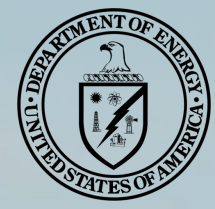


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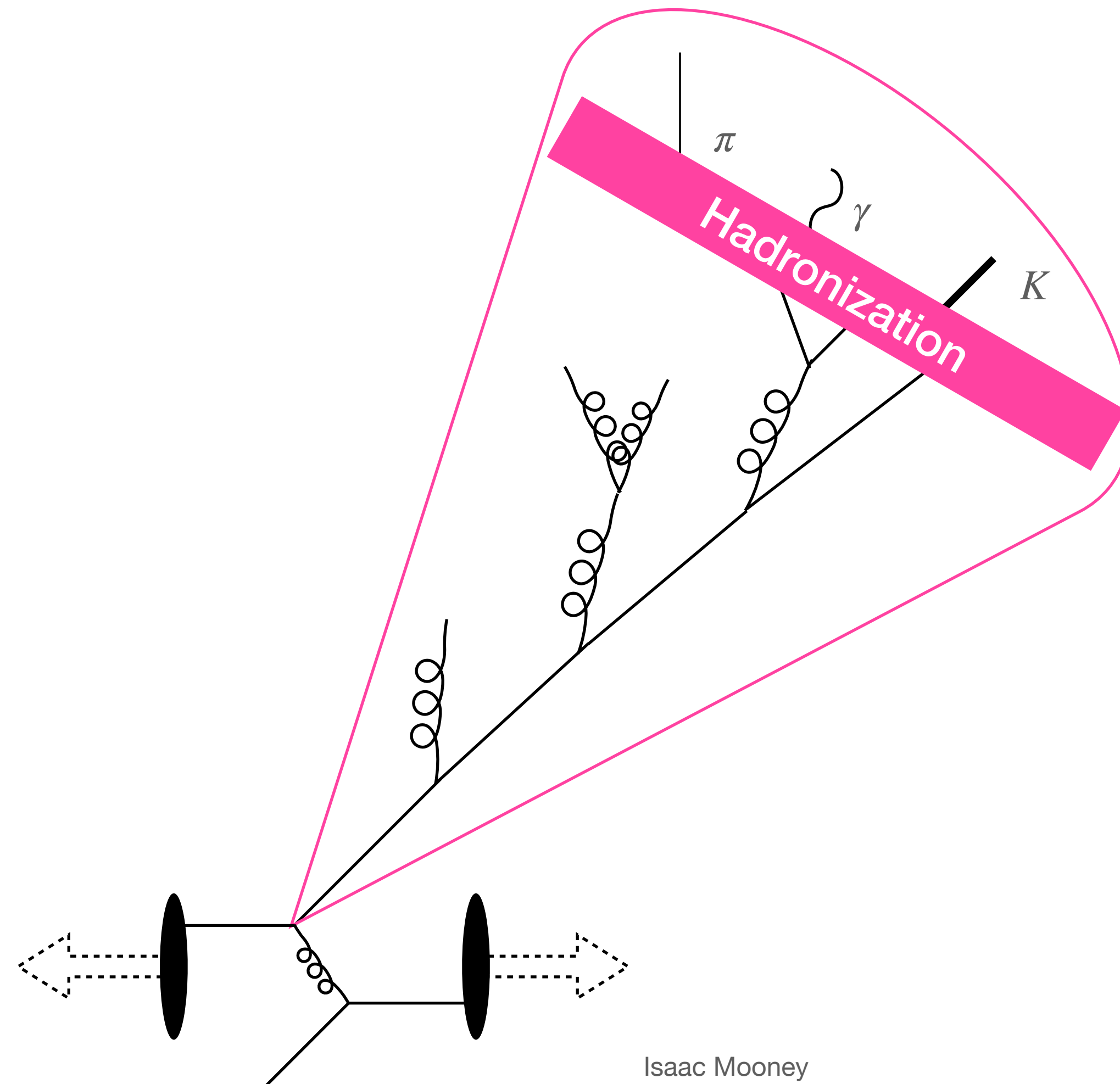
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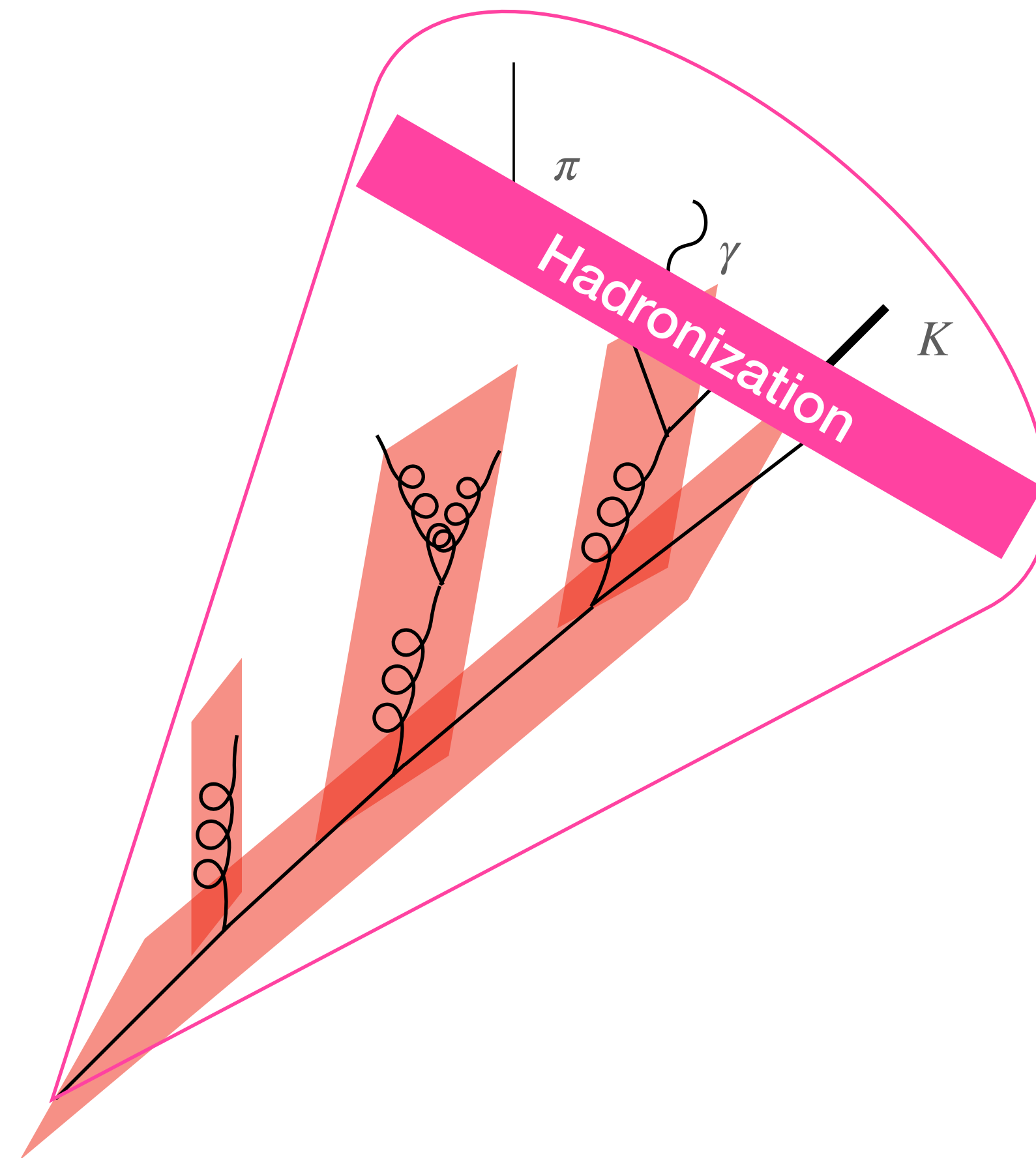
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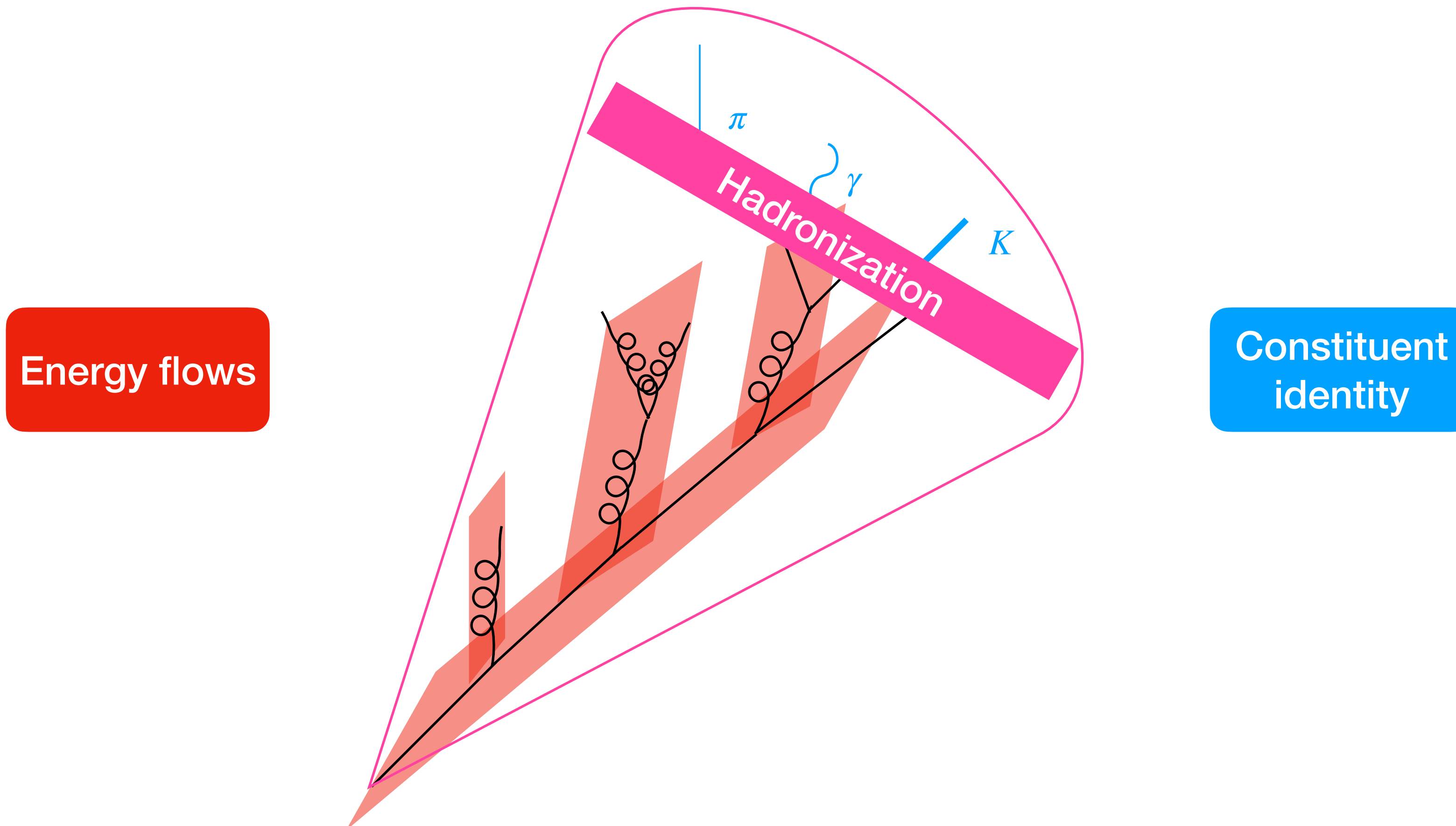
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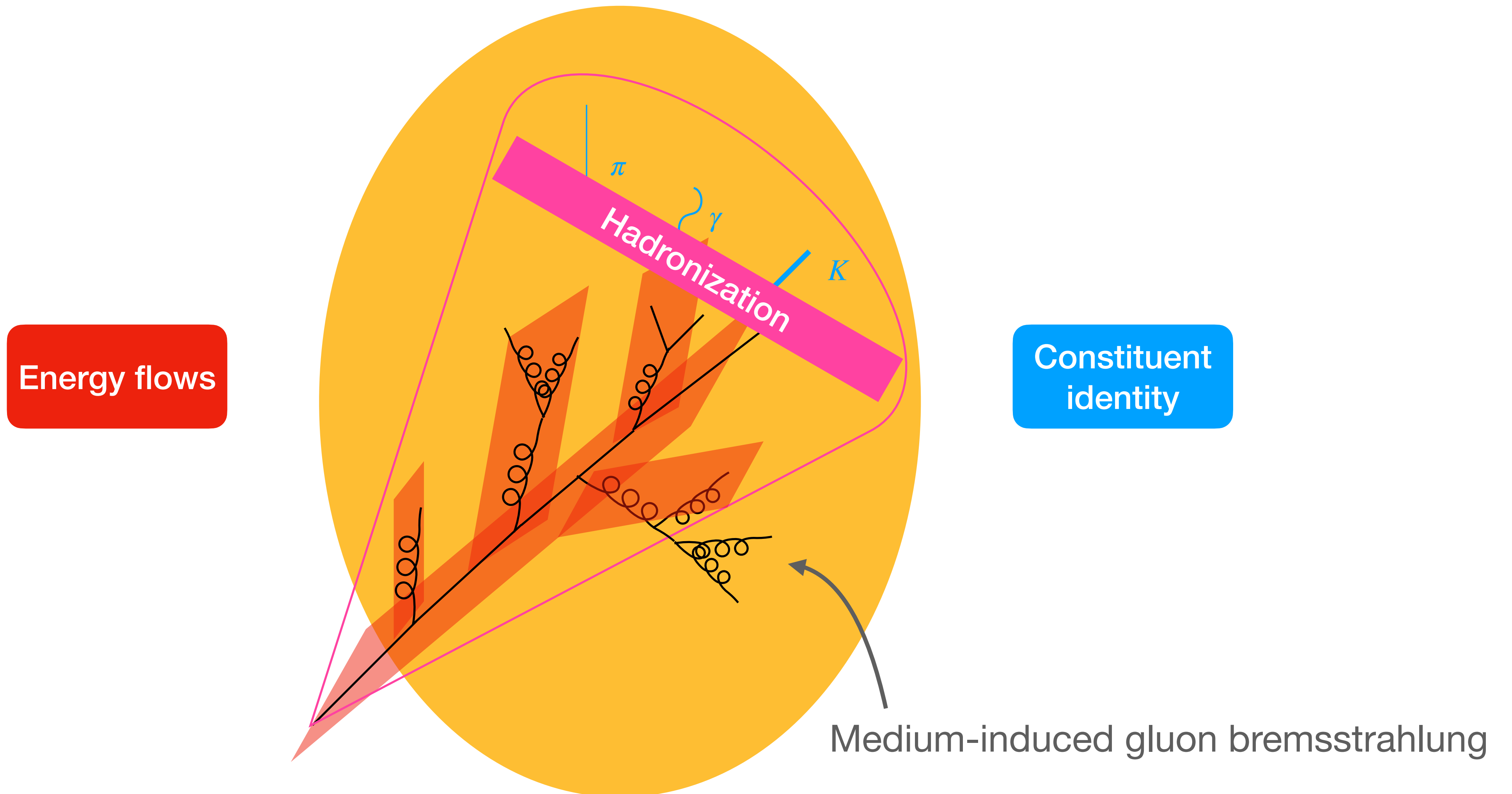
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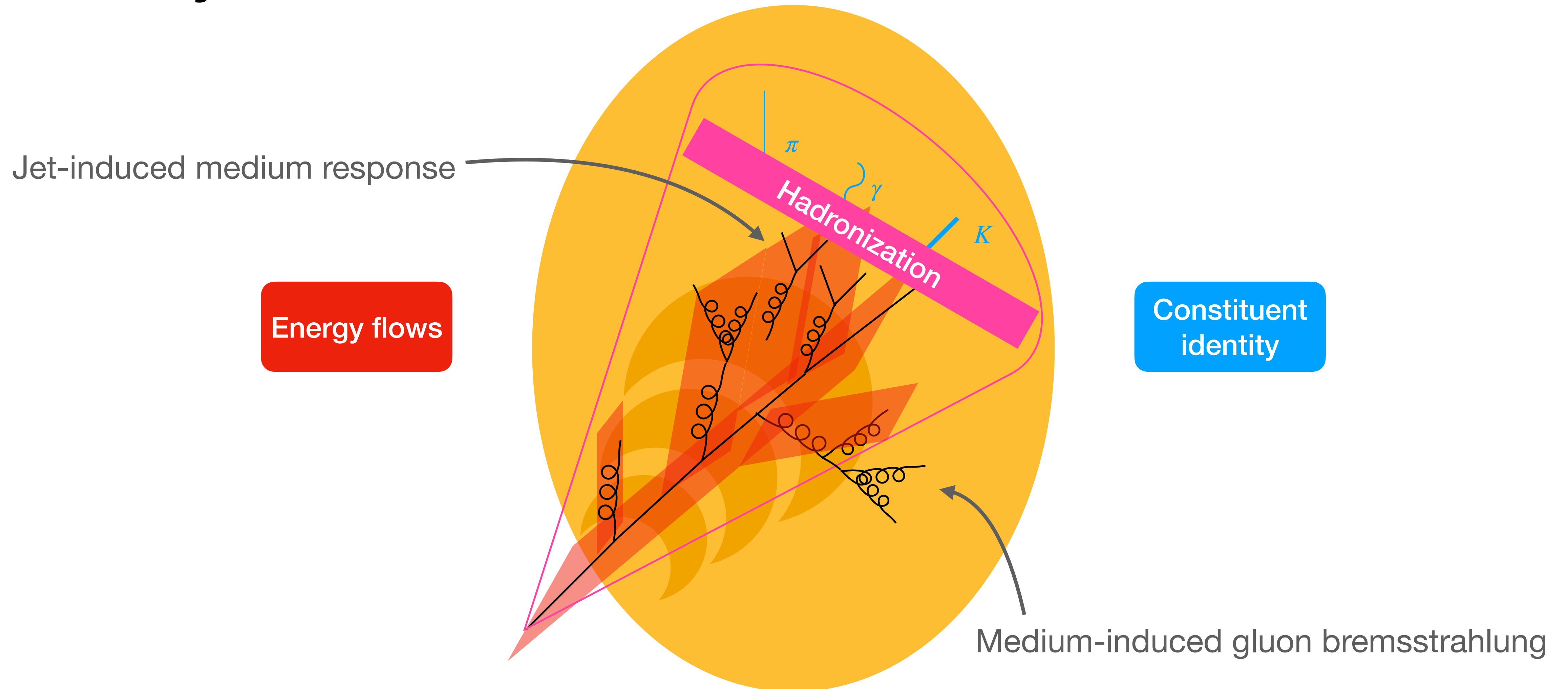
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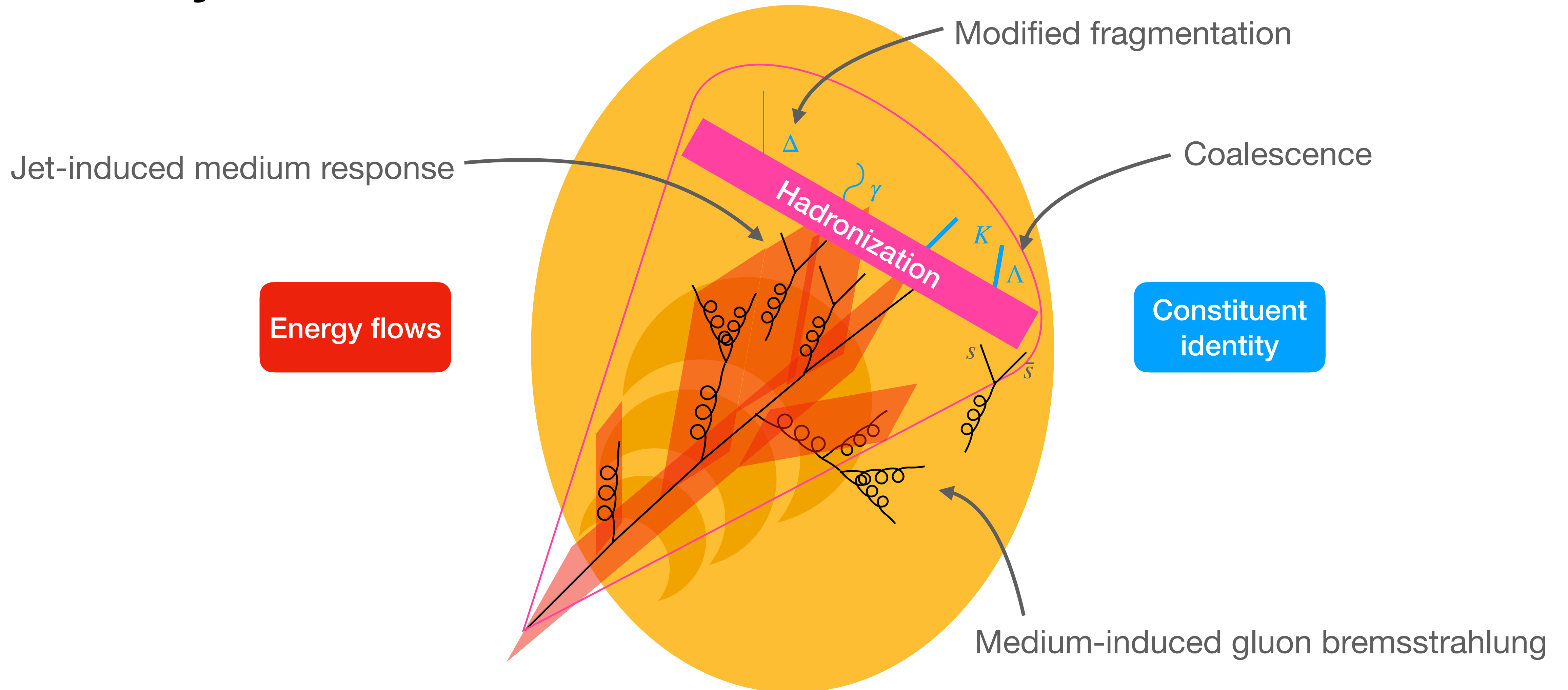
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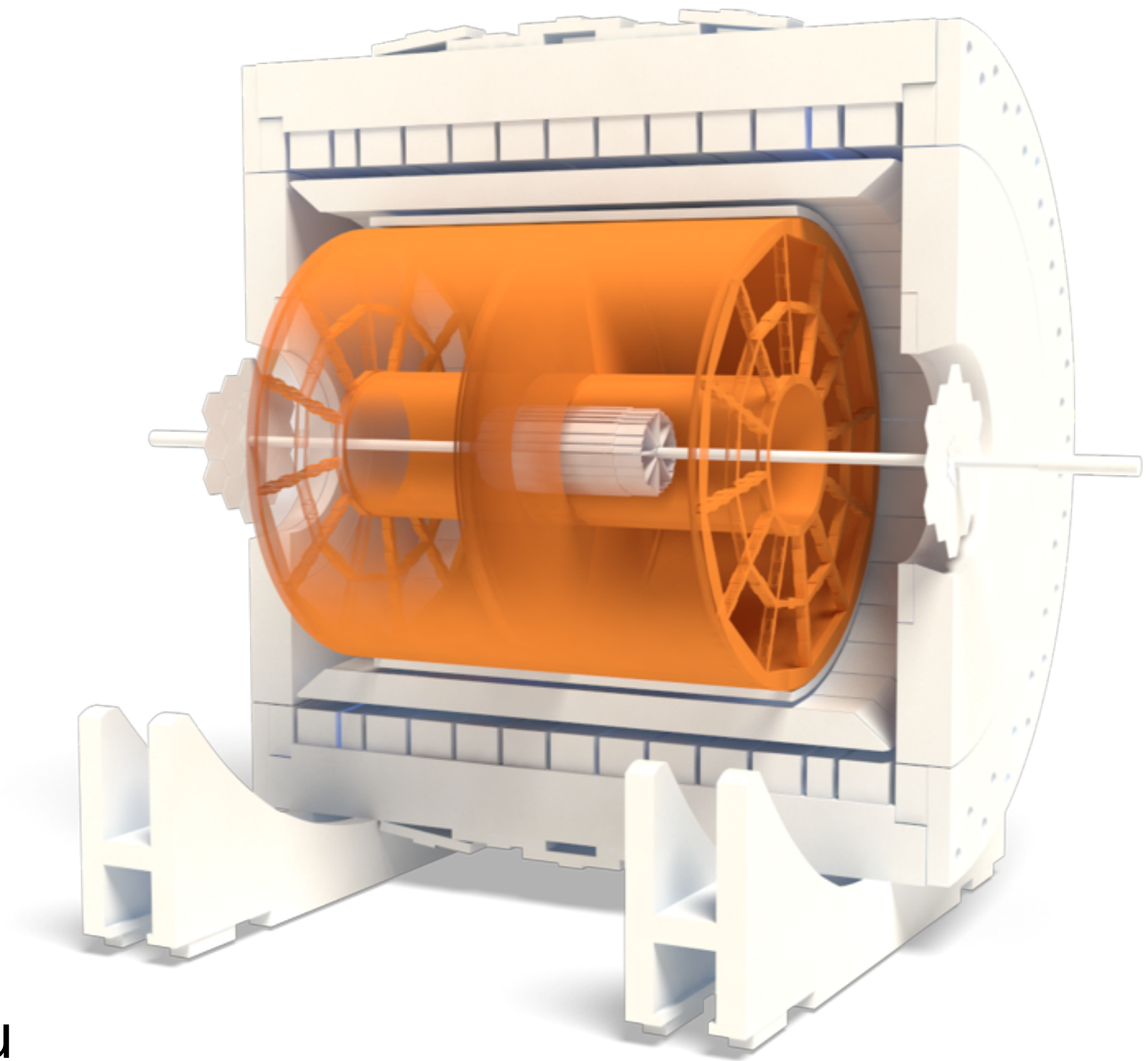
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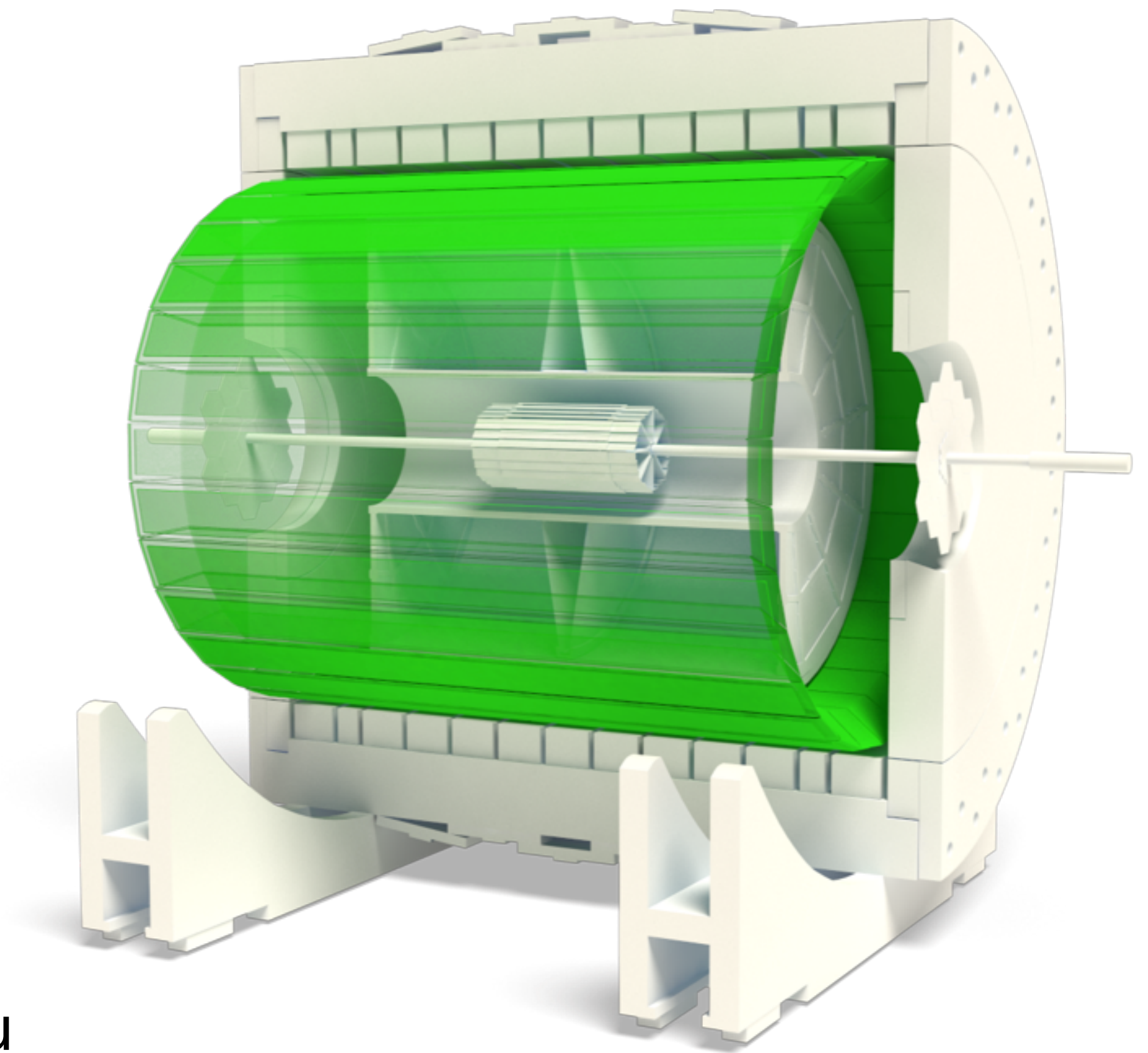
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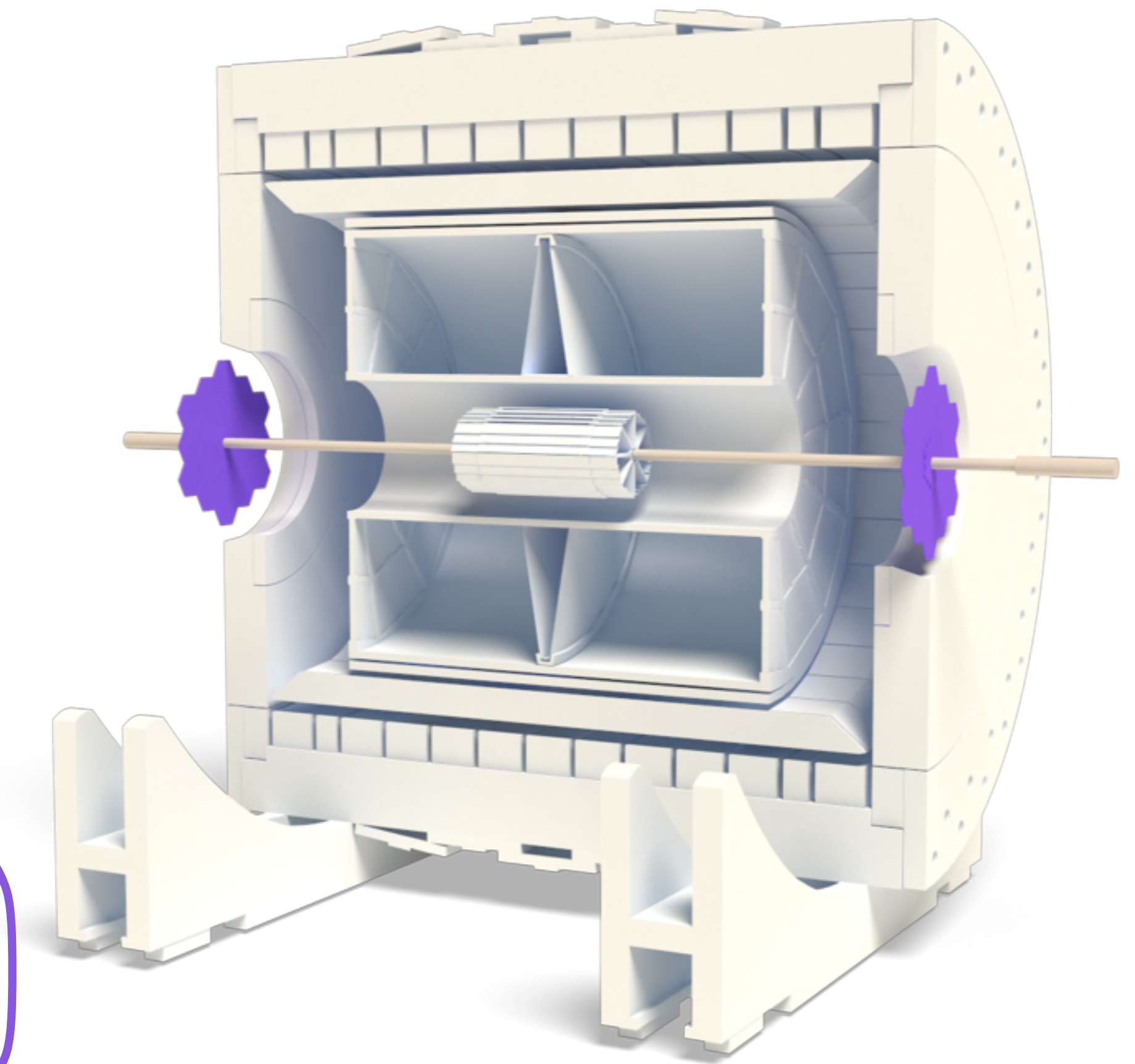
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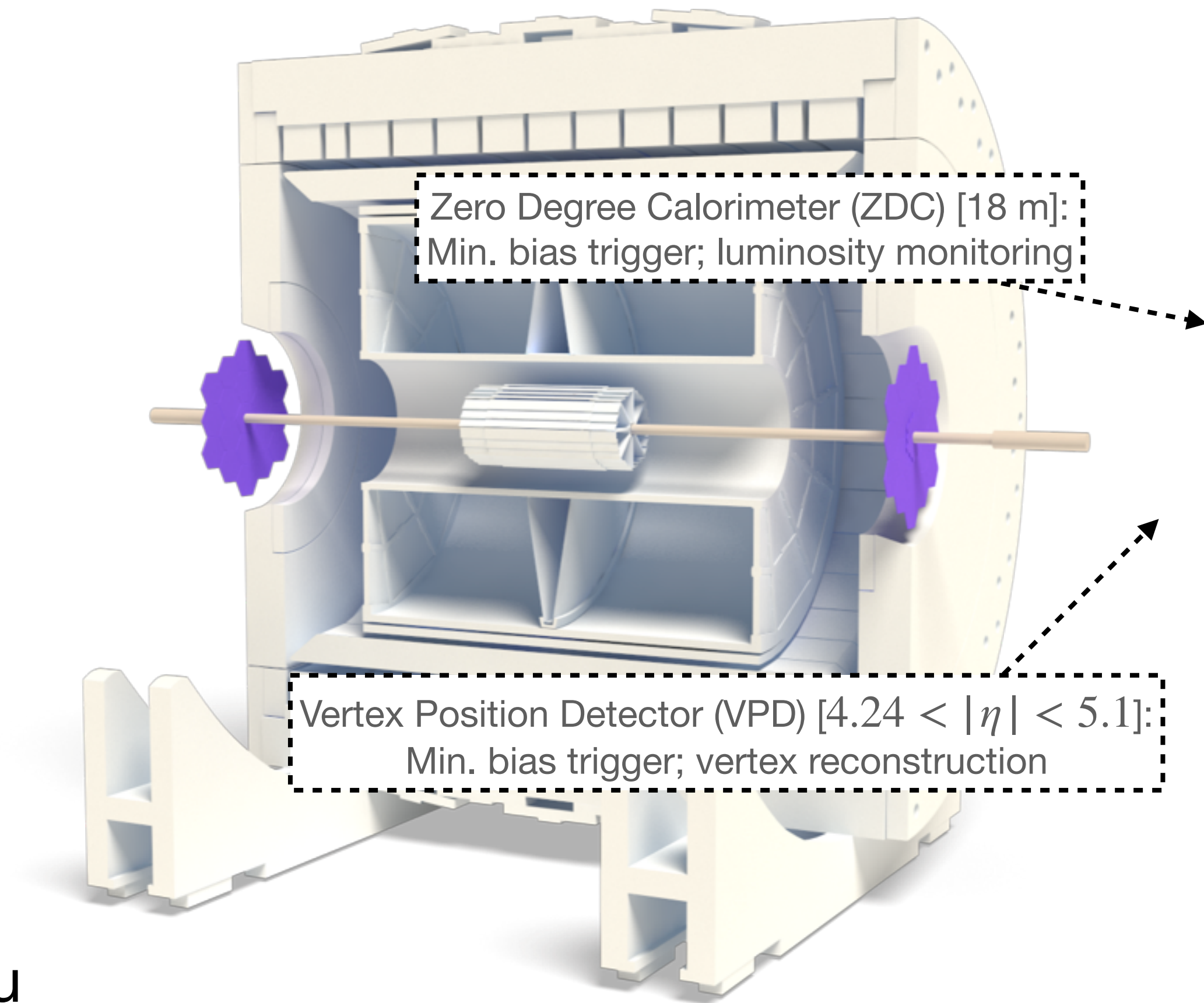
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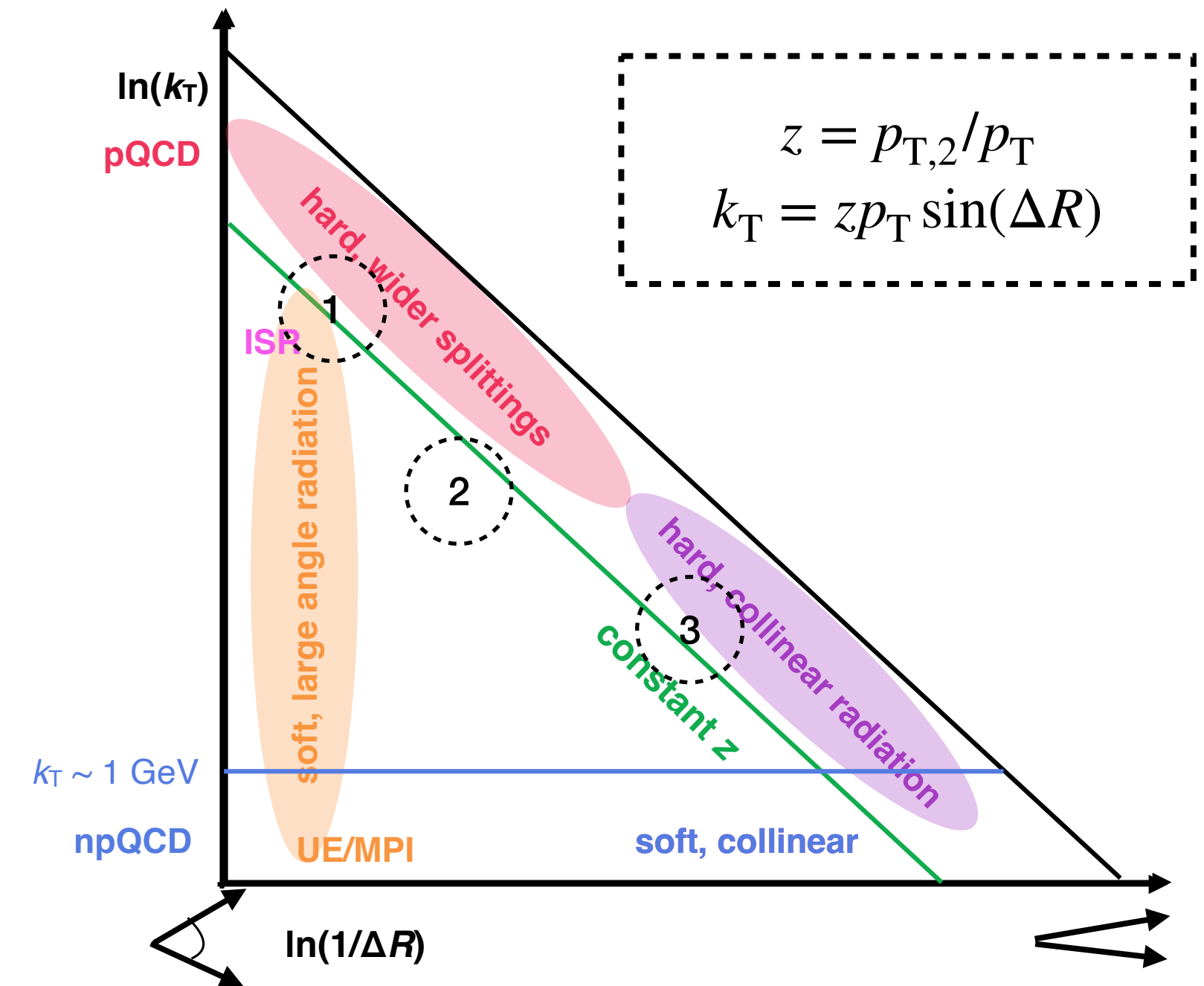
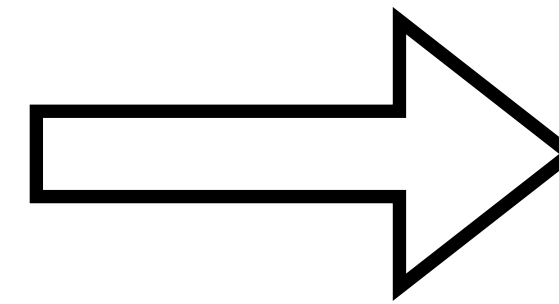
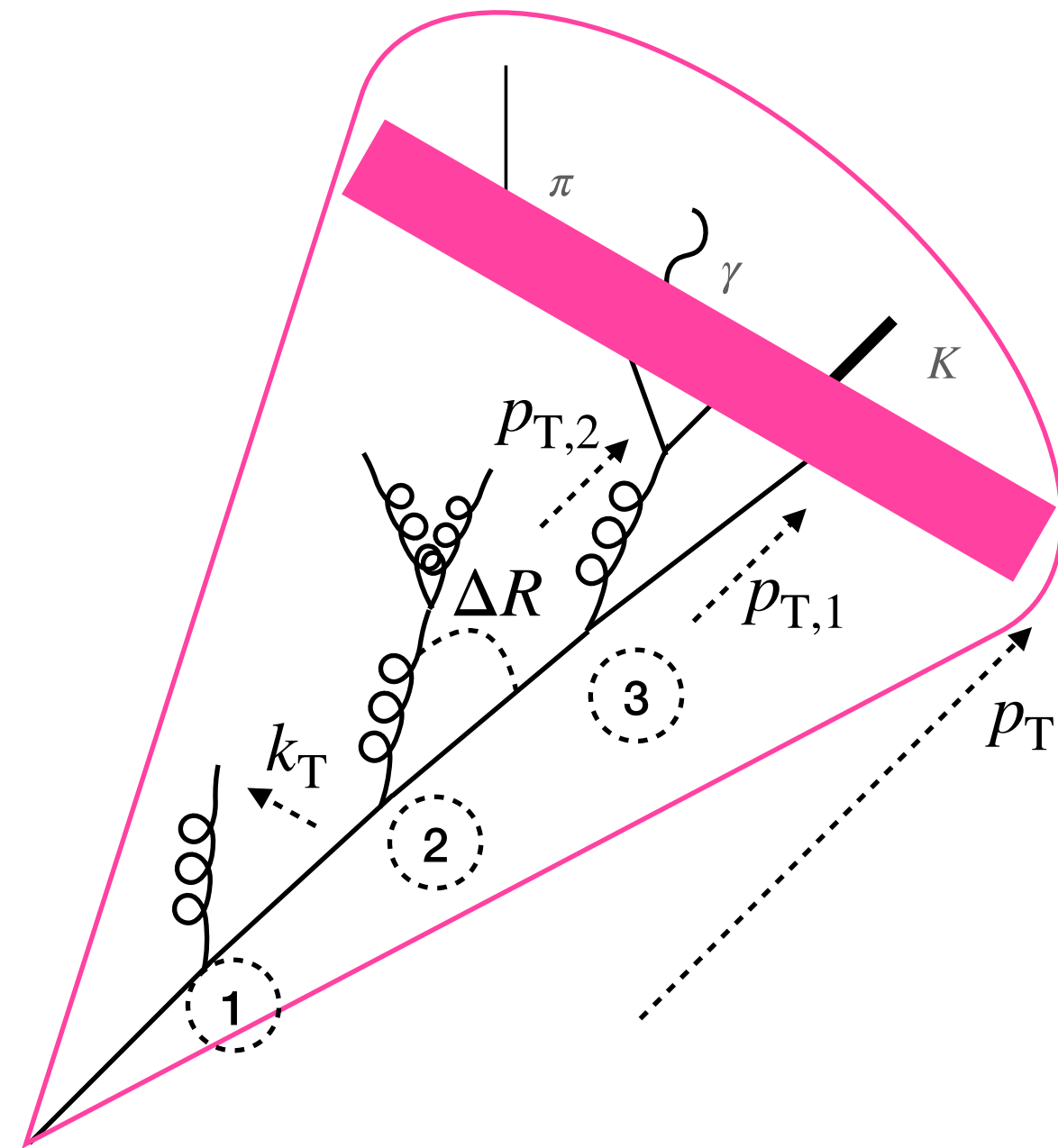
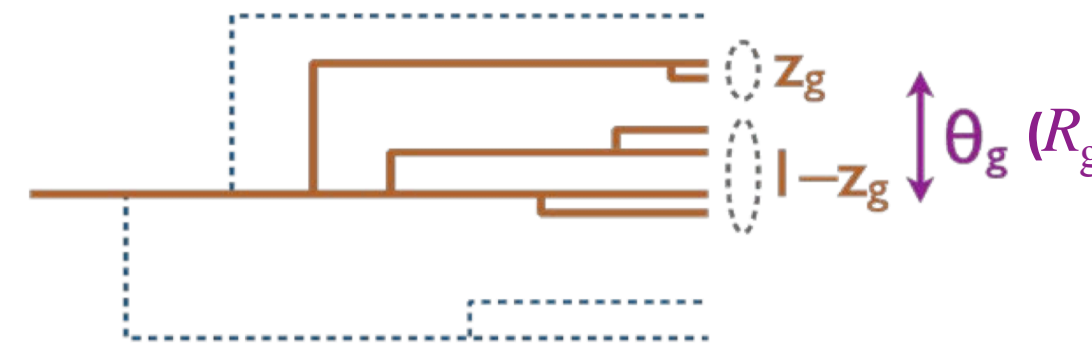


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$$\frac{\min(p_{T,i}, p_{T,j})}{p_{T,i} + p_{T,j}} > z_{\text{cut}} \left(\frac{\Delta R_{ij}}{R} \right)^\beta$$

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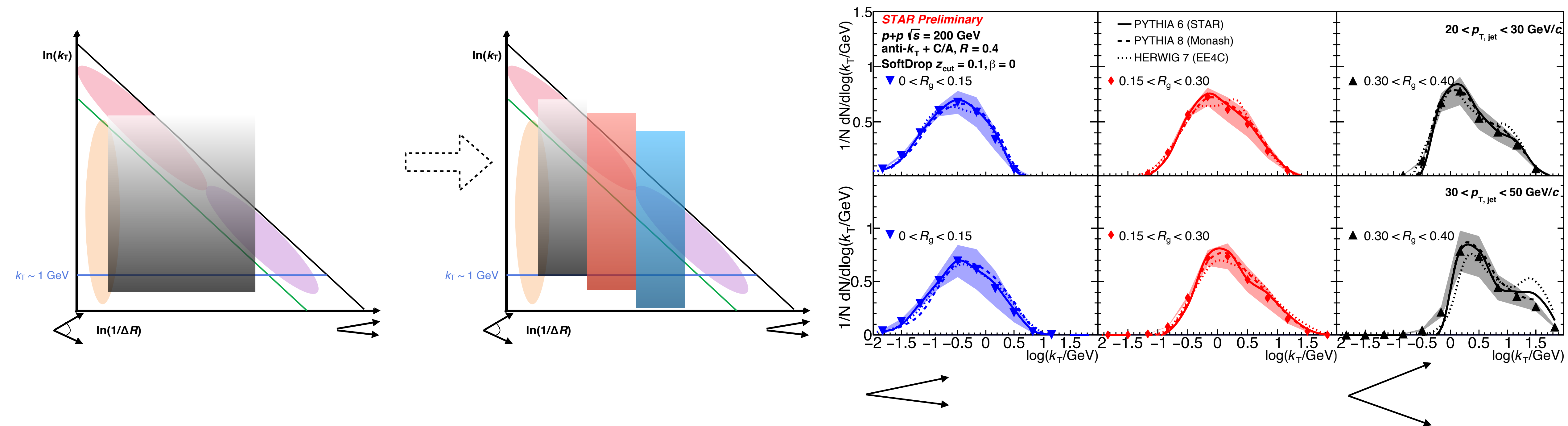


$$M_g = \left| \sum_{i \in J_g} p_i \right|$$

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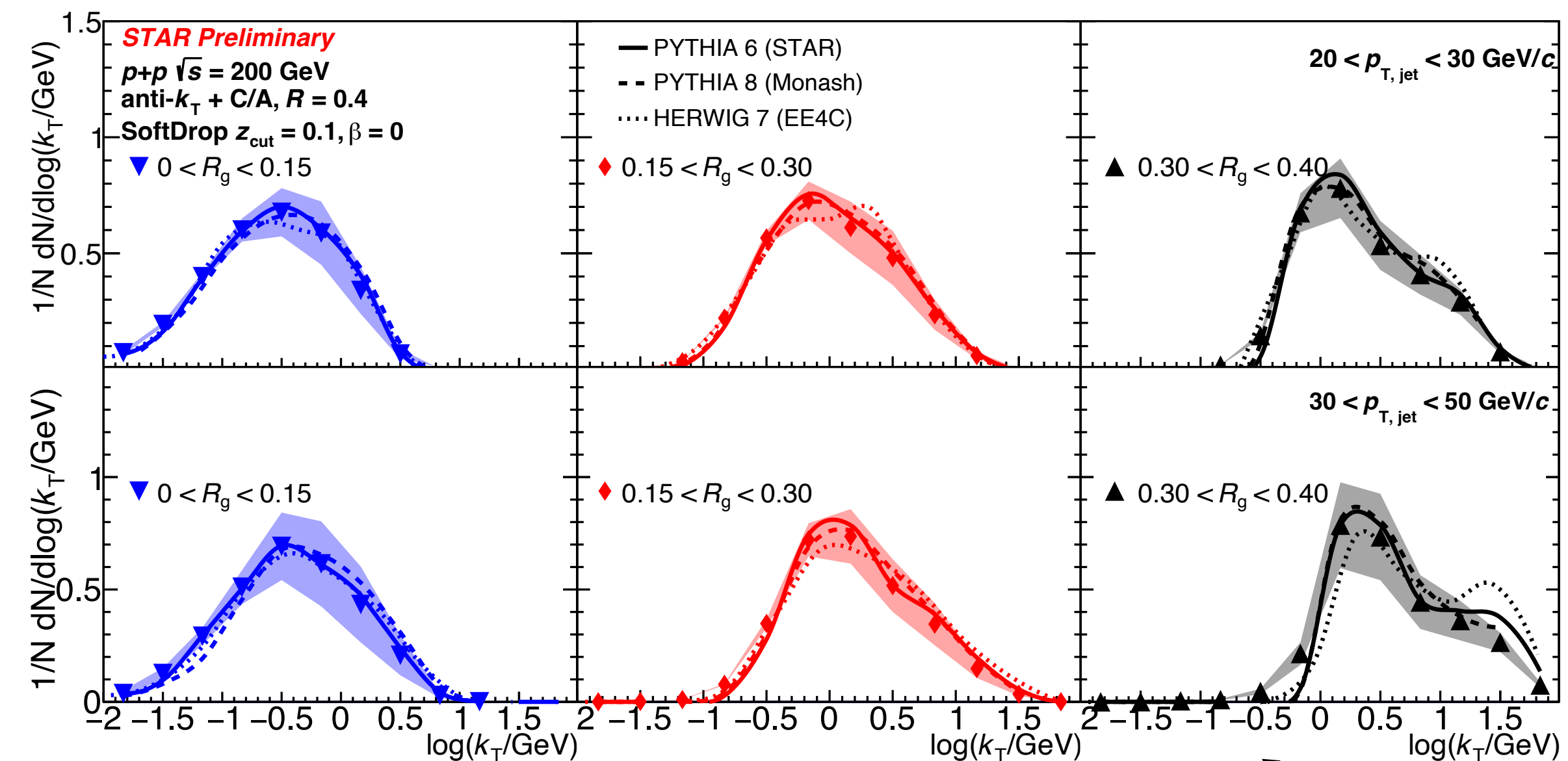
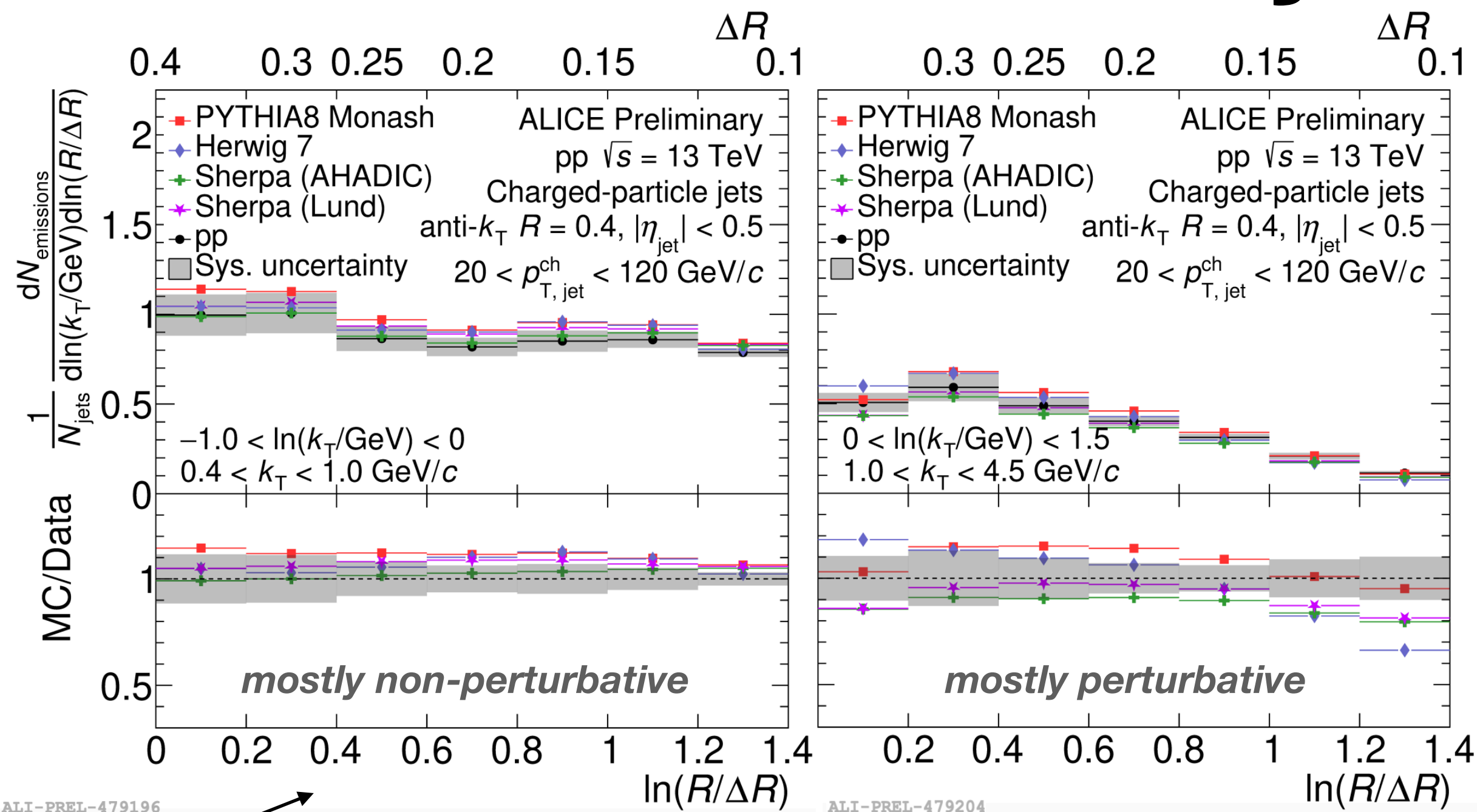
SoftDrop¹ grooming: reduce soft non-perturbative contribution
 → better theoretical control

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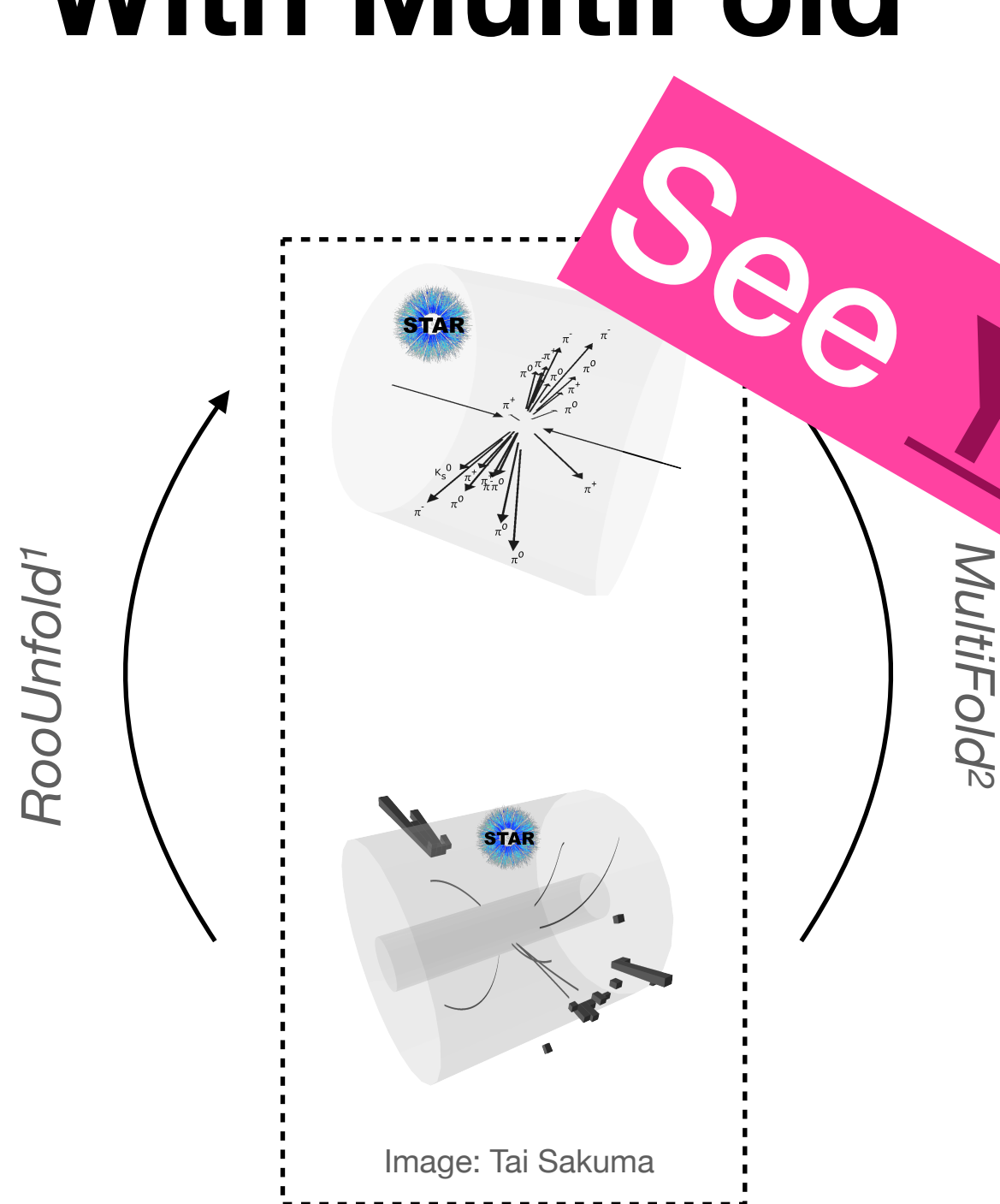
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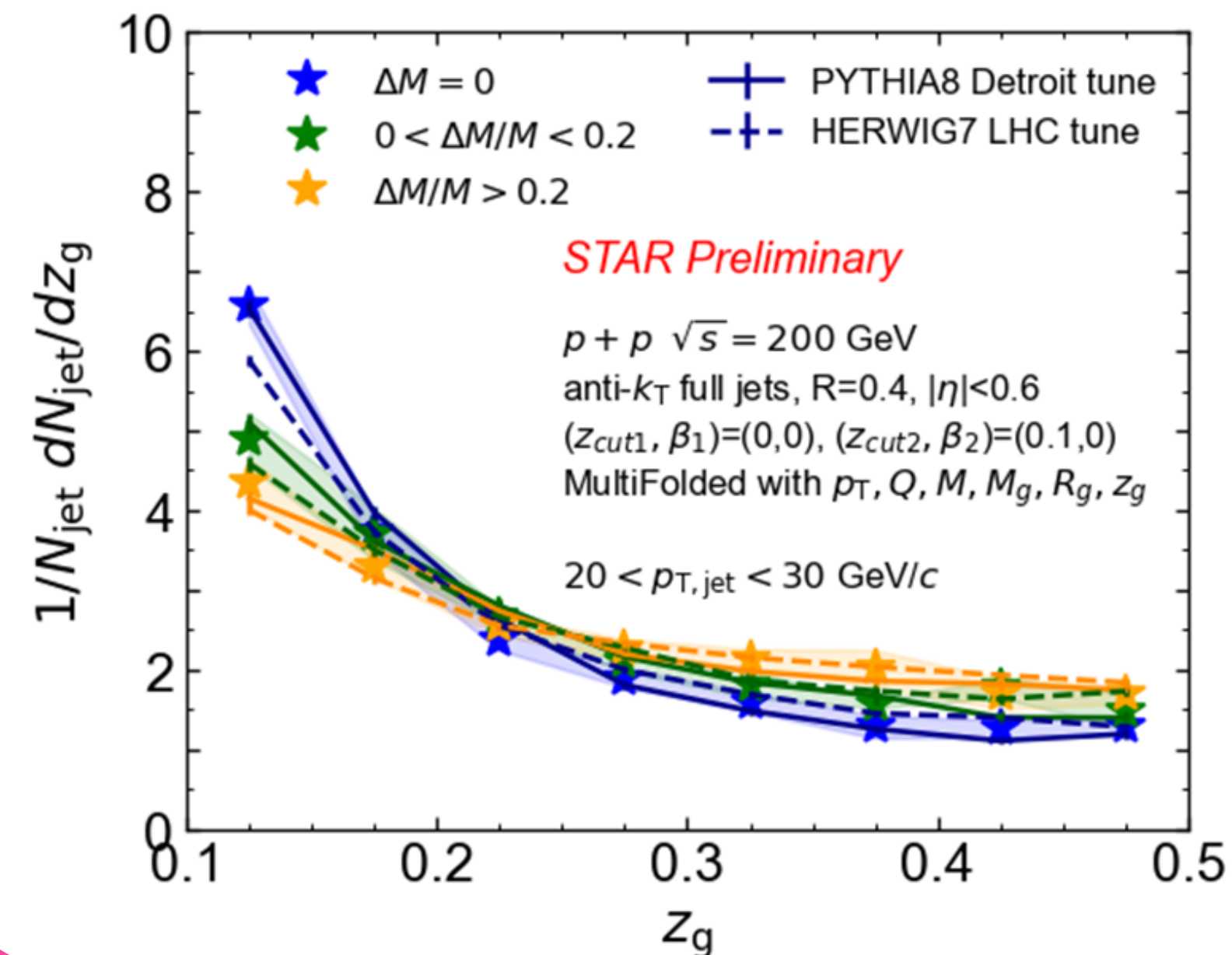
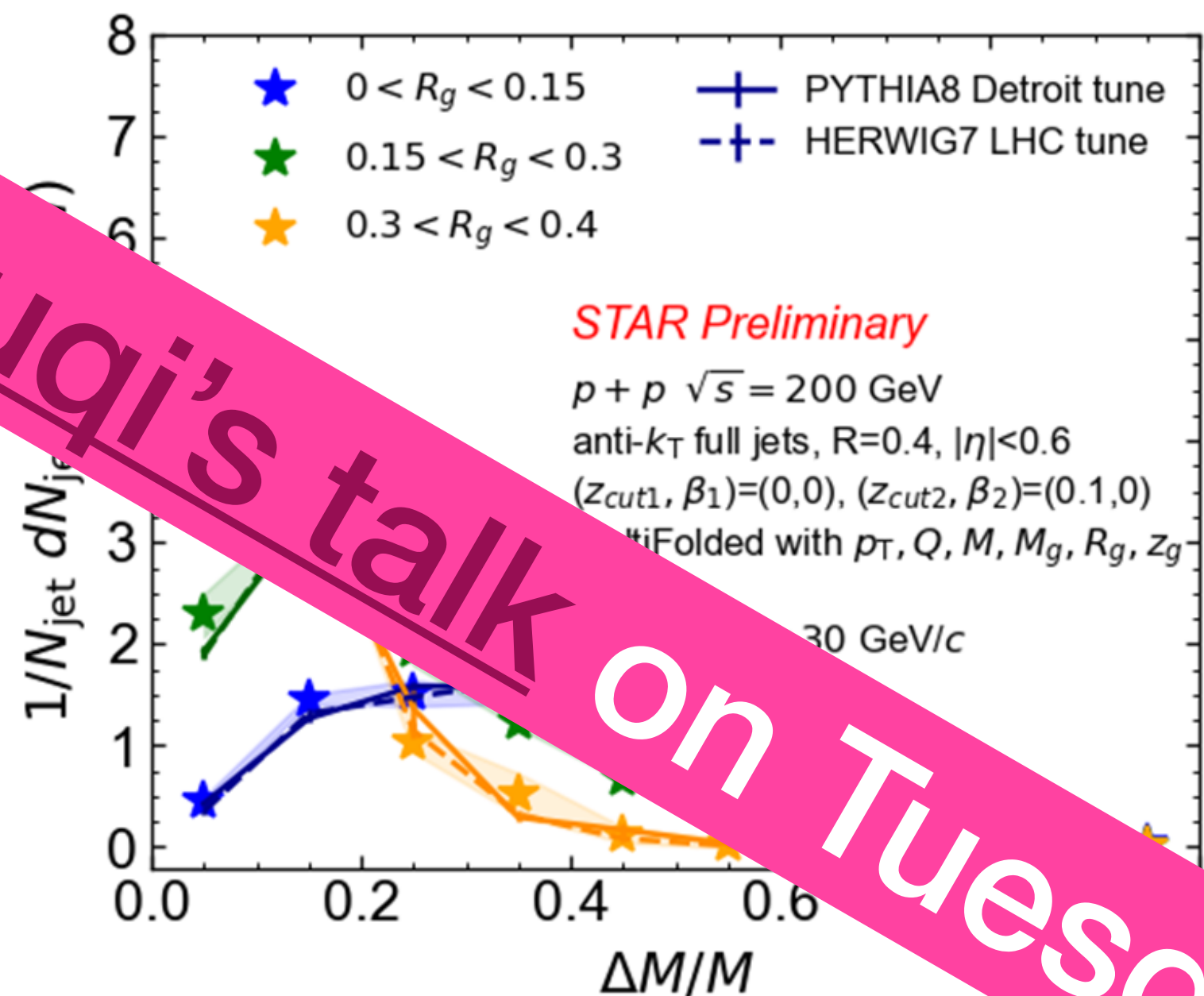


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- Observe similarly in ALICE: high- k_T splits are wider. But tension with models for narrow splits with high k_T

N -dimensional observables With MultiFold



$$\Delta M = M - M_g$$

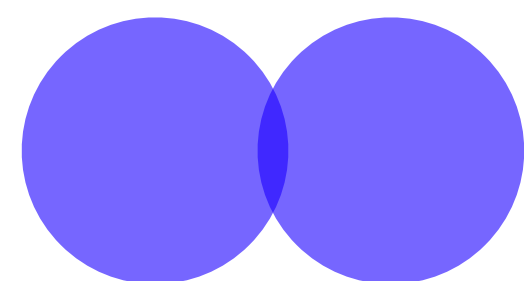


- First application of MultiFold at RHIC
- Consistent with angular ordering + kinematic constraint in early and late time splittings

See Youqi's talk on Tuesday at 11 AM!

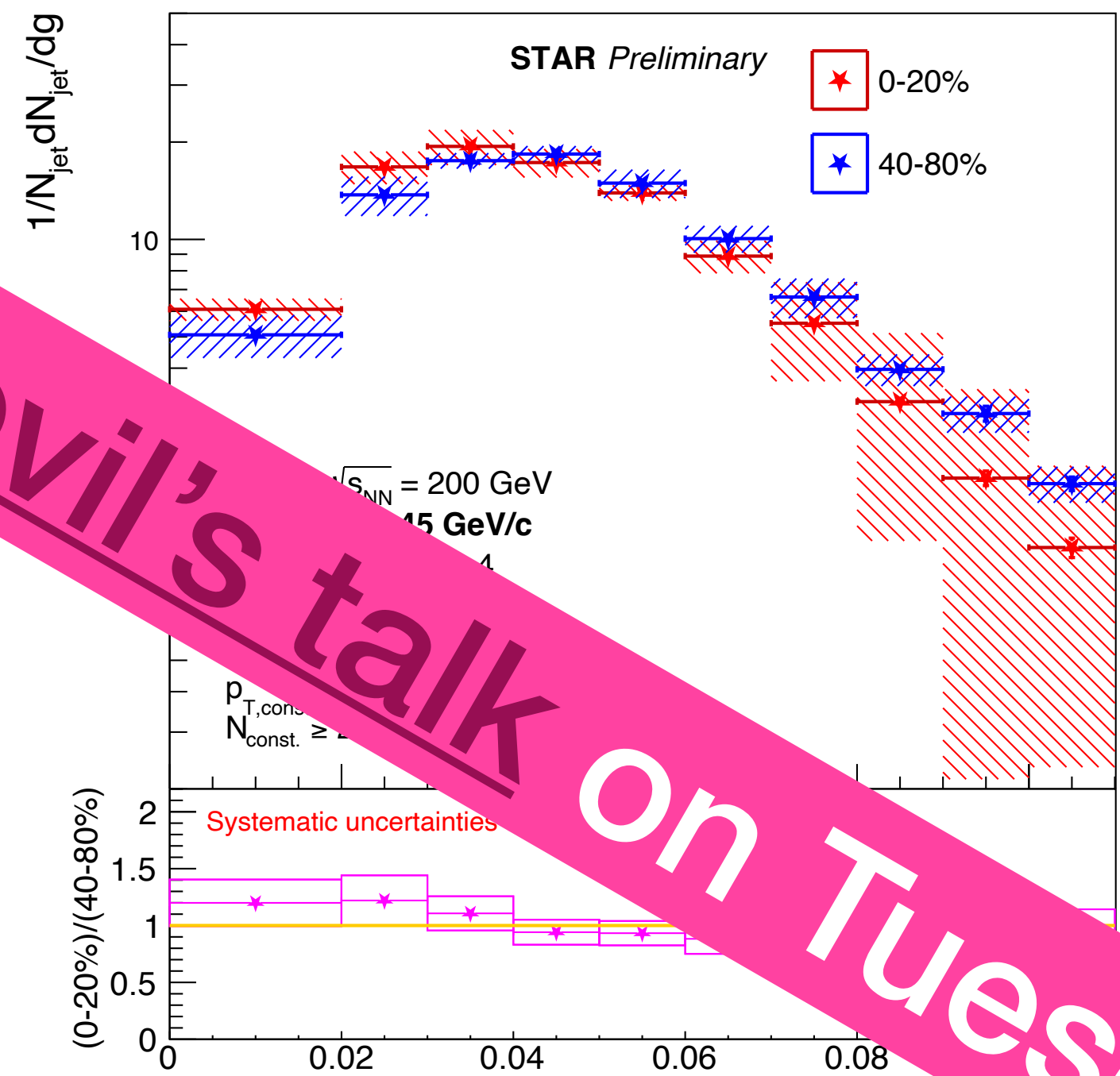
Generalized angularities in AA

With MultiFold

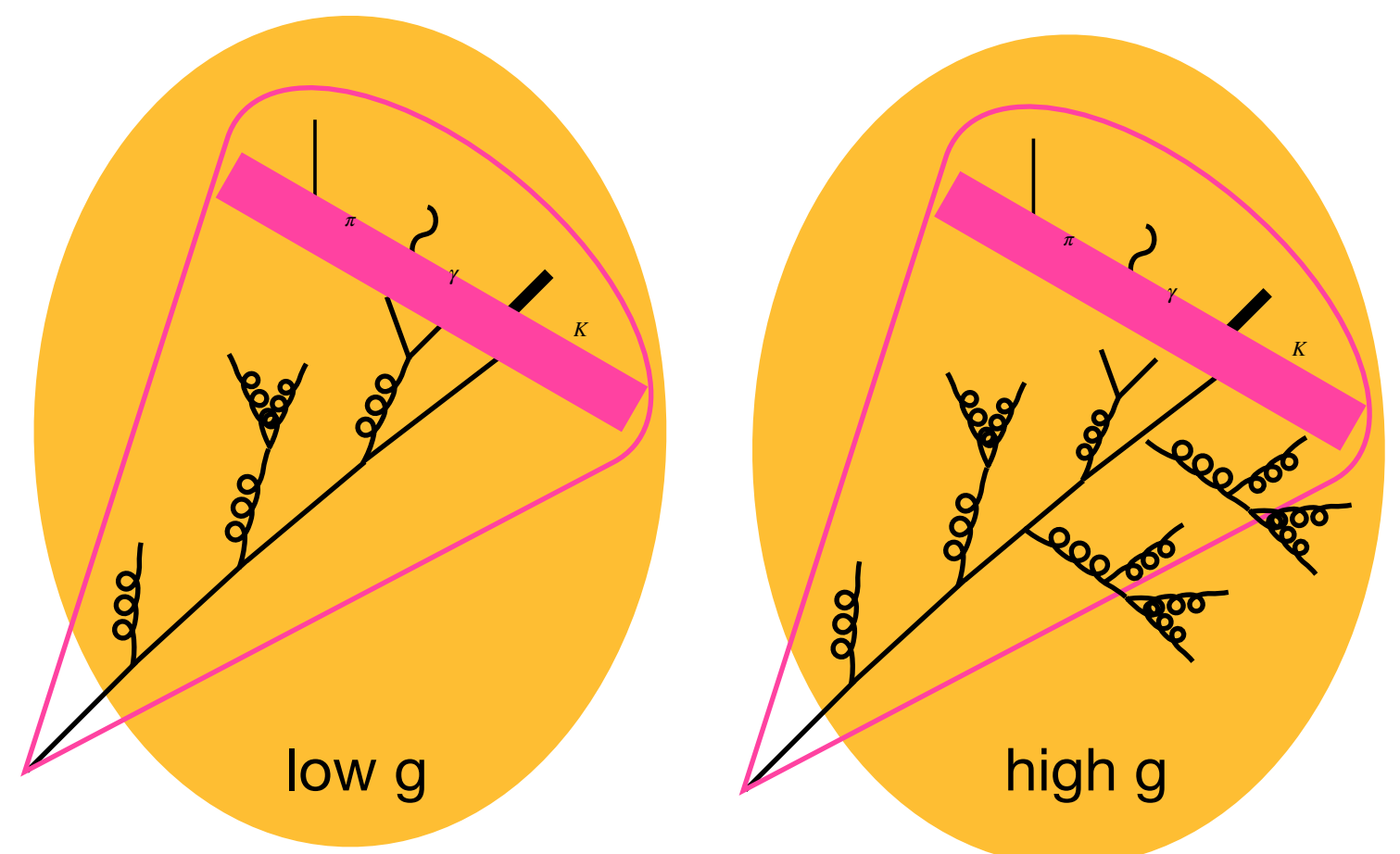


$$\lambda_{\beta}^{\kappa} = \sum_{\text{cons} \in \text{jet}} \left(\frac{p_{T,\text{cons}}}{p_{T,\text{jet}}} \right)^{\kappa} \Delta R (\text{cons, jet})^{\beta}$$

$$g = \lambda_1^1 = \frac{\sum_{\text{trk} \in \text{jet}} p_{T,\text{trk}} \Delta R}{p_{T,\text{jet}}}$$



Data corrected using MultiFold in 7D



- Generalized angularities allow tunable contributions to momentum, angular scales in IRC safe way
- With conservative systematic uncertainties *in biased pop.*, g is consistent in peripheral and central collisions are consistent

See Sevil's talk on Tuesday at 11:30 AM!

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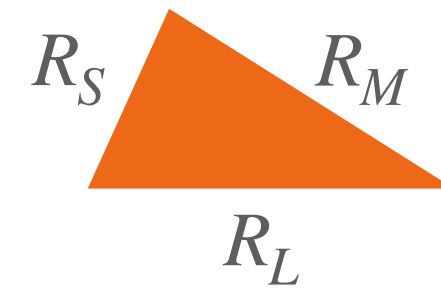
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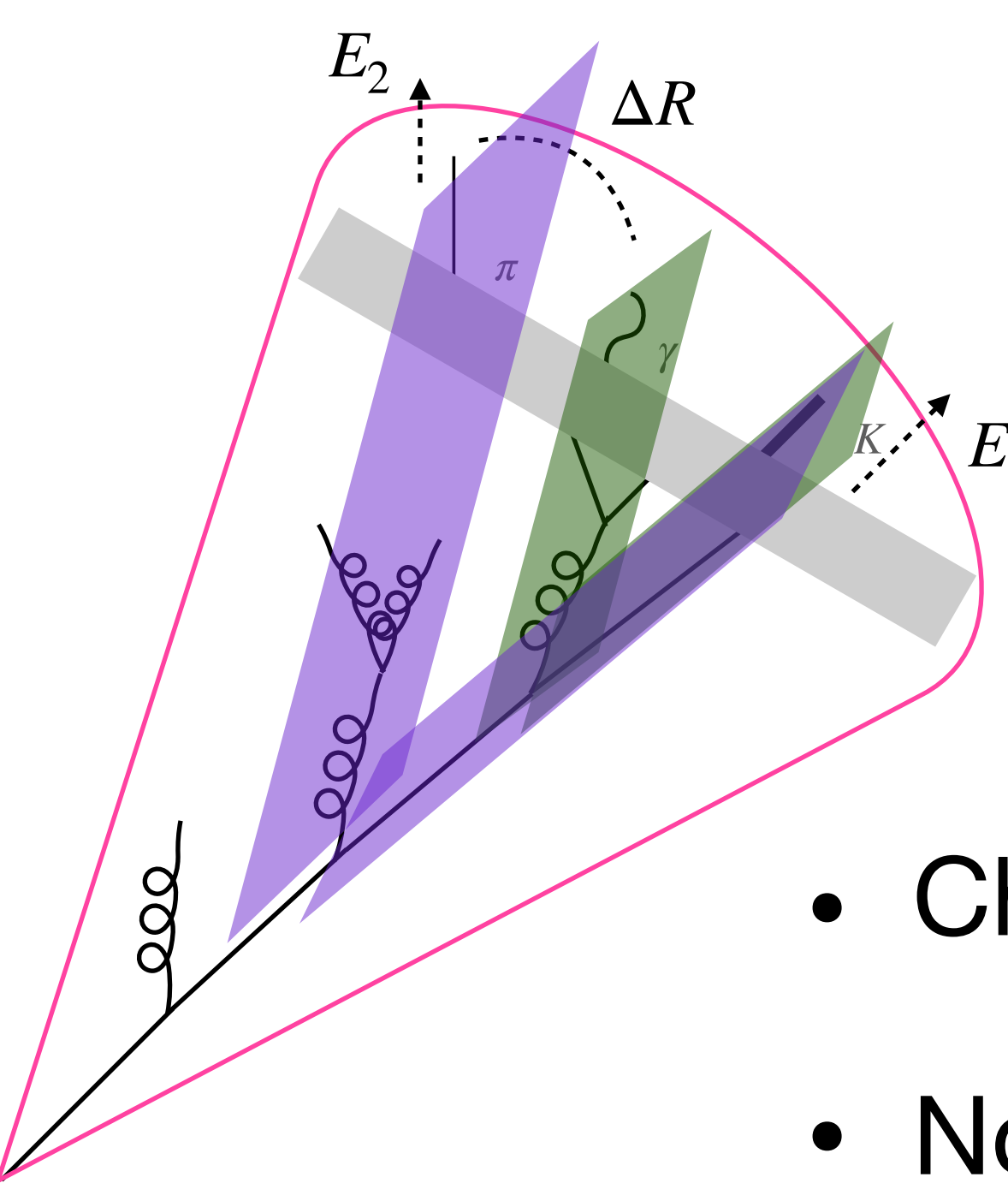
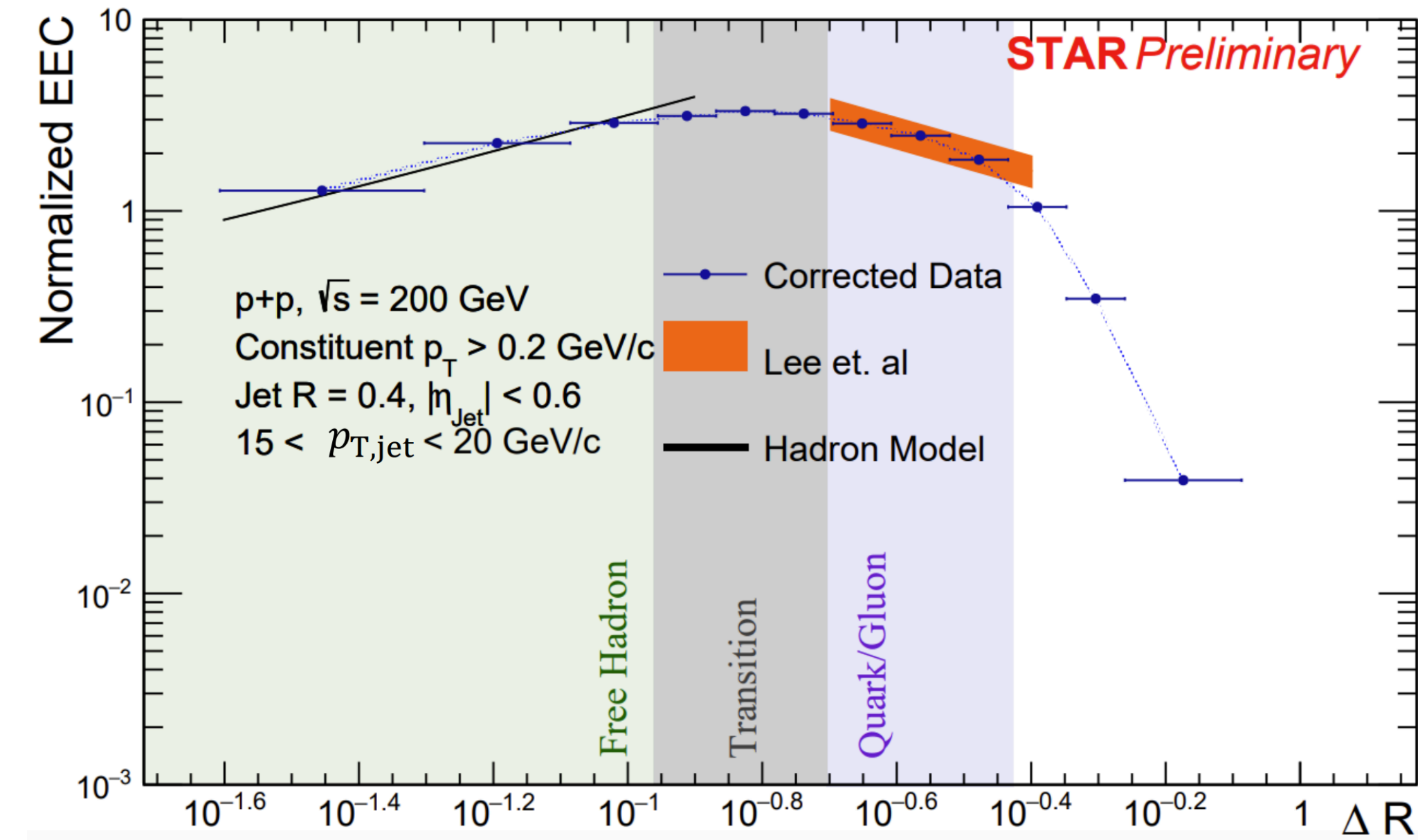
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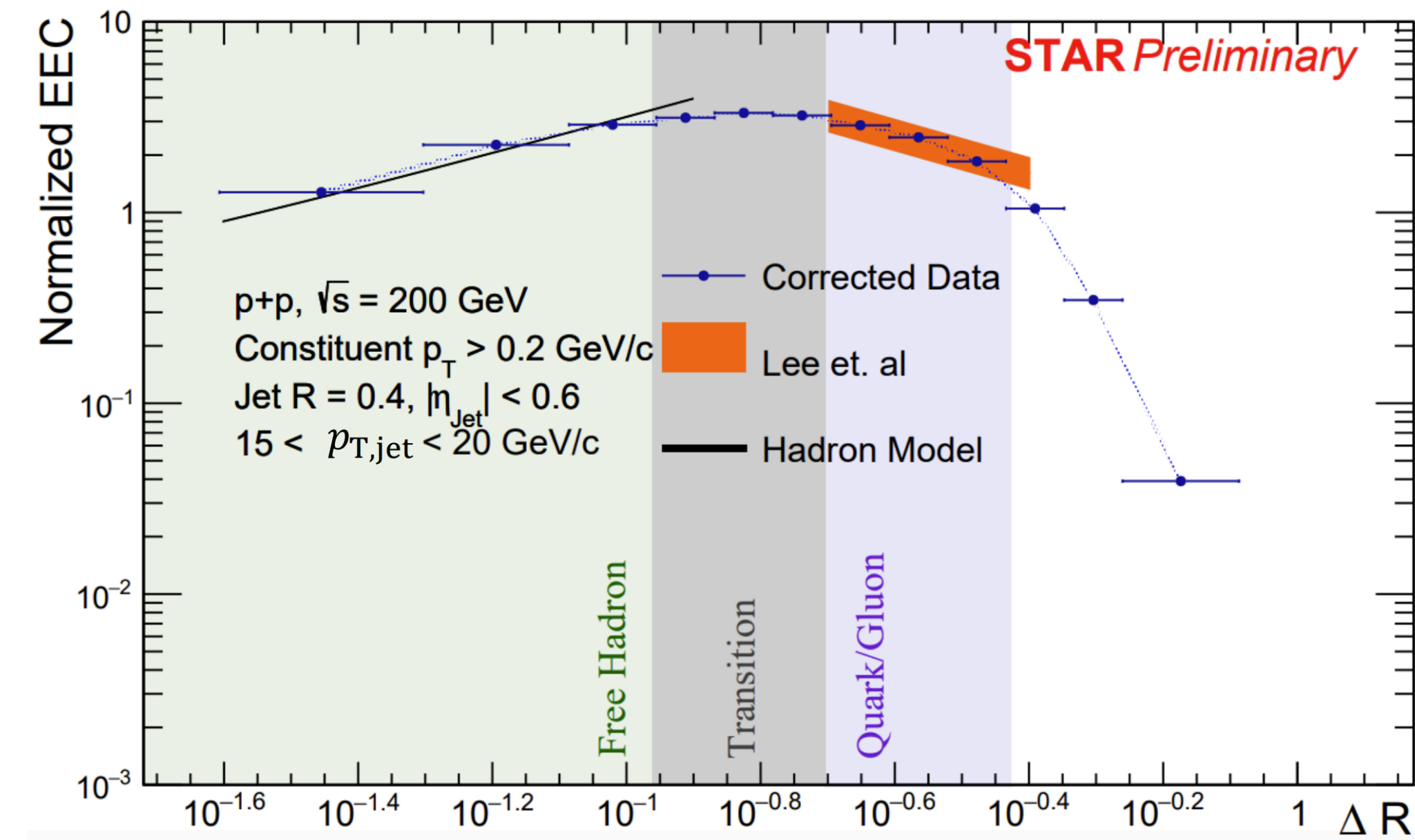


- Change in scaling when virtuality $\sim p_T R_L \sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$ so $R_L^{\text{transition}} \propto 1/p_T$
- No need to recluster or remove npQCD contributions
- Simple scaling in the **hadronic** and **partonic** regimes

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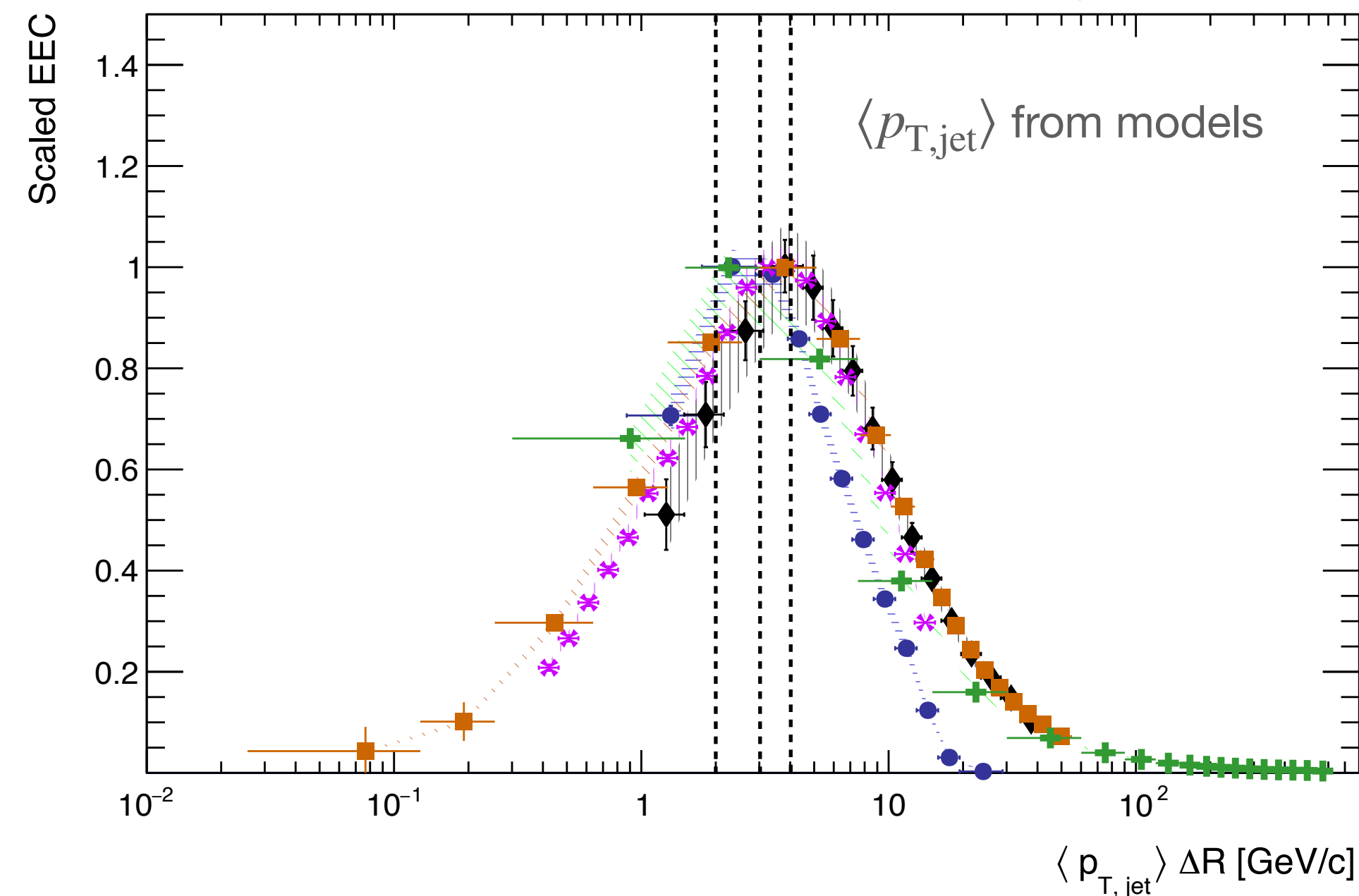


- Data agree well with NLL pQCD calculation (& MC model, not shown)
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- ◆— ALICE Preliminary: $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV, $60 < \text{Charged Jet } p_T < 80$ GeV/c
- CMS Preliminary: $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV $97 < \text{Full Jet } p_T < 220$ GeV/c
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CMS: Lu, Boost '23
 ALICE: Fan, Quark Matter '23

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- Testing universality of transition region by comparing to LHC data:
- ~ 2 orders of magnitude in \sqrt{s} and $p_{T,\text{jet}}$ from STAR \rightarrow ALICE \rightarrow CMS, transition $\sim 2 - 4$ GeV/c
- STAR more similar to CMS high- p_T (high- x) jets than ALICE or CMS low- p_T jets — **q vs. g** differences

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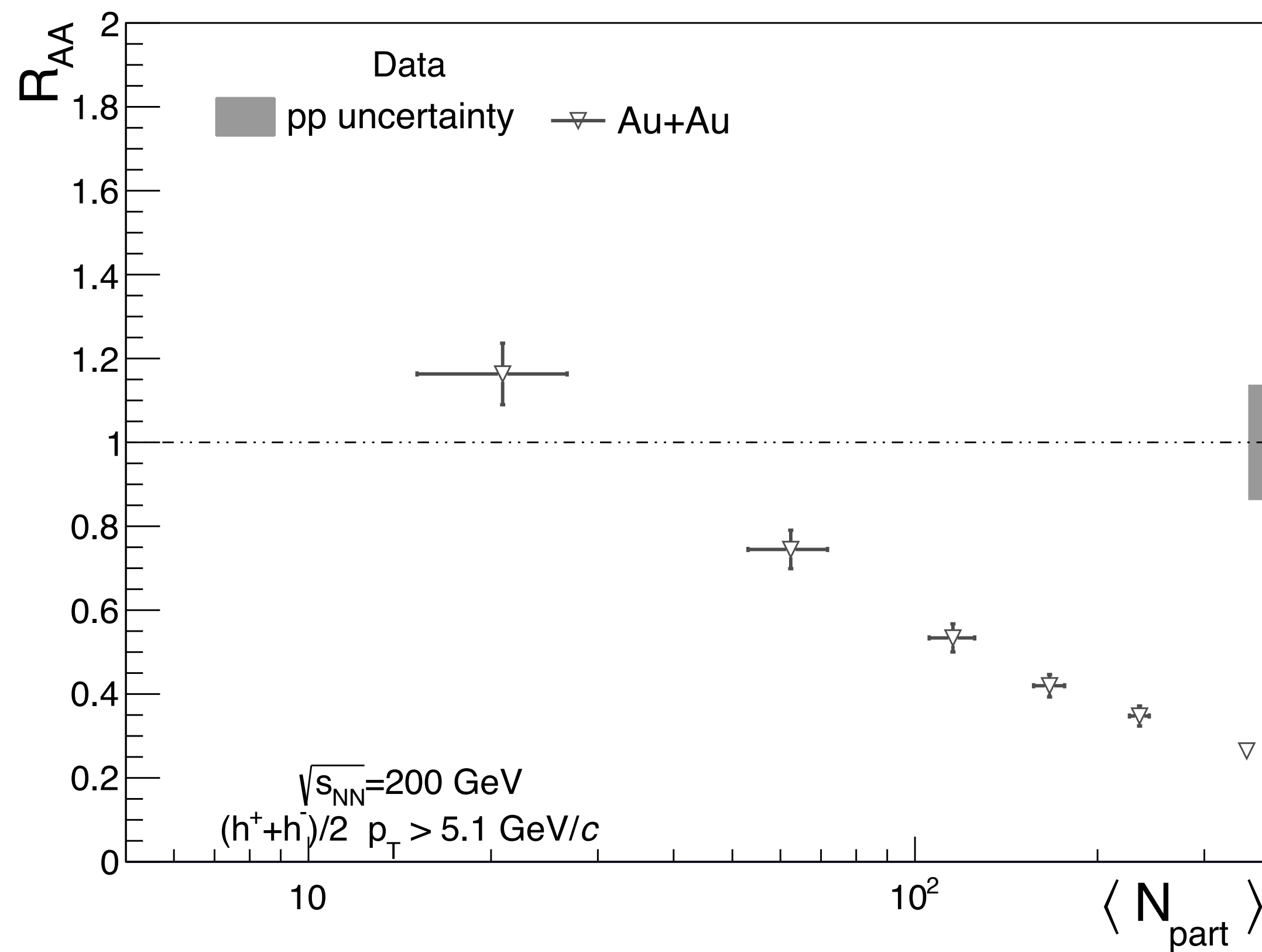
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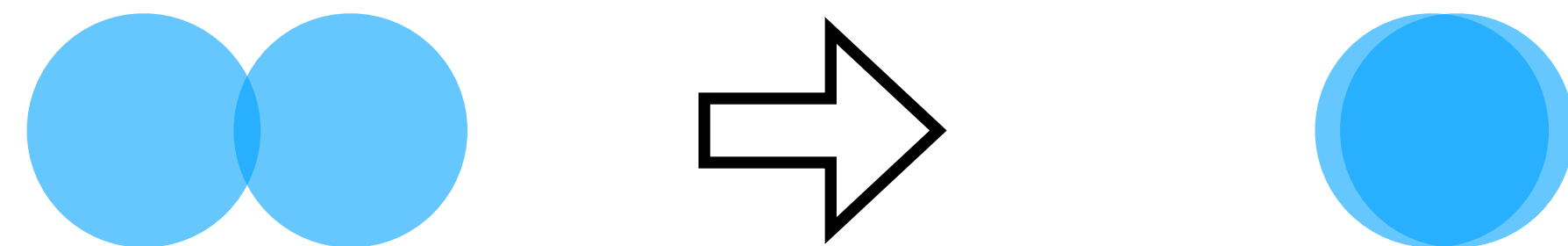
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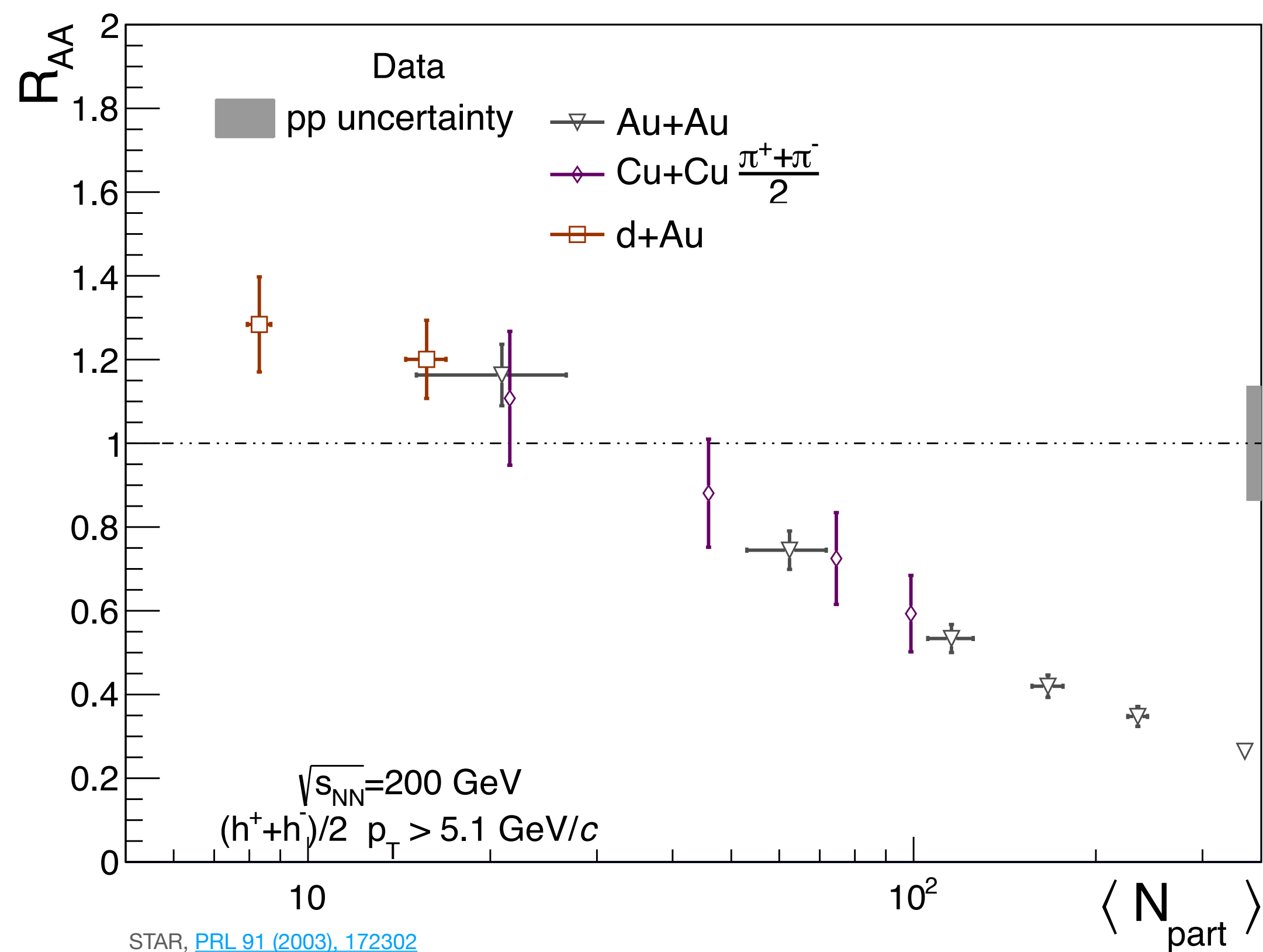
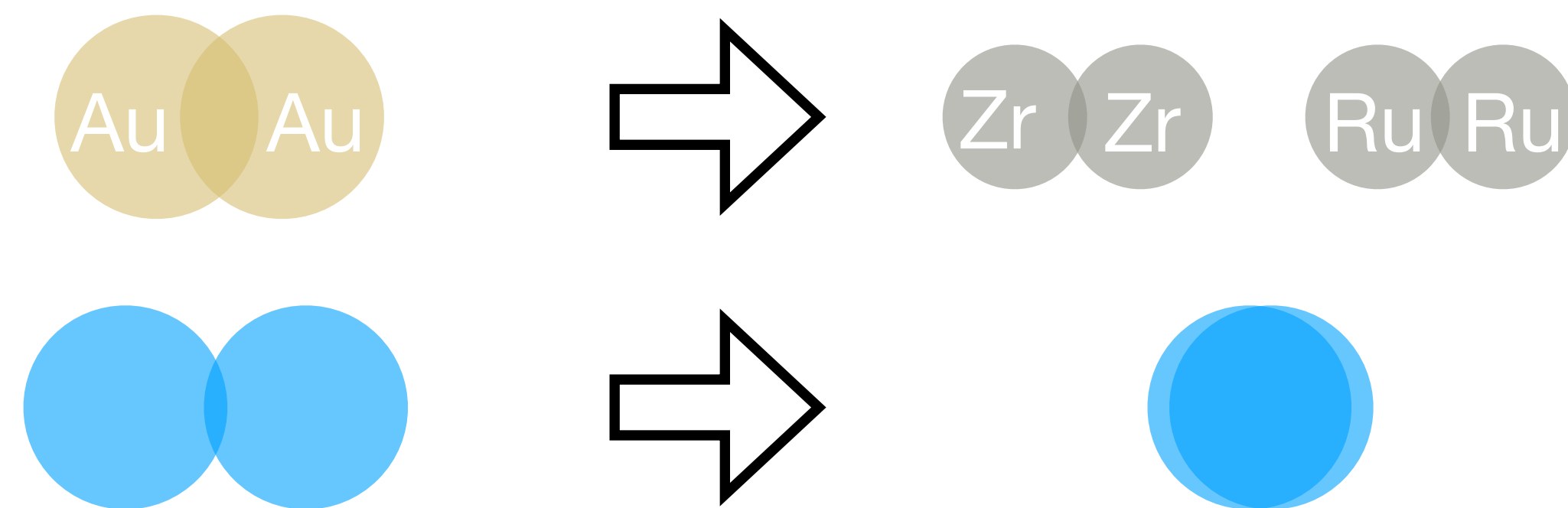
STAR, [PRL 91 \(2003\), 172302](https://arxiv.org/abs/nucl-ex/0204002)



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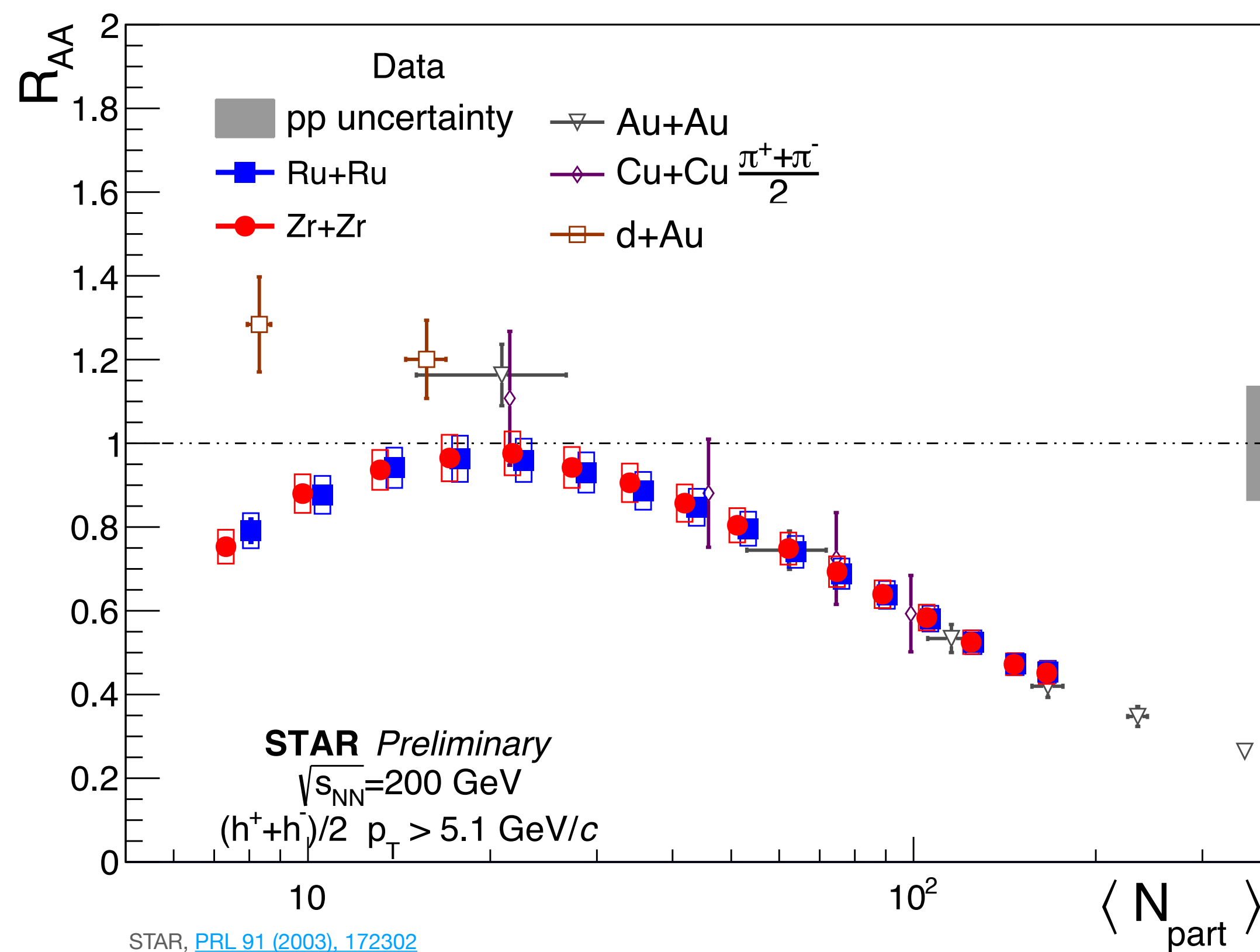


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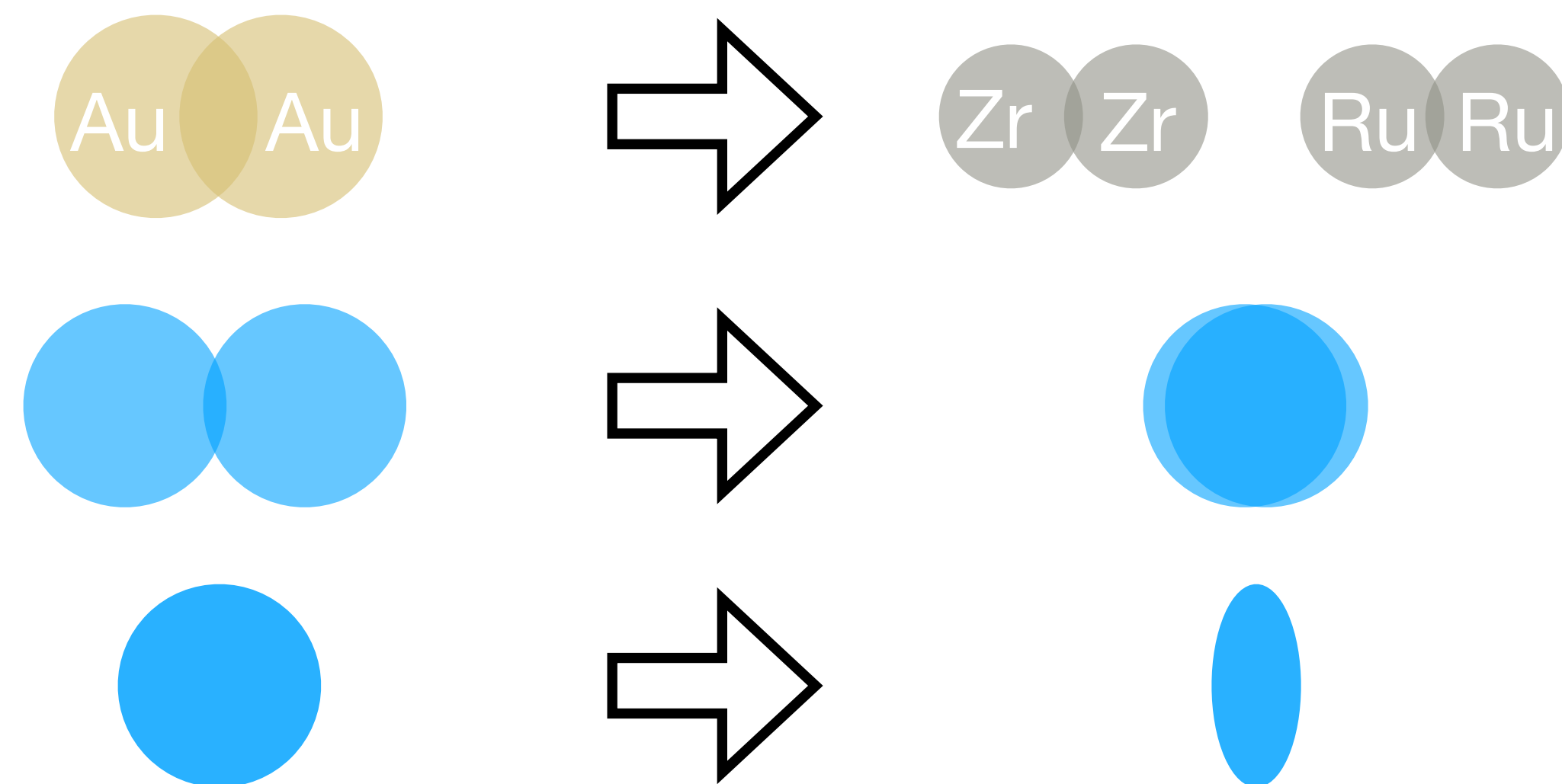
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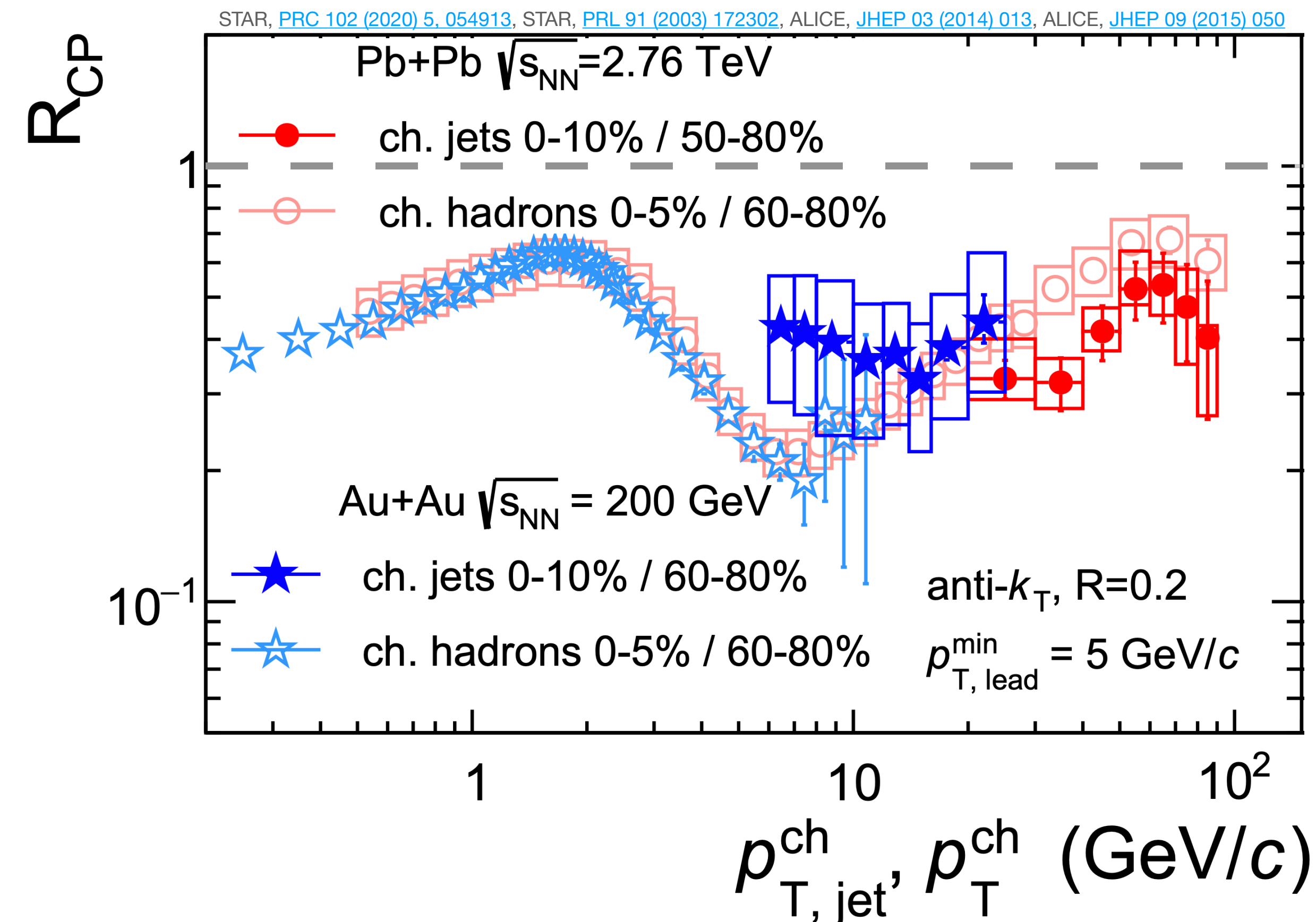


- R_{AA} scales with $\langle N_{part} \rangle$ independent of collision species (system size), above ~ 20
- Later: for given $\langle N_{part} \rangle$, how does geometry influence E -loss?

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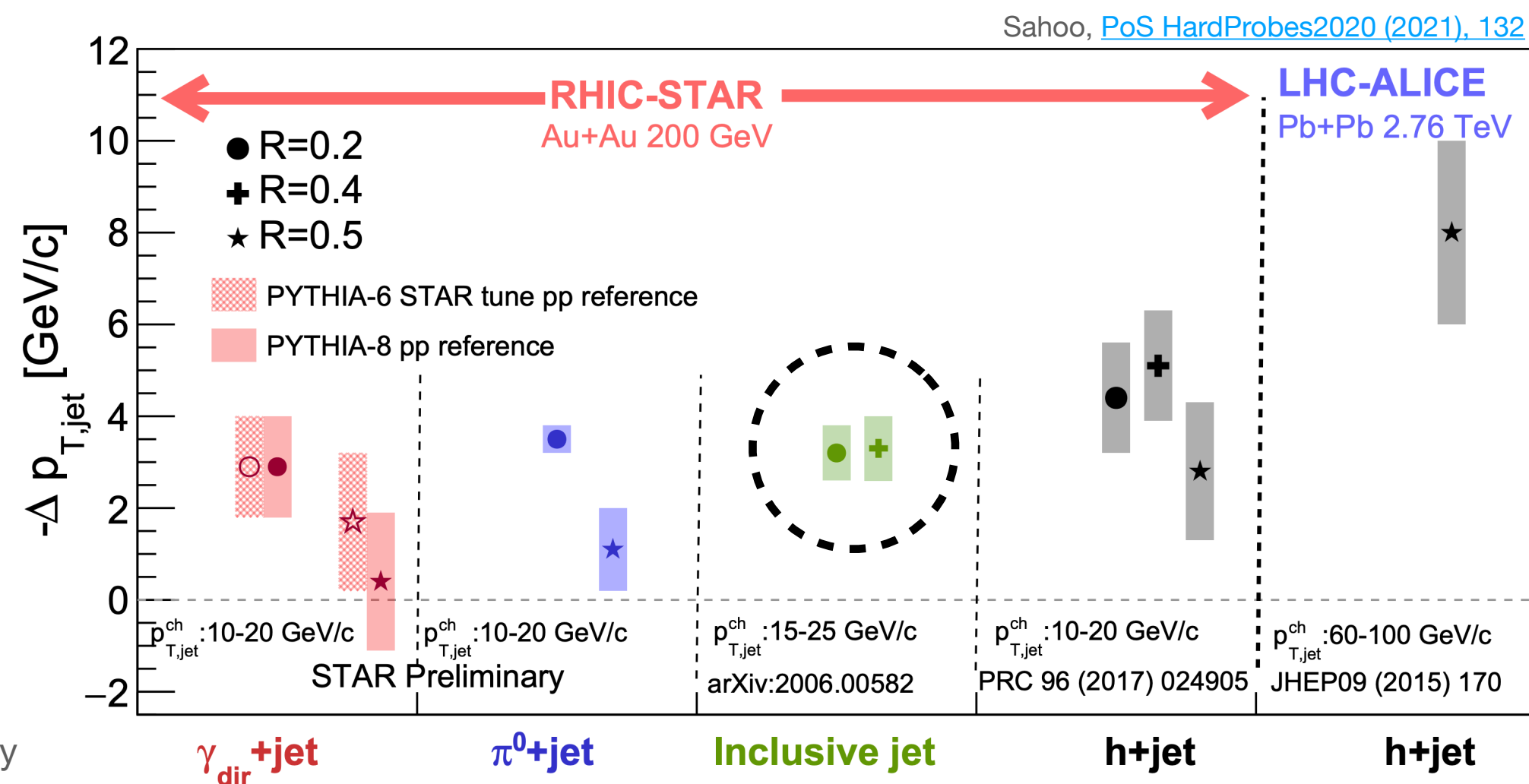
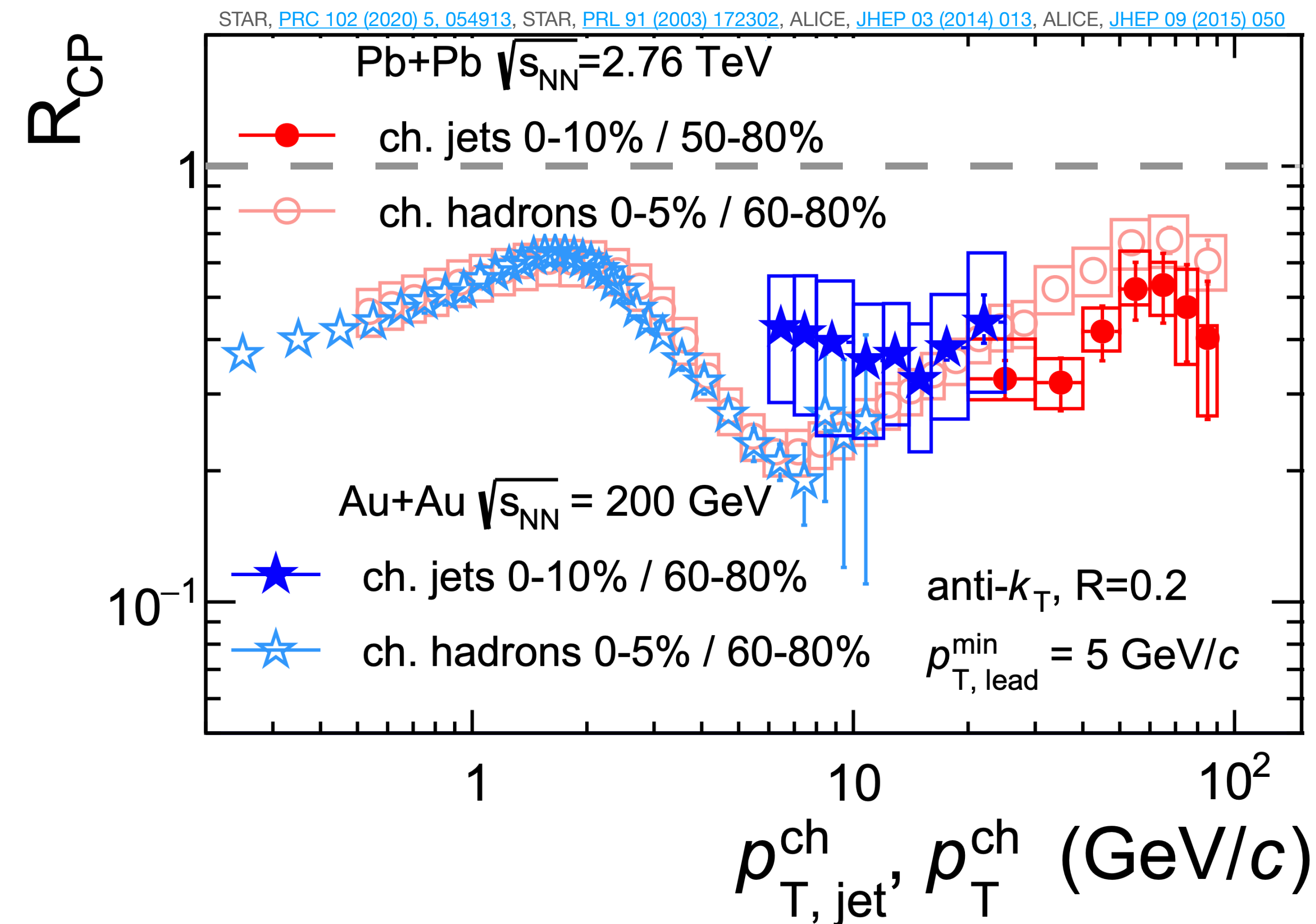


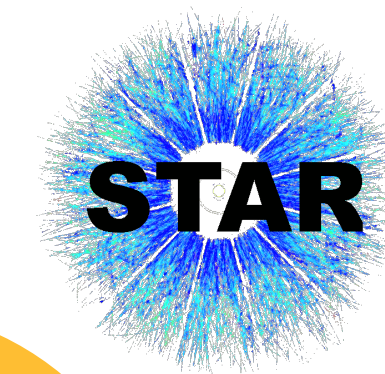
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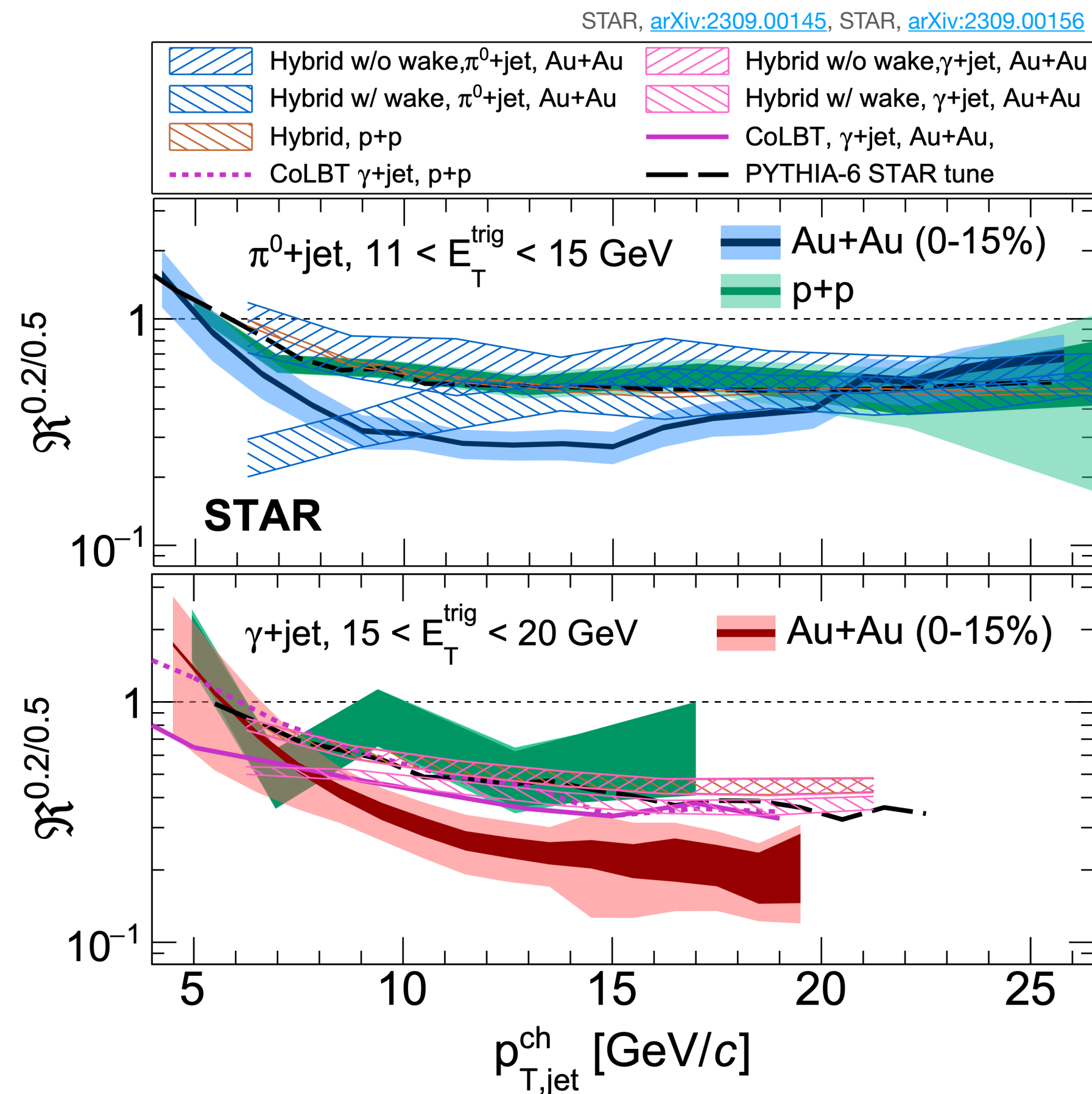
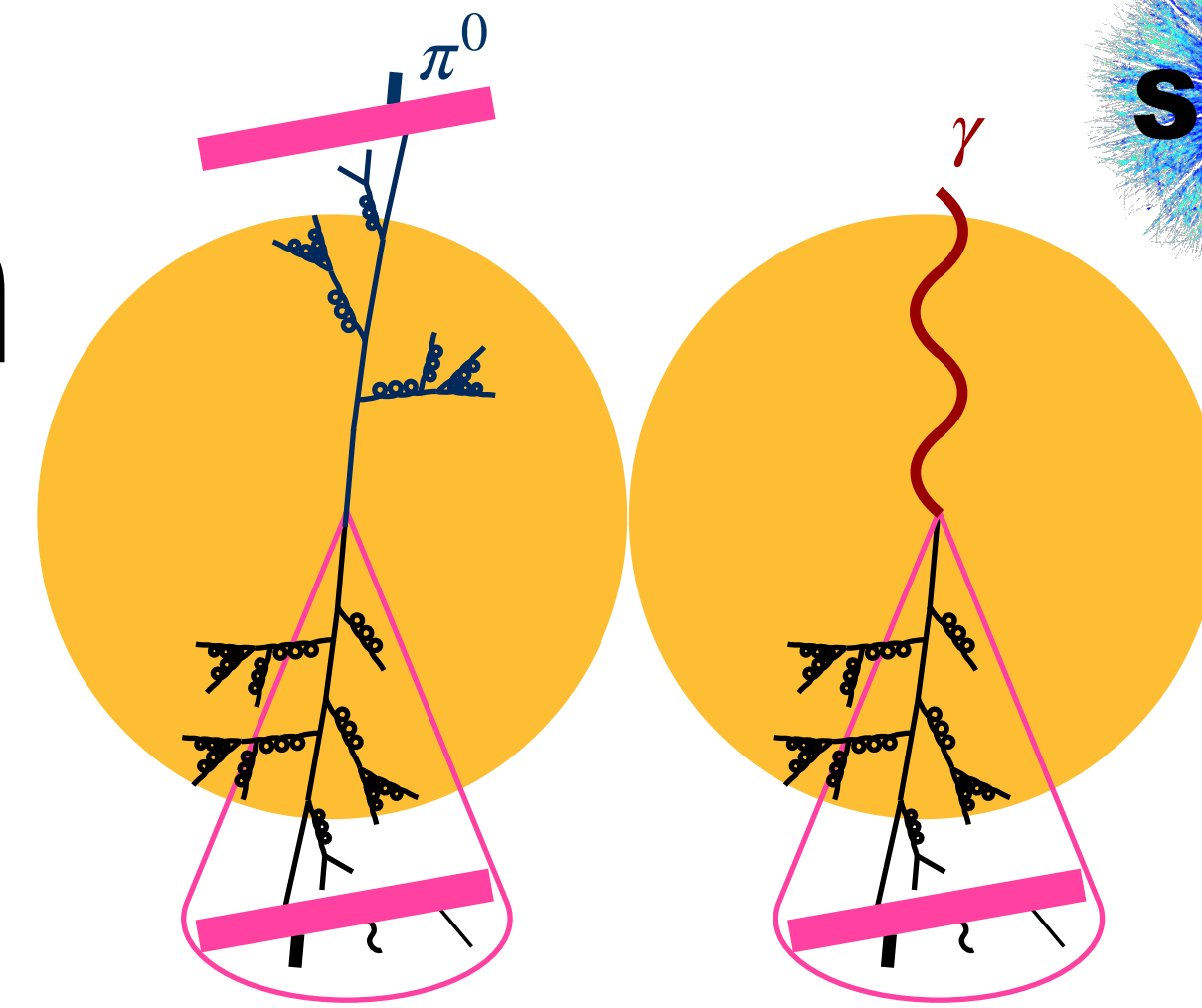
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Absolute, smaller. Relative, *larger!*



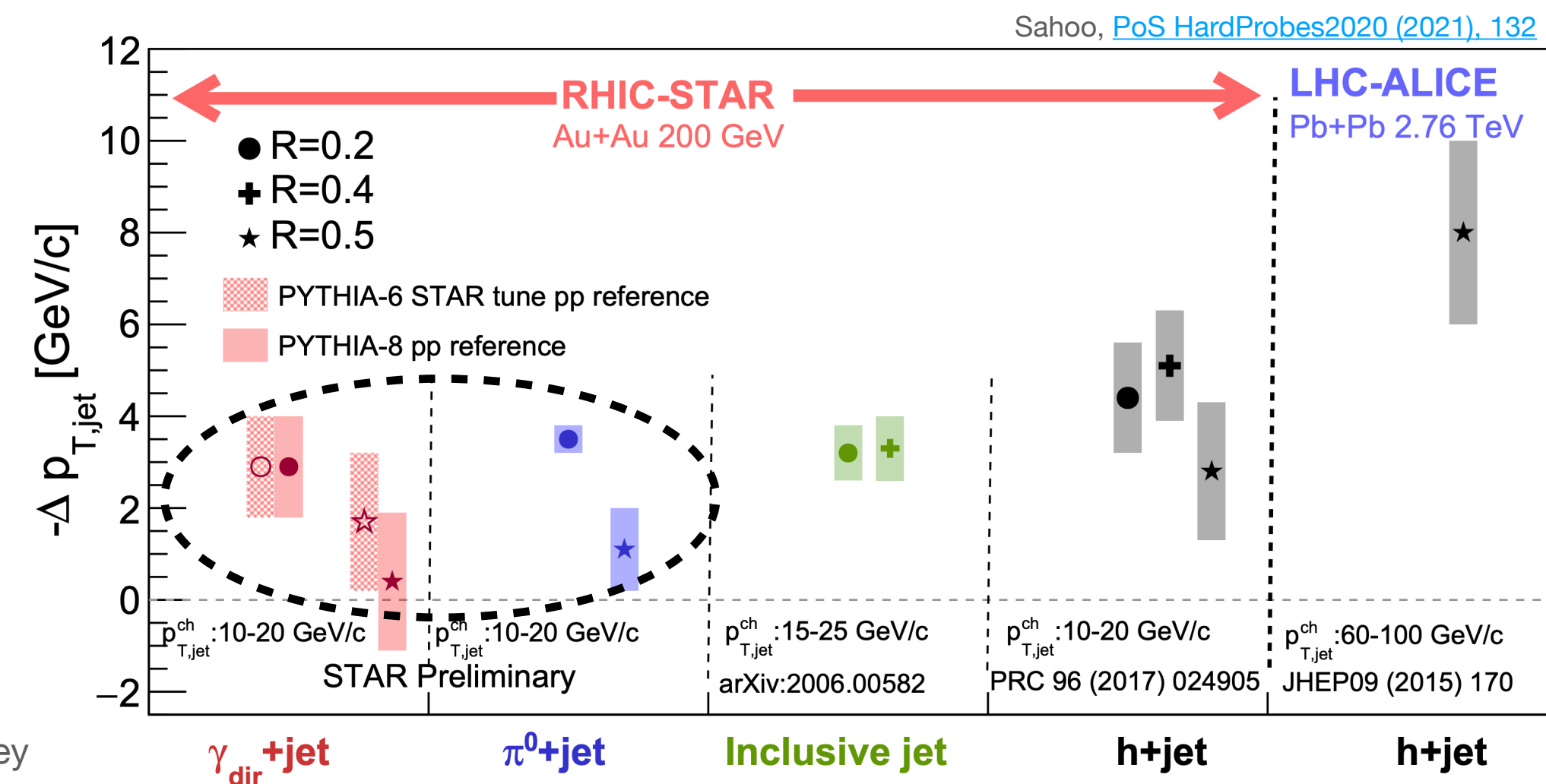


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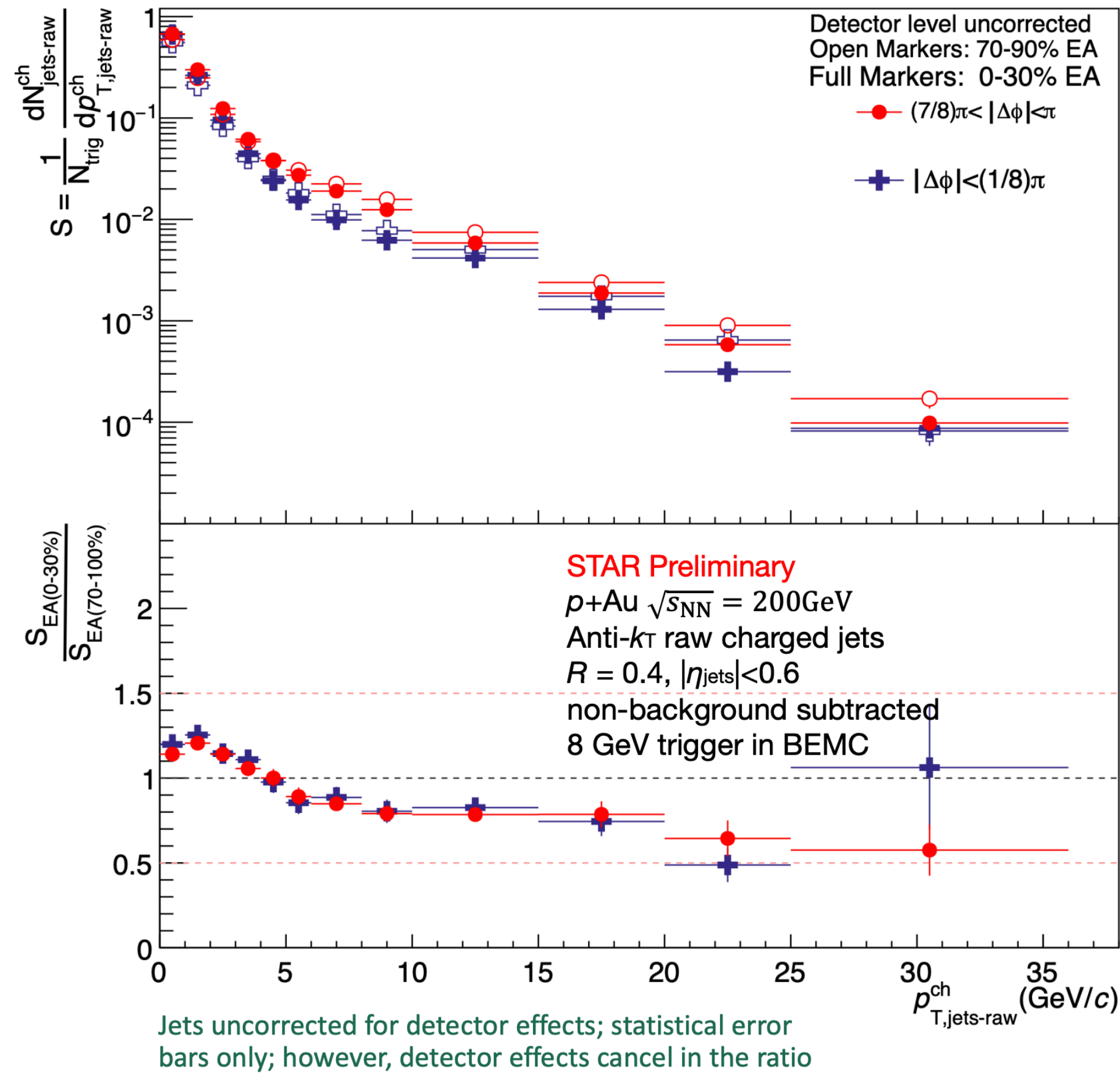
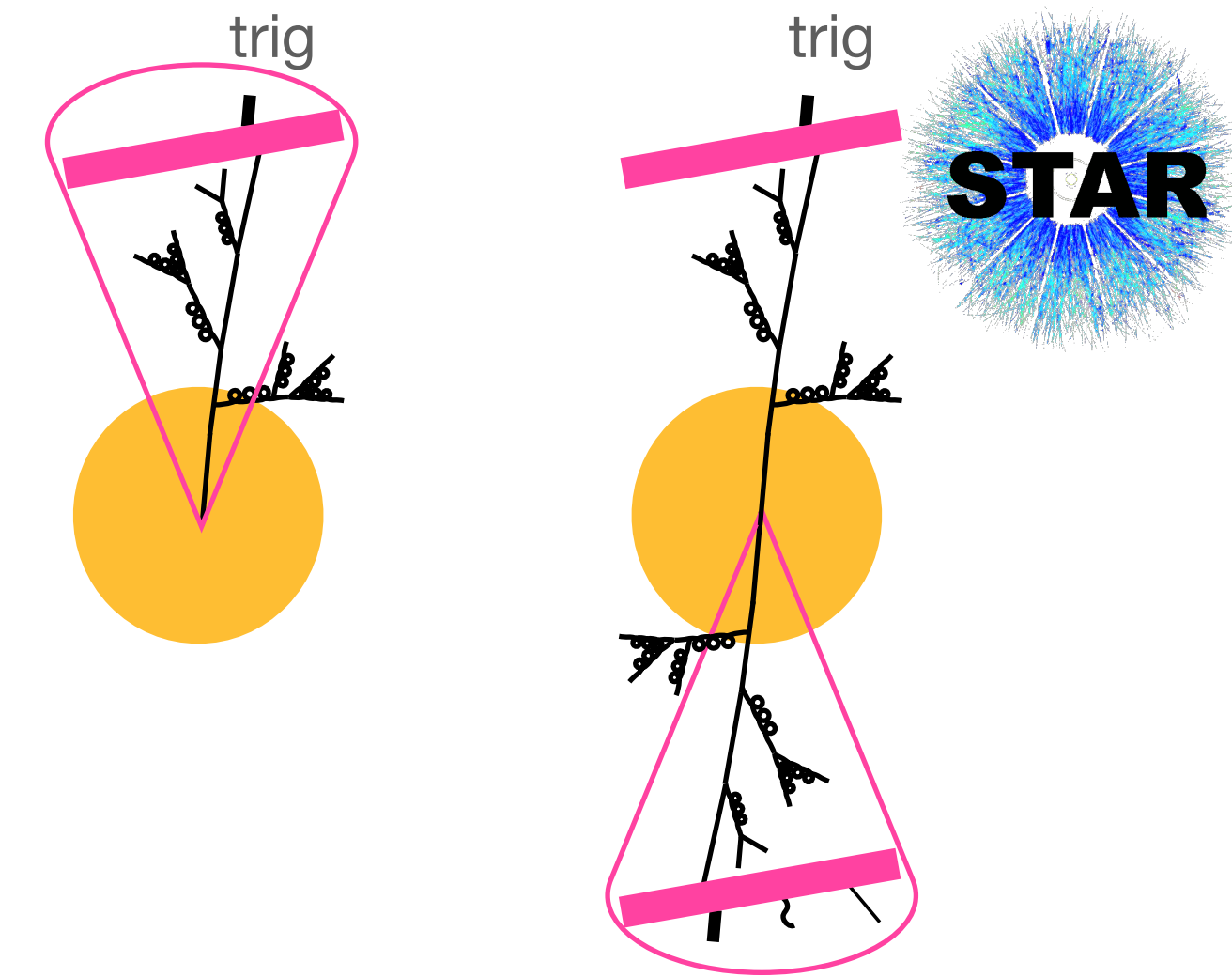
$$I_{AA} = Y^{AA}(p_{T,jet}^{ch}, R) / Y^{pp}(p_{T,jet}^{ch}, R), Y(p_{T,jet}^{ch}, R) = \frac{1}{N_{trig}} \int_{3\pi/4}^{5\pi/4} d\Delta\phi \left[\frac{d^2 N_{jet}(R)}{dp_{T,jet}^{ch} d\Delta\phi} \right]_{E_T^{trig} \in [E_T^{min}, E_T^{max}]}$$



- Recoil jet yield suppression in AuAu, stronger in small R jets
- Clear observation of *intra-jet broadening*
- Models unable to quantitatively describe the effect



Semi-inclusive yield modification in pAu collisions



- ¹CMS, [JHEP 09 \(2010\), 091](#)
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- ⁴ATLAS, [PLB 748 \(2015\), 392](#)
- ⁵PHENIX, [PRL 116 \(2016\), 122301](#)
- ⁶ALICE, [Nat. Phys. 13 \(2017\), 535](#)

- Hot nuclear matter effects in pAu collisions?^{1,2,3,4,5,6,...}
- Jet yield suppression, but on both *near* and *away* side → not surface bias as typical in AA with high p_{T} trigger...
- Jet substructure*, dijet p_{T} balance A_{J}^* also unmodified
- Anti-correlation of event activity at large rapidity with jet p_{T} at mid-rapidity* suggests $t \sim 0$ kinematics^{7,8}

*not shown

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with *multi-dimensional jet substructure*

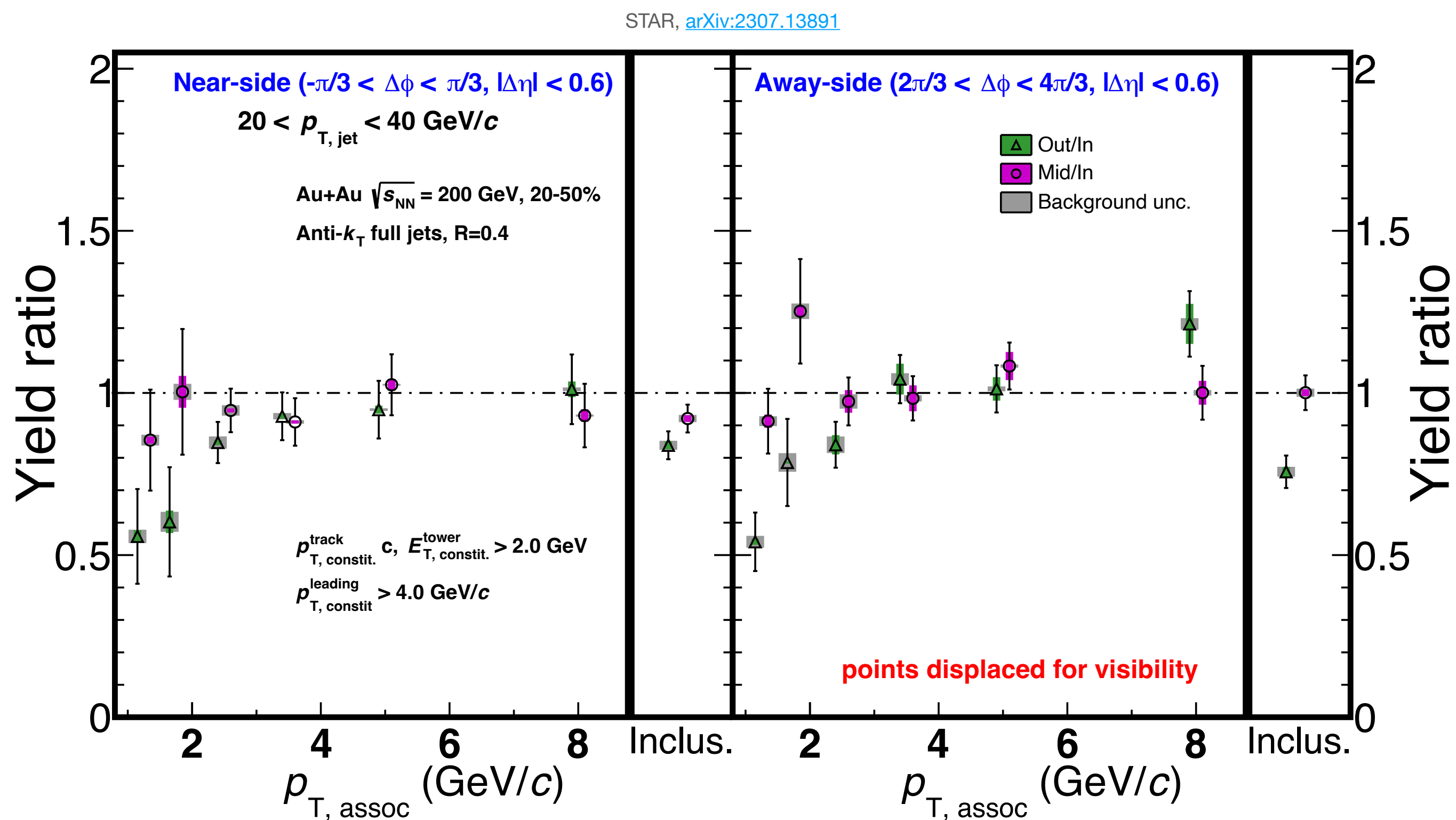
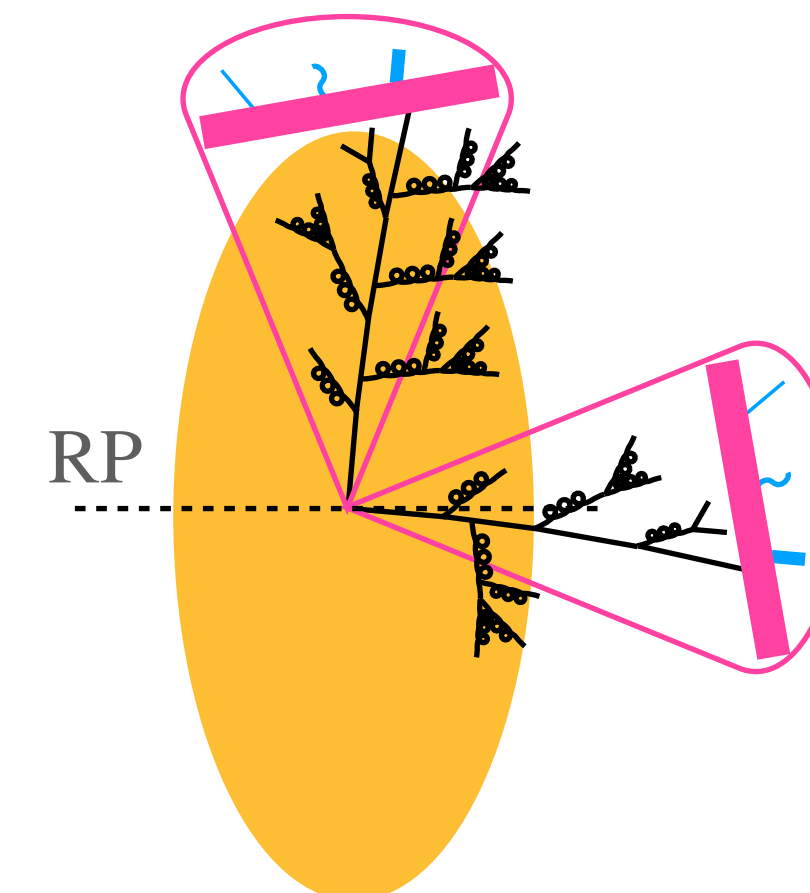
Separating p-QCD and np-QCD
with *energy correlators*

Energy flows

Path-length dependence of jet energy loss in medium
with *jet anisotropies (with respect to event plane)*

Energy-density dependence of jet energy loss in medium;
angular distribution of radiation in quenched jets
with *inclusive/semi-inclusive jet & high- p_T hadron yields*

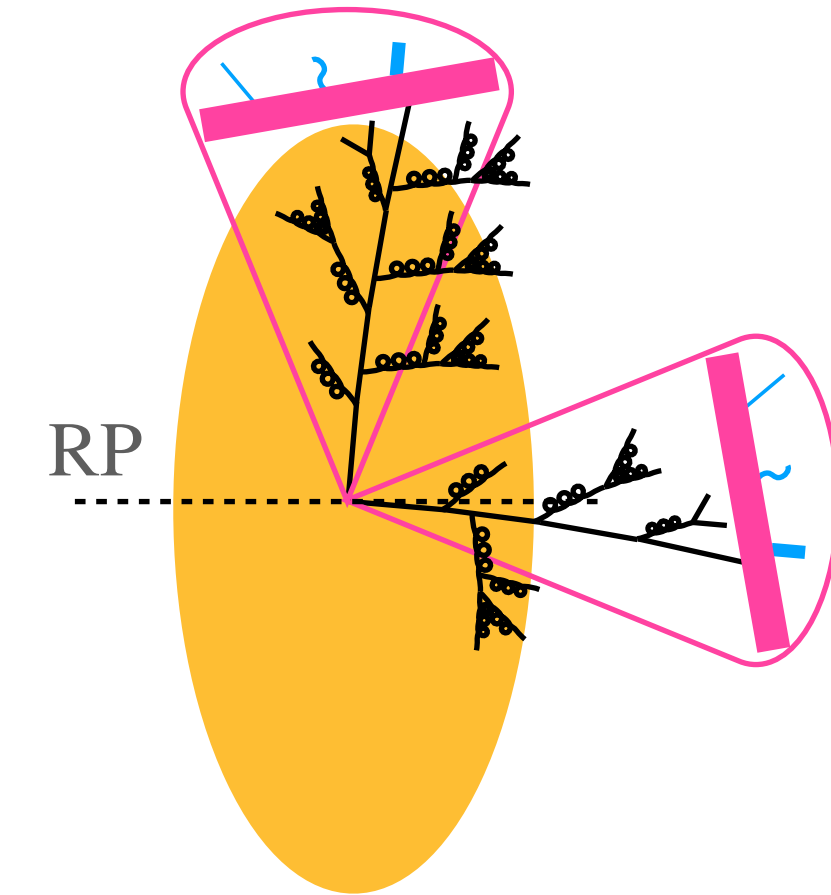
Event plane (EP) dep. of associated hadron yields



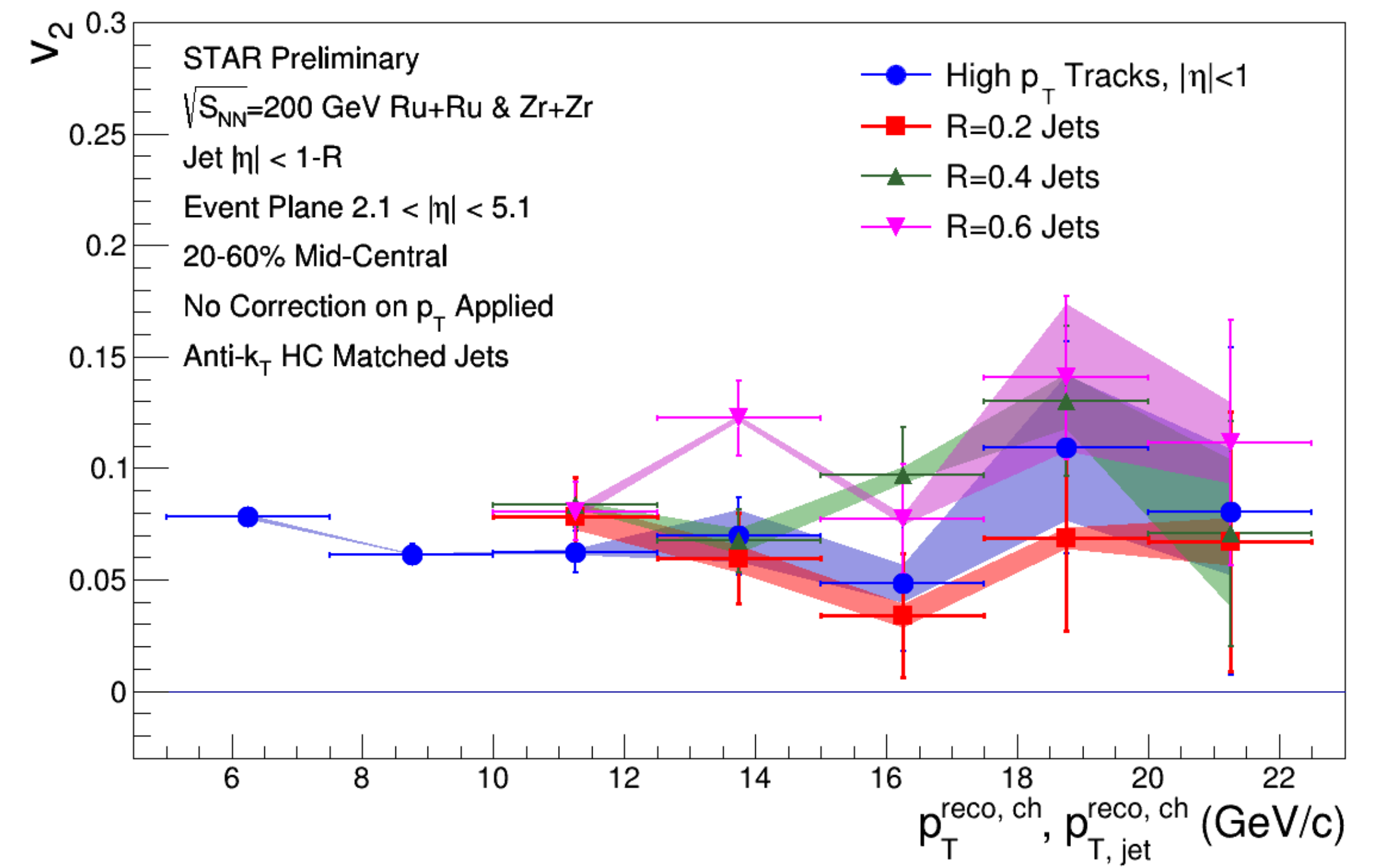
- *Expectation*: high (low)- p_T suppression (enhancement) for out-of-plane (OOP) vs. in-plane (IP) jets: path-length dependent quenching
- No significant deviation from unity within uncertainties
- Jet energy loss / medium density fluctuations spoiling effect?

Jet v_2

$$v_n(p_T, y) = \langle \cos(n(\phi - \Psi_{RP})) \rangle$$



- New forward detector at STAR, *EPD*, gives improved reaction plane (RP) resolution, no autocorrelation with mid-rapidity measurement
- v_2 in this context linked to **path-length dependent quenching**, not flow
- Clear v_2 signal, independent of jet R , p_T , in high-statistics isobar data



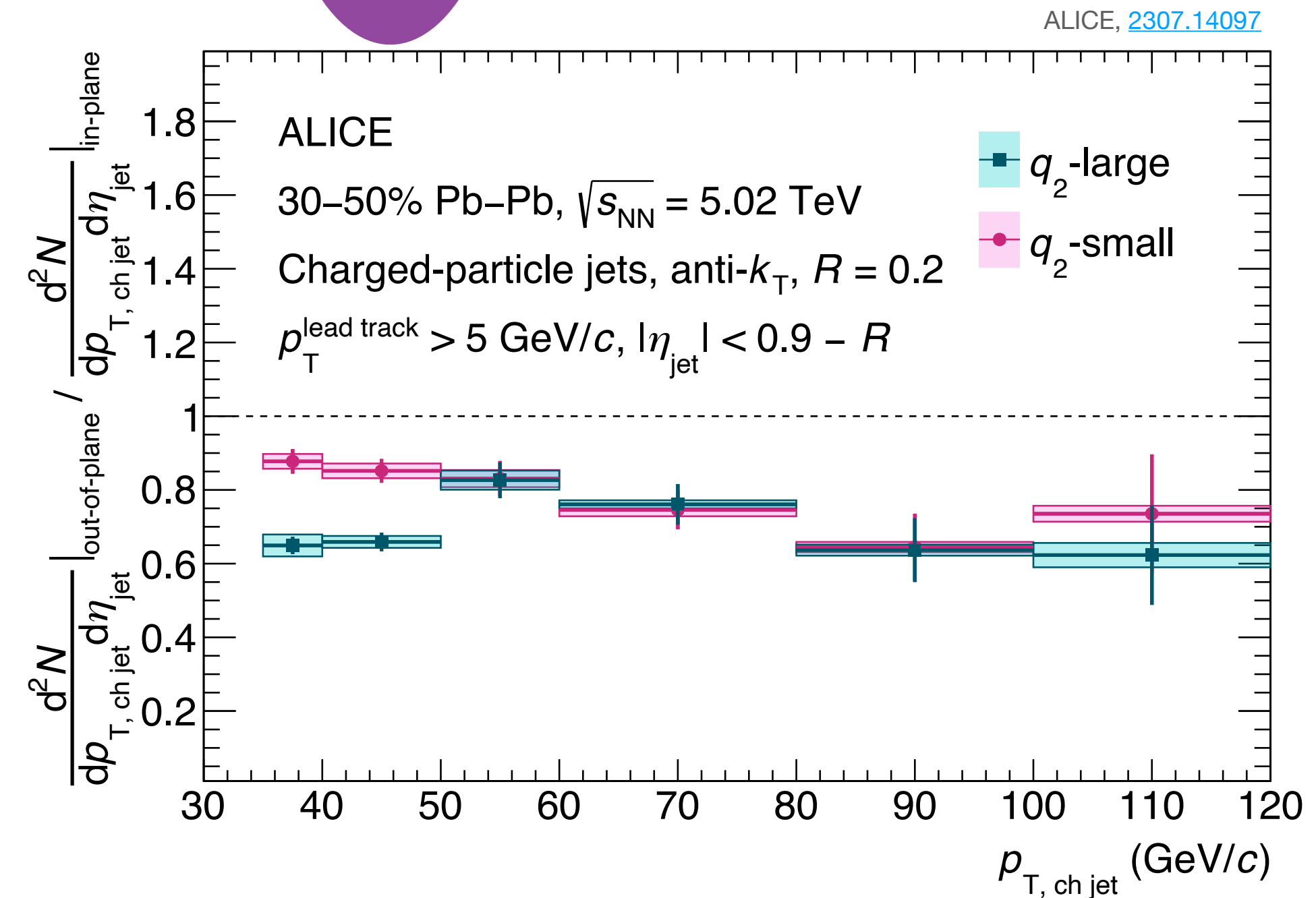
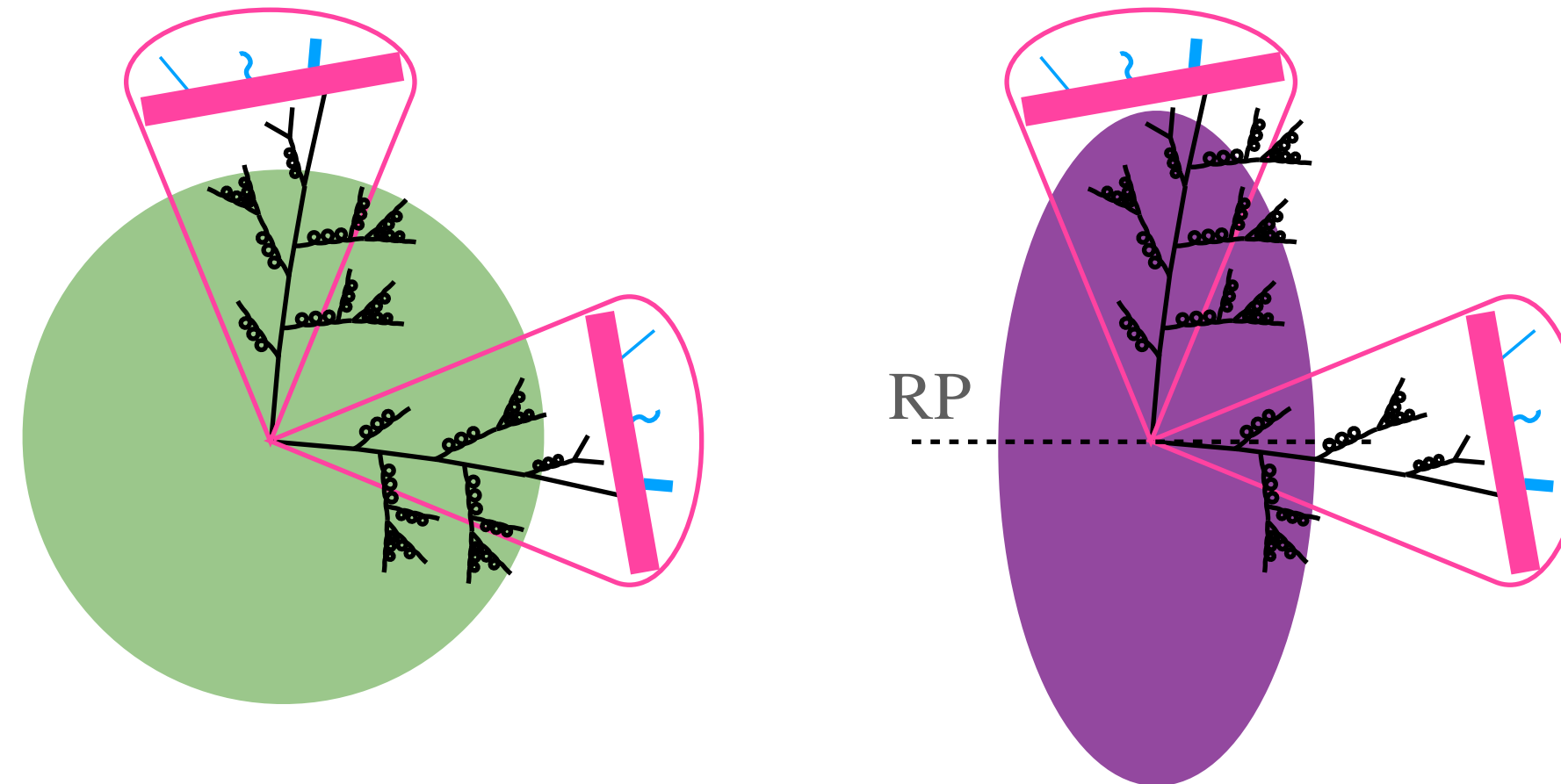
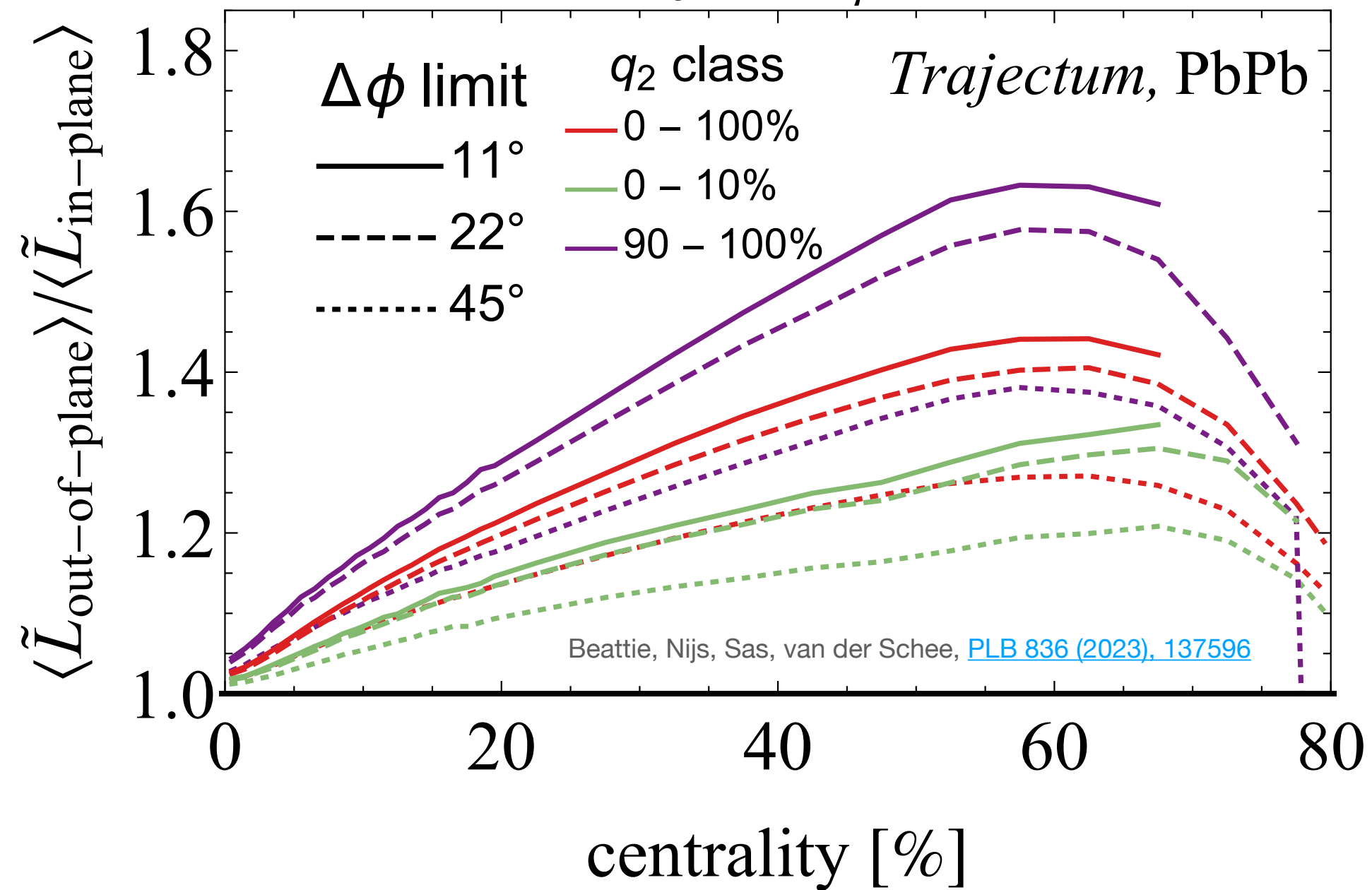
Event-shape engineering¹

$$Q_2 = \left(\sum_{i=1}^M w_i \cos(2\phi_i), \sum_{i=1}^M w_i \sin(2\phi_i) \right), \quad q_2 = |Q_2|/\sqrt{M},$$

w_i : nMIP weight, M : multiplicity

$$v_2 = \langle \cos(2(\phi - \Psi_2)) \rangle$$

$$\tilde{L} = \int 1/\gamma u_\mu dL^\mu$$



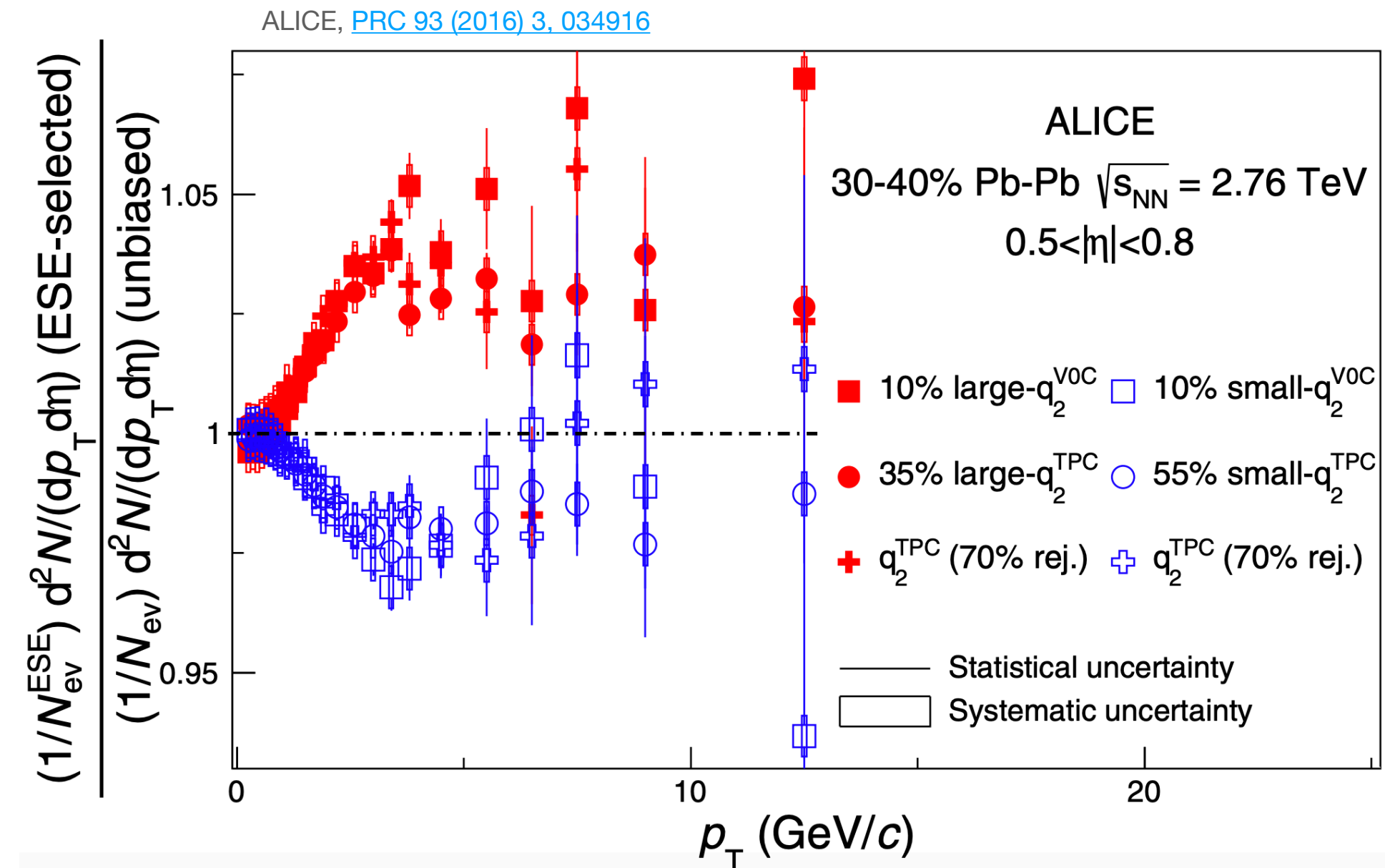
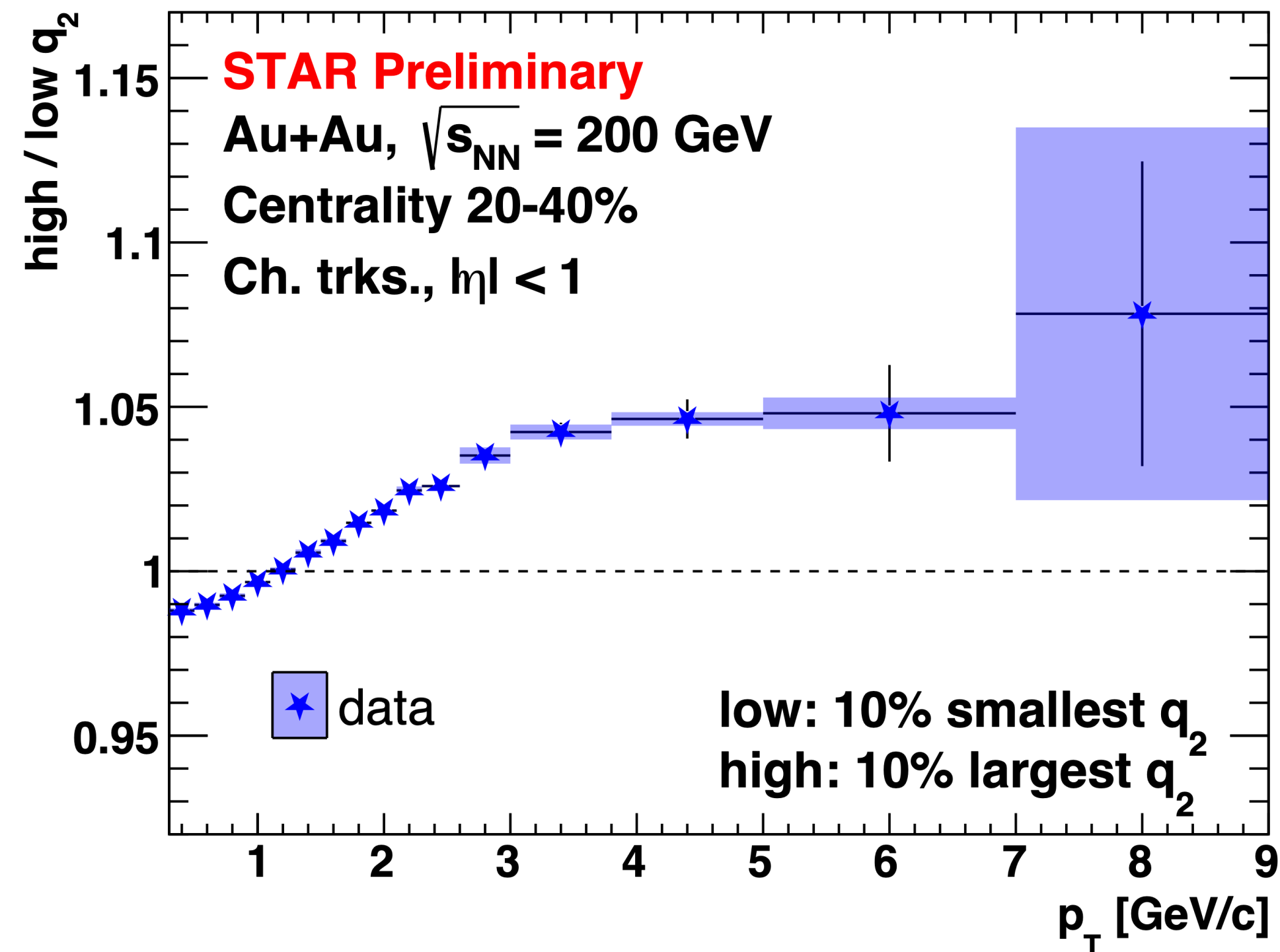
- Select on the shape using reduced flow vector q_2
→ average path length difference in Trajectum model
- ALICE: low- p_T difference in IP, OOP yields for highly elliptical events

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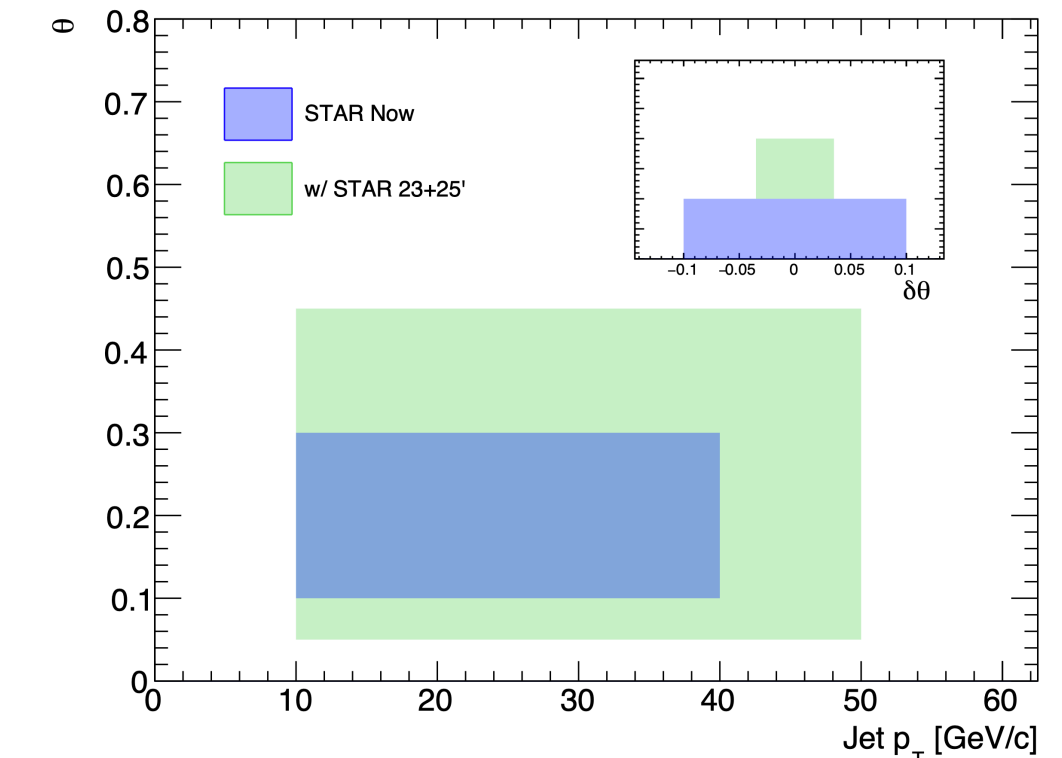
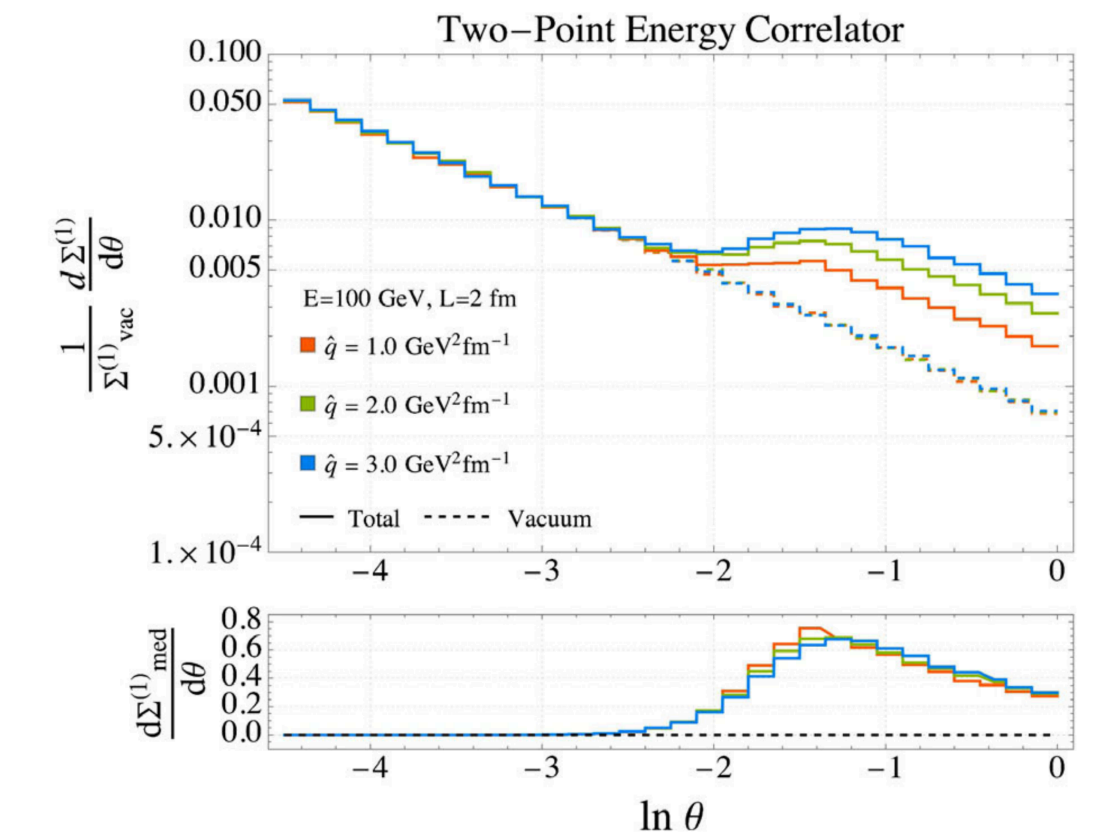
- STAR analysis ongoing — without selecting on EP angle, see enhancement at mid- p_T of charged track yields, for high vs. low q_2 events
- Interplay between eccentricity/density, elliptic/radial flow. Also observed by ALICE

Future prospects

Energy flows

Andres, Dominguez, Kunnawalkam Elayavalli, Holguin, Marquet, Moul, [PRL 130 \(2023\) 26, 262301](https://arxiv.org/abs/2208.12301)

- *Generalized angularities*: less conservative systematic uncertainties, extension to jet momentum profile $\rho(r)$
- *EECs*: higher orders; charge-dependent; in heavy-ion collisions
- R_{AA} : analyzing R_{pAu}
- *Jet v_2* : extended to OO collisions, studying non-flow contribution
- *Event shape engineering*: event-plane angle dependence study in progress
- *Runs 23+25^{1,2}*: expected $\sim 3x$ increase in statistics relative to current AA analyses w/ Run 14 \rightarrow improved uncertainties e.g. for $\gamma_{dir}+jet$ I_{AA} , and **kinematic reach / overlap with LHC**



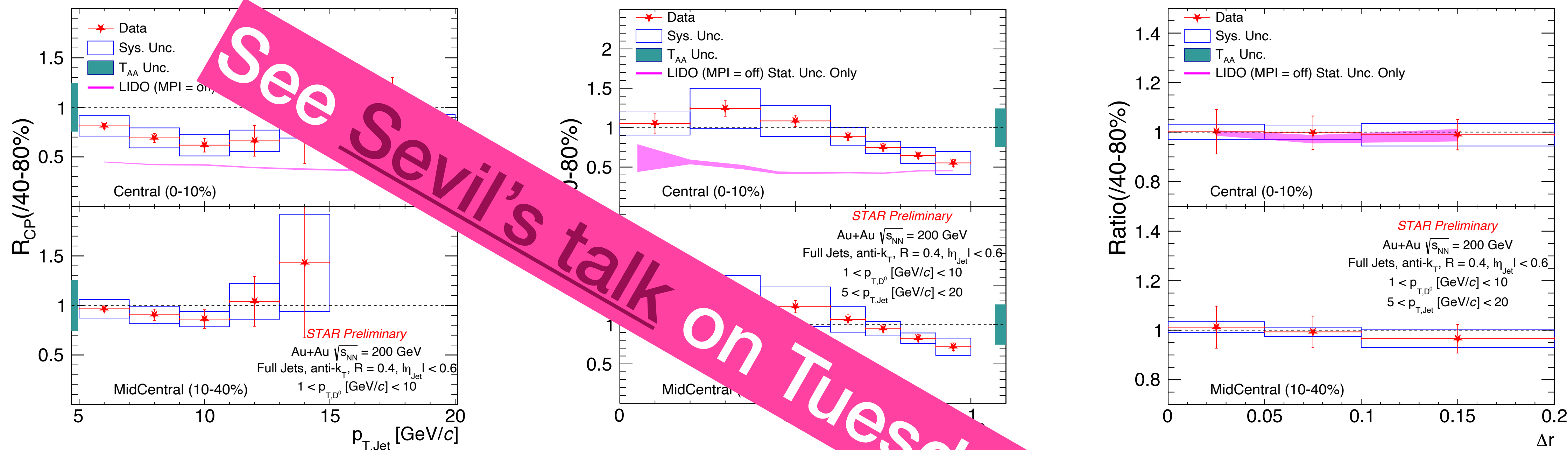
Charm quark energy loss, diffusion,
fragmentation modification in medium
with *charmed-jet yields*

Hadronization mechanism
with *flavor correlators*

Constituent identity

Hadrochemistry modification via
medium response
with *baryon-to-meson ratios*

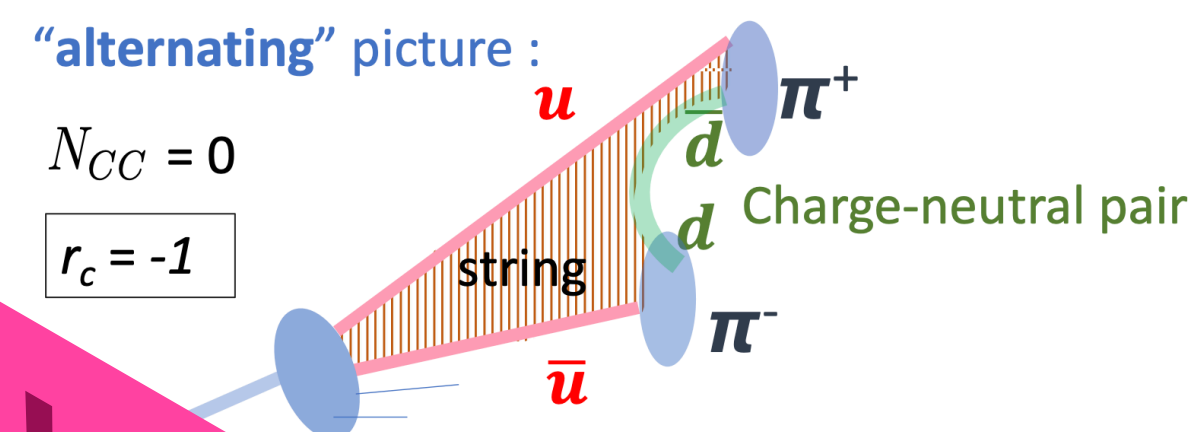
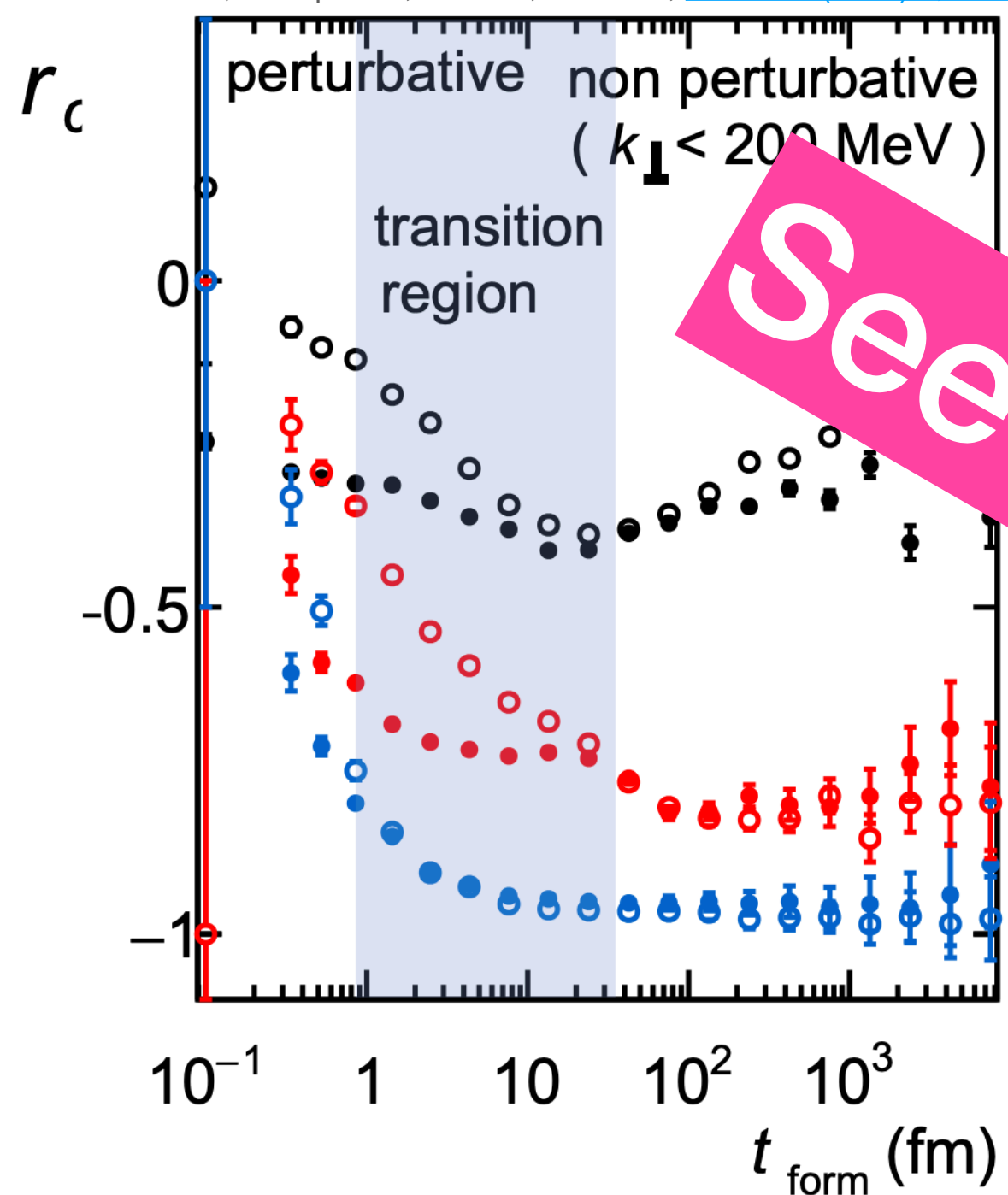
D⁰-jet spectra, profile, fragmentation



- Testing charm quark energy loss, diffusion, and fragmentation modification
- *Hint of suppression of yield at low- p_T . Hard-fragmenting charm quarks are suppressed. No diffusion.*
- Model including radiative and collisional energy loss during heavy quark propagation underpredicts central yields — MPI might be important for D⁰ p_T this low

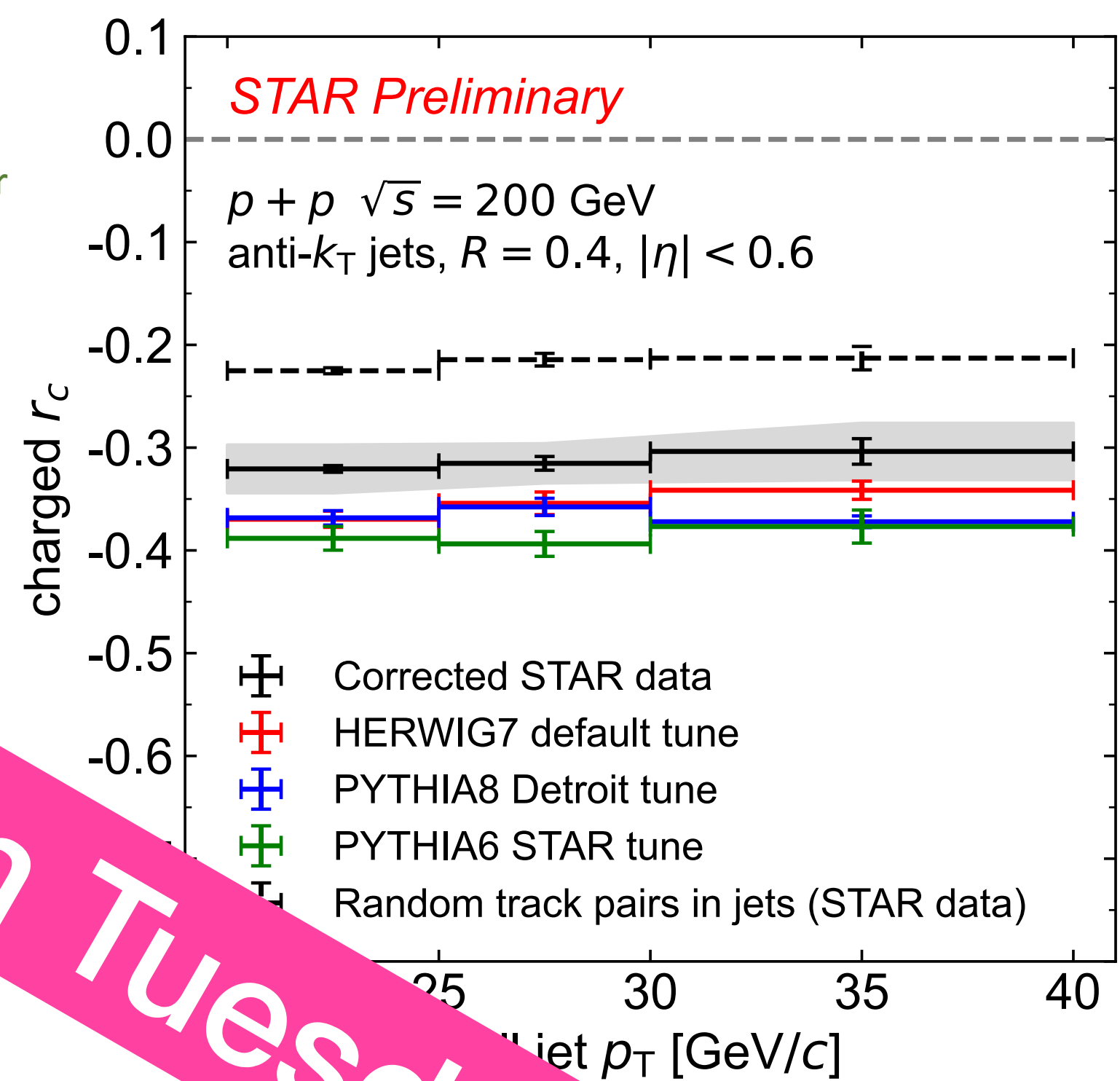
Flavor correlators in jets

Chien, Deshpande, Mondal, Sterman, [PRD 105 \(2022\) 5, L051502](#)



$$r_c(X) = \frac{d\sigma_{h_1 h_2} / dX - d\sigma_{h_1 \bar{h}_2} / dX}{d\sigma_{h_1 h_2} / dX + d\sigma_{h_1 \bar{h}_2} / dX}$$

$$r_c = \frac{N_{SS} - N_{OS}}{N_{SS} + N_{OS}}$$



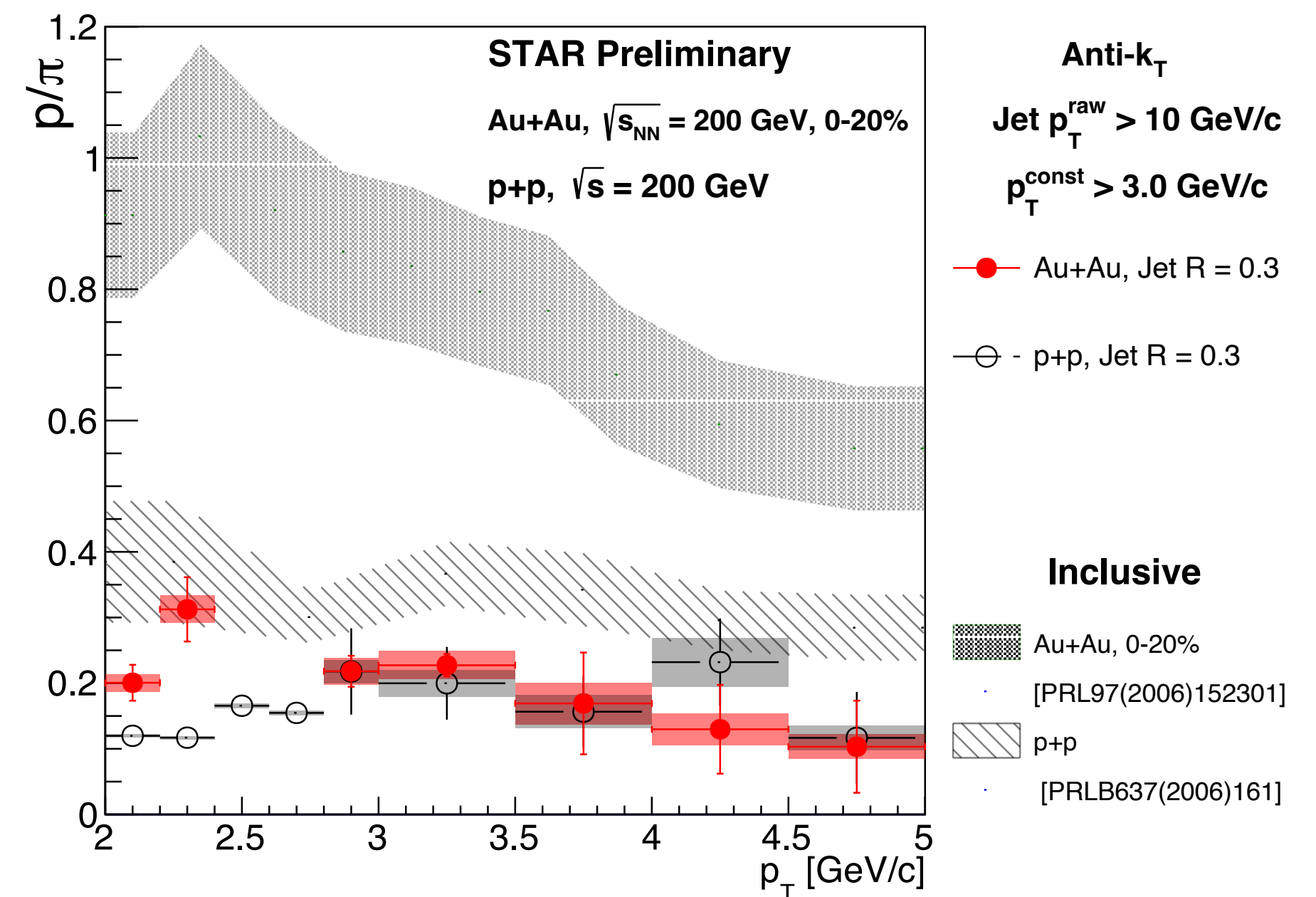
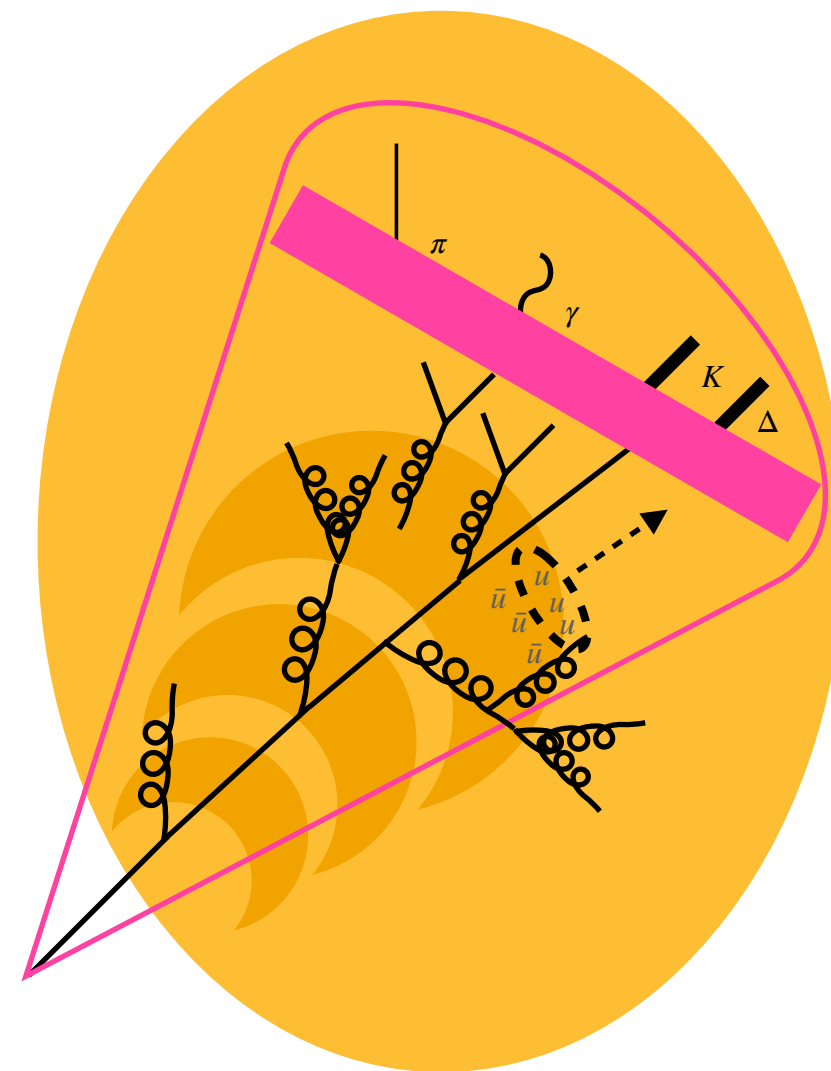
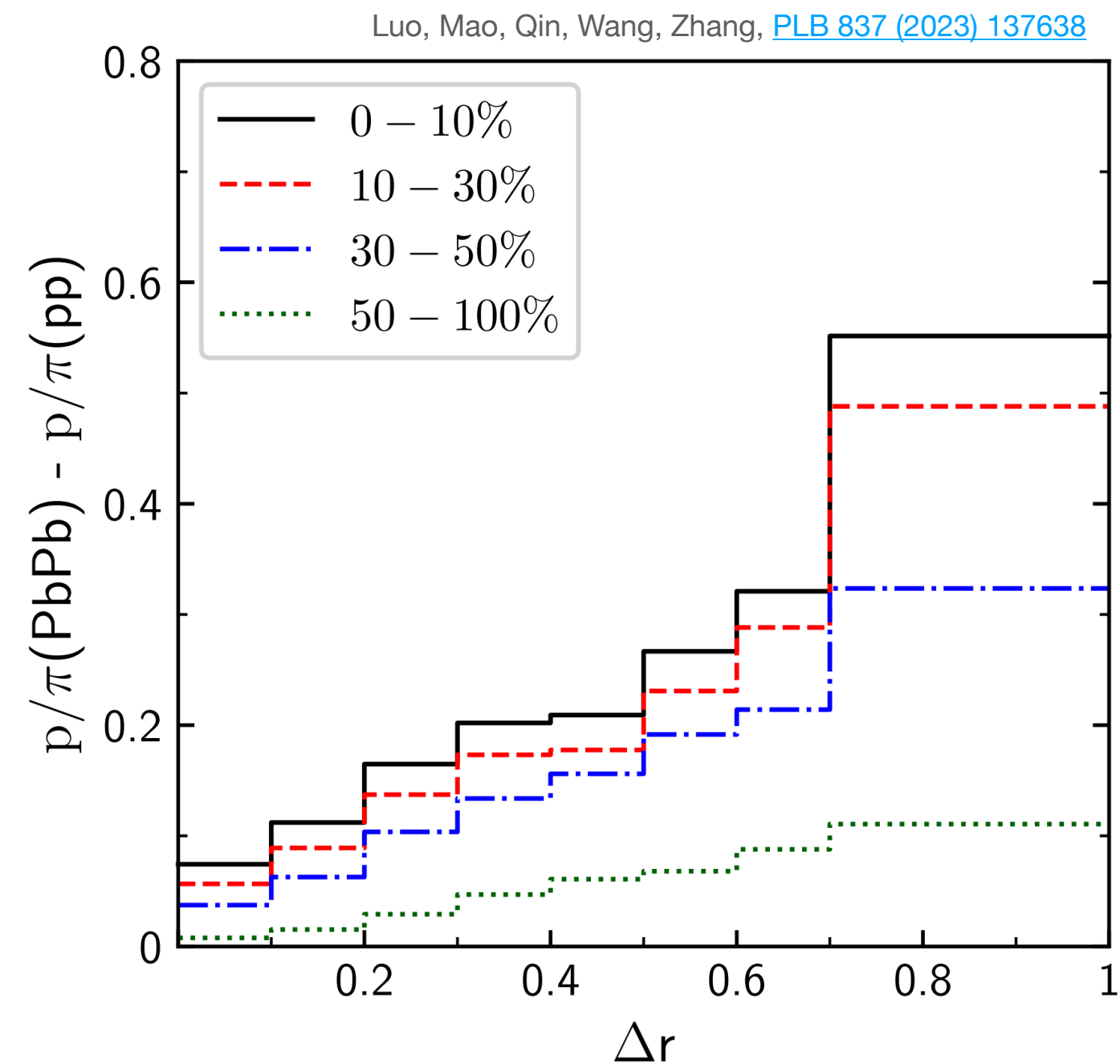
← bath of charges with no net charge
 ← jet with ~no net charge
 ← perfectly correlated

See Youqi's talk on Tuesday at 11 AM!

- r_c can probe contribution of string-like fragmentation
- First measurement in pp: Pythia predicts more string-like fragmentation than supported by data, but difficult to conclude with default tune

Baryon-to-meson ratios

Signature of medium response?



- Possible sign of parton coalescence in jet: enhanced baryon-to-meson ratio in AA
- No observed modification of *in-jet* p/π ratio for $R = 0.3$ jets

Future prospects

Constituent identity

- *D⁰-jet*: adding another dataset to increase statistics; adding generalized angularities; tightening D⁰ p_T threshold

- r_C : extension to heavy-ion collisions underway

- Herwig tune to RHIC kinematics ongoing

- *Baryon-to-meson ratios*: studying dependence on constituent p_T threshold

Esha, [Hard Probes 2023](#)

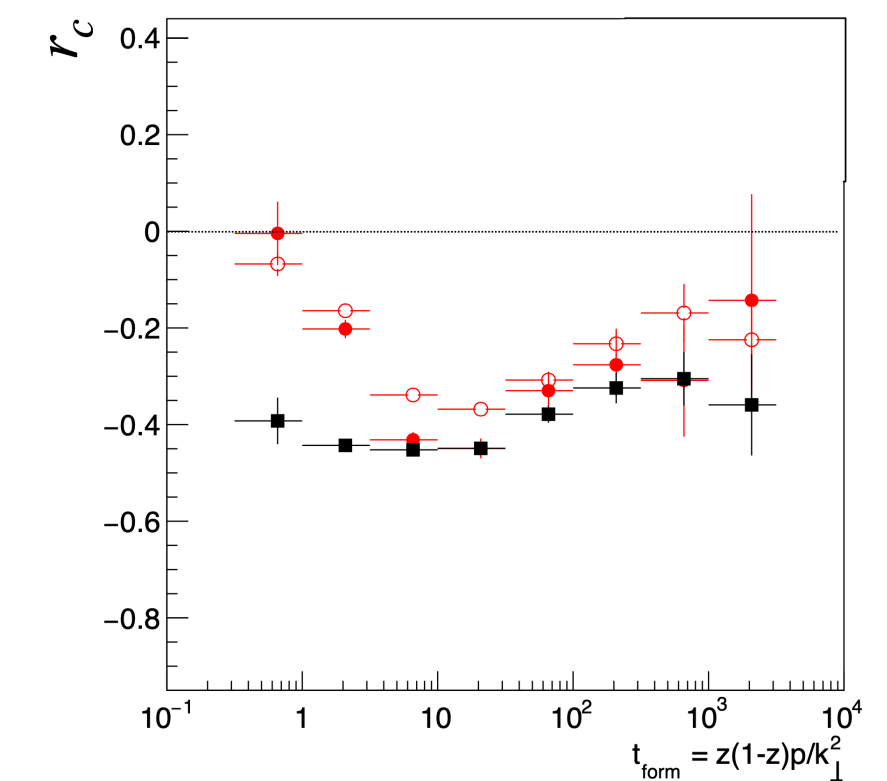
HIJING, Au+Au $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV

π^\pm Quenched Unquenched

PYTHIA, p+p $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV

π^\pm ■

$R = 0.4, p_T^{\text{jet}} > 10$ GeV/c

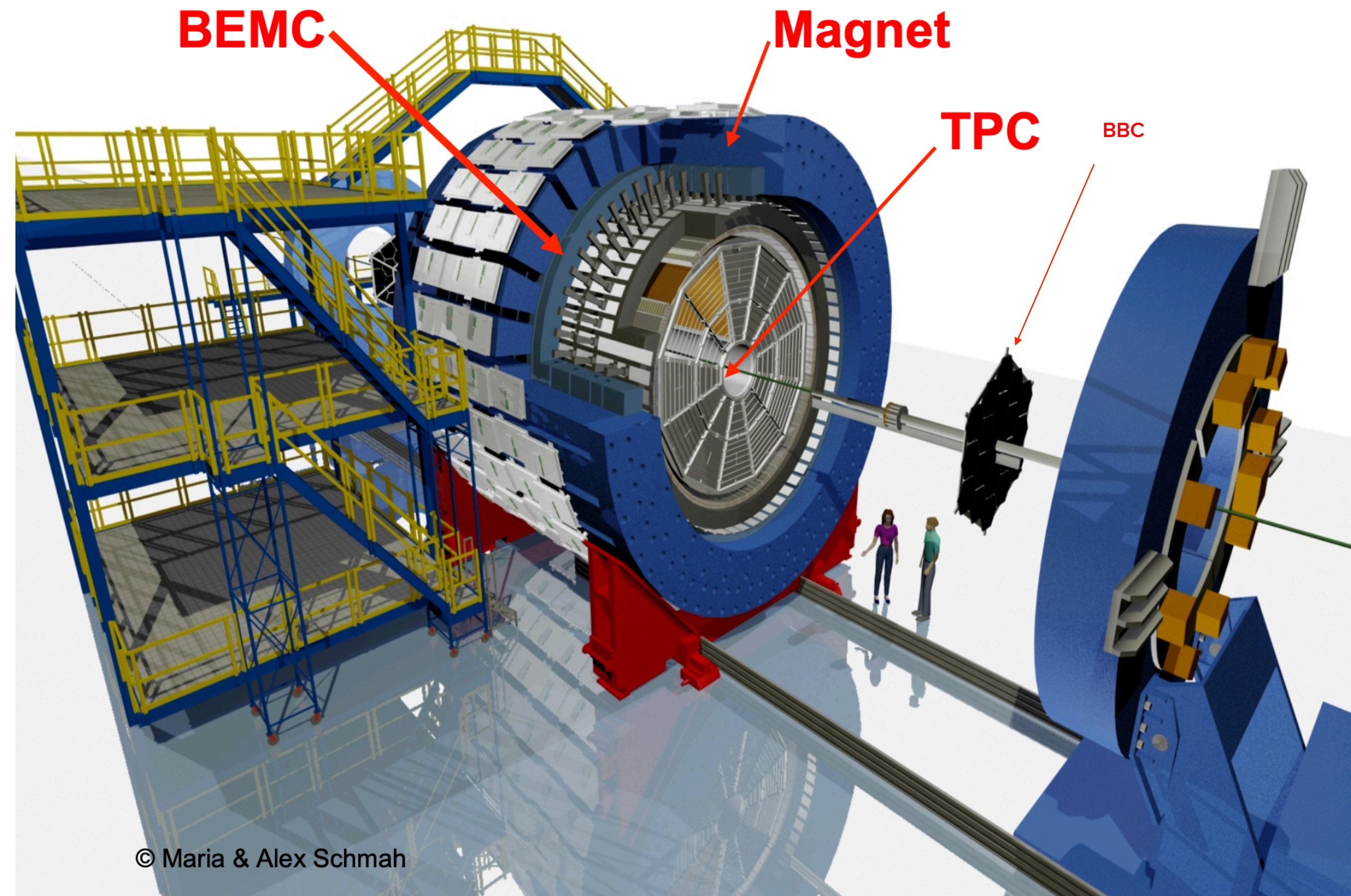


What we've learned

- **Precision era of jet substructure:** many-dimensional corrections and correlations, systematically mapping the phase space for QCD radiation in vacuum at lower \sqrt{s}
- **First measurements** of new observables **EECs and r_c** separate perturbative and non-perturbative physics cleanly for **improved theoretical control**
- Demonstrated **scaling of quenching** with N_{part} (**~similar energy density**) across collision species; **more energy lost at RHIC** than LHC, relative to jet p_T ; **jet profile broadening**, with radiation roughly recovered by ~ 0.5 radians; and **finite jet v_2** . **No quenching** observed in **pAu** collisions.
- **No medium-induced hadrochemistry** effect observed. **Suppression of jets with hard-fragmenting charm hadrons** but as yet no observed corresponding enhancement of soft-fragmented charm jets or diffusion to broader angles

Jets at STAR

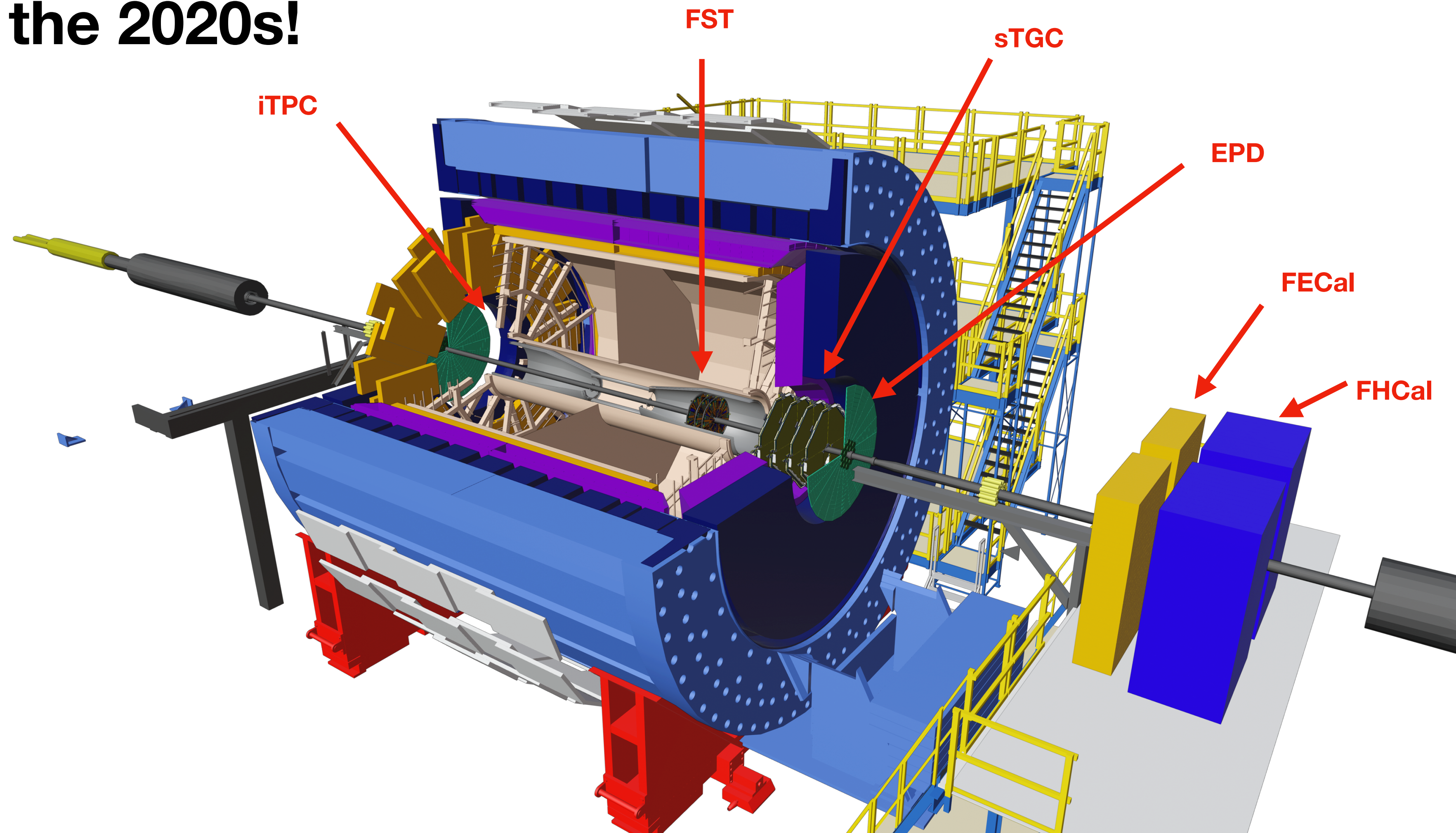
In the 2010s



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Jets at STAR

In the 2020s!



Precision tracking

*Forward jets →
different x ; q v. g*

*Unbiased centrality/
EP determination*

Etc!



Backup

STAR Zero Degree Calorimeters

