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MINLO

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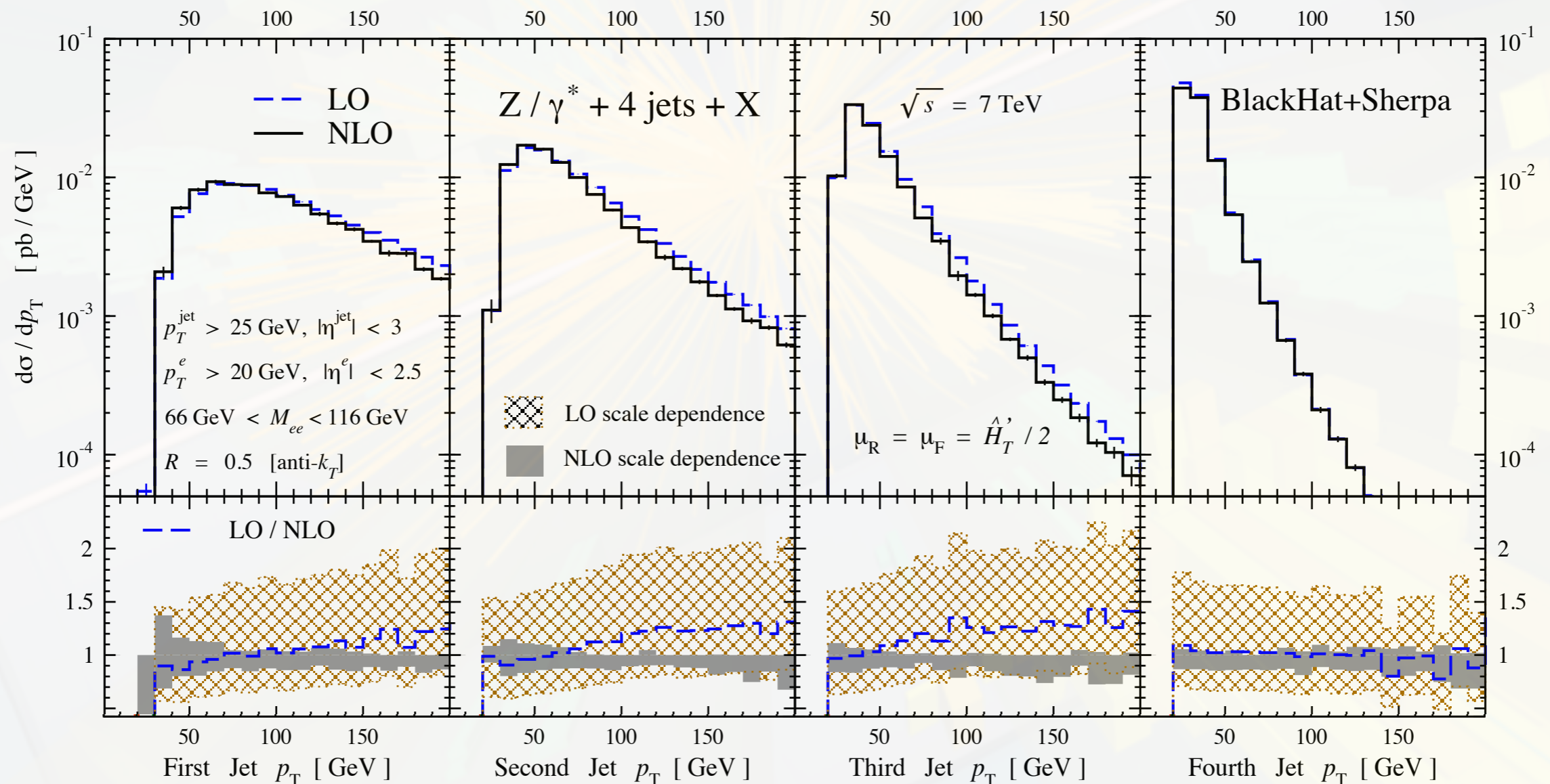
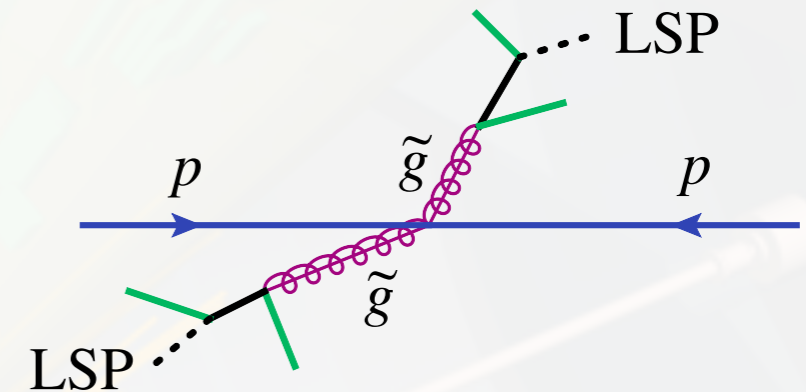
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Case for next-to-leading order calculations

- Help looking for / setting limits on SUSY
- Take $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}$ productⁿ \rightarrow 4 jets + MET
- Main bkg Z+4 jets [4 jet = 4 α_s 's]

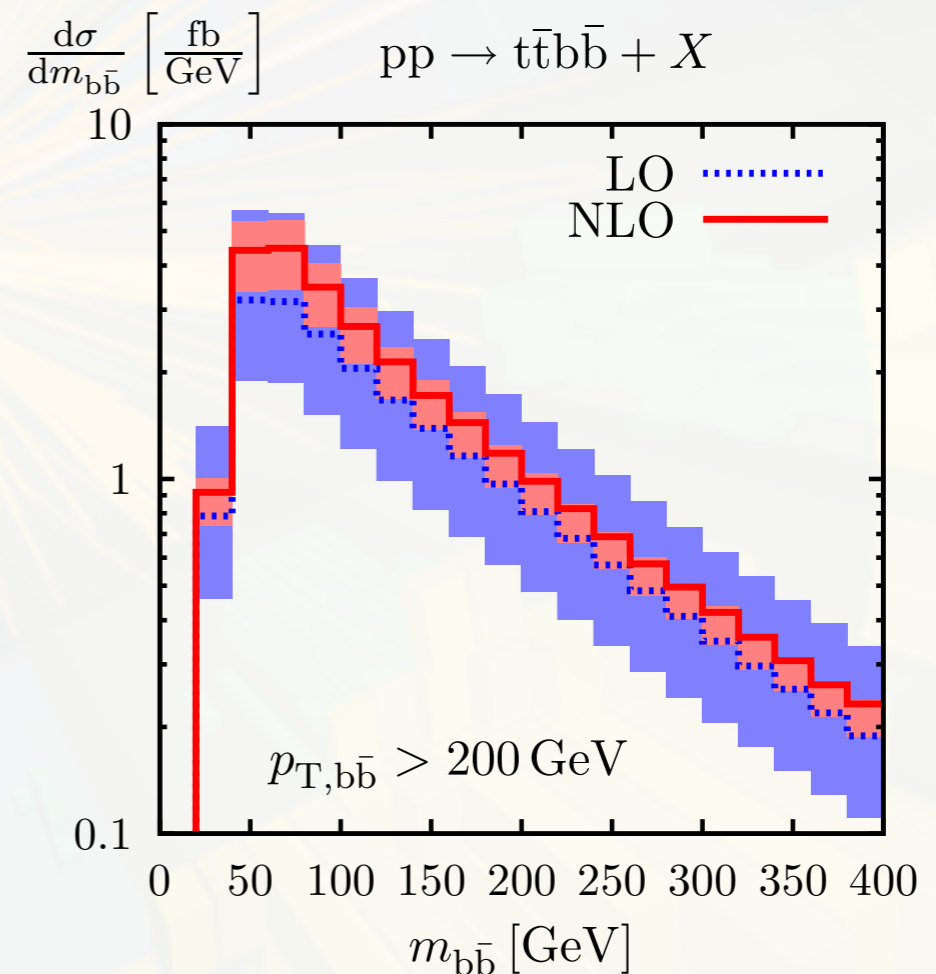
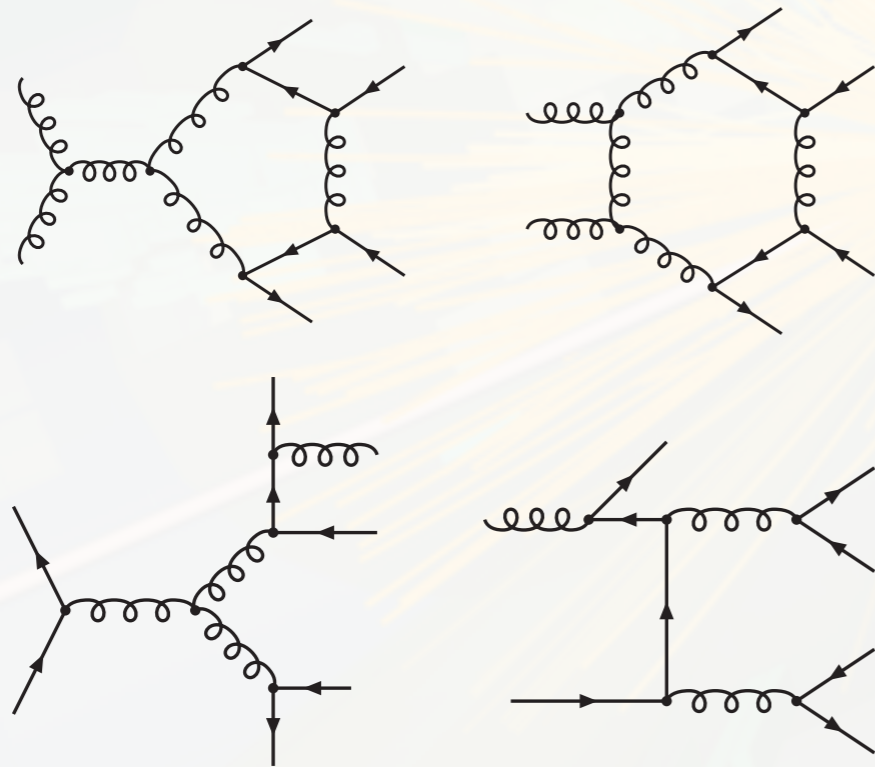


[BlackHat coll. PRD 85 (2012)]

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Case for next-to-leading order calculations

- Precision Higgs physics
- $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}H$ probes top Yukawa at tree level
- Has significant irreducible background from $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$



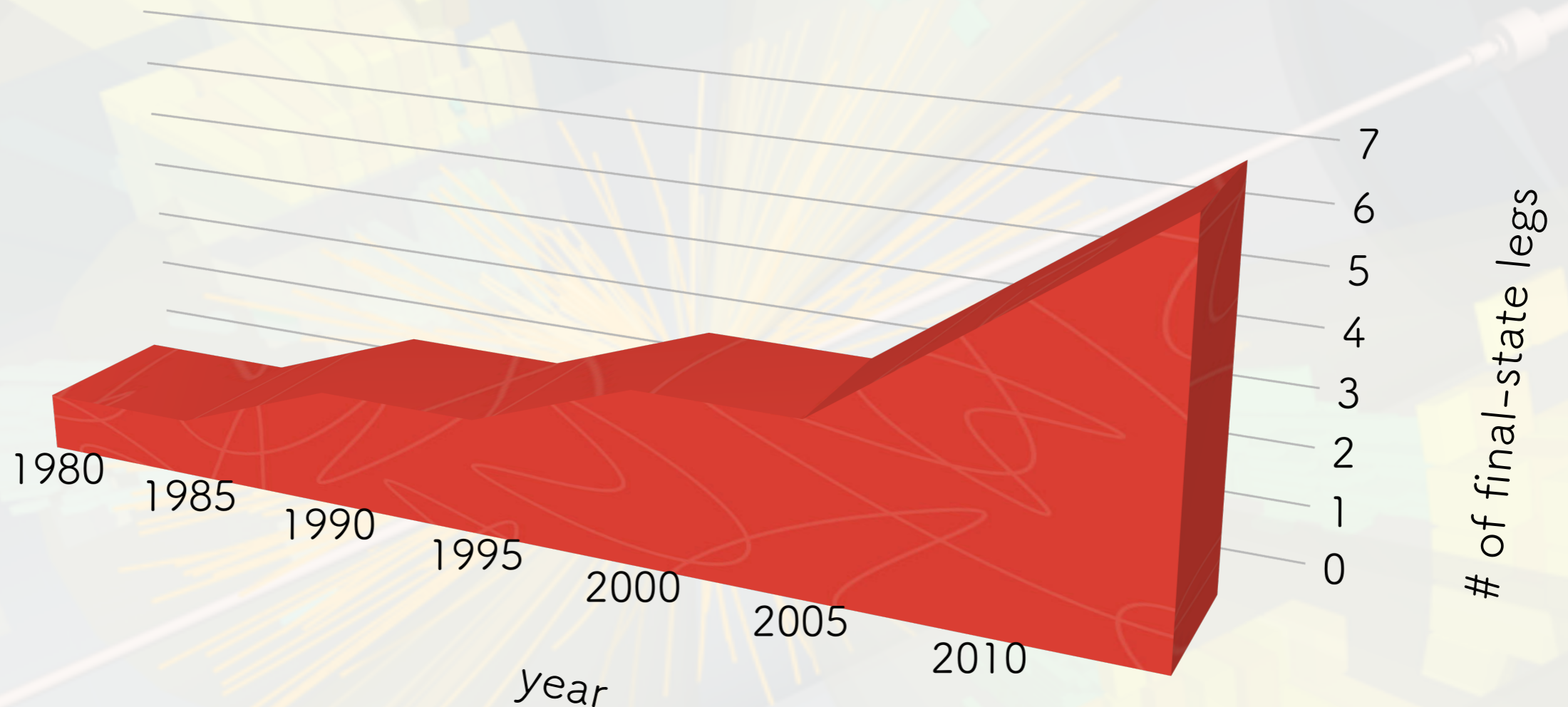
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[Bredenstein, Denner, Dittmaier, Pozzorini PRL 103 (2009)]

[Bevilacqua, Czakon, Papadopoulos, Pittau, Worek JHEP 0909 (2009)]

Case for next-to-leading order calculations

- Recent years have seen amazing progress in NLO calculations:



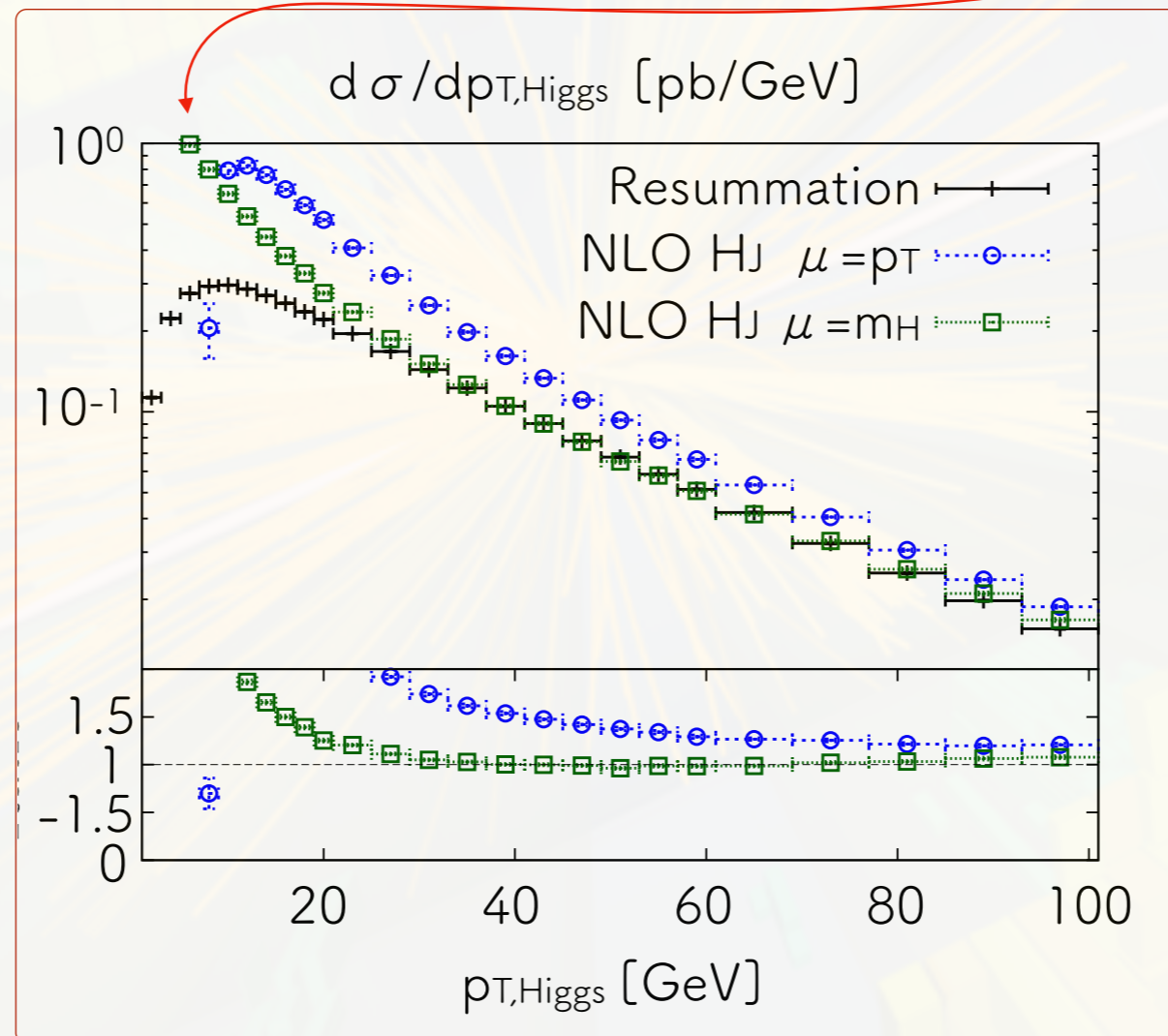
- Increasing complexity brings increasing powers of $\alpha s(\mu)$
- More emphasis on choosing μ 's carefully

Renormalization and factorization scales

- 'Good scales' commonly considered to be so retrospectively on seeing higher order corrⁿs and residual scale sensitivity are small
- 'Bad scales' commonly declared on finding large higher order corrⁿs & res. scale sensitivity : typically diagnosed as large unphysical scale logs

Q1: are large higher order corrⁿs all down to large μ_R / F logs?

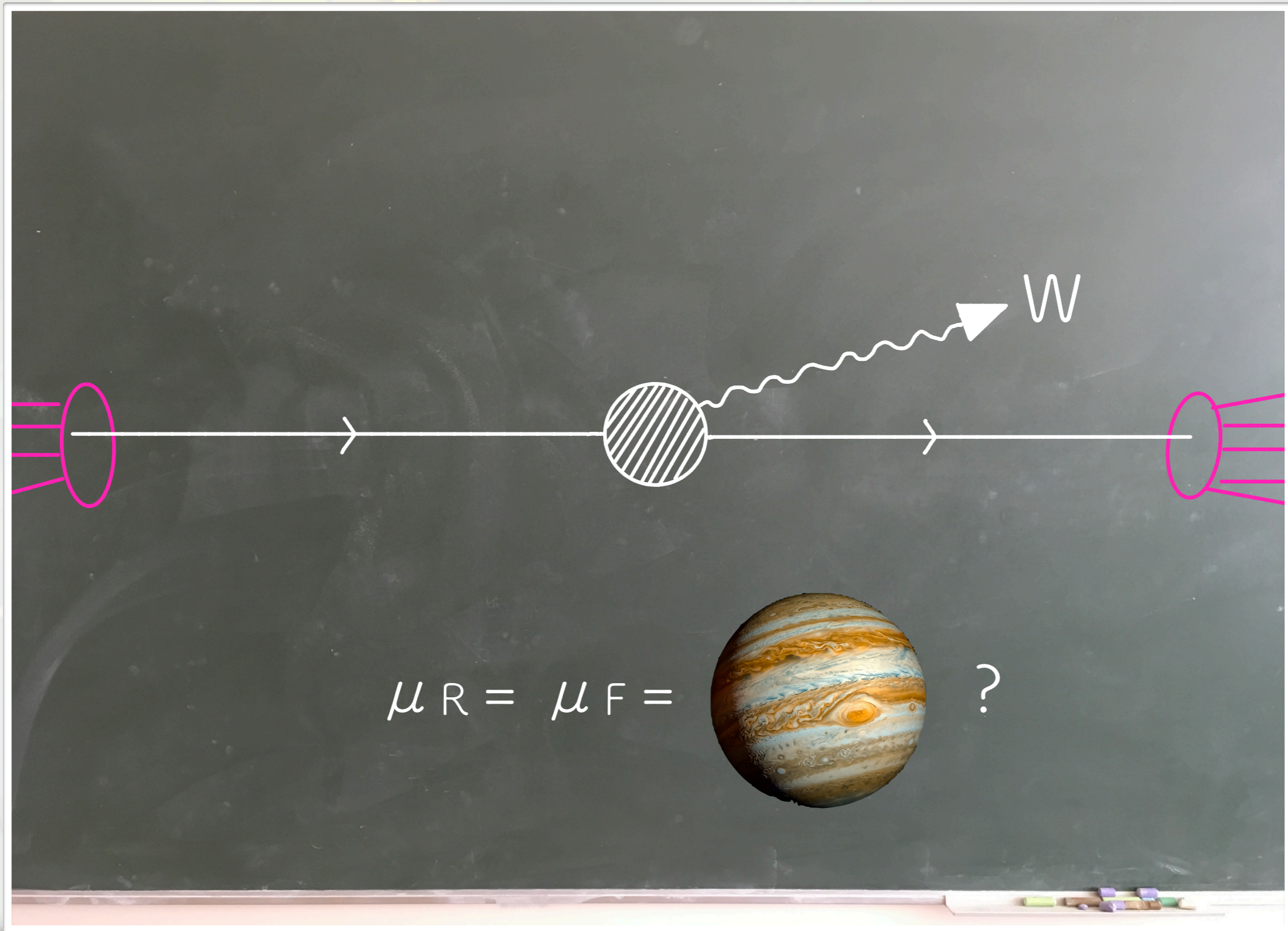
- Big higher order corrⁿs can have real physical origins: new prodⁿ channels, big colour factors, large gluon flux, I.R. logs ...



- Adjusting scale to make corrⁿs / sensitivity small can effectively 'eat' unrelated physics in scale choice

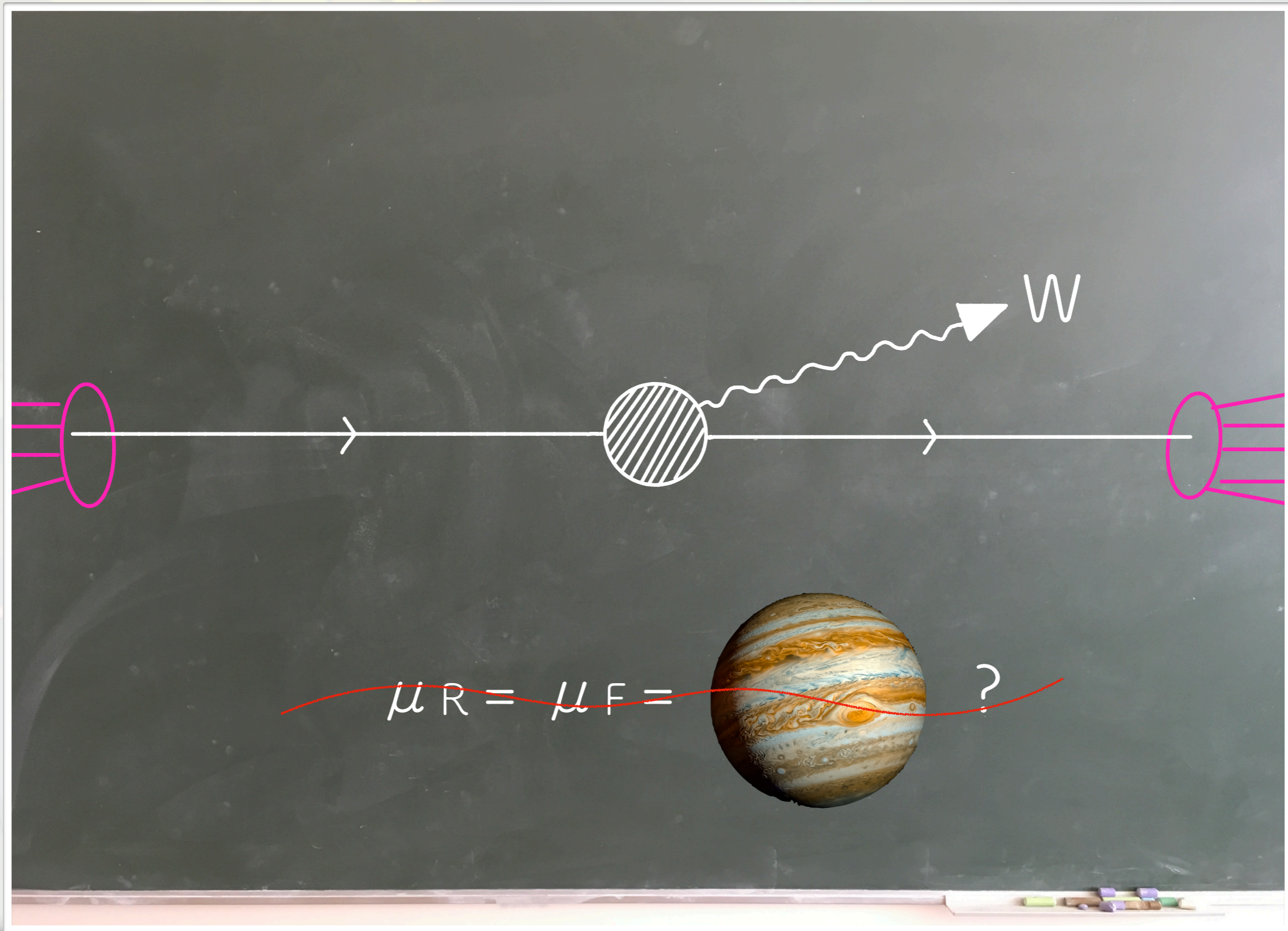
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- In single/few scale processes it's harder to make a bad scale choice



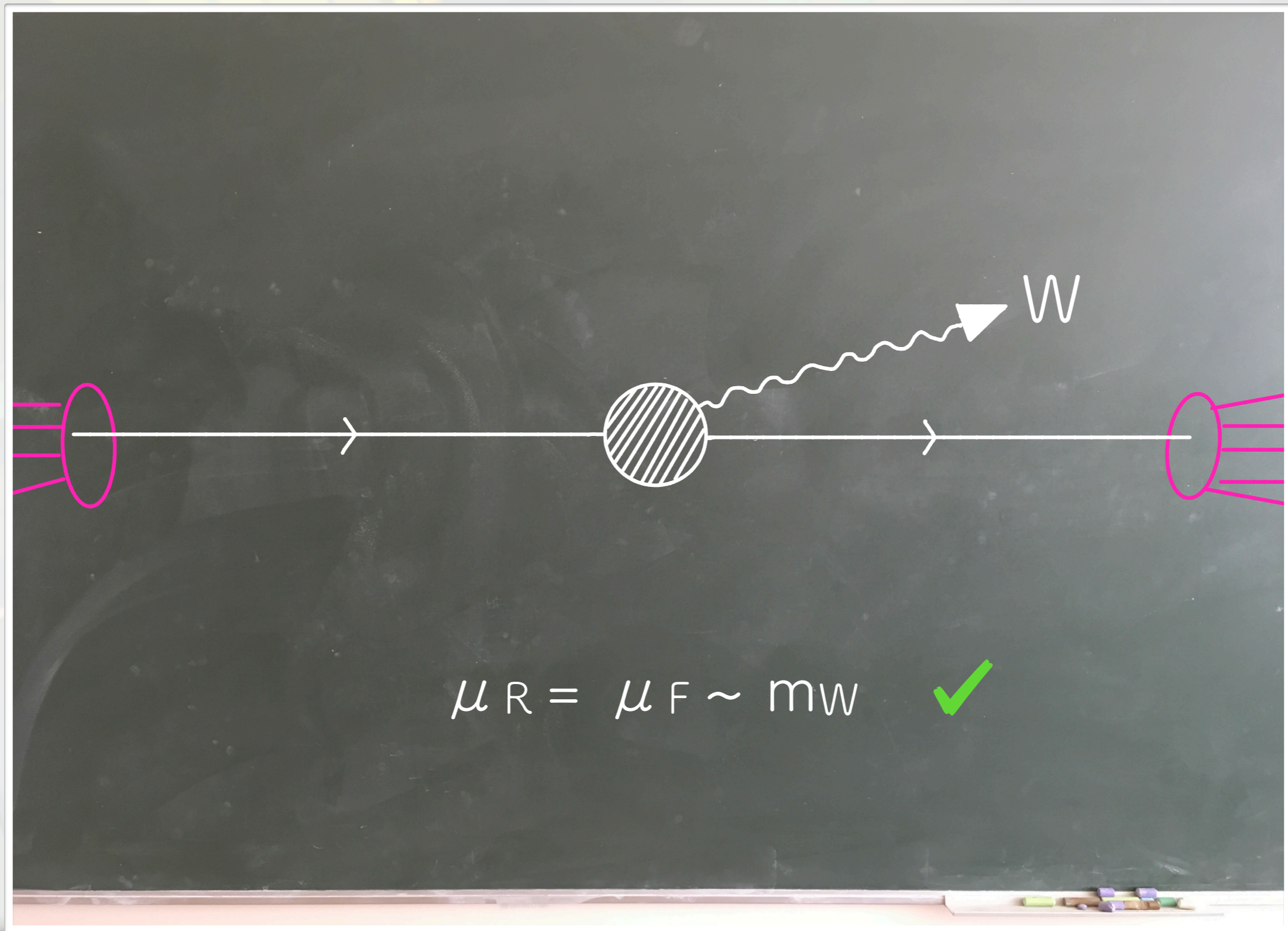
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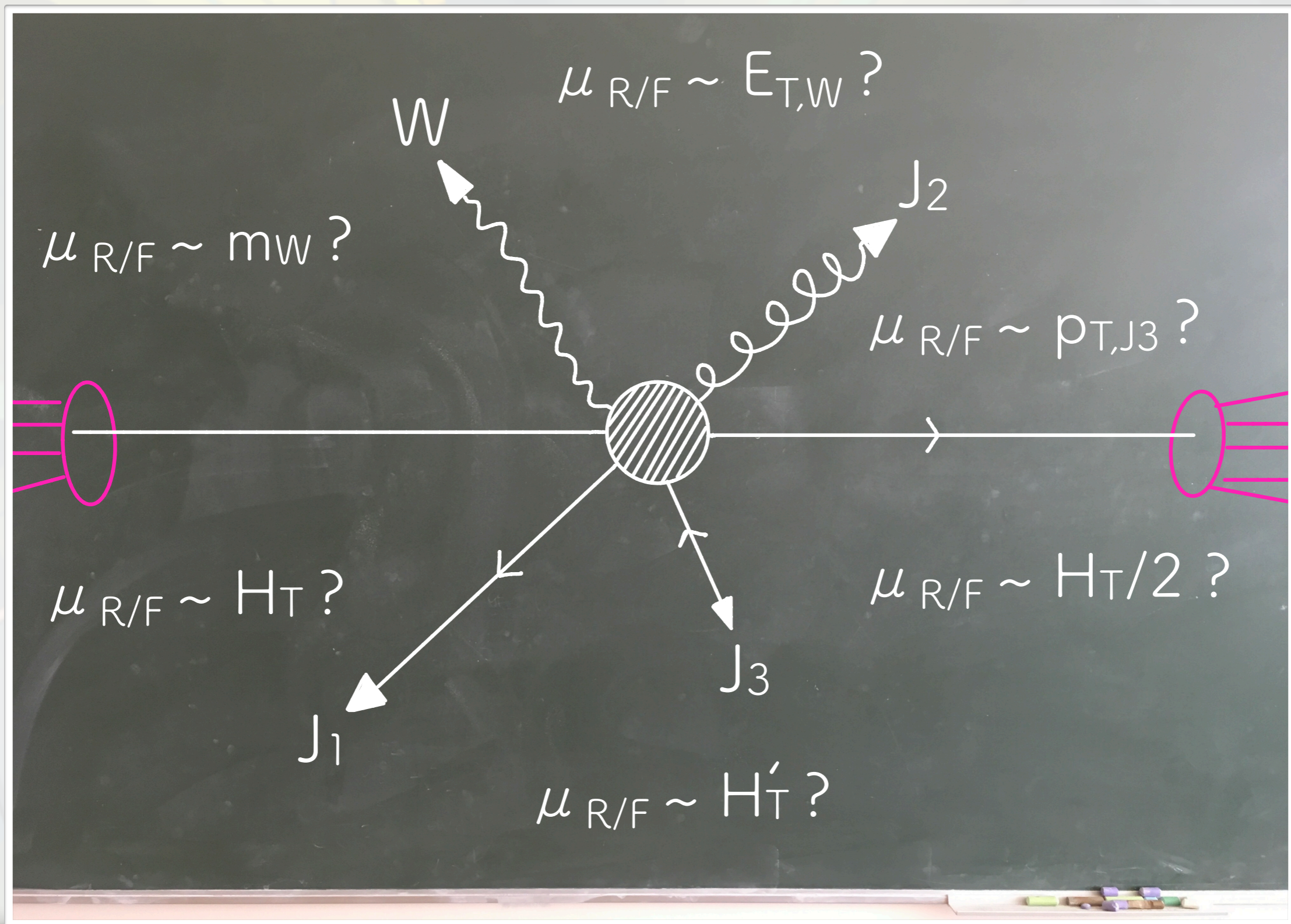
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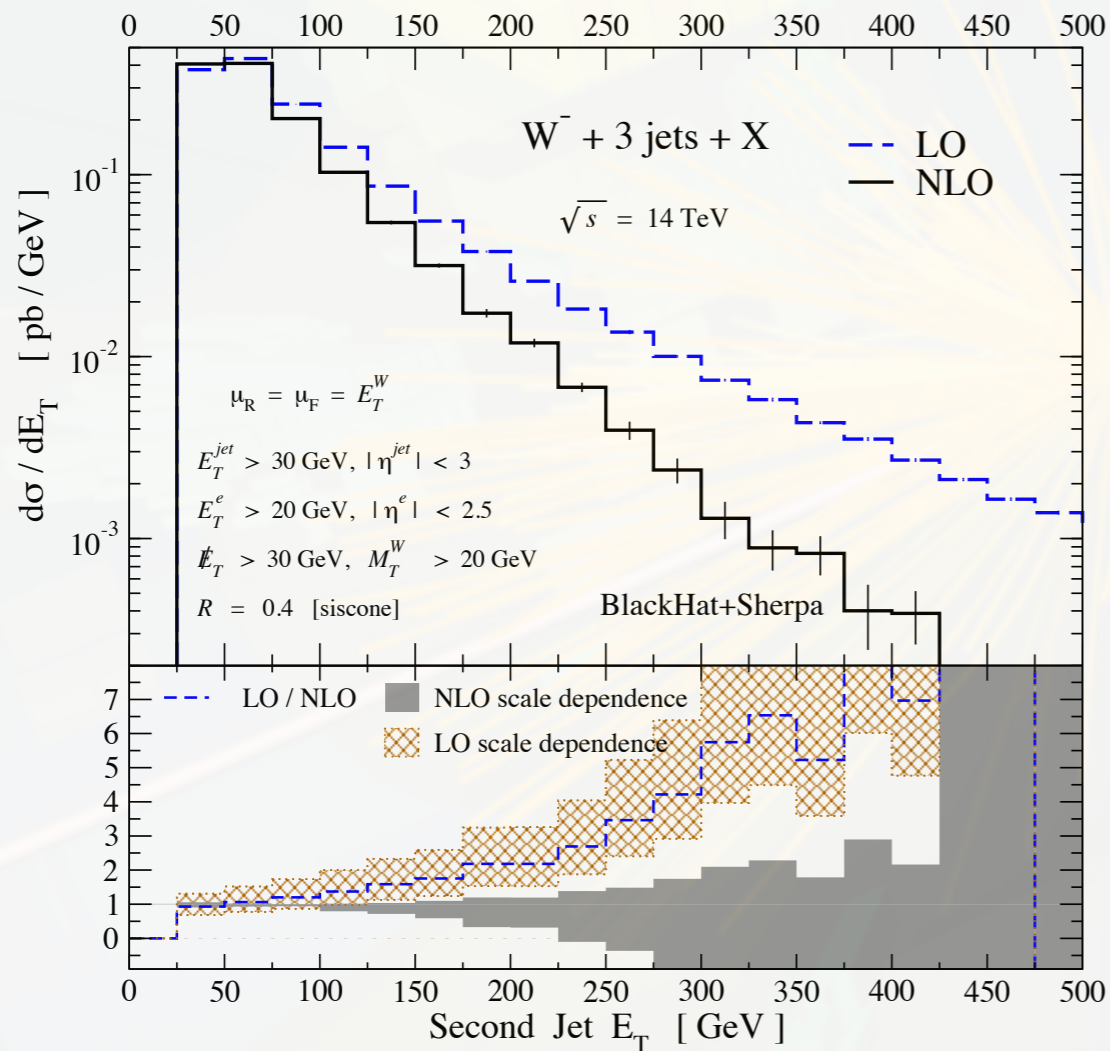
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- In procs with more jets, i.e. more scales, it's hard to know what to do

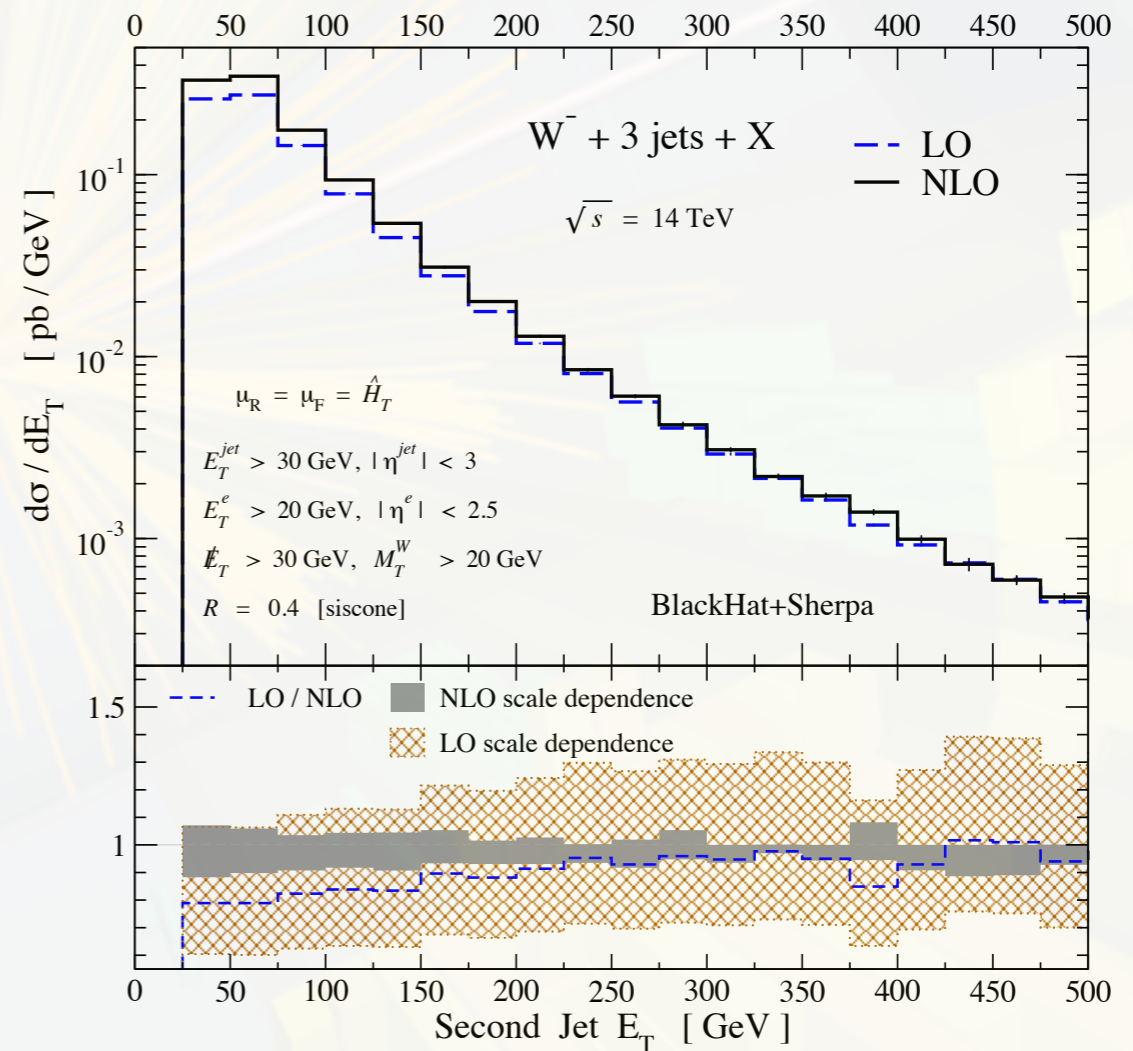


Q2: what if there are many scales to choose from?

- BSM background: $W+3$ jets [3 jets = 3 αs 's]
- BlackHat paper points out physical distⁿs can go -ve for $\mu_R = \mu_F = E_{T,W}$



$$\mu_R = \mu_F = E_{T,W}$$

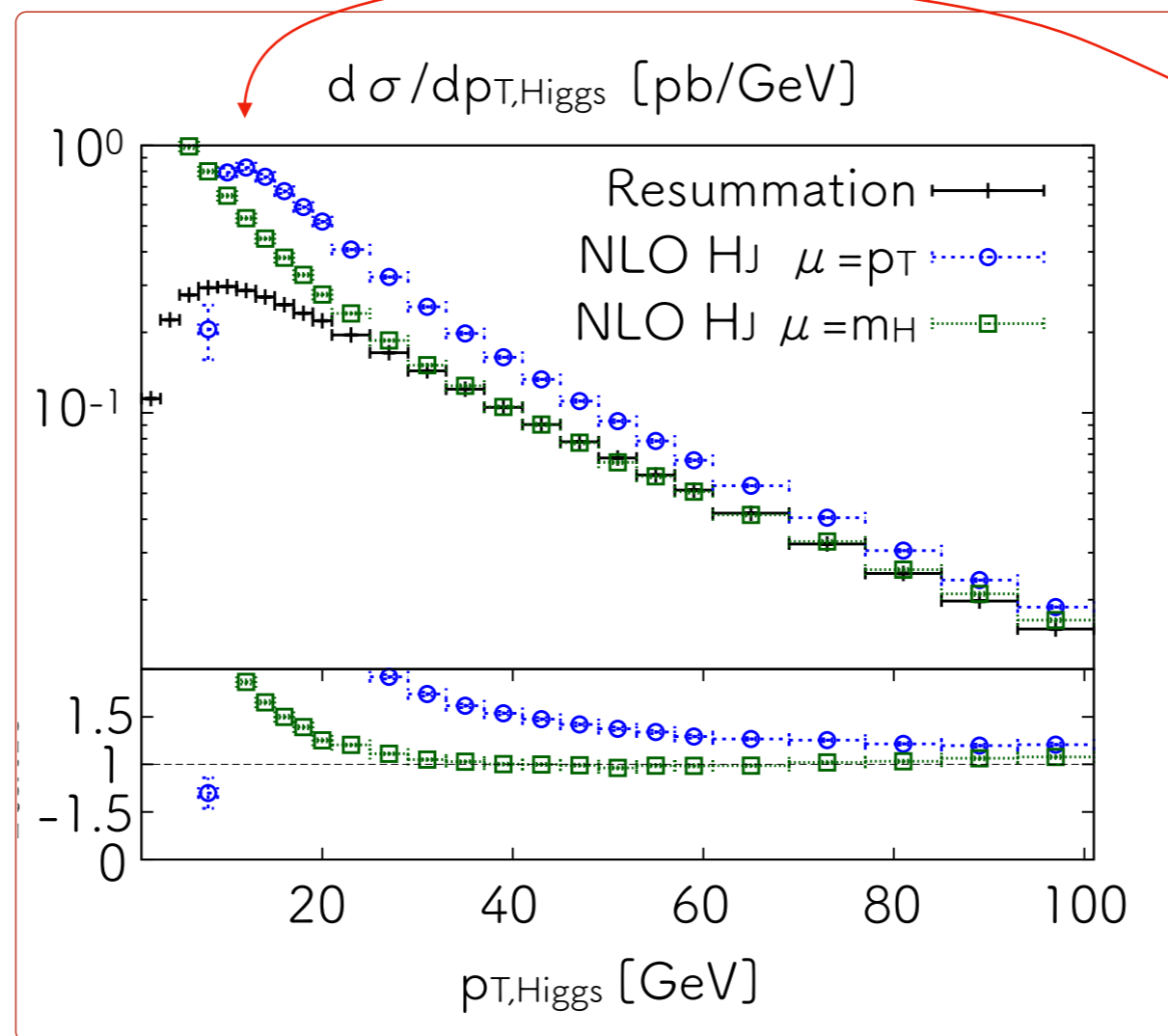


$$\mu_R = \mu_F = \hat{H}_T$$

- For sufficiently poor choices [of scales] large logs can appear in some distributions, invalidating even an NLO prediction — BlackHat collaboration

Q3: if worrying about scale logs why not other large logs?

- Residual scale dependence of NLO calcⁿs goes as $\sim \alpha_S^n \log^n \frac{\mu_R^2}{Q^2}$ [n≥2]
- But often have situations where NNLO etc corrⁿs go as $\sim \alpha_S^n \log^{2n} \frac{Q^2}{p_T^2}$ [n≥2]



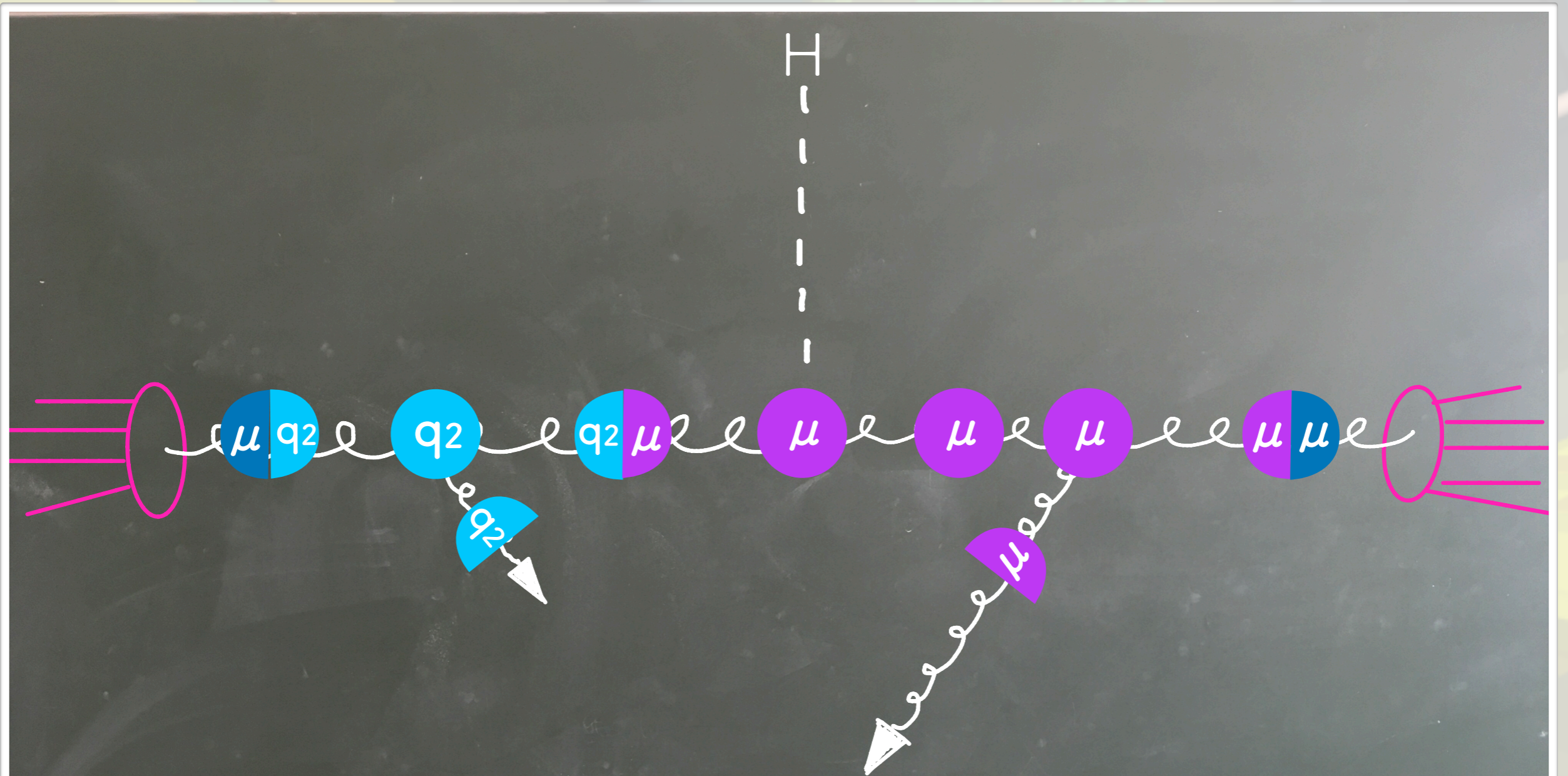
- Is it reasonable to worry about single log terms beyond NLO & not also worry about IR Sudakov double logs?

MiNLO: Multi-scale improved Next-to-leading Order

Nason, Zanderighi, KH

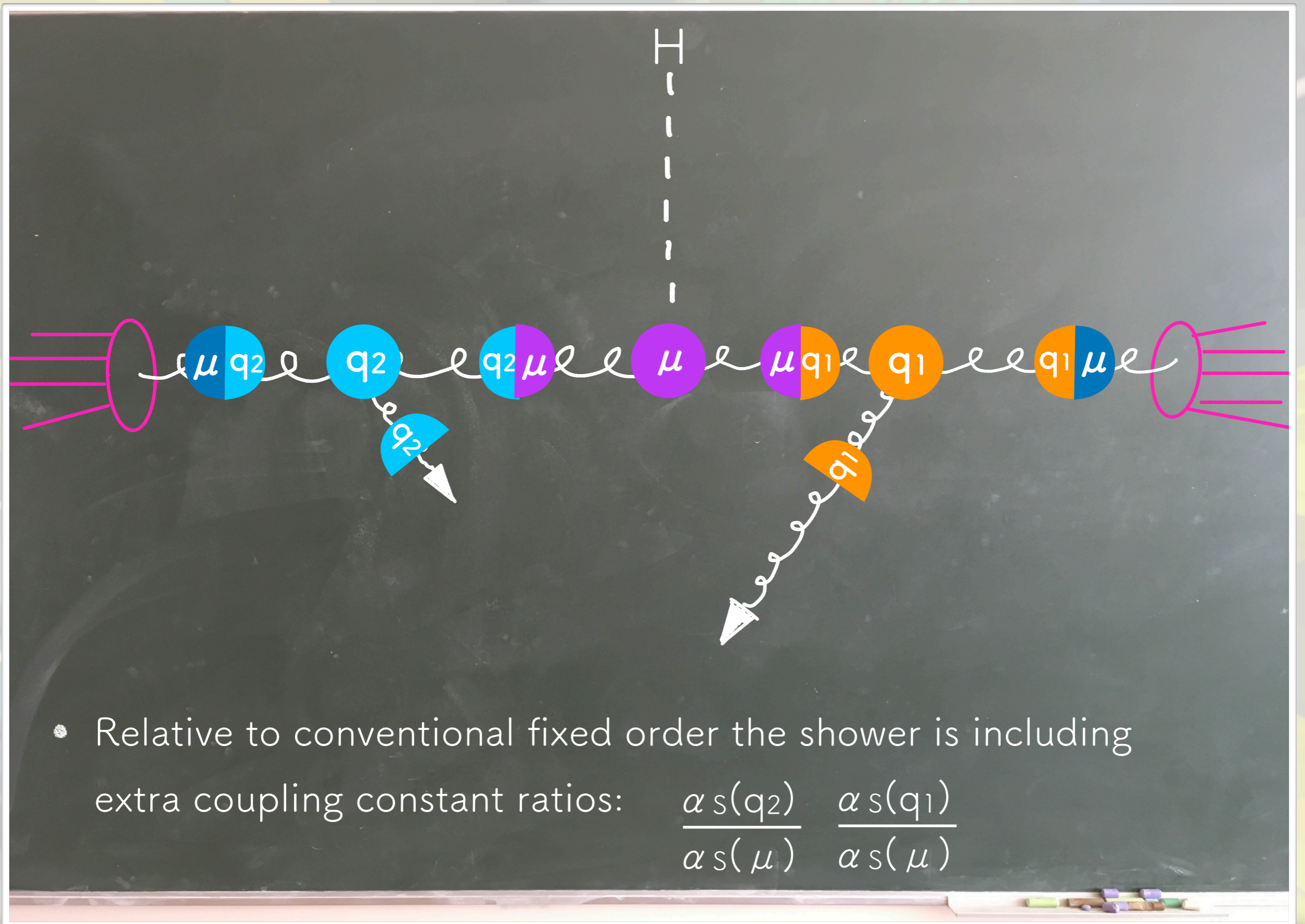
- In a nutshell:
 - Determine the parton shower branching history associated with the kinematic configs in the NLO events in the x -secⁿ integrals.
 - Take **all-orders rad corrⁿs** that the shower would associate to such configs, as in CKKW*, and **match** them with the exact NLO corrⁿs
 - Addressing questions / objections of last few slides:
 - A1: small/moderate NLO corrⁿs/scale sensitivity isn't a consideration
 - A2: PS have natural uniquely defined scale setting for multi-scale probs
 - A3: PS resum large IR double logs as well as single scale logs
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- Catani, Krauss, Kuhn, Webber

Example: H+2 jets MiNLO at leading order with a big brush

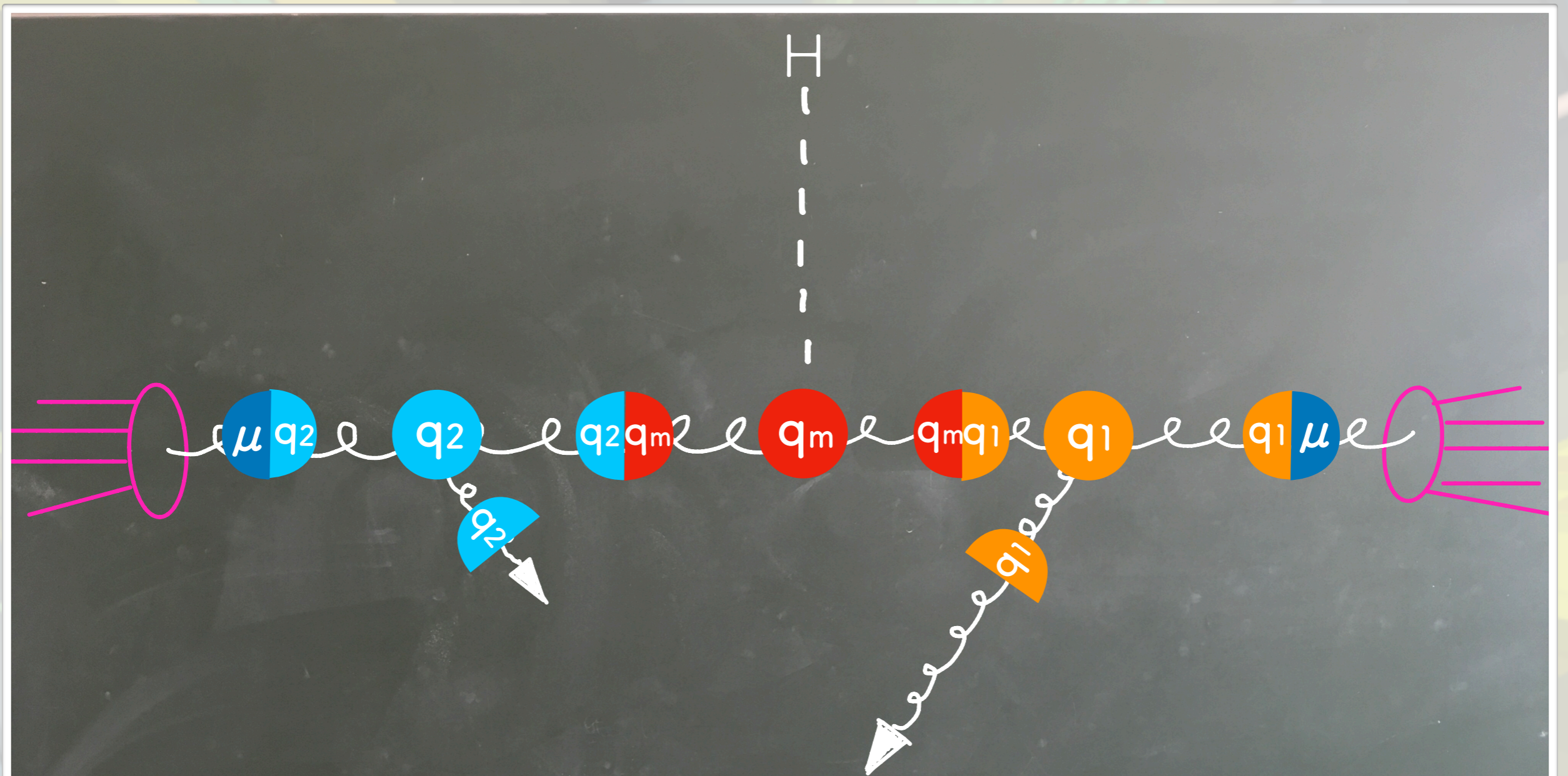


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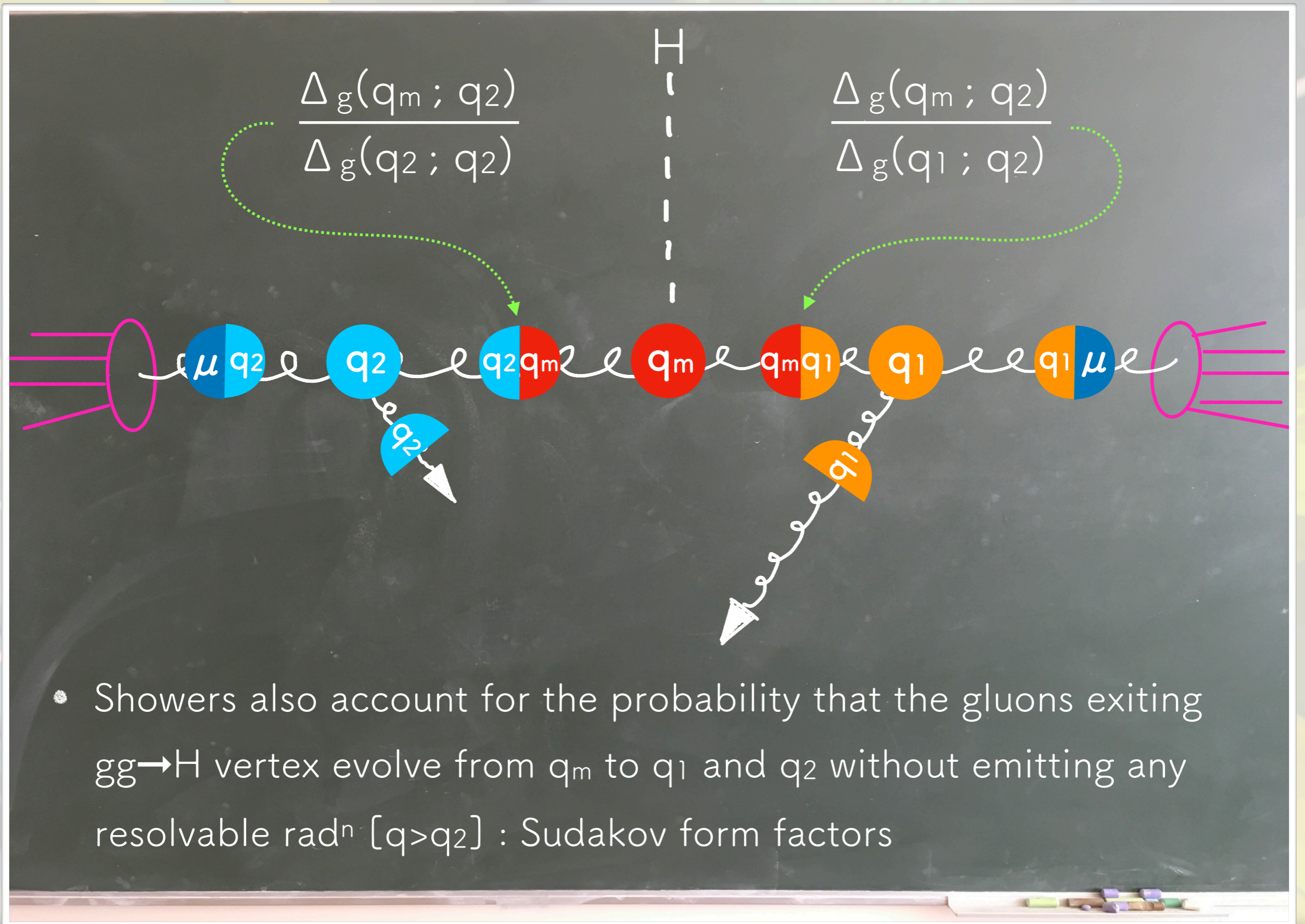


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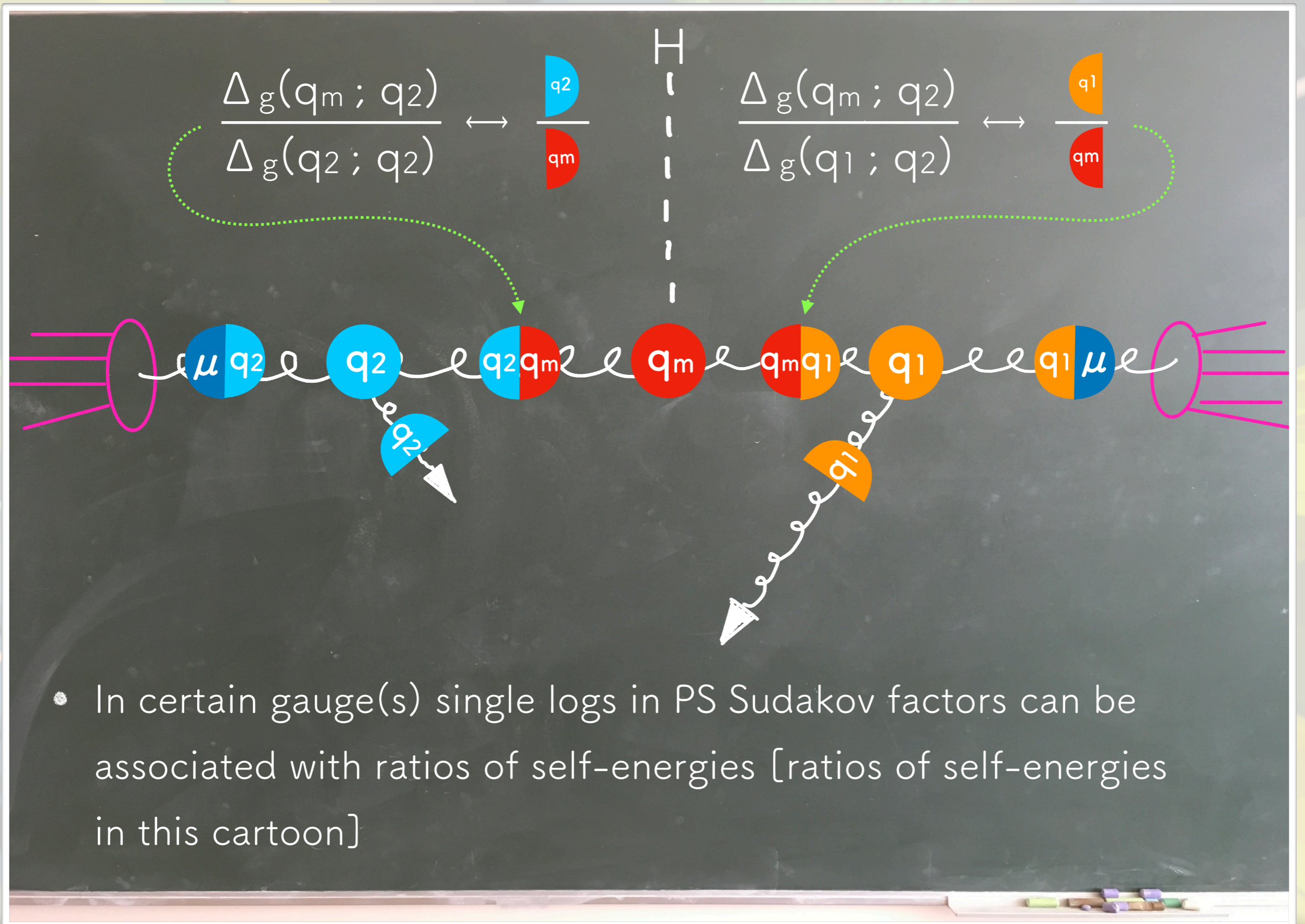


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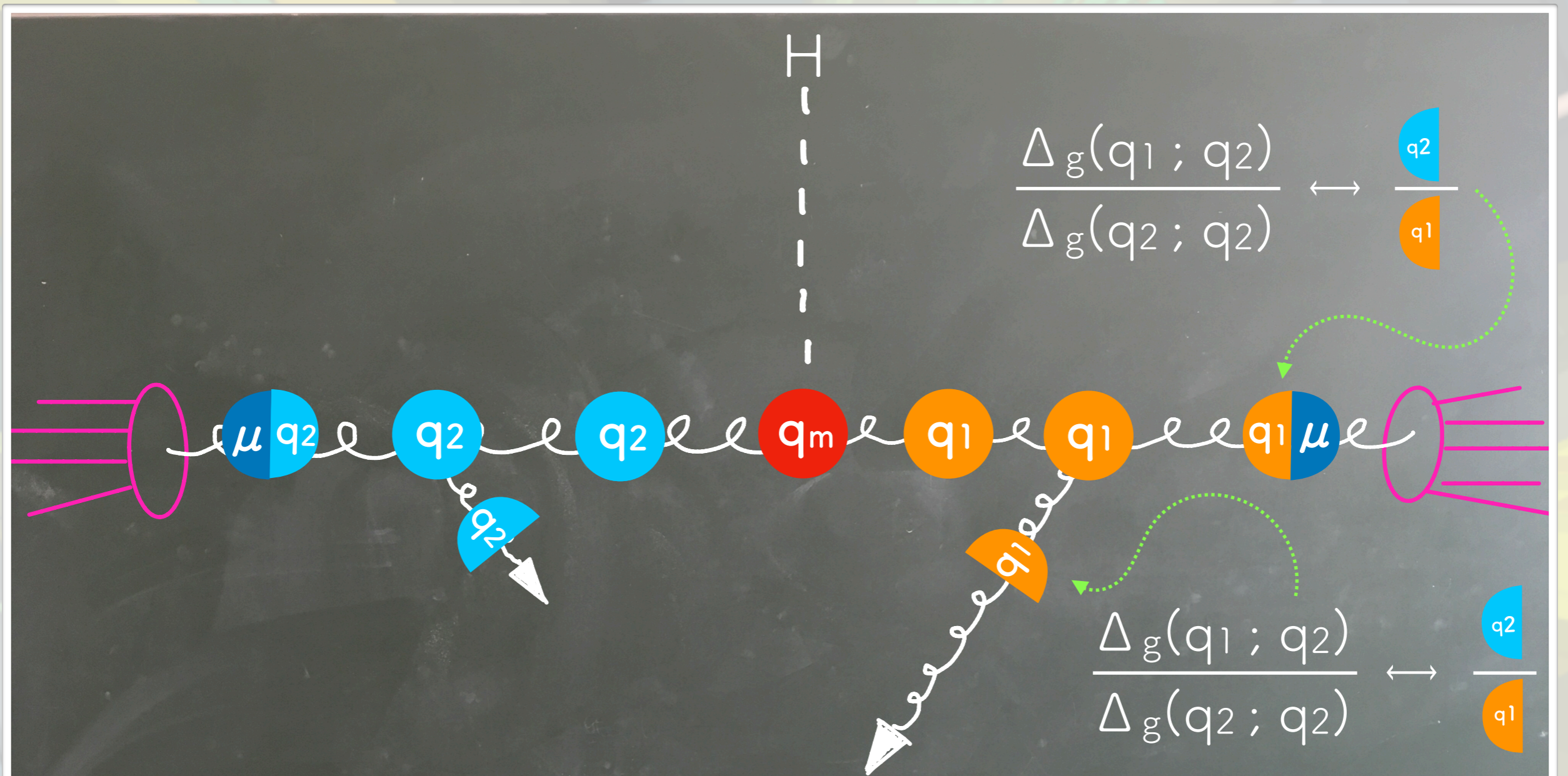
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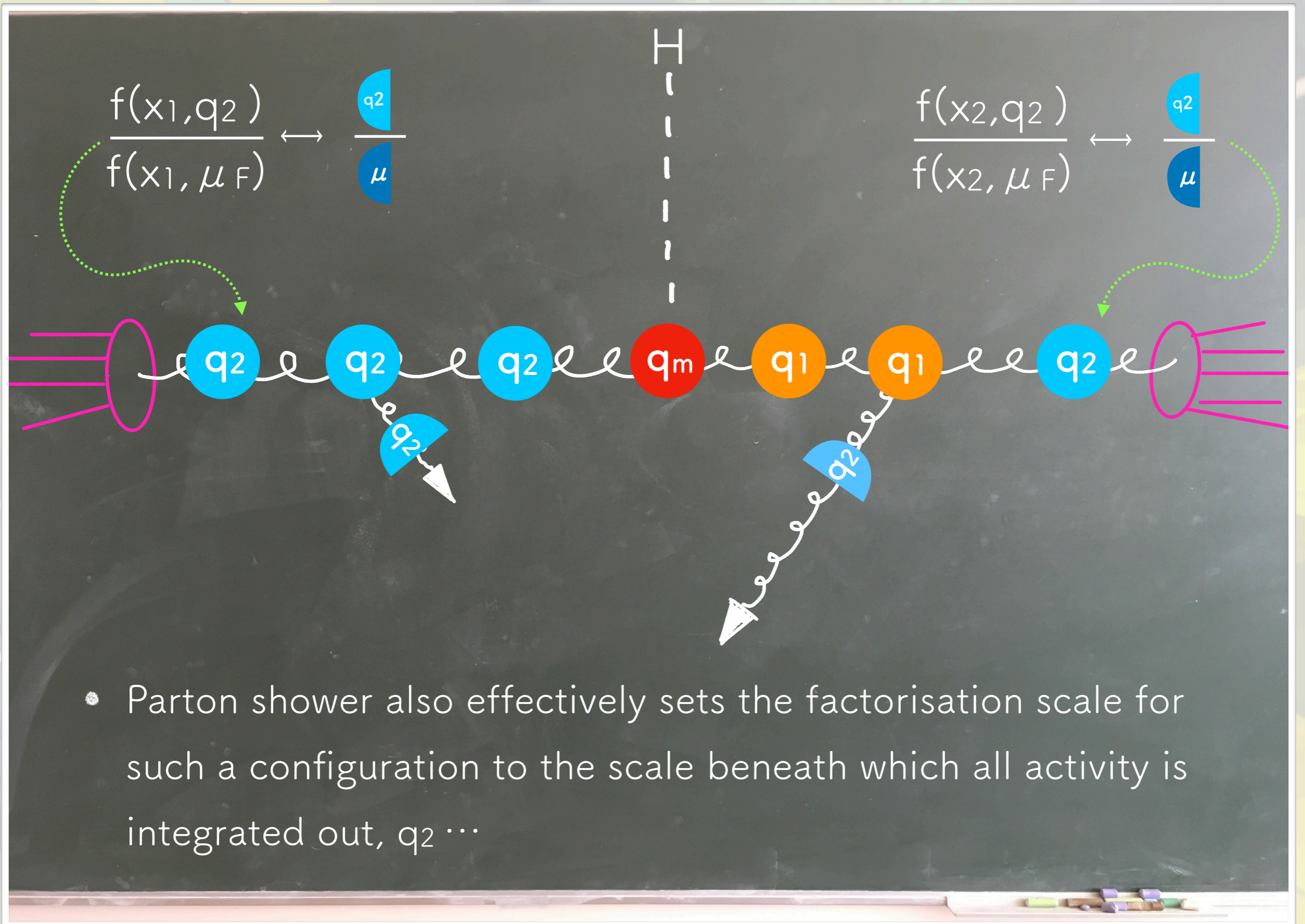


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- Since we integrate over all activity occurring below q_2 Sudakov factors are also needed to account for any external legs produced above q_2 evolving down to q_2

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$$d\sigma_{HJJ}^{\text{LO}} = dx_1 dx_2 d\Phi_{HJJ} f_{h_1}(x_1, \mu_F) f_{h_2}(x_2, \mu_F) \frac{1}{2\hat{s}} M(\Phi_{HJJ}, \mu_R)$$

LO terms $\approx O(\alpha_s^4)$

$$d\sigma_{HJJ}^{\text{P.S.}} = dx_1 dx_2 d\Phi_{HJJ} f_{h_1}(x_1, \mu_F) f_{h_2}(x_2, \mu_F) \frac{1}{2\hat{s}} M^{\text{P.S.}}(\Phi_{HJJ})$$

$$\times \frac{\alpha_s(q_2)}{\alpha_s(\mu)} \cdot \frac{\alpha_s(q_1)}{\alpha_s(\mu)} \cdot \frac{\alpha_s^2(q_m)}{\alpha_s^2(\mu)}$$

$$\times \frac{\Delta_g(q_m; q_2)}{\Delta_g(q_2; q_2)} \cdot \dots \cdot \frac{\Delta_g(q_1; q_2)}{\Delta_g(q_2; q_2)}$$

$$\times \frac{f(x_1, q_2)}{f(x_1, \mu_F)} \cdot \frac{f(x_2, q_2)}{f(x_2, \mu_F)}$$

Beyond LO corrections

$$\sim 1 + O(\alpha_s) + \dots$$

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LO terms = $O(\alpha_s^4)$

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=

$$\frac{d\sigma_{HJJ}^{\text{P.S.}}}{\left[d\sigma_{HJJ}^{\text{P.S.}} \right]_{\text{LO}}}$$

Example: H+2 jets MiNLO at leading order with a big brush

$$d\sigma_{HJJ}^{\text{LO}} = dx_1 dx_2 d\Phi_{HJJ} f_{h_1}(x_1, \mu_F) f_{h_2}(x_2, \mu_F) \frac{1}{2\hat{s}} \mathcal{M}(\Phi_{HJJ}, \mu_R)$$

$$d\sigma_{HJJ}^{\text{MiLO}} \equiv d\sigma_{HJJ}^{\text{LO}} \times \frac{d\sigma_{HJJ}^{\text{P.S.}}}{\left[d\sigma_{HJJ}^{\text{P.S.}} \right]_{\text{LO}}}$$

$$= d\sigma_{HJJ}^{\text{LO}} \times \frac{\alpha_s(q_2)}{\alpha_s(\mu)} \cdot \frac{\alpha_s(q_1)}{\alpha_s(\mu)} \cdot \frac{\alpha_s^2(q_m)}{\alpha_s^2(\mu)}$$

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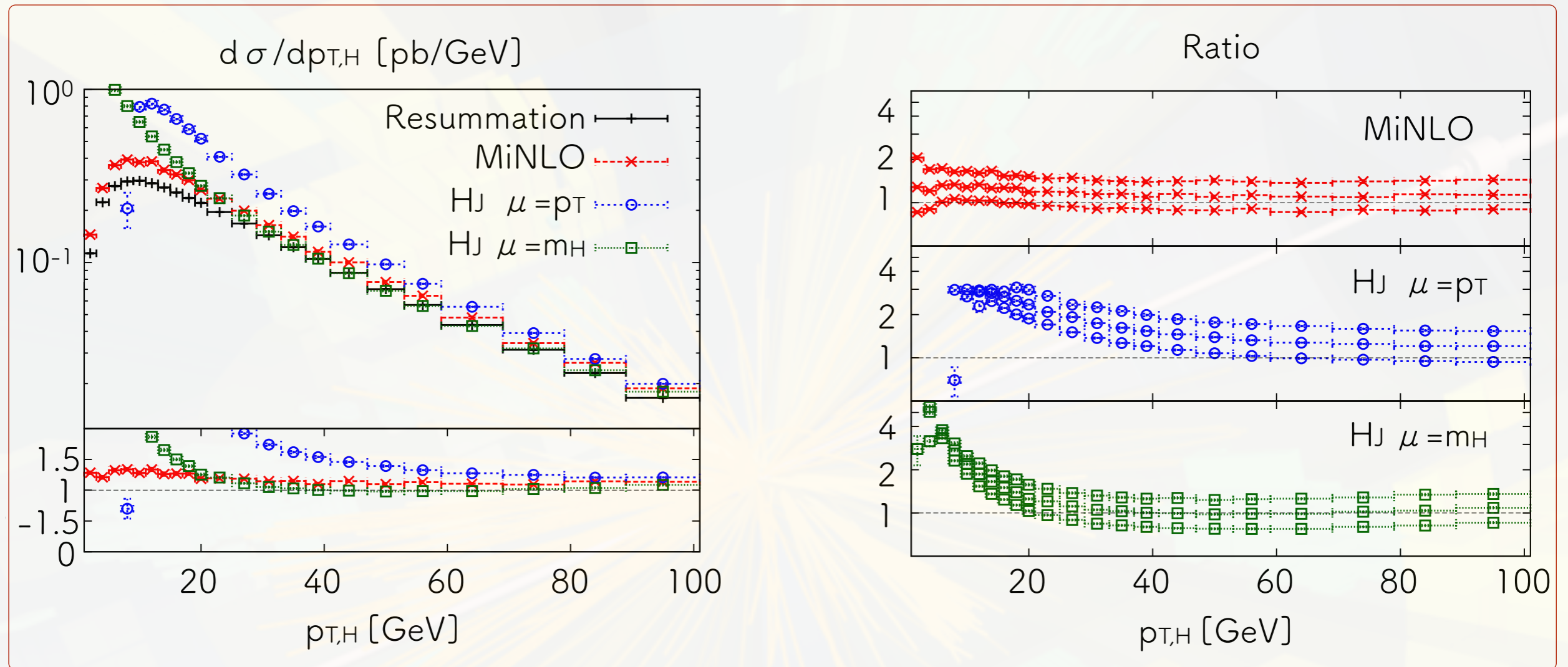
Example: H+2 jets MiNLO at next-to-leading order

- To extend from LO 'MiLO' example to NLO apply the same all orders shower corrⁿs to the conventional NLO HJJ computation

$$d\sigma_{HJJ}^{\text{MiNLO}} \equiv d\sigma_{HJJ}^{\text{NLO}} \times \frac{d\sigma_{HJJ}^{\text{P.S.}}}{\left[d\sigma_{HJJ}^{\text{P.S.}} \right]_{\text{LO}}}$$
$$- d\sigma_{HJJ}^{\text{LO}} \times \left[\frac{d\sigma_{HJJ}^{\text{P.S.}}}{\left[d\sigma_{HJJ}^{\text{P.S.}} \right]_{\text{LO}}} \right]_{\alpha_s\text{-term only}} \times \frac{d\sigma_{HJJ}^{\text{P.S.}}}{\left[d\sigma_{HJJ}^{\text{P.S.}} \right]_{\text{LO}}}$$

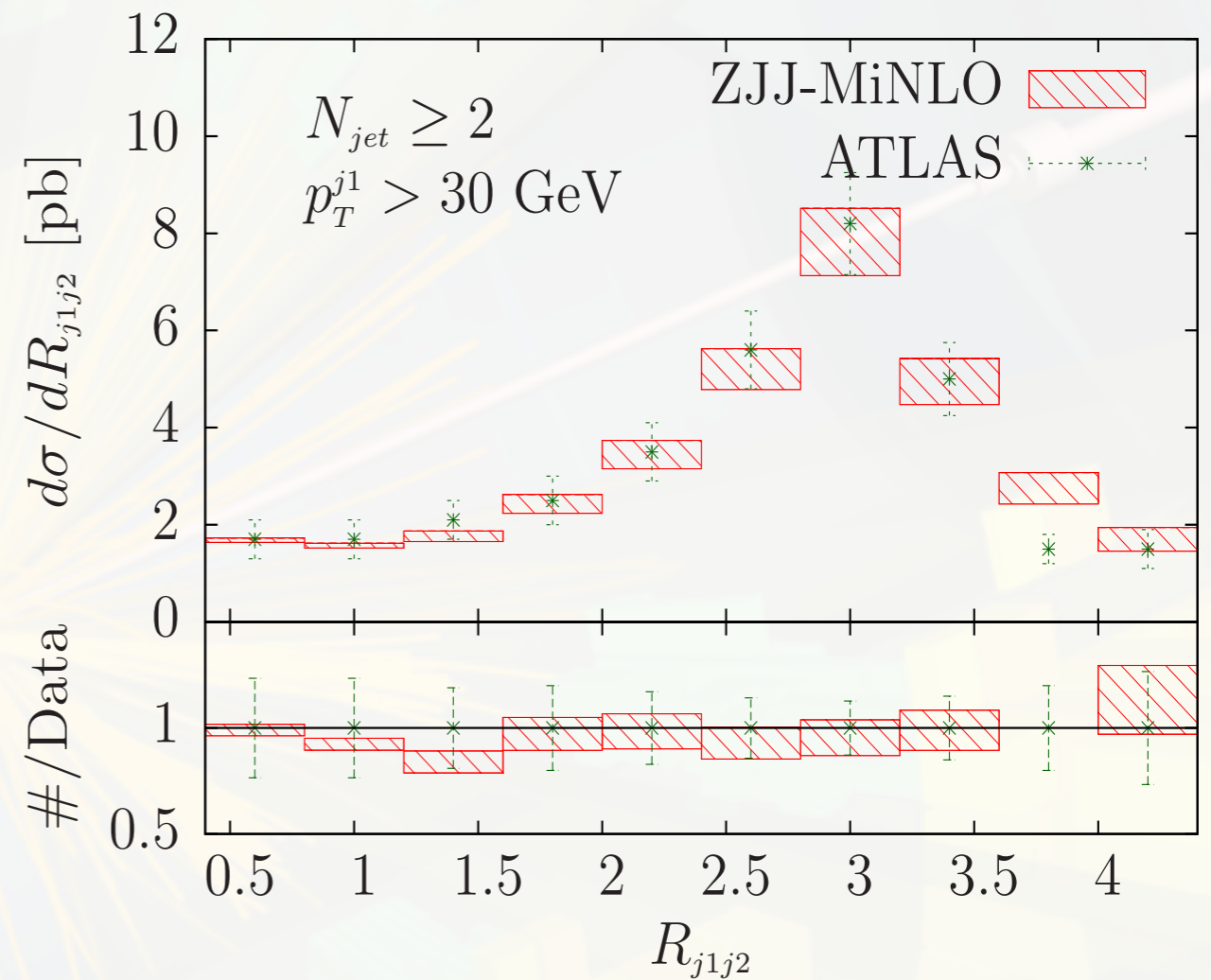
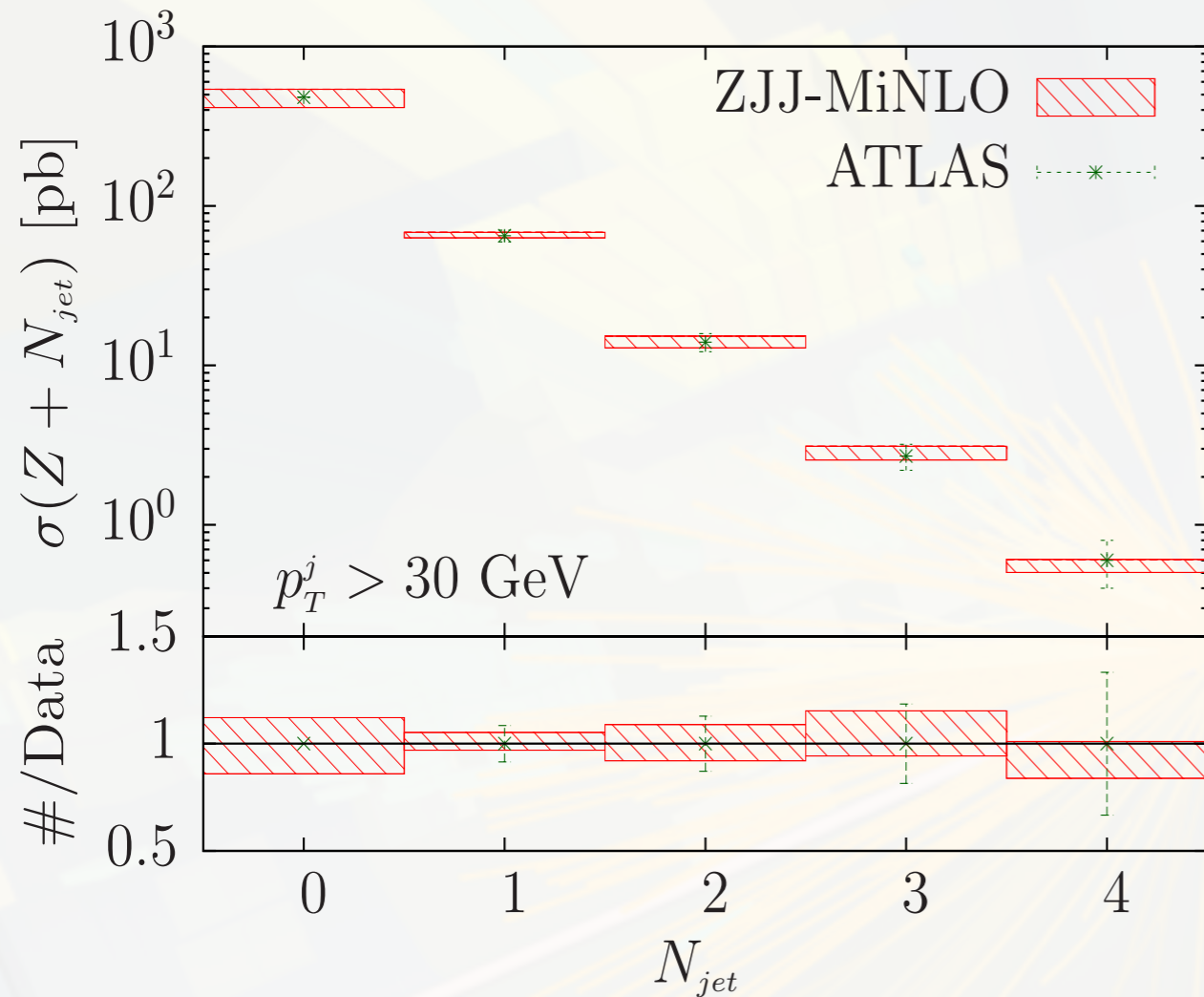
- And subtract a term to render the expansion in α_s unchanged to NLO

Application: H+1 jet MiNLO at next-to-leading order



- Resummation matched to NLO inclusive $gg \rightarrow H + \text{sec}^n$ [$\equiv 1$ in ratios]
- **HJ RUN**: NLO H + 1 jet with $\mu_R = \mu_F = p_{T,H}$
- **HJ FXD**: NLO H + 1 jet with $\mu_R = \mu_F = M_H$
- **HJ-MiNLO** \rightarrow conventional NLO H + 1 jet at high p_T
- **HJ-MiNLO** \rightarrow resummation result at low p_T
- **HJ-MiNLO** \rightarrow sensible scale unc. band [doesn't shrink as $p_T \rightarrow 0$]

Application: Z+2 jet MiNLO \oplus Pythia vs ATLAS



- Left: improves Z + 2 NLO s.t. gives even predictⁿ for ≥ 0 jet evts!
- Right: NLO accuracy retained [& improved] for ≥ 2 jet events
- Equally nice improvement & agreement for ATLAS W+jets data

[Campbell, Ellis, Nason, Zanderighi]

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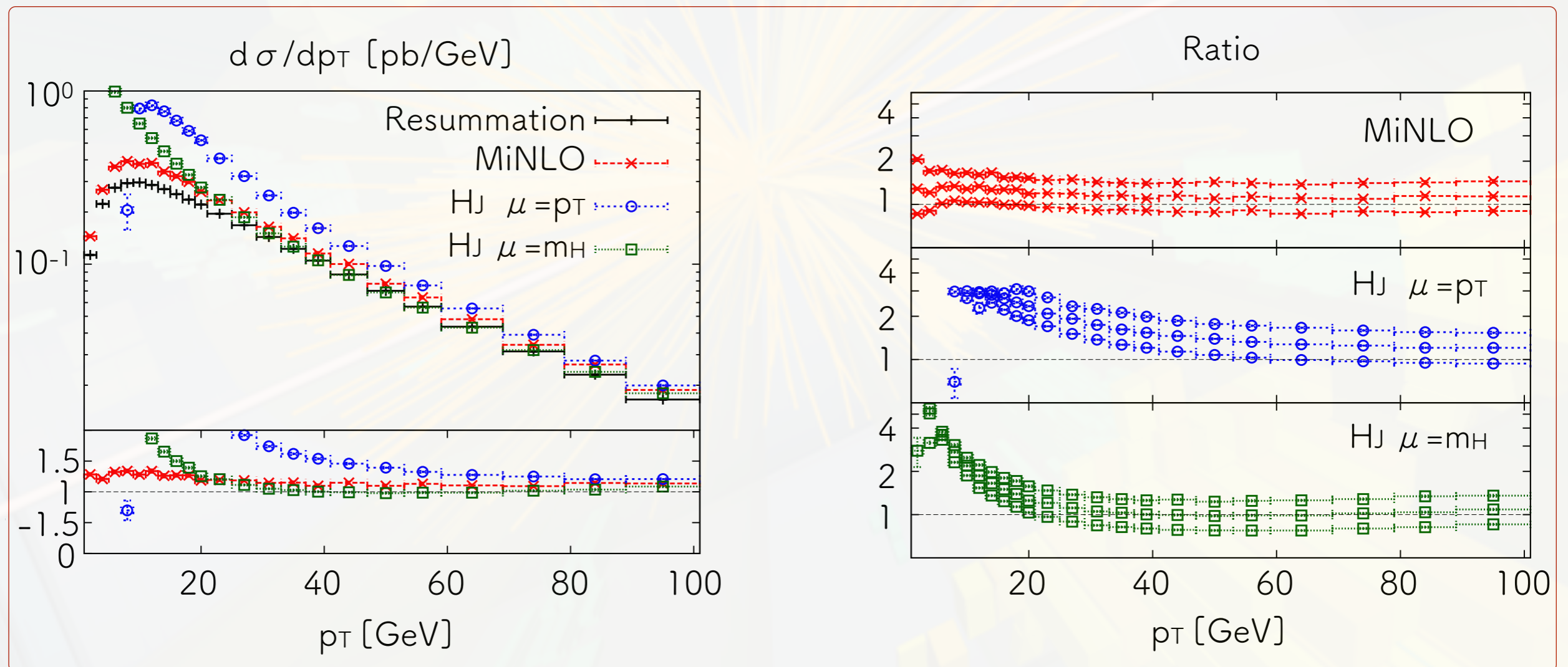
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MiNLO' for H+1-jet

- MiNLO matches fully differential NLO to LL [NLL $_{\sigma}$] resummation
- MiNLO finite in all ph.space: no need of gen. cuts



Question: what's MiNLO accuracy for inclusive quantities?

MiNLO' for H+1-jet

- H+1-jet spectrum known analytically to high accuracy
- Allows to determine Sudakov s.t. H+1-jet is NLO for H+0-jet

$$\text{MiNLO} \rightarrow \text{MiNLO}'$$

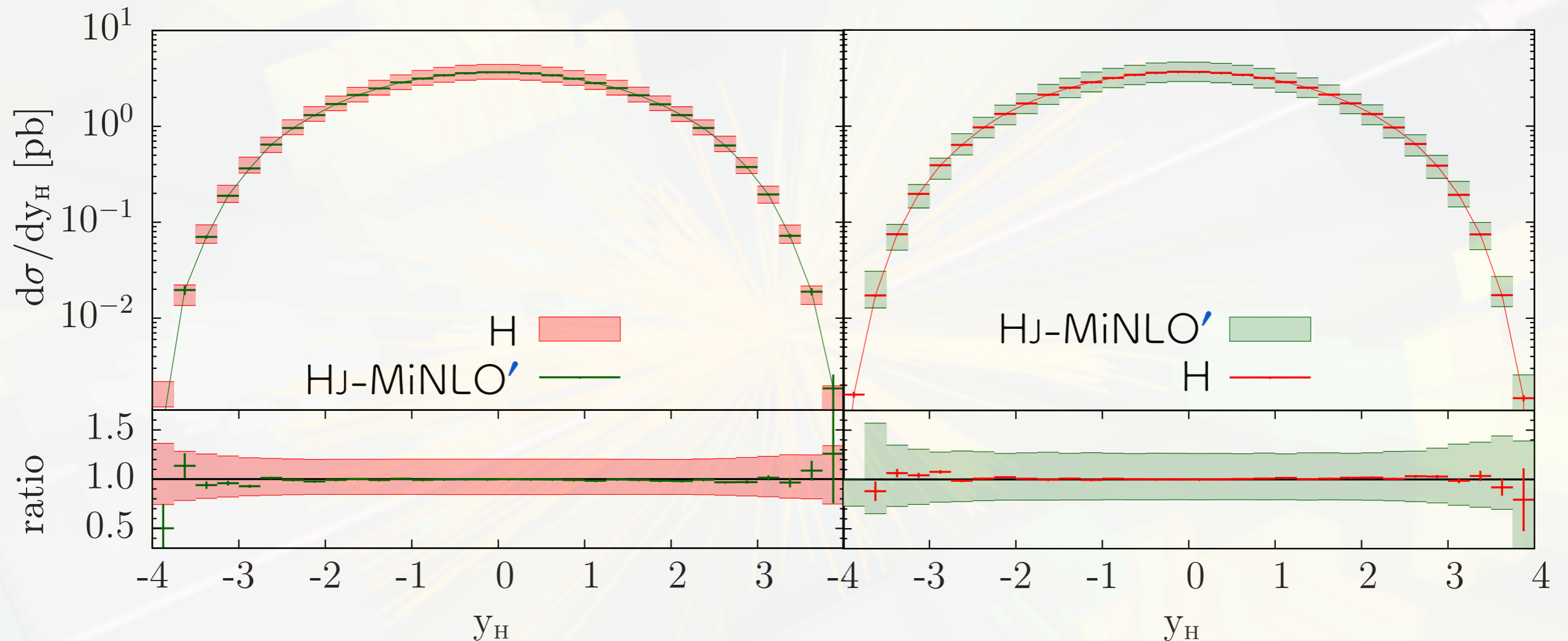
$$\Delta(Q, p_T) \rightarrow \Delta'(Q, p_T) = \Delta(Q, p_T) \delta\Delta(Q, p_T)$$

$$\delta\Delta(Q, p_T) = \exp \left[\int_0^L dL' \bar{\alpha}_S^2(p'_T) \left[\tilde{R}_{21} L' + \tilde{R}_{20} - \bar{\beta}_0 \mathcal{H}_1 \right] \right]$$

$$\frac{d\sigma'_{\mathcal{M}}}{d\Phi} = \int_L \frac{d\sigma'_{\mathcal{R}}}{d\Phi dL} + \int_L \frac{d\sigma_{\mathcal{F}}}{d\Phi dL} = \frac{d\sigma_{\text{NLO}}}{d\Phi}$$

- MiNLO' simultaneously NLO for H & H+1-jet prodⁿ

- Higgs rapidity

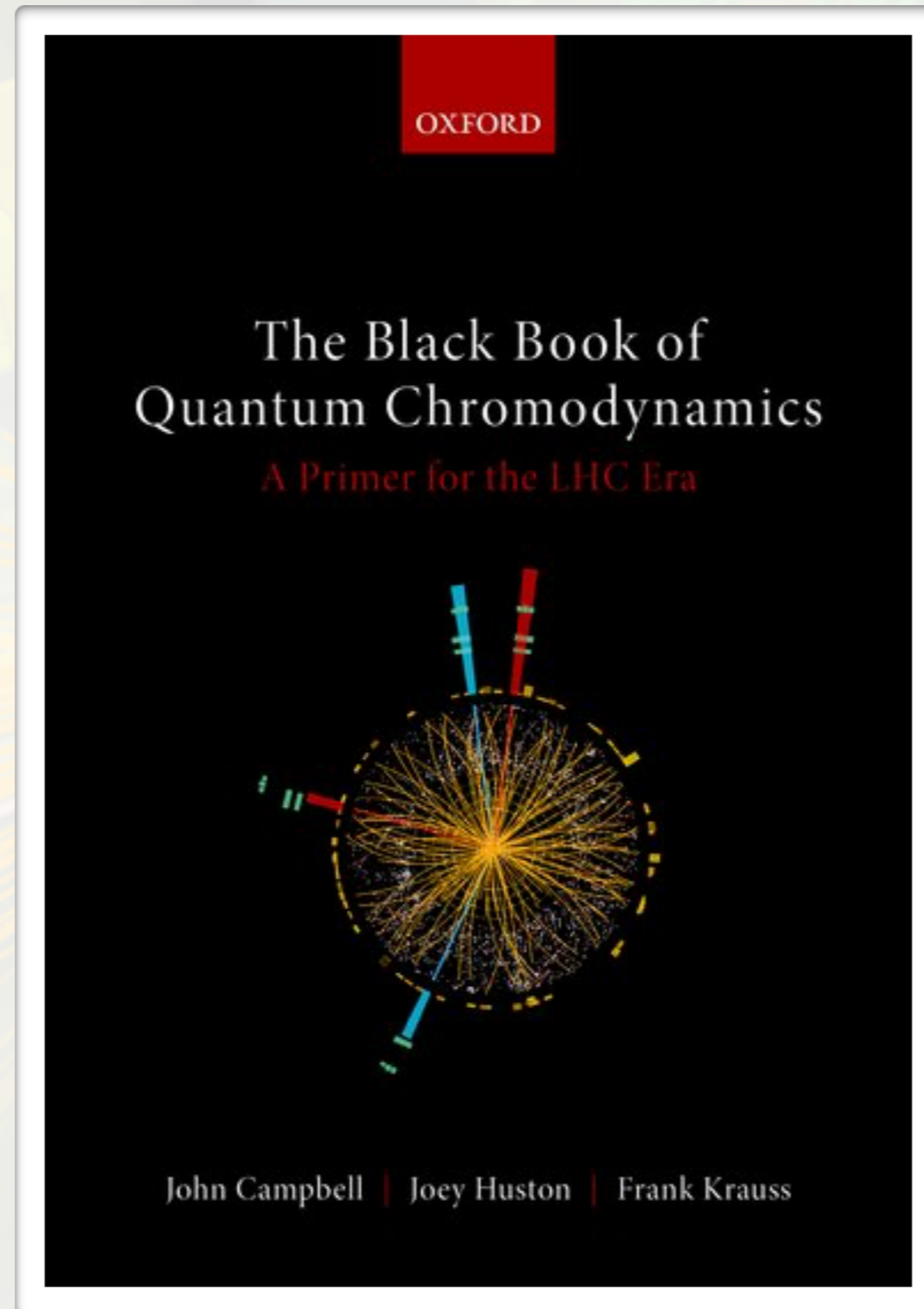


- Conventional NLO H prodⁿ: red
- MiNLO' H+1-jet+parton shower: green
- Agree with each other ~ to within the line thickness

Summary

- Conventional scale setting in complex processes subject to large ambiguities, and lacking physical justifications
- MiNLO is a physically well motivated scale setting for processes with jets: identifies all important scales, treats all coherently
- MiNLO taken up by independent groups: applied in complex processes, used in new NLO merging schemes [e.g. FxFx]
- $\text{MiNLO}' = \text{NLO} \times \text{NLO}$ calcⁿs w.o. merging scales
- MiNLO' extended to (N)NLO \times NLO \times NLO accuracy in H+2 jets

Messages



MiNLO pgs. 394 - 398

Thank you Paolo

