

# Event Generators & Parton Showers

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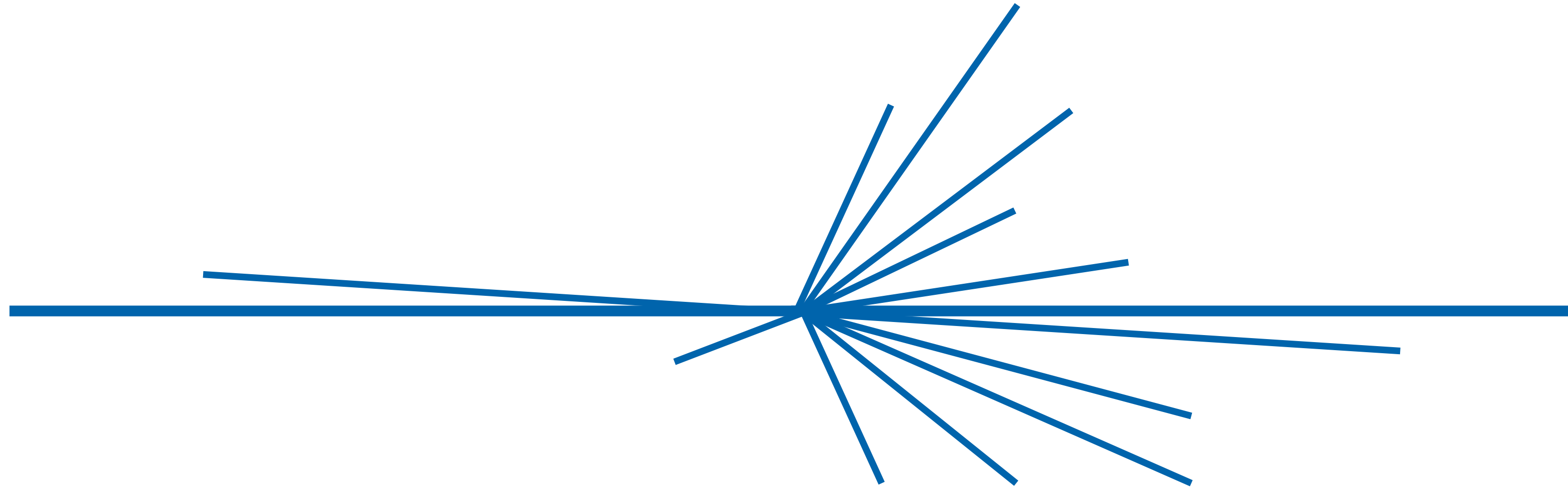
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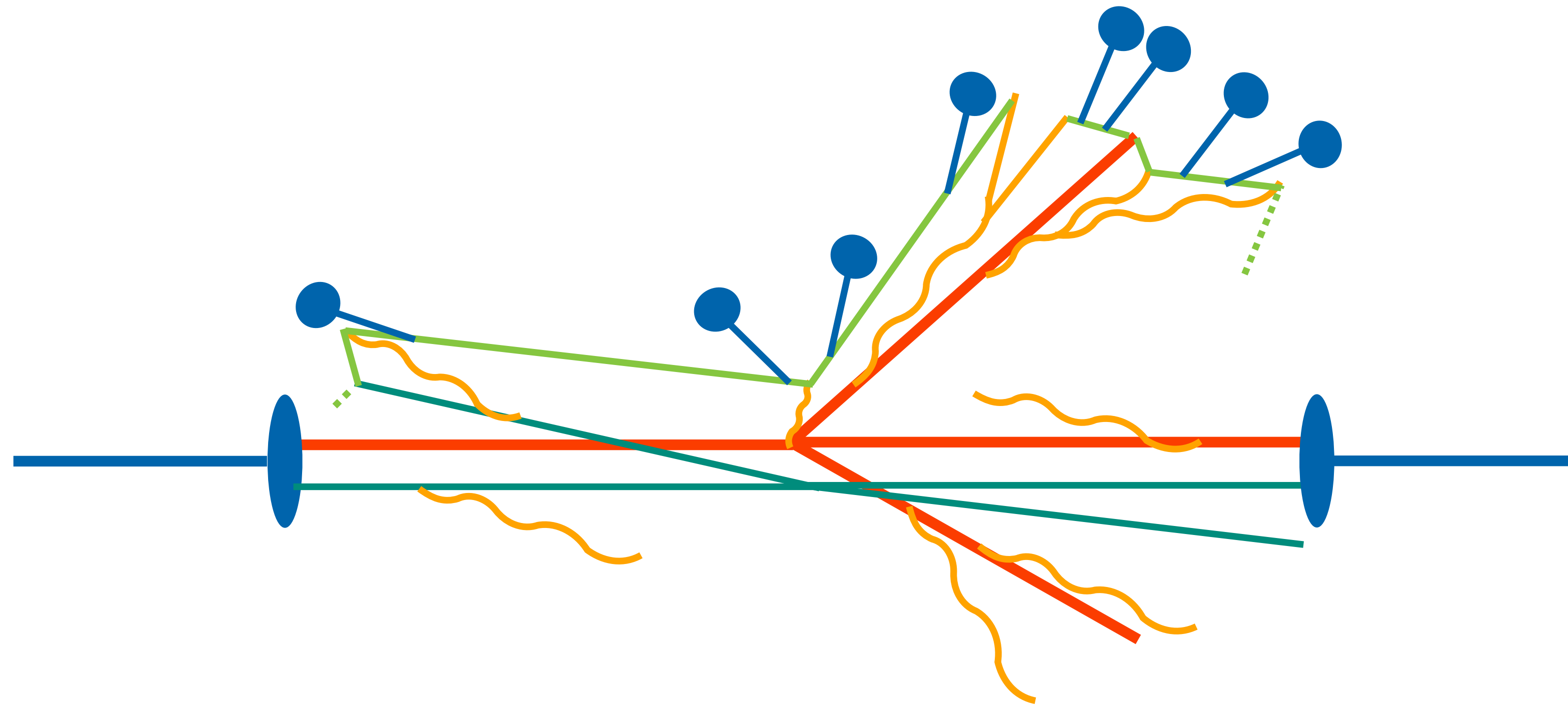
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# Complexity at Colliders

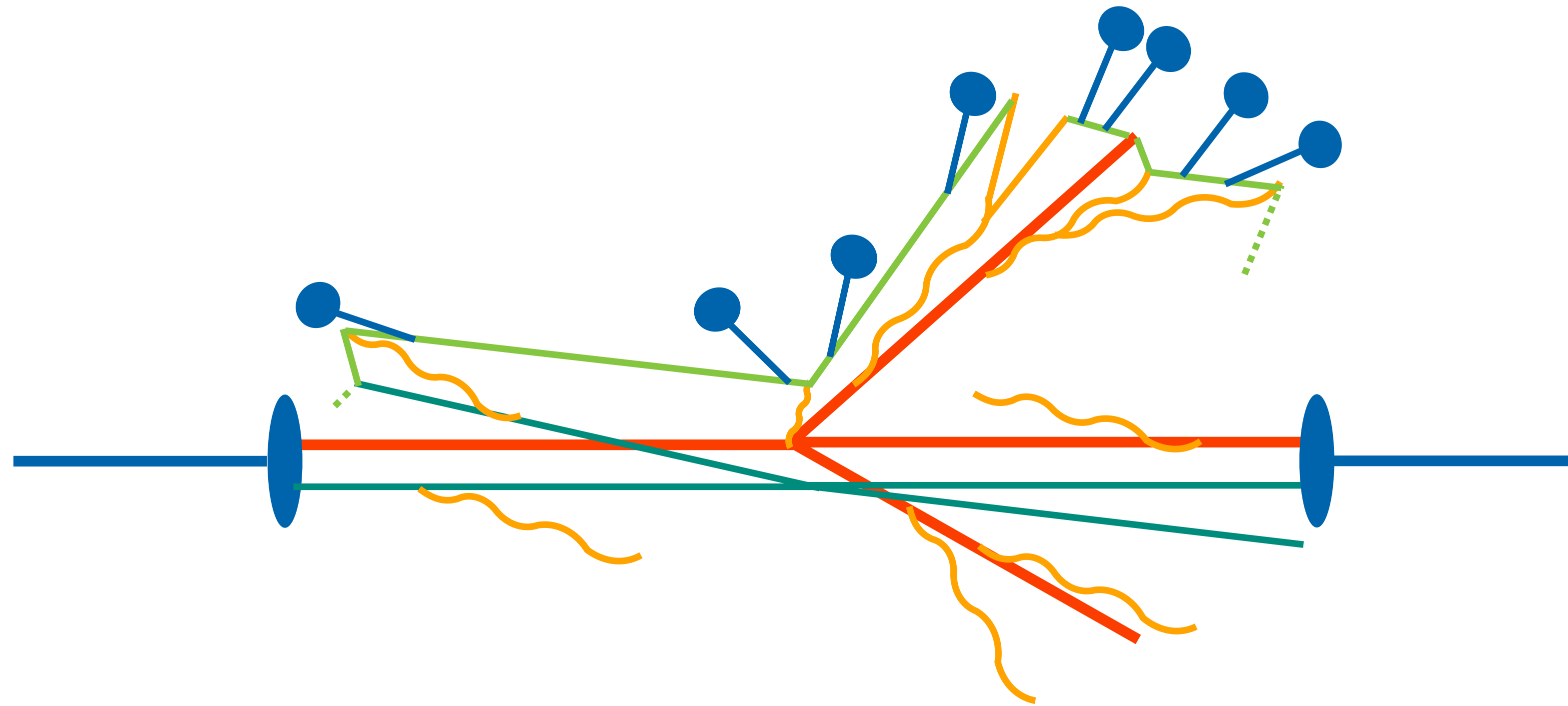


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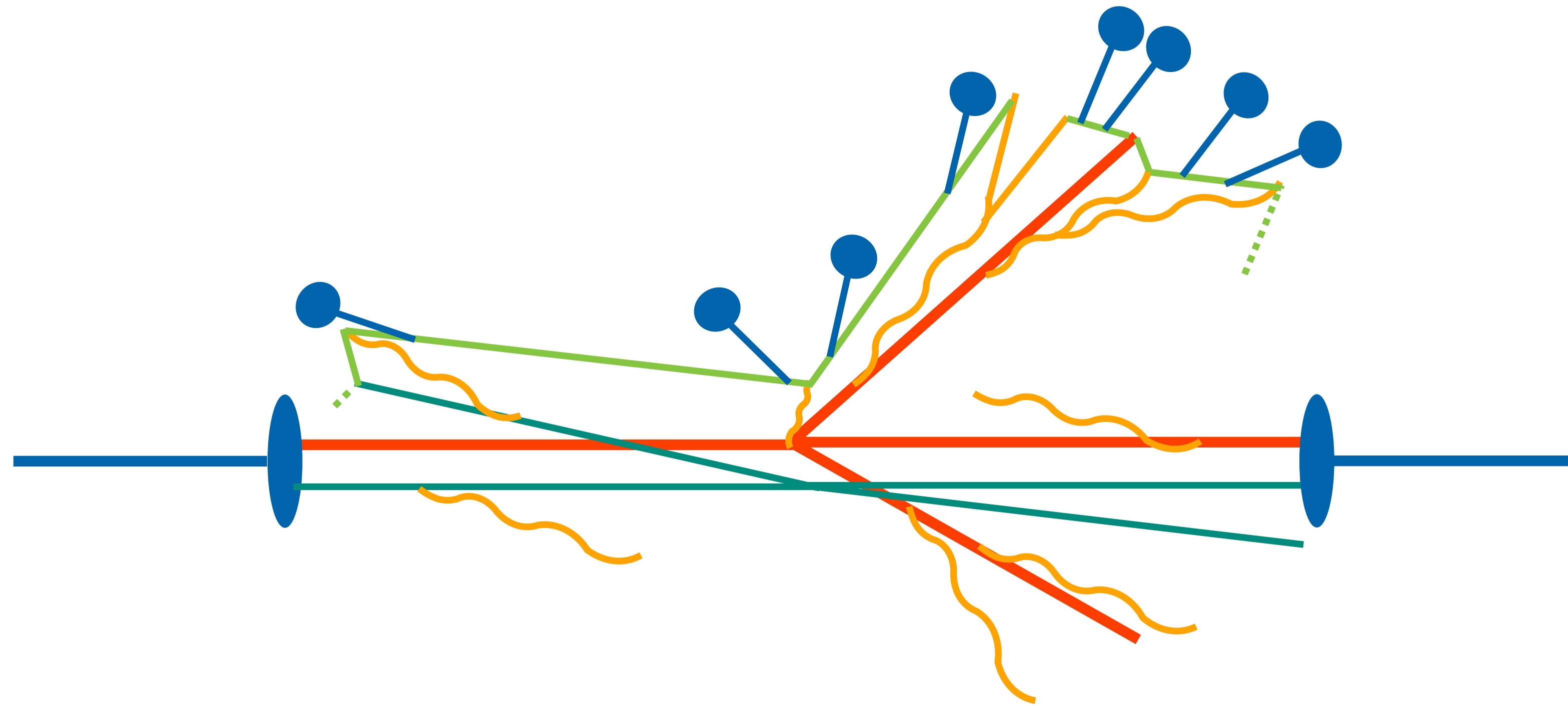
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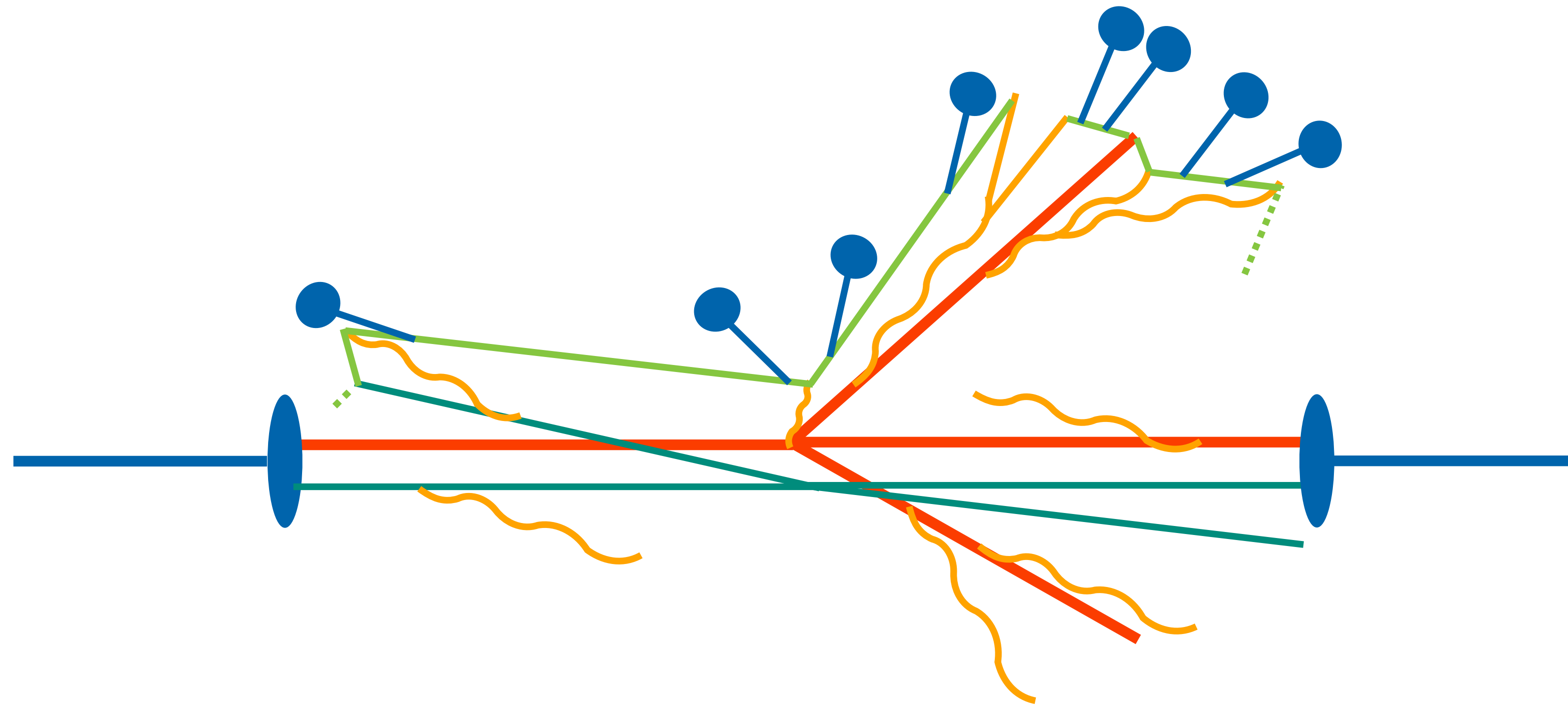
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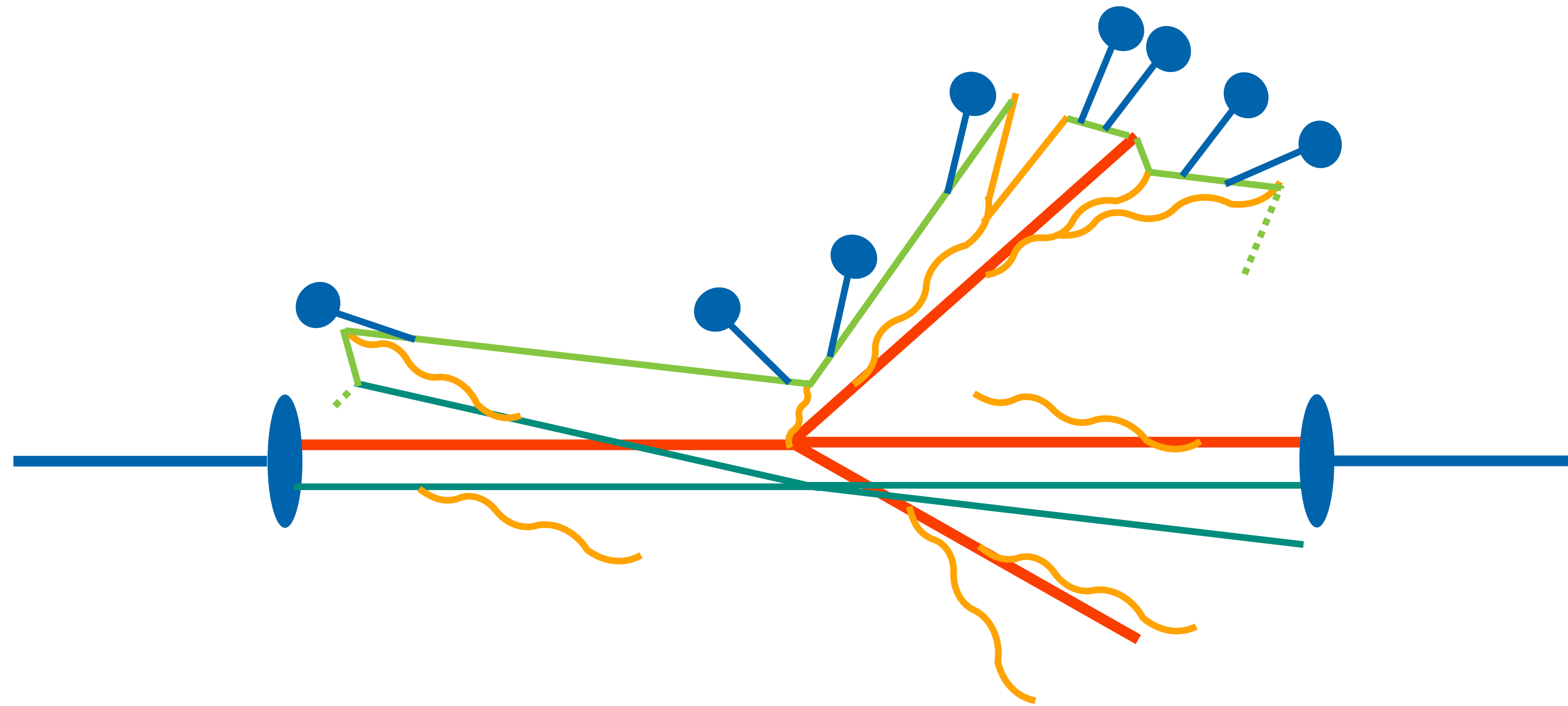
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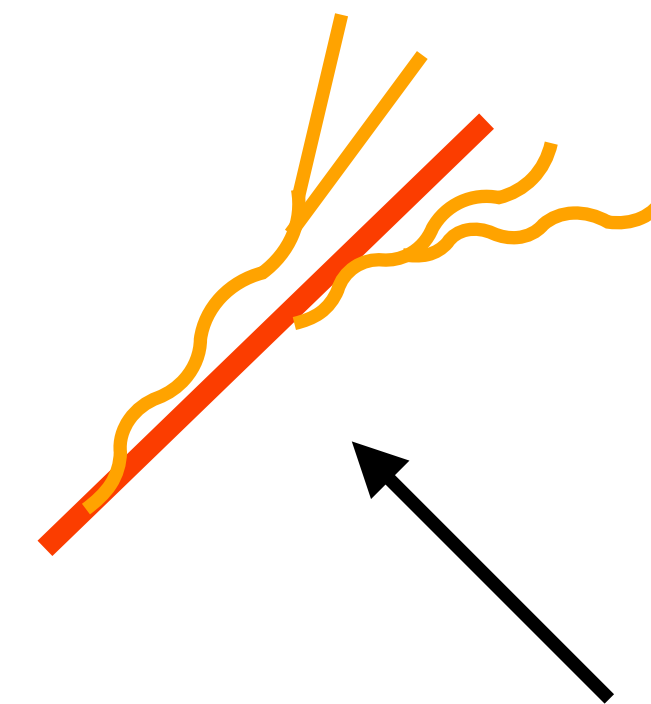
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QCD description of collider reactions:  
Complexity challenges precision.

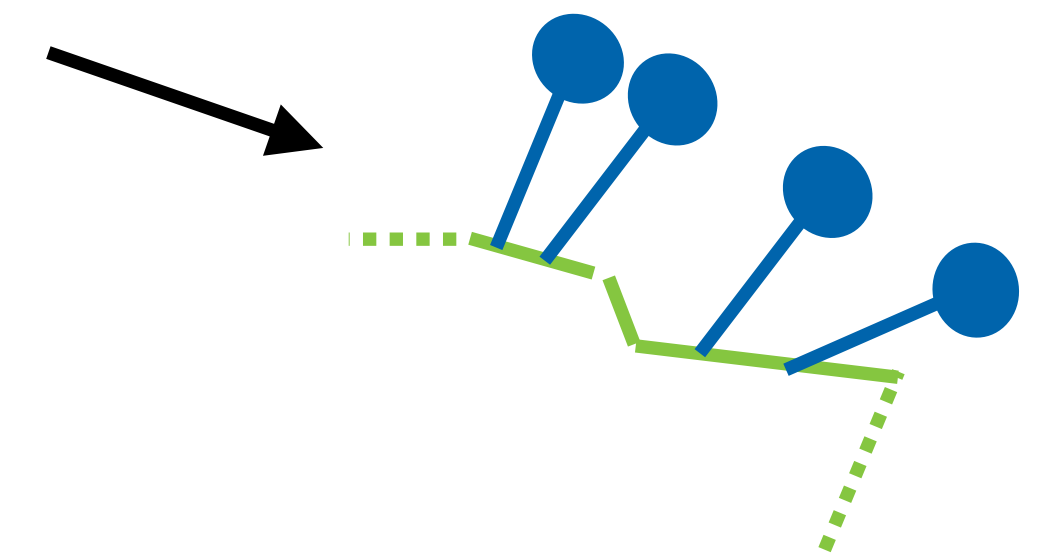
Hard partonic scattering:  
NLO QCD routinely

Jet evolution — parton branching:  
NLL sometimes, mostly unclear

Multi-parton interactions  
Hadronization — the unknown?



This talk, i.e. mostly a focus on FCC-ee



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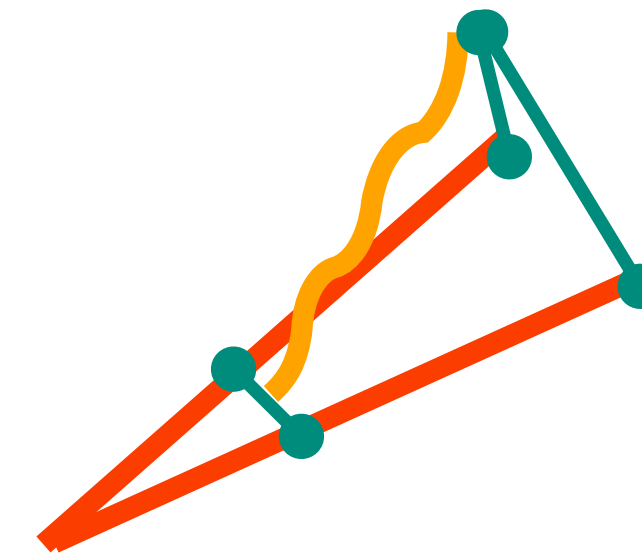
# Shower & Parton Branching Paradigms



Parton branchings  
order in angle.

- Driven by QCD coherence
- Recoil global
- Links to analytic use of coherent branching

## Herwig 7



Dipole branchings order  
in transverse momentum.

- Driven by large-N dipole pattern and colour flows
- Momentum conservation for each emission
- Advantageous for matching & merging

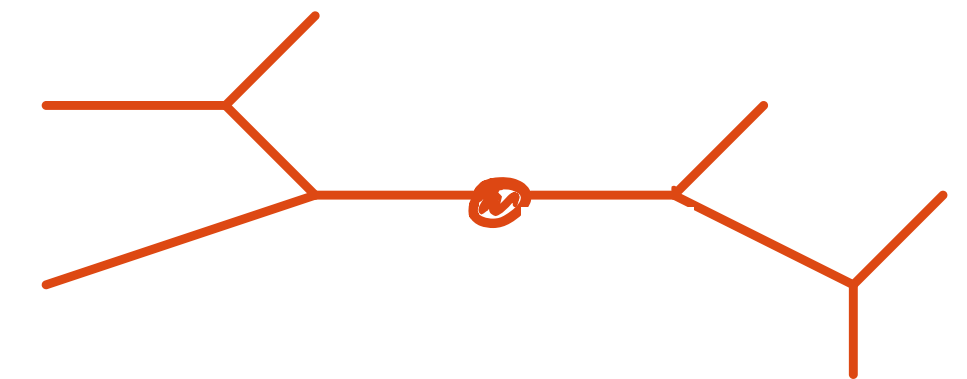
## Herwig 7, Pythia 8, Sherpa, PanScales, Deductor

Sequences of emission scales and momentum fractions as Markov process.  
Restore momentum conservation per emissions or at end of evolution.

$$dS = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \frac{d\tilde{q}_i^2}{\tilde{q}_i^2} dz P(z_i) \exp \left( - \int_{\tilde{q}_i^2}^{Q^2} \frac{dq^2}{q^2} \int_{z_-(k^2)}^{z_+(k^2)} d\xi \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P(z) \right)$$

emission rate

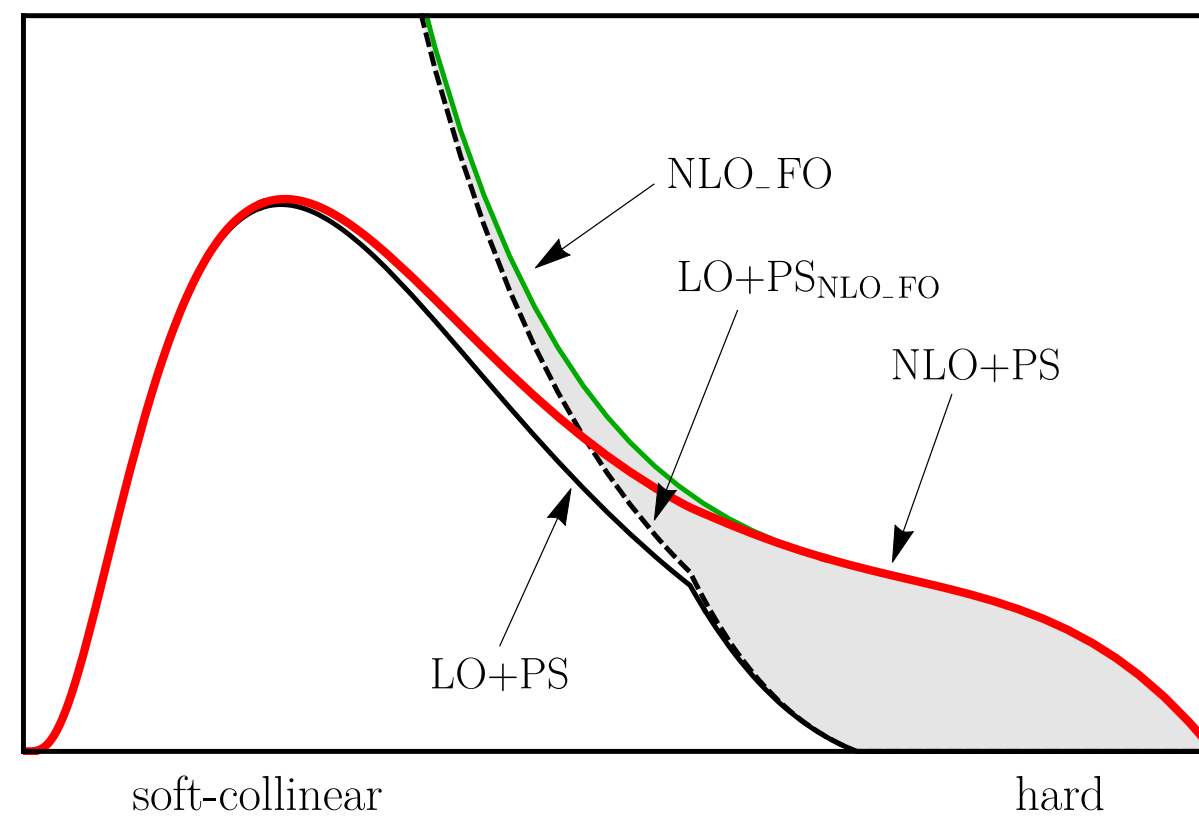
no emission probability



$$\sigma(n \text{ jets}, \tau) \sim \sum_k \sum_{l \leq 2k} c_{nkl} \alpha_s^k(Q) \ln^l \frac{1}{\tau}$$

# Matching & Merging

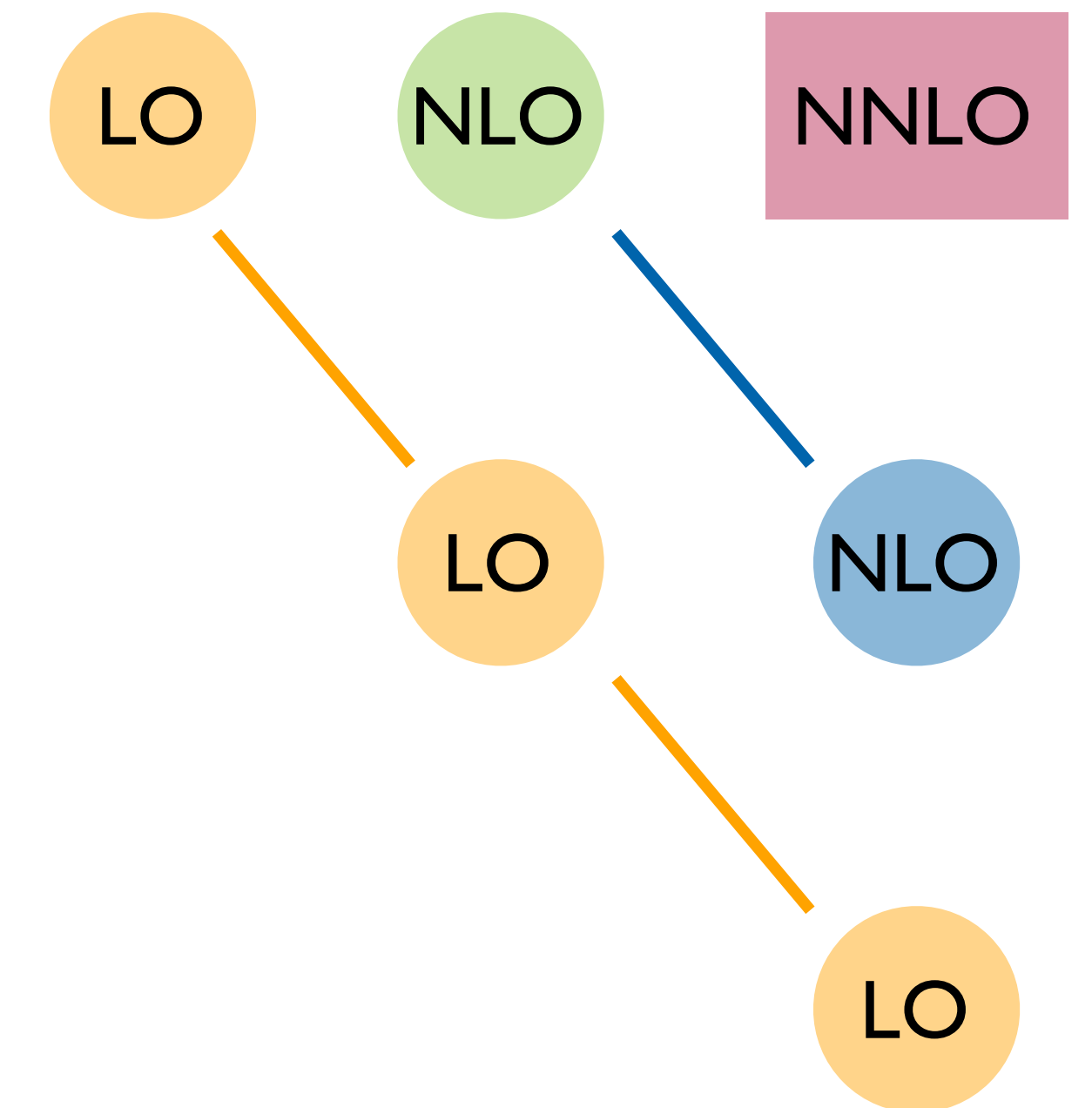
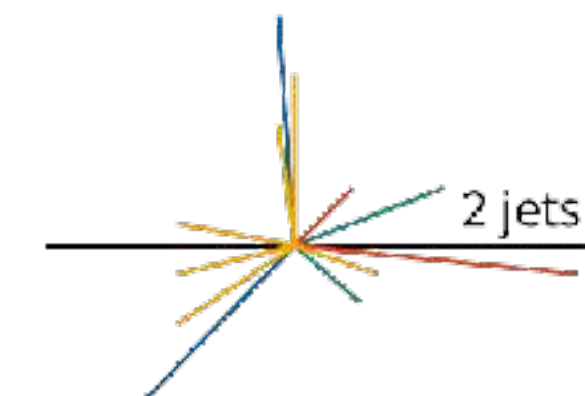
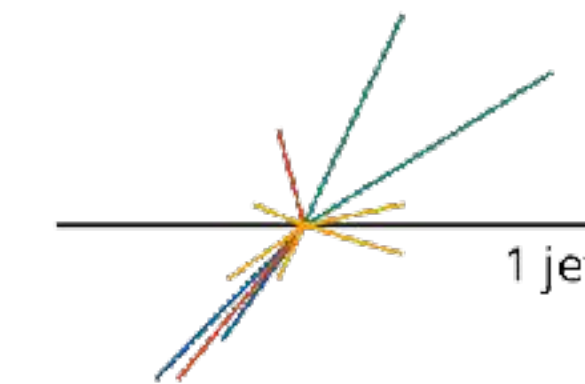
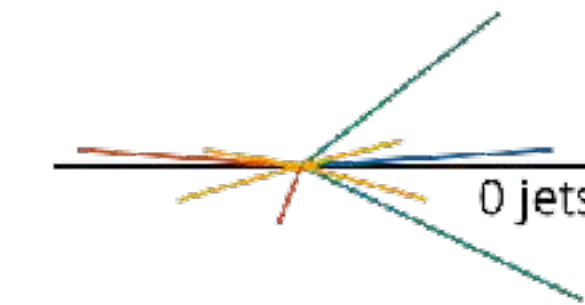
Matching determined by expanding shower to fixed order, and subtracting it from fixed-order cross section.



- De-facto standard in multi-purpose event generators
- Tweaks still possible

[Nason, Salam — JHEP 01 (2022) 067]

**Herwig 7/Matchbox & KrkNLO,  
MG5\_aMC@NLO, PowhegBox, Sherpa**



Unitarized merging algorithms are state of the art.

[Plätzer — JHEP 08 (2013) 114] [Lönblad, Prestel — JHEP 02 (2013) 049]

[Bellm, Gieseke, Plätzer — EPJ C78 (2018) 244]

Allow for combination with higher orders

e.g. [Prestel — JHEP 11 (2021) 041]

Matching at NNLO explored, but requires better showers.

[Campbell, Höche, Li, Preuss, Skands — arXiv:2108.07133]

Merging & matching  
NLO merging  
Matching at NNLO?

# LHC-age Working Horses



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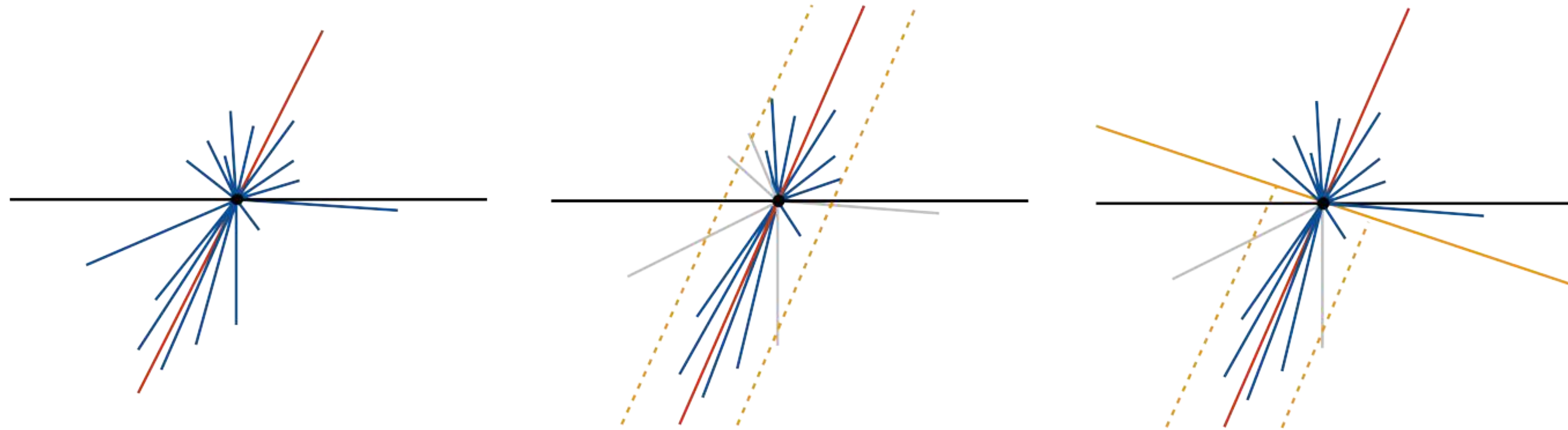
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**General purpose — ready for FCC-xx**

# Accuracy of Parton Showers



Global event shapes from coherent branching

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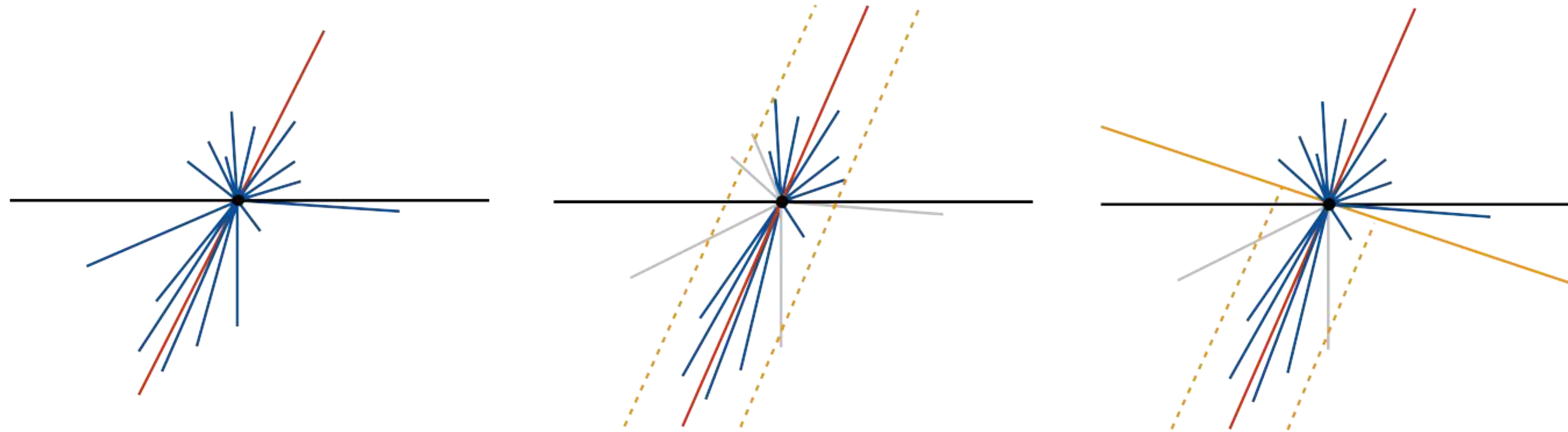
LL — qualitative

NLL — quantitative

NNLL — precision

$$\alpha_s L \sim 1$$

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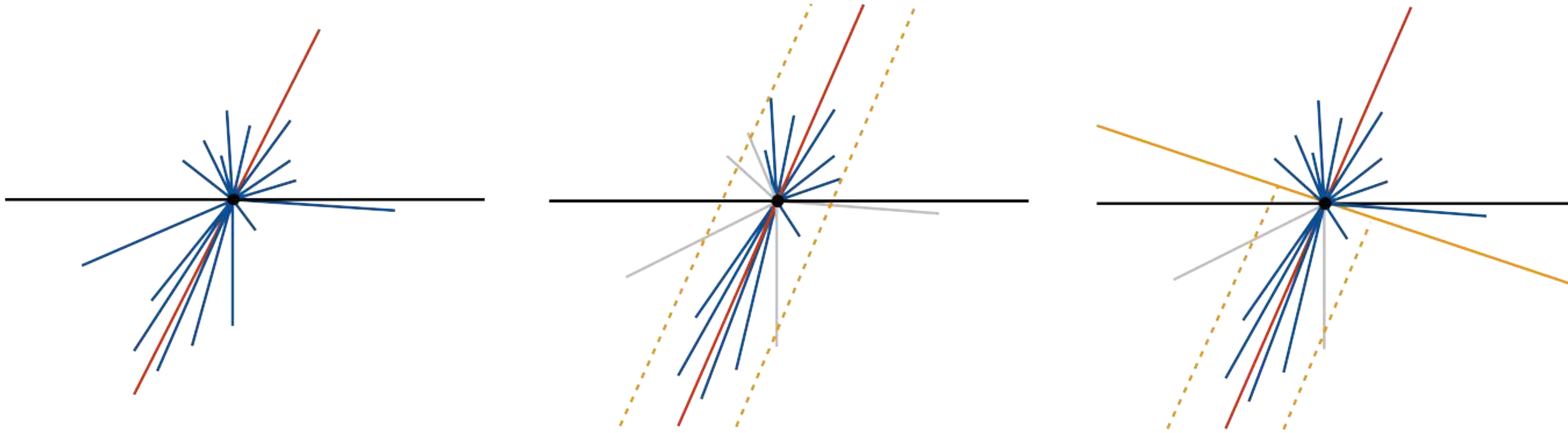
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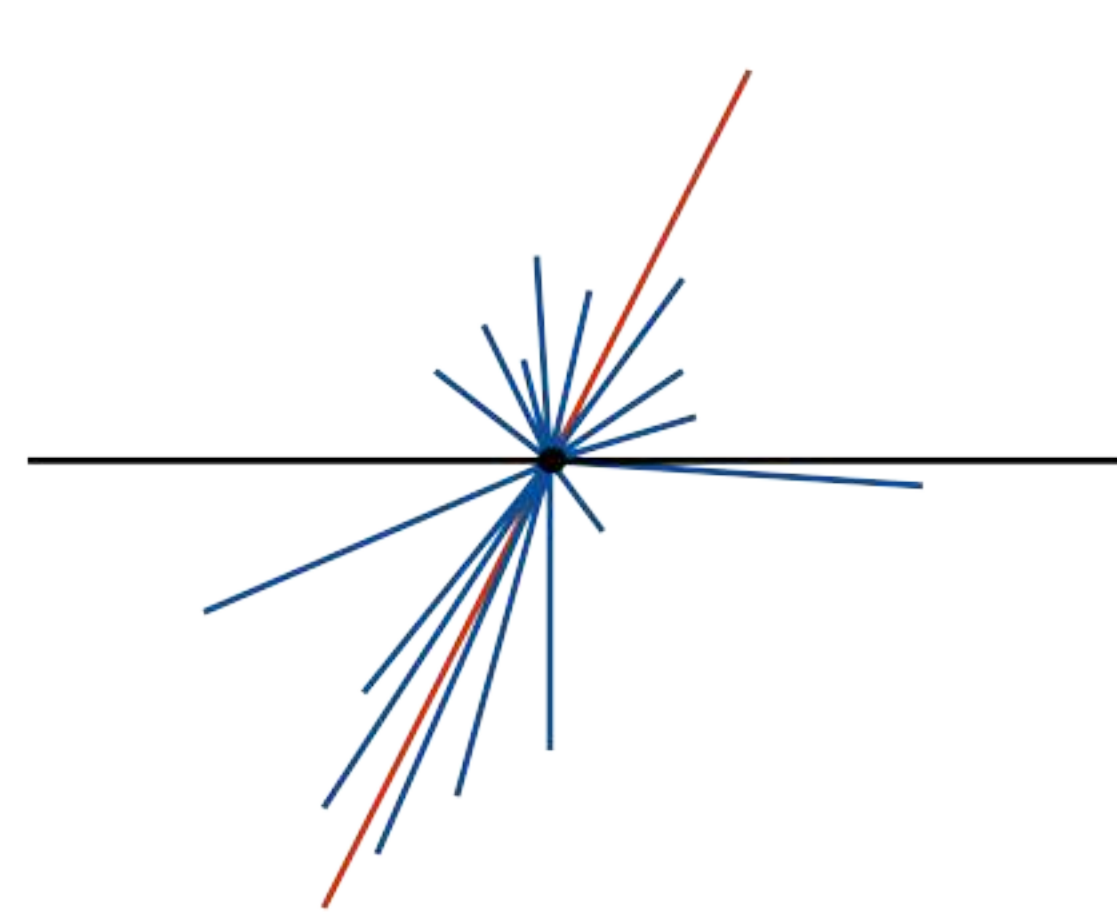
Non-global observables in the large-N limit  
from dipole branching

$$\frac{\partial G_{ab}(t)}{\partial t} = - \int_{\text{in}} \frac{d\Omega_k}{4\pi} \omega_{ab}(k) G_{ab}(t) + \int_{\text{out}} \frac{d\Omega_k}{4\pi} \omega_{ab}(k) [G_{ak}(t)G_{kb}(t) - G_{ab}(t)]$$

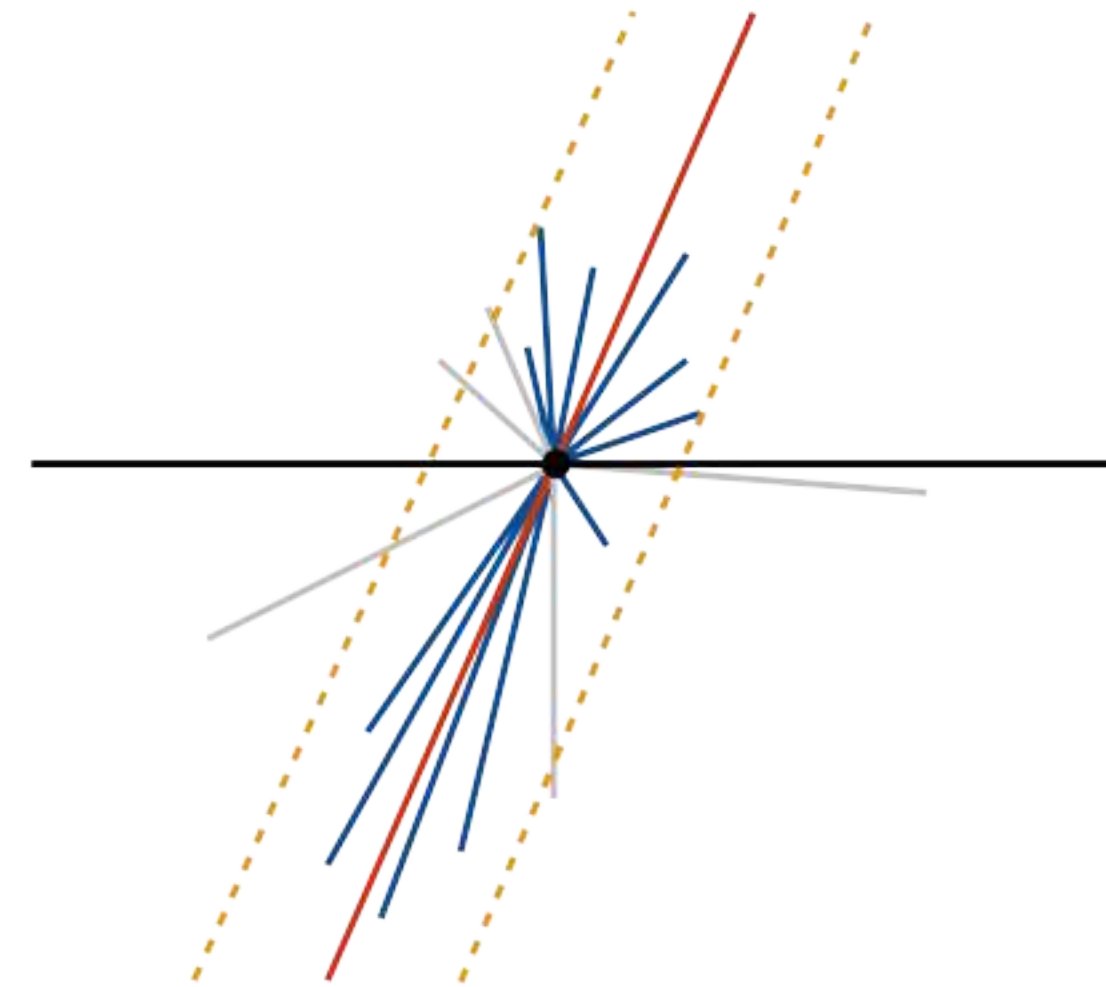
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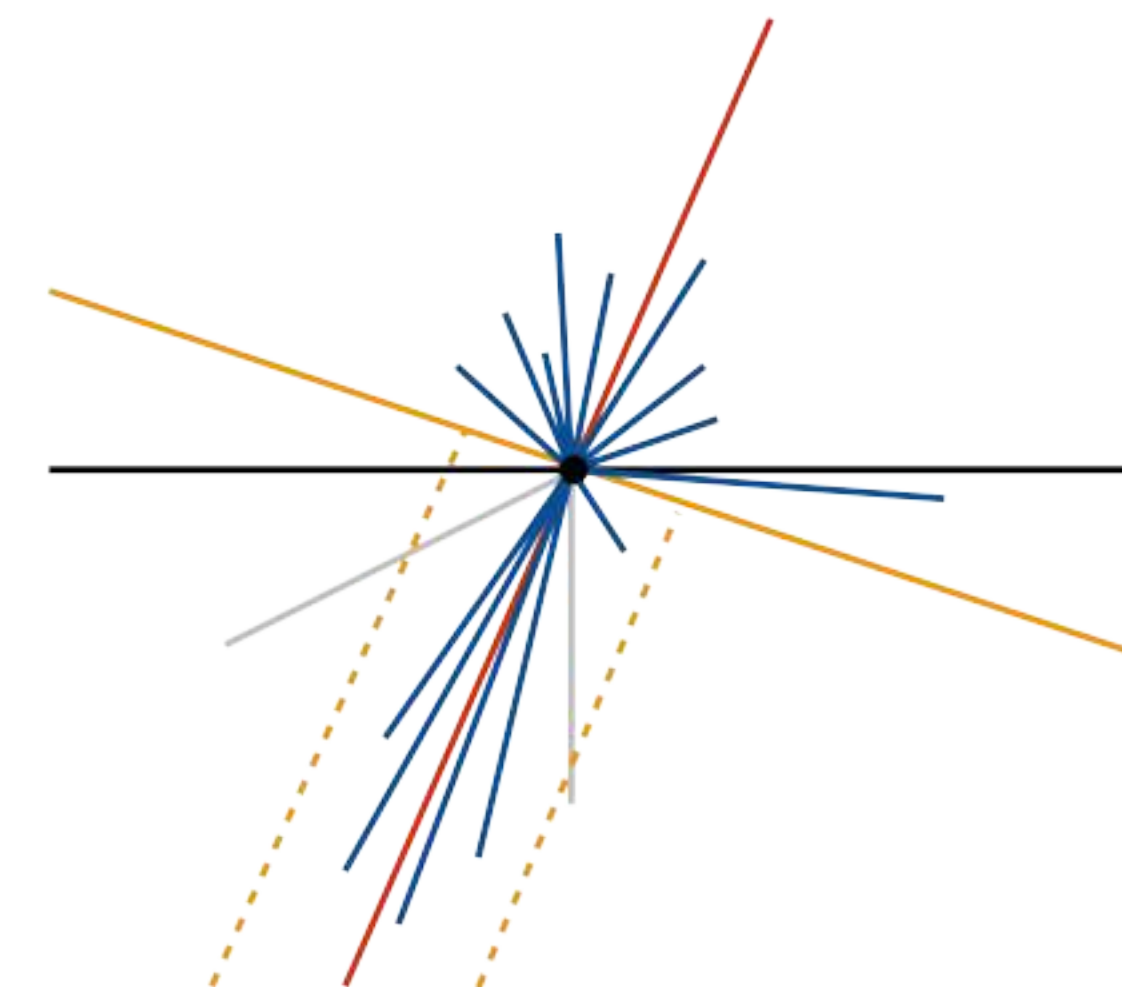
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NLO with matching



NLL with coherent branching  
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LL with dipole showers

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Partition of soft radiation

Recoil

[Dasgupta, Dreyer, Hamilton, Monni, Salam — PRL 125 (2020) 5]  
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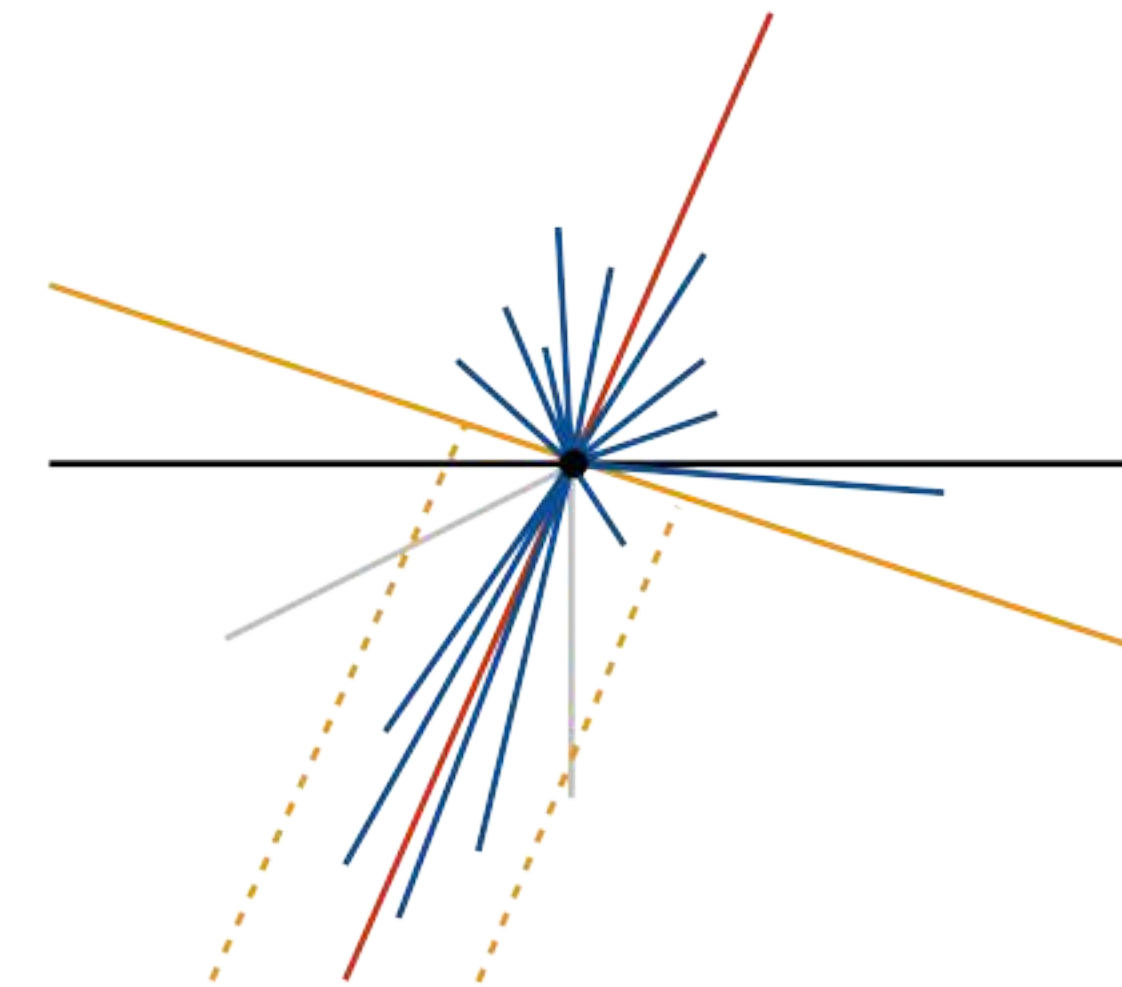
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Another issue is the large-N limit:  $\alpha_s N^2 \sim 1$

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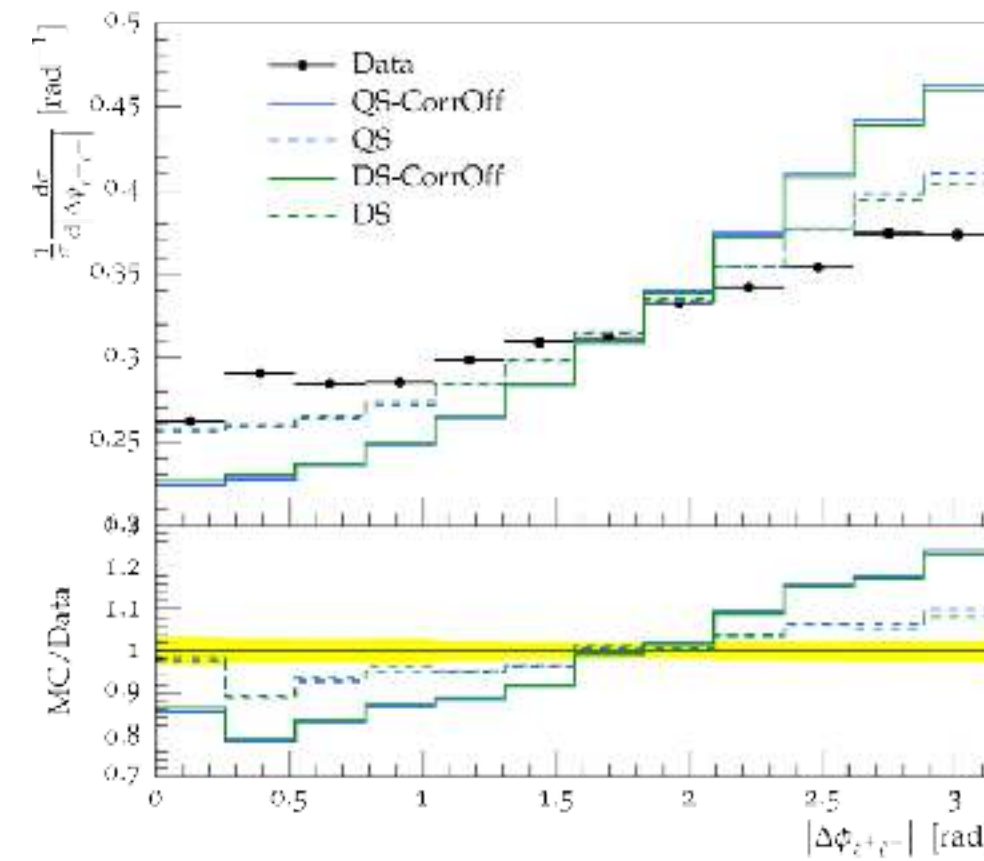
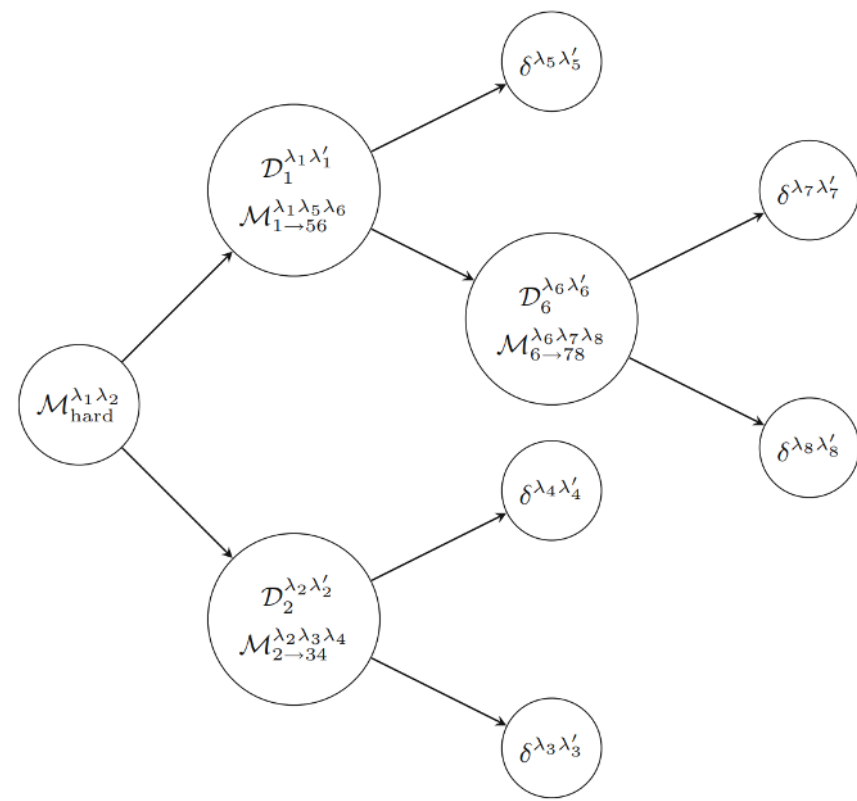
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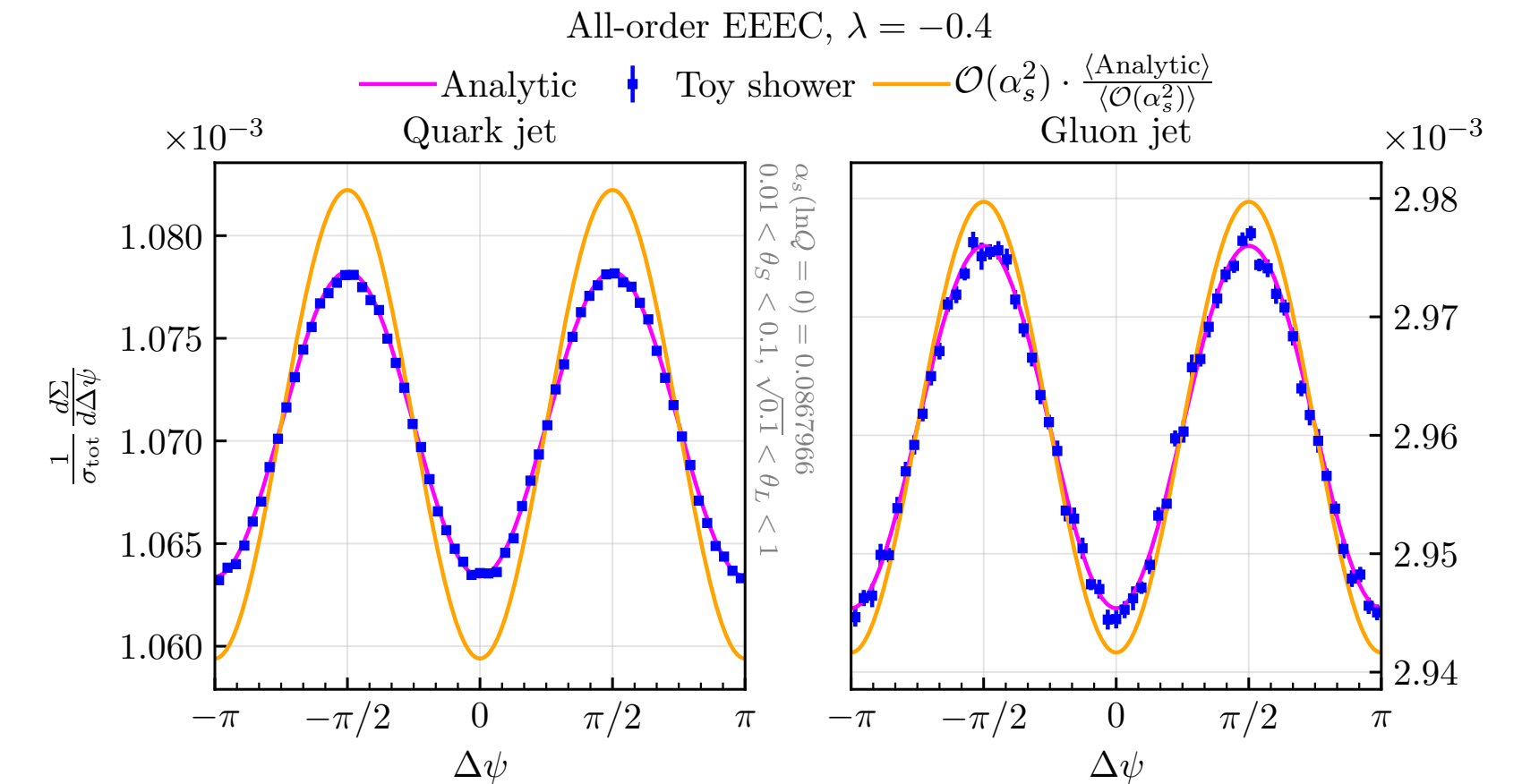
NLL

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## Spin correlations building on Collins-Knowles algorithm



[Webster, Richardson - Eur.Phys.J.C 80 (2020) 2]

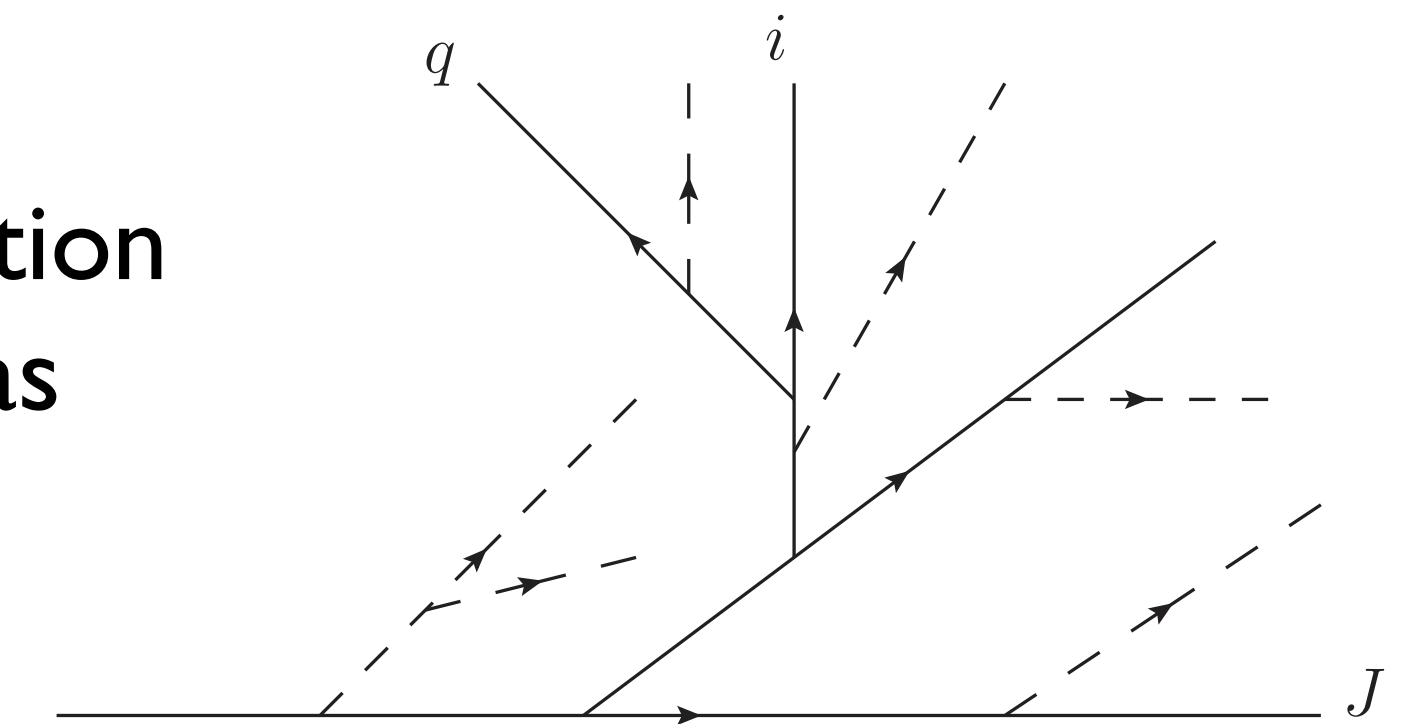


[Karlberg, Salam, Scyboz, Verheyen — Eur.Phys.J.C 81 (2021) 8, 681]

## Dynamic colour factors in dipole showers

$$C_{iJ}(\theta_{iq}, \theta_{LJ}) = \left( C_F \delta_i^{(q)} + \frac{C_A}{2} \delta_i^{(g)} \right) \theta(\theta_{iq} < \theta_{LJ}) + \left( \frac{C_A}{2} \delta_J^{(g)} + C_F \delta_J^{(q)} \right) \theta(\theta_{iq} > \theta_{LJ})$$

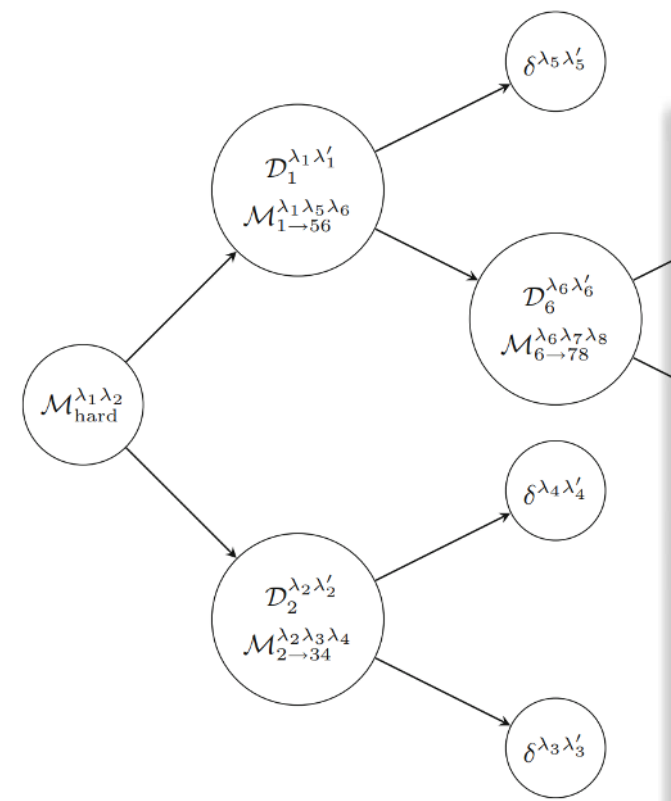
Track angular extent of evolution to reproduce colour factors as dictated by coherence.



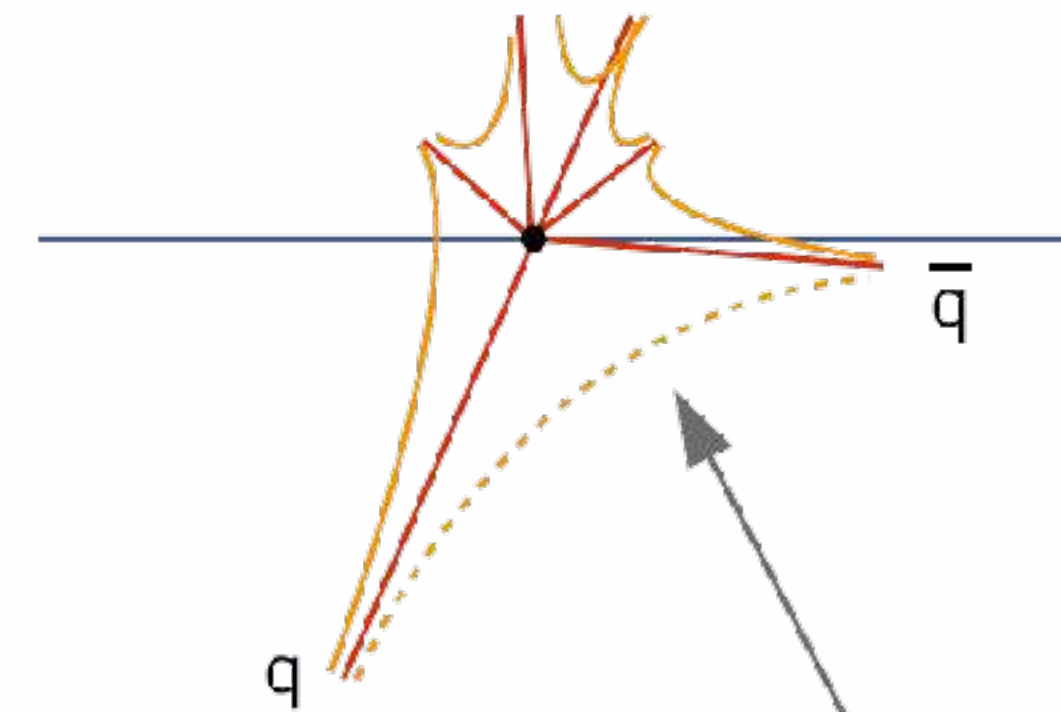
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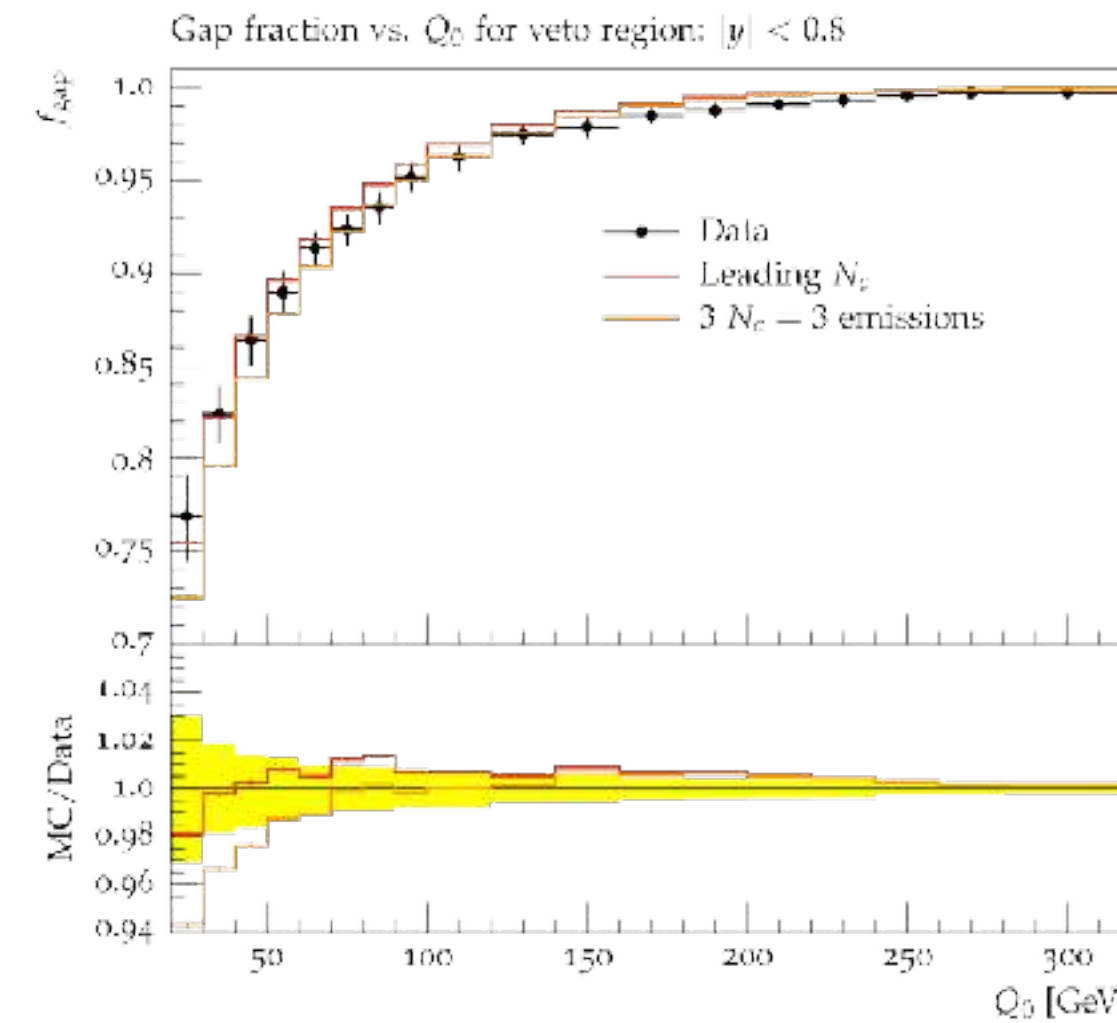
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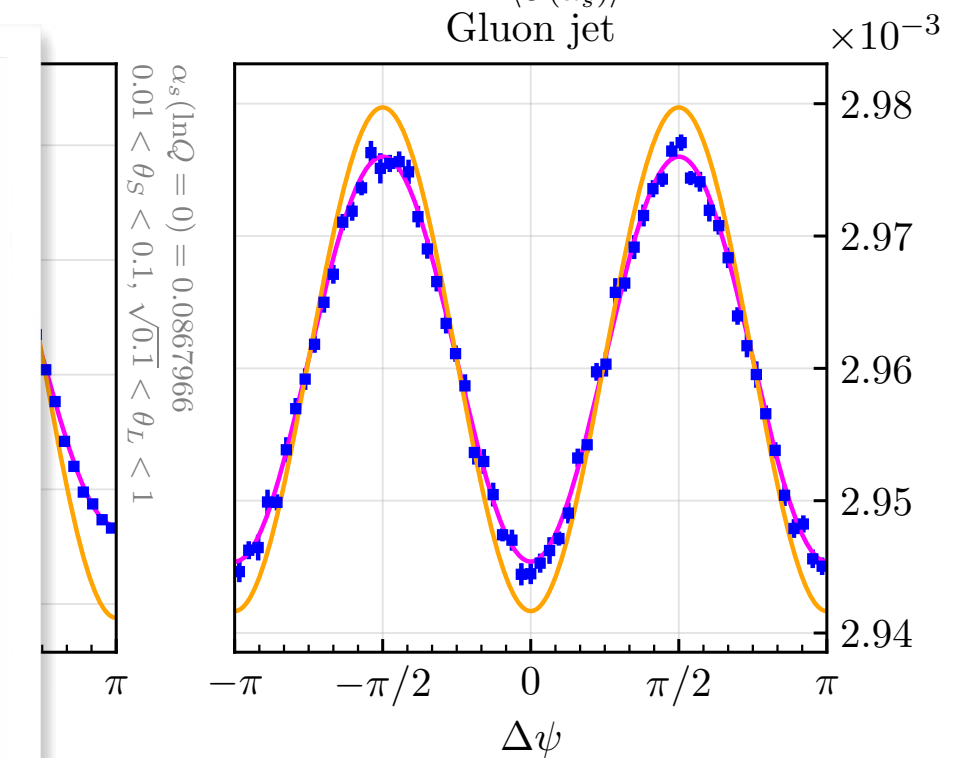
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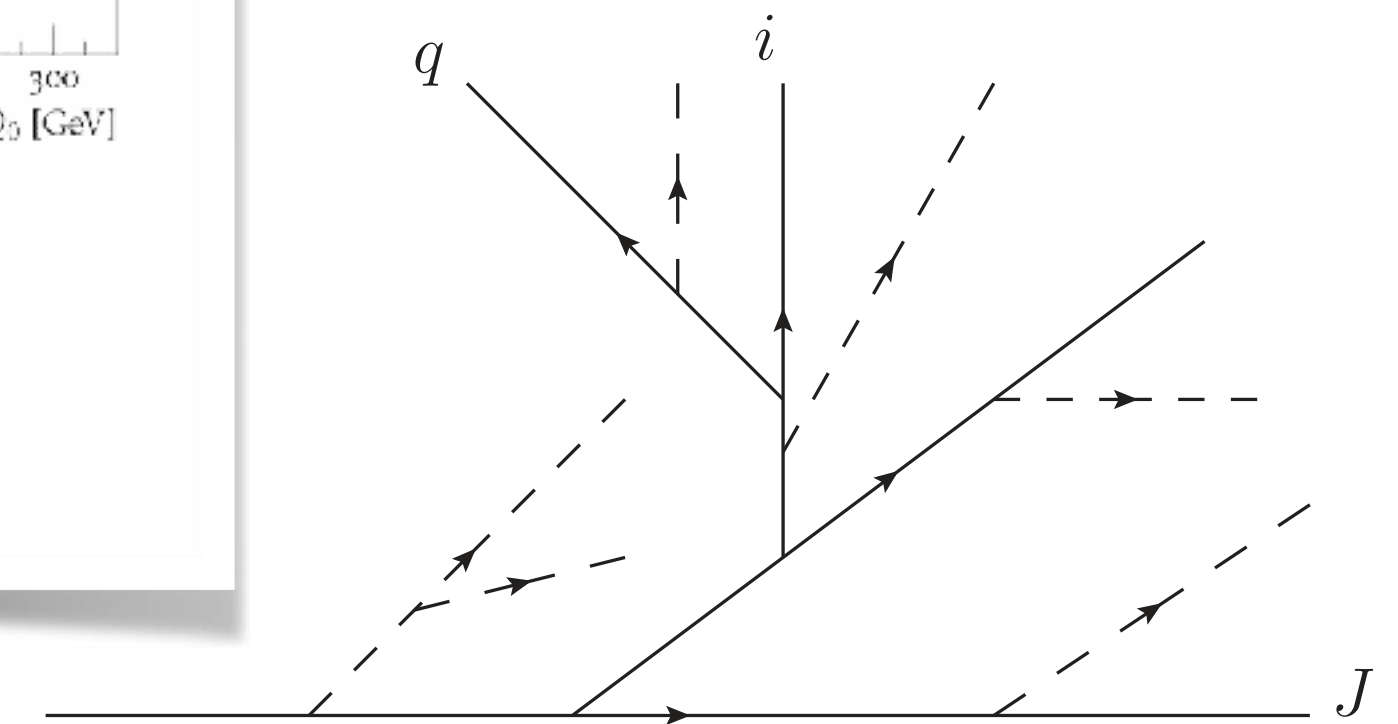
Some subleading-N corrections can be restored.



All-order EEEEC,  $\lambda = -0.4$   
 Analytic Toy shower  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2) \cdot \frac{\langle \text{Analytic} \rangle}{\langle \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2) \rangle}$   
 Gluon jet



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Dynamic colour f

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- [Höche, Reichelt — Phys.Rev.D 104 (2021) 3, 034006]

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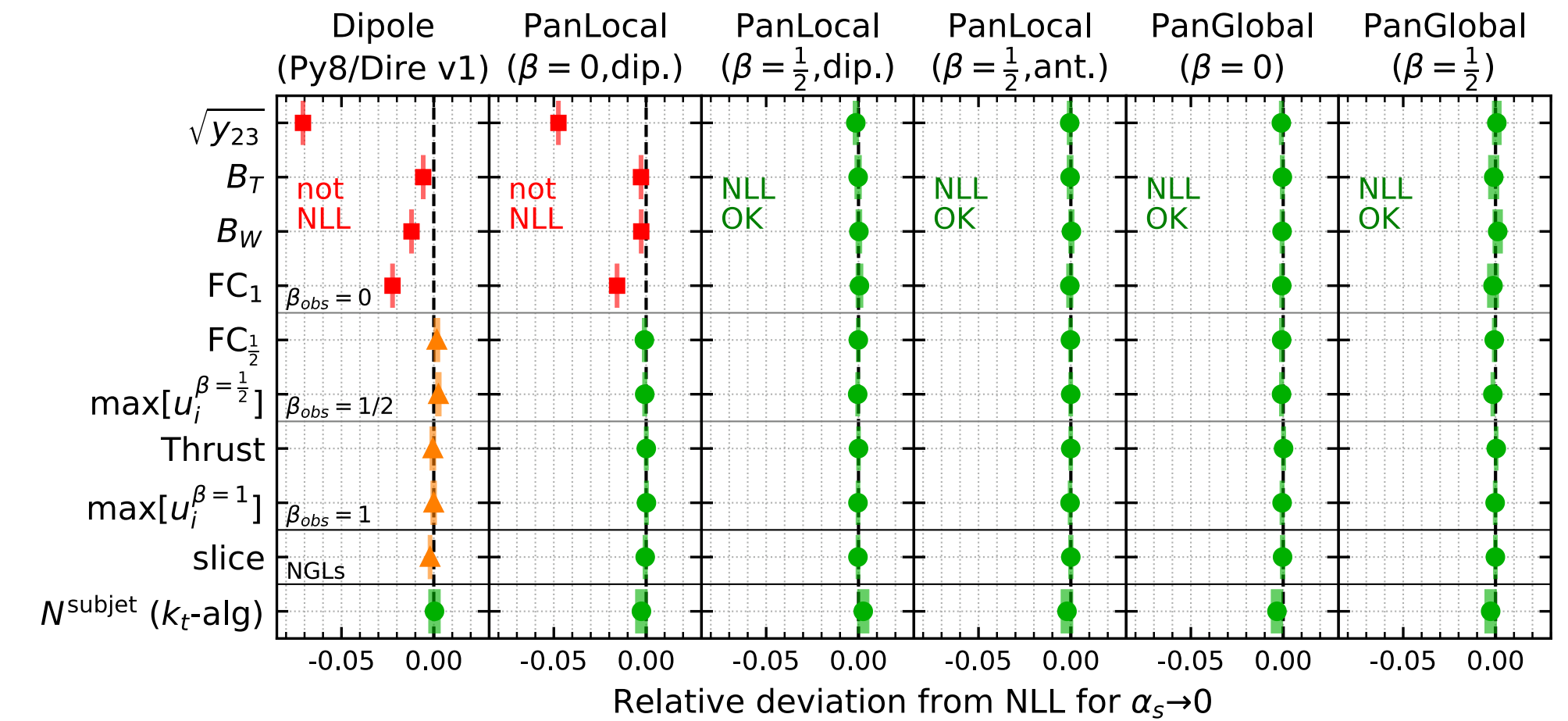
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[aim at improving Herwig 7 dipole shower]

Based on  
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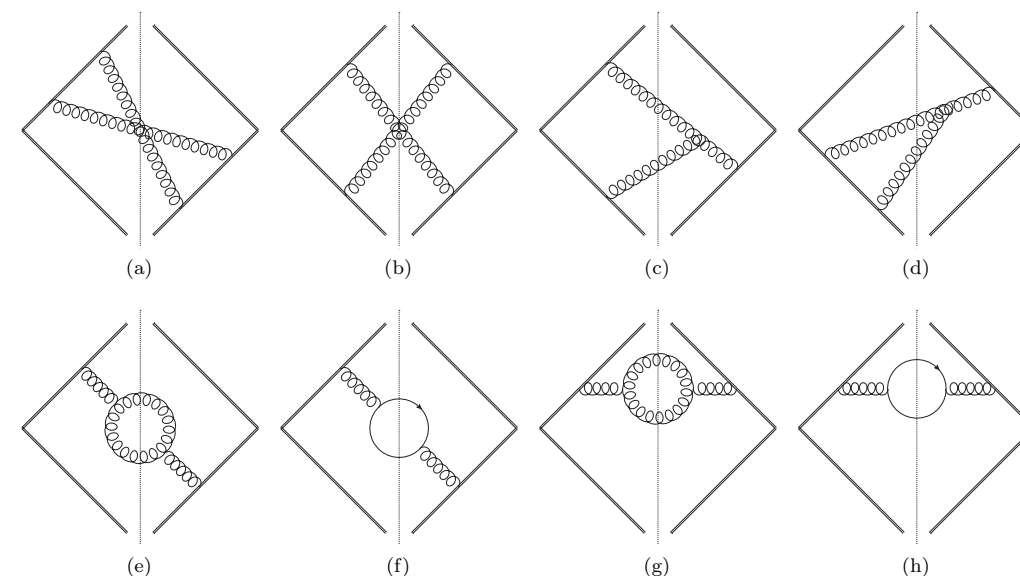
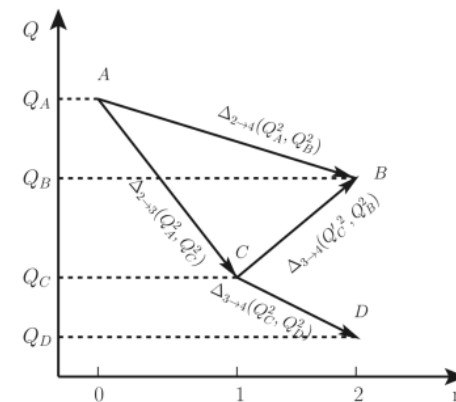
[PanScales]



## Provide higher order building blocks beyond single emissions

Towards second-order showers: unordered contributions

- sector showers allow to include direct  $2 \rightarrow 4$  branchings in a simple way
- divide phase space into **strongly-ordered** and **unordered** region
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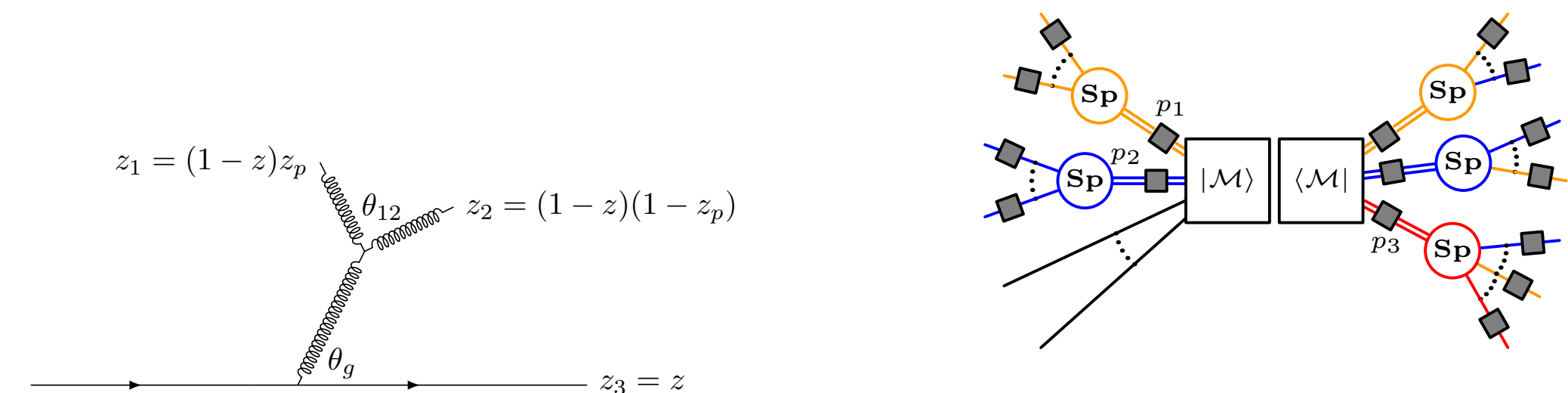


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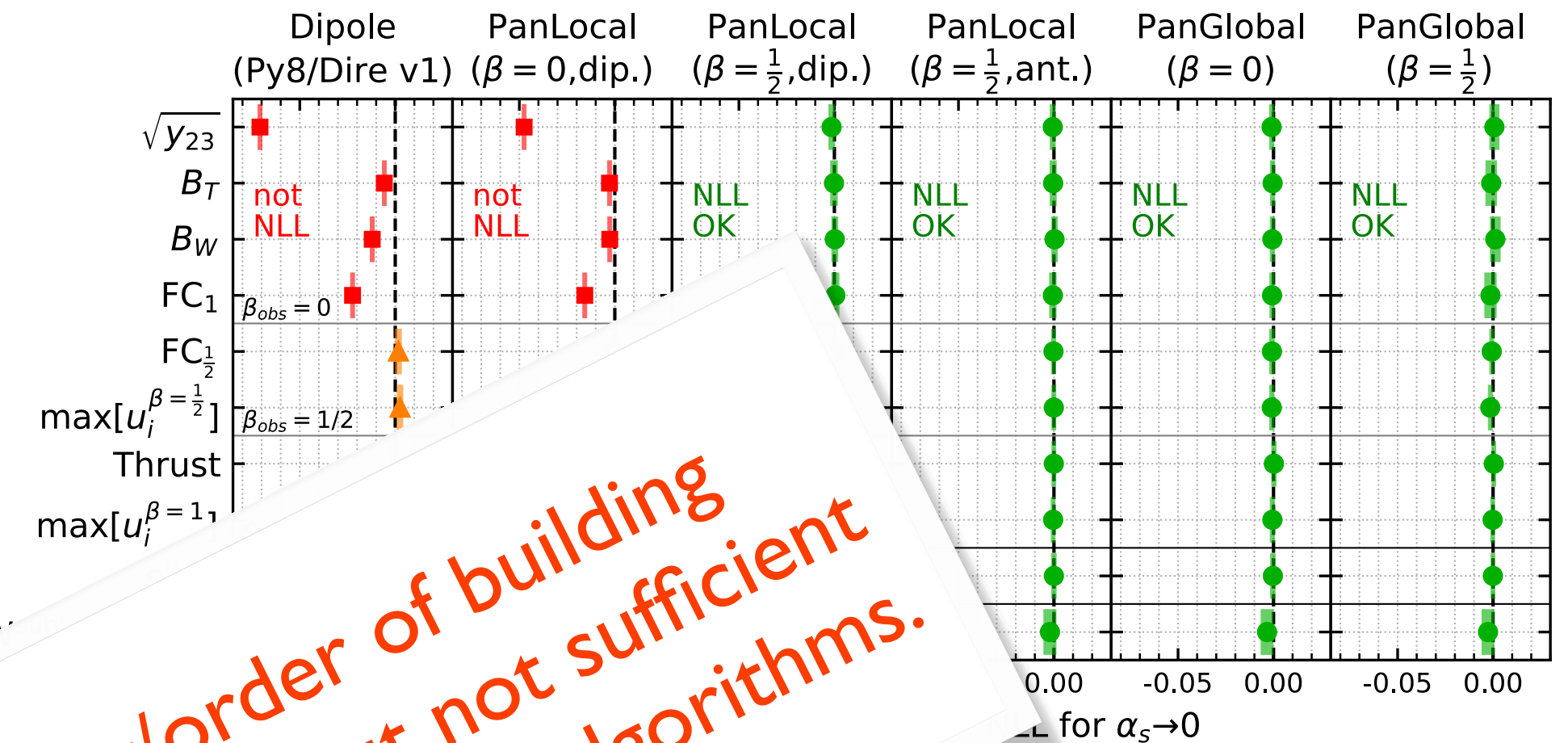
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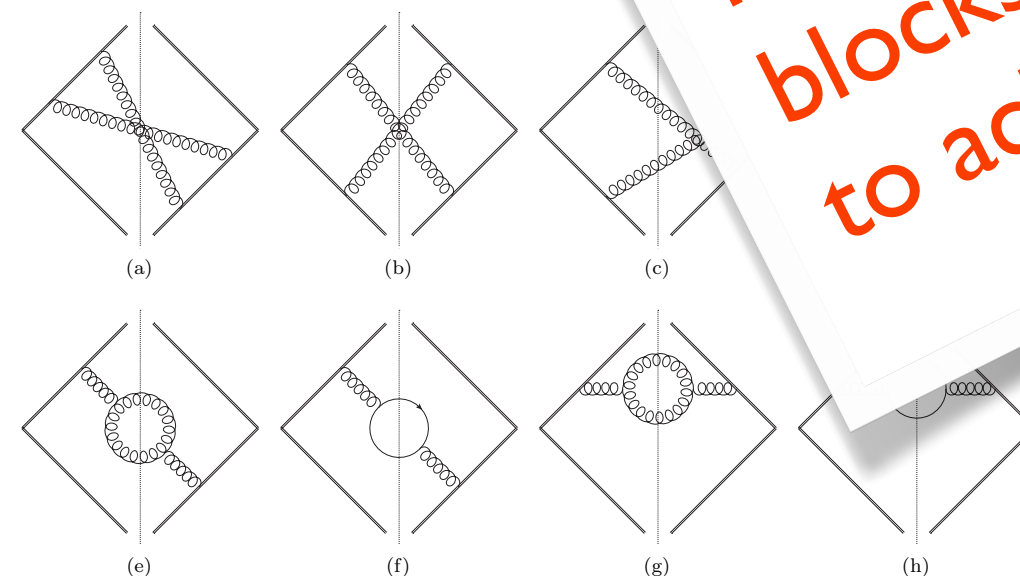
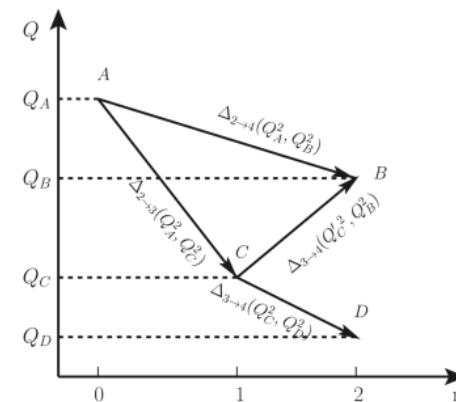


Higher accuracy/order of building blocks is necessary but not sufficient to achieve more accurate algorithms.

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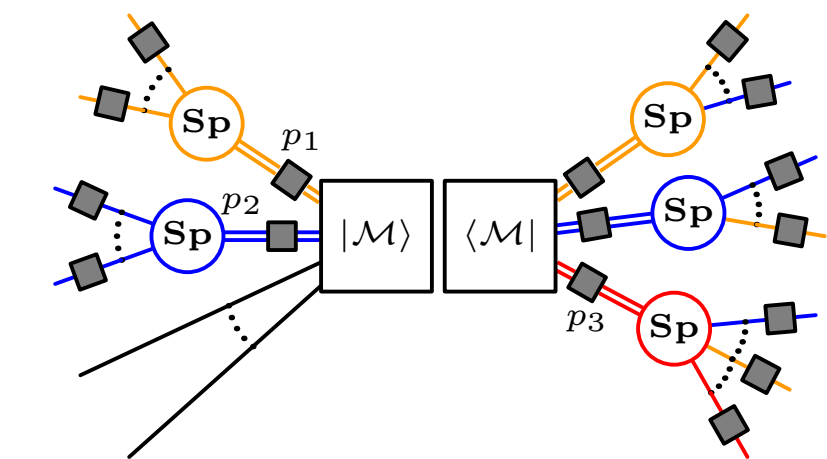
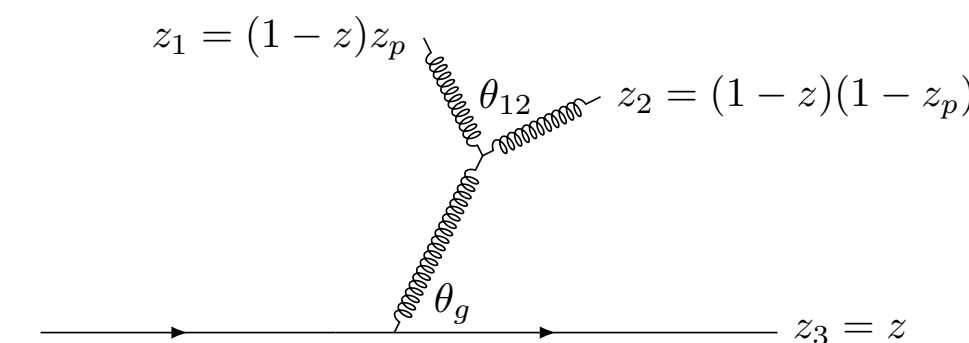


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# Accuracy for massive event shapes

Coherent branching jet mass distribution including mass effects

$$z(1-z)\tilde{q}^2 = -m_{ij}^2 + \frac{m_i^2}{z} + \frac{m_j^2}{1-z} - \frac{p_\perp^2}{z(1-z)}$$

$$P_{q \rightarrow qg} = \frac{C_F}{1-z} \left[ 1 + z^2 - \frac{2m_q^2}{z\tilde{q}^2} \right]$$

[Gieseke, Stephens, Webber – JHEP 0312 (2003) 045]

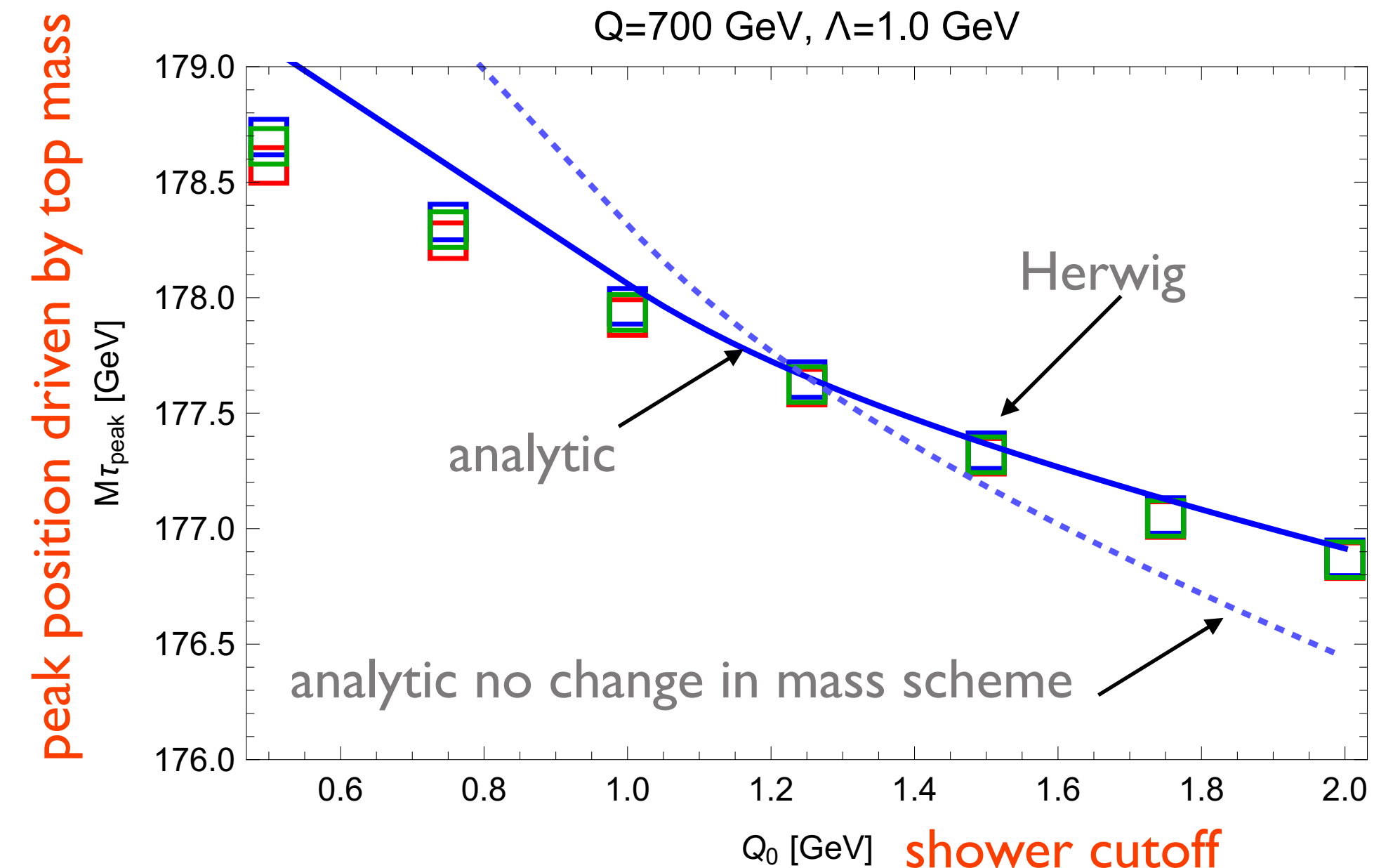
**NLL accurate for global observables with massive quarks.**

Analytically calculate **perturbative correction** to the top mass as predicted by parton branching algorithms

[Hoang, Plätzer, Samitz — JHEP 1810 (2018) 200]

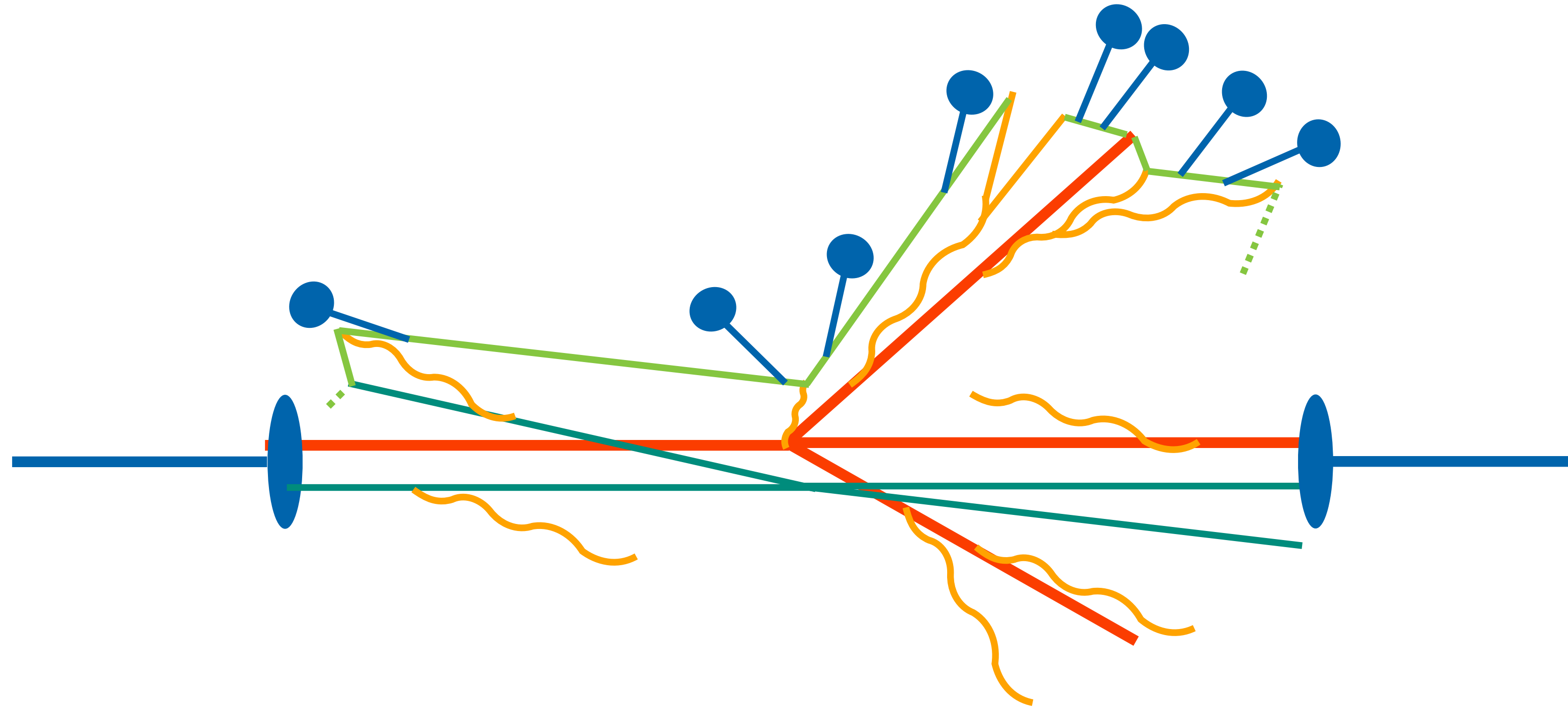
$$m_t^{\text{MC}} = m_t^{\text{pole}} + \Delta_m^{\text{pert}} + \Delta_m^{\text{non-pert}} + \Delta_m^{\text{MC}}$$

$$m_t^{\text{CB}}(Q_0) = m_t^{\text{pole}} - \frac{2}{3} Q_0 \alpha_s(Q_0) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$$



See Silvia's talk for related discussions.

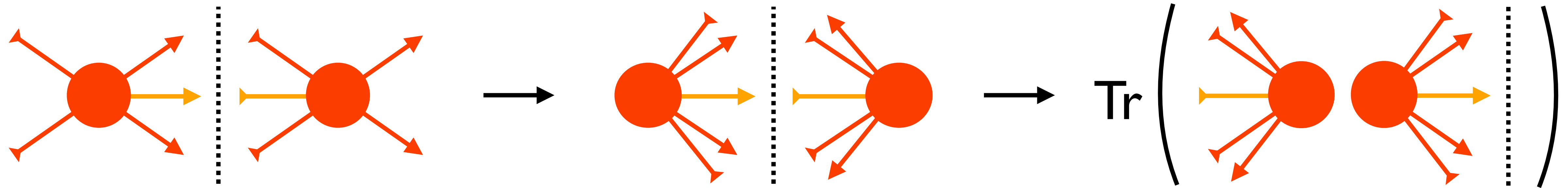
# Complexity factorized?



$$d\sigma \sim \text{Tr} \left[ \mathbf{PS}(Q \rightarrow \mu) d\mathbf{H}(Q) \mathbf{PS}^\dagger(Q \rightarrow \mu) \mathbf{Had}(\mu \rightarrow \Lambda) \right]$$



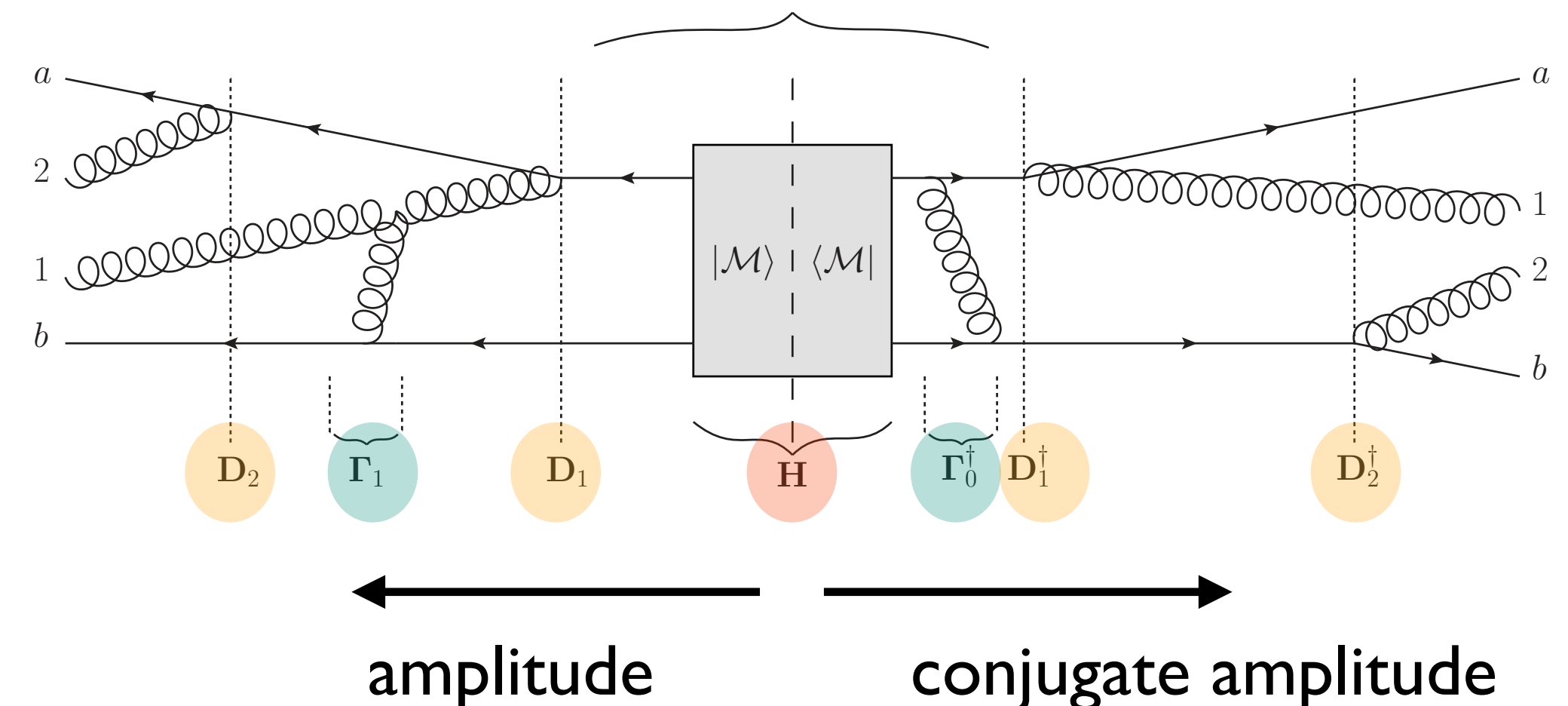
# Amplitude evolution



$$\mathbf{A}_n(q) = \int_q^Q \frac{dk}{k} \mathbf{P} e^{-\int_q^k \frac{dk'}{k'} \mathbf{\Gamma}(k')} \mathbf{D}_n(k) \mathbf{A}_{n-1}(k) \mathbf{D}_n^\dagger(k) \bar{\mathbf{P}} e^{-\int_q^k \frac{dk'}{k'} \mathbf{\Gamma}^\dagger(k')}$$

Markovian algorithm at the amplitude level:  
Iterate **gluon exchanges** and **emission**.

Different histories in amplitude and conjugate amplitude needed to include interference.



[Angeles, De Angelis, Forshaw, Plätzer, Seymour – JHEP 05 (2018) 044]

[Forshaw, Holguin, Plätzer – JHEP 1908 (2019) 145, ...]

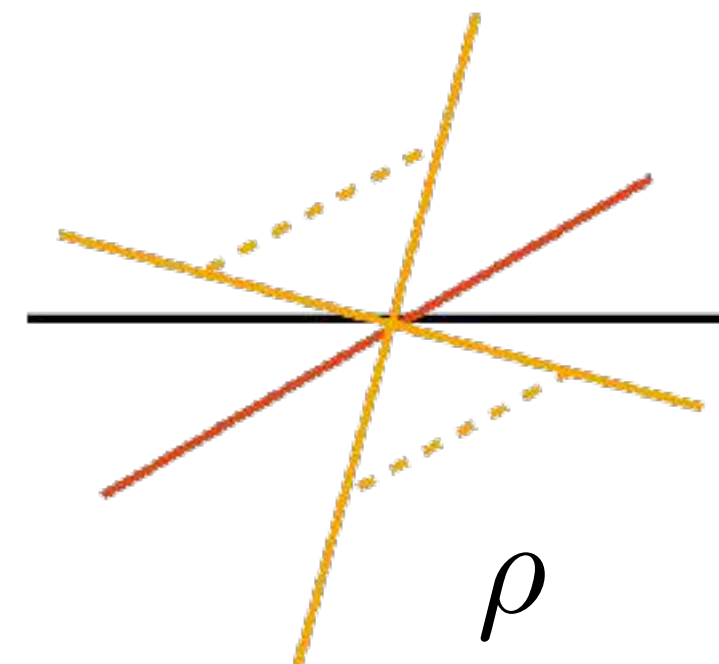
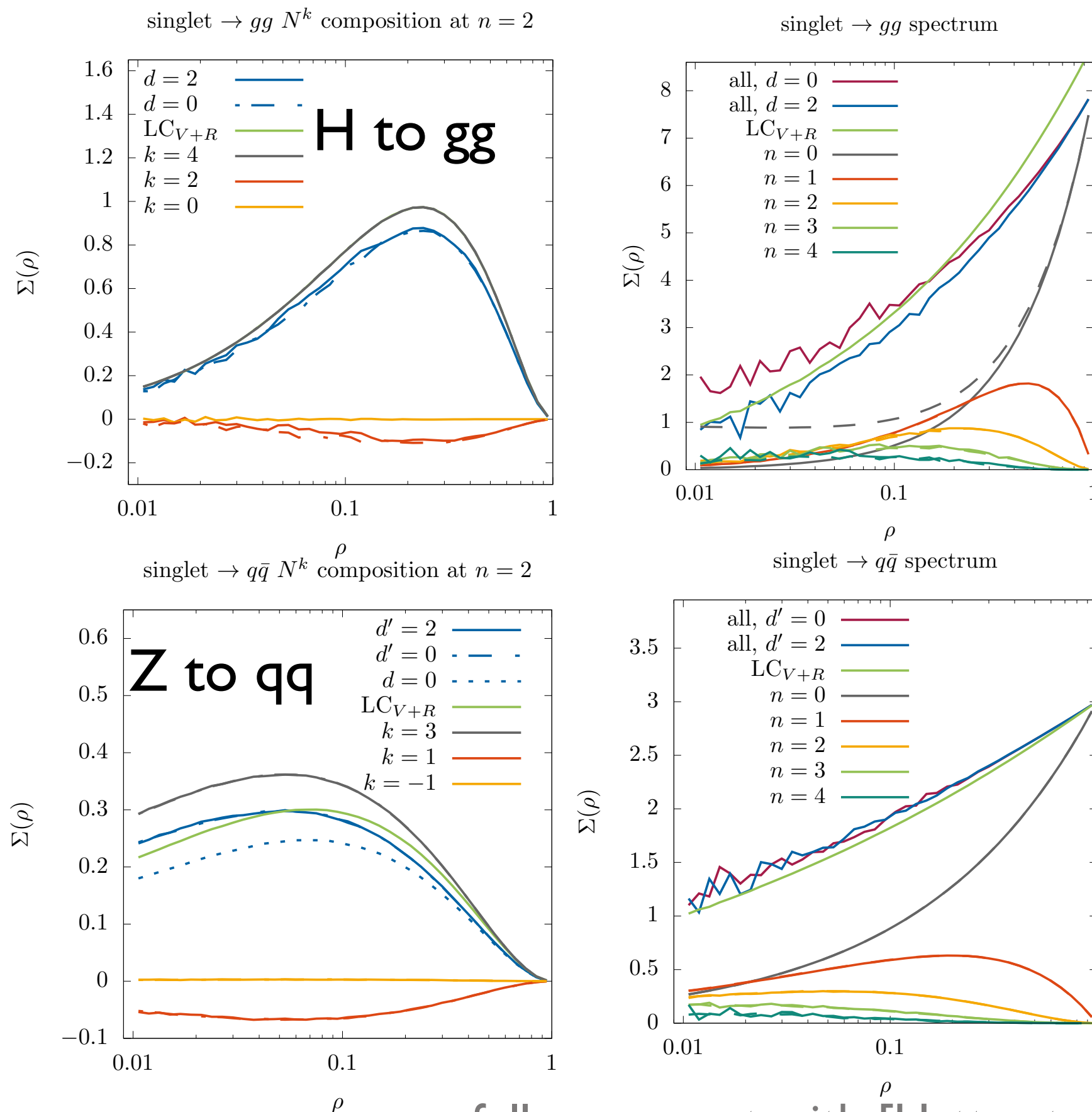
[Nagy, Soper — JHEP 06 (2014) 097 & PRD 98 (2018) 1, ...]

# Beyond Leading Colour

**CVolver library implements numerical evolution in colour space.**

origins in  
[Plätzer – EPJ C 74 (2014) 2907]

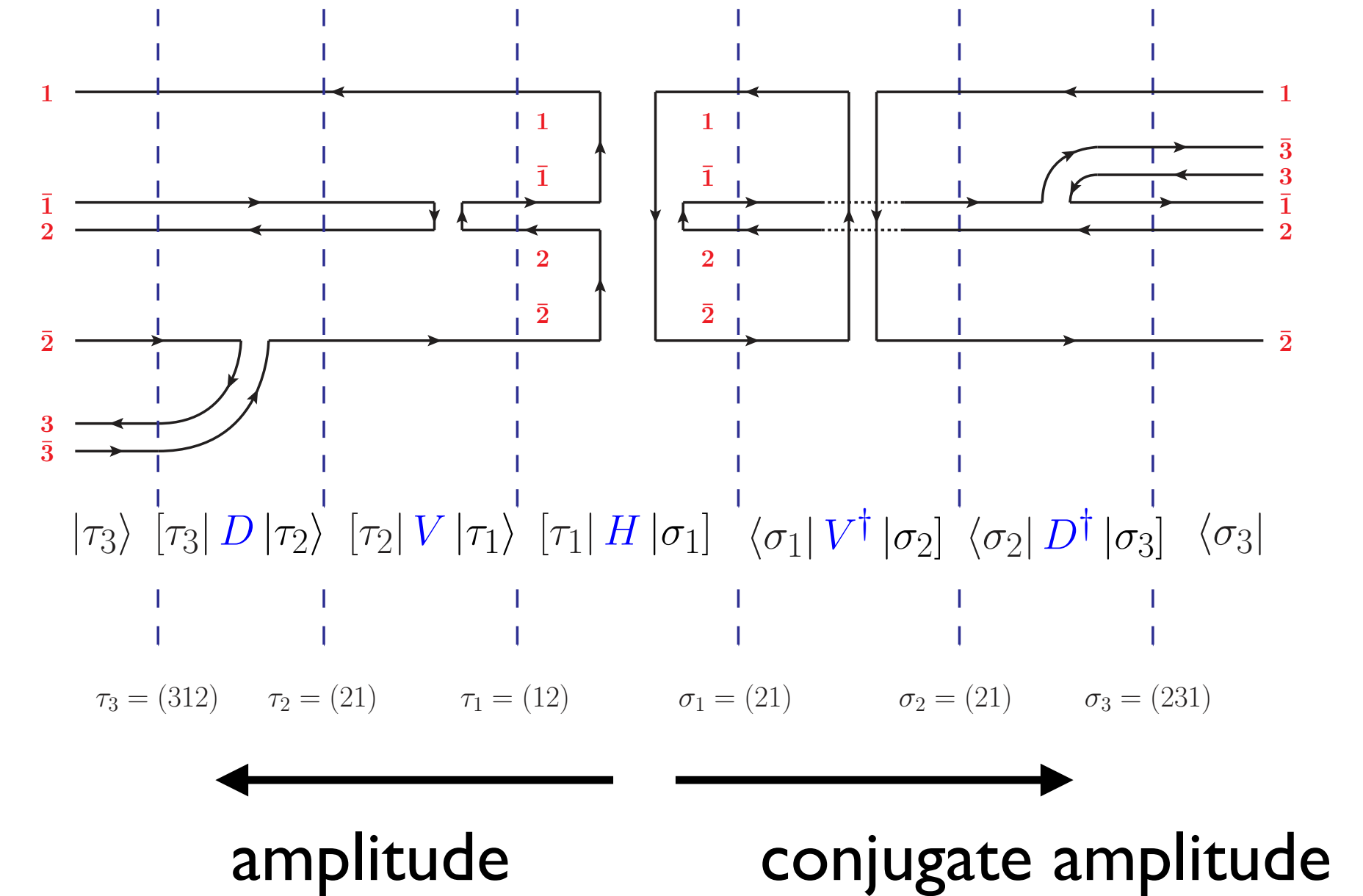
**Resummation of non-global logarithms at full colour:**



$$\Sigma(\rho) = \sum_n \int d\sigma(\{p_i\}) \prod_i \theta_{\text{in}}(\rho - E_i)$$

full agreement with [Hatta et al. — Nucl.Phys.B 962 (2021) 115273]

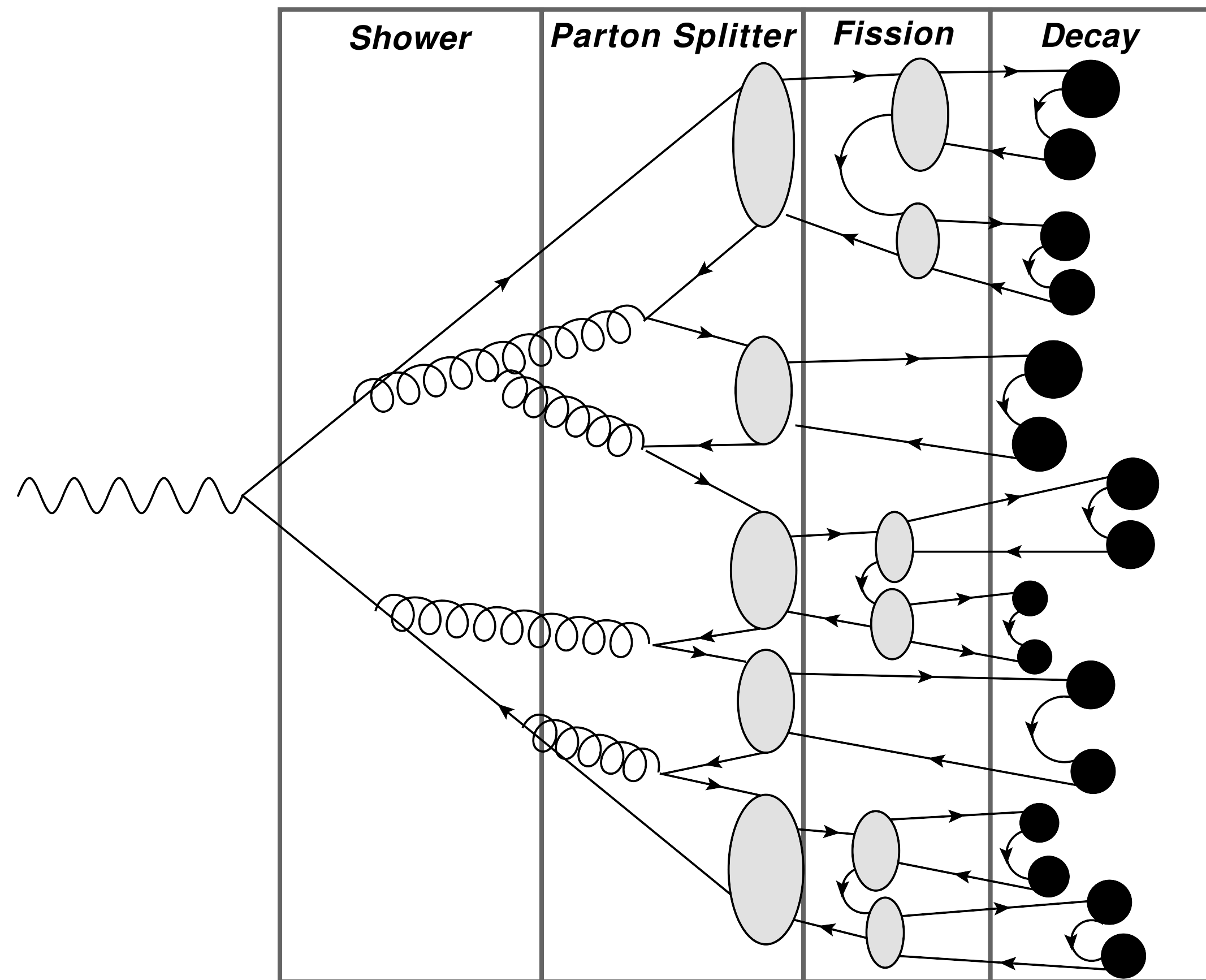
[De Angelis, Forshaw, Plätzer — PRL 126 (2021) 11]



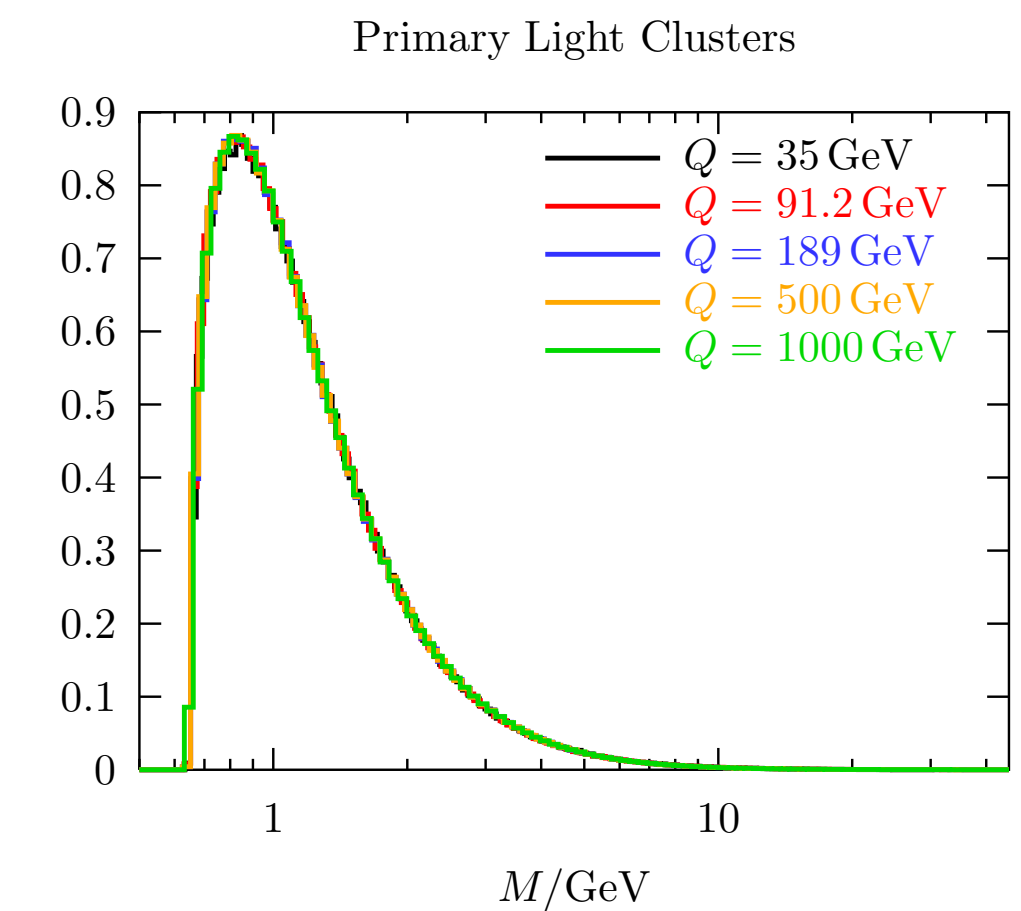
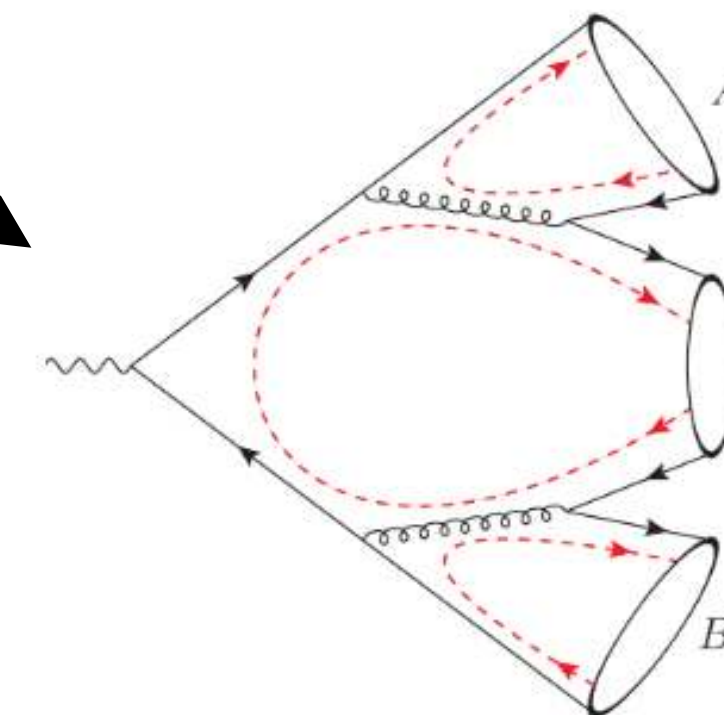
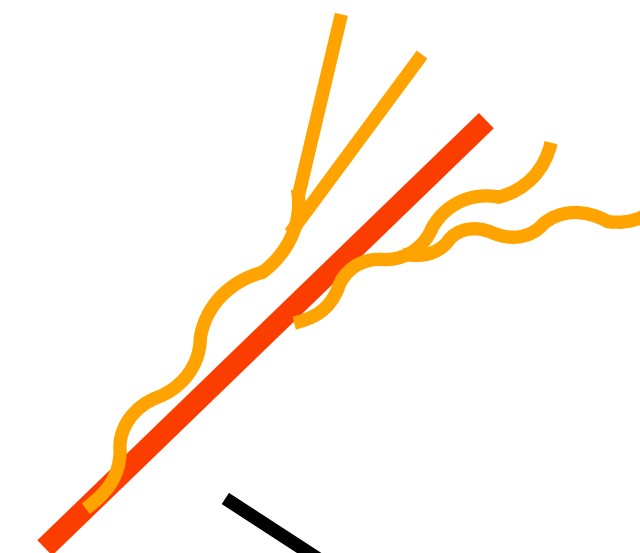
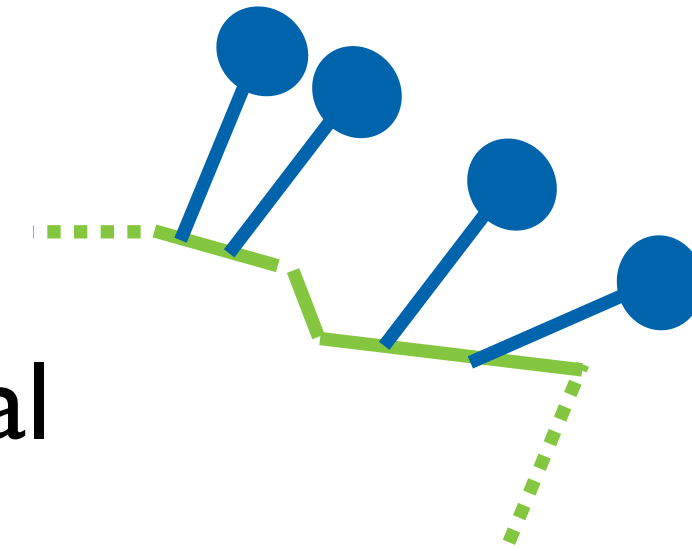
**Avoid complexity which grows with colour space dimensionality:**

- Monte Carlo over colour flows,
- events at intermediate steps carry complex weights.

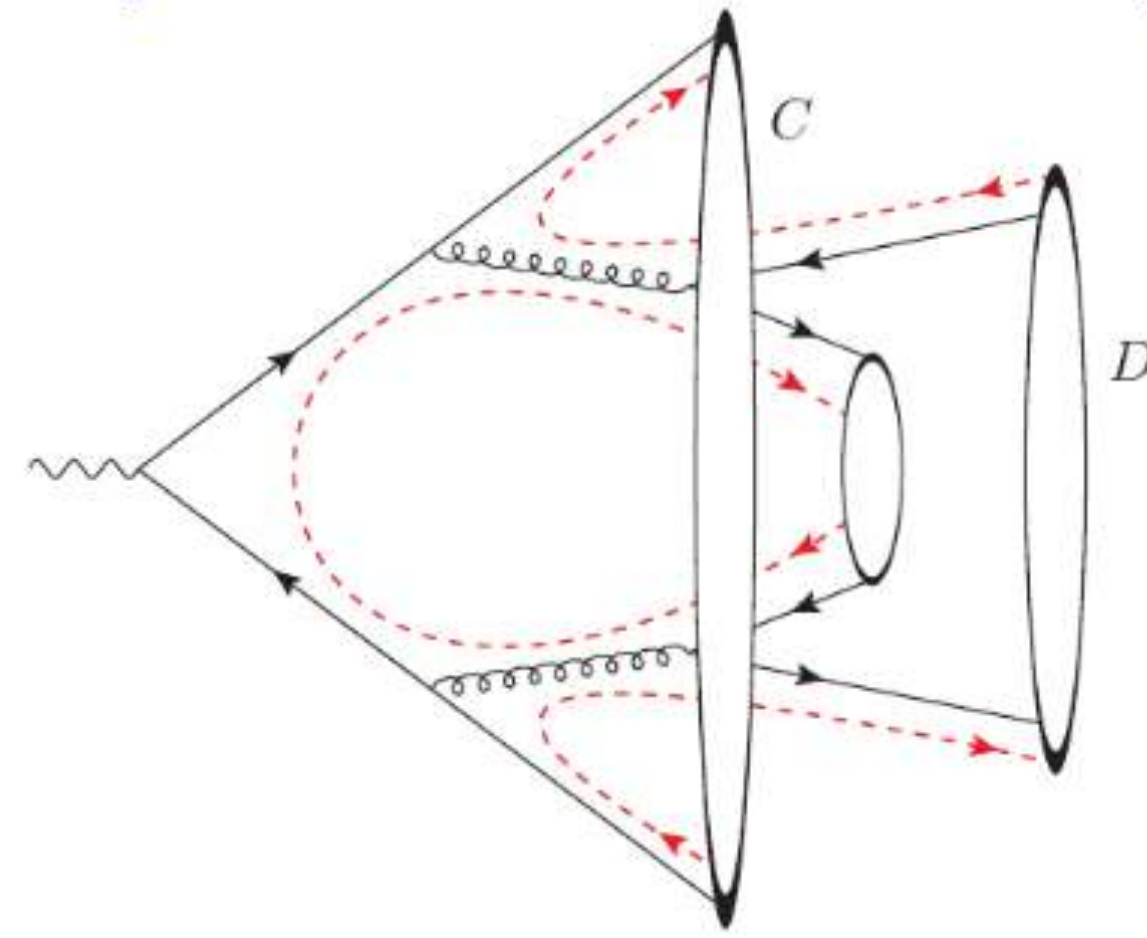
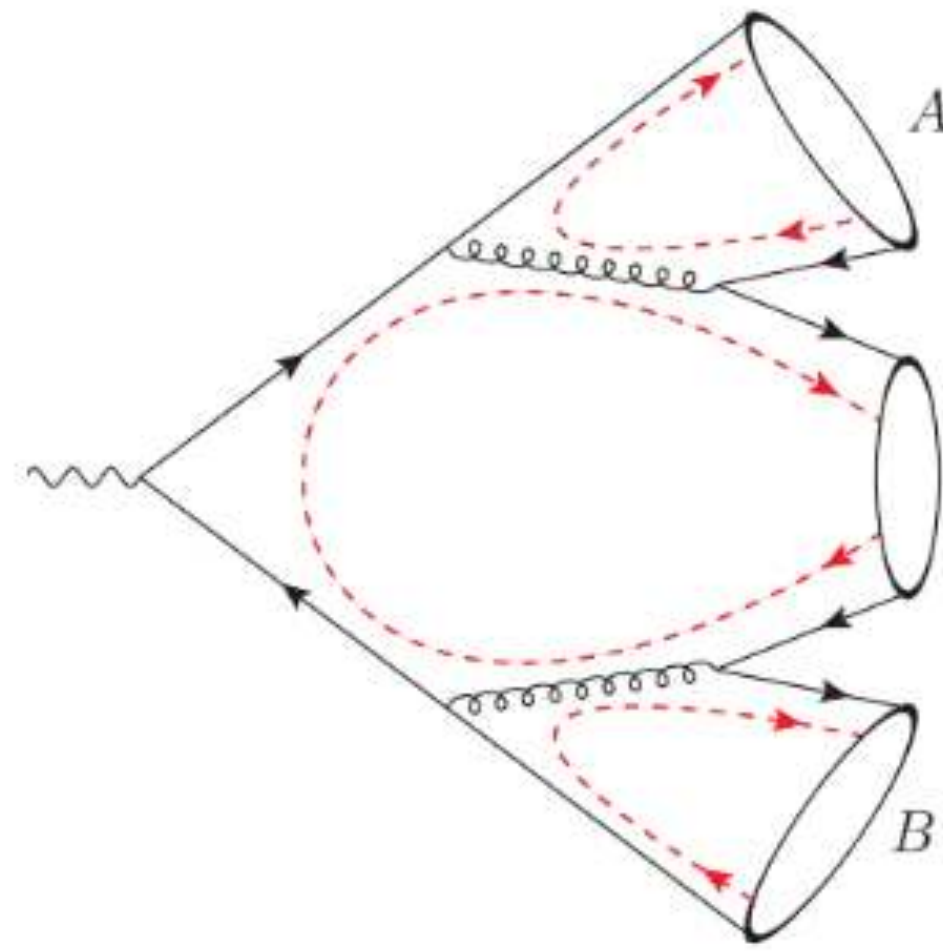
# Perturbative Implications for Hadronization



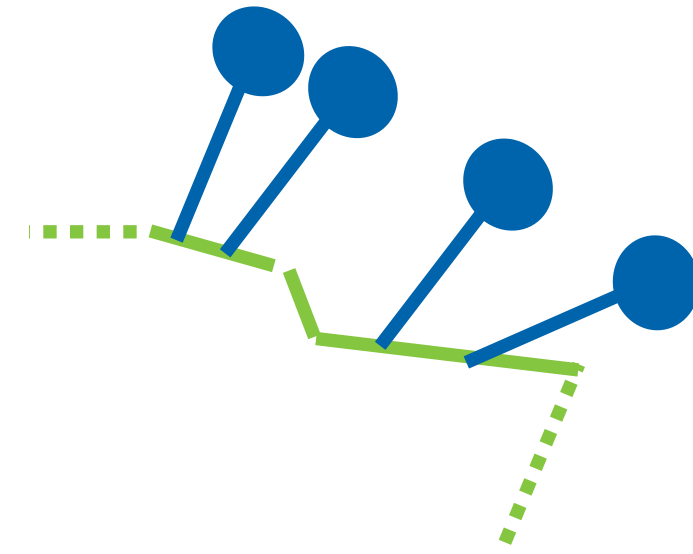
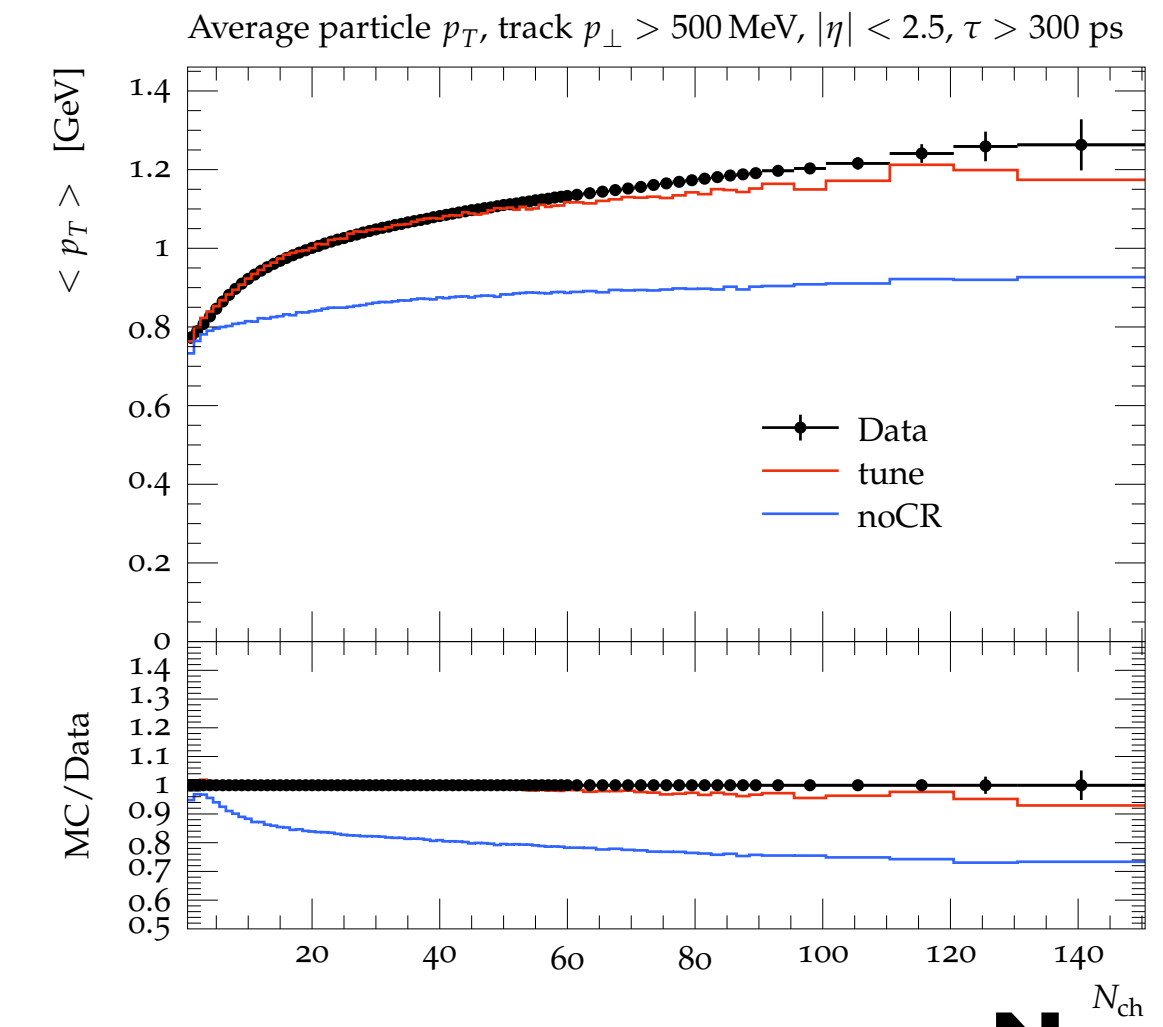
Coherent shower evolution triggers universal cluster spectrum: pre-confinement.



# Would subleading-N matter?

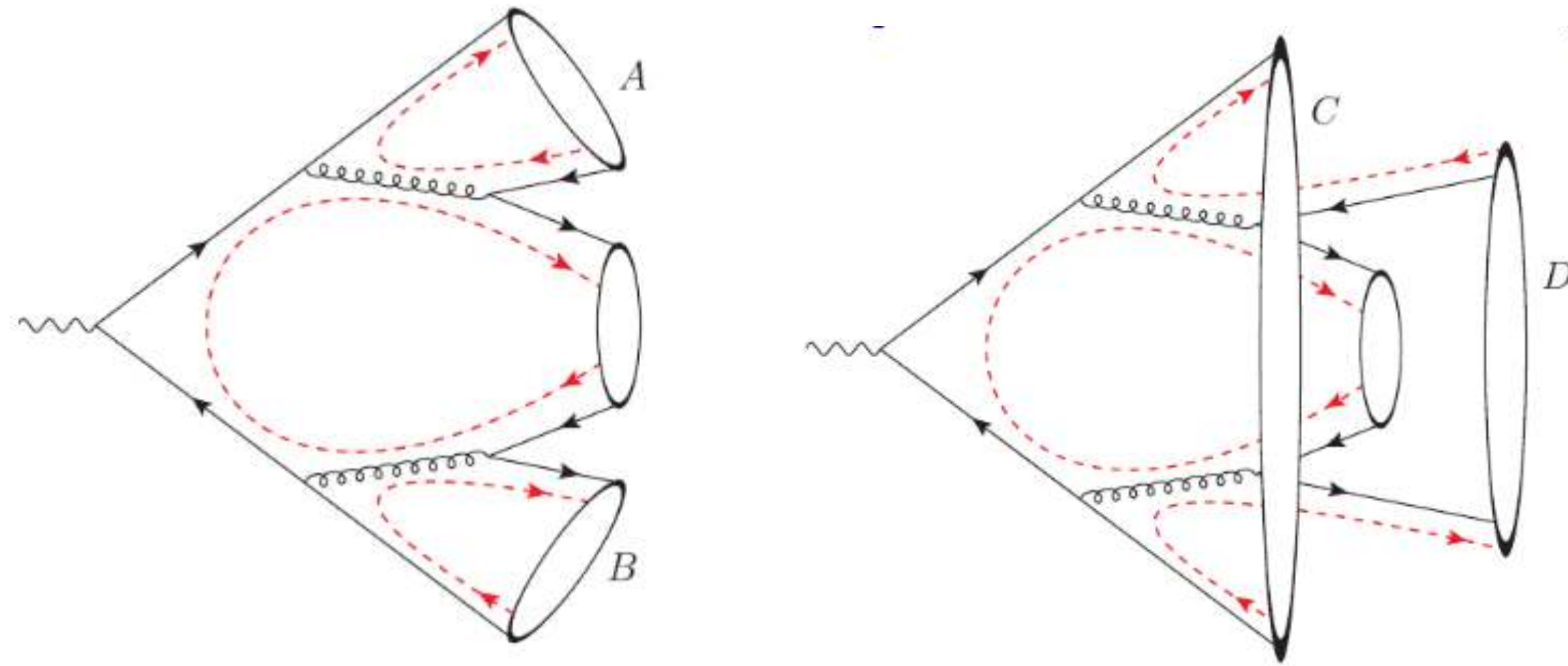


$\langle p_t \rangle$

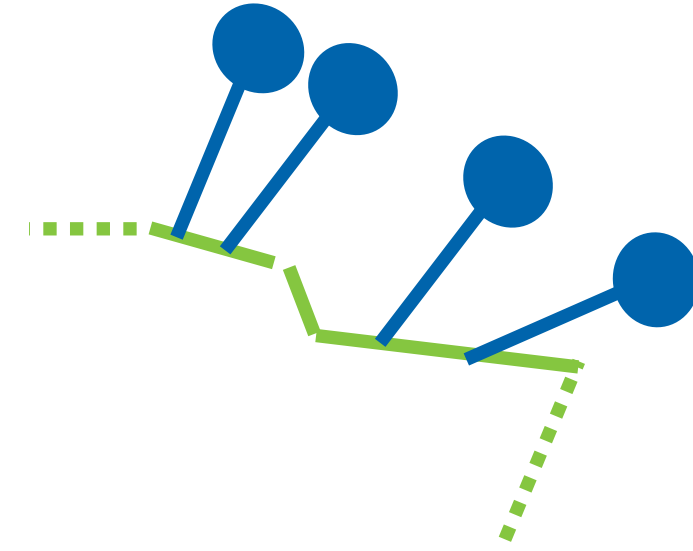
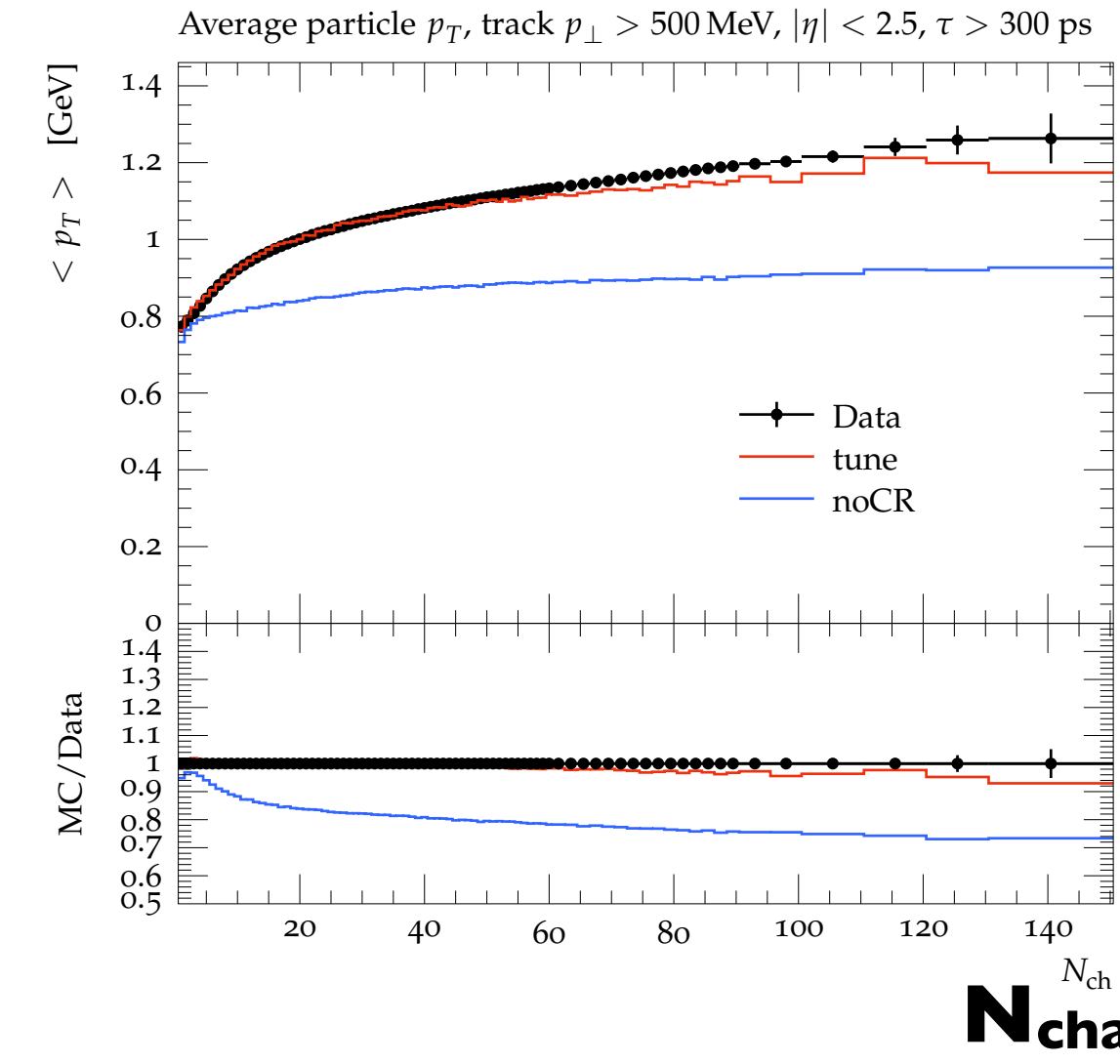


$N_{\text{charged}}$

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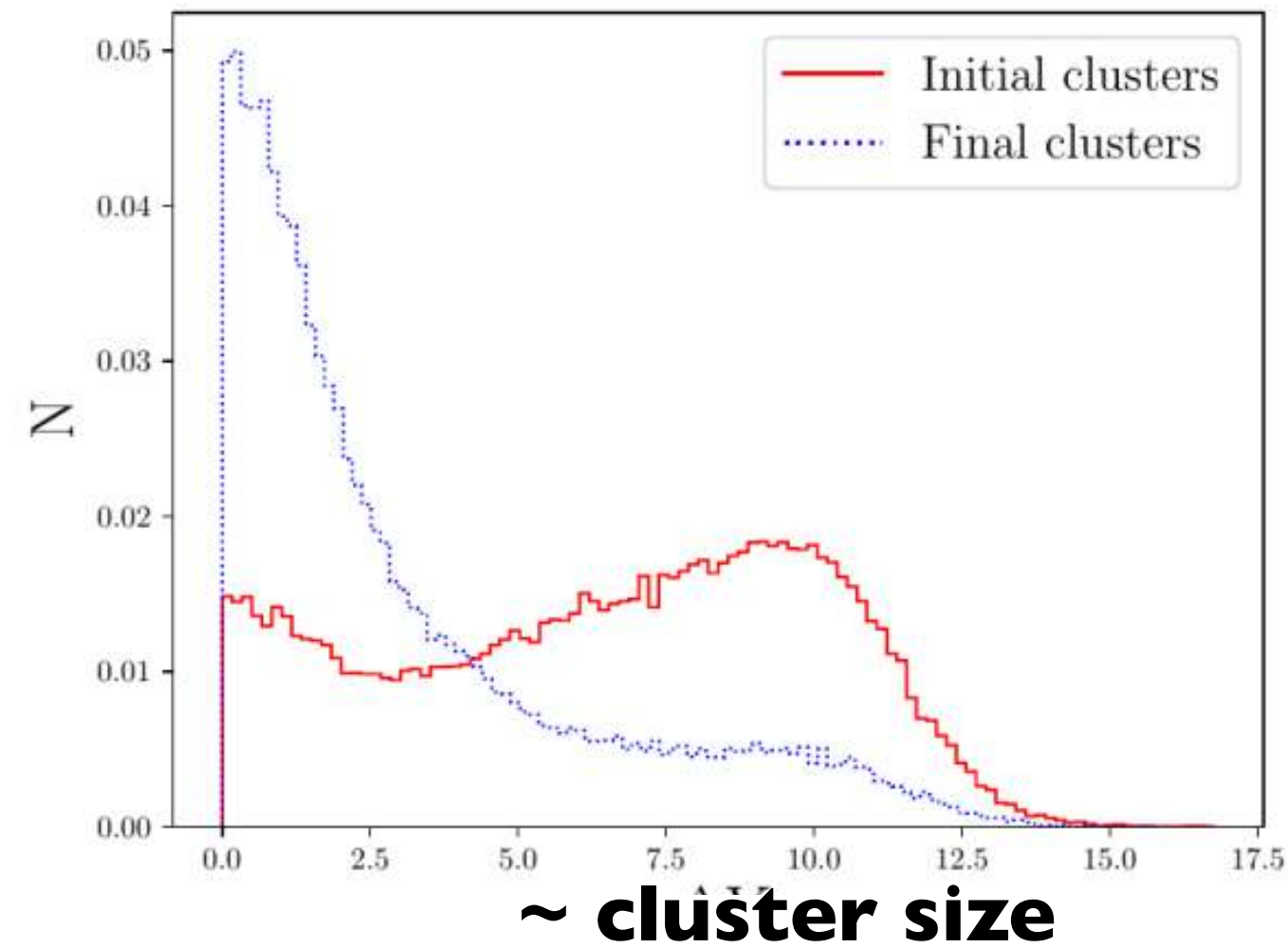


Approach colour reconnection from colour evolution: perturbative component?

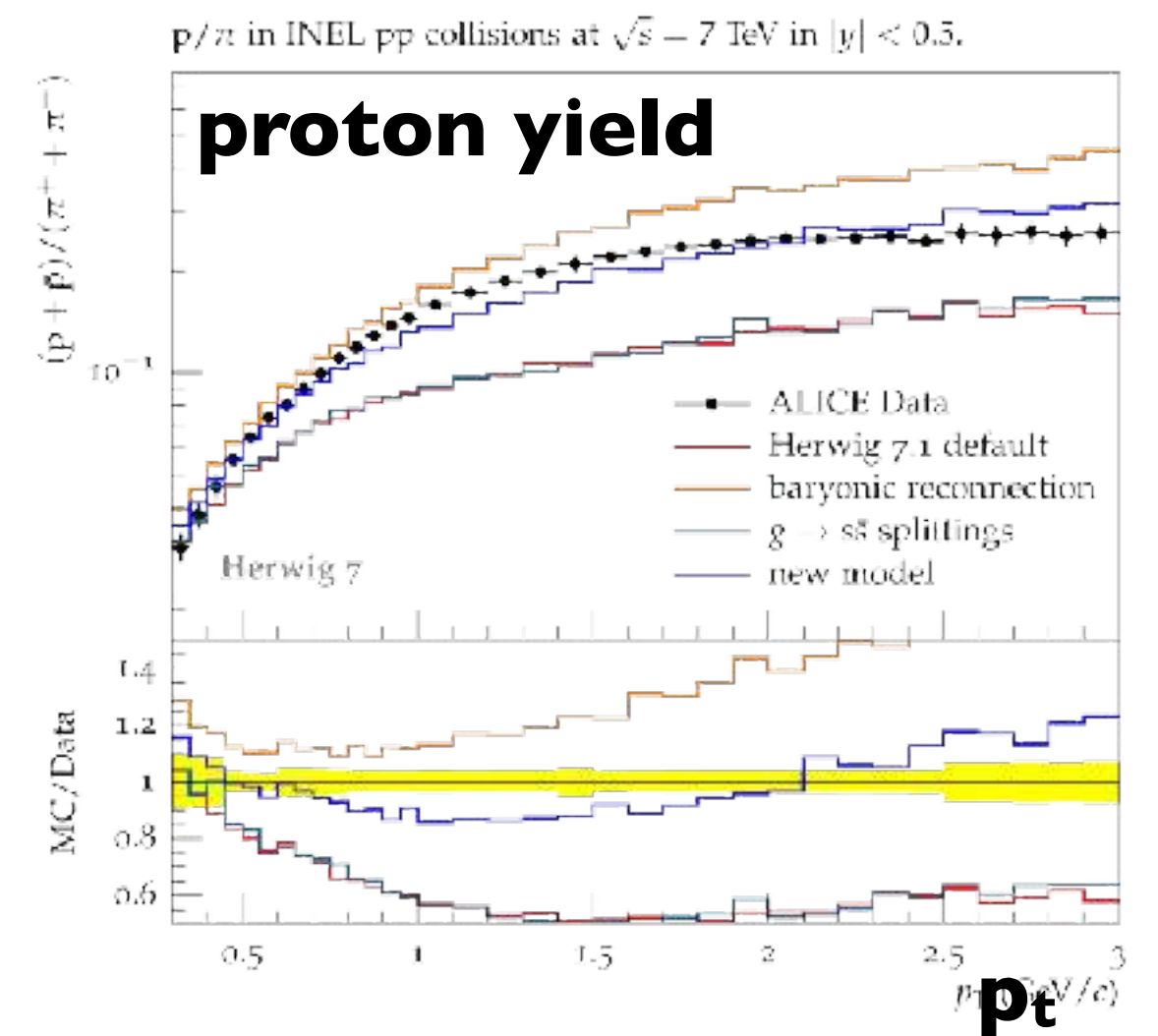
Reconnection amplitude

$$P e^{-\int_q^k \frac{dk'}{k'} \Gamma(k')}$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{\tau \rightarrow \sigma} = \langle \sigma | \mathbf{U}(\{p\}, \mu^2, \{M_{ij}^2\}) | \tau \rangle$$



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[Gieseke, Kirchgaesser, Plätzer – EPJ C 78 (2018) 99]

[Gieseke, Kirchgaesser, Plätzer, Siodmok – JHEP 11 (2018) 149]

# Summary & Outlook

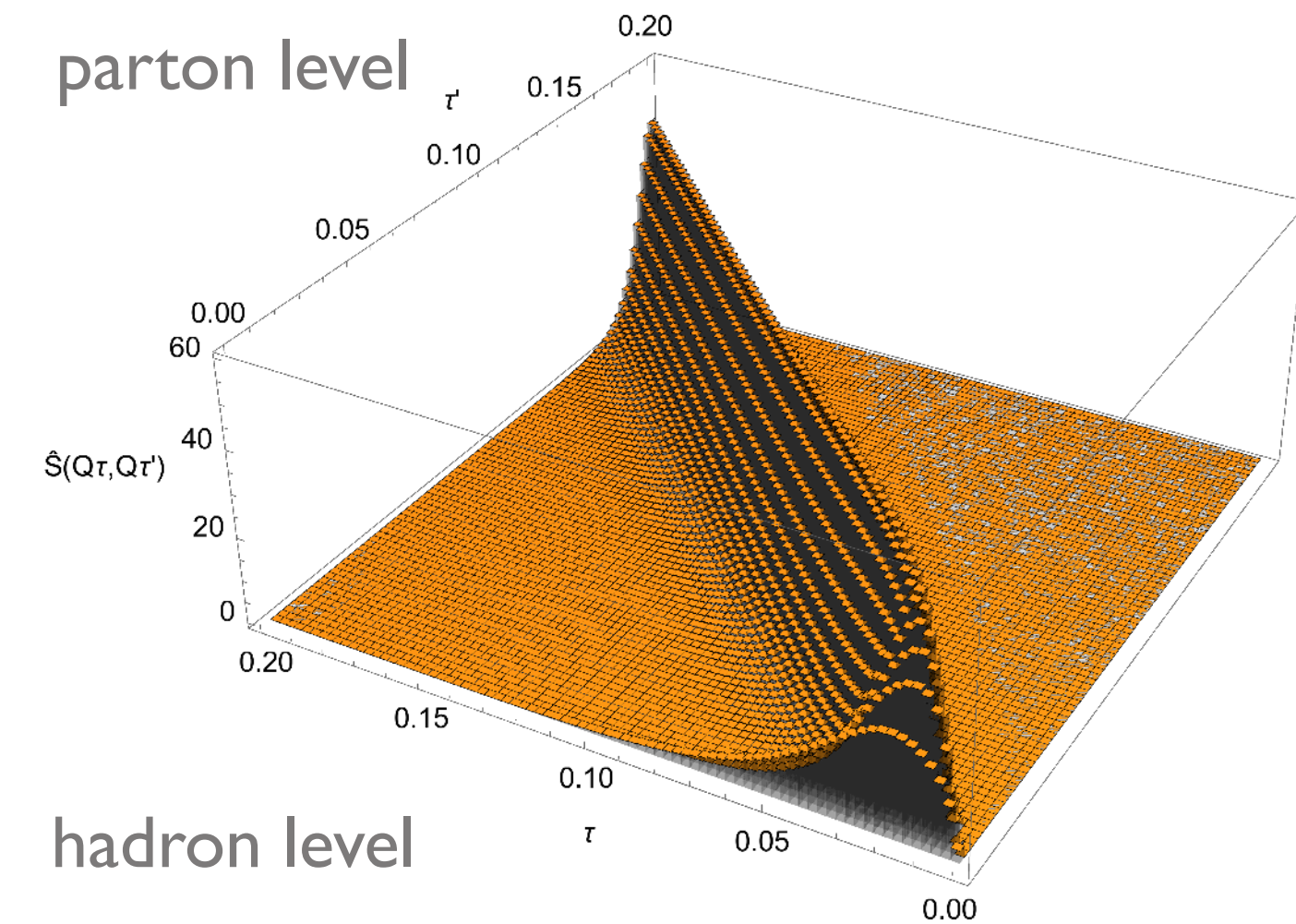


Multi-purpose event generators well established for all FCC options.  
Matching & merging has been focus of last decade.

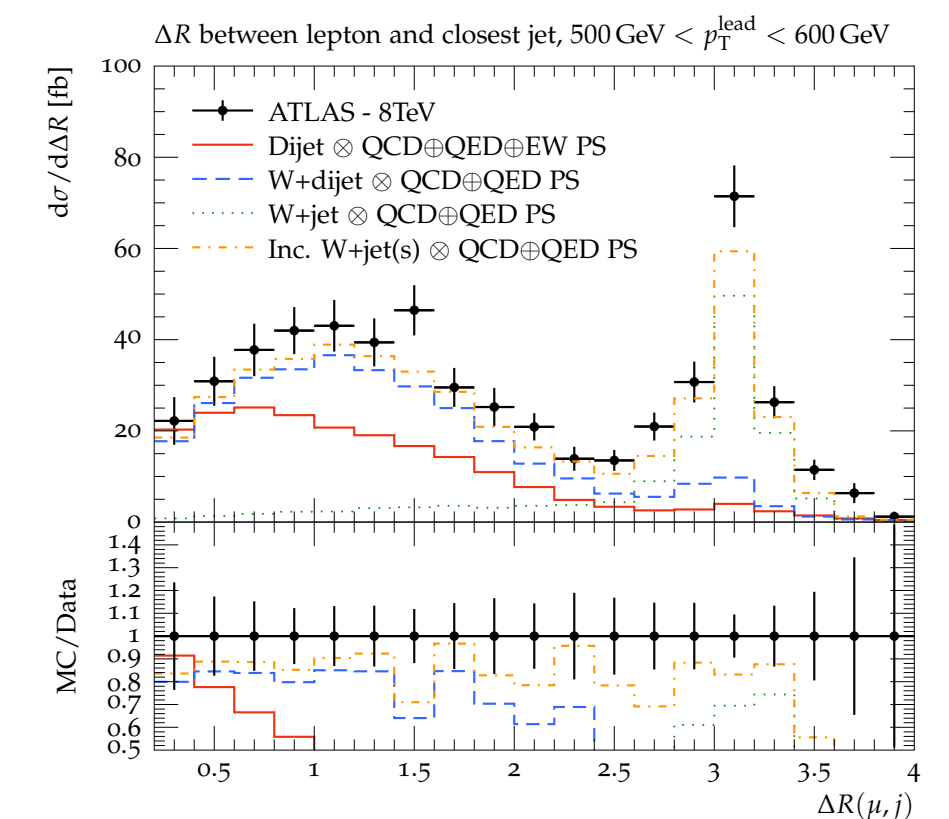
As we aim to use more and more of the complex structures, shower accuracy becomes the bottleneck.  
Also for matching to more than NNLO QCD.

The understanding of hadronization effects and models, and their interplay with parton showers will be one of the main topics in the future, not only in light of measuring fundamental parameters.

There is much more beyond this:  
electroweak effects, BSM, ...



[Hoang, Plätzer, Samitz — in progress]



[Masouminia, Richardson — arXiv:2108.10817]

Thank you!

