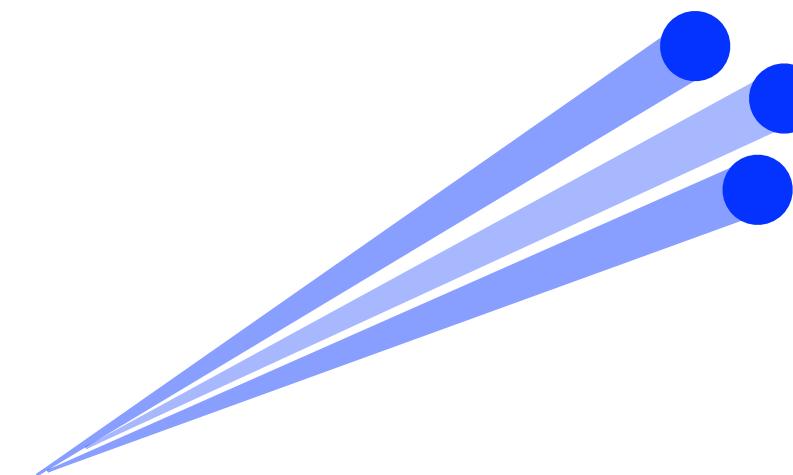
$T=0$



Heavy ion event  
 $\sim 1000's$  particles



Jets in pp



$T \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$

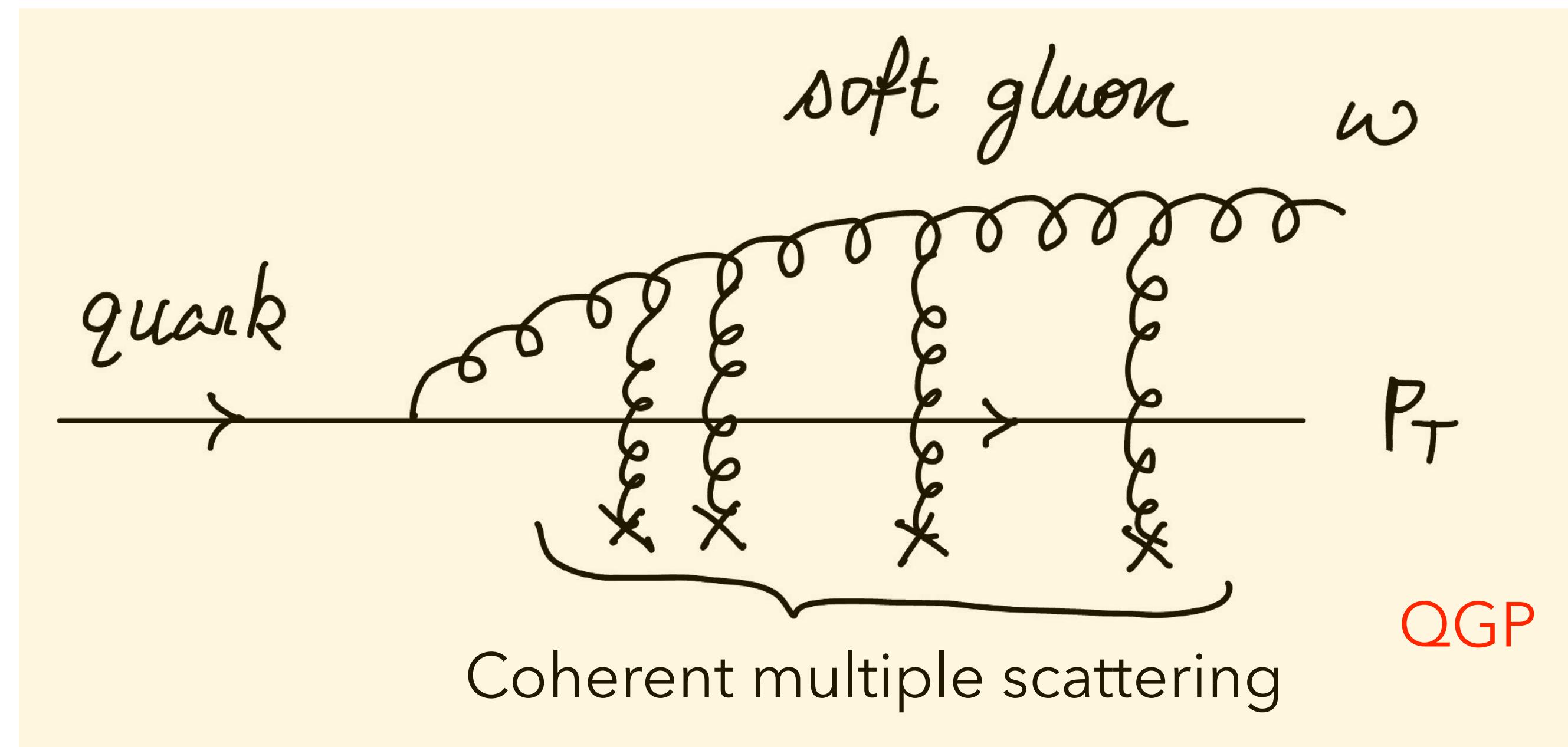
Energy

$p_T \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$

# Jet quenching timeline (epoch I)

- ↪ 1980: Bjorken predicts jet quenching
- ↪ 1990's parton radiative energy loss  $E_{\text{loss}} \sim \hat{\mathbf{q}} L^2$

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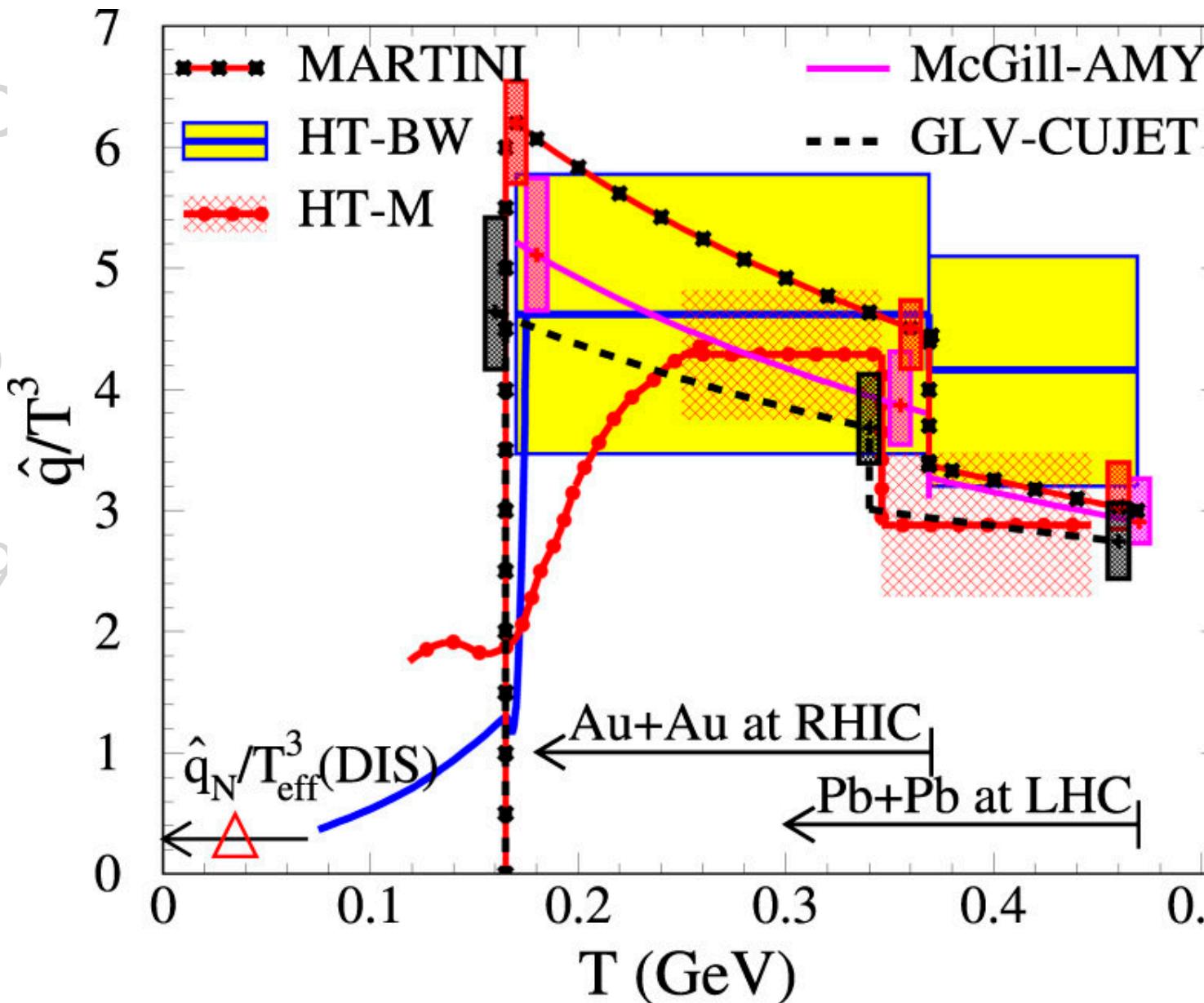
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Jet Collaboration (2014)

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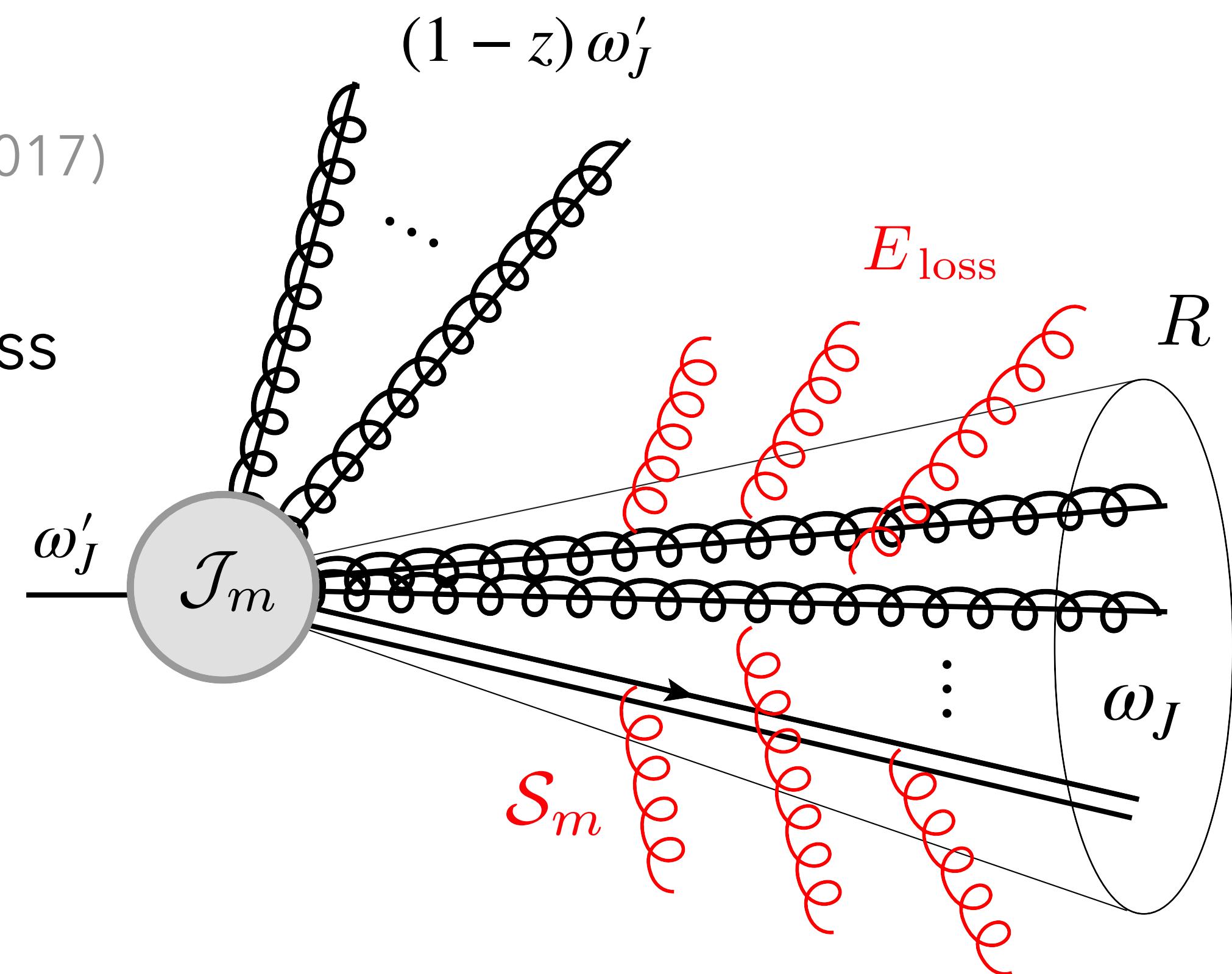
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↪ 2010's Jet quenching theory

Color decoherence: MT, Tywoniuk, Salgado, Iancu, Casalderrey-Solana (2010) Blaizot, Dominguez, Iancu, MT (2013-2015)

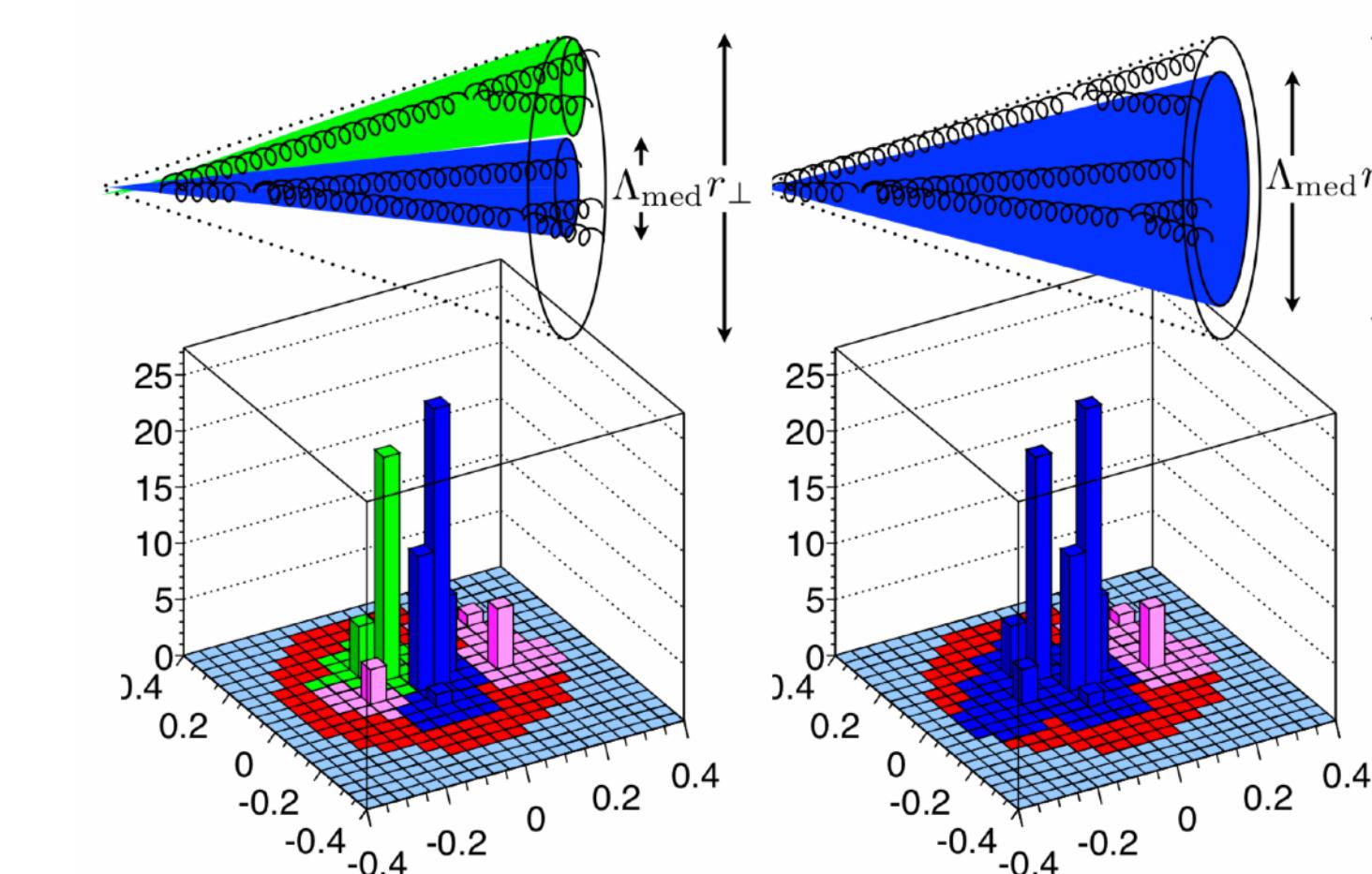
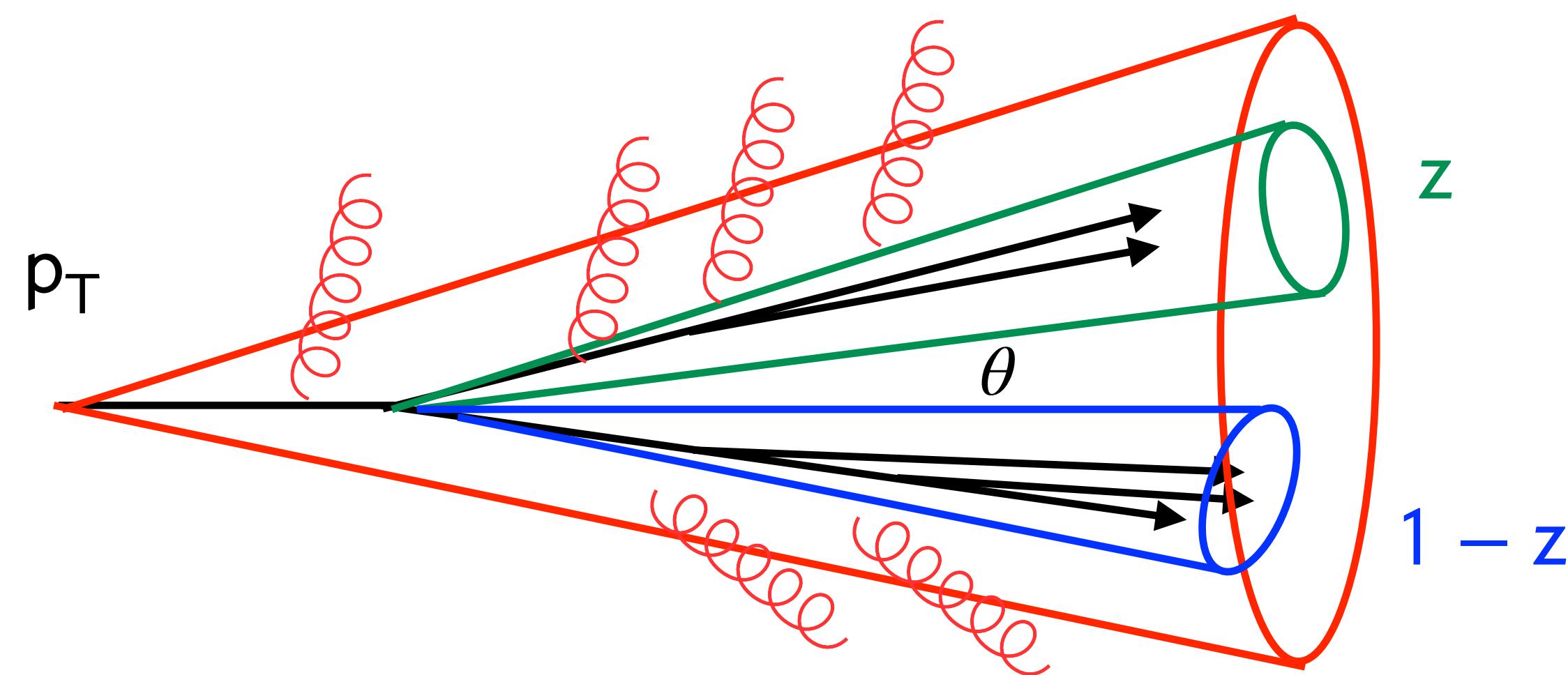
SCETg: Majumder, Vitev, Chien, Kang, Ringer, ... (2010-2017)

- From parton to multiple prong energy loss
- Color decoherence
- In-medium parton shower
- Radiative corrections
- Resummation
- Jet substructure...



# Non-linear evolution of jet quenching

- Energy loss of a multi-parton system is sensitive to **coherence effects**: resolution angle  $\theta_c = (\hat{q}L^3)^{1/2}$
- **Quenching factor:**  $Q \sim R_{AA} < 1$



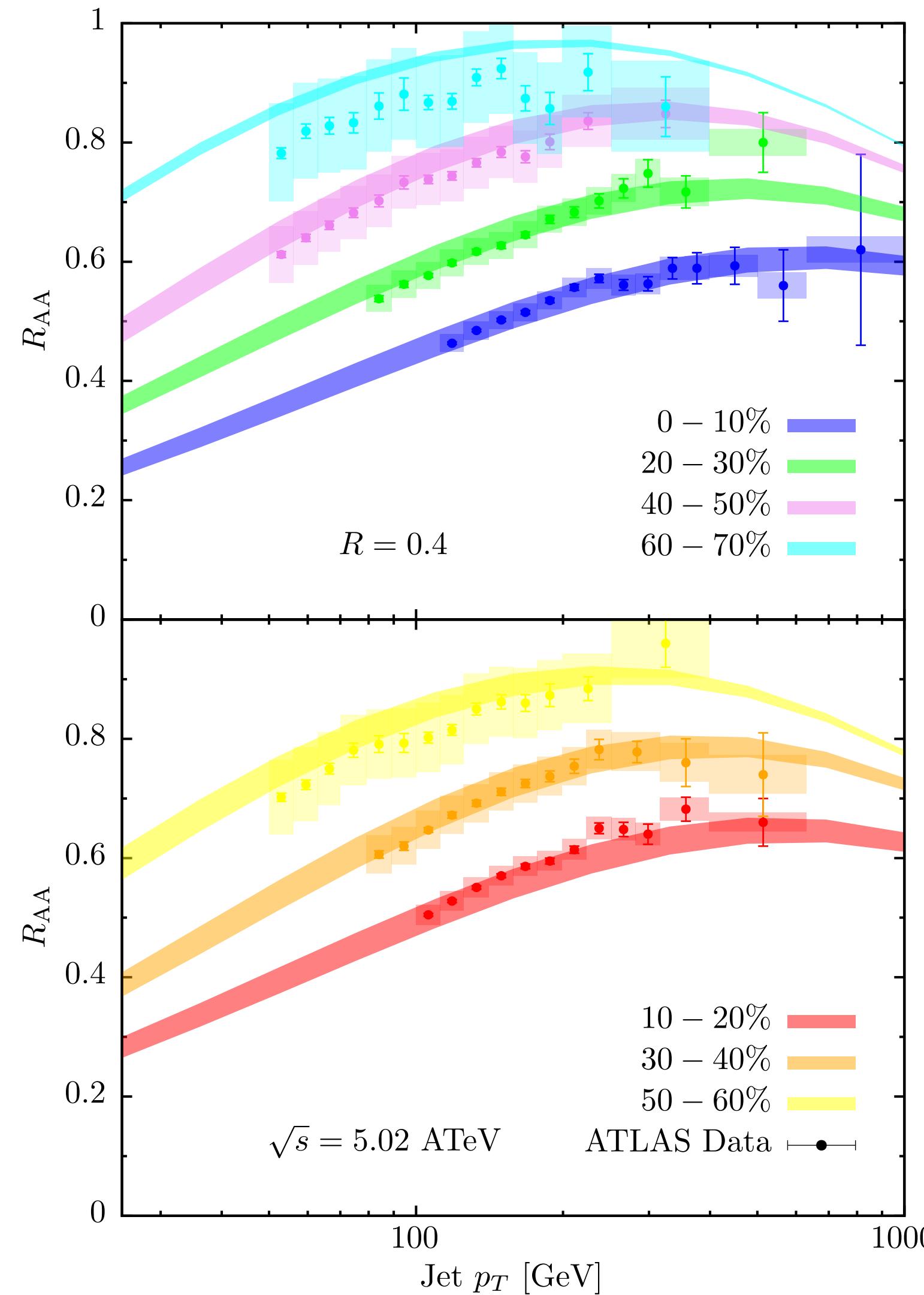
Two effective  
color charges

One effective  
color charge

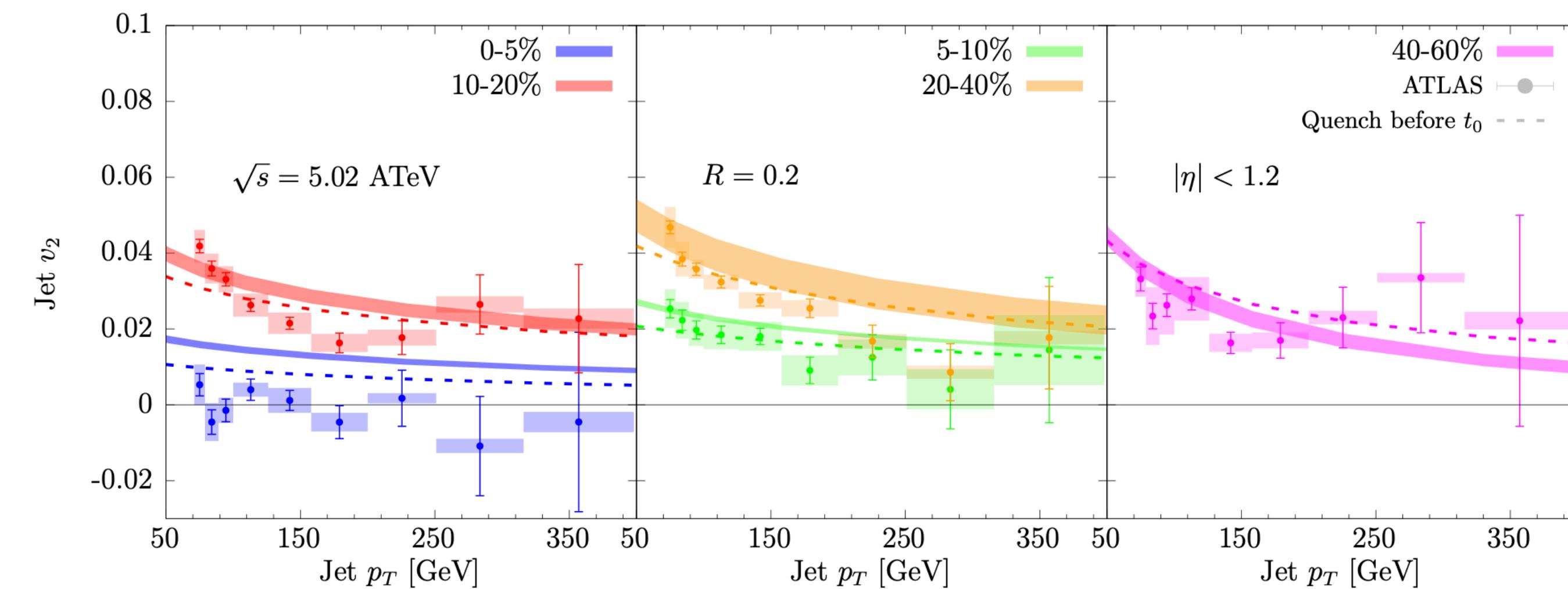
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \ln \theta} Q_a(\theta, p_T) = \bar{\alpha} \int dz p_{bc}^a(z) \Theta_{\text{res}}(z, \theta) [Q_b(\theta, z p_T) Q_c(\theta, (1-z)p_T) - Q_a(\theta, p_T)]$$

MT, Tywoniuk (2017)

# Inclusive jets and jet v2



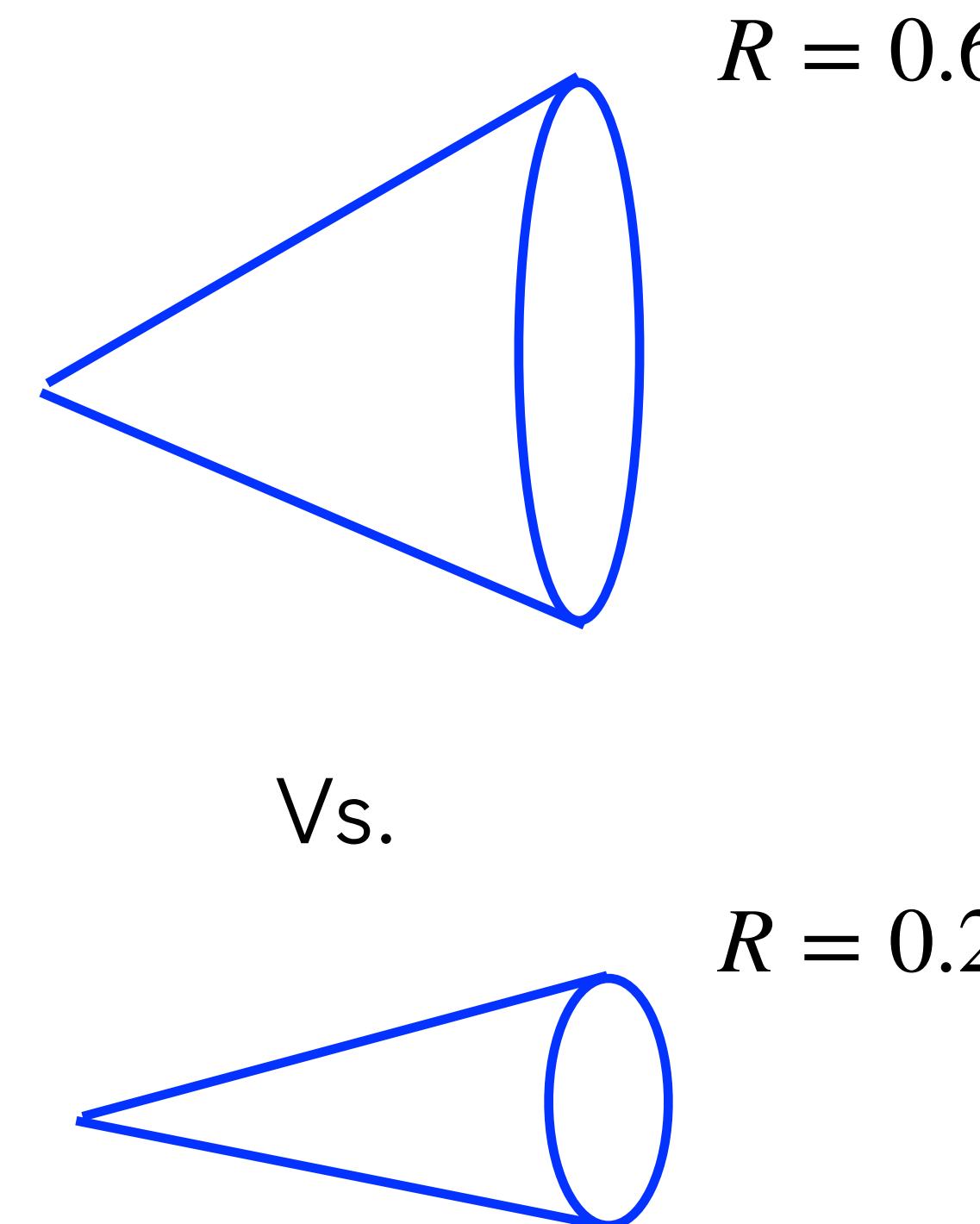
- Description of  $R$ ,  $p_T$  and centrality dependence
- Dominant theory uncertainties due parton shower accuracy



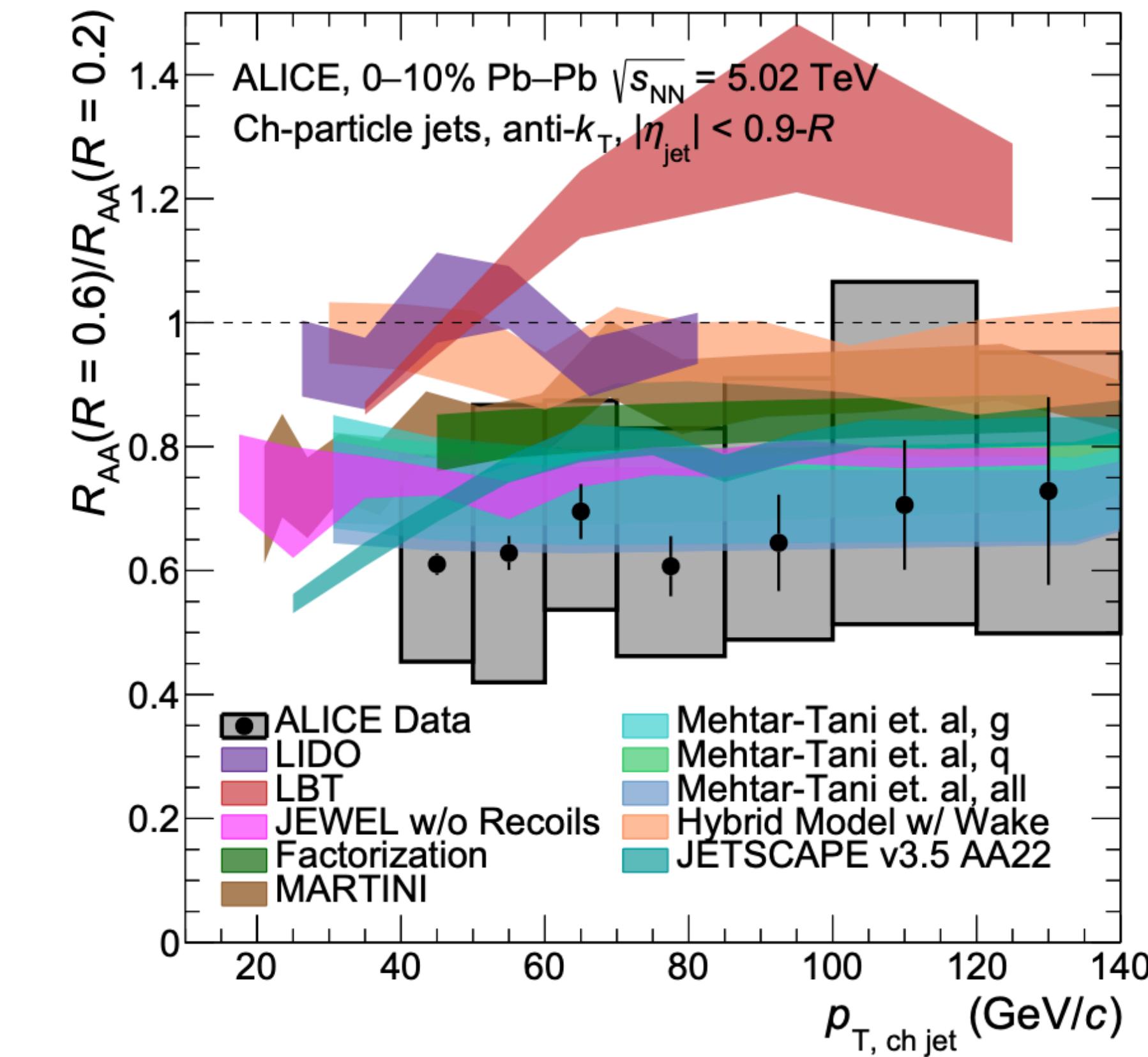
MT, Pablos, Tywoniuk (2021-2023)

# Predictions for R dependence

- R dependence encodes color coherence effects

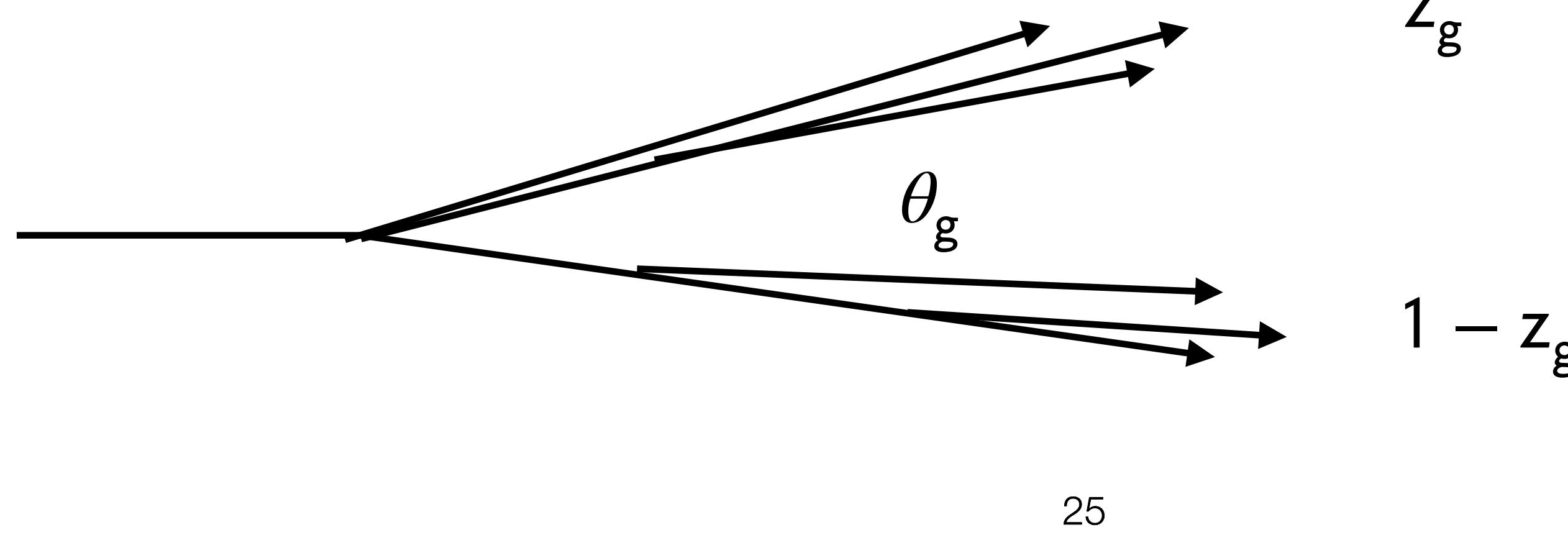


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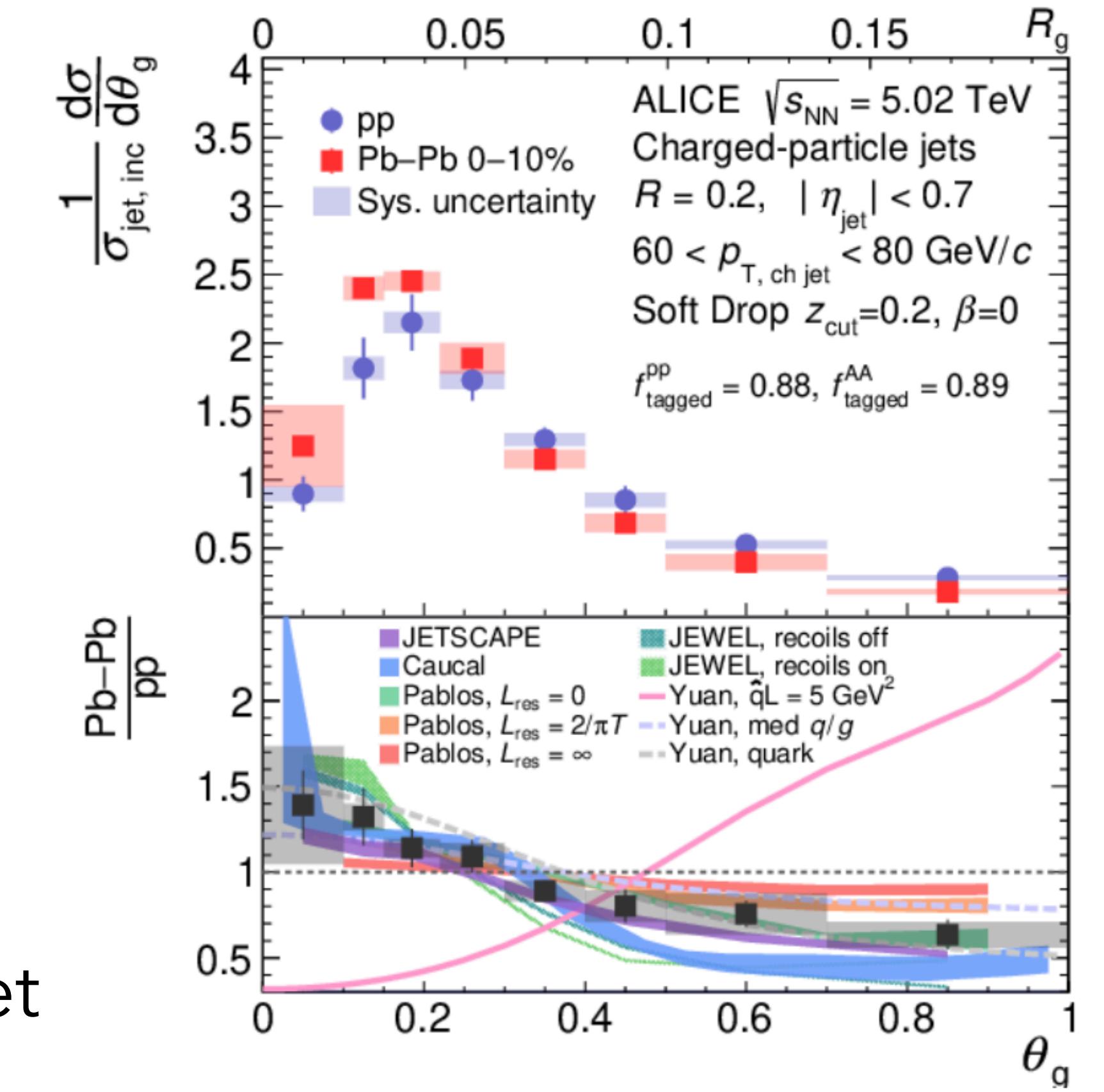


→ Good agreement with 2023 ALICE data as function of  $pT$  and jet cone size

# Jet substructure with grooming



- Access the **hard components** of the jet by reducing soft contamination with Groomed jet observables: jet mass,  $\theta_g$ ,  $z_g \rightarrow$  **jet collimation observed**
- **Evidence for color decoherence:** Two prongs lose more energy than one prong



ALICE Collaboration (2021)

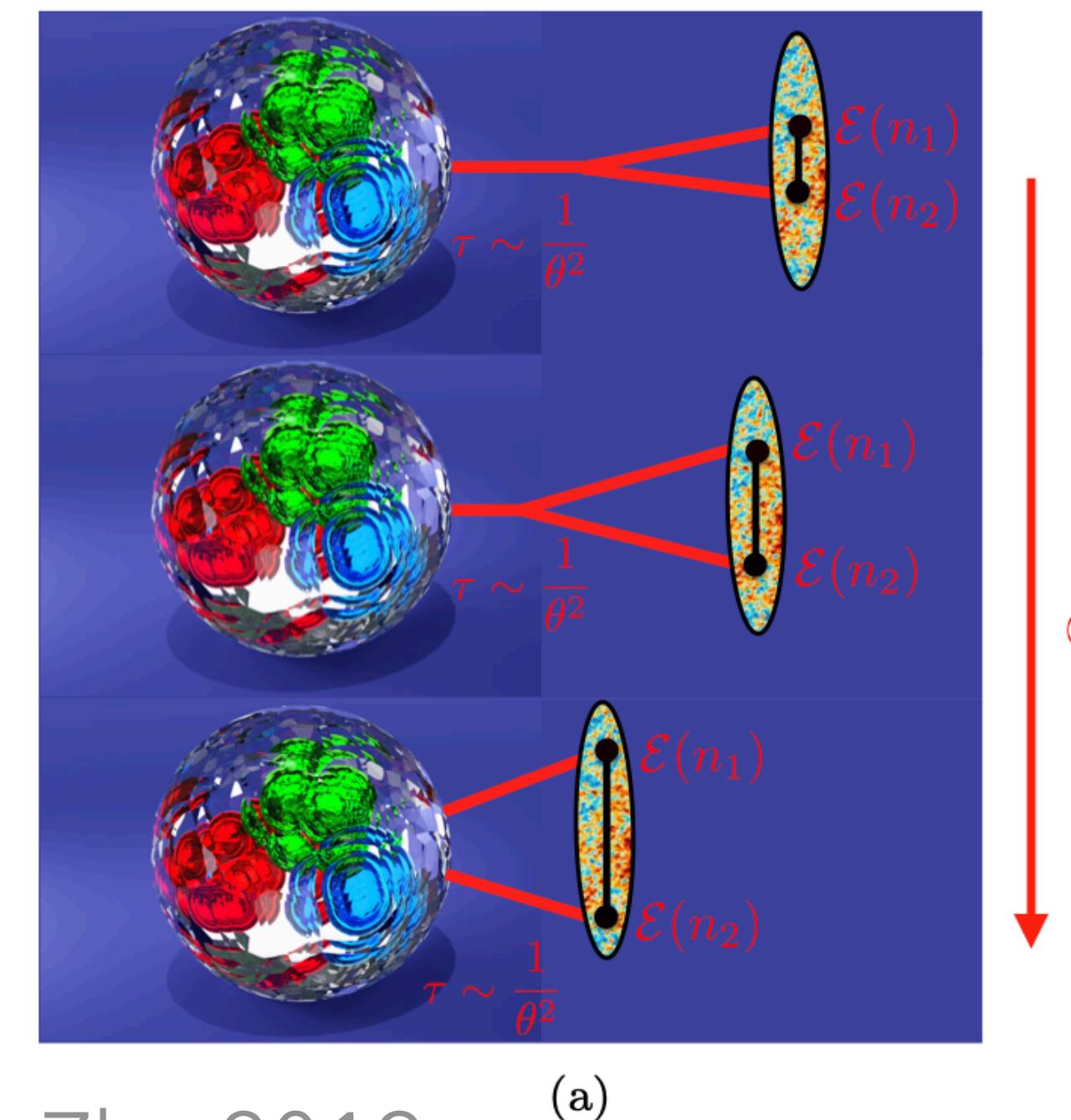
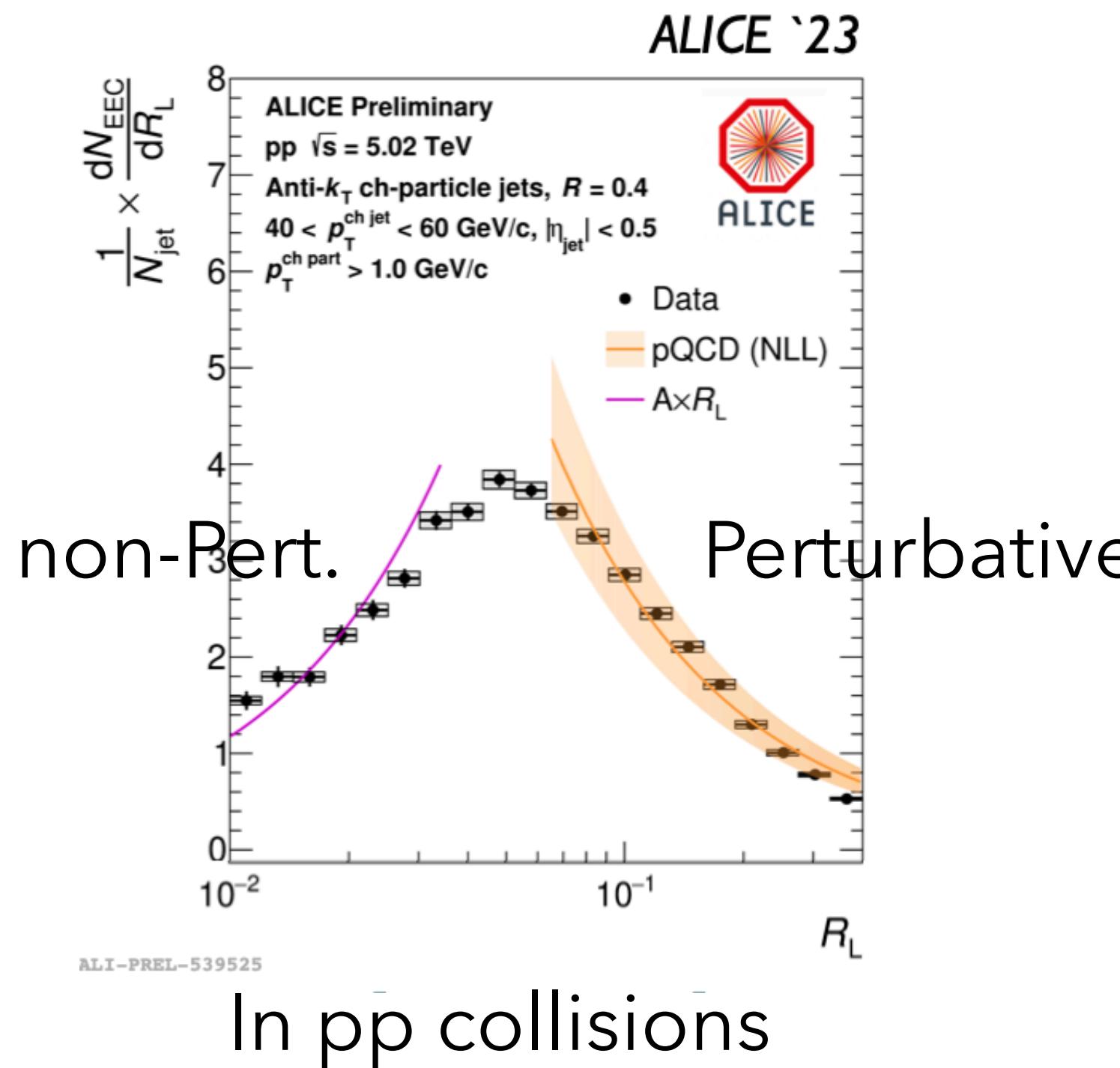
# New observable: Energy-Energy correlator

- Energy flow correlations

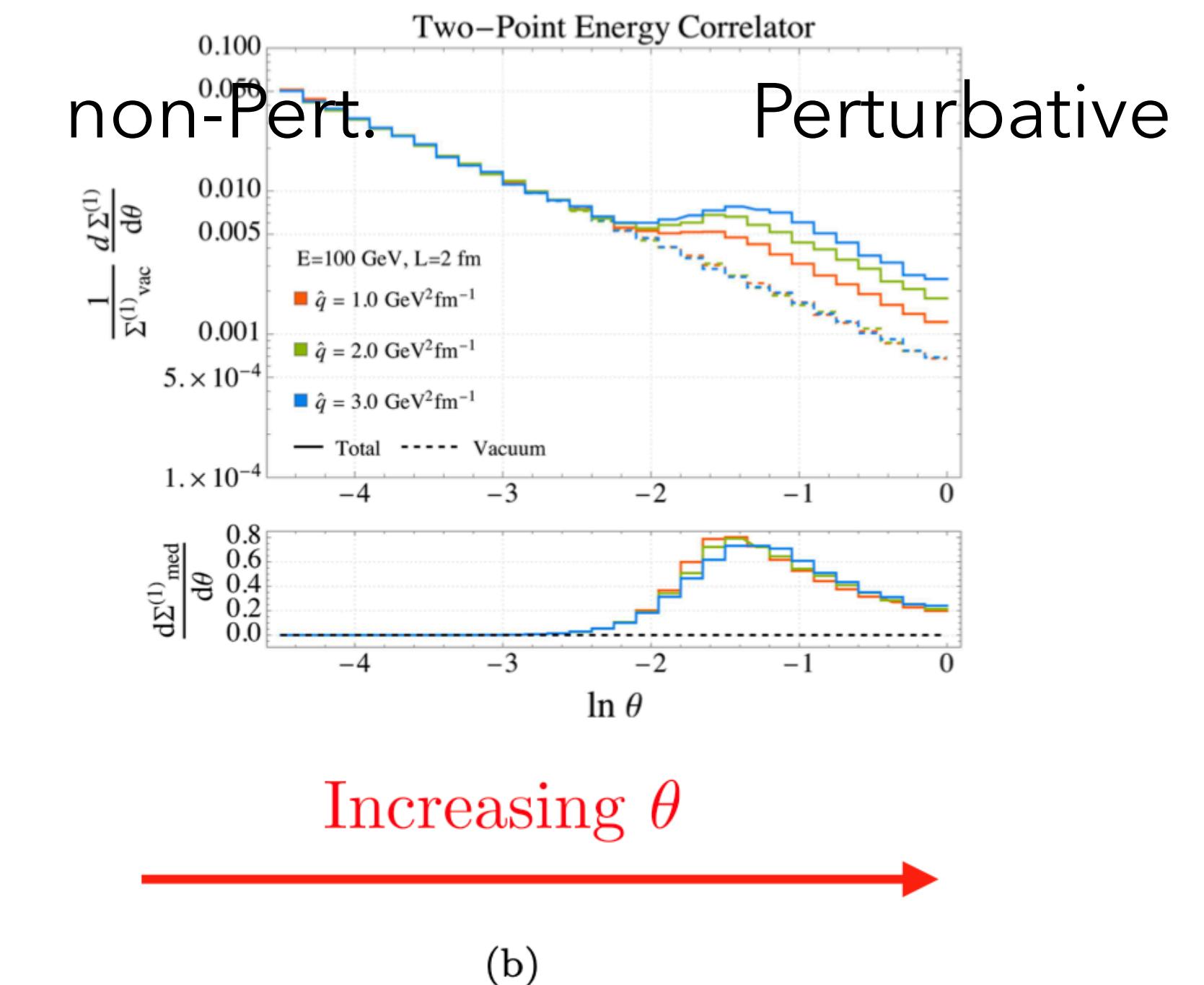
$$\mathcal{E}(\hat{n}_1) \mathcal{E}(\hat{n}_2) \sim \sum \theta^{\tau_i - 4} \mathbb{O}_i(\hat{n}_1)$$

- **Proposal:** two-point EEC probes **hard medium induced radiation**

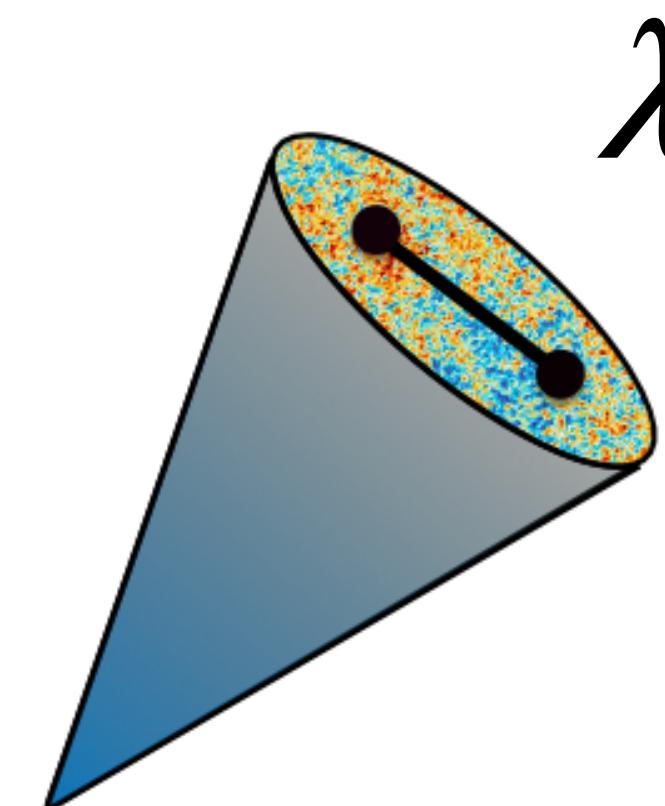
[Andres, Dominguez, Holguin, Marquet, Moult, (2022)]

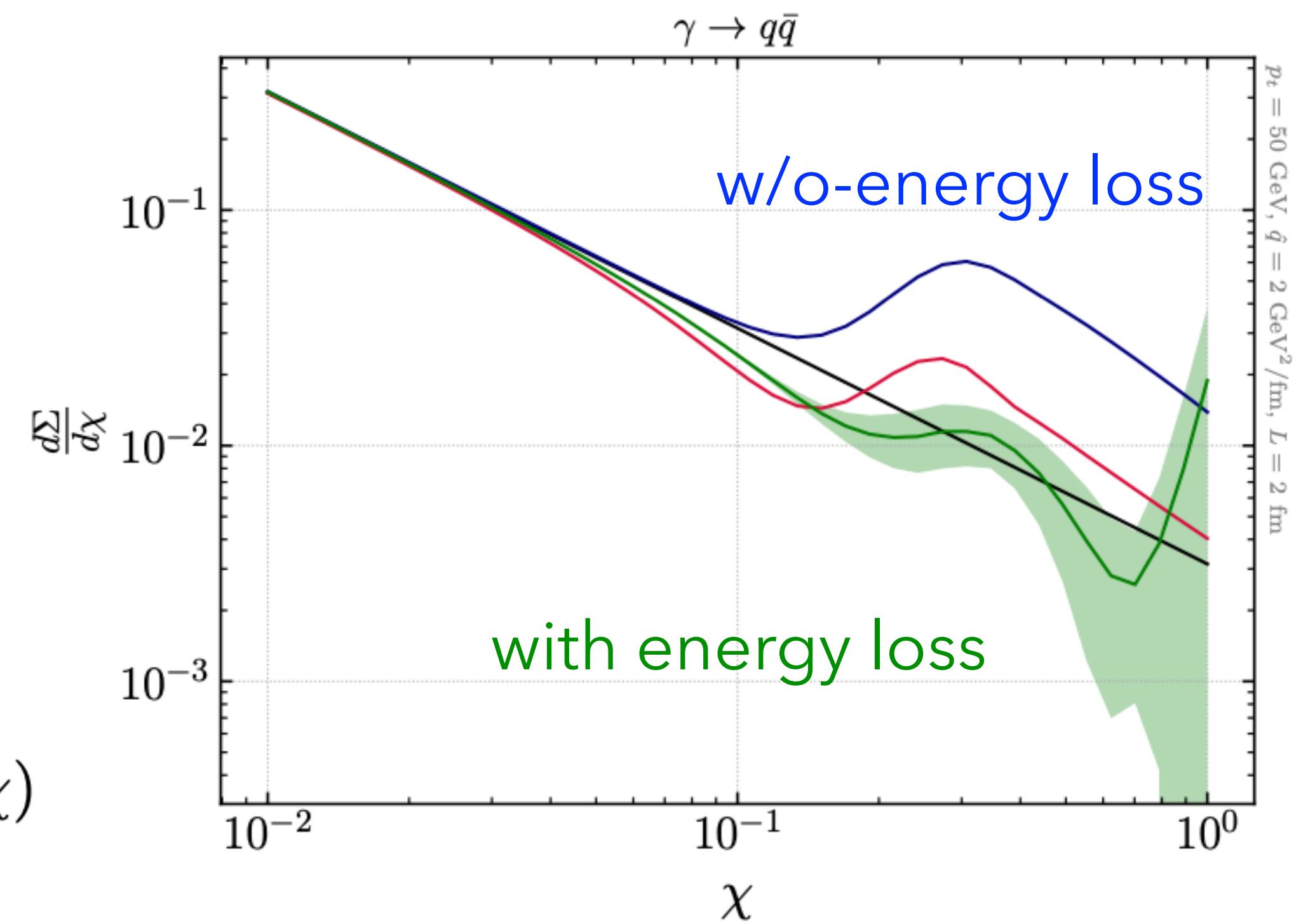


Signal at large angles



# New observable: Energy-Energy correlators


$$\frac{d\Sigma^{(n)}}{d\chi} = \int_{\vec{n}_1, \vec{n}_2} \frac{\langle \mathcal{E}^n(\vec{n}_1) \mathcal{E}^n(\vec{n}_2) \rangle}{Q^2} \delta(\vec{n}_1 \cdot \vec{n}_2 - \cos \chi)$$



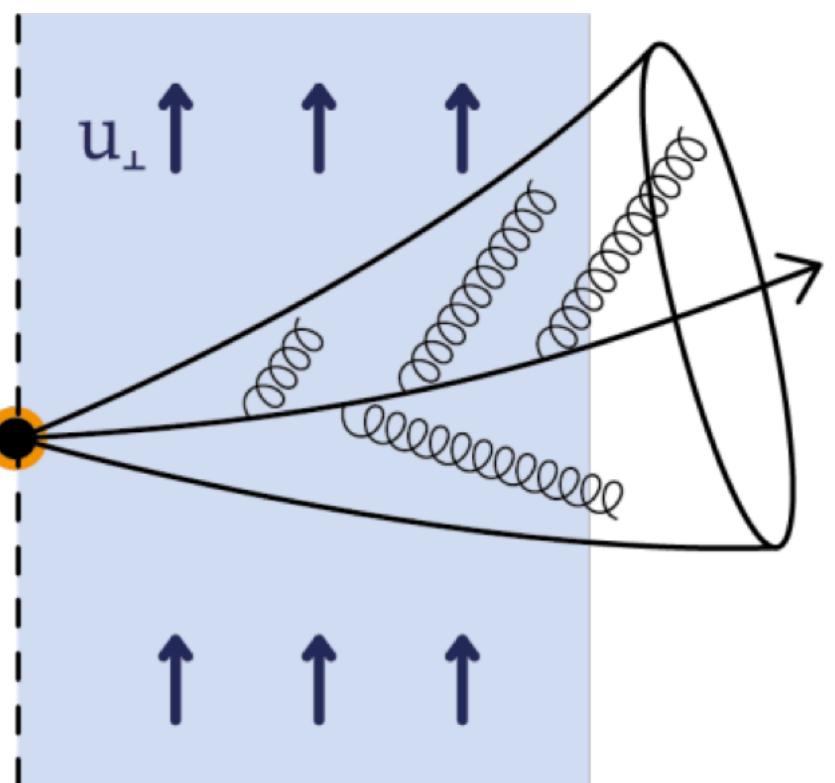
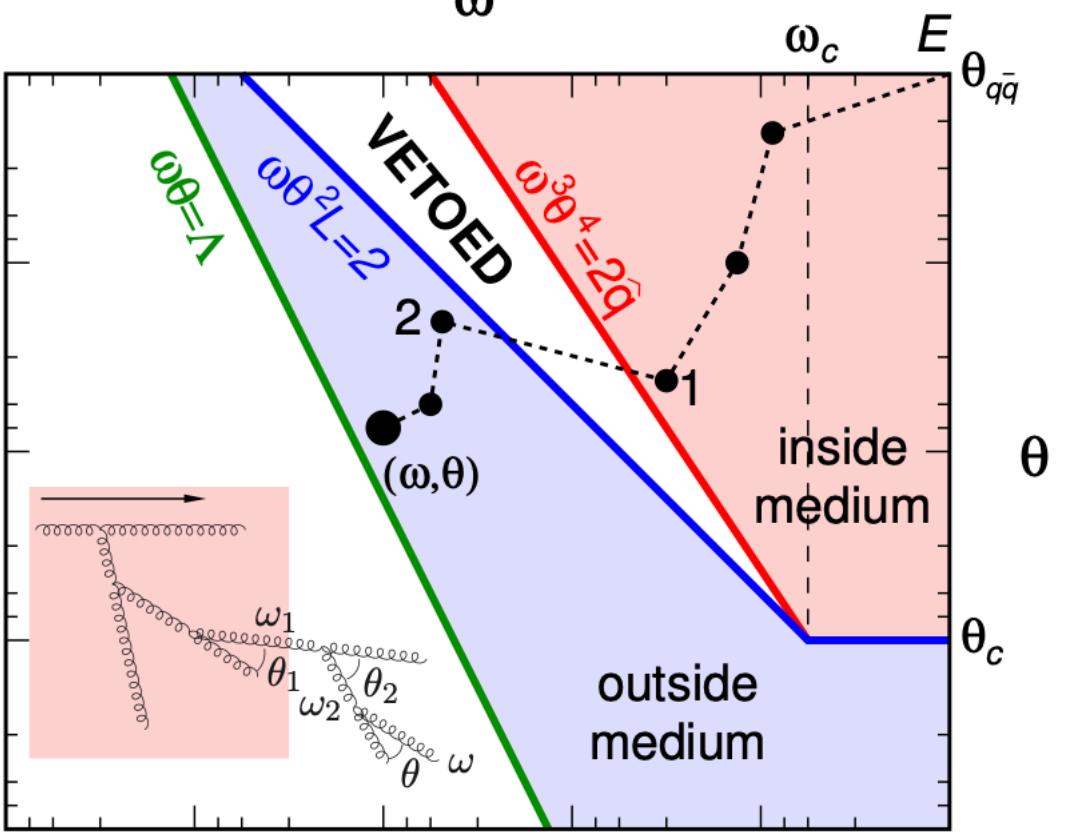
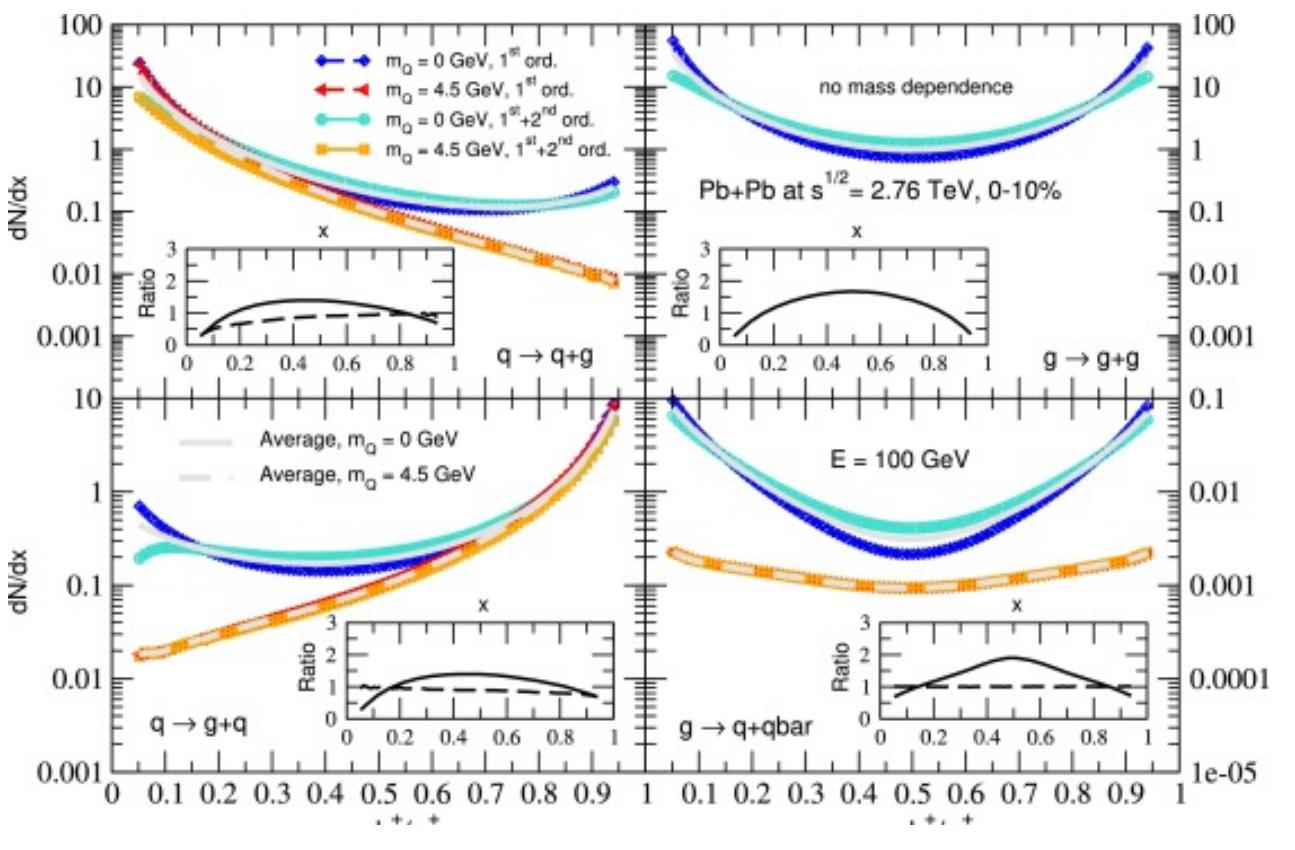
[Barata, Caucal, Soto-Ontoso, Szafron (2023)]

Energy loss effects and soft contamination may **suppress** the signal

# Towards precision computations

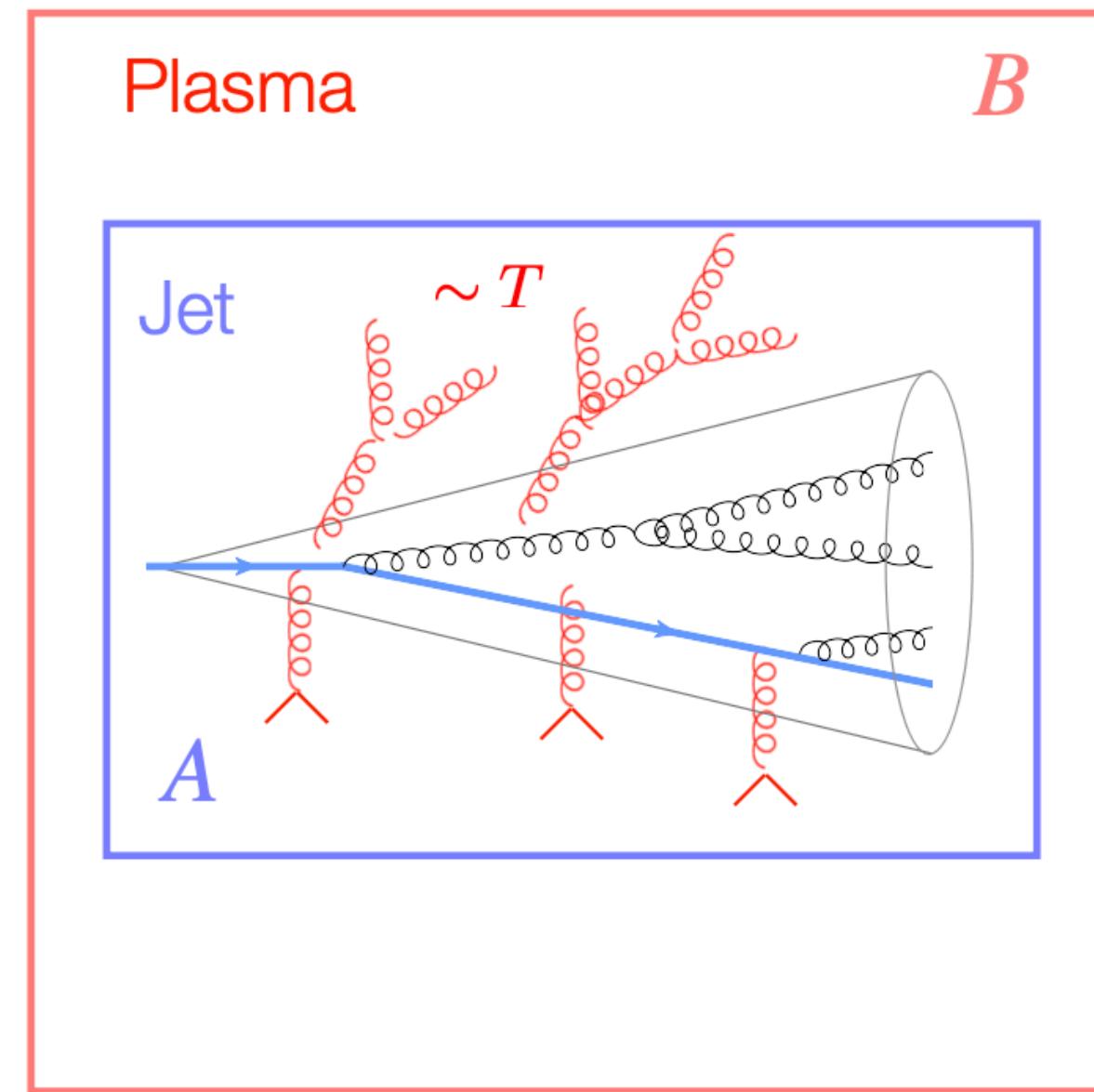
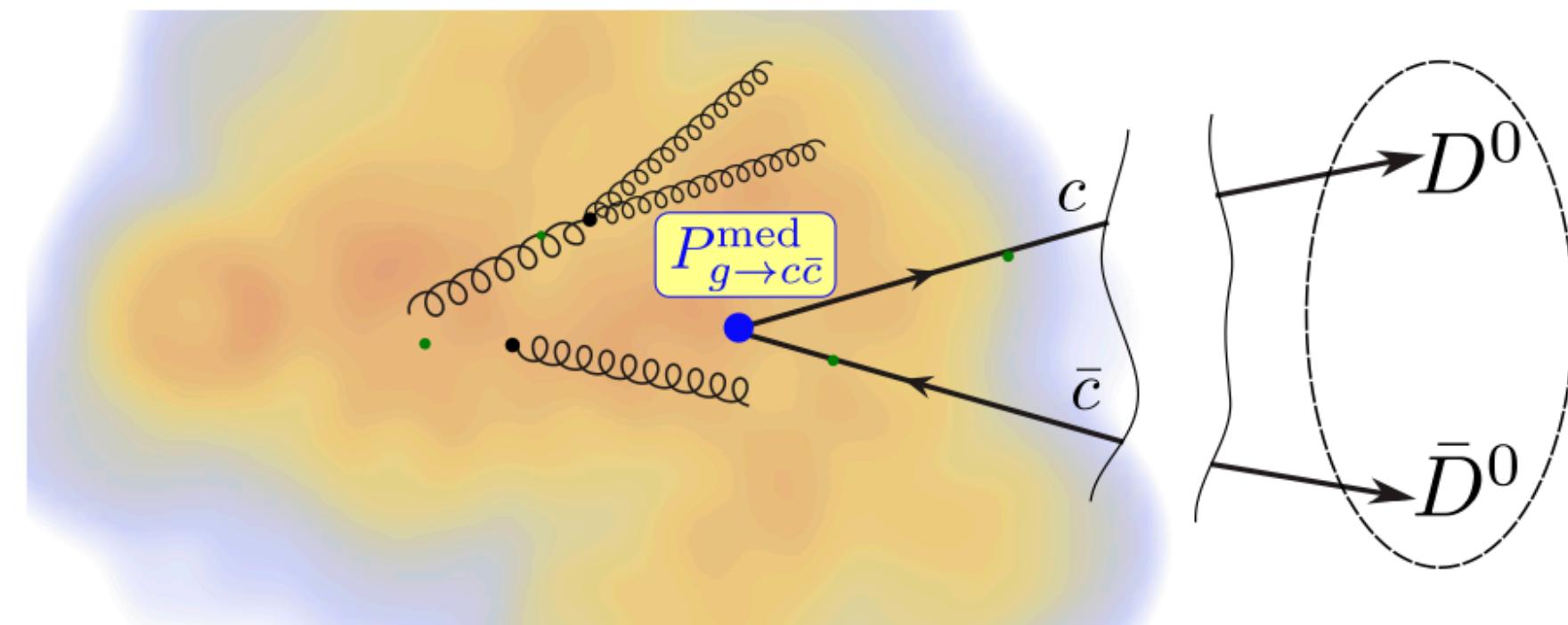
A lot of recent progress!

- Full gluon splitting and higher opacity expansion [Vitev, Sievert (2018)]
- Improved opacity expansion [Barata, MT, Soto-Ontoso, Tywoniuk 2019-2022]
- Monte Carlo prescription [Caucal, Soyez, Iancu, Mueller (2018-20)]
- Collective flow in the opacity expansion approach [Sadofyev, Sievert, Vitev (2021)]



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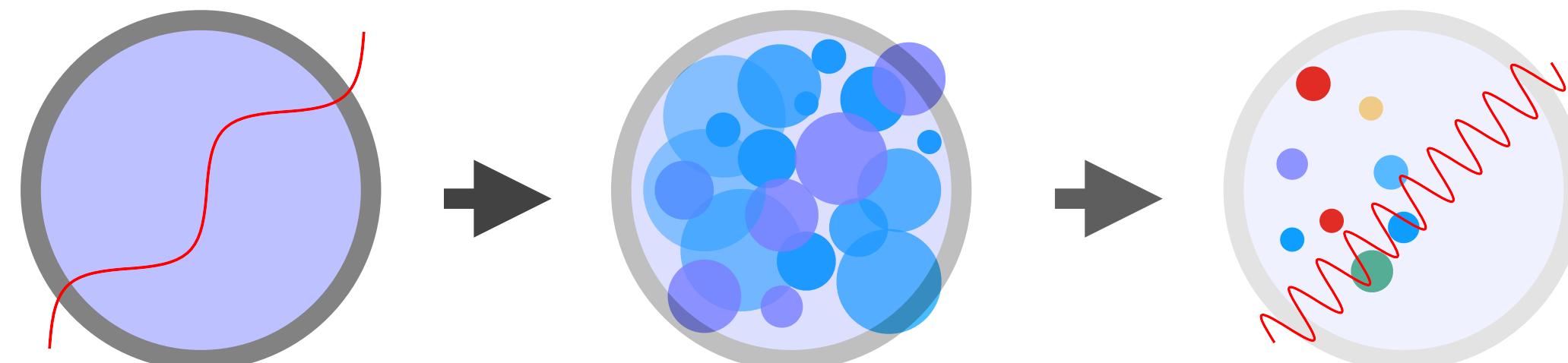
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- $c\bar{c}$  enhancement in the medium [Attems, et al (2024)]
- Open quantum system description [Vaidya, Yao (2020-2021)]
- And a lot more! ....

# Open questions

- Understanding thermalization with jets → sPHENIX
- Extract scale dependence of the quenching parameter → QGP PDF
- Factorization theorems for heavy ion collisions → precision theory
- Strong coupling (ideal fluid) to weak coupling transition
- Jet chemistry, heavy flavor transport, hadronization, ...



Thank you!