

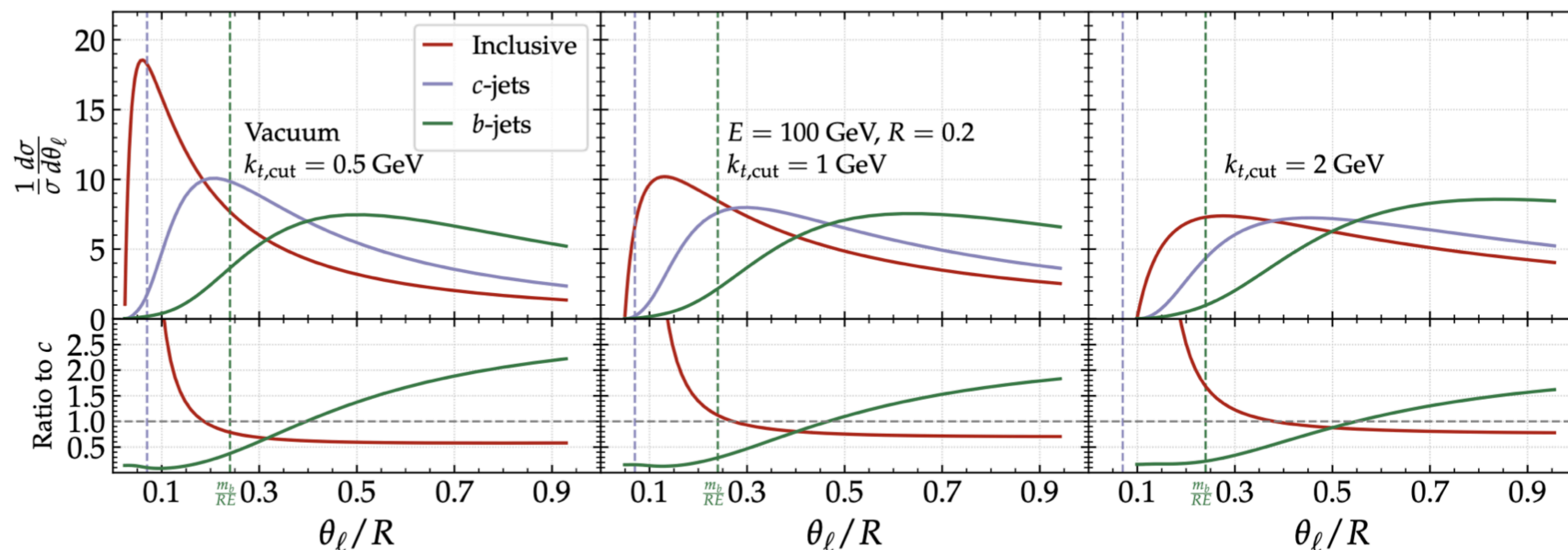
What to measure

γ/Z jet substructure with $x_J \rightarrow 0$ to suppress survivor bias. Substructure measurement differentially in bins of x_J (I've already explained why in my previous talk)

Jet substructure of heavy flavours. In particular, use the dead cone as a clean window where to isolate and characterize QGP-induced signal. [*Phys.Rev.D* 107 \(2023\) 9](#)

The dead cone in heavy-ion collisions using the jet tree

vacuum



Select **collinear** and **perturbative** splittings of heavy flavour-tagged jets

Collinear (enhance sensitivity to quark mass effects)

Perturbative (suppress hadronisation)

Measure their angular distribution

Collinear splittings resilient against combinatorial background

$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{d\theta_\ell} = \frac{1}{1 - \Sigma(R)} \int_0^1 dz \mathcal{P}_i(z, \theta_\ell) \Theta(z\theta_\ell - \bar{k}_{t,cut}) \Sigma(\theta_\ell),$$

Proof of principle: analytical vacuum calculation at modified leading log accuracy

Clear separation power for inclusive, c and b jets

$k_{T,cut}$ can be optimized: separation power vs suppression of hadronisation

Dashed lines indicate position of the dead cone angle of the first splitting of the jet tree

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Interesting interplay of scales

$$\theta_C < \theta < \theta_{dead}$$

with θ_C the minimal decoherence angle $\theta_C \approx 1/\sqrt{(\hat{q}L^3)}$

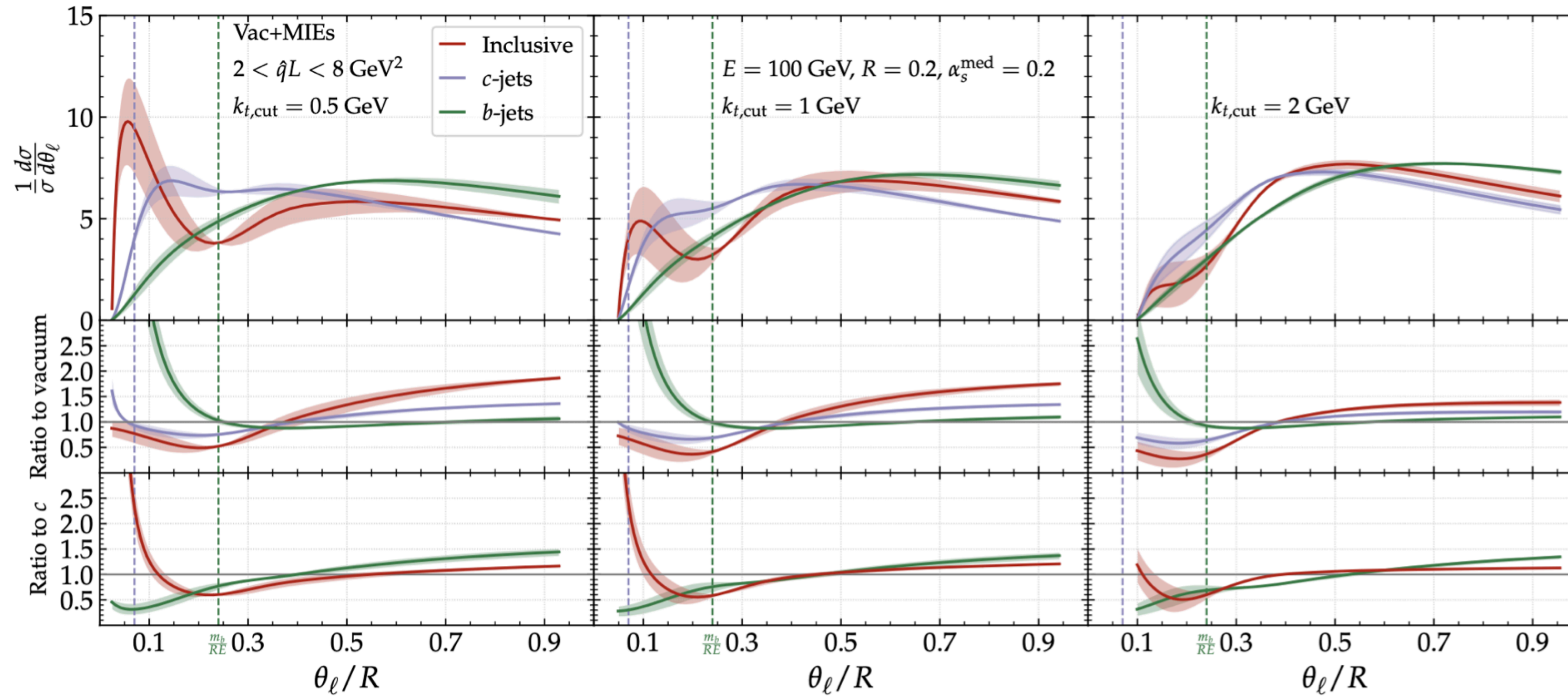
The dead cone angle needs to be wider than the decoherence angle for it to be filled with medium emission

For our choice of parameters, kinematic cuts and approximations:

minimum dead cone angle for D remains intact $\theta_{dead}^{charm} < \theta_C$
minimum dead cone angle for B gets filled $\theta_{dead}^{beauty} > \theta_C$

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medium



$$\theta_C < \theta < \theta_{dead}$$

QGP-induced signal is expected to fill the dead cone for b-jets. Detectable signal!