

Collider Physics :

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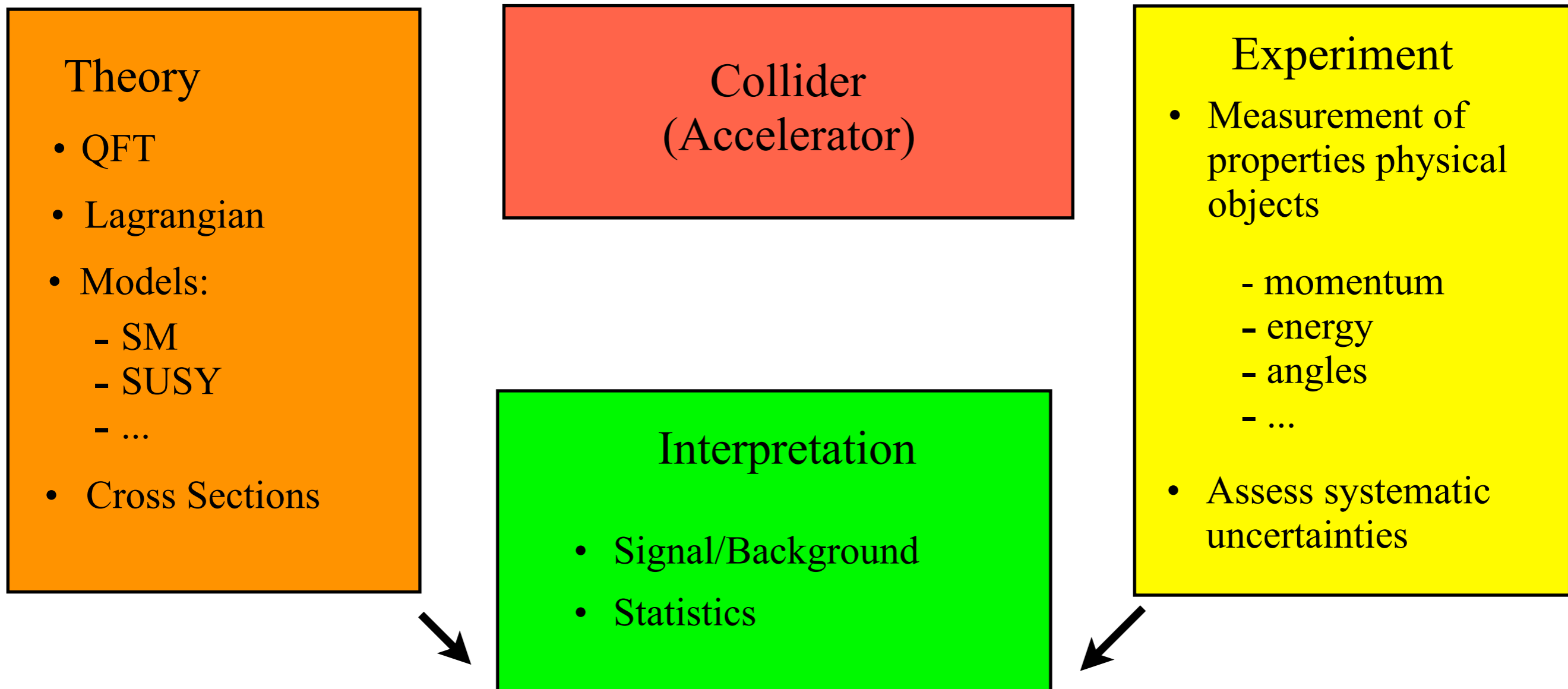
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Collider Physics

The purpose of collider physics is to test theoretical predictions experimentally in a controllable environment



Collider	Site	Initial State	Energy	Discovery / Target
SPEAR	SLAC	e^+e^-	4 GeV	charm quark, tau lepton
PETRA	DESY	e^+e^-	38 GeV	gluon
SppS	CERN	$p\bar{p}$	600 GeV	W, Z bosons
LEP	CERN	e^+e^-	210 GeV	SM: elw and QCD
SLC	SLAC	e^+e^-	90 GeV	elw SM
HERA	DESY	ep	320 GeV	quark/gluon structure of proton
Tevatron	FNAL	$p\bar{p}$	2 TeV	top quark
BaBar / Belle	SLAC / KEK	e^+e^-	10 GeV	quark mix / CP violation
LHC	CERN	pp	7/8/14 TeV	Higgs boson, elw. sb, New Physics
ILC		e^+e^-	> 200 GeV	hi. res of elw sb / Higgs couplings
CLIC		e^+e^-	3 - 5 TeV	hi. res of elw sb / Higgs couplings
FCC		pp	100 TeV	disc. multi-TeV physics

The reach of collider facilities

$A + B \rightarrow M$ production in 2-particle collisions: $M^2 = (p_1 + p_2)^2$

fixed target:

$$p_1 \simeq (E, 0, 0, E)$$

$$p_2 = (m, 0, 0, 0)$$

$$M \simeq \sqrt{2mE}$$

before



after



root increase in M

- root E law: large energy loss in E_{kin}
- dense target: large collision rate / luminosity

collider target:

$$p_1 = (E, 0, 0, E)$$

$$p_2 = (E, 0, 0, -E)$$

$$M \simeq 2E$$

before



after



- linear E law: no energy loss
- less dense bunches: small collision rates

Collider characteristics

Energy: ranges from a few GeV to several TeV (LHC)

Luminosity: measures the rate of particles in colliding bunches

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{N_1 N_2 f}{A}$$

$N_i =$ number of particles in bunches

$A =$ transverse bunch area

$f =$ bunch collision rate

$\mathcal{L}\sigma =$ observed rate for process with cross section σ

LHC (targeted): $\mathcal{L} = 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1} \rightarrow 300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ in 3 years

Circular vs linear collider:

charged particles in circular motion: permanently accelerated towards center \rightarrow emitting photons as synchrotron light

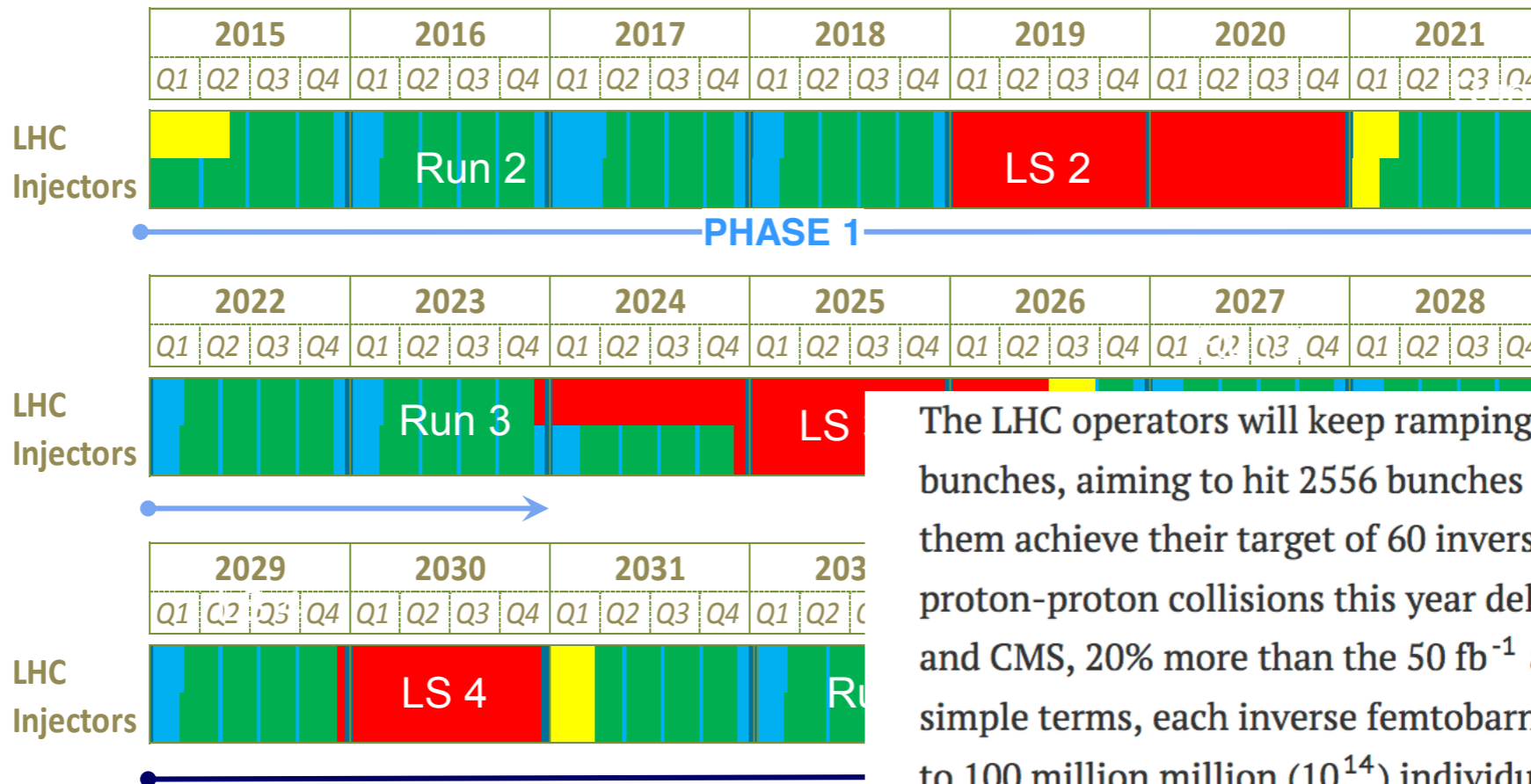
$$\Delta E \sim E^4 / R$$

- large loss of energy [hypothetical TeV collider at LEP: $\Delta E \simeq E$ per turn]
- no-more sharp initial state energy

LHC schedule

LHC roadmap: according to MTP 2016-2020 V1

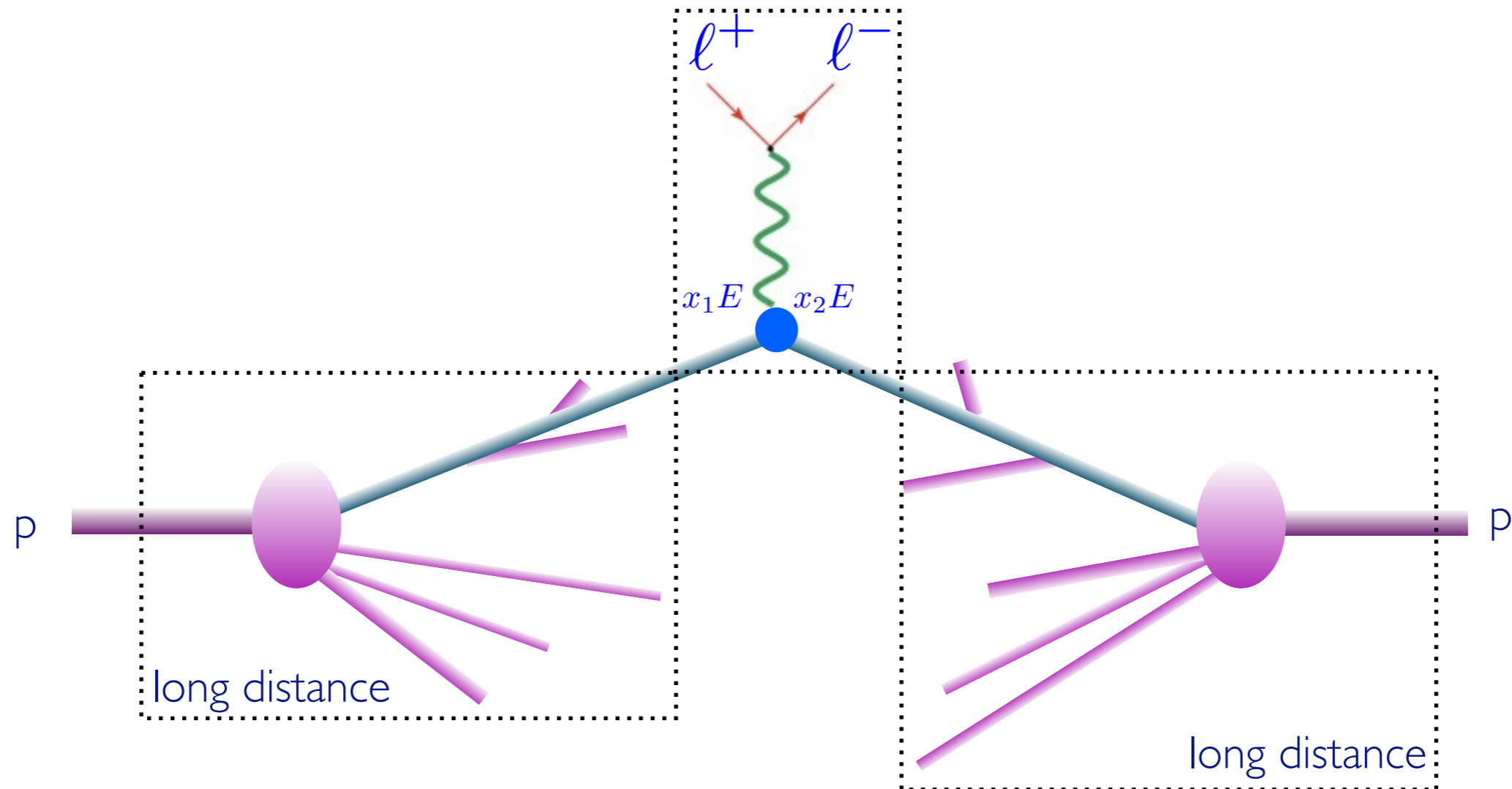
LS2 starting in 2019 => 24 months + 3 months BC
 LS3 LHC: starting in 2024 => 30 months + 3 months BC
 Injectors: in 2025 => 13 months + 3 months BC



The LHC operators will keep ramping up the number of bunches, aiming to hit 2556 bunches in total. This will help them achieve their target of 60 inverse femtobarns (fb^{-1}) of proton-proton collisions this year delivered to both ATLAS and CMS, 20% more than the 50 fb^{-1} achieved in 2017. In simple terms, each inverse femtobarn can correspond to up to 100 million million (10^{14}) individual collisions between protons. The proton-proton run will be followed by the first heavy-ion run since 2016; the LHC will inject and collide lead nuclei at the end of the year.



LHC master formula



$$\sigma_X = \sum_{a,b} \int_0^1 dx_1 dx_2 f_a(x_1, \mu_F^2) f_b(x_2, \mu_F^2) \times \hat{\sigma}_{ab \rightarrow X}(x_1, x_2, \alpha_S(\mu_R^2), \frac{Q^2}{\mu_F^2}, \frac{Q^2}{\mu_R^2})$$

LHC master formula

More exactly

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where the partonic cross section is calculated by

$$\hat{\sigma}_{a,b \rightarrow k} = \frac{1}{2s} \int \left[\prod_{i=1}^n \frac{d^3 \vec{q}_i}{(2\pi)^3 2E_i} \right] \left[(2\pi)^4 \delta^4 \left(\sum_i q_i^\mu - (p_1 + p_2)^\mu \right) \right] |\mathcal{M}_{ab \rightarrow k}(\mu_F, \mu_R)|^2$$

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[flux factor]
[phase space (LiPS)]
[squared matrix element]

Crucial pieces for the calculation of the hadronic cross section are the **parton distribution functions** $f_{i/p}$ and the **squared matrix element** $|\mathcal{M}|^2$

LHC master formula

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Two ingredients necessary:

1. Parton Distribution Functions (from exp, but evolution from th).
2. Short distance coefficients as an expansion in α_S (from th).

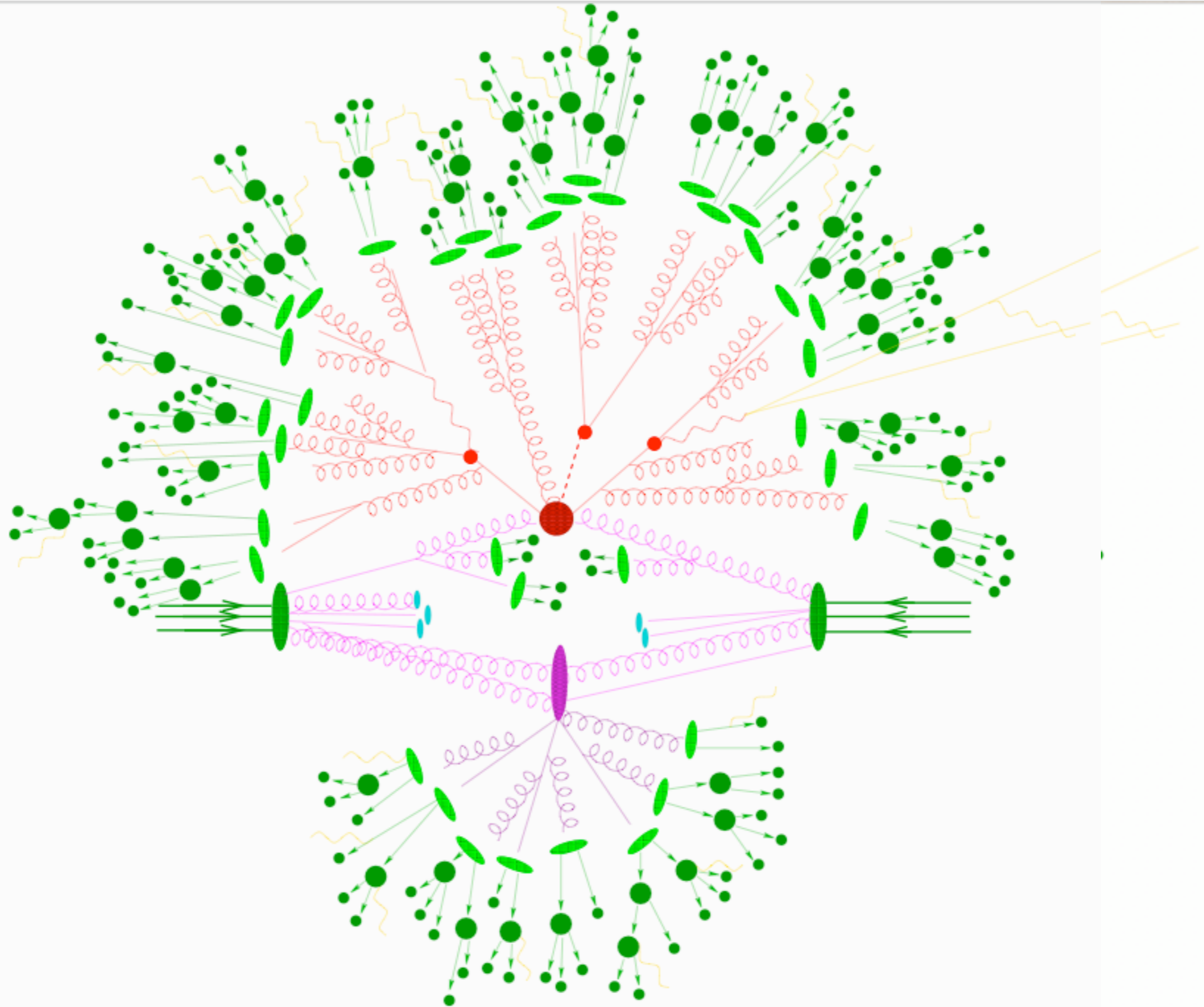
$$\hat{\sigma}_{ab \rightarrow X} = \sigma_0 + \alpha_S \sigma_1 + \alpha_S^2 \sigma_2 + \dots$$

Leading order

Next-to-leading order

Next-to-next-to-leading order

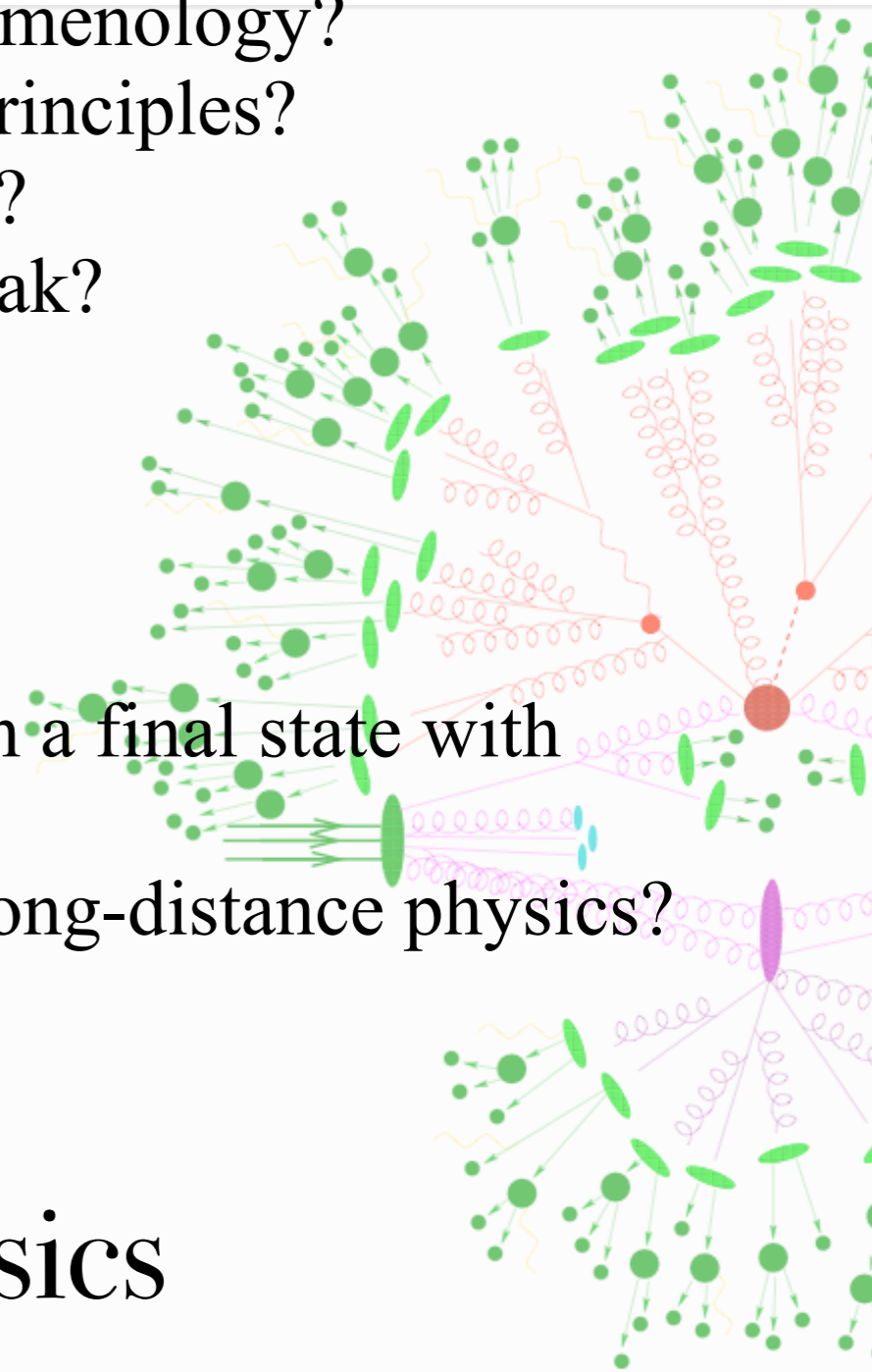




Basic (QCD) questions

- What does the LHC master formula imply for phenomenology?
- Can the LHC master formula be derived from first principles?
- What are the key properties of QCD that allow for it?
- Why do we treat strong interactions as they were weak?
- Would an abelian gauge theory also work?
- What about non-perturbative physics?
- Are fixed-order calculations meaningful?
- What is resummation?
- How do I relate a calculation with a few partons with a final state with hundreds/thousands of hadrons?
- How do I define observables that are insensitive to long-distance physics?
- What are jets?
- What is an inclusive vs an exclusive quantity?

Let's cover the very basics



Plan

1. Intro and QCD fundamentals

2. QCD in the final state : $e^+ e^-$ collisions

3. QCD in the initial state : $p p$ collisions

QCD : the fundamentals

1. QCD is a good theory for strong interactions: facts
2. From QED to QCD: the importance of color
3. Renormalization group and asymptotic freedom

Strong interactions

Strong interactions are characterised at moderate energies by a single dimensionful scale, Λ_s , of few hundreds of MeV:

$$\sigma_h \cong 1/\Lambda_s^2 \cong 10 \text{ mb}$$

$$\Gamma_h \cong \Lambda_s$$

$$R \cong 1/\Lambda_s \cong 1 \text{ fm}$$

No hint to the presence of a small parameter! Very hard to understand and many attempts...

*neglecting quark masses..!!!

Strong interactions

Nowadays we have a satisfactory model of strong interactions based on a non-abelian gauge theory, i.e.. Quantum Chromo Dynamics.

Why is QCD a good theory?

1. Hadron spectrum
2. Scaling
3. QCD: a consistent QFT
4. Low energy symmetries
5. MUCH more....

Hadron spectrum

- ❖ Hadrons are made up of spin 1/2 quarks, of different flavors (d,u,s,c,b,[t])
- ❖ Each flavor comes in three colors, thus quarks carry a flavor and color index

$$\psi_i^{(f)}$$

- The global SU(3) symmetry acting on color is exact:

$$\psi_i \rightarrow \sum_k U_{ik} \psi_k$$

$$\sum_k \psi_k^* \psi_k$$

← Mesons

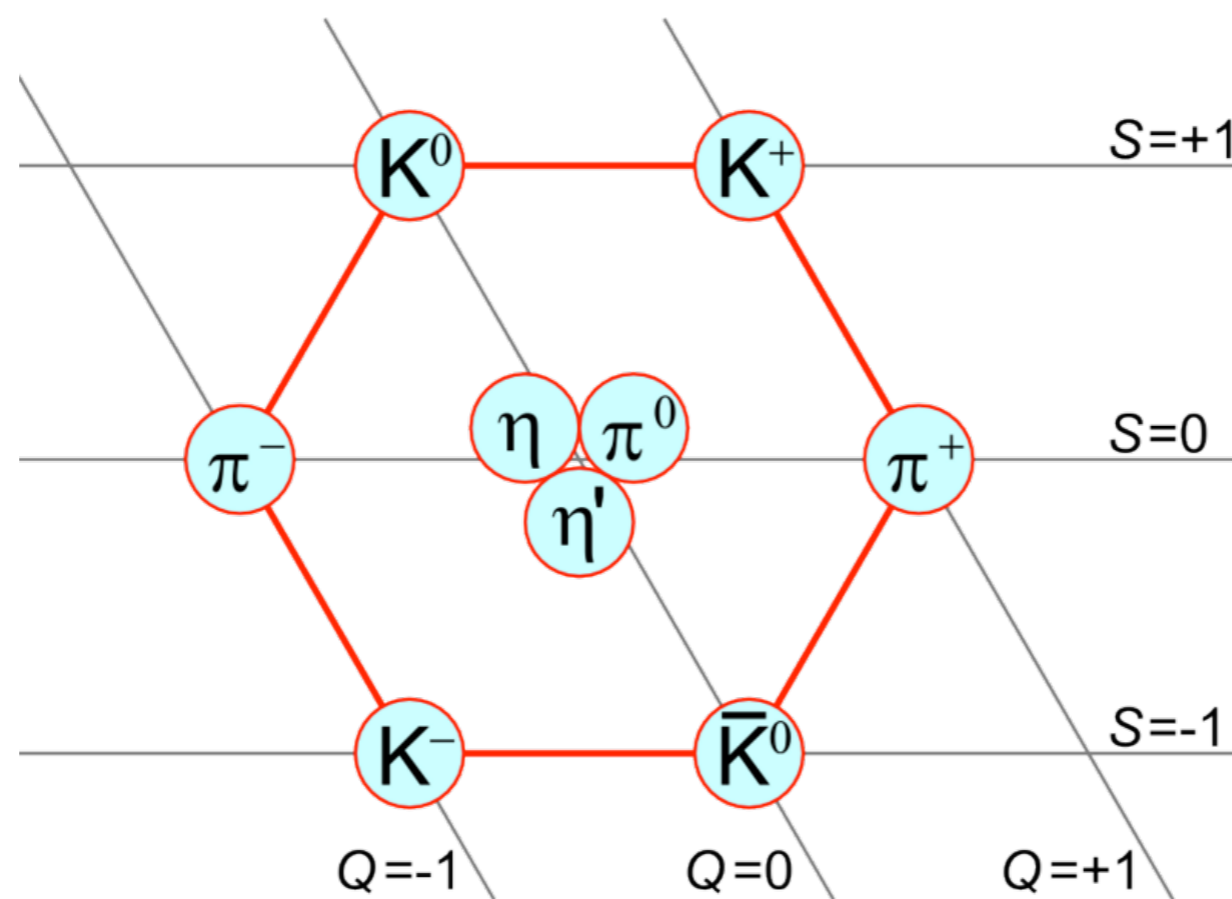
$$\sum_{ijk} \epsilon^{ijk} \psi_i \psi_j \psi_k$$

← Baryons

Hadron spectrum

Note that physical states are classified in multiplets of the FLAVOR $SU(3)_f$ group!

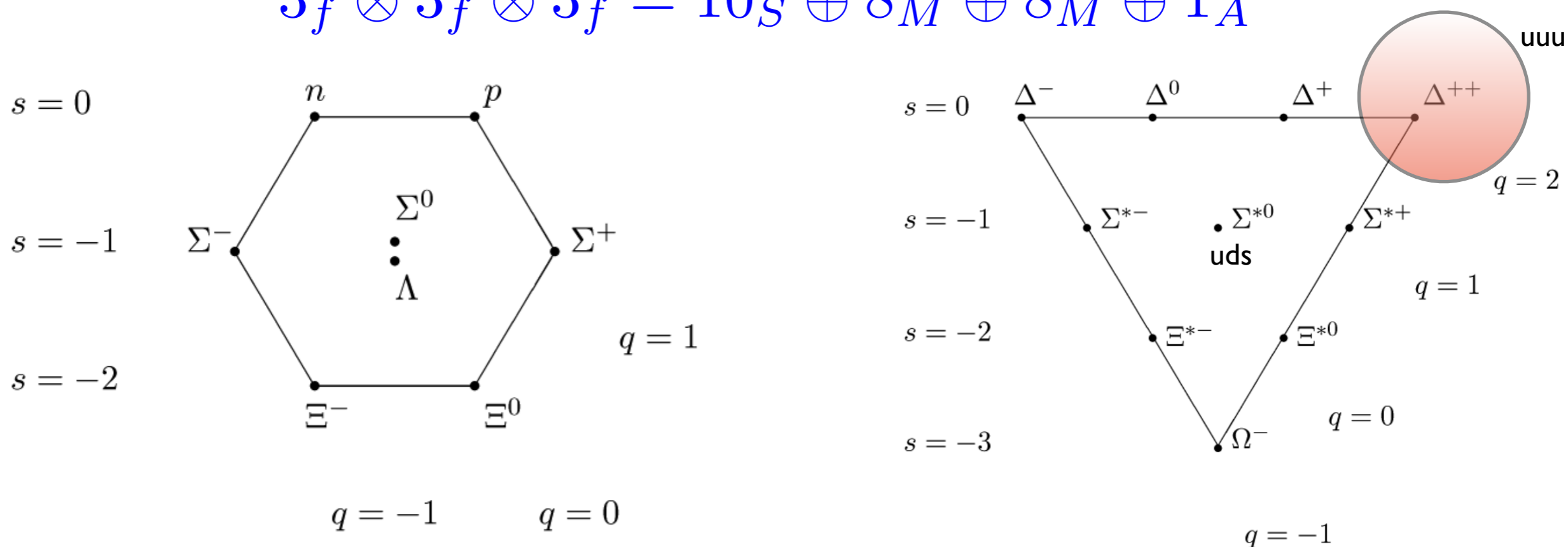
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Hadron spectrum

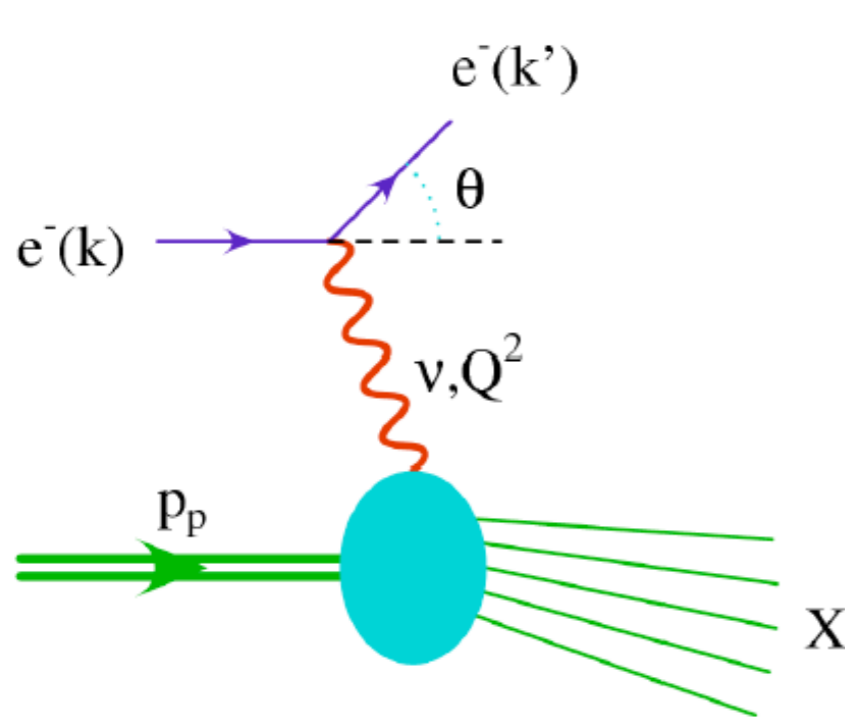
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$$3_f \otimes 3_f \otimes 3_f = 10_S \oplus 8_M \oplus 8_M \oplus 1_A$$



We need an extra quantum number (color) to have the Δ^{++} with similar properties to the Σ^{*0} . All particles in the multiplet have symmetric spin, flavour and spatial wave-function. Check that $nq - nqbar = n \times N_c$, with n integer.

Scaling



$$s = (P + k)^2 \quad \text{cms energy}^2$$

$$Q^2 = -(k - k')^2 \quad \text{momentum transfer}^2$$

$$x = Q^2 / 2(P \cdot q) \quad \text{scaling variable}$$

$$\nu = (P \cdot q) / M = E - E' \quad \text{energy loss}$$

$$y = (P \cdot q) / (P \cdot k) = 1 - E' / E \quad \text{rel. energy loss}$$

$$W^2 = (P + q)^2 = M^2 + \frac{1-x}{x} Q^2 \quad \text{recoil mass}$$

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\text{elastic}}}{dq^2} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{dq^2} \right)_{\text{point}} \cdot F_{\text{elastic}}^2(q^2) \delta(1-x) dx$$

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\text{inelastic}}}{dq^2} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{dq^2} \right)_{\text{point}} \cdot F_{\text{inelastic}}^2(q^2, x) dx$$

What should we expect for $F(q^2, x)$?

Scaling

Two plausible and one **crazy** scenarios for the $|q^2| \rightarrow \infty$ (Bjorken) limit:

1. Smooth electric charge distribution:

(classical picture)

$$F^2_{\text{elastic}}(q^2) \sim F^2_{\text{inelastic}}(q^2) \ll 1$$

i.e., external probe penetrates the proton as knife through the butter!

2. Tightly bound point charges inside the proton:

(bound quarks)

$$F^2_{\text{elastic}}(q^2) \sim 1 \text{ and } F^2_{\text{inelastic}}(q^2) \ll 1$$

i.e., quarks get hit as single particles, but momentum is immediately redistributed as they are tightly bound together (confinement) and cannot fly away.

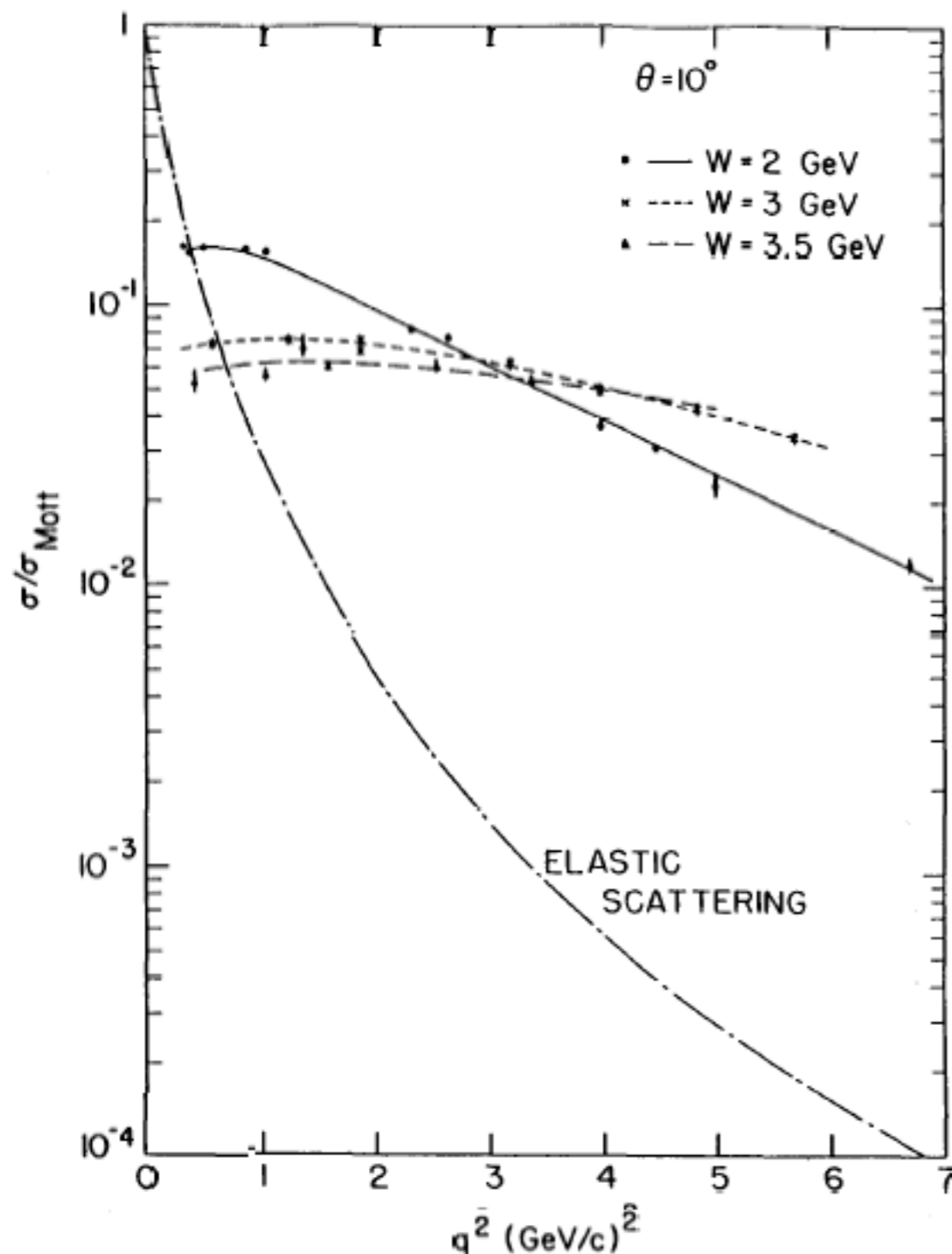
3. And now the crazy one:

(free quarks)

$$F^2_{\text{elastic}}(q^2) \ll 1 \text{ and } F^2_{\text{inelastic}}(q^2) \sim 1$$

i.e., there are points (quarks!) inside the protons, however the hit quark behaves as a free particle that flies away without feeling or caring about confinement!!!

Scaling



$$\frac{d^2\sigma^{\text{EXP}}}{dx dy} \sim \frac{1}{Q^2}$$

Remarkable!!! Pure dimensional analysis!
 The right hand side does not depend on Λ_S !
 This is the same behaviour one may find in a renormalizable theory like in QED.
 Other stunning example is again $e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$.

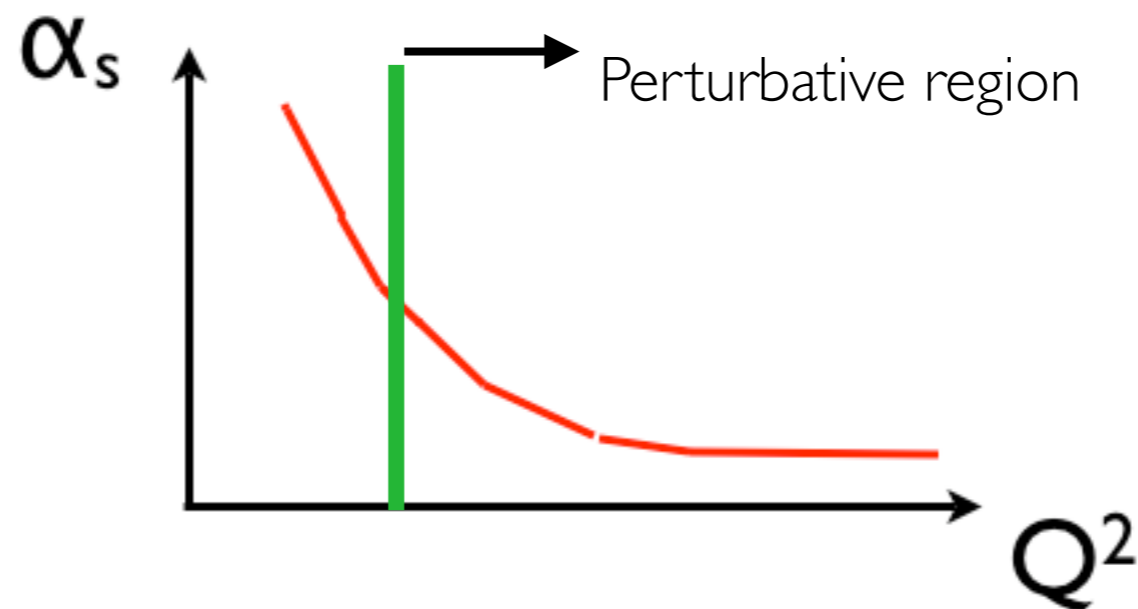
This motivated the search for a weakly-coupled theory at high energy!

Asymptotic freedom

Among QFT theories in 4 dimension only the non-Abelian gauge theories are “asymptotically free”.

It becomes then natural to promote the global color SU(3) symmetry into a local symmetry where color is a charge.

This also hints to the possibility that the color neutrality of the hadrons could have a dynamical origin



In renormalizable QFT's scale invariance is broken by the renormalization procedure and couplings depend logarithmically on scales.

The QCD Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = \underbrace{-\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^a F_a^{\mu\nu}}_{\text{Gauge Fields}} + \sum_f \underbrace{\bar{\psi}_i^{(f)} (i\not{\partial} - m_f) \psi_i^{(f)}}_{\text{Matter}} - \underbrace{\bar{\psi}_i^{(f)} (g_s t_{ij}^a A_a) \psi_j^{(f)}}_{\text{Interaction}}$$

$$[t^a, t^b] = i f^{abc} t^c$$

→ Algebra of SU(N)

$$\text{tr}(t^a t^b) = \frac{1}{2} \delta^{ab}$$

→ Normalization

Very similar to the QED Lagrangian.. we'll see in a moment where the differences come from!

The symmetries of the QCD Lagrangian

Now we know that strong interacting physical states have very good symmetry properties like the isospin symmetry: particles in the same multiplets (n,p) or (π^+ , π^- , π^0) have nearly the same mass. Are these symmetries accounted for?

$$\mathcal{L}_F = \sum_f \bar{\psi}_i^{(f)} [(i\partial - m_f)\delta_{ij} - g_s t_{ij}^a A_a] \psi_j^{(f)}$$

$$\psi^{(f)} \rightarrow \sum_{f'} U^{ff'} \psi^{(f')} \quad \text{Isospin transformation acts only } f=u,d.$$

It is a simple EXERCISE to show that the lagrangian is invariant if $m_u=m_d$ or $m_u, m_d \rightarrow 0$. It is the second case that is more appealing. If the masses are close to zero the QCD lagrangian is MORE symmetric:

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The symmetries of the QCD Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_F = \sum_f \left\{ \bar{\psi}_L^{(f)} (i\partial - g_s t^a A_a) \psi_L^{(f)} + \bar{\psi}_R^{(f)} (i\partial - g_s t^a A_a) \psi_R^{(f)} \right\} \quad \psi_L = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \gamma_5)\psi$$

$$- \sum_f m_f \left(\left\{ \bar{\psi}_R^{(f)} \psi_L^{(f)} + \bar{\psi}_L^{(f)} \psi_R^{(f)} \right\} \right) \quad \psi_R = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \gamma_5)\psi$$

Do these symmetries have counterpart in the real world?

$$\psi_L^{(f)} \rightarrow e^{i\phi_L} \sum_{f'} U_L^{ff'} \psi_L^{(f')}$$

$$\psi_R^{(f)} \rightarrow e^{i\phi_R} \sum_{f'} U_R^{ff'} \psi_R^{(f')}$$

- The vector subgroup is realized in nature as the isospin
- The corresponding U(1) is the baryon number conservation
- The axial U_A(1) is not there due the axial anomaly
- The remaining axial transformations are spontaneously broken and the goldstone bosons are the pions.

$$SU_L(N) \times SU_R(N) \times U_L(1) \times U_R(1)$$

This is amazing! Without knowing anything about the dynamics of confinement we correctly describe isospin, the small mass of the pions, the scattering properties of pions, and many other features.

Why do we believe QCD is a good theory of strong interactions?

- ❖ QCD is a non-abelian gauge theory, is renormalizable, is asymptotically free, is a one-parameter theory [Once you measure α_s (and the quark masses) you know everything **fundamental** about (perturbative) QCD].
- ❖ It explains the low energy properties of the hadrons, justifies the observed spectrum and catch the most important dynamical properties.
- ❖ It explains scaling (and BTW anything else we have seen up to now!!) at high energies.
- ❖ It leaves EW interaction in place since the SU(3) commutes with SU(2) x U(1). There is no mixing and there are no enhancements of parity violating effect or flavor changing currents.

ok, then. Are we done?

Why do many people care about QCD?

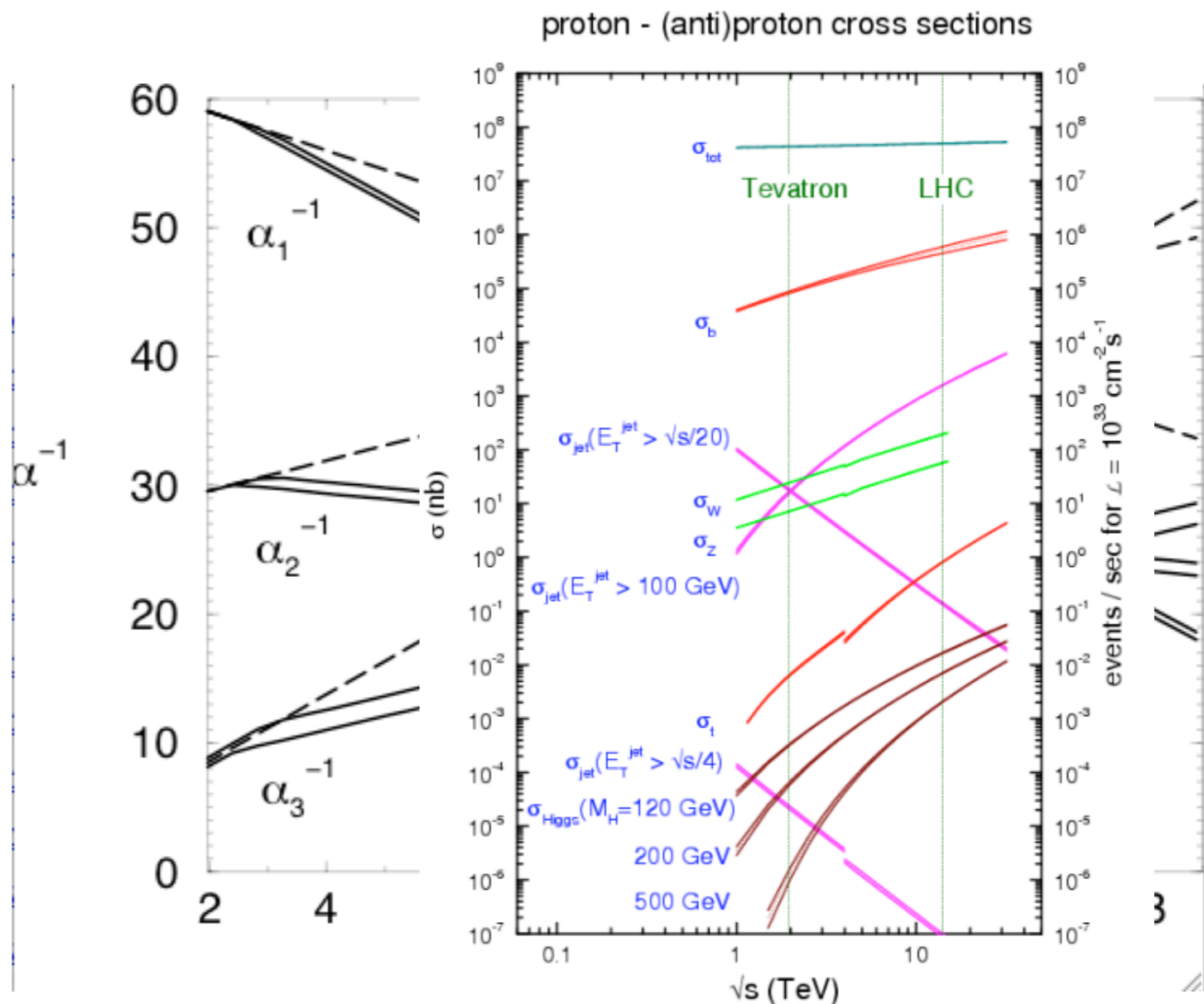
At high energy:

QCD is a necessary tool to decode most hints that Nature is giving us on the fundamental issues!

*Measurement of α_s , $\sin^2\theta_w$ give information on possible patterns of unification.

*Measurements and discoveries at hadron colliders need accurate predictions for QCD backgrounds!

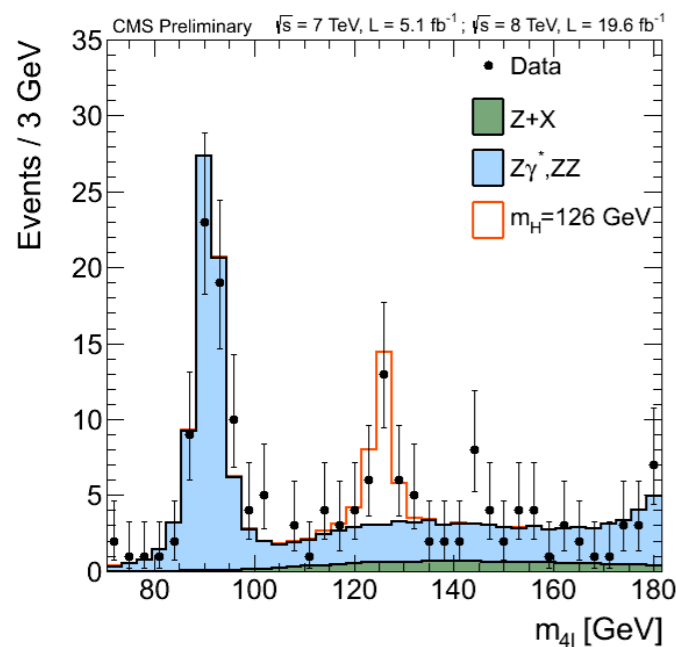
BTW, is this really true?



Discoveries at hadron colliders

peak

$$pp \rightarrow H \rightarrow 4l$$

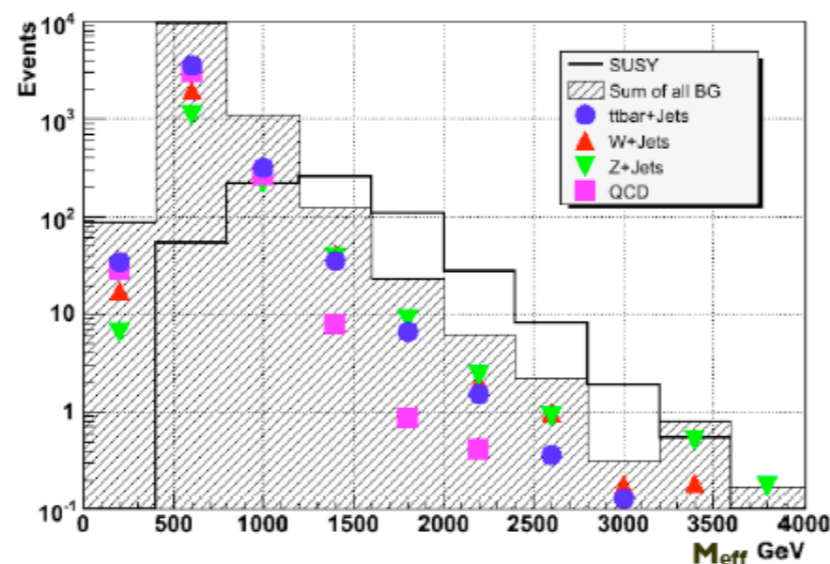


“easy”

Background directly measured from data. TH needed only for parameter extraction (Normalization, acceptance,...)

shape

$$pp \rightarrow \tilde{g}\tilde{g}, \tilde{g}\tilde{q}, \tilde{q}\tilde{q} \rightarrow \text{jets} + \cancel{E}_T$$

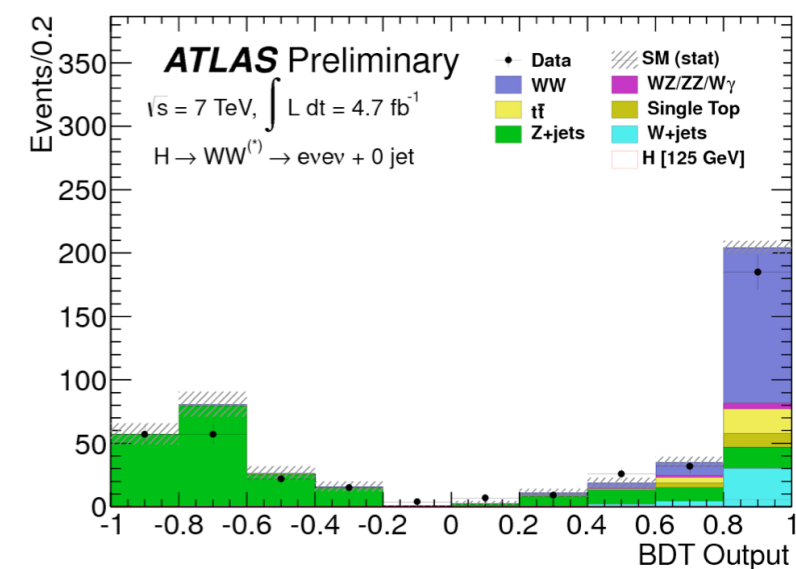


hard

Background shapes needed. Flexible MC for both signal and background tuned and validated with data.

discriminant

$$pp \rightarrow H \rightarrow W^+W^-$$



very hard

Background normalization and shapes known very well. Interplay with the best theoretical predictions (via MC) and data.

Motivations for QCD predictions

- ❖ **Accurate** and **experimental** friendly predictions for collider physics range from being very useful to strictly necessary.
- ❖ Confidence on possible excesses, evidences and eventually discoveries builds upon an intense (and often non-linear) process of description/prediction of data via MC's.
- ❖ Measurements and exclusions always rely on accurate predictions.
- ❖ Predictions for both SM and BSM on the same ground.

no QCD \Rightarrow no PARTY !

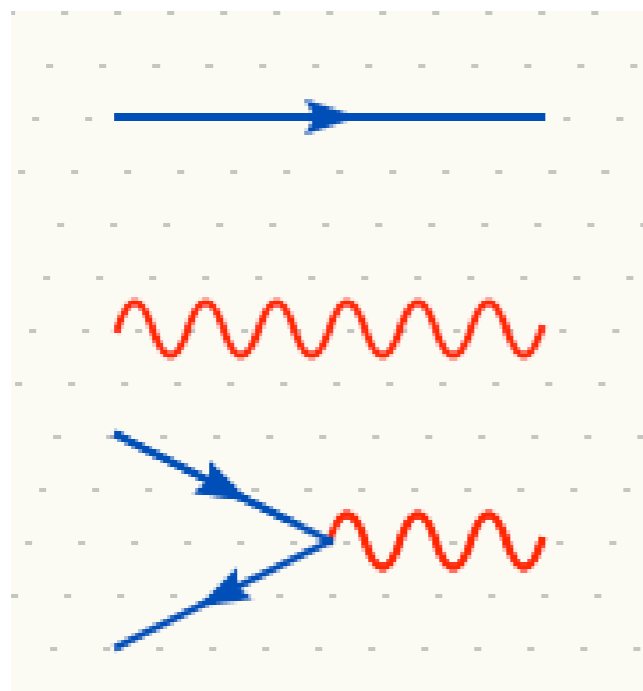
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From QED to QCD

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu} + \bar{\psi}(i\partial - m)\psi - eQ\bar{\psi}A\psi$$

where $F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu$



$$= \frac{i}{\not{p} - m + i\epsilon}$$

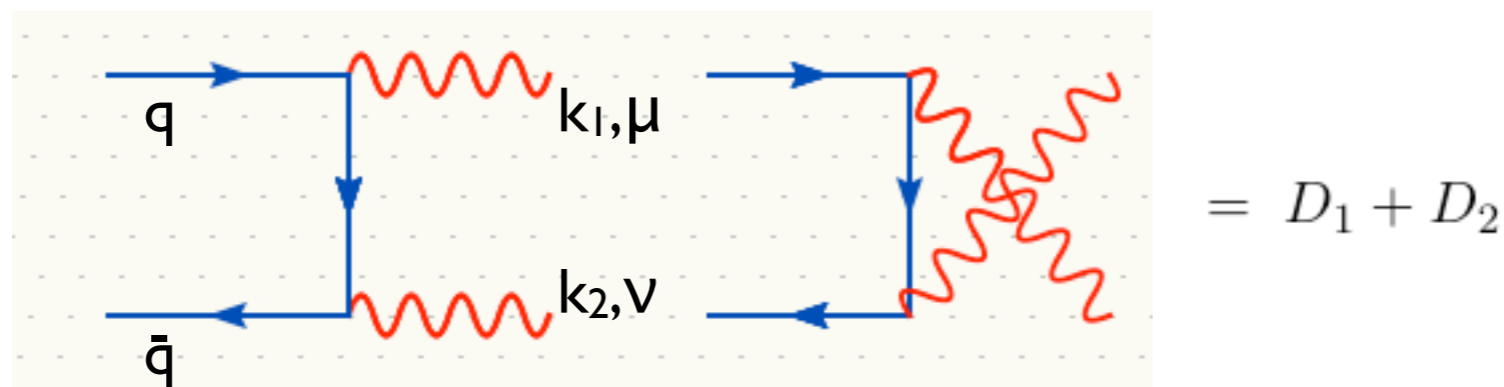
$$= \frac{-ig_{\mu\nu}}{p^2 + i\epsilon}$$

$$= -ie\gamma_\mu Q$$

From QED to QCD

We want to focus on how gauge invariance is realized in practice.

Let's start with the computation of a simple process $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$. There are two diagrams:



$$i\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{M}_{\mu\nu} \epsilon_1^{*\mu} \epsilon_2^{*\nu} = D_1 + D_2 = e^2 \left(\bar{v}(\bar{q}) \not{\epsilon}_2 \frac{1}{\not{q} - \not{k}_1} \not{\epsilon}_1 u(q) + \bar{v}(\bar{q}) \not{\epsilon}_1 \frac{1}{\not{q} - \not{k}_2} \not{\epsilon}_2 u(q) \right)$$

Gauge invariance requires that:

$$\epsilon_1^{*\mu} k_2^\nu \mathcal{M}_{\mu\nu} = \epsilon_2^{*\nu} k_1^\mu \mathcal{M}_{\mu\nu} = 0$$

From QED to QCD

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_{\mu\nu} k_1^{*\mu} \epsilon_2^{*\nu} &= D_1 + D_2 = e^2 \left(\bar{v}(\bar{q}) \not{\epsilon}_2 \frac{1}{\not{q} - \not{k}_1} (\not{k}_1 - \not{q}) u(q) + \bar{v}(\bar{q}) (\not{k}_1 - \not{q}) \frac{1}{\not{k}_1 - \not{q}} \not{\epsilon}_2 u(q) \right) \\ &= -\bar{v}(\bar{q}) \not{\epsilon}_2 u(q) + \bar{v}(\bar{q}) \not{\epsilon}_2 u(q) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

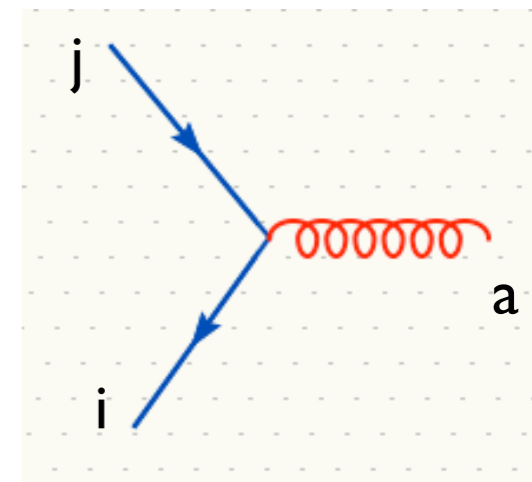
Only the sum of the two diagrams is gauge invariant. For the amplitude to be gauge invariant it is enough that one of the polarizations is longitudinal. The state of the other gauge boson is irrelevant.

Let's try now to generalize what we have done for SU(3). In this case we take the (anti-)quarks to be in the (anti-)fundamental representation of SU(3), 3 and 3*. Then the current is in a $3 \otimes 3^* = 1 \oplus 8$. The singlet is like a photon, so we identify the gluon with the octet and generalize the QED vertex to :

with $[t^a, t^b] = i f^{abc} t^c$ $-i g_s t_{ij}^a \gamma^\mu$

So now let's calculate $qq \rightarrow gg$ and we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{i}{g_s^2} M_g &\equiv (t^b t^a)_{ij} D_1 + (t^a t^b)_{ij} D_2 \\ M_g &= (t^a t^b)_{ij} M_\gamma - g^2 f^{abc} t_{ij}^c D_1 \end{aligned}$$



From QED to QCD

To satisfy gauge invariance we still need:

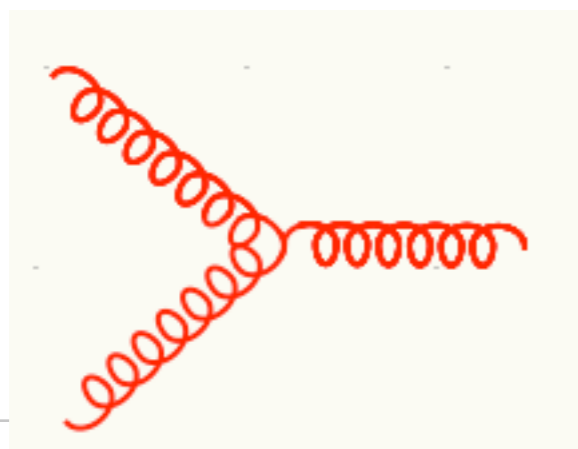
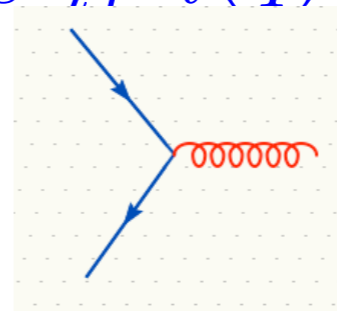
$$k_1^\mu \epsilon_2^\nu M_g^{\mu,\nu} = k_2^\nu \epsilon_1^\mu M_g^{\mu,\nu} = 0.$$

But in this case one piece is left out

$$k_{1\mu} M_g^\mu = -g_s^2 f^{abc} t_{ij}^c \bar{v}_i(\bar{q}) \not{\epsilon}_2 u_i(q)$$

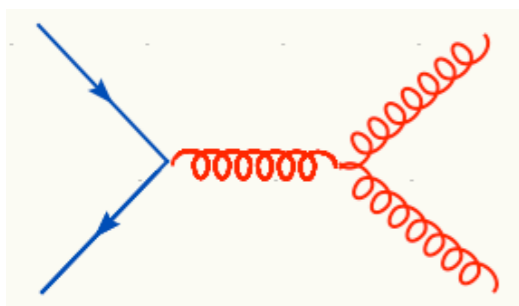
$$k_{1\mu} M_g^\mu = i(-g_s f^{abc} \epsilon_2^\mu) (-i g_s t_{ij}^c \bar{v}_i(\bar{q}) \gamma_\mu u_i(q))$$

We indeed see that we interpret as the normal vertex times a new 3 gluon vertex:



$$-g_s f^{abc} V_{\mu_1 \mu_2 \mu_3}(p_1, p_2, p_3)$$

From QED to QCD



$$-ig_s^2 D_3 = \left(-ig_s t_{ij}^a \bar{v}_i(\bar{q}) \gamma^\mu u_j(q) \right) \times \left(\frac{-i}{p^2} \right) \times \left(-g f^{abc} V_{\mu\nu\rho}(-p, k_1, k_2) \epsilon_1^\nu(k_1) \epsilon_2^\rho(k_2) \right)$$

How do we write down the Lorentz part for this new interaction? We can impose

1. Lorentz invariance : only structure of the type $g_{\mu\nu} p_\rho$ are allowed
2. fully anti-symmetry : only structure of the type $\epsilon_{\mu_1\mu_2\mu_3} (k_1)_{\mu_3}$ are allowed...
3. dimensional analysis : only one power of the momentum.

that uniquely constrain the form of the vertex:

$$V_{\mu_1\mu_2\mu_3}(p_1, p_2, p_3) = V_0 \left[(p_1 - p_2)_{\mu_3} g_{\mu_1\mu_2} + (p_2 - p_3)_{\mu_1} g_{\mu_2\mu_3} + (p_3 - p_1)_{\mu_2} g_{\mu_3\mu_1} \right]$$

With the above expression we obtain a contribution to the gauge variation:

$$k_1 \cdot D_3 = g^2 f^{abc} t^c V_0 \left[\bar{v}(\bar{q}) \not{\epsilon}_2 u(q) - \frac{k_2 \cdot \epsilon_2}{2k_1 \cdot k_2} \bar{v}(\bar{q}) \not{k}_1 u(q) \right]$$

The first term cancels the gauge variation of D1+ D2 if $V_0=1$, the second term is zero IFF the other gluon is physical!!

One can derive the form of the four-gluon vertex using the same heuristic method.

The QCD Lagrangian

By direct inspection and by using the form non-abelian covariant derivation, we can check that indeed non-abelian gauge symmetry implies self-interactions. This is not surprising since the gluon itself is charged (In QED the photon is not!)

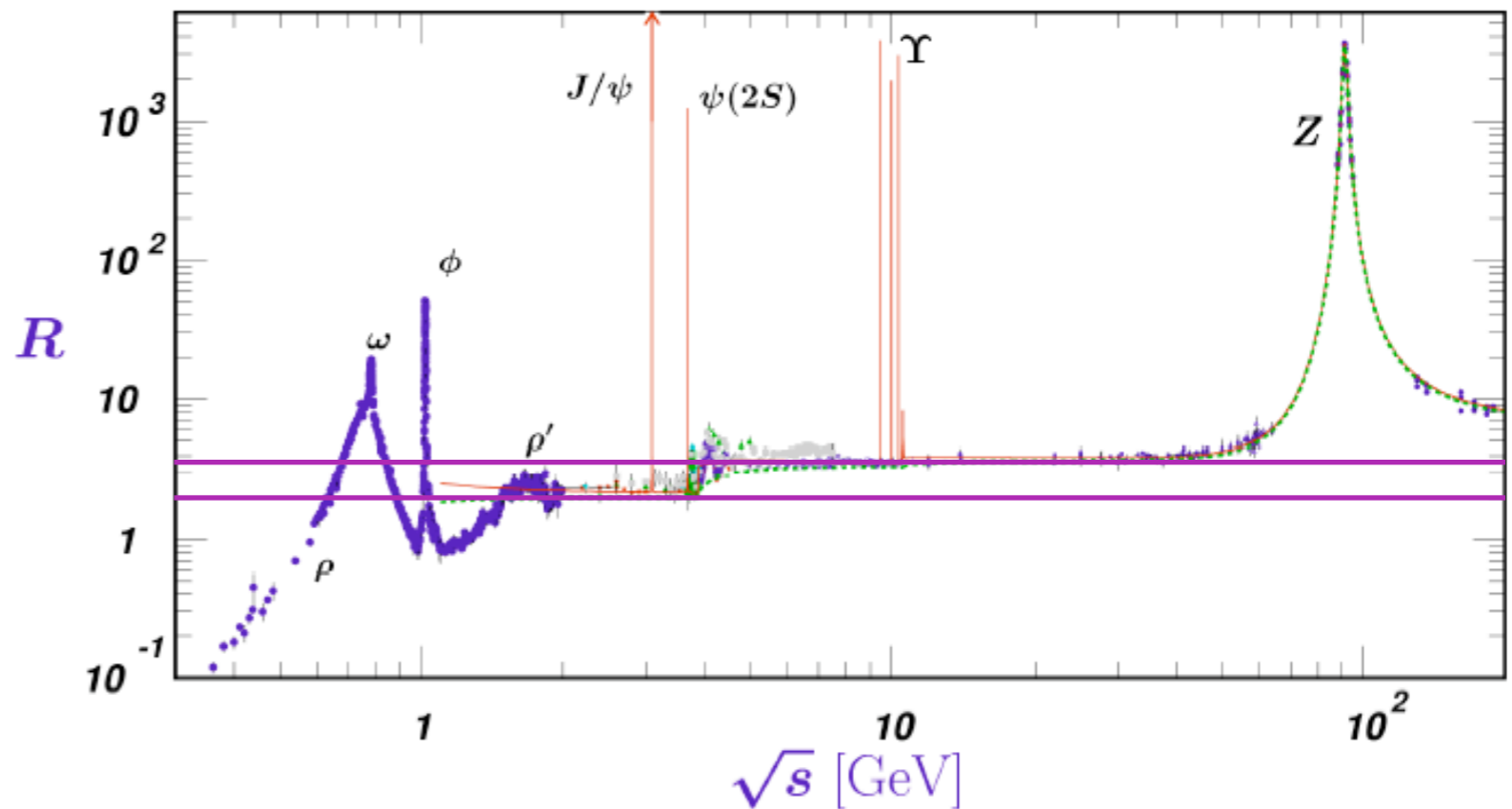
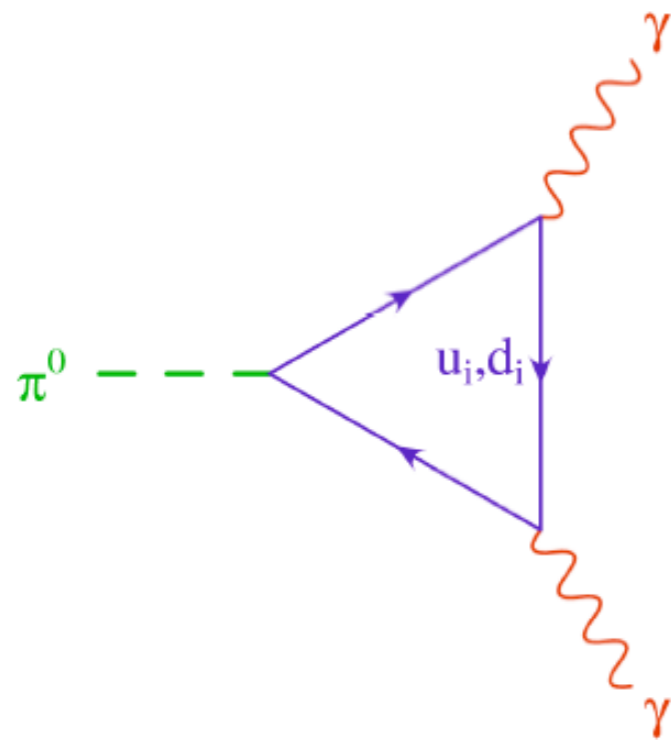
$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^a F_a^{\mu\nu} + \sum_f \bar{\psi}_i^{(f)} (i\partial - m_f) \psi_i^{(f)} - \bar{\psi}_i^{(f)} (g_s t_{ij}^a A_a) \psi_j^{(f)}$$

Gauge
Fields and
their
interact.

→

$F_{\mu\nu}^a = \partial_\mu A_\nu^a - \partial_\nu A_\mu^a - g f^{abc} A_\mu^b A_\nu^c$

How many colors?



$$\Gamma \sim N_c^2 [Q_u^2 - Q_d^2]^2 \frac{m_\pi^3}{f_\pi^2}$$

$$\Gamma_{TH} = \left(\frac{N_c}{3}\right)^2 7.6 \text{ eV}$$

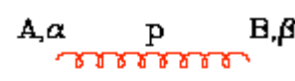
$$\Gamma_{EXP} = 7.7 \pm 0.6 \text{ eV}$$

$$R = \frac{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons})}{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)} \sim N_c \sum_q e_q^2$$

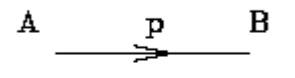
$$= 2(N_c/3) \quad q = u, d, s$$

$$= 3.7(N_c/3) \quad q = u, d, s, c, b$$

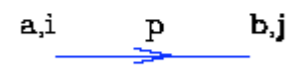
The Feynman Rules of QCD



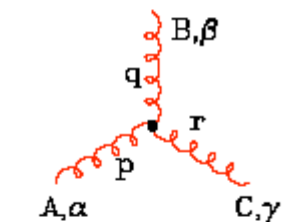
$$\delta^{AB} \left[-g^{\alpha\beta} + (1-\lambda) \frac{p^\alpha p^\beta}{p^2 + i\epsilon} \right] \frac{i}{p^2 + i\epsilon}$$



$$\delta^{AB} \frac{i}{(p^2 + i\epsilon)}$$

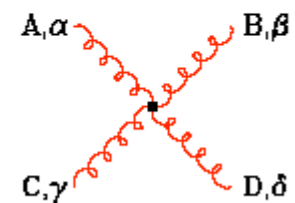


$$\delta^{ab} \frac{i}{(\not{p} - m + i\epsilon)_{ij}}$$



$$-g f^{ABC} [(p-q)^\gamma g^{\alpha\beta} + (q-r)^\alpha g^{\beta\gamma} + (r-p)^\beta g^{\gamma\alpha}]$$

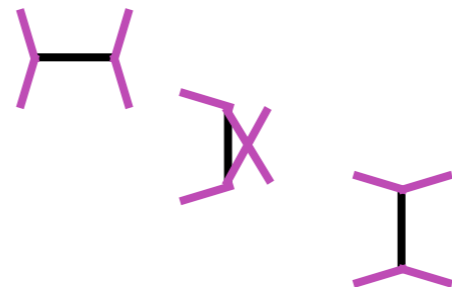
(all momenta incoming)

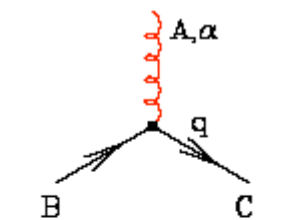


$$-ig^2 f^{XAC} f^{XBD} [g^{\alpha\beta} g^{\gamma\delta} - g^{\alpha\delta} g^{\beta\gamma}]$$

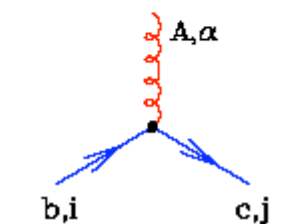
$$-ig^2 f^{XAD} f^{XBC} [g^{\alpha\beta} g^{\gamma\delta} - g^{\alpha\gamma} g^{\beta\delta}]$$

$$-ig^2 f^{XAB} f^{XCD} [g^{\alpha\gamma} g^{\beta\delta} - g^{\alpha\delta} g^{\beta\gamma}]$$





$$g f^{ABC} q^\alpha$$



$$-ig (t^A)_{cb} (\gamma^a)_{ij}$$

From QED to QCD: physical states

In QED, due to abelian gauge invariance, one can sum over the polarization of the external photons using:

$$\sum_{pol} \epsilon_i^\mu \epsilon_i^{*\nu} = -g_{\mu\nu}$$

In fact the longitudinal and time-like component cancel each other, no matter what the choice for ϵ_2 is. The production of any number of unphysical photons vanishes.

In QCD this would give a wrong result!!

We can write the sum over the polarization in a convenient form using the vector $k=(k_0, 0,0,-k_0)$.

$$\sum_{phys\ pol} \epsilon_i^\mu \epsilon_i^{*\nu} = -g_{\mu\nu} + \frac{k_\mu \bar{k}_\nu + k_\nu \bar{k}_\mu}{k \cdot \bar{k}}$$

For gluons the situation is different, since $k_1 \cdot M \sim \epsilon_2 \cdot k_2$. So the production of two unphysical gluons is not zero!!

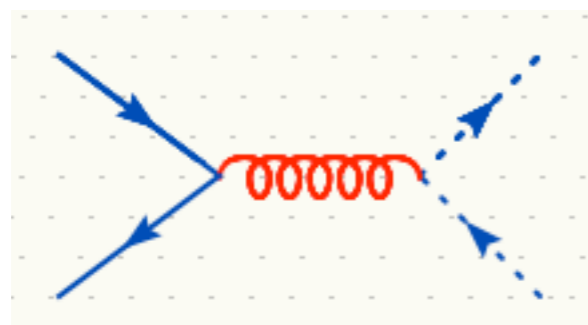
From QED to QCD: physical states

In the case of non-Abelian theories it is therefore important to restrict the sum over polarizations (and the off-shell propagators) to the physical degrees of freedom.

Alternatively, one has to undertake a formal study of the implications of gauge-fixing in non-physical gauges. The outcome of this approach is the appearance of **two color-octet scalar degrees of freedom that have the peculiar property that behave like fermions**.

Ghost couple only to gluons and appear in internal loops and as external states (in place of two gluons). Since they break the spin-statistics theorem their contribution can be negative, which is what is required to cancel the non-physical dof in the general case.

Adding the ghost contribution gives



$$\Rightarrow - \left| i g_s^2 f^{abc} t^a \frac{1}{2k_1 \cdot k_2} \bar{v}(\bar{q}) \not{k}_1 u(q) \right|^2$$

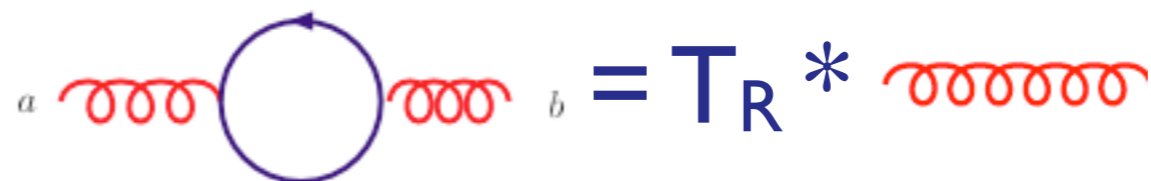
which exactly cancels the non-physical polarization in a covariant gauge.

The color algebra

$$\text{Tr}(t^a) = 0$$



$$\text{Tr}(t^a t^b) = T_R \delta^{ab}$$

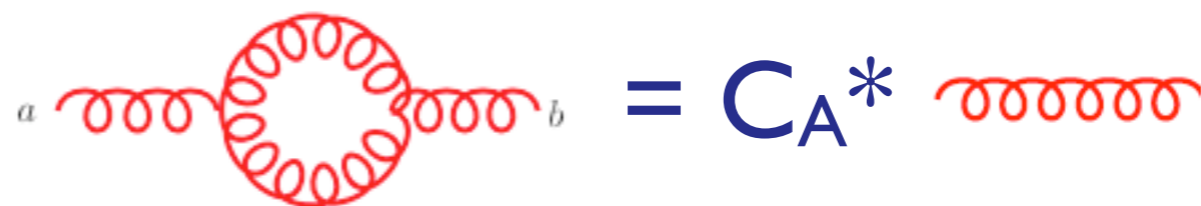


$$(t^a t^a)_{ij} = C_F \delta_{ij}$$



$$\sum_{cd} f^{acd} f^{bcd}$$

$$= (F^c F^c)_{ab} = C_A \delta_{ab}$$

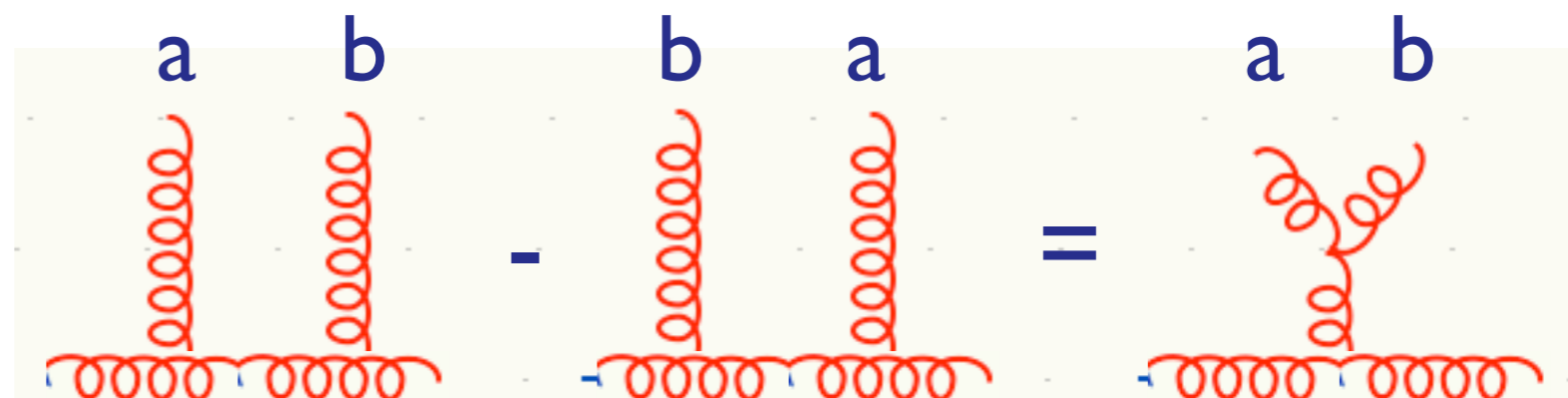


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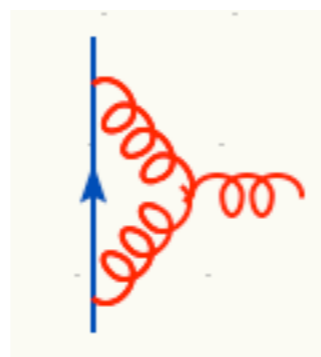
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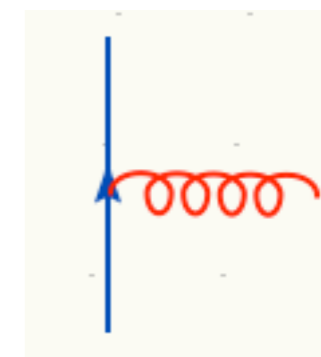
1-loop vertices



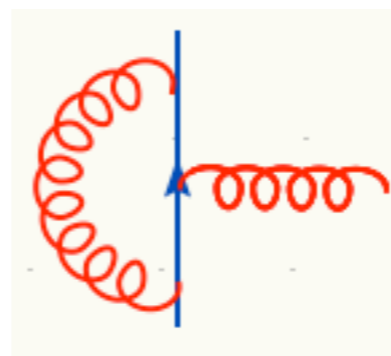
$$i f^{abc} (t^b t^c)_{ij} = \frac{C_A}{2} t^a_{ij}$$



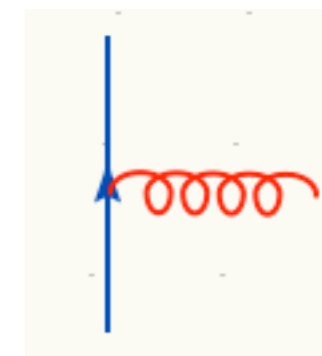
$$= C_A/2 *$$



$$(t^b t^a t^b)_{ij} = (C_F - \frac{C_A}{2}) t^a_{ij}$$



$$= -1/2/N_c *$$



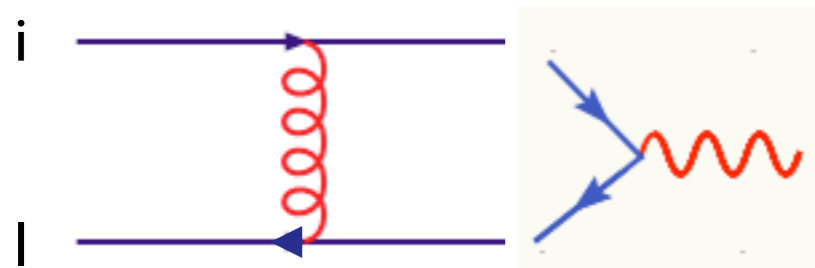
The color algebra

$$t_{ij}^a t_{kl}^a = \frac{1}{2} (\delta_{il} \delta_{kj} - \frac{1}{N_c} \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl})$$

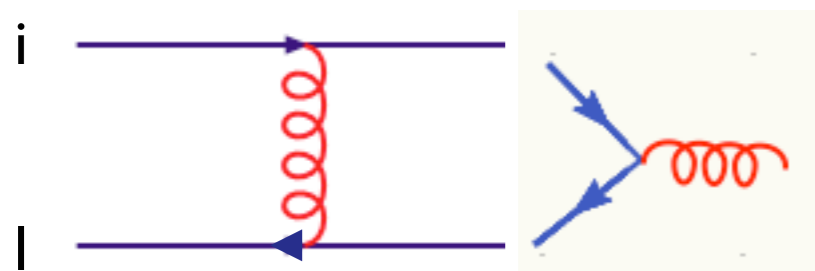


Problem: Show that the one-gluon exchange between quark-antiquark pair can be attractive or repulsive. Calculate the relative strength.

Solution: a q qb pair can be in a singlet state (photon) or in octet (gluon) : $3 \otimes \bar{3} = 1 \oplus 8$

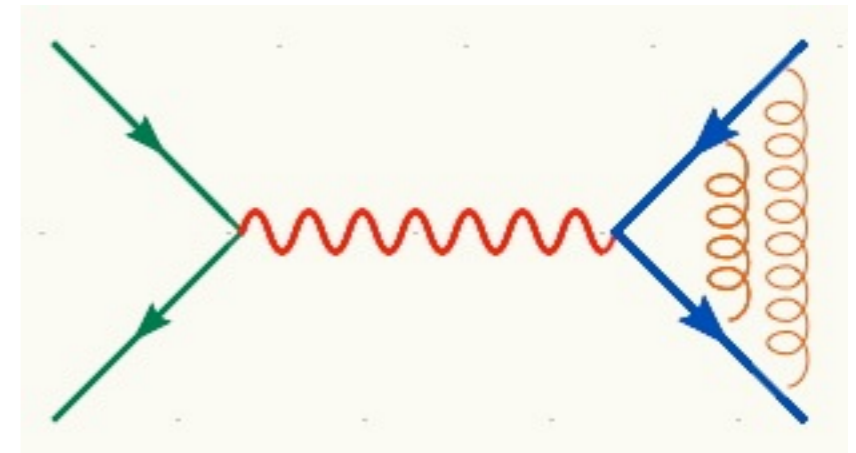
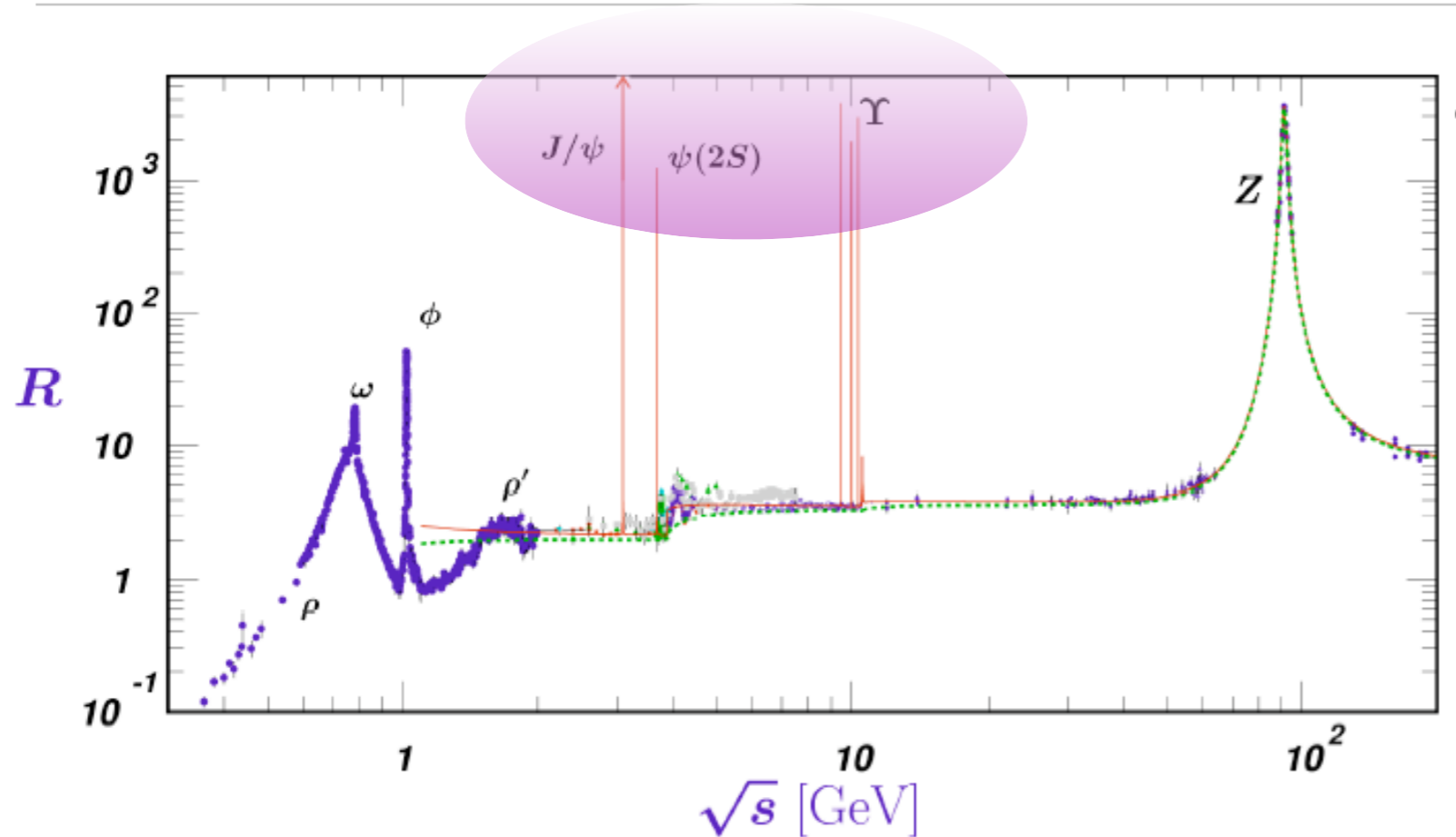


$$\frac{1}{2} (\delta_{ik} \delta_{lj} - \frac{1}{N_c} \delta_{ij} \delta_{lk}) \delta_{ki} = \frac{1}{2} \delta_{lj} (N_c - \frac{1}{N_c}) = C_F \delta_{lj} > 0, \text{ attractive}$$



$$\frac{1}{2} (\delta_{ik} \delta_{lj} - \frac{1}{N_c} \delta_{ij} \delta_{lk}) t_{ki}^a = -\frac{1}{2N_c} t_{lj}^a < 0, \text{ repulsive}$$

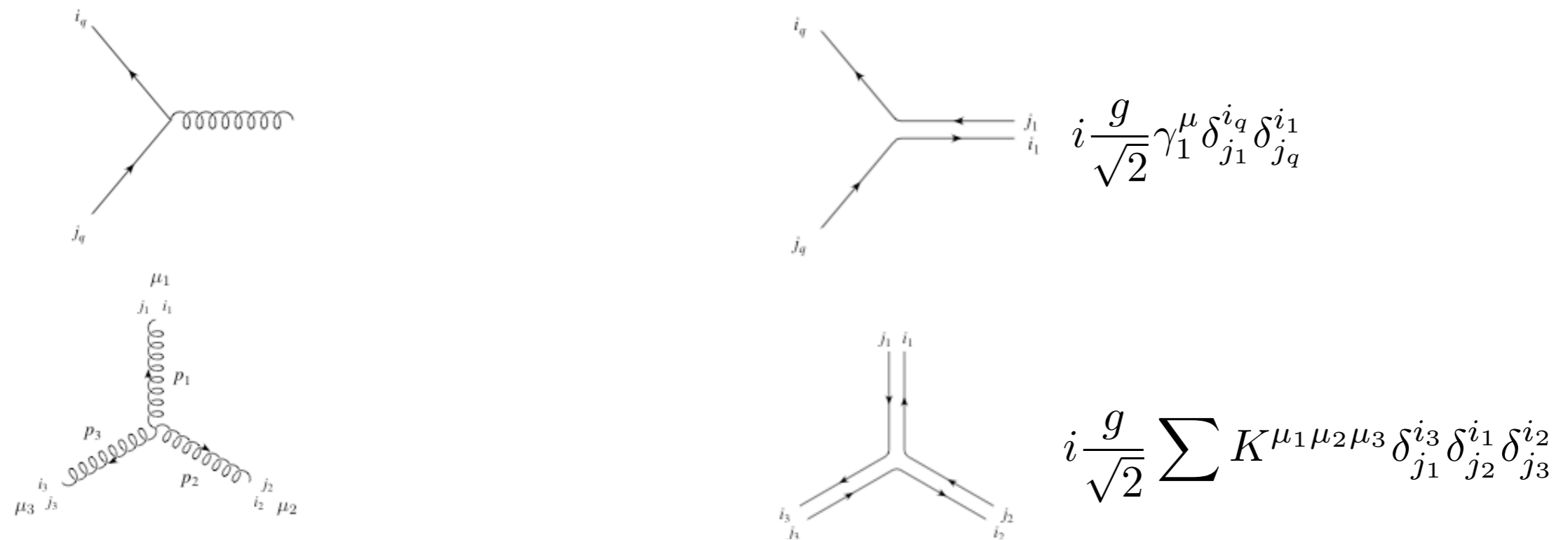
Quarkonium states



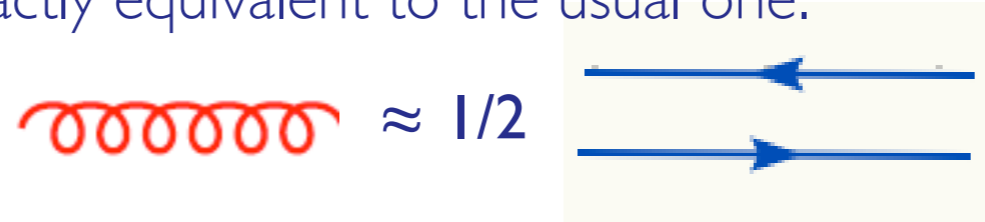
Very sharp peaks \Rightarrow small widths (~ 100 KeV) compared to hadronic resonances (100 MeV) \Rightarrow very long lived states. QCD is “weak” at scales $\gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$ (asymptotic freedom), non-relativistic bound states are formed like positronium!

The QCD-Coulomb attractive potential is like:
$$V(r) \simeq -C_F \frac{\alpha_s(1/r)}{r}$$

Color algebra: 't Hooft double line

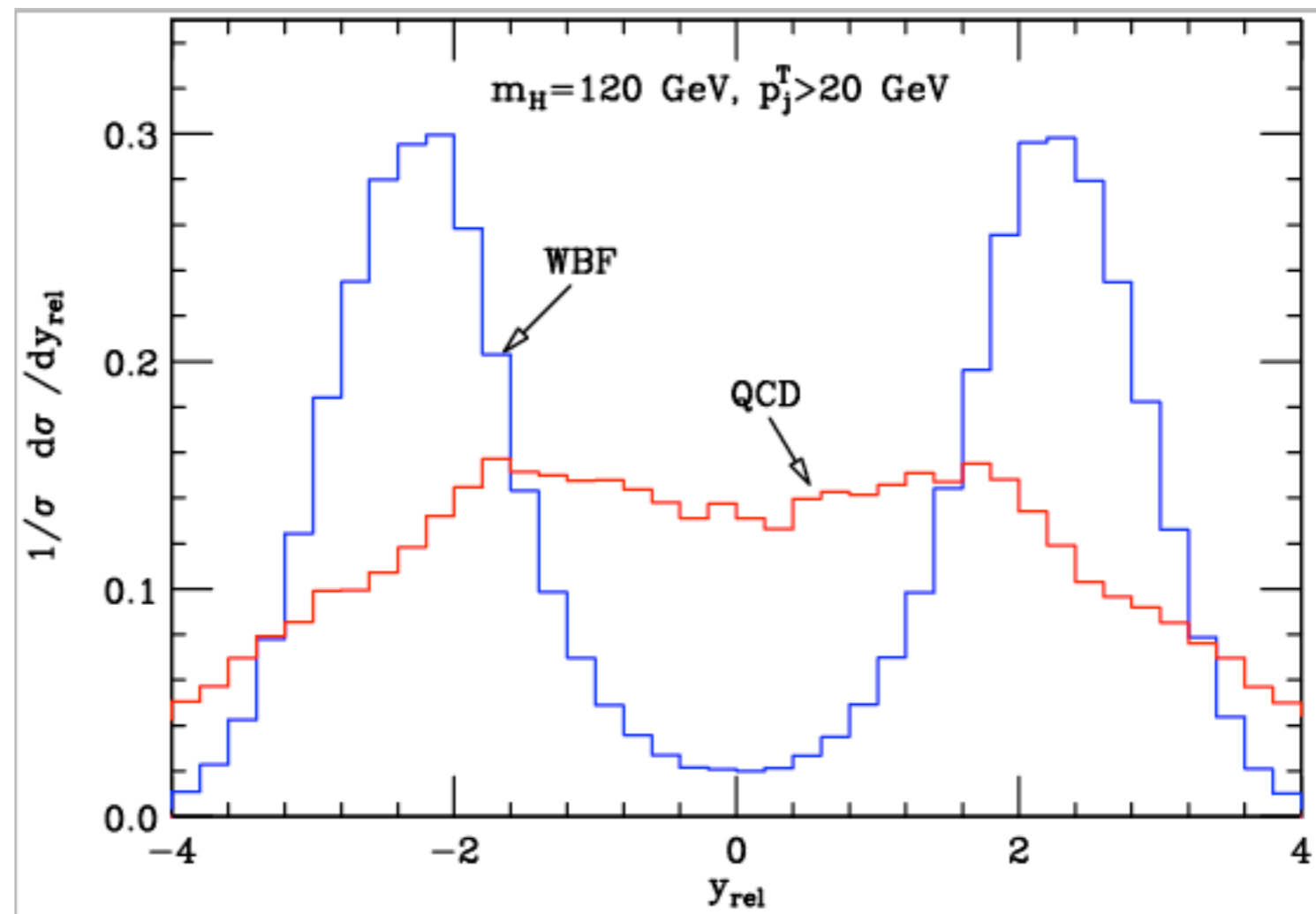
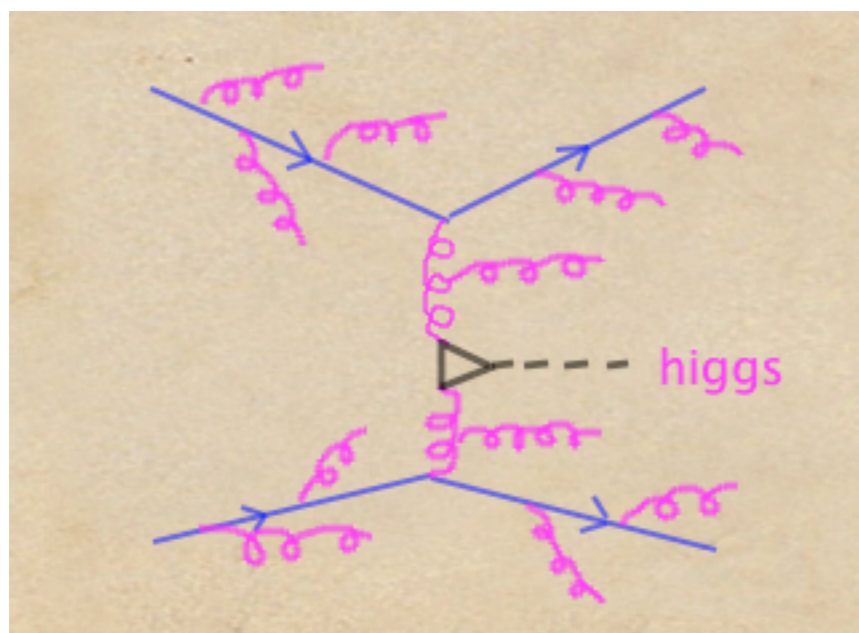
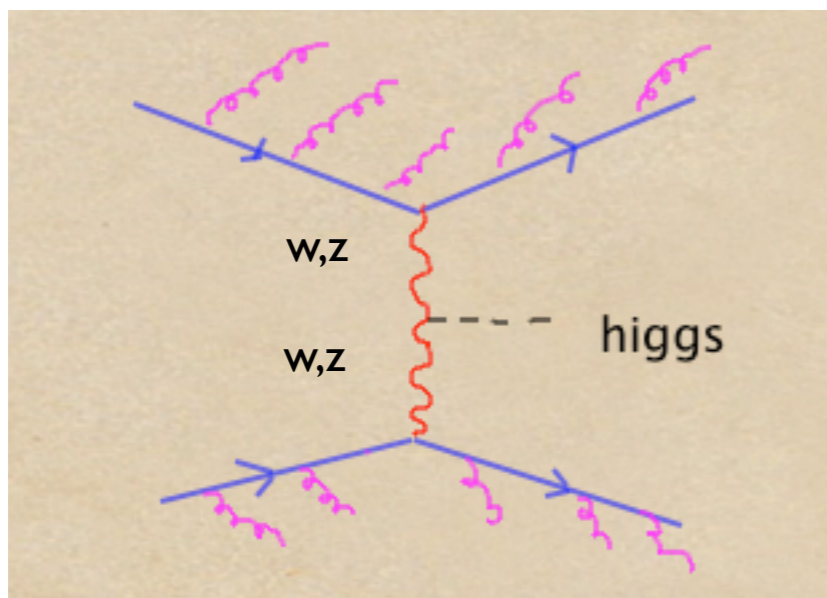


This formulation leads to a graphical representation of the simplifications occurring in the large N_c limit, even though it is exactly equivalent to the usual one.



In the large N_c limit, a gluon behaves as a quark-antiquark pair. In addition it behaves classically, in the sense that quantum interference, which are effects of order $1/N_c^2$ are neglected. Many QCD algorithms and codes (such as the parton showers) are based on this picture.

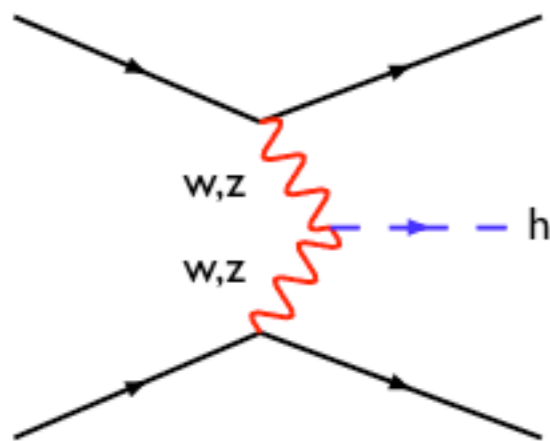
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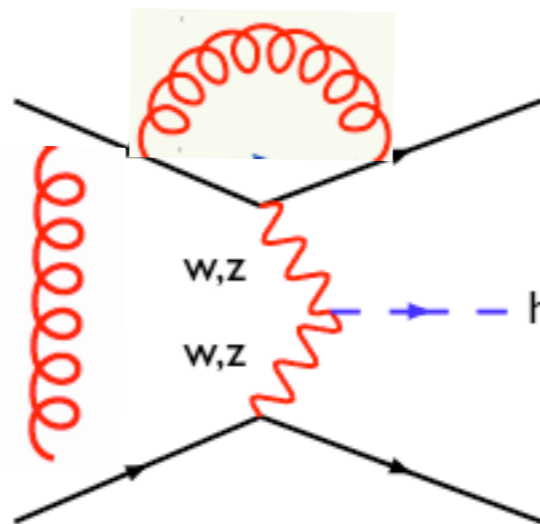
Third jet distribution

Example: VBF fusion

Consider VBF: at LO there is no exchange of color between the quark lines:



$$\delta_{ij} \delta_{kl}$$



$$C_F \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} \Rightarrow$$

$$M_{\text{tree}} M_{1\text{-loop}}^* = C_F N_c^2 \simeq N_c^3$$

$$\frac{1}{2} (\delta_{ik} \delta_{lj} - \frac{1}{N_c} \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl}) \Rightarrow$$

$$M_{\text{tree}} M_{1\text{-loop}}^* = 0$$

Also at NLO there is no color exchange! With one little exception....

At NNLO exchange is possible but it suppressed by $1/N_c^2$

QCD : the fundamentals

1. QCD is a good theory for strong interactions: facts
2. From QED to QCD: the importance of color
3. Renormalization group and asymptotic freedom

Ren. group and asymptotic freedom

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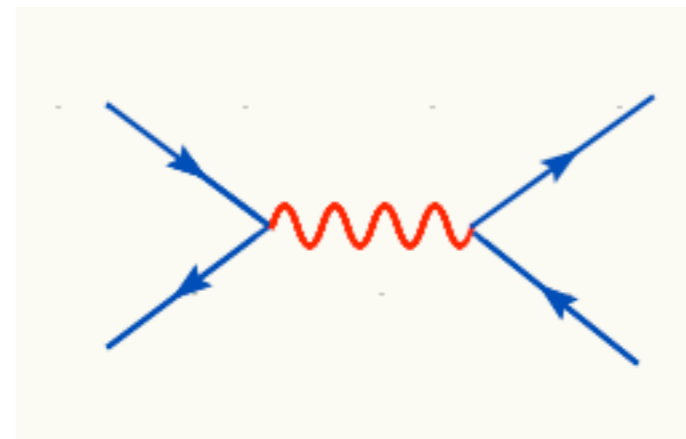
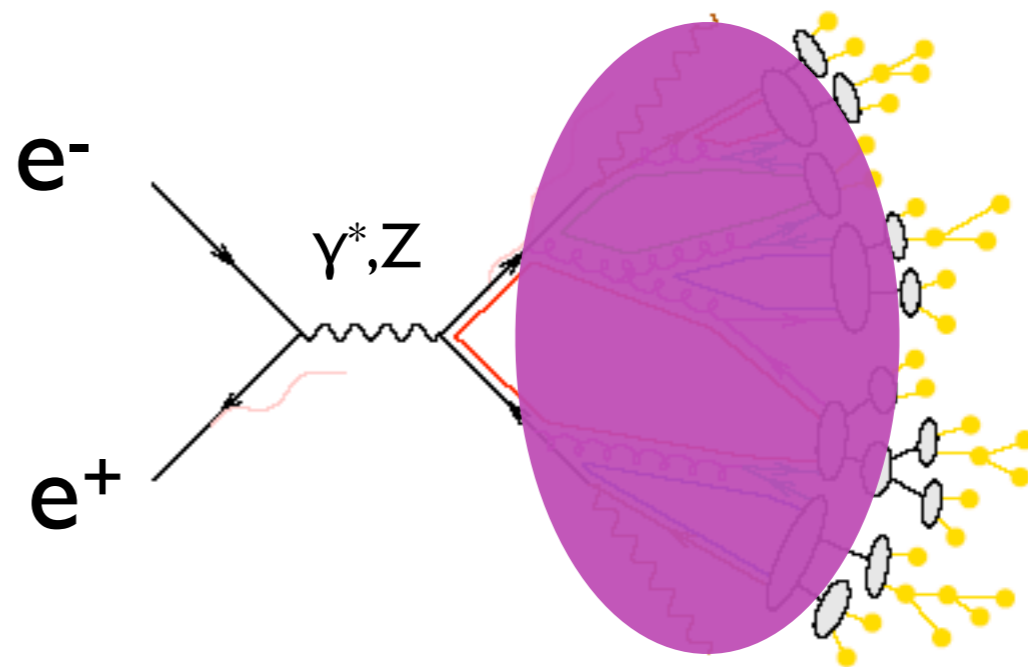
At this point (though we will!) we don't have an idea how to calculate the details of such a process.

So let's take the most inclusive approach ever: we just want to count how many events with hadrons in the final state there are wrt to a pair of muons.

Zeroth Level: $e^+e^- \rightarrow qq$

$$R_0 = \frac{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons})}{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)} = N_c \sum_f Q_f^2$$

Very simple exercise. The calculation is exactly the same as for the $\mu^+\mu^-$.



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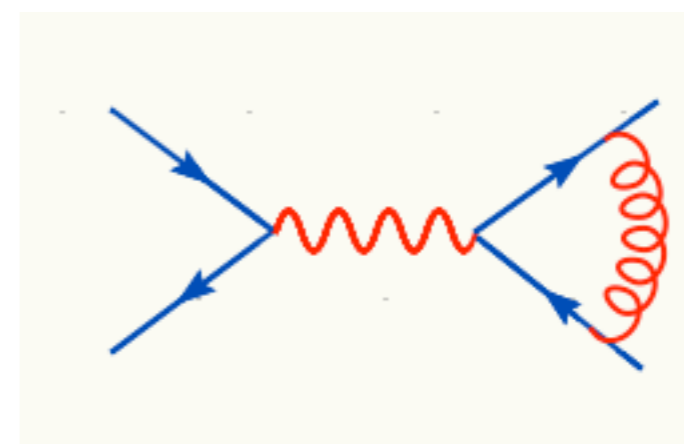
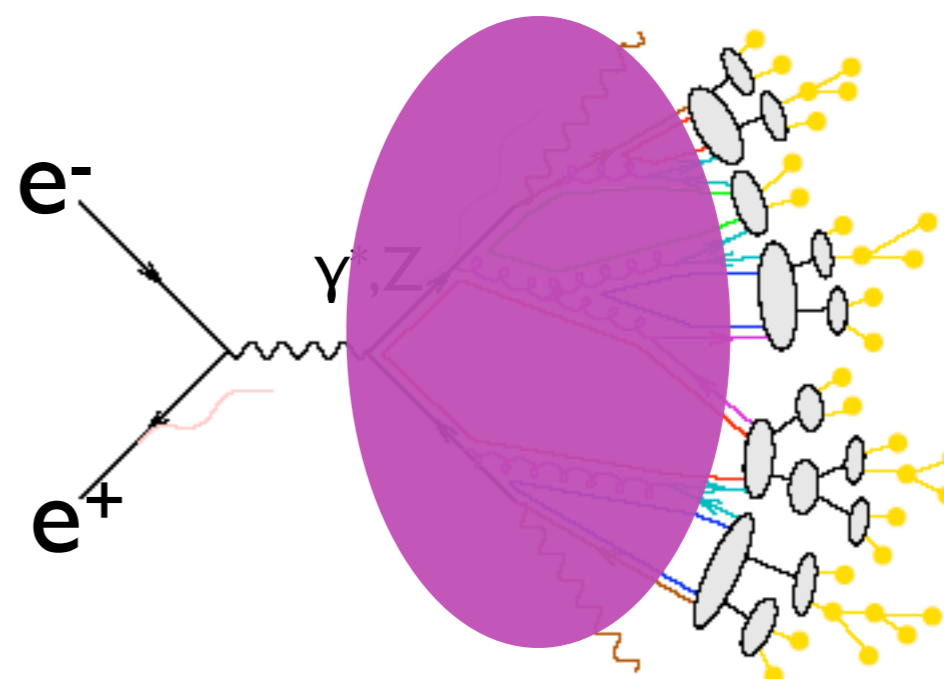
First improvement: $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ at NLO

Already a much more difficult calculation!

There are real and virtual contributions. There are:

- * UV divergences coming from loops
- * IR divergences coming from loops and real diagrams. Ignore the IR for the moment (they cancel anyway) We need some kind of trick to regulate the divergences. Like dimensional regularization or a cutoff M . At the end the result is VERY SIMPLE:

~~No renormalization is needed! Electric charge is left untouched by strong interactions!~~



$$R_1 = R_0 \left(1 + \frac{\alpha_S}{\pi} \right)$$

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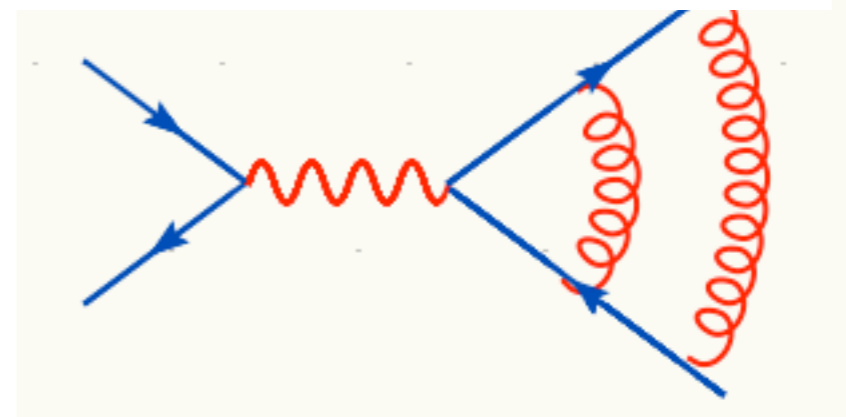
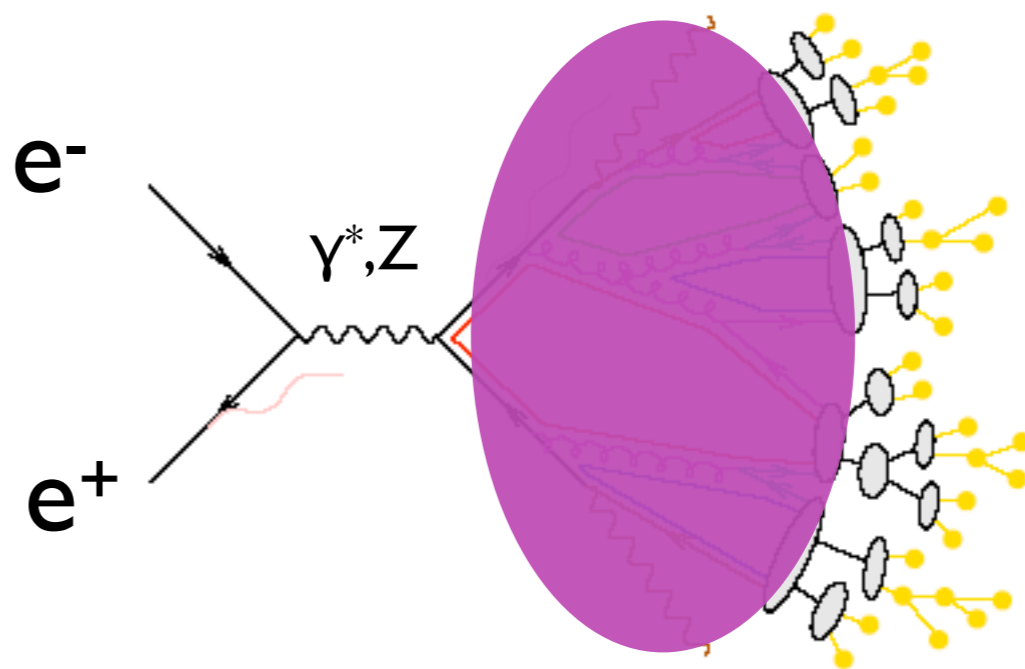
Second improvement: $e^+e^- \rightarrow qq$ at NNLO

Extremely difficult calculation!

Something new happens:

$$R_2 = R_0 \left(1 + \frac{\alpha_S}{\pi} + \left[c + \pi b_0 \log \frac{M^2}{Q^2} \right] \left(\frac{\alpha_S}{\pi} \right)^2 \right)$$

The result is explicitly dependent on the arbitrary cutoff scale. We need to perform normalization of the coupling and since QCD is renormalizable we are guaranteed that this fixes all the UV problems at this order.



$$\alpha_S(\mu) = \alpha_S + b_0 \log \frac{M^2}{\mu^2} \alpha_S^2$$

Ren. group and asymptotic freedom

$$(1) \quad R_2^{\text{ren}}(\alpha_S(\mu), \frac{\mu^2}{Q^2}) = R_0 \left(1 + \frac{\alpha_S(\mu)}{\pi} + \left[c + \pi b_0 \log \frac{\mu^2}{Q^2} \right] \left(\frac{\alpha_S(\mu)}{\pi} \right)^2 \right)$$
$$(2) \quad \alpha_S(\mu) = \alpha_S + b_0 \log \frac{M^2}{\mu^2} \alpha_S^2 \quad b_0 = \frac{11N_c - 2n_f}{12\pi} > 0$$

Comments:

1. Now R_2 is finite but depends on an arbitrary scale μ , directly and through α_S . We had to introduce μ because of the presence of M .
2. Renormalizability guarantees that any physical quantity can be made finite with the SAME substitution. If a quantity at LO is $A\alpha_S^N$ then the UV divergence will be $N A b_0 \log M^2 \alpha_S^{N+1}$.
3. R is a physical quantity and therefore cannot depend on the arbitrary scale μ !! One can show that at order by order:

$$\mu^2 \frac{d}{d\mu^2} R^{\text{ren}} = 0 \Rightarrow R^{\text{ren}}(\alpha_S(\mu), \frac{\mu^2}{Q^2}) = R^{\text{ren}}(\alpha_S(Q), 1)$$

which is obviously verified by Eq. (1). Choosing $\mu \approx Q$ the logs ...are resummed!

Ren. group and asymptotic freedom

$$(2) \quad \alpha_S(\mu) = \alpha_S + b_0 \log \frac{M^2}{\mu^2} \alpha_S^2 \quad b_0 = \frac{11N_c - 2n_f}{12\pi} > 0$$

4. From (2) one finds that:

$$\beta(\alpha_S) \equiv \mu^2 \frac{\partial \alpha_S}{\partial \mu^2} = -b_0 \alpha_S^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \alpha_S(\mu) = \frac{1}{b_0 \log \frac{\mu^2}{\Lambda^2}}$$

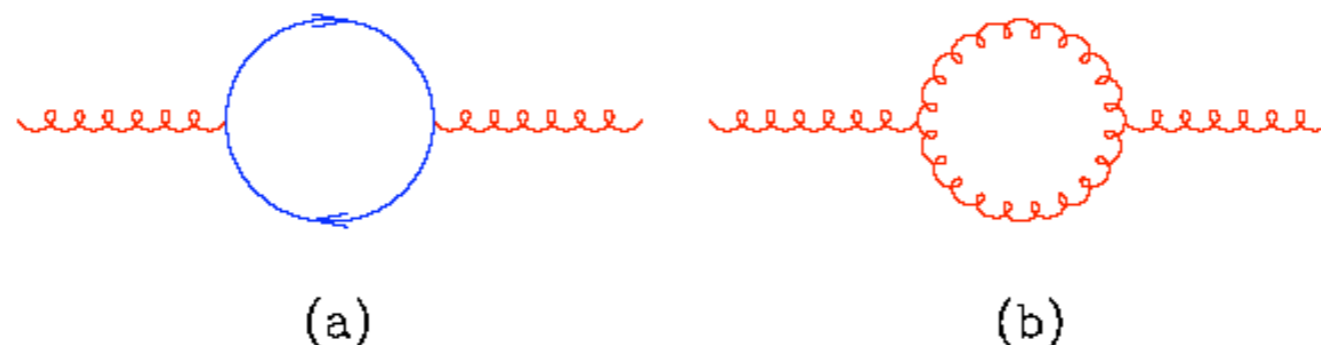
This gives the running of α_S . Since $b_0 > 0$, this expression make sense for all scales $\mu > \Lambda$. In general one has:

$$\frac{d\alpha_S(\mu)}{d \log \mu^2} = -b_0 \alpha_S^2(\mu) - b_1 \alpha_S^3(\mu) - b_2 \alpha_S^4(\mu) + \dots$$

where all b_i are finite (renormalization!). At present we know the b_i up to b_3 (4 loop calculation!!). b_1 and b_2 are renormalization scheme independent. Note that the expression for $\alpha_S(\mu)$ changes accordingly to the loop order. At two loops we have:

$$\alpha_S(\mu) = \frac{1}{b_0 \log \frac{\mu^2}{\Lambda^2}} \left[1 - \frac{b_1}{b_0^2} \frac{\log \log \mu^2 / \Lambda^2}{\log \mu^2 / \Lambda^2} \right]$$

Why is the beta function negative in QCD?

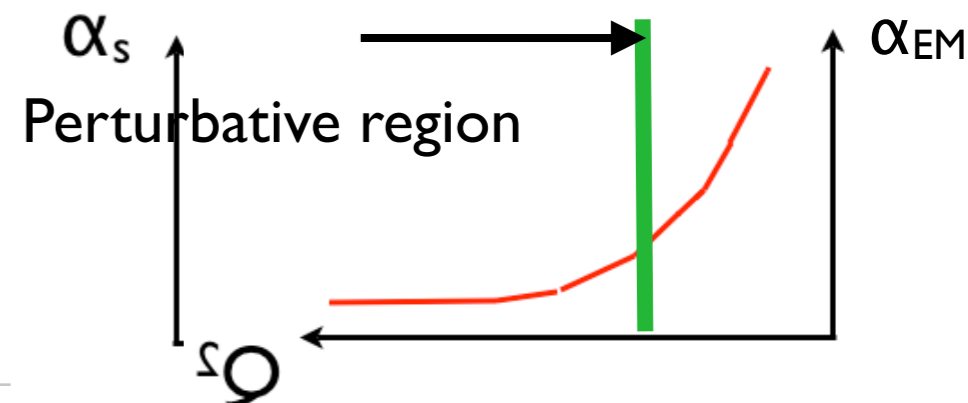


Roughly speaking, quark loop diagram (a) contributes a negative N_f term in b_0 , while the gluon loop, diagram (b) gives a positive contribution proportional to the number of colors N_c , which is dominant and make the overall beta function negative.

$$b_0 = \frac{11N_c - 2n_f}{12\pi} > 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \beta(\alpha_s) < 0 \text{ in QCD}$$

$$b_0 = -\frac{n_f}{3\pi} < 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \beta(\alpha_s) > 0 \text{ in QED}$$

$$\alpha_{EM}(\mu) = \frac{1}{b_0 \log \frac{\mu^2}{\Lambda_{QED}^2}}$$



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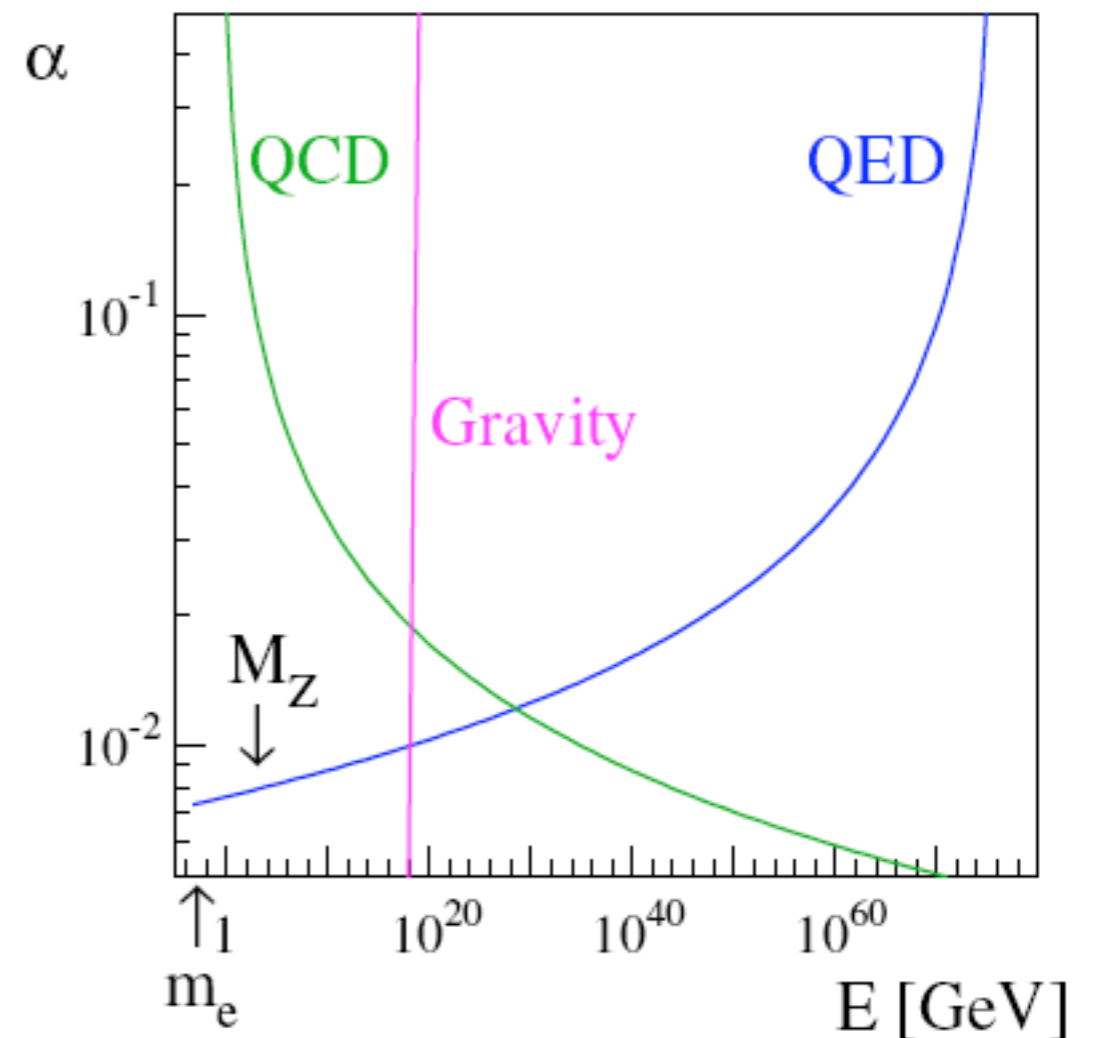
(a)

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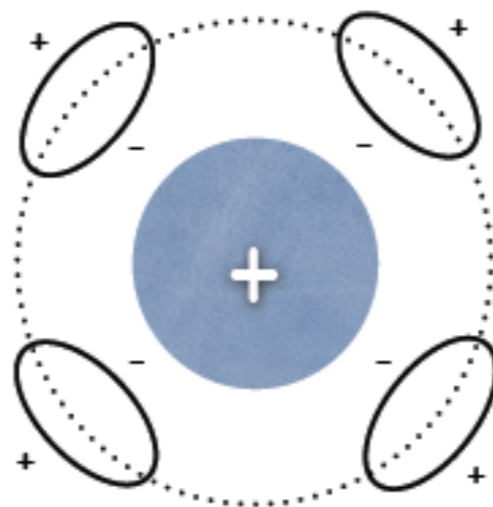
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Why is the beta function negative in QCD?

QED

charge screening



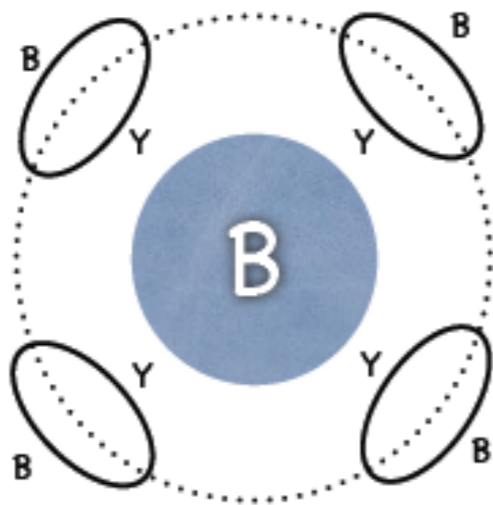
as a result the charge increases as you get closer to the center

DIELECTRIC $\epsilon > 1$

Why is the beta function negative in QCD?

QCD

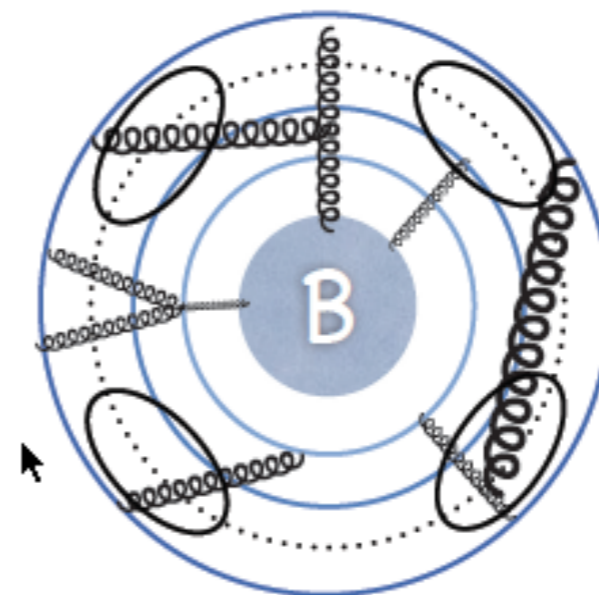
charge screening
from quarks



DIAMAGNETIC $\mu < 1$
(=DIELECTRIC $\epsilon > 1$, SINCE $\mu\epsilon = 1$)

$$\delta\mu = -\left(-1/3 + \left(2 \times \frac{1}{2}\right)^2\right)q^2 = -\frac{2}{3}q^2$$

charge anti-screening
from gluons



PARAMAGNETIC $\mu > 1$

$$\delta\mu = \left(-1/3 + 2^2\right)q^2 = \frac{11}{3}q^2$$

gluons align as little magnets along the color lines and make the field increase at larger distances.

Ren. group and asymptotic freedom

Given

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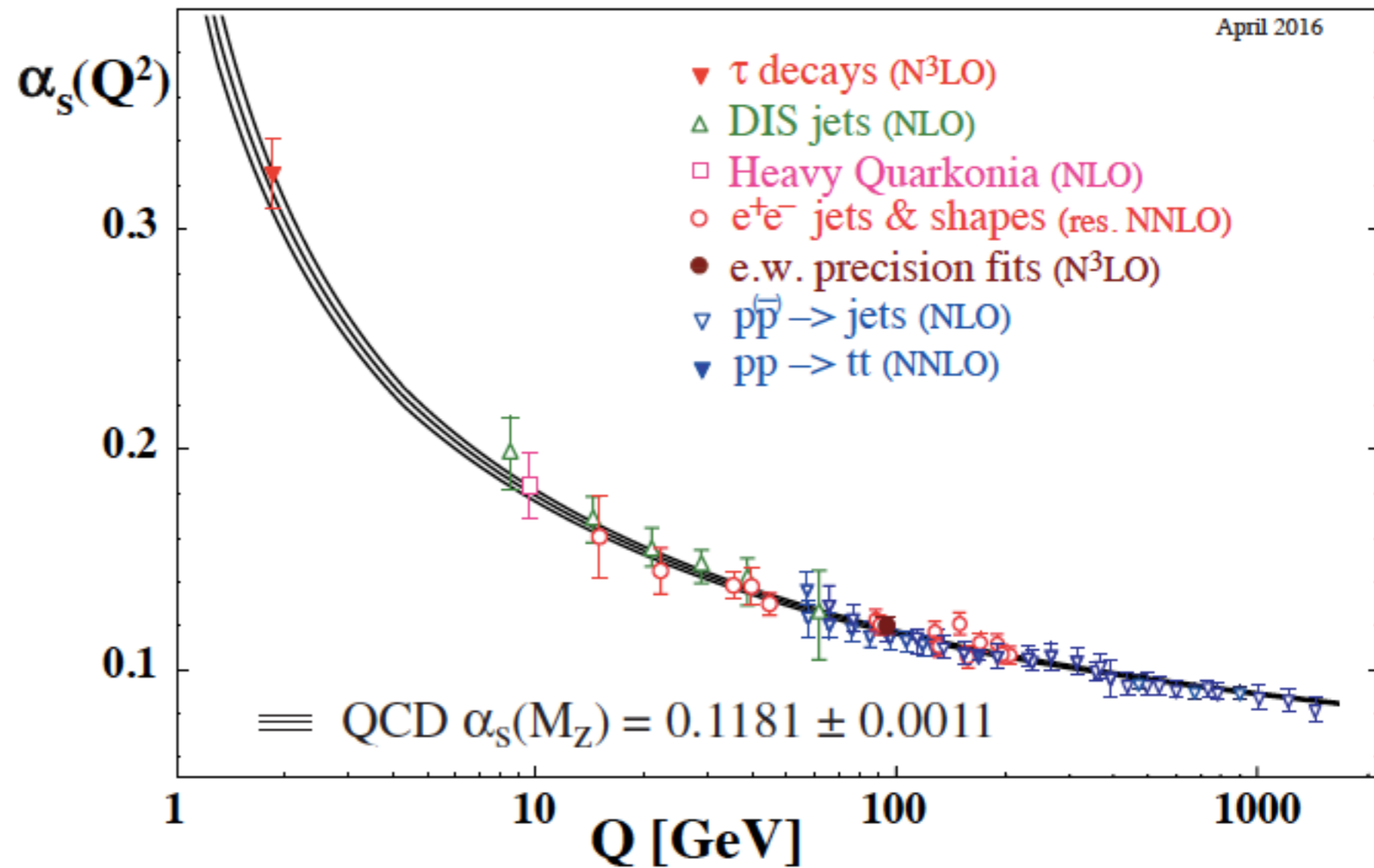
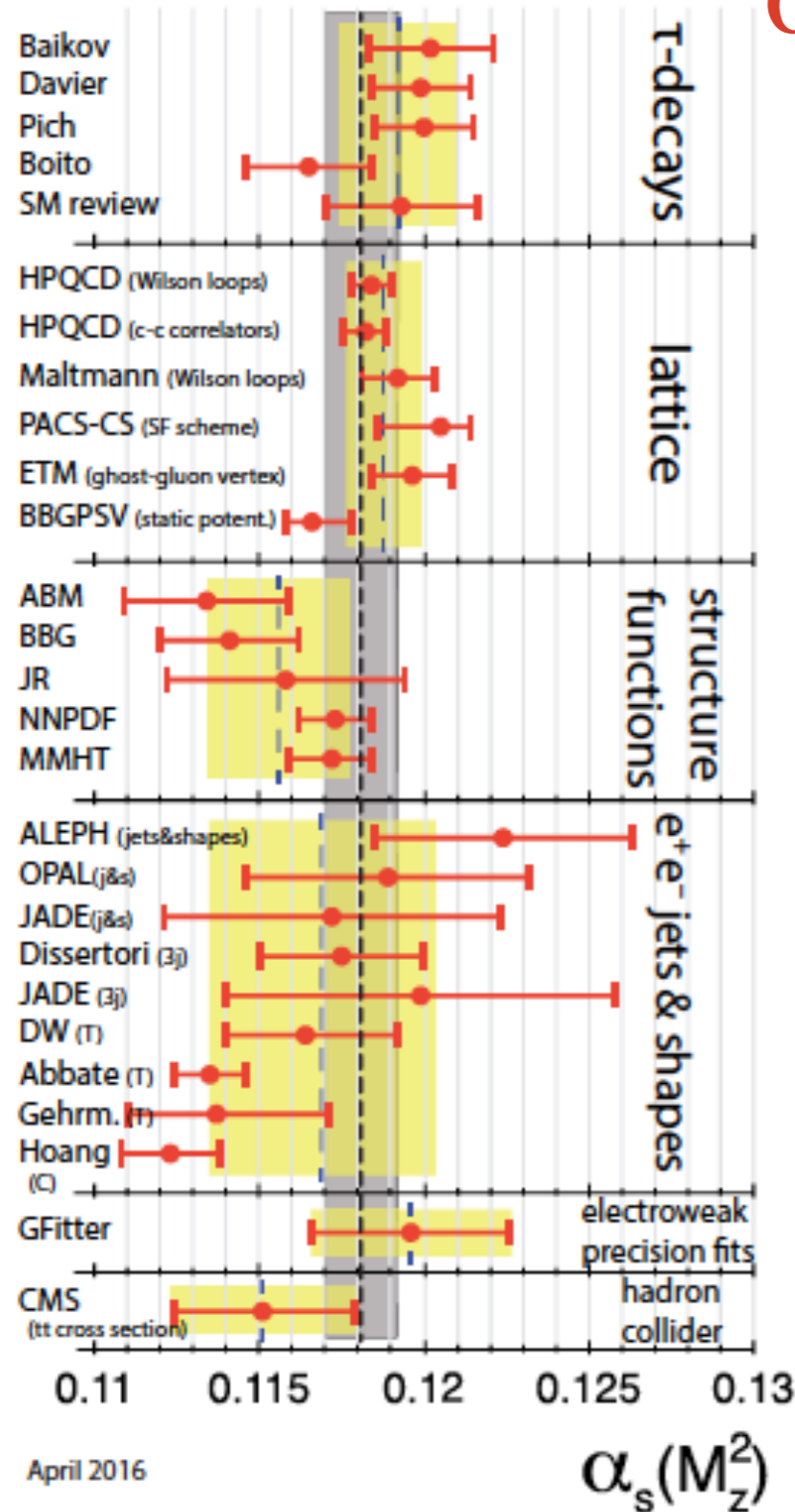
It is tempting to use identify Λ with $\Lambda_S=300$ MeV and see what we get for LEP I

$$R(M_Z) = R_0 \left(1 + \frac{\alpha_S(M_Z)}{\pi} \right) = R_0(1 + 0.046)$$

which is in very reasonable agreement with LEP.

This example is very sloppy since it does not take into account heavy flavor thresholds, higher order effects, and so on. However it is important to stress that had we measured 8% effect at LEP I we would have extracted $\Lambda=5$ GeV, a totally unacceptable value...

α_S : Experimental results



$$\equiv \text{QCD } \alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1181 \pm 0.0011$$

Many measurements at different scales all leading to very consistent results once evolved to the same reference scale, M_Z .

Summary

- ❖ We have given evidence of why we think QCD is a good theory: hadron spectrum, scaling, QCD is a renormalizable and asymptotically free QFT, low energy (broken) symmetries.
- ❖ We have seen how gauge invariance is realized in QCD starting from QED.
- ❖ We have illustrated with an example the use of the renormalization group and the appearance of asymptotic freedom.

Scale dependence

$$R_2^{\text{ren}}(\alpha_S(\mu), \frac{\mu^2}{Q^2}) = R_0 \left(1 + \frac{\alpha_S(\mu)}{\pi} + \left[c + \pi b_0 \log \frac{\mu^2}{Q^2} \right] \left(\frac{\alpha_S(\mu)}{\pi} \right)^2 \right)$$

As we said, at all orders physical quantities do not depend on the choice of the renormalization scale. At fixed order, however, there is a residual dependence due to the non-cancellation of the higher order logs:

$$\frac{d}{d \log \mu} \sum_{n=1}^N c_n(\mu) \alpha_S^n(\mu) \sim \mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^{N+1}(\mu))$$

So possible (related) questions are:

- * Is there a systematic procedure to estimate the residual uncertainty in the theoretical prediction?
- * Is it possible to identify a scale corresponding to our best guess for the theoretical prediction?

BTW: The above argument proves that the more we work the better a prediction becomes!

Scale dependence

Cross section for $e^+e^- \rightarrow$ hadrons:

$$\sigma_{tot} = \frac{12\pi\alpha^2}{s} \left(\sum_q q_f^2 \right) (1 + \Delta)$$

Let's take our best TH prediction

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta(\mu) &= \frac{\alpha_S(\mu)}{\pi} + [1.41 + 1.92 \log(\mu^2/s)] \left(\frac{\alpha_S(\mu)}{\pi} \right)^2 \\ &= [-12.8 + 7.82 \log(\mu^2/s) + 3.67 \log^2(\mu^2/s)] \left(\frac{\alpha_S(\mu)}{\pi} \right)^3 \end{aligned}$$

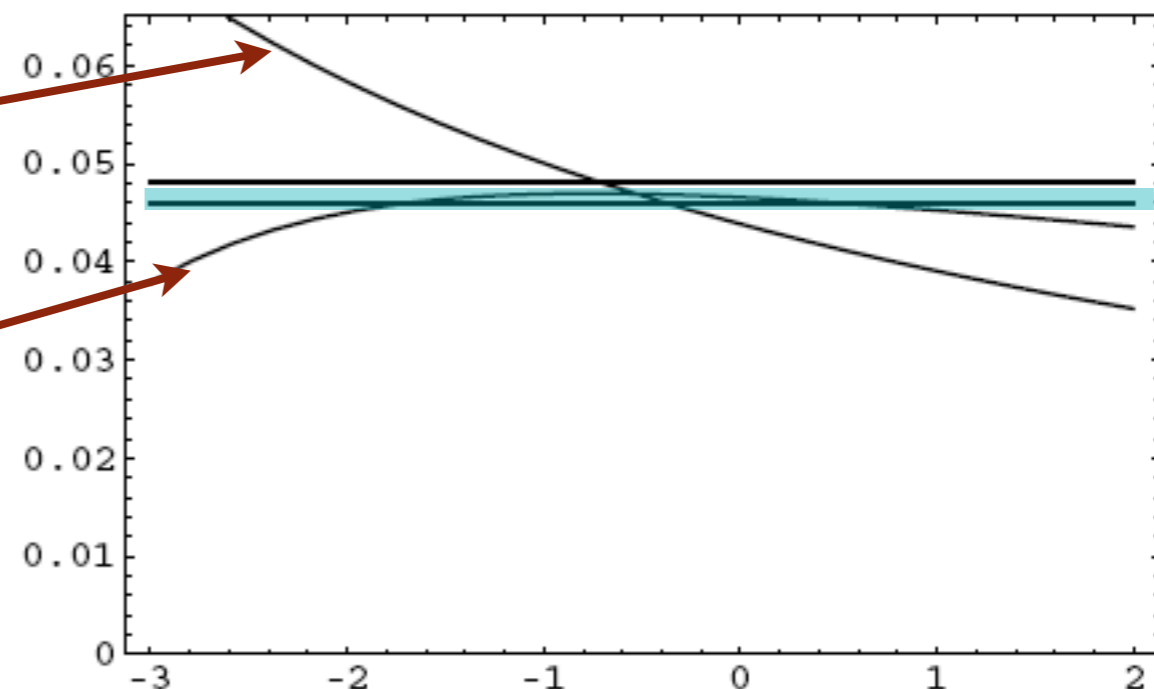
Scale dependence

Take $\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.117$, $\sqrt{s} = 34$ GeV, 5 flavors and let's plot $\Delta(\mu)$ as function of p where $\mu = 2^p \sqrt{s}$.

First curve Δ_1

Second curve Δ_2

Possible choice:



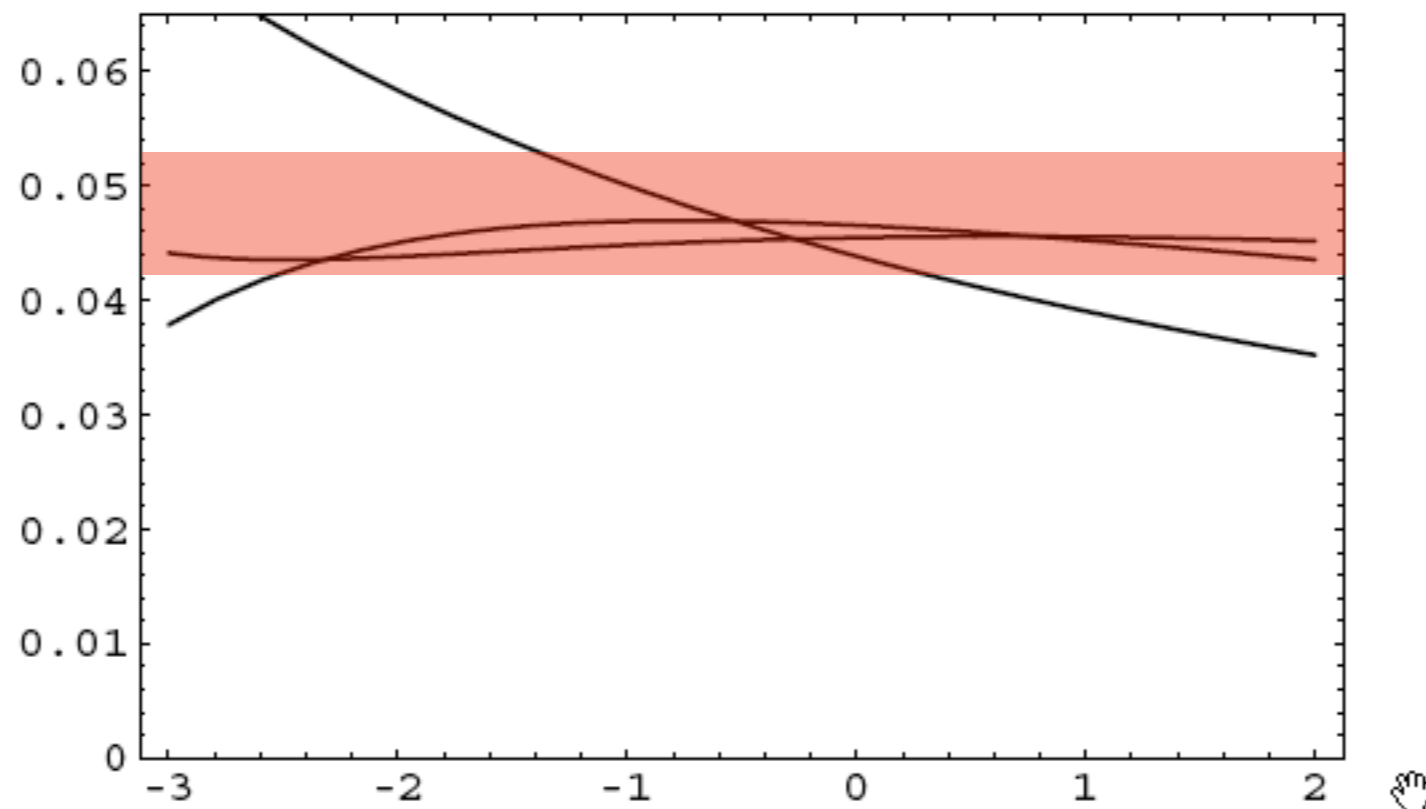
$\Delta_{\text{PMS}} = \Delta(\mu_0)$ where at μ_0 $d\Delta/d\mu=0$
and error band $p \in [1/2, 2]$

Principle of minimal sensitivity!

Improvement of a factor of two from LO to NLO!
How good is our error estimate?

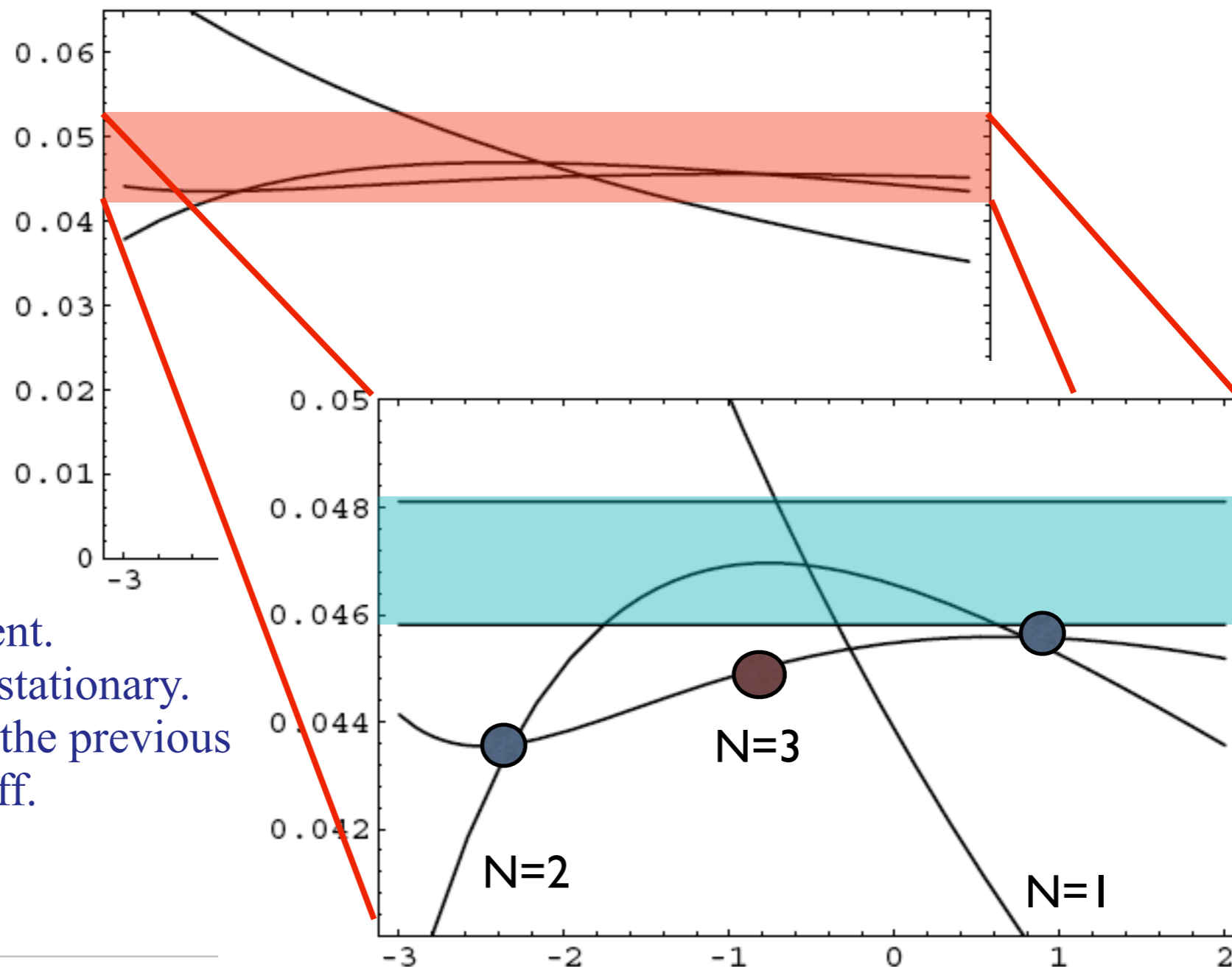
Scale dependence

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N=3 less scale dependent.
Two places where μ is stationary.
Take the average, then the previous estimate was slightly off.

Scale dependence

Bottom line

There is no theorem that states the right 95% confidence interval for the uncertainty associated to the scale dependence of a theoretical predictions.

There are however many recipes available, where educated guesses (meaning physical). For example the so-called BLM choice.

In hadron-hadron collisions things are even more complicated due to the presence of another scale, the factorization scale, and in general also on a multi-scale processes...

Plan

1. Intro and QCD fundamentals

2. QCD in the final state : $e^+ e^-$ collisions

3. QCD in the initial state : $p p$ collisions

$e^+ e^-$ collisions : QCD in the final state

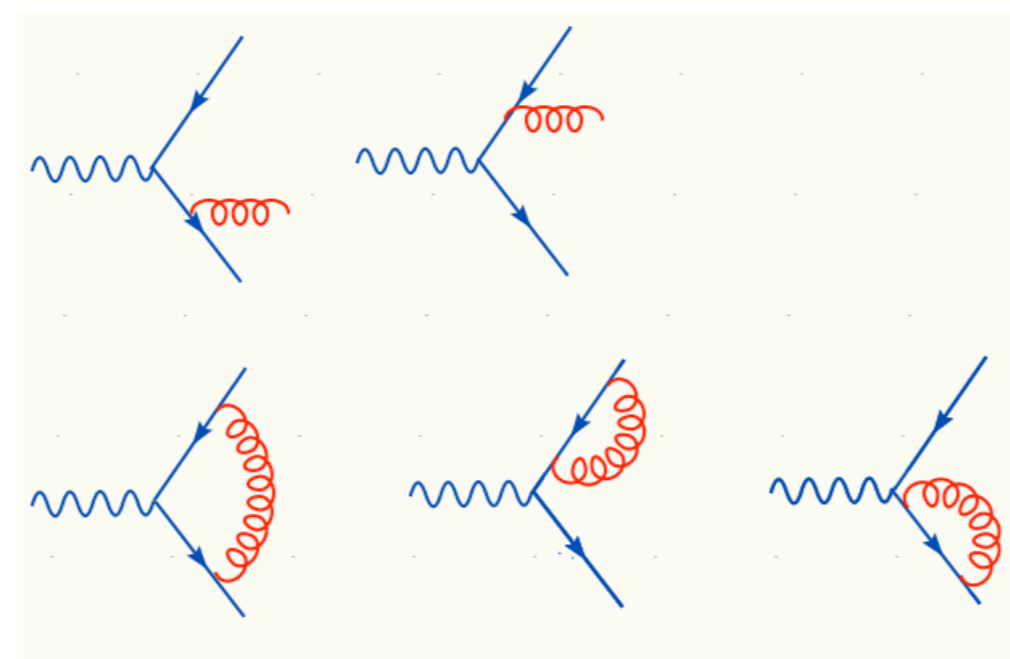
1. Infrared safety
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New set of questions

The “infrared” behaviour of QCD

1. How can we identify a cross sections for producing quarks and gluons with a cross section for producing hadrons?
2. Given the fact that free quarks are not observed, why is the computed Born cross section so good?
3. Are there other calculable, i.e., that do not depend on the non-perturbative dynamics (like hadronization), quantities besides the total cross section?

Anatomy of a NLO calculation



Real

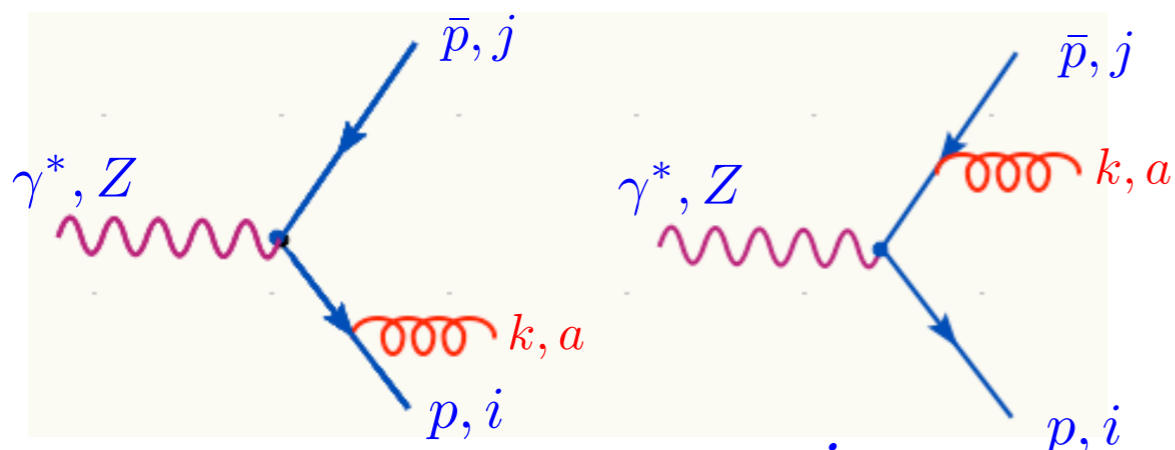
Virtual

The KLN theorem states that divergences appear because some of the final state are physically degenerate but we treated them as different. A final state with a soft gluon is nearly degenerate with a final state with no gluon at all (virtual).

$$\sigma^{\text{NLO}} = \int_R |M_{\text{real}}|^2 d\Phi_3 + \int_V 2\text{Re} (M_0 M_{\text{virt}}^*) d\Phi_2 = \text{finite!}$$

$\int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} \dots$

Anatomy of a NLO calculation



Let's consider the real gluon emission corrections to the process $e^+e^- \rightarrow qq$. The full calculation is a little bit tedious, but since we are in any case interested in the issues arising in the infra-red, we already start in that approximation.

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= \bar{u}(p) \not{\epsilon} (-ig_s) \frac{-i}{\not{p} + \not{k}} \Gamma^\mu v(\bar{p}) t^a + \bar{u}(p) \Gamma^\mu \frac{i}{\not{\bar{p}} + \not{k}} (-ig_s) \not{\epsilon} v(\bar{p}) t^a \\
 &= -g_s \left[\frac{\bar{u}(p) \not{\epsilon} (\not{p} + \not{k}) \Gamma^\mu v(\bar{p})}{2p \cdot k} - \frac{\bar{u}(p) \Gamma^\mu (\not{\bar{p}} + \not{k}) \not{\epsilon} v(\bar{p})}{2\bar{p} \cdot k} \right] t^a
 \end{aligned}$$

The denominators $2p \cdot k = p_0 k_0 (1 - \cos \theta)$ give singularities for collinear ($\cos \theta \rightarrow 1$) or soft ($k_0 \rightarrow 0$) emission. By neglecting k in the numerators and using the Dirac equation, the amplitude simplifies and factorizes over the Born amplitude:

$$A_{soft} = -g_s t^a \left(\frac{p \cdot \epsilon}{p \cdot k} - \frac{\bar{p} \cdot \epsilon}{\bar{p} \cdot k} \right) A_{Born} \quad A_{Born} = \bar{u}(p) \Gamma^\mu v(\bar{p})$$

Factorization: Independence of long-wavelength (soft) emission from the hard (short-distance) process. Soft emission is universal!!

Anatomy of a NLO calculation

By squaring the amplitude we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{q\bar{q}g}^{\text{REAL}} &= C_F g_s^2 \sigma_{q\bar{q}}^{\text{Born}} \int \frac{d^3 k}{2k^0 (2\pi)^3} 2 \frac{p \cdot \bar{p}}{(p \cdot k)(\bar{p} \cdot k)} \\ &= C_F \frac{\alpha_S}{2\pi} \sigma_{q\bar{q}}^{\text{Born}} \int d \cos \theta \frac{dk^0}{k^0} \frac{4}{(1 - \cos \theta)(1 + \cos \theta)} \end{aligned}$$

Two collinear divergences and a soft one. Very often you find the integration over phase space expressed in terms of x_1 and x_2 , the fraction of energies of the quark and anti-quark:

$$x_1 = 1 - x_2 x_3 (1 - \cos \theta_{23}) / 2$$

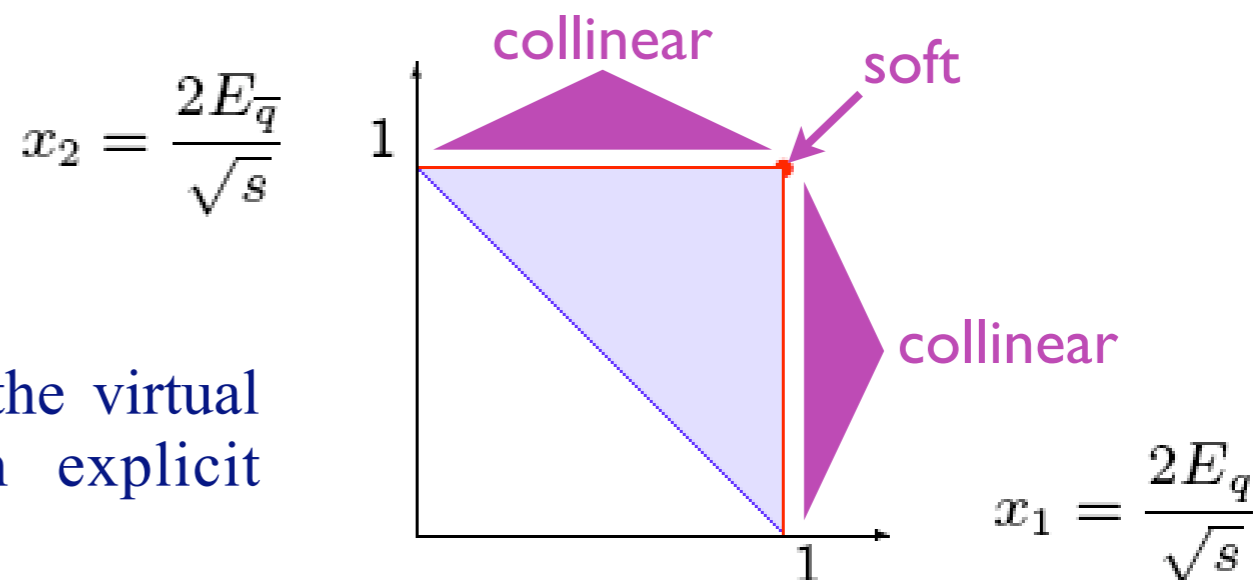
$$x_2 = 1 - x_1 x_3 (1 - \cos \theta_{13}) / 2$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 2$$

$$0 \leq x_1, x_2 \leq 1, \quad \text{and} \quad x_1 + x_2 \geq 1$$

So we can now predict the divergent part of the virtual contribution, while for the finite part an explicit calculation is necessary:

$$\sigma_{q\bar{q}}^{\text{VIRT}} = -\sigma_{q\bar{q}}^{\text{Born}} C_F \frac{\alpha_S}{2\pi} \int d \cos \theta' \frac{dk'_0}{k'_0} \frac{1}{1 - \cos^2 \theta'} 2\delta(k'_0) [\delta(1 - \cos \theta') + \delta(1 + \cos \theta')] + \dots$$



Anatomy of a NLO calculation

Summary:

$$\sigma^{\text{REAL}} + \sigma^{\text{VIRT}} = \infty - \infty = ?$$

Solution: regularize the “intermediate” divergences, by giving a gluon a mass (see later) or going to $d=4-2\epsilon$ dimensions.

$$\int^1 \frac{1}{1-x} dx = -\log 0 \xrightarrow{\text{regularization}} \int^1 \frac{(1-x)^{-2\epsilon}}{1-x} dx = -\frac{1}{2\epsilon}$$

This gives:

$$\sigma^{\text{REAL}} = \sigma^{\text{Born}} C_F \frac{\alpha_S}{2\pi} \left(\frac{2}{\epsilon^2} + \frac{3}{\epsilon} + \frac{19}{2} - \pi^2 \right)$$

$$\sigma^{\text{VIRT}} = \sigma^{\text{Born}} C_F \frac{\alpha_S}{2\pi} \left(-\frac{2}{\epsilon^2} - \frac{3}{\epsilon} - 8 + \pi^2 \right)$$

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} (\sigma^{\text{REAL}} + \sigma^{\text{VIRT}}) = C_F \frac{3}{4} \frac{\alpha_S}{\pi} \sigma^{\text{Born}}$$

$$R_1 = R_0 \left(1 + \frac{\alpha_S}{\pi} \right) \quad \text{as presented before}$$

New set of questions

1. How can we identify a cross sections for producing (few) quarks and gluons with a cross section for producing (many) hadrons?
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Answers:

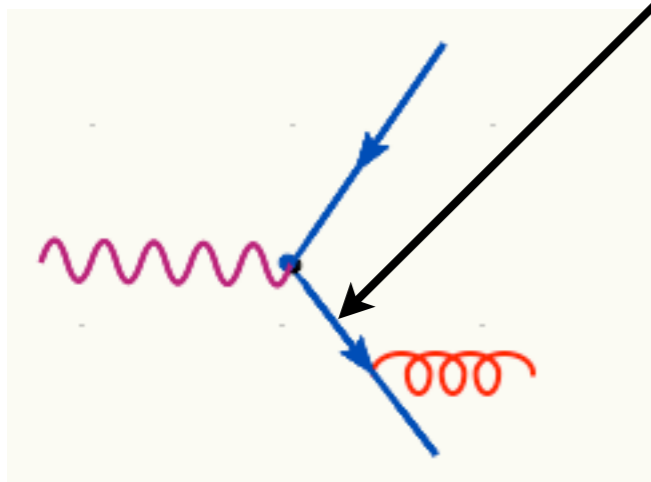
The Born cross section IS NOT the cross section for producing $q \bar{q}$, since the coefficients of the perturbative expansion are infinite! But this is not a problem since we don't observe $q \bar{q}$ and nothing else. So there is no contradiction here.

On the other hand the cross section for producing hadrons is finite order by order and its lowest order approximation IS the Born.

A further insight can be gained by thinking of what happens in QED and what is different there. For instance soft and collinear divergence are also there. In QED one can prove that cross section for producing “only two muons” is zero...

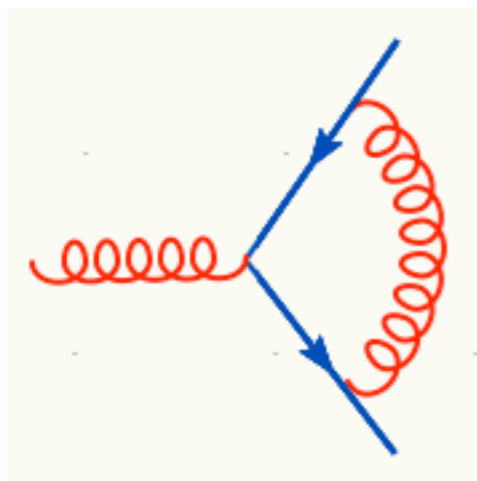
Infrared divergences

$$A_{soft} = -g_s t^a \left(\frac{p \cdot \epsilon}{p \cdot k} - \frac{\bar{p} \cdot \epsilon}{\bar{p} \cdot k} \right) A_{Born}$$



Even in high-energy, short-distance regime, long-distance aspects of QCD cannot be ignored.

This is because there are configurations in phase space for gluons and quarks, i.e. when gluons are soft and/or when pairs of partons are collinear.

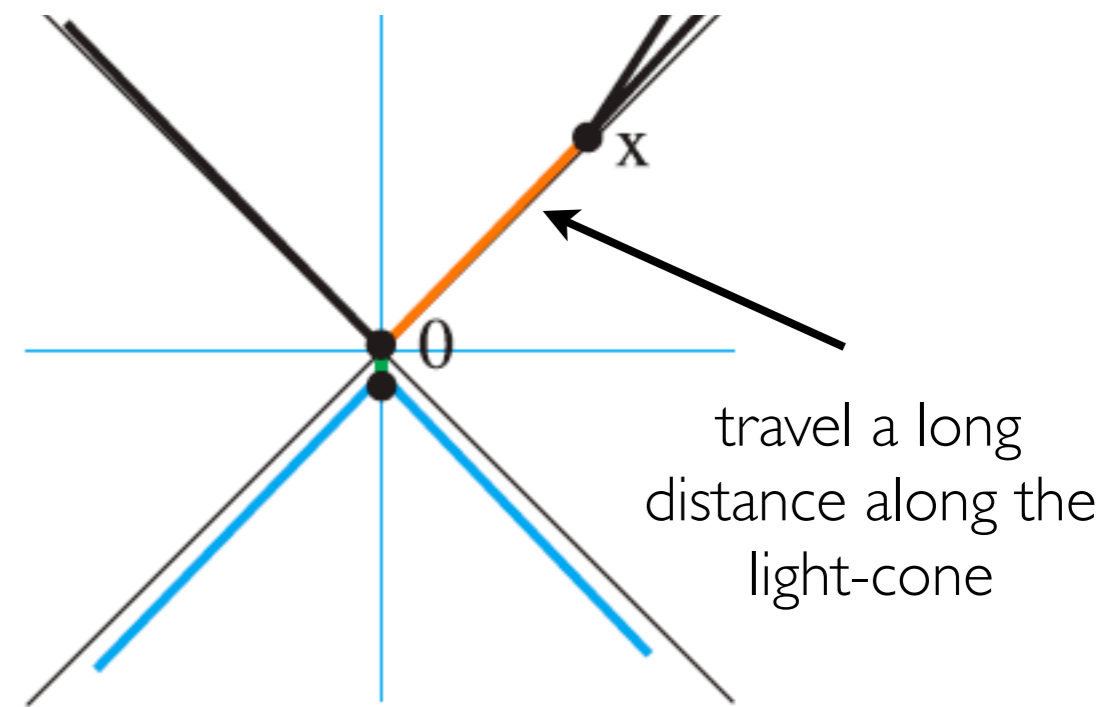
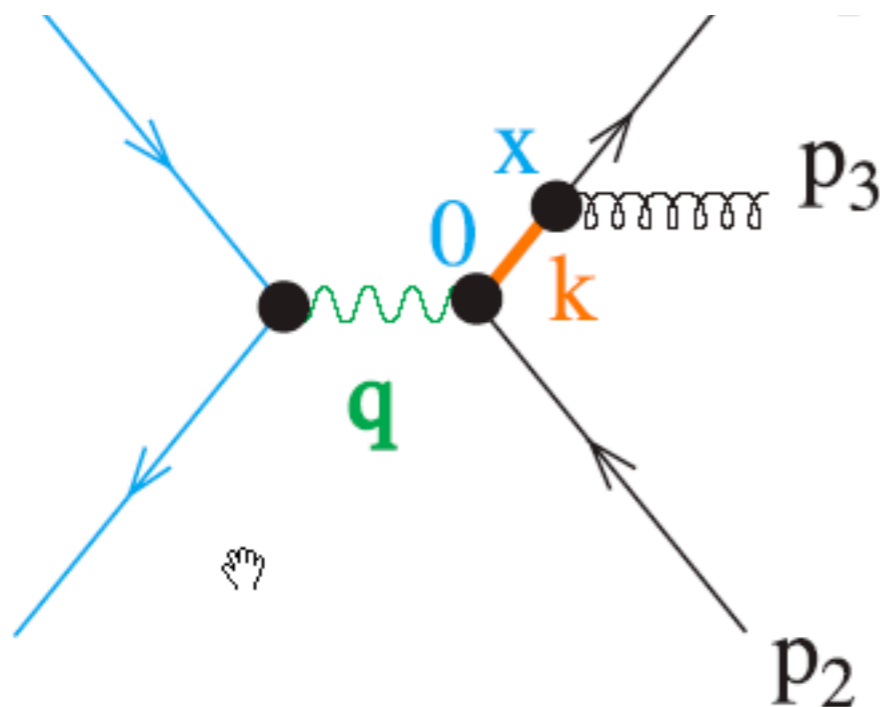


$$\Rightarrow \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{1}{k^2 (k+p)^2 (k-\bar{p})^2}$$

also for soft and collinear or collinear configurations associated to the virtual partons with the region of integration of the loop momenta.

Space-time picture of IR singularities

The singularities can be understood in terms of light-cone coordinates. Take $p^\mu=(p^0, p^1, p^2, p^3)$ and define $p^\pm=(p^0\pm p^3)/\sqrt{2}$. Then choose the direction of the + axis as the one of the largest between + and -. A particle with small virtuality travels for a long time along the x^+ direction.



$$k^+ \simeq \sqrt{s}/2 \quad \text{large}$$

$$k^- \simeq (k^T + 2k^+ k^-) \sqrt{s}/2 \quad \text{small}$$

$$x^+ \simeq 1/k^- \quad \text{large}$$

$$x^- \simeq 1/k^+ \quad \text{small}$$

Infrared divergences

Infrared divergences arise from interactions that happen a long time after the creation of the quark/antiquark pair.

When distances become comparable to the hadron size of ~ 1 Fermi, quasi-free partons of the perturbative calculation are confined/hadronized non-perturbatively.

We have seen that in total cross sections such divergences cancel. But what about for other quantities?

Obviously, the only possibility is to try to use the pQCD calculations for quantities that are not sensitive to the to the long-distance physics.

Can we formulate a criterium that is valid in general?

YES! It is called INFRARED SAFETY

Infrared-safe quantities

DEFINITION: quantities are that are insensitive to soft and collinear branching.

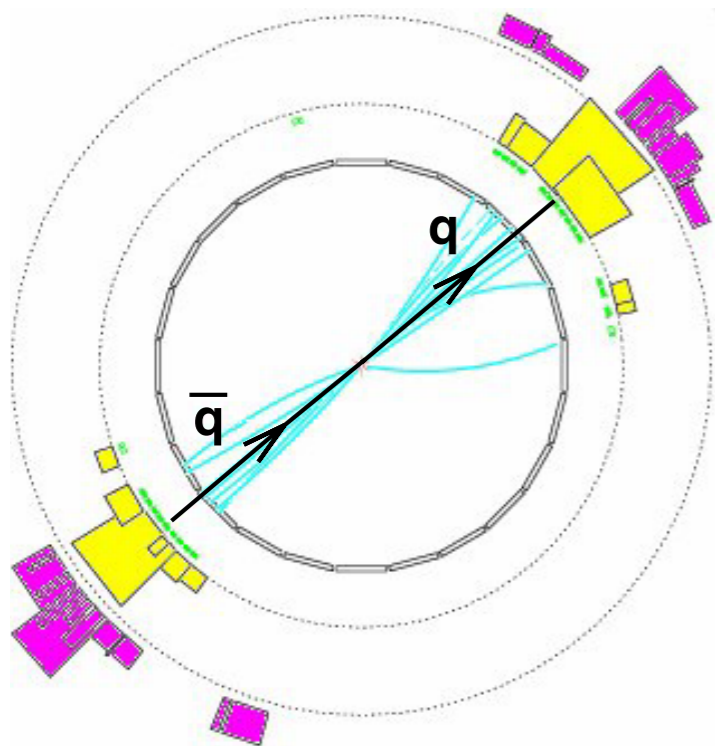
For these quantities, an extension of the general theorem (KLN) exists which proves that infrared divergences cancel between real and virtual or are simply removed by kinematic factors.

Such quantities are determined primarily by hard, short-distance physics. Long-distance effects give power corrections, suppressed by the inverse power of a large momentum scale (which must be present in the first place to justify the use of PT).

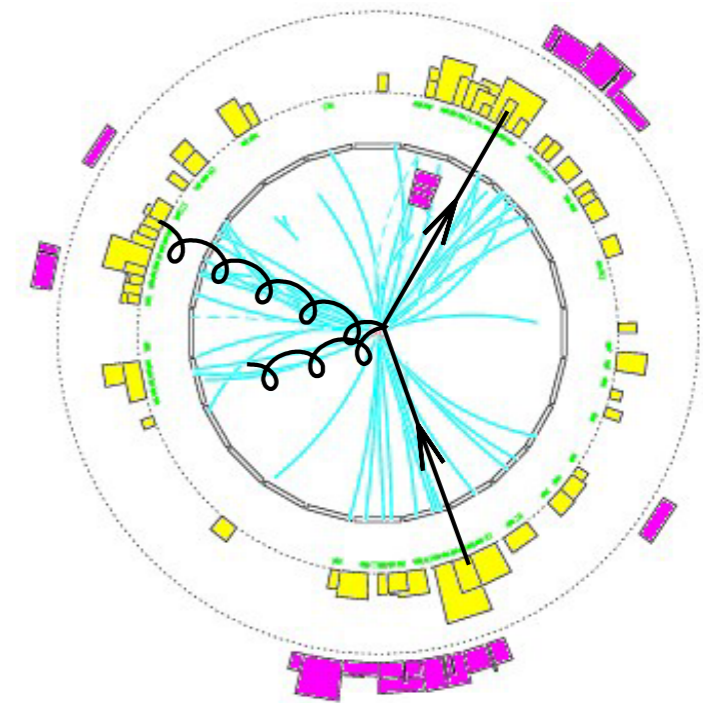
Examples:

1. Multiplicity of gluons is **not** IRC safe
2. Energy of hardest particle is **not** IRC safe
3. Energy flow into a cone **is** IRC safe

Event shape variables



pencil-like



spherical

Event shape variables

The idea is to give more information than just total cross section by defining “shapes” of an hadronic event (pencil-like, planar, spherical, etc..)

In order to be comparable with theory it MUST be IR-safe, that means that the quantity should not change if one of the parton “branches” $p_k \rightarrow p_i + p_j$

Examples are: Thrust, Spherocity, C-parameters,...

Similar quantities exist for hadron collider too, but they much less used (so far...)

Name of Observable	Definition	Typical Value for:	QCD calculation
Thrust	$T = \max_{\vec{n}} \left(\frac{\sum_i \vec{p}_i \cdot \vec{n} }{\sum_i \vec{p}_i } \right)$	1 $\geq 2/3$ $\geq 1/2$	(resummed) $O(\alpha_s^2)$
Thrust major	Like T, however T_{maj} and \vec{n}_{maj} in plane $\perp \vec{n}_T$	0 $\leq 1/3$ $\leq 1/\sqrt{2}$	$O(\alpha_s^2)$
Thrust minor	Like T, however T_{min} and \vec{n}_{min} in direction \perp to \vec{n}_T and \vec{n}_{maj}	0 0 $\leq 1/2$	$O(\alpha_s^2)$
Oblateness	$O = T_{maj} - T_{min}$	0 $\leq 1/3$ 0	$O(\alpha_s^2)$
Sphericity	$S = 1.5 (Q_1 + Q_2)$; $Q_1 \leq \dots \leq Q_3$ are Eigenvalues of $S^{\alpha\beta} = \frac{\sum_i p_i^\alpha p_i^\beta}{\sum_i p_i^2}$	0 $\leq 3/4$ ≤ 1	none (not infrared safe)
Aplanarity	$A = 1.5 Q_1$	0 0 $\leq 1/2$	none (not infrared safe)
Jet (Hemisphere) masses	$M_{\pm}^2 = (\sum_i E_i^2 - \sum_i \vec{p}_i^2)_{i \in S_{\pm}}$ (S_{\pm} : Hemispheres \perp to \vec{n}_T) $M_H^2 = \max(M_+^2, M_-^2)$ $M_D^2 = M_+^2 - M_-^2 $	0 $\leq 1/3$ $\leq 1/2$ 0 $\leq 1/3$ 0	(resummed) $O(\alpha_s^2)$
Jet broadening	$B_{\pm} = \frac{\sum_{i \in S_{\pm}} \vec{p}_i \times \vec{n}_T }{2 \sum_i \vec{p}_i }$; $B_T = B_+ + B_-$ $B_w = \max(B_+, B_-)$	0 $\leq 1/(2\sqrt{3})$ $\leq 1/(2\sqrt{2})$ 0 $\leq 1/(2\sqrt{3})$ $\leq 1/(2\sqrt{3})$	(resummed) $O(\alpha_s^2)$
Energy-Energy Correlations	$EEC(\chi) = \sum_{events} \sum_{i,j} \frac{E_i E_j}{E_{vis}^2} \int_{\chi - \frac{\Delta\chi}{2}}^{\chi + \frac{\Delta\chi}{2}} \delta(\chi - \chi_{ij})$		(resummed) $O(\alpha_s^2)$
Asymmetry of EEC	$AEEC(\chi) = EEC(\pi - \chi) - EEC(\chi)$		$O(\alpha_s^2)$
Differential 2-jet rate	$D_2(y) = \frac{R_2(y - \Delta y) - R_2(y)}{\Delta y}$		(resummed) $O(\alpha_s^2)$

Is the thrust IR safe?

$$T = \max_{\vec{n}} \frac{\sum_i \vec{p}_i \cdot \vec{n}}{\sum_i p_i}$$

$$|(1 - \lambda)\vec{p}_k \cdot \vec{u}| + |\lambda\vec{p}_k \cdot \vec{u}| = |\vec{p}_k \cdot \vec{u}|$$

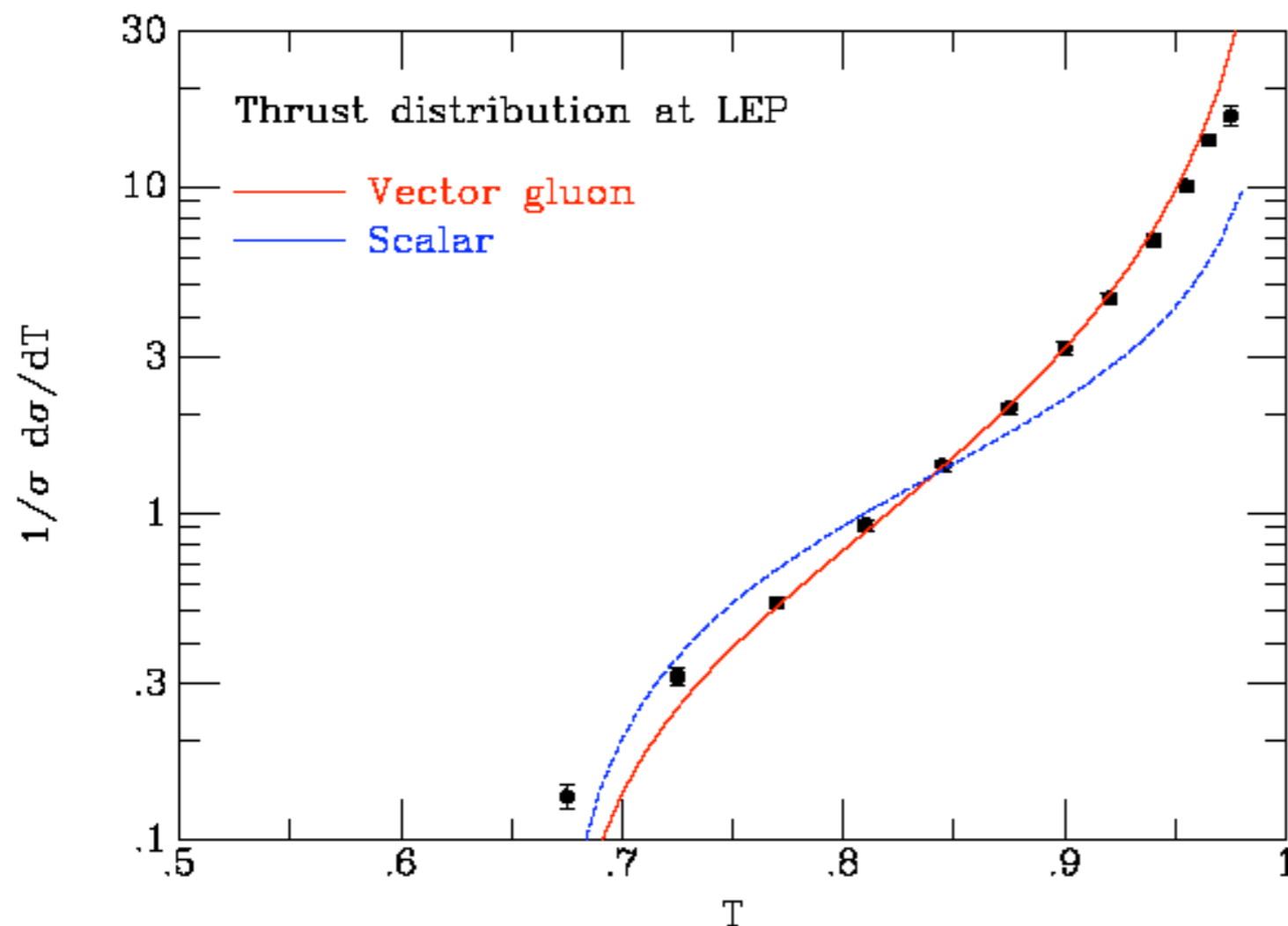
and

$$|(1 - \lambda)\vec{p}_k| + |\lambda\vec{p}_k| = |\vec{p}_k|$$

Calculation of event shape variables: Thrust

The values of the different event-shape variables for different topologies are

$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{dT} = C_F \frac{\alpha_S}{2\pi} \left[\frac{2(3T^2 - 3T + 2)}{T(1-T)} \log \left(\frac{2T-1}{1-T} \right) - \frac{3(3T-2)(2-T)}{1-T} \right].$$



$O(\alpha_S^2)$ corrections (NLO) are also known. Comparison with data provide test of QCD matrix elements, through shape distribution and measurement of α_S from overall rate. Care must be taken around $T=1$ where

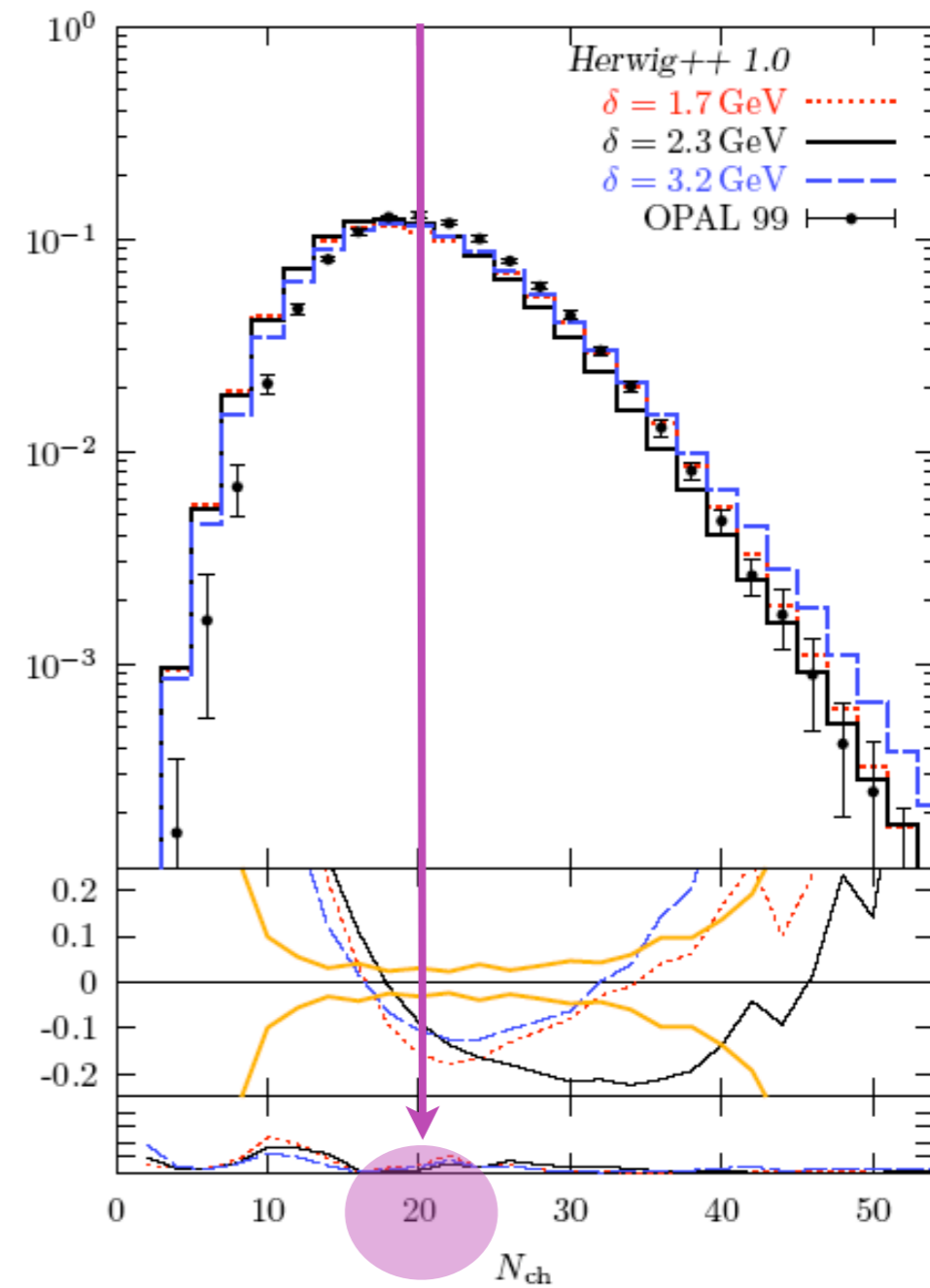
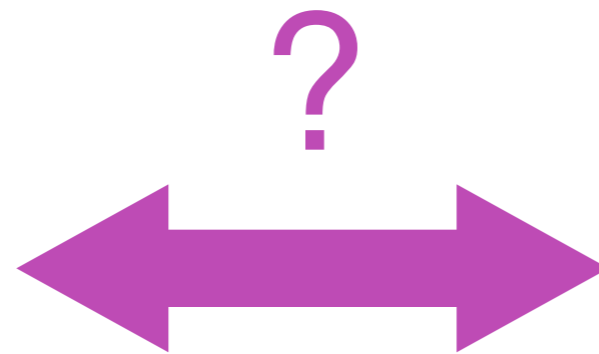
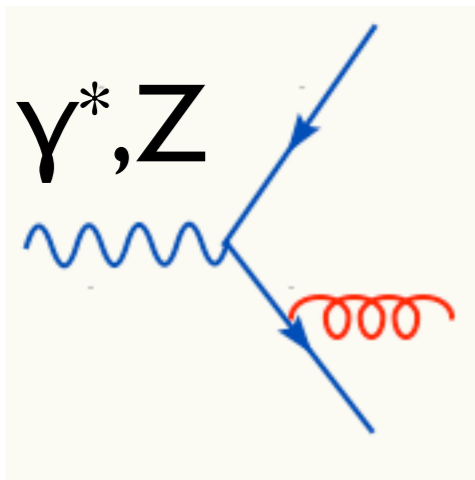
- (a) hadronization effects become large and
- (b) large higher order terms of the form $\alpha_S^N [\log^{2N-1} (1-T)]/(1-T)$ need to be resummed.

At lower T multi-jet matrix element become important.

QCD in the final state

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Towards realistic predictions



More exclusive quantities (AKA, the power of exponentiation)

Assuming “abelian” gluons one finds that something magic happens at higher orders:

$$\sigma_{2j} = \sigma^{\text{Born}} \left[1 - \frac{\alpha_S C_F}{\pi} \log^2 y + \frac{1}{2!} \left(\frac{\alpha_S C_F}{\pi} \log^2 y \right)^2 + \dots \right] = \sigma^{\text{Born}} e^{-\frac{\alpha_S C_F}{\pi} \log^2 y}$$

$$\sigma_{3j} = \sigma^{\text{Born}} \frac{\alpha_S C_F}{\pi} \log^2 y e^{-\frac{\alpha_S C_F}{\pi} \log^2 y}$$

$$y = M^2/s$$

⋮

$$\sigma_{nj} = \sigma^{\text{Born}} \frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{\alpha_S C_F}{\pi} \log^2 y \right)^n e^{-\frac{\alpha_S C_F}{\pi} \log^2 y}$$

The number of jets is distributed as a Poisson with average (and the full QCD result):

$$\langle n_j \rangle = 2 + \frac{\alpha_S C_F}{\pi} \log^2 y \qquad \langle n_j \rangle_{\text{QCD}} = \frac{C_F}{C_A} \exp \sqrt{\frac{\alpha_S C_A}{2\pi} \log^2 \frac{1}{y}}$$

More exclusive quantities (AKA, the power of exponentiation)

Identifying one particle with one jet at resolution scale of Λ_s one obtains an estimate for the average number of particles in an event (multiplicity):

$$\langle n_p \rangle = \frac{\alpha_S C_F}{\pi} \log^2 \frac{s}{\Lambda_s^2} = \frac{C_F}{\pi b_0} \log \frac{s}{\Lambda_s^2}$$

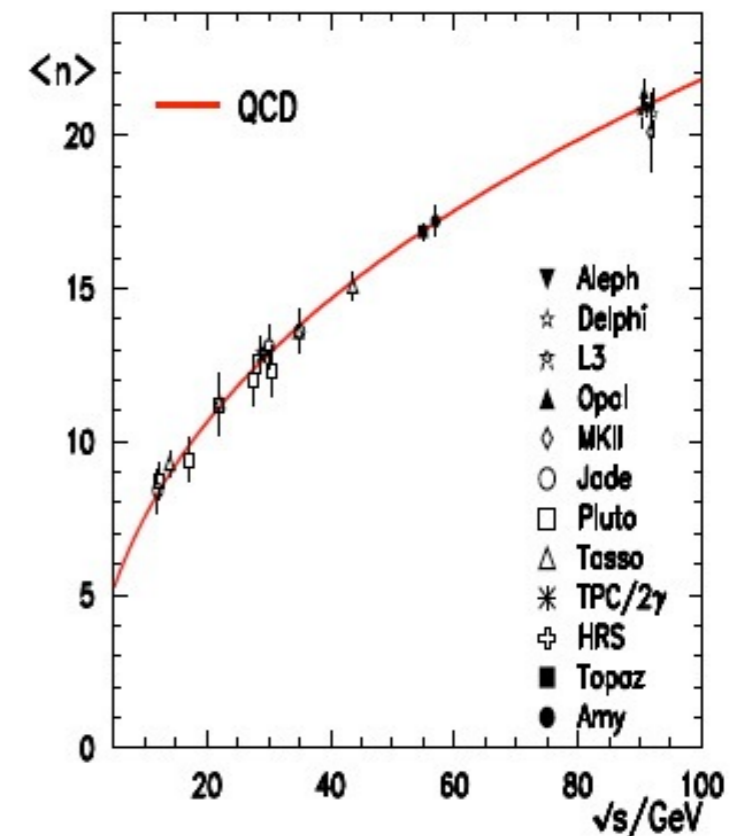
$$\langle n_p \rangle_{\text{QCD}} = \exp \sqrt{\frac{2C_A}{\pi b_0} \log \frac{s}{\Lambda_s}}$$

ie. the multiplicity grows with the log of the com energy.

Finally the jet mass can also be easily estimated by integrating the cross sections over two emispheres identified by the thrust axis:

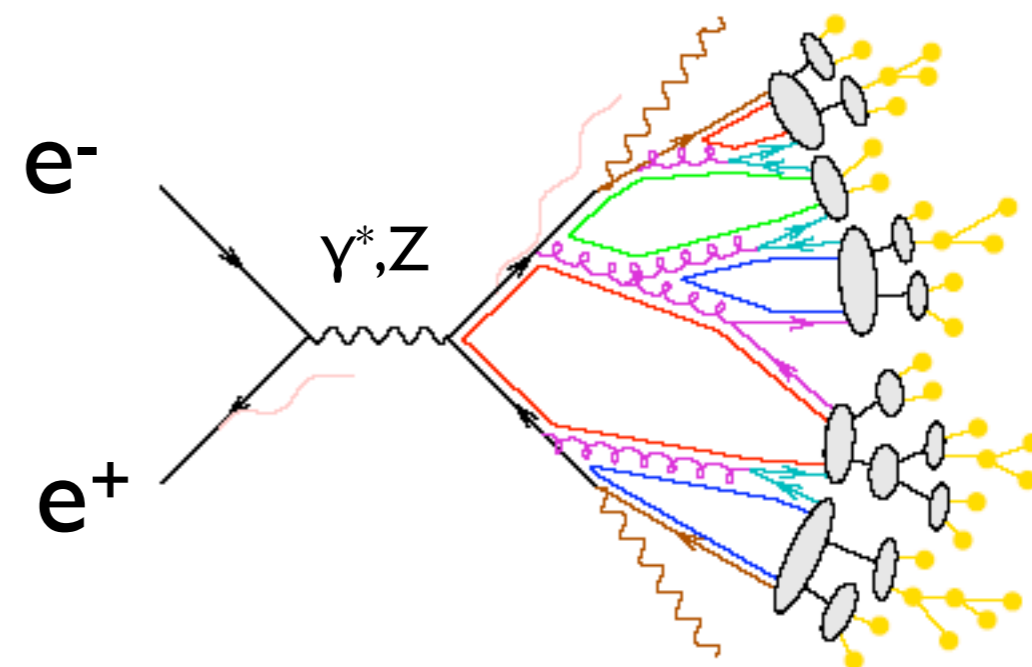
$$\langle m_j^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{2\sigma_{\text{Born}}} \left[\int_{(I)} (q+k)^2 d\sigma_g + \int_{(II)} (q+k)^2 d\sigma_g \right] = \frac{\alpha_S C_F}{\pi} s$$

This result gives the correct scaling of the jet mass, $m_j \sim \sqrt{\alpha_s} E_j$, which is also valid at hadron colliders (replacing E with pt)!

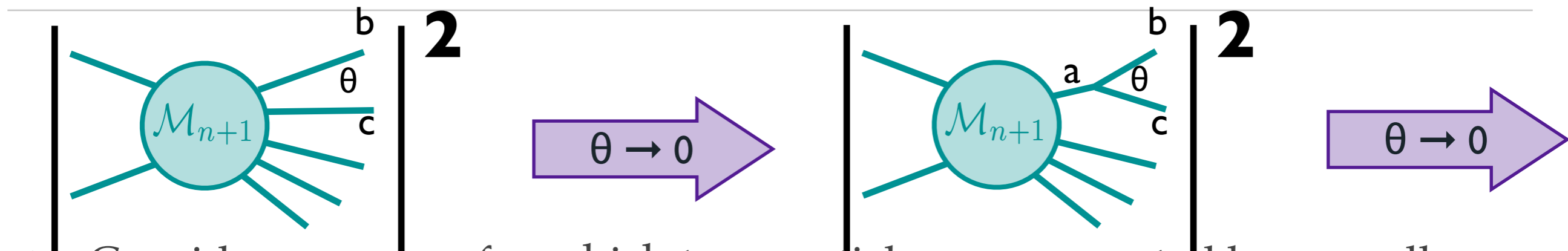


Parton showers

- ❖ We need to be able to describe an arbitrarily number of parton branchings, i.e. we need to 'dress' partons with radiation
- ❖ This effect should be unitary: the inclusive cross section shouldn't change when extra radiation is added
- ❖ And finally we want to turn partons into hadrons (hadronization)....



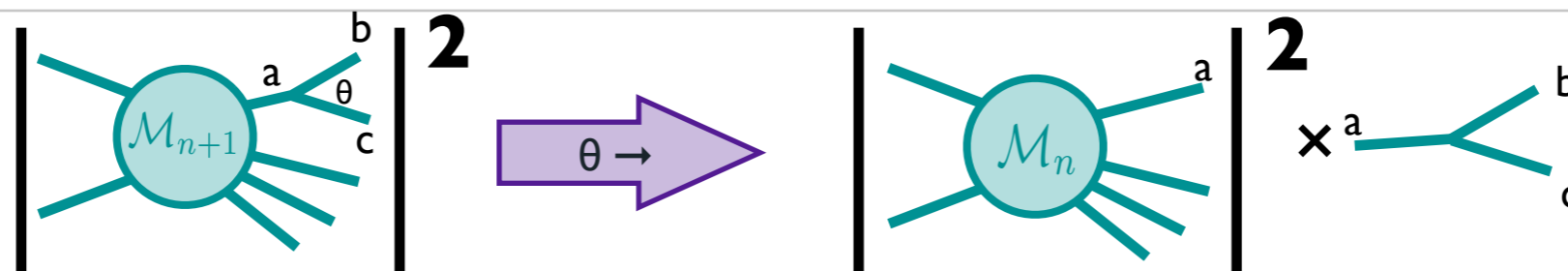
Collinear factorization



- ❖ Consider a process for which two particles are separated by a small angle θ .
- ❖ In the limit of $\theta \rightarrow 0$ the contribution is coming from a single parent particle going on shell: therefore its branching is related to time scales which are very long with respect to the hard subprocess.
- ❖ The inclusion of such a branching cannot change the picture set up by the hard process: the whole emission process must be writable in this limit as the simpler one times a branching probability.
- ❖ The first task of Monte Carlo physics is to make this statement

quantitative.

Collinear factorization



❖ The process factorizes in the collinear limit. This procedure is universal!

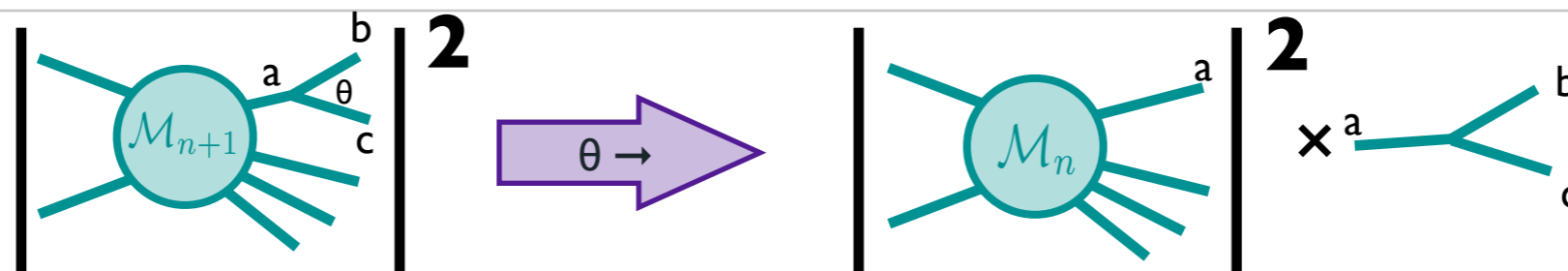
$$|\mathcal{M}_{n+1}|^2 d\Phi_{n+1} \simeq |\mathcal{M}_n|^2 d\Phi_n \frac{dt}{t} dz \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{a \rightarrow bc}(z)$$

- Notice that what has been roughly called ‘branching probability’ is actually a singular factor, so one will need to make sense precisely of this definition.
- At the leading contribution to the (n+1)-body cross section the Altarelli-Parisi splitting kernels are defined as:

$$P_{g \rightarrow qq}(z) = T_R [z^2 + (1-z)^2], \quad P_{g \rightarrow gg}(z) = C_A \left[z(1-z) + \frac{z}{1-z} + \frac{1-z}{z} \right],$$

$$P_{q \rightarrow qq}(z) = C_F \left[\frac{1+z^2}{1-z} \right], \quad P_{q \rightarrow gq}(z) = C_F \left[\frac{1+(1-z)^2}{z} \right].$$

Collinear factorization



- The process factorizes in the collinear limit. This procedure is universal!

$$|\mathcal{M}_{n+1}|^2 d\Phi_{n+1} \simeq |\mathcal{M}_n|^2 d\Phi_n \frac{dt}{t} dz \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{a \rightarrow bc}(z)$$

- t can be called the ‘evolution variable’ (will become clearer later): it can be the virtuality m^2 of particle a or its p_T^2 or $E^2\theta^2$...

- It represents the hardness of the branching and tends to 0 in the collinear limit.

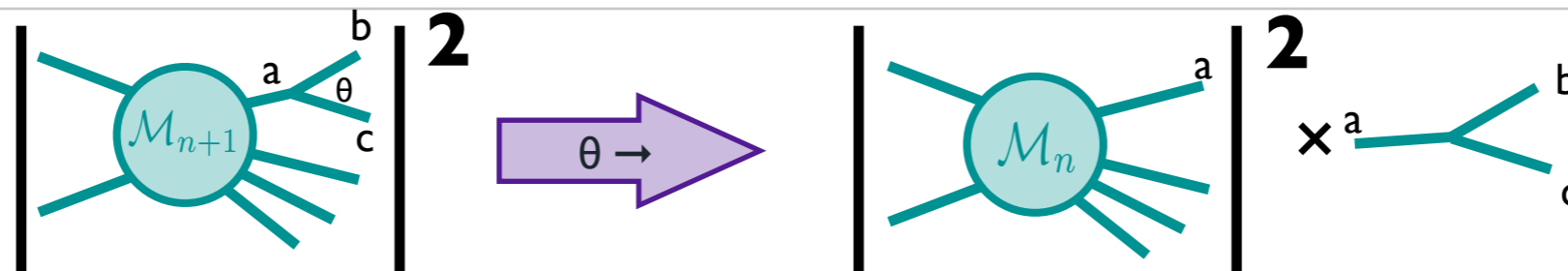
- Indeed in the collinear limit one has: so that the factorization takes place for all these definitions:

$$m^2 \simeq z(1-z)\theta^2 E_a^2$$

$$p_T^2 \simeq zm^2$$

$$d\theta^2 / \theta^2 = dm^2 / m^2 = dp_T^2 / p_T^2$$

Collinear factorization

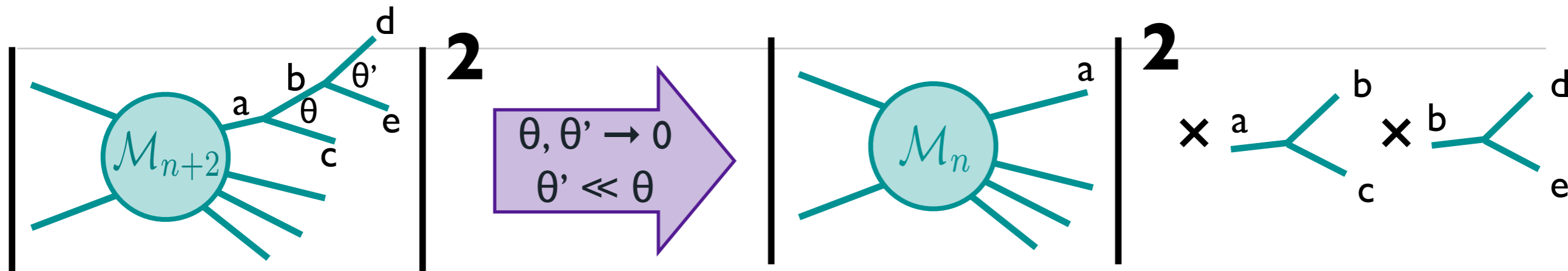


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- z is the “energy variable”: it is defined to be the energy fraction taken by parton b from parton a . It represents the energy sharing between b and c and tends to 1 in the soft limit (parton c going soft)
- Φ is the azimuthal angle. It can be chosen to be the angle between the polarization of a and the plane of the branching.

Multiple emission

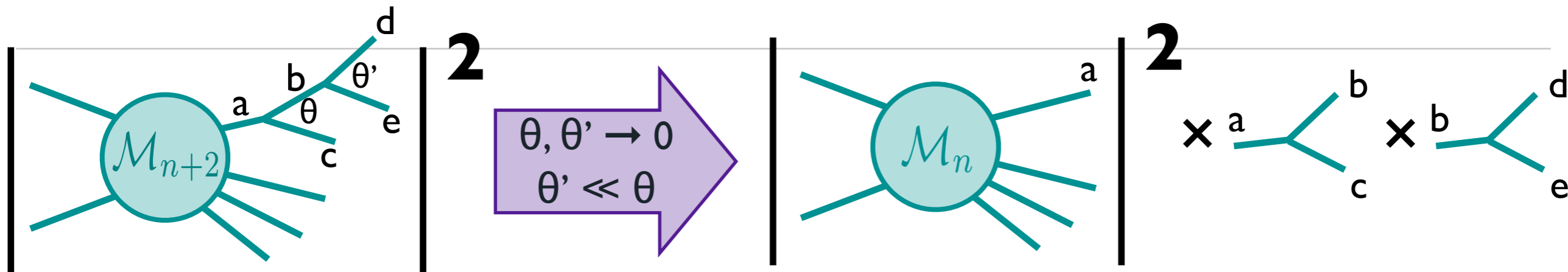


- ❖ Now consider \mathcal{M}_{n+1} as the new core process and use the recipe we used for the first emission in order to get the dominant contribution to the $(n+2)$ -body cross section: add a new branching at angle much smaller than the previous one

$$|\mathcal{M}_{n+2}|^2 d\Phi_{n+2} \simeq |\mathcal{M}_n|^2 d\Phi_n \frac{dt}{t} dz \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{a \rightarrow bc}(z) \times \frac{dt'}{t'} dz' \frac{d\phi'}{2\pi} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{b \rightarrow de}(z')$$

- ❖ This can be done for an arbitrary number of emissions. The recipe to get the leading collinear singularity is thus cast in the form of an iterative

Multiple emission



- ❖ The dominant contribution comes from the region where the subsequently emitted partons satisfy the strong ordering requirement: $\theta \gg \theta' \gg \theta'' \dots$

For the rate for multiple emission we get

$$\sigma_{n+k} \propto \alpha_s^k \int_{Q_0^2}^{Q^2} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{Q_0^2}^t \frac{dt'}{t'} \dots \int_{Q_0^2}^{t^{(k-2)}} \frac{dt^{(k-1)}}{t^{(k-1)}} \propto \sigma_n \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \right)^k \log^k(Q^2/Q_0^2)$$

where Q is a typical hard scale and Q_0 is a small infrared cutoff that separates perturbative from non perturbative regimes.

- ❖ Each power of α_s comes with a logarithm. The logarithm can be easily large, and therefore it can lead to a breakdown of perturbation theory.

Absence of interference

The collinear factorization picture gives a branching sequence for a given leg starting from the hard subprocess all the way down to the non-perturbative region.

Suppose you want to describe two such histories from two different legs: these two legs are treated in a completely uncorrelated way. And even within the same history, subsequent emissions are uncorrelated.

The collinear picture completely misses the possible interference effects between the various legs. The extreme simplicity comes at the price of quantum inaccuracy.

Nevertheless, the collinear picture captures the leading contributions: it gives an excellent description of an arbitrary number of (collinear) emissions:

- ❖ it is a “resummed computation”
- ❖ it bridges the gap between fixed-order perturbation theory and the

Sudakov form factor

The differential probability for the branching $a \rightarrow bc$ between scales t and $t+dt$ knowing that no emission occurred before:

$$dp(t) = \sum_{bc} \frac{dt}{t} \int dz \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{a \rightarrow bc}(z)$$

The probability that a parton does NOT split between the scales t and $t+dt$ is given by $1-dp(t)$. Probability that particle a does not emit between scales Q^2 and t

$$\Delta(Q^2, t) = \prod_k \left[1 - \sum_{bc} \frac{dt_k}{t_k} \int dz \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{a \rightarrow bc}(z) \right] =$$
$$\exp \left[- \sum_{bc} \int_t^{Q^2} \frac{dt'}{t'} \int dz \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{a \rightarrow bc}(z) \right] = \exp \left[- \int_t^{Q^2} dp(t') \right]$$

$\Delta(Q^2, t)$ is the Sudakov form factor

Parton shower algorithm

- The Sudakov form factor is the heart of the parton shower. It gives the probability that a parton does not branch between two scales
- Using this no-emission probability the **branching tree of a parton** is generated.
- Define dP_k as the probability for k ordered splittings from leg a at given scales

$$\begin{aligned}dP_1(t_1) &= \Delta(Q^2, t_1) dp(t_1) \Delta(t_1, Q_0^2), \\dP_2(t_1, t_2) &= \Delta(Q^2, t_1) dp(t_1) \Delta(t_1, t_2) dp(t_2) \Delta(t_2, Q_0^2) \Theta(t_1 - t_2), \\&\dots = \dots \\dP_k(t_1, \dots, t_k) &= \Delta(Q^2, Q_0^2) \prod_{l=1}^k dp(t_l) \Theta(t_{l-1} - t_l)\end{aligned}$$

- Q_0^2 is the hadronization scale (~ 1 GeV). Below this scale we do not trust the perturbative description for parton splitting anymore.
- This is what is implemented in a parton shower, taking the scales for the splitting t_i randomly (but weighted according to the no-emission probability).

Unitarity

$$dP_k(t_1, \dots, t_k) = \Delta(Q^2, Q_0^2) \prod_{l=1}^k dp(t_l) \Theta(t_{l-1} - t_l)$$

- ❖ The parton shower has to be unitary (the sum over all branching trees should be 1). We can explicitly show this by integrating the probability for k splittings:

$$P_k \equiv \int dP_k(t_1, \dots, t_k) = \Delta(Q^2, Q_0^2) \frac{1}{k!} \left[\int_{Q_0^2}^{Q^2} dp(t) \right]^k, \quad \forall k = 0, 1, \dots$$

- ❖ Summing over all number of emissions

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} P_k = \Delta(Q^2, Q_0^2) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} \left[\int_{Q_0^2}^{Q^2} dp(t) \right]^k = \Delta(Q^2, Q_0^2) \exp \left[\int_{Q_0^2}^{Q^2} dp(t) \right] = 1$$

Cancellation of singularities

- ❖ We have shown that the showers is unitary. However, how are the IR divergences cancelled explicitly? Let's show this for the first emission:

Consider the contributions from (exactly) 0 and 1 emissions from leg **a**:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{\sigma_n} = \Delta(Q^2, Q_0^2) + \Delta(Q^2, Q_0^2) \sum_{bc} dz \frac{dt}{t} \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{a \rightarrow bc}(z)$$

- ❖ Expanding to first order in α_s gives

$$\frac{d\sigma}{\sigma_n} \simeq 1 - \sum_{bc} \int_{Q_0^2}^{Q^2} \frac{dt'}{t'} dz \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{a \rightarrow bc}(z) + \sum_{bc} dz \frac{dt}{t} \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{a \rightarrow bc}(z)$$

- ❖ Same structure of the two latter terms, with opposite signs: cancellation of divergences between the approximate virtual and approximate real emission cross sections.
- ❖ The probabilistic interpretation of the shower ensures that infrared divergences will cancel for each emission.

Choice of evolution parameter

$$\Delta(Q^2, t) = \exp \left[- \sum_{bc} \int_t^{Q^2} \frac{dt'}{t'} dz \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{a \rightarrow bc}(z) \right]$$

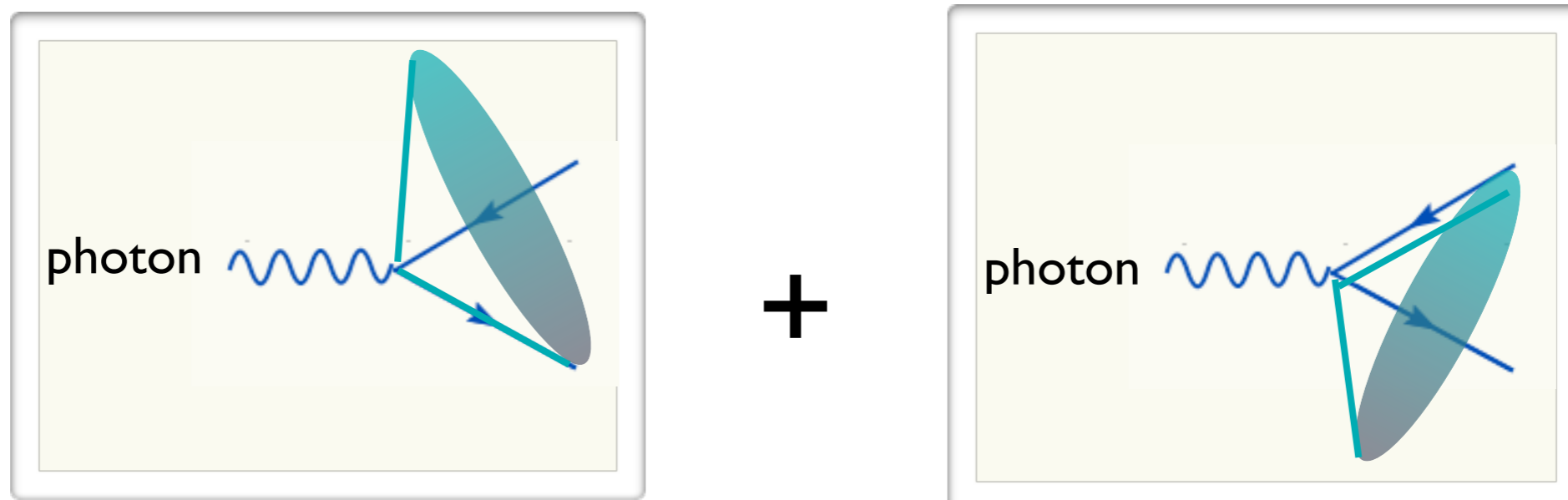
- ❖ There is a lot of freedom in the choice of evolution parameter t . It can be the virtuality m^2 of particle a or its p_T^2 or $E^2\theta^2$... For the collinear limit they are all equivalent
- ❖ However, in the soft limit ($z \rightarrow 1$) they behave differently
- ❖ Can we choose it such that we get the correct soft limit?

YES! It should be (proportional to) the angle θ

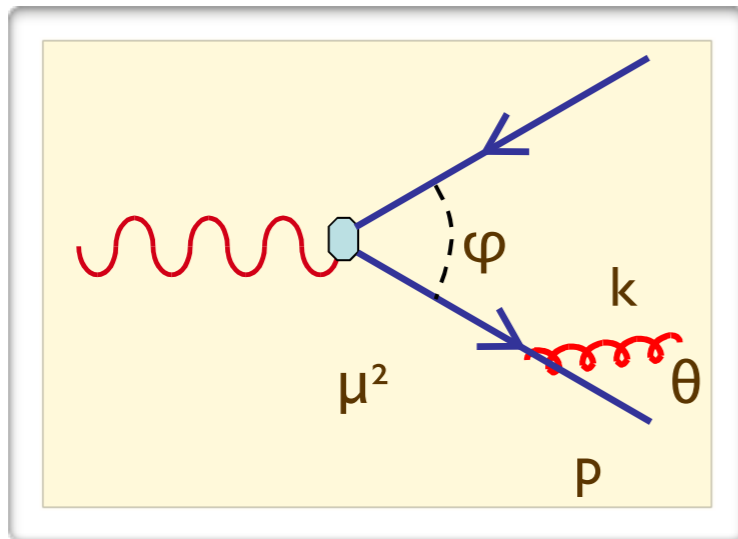
Angular ordering

$$\left| \text{diagram} \right|^2 = \left| \text{diagram}_1 \right|^2 \Theta(\varphi - \varphi_1) + \left| \text{diagram}_2 \right|^2 \Theta(\varphi - \varphi_2)$$

Radiation inside cones around the original partons is allowed (and described by the eikonal approximation), outside the cones it is zero (after averaging over the azimuthal angle)



Intuitive explanation



- Lifetime of the virtual intermediate state:
 $\tau < \gamma/\mu = E/\mu^2 = 1/(k_0\theta^2) = 1/(k_\perp\theta)$
- Distance between q and $qbar$ after τ :
 $d = \varphi\tau = (\varphi/\theta) 1/k_\perp$

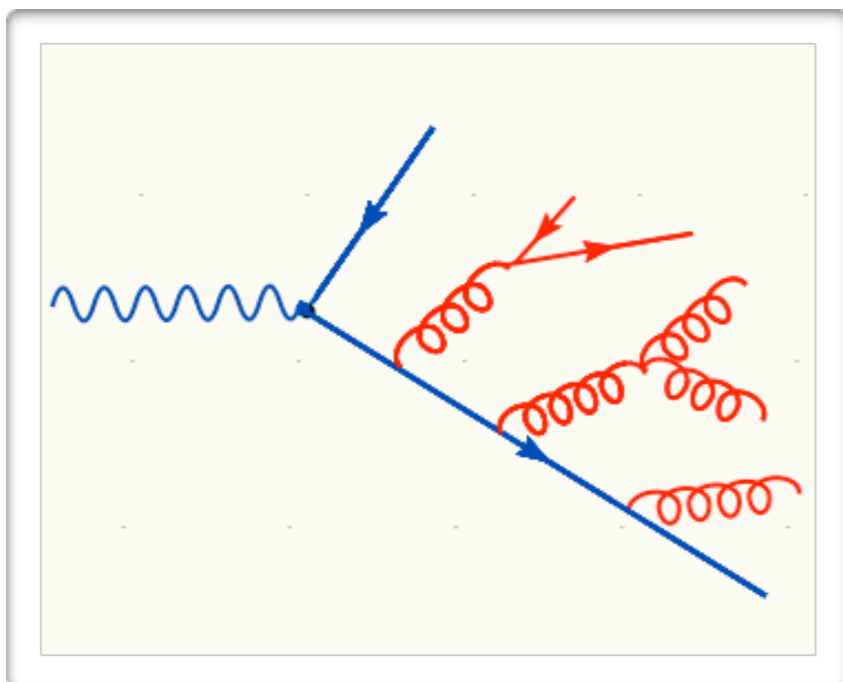
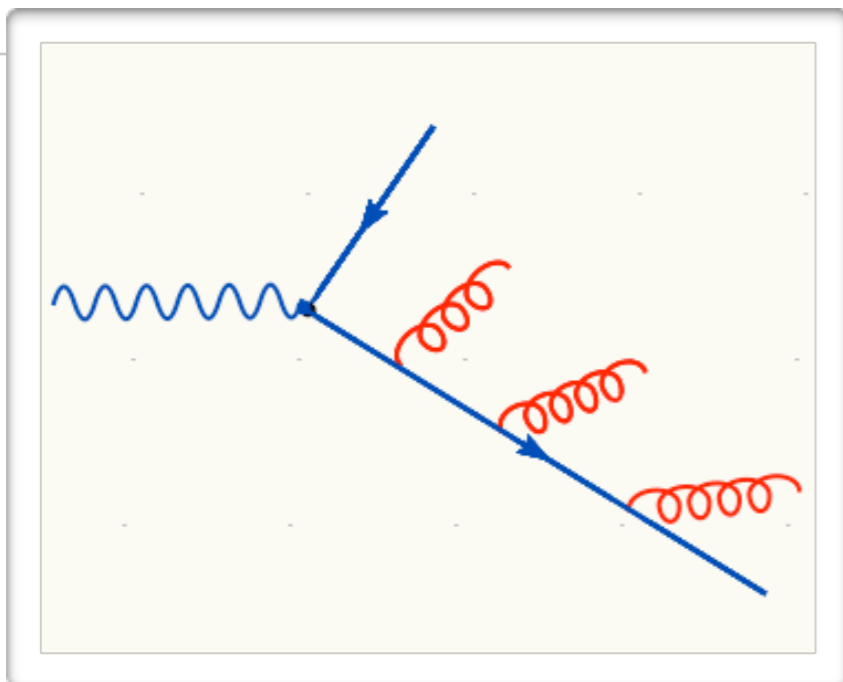
$$\mu^2 = (p+k)^2 = 2E k_0 (1-\cos\theta)$$

$$\sim E k_0 \theta^2 \sim E k_\perp \theta$$

If the transverse wavelength of the emitted gluon is longer than the separation between q and $qbar$, the gluon emission is suppressed, because the $q qbar$ system will appear as colour neutral (i.e. dipole-like emission, suppressed)

Therefore $d > 1/k_\perp$, which implies $\theta < \varphi$.

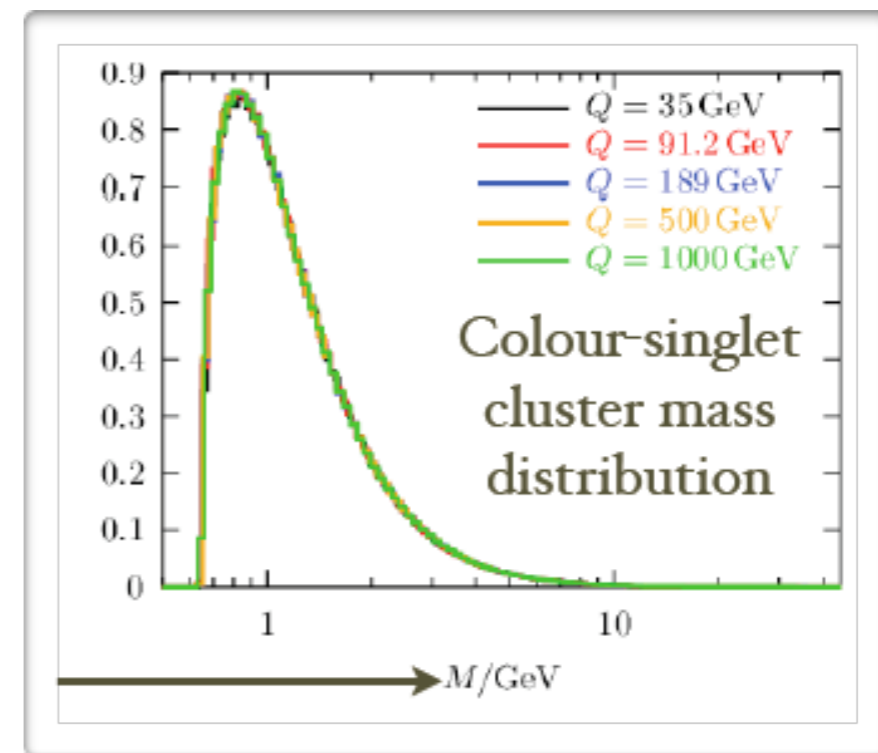
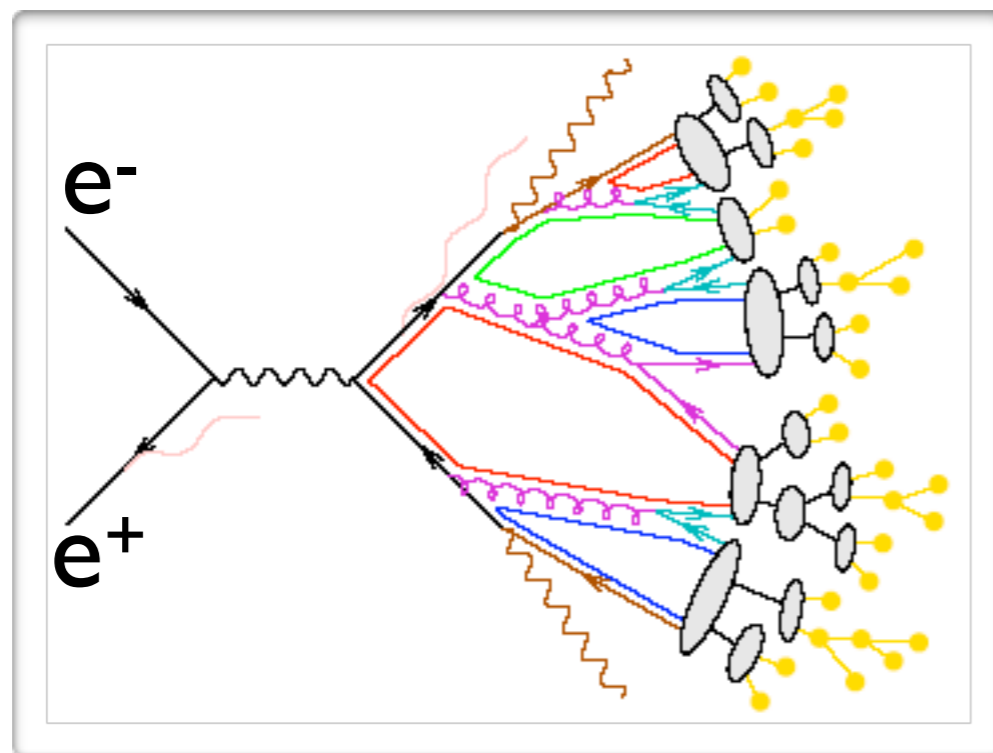
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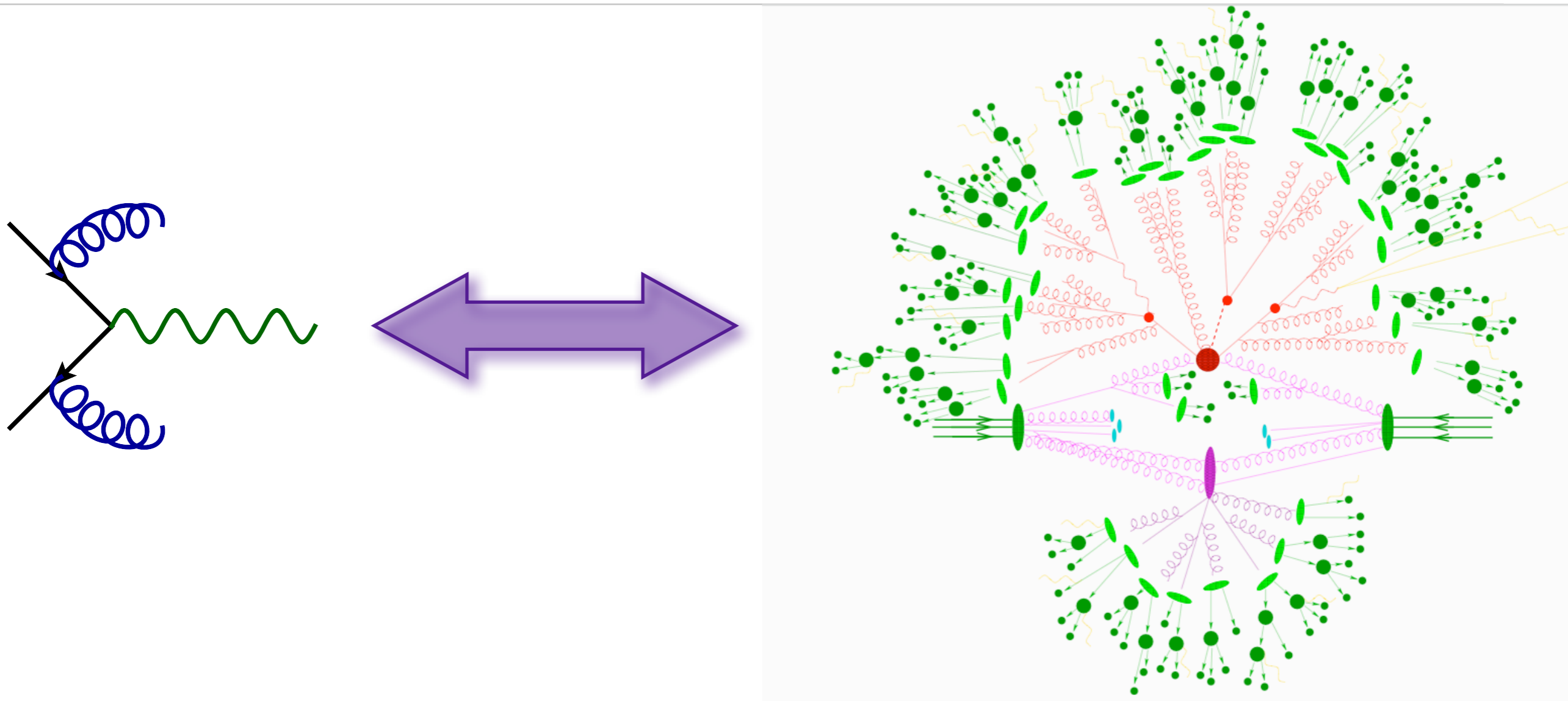
- ✱ The construction can be iterated to the next emission, with the result that the emission angles keep getting smaller and smaller.
- ✱ One can generalize it to a generic parton of color charge Q_k splitting into two partons i and j , $Q_k=Q_i+Q_j$. The result is that inside the cones i and j emit as independent charges, and outside their angular-ordered cones the emission is coherent and can be treated as if it was directly from color charge Q_k .
- ✱ **KEY POINT FOR THE MC!**
- ✱ Angular ordering is automatically satisfied in θ ordered showers! (and easy to account for in p_T ordered showers).

Cluster model

The structure of the perturbative evolution including angular ordering, leads naturally to the clustering in phase-space of color-singlet parton pairs (preconfinement). Long-range correlations are strongly suppressed. Hadronization will only act locally, on low-mass color singlet clusters.



Parton Shower MC

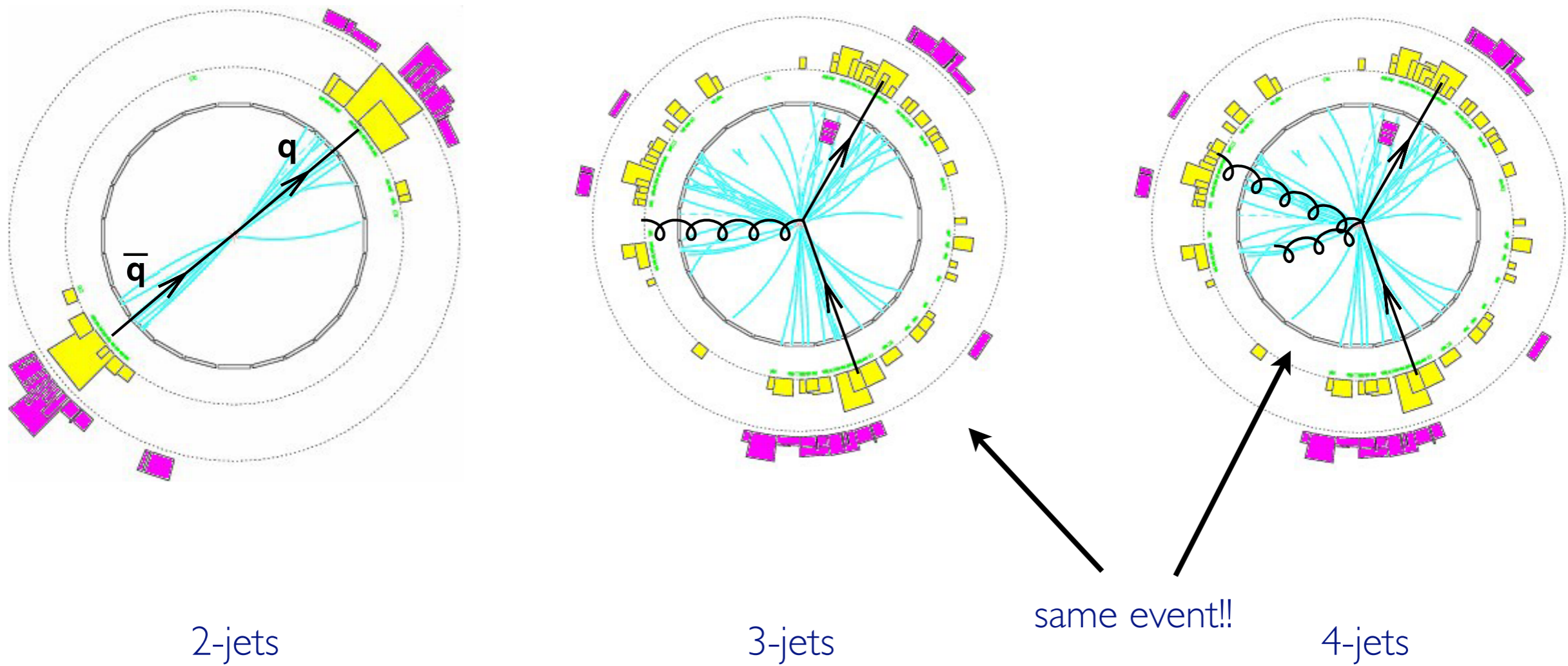


A parton shower program associates one of the possible histories (and pre-histories in case of pp collisions) of an hard event in an explicit and fully detailed way, such that the sum of the probabilities of all possible histories is unity.

QCD in the final state

1. Infrared safety
2. Towards realistic final states
3. Jets

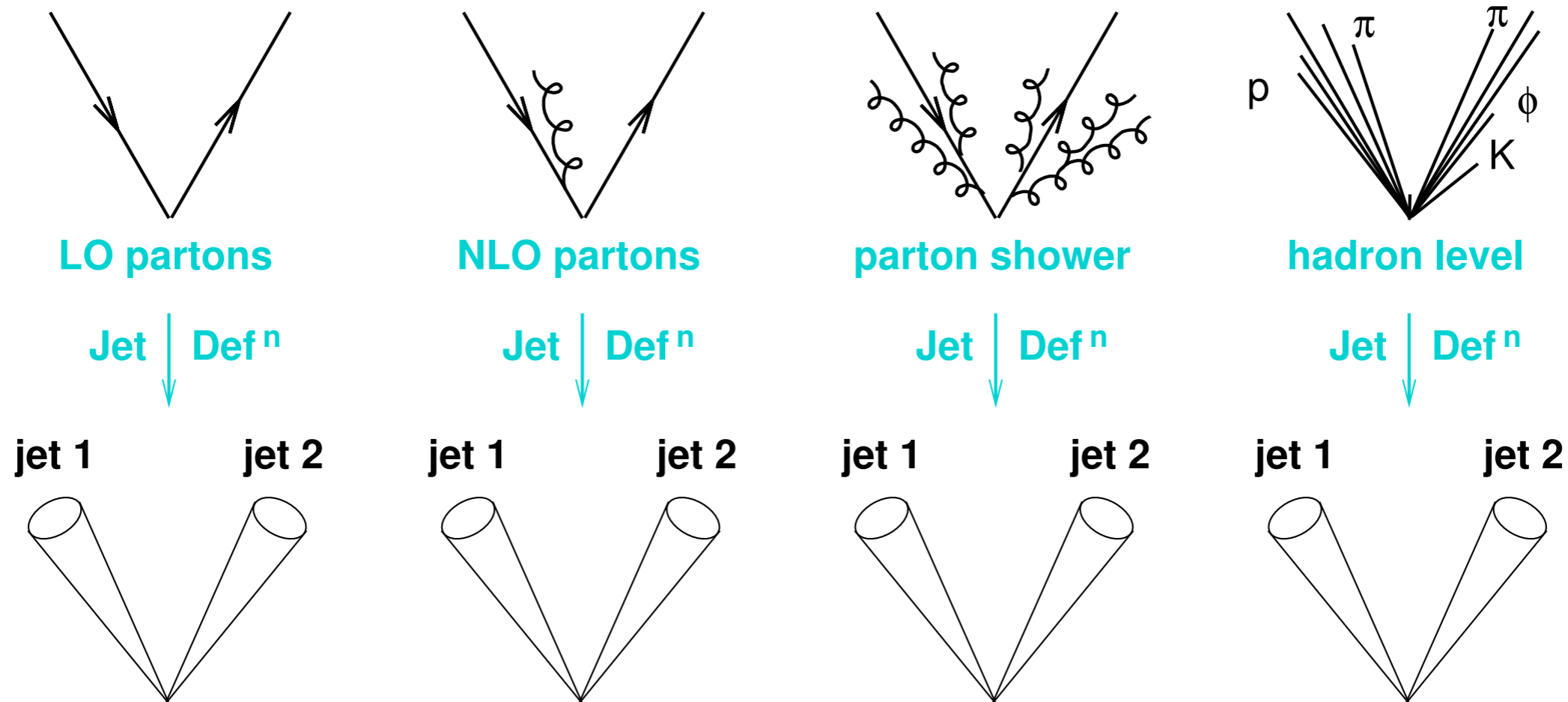
Jets



Jets are in the eye of the beholder!

Jet algorithms

A jet definition is a fully specified set of rules for projecting information from hundreds of hadrons, onto a handful of parton-like objects.

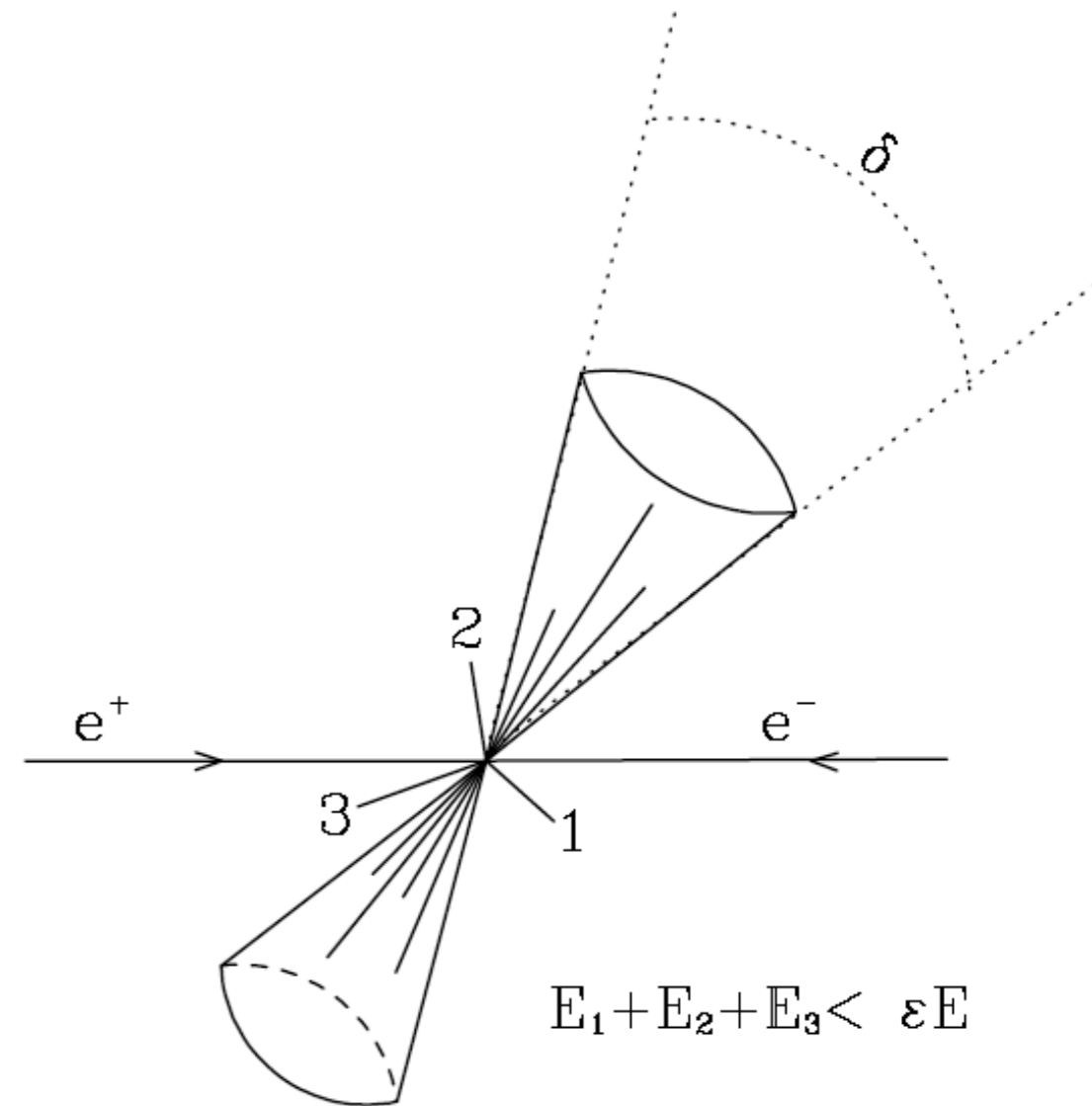


In the projection a lot of information is lost.

Projection to jets must be resilient to QCD effects

Jet algorithms

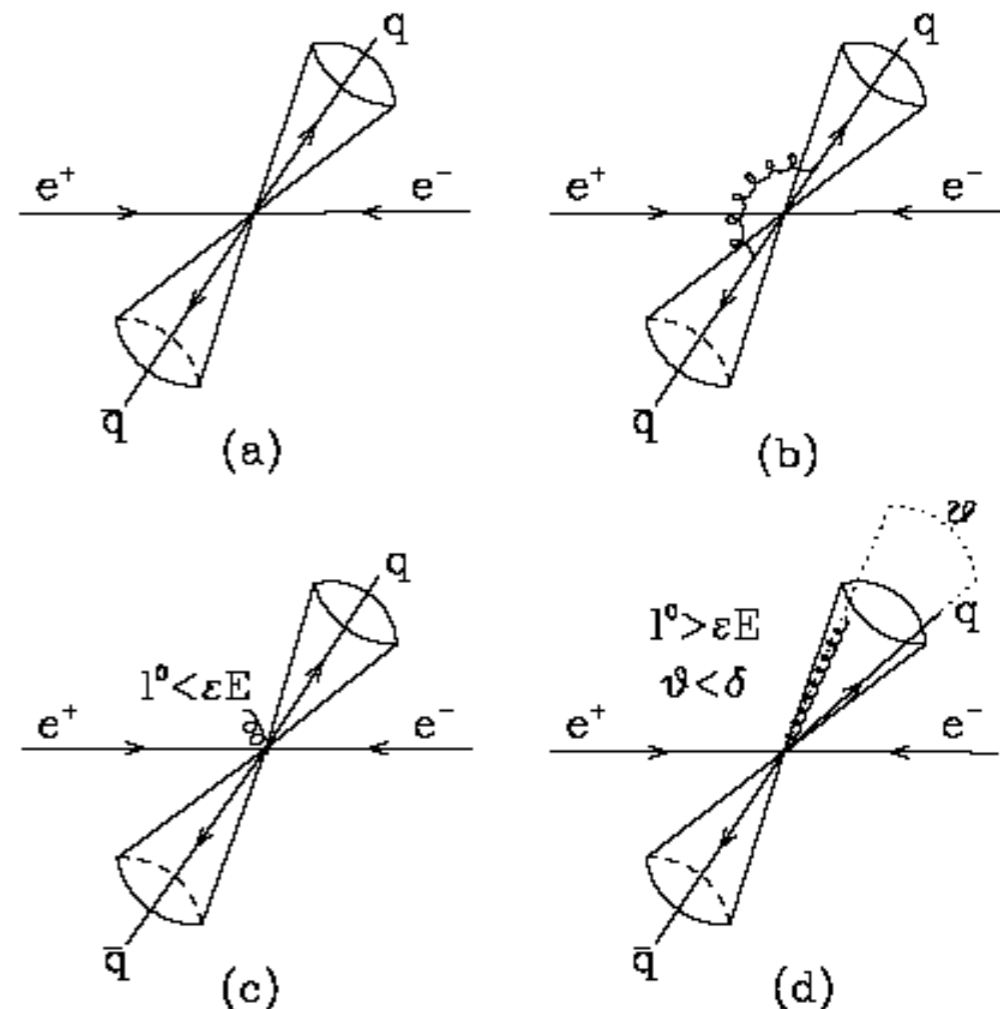
- ❖ The precise definition of a procedure how to cut be three-jet (and multi-jet) events is called “jet algorithm”.
- ❖ Which jet algorithm to use for a given measurement/experiment needs to be found out. Different algorithms have very different behaviors both experimentally and theoretically. Of course, it is important that a complete information is given on the jet algorithm when experimental data are to be compared with theory predictions!
- ❖ Weinberg-Sterman jets (intuitive definition): “An event is identified as a **2-jets** if one can find 2



Jets (top-down) at e^-e^+

Let's see when the various contributions add up to the Serman-Weinberg 2-jet cross section:

- ★ The Born cross section contributes to the 2-jet cross section, INDEPENDENTLY of ϵ and δ .
- ★ The SAME as above for the virtual corrections.
- ★ The real corrections when $k^0 < \epsilon E$ (soft).
- ★ The real corrections when $k^0 > \epsilon E$ AND $\theta < \delta$ (collinear).



$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Born} + \text{Virtual} + \text{Real (a)} + \text{Real (b)} &= \sigma^{\text{Born}} - \sigma^{\text{Born}} \frac{4\alpha_S C_F}{2\pi} \int_{\epsilon E}^E \frac{dk^0}{k^0} \int_{\delta}^{\pi-\delta} \frac{d\cos\theta}{1-\cos^2\theta} \\
 &= \sigma^{\text{Born}} \left(1 - \frac{4\alpha_S C_F}{2\pi} \log \epsilon \log \delta \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

As long as δ and ϵ are not too small, we find that the fraction of 2-jet cross section is almost 1! At high energy most of the events are two-jet events. As the energy increases the jets become thinner.

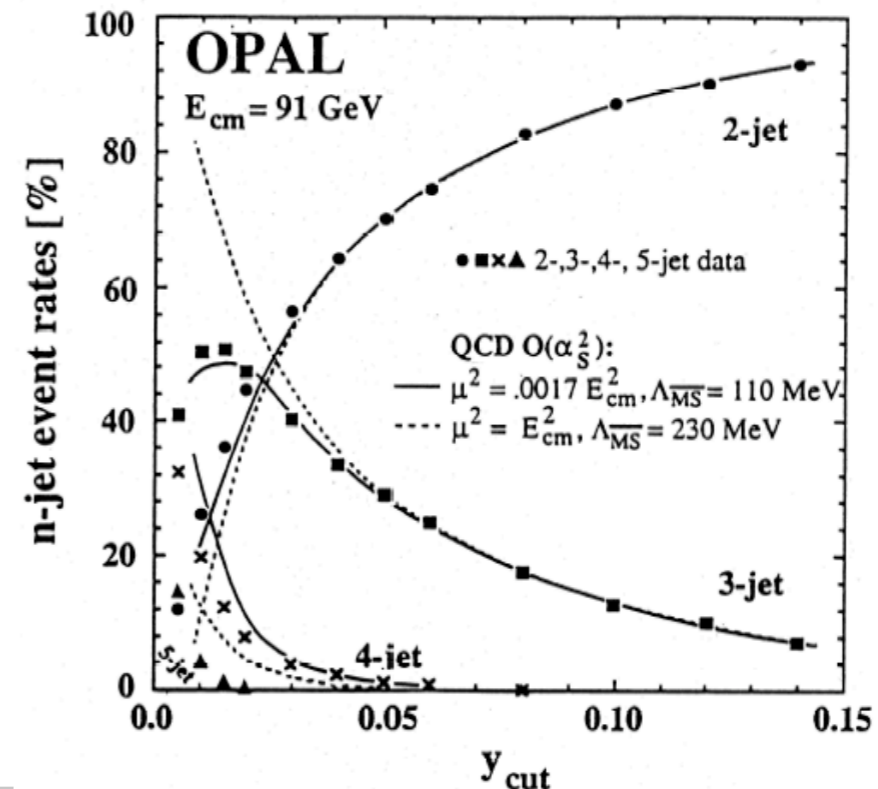
A very simple jet iterative algorithm (bottom-up)

1. Consider $e^+e^- \rightarrow N$ partons
2. Consider all pairs i and j and calculate
IF
 $\min (p_i + p_j)^2 < y_{\text{cut}} S$
THEN
 replace the two partons i, j by $p_{ij} = p_i + p_j$ and decrease $N \rightarrow N-1$
3. **IF** $N=1$ **THEN** stop **ELSE** goto 2.
4. $N =$ number of jets in the event using the “scale” y .

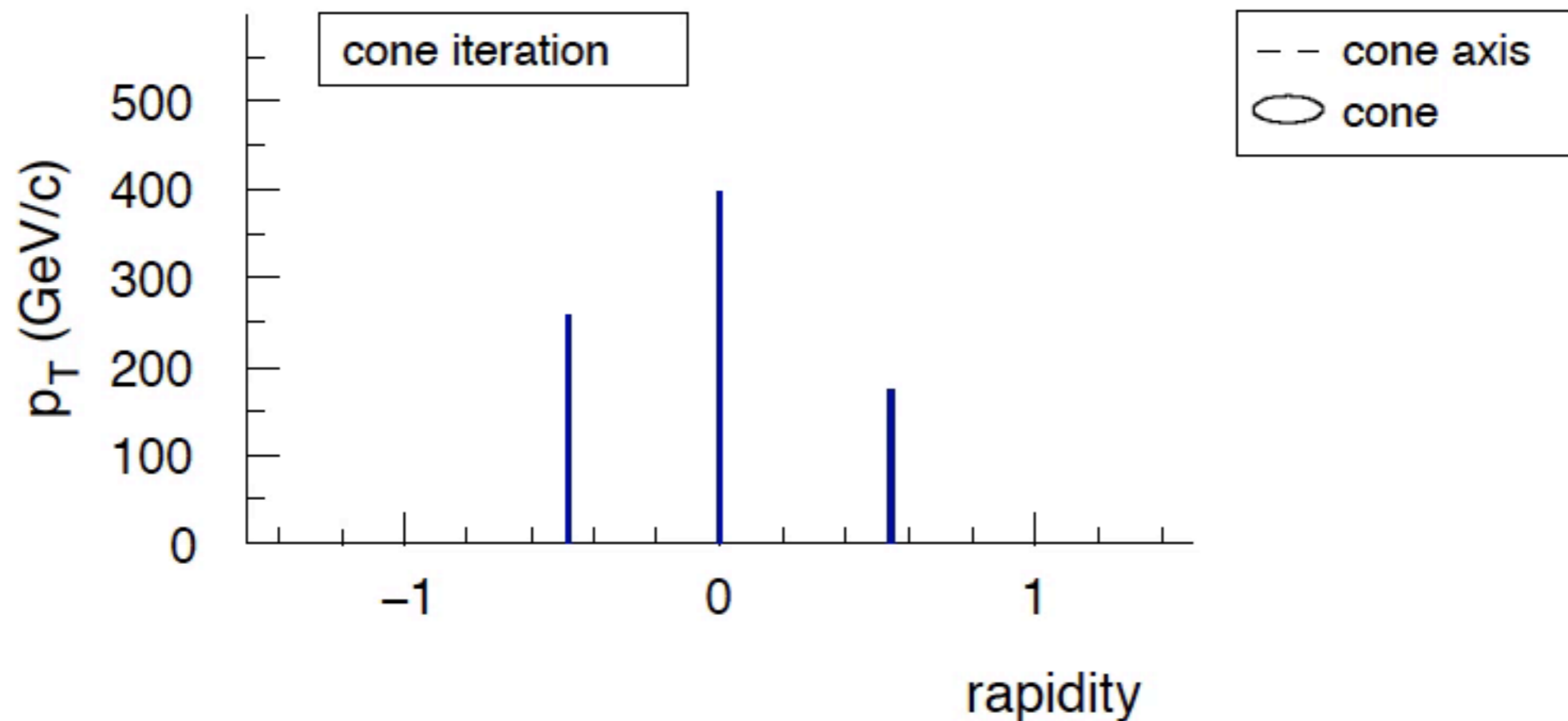
The result of the algo can be calculated analytically at NLO:

$$\sigma_{2j} = \sigma^{\text{Born}} \left(1 - \frac{\alpha_S C_F}{\pi} \log^2 y + \dots \right)$$

$$\sigma_{3j} = \sigma^{\text{Born}} \frac{\alpha_S C_F}{\pi} \log^2 y + \dots$$

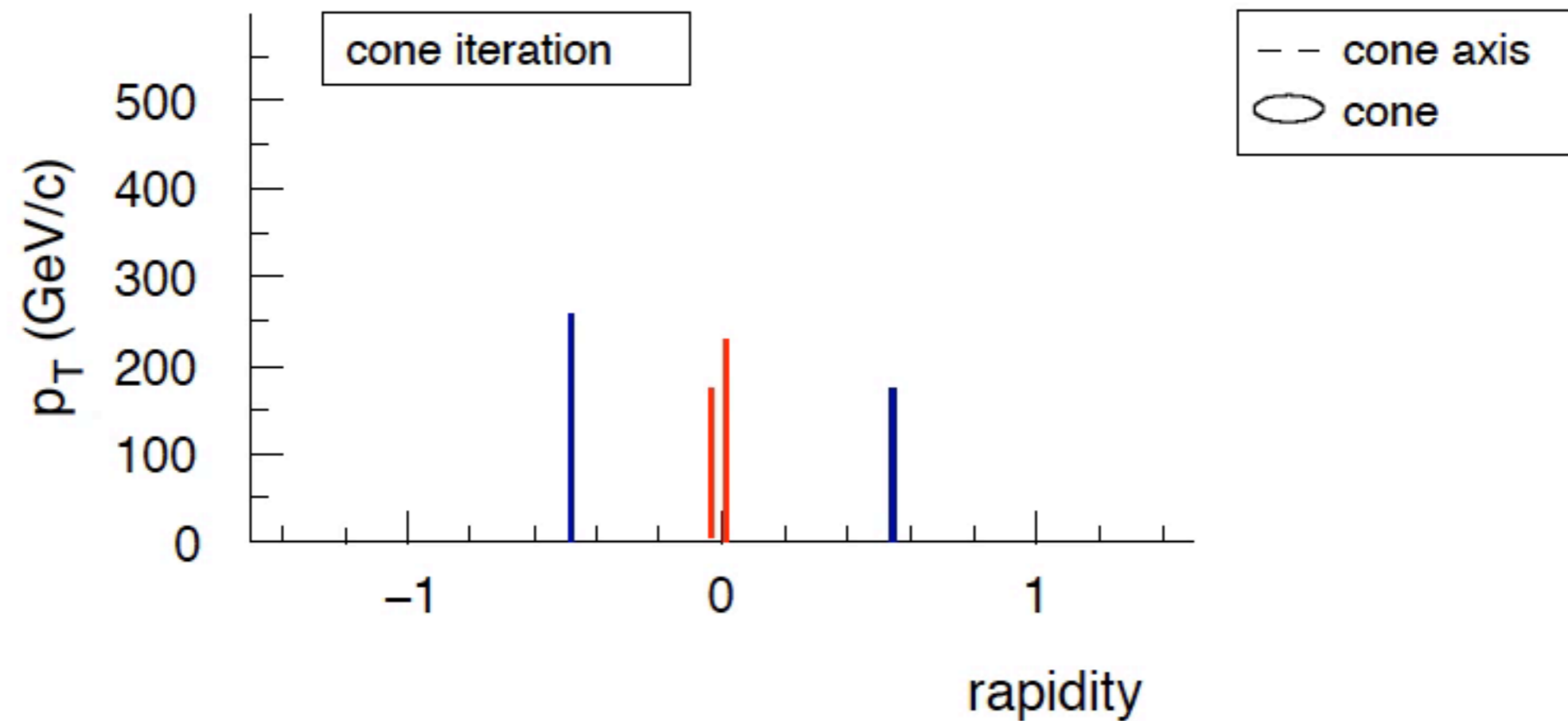


Infrared safety and jet algo's



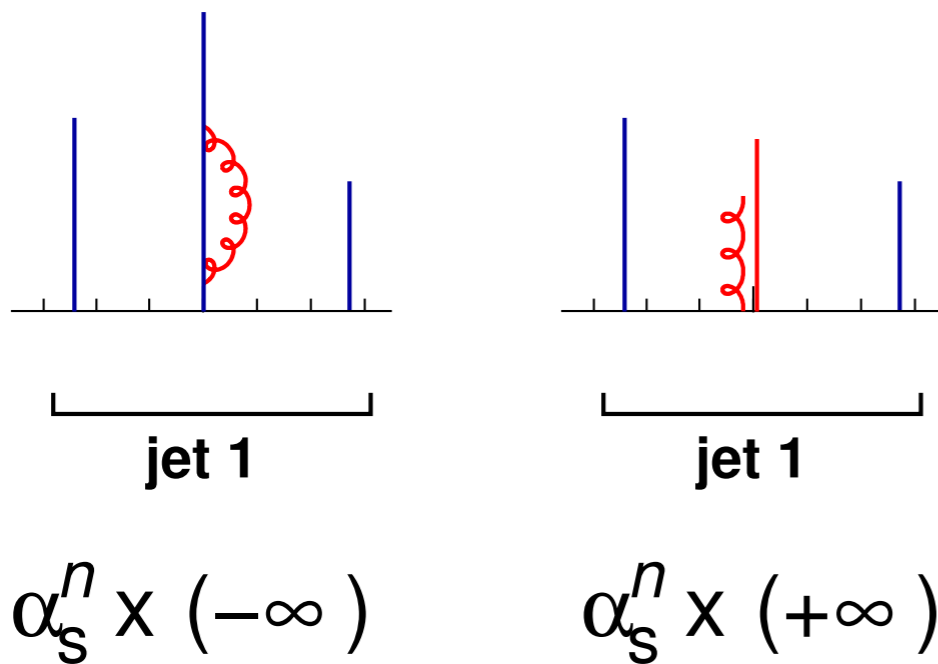
- Take hardest particle as seed for cone axis
- Draw cone around seed
- Sum the momenta use as new seed direction, iterate until stable
- Convert contents into a “jet” and remove from event

Infrared safety and jet algo's



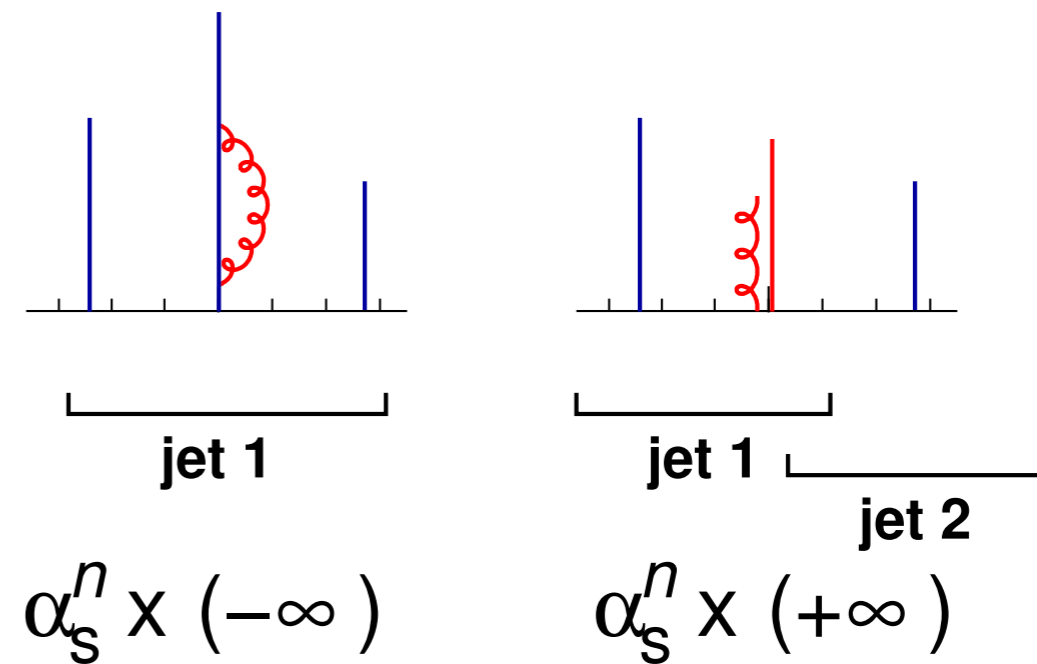
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Collinear Safe



Infinities cancel

Collinear Unsafe



Infinities do not cancel

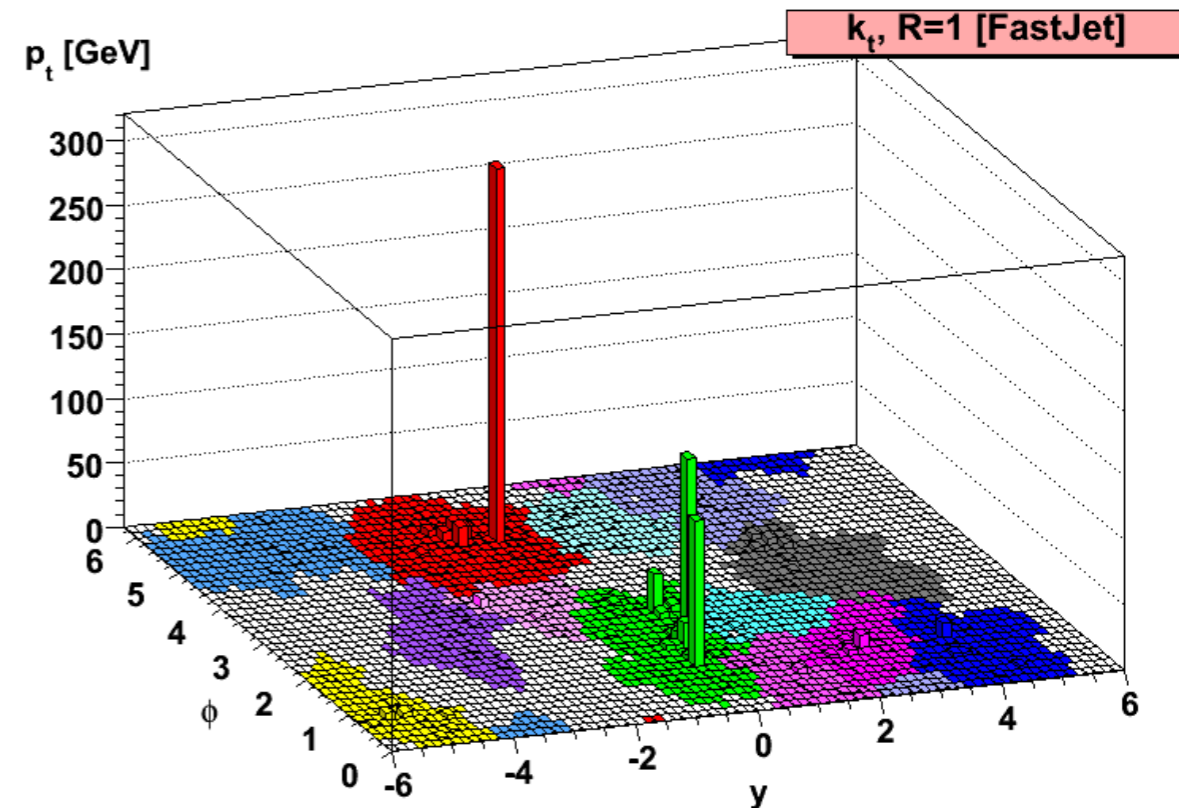
Invalidates comparison with perturbation theory results

k_T algorithm at hadron colliders

Measure (dimensionful):

$$d_{ij} = \min(p_{ti}^2, p_{tj}^2) \frac{\Delta R_{ij}^2}{R^2}$$

$$d_{iB} = p_{ti}^2$$



The algorithm proceeds by searching for the smallest of the d_{ij} and the d_{iB} .
 If it is a d_{ij} then particles i and j are recombined* into a single new particle.
 If it is a d_{iB} then i is removed from the list of particles, and called a jet.

This is repeated until no particles remain.

k_T algorithm “undoes” the QCD shower

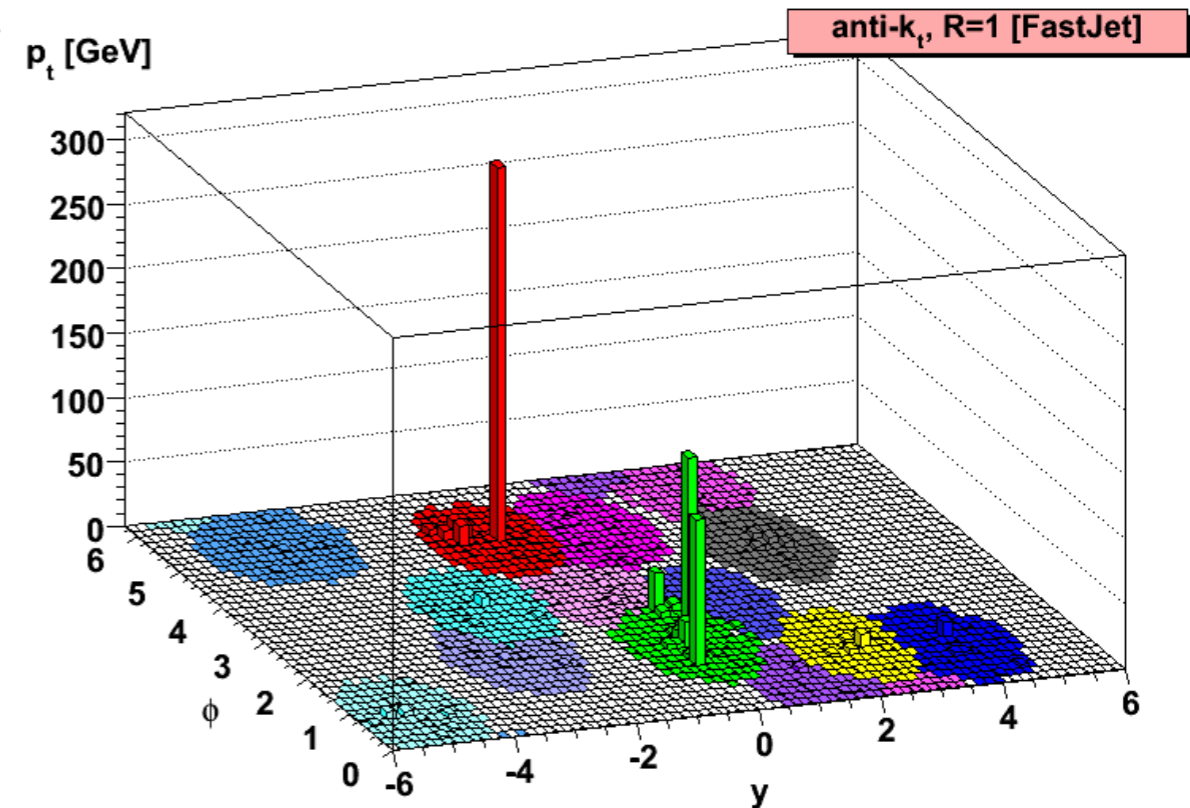
*a 4-momenta recombination scheme is needed (E-scheme)

Anti- k_T algorithm

Measure (dimensionful):

$$d_{ij} = \frac{1}{\max(p_{ti}^2, p_{tj}^2)} \frac{\Delta R_{ij}^2}{R^2}$$

$$d_{iB} = \frac{1}{p_{ti}^2}$$



Objects that are close in angle prefer to cluster early, but that clustering tends to occur with a hard particle (rather than necessarily involving soft particles). This means that jets 'grow' in concentric circles out from a hard core, until they reach a radius R , giving circular jets.

Unlike cone algorithms the 'anti- k_T ' algorithm is collinear (and infrared) safe. This has led to be the default jet algorithm at the LHC.

It's a handy algorithm but it does not provide internal structure information.

Summary

1. We have studied the problem of infrared divergences in the calculation of the fully inclusive cross section, with the help of the soft limit.
2. We have introduced the concept of an infrared safe quantity, i.e., an observable which is both computable at all orders in pQCD and has a well defined counterpart at the experimental level.
3. We have discussed more exclusive quantities, from shape functions to fully exclusive quantities and compared them with $e^+ e^-$ data.
3. We have explained the basic concept idea of a parton shower MC.
4. We have introduced the idea of jet algorithms (top-down and bottom-up) and discussed the most recent algorithms.

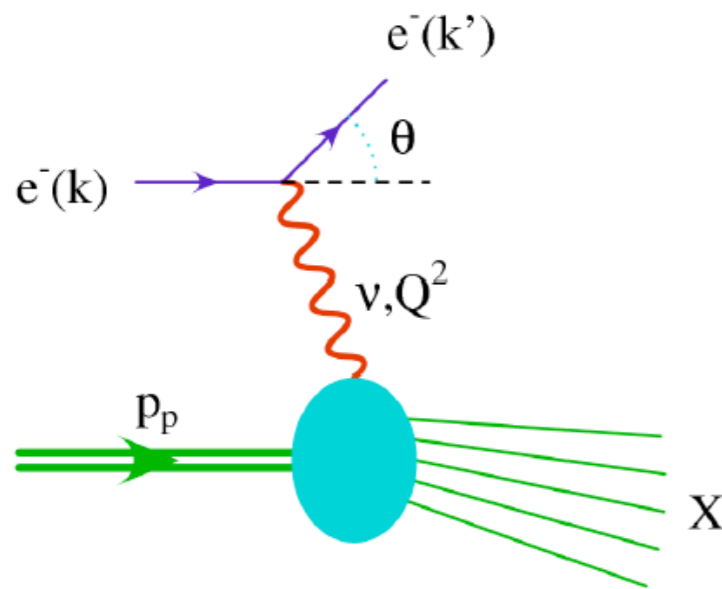
Plan

1. Intro and QCD fundamentals
2. QCD in the final state : $e^+ e^-$ collisions
3. QCD in the initial state : $p p$ collisions

QCD in the initial state

1. DIS: from the parton model to pQCD
2. Q^2 Evolution and PDF's
3. pp collisions : a glimpse

DIS: towards the parton model



$$s = (P + k)^2 \quad \text{cms energy}^2$$

$$Q^2 = -(k - k')^2 \quad \text{momentum transfer}^2$$

$$x = Q^2 / 2(P \cdot q) \quad \text{scaling variable}$$

$$\nu = (P \cdot q) / M = E - E' \quad \text{energy loss}$$

$$y = (P \cdot q) / (P \cdot k) = 1 - E' / E \quad \text{rel. energy loss}$$

$$W^2 = (P + q)^2 = M^2 + \frac{1-x}{x} Q^2 \quad \text{recoil mass}$$

“deep inelastic”: $Q^2 \gg 1 \text{ GeV}^2$

“scaling limit”: $Q^2 \rightarrow \infty, x \text{ fixed}$

The idea is that by measuring all the kinematics variables of the outgoing electron one can study the structure of the proton in terms of the probe characteristics, Q^2, x, y, \dots . Very inclusive measurement from the QCD point of view.

DIS: towards the parton model

* Divide phase-space factor into a leptonic and a hadronic part:

$$d\Phi = \frac{d^3 k'}{(2\pi)^3 2E'} d\Phi_X = \frac{ME}{8\pi^2} y dy dx d\Phi_X$$

* Separate also the square of the Feynman amplitude, by defining:

$$\frac{1}{4} \sum |\mathcal{M}|^2 = \frac{e^4}{Q^4} L^{\mu\nu} h_{X\mu\nu}$$

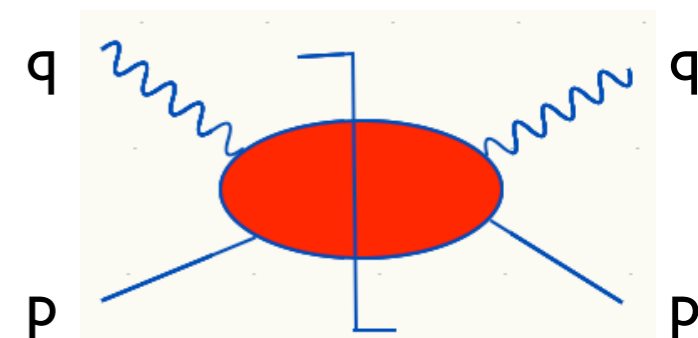
* The leptonic tensor can be calculated explicitly:

$$L^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{4} \text{tr}[k \gamma^\mu k' \gamma^\nu] = k^\mu k'^\nu + k'^\mu k^\nu - g^{\mu\nu} k \cdot k'$$

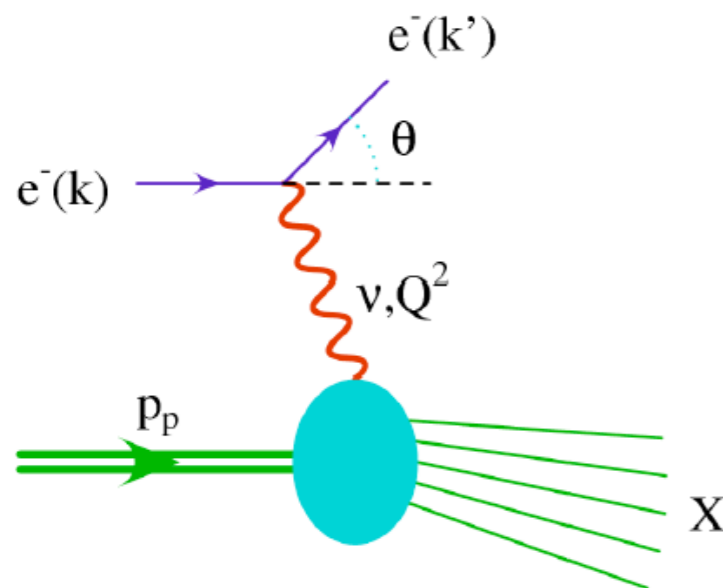
* Combine the hadronic part of the amplitude and phase space into “hadronic tensor” and use just Lorentz symmetry and gauge invariance to write

$$W^{\mu\nu} = \sum_X \int d\Phi_X h_{X\mu\nu}$$

$$W_{\mu\nu}(p, q) = \left(-g_{\mu\nu} - \frac{q_\mu q_\nu}{q^2} \right) F_1(x, Q^2) + \left(p_\mu - q_\mu \frac{p \cdot q}{q^2} \right) \left(p_\nu - q_\nu \frac{p \cdot q}{q^2} \right) \frac{1}{p \cdot q} F_2(x, Q^2)$$



DIS: The parton model



$$\sigma^{ep \rightarrow eX} = \sum_X \frac{1}{4ME} \int d\Phi \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\text{spin}} |\mathcal{M}|^2$$

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{dx dQ^2} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{Q^4} \left\{ [1 + (1 - y)^2] F_1(x, Q^2) + \frac{1 - y}{x} [F_2(x, Q^2) - 2xF_1(x, Q^2)] \right\}$$

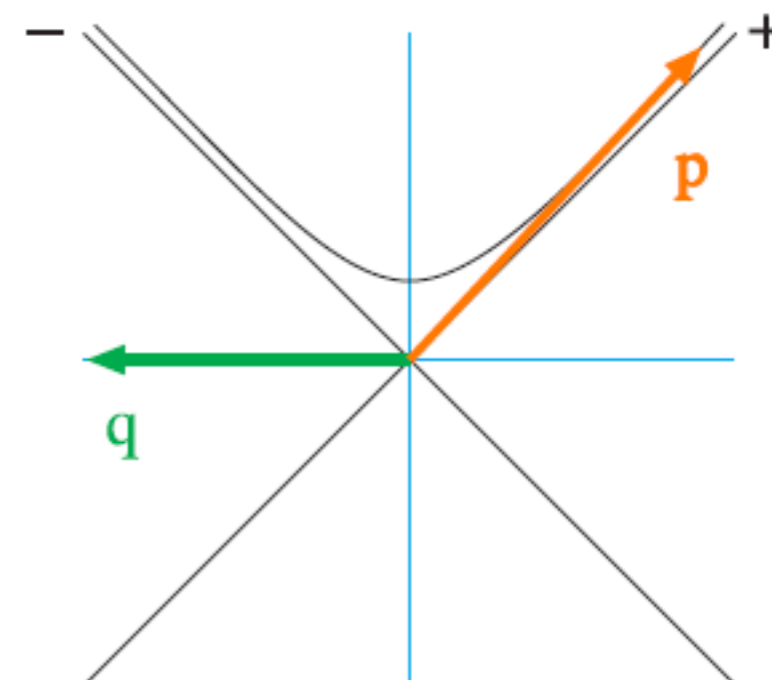
Comments:

- * Different y dependence can differentiate between F_1 and F_2
- * The first term represents the absorption of a transversely polarized photon, the second of a longitudinal one.
- * Bjorken scaling $\Rightarrow F_1$ and F_2 obey scaling themselves, i.e. they do not depend on Q .

A look from the Breit frame

We want to “watch” the scattering from a frame where the physics is clear. Feynman suggested that what happens can be best understood in a reference frame where the proton moves very fast and $Q \gg m_h$ is large.

4-vector	hadron rest frame	Breit frame
(p^+, p^-, \vec{p}_T)	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(m_h, m_h, \vec{0})$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\frac{Q}{x}, \frac{xm_h^2}{Q}, \vec{0})$
(q^+, q^-, \vec{q}_T)	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-m_h x, \frac{Q^2}{m_h x}, \vec{0})$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-Q, Q, \vec{0})$

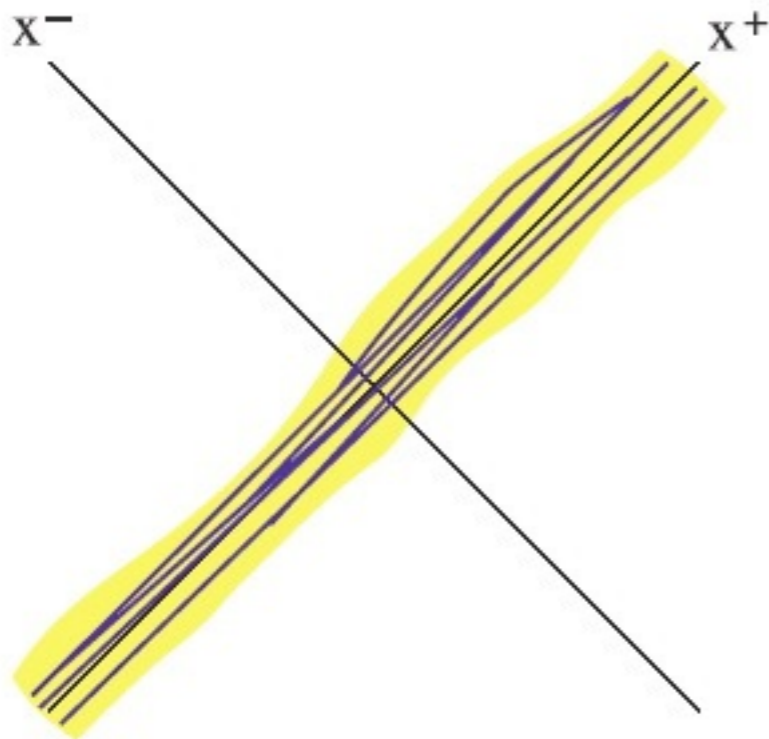


You can check that a Lorentz transformation acts on a light-cone formulation of the four-momentum:

$$(a^+, a^-, \vec{a}) \rightarrow (e^\omega a^+, e^{-\omega} a^-, \vec{a}) \quad \text{with} \quad e^\omega = Q/(xm_h)$$

A look from the Breit frame

Now let's see how the proton looks in this frame, and in the light-cone space coordinates (suitable for describing relativistic particles).



Lorentz transformation divides out the interactions. Hadron at rest has separation of order:

$$\Delta x^+ \sim \Delta x^- \sim 1/m,$$

while in the moving hadron has:

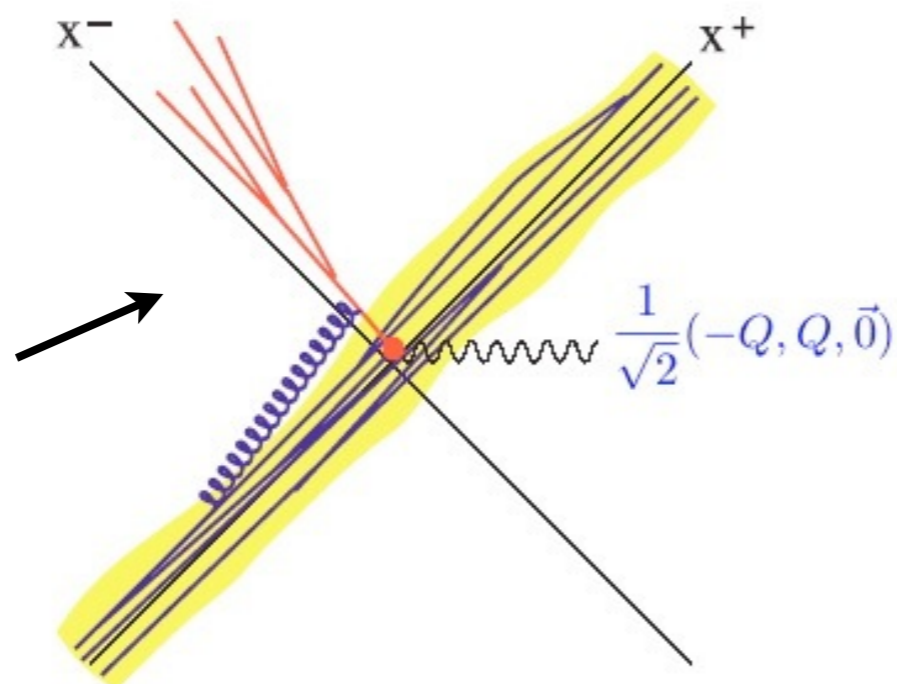
$$\Delta x^+ \sim 1/m \times Q/m = Q/m^2 \quad \text{LARGE}$$

$$\Delta x^- \sim 1/m \times m/Q = 1/Q, \quad \text{SMALL}$$

A look from the Breit frame

And now let the virtual photon hit the fast moving hadron:

Struck quark kicked into the x^- direction



Moving hadron has:

$$\Delta x^+ \sim Q/m^2,$$

interaction with photon $q^- \sim Q$ is localized within

$$\Delta x^+ \sim 1/Q,$$

thus quarks and gluons are like partons and effectively free.

In this frame the time scale of a typical parton-parton interaction is much larger than the hard interaction time.

So we can picture the hadron as an incoherent flux of partons $(p^+, p^-, p_\perp)_i$, each carrying a fraction $0 < \xi_i = p_{i+}/p^+ < 1$ of the total available momentum.

DIS: The parton model

The space-time picture suggests the possibility of separating short- and long-distance physics
 \Rightarrow factorization! Turned into the language of Feynman diagrams DIS looks like:

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{dx dQ^2} = \int_0^1 \frac{d\xi}{\xi} \sum_i f_i(\xi) \frac{d^2\hat{\sigma}}{dx dQ^2} \left(\frac{x}{\xi}, Q^2 \right)$$

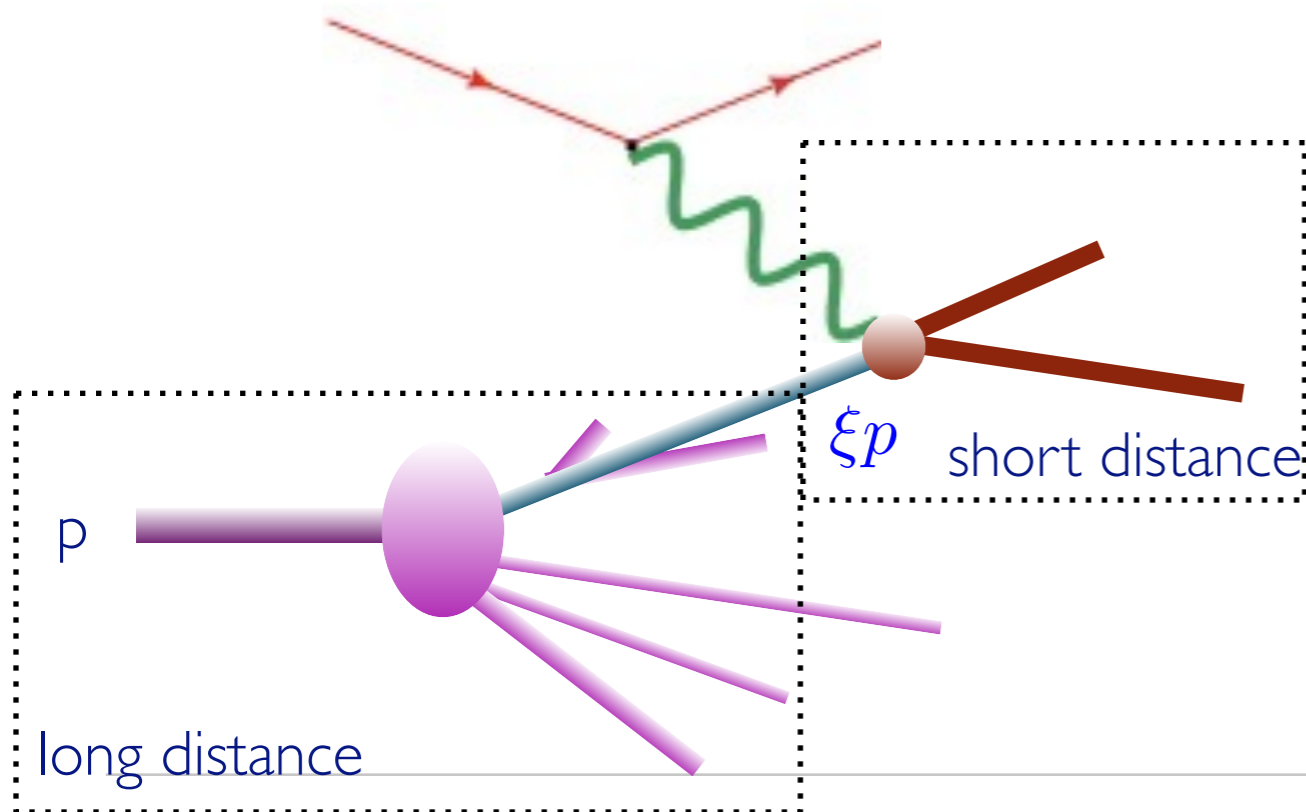
where

$$f_{i/h}(\xi)$$

is the probability to find a parton with flavor i in an hadron h carrying a light-cone momentum ξp^+

$$\frac{d^2\hat{\sigma}}{dx dQ^2}$$

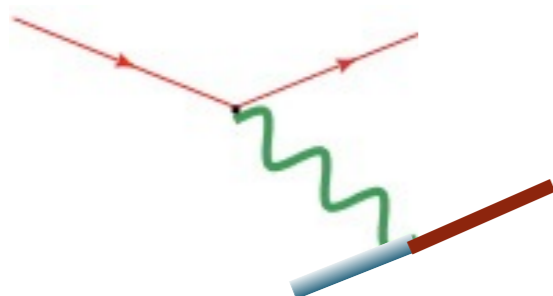
is the cross section for electron-parton scattering



DIS: The parton model

We can now explain scaling within the parton model:

Let's take the LO computation we performed for $e^+e^- \rightarrow qq$, cross it (which also mean to be careful with color), and use it the DIS variables to express the differential cross section in dQ^2



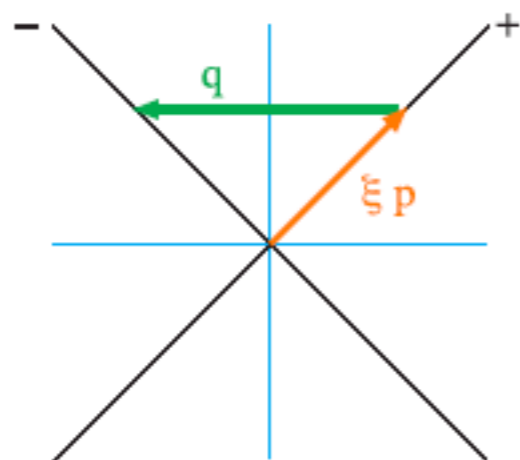
$$\frac{d\hat{\sigma}}{dQ^2} = \frac{2\pi\alpha^2 e_q^2}{Q^4} [1 + (1 - y)^2]$$

Notice that the outgoing quark is on its mass shell:

$$\xi p^+ + q^+ = 0$$

$$p^+ = Q/(x\sqrt{2})$$

$$q^+ = -Q/\sqrt{2}$$



$$\frac{d^2\hat{\sigma}}{dQ^2 dx} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{Q^4} \frac{1}{2} [1 + (1 - y)^2] \delta(x - \xi)$$

This implies that $\xi = x$ at LO!

DIS: The parton model

We can now compare with our “inclusive” description of DIS in terms of structure functions (which, BTW, are physical measurable quantities),

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{dx dQ^2} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{Q^4} \left\{ [1 + (1 - y)^2] F_1(x, Q^2) + \frac{1 - y}{x} [F_2(x, Q^2) - 2xF_1(x, Q^2)] \right\}$$

with our parton model formulas:

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{dx dQ^2} = \int_0^1 \frac{d\xi}{\xi} \sum_i f_i(\xi) \frac{d^2\sigma}{d\hat{x} dQ^2} \left(\frac{x}{\xi}, Q^2 \right) \quad \text{with} \quad \frac{d^2\hat{\sigma}}{dQ^2 dx} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{Q^4} \frac{1}{2} [1 + (1 - y)^2] e_q^2 \delta(x - \xi)$$

we find (be careful to distinguish x and ξ)

$$F_2(x) = 2xF_1 = \sum_{i=q, \bar{q}} \int_0^1 d\xi f_i(\xi) x e_q^2 \delta(x - \xi) = \sum_{i=q, \bar{q}} e_q^2 x f_i(x)$$

- * So we find the scaling is true: no dependence on Q^2 .
- * q and \bar{q} enter together : no way to distinguish them with NC. Charged currents are needed.
- * $FL(x) = F_2(x) - 2 F_1(x)$ vanishes at LO (Callan-Gross relation), which is a test that quarks are spin 1/2 particles! In fact if the quarks were scalars we would have had $F_1(x) = 0$ and $F_2 = FL$.

DIS: The parton model

Probed at scale Q , sea contains all quarks flavours with m_q less than Q .
For $Q \sim 1$ we expect

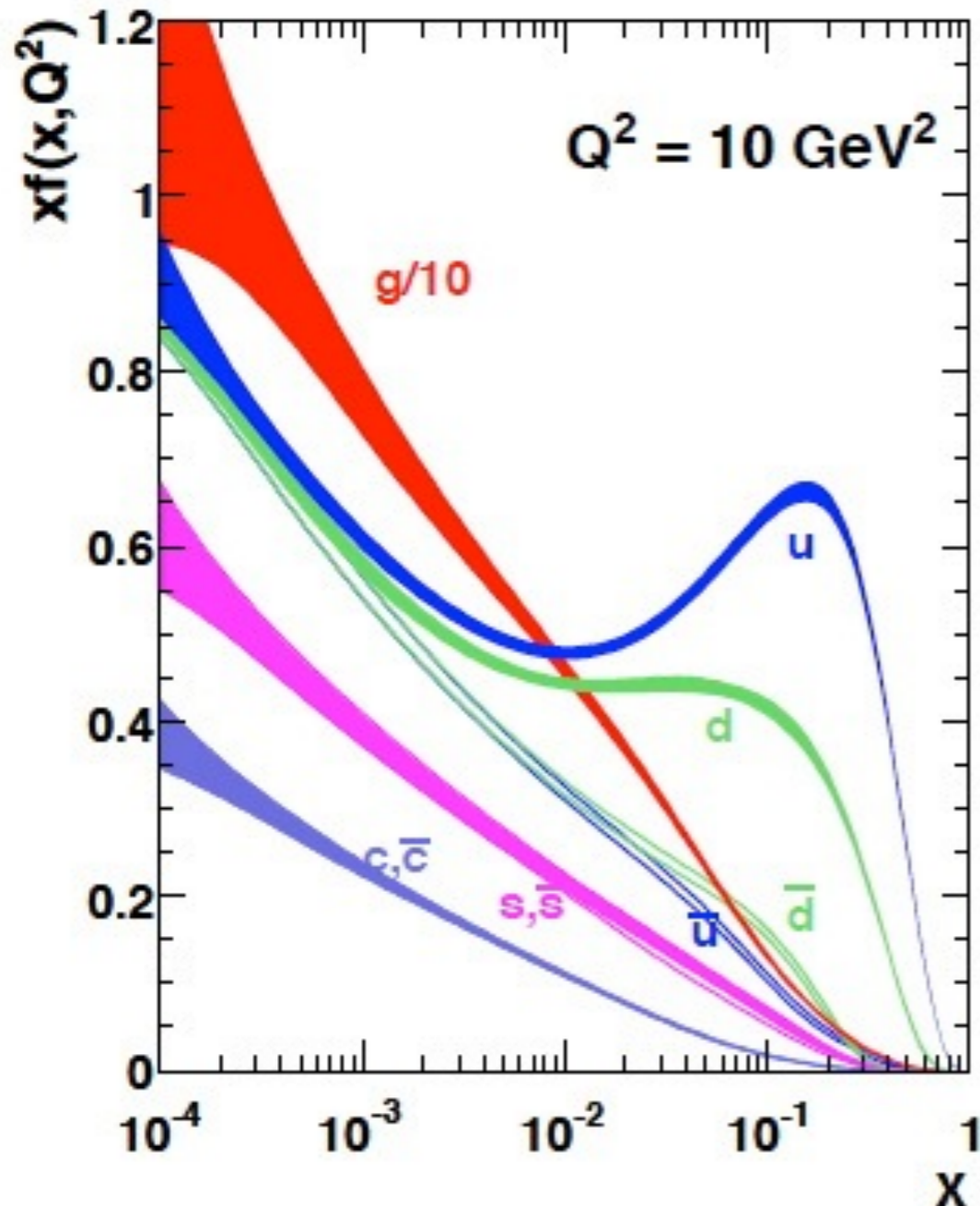
$$\begin{aligned} u(x) &= u_V(x) + \bar{u}(x) \\ d(x) &= d_V(x) + \bar{d}(x) \\ s(x) &= \bar{s}(x) \end{aligned} \quad \int_0^1 dx u_V(x) = 2, \quad \int_0^1 dx d_V(x) = 1.$$

And experimentally one finds

$$\sum_q \int_0^1 dx x [q(x) + \bar{q}(x)] \simeq 0.5.$$

Thus quarks carry only about 50% of proton's momentum. The rest is carried by gluons. Although not directly measured in DIS, gluons participate in other hard scattering processes such as large- p_t and prompt photon production.

Quark and gluon distribution functions



Comments:

The sea is NOT SU(3) flavor symmetric.

The gluon is huge at small x

There is an asymmetry between the u bar and d bar quarks in the sea.

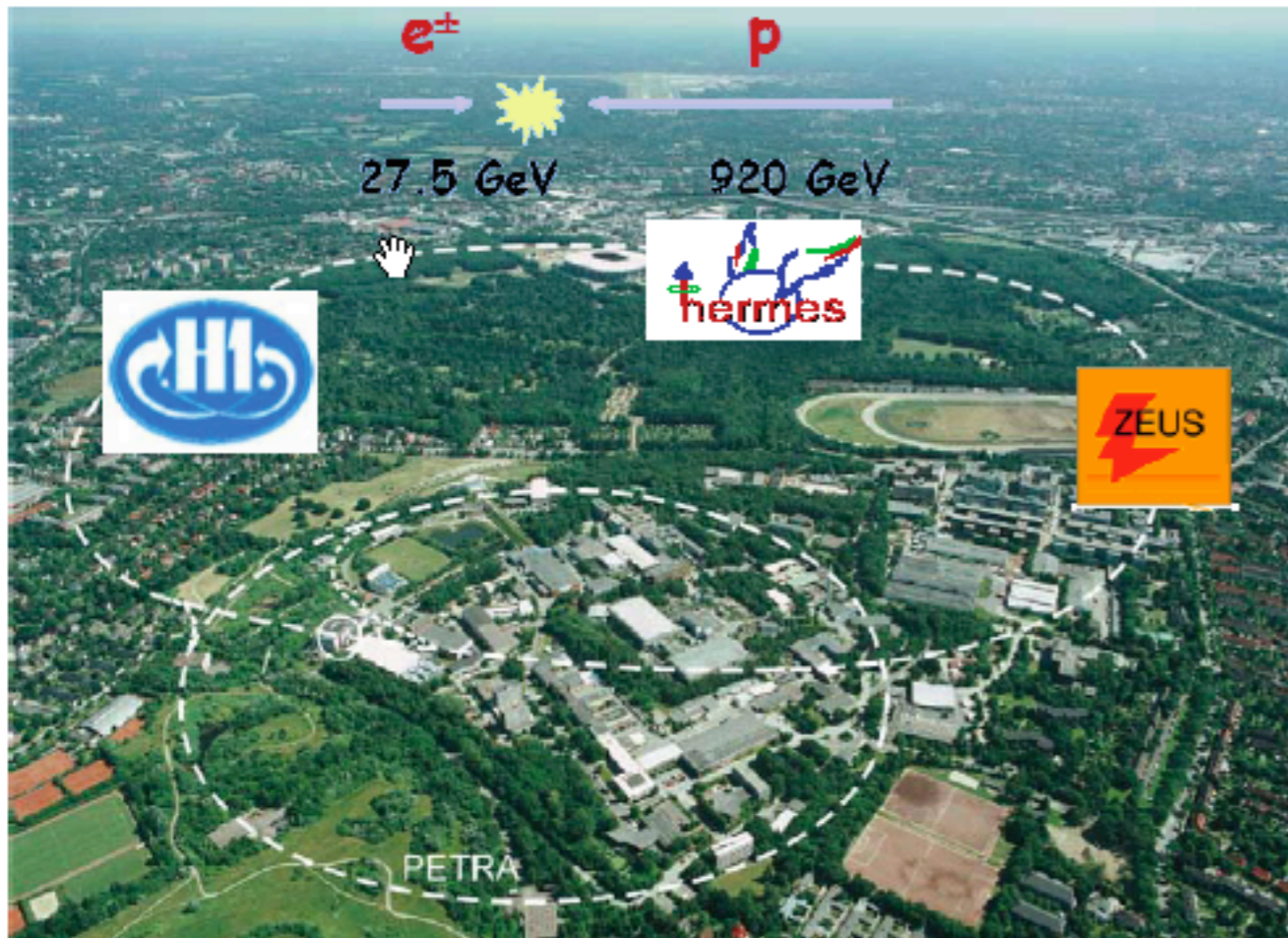
Note that there are uncertainty bands!!

Questions:

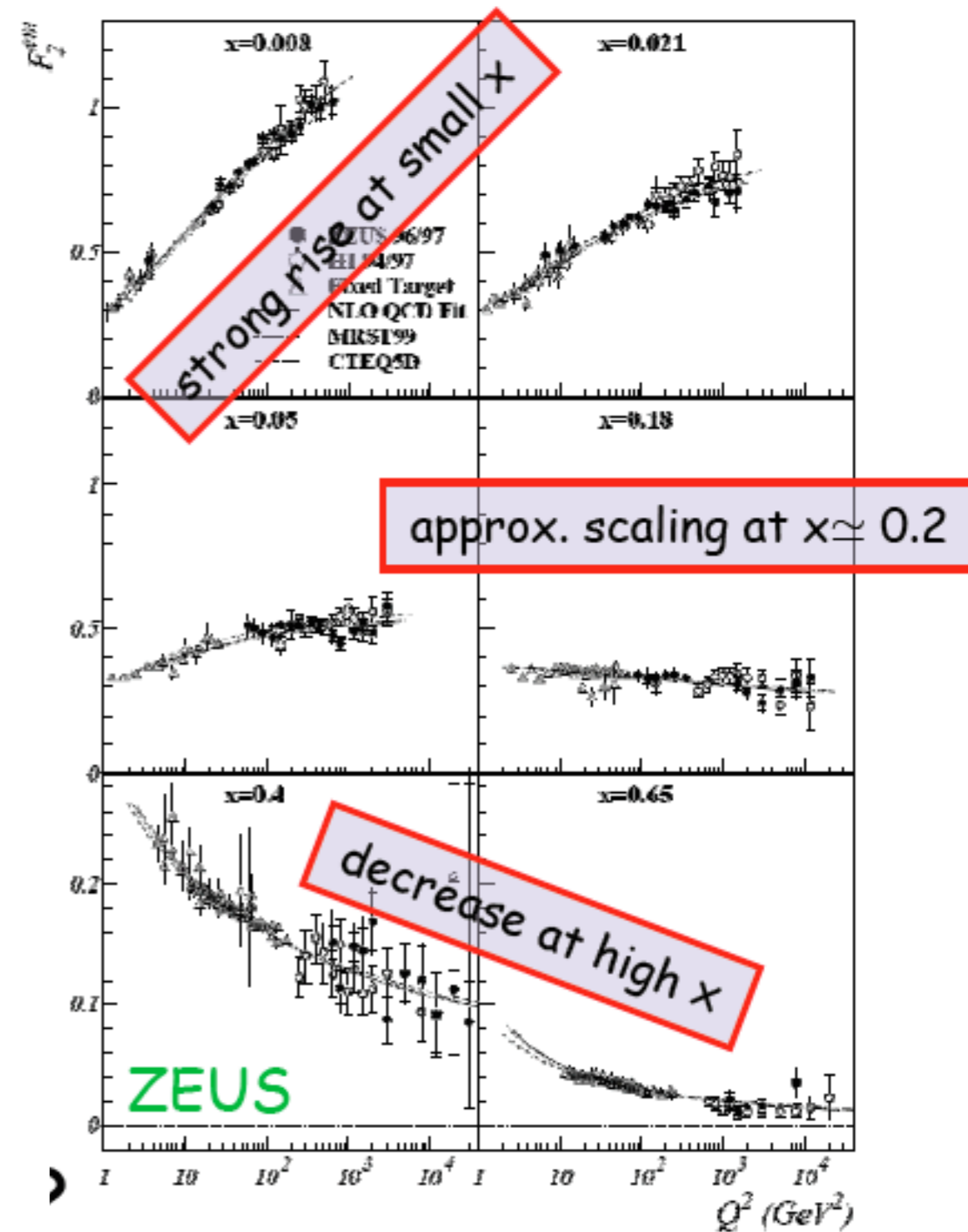
1. What has QCD to say about the naïve parton model?
2. Is the picture unchanged when higher order corrections are included?
3. Is scaling exact?

Scaling violations

first ep collider



At HERA scaling violations were observed!

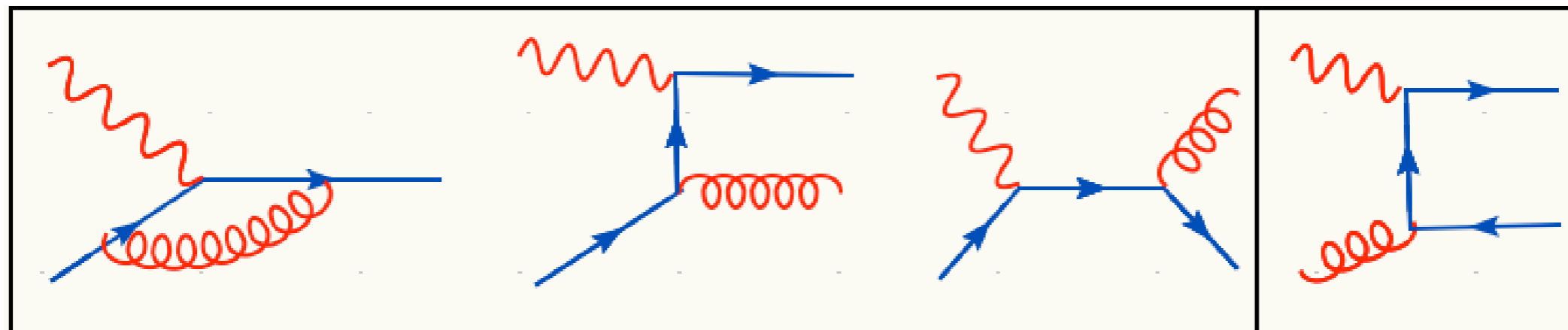
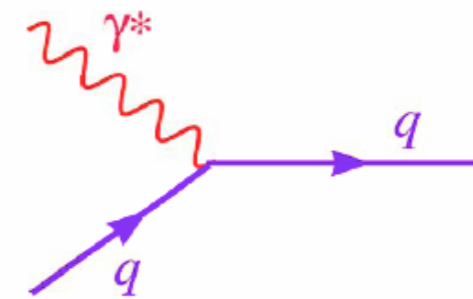


DIS in QCD

We got a long way without even invoking QCD. Let's do it now.

The first diagram to consider is the same as in the parton model:

At NLO we find again both real and virtual corrections:



α_s corrections to the LO process

photon-gluon fusion

Our experience so far: have to expect IR divergences!

In order to make the intermediate steps of the calculation finite, we introduce a regulator, which will be removed at the end.

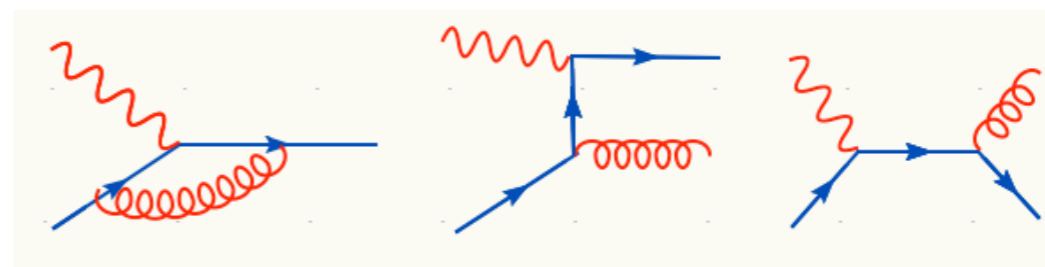
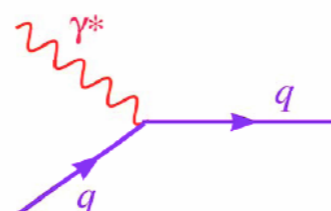
Dimensional regularization is the best choice to perform serious calculations.

However for illustrative purposes other regulators (that cannot be easily used beyond NLO) are better suited. We'll use here a small quark/gluon mass.

DIS in QCD

Once we compute the diagrams we indeed find that UV and soft divergences all cancel, but for a collinear divergence arising when the emitted gluon becomes collinear to the incoming quark:

$$\frac{d^2 \hat{\sigma}}{dx dQ^2} \Big|_{F_2} \equiv \hat{F}_2^q$$

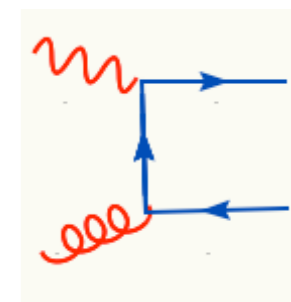


$$= e_q^2 x \left[\delta(1-x) + \frac{\alpha_S}{4\pi} \left[P_{qq}(x) \log \frac{Q^2}{m_g^2} + C_2^q(x) \right] \right]$$

$$\frac{d^2 \hat{\sigma}}{dx dQ^2} \Big|_{F_2} \equiv \hat{F}_2^g$$

$$= \sum_q e_q^2 x \left[0 + \frac{\alpha_S}{4\pi} \left[P_{qg}(x) \log \frac{Q^2}{m_q^2} + C_2^g(x) \right] \right]$$

IR cutoff



The presence of large logs is a clear sign that we have a residual infrared sensitivity that we have to deal with!

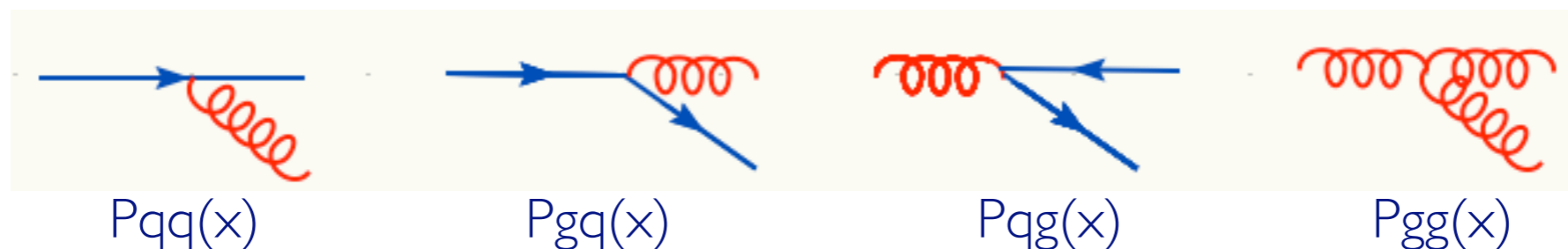
DIS in QCD

Important observations:

1. Large logarithms of Q^2/m^2 or $(1/\epsilon$ in dim reg) incorporate ALL the RESIDUAL long-distance physics left after summing over all real and virtual diagram. These terms are of a collinear nature.
2. The coefficients $P_{ij}(x)$ that multiply the log's are UNIVERSAL and calculable in perturbative QCD.

They are called SPLITTING FUNCTIONS and their physical meaning is easy to give:

$P_{ij}(x)$ give the probability that a parton j splits collinearly into a parton i + something else carrying a momentum fraction x of the original parton j .



DIS in QCD

So the natural question is: what is it that is going wrong? Do we have IR sensitiveness in a physical observable? Well not yet!!

To obtain the physical cross section we have to convolute our partonic results with the parton densities, as we have learned from the parton model.

For instance:

$$F_2^q(x, Q^2) = x \sum_{i=q, \bar{q}} e_q^2 \left[f_{i,0}(x) + \frac{\alpha_S}{2\pi} \int_x^1 \frac{d\xi}{\xi} f_{i,0}(\xi) \left[P_{qq}\left(\frac{x}{\xi}\right) \log \frac{Q^2}{m_g^2} + C_2^q\left(\frac{x}{\xi}\right) \right] \right]$$

And now comes the magic: as long as the divergences are universal and do not depend on the hard scattering functions but only on the partons involved in the splitting, we can reabsorb the dependence on the IR cutoff (once for all!) into $f_{q,0}(x)$:

$$f_q(x, \mu_f) \equiv f_{q,0}(x) + \frac{\alpha_S}{2\pi} \int_x^1 \frac{d\xi}{\xi} f_{q,0}(\xi) P_{qq}\left(\frac{x}{\xi}\right) \log \frac{\mu_f^2}{m_g^2} + z_{qq}$$

“Renormalized” parton densities: we have factorized the IR collinear physics into a quantity that we cannot calculate but it is universal. So how does the final result looks like?

Factorization

The structure function is a MEASURABLE object, therefore, at all orders, it cannot depend on the choice of scales.

This will lead exactly to the same concepts of renormalization group invariance that we found in the UV.

The final result depends of course also on α_s and therefore to the choice of the renormalization scale.

$$F_2^q(x, Q^2) = x \sum_{i=q, \bar{q}} e_q^2 \int_x^1 \frac{d\xi}{\xi} f_i(\xi, \mu_f^2) \left[\delta\left(1 - \frac{x}{\xi}\right) + \frac{\alpha_s(\mu_r)}{2\pi} \left[P_{qq}\left(\frac{x}{\xi}\right) \log \frac{Q^2}{\mu_f^2} + (C_2^q - z_{qq})\left(\frac{x}{\xi}\right) \right] \right]$$

Long distance physics is universally factorized into the parton distribution functions. These cannot be calculated in pQCD. They depend on μ_f in the exact way so as to cancel the overall dependence at all orders.

Short-distance (Wilson coefficient), perturbative calculable and finite. It depends on the factorization scale. It also depends on finite terms which define the factorization scheme.

Factorization

$$F_2^q(x, Q^2) = x \sum_{i=q, \bar{q}} e_q^2 \int_x^1 \frac{d\xi}{\xi} f_i(\xi, \mu_f^2) \left[\delta\left(1 - \frac{x}{\xi}\right) + \frac{\alpha_S(\mu_r)}{2\pi} \left[P_{qq}\left(\frac{x}{\xi}\right) \log \frac{Q^2}{\mu_f^2} + (C_2^q - z_{qq})\left(\frac{x}{\xi}\right) \right] \right]$$

Questions:

1. Can we exploit the fact that physical quantities have to be scale independent to gain information on the pdfs?
2. What exactly have we gained in hiding the large logs in the redefined pdf's? Aren't we just hiding the problem?

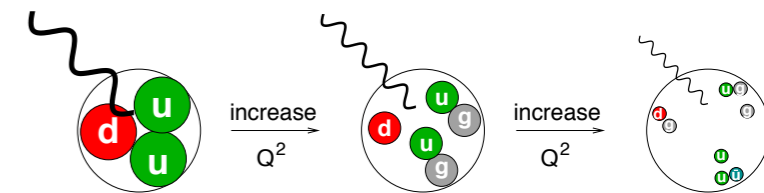
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Evolution



$$F_2(x, Q^2) \sim \sum_i f_i(x, \mu_f) \otimes \hat{F}_2(x, \frac{Q}{\mu_f})$$

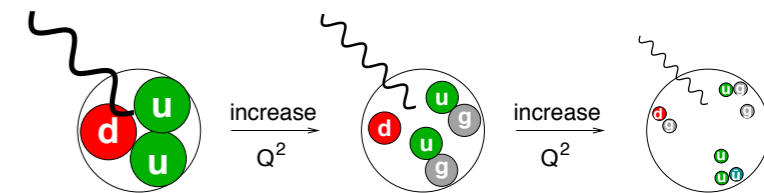
As a first step it is very convenient to transform the nasty convolution into a simple product. This can be done with the help of a Mellin transform:

$$f(N) \equiv \int_0^1 dx x^{N-1} f(x) \quad \text{small/large } x \Leftrightarrow \text{small/large } N$$

Let us show that a Mellin transform turns a convolution into a simple product:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 dx x^{N-1} \left[\int_x^1 \frac{dy}{y} f(y) g\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) \right] &\equiv \int_0^1 dx x^{N-1} \int_0^1 dy \int_0^1 dz \delta(x - zy) f(y) g(z) \\ &= \int_0^1 dy \int_0^1 dz (zy)^{N-1} f(y) g(z) = f(N) g(N) \end{aligned}$$

Evolution



$$F_2(x, Q^2) \sim \sum_i f_i(x, \mu_f) \otimes \hat{F}_2(x, \frac{Q}{\mu_f})$$

Let's now apply it to F2

$$\frac{dF_2(x, Q^2)}{d \log \mu_f} = 0$$

we get:

$$\frac{dq(N, \mu_f)}{d \log \mu_f} \hat{F}_2(N, \frac{\mu_f}{Q}) + q(N, \mu_f) \frac{d\hat{F}_2(N, \frac{\mu_f}{Q})}{d \log \mu_f} = 0$$

$$\frac{d \log \hat{F}_2(N, \frac{Q}{\mu_f})}{d \log \frac{Q}{\mu_f}} = \frac{d \log q(N, \mu_f)}{d \log \mu_f} = k$$

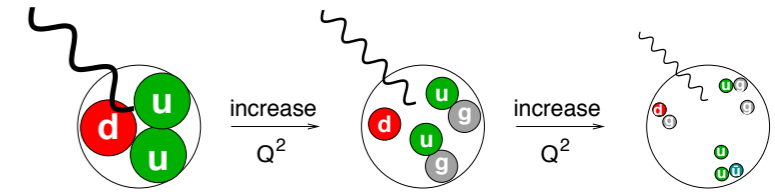
whose solution is:

$$q(N, \mu) = q(N, \mu_0) e^{k \log(\frac{\mu_f}{\mu_0})}$$

The pdf “evolves” with the scale!

These are called anomalous dimensions and are just the Mellin transform of the corresponding splitting function

Evolution



The solution for q can be rewritten in terms of t and α_S as follows:

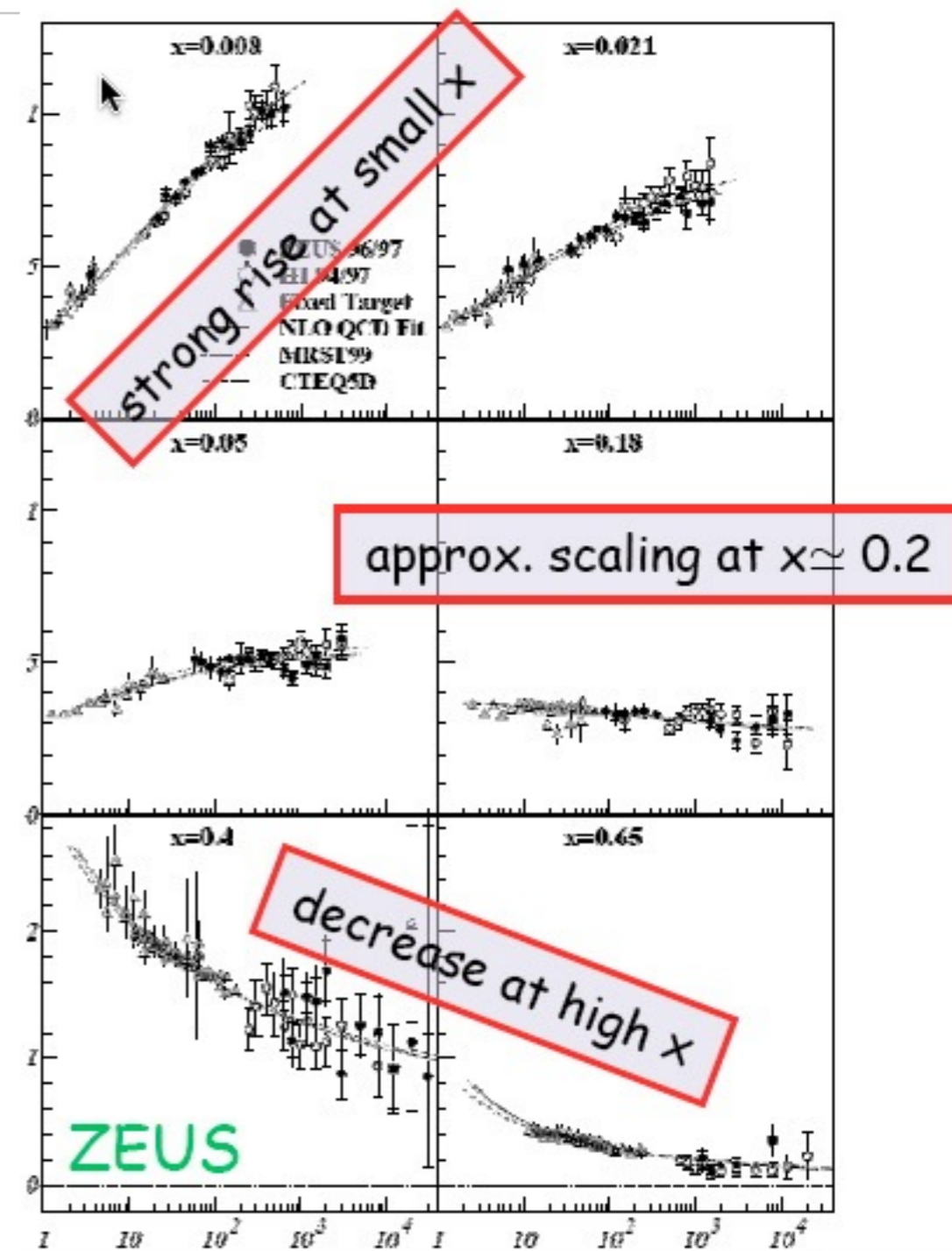
$$t = \log Q^2 / \Lambda^2$$

$$q(N, t) = q(N, t_0) \left(\frac{\alpha_S(t_0)}{\alpha_S(t)} \right)^{d_{qq}(N)}$$

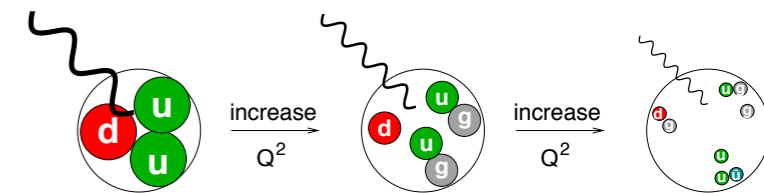
where

$$d_{qq}(N) = \gamma_{qq}^{(0)} / 2\pi b_0$$

Now $d_{qq}(1)=0$ and $d_{qq}(N) < 0$ for $N > 1$. Thus as t increases q decreases at large x and increases at small x . Physically this is due to an increase in the phase space for gluon emission by quarks as t increases, leading to a loss of momentum.



Evolution



In fact the equations are a bit more complicated as quarks and gluons do mix. It is convenient to introduce two linear combinations, the singlet Σ and the non-singlet q^{NS} to separate the piece that mixes with that that does not:

$$\Sigma(x, Q^2) = \sum_{i=1}^{n_f} (q_i(x, Q^2) + \bar{q}_i(x, Q^2))$$

this is coupled to the gluon

$$q^{\text{NS}}(x, Q^2) = q_i(x, Q^2) - \bar{q}_j(x, Q^2)$$

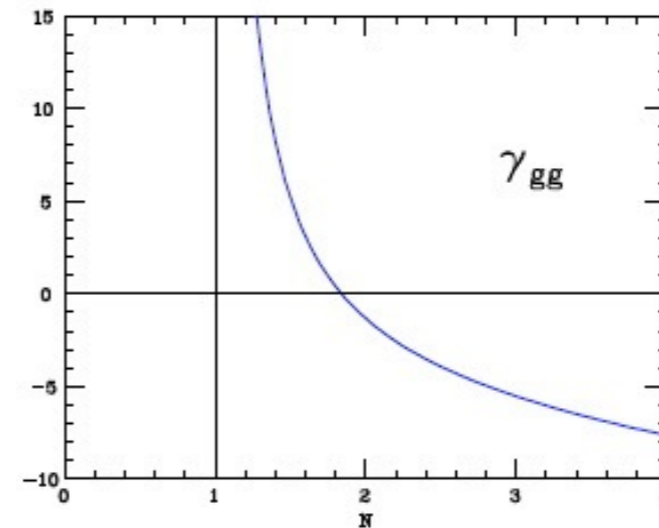
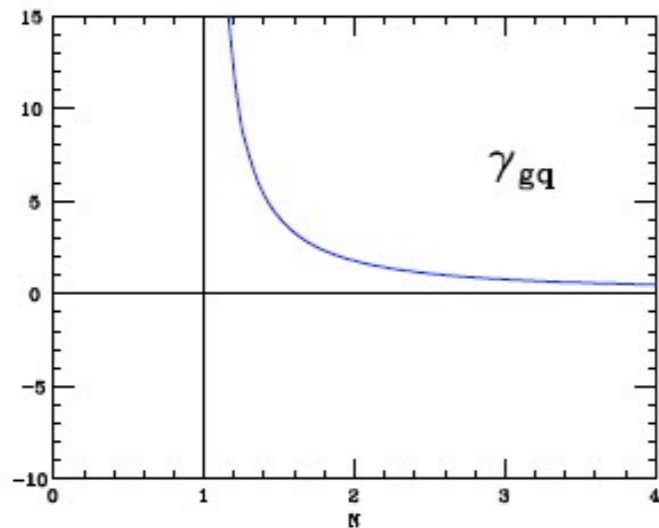
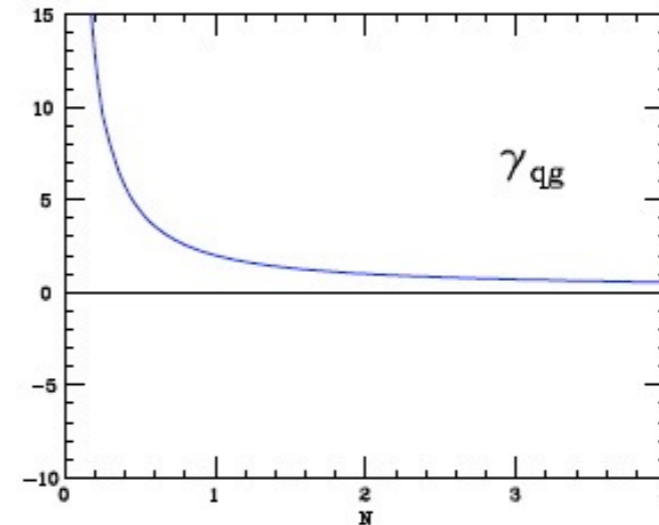
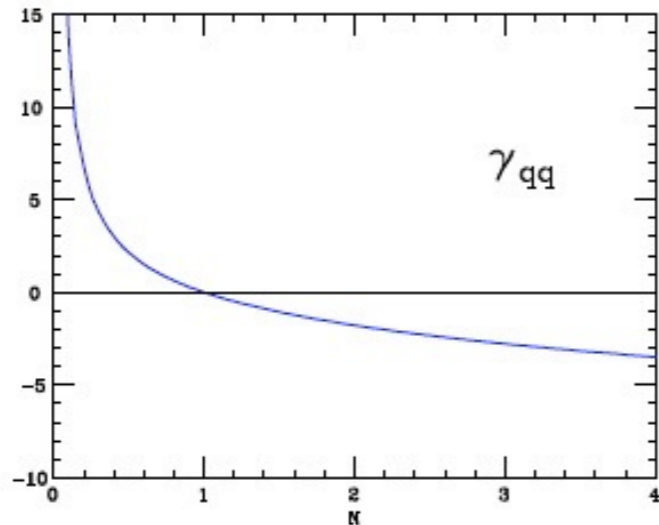
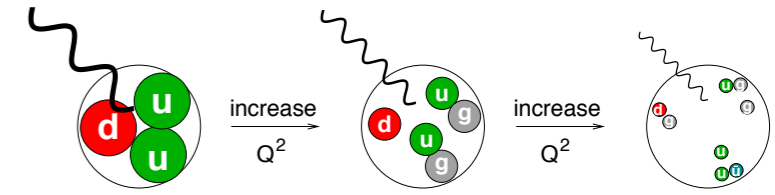
these evolve independently

The complete evolution equations (in Mellin space) to solve are:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \Delta q^{\text{NS}}(N, Q^2) = \frac{\alpha_S(t)}{2\pi} \gamma_{qq}^{\text{NS}}(N, \alpha_S(t)) \Delta q^{\text{NS}}(N, Q^2)$$

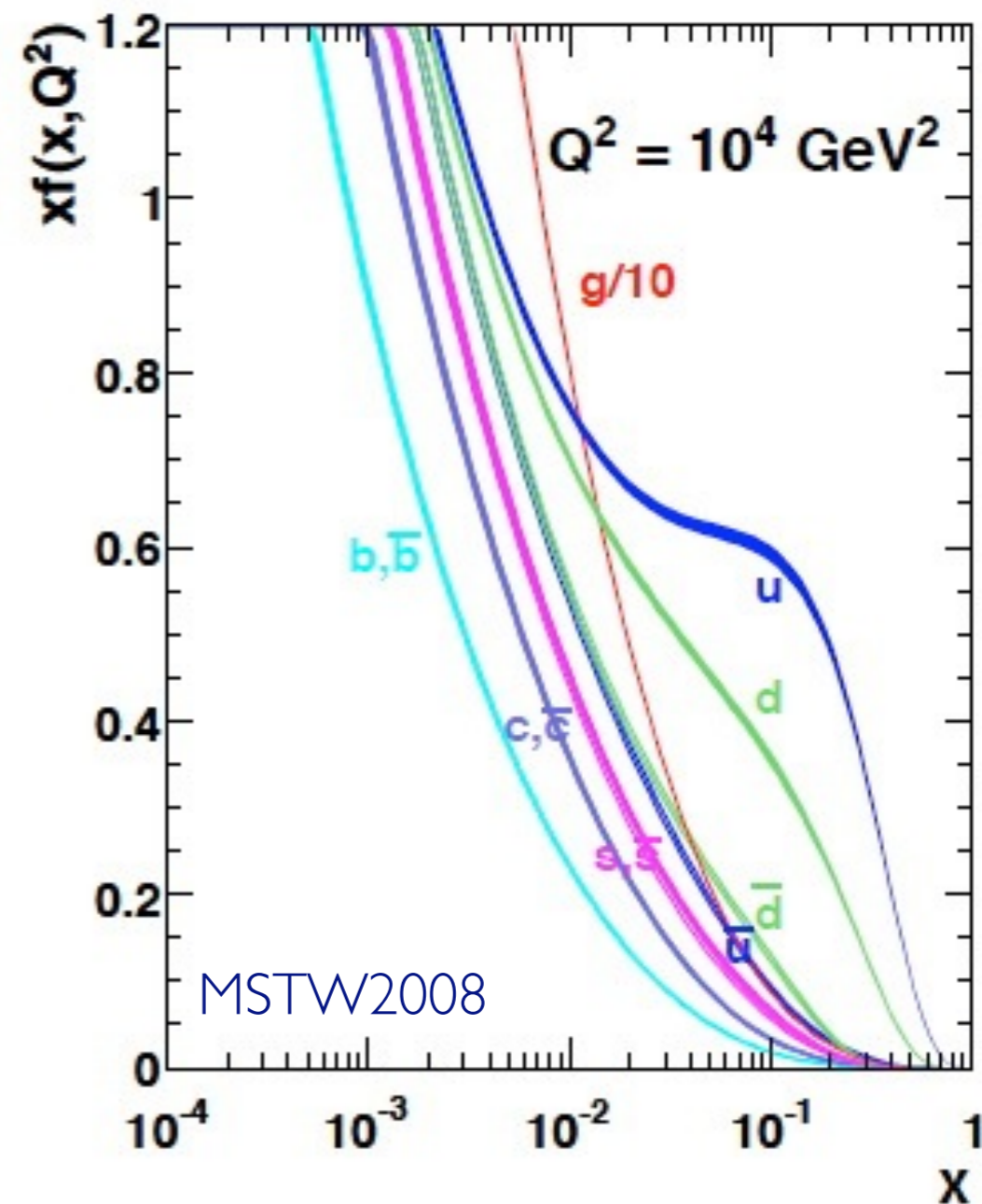
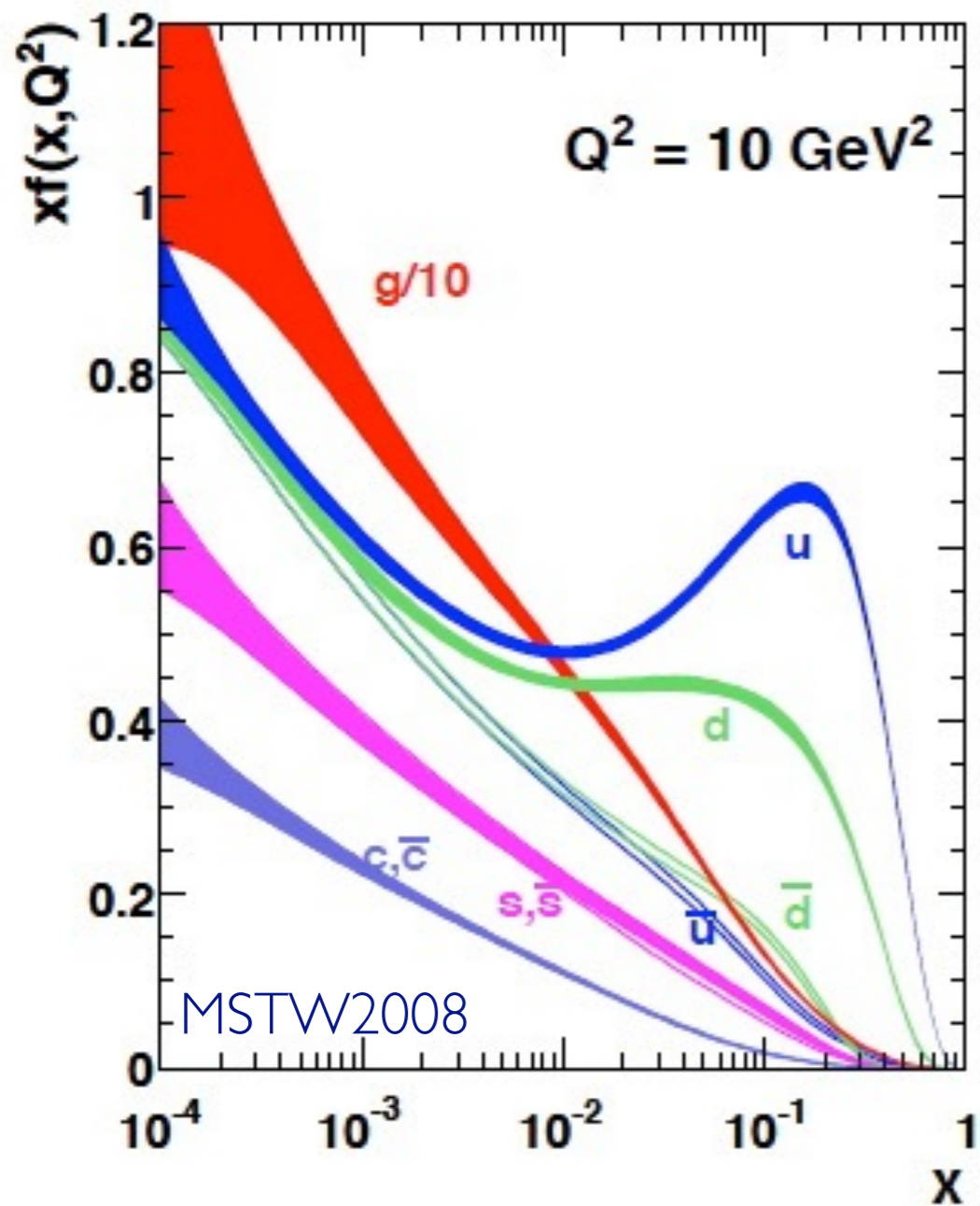
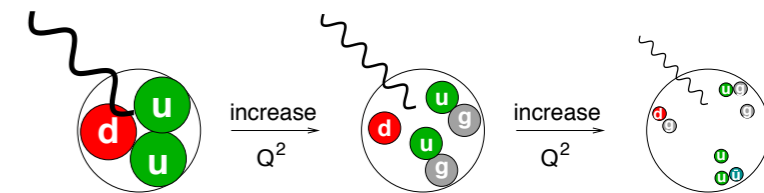
$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} \Delta \Sigma(N, Q^2) \\ \Delta g(N, Q^2) \end{pmatrix} = \frac{\alpha_S(t)}{2\pi} \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_{qq}^{\text{S}} & 2n_f \gamma_{qg}^{\text{S}} \\ \gamma_{gq}^{\text{S}} & \gamma_{gg}^{\text{S}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Delta \Sigma(N, Q^2) \\ \Delta g(N, Q^2) \end{pmatrix}$$

Evolution



- As Q^2 increases, pdf's decrease at large x and increase at small x due to radiation and momentum loss.
- Gluon singularity at $N=1 \Rightarrow$ it grows more at small x .
- $\gamma_{qq}(1)=0 \Rightarrow$ number of quarks conserved.

Evolution



Final strategy for QCD predictions

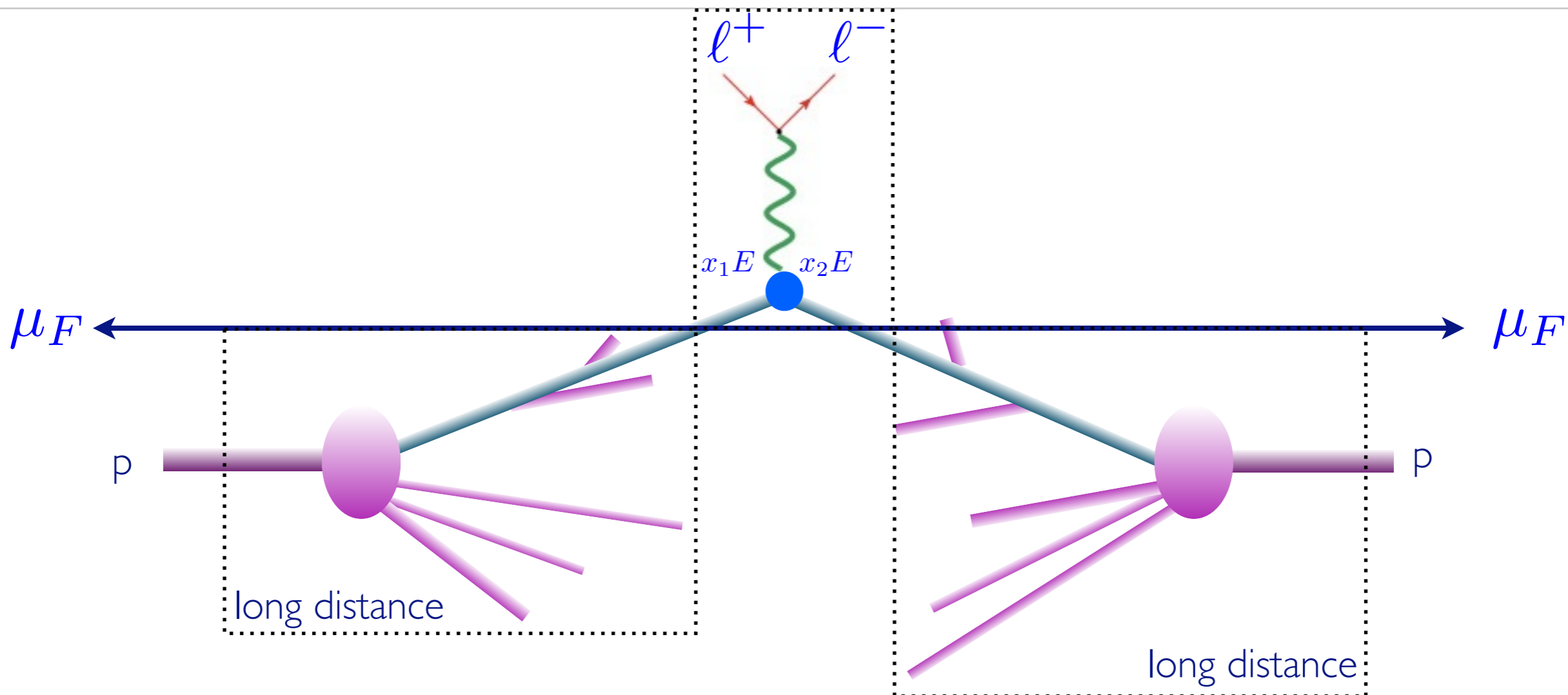
We now have a strategy to get a reliable result in perturbation theory:

1. Calculate the short distance coefficient in pQCD corresponding to an observable. All divergences will cancel except those due to the collinear splitting of initial partons.
2. Re-absorb such divergences in the pdf's and introduce a factorization scale.
3. Extract from experiment the initial condition for the pdf's at a given reference scale.
4. Evolve the pdf's at the scale of the process we are interested in. In so doing all large logs of the factorization scale over a small scale are resummed.

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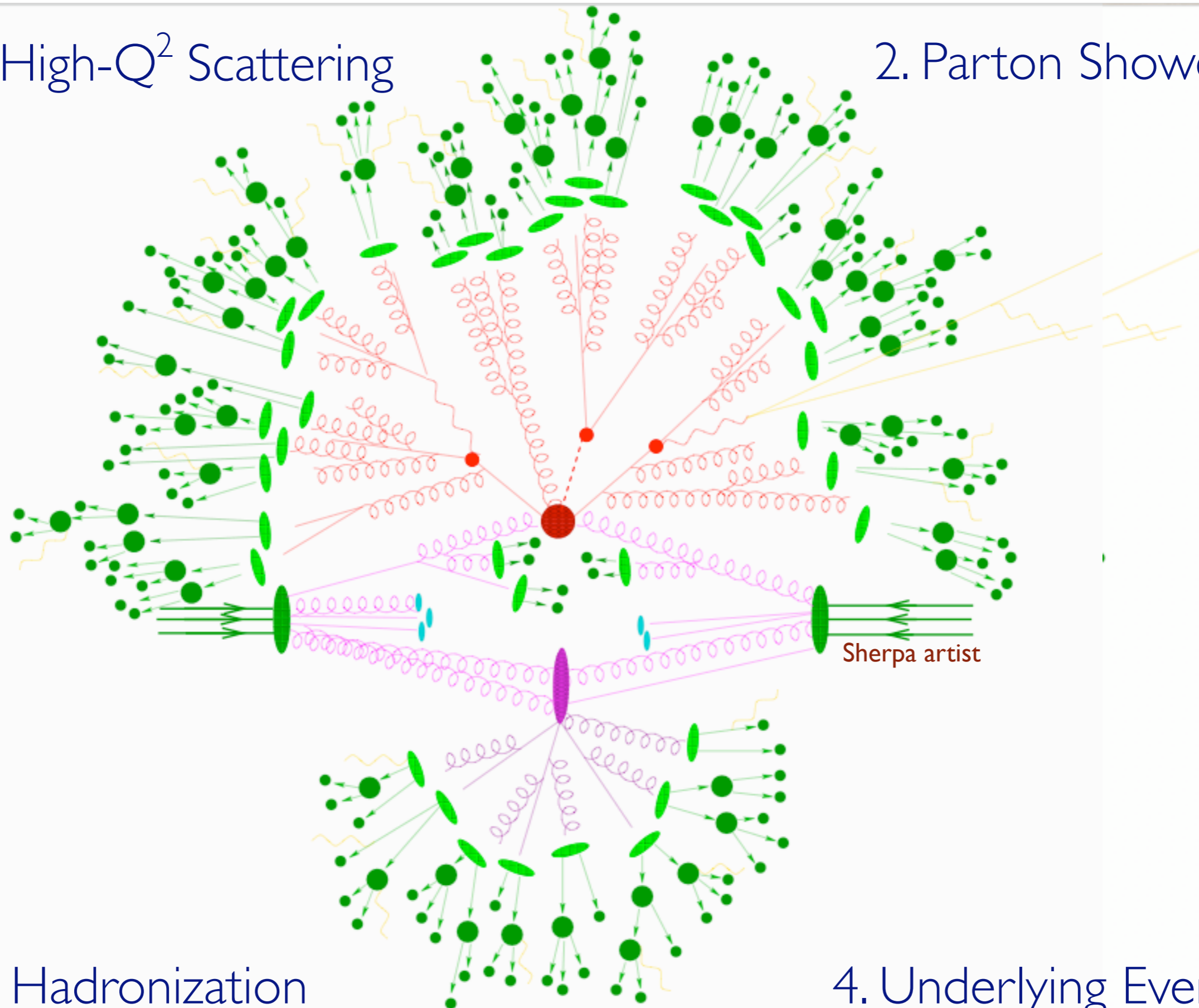
LHC master formula



$$\sigma_X = \sum_{a,b} \int_0^1 dx_1 dx_2 f_a(x_1, \mu_F^2) f_b(x_2, \mu_F^2) \times \hat{\sigma}_{ab \rightarrow X}(x_1, x_2, \alpha_S(\mu_R^2), \frac{Q^2}{\mu_F^2}, \frac{Q^2}{\mu_R^2})$$

1. High- Q^2 Scattering

2. Parton Shower

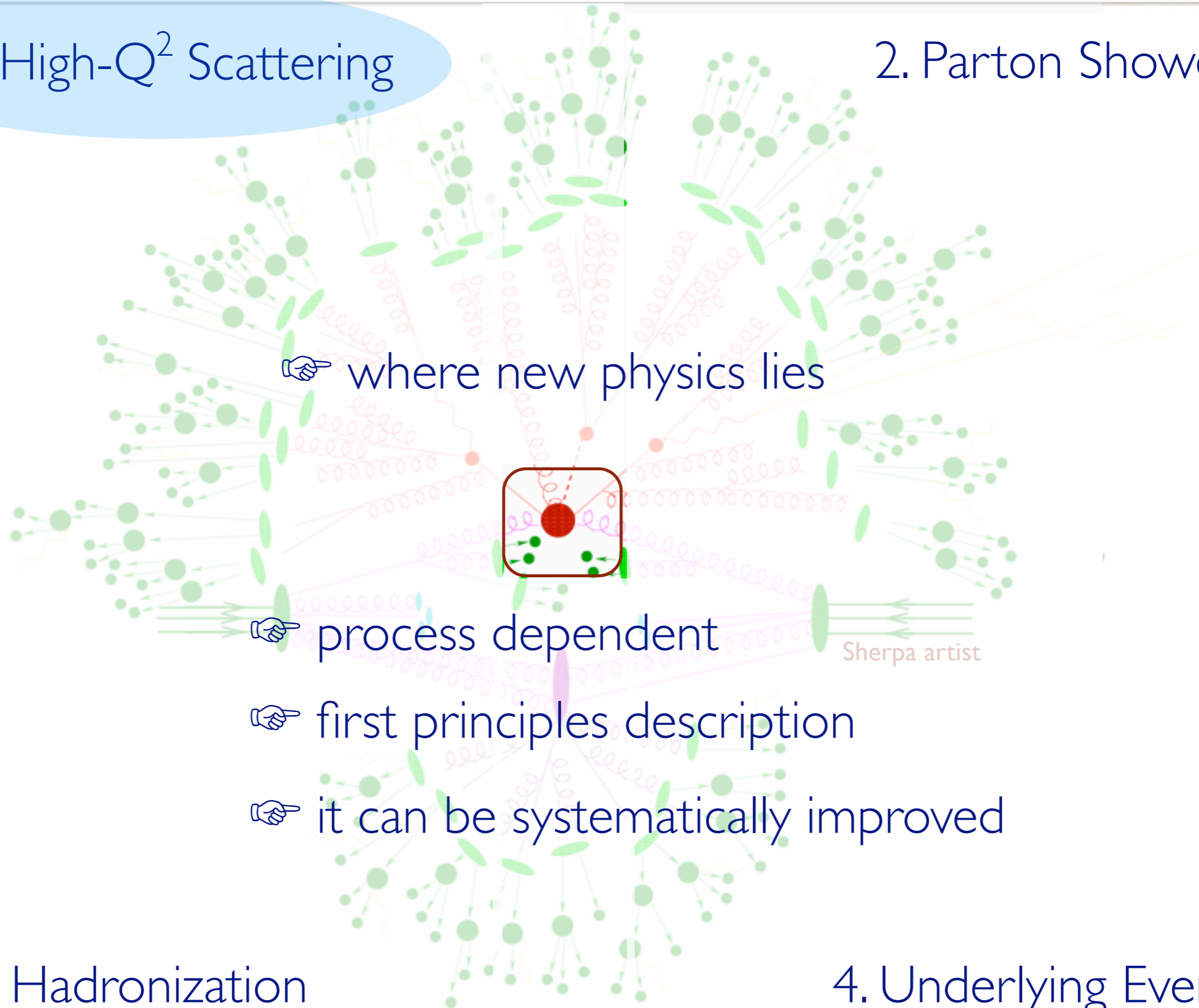


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4. Underlying Event

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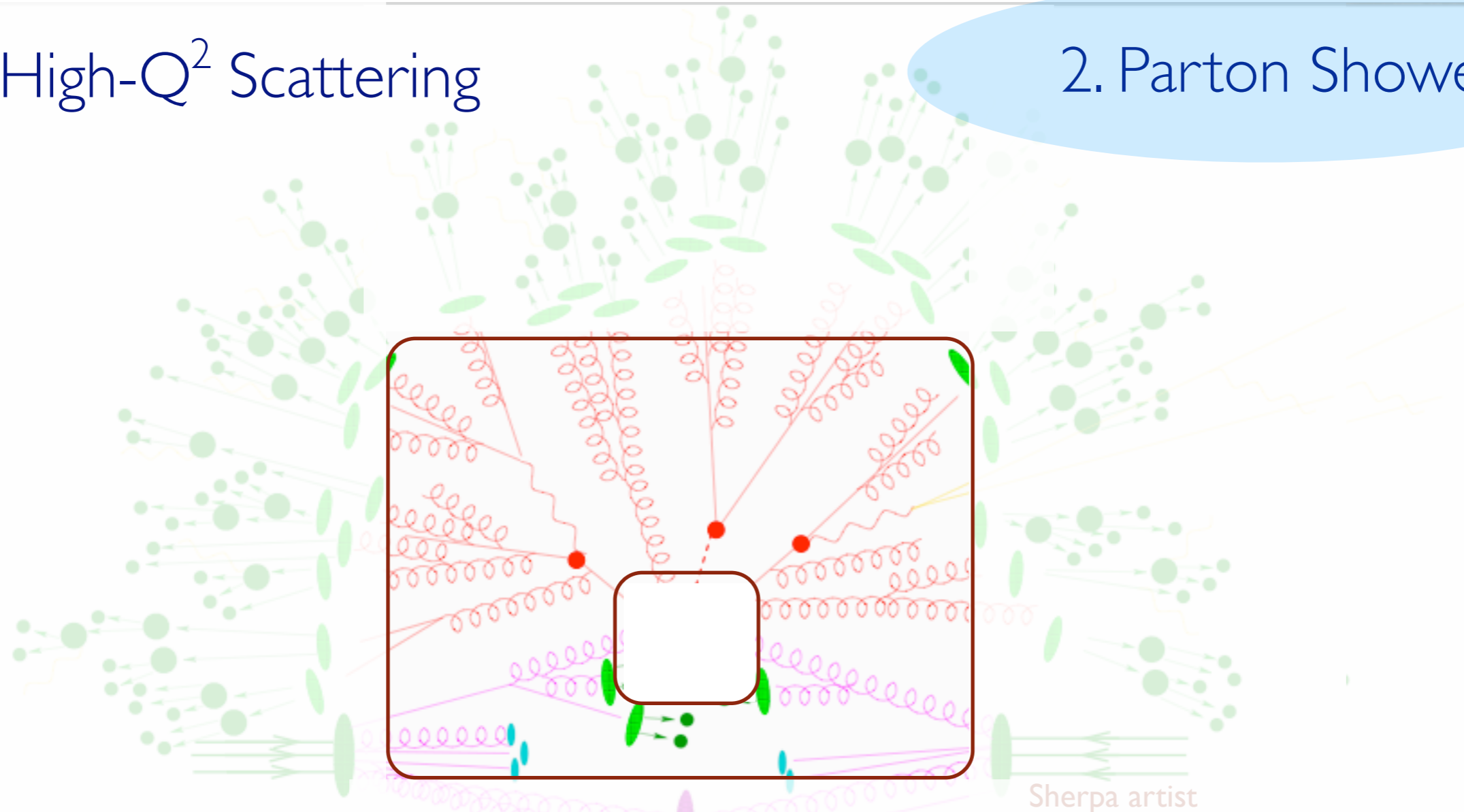


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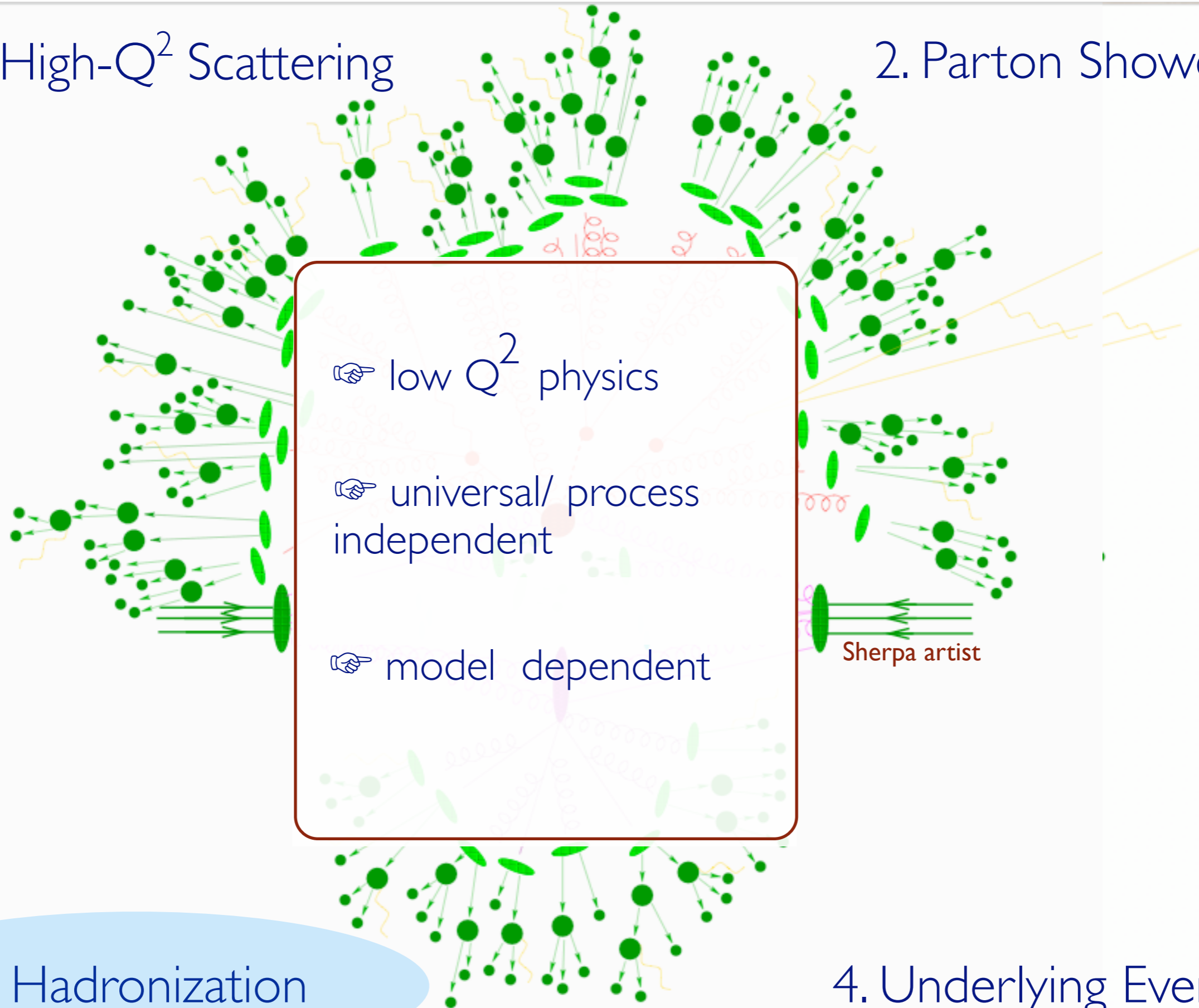
- ☞ QCD - "known physics"
- ☞ universal/ process independent
- ☞ first principles description

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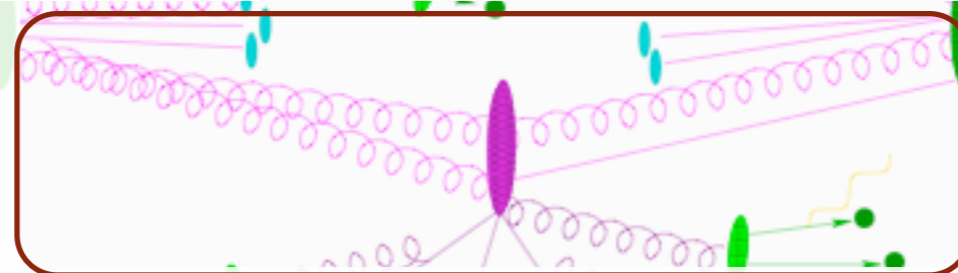
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- 👉 low Q^2 physics
- 👉 energy and process dependent
- 👉 model dependent



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Two ingredients necessary:

1. Parton Distribution Functions (from exp, but evolution from th).
2. Short distance coefficients as an expansion in α_S (from th).

$$\hat{\sigma}_{ab \rightarrow X} = \sigma_0 + \alpha_S \sigma_1 + \alpha_S^2 \sigma_2 + \dots$$

Leading order

Next-to-leading order

Next-to-next-to-leading order

PDFs

Global fits: recent progress in methodology and data sets:

- ❖ NNPDF3.0 1410.8849
- ❖ MMHTCT14 1412.3989
- ❖ CT14 1506.07443

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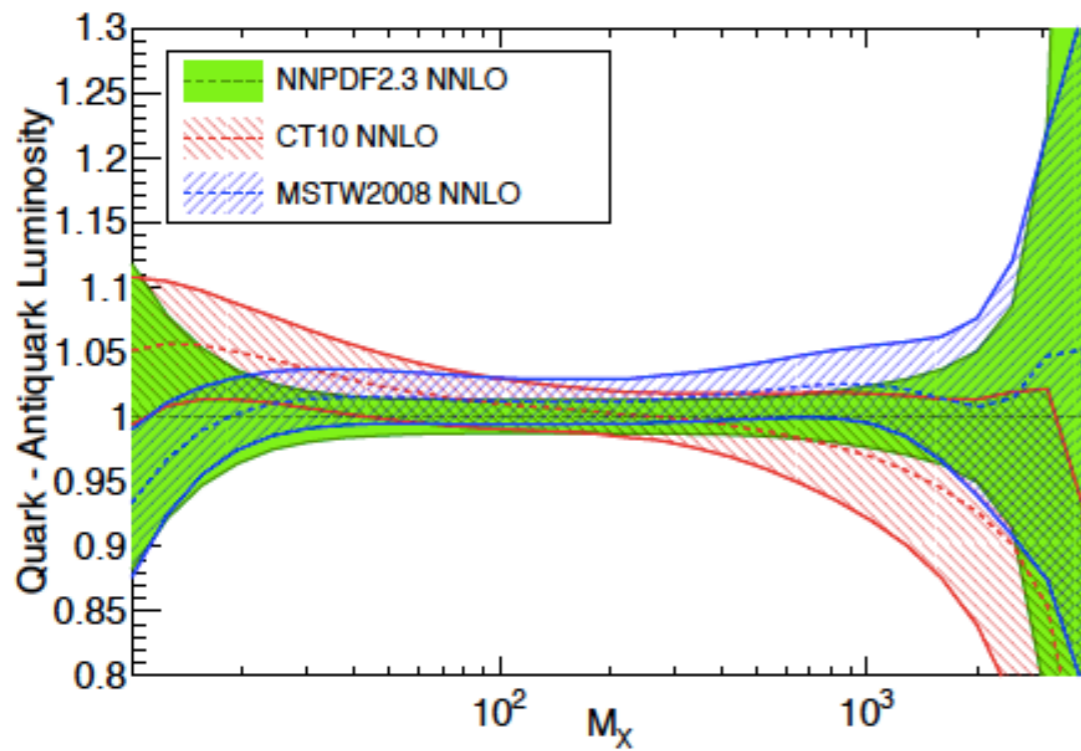
	NNPDF3.0	MMHT14	CT14
NO. OF FITTED PDFs	7	7	6
PARAMETRIZATION	NEURAL NETS	$x^a(1-x)^b \times$ CHEBYSCHEV	$x^a(1-x)^b \times$ BERNSTEIN
FREE PARAMETERS	259	37	30-35
UNCERTAINTIES	REPLICAS	HESSIAN	HESSIAN
TOLERANCE	NONE	DYNAMICAL	DYNAMICAL
CLOSURE TEST	✓	✗	✗
REWEIGHTING	REPLICAS	EIGENVECTORS	EIGENVECTORS

Other non-global sets: HeraPDF, ABM14, GJR

QUARK-QUARK

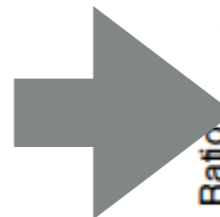
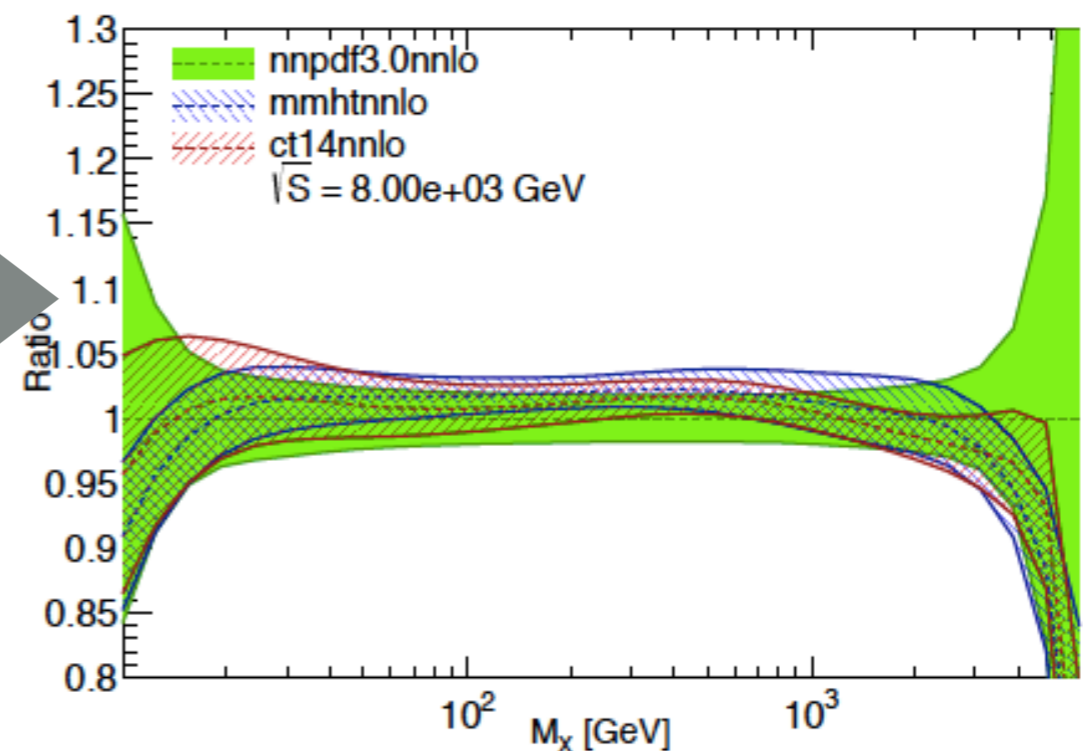
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LHC 8 TeV - Ratio to NNPDF2.3 NNLO - $\alpha_s = 0.118$



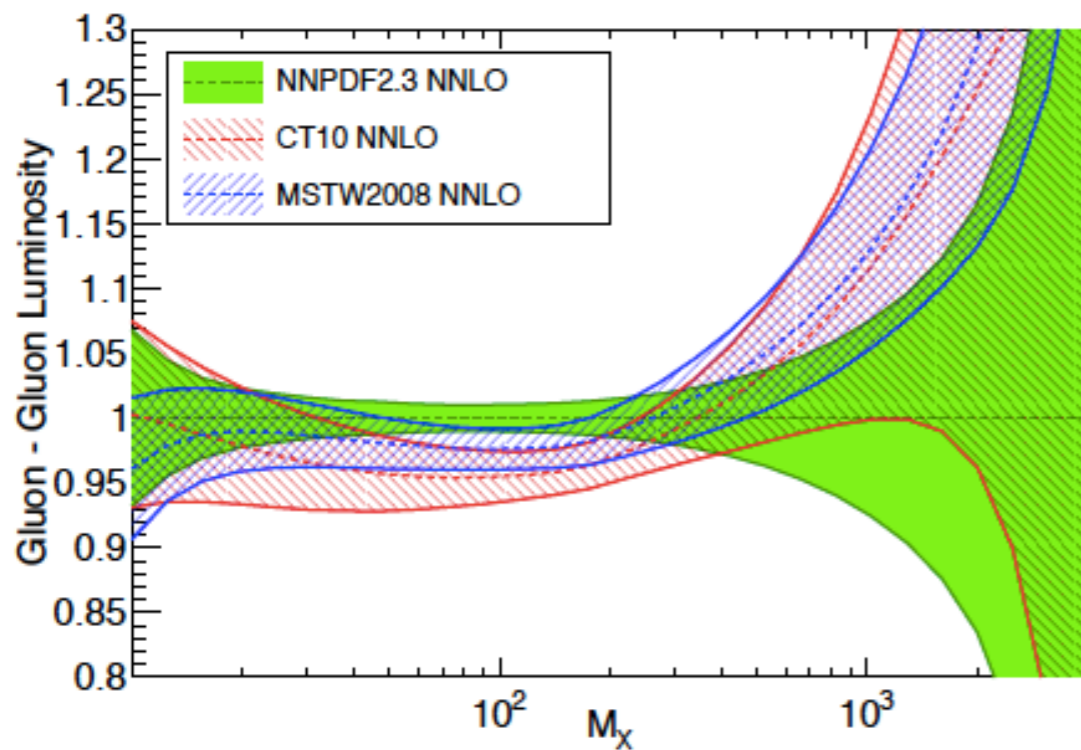
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Quark-Quark, luminosity

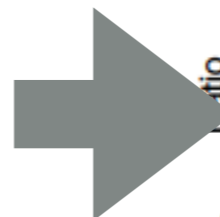
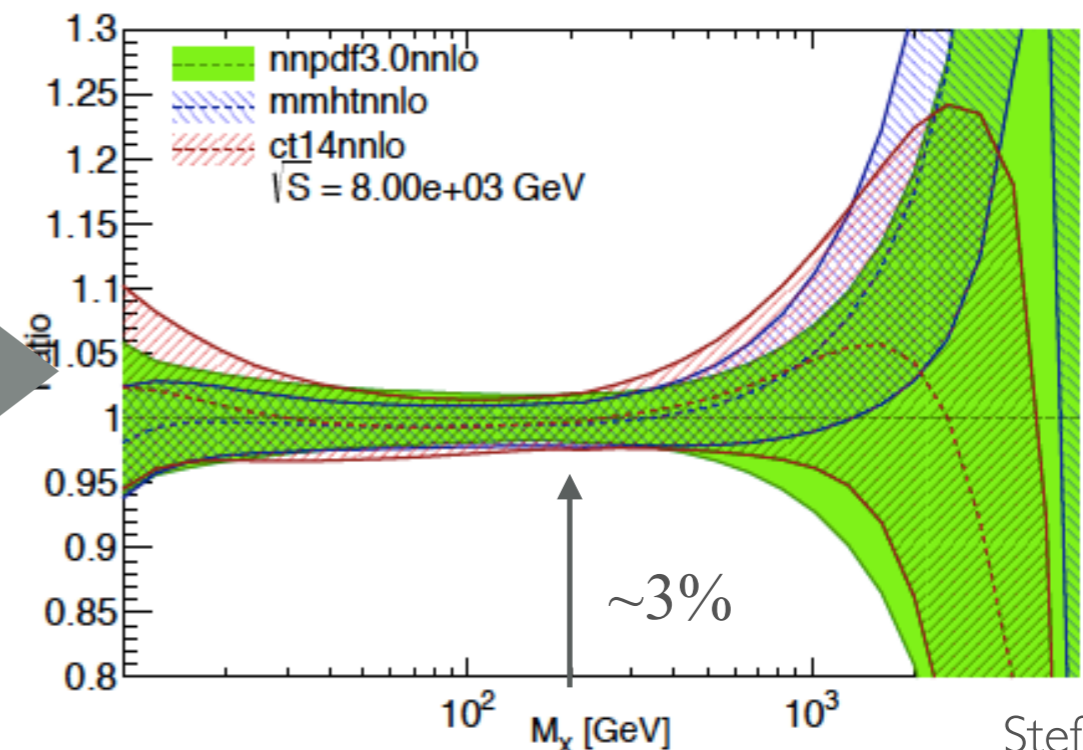


GLUON-GLUON

LHC 8 TeV - Ratio to NNPDF2.3 NNLO - $\alpha_s = 0.118$



Gluon-Gluon, luminosity



Stefano Forte

Perturbative expansion

$\hat{\sigma}_{ab \rightarrow X}(\hat{S}, \mu_F, \mu_R)$ Parton-level cross section

- ❖ The parton-level cross section can be computed as a series in perturbation theory, using the coupling constant as an expansion parameter

$$\hat{\sigma} = \sigma^{\text{Born}} \left(1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \sigma^{(1)} + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \right)^2 \sigma^{(2)} + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \right)^3 \sigma^{(3)} + \dots \right)$$

LO
predictions

NLO
corrections

NNLO
corrections

NNNLO
corrections

- ❖ Including higher corrections improves predictions and reduces theoretical uncertainties: improvement in accuracy and precision.

Perturbative expansion

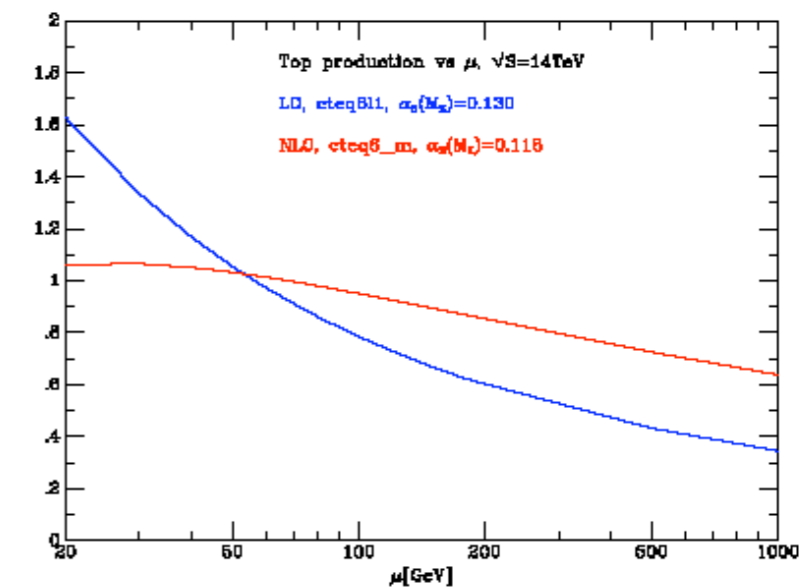
- Leading order (LO) calculations typically give only the order of magnitude of cross sections and distributions
 - the scale of α_s is not defined
 - jets partons: jet structure starts to appear only beyond LO
 - Born topology might not be leading at the LHC

- To obtain reliable predictions at least NLO is needed

- NNLO allows to quantify uncertainties

Furthermore:

- Resummation of the large logarithmic terms at phase space boundaries
- NLO ElectroWeak corrections ($\alpha_s^2 = \alpha_W$)
- Fully exclusive predictions available in terms of event simulation that can be used in experimental analysis

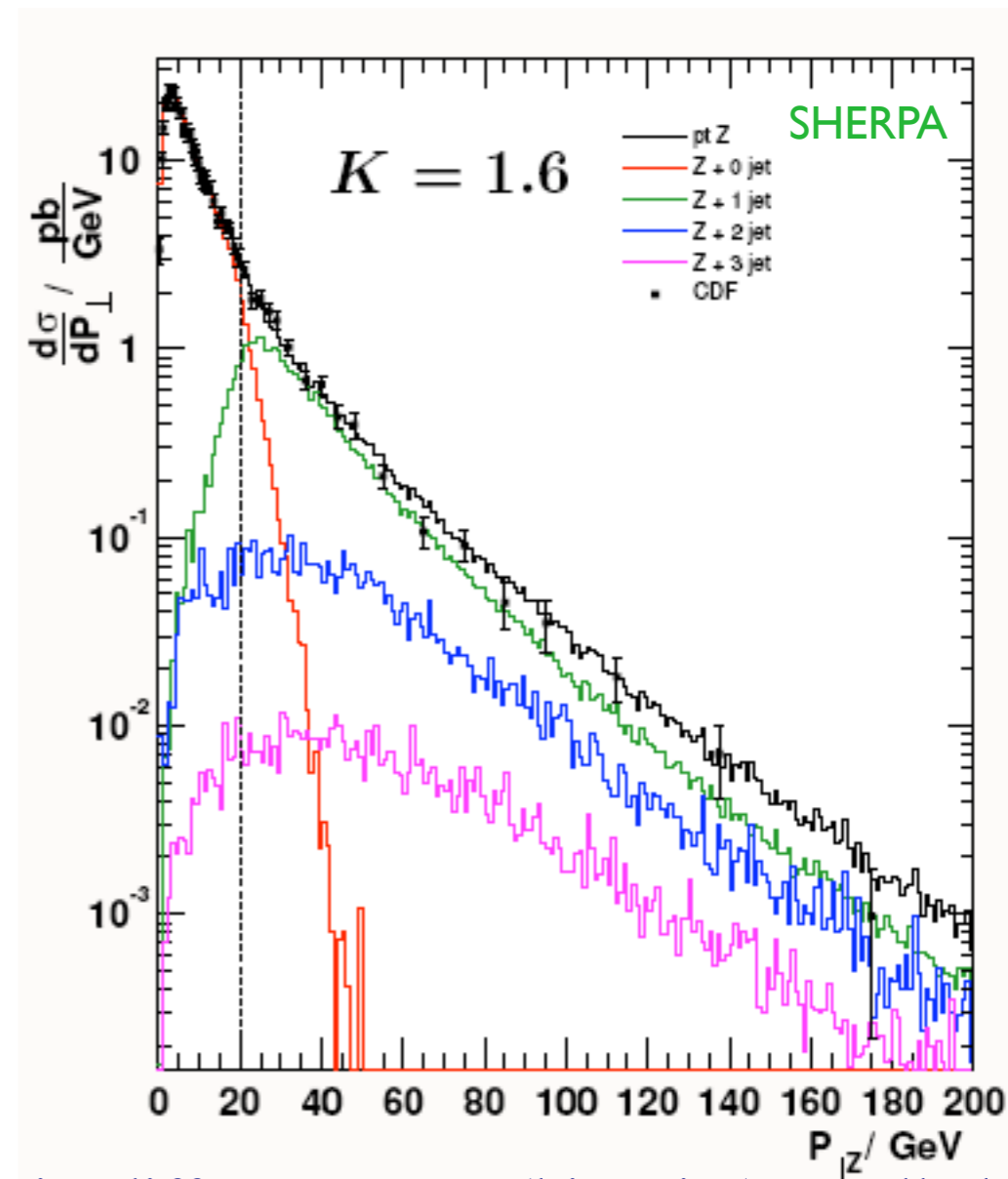
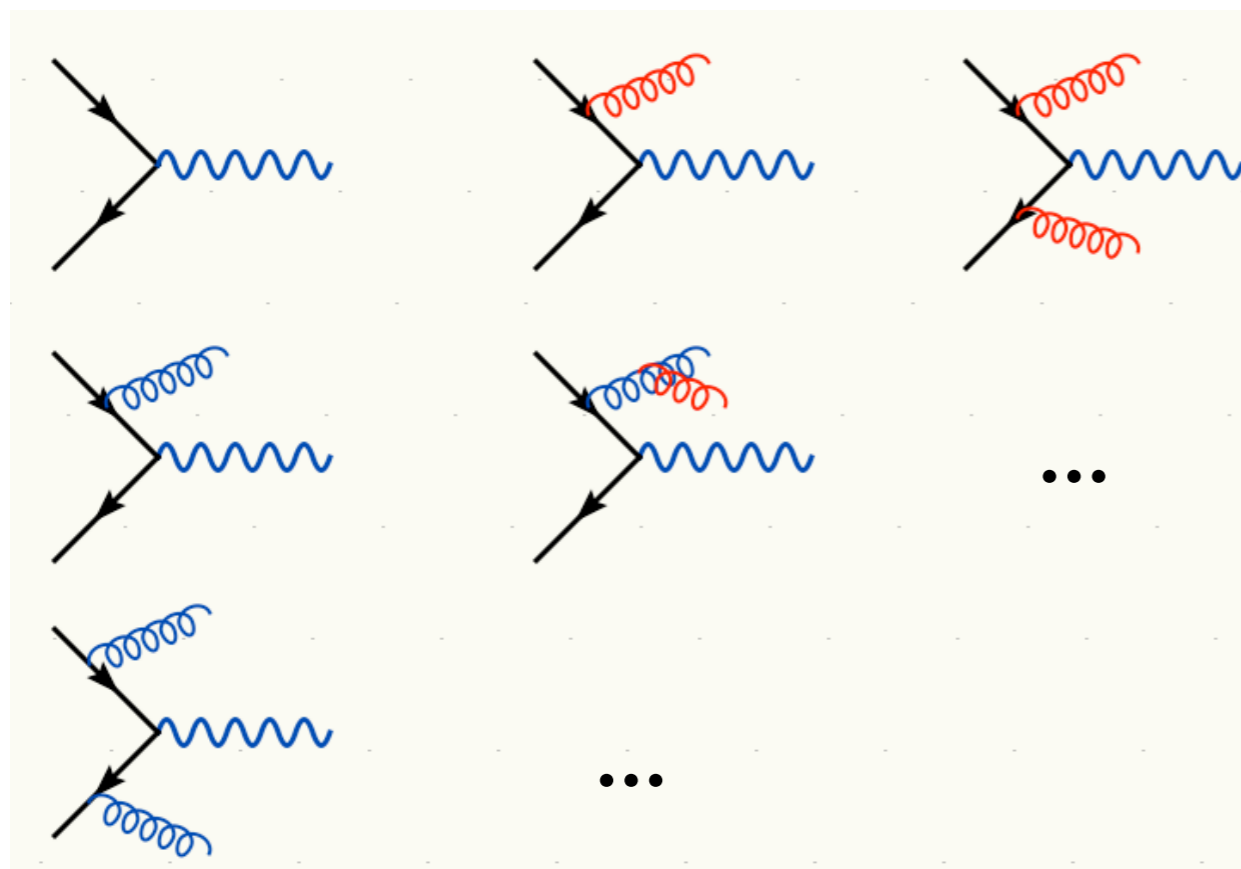


Merging fixed order with PS: LO

[Mangano]
[Catani, Krauss, Kuhn, Webber]

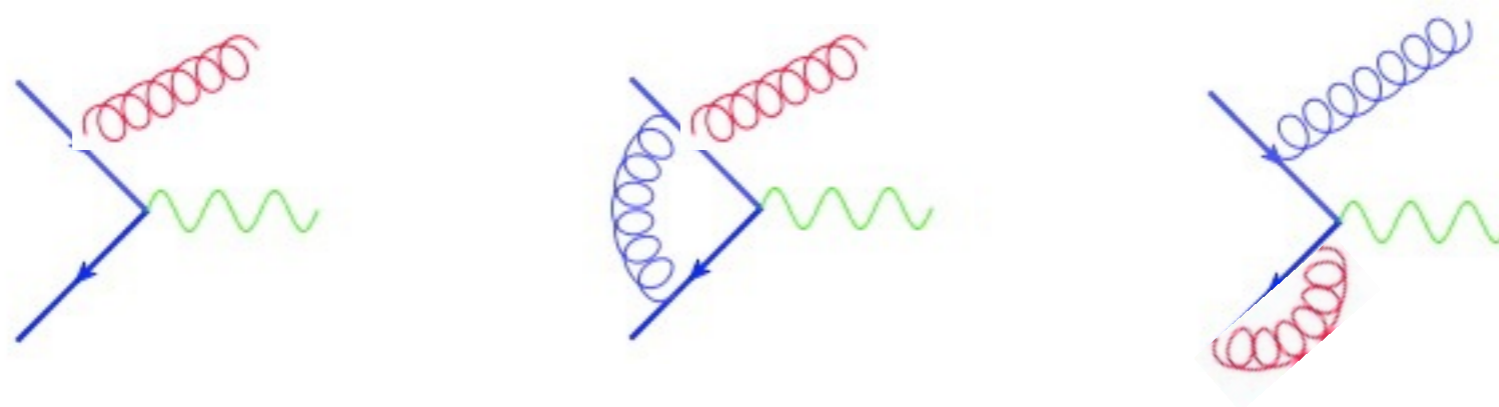
PS →

ME



Double counting of configurations that can be obtained in different ways (histories). All the matching algorithms (CKKW, MLM,...) apply criteria to select only one possibility based on the hardness of the partons. As the result events are exclusive and can be added together into an inclusive sample. Distributions are accurate but overall normalization still “arbitrary”.

Merging fixed order with PS: NLO



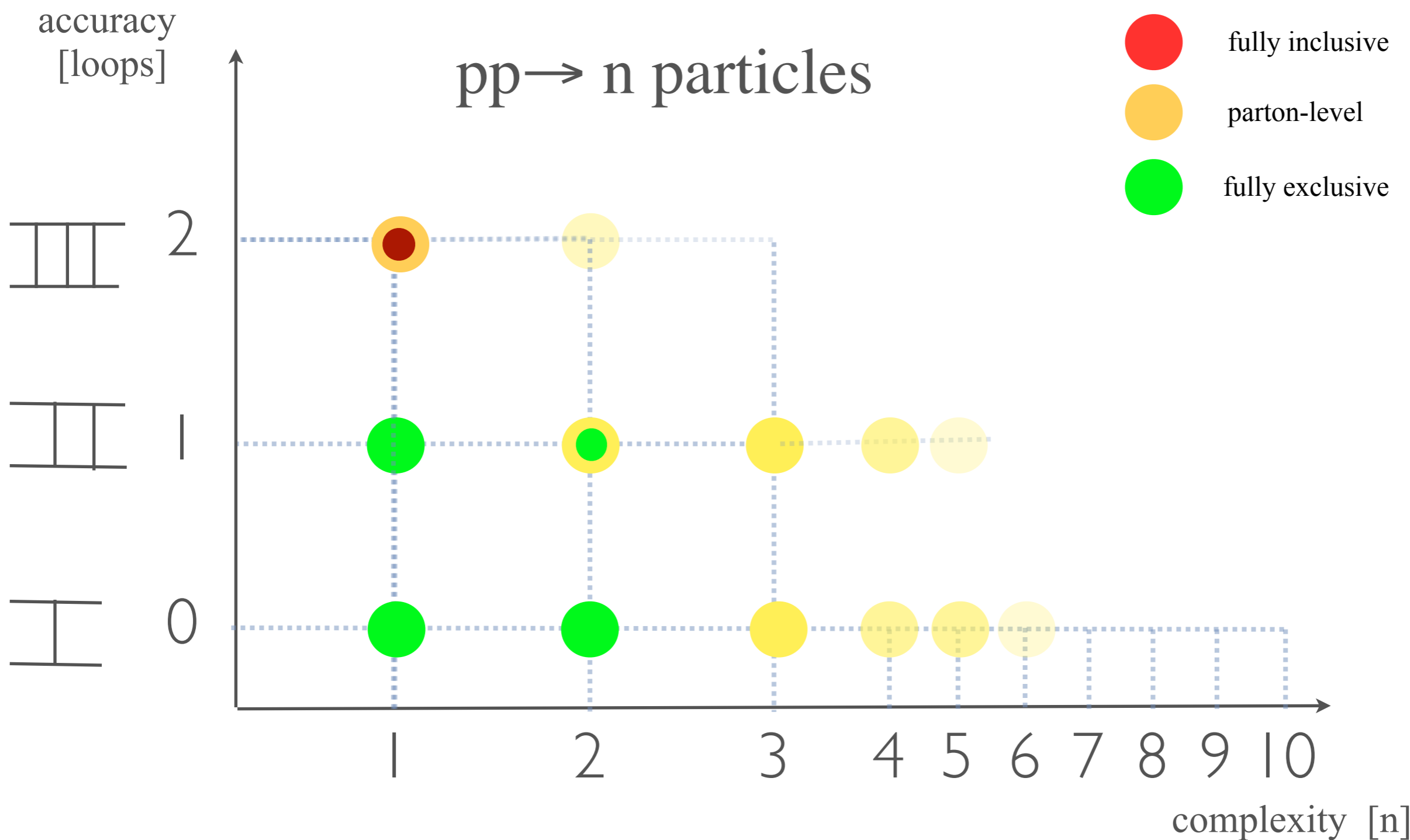
$$d\sigma_{\text{NAIVE}}^{\text{NLOwPS}} = [d\Phi_B(B(\Phi_B) + V + S_{ct}^{\text{int}})] I_{\text{MC}}^n + [d\Phi_B d\Phi_{R|B}(R - S_{ct})] I_{\text{MC}}^{n+1}$$

This simple approach does not work:

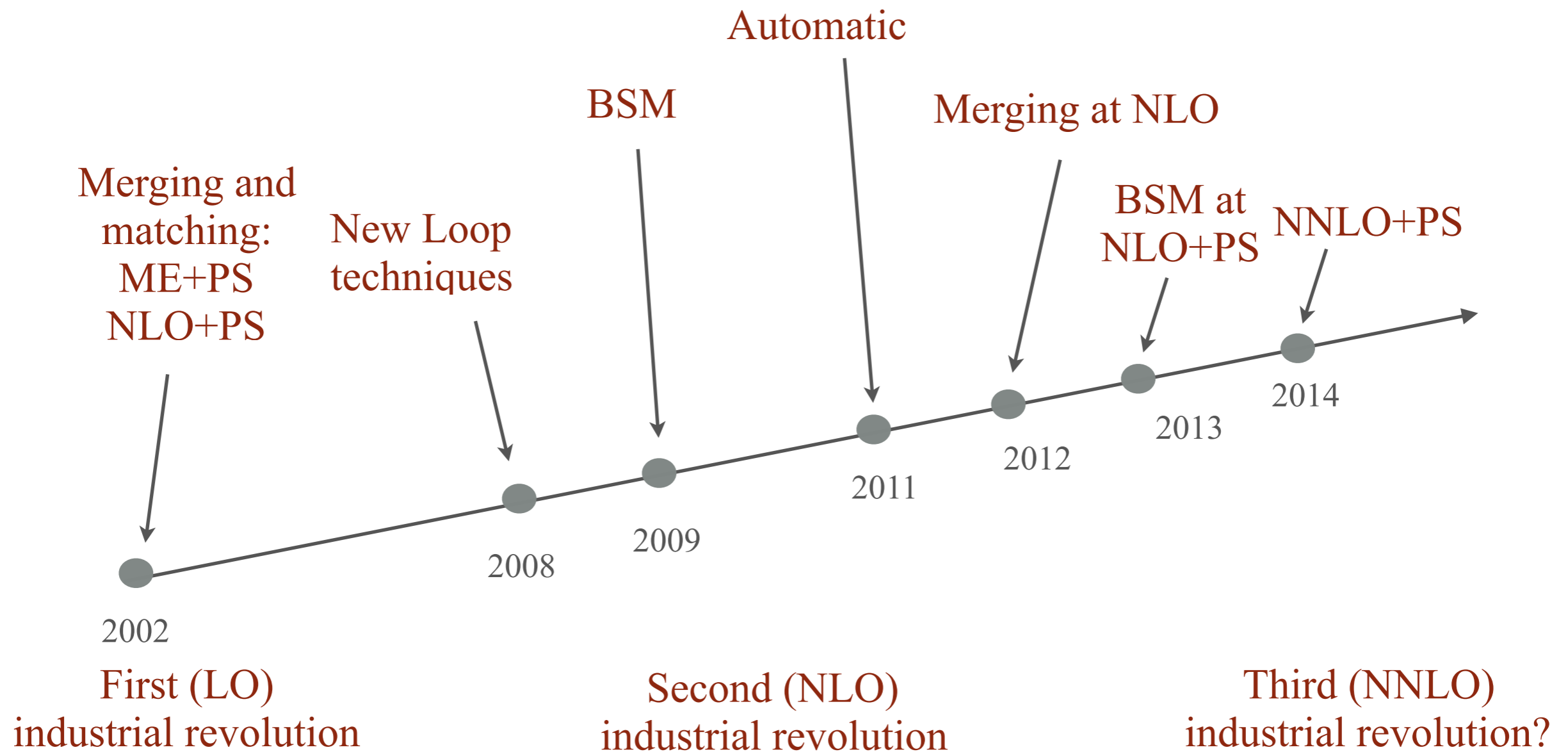
- **Instability:** weights associated to I_{MC}^n and I_{MC}^{n+1} are divergent pointwise (infinite weights).
- **Double counting:** $d\sigma^{\text{naive}}_{\text{NLOwPS}}$ expanded at NLO does not coincide with NLO rate. Some configurations are dealt with by both the NLO and the PSMC.

Two solutions available The **MC@NLO** and **POWHEG** methods allow to combine NLO calculations with existing shower/hadronisation programs such as **PYTHIA8**, **HW7**, **SHERPA**....

Predictions in QCD: before the LHC

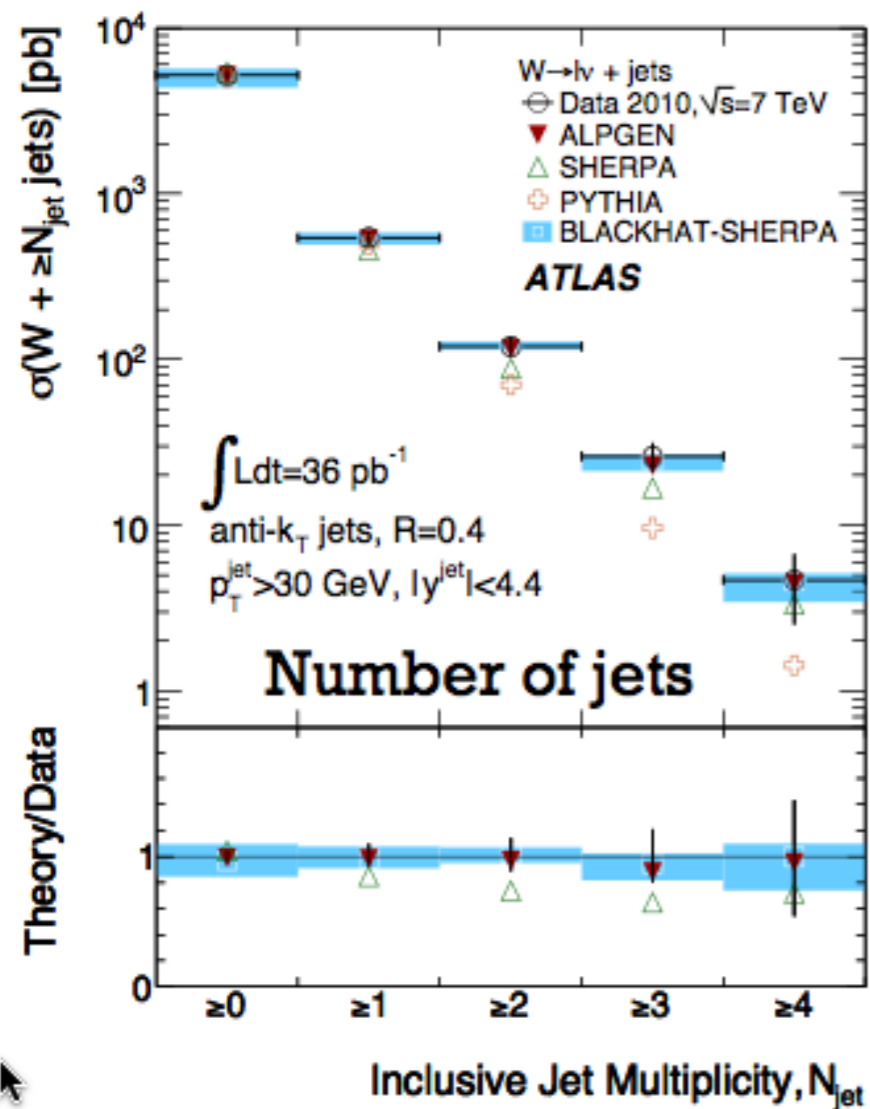


Predictive MC (simplified) progress



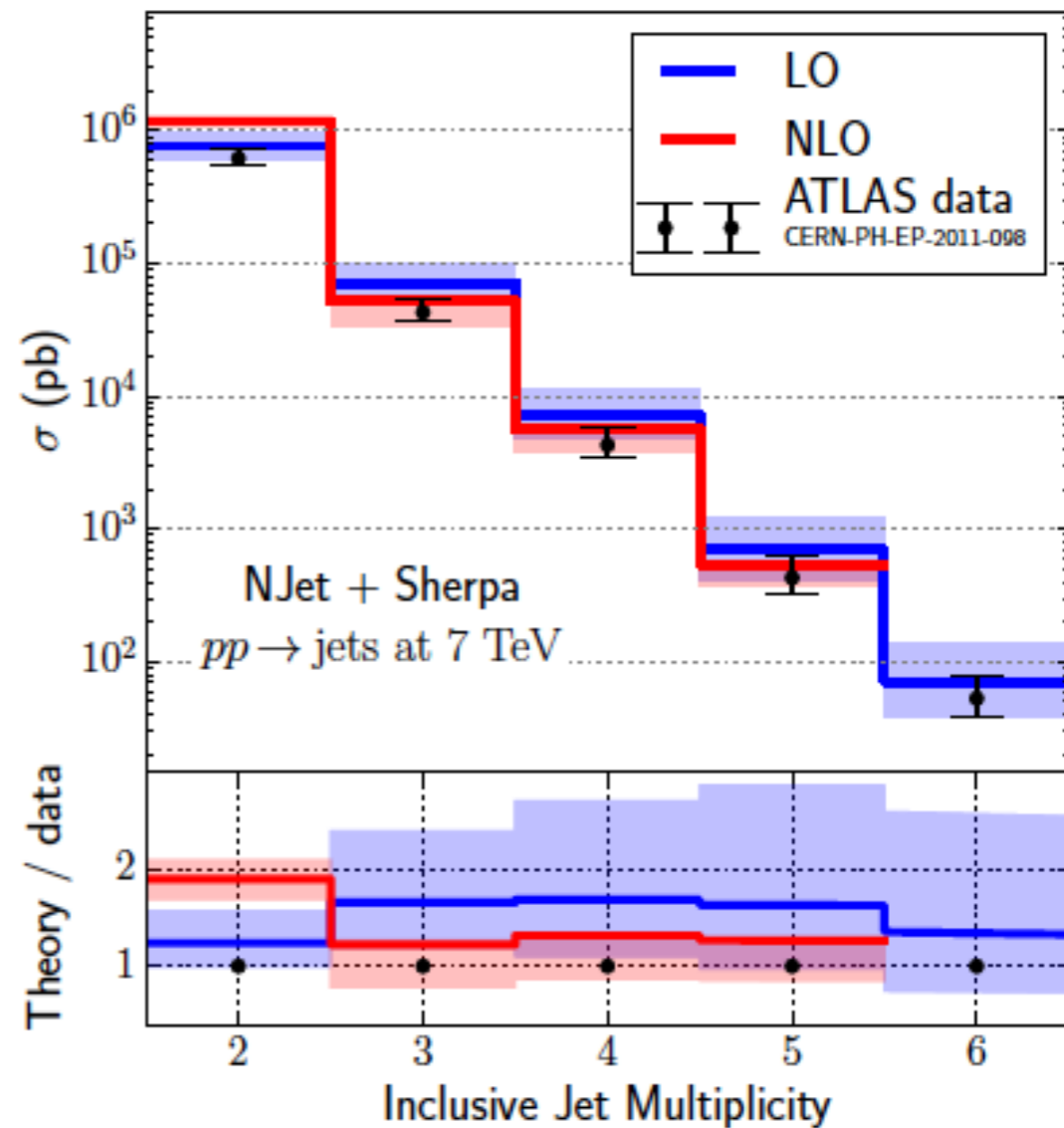
The NLO Guinness World Records

$p p \rightarrow W + 5 \text{ jets}$



[Bern et al., 1304.1253]

$p p \rightarrow 5 \text{ jets}$



[Badger et al. 1309.6585]

NLO+PS Automation

For example, the level of automation is as follows:

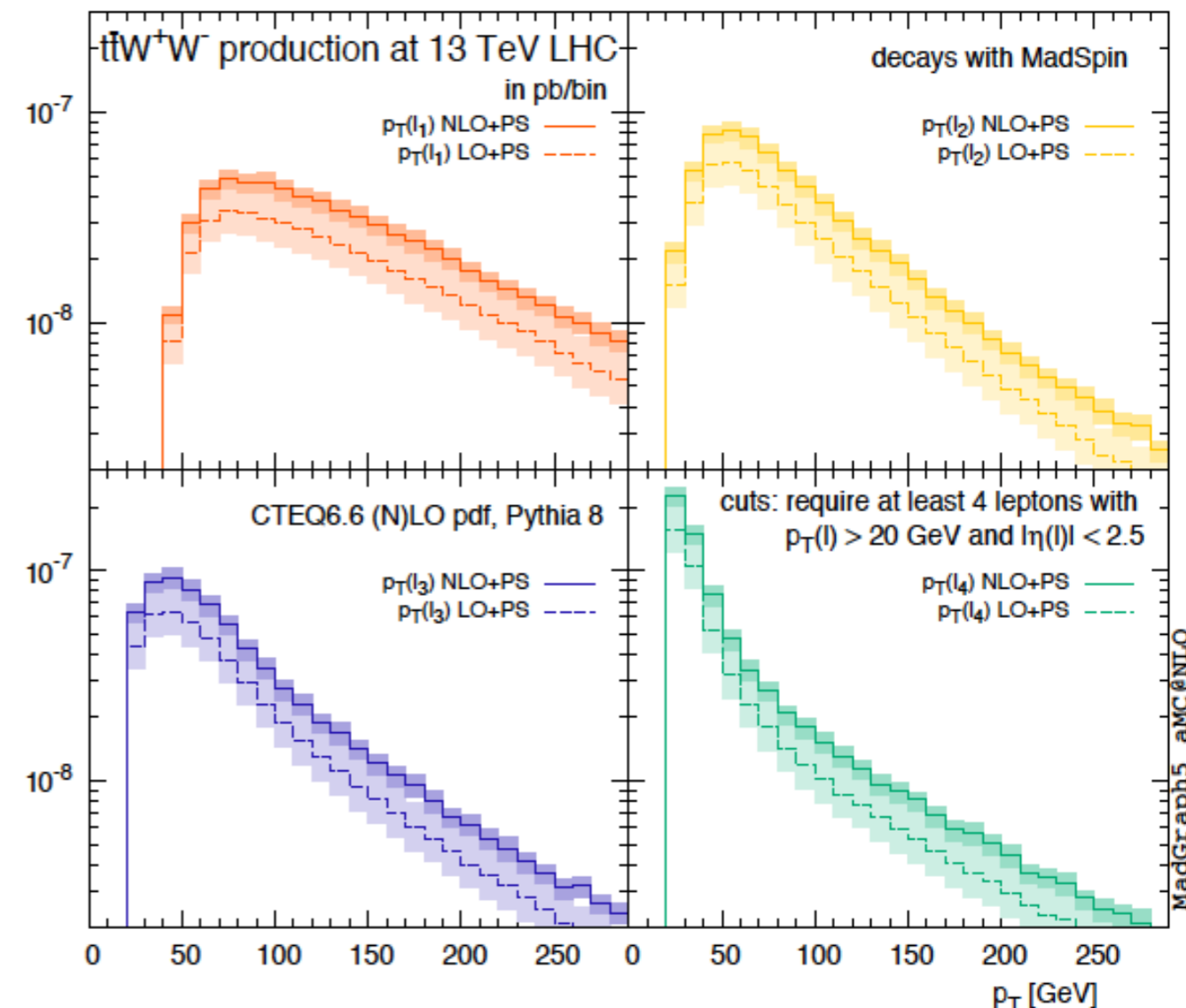
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./bin/mg5_aMC
> generate p p > t t~ W+ W- [QCD]
> output ttww
> launch

```

Uncertainties from scale variation and pdfs are automatically computed (at no extra cost) and associated to each of the unweighted events (=any distribution will have the corresponding uncertainty band). Short-distance events ready to be “dressed” by PS and hadronisation.

[Alwall, et al. 1505.0301]



Virtually unlimited set of LHC processes available at NLO

NLO+PS Automation

The same level of automation is being achieved for BSM:

[Hua-Sheng Shao et al. , 1412.5589, 1510.00391]

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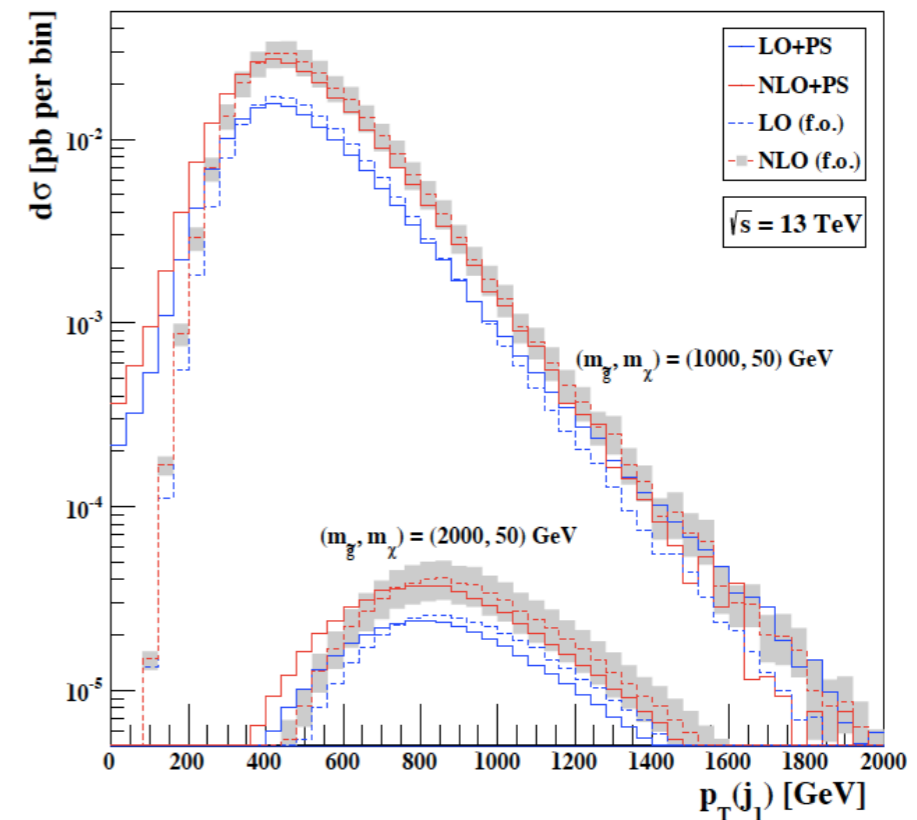
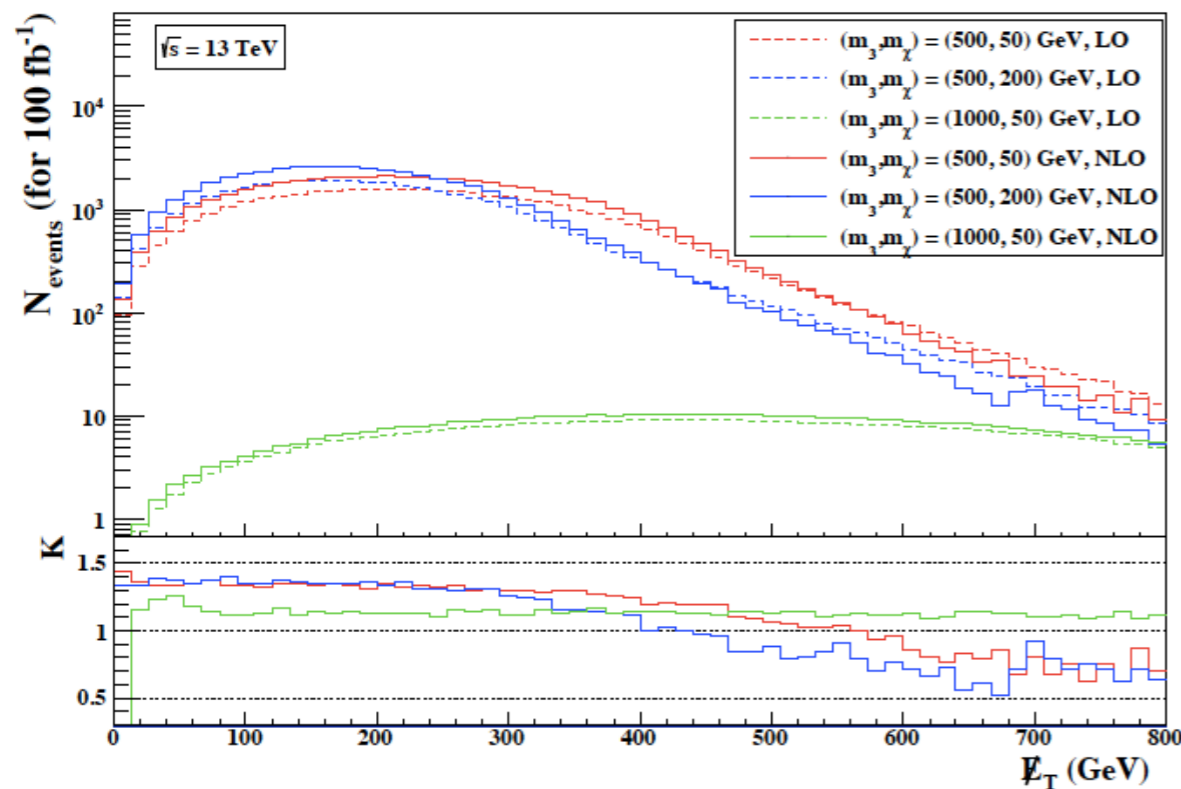
./bin/mg5_aMC
> import model SUSYQCD
> generate p p > t1 t1~ [QCD]
> output StopPair
> launch

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./bin/mg5_aMC
> import model SUSYQCD
> generate p p > g1 g1 [QCD]
> output GluinoPair
> launch

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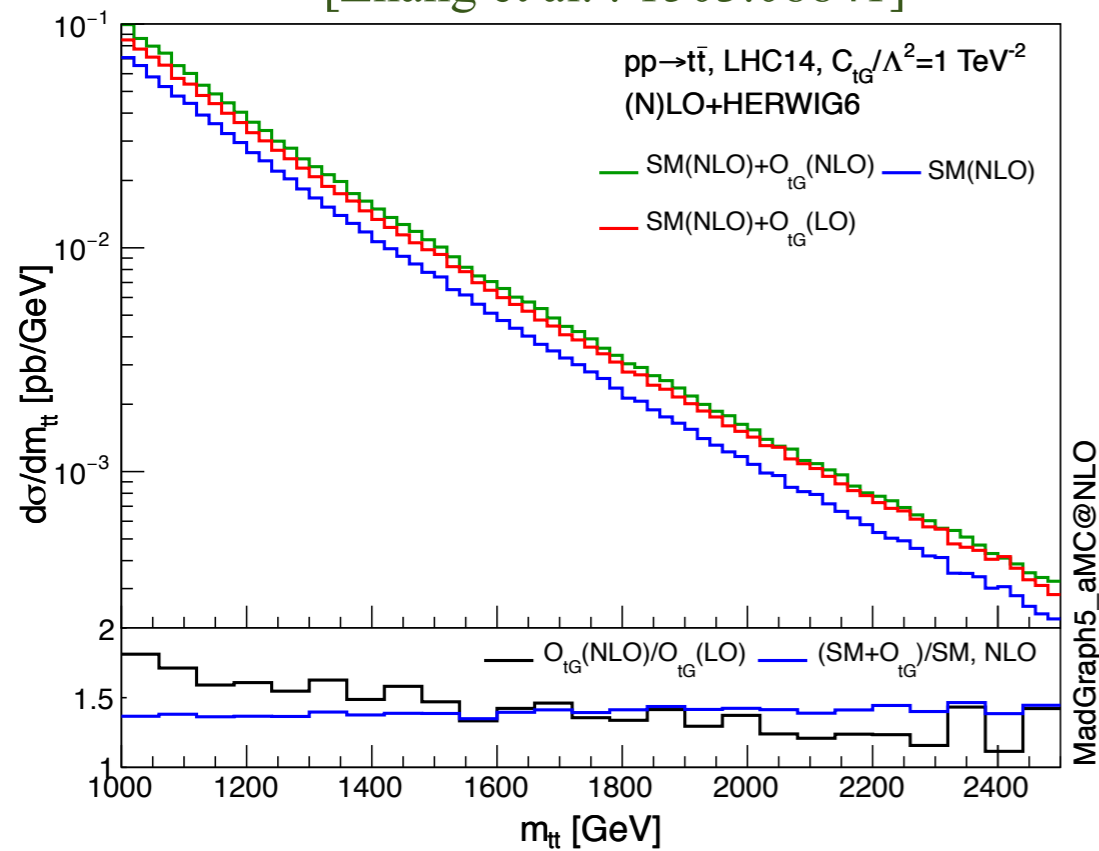
NLO+PS Automation

The same level of automation is being achieved for EFT's:

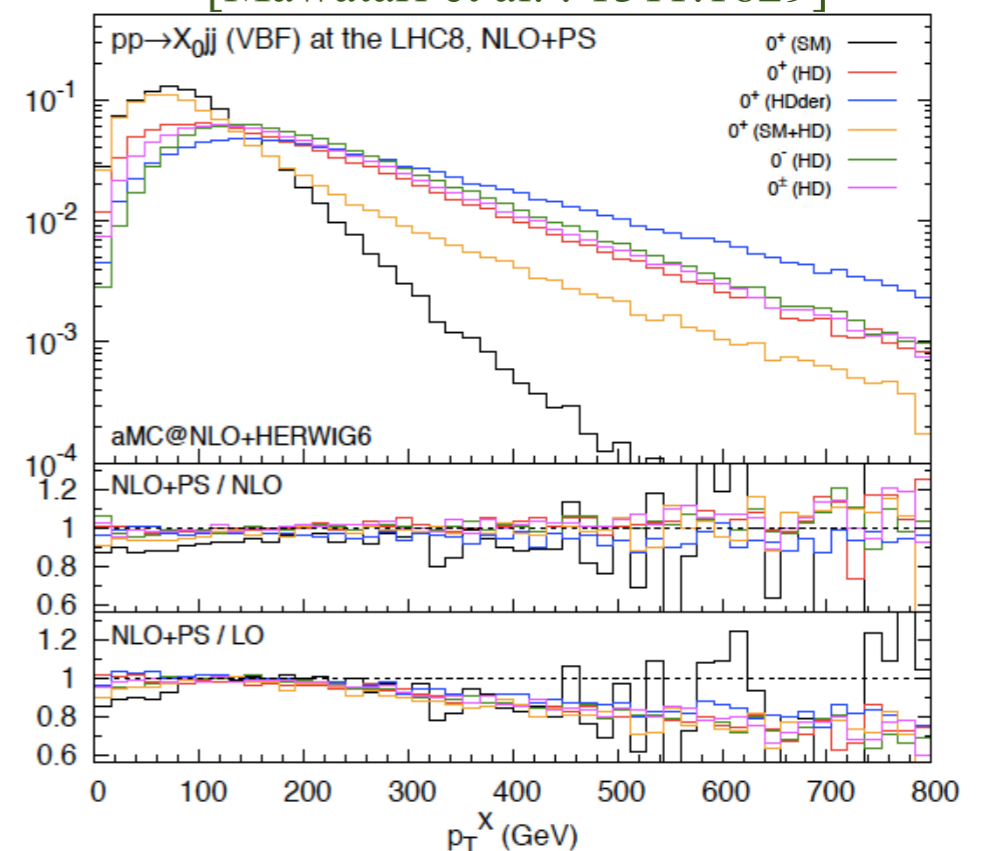
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./bin/mg5_aMC
> import model TopEFT
> generate p p > t t~ , NP=1 [QCD]
> output Chromott
> launch
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./bin/mg5_aMC
> import model HC
> generate p p > X0 j j [QCD]
> output VBFdim6
> launch
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[Zhang et al. : 1503.08841]



[Mawatari et al. : 1311.1829]

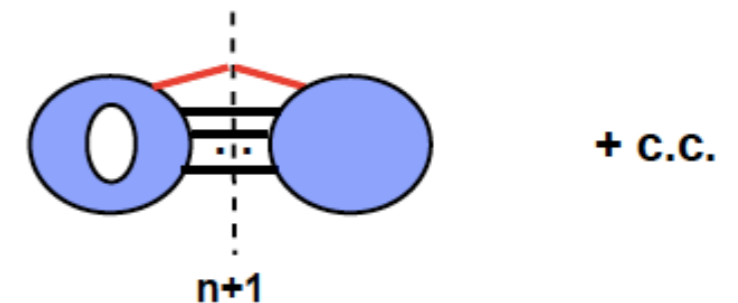


Ingredients of NNLO calculations

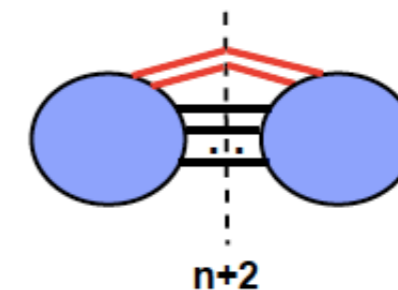
Double virtual contribution
with n resolved partons



Real-virtual contribution with 1 unresolved parton



Double-real contribution with 2 unresolved partons



Each of the three contributions is divergent, yet the sum is finite (KLN theorem).
How to deal with IR singularities ?

The NNLO era

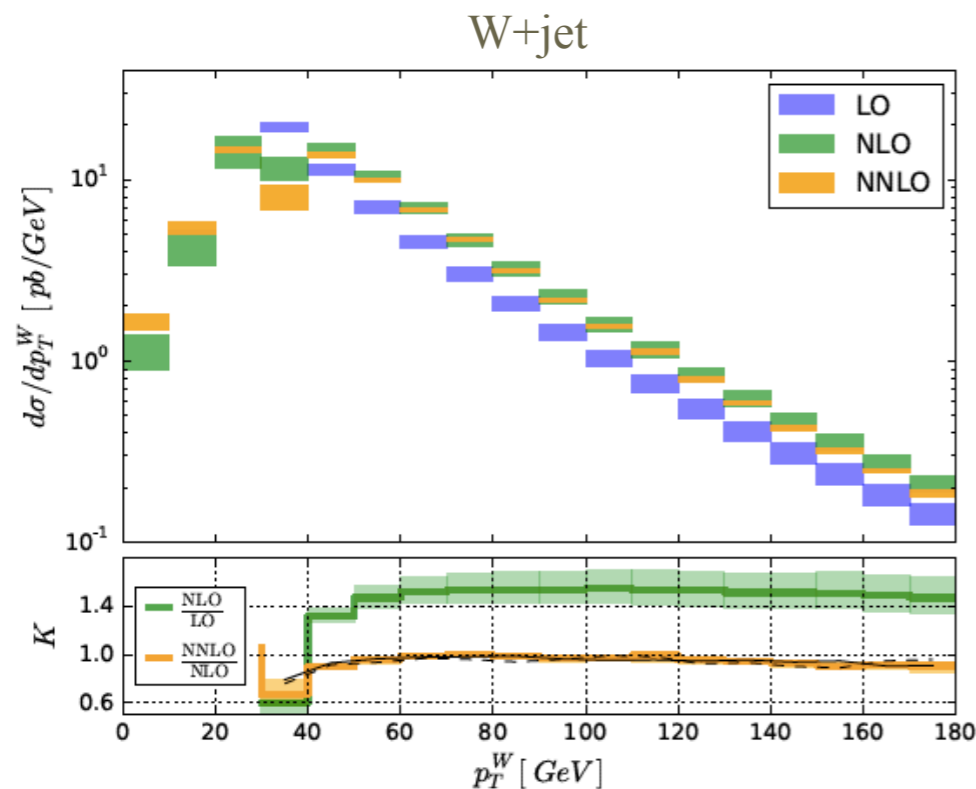
NNLO calculations important at least for the following cases:

1) Benchmark processes measured with high precision	$e^+e^- \rightarrow 3 \text{ jets}$	✓
	$pp \rightarrow W, Z$	✓
	$pp \rightarrow 2 \text{ jets}$	partial
	$pp \rightarrow t \bar{t}$	✓
2) Processes with large NLO corrections (eg, new channels)	$pp \rightarrow H \text{ (EFT)}$	✓
	$pp \rightarrow H + \text{jet (EFT)}$	✓
	$pp \rightarrow HH \text{ (EFT)}$	✓
3) Important/Irreducible backgrounds for Higgs or NP searches	$pp \rightarrow t \bar{t}$	✓
	$pp \rightarrow VV' (W, \gamma, Z)$	✓
	$pp \rightarrow W/Z j$	✓

In addition it is essential to provide codes that are able to deal with final state selections (at the parton level) so that fiducial cross sections and distributions can be directly compared with data.

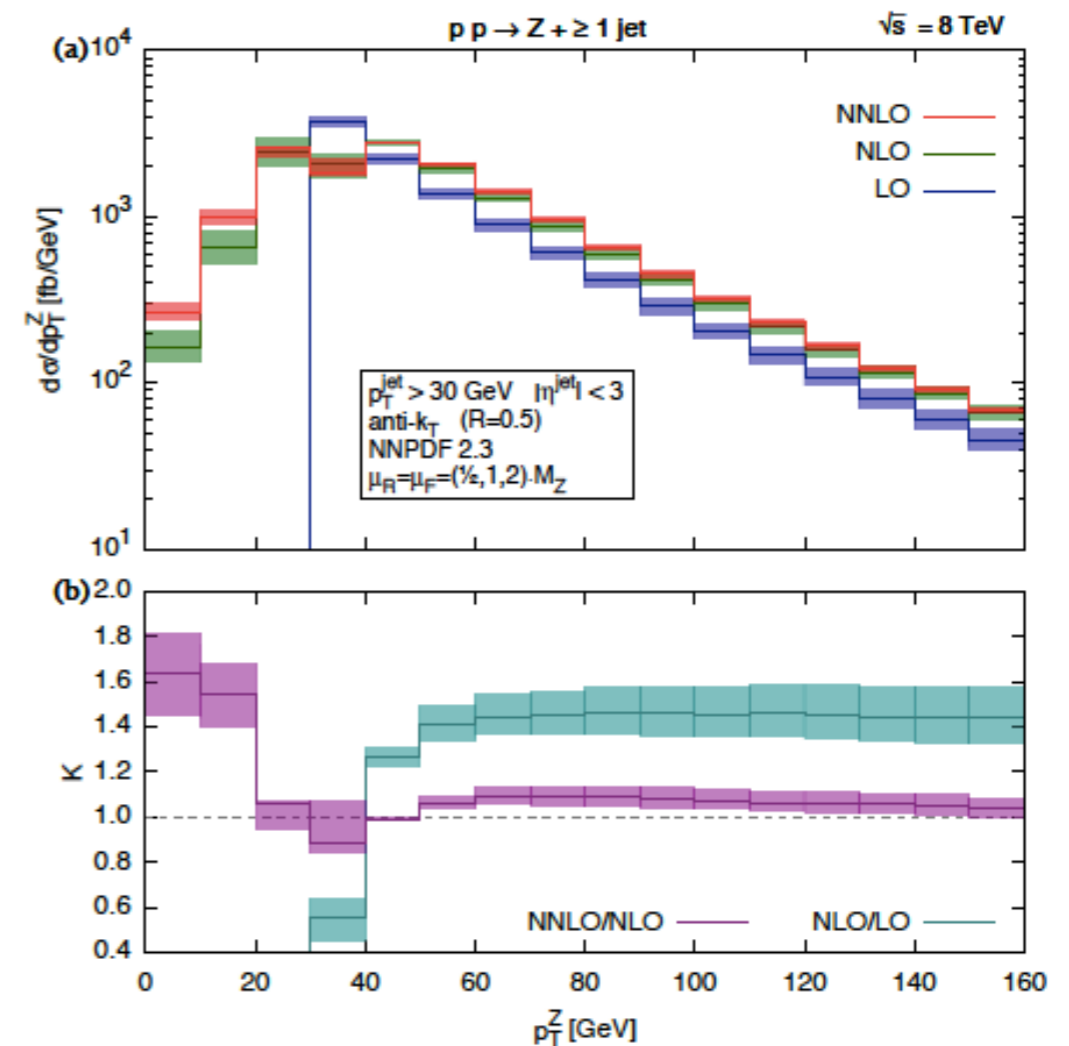
V+jet at NNLO

[R.Boughezal, C.Focke, X.Liu, F.Petriello (2015)]



Small NNLO effect and significant reduction of scale uncertainties. First application of new “N-jettiness” method: relatively flat NNLO correction.

[A and T. Gehrmann, N. Glover, T.Morgan, A.Huss (2015)]



Similar effects for Z+jet: antenna subtraction (large N_c approximation for the dominant channels)

H+jet at NNLO (in the EFT)

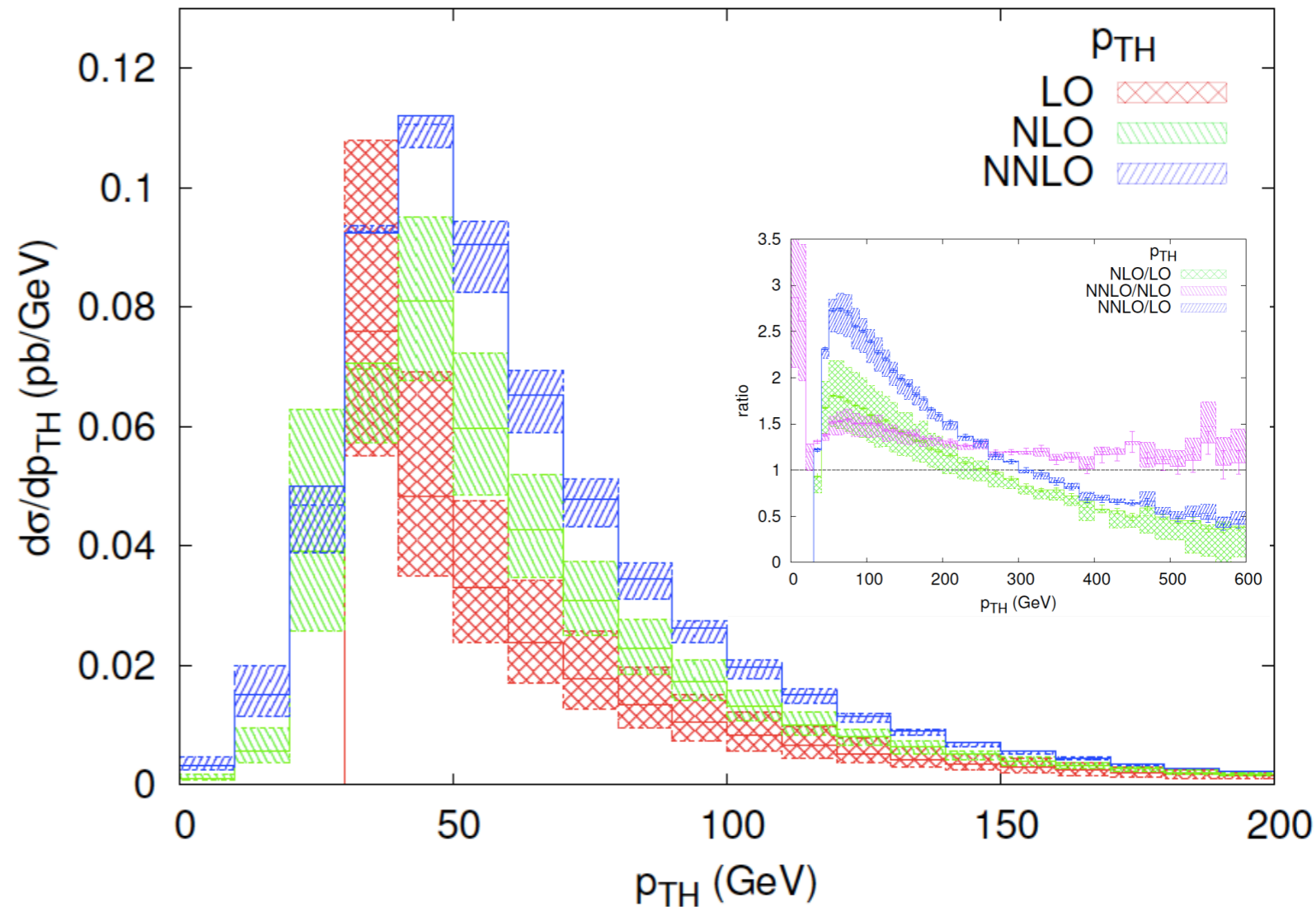
NNLO calculation carried out with three independent methods (antenna subtraction, subtraction+sector, N-jettiness)

X. Chen, T. Gehrmann, N. Glover, M. Jaquier (2014)

R. Boughezal, F. Caola, K. Melnikov, F. Petriello, M. Schulze (2015)

R. Boughezal, C. Focke, W. Giele, X. Liu, F. Petriello (2015)

Quantitative effect smaller than previously anticipated from gg only: at the 20% level ($\mu = m_H$)



VBF at NNLO

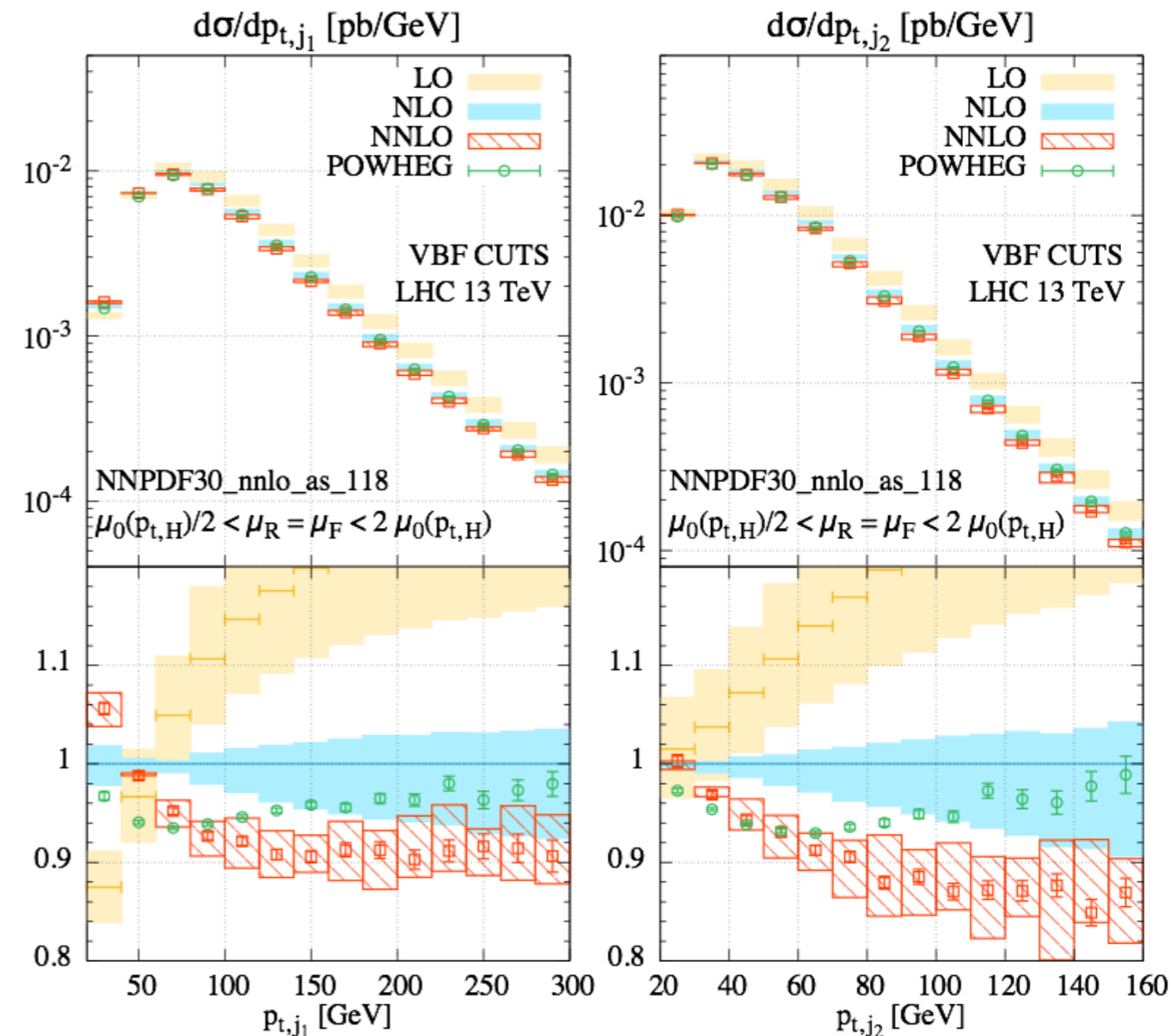
Vector boson fusion (VBF) is an important production channel for the Higgs boson: distinctive signature with little hadronic activity in the central rapidity region.

Fully inclusive NNLO corrections known since quite some time [P.Bolzoni, F.M,S.Moch,M.Zaro (2010)] in the structure function approach: $O(1\%)$ effect.

Fully exclusive NNLO computation recently completed (still neglecting color exchanges between quark lines) [M.Cacciari, F.Dreyer, A.Karlberg, G.Salam,G.Zanderighi (2015)]

NNLO corrections make p_T spectra softer larger impact when VBF cuts are applied

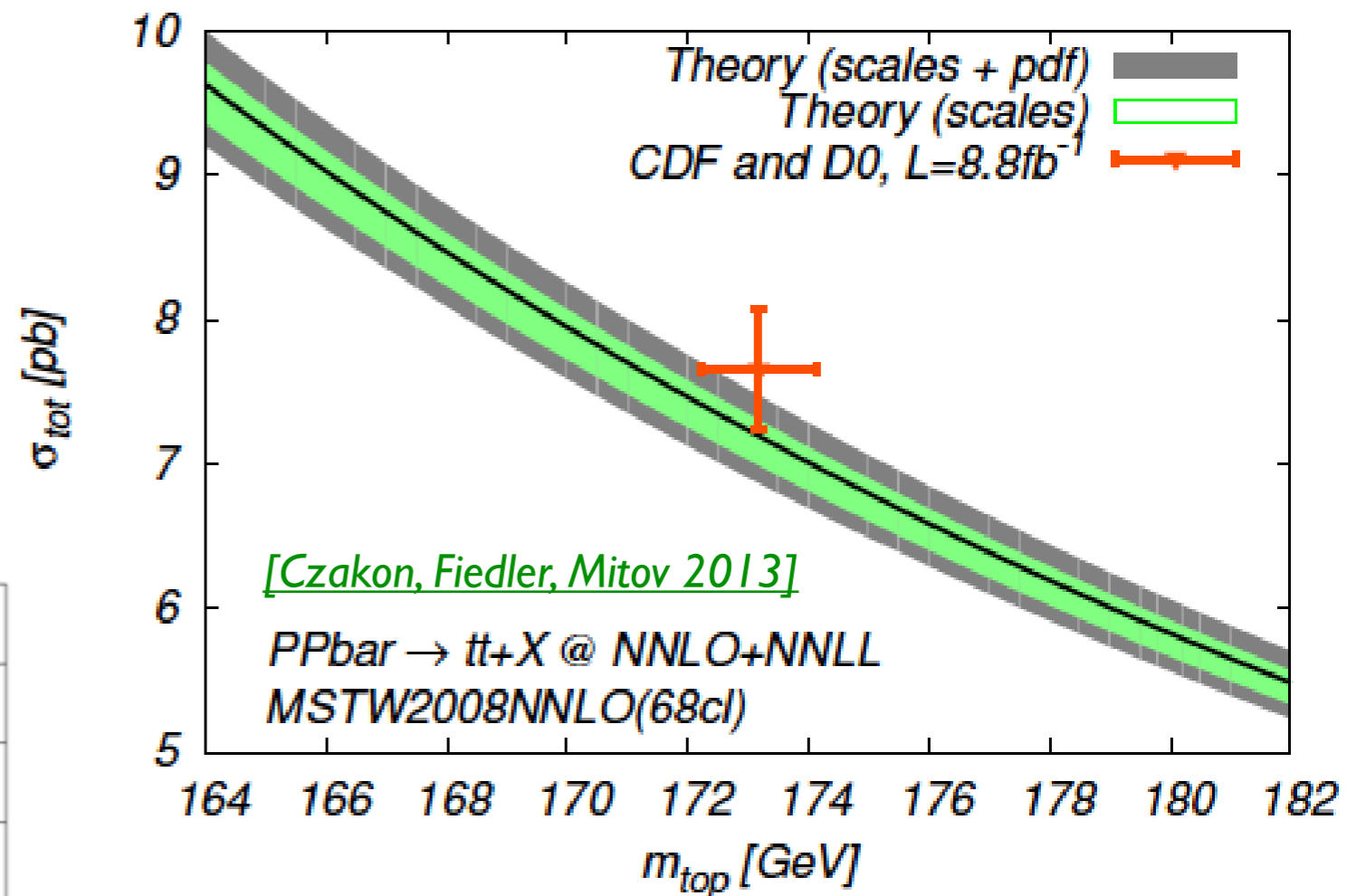
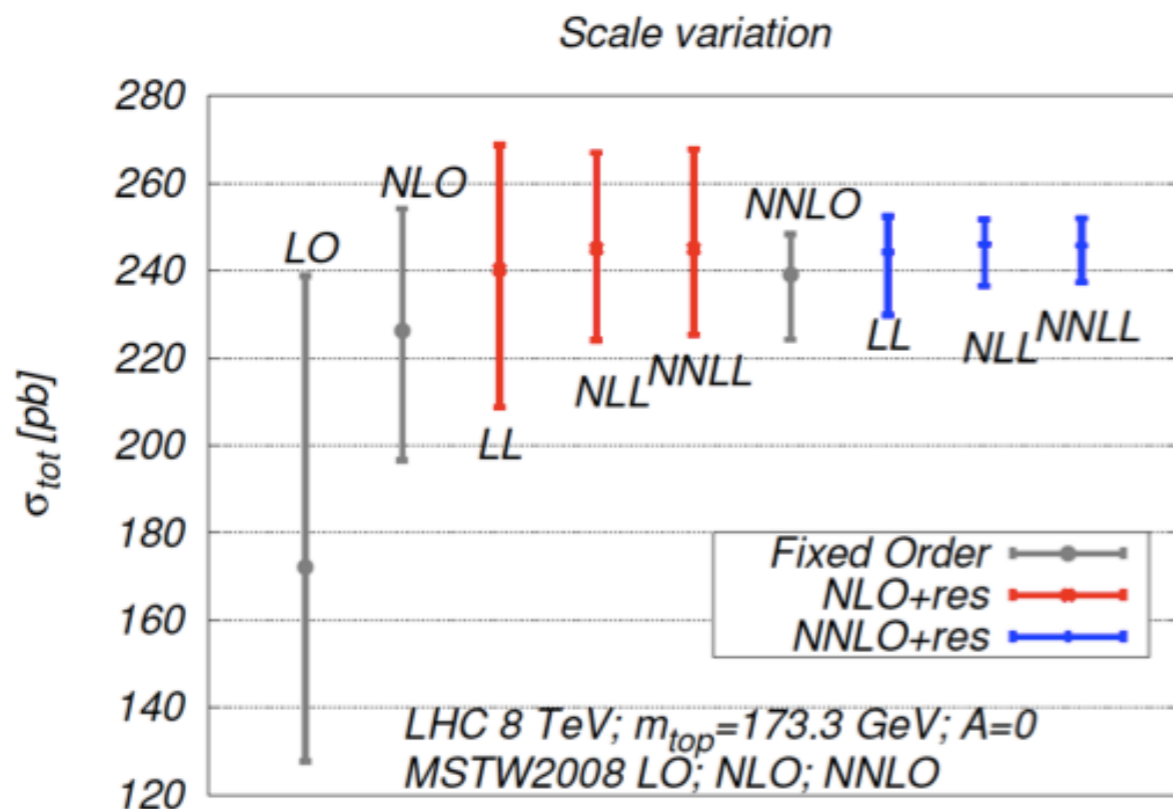
	$\sigma^{(\text{no cuts})}$ [pb]	$\sigma^{(\text{VBF cuts})}$ [pb]
LO	$4.032^{+0.057}_{-0.069}$	$0.957^{+0.066}_{-0.059}$
NLO	$3.929^{+0.024}_{-0.023}$	$0.876^{+0.008}_{-0.018}$
NNLO	$3.888^{+0.016}_{-0.012}$	$0.826^{+0.013}_{-0.014}$



$t\bar{t}$ cross section at NNLO

Monumental MILESTONE in perturbative QCD:

- [[Bärnreuther, Czakon, Mitov 2012](#)]
- [[Czakon, Mitov 2012](#)]
- [[Czakon, Mitov 2012](#)]
- [[Czakon, Fiedler, Mitov 2013](#)]



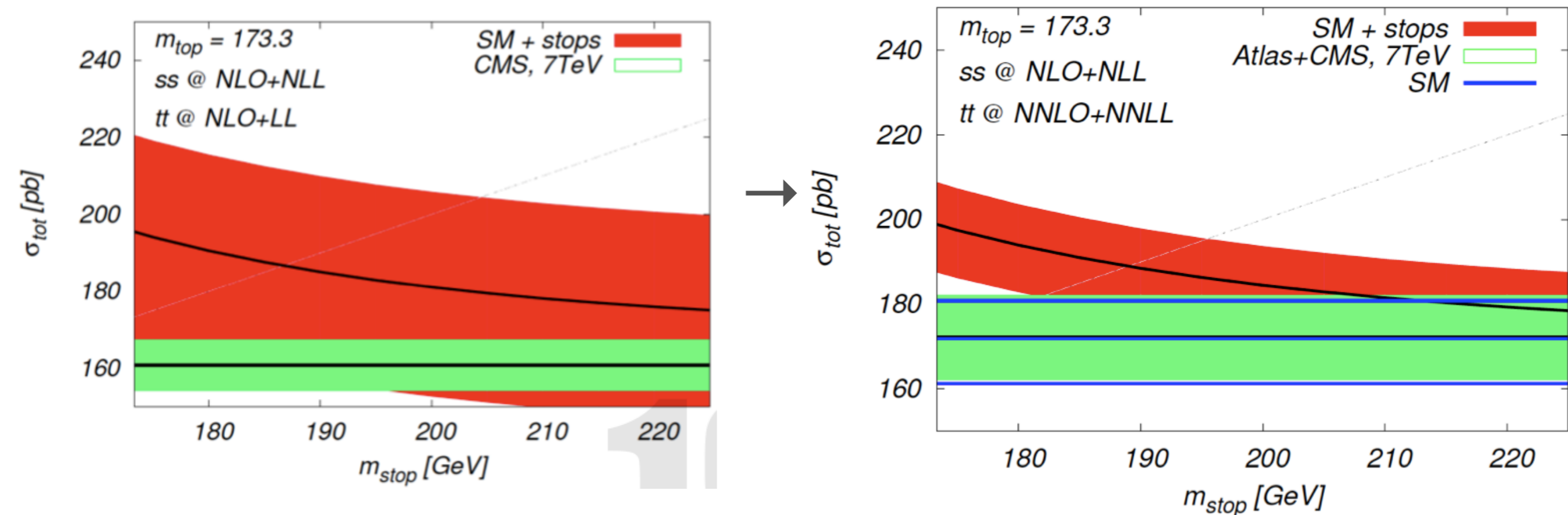
- Two loop hard matching coefficient extracted and included
- Very weak dependence on unknown parameters (sub 1%): gg NNLO, A, etc.
- ~ 50% scales reduction compared to the NLO+NNLL analysis

$\bar{t}t$ cross section at NNLO

Having a NNLO prediction opens the door to new possibilities.

Consider the light stop window in a compressed spectrum, that mimicks the normal $t\bar{t}$ production:

[Czakon, Mitov, Papucci, Ruderman, Weiler, 2014]

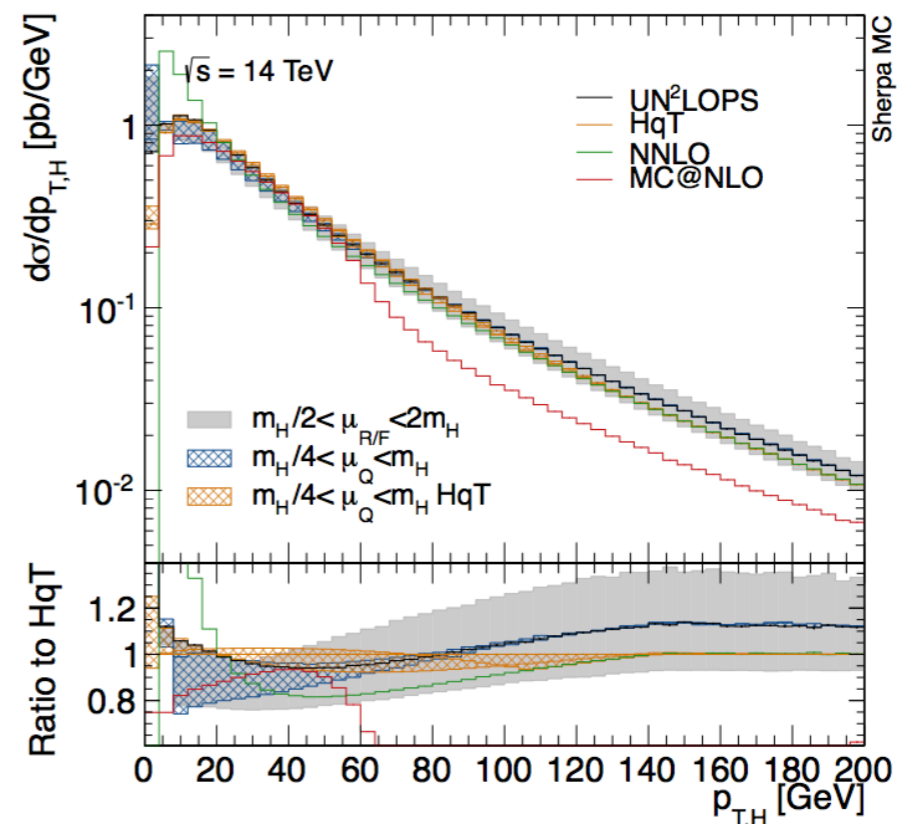
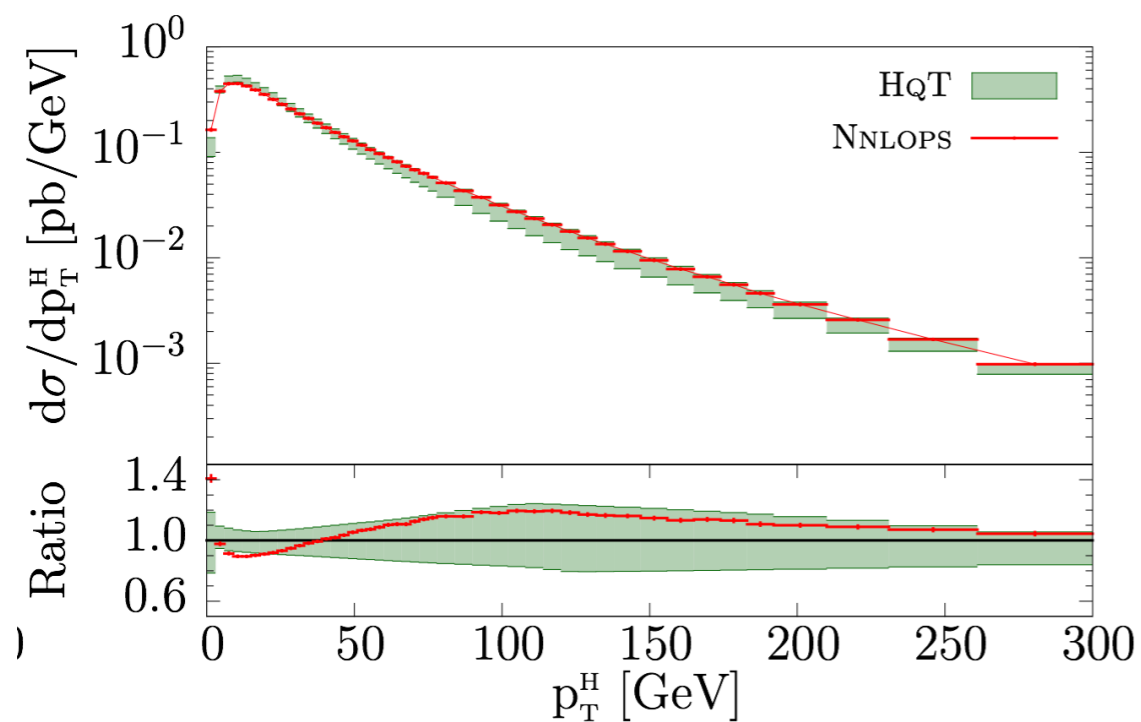


NNLO + PS

NLO matching well established, while NNLO matching still in its infancy

1) **NNLOPS**: use MINLO to obtain a NLO generator for both H and H+jet(s)
 [K.Hamilton, P.Nason, G.Zanderighi (2014,2015)]

2) **UN2LOPS**: use S-MC@NLO + UNLOPS + q_T slicing
 [N.Lavesson, L.Lonnblad (2008), S.Hoeche, Y.Li, S.Prestel (2014)]



Enforce correct NNLO normalisation by reweighing the inclusive rapidity distribution to the NNLO calculation

NNLO virtual corrections confined in the low p_T region while in the POWHEG-MINLO approach they are spread over the whole p_T region

The frontier: N3LO

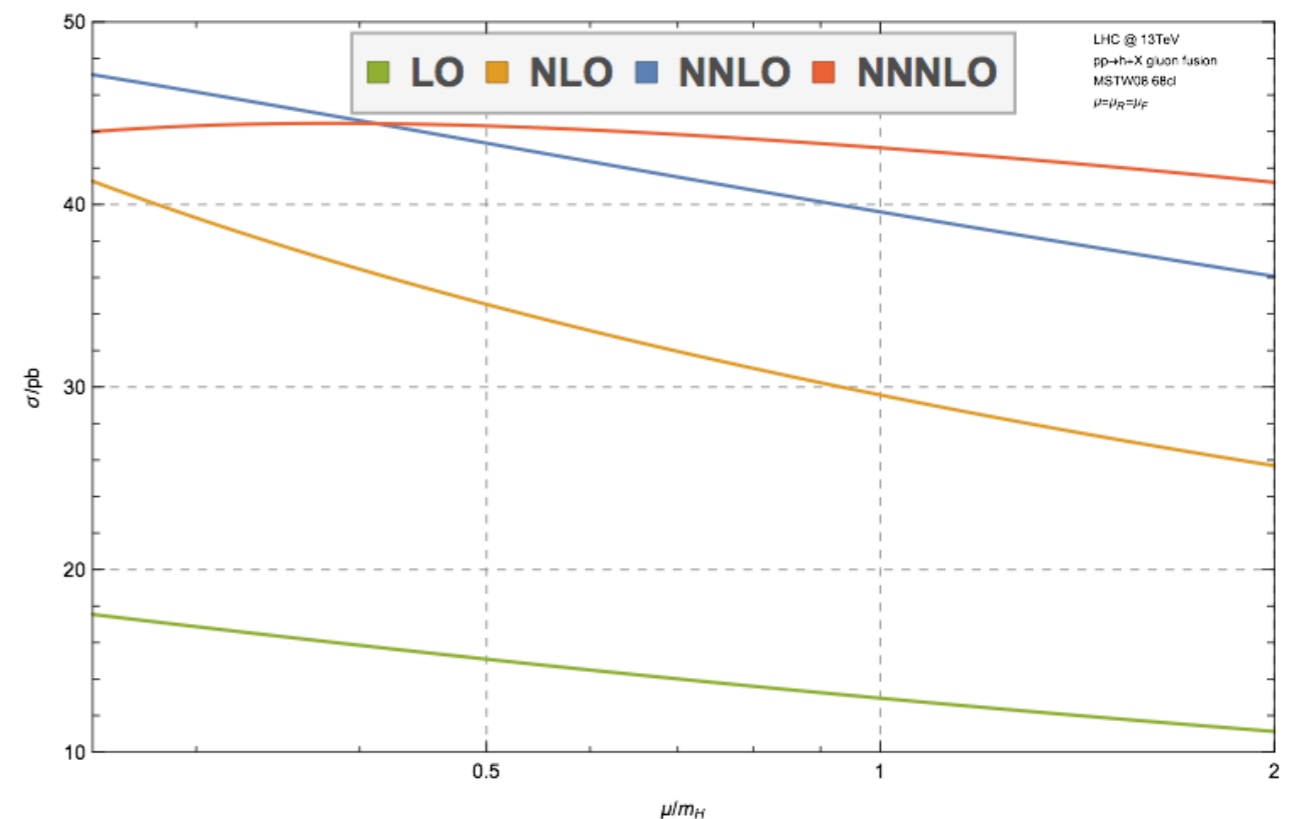
[C.Anastasiou, C.Duhr, F.Dulat, F.Herzog, B.Mistlberger (2015)]

Full calculation for the $gg \rightarrow H$ completed through the evaluation of 30 terms in the soft-expansion: first ever complete calculation at N3LO in hadronic collisions.

Significant reduction of uncertainties from missing higher orders and PDF+ α_s

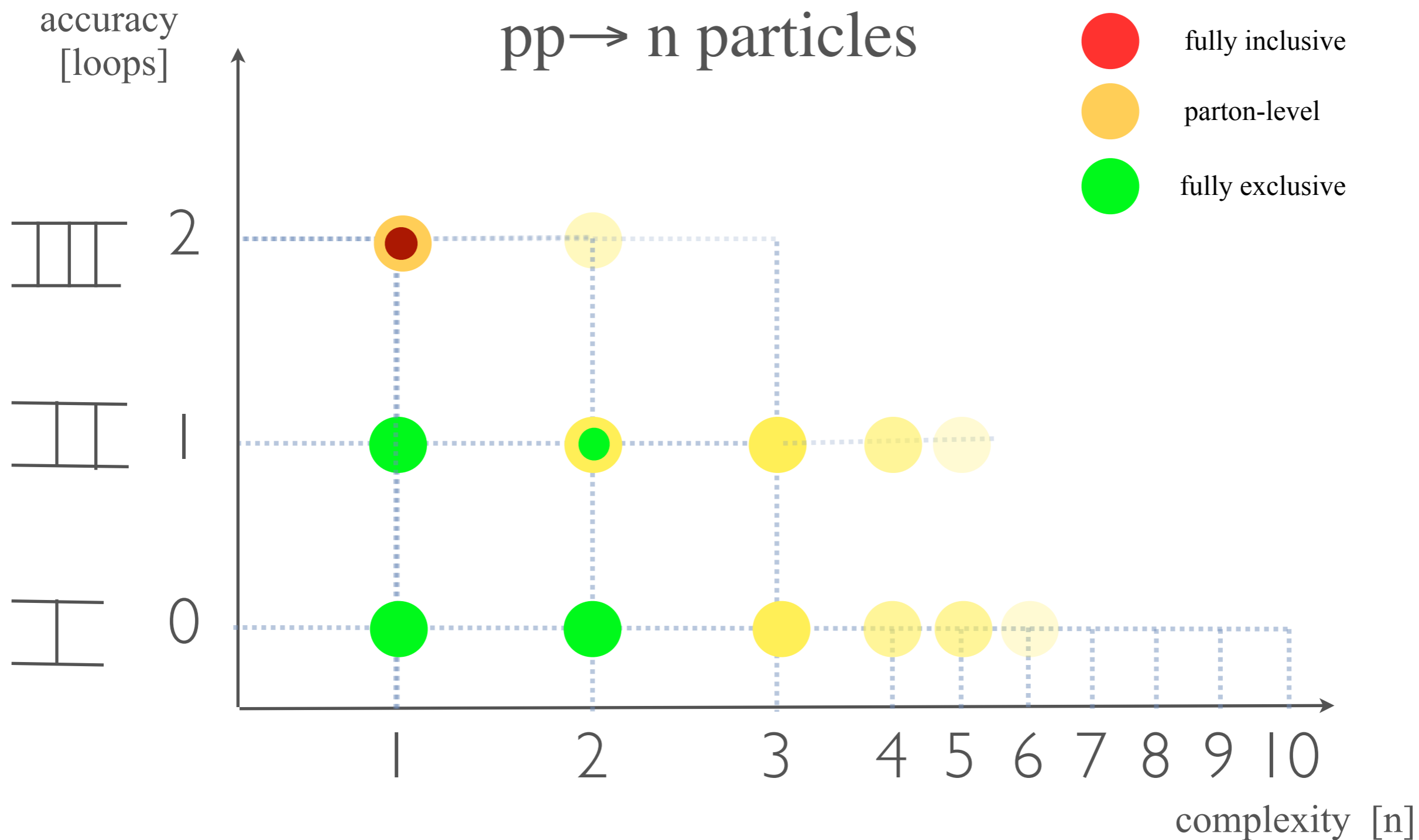
Scale dep. stabilizes around $\mu=m_H/2$

N3LO effect +2.2% at $\mu=m_H/2$

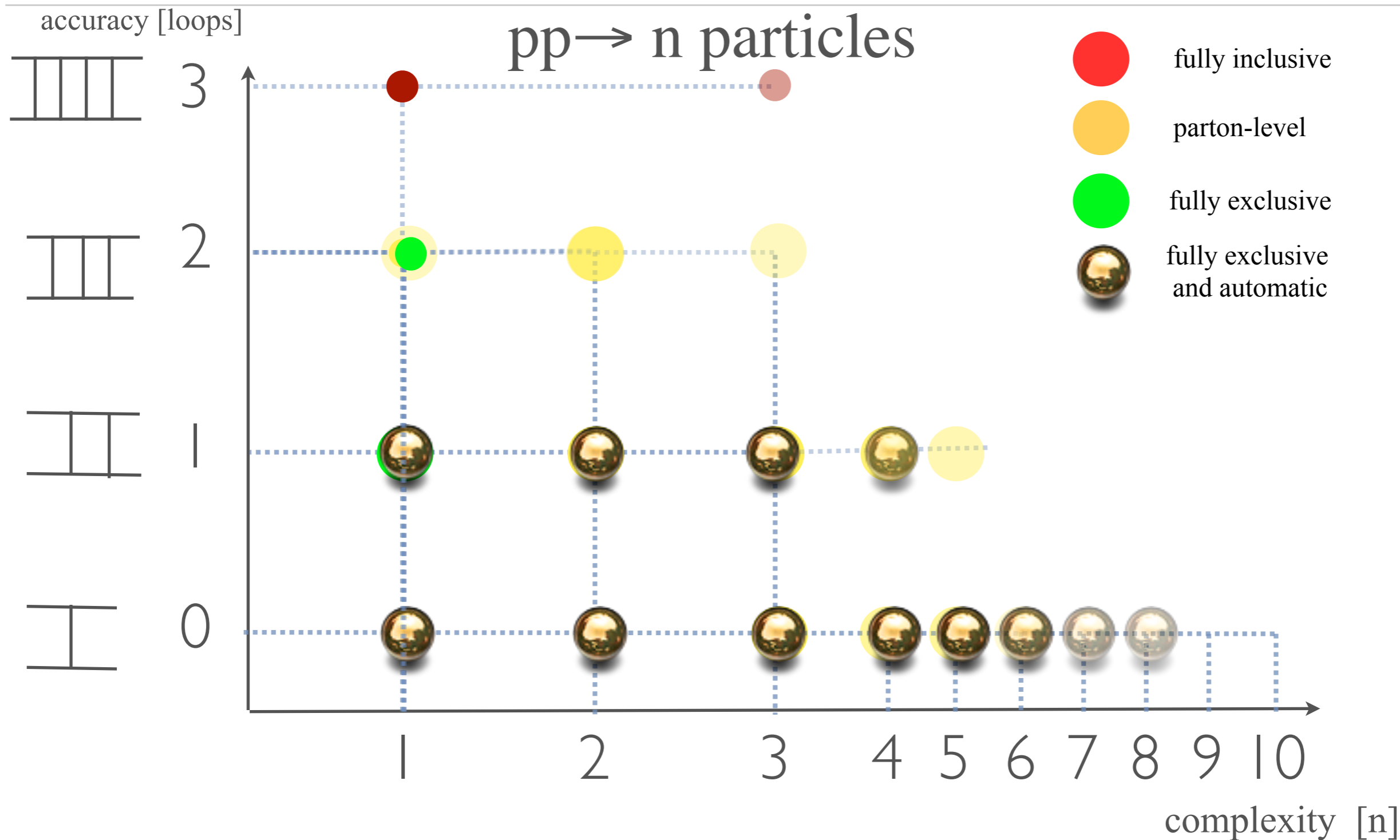


Corresponding new results for the Higgs cross section including mass effects at NLO and the other known corrections at 13 TeV expected soon.

Predictions in QCD: before the LHC



Predictions in QCD for the LHC: status 2020



Summary

- The LHC physics program demands predictions at an unprecedented level of accuracy and precision.
- Rapid and impressive progress in techniques in the last few years has lead to:
 - Full automation of the computation of NLO QCD corrections and their matching/merging with parton shower program: experimental grade predictions are now available for SM and BSM (resonant and in EFTs). Automatic NLO EW is being achieved now.
 - The new era of differential predictions at NNLO in QCD for a every-day increasing set of important SM processes $2 \rightarrow 2$, such as H+jet, V+jet, VV, t tbar production. In addition first exploration of NNLO+PS for $2 \rightarrow 1$ process has started.
 - Moving the frontier to N3LO.
- Main outcomes:
 - Progress in understanding of QCD and pp collisions at high Q^2
 - Room for experimentalists to make unprecedented SM and BSM studies

Summary

THANKS for your attention and
for all the good questions and feedback!

Rapidity and pseudorapidity

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{E + p_z}{E - p_z} = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{p^+}{p^-}$$

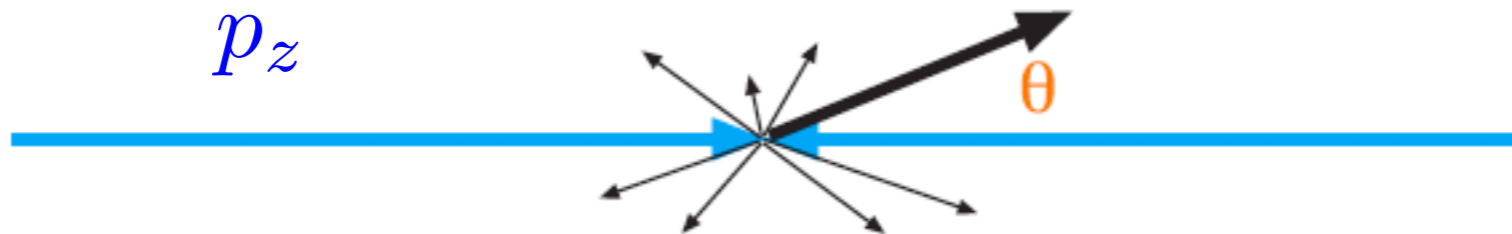
RAPIDITY

$$\eta = -\log(\tan(\theta/2))$$

PSEUDORAPIDITY

with

$$\tan \theta = \frac{p_T}{p_z}$$



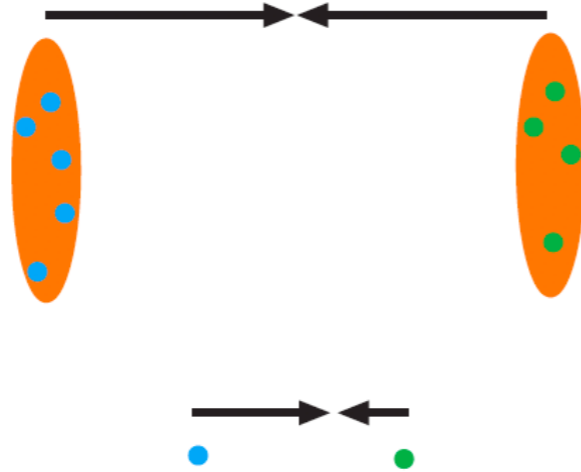
1. Rapidity transforms additively under a Lorentz boost : $y \rightarrow y' = y + \omega$
2. Rapidity differences are Lorentz invariants : $\Delta y \rightarrow \Delta y'$
3. Pseudo rapidity has a direct experimental definition but no special properties under the Lorentz boosts.
4. For massless particles rapidity and pseudo rapidity are the same.

pp kinematics

We describe the collision in terms of parton energies

$$E_1 = x_1 E_{\text{beam}}$$

$$E_2 = x_2 E_{\text{beam}}$$

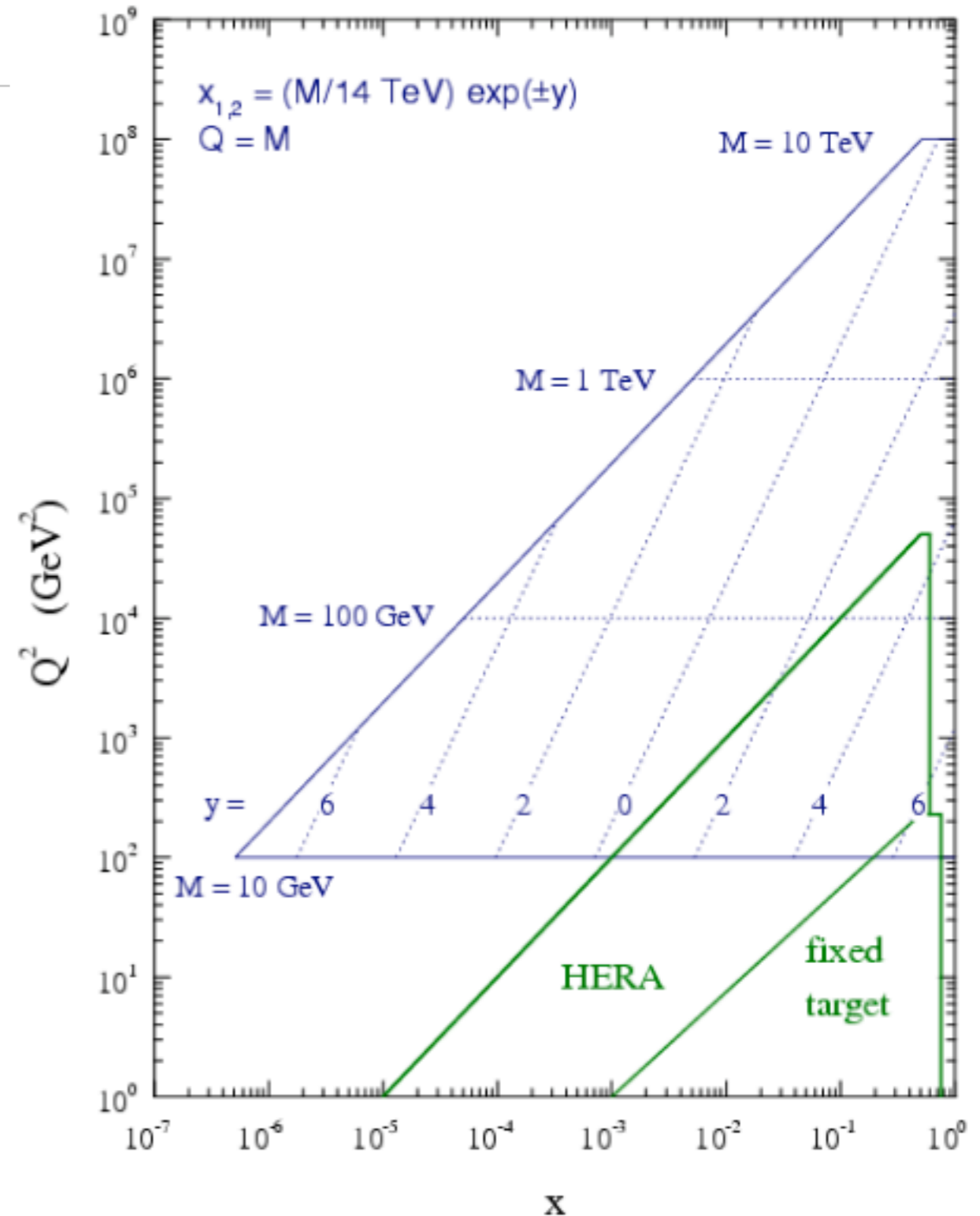


Obviously the partonic c.m.s. frame will be in general boosted. Let us say that the two partons annihilate into a particle of mass M .

$$M^2 = x_1 x_2 S = x_1 x_2 4 E_{\text{beam}}^2$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{x_1}{x_2}$$

$$x_1 = \frac{M}{\sqrt{S}} e^y \quad x_2 = \frac{M}{\sqrt{S}} e^{-y}$$



Try out a “simple” NLO calculation yourself

Hands-on!

PP → HIGGS + X AT NLO

- LO : 1-loop calculation and HEFT
- NLO in the HEFT
 - Virtual corrections and renormalization
 - Real corrections and IS singularities
- Cross sections at the LHC

Write-up can be found [HERE](#)

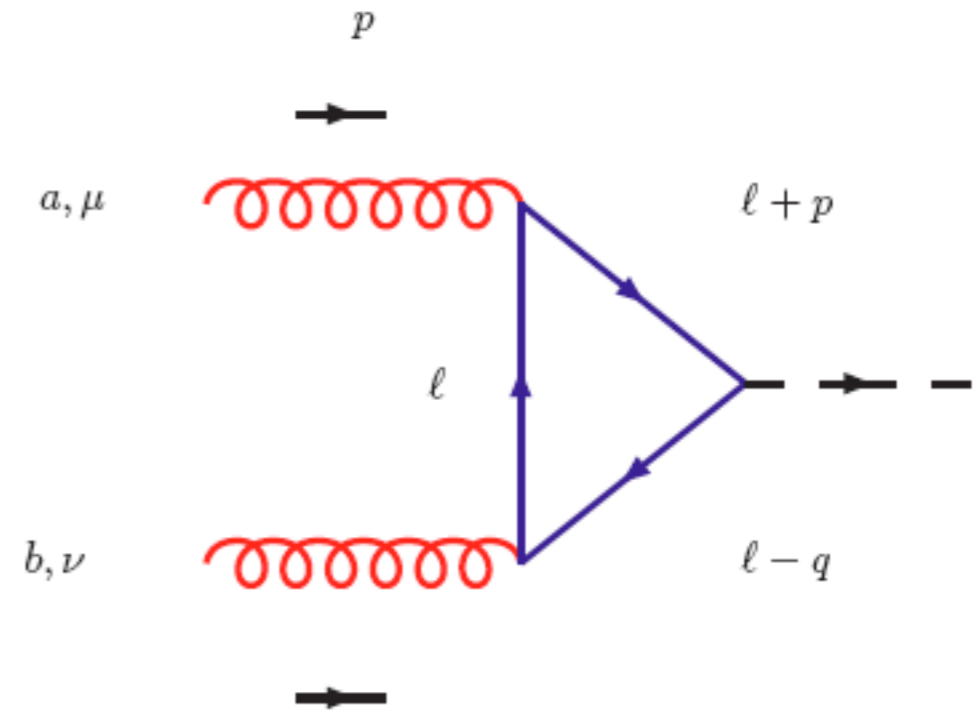
pp → H at LO

This is a “simple” 2 → 1 process.

However, at variance with pp → W, the LO order process already proceeds through a loop.

In this case, this means that the loop calculation has to give a finite result!

Let's do the calculation!



$$i\mathcal{A} = -(-ig_s)^2 \text{Tr}(t^a t^b) \left(\frac{-im_t}{v} \right) \int \frac{d^d \ell}{(2\pi)^n} \frac{T^{\mu\nu}}{\text{Den}} (i)^3 \epsilon_\mu(p) \epsilon_\nu(q)$$

where

$$\text{Den} = (\ell^2 - m_t^2)[(\ell + p)^2 - m_t^2][(\ell - q)^2 - m_t^2]$$

We combine the denominators into one by using $\frac{1}{ABC} = 2 \int_0^1 dx \int_0^{1-x} \frac{dy}{[Ax + By + C(1-x-y)]^3}$

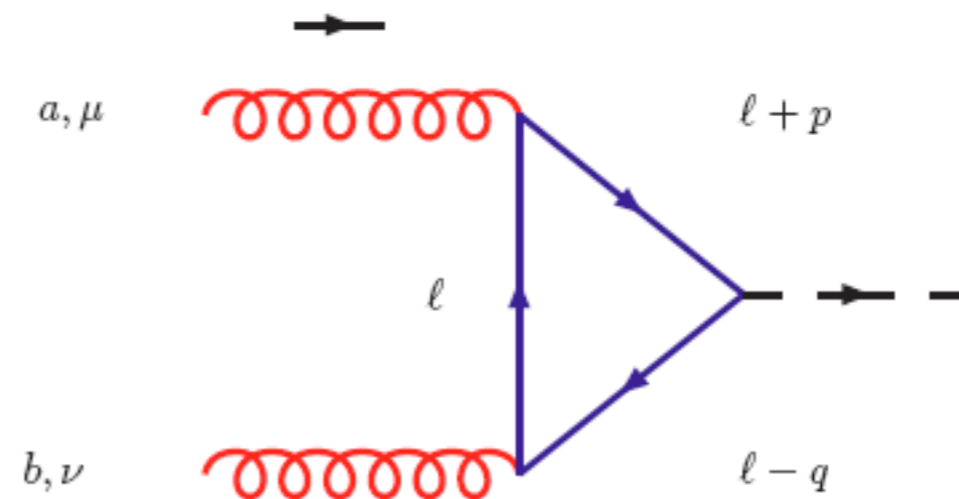
$$\frac{1}{\text{Den}} = 2 \int dx dy \frac{1}{[\ell^2 - m_t^2 + 2\ell \cdot (px - qy)]^3}$$

pp → H at LO

We shift the momentum:

$$\ell' = \ell + px - qy$$

$$\frac{1}{\text{Den}} \rightarrow 2 \int dx dy \frac{1}{[\ell'^2 - m_t^2 + M_H^2 xy]^3}$$



And now the tensor in the numerator:

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \text{Tr} \left[(\ell + m_t) \gamma^\mu (\ell + p + m_t) (\ell - q + m_t) \gamma^\nu \right]$$

$$= 4m_t \left[g^{\mu\nu} \left(m_t^2 - \ell^2 - \frac{M_H^2}{2} \right) + 4\ell^\mu \ell^\nu + p^\nu q^\mu \right]$$

where I used the fact that the external gluons are on-shell. This trace is proportional to m_t ! This is due to the spin flip caused by the scalar coupling.

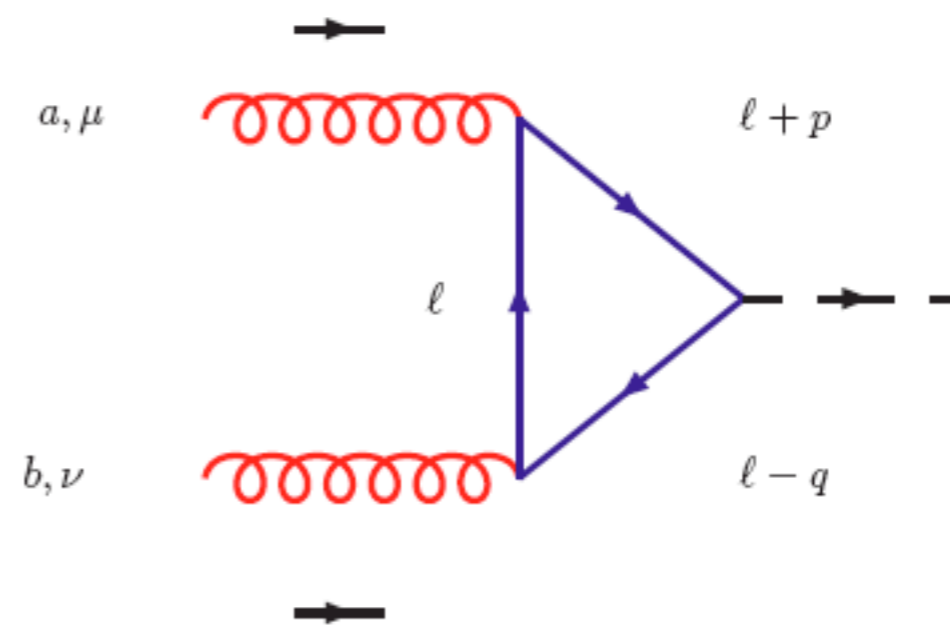
Now we shift the loop momentum also here, we drop terms linear in the loop momentum (they are odd and vanish) and

pp → H at LO

We perform the tensor decomposition using:

$$\int d^d k \frac{k^\mu k^\nu}{(k^2 - C)^m} = \frac{1}{d} g^{\mu\nu} \int d^d k \frac{k^2}{(k^2 - C)^m}$$

So I can write an expression which depends only on scalar loop integrals:



$$i\mathcal{A} = -\frac{2g_s^2 m_t^2}{v} \delta^{ab} \int \frac{d^d \ell'}{(2\pi)^d} \int dx dy \left\{ g^{\mu\nu} \left[m^2 + \ell'^2 \left(\frac{4-d}{d} \right) + M_H^2 \left(xy - \frac{1}{2} \right) \right] + p^\nu q^\mu (1 - 4xy) \right\} \frac{2dxdy}{(\ell'^2 - m_t^2 + M_H^2 xy)^3} \epsilon_\mu(p) \epsilon_\nu(q).$$

There's a term which apparently diverges.....??

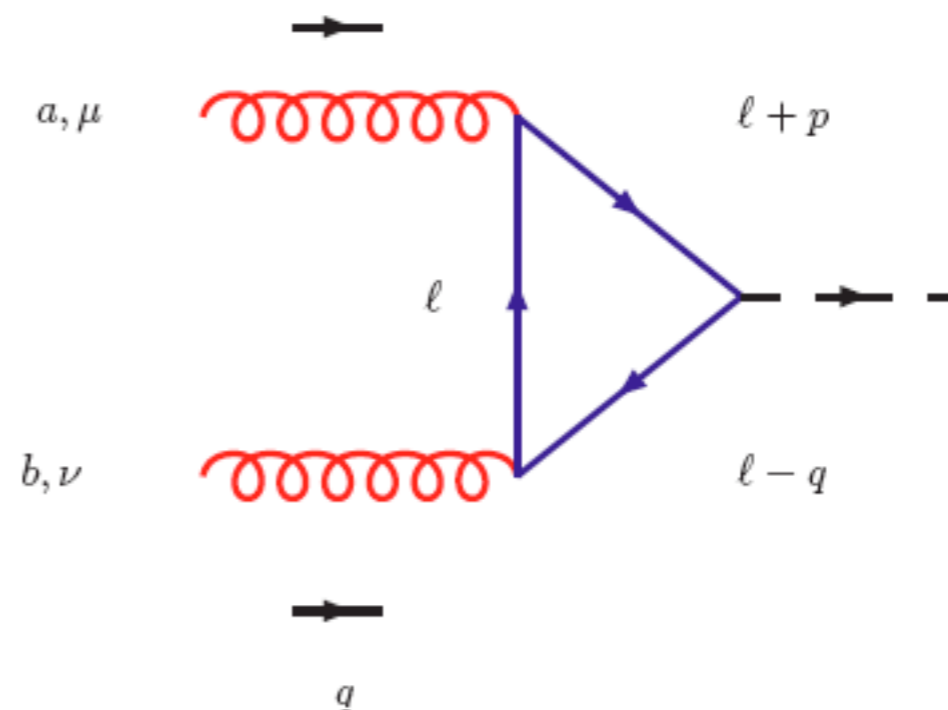
Ok, Let's look the scalar integrals up in a table (or calculate them!)

pp → H at LO

$$\int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{k^2}{(k^2 - C)^3} = \frac{i}{32\pi^2} (4\pi)^\epsilon \frac{\Gamma(1 + \epsilon)}{\epsilon} (2 - \epsilon) C^{-\epsilon}$$

$$\int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{1}{(k^2 - C)^3} = -\frac{i}{32\pi^2} (4\pi)^\epsilon \Gamma(1 + \epsilon) C^{-1-\epsilon}.$$

where $d=4-2\epsilon$. By substituting we arrive at a very simple final result!!



$$\mathcal{A}(gg \rightarrow H) = -\frac{\alpha_S m_t^2}{\pi v} \delta^{ab} \left(g^{\mu\nu} \frac{M_H^2}{2} - p^\nu q^\mu \right) \int dx dy \left(\frac{1 - 4xy}{m_t^2 - m_H^2 xy} \right) \epsilon_\mu(p) \epsilon_\nu(q).$$

Comments:

- * The final dependence of the result is m_t^2 : one from the Yukawa coupling, one from the spin flip.
- * The tensor structure could have been guessed by gauge invariance.
- * The integral depends on m_t and m_h .

pp → H at LO

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow H) = \int_{\tau_0}^1 dx_1 \int_{\tau_0/x_1}^1 dx_2 g(x_1, \mu_f) g(x_2, \mu_f) \hat{\sigma}(gg \rightarrow H)$$

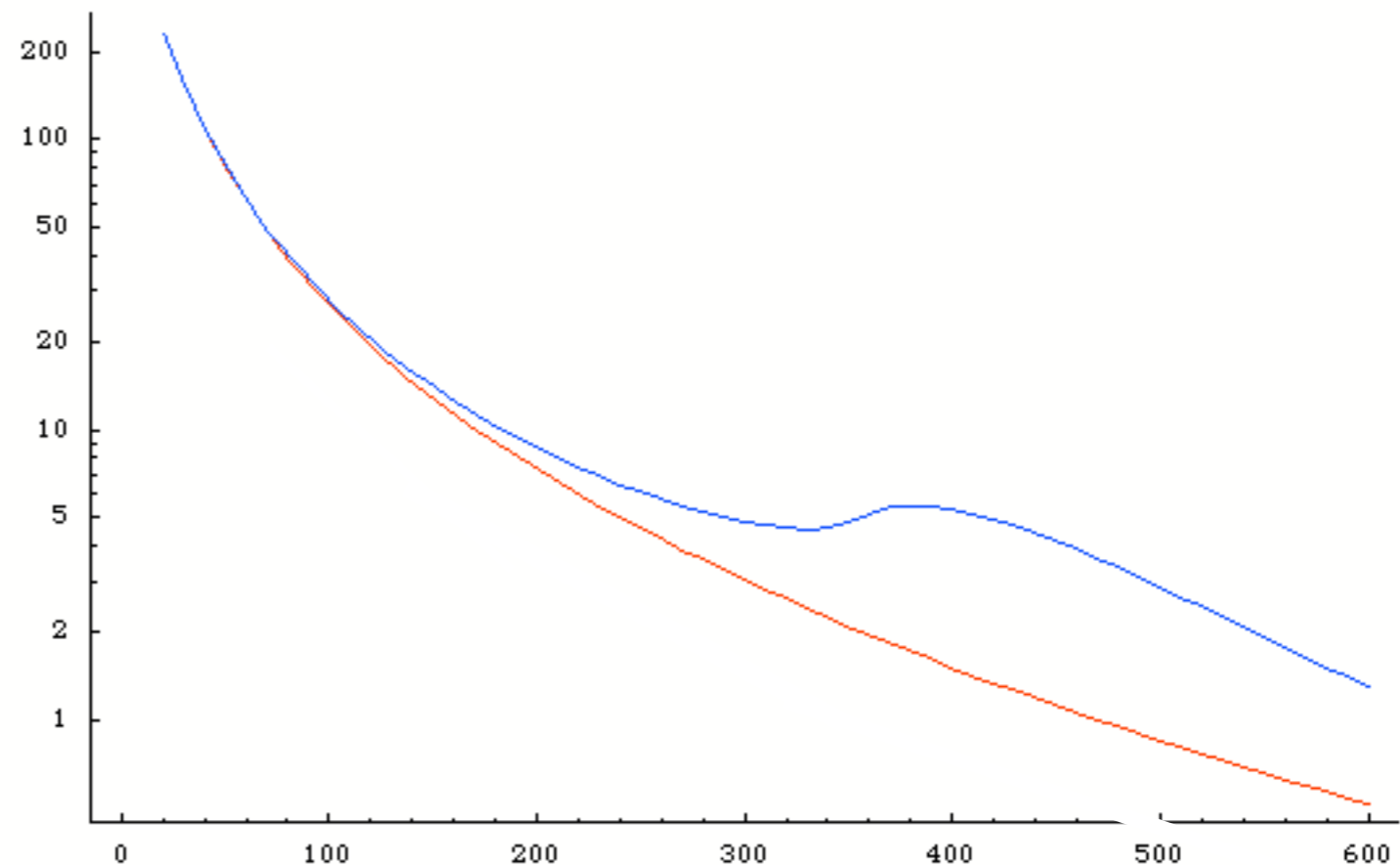
$$x_1 \equiv \sqrt{\tau} e^y \quad x_2 \equiv \sqrt{\tau} e^{-y} \quad \tau = x_1 x_2 \quad \tau_0 = M_H^2/S \quad z = \tau_0/\tau$$

$$= \frac{\alpha_S^2}{64\pi v^2} \left| I\left(\frac{M_H^2}{m^2}\right) \right|^2 \tau_0 \int_{\log \sqrt{\tau_0}}^{-\log \sqrt{\tau_0}} dy g(\sqrt{\tau_0} e^y) g(\sqrt{\tau_0} e^{-y})$$

The hadronic cross section can be expressed a function of the gluon-gluon luminosity.

$I(x)$ has both a real and imaginary part, which develops at $m_h = 2m_t$.

This causes a bump in the cross section.



EFT

At NLO we have to include an extra parton (virtual or real).

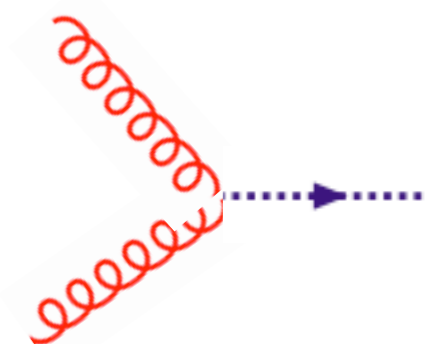
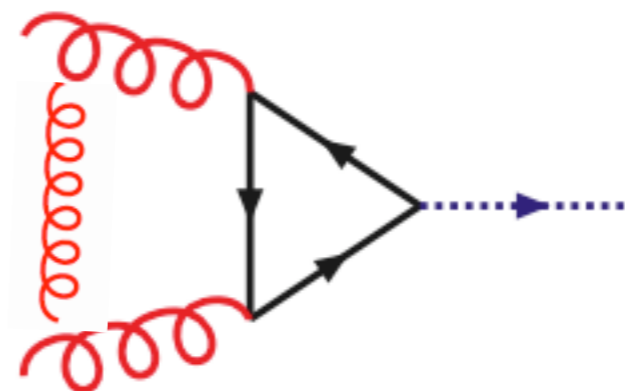
The virtuals will become a two-loop calculation!!

Can we avoid that?

Let's consider the case where the Higgs is light:

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$$\xrightarrow{m \gg M_H} -\frac{\alpha_S}{3\pi v} \delta^{ab} \left(g^{\mu\nu} \frac{M_H^2}{2} - p^\nu q^\mu \right) \epsilon_\mu(p) \epsilon_\nu(q).$$



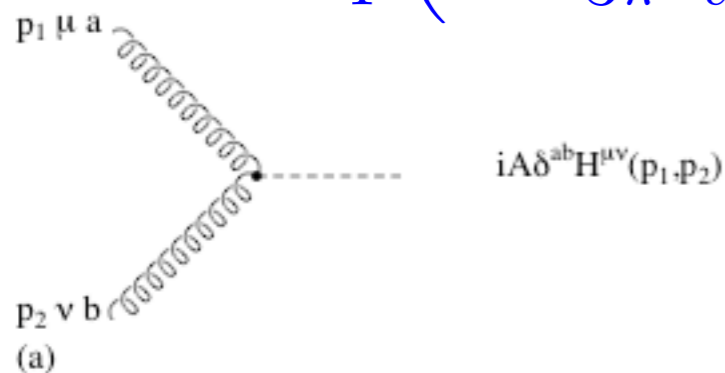
This looks like a local vertex, ggH .

The top quark has disappeared from the low energy theory but it has left something behind (non-decoupling).

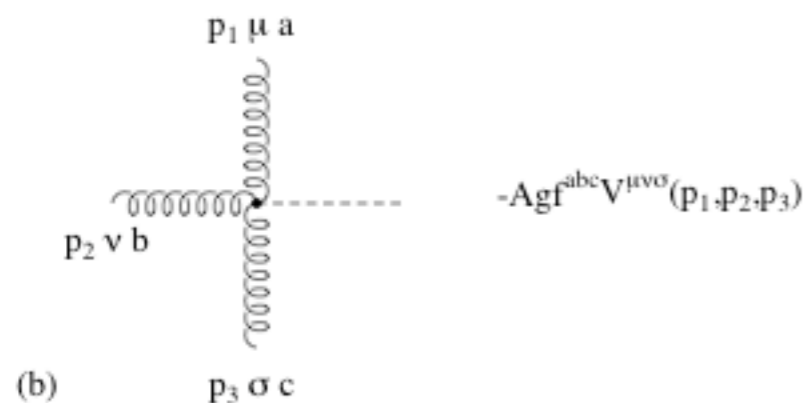
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$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = -\frac{1}{4} \left(1 - \frac{\alpha_S}{3\pi} \frac{H}{v} \right) G^{\mu\nu} G_{\mu\nu}$$

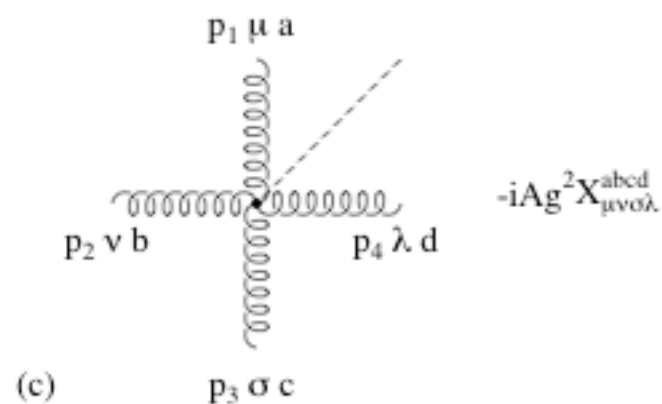
This is an effective non-renormalizable theory (no top) which describes the Higgs couplings to QCD.



$$H^{\mu\nu}(p_1, p_2) = g^{\mu\nu} p_1 \cdot p_2 - p_1^\nu p_2^\mu.$$



$$V^{\mu\nu\rho}(p_1, p_2, p_3) = (p_1 - p_2)^\rho g^{\mu\nu} + (p_2 - p_3)^\mu g^{\nu\rho} + (p_3 - p_1)^\nu g^{\rho\mu},$$



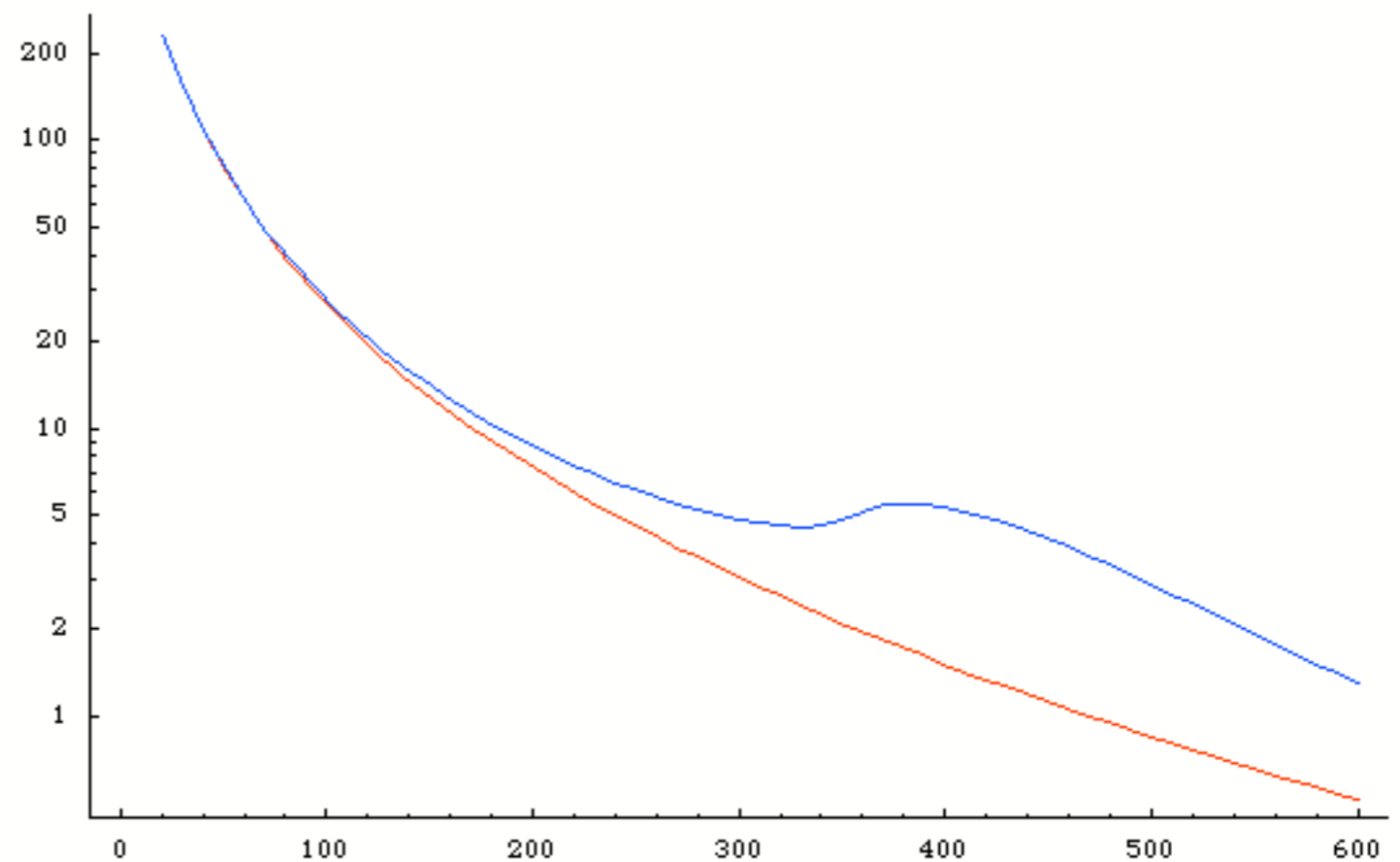
$$\begin{aligned} X_{abcd}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} = & f_{abe} f_{cde} (g^{\mu\rho} g^{\nu\sigma} - g^{\mu\sigma} g^{\nu\rho}) \\ & + f_{ace} f_{bde} (g^{\mu\nu} g^{\rho\sigma} - g^{\mu\sigma} g^{\nu\rho}) \\ & + f_{ade} f_{bce} (g^{\mu\nu} g^{\rho\sigma} - g^{\mu\rho} g^{\nu\sigma}). \end{aligned}$$

EFT

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The accuracy of the calculation in the HEFT calculation can be directly assessed by taking the limit $m \rightarrow \infty$.

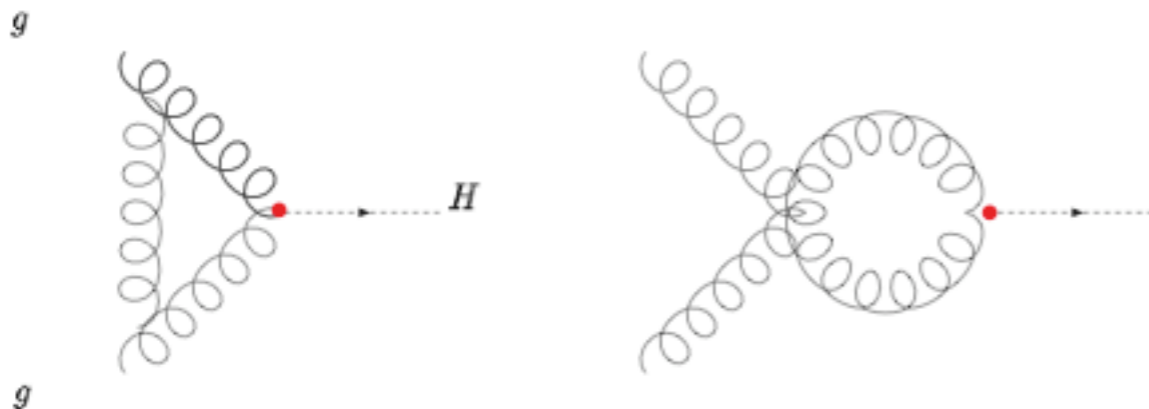
For light Higgs is better than 10%.



So, if we are interested in a light Higgs we use the HEFT and simplify our life. If we do so, the NLO calculation becomes a standard 1-loop calculation, similar to Drell-Yan at NLO.

We can (try to) do it!!

pp → H at NLO in the EFT



Out of 8 diagrams, only two are non-zero (in dimensional regularization), a bubble and a triangle.

They can be easily written down by hand.

Then the integration over the tensor decomposition into scalar integrals and loop integration has to be performed.

One also have to consider that the coefficient of the HEFT receive corrections which have to be included in the result.

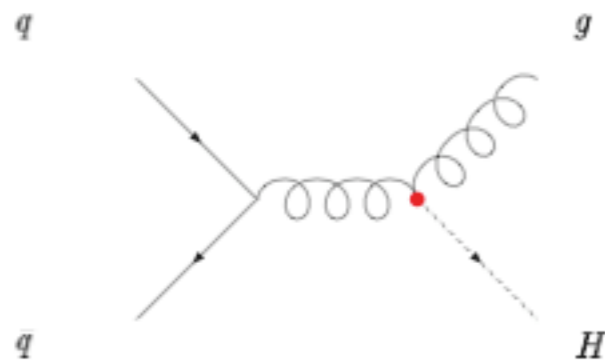
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{NLO}} = \left(1 + \frac{11}{4} \frac{\alpha_S}{\pi} \right) \frac{\alpha_S}{3\pi} \frac{H}{v} G^{\mu\nu} G_{\mu\nu}$$

The result is:

$$\sigma_{\text{virt}} = \sigma_0 \delta(1-z) \left[1 + \frac{\alpha_S}{2\pi} C_A \left(\frac{\mu^2}{m_H^2} \right)^\epsilon c_\Gamma \left(-\frac{2}{\epsilon^2} + \frac{11}{3} + \pi^2 \right) \right],$$

$$\sigma_{\text{Born}} = \frac{\alpha_S^2}{\pi} \frac{m_H^2}{576v^2s} (1 + \epsilon + \epsilon^2) \mu^{2\epsilon} \delta(1-z) \equiv \sigma_0 \delta(1-z) \quad z = m_H^2/s$$

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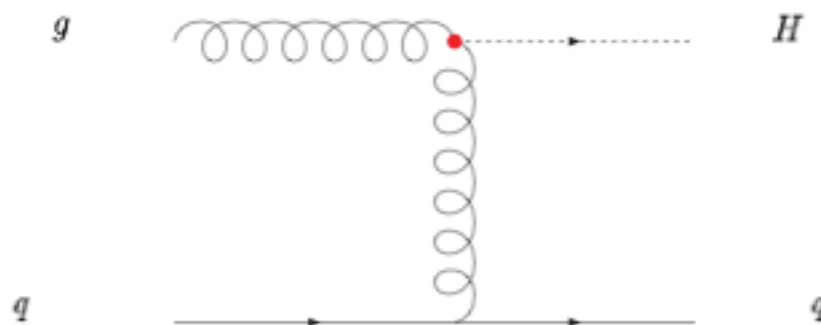
$$|\overline{\mathcal{M}}|^2 = \frac{4}{81} \frac{\alpha_S^3}{\pi v^2} \frac{(\hat{u}^2 + \hat{t}^2) - \epsilon(\hat{u} + \hat{t})^2}{\hat{s}}$$

Integrating over phase space (cms angle theta)

$$\hat{t} = -\hat{s}(1-z)(1-\cos\theta)/2$$

$$\hat{u} = -\hat{s}(1-z)(1+\cos\theta)/2$$

$$\sigma_{\text{real}}(q\bar{q}) = \sigma_0 \frac{\alpha_S}{2\pi} \frac{64}{27} \frac{(1-z)^3}{z} \quad \text{finite!}$$



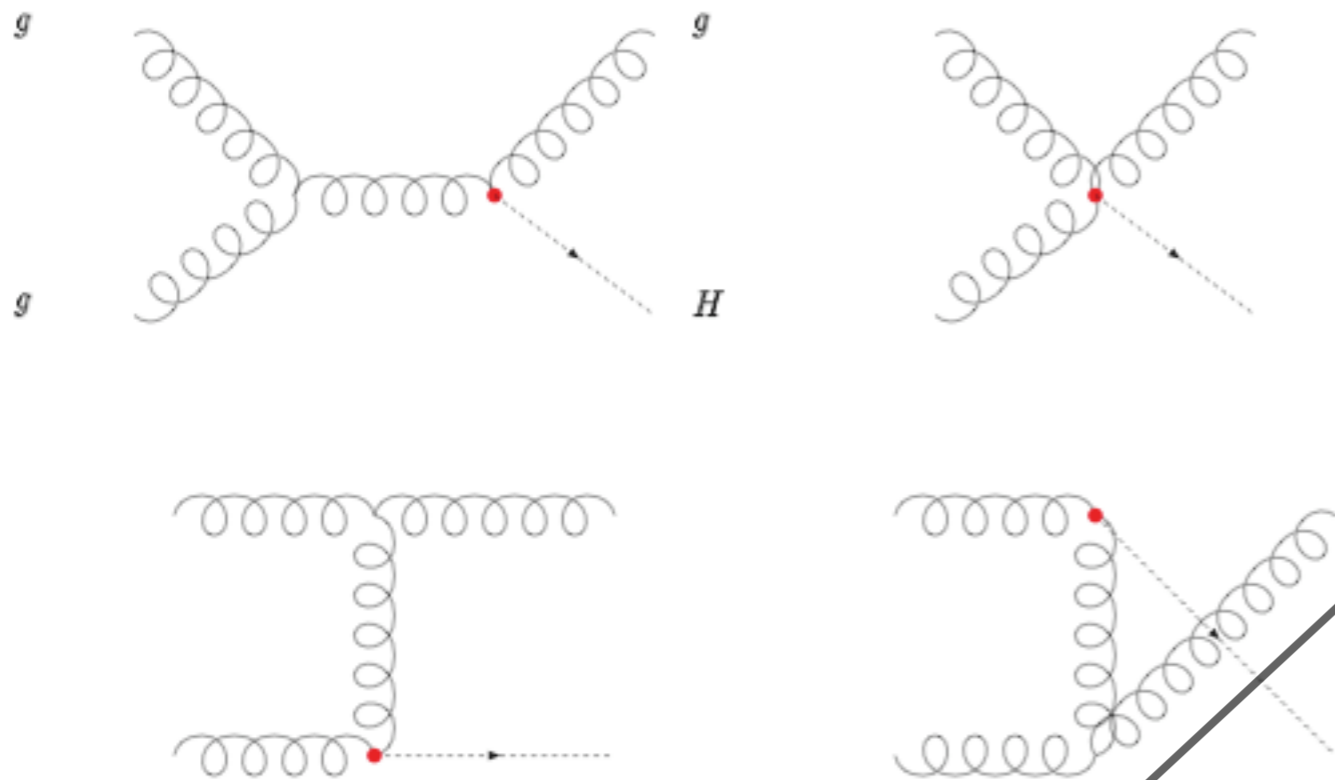
$$|\overline{\mathcal{M}}|^2 = -\frac{1}{54(1-\epsilon)} \frac{\alpha_S^3}{\pi v^2} \frac{(\hat{u}^2 + \hat{s}^2) - \epsilon(\hat{u} + \hat{s})^2}{\hat{t}}$$

Integrating over the D-dimensional phase space the collinear singularity manifests a pole in 1/epsilon

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$$\begin{aligned} \sigma^{\overline{\text{MS}}}(qg) &= \sigma_{\text{real}} + \sigma_{\text{c.t.}}^{\text{coll.}} & \sigma_{\text{c.t.}}^{\text{coll.}} &= \sigma_0 \frac{\alpha_S}{2\pi} \left[\left(\frac{\mu^2}{\mu_F^2} \right)^\epsilon \frac{c_\Gamma}{\epsilon} P_{gq}(z) \right] \\ &= \sigma_0 \frac{\alpha_S}{2\pi} C_F \left[p_{gq}(z) \log \frac{m_H^2}{\mu_F^2} + p_{gq}(z) \log \frac{(1-z)^2}{z} + \frac{(1-z)(7z-3)}{2z} \right] \end{aligned}$$

pp → H at NLO in the EFT



This is the last piece: the result at the end must be finite!

$2/\epsilon$ cancels with the virtual contribution ✓

This is the renormalization of the coupling!!

$$\sigma_{\text{c.t.}}^{\text{UV}} = 2 \sigma_{\text{Born}} \frac{\alpha_S}{2\pi} \left[- \left(\frac{\mu^2}{\mu_{\text{UV}}^2} \right)^\epsilon c_\Gamma \frac{b_0}{\epsilon} \right] \checkmark$$

$$\sigma_{\text{real}} = \sigma_0 \frac{\alpha_S}{2\pi} C_A \left(\frac{\mu^2}{m_H^2} \right)^\epsilon c_\Gamma \left[\left(\frac{2}{\epsilon^2} - \frac{2 b_0}{\epsilon C_A} - \frac{\pi^2}{3} \right) \delta(1-z) - \frac{2}{\epsilon} P_{gg}(z) - \frac{11}{3} \frac{(1-z)^3}{z} - 4 \frac{(1-z)^2(1+z^2) + z^2}{z(1-z)} \log z + 4 \frac{1+z^4 + (1-z)^4}{z} \left(\frac{\log(1-z)}{1-z} \right)_+ \right]$$

This is an initial-state divergence to be reabsorbed in the pdf

$$\sigma_{\text{c.t.}}^{\text{coll.}} = 2 \sigma_0 \frac{\alpha_S}{2\pi} \left[\left(\frac{\mu^2}{\mu_F^2} \right)^\epsilon \frac{c_\Gamma}{\epsilon} P_{gg}(z) \right] \checkmark$$

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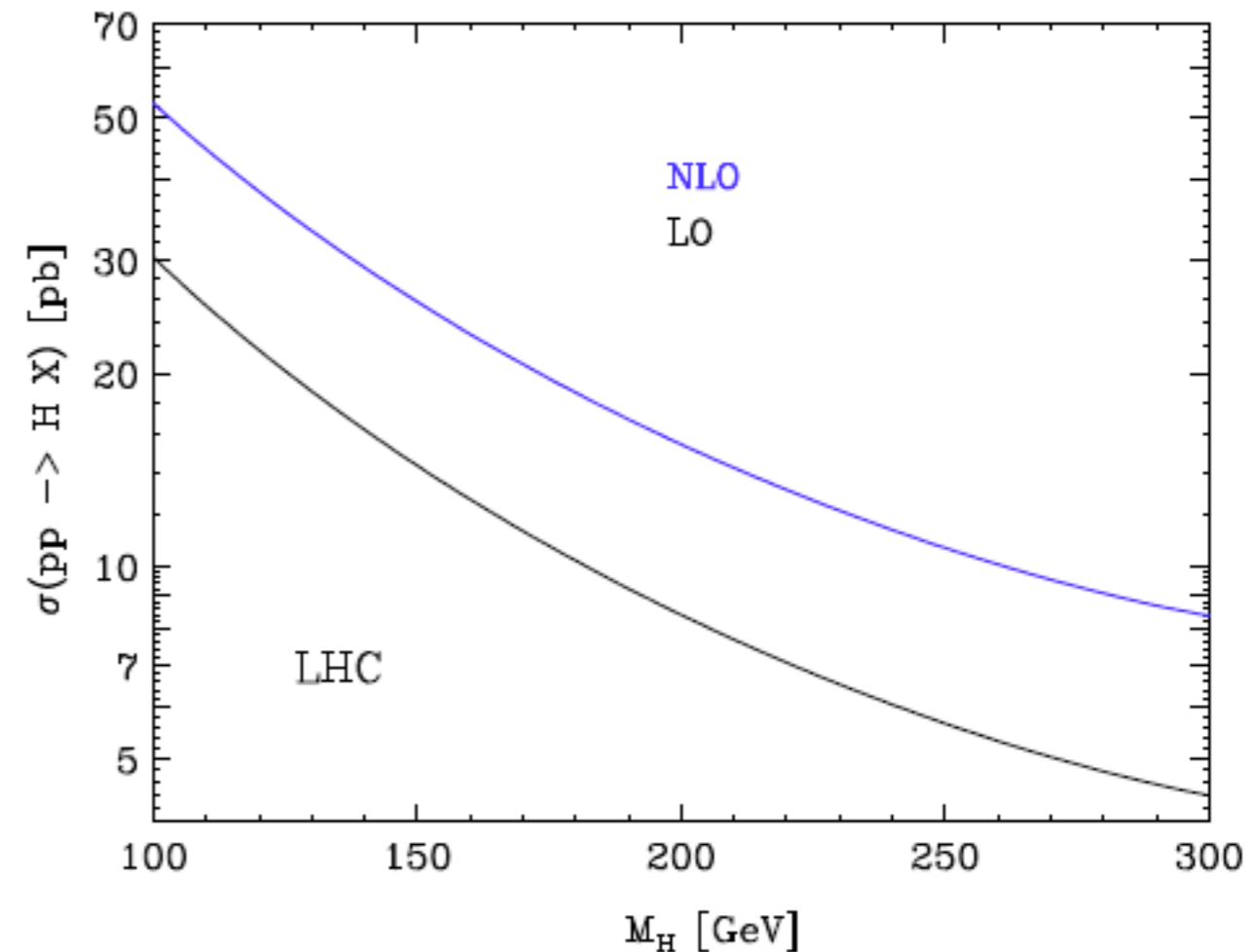
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