

# **Jet Substructure with Energy Correlators**

**Heavy Ion Physics in the EIC Era**

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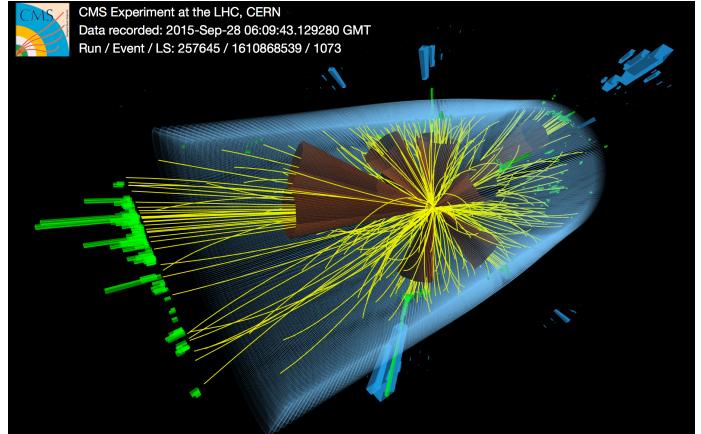
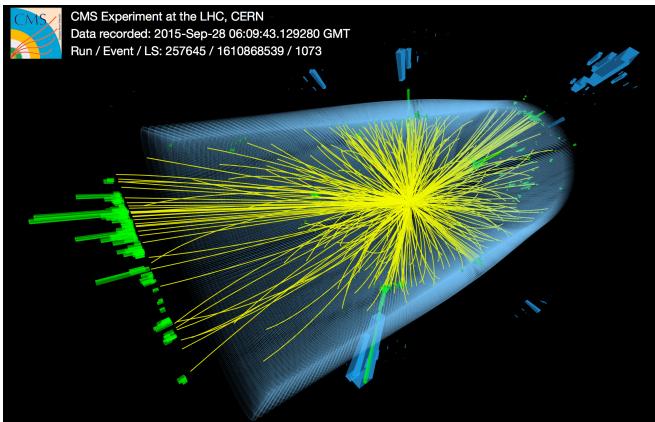
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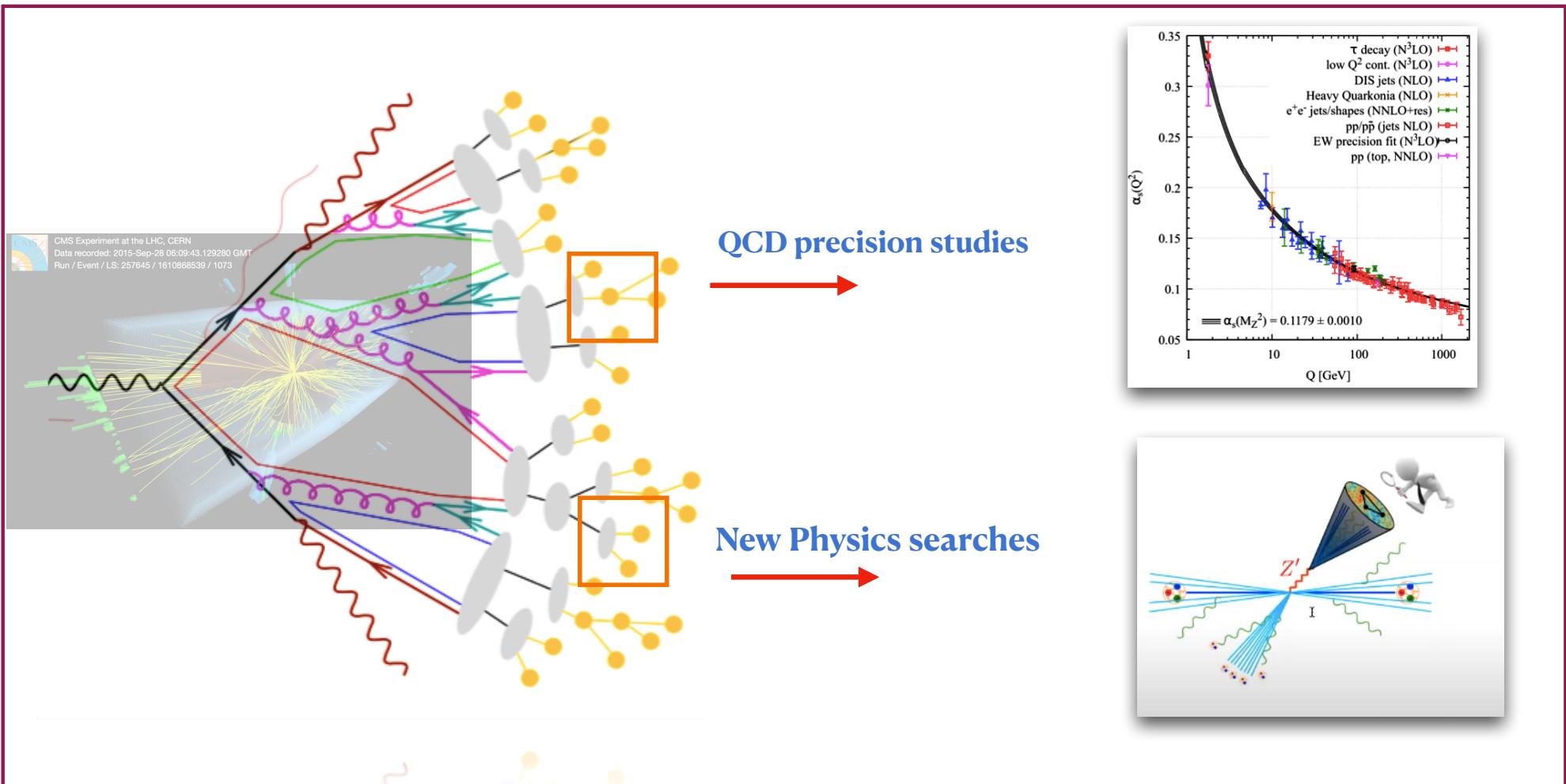
# QCD at Colliders

Jets are naturally emergent phenomena at colliders



Jets are reconstructed using jet algorithms ( $\text{anti-}k_{\text{T}}$ )

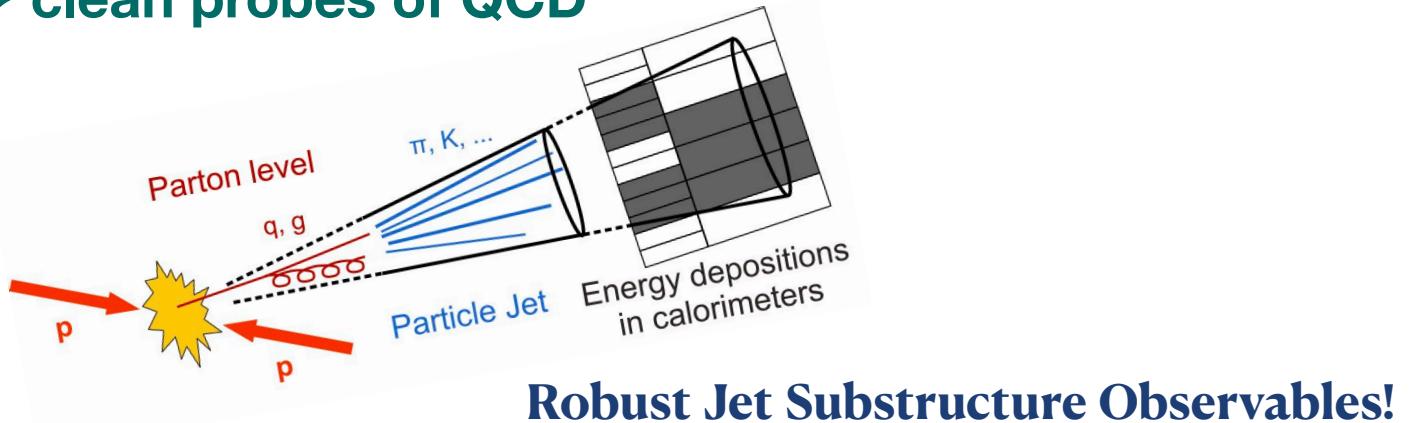
Cacciari, Salam 2006 Salam; Soyez 2007



# Jet Substructure

How can we learn about underlying physics from the reconstructed jets?

- Study the internal structure of a jet → theoretical analysis and measurements of kinematic properties
- Underlying Physics and intrinsic properties are imprinted in jet substructure → clean probes of QCD



# Event Shapes

- Weighted cross-sections: distribution of outgoing particles/charges

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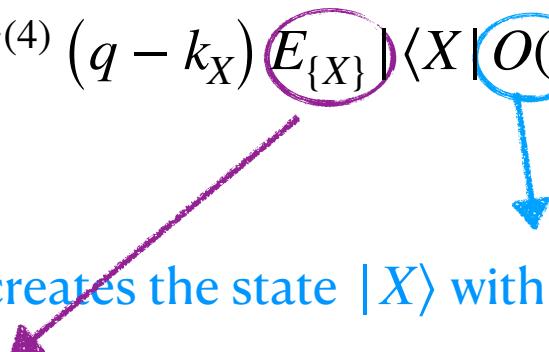
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Weight factor depends on the measurement.

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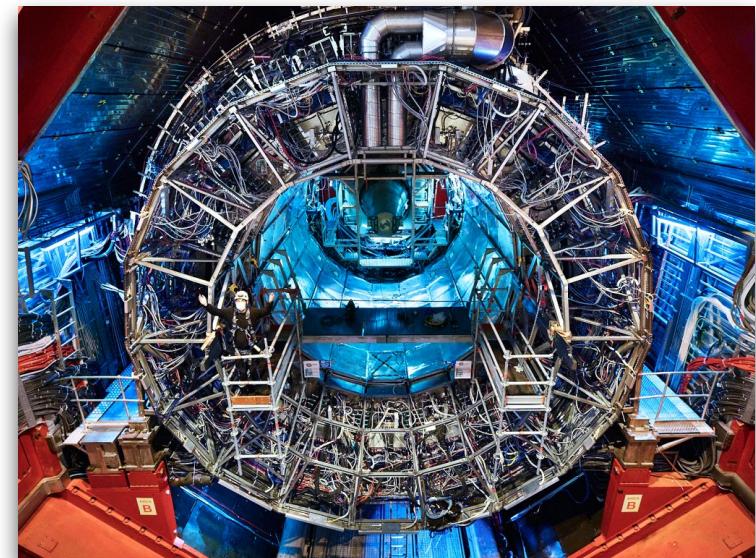
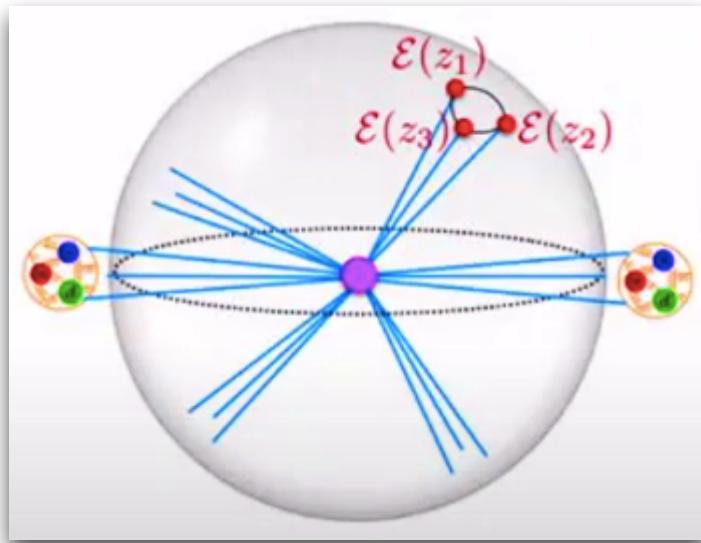
For  $\omega(X)$  weighted energy this expression gives the distribution of energy inside the jet.

$E_{\{X\}}$  are different permutations for all  $\{X\}$  final states

**Reformulate such event shape  
distributions with correlation  
functions!**

# Energy Correlators

Energy Correlators describe the calorimeter cells at infinity on the celestial sphere



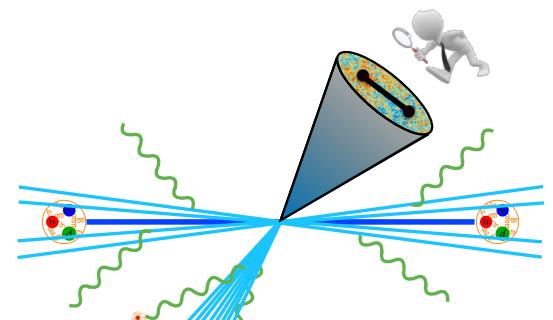
$$\langle \Psi | \varepsilon(\vec{n}_1)\varepsilon(\vec{n}_2)\dots\varepsilon(\vec{n}_n) | \Psi \rangle$$

# Energy Flow Inside the Jet

- Distribution of energy inside the jet is described by correlation functions of the energy flow operators  $\Rightarrow$  Energy Correlators.

$$\langle \Psi | \varepsilon(\vec{n}_1) \varepsilon(\vec{n}_2) \dots \varepsilon(\vec{n}_n) | \Psi \rangle$$

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



**Defined from first principles in QFT!**

- Any physics dynamics will be imprinted in the energy distributions inside the jet.

# Energy Flow Inside the Jet

Correlation functions of the energy flow operators  $\langle \epsilon(\vec{n}_1) \cdots \epsilon(\vec{n}_n) \rangle$  characterize the final state hadrons in QCD

## Energy Correlations in electron - Positron Annihilation: Testing QCD

C.Louis Basham (Washington U., Seattle), Lowell S. Brown (Washington U., Seattle), Stephen D. Ellis (Washington U., Seattle), Sherwin T. Love (Washington U., Seattle)

Aug, 1978

13 pages

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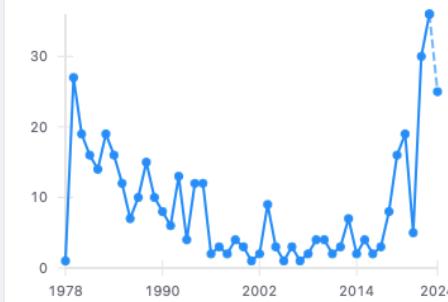
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## Abstract: (APS)

An experimental measure is presented for a precise test of quantum chromodynamics. This measure involves the asymmetry in the energy-weighted opening angles of the jets of hadrons produced in the process  $e^+e^- \rightarrow$  hadrons at energy  $W$ . It is special for several reasons: It is reliably calculable in asymptotically free perturbation theory; it has rapidly vanishing (order  $1/W^2$ ) corrections due to nonperturbative confinement effects; and it is straightforward to determine experimentally.

# Theoretical and Phenomenological Motivation

- Transition from TeV to GeV scales is a high multiplicity regime to study QCD with jet substructure
- Use correlation functions to characterize the theory
- At colliders  $\sqrt{s} \gg m \rightarrow$  Conformal Field Theory (CFT)

## Motivation:

- Can we relate the asymptotic data at colliders to underlying properties of the theory
  - Coupling constants, transport coefficients, particle spectrum....?
  - What is the space of observables at null infinity?

# Energy Correlators from CFT to Jet-Substructure

**Observables in CFT are used to describe data at hadron colliders  
→take full advantage of the progress in formal field theory**

Conformal collider physics:  
Energy and charge correlations

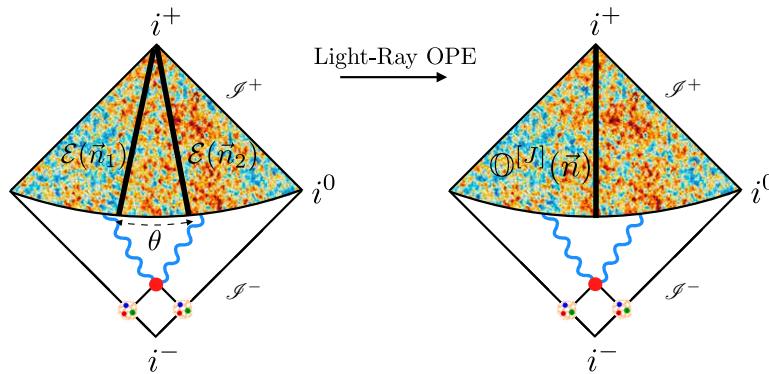
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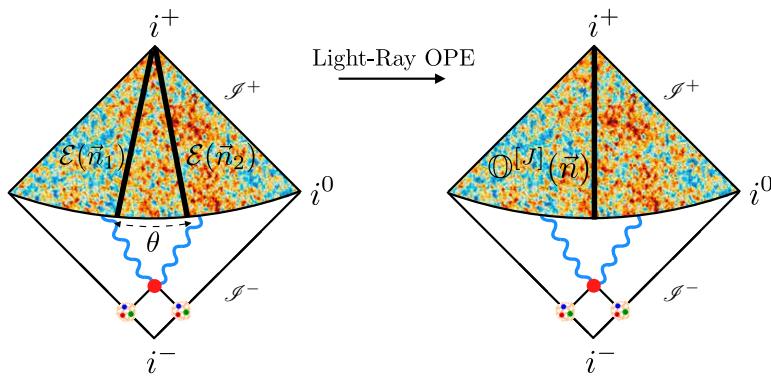
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$$\langle \Psi | \mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_1)\mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_2) | \Psi \rangle \sim \sum \theta^{\gamma_i} \mathcal{O}_i(\vec{n}_1)$$

[Hofman, Maldacena]  
[Chang, Kologlu, Kravchuk, Simmons Duffin, Zhiboedov]

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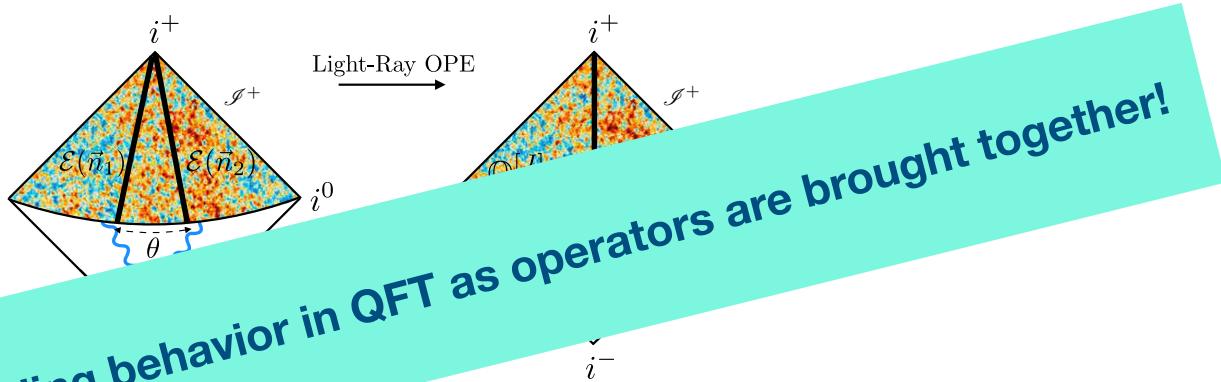
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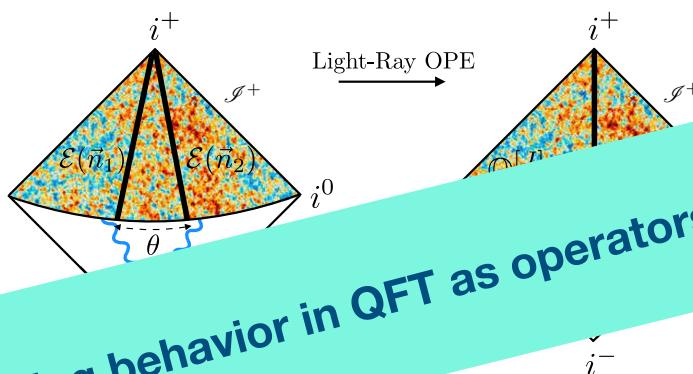
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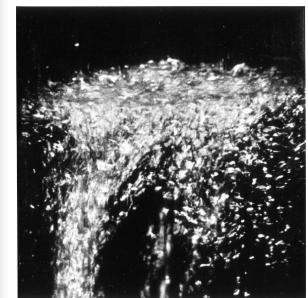
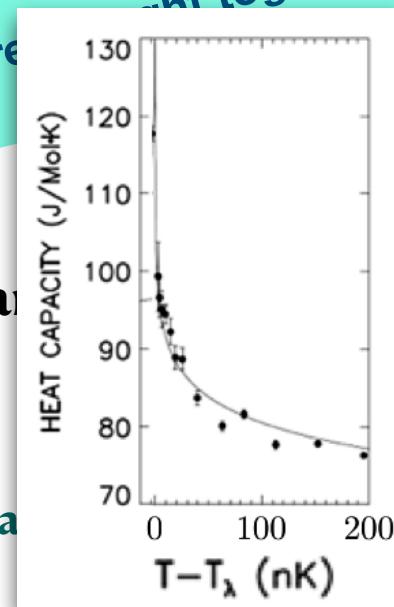
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- Energy correlators ... **Universal scaling behavior in QFT as operators are ...**

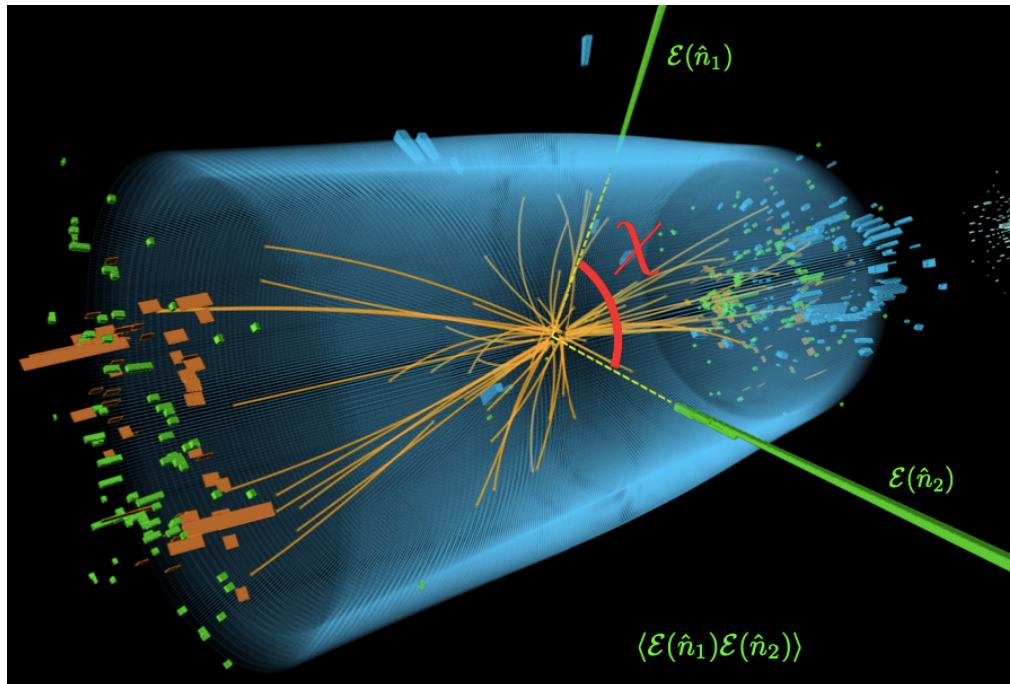
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# **Energy Correlators for Hadronic Final States at the LHC**

# Energy Correlator as an Observable

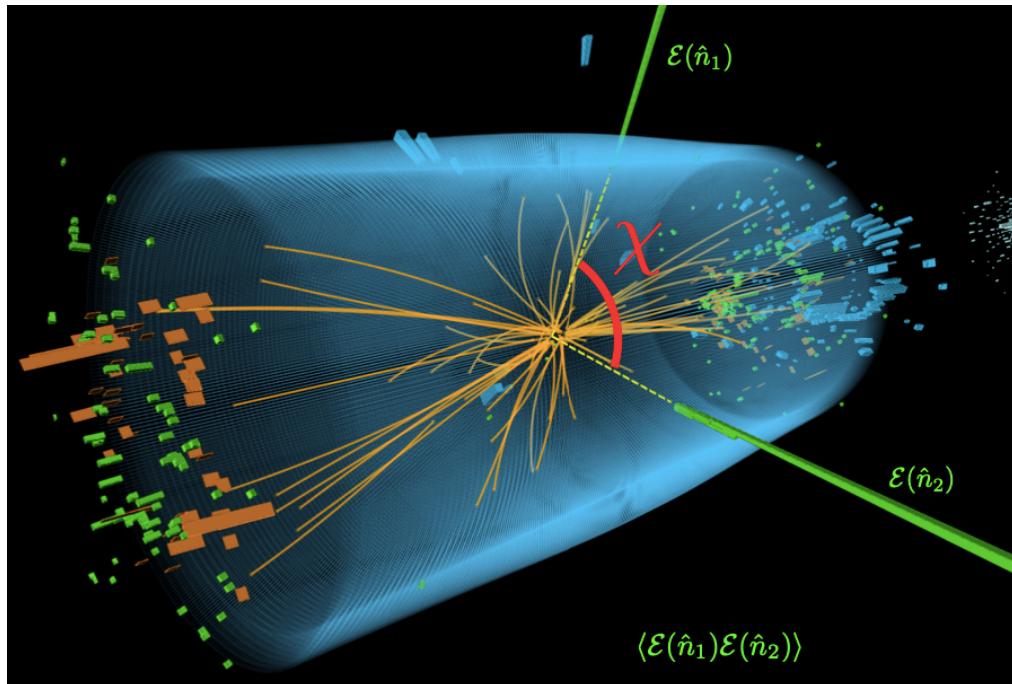


Energy weighted cross sections

$$\text{EEC} = \sum_{i,j} d\sigma \frac{2E_i E_j}{Q^2 \sigma_{\text{tot}}} \delta(\cos \theta_{ij} - \cos \chi)$$

Studied first in  $e^+e^-$  by [Basham, Brown, Ellis, Love]

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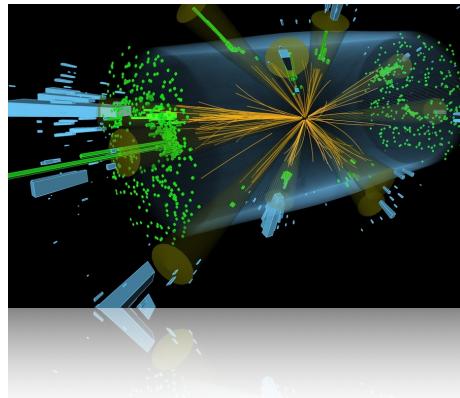


$$\text{EEC} = \sum_{i,j} d\sigma \frac{2E_i E_j}{Q^2 \sigma_{\text{tot}}} \delta(\cos \theta_{ij} - \cos \chi)$$

- Generally one can study EEC for any angle  $\chi$
- Most interesting phenomenological case:  $\chi \rightarrow 0$  and  $\chi \rightarrow \pi$
- Here we study  $\chi \rightarrow 0$  case.

# Factorization theorem

Can compute any higher point correlators on massive quarks at LHC at NLL



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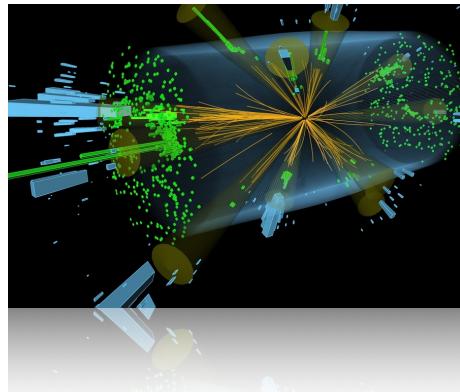
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[Craft, Lee, BM, Moult]

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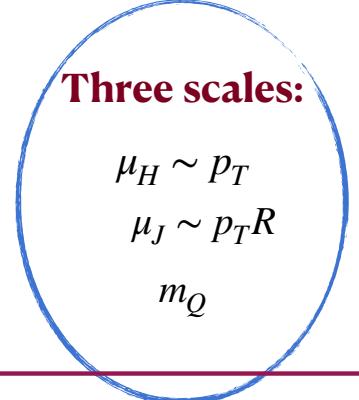
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- Factorization theorem derived within soft-collinear effective theory.

[Bauer, Fleming, Pirjol, Stewart]



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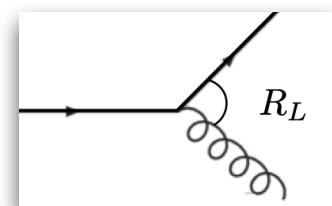
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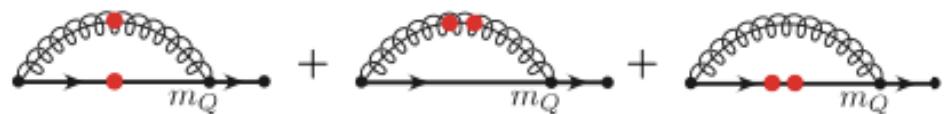
# Heavy Quark Jet Function

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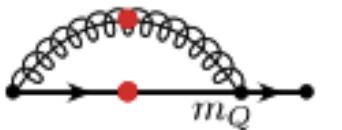
$$W_{n_i}^{(A)}(x) = P \exp \left[ ig_A t_A^a \int_{-\infty}^0 ds \bar{n}_i \cdot A_{n_i}^a(x + s\bar{n}_i) \right]$$

$$J_Q^{[N]} \left( R_L, m_Q \right) = \sum_X \sum_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_N \in X} \left\langle 0 \left| \bar{\chi}_n \right| X \right\rangle \frac{E_{i_1} E_{i_2} \cdots E_{i_N}}{p_T^N} \Theta \left( \max \left\{ \theta_{ij} \right\} < R_L \right) \left\langle X \left| \chi_n \right| 0 \right\rangle \quad \chi_{n_i}(x) = \frac{\not{q}_i \not{\bar{q}}_i}{4} W_{n_i}^\dagger(x) \psi(x)$$

At  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$  the jet function is described by the one-loop  $1 \rightarrow 2$  splitting of a quark weighted by the energy of each particle in the loop



# Heavy Quark Jet Function



$$\delta = \frac{im_Q}{p_T R_L}$$

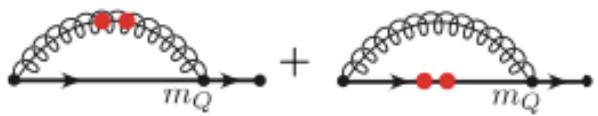
$$J_Q^{[N]}(R_L, m_Q)|_{R_L \neq 0} = \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{4\pi} \int dx \frac{2(1 - (1-x)^N - x^N) \left[ 2x^3 + (1+x^2)(x+\delta)(x+\bar{\delta}) \ln \frac{\delta\bar{\delta}}{(x+\delta)(x+\bar{\delta})} \right]}{(-1+x)(x+\delta)(x+\bar{\delta})}$$

$$J_Q^{[2]}|_{R_L \neq 0} = \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{4\pi} \left\{ \left[ \delta^4 - 4\delta^3 + 2\delta^2 - 3 \right] \ln \left( \frac{\delta}{1+\delta} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \left( 9\delta^2 + \frac{31}{6} \right) \right\} + c.c.,$$

$$J_Q^{[3]}|_{R_L \neq 0} = \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{4\pi} \left\{ \left[ \frac{3}{2}\delta^4 - 6\delta^3 + 3\delta^2 - \frac{9}{2} \right] \ln \left( \frac{\delta}{1+\delta} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{27}{2}\delta^2 + \frac{31}{4} \right) \right\} + c.c.,$$

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# Heavy Quark Jet Function



$$J_Q^{[2]}|_{R_L=0} = \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{4\pi} \left\{ -3 \left[ \frac{1}{\epsilon} + \ln \frac{\mu^2}{M^2} \right] - \frac{49}{6} \right\},$$

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$$J_Q^{[4]}|_{R_L=0} = \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{4\pi} \left\{ -\frac{83}{15} \left[ \frac{1}{\epsilon} + \ln \frac{\mu^2}{M^2} \right] - \frac{6611}{450} \right\},$$

$$\delta = \frac{im_Q}{p_T R_L}$$

- Mass regulates IR divergences!
- The remaining  $\frac{1}{\epsilon}$  poles are UV poles regulated by renormalization.

# Comparison with massless jet functions

## Two-point energy-energy correlator (EEC)

The mass should not affect the UV behavior of the jet function.

This can be seen from comparing the UV poles with the light quark jet function.

$$J_Q^{EEC}(z, M, \mu) = \delta(z) \left( 1 + \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{4\pi} \left[ -\left( \gamma_{qq}^{(0)}(3) + \gamma_{gq}^{(0)}(3) \right) \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon_{UV}} + \ln \frac{\mu^2}{M^2} \right) - \frac{19}{6} \right] \right) + \text{finite terms}$$

$$z = \frac{1 - \cos \theta_{ij}}{2}$$

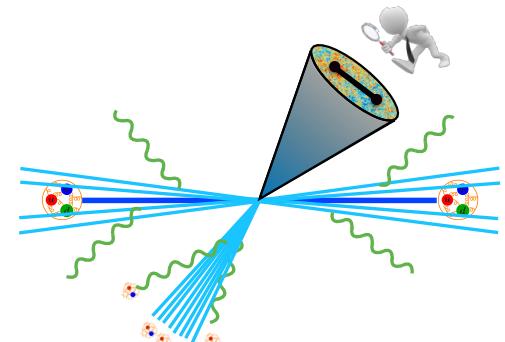
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$$\begin{pmatrix} P_{qq} & P_{qg} \\ P_{gq} & P_{gg} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{25}{6} C_F & -\frac{7}{15} n_f \\ -\frac{7}{6} C_F & \frac{14}{5} C_A + \frac{2}{3} n_f \end{pmatrix}$$

# Heavy quark jet function

## Result

$$J_Q^{EEC}(z, M, \mu) = \delta(z) \left( 1 + \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{4\pi} \left[ -\left( \gamma_{qq}^{(0)}(3) + \gamma_{gq}^{(0)}(3) \right) \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon_{UV}} + \ln \frac{\mu^2}{M^2} \right) - \frac{19}{6} \right] \right) \\ + \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{\pi} \frac{1}{z} \left[ \frac{3}{4} - \frac{5}{2} \delta^2 - \frac{\delta^4}{1 + \delta^2} + 3\delta^3 \arctan \left( \frac{1}{\delta} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \delta^2 (1 - \delta^2) \ln \frac{\delta^2}{1 + \delta^2} \right]$$



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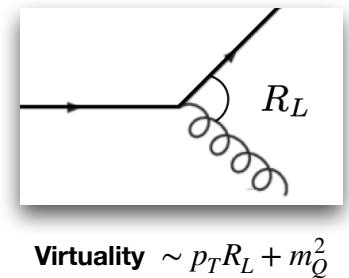
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# Massive jets

**Massive Energy Correlator Jet Function**

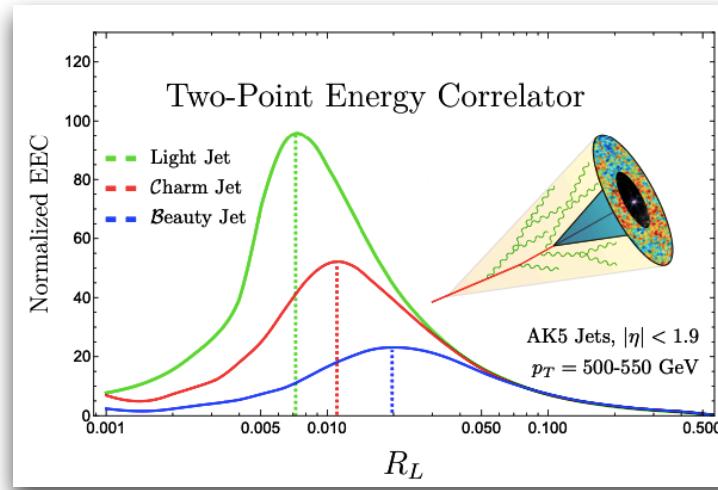
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Hard function



**Virtuality**  $\sim p_T R_L + m_Q^2$

- **Formation time changes with the mass of the quark.**
- **Can clearly see this from the two-point EEC.**

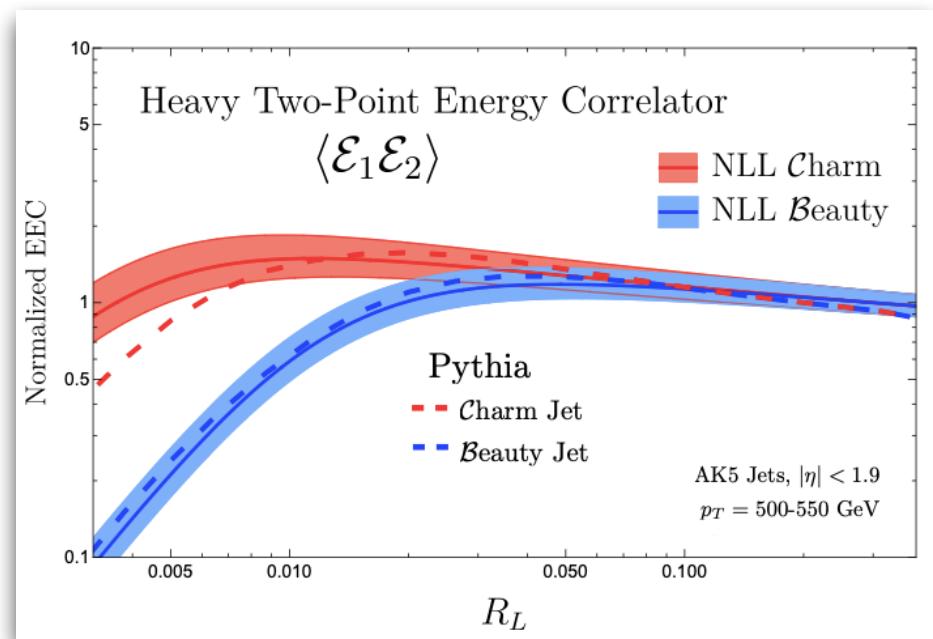


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# Massive two point correlator

## A massive jet substructure observable at NLL

- Scaling behaviour identical to massless case for larger scales.
- A turn-over for  $R_L \rightarrow m_Q/p_T$
- The change in the slope is perturbative effect contrary to massless jets:  
 $R_L \rightarrow \Lambda_{QCD}/p_T$
- The turn-over region is of interest for improving heavy quark description in parton shower.



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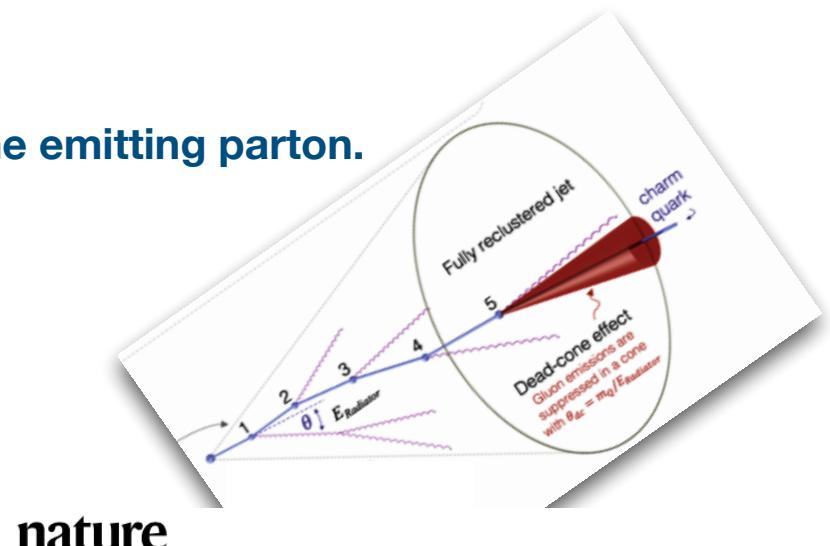
# Dead-cone effect in QCD

## Fundamental phenomena

- Parton-shower pattern depends on the mass of the emitting parton.
- Angular suppression  $\propto \frac{M}{E}$ .

Observable used for the observation of the dead-cone effect in LHC data

$$R(\theta) = \frac{1}{N^{D^0} \text{jets}} \frac{dn^{D^0} \text{jets}}{d\ln(1/\theta)} / \left. \frac{1}{N^{\text{inclusive jets}}} \frac{dn^{\text{inclusive jets}}}{d\ln(1/\theta)} \right|_{k_T, E_{\text{Radiator}}}$$



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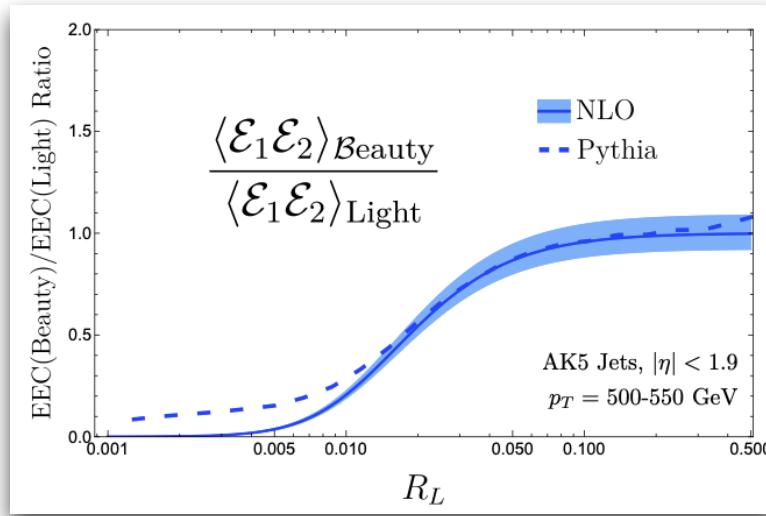
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## Direct observation of the dead-cone effect in quantum chromodynamics

[ALICE Collaboration](#)

# Intrinsic mass effects

## Dead-cone effect

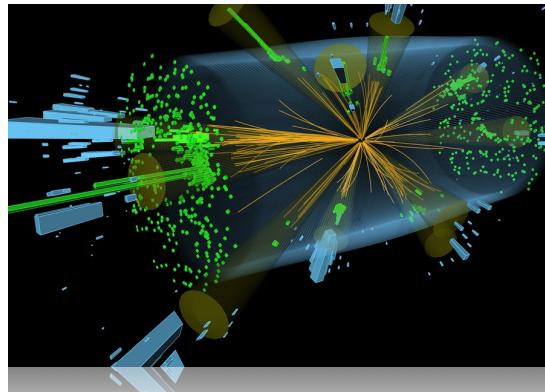


[Craft, Lee, BM, Moult]

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- A transition region related to the quark mass: perturbatively calculable.
- Excellent agreement with MC.
- Small angle suppression can be interpreted as a dead-cone effect.

# Energy Correlators for light quarks

## Factorization Formula



$$\frac{d\Sigma}{dp_T d\eta dz} = \sum_i \mathcal{H}_i(p_T, \eta, \mu) \otimes \int_0^1 dx x^N \mathcal{J}_{ij}(z, x, p_T R, \mu) J_j^{[N]}(z, x, \mu)$$

Hard function: includes pdfs

Matching coefficient, jet algorithm

Can calculate any higher point correlator at the LHC

$$z = \frac{1 - \cos \theta_{ij}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{2E_i}{Q}$$

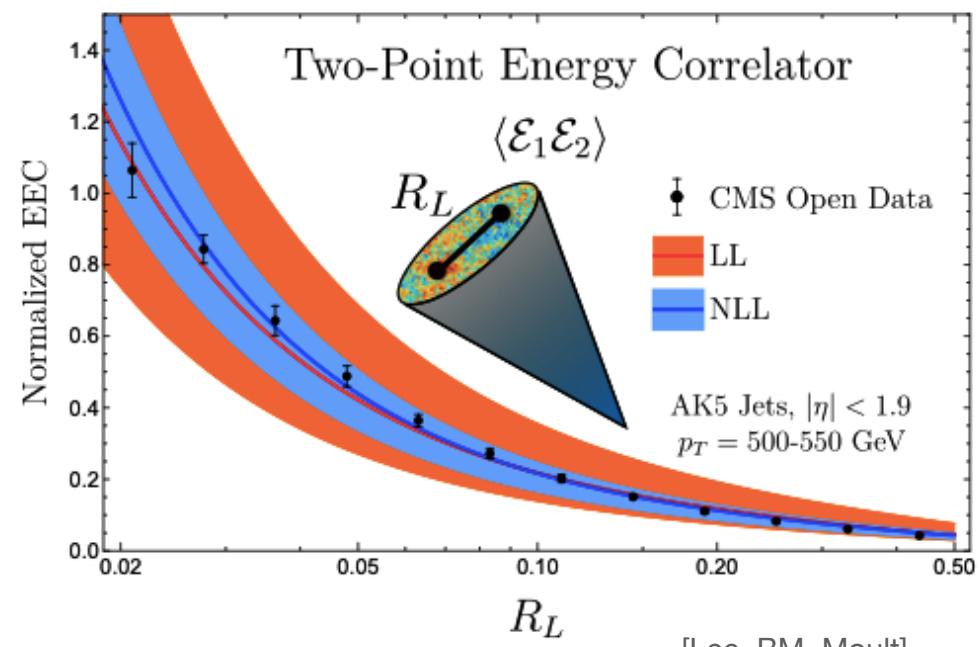
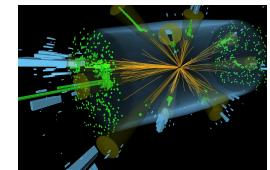
Energy correlator jet function

[Lee, BM, Moult]

# Two-point energy correlator

## The simplest jet substructure observable

- The complicated LHC environment is described by a simple observable!
- Probe the OPE structure of  $\langle \epsilon(\vec{n}_1) \epsilon(\vec{n}_2) \rangle$   
 $\langle \Psi | \epsilon(\vec{n}_1) \epsilon(\vec{n}_2) | \Psi \rangle \sim \sum \theta^{\gamma_i} \mathcal{O}_i(\vec{n}_1)$
- A jet substructure observable that can test quantum scaling behavior of operators.



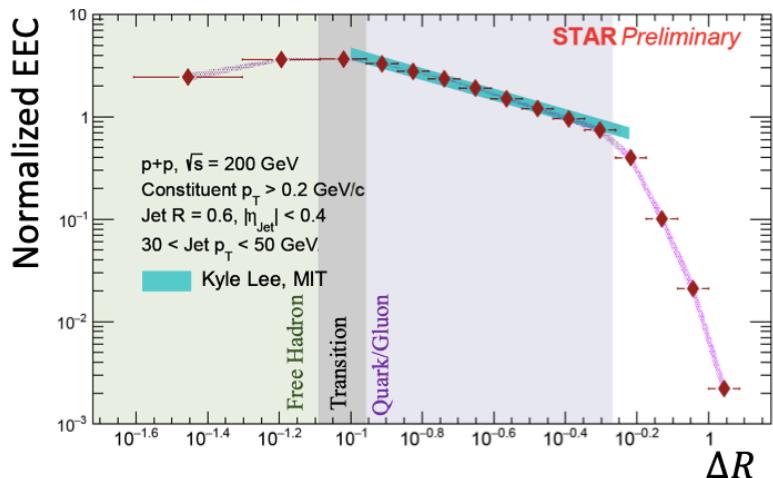
# Experimental results



Talk by N.Sahoo and A.Tamis at  
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- STAR collaboration  $\sqrt{s} = 200\text{GeV}$

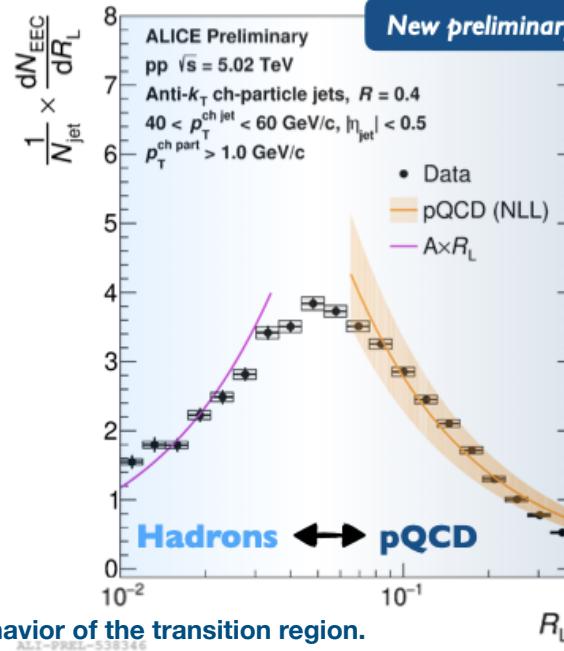


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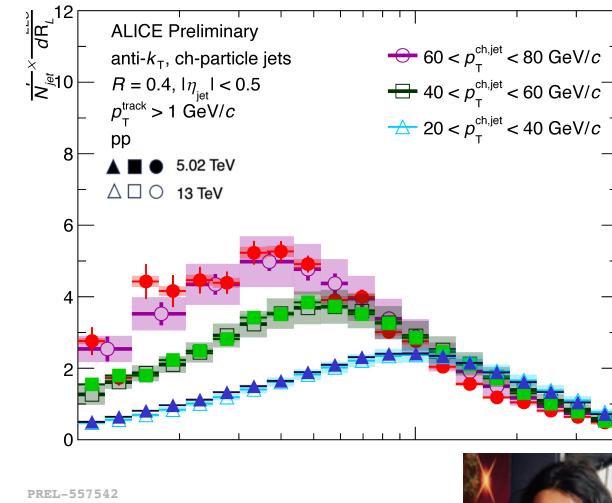
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Preliminary results from Ananya Rai

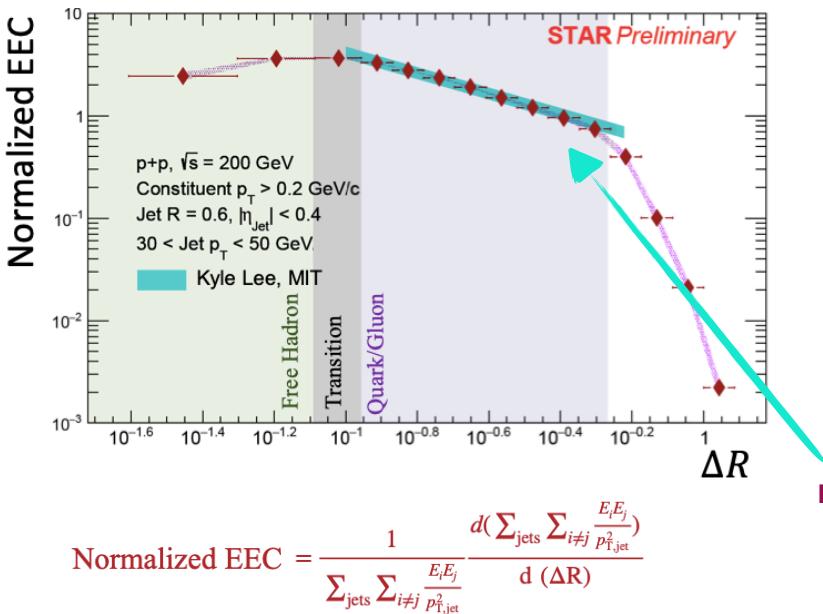


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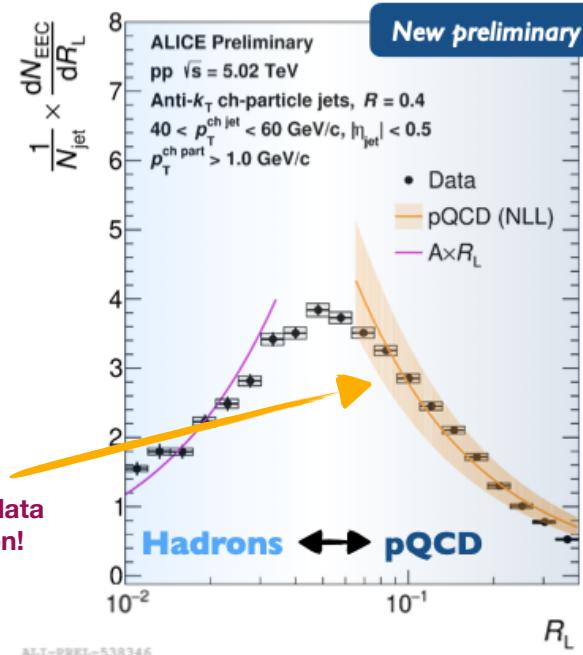


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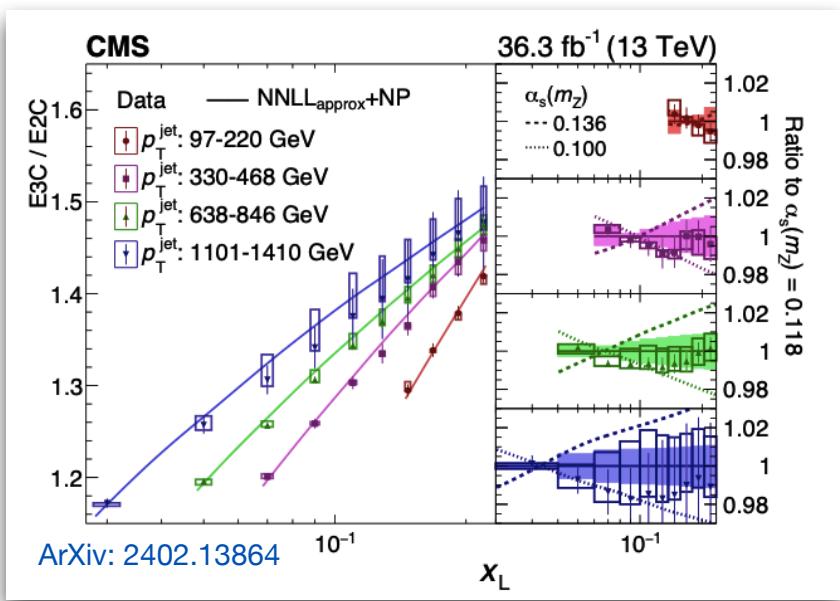
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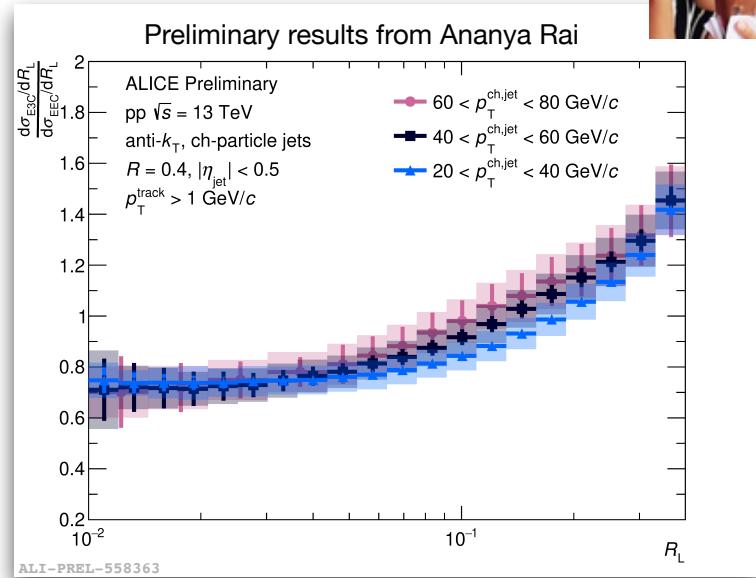
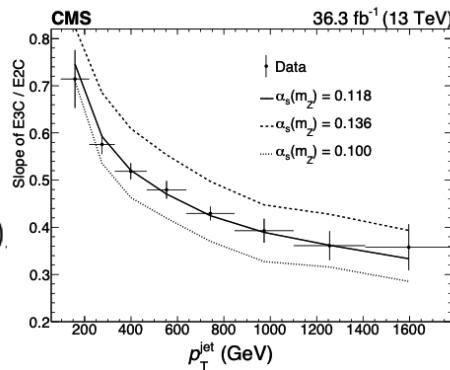
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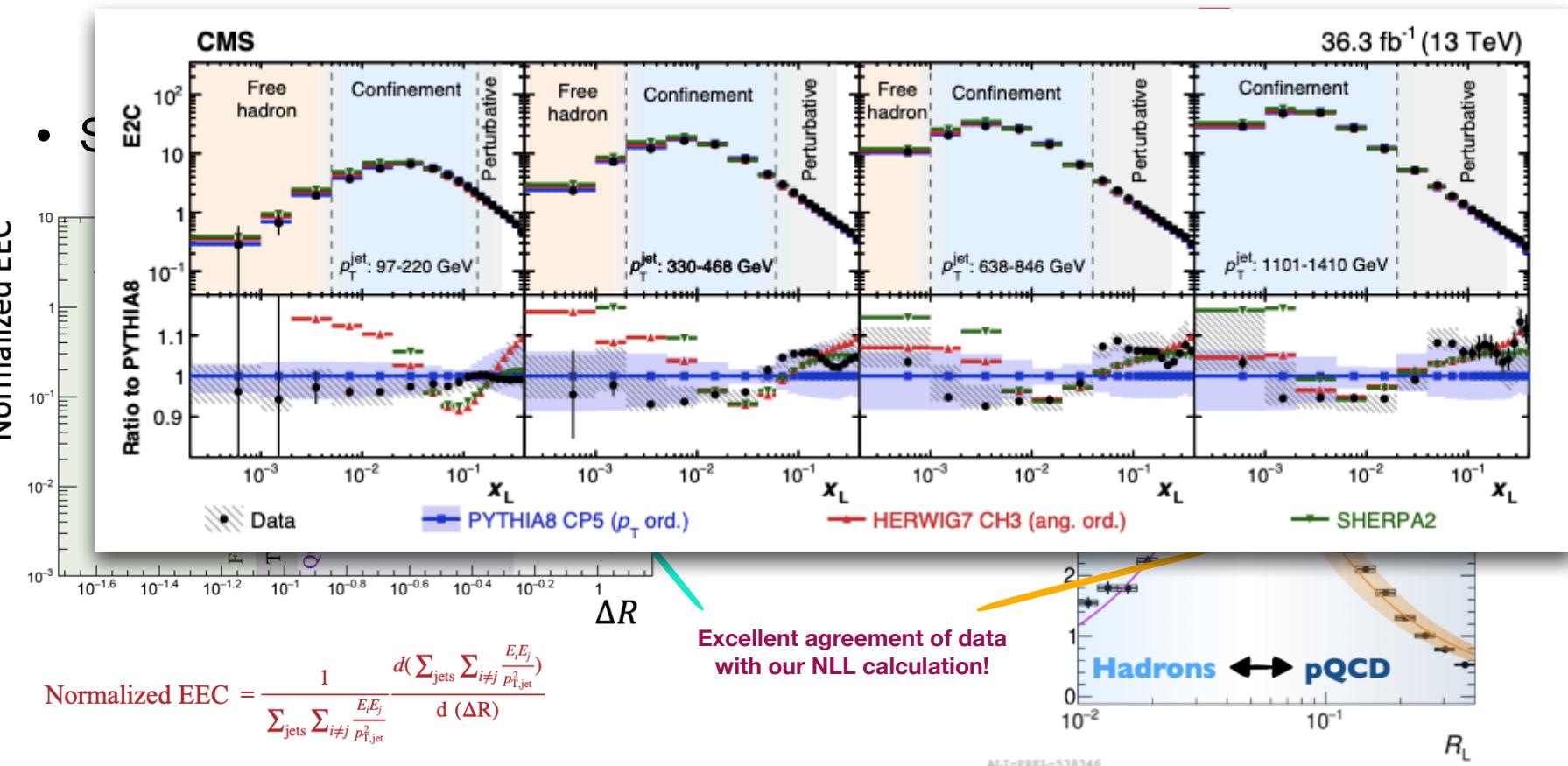
**Extraction  
of the strong coupling**

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



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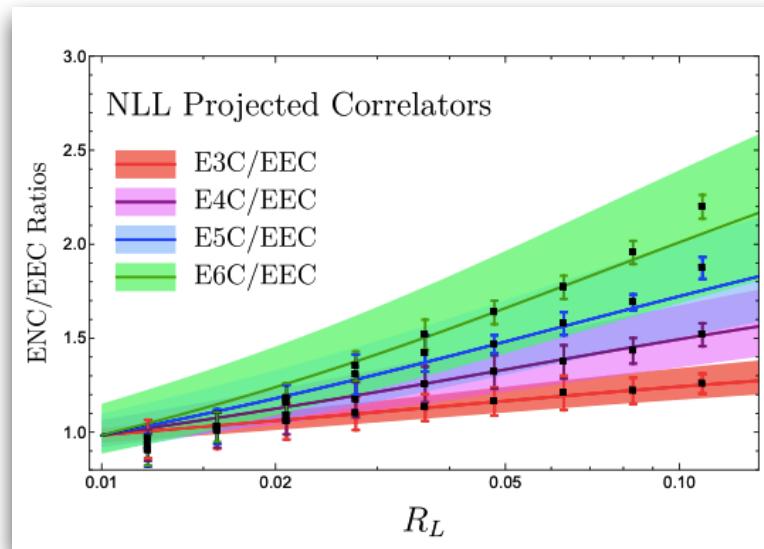
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# Higher point correlators



# The light-ray OPE

- The leading scaling behavior at the LHC is described by the leading terms in the OPE: **twist two light-ray operators**.
- Light-ray OPE is a rigorous and convergent expansion in CFT.

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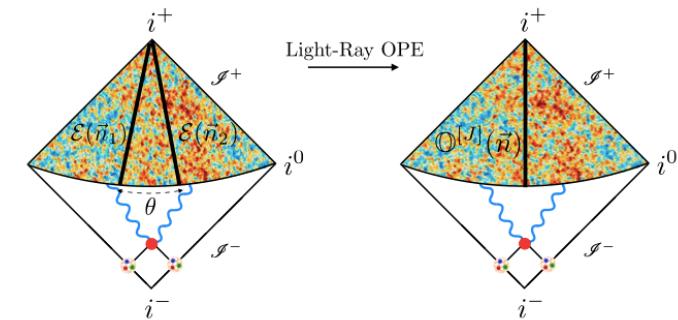
$$\langle \varepsilon(\vec{n}_1) \varepsilon(\vec{n}_2) \cdots \varepsilon(\vec{n}_k) \rangle = \frac{1}{R_L^2} \left\{ f_q^{[k]}(u_i, v_i) \mathbb{O}_q^{[k+1]}(\vec{n}_1) + f_g^{[k]}(u_i, v_i) \mathbb{O}_g^{[k+1]}(\vec{n}_1) \right\} + \mathcal{O}(R_L^0)$$

$$u_i = \left( \frac{x_{i_1 i_2} x_{i_3 i_4}}{x_{i_1 i_3} x_{i_2 i_4}} \right)^2 \quad v_i = \left( \frac{x_{i_1 i_2} x_{i_3 i_4}}{x_{i_1 i_4} x_{i_2 i_3}} \right)^2$$

[Hofman, Maldacena]

$$\vec{\mathbb{O}}^{[J]} = \left( \mathbb{O}_q^{[J]}, \mathbb{O}_g^{[J]} \right)^T = \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} r^2 \int_0^\infty dt \vec{\mathcal{O}}^{[J]}(t, r\vec{n})$$

[Chang, Kologlu, Kravchuk, Simmons Duffin, Zhiboedov]



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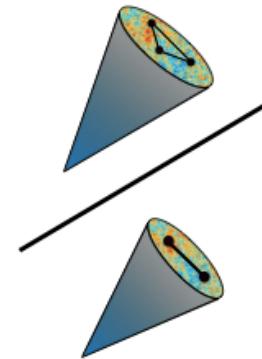
Unpolarized

Polarized

# Unpolarized Scaling

## LHC scenario

- Probe the unpolarized spin  $j = 0$  operators
  - The leading scaling behavior is determined by the anomalous dimension  $\gamma(N + 1)$  for an operator of spin  $N + 1$ .
- can isolate the anomalous dimensions!

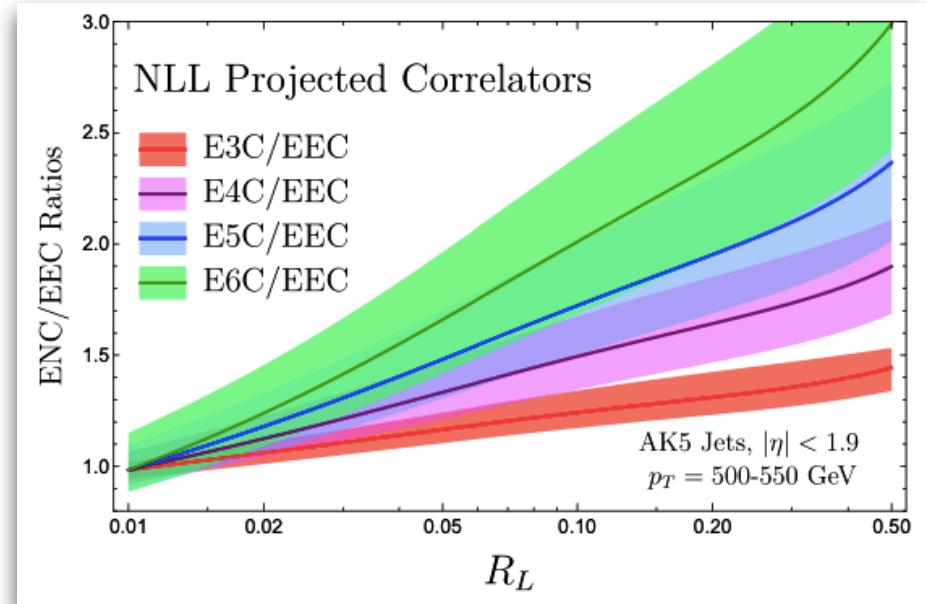


$$\frac{\langle \mathcal{E}_1 \mathcal{E}_2 \dots \mathcal{E}_{J-1} \rangle}{\langle \mathcal{E}_1 \mathcal{E}_2 \rangle} \sim \frac{\langle \mathbb{O}^{[J]} \rangle}{\langle \mathbb{O}^{[3]} \rangle}$$

# The jet spectrum

## Higher-point correlators

- Asymptotic energy flux directly probes the spectrum of (twist-2) lightray operators at the quantum level
- Ratio of the higher-point correlators with the two-point isolates anomalous scaling!
- The anomalous scaling behavior depends on N (slope increases with N)
- First hand probe of the anomalous dimensions of QCD operators.



[Lee, BM, Moult]

[Chen, Moult, Zhang, Zhu]

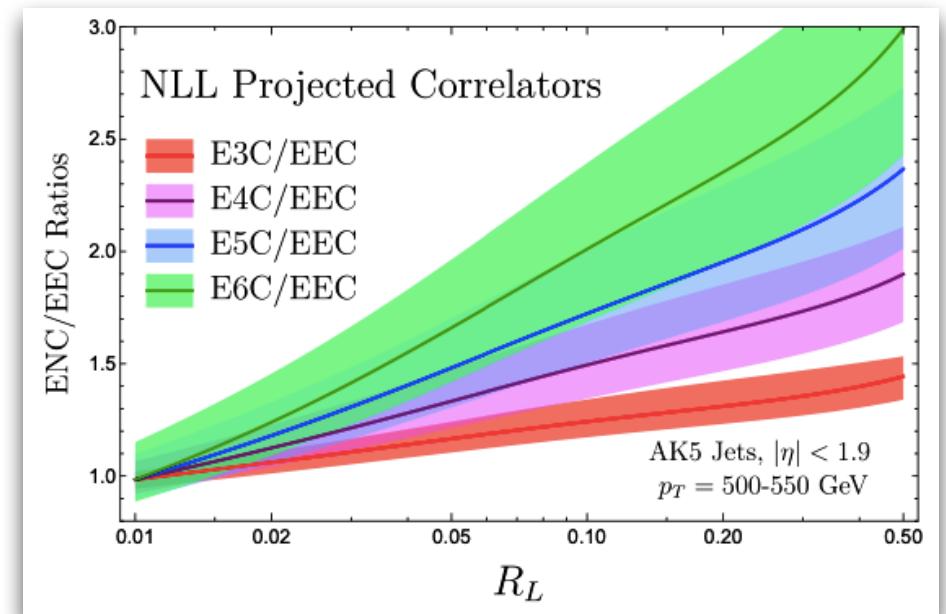
# The jet spectrum

## Higher-point correlators

- Non-perturbative effects cancel in the ratio
- A clean measurement of strong coupling

$$\theta^r \rightarrow \exp\left(\frac{\hat{\gamma}}{2\beta_0} \ln \frac{\alpha_s(\theta Q)}{\alpha_s(Q)}\right)$$

- Can be observed at the high energies at the LHC at high precision



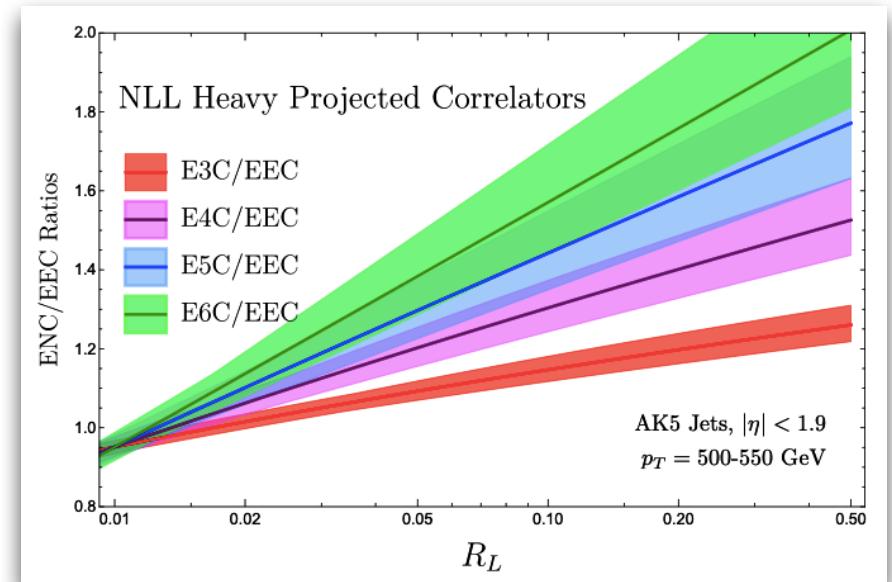
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# Heavy Projected Energy Correlators

Resolve the UV scaling behaviour

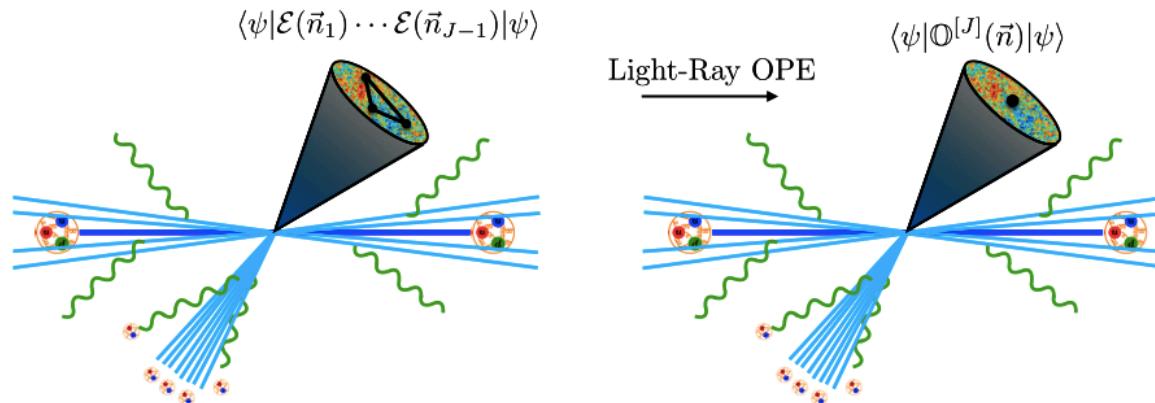
- Ratios of higher point correlators with the two point EEC are independent of IR effects, including quark mass.
- The exact behavior as the massless case.
- Non-trivial cross check of the factorization theorem!
- Anomalous dimensions should not be affected by the IR physics.



[Craft, Lee, BM, Moult]

# Jet substructure from first principles!

- Energy correlator is a jet substructure observable defined from first principles in QFT  
⇒ No ambiguity between what is measured and the theory calculation.



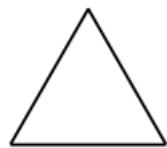
- Formalism can be applied for any conserved charge for LHC processes.
- No jet grooming or pruning is needed to extract the final results, pure QFT calculation!
- Not sensitive to soft and wide angle radiations.

# Higher point correlators in $1 \rightarrow 3$ splittings

## Shape dependance

- Different “shapes” for higher point functions are distinguished by different physics.
- It is interesting to probe such shape dependance.
- First time calculated in the context of cosmological three point function.

[Maldacena and Pimentel]



Equilateral



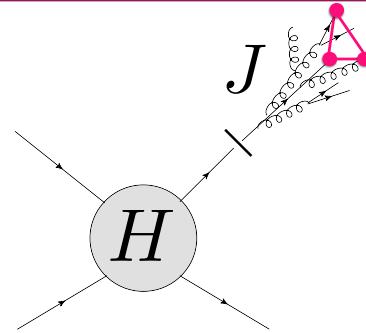
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Flattened/Collapsed

# Higher Point Splittings

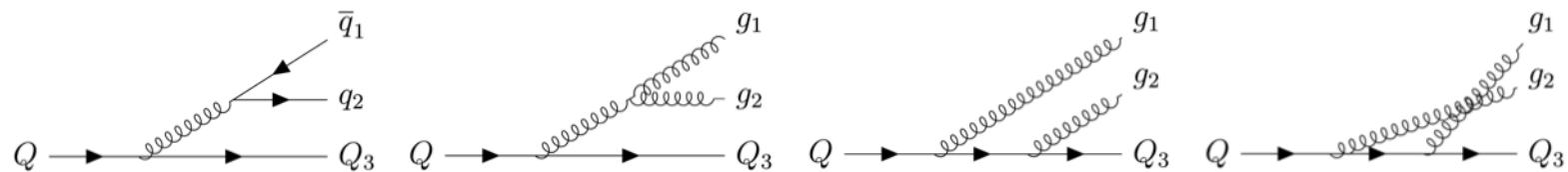
$$\frac{1}{\sigma_{\text{tot}}} \frac{d\sigma}{dz} = \frac{\int d^4x e^{iq \cdot x} \left\langle \mathcal{O}(x) \epsilon(\vec{n}_1) \epsilon(\vec{n}_2) \epsilon(\vec{n}_3) \mathcal{O}^\dagger(0) \right\rangle}{\int d^4x e^{iq \cdot x} \left\langle \mathcal{O}(x) \mathcal{O}^\dagger(0) \right\rangle}$$



$$\frac{1}{\sigma_{\text{tot}}} \frac{d^3\Sigma}{dx_1 dx_2 dx_3} = \sum_{i,j,k} \int \frac{E_i E_j E_k}{Q^3} d\sigma \delta\left(x_1 - \frac{1 - \cos \theta_{ij}}{2}\right) \delta\left(x_2 - \frac{1 - \cos \theta_{jk}}{2}\right) \delta\left(x_3 - \frac{1 - \cos \theta_{kl}}{2}\right).$$

- Presence of a mass term: analytic integration becomes more complex.
- At the same time more interesting analytic structures to study.

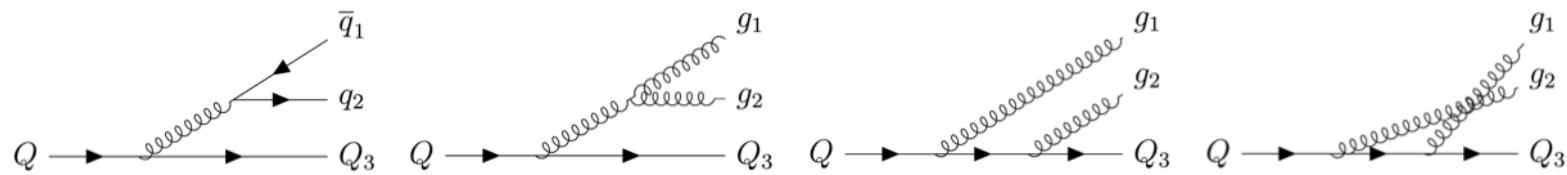
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Source of non-trivial elliptic structure  
Other cases are multi-polylogs!

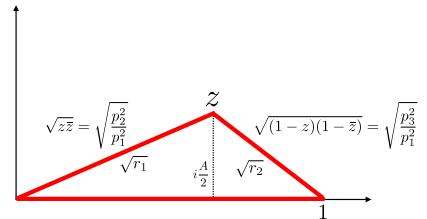
[Dhani, Rodrigo, Sborlini]

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**Elliptic Integrals!**

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- The final result for the three-point massive EEC takes the compact form:

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- Kernel Basis:

$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{P_4}}, \quad \int \frac{\xi}{\sqrt{P_4}}, \quad \int \frac{\xi^2}{\sqrt{P_4}}, \quad \int \frac{1}{(\xi - p)\sqrt{P_4}}$$

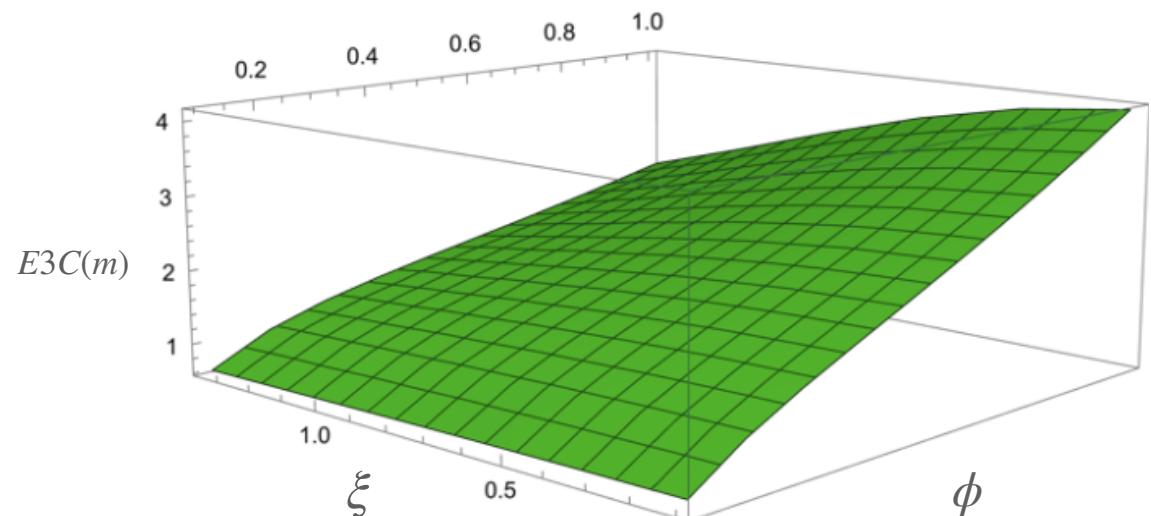
$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_1(c, x, \vec{a}) &= \frac{1}{x - c}, \\ \Psi_{-1}(c, x, \vec{a}) &= \frac{y_c}{y(x - c)} + Z_4(c, \vec{a}) \frac{c_4}{y}, \\ \Psi_1(\infty, x, \vec{a}) &= -Z_4(x, \vec{a}) \frac{c_4}{y}, \\ \Psi_{-1}(\infty, x, \vec{a}) &= \frac{x}{y} - \frac{1}{y} [a_1 + 2c_4 G_*(\vec{a})], \end{aligned}$$

[Broedel, Duhr, Dulat, Penante, Tancredi]

# Numerical results

## Non-Gaussianity for the massive case

- Probe effects of the splitting functions for massive particles.
- Small angle: little difference between  $1 \rightarrow 2$  and  $1 \rightarrow 3$  splitting
- Non-Gaussianity more pronounced for larger  $\xi$

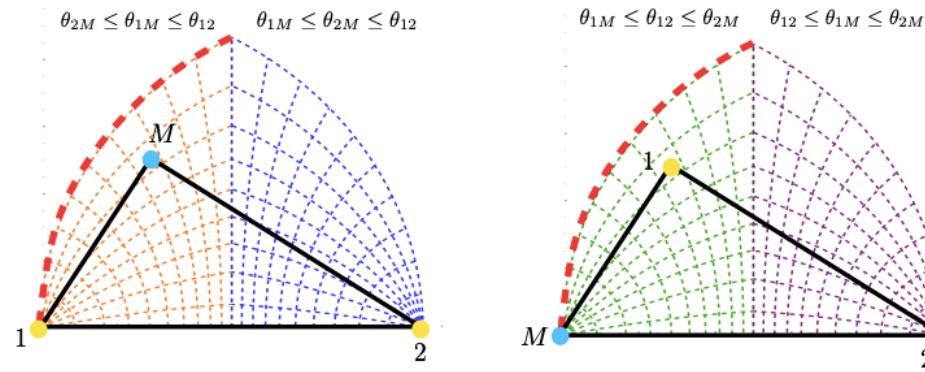


# Isolating Mass Effects at Higher Points

- Different types of detector combinations

$$\langle \mathcal{E} \mathcal{E} \mathcal{E}_M \rangle, \quad \langle \mathcal{E} \mathcal{E}_M \mathcal{E}_M \rangle, \quad \langle \mathcal{E}_M \mathcal{E}_M \mathcal{E}_M \rangle, \quad \langle \mathcal{E}_{M'} \mathcal{E}_{M'} \mathcal{E}_M \rangle.$$

- We isolate the case with two identical detectors and one massive one

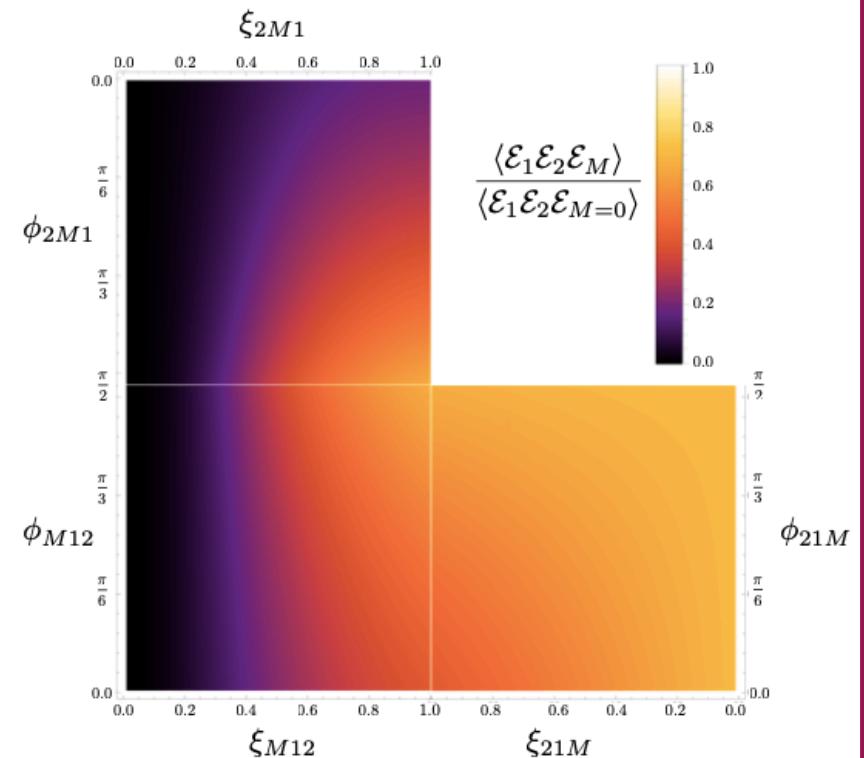


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$$\xi = \frac{\theta_s}{\theta_m}, \quad \phi = \arcsin \sqrt{1 - \frac{(\theta_l - \theta_m)^2}{\theta_s^2}},$$

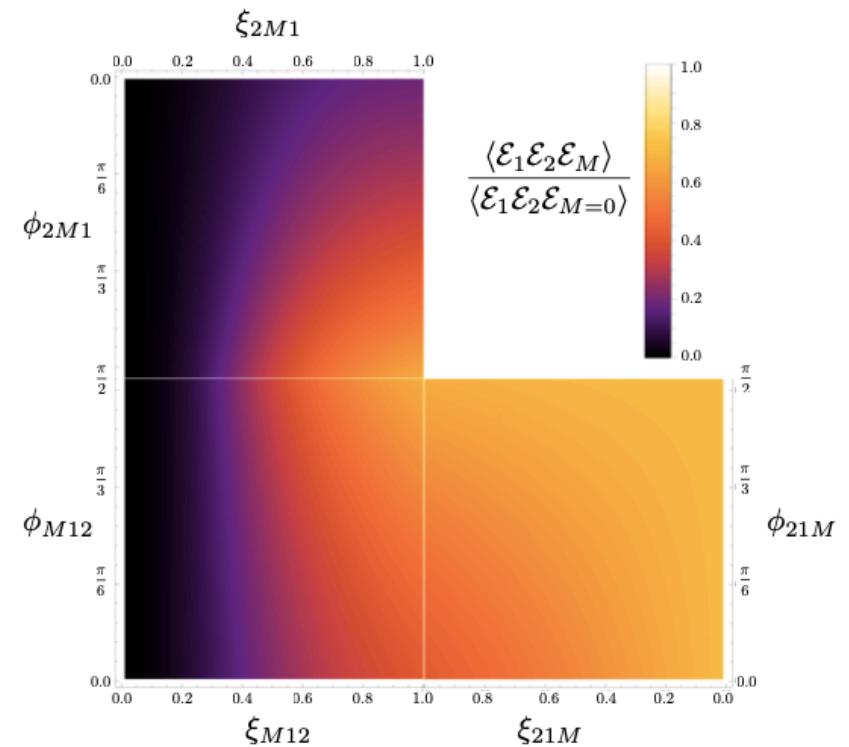


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# Future Prospects

- Jet modeling in MC simulations: heavy flavours
- Precision in parton showers: “reference resummation” for testing DGLAP finite moments.
- Understand properties of the QGP: multi-scale problem too, global properties of plasma.

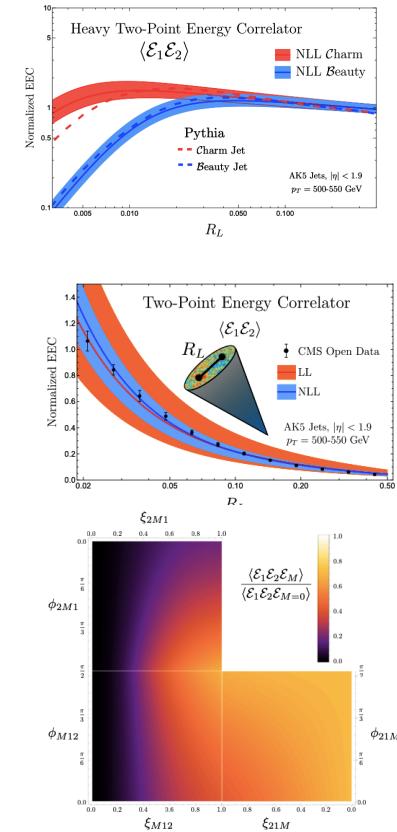
[Andres, Dominguez, Kunnnawalkam Elayawalli, Holguin, Marquet, Moult,...]

# Conclusions

- Factorization formula for calculating EEC for jet substructure at the LHC.

$$\Sigma^{[N]} \left( R_L, p_T^2, m_Q, \mu \right) = \int_0^1 dx x^N \vec{J}^{[N]} \left( R_L, x, m_Q, \mu \right) \cdot \vec{H} \left( x, p_T^2, \mu \right)$$

- Intrinsic mass effects of strongly interacting elementary particles.
- Observation of a scale dependance in asymptotic data using EEC
- Higher-point correlators can be calculated for LHC and probe anomalous scaling dimension of QCD operators.
- Experimental Results confirm the theory calculation.
- Exciting applications in different systems in QCD and Heavy Ions



**Thank You!**