

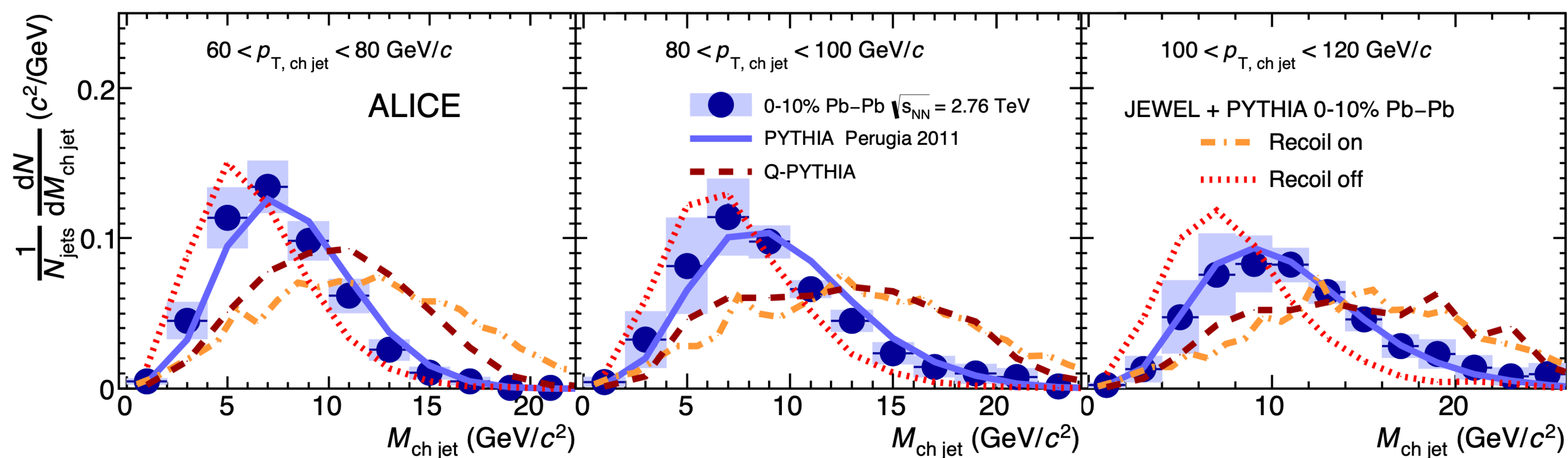
Probing inner-jet correlations in hot QCD

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Most jet quenching observables compute projections of the final particle distribution inside jets (e.g. mass)

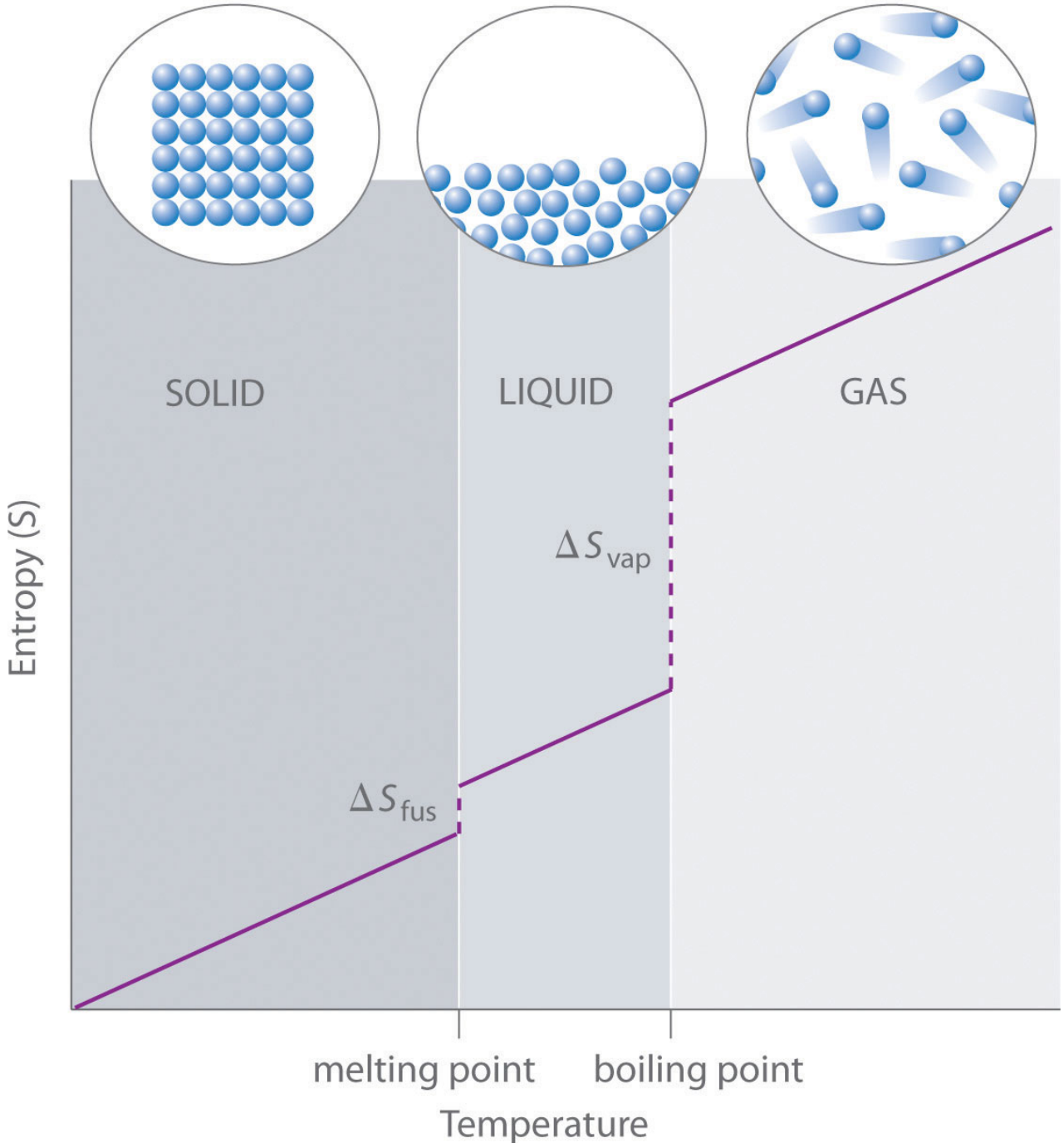


These capture particular aspects of the distribution, but not the most natural ones from the QFT perspective

Can we directly target the intrinsic correlations inside jets? Is this fundamentally different?
(in a calculable and measurable way)

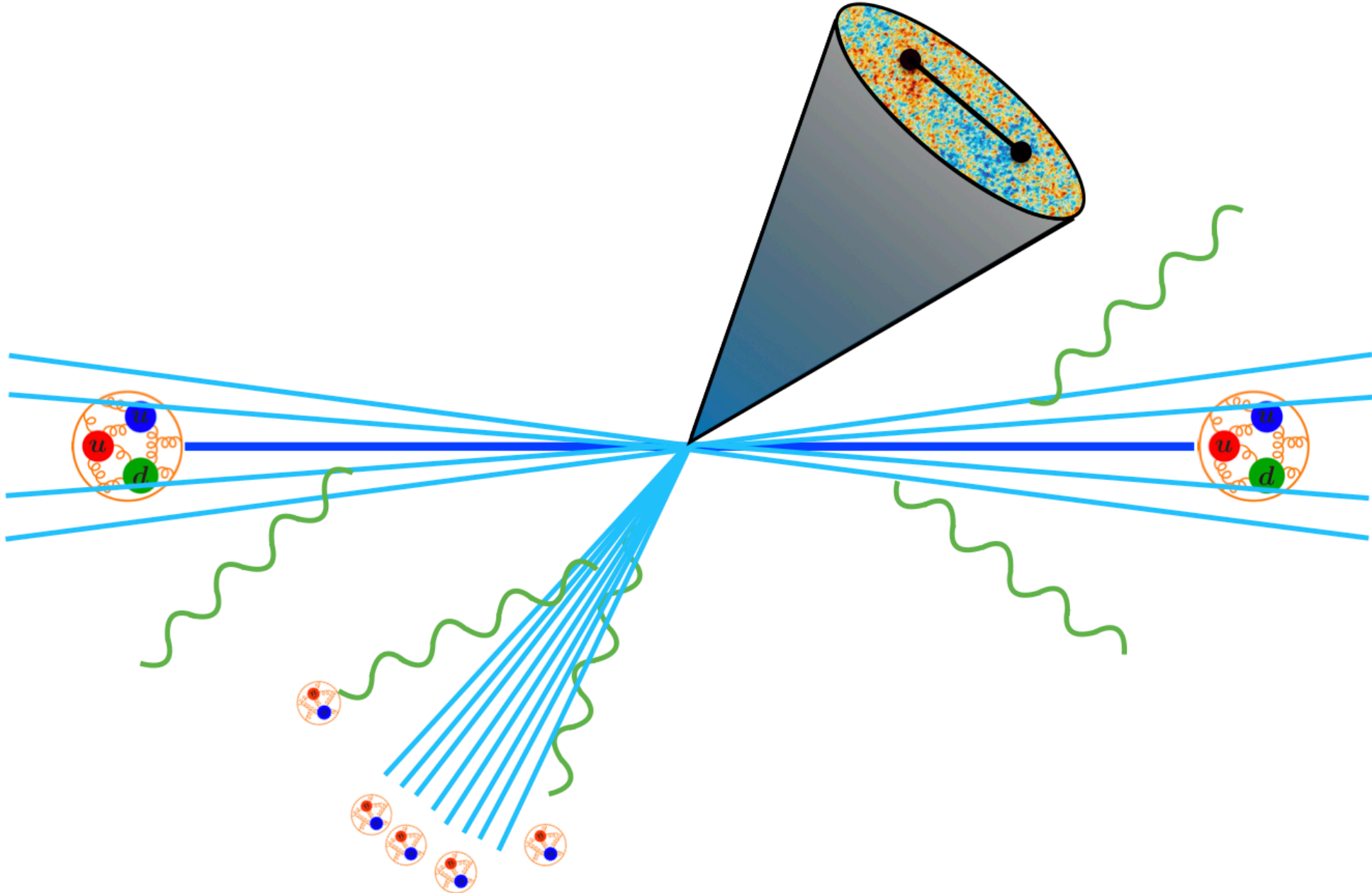
Today I will talk about two possible ways to go forward in this direction inherited from HET:

Jet entropy



Encapsulates multipoint correlators and can be generalized for mixed states

Energy Correlators (inside jets)



Measures correlations within final particle distribution, similar to CMB physics

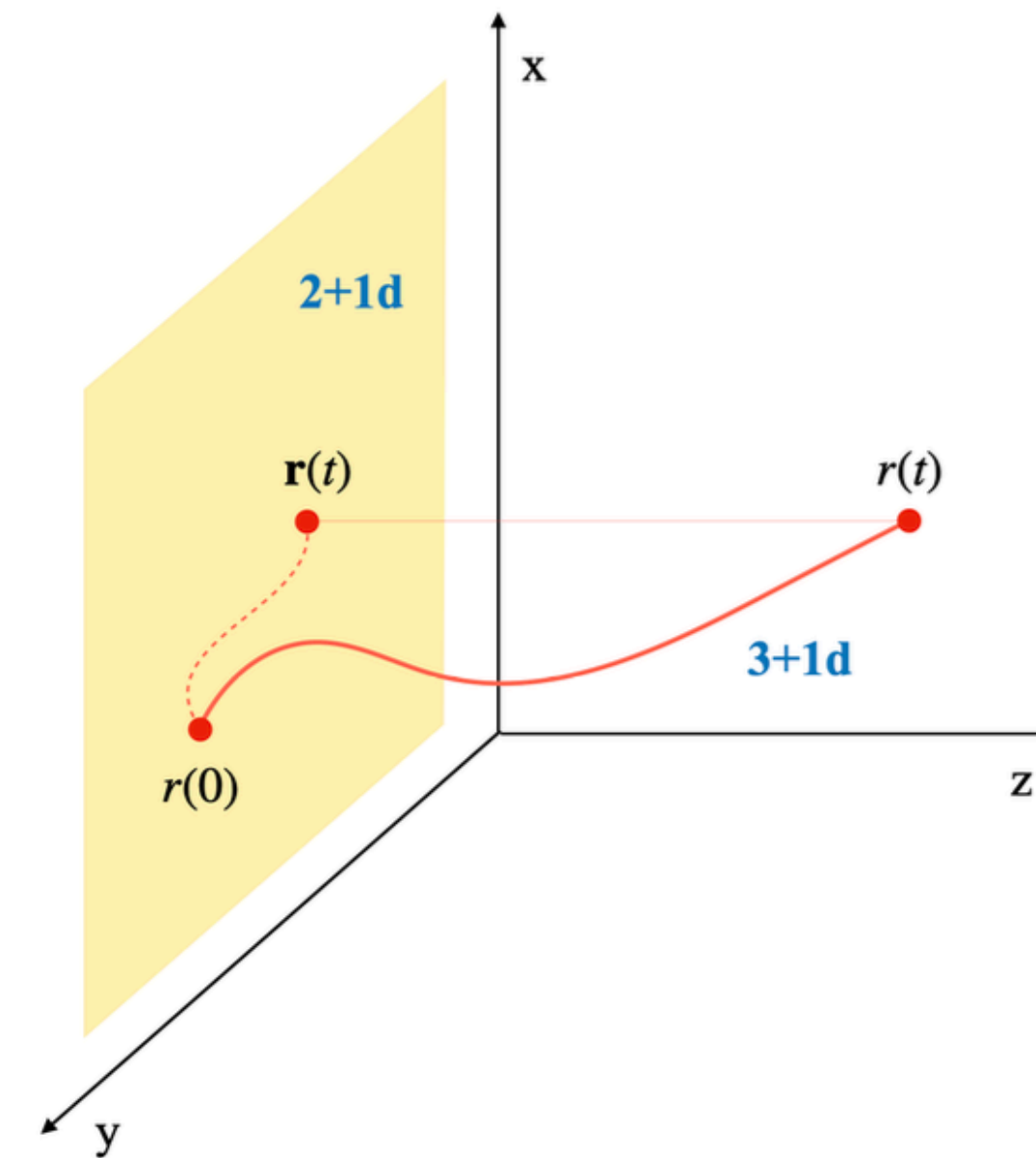
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In-medium jet density matrix and its entropy

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Is the jet entropy sensitive to the in-medium jet evolution ?

Can it resolve the structure of the jet? How?



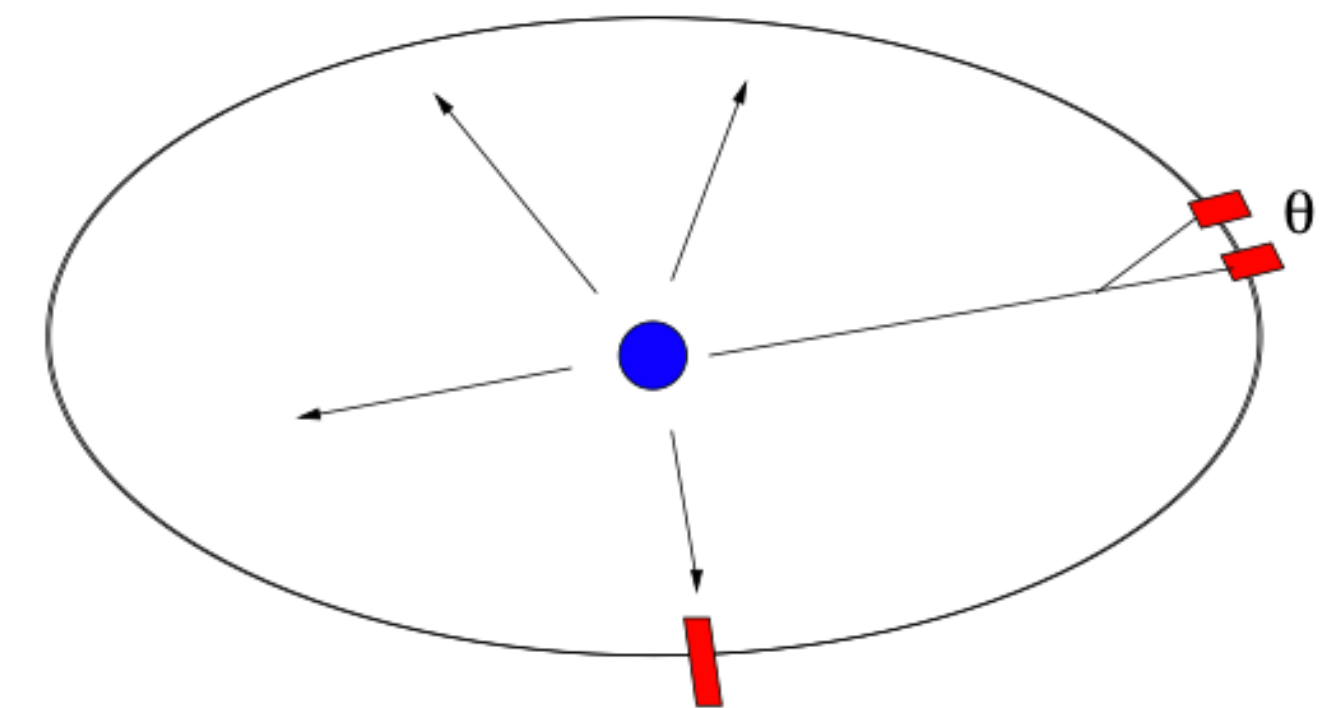
Towards understanding jet Energy Correlators in heavy ions

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How do jet Energy Correlators (ENCs) behave in HI?

Do we understand their evolution from the theory side?

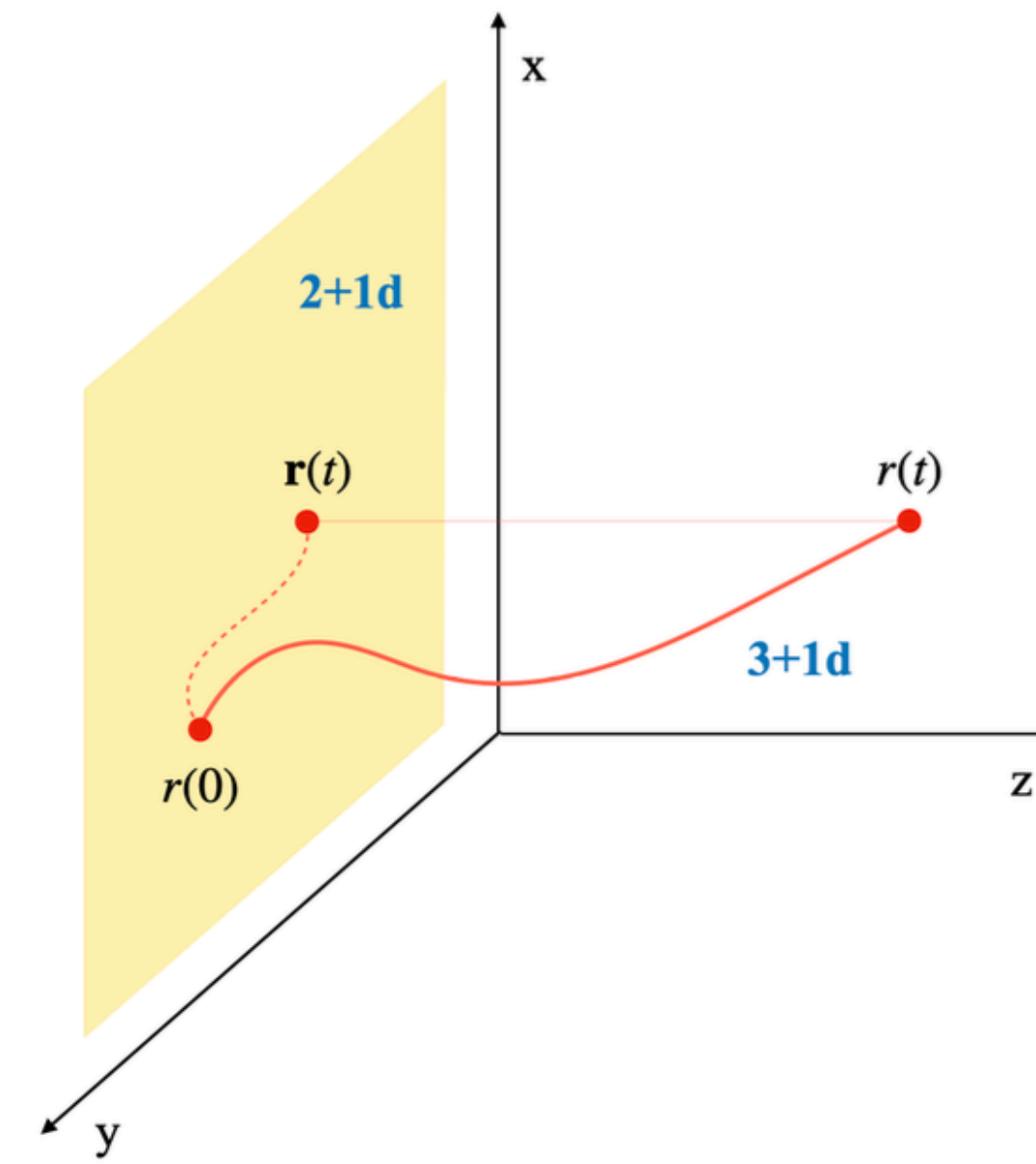
How can we learn about the perturbative sector?



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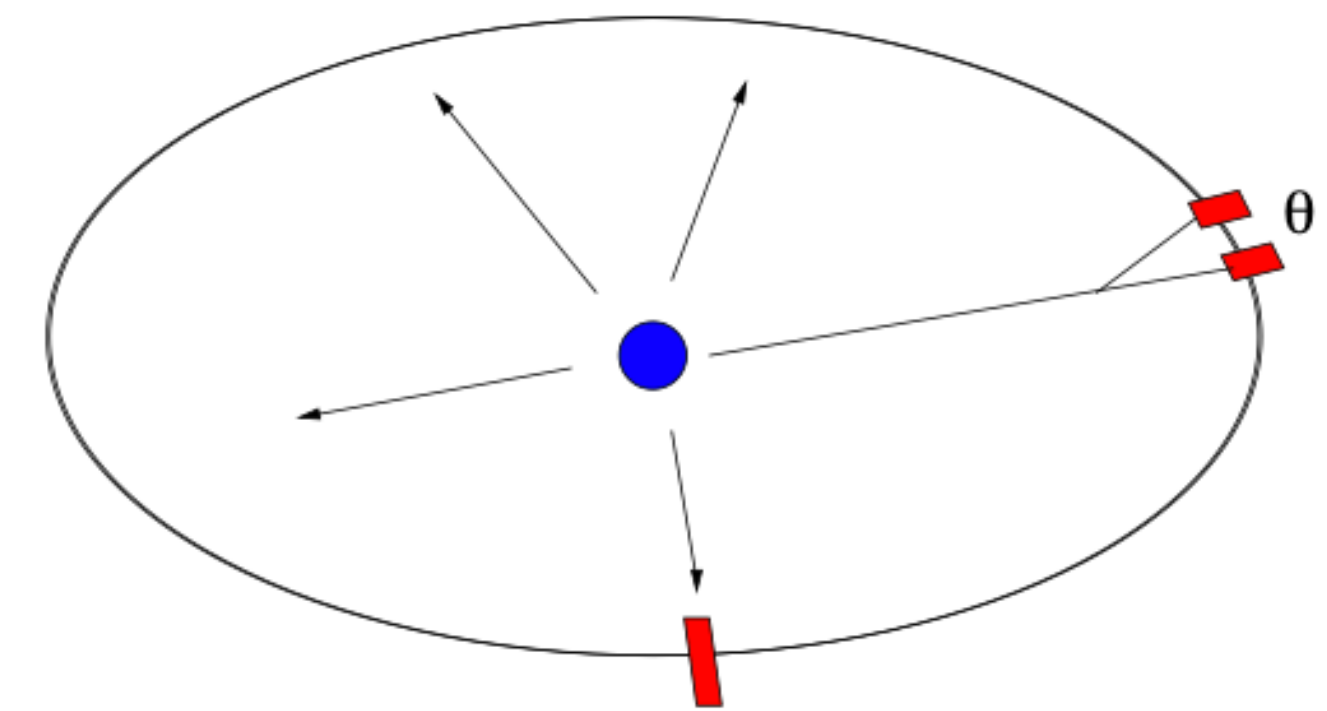
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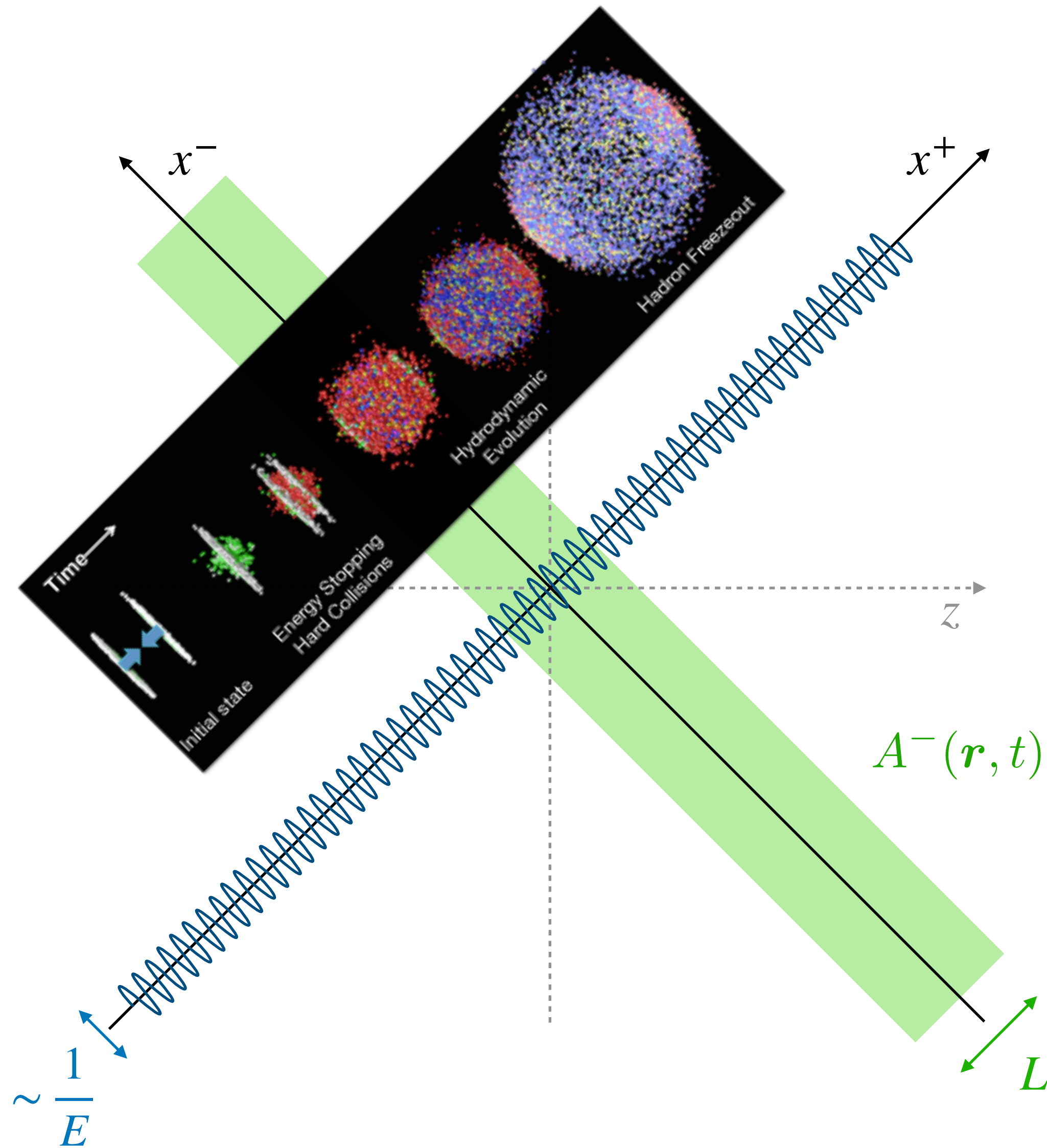
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The single parton wave function satisfies

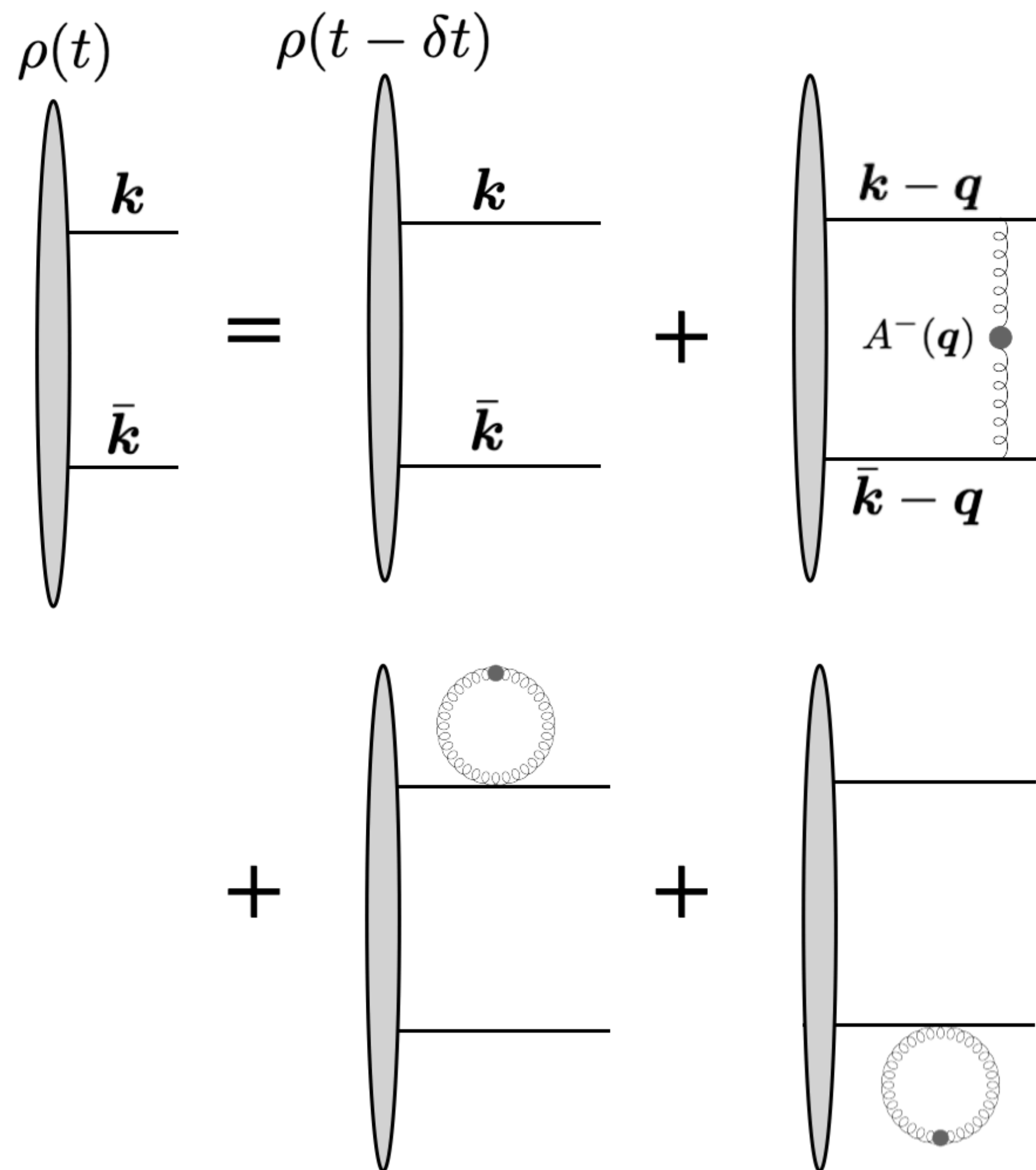
$$\left[i\partial_t + \underbrace{\frac{\partial_{\perp}^2}{2E}}_{\text{Light-front kinetic energy}} + \overbrace{gA(\mathbf{r}, t)}^{\text{Coupling to matter background}} \right] \psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = 0$$

The reduced density matrix can be defined as

$$\rho \equiv \text{tr}_A(\rho[A]) = \langle |\psi_A(t)\rangle \langle \psi_A(t)| \rangle_A$$

We use Gaussian approximation for the background field

$$g^2 \langle A^a(\mathbf{q}, t) A^{\dagger b}(\mathbf{q}', t') \rangle_A = \delta^{ab} \delta(t - t') (2\pi)^2 \delta^{(2)}(\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{q}') \gamma(\mathbf{q})$$



$$\mathbf{b} \equiv \frac{\mathbf{r} + \bar{\mathbf{r}}}{2}, \quad \mathbf{x} \equiv \mathbf{r} - \bar{\mathbf{r}} \quad \mathbf{K} = \frac{\mathbf{k} + \bar{\mathbf{k}}}{2}, \quad \boldsymbol{\ell} = \mathbf{k} - \bar{\mathbf{k}}$$

$$3 \otimes \bar{3} = 1 \oplus 8$$

$$\rho(t) \equiv \rho_s + t^a \rho_o^a = \frac{1}{N_c} \text{Tr}_c(\rho) + 2 t^a \text{Tr}_c(t^a \rho)$$

For color singlet:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathbf{k} | \rho_s(t) | \bar{\mathbf{k}} \rangle &= C_F \int_{\mathbf{q}} \int_0^t dt' e^{i \frac{(\mathbf{k}^2 - \bar{\mathbf{k}}^2)}{2E} (t-t')} \\ &\times \gamma(\mathbf{q}) \left[\langle \mathbf{k} - \mathbf{q} | \rho_s(t') | \bar{\mathbf{k}} - \mathbf{q} \rangle - \langle \mathbf{k} | \rho_s(t') | \bar{\mathbf{k}} \rangle \right] \end{aligned}$$

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There are 3 important timescales in this problem:

$$t_2^3 = t_1 t_0^2 \quad \theta_\mu^2 = \frac{\mu^2}{E^2}, \quad \theta_c^2(t) = \frac{1}{\hat{q}t^3}, \quad \theta_{\text{br}}^2(t) = \frac{\hat{q}t}{E^2}$$

The natural spreading time for the initial wavepacket

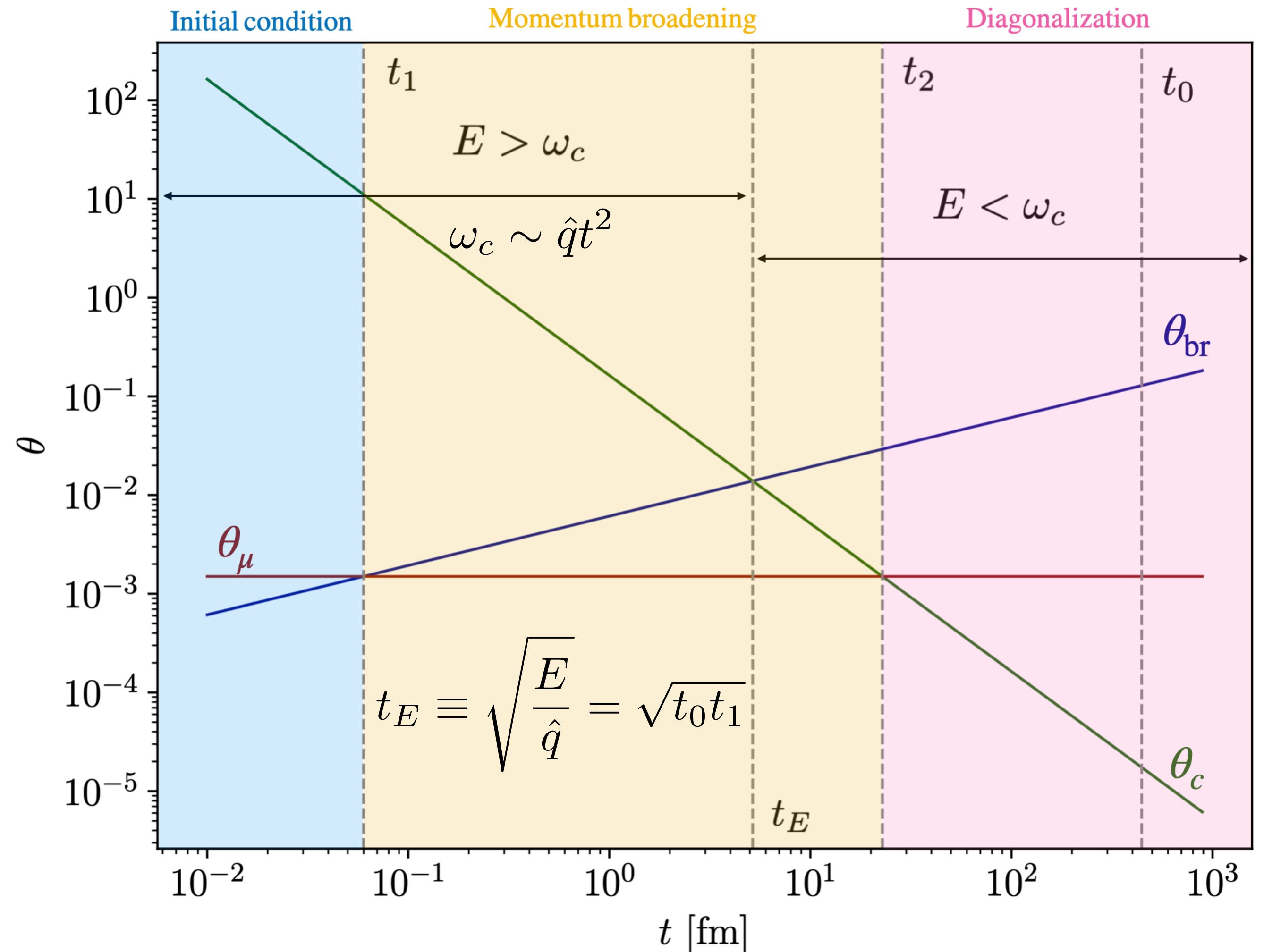
$$t_0 = \frac{E}{\mu^2}$$

The timescale for interactions to become noticeable

$$t_1 = \frac{\mu^2}{\hat{q}}$$

The timescale for spatial displacement

$$t_2^3 = \frac{E^2}{\hat{q}\mu^2}$$



$$t_2^3 = t_1 t_0^2$$

$$t_0 > t_2 > t_1$$

vs

$$t_0 < t_2 < t_1$$

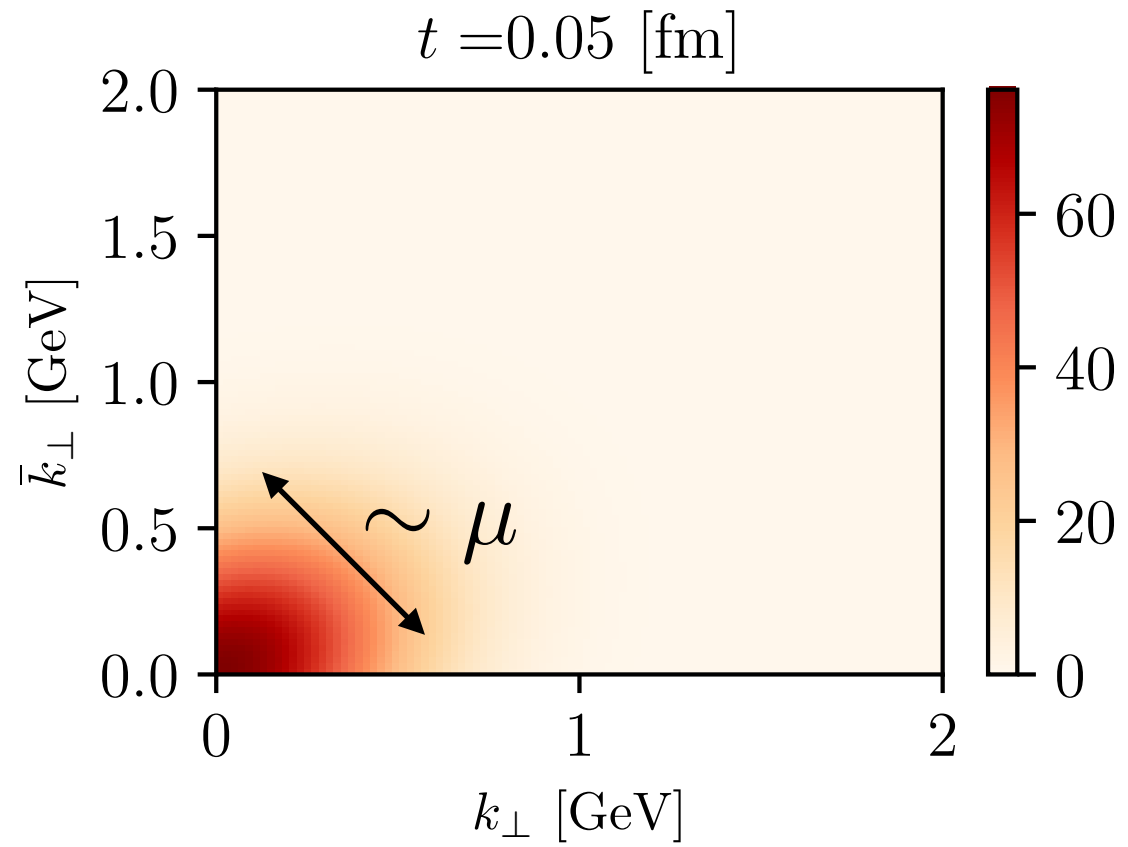
Medium-parton interactions
dominate evolution

Natural wave packet spreading
determines evolution

$$\hat{q} = 0.3 \text{ GeV}^3, \mu = 0.3 \text{ GeV}, \text{ and } E = 200 \text{ GeV}$$

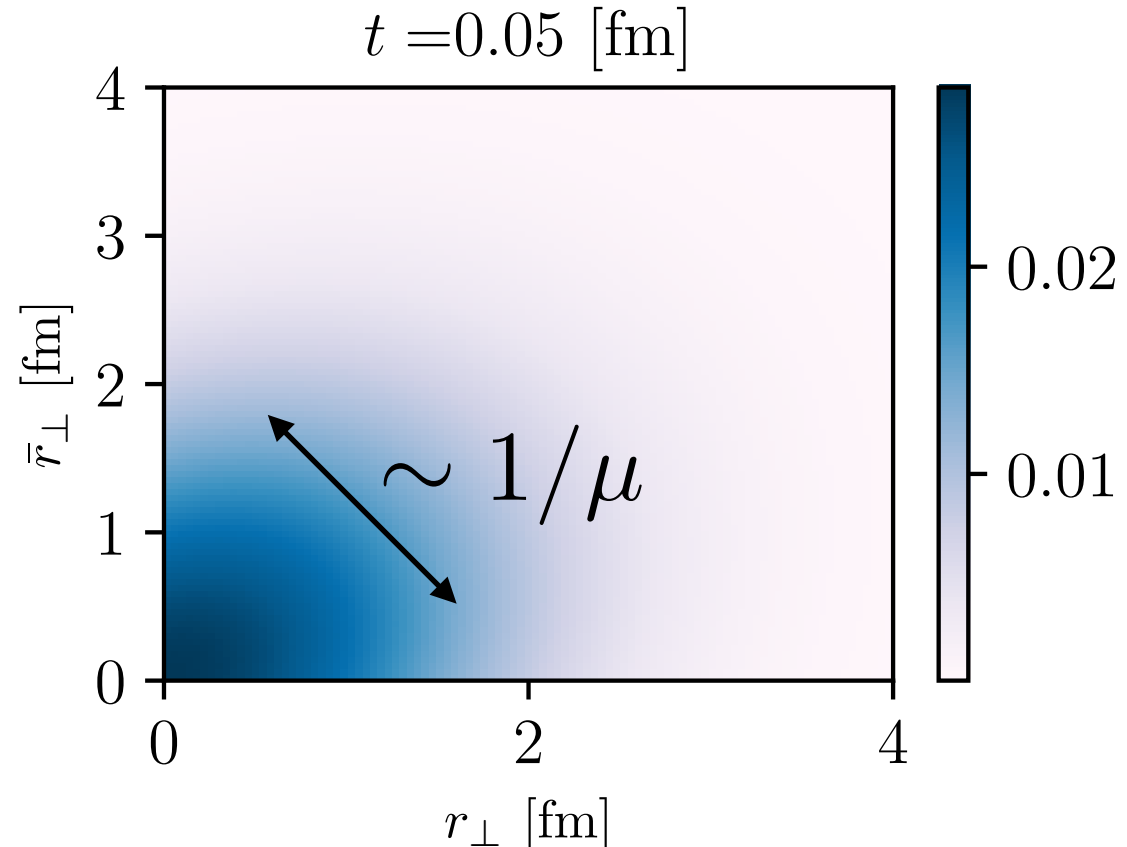
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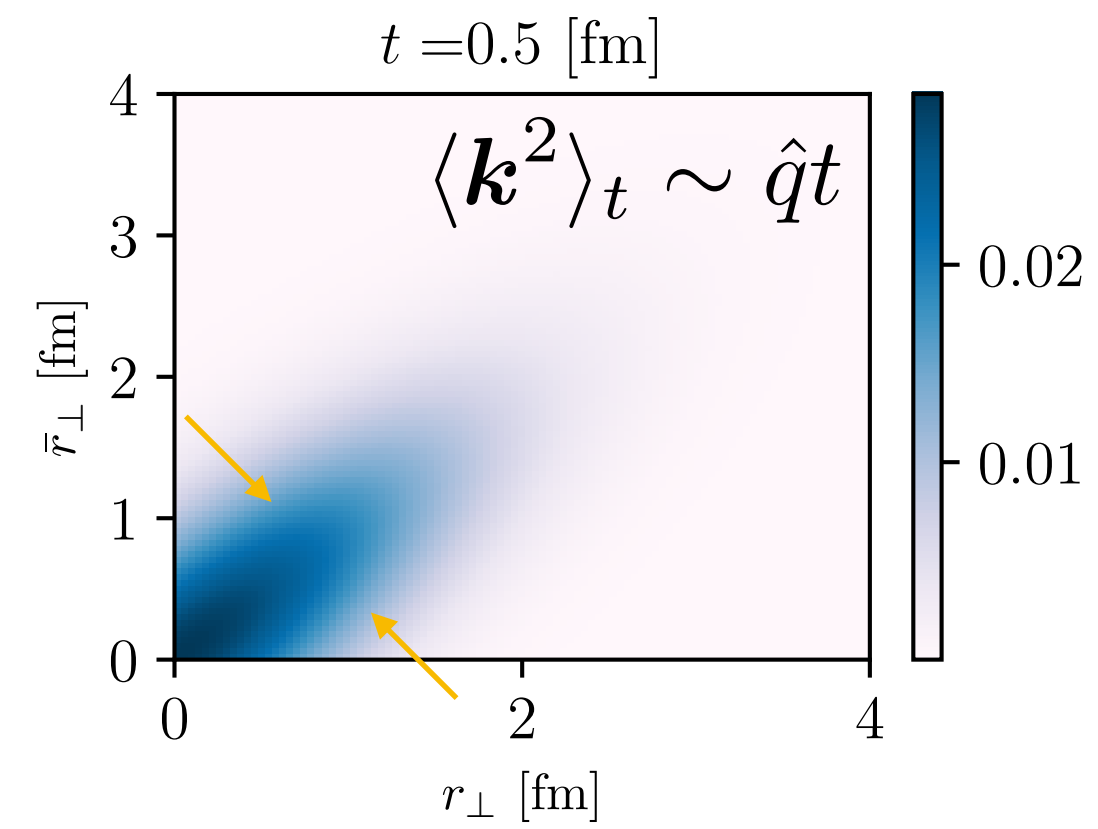
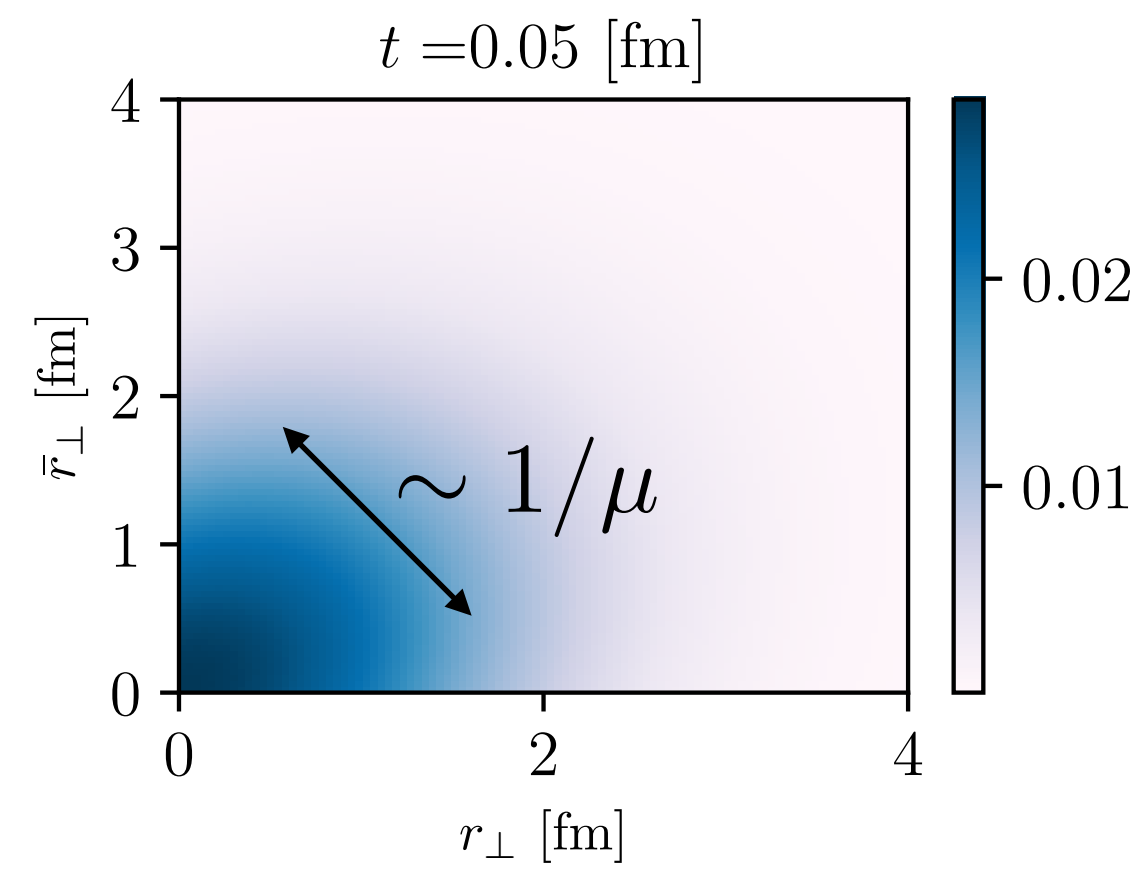
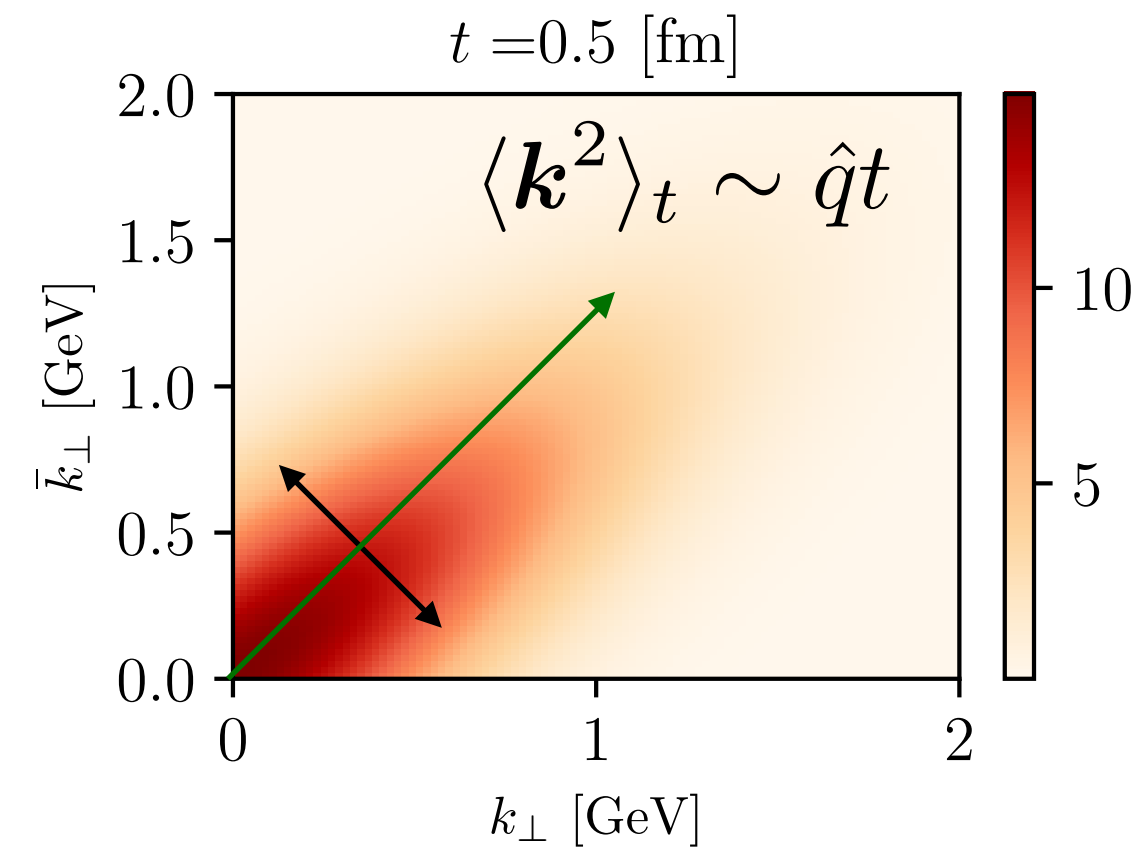
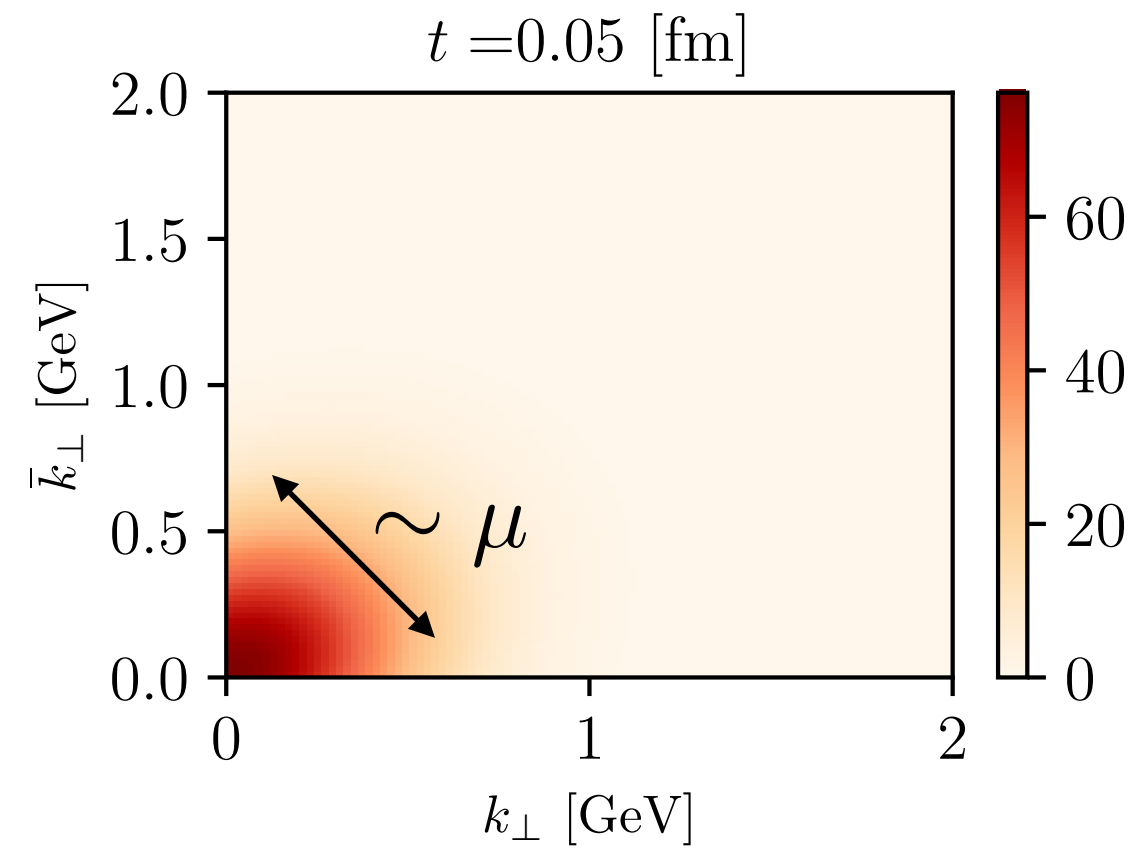
Momentum space

time

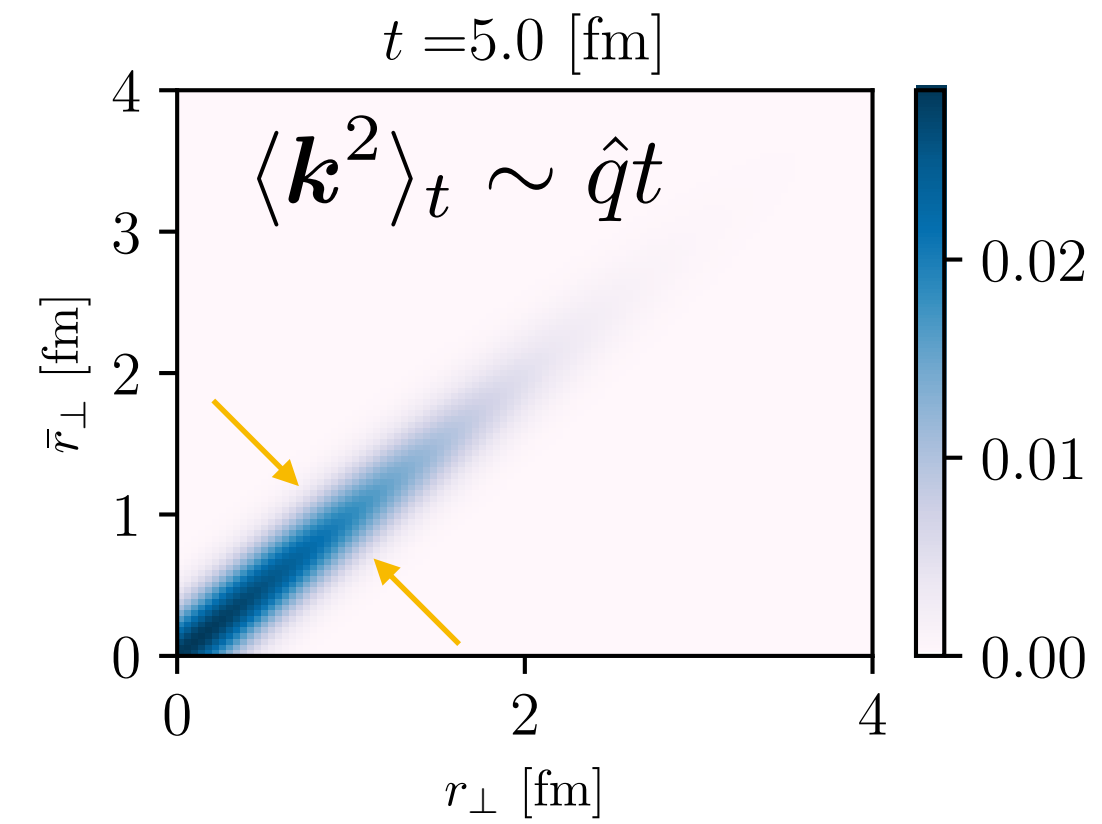
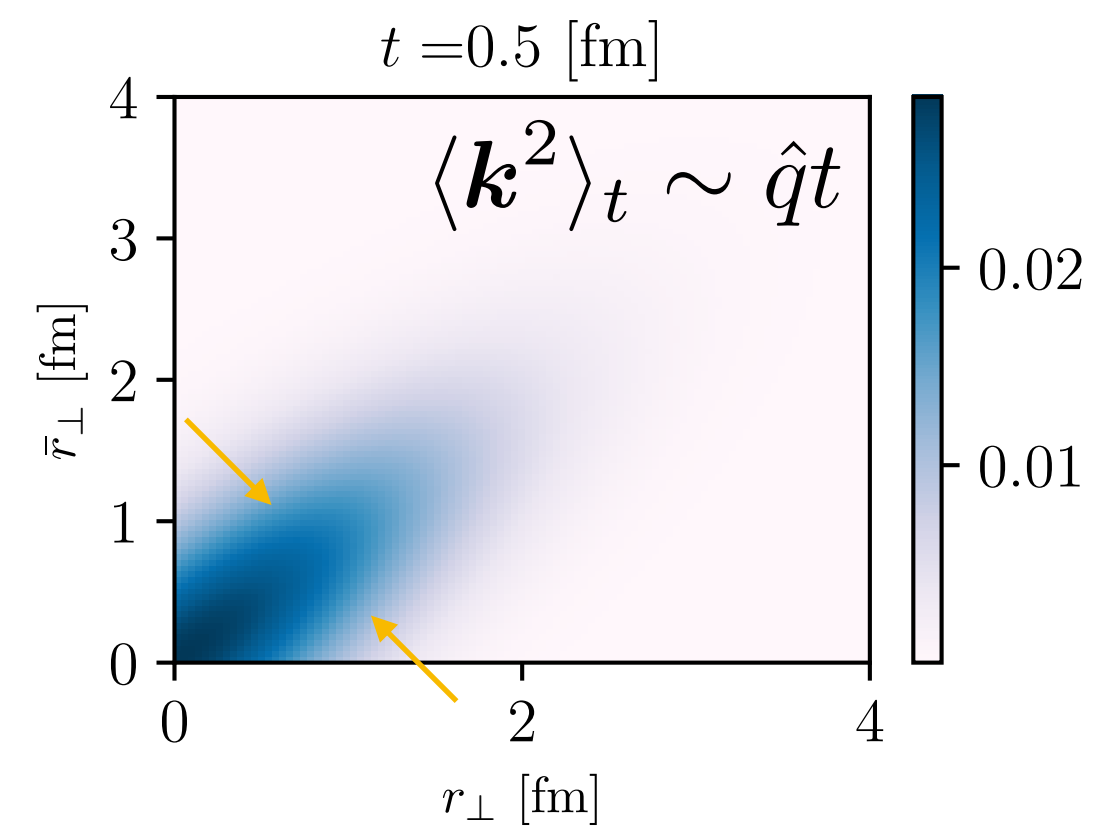
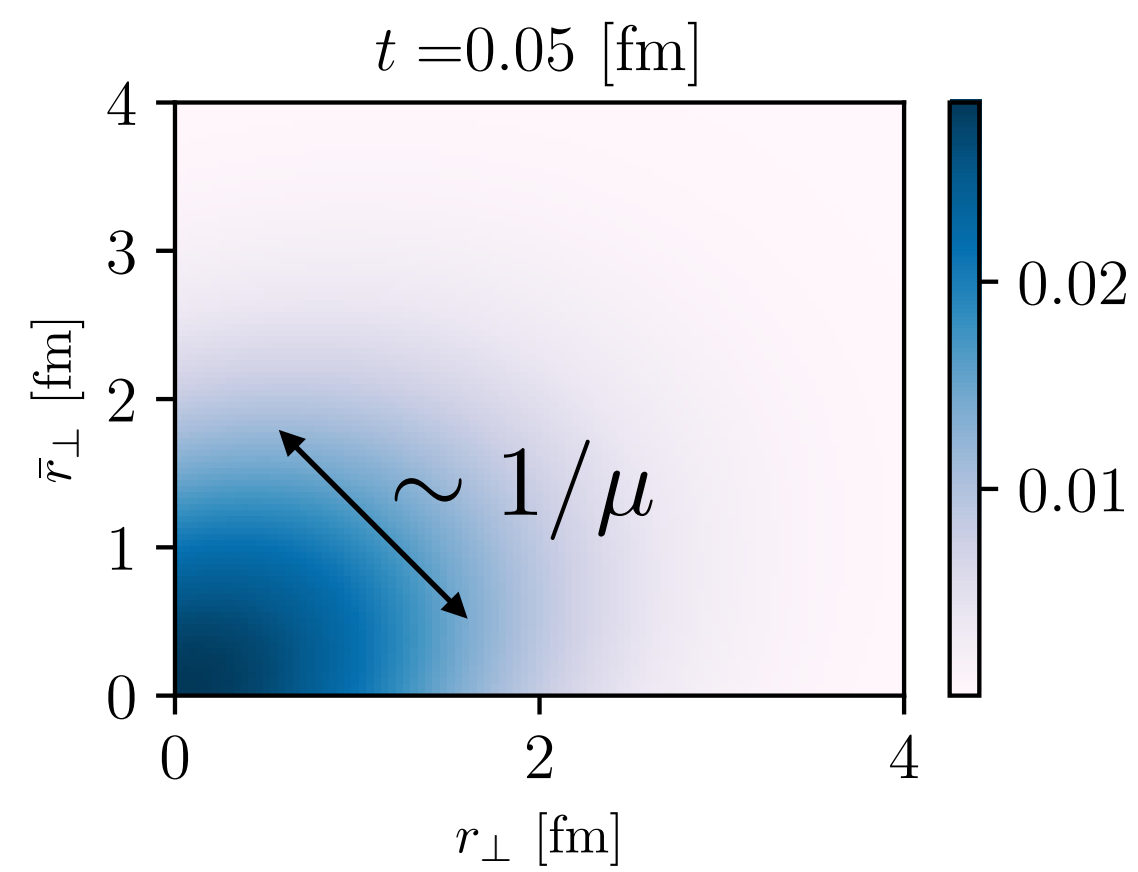
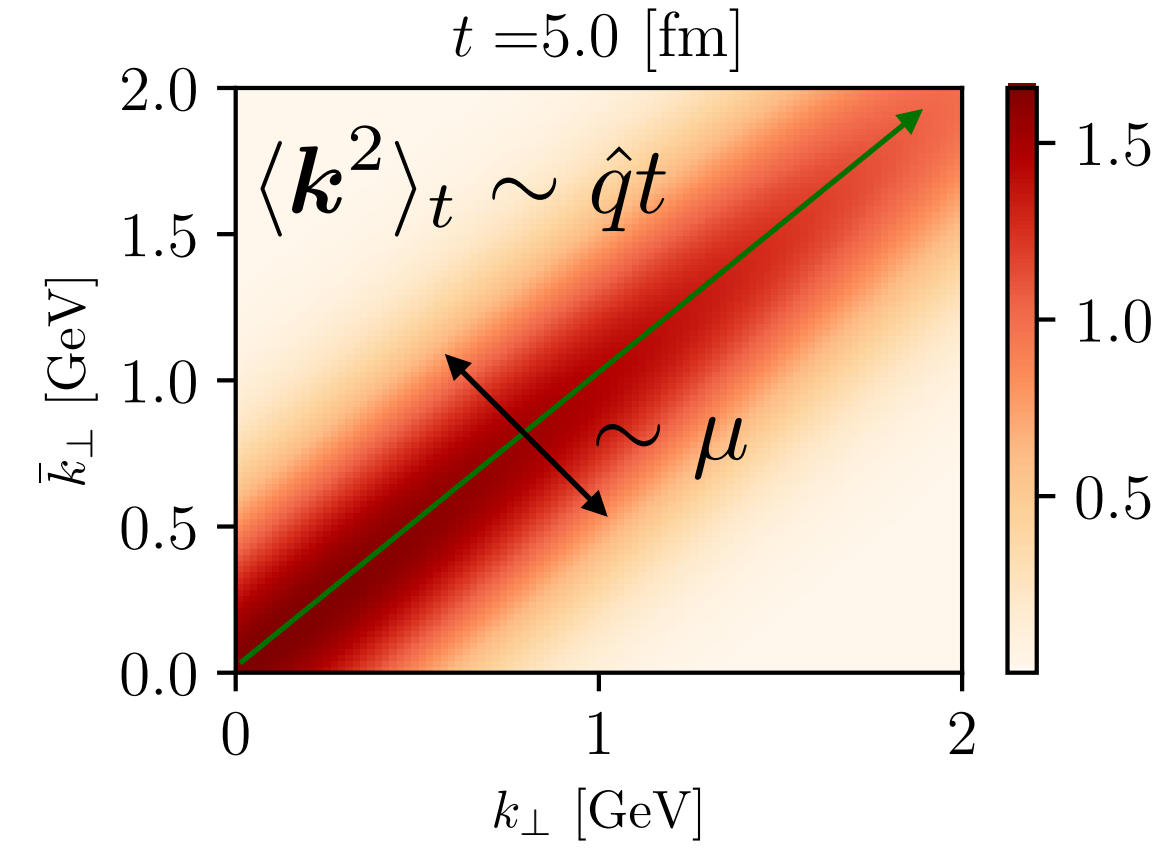
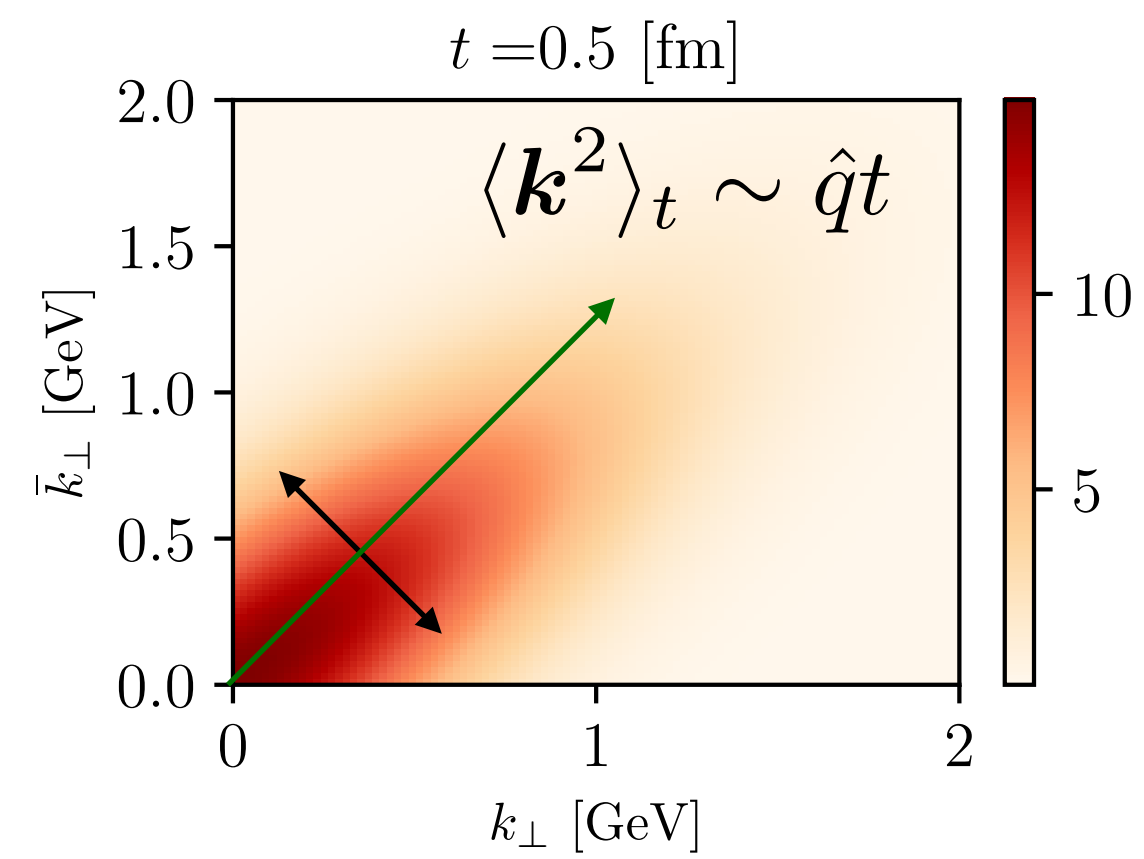
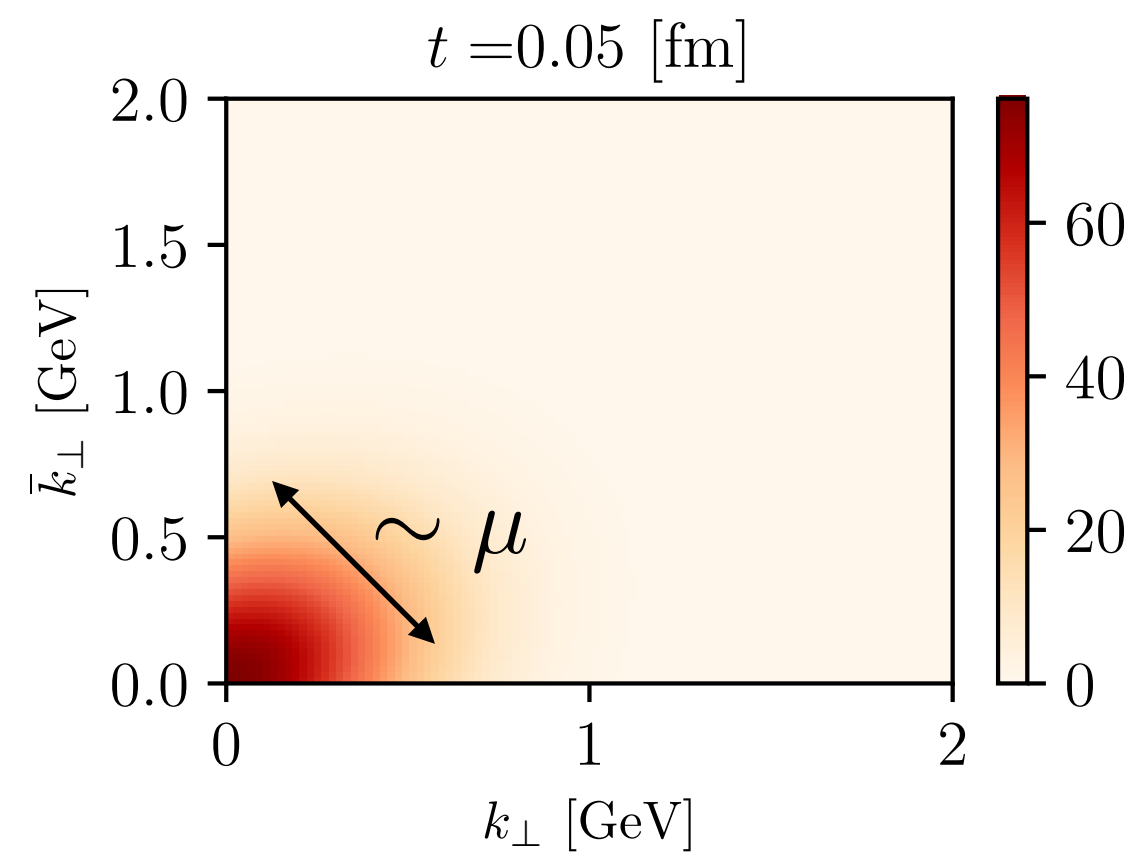


Position space

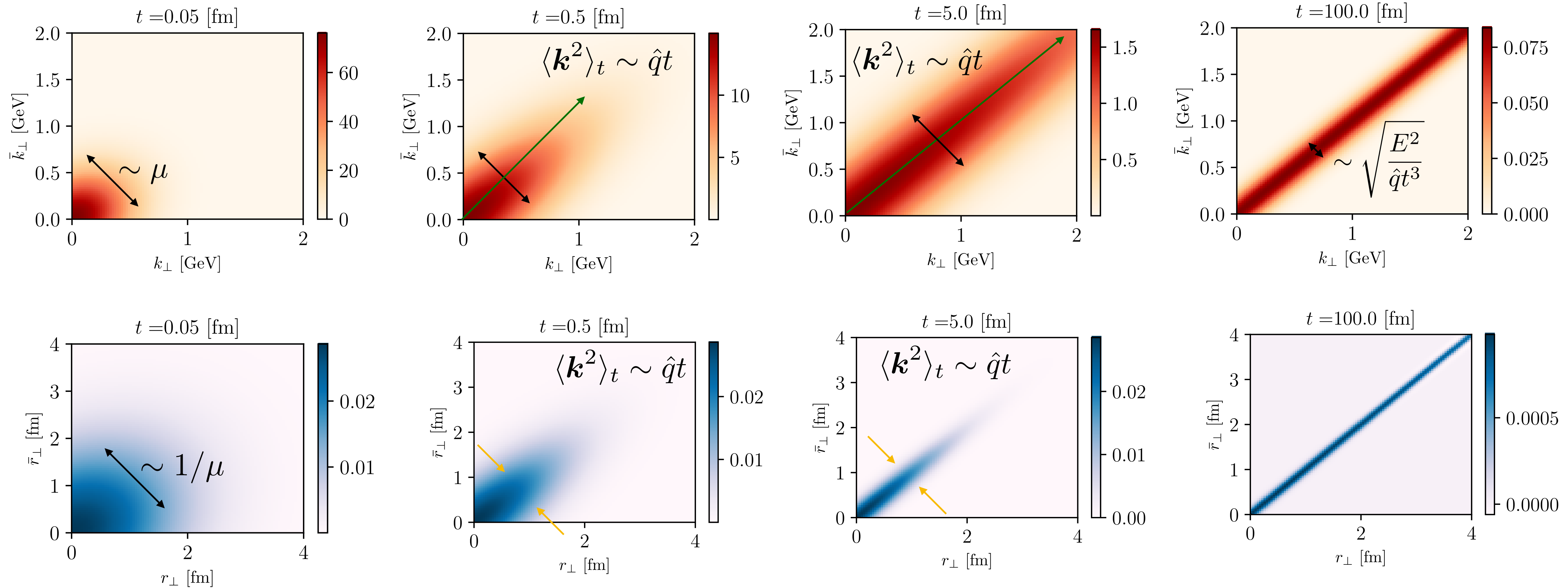
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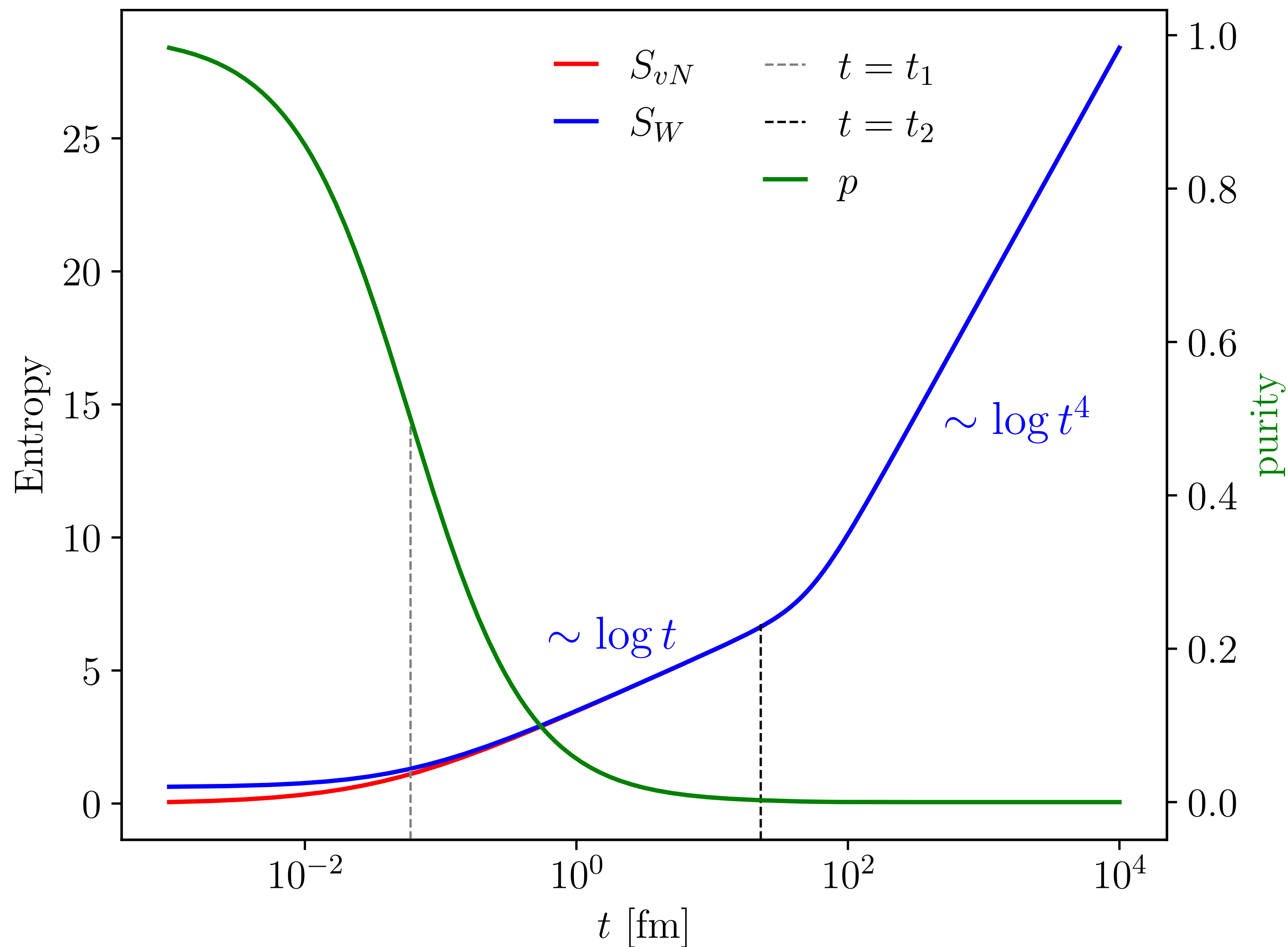


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Entropy as a measure of quantum to classical transition

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von-Neumann entropy

$$S_{vN}[\rho] = -\text{Tr} \rho \ln \rho$$

Wigner entropy

$$S_w \equiv - \int_{\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{b}} \rho_w(\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{K}) \log \rho_w(\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{K})$$

Asymptotically, one has that

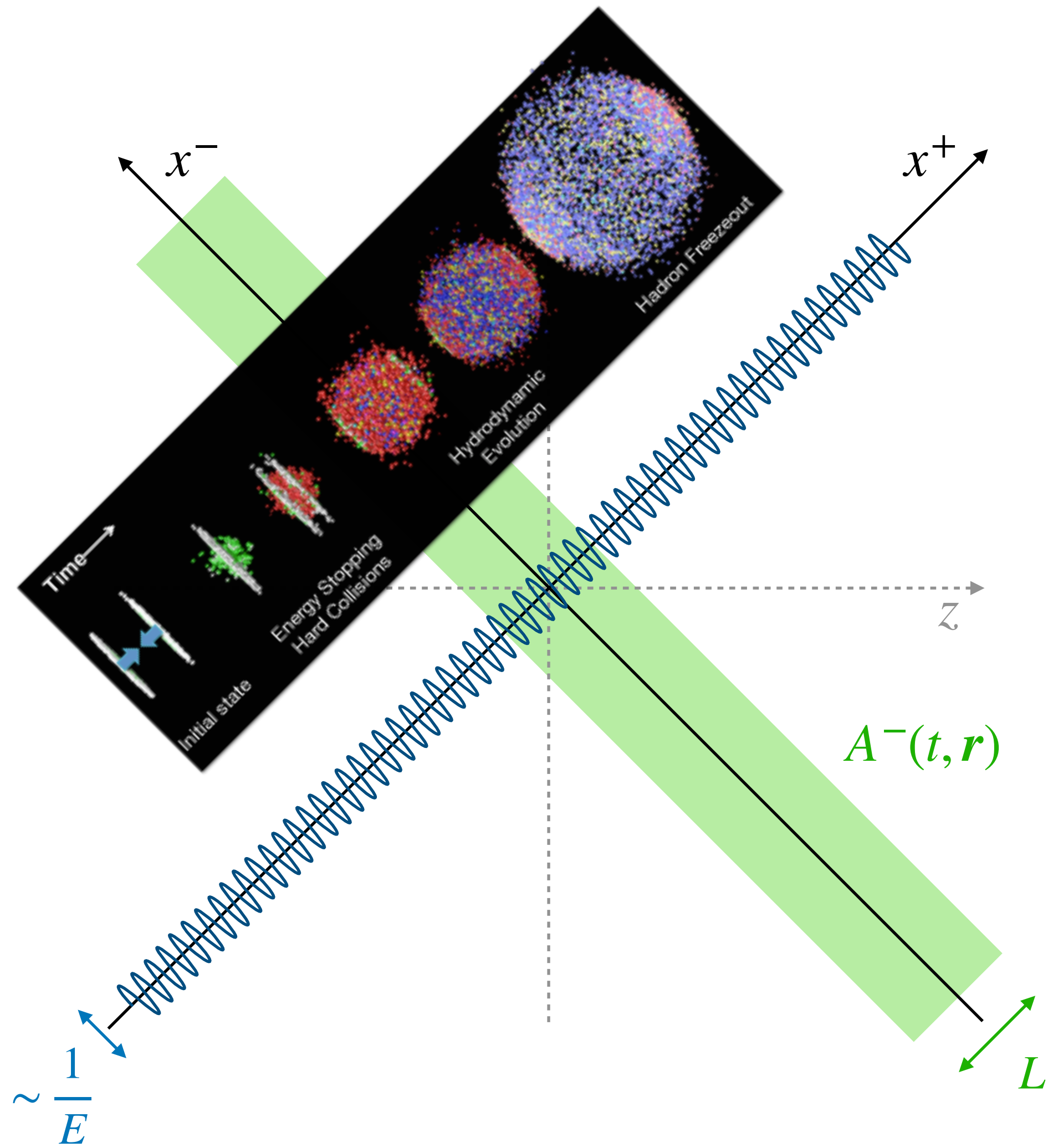
$$S_{vN} \simeq \ln \langle \mathbf{k}^2 \rangle_t \langle \mathbf{b}^2 \rangle_t$$

thus, the **entropy content of the density matrix coincides with that of a classical distribution**

Jet entropy and gluon radiation

2307.01792, with X. Du, M. Li, W. Qian, C. Salgado

also 2208.06750, 2104.04661, and previous works by M. Li et al

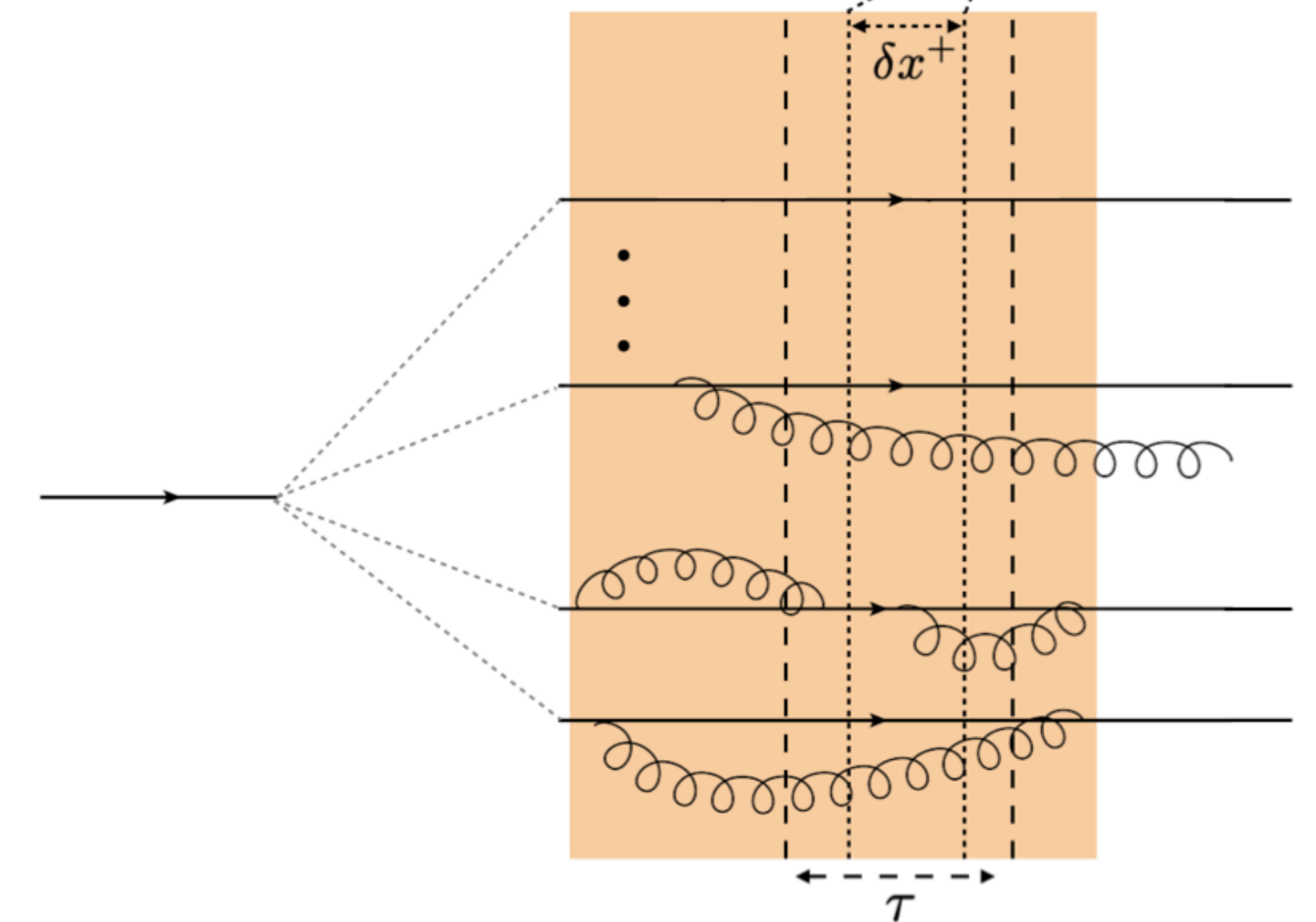
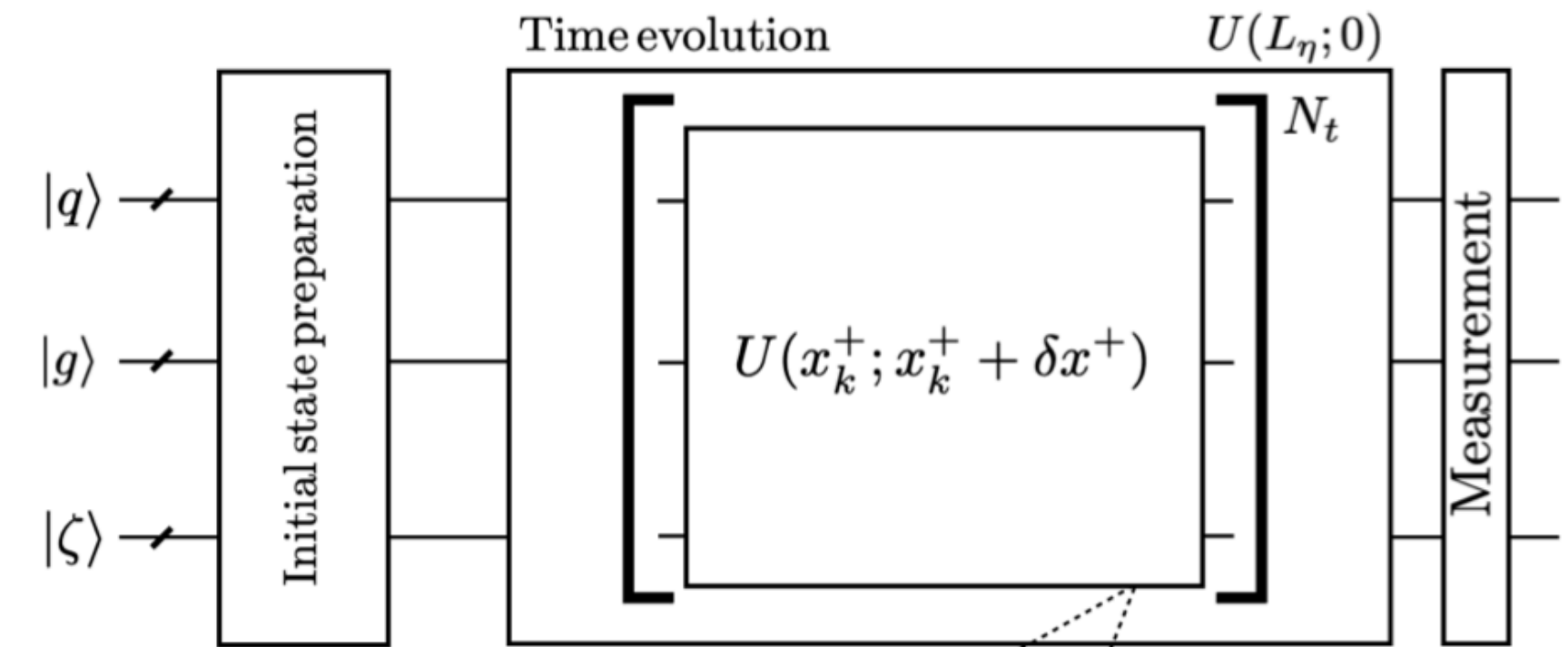


$$|\psi\rangle = e^{-iHt} |\psi_0\rangle$$

Jet evolution can be formulated
in Hamiltonian formalism



Using new techniques from QIS,
this allows to explore real time
dynamics

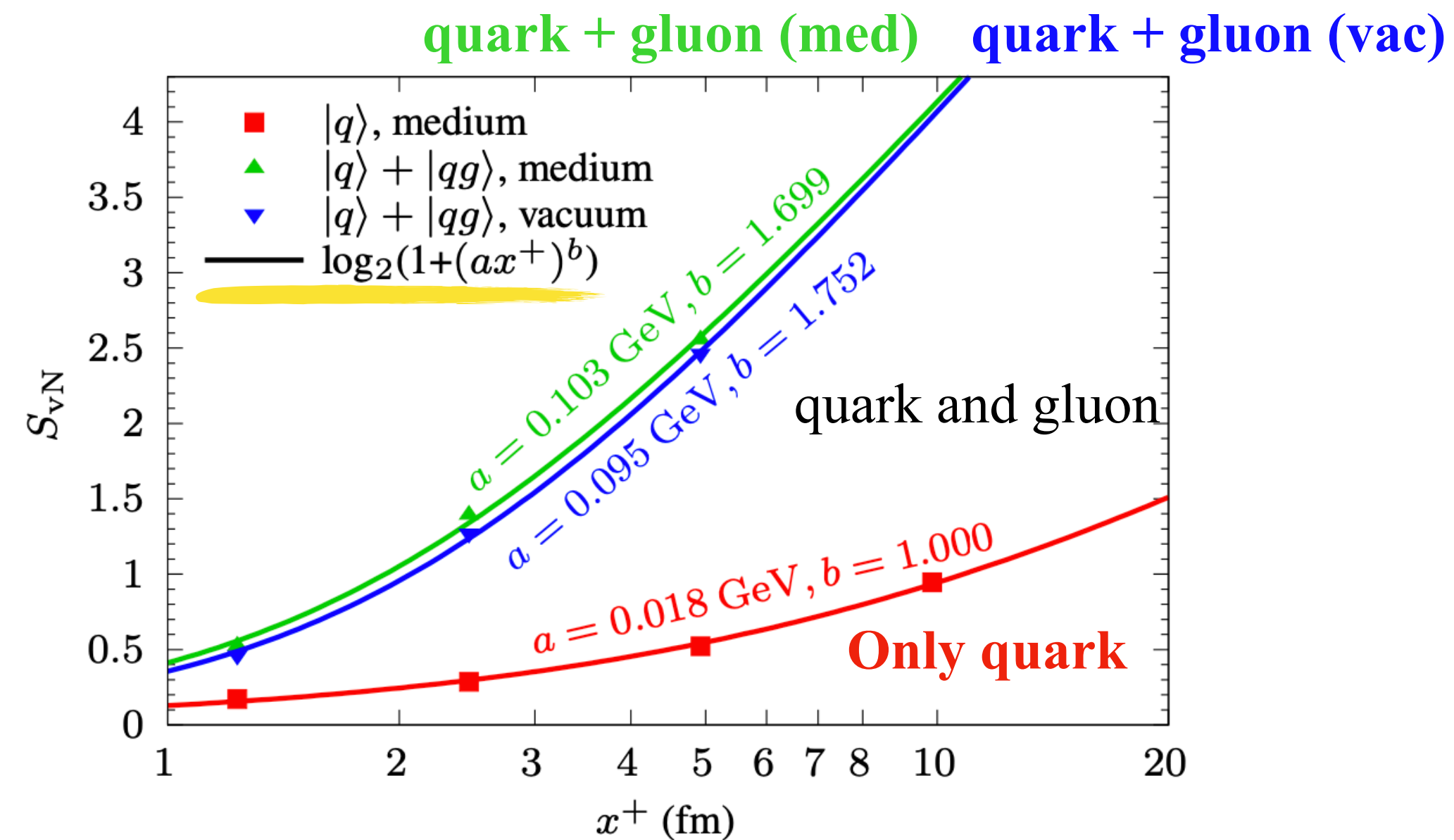
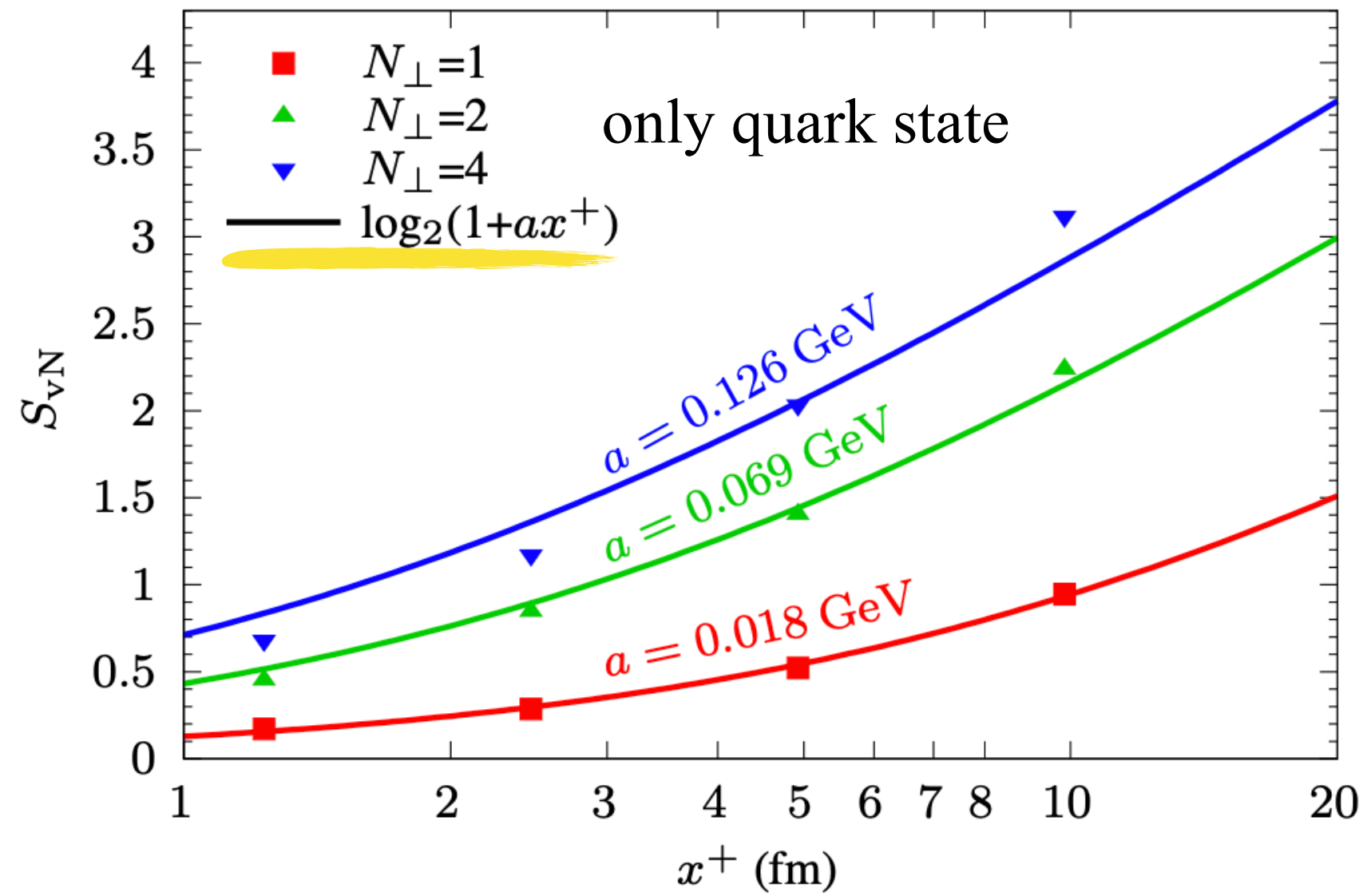


$$+\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$$

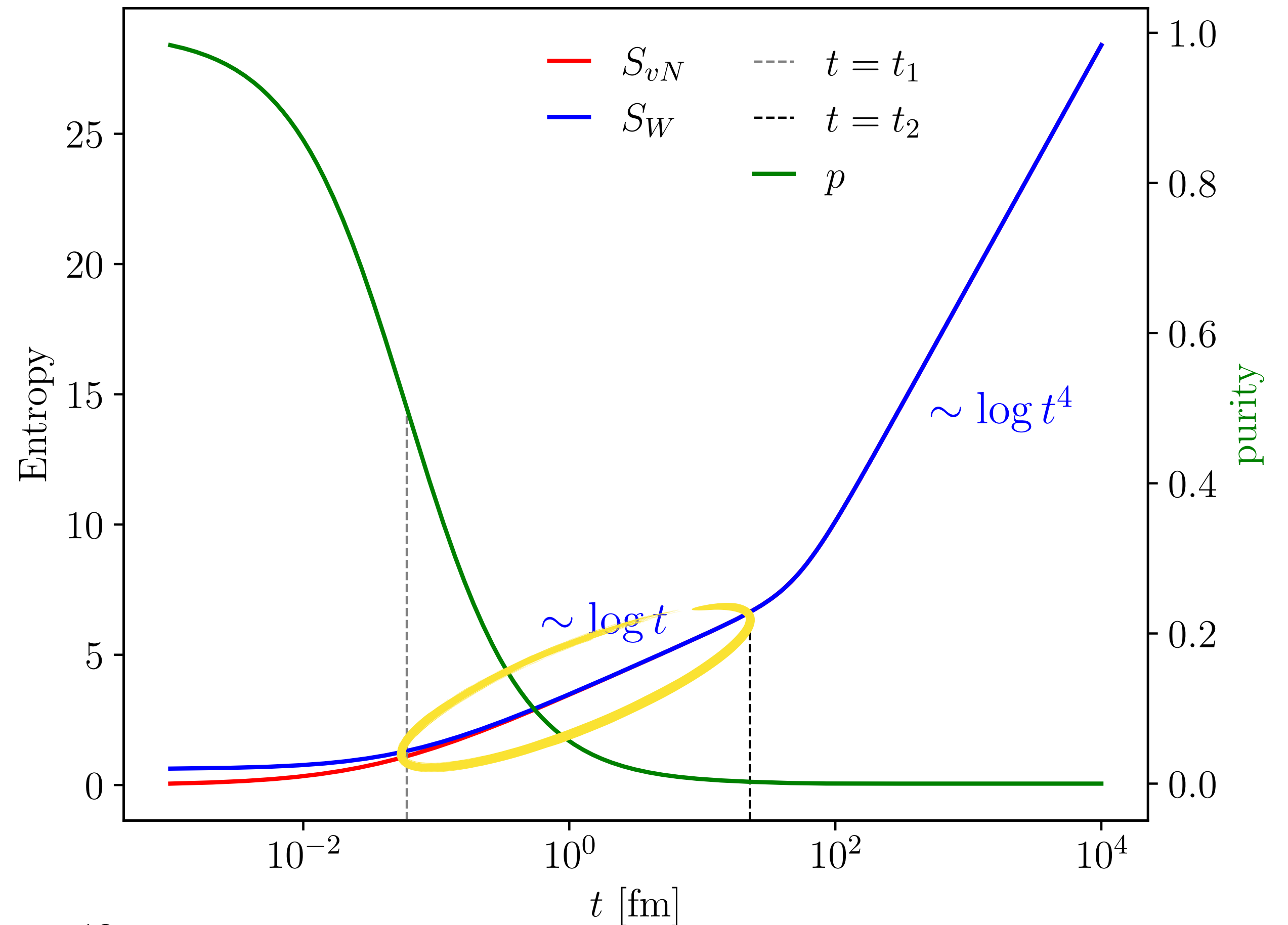
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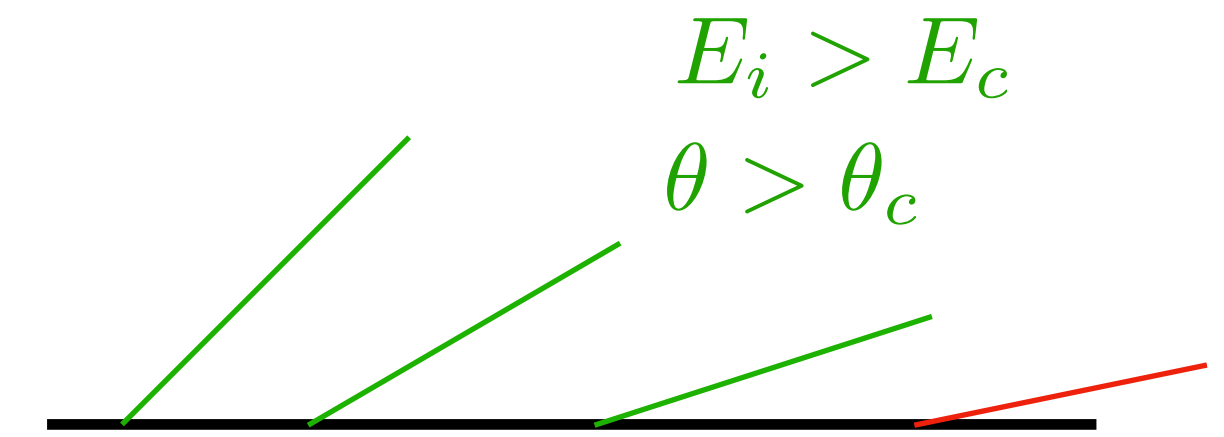


Largest contribution to entropy is due to gluon production

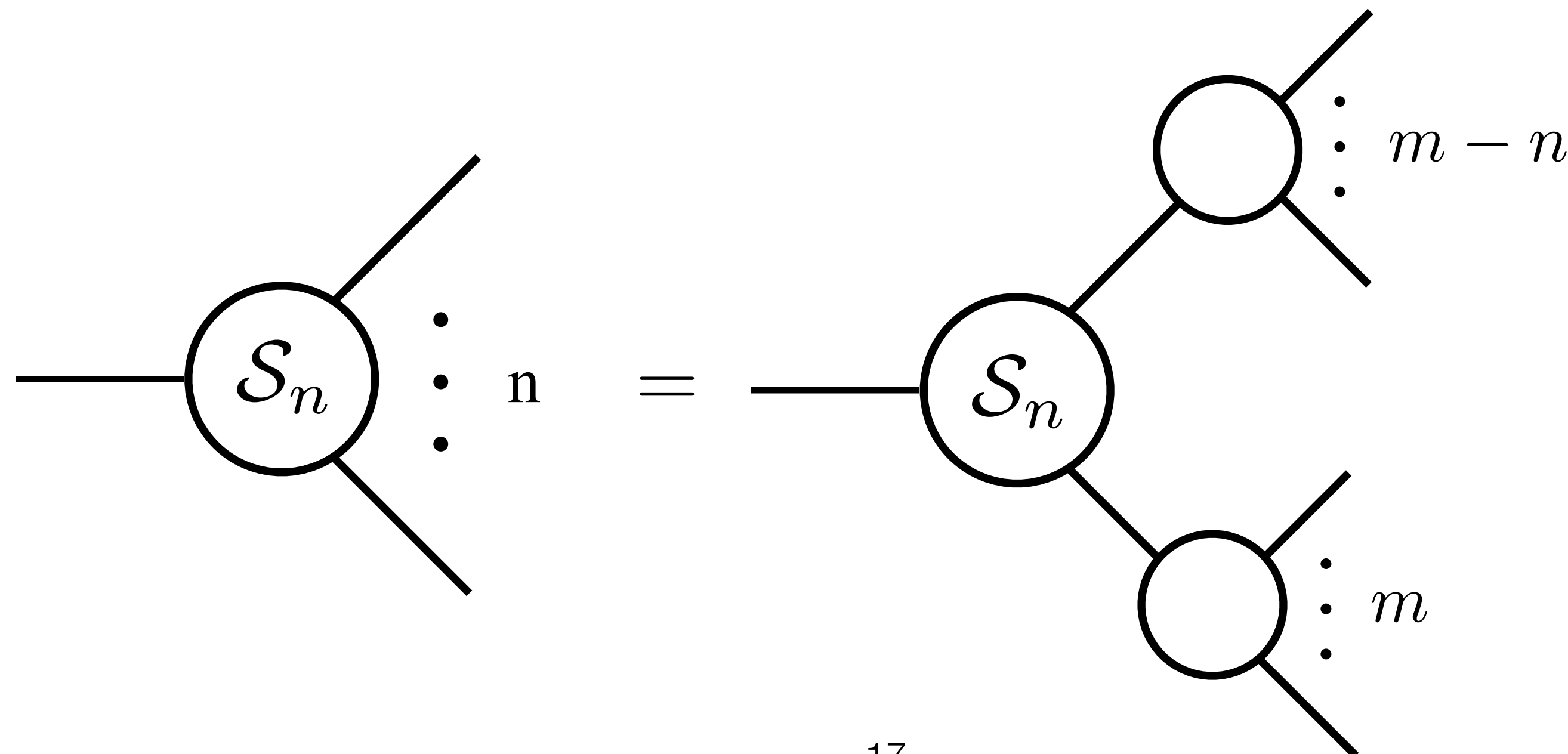


Going beyond: assuming the decoherence mechanism in the QGP works at late times, we can write the entropy for the hardest subjects in a jet

$$\mathcal{S} = - \sum_n \int d\Pi_n \frac{dP}{d\Pi_n} \log \frac{dP}{d\Pi_n} = \sum_n \mathcal{S}_n \quad \text{2019, Neill, Waalewijn}$$



At leading logarithmic accuracy and using a physical gauge, we can then write

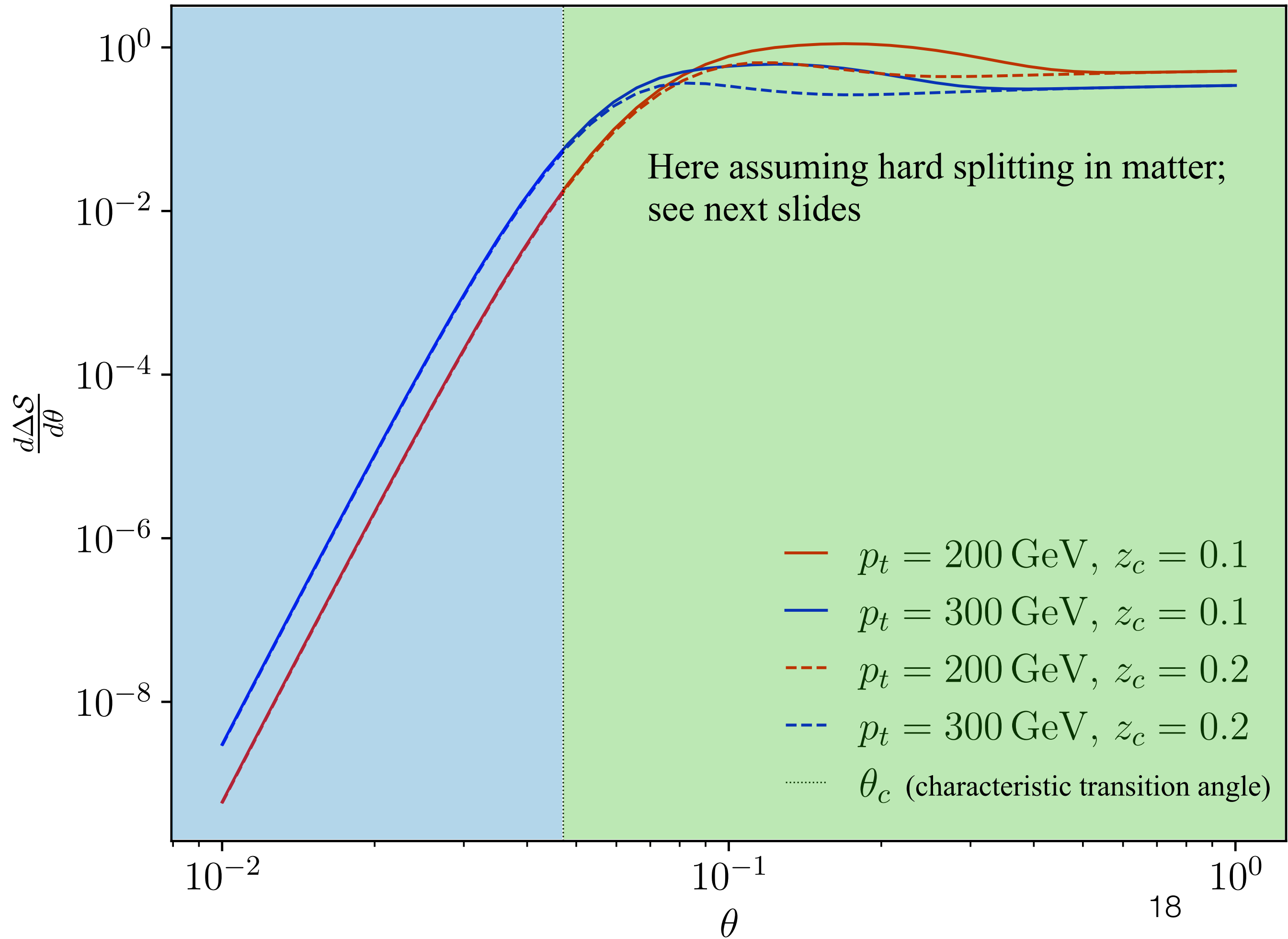


Example: modified splitting kernel

in preparation, JB, J.-P. Blaizot, Y. Mehtar-Tani

Medium induced radiation: at LO the modified splitting function can always be written as $\frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} (1 + F_{\text{med}})$

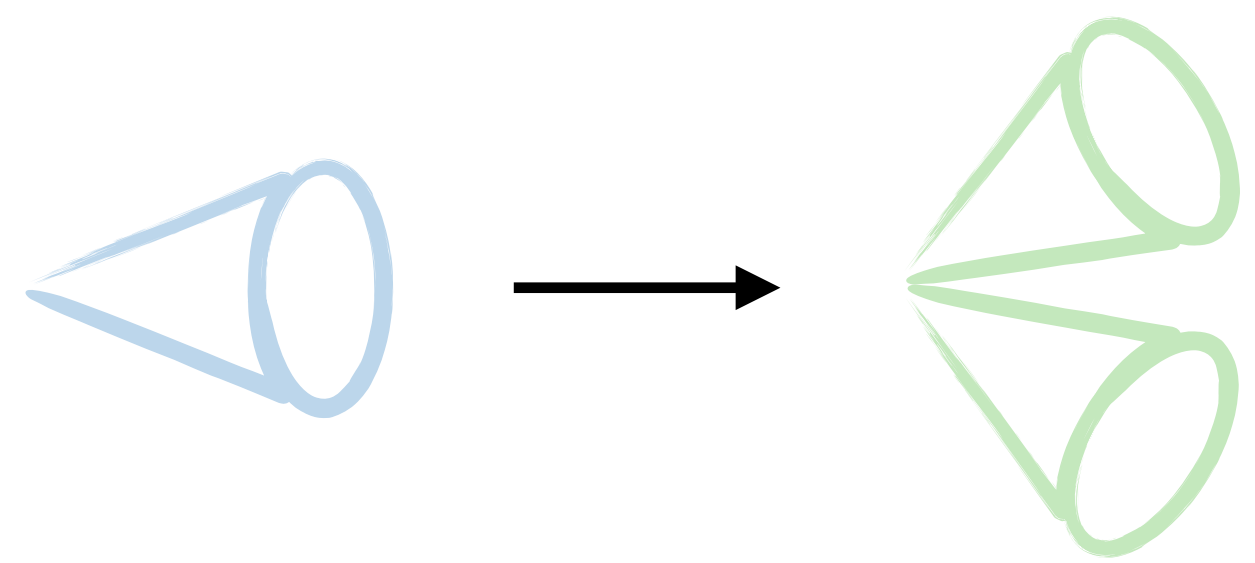
The **entropy variation with respect to the vacuum** then reads



$$\frac{d[\Delta\mathcal{S}](p_t)}{d\theta} \approx \frac{2\alpha_s}{\pi\theta} \left\{ \int_{z_c}^1 \frac{dz}{z} \log \left[\frac{e^{F_{\text{med}}(\theta, z)}}{1 + F_{\text{med}}(\theta, z)} \right] \right\}$$

which exhibits a sharp transition between the **coherent** and **decoherent** regimes

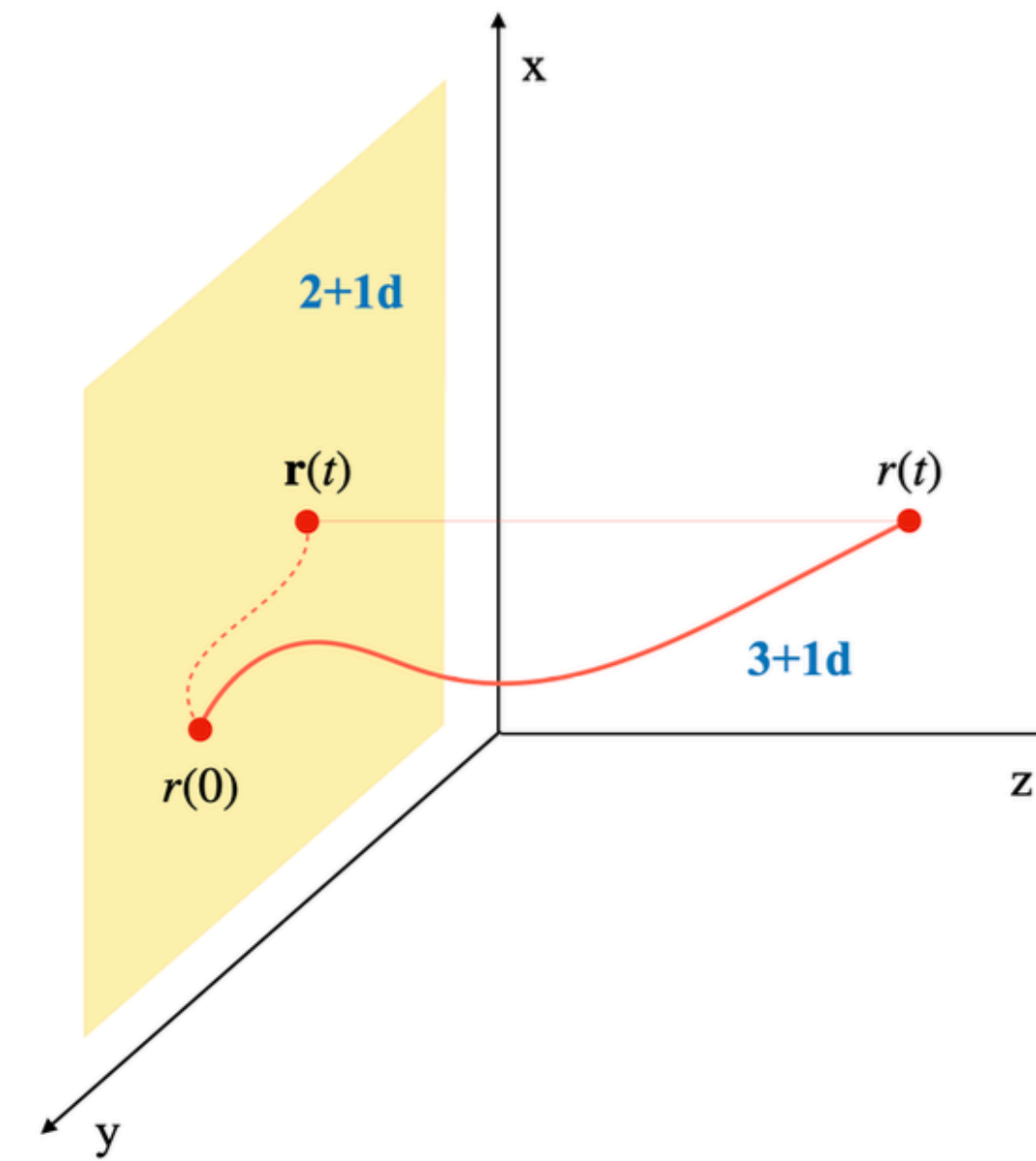
This offers another way to understand the structure of jets



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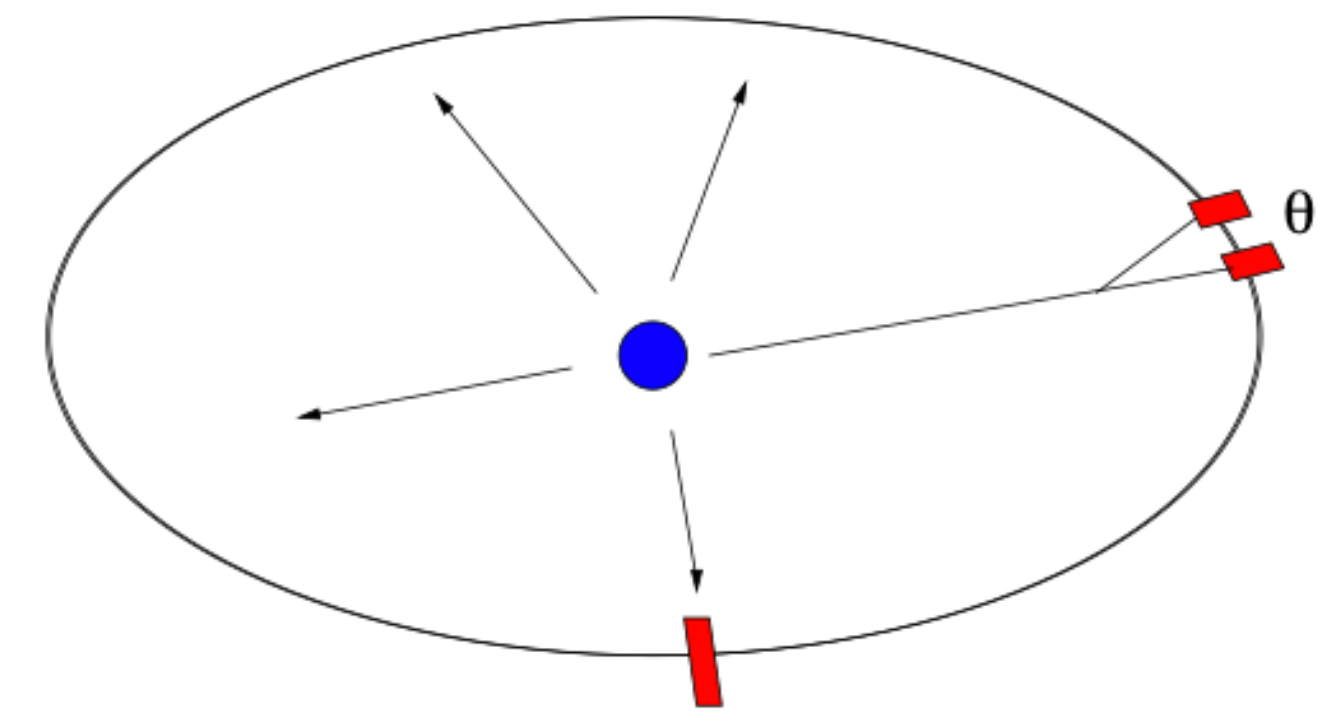
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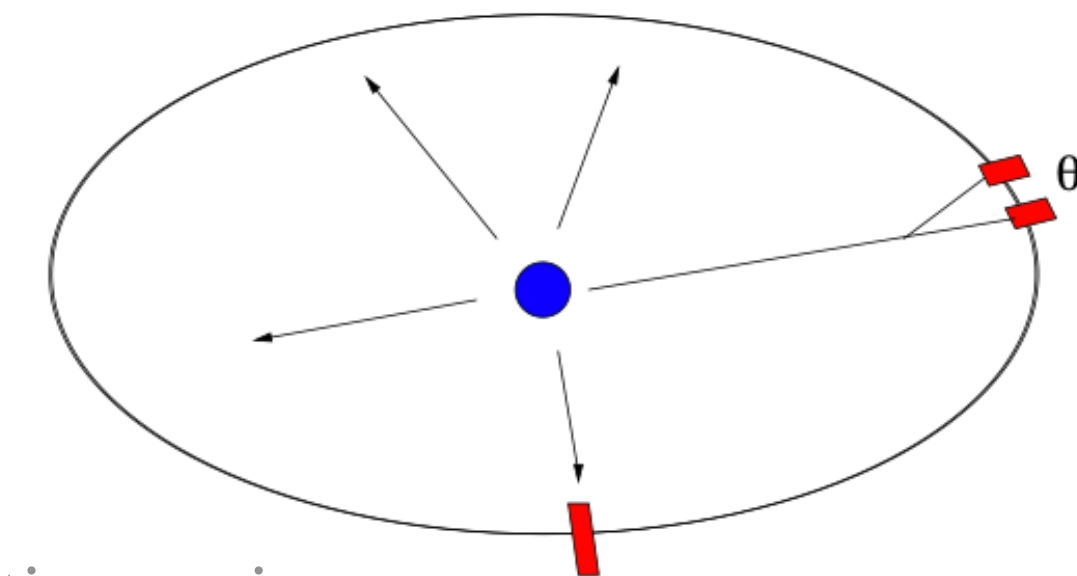
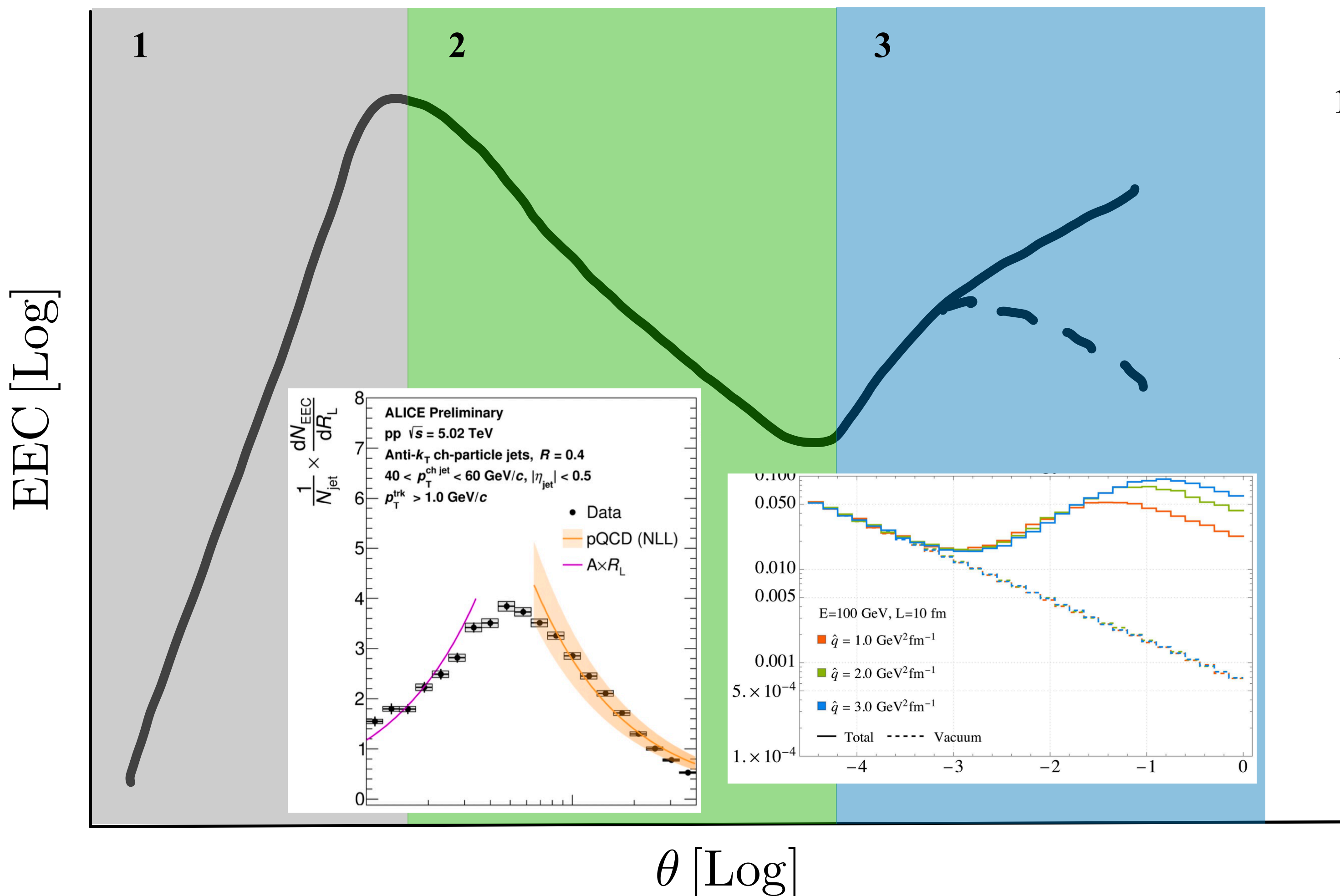
ENCs boil down to measuring projections of correlations functions of the **flow/light-ray operator**

$$\mathcal{E}(\vec{n}) = \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \int dt r^2 n^i T^{0i}(t, r \vec{n}) \quad \longrightarrow \quad \langle 0 | \bar{\psi}(x) \mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_1) \mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_2) \psi(0) | 0 \rangle$$

For the two point functions one can show

$$\frac{d\Sigma}{d\theta} = \int_{\vec{n}_1, \vec{n}_2} \frac{\langle \mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_1) \mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_2) \rangle}{p_t^2} \delta(\vec{n}_1 \cdot \vec{n}_2 - \cos \theta) \quad \longrightarrow \quad \frac{d\Sigma}{d\theta} = \int_z \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma d\theta dz} z(1-z)$$

Non-perturbative region Perturbative regime Wide angle region



1. Non-perturbative region:

Vacuum: sensitive to confinement scale

In-medium: modifications to hadronization pattern, connection to QCD phase diagram (?)

2. Perturbative region:

Vacuum: Described by γ_{ij} of the relevant spin-3 operators

In-medium: pQCD computable jet modifications

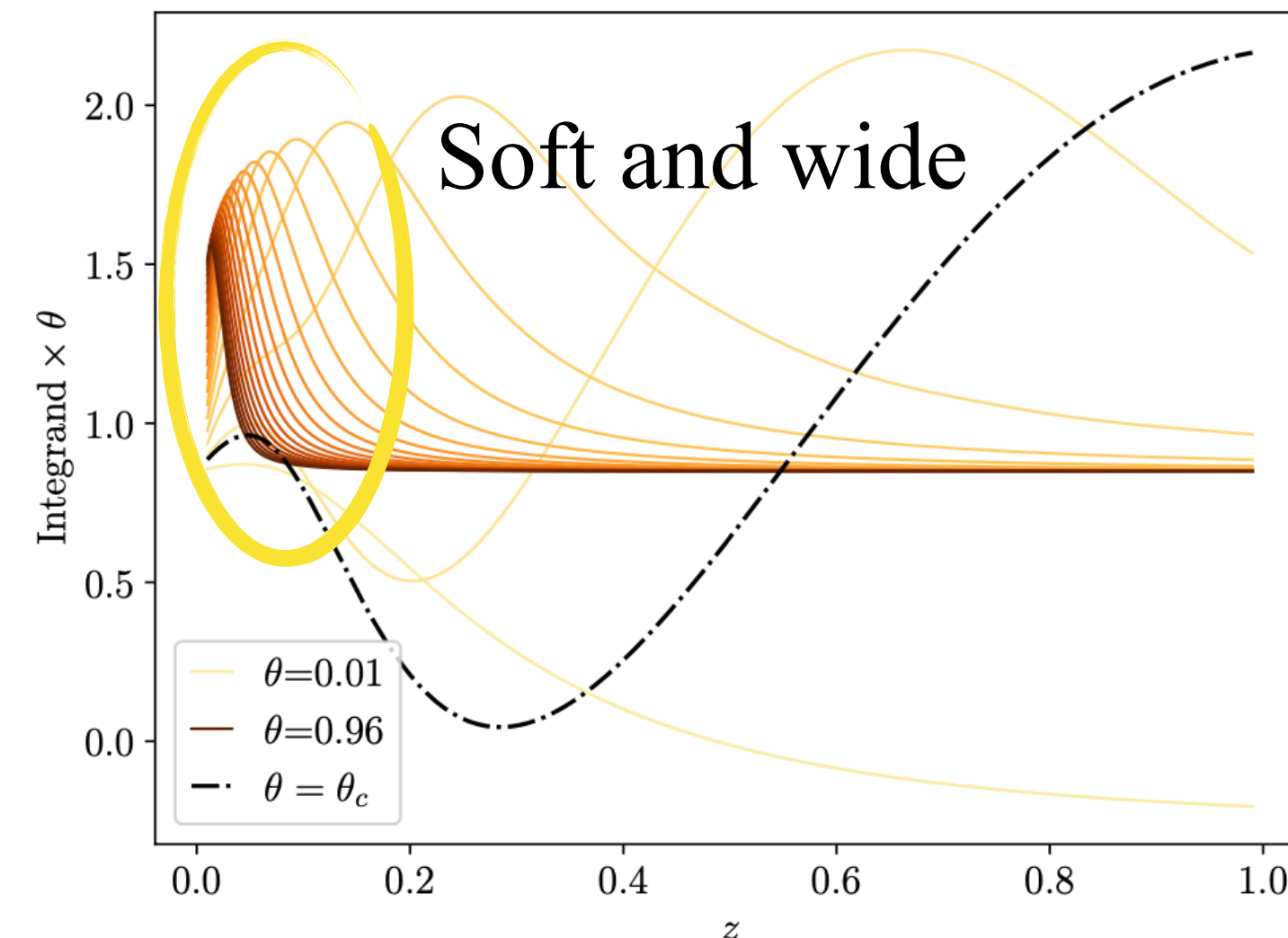
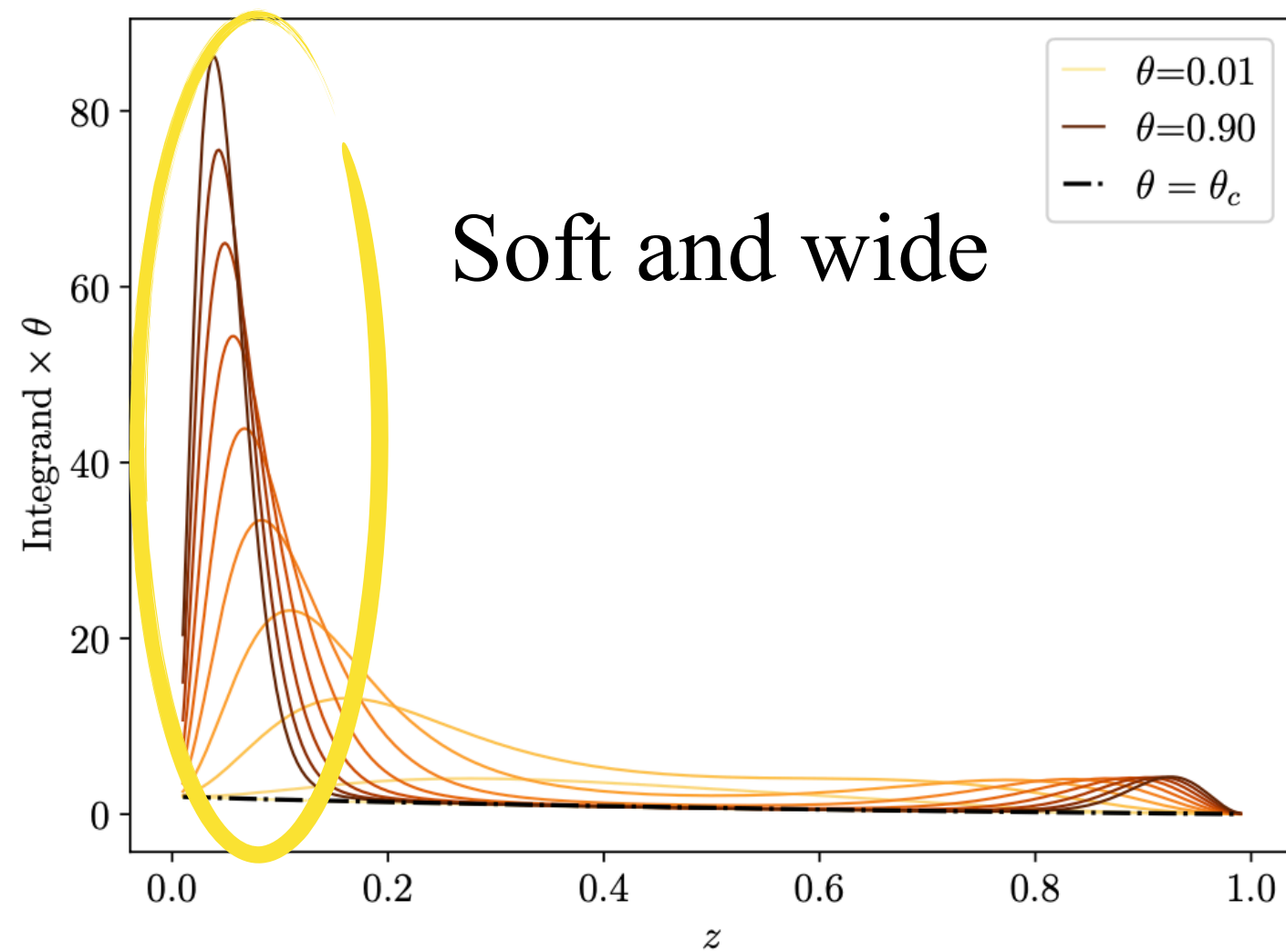
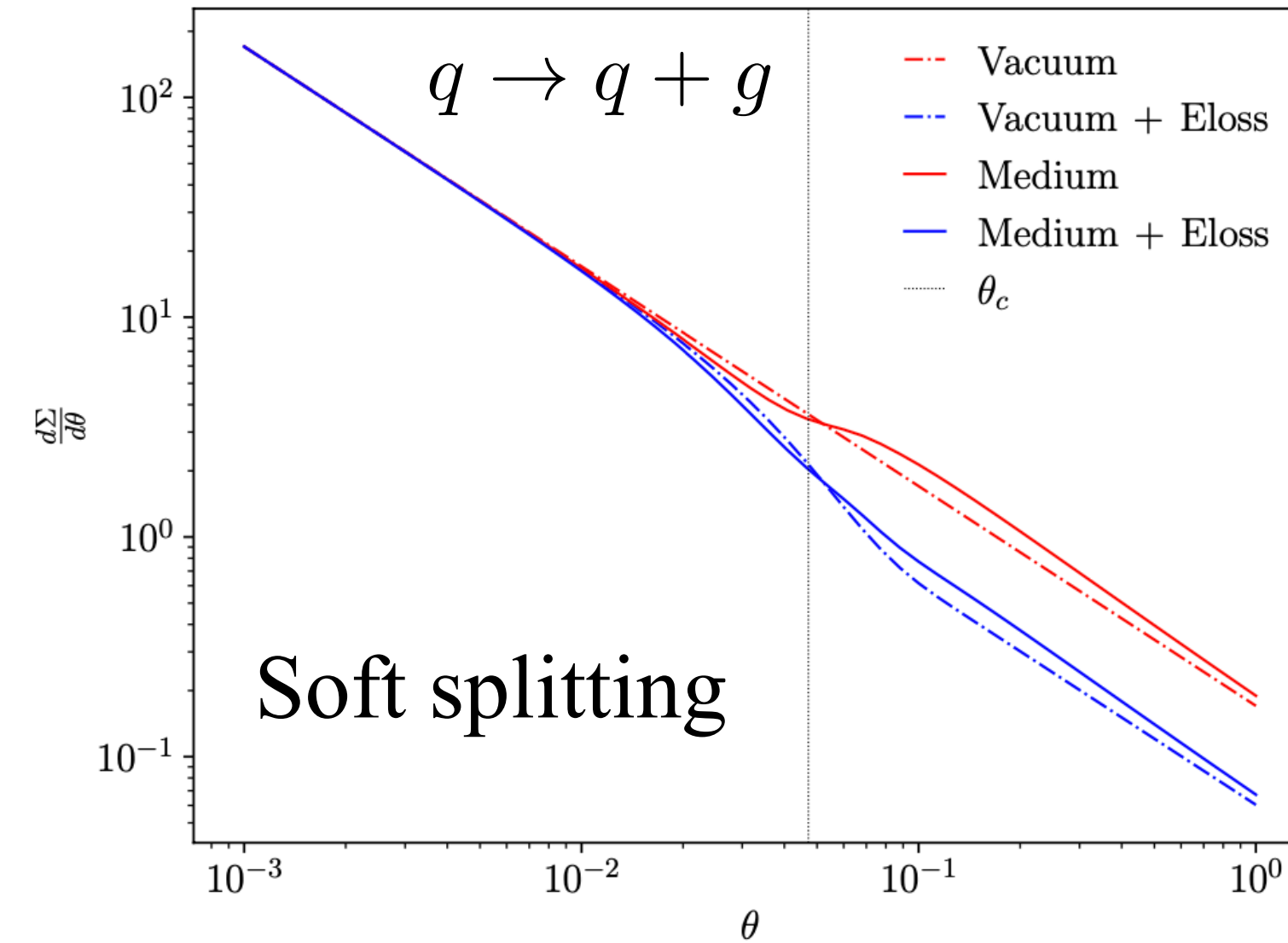
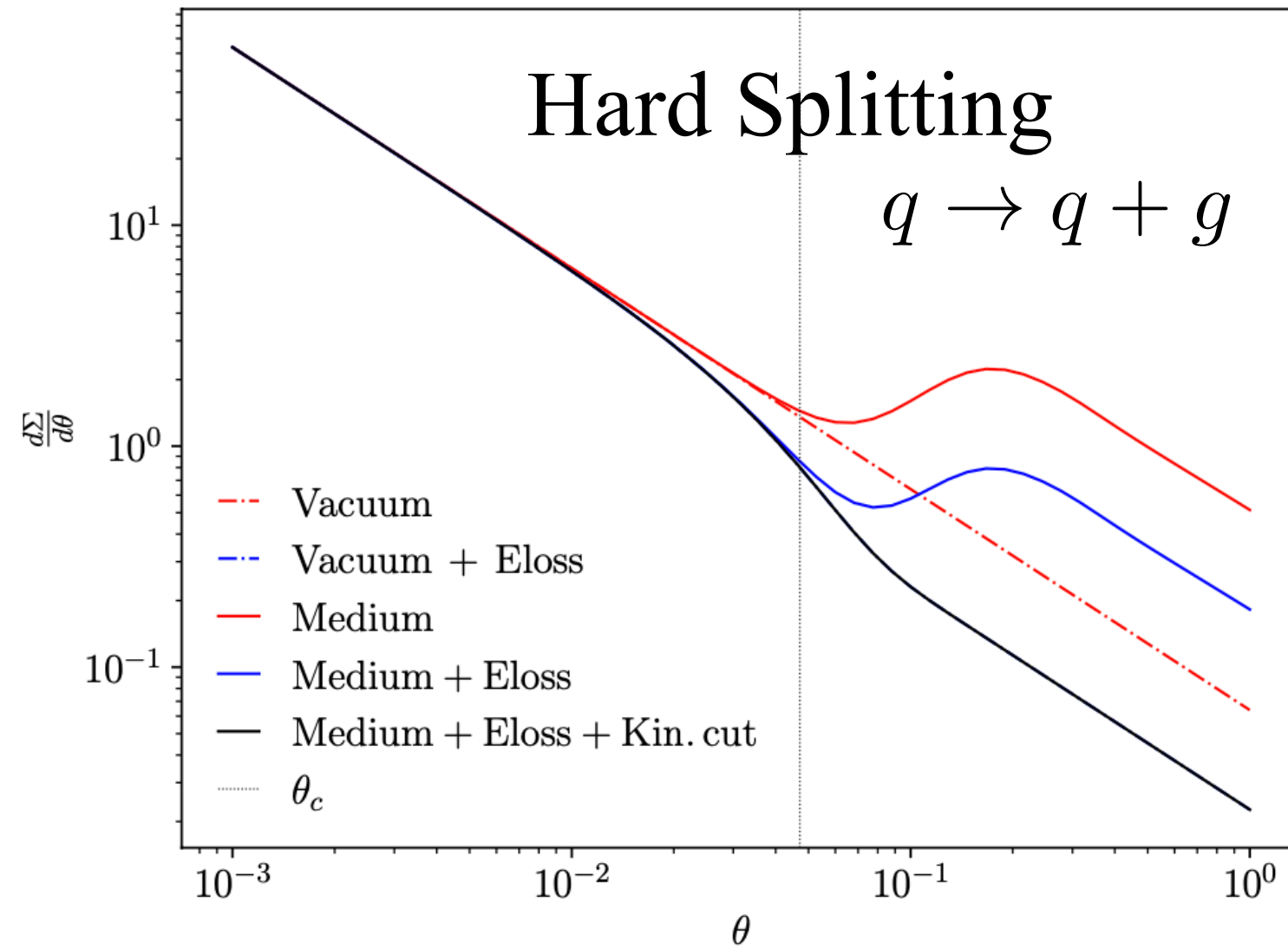
3. Wide angle region:

Vacuum: no modification with respect to 2.

In-medium: ^{Pablos QM23} wake (?), non-perturbative soft-physics (?), perturbative medium modifications (?)

Critical step: make sense of **perturbative baseline** to access all regions

1 Simple exercise: include energy loss and understand types of splittings at each angle

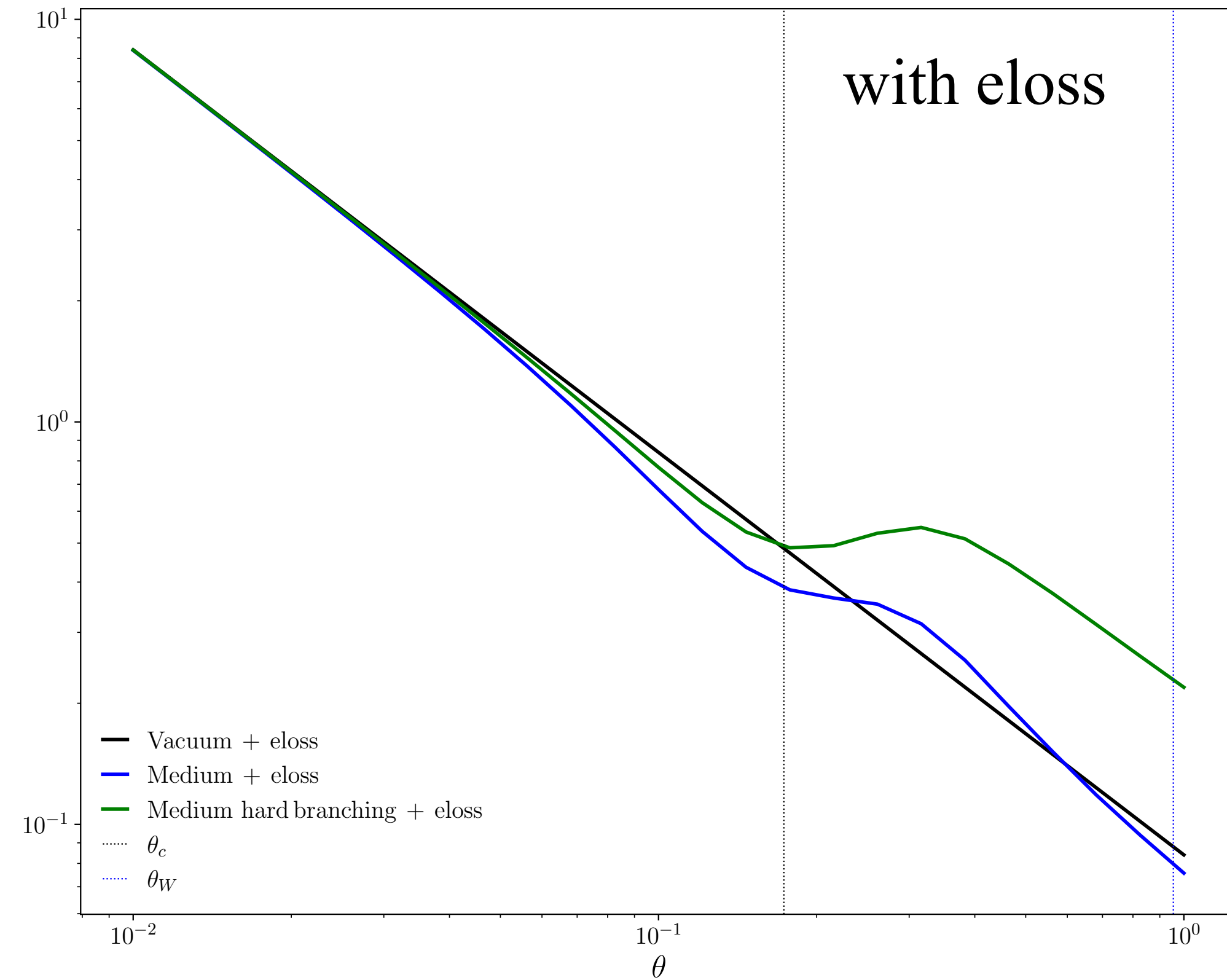
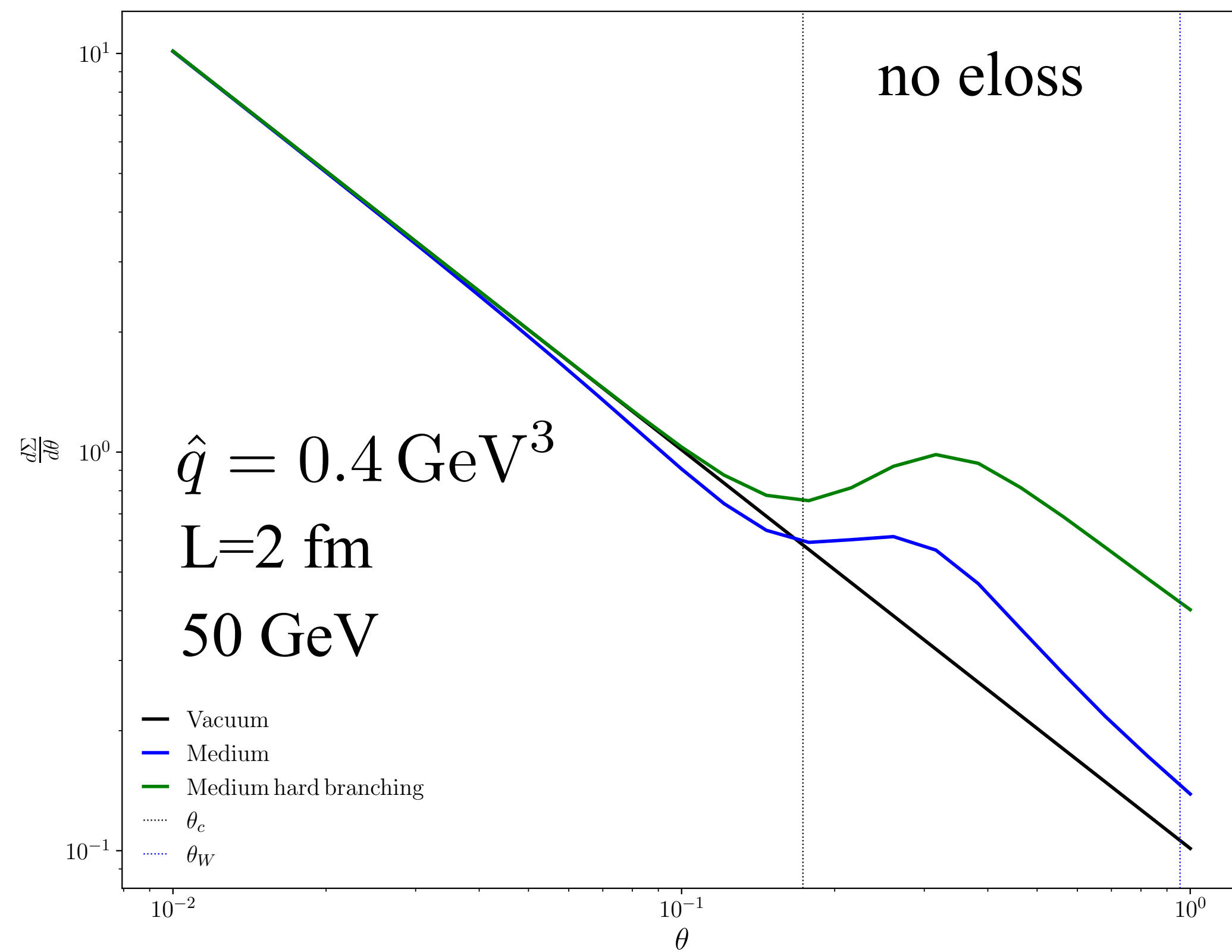


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Interpolate between hard collinear and soft wide splittings

$$\omega_c = \hat{q}L^2$$

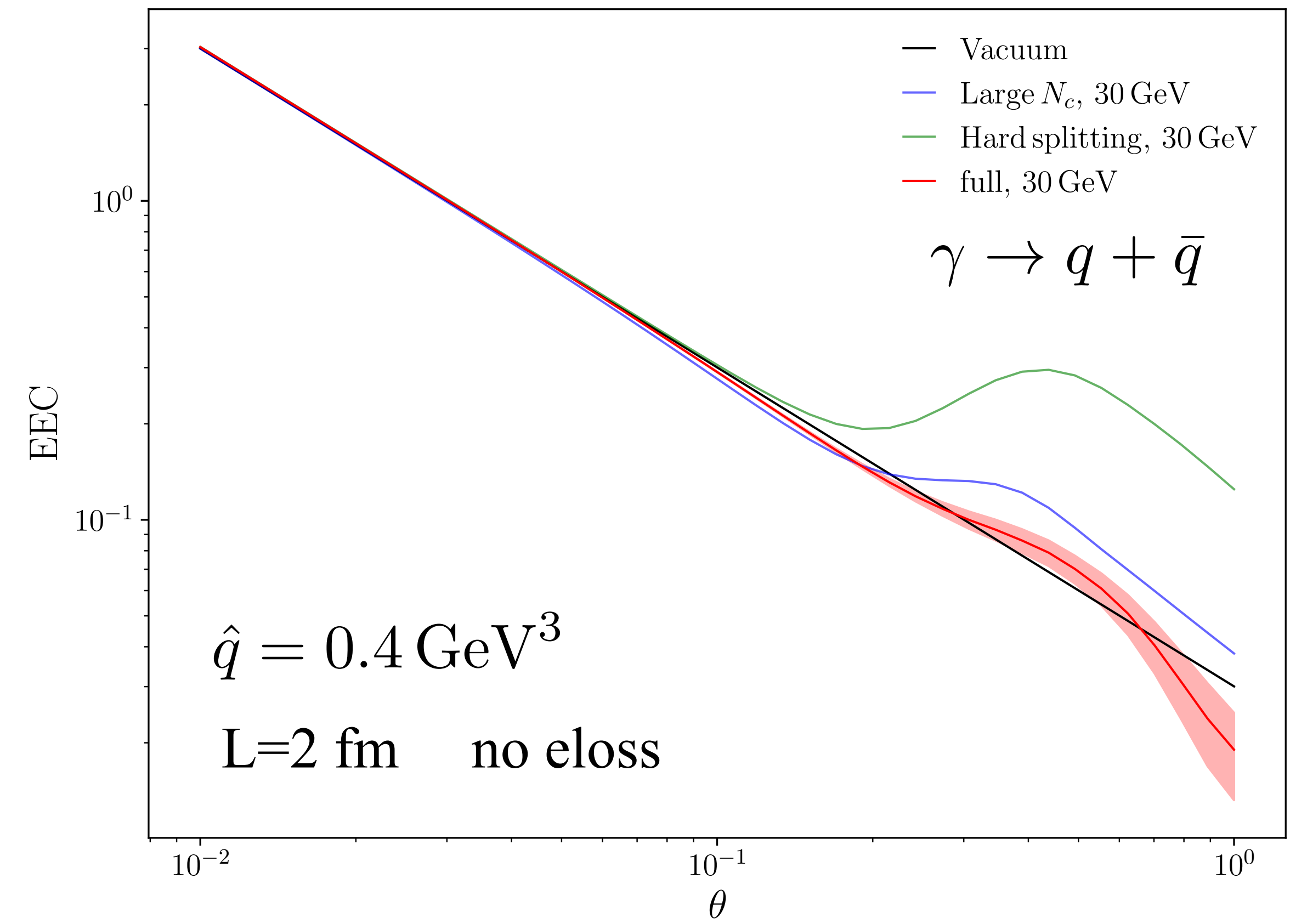
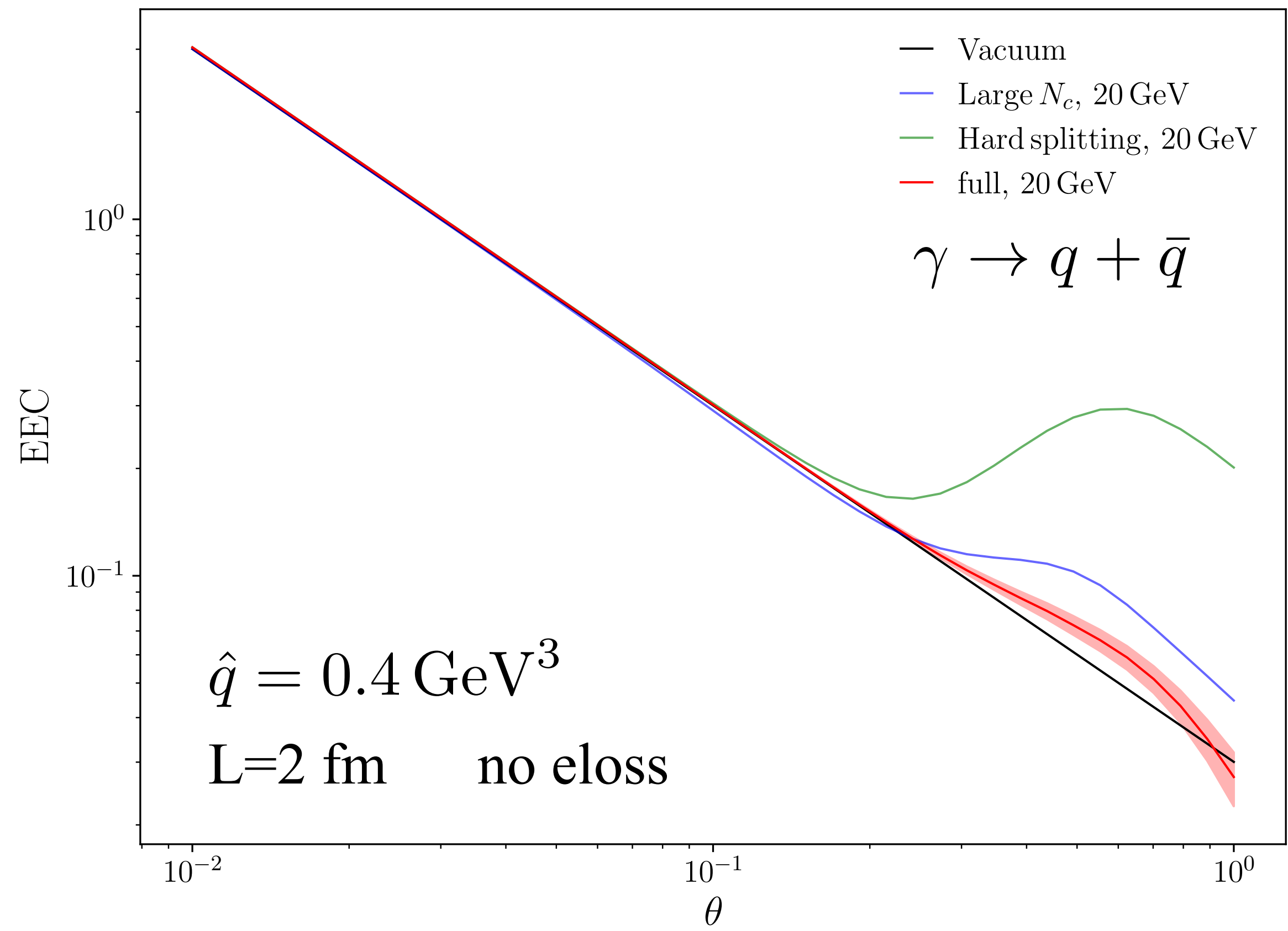
$$dI^{\text{med}} = dI^{h.c.} \Theta(\min(z, 1-z)p_t > \omega_c) + dI_{z \rightarrow 0}^{\text{s.w.}} \Theta(zp_t < \omega_c) + dI_{(1-z)p_t \rightarrow 0}^{\text{s.w.}} \Theta((1-z)p_t < \omega_c)$$



Behavior largely depends on modeling and interplay between splitting function enhancement and energy loss suppression

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Exact LO EEC in the harmonic approximation 2023, Isaksen, Tywoniuk

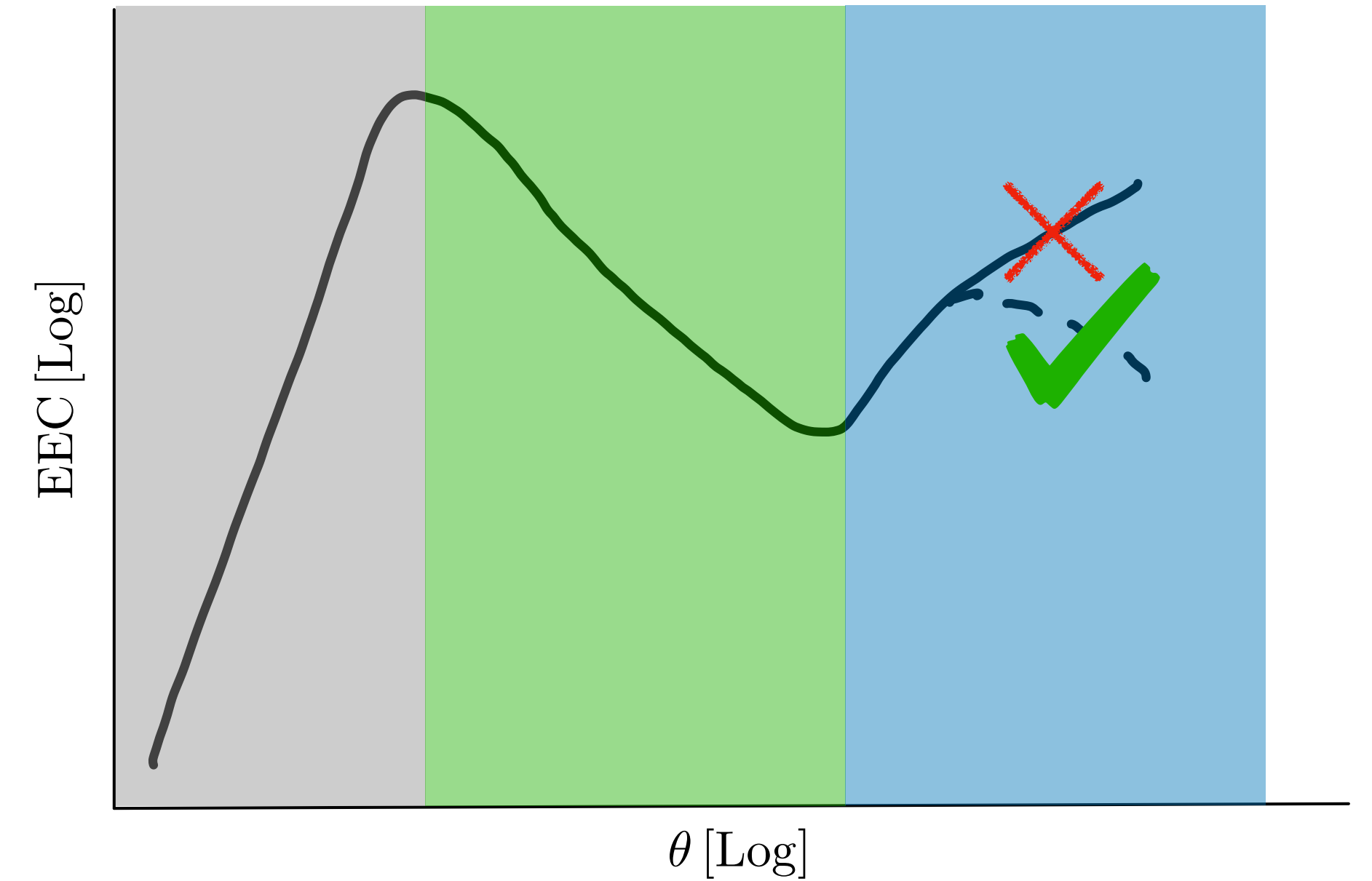


Behavior qualitatively distinct from hard splitting approximation

Suppressing soft particle contamination

in preparation, with P. Caucal, A. Soto-Ontoso, R. Szafron

To make sense of **perturbative baseline** one needs to clean soft uncorrelated radiation



Two methods:

1. EECs on subjects inside a jet:

$$\frac{d\Sigma}{d\theta}_{\text{subjects}} = \int_{\vec{n}_1, \vec{n}_2} \frac{\langle \mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_1) \mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_2) \rangle}{p_t^2} \delta(\vec{n}_1 \cdot \vec{n}_2 - \cos \theta)$$

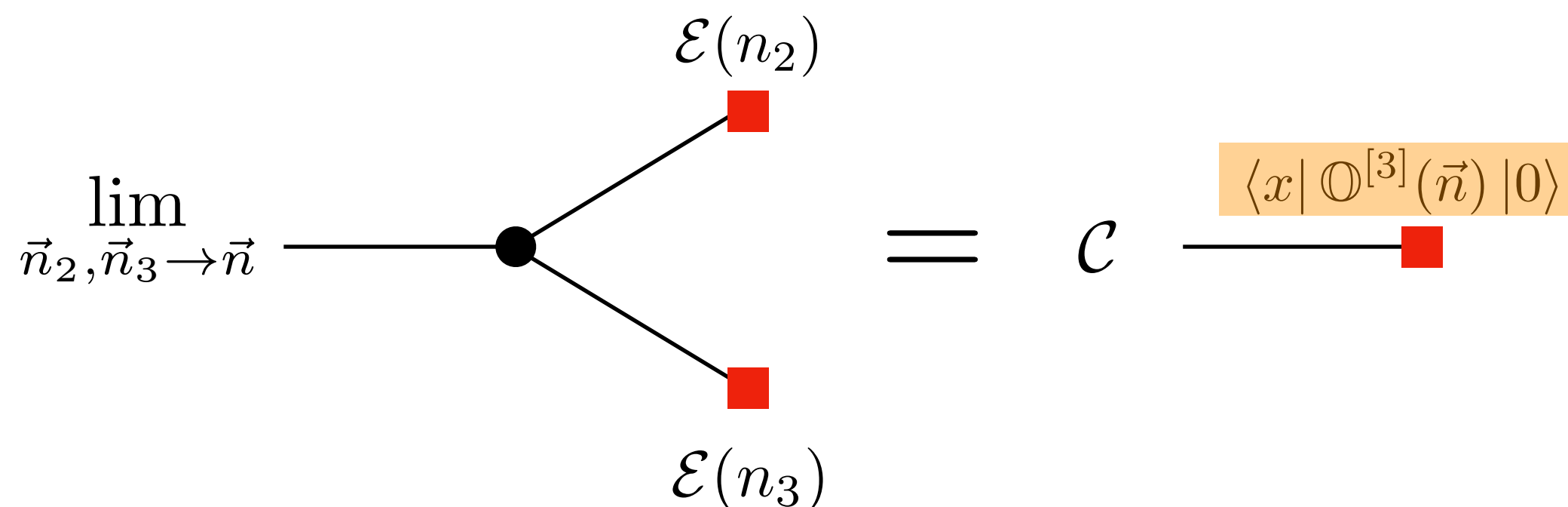
2. Higher power EEC + track functions:

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

Suppressing soft particle contamination: subjets

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Matching at LO:



Particles:

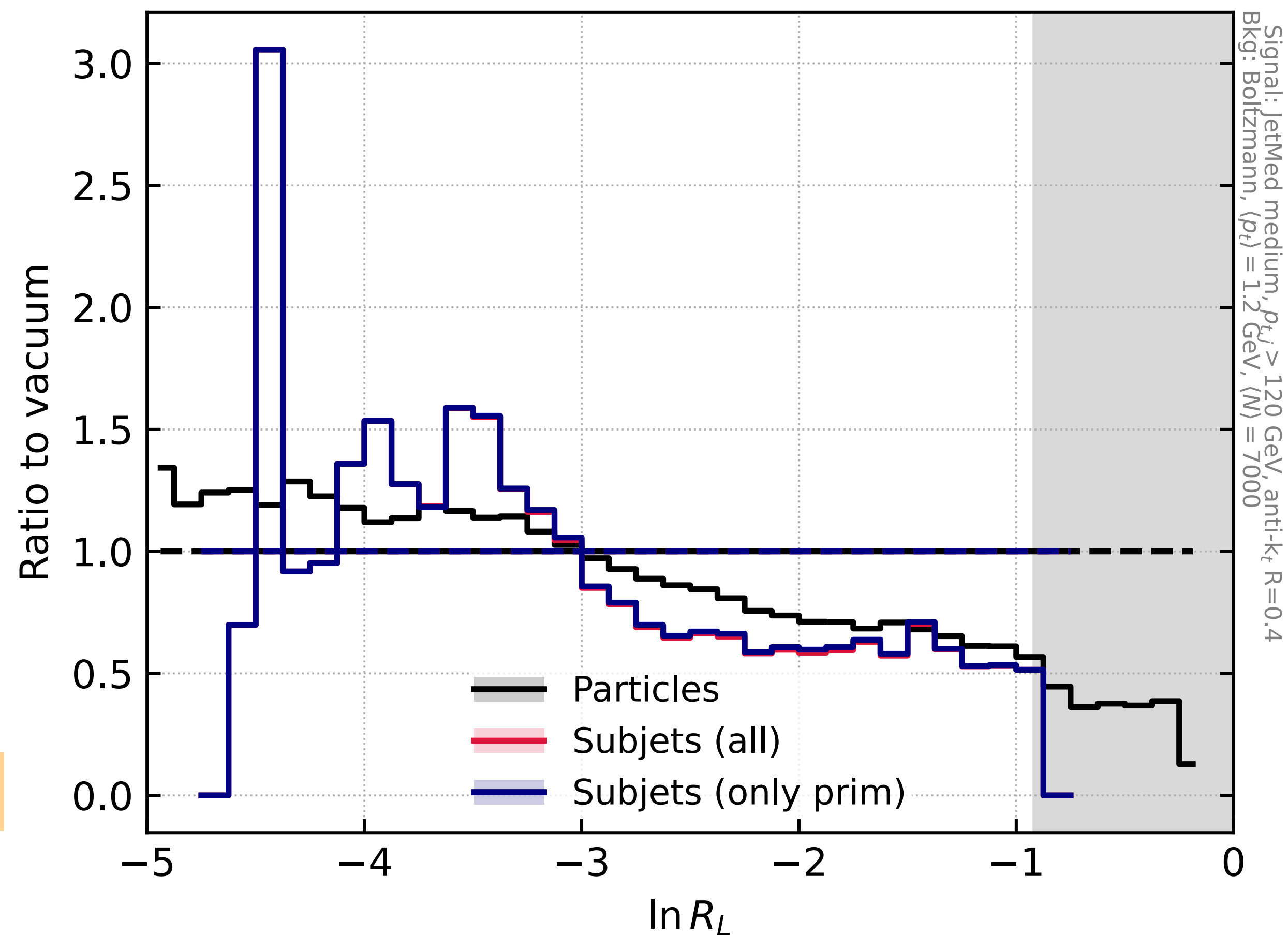
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Subjets:

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Numerics/MC:



Ongoing: understanding resummation for subjets

Suppressing soft particle contamination: track functions

in preparation, with R. Szafron

Track functions were proposed a decade ago to have theory analog of measurements made on charged particles

2013, Chang, Procura, Thaler, Waalewijn

$T_i(x, \mu)$: describes the fraction of energy from parton i going into e.g. charged particles

They allow for higher angular resolution but are non-perturbative like FFs

Ideal for ENC's since only moments are necessary:

$$\frac{d\Sigma^{(n)}}{d\theta}_{\text{tracks}} = \int_{E_1, E_2} \int_{x_1, x_2} x_1^n T(x_1) x_2^n T(x_2) \frac{E_1^n E_2^n}{Q^{2n}} \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma dz d\theta} = \int_0^1 dz T_a^{[n]}(\theta p_t) T_b^{[n]}(\theta p_t) z^n (1-z)^n \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma dz d\theta}$$

For HICs we need to understand RG evolution for these objects

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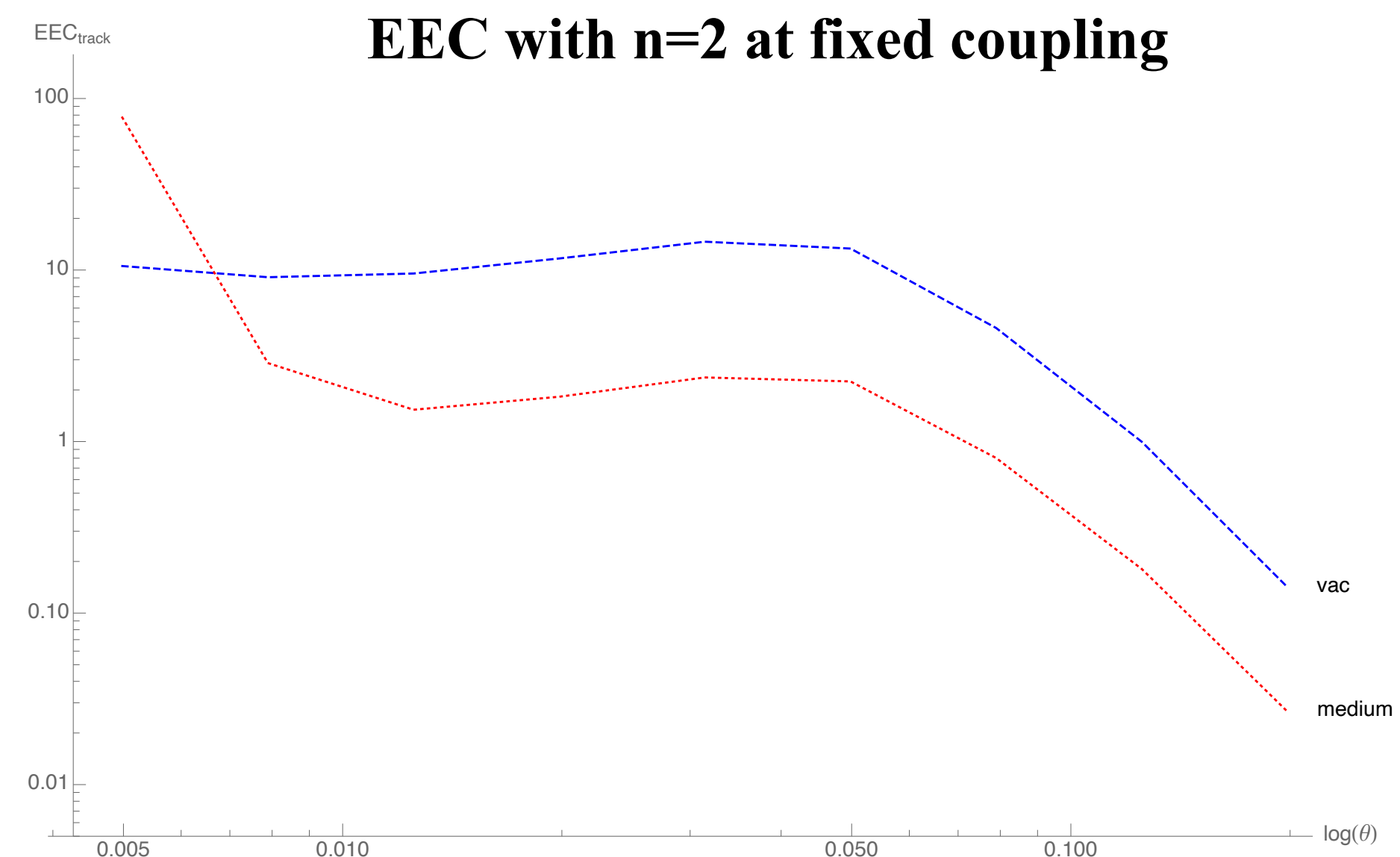
In-medium we have several pieces:

Modified splitting function: same RG but with new anomalous dimensions

$$\gamma_{c \rightarrow ab}(j) = - \int_0^1 dz (P_{c \rightarrow ab}(z) + P_{c \rightarrow ab}^{\text{med}}(z, \theta)) z^{j-1}$$

In a very simple case using BDMPS motivated kernel, we find

$$\gamma_{\text{med}}(j) = - \int_0^1 \left\{ P(z) + \sqrt{\frac{\omega_c}{2p_t}} (2N_c) 2z\mathcal{K}(z) + c_{\text{med}} \delta(1-z) \right\} z^{j-1}$$



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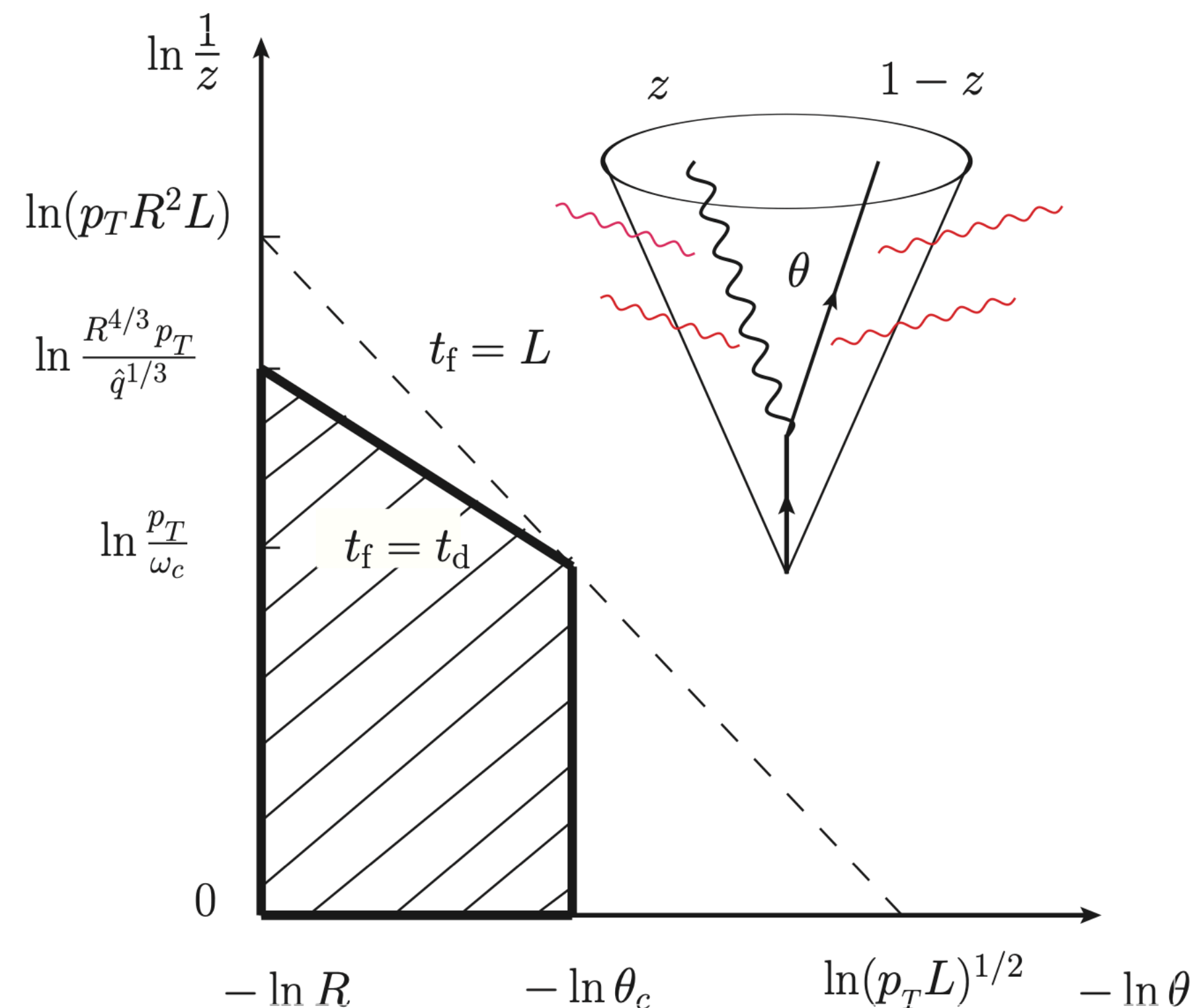
$$\gamma(j, \theta) = - \int_0^1 dz P(z) \Theta_{P.S.}(\theta, z) z^{j-1}$$

In DLA limit we obtain the limiting form

$$\gamma(j, \mu) = \gamma_{\text{vac}}(j, \mu) \left(1 - \left(\frac{2\hat{q}p_t}{\mu^4} \right)^{\frac{j-1}{3}} \right)$$

and extra constraints which modify the boundary of the RG evolution

1706.06047, Y. Mehtar-Tani, K. Tywoniuk



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Energy loss: more evolved RG and new anomalous dimensions; for the PDF we obtain

similar to 2016, Mehtar-Tani, Tywoniuk

$$\frac{\partial q(x)}{\partial \log \mu^2} \approx \int_{x_1} \int_0^{(z-zx_1)p_t} d\varepsilon D(\varepsilon) \int_0^1 dz P\left(z + \frac{\varepsilon}{p_t}\right) q(x_1) \delta(x = x_1 z)$$

For the track functions we have double convolution of the same type, leading to the anomalous dimension

$$\gamma[j] = - \int_0^1 \int_{\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2} D(\varepsilon_1) D(\varepsilon_2) P\left(z + \frac{\varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_2}{p_t}\right) z^{j-1}$$

This breaks energy conservation which can be imposed via

$$c_{med} = \int_0^1 \int_{\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2} D(\varepsilon_1) D(\varepsilon_2) P\left(z + \frac{\varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_2}{p_t}\right) z$$

→ **Jet entropy:**



Sensitive to transition between coherent and decoherent evolution inside the jet

Can be easily computed in pQCD at LL accuracy

Simplest in a family of QIS entanglement measures: mutual information, Qdiscord ...

→ **EECs:**

Need to understand leading calculations to make sense of any future data

Great motivation to go towards higher order calculations in jet quenching

Higher point correlators will give information about *shape* of correlations

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