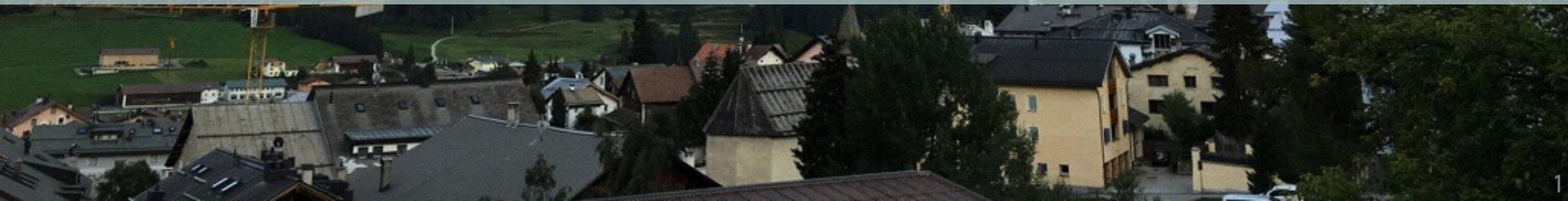


# INGREDIENTS FOR ACCURATE COLLIDER PHYSICS (2/2)

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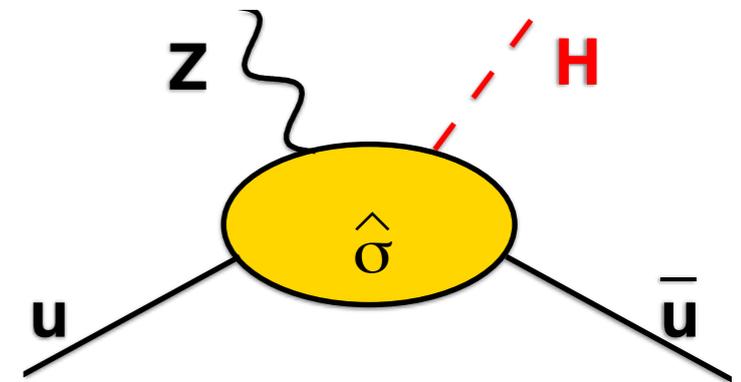
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# the hard cross section

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$$\sigma \sim \sigma_2 \alpha_s^2 + \sigma_3 \alpha_s^3 + \sigma_4 \alpha_s^4 + \sigma_5 \alpha_s^5 + \dots$$

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**NLO**

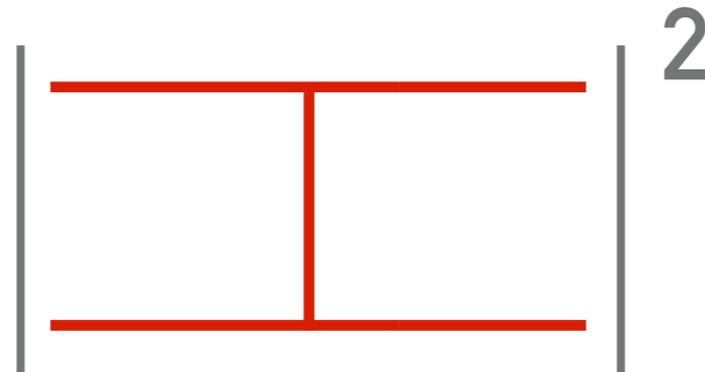
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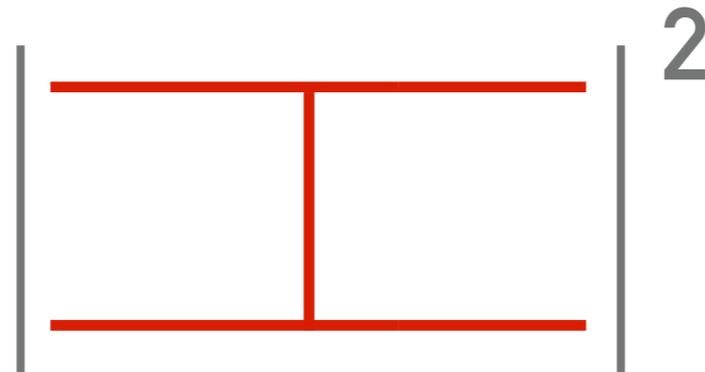


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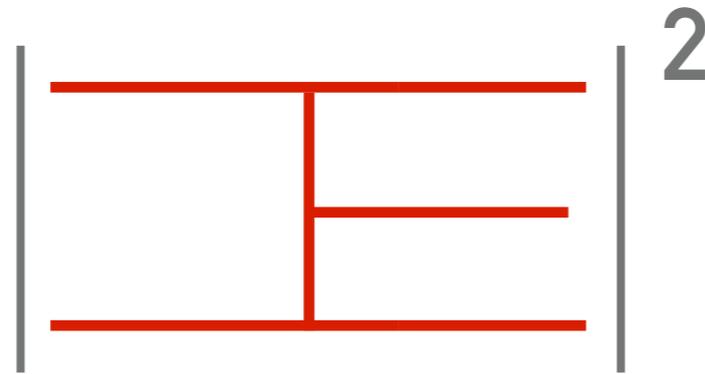
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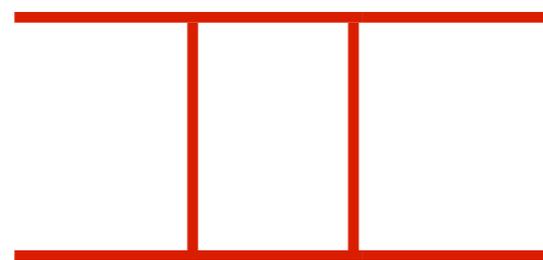
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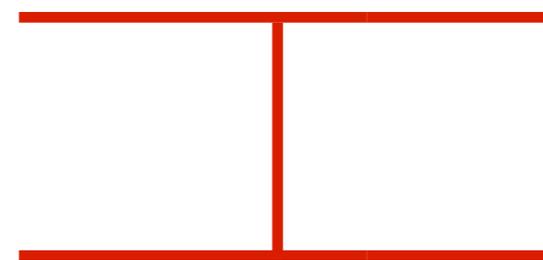


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1-loop  
 $2 \rightarrow 2$



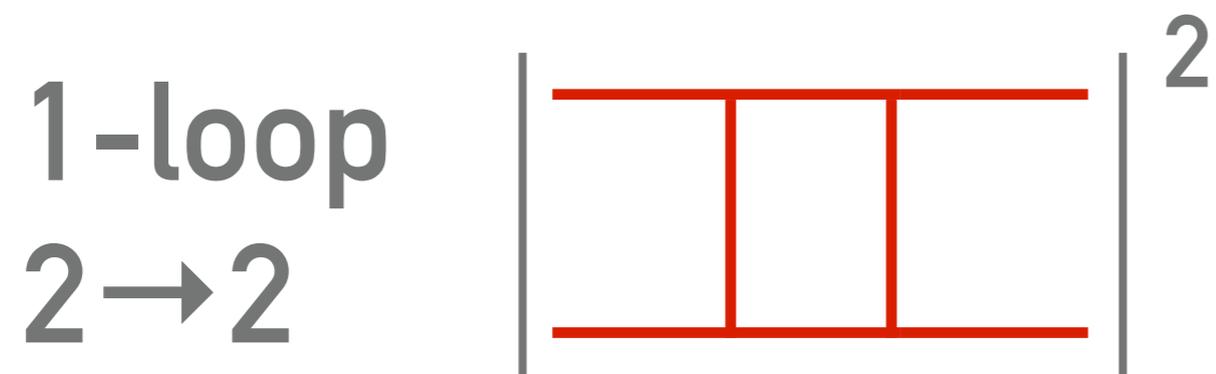
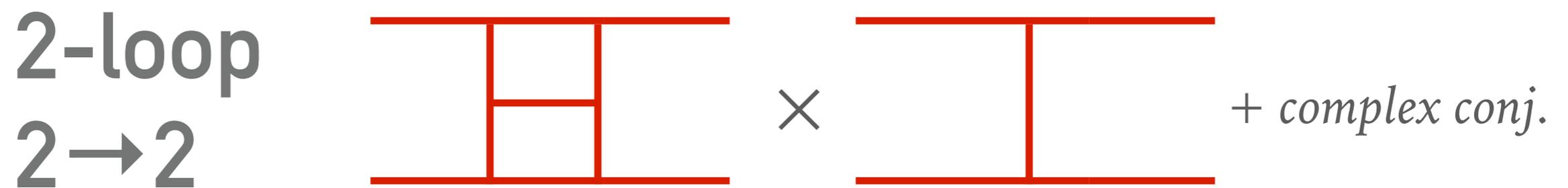
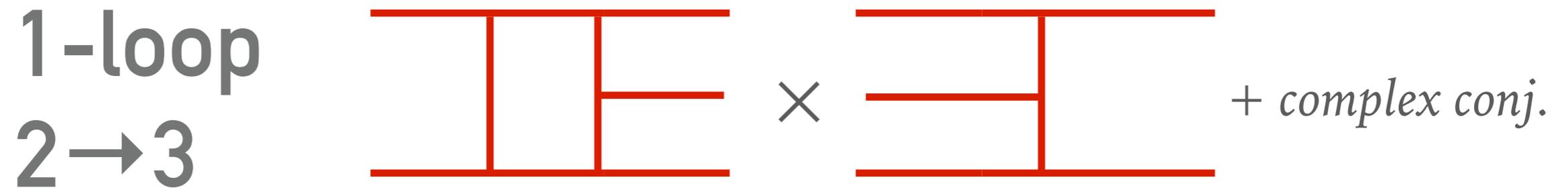
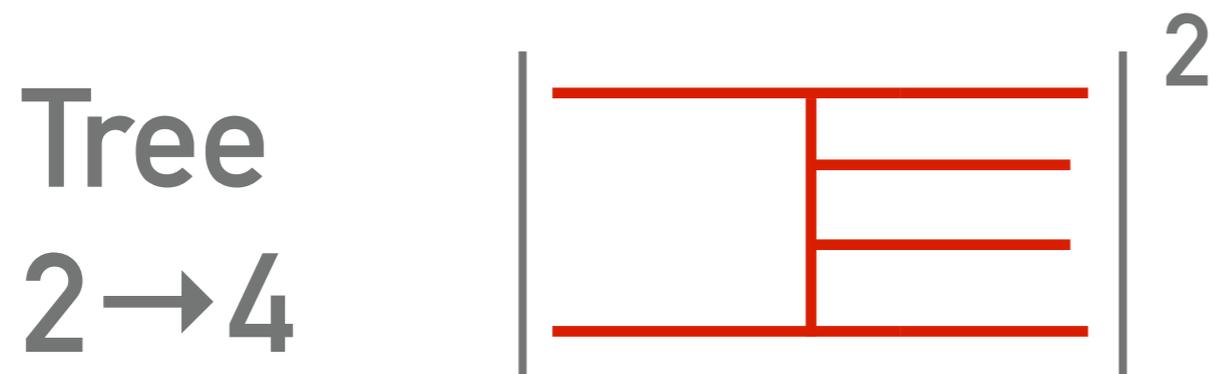
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+ complex conj.

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# EXAMPLE SERIES #1

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$$\frac{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons})}{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)} = \quad [\alpha_s \equiv \alpha_s(\sqrt{s_{e^+e^-}})]$$
$$= R_0 \left( 1 + 0.32\alpha_s + 0.14\alpha_s^2 - 0.47\alpha_s^3 - 0.59316\alpha_s^4 + \dots \right)$$

*Baikov et al., 1206.1288*  
(numbers for  $\gamma$ -exchange only)

This is one of the few quantities calculated to N4LO

Good convergence of the series at every order

(at least for  $\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.118$ )

## EXAMPLE SERIES #2

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$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow H) = (961 \text{ pb}) \times (\alpha_s^2 + 10.4\alpha_s^3 + 38\alpha_s^4 + 48\alpha_s^5 + \dots)$$

$$\alpha_s \equiv \alpha_s(M_H/2)$$

$$\sqrt{s_{pp}} = 13 \text{ TeV}$$

*Anastasiou et al., 1602.00695 (ggF, hEFT)*

**pp → H (via gluon fusion) is one of only two hadron-collider processes known at N3LO (the other is pp → H via weak-boson fusion)**

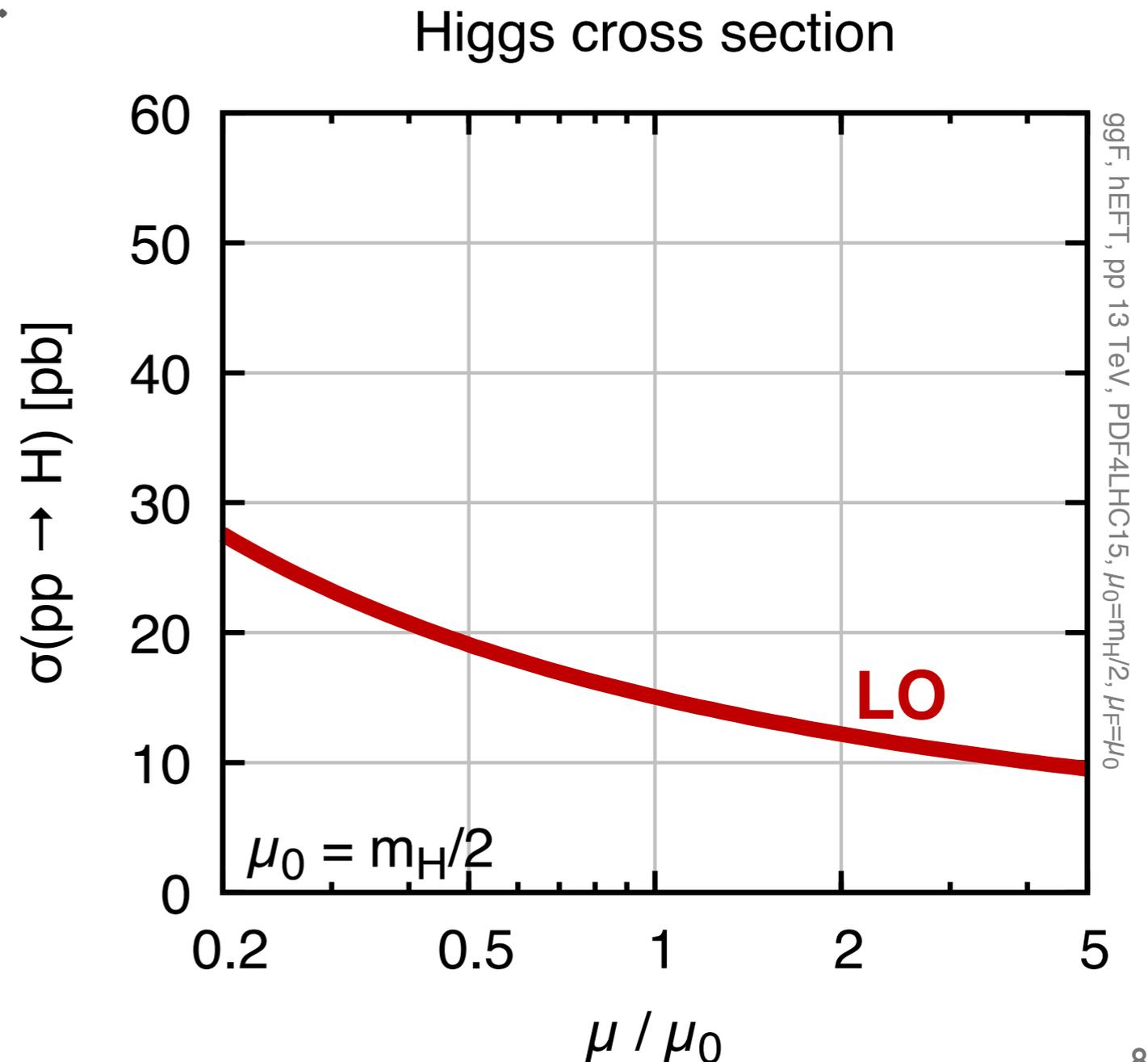
**The series does not converge well (explanations for why are only moderately convincing)**

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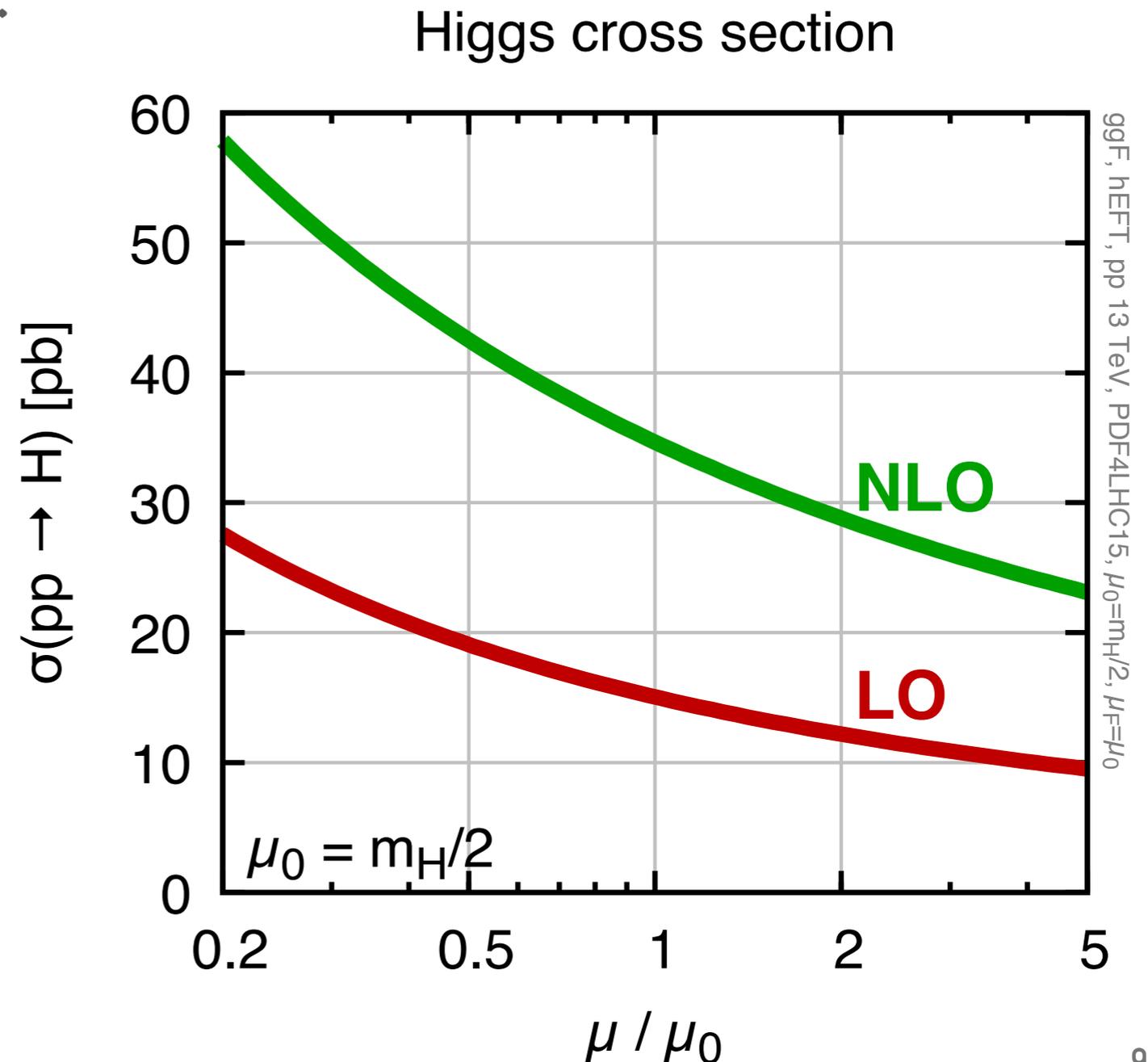


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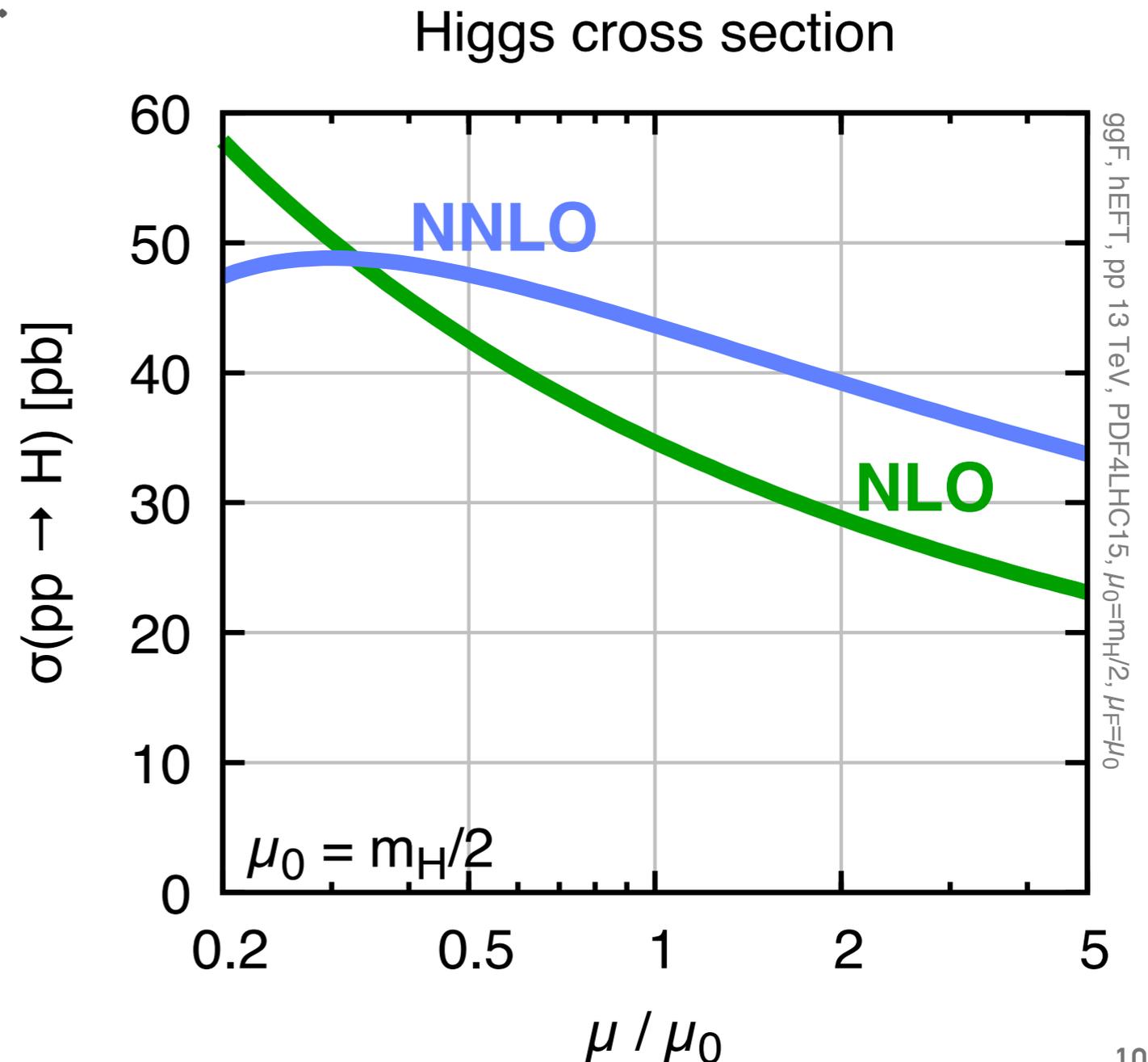


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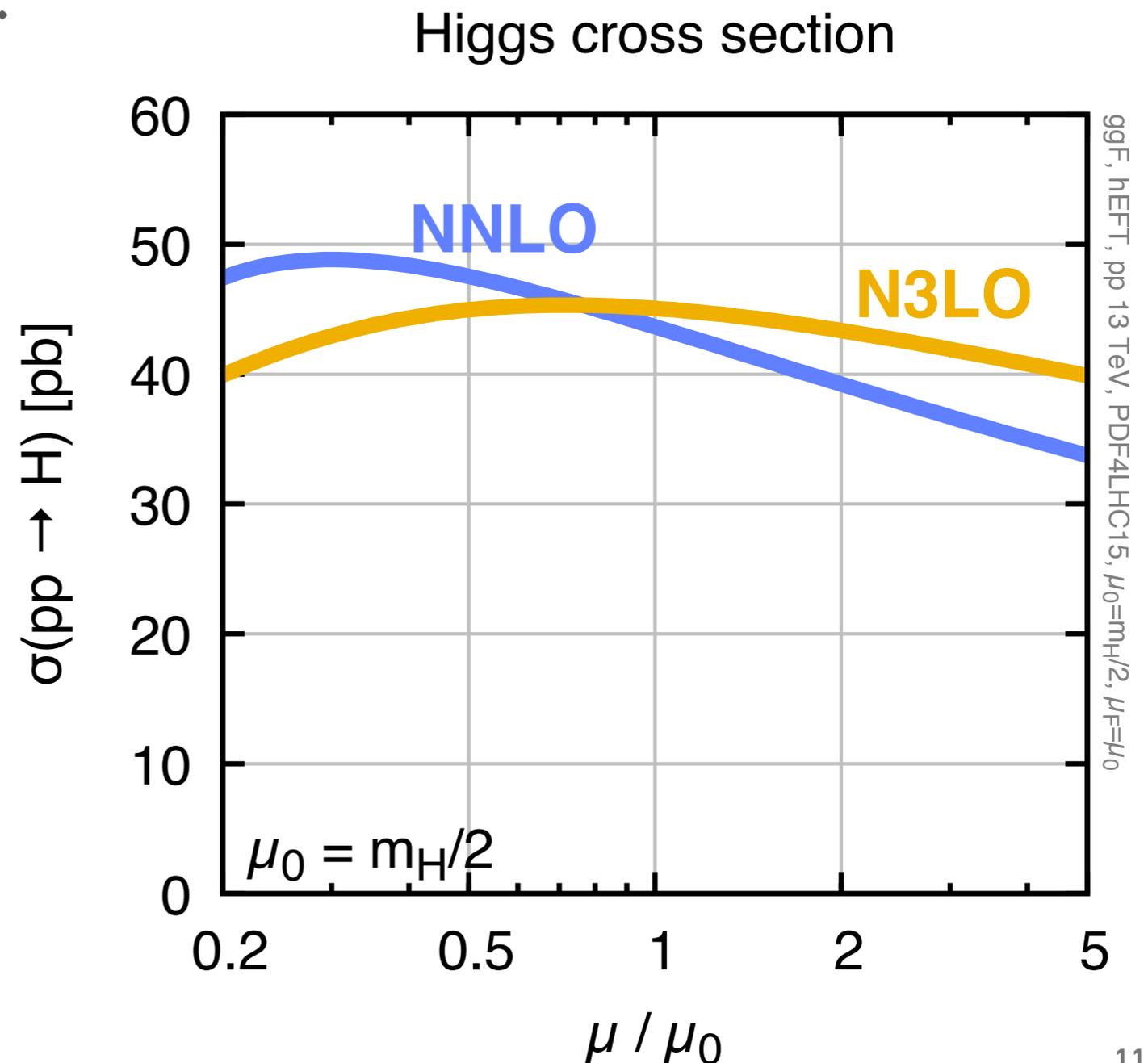


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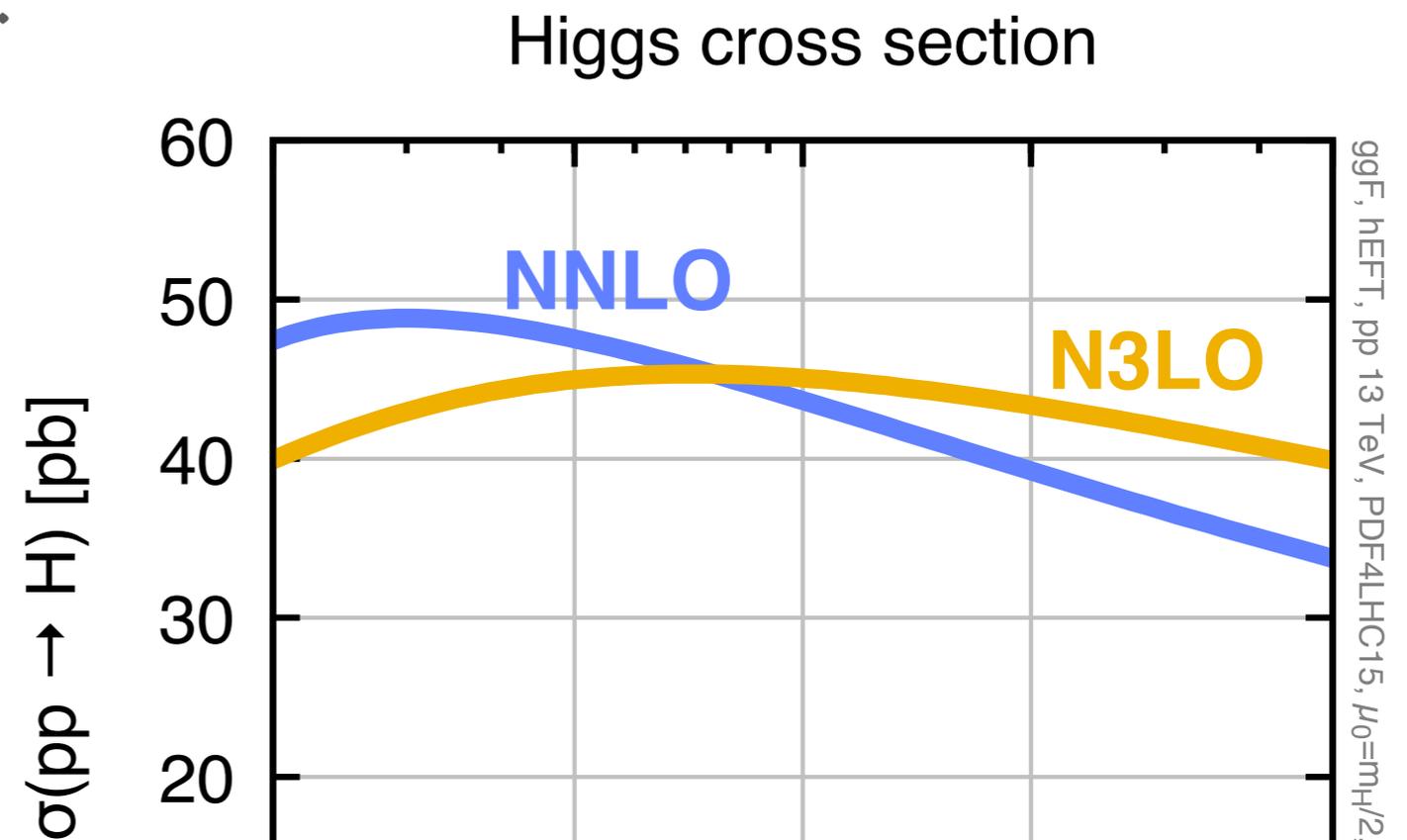


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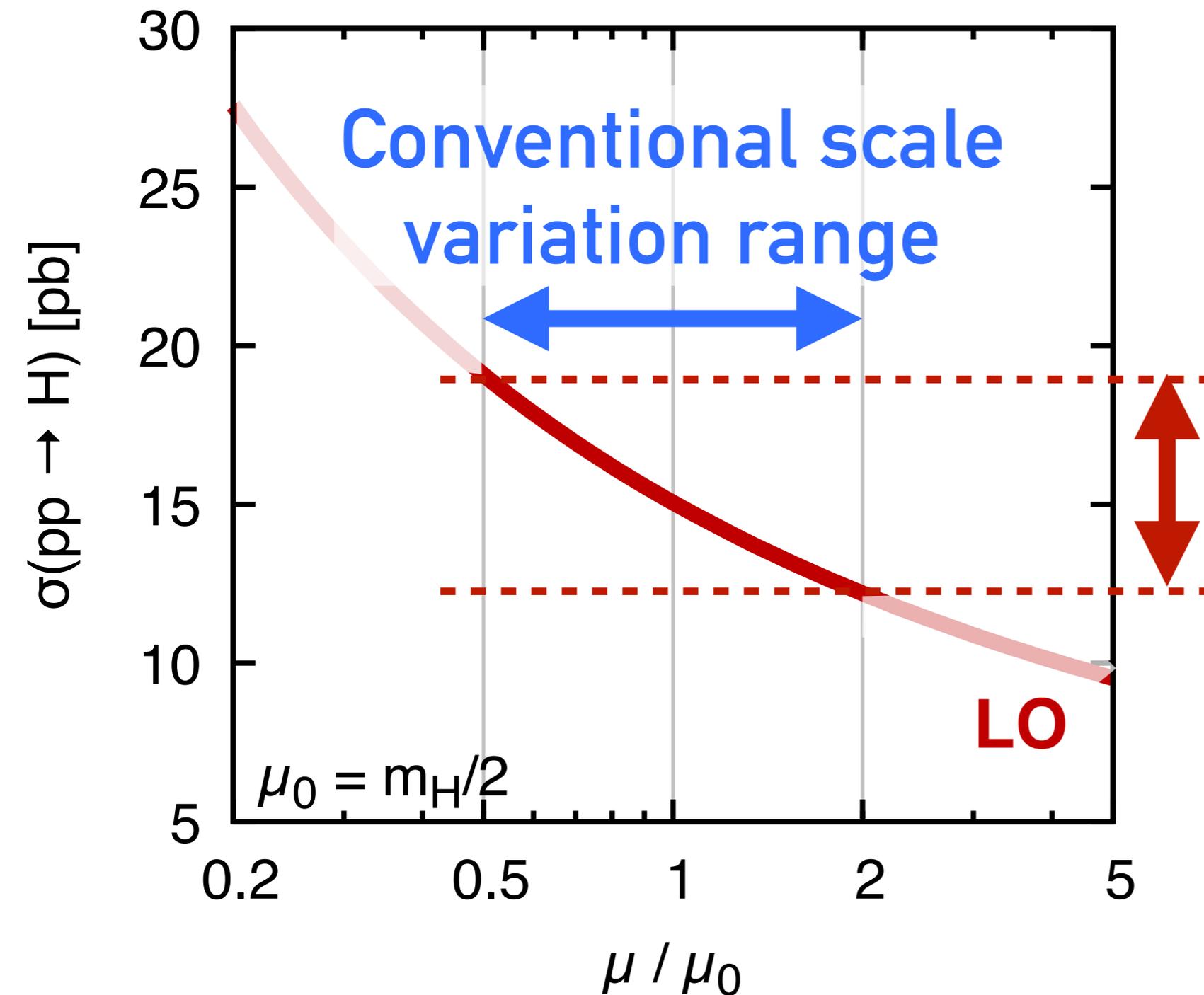
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scale dependence (an intrinsic uncertainty)  
gets reduced as you go to higher order

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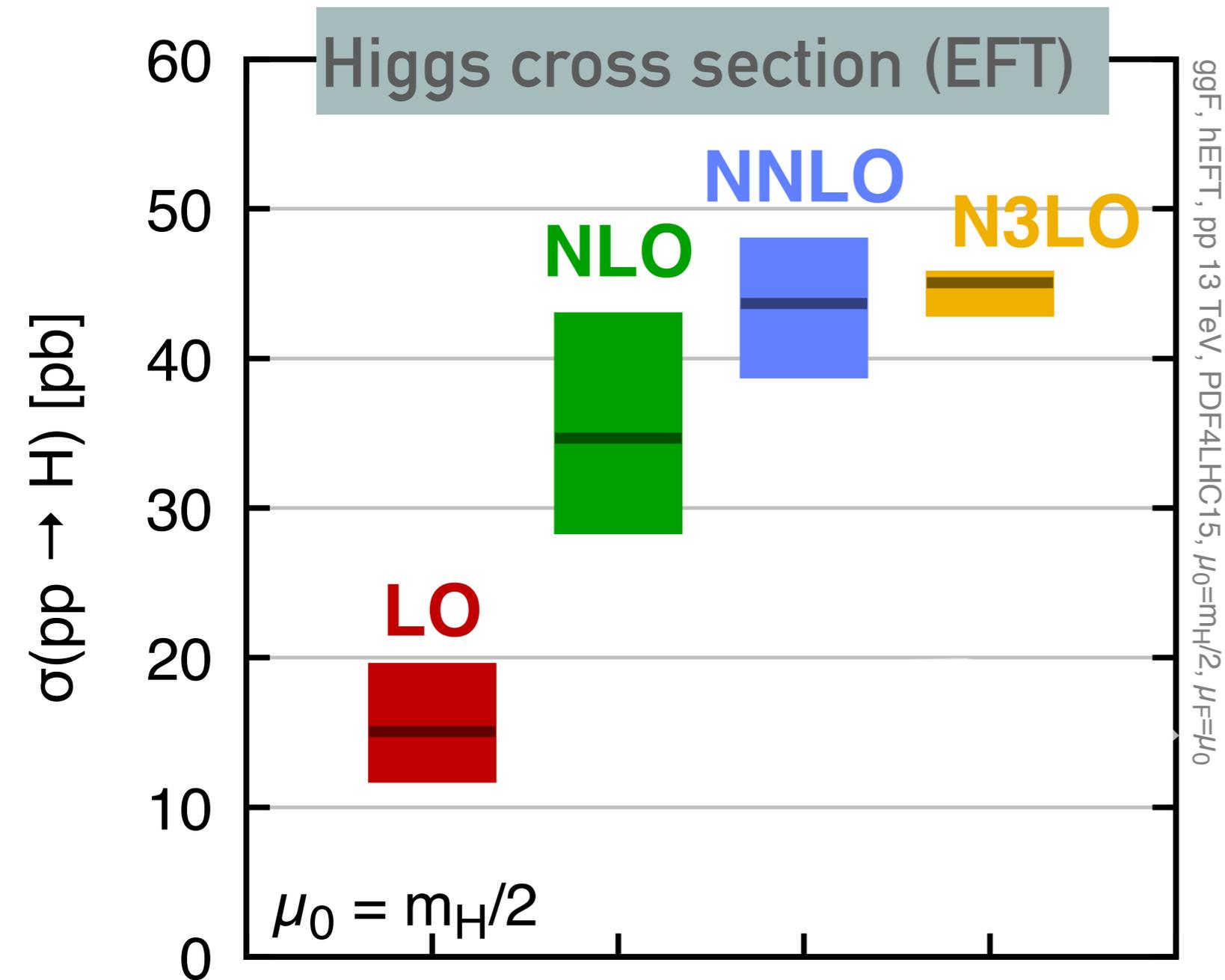


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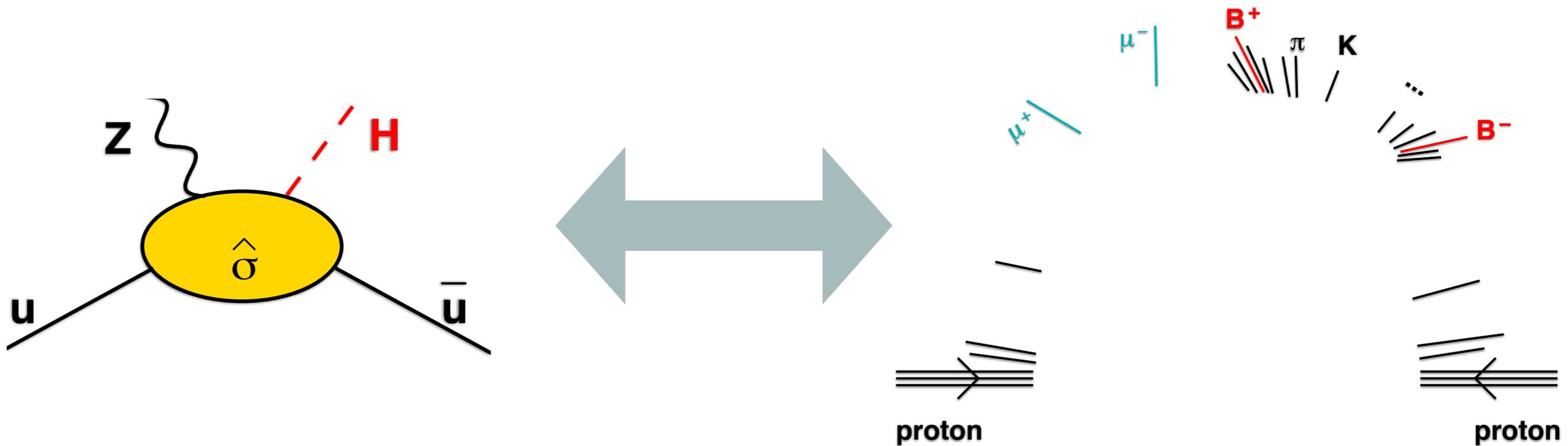
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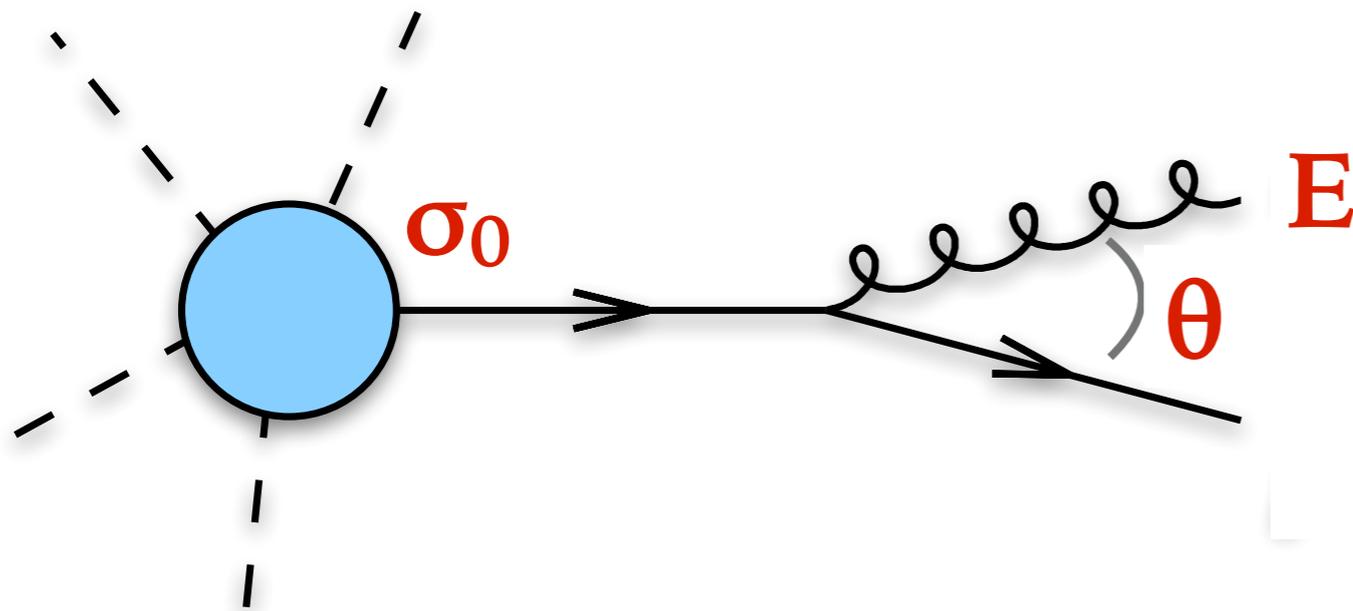
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- LO: almost any process *(with MadGraph, ALPGEN, etc.)*
- NLO: most processes *(with MCFM, NLOJet++, MG5\_aMC@NLO, Blackhat/NJet/Gosam/etc. + Sherpa)*
- NNLO: all  $2 \rightarrow 1$  and many  $2 \rightarrow 2$  (but not dijets)  
*(DY/HNNLO, FEWZ, MATRIX, MCFM & private codes)*
- N3LO:  $pp \rightarrow$  Higgs via gluon fusion and weak-boson fusion  
*both in approximations (EFT,  $QCD_1 \times QCD_2$ )*
- NLO EW corrections, i.e. relative  $\alpha_{EW}$  rather than  $\alpha_s$ :  
most  $2 \rightarrow 1$  and many  $2 \rightarrow 2$

# the real world?



# GLUON EMISSION FROM A QUARK



Consider an emission with

- energy  $E \ll \sqrt{s}$  (“soft”)
- angle  $\theta \ll 1$   
 (“collinear” wrt quark)

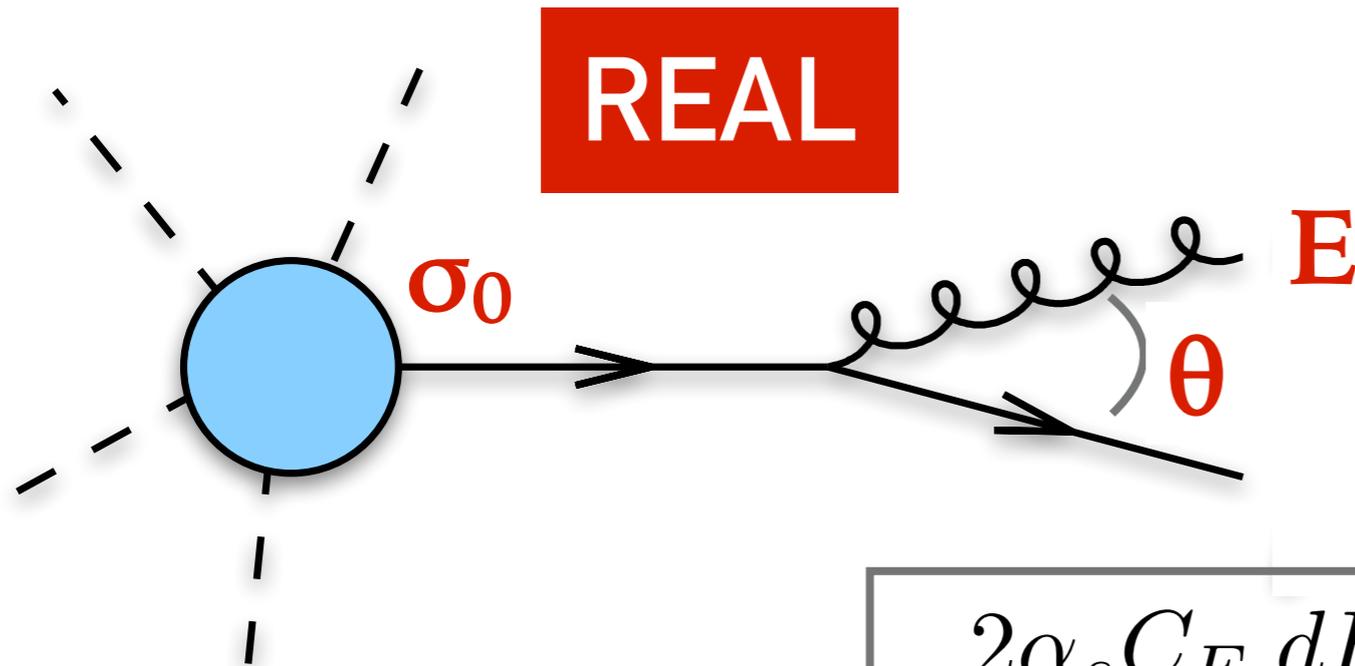
Examine correction to  
some hard process with  
cross section  $\sigma_0$

$$d\sigma \simeq \sigma_0 \times \frac{2\alpha_s C_F}{\pi} \frac{dE}{E} \frac{d\theta}{\theta}$$

**This has a divergence when  $E \rightarrow 0$  or  $\theta \rightarrow 0$**   
[in some sense because of quark propagator going on-shell]

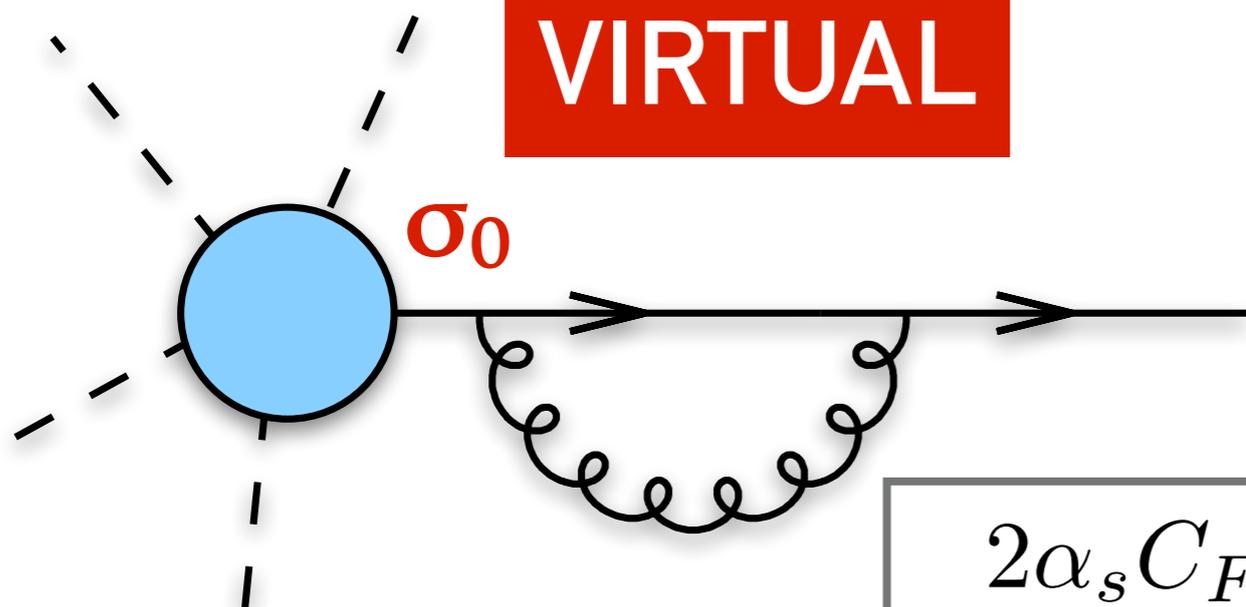
# How come we get finite cross sections?

**REAL**



$$+ \frac{2\alpha_s C_F}{\pi} \frac{dE}{E} \frac{d\theta}{\theta}$$

**VIRTUAL**



$$- \frac{2\alpha_s C_F}{\pi} \frac{dE}{E} \frac{d\theta}{\theta}$$

Divergences are present in both real and virtual diagrams.

If you are “**inclusive**”, i.e. your measurement doesn’t care whether a soft/collinear gluon has been emitted then the **real and virtual divergences cancel.**

Suppose we're not inclusive — e.g. calculate probability of emitting a gluon

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Probability  $P_g$  of emitting gluon from a quark with energy  $Q$ :

$$P_g \simeq \frac{2\alpha_s C_F}{\pi} \int^Q \frac{dE}{E} \int^1 \frac{d\theta}{\theta} \Theta(E\theta > Q_0)$$

This diverges unless we cut off the integral for transverse momenta ( $p_T \simeq E\theta$ ) below some non-perturbative threshold  $Q_0$ .

*On the grounds that perturbation theory doesn't apply for  $p_T \sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$  language of quarks and gluons becomes meaningless*

With this cutoff, the result is

$$P_g \simeq \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{\pi} \ln^2 \frac{Q}{Q_0} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s \ln Q)$$

**this is called a “double logarithm”**  
[it crops up all over the place in QCD]

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Suppose we take  $Q_0 \sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$ , what do we get?

*Let's use  $a_s = a_s(Q) = 1/(2b \ln Q/\Lambda)$*

*[Actually over most of integration range this is optimistically small]*

$$P_g \simeq \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{\pi} \ln^2 \frac{Q}{Q_0} \rightarrow \frac{C_F}{2b\pi} \ln \frac{Q}{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}} \rightarrow \frac{C_F}{4b^2\pi \alpha_s}$$

Put in some numbers:  $Q = 100 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \approx 0.2 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $C_F = 4/3$ ,  $b \approx 0.6$

$$P_g \simeq 2.2$$

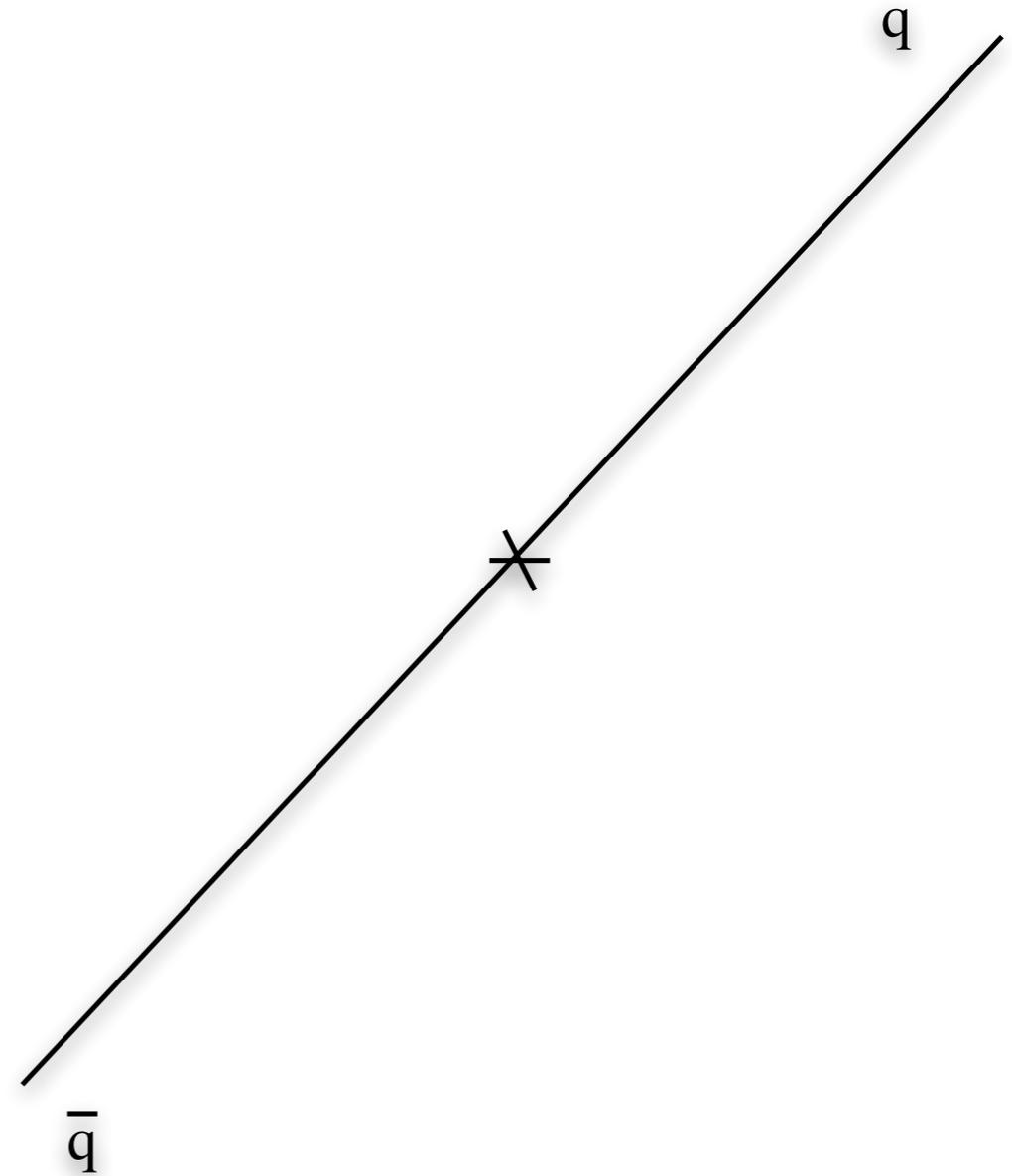
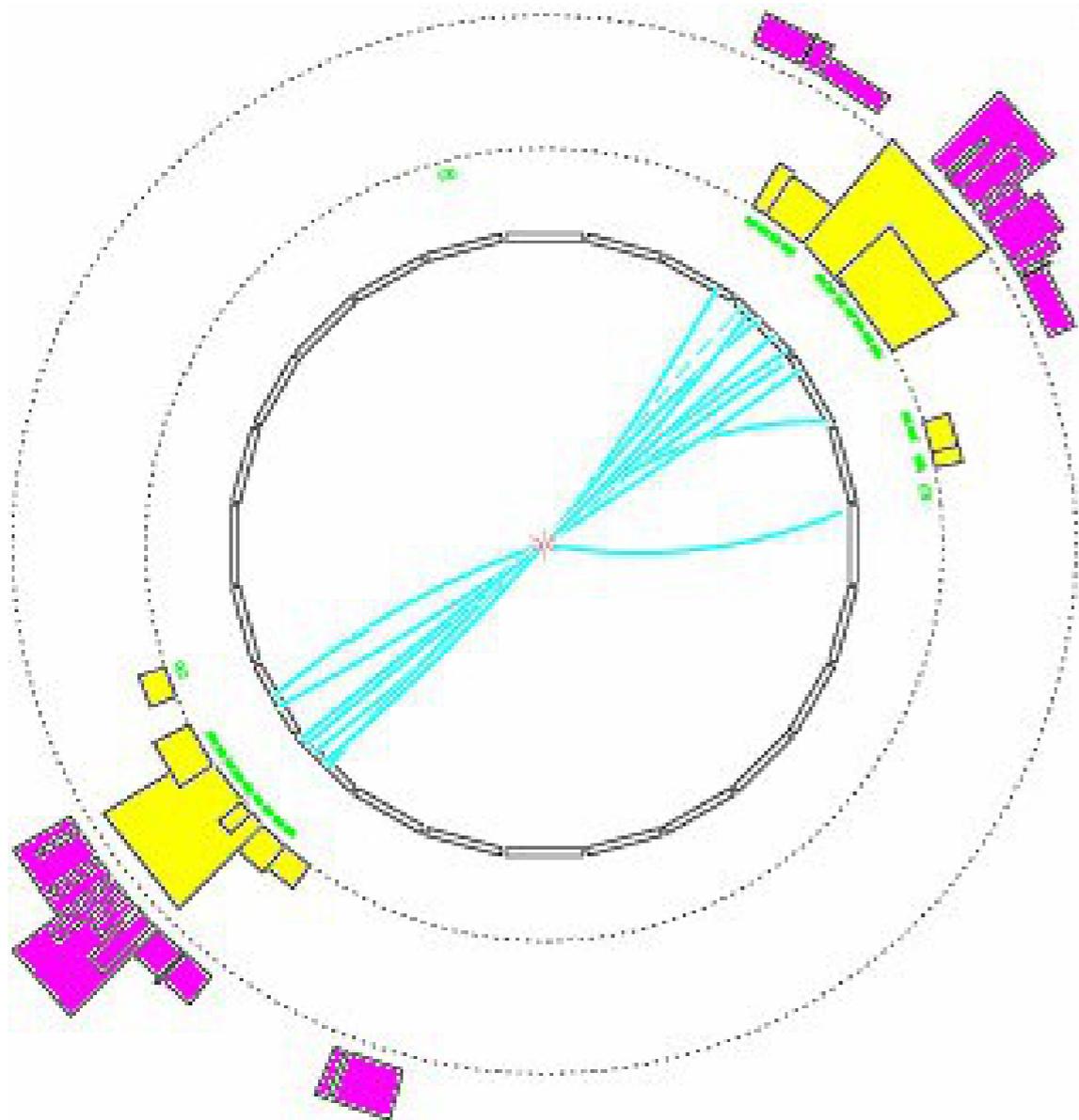
**This is supposed to be an  $O(\alpha_s)$  correction.**

**But the final result  $\sim 1/\alpha_s$**

**QCD hates to not emit gluons!**

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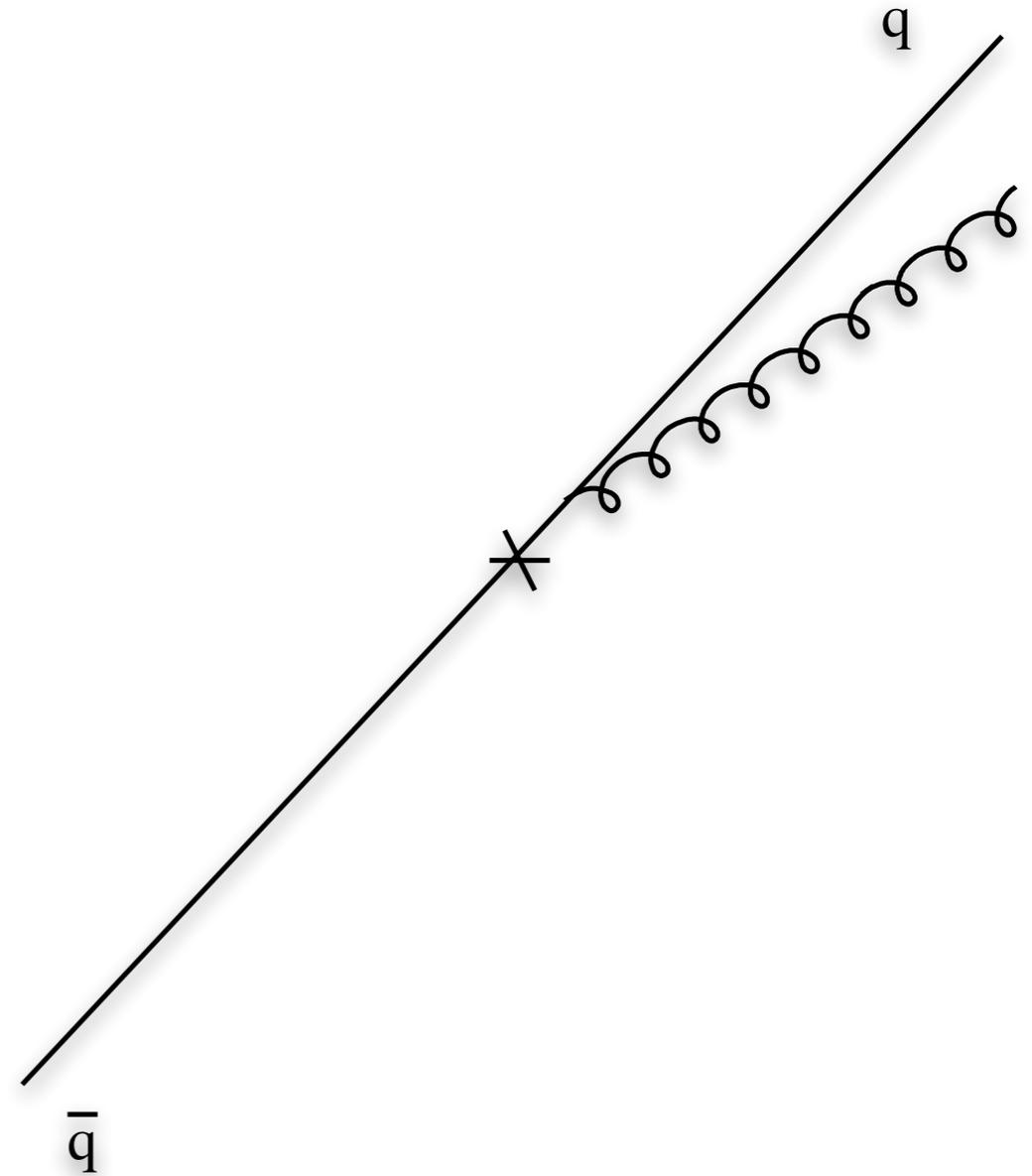
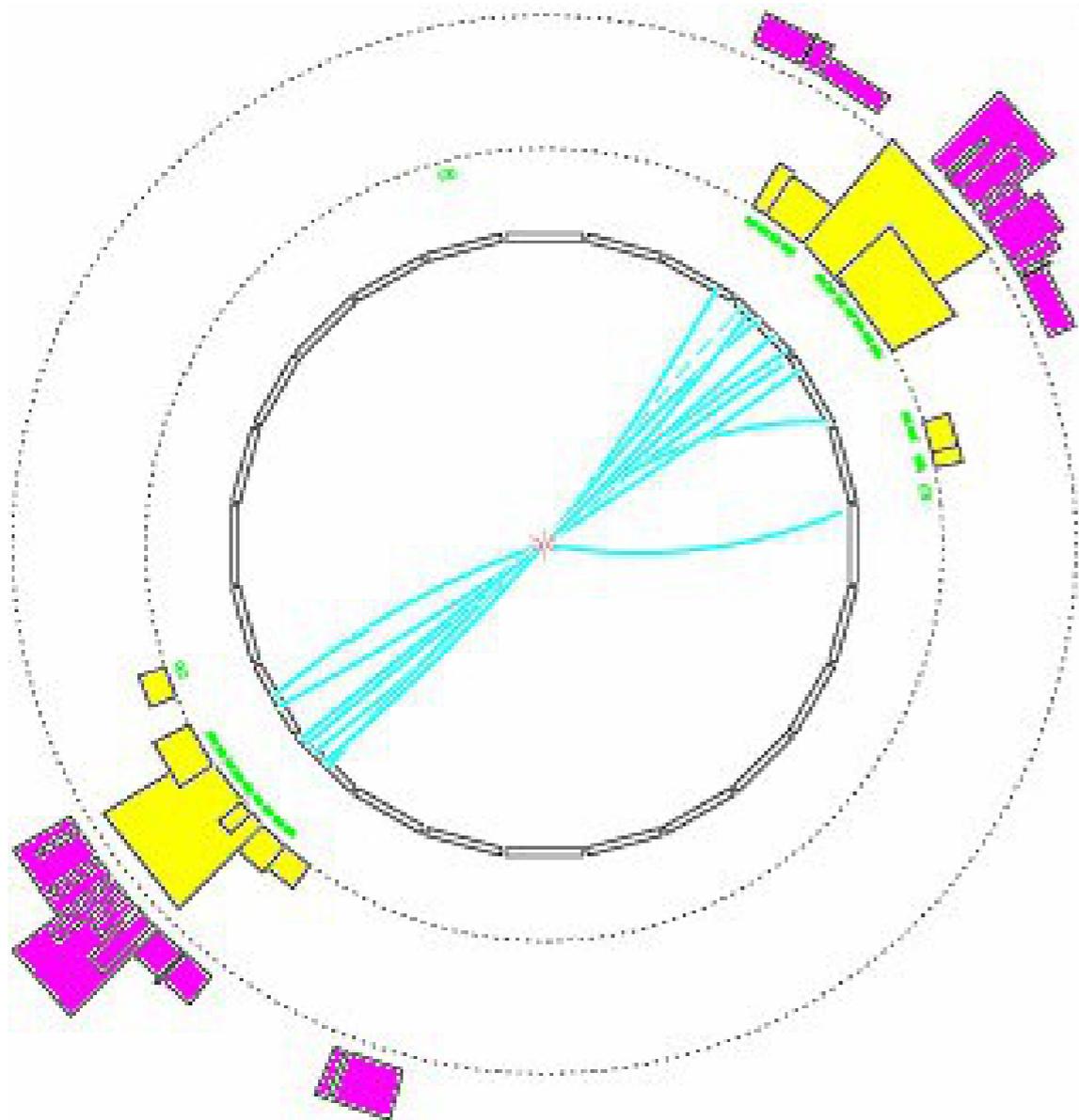
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**Start off with a qqbar system**

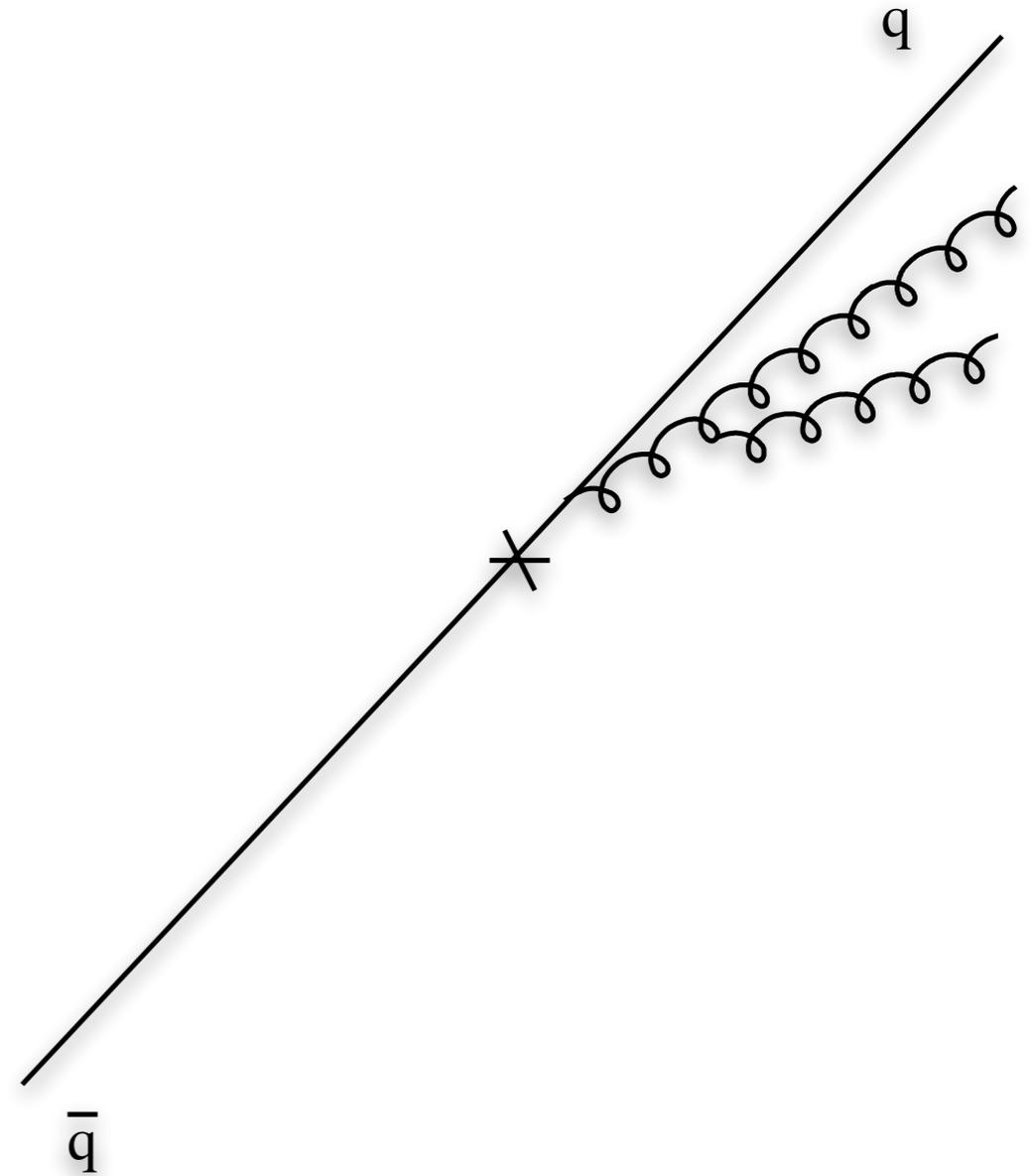
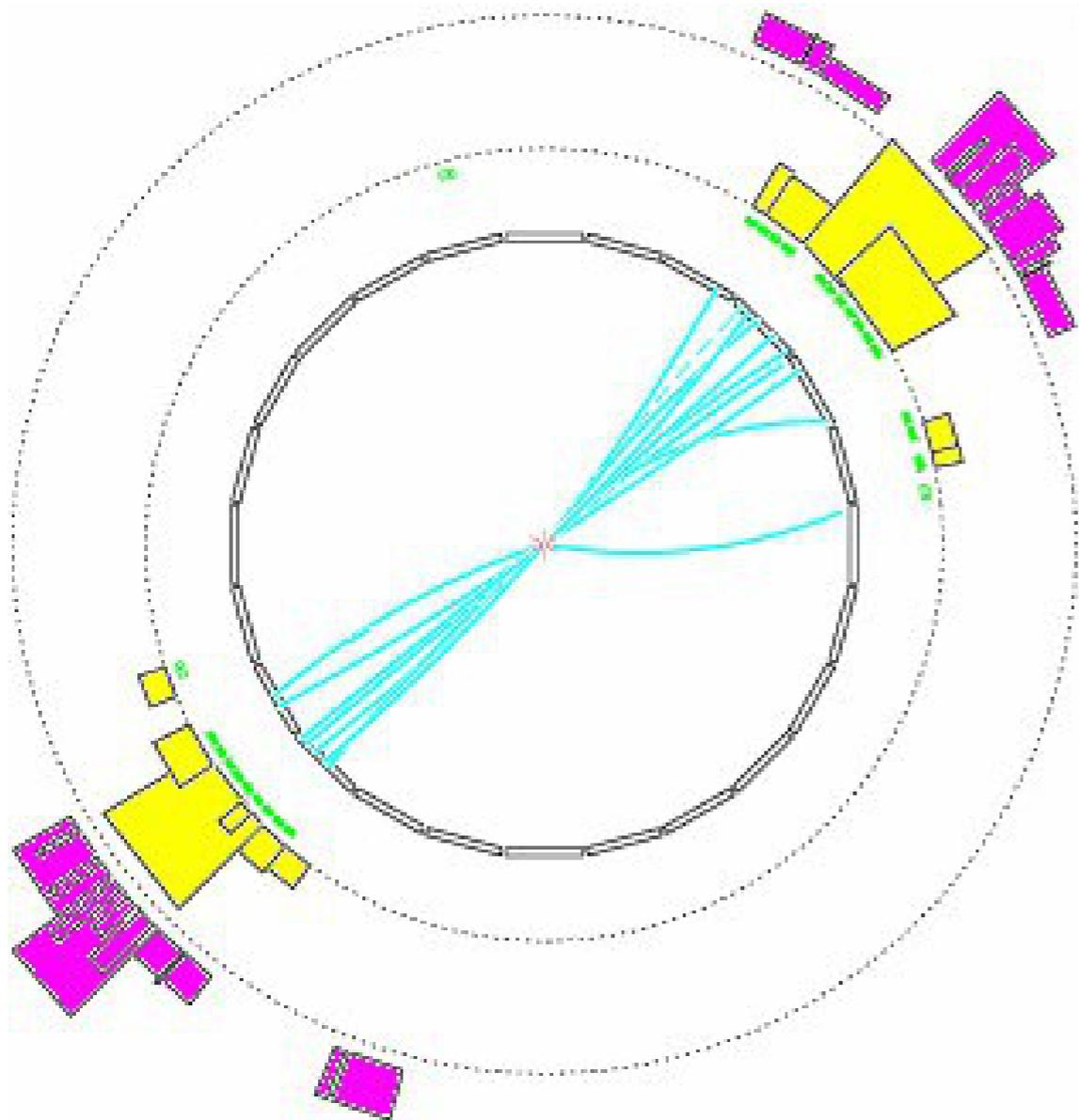
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**a gluon gets emitted at small angles**

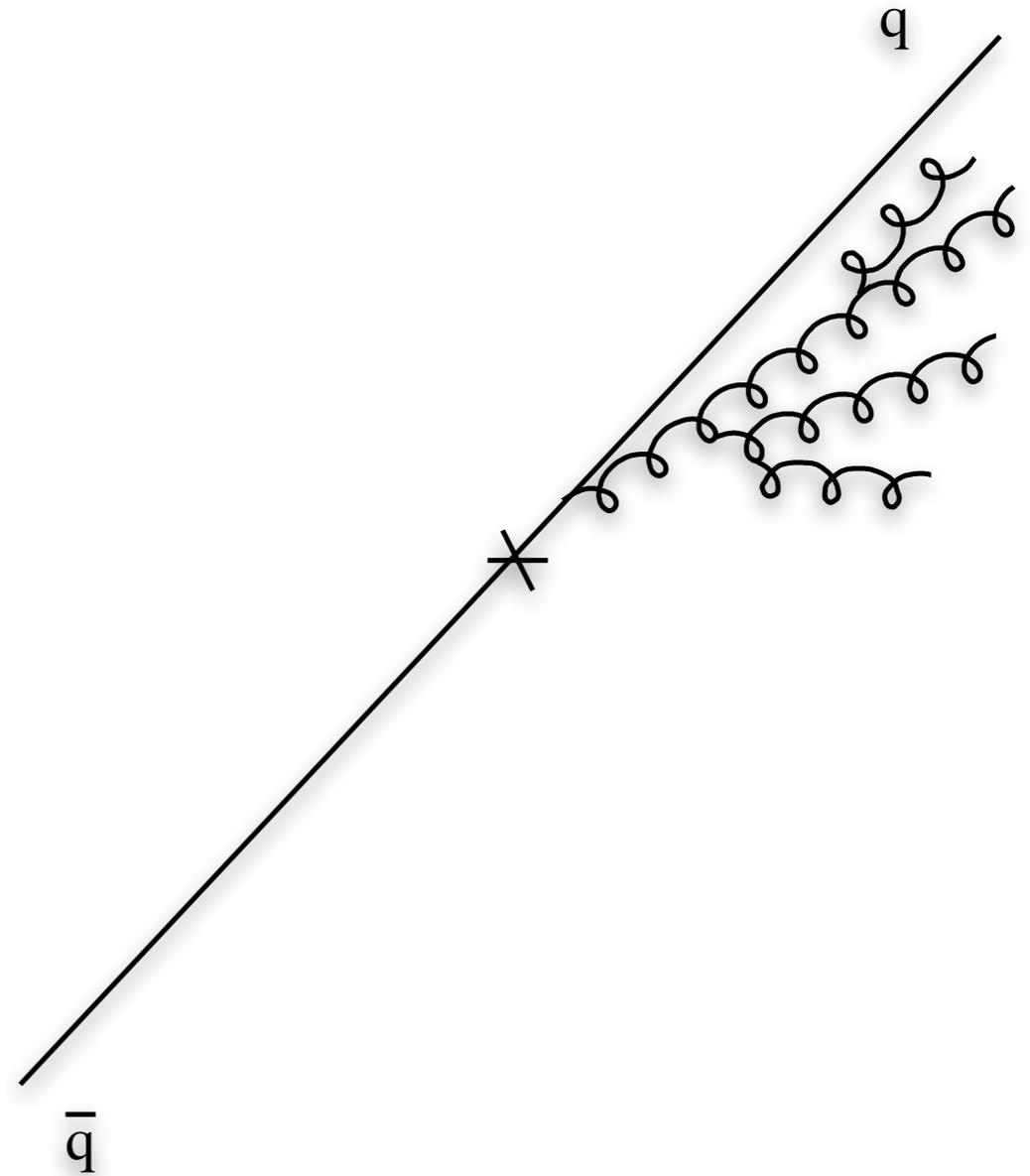
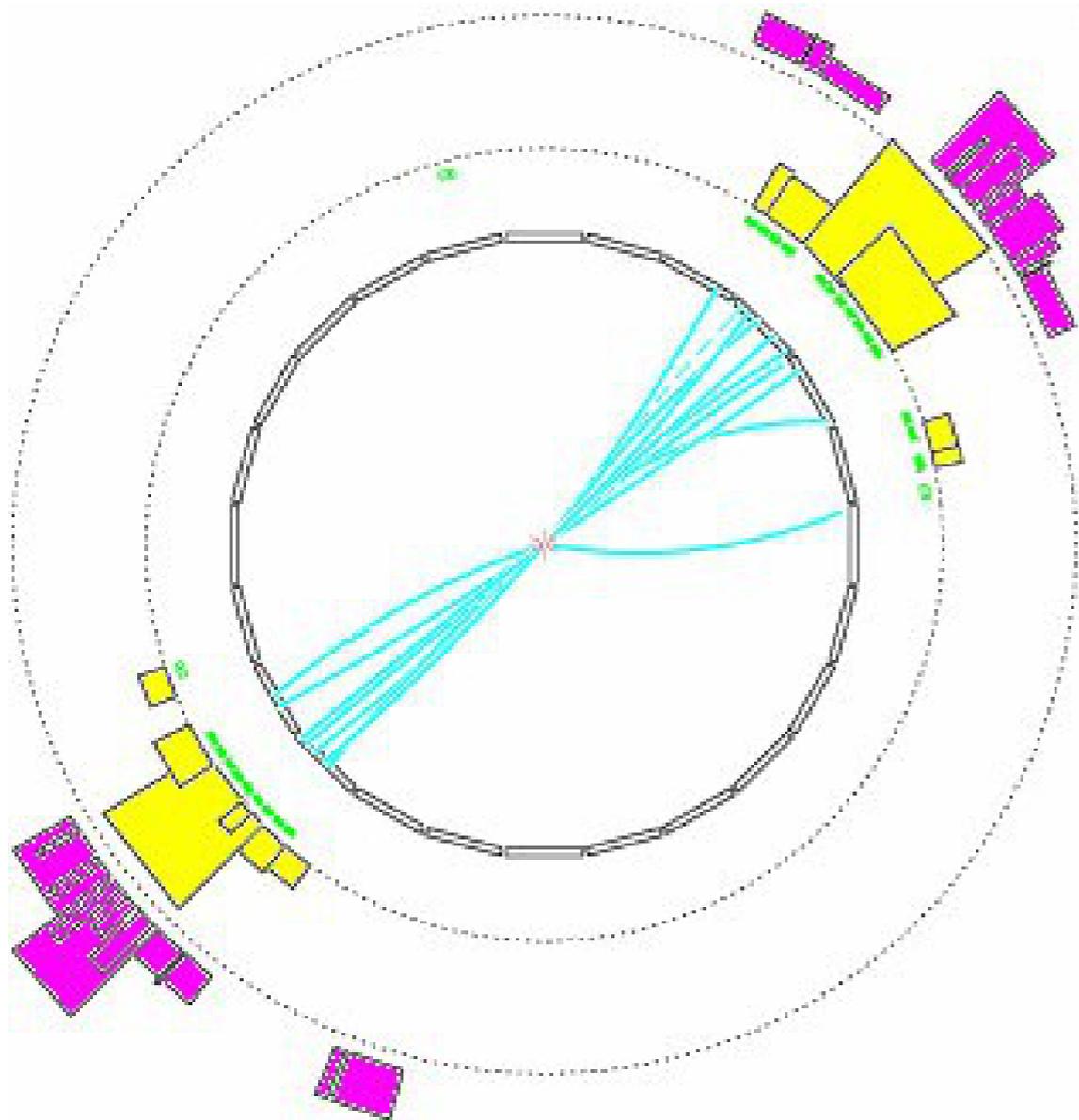
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it radiates a further gluon

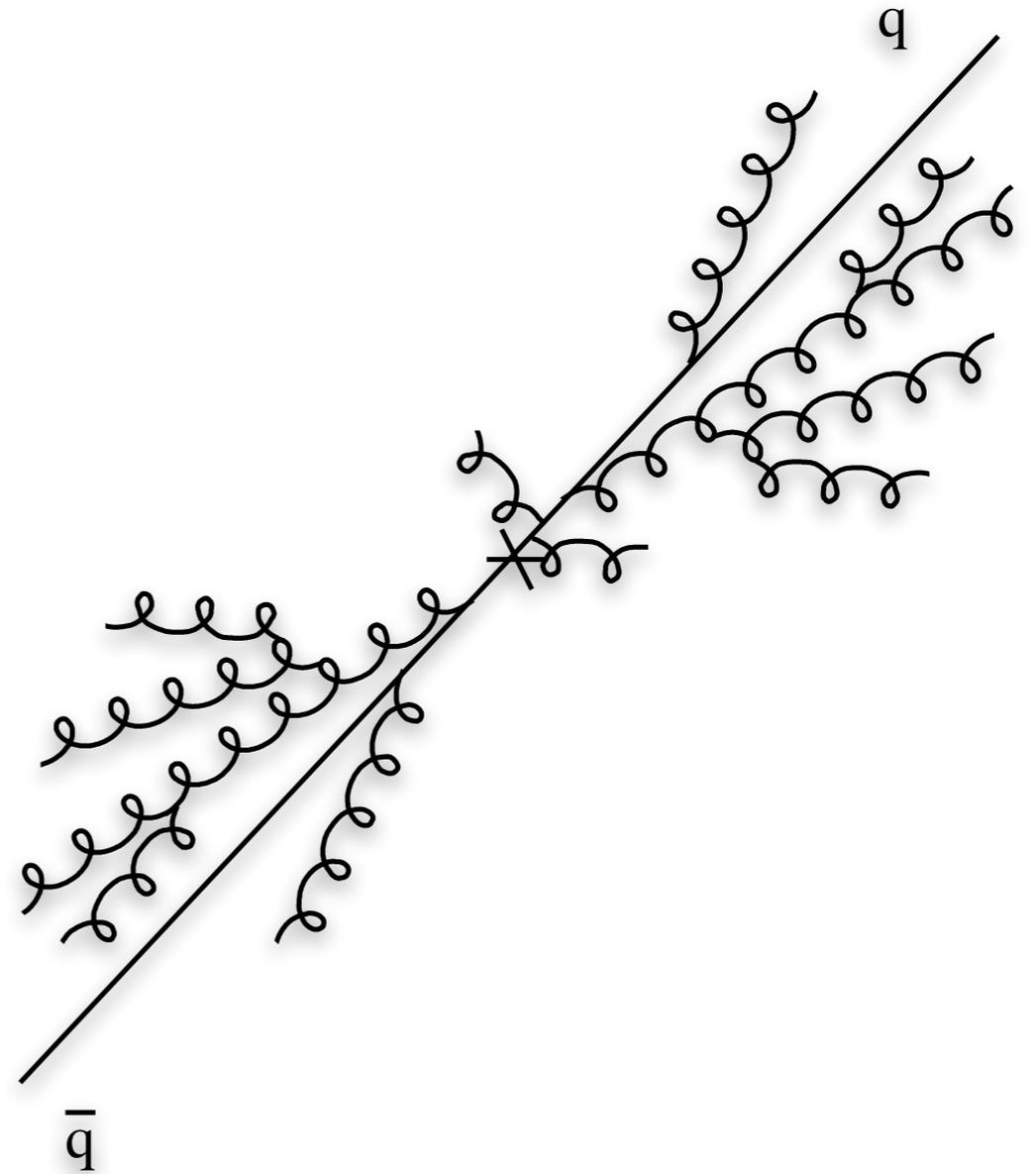
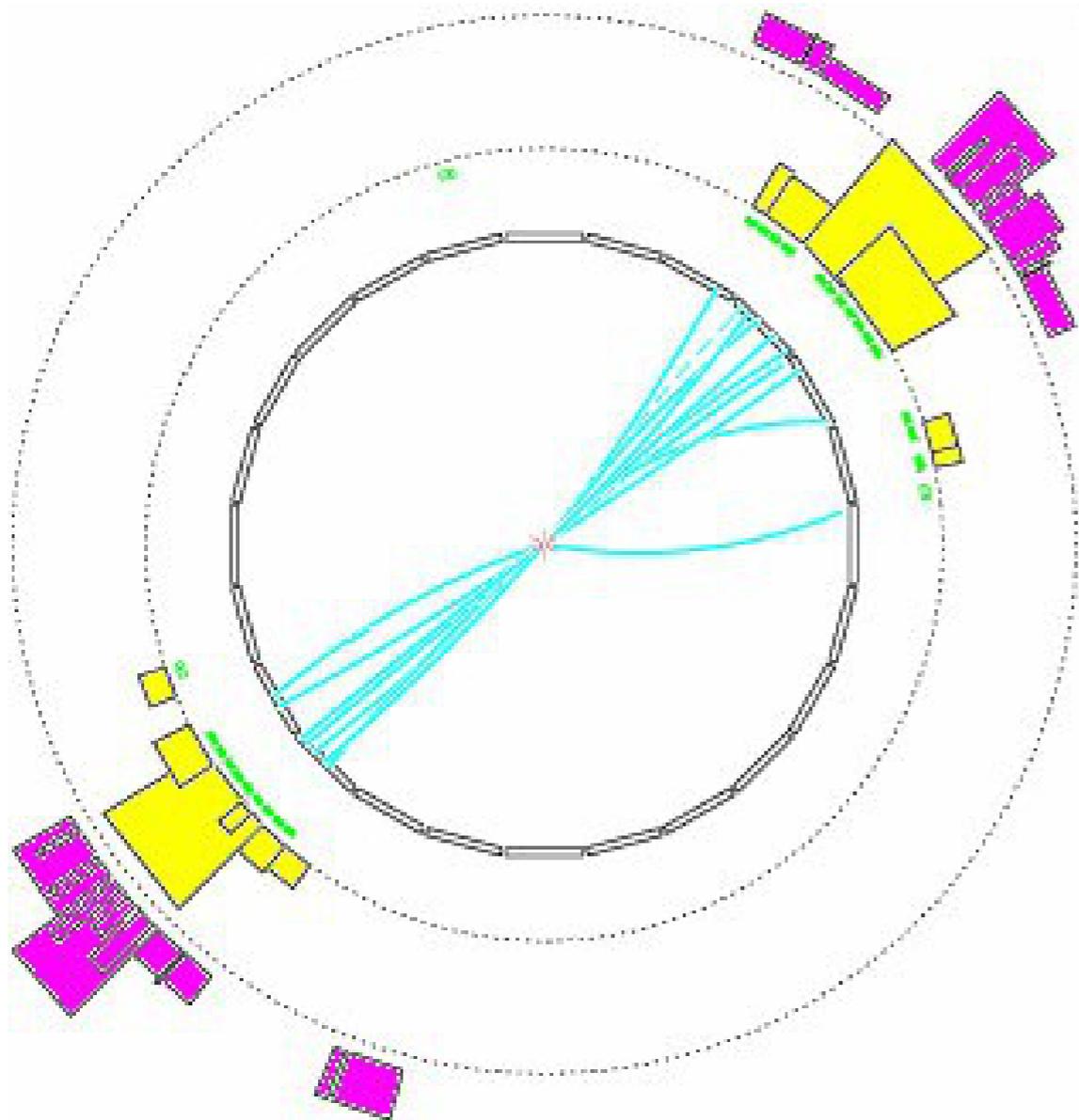
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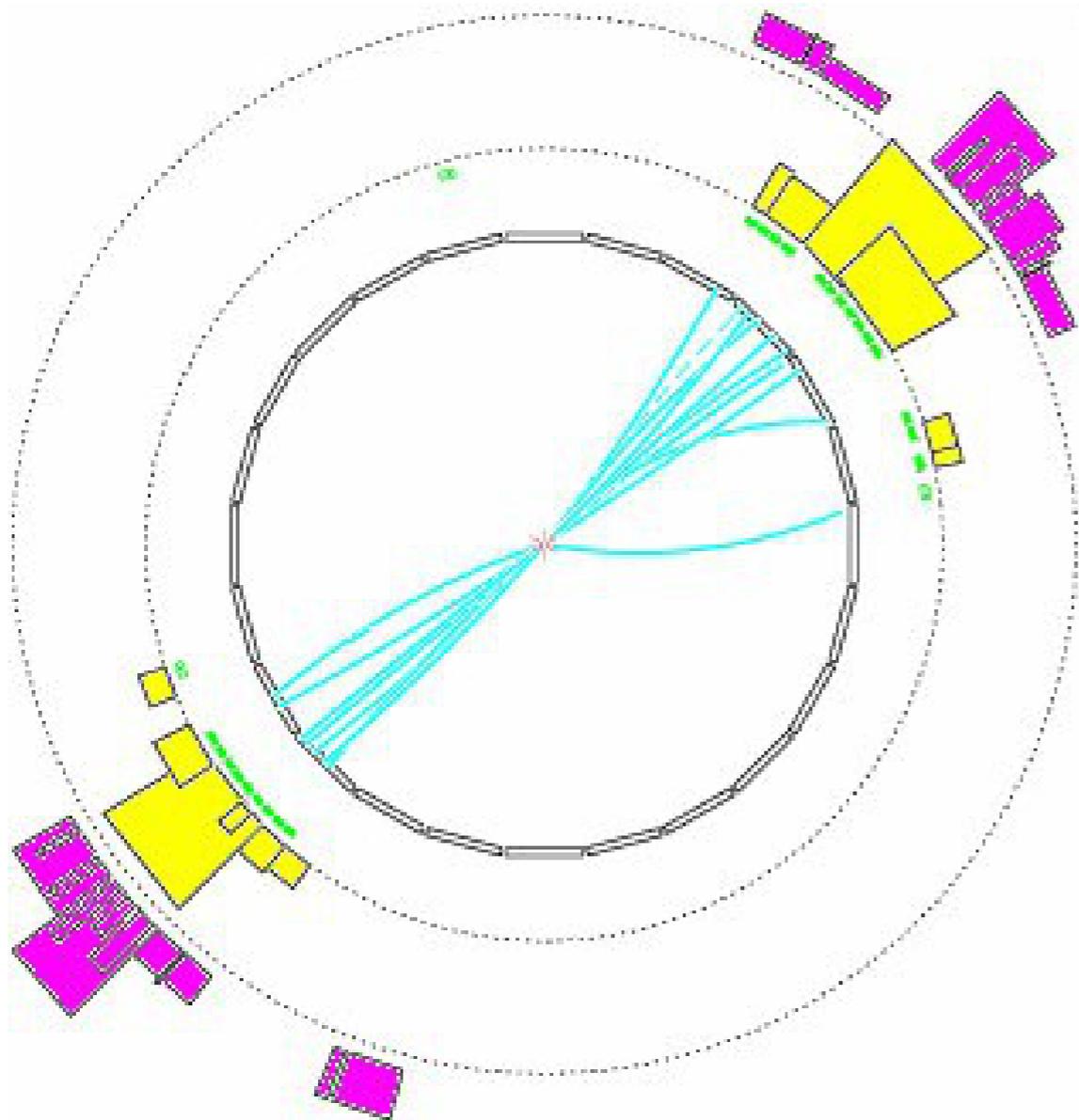
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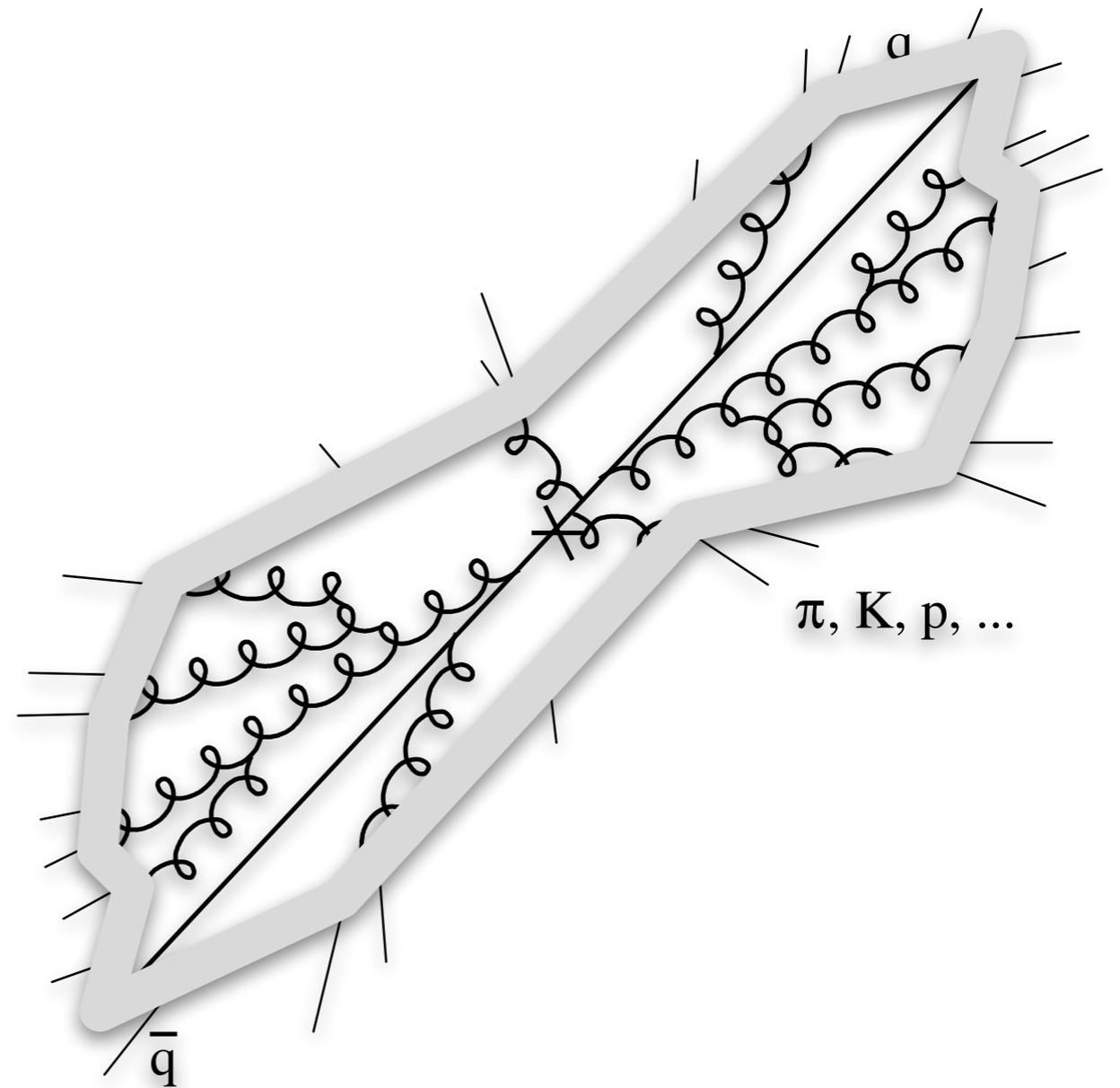
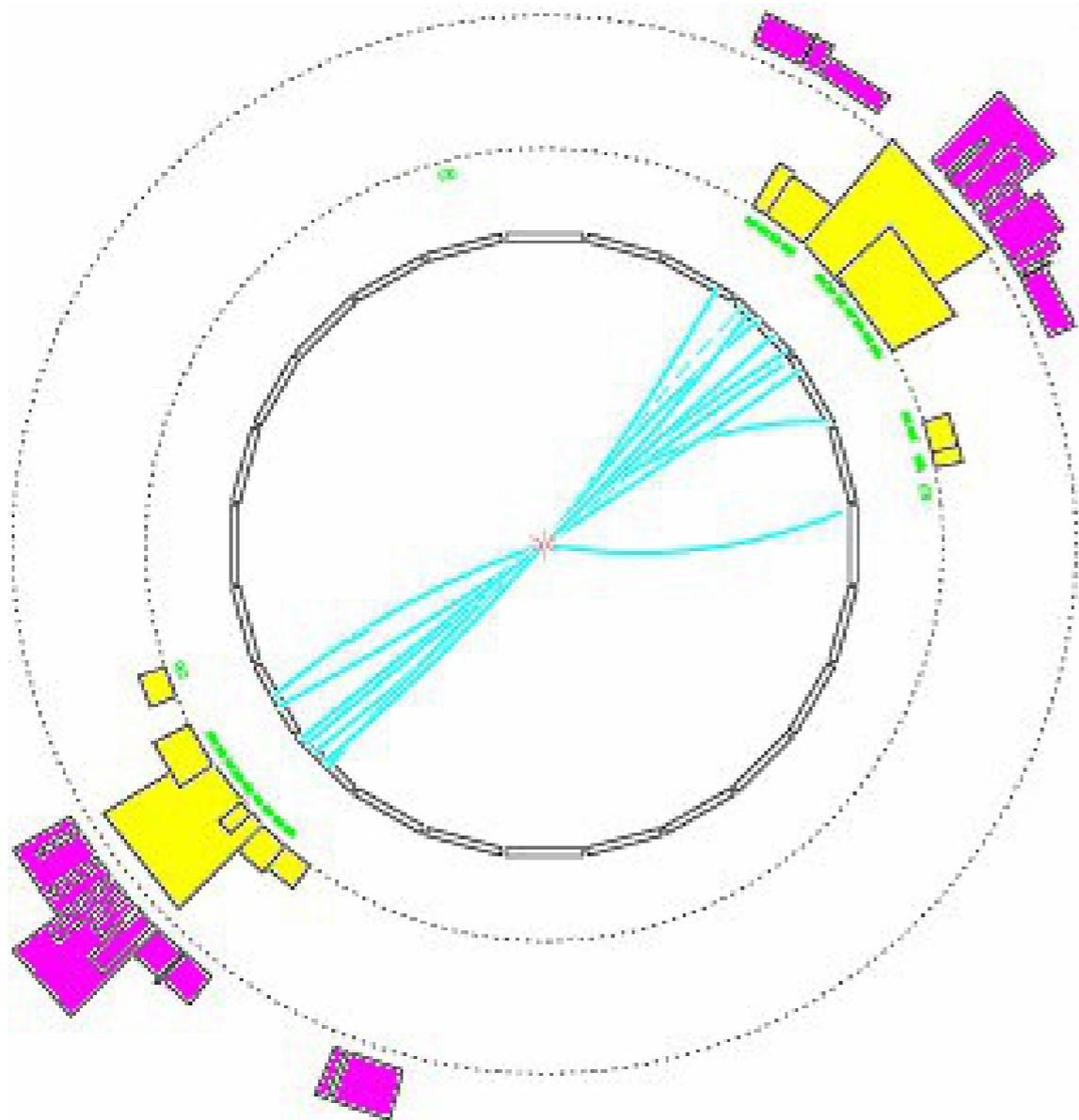
**meanwhile the same happened on the other side**

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**then a non-perturbative transition occurs**

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**giving a pattern of hadrons that “remembers” the gluon branching**  
(hadrons mostly produced at small angles wrt  $q\bar{q}$  directions — two “jets”)

# resummation and parton showers

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*the previous slides applied in practice*

# Resummation

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- It's common to ask questions like “*what is the probability that a Higgs boson is produced with transverse momentum  $< p_T$* ”
- Answer is given ( $\sim$ ) by a “**Sudakov form factor**”, i.e. the probability of not emitting any gluons with transverse momentum  $> p_T$ .

$$P(\text{Higgs trans.mom.} < p_T) \simeq \exp \left[ -\frac{2\alpha_s C_A}{\pi} \ln^2 \frac{M_H}{p_T} \right]$$

- when  $p_T$  is small, the logarithm is large and compensates for the smallness of  $\alpha_s$  — so you need to **resum log-enhanced terms to all orders in  $\alpha_s$** .

# What do we know about resummation?

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- You'll sometimes see mention of “NNLL” or similar
- This means next-next-to-leading logarithmic
- Leading logarithmic (LL) means you sum all terms with  $p=n+1$  (for  $n=1\dots\infty$ ) in

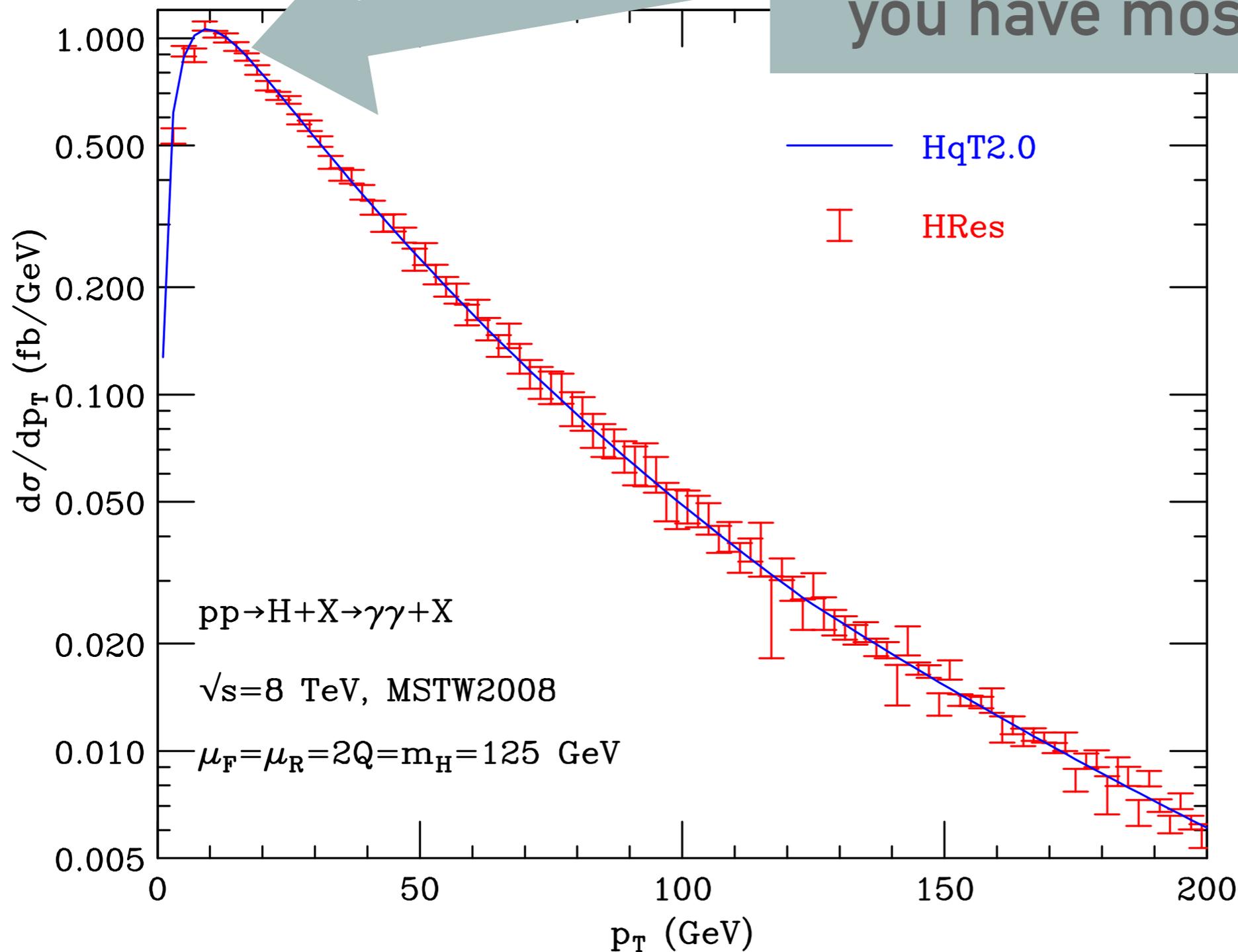
$$\exp \left[ - \sum_{n,p} \alpha_s^n \ln^p \frac{M_H}{p_T} \right]$$

- NLL: all terms with  $p=n$  (for  $n=1\dots\infty$ )
- NNLL: all terms with  $p=n-1$  (for  $n=1\dots\infty$ )

*In real life, the function that appears in the resummation is sometimes instead a Fourier or Mellin transform of an exponential*

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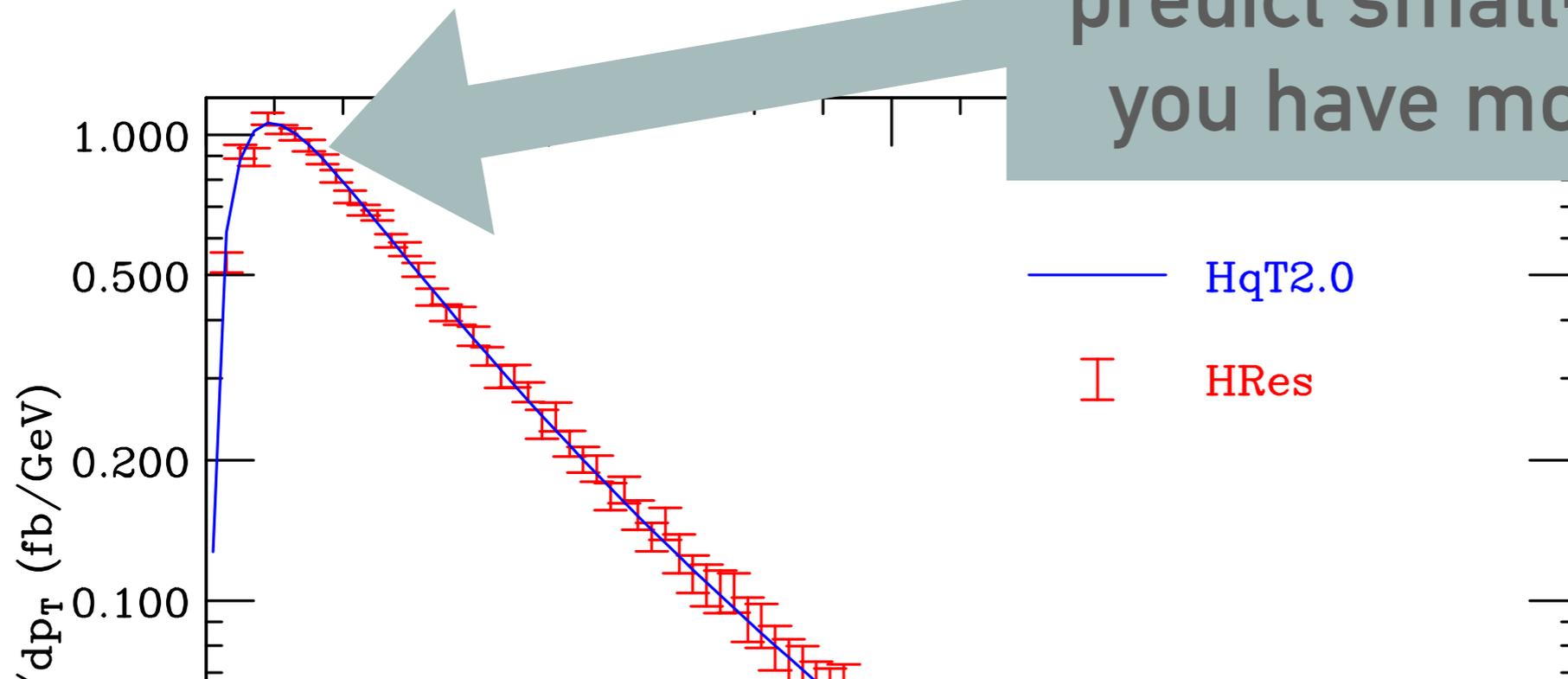
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*de Florian et al  
1203.6321*

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This is resummation of a kinematic variable — can usually be made robust by examining region with  $p_T \ll m_H$

Another kind of resummation is **threshold resummation**, of logs of  $\tau = (1 - M^2/s)$ . For many applications (ttbar, Higgs) it's debated whether  $\tau$  is small enough for resummation to bring genuine information

## resummation v. parton showers (the basic idea)

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- a resummation predicts **one observable** to high accuracy
- a parton shower takes the same idea of a Sudakov form factor and uses it to generate emissions
- from probability of not emitting gluons above a certain  $p_T$ , you can deduce  $p_T$  distribution of first emission

1. use a random number generator ( $r$ ) to sample that  $p_T$  distribution

deduce  $p_T$  by solving  $r = \exp \left[ -\frac{2\alpha_s C_A}{\pi} \ln^2 \frac{p_{T,\max}^2}{p_T^2} \right]$

2. repeat for next emission, etc., until  $p_T$  falls below some non-perturbative cutoff

**very similar to radioactive decay, with time  $\sim 1/p_T$   
and a decay rate  $\sim p_T \log 1/p_T$**

# A toy shower

<https://github.com/gavinsalam/zuoz2016-toy-shower>

(fixed coupling, primary branching only, only  $p_T$ , no energy conservation, no PDFs, etc.)

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#!/usr/bin/env python
# an oversimplified (QED-like) parton shower
# for Zuoz lectures (2016) by Gavin P. Salam
from random import random
from math import pi, exp, log, sqrt

ptHigh = 100.0
ptCut = 1.0
alphas = 0.12
CA=3

def main():
    for iev in range(0,10):
        print "\nEvent", iev
        event()

def event():
    # start with maximum possible value of Sudakov
    sudakov = 1
    while (True):
        # scale it by a random number
        sudakov *= random()
        # deduce the corresponding pt
        pt = ptFromSudakov(sudakov)
        # if pt falls below the cutoff, event is finished
        if (pt < ptCut): break
        print " primary emission with pt = ", pt

def ptFromSudakov(sudakovValue):
    """Returns the pt value that solves the relation
       Sudakov = sudakovValue (for 0 < sudakovValue < 1)
    """
    norm = (2*CA/pi)
    # r = Sudakov = exp(-alphas * norm * L^2)
    # --> log(r) = -alphas * norm * L^2
    # --> L^2 = log(r)/(-alphas*norm)
    L2 = log(sudakovValue)/(-alphas * norm)
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alphas = 0.12
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    """
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Event 4
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    primary emission with pt = 4.01438733798
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**Exercise: replace  $C_A=3$  (emission from gluons)  
with  $C_F=4/3$  (emission from quarks)  
and see how pattern of emissions changes  
(multiplicity,  $p_T$  of hardest emission, etc.)**

# A real-world shower (Herwig)

---PARTON SHOWERS---

IHEP	ID	IDPDG	IST	MO1	MO2	DA1	DA2	P-X	P-Y	P-Z	ENERGY	MASS
9	UQRK	94	141	4	6	11	16	2.64	-9.83	592.2	590.2	-49.07
10	CONE	0	100	4	5	0	0	-0.27	0.96	0.1	1.0	0.00
11	GLUON	21	2	9	12	32	33	-1.02	3.59	5.6	6.7	0.75-
12	GLUON	21	2	9	13	34	35	0.25	1.46	3.6	4.0	0.75-
13	GLUON	21	2	9	14	36	37	-0.87	1.62	4.7	5.1	0.75-
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16	UD	2101	2	9	25	42	41	0.00	0.00	1054.6	1054.6	0.32-
17	GLUON	94	142	5	6	19	21	-2.23	0.44	-233.5	232.8	-18.36
18	CONE	0	100	5	8	0	0	0.77	0.64	0.2	1.0	0.00
19	GLUON	21	2	17	20	43	44	1.60	0.58	-2.1	2.8	0.75
20	UD	2101	2	17	21	45	44	0.00	0.00	-2687.6	2687.6	0.32
21	UQRK	2	2	17	32	46	45	0.63	-1.02	-4076.9	4076.9	0.32
22	Z0/GAMA*	23	195	7	22	251	252	-257.66	-219.68	324.8	477.5	88.56
23	UQRK	94	144	8	6	25	31	258.06	210.29	33.9	345.5	86.10
24	CONE	0	100	8	5	0	0	0.21	0.17	-1.0	1.0	0.00
25	UQRK	2	2	23	26	47	42	26.82	24.33	23.7	43.3	0.32
26	GLUON	21	2	23	27	48	49	8.50	8.18	6.0	13.3	0.75
27	GLUON	21	2	23	28	50	51	73.27	61.24	12.0	96.2	0.75
28	GLUON	21	2	23	29	52	53	73.66	58.54	-6.3	94.3	0.75
29	GLUON	21	2	23	30	54	55	67.58	52.13	-7.3	85.7	0.75
30	GLUON	21	2	23	31	56	57	6.98	4.60	2.3	8.7	0.75
31	GLUON	21	2	23	43	58	59	1.24	1.26	3.6	4.1	0.75

**INITIAL  
STATE  
SHOWER**

**FINAL  
STATE  
SHOWER**

# real-world Monte Carlo parton shower programs

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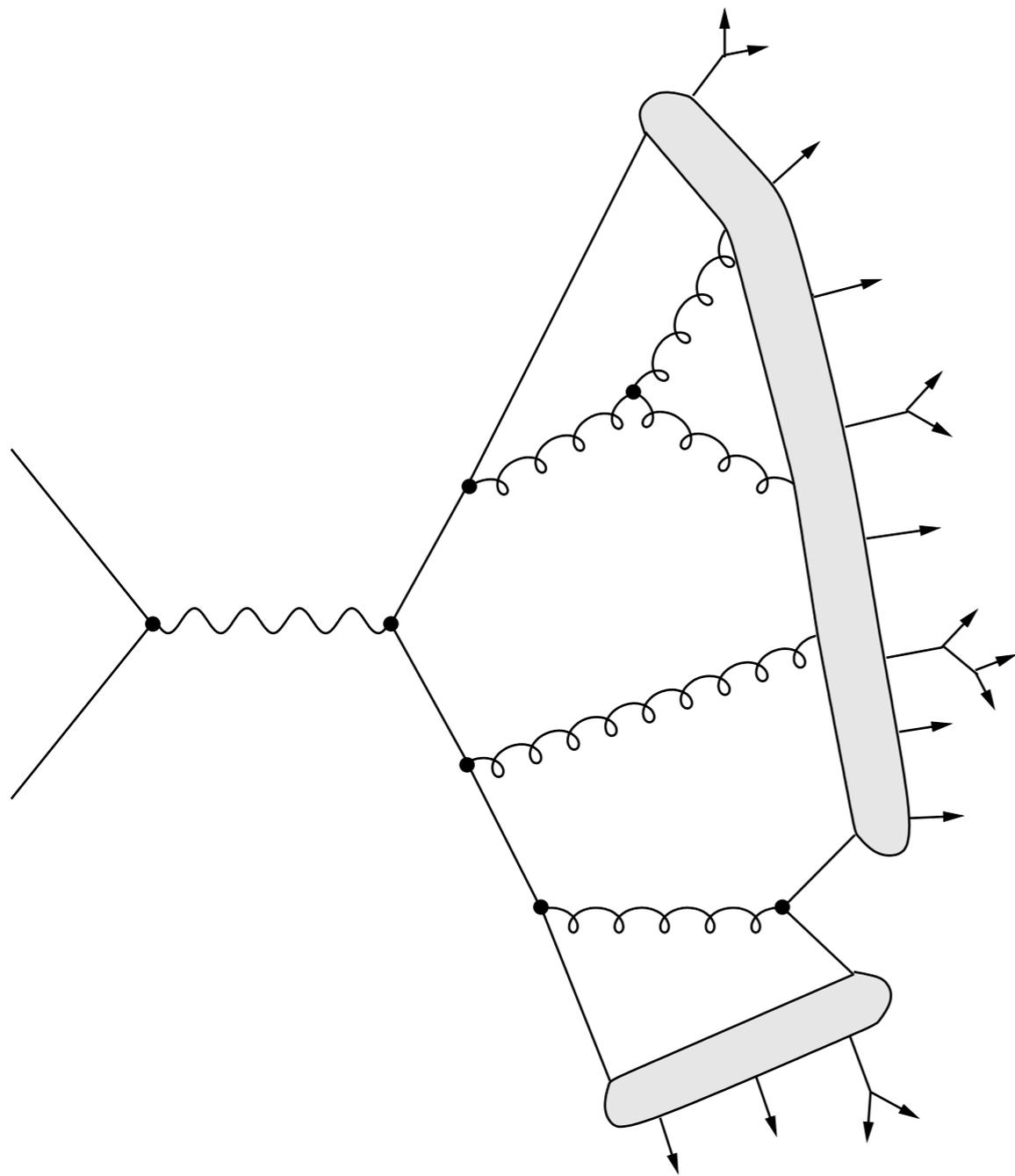
- **Pythia, Herwig, Sherpa**  
(each has one or more formulations of a parton shower)
- Sudakov approximation is not accurate for high- $p_T$  emissions, and intrinsic accuracy of cross sections is LO
  - showers combined with NLO through tools like **MC@NLO** or **POWHEG**  
(NNLO matching is a research topic with first tools available)
  - Full matrix elements for hard emissions included through methods like **MLM, CKKW, FxFx, Sherpa** “merging” or through **Vincia** or **MiNLO** techniques

# hadronisation & MPI

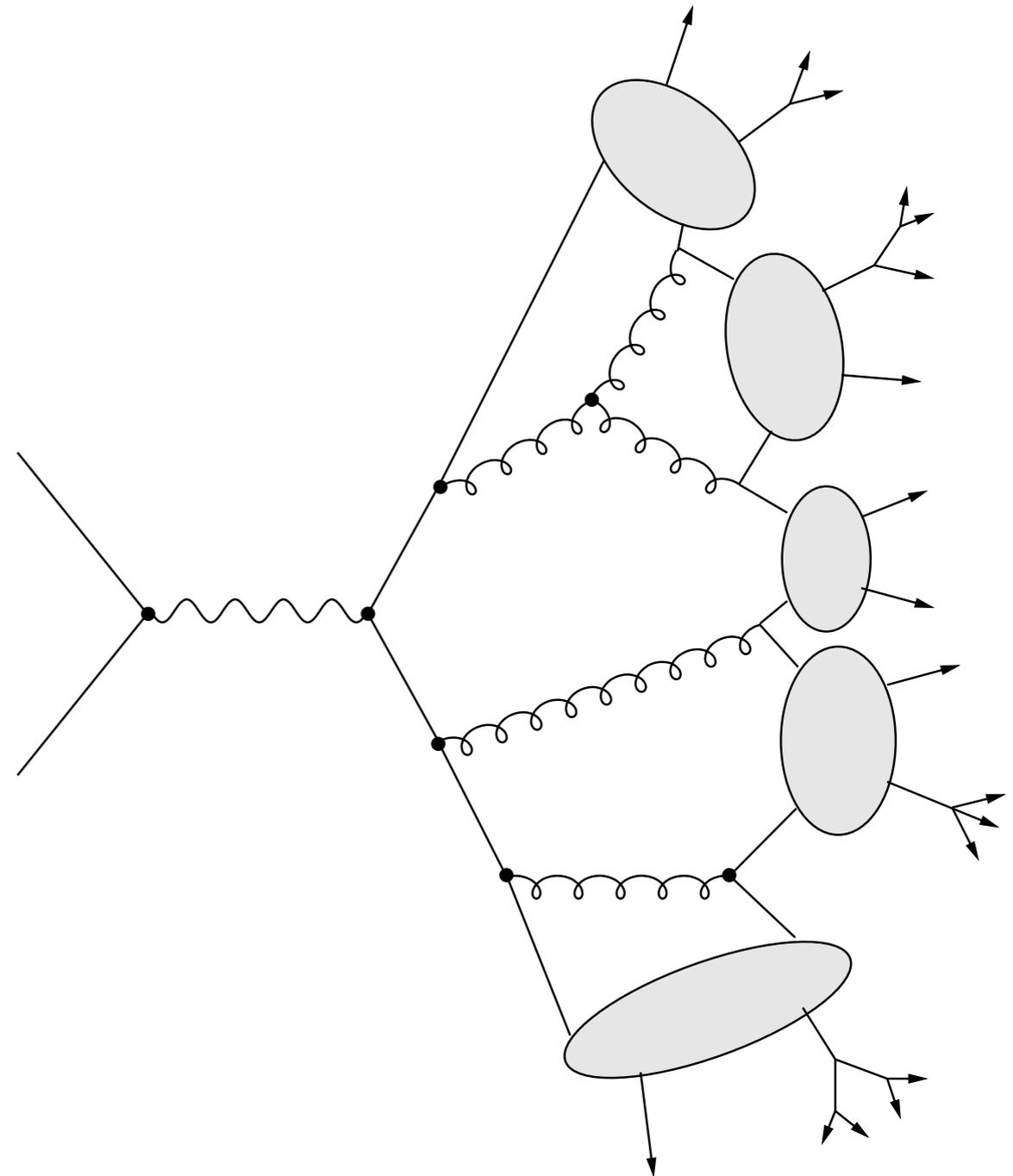
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*essential models for realistic events*

# two main models for the parton-hadron transition (“hadronisation”)

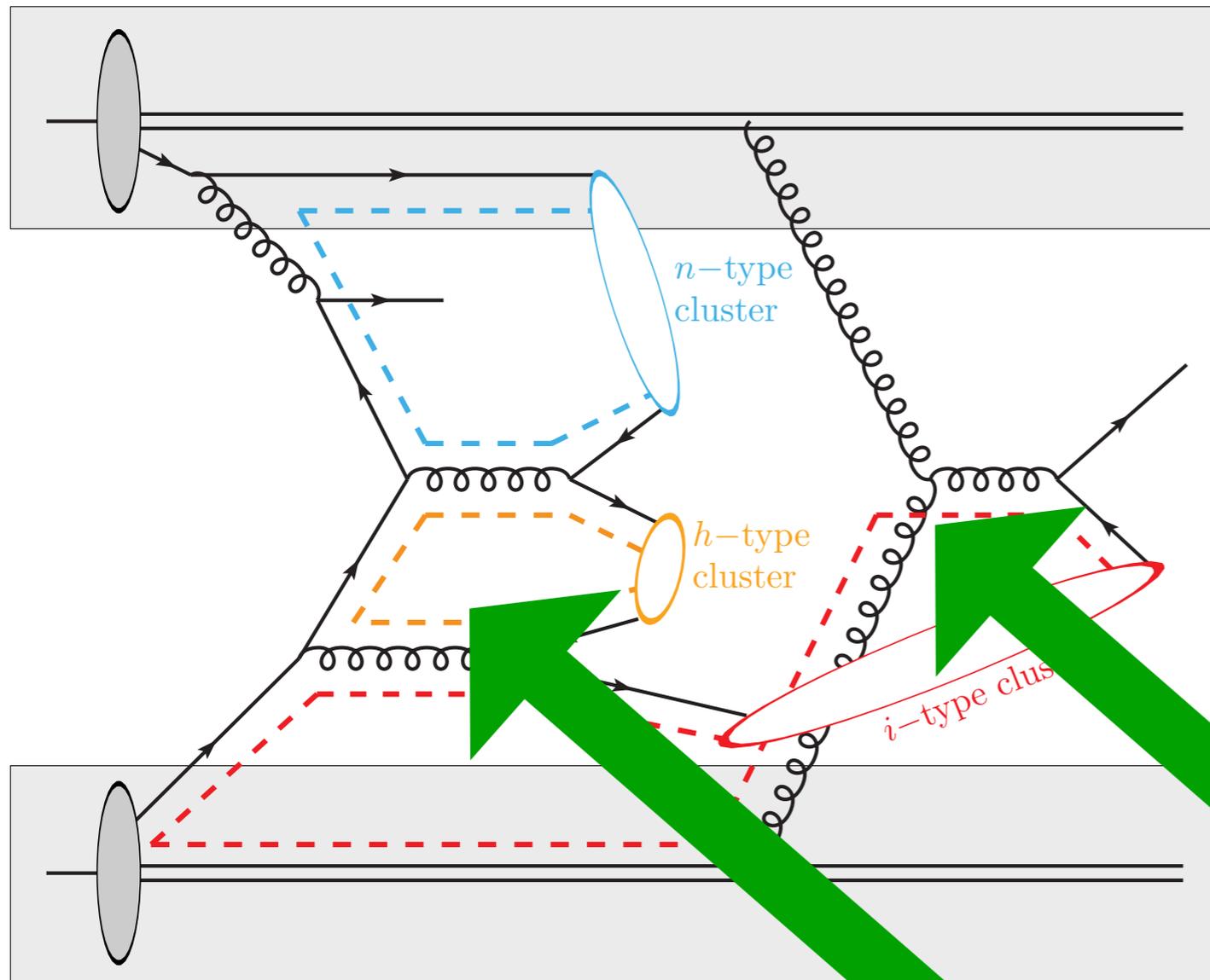


String Fragmentation  
(Pythia and friends)

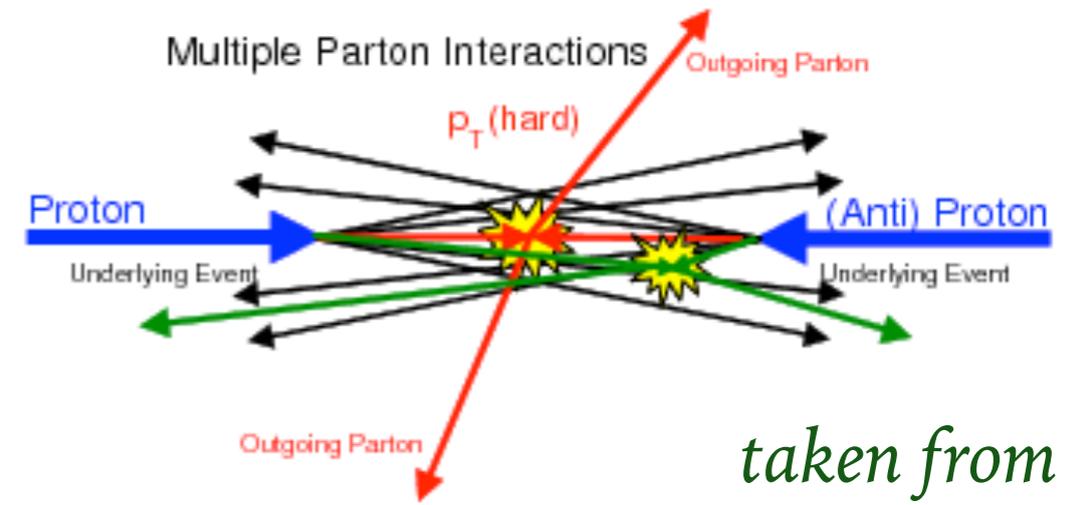


Cluster Fragmentation  
(Herwig) (& Sherpa)

# multi-parton interactions (MPI, a.k.a. underlying event)



*taken from  
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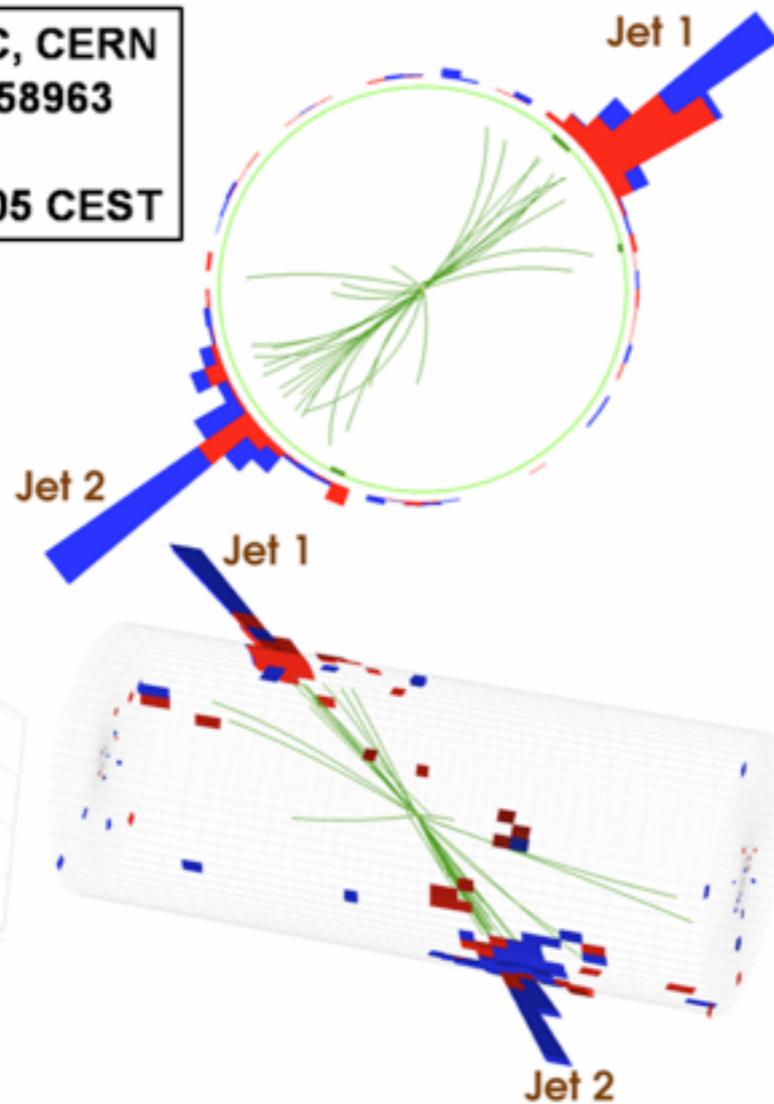
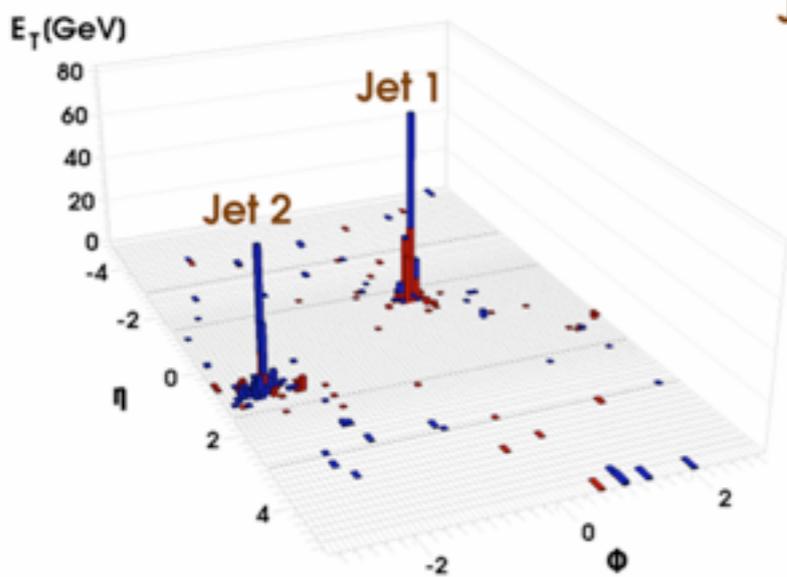


*taken from  
R. Field*

**Allow  $2 \rightarrow 2$  scatterings of multiple other partons in the incoming protons**

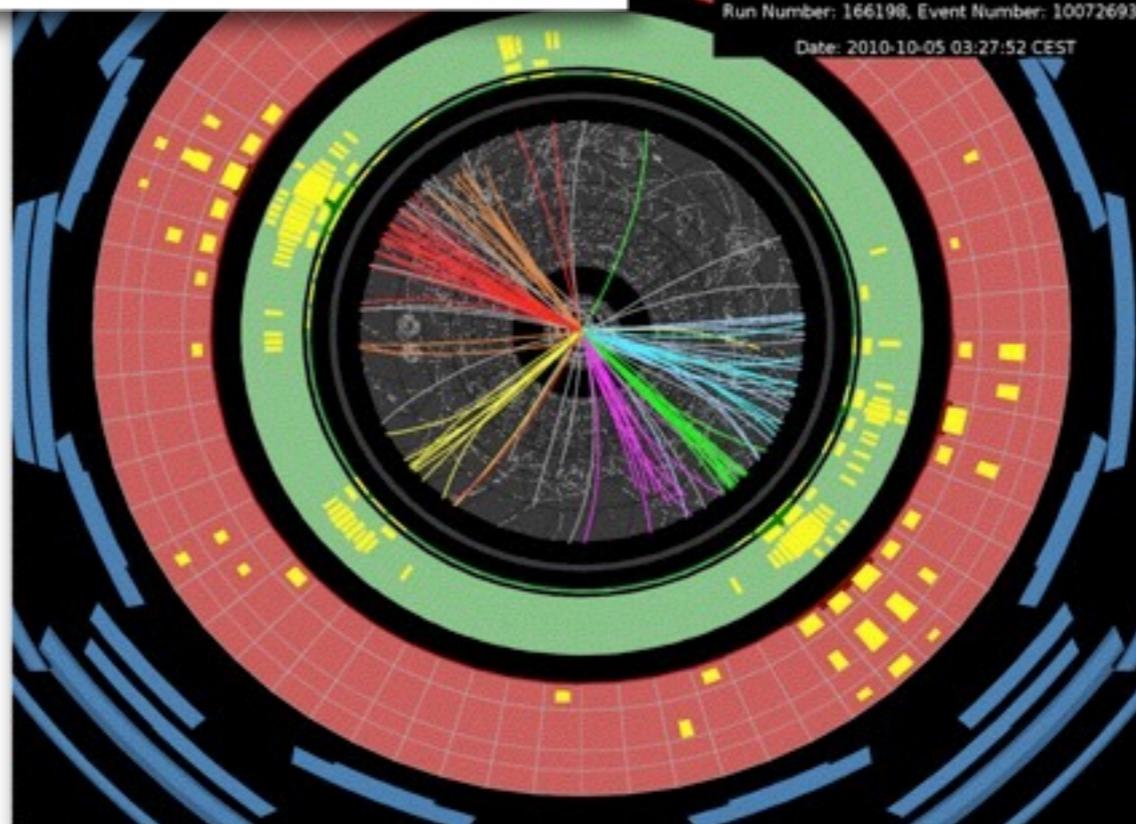


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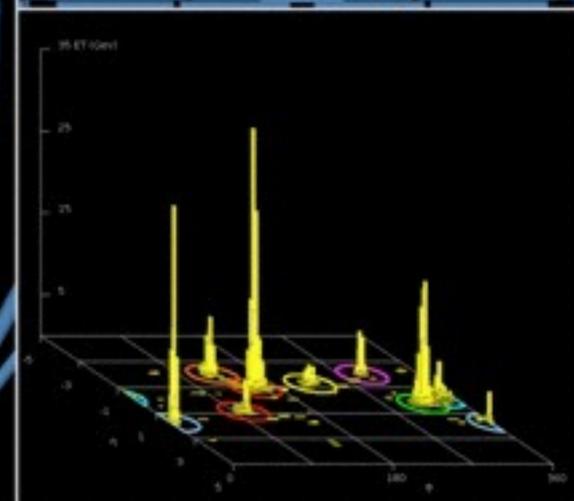
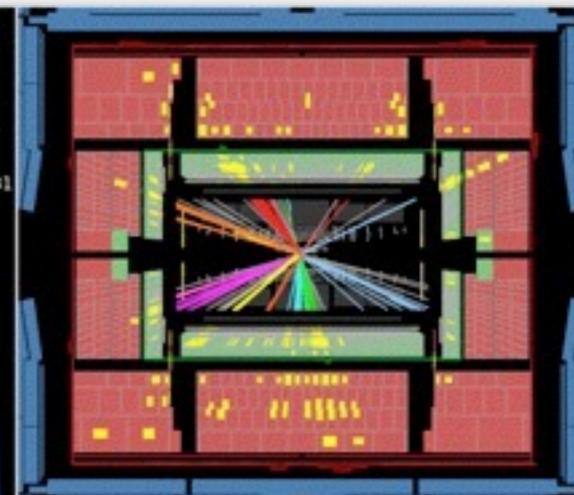


# jets

*i.e. how we make sense of the hadronic part of events*

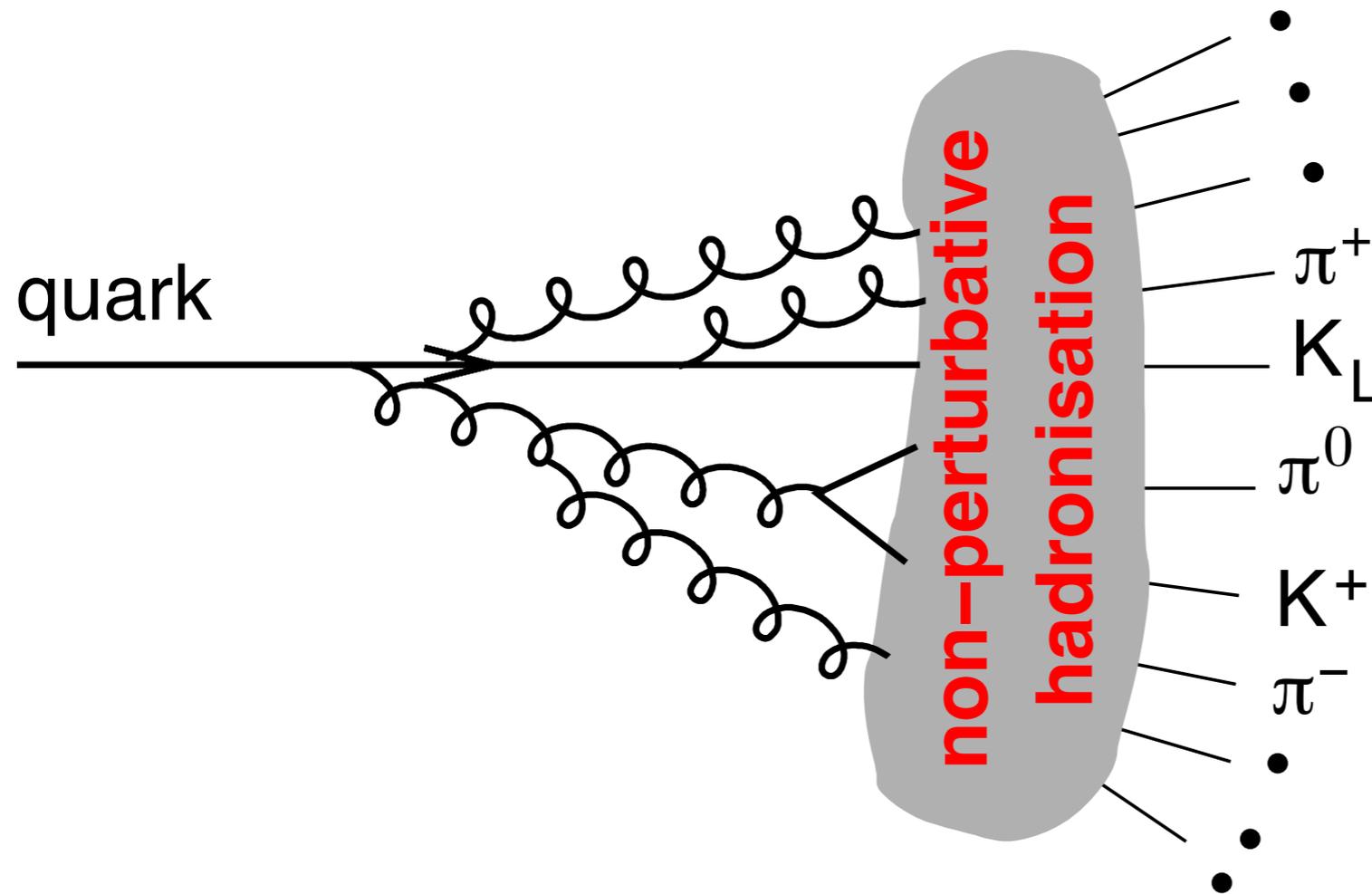


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# WHY DO WE SEE JETS?

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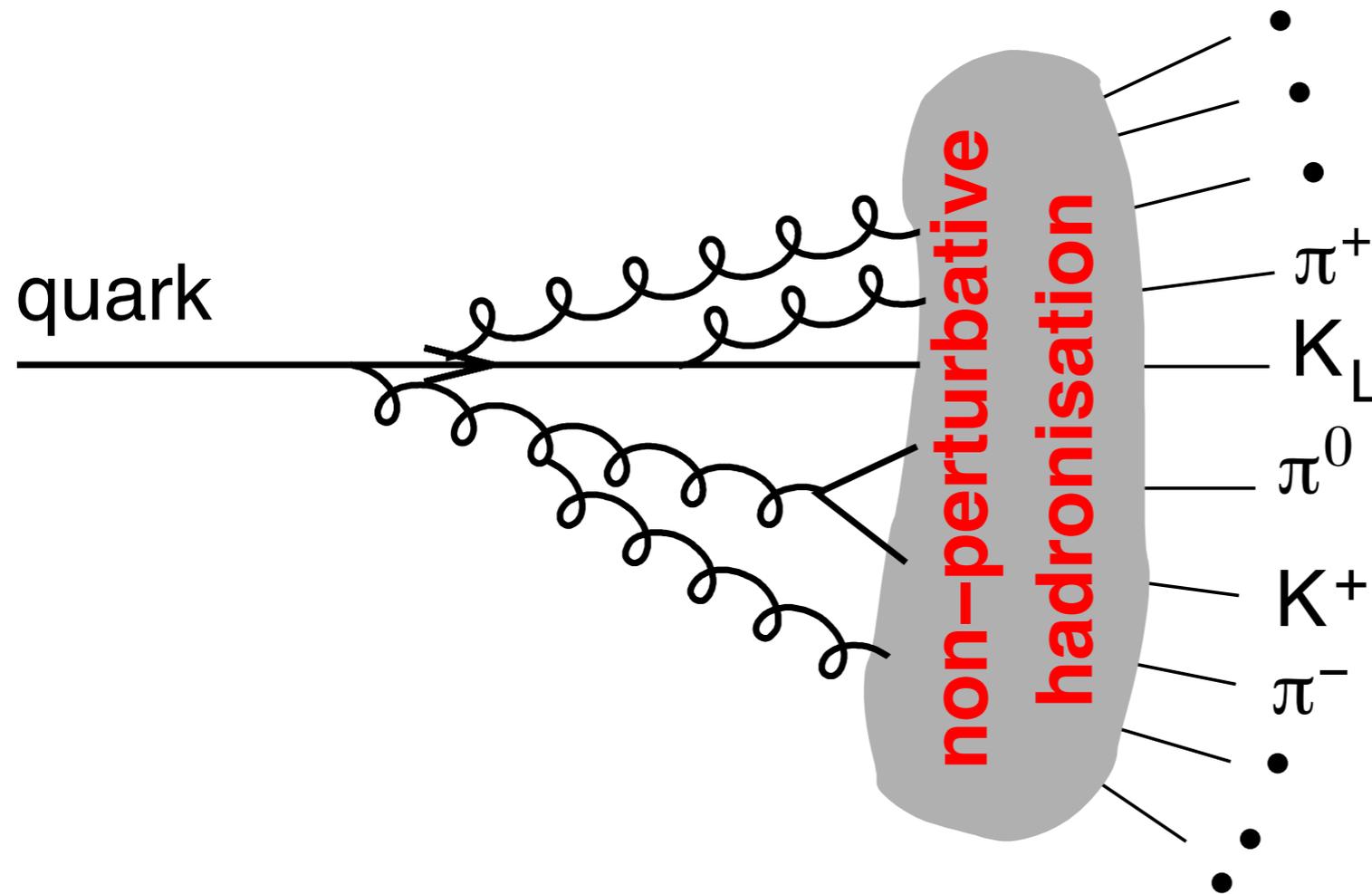
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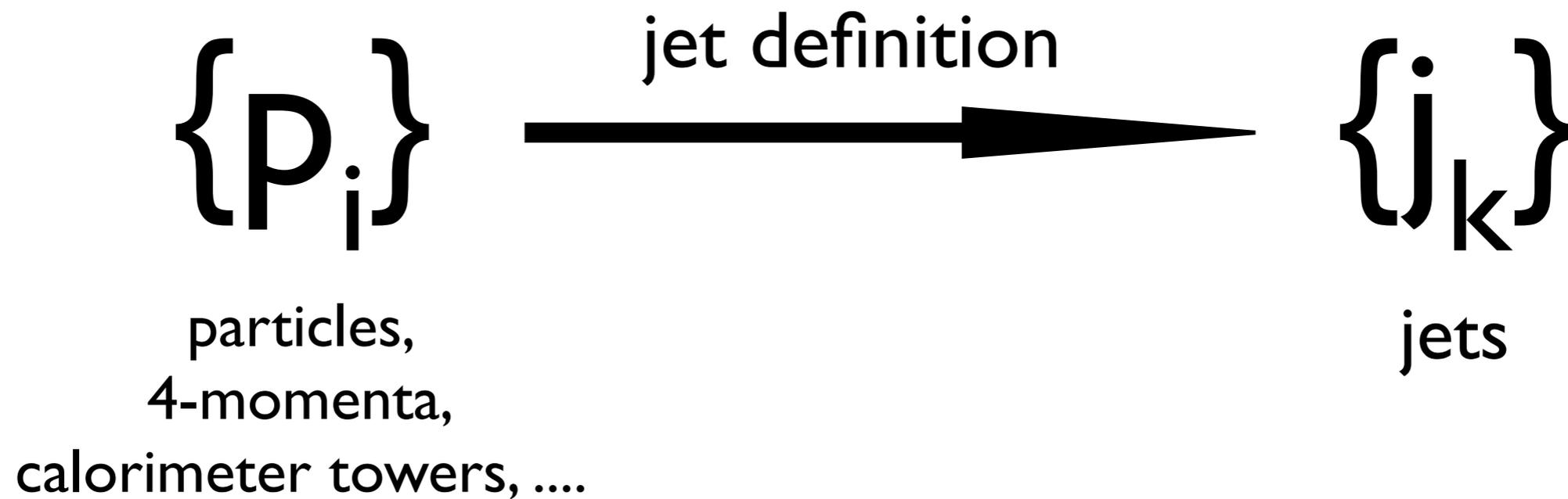
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While you can see jets with your eyes, **to do quantitative physics**, you need an algorithmic procedure that **defines what exactly a jet is**

# make a choice, specify a **Jet Definition**

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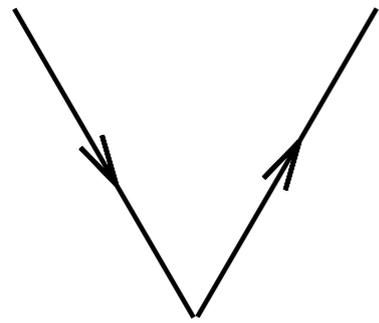
- Which particles do you put together into a same jet?
- How do you recombine their momenta (4-momentum sum is the obvious choice, right?)

*“Jet [definitions] are legal contracts between theorists and experimentalists”*  
-- MJ Tannenbaum

They're also a way of organising the information in an event  
1000's of particles per events, up to 20.000,000 events per second

# what should a jet definition achieve?

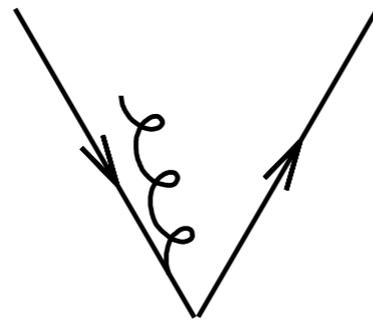
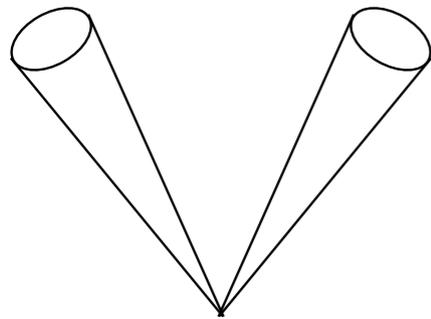
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LO partons

Jet ↓ Def<sup>n</sup>

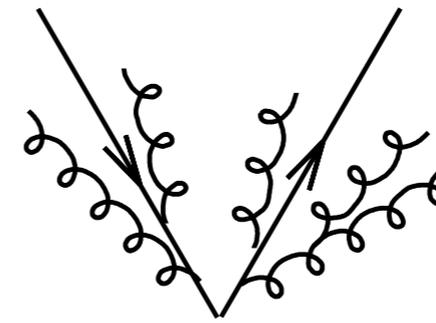
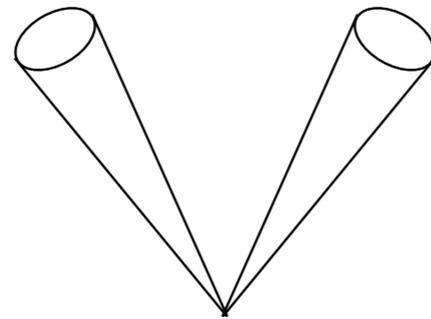
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NLO partons

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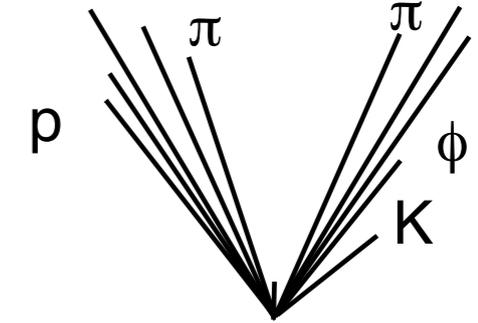
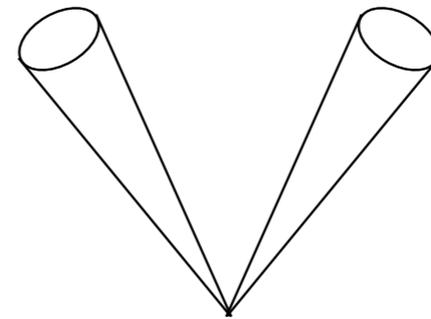
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parton shower

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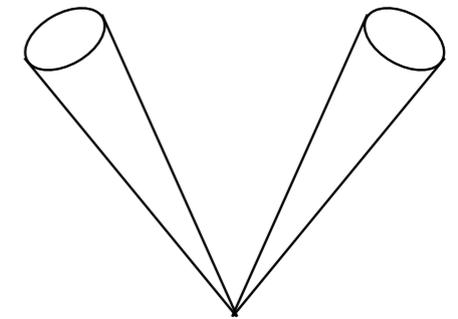
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hadron level

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projection to jets should be resilient to QCD effects

# the main jet algorithm at the LHC

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Two parameters,  $R$  and  $p_{t,min}$

(These are the two parameters in essentially every widely used hadron-collider jet algorithm)

$$d_{ij} = \frac{1}{\max(p_{ti}^2, p_{tj}^2)} \frac{\Delta R_{ij}^2}{R^2}, \quad d_{iB} = \frac{1}{p_{ti}^2}$$
$$\Delta R_{ij}^2 = (y_i - y_j)^2 + (\phi_i - \phi_j)^2$$

## Sequential recombination algorithm

1. Find smallest of  $d_{ij}$ ,  $d_{iB}$
2. If  $ij$ , recombine them
3. If  $iB$ , call  $i$  a jet and remove from list of particles
4. repeat from step 1 until no particles left

Only use jets with  $p_t > p_{t,min}$

*anti- $k_t$  algorithm*  
*Cacciari, GPS & Soyez, 0802.1189*

## anti- $k_t$ in action

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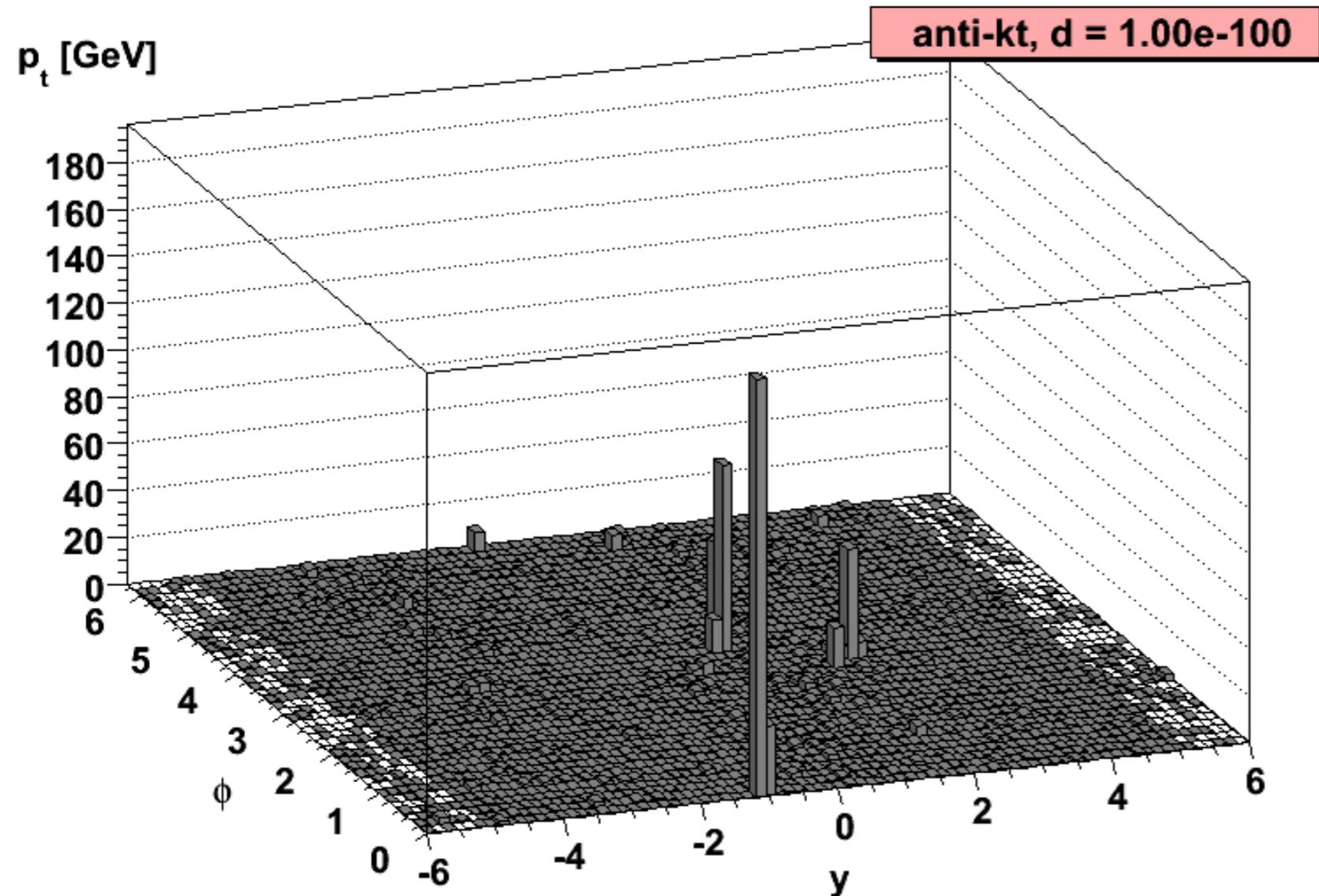
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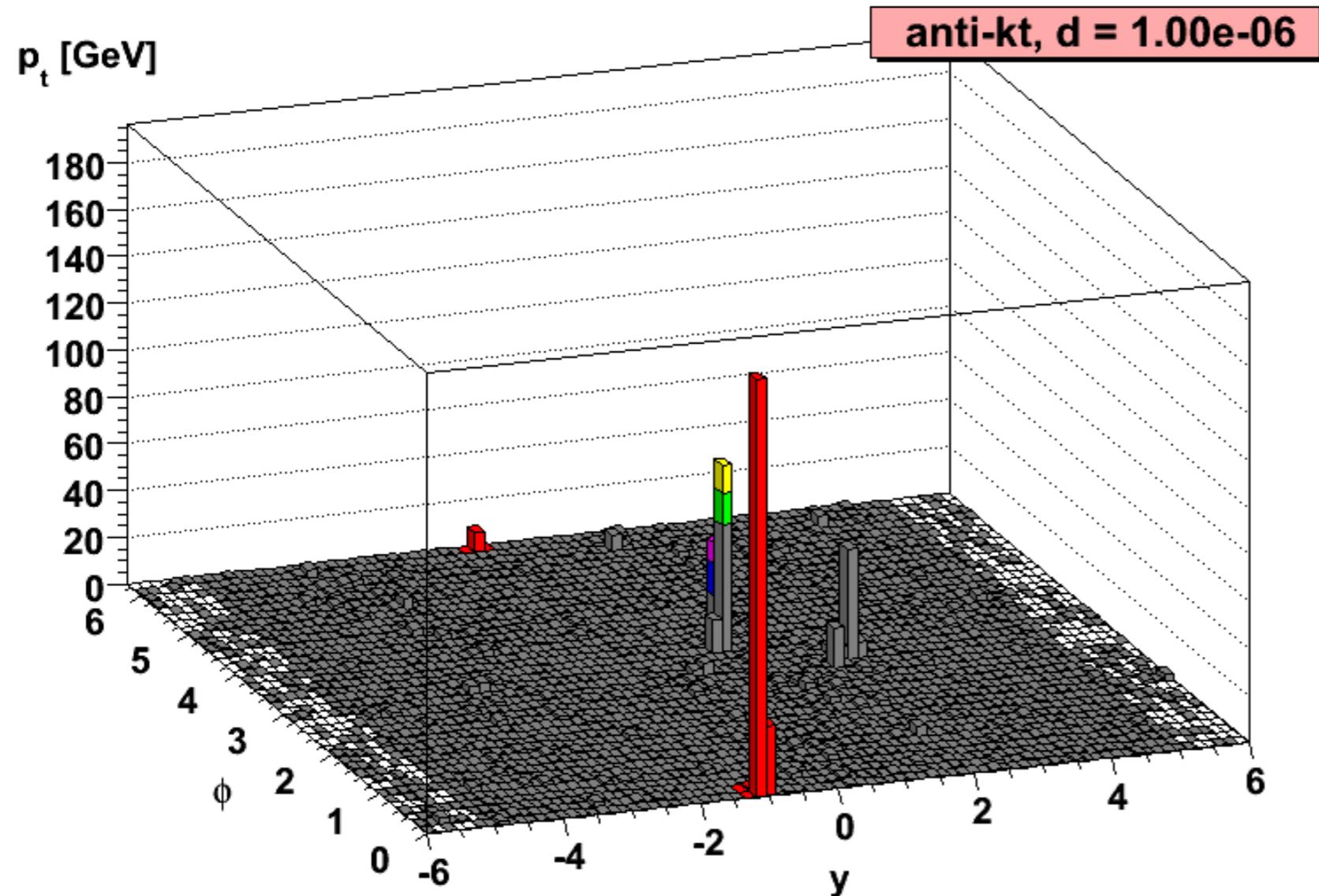
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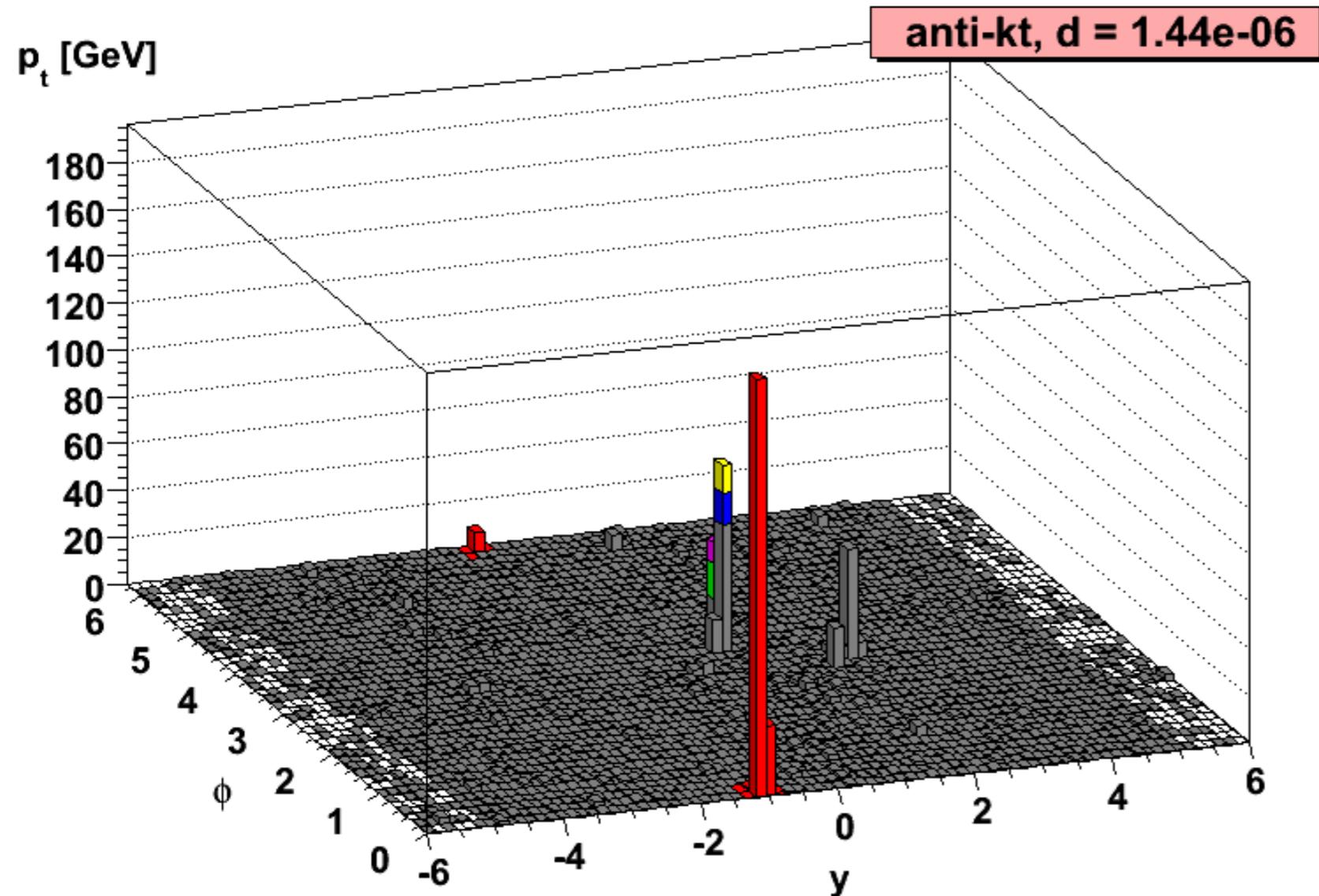
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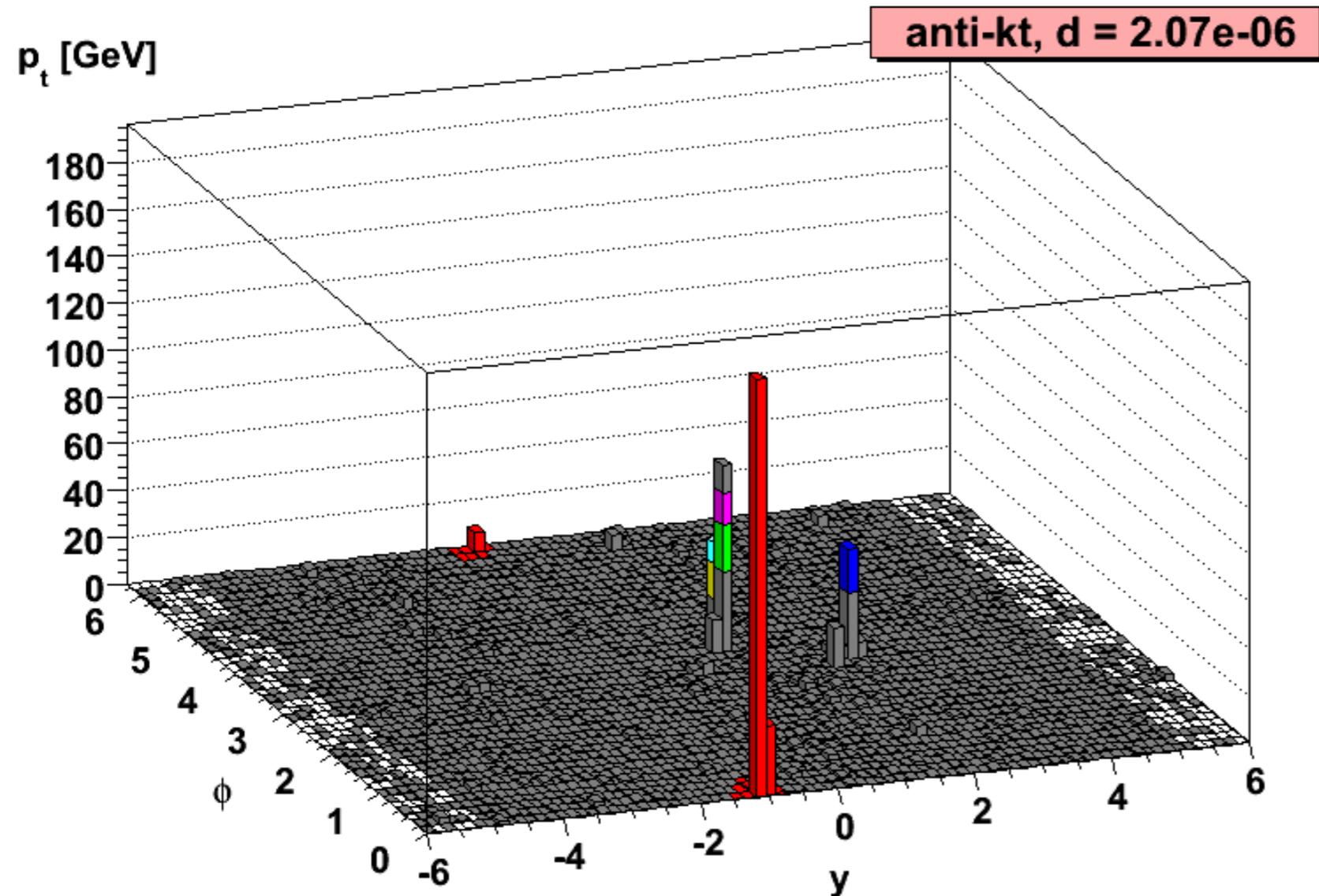
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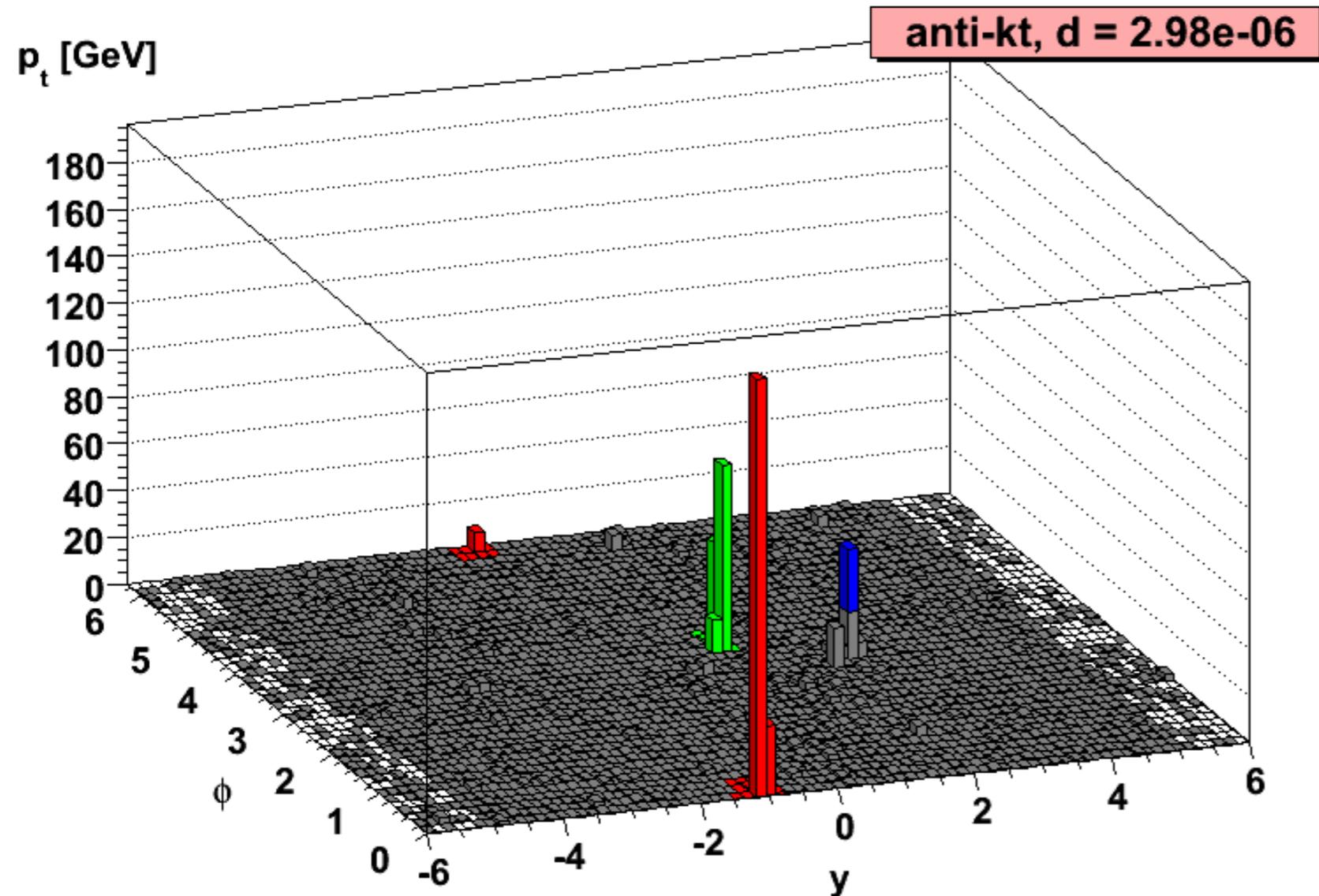
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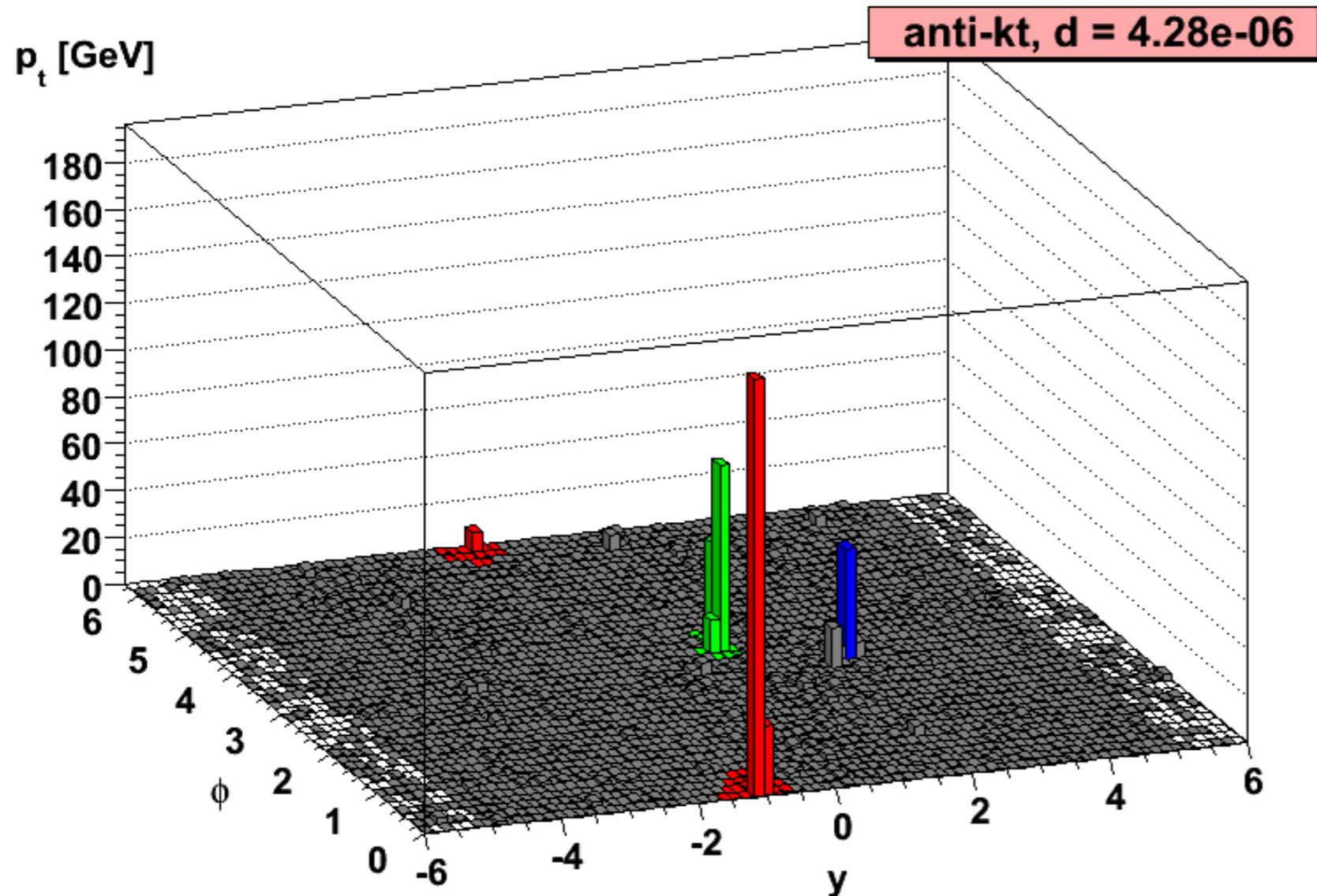
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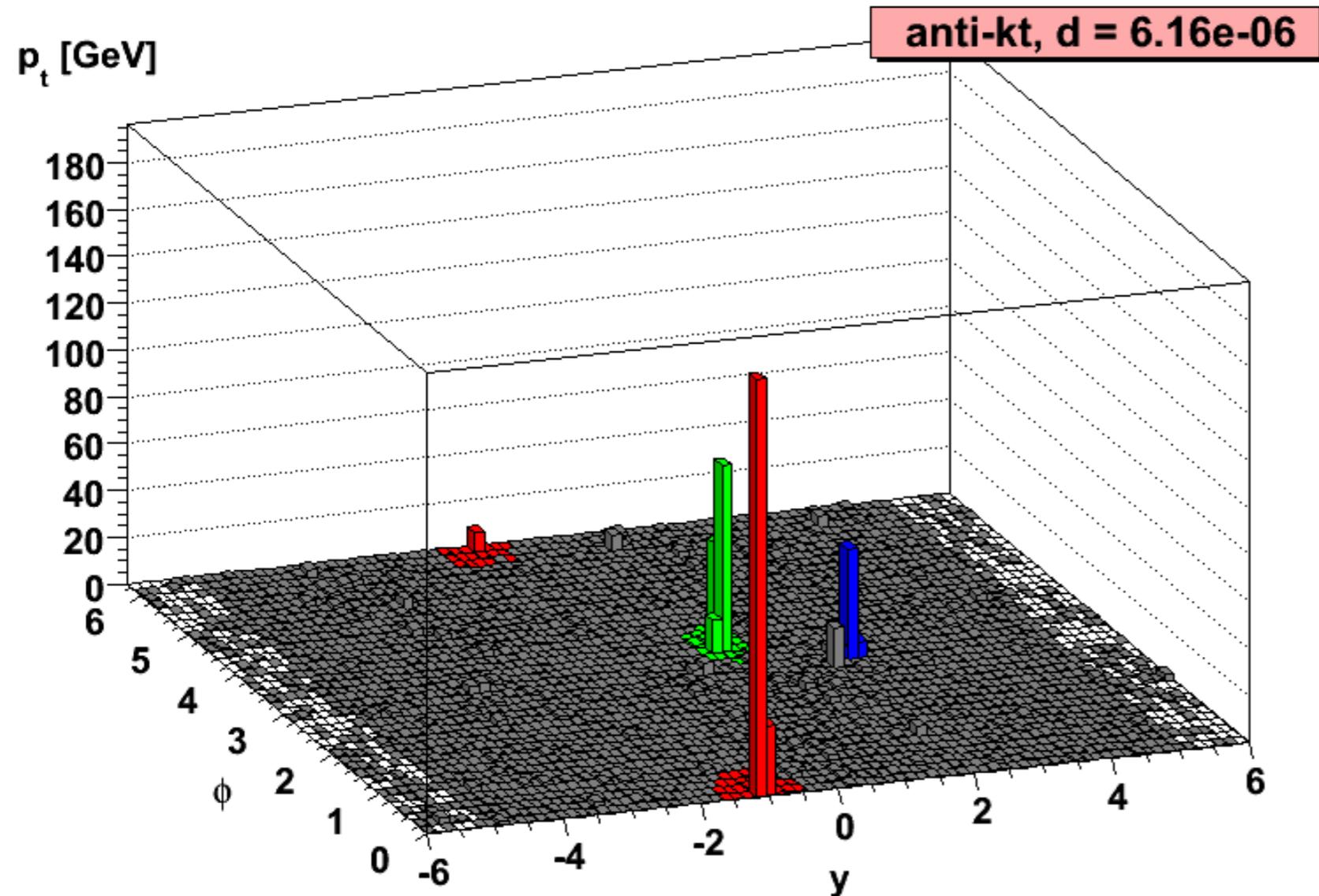
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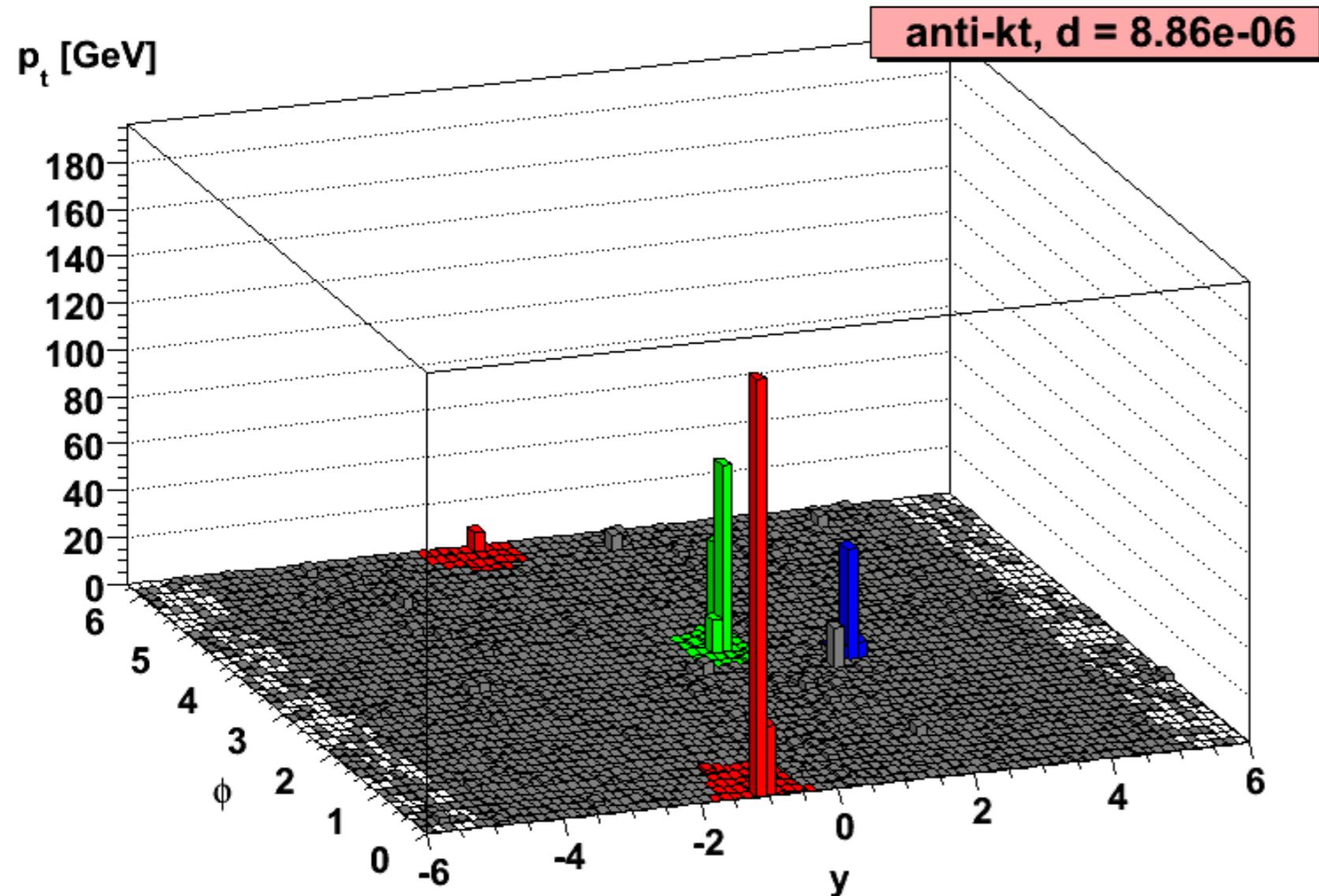
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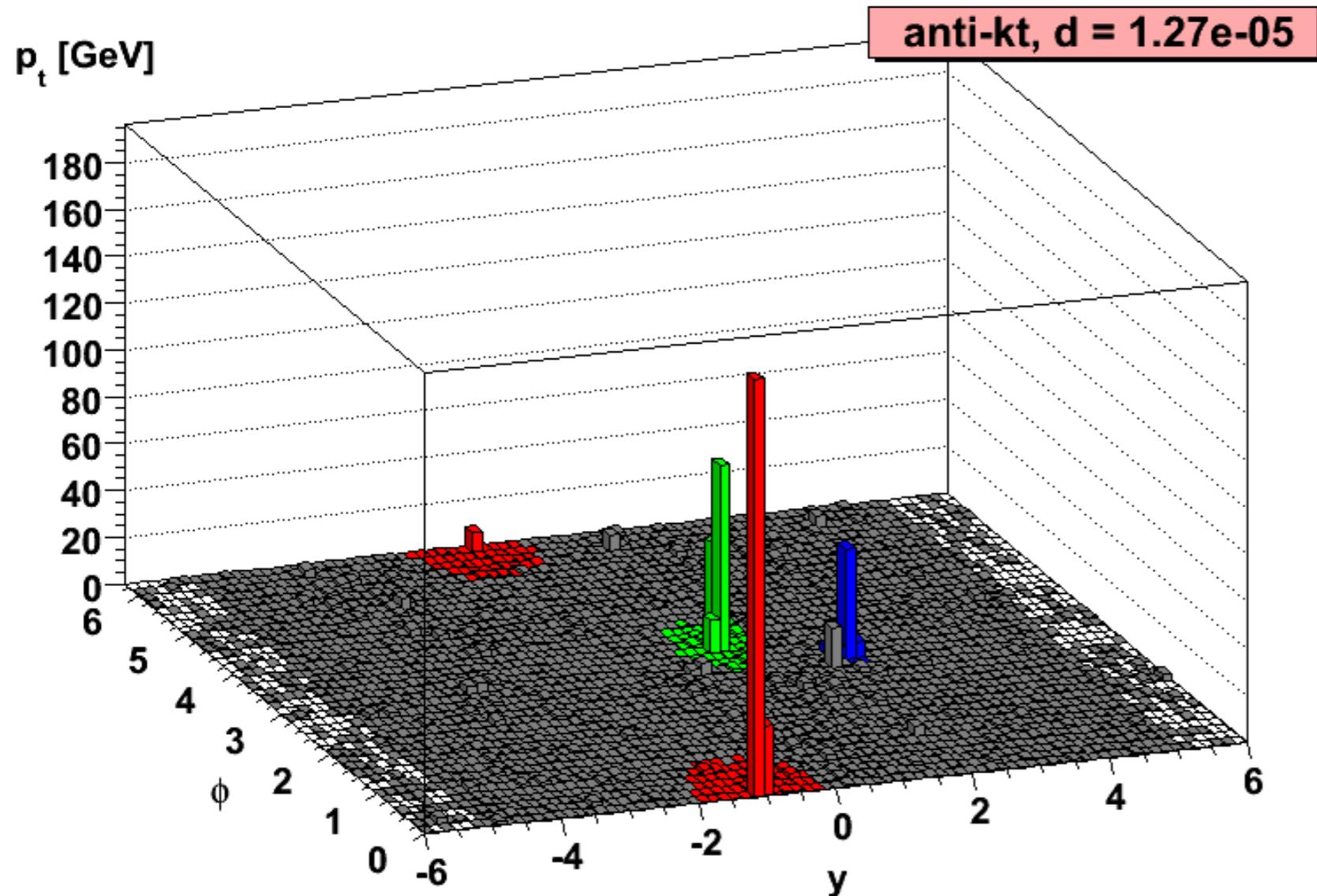
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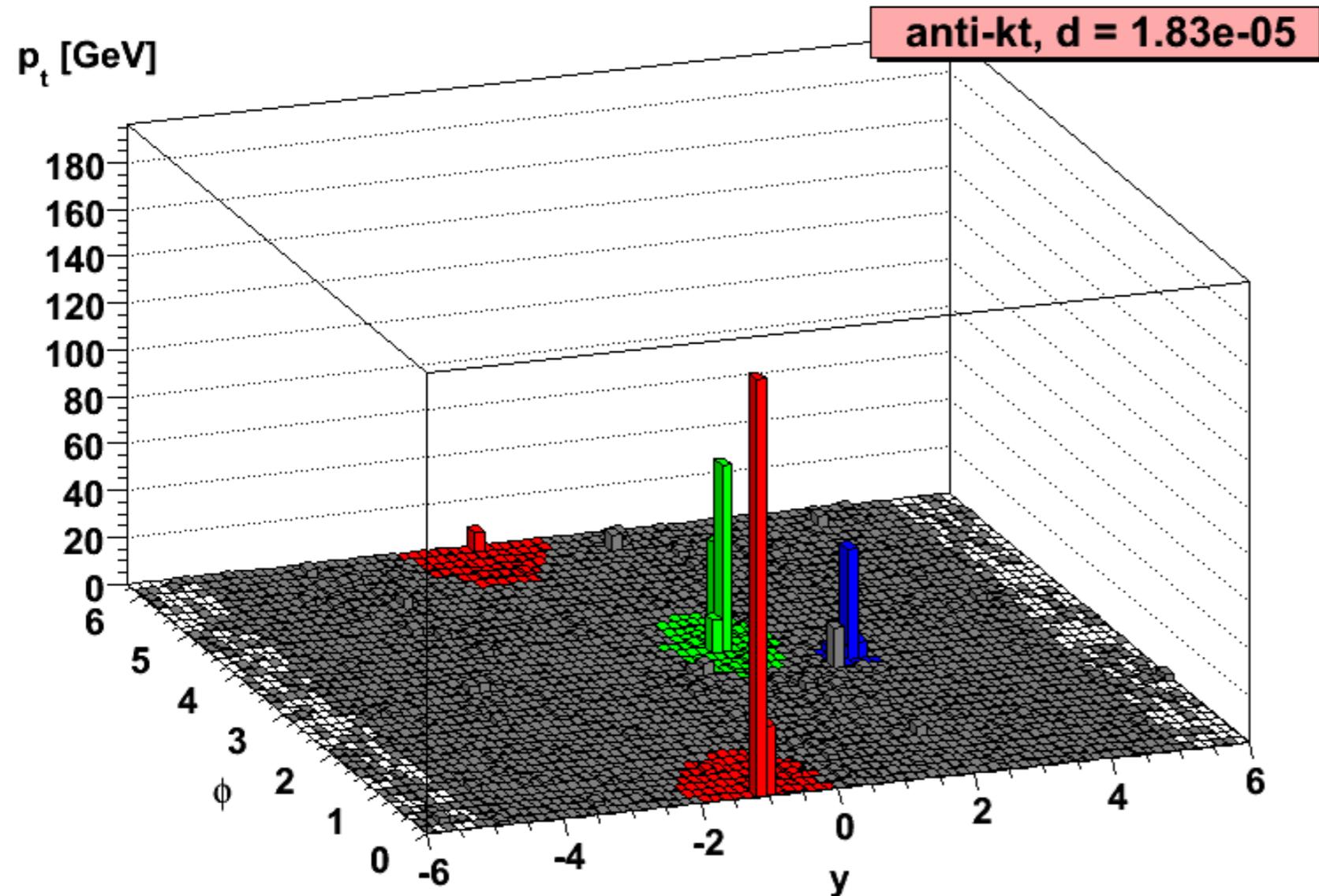
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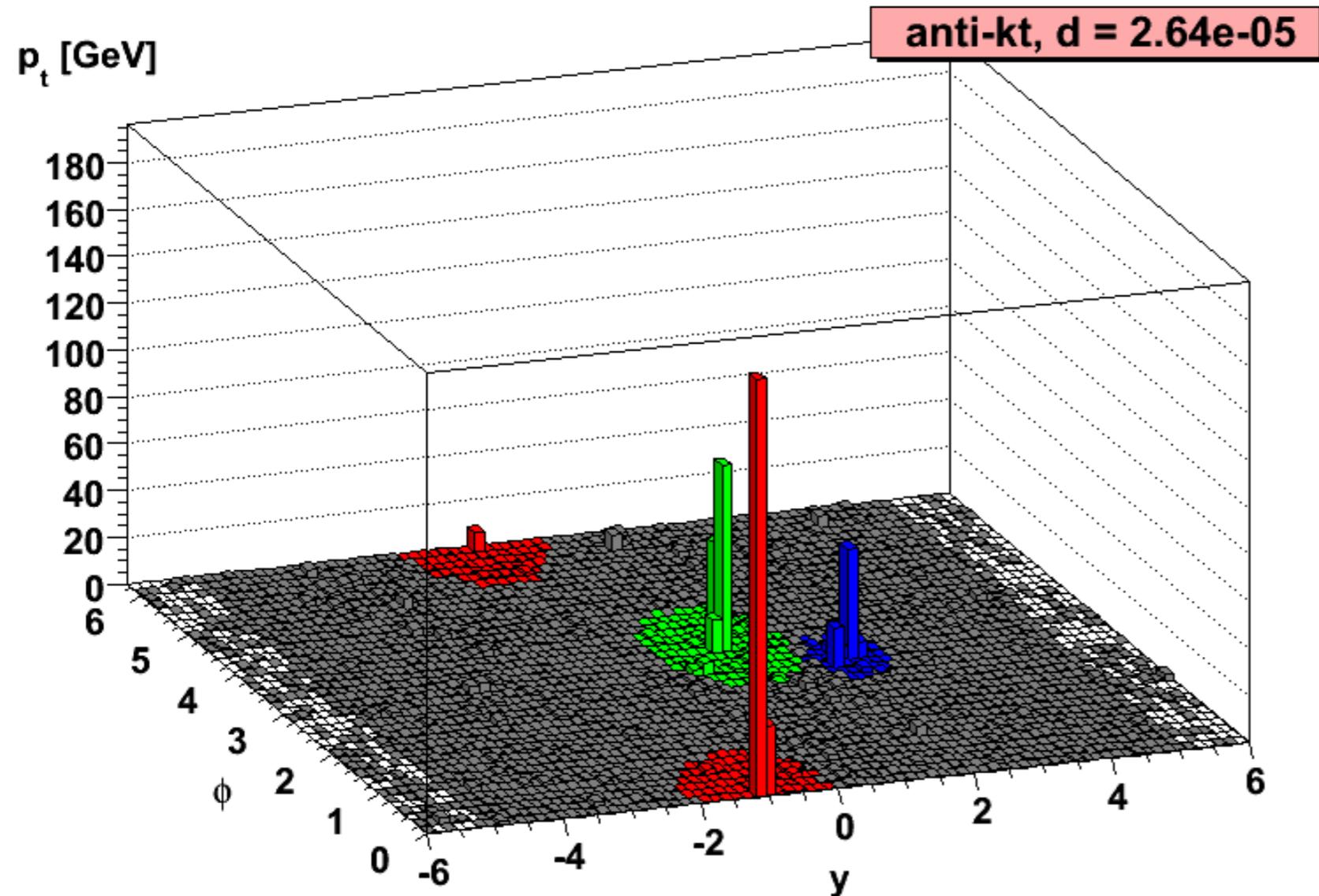
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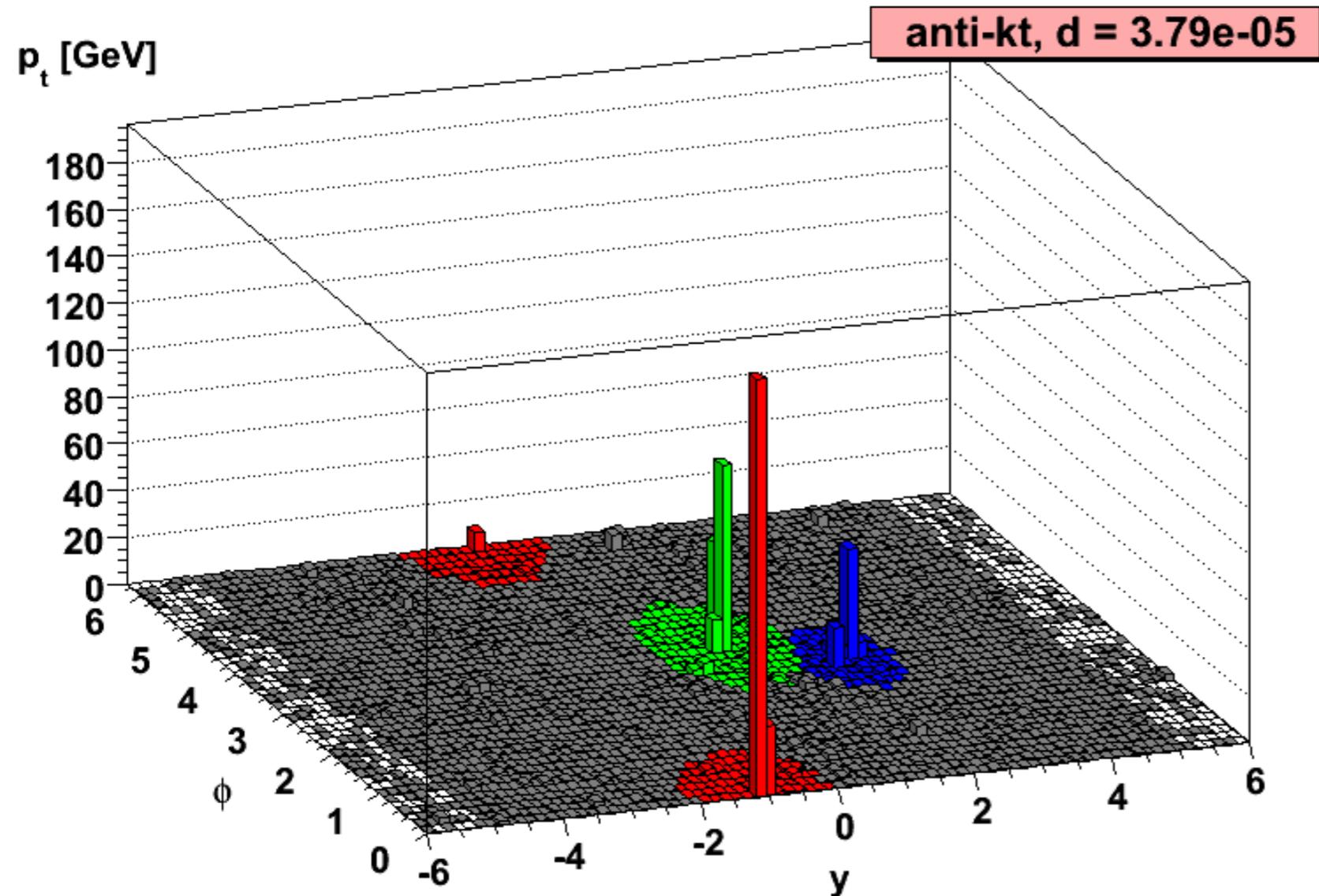
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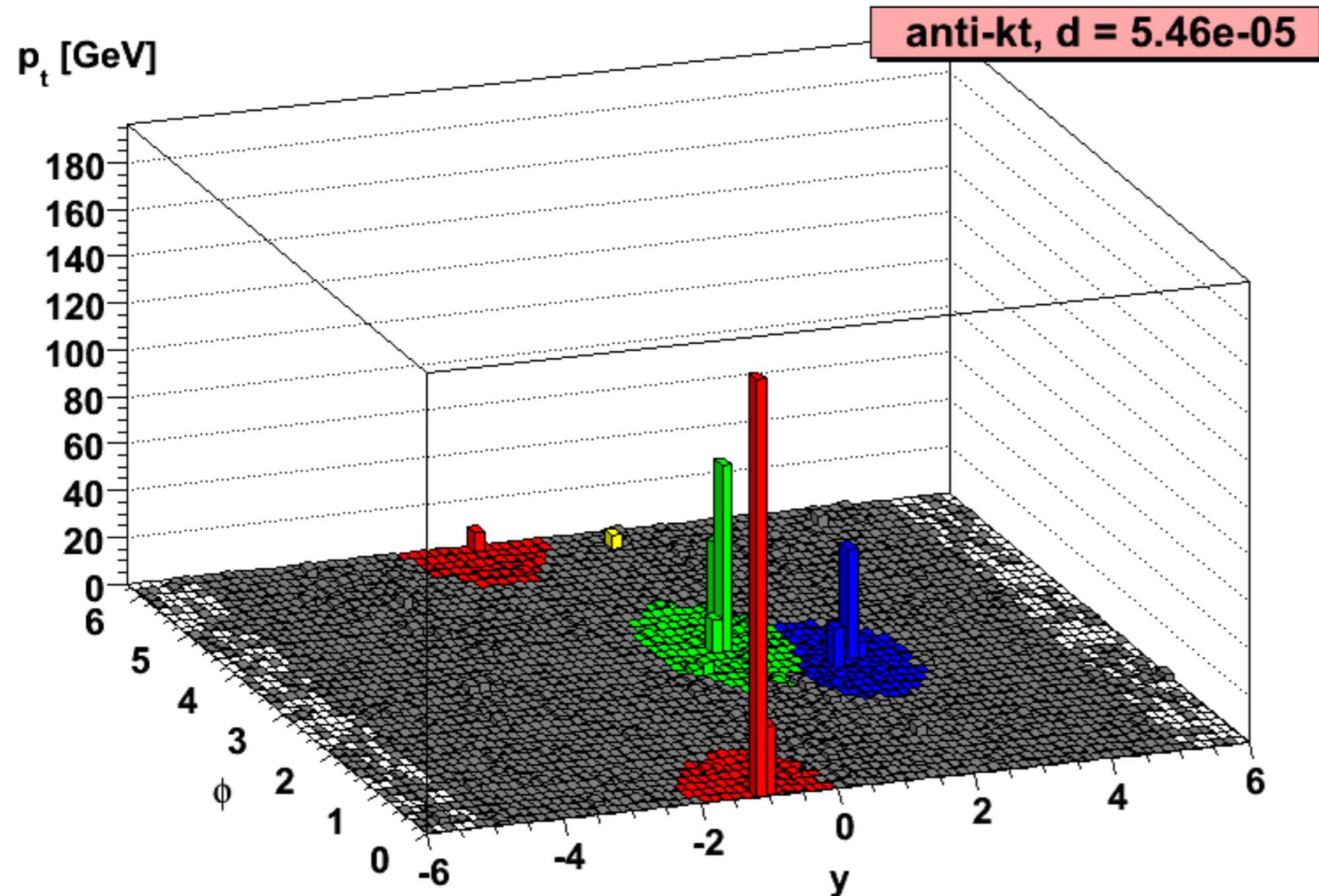
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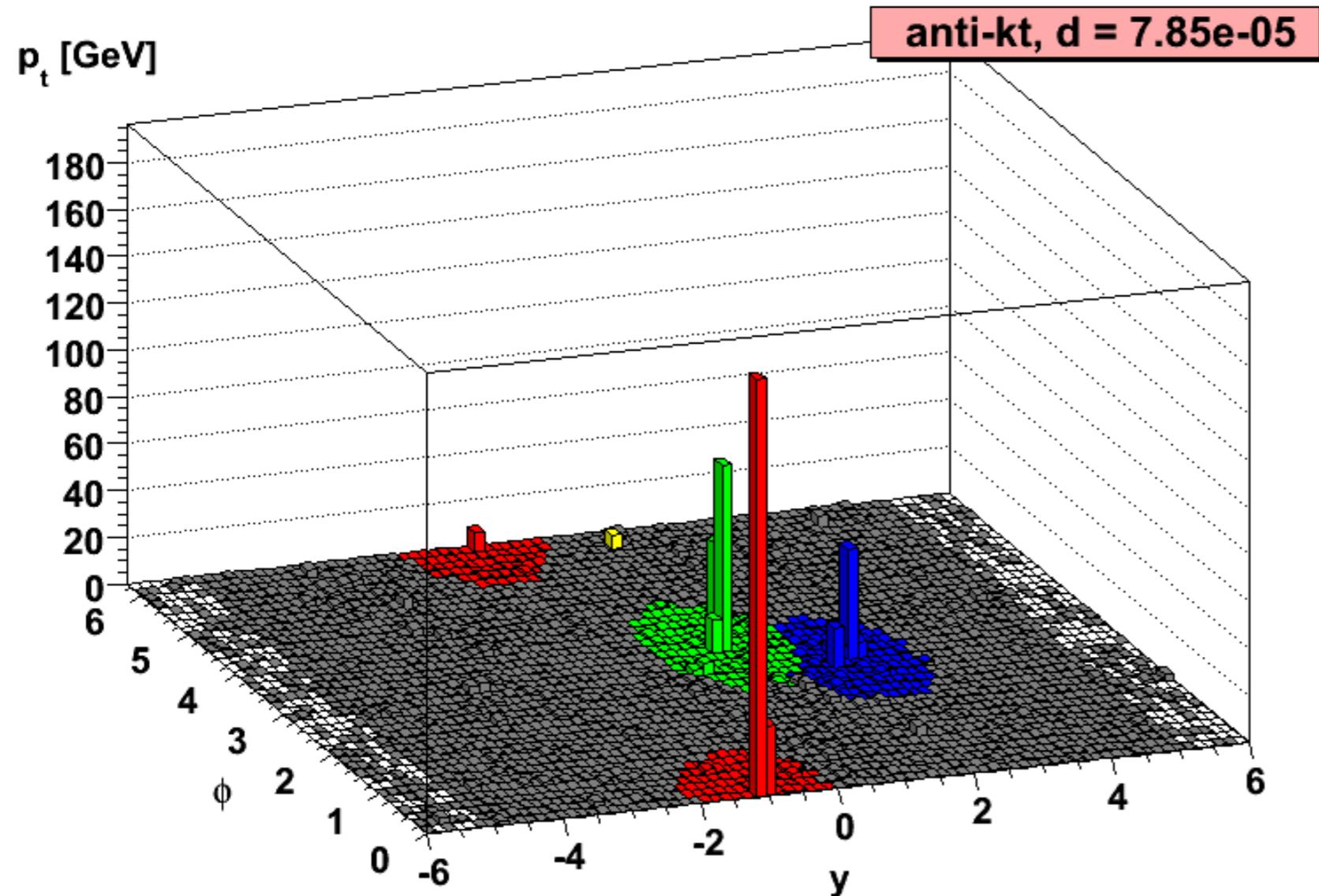
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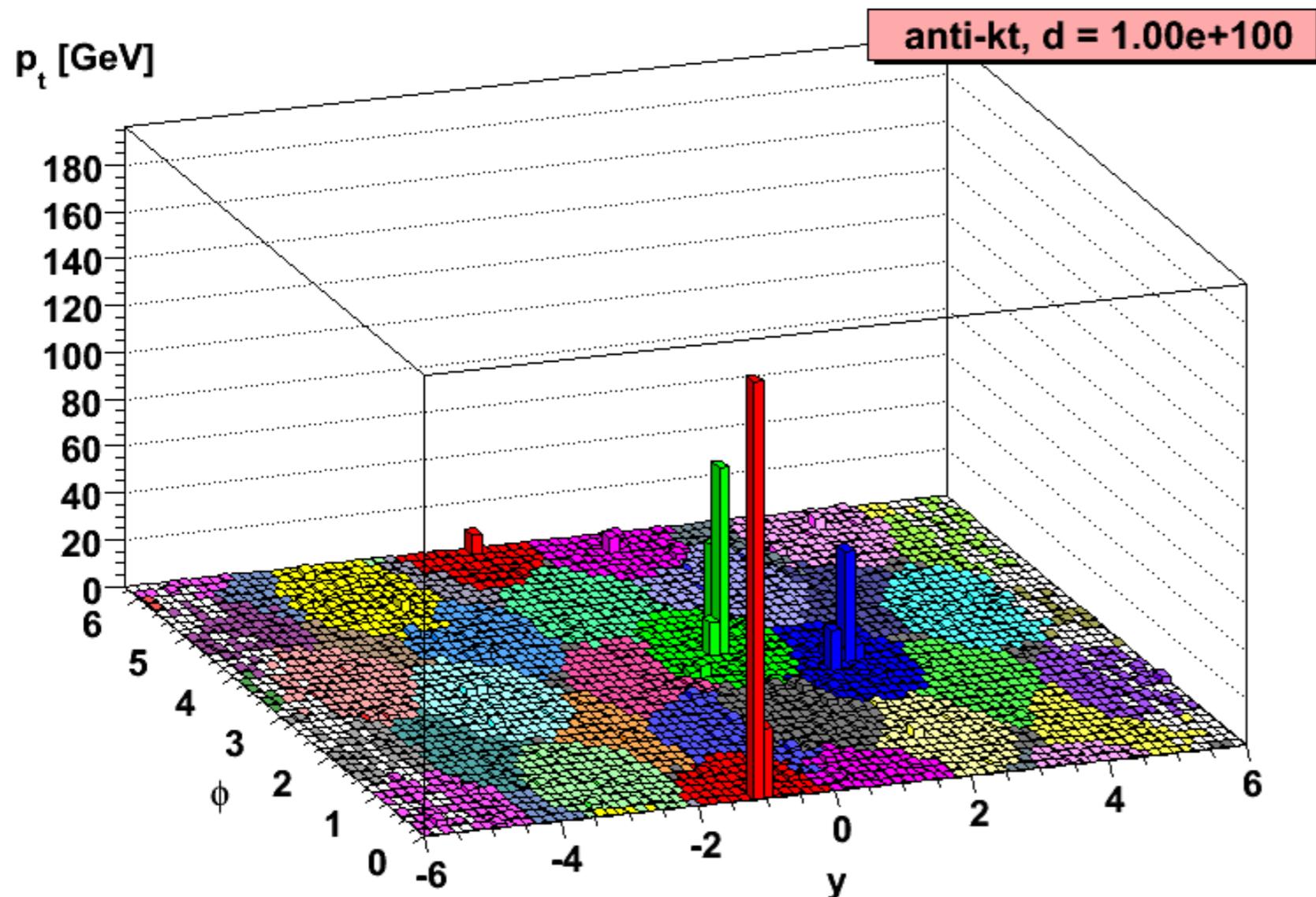
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Anti- $k_t$  gives circular jets ("cone-like") in a way that's infrared safe

# conclusions

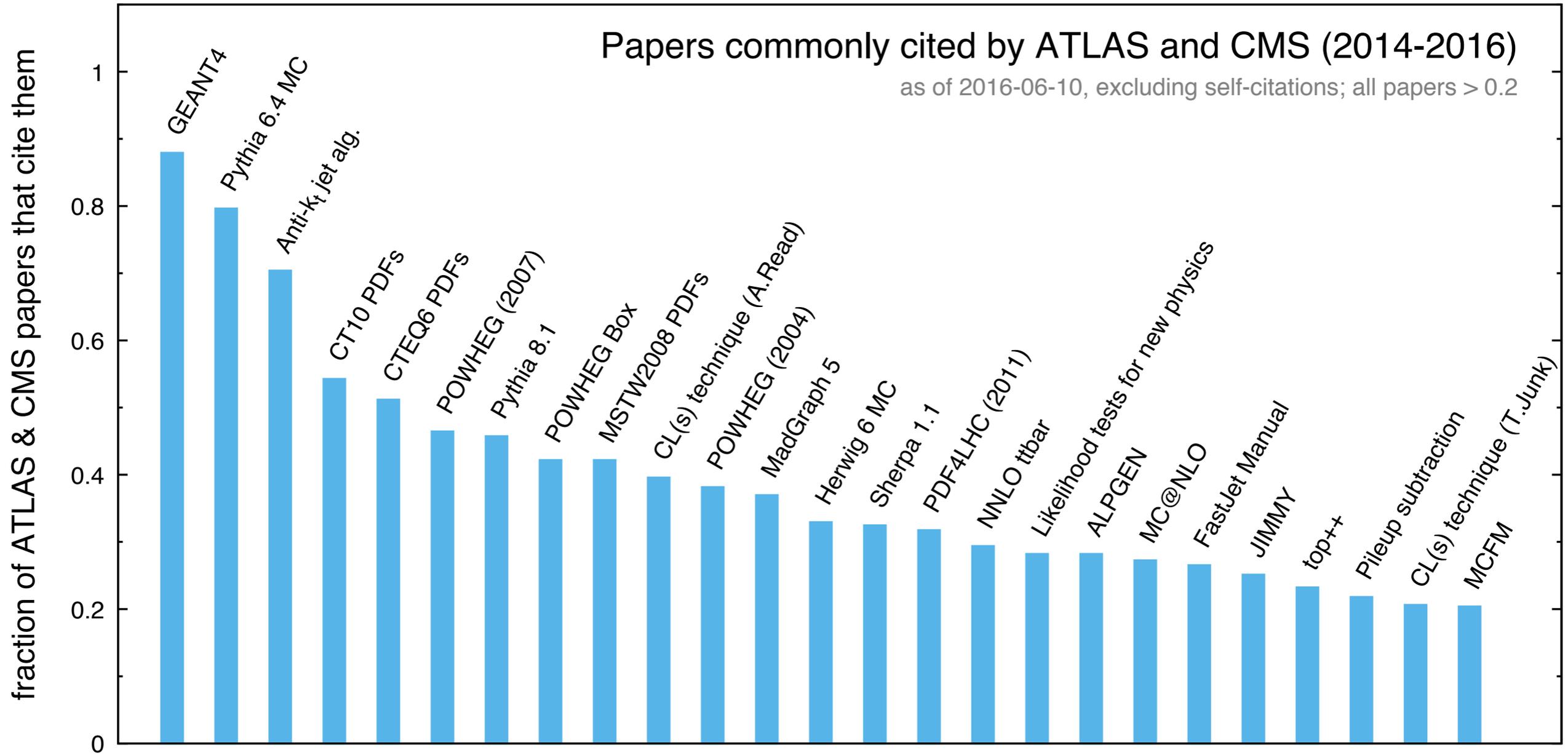
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## 3 Signal and background models

The ggF and VBF production modes for  $H \rightarrow WW^*$  are modelled at next-to-leading order (NLO) in the strong coupling  $\alpha_s$  with the PowHEG MC generator [22–25], interfaced with PYTHIA8 [26] (version 8.165) for the parton shower, hadronisation, and underlying event. The CT10 [27] PDF set is used and the parameters of the PYTHIA8 generator controlling the modelling of the parton shower and the underlying event are those corresponding to the AU2 set [28]. The Higgs boson mass set in the generation is 125.0 GeV, which is close to the measured value. The PowHEG ggF model takes into account finite quark masses and a running-width Breit–Wigner distribution that includes electroweak corrections at NLO [29]. To improve the modelling of the Higgs boson  $p_T$  distribution, a reweighting scheme is applied to reproduce the prediction of the next-to-next-to-leading-order (NNLO) and next-to-next-to-leading-logarithm (NNLL) dynamic-scale calculation given by the HRES 2.1 program [30]. Events with  $\geq 2$  jets are further reweighted to reproduce the  $p_T^H$  spectrum predicted by the NLO PowHEG simulation of Higgs boson production in association with two jets ( $H + 2$  jets) [31]. Interference with continuum  $WW$  production [32, 33] has a negligible impact on this analysis due to the transverse-mass selection criteria described in Section 4 and is not included in the signal model.

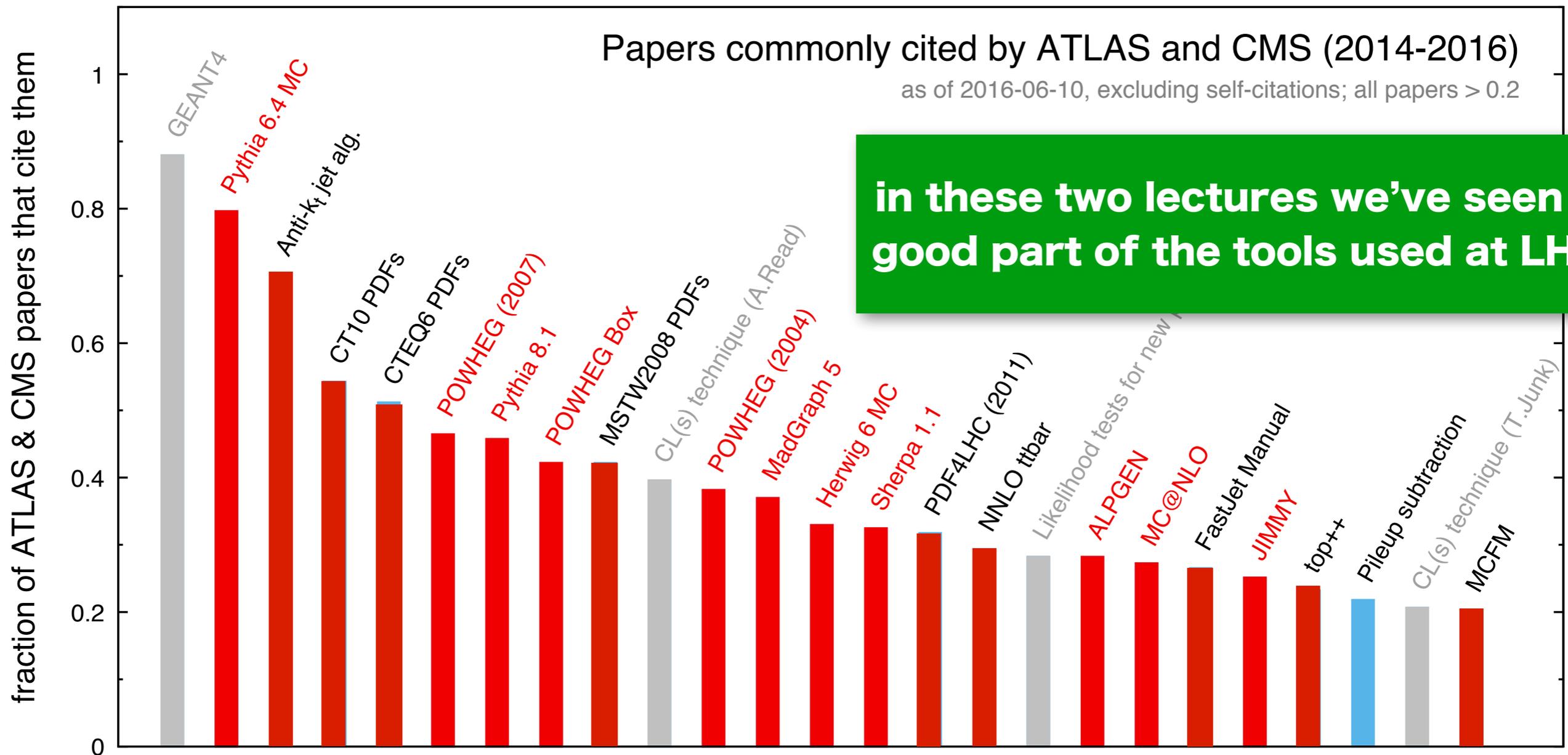
Jets are reconstructed from topological clusters of calorimeter cells [50–52] using the anti- $k_t$  algorithm with a radius parameter of  $R = 0.4$  [53]. Jet energies are corrected for the effects of calorimeter non-

# WHAT DO ATLAS & CMS USE MOST FREQUENTLY?



Plot by GP Salam based on data from InspireHEP

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# CONCLUSIONS

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- A huge number of ingredients goes into hadron-collider predictions and studies ( $\alpha_s$ , PDFs, matrix elements, resummation, parton showers, non-perturbative models, jet algorithms, etc.)
- a key idea is the separation of time scales (“factorisation”)
  - **short timescales:** the hard process
  - **long timescales:** hadronic physics
  - **in between:** parton showers, resummation, DGLAP
- as long as you ask the right questions (e.g. look at jets, not individual hadrons), you can exploit this separation for quantitative, accurate, collider physics

# EXTRA SLIDES

# GLUON V. HADRON MULTIPLICITY

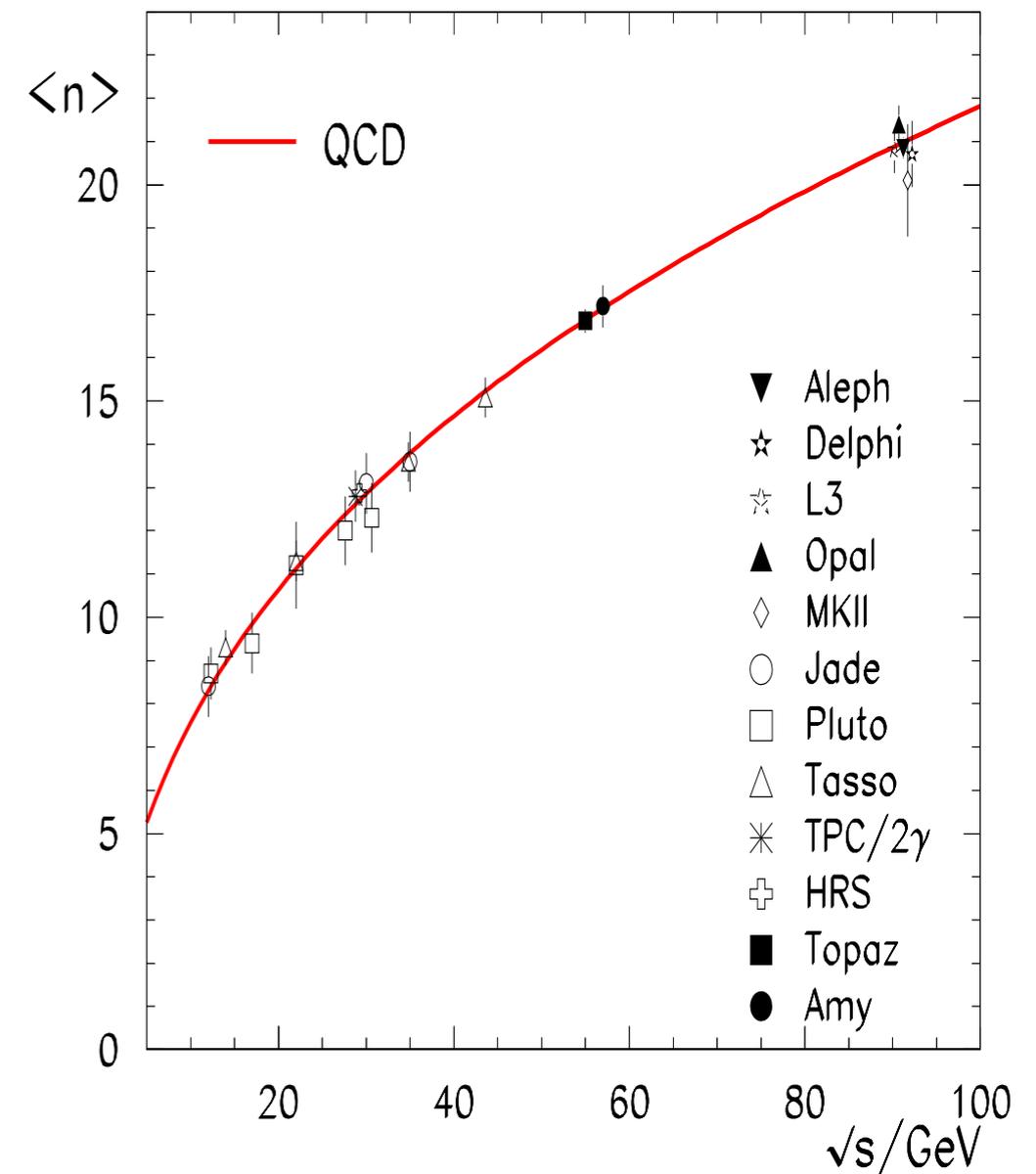
It turns out you can calculate the gluon multiplicity analytically, by summing all orders ( $n$ ) of perturbation theory:

$$\langle N_g \rangle \sim \sum_n \frac{1}{(n!)^2} \left( \frac{C_A}{\pi b} \ln \frac{Q}{\Lambda} \right)^n$$
$$\sim \exp \sqrt{\frac{4C_A}{\pi b} \ln \frac{Q}{\Lambda}}$$

Compare to data for **hadron** multiplicity ( $Q \equiv \sqrt{s}$ )

Including some other higher-order terms and fitting overall normalisation

**Agreement is amazing!**



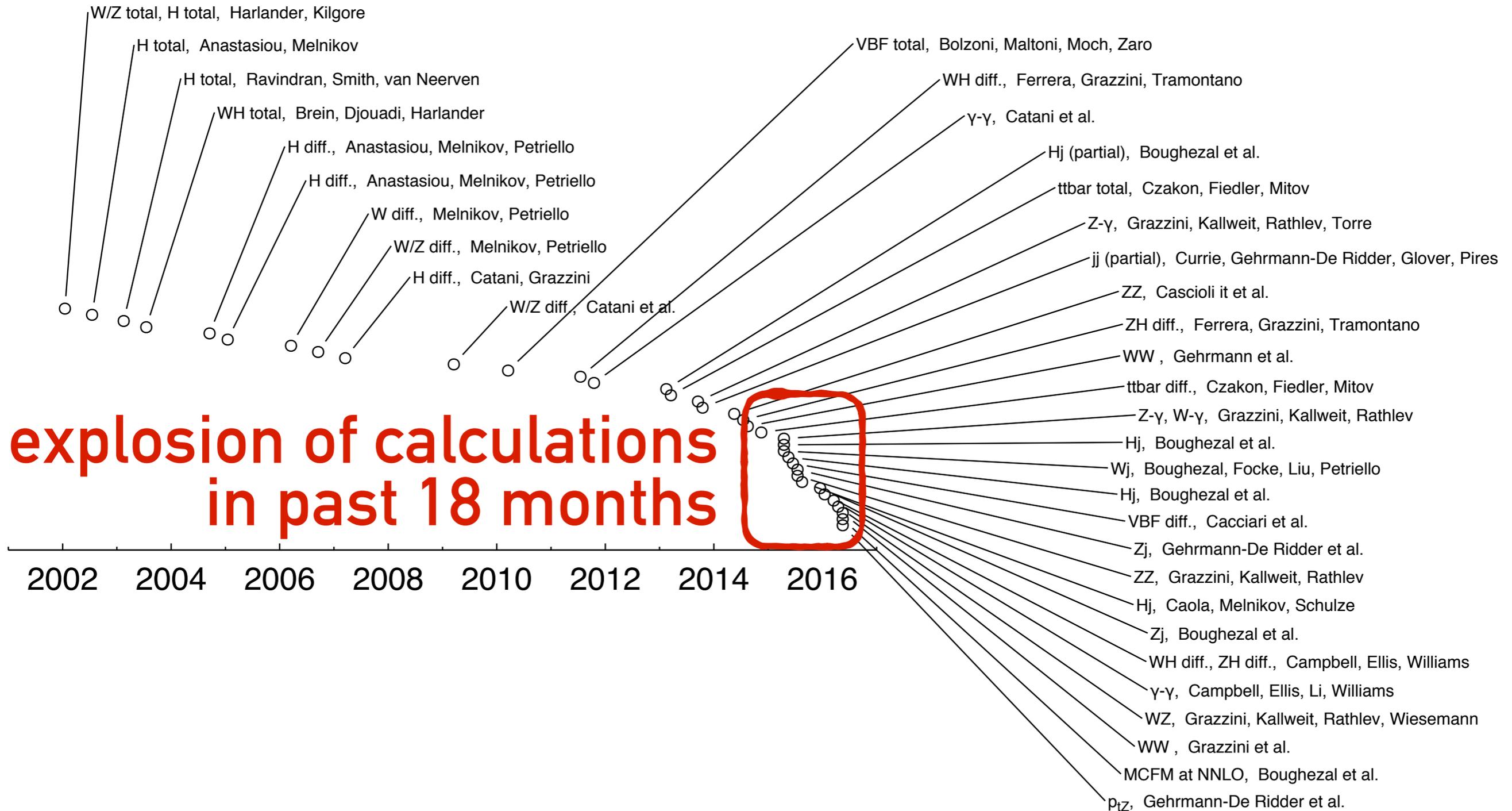
charged hadron multiplicity  
in  $e^+e^-$  events  
adapted from ESW

**nnlo**

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# NNLO hadron-collider calculations v. time

*let me know of any significant omissions*



# Combining 2-loops / 1-loop / tree

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$f(z)$  is some function with finite limit for  $z \rightarrow 0$

## “SLICING”

$$\sigma = \left( c - \ln \frac{1}{\text{cut}} \right) \cdot f(0) + \int_{\text{cut}}^1 dz \frac{f(z)}{z}$$

*virtual & counterterm:  
get from soft-collinear  
resummation*

*real part:  
use MC integration  
(cut has to be small,  
but not too small)*

qT-subtraction: Catani, Grazzini

N-jettiness subtraction: Boughezal, Focke, Liu, Petriello; Gaunt, Stahlhofen, Tackmann, Walsh

## Combining 2-loops / 1-loop / tree

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## LOCAL SUBTRACTION

$$\sigma = c \cdot f(0) + \int_0^1 dz \left[ \frac{f(z)}{z} - \frac{f(0)}{z} \right]$$

*virtual & counterterm:*

*may need (tough)*

*analytic calc<sup>n</sup>*

*real part:*

*MC integration is finite*

*even without cut*

Sector decomposition: Anastasiou, Melnikov, Petriello; Binoth, Heinrich

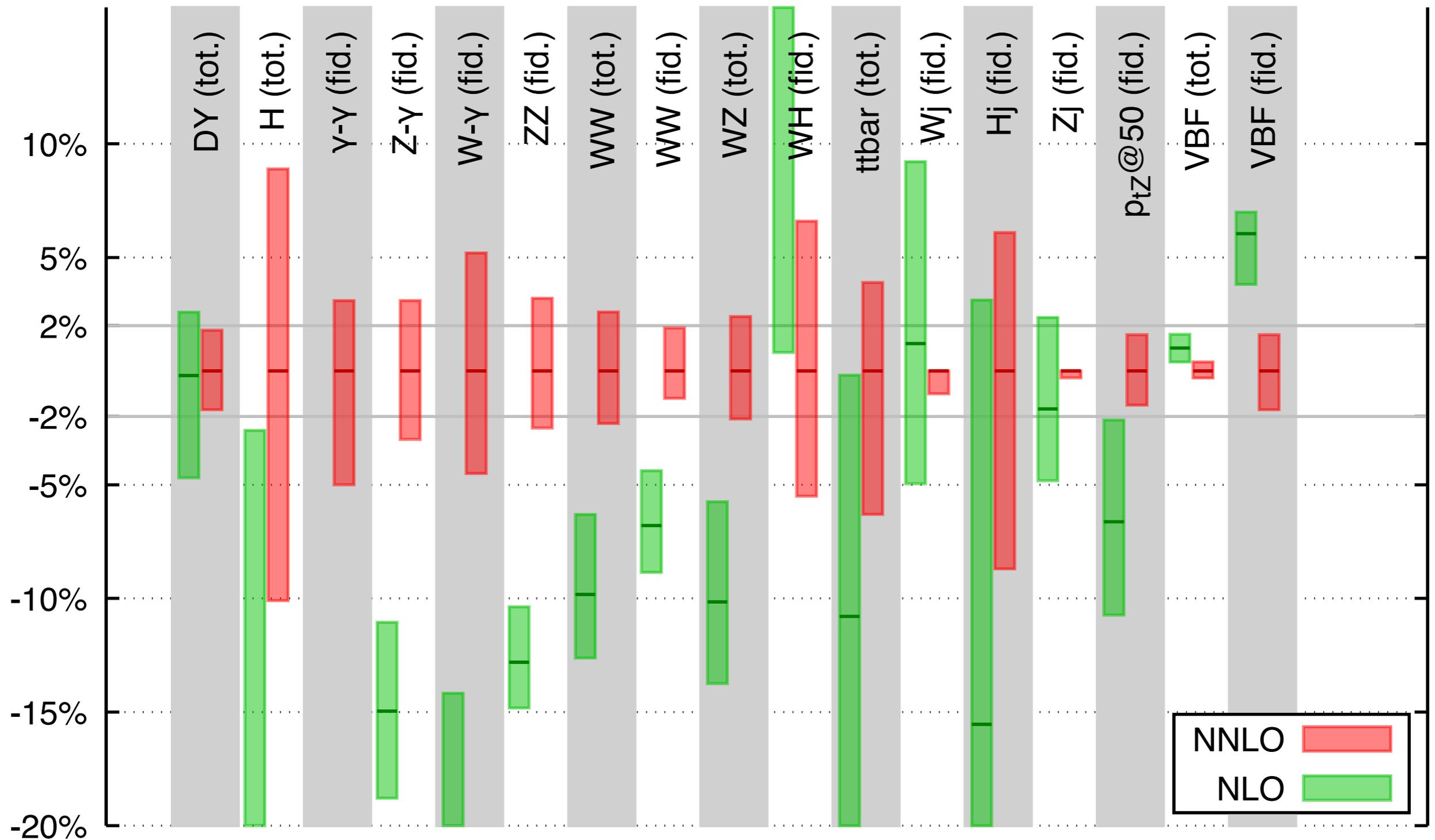
Antennae subtraction: Kosower; Gehrmann, Gehrmann-de Ridder, Glover

Sector-improved residue subtraction: Czakon; Boughezal, Melnikov, Petriello

CoLoRful subtraction: Del Duca, Somogyi, Trocsanyi

Projection-to-Born: Cacciari, Dreyer, Karlberg, GPS, Zanderighi

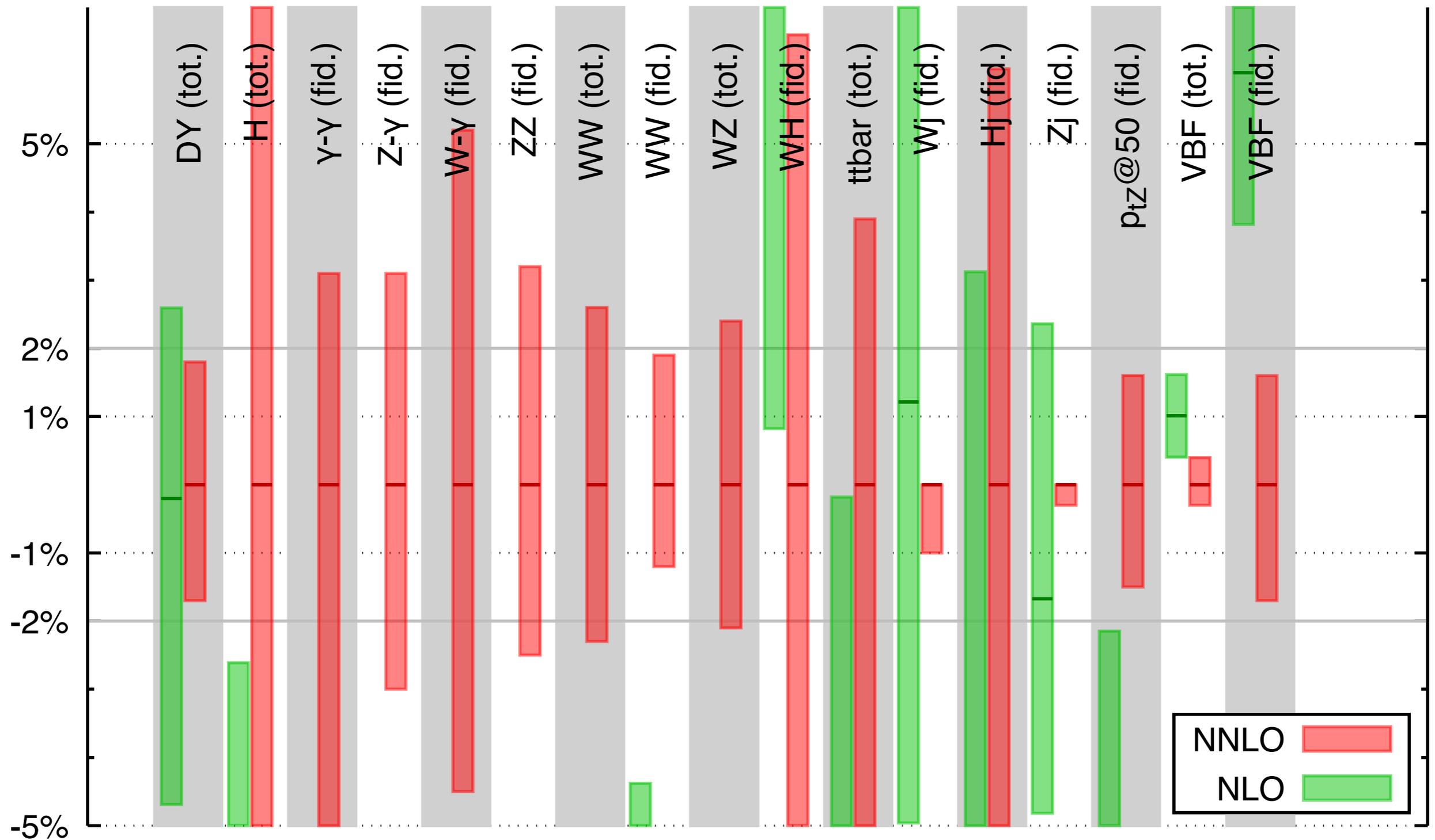
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# Processes currently known through NNLO

dijets	$O(3\%)$	gluon-gluon, gluon-quark	PDFs, strong couplings, BSM
H+0 jet	$O(3-5 \%)$	fully inclusive (N3LO)	Higgs couplings
H+1 jet	$O(7\%)$	fully exclusive; Higgs decays, infinite mass tops	Higgs couplings, Higgs $p_t$ , structure for the ggH vertex.
tT pair	$O(4\%)$	fully exclusive, stable tops	top cross section, mass, $p_t$ , FB asymmetry, PDFs, BSM
single top	$O(1\%)$	fully exclusive, stable tops, t-channel	$V_{tb}$ , width, PDFs
WBF	$O(1\%)$	exclusive, VBF cuts	Higgs couplings
W+j	$O(1\%)$	fully exclusive, decays	PDFs
Z+j	$O(1-3\%)$	decays, off-shell effects	PDFs
ZH	$O(3-5 \%)$	decays to bb at NLO	Higgs couplings (H-> bb)
ZZ	$O(4\%)$	fully exclusive	Trilinear gauge couplings, BSM
WW	$O(3\%)$	fully inclusive	Trilinear gauge couplings, BSM
top decay	$O(1-2 \%)$	exclusive	Top couplings
H -> bb	$O(1-2 \%)$	exclusive, massless	Higgs couplings, boosted

done ~ in past year

*K. Melnikov @ KITP*

# n3lo

**Higgs via  
gluon fusion**

**Higgs via  
weak-boson  
fusion**

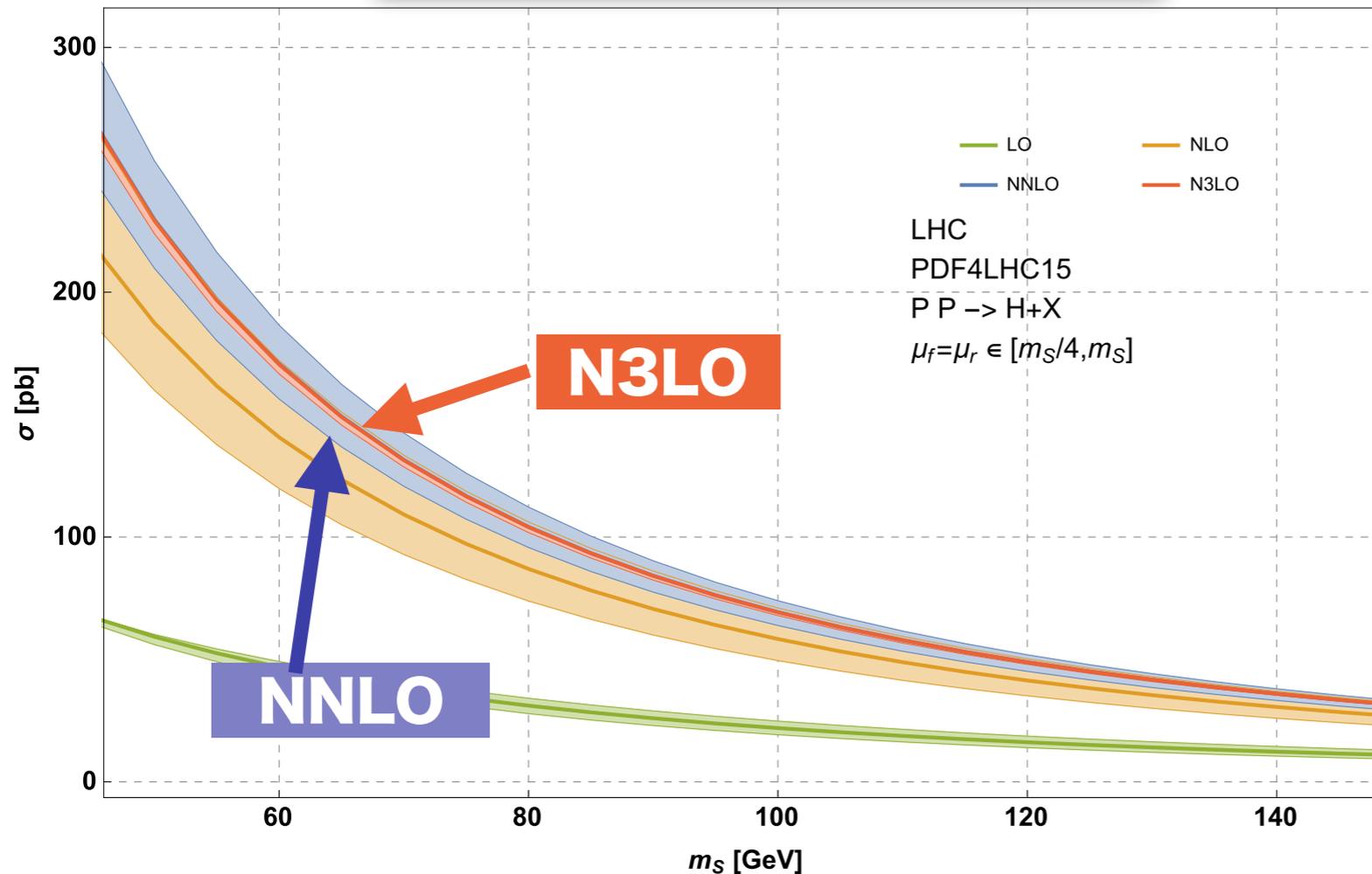
**PDFs?**

# N3LO CONVERGENCE?

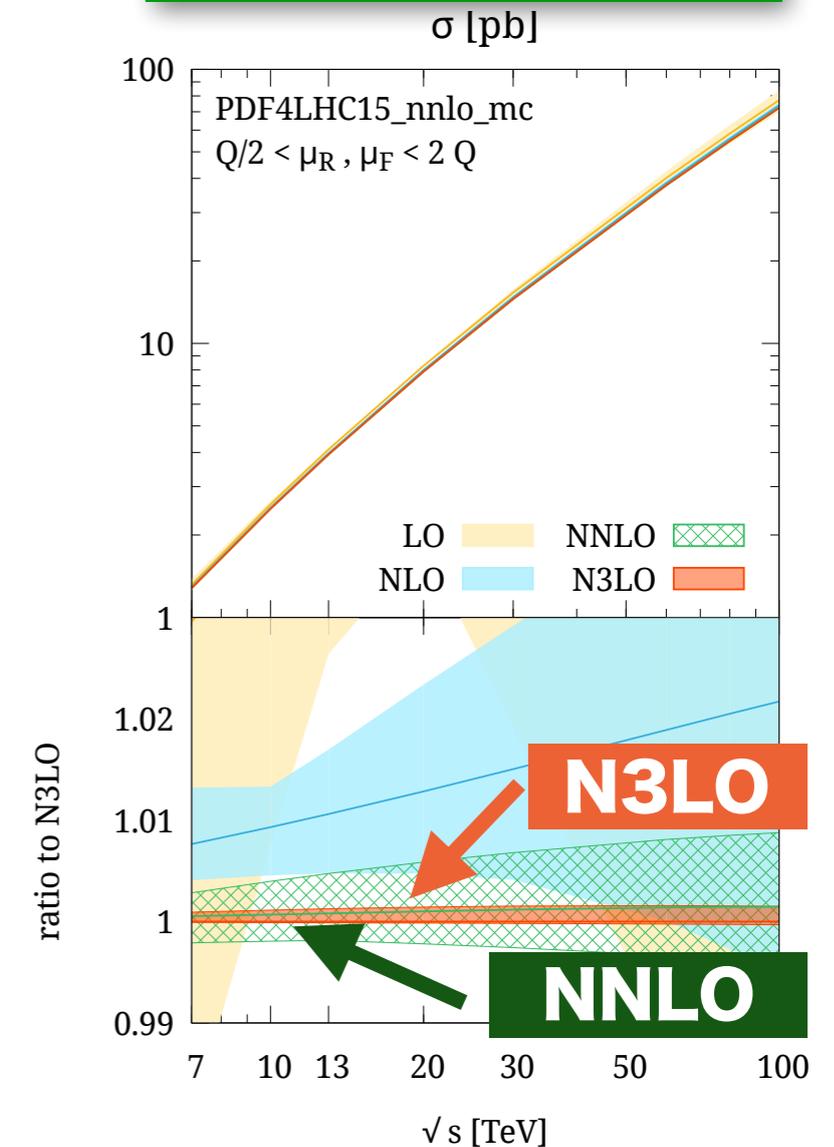
Anastasiou et al, 1602.00695

Dreyer & Karlberg, 1606.00840

## N3LO ggF Higgs



## N3LO VBF Higgs



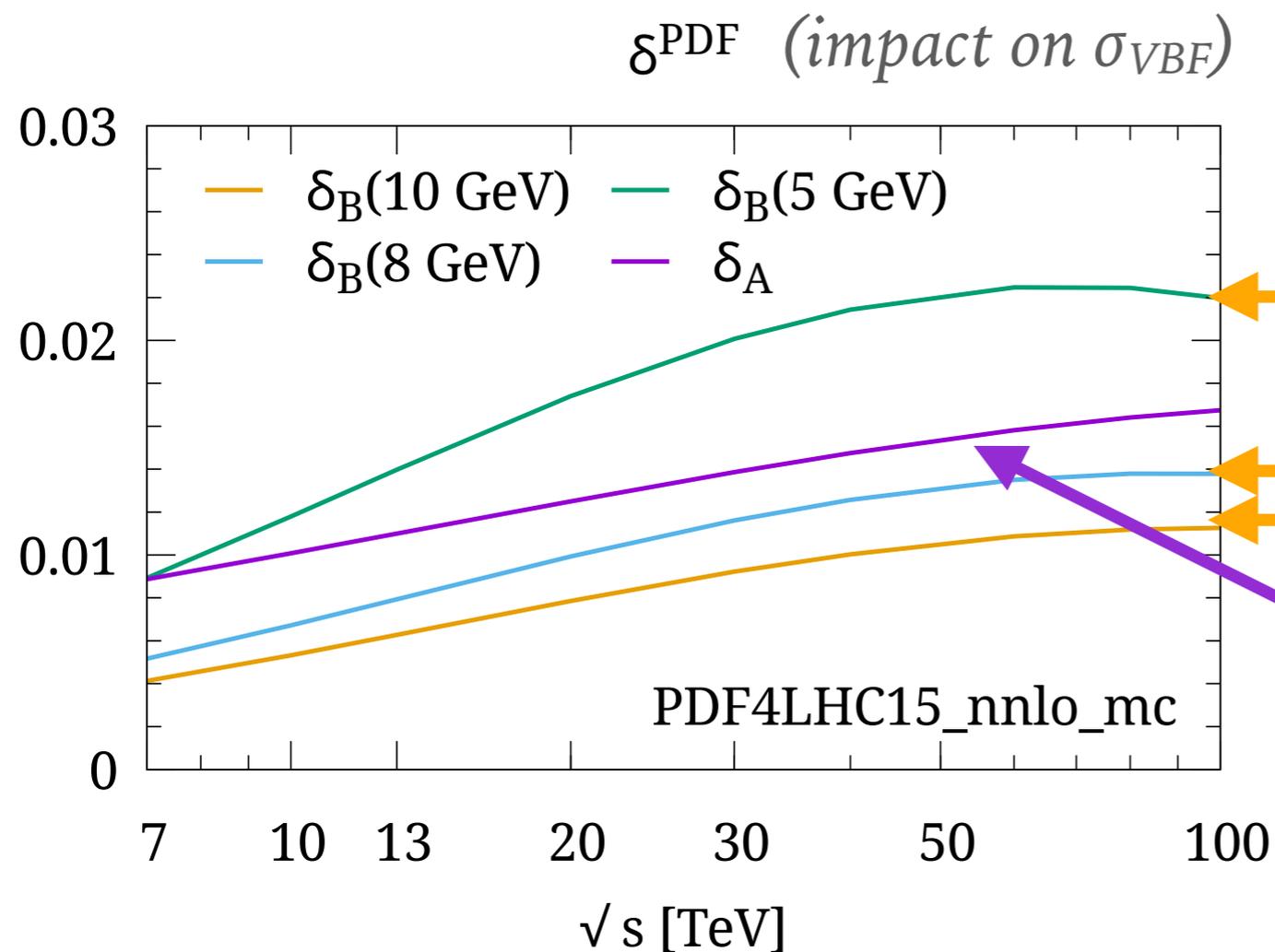
VBF converges much faster than ggF

But both calc<sup>ns</sup> share feature that NNLO fell outside NLO scale band, while N3LO (with good central scale choice) is very close to NNLO

# N3LO PDFS ?

N3LO splitting functions not known. But N3LO DIS coefficient functions are known and their impact for quarks is  $\gg$  NNLO splitting-function scale variation ( $\sim 0.1\%$ )

*Dreyer & Karlberg, 1606.00840*



**impact of N3LO  
coefficient functions  
non-negligible on PDFs**

$$\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\text{NNLO}}{\text{NLO}} - 1 \right)$$

**First results on N3LO splitting-fn moments** e-Print: [arXiv:1605.08408](https://arxiv.org/abs/1605.08408)

**First Forcer results on deep-inelastic scattering and related quantities**

B. Ruijl, T. Ueda, J.A.M. Vermaseren (NIKHEF, Amsterdam), J. Davies, A. Vogt (Liverpool U., Dept. Math.).

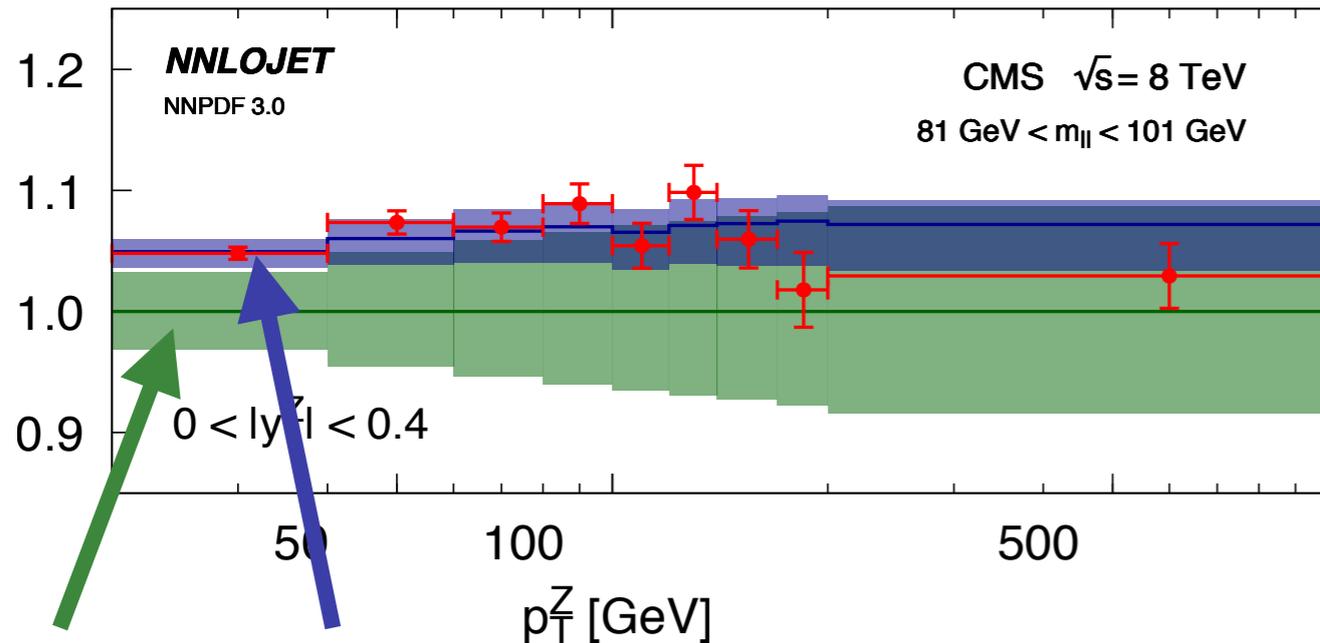
**Z pT**

# Z $p_T$ : Data v. two theory calculations

**NNLO  $\sim \pm 1.5\%$**

$p p \rightarrow Z + \geq 0 \text{ jet}$  ( $p_T^Z > 20 \text{ GeV}$ )

NLO — NNLO — Data —●—



**NLO**

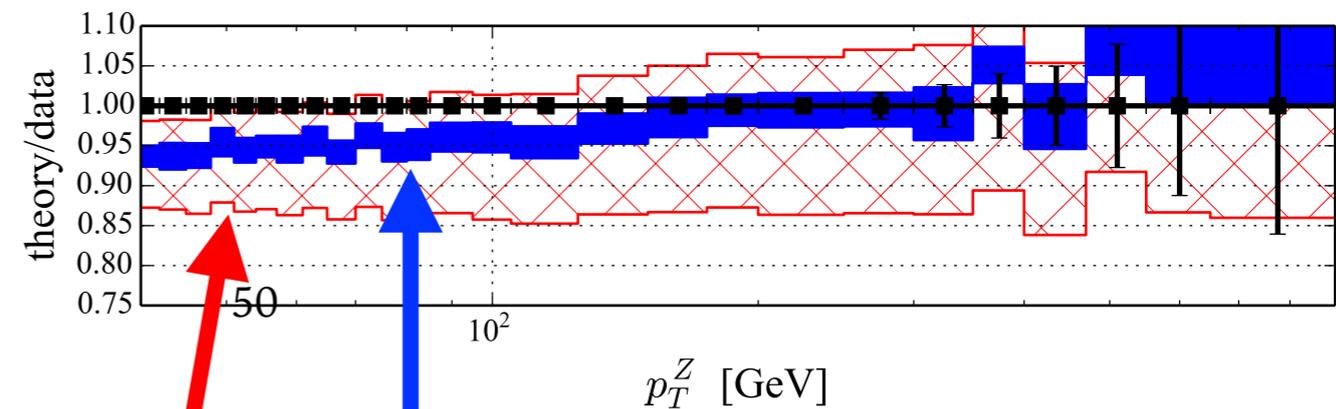
**NNLO**

*Gehrmann-de Ridder, Gehrmann  
Glover, Huss & Morgan*

*arXiv:1605.04295*

8 TeV ATLAS Z

(CT14)

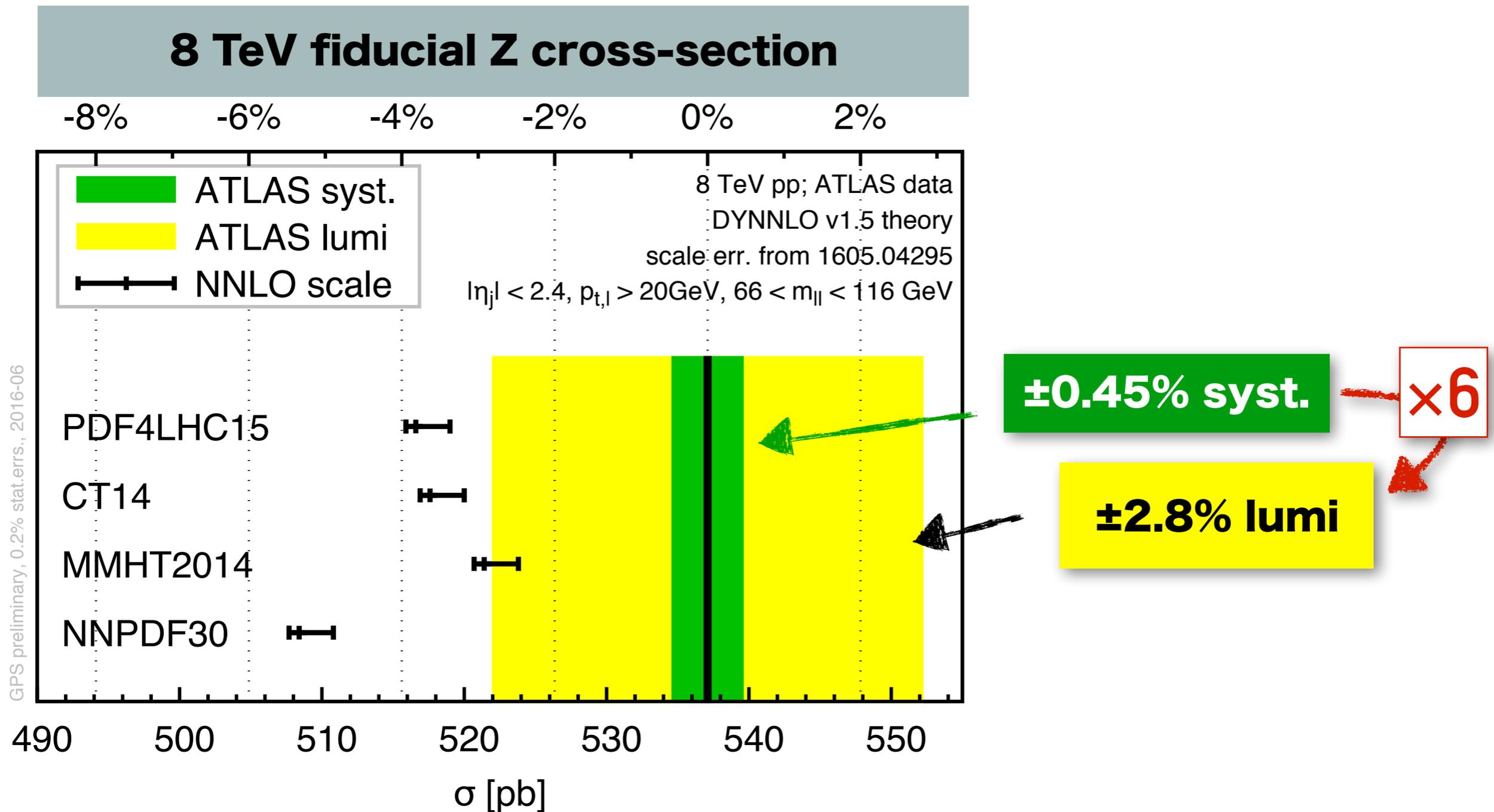


**NLO**

**NNLO**

*Boughezal, Liu & Petriello  
'16 preliminary*

# X-sections normalised to Z are great, **if we understand Z production**



Up to 5% discrepancy?

Are NNLO scale errors ( $\sim 0.5\%$ ) a reliable indicator of uncertainties?

Does it matter, given the large luminosity uncertainty?