

QCD Energy Correlator at Colliders

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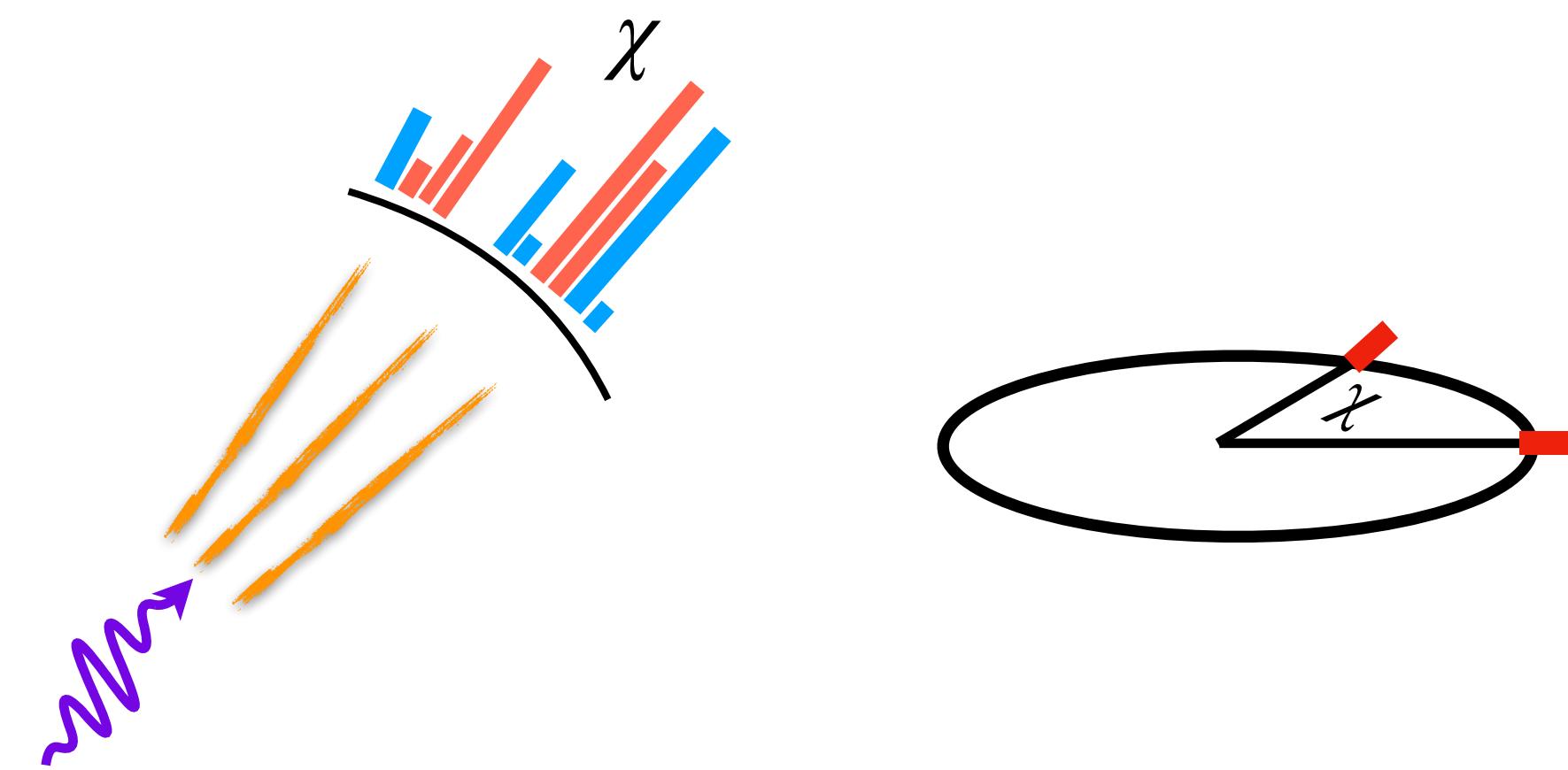
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- Review of the Energy Correlators
- Collider Phenomenology
- Features
- α_s extraction
- Top mass measurement
- Heavy quark hadronization
- Conclusions

Energy Correlators

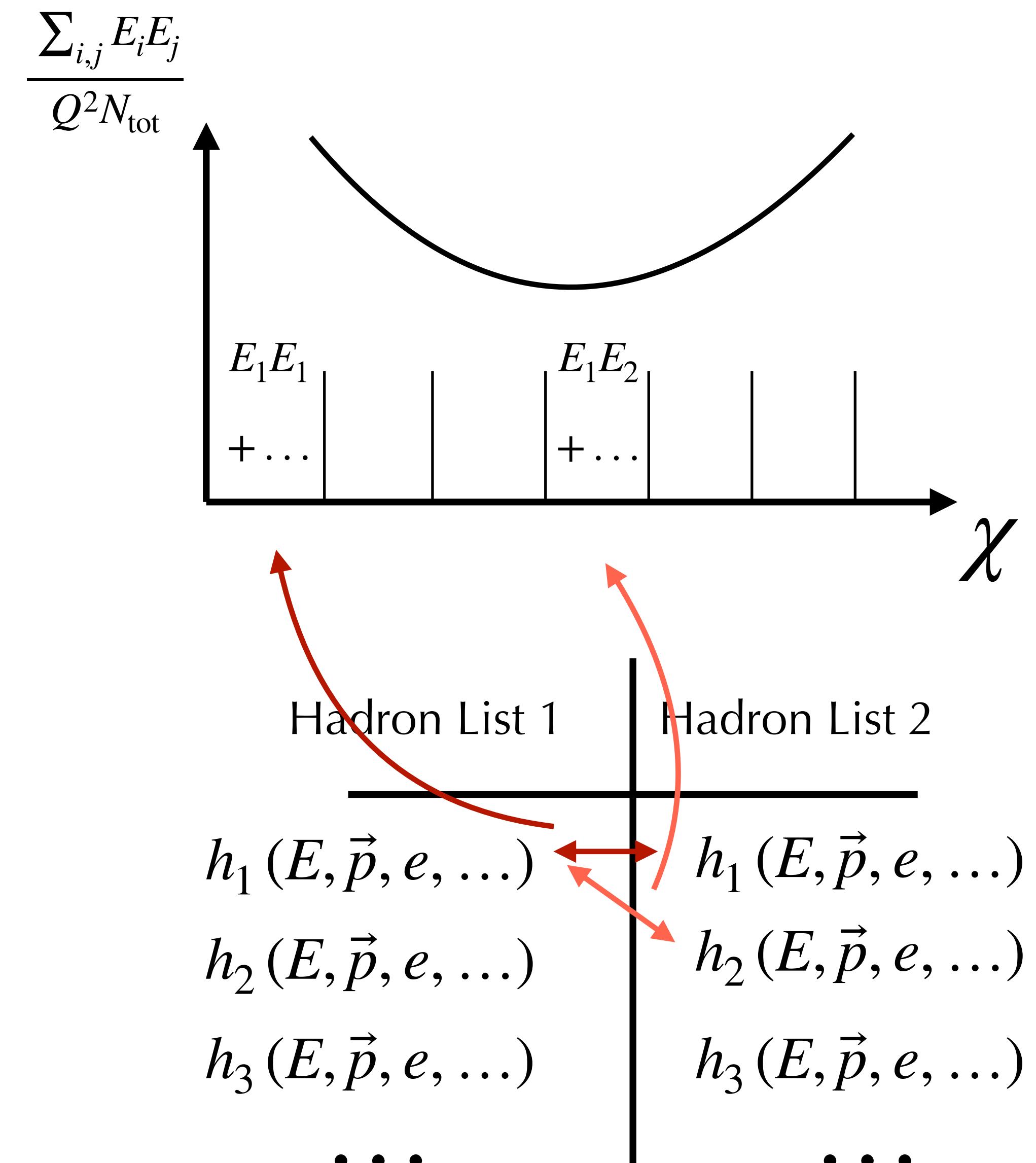
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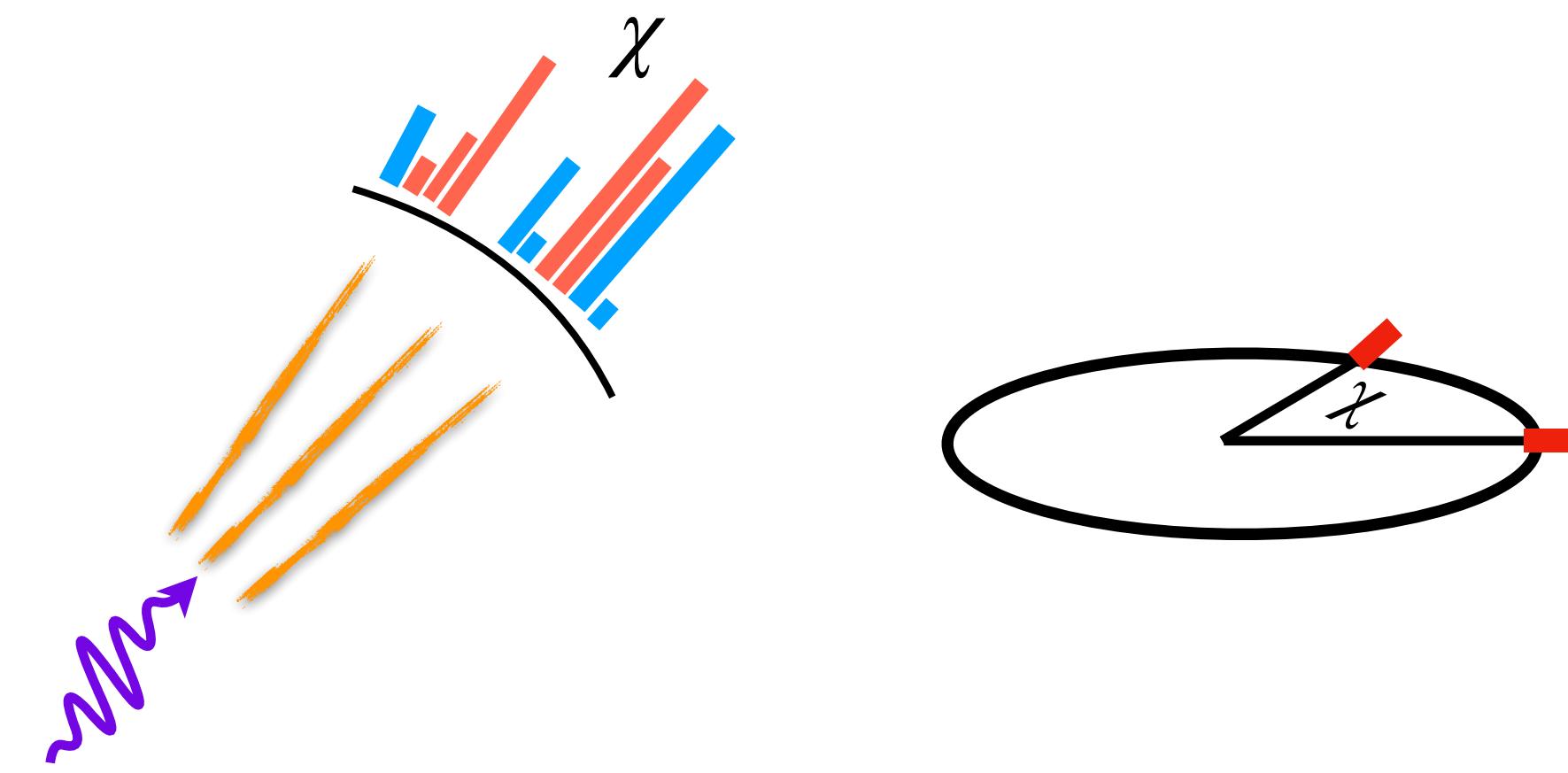
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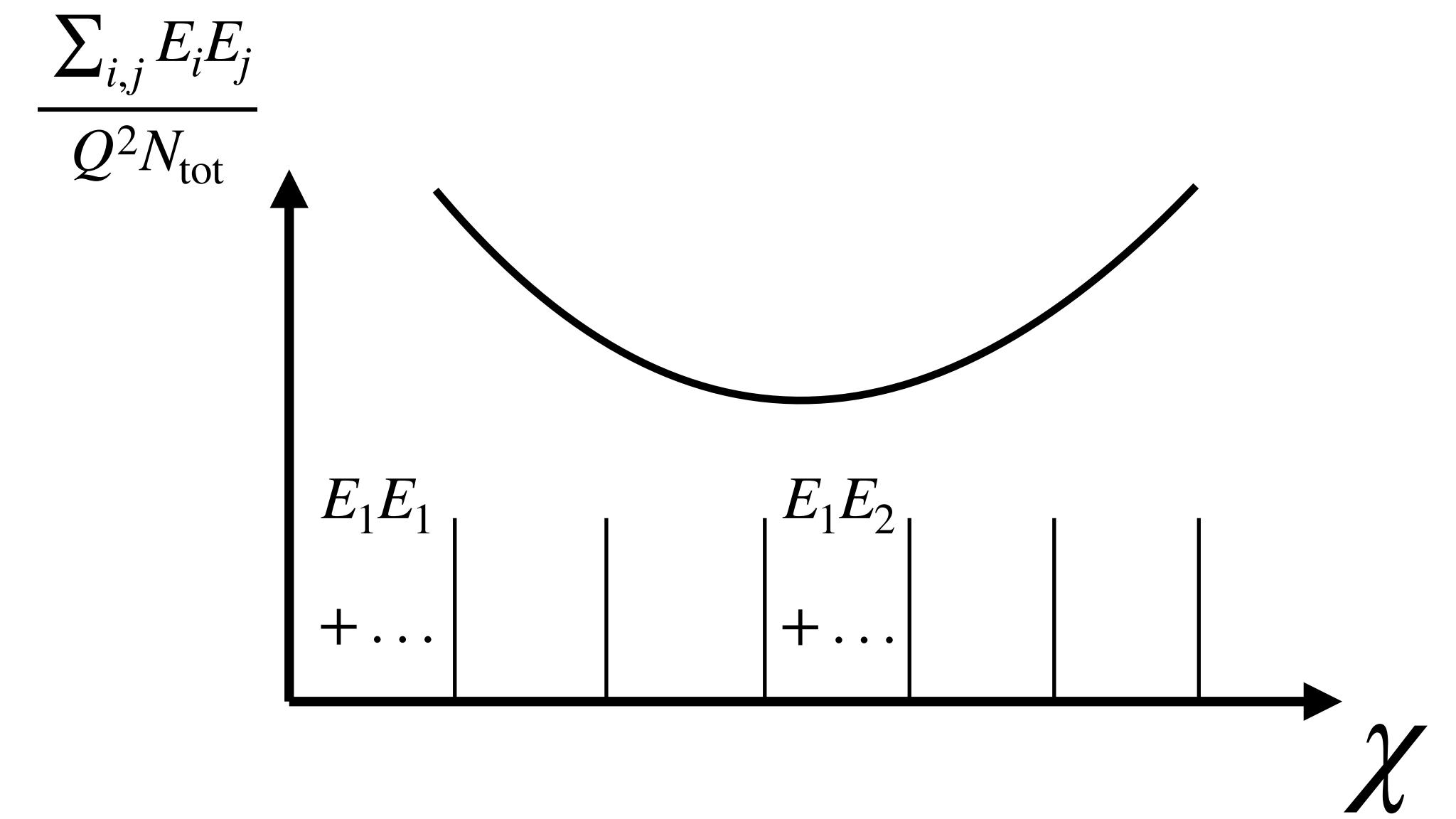
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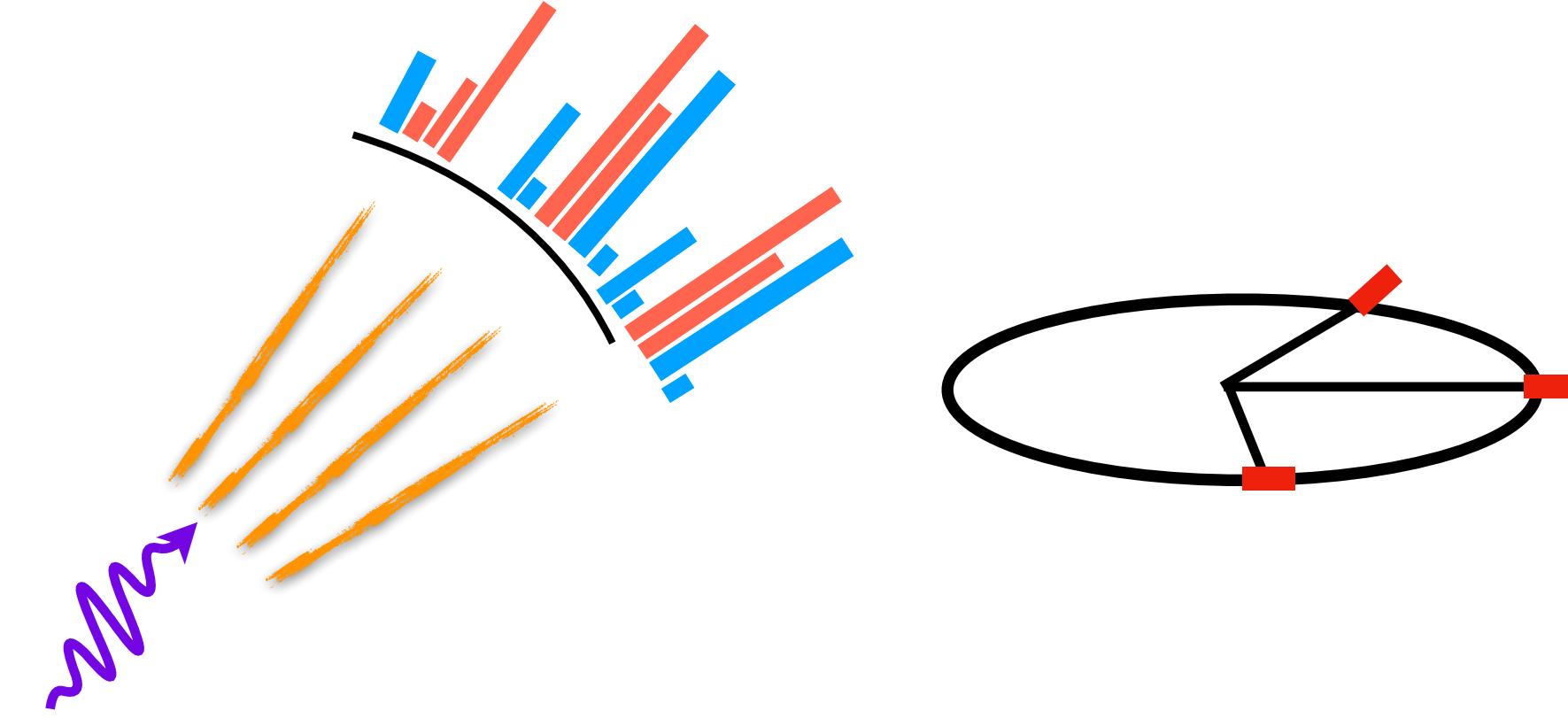
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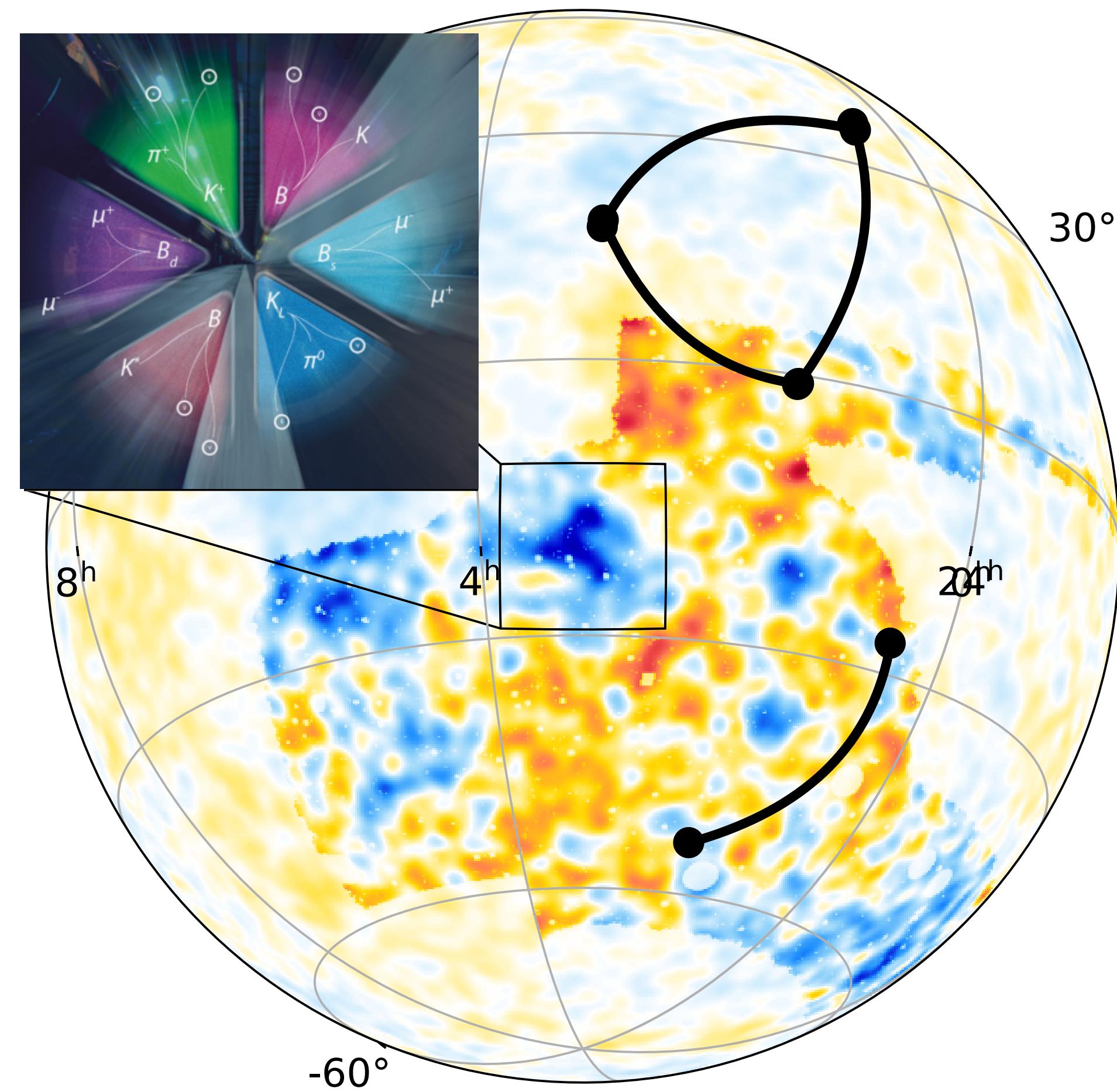
- Easy to implement and nature, “**Jet w/o jet**”
- Energy weight suppresses the soft contamination
- Infrared-collinear safe, perturbatively understandable
- Can be measured within jet, can use tracks to improve angular resolution Li et al., PRL 22

Energy Correlators

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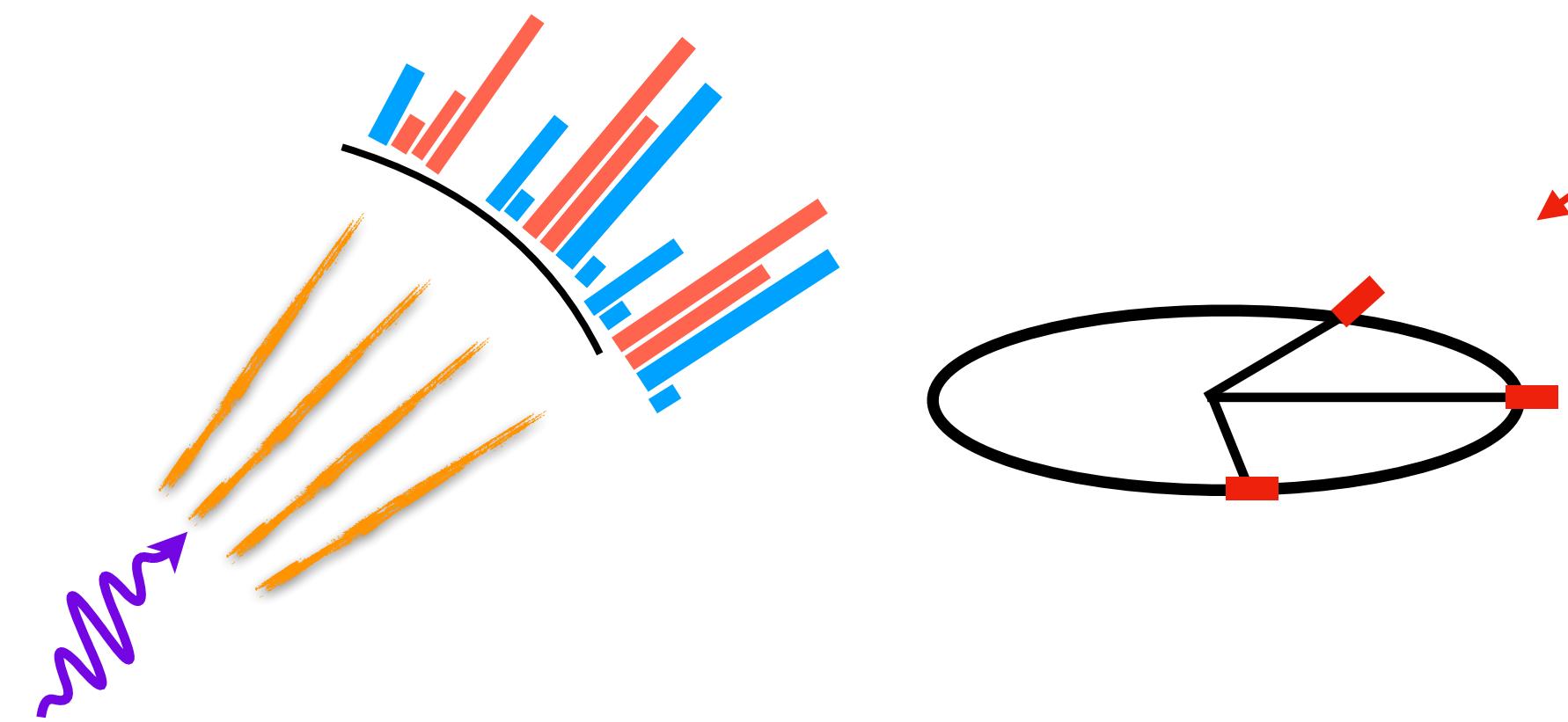
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- Can be generalized to multiple pt correlation, **a Collider CMB**
- Long/short wave physics \iff smaller/larger angular separations

Energy Correlators

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$$\mathcal{E}(n) = \int_0^\infty dt \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} T_{0\vec{n}}(t, \vec{n}r) r^2$$

detector represented by
the light-ray operator

$$\text{ENC} = \frac{1}{\sigma} \int d\sigma \sum \frac{E_1 E_2 \dots E_N}{Q^N} \mathcal{M}(\{\theta_{ij}\})$$

$$\propto \frac{1}{Q^N} \langle \mathcal{E}(n_1) \dots \mathcal{E}(n_N) \rangle_J$$

- A Dual description
- Measuring a “fundamental” quantity in QFT

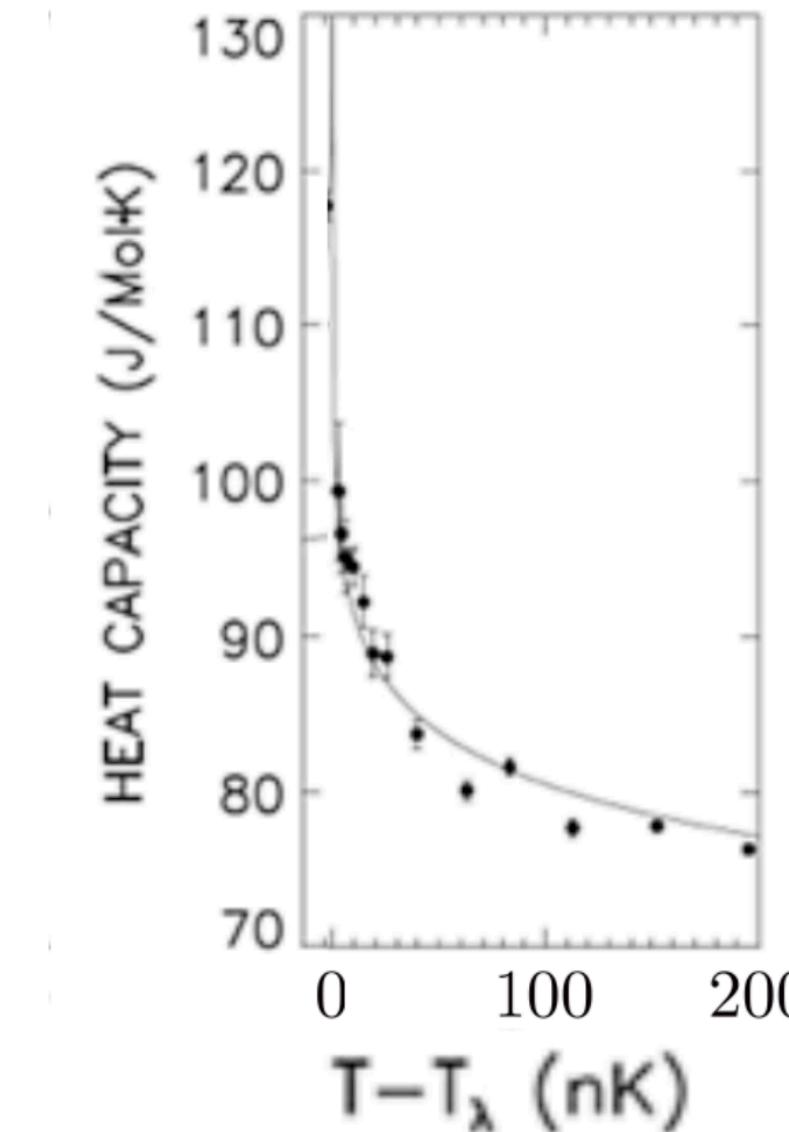
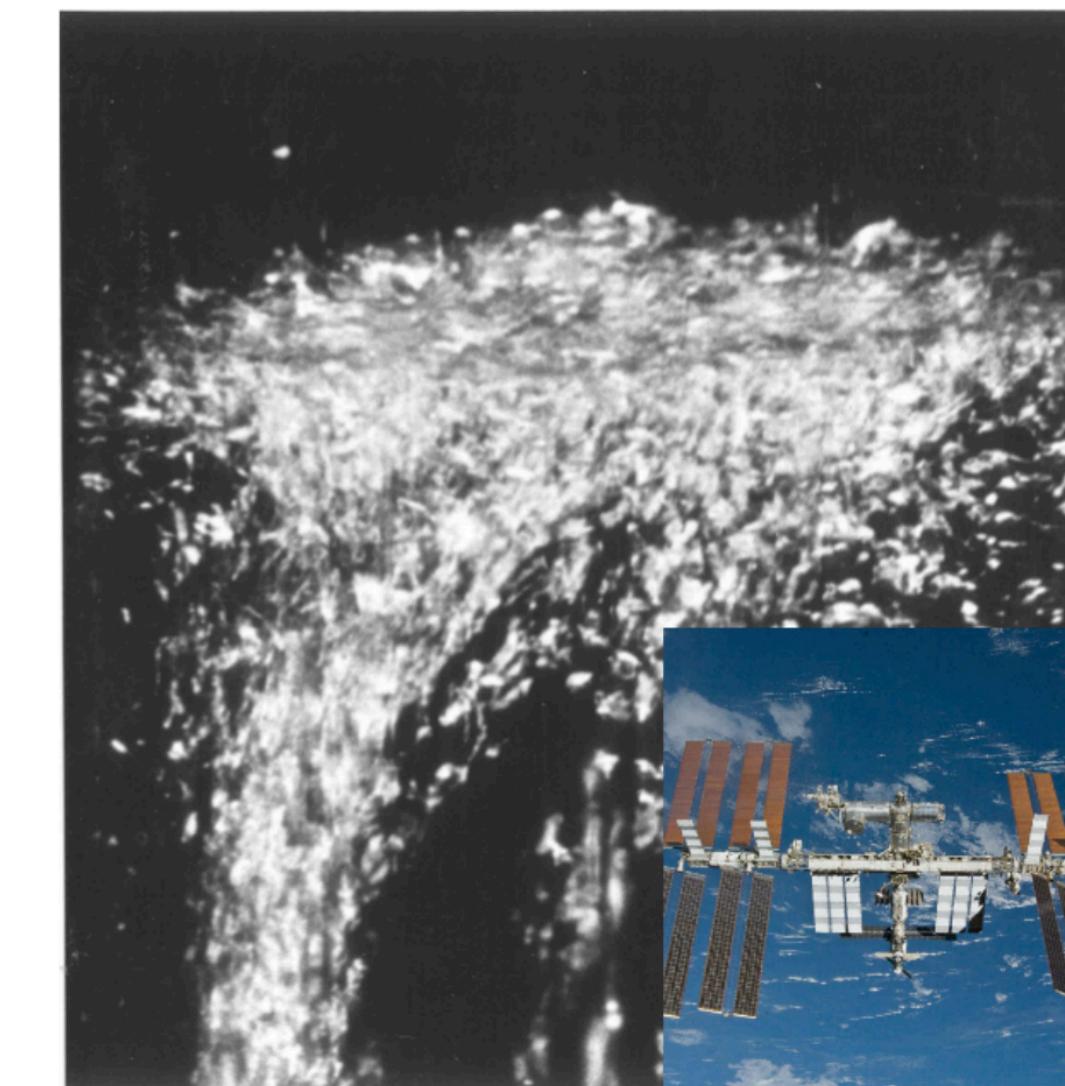
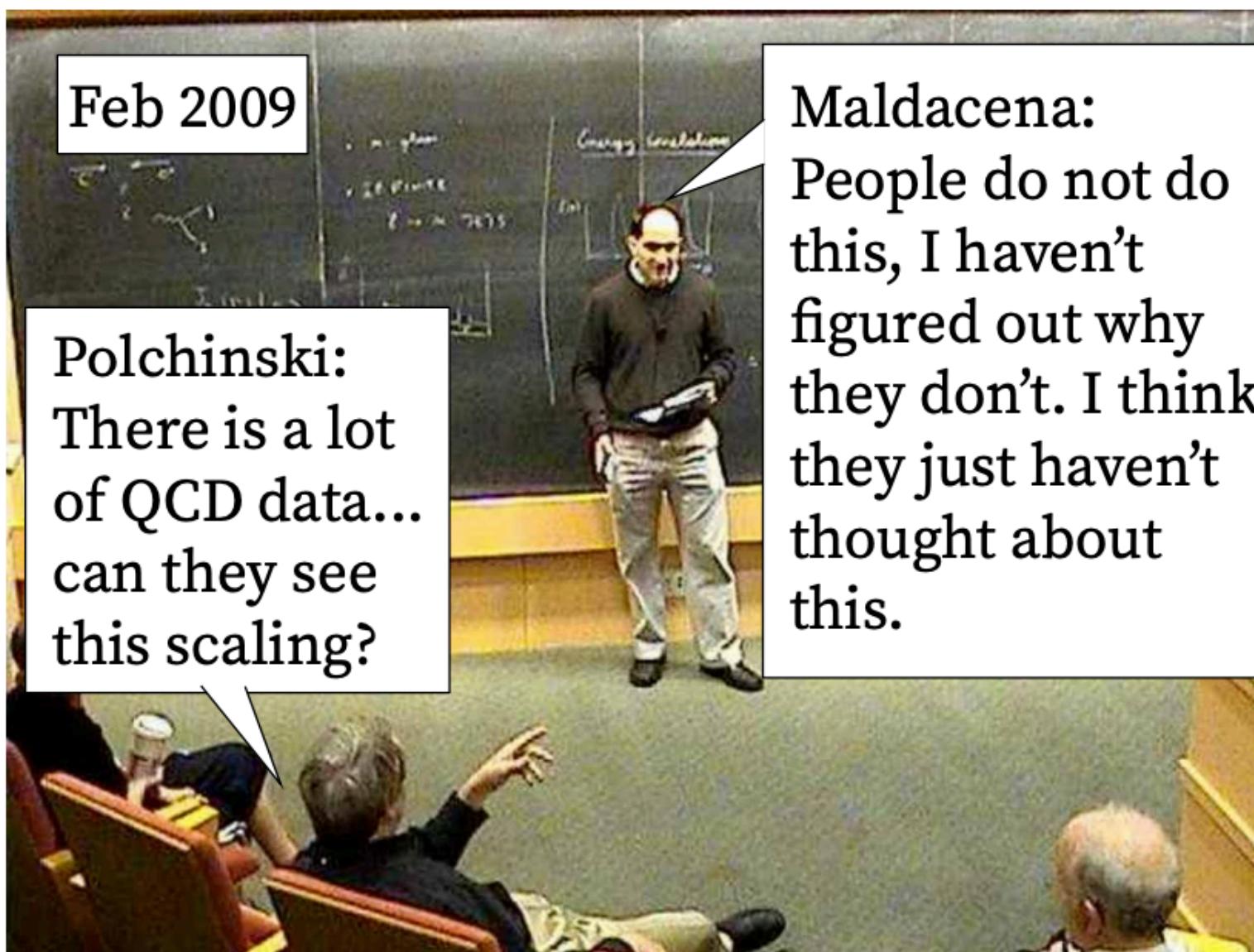
Collider Phenomenology

Conformal collider physics:
Energy and charge correlations

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$$\mathcal{E}(n_1)\mathcal{E}(n_2) \sim \theta^{-1+\gamma} \mathcal{O}, \theta \ll 1, Q\theta \gg \Lambda_{QCD}$$

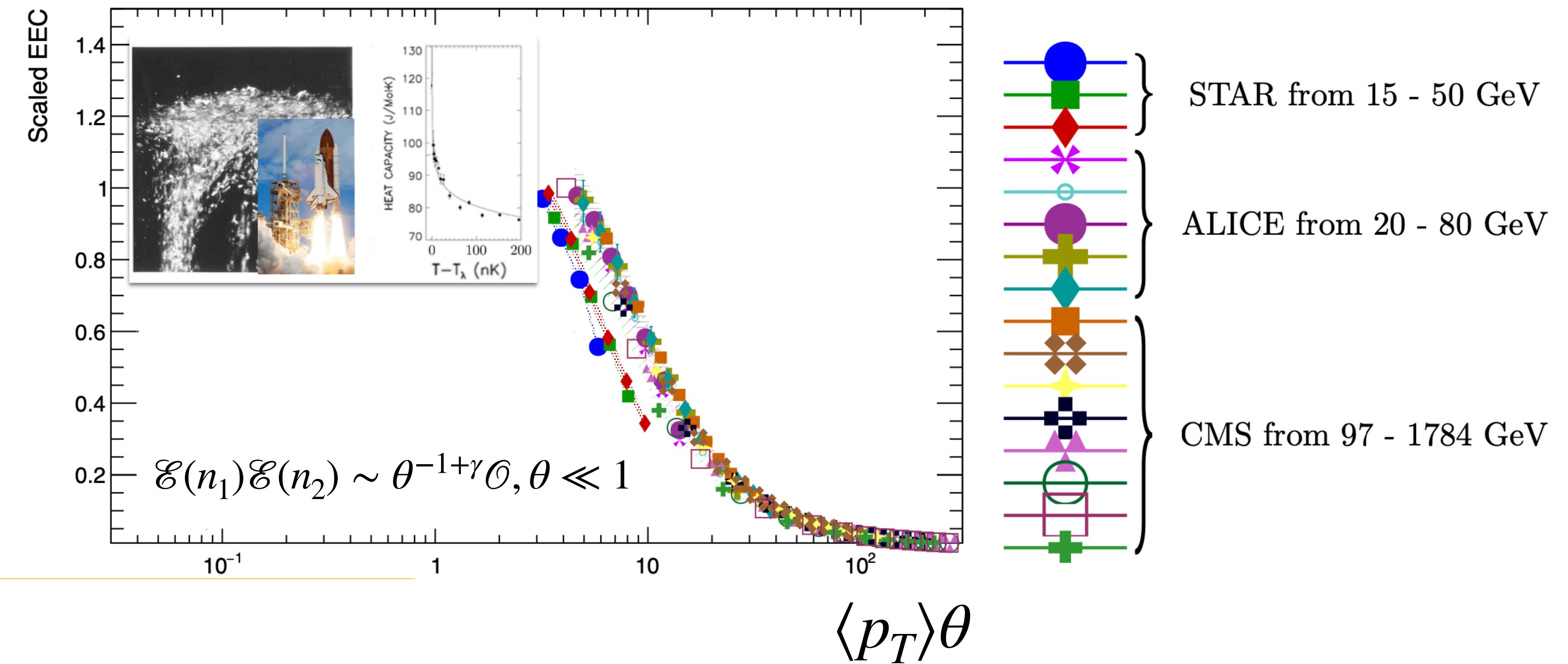
Universal Scaling rule by conformal theory

Hofman, Maldecena, 2008

Derived using factorization for QCD by Dixon, Moult, Zhu, 2019

Collider Phenomenology

When Conformal meets Collider

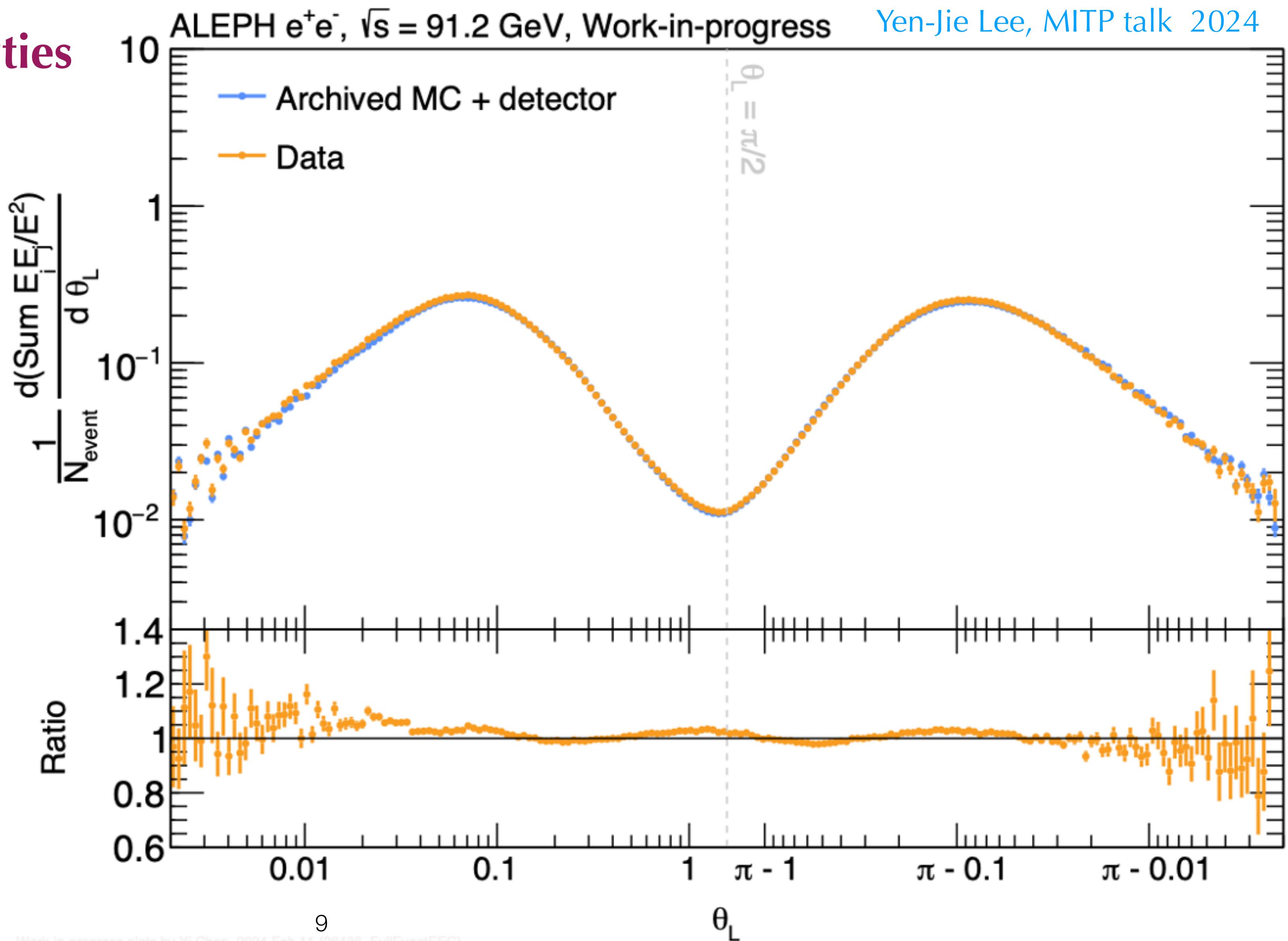


Confirmed by Collider experiments, across a large range of energies

Collider Phenomenology

The Full Spectrum and Properties

- Tracks for good angular resolution
- Different angles probe **different physics@ $Q\theta$**

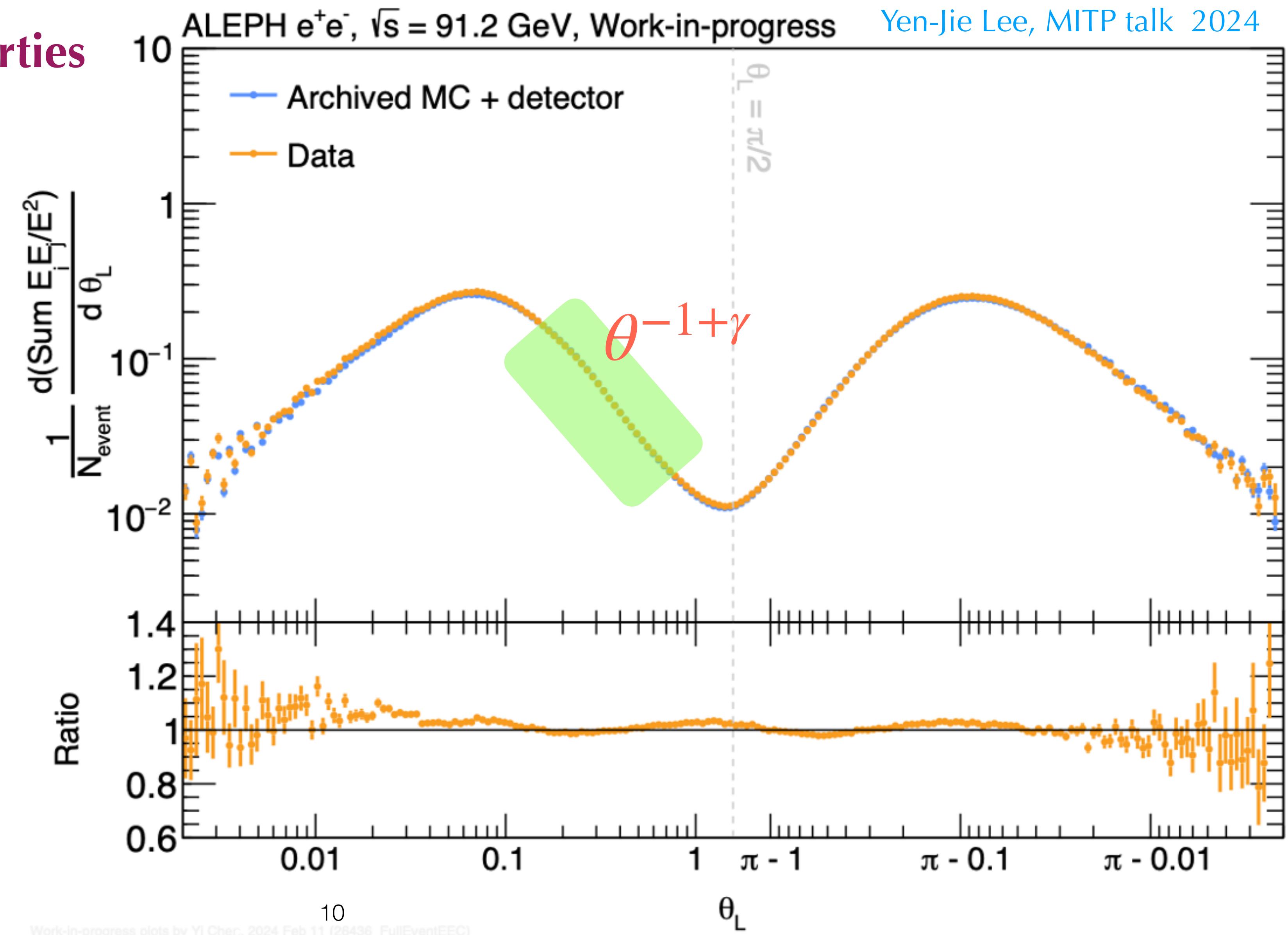
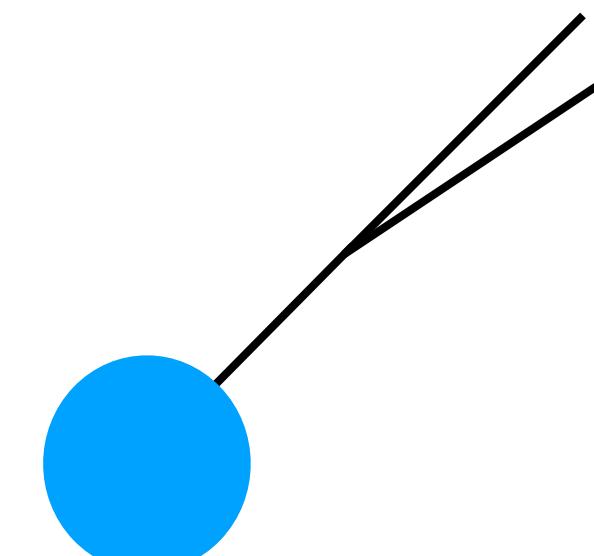


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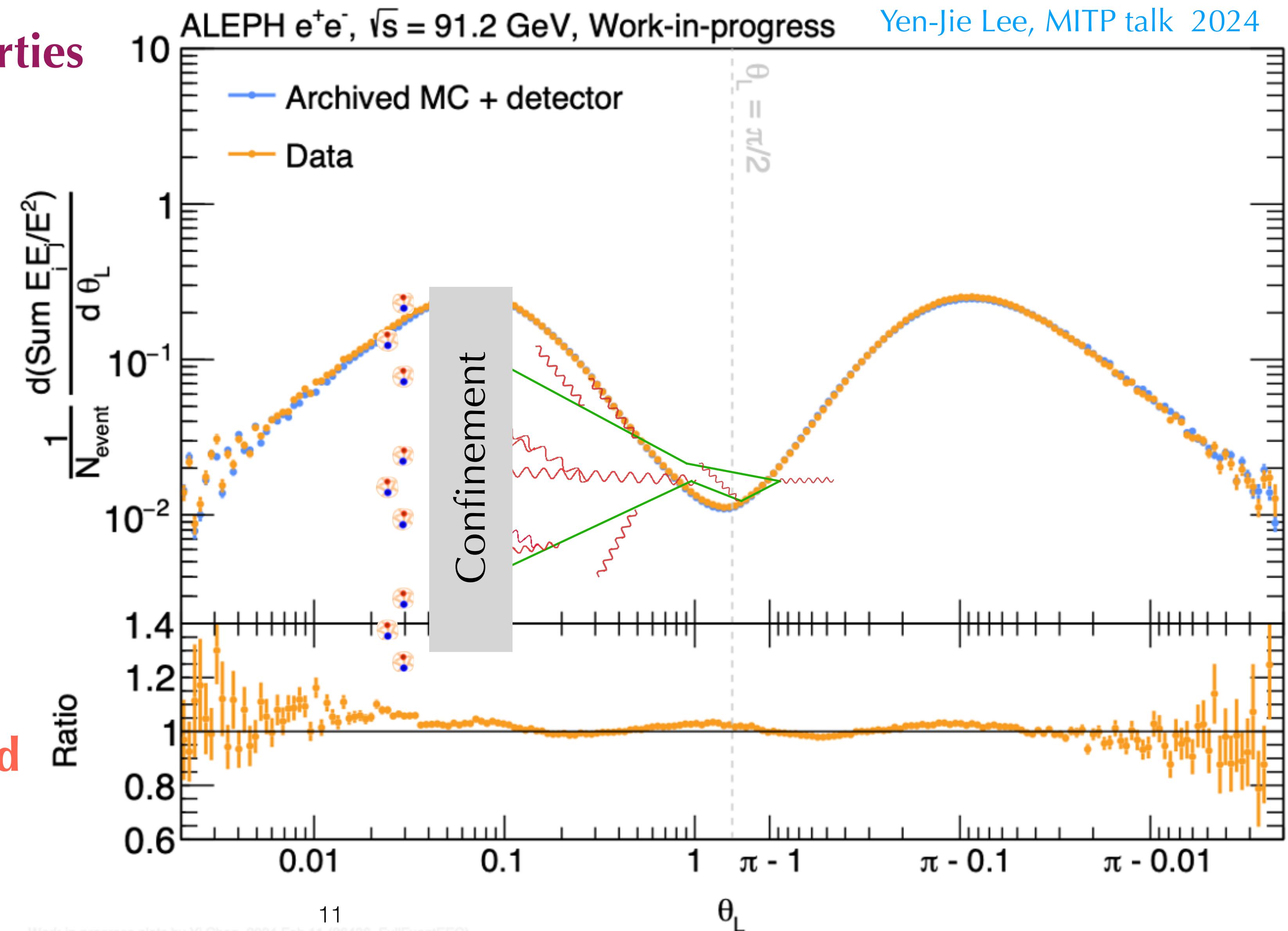
- Striking phase transition from parton to free hadron

$$d \cos \theta \sim \theta d\theta \implies \Sigma \propto \theta d\sigma$$

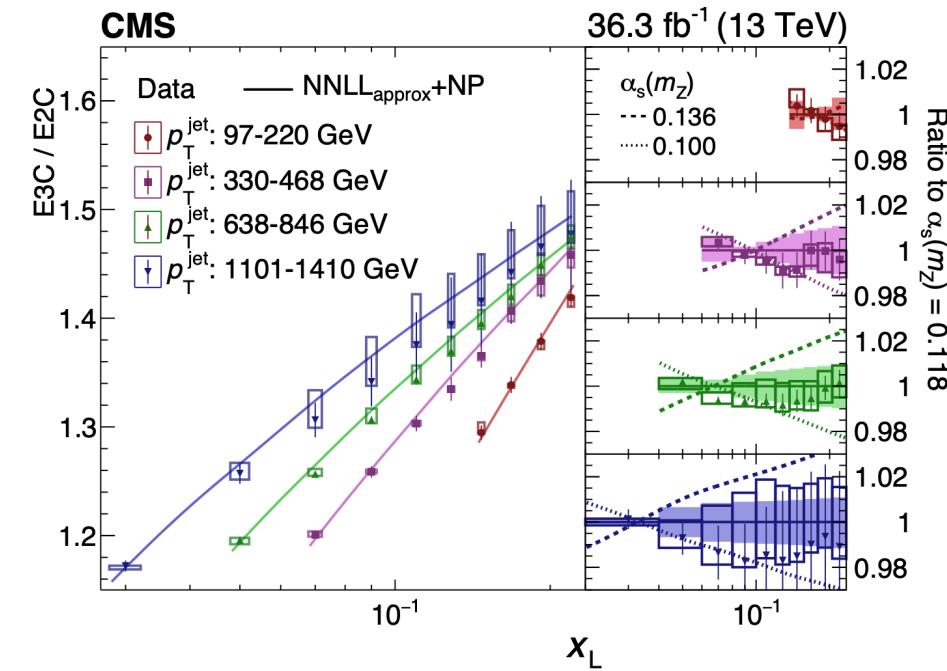
[Hofman, Maldecena, 2008](#)

[Komiske, Moult, Thaler, Zhu, PRL 23](#)

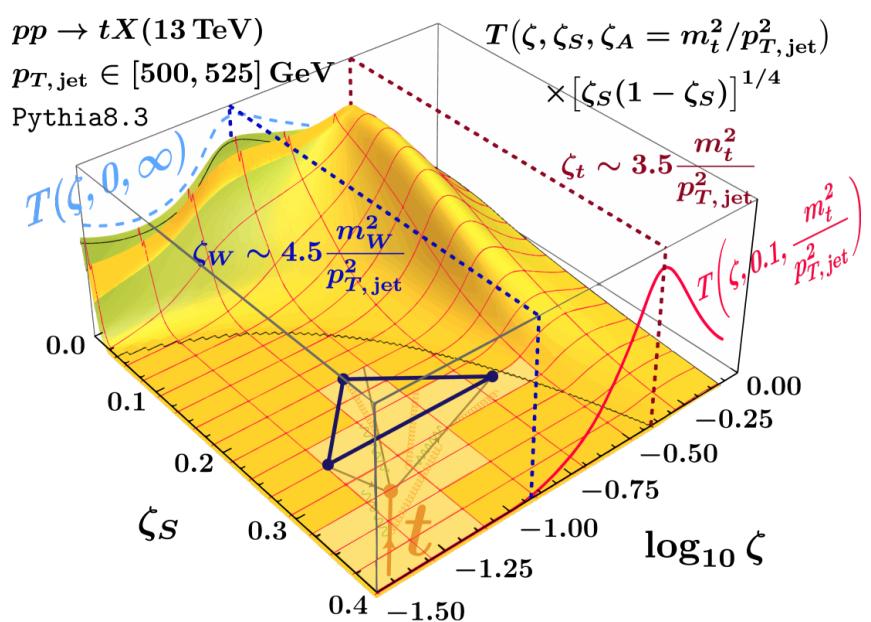
- **Intrinsic scale imprinted in the spectrum**



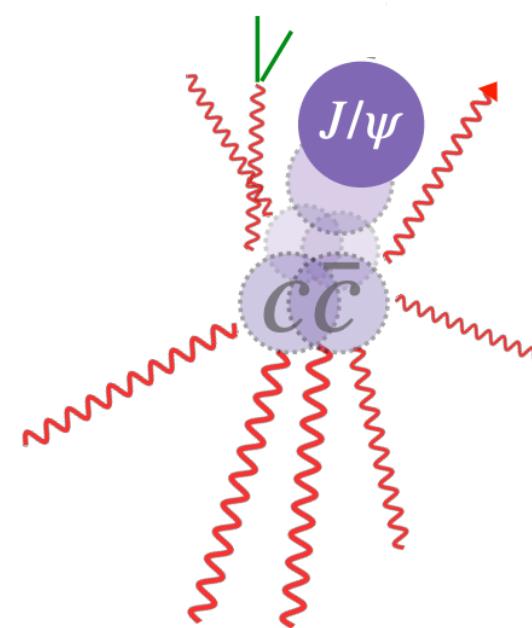
Collider Phenomenology



Scaling behavior $\implies \alpha_s$ extraction



Revealing scales \implies top mass determination



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See An-Ping Chen's talk

Collider Phenomenology: α_s extraction

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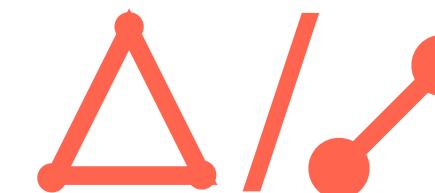
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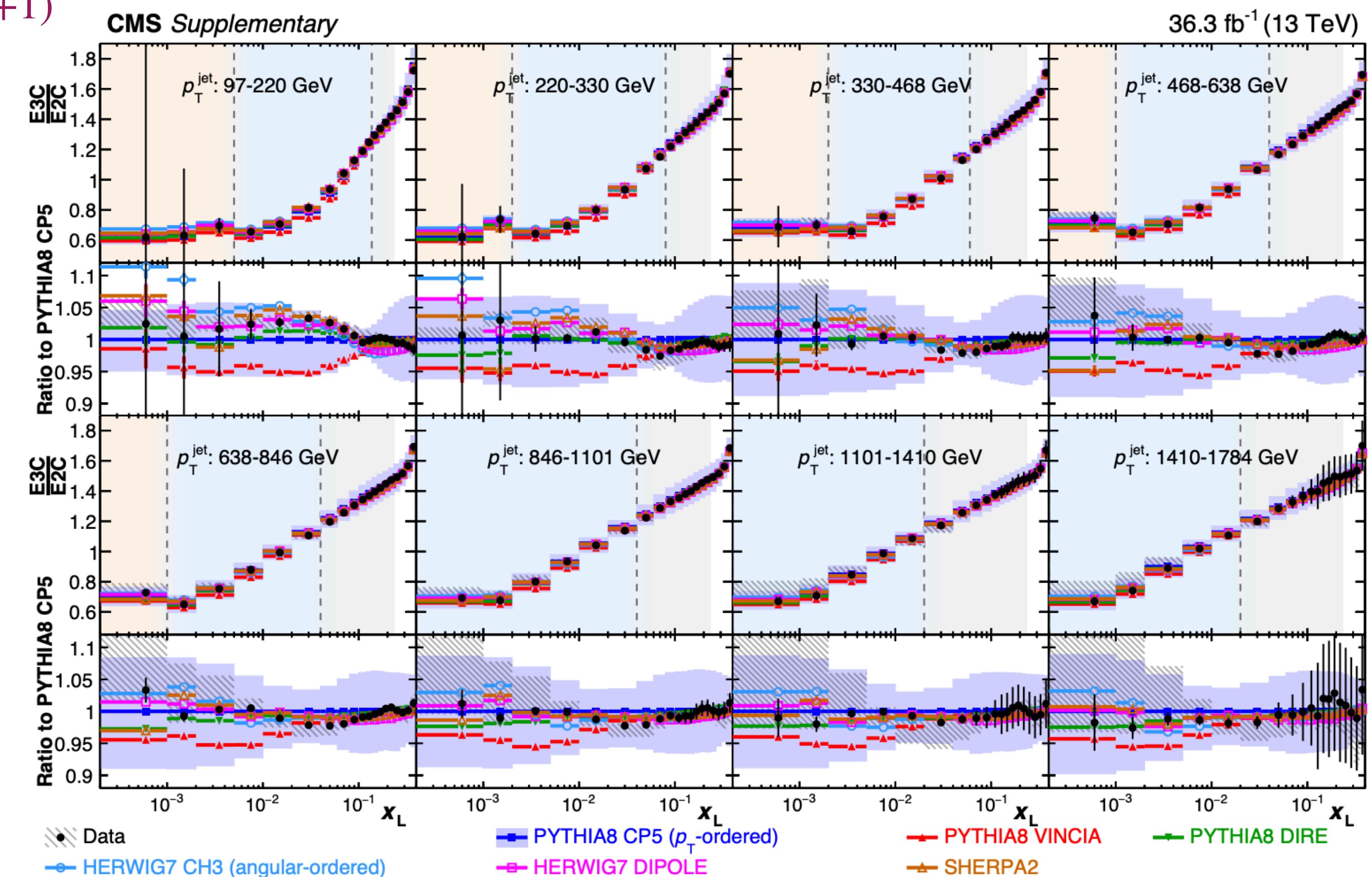
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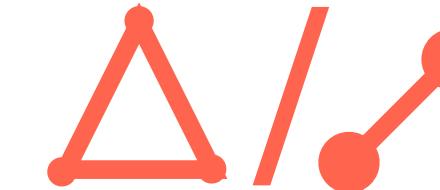
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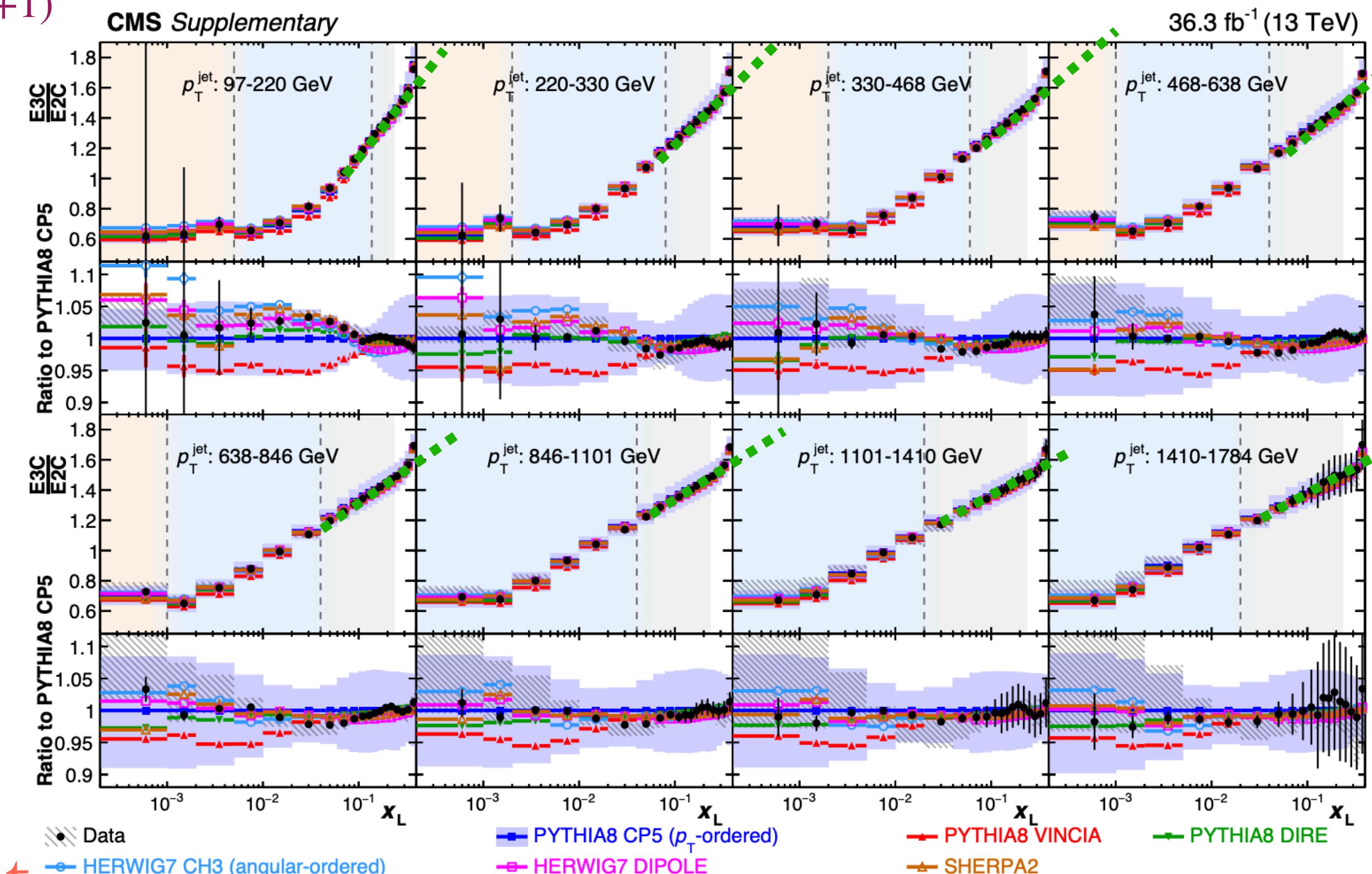
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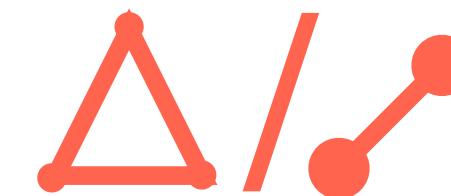
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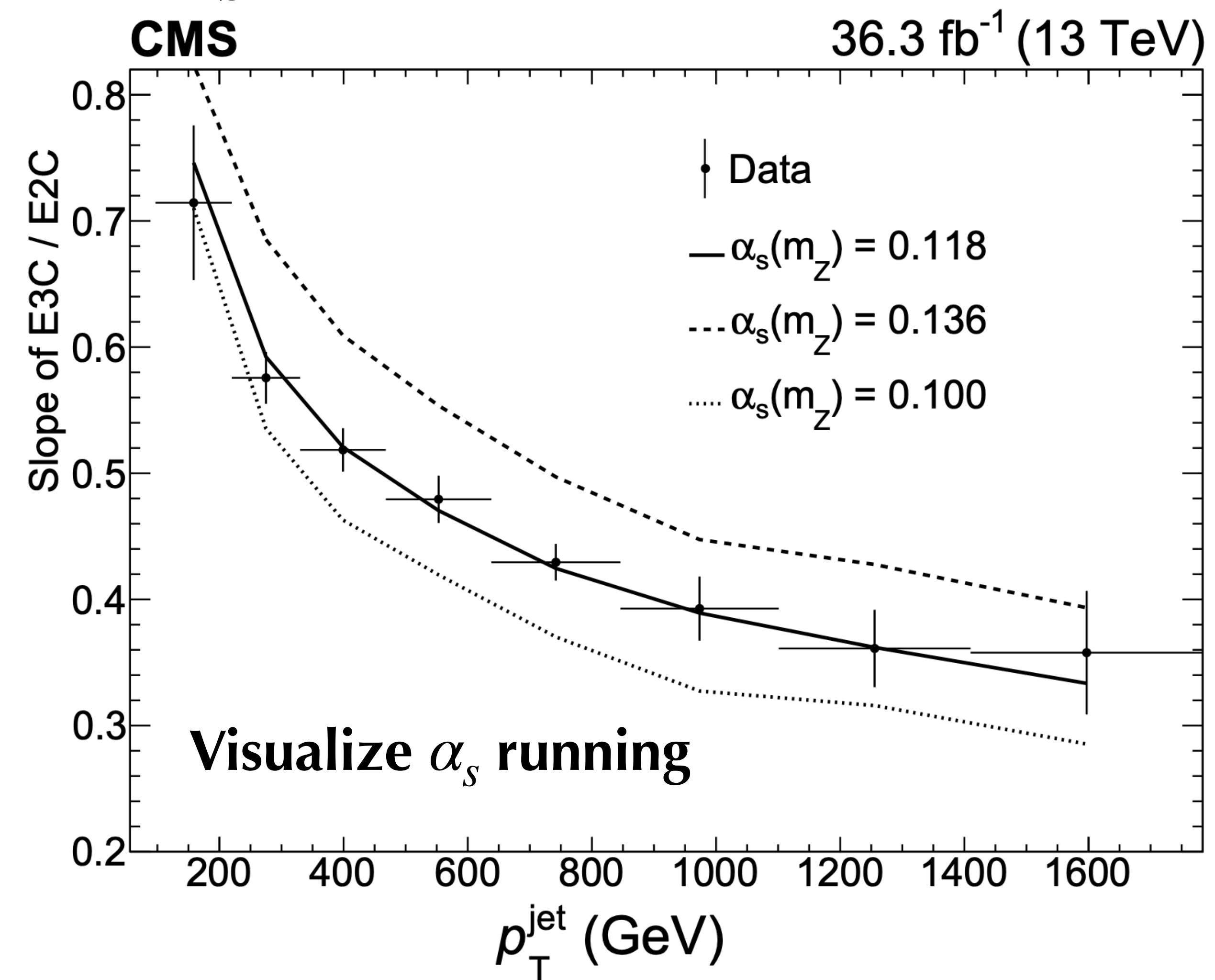
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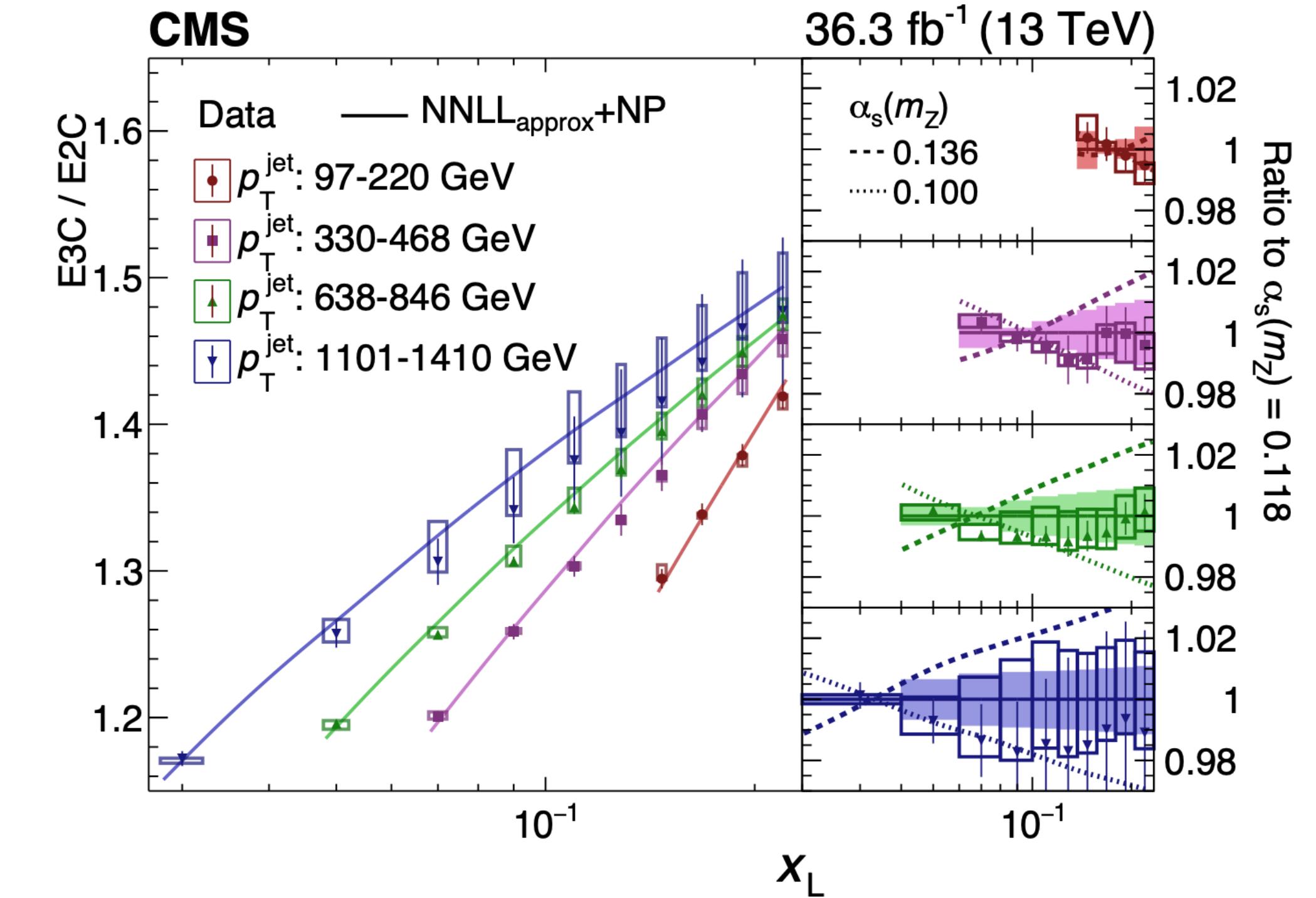
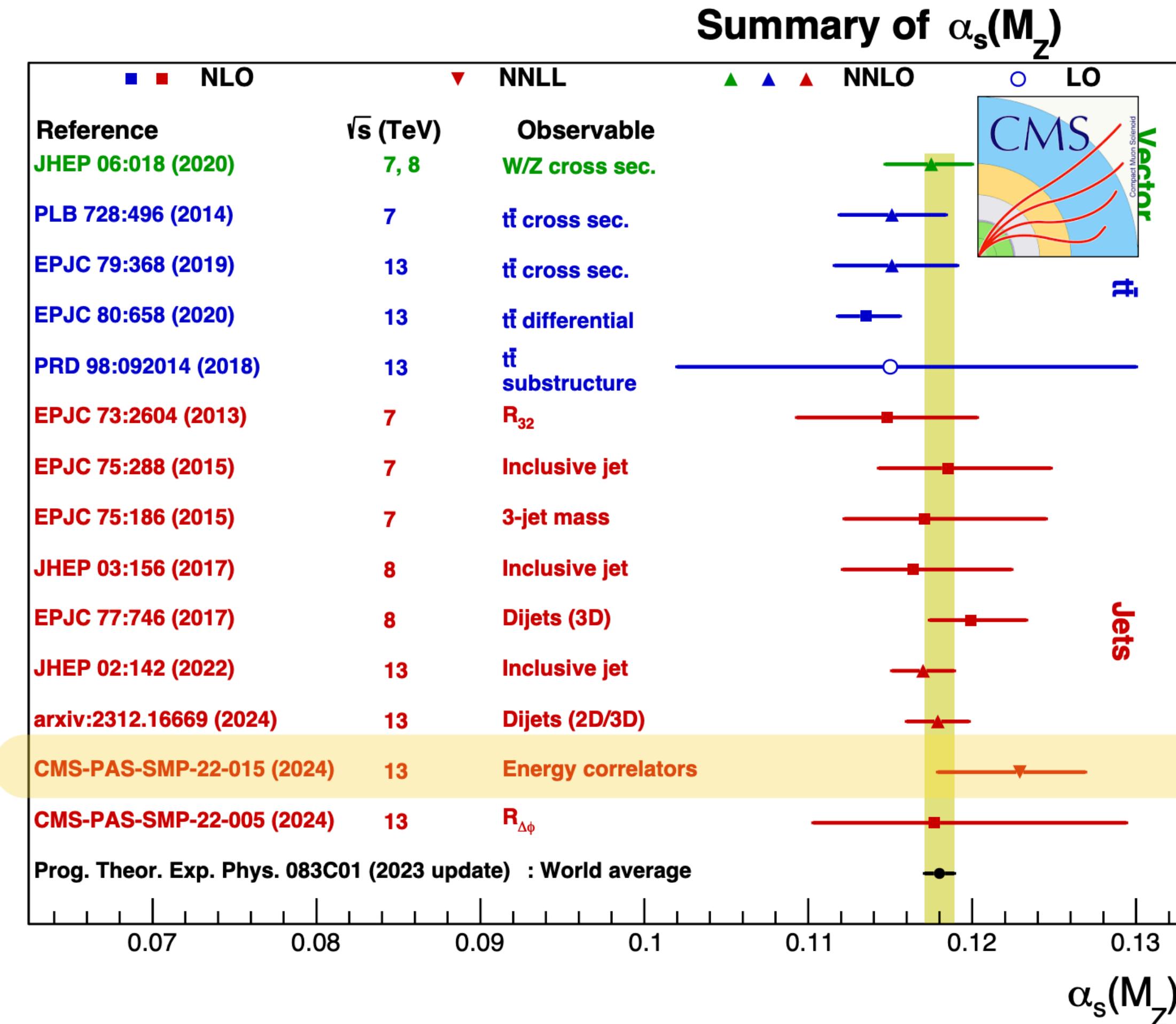
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NNLL from Chen et al. arXiv:2307.07510.

α_s extraction by the scaling behavior



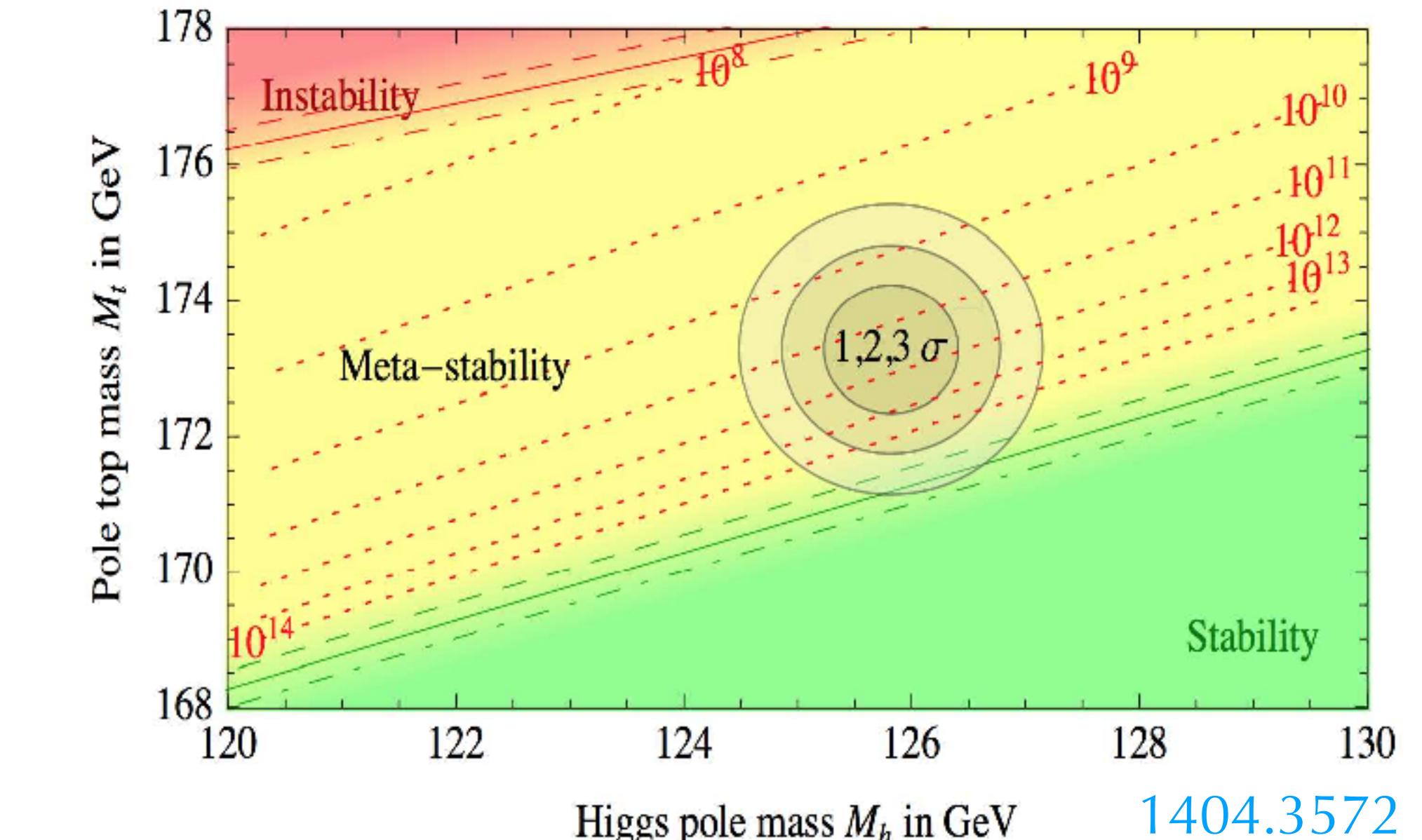
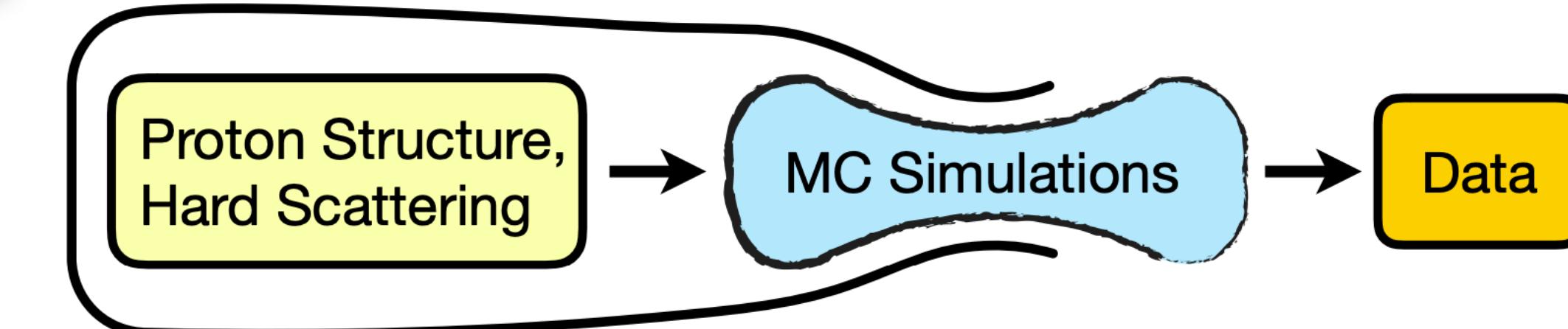
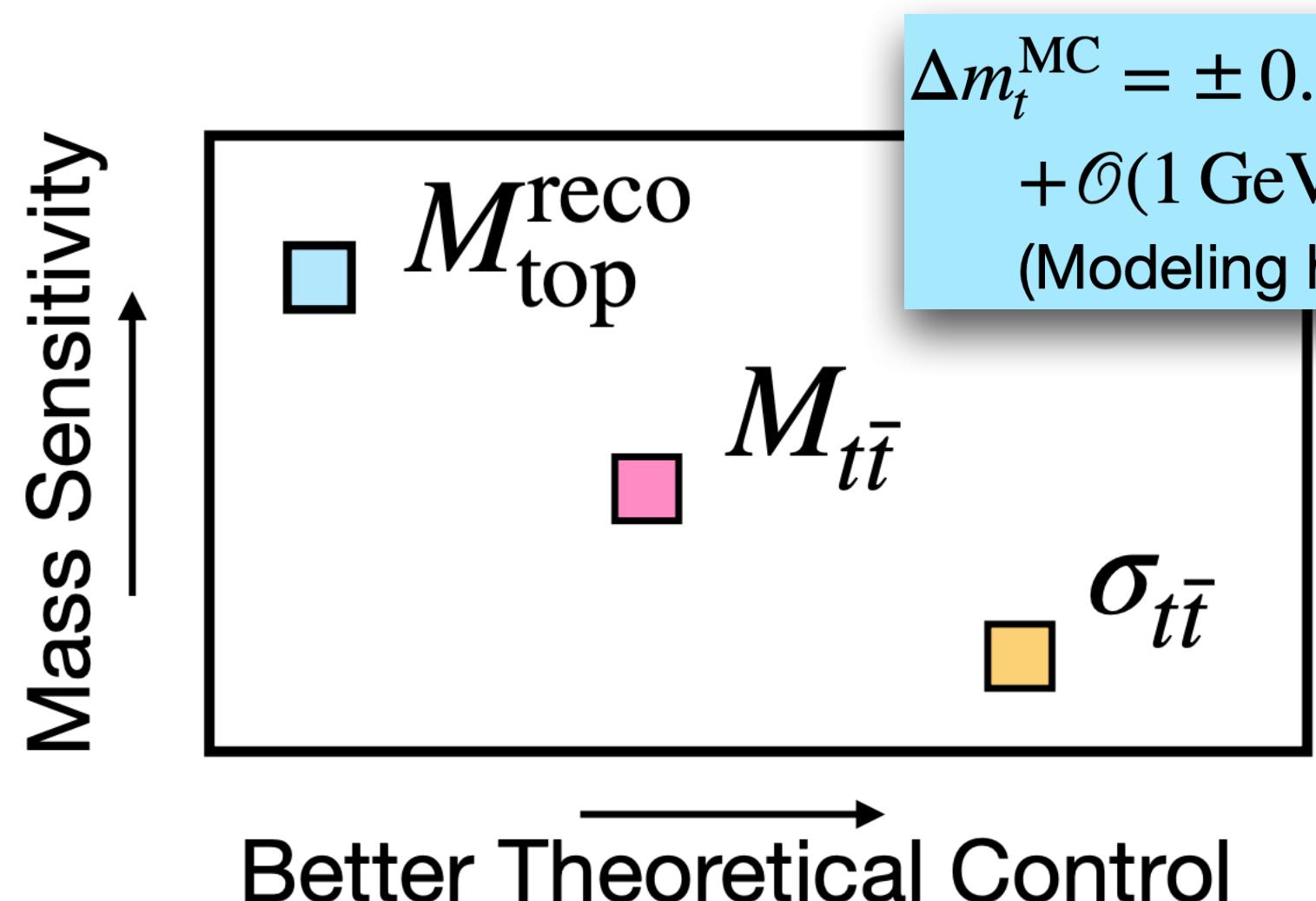
$$\alpha_s(m_Z) = 0.1229^{+0.0014(\text{stat.})+0.0030(\text{theo.})+0.0023(\text{exp.})}_{-0.0012(\text{stat.})-0.0033(\text{theo.})-0.0036(\text{exp.})}$$

- Scaling vs NNLL (no NNLO yet)
- 4% error, already the most precise α_s extraction using jet substructures (~10%)

Collider Phenomenology: weighing tops

Top mass

- one of the most important SM parameters. e.g. electroweak vacuum stability, electroweak fits, etc
- The current approaches by MC simulations present a bottleneck that limits precision.
- Call for a field definition clean measurement

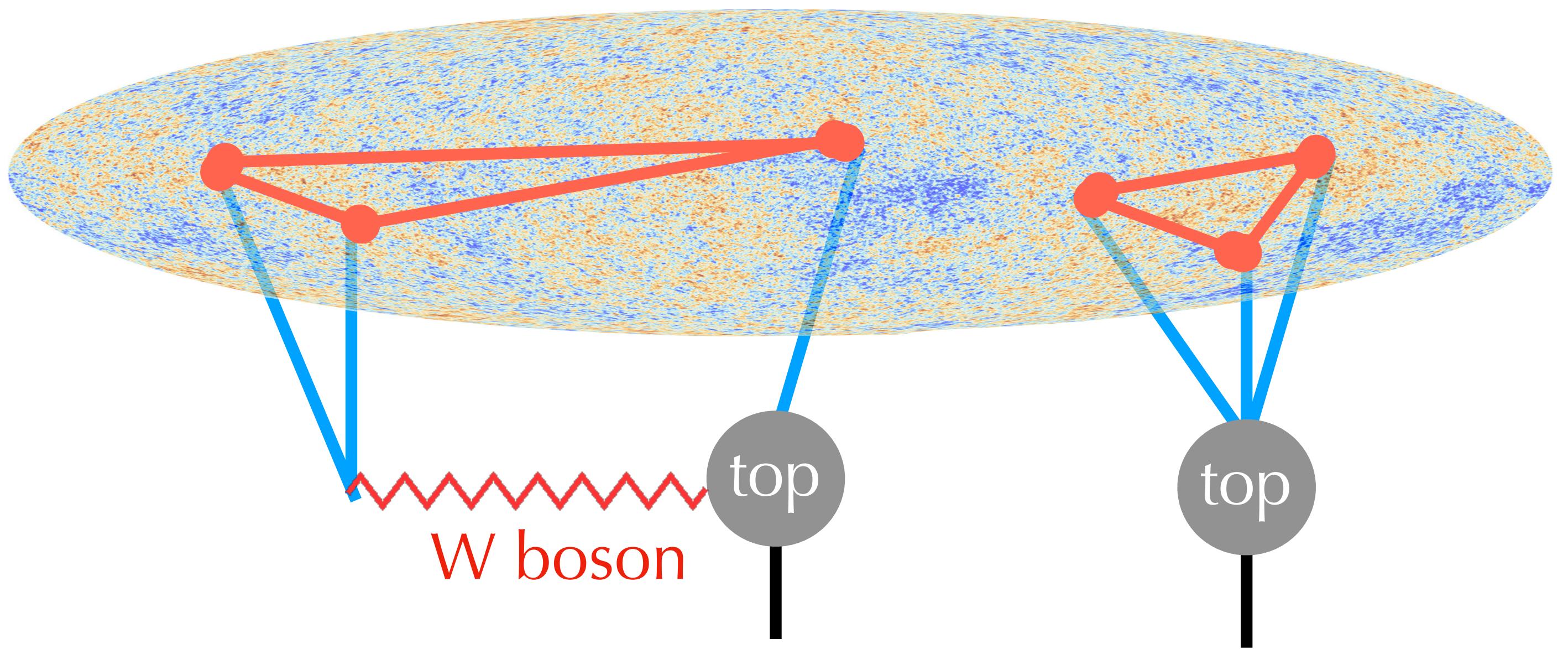


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Top mass scale in the E3C spectrum

Holguin et al, 2023

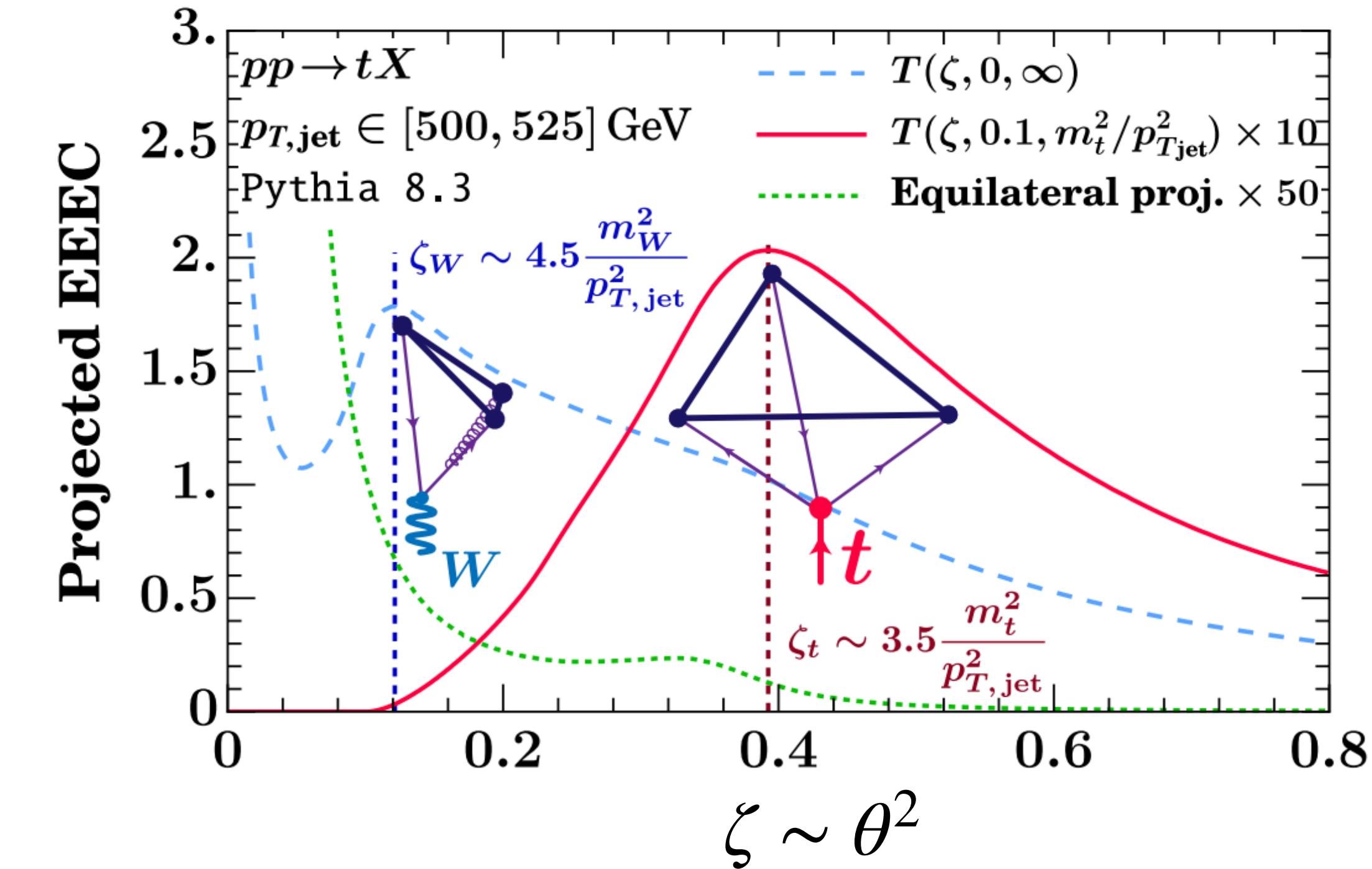
Xiao et al., 2024



$$\text{Squeeze limit, } \theta_W \sim \frac{m_W}{p_T}$$

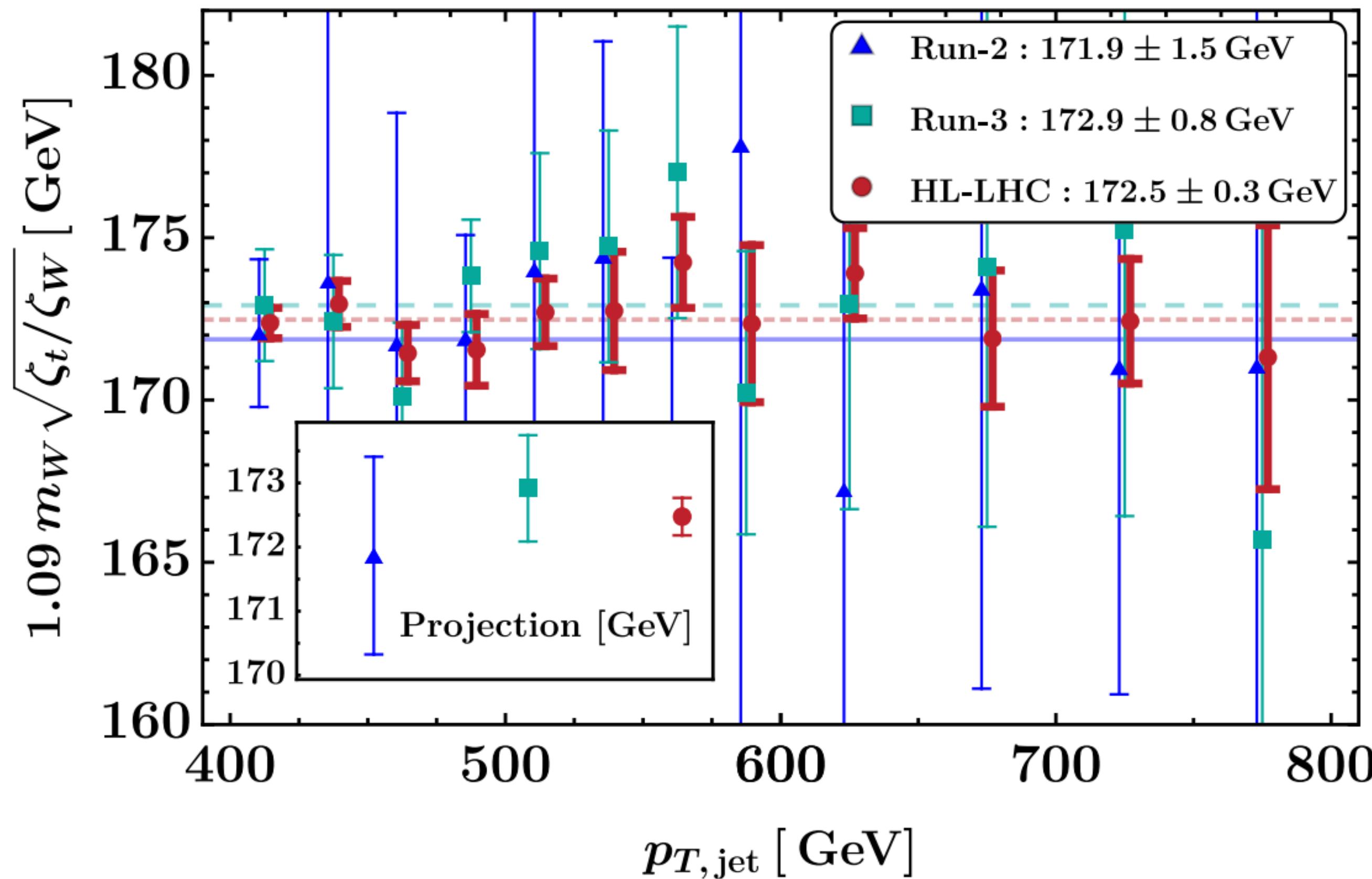
$$\text{Equilateral, } \theta_t \sim \frac{m_t}{p_T}$$

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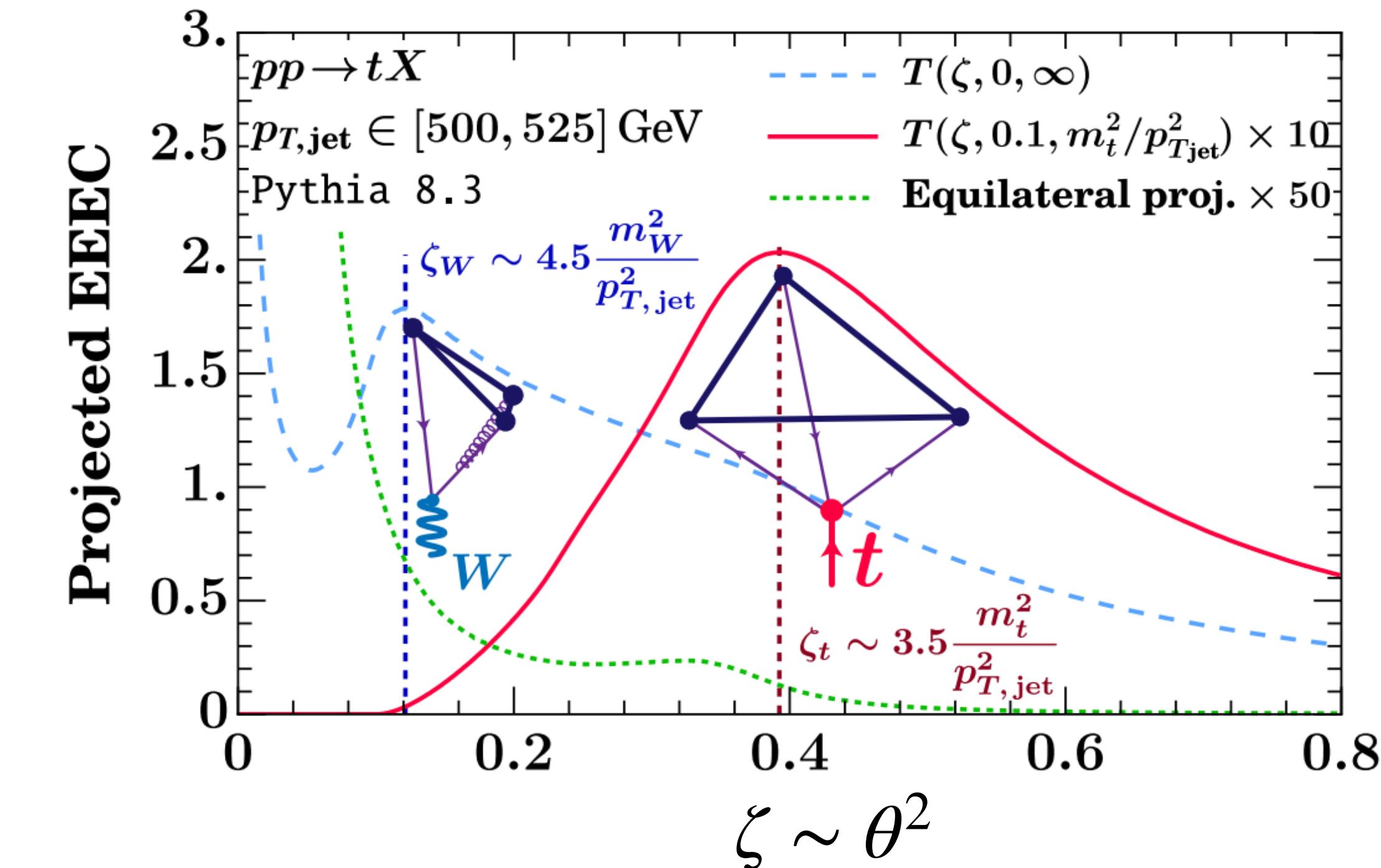


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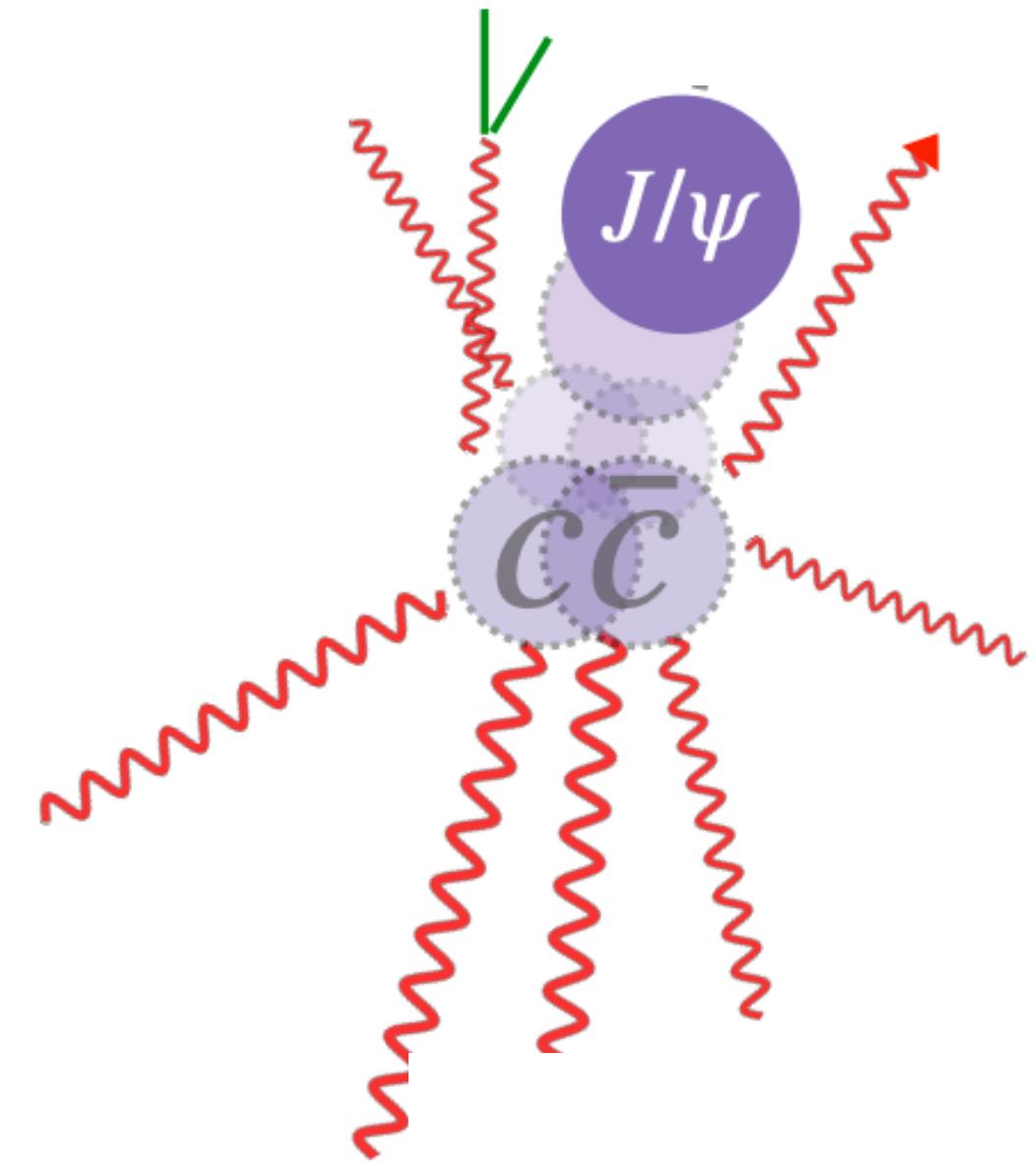


- Use W as a standard candle
- Can be calculated perturbatively
- Clean field definition, $\overline{\text{MS}}$ mass
- Call for precision calculation of E3C in top decay

Collider Phenomenology: heavy quark hadronization

Quarkonium Physics

- regarded as an excellent place to study non-pert phenomenon for a long time
- How $c\bar{c} \rightarrow J/\psi$?
 - NRQCD: encoded in $\langle \mathcal{O}_1 \rangle, \langle \mathcal{O}_8 \rangle$
 - remains largely unknown: amount of energy released? Energy Distribution?



Collider Phenomenology: heavy quark hadronization

Quarkonium Physics

Probing Quarkonium Production Mechanisms with Jet Substructure

Matthew Baumgart^{a,1}, Adam K. Leibovich^{b,2}, Thomas Mehen^{c,3} and Ira Z. Rothstein^{d,1}

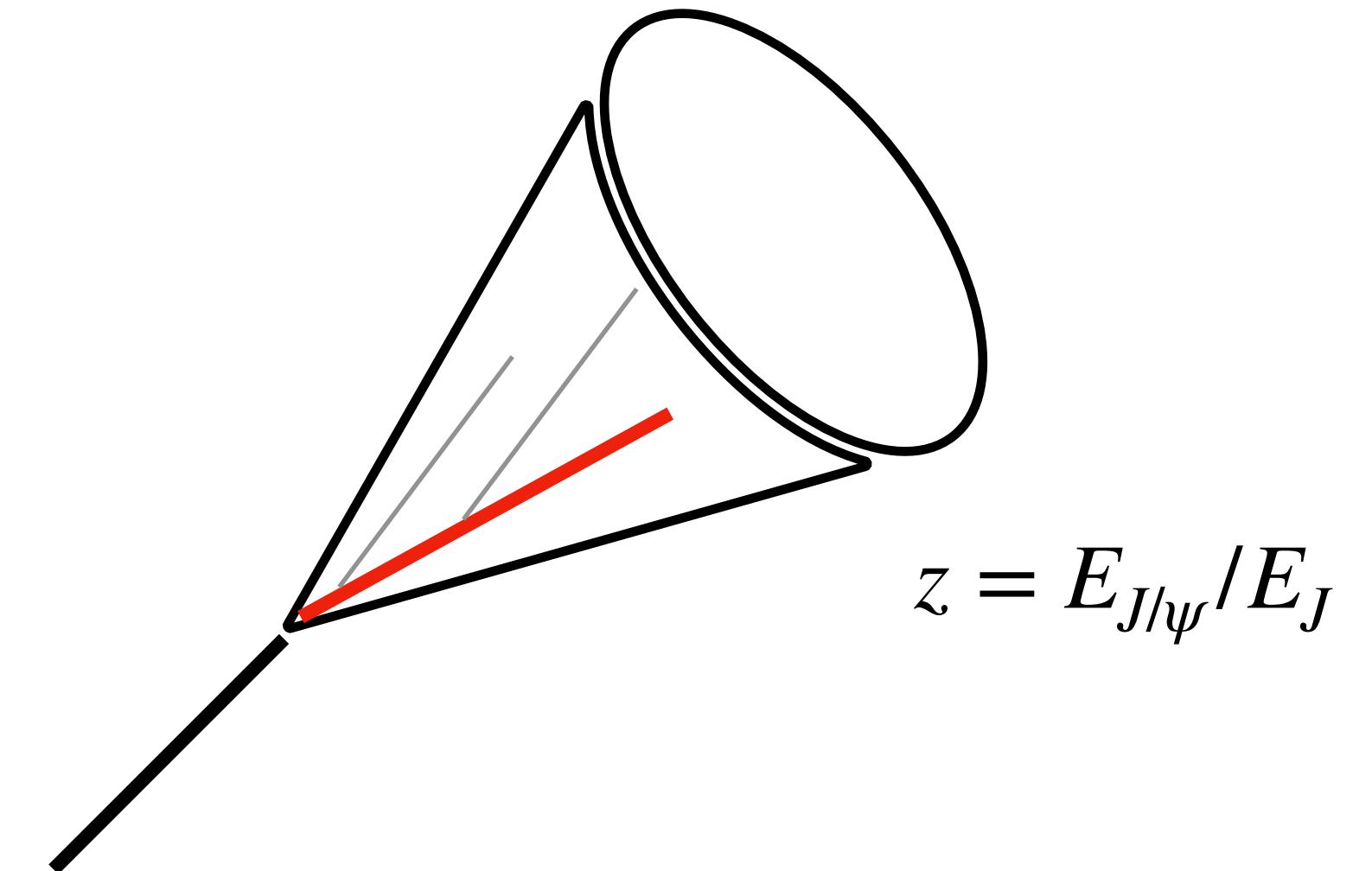
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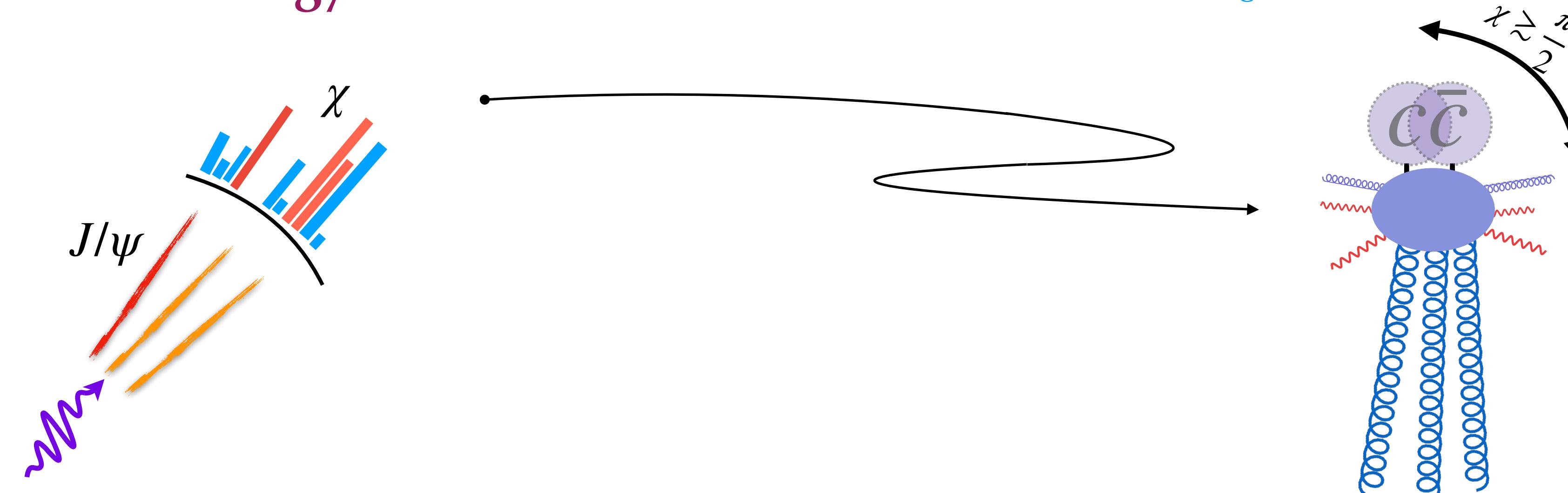
(Dated: June 27, 2018)



Unlike light hadron fragmentation, $D_{q \rightarrow J/\psi}(z)$ dominated by perturbative radiation

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Quarkonium Energy Correlator Chen, XL, Ma, PRL 2024, See An-Ping Chen's talk



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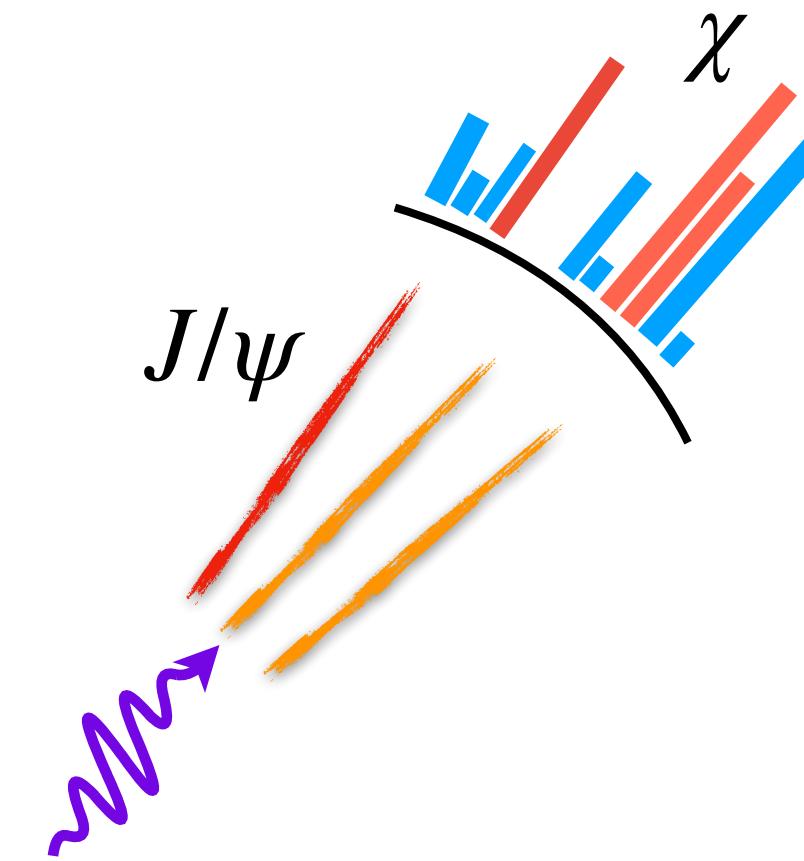
~ average energy at the angle χ

$$E_{J_{near}} \sim E_s \sim \mathcal{O}(M), E_{J_{away}} \sim \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\hat{s}}{2M}\right)$$

- Perturbative radiations depleted in the neighbor of J/ψ , due to the boost and dead cone effects
- An ideal place to look for hadronization energy

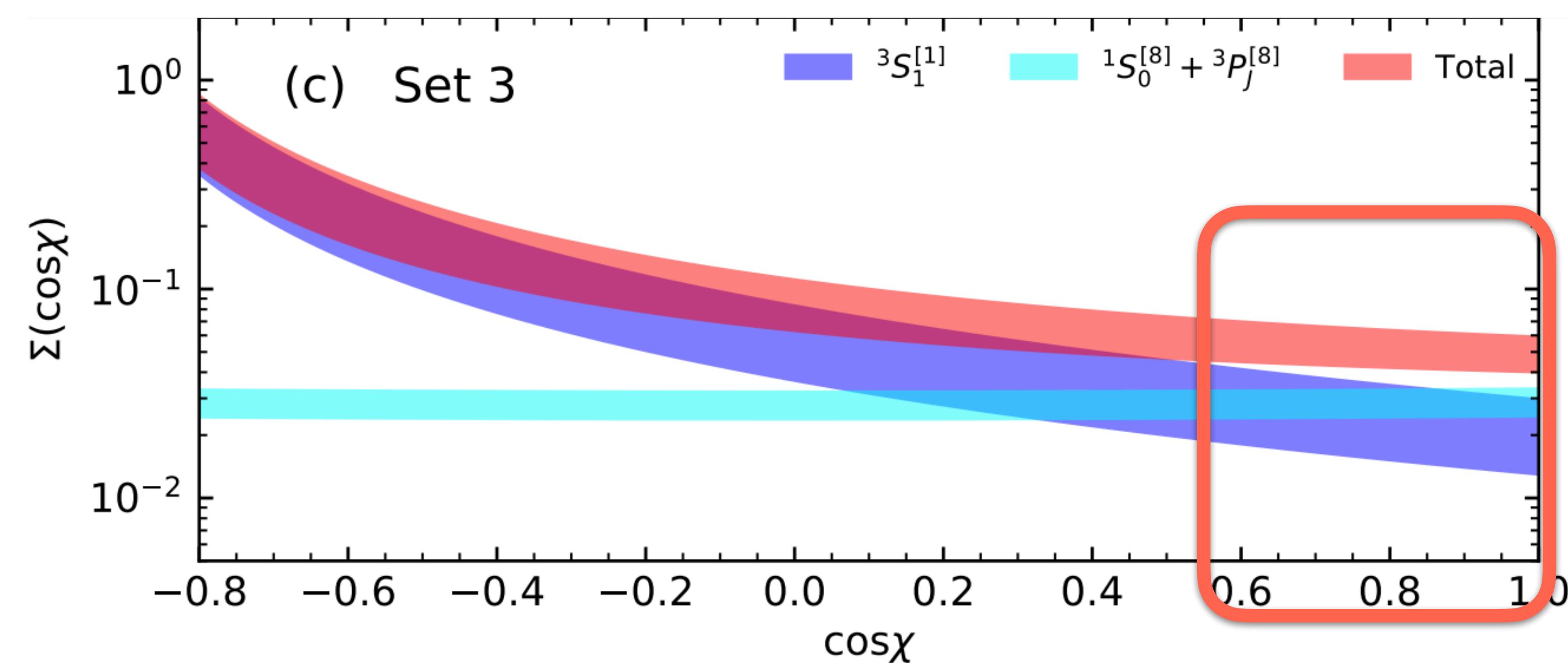
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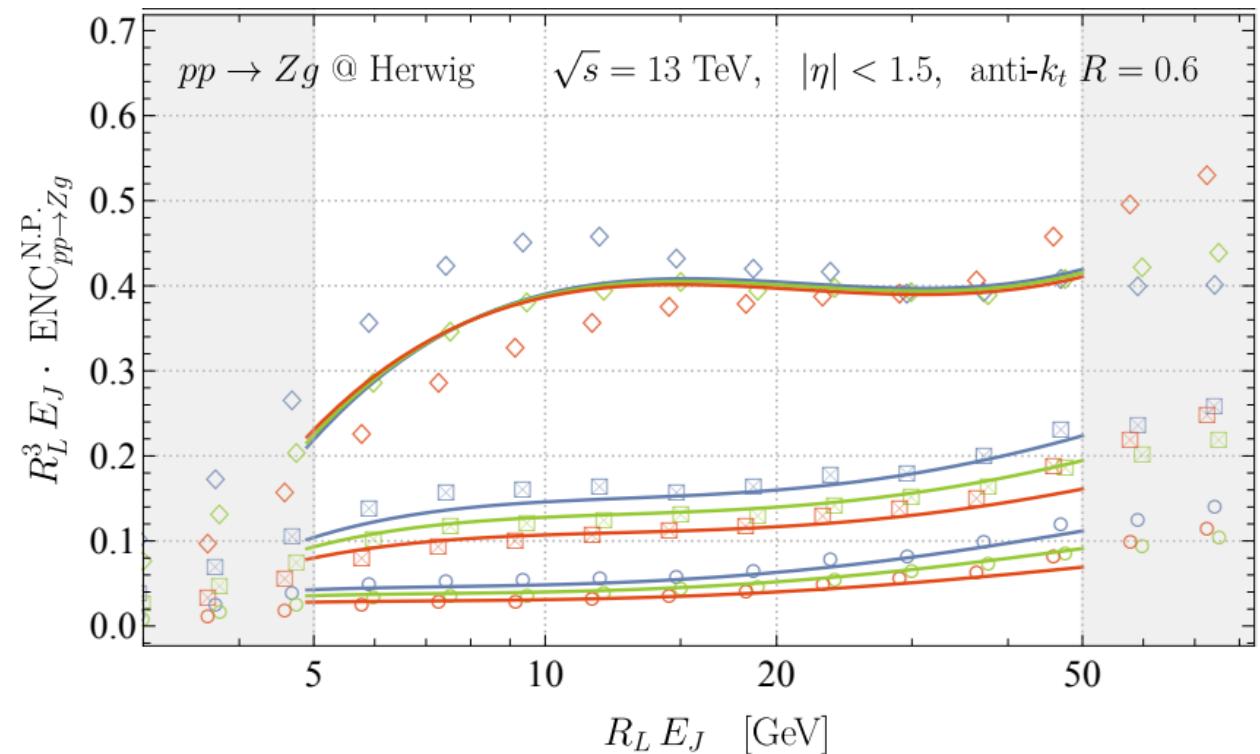


Sizable hadronization effect!!

“See” the hadronization energy distribution

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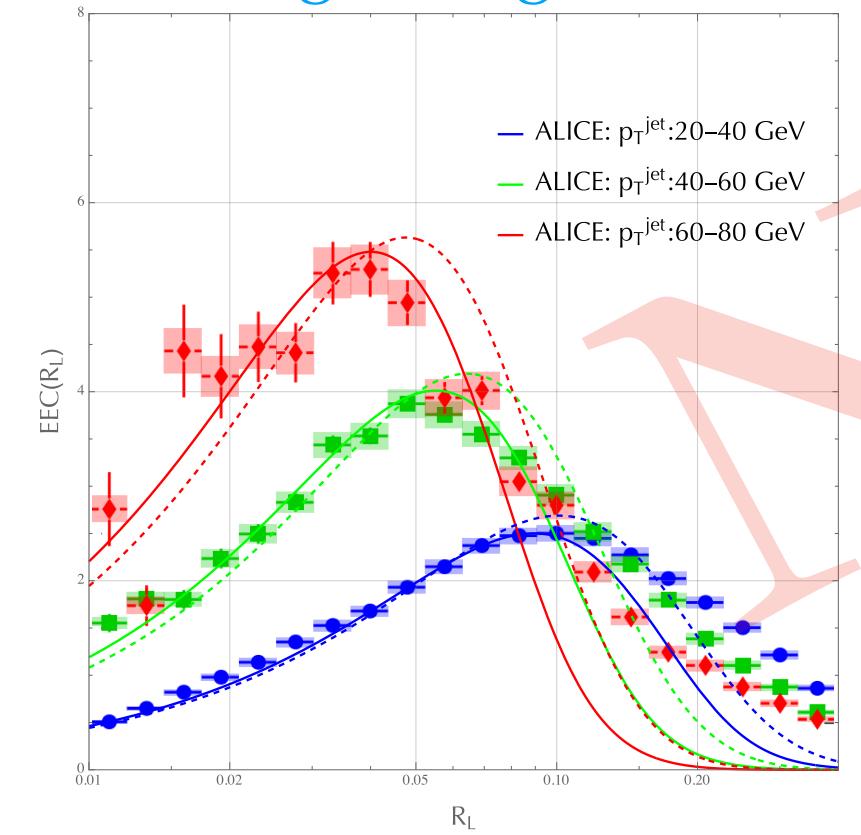
Chen, Monni, Xu, Zhu, PRL 2024



Lee, et al. , PRL 2024

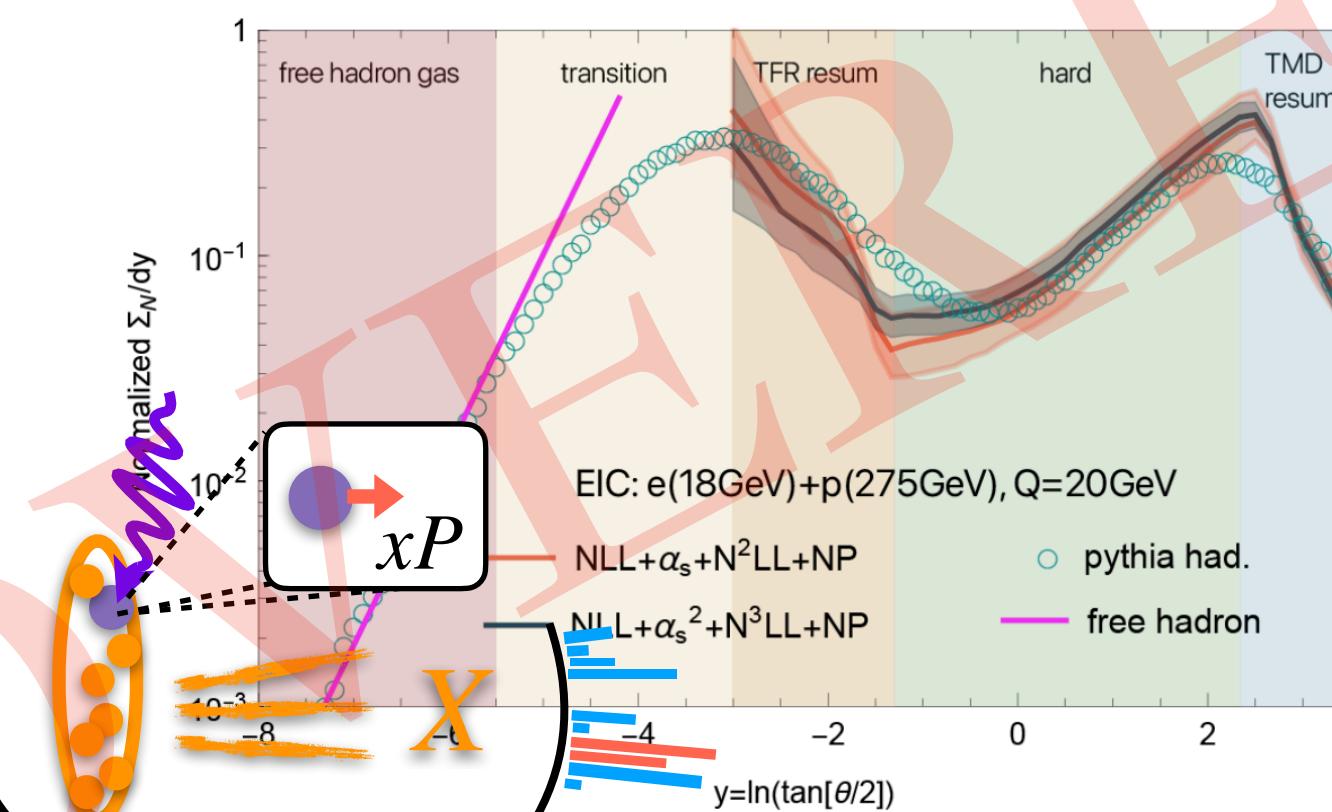
Hadronization
in light quark
ENC using QFT

XL, Vogelsang, Yuan, Zhu, 2410.16371



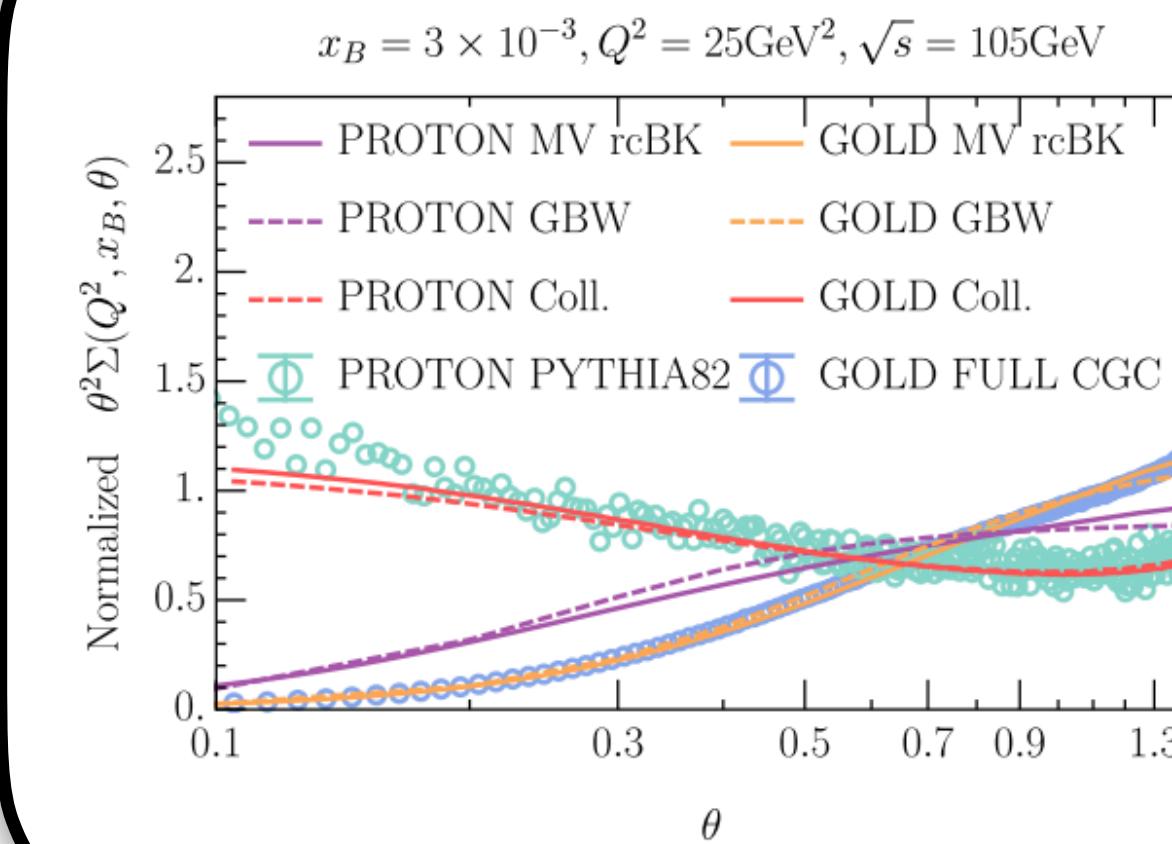
Understanding the NP
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relation to the TMD.

XL, Zhu PRL 2023

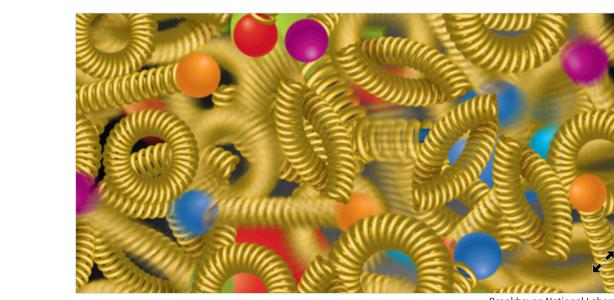


Energy correlator
originated from the
proton structure:
NEEC

Liu, XL, Pan, Yuan, Zhu, PRL 2023

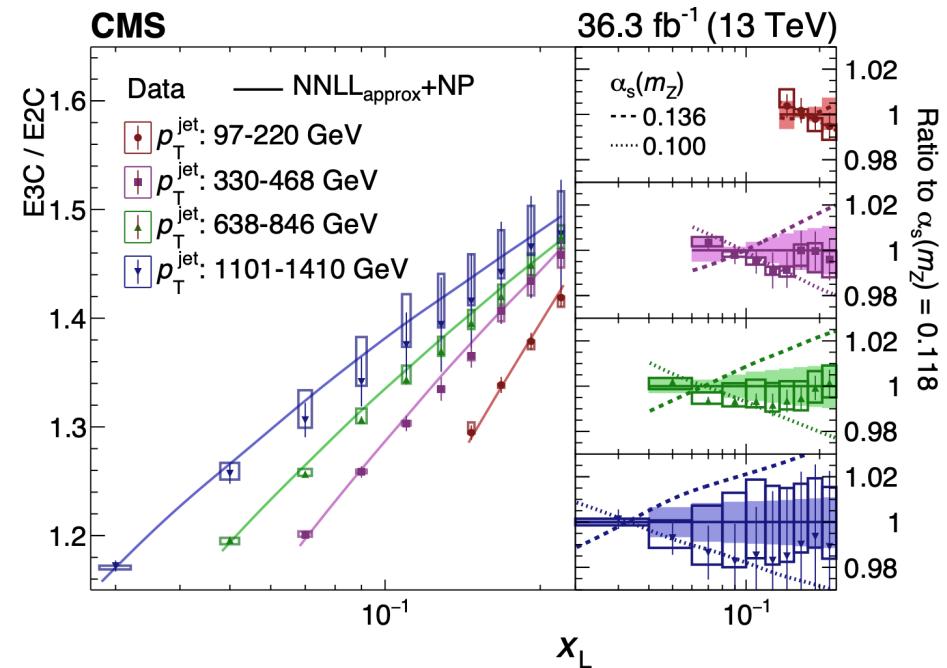


A Different Angle on the Color Glass Condensate

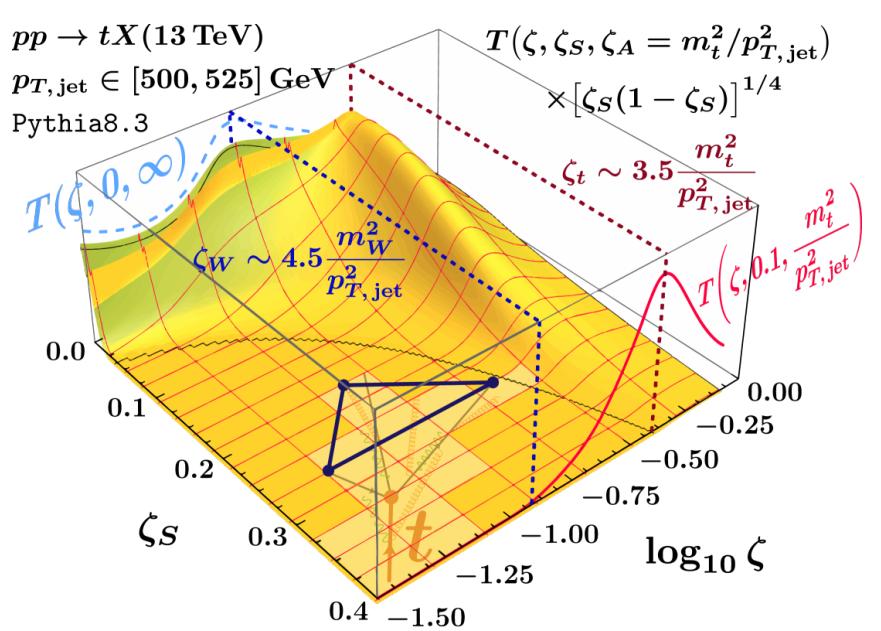


NEEC as a
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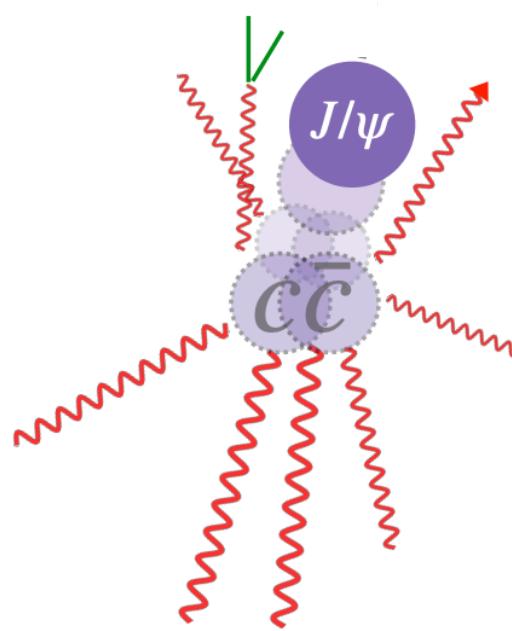
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Can motivate new pheno. applications/observables for TeV and QCD/hadron physics

Thanks