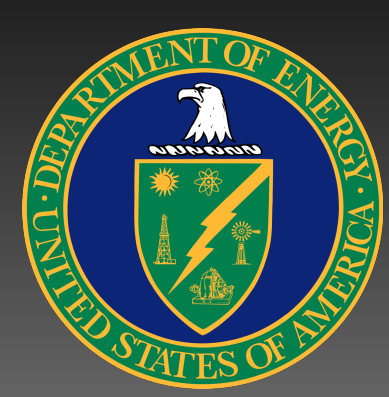




Bayesian Inference of (3+1)D Relativistic Nuclear Dynamics from the RHIC Beam Energy Scan Data

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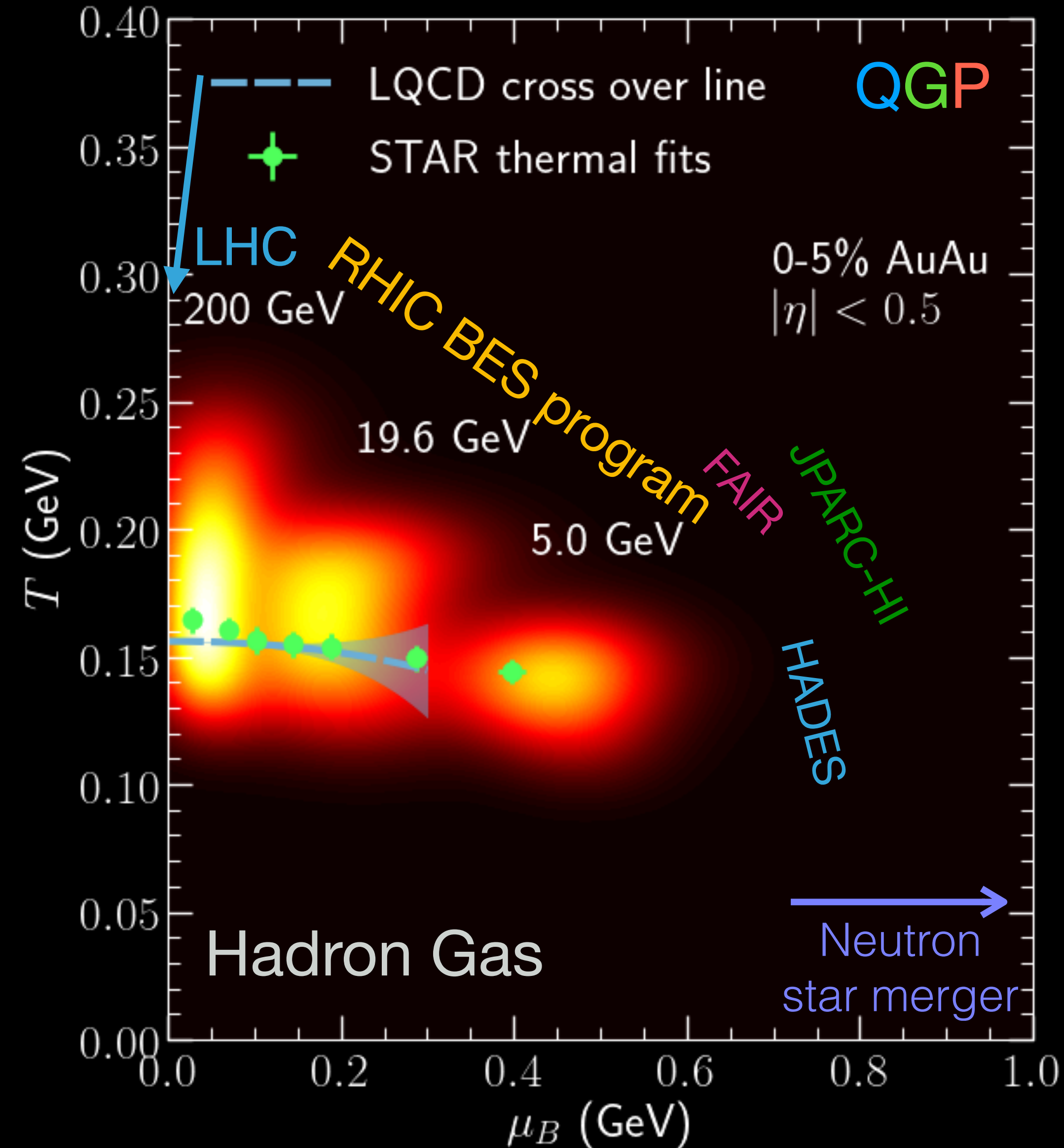
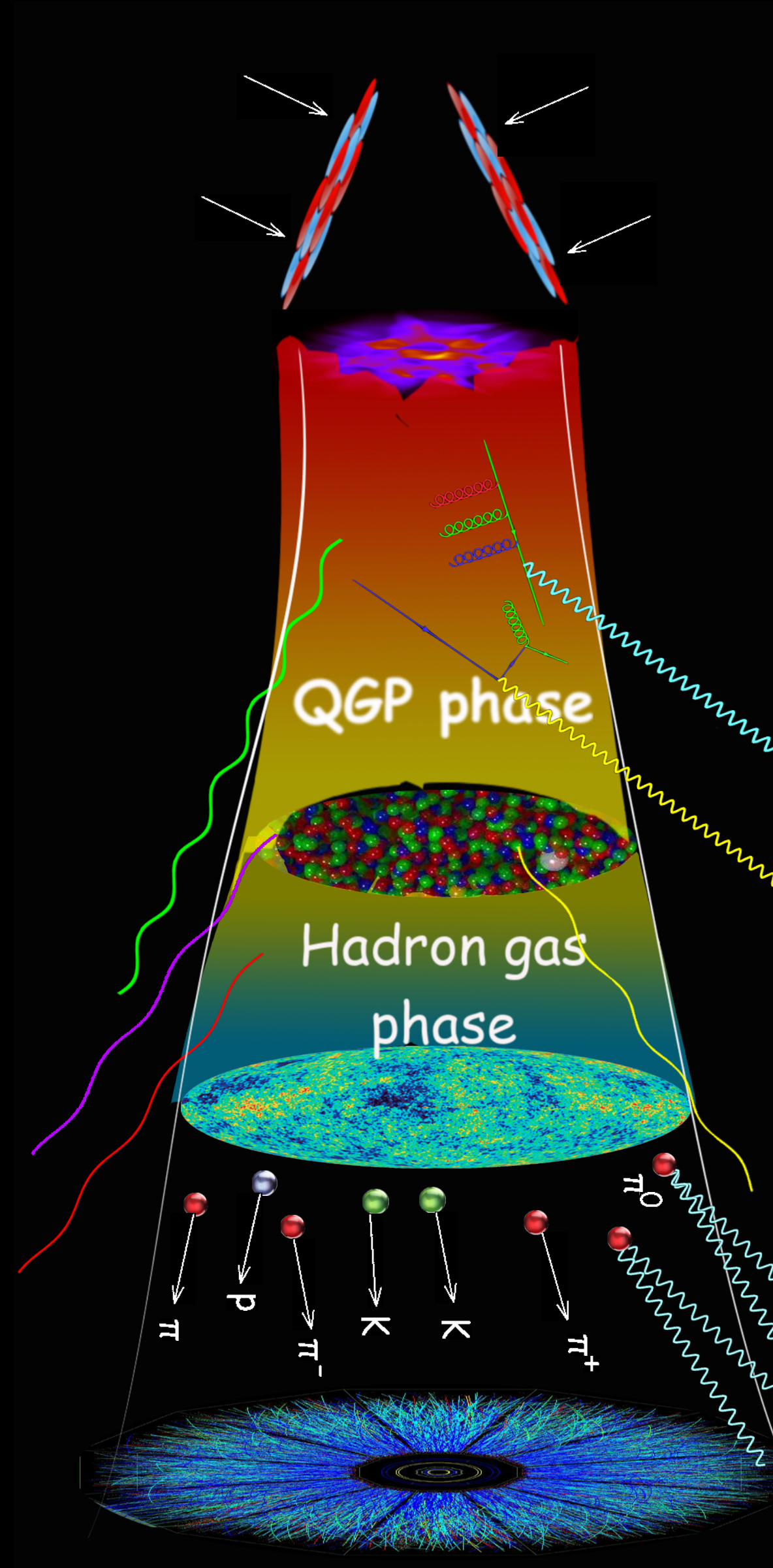
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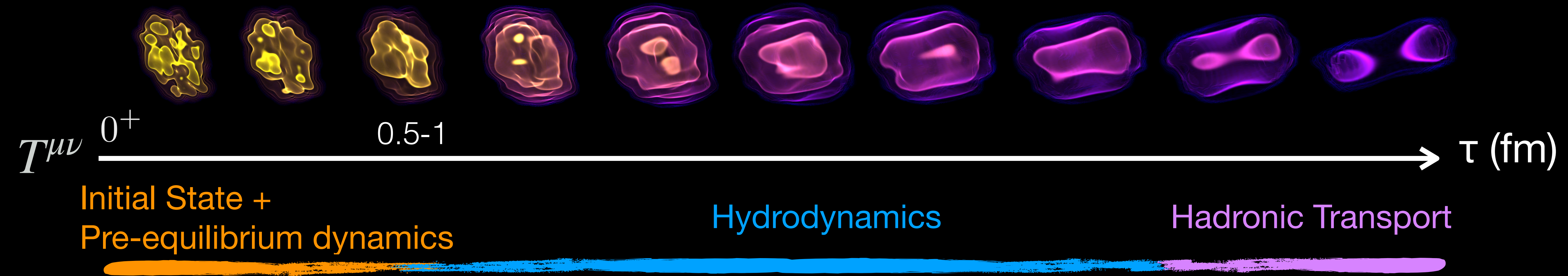
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PROBING THE NUCLEAR MATTER PHASE DIAGRAM

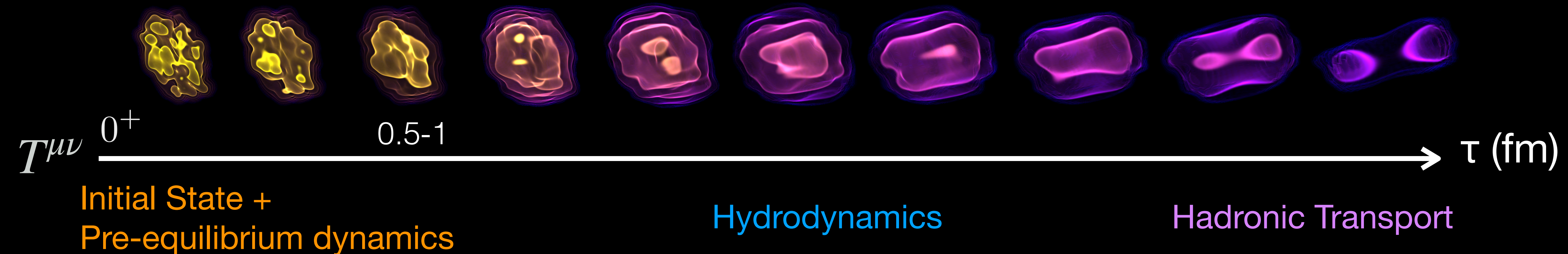


- Search for a critical point & 1st order phase transition
 $c_s^2(T, \{\mu_q\})$
- How do the QGP transport properties change with baryon doping?
 $(\eta/s)(T, \{\mu_q\}), (\zeta/s)(T, \{\mu_q\})$
- Access to new transport phenomena
Charge diffusion

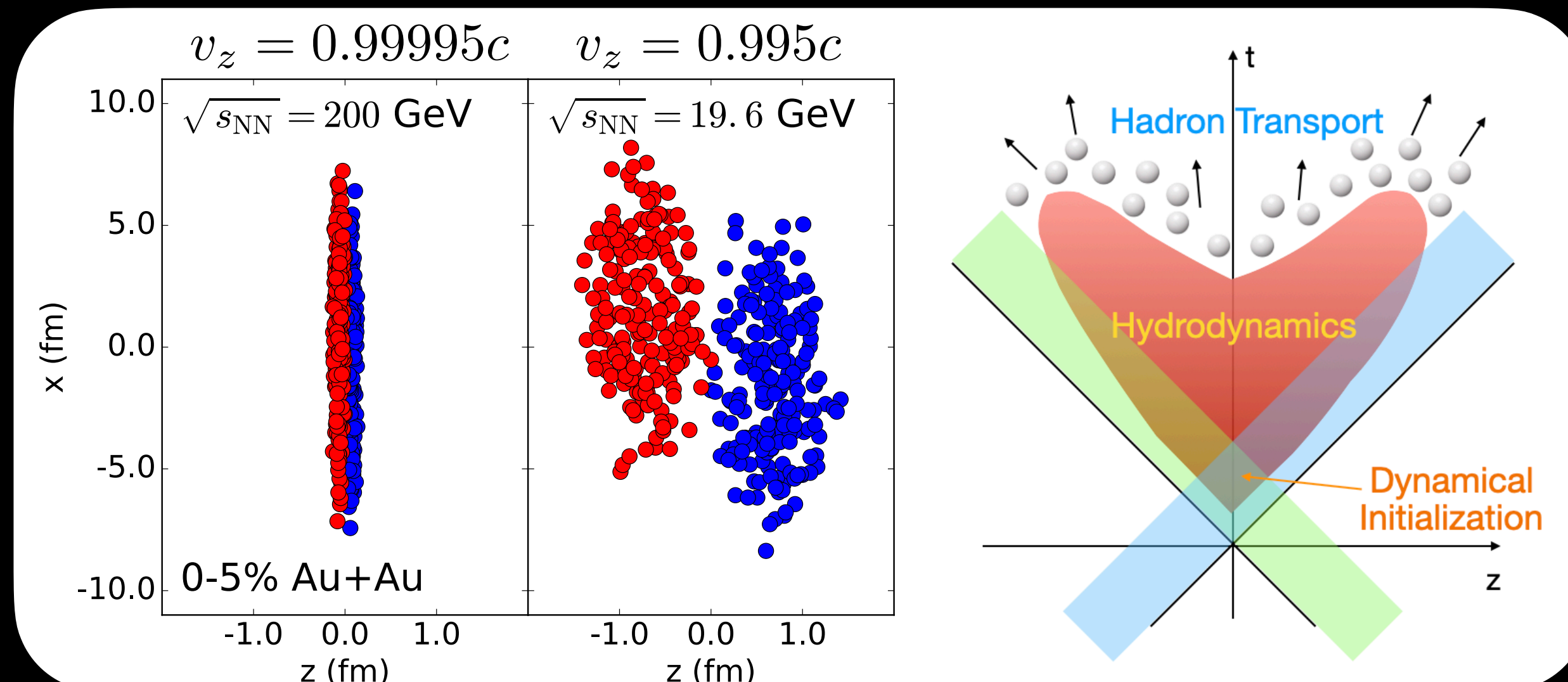
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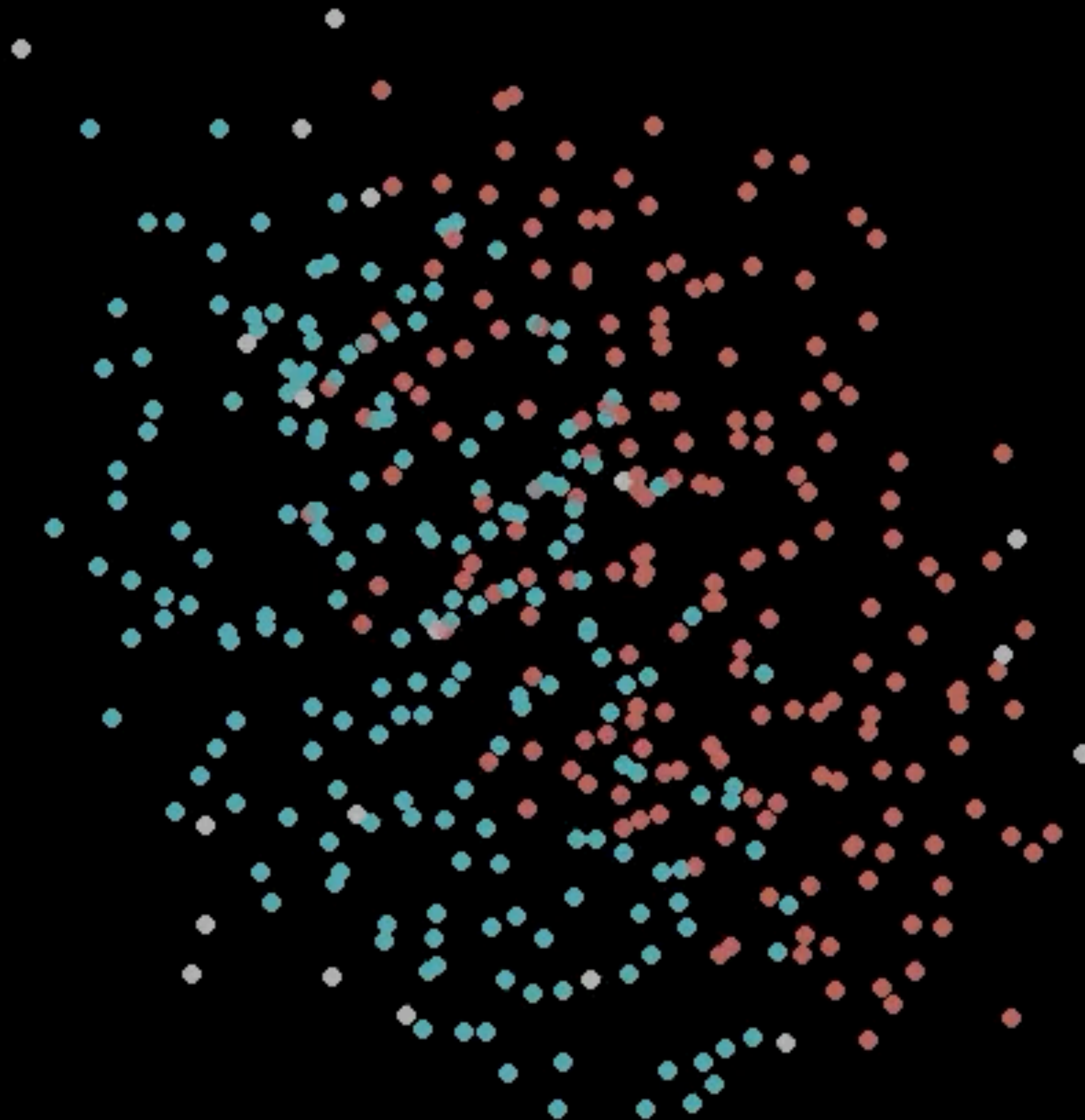
RHIC BES energies



$$\partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = J^\nu_{\text{source}}$$

$$\partial_\mu J^\mu = \rho_{\text{source}}$$

0-5% Au+Au @ 19.6 GeV



THE MODEL PARAMETERS

TABLE I. The 20 model parameters and their prior ranges.

Parameter	Prior	Parameter	Prior
B_G (GeV^{-2})	[1, 25]	$\alpha_{\text{string tilt}}$	[0, 1]
$\alpha_{\text{shadowing}}$	[0, 1]	α_{preFlow}	[0, 2]
$y_{\text{loss},2}$	[0, 2]	η_0	[0.001, 0.3]
$y_{\text{loss},4}$	[1, 3]	η_2	[0.001, 0.3]
$y_{\text{loss},6}$	[1, 4]	η_4	[0.001, 0.3]
$\sigma_{y_{\text{loss}}}$	[0.1, 0.8]	ζ_{max}	[0, 0.2]
α_{Rem}	[0, 1]	$T_{\zeta,0}$ (GeV)	[0.15, 0.25]
λ_B	[0, 1]	$\sigma_{\zeta,+}$ (GeV)	[0.01, 0.15]
σ_x^{string} (fm)	[0.1, 0.8]	$\sigma_{\zeta,-}$ (GeV)	[0.005, 0.1]
$\sigma_{\eta}^{\text{string}}$	[0.1, 1]	e_{sw} (GeV/fm^3)	[0.15, 0.5]

MODEL TRAINING & OBSERVABLE SELECTION

A 20-dimensional model parameter space with 1,000 training points

Au+Au	Hydro events per design	Avg. hadronic events per hydro
200 GeV	1,000	1,000
19.6 GeV	2,000	4,000
7.7 GeV	2,000	8,000

 Open Science Grid delivered 5 million CPU hours for the data generation

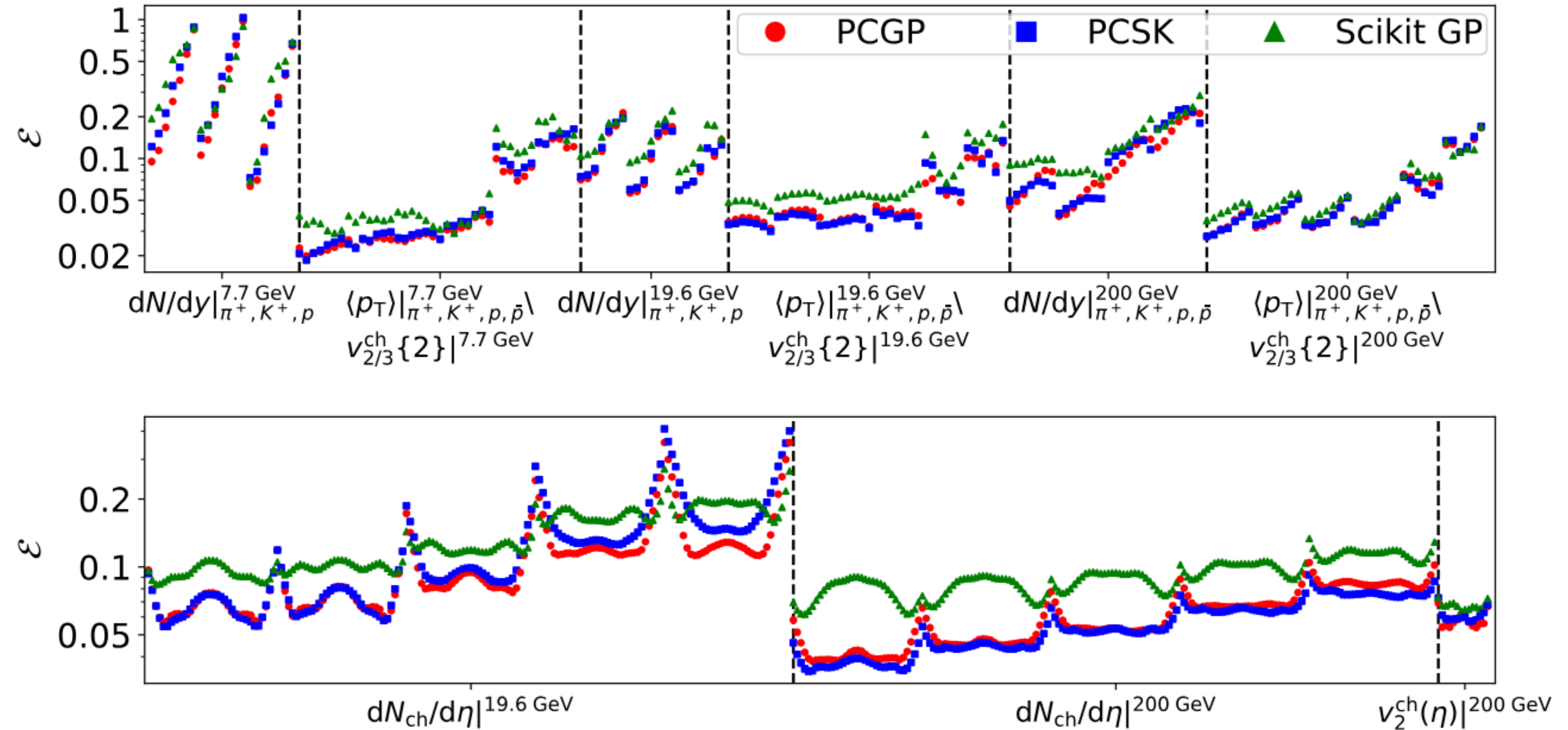
604 experimental data points

Au+Au	STAR midrapdity data vs. centrality	PHOBOS rapidity distribtion
200 GeV	$dN/dy(\pi^+, K^+, p, \bar{p})$ $\langle p_T \rangle(\pi^+, K^+, p, \bar{p})$ $v_2^{\text{ch}}\{2\}, v_3^{\text{ch}}\{2\}$	$dN^{\text{ch}}/d\eta$ $v_2(\eta)$
19.6 GeV	$dN/dy(\pi^+, K^+, p)$ $\langle p_T \rangle(\pi^+, K^+, p, \bar{p})$ $v_2^{\text{ch}}\{2\}, v_3^{\text{ch}}\{2\}$	$dN^{\text{ch}}/d\eta$
7.7 GeV	$dN/dy(\pi^+, K^+, p)$ $\langle p_T \rangle(\pi^+, K^+, p, \bar{p})$ $v_2^{\text{ch}}\{2\}, v_3^{\text{ch}}\{2\}$	

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$$\varepsilon \equiv \sqrt{\left\langle \left(\frac{\text{prediction} - \text{truth}}{\text{truth}} \right)^2 \right\rangle}$$



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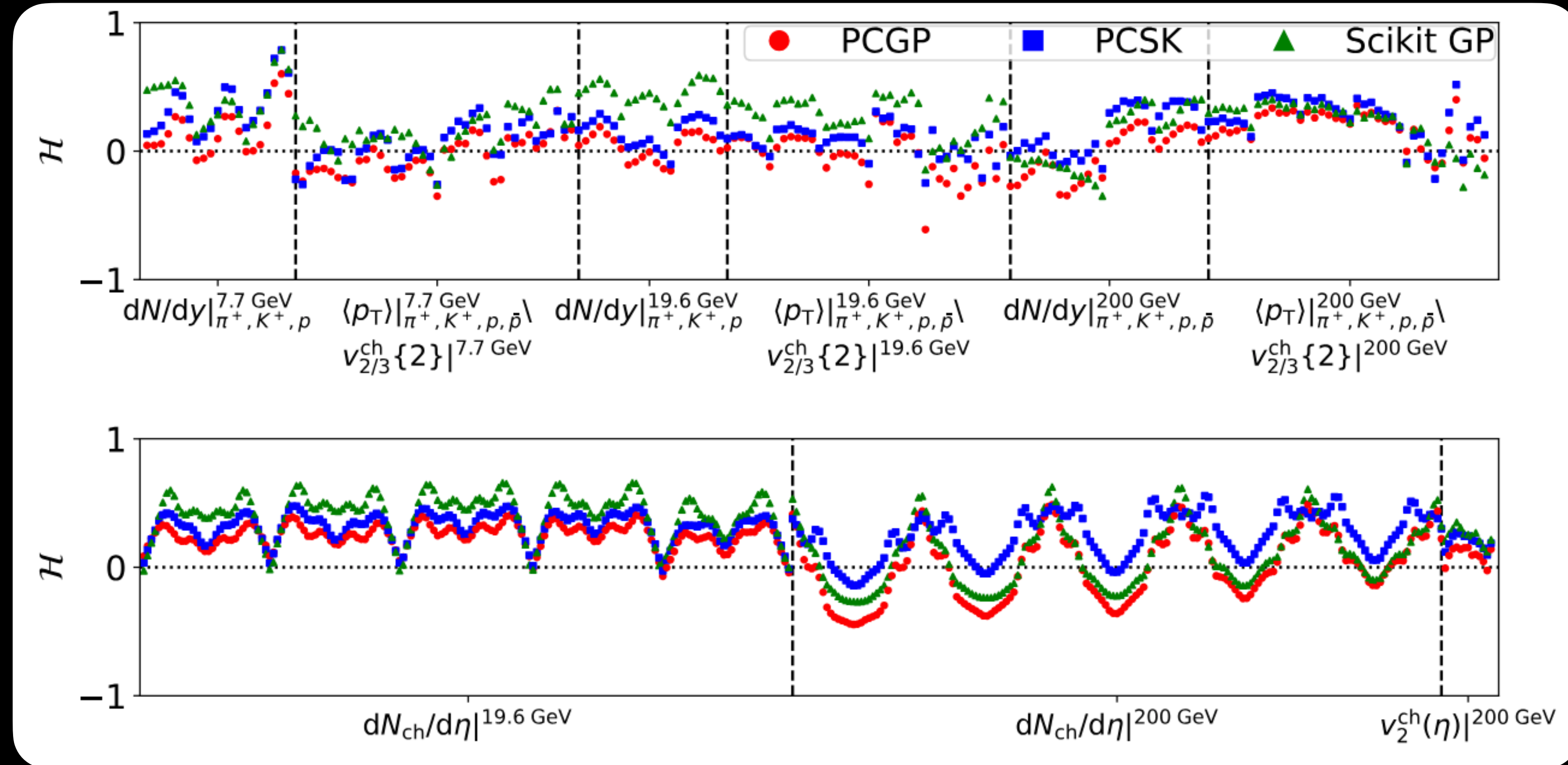
$$\mathcal{H} \equiv \ln \left(\sqrt{\left\langle \left(\frac{\text{prediction} - \text{truth}}{\text{pred. uncertainty}} \right)^2 \right\rangle} \right)$$

$\mathcal{H} = 0$: Best

$\mathcal{H} > 0$: Predicted

uncertainty is too small

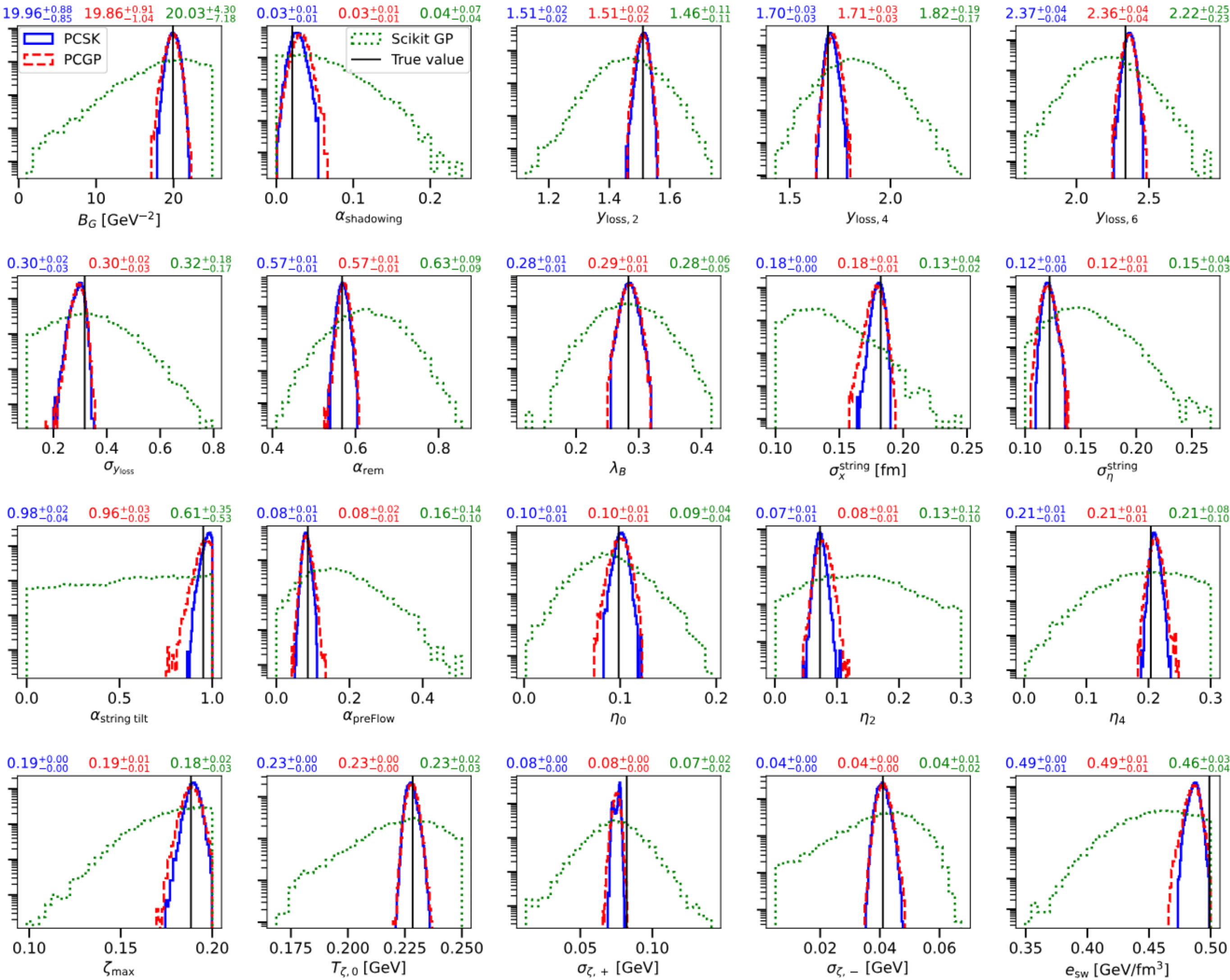
$\mathcal{H} < 0$: Predicted
uncertainty is too large



- The PCGP and PCSK emulators give more reliable uncertainty estimation than that from the Scikit GP

IMPACTS OF EMULATOR PRECISION ON CLOSURE TEST

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- The more accurate PCGP and PCSK emulators give tighter posterior on model parameters than that from the Scikit GP

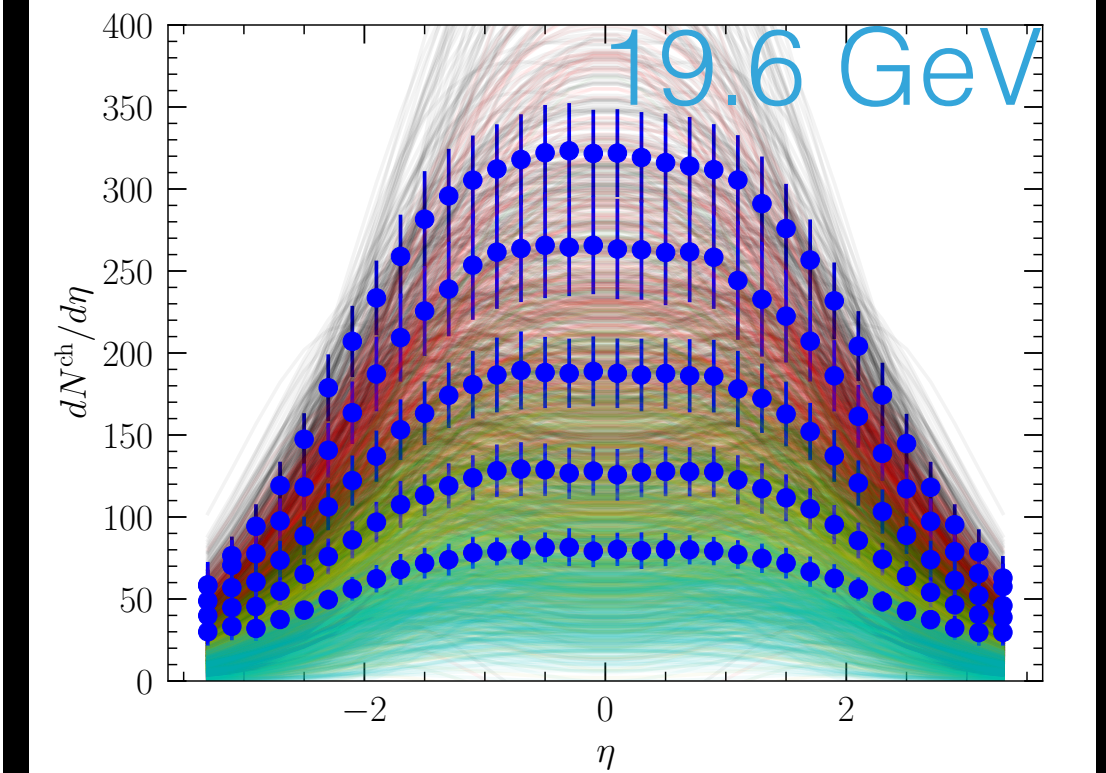
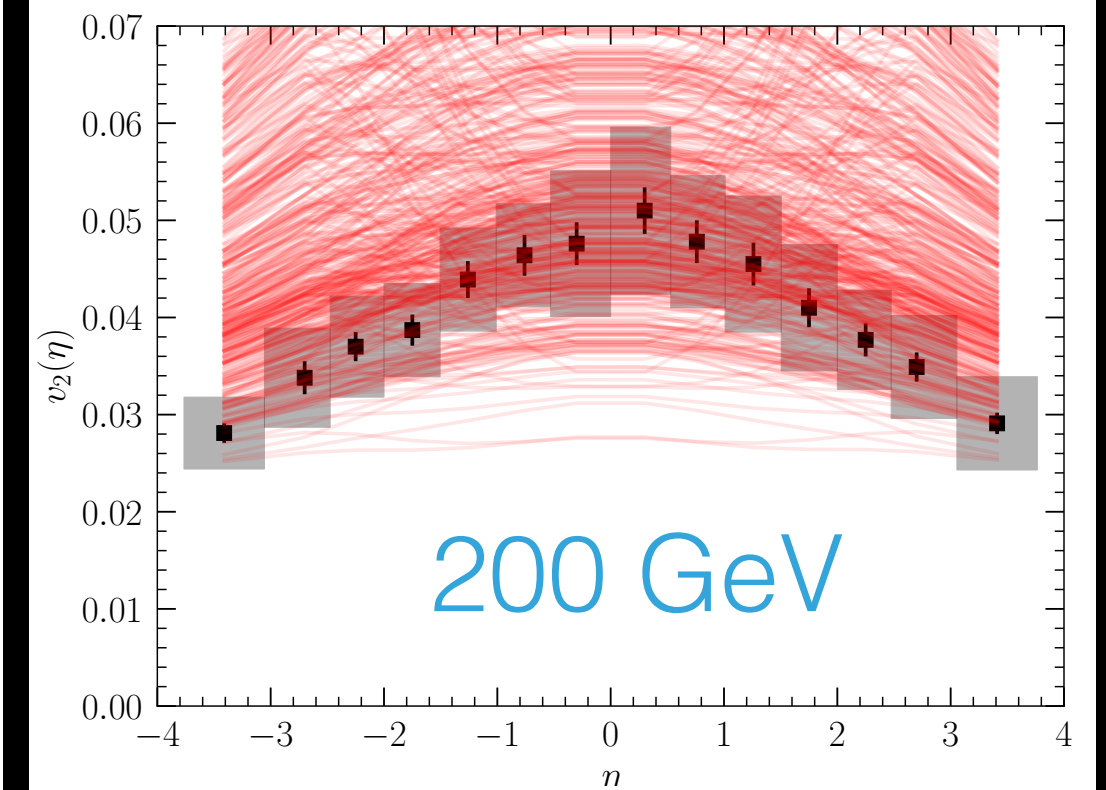
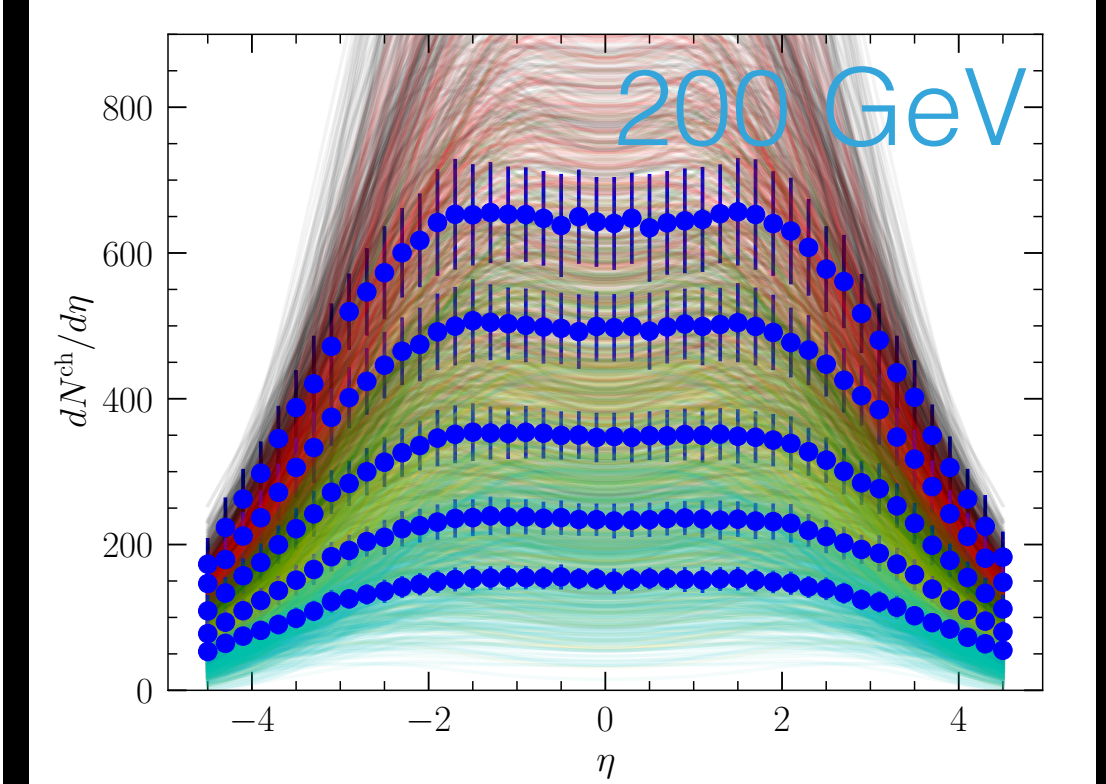
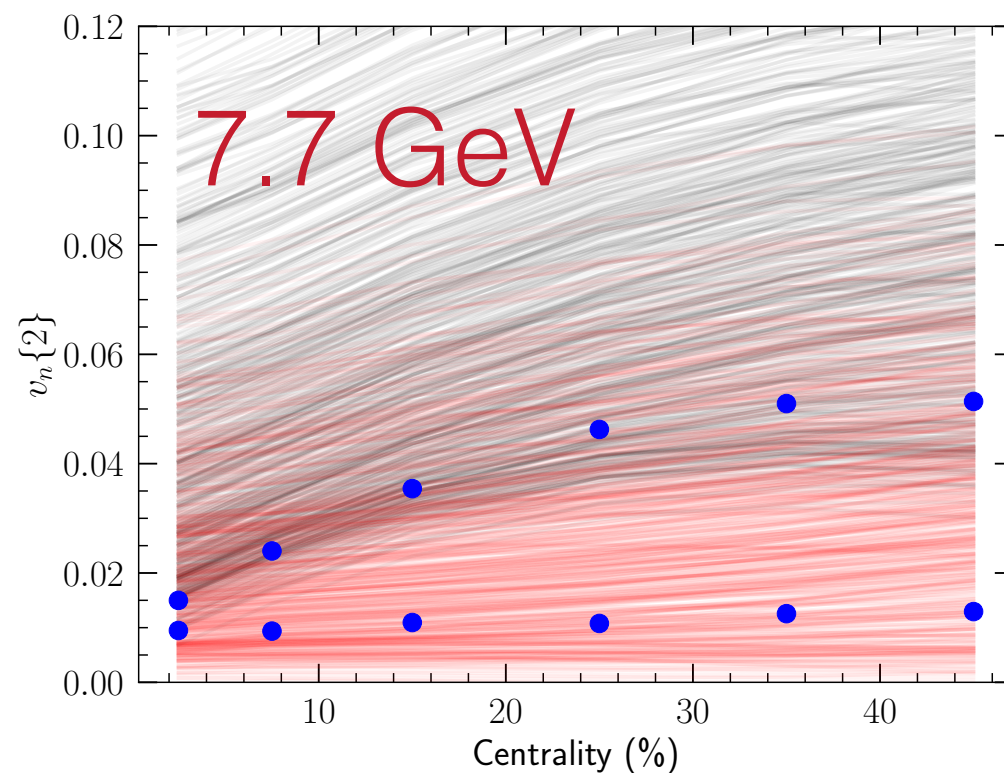
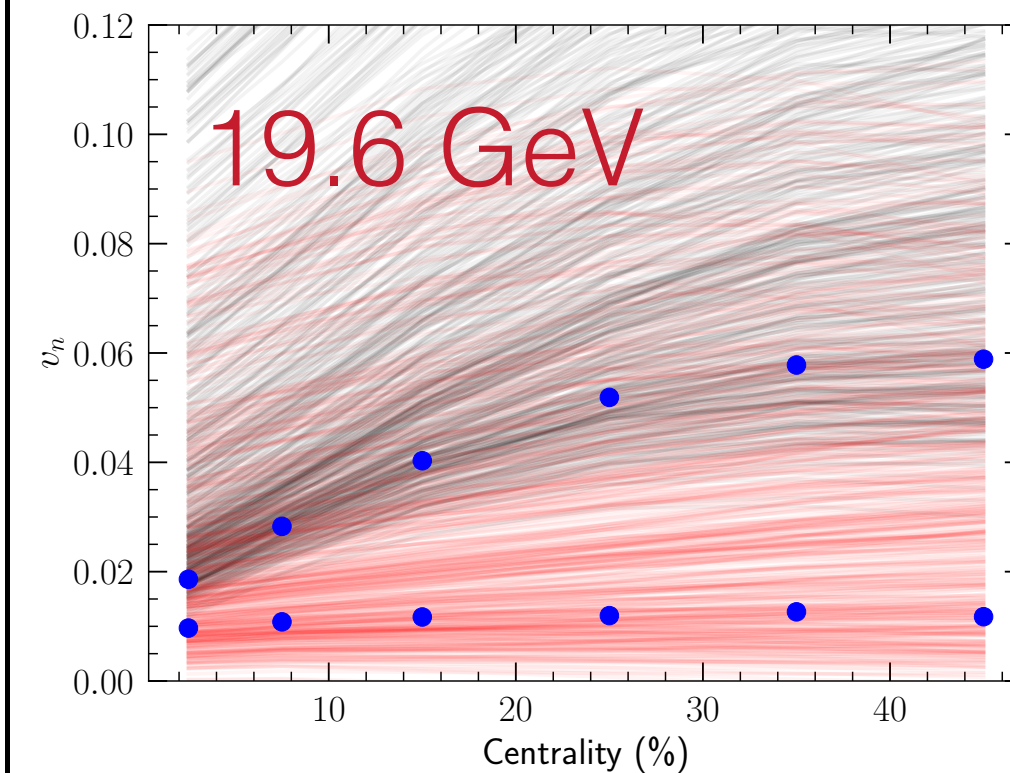
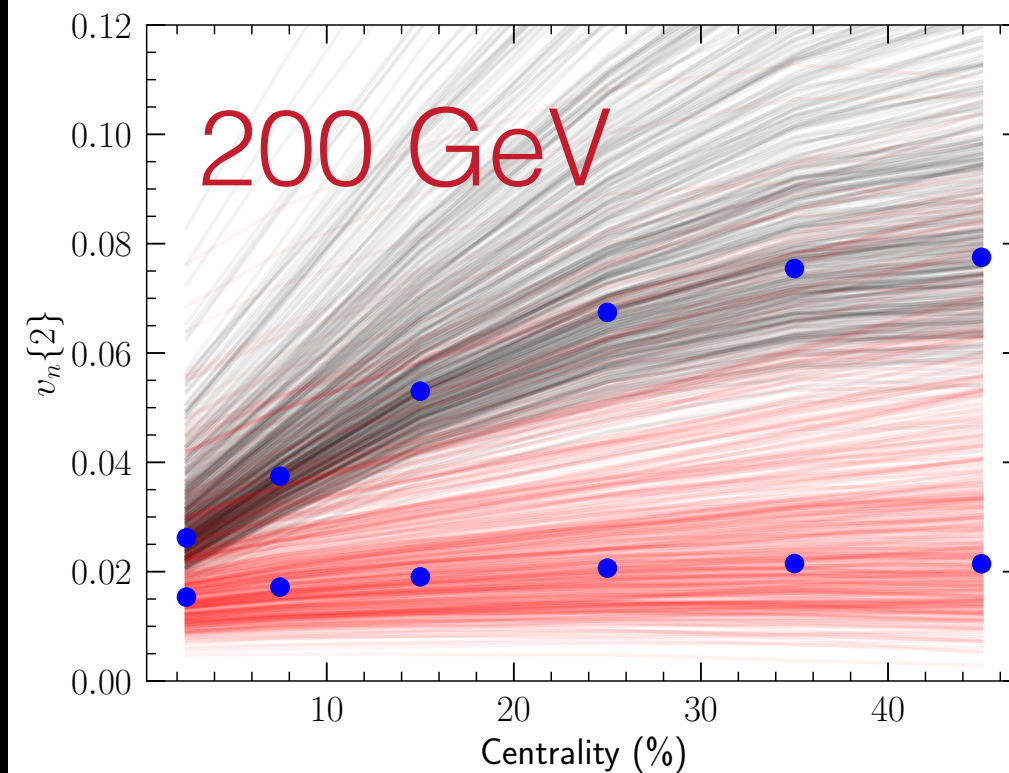
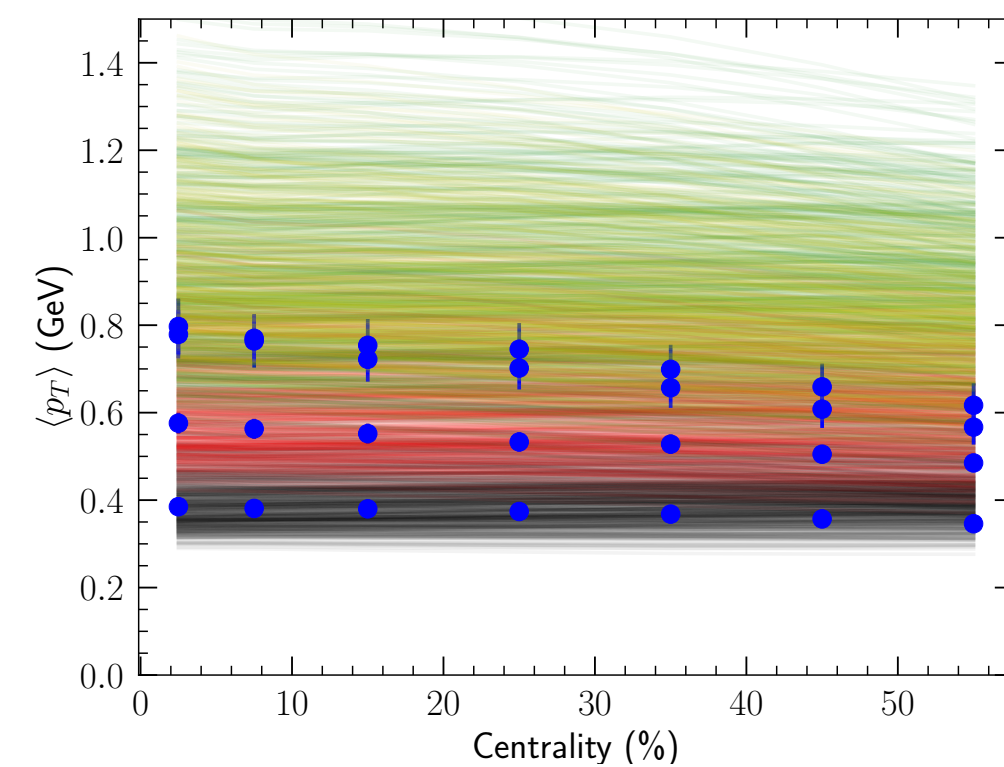
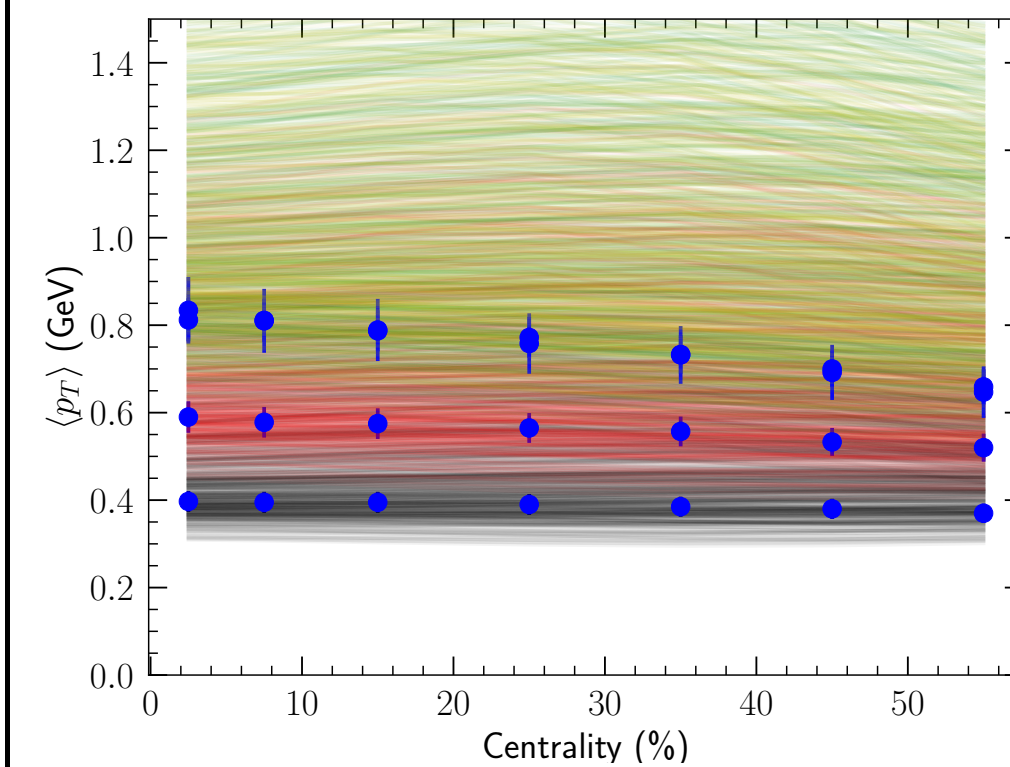
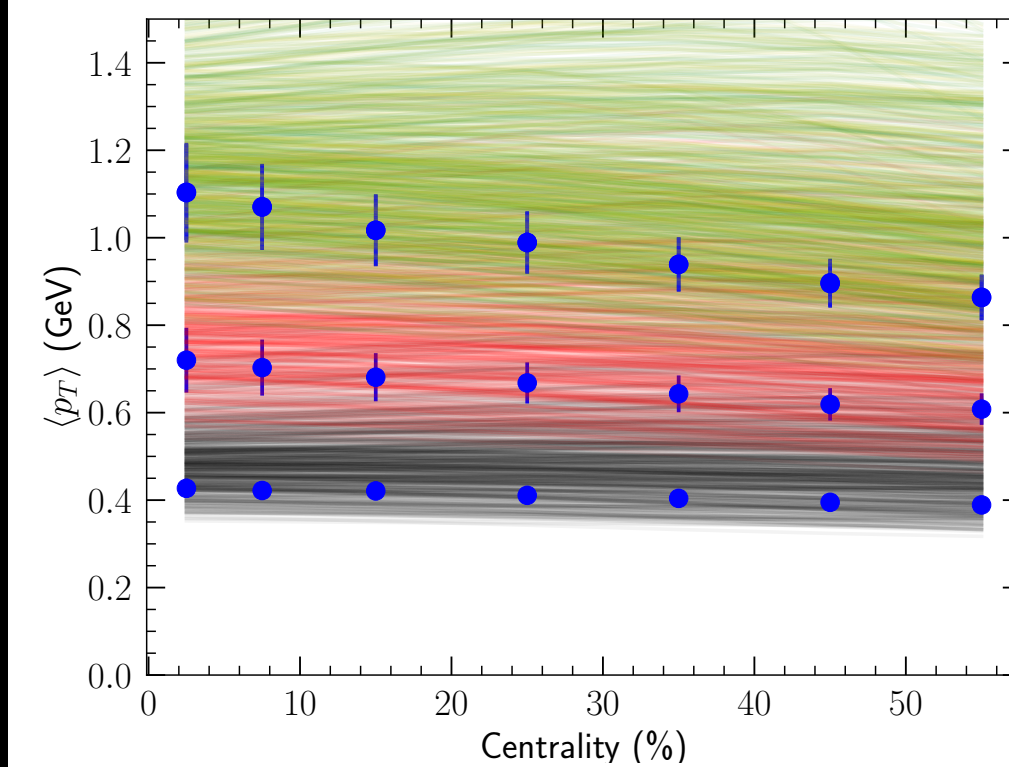
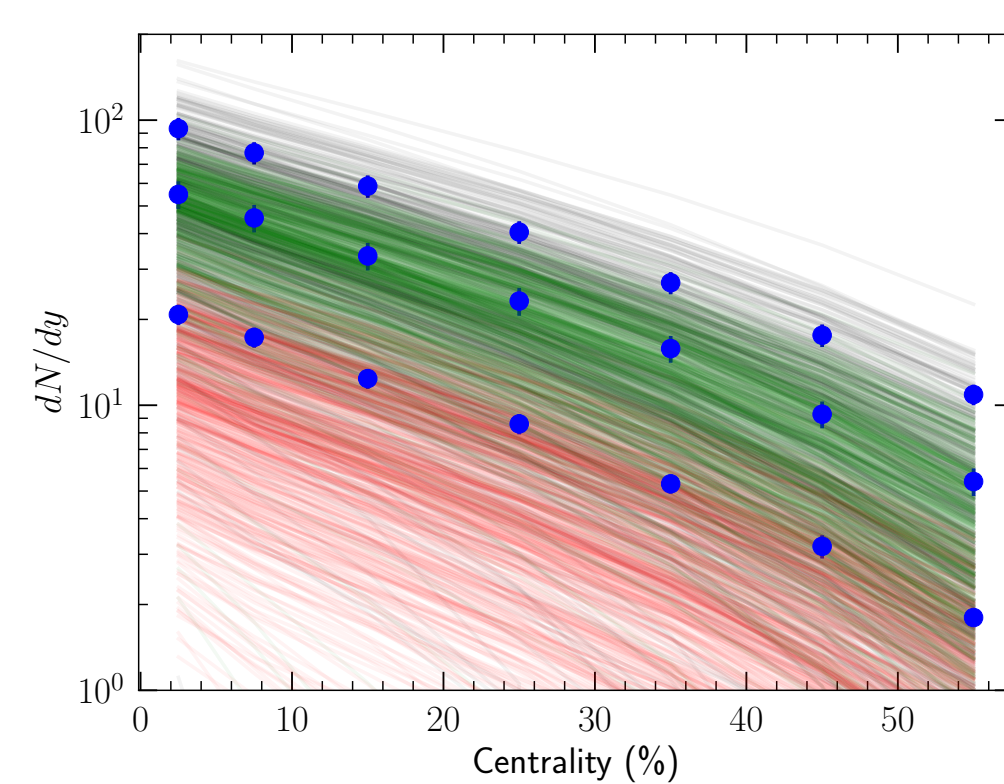
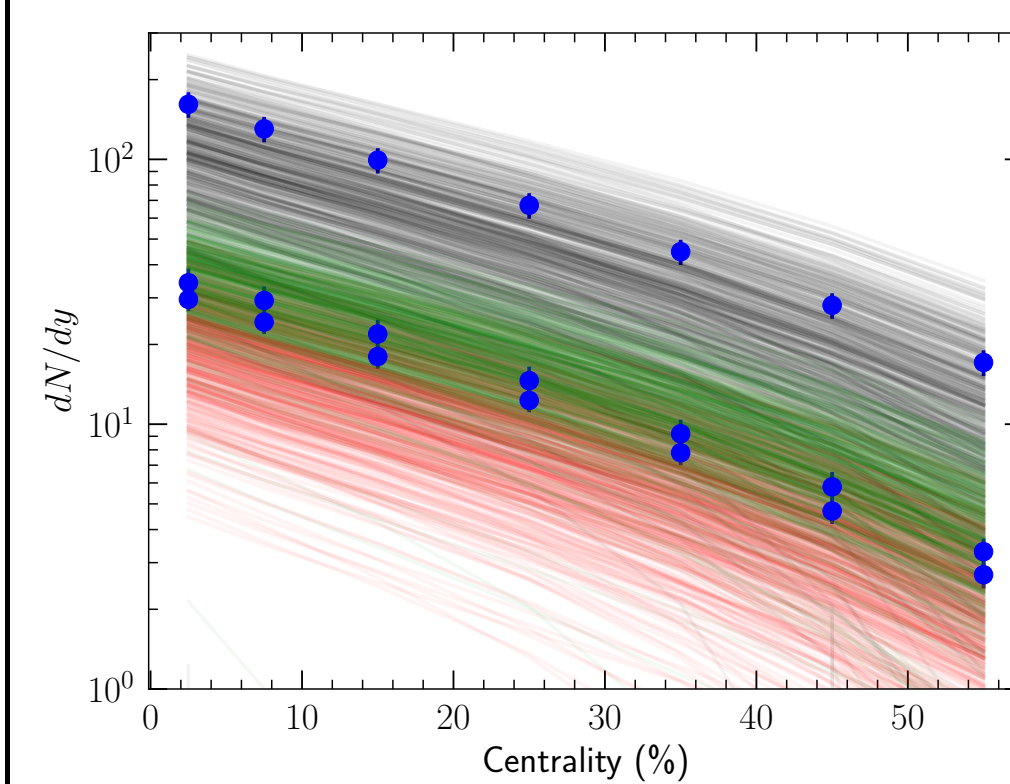
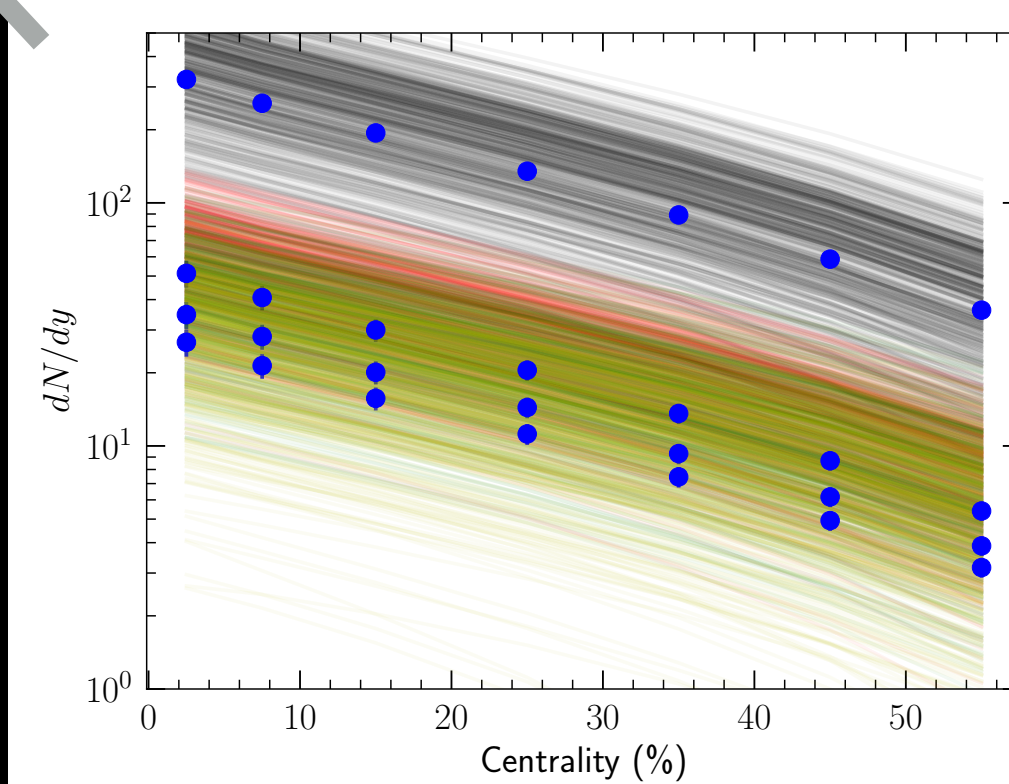
$$\Delta \equiv \frac{1}{N_{\text{param.}}} \int \left| \frac{\theta - \theta_{\text{truth}}}{\theta_{\text{max}} - \theta_{\text{min}}} \right|^2 p(\theta) \, d\theta,$$

Emulator	Δ
PCGP	4.5×10^{-4}
PCSK	5.7×10^{-4}
Scikit GP	2.5×10^{-2}

BAYESIAN INFERENCE AT RHIC BES ENERGIES

PRIOR

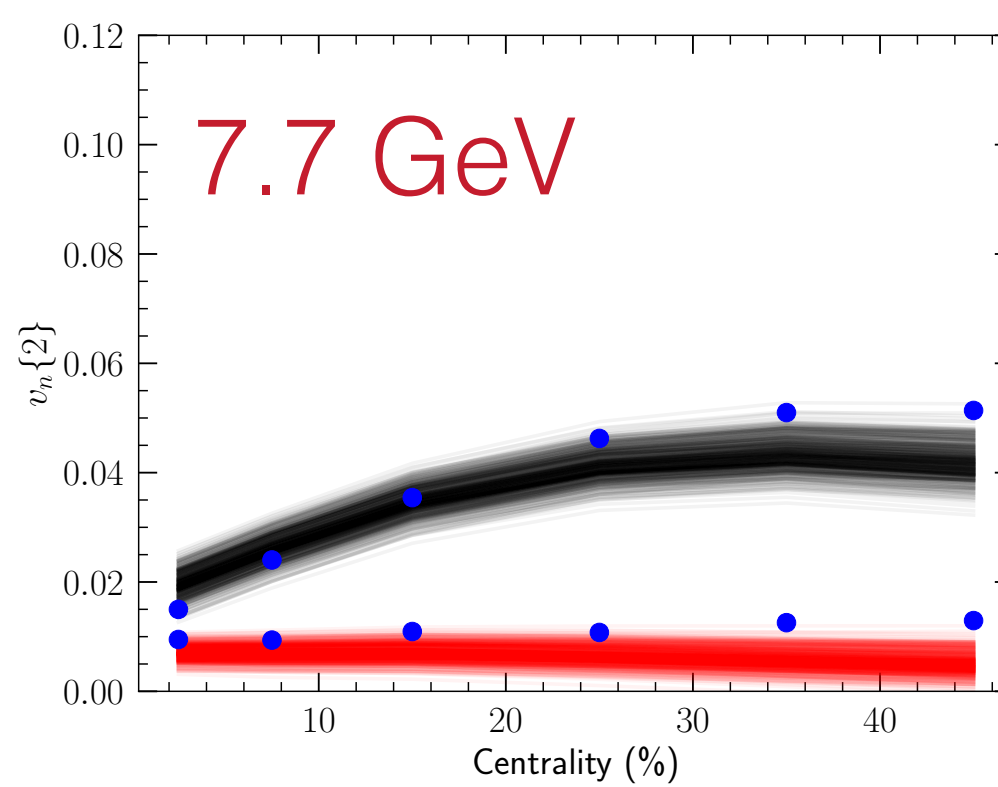
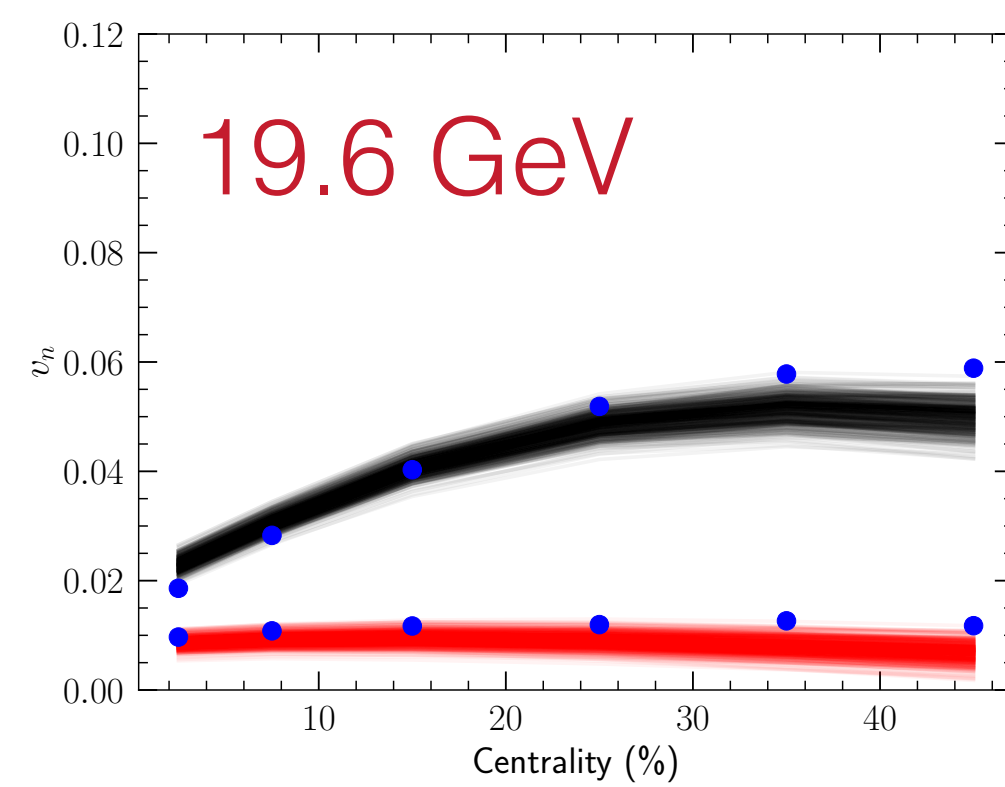
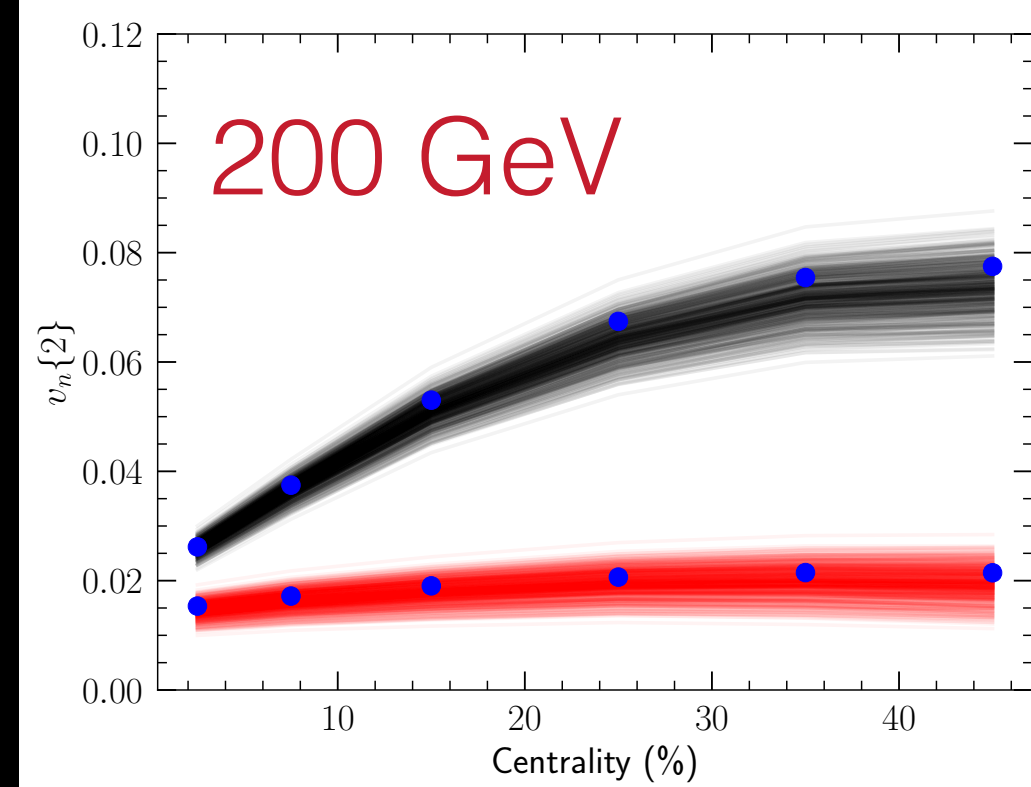
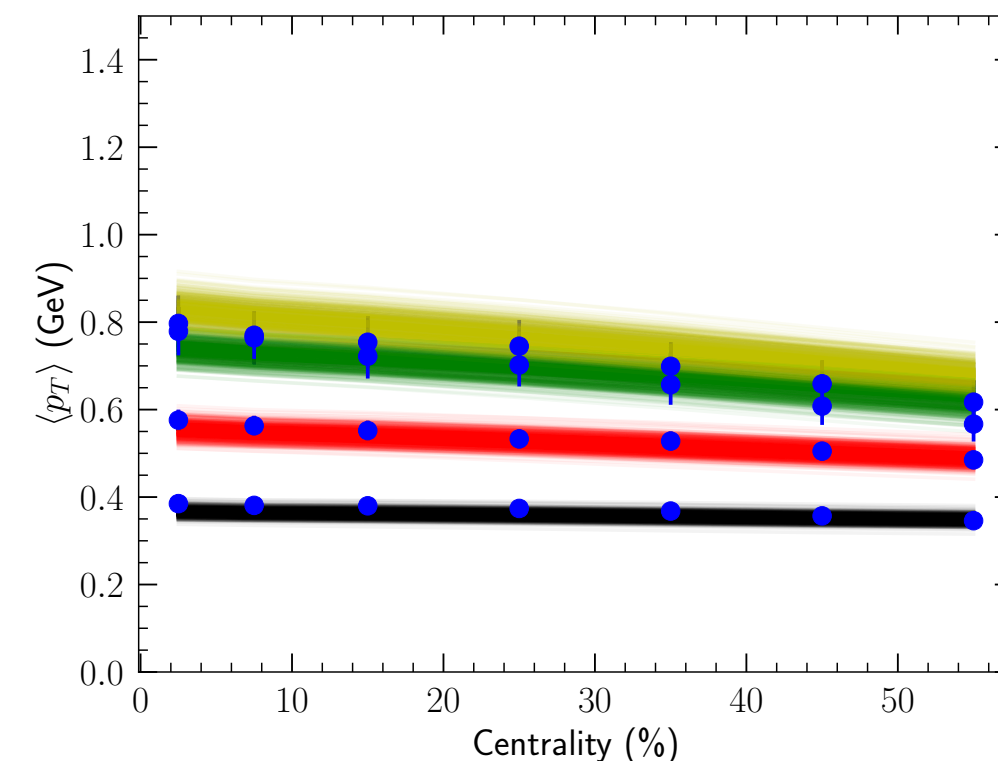
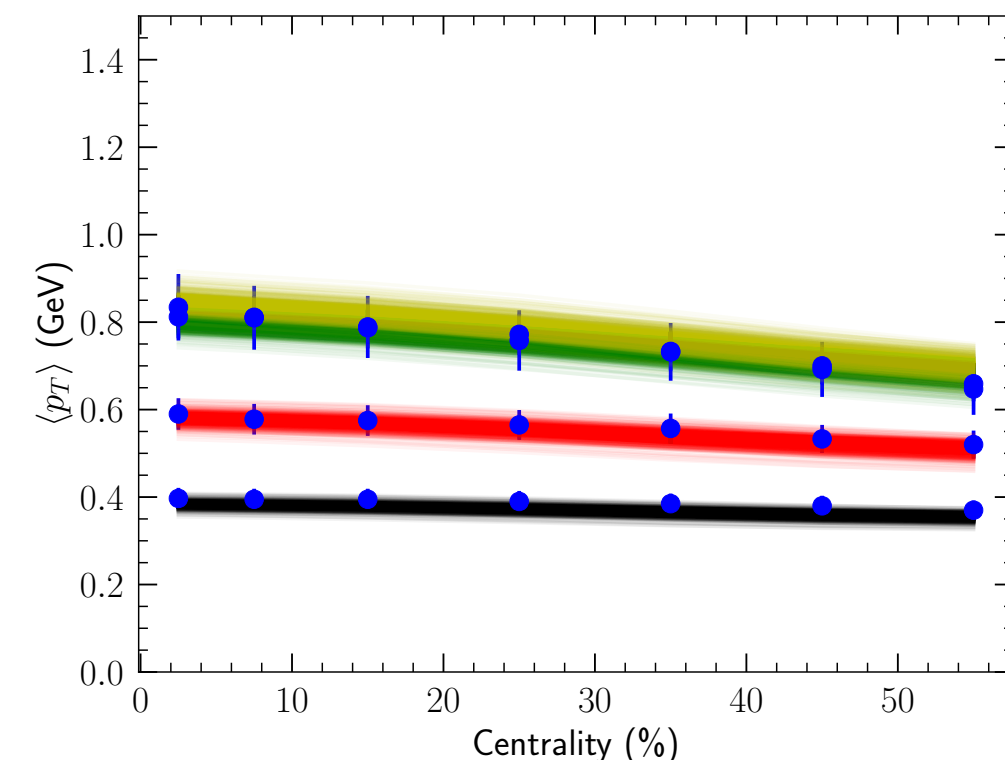
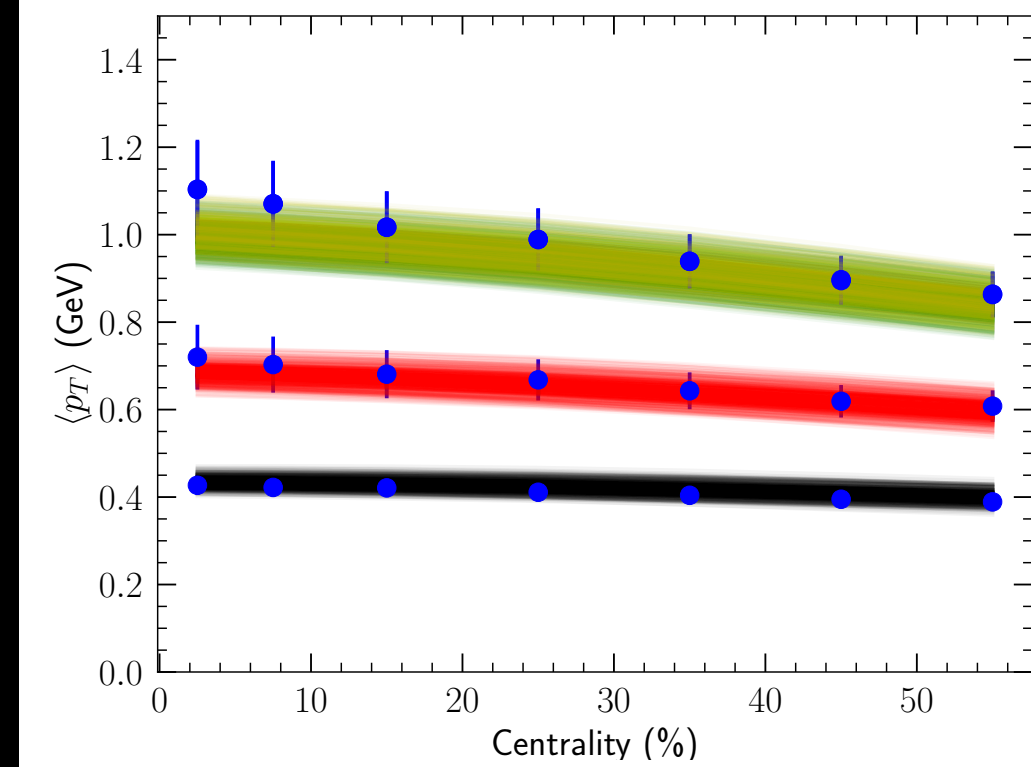
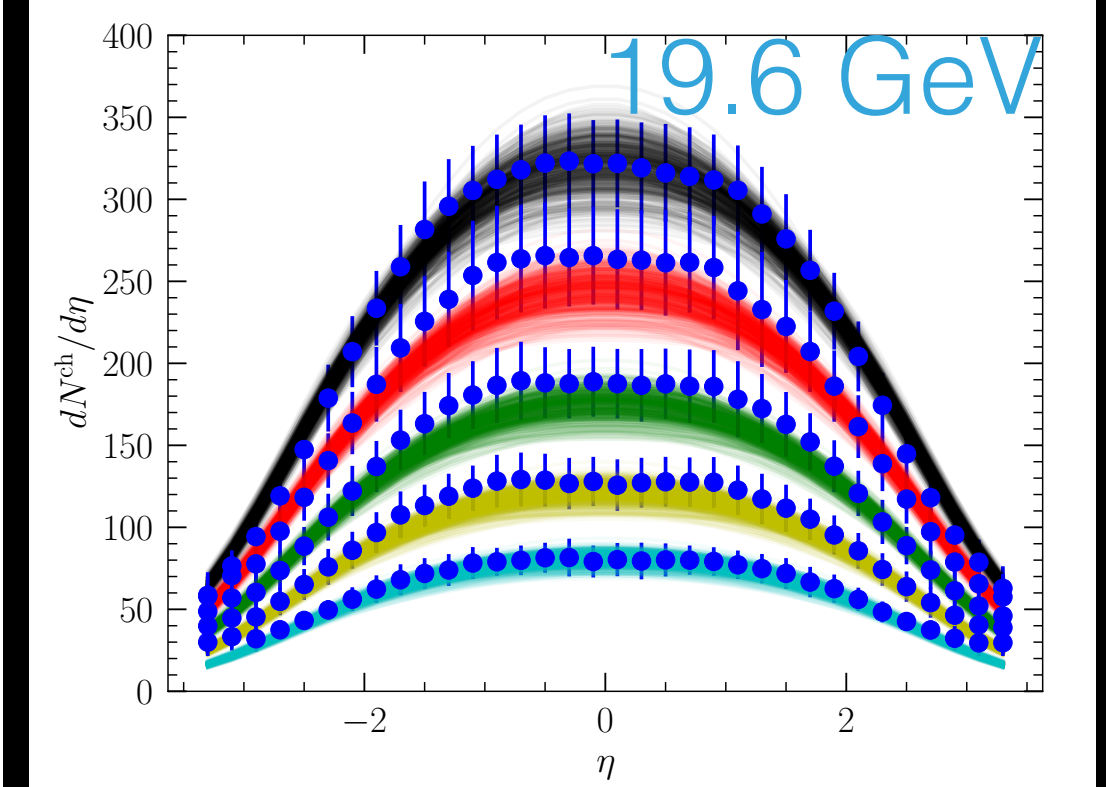
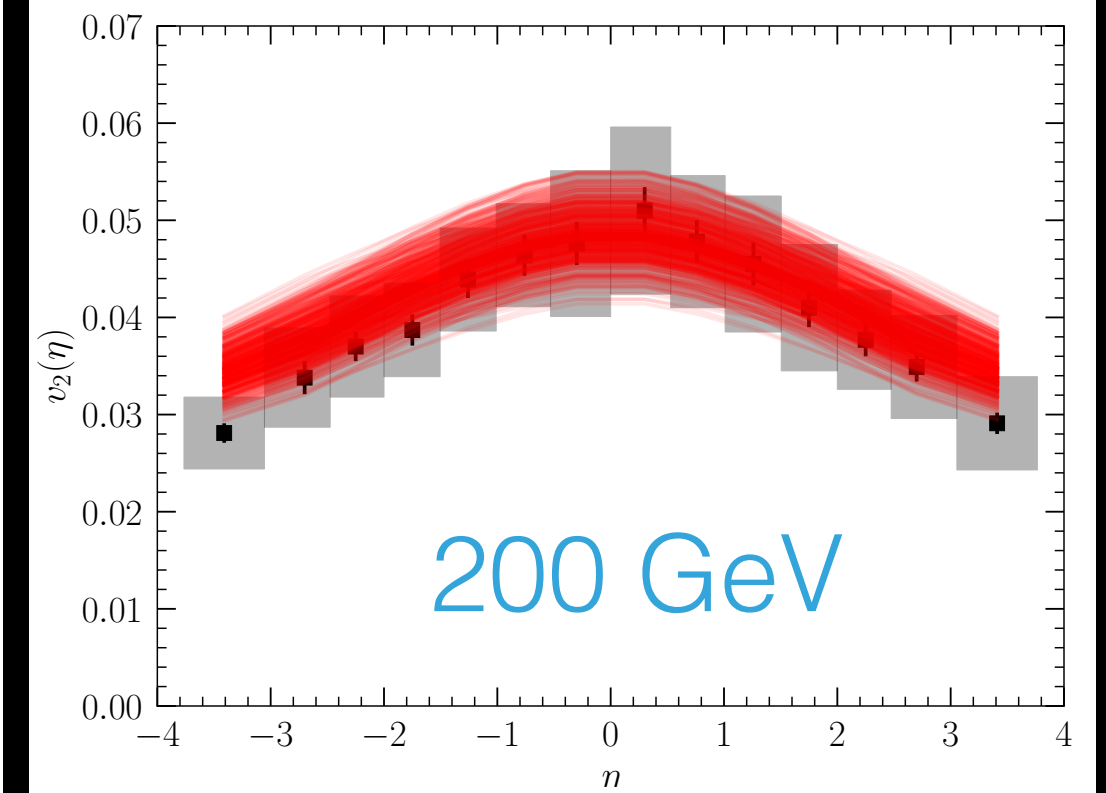
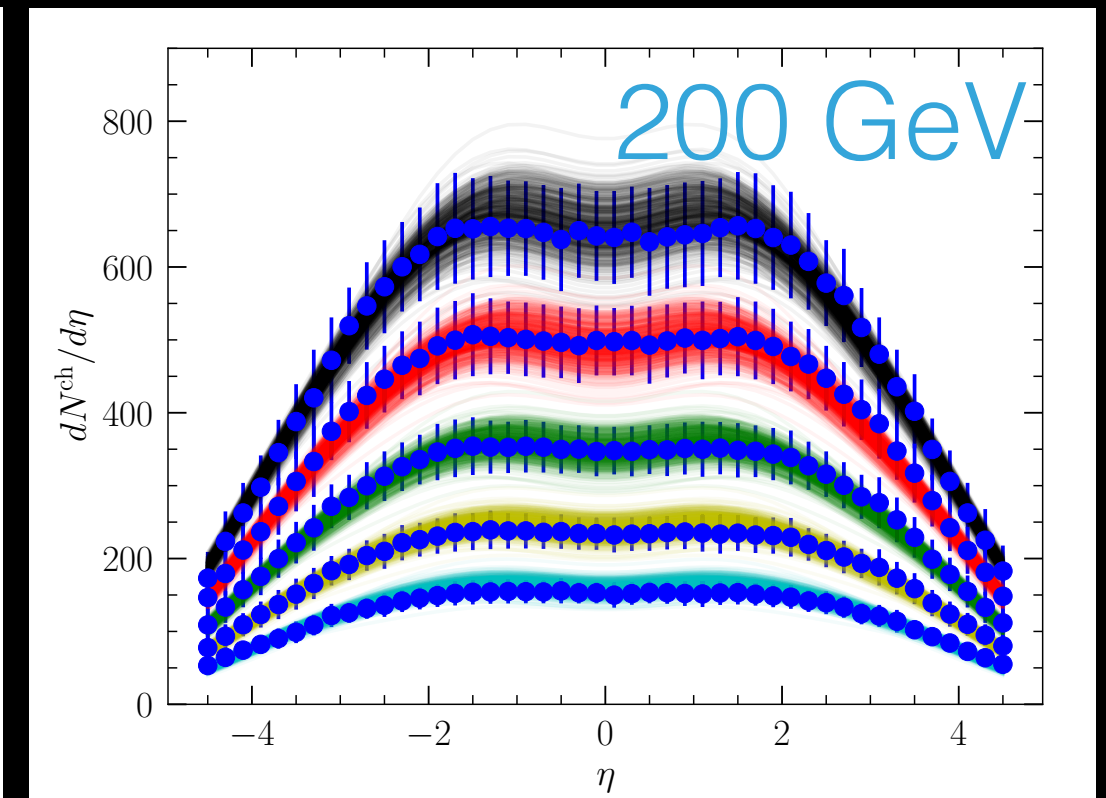
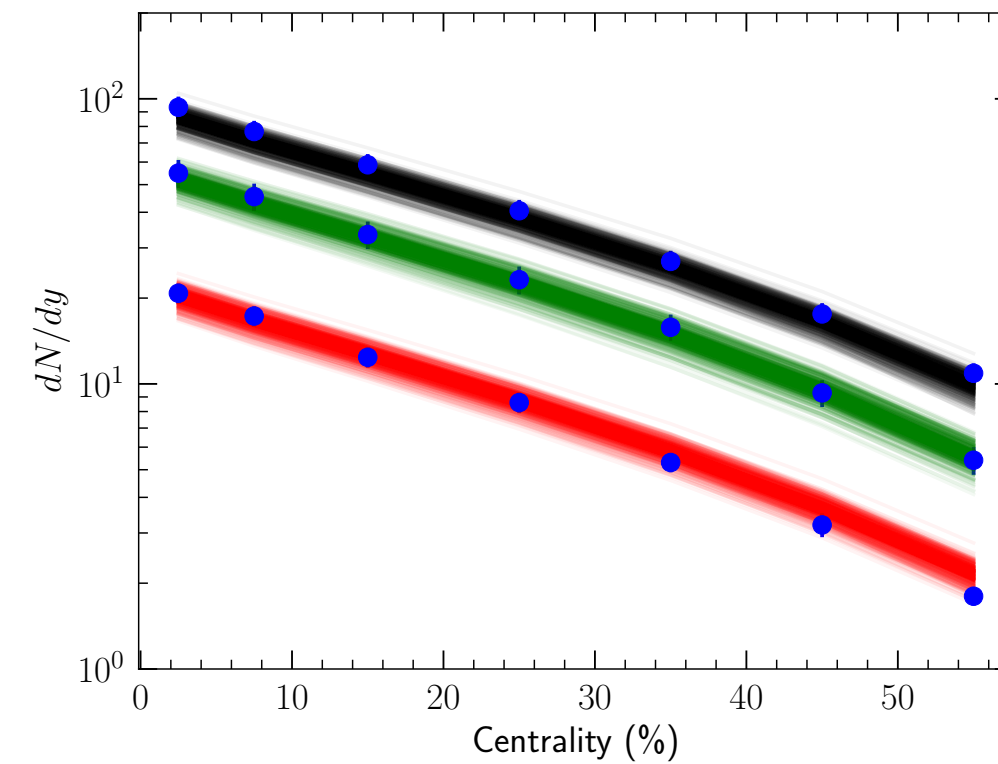
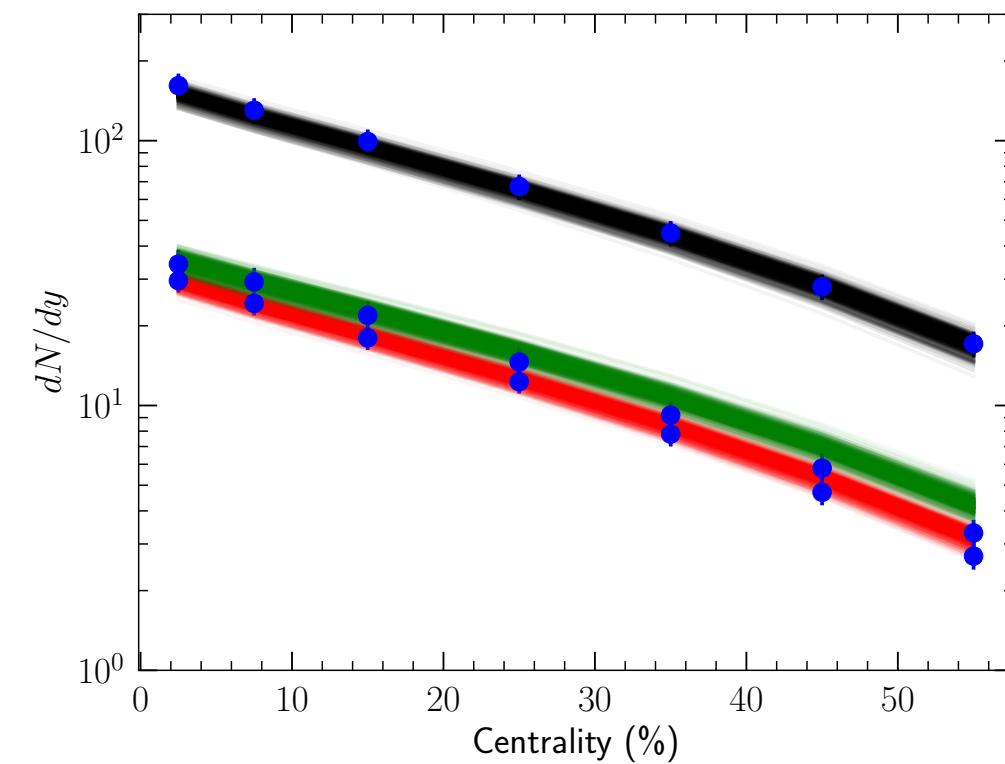
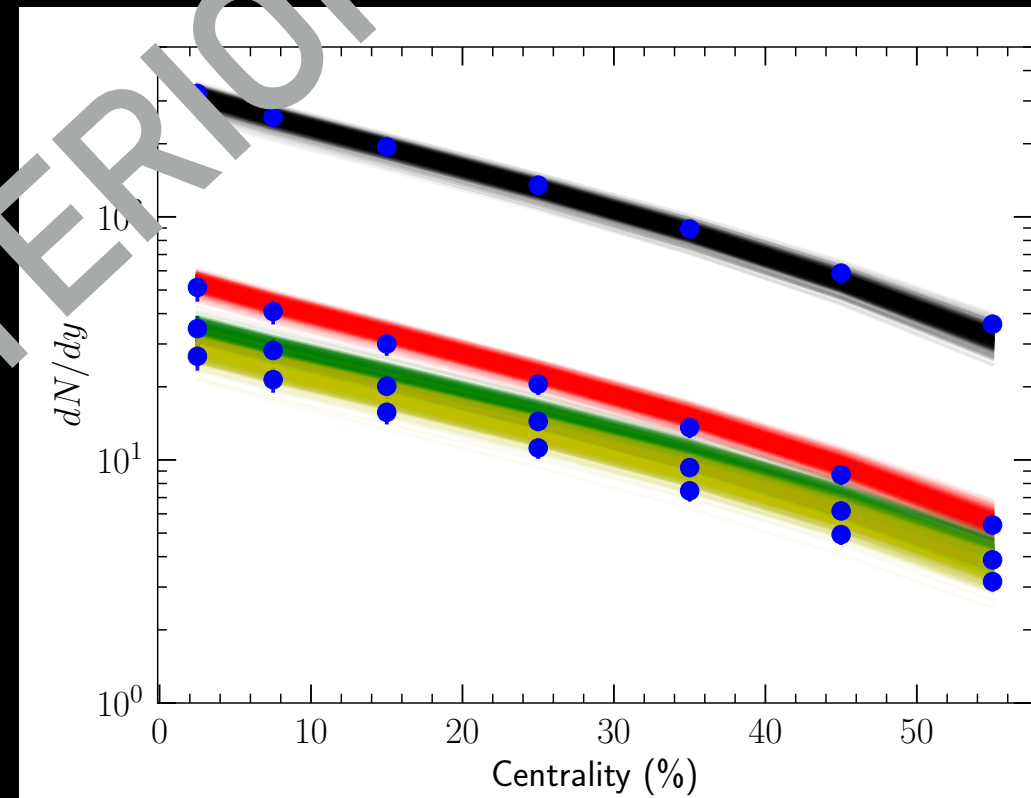
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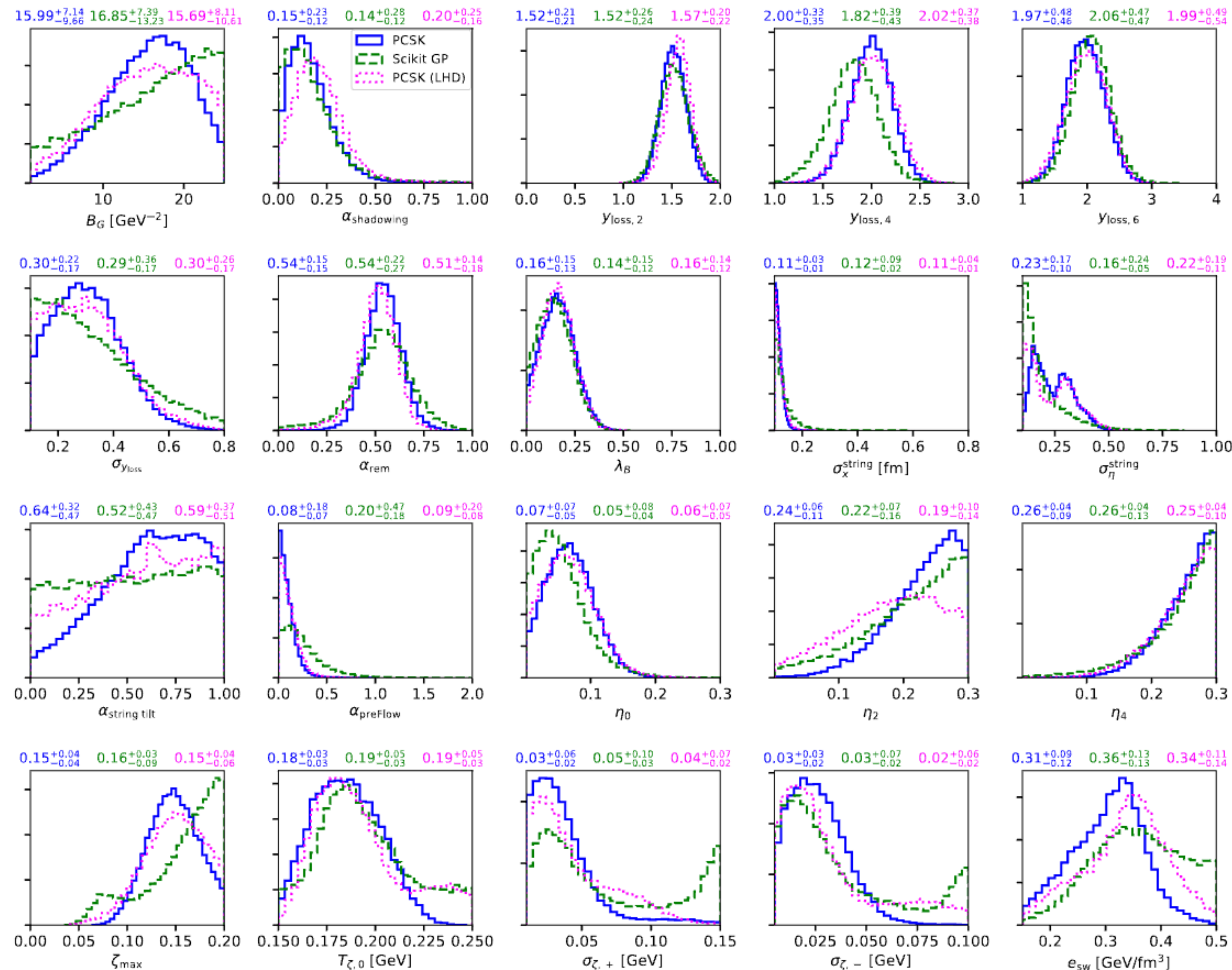
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- We compare different posteriors using the KL divergence:

$$D_{KL} = \int p(\theta) \ln \left(\frac{p(\theta)}{q(\theta)} \right) d\theta$$



Models	D_{KL}
PCSK	24.6
Scikit GP	20.9
PCSK (LHD)	22.4

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$$\mathcal{B}_{A/B} = \frac{P(y_{\text{exp}} | A)}{P(y_{\text{exp}} | B)}$$

Models

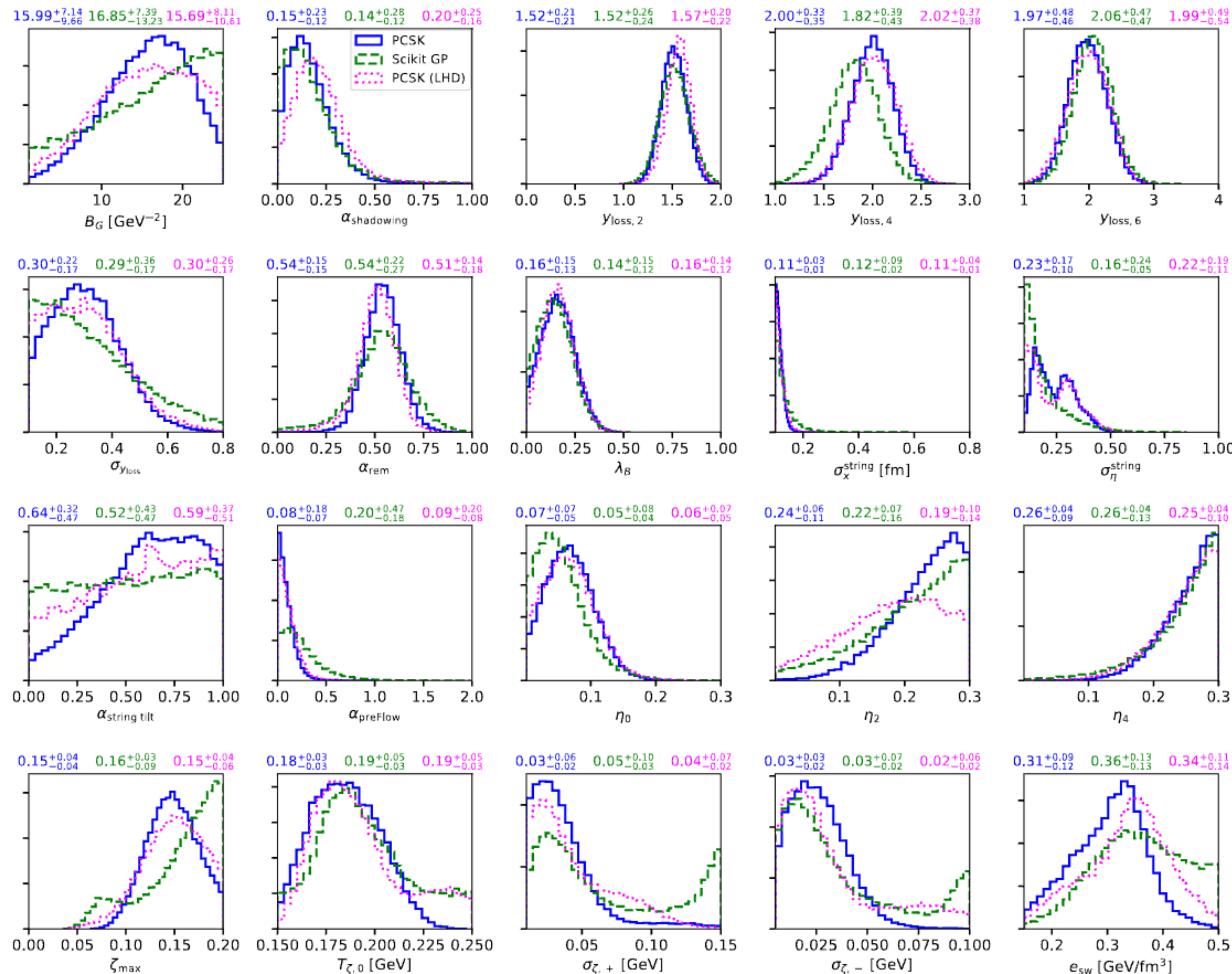
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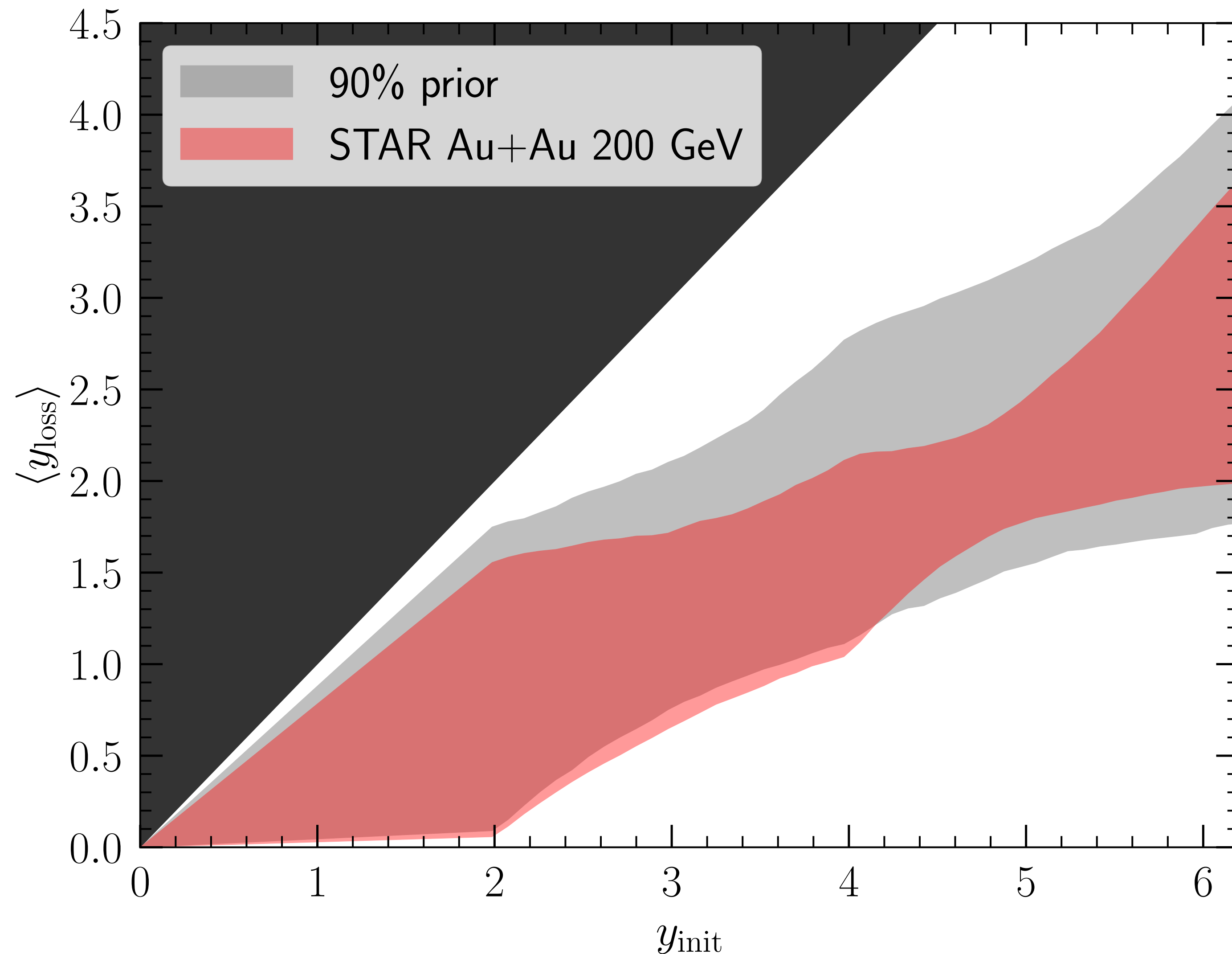
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LHD + HPP/
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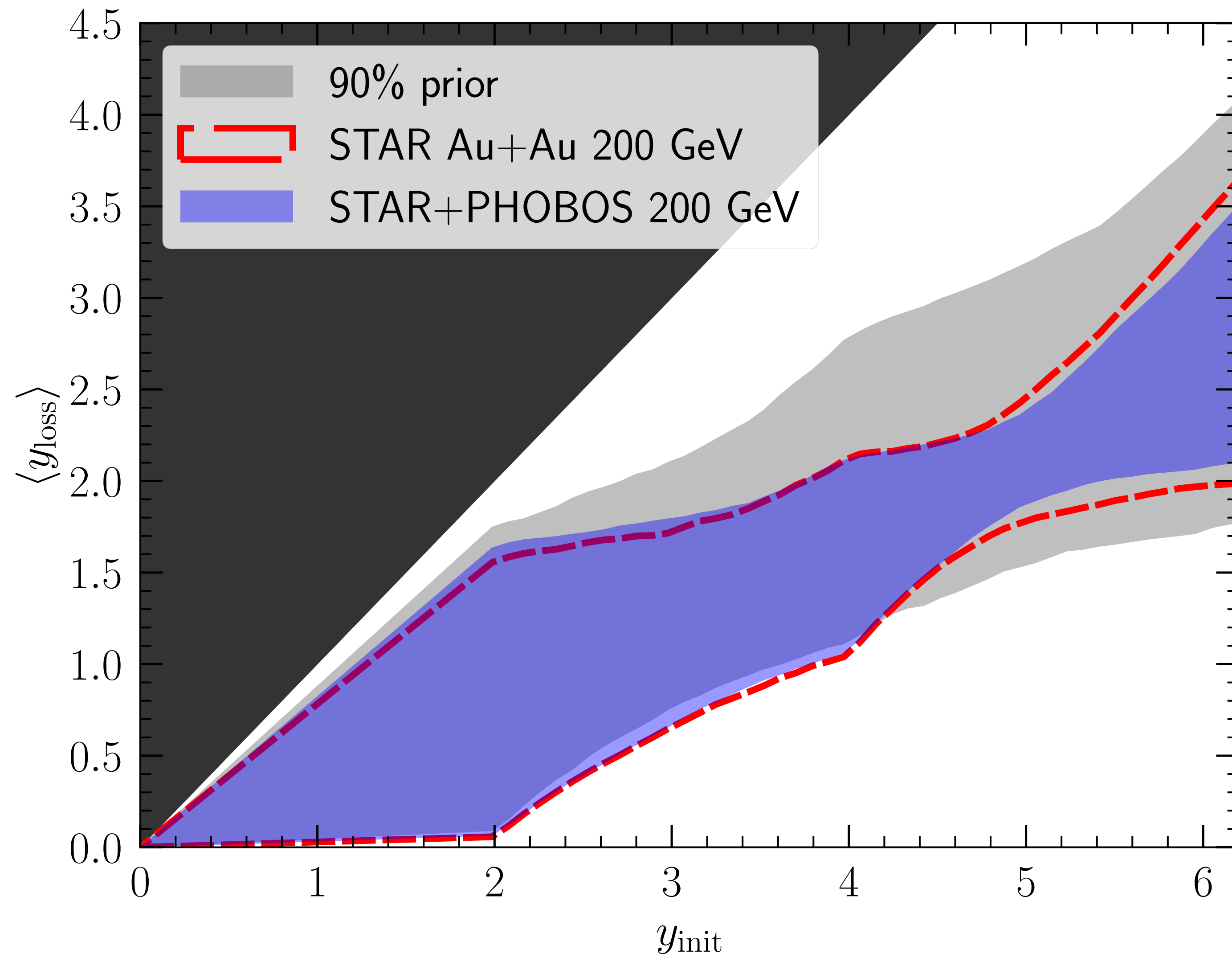
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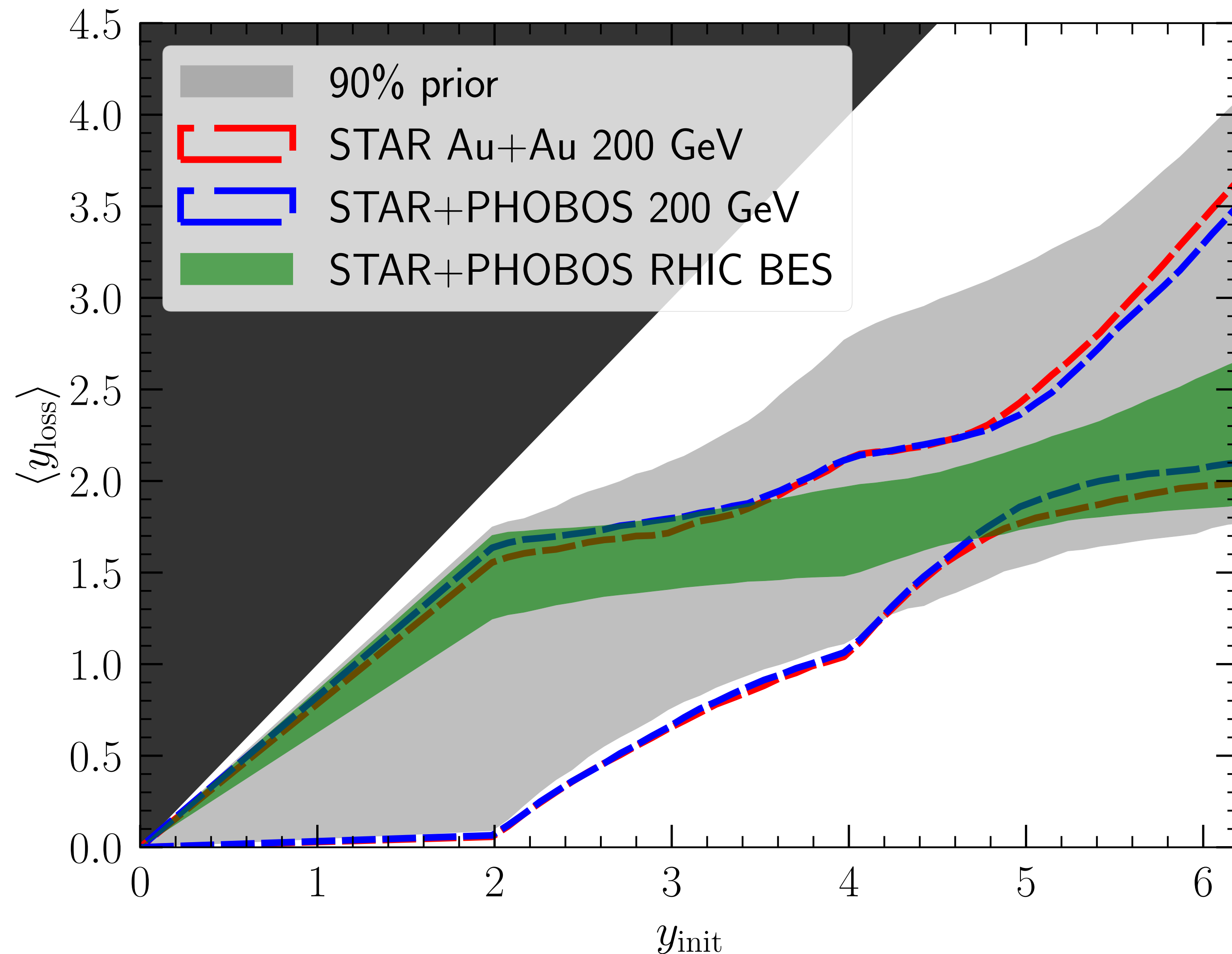
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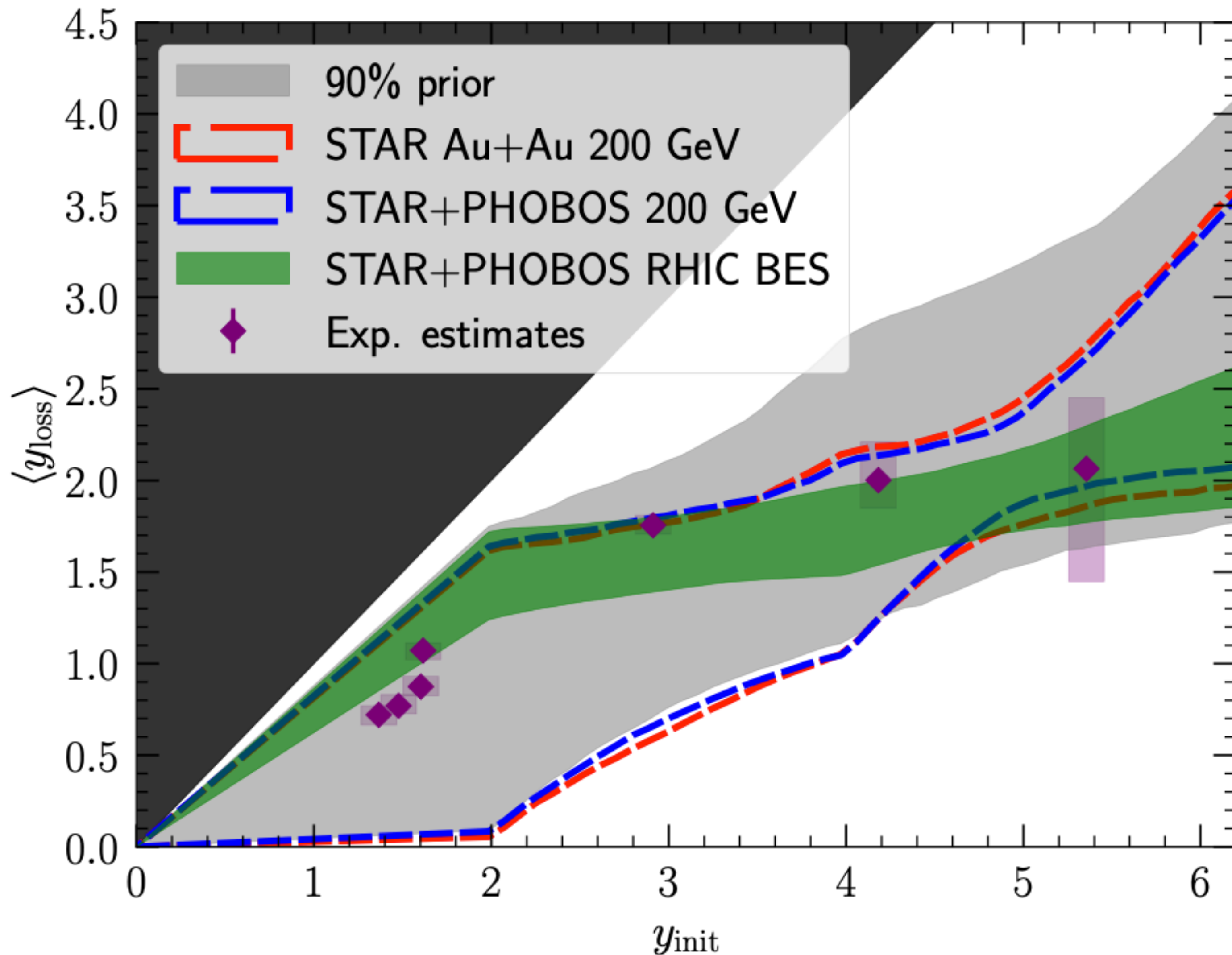
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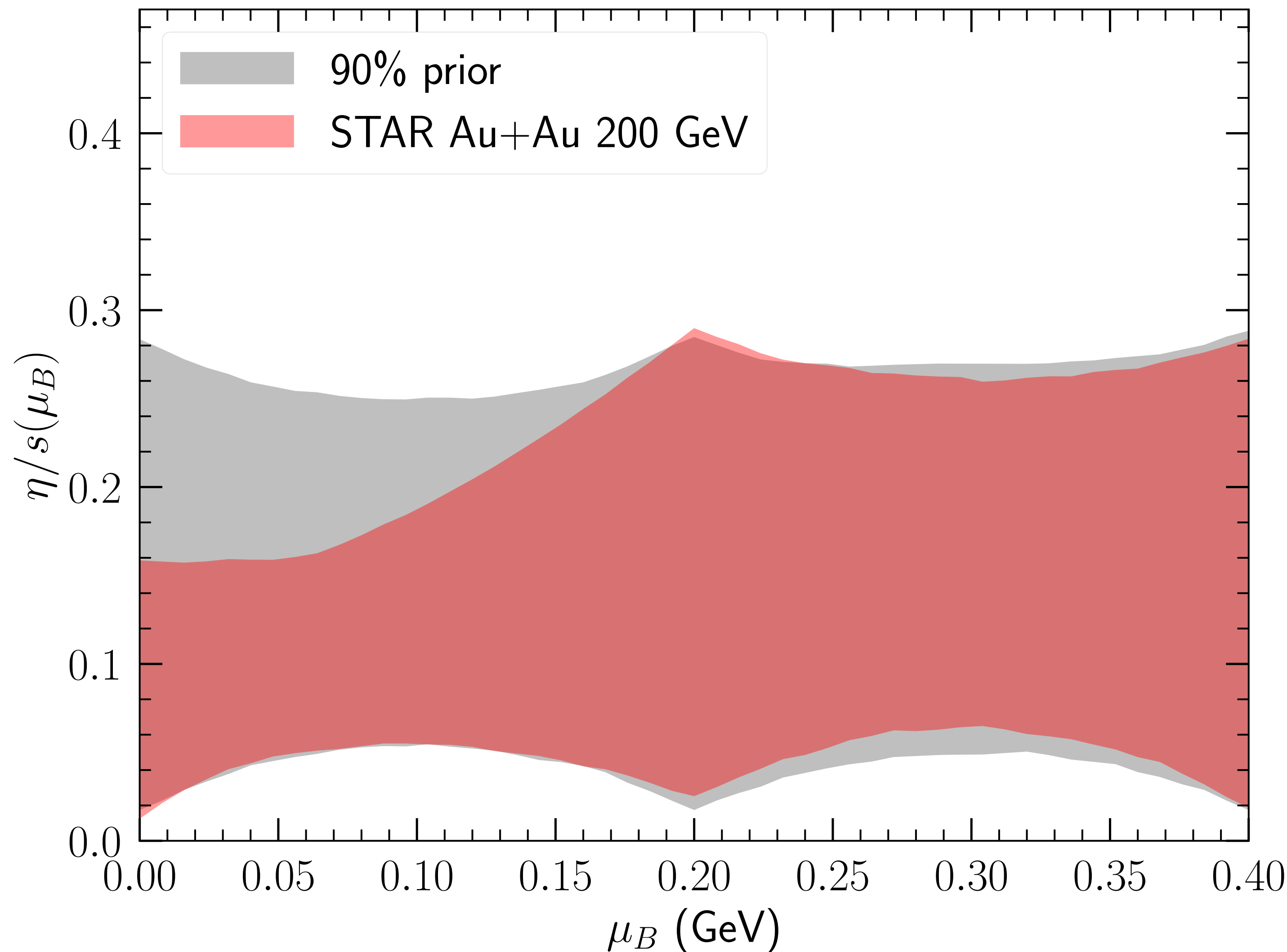
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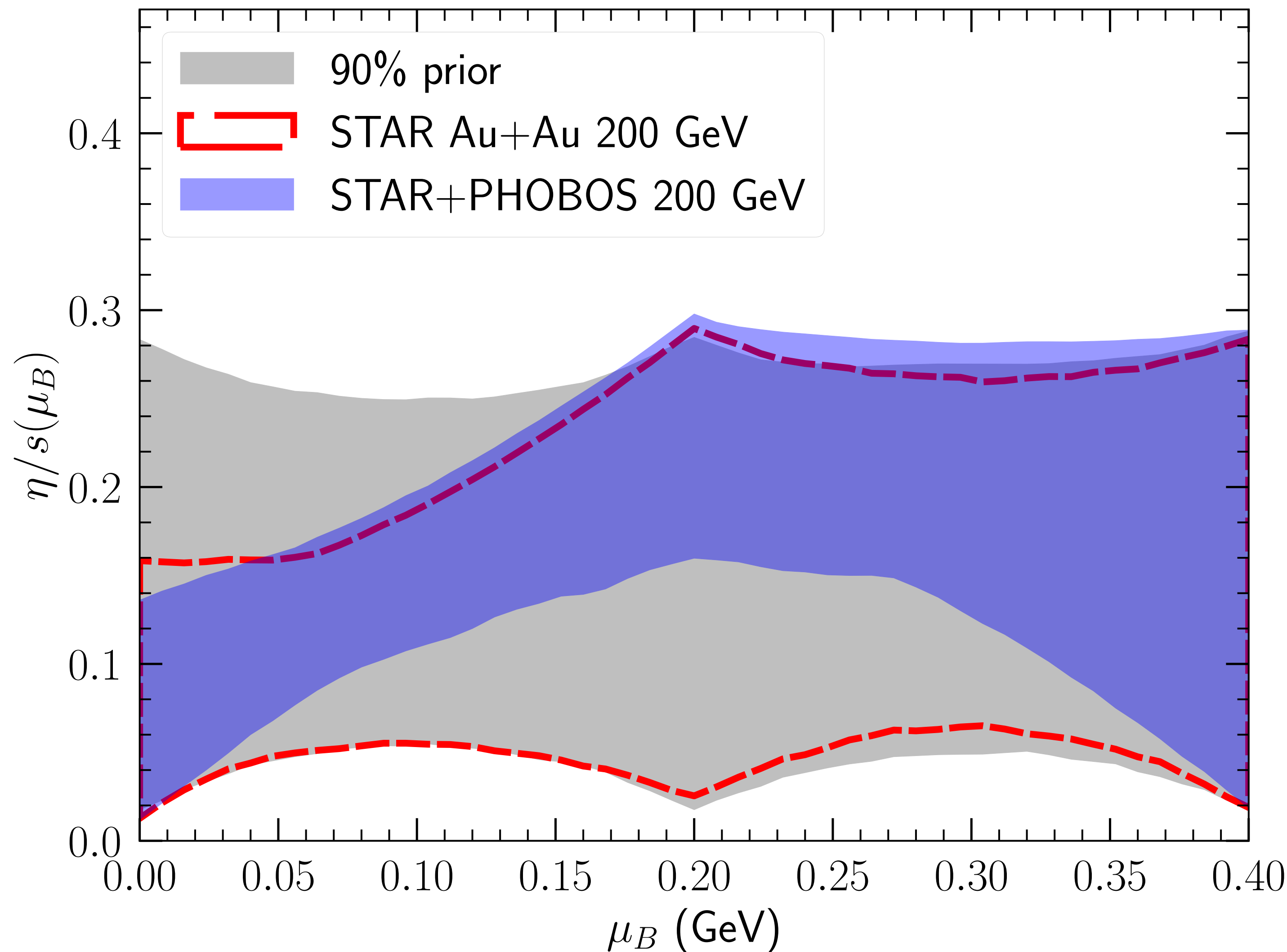
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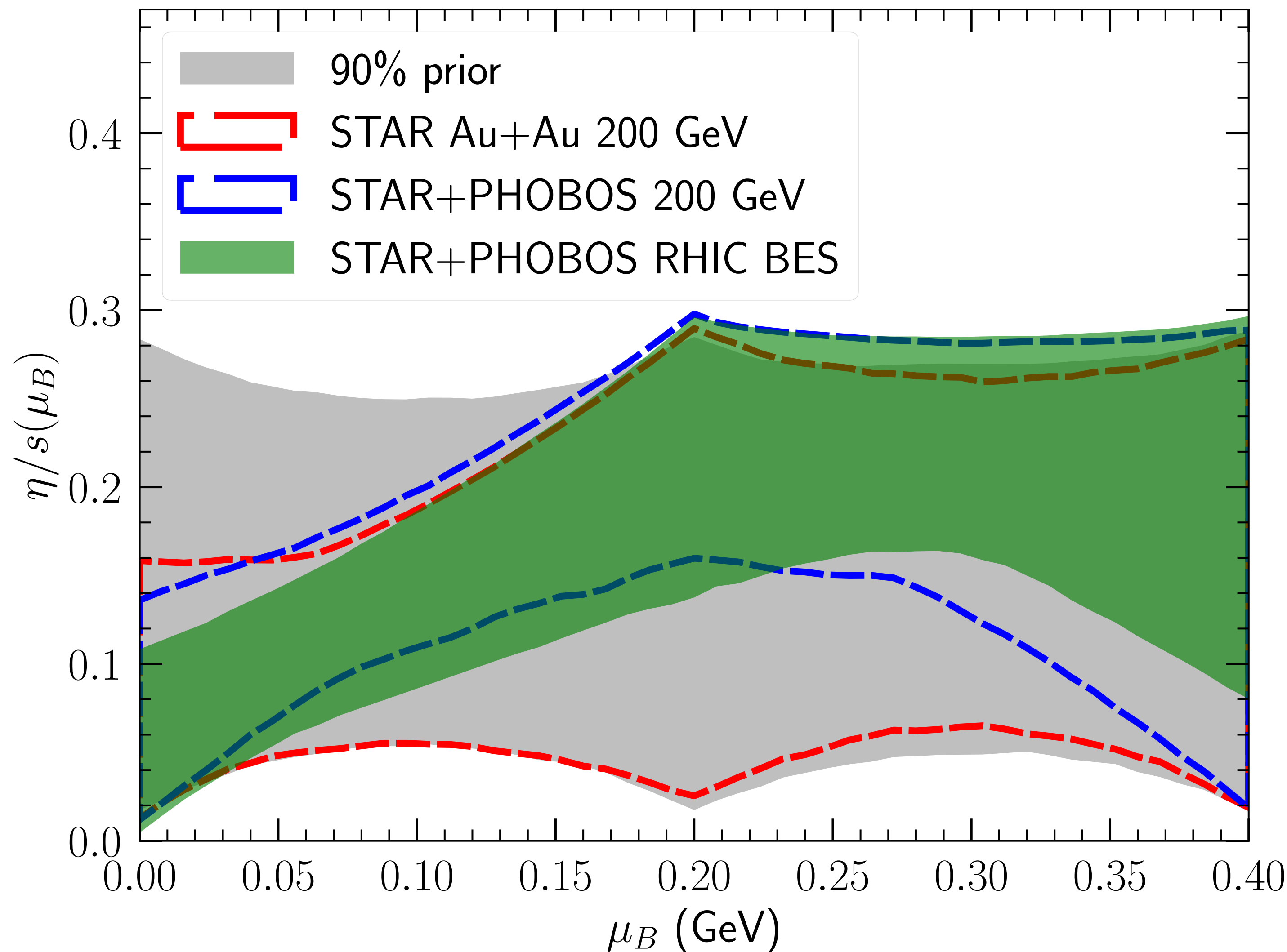
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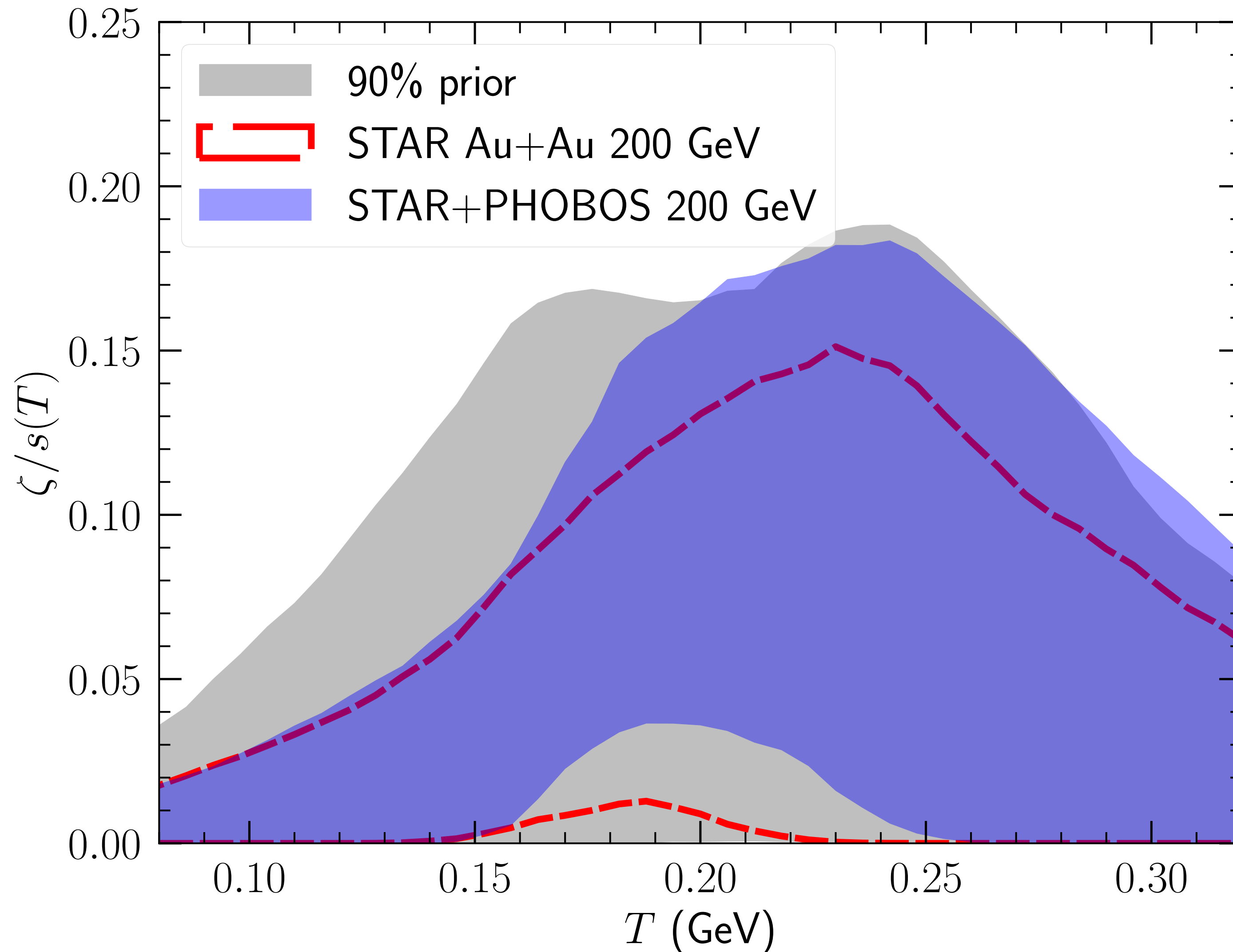
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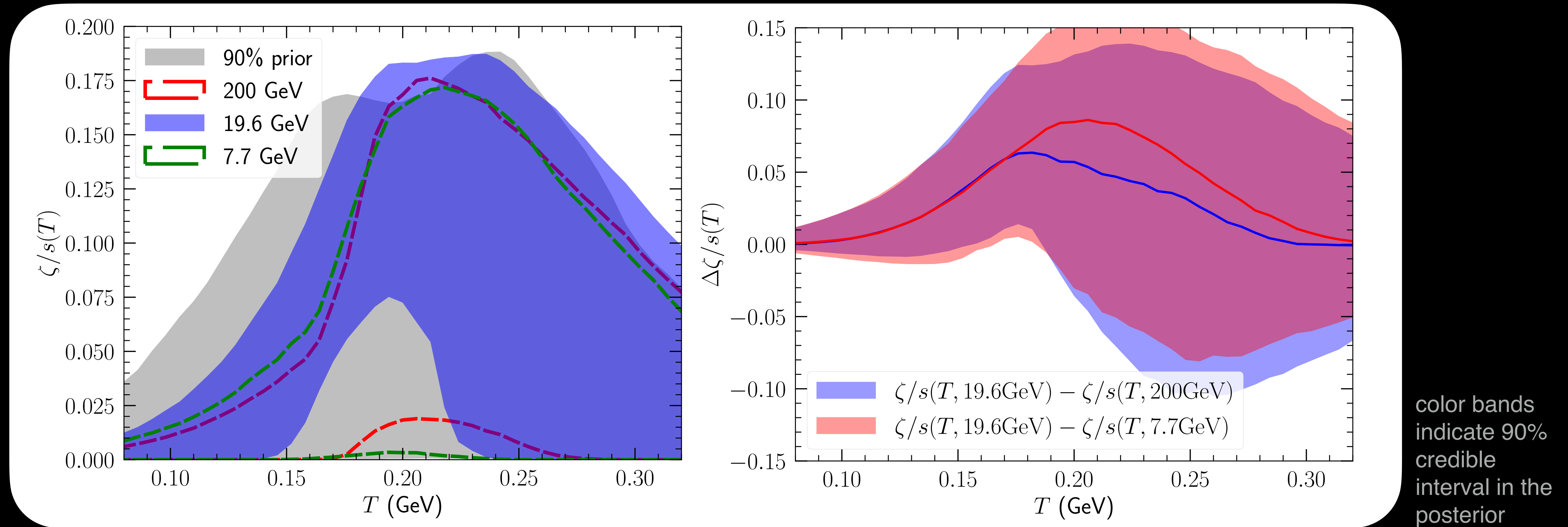
BULK VISCOSITY $\zeta/s(T)$



- Mid-rapidity identified particle yields and their $\langle p_T \rangle$ at 200 GeV set constraints on the temperature dependence of the QGP bulk viscosity
- The additional PHOBOS data shifts the posterior $\zeta/s(T)$ to larger values

color bands indicate 90%
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BULK VISCOSITY $\zeta/s(T, \sqrt{s})$



- Allowing $\zeta/s(T)$ to be an independent function for the three collision energies, our calibration suggests a **larger** $\zeta/s(T)$ at 19.6 GeV than those at 200 and 7.7 GeV for $T \in [0.15, 0.2]$ GeV

Hint for softening EoS at $\mu_B = 0.2$ GeV?

CONCLUSIONS

- We performed a comprehensive Bayesian Inference study at multiple RHIC BES energies with a state-of-the-art event-by-event (3+1)D hybrid framework
- With the RHIC BES phase I data, **robust constraints** are obtained for initial state nuclear stopping, QGP $\eta/s(\mu_B)$, and $\zeta/s(T, \sqrt{s})$ for the first time
- The QGP effective η/s is larger at finite μ_B , while $\zeta/s(T)$ shows a hint for **non-monotonic** energy dependence around $\sqrt{s} = 19.6$ GeV
- Our work marks an important step towards **quantitative characterization** of the QCD phase structure with the RHIC BES and future FAIR programs

