

# HIGH-ENERGY QCD AND DIFFRACTION

## PART II

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# Lecture I Highlights

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based on  $\rightarrow$  **gluon Reggeization**

leading logarithmic approximation (LL):

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$$\mathcal{A} = \underbrace{\text{tree}}_{\sim s} + \left( \text{1-loop} + \text{2-loop} + \dots \right) + \left( \text{3-loop} + \dots \right) + \dots$$

The diagram shows the expansion of the amplitude  $\mathcal{A}$  in terms of Feynman diagrams. The first term is a tree-level diagram with two external lines and a vertical gluon exchange, labeled  $\sim s$ . The second term is a sum of diagrams in parentheses, including a 1-loop diagram with a gluon loop and a 2-loop diagram with a gluon ladder, labeled  $\sim s (\alpha_s \ln s)$ . The third term is another sum in parentheses, including a 3-loop diagram with a gluon ladder, labeled  $\sim s (\alpha_s \ln s)^2$ .

next-to-leading logarithmic approximation (NLL):

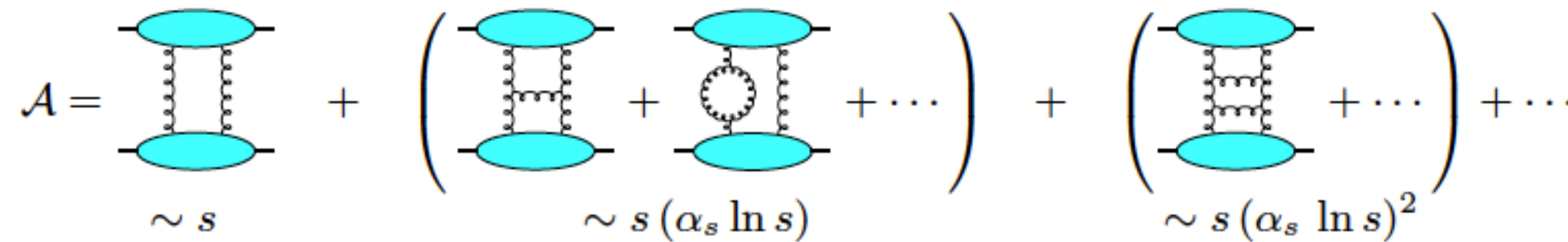
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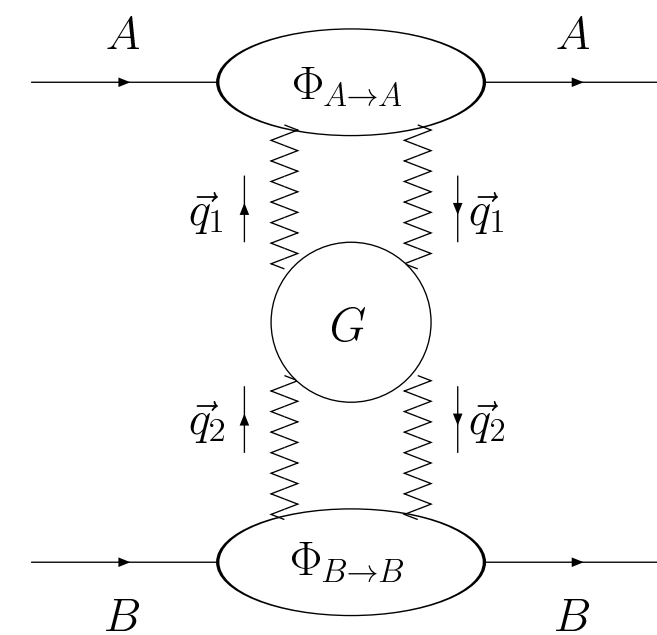
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Total cross section for  $A + B \rightarrow X$ :  $\sigma_{AB}(s) = \frac{\text{Im}_s \{ \mathcal{A}_{AB}^{AB} \}}{s} \Leftarrow$  **optical theorem**



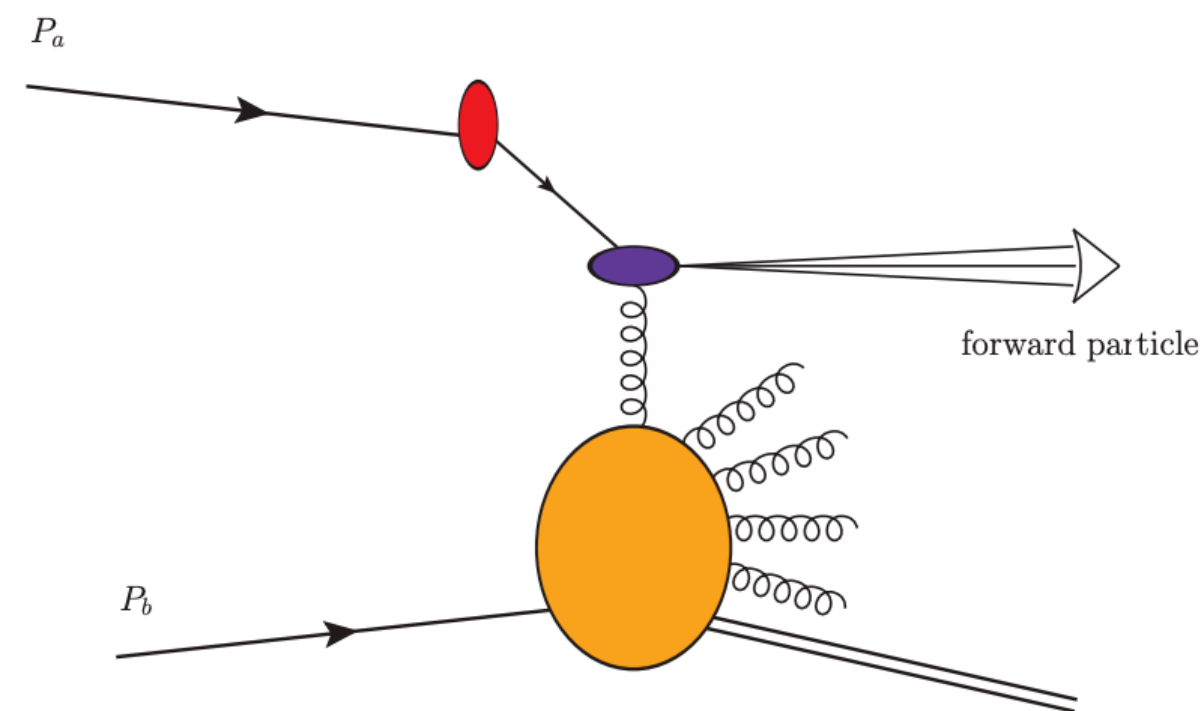
►  $\text{Im}_s \{ \mathcal{A}_{AB}^{AB} \}$  factorization:

convolution of the **Green's function** of two interacting Reggeized gluons with the **impact factors** of the colliding particles

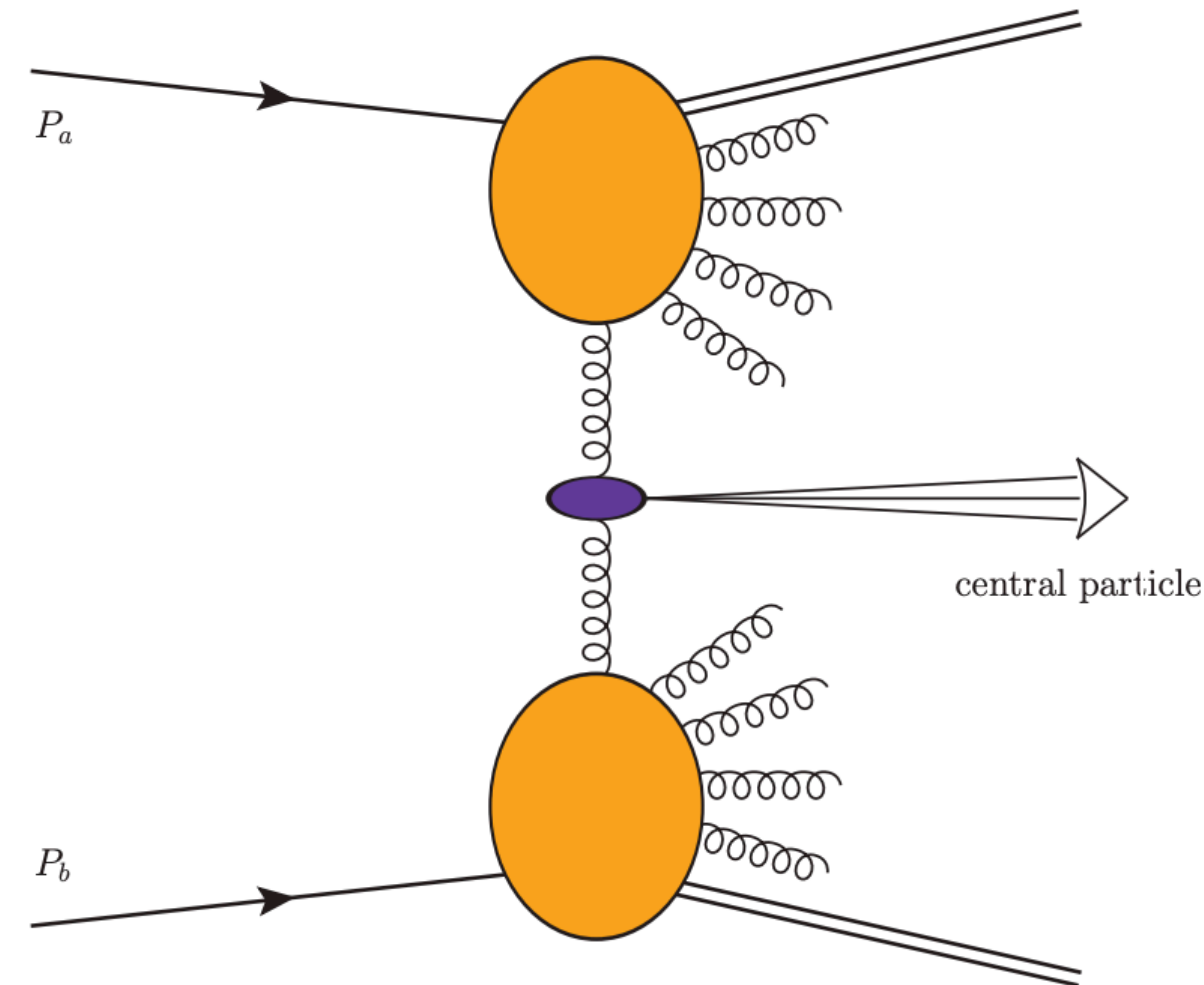
Green's function is **process-independent**, describes energy dependence and obeys BFKL equation; impact factors are known in the **NLL just for few processes**

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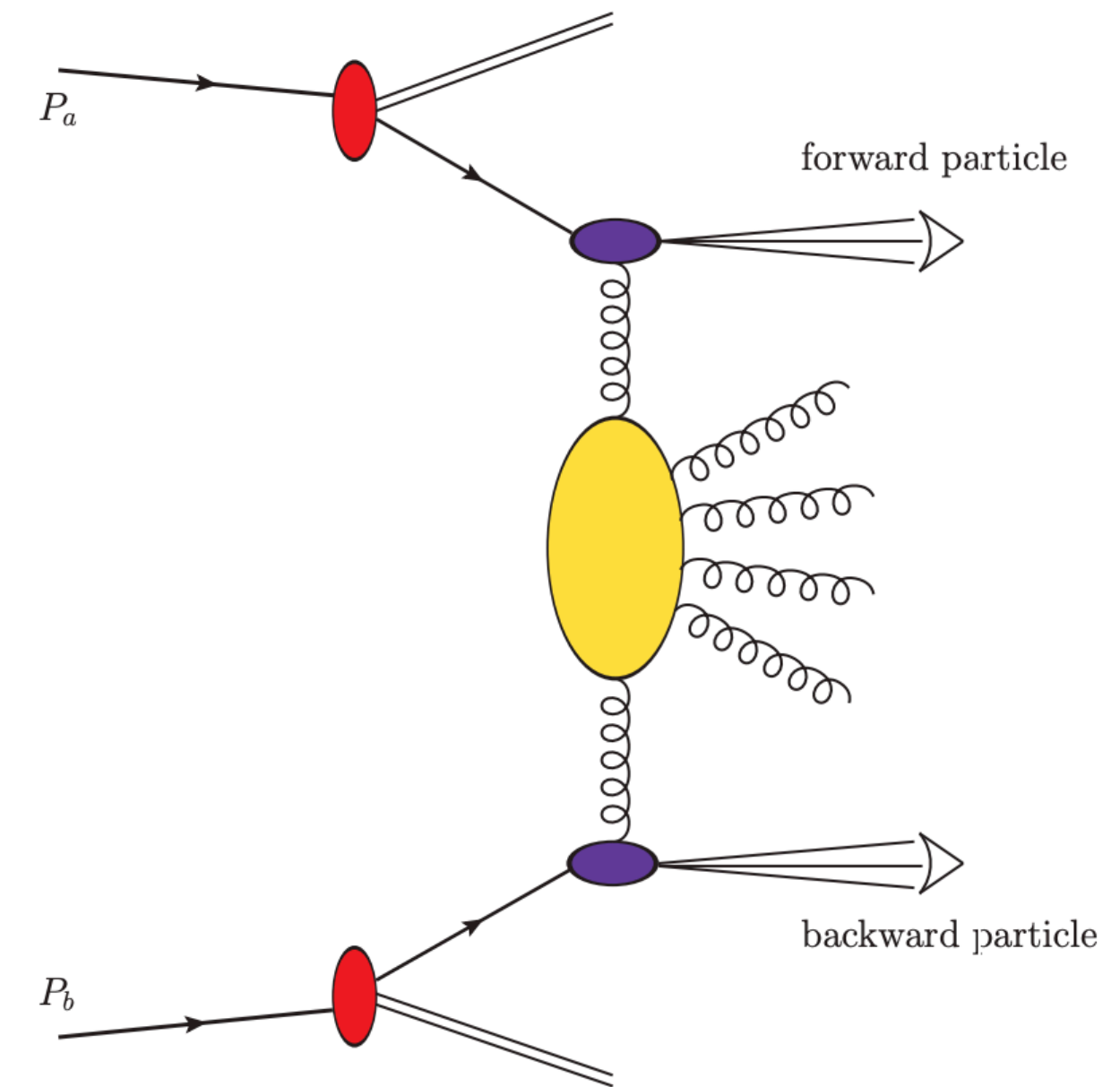
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Forward/central production emission functions



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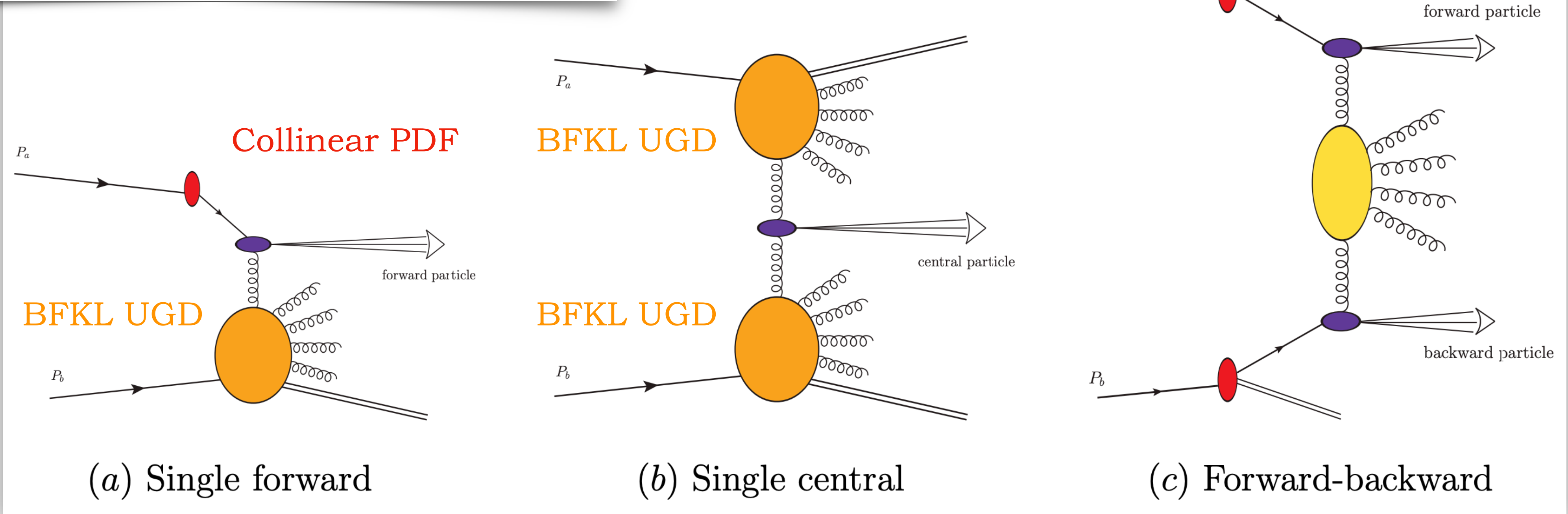
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(c) Forward-backward

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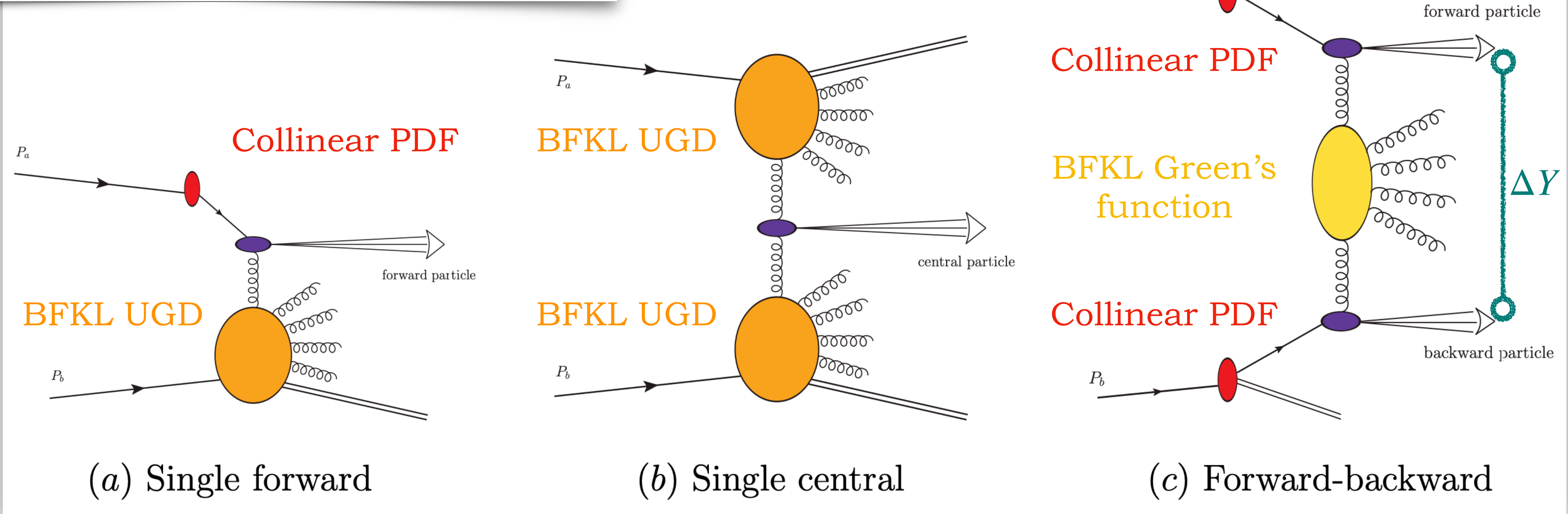
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Large rapidity distances,  $\Delta Y \gg 1$

High energies, moderate  $x$

PDFs + t-channel BFKL (NLL/NLO HyF)

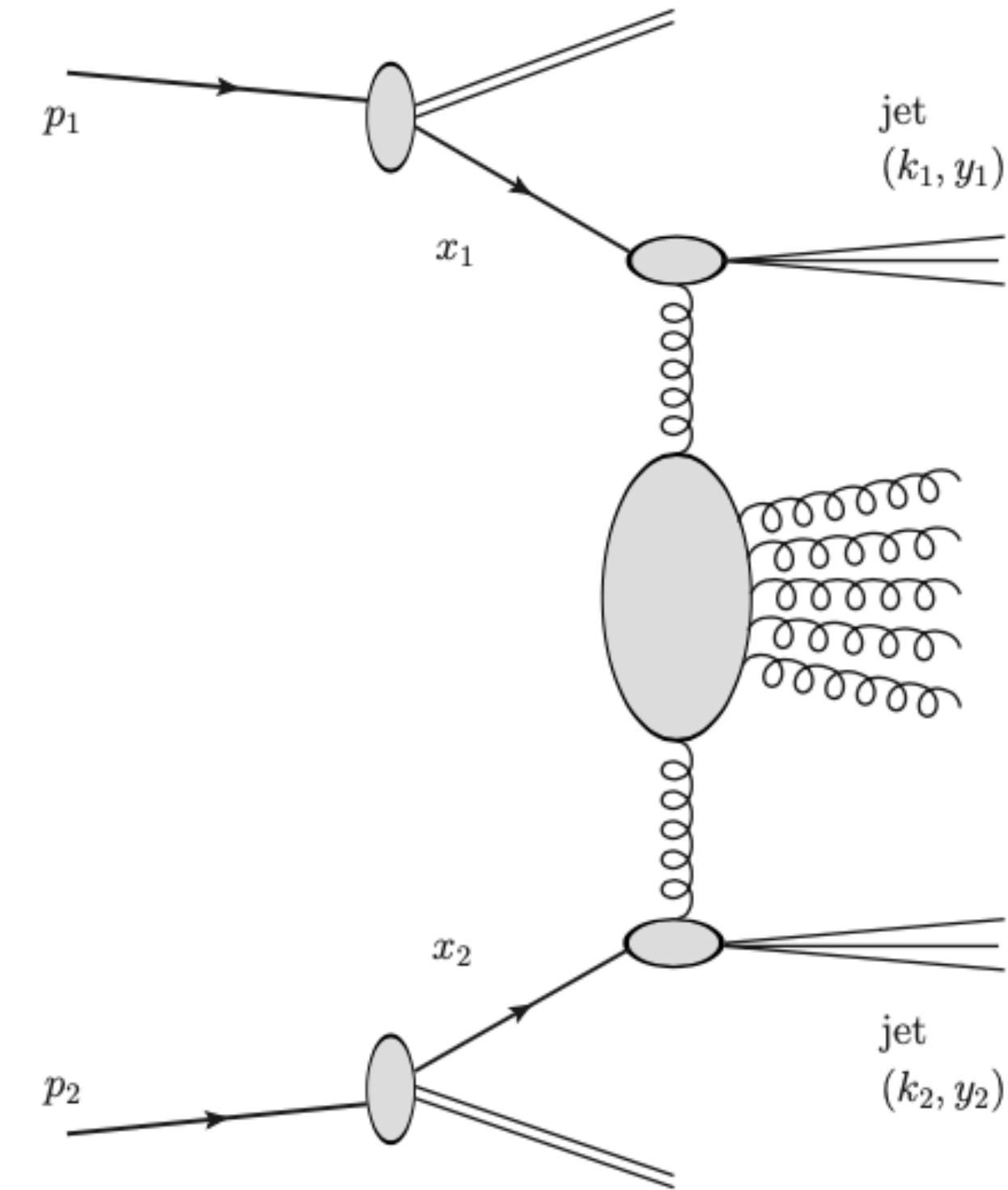
Imbalance logs  $\leftarrow$  back-to-back

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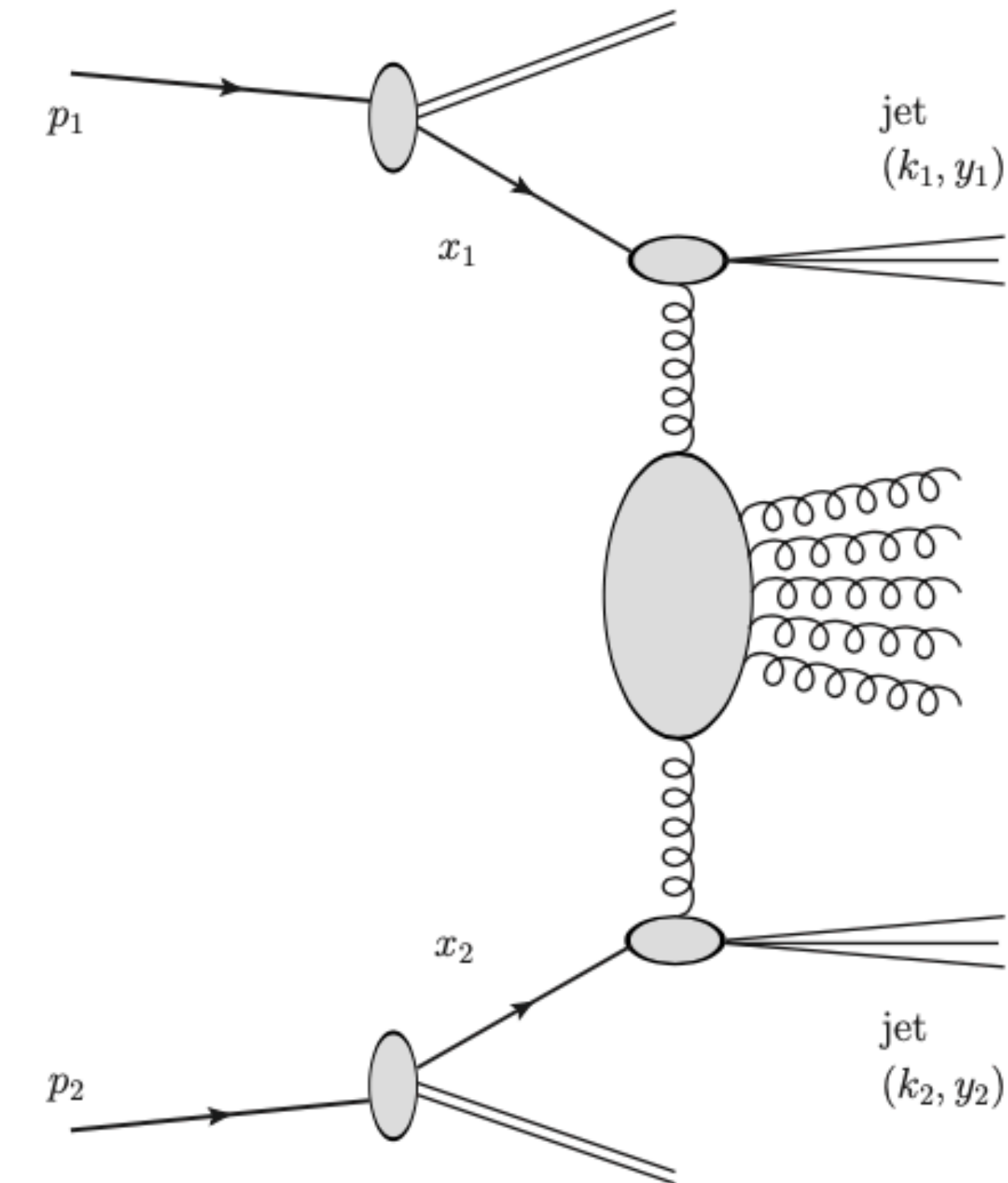
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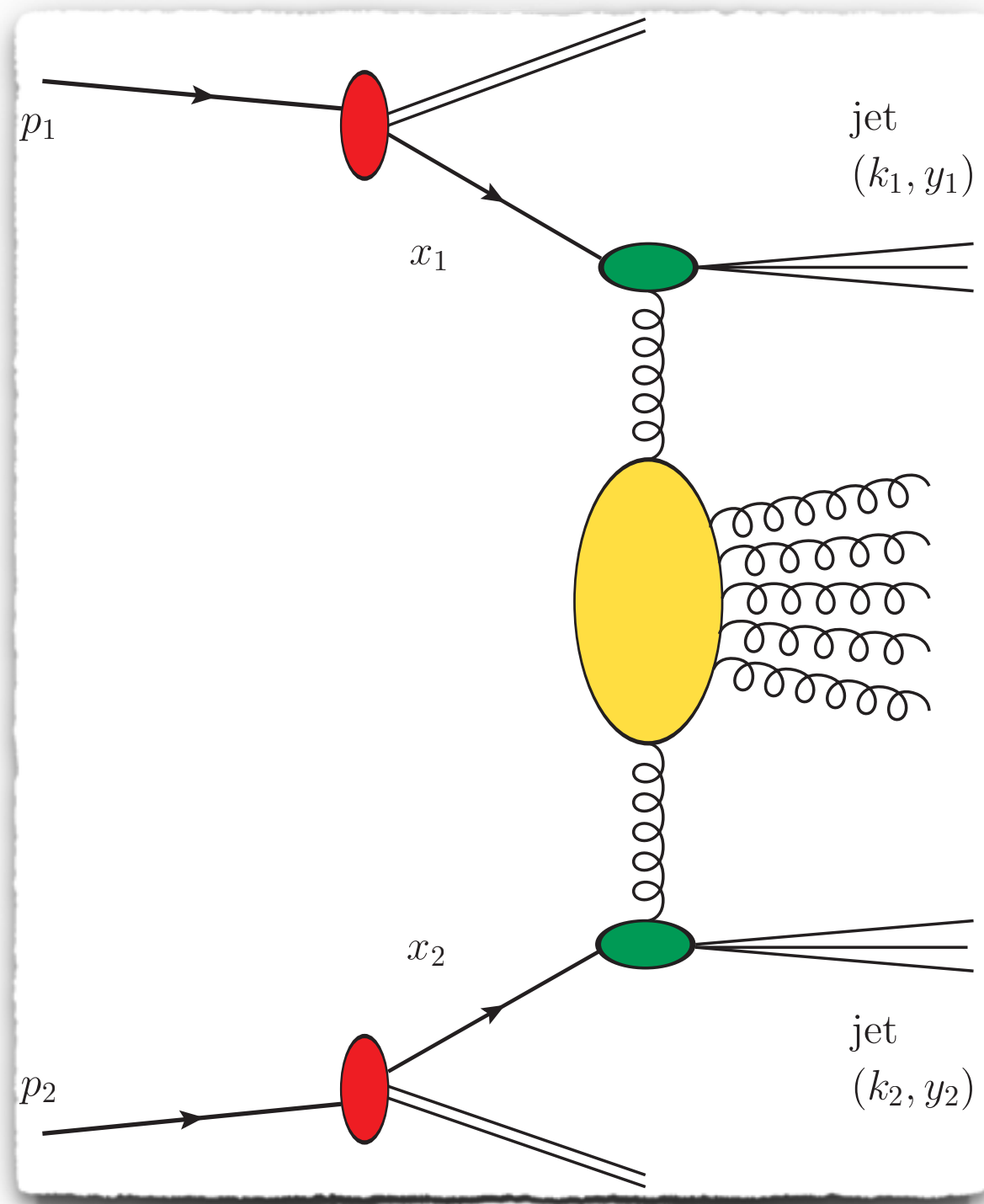


- two hadroproduced jets together with an undetected gluon system,  $X$
- large jet transverse momenta (hard scales):  $\vec{k}_1^2 \sim \vec{k}_2^2 \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2$
- large rapidity distance between jets,  $\Delta y \equiv Y = y_1 - y_2$ , which leads to large c.o.m energies,  $Y \propto \ln s$
- large parton long. fractions (*collinear PDFs*), but non negligible  $t$ -channel exchanged momenta ( $k_T$ -factorization)  $\Rightarrow$  **hybrid** approach (next slide)

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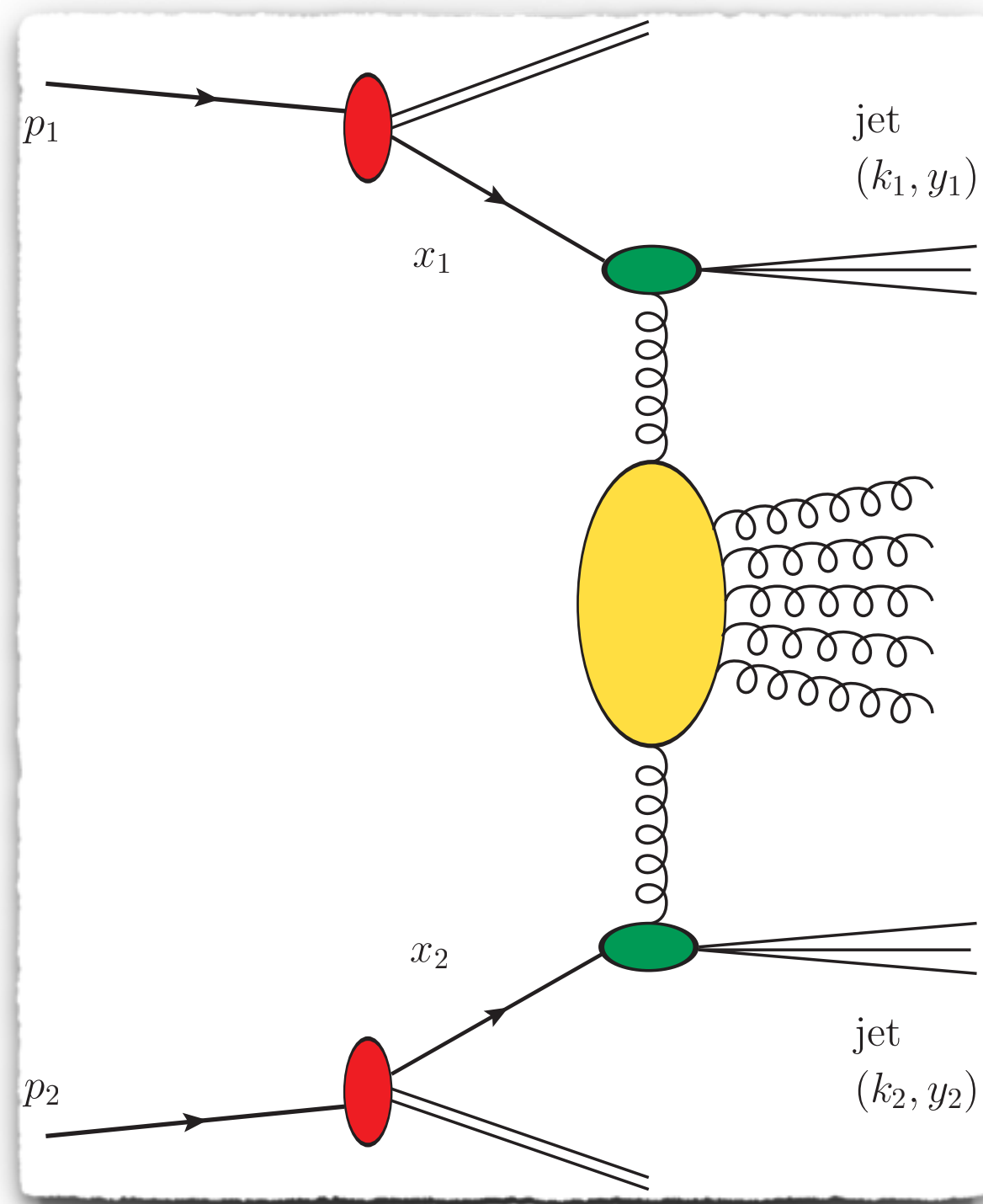
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NLO(+)

NLL

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jet vertices  
(off-shell amplitudes)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{r,s}(x_1 x_2 s, \mu)}{dy_1 dy_2 d^2\vec{k}_1 d^2\vec{k}_2} &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \\ &\times \int \frac{d^2\vec{q}_1}{\vec{q}_1^2} \mathcal{V}_J^{(r)}(\vec{q}_1, s_0, x_1, \vec{k}_1) \\ &\times \int_{\delta-i\infty}^{\delta+i\infty} \frac{d\omega}{2\pi i} \left(\frac{x_1 x_2 s}{s_0}\right)^\omega \mathcal{G}_\omega(\vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2) \\ &\times \int \frac{d^2\vec{q}_2}{\vec{q}_2^2} \mathcal{V}_J^{(s)}(\vec{q}_2, s_0, x_2, \vec{k}_2) \end{aligned}$$

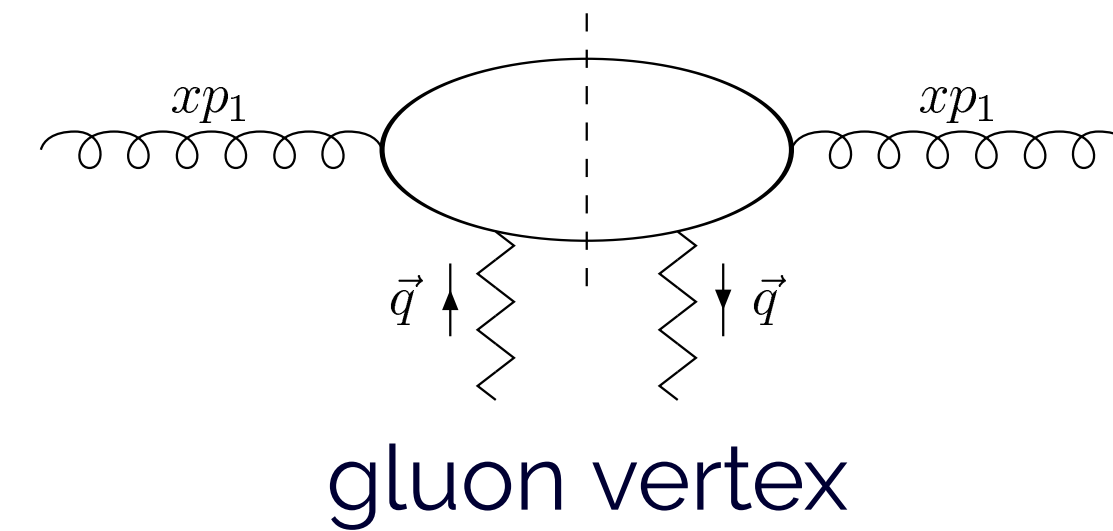
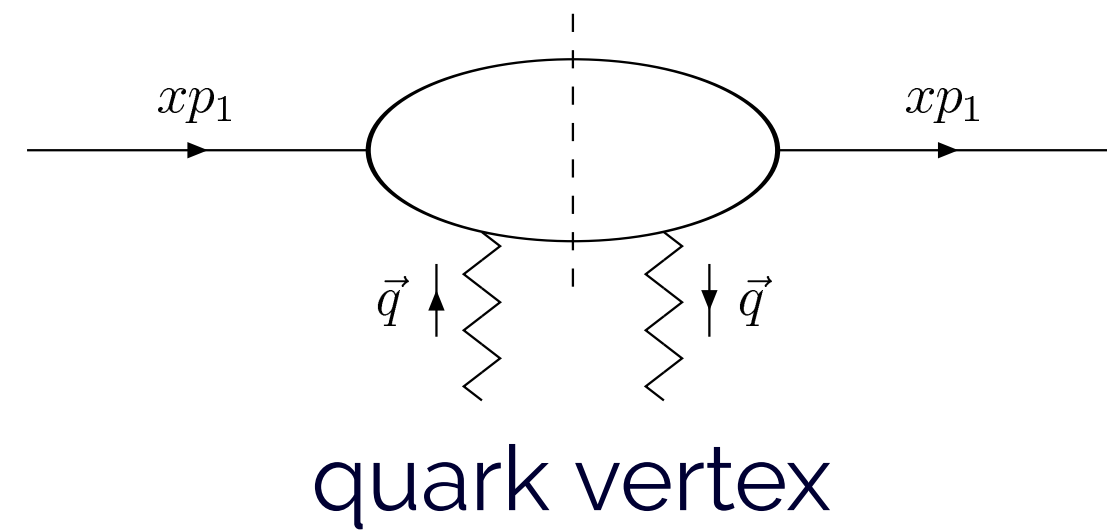
BFKL Green's function

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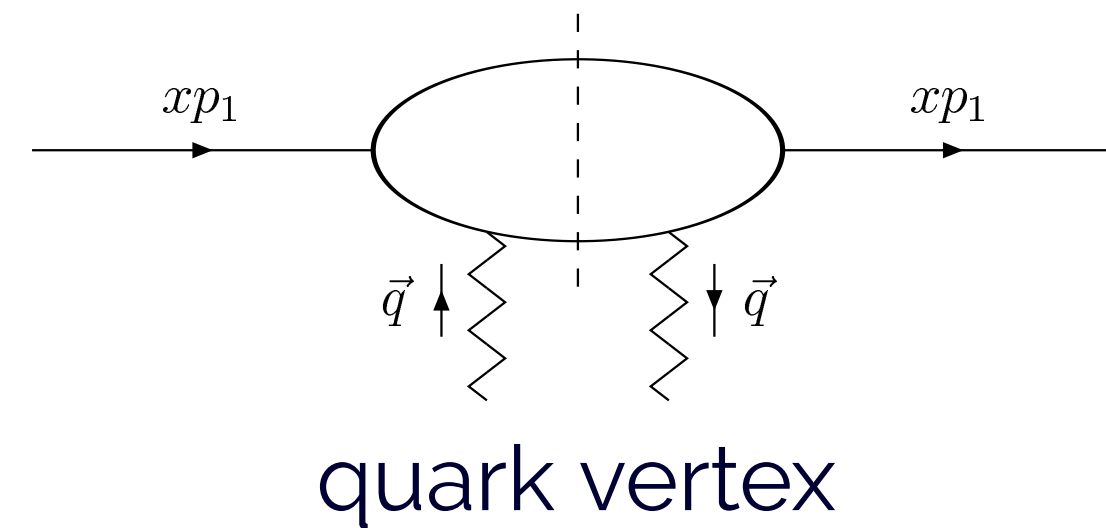


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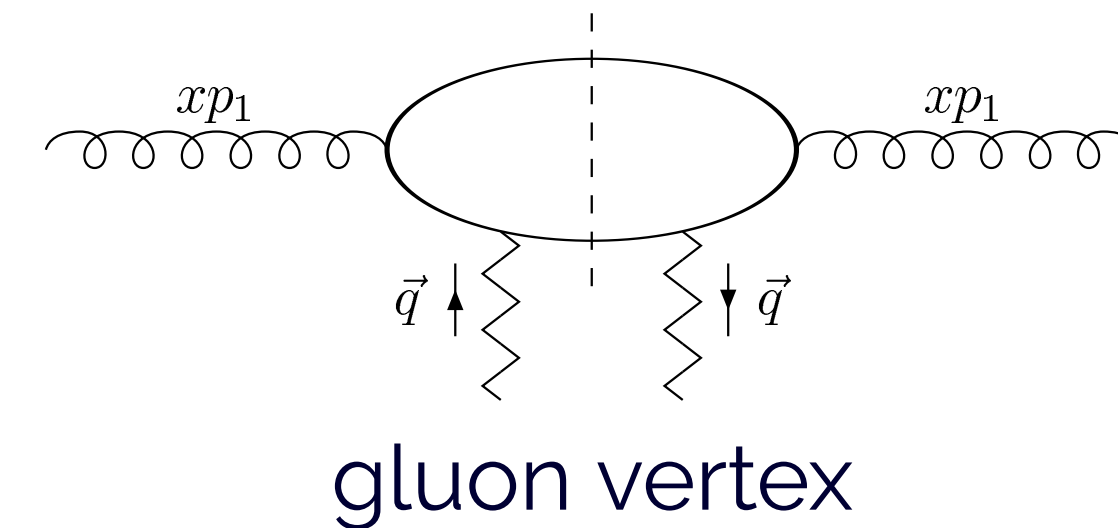
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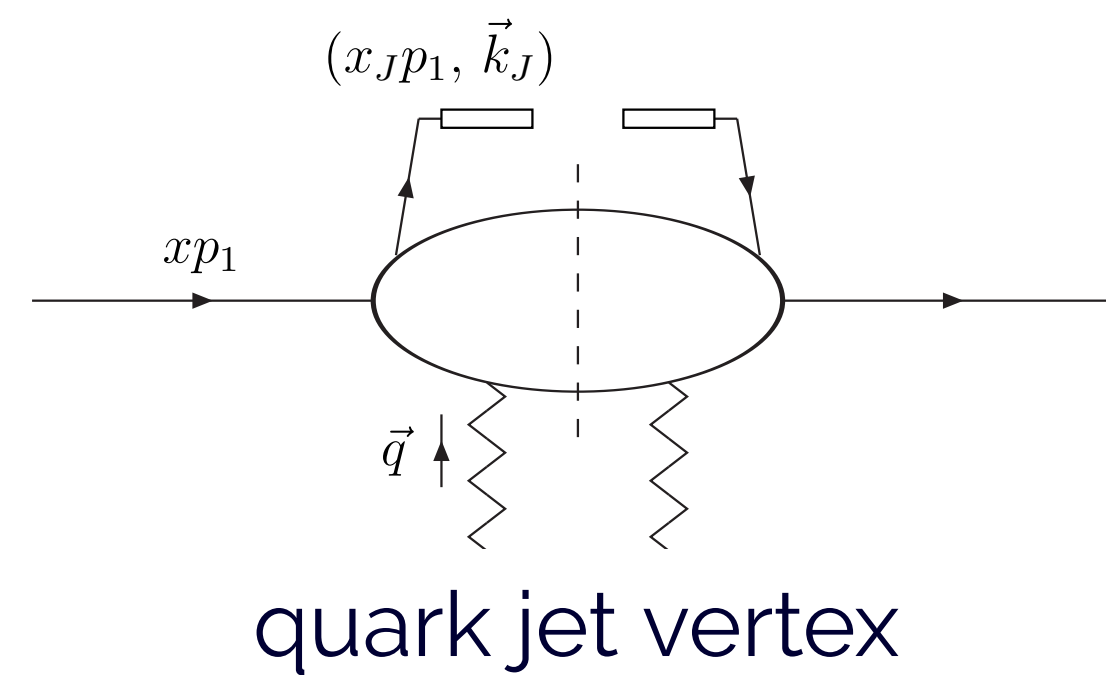


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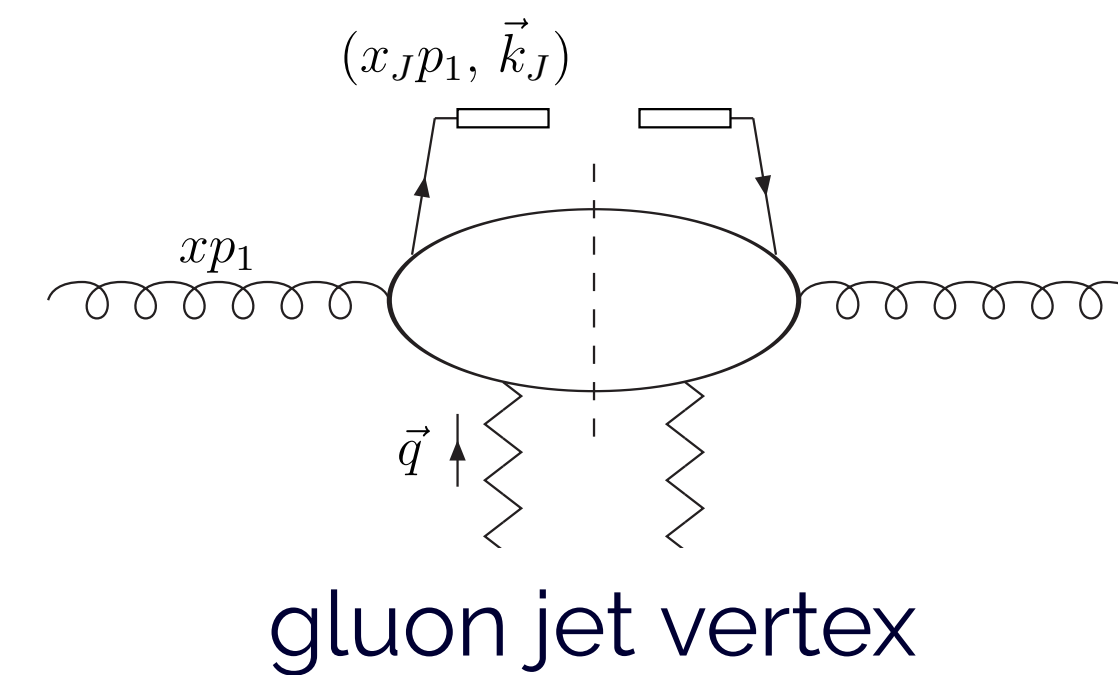


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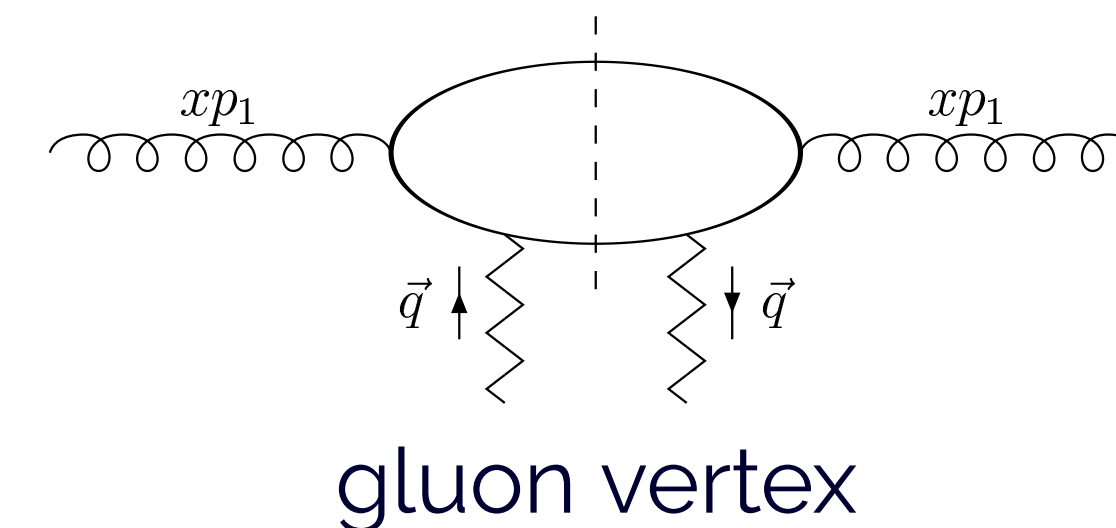
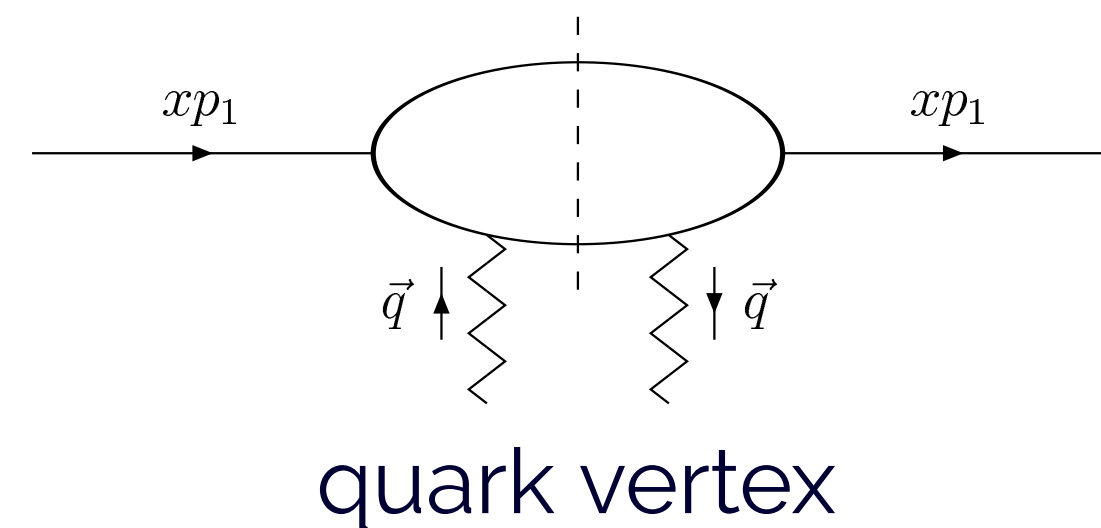


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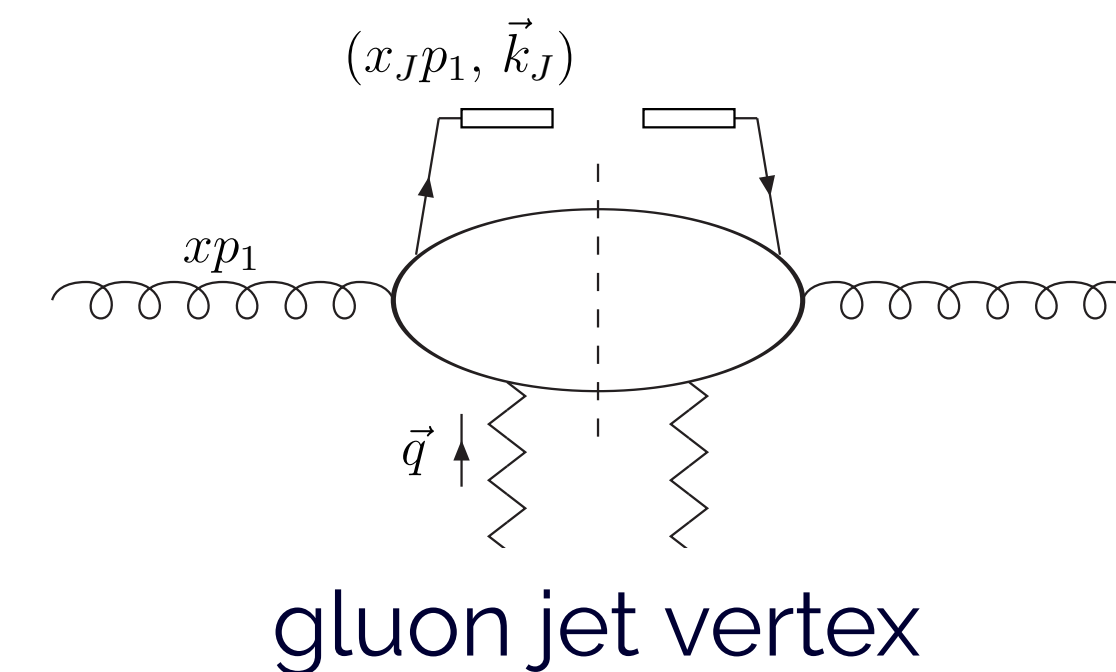
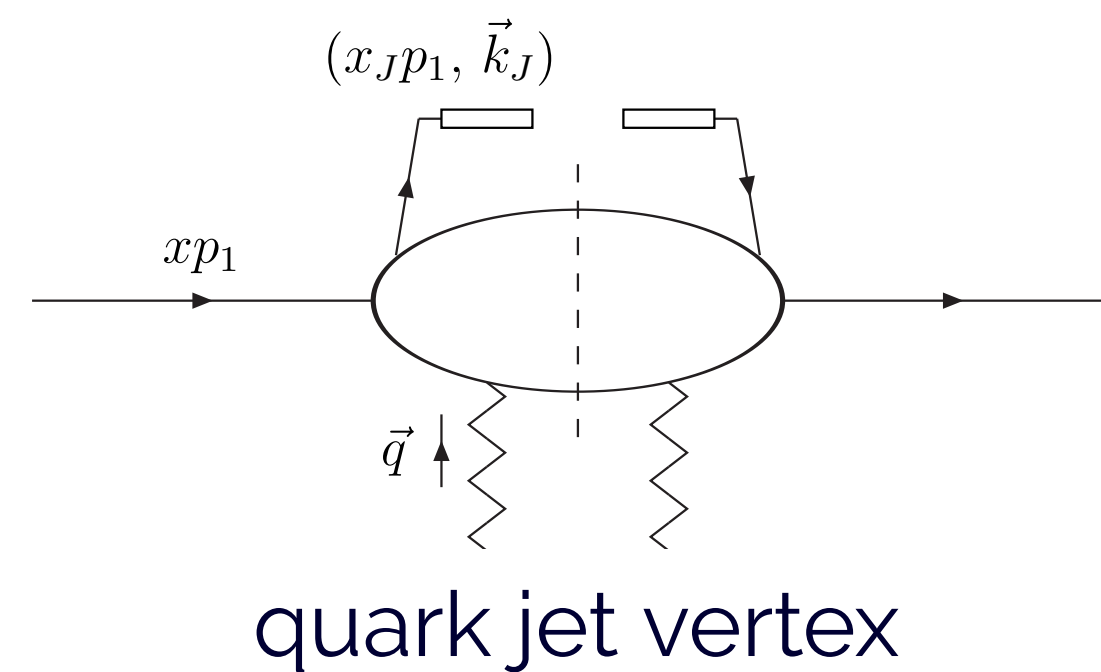
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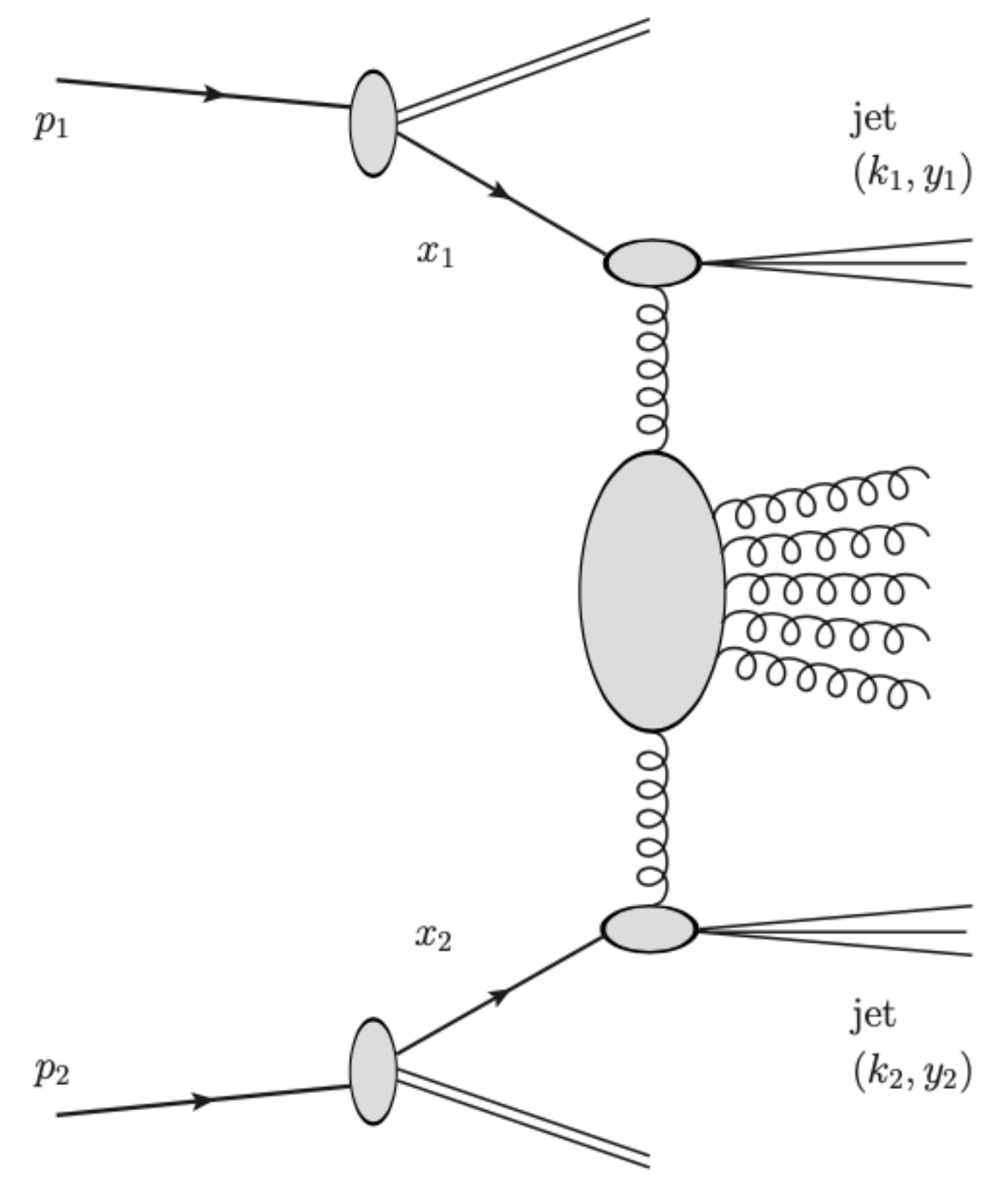
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- use QCD collinear factoriz.:  $\sum_{s=q,\bar{q}} f_s \otimes [\text{quark vertex}] + f_g \otimes [\text{gluon vertex}]$

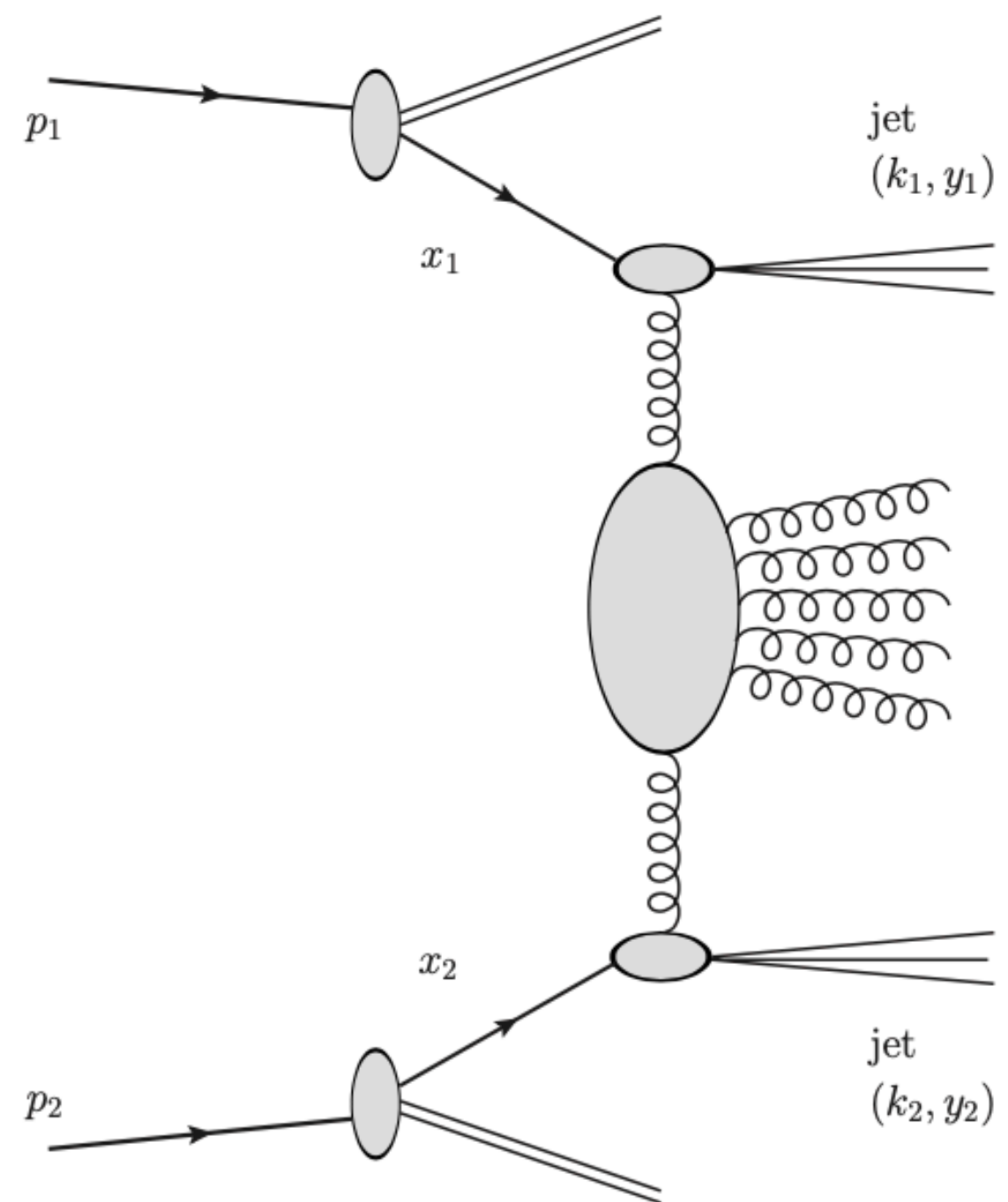
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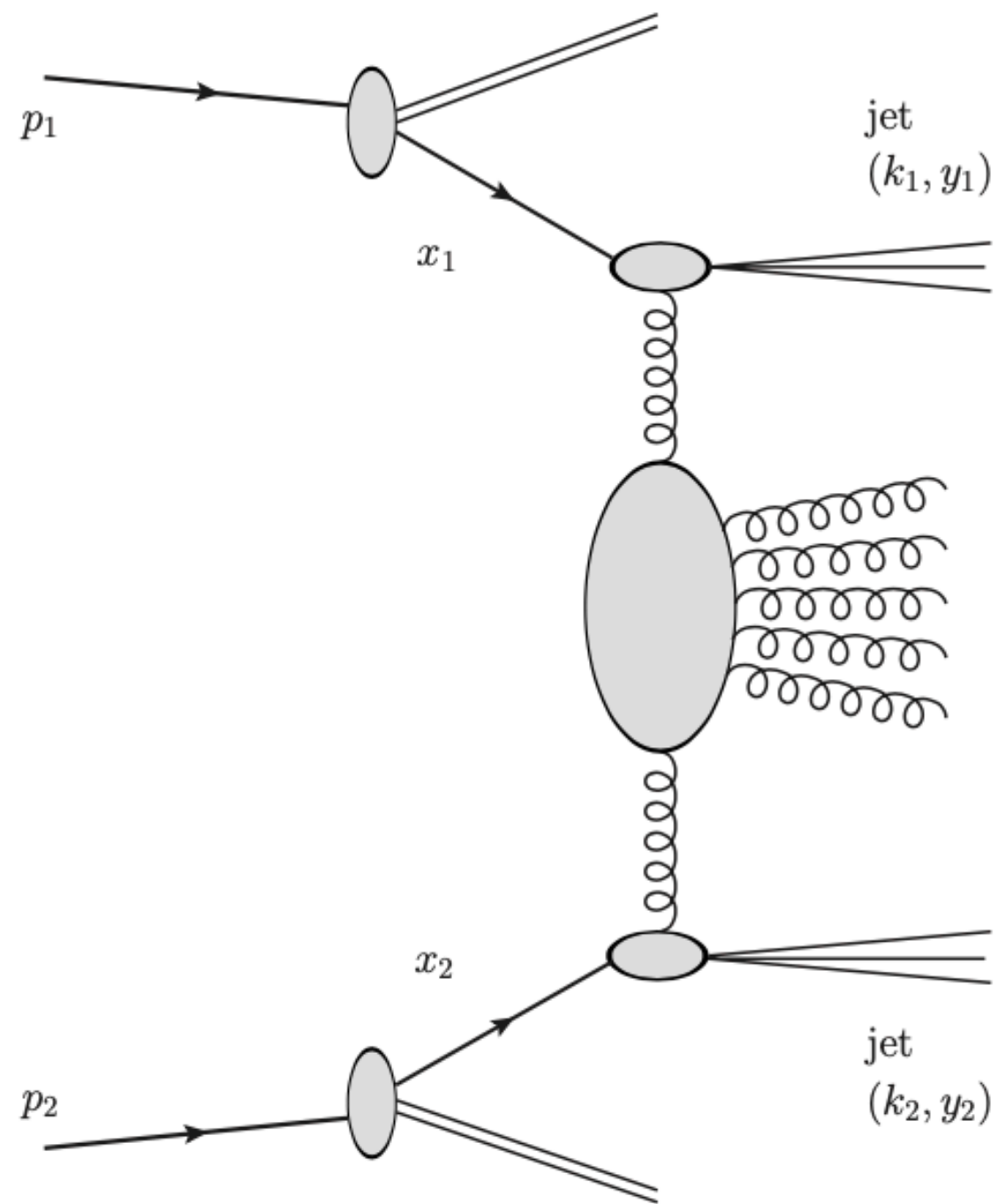
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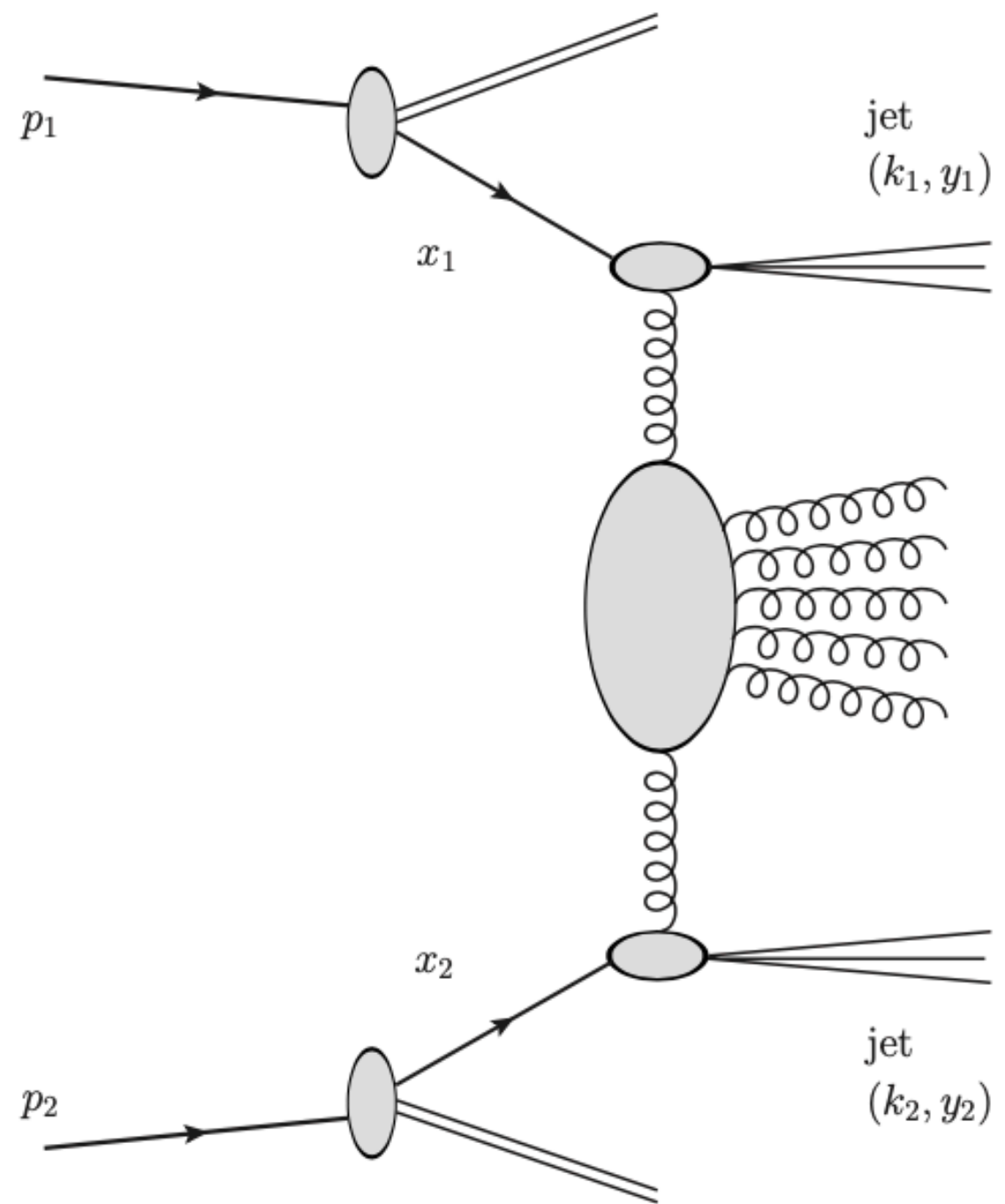
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## Observables:

$\phi$ -averaged cross section  $\mathcal{C}_0$ ,  $\langle \cos [n (\phi_{J_1} - \phi_{J_2} - \pi)] \rangle \equiv \frac{\mathcal{C}_n}{\mathcal{C}_0}$ , with  $n = 1, 2, 3$

$$\frac{\langle \cos [2 (\phi_1 - \phi_2 - \pi)] \rangle}{\langle \cos (\phi_1 - \phi_2 - \pi) \rangle} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{C}_2}{\mathcal{C}_1} \equiv R_{21}, \quad \frac{\langle \cos [3 (\phi_1 - \phi_2 - \pi)] \rangle}{\langle \cos [2 (\phi_1 - \phi_2 - \pi)] \rangle} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{C}_3}{\mathcal{C}_2} \equiv R_{32}.$$

## Integrated coefficients:

$$\mathcal{C}_n = \int_{y_{1,\min}}^{y_{1,\max}} dy_1 \int_{y_{2,\min}}^{y_{2,\max}} dy_2 \int_{k_{J_1,\min}}^{\infty} dk_{J_1} \int_{k_{J_2,\min}}^{\infty} dk_{J_2} \delta(y_1 - y_2 - Y) \mathcal{C}_n(y_{J_1}, y_{J_2}, k_{J_1}, k_{J_2})$$

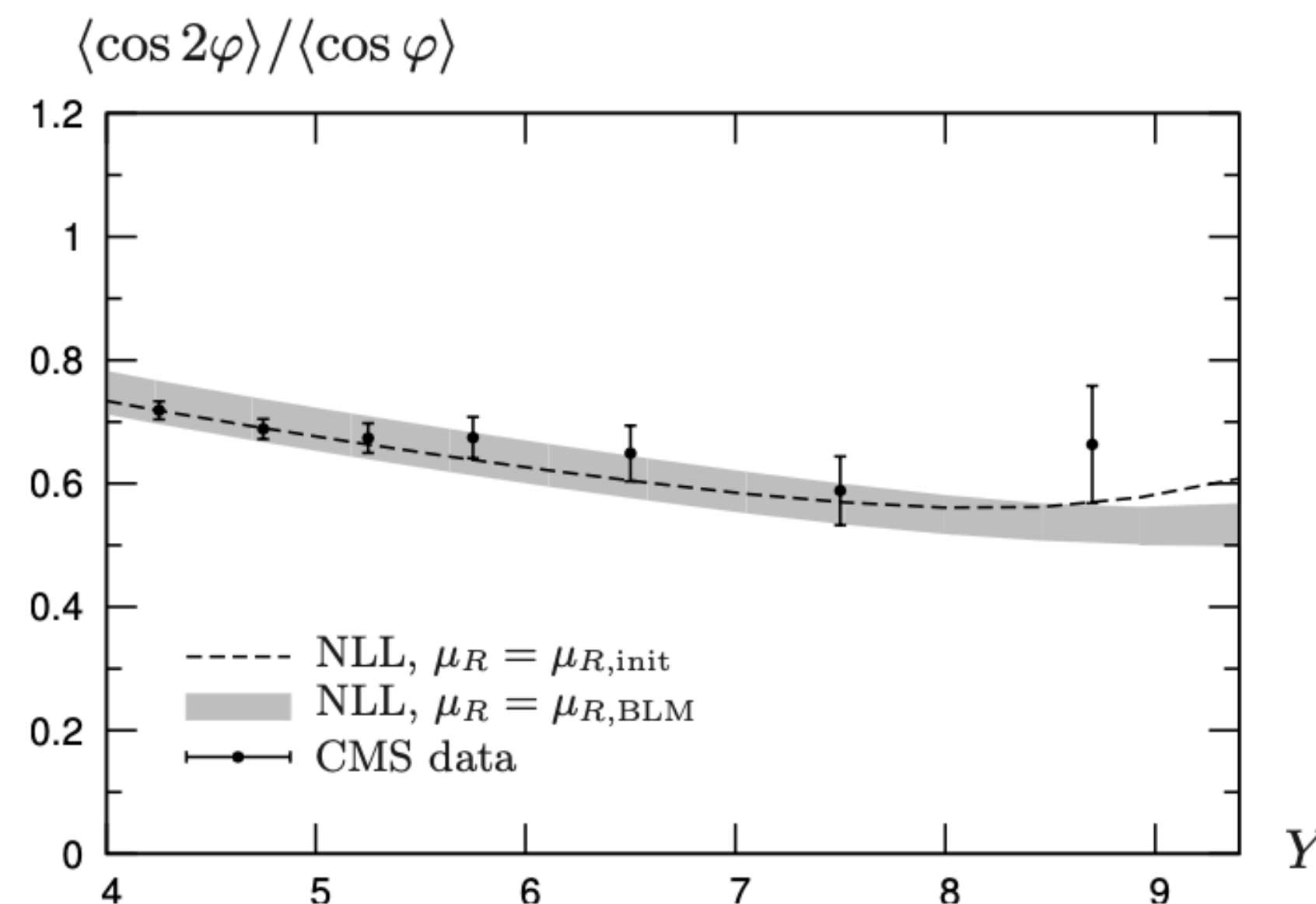
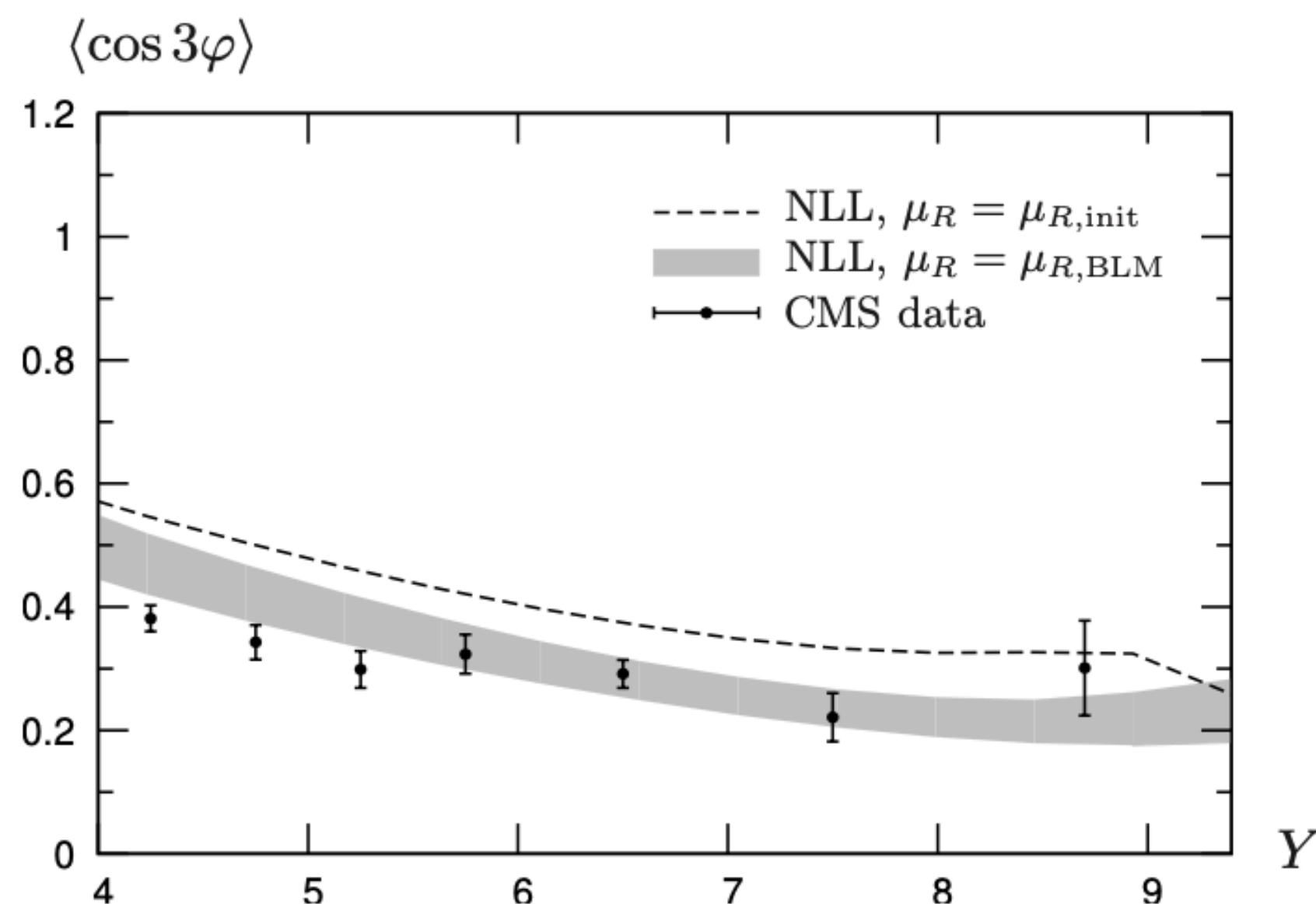
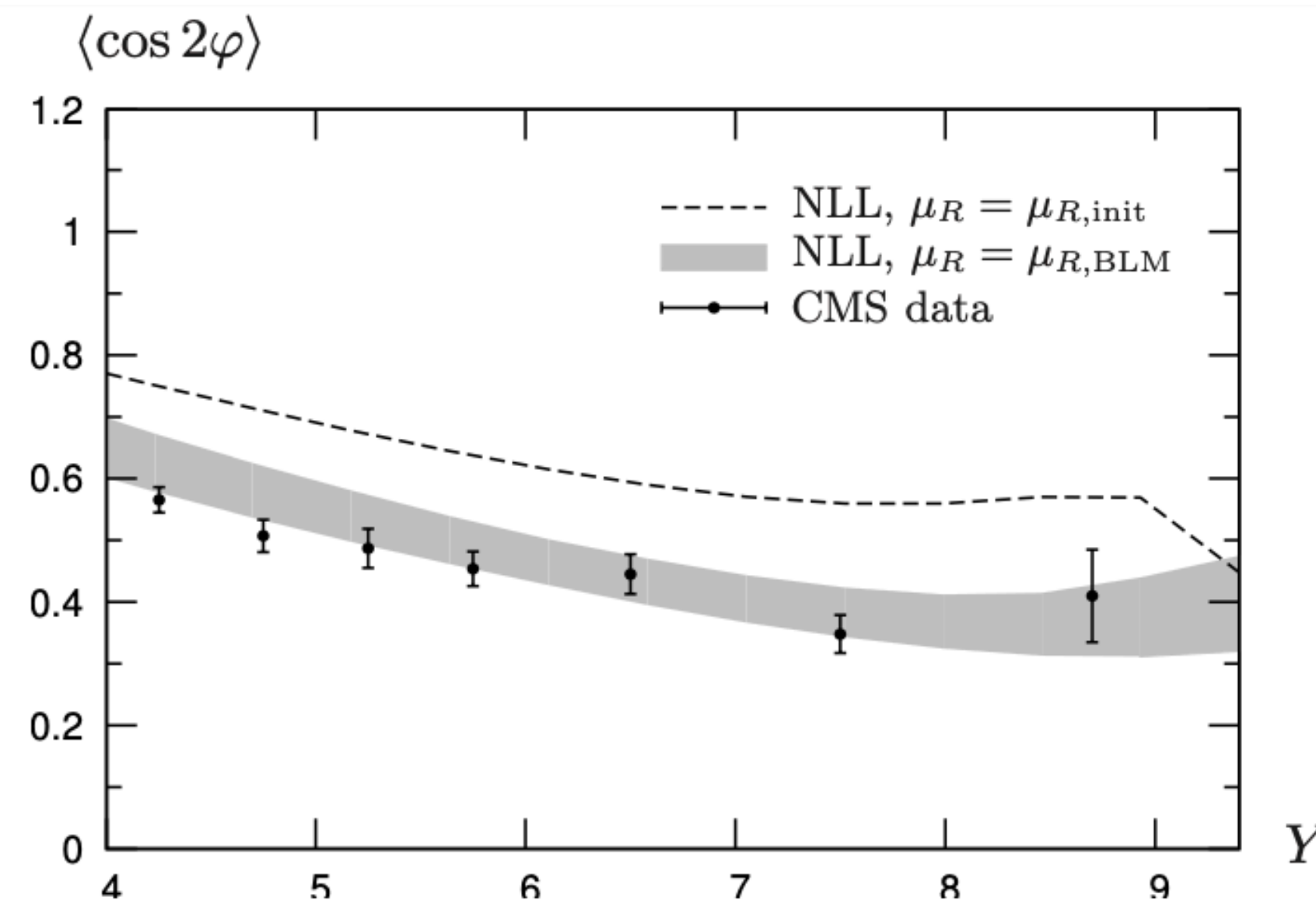
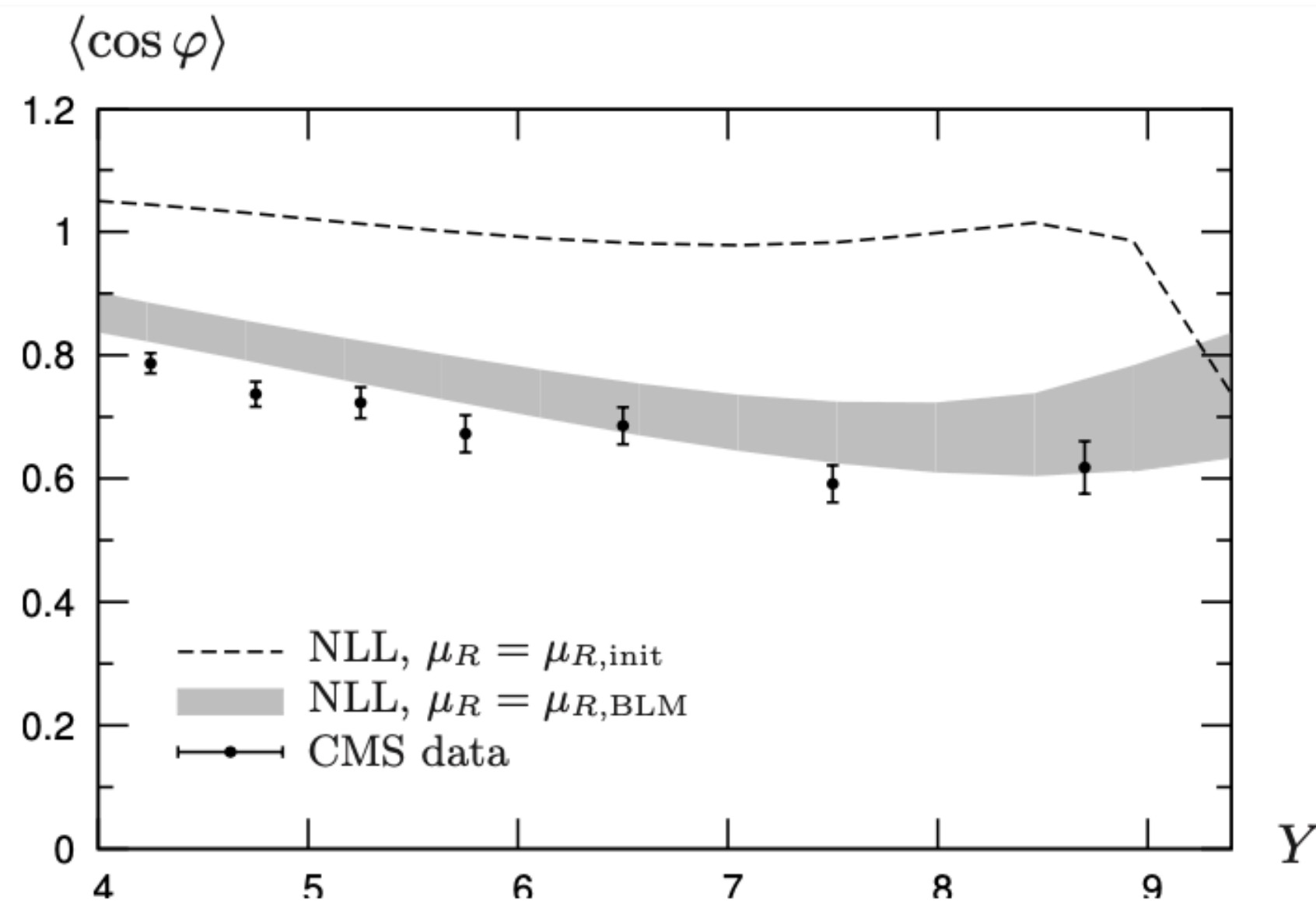
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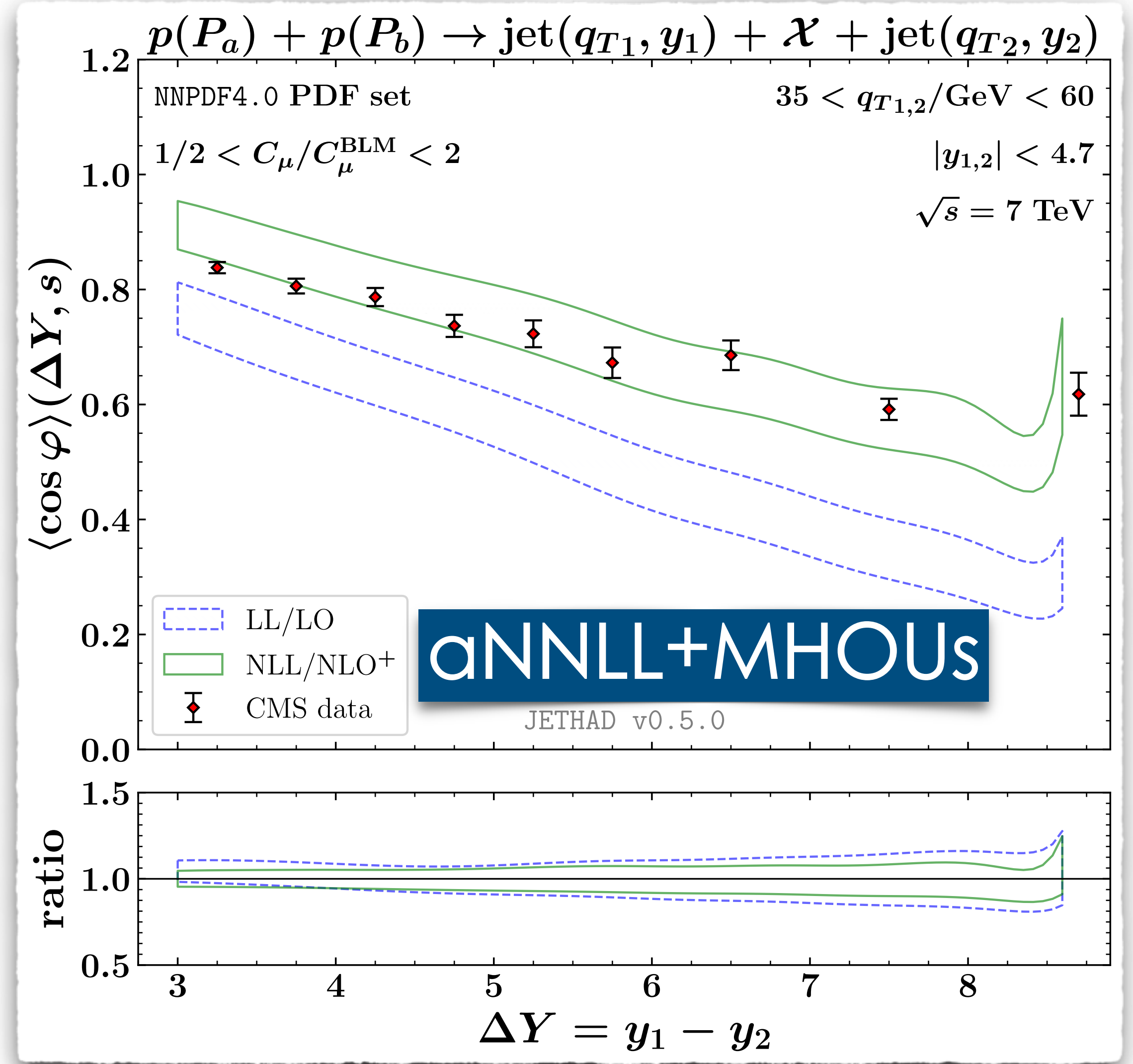
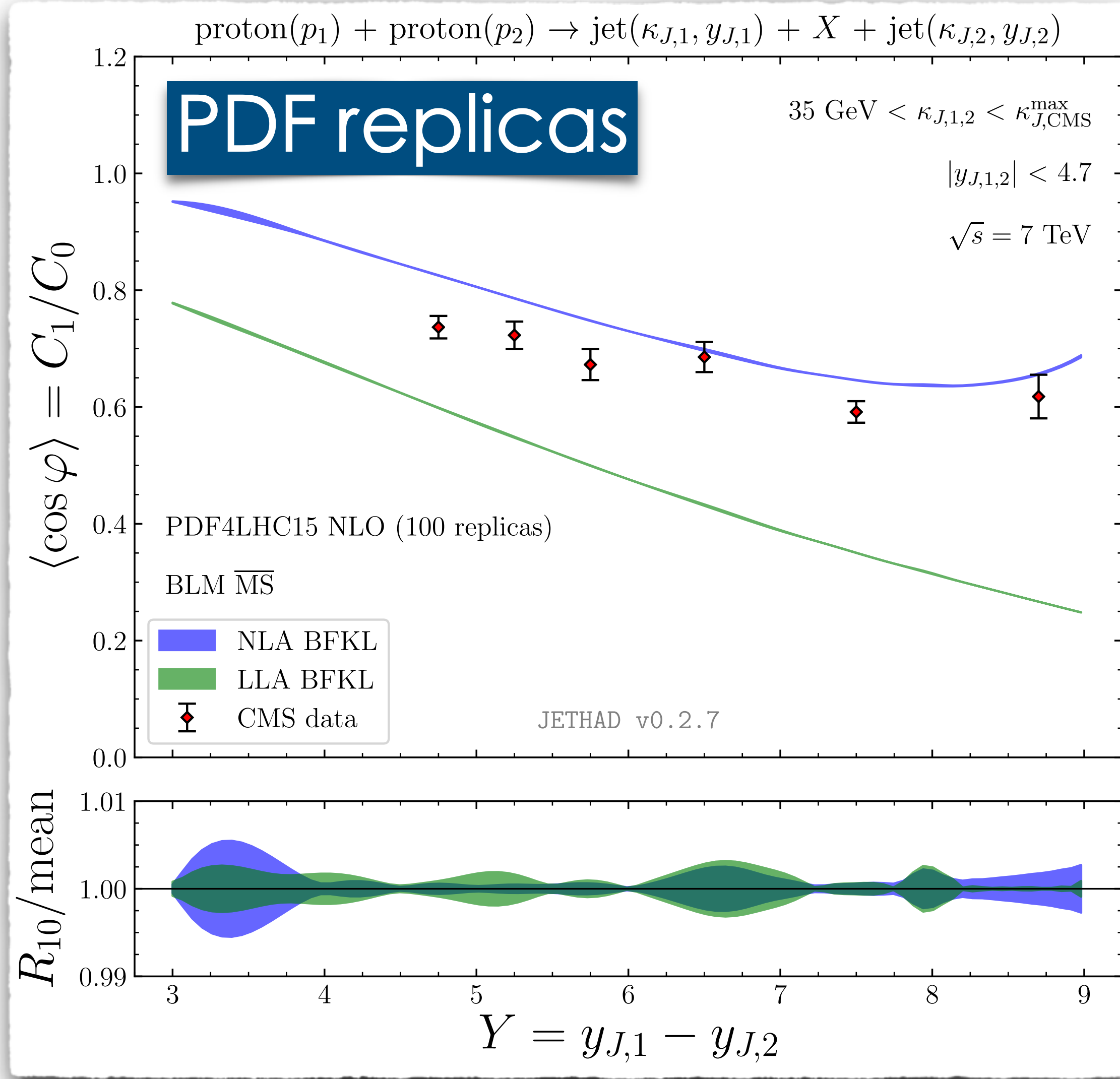
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(figures in this slide; **7 TeV BFKL + sym.**) [B. Ducloué, L. Szymanowski, S. Wallon (2014)]  
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## What's next?

- ◇ BFKL vs fixed-order DGLAP adopting **asymmetric**  $p_T$ -ranges (next slide)
- ◇ need for *more exclusive* final states as well as *more sensitive* observables

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## Why asymmetric cuts?

- ▶ suppress Born contribution to  $\varphi$ -averaged cross section  $C_0$  (back-to-back)
  - ◇ avoid instabilities observed in NLO fixed-order calculations  
[J.R. Andersen, V. Del Duca, S. Frixione, C.R. Schmidt, W.J. Stirling (2001)]  
[M. Fontannaz, J.P. Guillet, G. Heinrich (2001)]
  - ◇ **enhance effects of additional hard gluons**  $\xrightarrow{\text{emphasize}}$  **BFKL effects**
- ▶ violation of energy-momentum in NLA strongly suppressed respect to LLA  
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- **3 NLA BFKL** reactions: **MN jets**, **hadron-jet**, **di-hadron** with **disjoint**  $k$ -windows

## Looking for new observables

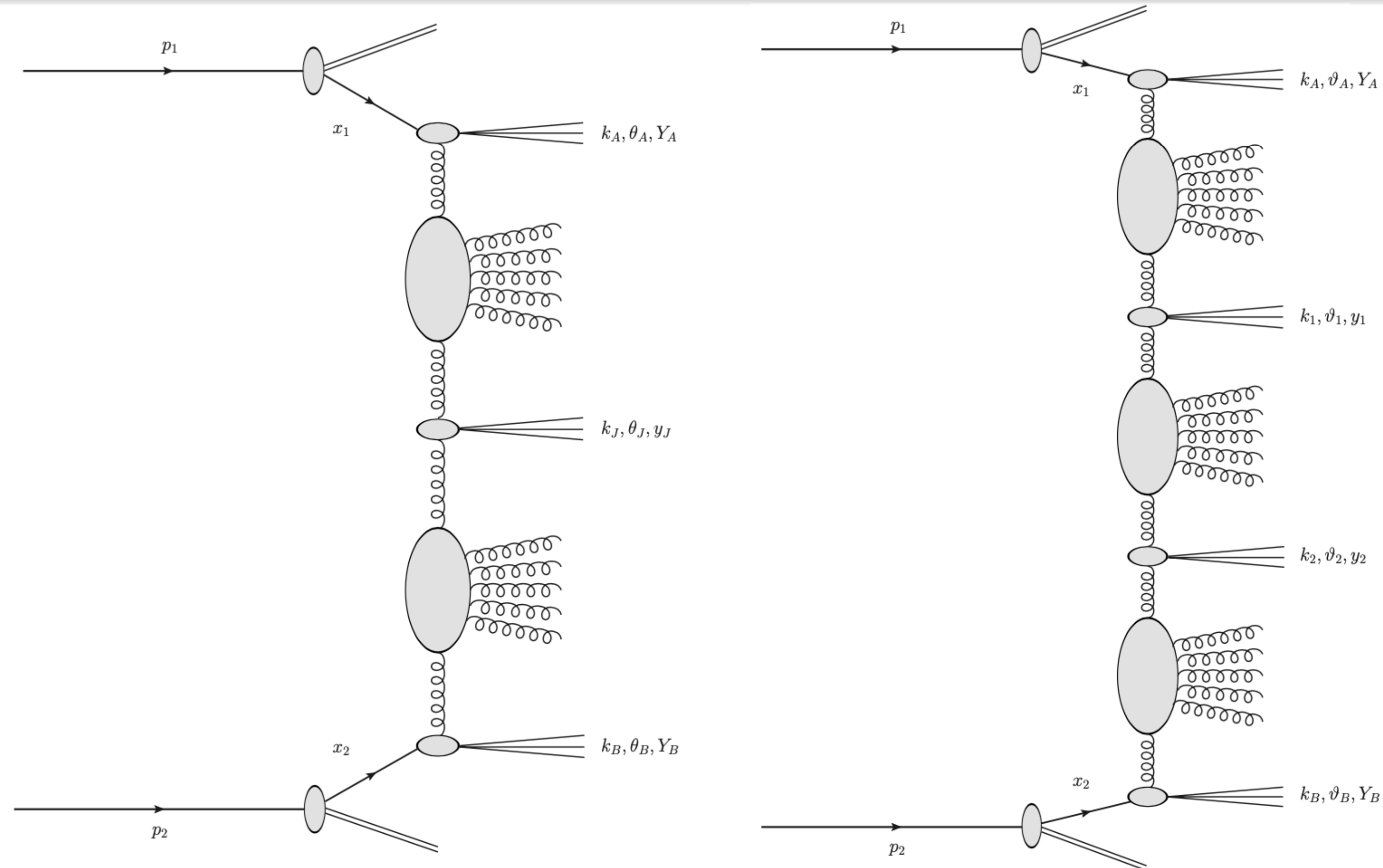
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## Three-jets: generalized azimuthal correlations

*Prescription:* integrate over all angles after using the projections on the two azimuthal angle differences indicated below...to define:

$$\int_0^{2\pi} d\theta_A \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta_B \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta_J \cos(M(\theta_A - \theta_J - \pi)) \cos(N(\theta_J - \theta_B - \pi)) \frac{d^3 \hat{\sigma}^{3\text{-jet}}}{dk_J d\theta_J dy_J}$$

$$= \bar{\alpha}_s \sum_{L=0}^N \binom{N}{L} (k_J^2)^{\frac{L-1}{2}} \int_0^\infty dp^2 (p^2)^{\frac{N-L}{2}} \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \frac{(-1)^{M+N} \cos(M\theta) \cos((N-L)\theta)}{\sqrt{(p^2 + k_J^2 + 2\sqrt{p^2 k_J^2} \cos \theta)}^N}$$

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Main observables: **generalized azimuthal correlation momenta**

$$\mathcal{R}_{PQ}^{MN} = \frac{\mathcal{C}_{MN}}{\mathcal{C}_{PR}} = \frac{\langle \cos(M(\theta_A - \theta_J - \pi)) \cos(N(\theta_J - \theta_B - \pi)) \rangle}{\langle \cos(P(\theta_A - \theta_J - \pi)) \cos(Q(\theta_J - \theta_B - \pi)) \rangle}$$

- ◇ Remove the contribution from the zero conformal spin  
 to  $\rightarrow$  drastically reduce the dependence on collinear configurations  
 study  $\mathcal{R}_{PQ}^{MN}$  with integer  $M, N, P, Q > 0$



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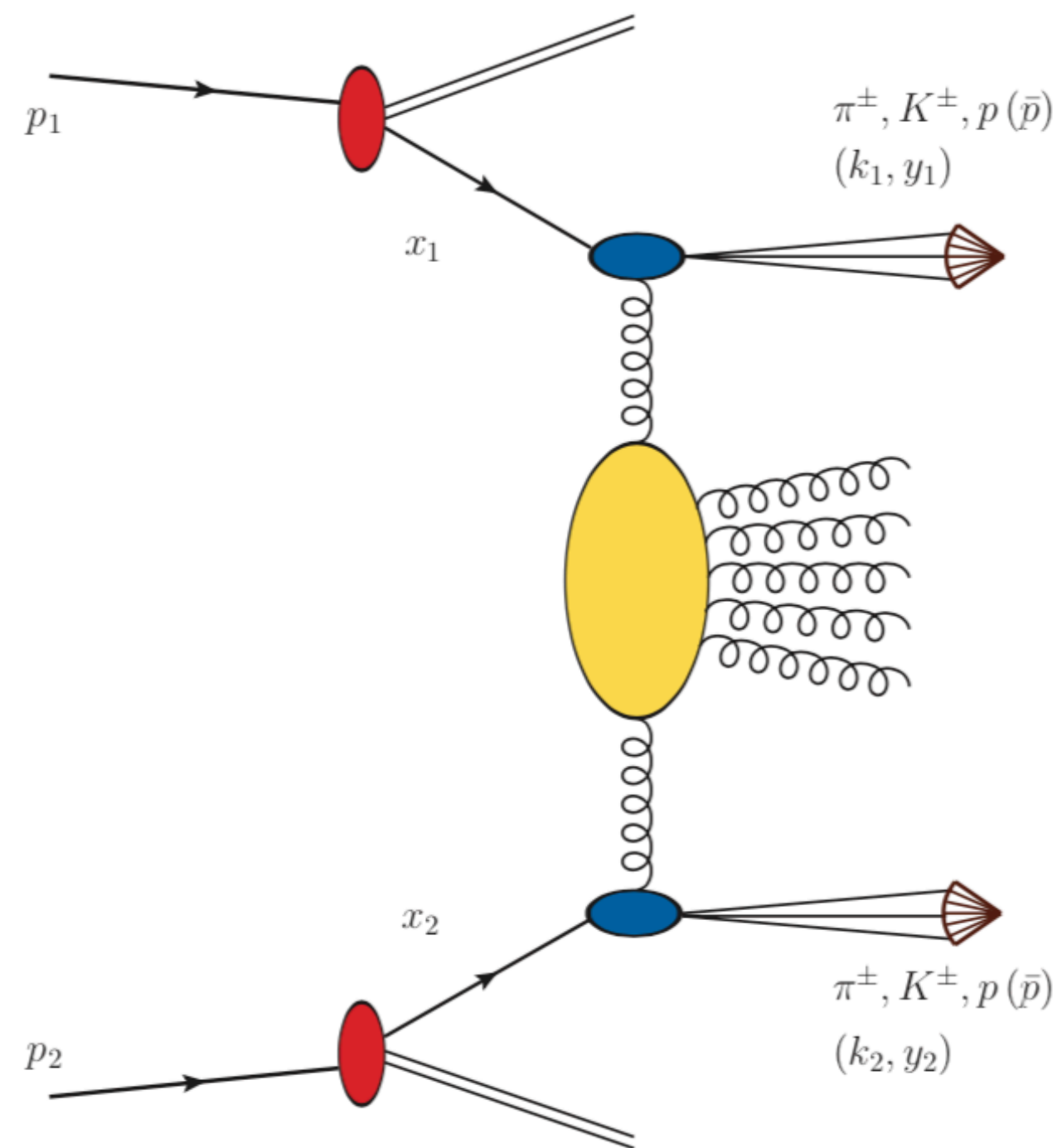
# Light-flavored hadrons

# From jets to hadrons

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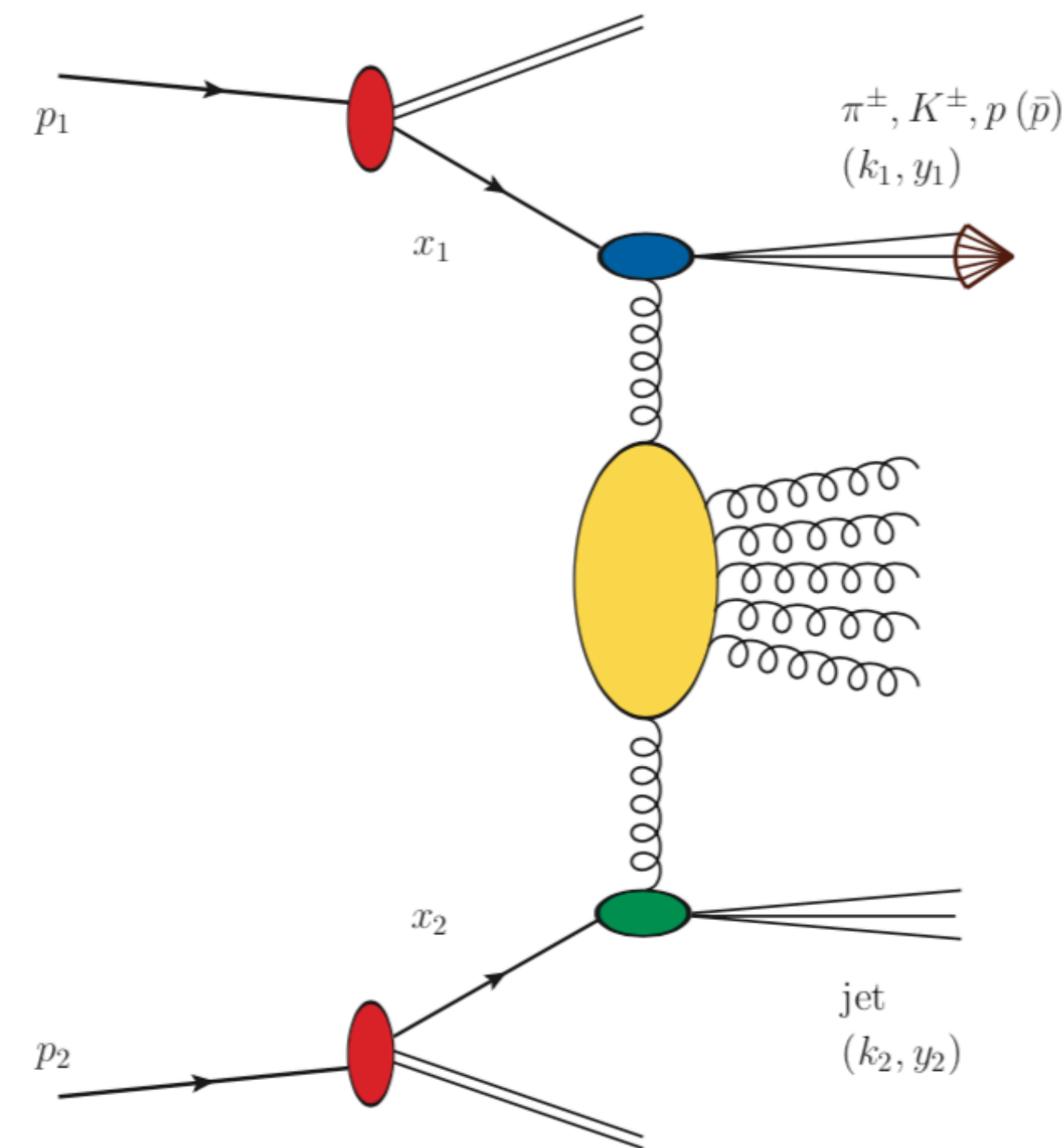
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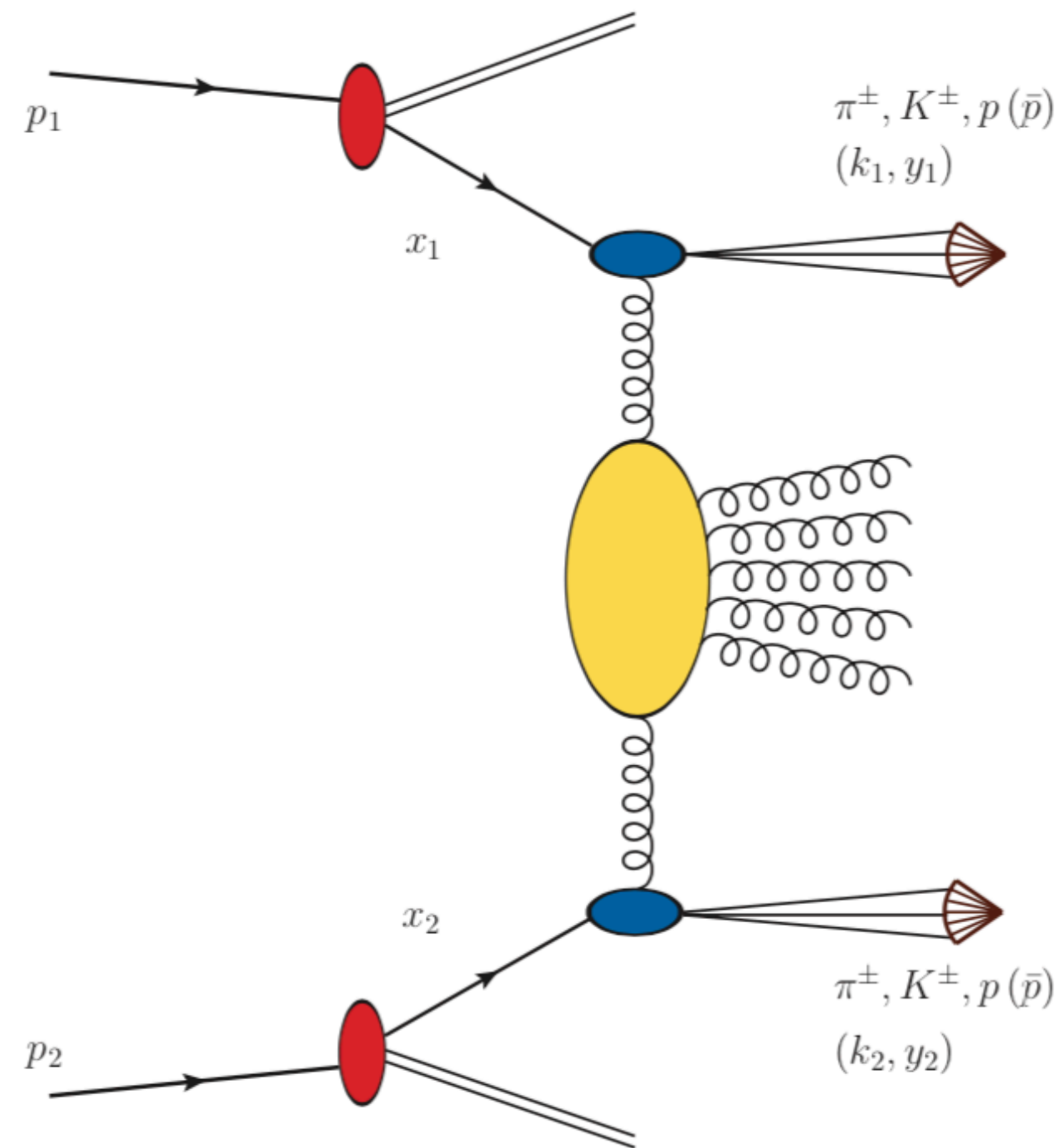
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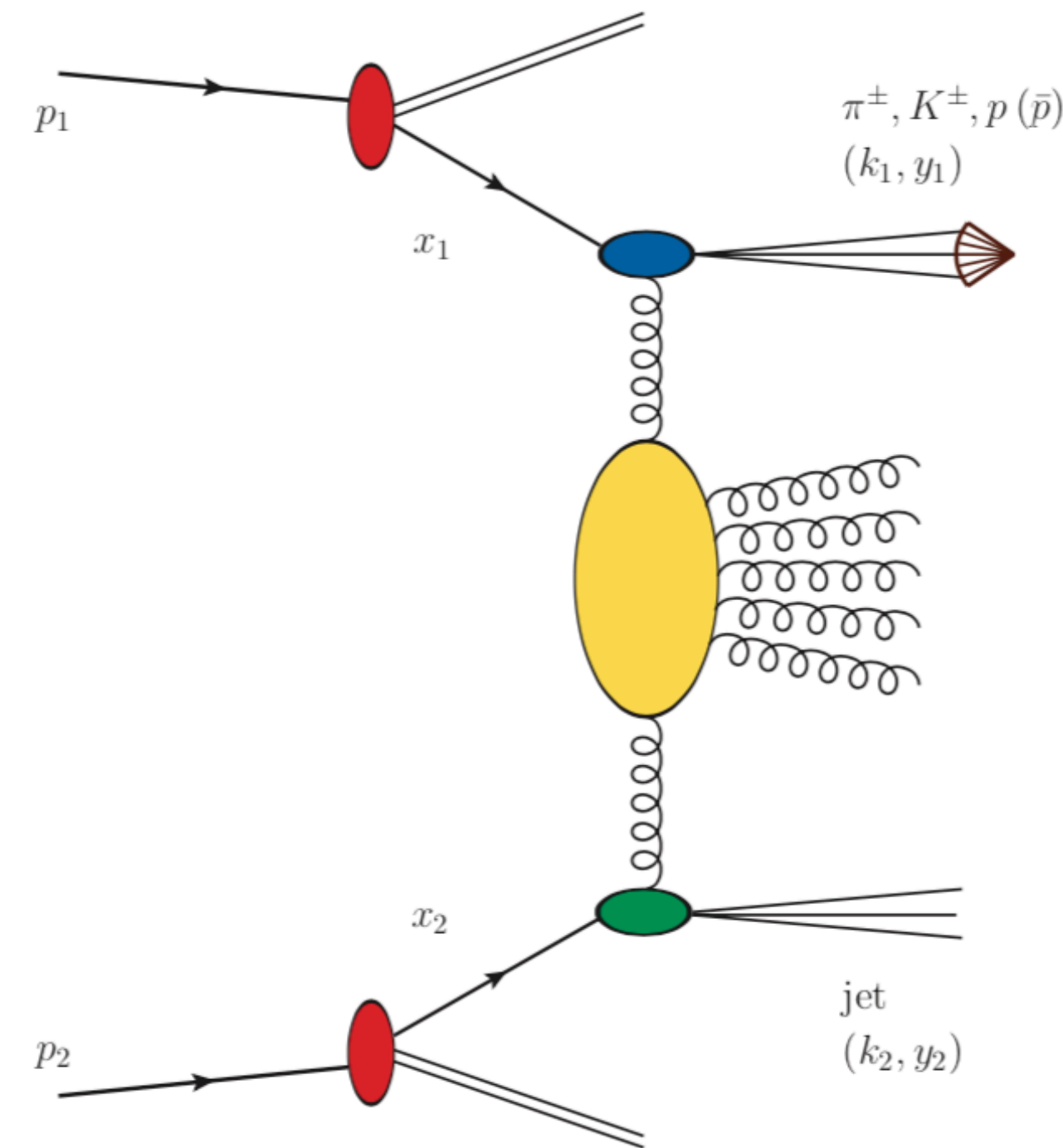
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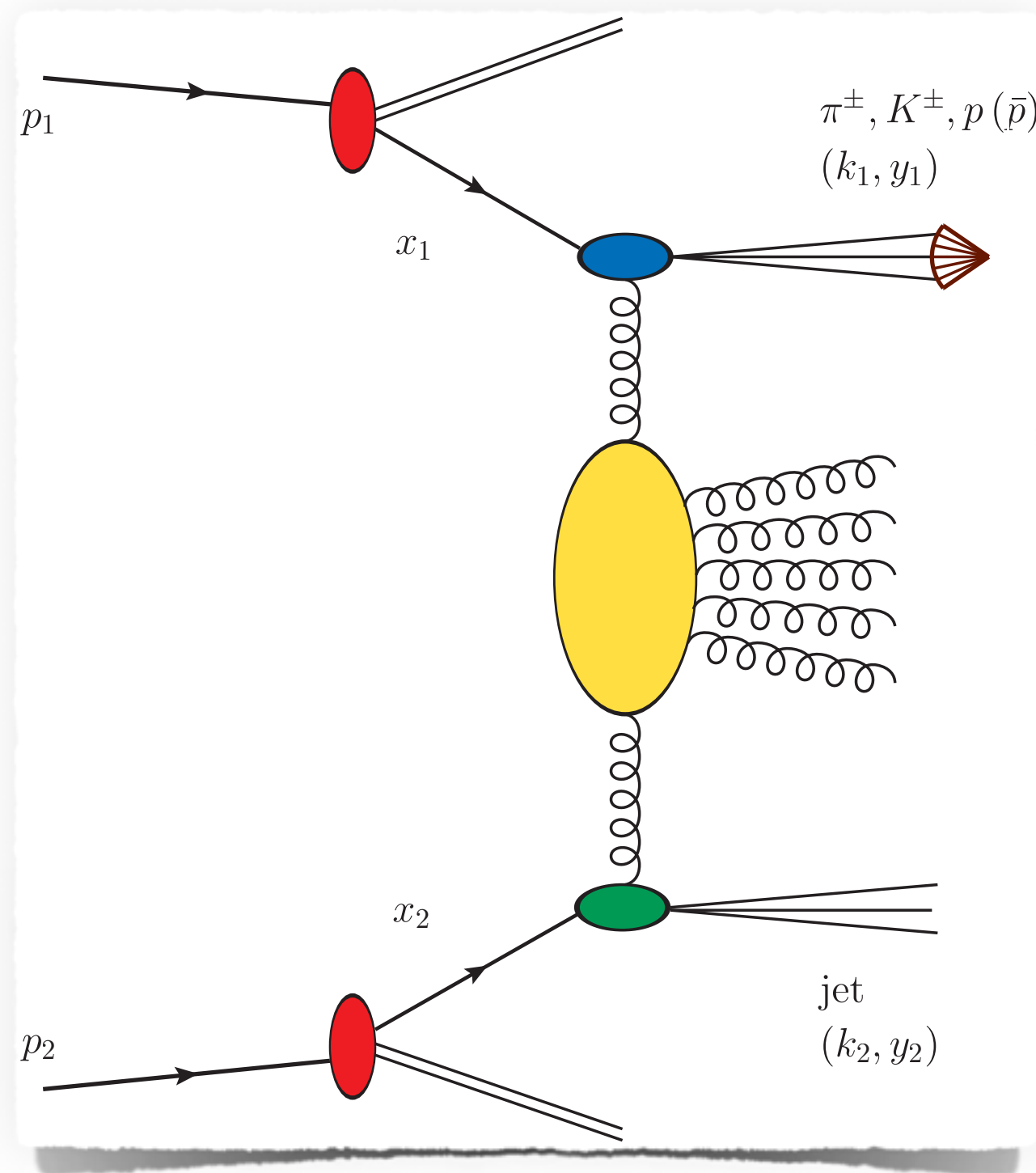


- ◇ NLO impact factors known  $\Rightarrow$  full NLA BFKL analysis feasible
- ◇ PDFs + FFs at work (both), hadrons at smaller rapidities than jets (di-hadron)
- ◇ genuine *asymmetric* cuts in transverse momenta (hadron-jet)

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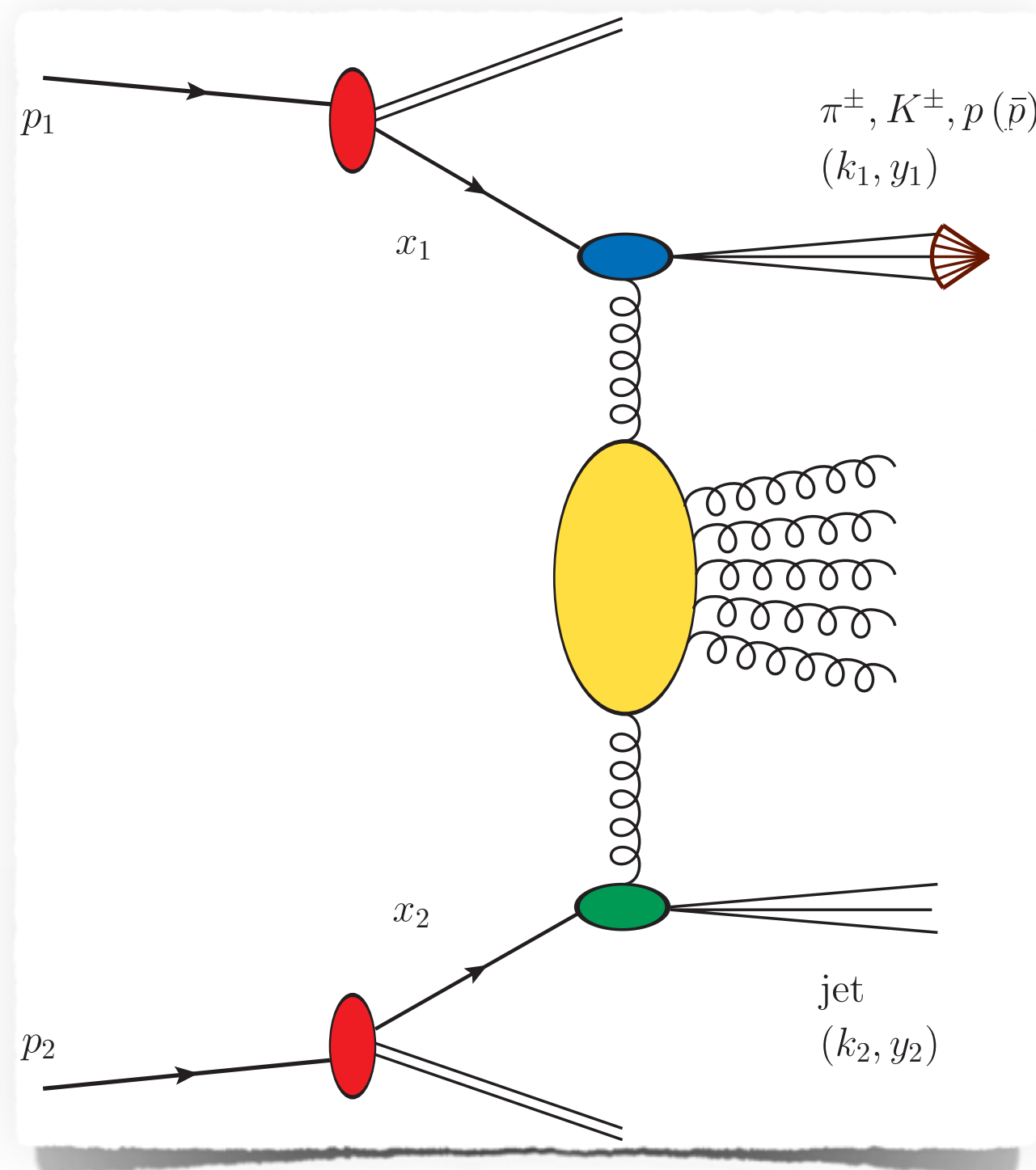
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NLL

$$\times \int_{\delta-i\infty}^{\delta+i\infty} \frac{d\omega}{2\pi i} \left(\frac{x_1 x_2 s}{s_0}\right)^\omega \mathcal{G}_\omega(\vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2)$$

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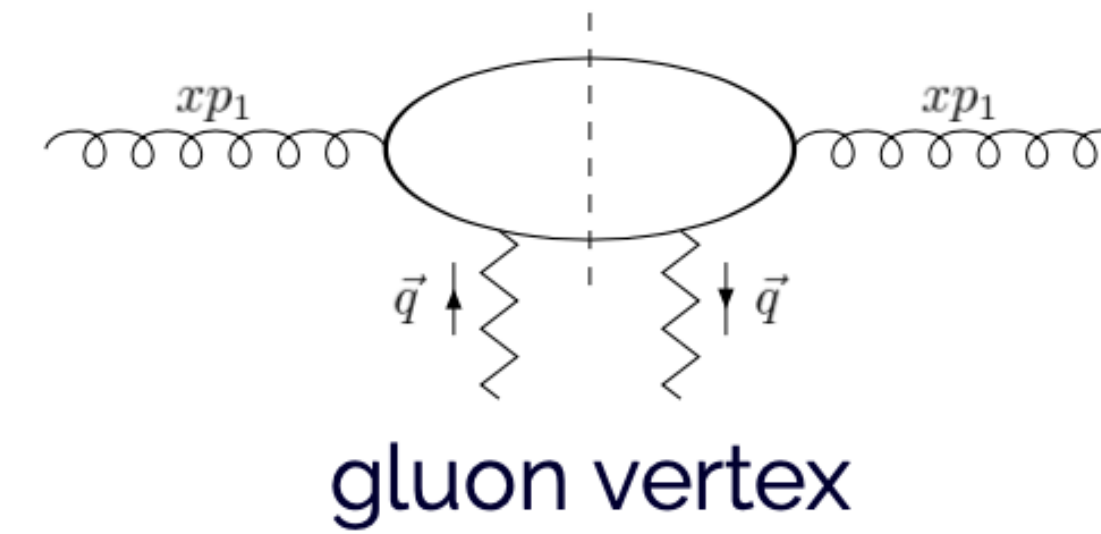
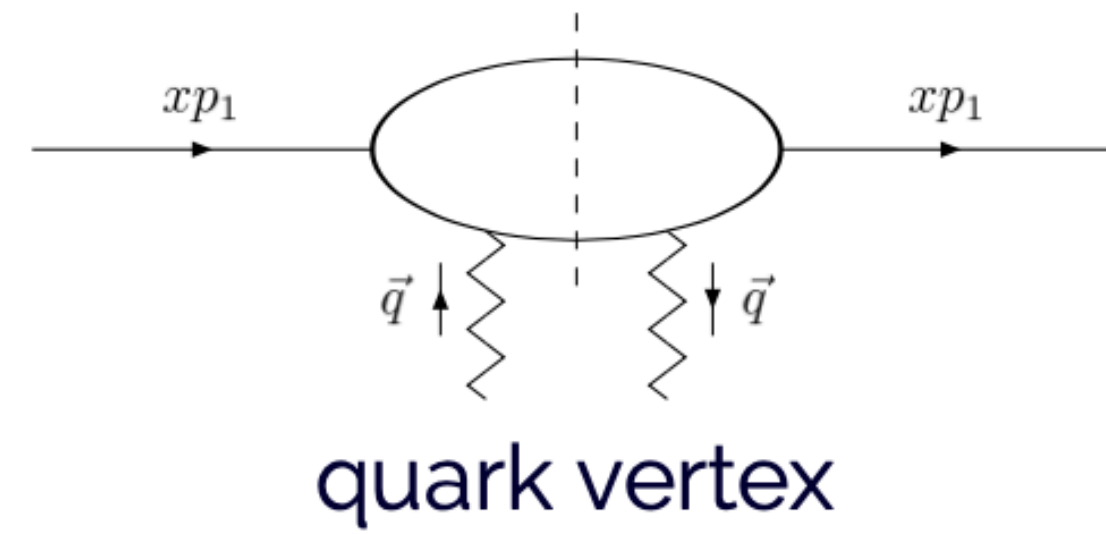
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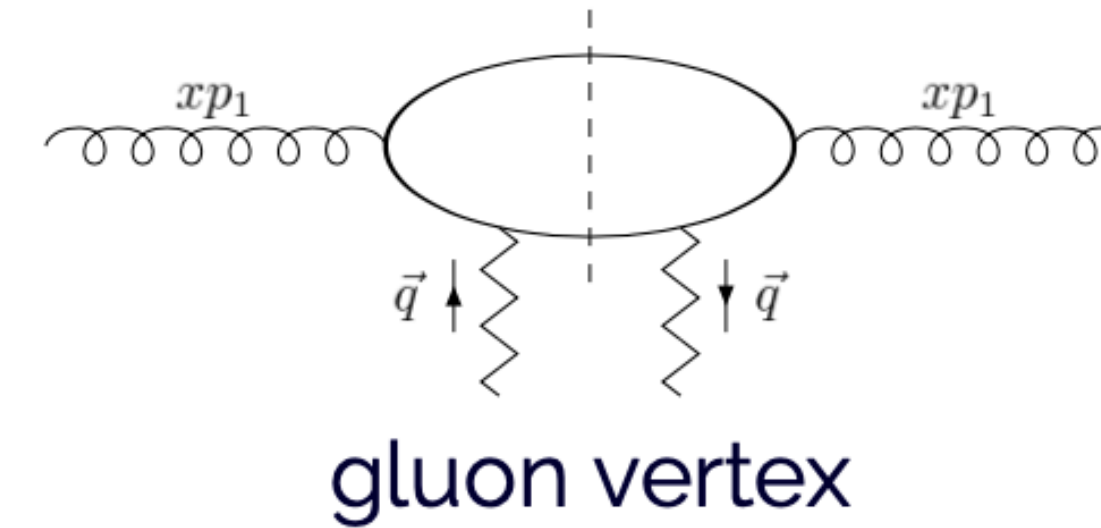
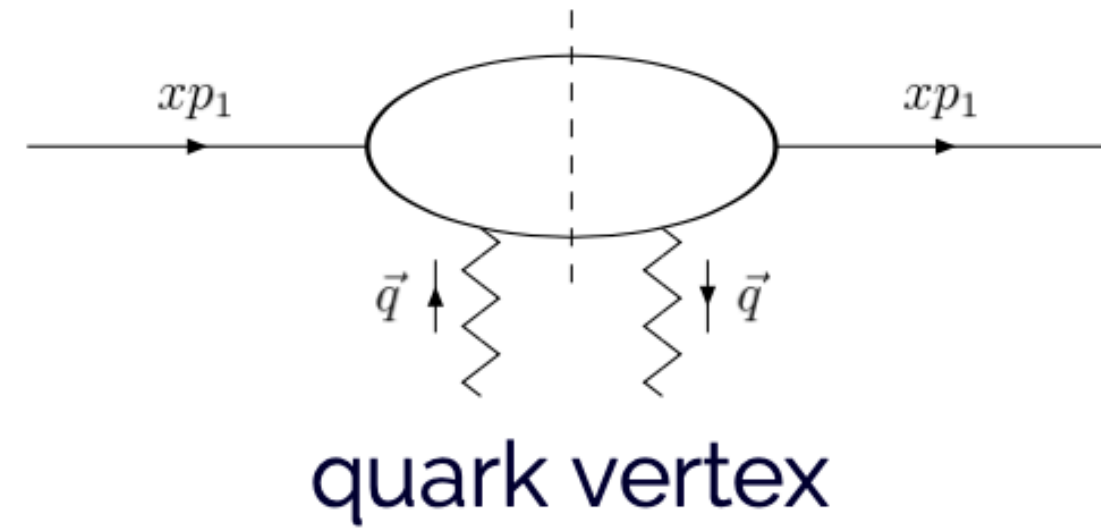
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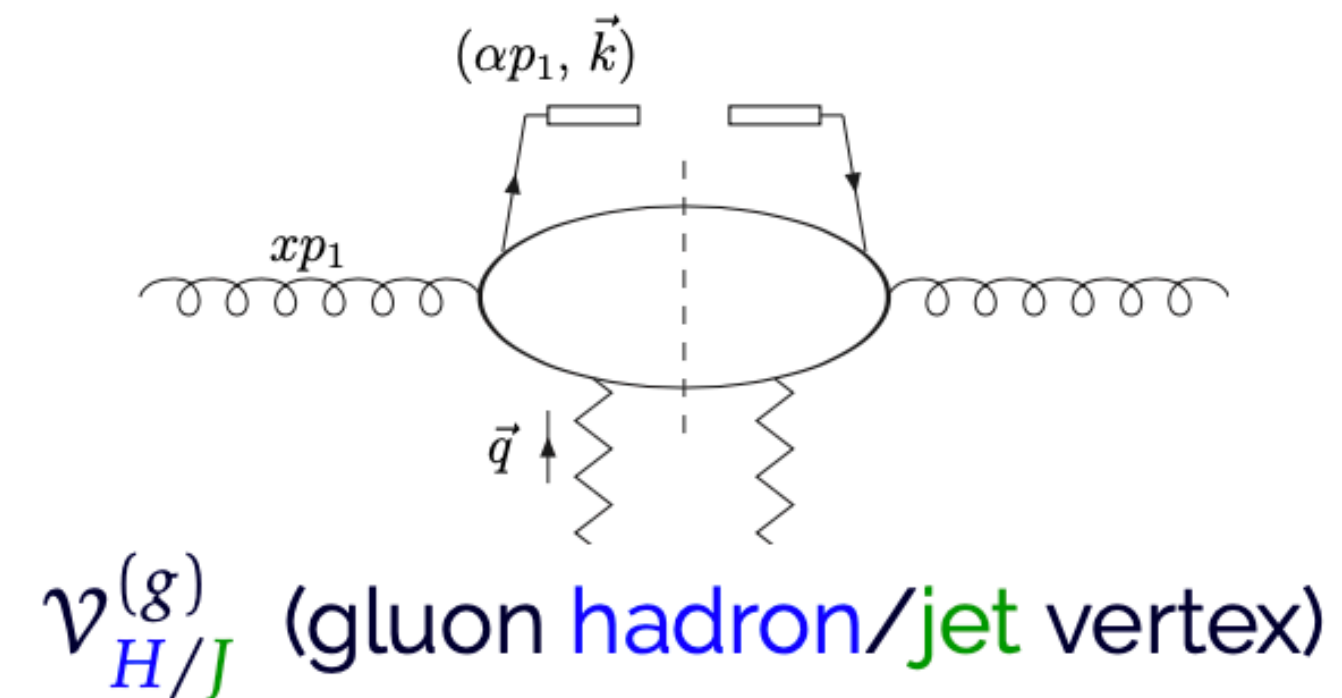
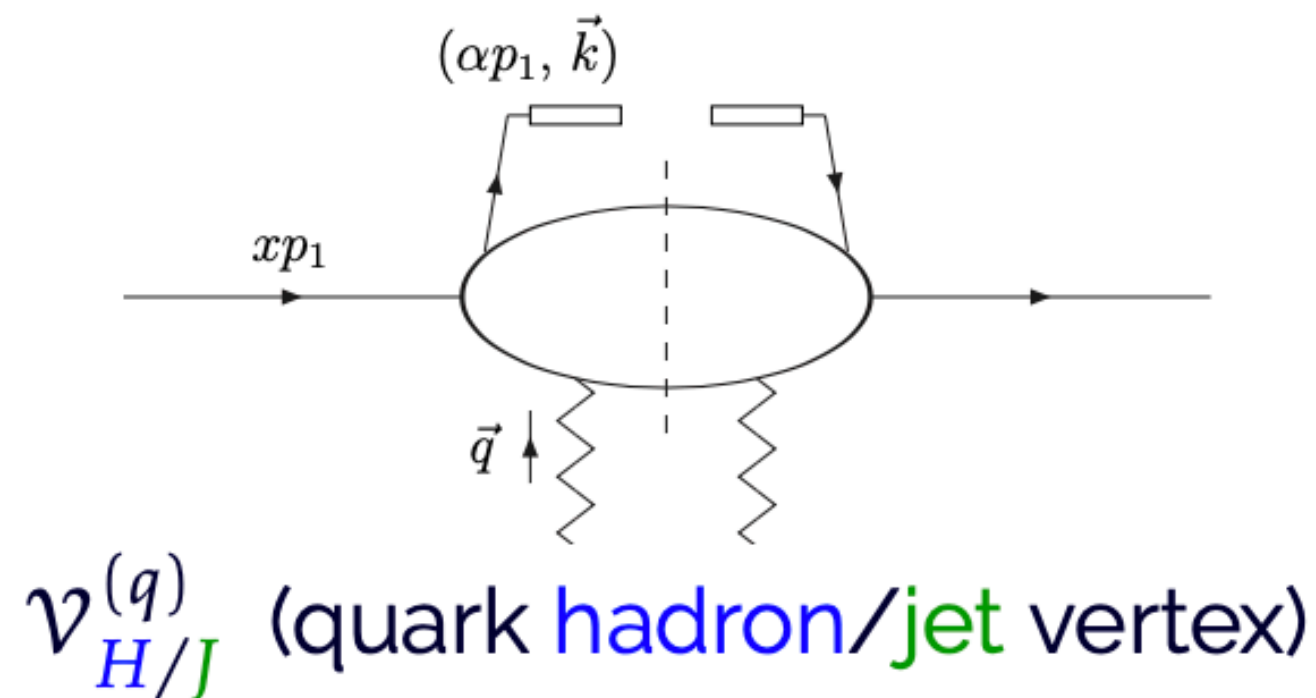
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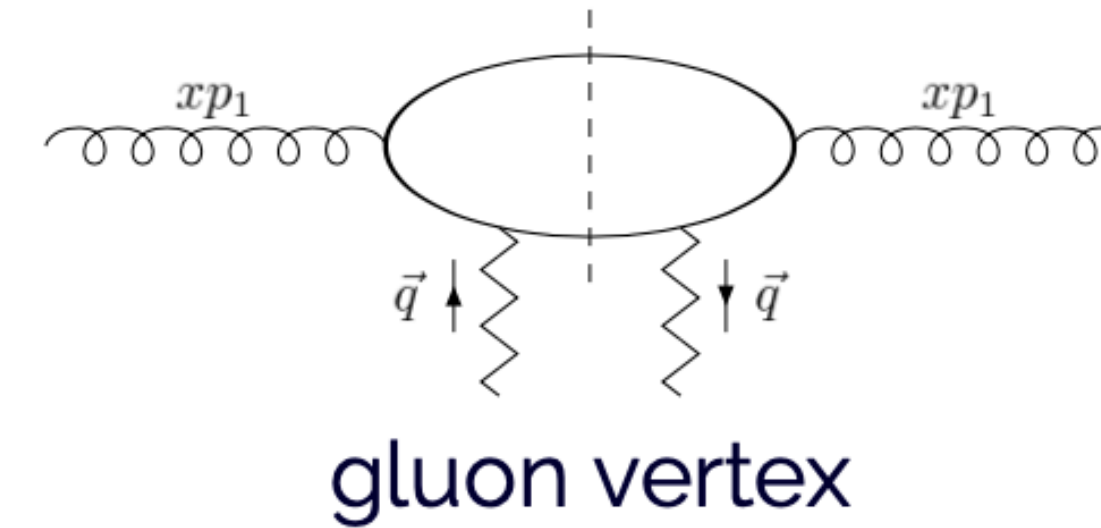
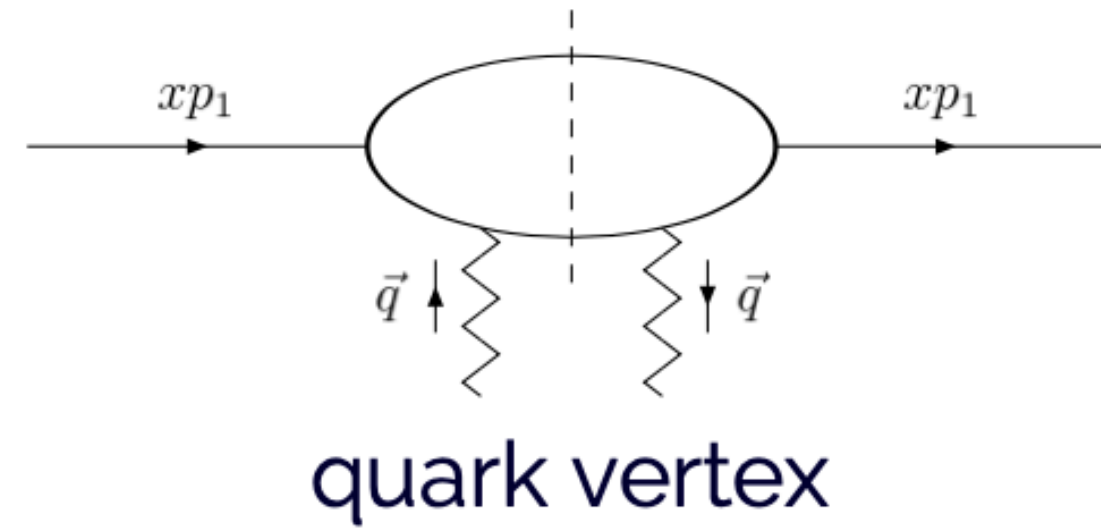
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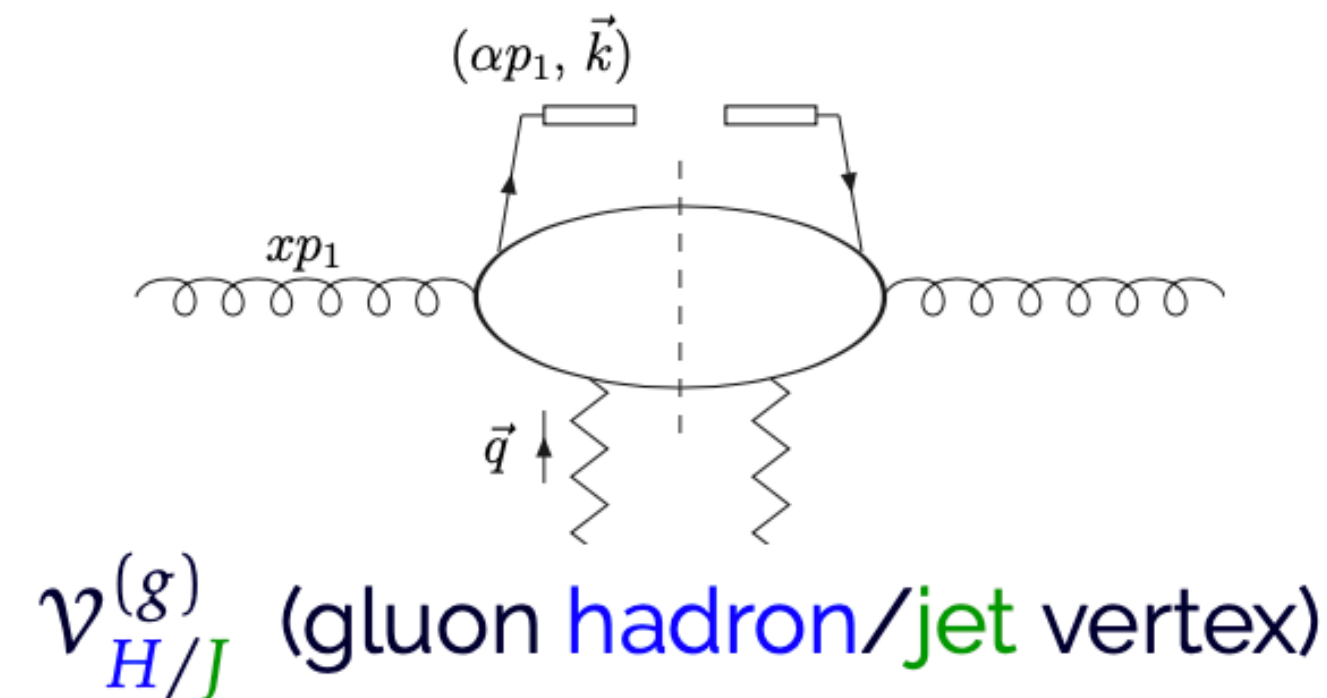
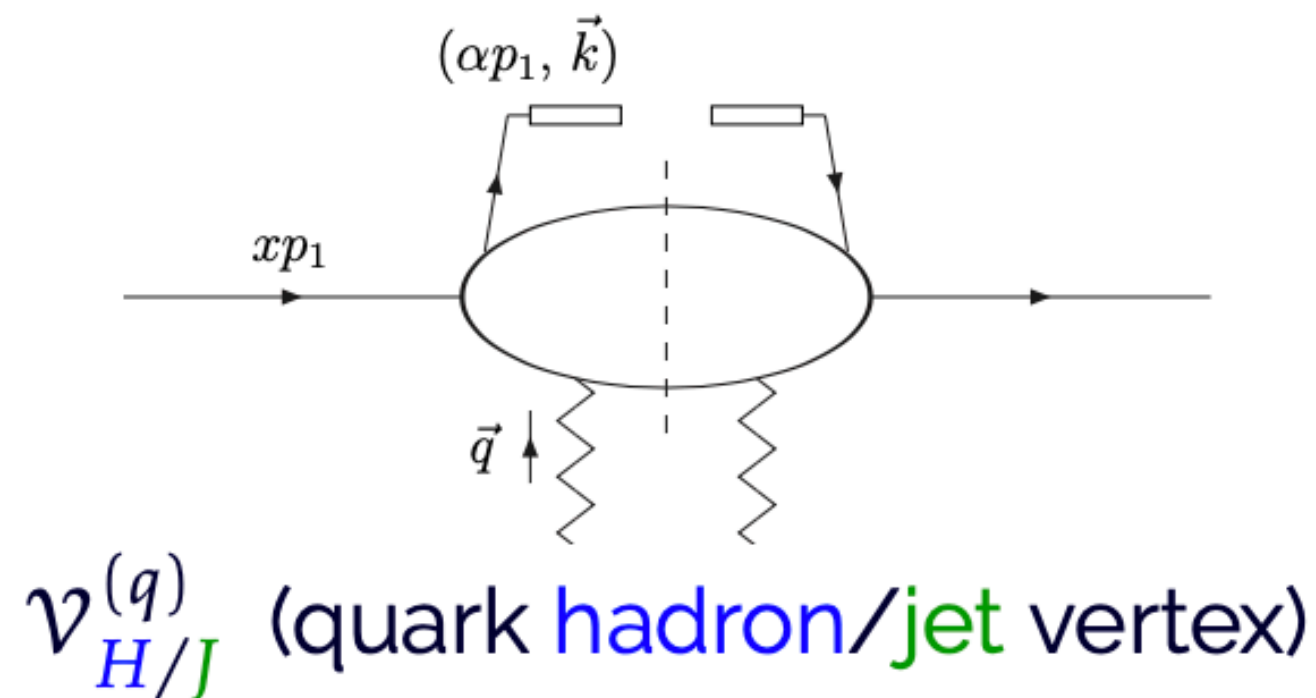
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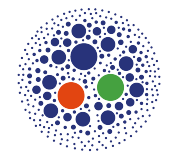
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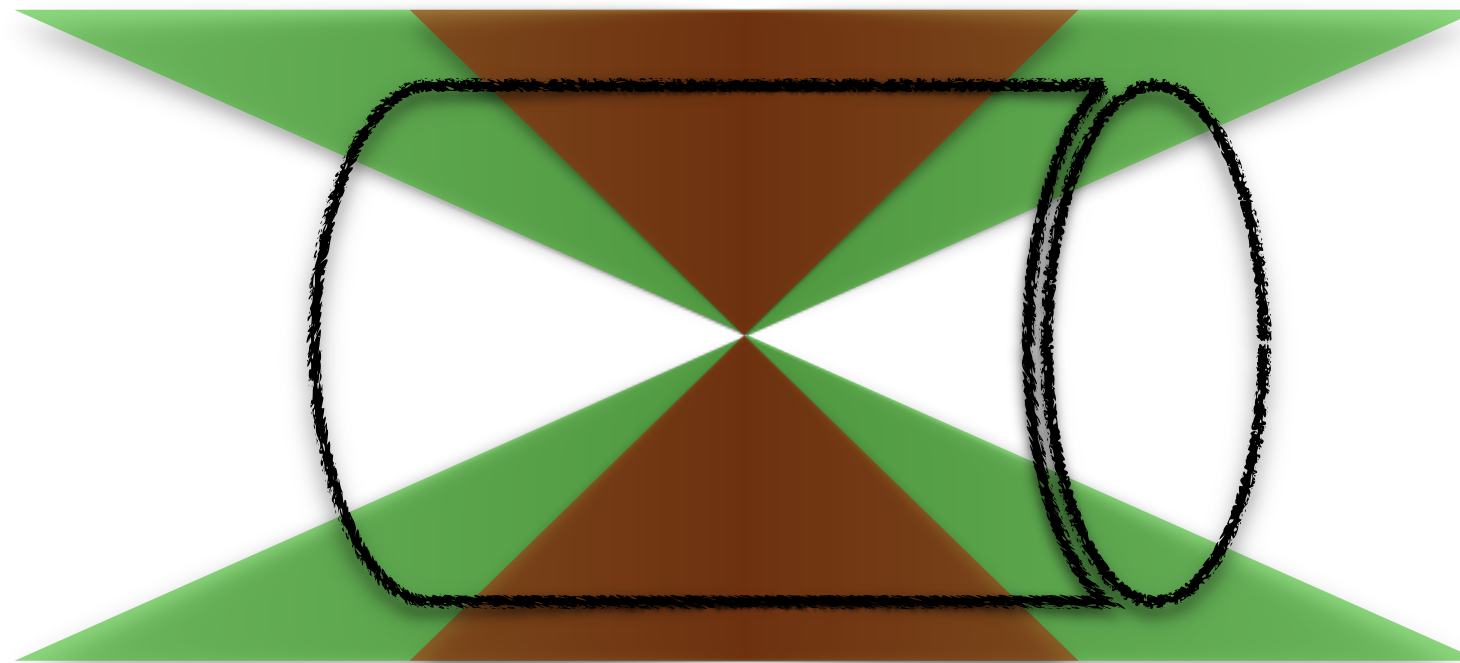
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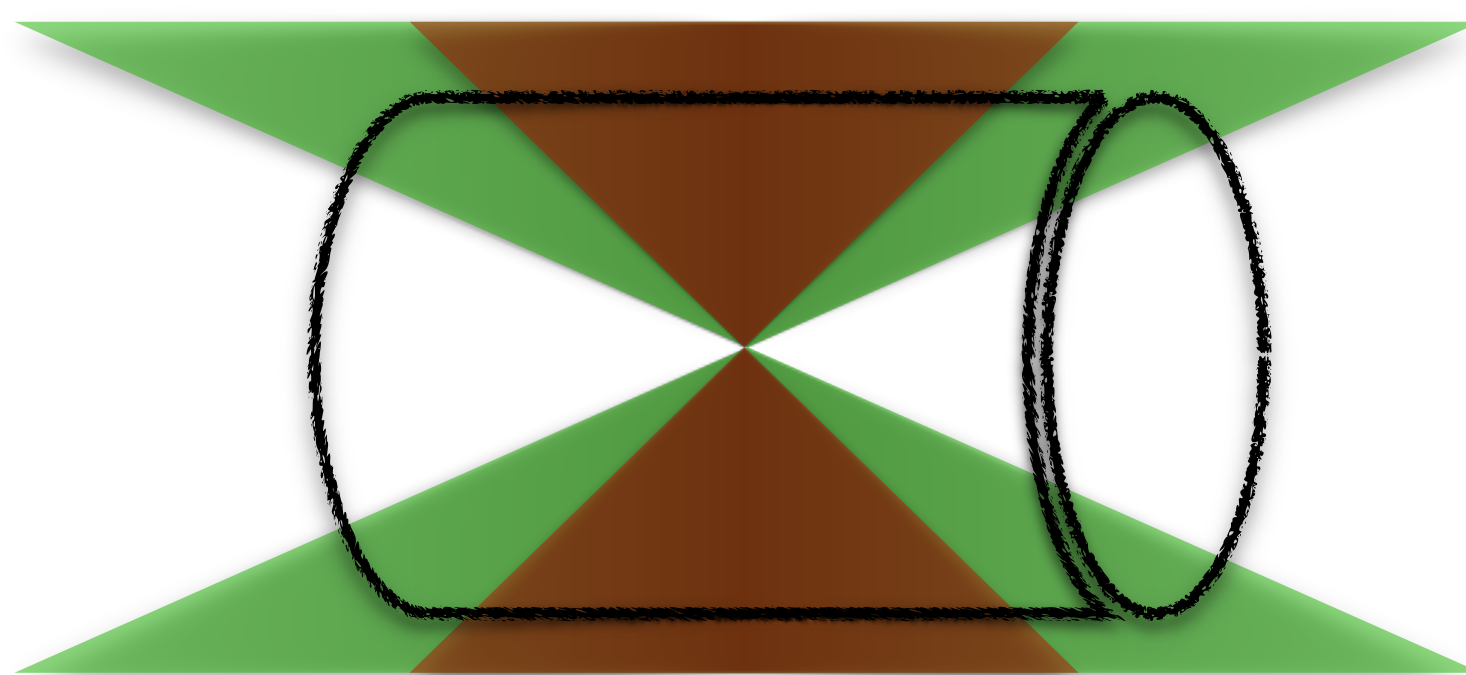
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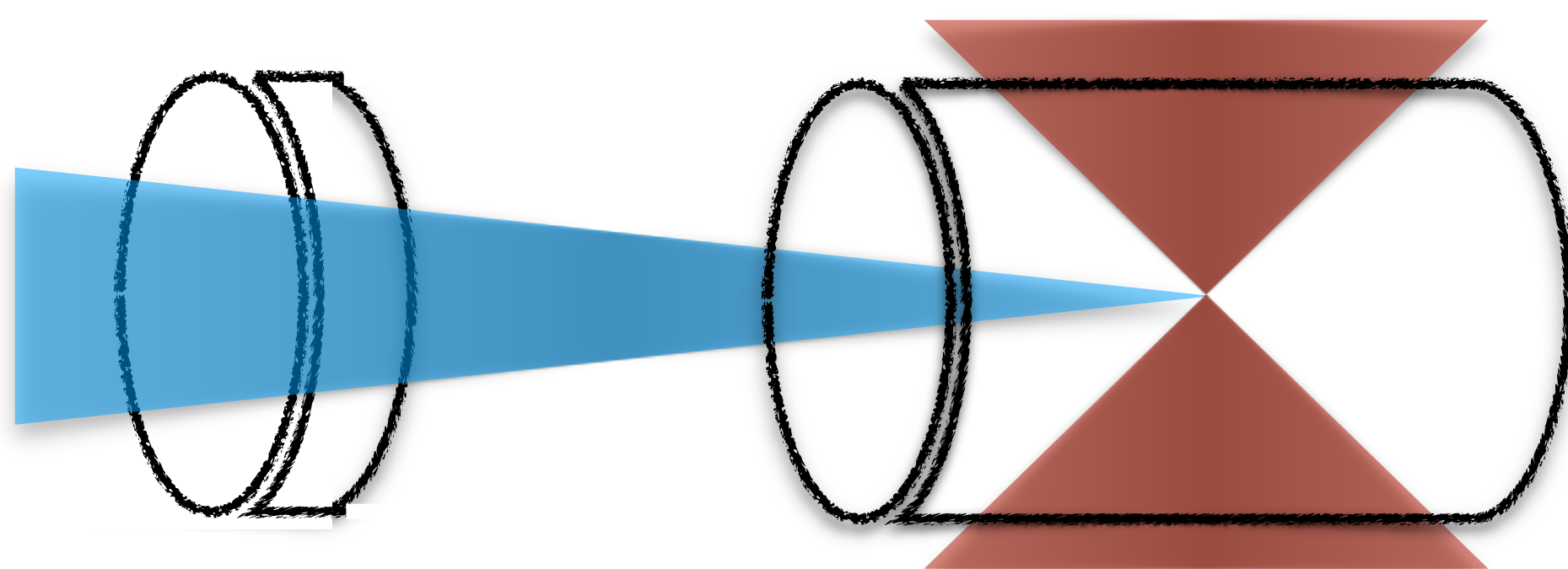
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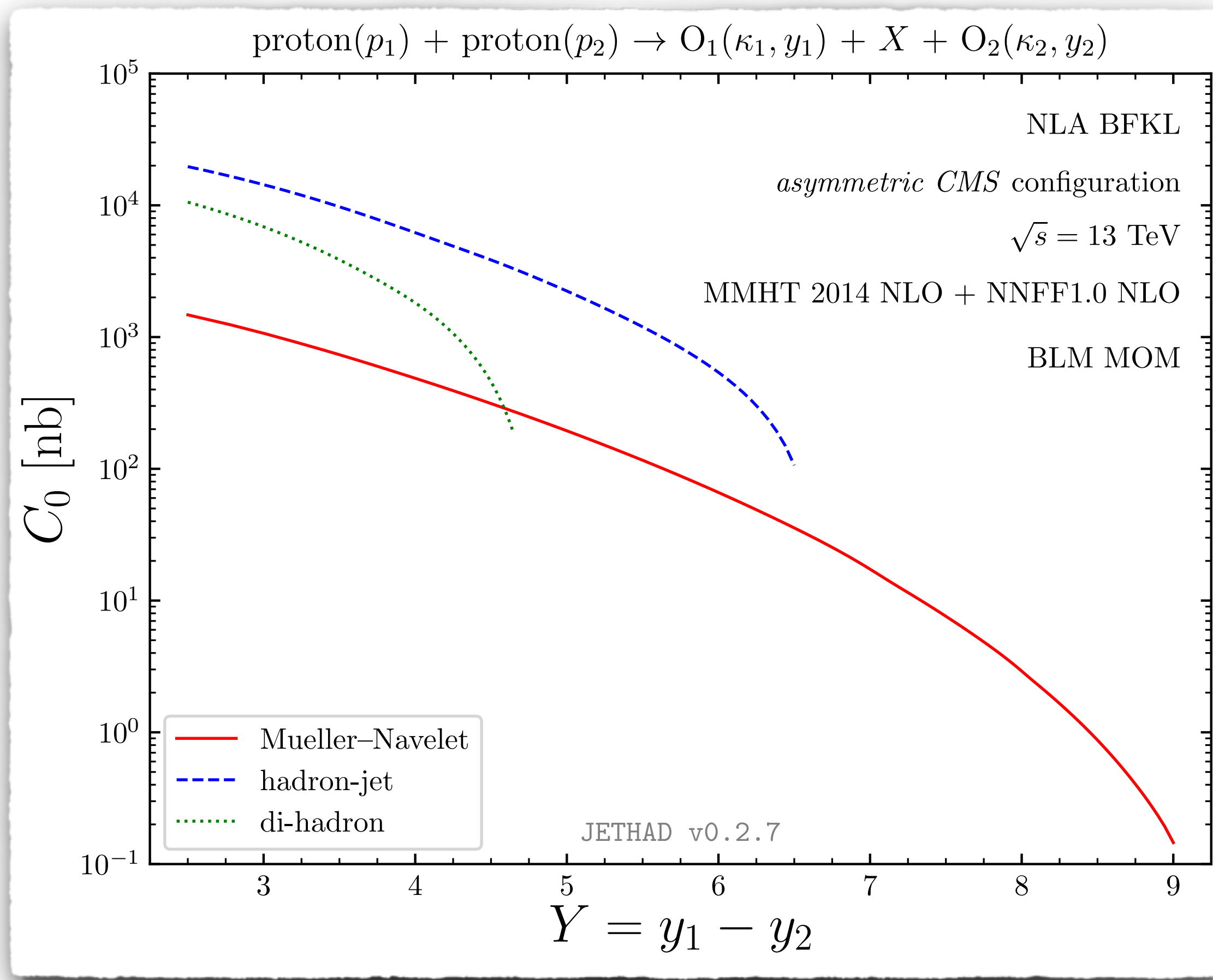
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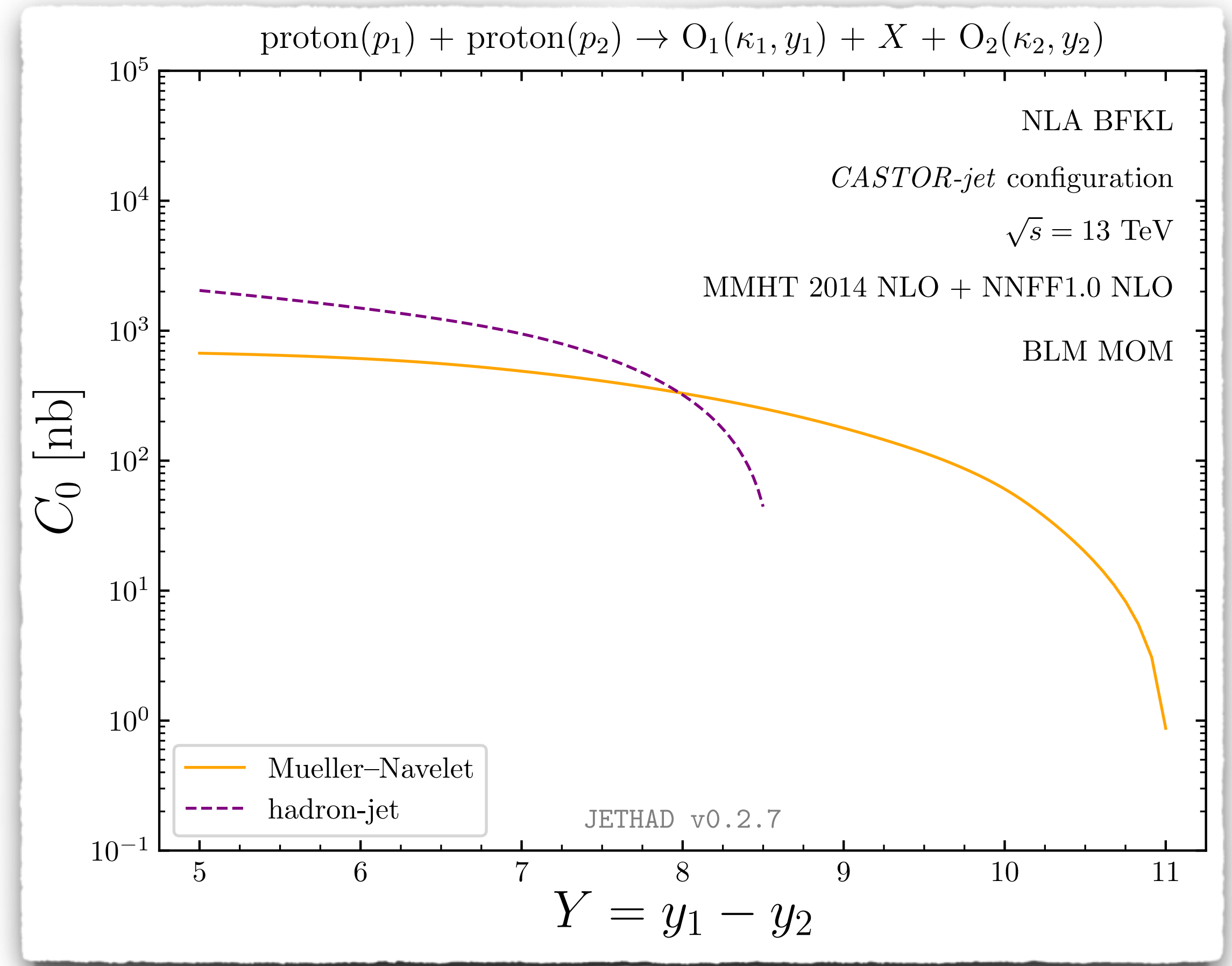
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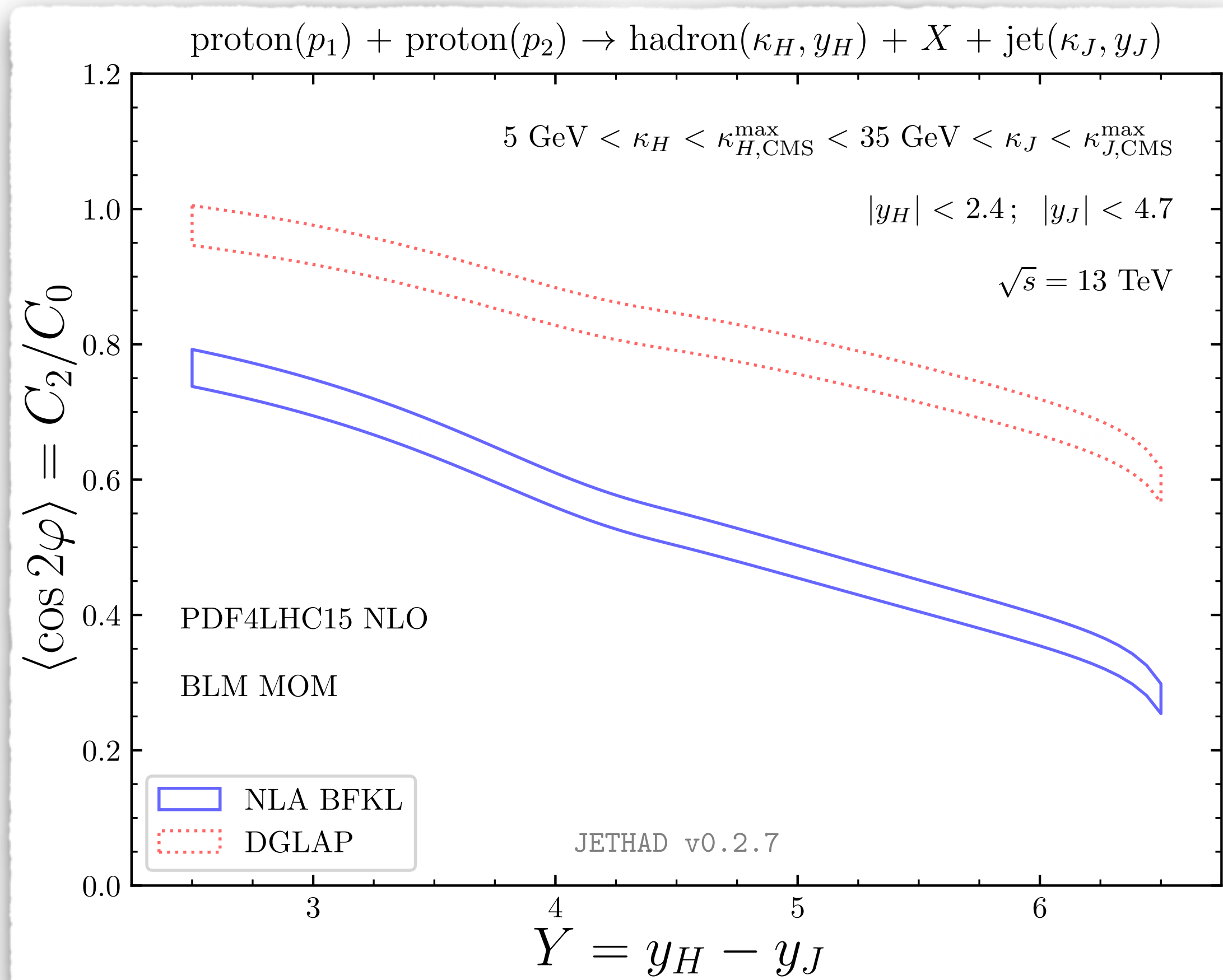


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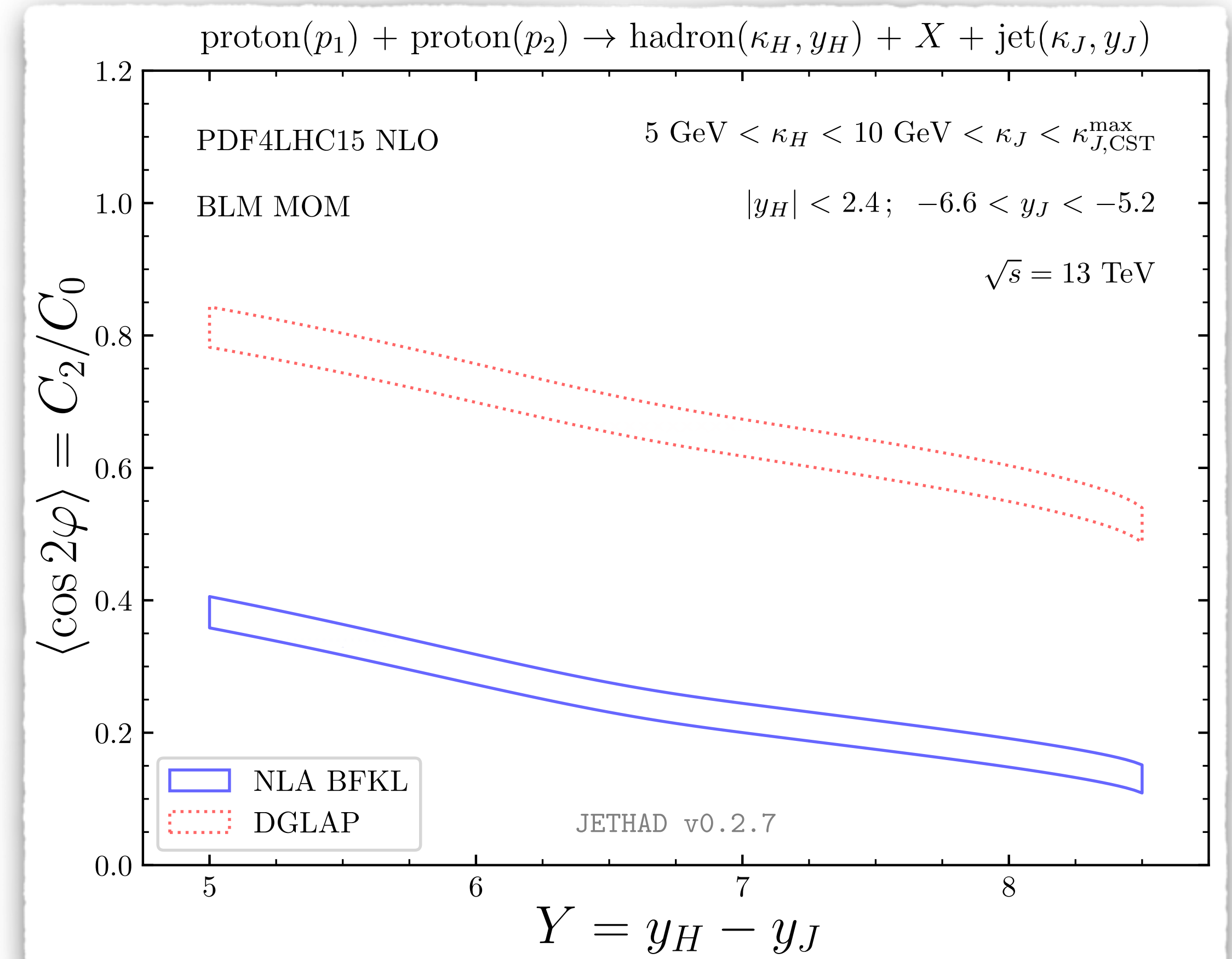


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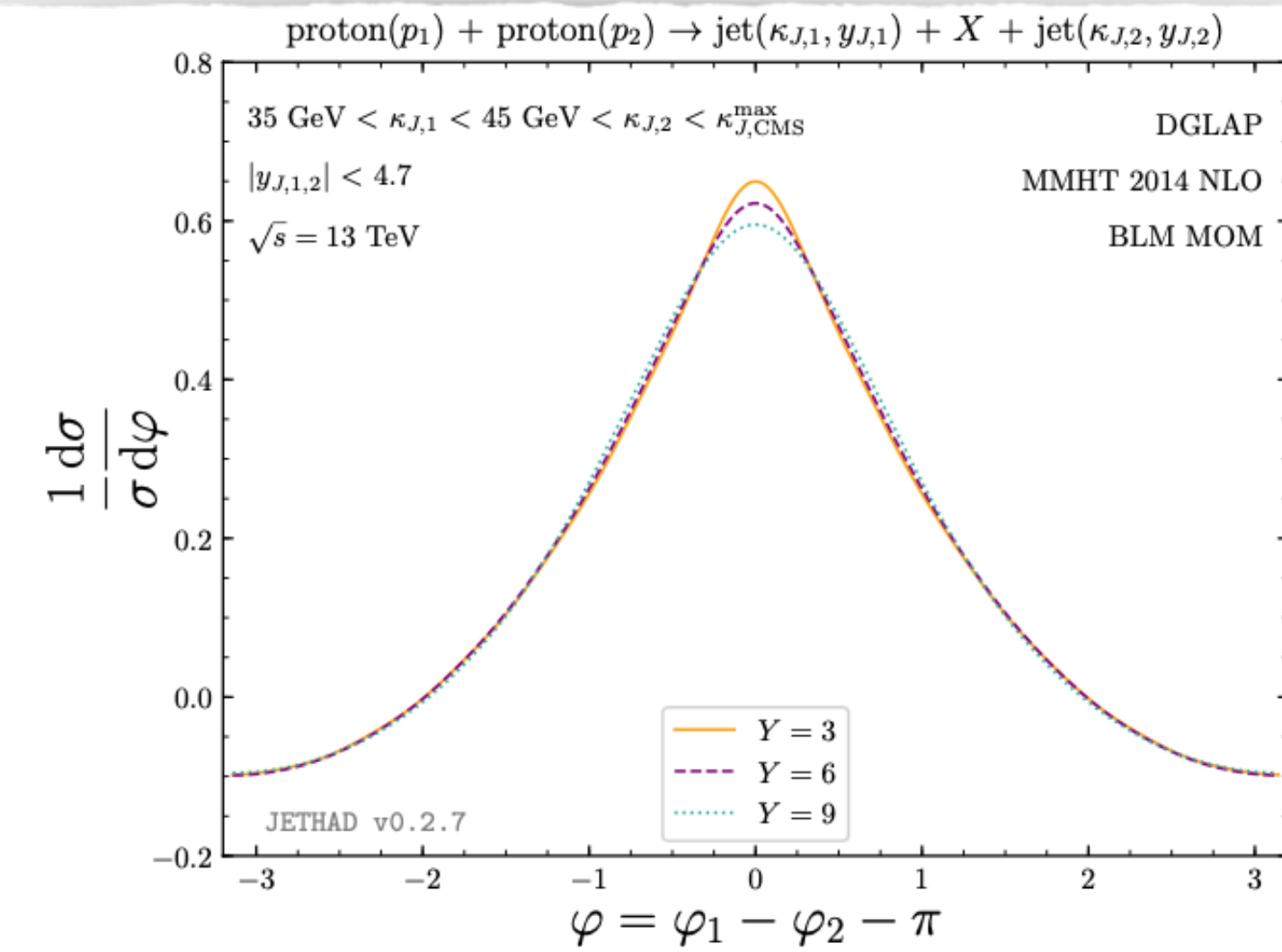
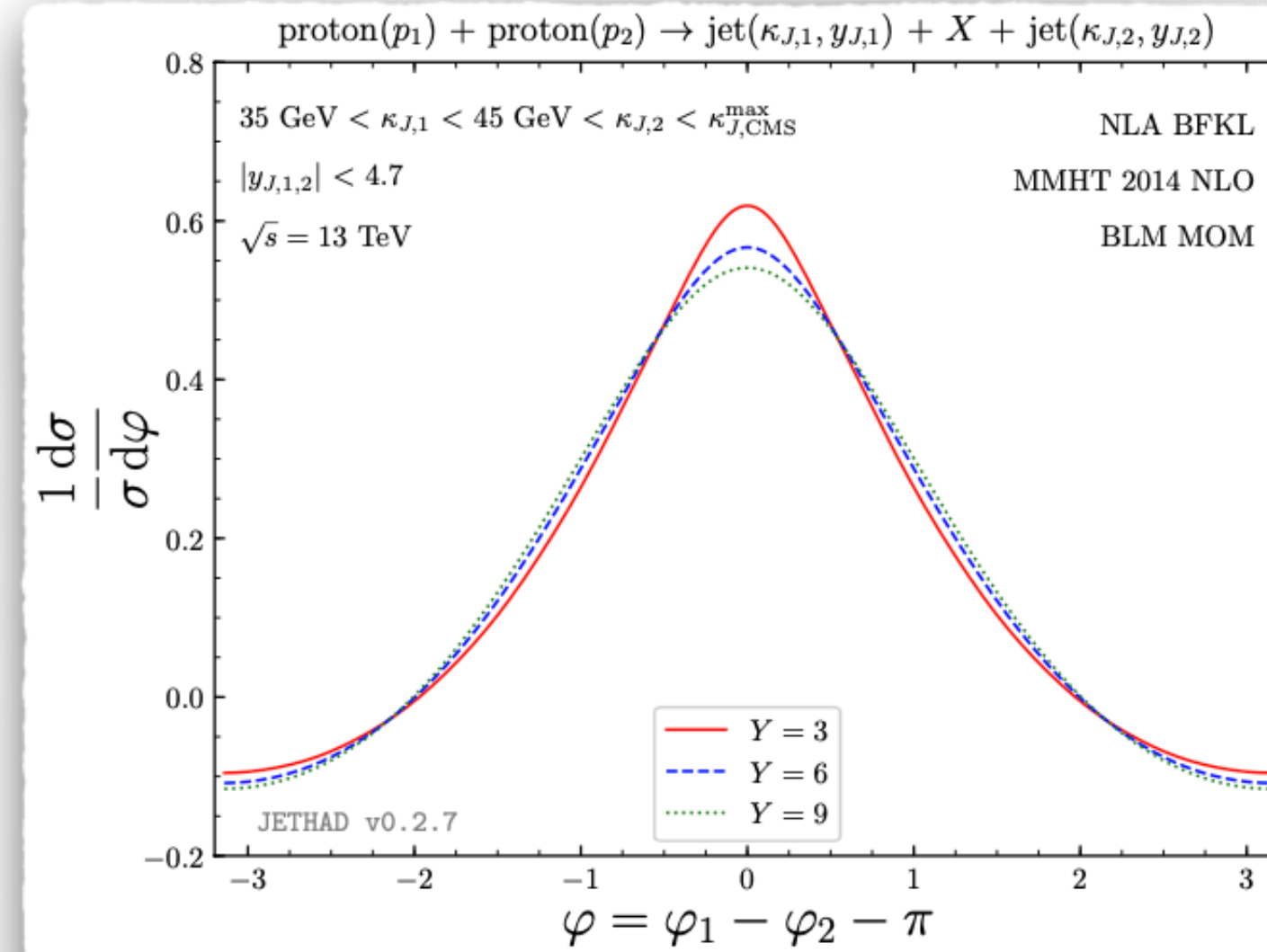


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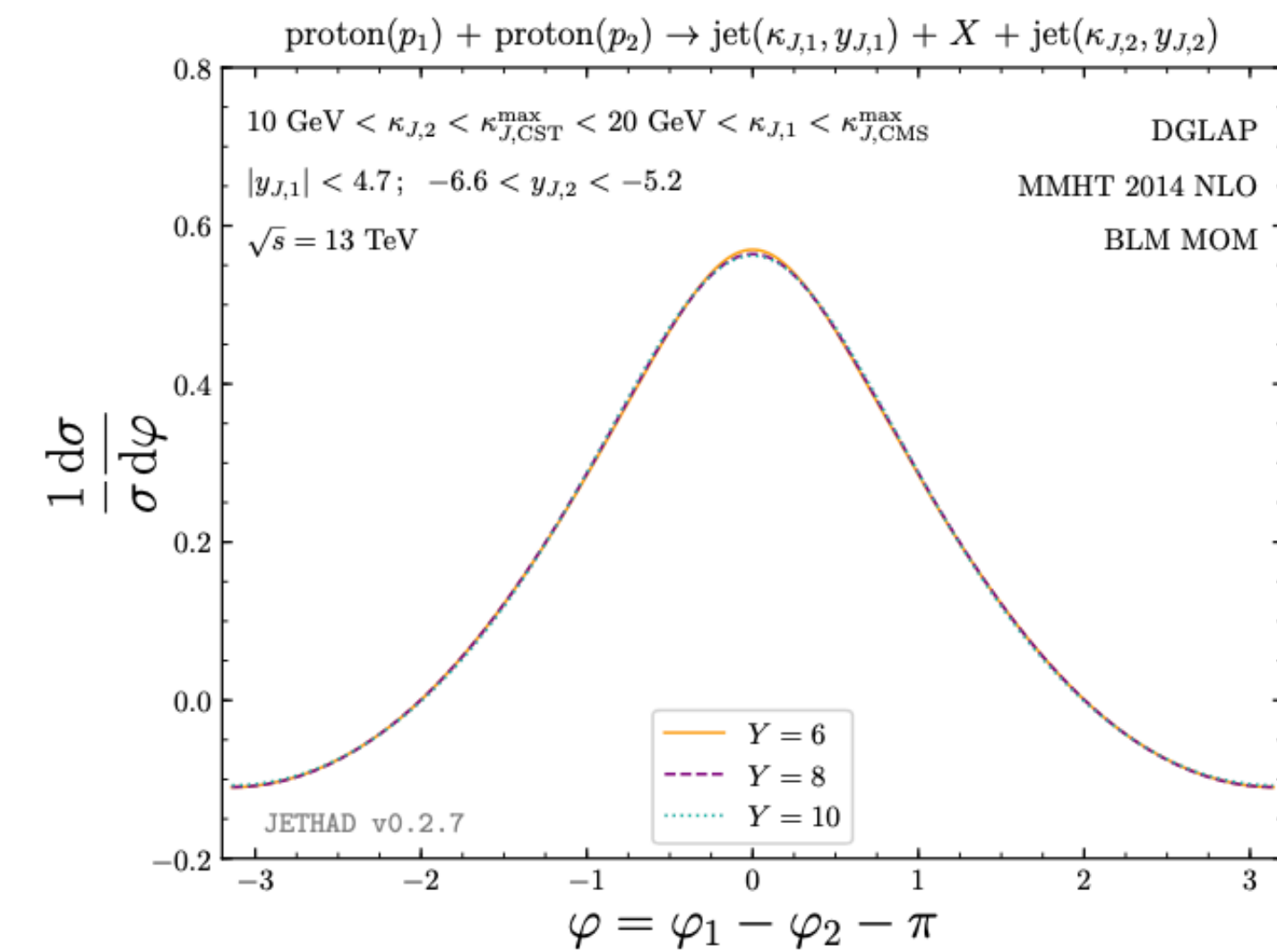
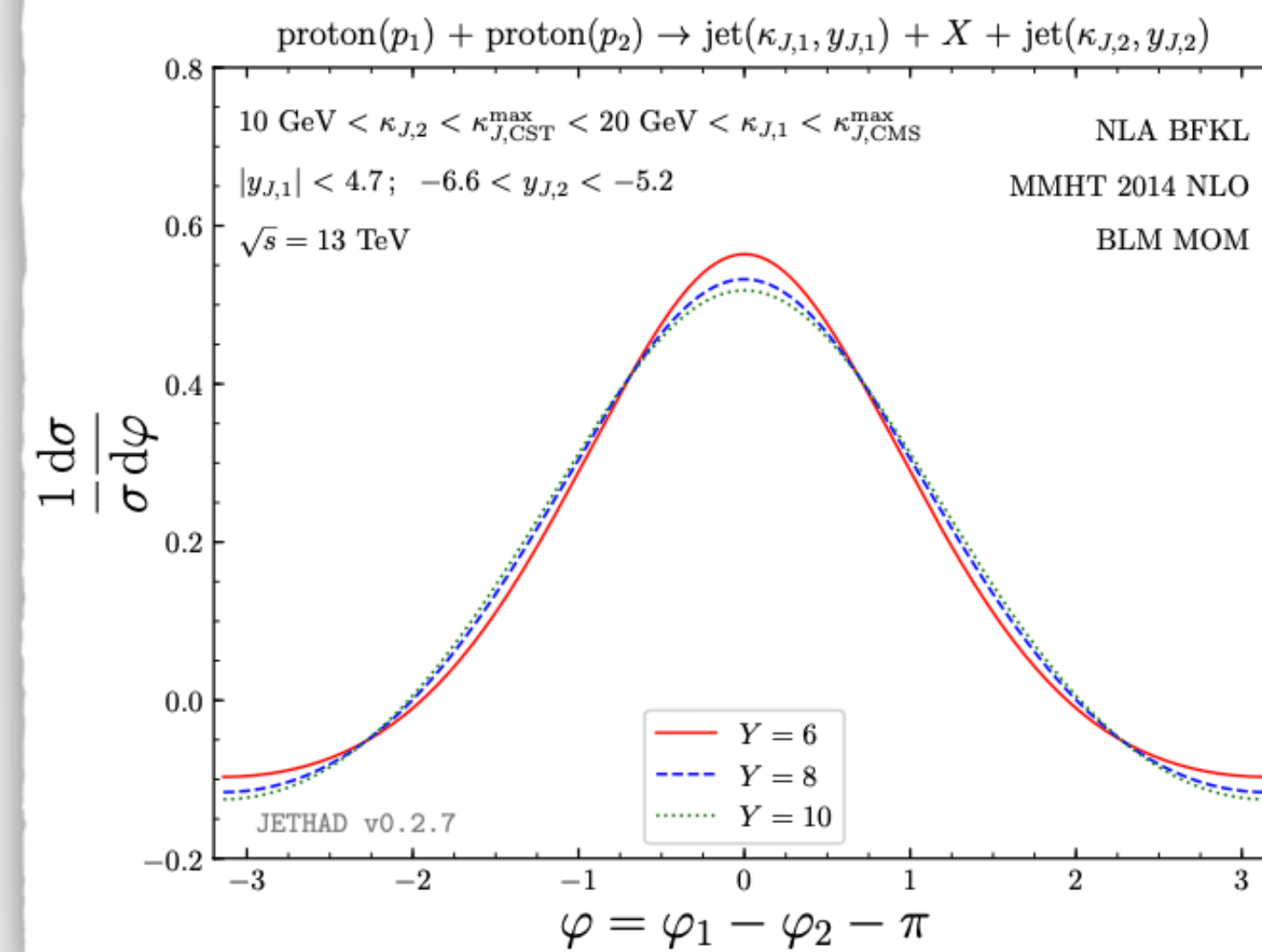
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- ✓ preserve the conformal invariance of an observable...
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\* "Exact" BLM:

suppress **NLO IFs** + **NLO Kernel**  $\beta_0$ -dependent factors

\* Partial (approximated) BLM:

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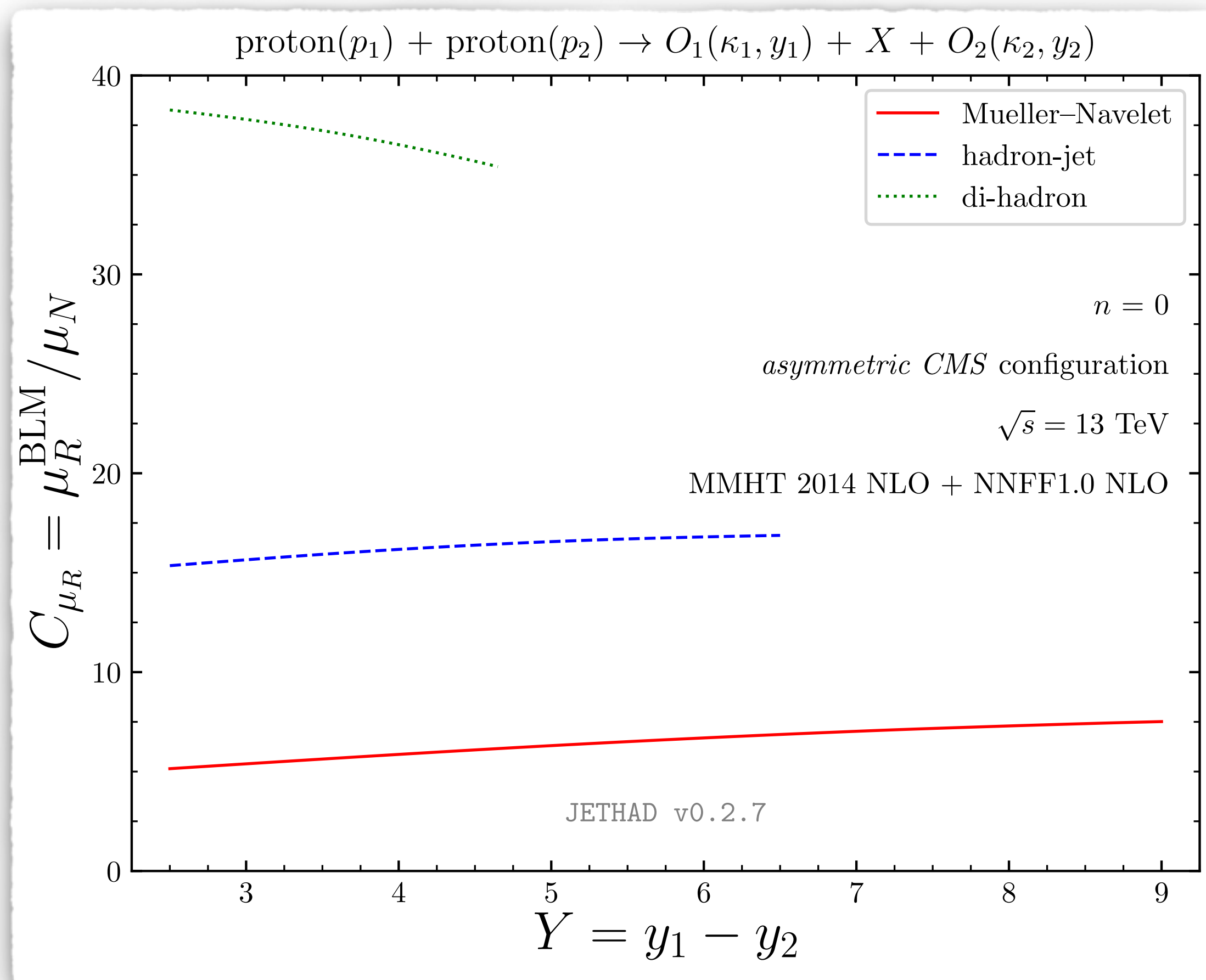
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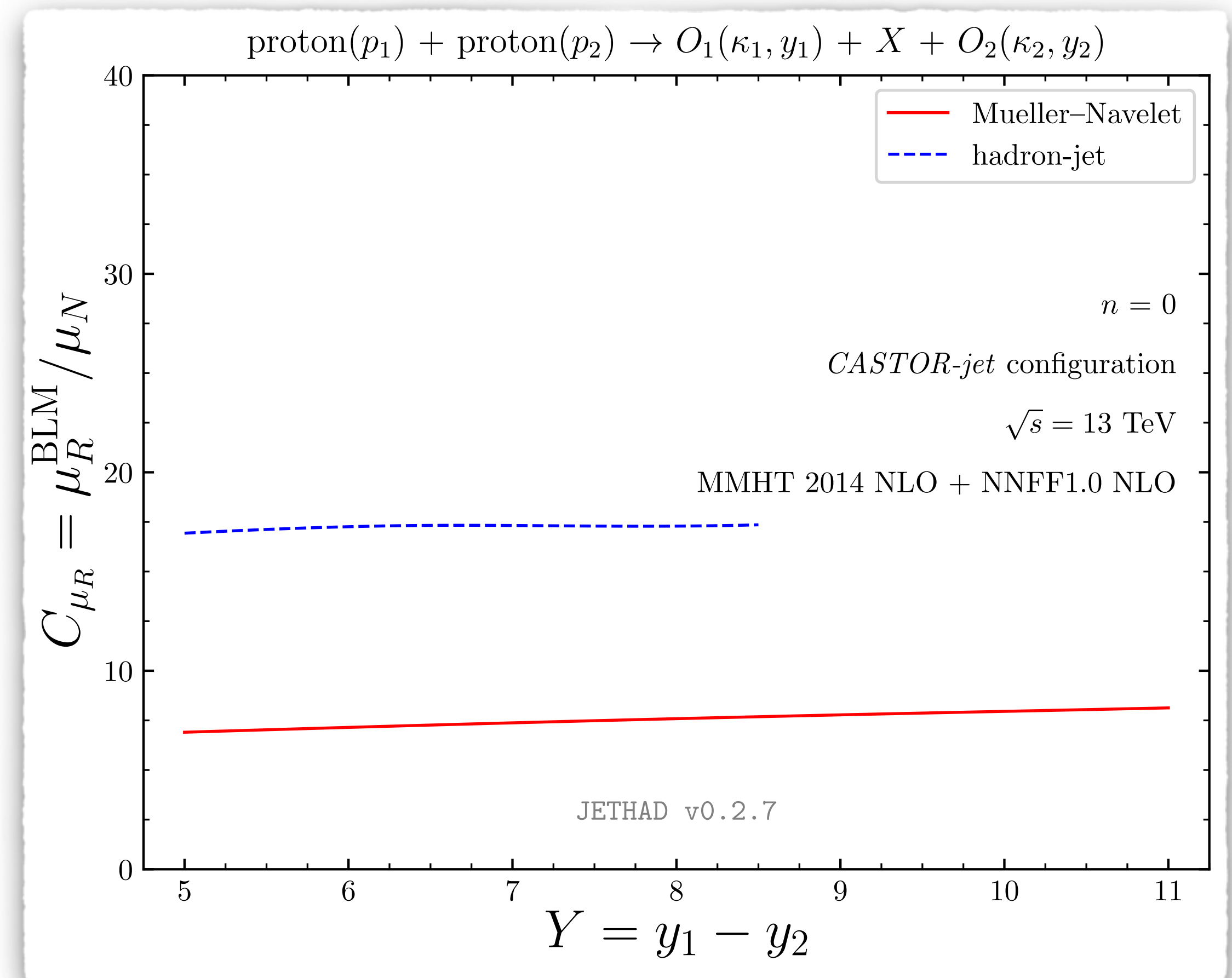
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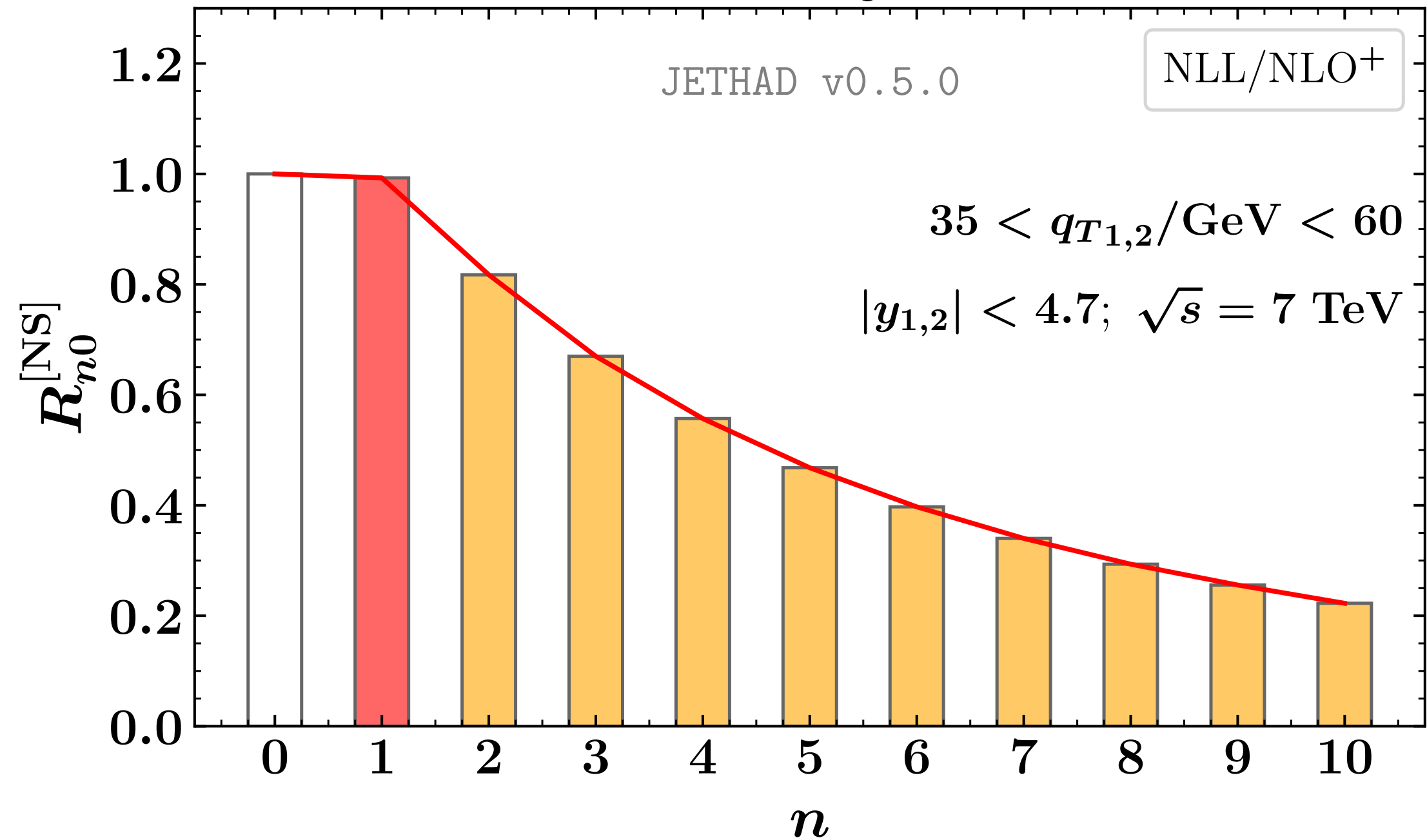


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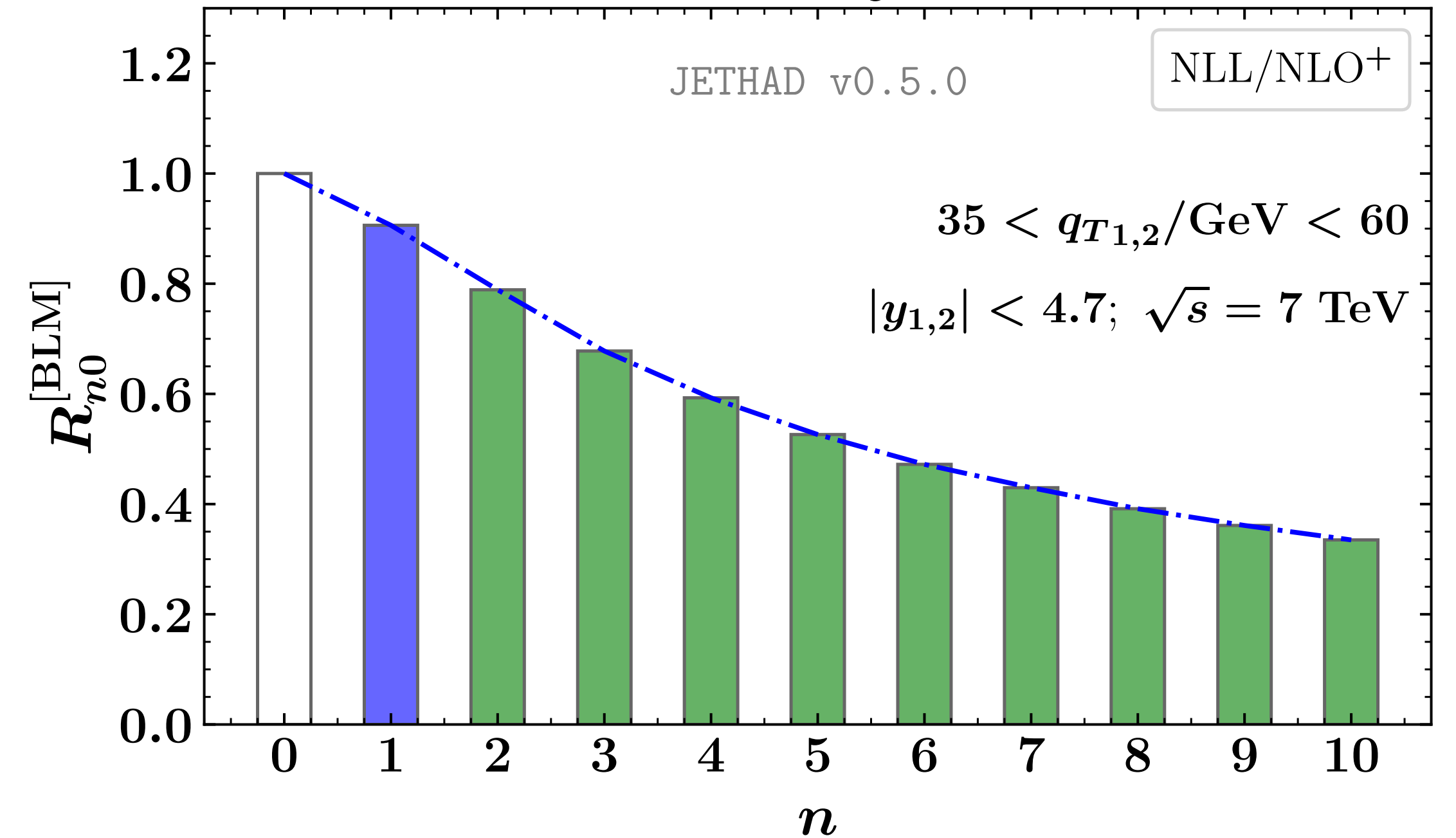
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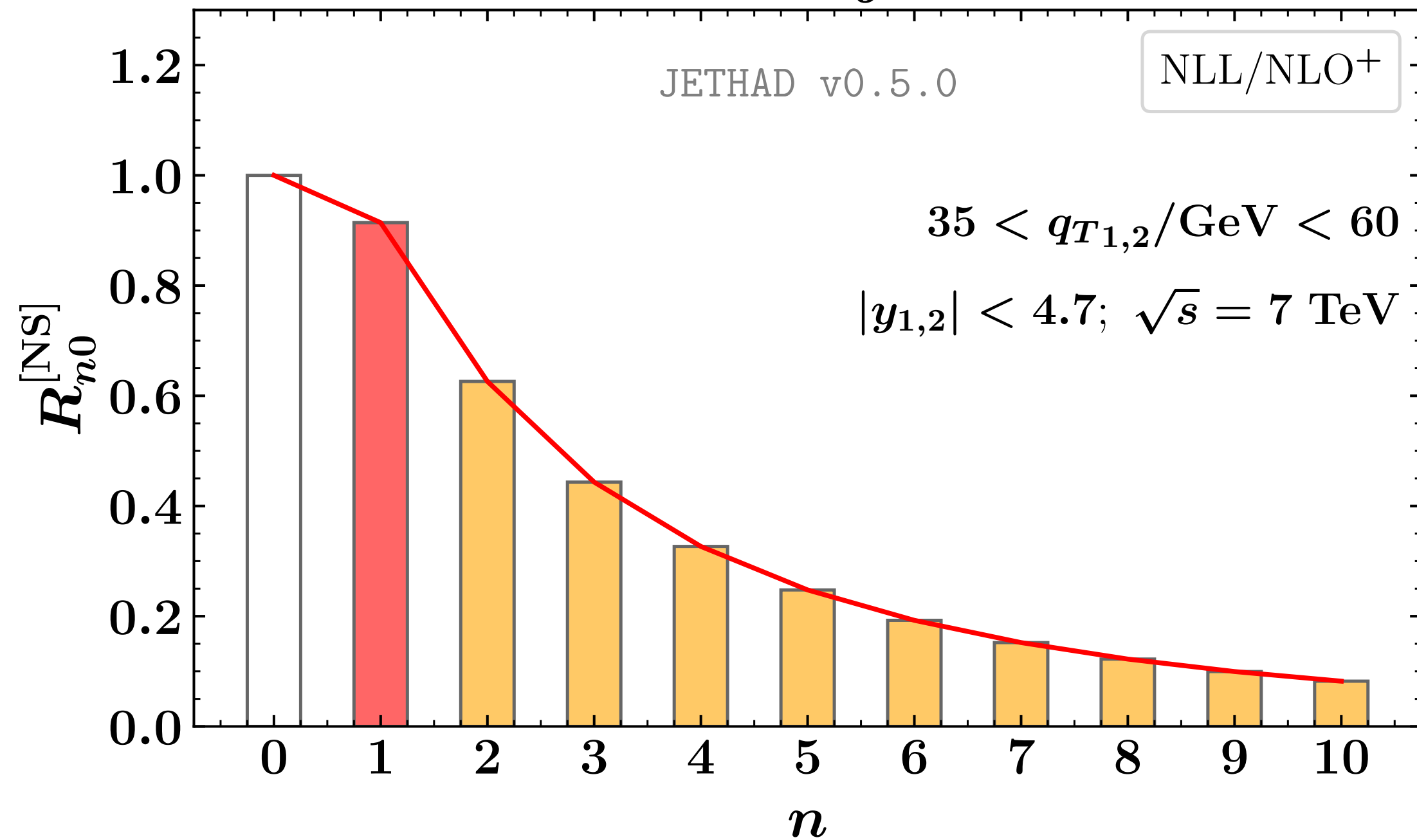


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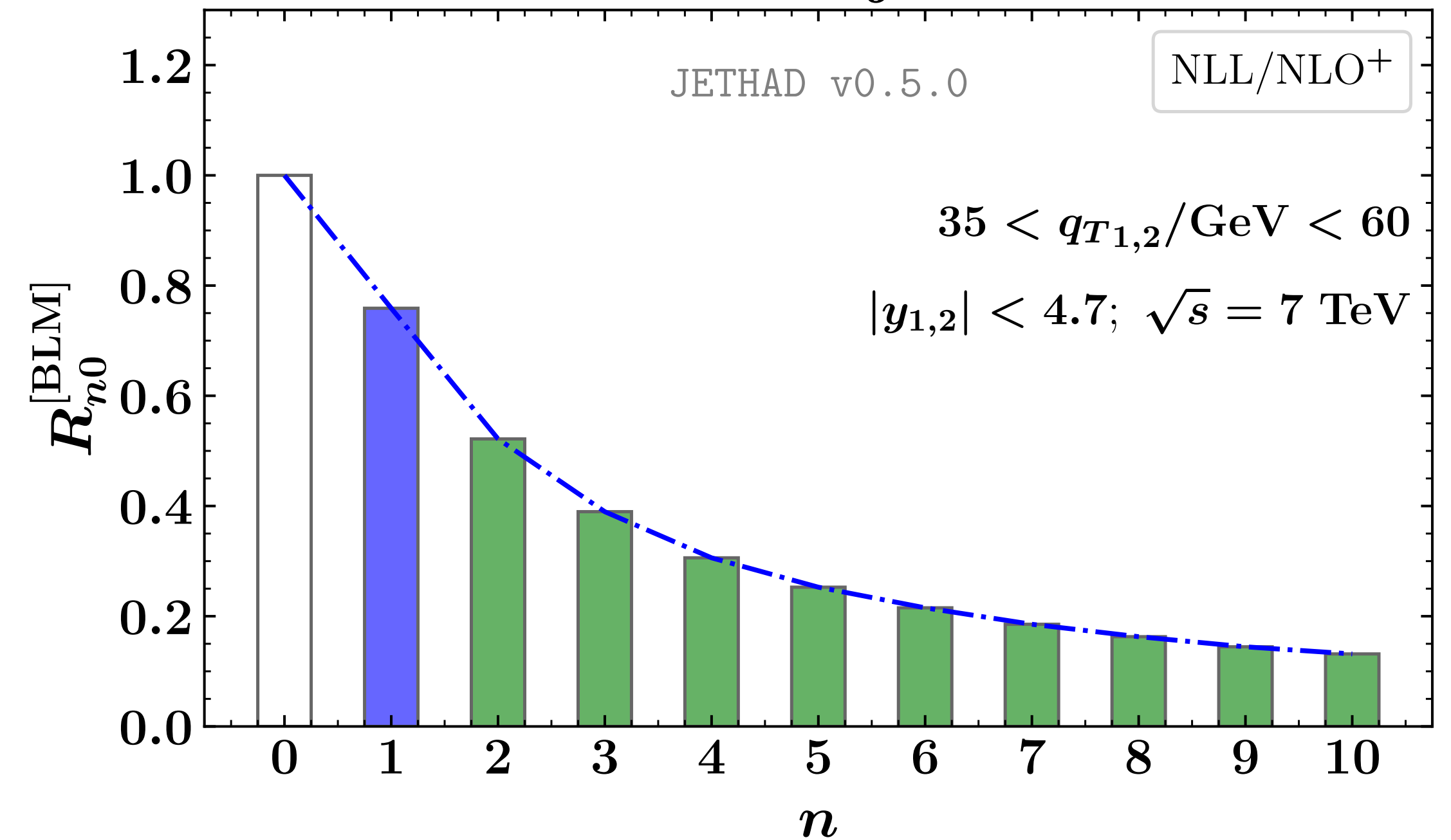
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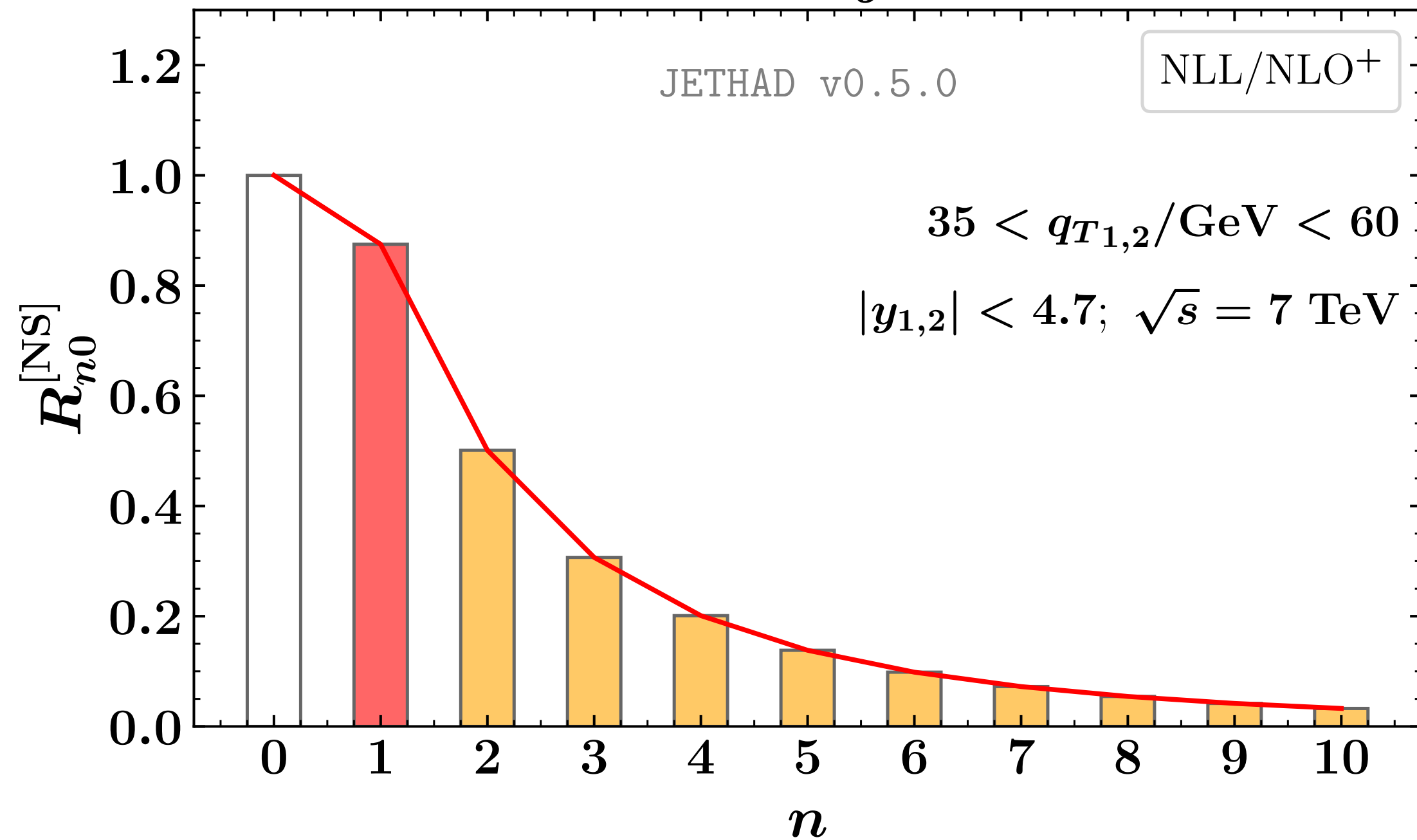


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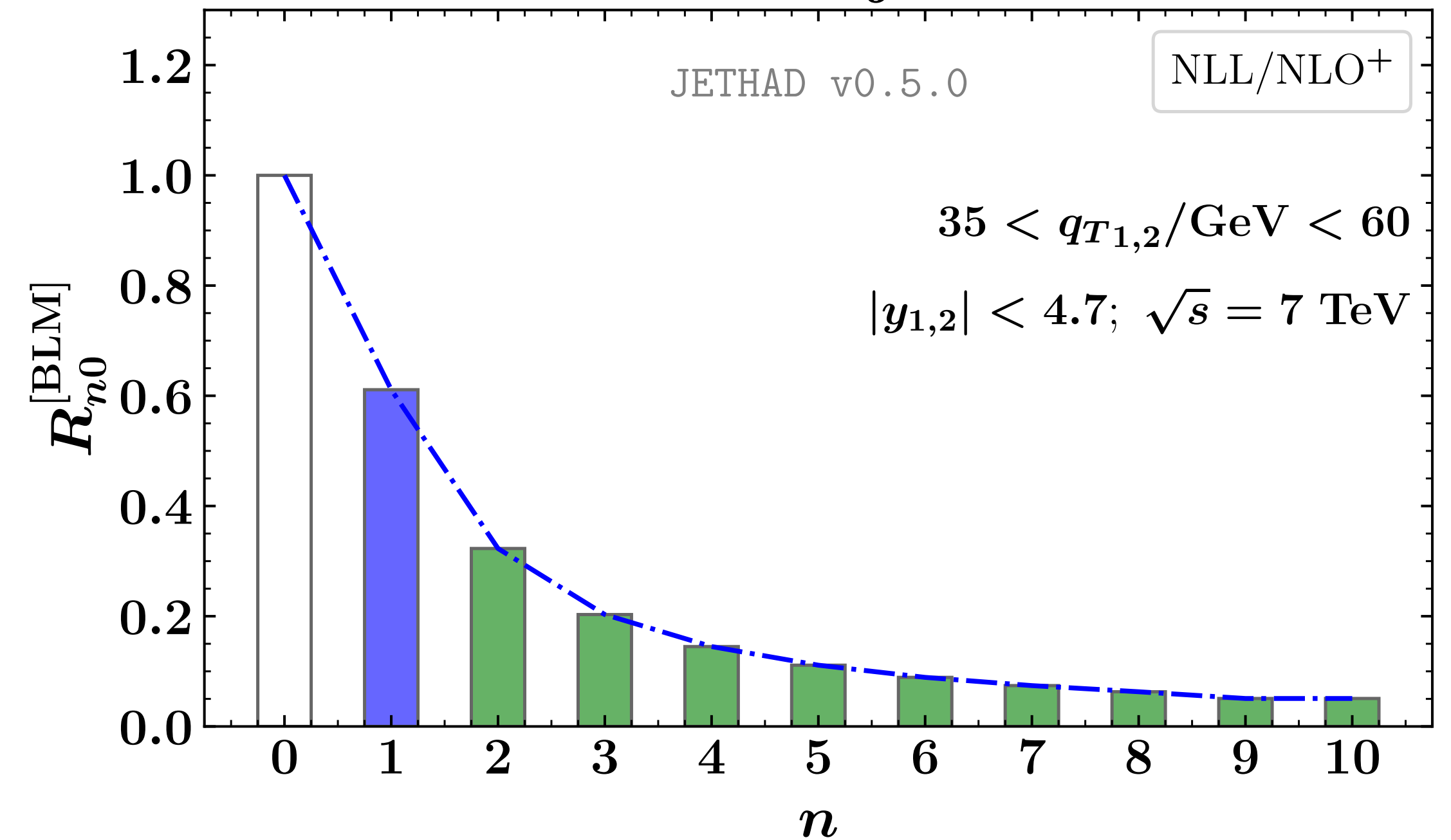
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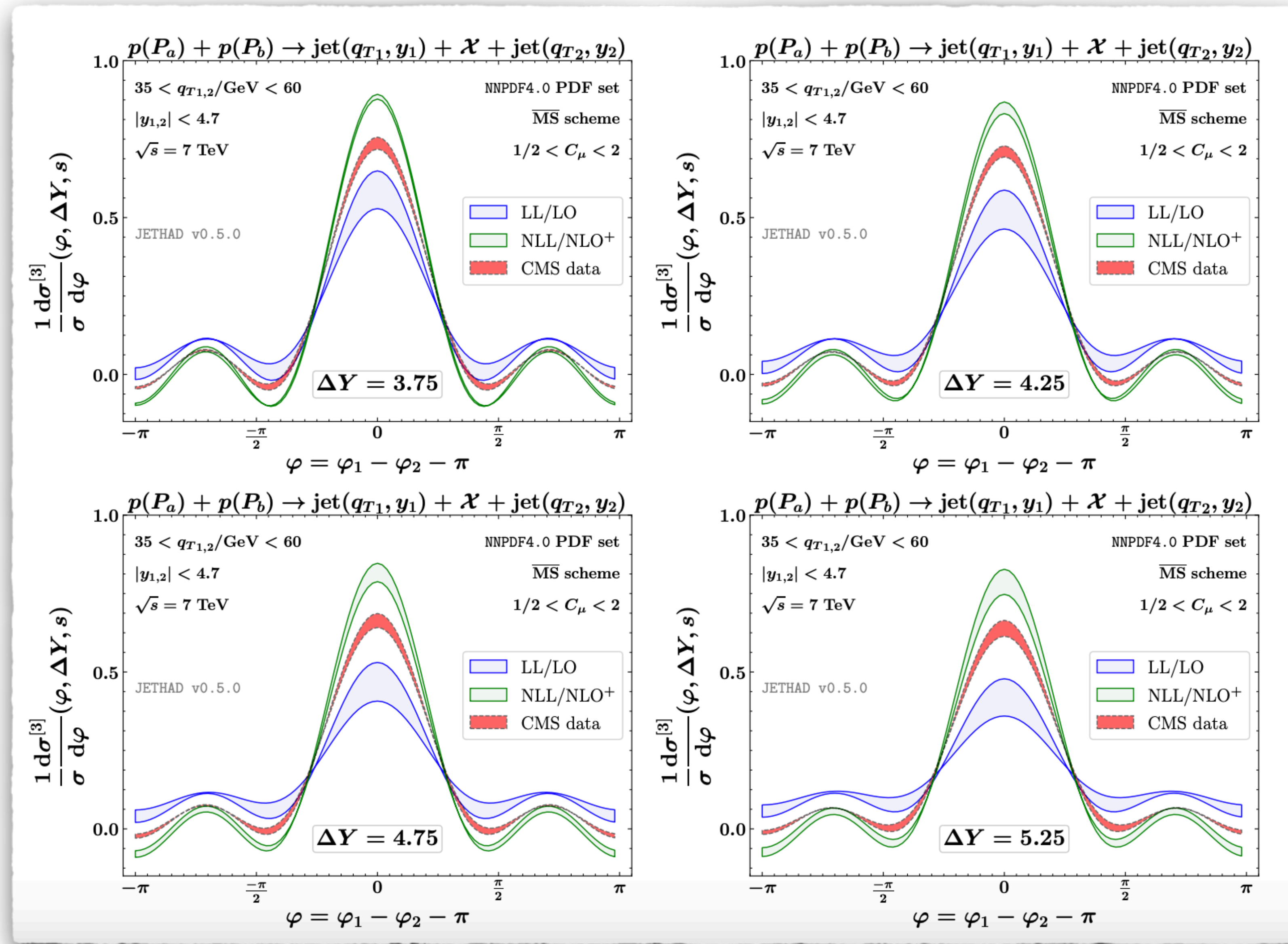
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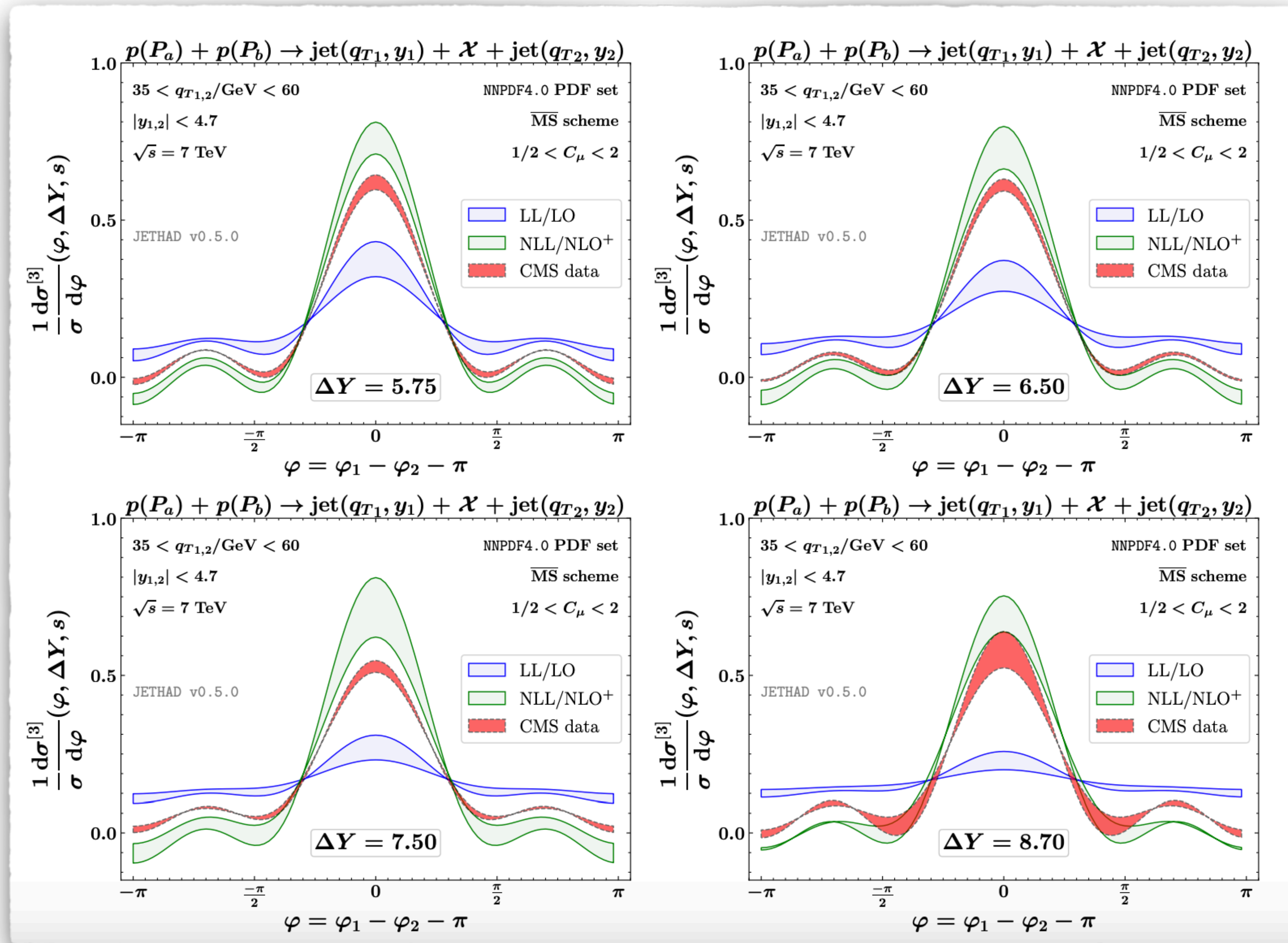


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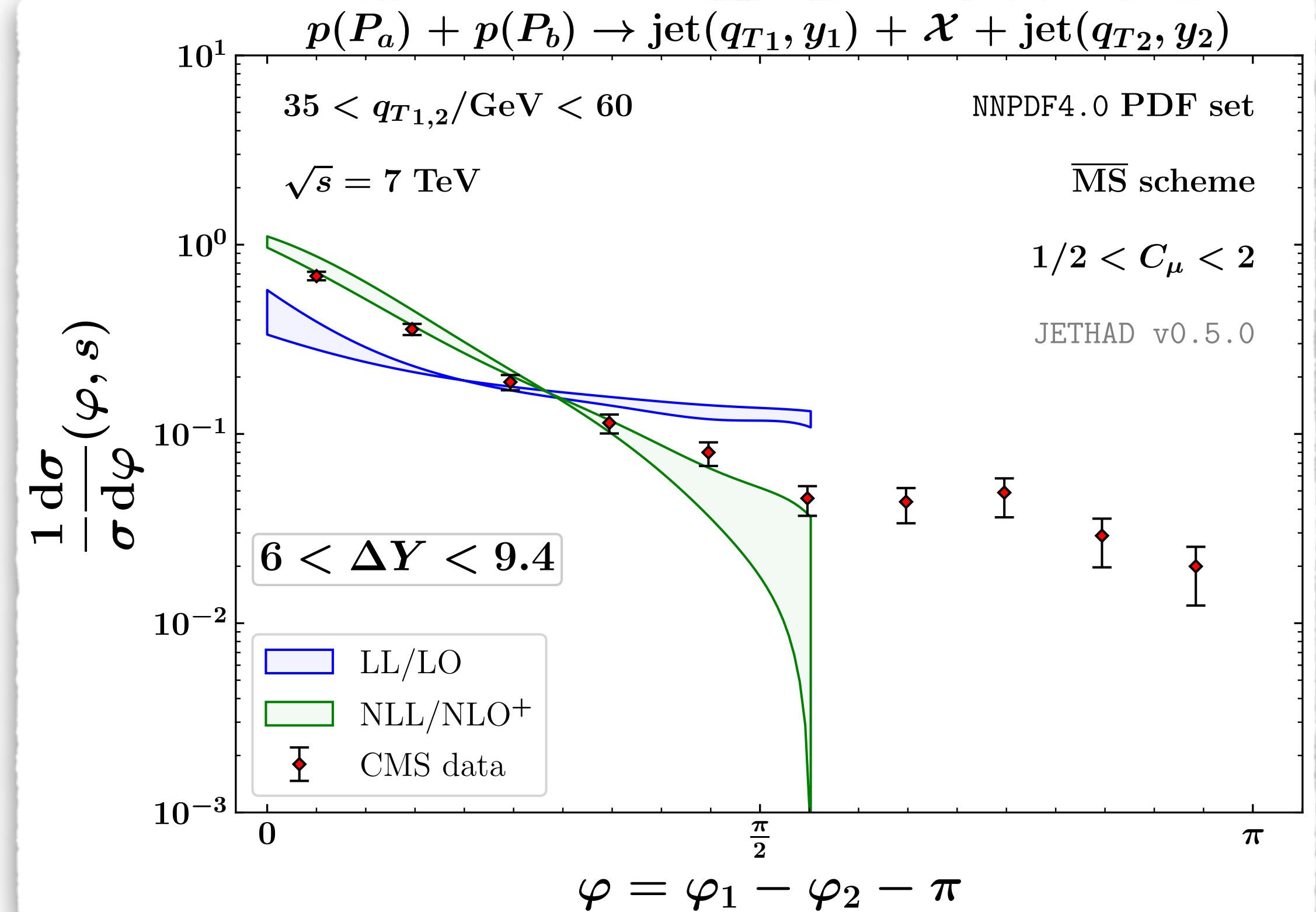
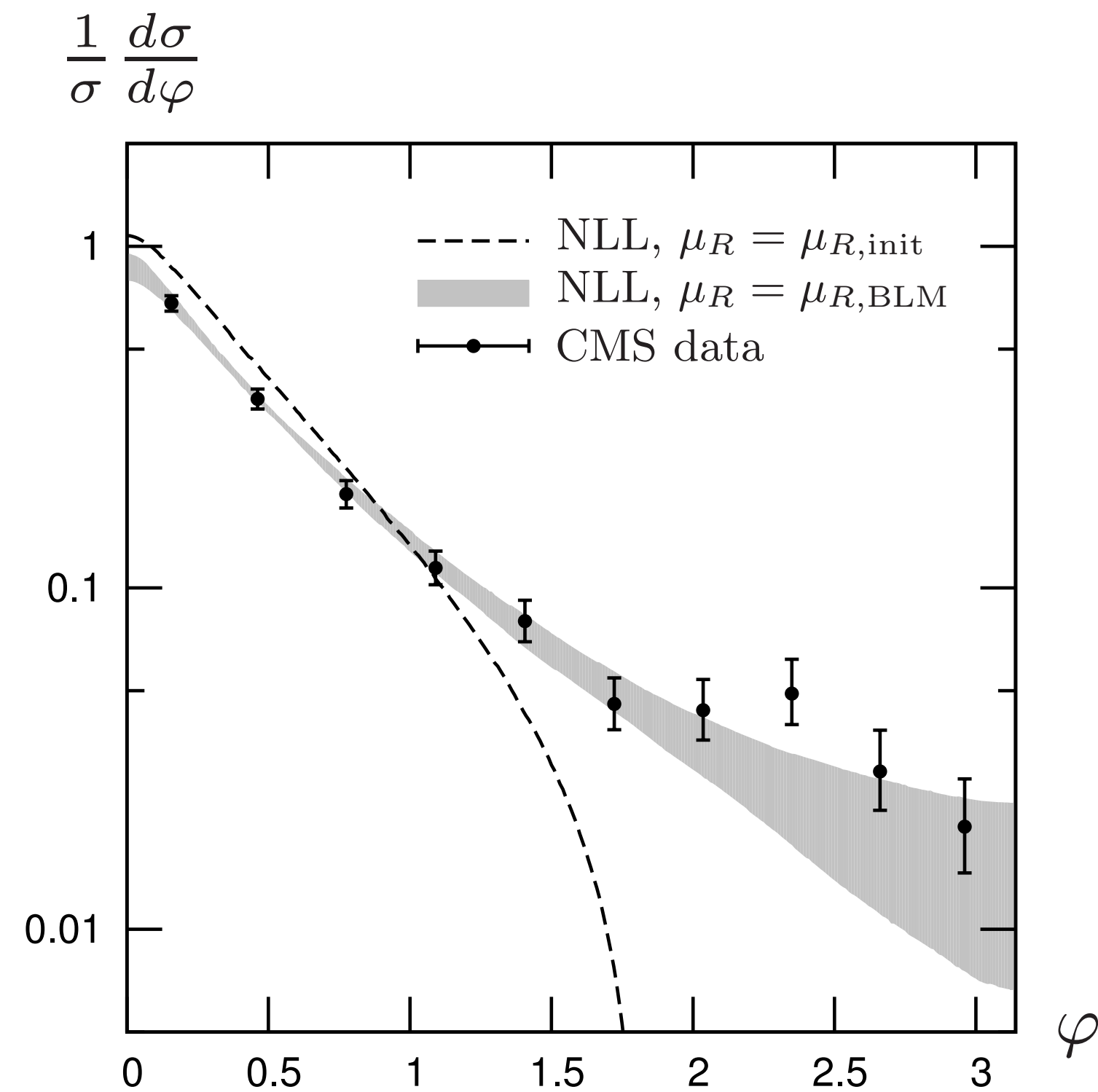




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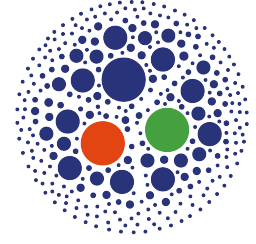
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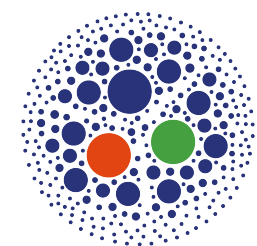


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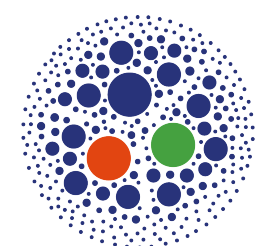


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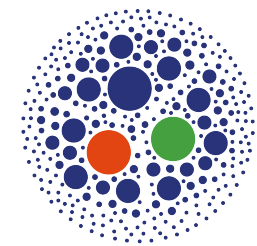
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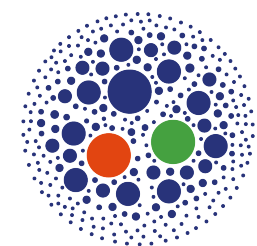
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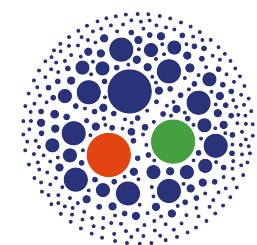


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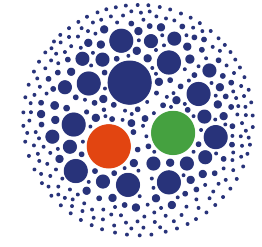


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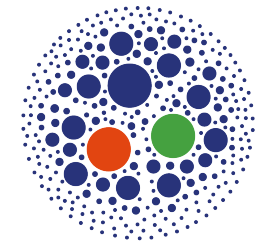
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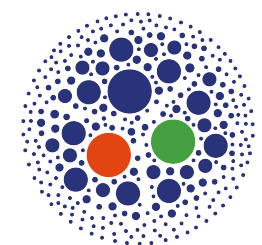


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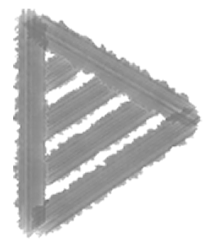
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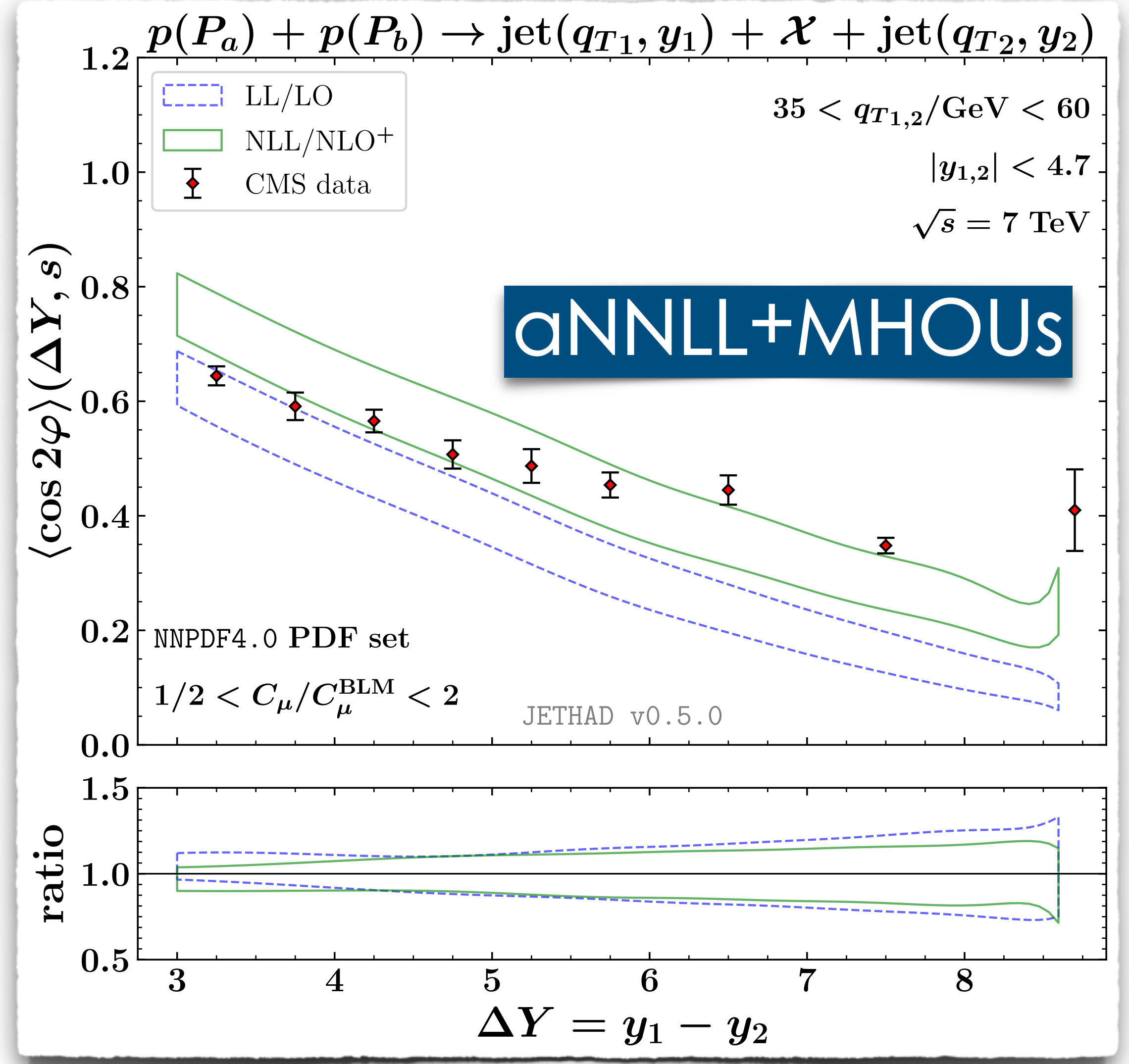
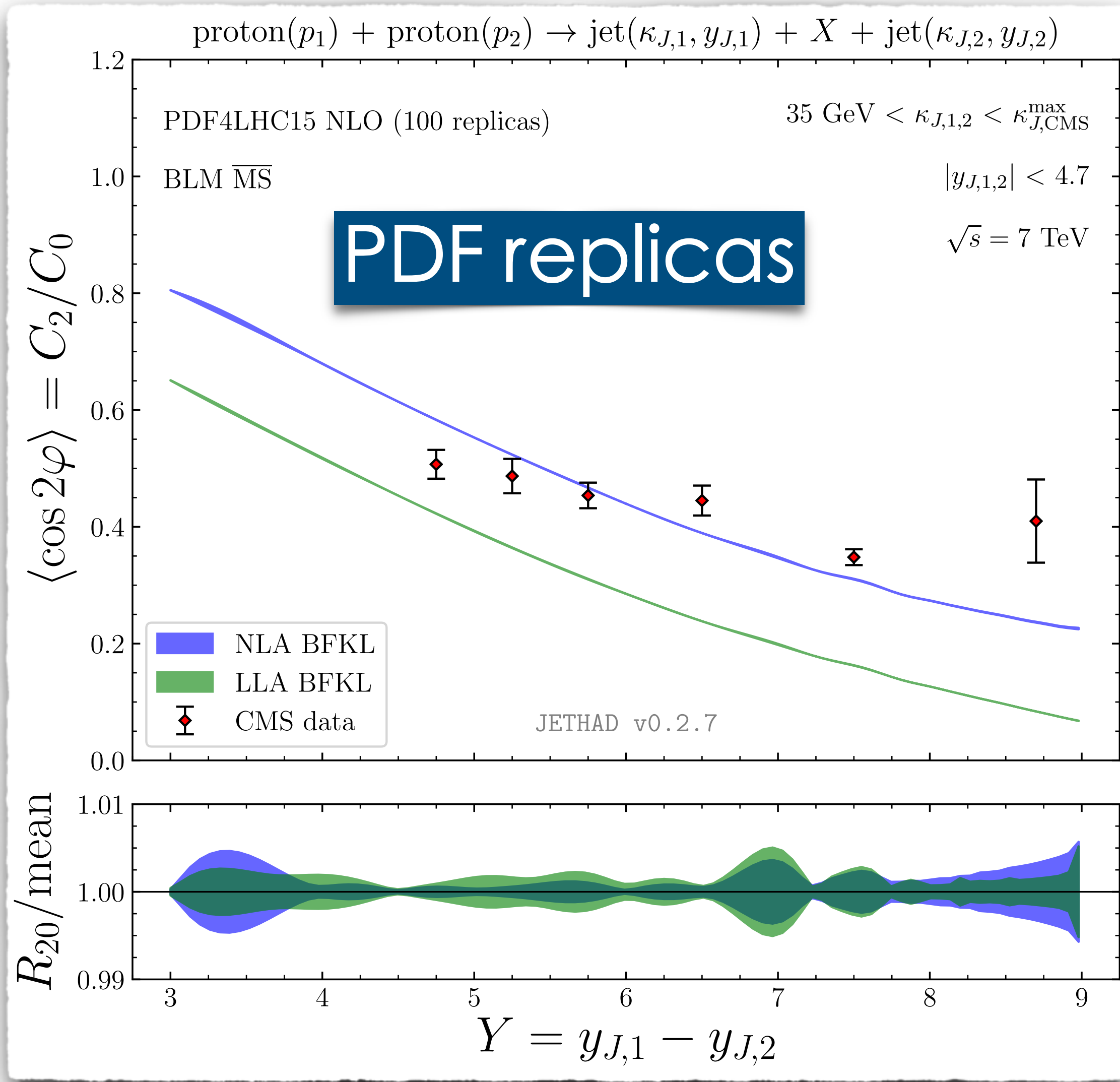
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**EXTRAS**

# MUELLER-NAVELET JETS

# MN jets: Hunting BFKL @7TeV CMS



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# MN jets: Azimuthal coefficients

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{C}_n &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\nu \left( \frac{x_1 x_2 s}{s_0} \right)^{\bar{\alpha}_s(\mu_R)} \{ \chi(n, \nu) + \bar{\alpha}_s(\mu_R) \mathcal{K}^{(1)}(n, \nu) \} \\
 &\times \frac{e^Y}{s} \alpha_s^2(\mu_R) c_1(n, \nu, |\vec{k}_1|, x_1) [c_2(n, \nu, |\vec{k}_2|, x_2)]^* \\
 &\times \left\{ 1 + \alpha_s(\mu_R) \left[ \frac{c_1^{(1)}(n, \nu, |\vec{k}_1|, x_1)}{c_1(n, \nu, |\vec{k}_1|, x_1)} + \left[ \frac{c_2^{(1)}(n, \nu, |\vec{k}_2|, x_2)}{c_2(n, \nu, |\vec{k}_2|, x_2)} \right]^* \right] \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \bar{\alpha}_s^2(\mu_R) \ln \left( \frac{x_1 x_2 s}{s_0} \right) \frac{\beta_0}{4N_c} \chi(n, \nu) f(\nu) \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\chi(n, \nu) = 2\psi(1) - \psi\left(\frac{n}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + i\nu\right) - \psi\left(\frac{n}{2} + \frac{1}{2} - i\nu\right)$$

$$\mathcal{K}^{(1)}(n, \nu) = \bar{\chi}(n, \nu) + \frac{\beta_0}{8N_c} \chi(n, \nu) \left[ -\chi(n, \nu) + \frac{10}{3} + 2 \ln \left( \frac{\mu_R^2}{\sqrt{|\vec{k}_1|^2 |\vec{k}_2|^2}} \right) \right]$$

# LIGHT-FLAVORED HADRONS

# LO forward-jet and -hadron impact factors

- LO forward **hadron** impact factor in the  $(n, \nu)$ -representation

$$c_H(n, \nu, |\vec{k}_H|, x_H) = 2\sqrt{\frac{C_F}{C_A}} (\vec{k}_H^2)^{i\nu-1/2} \int_{x_H}^1 \frac{dx}{x} \left(\frac{x}{x_H}\right)^{2i\nu-1} \\ \times \left[ \frac{C_A}{C_F} f_g(x) D_g^h\left(\frac{x_H}{x}\right) + \sum_{r=q, \bar{q}} f_r(x) D_r^h\left(\frac{x_H}{x}\right) \right]$$

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- $f(\nu)$  function

$$i \frac{d}{d\nu} \ln \left( \frac{c_H}{[c_J]^*} \right) = 2 \left[ f(\nu) - \ln \left( \sqrt{\vec{k}_H^2 \vec{k}_J^2} \right) \right]$$

# The BFKL BLM azimuthal coefficients

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_n^{\text{NLA}} &= \int_{y_1^{\min}}^{y_1^{\max}} dy_1 \int_{y_2^{\min}}^{y_2^{\max}} dy_2 \int_{k_1^{\min}}^{\infty} dk_1 \int_{k_2^{\min}}^{\infty} dk_2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\mathbf{v} \frac{e^Y}{s} \left( \alpha_s^{\text{MOM}}(\mu_R^{\text{BLM}}) \right)^2 \\
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with the  $\mu_R^{\text{BLM}}$  scale chosen as the solution of the following integral equation...

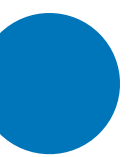
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# The HE-NLO azimuthal coefficients

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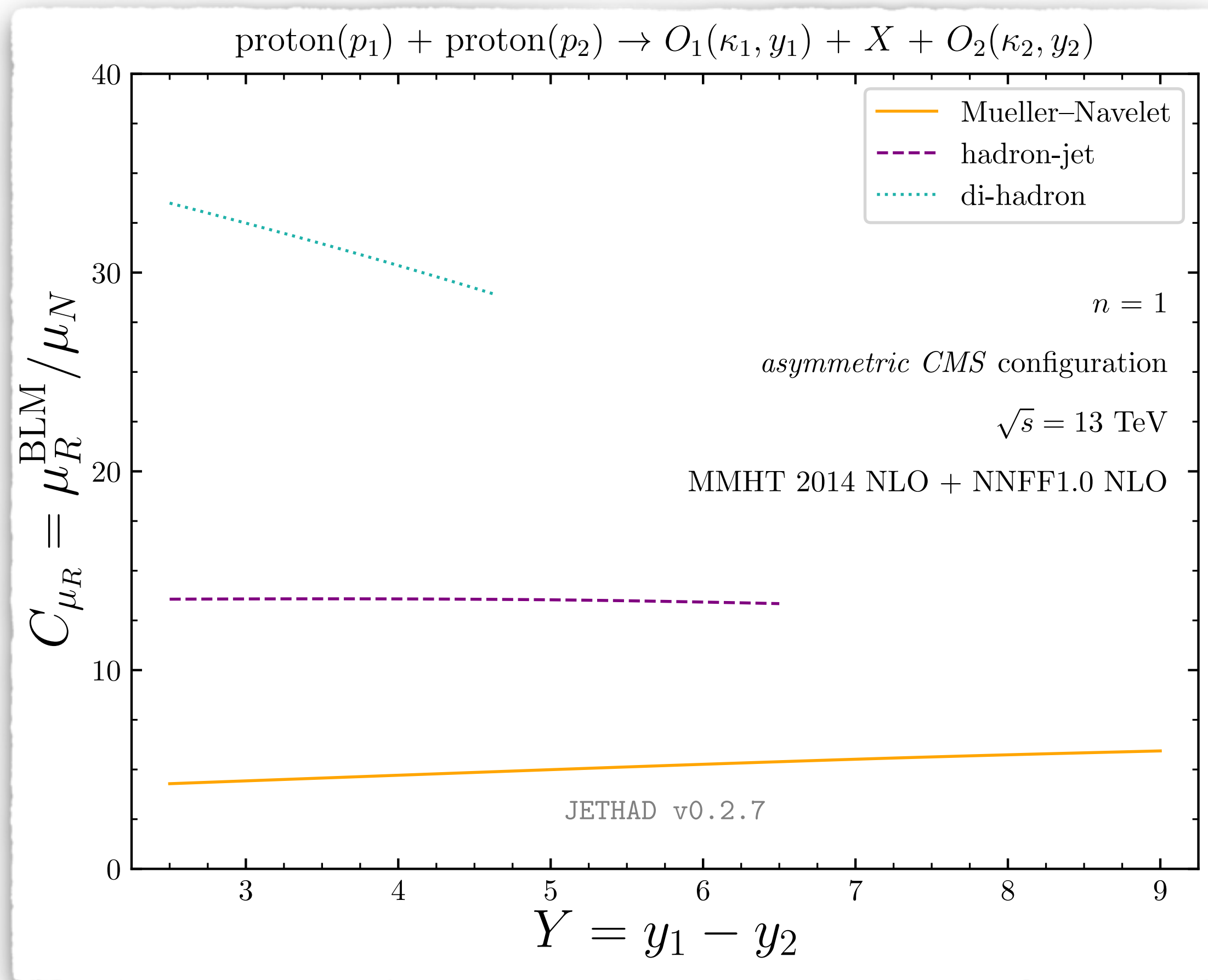




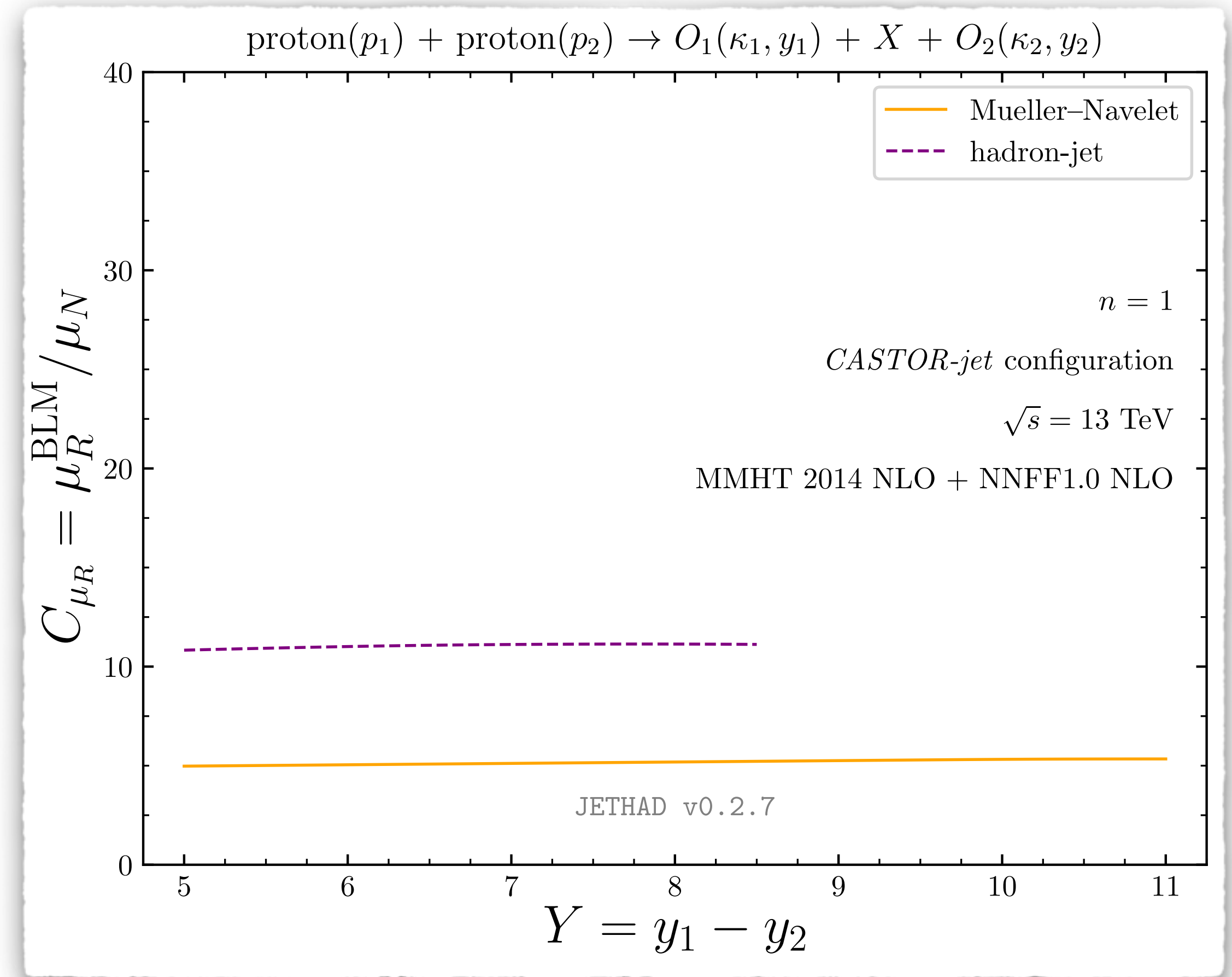
# NLL INSTABILITIES

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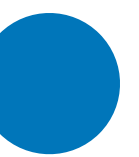


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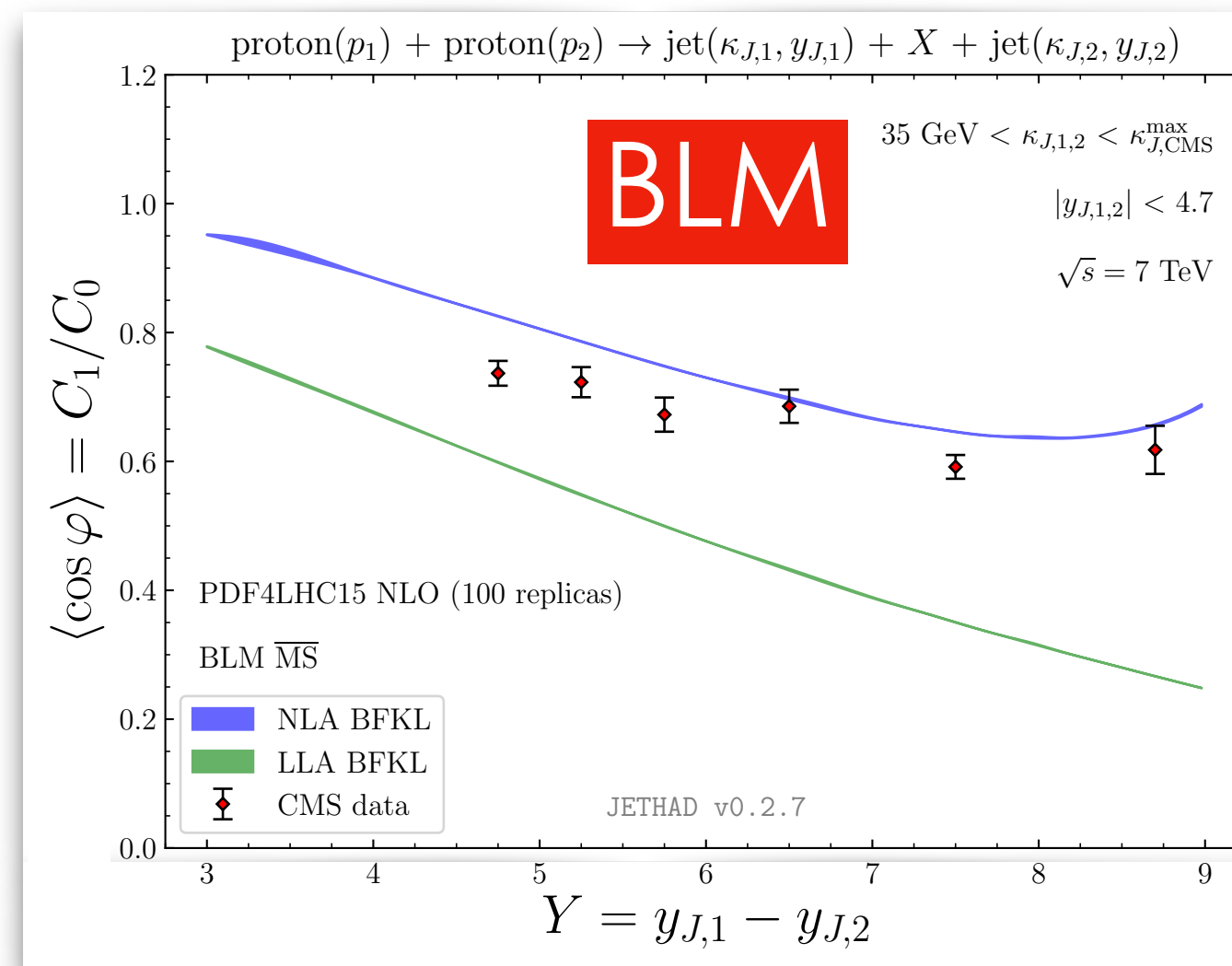
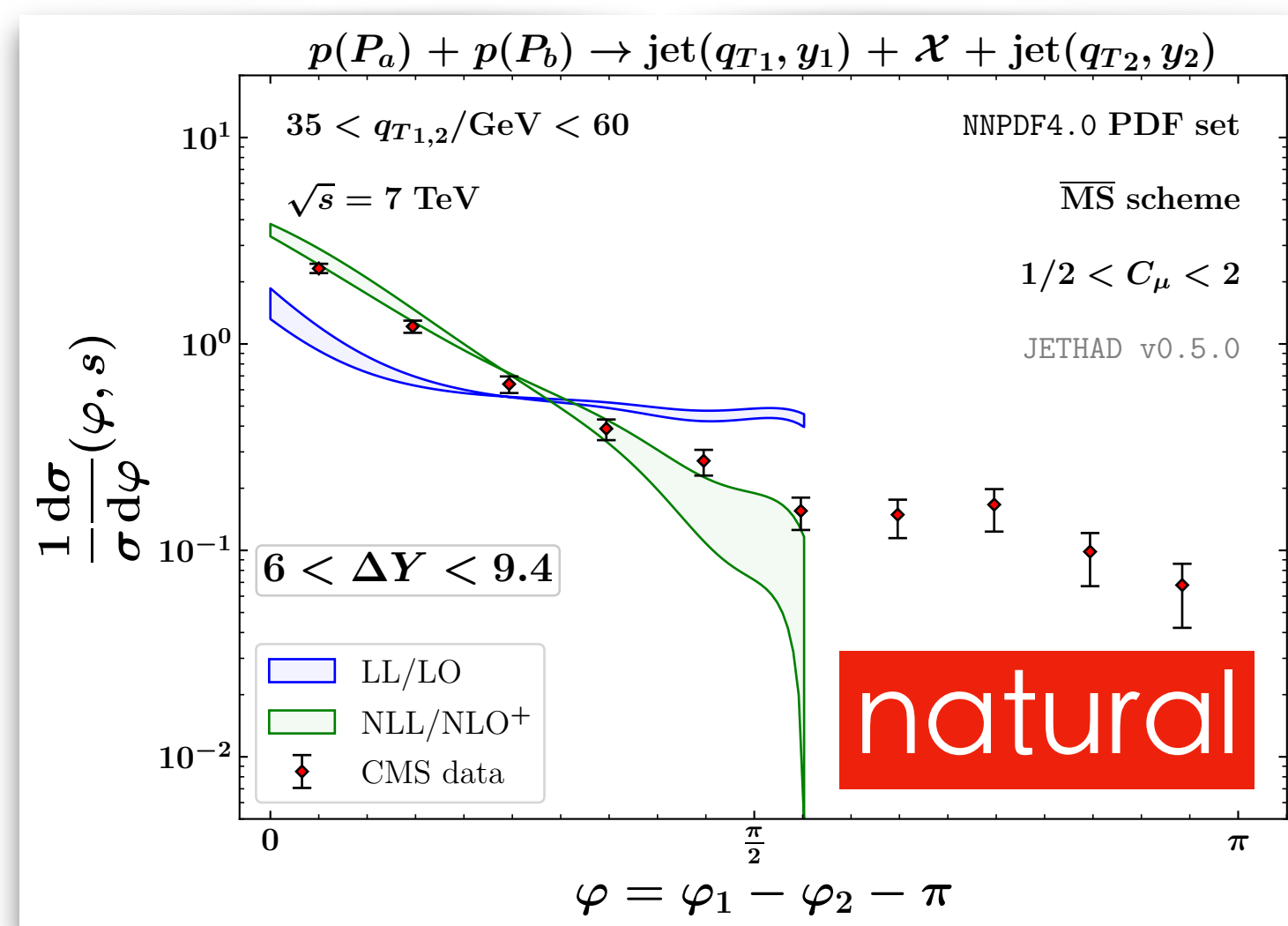
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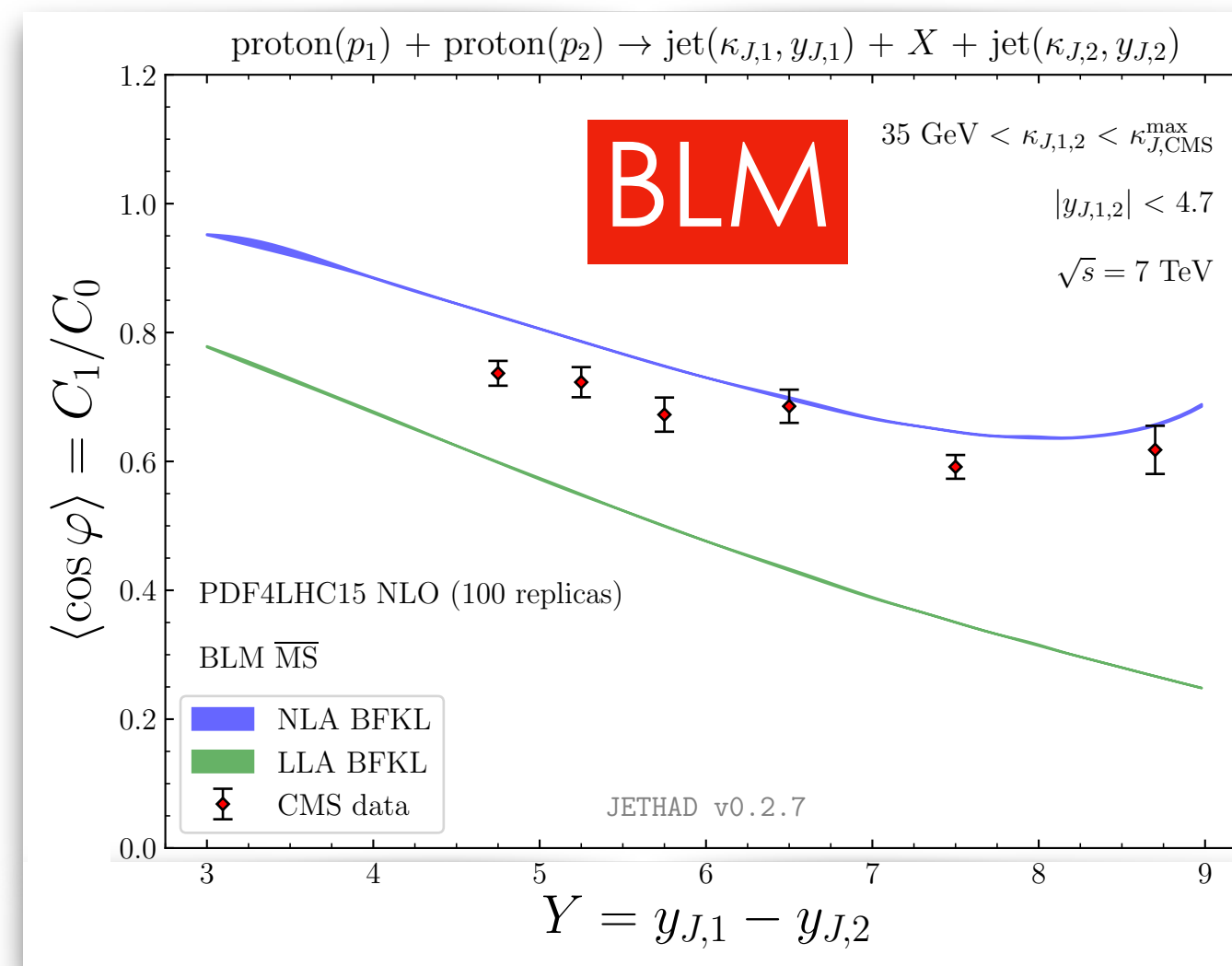
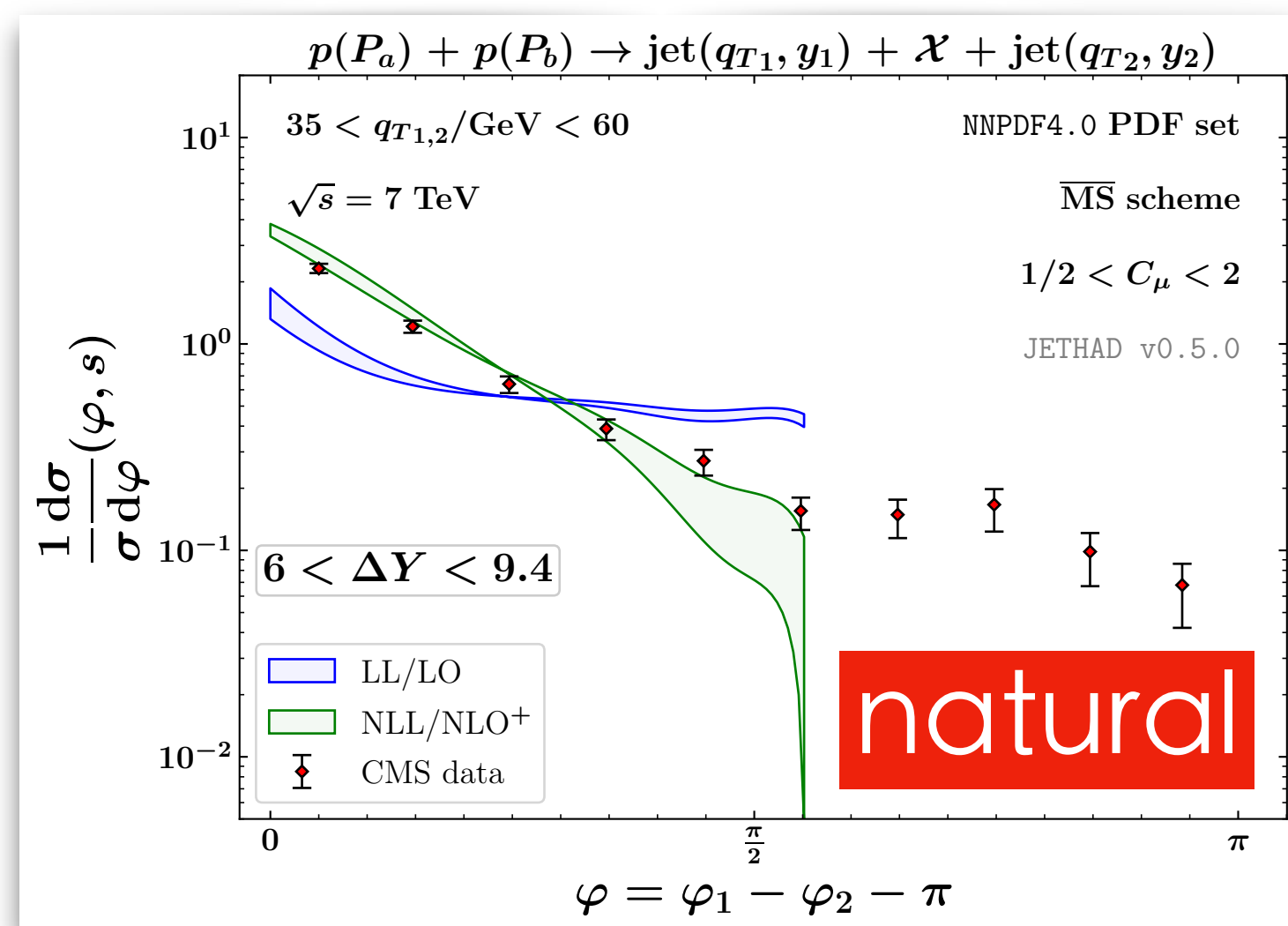
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