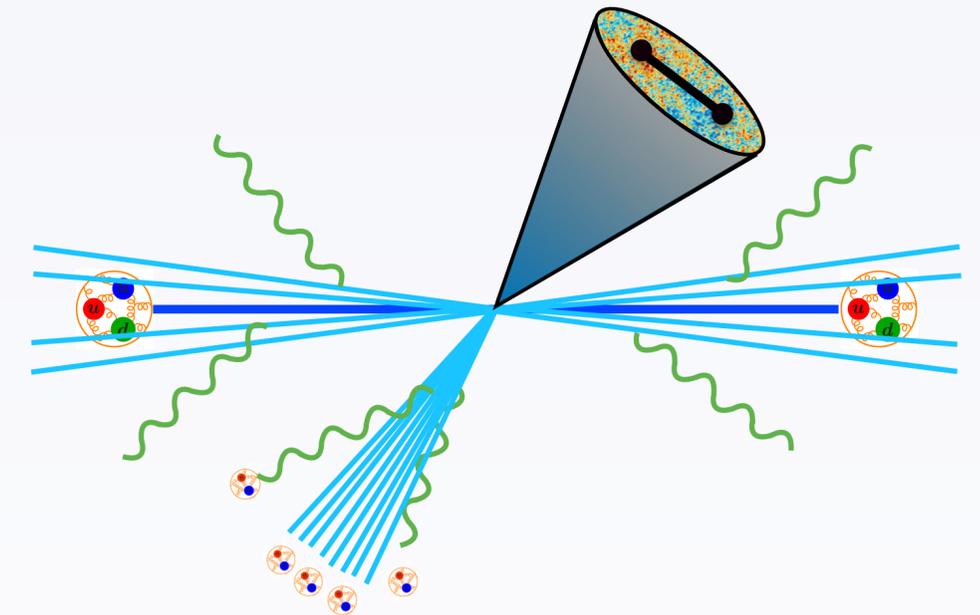
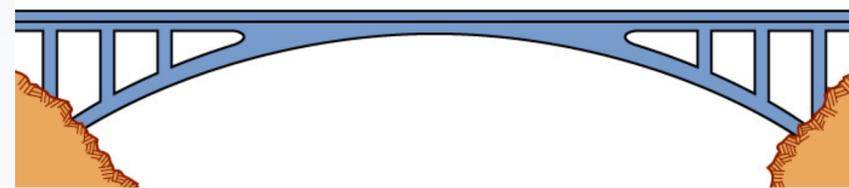
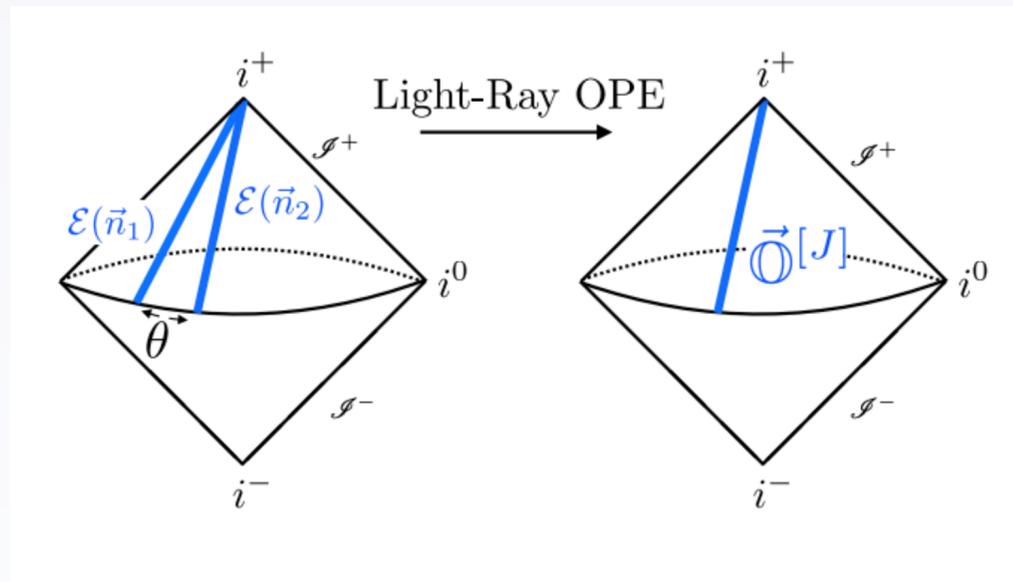


# Conformal Colliders Meet the LHC with Jet Fragmentation Functions



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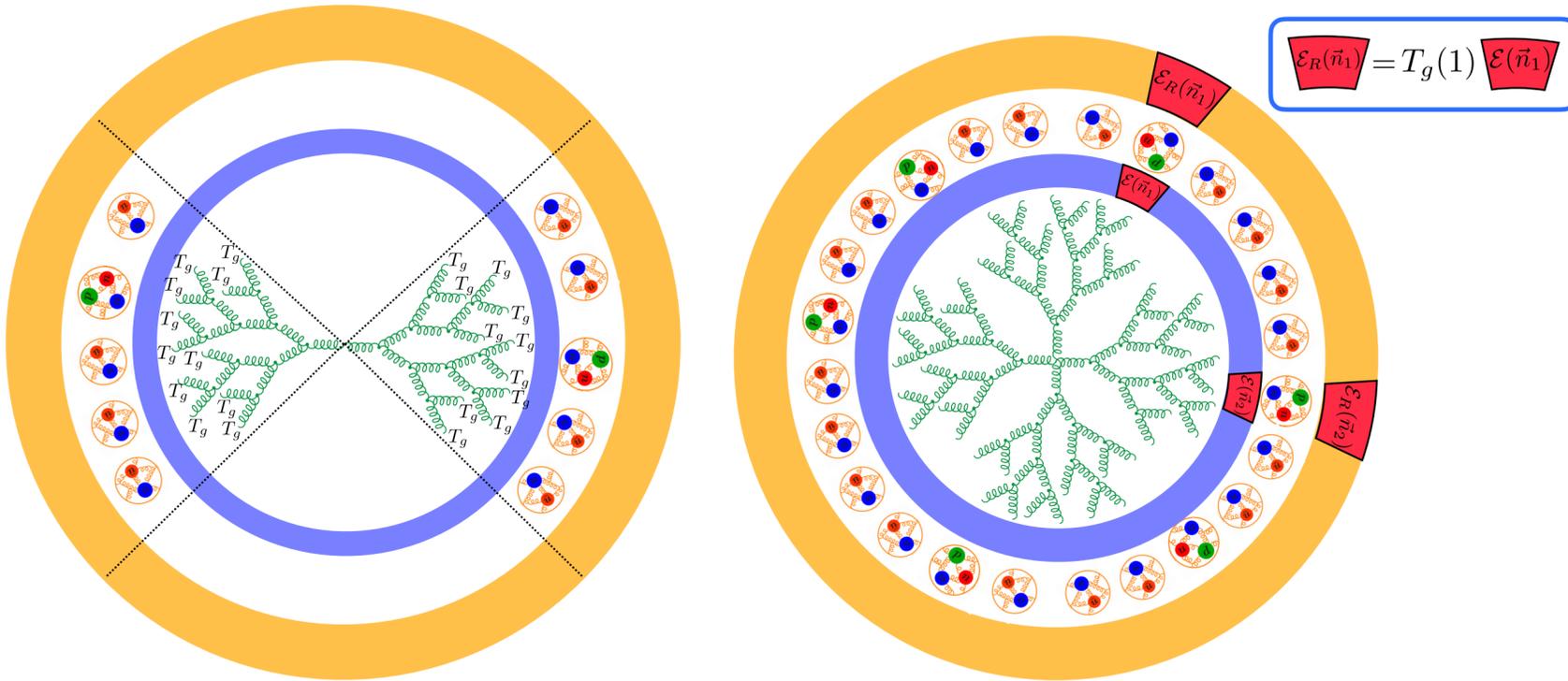


# Energy correlators as jet substructure

- In the collinear limit,  $z_{ij} \rightarrow 1$  (i.e.  $\theta_{ij}^2 \rightarrow 0$ )
- **Fixed number of detectors**

• Probes **fixed scale**

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



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

*See Yibei's talk*

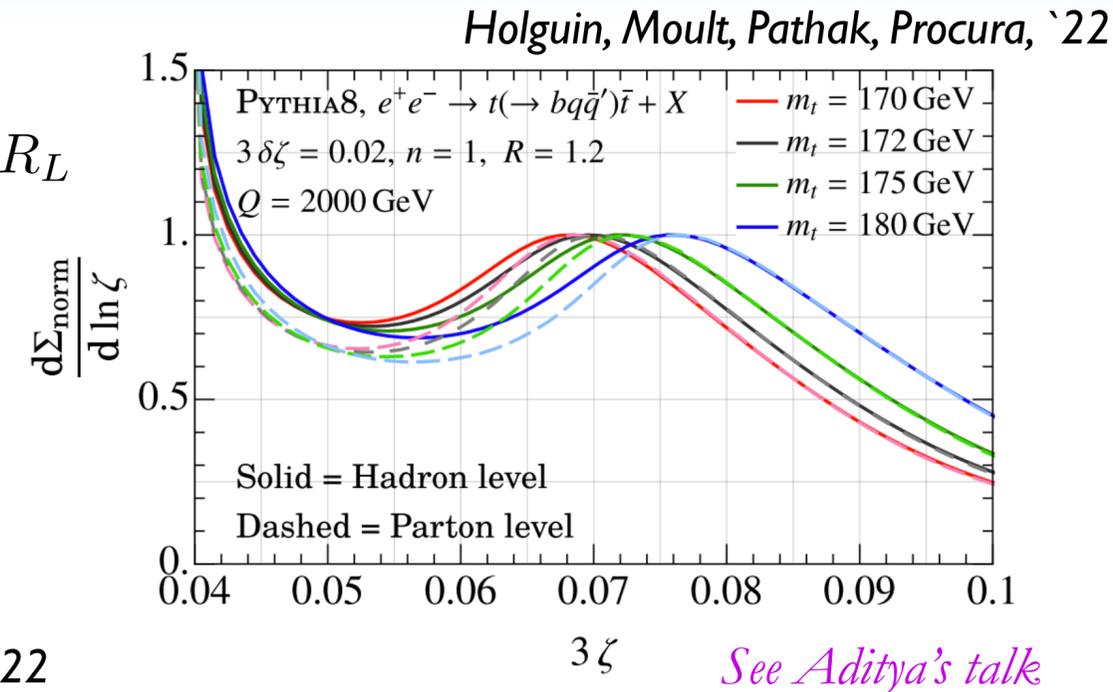
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$$\mu \sim 2p_{J,T}\sqrt{z} \sim p_{J,T}R_L$$

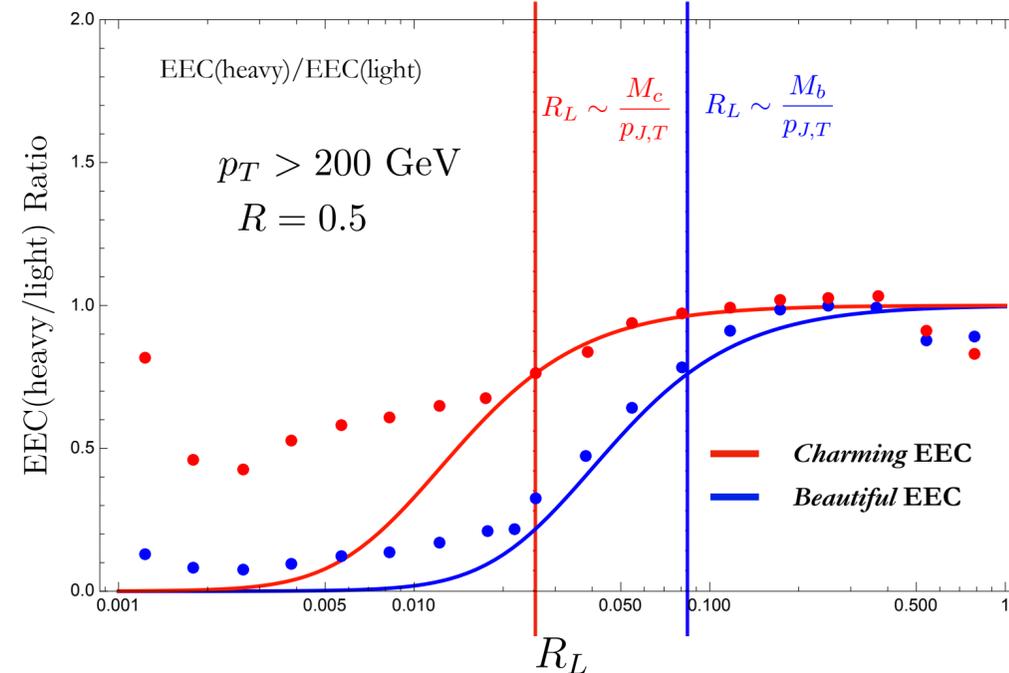
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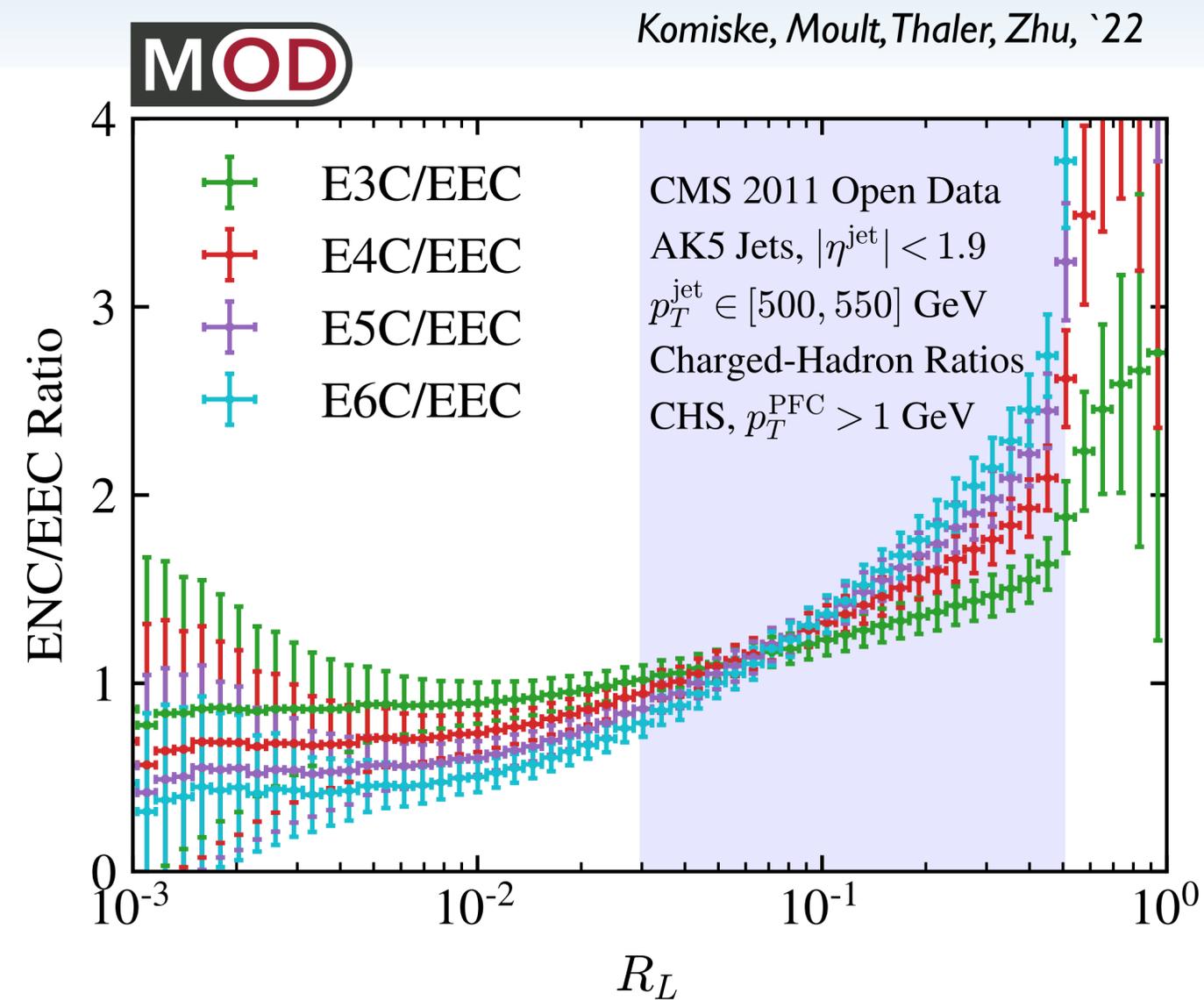
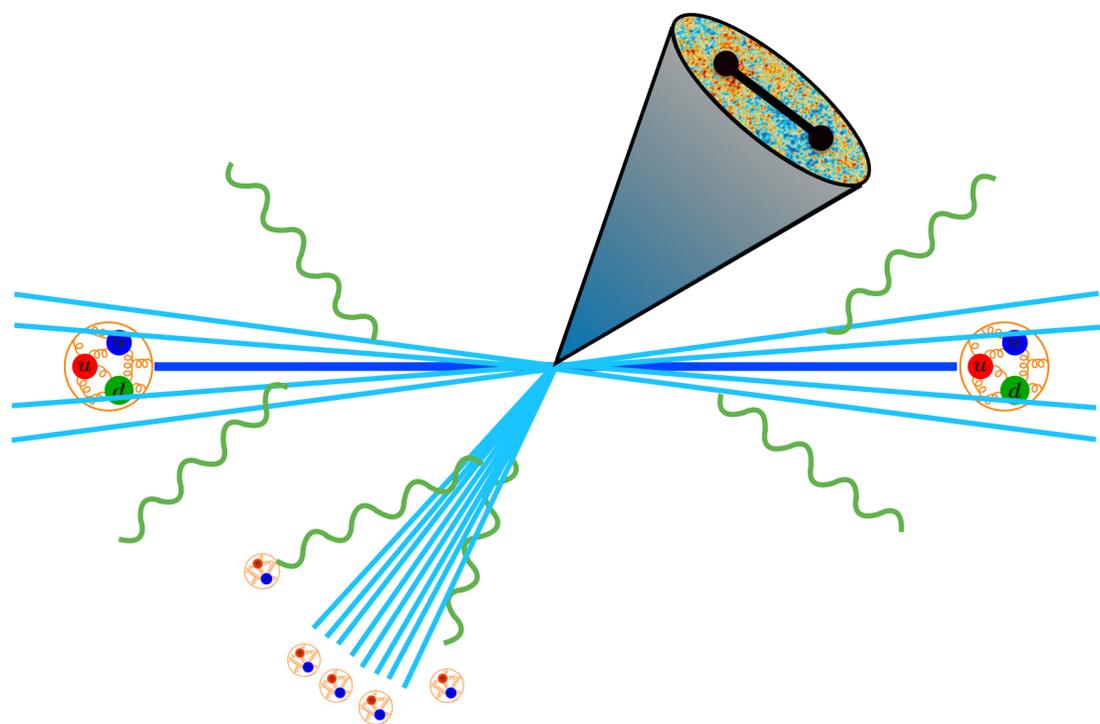


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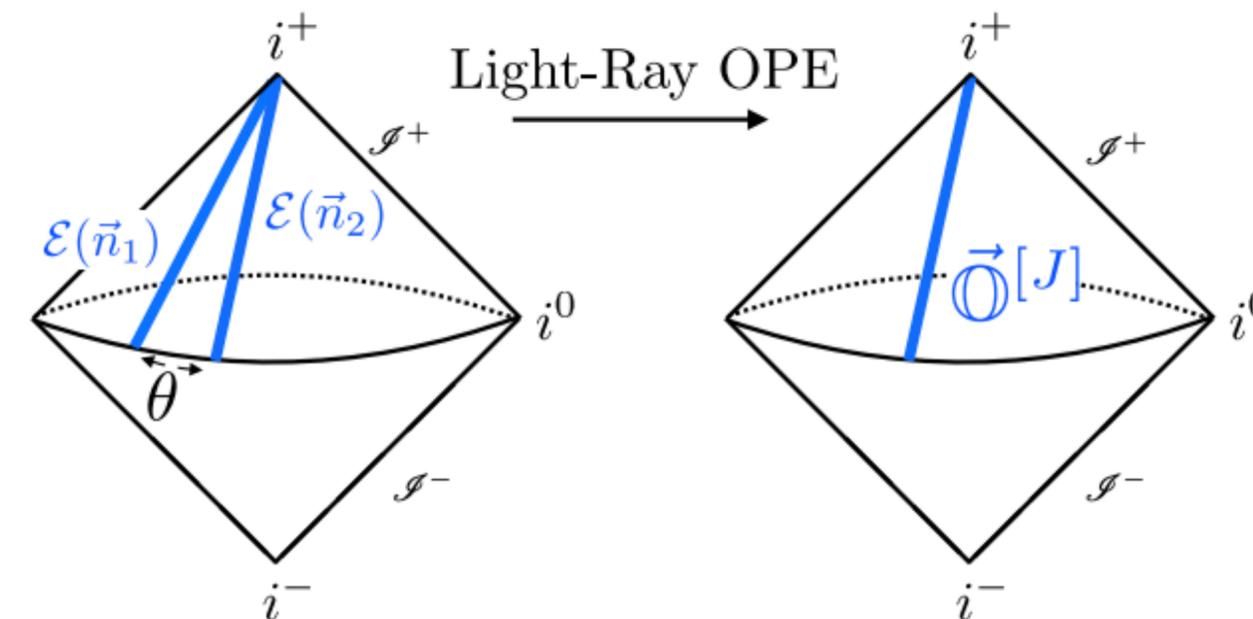
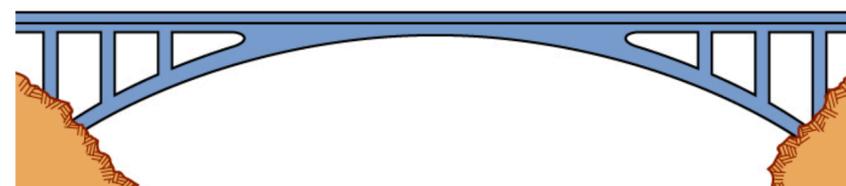
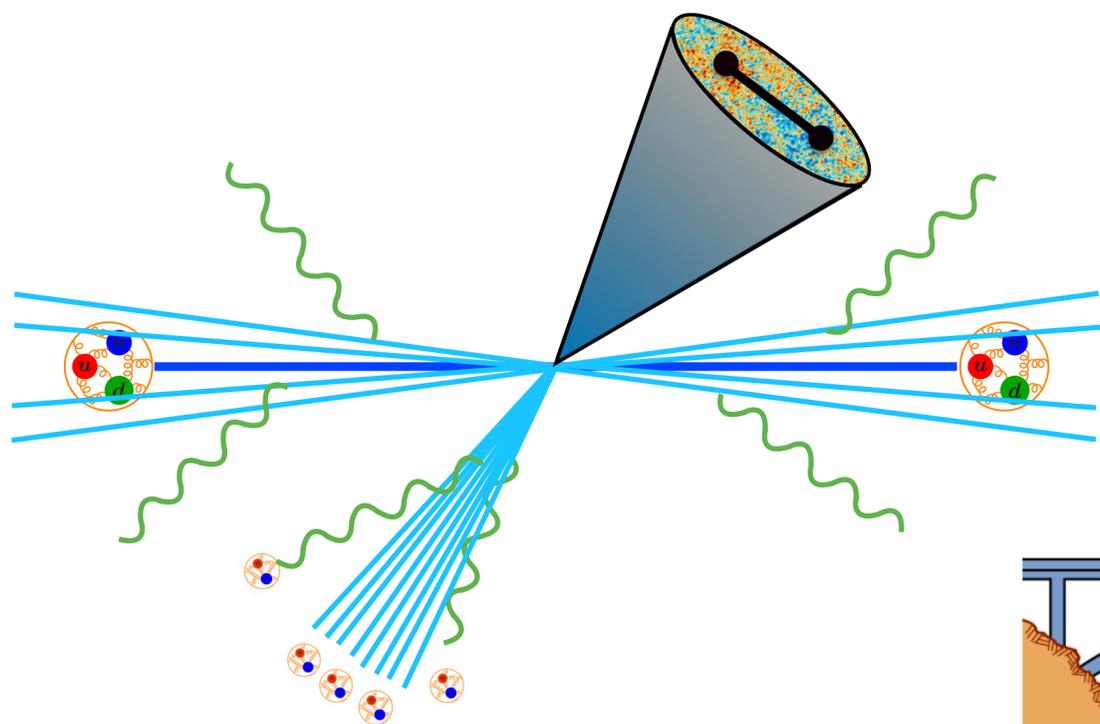
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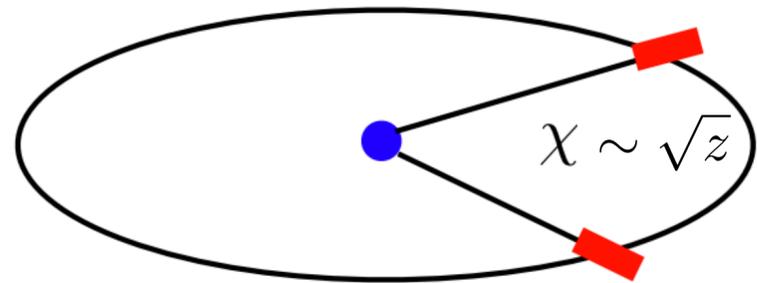


- Jet substructure study
- Light-ray Operator Product Expansion (OPE)  
“Conformal Collider” Hofman, Maldacena, '08
- Want to be able to extend the formalism to study energy correlators as jet substructure at the LHC!
- Furthermore, provides connection between the LHC jet substructure study and Conformal Collider programs.

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

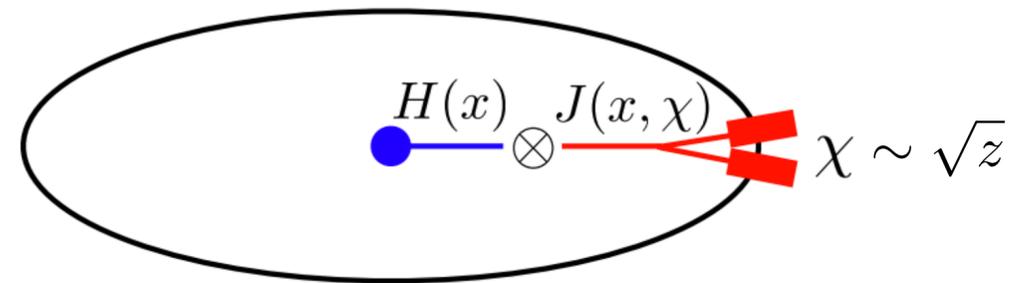
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$$\mu_H \sim Q$$

Hard function  
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$$\vec{J} = \{J_q, J_g\}$$

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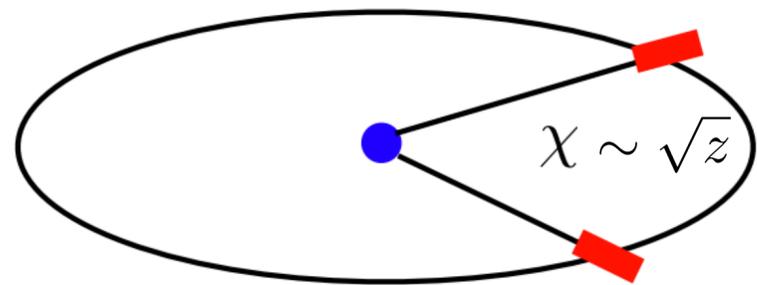
EEC Jet function

$$J_q(z) = \sum_X \sum_{i,j \in X} \langle 0 | \bar{\chi}_n | X \rangle \frac{E_i E_j}{(Q/2)^2} \Theta(\theta_{ij} < \chi) \langle X | \chi_n | 0 \rangle$$

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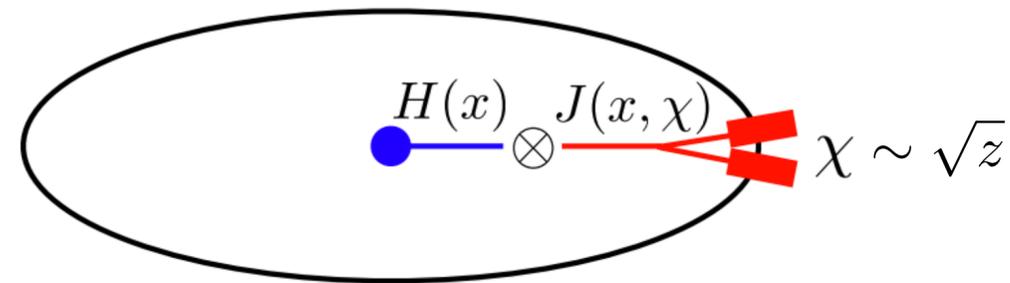
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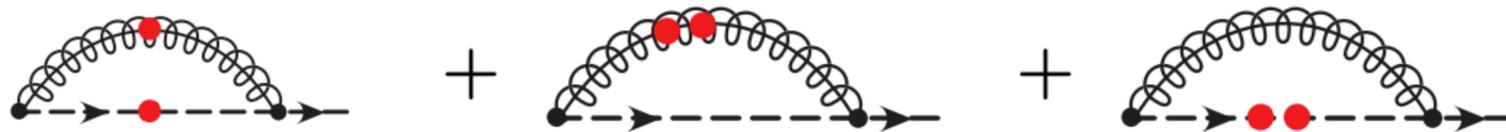
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$\vec{J}$  at NLO



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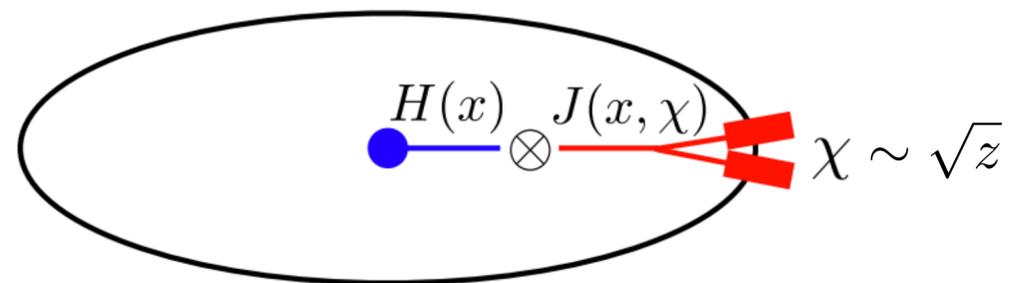
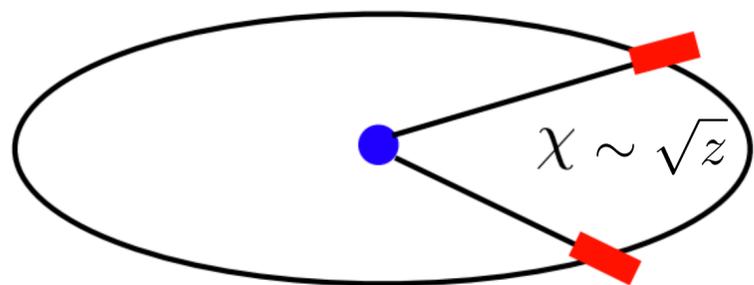
- In CFTs,

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

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

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

can be computed using OPE alone!

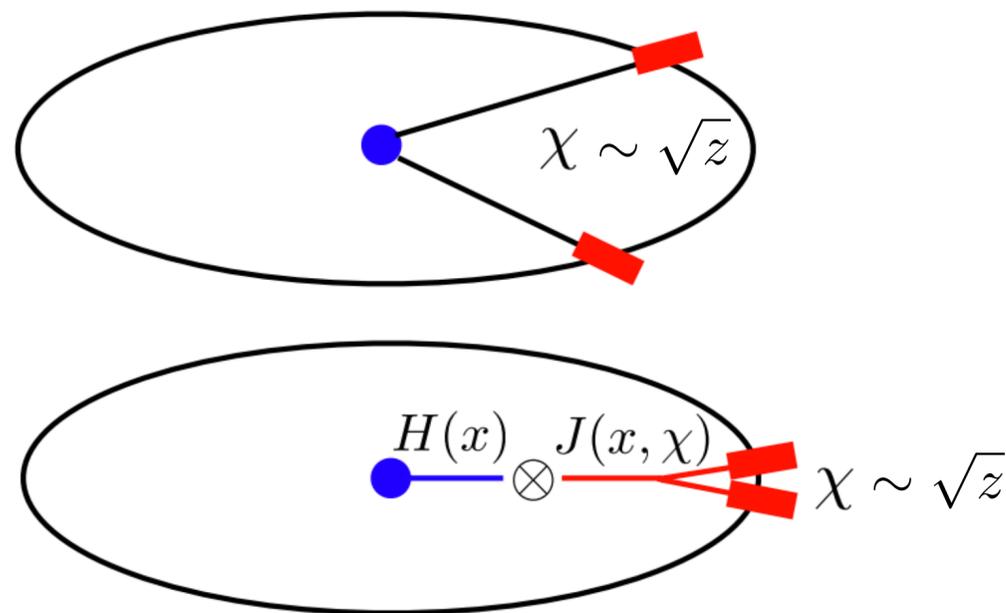


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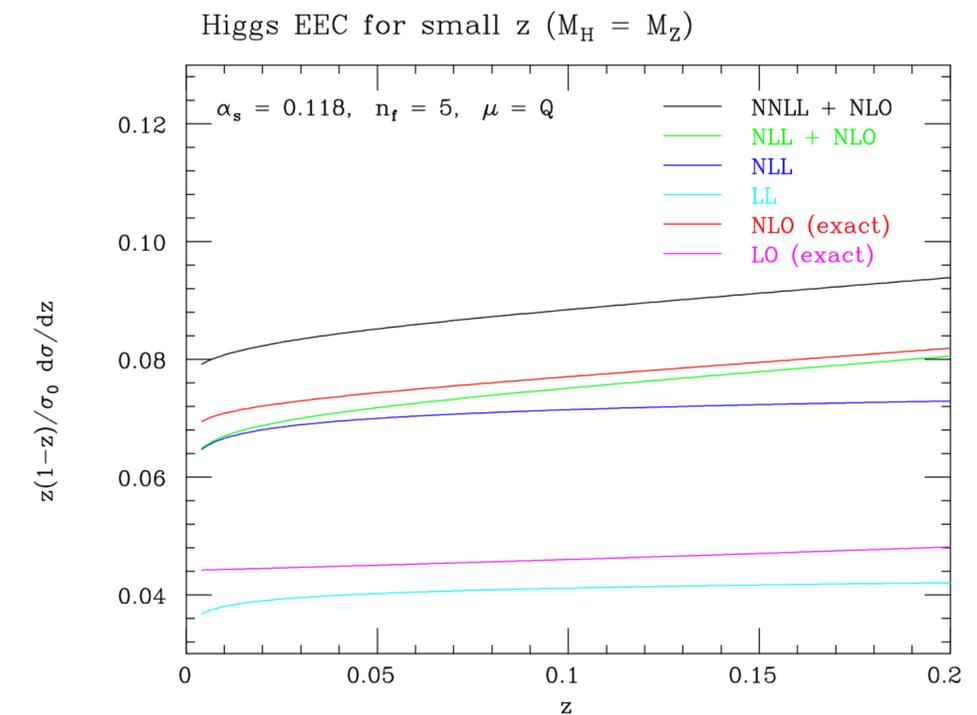
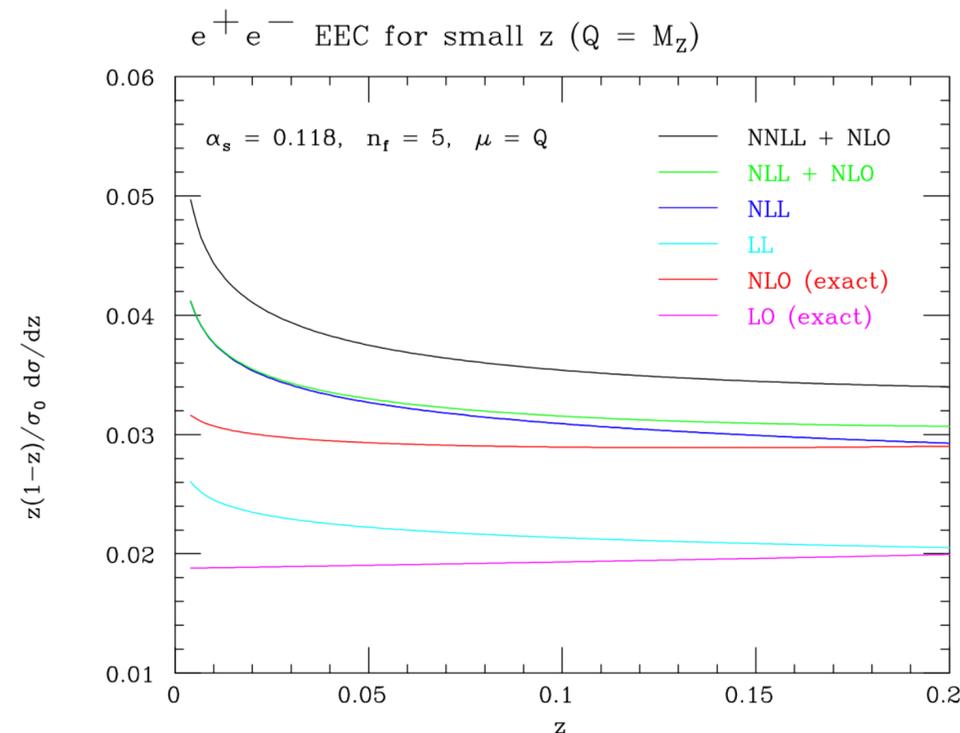
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- Higher scale would give larger window of region where the contribution from the twist-two anomalous dimension dominates over that of beta function, giving phenomenological connection to Light-ray OPE and other CFT techniques
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- Smaller NP corrections

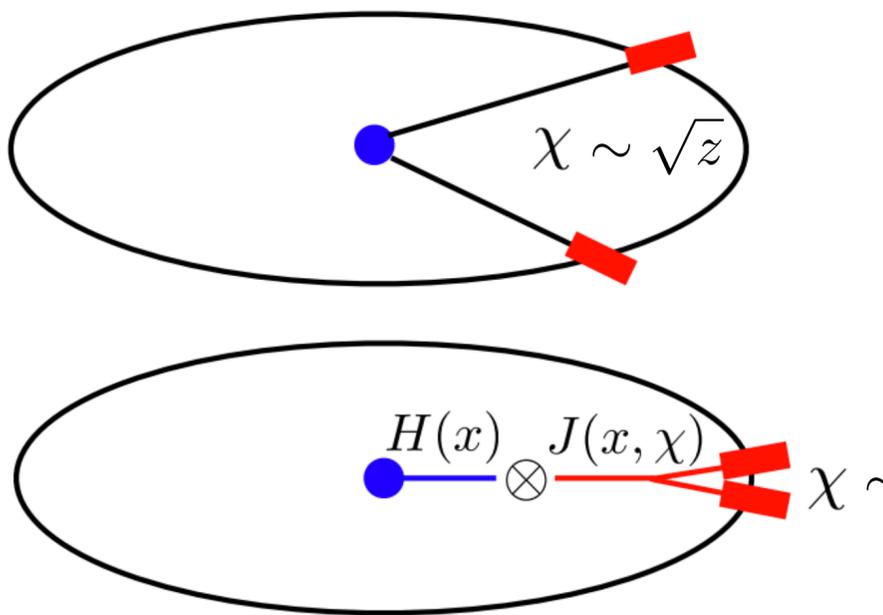


**Jets at the LHC!**

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### Hadron production

$$\frac{d\sigma^h}{dz_h} = \int_{z_h}^1 \frac{dx}{x} \vec{D}^h \left( \frac{z_h}{x}, \mu \right) \cdot \vec{H} \left( x, \frac{Q^2}{\mu^2}, \mu \right)$$

Collinear dynamics factorize identically from the hard functions (source)

**Hadron production inside jets = Jet Fragmentation Functions**

**⇒ Jets at the LHC!**

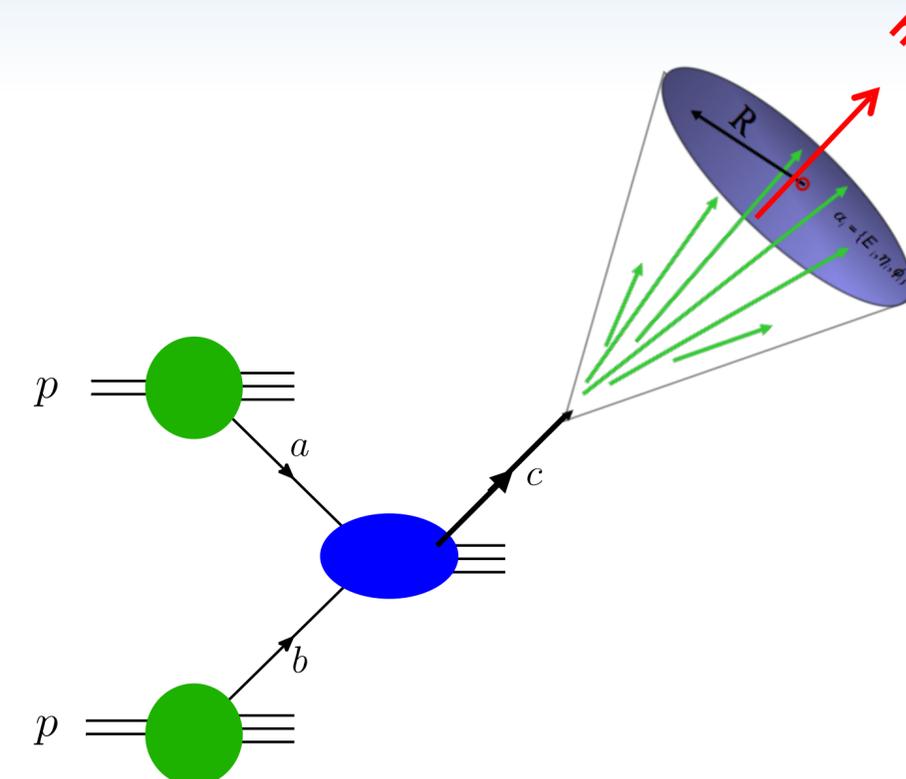
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$\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$                        $p_T$                        $p_T R$                        $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$

where  $z_h = p_T^h / p_T$   
 $z = p_T / p_T^c$



• Jet dynamics factorized from the rest of the process.

• The jet function  $\mathcal{G}_c^h(z_h)$  describes production of hadron **h** inside the jet initiated by the parton **c**.

## IR sensitive and requires matching:

$$\mathcal{G}_c^h(z, z_h, p_T R, \mu) = \sum_j \int_{z_h}^1 \frac{dx}{x} \mathcal{J}_{ij}(z, x, p_T R, \mu) D_j^h\left(\frac{z_h}{x}, \mu\right)$$

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

matching coefficients
collinear FFs

Collinear JFFs can be related to collinear FFs

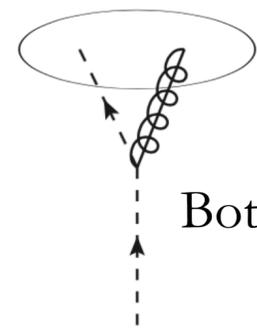
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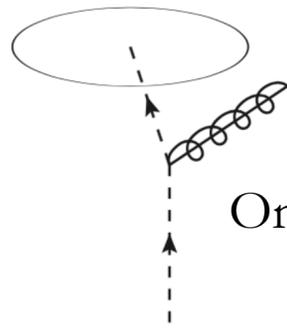
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- At NLO, diagonal part for quark case:



Both particles in jet

$$\delta(1-z)$$



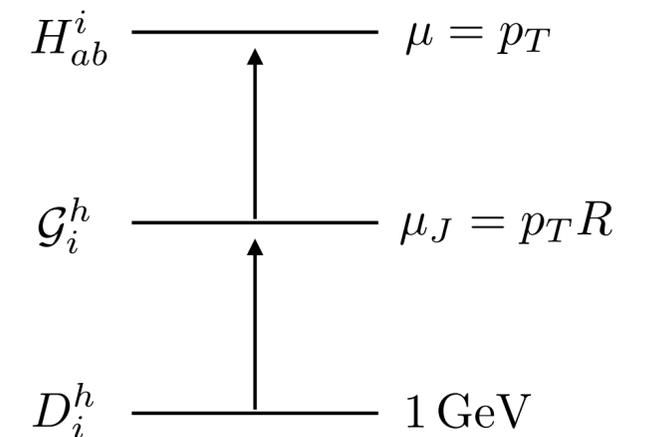
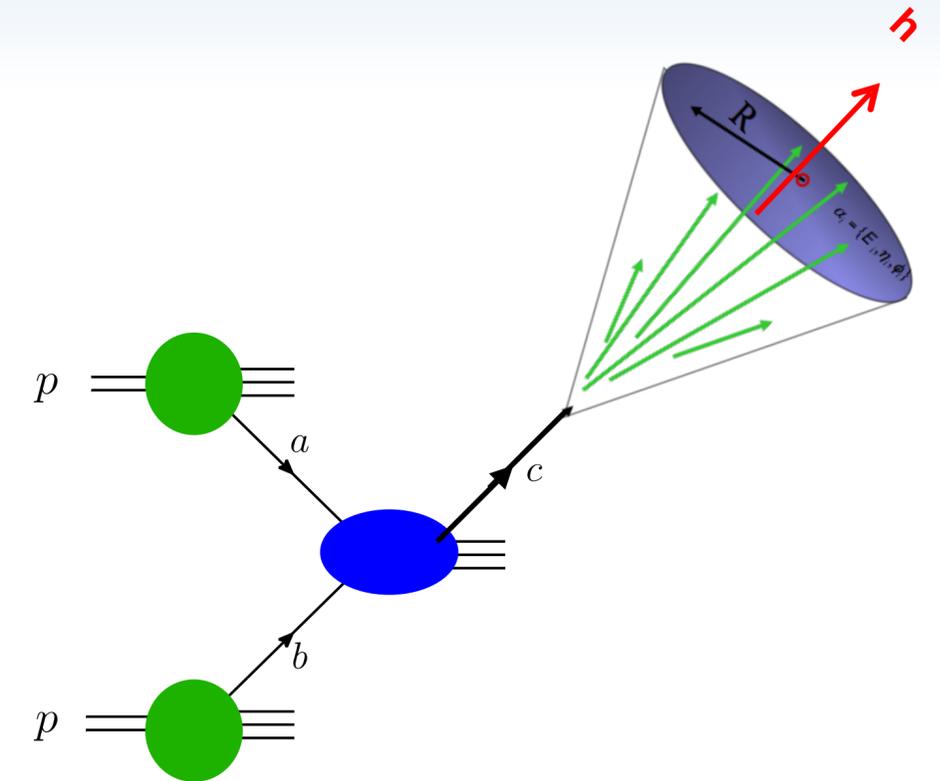
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$$\delta(1-z_h)$$

**Jet algorithm:**  $\Theta_{\text{anti-}k_T} = \theta(x(1-x)p_T R - q_T)$

$\Theta_{\text{anti-}k_T} = \theta(q_T - (1-x)p_T R)$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{J}_{qq}(z, z_h, \omega_J, \mu) = & \delta(1-z)\delta(1-z_h) + \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \left\{ L \left[ P_{qq}(z)\delta(1-z_h) - P_{qq}(z_h)\delta(1-z) \right] \right. \\ & + \delta(1-z) \left[ 2C_F(1+z_h^2) \left( \frac{\ln(1-z_h)}{1-z_h} \right)_+ + C_F(1-z_h) + \mathcal{I}_{qq}^{\text{alg}}(z_h) \right] \\ & \left. - \delta(1-z_h) \left[ 2C_F(1+z^2) \left( \frac{\ln(1-z)}{1-z} \right)_+ + C_F(1-z) \right] \right\}, \end{aligned}$$



2 DGLAPs

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- Light charged hadrons

Arleo, Fontannaz, Guillet, Nguyen `14

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- Photons

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- Heavy flavor mesons

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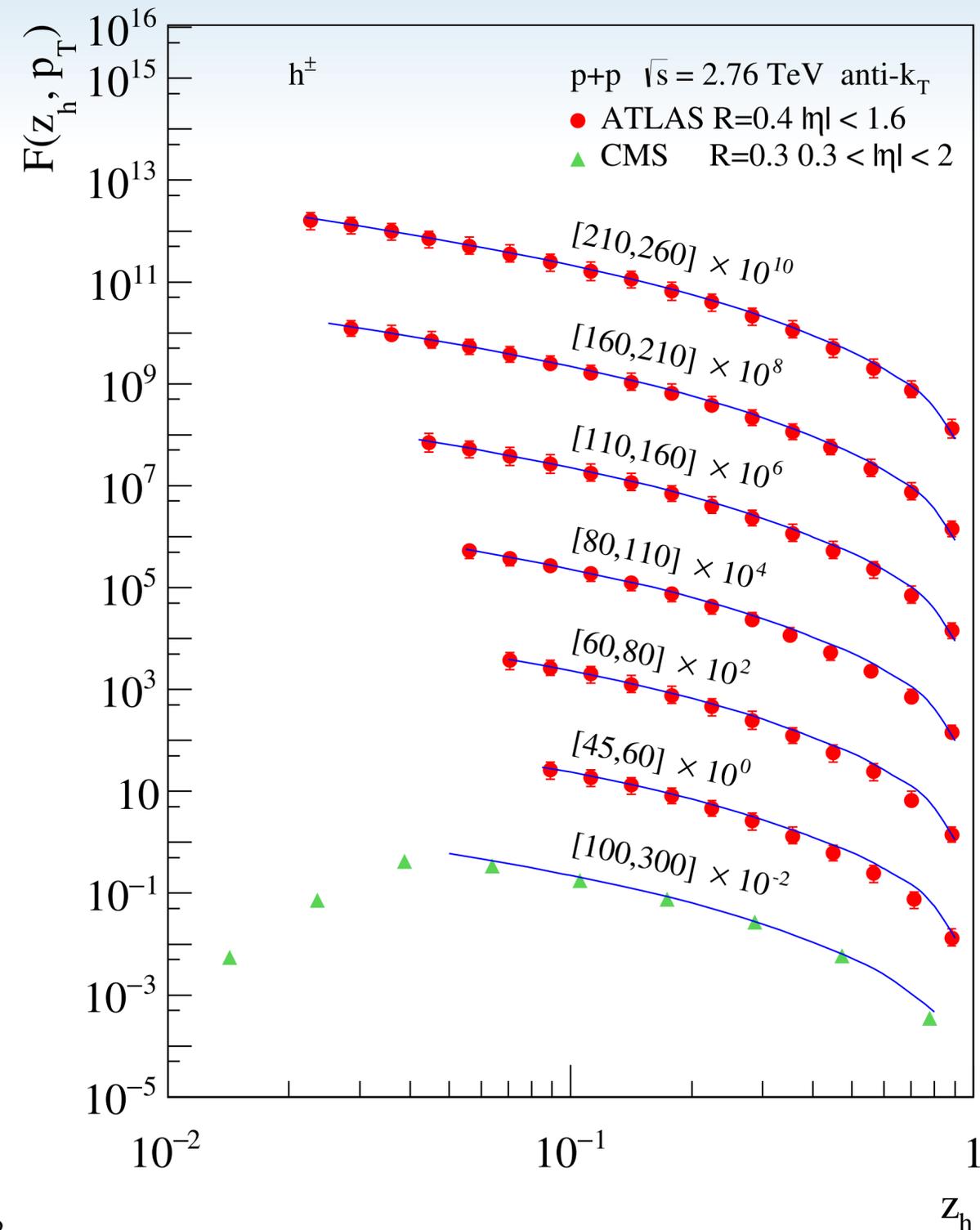
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- Polarized hadrons

Kang, KL, Zhao `20

$$F(z_h, p_T) = \frac{d\sigma^{pp \rightarrow (\text{jet } h) X}}{dp_T d\eta dz_h} \bigg/ \frac{d\sigma^{pp \rightarrow \text{jet } X}}{dp_T d\eta}$$



# The jet fragmentation function and energy correlators

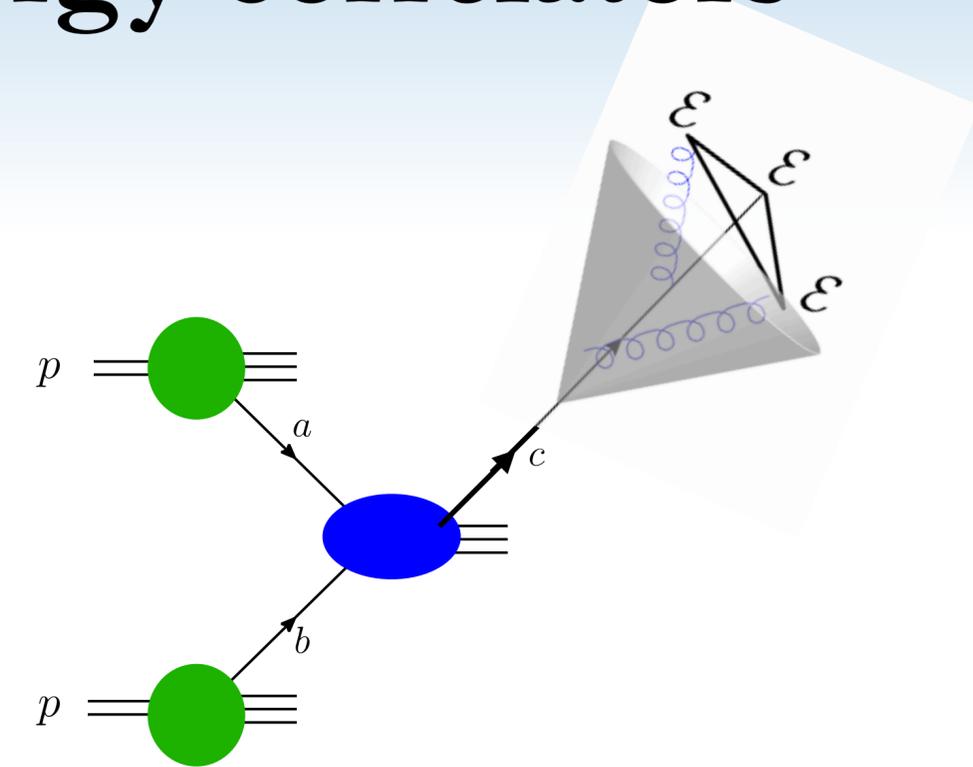
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$\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$                        $p_T$                        $p_T R$   
 $p_T \sqrt{\zeta}$

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

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



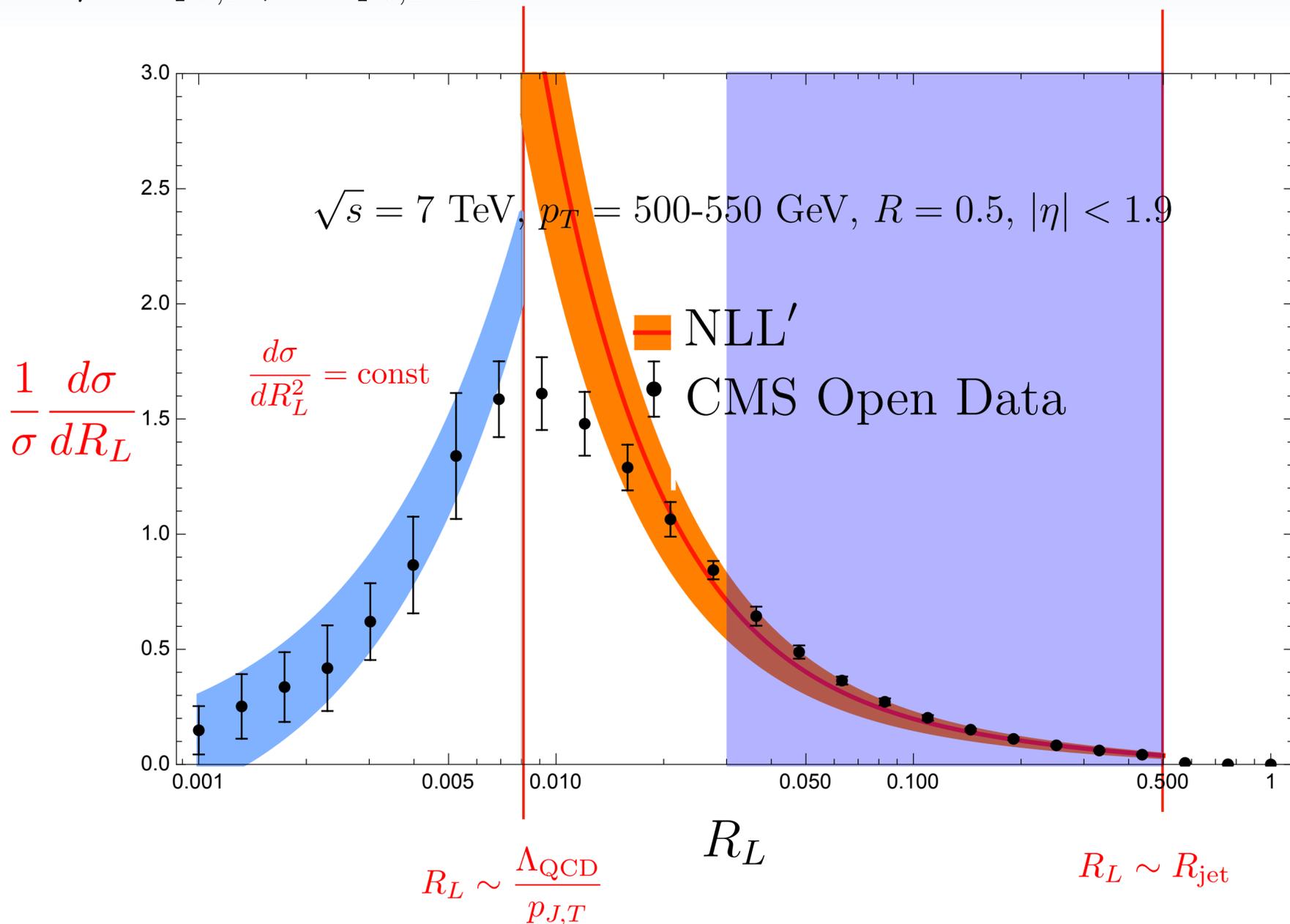
- $J_{\text{EEC}}$  is the same EEC jet function as  $e^+e^-$  case (can use track or other cases too)
- Energy correlators are expectation values on a state  $|\Psi\rangle$   
 In  $e^+e^-$ , the state is created by a local operator.  $\frac{d\sigma}{d\{\zeta\}} \sim \langle \Psi | \mathcal{E}(\hat{n}_1)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

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

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

# 2-Point Energy correlators at the LHC

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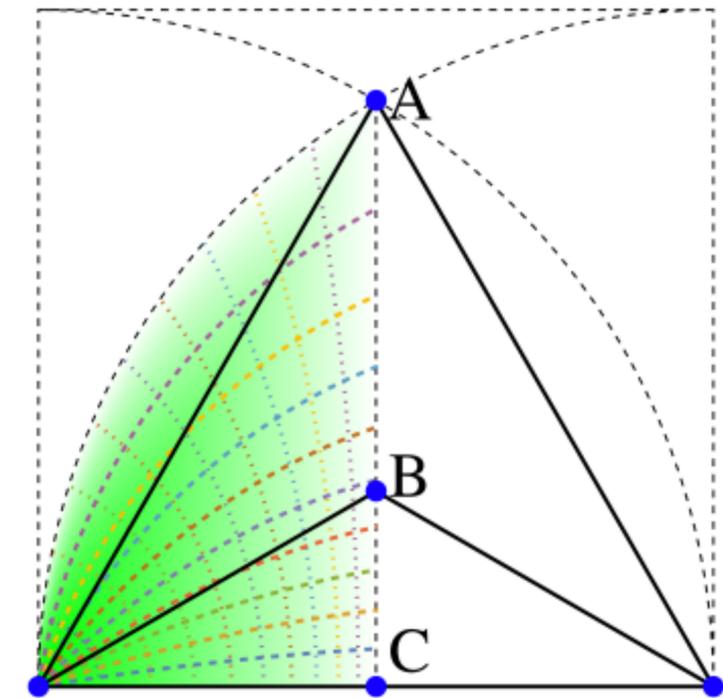
- One can see clear transition between the perturbative and hadronization regions.
- Perturbative region agrees well with the data without any soft drop grooming, trimming, pruning, etc.
- At very small angle, the result is consistent with uniformly distributed freely propagating hadrons.

# Projected Energy correlators at the LHC

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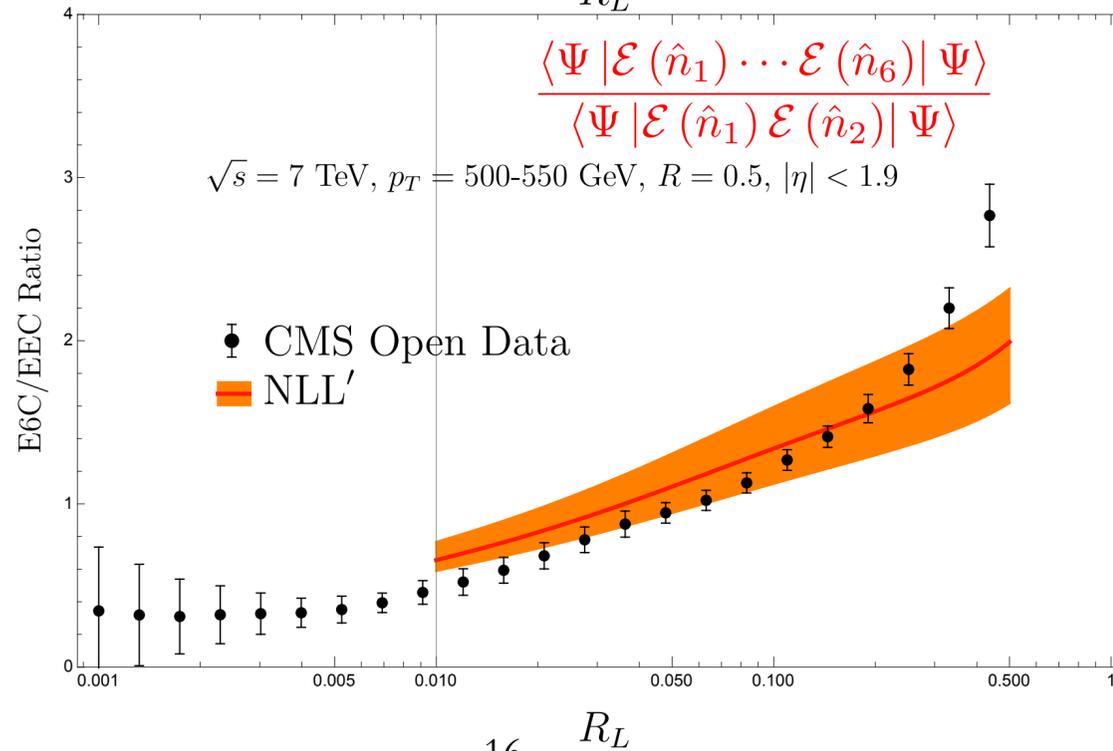
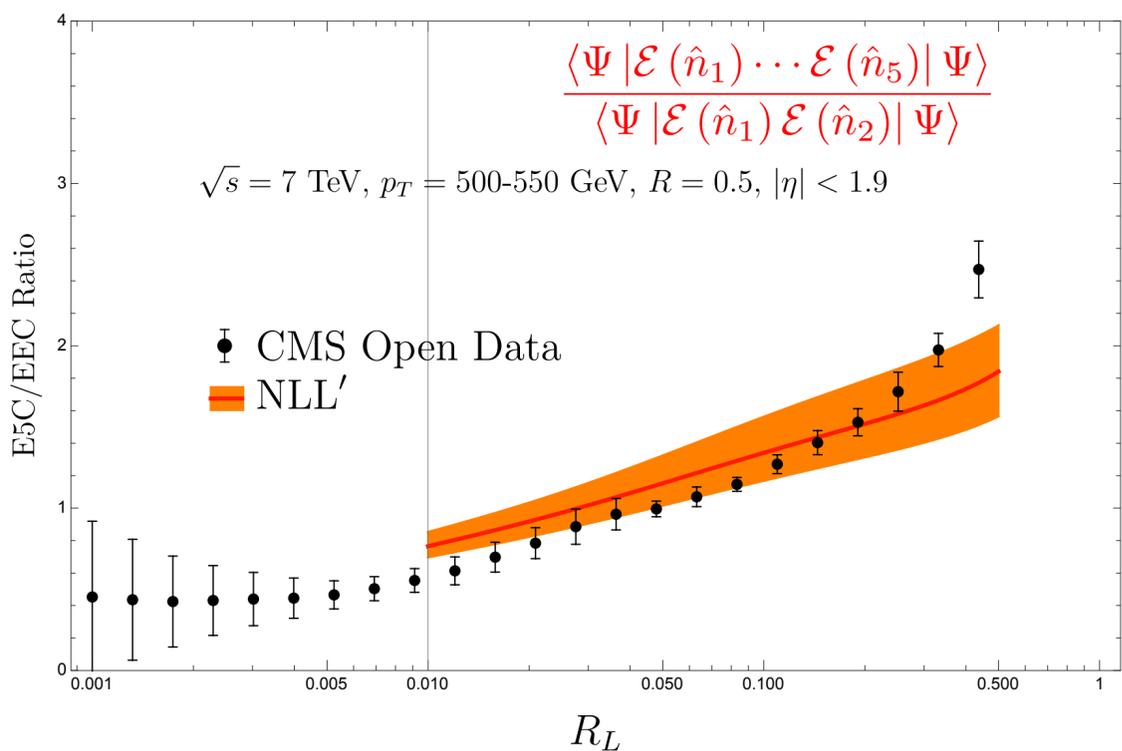
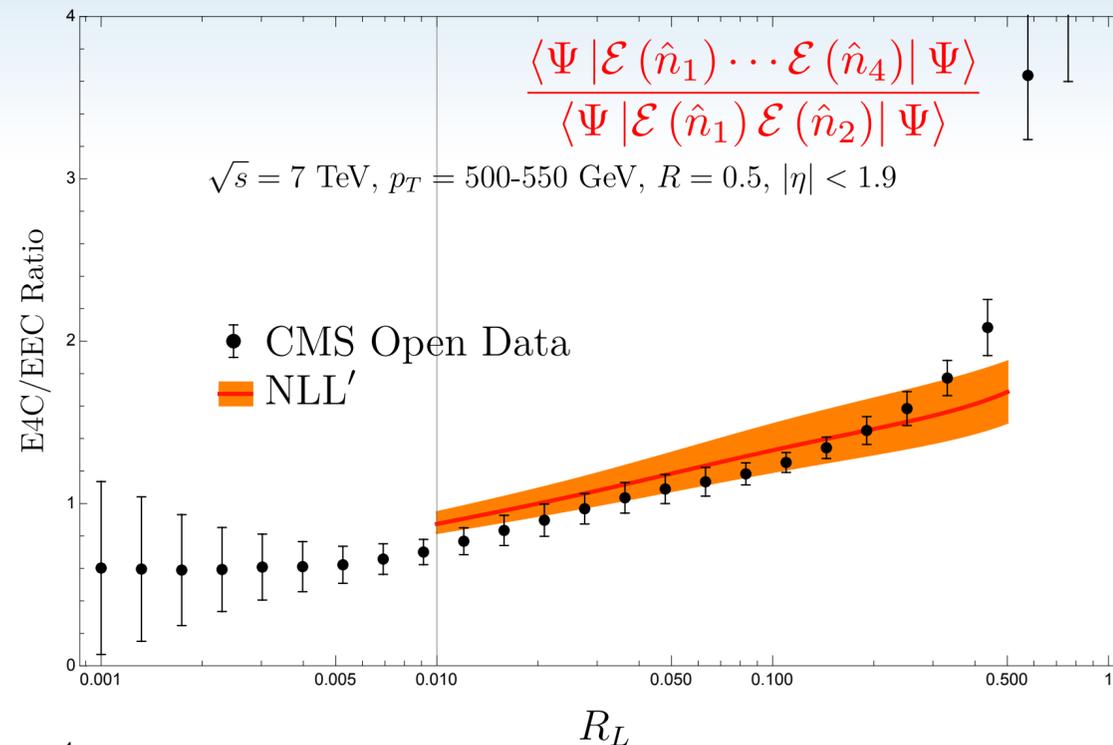
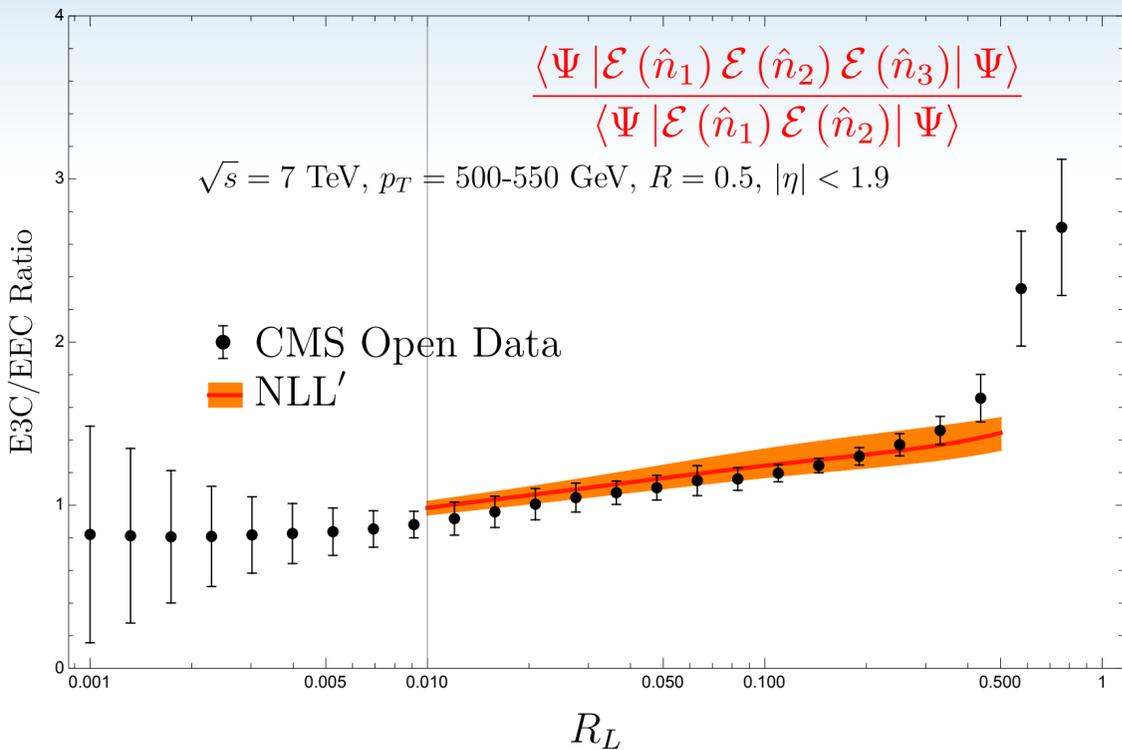
$$J_{\text{EEC}}^{N-\text{proj}}(R_L, x, \mu) = \int d\{\zeta\} \delta(R_L - \max[\{\zeta\}]) J_{\text{EEC}}^N(\{\zeta\}, x, \mu)$$

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



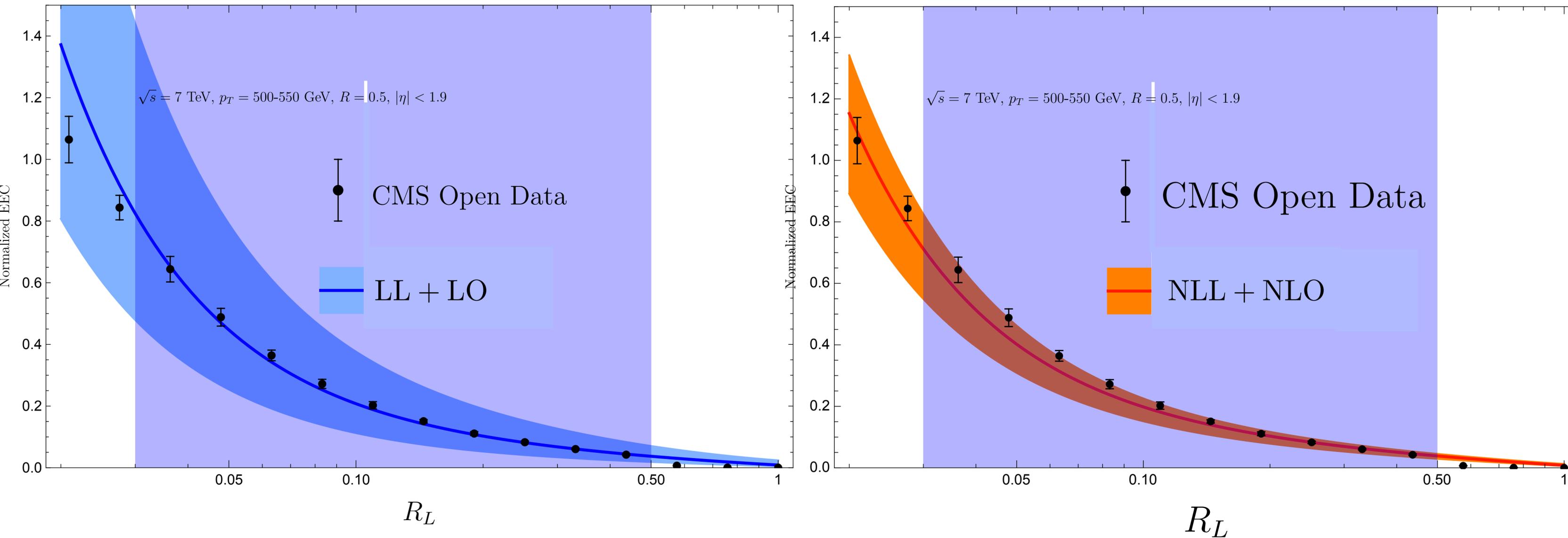
Space of 3-point correlator

# Projected Energy correlators at the LHC



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

# Venturing into precision calculations



# Outlook

Czakon, Generet, Mitov, Poncelet '21  
 Partial results computed

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

NNLO semi-inclusive hard function ▲

NNLO PDFs ✓

NNPDFs, CTEQ, ...

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Matching coefficients ▲

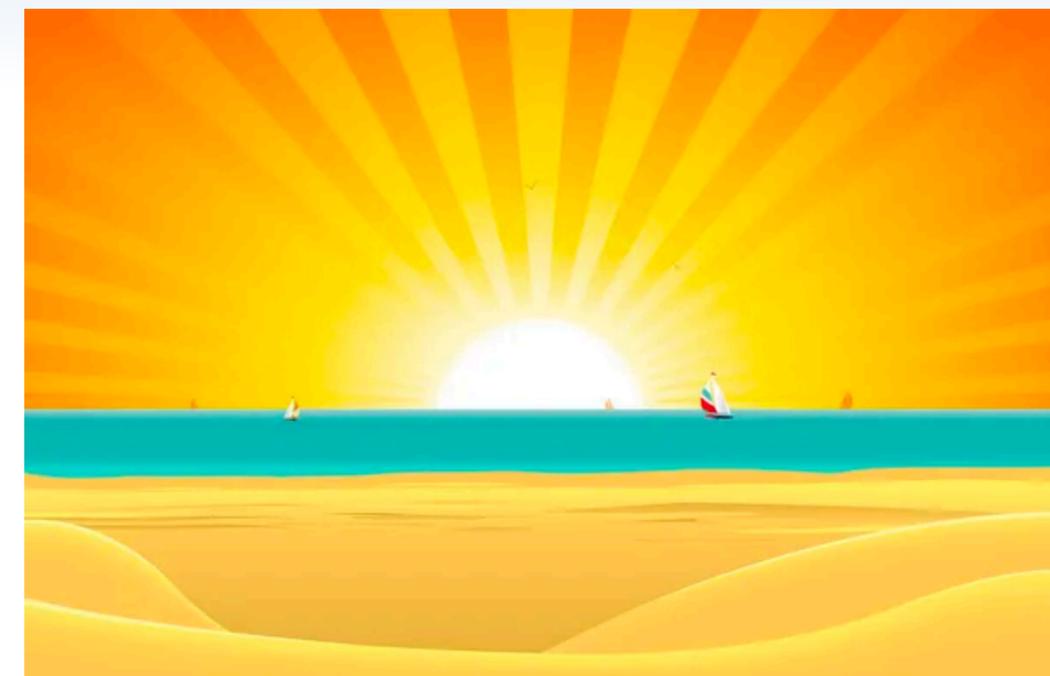
Projected ENC jet function ✓✓

Partial results  
 KL, Liu, Mout, In progress

Available even for the track case!

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Thank you!



- Unprecedented precision calculation of jet substructure on the horizon!