

**Lecture 2: pQCD at hadron colliders, new perturbative methods,
collinear factorisation, parton densities and jets**

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Strong interactions at colliders



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THE THEORY OF ALMOST EVERYTHING

The Standard Model,
the Unsung Triumph of Modern Physics

ROBERT OERTER

- ▶ SM based in the simplest gauge symmetries: **$SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$**
- ▶ Also the **flavour sector very symmetric (GIM)**
- ▶ The **“natural”** theory at **“low” energies** (below the TeVs)
- ▶ We should expect that it will break at high energies: **departure scale undetermined | no theory guidance**

WHERE TO EXPECT A BSM SIGNAL?

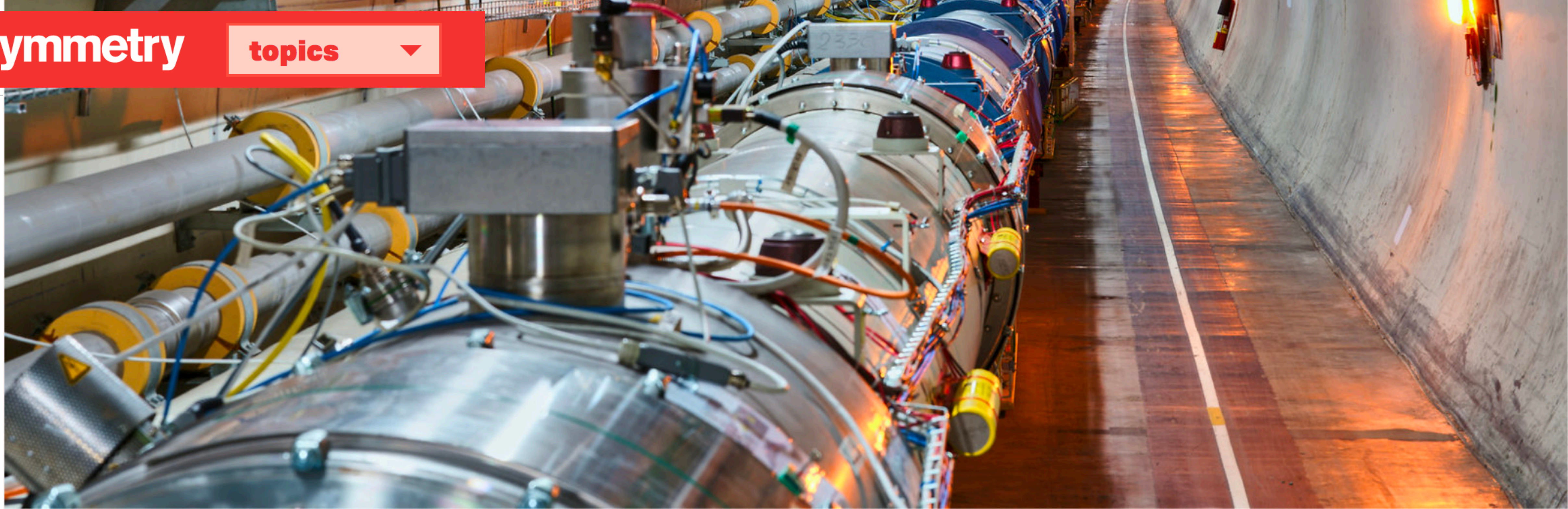
- ▶ LHC results suggest that **new physics** will appear as a **gentle deviation** from the SM predictions / **rare events** suppressed in the SM
- ▶ Very unlikely to be visible in inclusive observables or total decay rates of known particles: the bulk of the contributions at “low energies”, the characteristic hard scale is “**low energy**”
- ▶ Higher chances at the tail of differential distributions (not necessarily a clear bump) “**high energy**” characteristic hard scale: more sensitive to **quantum corrections** / missing quantum corrections can fake BSM





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Precise measurements of known particles and interactions are just as important as finding new particles



Maximilien Brice and Julien Marius Ordan, CERN

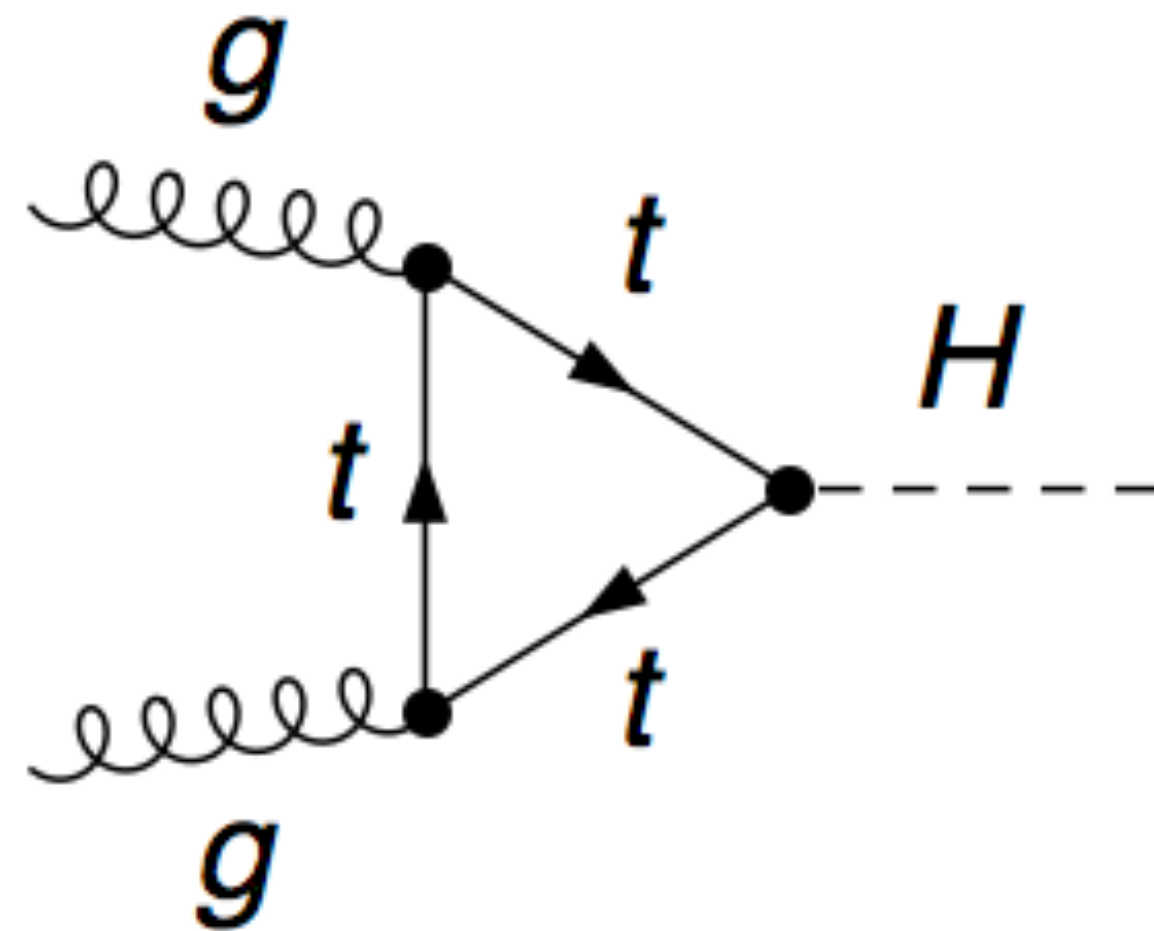
The unseen progress of the LHC

05/02/19 | By Sarah Charley

It's not always about what you discover.

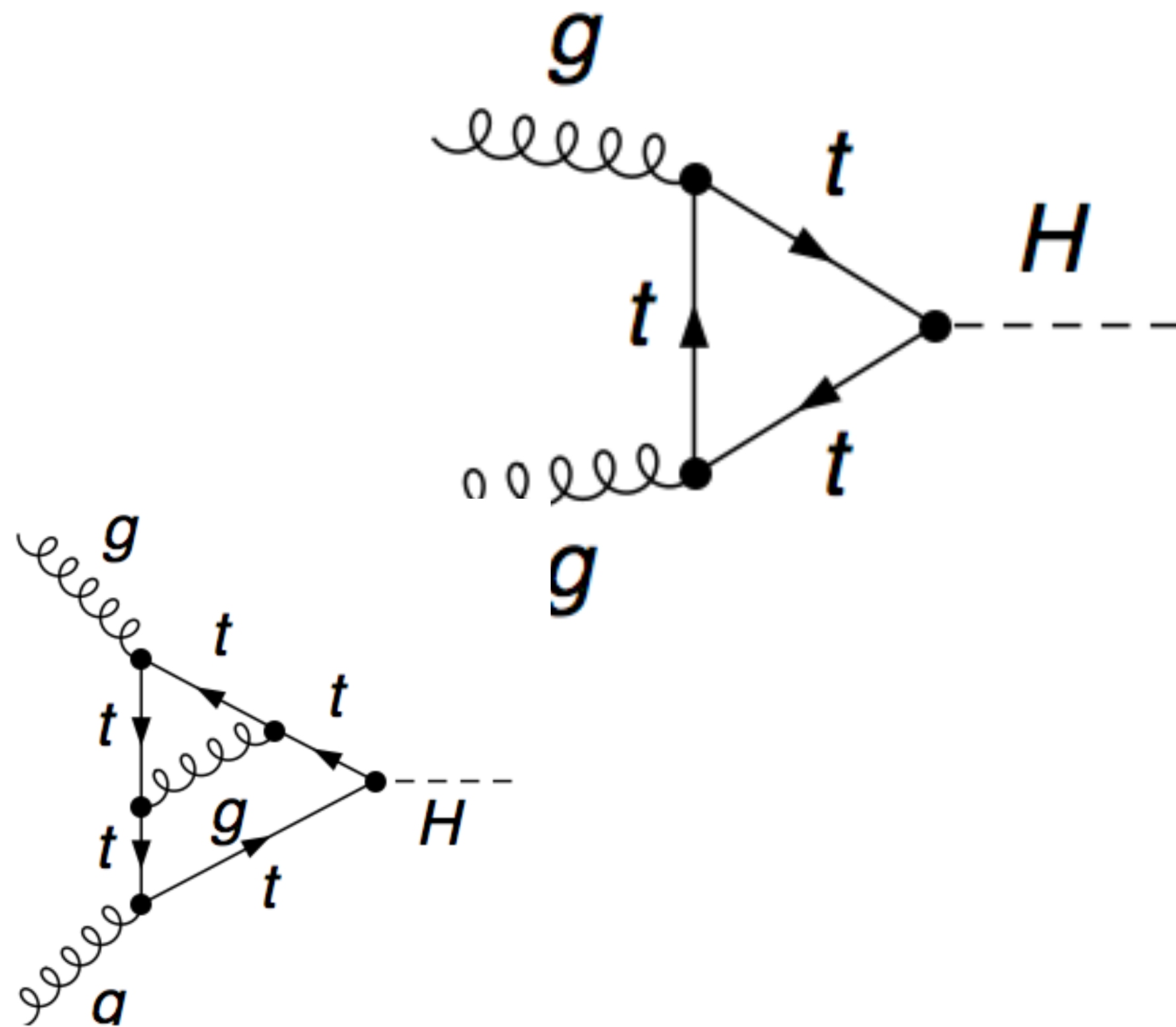
“This work naturally pushes our search methods towards making more detailed and higher precision measurements that will help us constrain possible deviations by new physics,” Willocq says.

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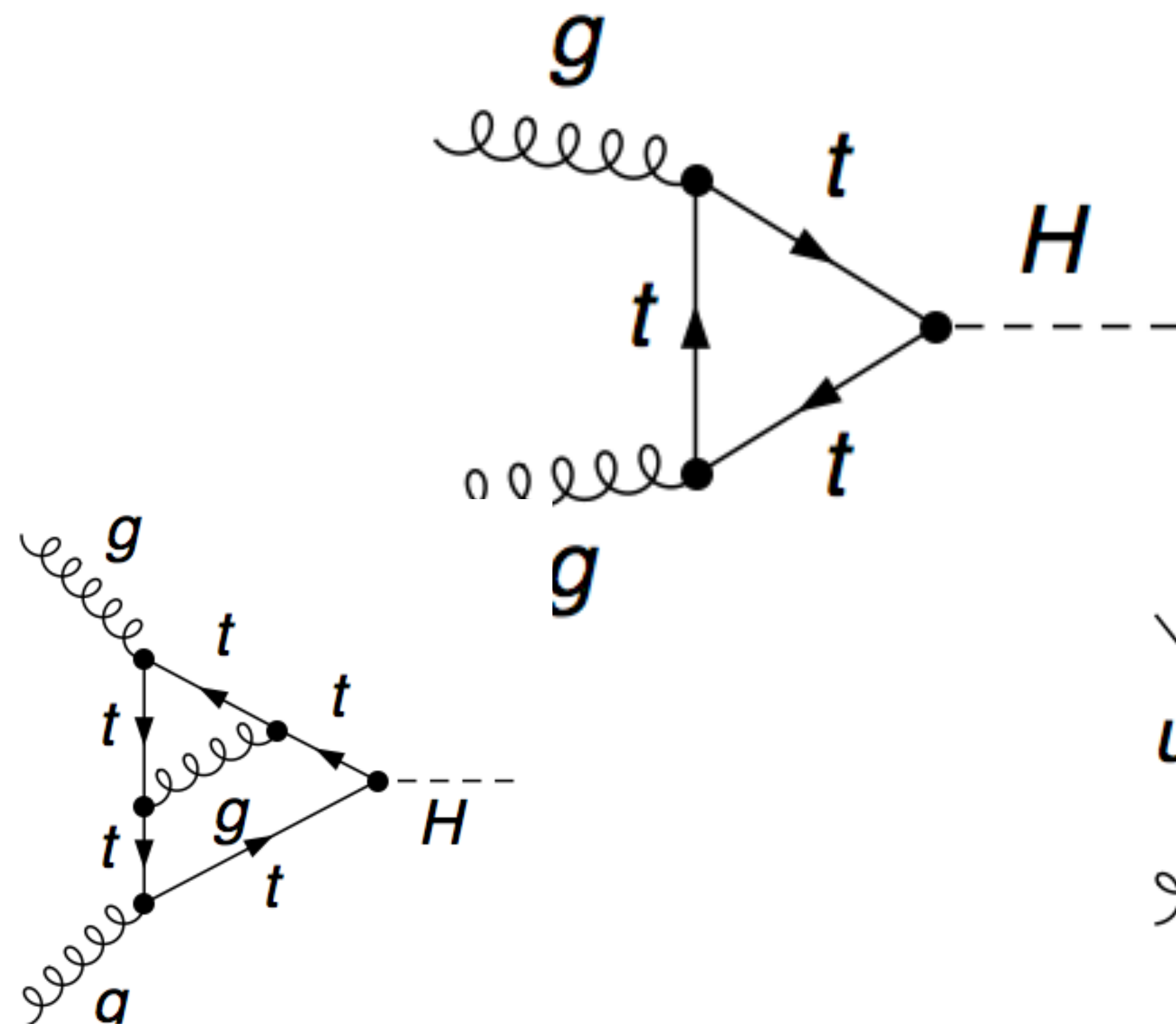
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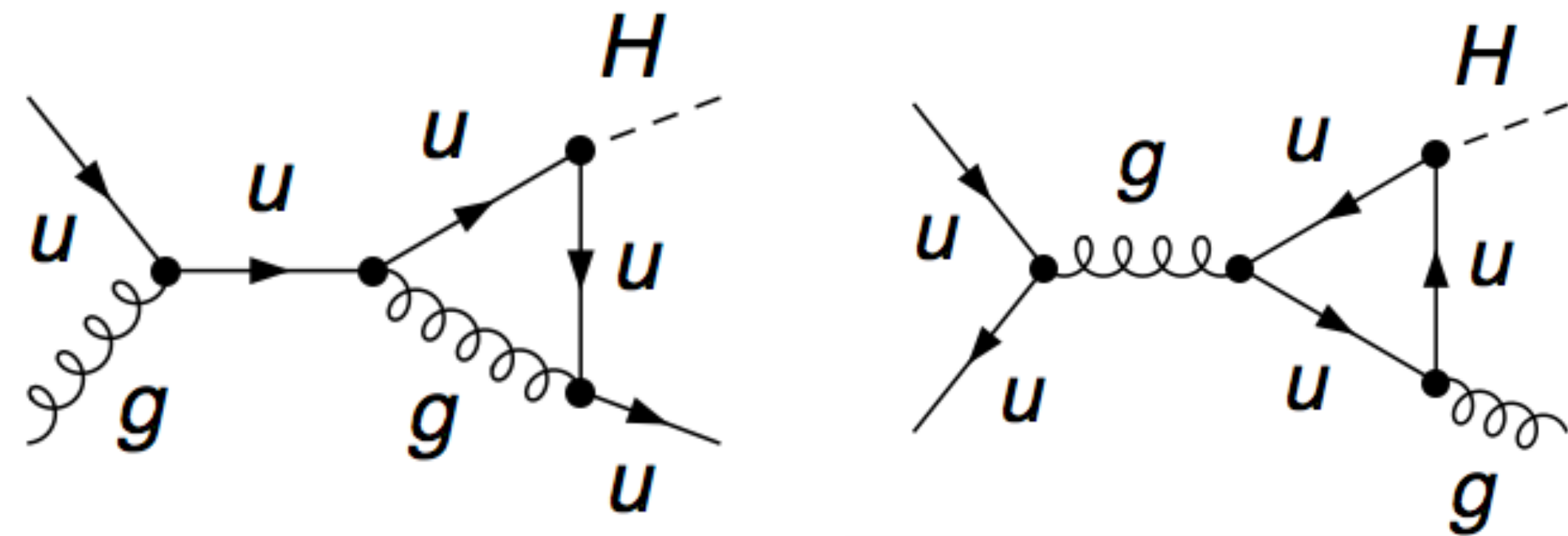
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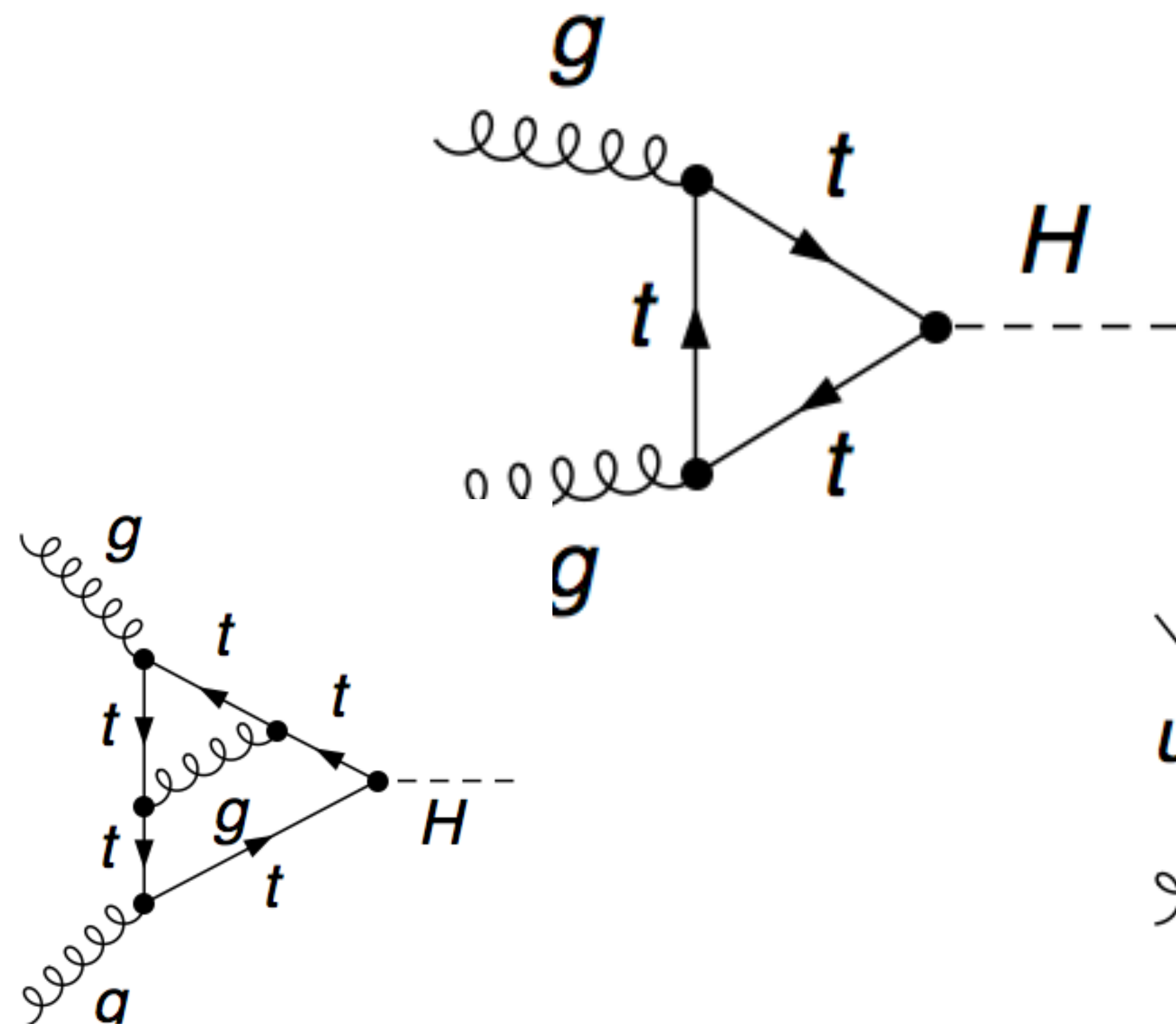
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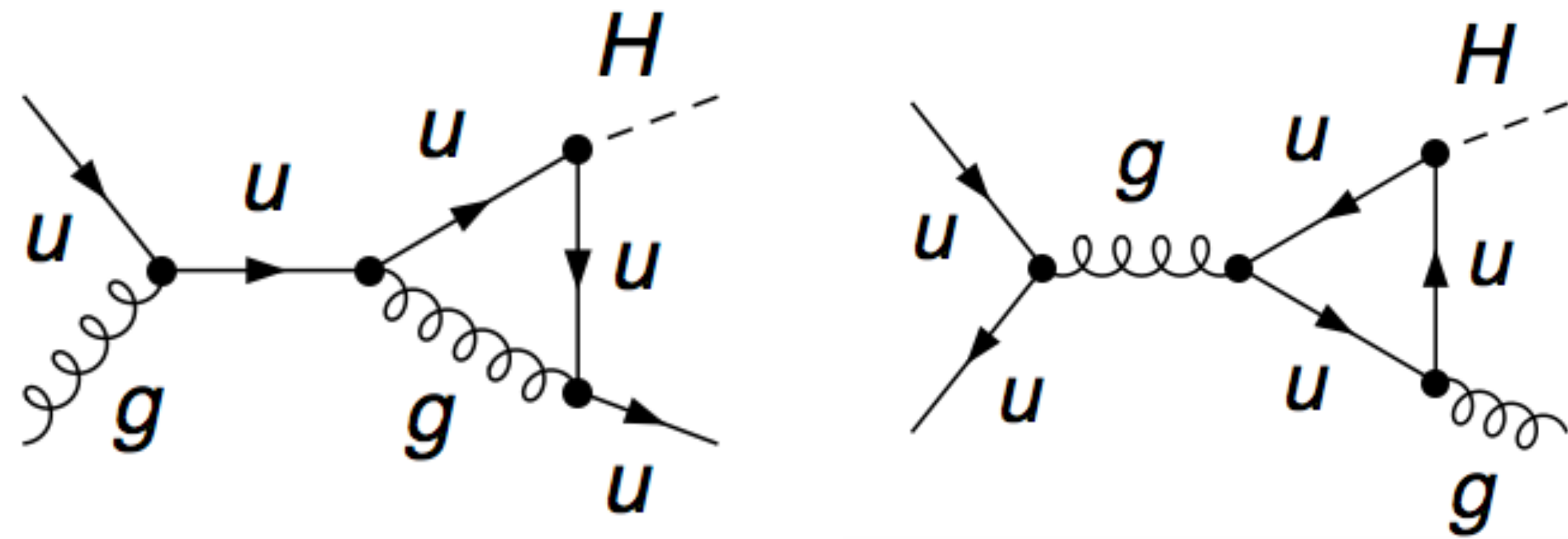


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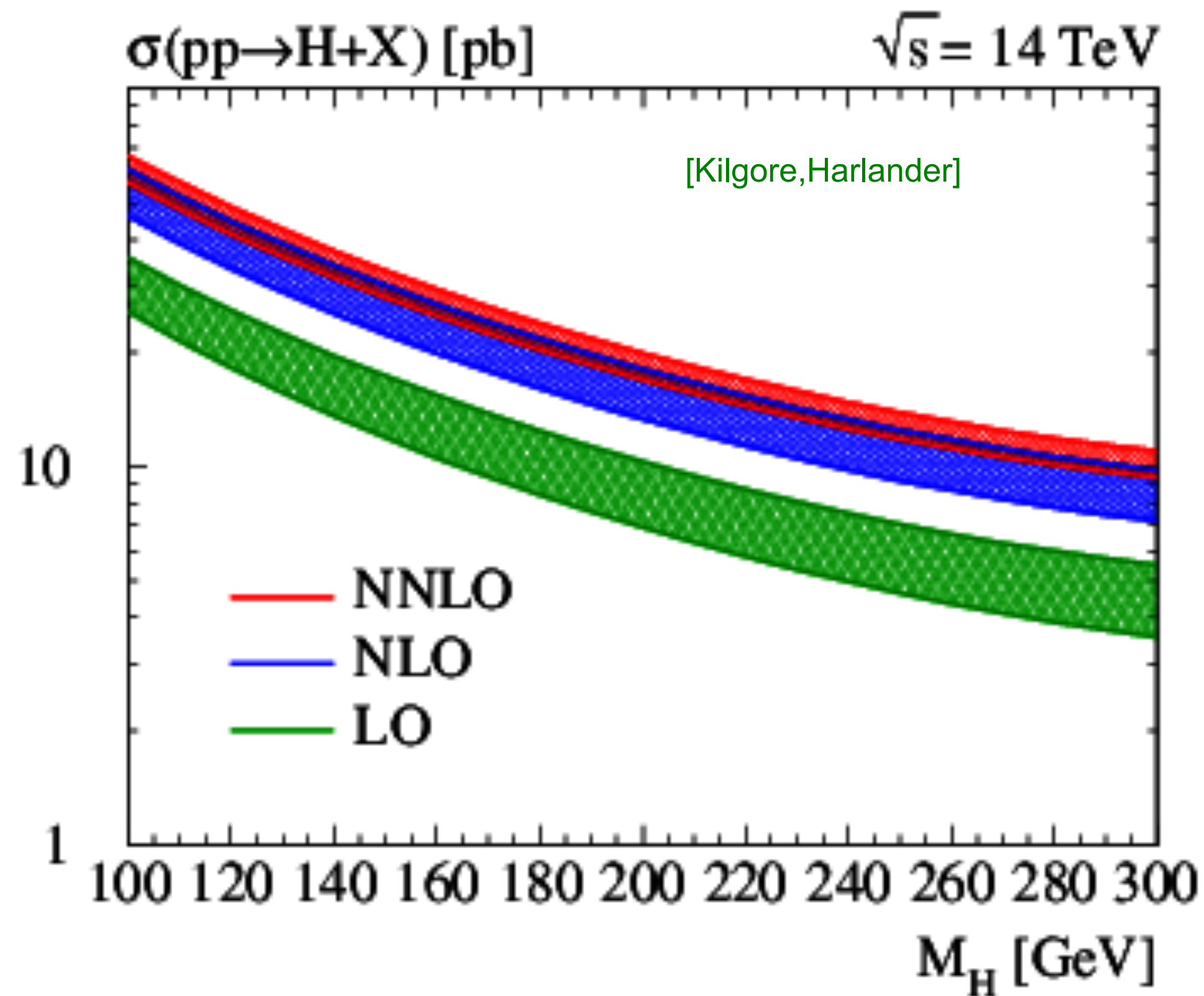


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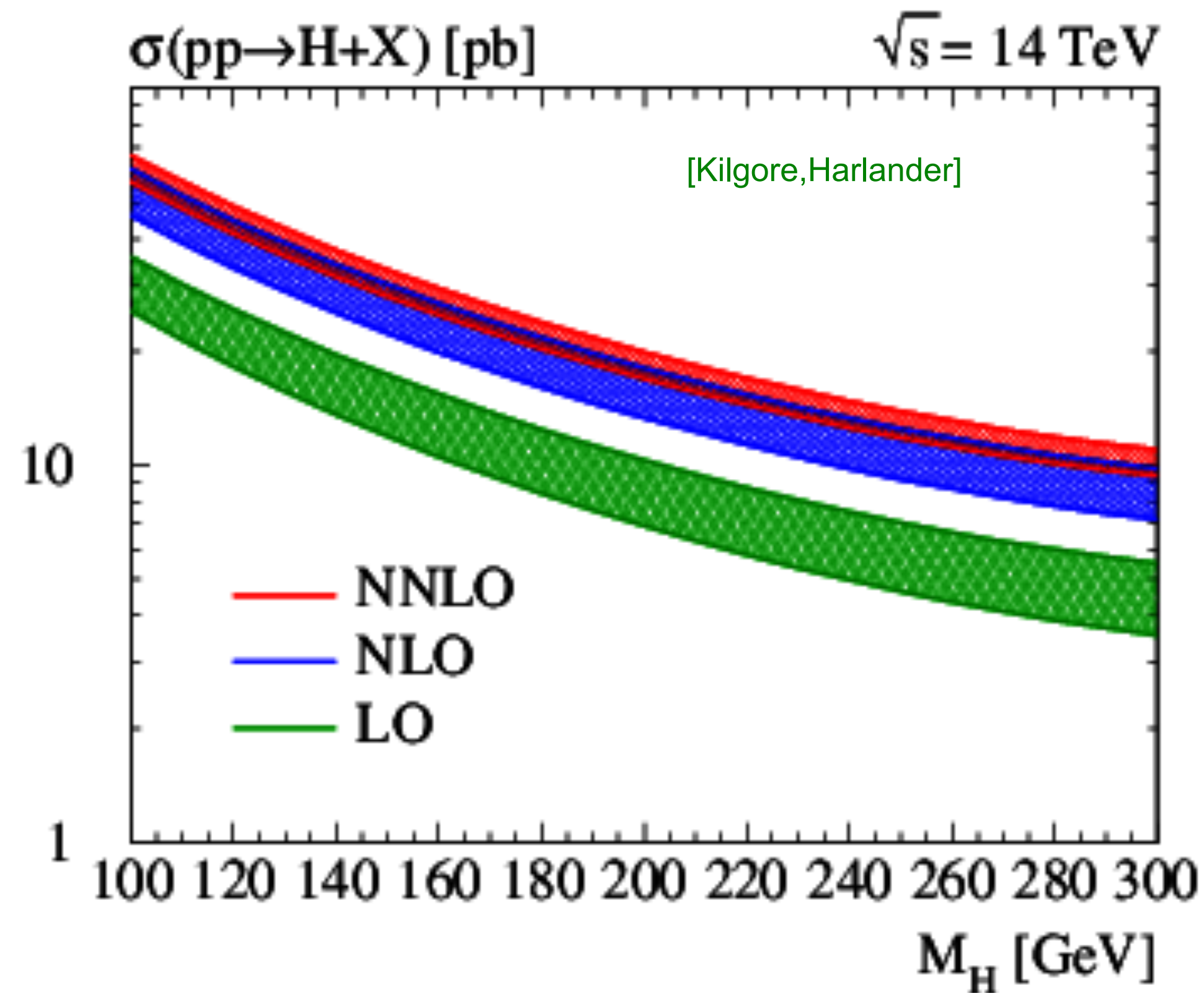
- Only **NNLO** is a correction to all the channels that appear at the NLO

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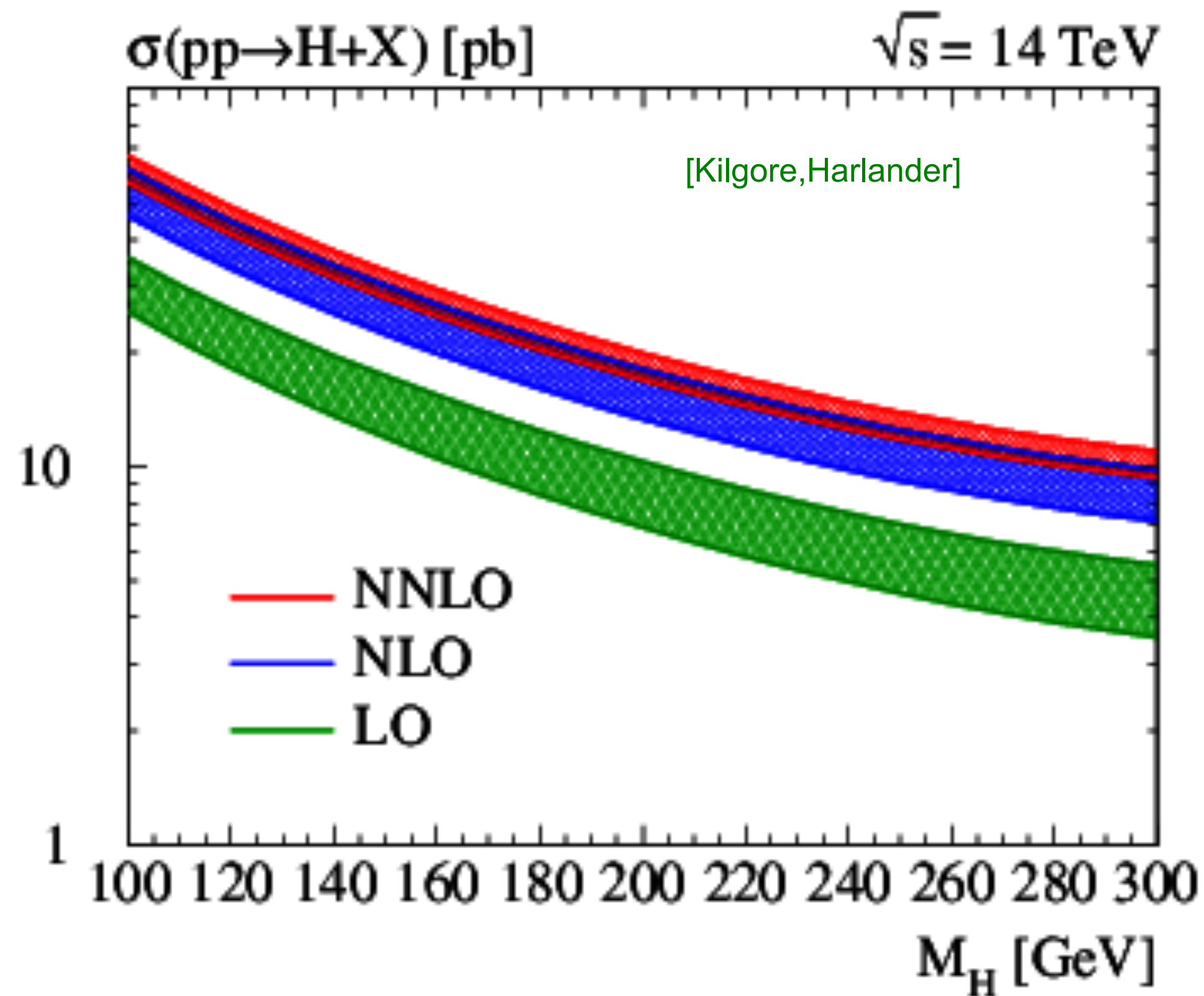
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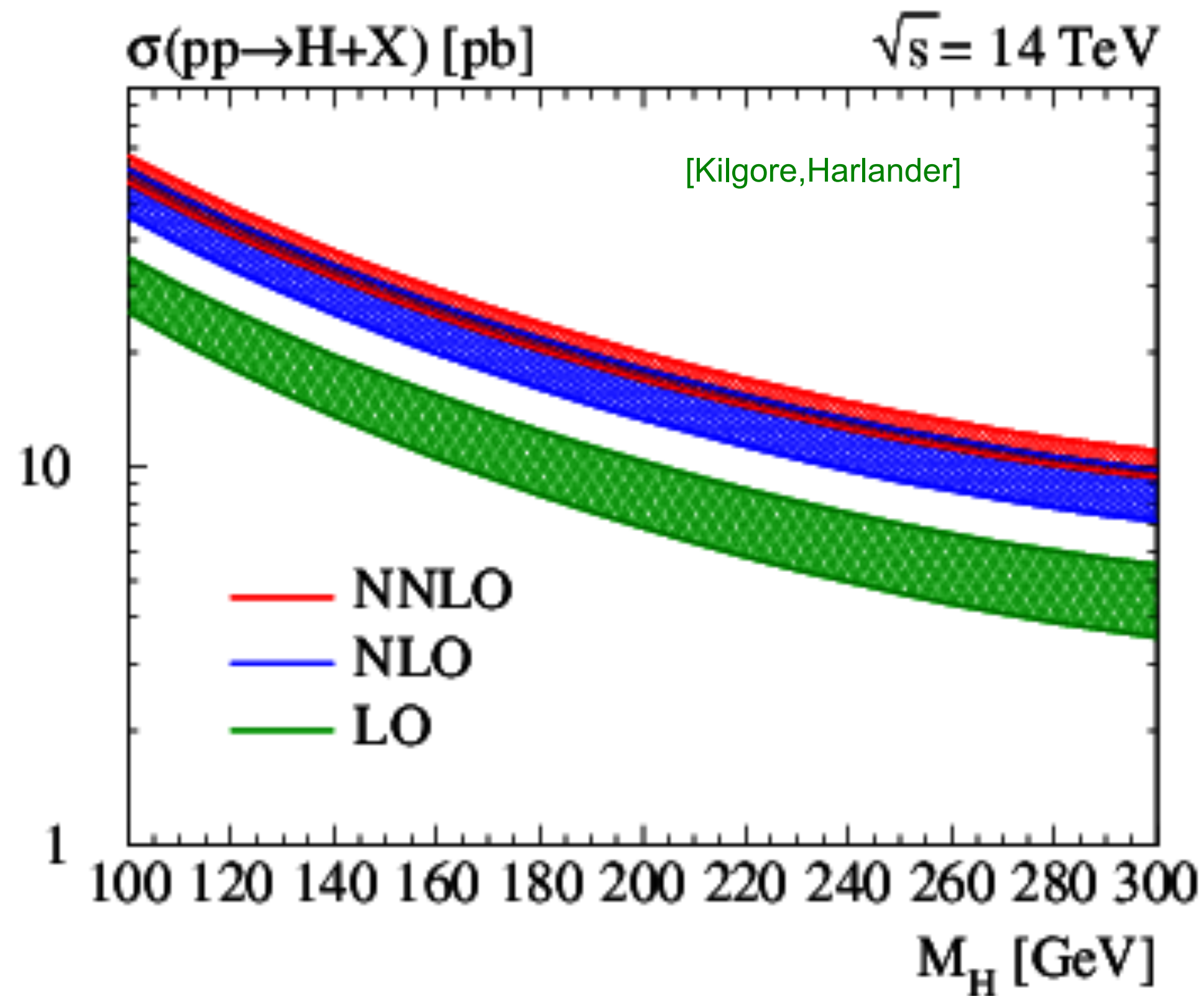
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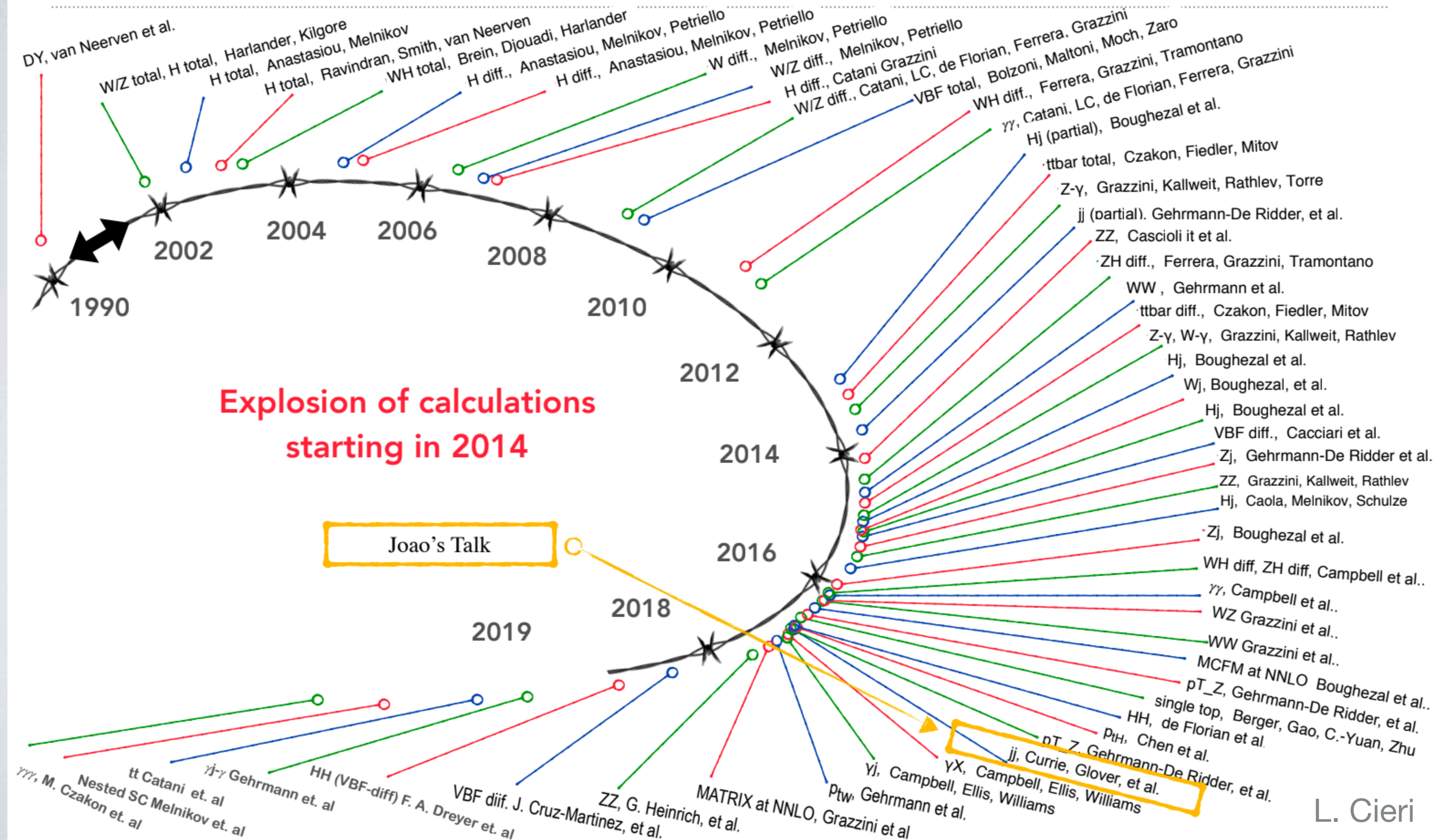


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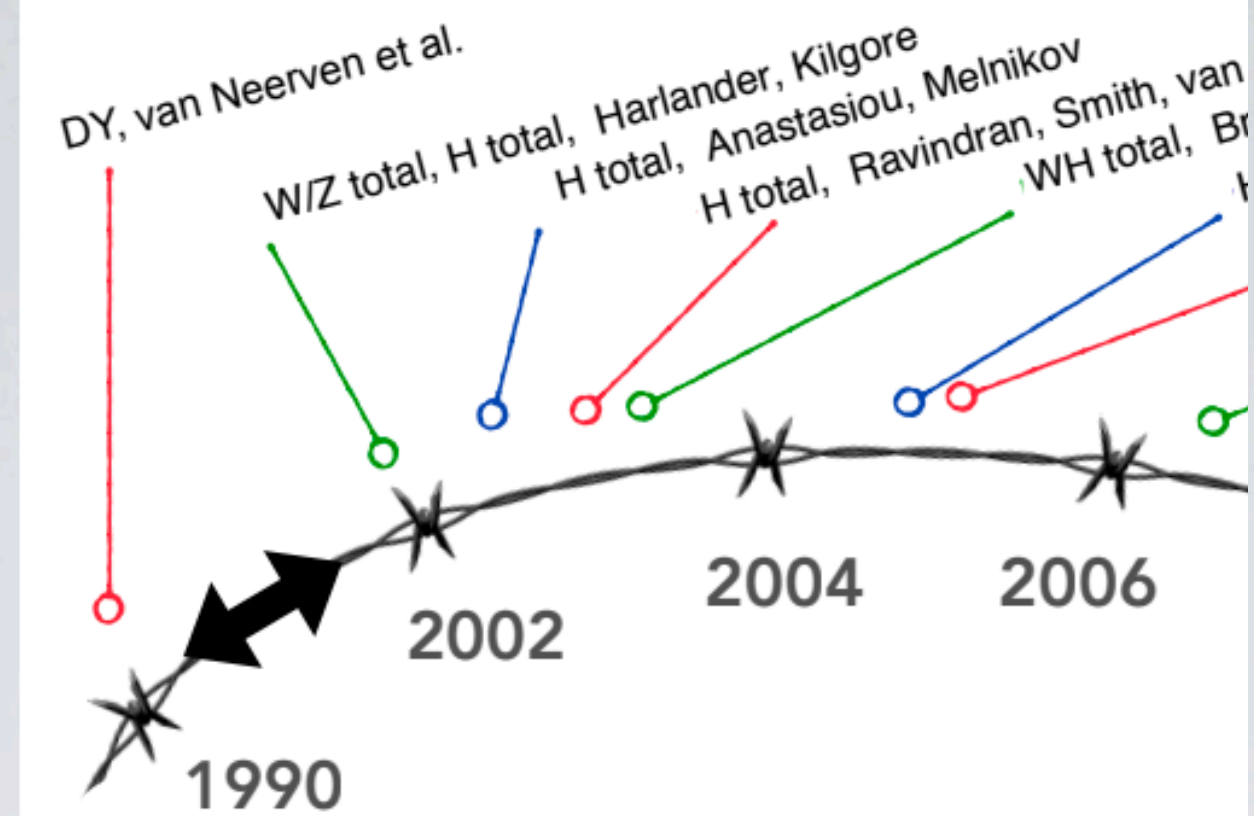


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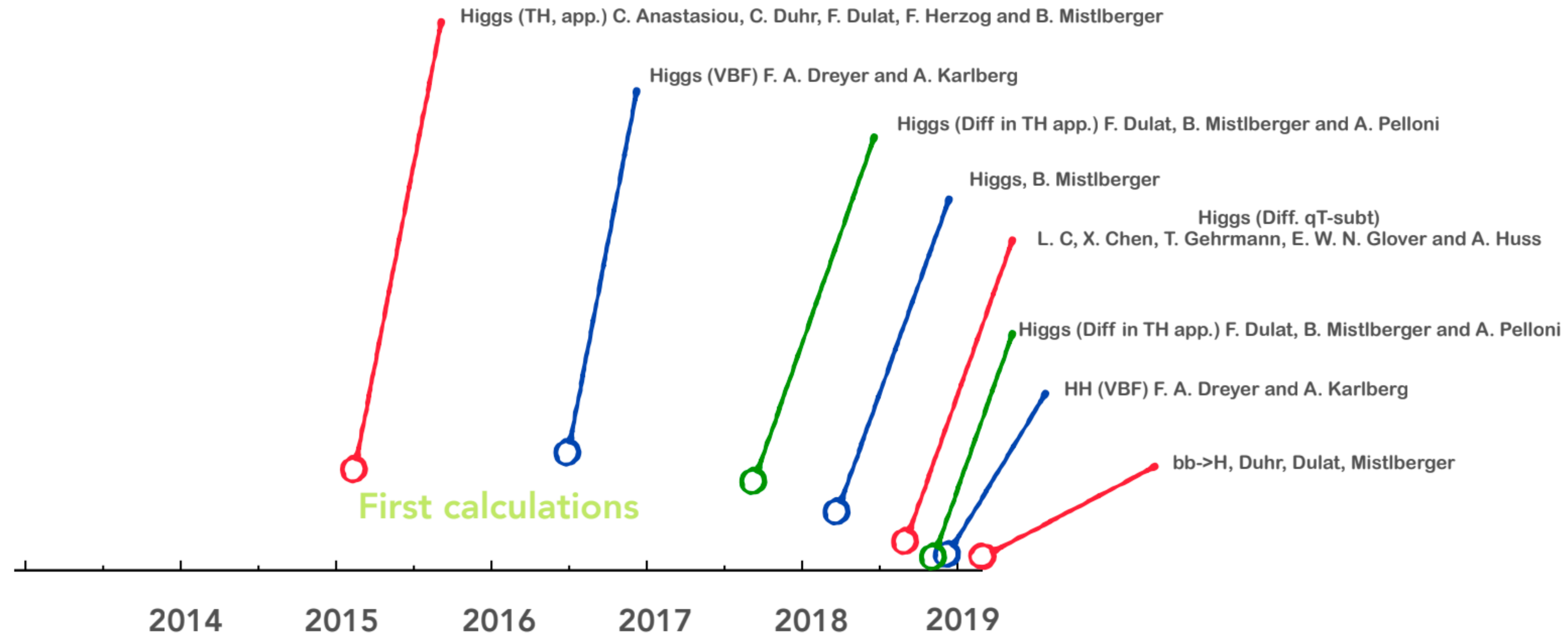
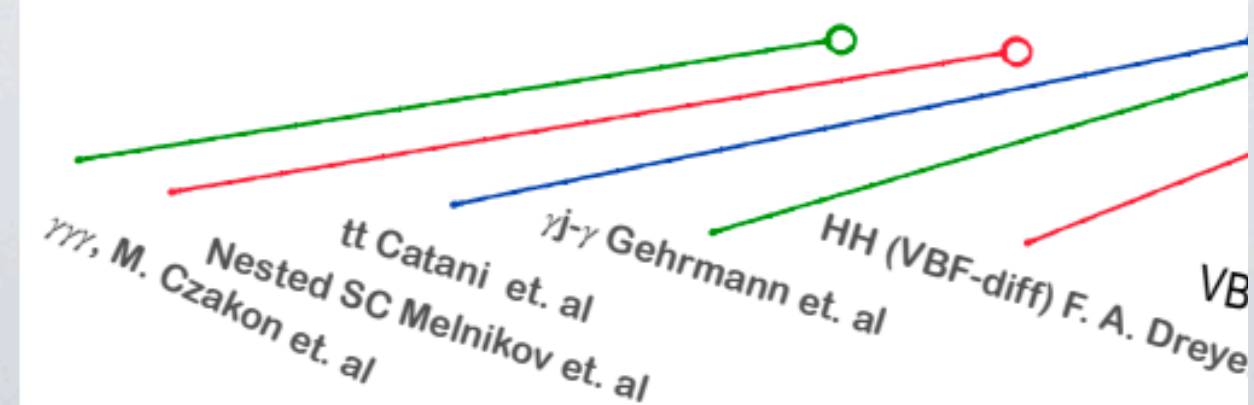
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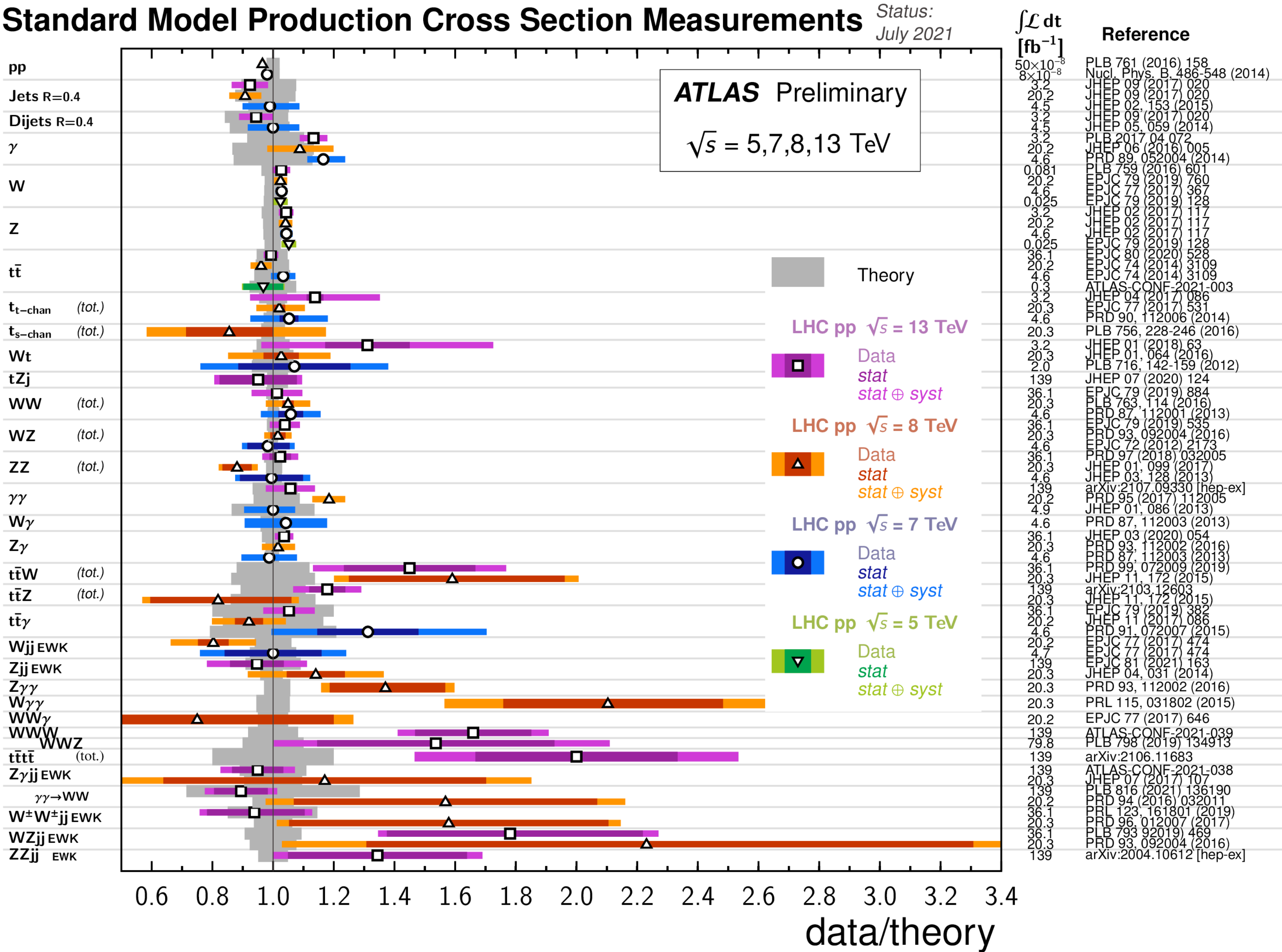


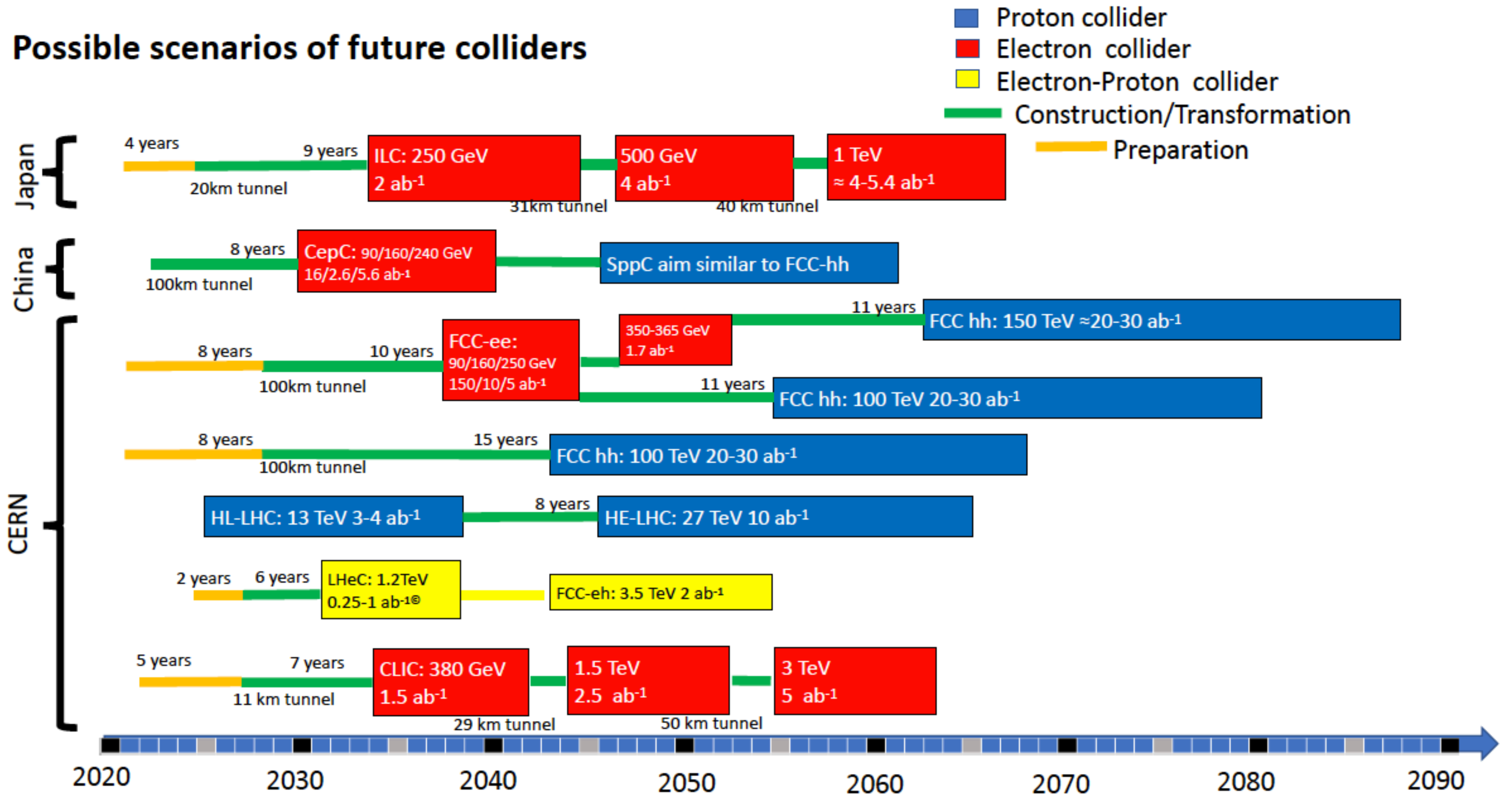
Explosion of calc
starting in 2

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Need for precision @ HL-LHC

- illustrated in the case of Higgs physics
- theory uncertainty (PDF + strong coupling + missing higher orders) dominates in 7/9 channels
- this is **with the assumption of reduction by x2 in today's uncertainties**
- depending on channel, it can be the uncertainties for the signal or the background that dominates.

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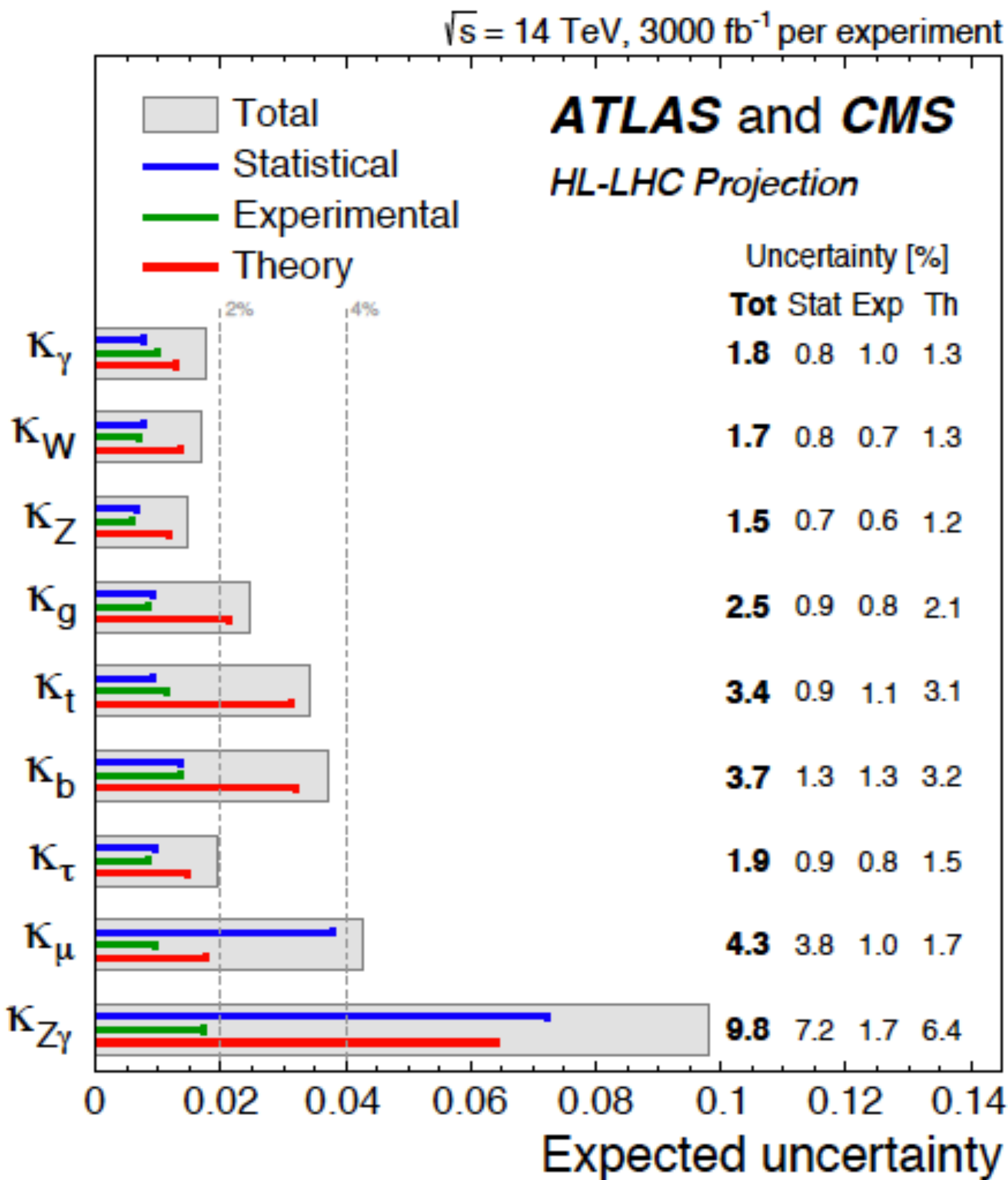


Figure 1. Projected uncertainties on κ_i , combining ATLAS and CMS: total (grey box), statistical (blue), experimental (green) and theory (red). From Ref. [2].

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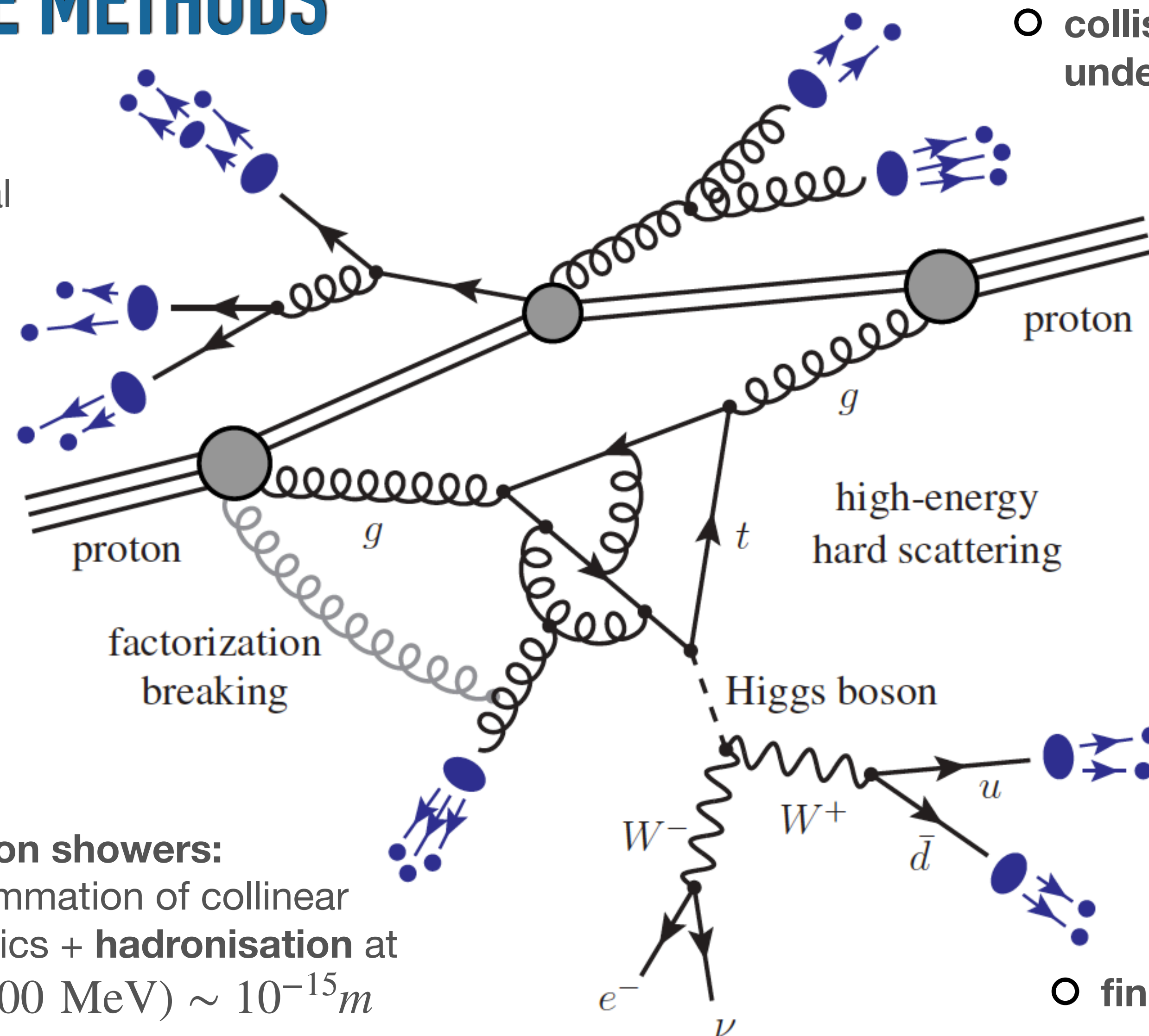
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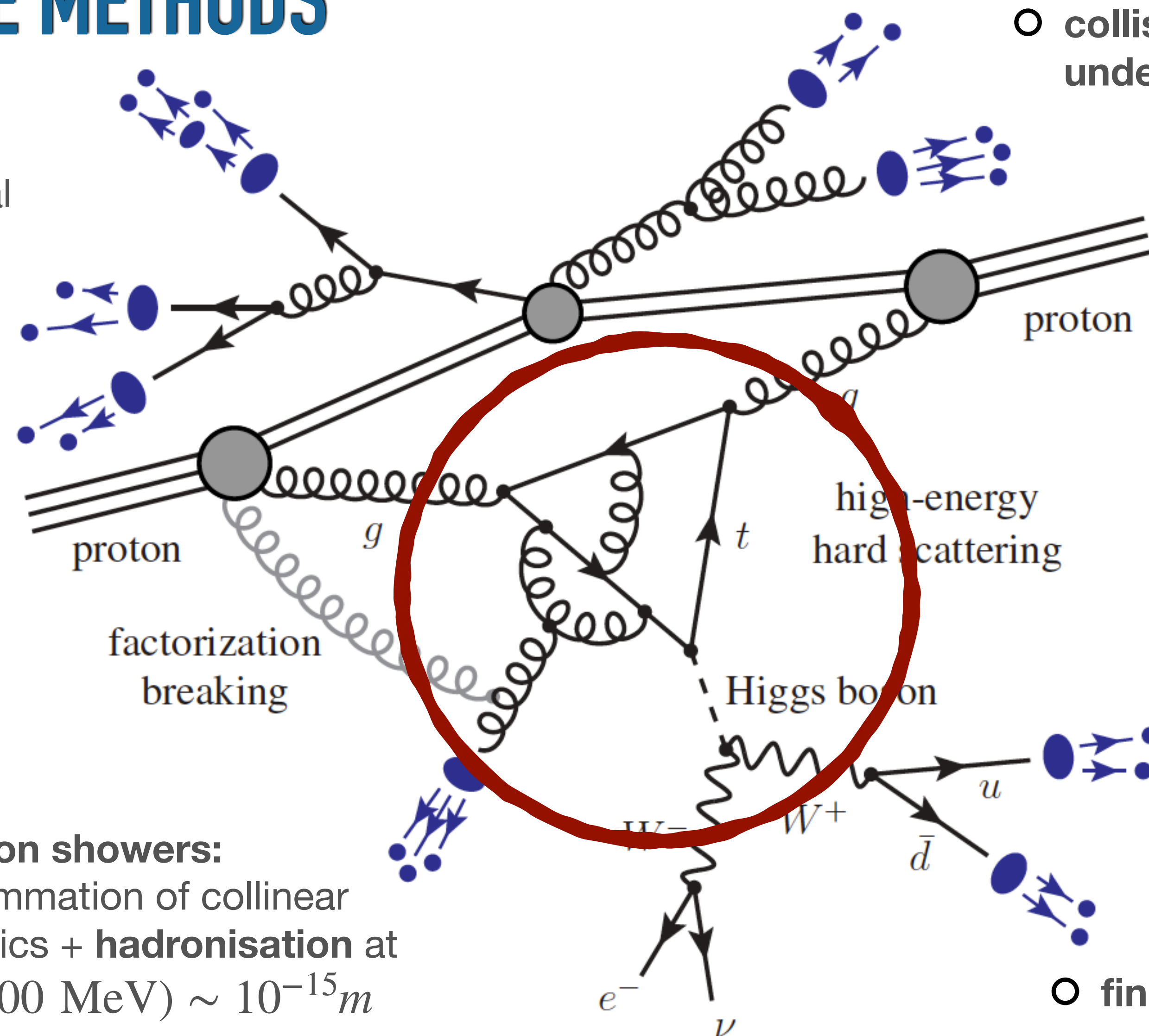


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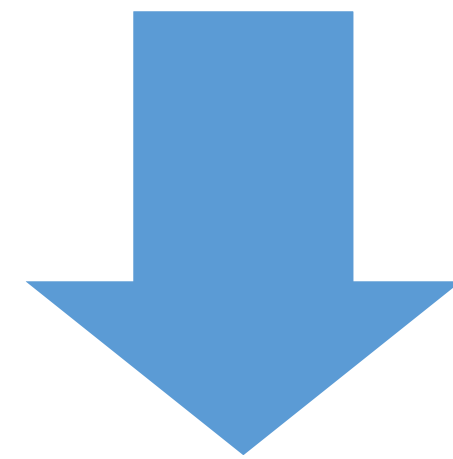
pQFT without Feynman diagrams

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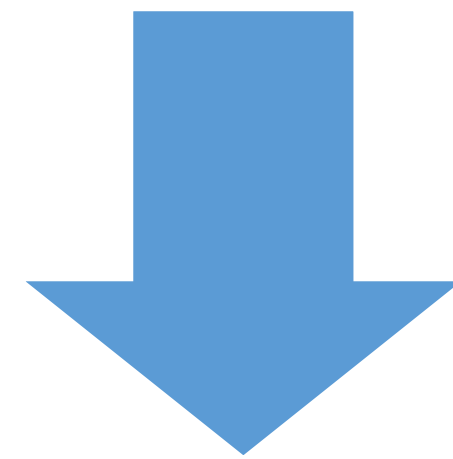
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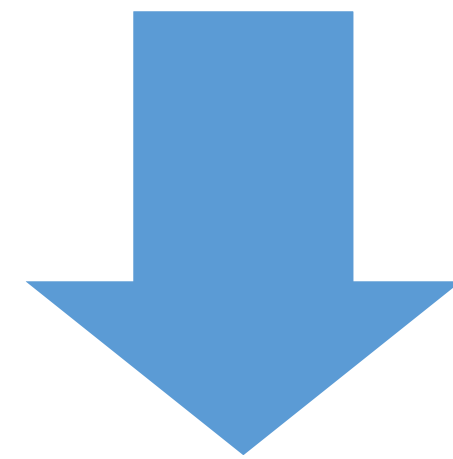
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- At two-loops: reduction to Master Integrals (not unique) e.g. by **Integration-By-Parts** Identities
[Chetyrkin, Tkachov 1981, Tarasov 1998, Laporta 2000]

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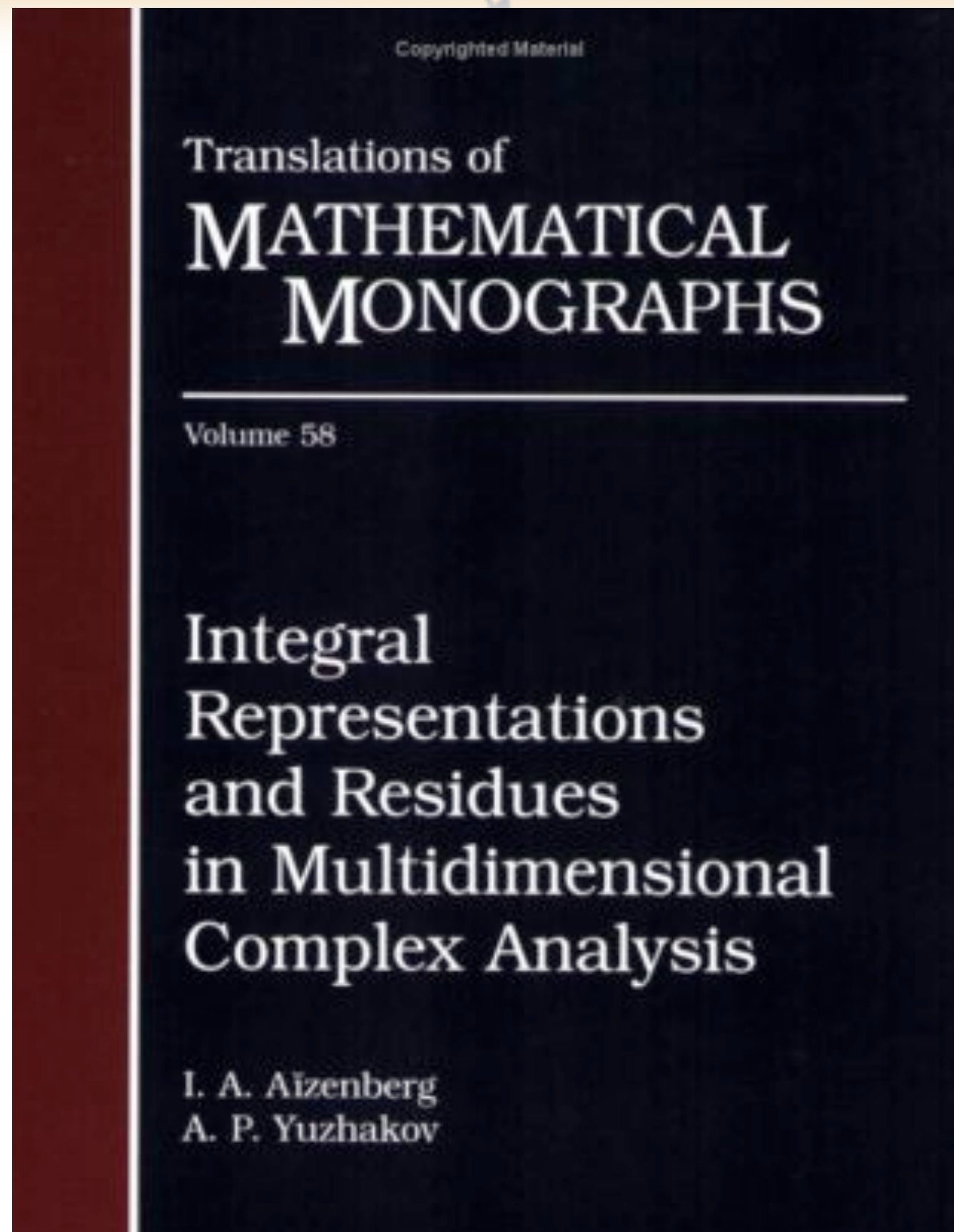
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Here are the words of some enthusiast: “One of the most remarkable discoveries in elementary particle physics has been that of the existence of the **complex plane**”, “... the theory of **functions of complex variables** plays the role not of a mathematical tool, but of a fundamental description of nature inseparable from physics”

J. Schwinger, *Particles, Sources, and Fields*, Vol.1, p.36

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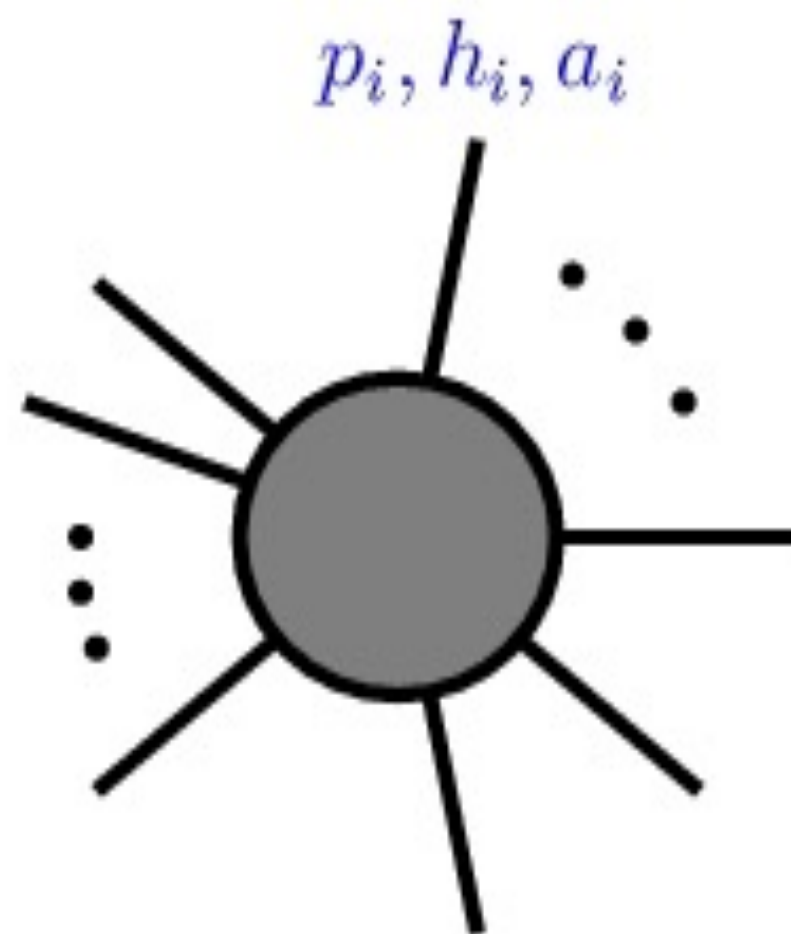
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Helicity basis + colour decomposition



Expressions simplify by using “right variables” | e.g. for N -gluons at tree level

$$\mathcal{M}_N^{(0)}(\{p_i, h_i, a_i\}) = \sum_{P(1,\dots,N)} \text{Tr}(\mathbf{t}^{a_1} \mathbf{t}^{a_2} \dots \mathbf{t}^{a_N}) \mathcal{A}_N^{(0)}(\{p_i, h_i\})$$

sum over permutations

color ordered factor

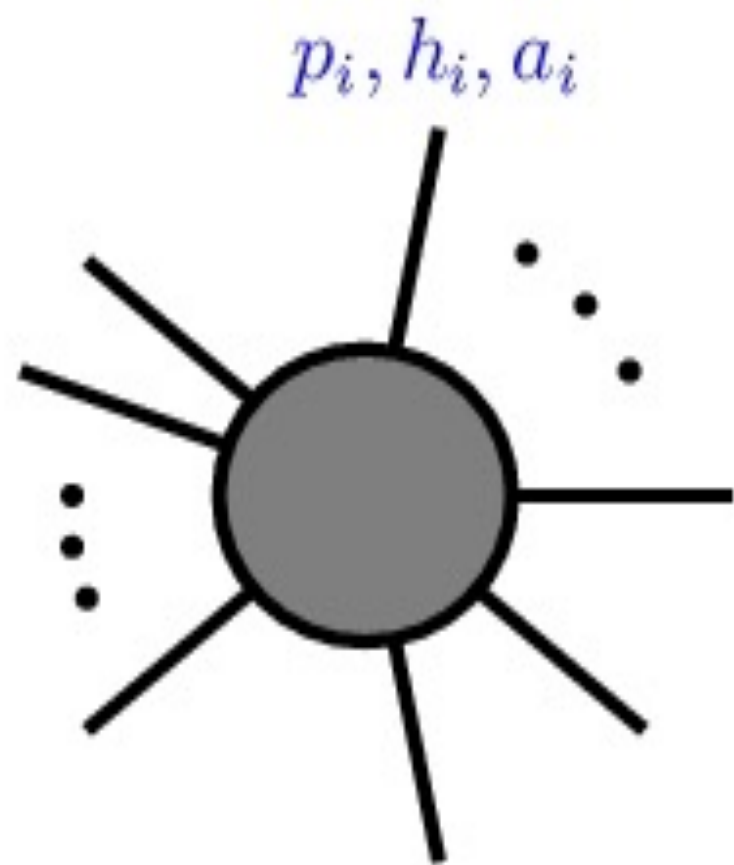
colour ordered subamplitude:

- Depends on the momenta and helicities
- **gauge**-invariant
- fixed cyclic order of external legs

N -gluon amplitude

# gluons	# diagrams	# color ordered diagrams
4	4	3
5	25	10
6	220	36
7	2.485	133
8	34.300	501
9	559.405	1.991
10	10.525.900	7.225

[Cvitanovic, Lauwers, Scharbach, Berends, Giele, Mangano, Parke, Xu, Bern, Kosower, Lee, Nair]



Four-dimensional spinors of definite helicity

$$|i^\pm\rangle = \frac{1}{2}(1 \pm \gamma_5) u(p_i) = v_{\mp}(p_i) \quad \langle i^\pm| = \bar{u}_{\pm}(p_i) = \bar{v}_{\mp}(p_i)$$

$$p_i^2 = 0 \quad p_i^{a\dot{a}} = p_i^\mu \sigma_\mu^{a\dot{a}} = \lambda_i^a \tilde{\lambda}_i^{\dot{a}}$$

spinor algebra and other useful identities

- holomorphic inner product:
 $\langle ij \rangle = \langle i^- | j^+ \rangle = \epsilon_{ab} \lambda_i^a \lambda_j^b = \sqrt{|s_{ij}|} e^{i\phi_{ij}} = -\langle ji \rangle$
- anti-holomorphic inner product:
 $[ij] = \langle i^+ | j^- \rangle = \epsilon_{\dot{a}\dot{b}} \tilde{\lambda}_i^{\dot{a}} \tilde{\lambda}_j^{\dot{b}} = -\langle ij \rangle^* = -[ji]$
- sum over polarisations $\not{p}_i = |i\rangle[i] + |i]\langle i|$
- equation of motion $\not{p}_i |i^\pm\rangle = 0$
- other $\langle ij \rangle = 0 = \langle ii \rangle$ $[i|\gamma^\mu|j\rangle = \langle j|\gamma^\mu|i]$
 $s_{ij} = (p_i + p_j)^2 = \langle ij \rangle [ji]$

gluon polarisation vectors

$$\epsilon^2 = 0 = \epsilon^+ \cdot \epsilon^- , \quad k \cdot \epsilon^\pm(k) = 0$$

$$\epsilon_\mu^+(k, \xi) = \frac{\langle \xi | \gamma_\mu | k \rangle}{\sqrt{2} \langle \xi k \rangle}$$

$$\epsilon_\mu^-(k, \xi) = \frac{[\xi | \gamma_\mu | k \rangle}{\sqrt{2} [k \xi]}$$

- equivalent to **axial gauge** $\xi = n$
- a clever choice of the gauge momentum can simplify calculations

MHV amplitudes

Multi-gluonic amplitudes at tree level: Amplitude for all gluons of positive helicity or one single gluon of negative helicity vanishes

- ▶ two negative helicities (**Maximal Helicity Violating Amplitude**) rather simple [Parke-Taylor, 1986]

$$\mathcal{A}_n^{(0)}(1^+, \dots, i^\pm, \dots, n^+) = 0$$

$$\mathcal{A}_n^{(0)}(1^+, \dots, i^-, \dots, j^-, \dots, n^+) = \frac{\langle ij \rangle^4}{\langle 12 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \cdots \langle (n-1)n \rangle \langle n1 \rangle}$$

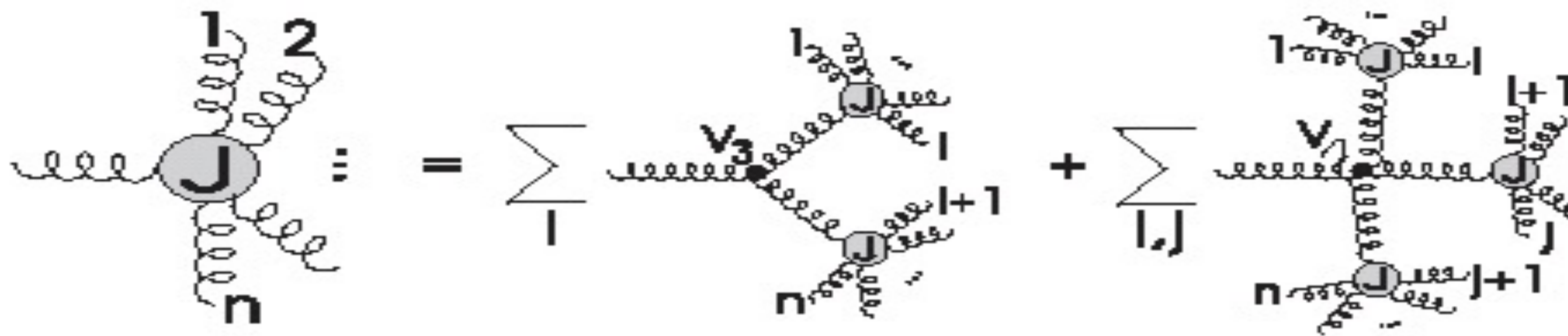
proven via **recursion relations** [Berends-Giele, Mangano-Parke-Xu, 1988]

next-to-MHV $\mathcal{A}_n^{\text{NMHV}}(1^+, \dots, i^-, \dots, j^-, \dots, k^-, \dots, n^+)$ does contain both $\langle ij \rangle$ and $[ij]$
[Kosower, 1990]

Off-shell recursion relations

[Berends, Giele]

- Define **Off-shell** current: amplitude with one off-shell leg, building block for the off-shell current with higher multiplicity



- the gluonic current particularly simple for some helicity configurations

$$J^\mu(i^+, \dots, j^+) = \frac{\langle \xi | \gamma^\mu p_{i,j} | \xi \rangle}{\sqrt{2} \langle \xi i \rangle \langle i(i+1) \rangle \cdots \langle j \xi \rangle}$$

- on-shell amplitude by setting on-shell the off-shell leg

On-shell recursion relations at tree-level: BCFW

[Britto, Cachazo, Feng, Witten]

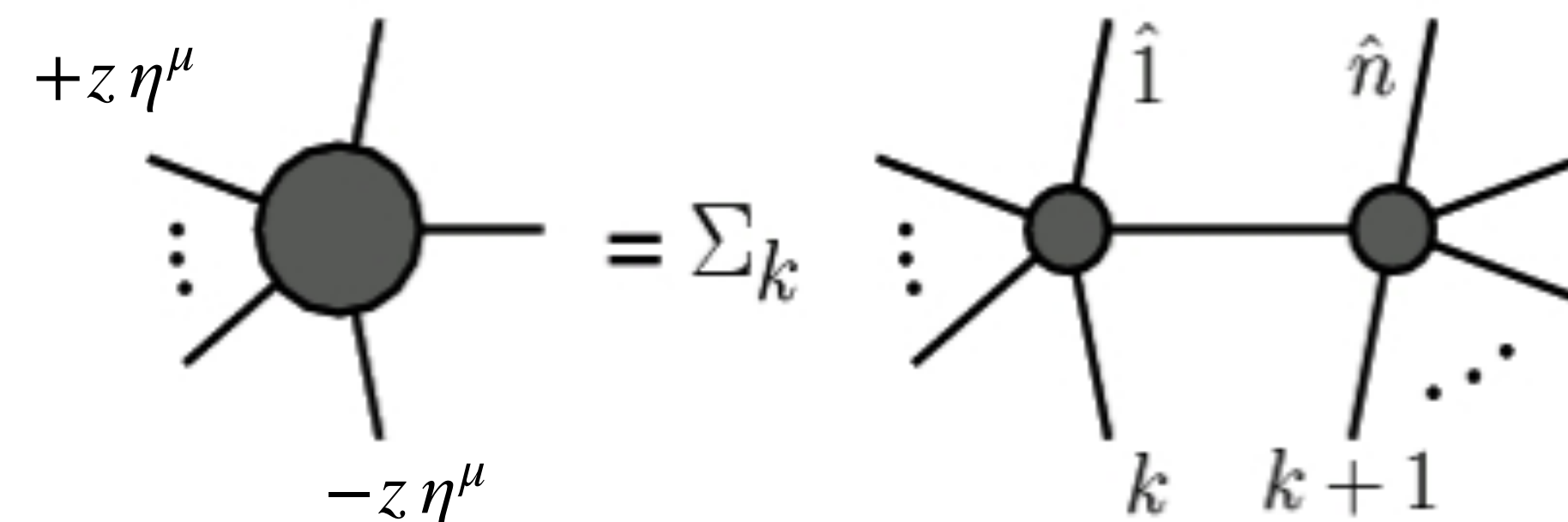


How to reconstruct a scattering amplitude from its singularities

Add $z\eta^\mu$ (z **complex**) to the four-momentum of one external particle and subtract it on another such that the shift leaves them on-shell

$$0 = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{C \text{ at } \infty} \frac{\mathcal{A}_n^{(0)}(z)}{z} = \mathcal{A}_n^{(0)}(z=0) - \sum_{z_i} \frac{\text{Res}_{z_i} \mathcal{A}_n^{(0)}(z)}{z_i}$$

has the correct
residue at any
multi-particle pole



$$\mathcal{A}_n^{(0)}(1,2,\dots,n) = \sum \mathcal{A}_L^{(0)}(\hat{1},2,\dots,-\hat{p}_{1,k}) \frac{i}{s_{1,k}} \mathcal{A}_R^{(0)}(\hat{p}_{1,k},k+1,\dots,\hat{n})$$

- Diagrammatic proof [Draggiotis, Kleiss, Lazopoulos, Papadopoulos]
- Compact analytical results, although colour dressed Berends-Giele (off-shell recursion) might be more efficient numerically [Duhr, Höche, Maltoni]

holomorphic shift ((-,+) is not a safe shift)

$$\hat{p}_i^\mu = p_i^\mu + \frac{z}{2}[i|\gamma^\mu|j\rangle \quad |\hat{i}\rangle = |i\rangle + z|j\rangle \quad |\hat{i}] = |i]$$

$$\hat{p}_j^\mu = p_j^\mu - \frac{z}{2}[i|\gamma^\mu|j\rangle \quad |\hat{j}\rangle = |j\rangle \quad |\hat{j}] = |j] - z|i]$$

anti-holomorphic shift ($i \leftrightarrow j$)

z determined by setting on-shell the intermediate momenta

$$\hat{p}_{1,k}^\mu = p_{1,k}^\mu + \frac{z}{2}[i|\gamma^\mu|j\rangle, \quad \hat{p}_{1,k}^2 = 0, \quad z = -\frac{s_{1,k}}{[i|p_{1,k}|j\rangle}$$

☑ use only on-shell amplitudes



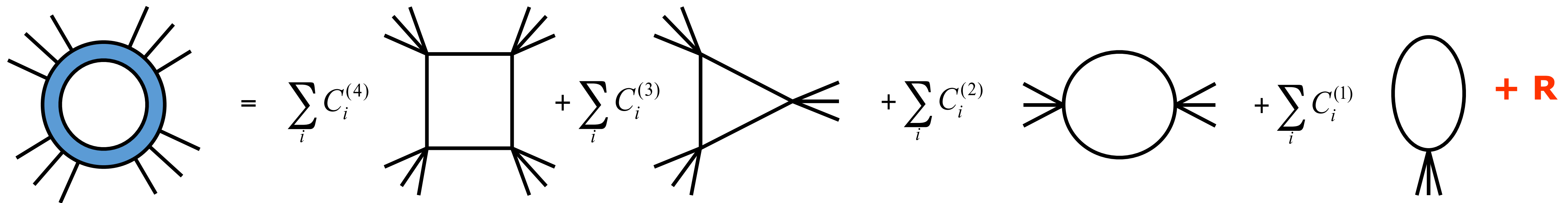
☑ rather compact expressions

☒ generates spurious poles at $[i|p_{1,k}|j\rangle$

while physical IR divergences at $s_{i,j} = (p_i + p_{i+1} + \dots + p_j)^2$

Generalized Unitarity: the **one-loop** basis

A dimensionally regulated n-point one-loop integral (scattering amplitude) is a linear combination of **scalar** boxes, triangles, bubbles and tadpoles with rational coefficients



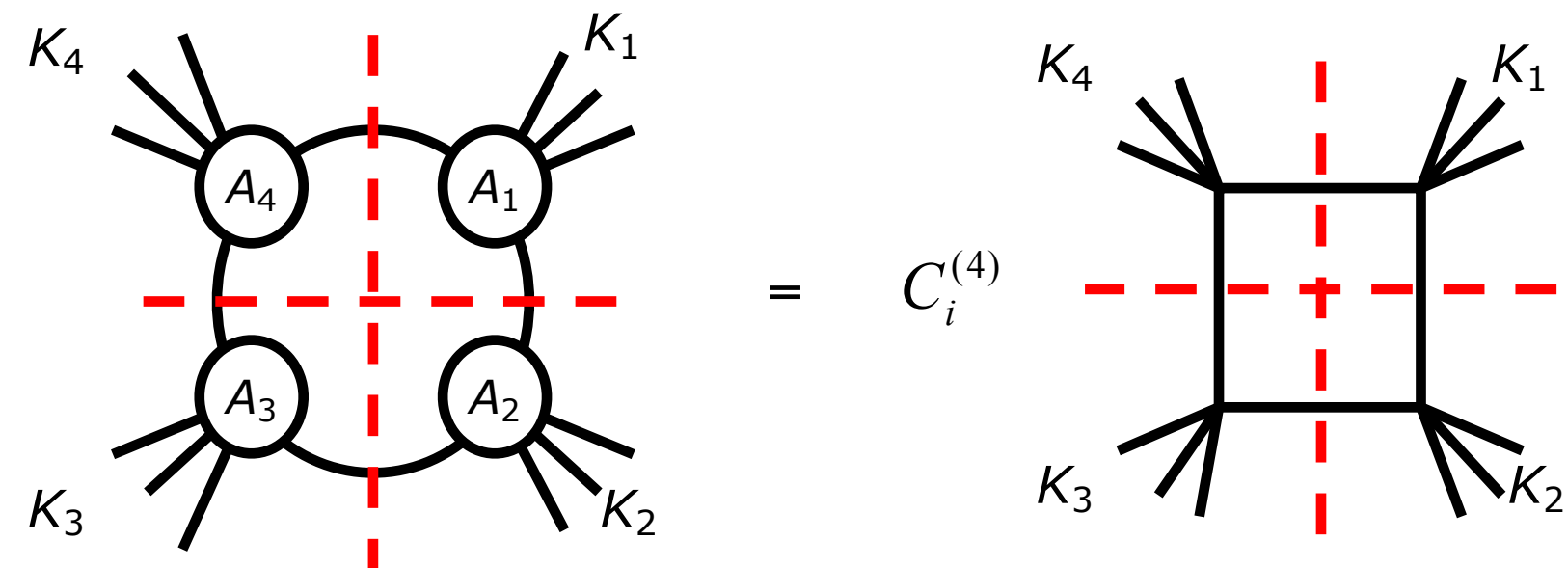
The diagram shows a blue-shaded circle with multiple external lines on the left, followed by an equals sign. To the right of the equals sign is a sum of four terms: a square loop (box) with four external lines, a triangle loop with three external lines, a circular loop (bubble) with two external lines, and an oval loop (tadpole) with one external line. Each term is preceded by a summation symbol \sum_i and a coefficient $C_i^{(4)}$, $C_i^{(3)}$, $C_i^{(2)}$, and $C_i^{(1)}$ respectively. The entire sum is followed by a red plus sign and a red **R**.

$$= \sum_i C_i^{(4)} \text{ (box) } + \sum_i C_i^{(3)} \text{ (triangle) } + \sum_i C_i^{(2)} \text{ (bubble) } + \sum_i C_i^{(1)} \text{ (tadpole) } + \mathbf{R}$$

- Pentagons and higher n-point functions can be reduced to lower point integrals and higher dimensional polygons that only contribute at $O(\epsilon)$ [Bern, Dixon, Kosower]
- The task is reduced to determining the coefficients: by applying **multiple cuts** at both sides of the equation [Brito, Cachazo, Feng]
- **R** is a finite piece that is entirely rational: can not be detected by four-dimensional cuts

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Quadruple cut



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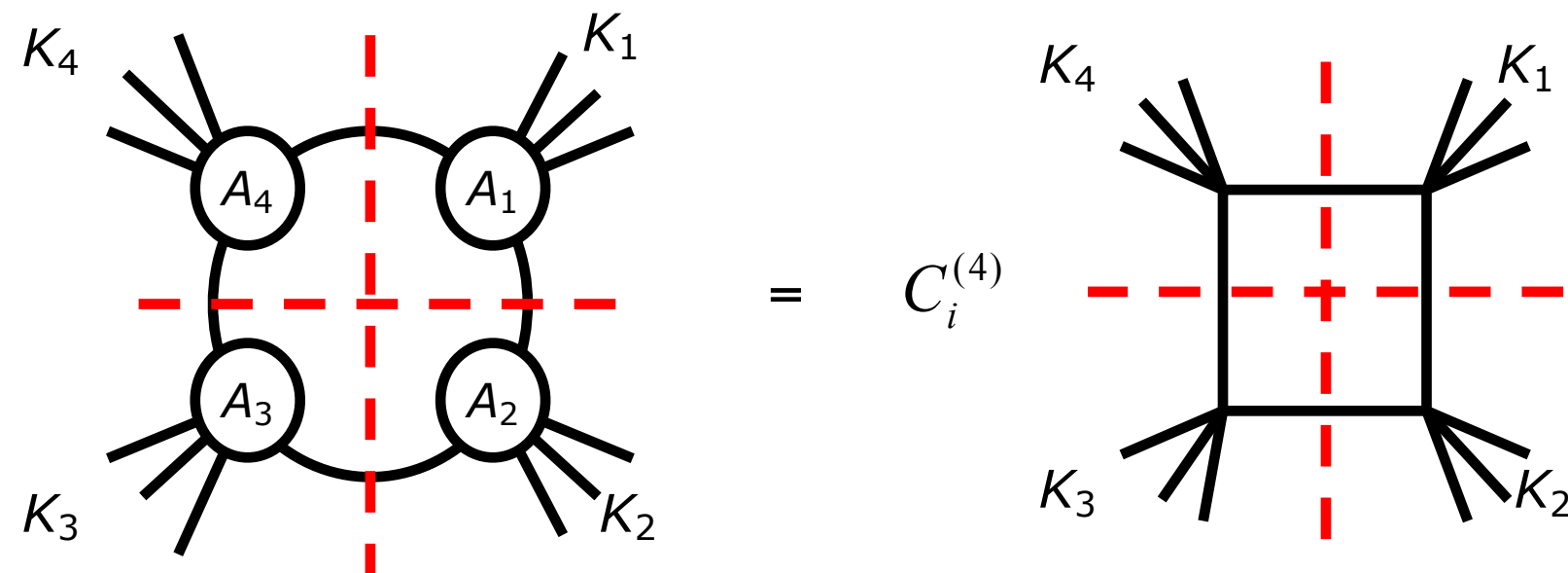
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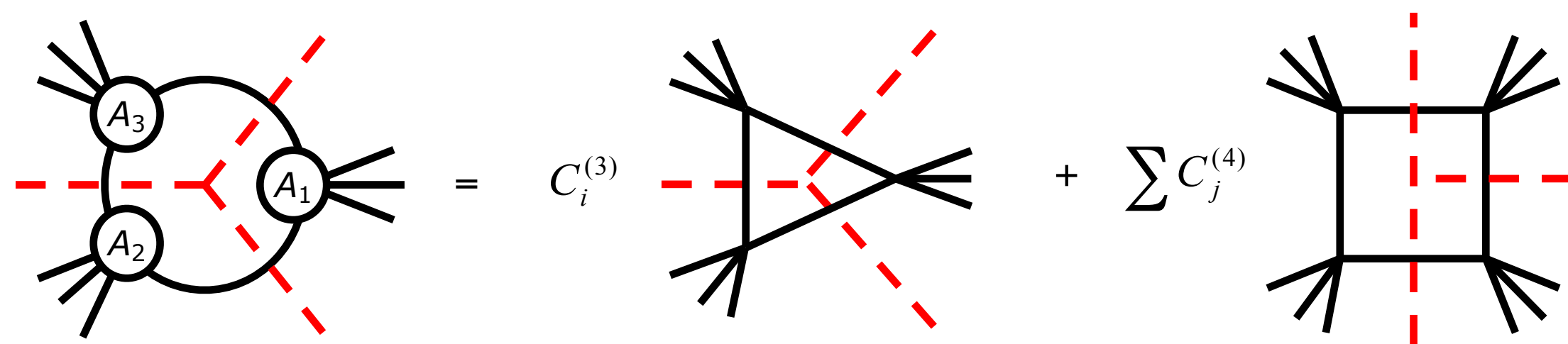
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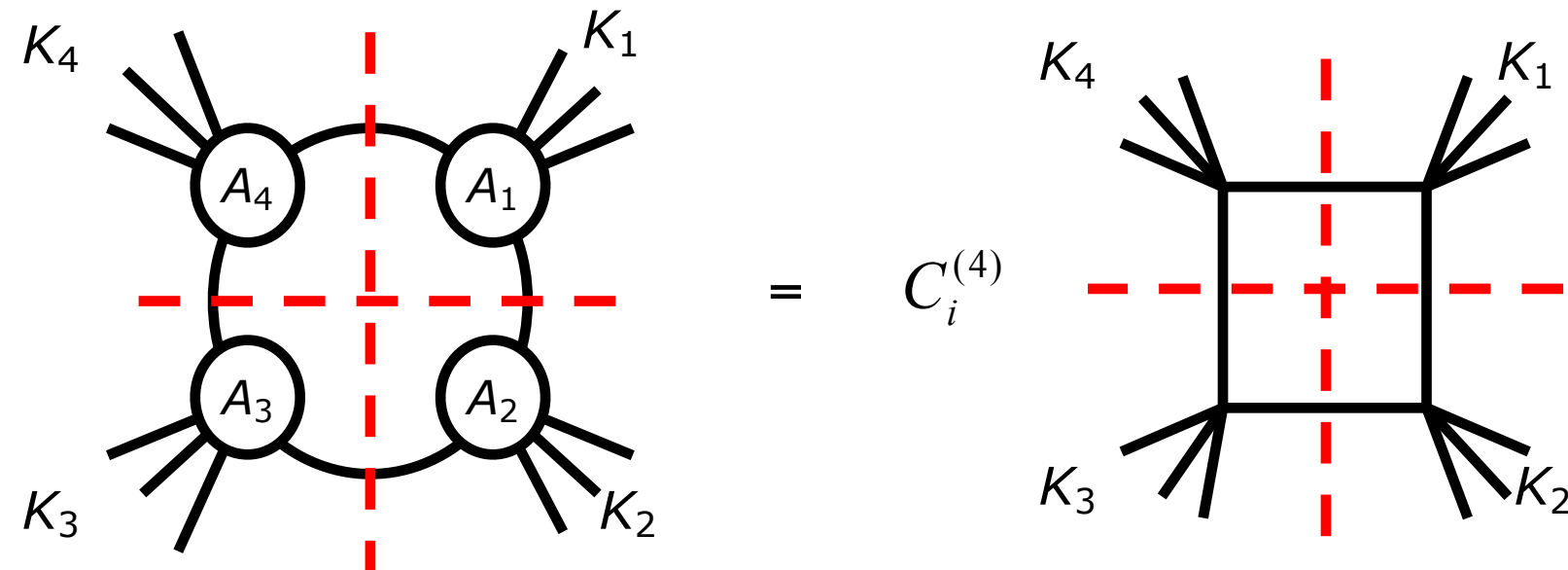
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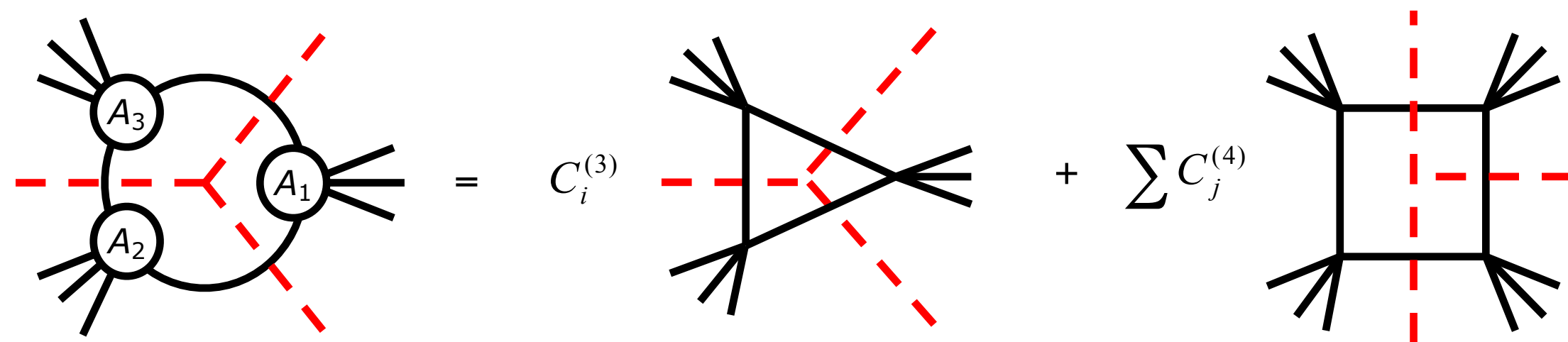
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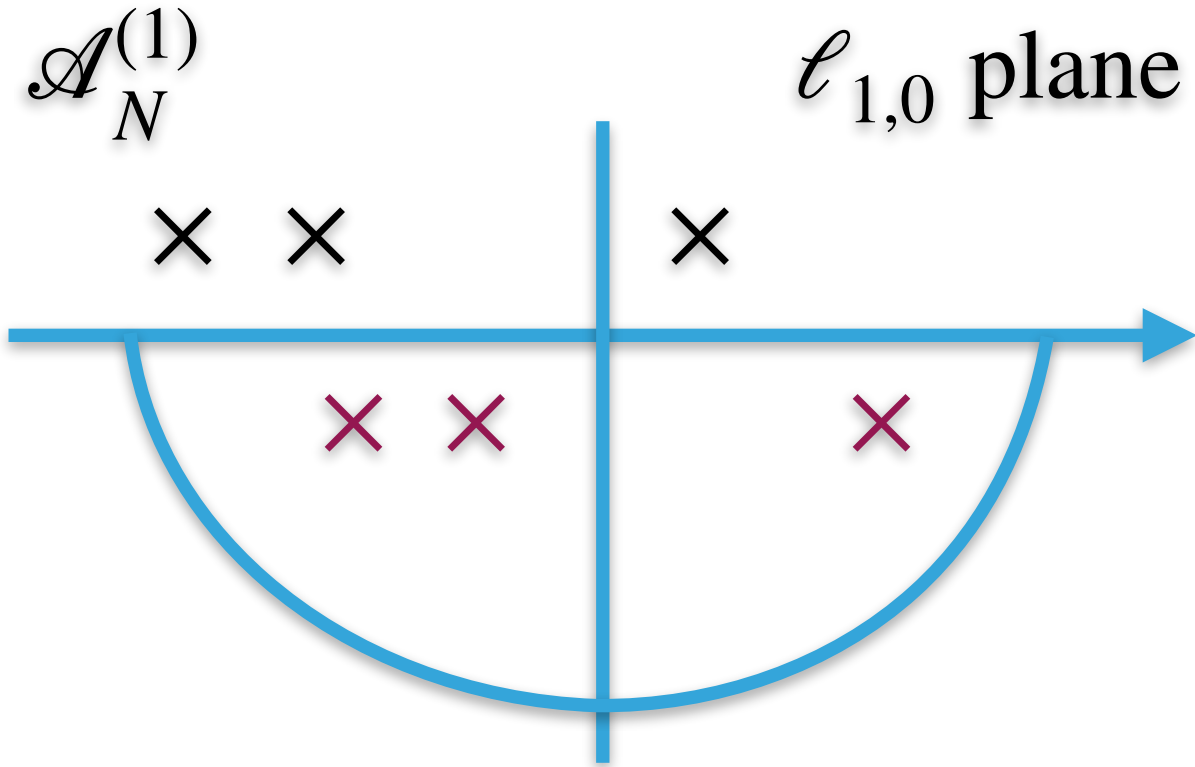
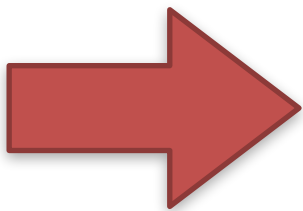
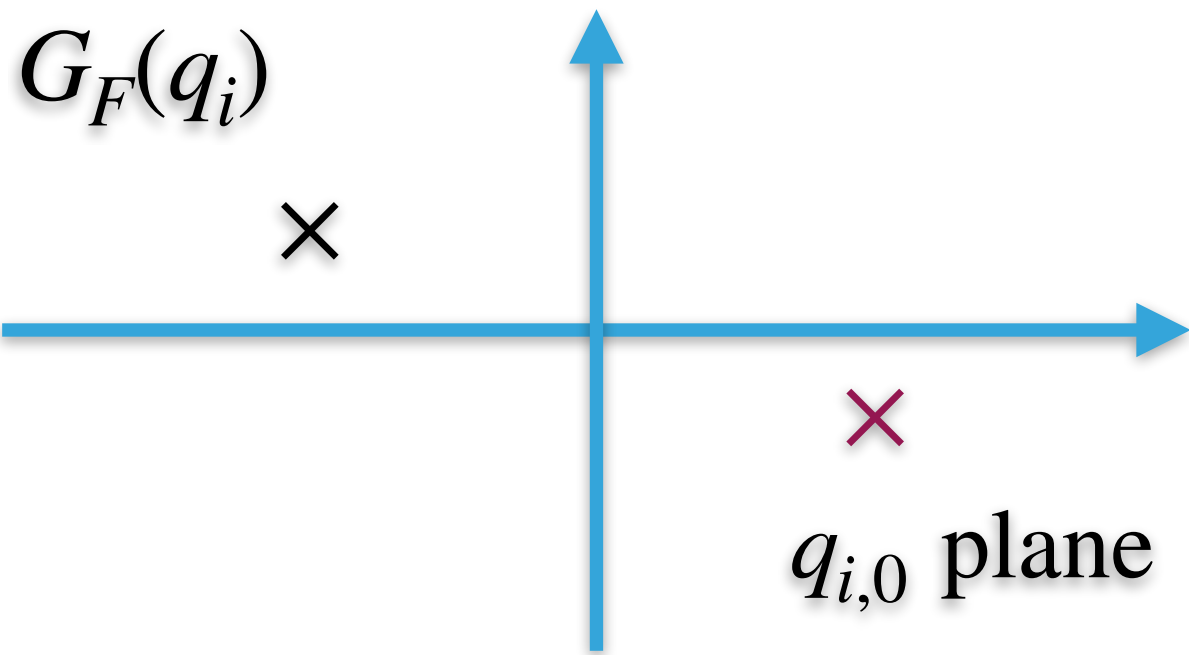
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Feynman Propagator +i0:
encodes **causality**, i.e. positive frequencies are propagated forward in time, and negative backward

$$G_F(q_i) = \frac{1}{q_i^2 - m_i^2 + i0}$$

selects residues with definite **positive energy** and **negative imaginary part**

- in arbitrary coordinate systems: reduce the dimension of the integration domain by one unit
- from **Minkowski** to **Euclidean** (loop three-momenta)

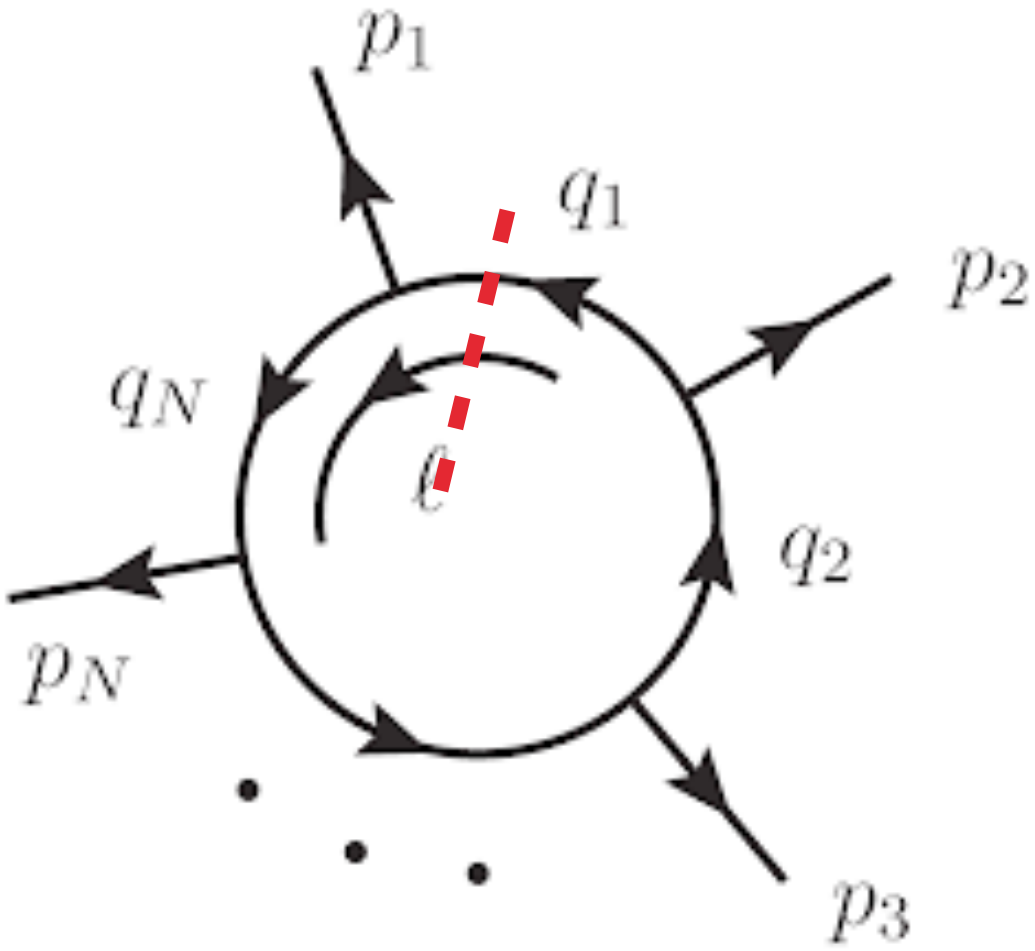




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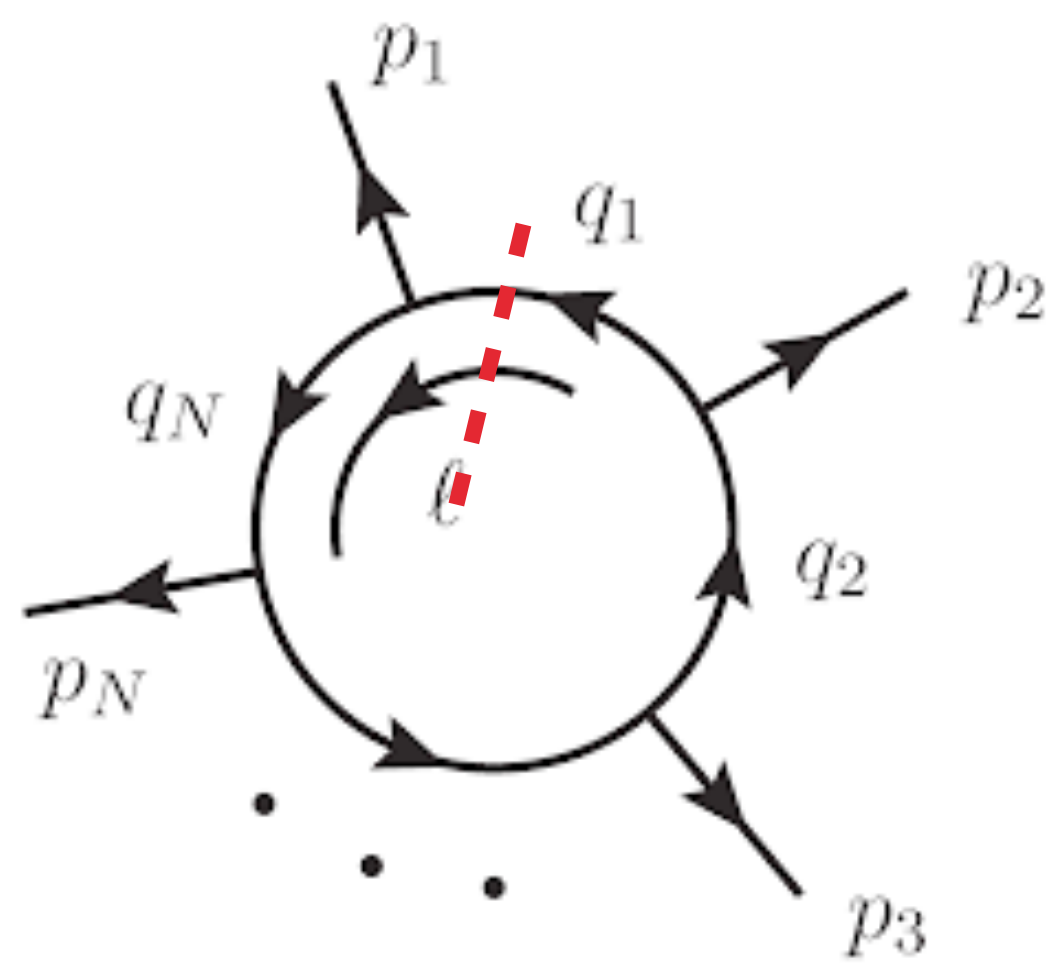
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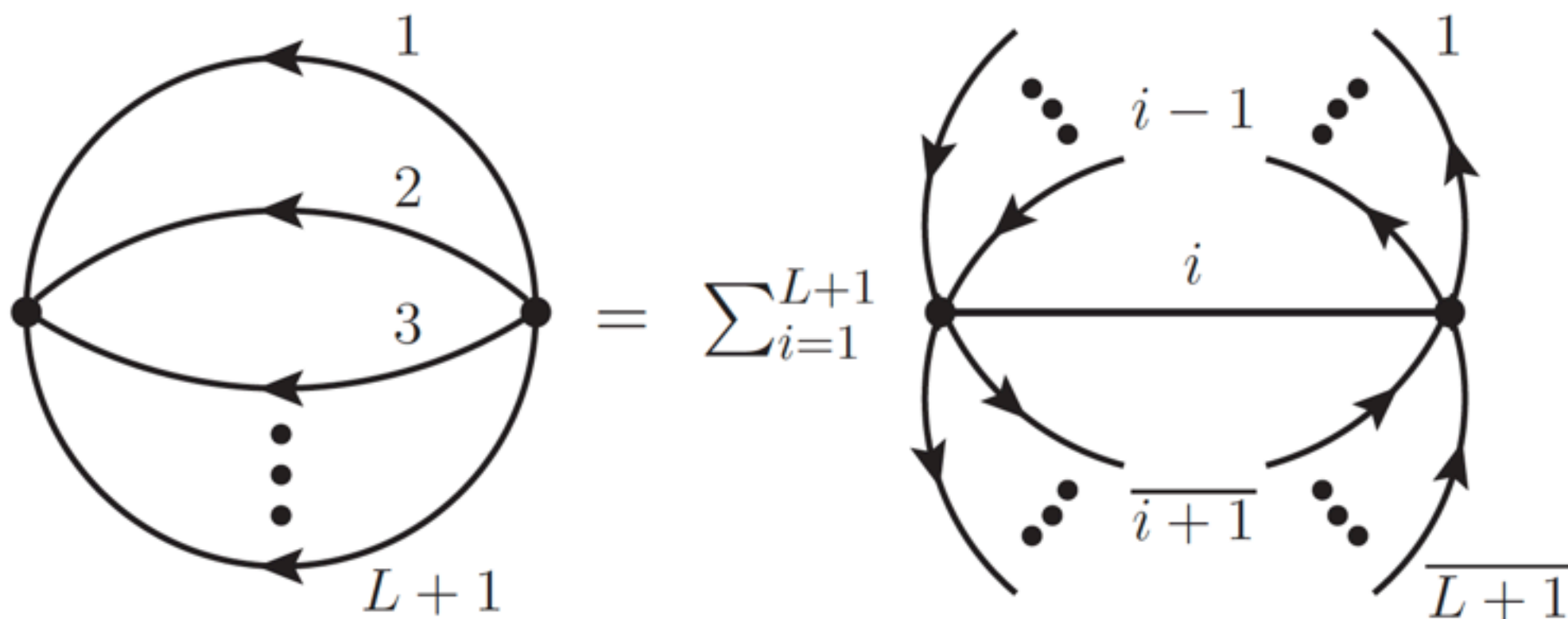
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- ▶ **Lorentz invariant**, best choice $\eta^\mu = (1, \mathbf{0})$: energy component integrated out, remaining integration in **Euclidean space**





LTD AT HIGHER ORDERS + CAUSALITY

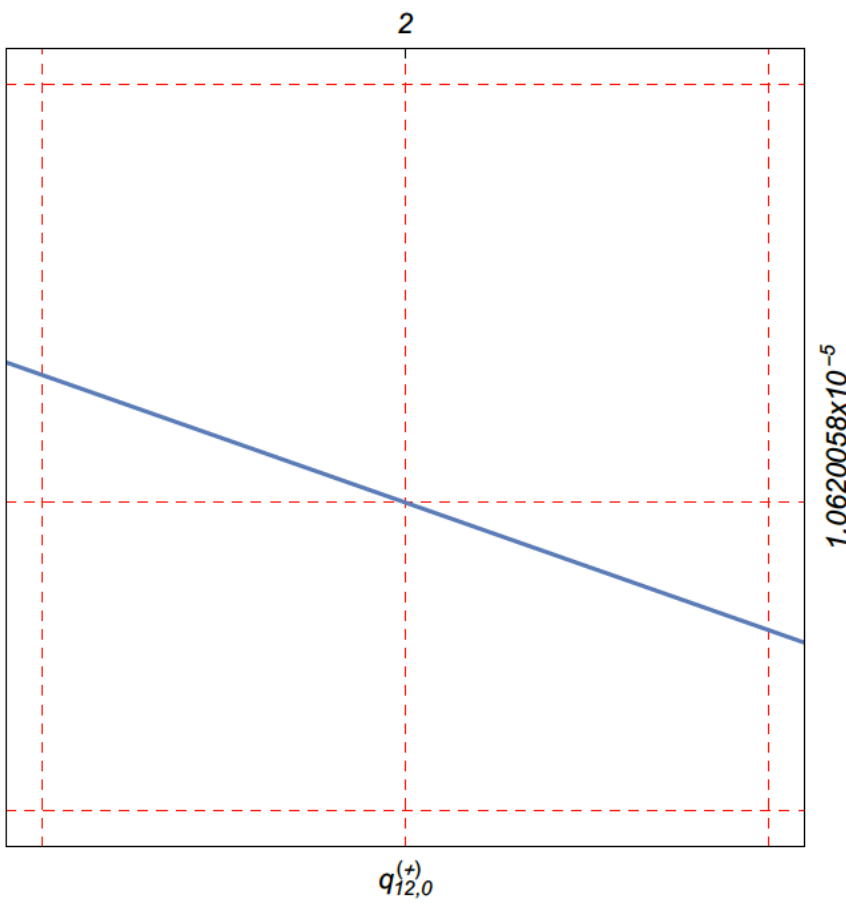
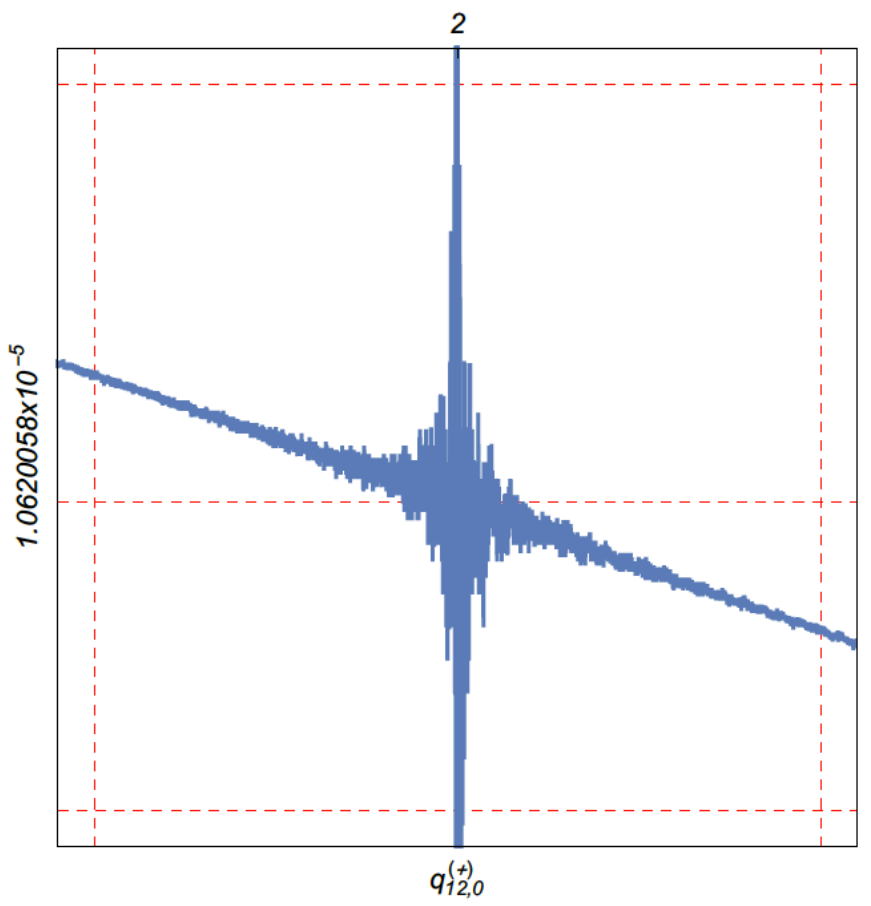
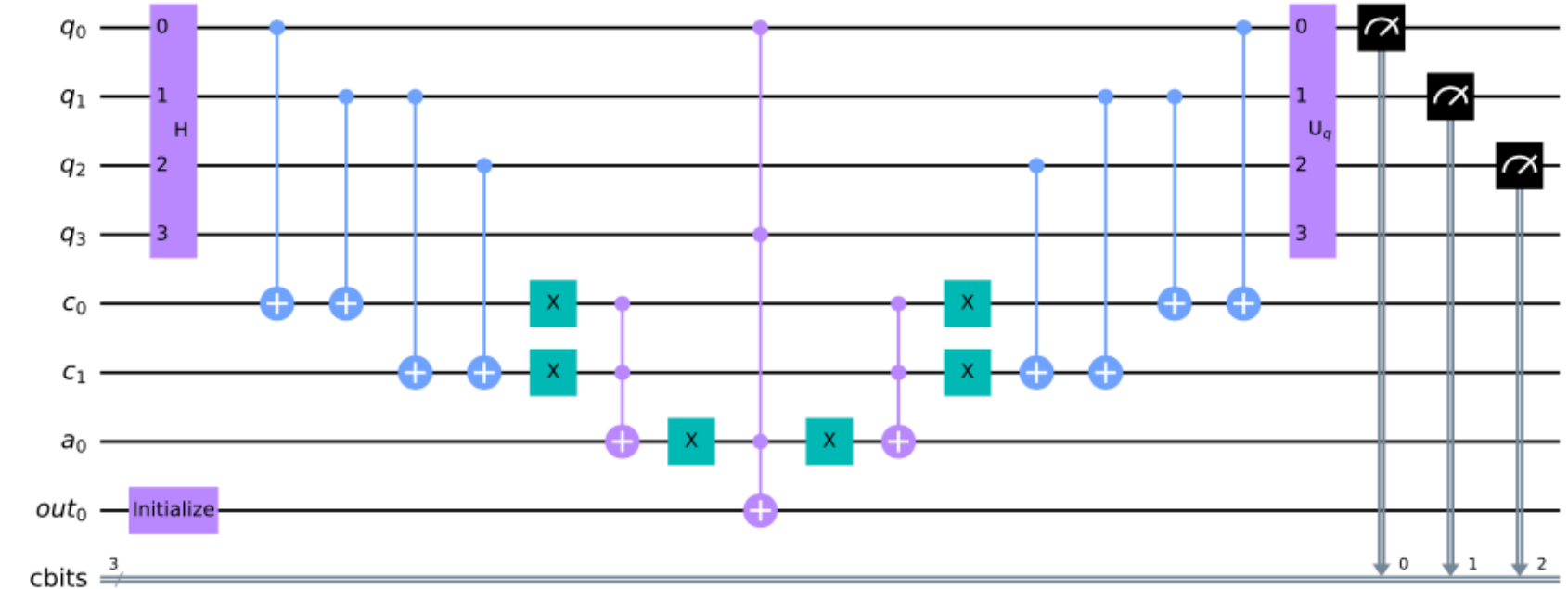
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▶ The LTD representation is an integral in the loop tree-momenta

$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{MLT}}^{(L)}(1, \dots, n) = \int_{\vec{\ell}_1 \dots \vec{\ell}_L} \frac{1}{\prod 2q_{i,0}^{(+)}} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda_{1,n}^+} + \frac{1}{\lambda_{1,n}^-} \right), \quad \lambda_{1,n}^\pm = \sum q_{i,0}^{(+)} \pm k_{1n,0}$$

- ▶ Independent of the initial momentum flow assignments
- ▶ **Manifestly free of non-causal singularities:** for all topologies and internal configurations



- **Integrand numerical instabilities** across a noncausal threshold
- **manifestly causal LTD** representation



Exercises:

1. Proof the **Fierz** and **Shouten** identities:

$$\langle 1 | \gamma^\mu | 2] [3 | \gamma_\mu | 4 \rangle = 2 \langle 14 \rangle [32]$$

$$\langle 12 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle + \langle 14 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle + \langle 13 \rangle \langle 42 \rangle = 0$$

Hint: multiply and divide by $\langle 23 \rangle$ or $[23]$

and apply $\gamma^\mu \gamma^\nu \gamma^\sigma \gamma_\mu = 4g^{\nu\sigma}$

2. Calculate the scattering amplitudes and squared amplitude for $e^+(p_1) e^-(p_2) \rightarrow q(p_3) \bar{q}(p_4)$ by using the helicity method, and compare with the traditional calculation

$$\mathcal{M}_{e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}}^{(0)} \sim [\bar{u}(p_3) \gamma^\mu v(p_4)] [\bar{v}(p_1) \gamma^\nu u(p_2)] d_{\mu\nu}(p_{12})$$

$$|\mathcal{M}^{(0)}|^2 = \text{Tr}(\not{p}_1 \gamma^\mu \not{p}_2 \gamma^\sigma) \text{Tr}(\not{p}_3 \gamma^\nu \not{p}_4 \gamma^\rho) d_{\mu\sigma}(p_{12}) d_{\nu\rho}(p_{12})$$

How many independent helicity amplitudes there are?

Exercises:

3. Proof by induction that the Maximal Helicity Violating (MHV) amplitude for gluons is given by the expression

$$\mathcal{A}_n^{(0)}(1^+, \dots, i^\pm, \dots, n^+) = 0$$

$$\mathcal{A}_n^{(0)}(1^+, \dots, i^-, \dots, j^-, \dots, n^+) = \frac{\langle ij \rangle^4}{\langle 12 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \cdots \langle (n-1)n \rangle \langle n1 \rangle}$$

4. Calculate by using BCFW the six-gluon amplitude

$$\mathcal{A}_6(1^+, 2^+, 3^+, 4^-, 5^-, 6^-) = \frac{i}{\langle 2 | 1 + 6 | 5 \rangle} \left(\frac{\langle 6 | 1 + 2 | 3 \rangle^3}{\langle 61 \rangle \langle 12 \rangle [34] [45] s_{126}} + \frac{\langle 4 | 5 + 6 | 1 \rangle^3}{\langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle [56] [61] s_{561}} \right)$$

THE COLLINEAR LIMIT OF QCD

factorisation into short distance
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parton densities
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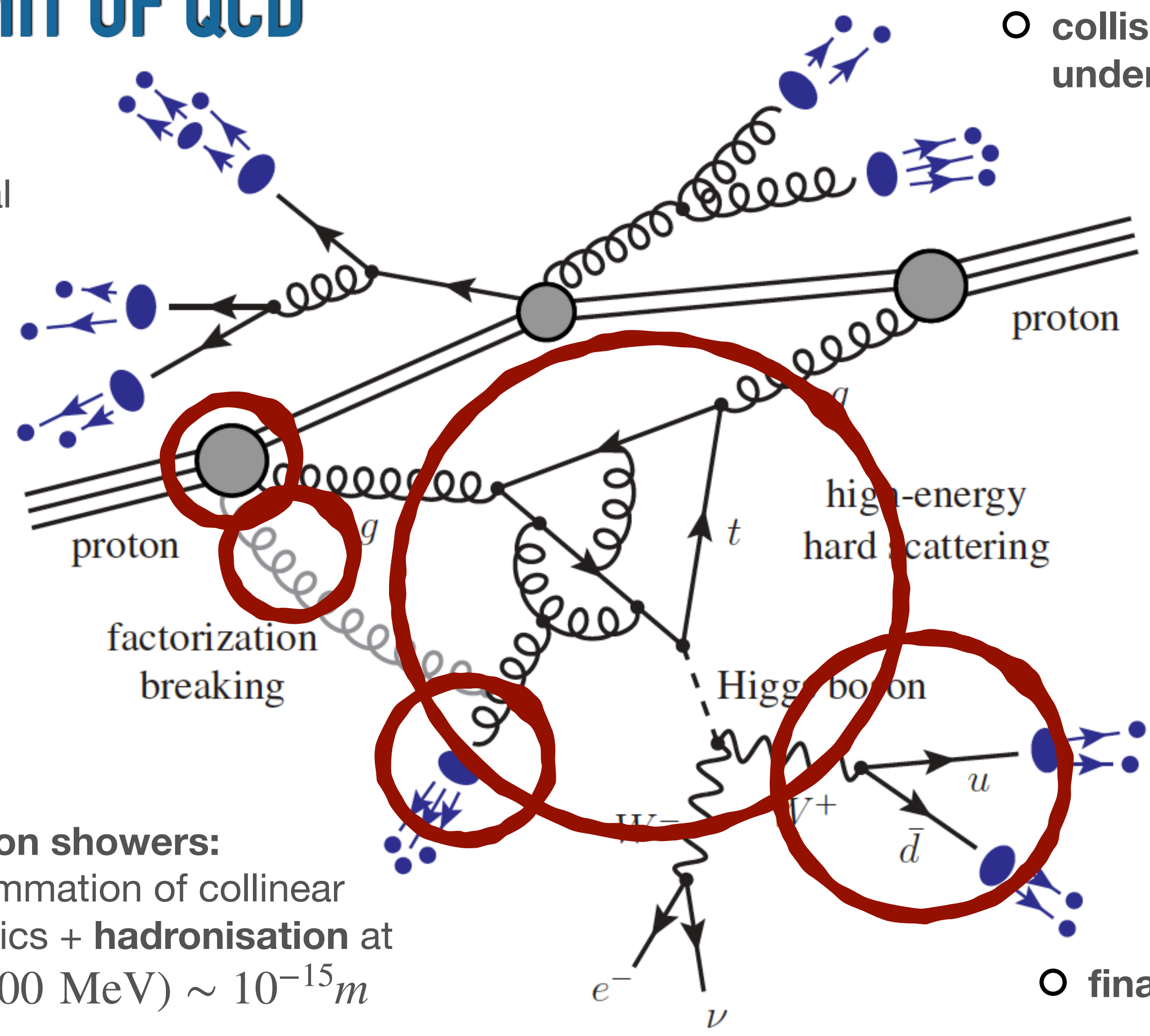
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Relevance of the collinear limit in QCD

- ⊙ from **hard scattering amplitudes** to cross-sections: subtraction of IR singularities
- ⊙ IR properties of amplitudes exploited to compute **logarithmic enhanced** perturbative terms: resummation of leading and subleading logs
- ⊙ improve physics content of **Monte Carlo** event generators: parton showers
- ⊙ **scale evolution** of PDF's and fragmentation functions
- ⊙ Factorization theorems: from e^+e^- and DIS to hadron colliders
- ⊙ beyond QCD: hints on the structure of highly symmetric gauge theories (e.g. N=4 super-Yang-Mills)



Collinear factorisation theorem proven for **sufficiently inclusive** observables in the final state of the scattering of colorless hadrons [Collins, Soper, Sterman]

- Often assumed that partonic scattering amplitudes factorize: **fixed order and resummations**
- **Monte Carlo** event generators are based on factorisation
- In neither of these cases factorization is guaranteed at higher orders.

pQCD for hard-scattering processes based on **universality**:

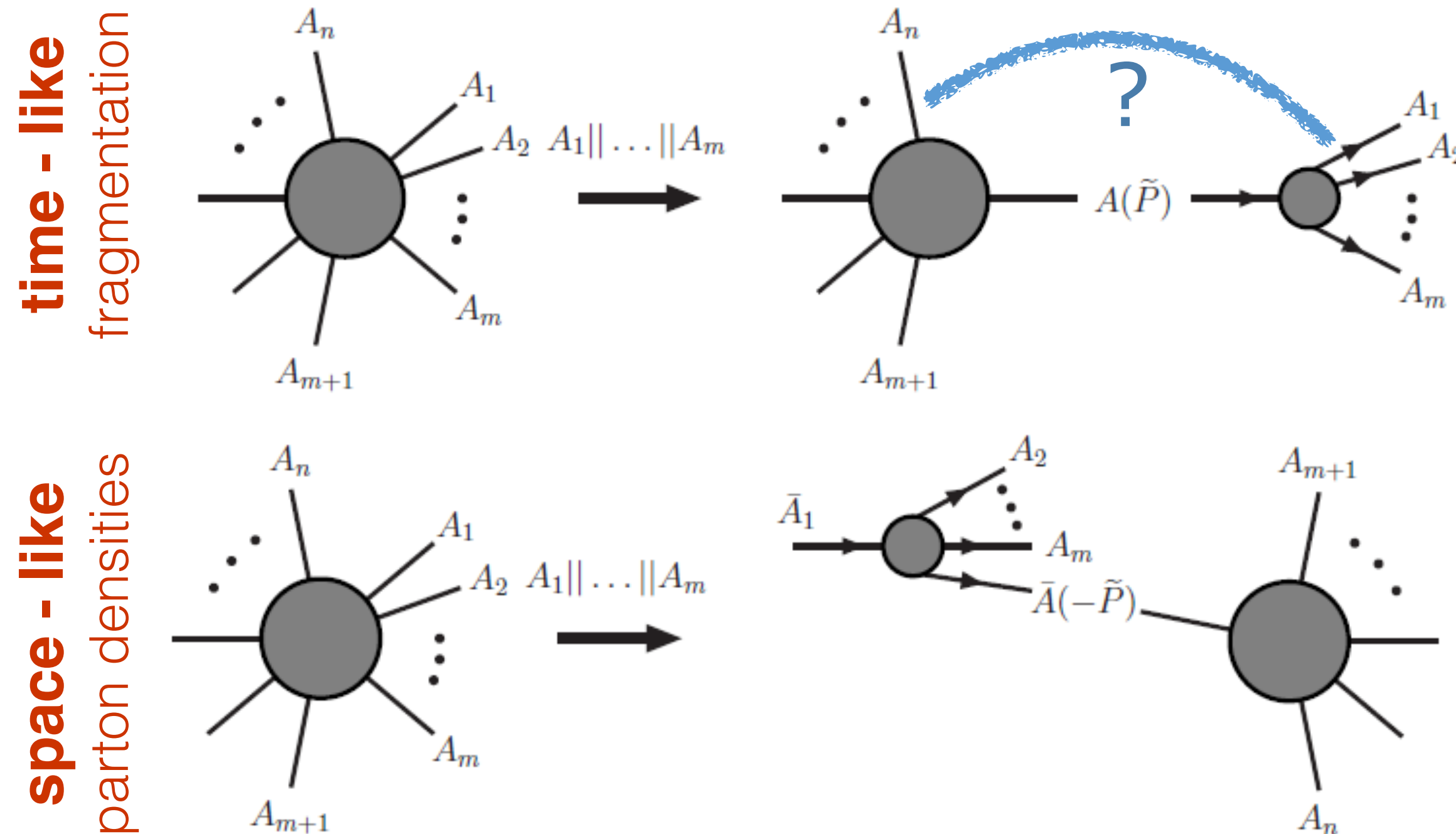
- the sole uncanceled IR divergences are due to partonic states whose momenta are collinear to the collider partons
- removed by redefinition of bare parton densities

$$\sigma = \sum_{a,b} \int dx_1 dx_2 f_a(x_1, \mu_F) f_b(x_2, \mu_F) \hat{\sigma}_{ab}(x_1 p_A, x_2 p_B; \mu_F, \mu_R) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{Q}\right)$$

Parton densities PDF (green arrow pointing to f_a, f_b)
 Hard scattering cross-section (brown arrow pointing to $\hat{\sigma}_{ab}$)
 Factorization and renormalization scales (green arrow pointing to μ_F, μ_R)
 Partonic cms energy $\hat{s} = x_1 x_2 s$ (green text)
 Higher twist (brown arrow pointing to $\mathcal{O}(1/Q)$)

Collinear factorisation at tree-level

- Momenta p_1, \dots, p_m of m **partons become collinear**
- Sub-energies $s_{ij} = (p_i + p_j)^2$ of the same order and vanish simultaneously
- leading singular behaviour $(\sqrt{s_{1,m}})^{1-m}$ with $p_{1,m} = p_1 + \dots + p_m$



Collinear limit

- Most singular behaviour captured by **universal** (process independent) splitting amplitudes: the same for e^+e^- , DIS and hadron collisions
- The **splitting amplitude** depends on the collinear partons only
- Space-like and time-like related by crossing
- Process dependence in the **reduced matrix element**

$$|M^{(0)}(p_1, \dots, p_n)\rangle = \textcolor{red}{Sp}^{(0)}(p_1, \dots, p_m; \tilde{P}) |\bar{M}^{(0)}(\tilde{P}; p_{m+1}, \dots, p_n)\rangle + \mathcal{O}((\sqrt{s_{1,m}})^{3-m})$$

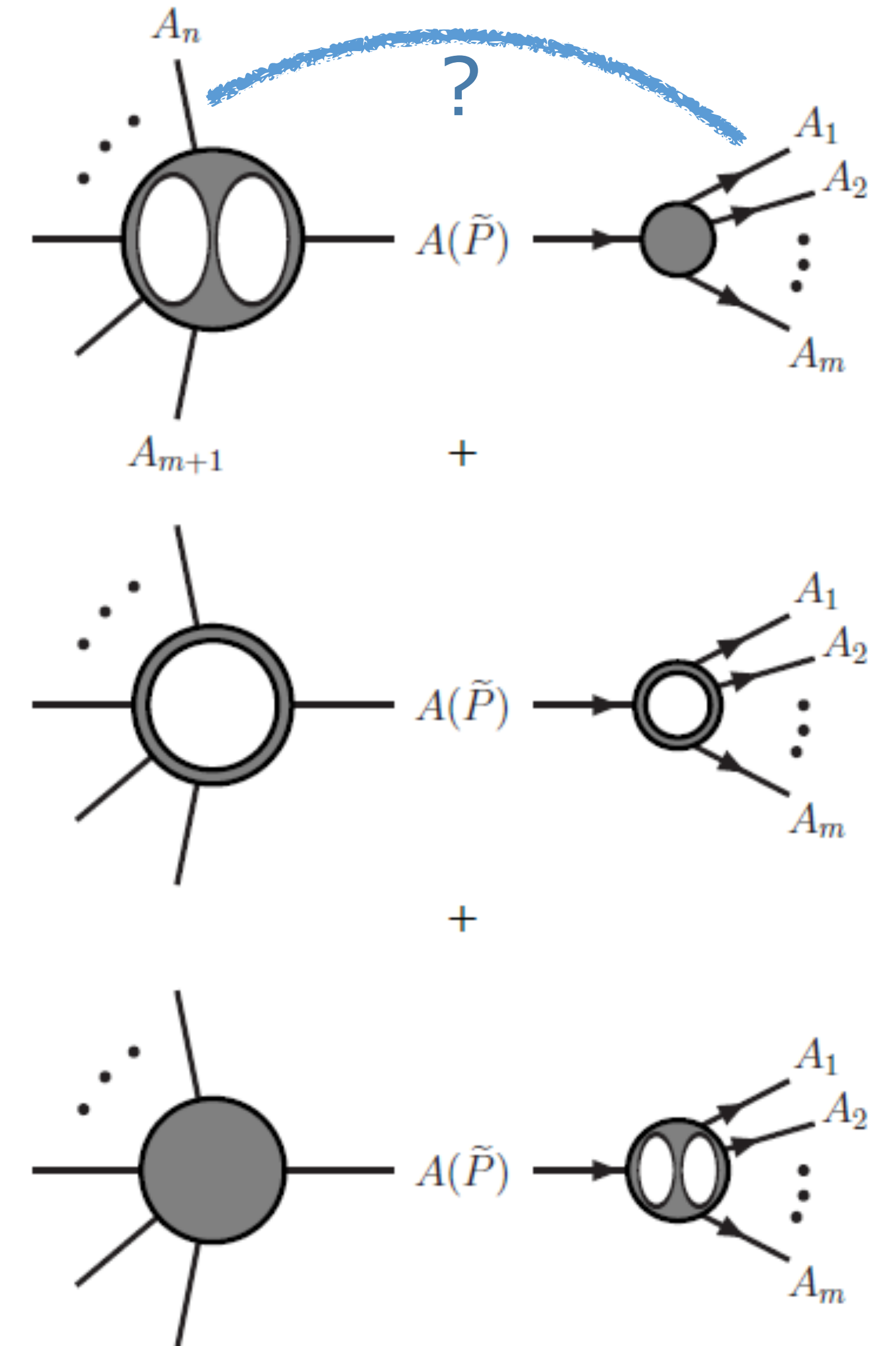
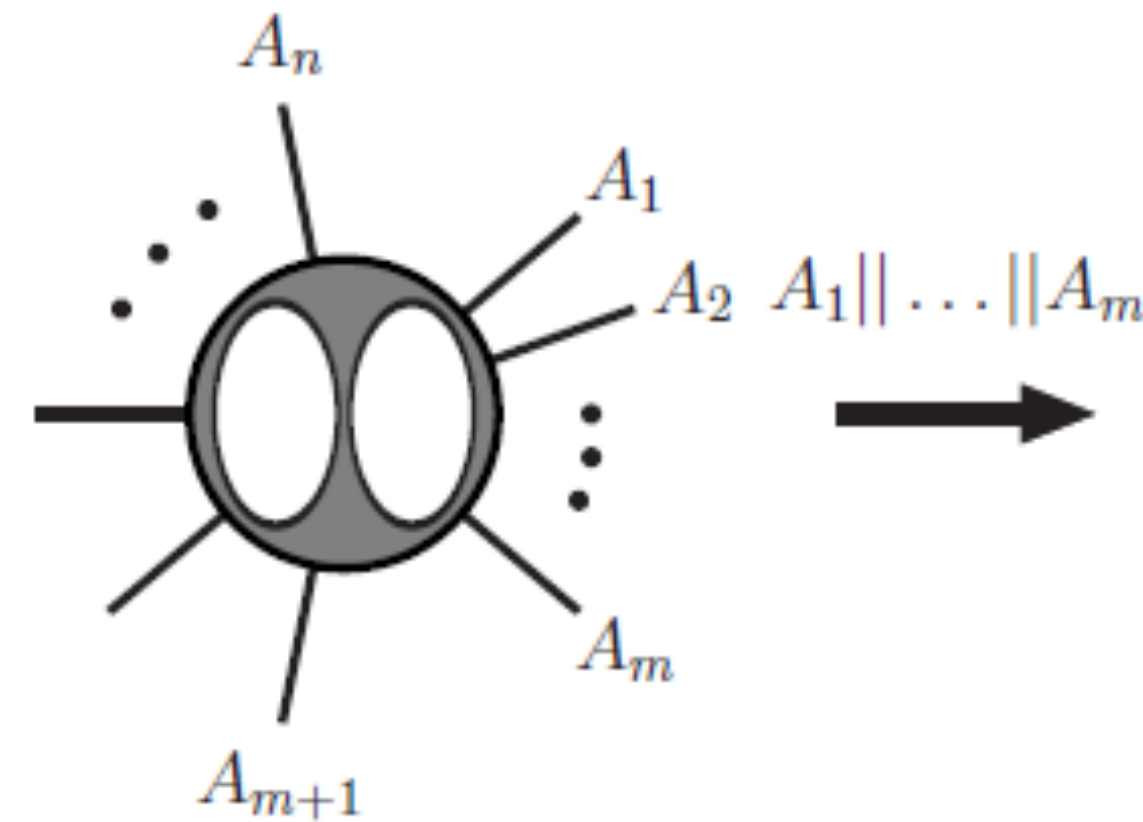
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- Both collinear partons in the final- or initial-state, otherwise colour coherence is limited by **causality**

The collinear projection

- The **projection over the collinear limit** is obtained by setting the parent parton at on-shell momenta

$$\tilde{P}^\mu = p_{1,m}^\mu - \frac{s_{1,m} n^\mu}{2n \cdot \tilde{P}}$$

\tilde{P}^μ : collinear direction

n^μ : describes how the collinear limit is approached $\tilde{P}^2 = 0, n^2 = 0$

$z_i = \frac{n \cdot p_i}{n \cdot \tilde{P}}$: longitudinal momentum fraction $\sum z_i = 1$

- Factorisation holds in any arbitrary gauge, however, it is more evident in the **axial gauge** (physical polarisations): only diagrams where the parent parton emitted and absorbed collinear radiation

$$\frac{1}{\not{p}_{12}} = \frac{1}{s_{12}} \not{p}_{12} = \frac{1}{s_{12}} \left(\tilde{P} + \frac{s_{12}}{2n \cdot \tilde{P}} \not{n} \right) \simeq \frac{1}{s_{12}} u(\tilde{P}) \bar{u}(\tilde{P}) + \dots$$

$$d_{\mu\nu}(k, n) = d_{\mu\nu}(\tilde{P}, n) + \dots \simeq \epsilon_\mu(\tilde{P}) \epsilon_\nu^*(\tilde{P}) + \dots$$

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2. Calculate the splitting functions for the collinear processes $q \rightarrow qg$, $g \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ and $g \rightarrow gg$ by using the helicity method

Hint:

$$\mathbf{Sp}_{q \rightarrow q_1 g_2}^{(0)} = \mathbf{T}^{a_2} \frac{1}{s_{12}} \bar{u}(p_1) \not{\epsilon}(p_2) v(\tilde{P})$$

$$P_{q \rightarrow q_1 g_2}^{(0)} = C_F \frac{1+z^2}{1-z} \quad z = z_1 = \frac{n \cdot p_1}{n \cdot \tilde{P}} \quad z_2 = 1 - z$$

Compare with $\mathcal{M}_{q\bar{q}g}^{(0)} \simeq (-ie_q) (ig_S) \mathbf{T}^a \bar{u}(p_1) \gamma^\mu v(p_2) \left(\frac{p_1 \cdot \epsilon}{p_1 \cdot k} - \frac{p_2 \cdot \epsilon}{p_2 \cdot k} \right)$

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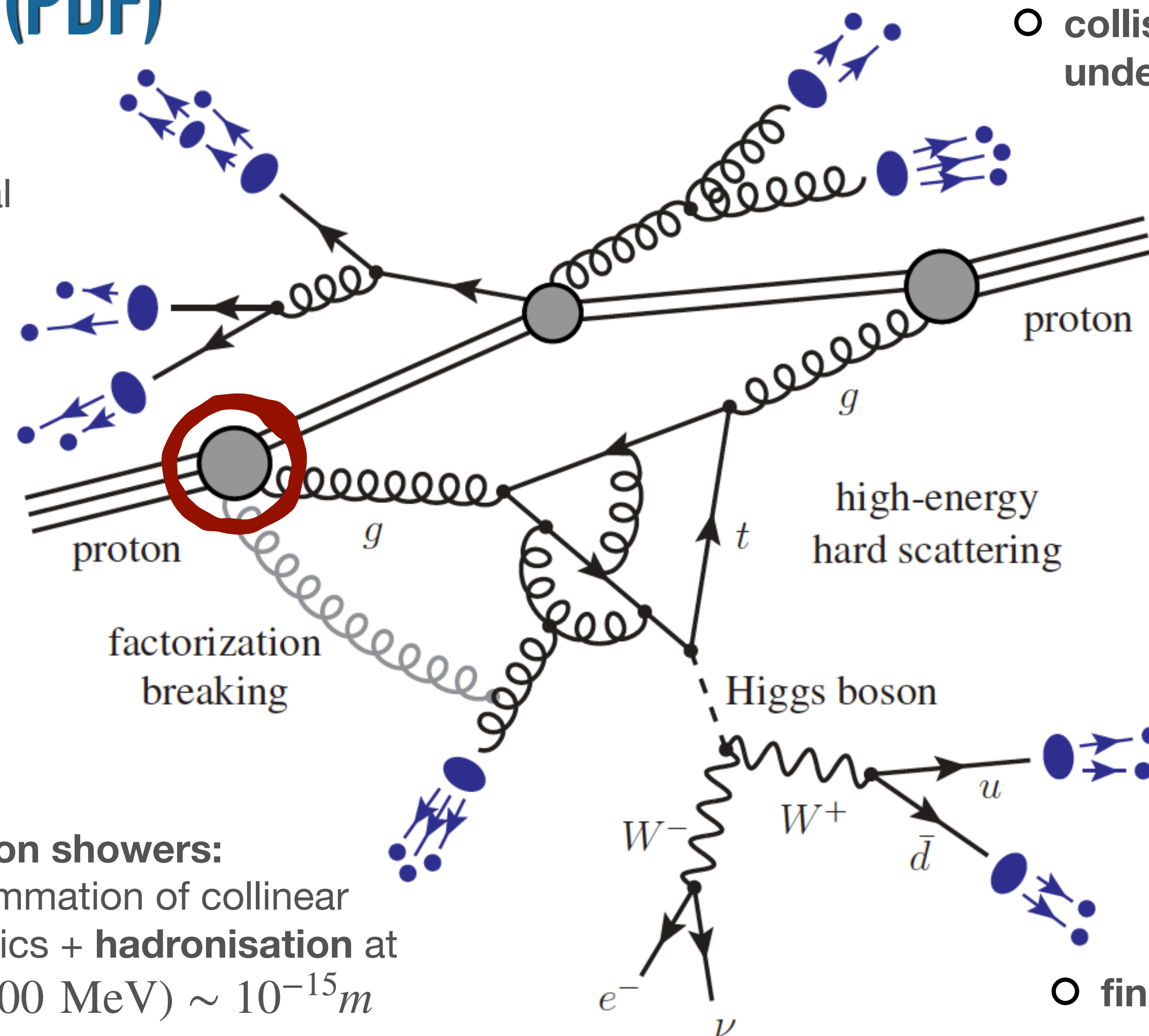
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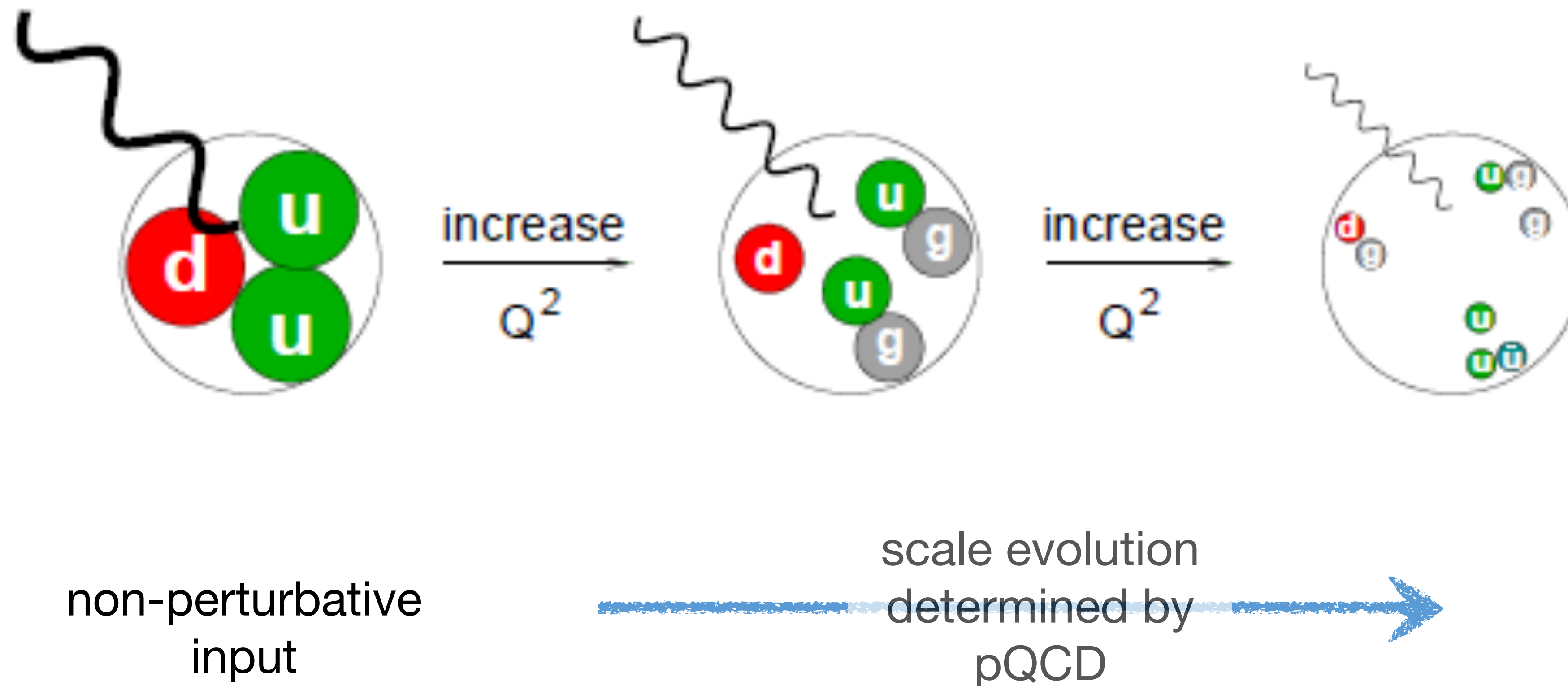
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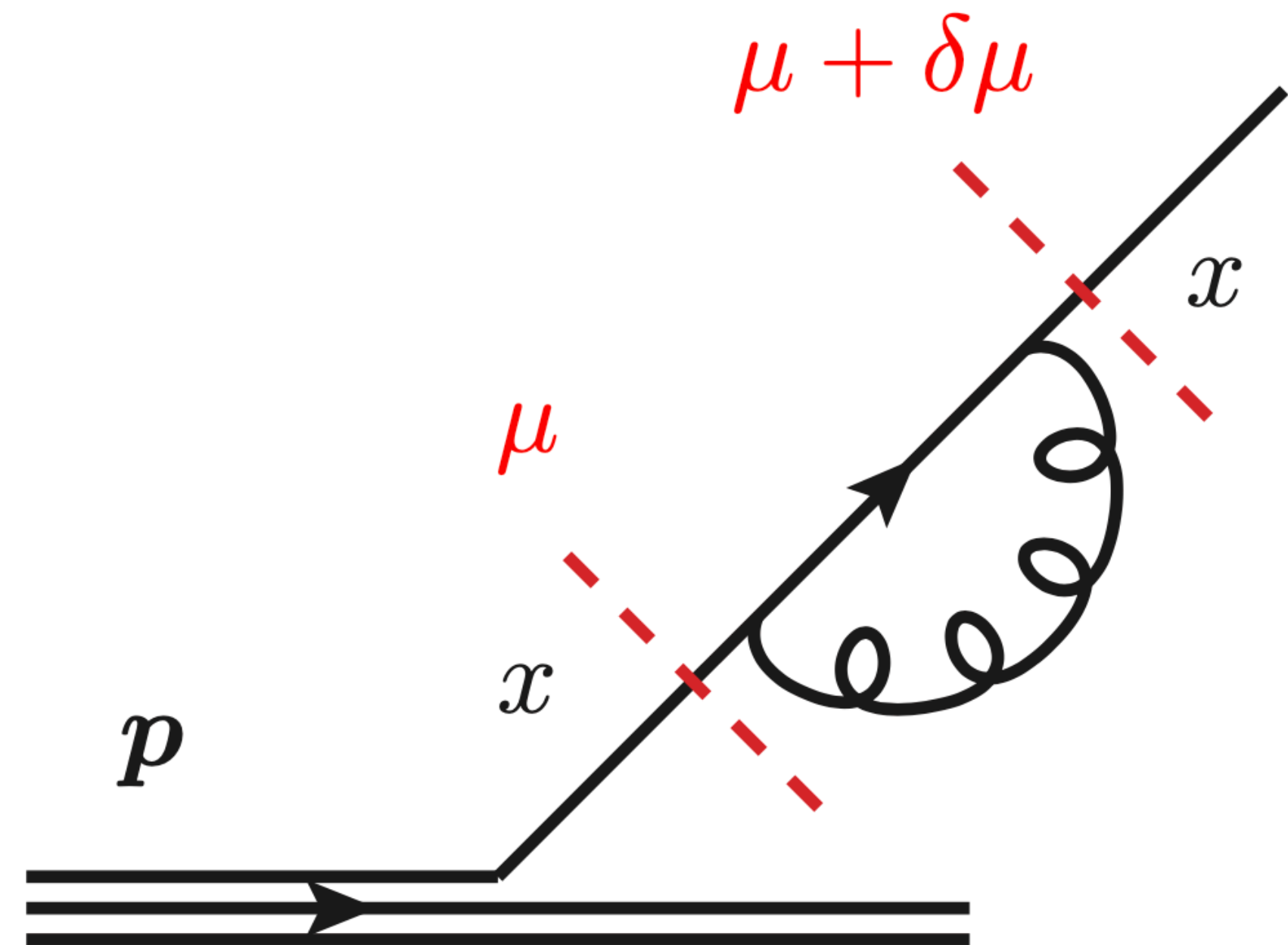
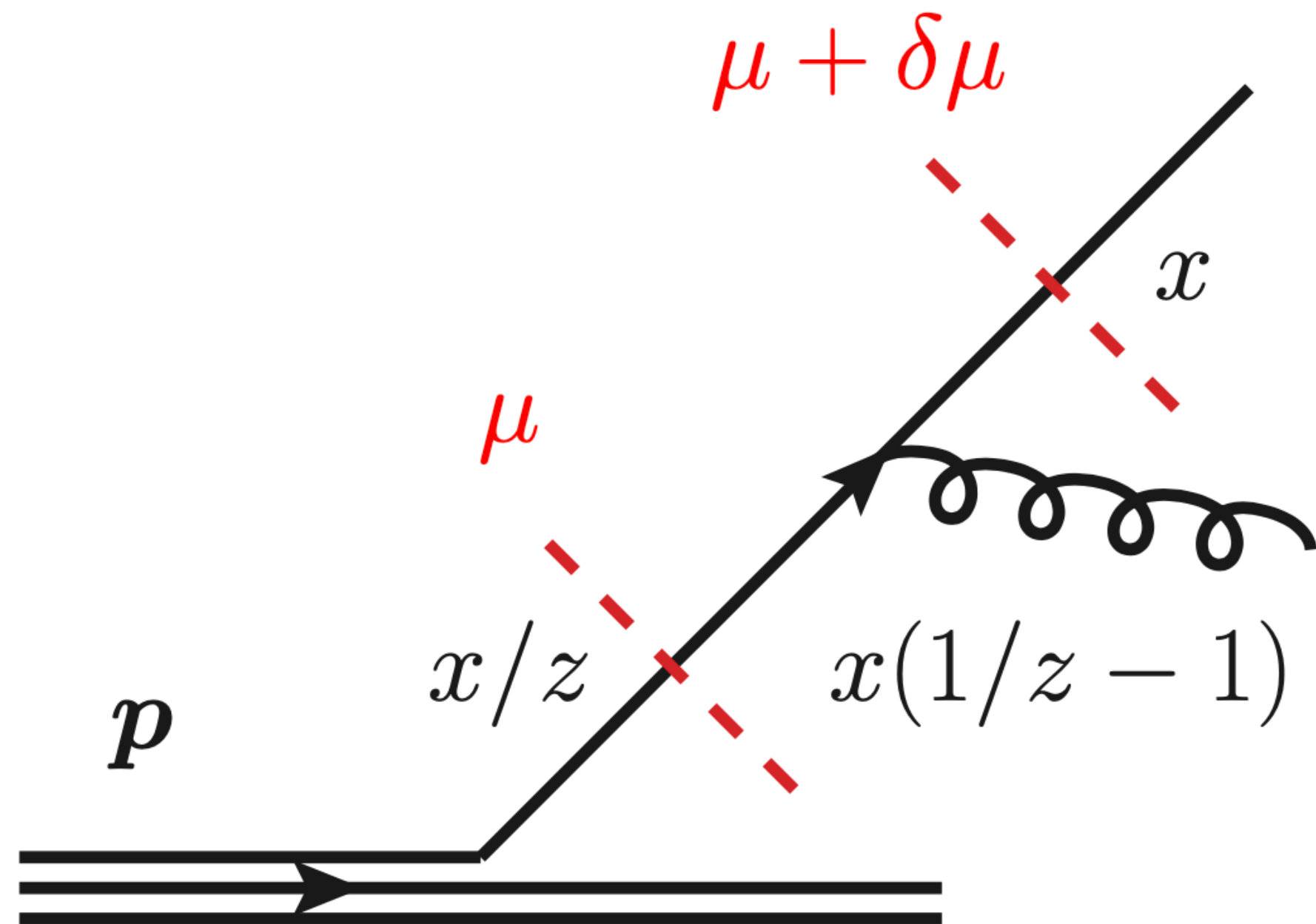


Looking inside the proton



Parton density (PDF): “*probability*” to find a parton of a given flavour carrying a longitudinal momentum fraction $x \in [0,1]$ of the momentum of the proton

DGLAP evolution [[Dokshitzer](#)–[Gribov](#)–[Lipatov](#)–[Altarelli](#)–[Parisi](#) 1972-1977]



$$\frac{\partial q(x, \mu^2)}{\partial \log \mu^2} = \frac{\alpha_S}{2\pi} \int_x^1 \frac{dz}{z} P_{q \rightarrow qg}(z) q(x/z, \mu^2)$$

DGLAP flavour structure

The proton contains both quarks and gluons: DGLAP is a **matrix in flavour space**

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \log \mu^2} \begin{pmatrix} q \\ g \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} P_{q \rightarrow qg} & P_{g \rightarrow q\bar{q}} \\ P_{q \rightarrow gq} & P_{g \rightarrow gg} \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} q \\ g \end{pmatrix}$$

spanning over all flavours and anti-flavours

$$P_{q \rightarrow qg} = C_F \left(\frac{1+z^2}{(1-z)_+} + \frac{3}{2} \delta(1-z) \right)$$

$$P_{q \rightarrow gq} = C_F \frac{1+(1-z)}{z}$$

$$P_{g \rightarrow q\bar{q}} = T_R [z^2 + (1-z)^2]$$

$$P_{g \rightarrow gg} = 2C_A \left[\frac{z}{(1-z)_+} + \frac{1-z}{z} + z(1-z) \right] + b_0 \delta(1-z)$$

with the plus-prescription $z = 1$ is soft: only soft configurations matches virtual with real corrections


$$\int_0^1 dz \frac{f(z)}{(1-z)_+} = \int_0^1 dz \frac{f(z) - f(1)}{1-z}$$



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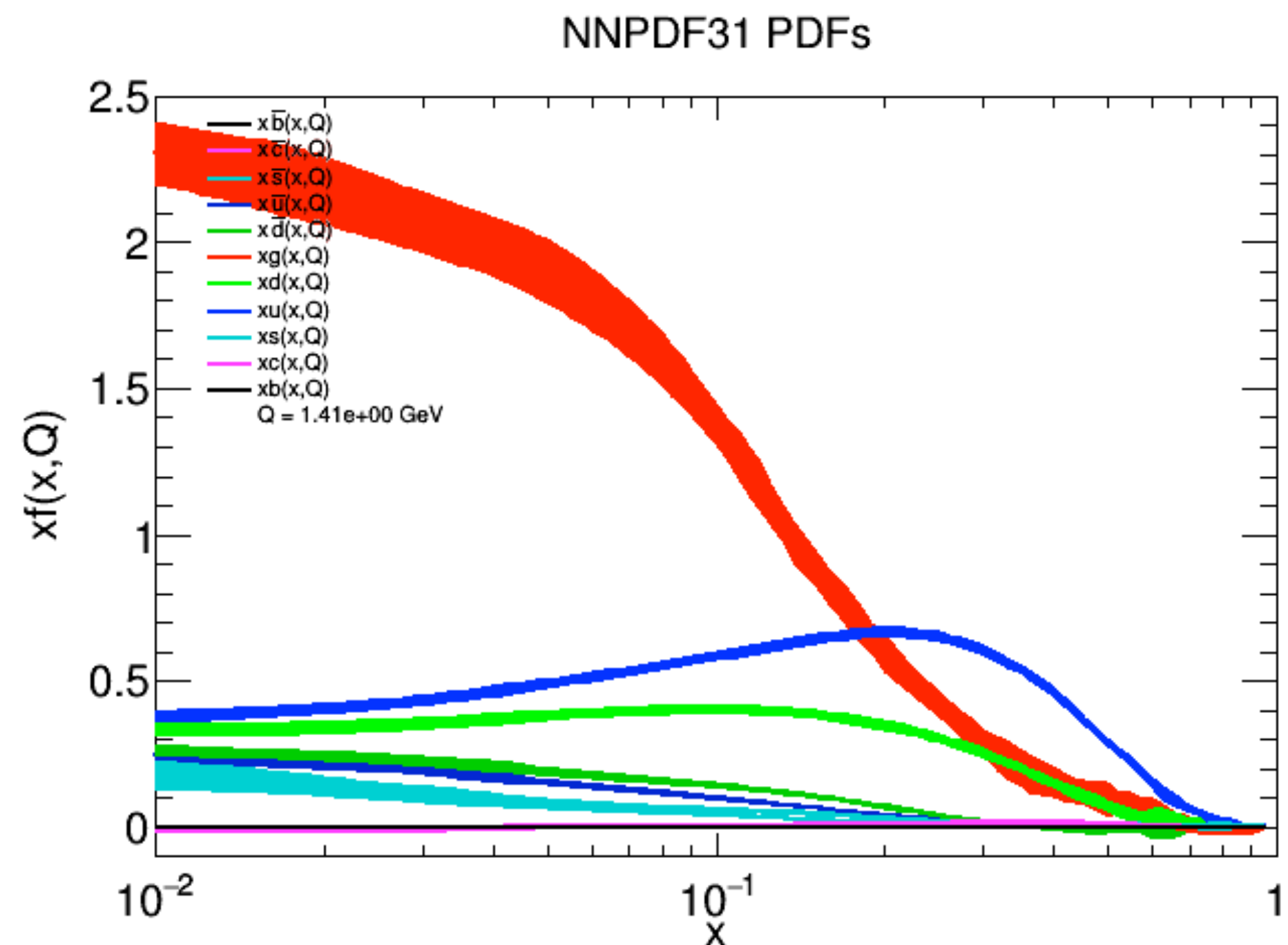
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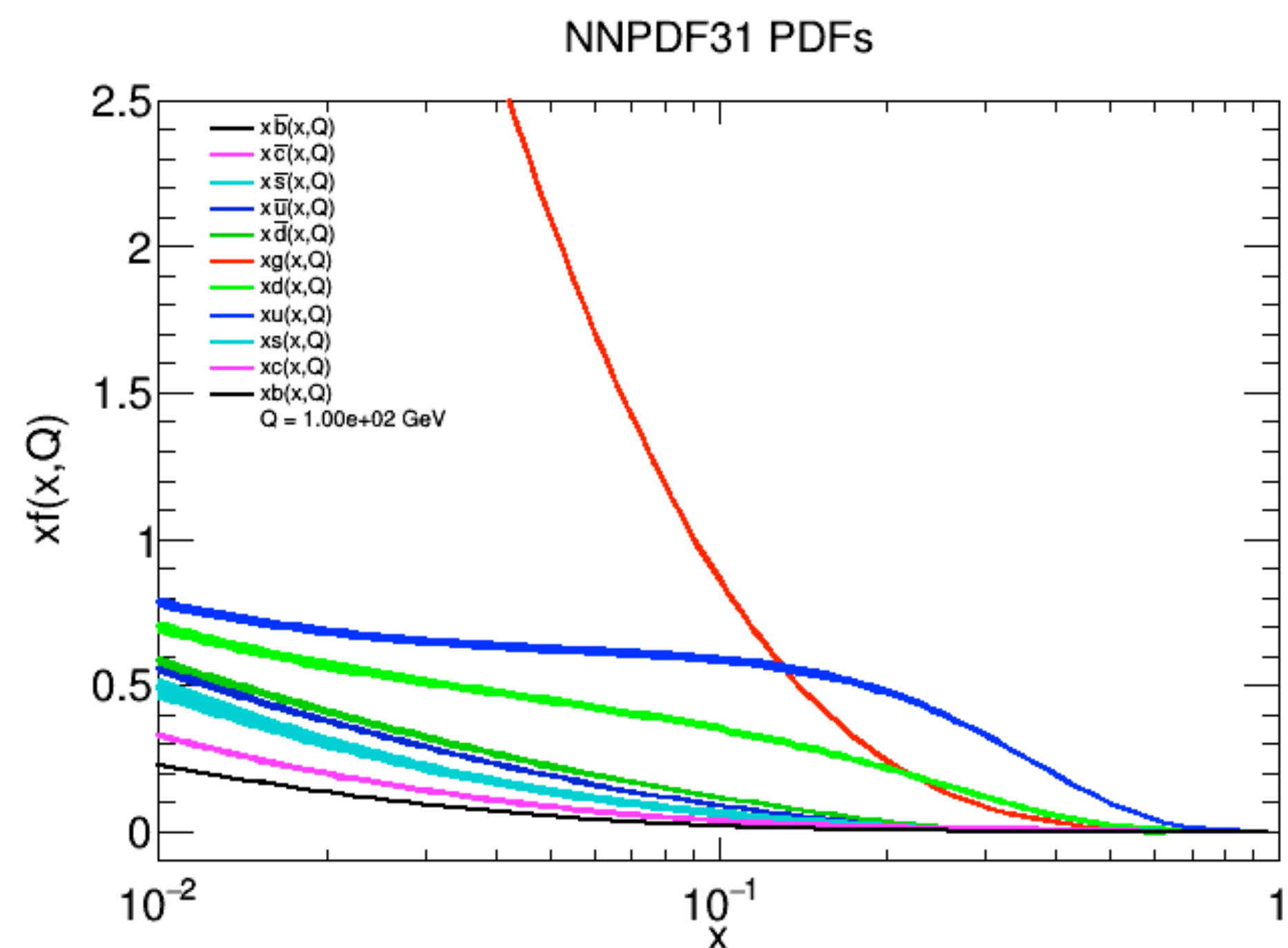
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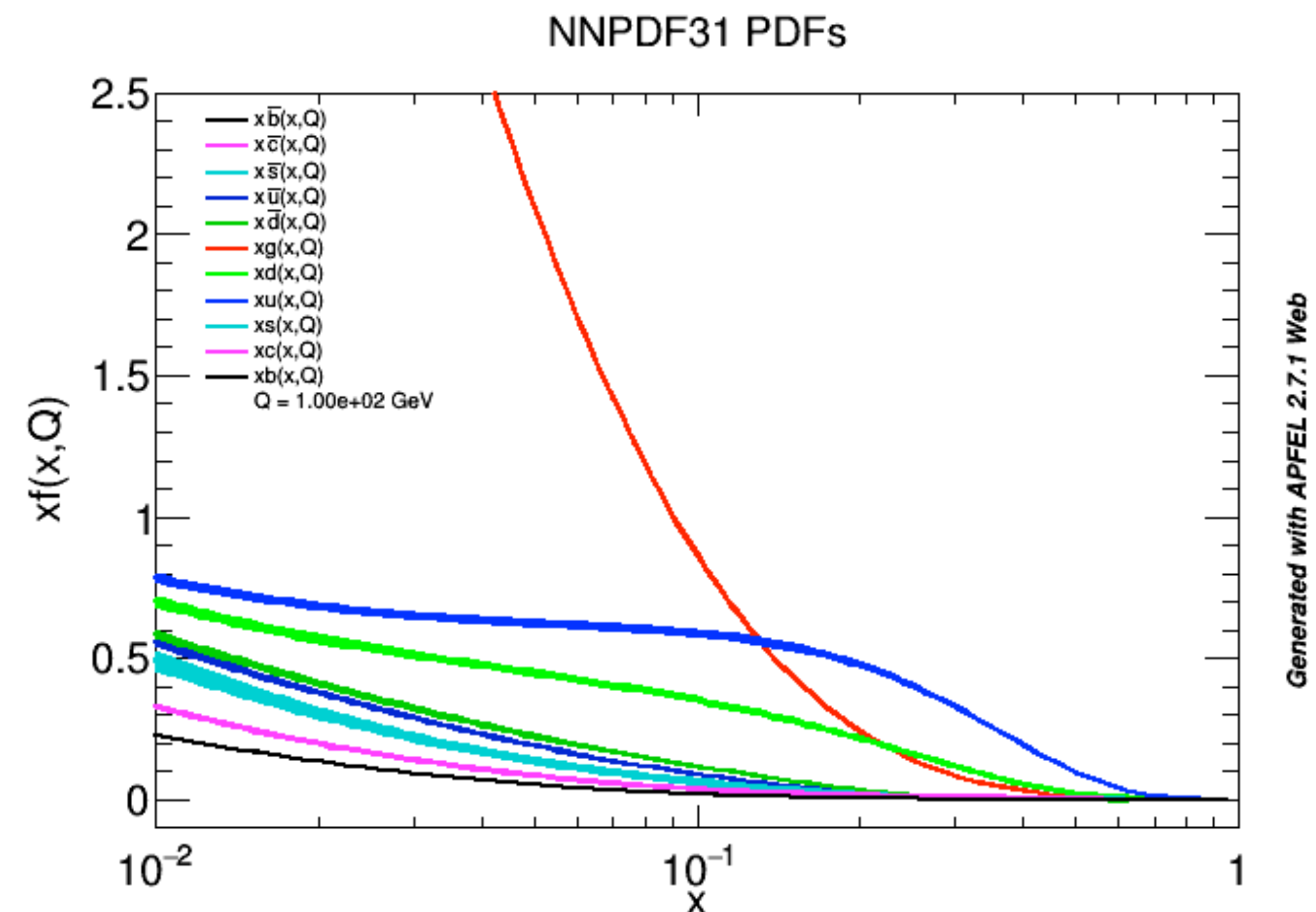
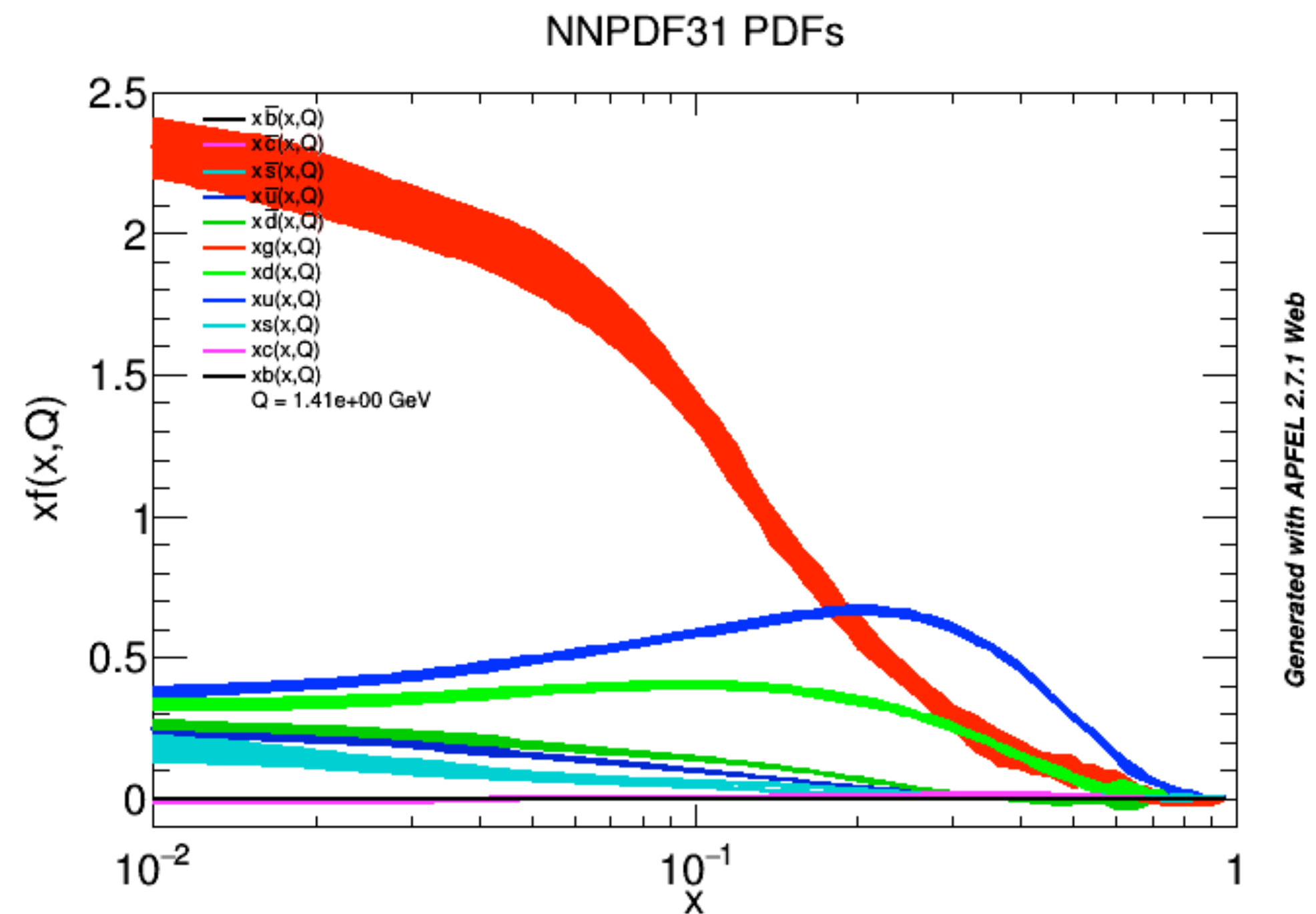
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Plot all members: ☒

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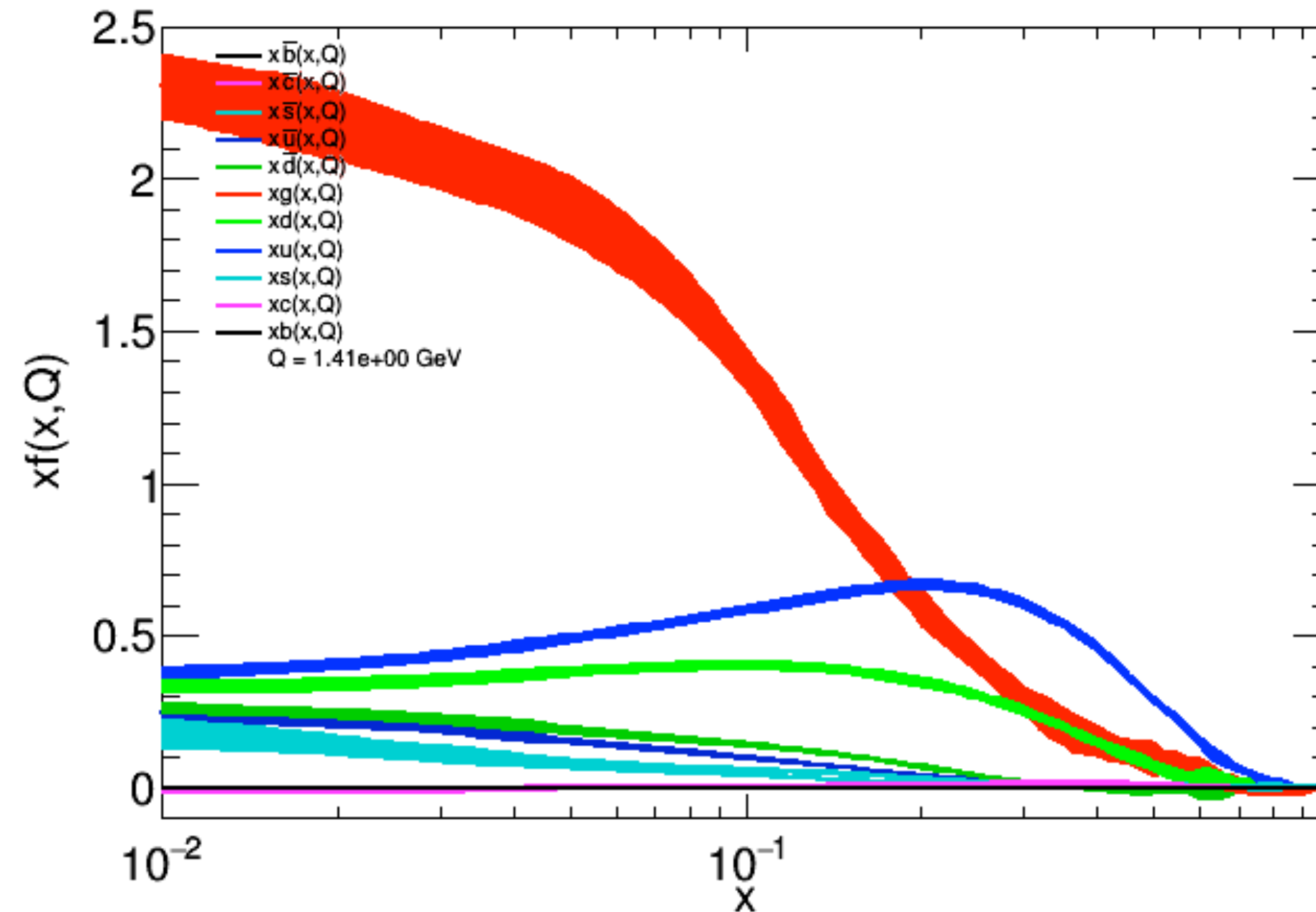
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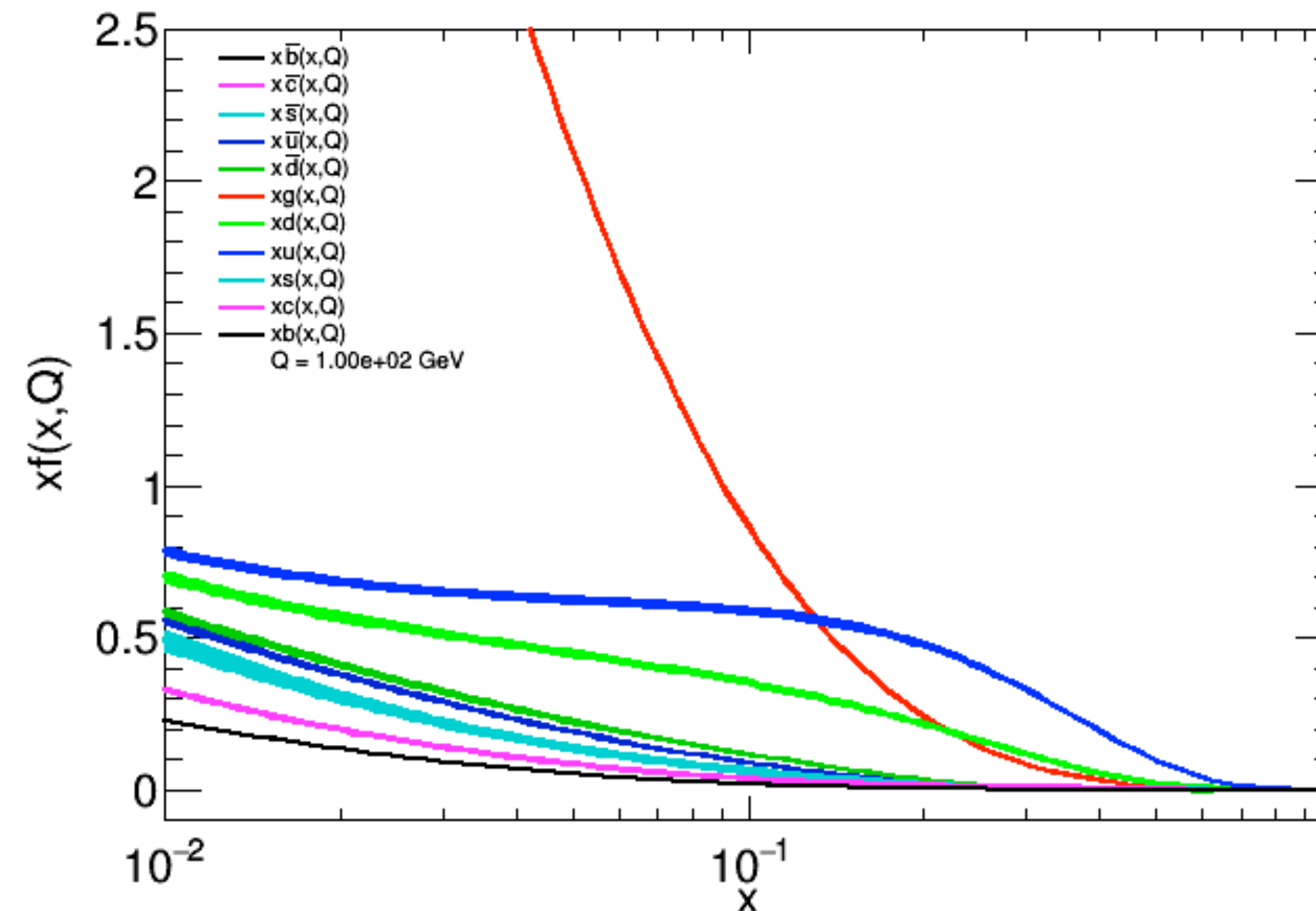
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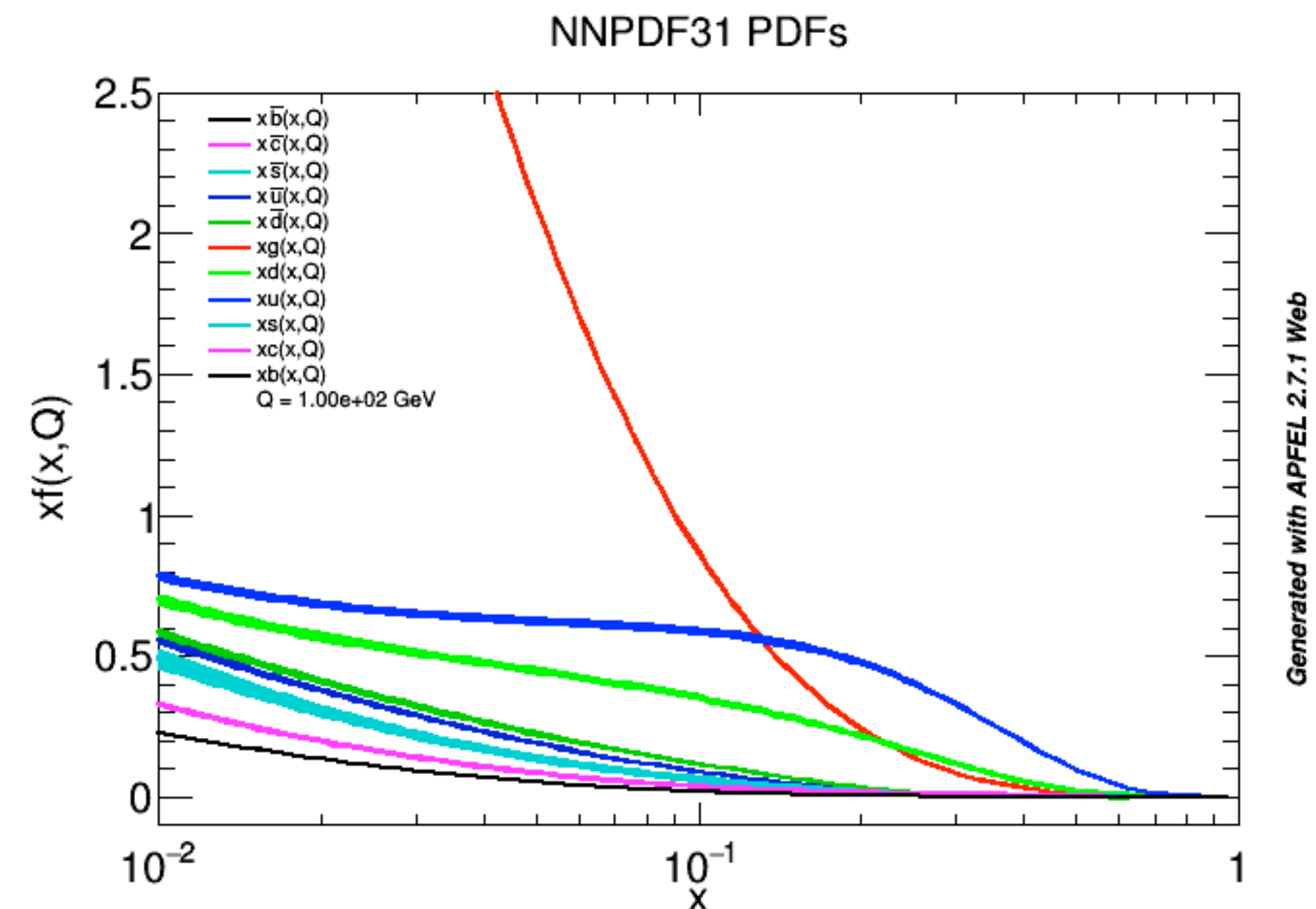
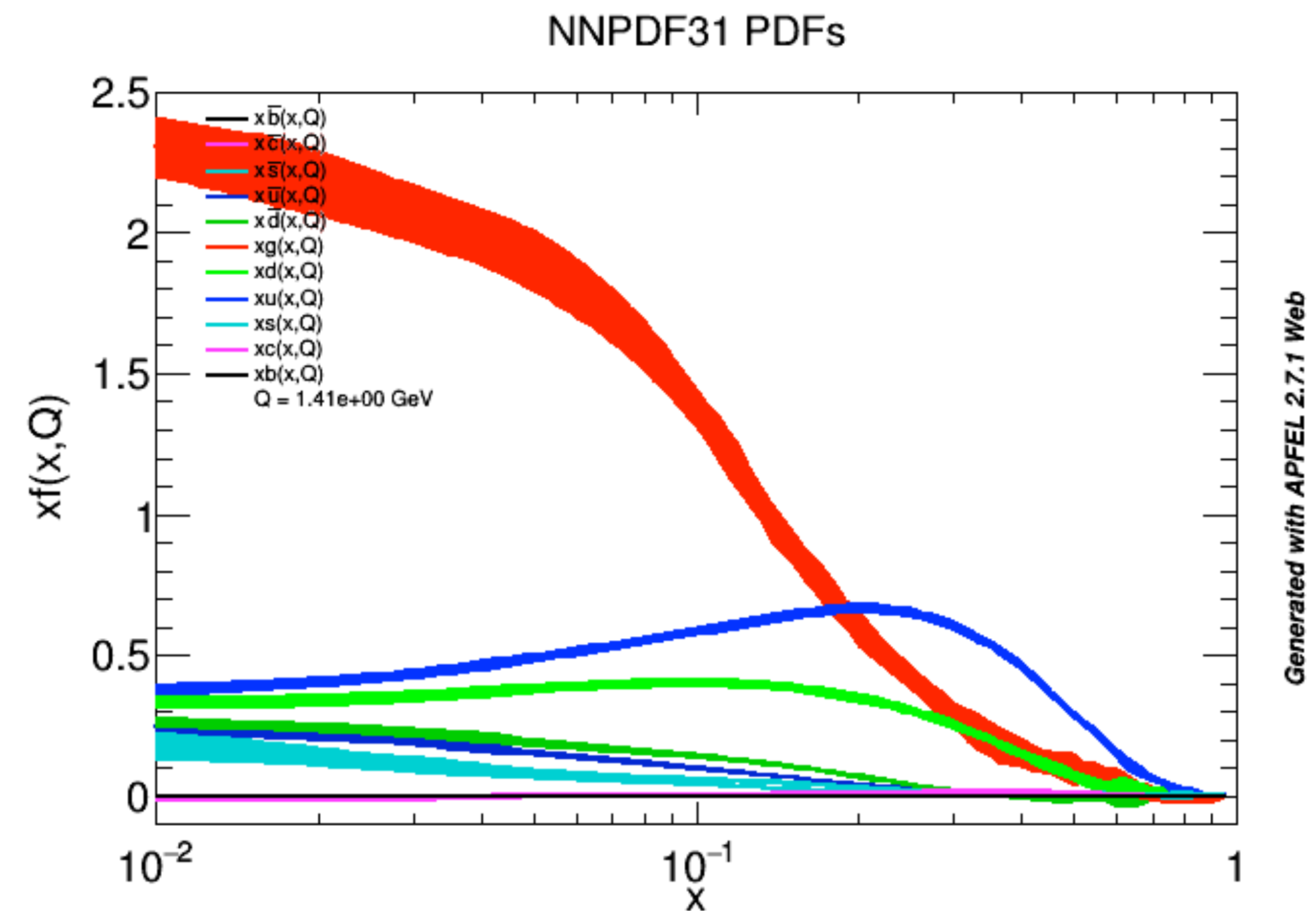
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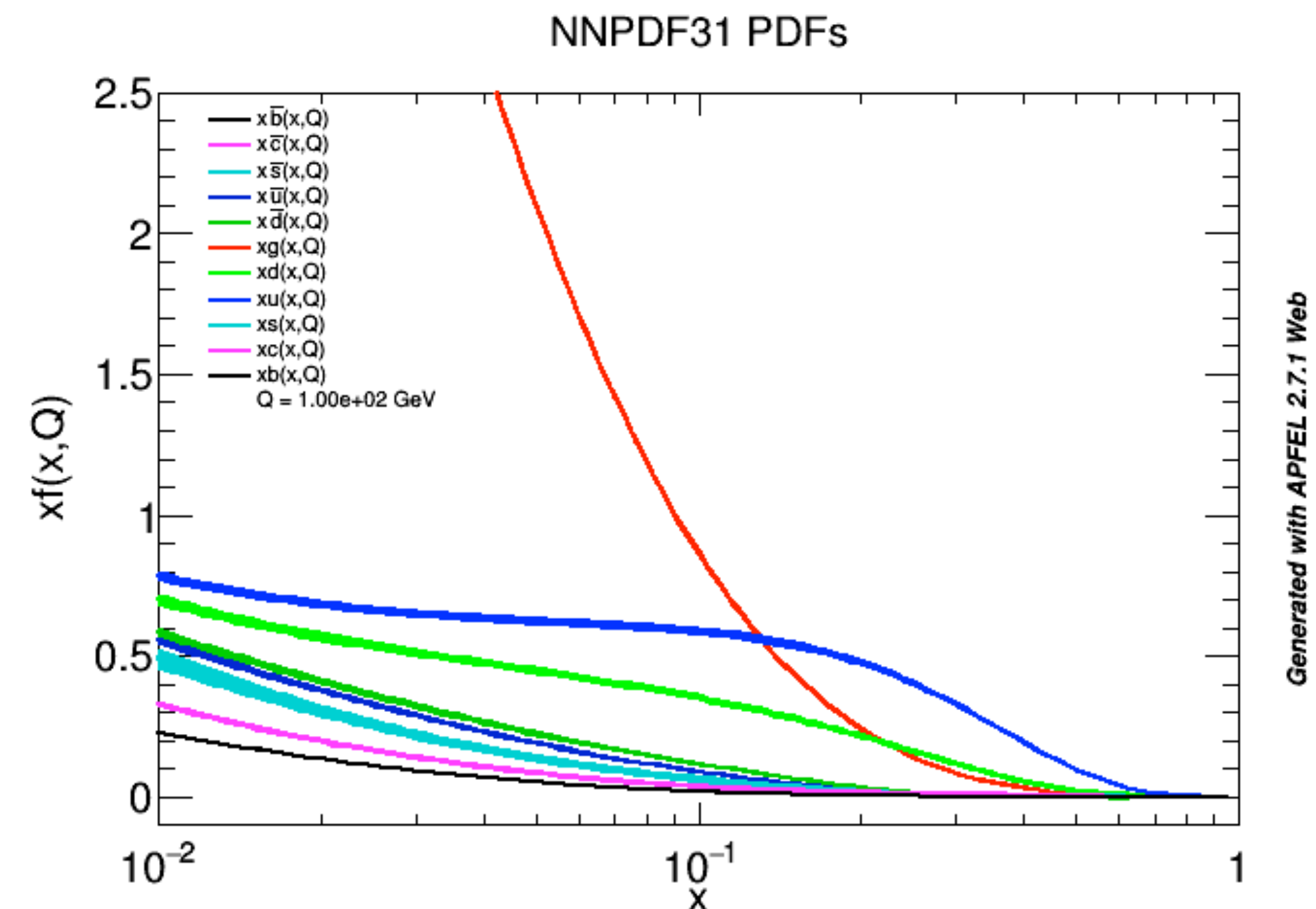
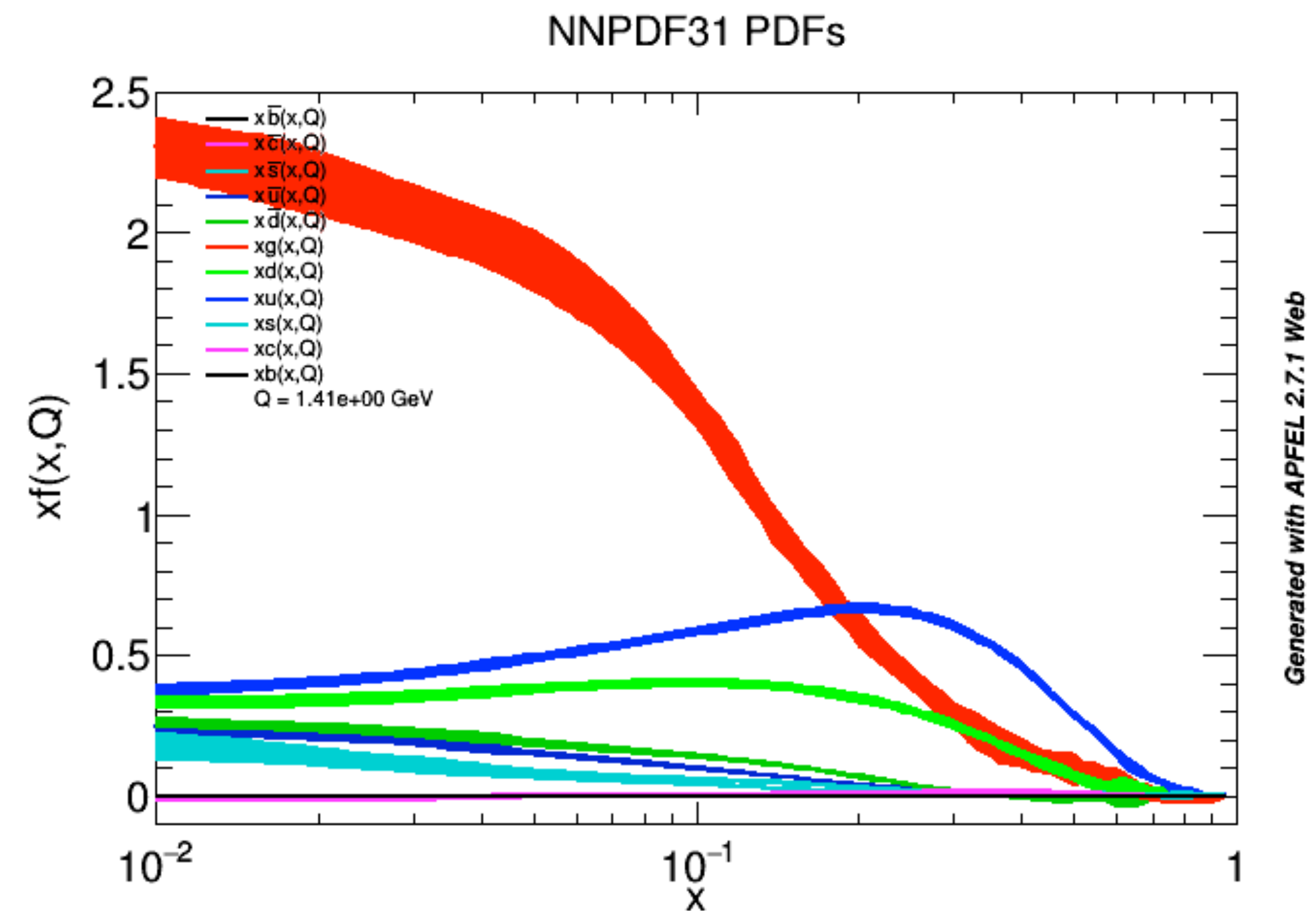
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PDFs strategy in a nutshell

- Make an **ansatz** for the functional form of the PDFs at some fixed low scale value ($Q_0 \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$): e.g. in MRST/MSTW

$$x u_V = A_u x^{\eta_1} (1-x)^{\eta_2} (1 + \epsilon_u \sqrt{x} + \gamma_u x) \quad u_V = u - \bar{u}$$

$$x d_V = A_d x^{\eta_3} (1-x)^{\eta_4} (1 + \epsilon_d \sqrt{x} + \gamma_d x) \quad d_V = d - \bar{d}$$

$$x g = A_g x^{-\lambda_g} (1-x)^{\eta_g} (1 + \epsilon_g \sqrt{x} + \gamma_g x)$$

- **NNPDF** use **neural networks** and does not need such explicit functional form
- Collect data at various (x, Q^2) from different experiments (e.g. DIS), use DGLAP equations to evolve down to Q_0 and fit parameters, including α_s

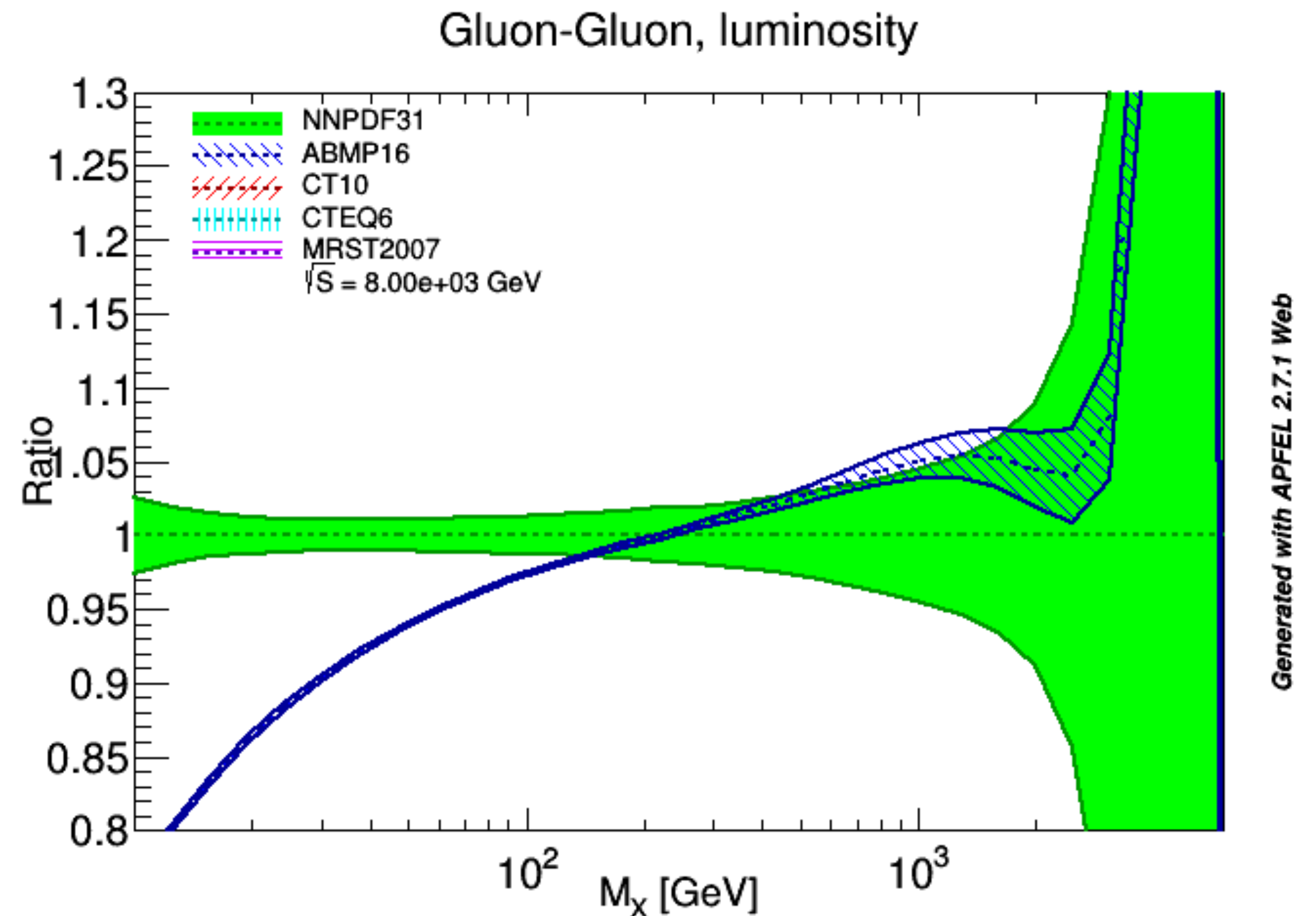
- Ensure **sum rules**: (Gottfried, momentum, ...). $\int dx x \sum_i f_i(x, Q^2) = 1$

Parton densities

- **Differences are due to different:**

Data sets in fits, parameterization of starting distributions, order of pQCD evolution, power law contributions, nuclear target corrections, resummation corrections ($\ln 1/x$, ...), treatment of heavy quarks, strong coupling, choice of factorization and renormalization scales.

- at least 5-10% uncertainty in theoretical predictions



JETS

factorisation into short distance
(hard scattering = high energy)
and long distance (initial and final
state = low energy)

○ **initial-state**
parton densities
 $1/\text{GeV} = 10^{-16}m$

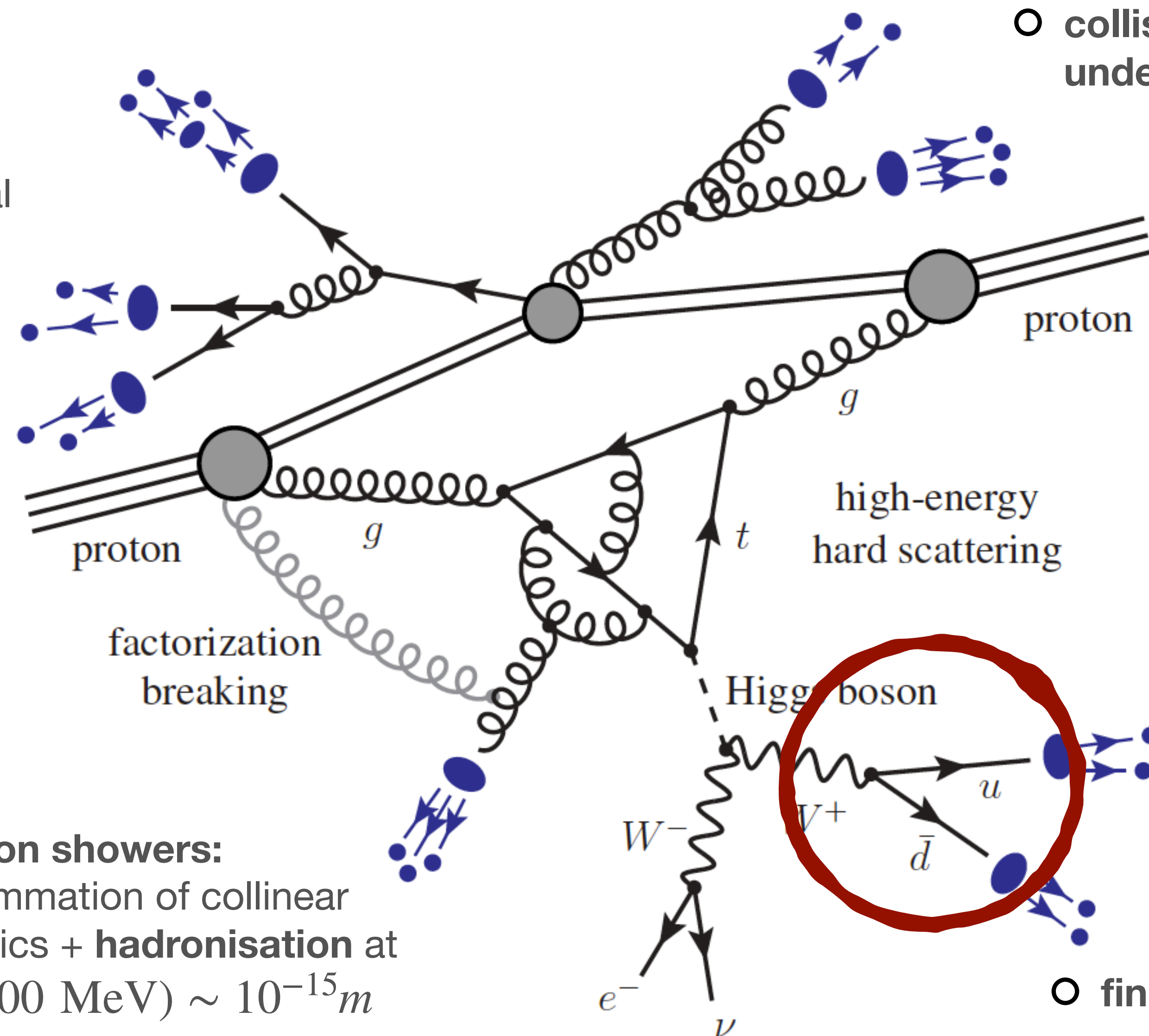
○ **Parton showers:**
resummation of collinear
physics + **hadronisation** at
 $1/(200 \text{ MeV}) \sim 10^{-15}m$

○ **collision remnants /**
underlying event

○ **High-energy collision**
at $1/\text{TeV} \sim 10^{-19}m$

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- 60% of LHC papers use jets [Salam, Soyez]

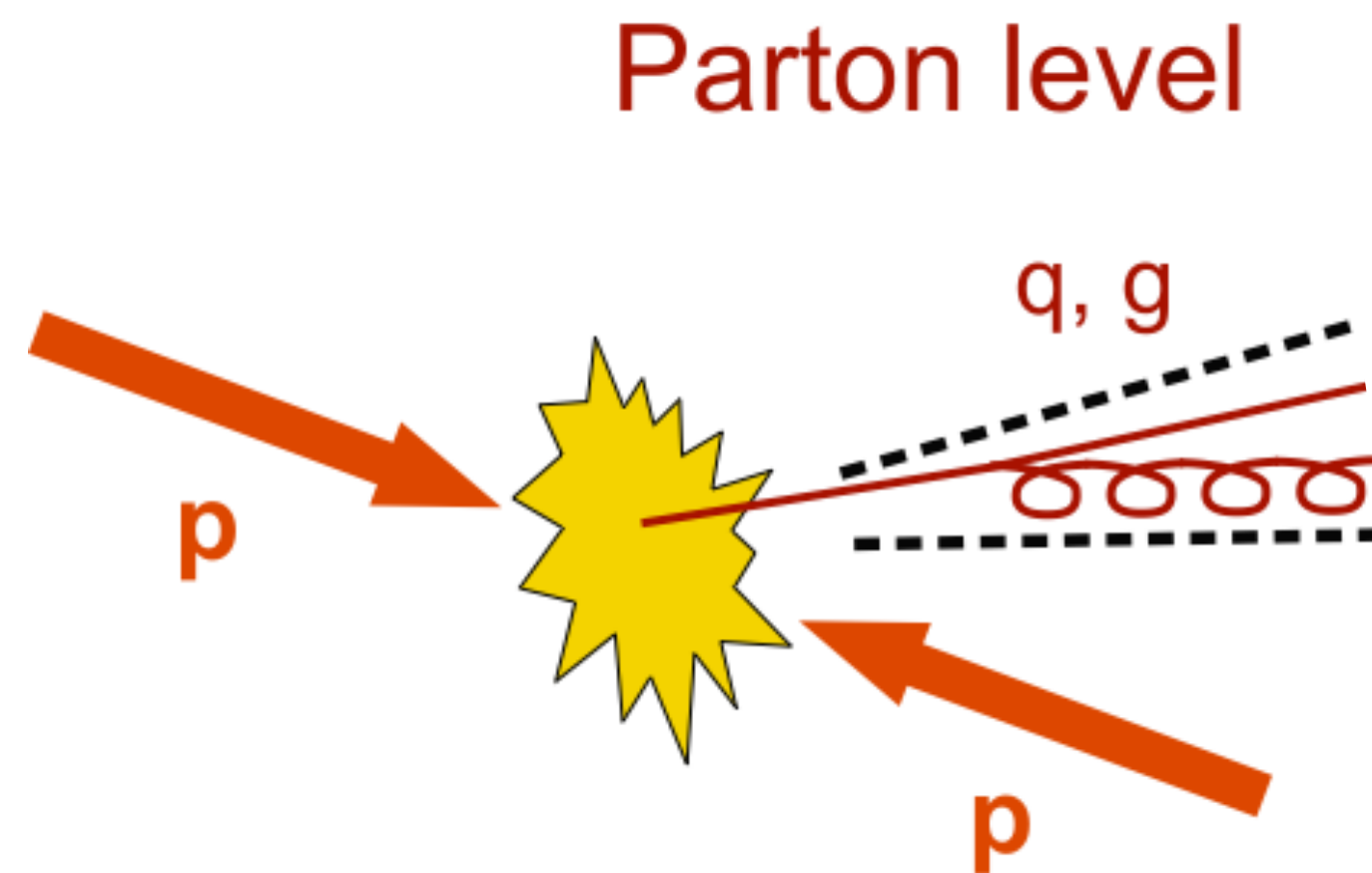


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Gluon emission

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higher probability at small angle
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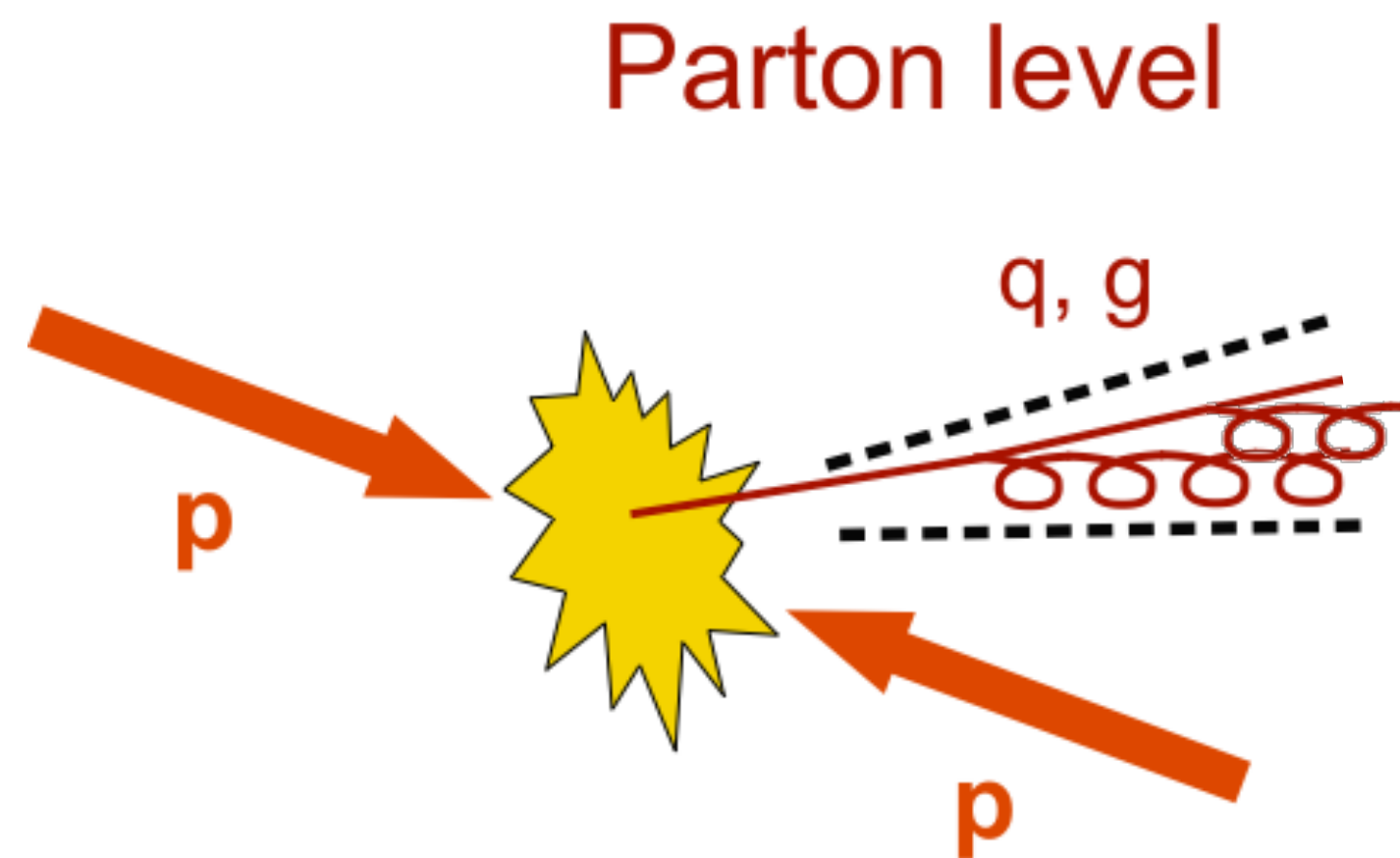


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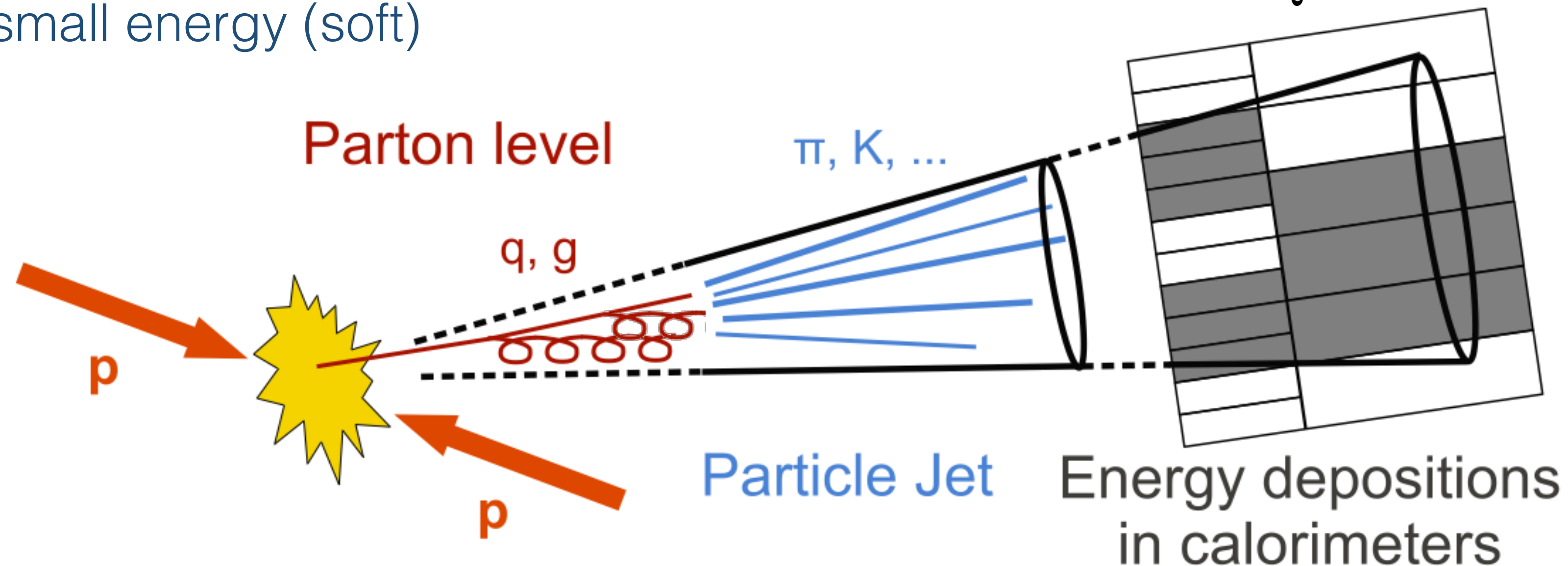
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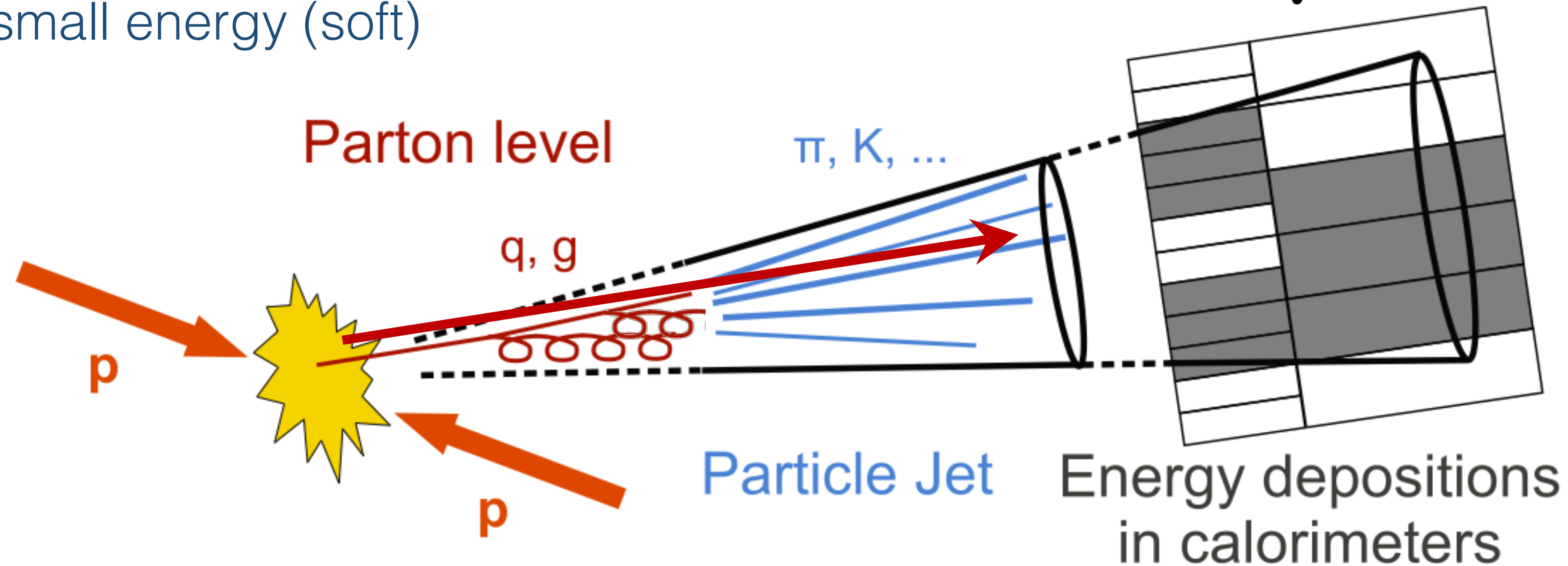
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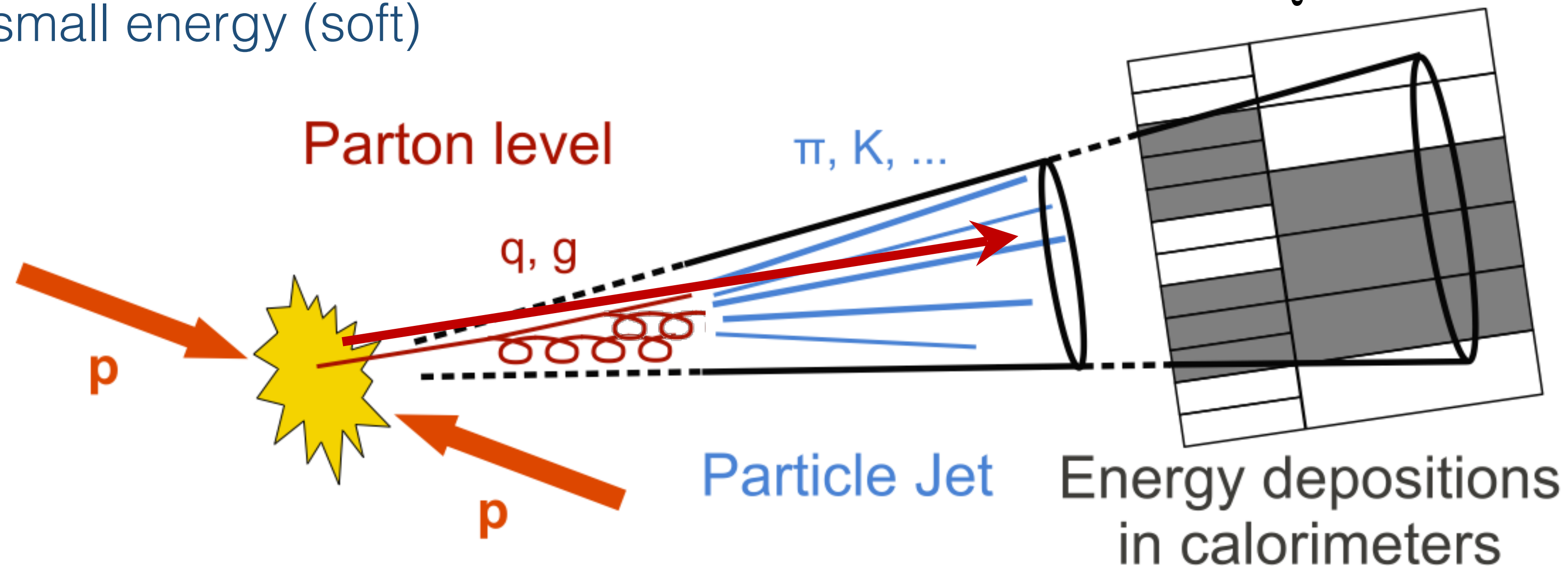
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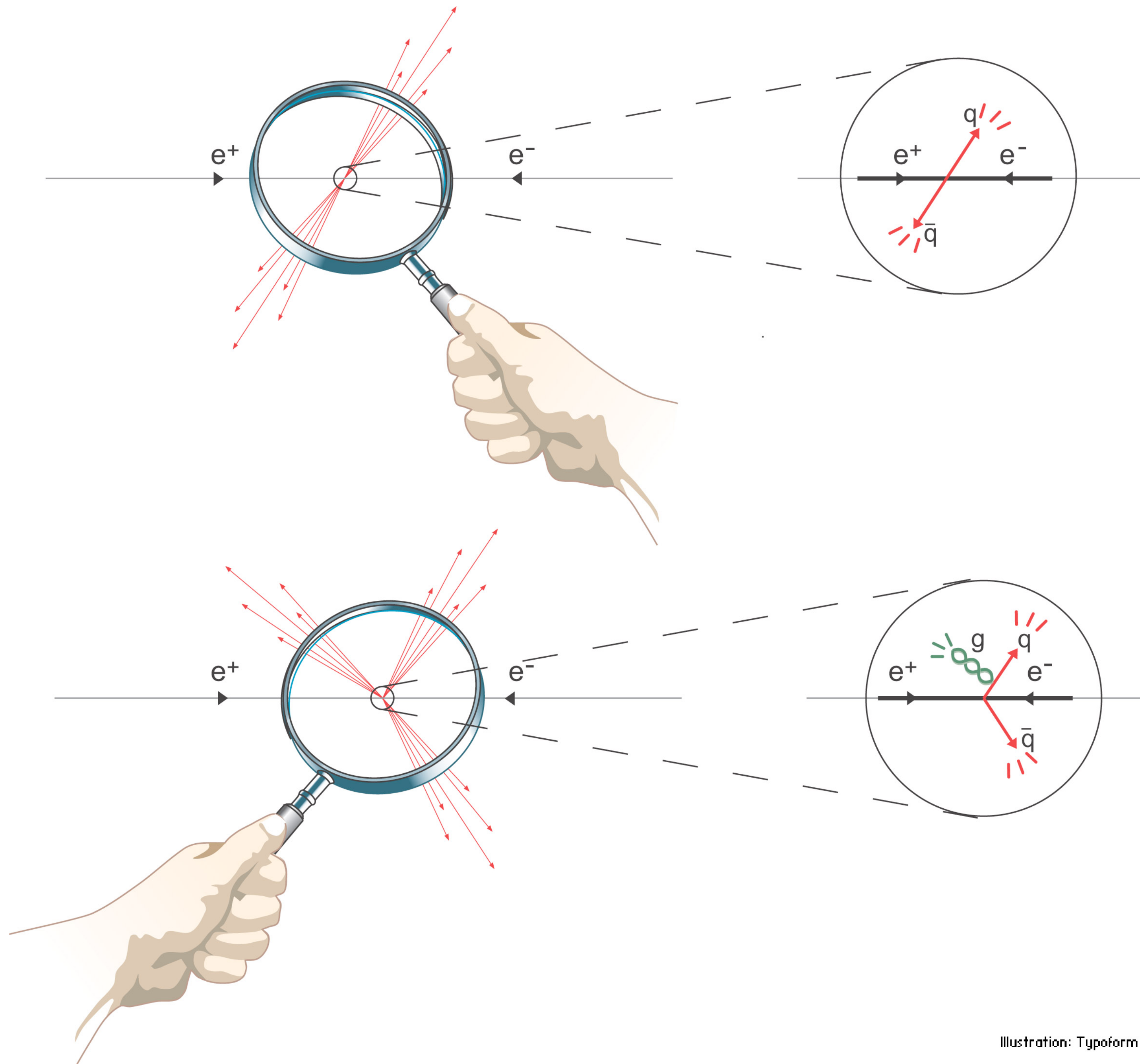
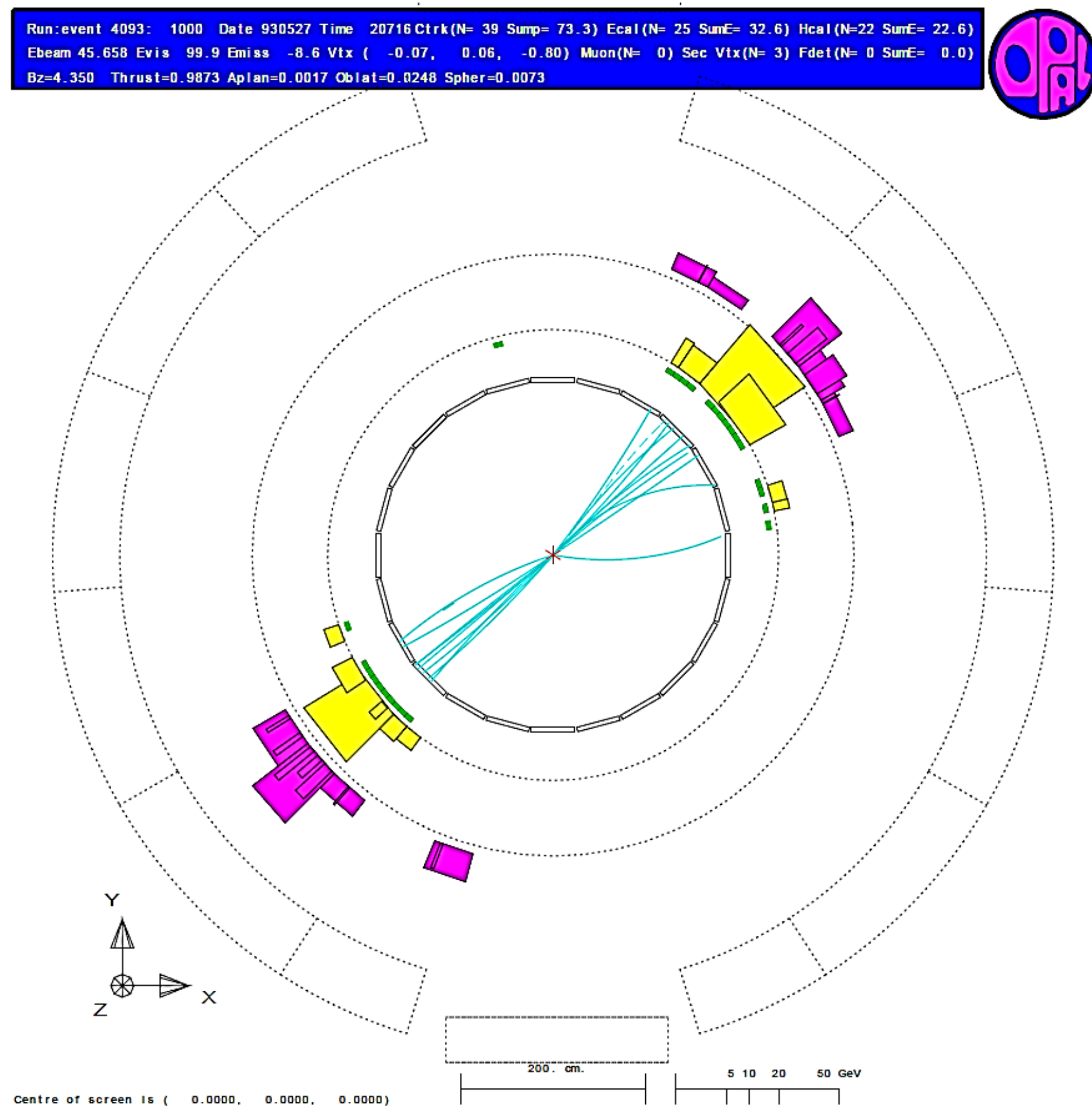
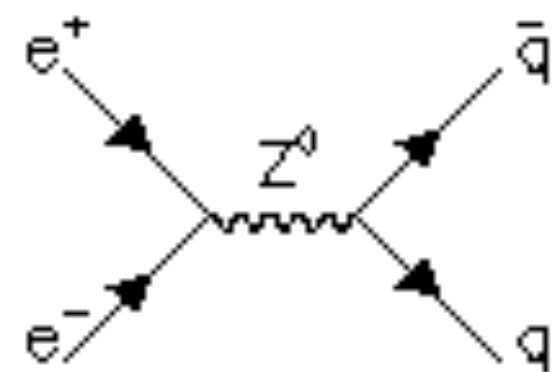
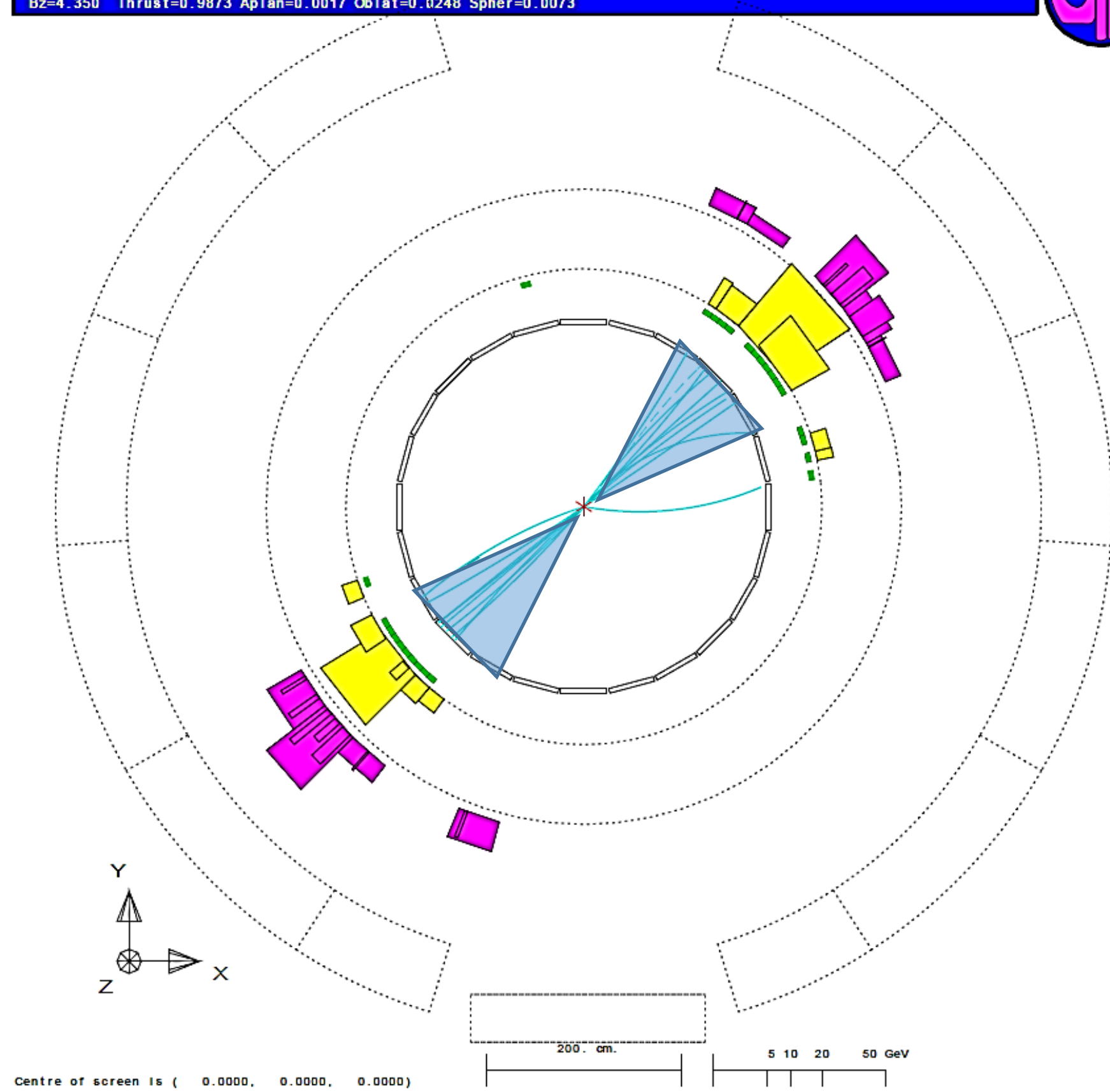


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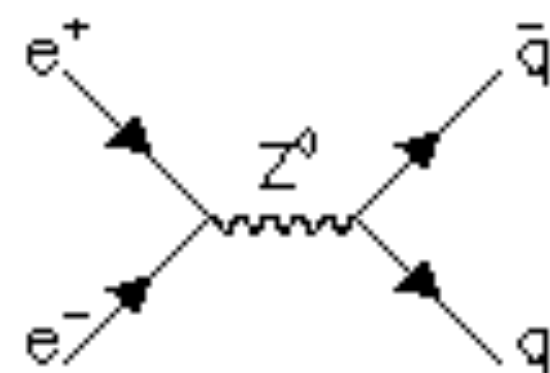
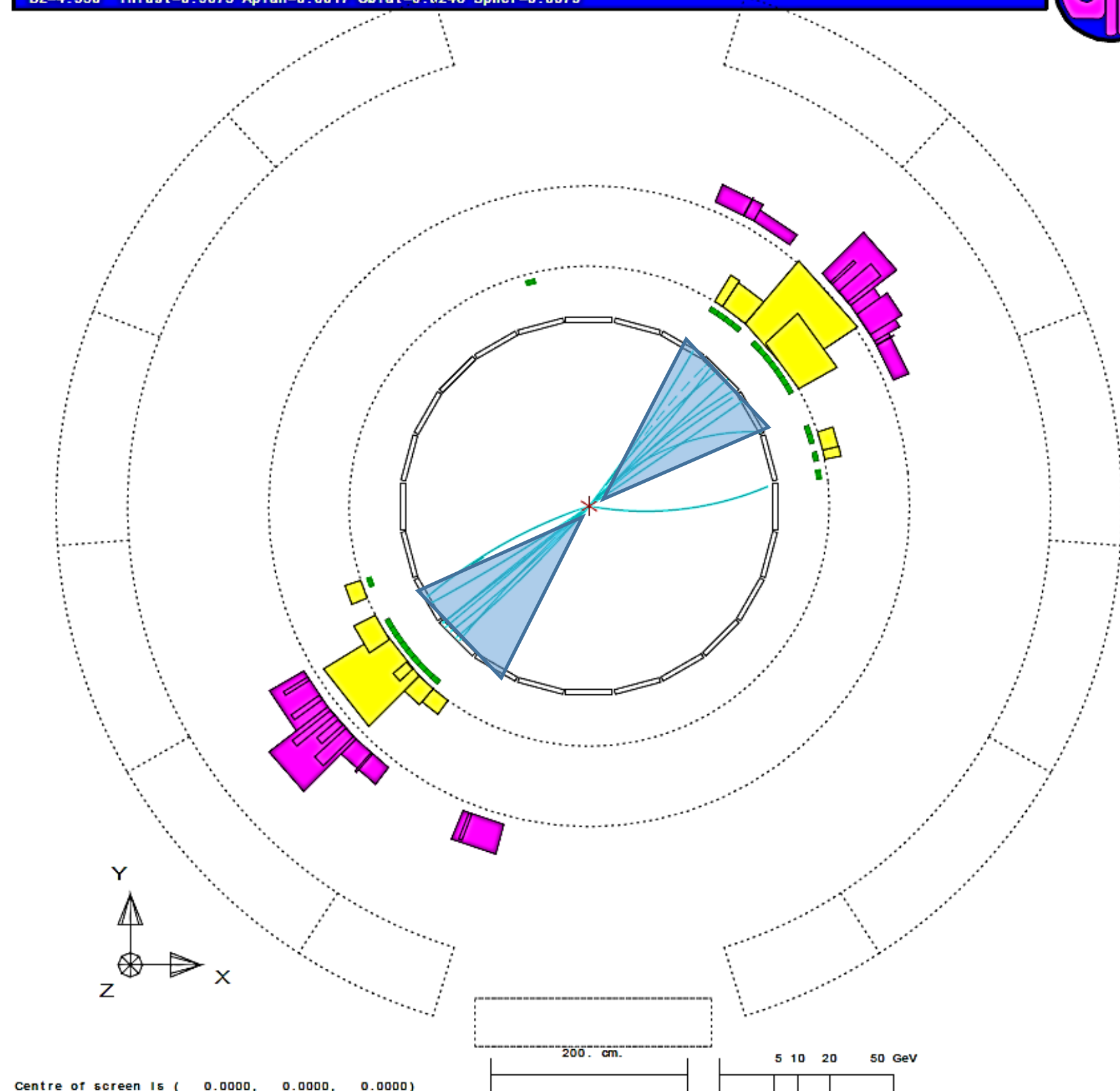


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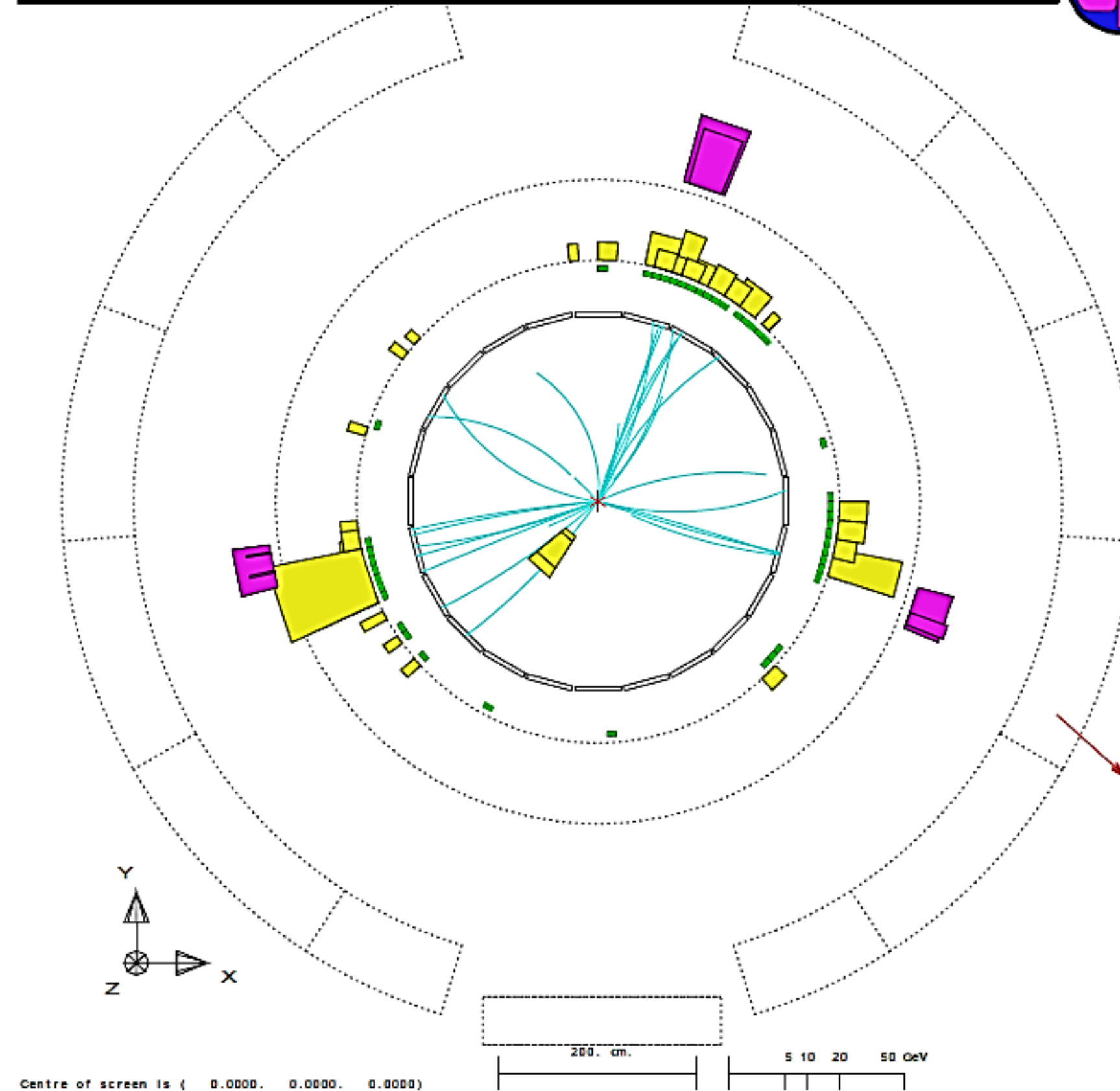
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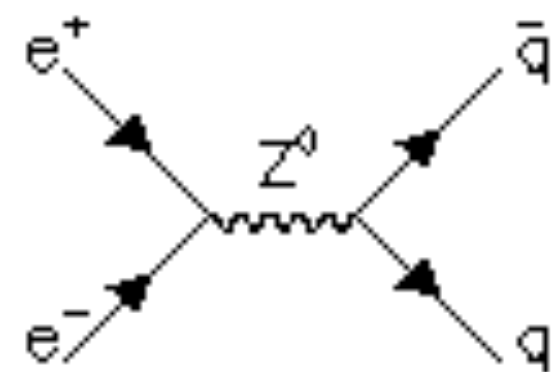
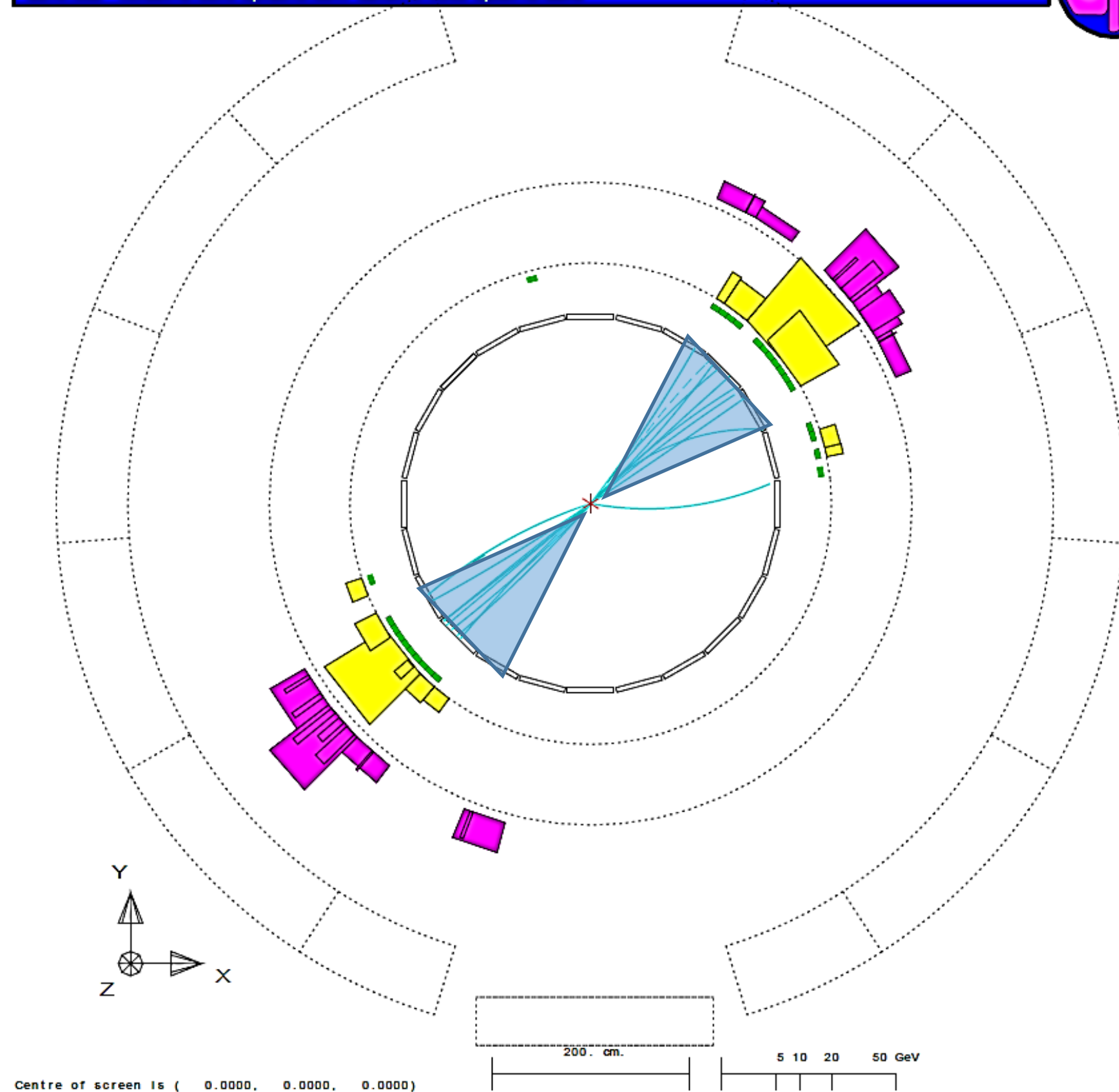


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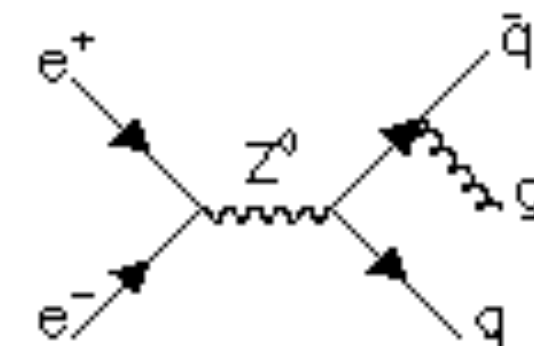
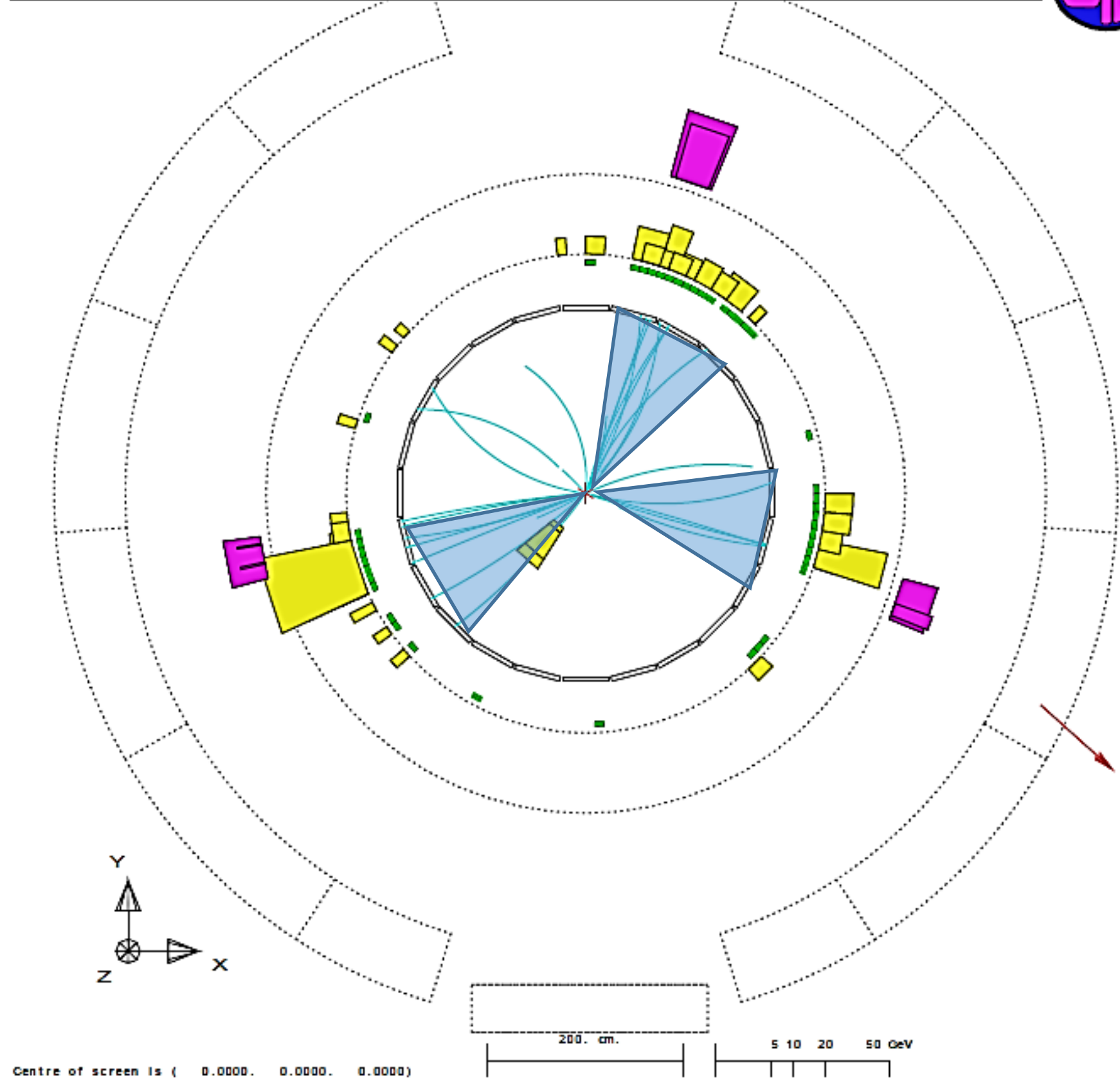


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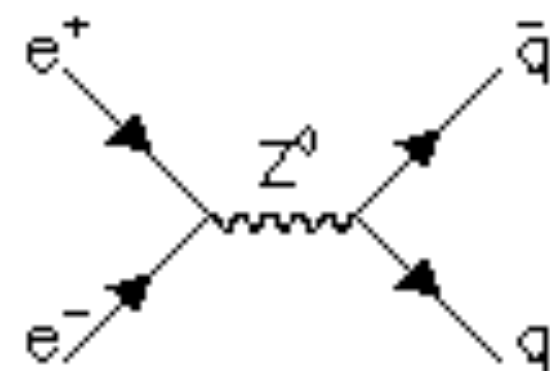
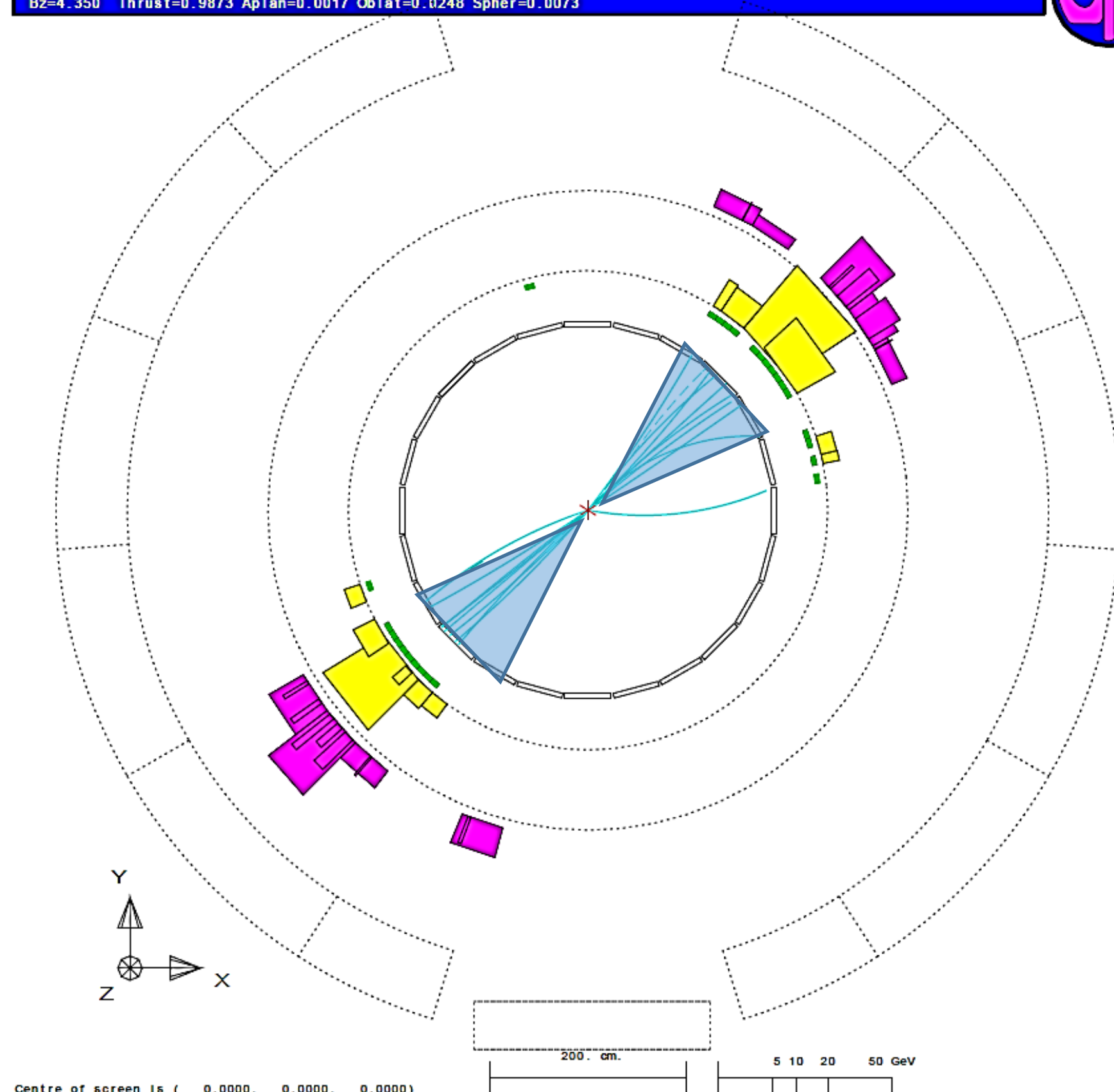


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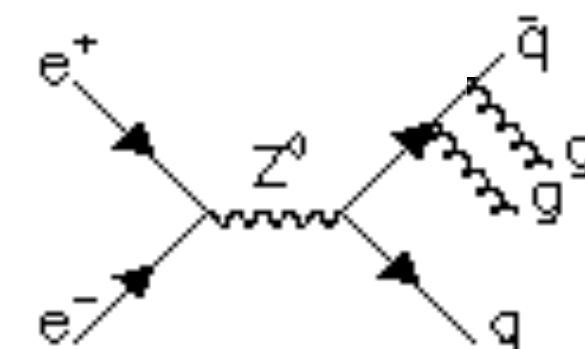
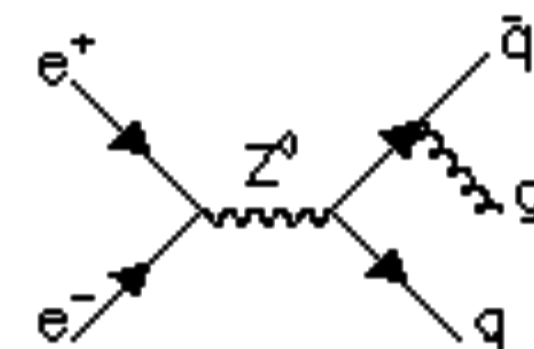
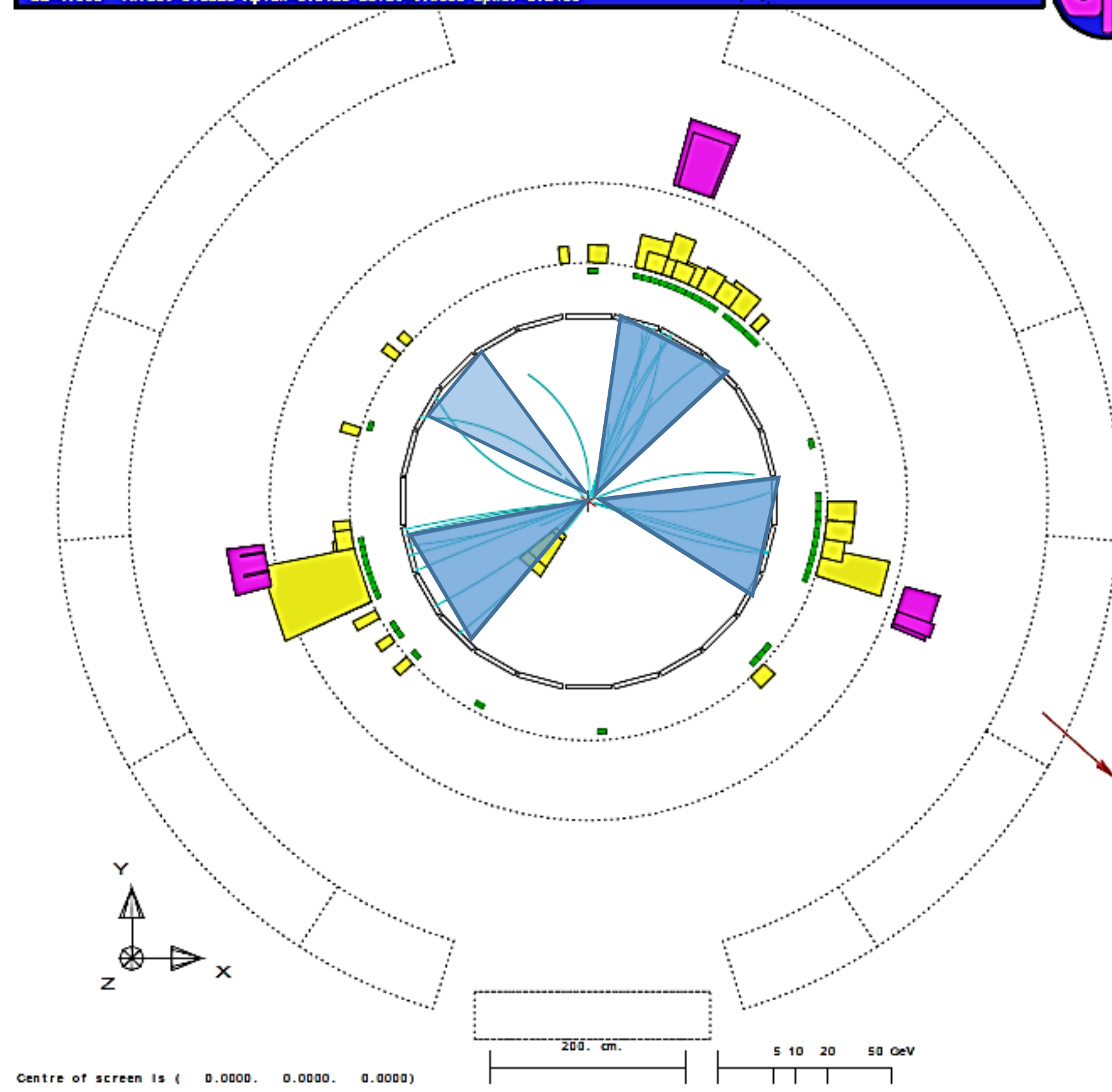


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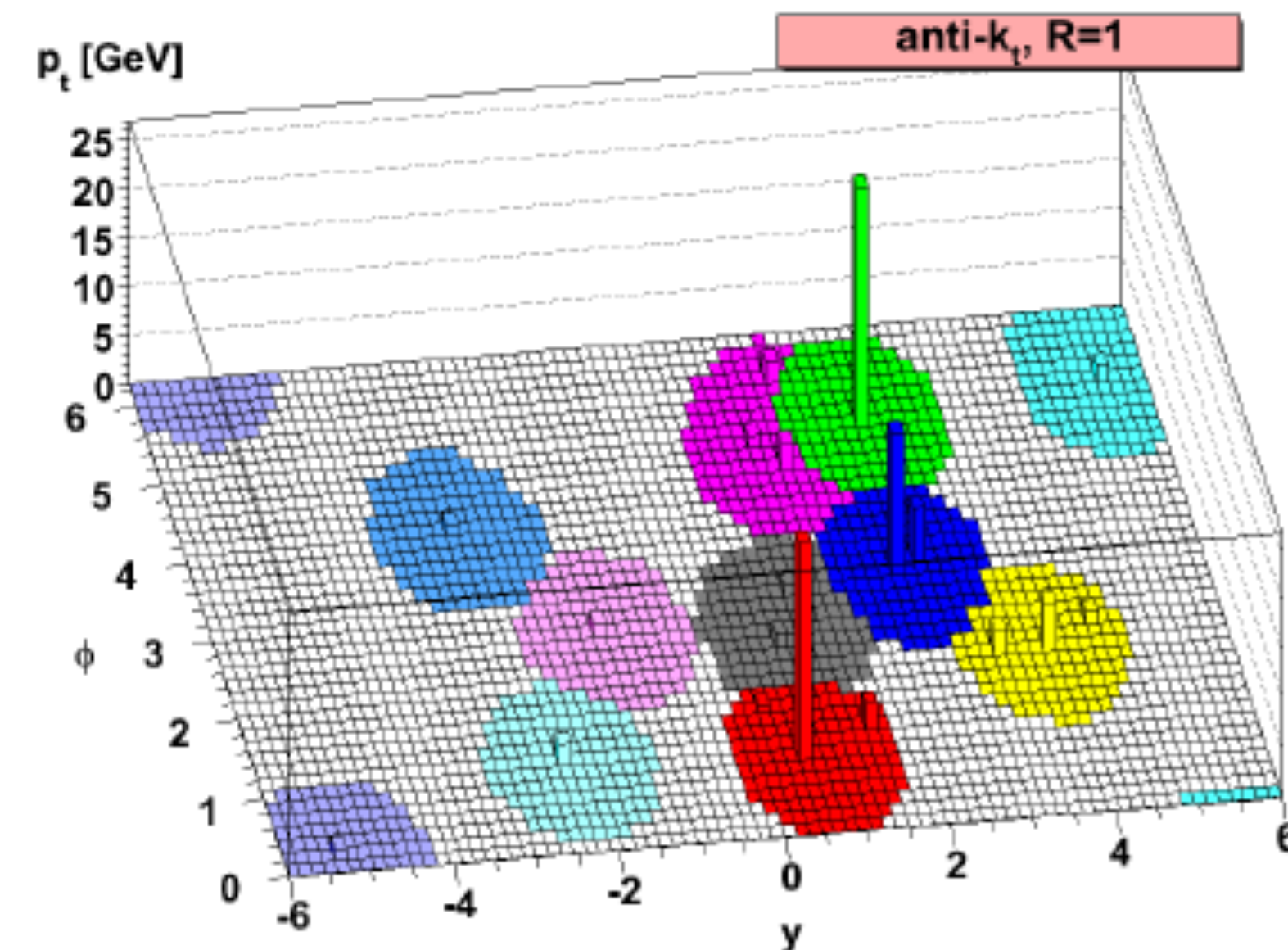
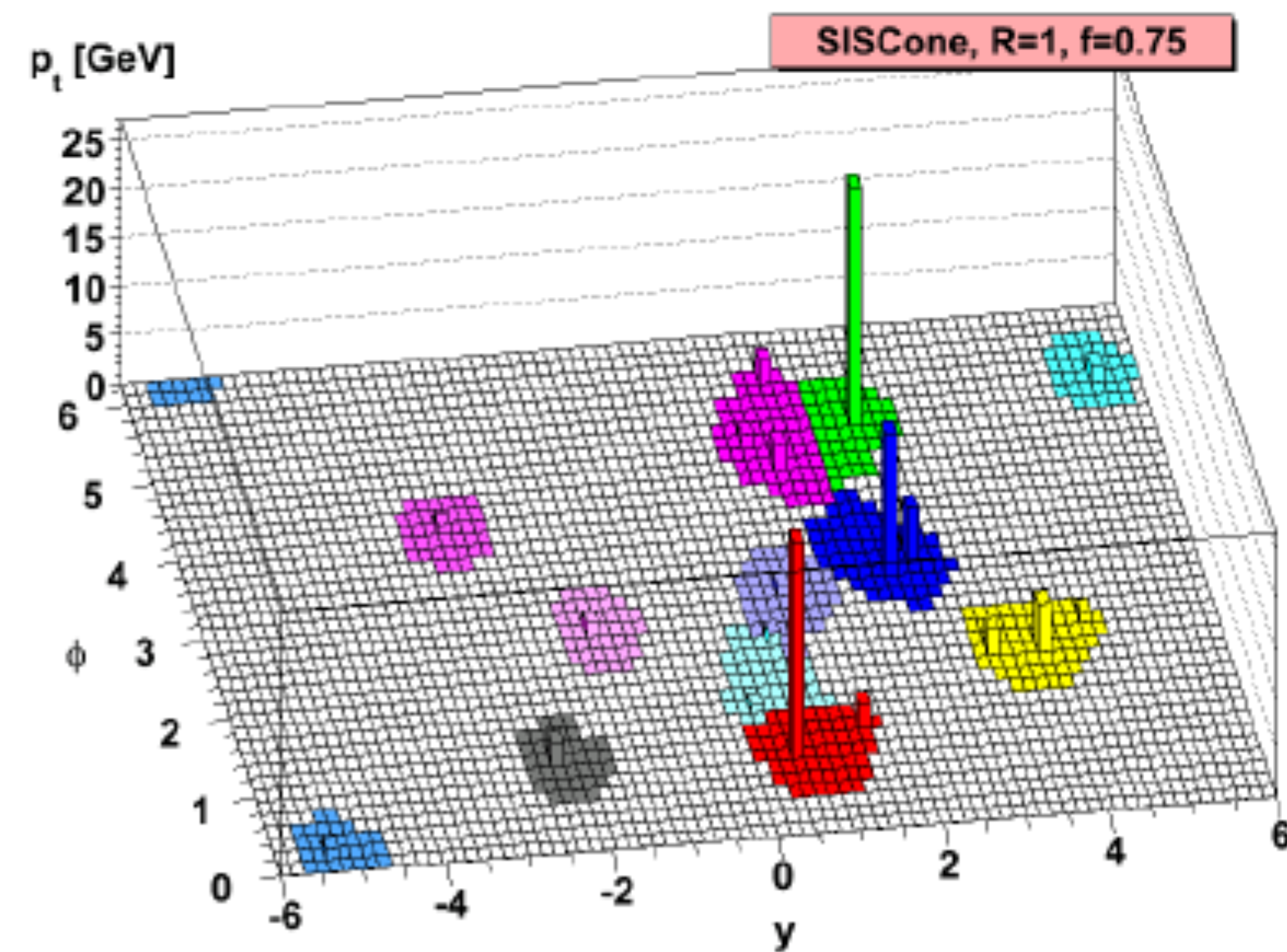
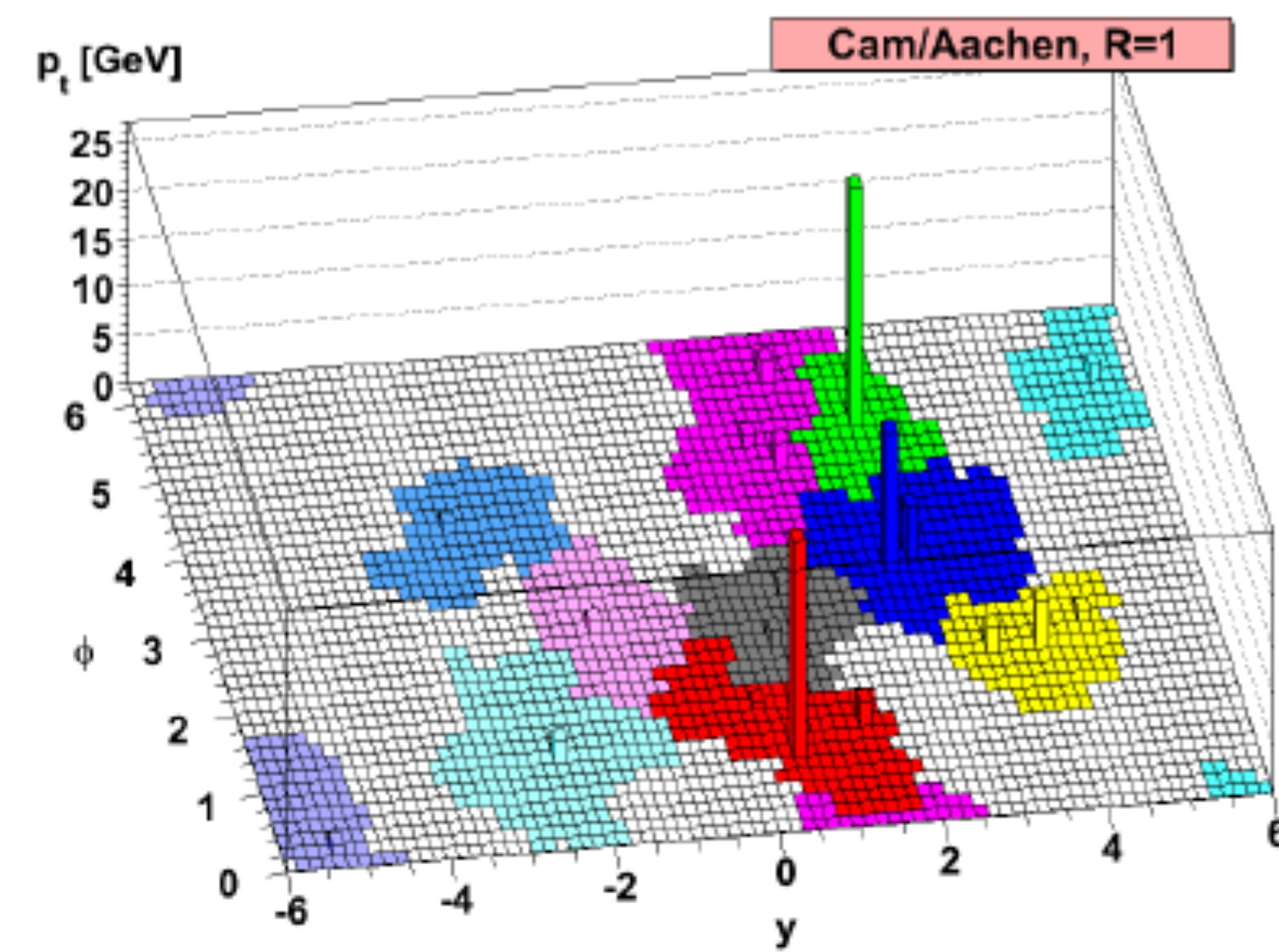
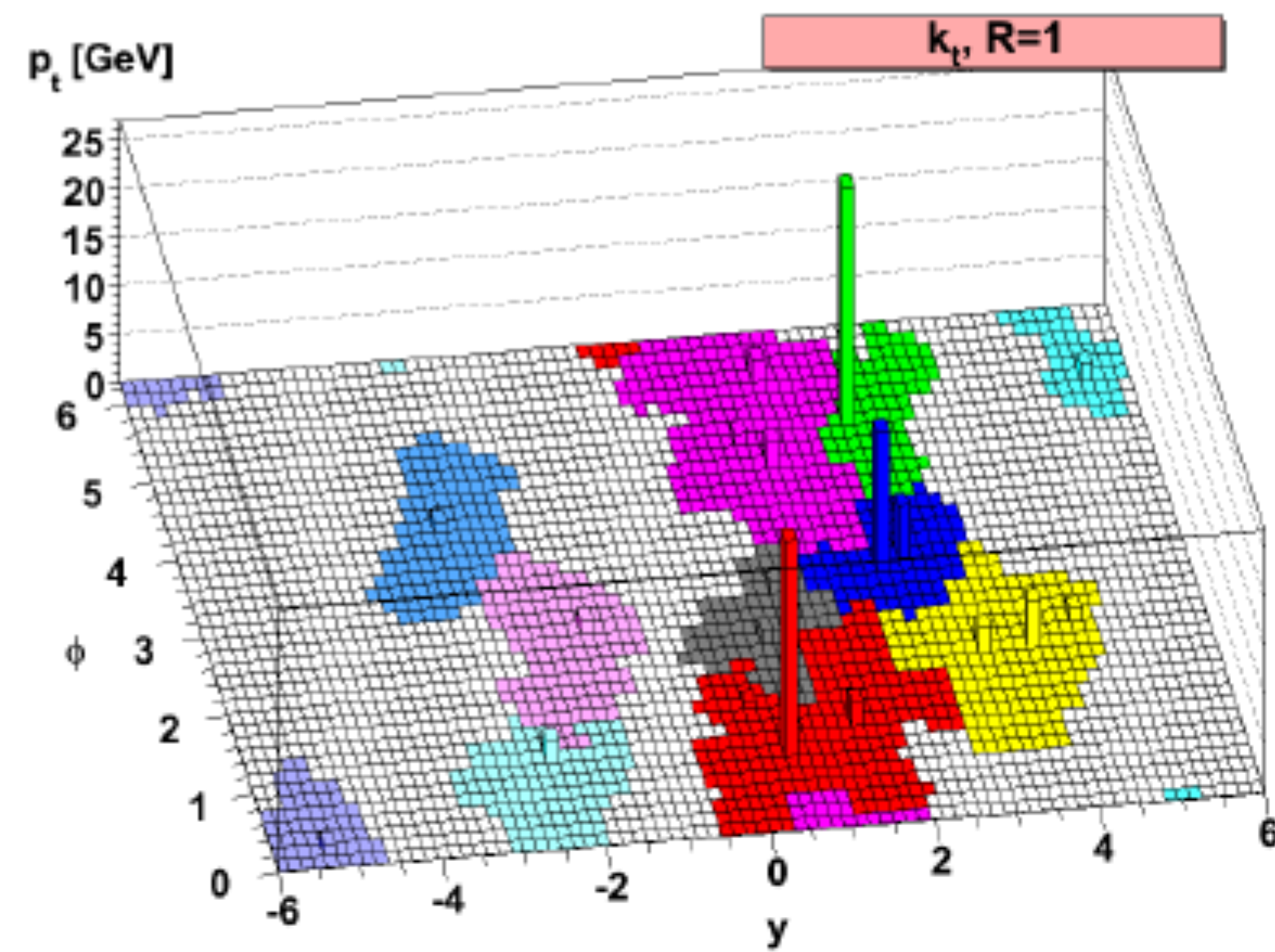
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