

Probing jet energy redistribution and broadening in heavy-ion collisions with ALICE at the LHC

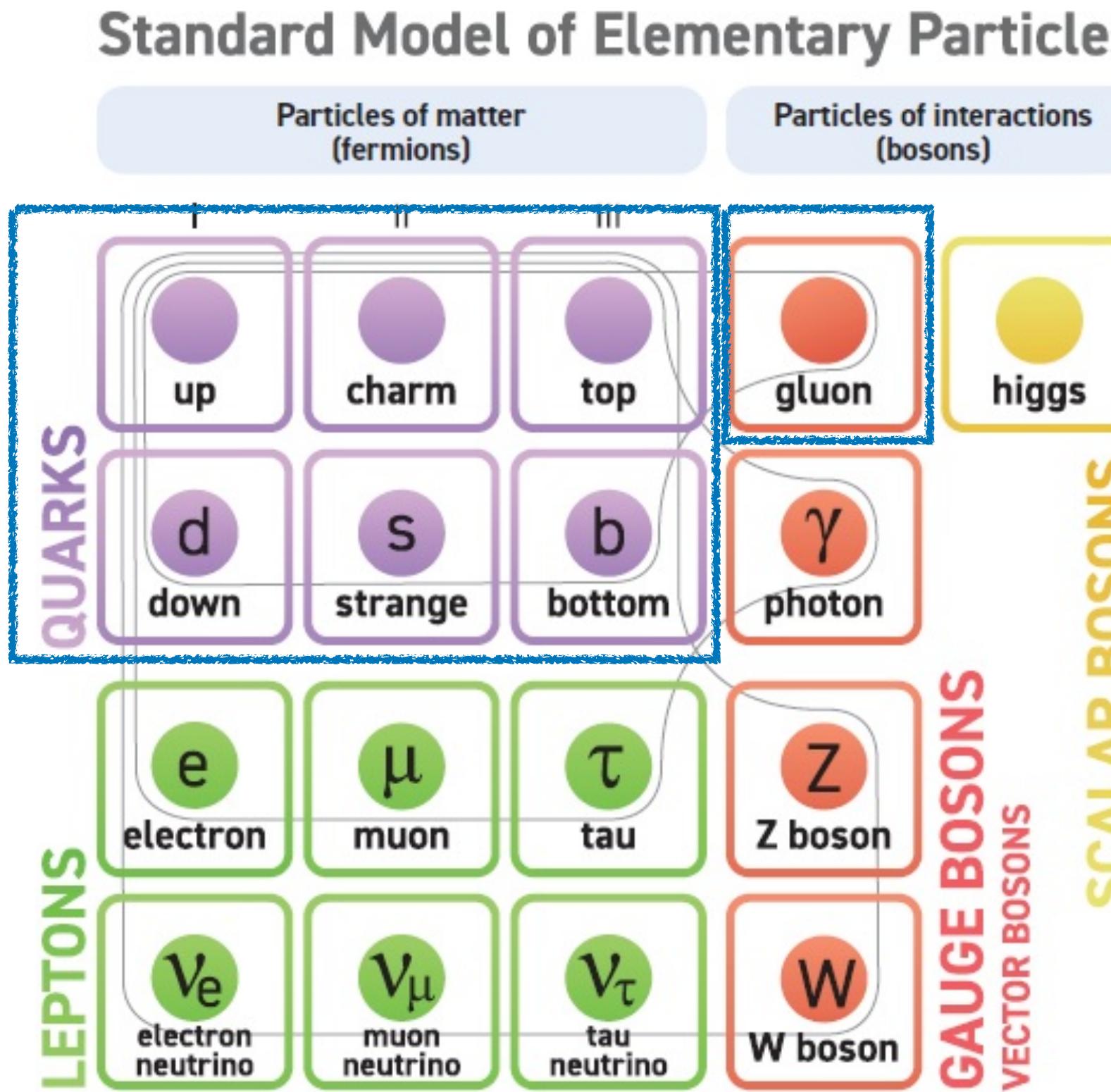
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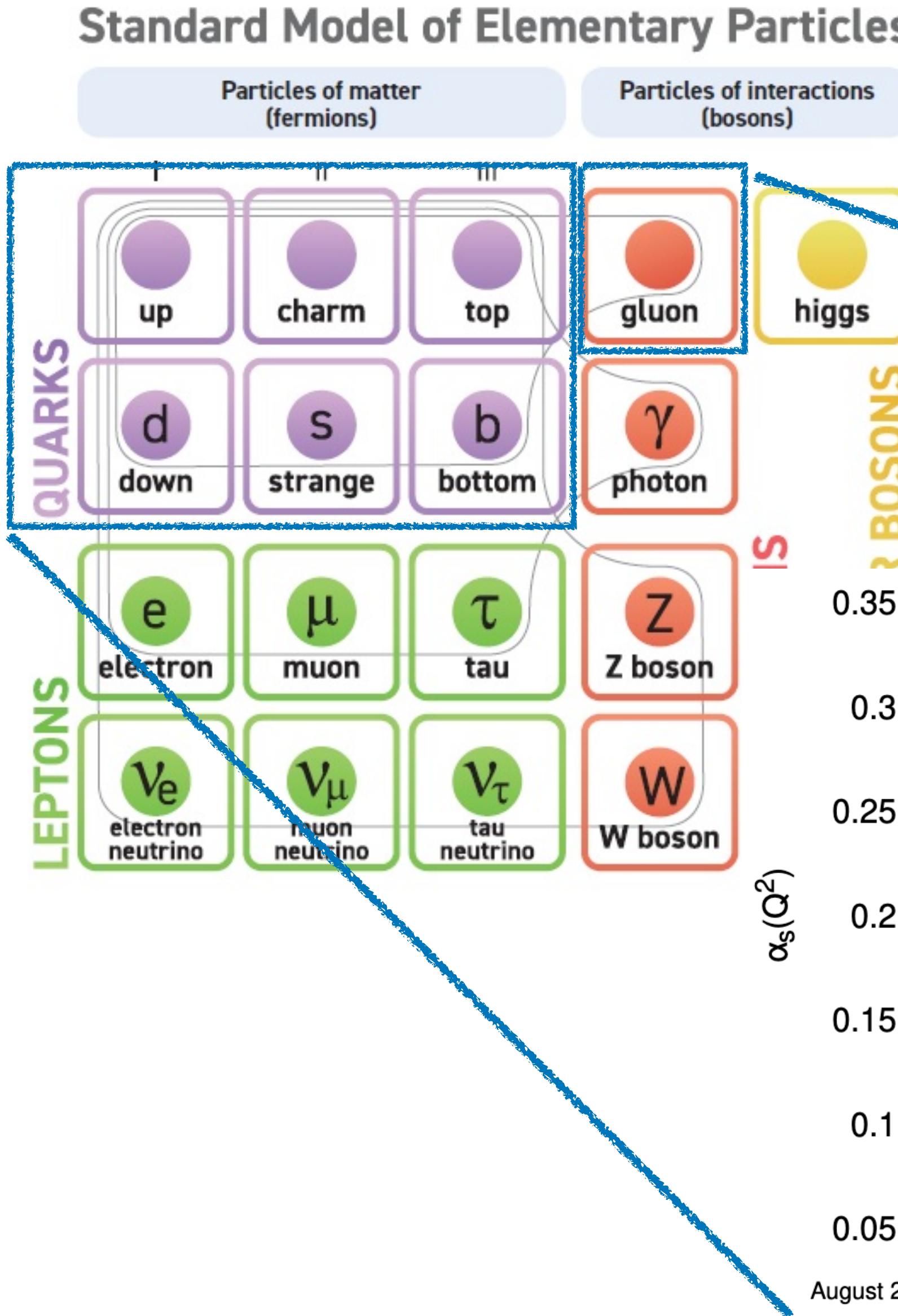


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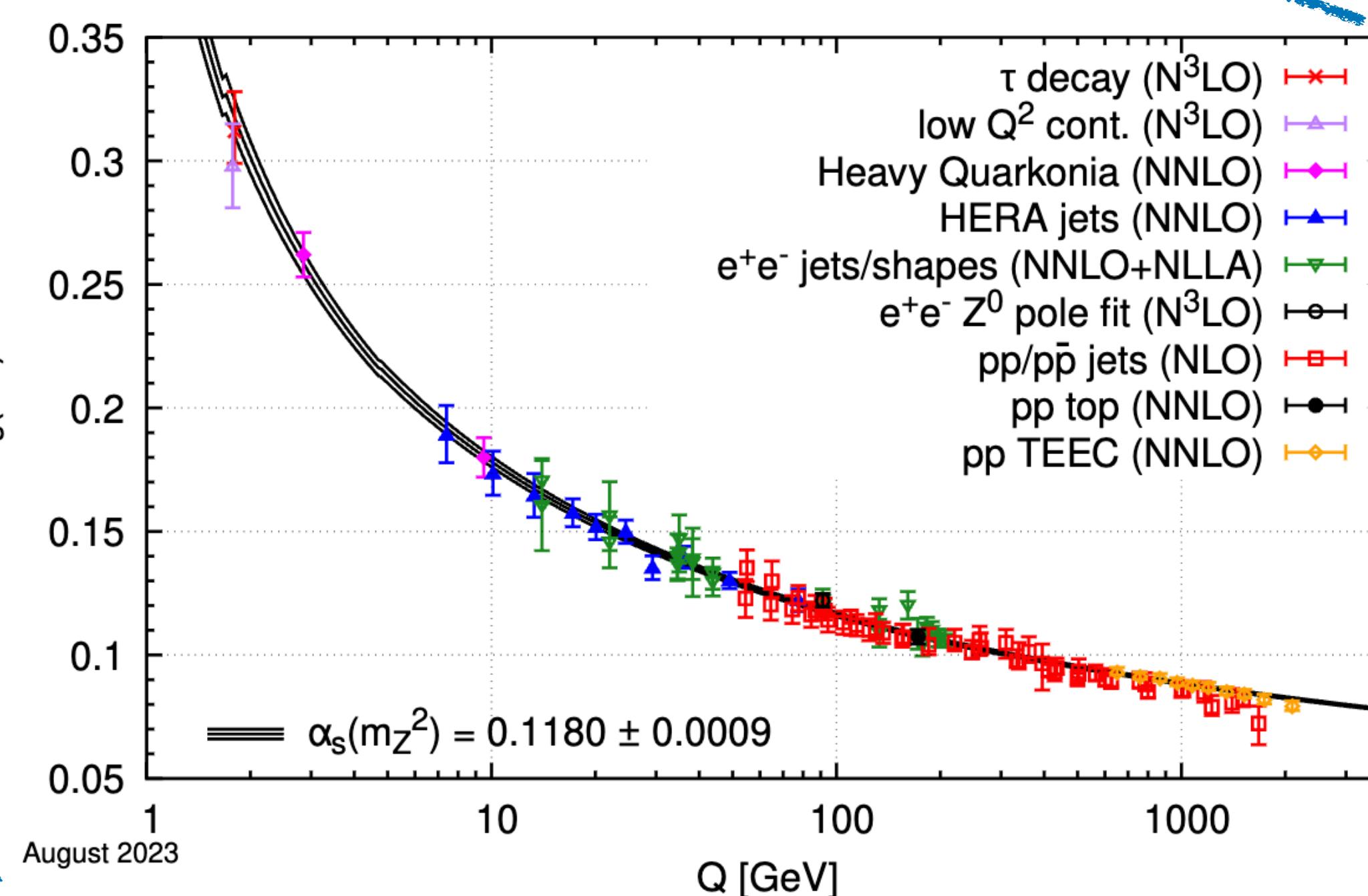


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- QCD coupling constant α_s weakens with increasing momentum transfer Q / decreasing distance scale
→ **asymptotic freedom**



- Quarks and gluons form hadrons and thus atomic nuclei - **QCD central to atomic/nuclear physics**
- What is the structure of QCD matter over a range of energies/densities?

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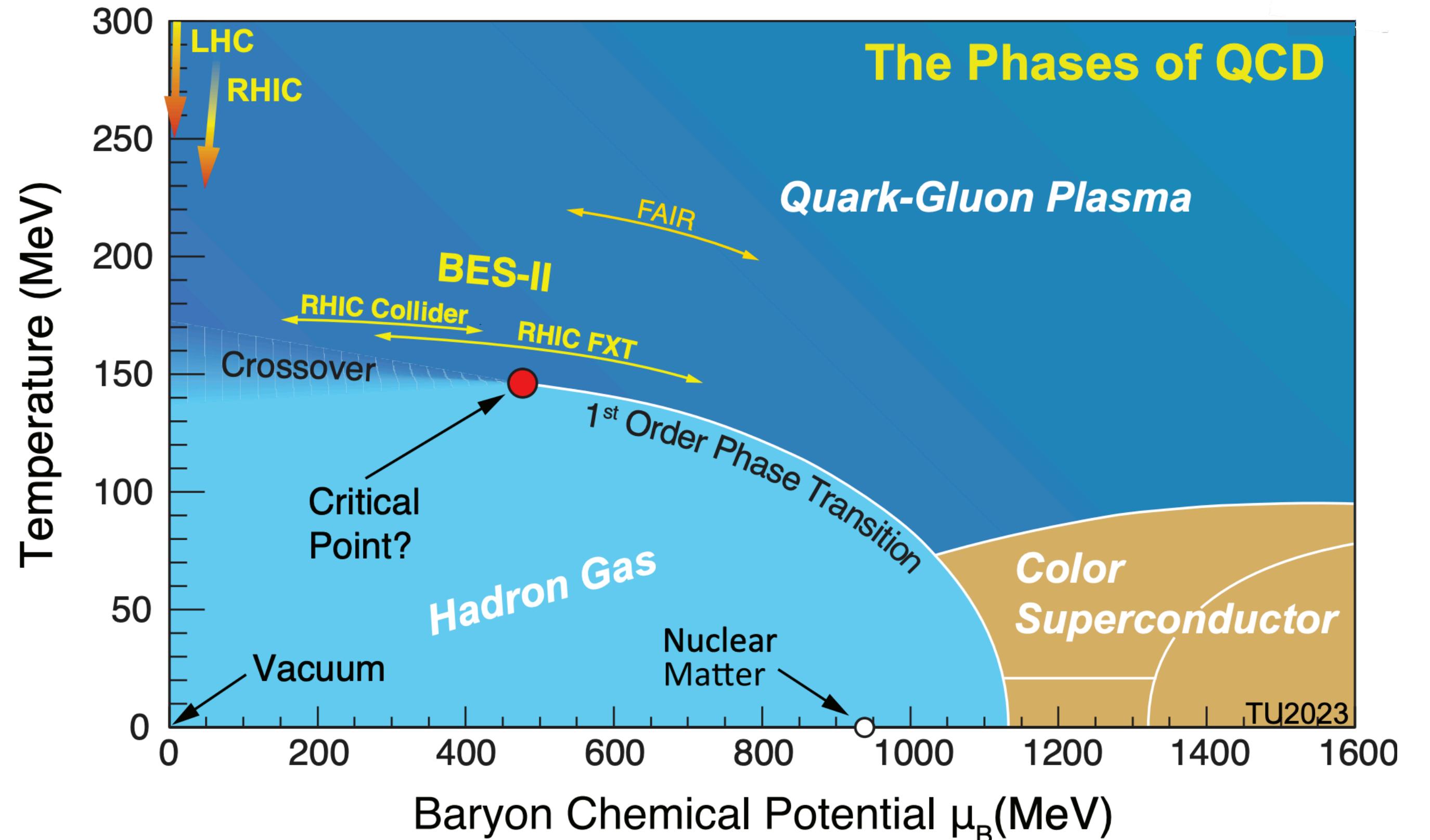
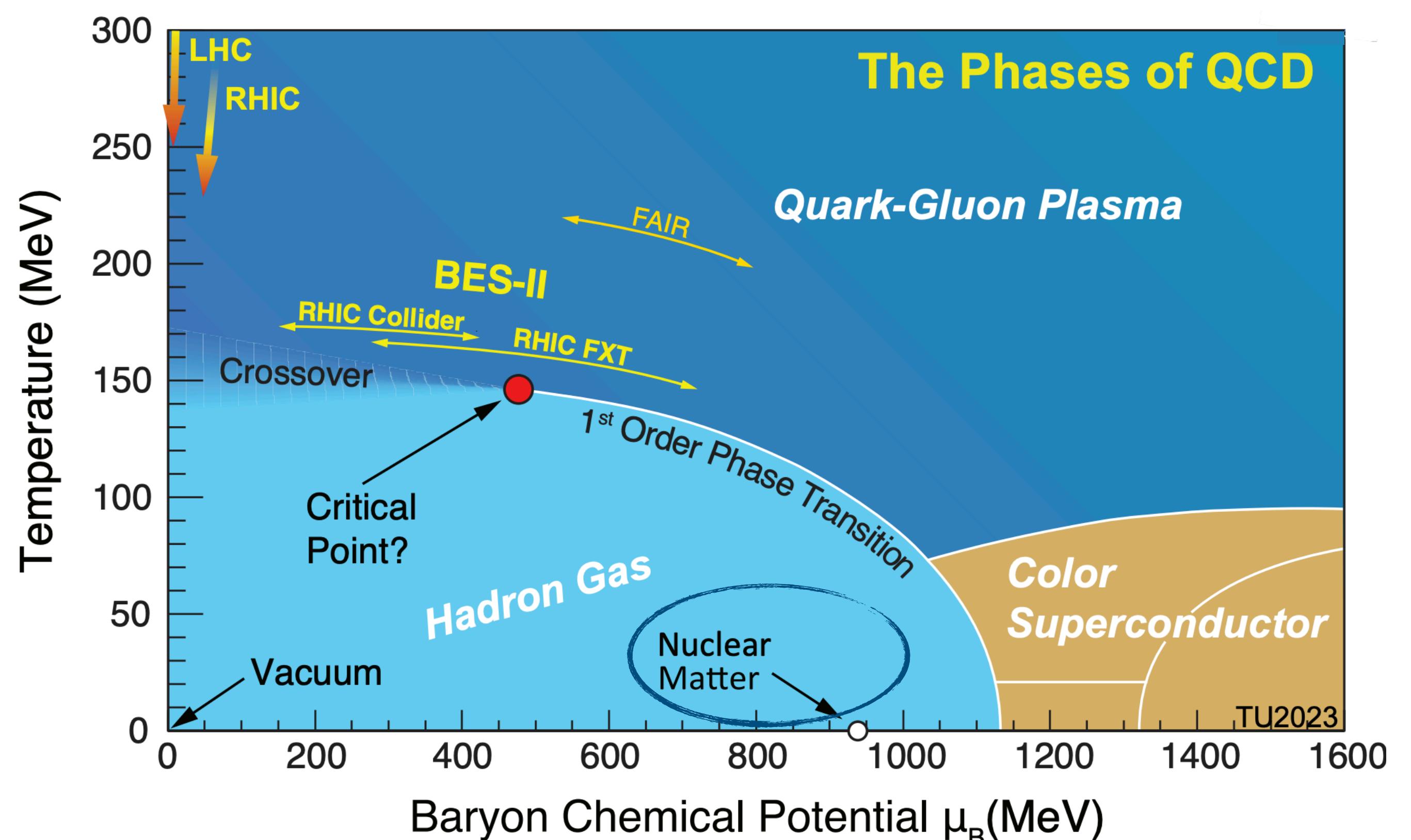


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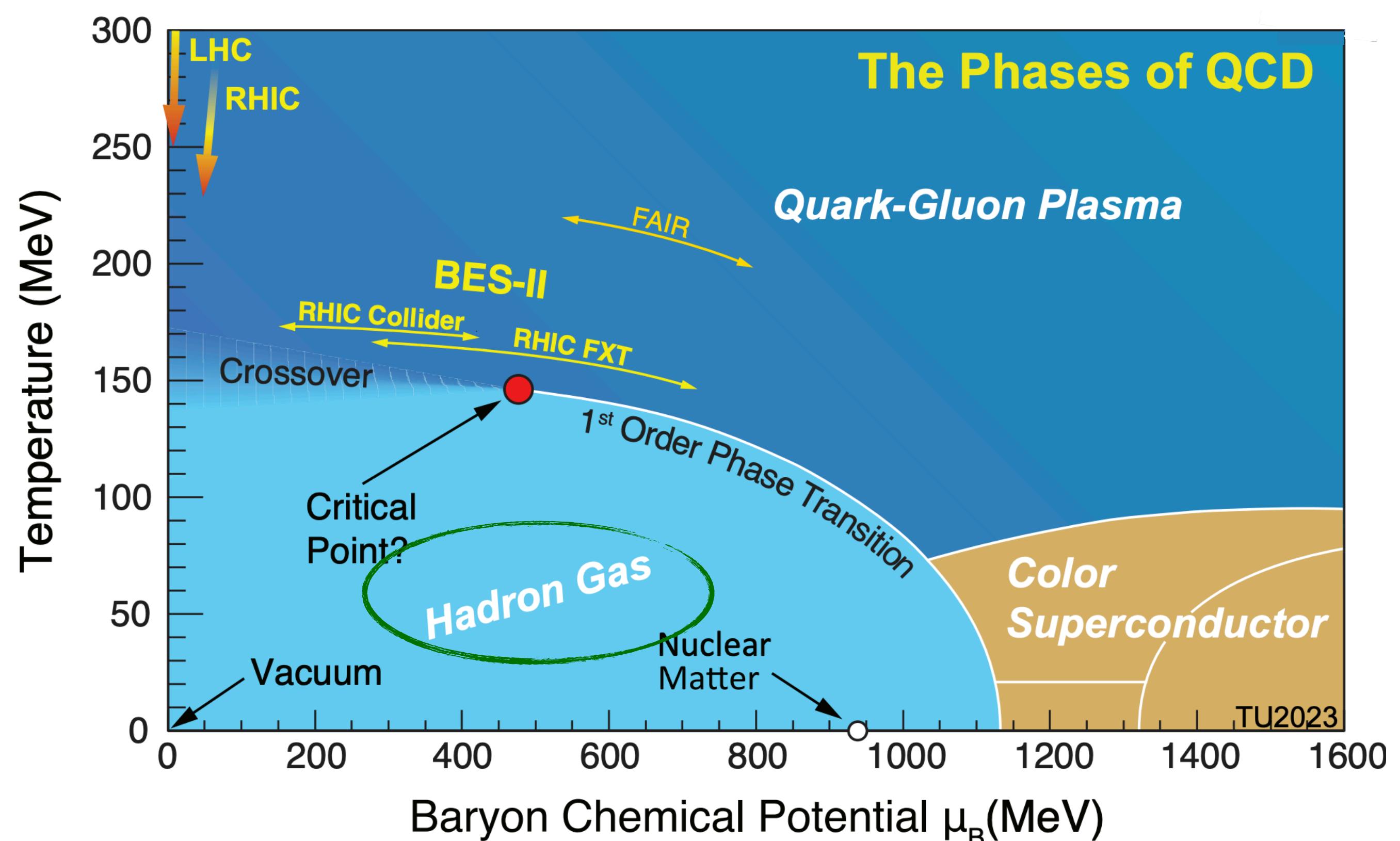
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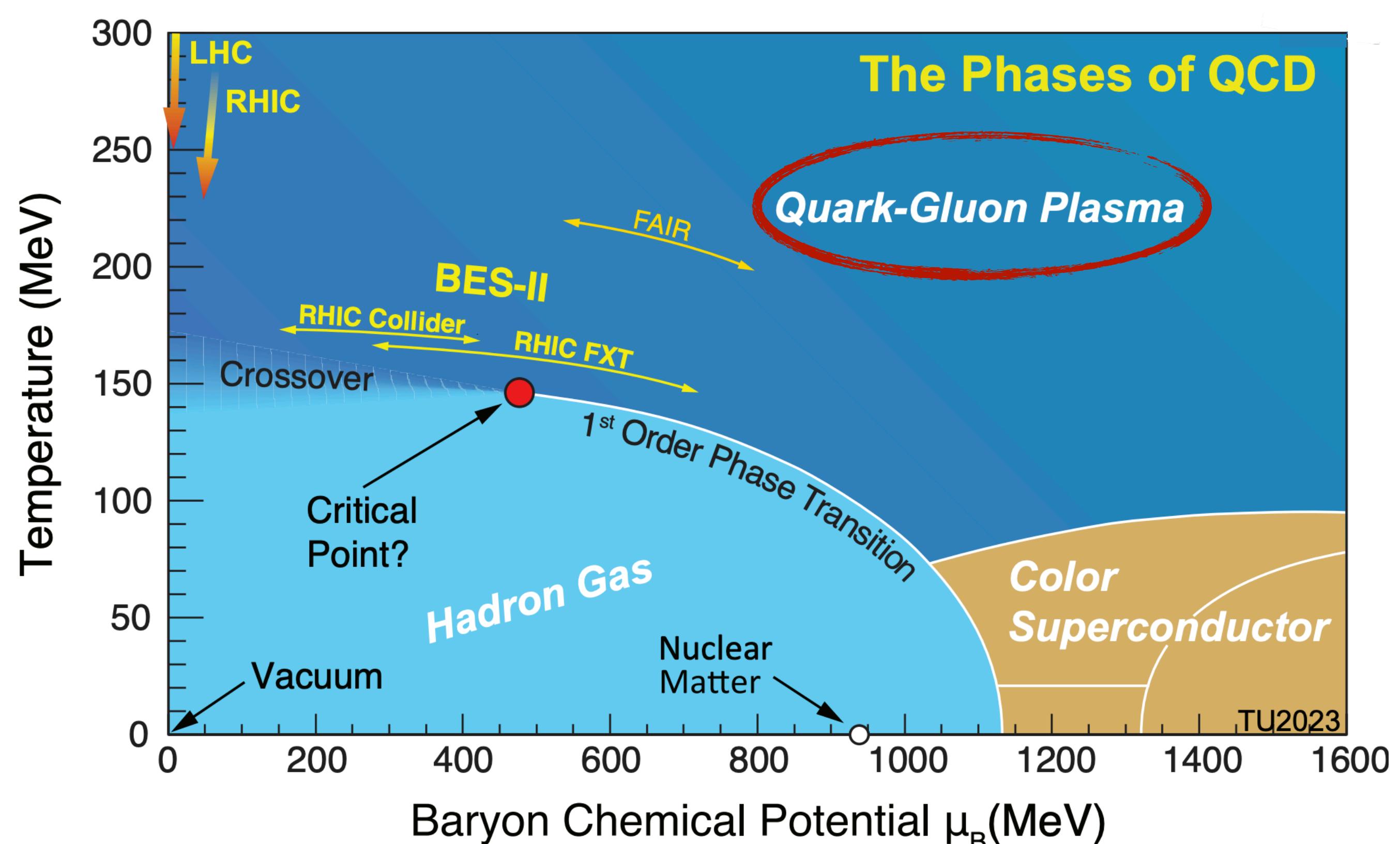
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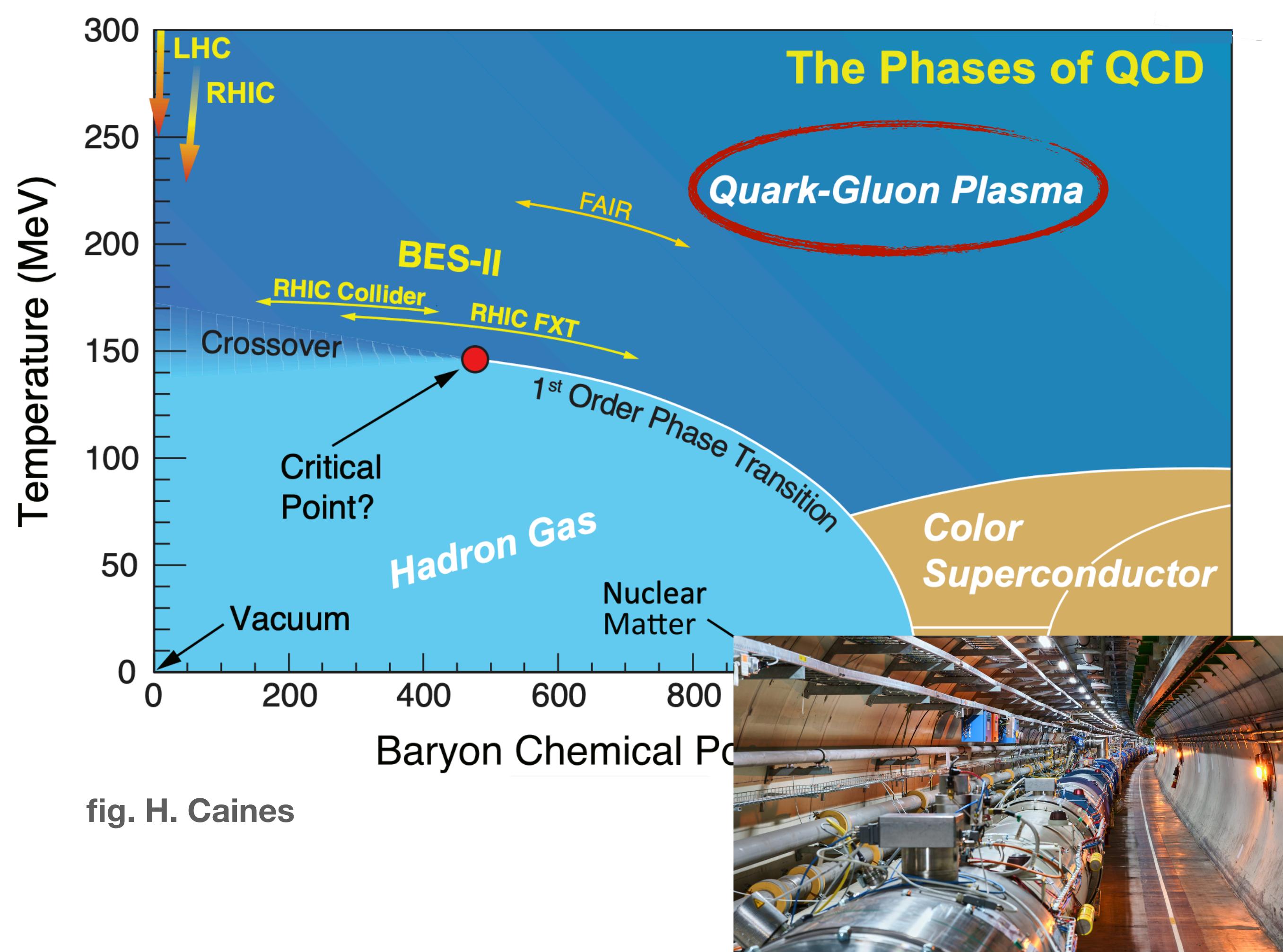


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- Created experimentally using **ultra-relativistic heavy-ion collisions**
- For one month a year, the LHC collides lead ions (Pb-Pb collisions) to study the QGP

QGP (in a nutshell)

Long-distance structure:

**QGP is a strongly-coupled liquid
(with very low viscosity)**



P. Romatschke

$$\eta/s \sim 280$$

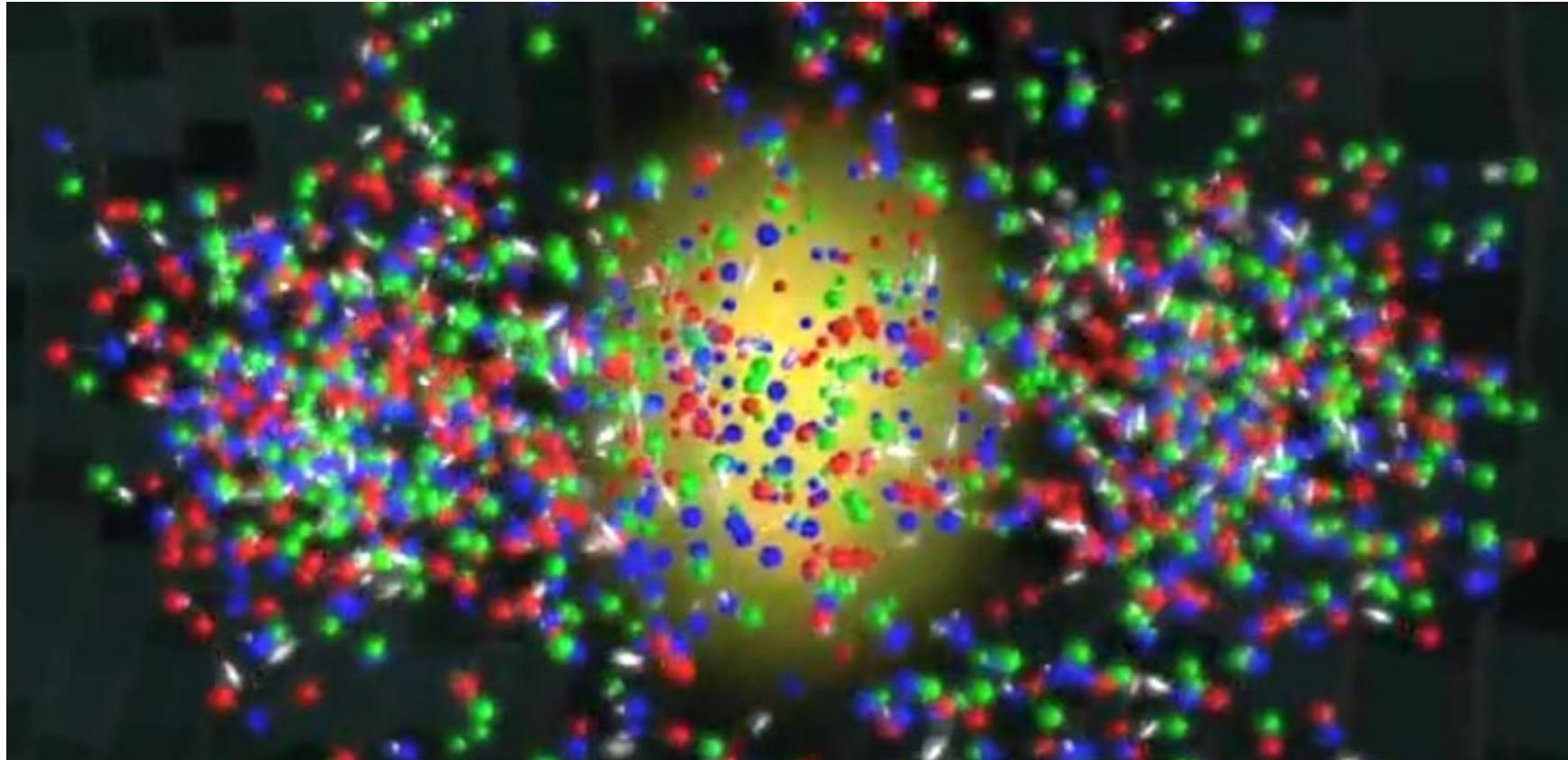
$$\eta/s \sim 0.12$$

- Lower bound from strongly-coupled gauge theory
 $\sim 1 / 4\pi \sim 0.08$

The ‘perfect liquid’!

Short distance structure:

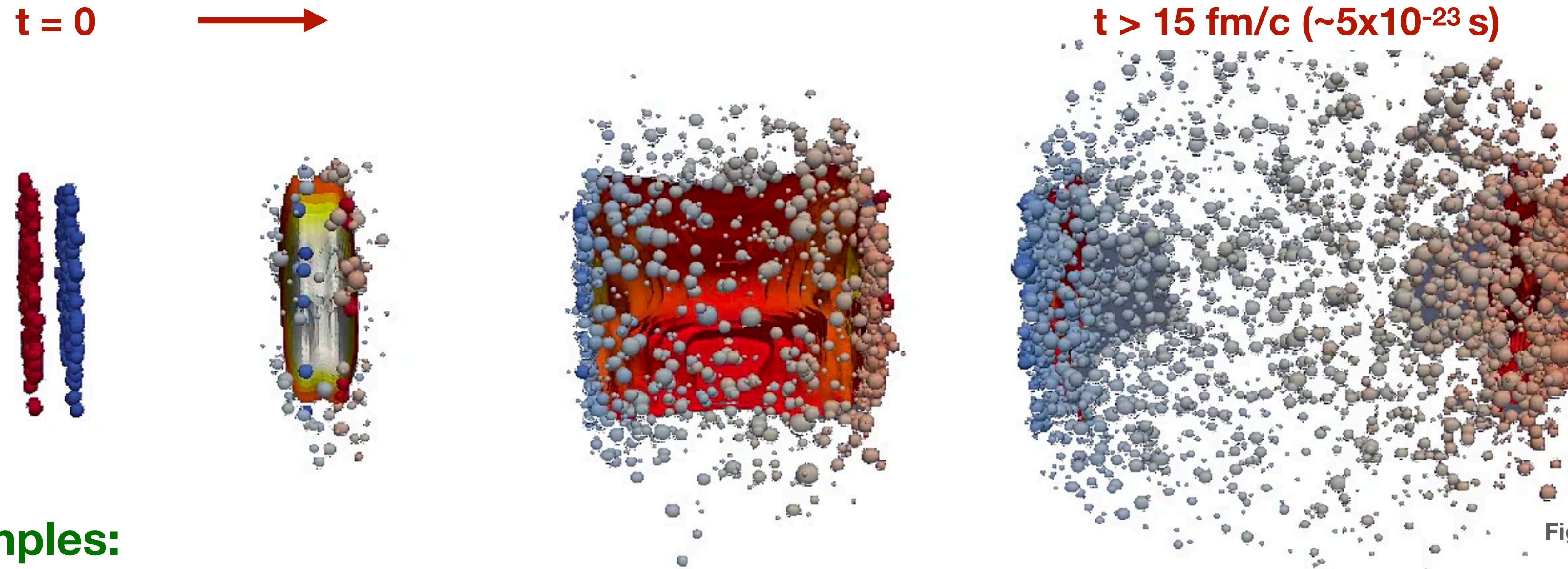
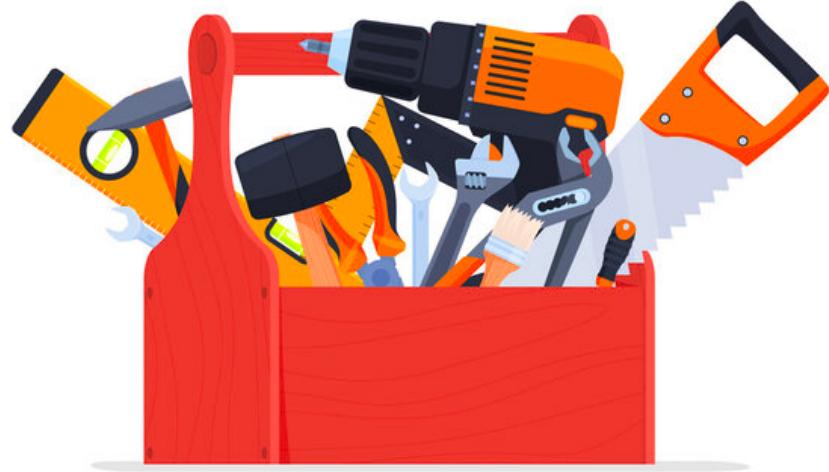
**Free quarks and gluons? Complex bound states?
degrees of freedom not yet established**



**What is the structure of the QGP as a
function of resolution scale?**

Probing the QGP

- To probe the QGP, we have many tools in our toolbox



Examples:

- Hydrodynamic flow
- Hadron chemistry and kinematics
- Electromagnetic radiation from QGP
- Quarkonium disassociation/regeneration
- Partonic interactions with QGP → heavy quarks and jets

Fig. MADA1 collaboration

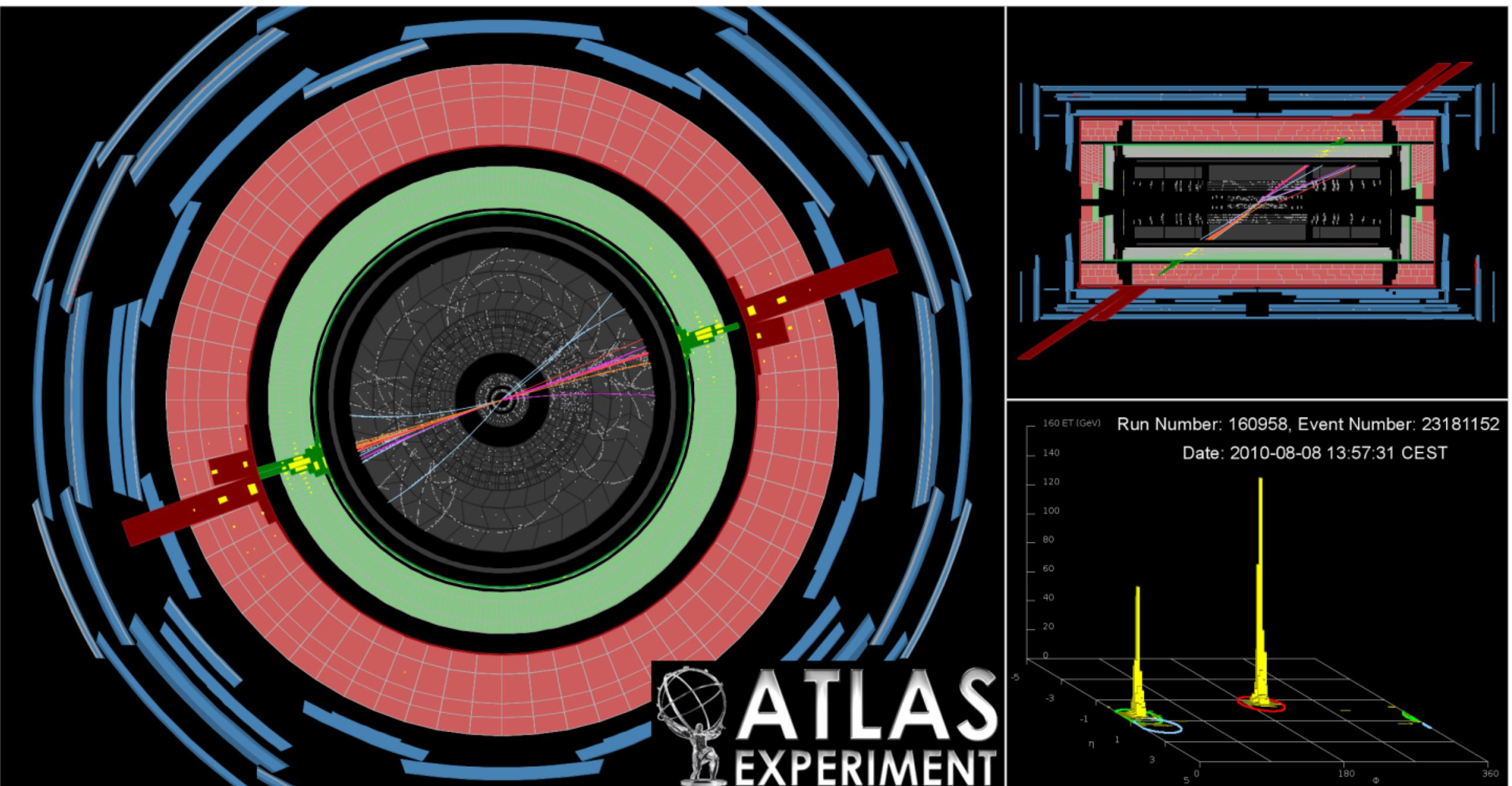
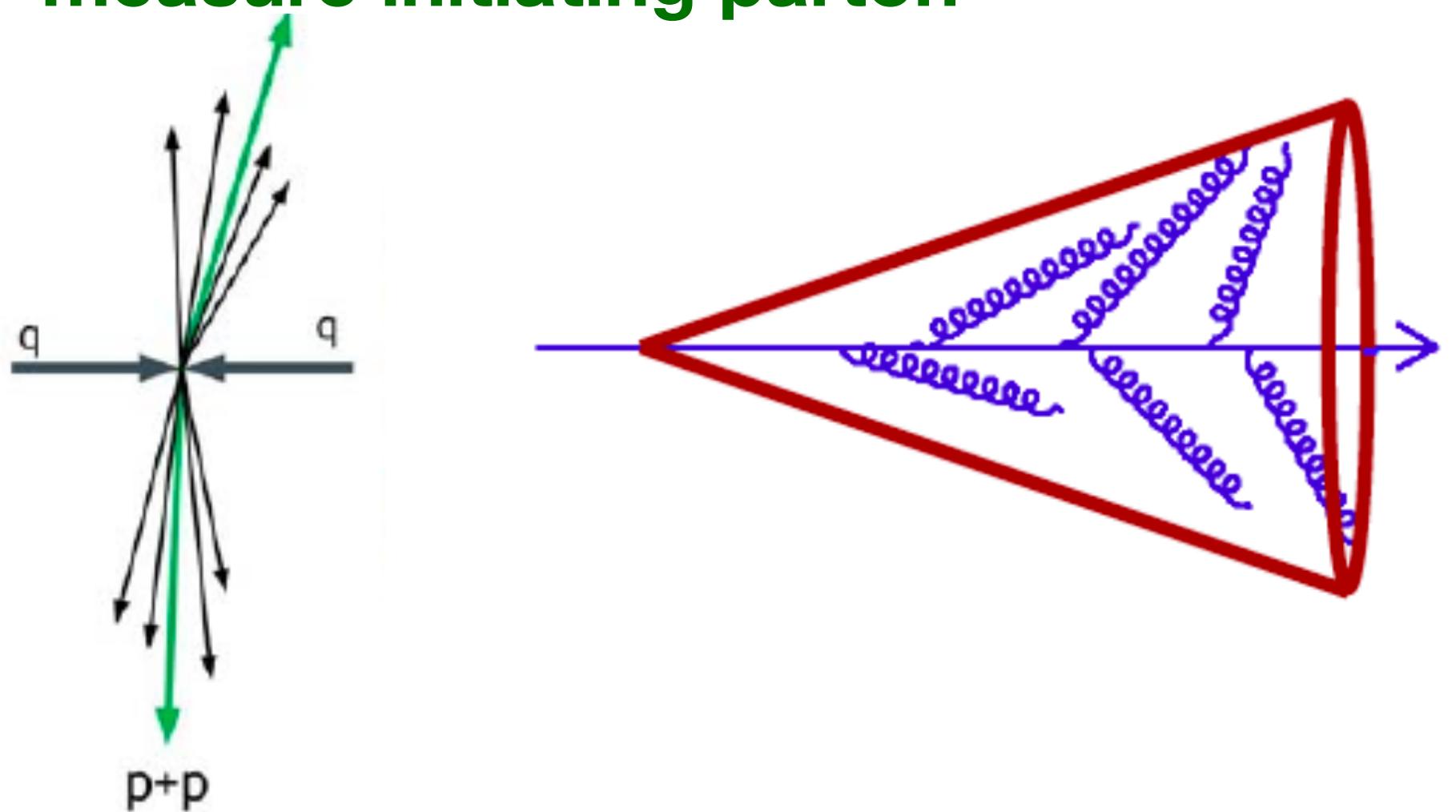
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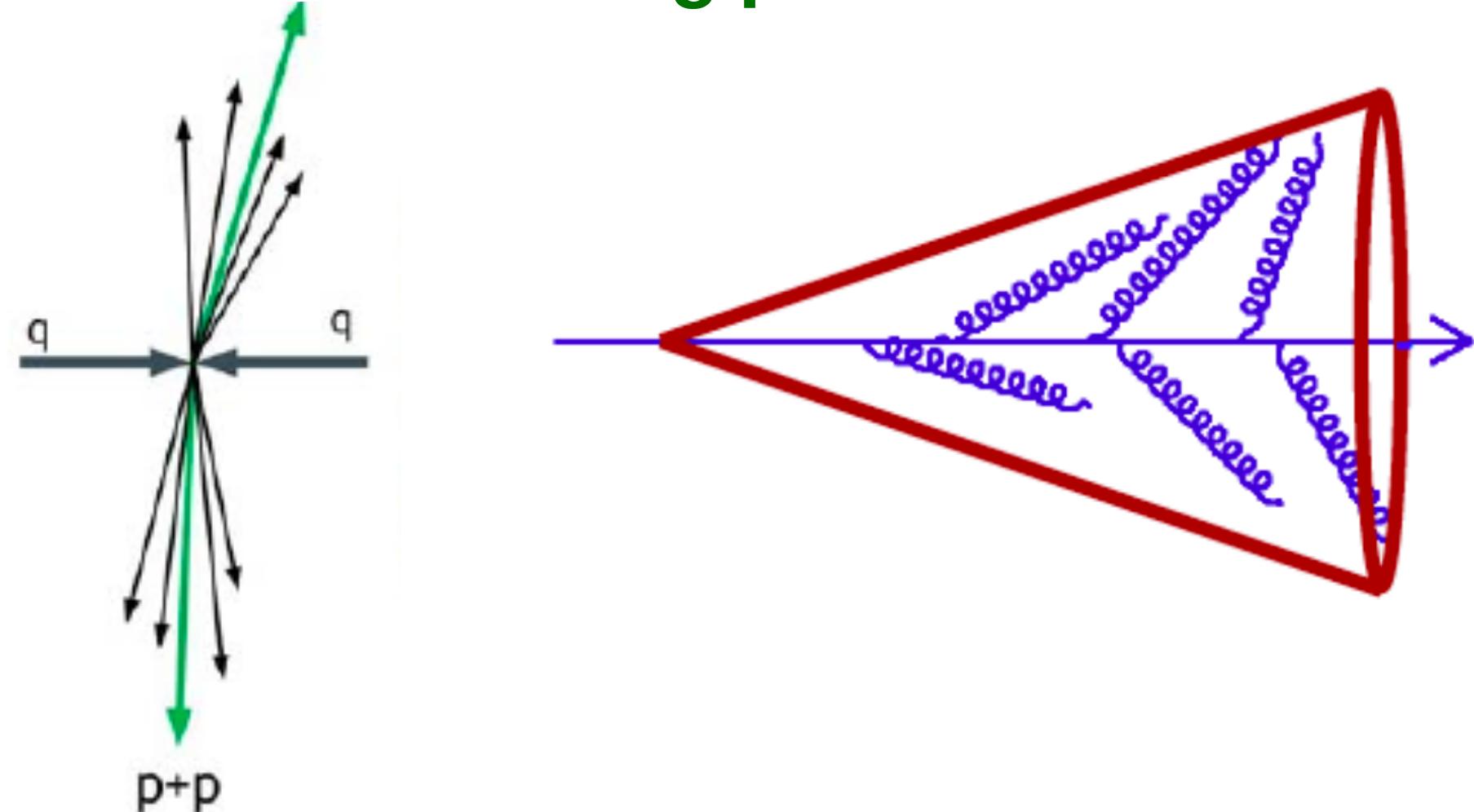
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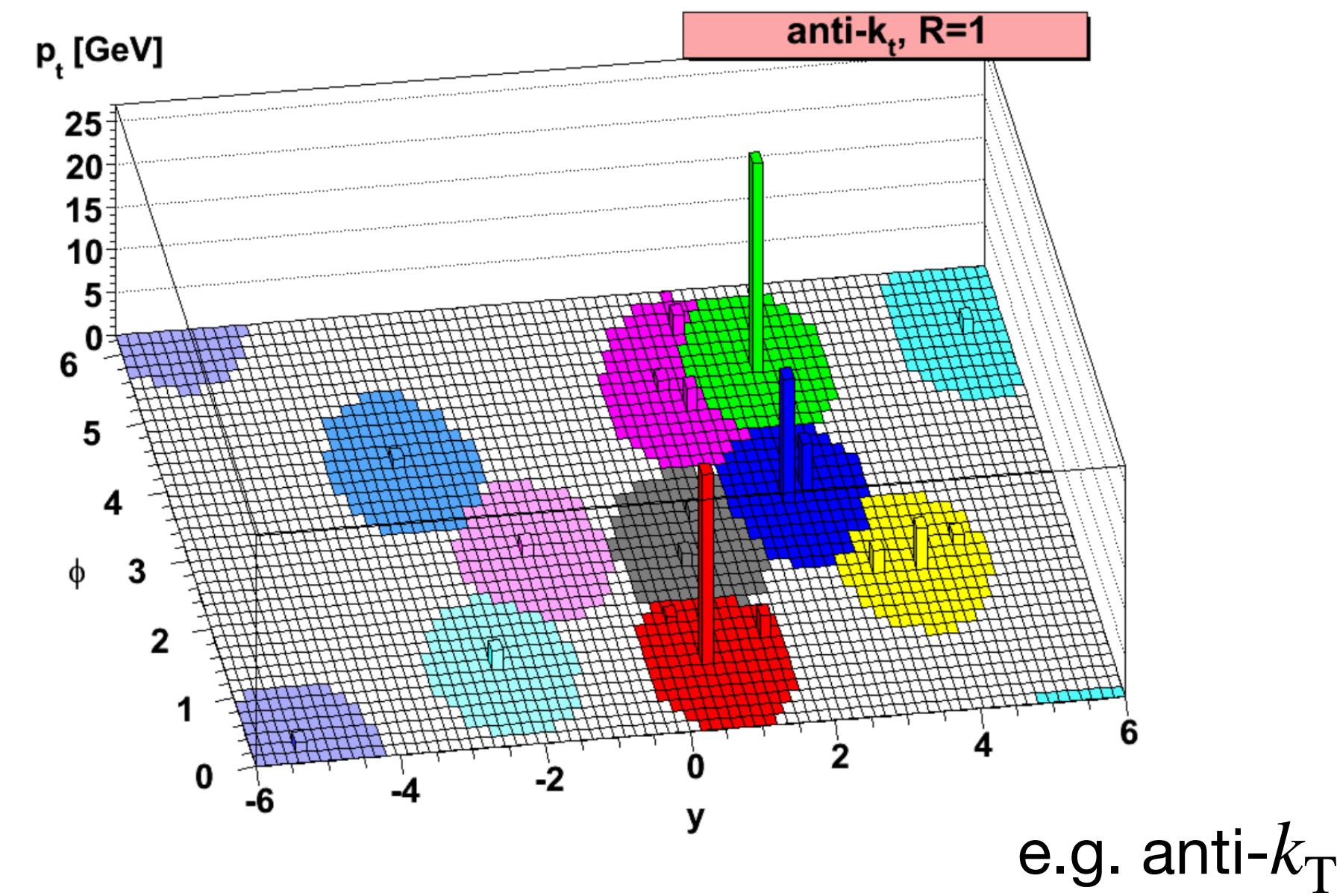
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Jet algorithms - precise connection between QCD theory and experiment

- Cluster hadrons measured by our detector, with specified resolution parameter R
~ cone radius
- Should be insensitive to soft/collinear radiation



M. Cacciari, G. Salam, G. Soyez, JHEP 04 (2008) 063

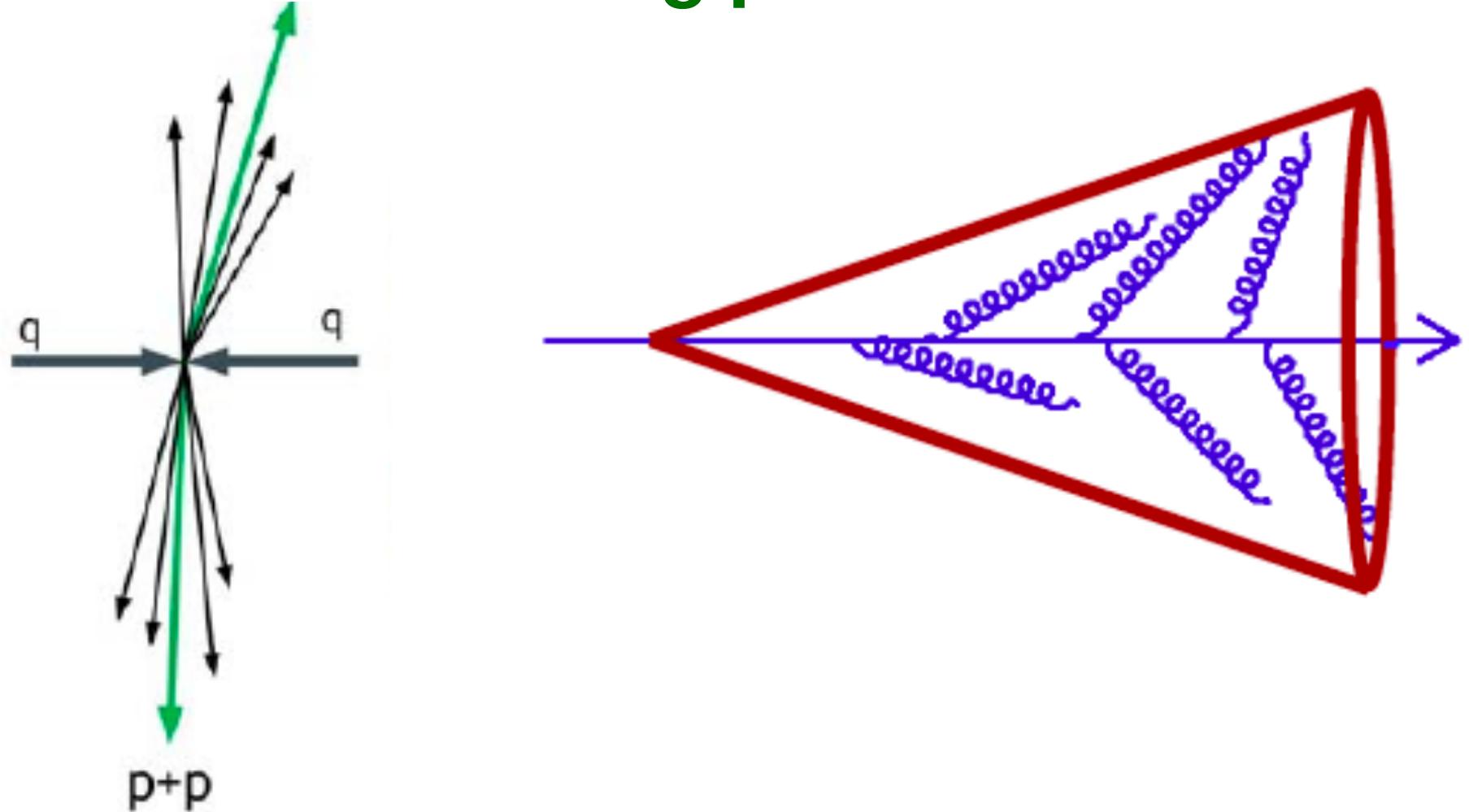
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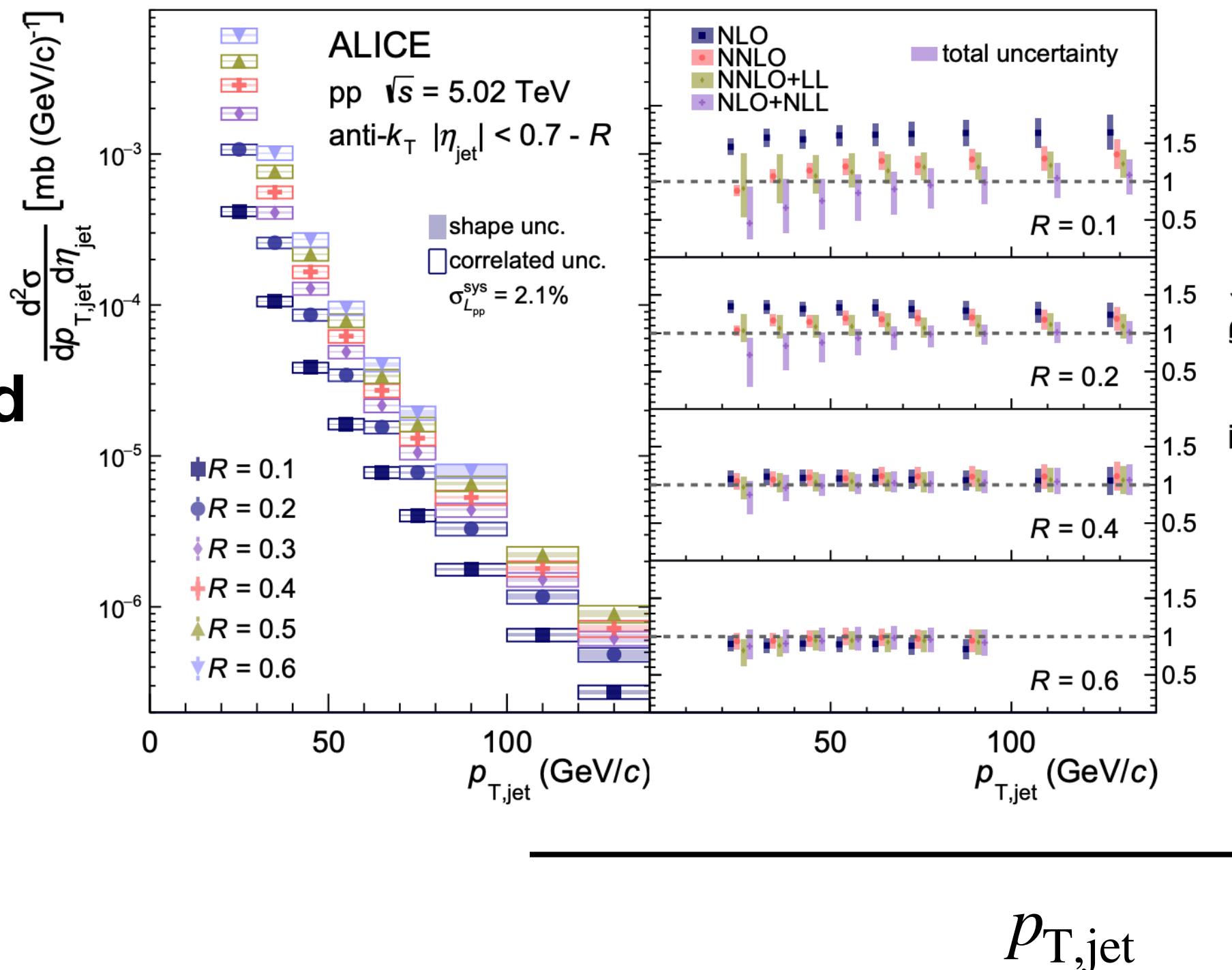
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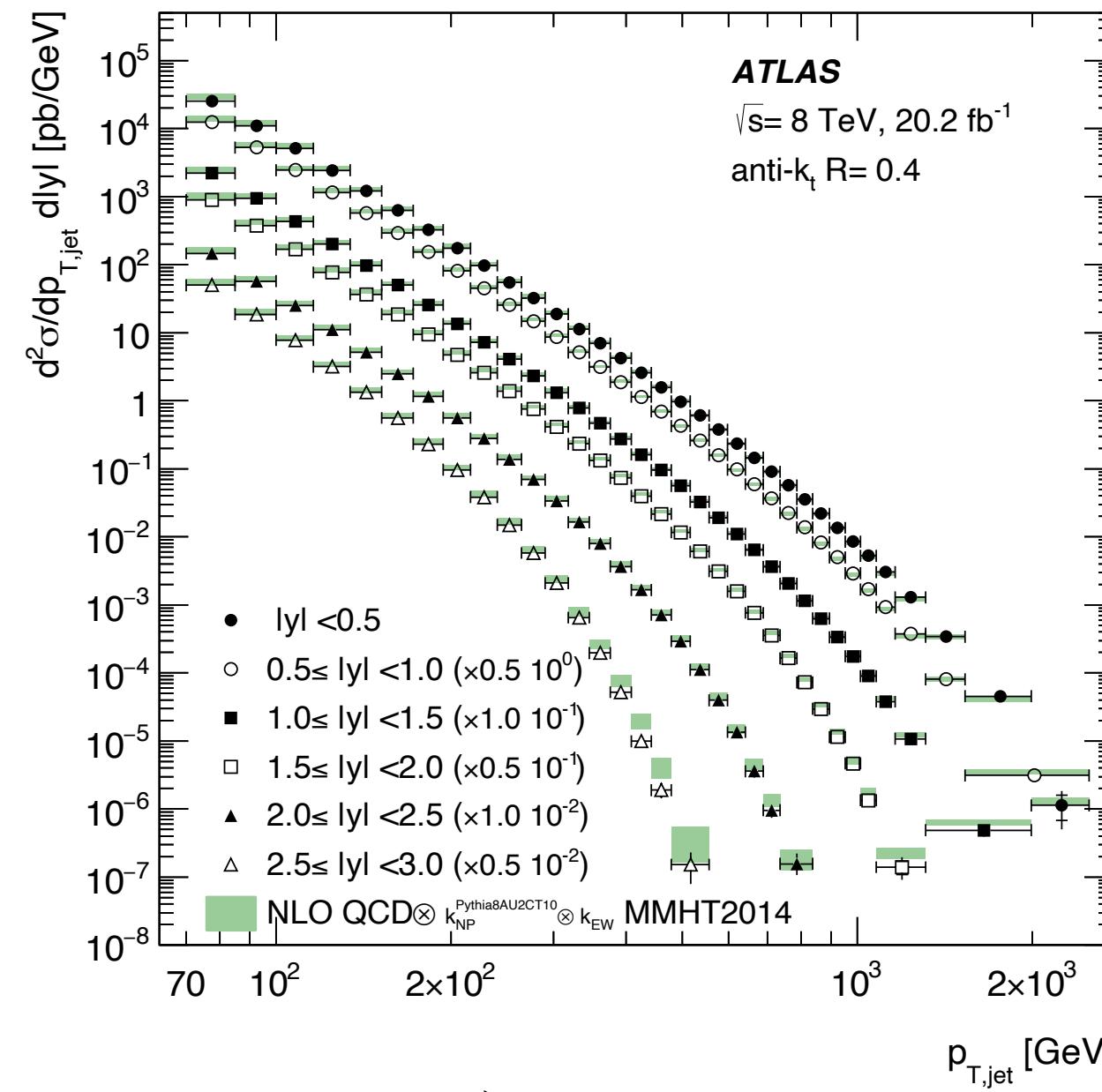
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ALICE: arxiv:2211.04384



ATLAS: JHEP 09 (2017) 020



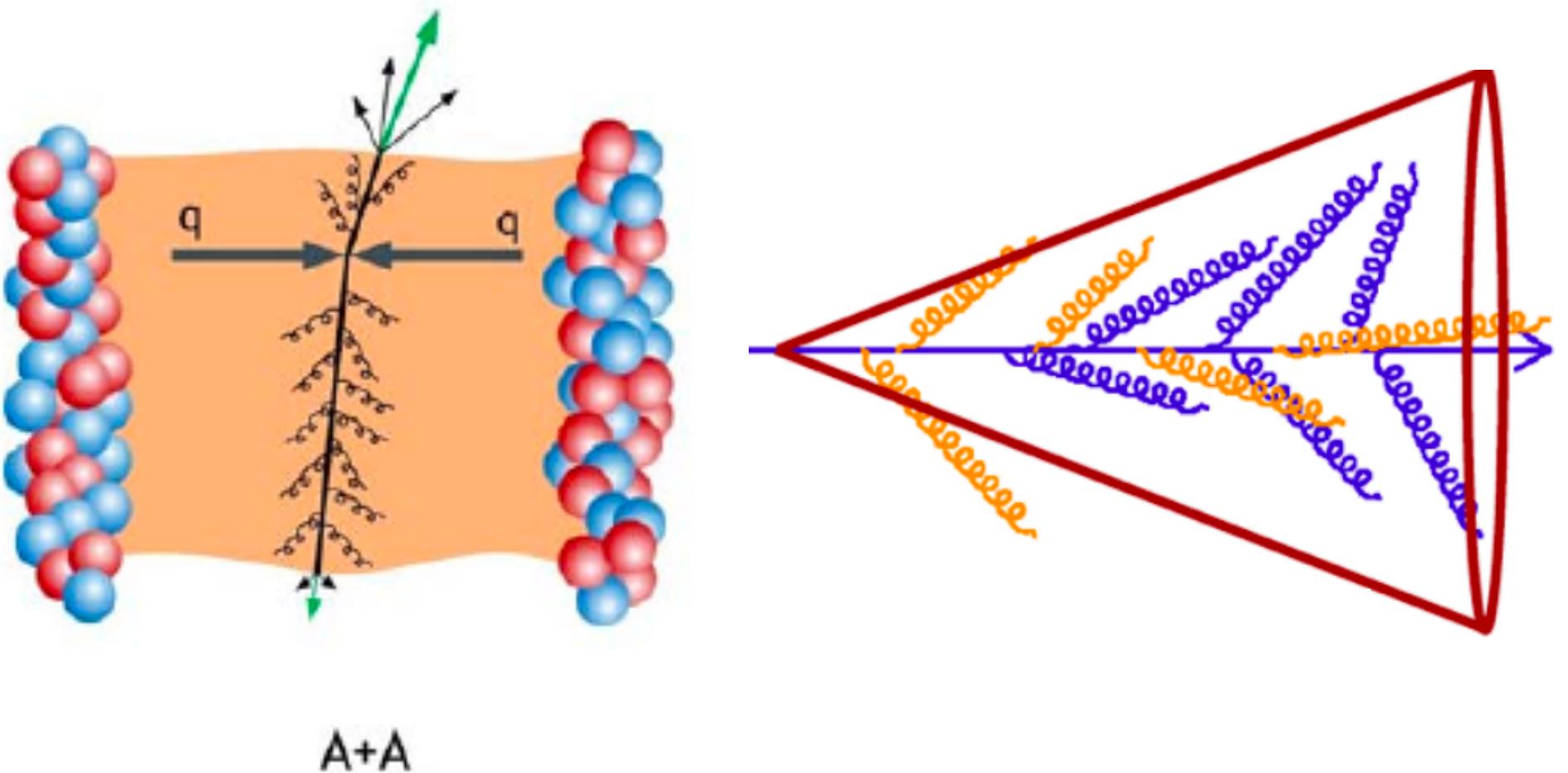
Production and evolution well understood over many orders of magnitude
→ huge achievement of QCD

Jets (in medium)

'Jet quenching' - partonic interactions in the QGP

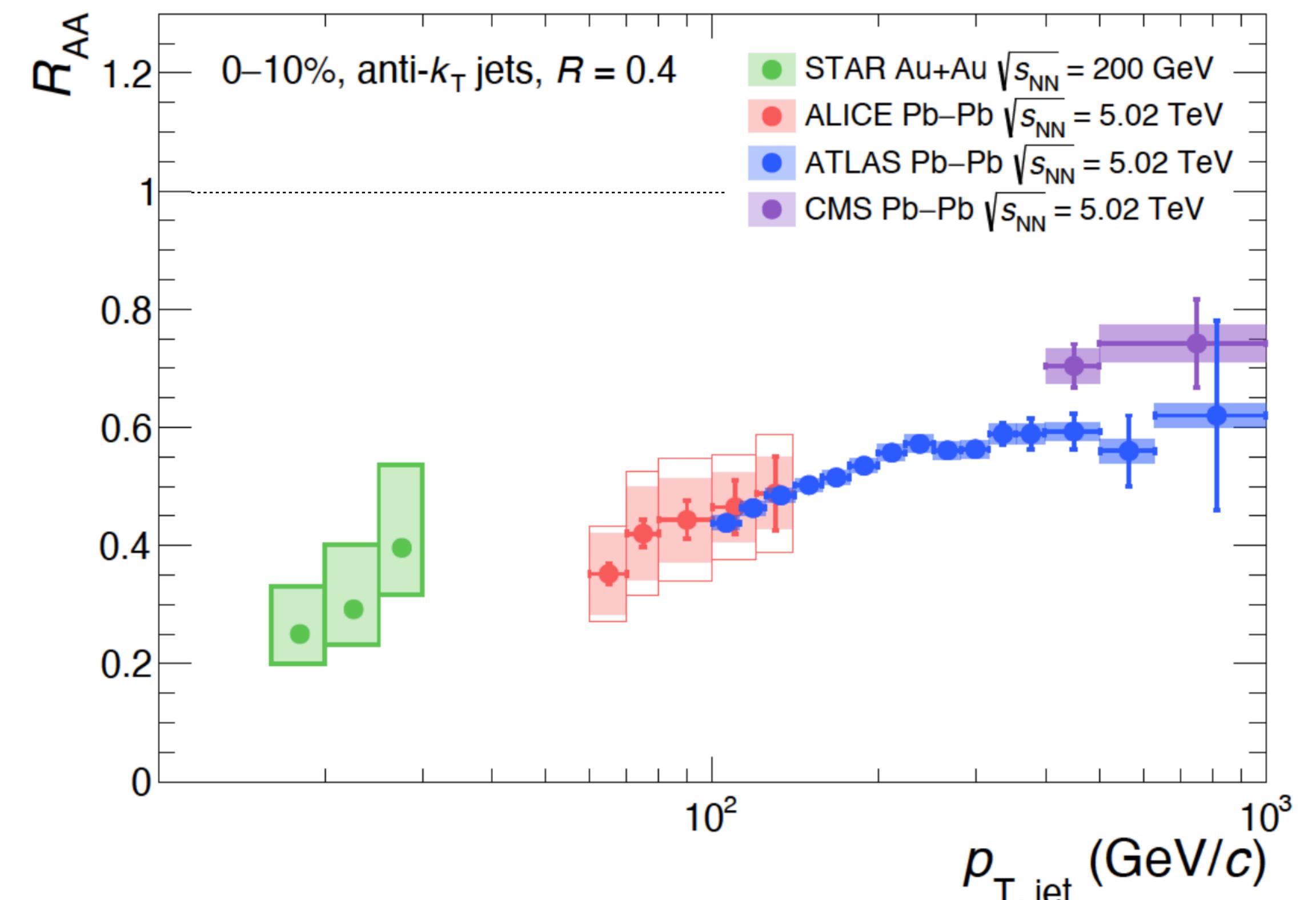
- inelastic (medium-induced gluon emission) and elastic (collisional) processes over full parton shower

Jets provide unique probes of the QGP at multiple scales



$$R_{AA} = \frac{\text{Yield(PbPb)}}{\langle N_{\text{coll}} \rangle \times \text{Yield(pp)}}$$

J. Harris, B. Müller, arxiv:2308.05743



$R_{AA} < 1$ - suppression w.r.t. pp

Modelling of jet quenching: limiting cases

pQCD approach

- Jet-medium interaction described by scattering matrix elements
- Include additional medium-induced radiation

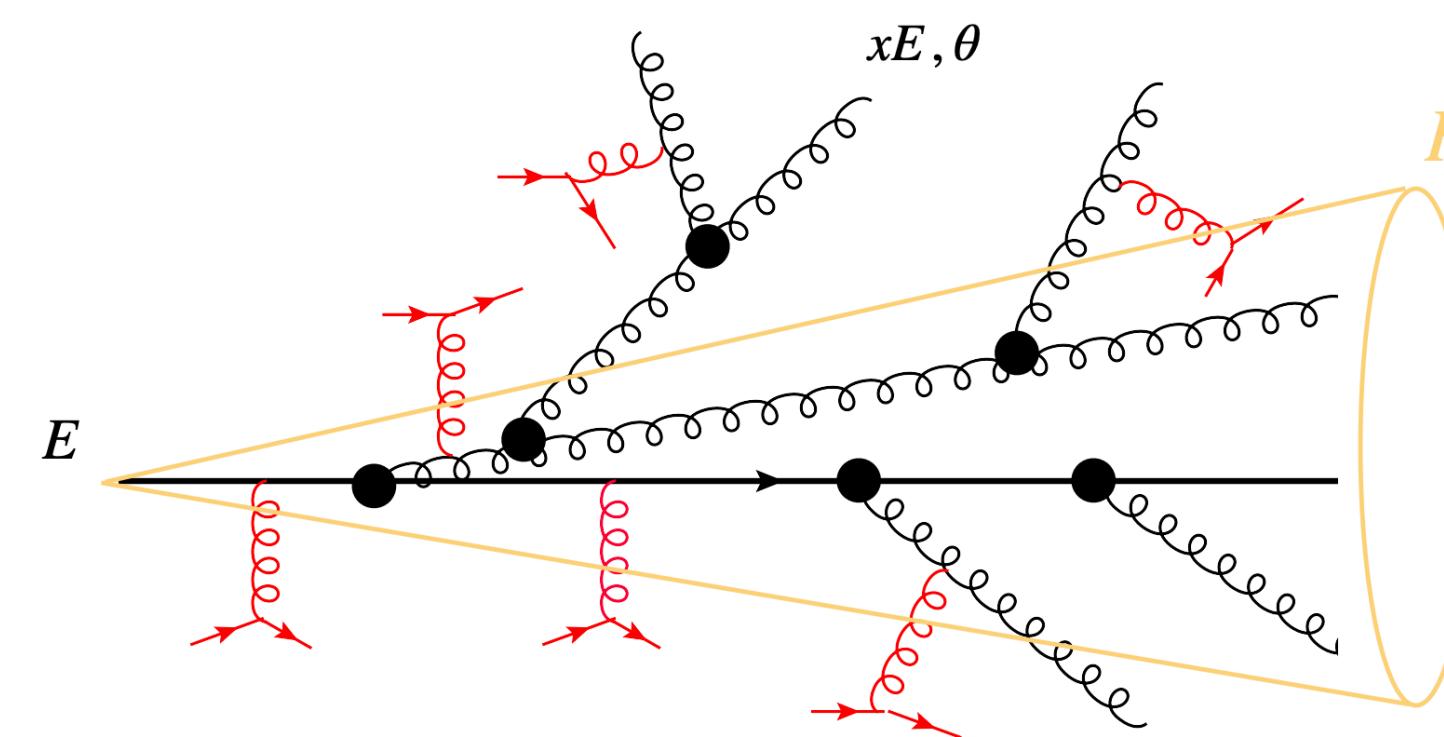


Fig. Y. Mehtar-Tani, S. Schlichting, I. Soudi, JHEP05 (2023) 091

Non-perturbative description

- Soft jet-medium interactions through gauge-gravity duality (AdS/CFT) to describe strongly-coupled plasma

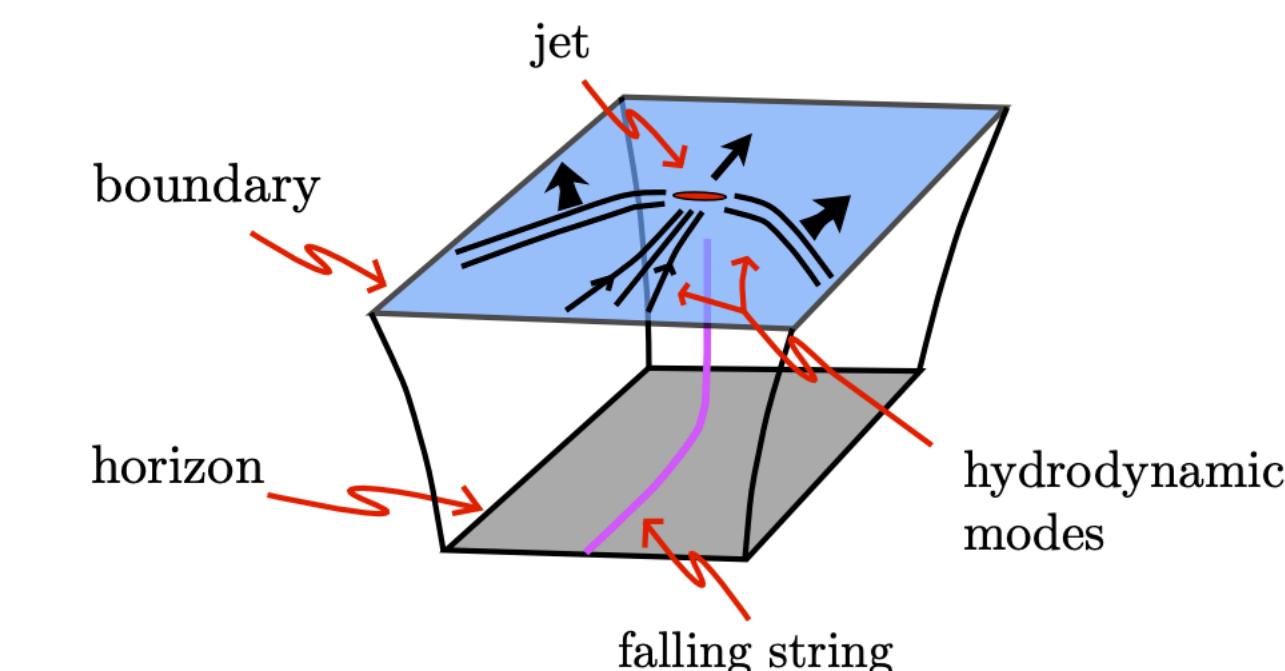


Fig. P. Chesler, K. Rajagopal, JHEP 05 (2016) 098

Implementation in Monte Carlo generators: simulation of initial state, medium fluid dynamics, multi-stage jet evolution, hadronisation...

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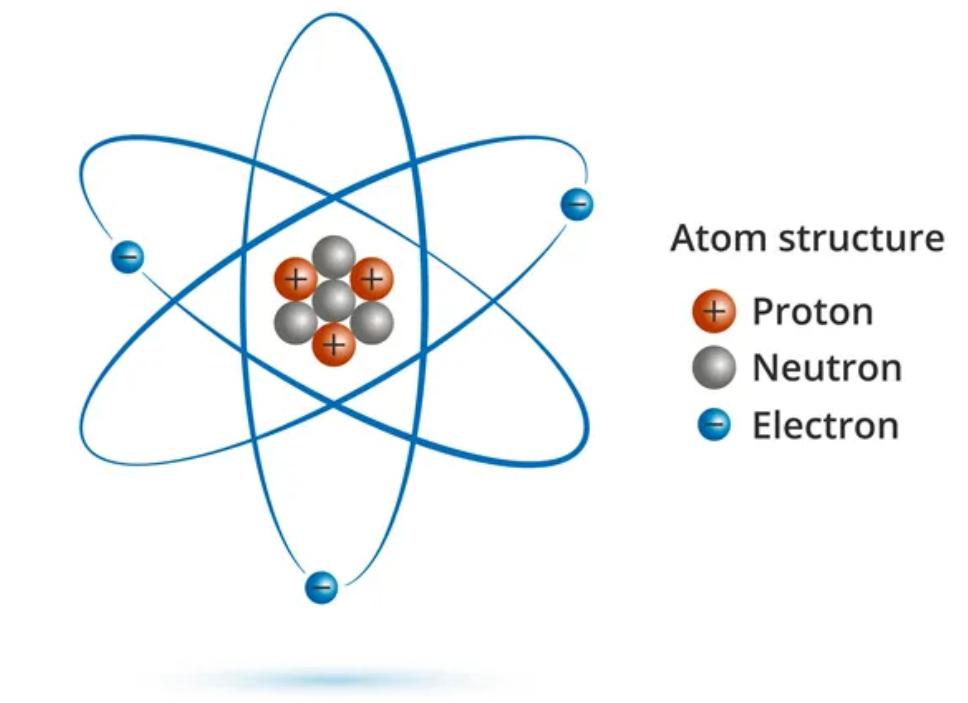
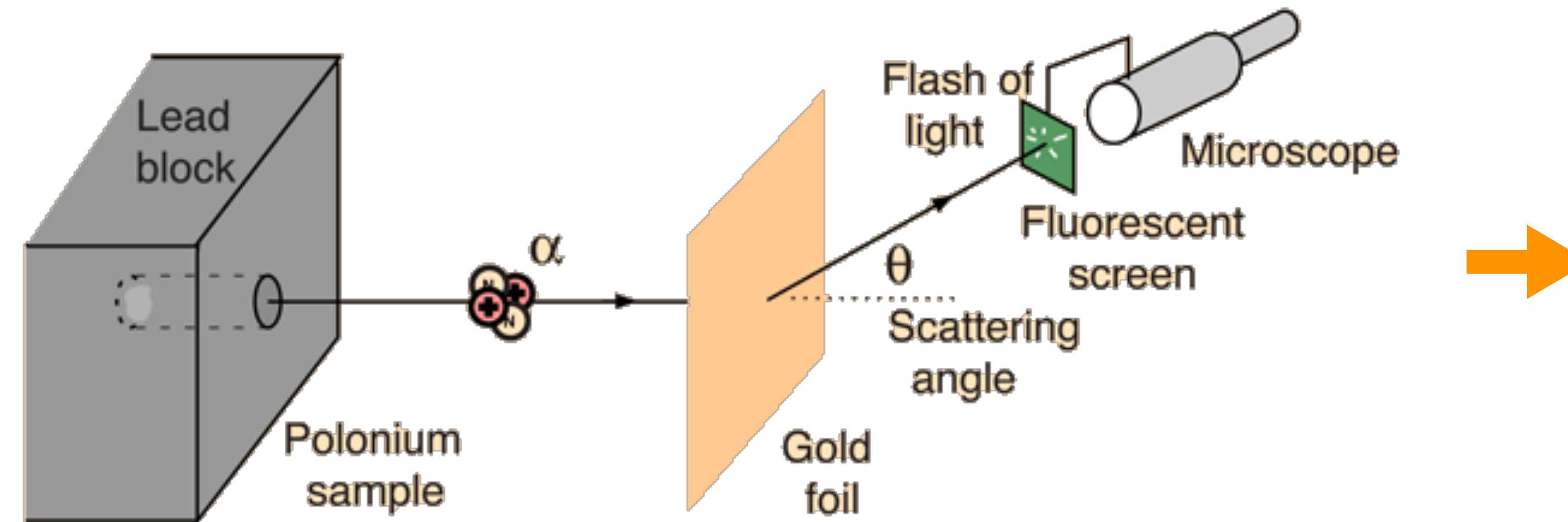
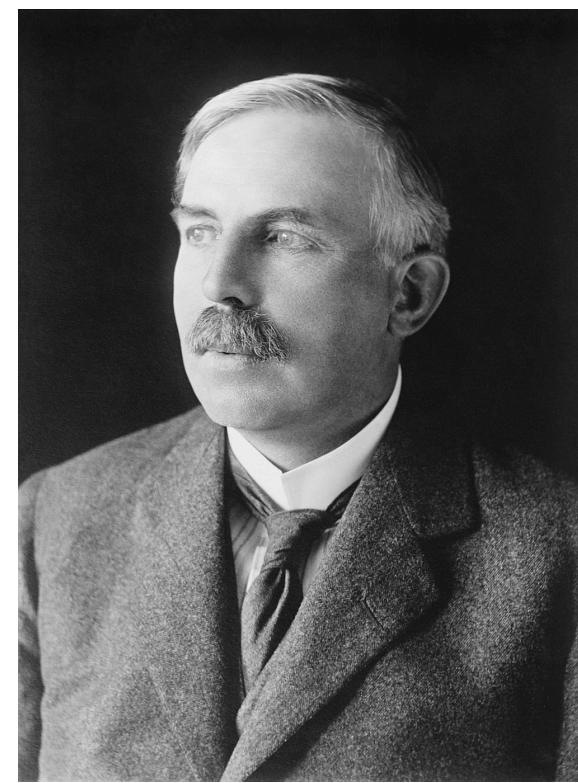
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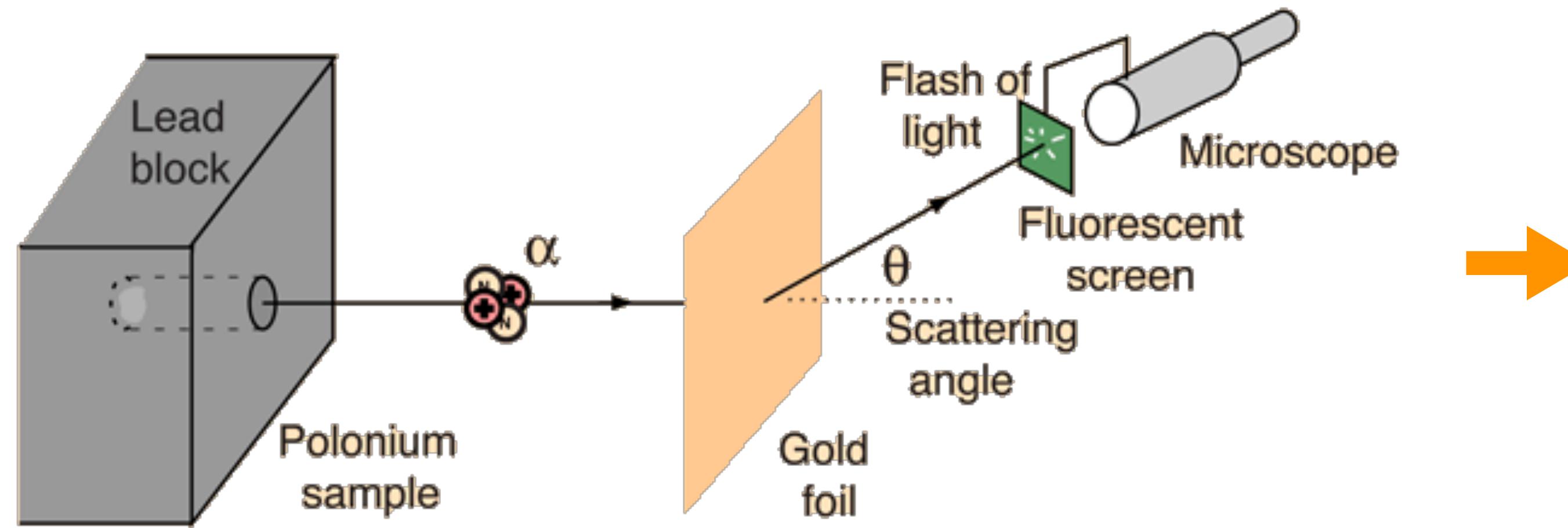
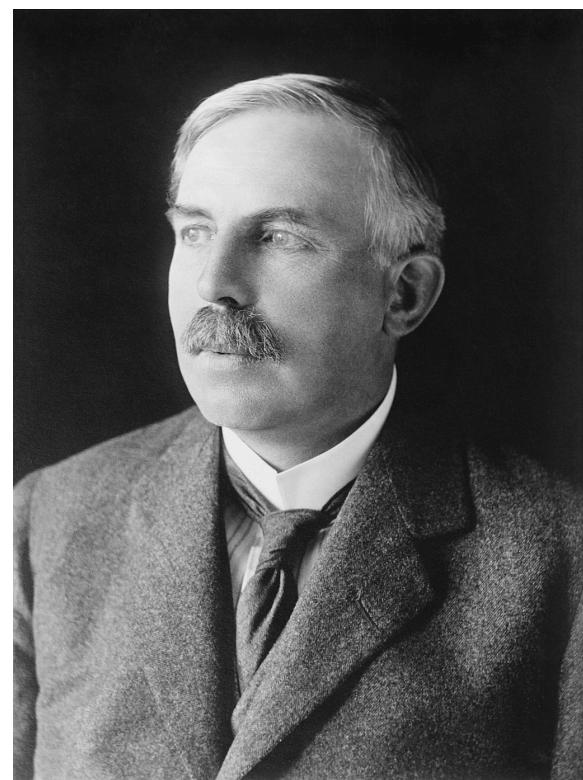
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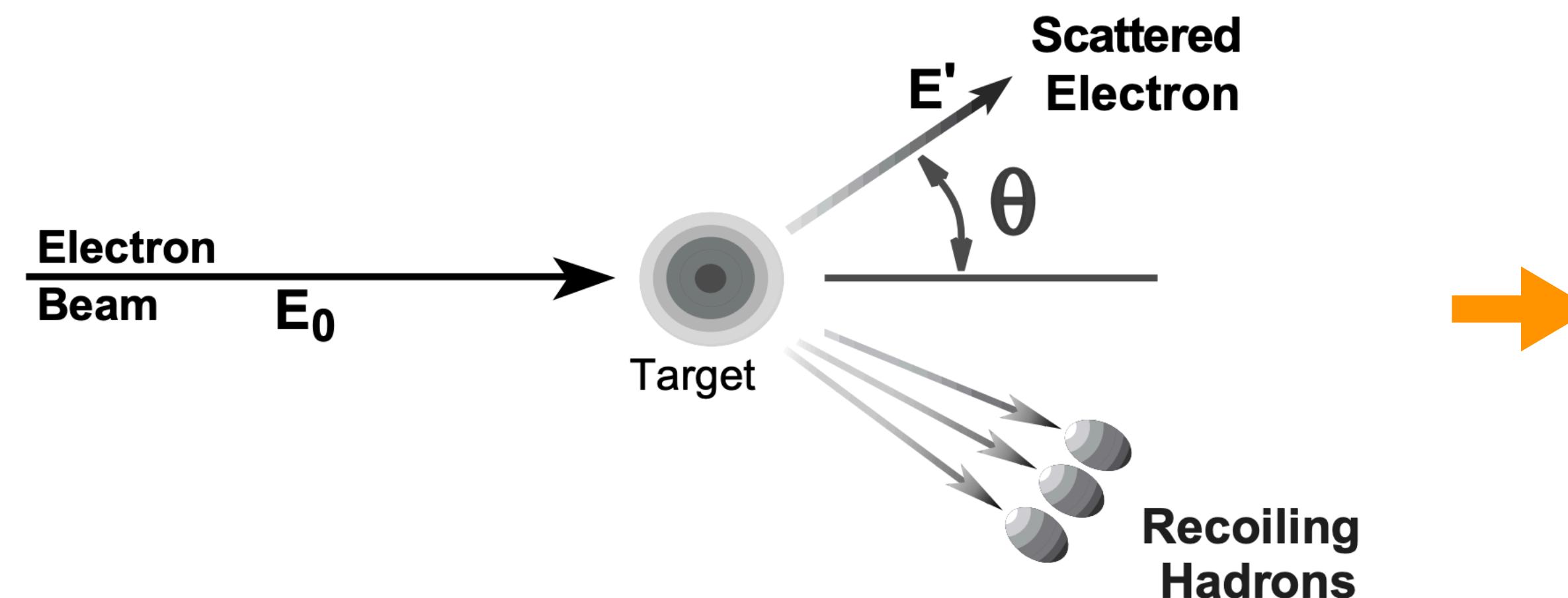
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Atom structure
Proton
Neutron
Electron

SLAC, 1968



Hadron structure

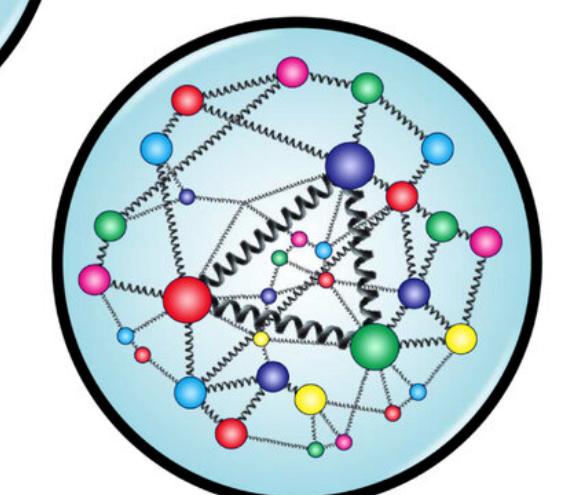


Fig. R.E. Taylor

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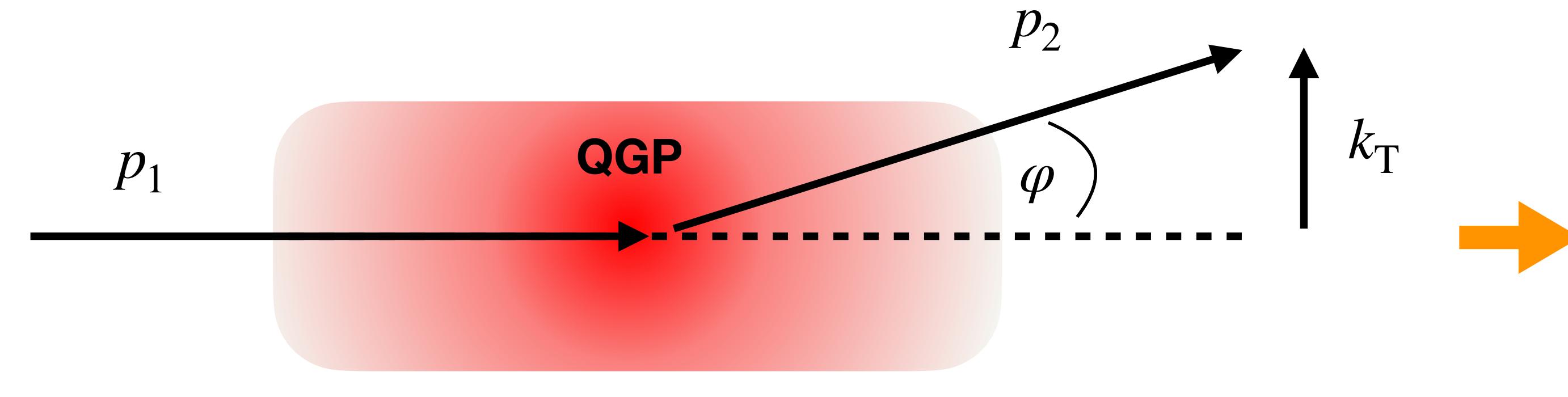
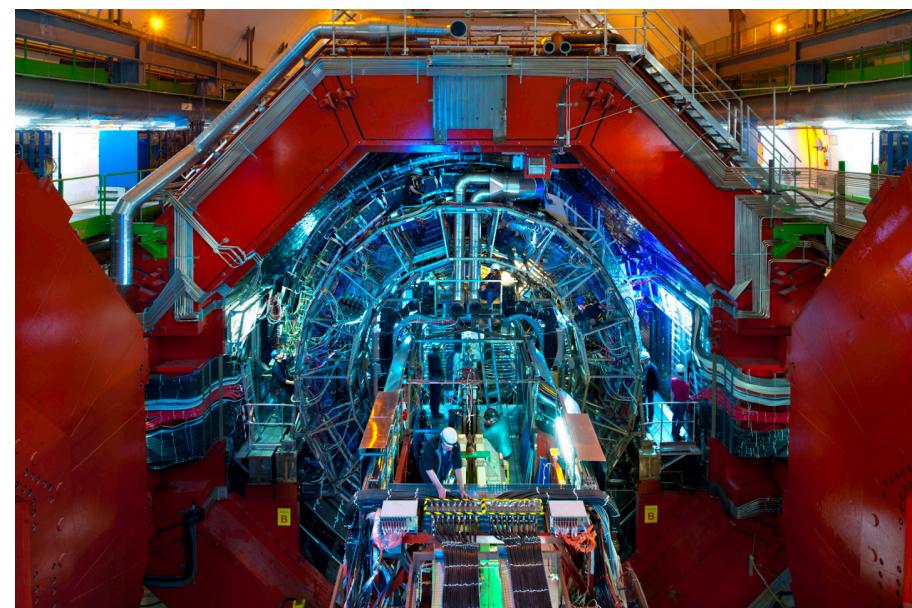


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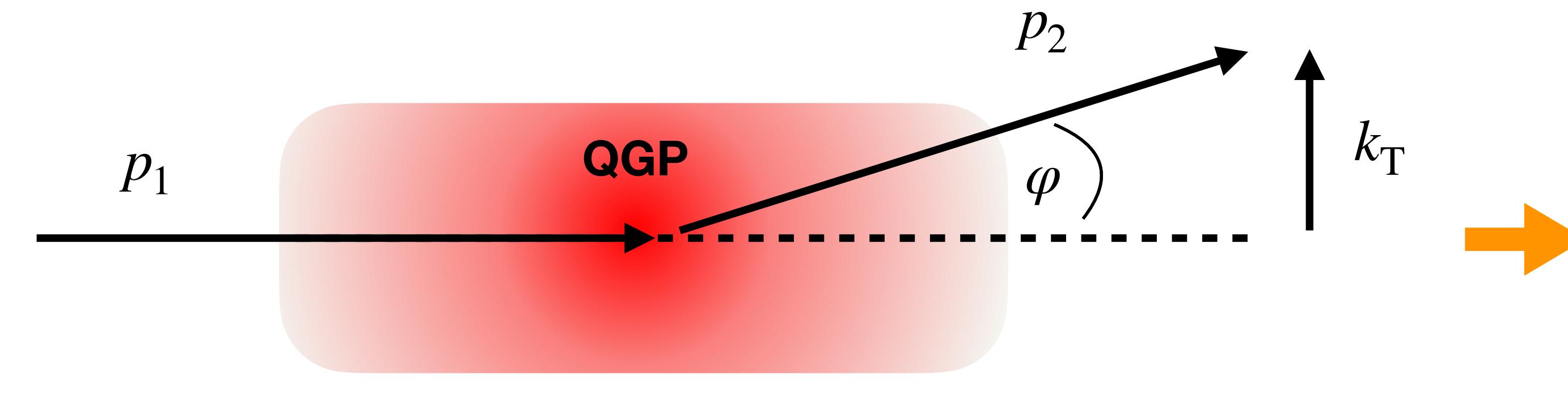
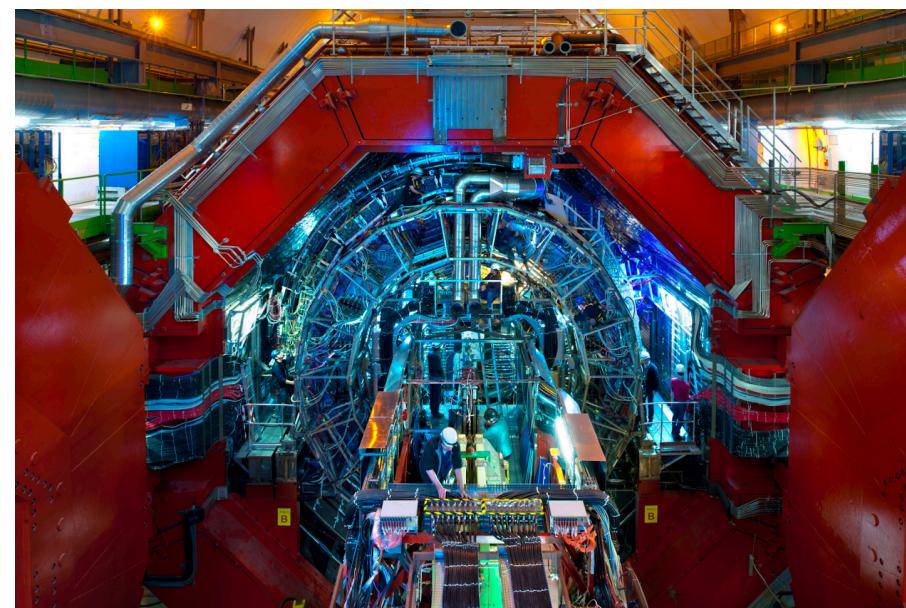
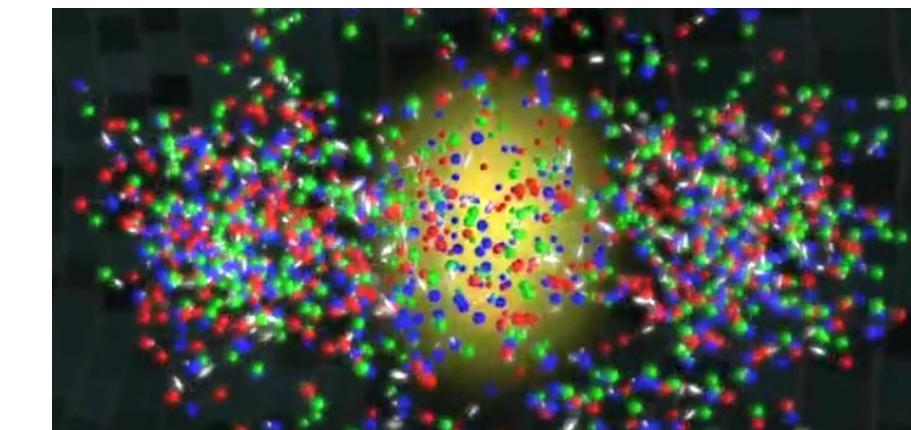


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Jets suited for this task - high energy ‘probe’ which experiences full evolution of the system

- Compare measurements in heavy-ion collisions to a ‘vacuum’ reference made in proton-proton collisions

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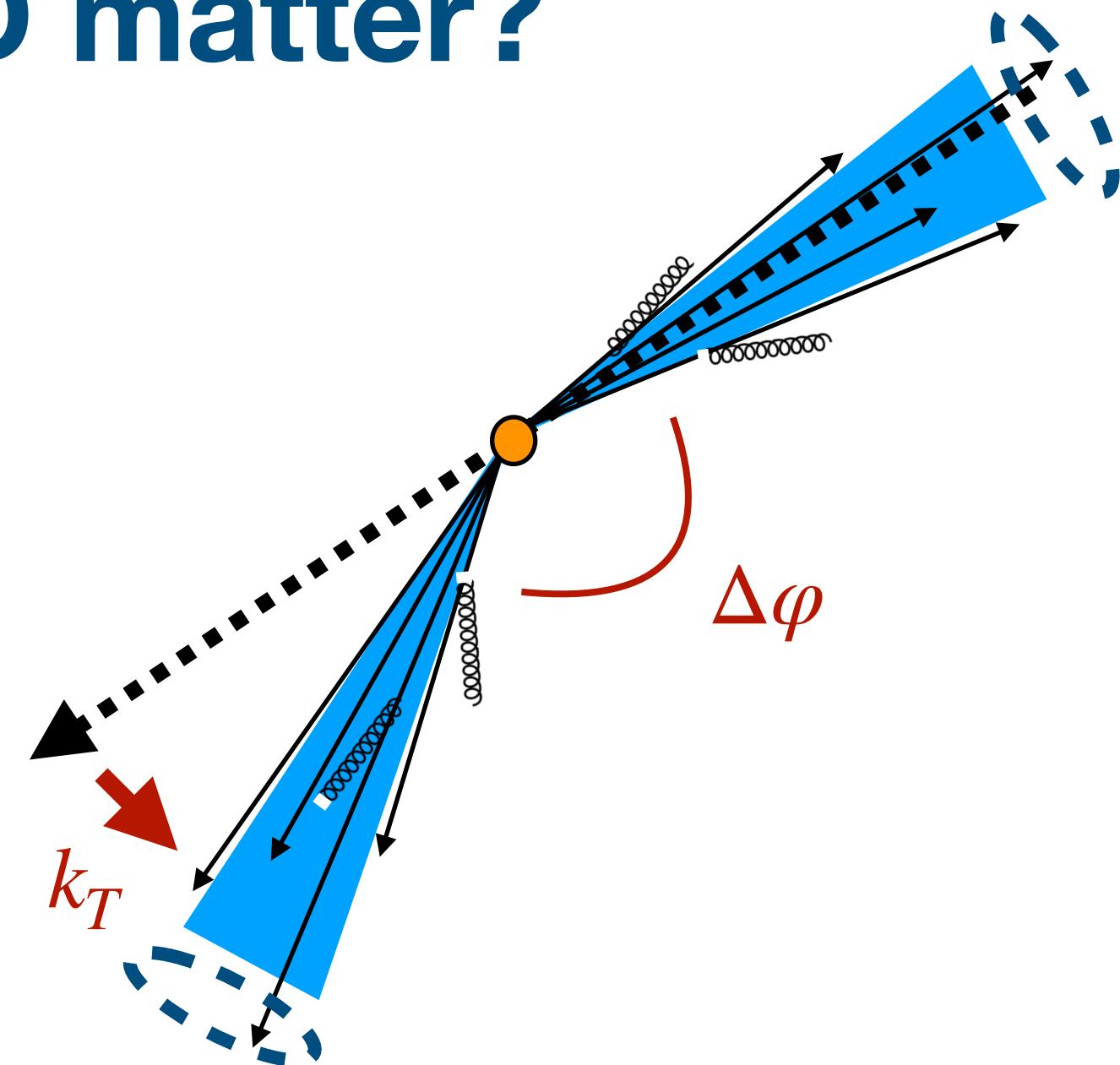
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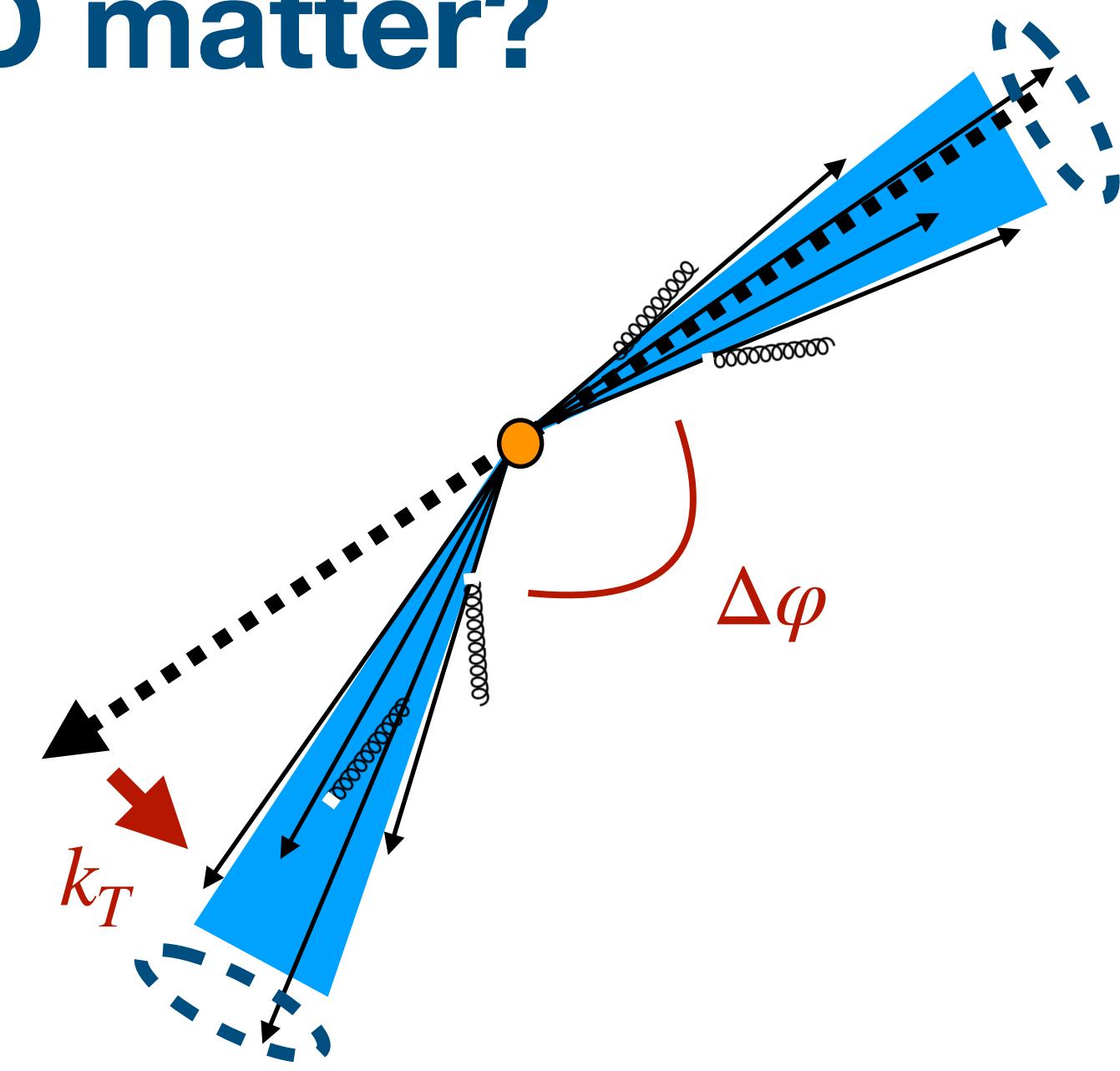
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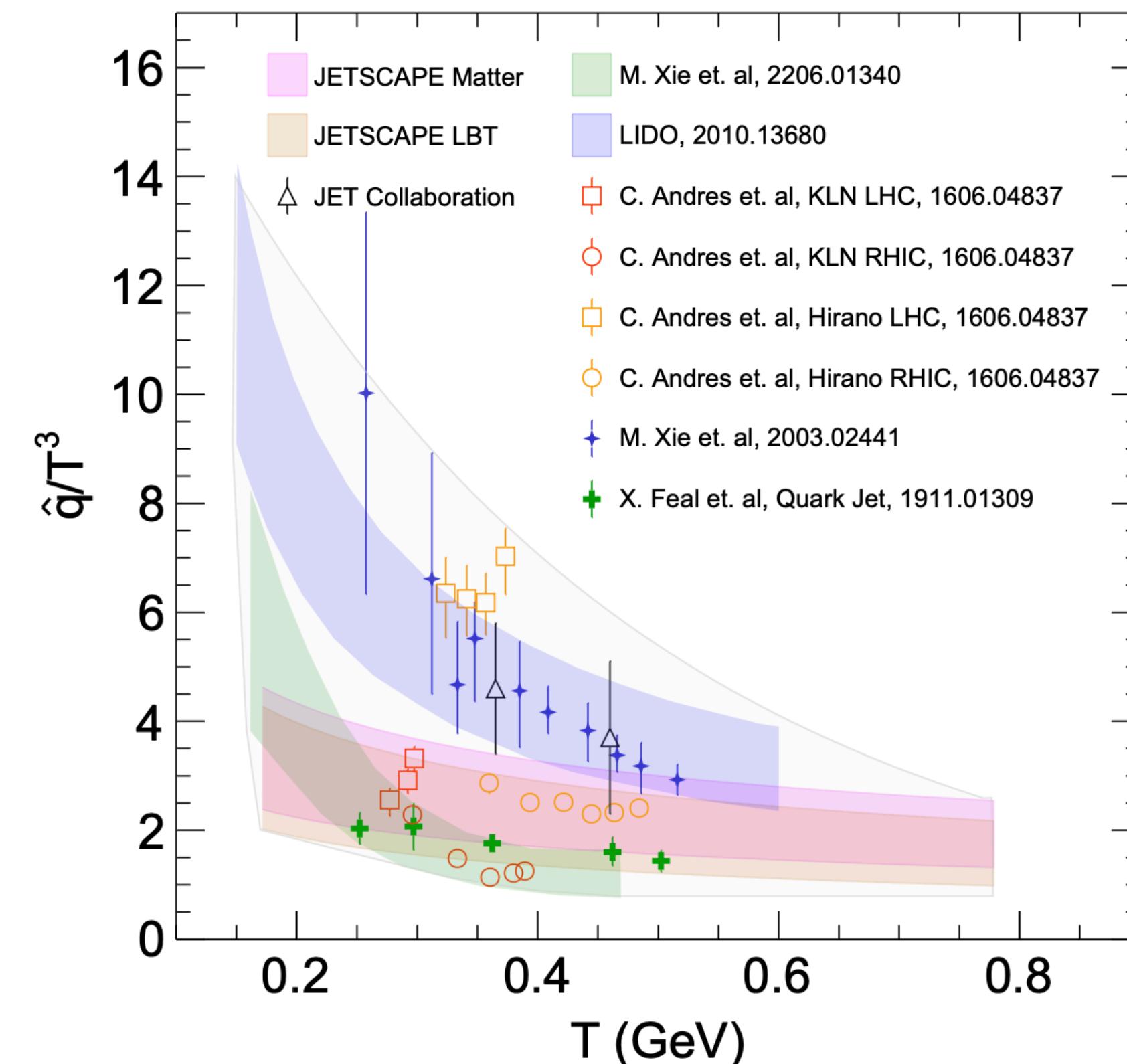
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- Transverse broadening due to **multiple soft scattering**

- Quantified by jet transport coefficient $\hat{q} = \frac{d \langle k_{\perp}^2 \rangle}{dL}$

(average transverse momentum squared gained per unit path length travelled)

→ **Jet acoplanarity provides direct probe of QGP transport coefficient \hat{q}**



L. Apolinário, Y.-J. Lee, M. Winn
Progress in Particle and Nuclear Physics, 103990 (2022)

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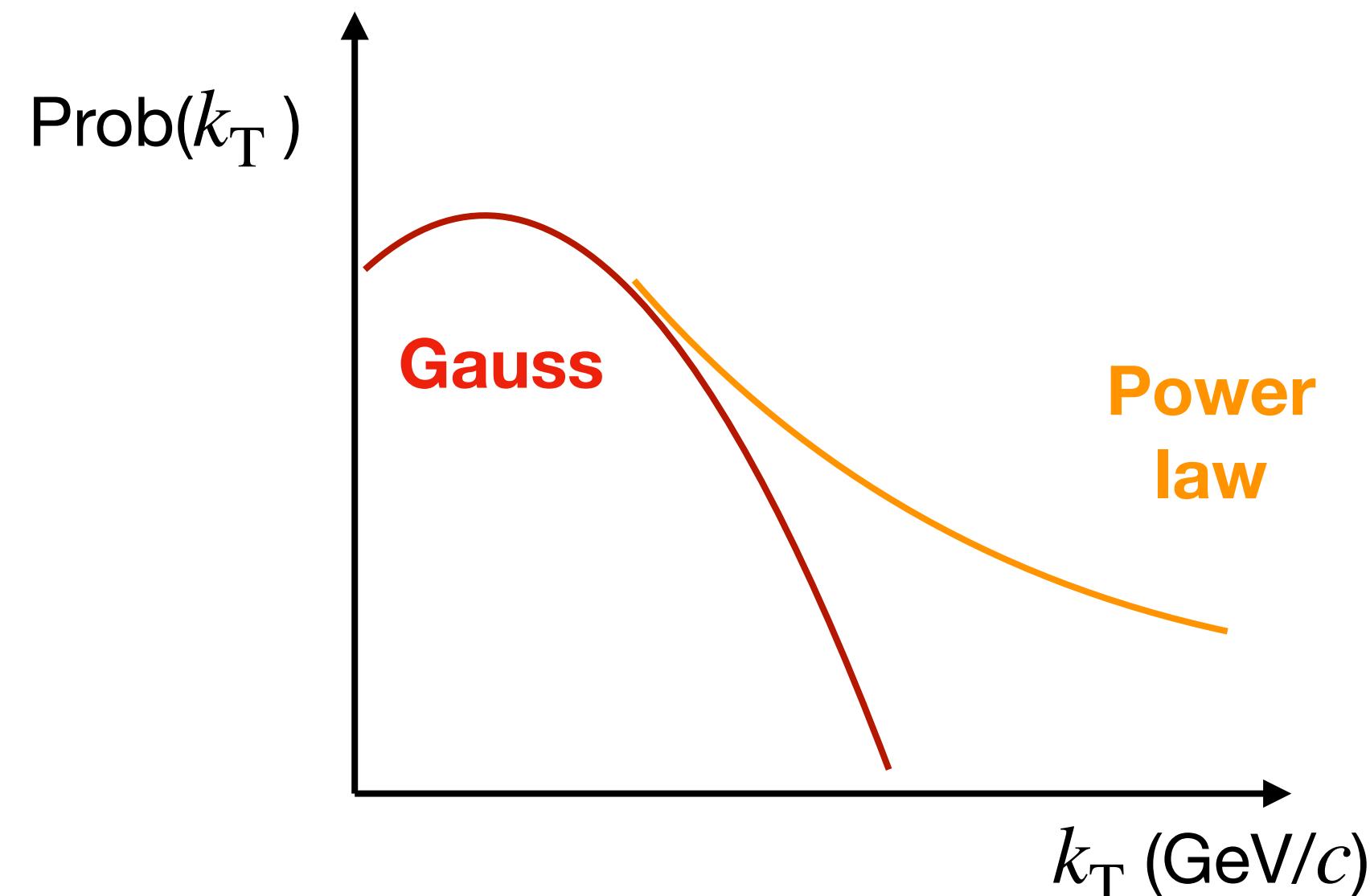
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- **Strong-coupling limit** - probability of parton to obtain momentum k_T is Gaussian (exponential) distributed
- Scatter off **weakly-interacting** quasi-particle with probability distribution ‘Rutherford-Like’ power-law distributed $\sim 1/(k_T)^4$ (ignoring radiative corrections)

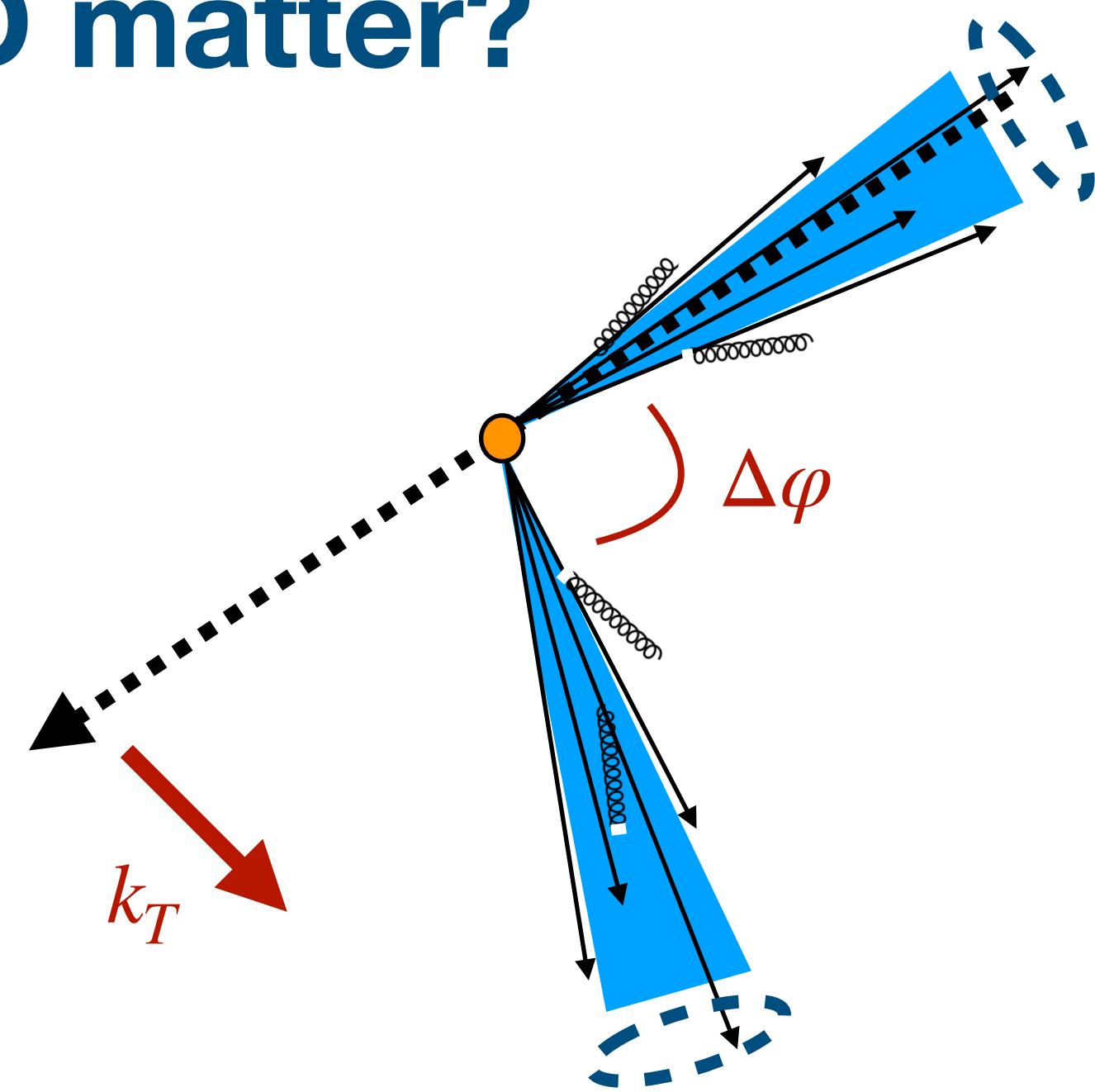
→ **can hard scattering be discovered in tails of jet acoplanarity distribution?**



F. D'eramo, M. Lekaveckas, H. Liu, K. Rajagopal, JHEP 05 (2013) 031

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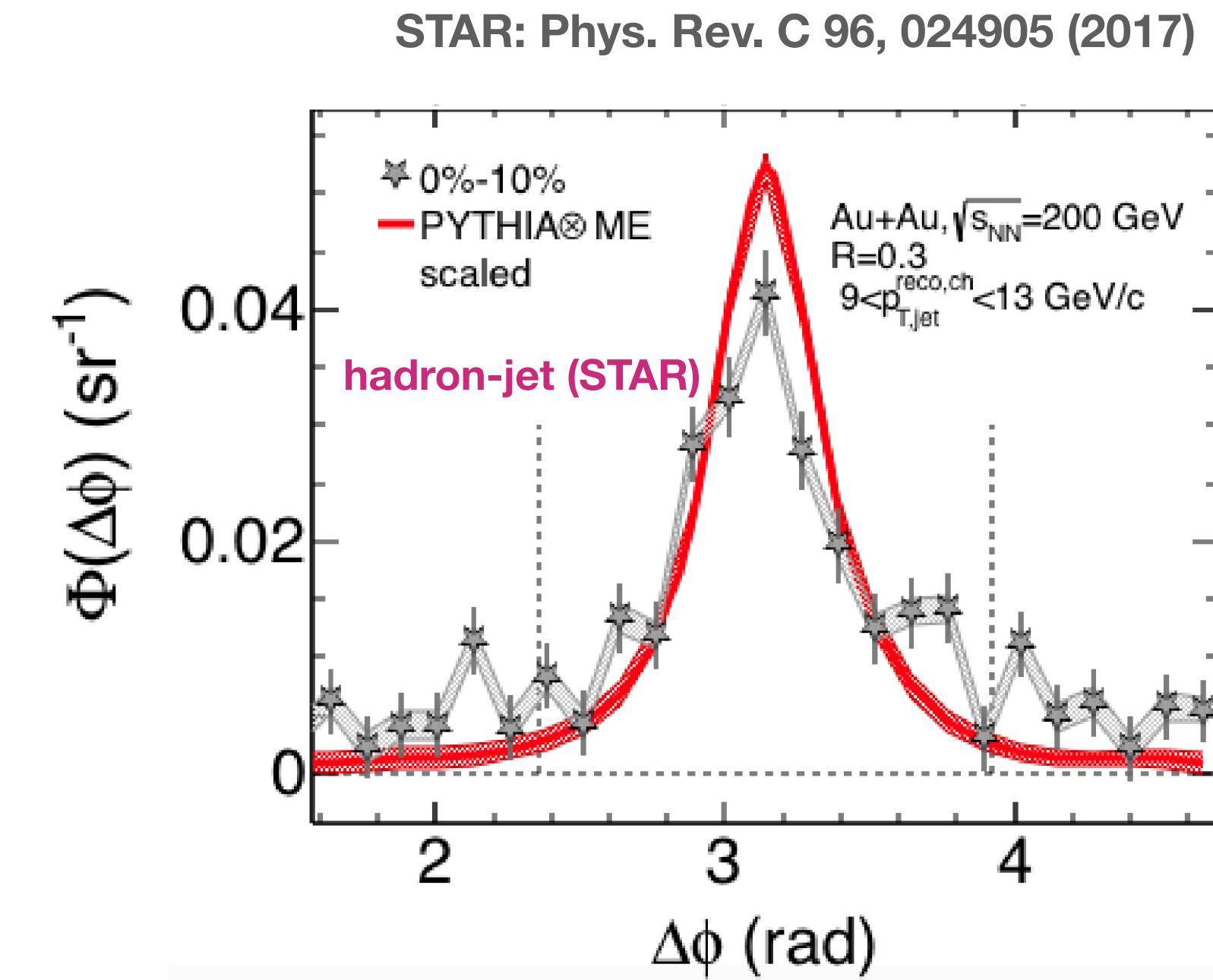
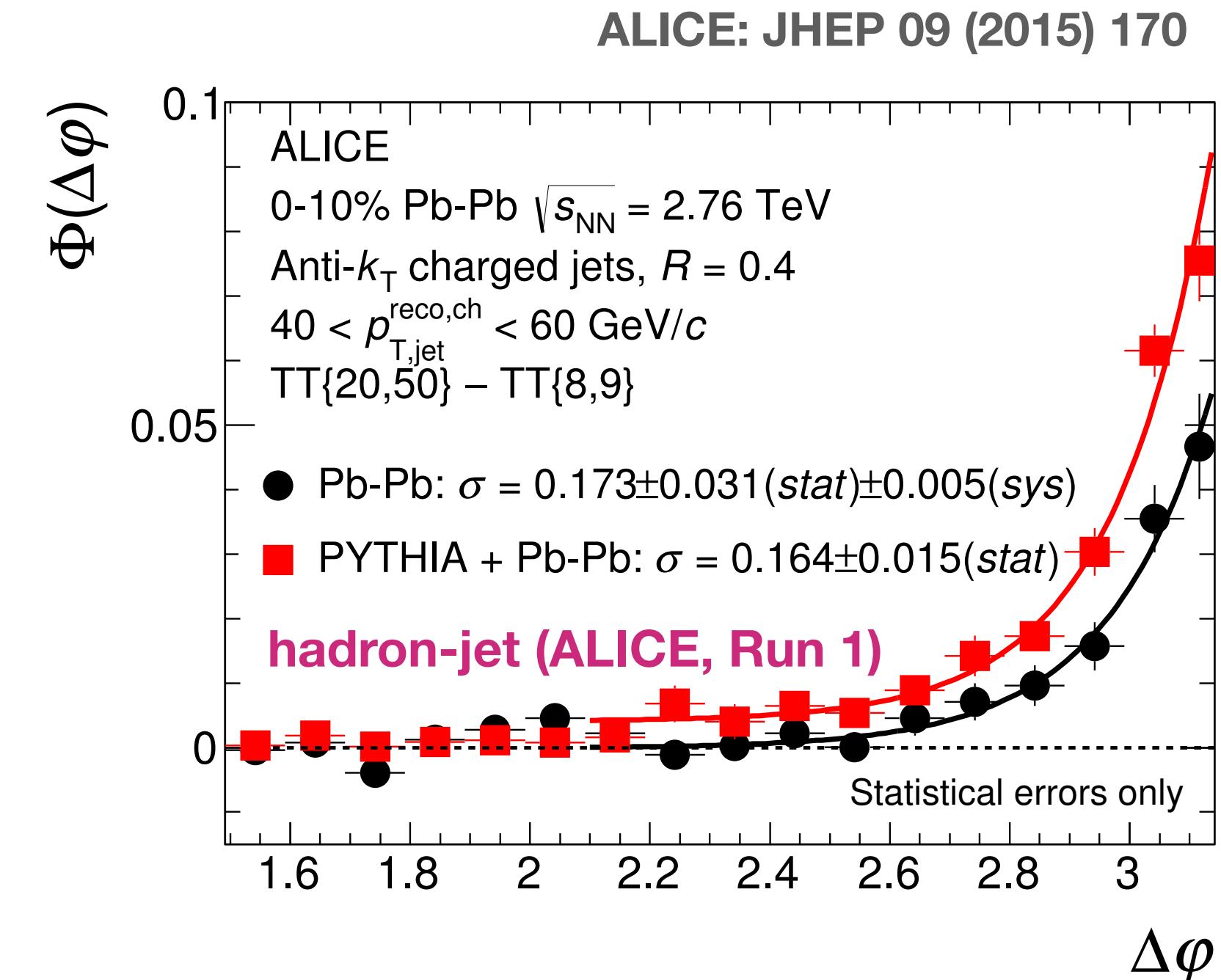
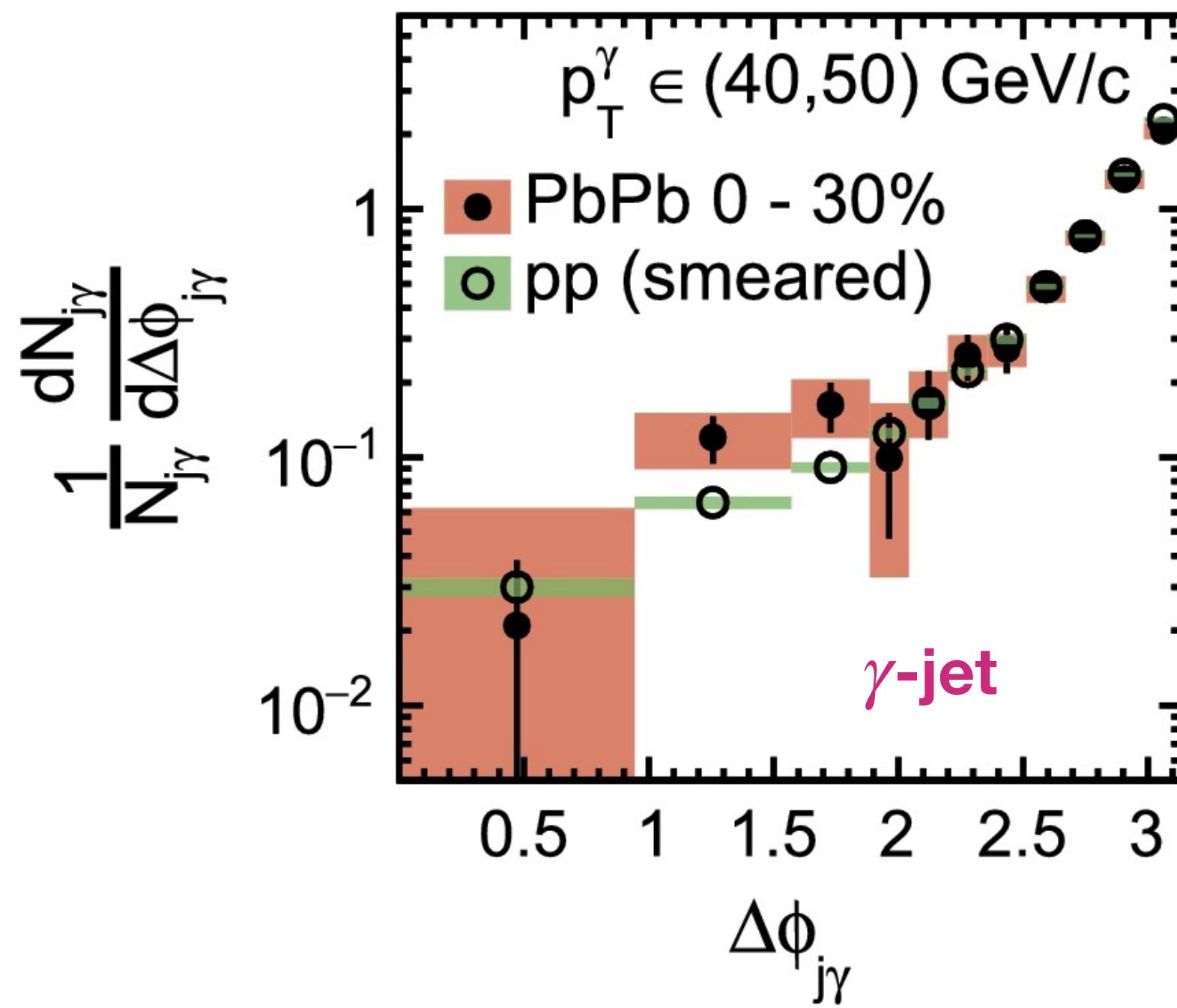
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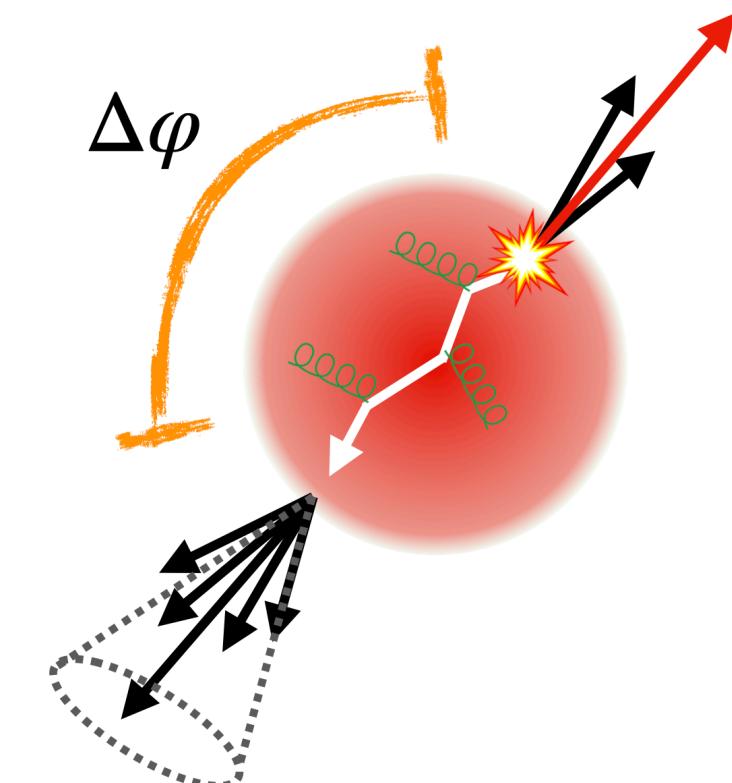
Jet acoplanarity measurements

CMS: PRL 119, 082301 (2017)

CMS: Phys. Lett. B 785 (2018) 14

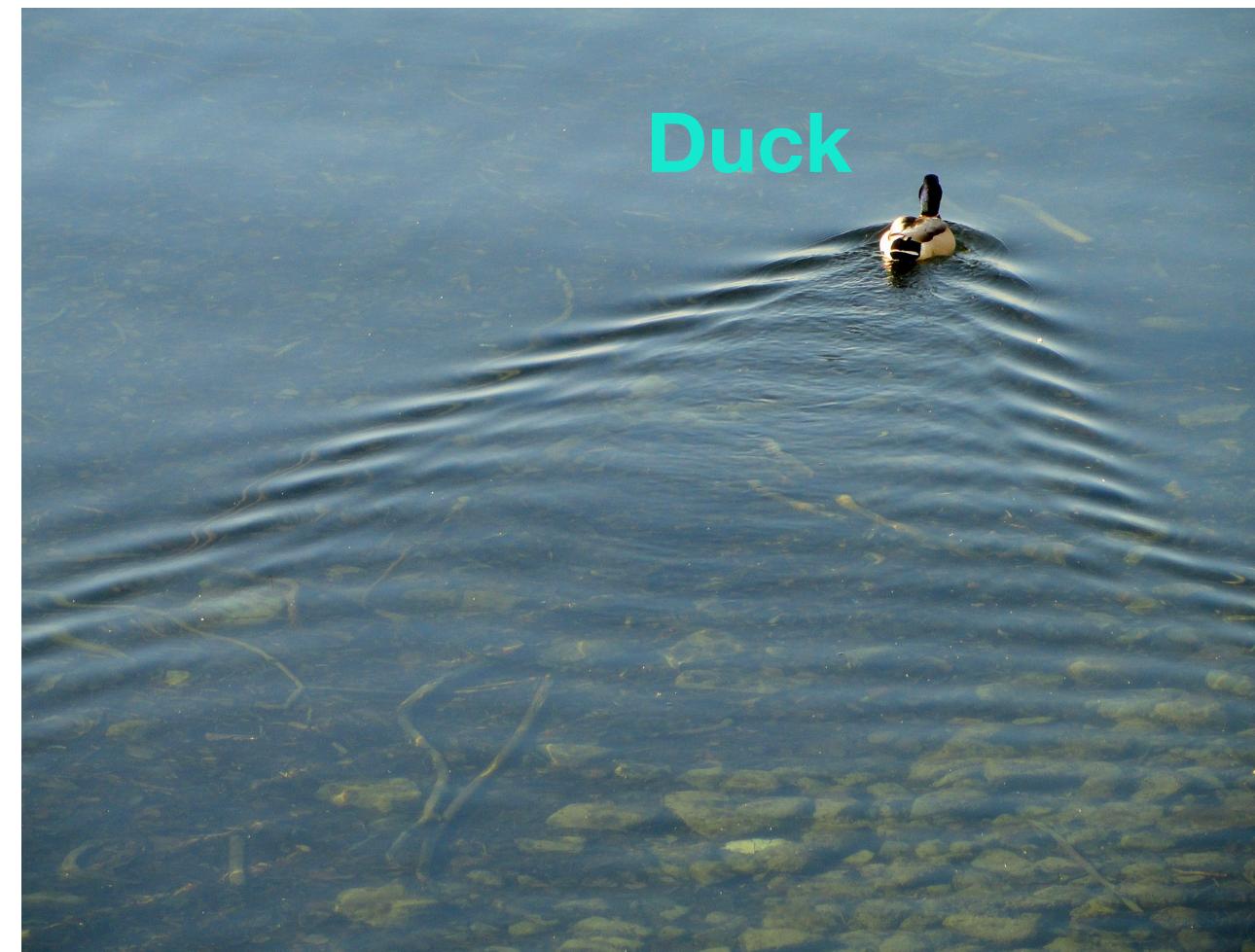


- No evidence for QGP-induced acoplanarity so far
- Theory indicates low p_T jets most sensitive to broadening effects

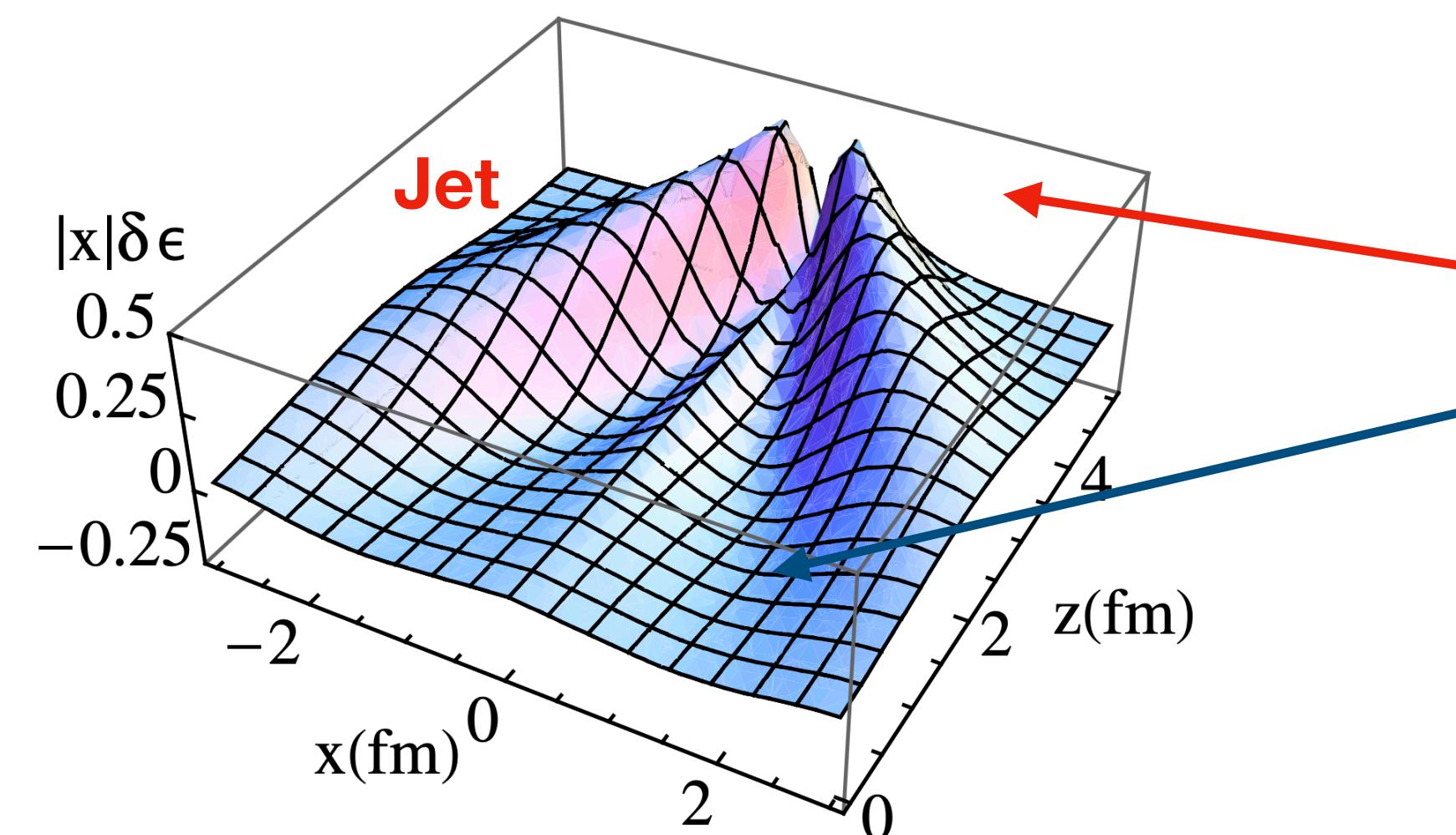


Medium response to propagating parton

- Jets lose energy due to interaction with medium
→ Medium modified by jets!



G.-Y. Qin, A. Majumder, H. Song, and U. Heinz,
Phys. Rev. Lett. 103, 152303 (2009)



Expected ‘wake’ effects:

Enhancement around jet

Deletion opposite jet

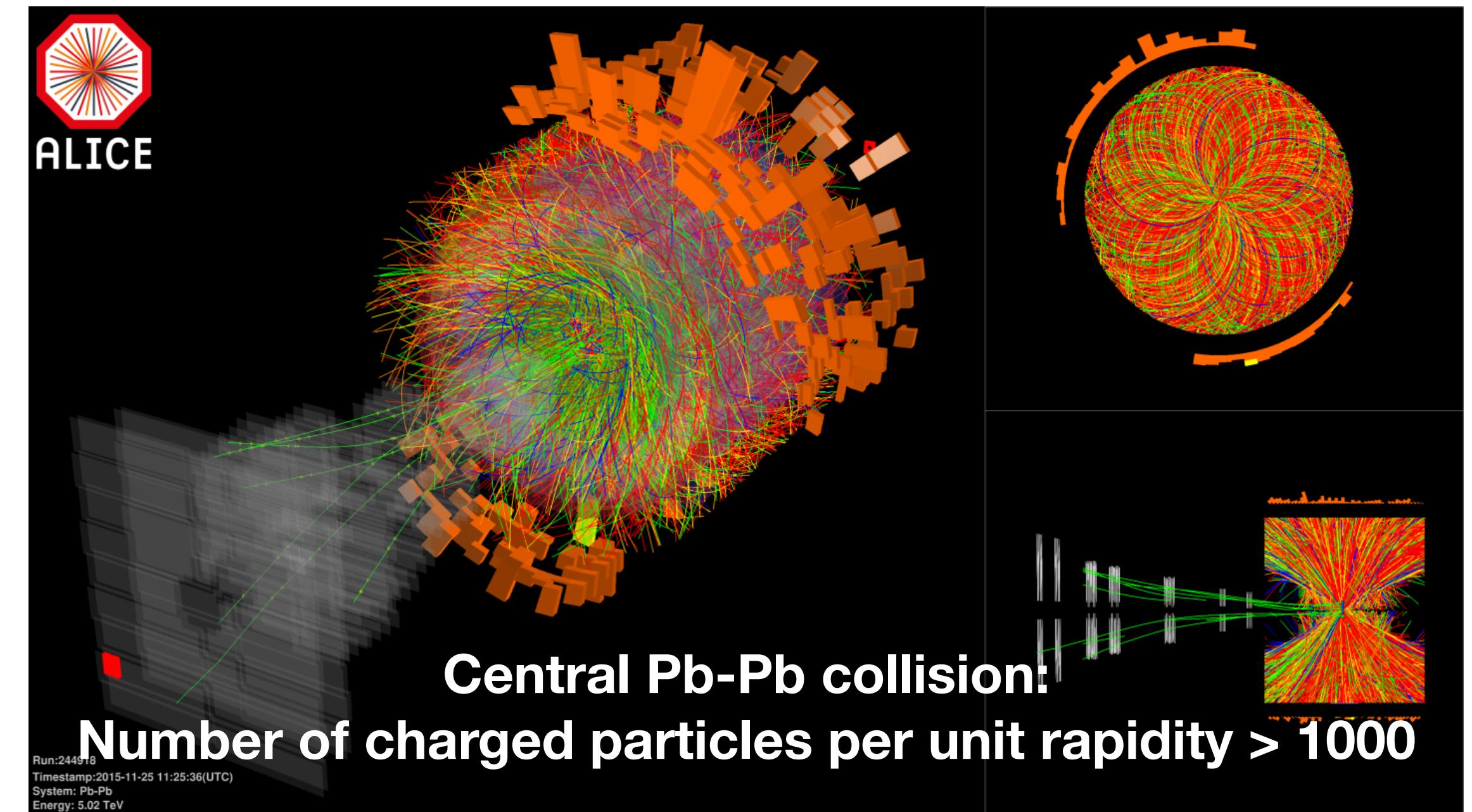
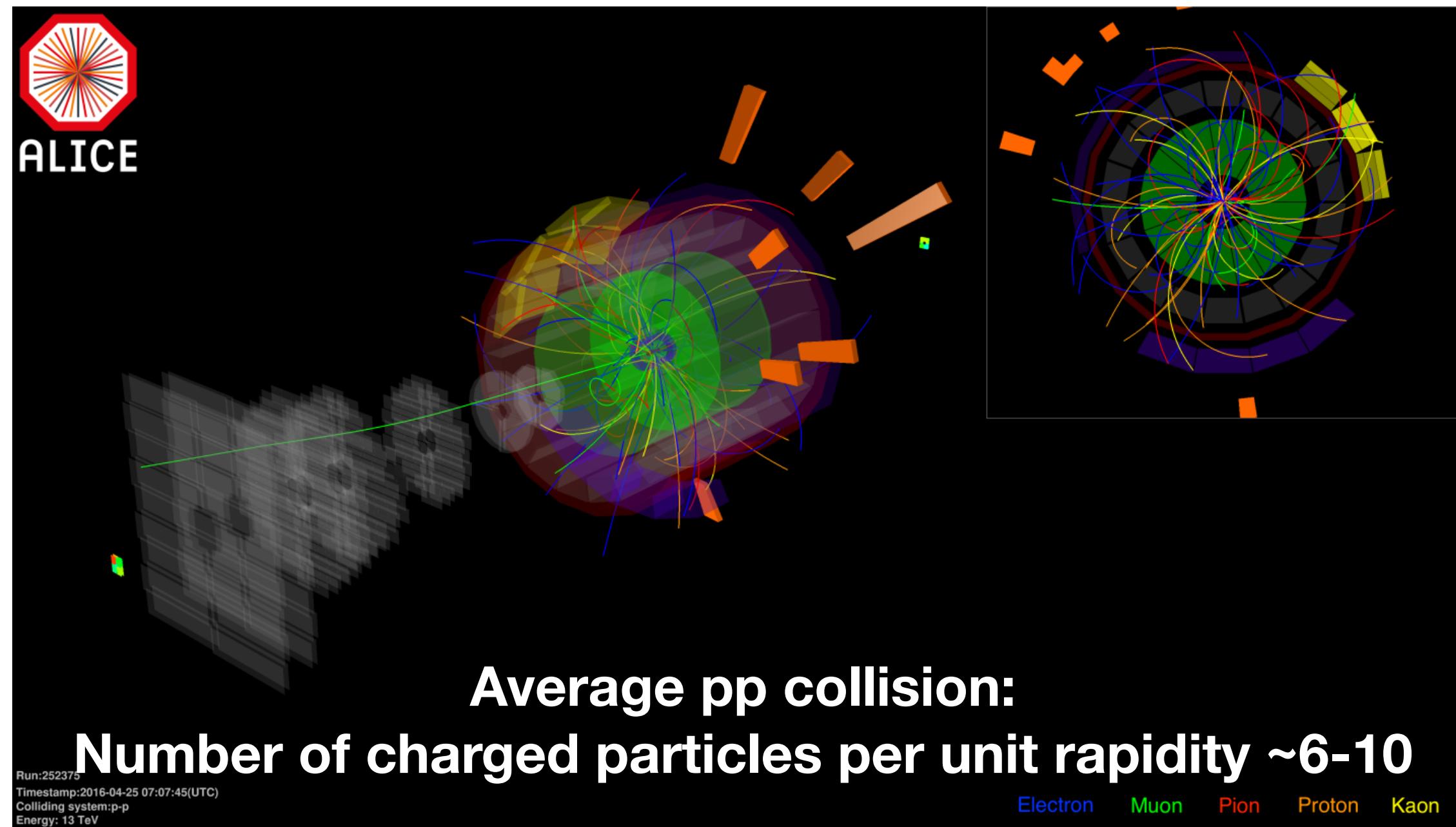
Sonic boom - $v_{jet} > c_s \sim 0.5c$

Insert out-of-equilibrium probe - see how medium responds

→ transport coefficients, equation of state

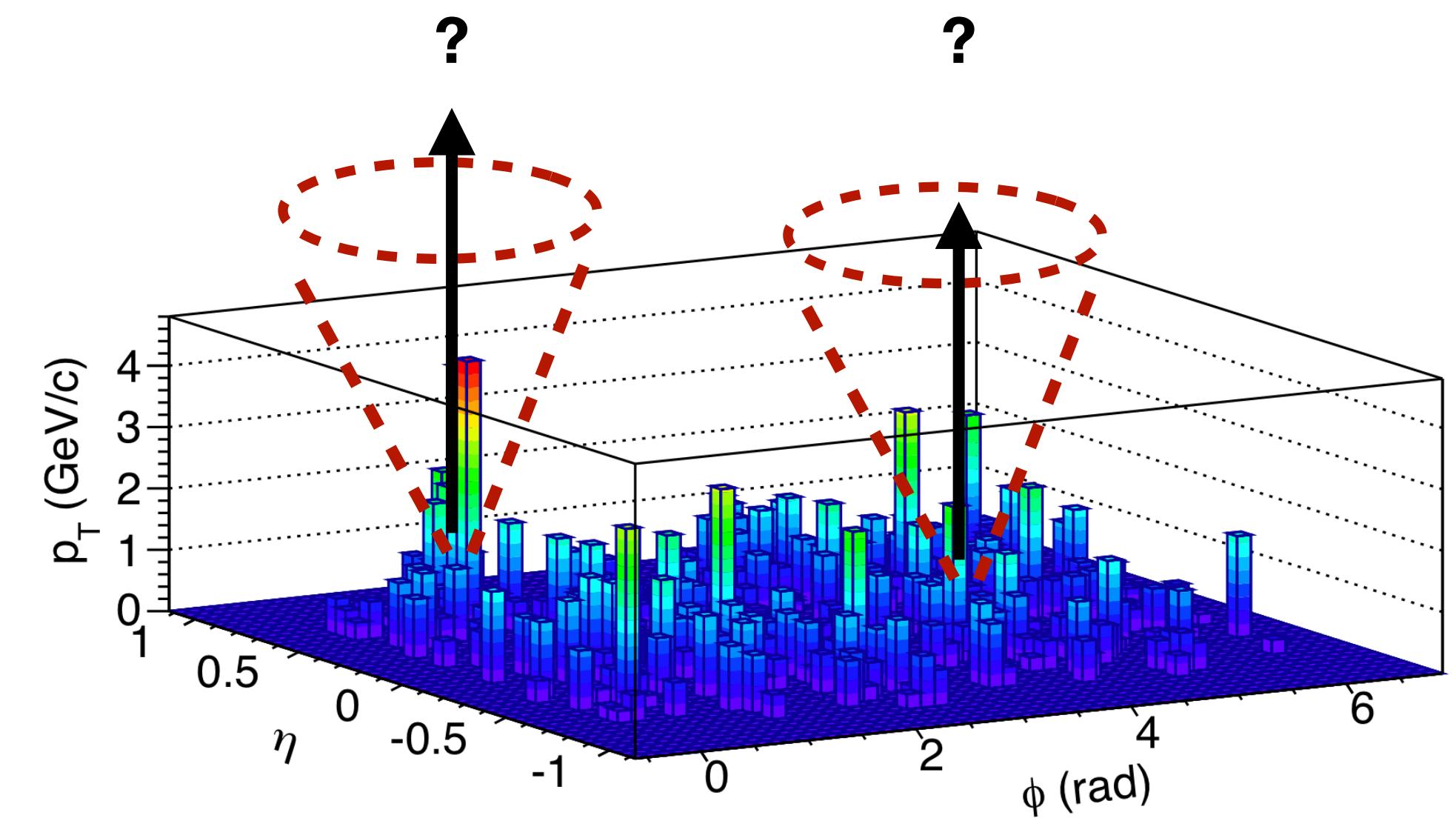
→ May also affect interpretation of jet measurements - can we separate ‘medium’ from ‘jet’ ?

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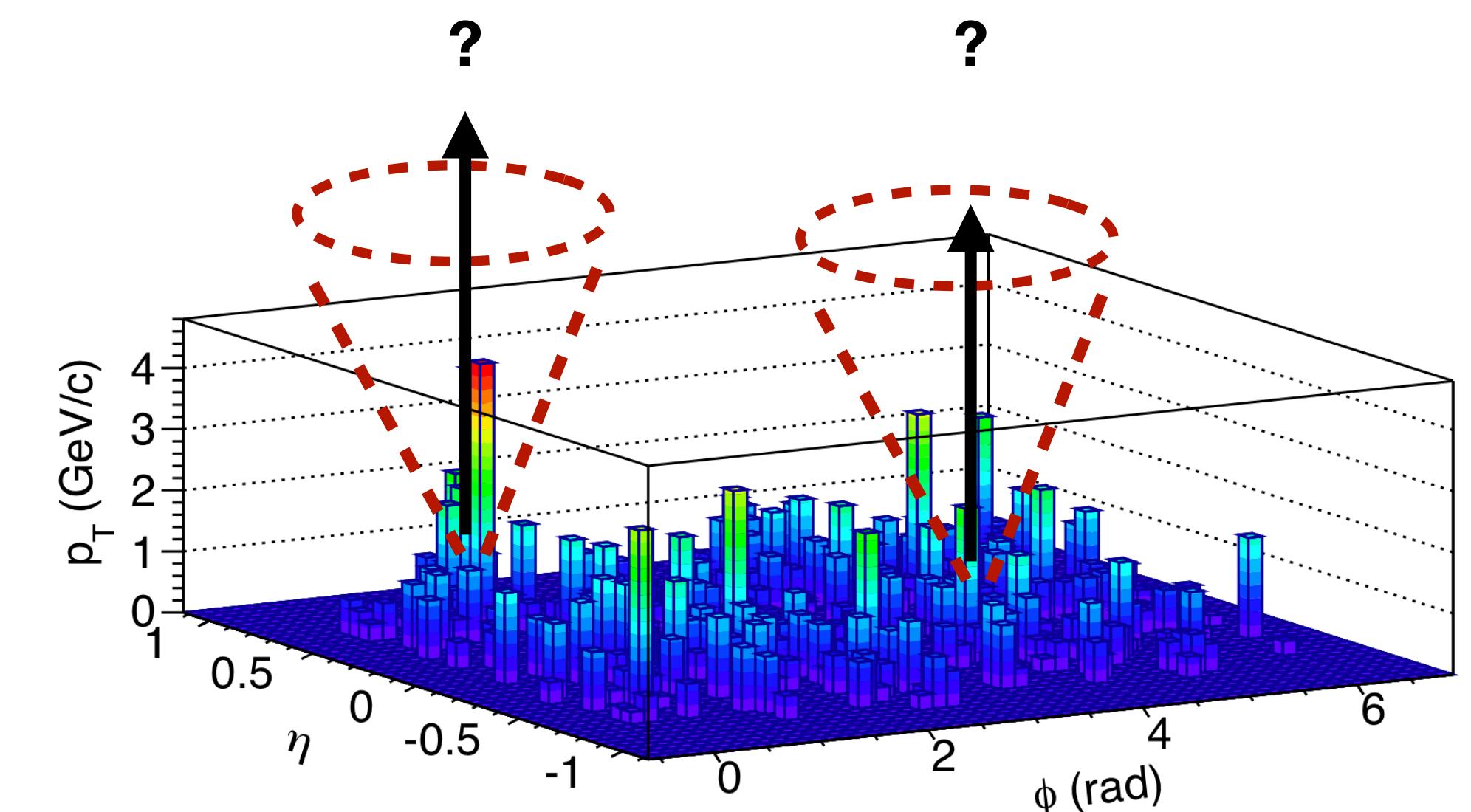
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- This talk: **correct for background statistically**
 - Construct background distribution to subtract from background+signal distribution
 - See also jet-wise approaches:
Leading track bias

ALICE: Phys. Rev. C 101 (2020) 034911
Phys. Lett. B 746 (2015) 1

ML-based background estimation

ALICE: arXiv:2303.00592
H. Bossi, CERN-EP seminar



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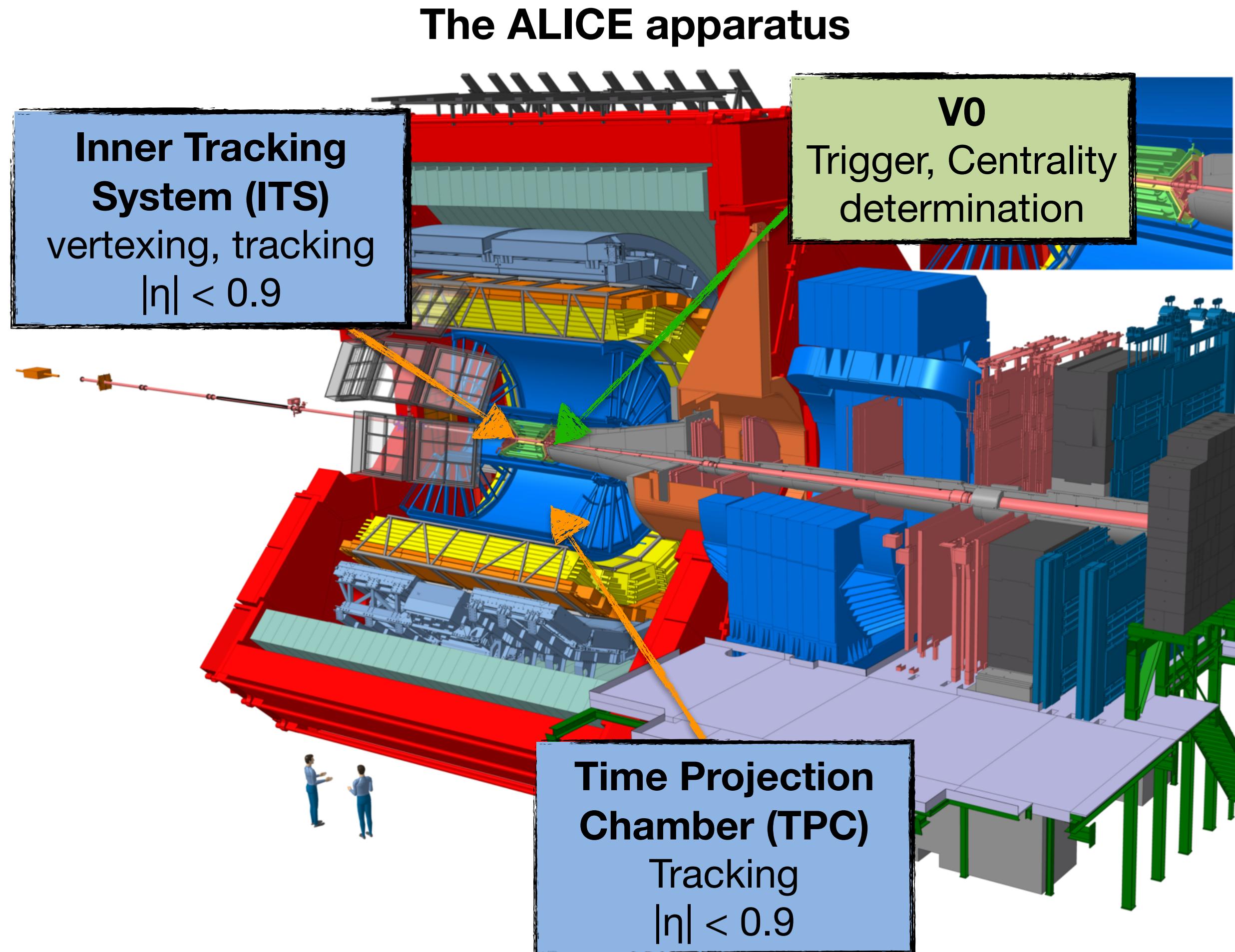
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arXiv:2308.16131

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Experiment, datasets and jet reconstruction



Data samples (from Run 2, 2017-2018):

pp collisions: min. bias trigger using V0, ITS inner layers

- $\sqrt{s} = 5.02 \text{ TeV}$: 1040×10^6 min. bias events,
 $L_{\text{int}} = 20 \text{ nb}^{-1}$

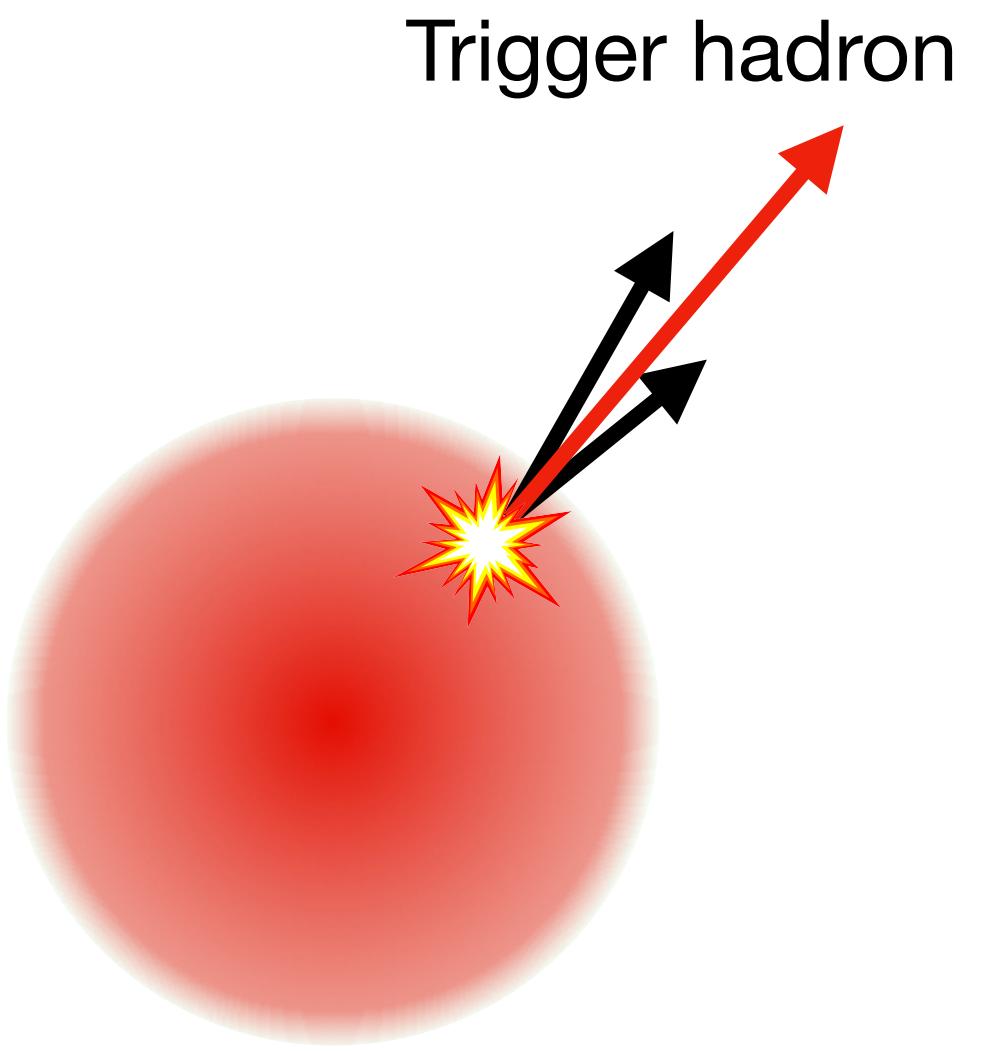
Pb-Pb collisions: centrality-enhanced trigger using V0

- $\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 5.02 \text{ TeV}$: 89×10^6 0-10% most central events,
 $L_{\text{int}} = 0.12 \text{ nb}^{-1}$

- Charged tracks reconstructed using ITS+TPC
- Charged-particle jets reconstructed using charged tracks as jet constituents
 - Anti- k_T algorithm, $p_{T,\text{track}} > 0.15 \text{ GeV}/c$,
 p_T -recombination scheme
 - Three separate jet radii: $R=0.2, 0.4$ and 0.5

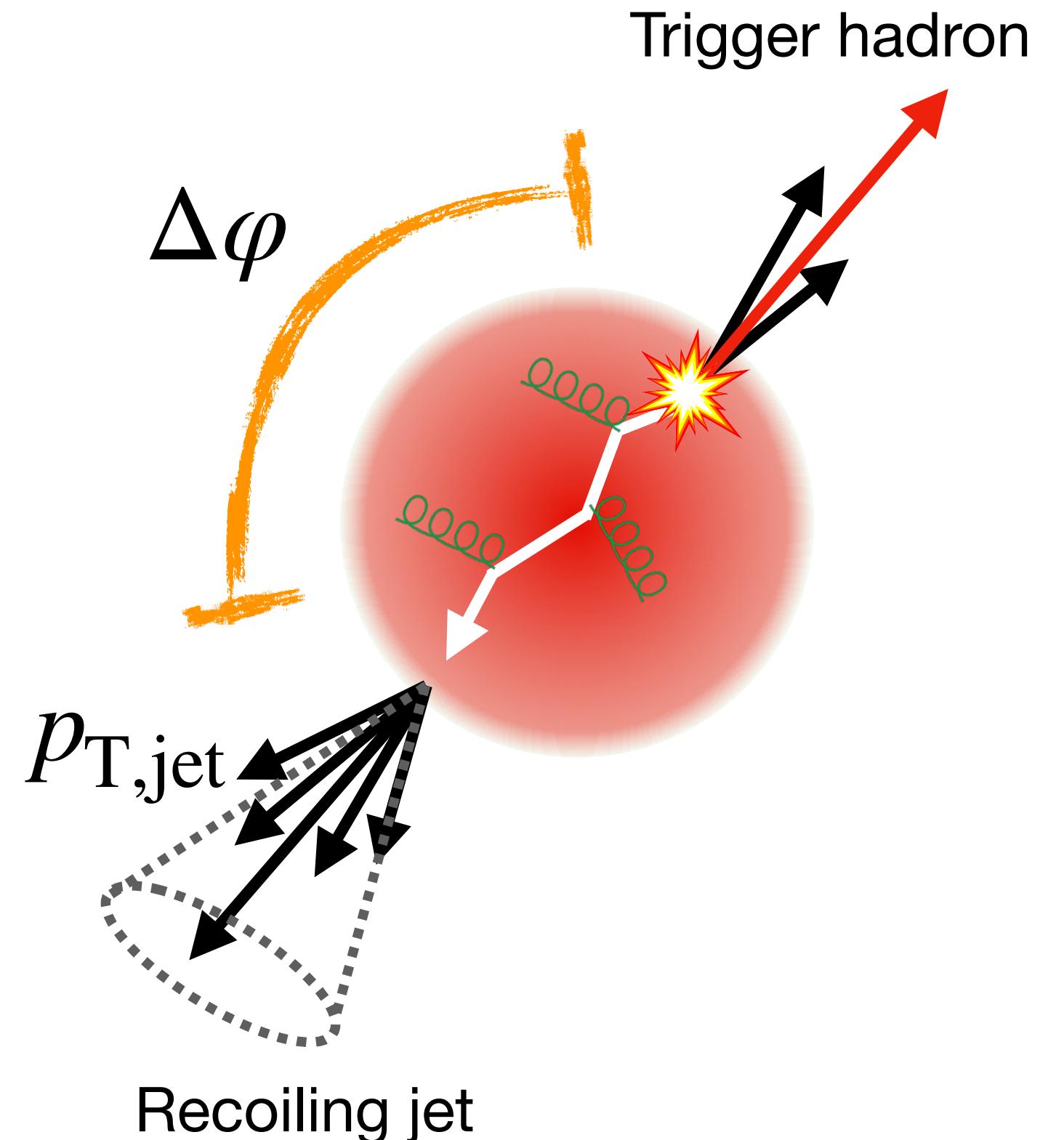
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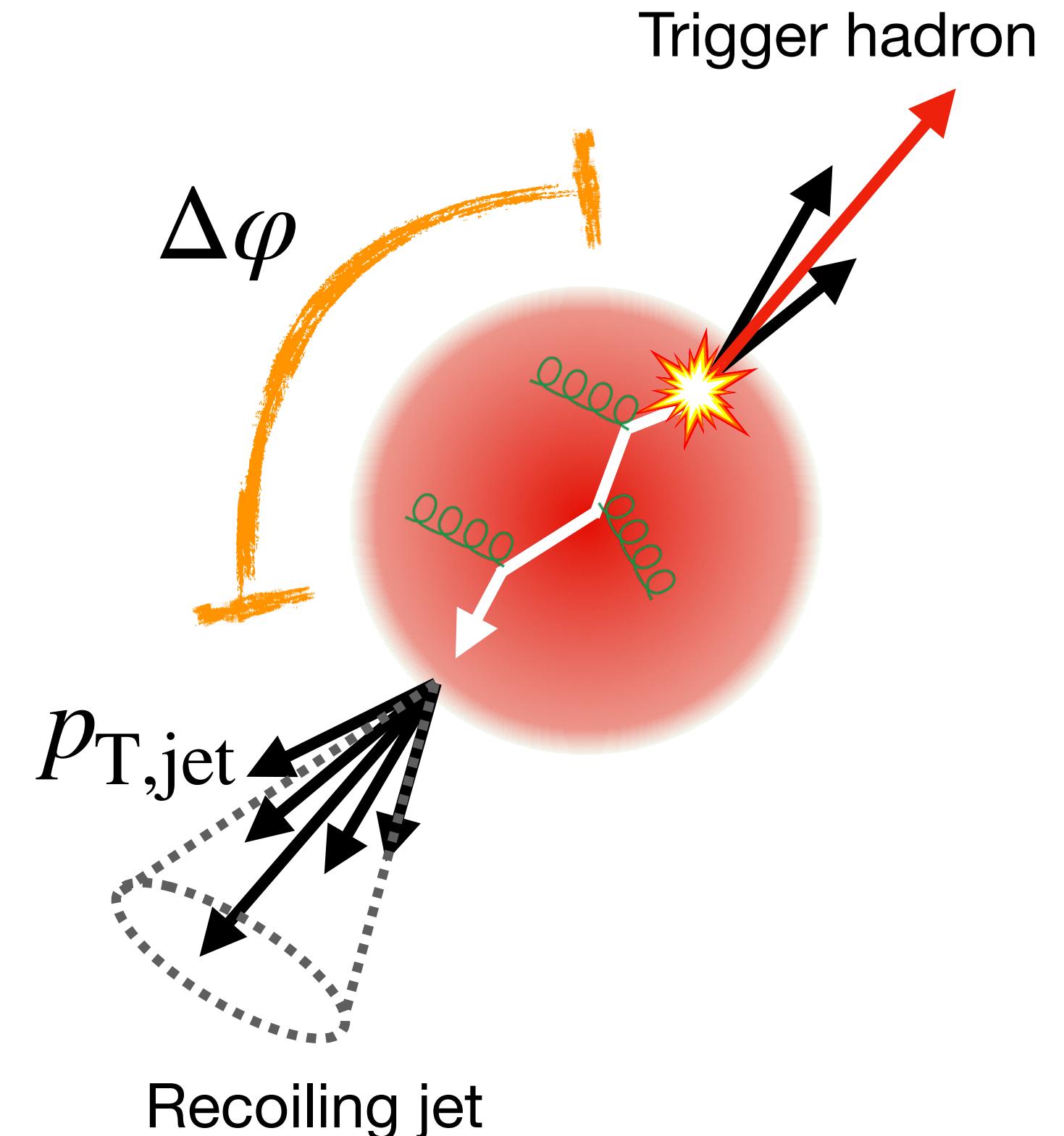


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Trigger-normalised yield of charged-particle jets recoiling from high- p_T trigger hadrons

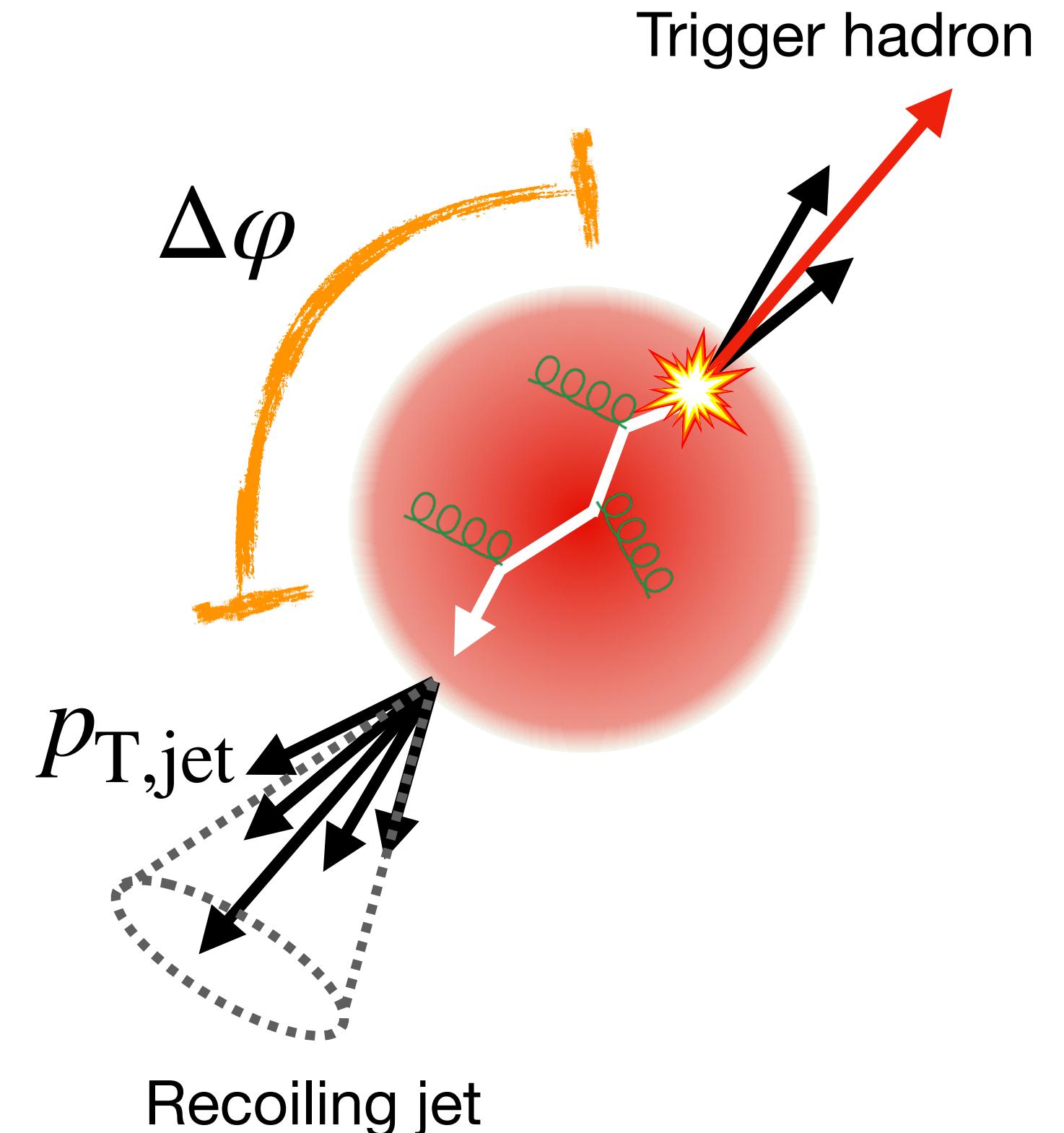


Analysis procedure

1. **Select events** based on the presence of a high- p_T ‘trigger’ hadron
2. **Do jet reconstruction** on these events
3. **Count jets recoiling from the trigger hadron** as function of:
 - opening angle ($\Delta\varphi$) of jet relative to trigger axis
 - transverse momentum ($p_{T,jet}$) of recoil jet
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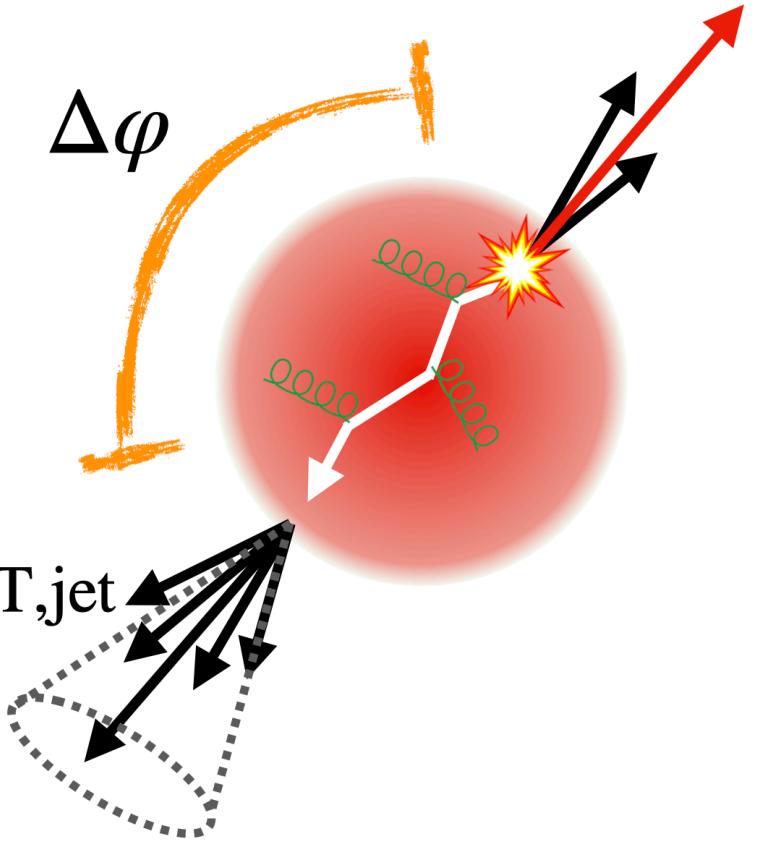
- **Perturbatively calculable**
Ratio between high- p_T hadron and jet production cross sections
- **Semi-inclusive**
events selected based on presence of trigger → count all recoil jets in defined acceptance



Analysis procedure

- **Subtract uncorrelated background:** yield difference between two exclusive trigger track-classed distributions: '**signal**' and '**reference**':

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c_{Ref} : normalisation constant
extracted from data

- **Statistical approach** - uncorrelated yield corrected solely at level of ensemble-averaged distributions
- **data-driven subtraction of *all* uncorrelated background**
 - Includes multi-parton interaction removal - improves sensitivity to large-angle scattering
 - low- p_T , large R measurements possible

Analysis procedure: raw distributions

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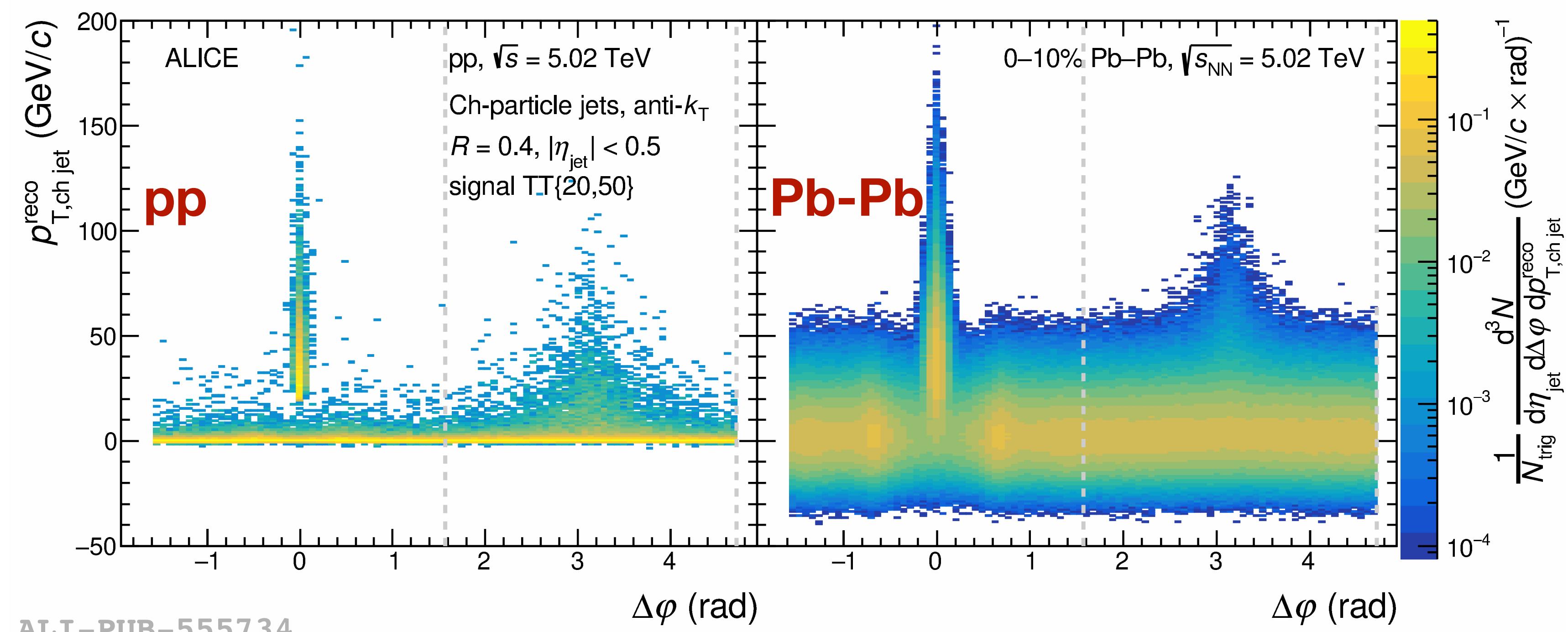
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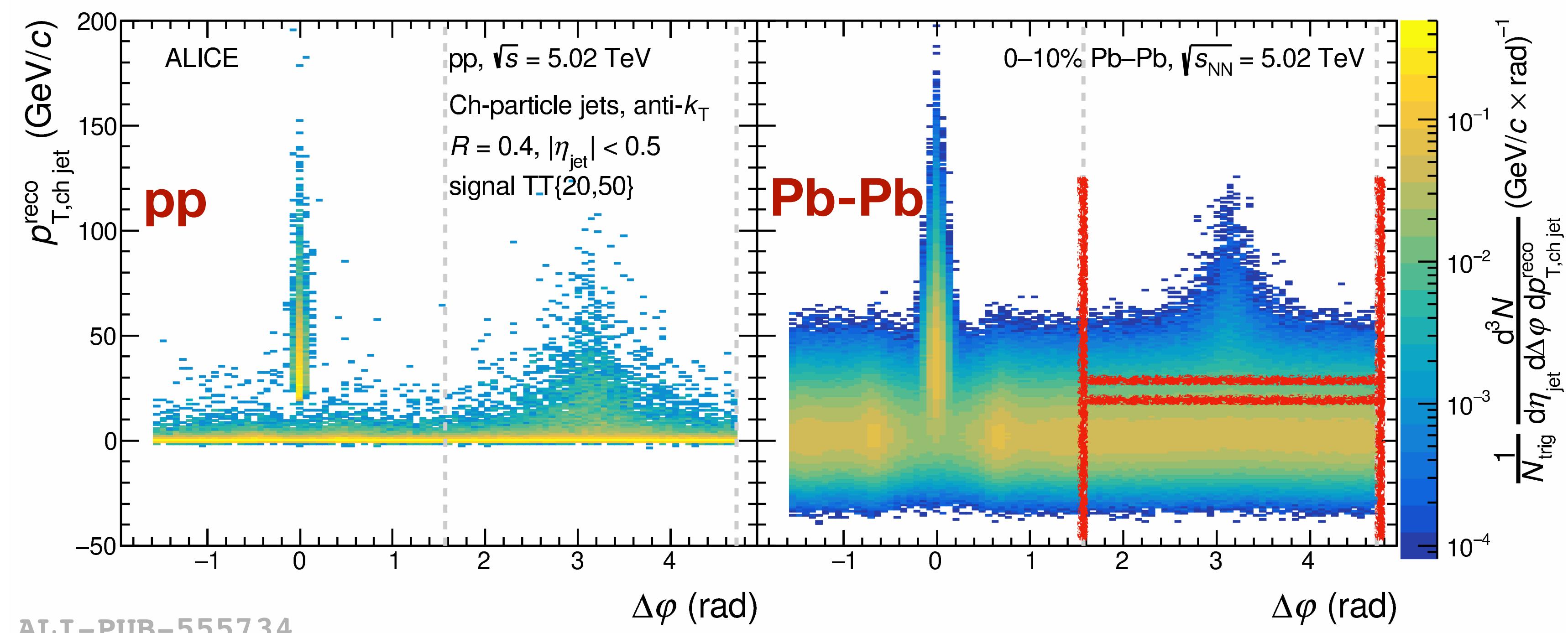
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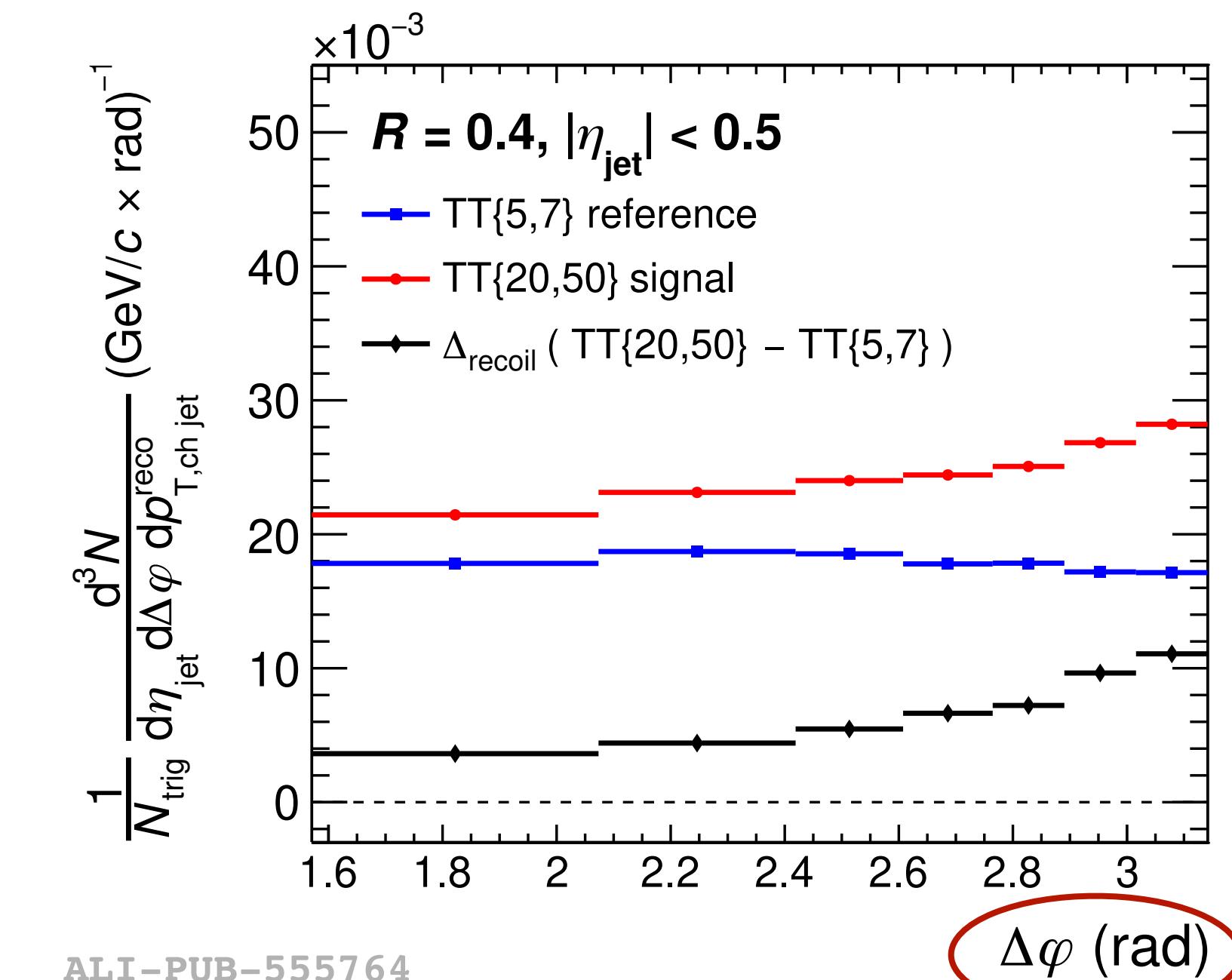
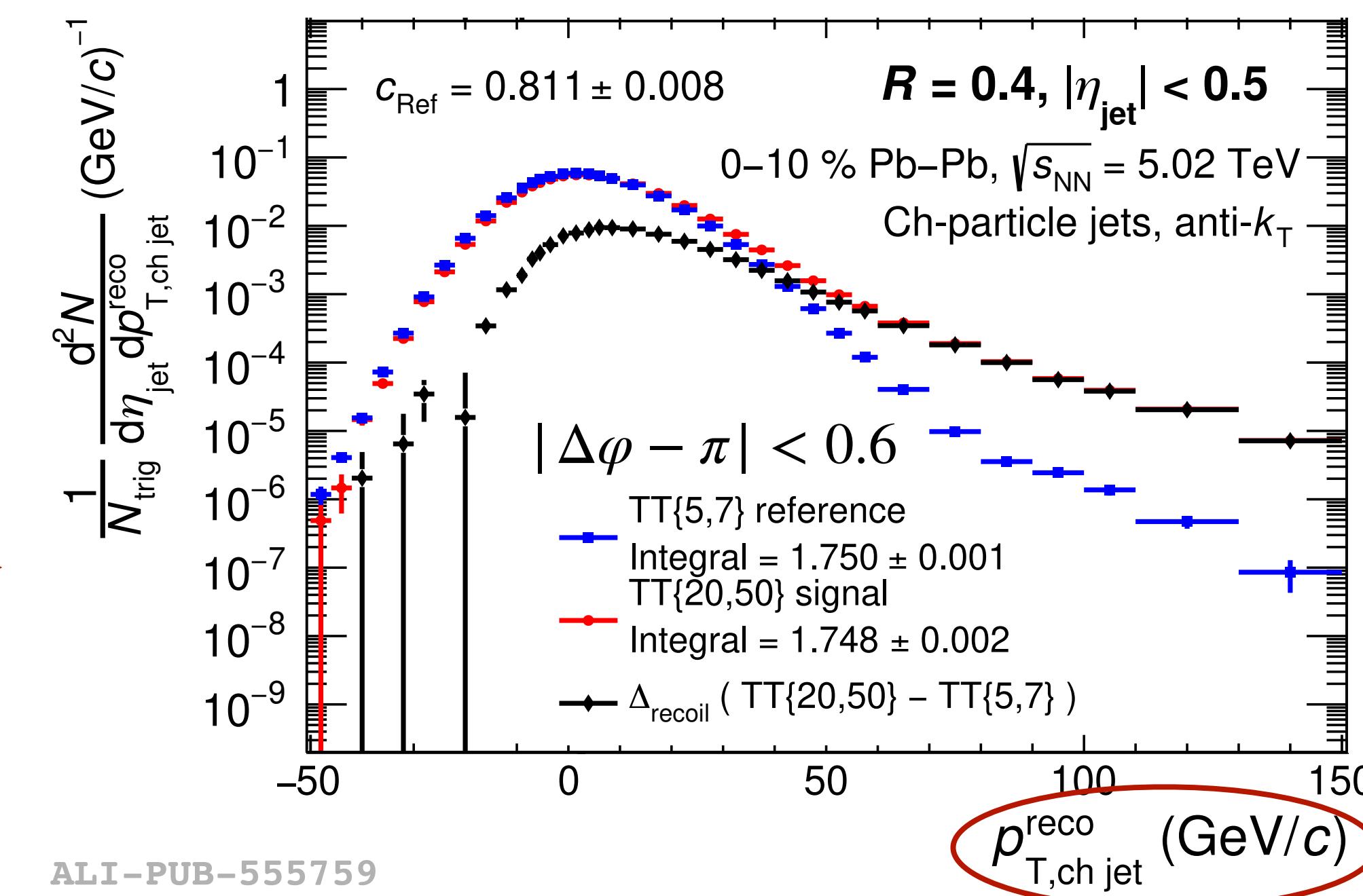
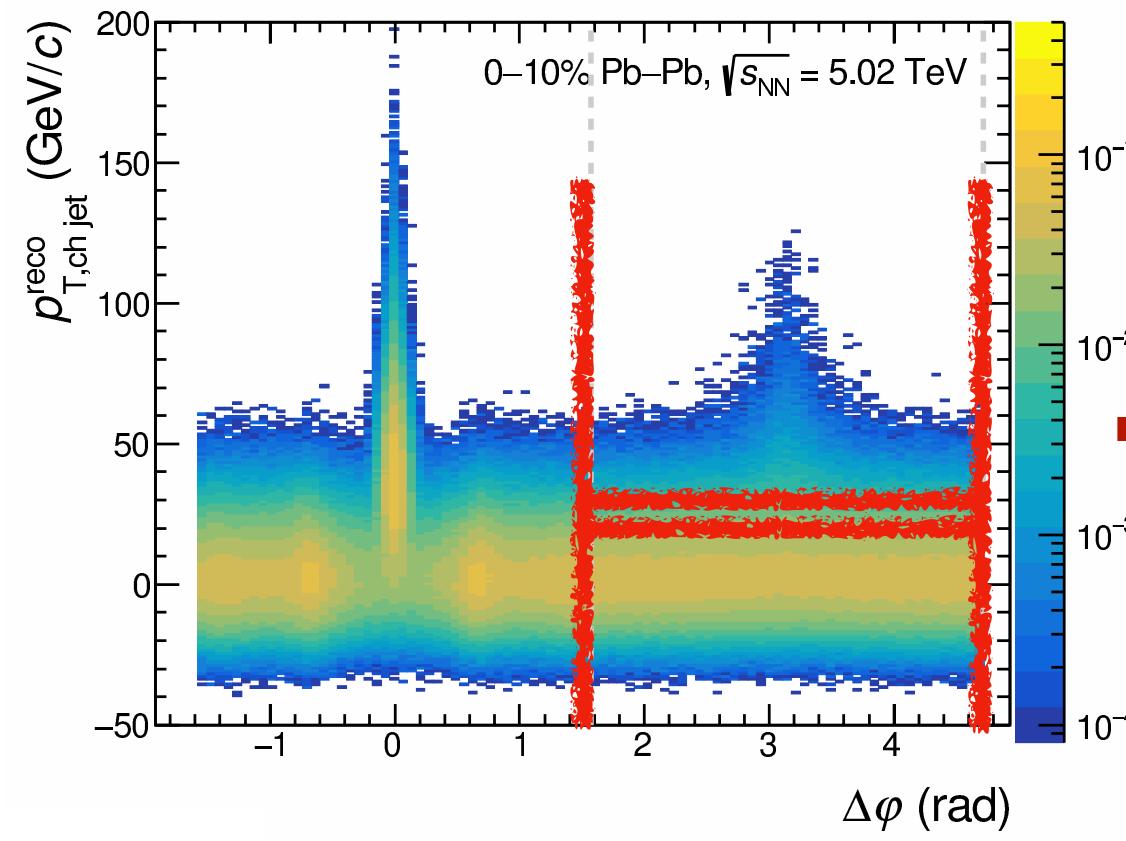
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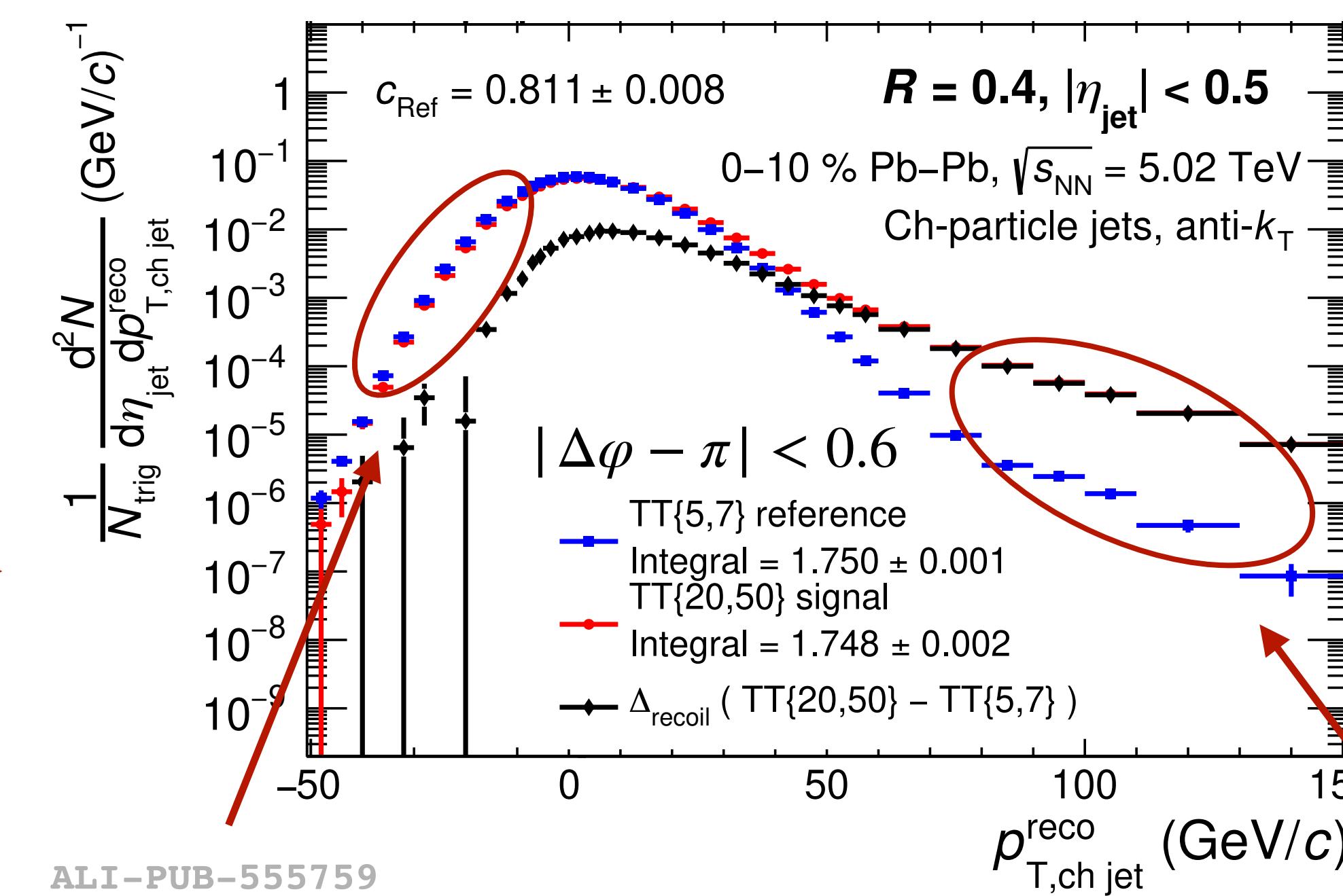
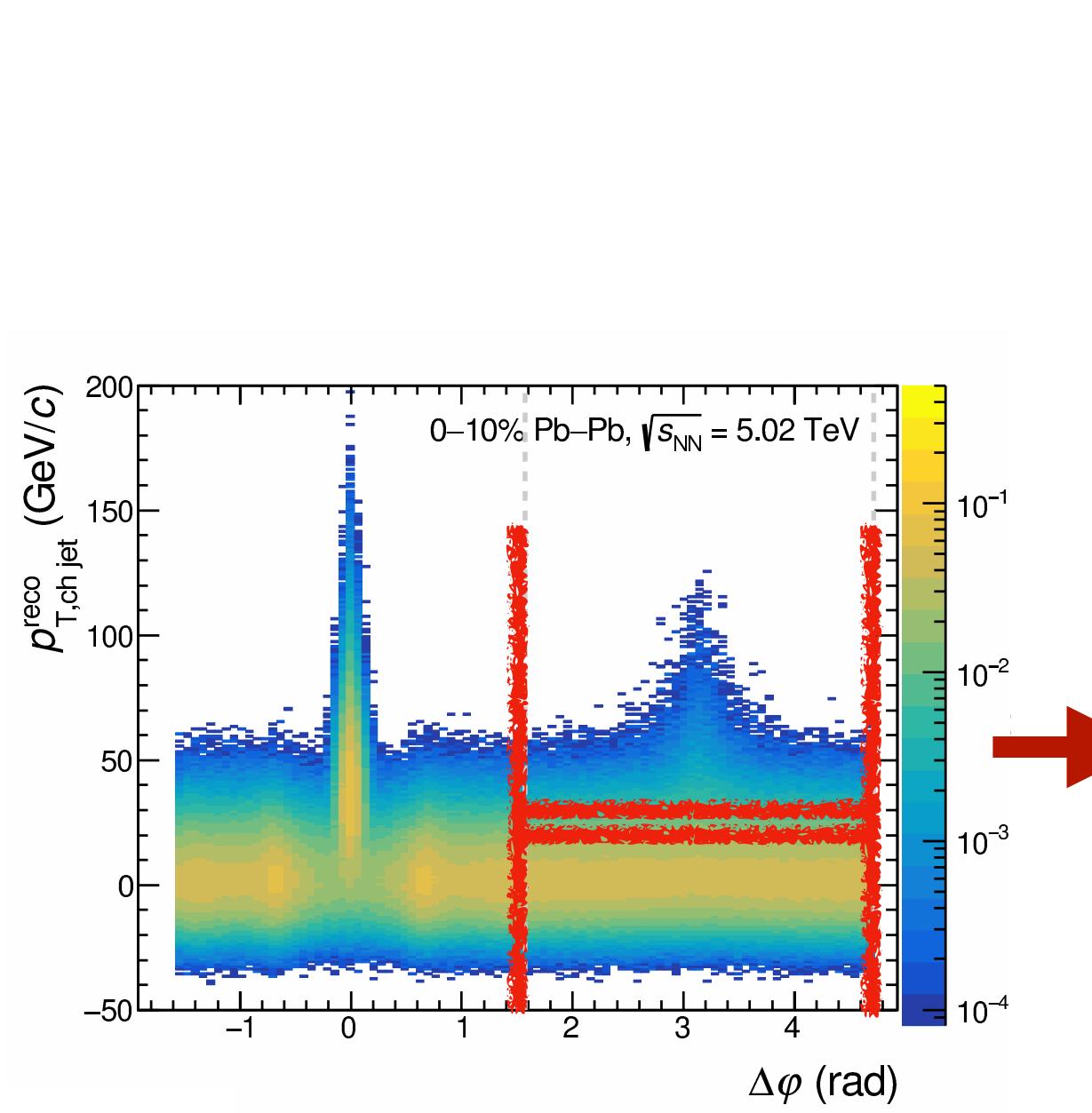
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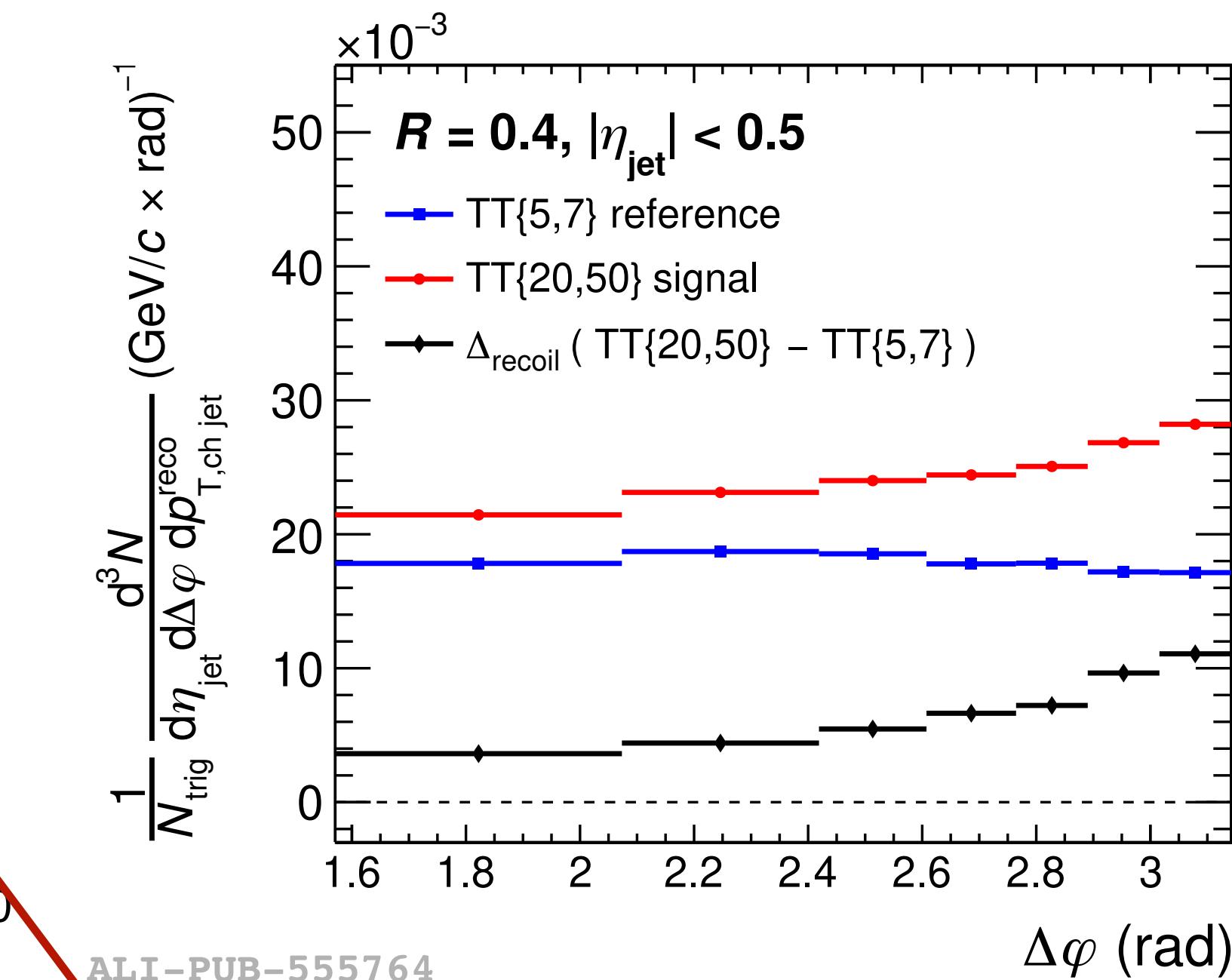
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Uncorrelated background dominates



Signal jets dominate

Unfolding

- **Raw distributions unfolded** for detector effects and residual background fluctuations in both pp and Pb-Pb collisions
 - $\Delta_{\text{recoil}}(p_{T,\text{jet}})$: Unfolded in 1 dimension ($p_{T,\text{jet}}$) - minimal $\Delta\varphi$ smearing
 - $\Delta_{\text{recoil}}(\Delta\varphi)$: Unfolded in 2 dimensions ($p_{T,\text{jet}}, \Delta\varphi$)
- **All correction steps fully validated** via closure test (PYTHIA embedded into Pb-Pb, compare unfolded to truth)

Systematic uncertainties

- Tracking efficiency
- c_{Ref}
- Unfolding (prior, regularisation, binning, algorithm)
- Jet matching
- ρ correction
- Closure
- Dominant:
 - pp: Tracking
 - Pb-Pb: Unfolding (prior)

Models

- **JETSCAPE - Multi-stage event generator**

JETSCAPE collaboration - Phys. Rev. C 107, 034911

- Jet energy loss based on MATTER (high virtuality) and LBT (low virtuality)

- **JEWEL - perturbative treatment to jet quenching**

K. Zapp, EPJ C, Volume 74, Issue 2, 2014
R. Elanavalli, K. Zapp, JHEP 1707 (2017) 141

- Medium response studied by switching ‘recoils’ on and off (recoil momenta within jet subtracted using prescribed methods) **(with help from Danny!)**

- **Hybrid model - strong (AdS/CFT) / weak (DGLAP) coupling model**

F. d'Eramo, K. Rajagopal, Y. Yin, JHEP 01 (2019) 172
Z. Hulcher, D. Pablos, K. Rajagopal, 2208.13593 (QM22)

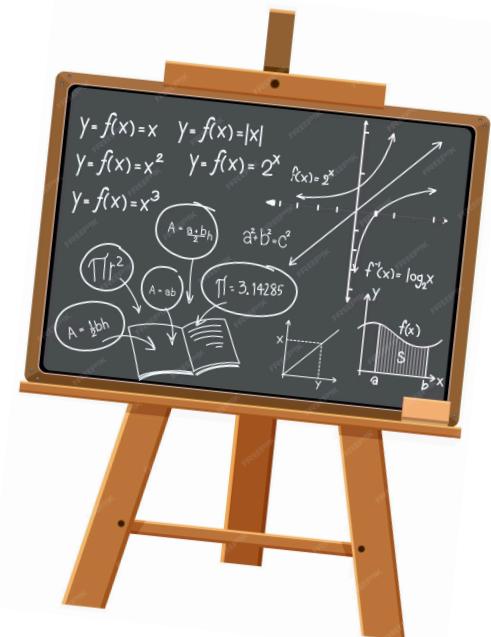
- Effect of elastic (Molière) scatterings and wake (medium response) studied by switching effects on and off

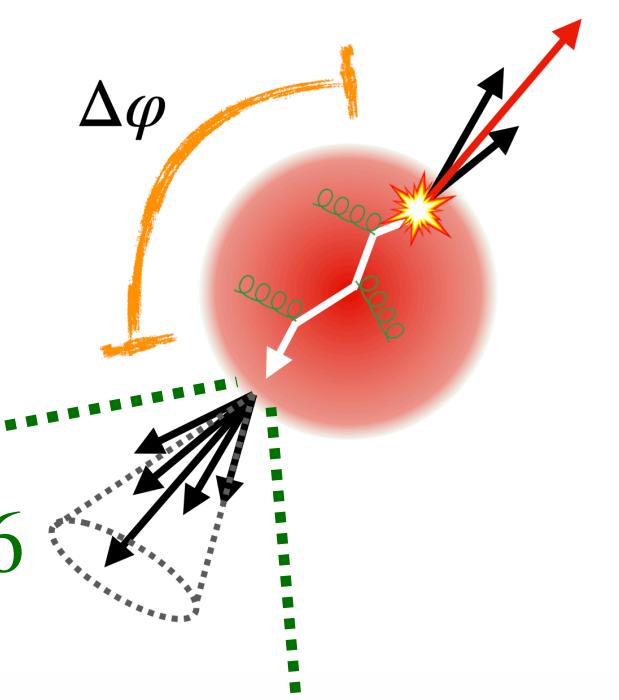
‘Vacuum’ reference crucial for each model - based on PYTHIA

- **pQCD + Sudakov broadening analytical model**

L. Chen et al, Phys.Lett.B 773 (2017) 672-676

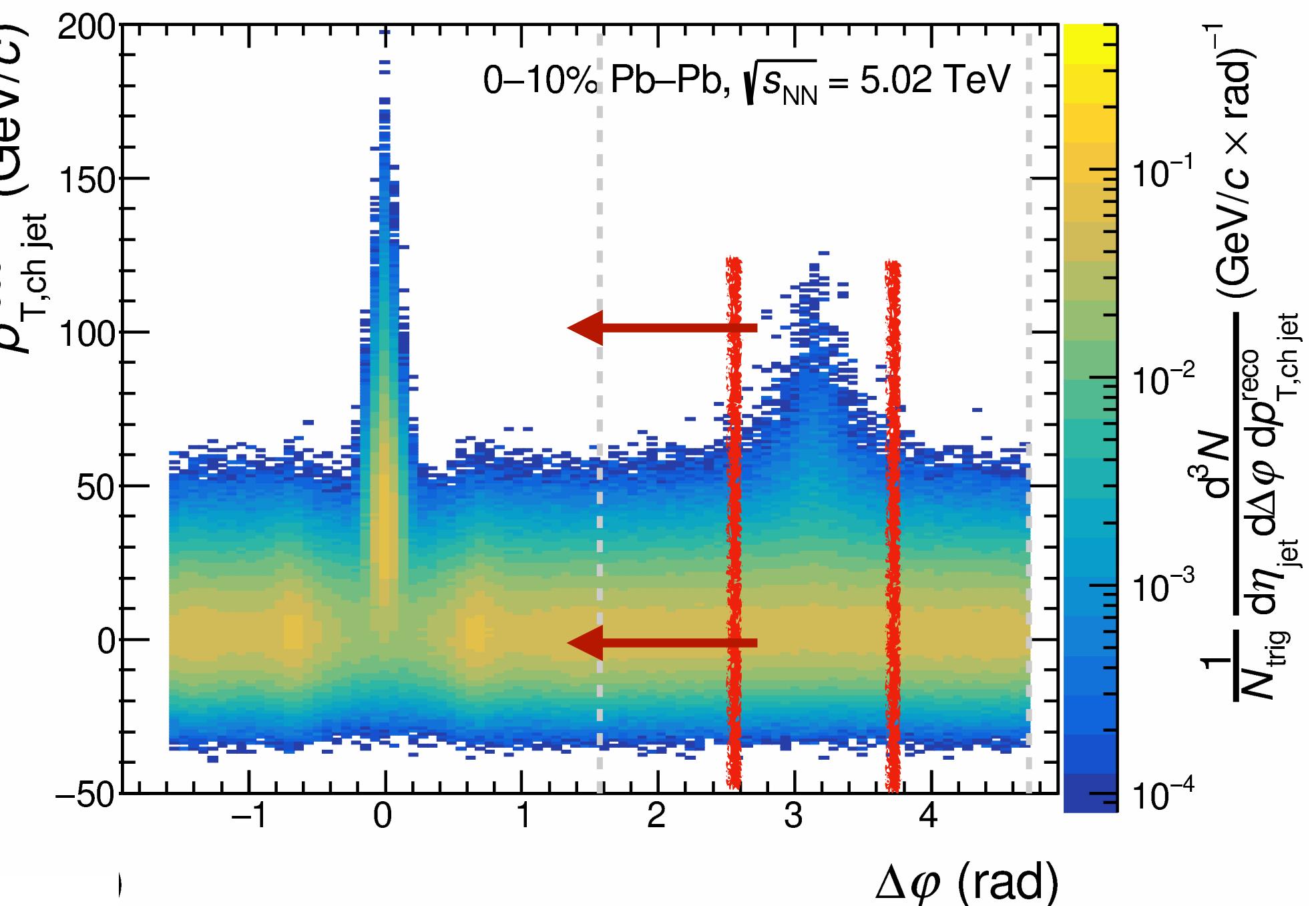
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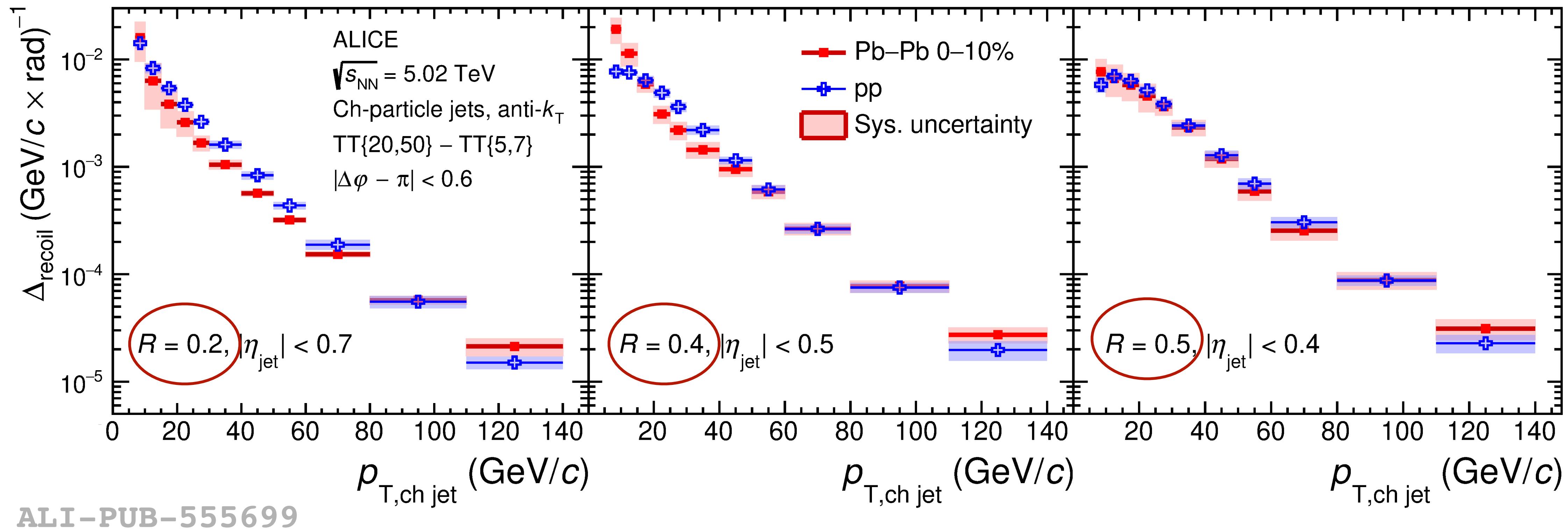


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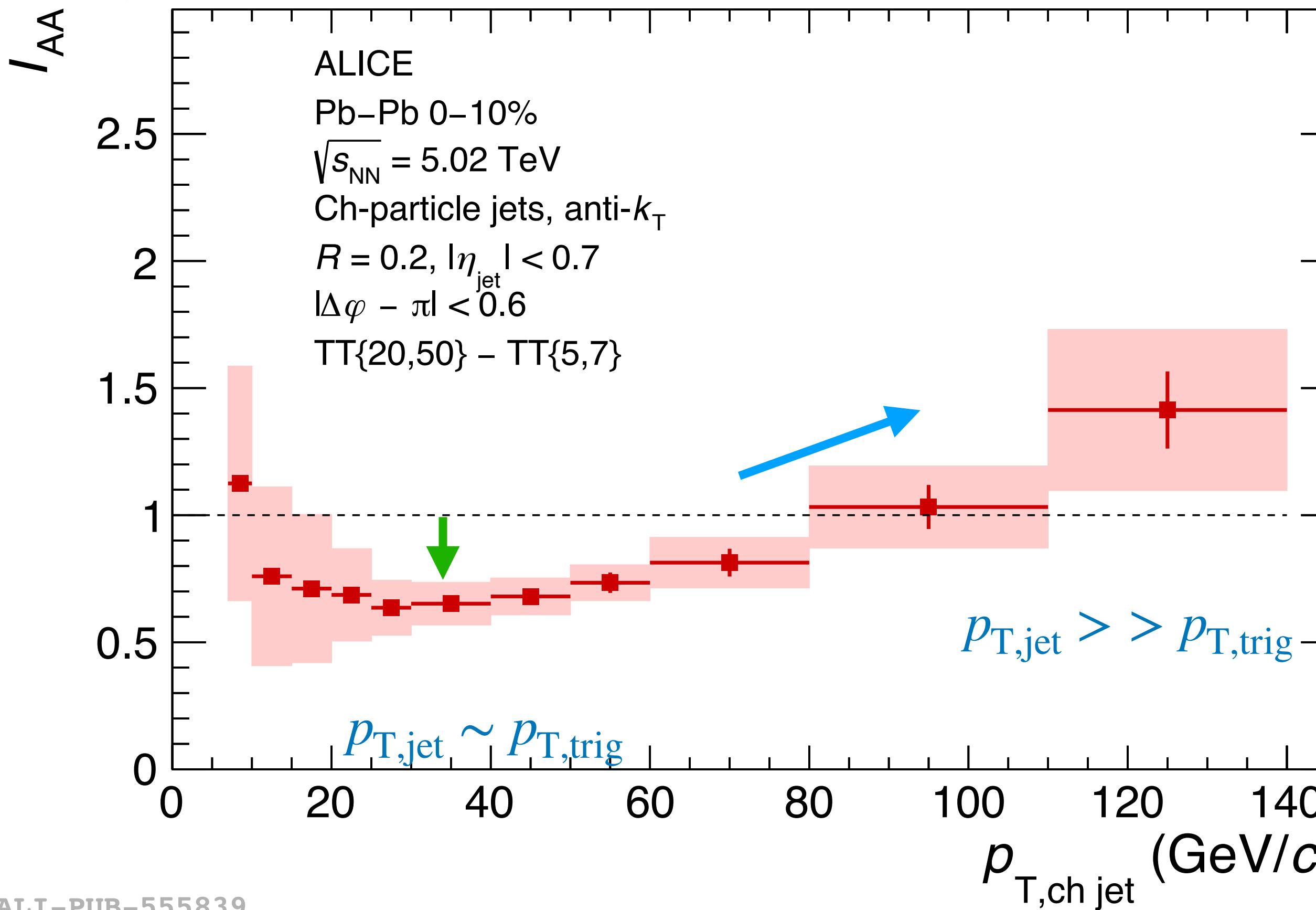
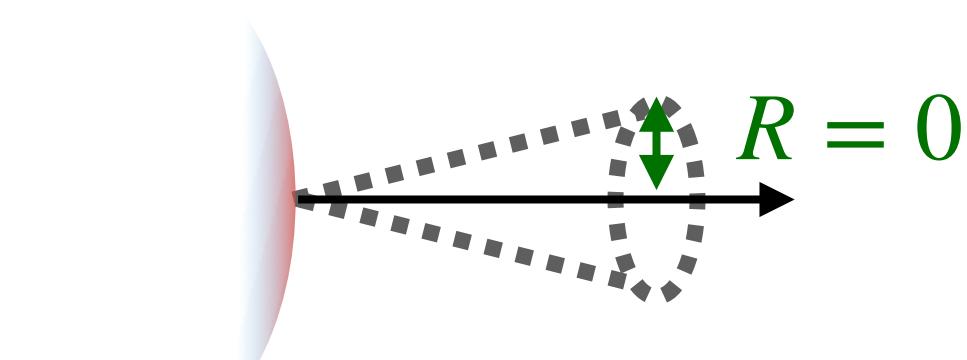


Fully-corrected $\Delta_{\text{recoil}}(p_{T,\text{ch jet}})$ distributions in pp and Pb-Pb collisions

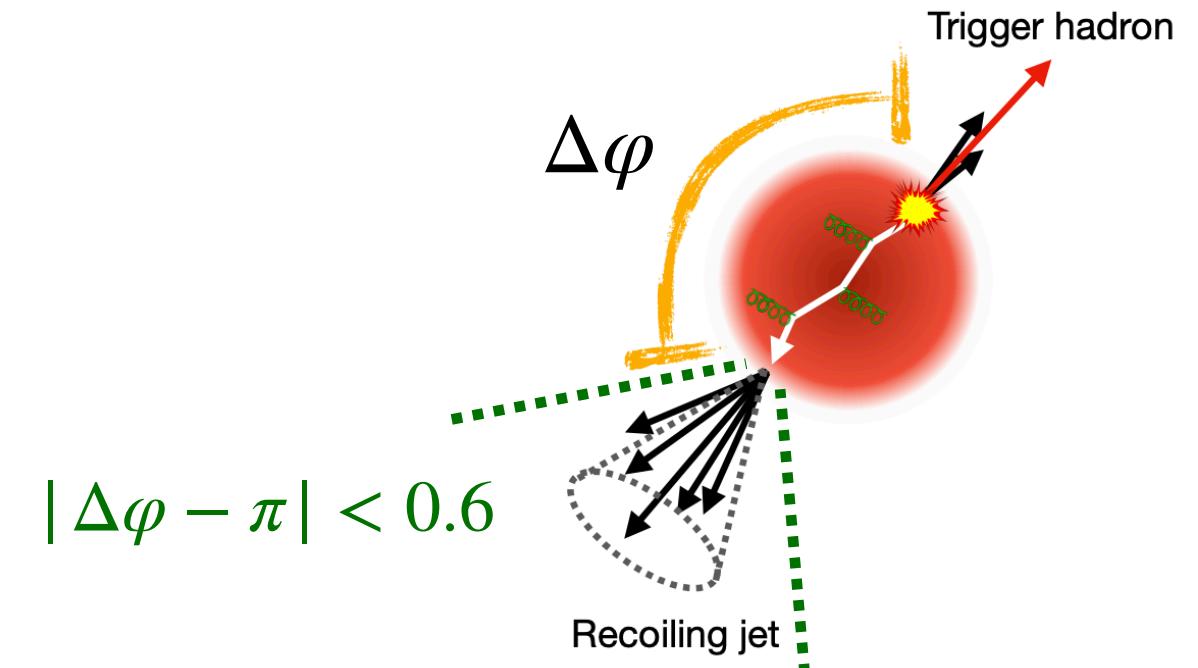


- Δ_{recoil} distributions measured down to $p_{T,\text{jet}} \sim 7 \text{ GeV}/c$ in pp and Pb-Pb collisions
- Among lowest jet p_T measurement in Pb-Pb collisions at the LHC!***

$I_{AA}(p_{T,\text{ch jet}})$ - recoil jet yield modification in Pb-Pb collisions



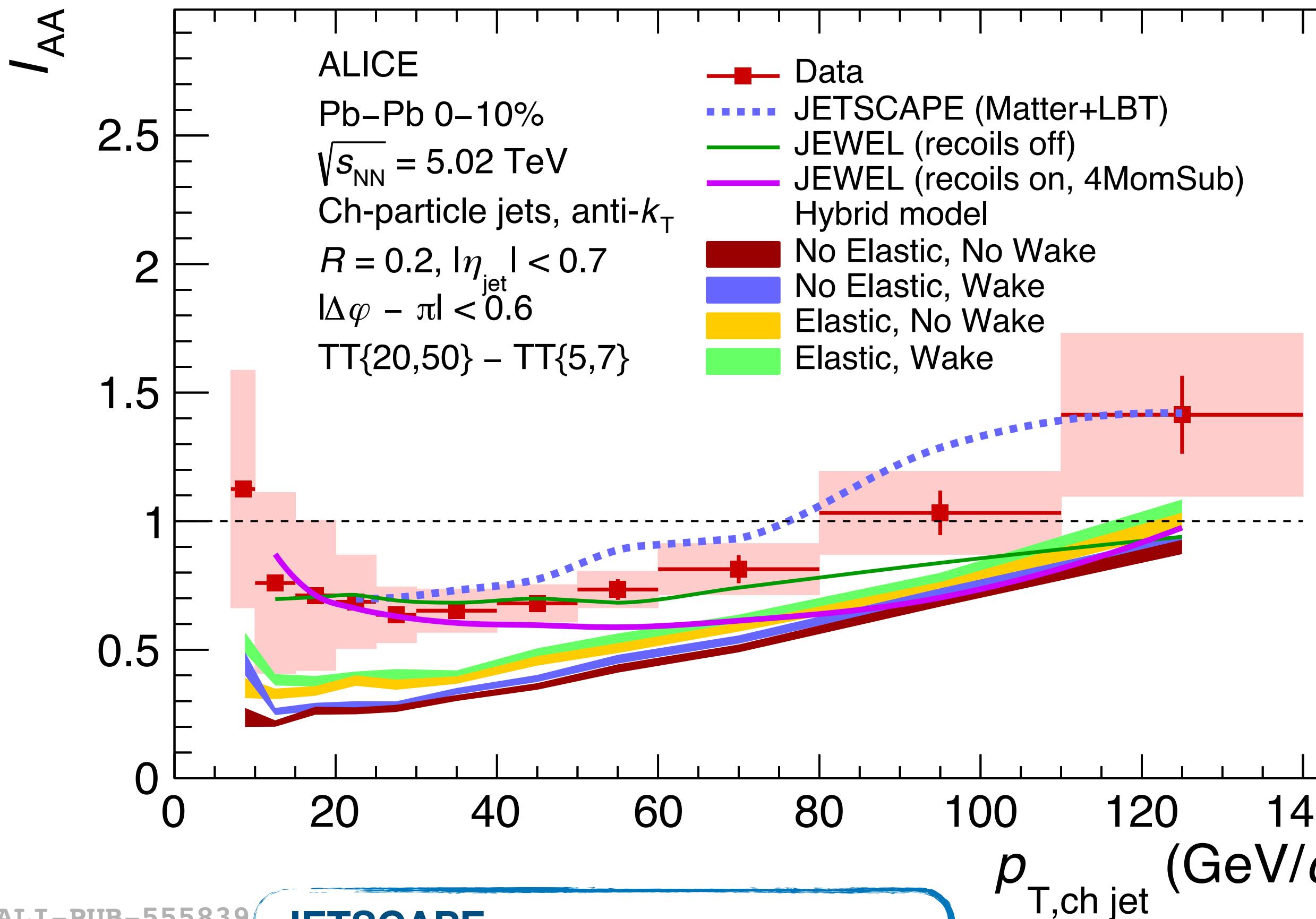
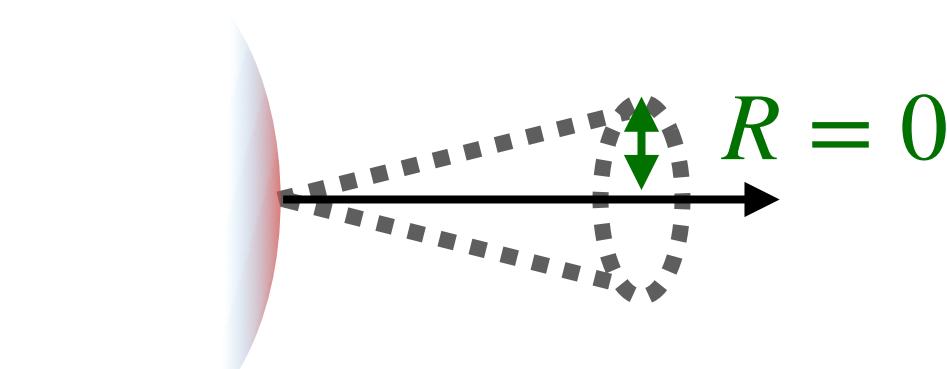
$$I_{AA} = \frac{\Delta_{\text{recoil}}(\text{Pb} - \text{Pb})}{\Delta_{\text{recoil}}(\text{pp})}$$



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→ jet energy loss
- **Rising trend with $p_{T,\text{ch jet}}$**
→ interplay between hadron and jet energy loss?
Larger energy loss of trigger when $p_{T,\text{jet}} >> p_{T,\text{trig}}$

Y. He et al, arxiv:2401.05238

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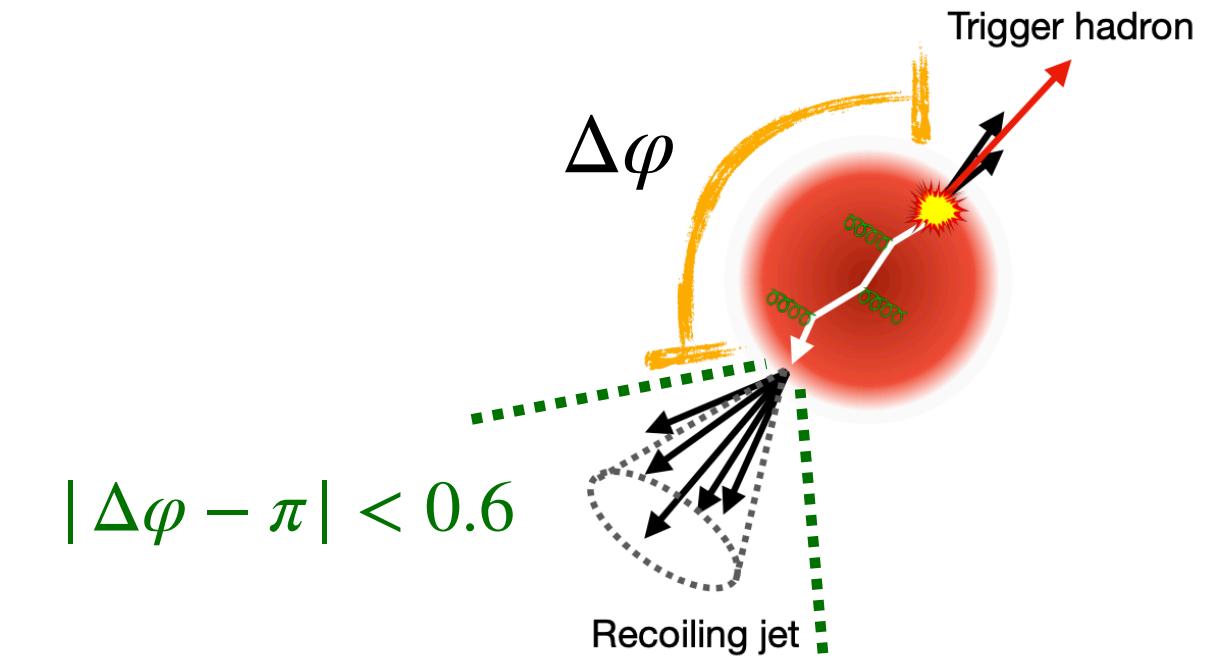
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JETSCAPE

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JETSCAPE, Phys. Rev. C 107, 034911

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- JEWEL describes low- $p_{T,\text{jet}}$ I_{AA}

JEWEL

Medium response effects via treatment of ‘recoils’

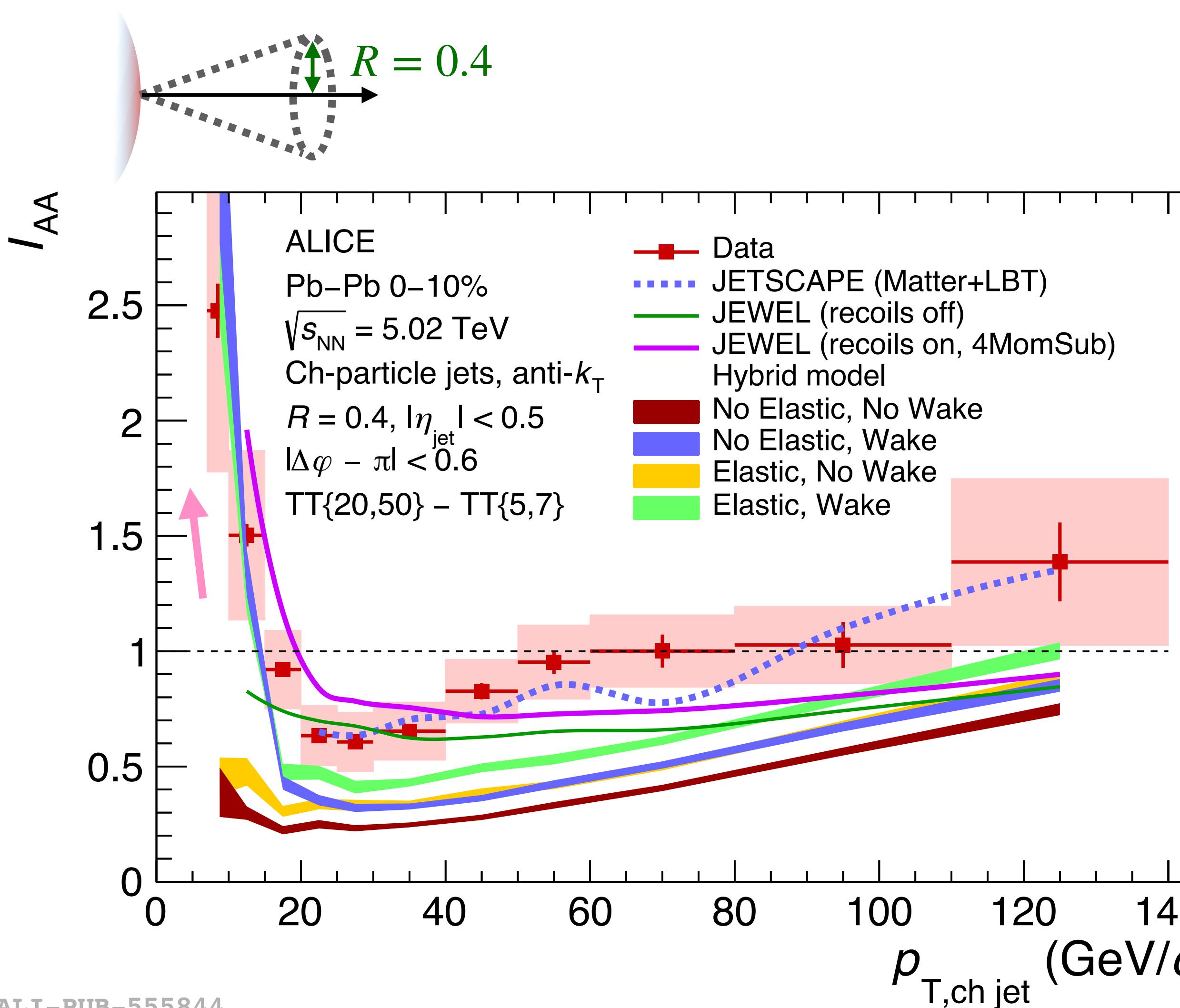
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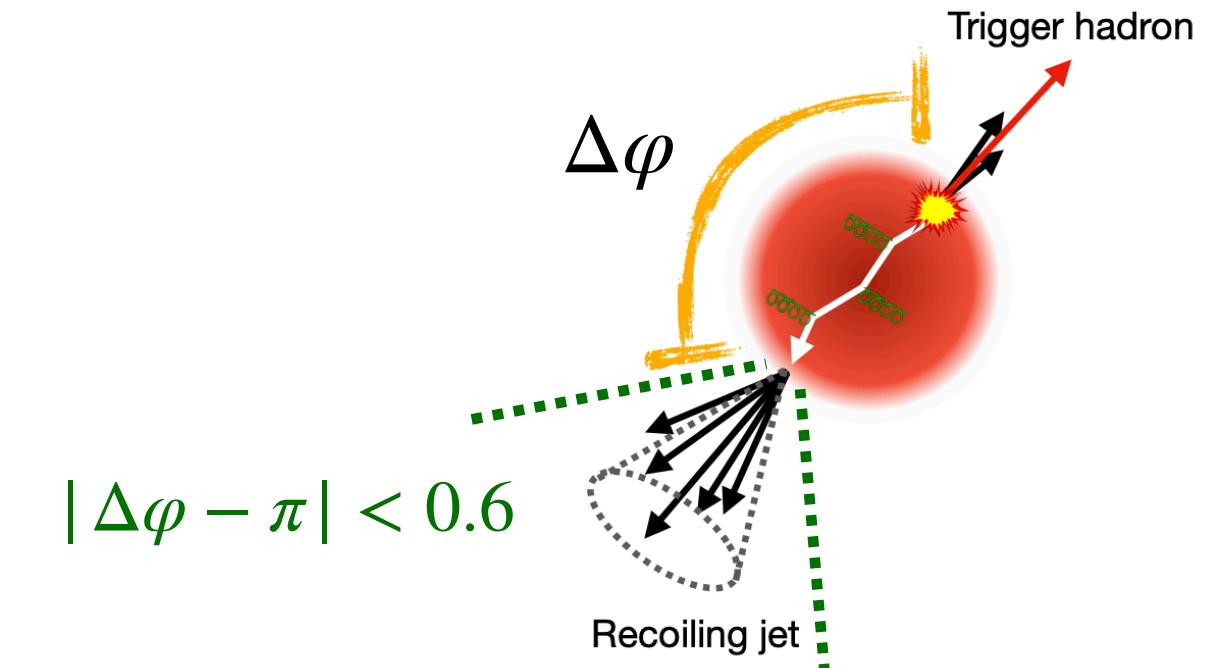
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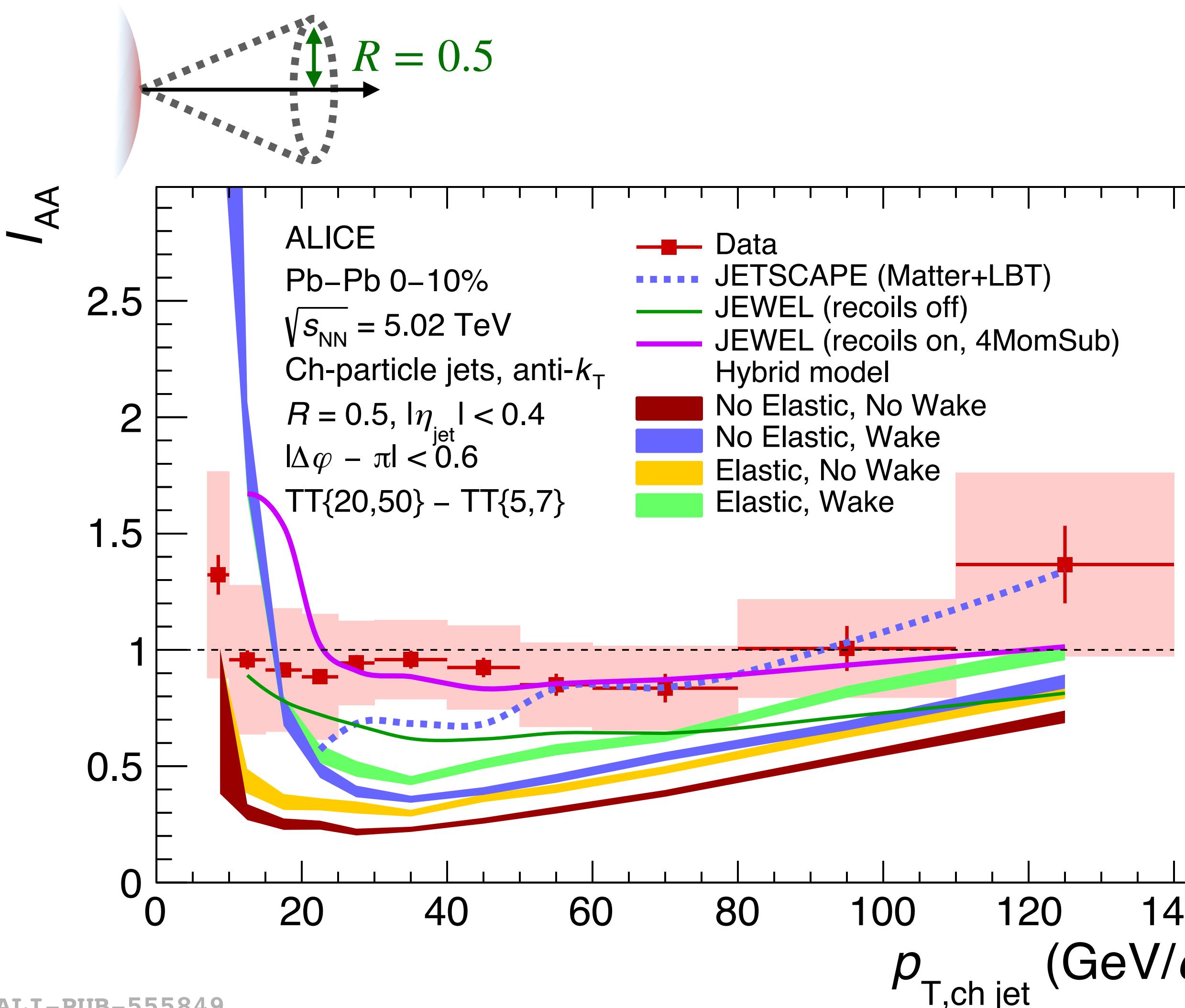


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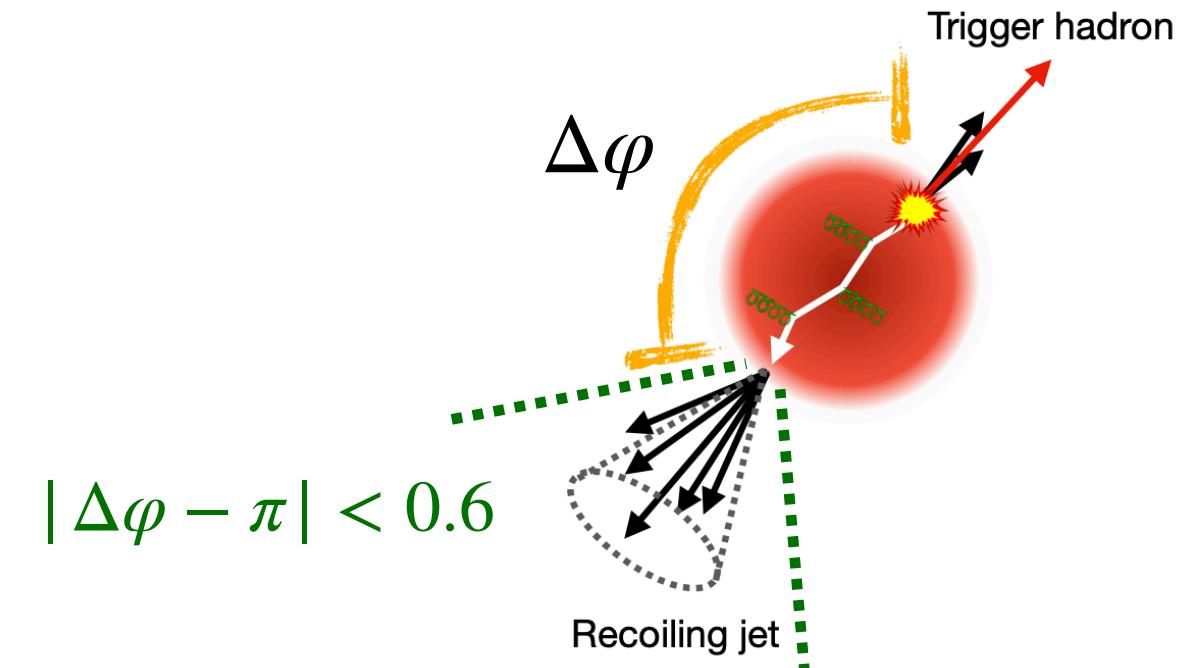


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- **Rise at low $p_{T,\text{ch jet}}$**
→ Energy recovery? Reproduced by models including medium response

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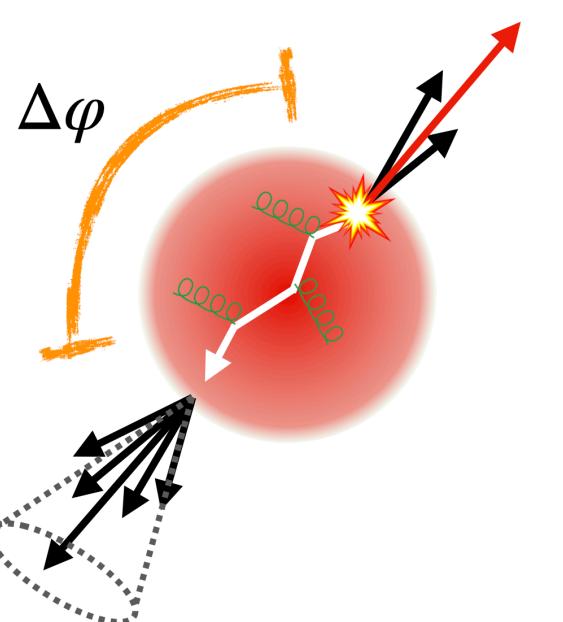


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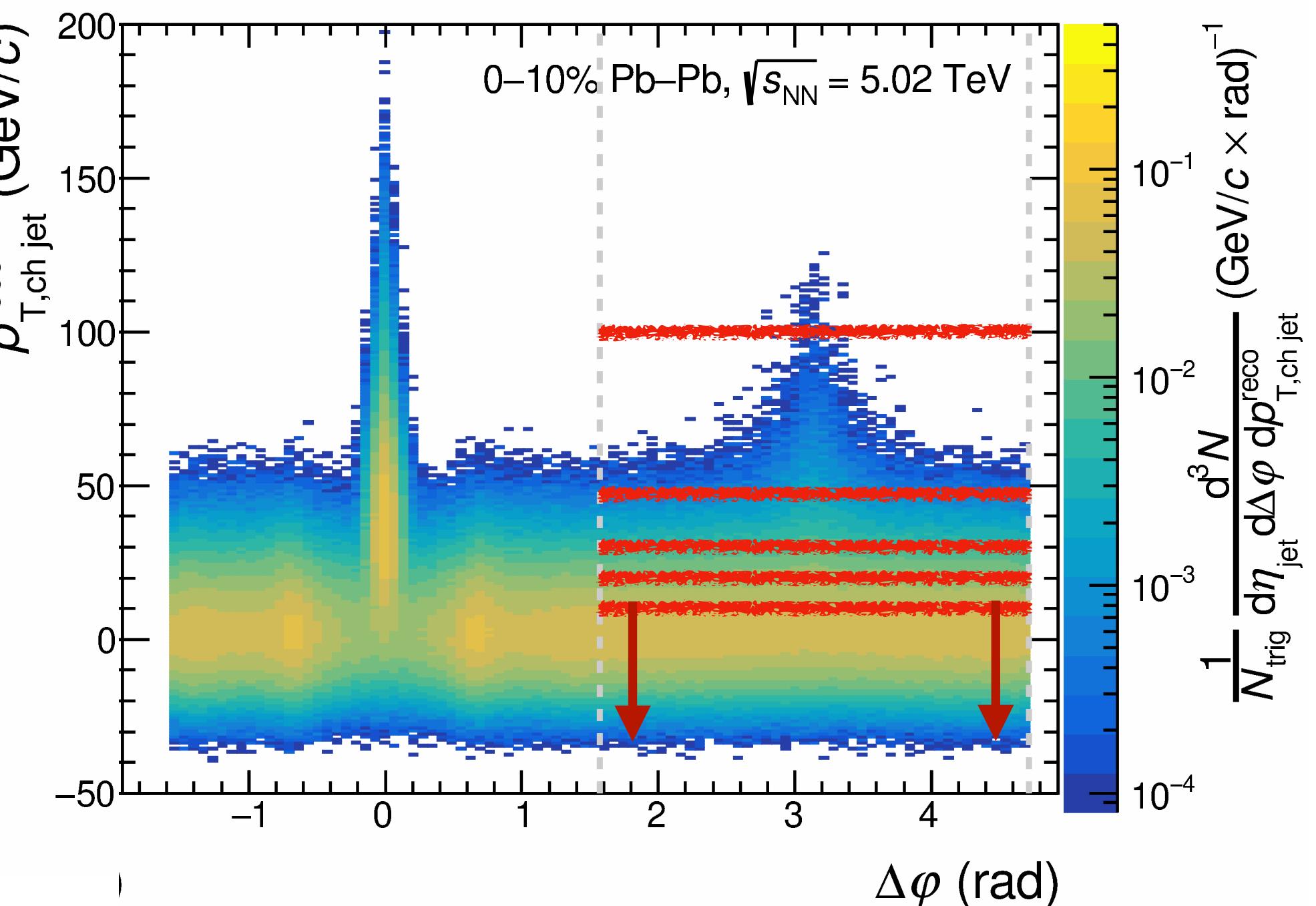
- **$R=0.5$ consistent with no suppression**
 - Little suppression captured by JEWEL (recoils on)
 - Indication of intra-jet energy recovery within cone radius~0.5 for mid- $p_{T,\text{ch jet}}$?
 - Redistribution of energy for $R=0.5$ jets more challenging for models

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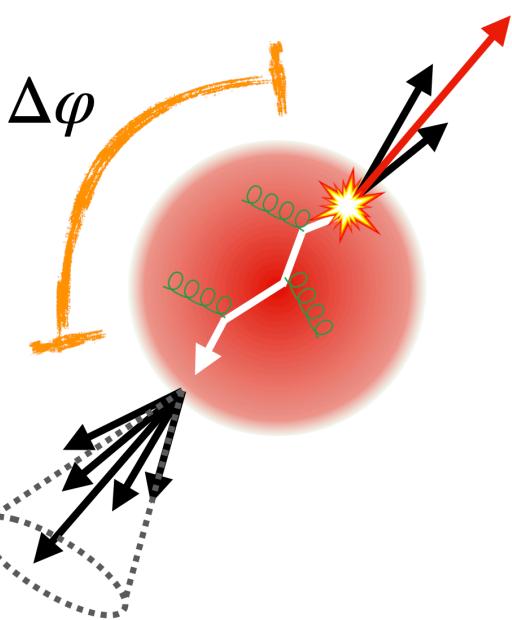
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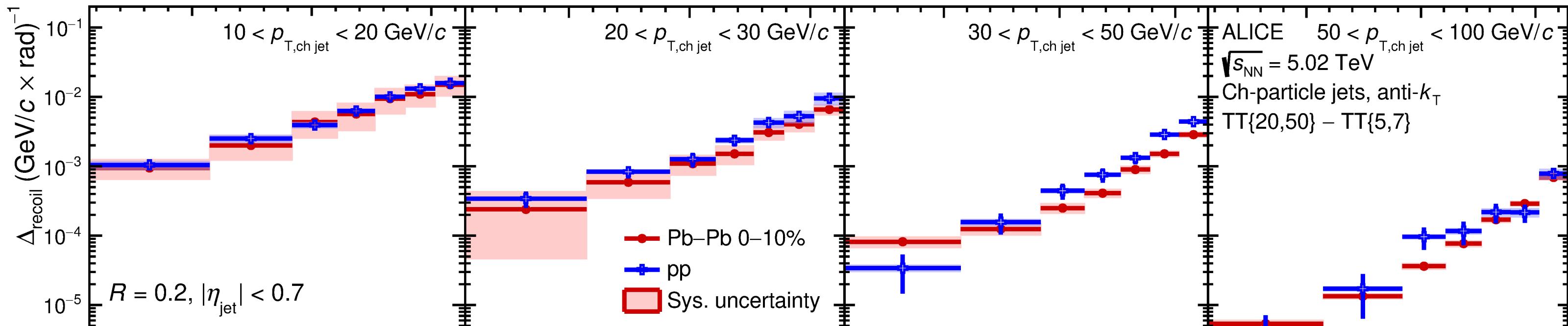


$\Delta_{\text{recoil}}(\Delta\varphi)$ distributions in pp and Pb-Pb collisions

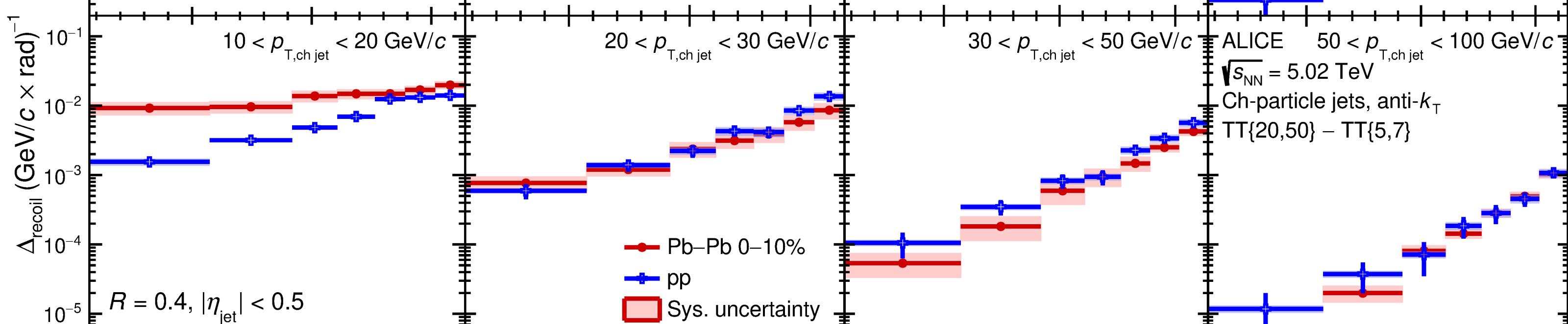
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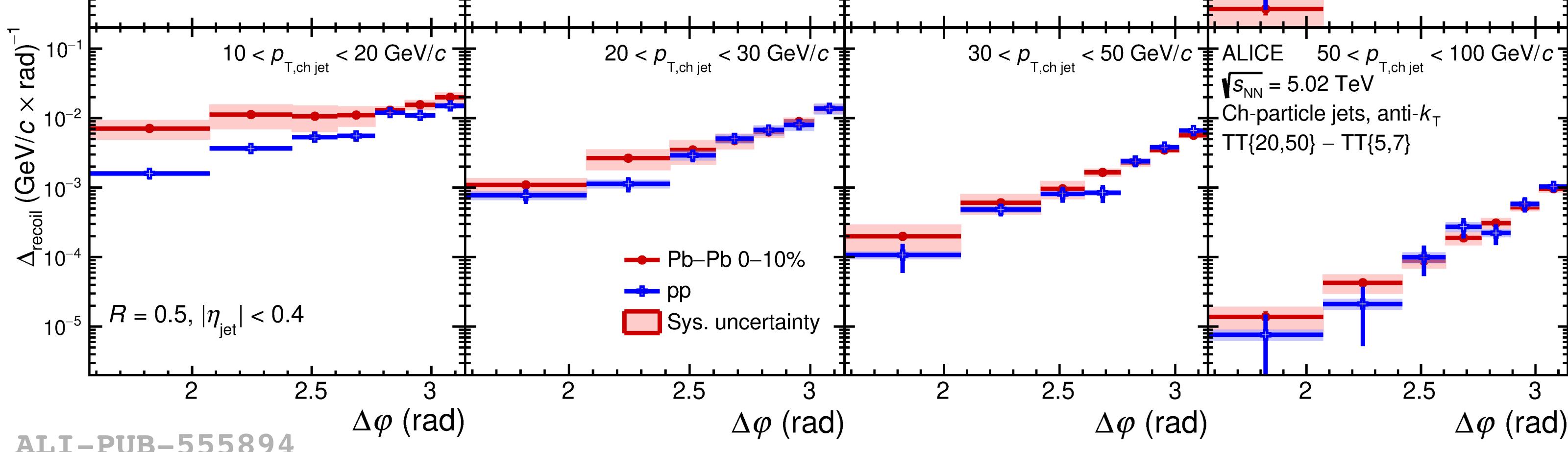
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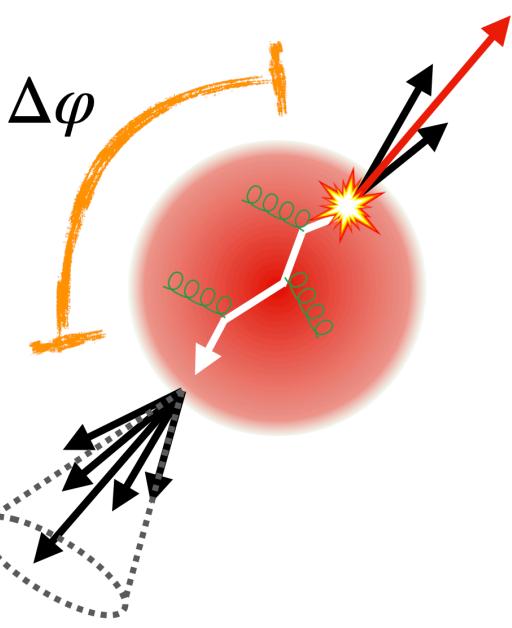
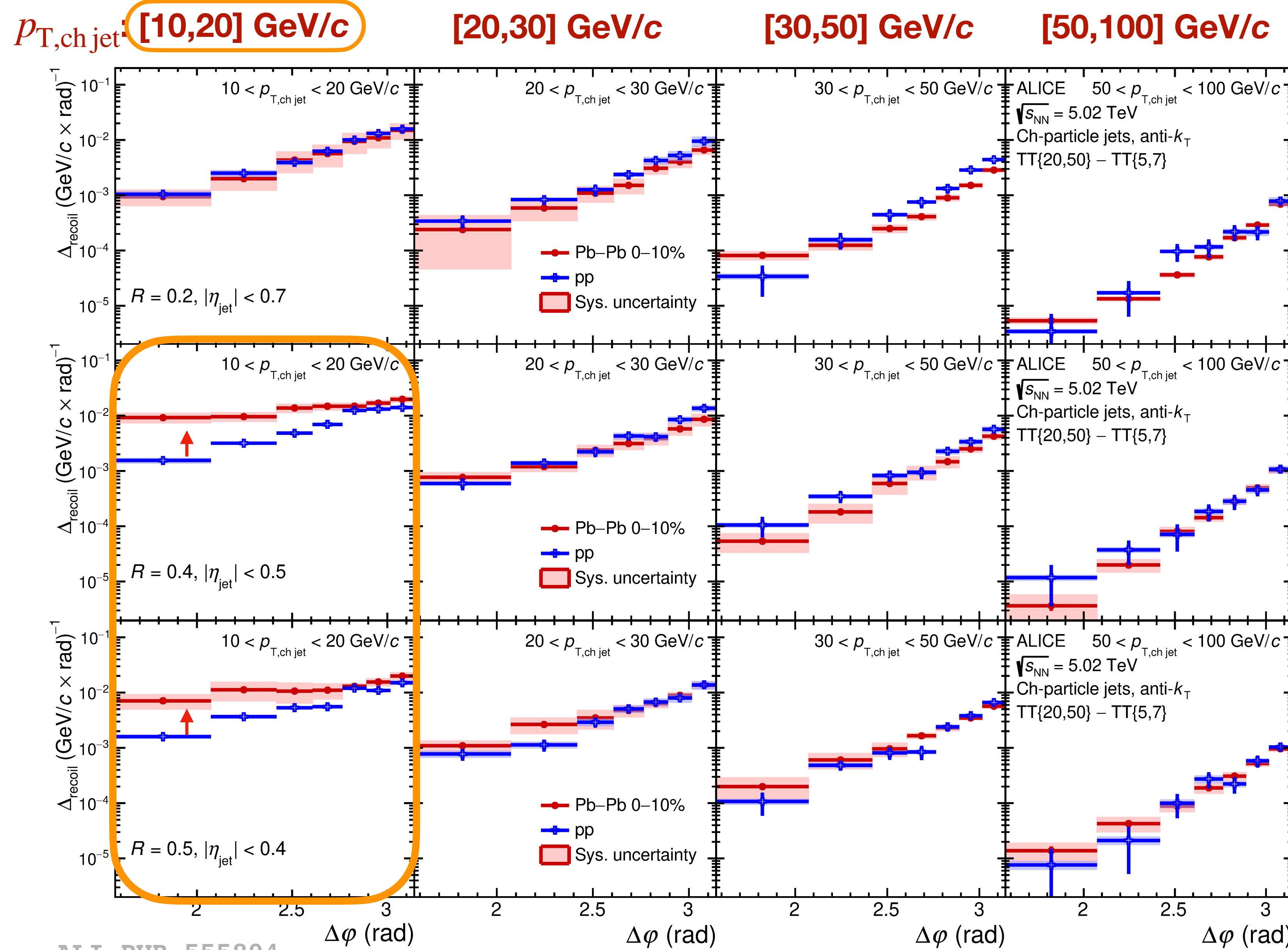


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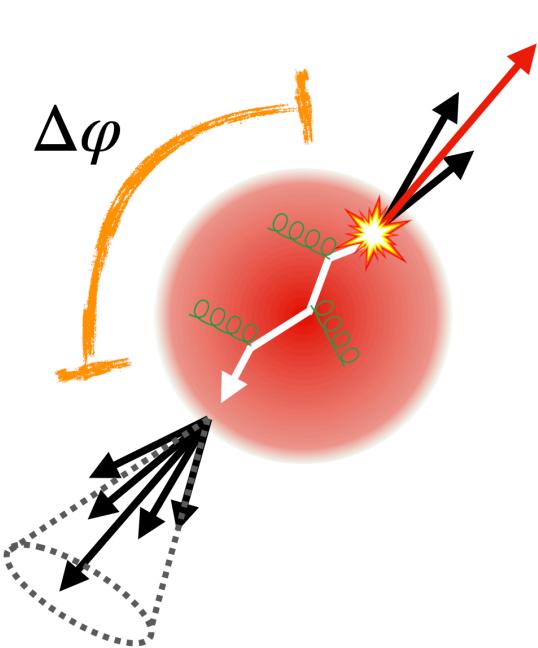
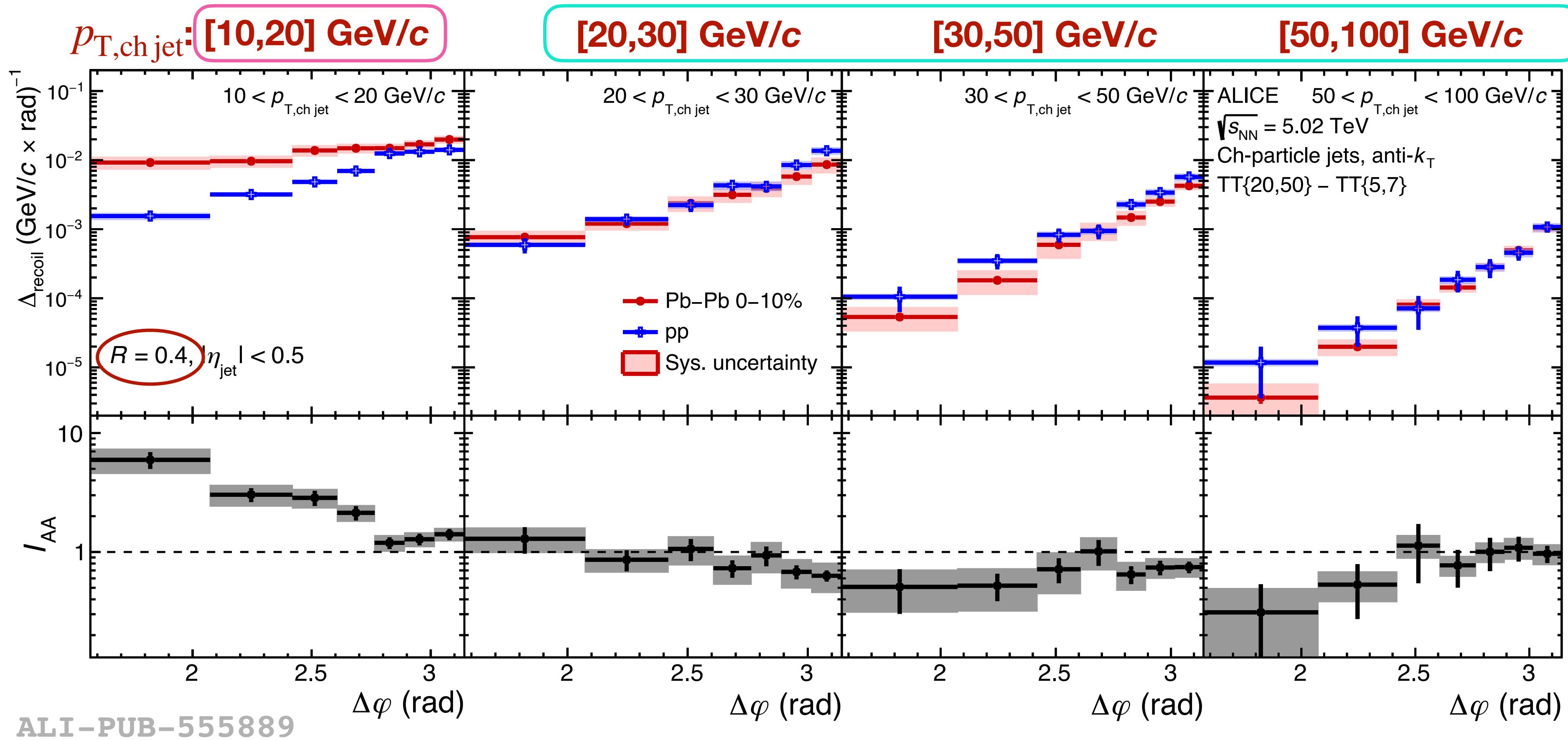
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$\Delta_{\text{recoil}}(\Delta\varphi)$ distributions in pp and Pb-Pb collisions



- Significant azimuthal broadening for $R=0.4$ and $R=0.5$ at low $p_{T,\text{ch jet}}$

$I_{AA}(\Delta\varphi)$ - recoil jet azimuthal modification in Pb-Pb collisions

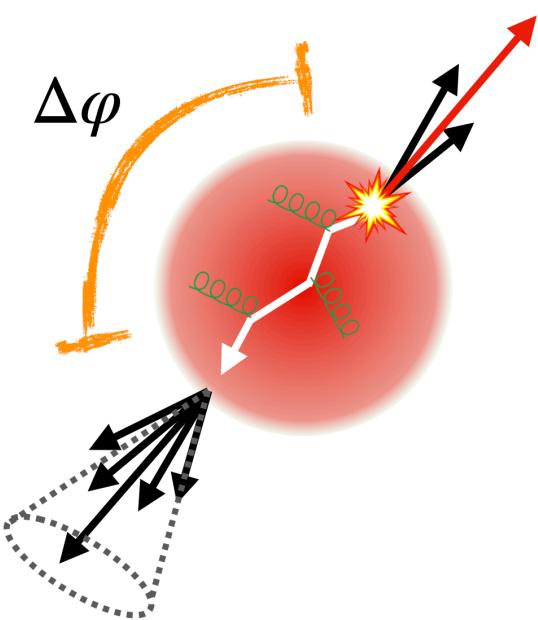
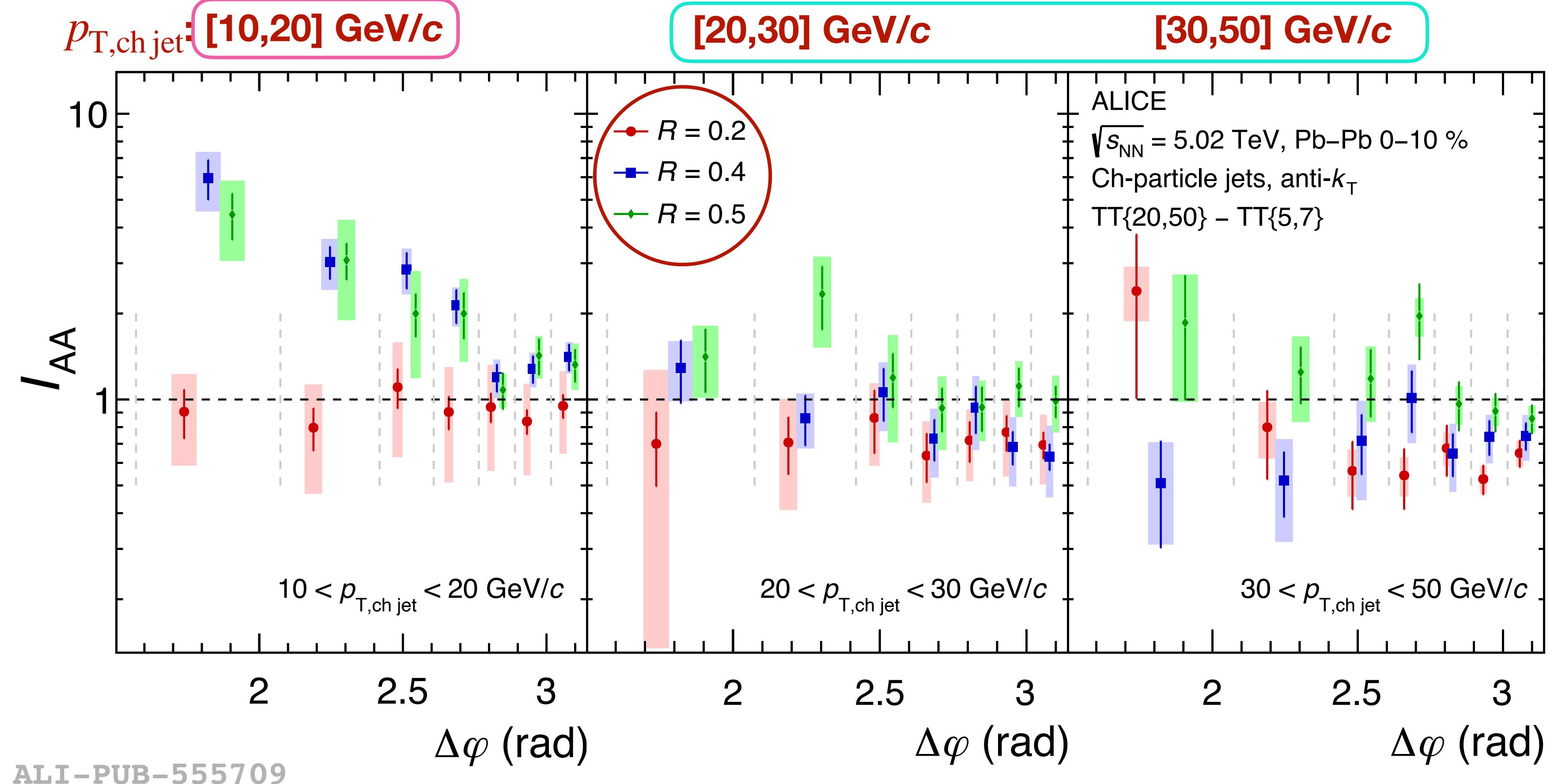


$$I_{AA} = \frac{\Delta_{\text{recoil}}(\text{Pb} - \text{Pb})}{\Delta_{\text{recoil}}(\text{pp})}$$

- No broadening for [20,100] GeV/c → significant broadening for [10,20] GeV/c

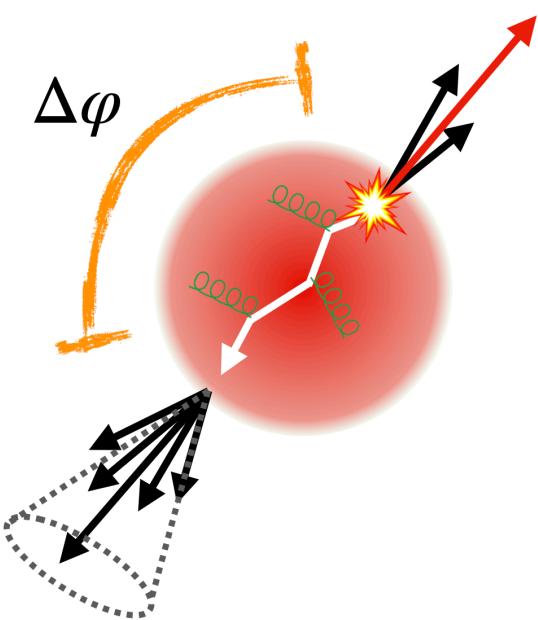
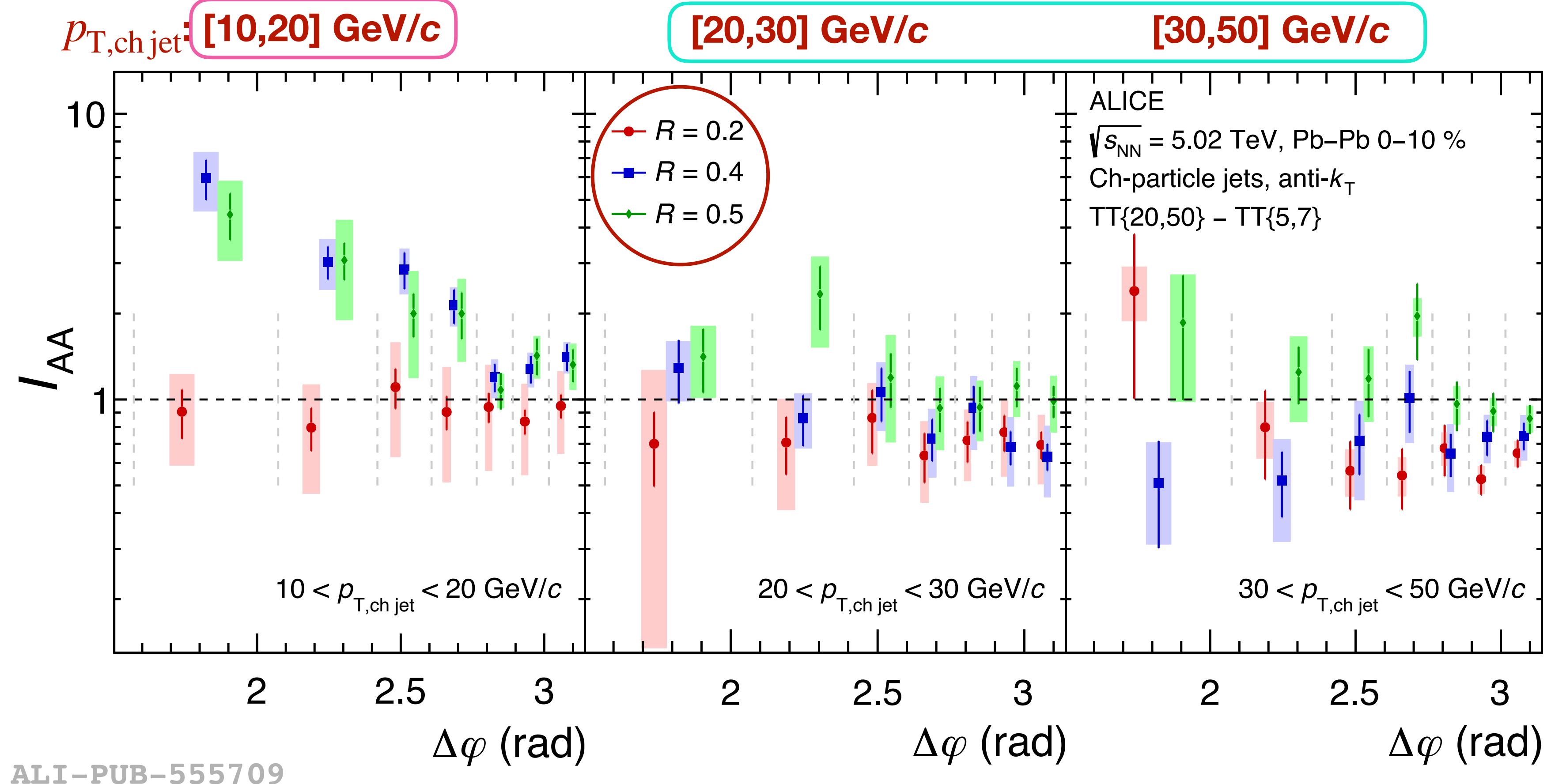
(4.7σ deviation of I_{AA} from flat)

$I_{\text{AA}}(\Delta\varphi)$ vs R



- Transition to broadening from $R=0.2 \rightarrow R=0.4$ for [10,20] GeV/c:
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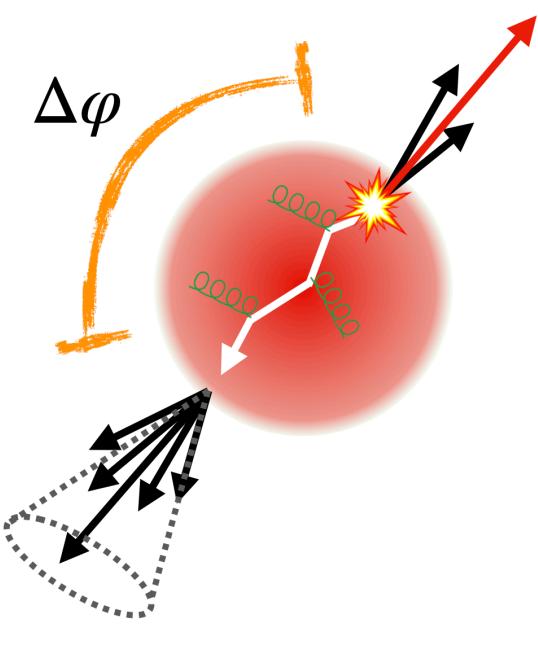
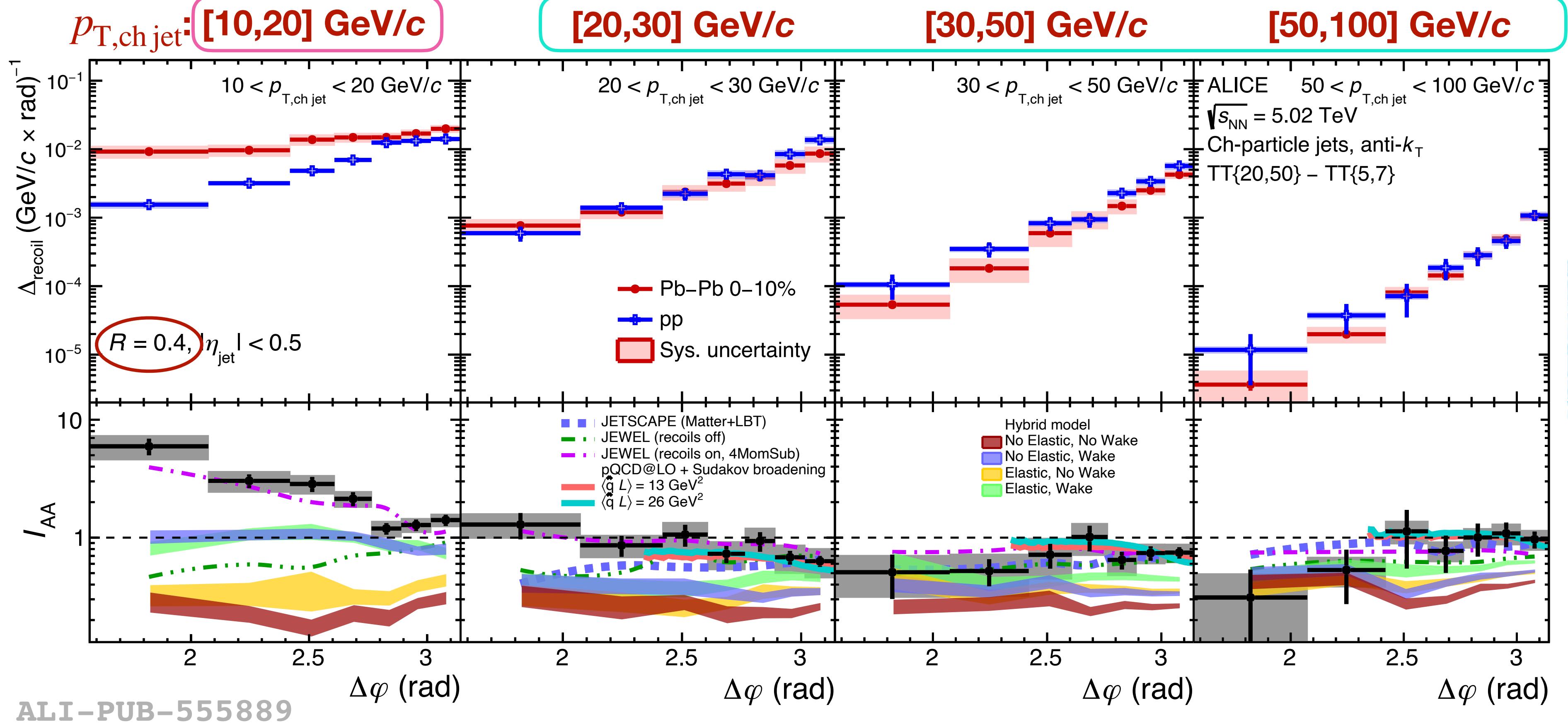
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$I_{AA}(\Delta\varphi)$ compared to models



pQCD + Sudakov broadening

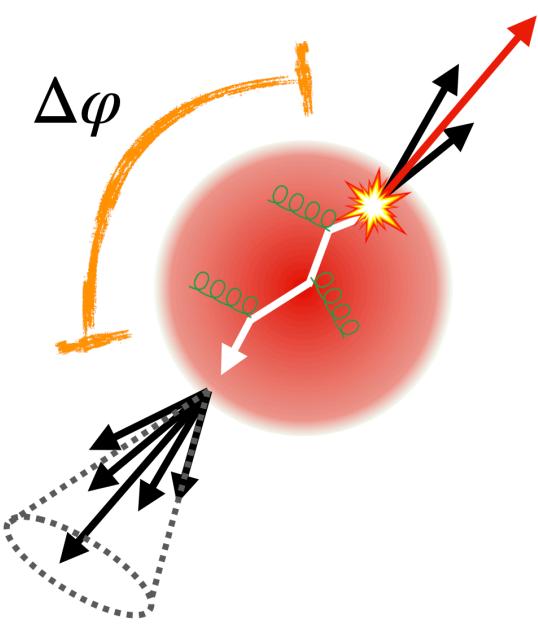
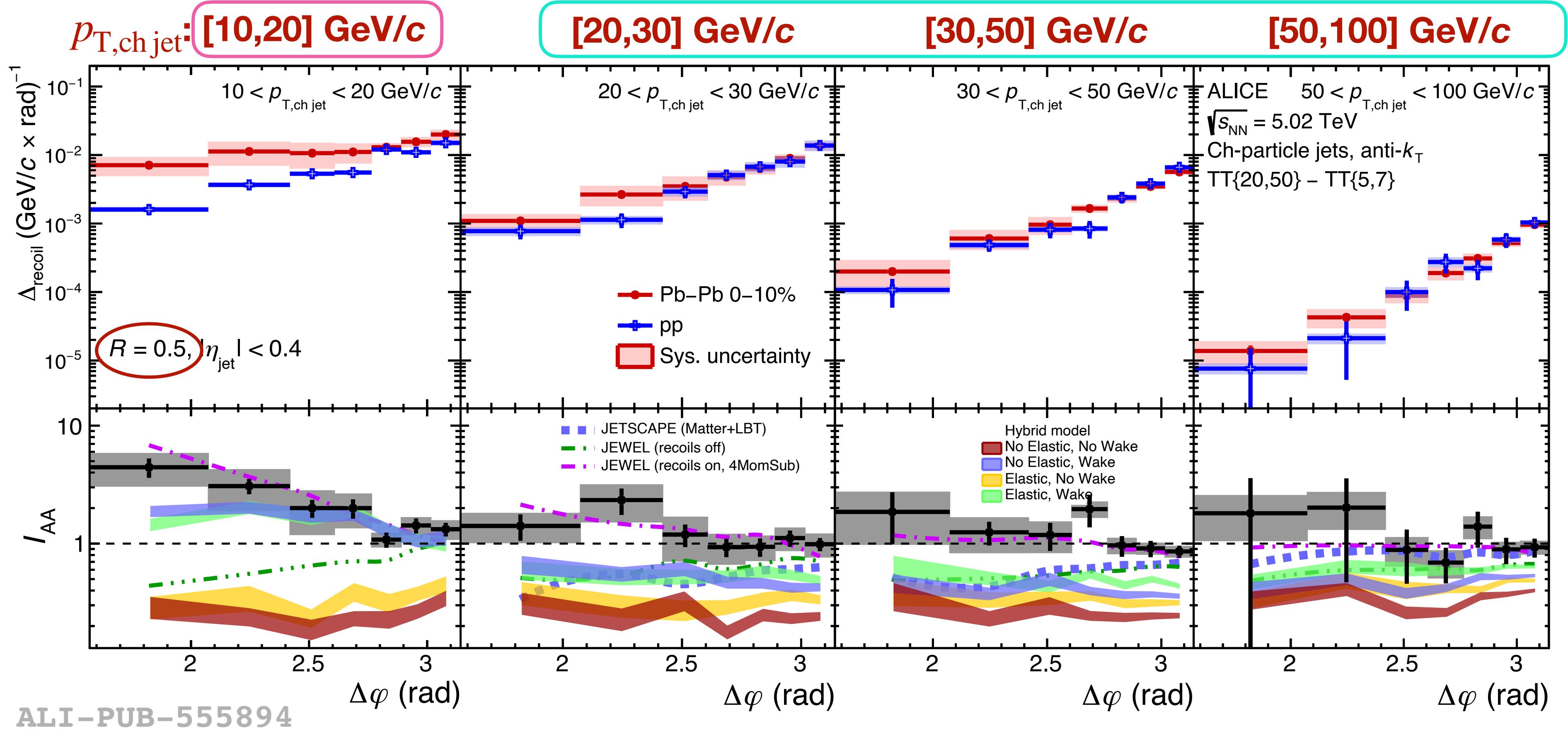
Leading order pQCD, azimuthal broadening via jet transport coefficient

L. Chen et al, Phys.Lett.B 773 (2017) 672-676

$$I_{AA} = \frac{\Delta_{\text{recoil}}(\text{Pb} - \text{Pb})}{\Delta_{\text{recoil}}(\text{pp})}$$

- Hybrid model w/ wake: captures yield enhancement. w/ elastic: negligible broadening
- pQCD w/ broadening via \hat{q} : lacking precision to resolve difference between two \hat{q} values
- JEWEL (recoils on): captures all features of data

$I_{AA}(\Delta\varphi)$ compared to models

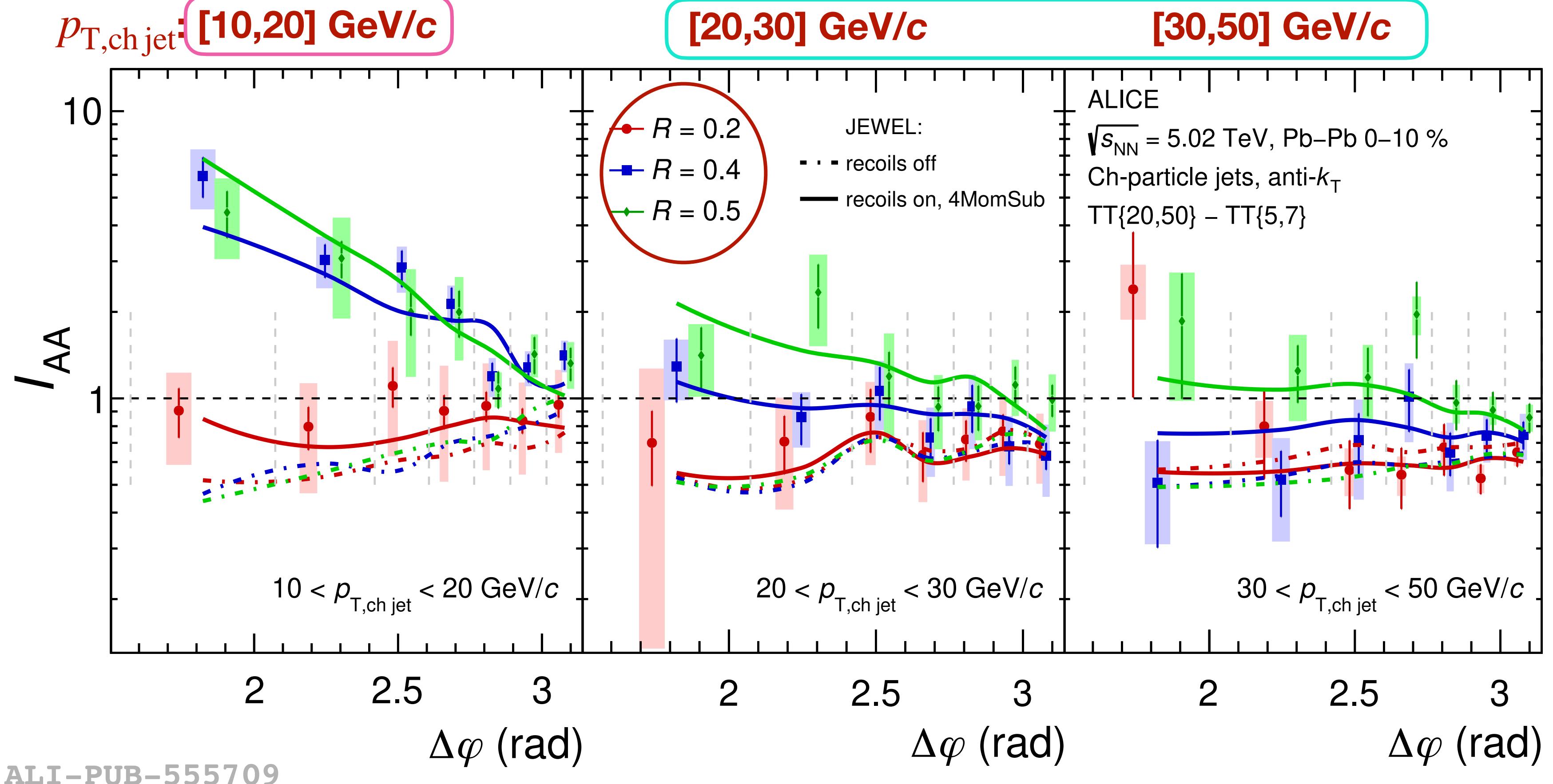


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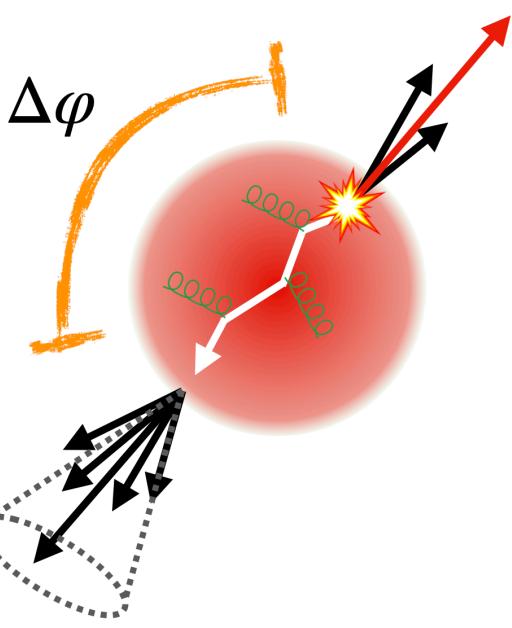
- Hybrid model w/ wake: captures broadening for higher R
- JEWEL (recoils on): captures all features of data

→ Models further confirm picture that measured broadening predominantly due to medium response

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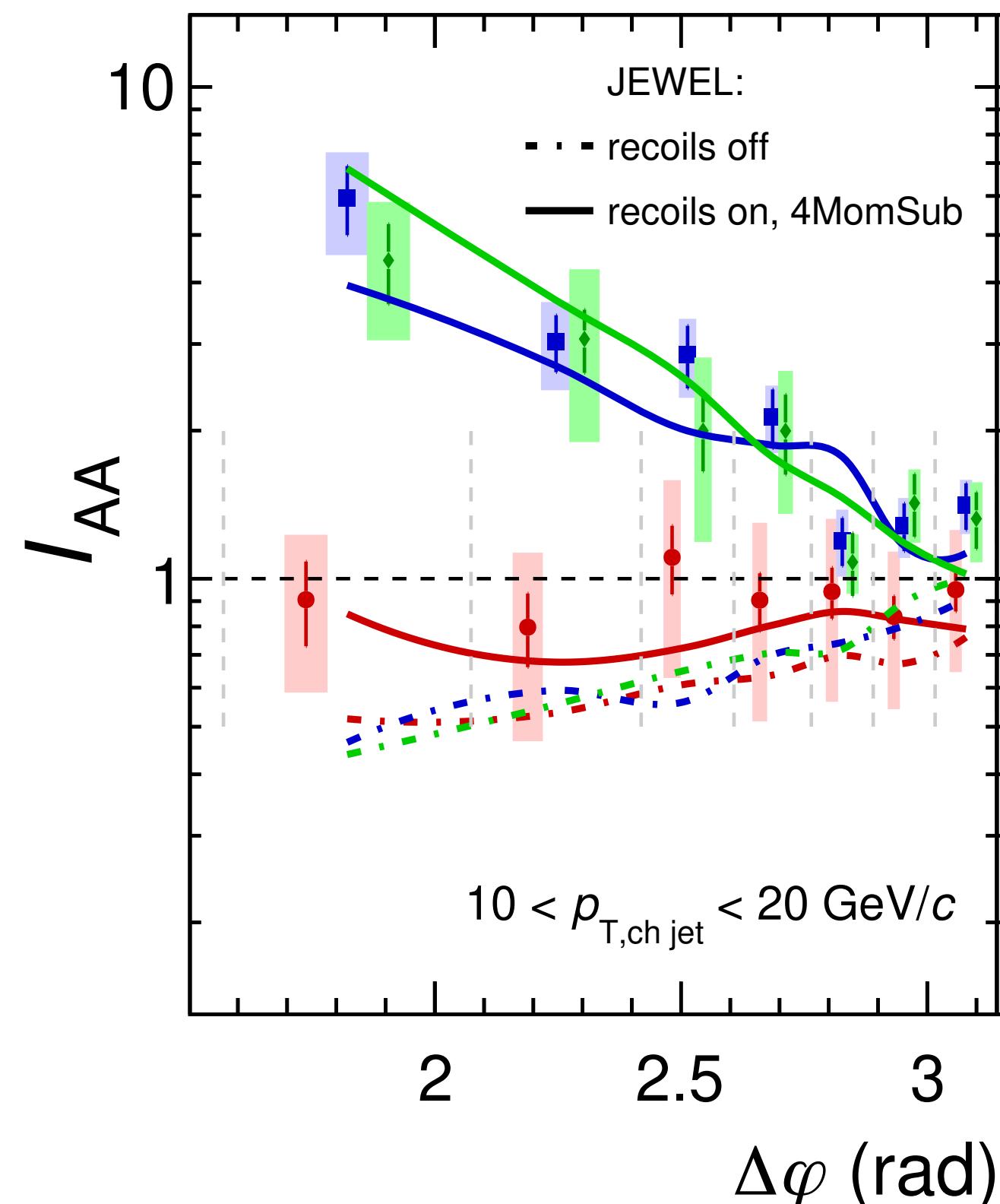
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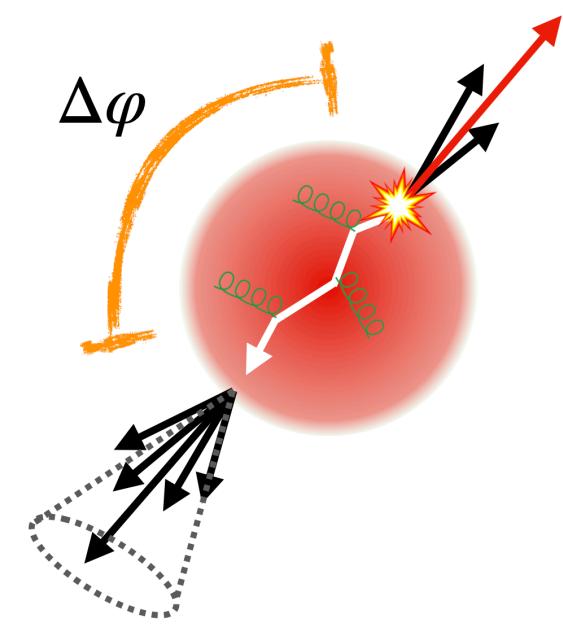
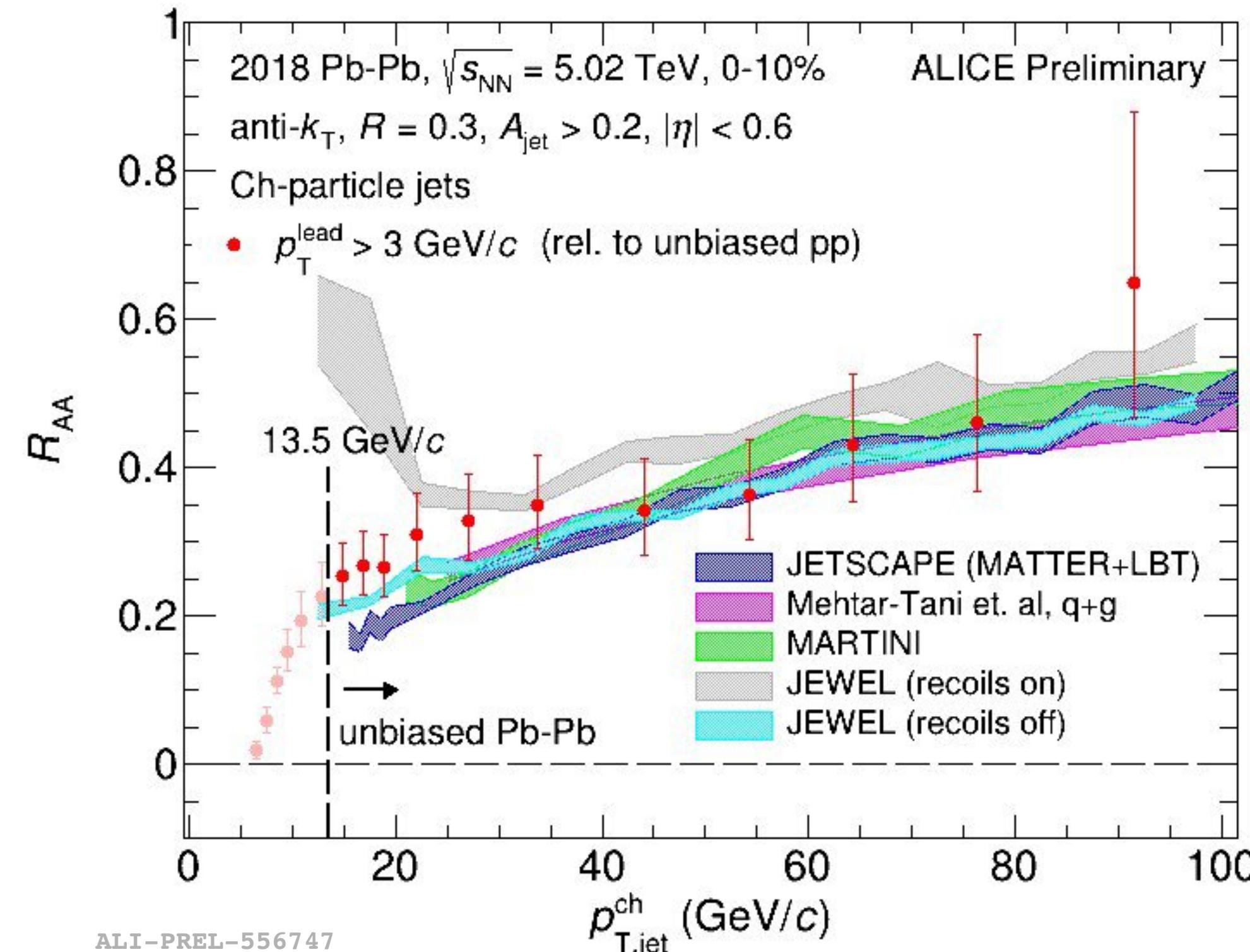
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h+jet



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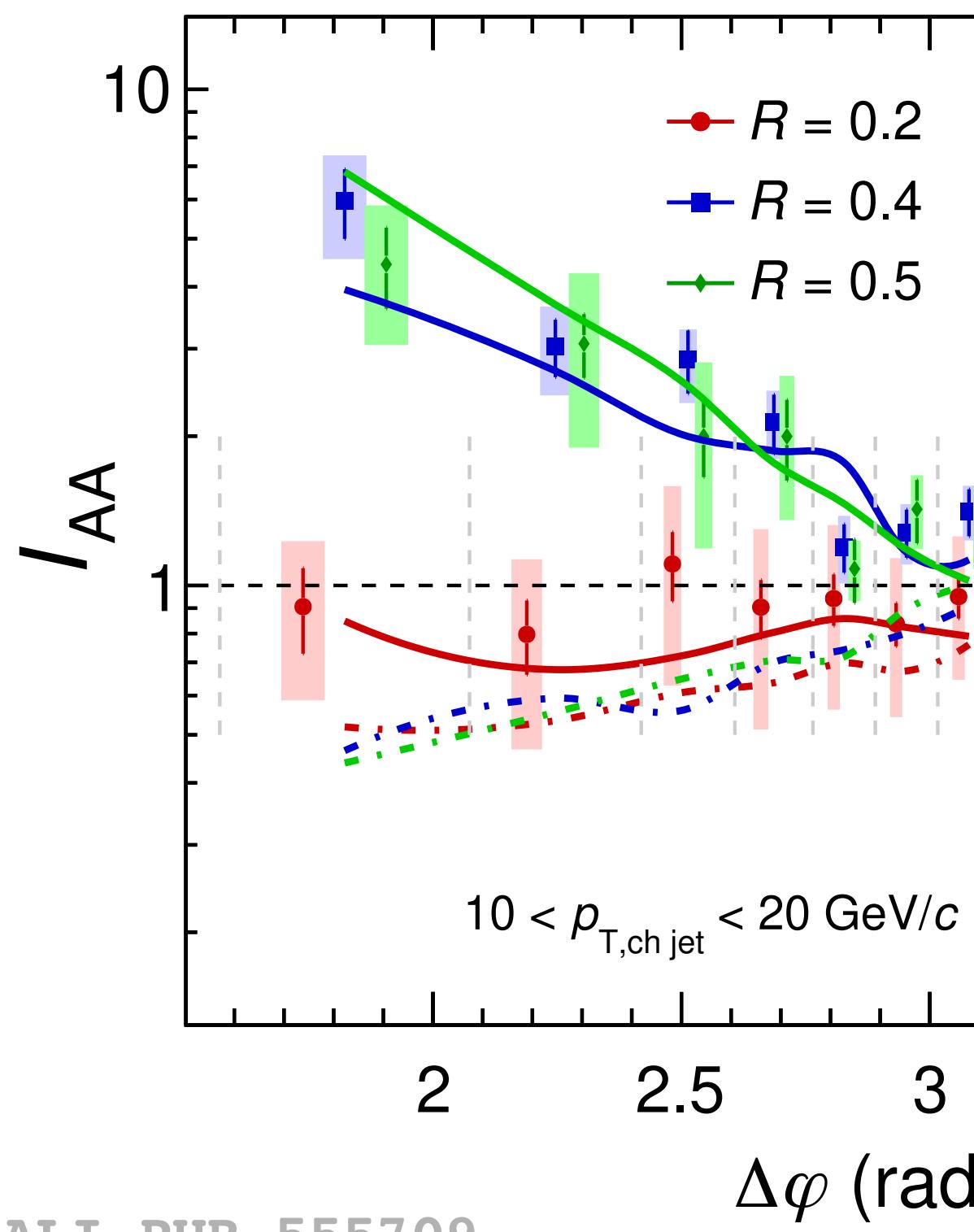
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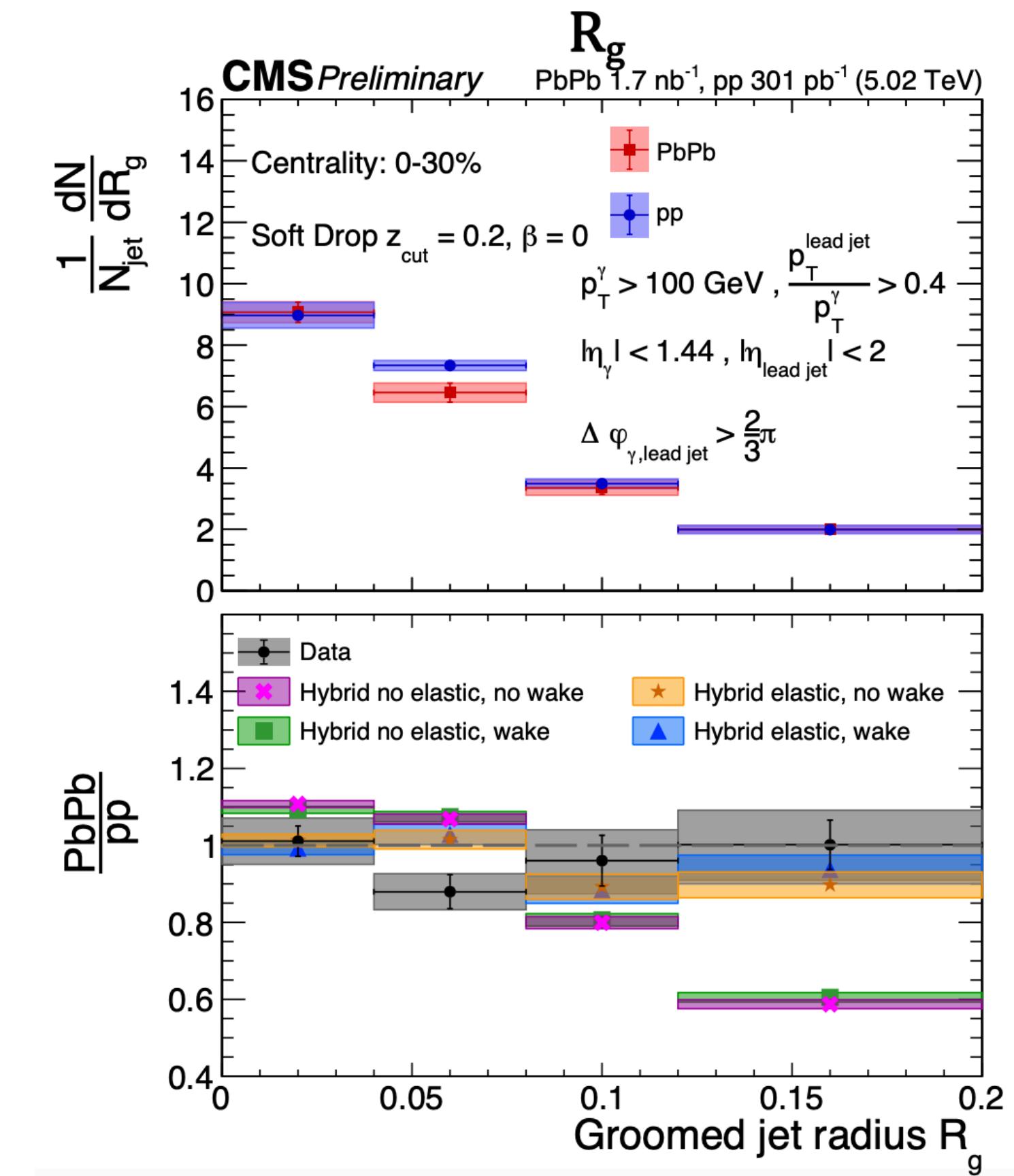
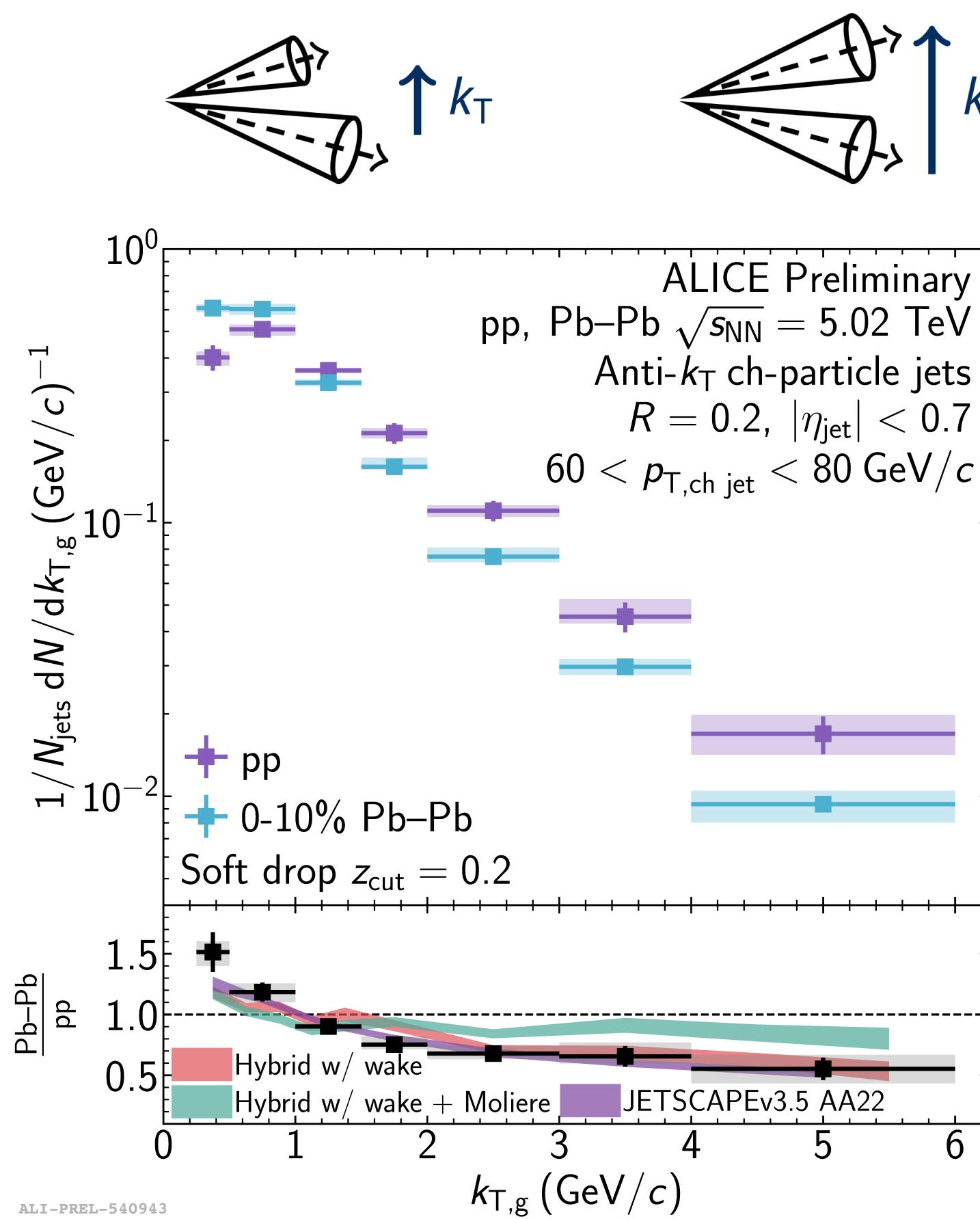
- All features of distribution **reproduced by JEWEL** with recoils on ...
- ... but no model incorporating medium response describes all measured observables

Next steps - precise characterisation of quenching effects

Characterise broadening



Substructure measurements offer promising way to find scatterings



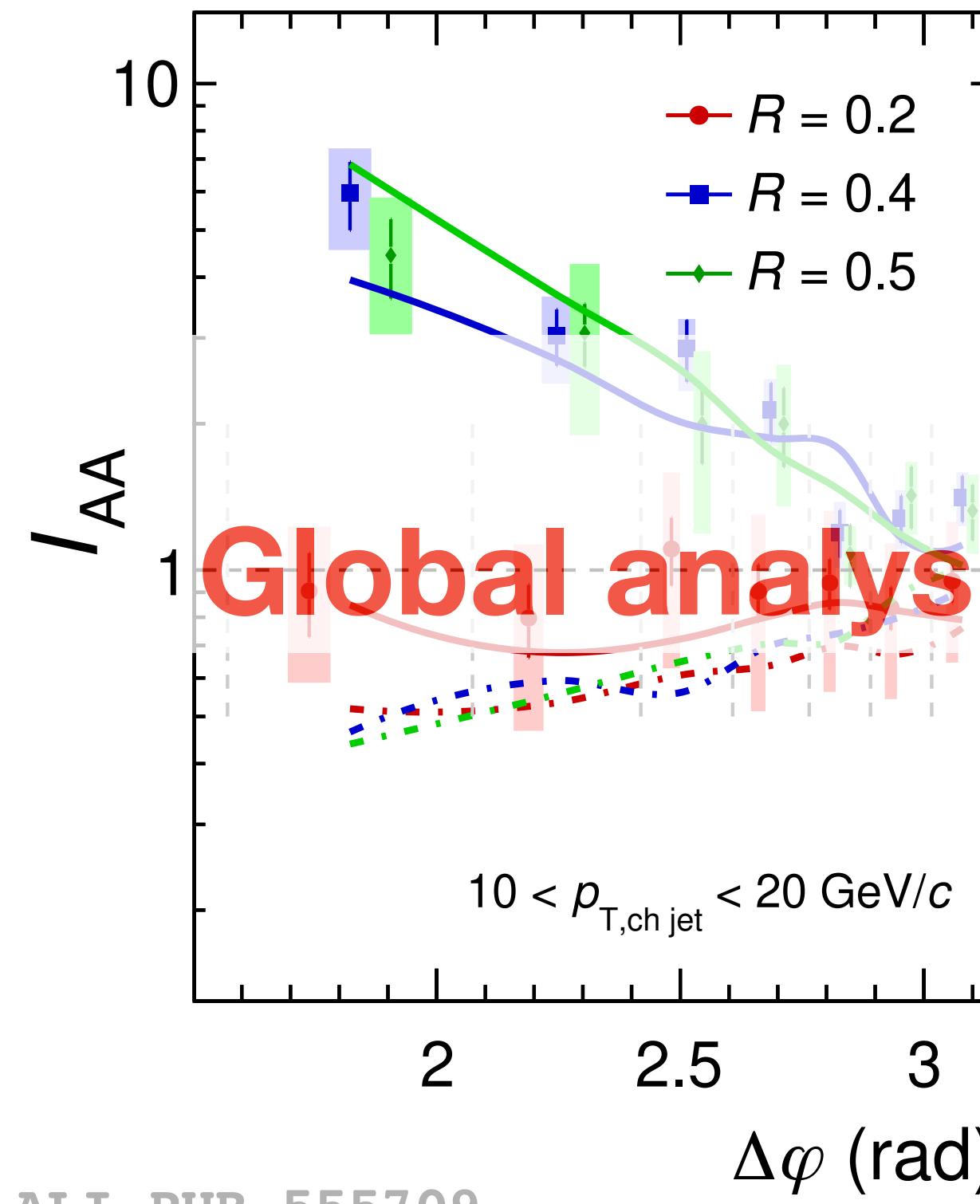
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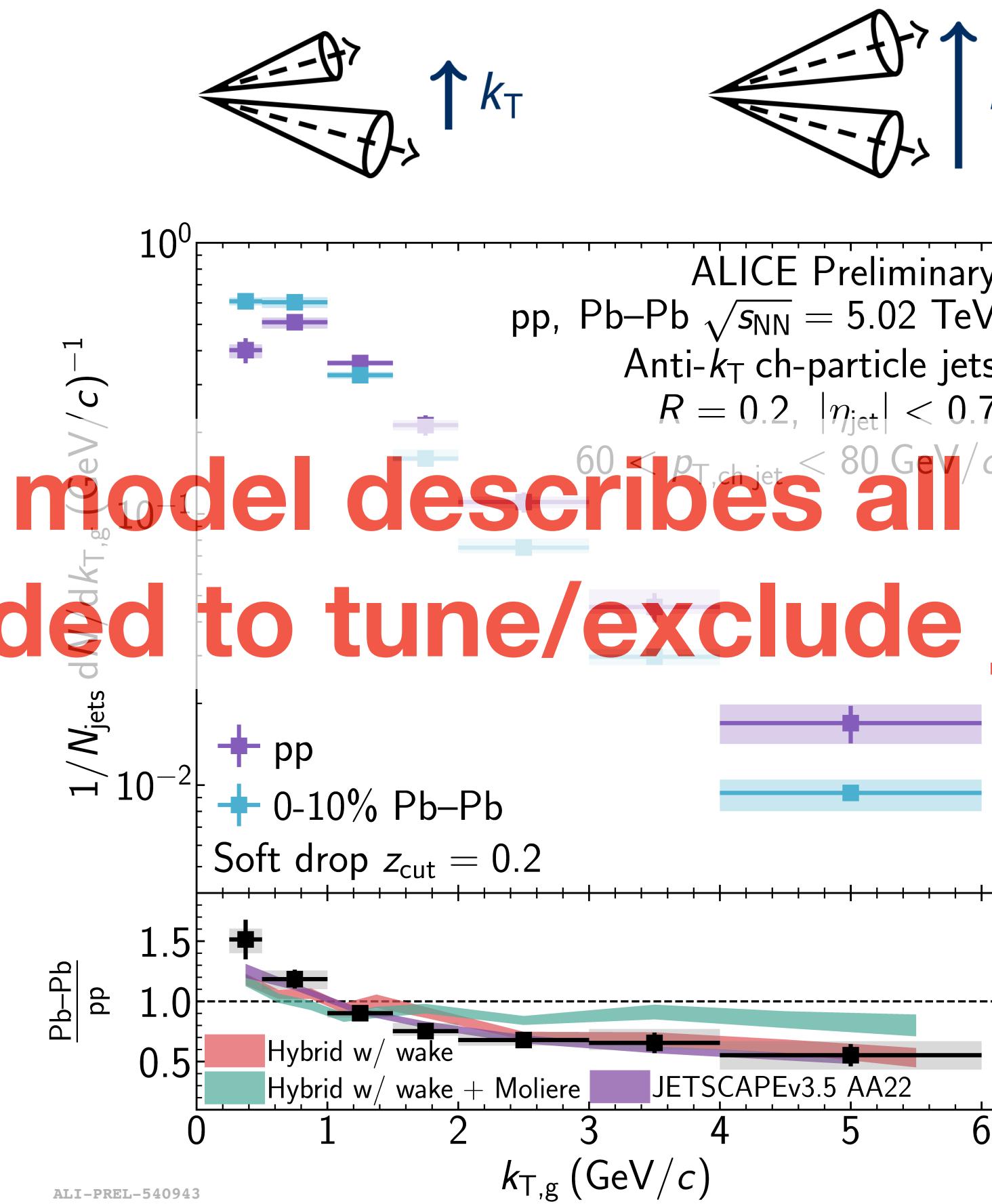
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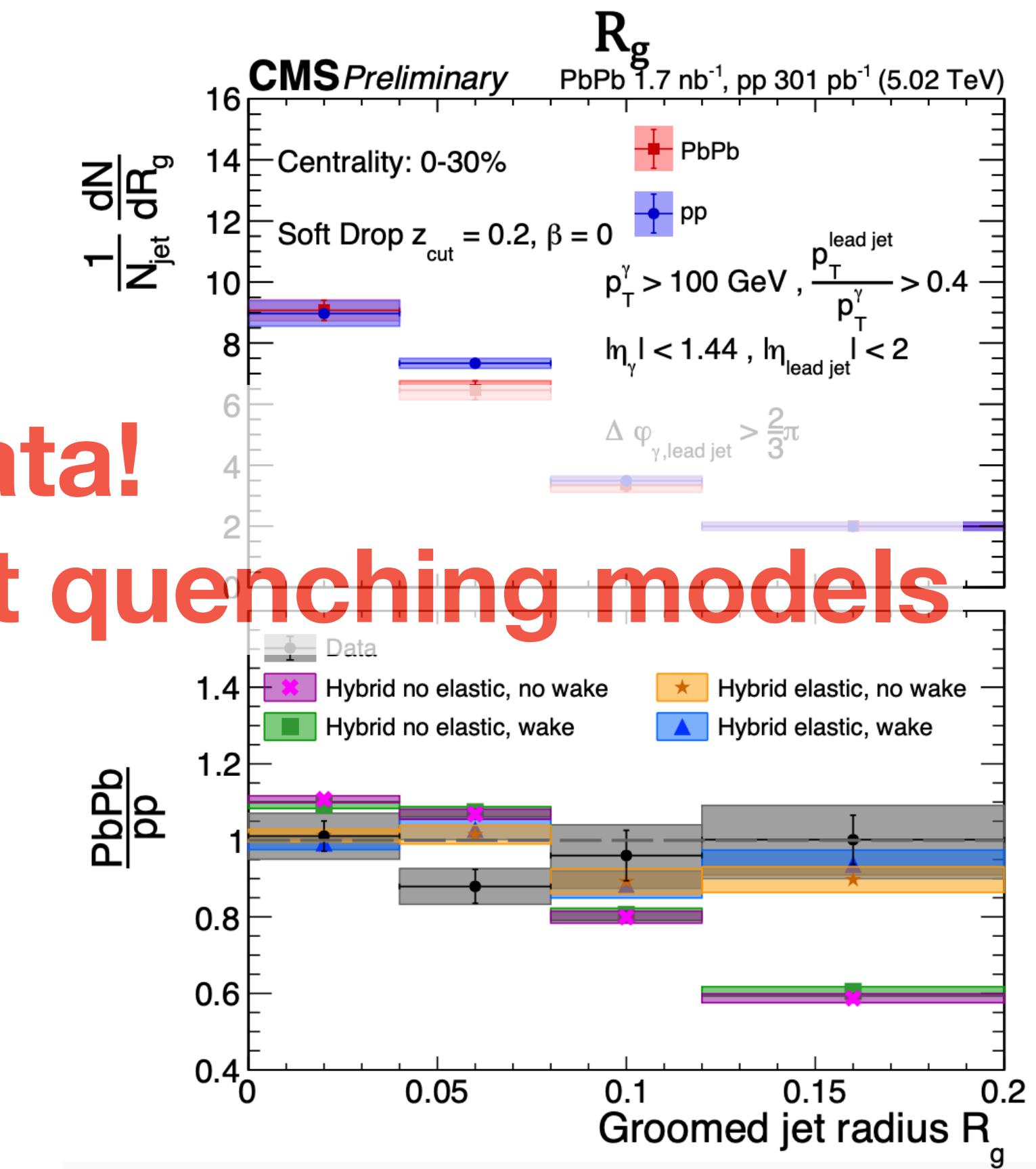
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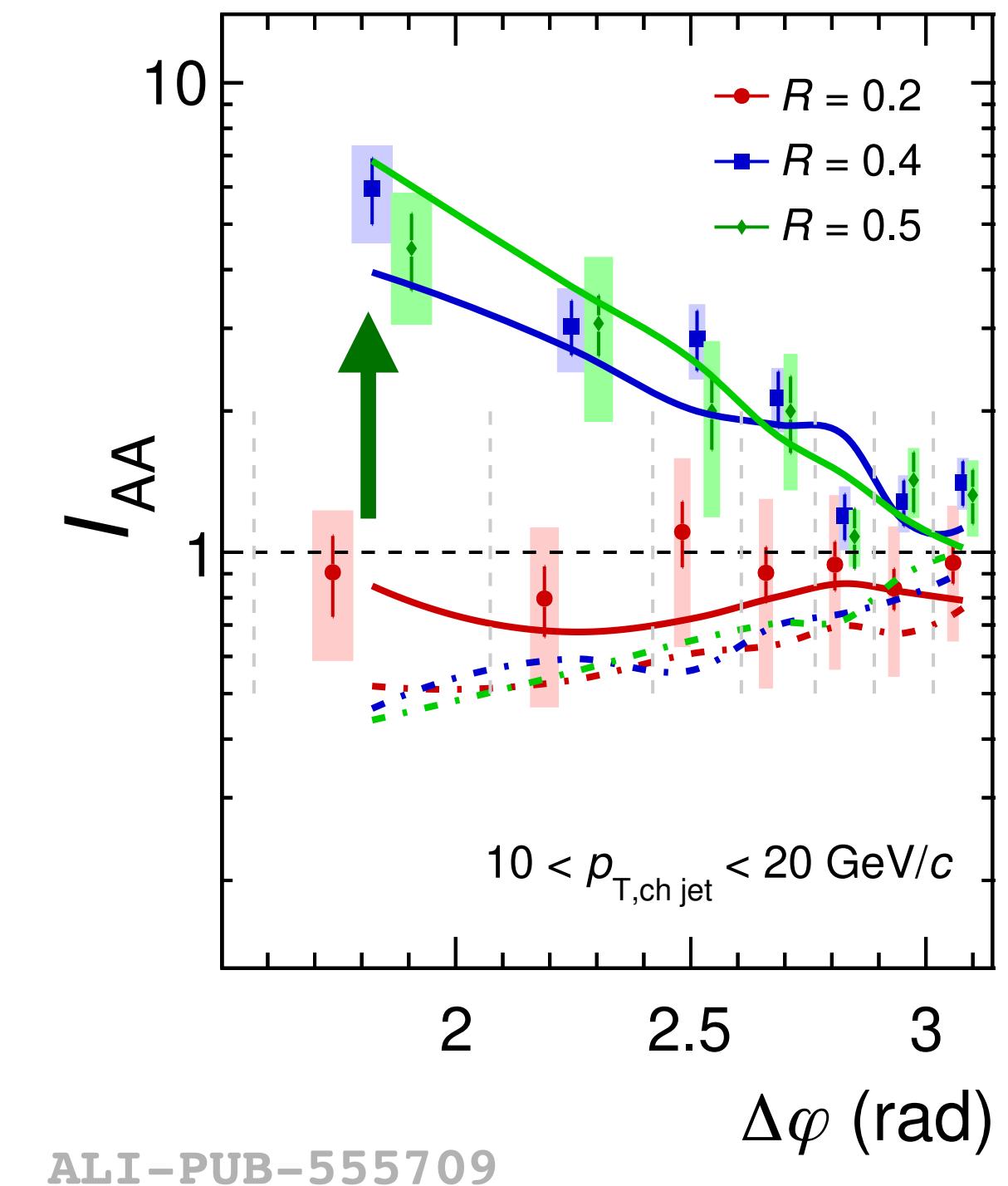
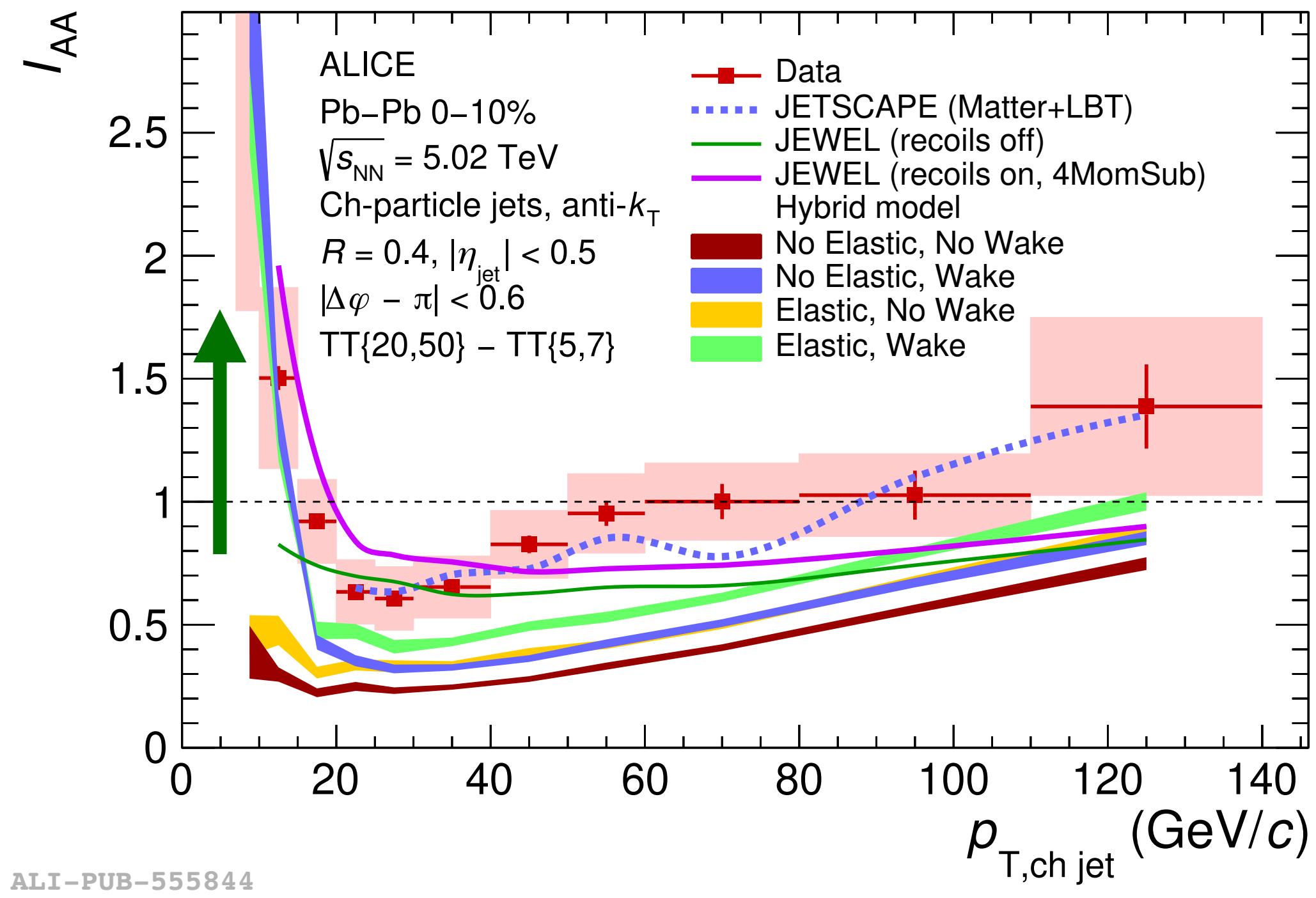
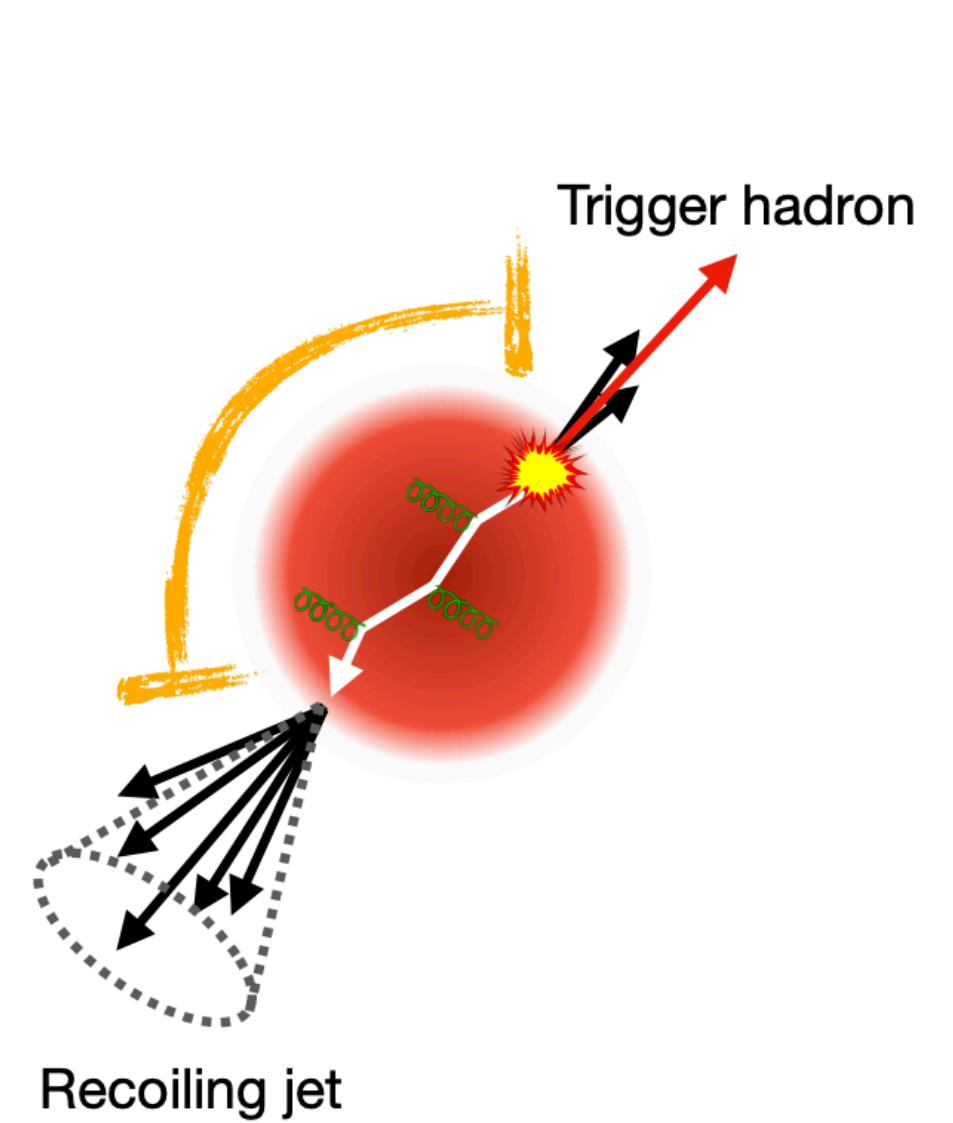
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Summary and outlook



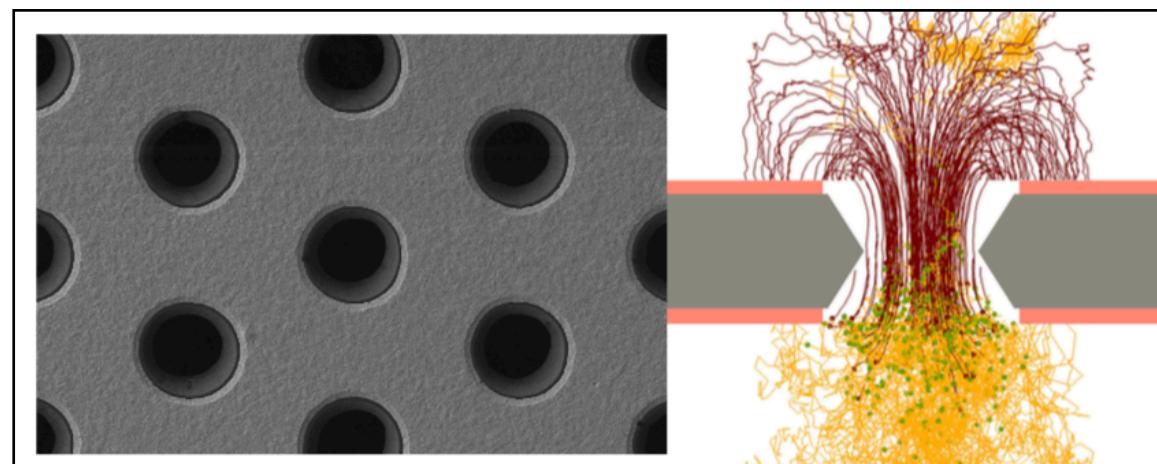
- **First observation of significant low- $p_{T,\text{jet}}$ jet yield and large-angle enhancement in Pb-Pb collisions with ALICE!**
- Medium response or medium-induced soft radiation favoured as cause for both measured effects
- Looking forward to further studies with Run 3 data with ALICE after significant upgrade programme

[arXiv:2308.16128](https://arxiv.org/abs/2308.16128)

[arXiv:2308.16131](https://arxiv.org/abs/2308.16131)

ALICE in Run 3-4

Replace TPC wire chambers with **gas electron multiplier (GEM) readout**

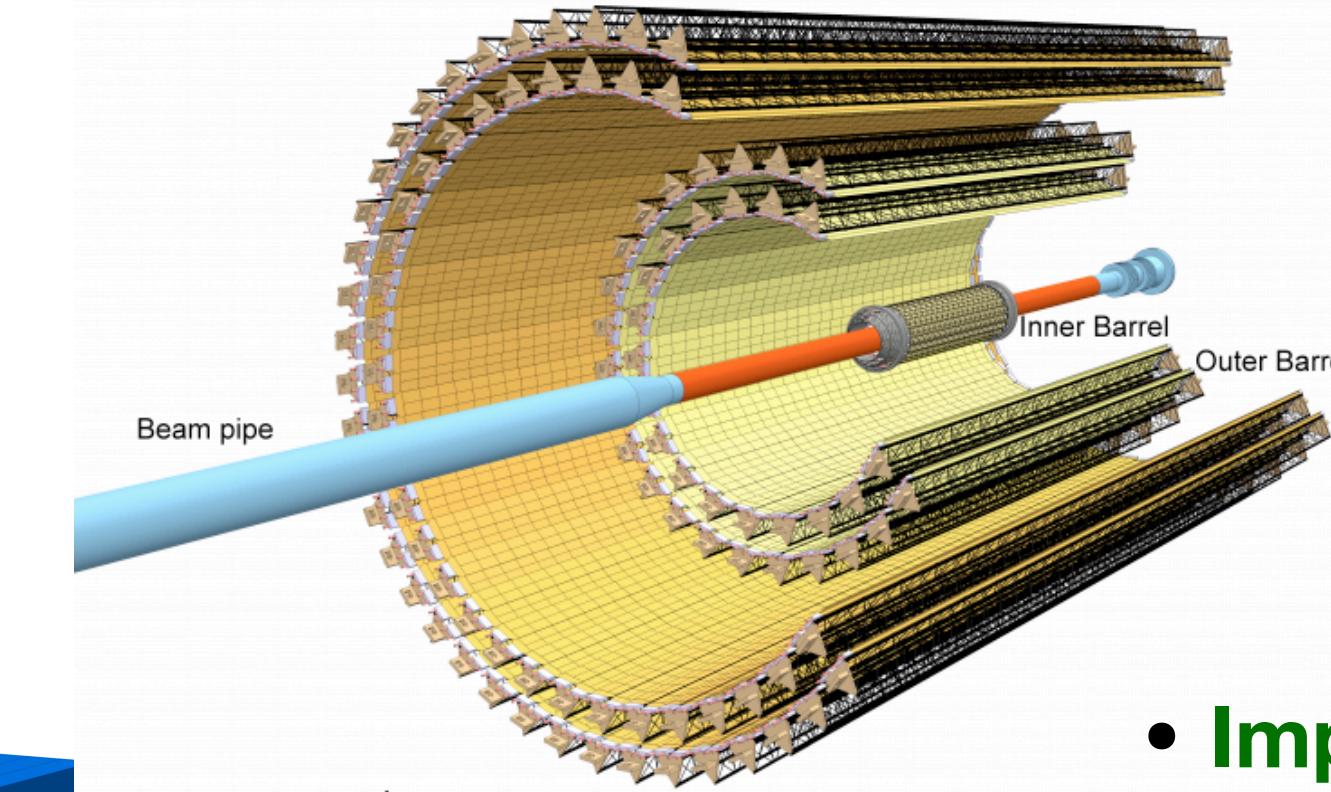


New **forward interaction trigger (FIT)**

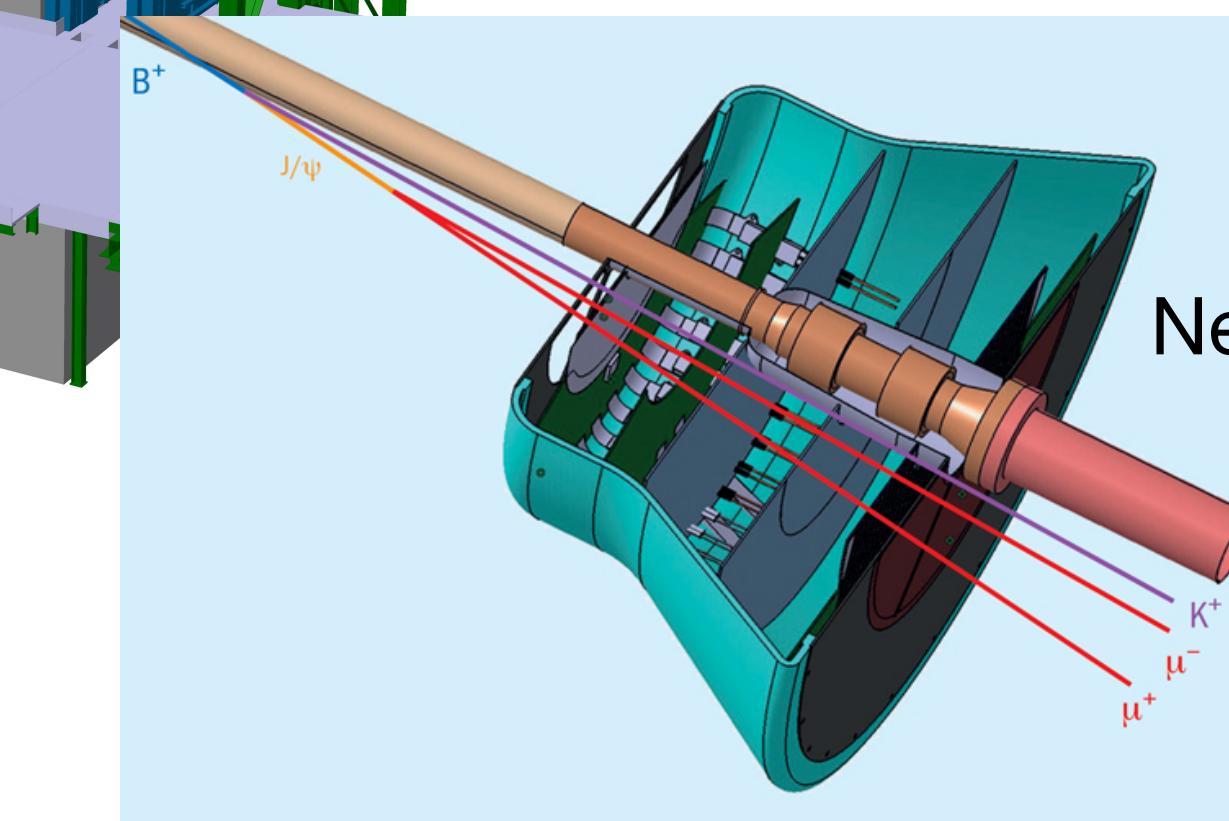
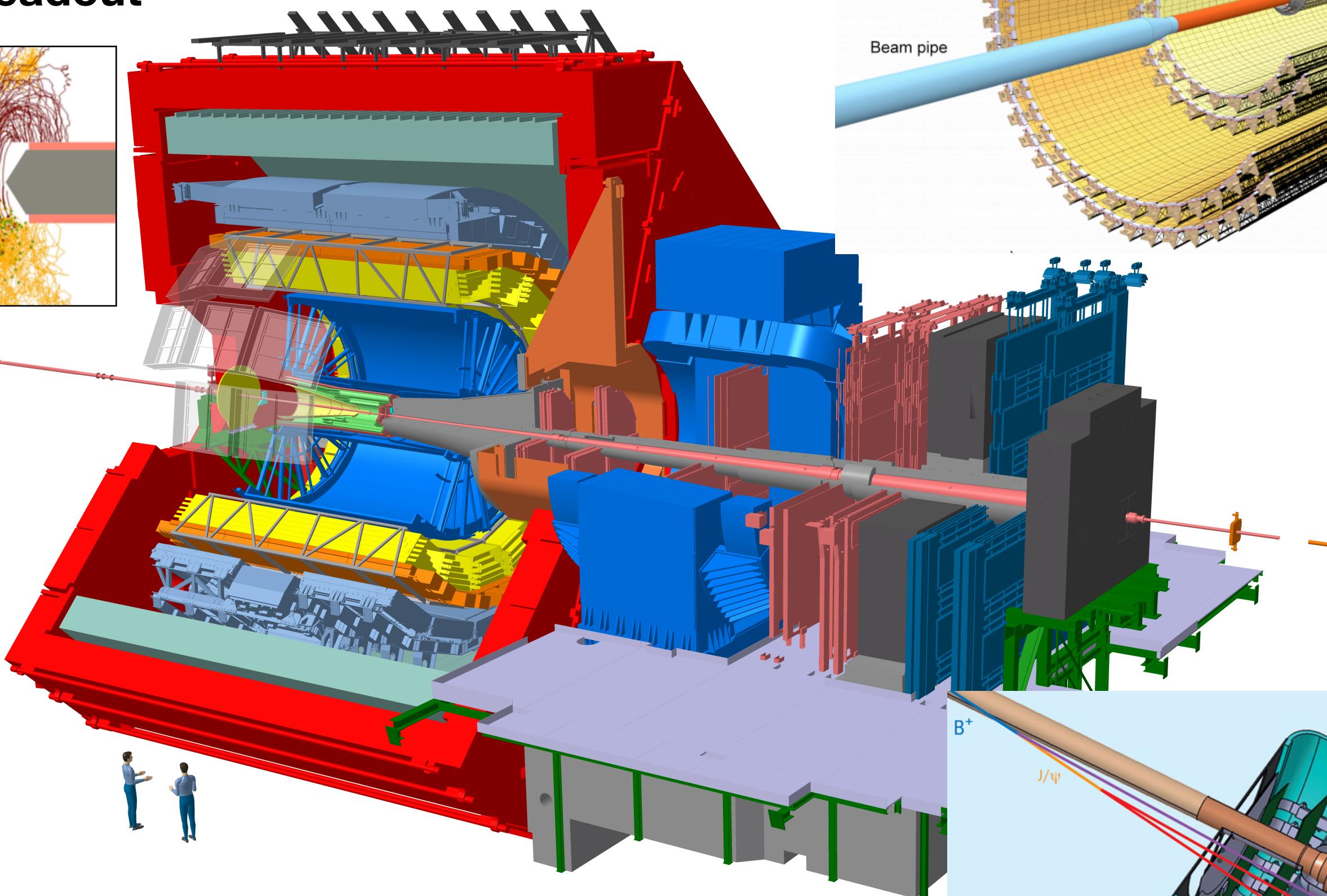


- + New beam pipe
- + New readout architecture
- + Major computing system upgrade (O2 project)

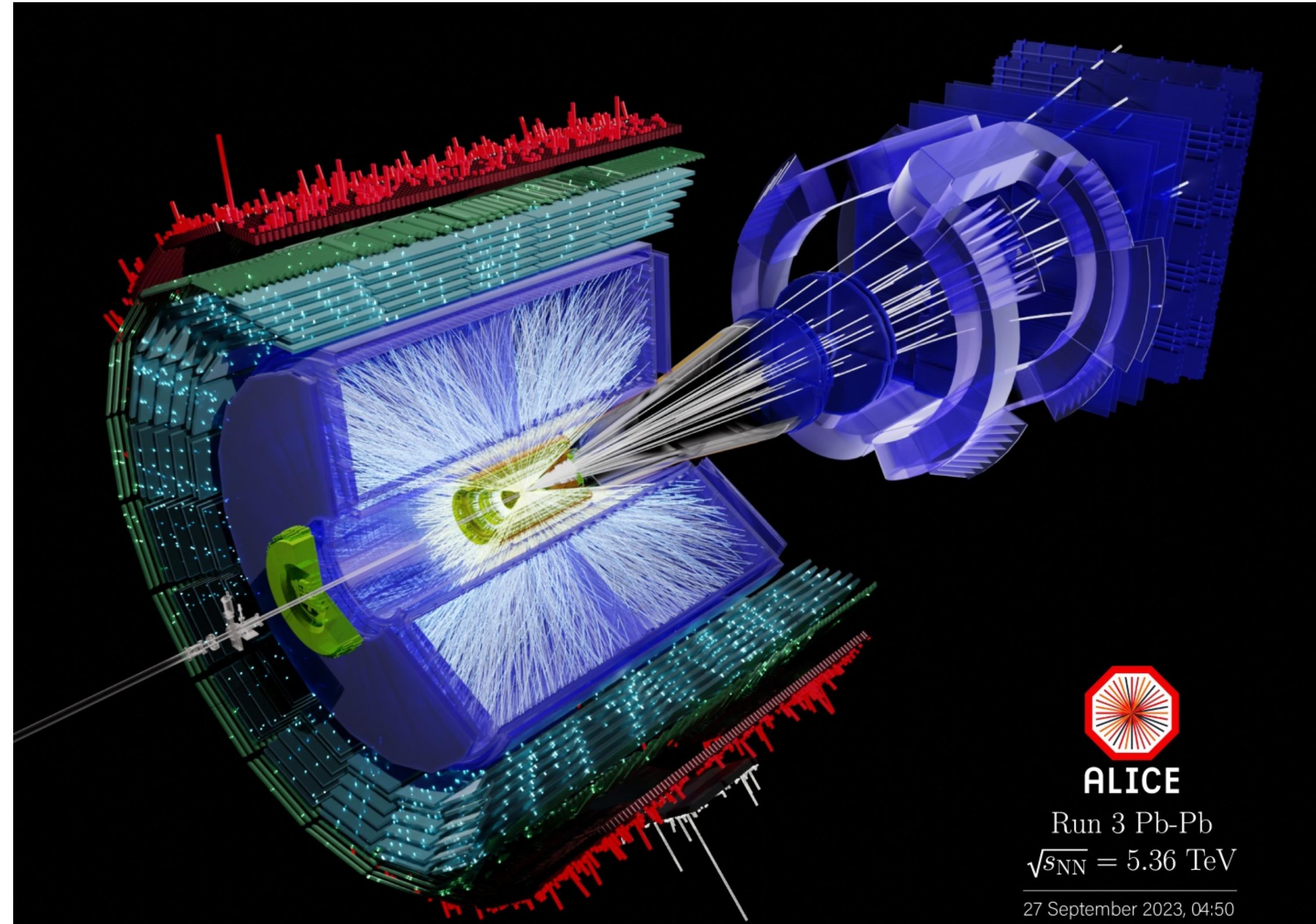
New Inner Tracking System



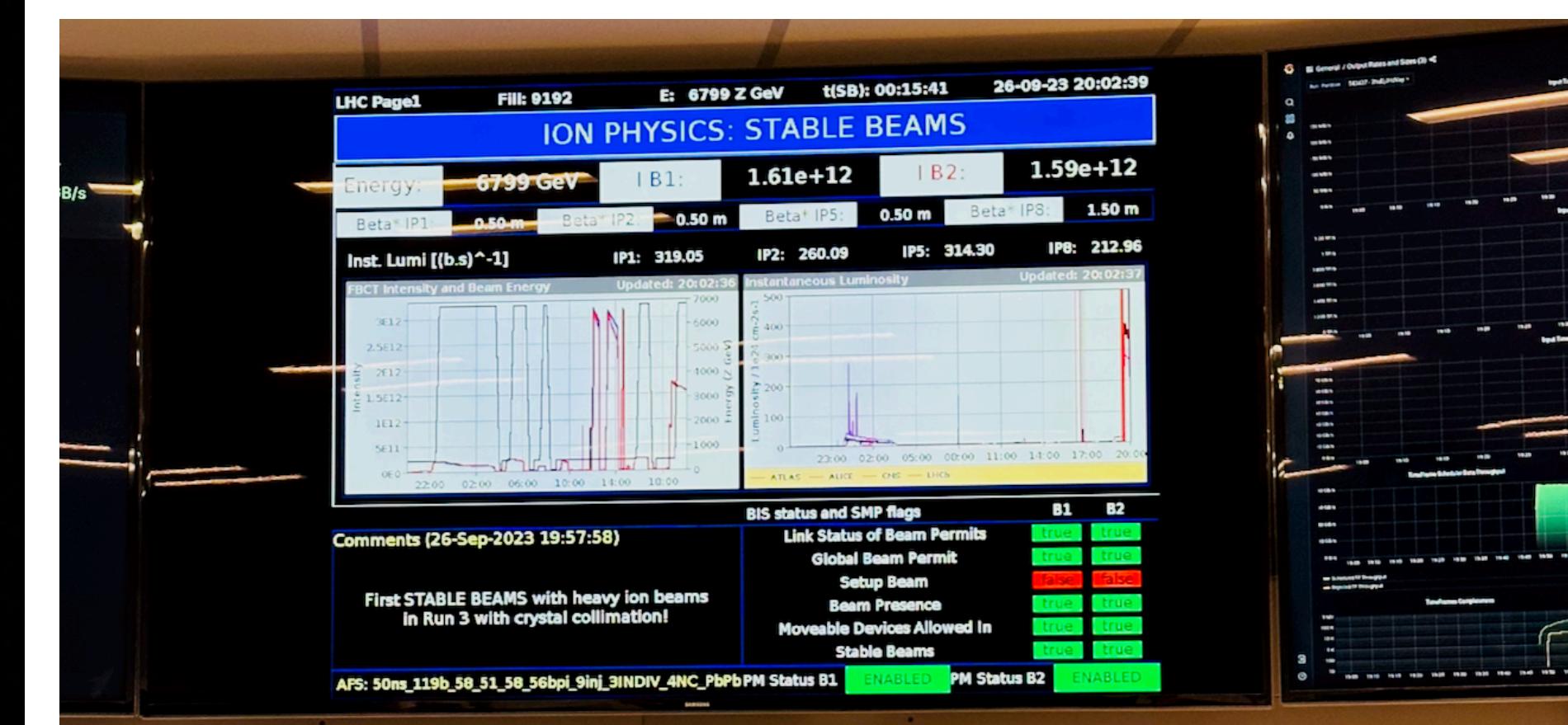
- **Improving tracking efficiency and resolution** at low p_T
- **Preserving particle identification** capabilities
- **Improving readout capabilities**
—> trigger-less operation



New Muon Forward Tracker (MFT)



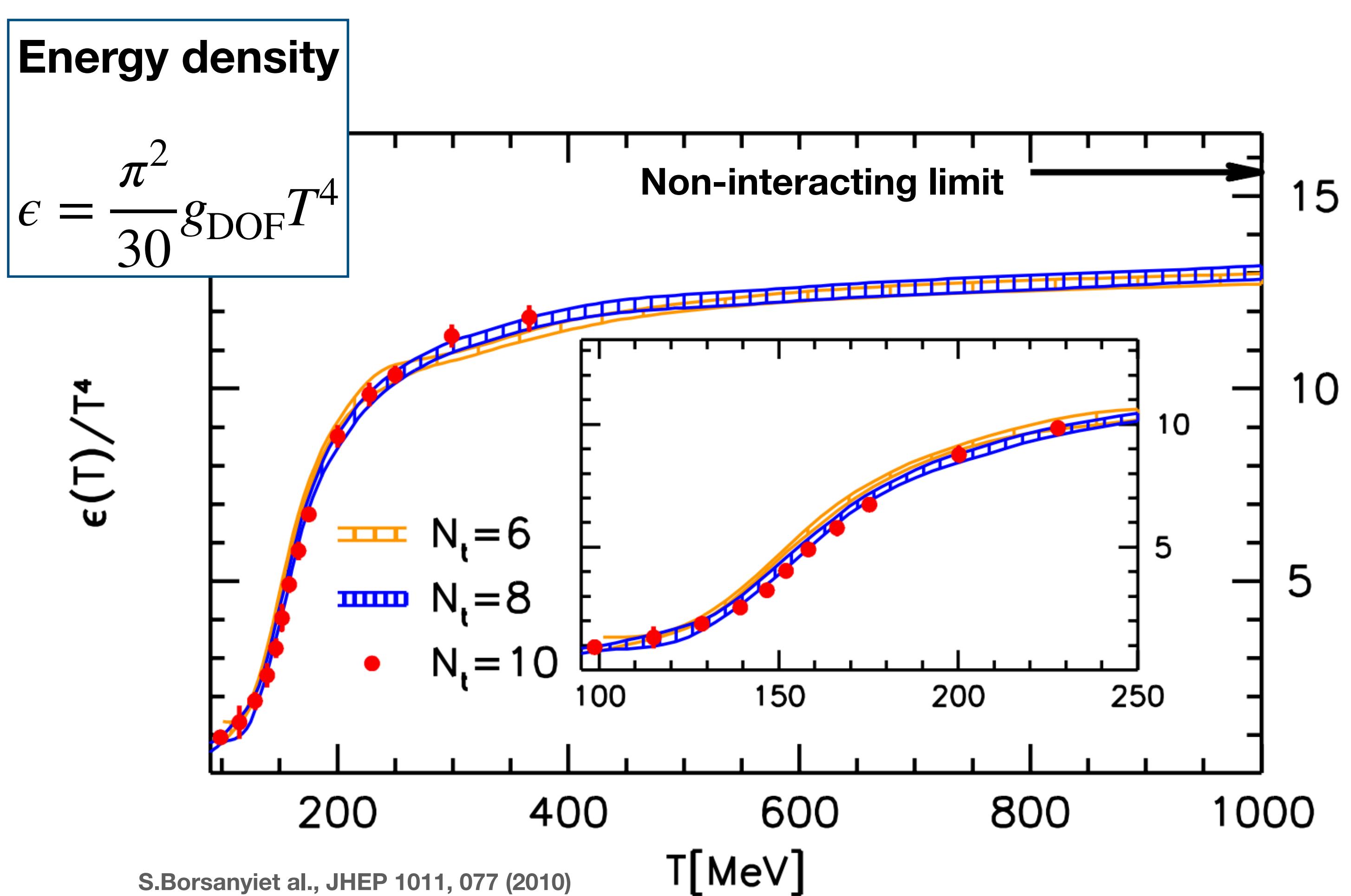
Highest-energy Pb-Pb run of $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.36 \text{ TeV}$ in September/October 2023!
12 billion collisions collected - 40x more than all previous runs (2010-2018)



Backup

QCD equation of state

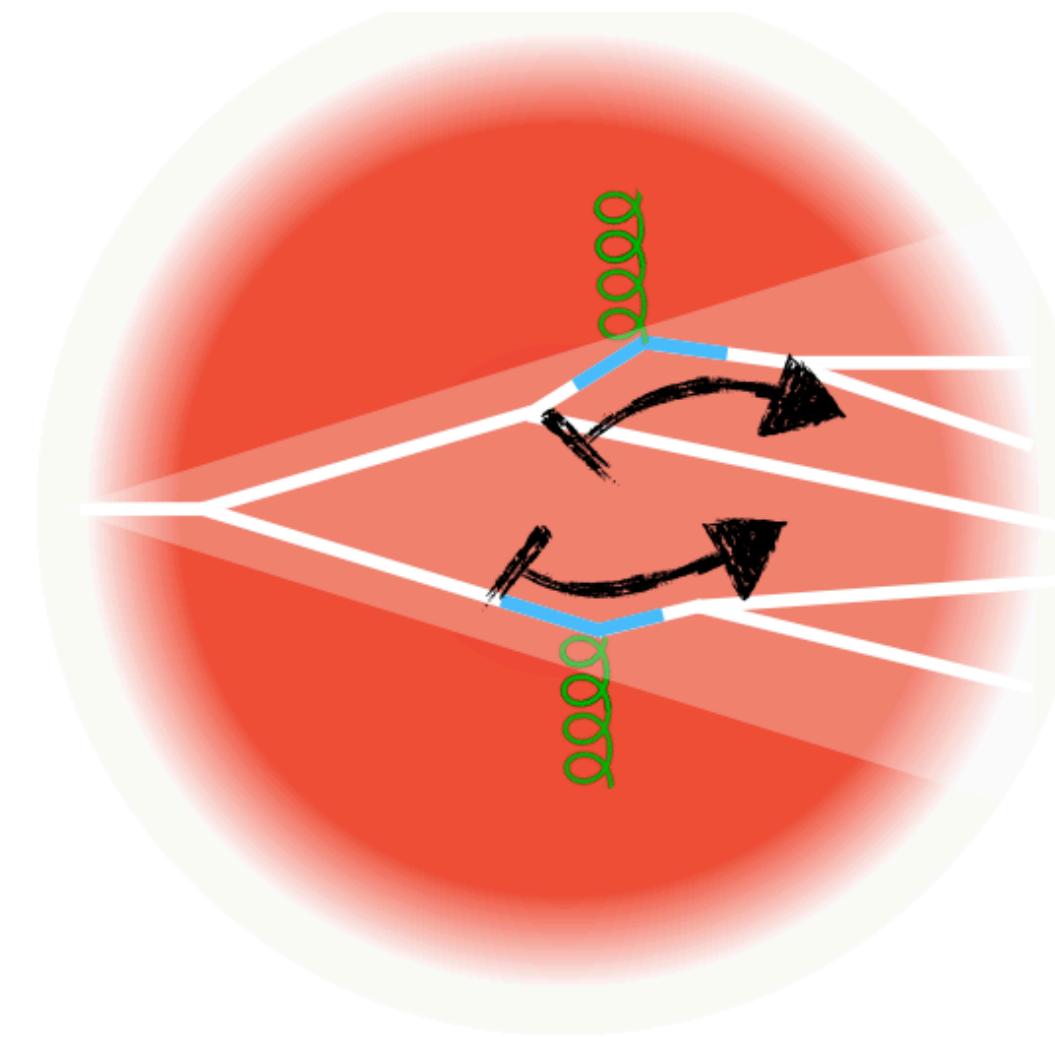
Lattice QCD used to study QCD equation of state and phase transitions



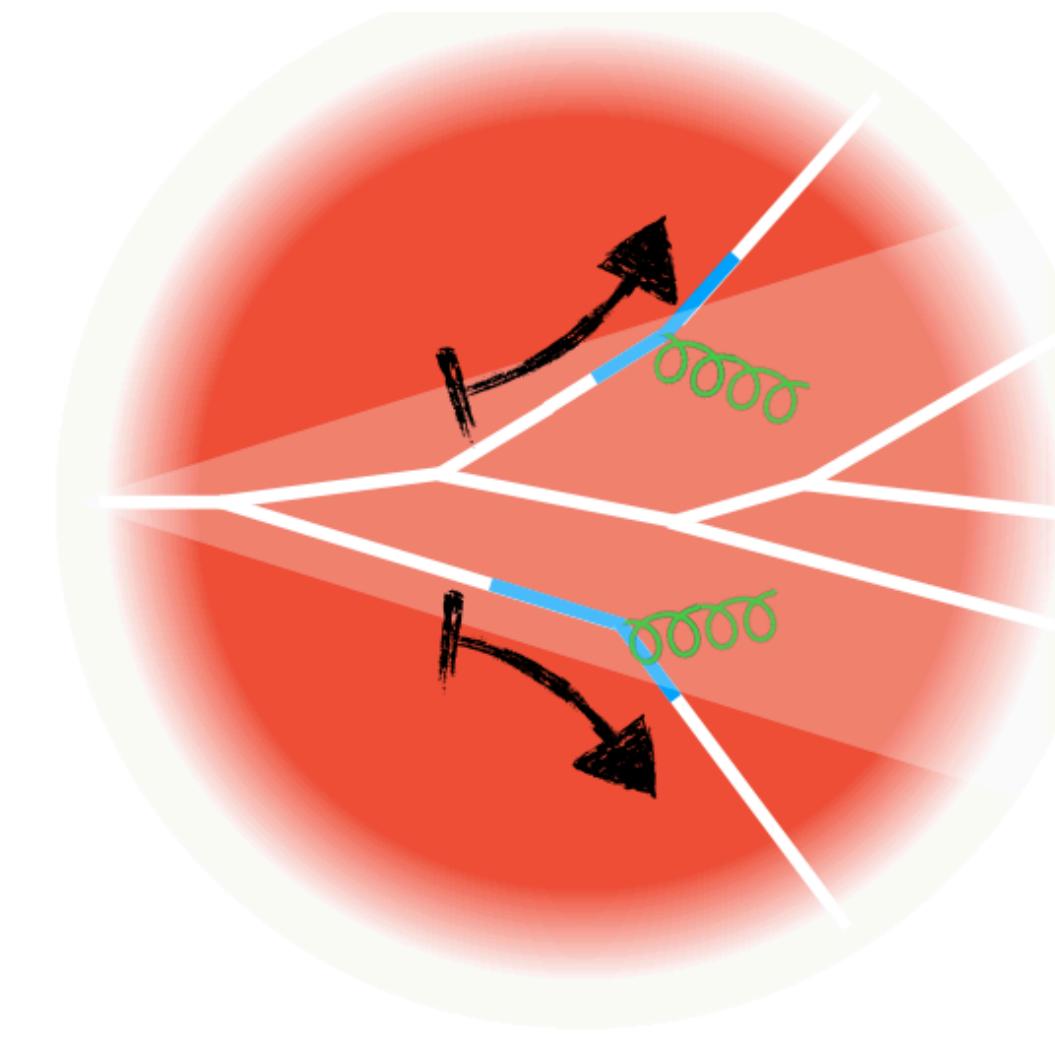
- e.g. looking at temperature of energy density:
 - Smooth crossover at ~ 155 MeV
 - Liberation of many new degrees of freedom
→ sharp increase in energy density
 - Gradually approaches non-interacting limit, but $\sim 20\%$ lower in experimentally accessible region

Experimentally observable consequences of jet quenching

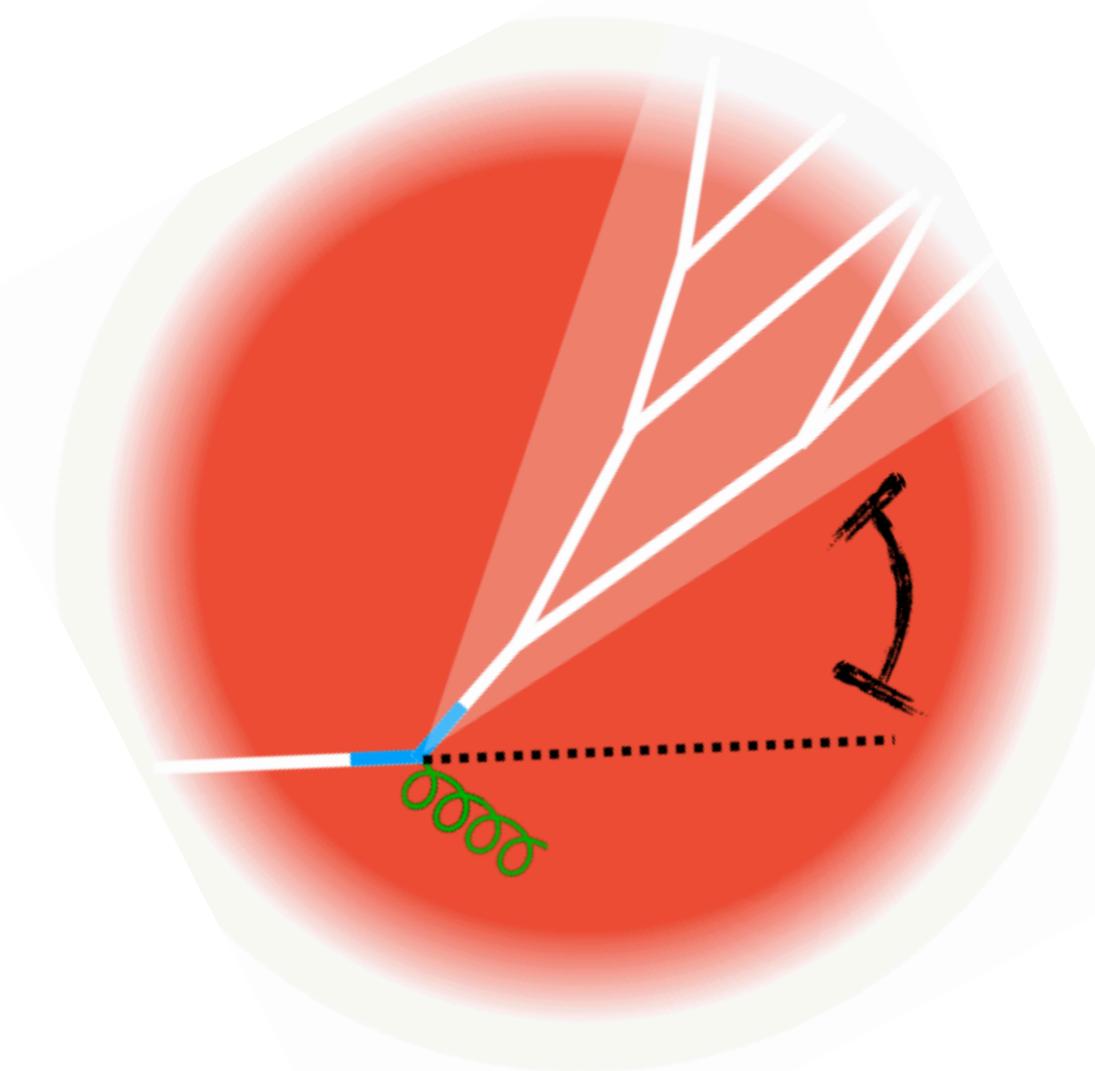
- Today - multi-pronged measurements of jet and medium modification



Substructure modification



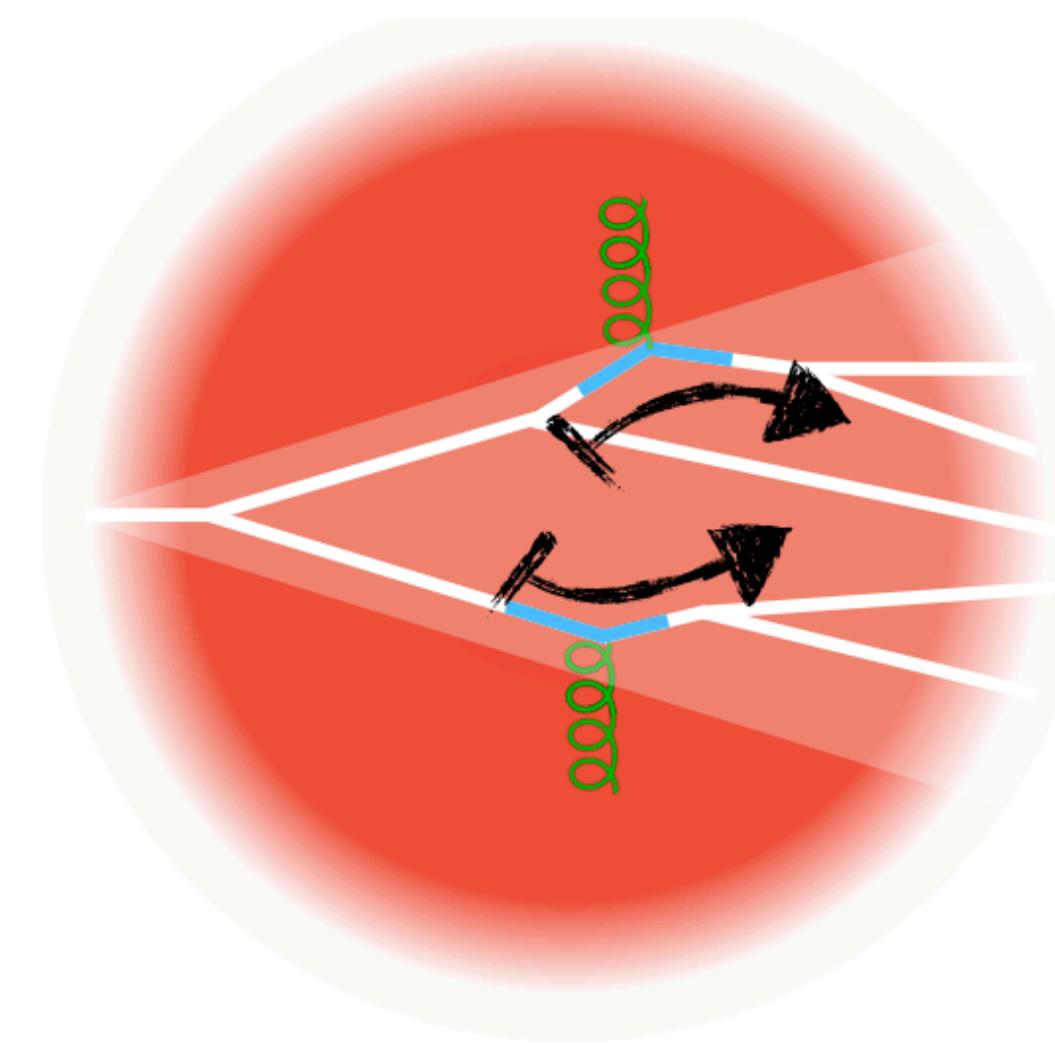
Energy redistribution



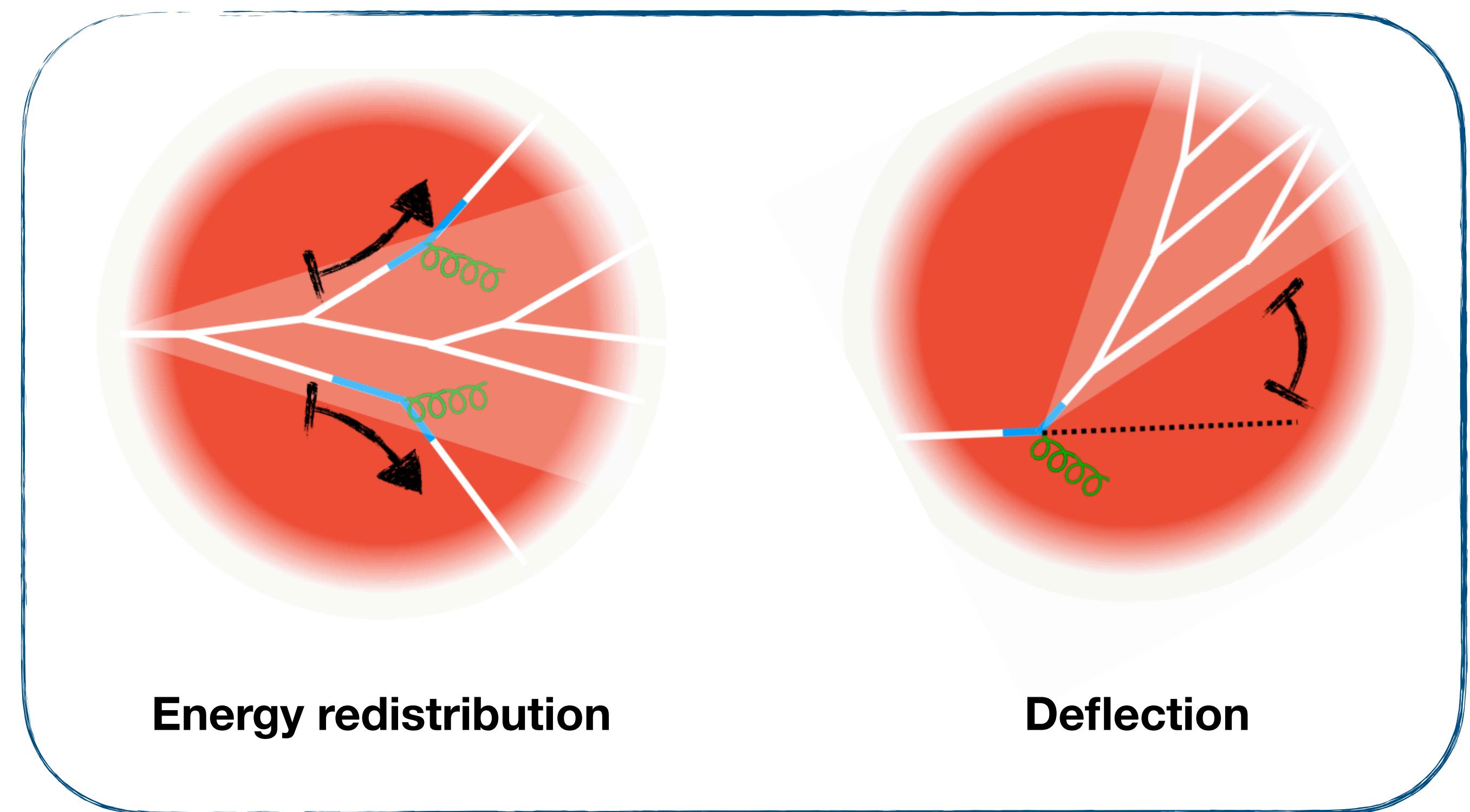
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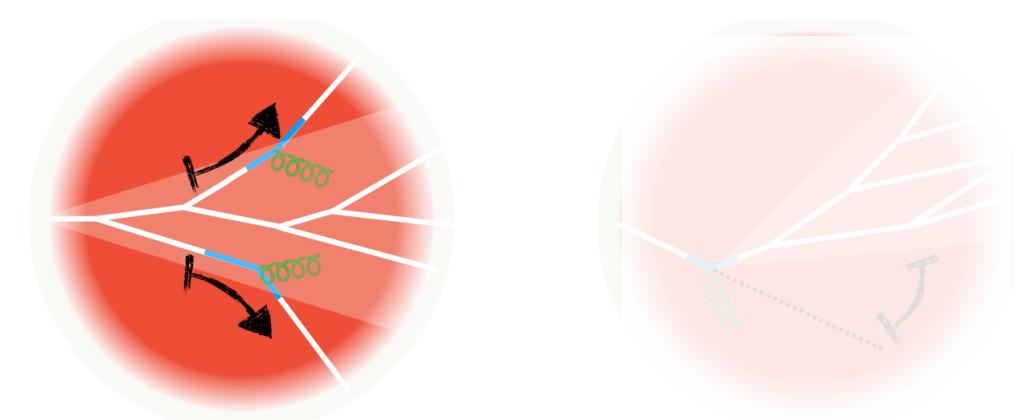
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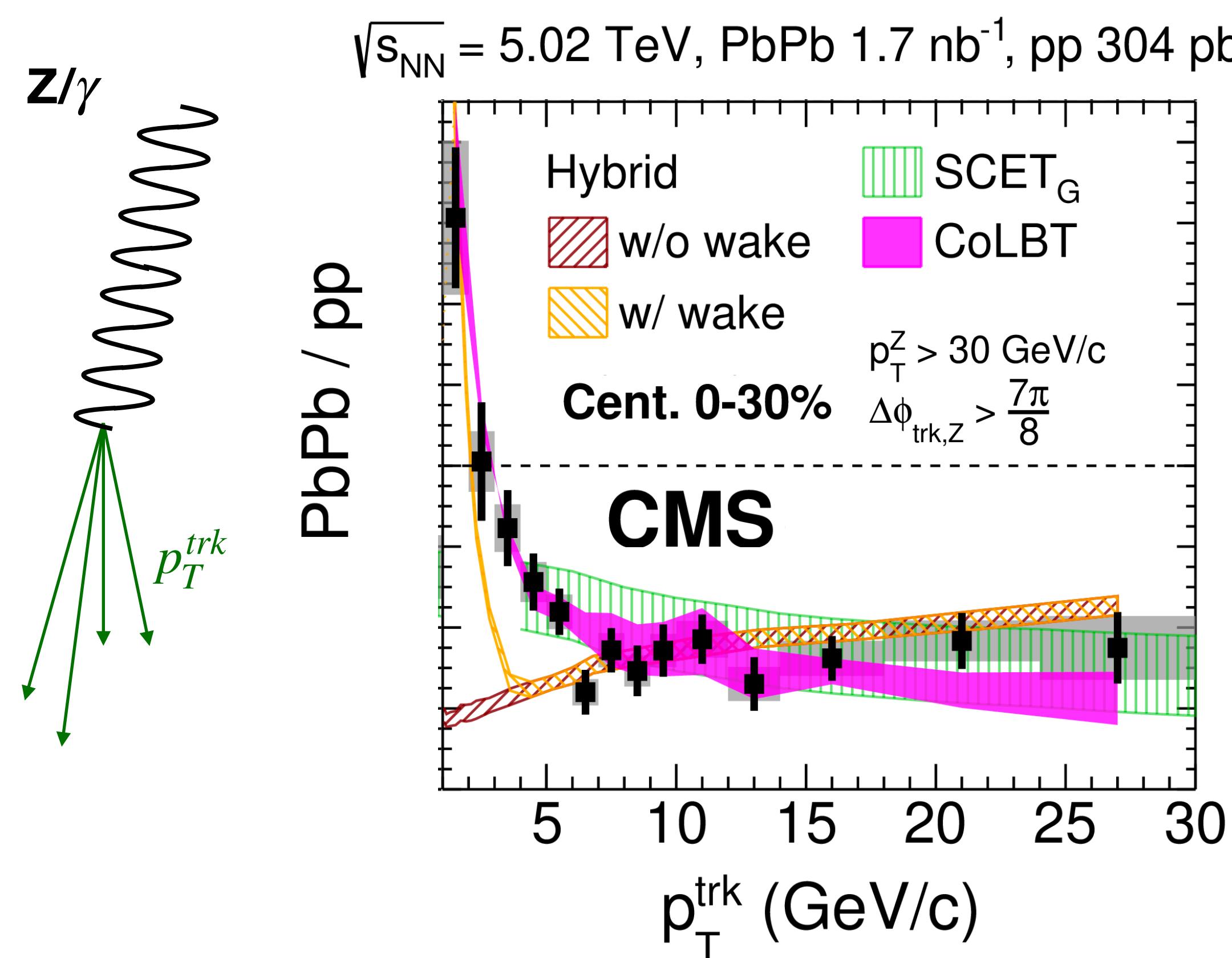
Energy redistribution

Deflection

Measured consequences of medium response

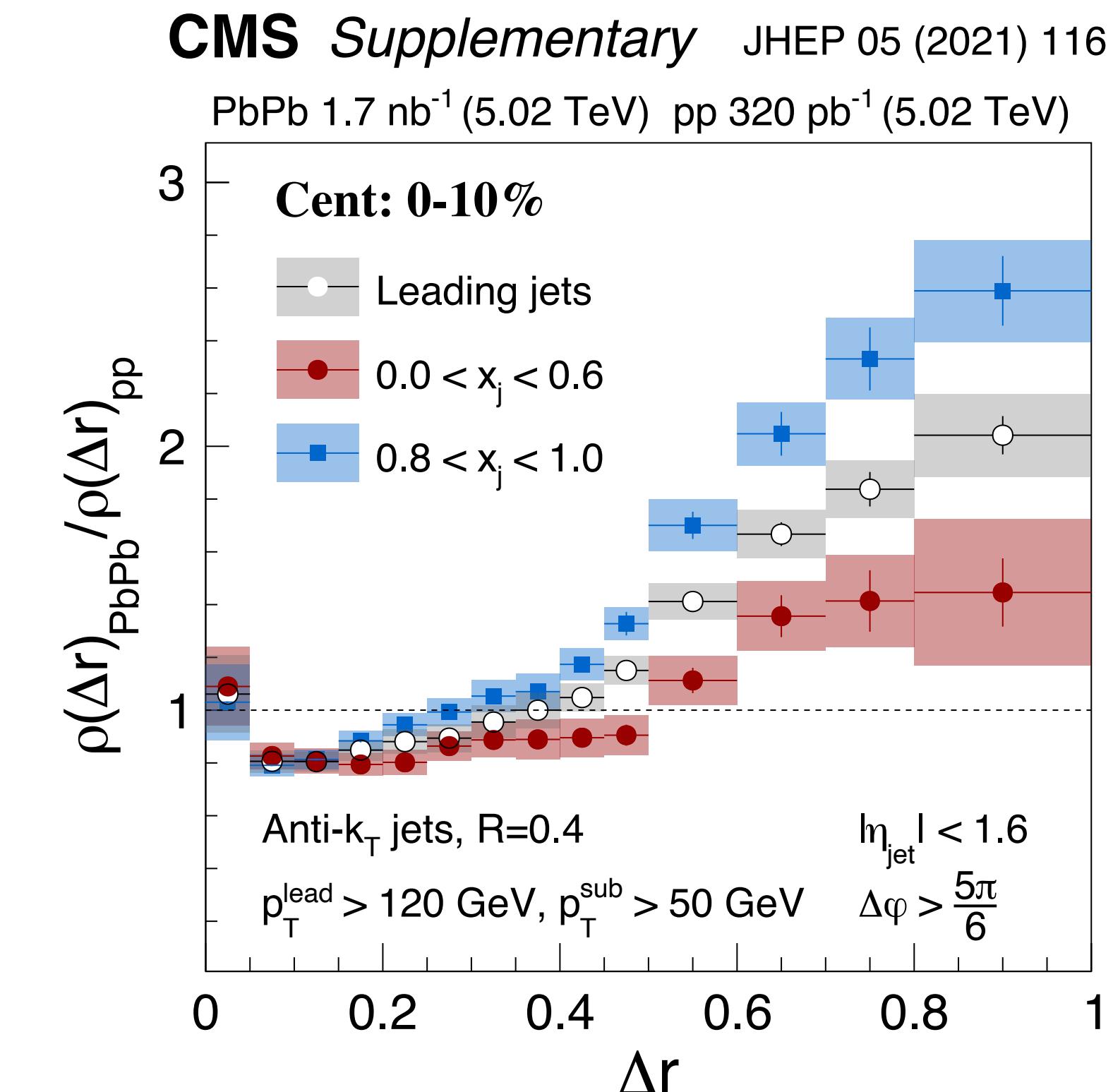


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See also ATLAS: Phys. Rev. Lett. 126, 072301 (2021)



hard particle suppression, soft particle excess
when recoiling from electroweak boson

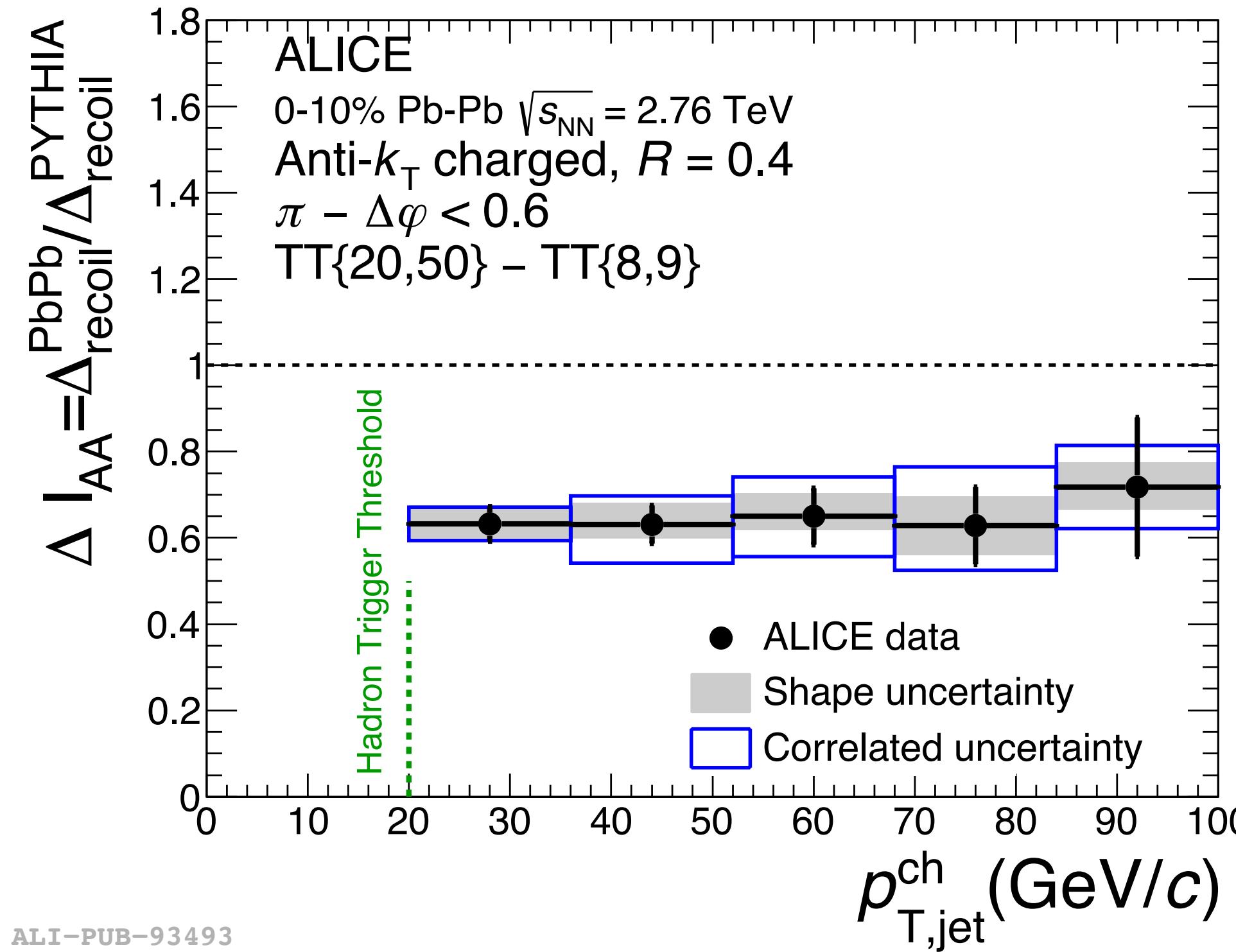
→ Track-level effects explained by wake effects: how about jets?



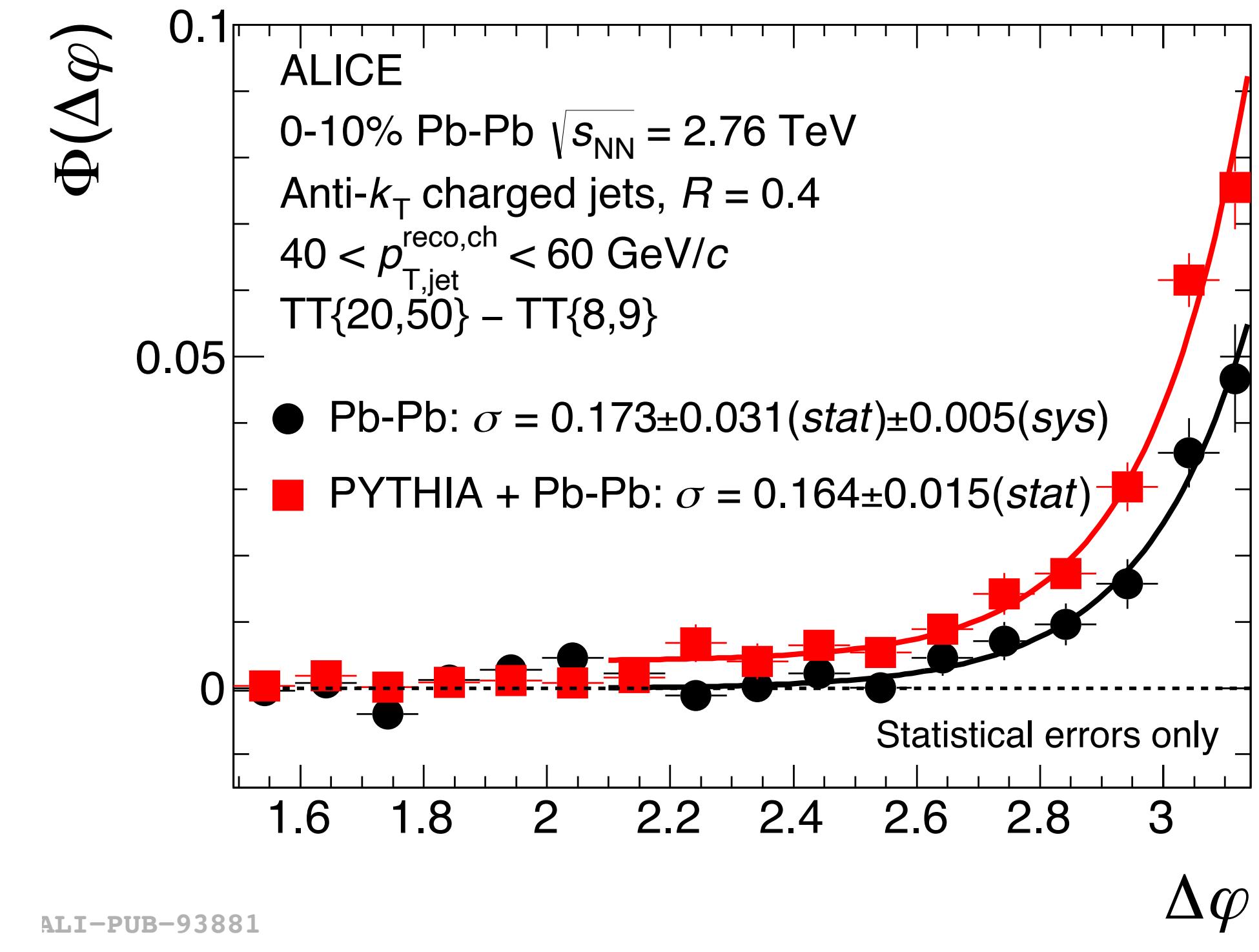
Soft particle excess surrounding a jet

Run 1 hadron+jet measurement

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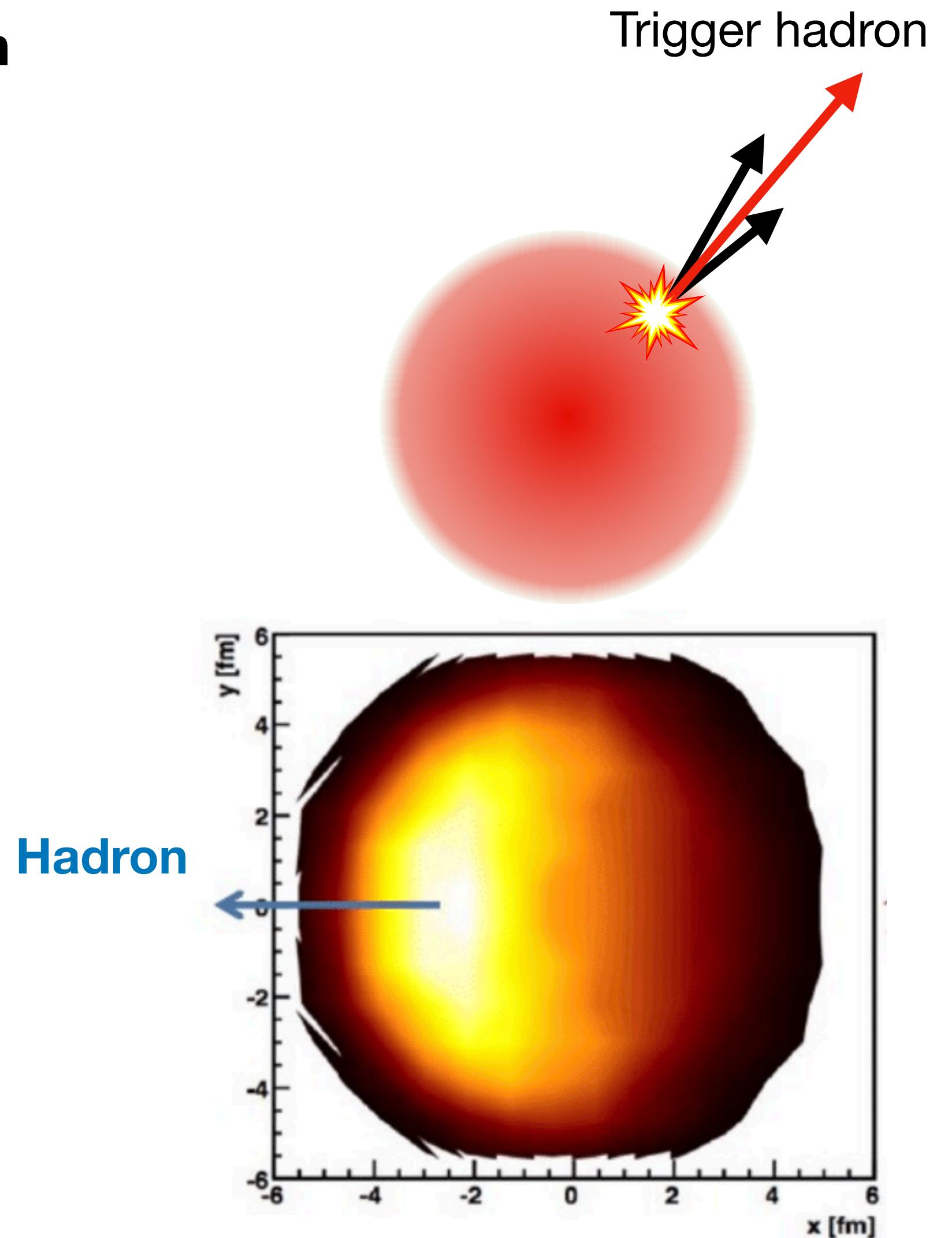
- Background-subtracted yield of jets recoiling from a high- p_T trigger hadron:
 - Suppression with respect to a pp (PYTHIA) reference
 - No medium-induced broadening within experimental uncertainties

Analysis procedure

1. Select events based on the presence of a high- p_T ‘trigger’ hadron

- Hadron distribution follows that of inclusive yield
→ event selection bias solely due to choice of trigger
- Hadron forms ‘clean’ trigger (e.g. no bkg correction necessary)
- Observed high- p_T hadrons have surface bias
→ interplay of jet spectrum, FF, energy loss...

and bias events towards having jets in final state

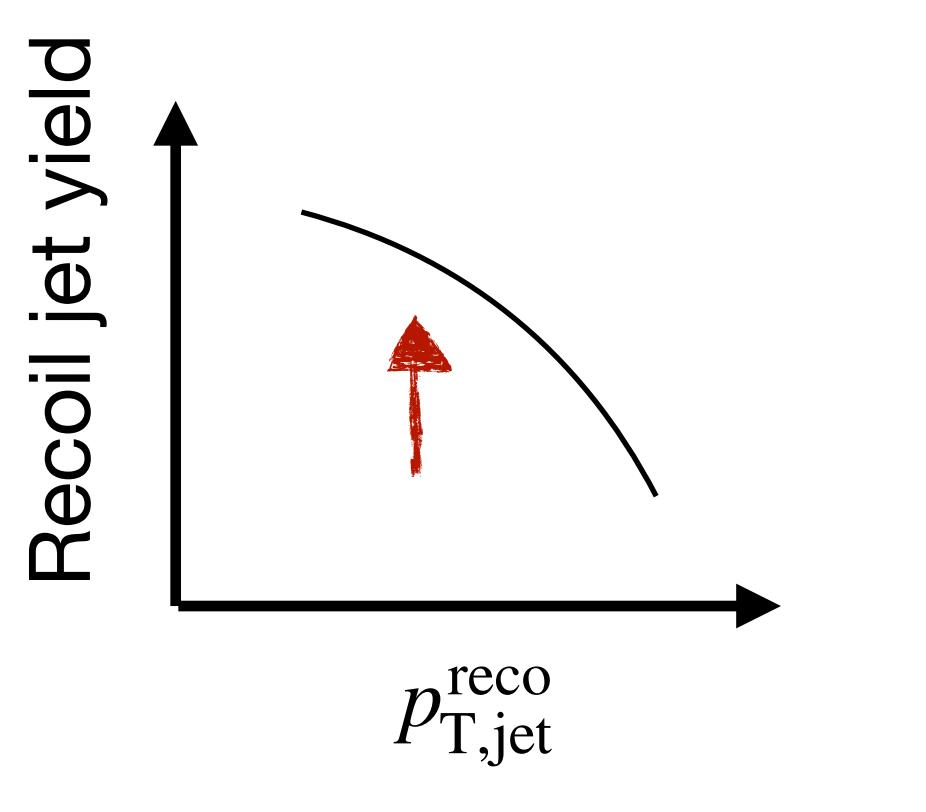


Adapted from T. Renk, Phys. Rev. C 88, 054902 (2013)

Δ_{recoil} ‘reference’ calibration

Calibration of reference distribution required for precise background subtraction:

- Yield scale (‘vertical’)
- $p_{T,\text{jet}}^{\text{reco}}$ scale (‘horizontal’)

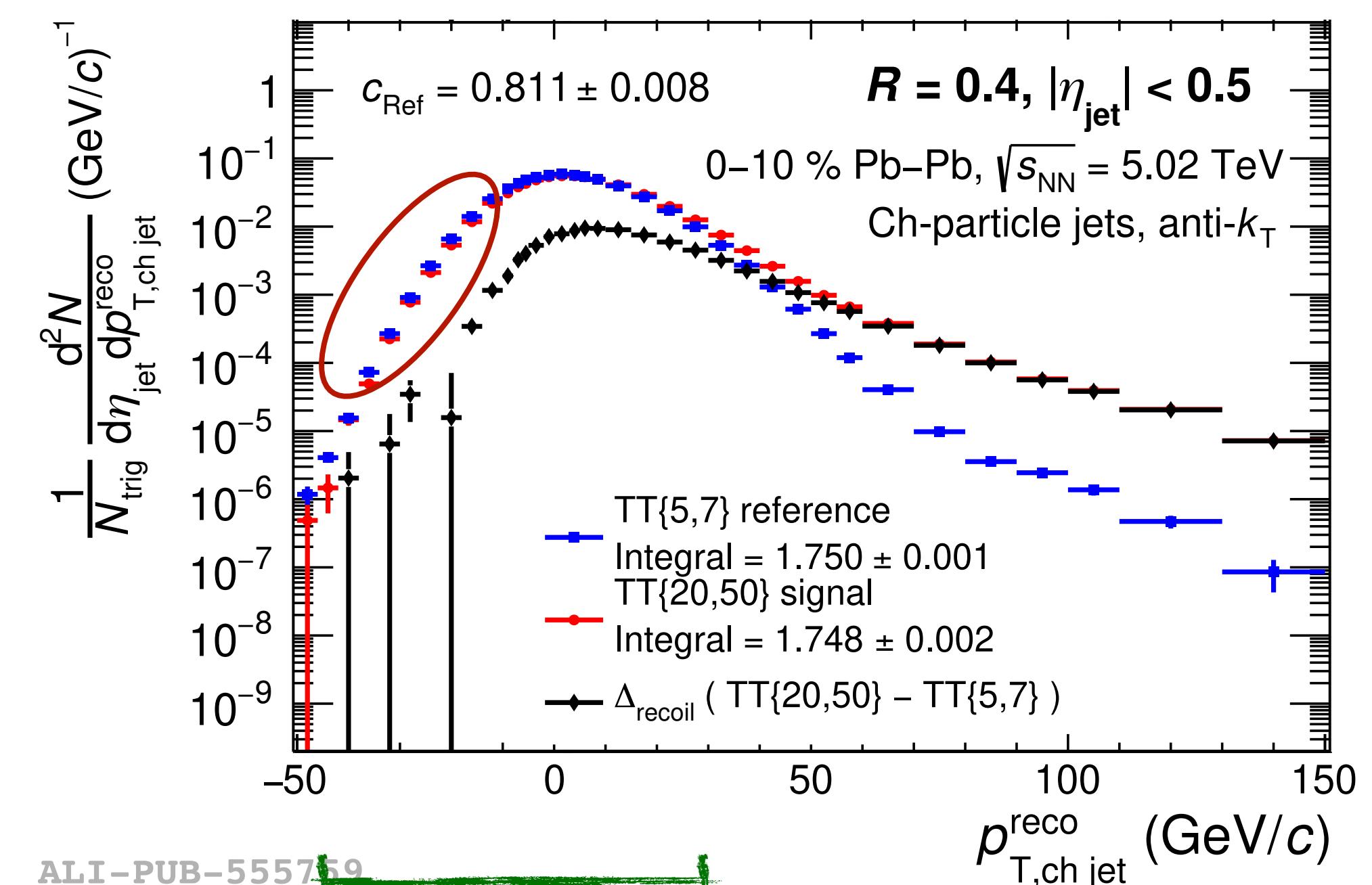


- Conservation of jet density - uncorrelated low- $p_{T,\text{jet}}$ region
‘misaligned’ due to difference in correlated jet yield at high $p_{T,\text{jet}}$
- factor ‘ c_{Ref} ’ applied to reference distribution to align signal and reference distributions in low- $p_{T,\text{jet}}$ region

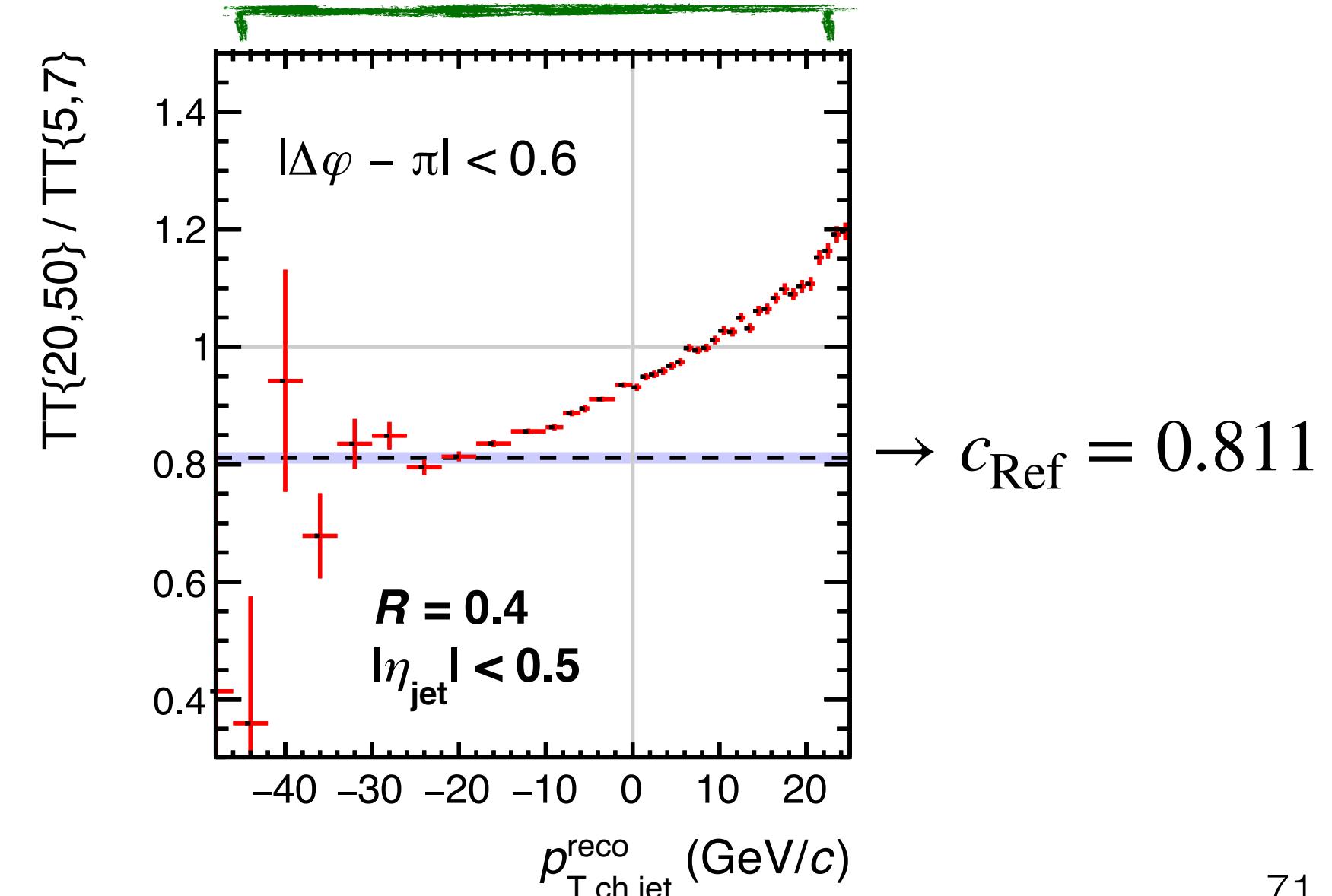
Established technique

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Jet energy redistribution and broadening with ALICE



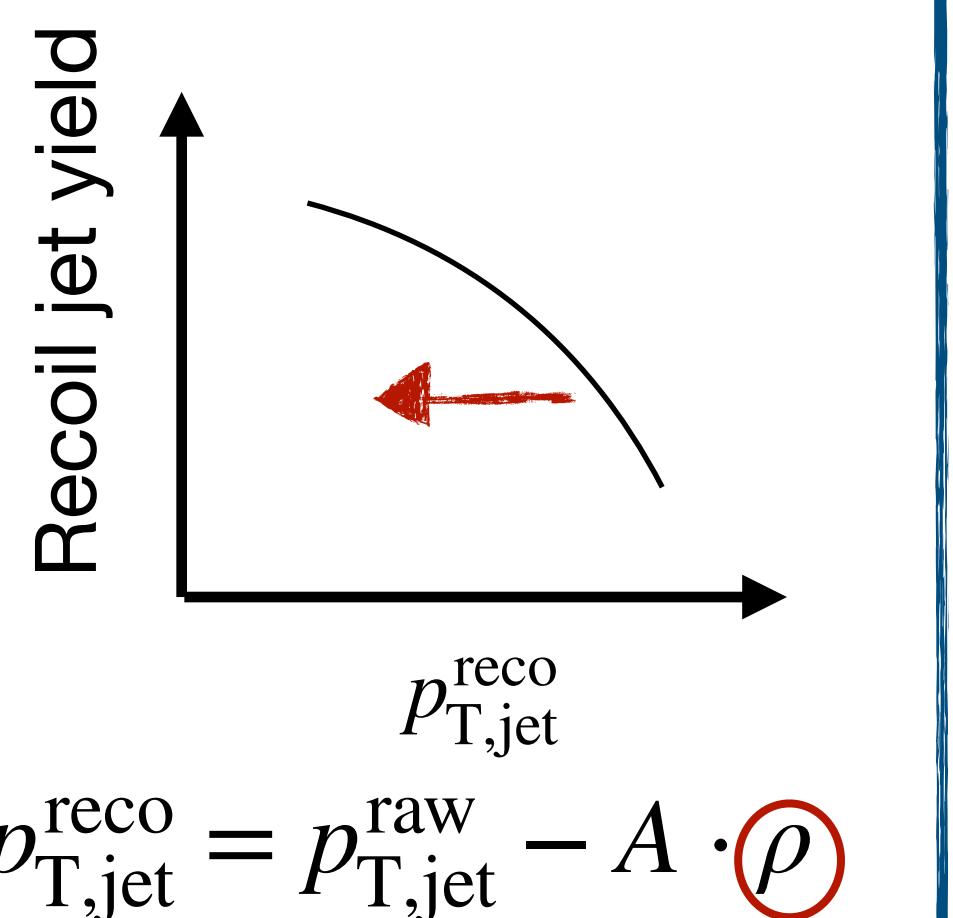
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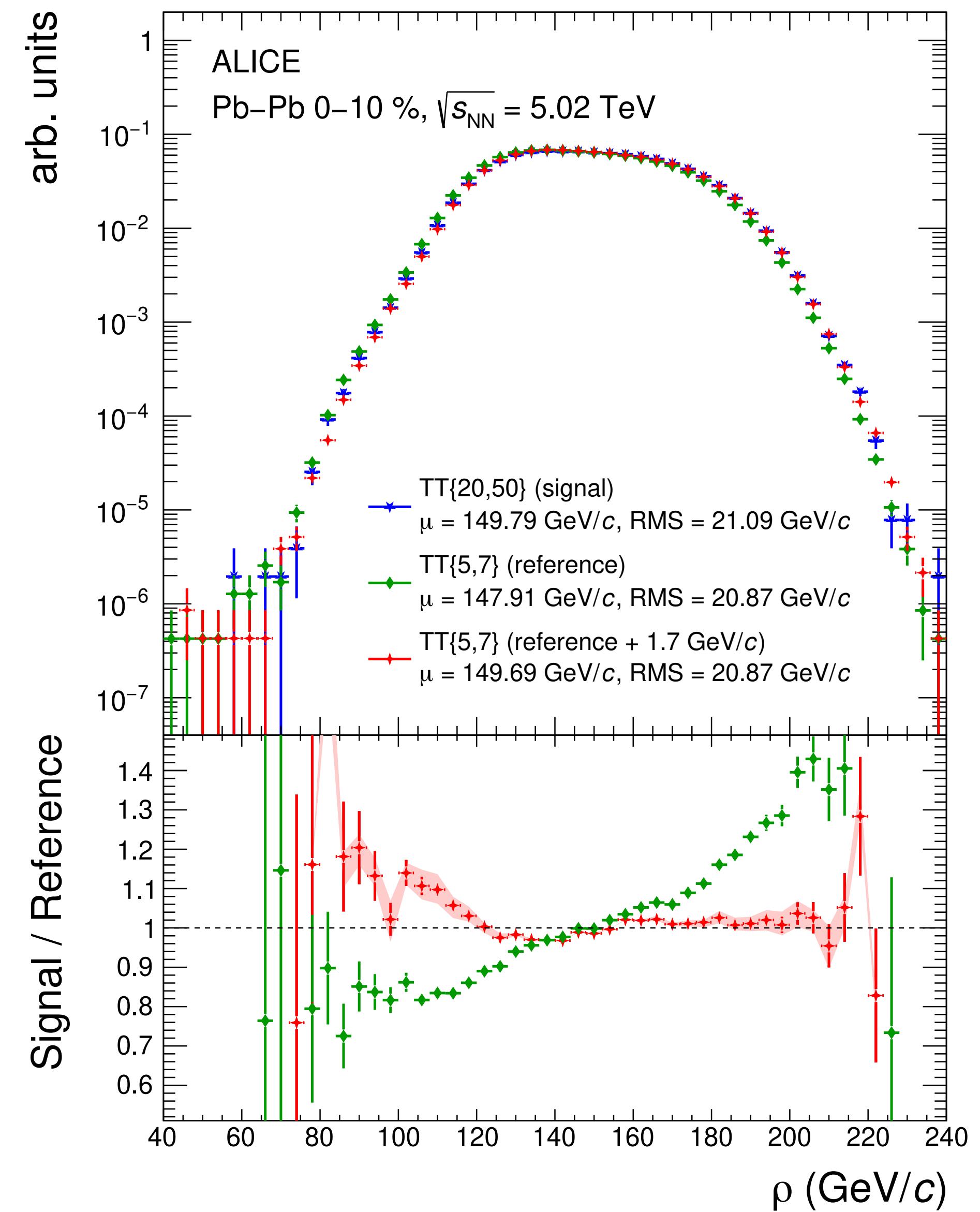
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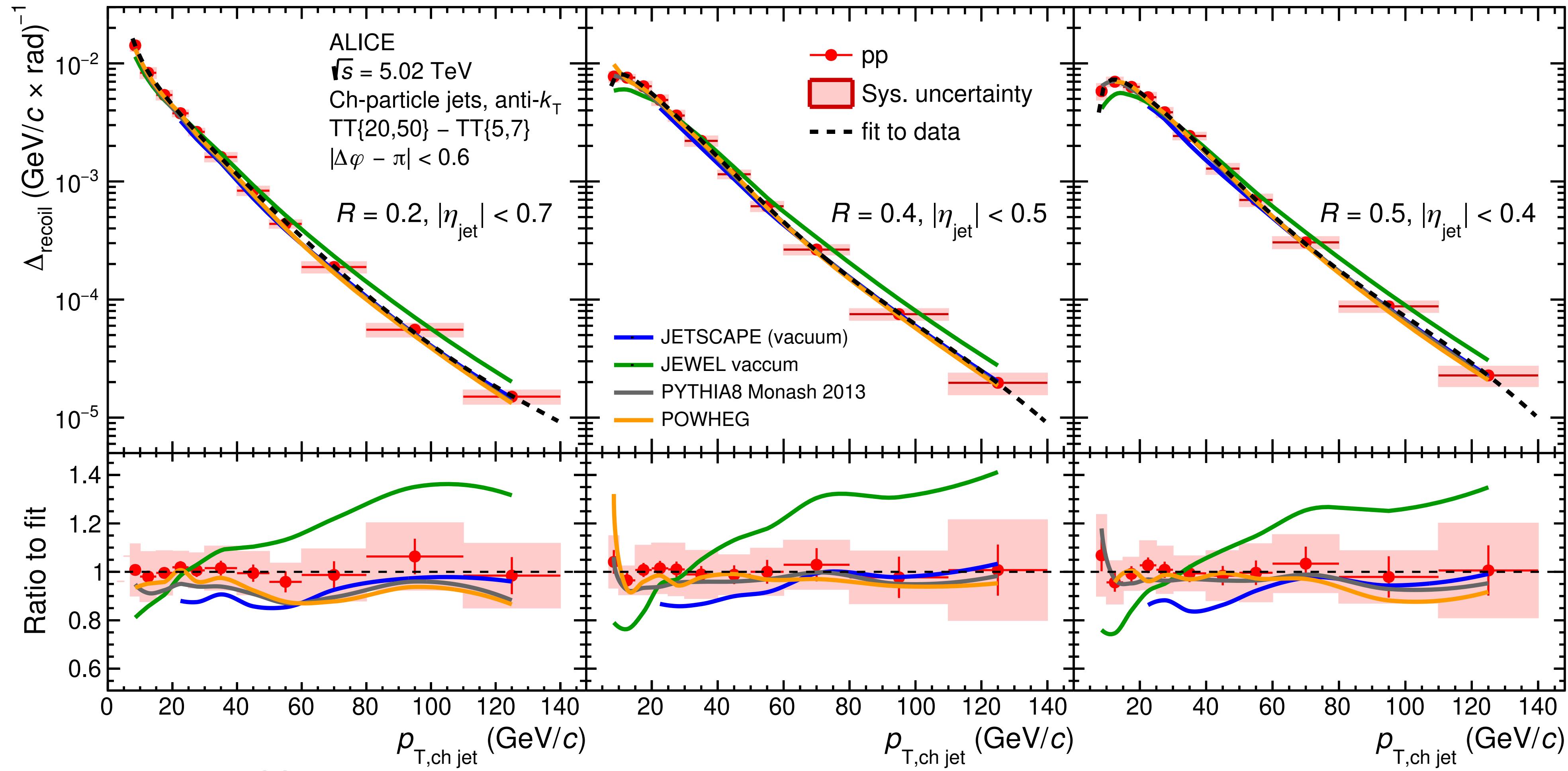
- Jet p_T corrected by underlying event density ρ
- Align underlying event density ρ in signal and reference-classed events

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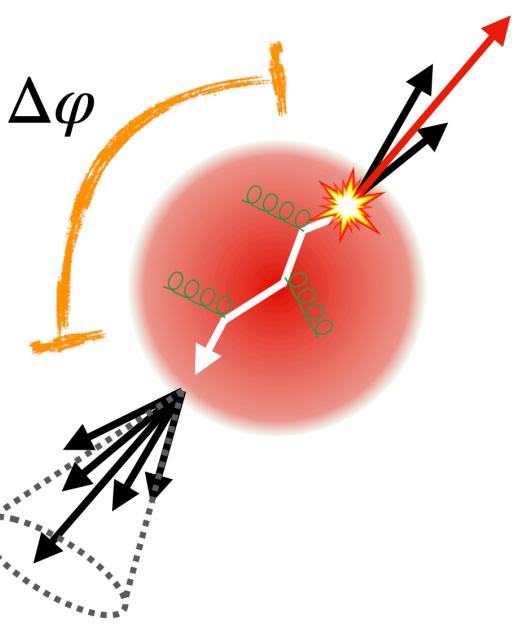
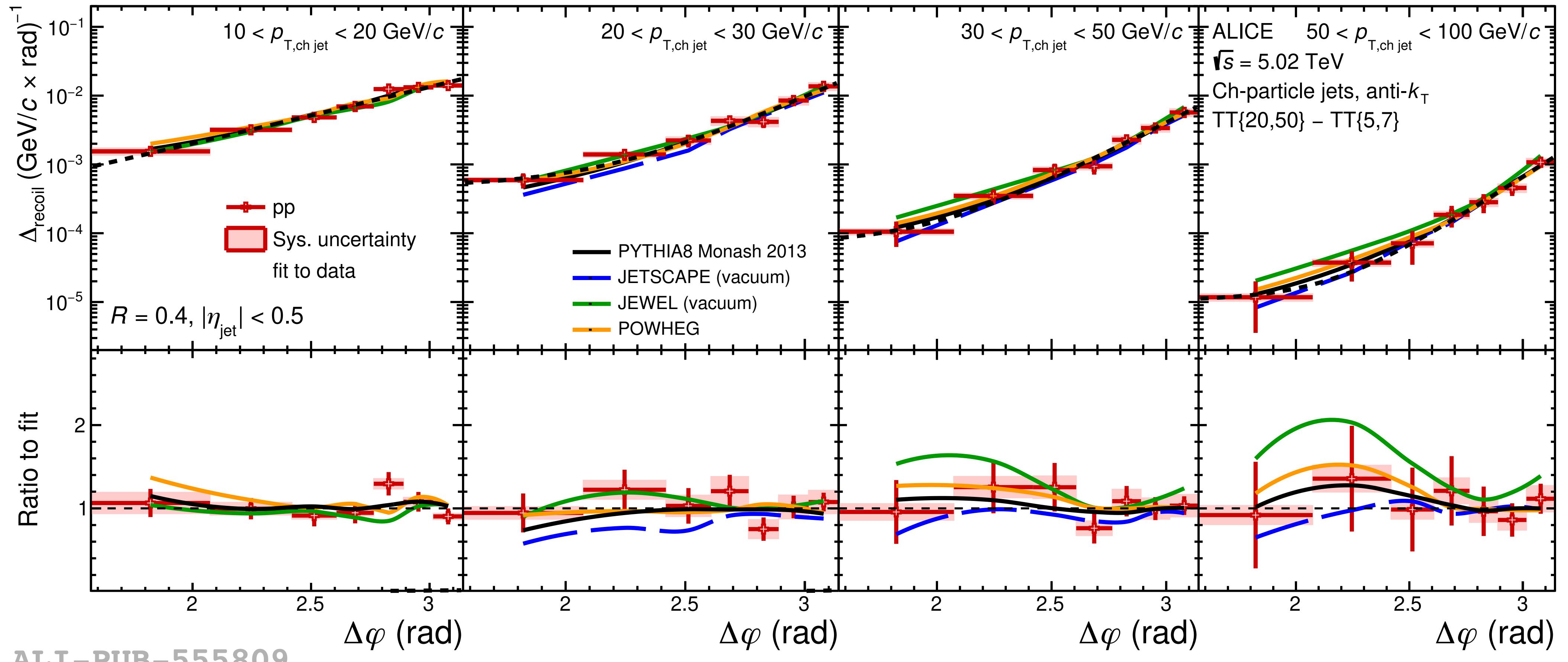
Fully-corrected $\Delta_{\text{recoil}}(p_{T,\text{ch jet}})$ distribution in pp collisions



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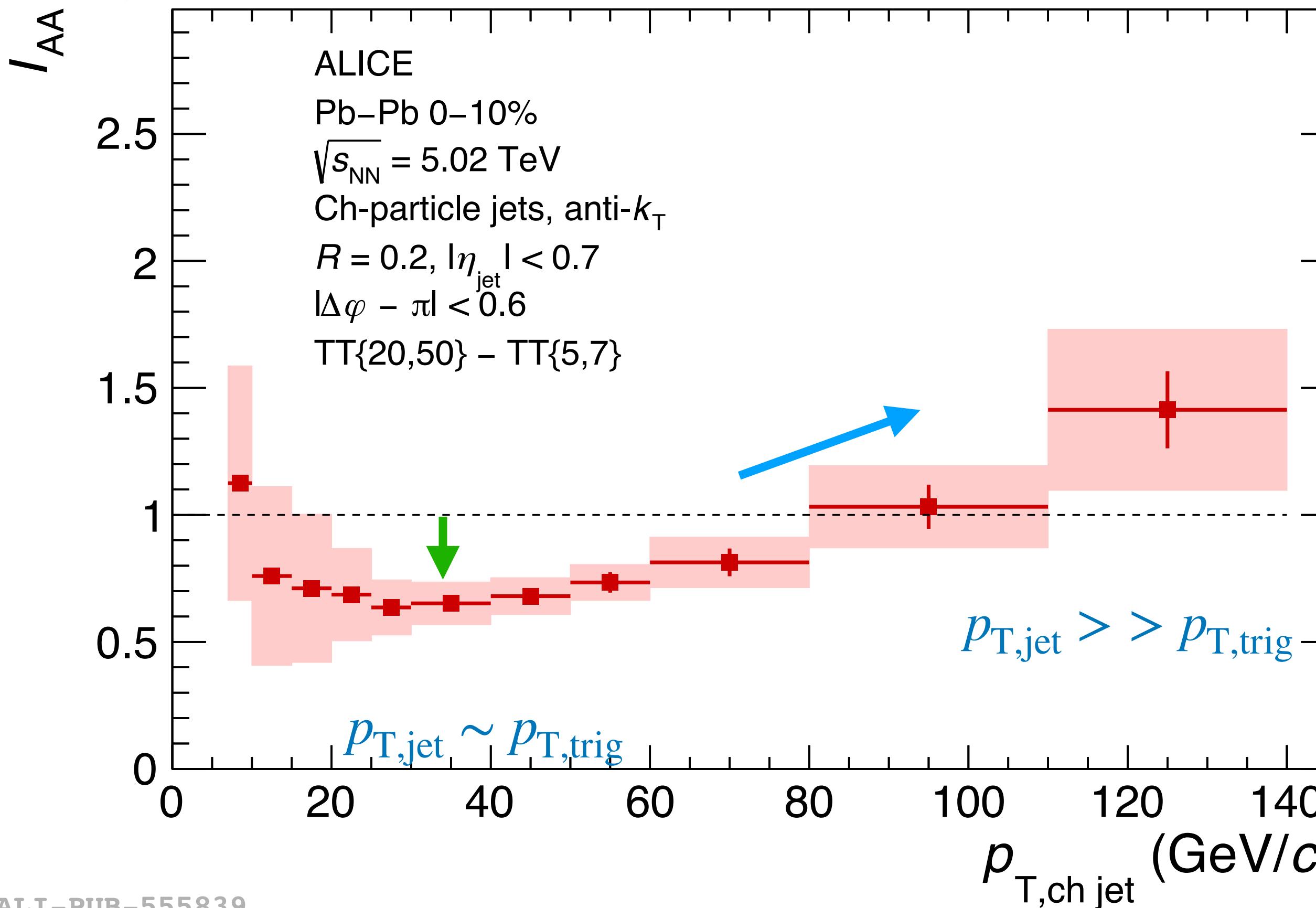
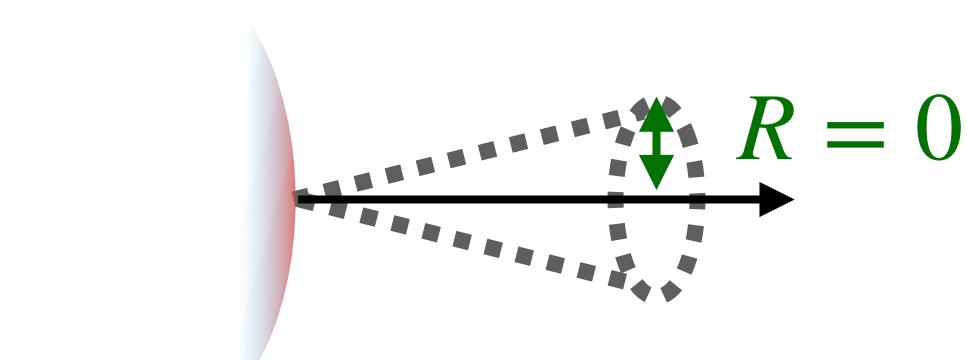
- $\Delta_{\text{recoil}}(p_T)$ described well by PYTHIA8, ‘vacuum’ reference models, and POWHEG
- Modest discrepancy for JEWEL (vacuum) at high $p_{T,\text{jet}}$

$\Delta_{\text{recoil}}(\Delta\varphi)$ in pp collisions (R=0.4)

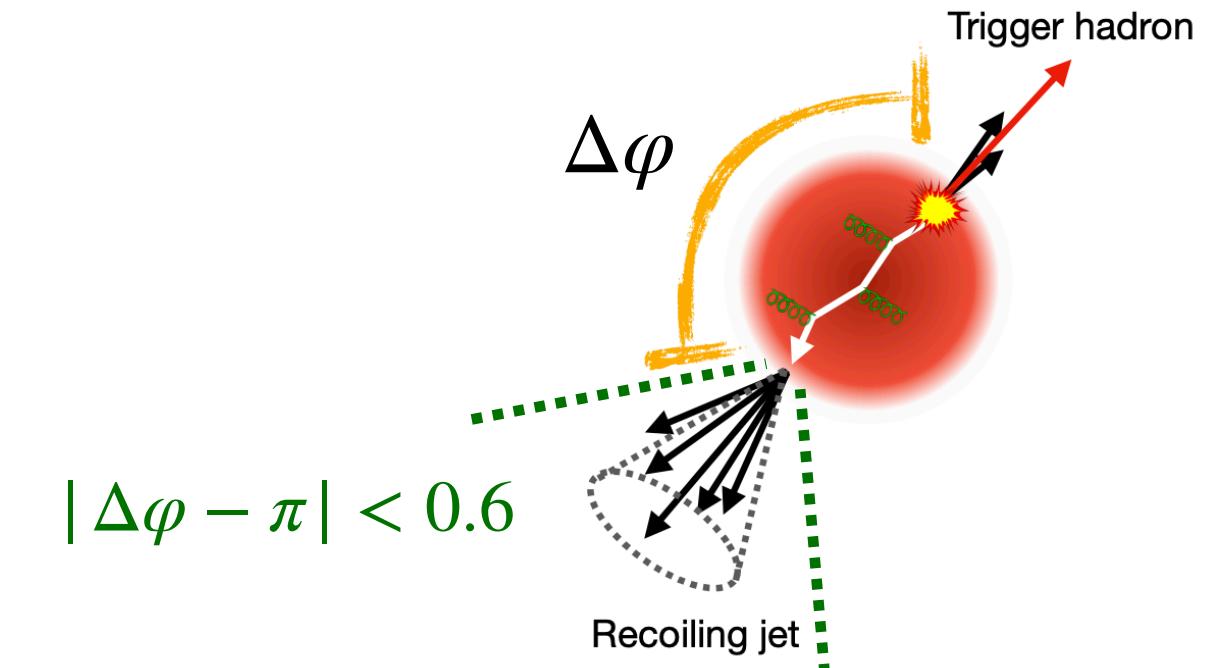


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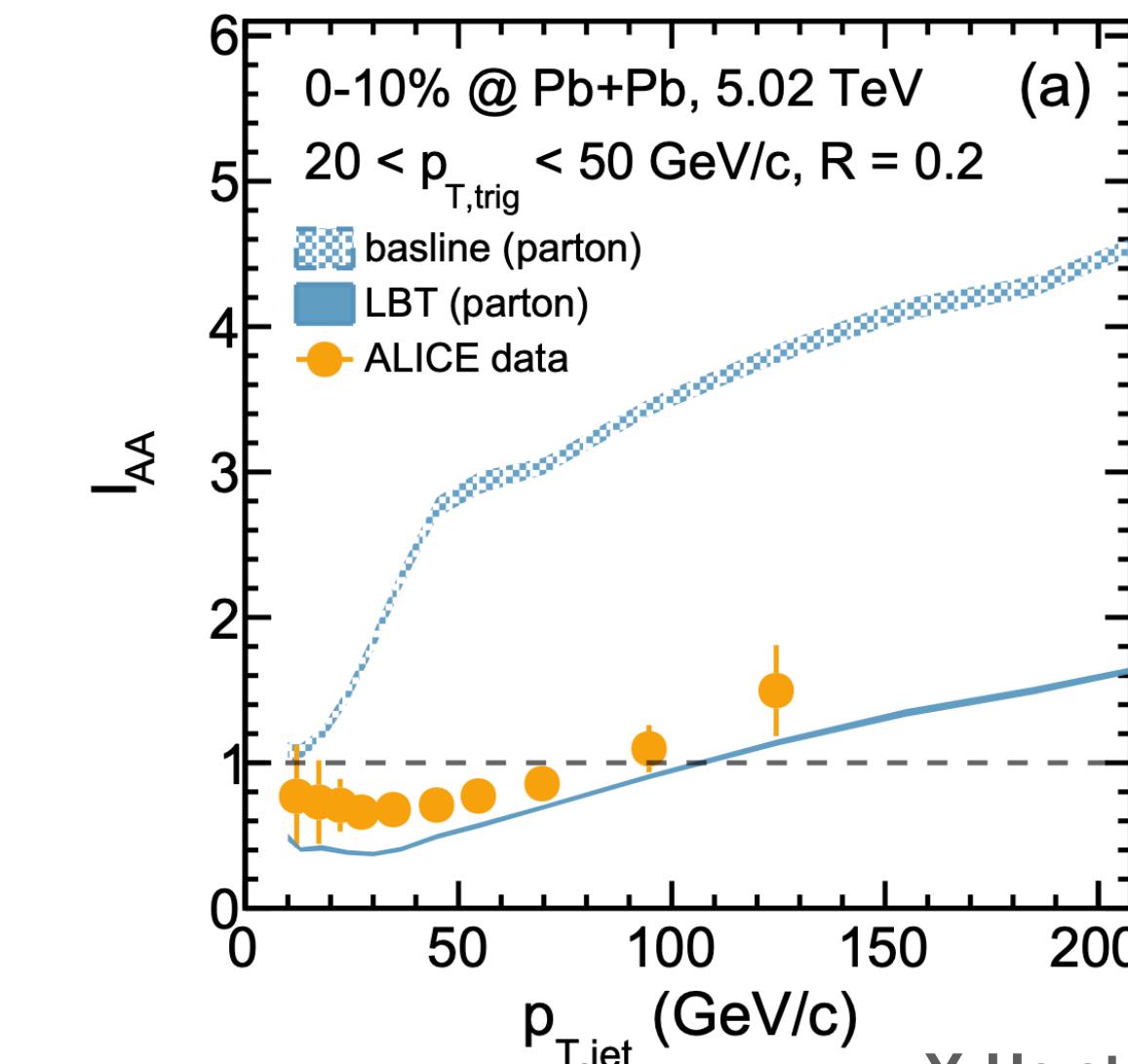
$I_{AA}(p_{T,\text{ch jet}})$ - recoil jet yield modification in Pb-Pb collisions



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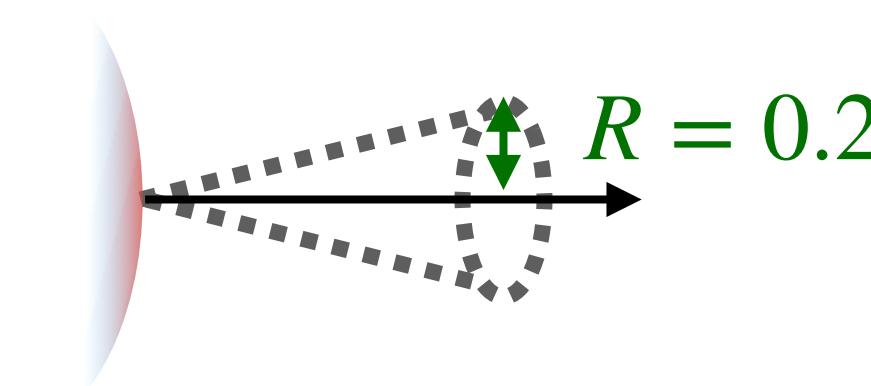


- **Suppression** at $20 < p_{T,\text{ch jet}} < 80 \text{ GeV}/c$
→ jet energy loss
- **Rising trend with $p_{T,\text{ch jet}}$**
→ interplay between hadron and jet energy loss?
Larger energy loss of trigger when $p_{T,\text{jet}} >> p_{T,\text{trig}}$?

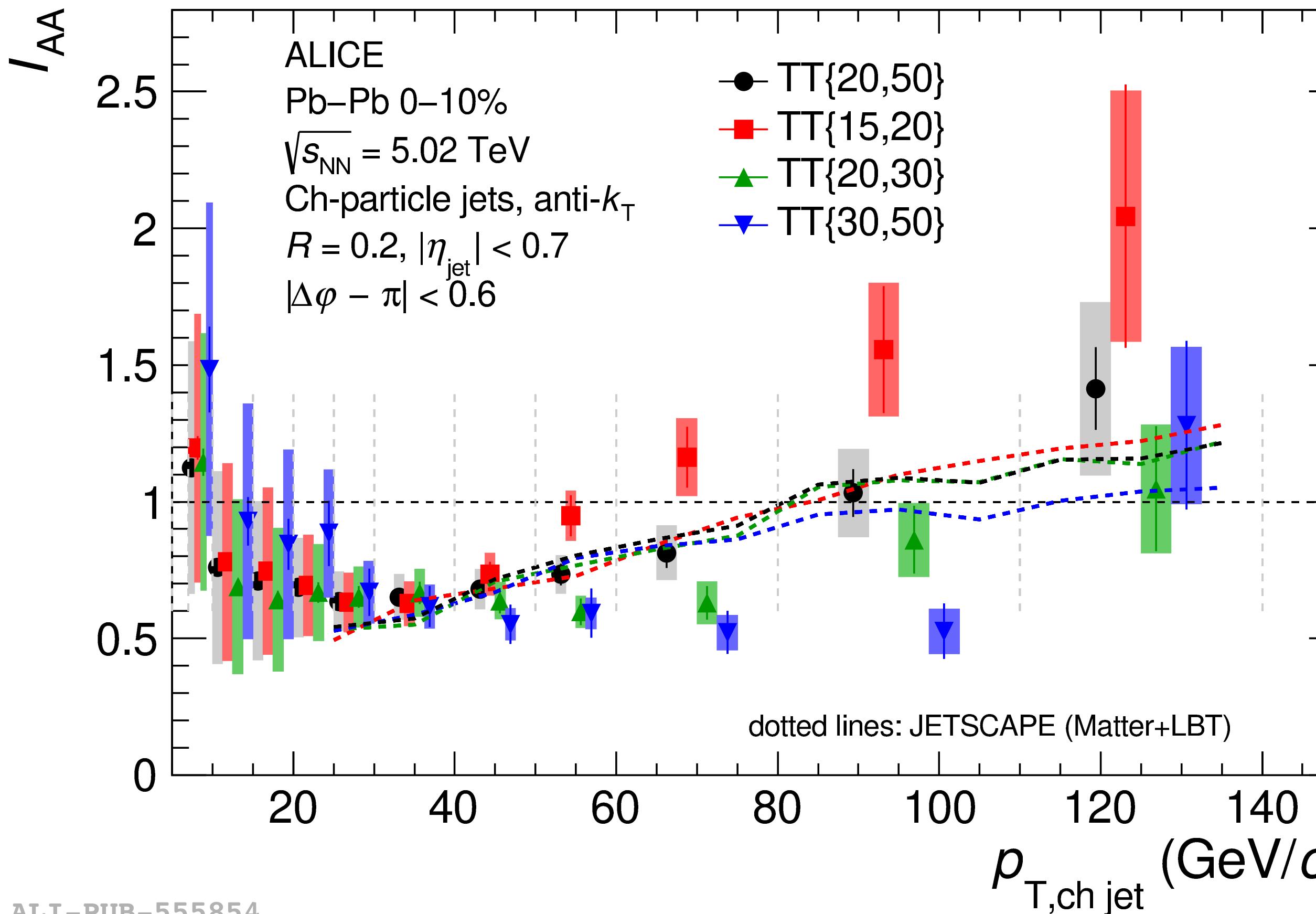
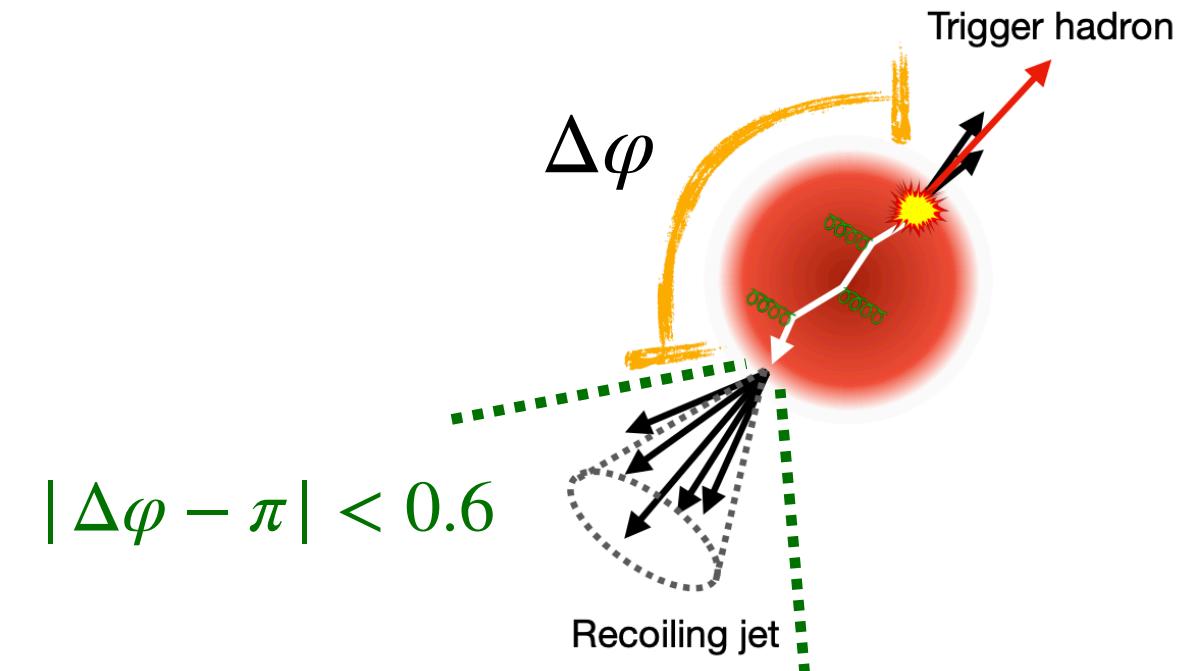


Recent model study
confirms this picture

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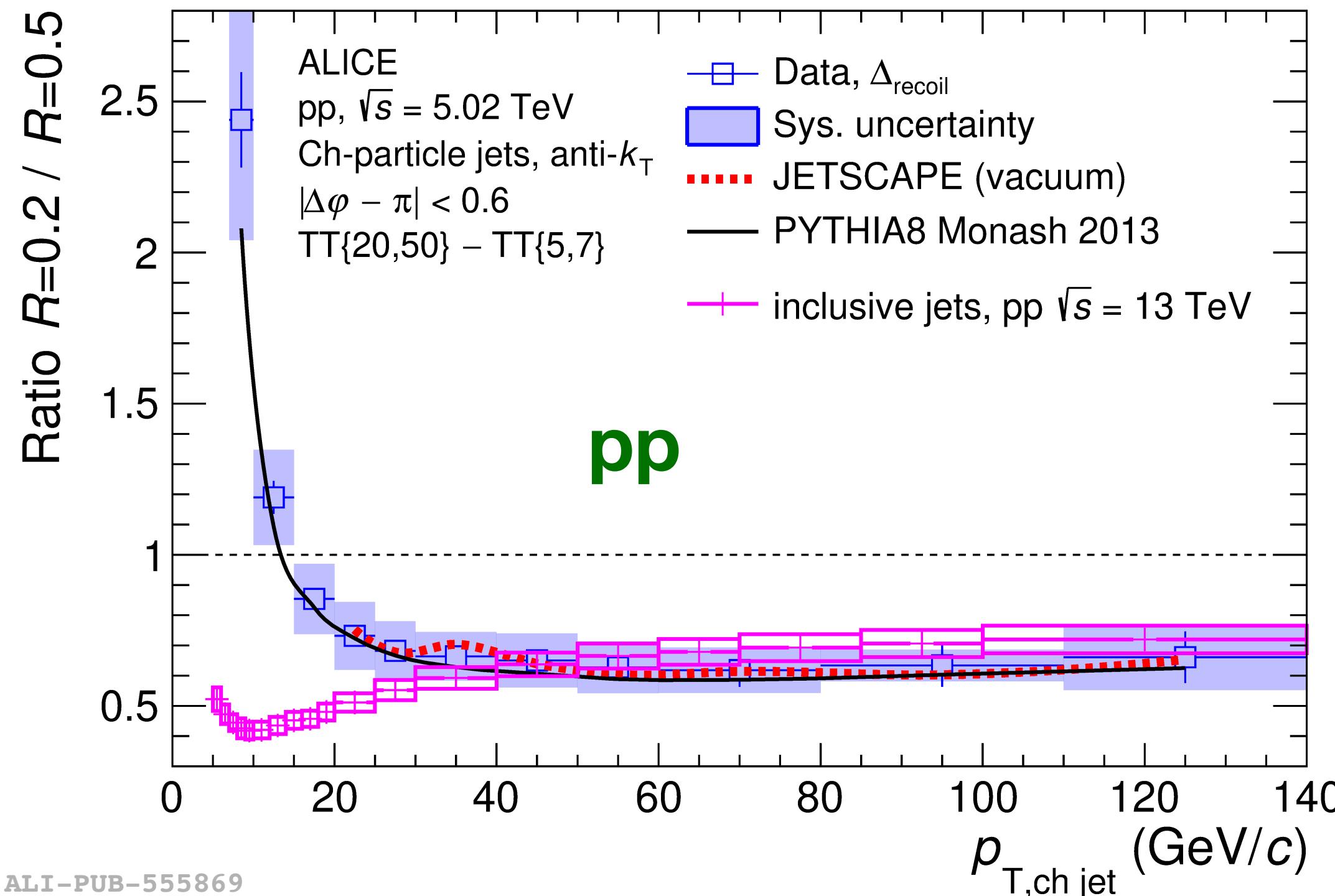
$$I_{AA} = \frac{\Delta_{\text{recoil}}(\text{Pb} - \text{Pb})}{\Delta_{\text{recoil}}(\text{pp})}$$



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- Expected that high p_T hadrons leading fragment of jet originating from QGP surface ('surface bias')
- $p_T^{\text{jet}} \sim p_T^{\text{trig}}$: suppression - surface bias picture holds
- $p_T^{\text{jet}} \gg p_T^{\text{trig}}$: trigger hadron may not be leading fragment or from higher order process
 - interplay between jet and hadron suppression can lead to enhanced I_{AA}
- New insight into interplay between hadron and jet suppression

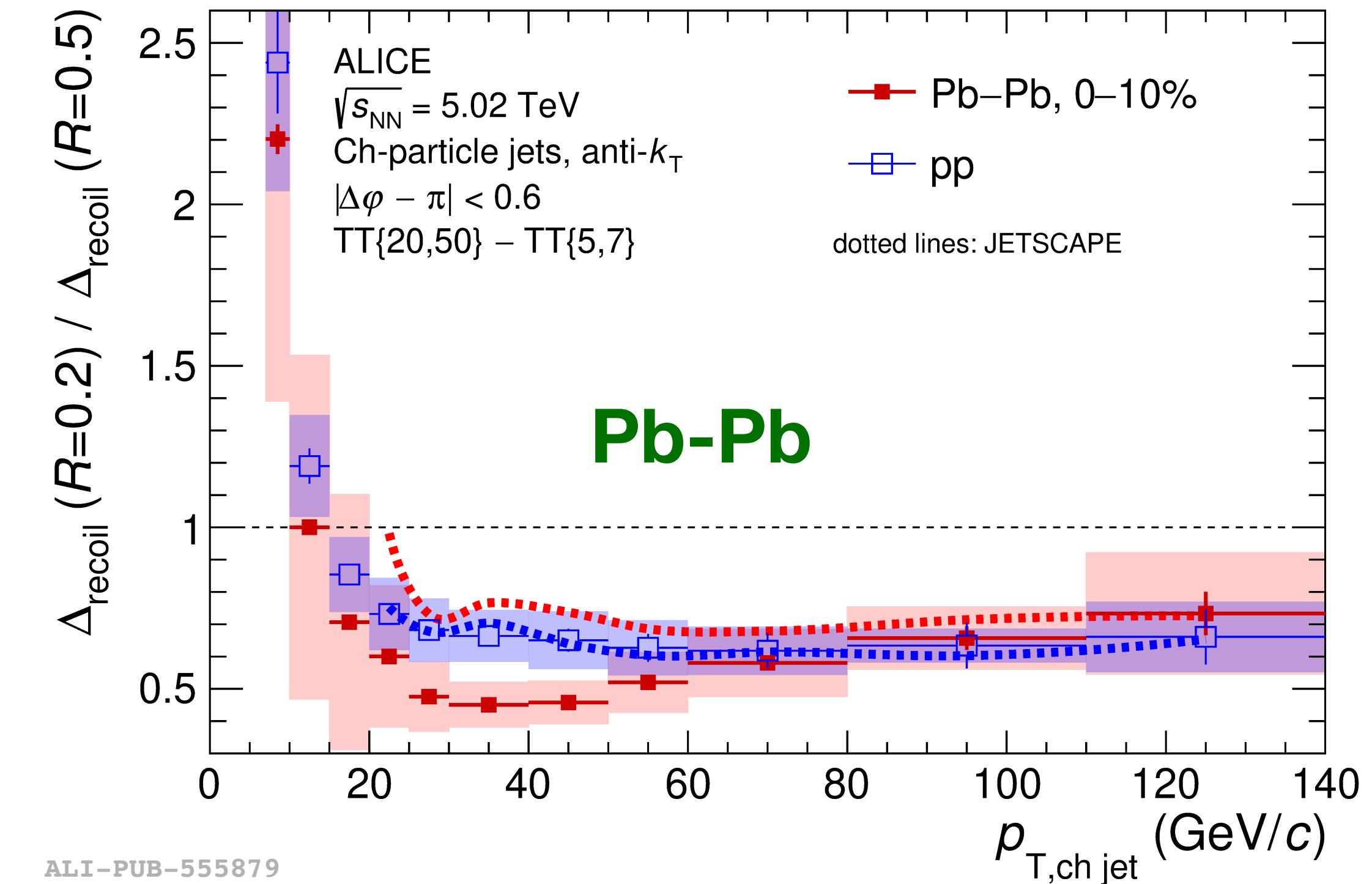
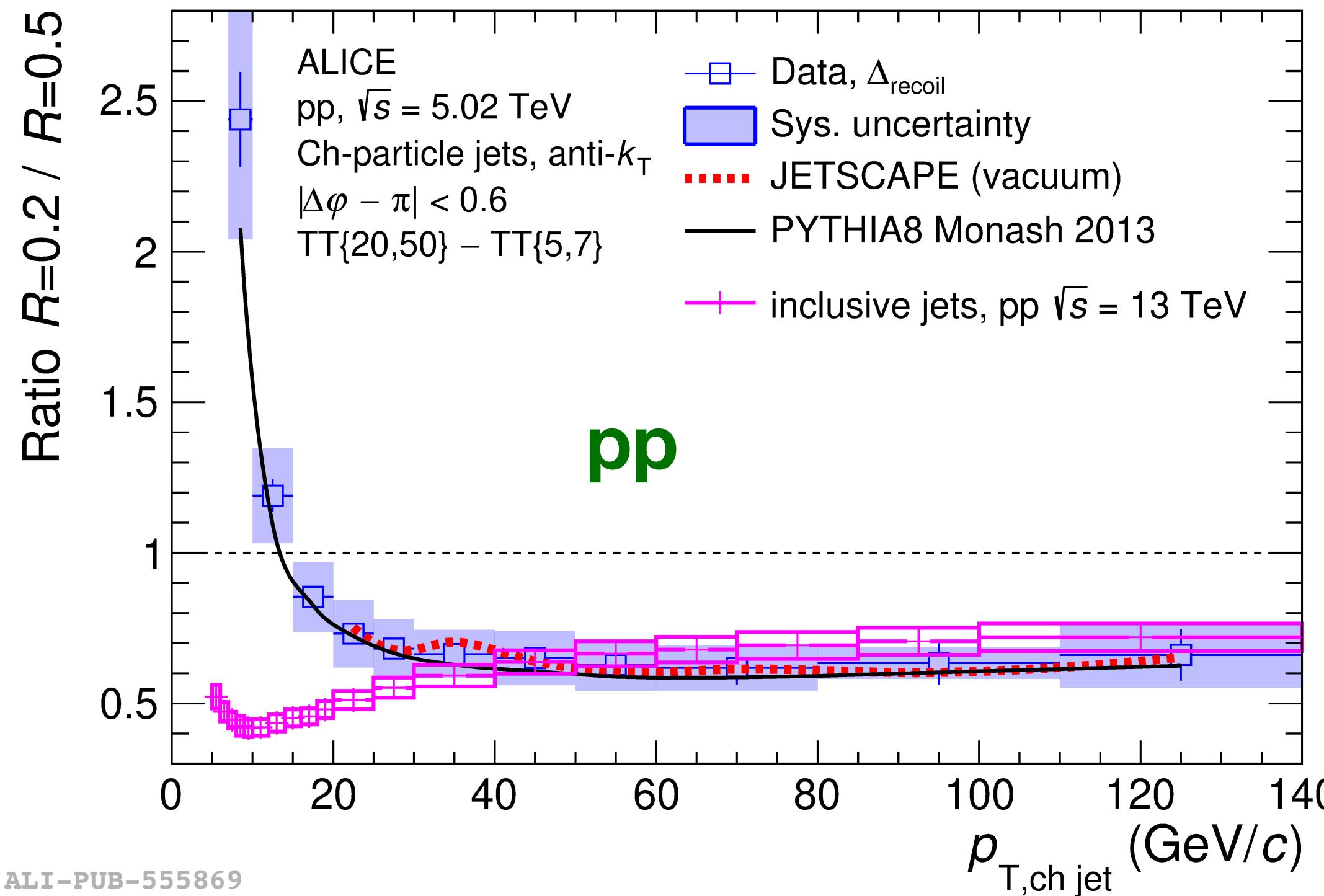
Studying intra-jet broadening through R-ratios



- $R=0.2 / R=0.5$ ratio deviates from inclusive jet ratio for $p_{T,\text{ch jet}} < p_T^{\text{trig}}$

- $\tilde{z} = \frac{p_T^{\text{trig}}}{p_T^{\text{jet}}}$
- $\tilde{z} > 1 \rightarrow \text{LO processes suppressed}$
- preference for more, small R jets w.r.t. large R jets to be reconstructed?

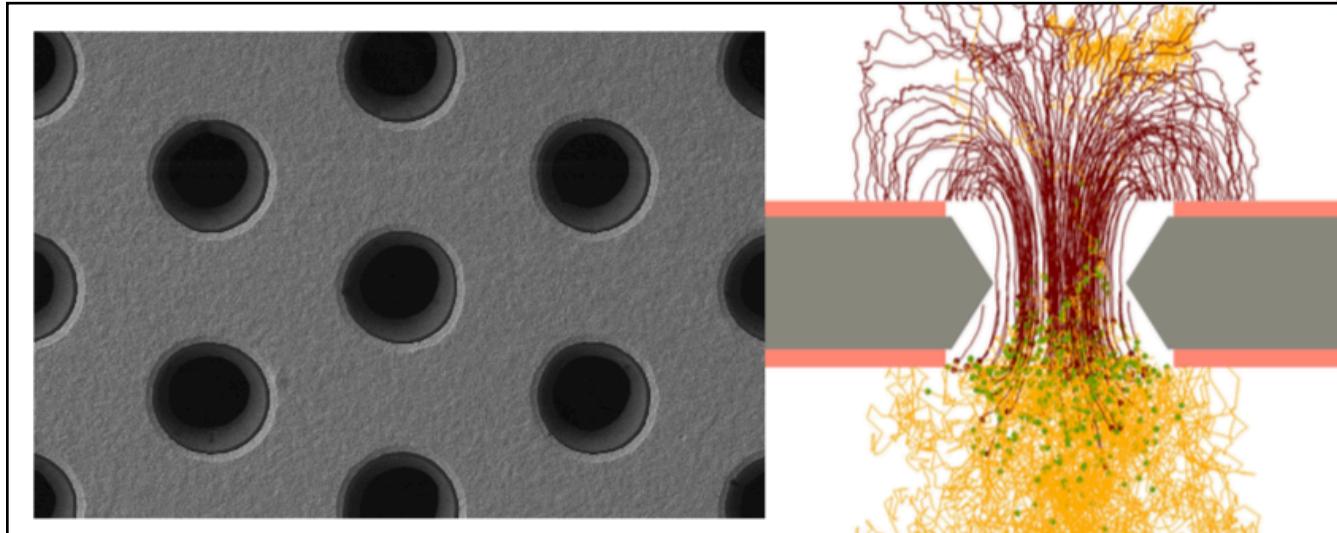
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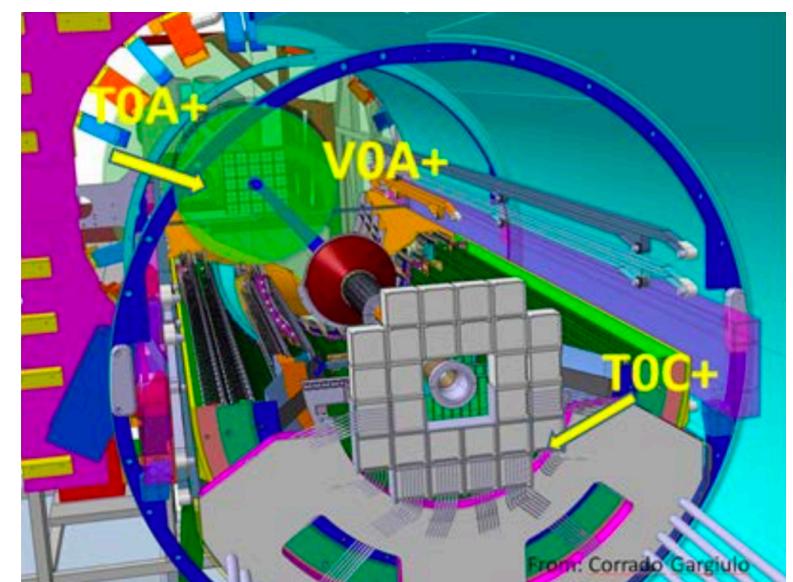
- Hints that $R=0.2$ jets suppressed more than $R=0.5$ jets in Pb-Pb w.r.t pp in 30-60 GeV/c
- Energy recovery for wider jets?

ALICE in Run 3

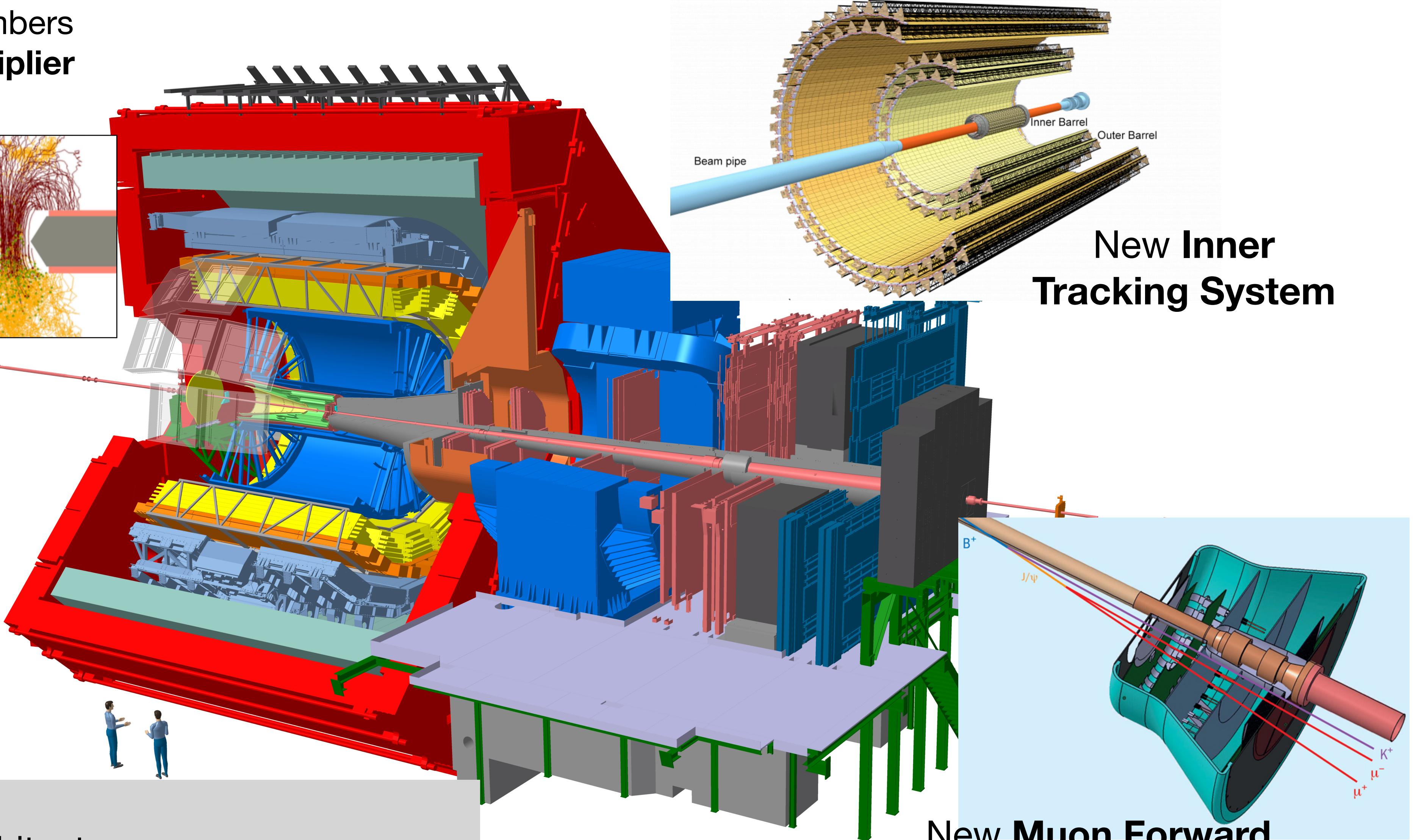
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New forward
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(FIT)

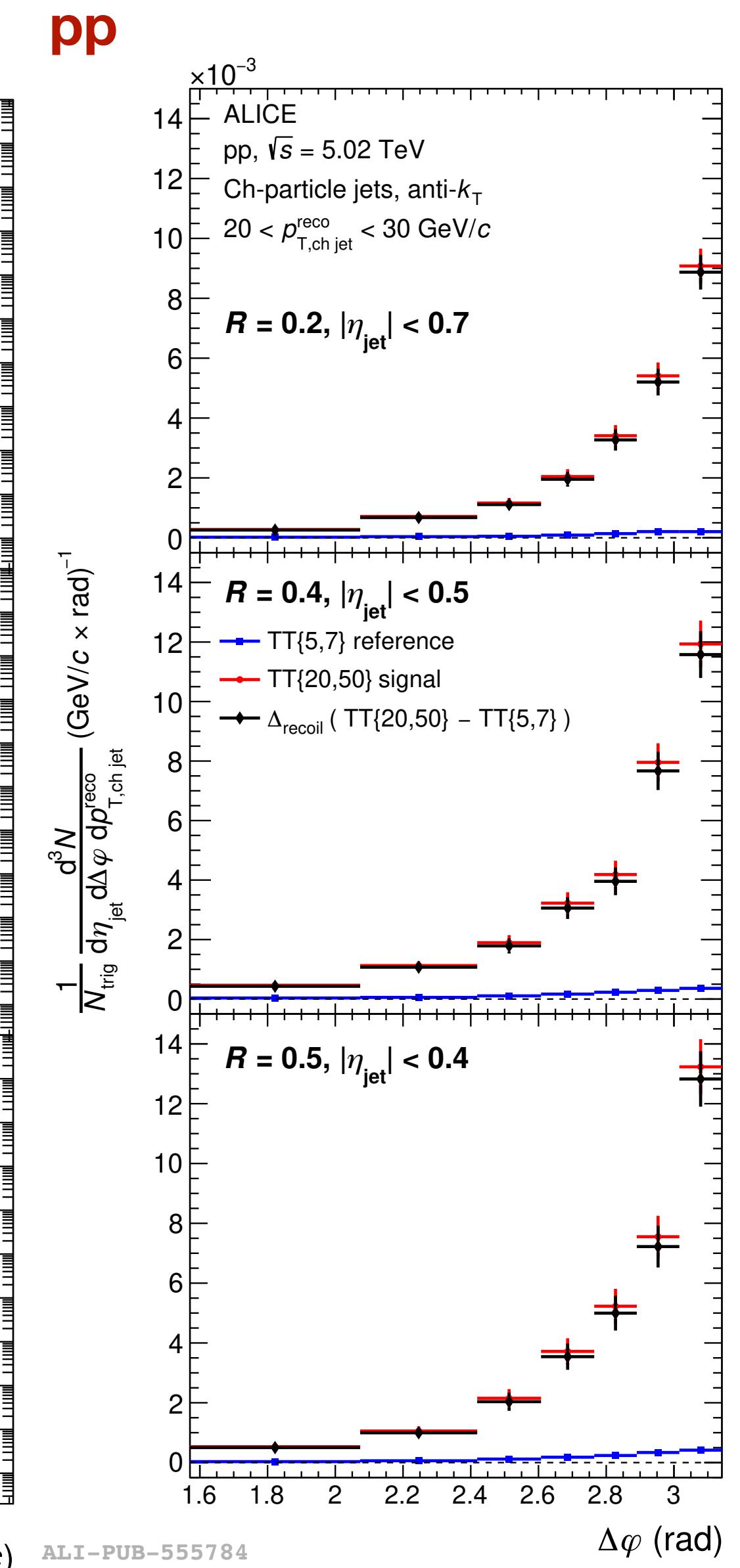
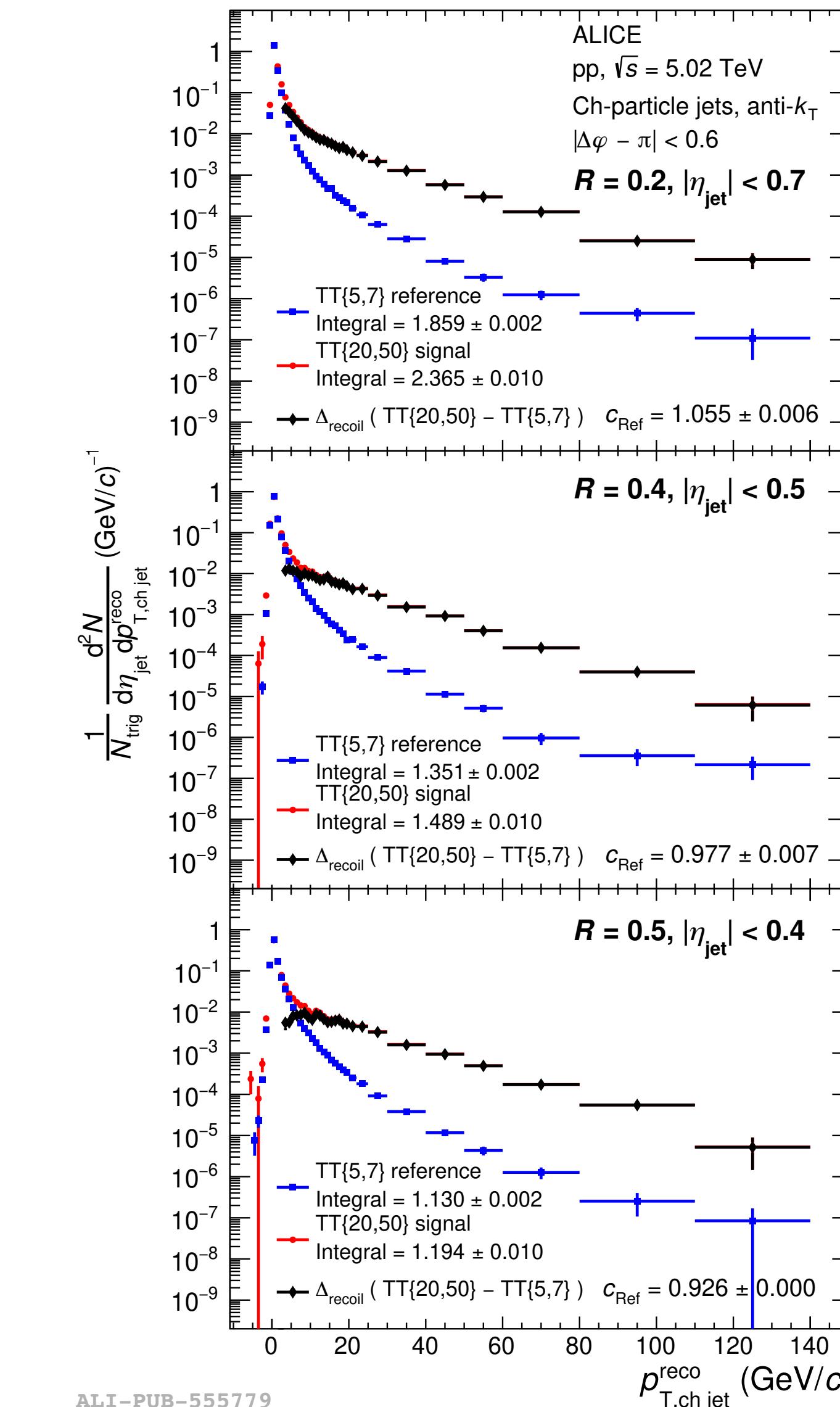
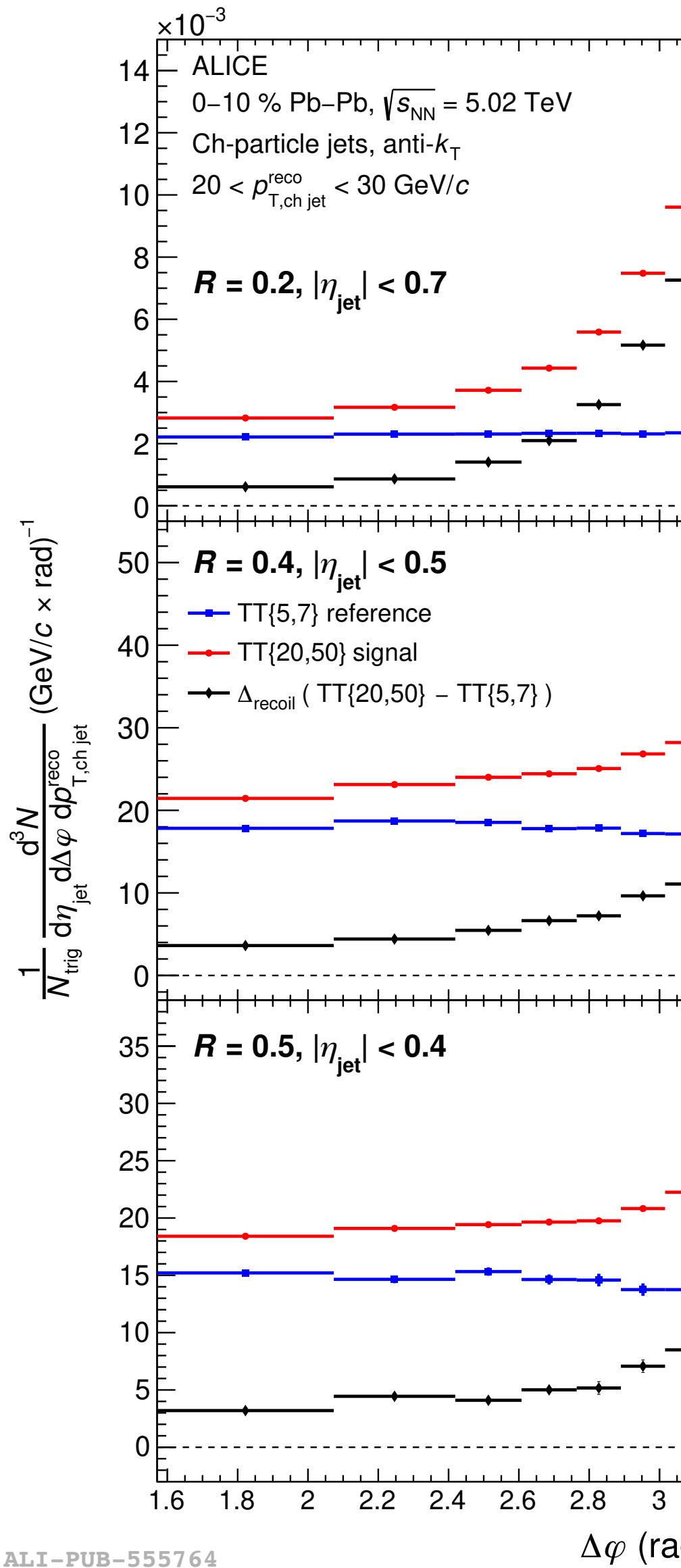
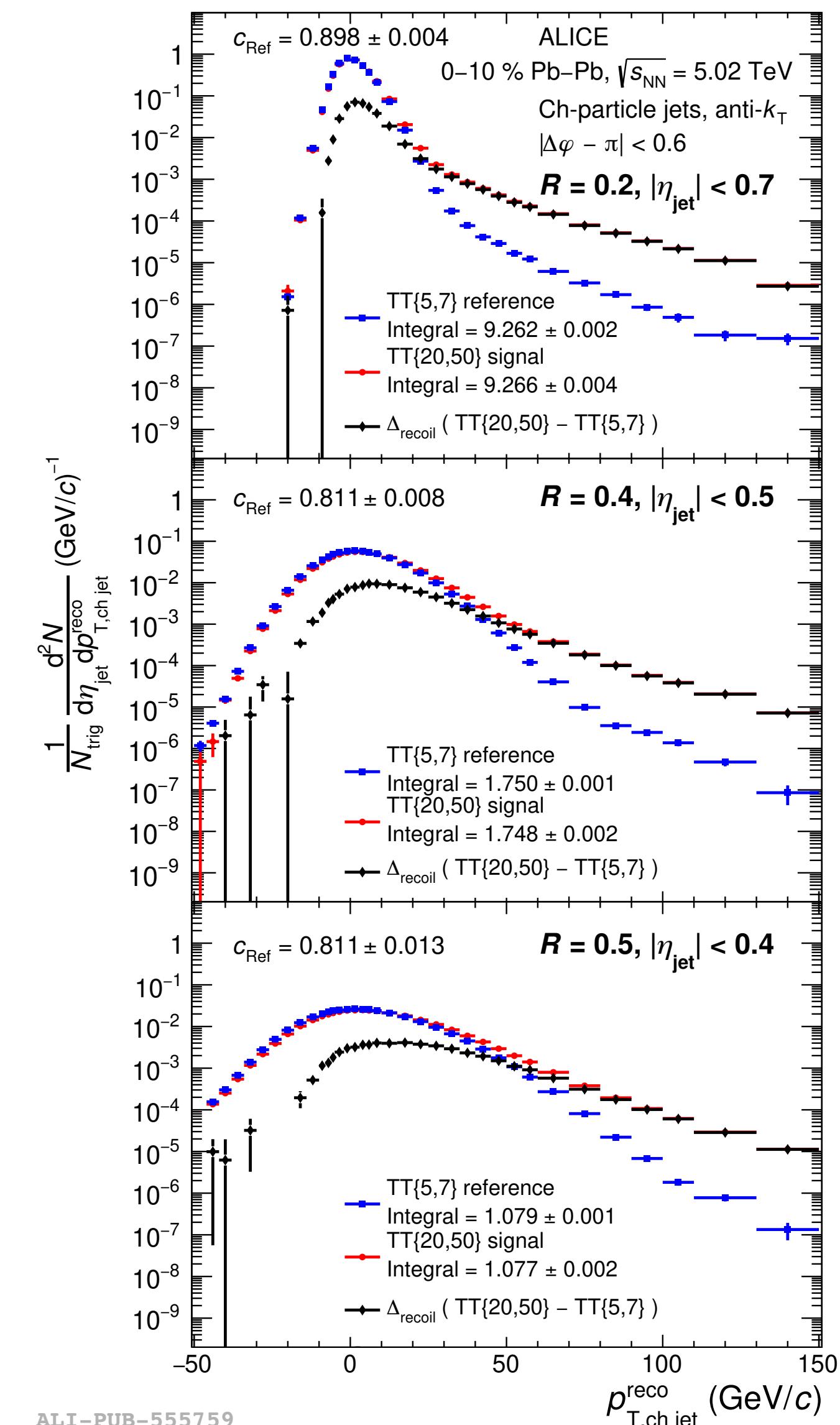


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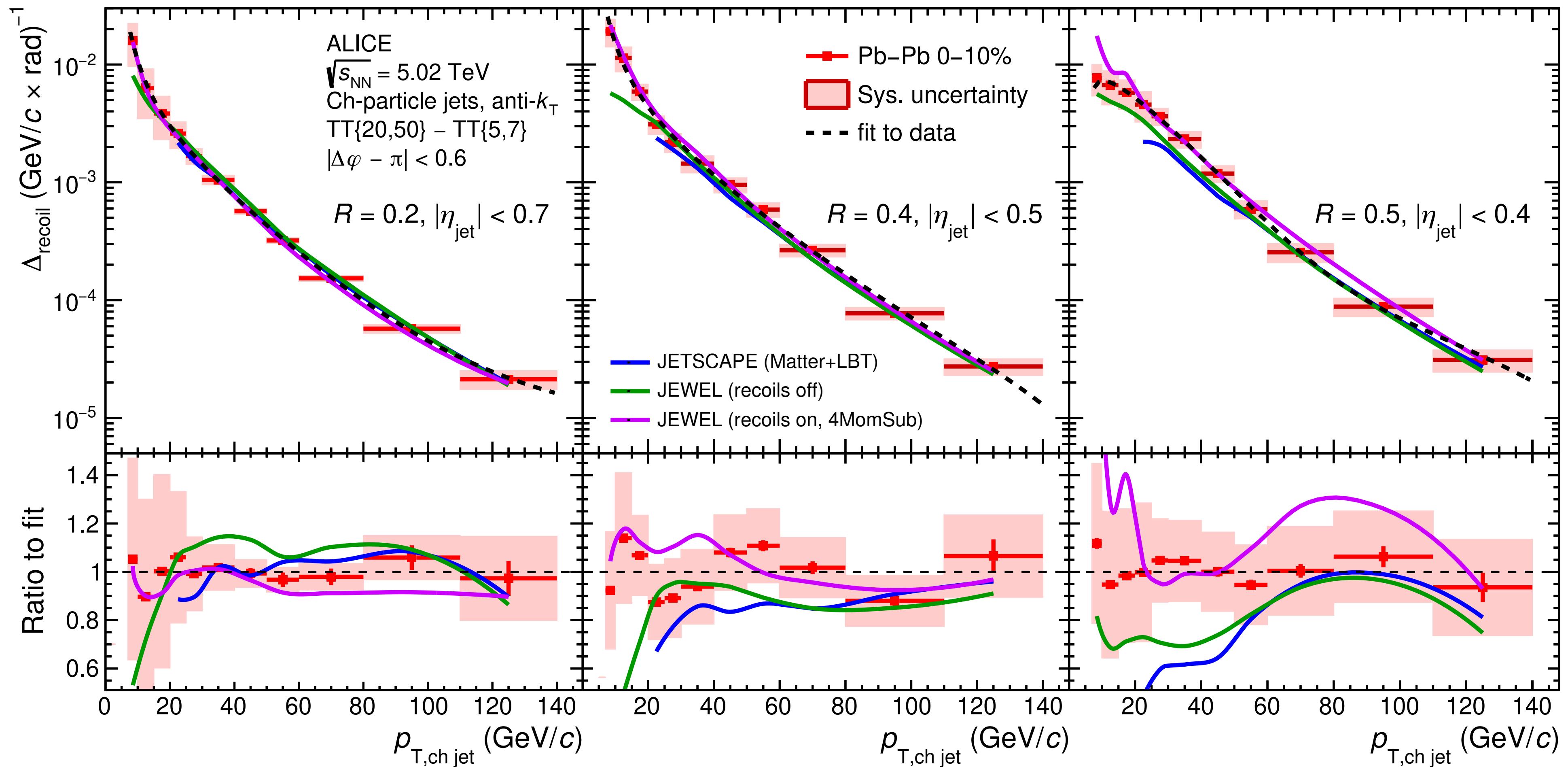
Raw distributions

Pb-Pb



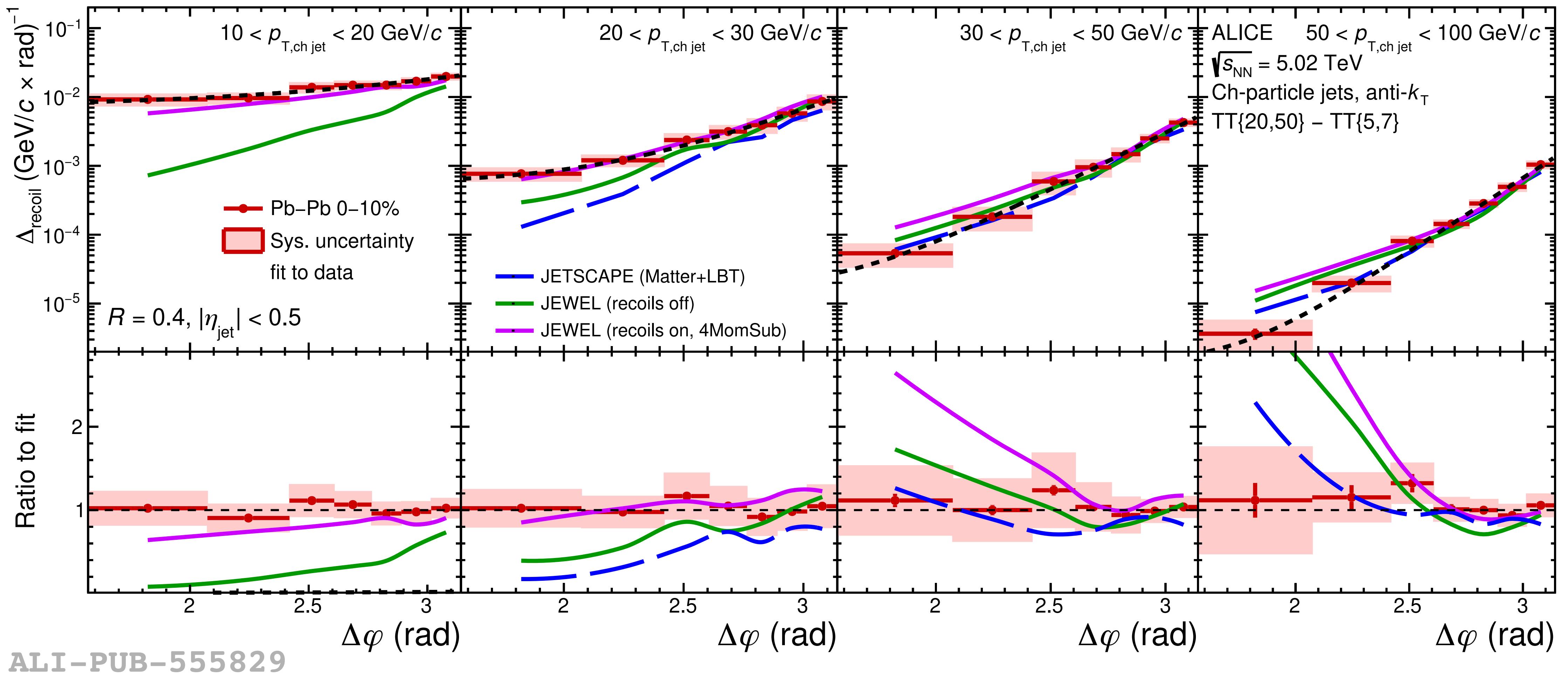
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$\Delta_{\text{recoil}}(p_{\text{T},\text{ch jet}})$ in Pb—Pb collisions



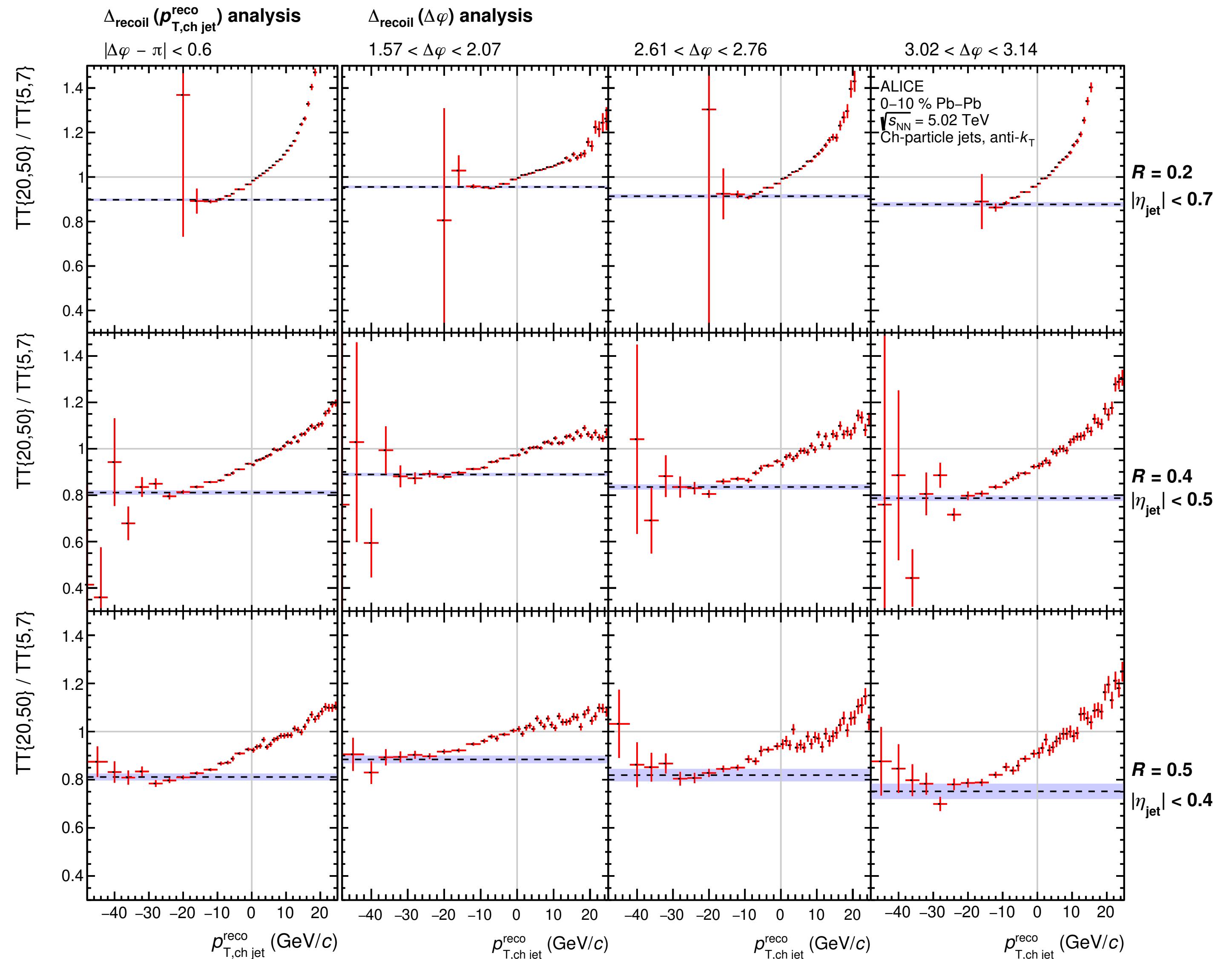
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Jet acoplanarity: Pb-Pb collisions (R=0.4)



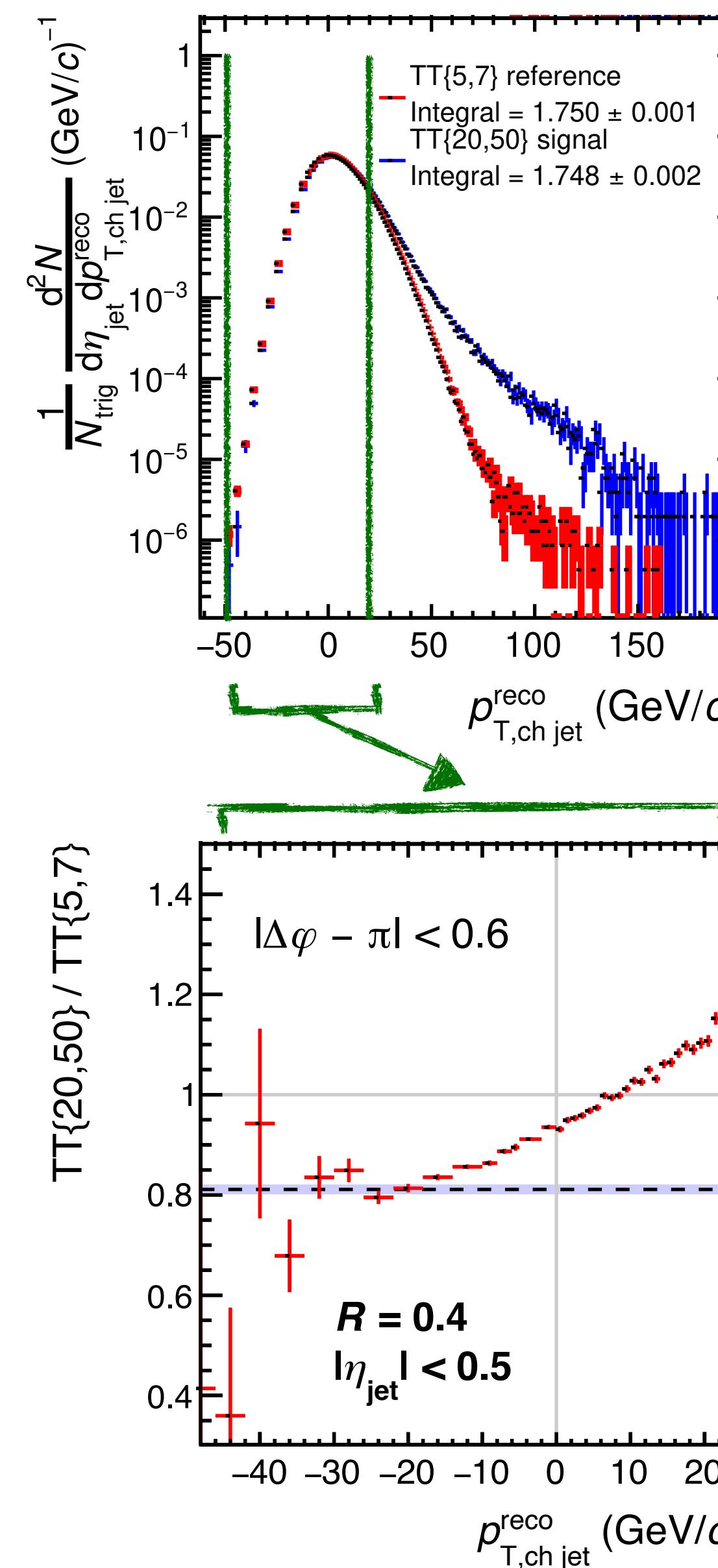
- JEWEL (recoils on) provides best low- $p_{T,\text{ch jet}}$ description of data, though over predicts high- $p_{T,\text{ch jet}}$ tails of distribution
- JETSCAPE provides best high- $p_{T,\text{ch jet}}$ description of data

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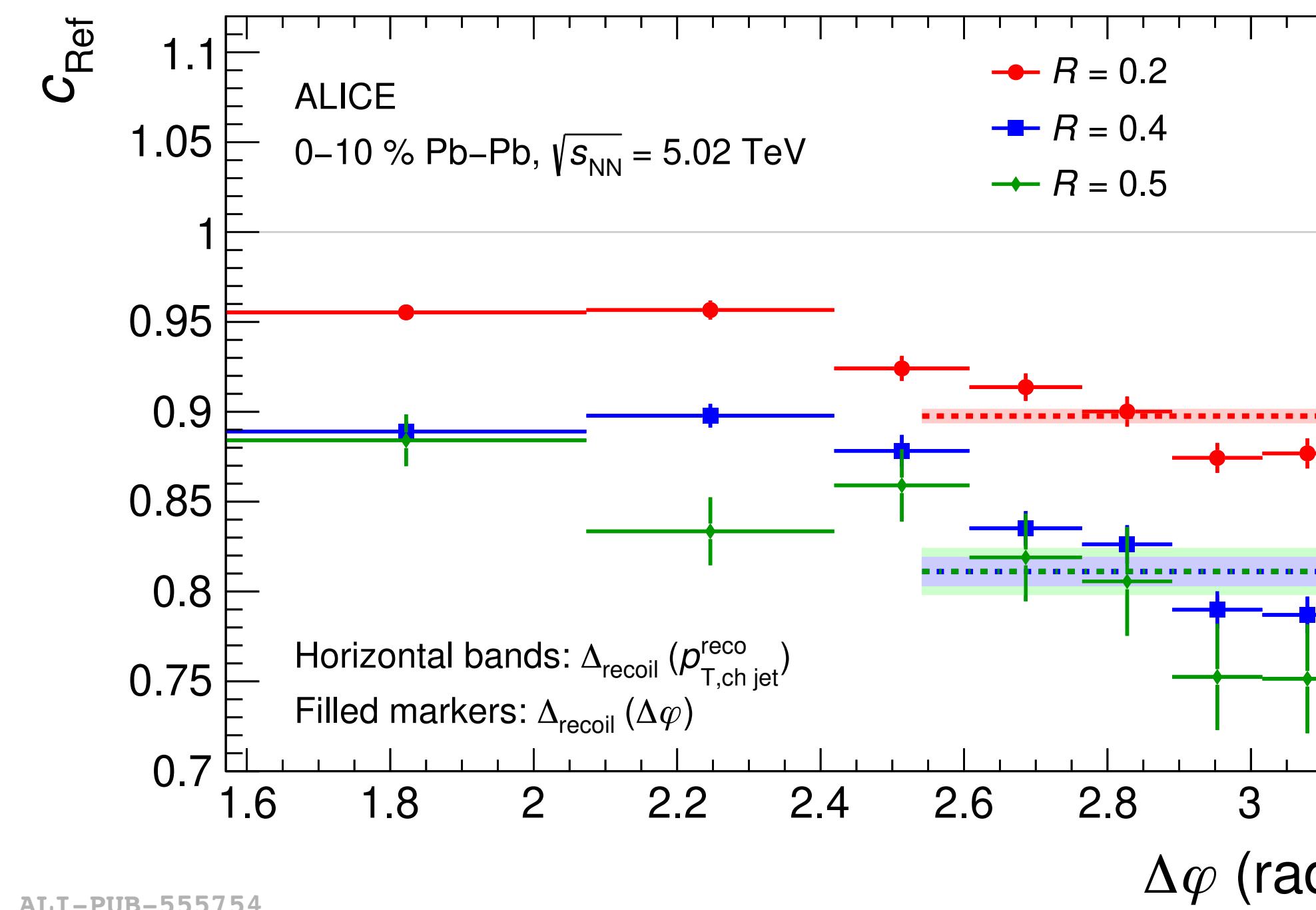
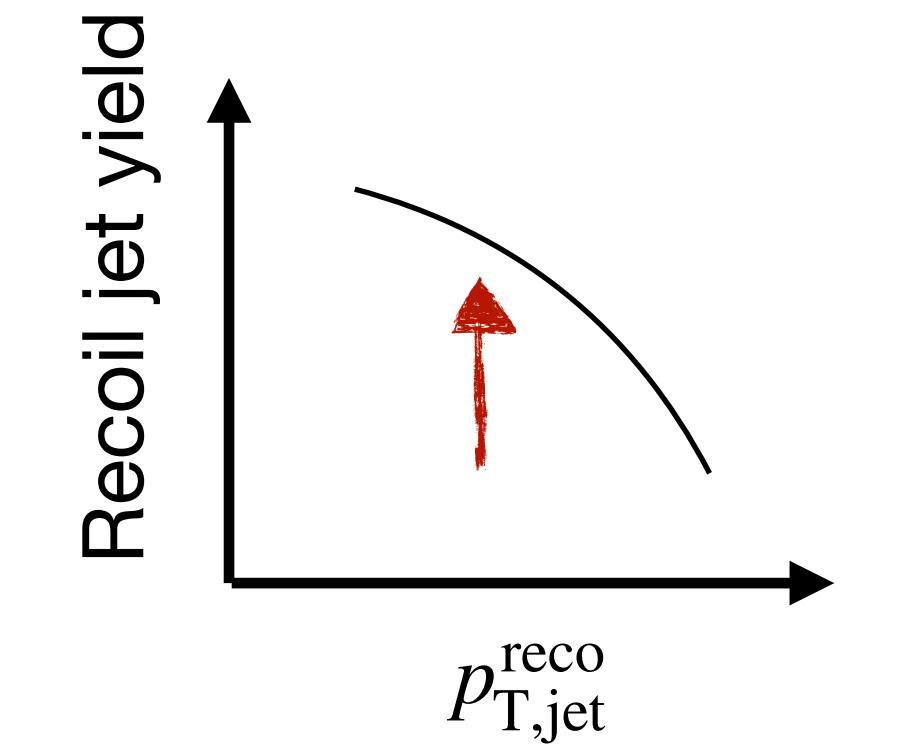
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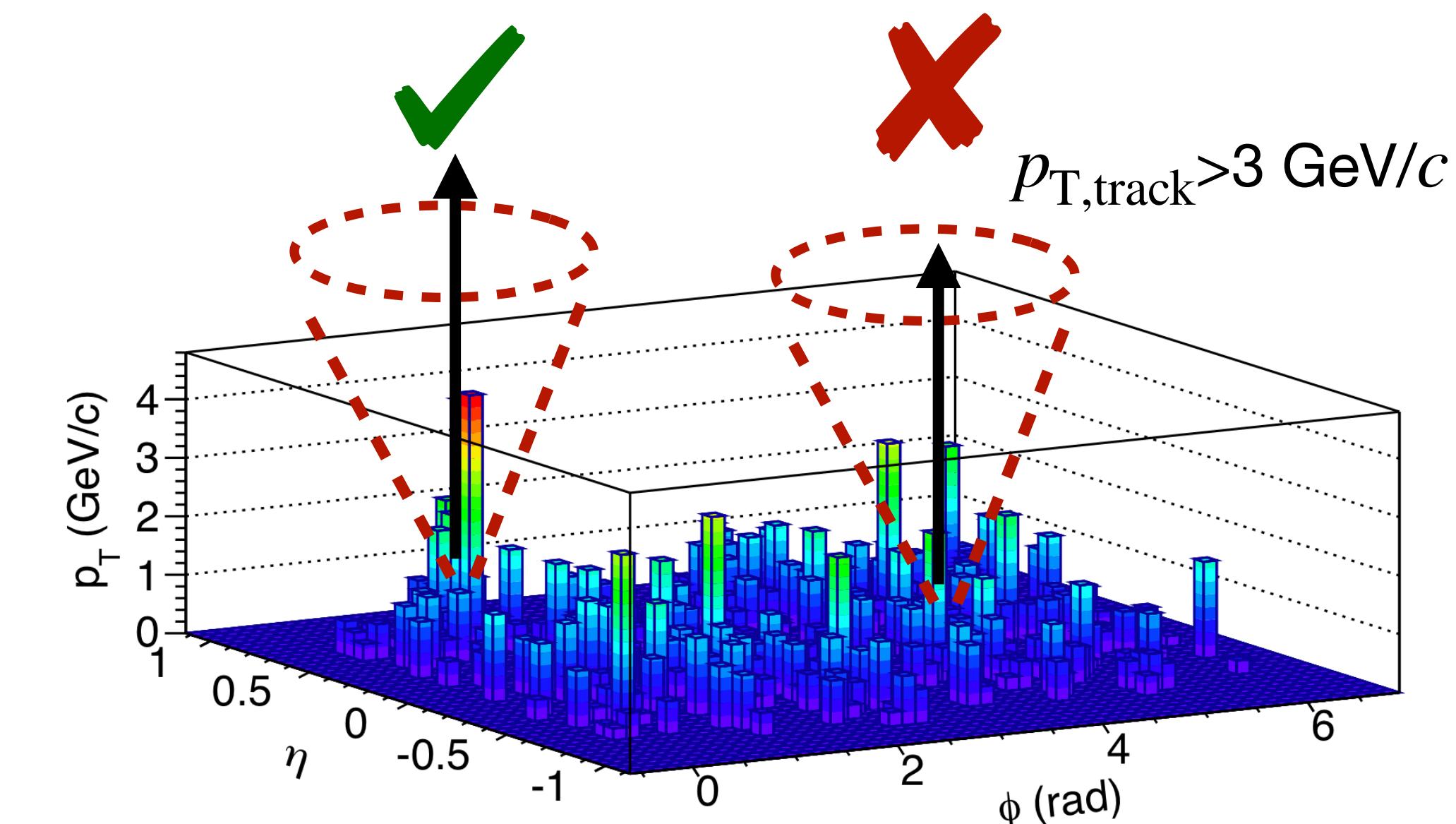
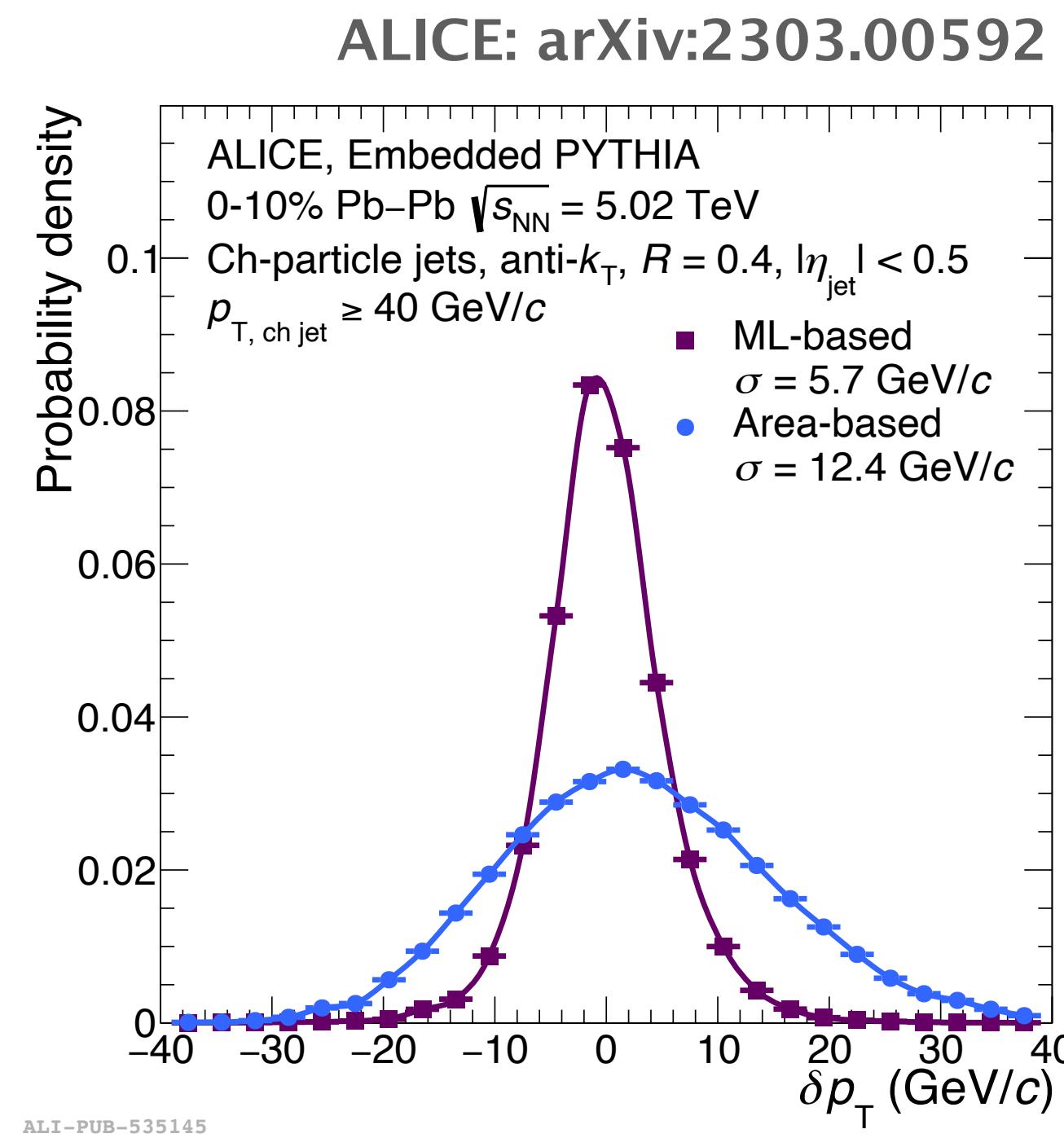
1. $p_{T,\text{jet}}^{\text{reco}}$ scale (‘horizontal’)
2. Yield scale (‘vertical’)



- Correction $\Delta\varphi/R$ -dependent
- more correlated yield \rightarrow larger c_{Ref} correction

Dealing with background in heavy-ion collisions: Jet-wise correction

- Combinatorial background a major challenge for jet measurements in heavy ion collisions
 - what is a ‘true’ jet from a hard scattering and what is from uncorrelated sources?
 - **Especially important for low p_T measurements** where $p_T^{\text{jet}} \sim p_T^{\text{bkg}}$



- **ML-based approach** - improve background resolution using NN trained on PYTHIA jets

- **Leading track bias approach** - guarantee selection jets with hard component