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# High Energy Jet (HEJ) Resummation at the LHC

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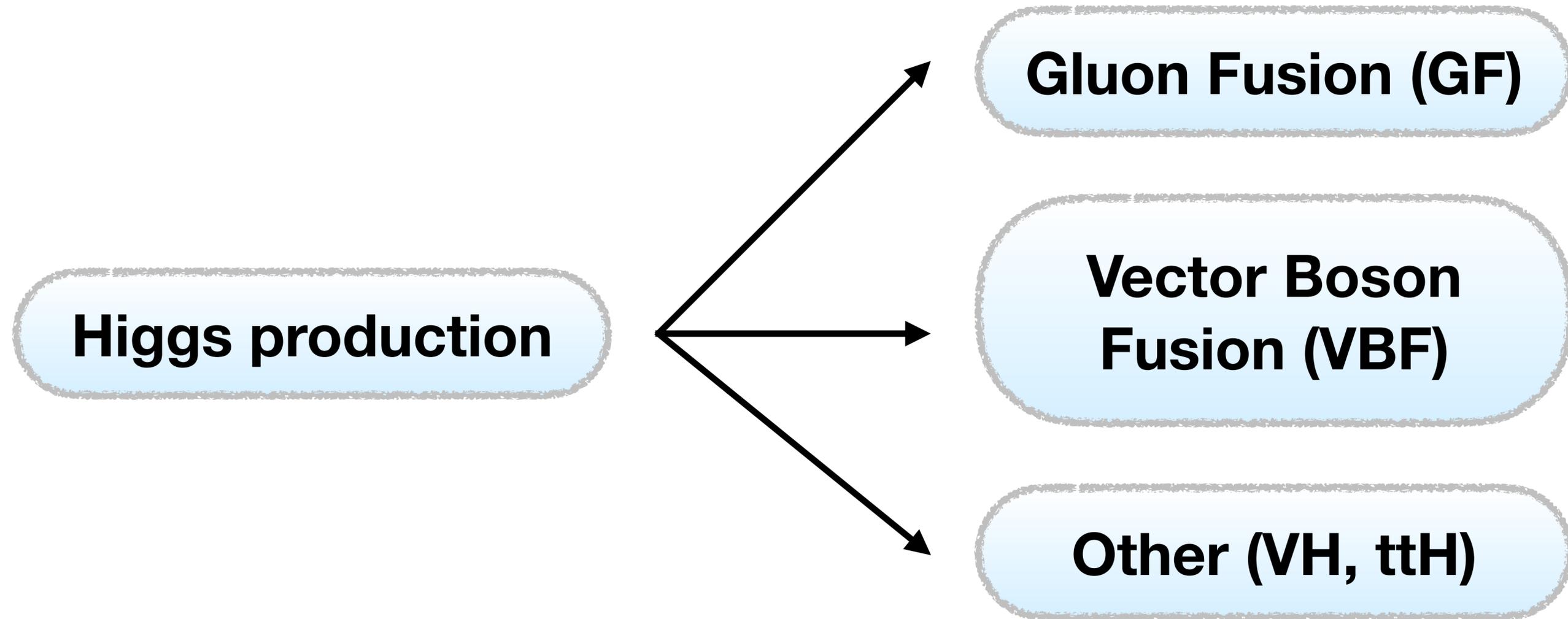
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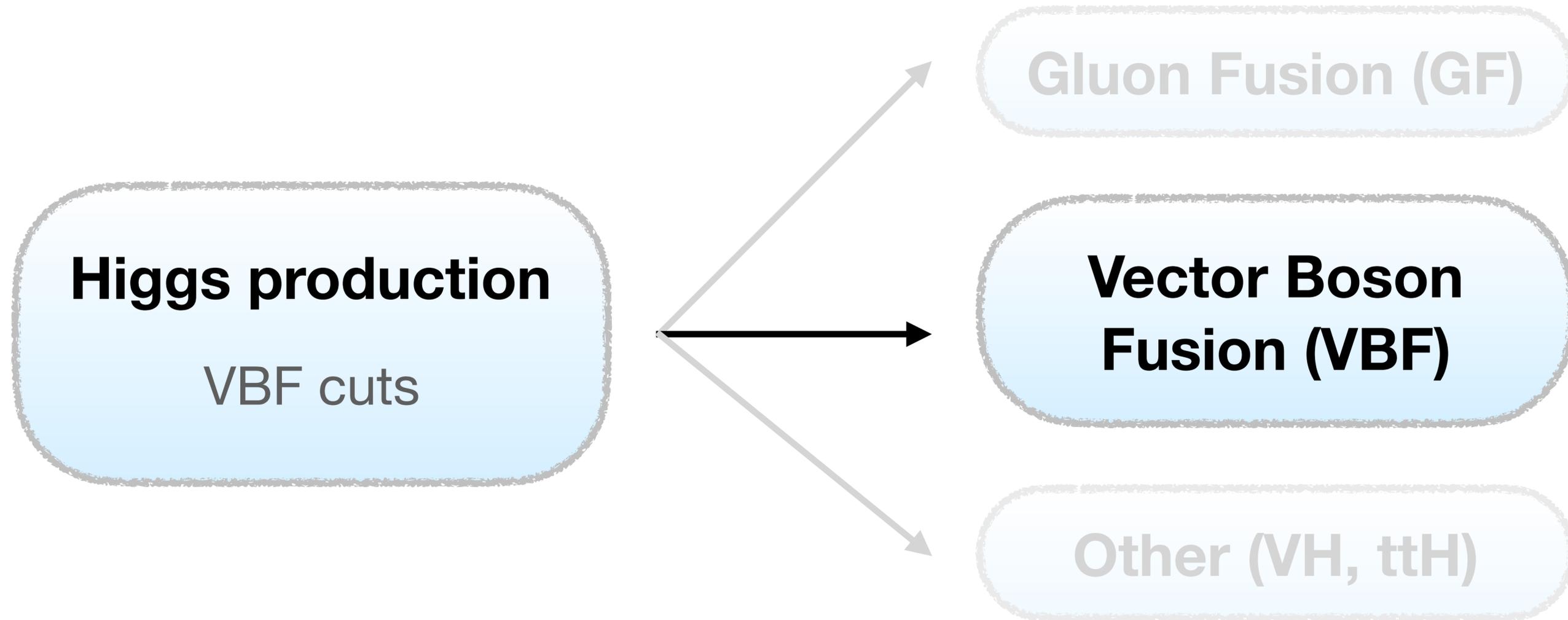
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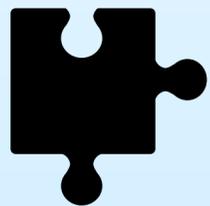
Enhance large logarithms  
Damage perturbative expansion

VBF cuts make it difficult to get reliable QCD background predictions!

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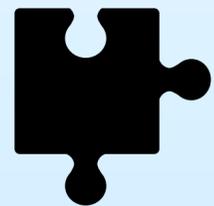
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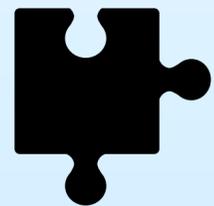
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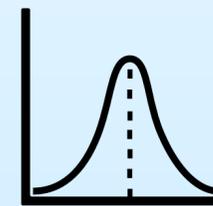
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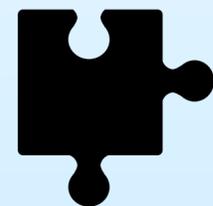
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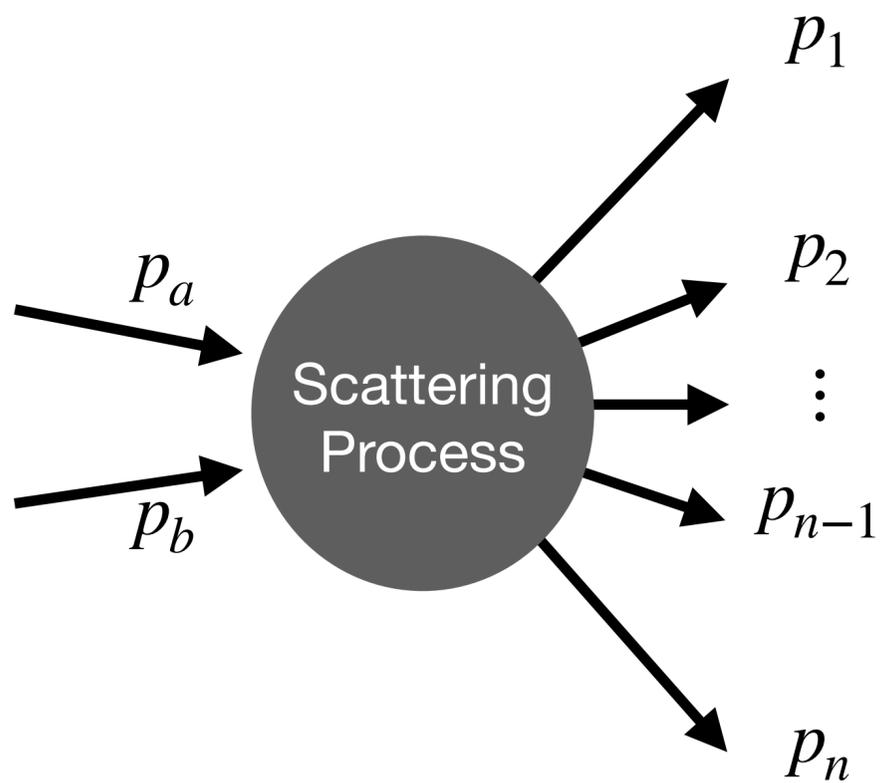


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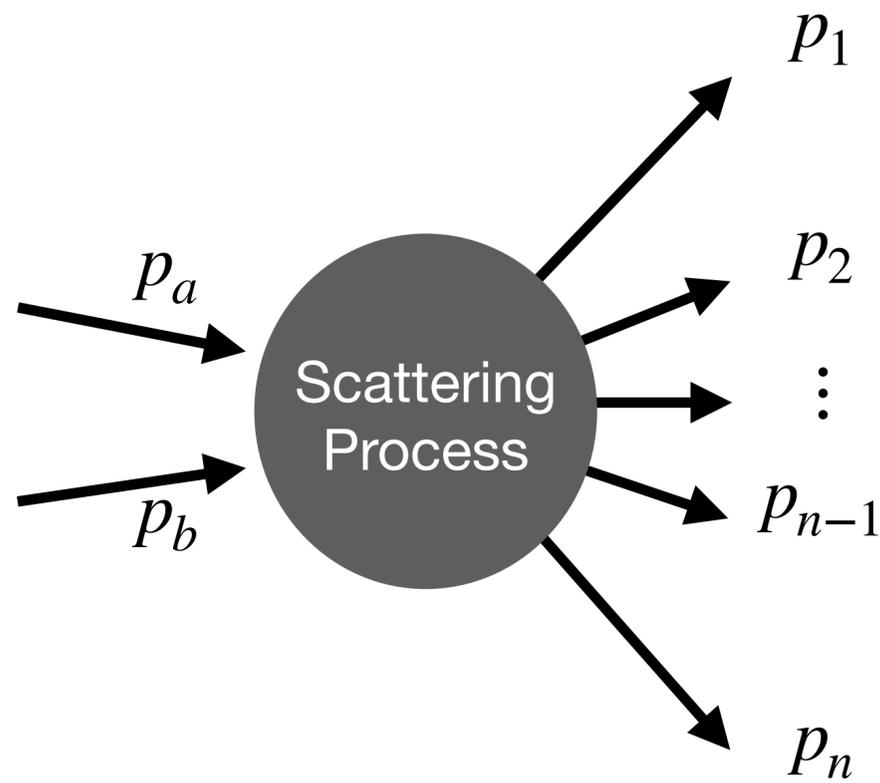
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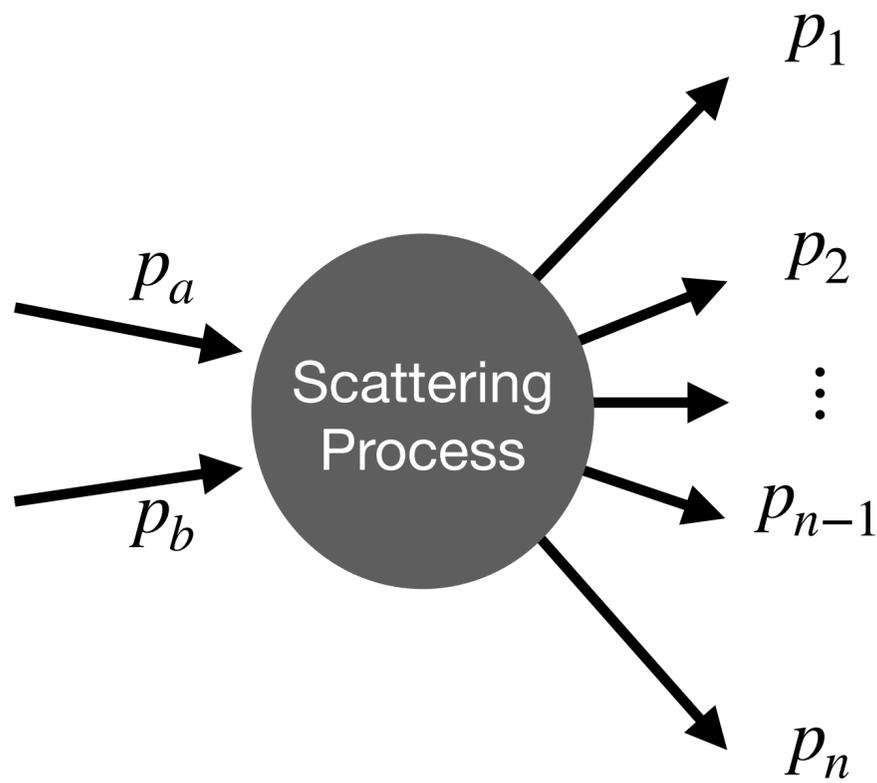
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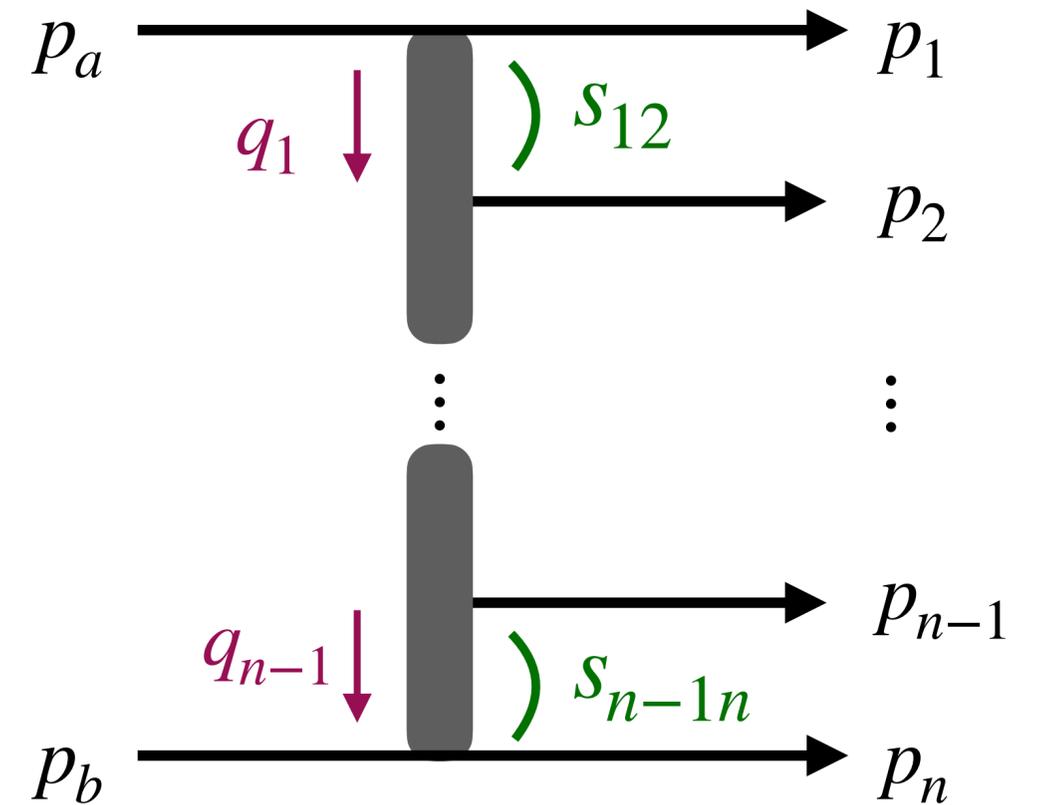


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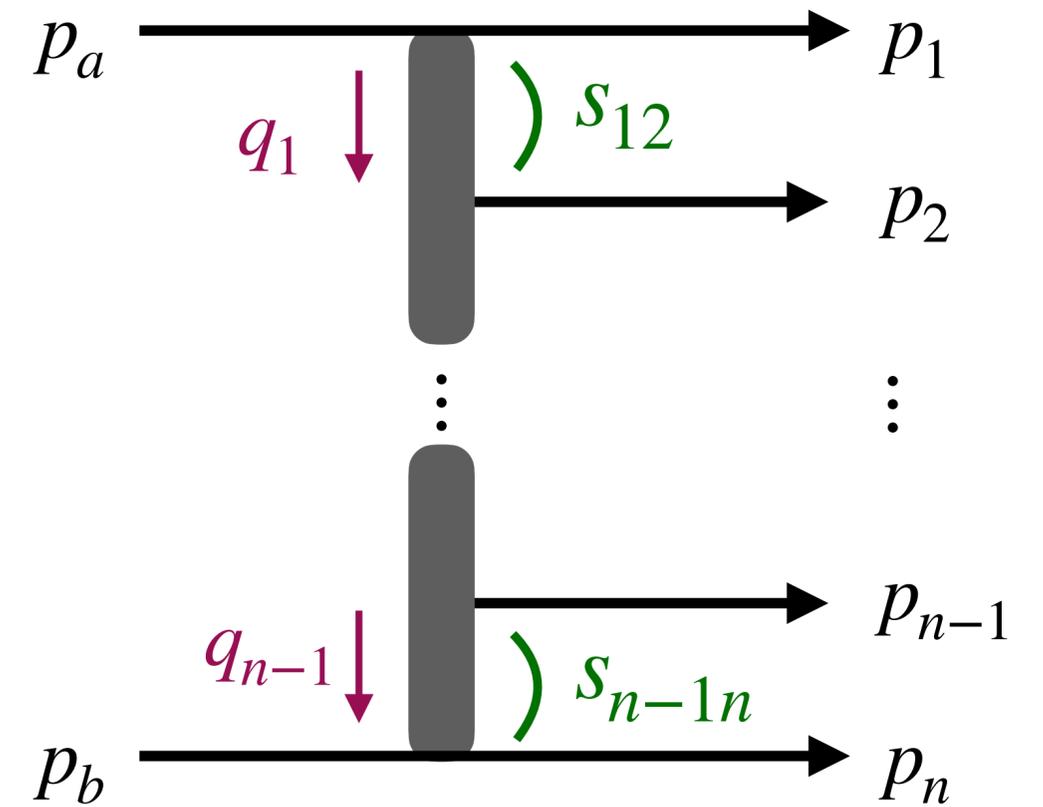
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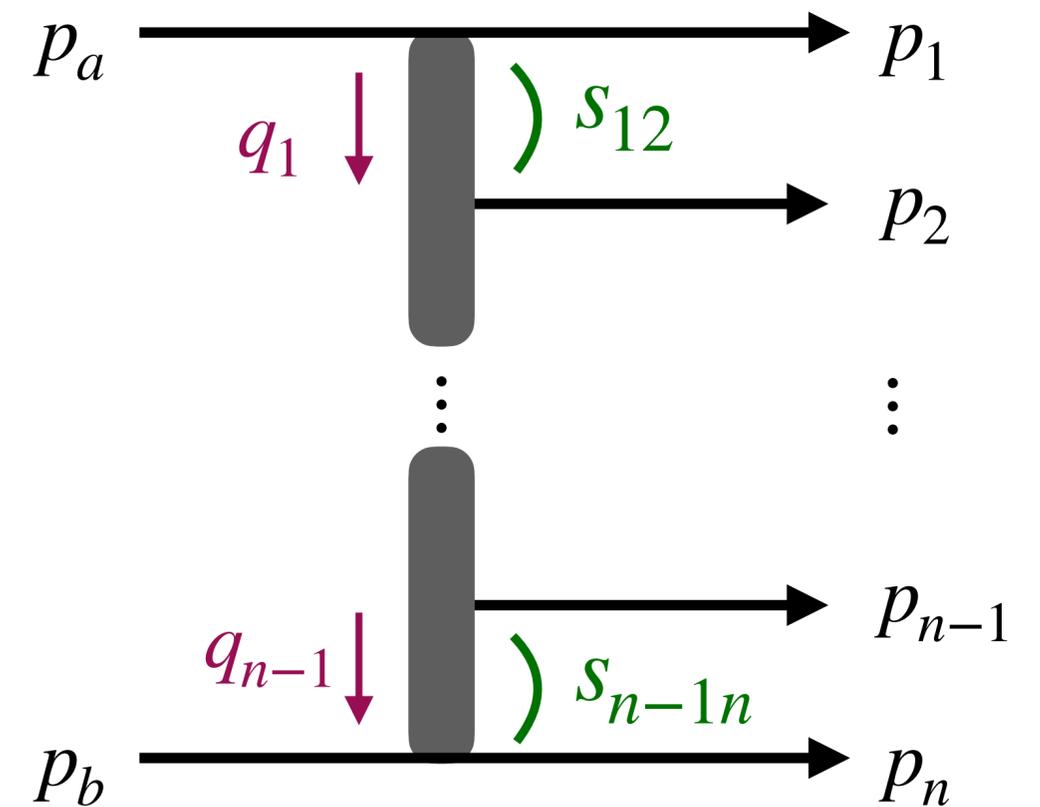


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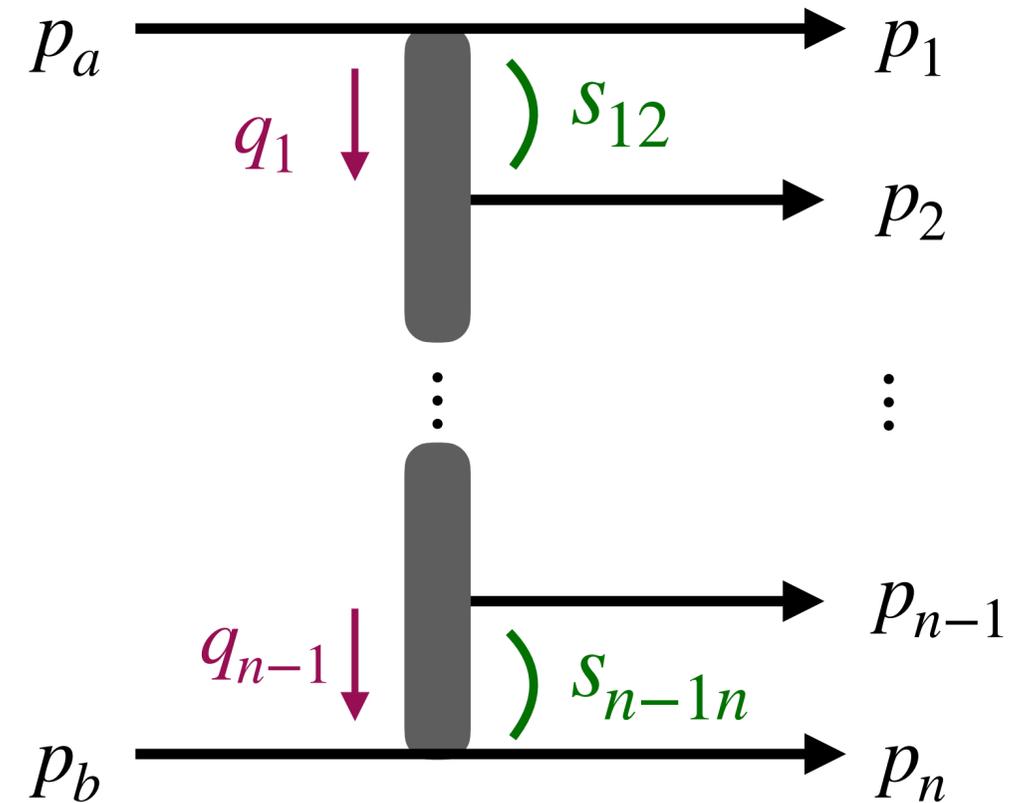
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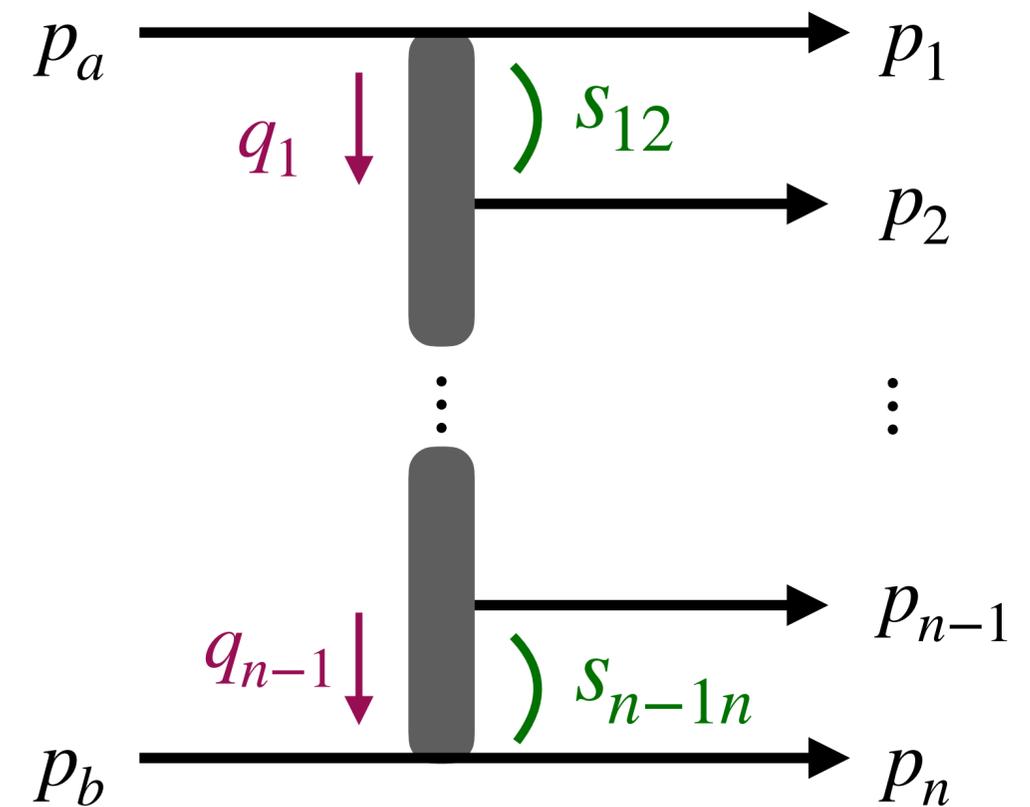


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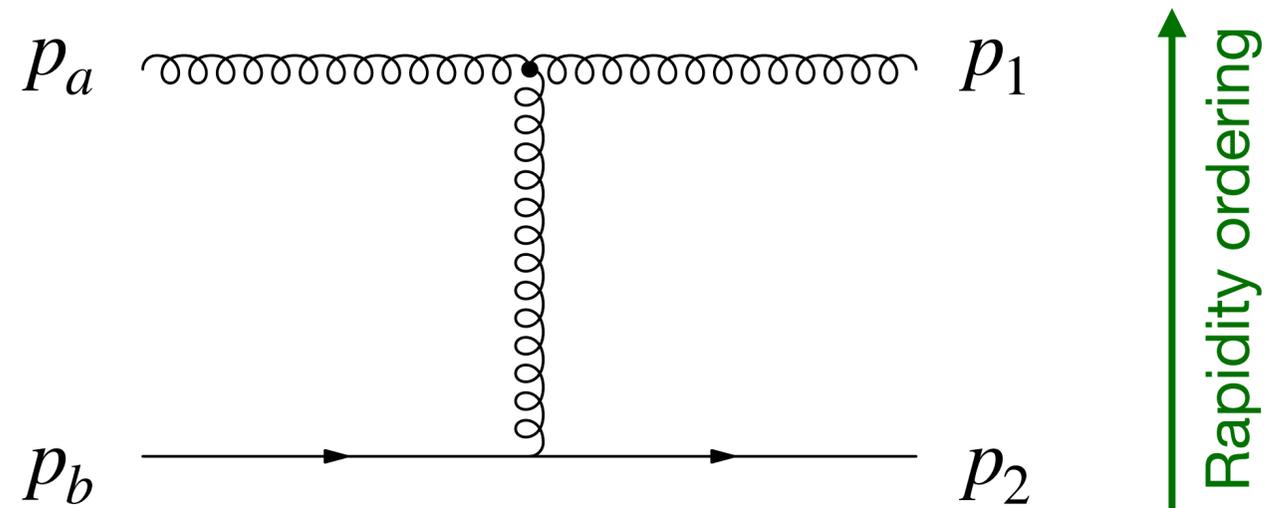
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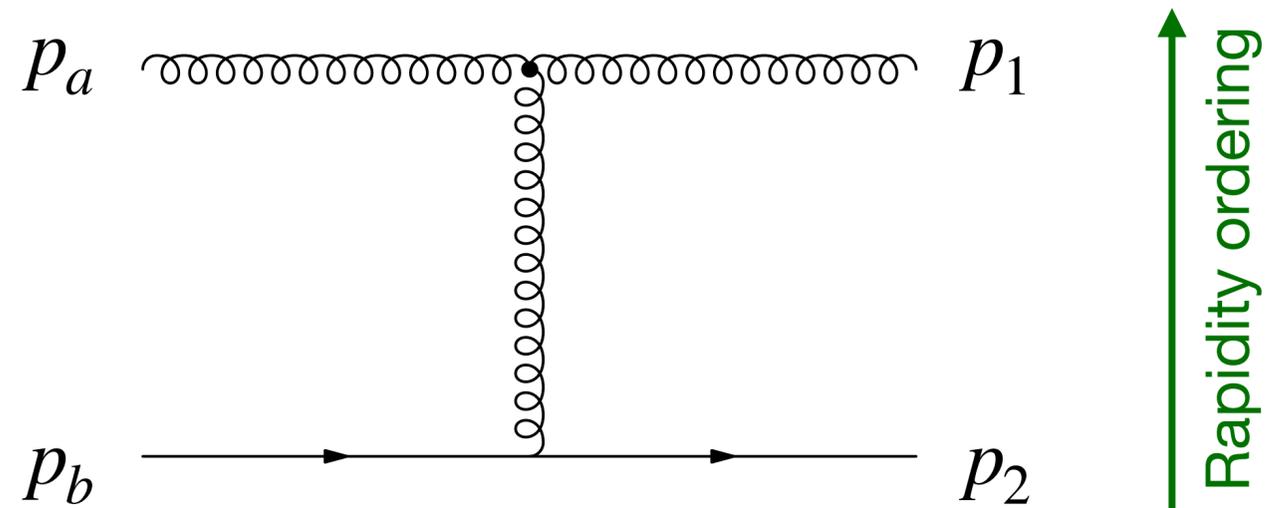


Leading configurations: maximise number of t-channel gluons exchanges

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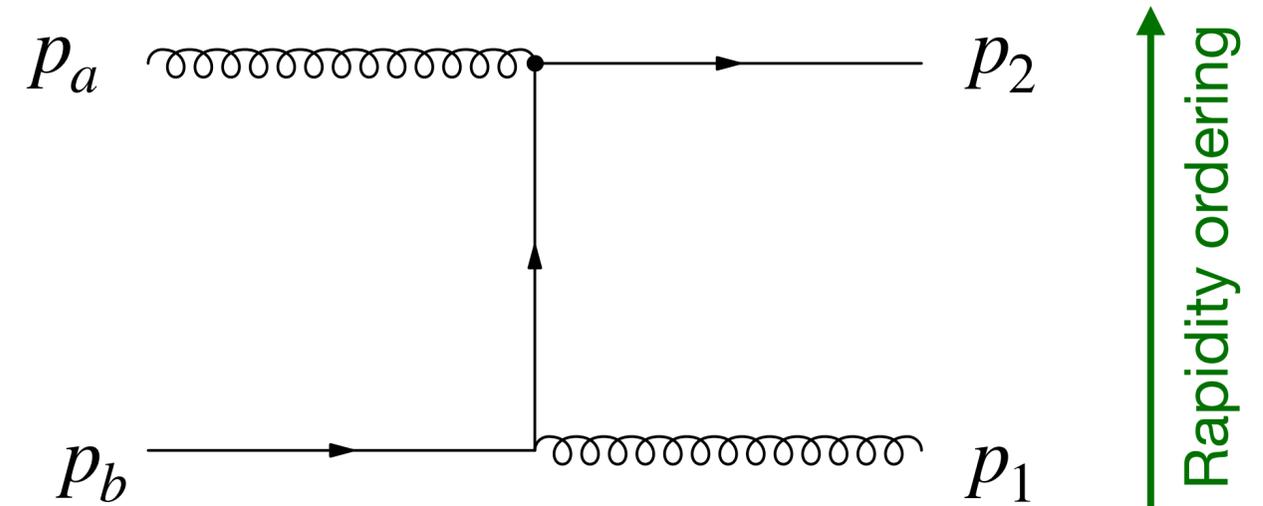
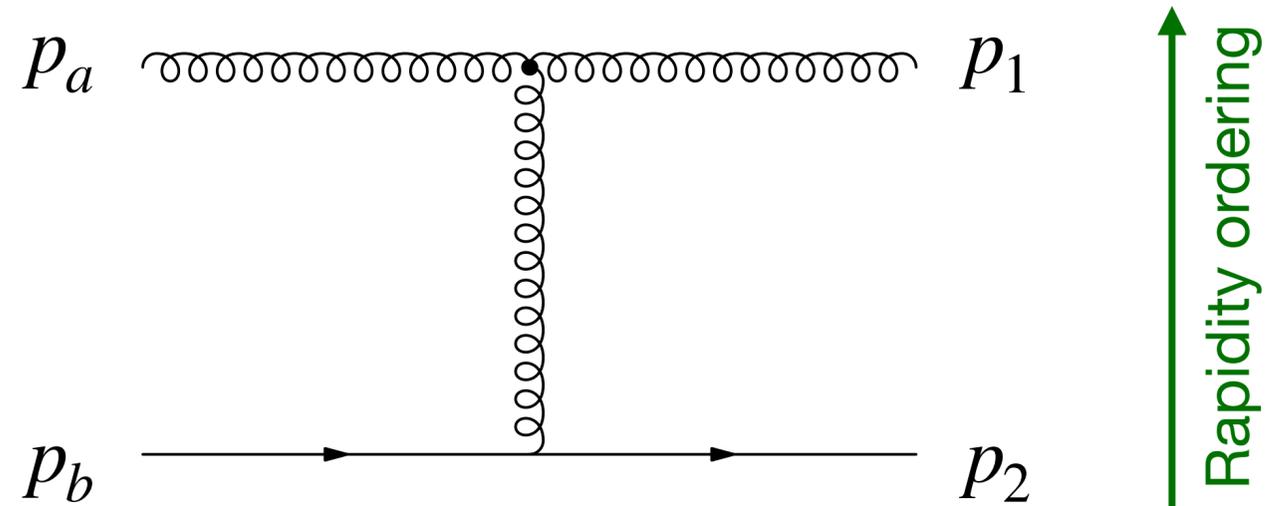


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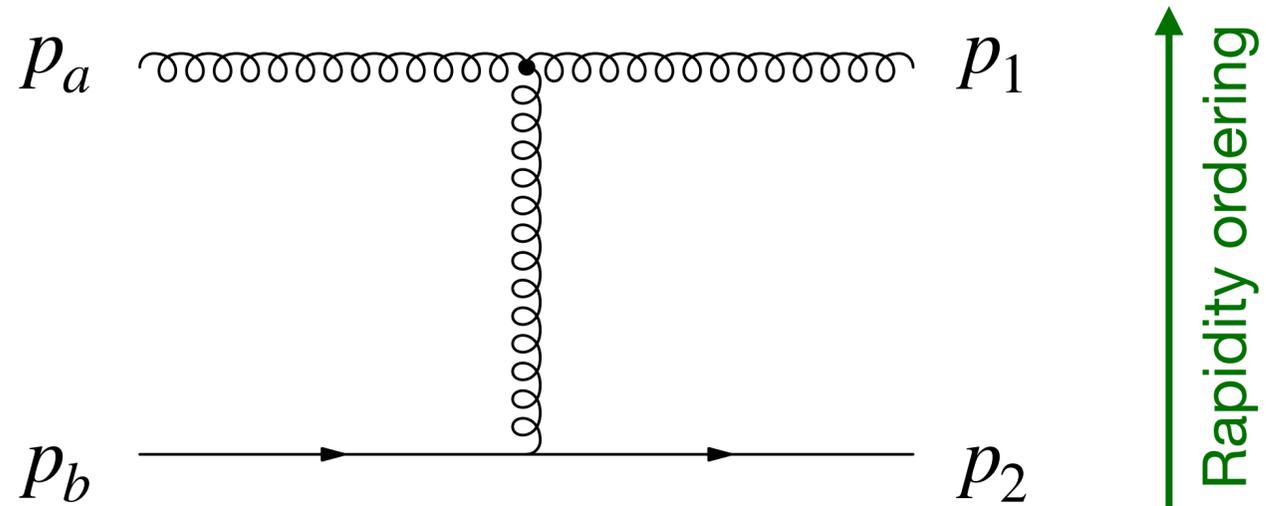
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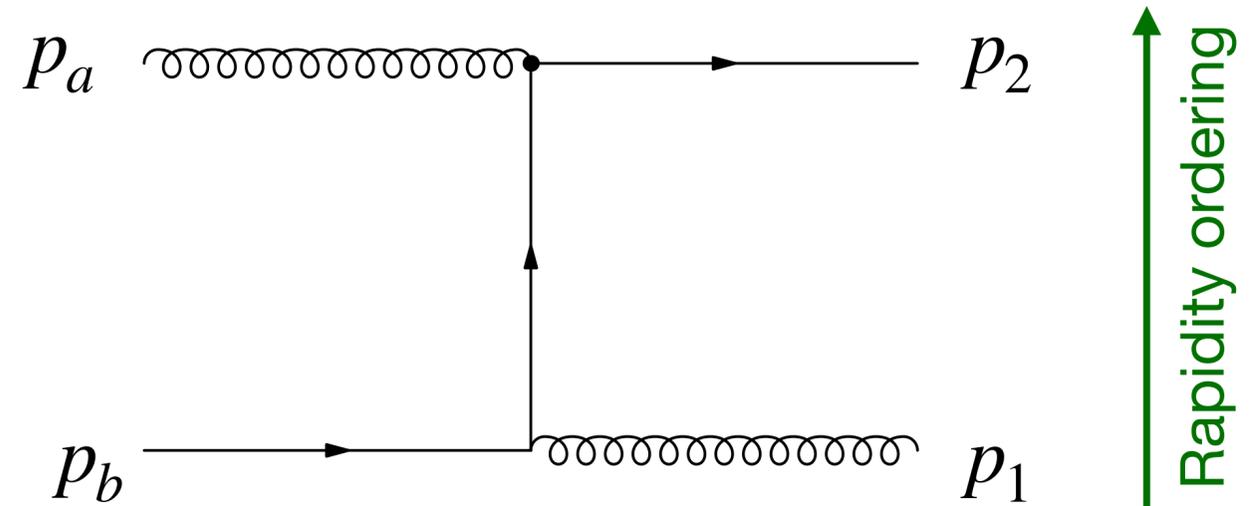


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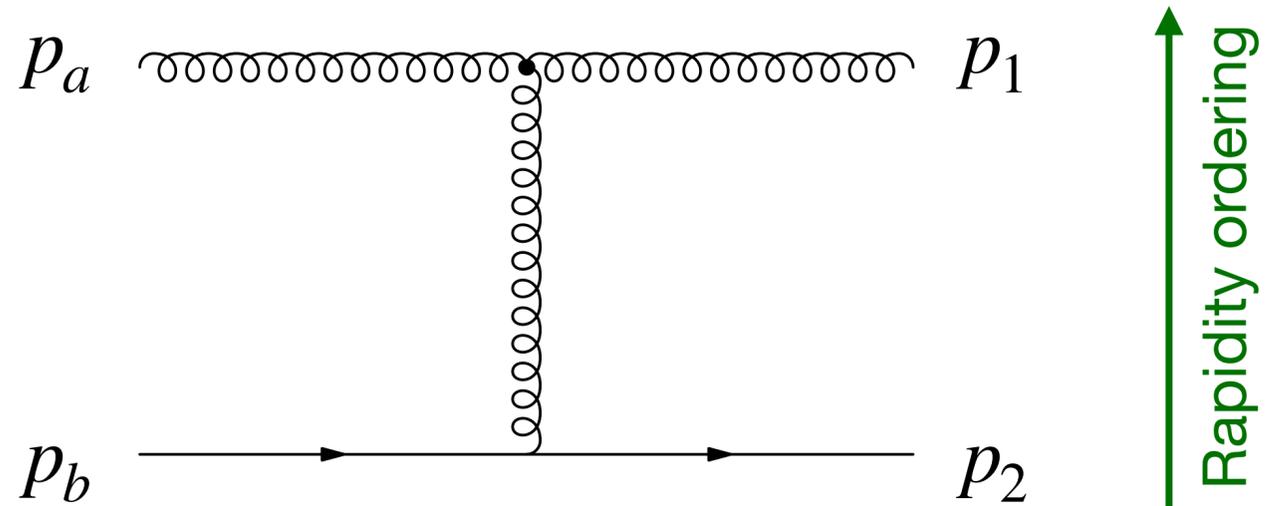


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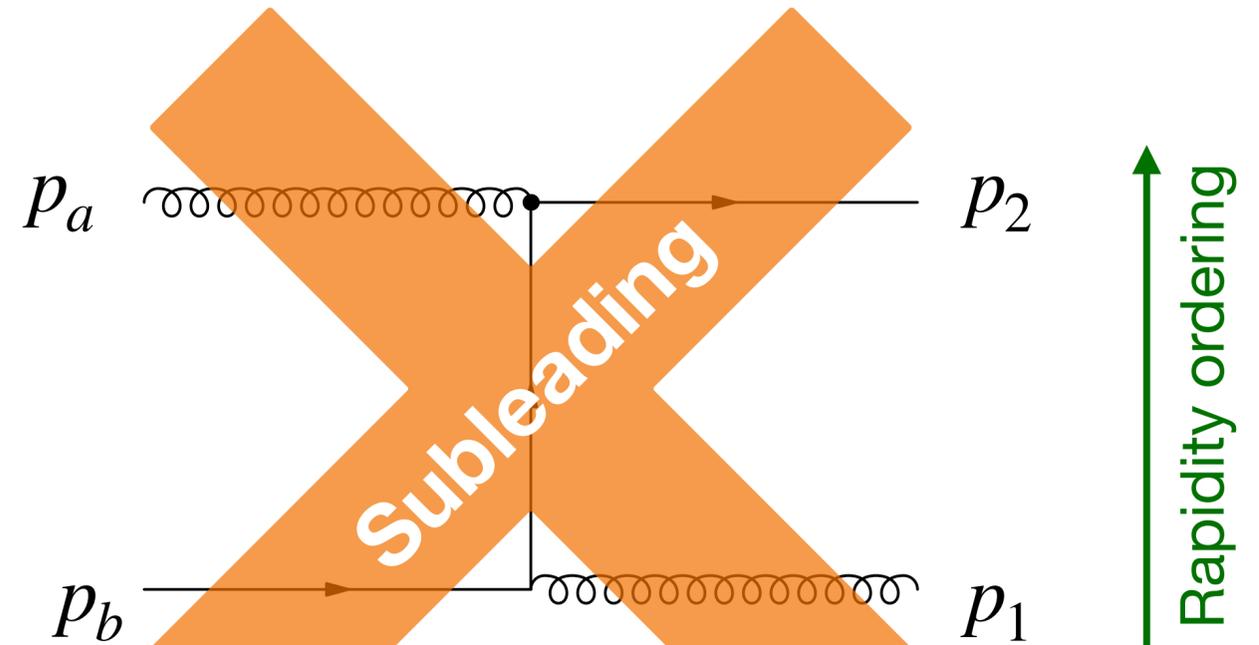


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Perturbative expansion valid  
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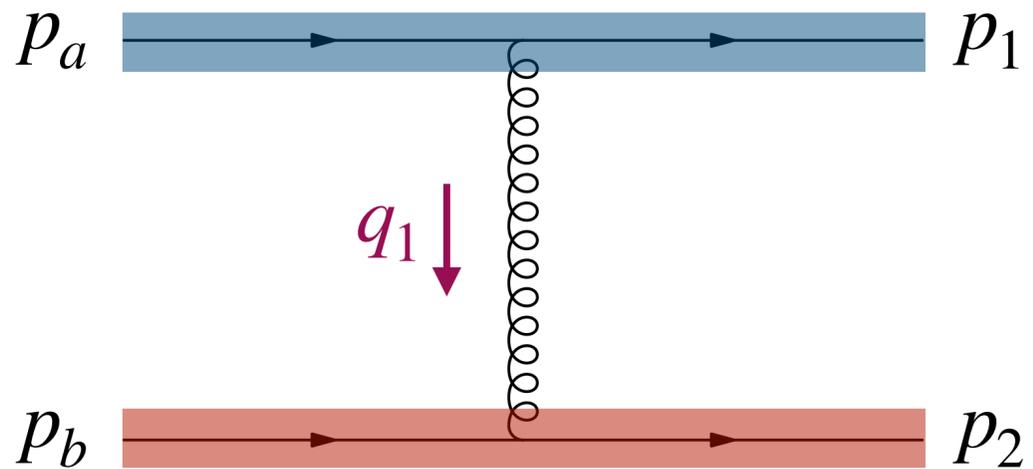
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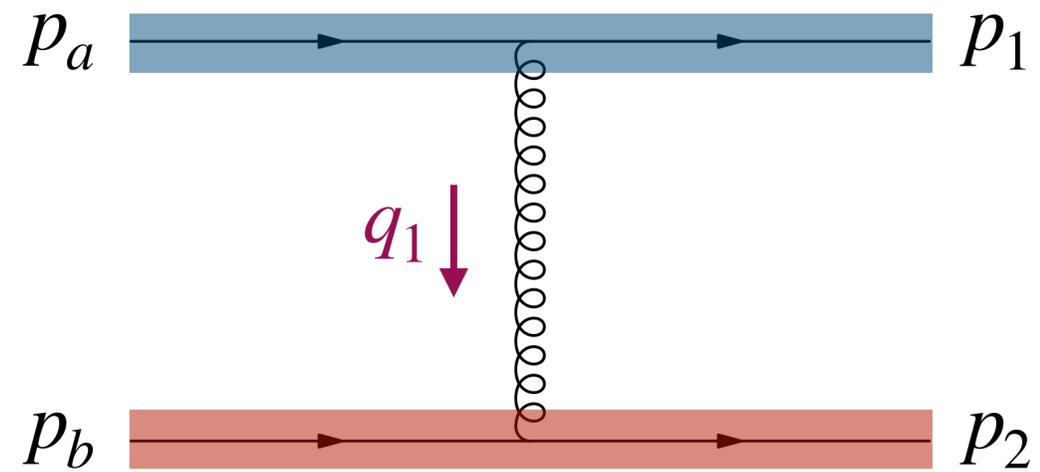
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**Next-to-Leading Logarithm (NLL)**

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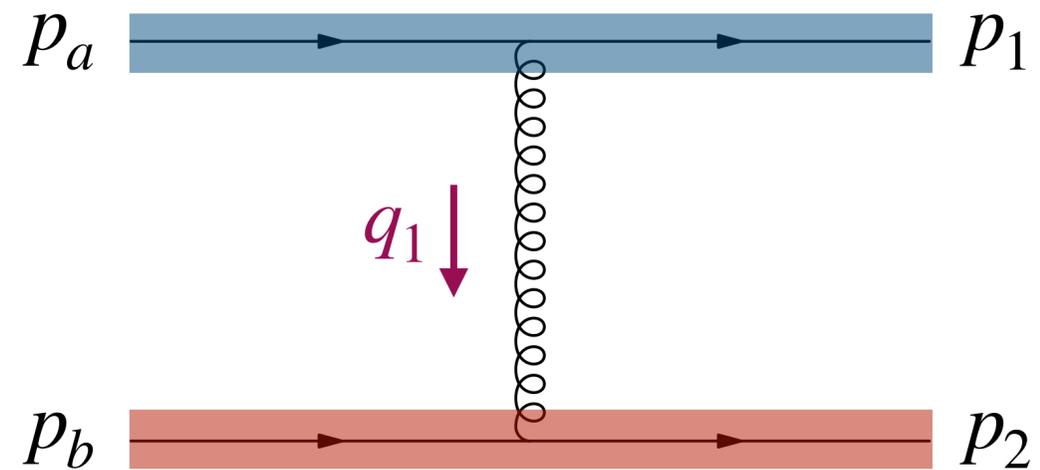


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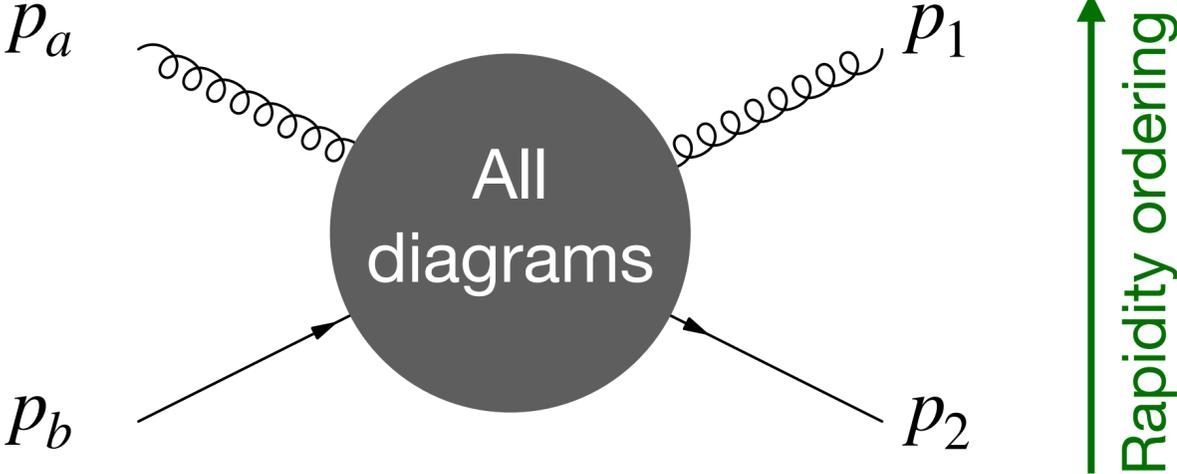
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- ◆ Contraction of currents over a t-channel pole
- ◆ Looks natural: only one diagram contributes at tree-level!
- ◆ What about gluon-induced processes?

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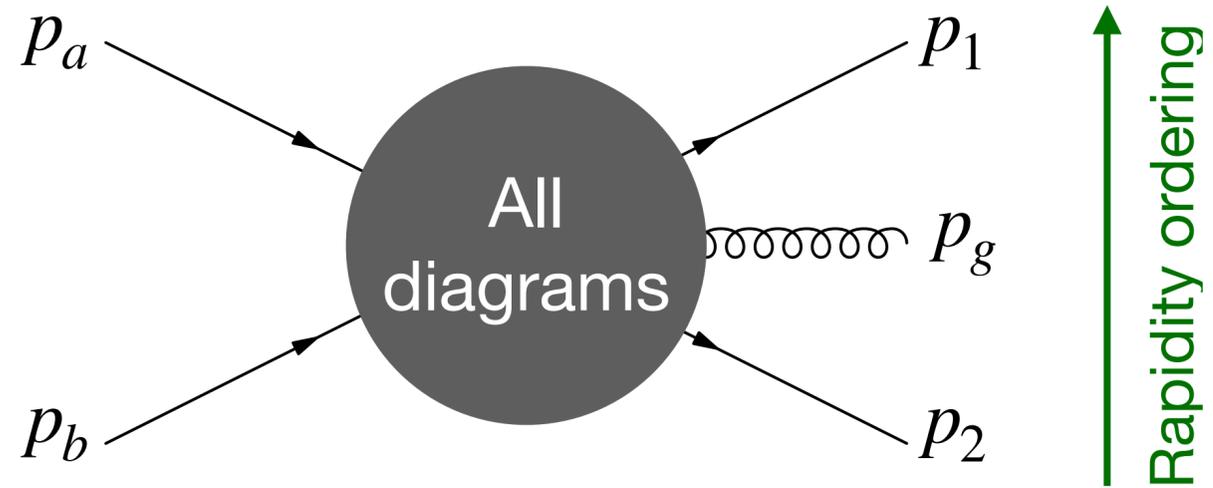
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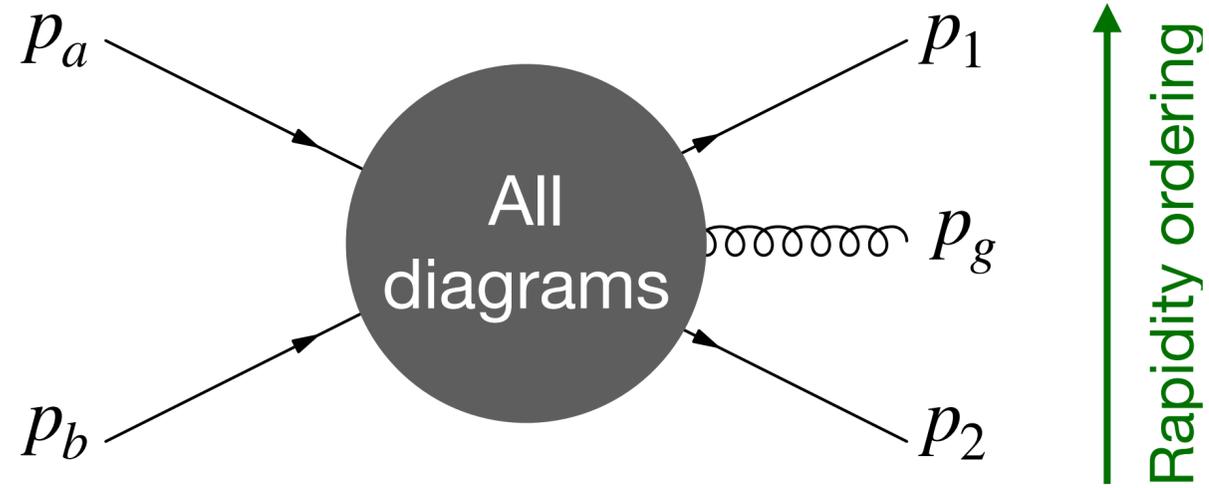
$$|\mathcal{M}|^2 \propto C_F \times \text{CAM} \times \left( \frac{1}{q_1^2} \right)^2 |j^\mu(p_1, p_a) j_\mu(p_2, p_b)|^2$$

CAM  $\rightarrow$   $C_A$  in the High Energy Limit

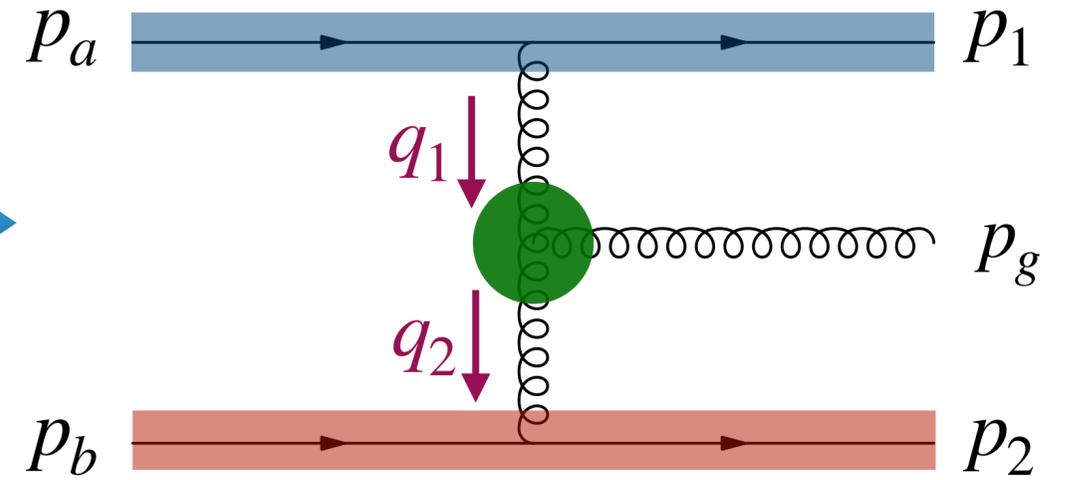
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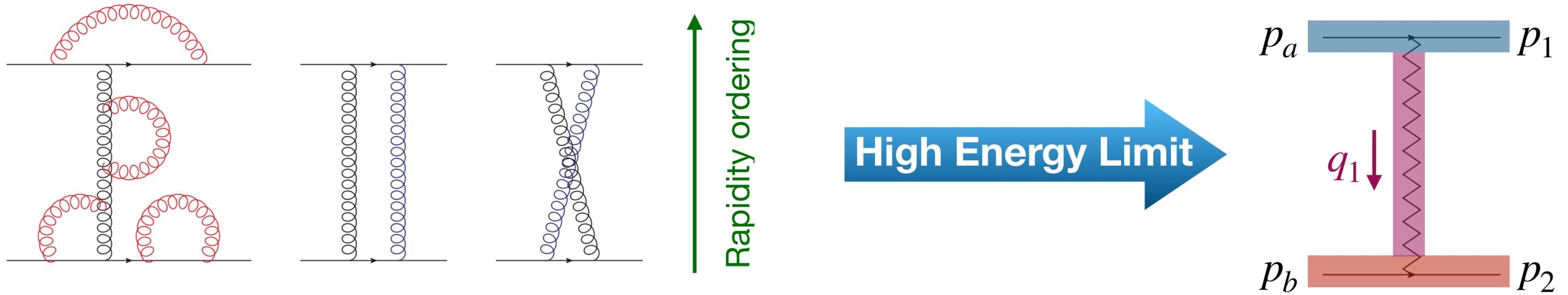
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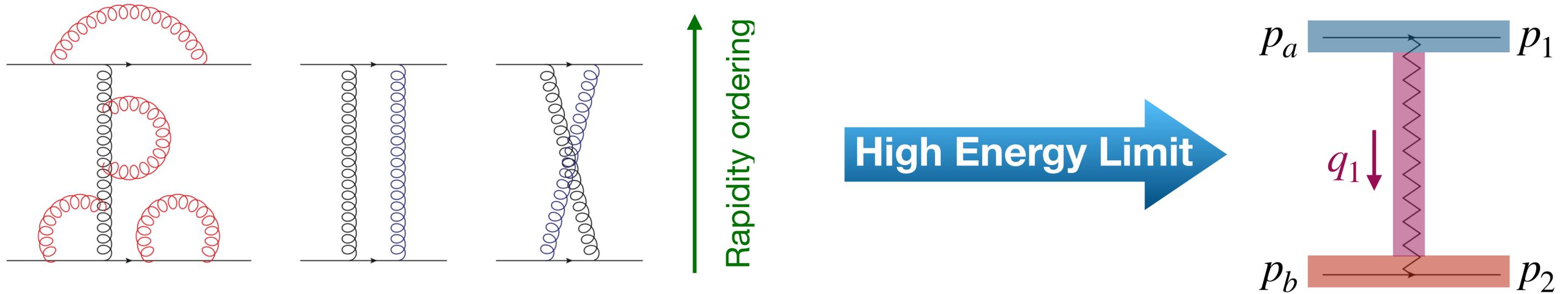
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Effective Lipatov vertex, gauge invariant

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Finite expression: soft divergences cancel with real corrections

$$\mathcal{M} \propto \frac{\exp(\alpha(q_1)\Delta y_{12})}{q_1^2} j^\mu(p_1, p_a) j_\mu(p_2, p_b)$$

The gluon in the t-channel reggeizes: Lipatov Ansatz (valid even at NLL)

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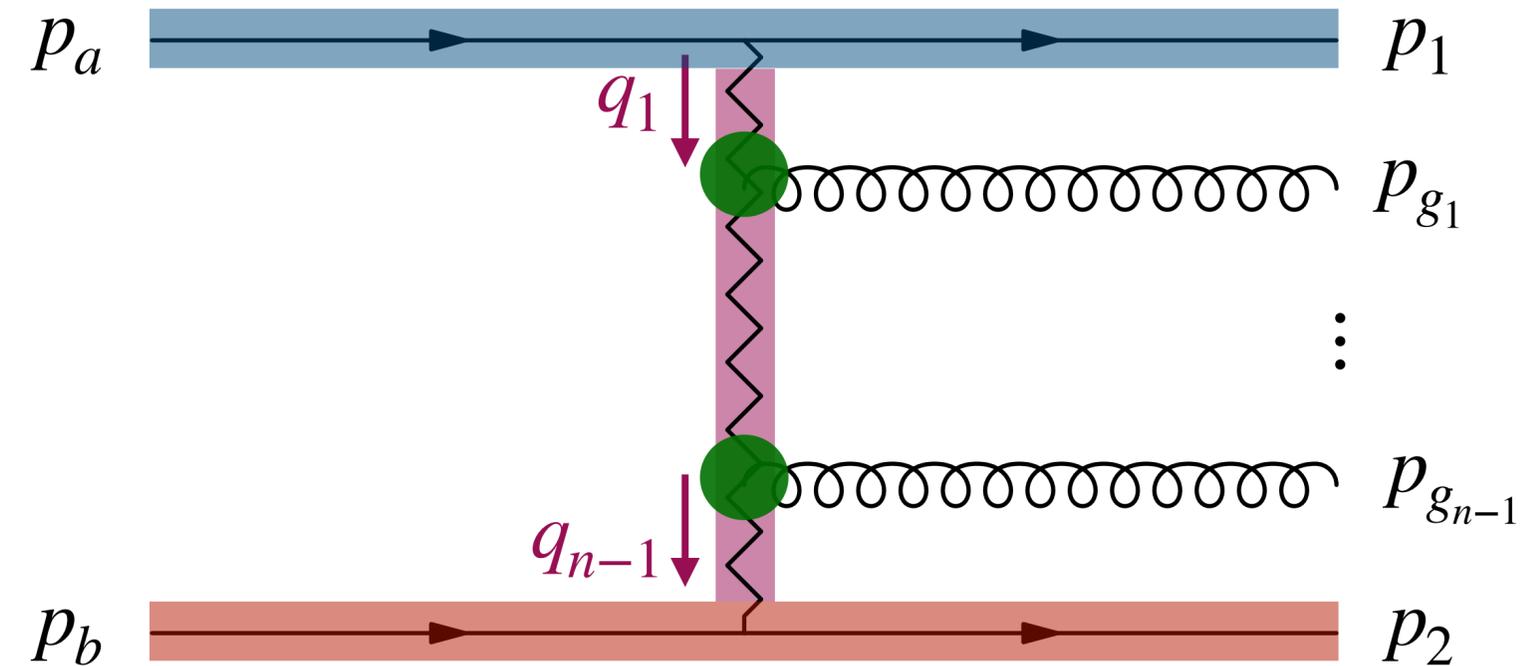
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- ◆ All-order leading-log results
- ◆ Gauge-invariant in all phase-space
- ◆ Phase-space not approximated
- ◆ Monte-Carlo integration
- ◆ IR divergences cancel



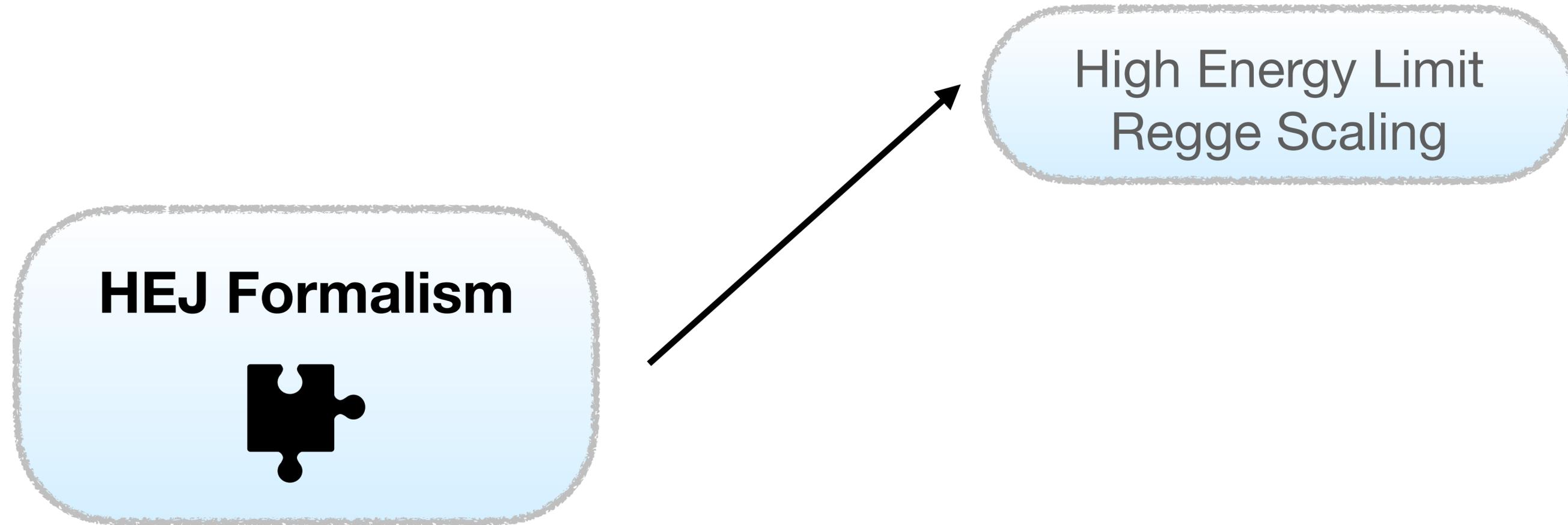
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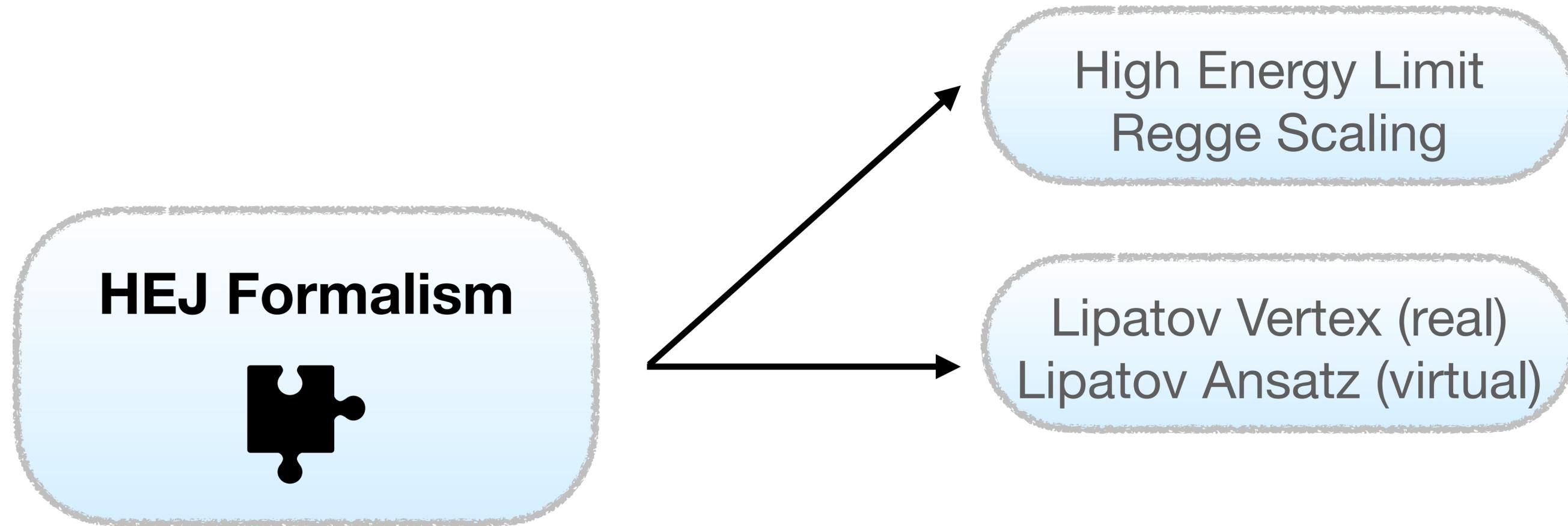
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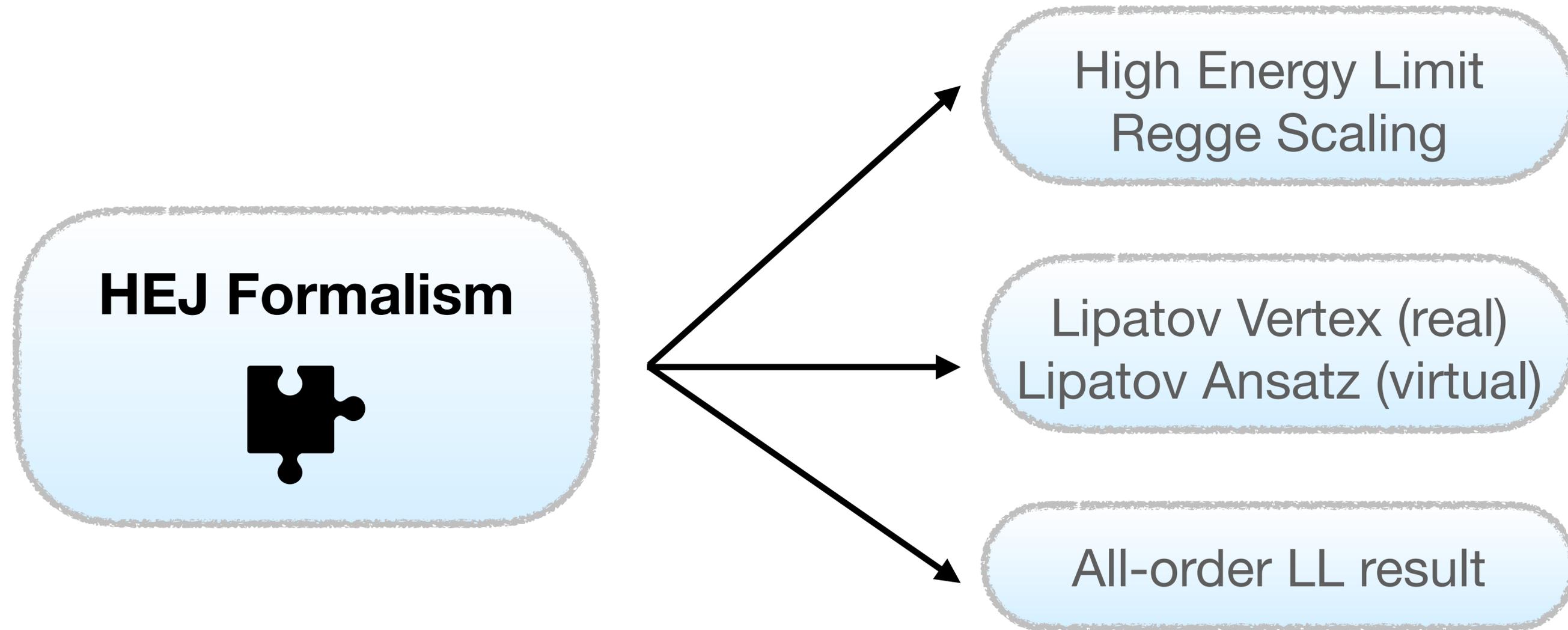
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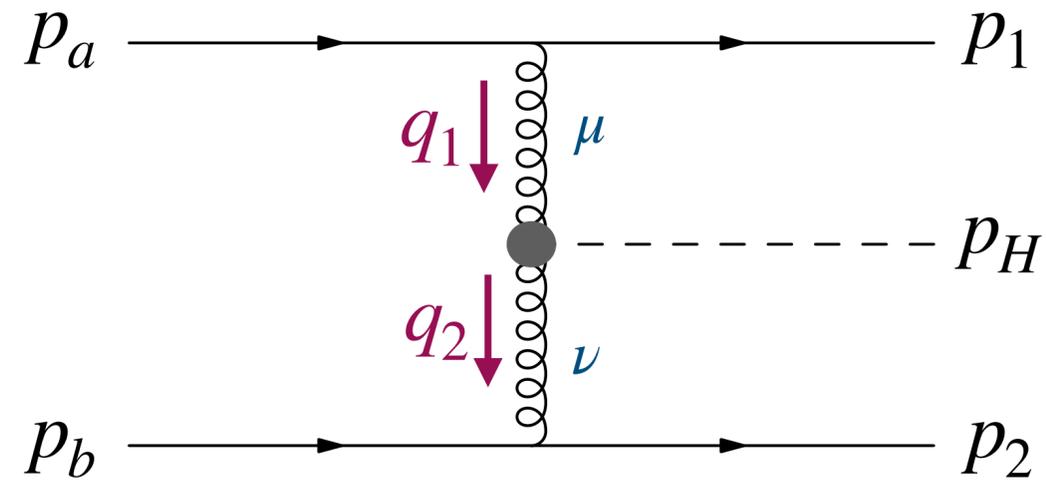
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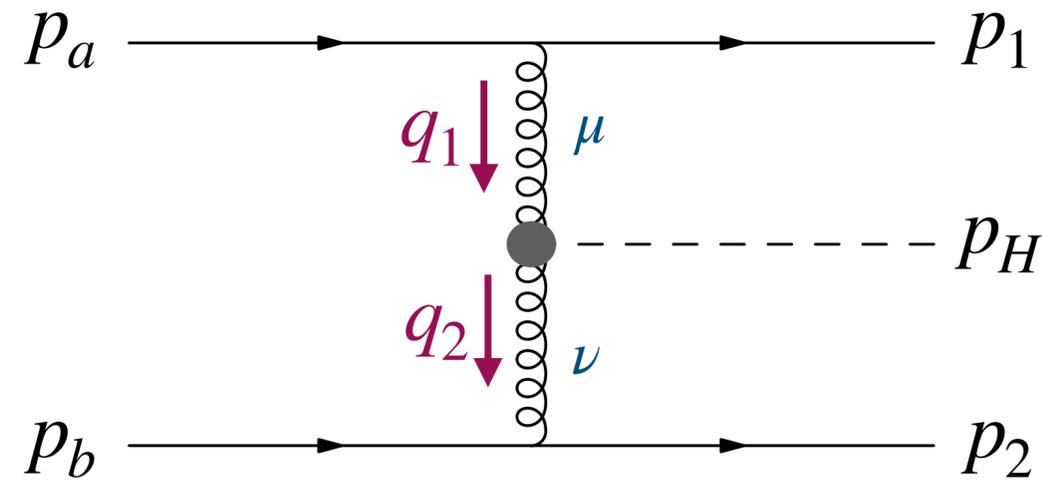
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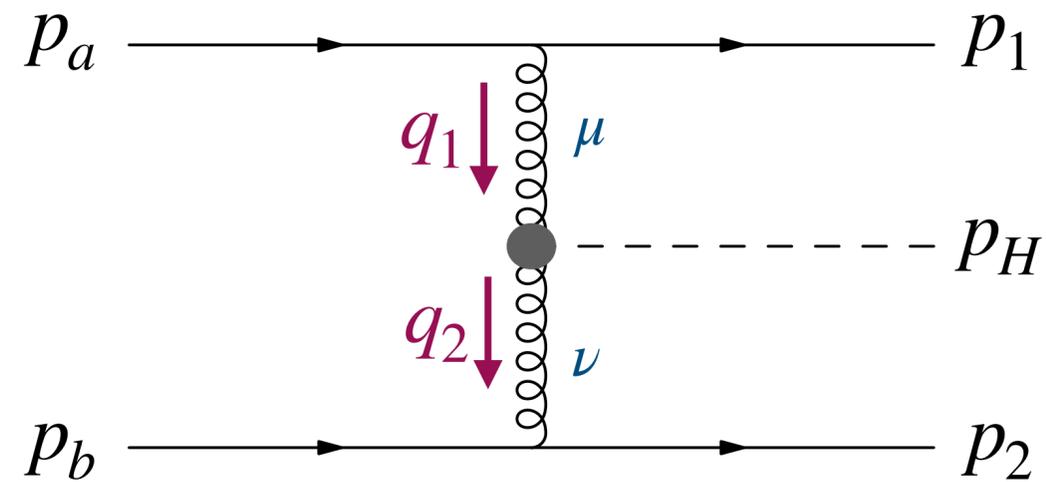


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$$\xrightarrow{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\alpha_s}{3\pi v} (g^{\mu\nu} q_1 \cdot q_2 - q_2^\mu q_1^\nu)$$

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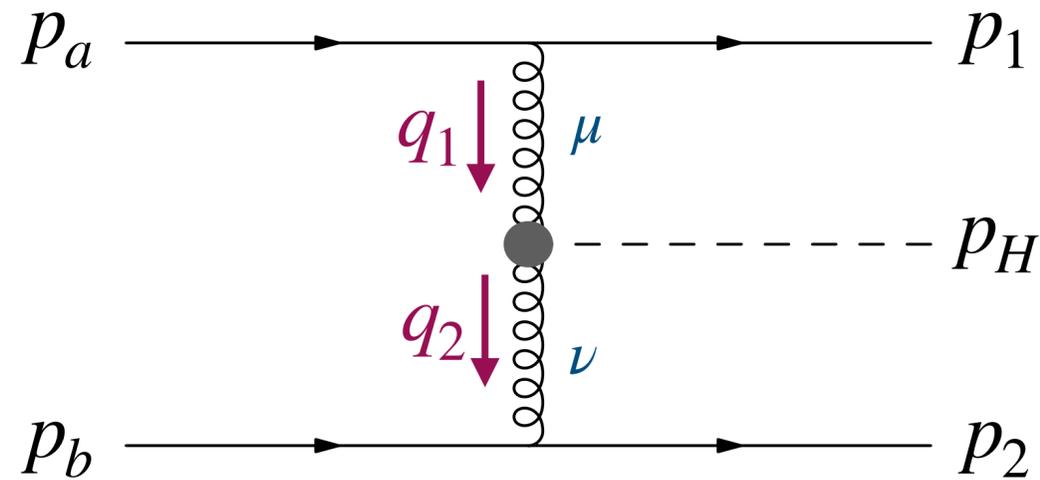


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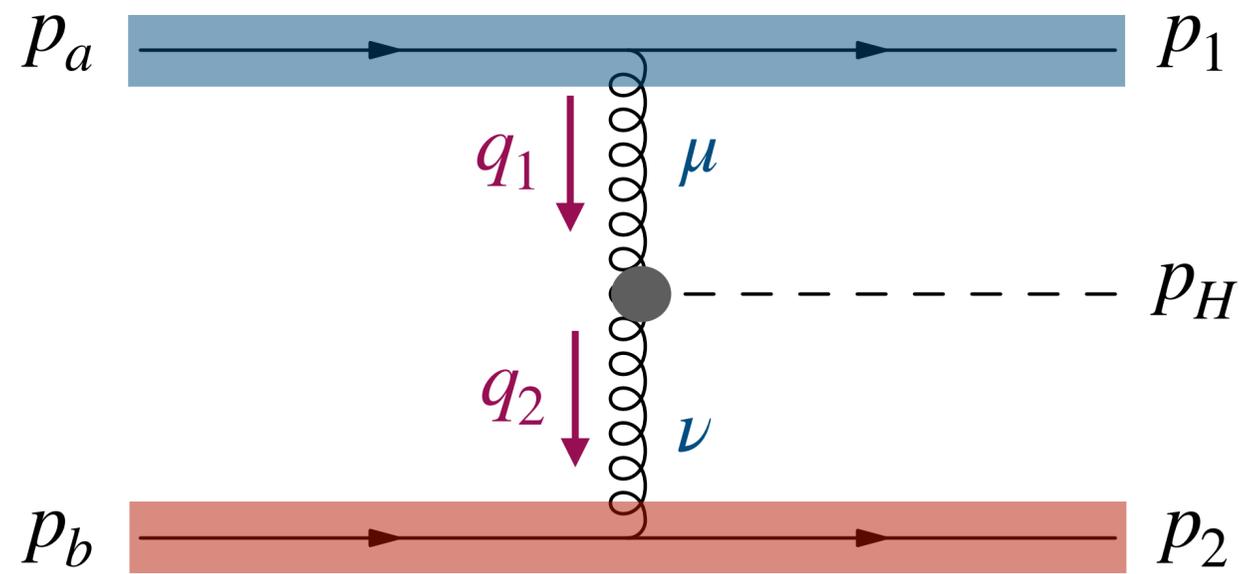
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t-channel factorised form allows us to keep the full quark masses dependence

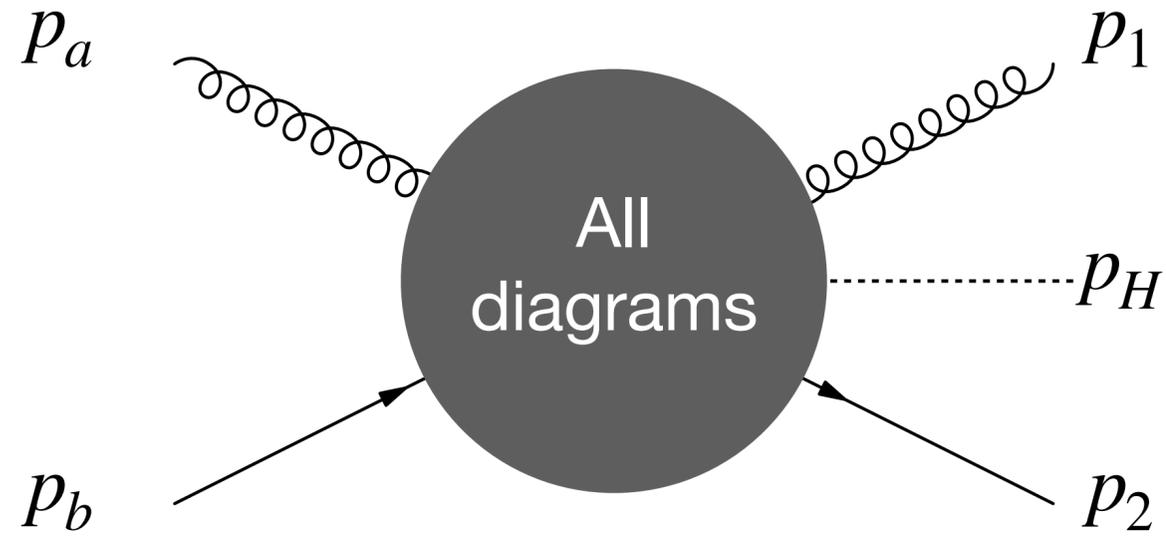
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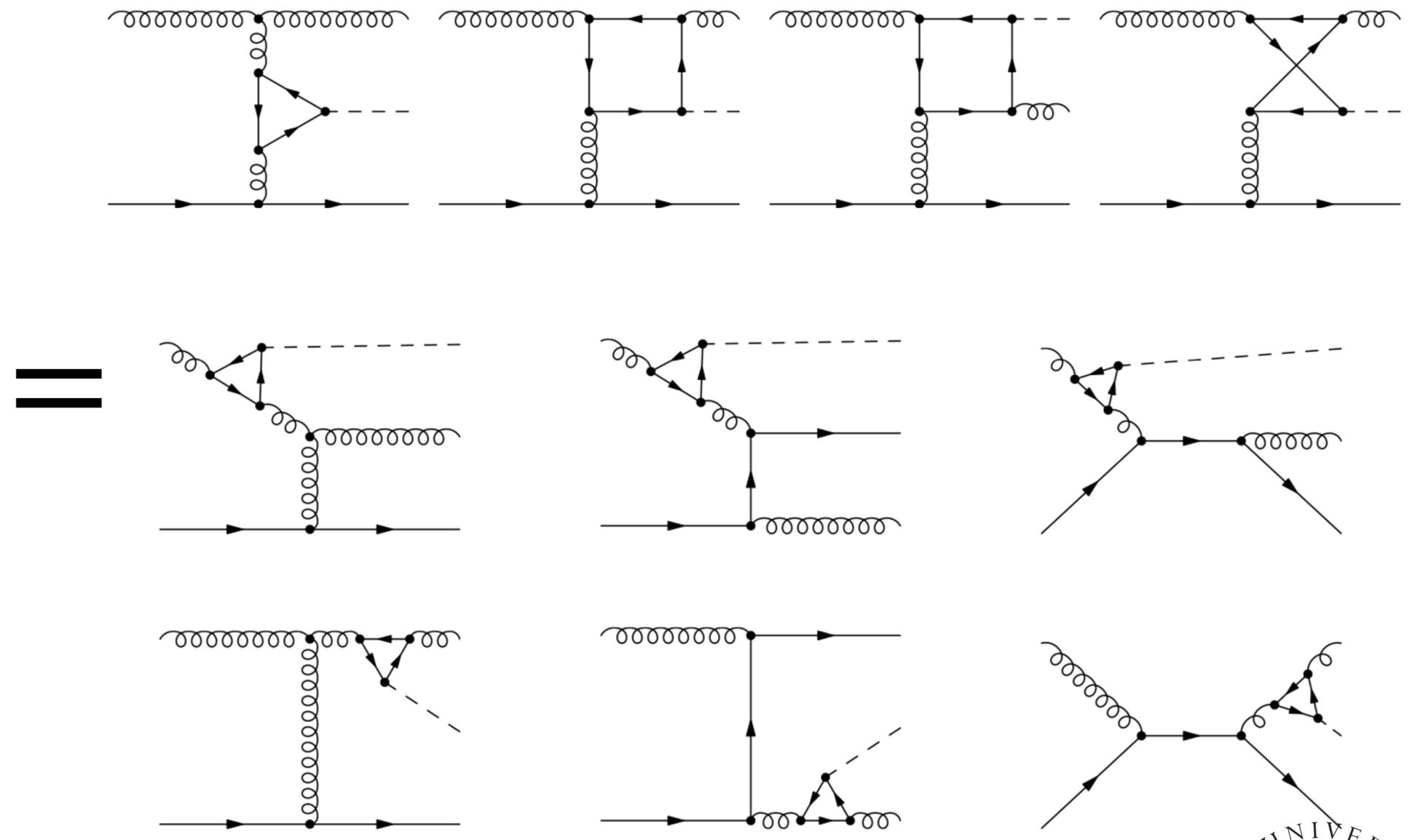
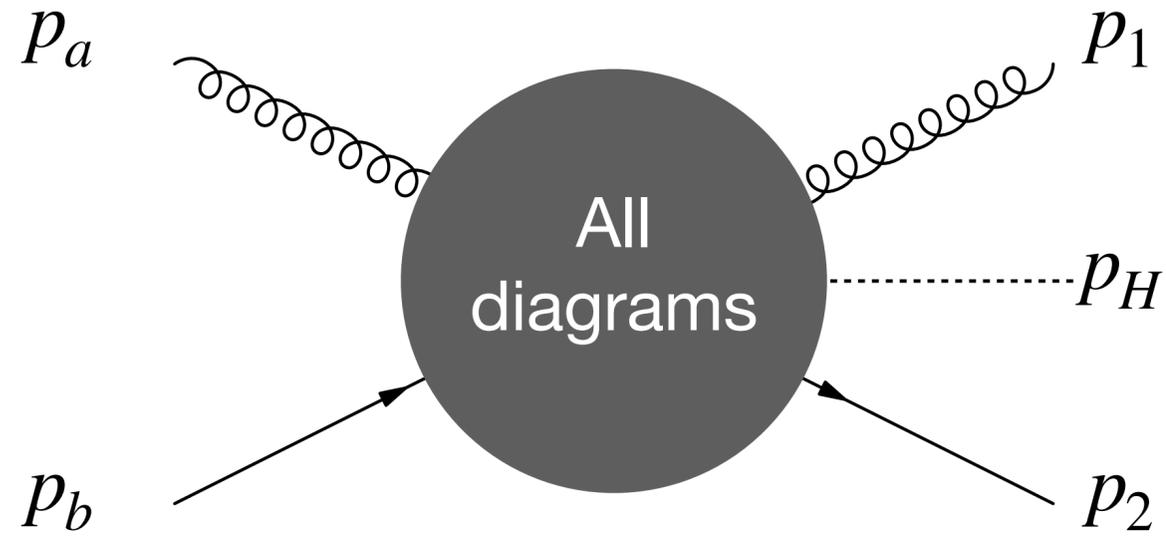
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Simple factorised expression, no approximations here!

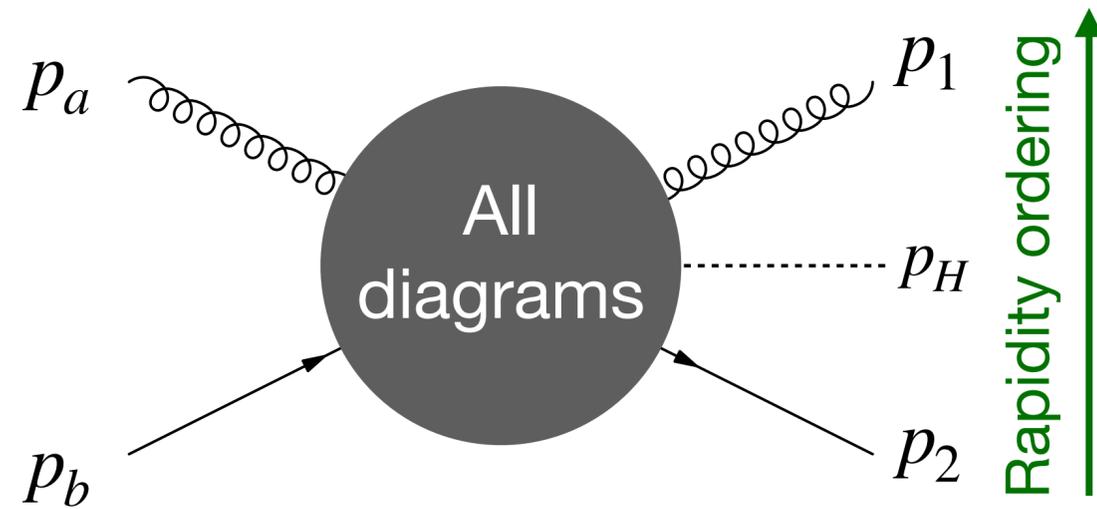
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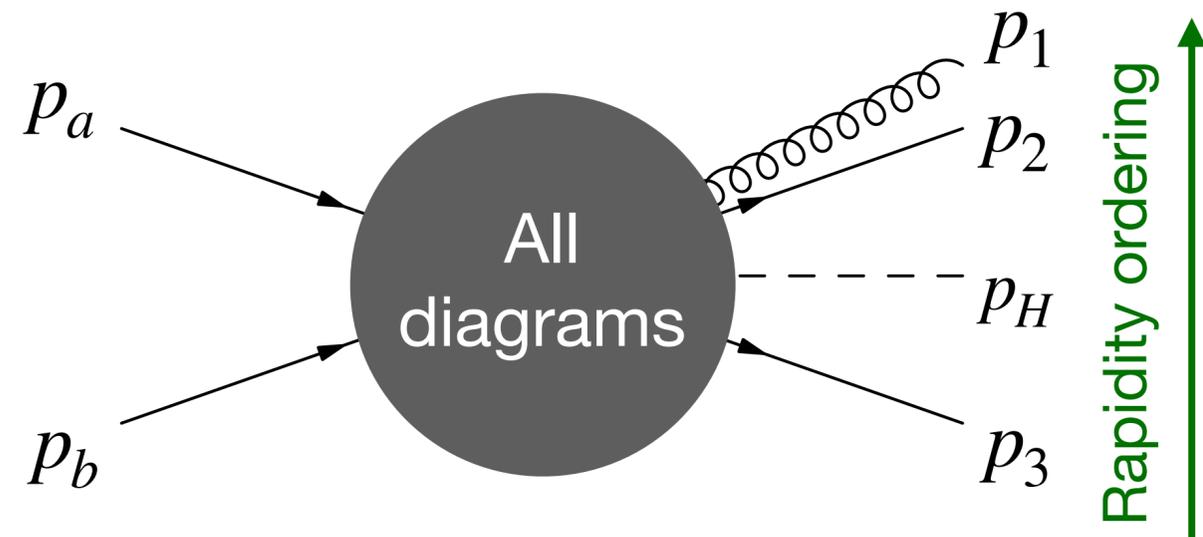
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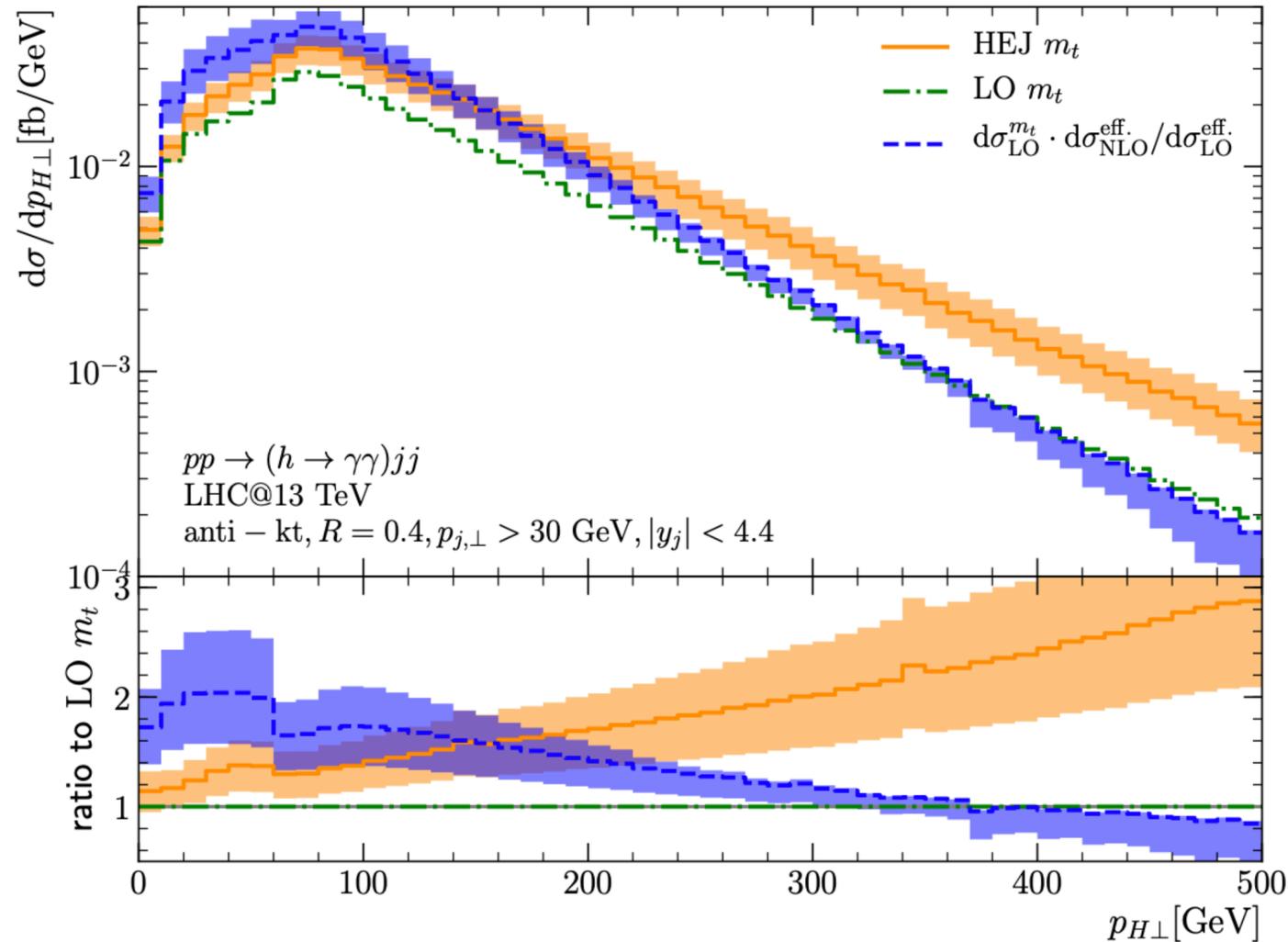
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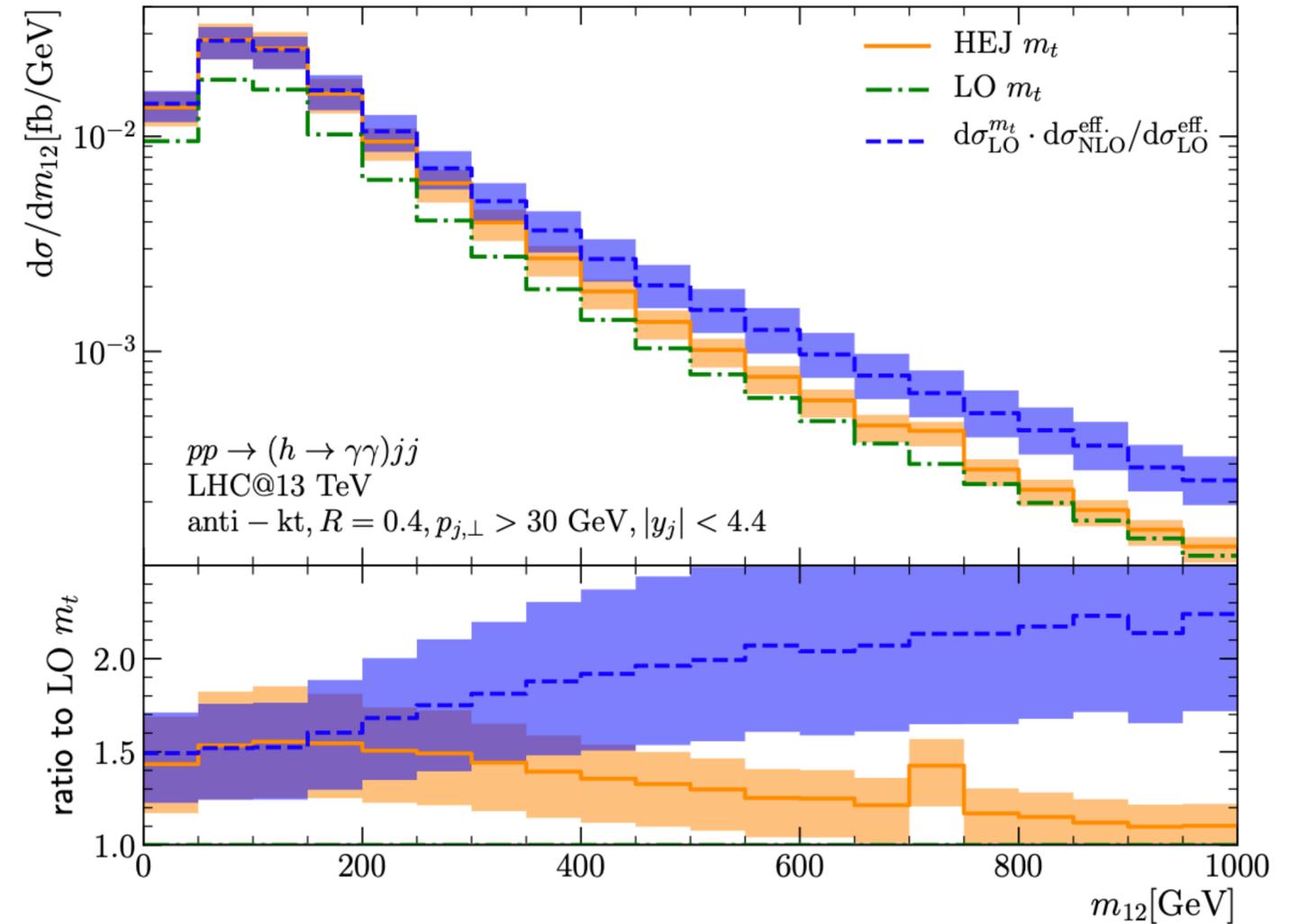
Adapted from ATLAS analysis [[1407.4222](#)]

<b>Baseline Jet Cuts</b>	
Rapidity	$ y_j  < 4.4$
Transverse momentum	$p_{\perp,j} > 30 \text{ GeV}$
<b>Baseline Photon Cuts</b>	
Rapidity	$ y_\gamma  < 2.37$
Diphoton invariant mass	$105 \text{ GeV} < m_{\gamma_1\gamma_2} < 160 \text{ GeV}$
Transverse momentum hardest photon	$p_{\perp,\gamma_1} > 0.35 m_{\gamma_1\gamma_2}$
Transverse momentum other photon	$p_{\perp,\gamma_2} > 0.25 m_{\gamma_1\gamma_2}$
<b>Vector Boson Fusion (VBF) Cuts</b>	
Rapidity jet difference	$ y_{j_1} - y_{j_2}  < 2.8$
Invariant dijet mass	$m_{j_1j_2} > 400 \text{ GeV}$

# Resummation Effects

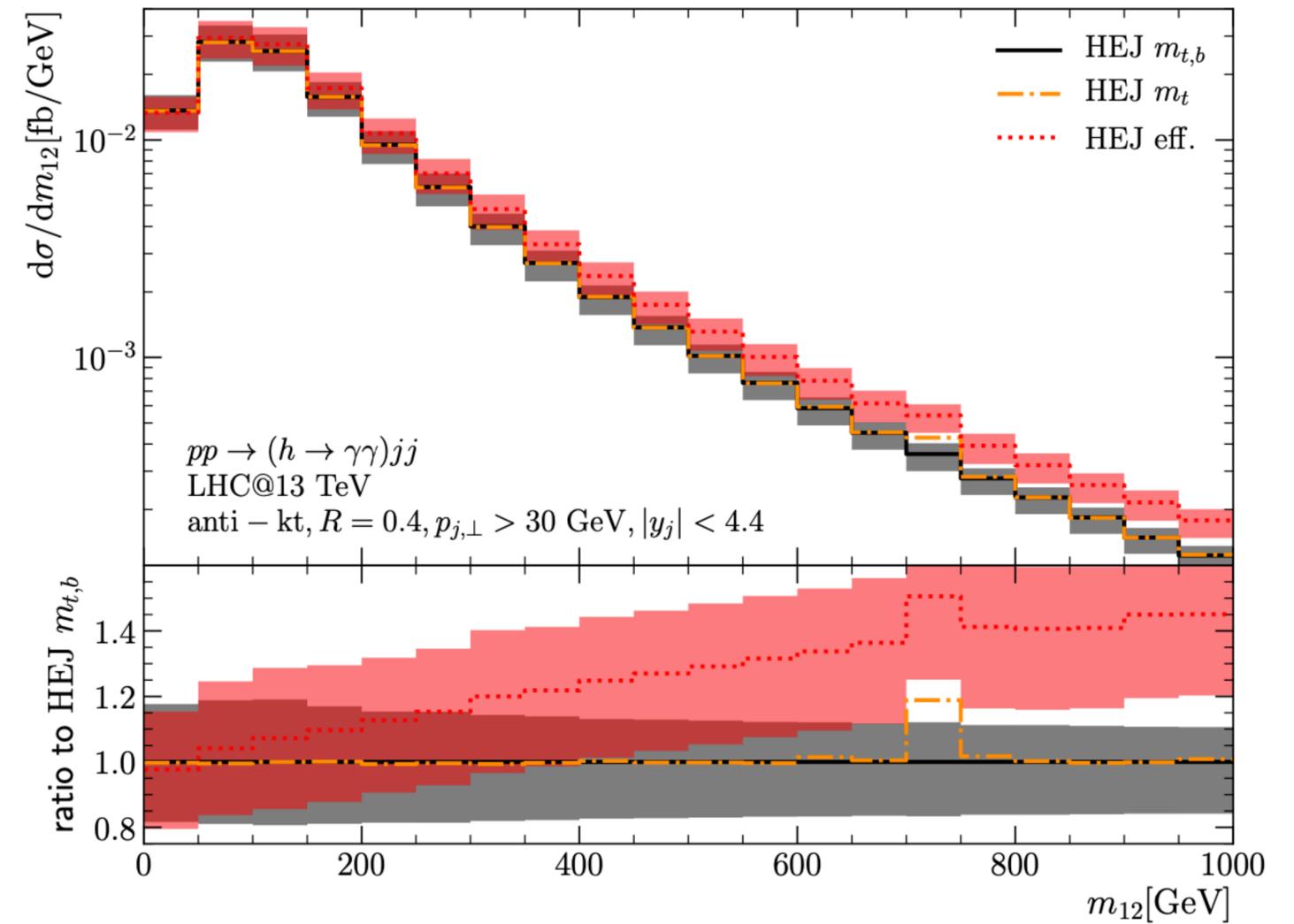
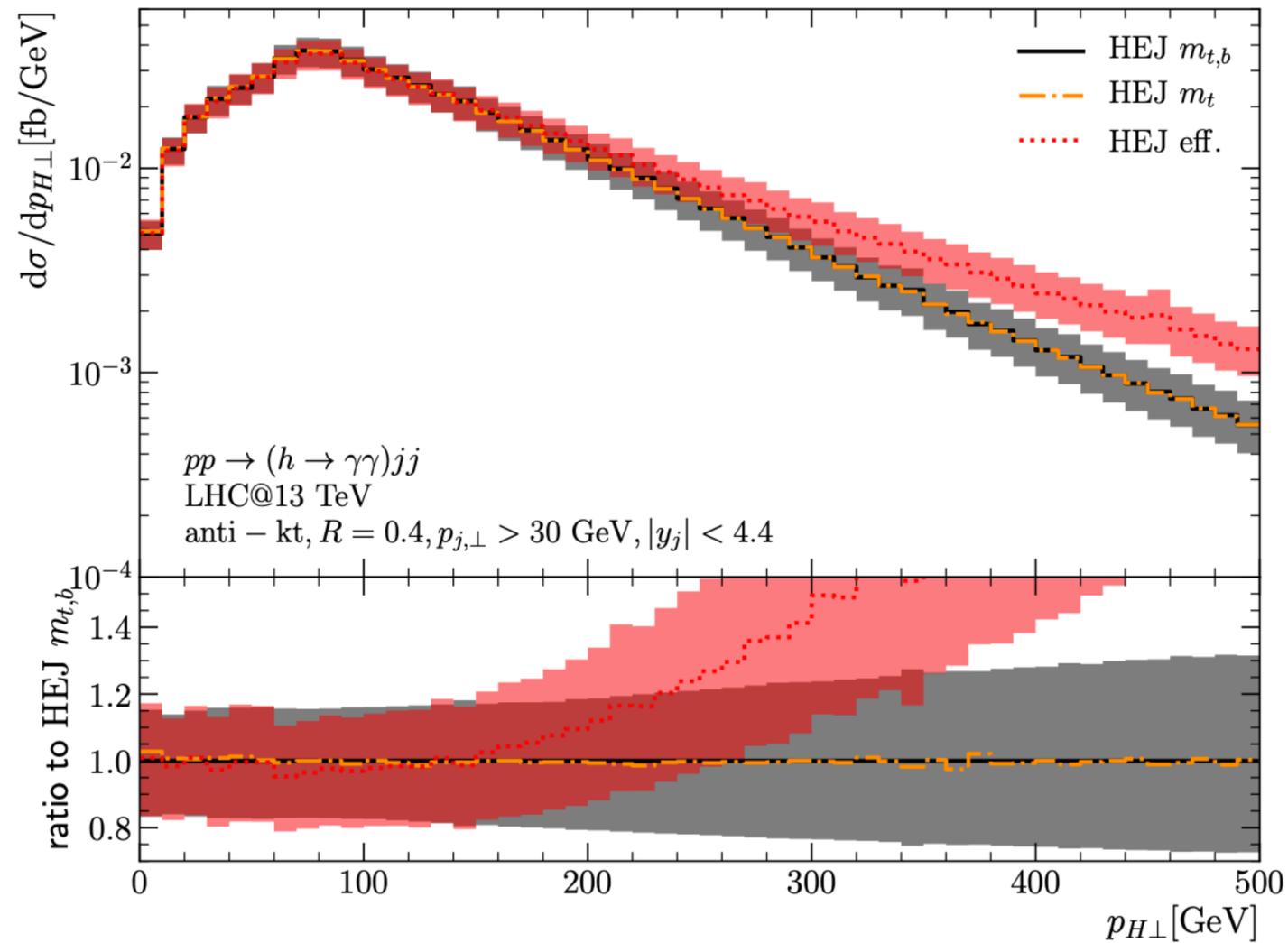


Transverse momentum sensitive to resummation  
 Resummation hardens the tail



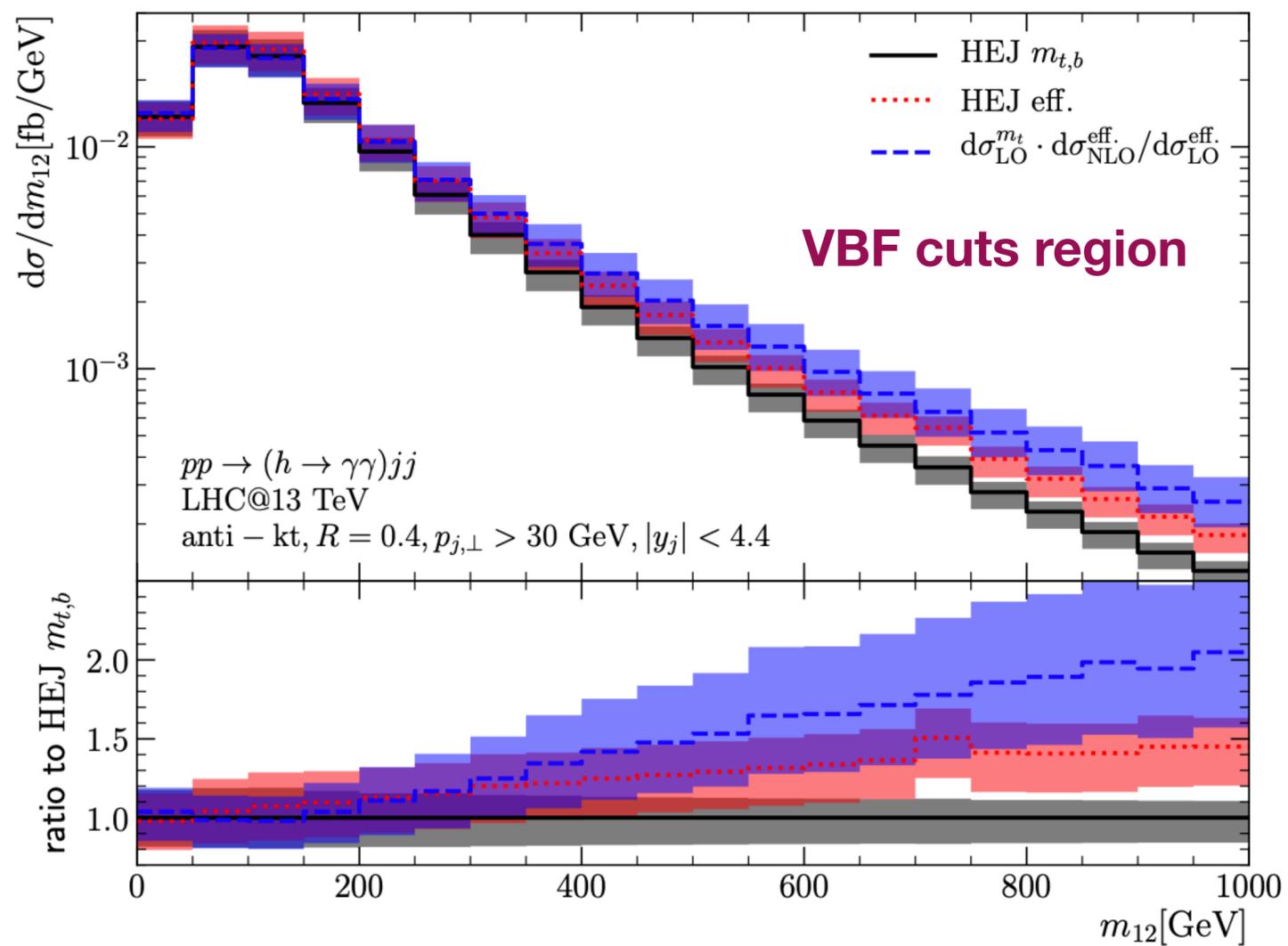
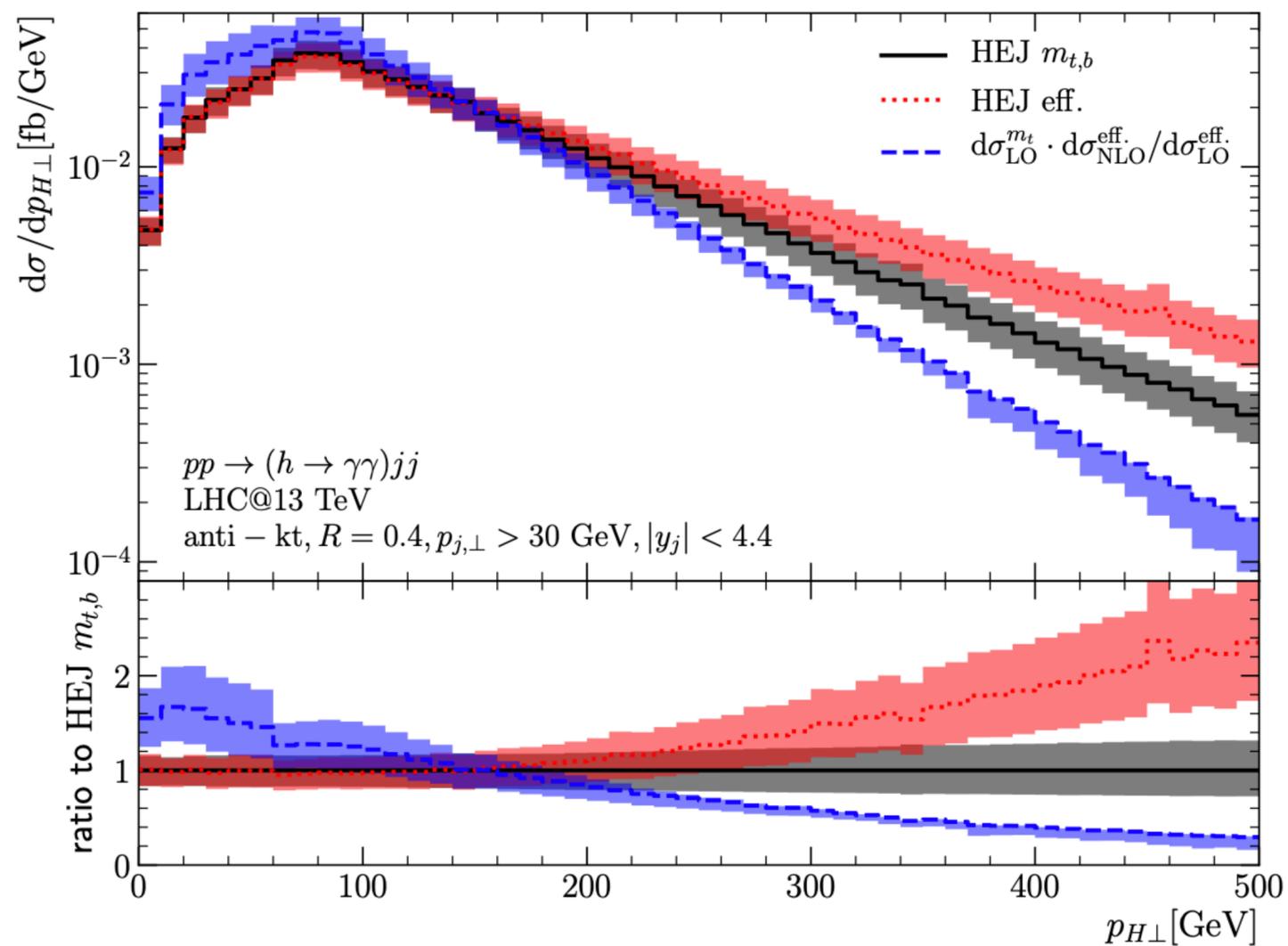
Important observable for VBF cuts!  
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# Finite Quark Masses Effects

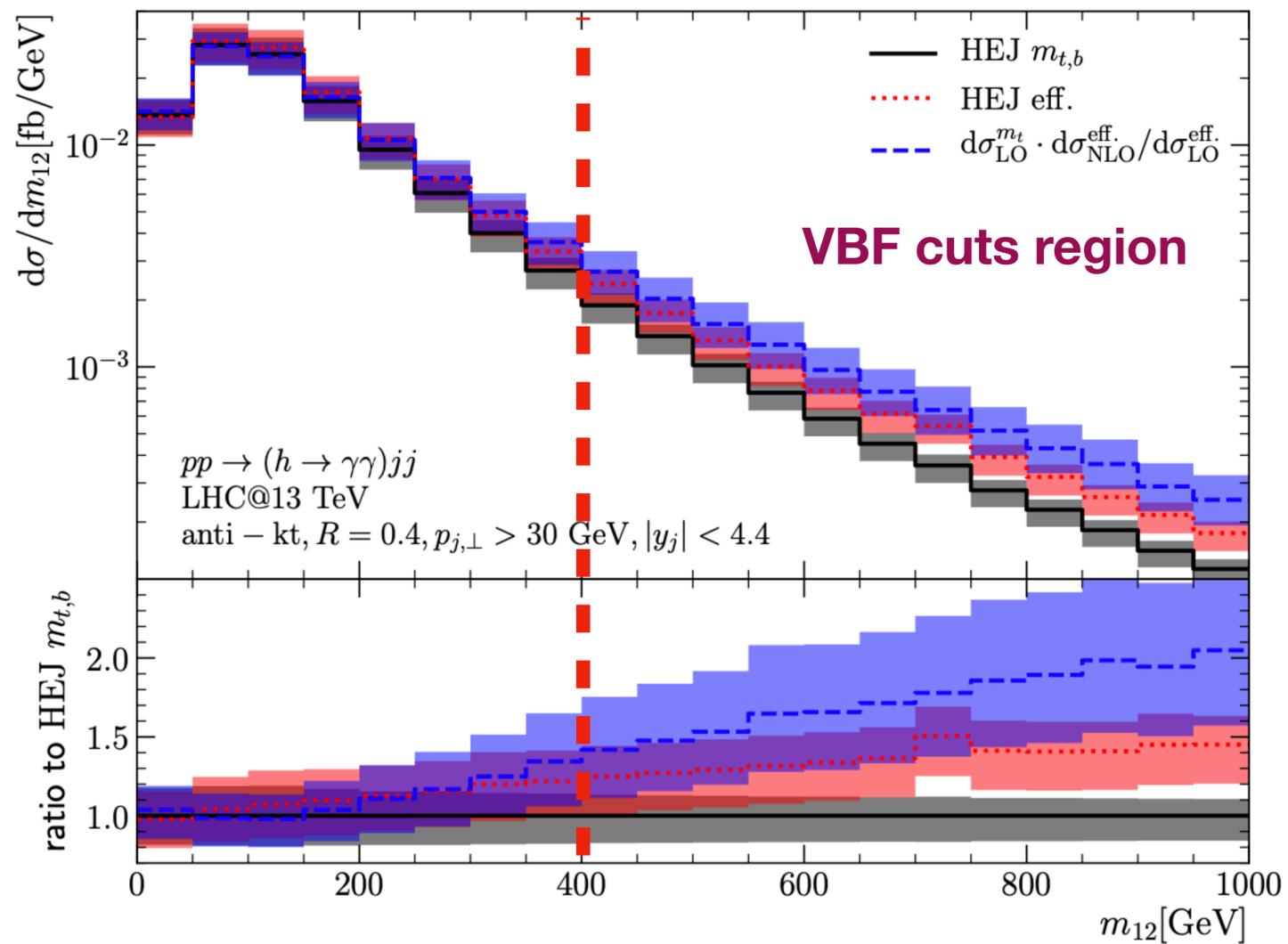
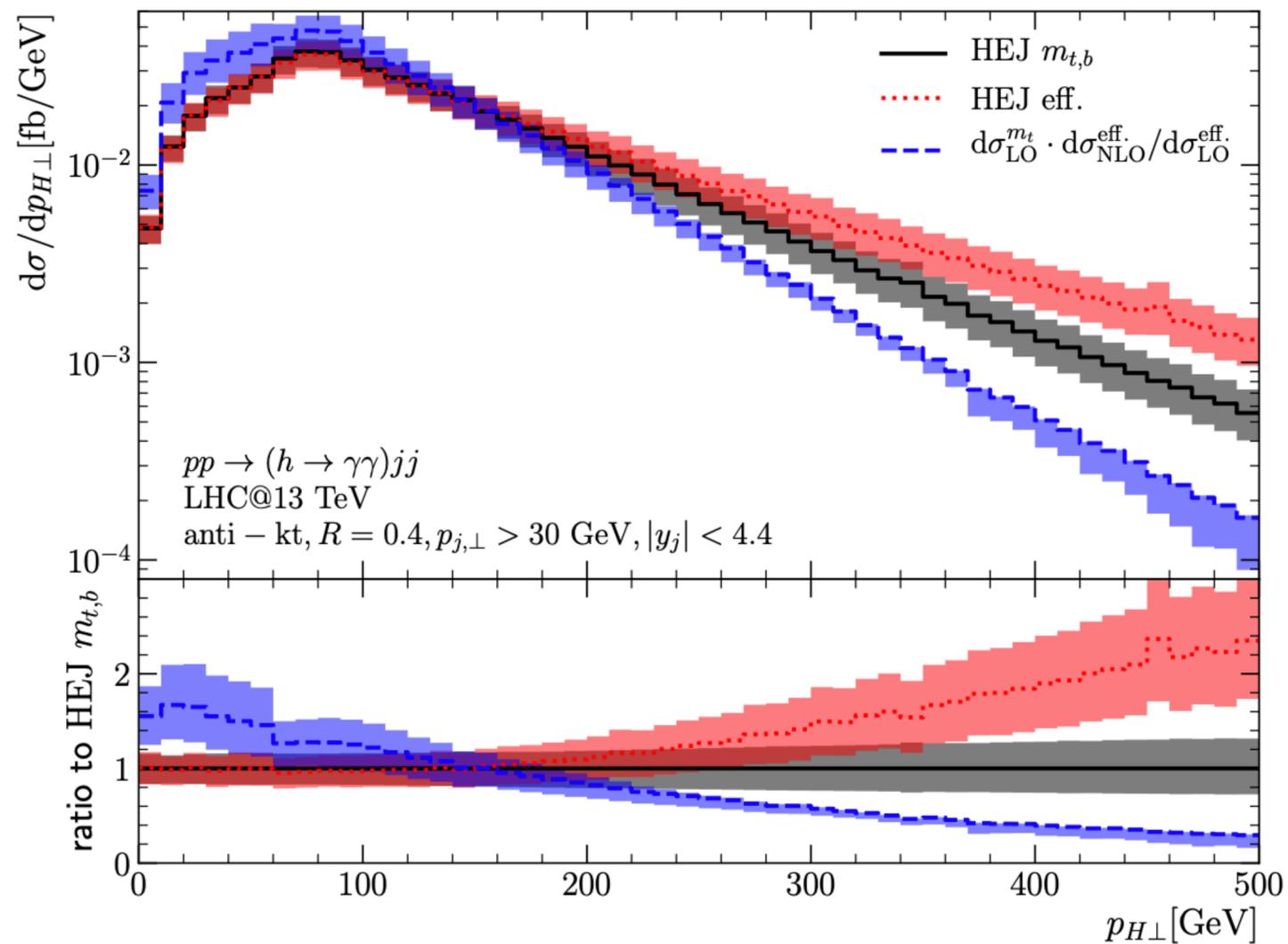


Finite top mass effects is sizeable (bottom mass is not)

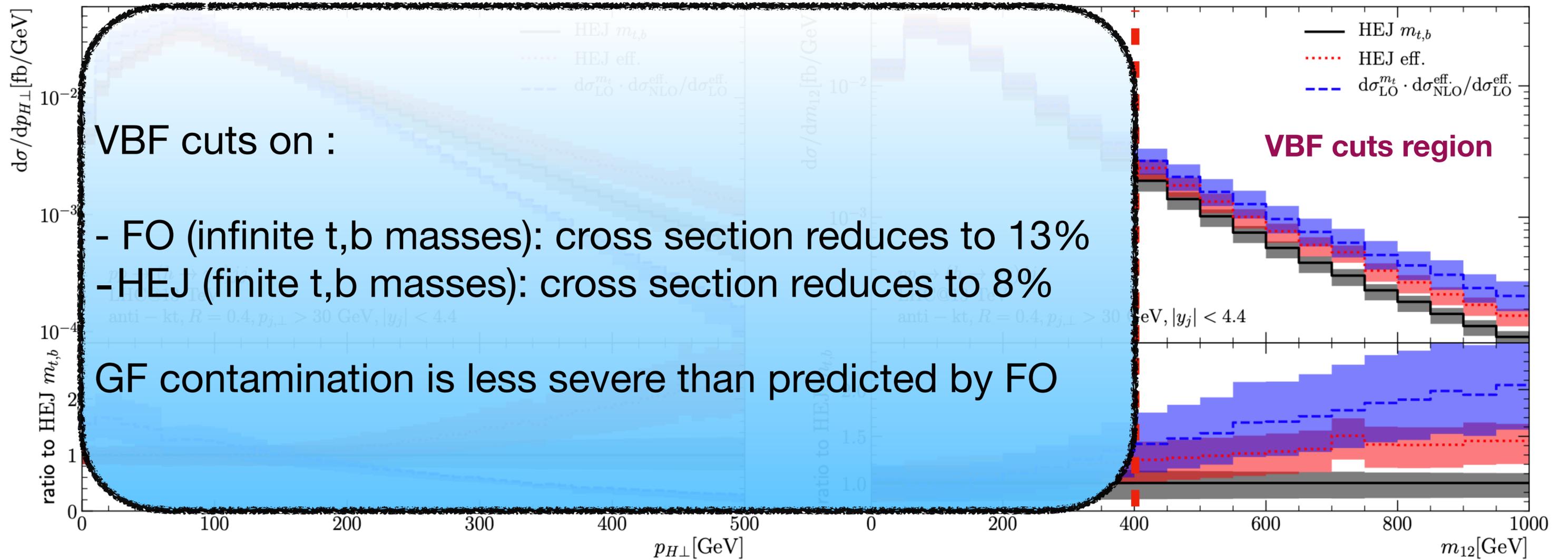
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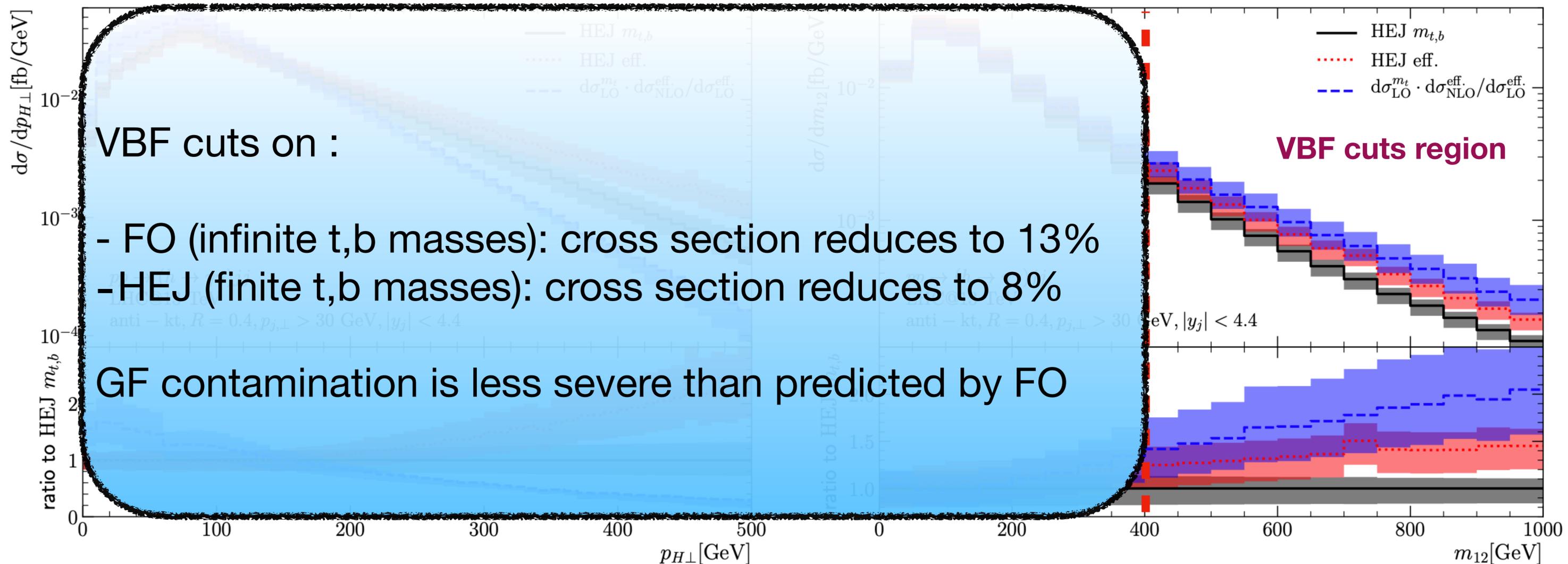
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Effects add up: VBF cuts are more efficient than predicted by FO

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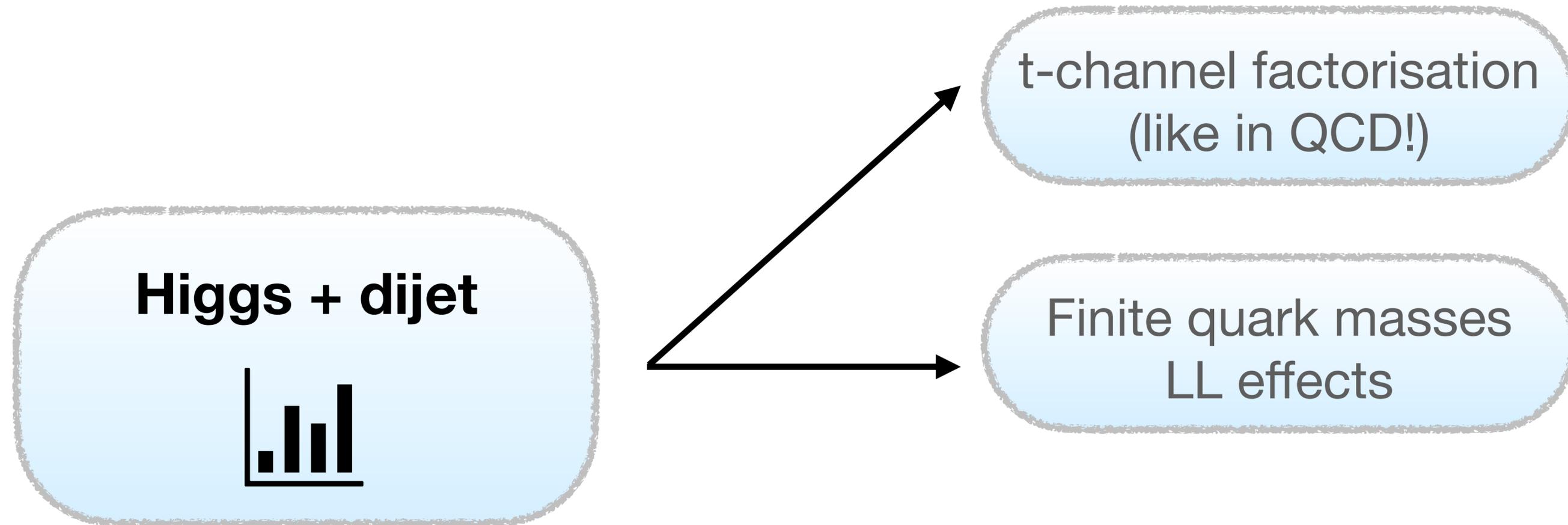
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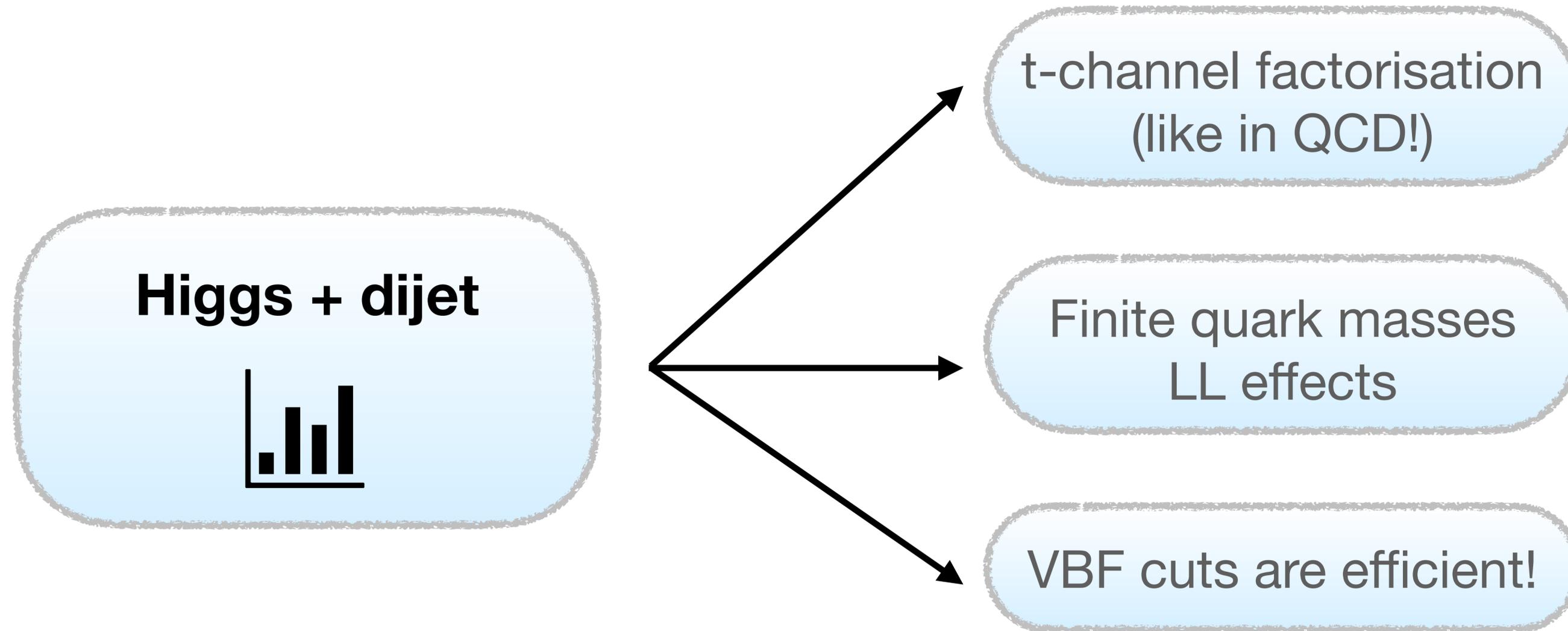


t-channel factorisation  
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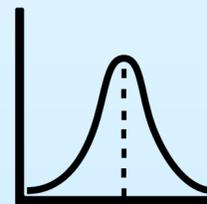
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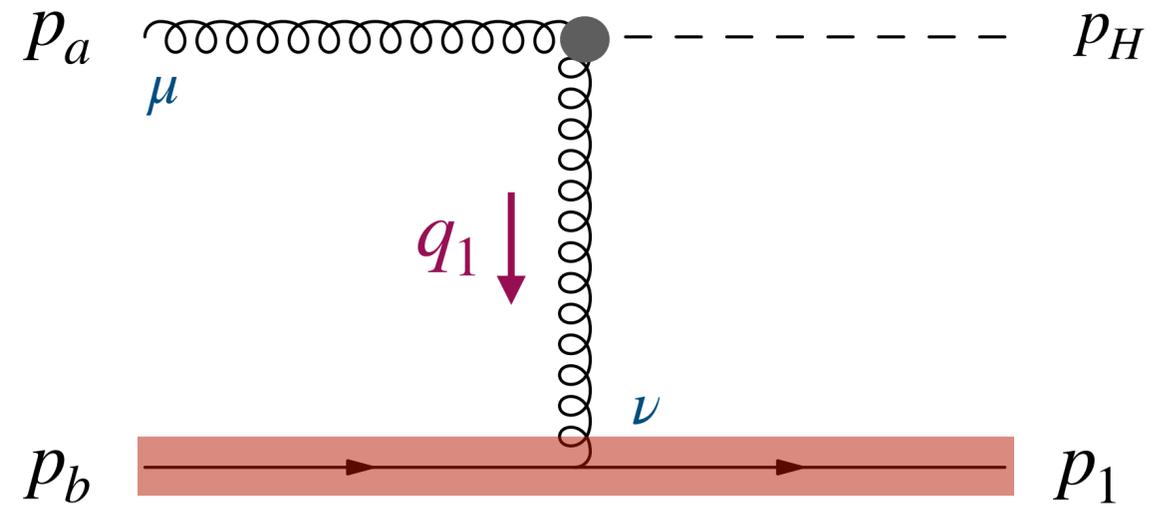
Comparisons to  
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[\[2210.10671\]](#)

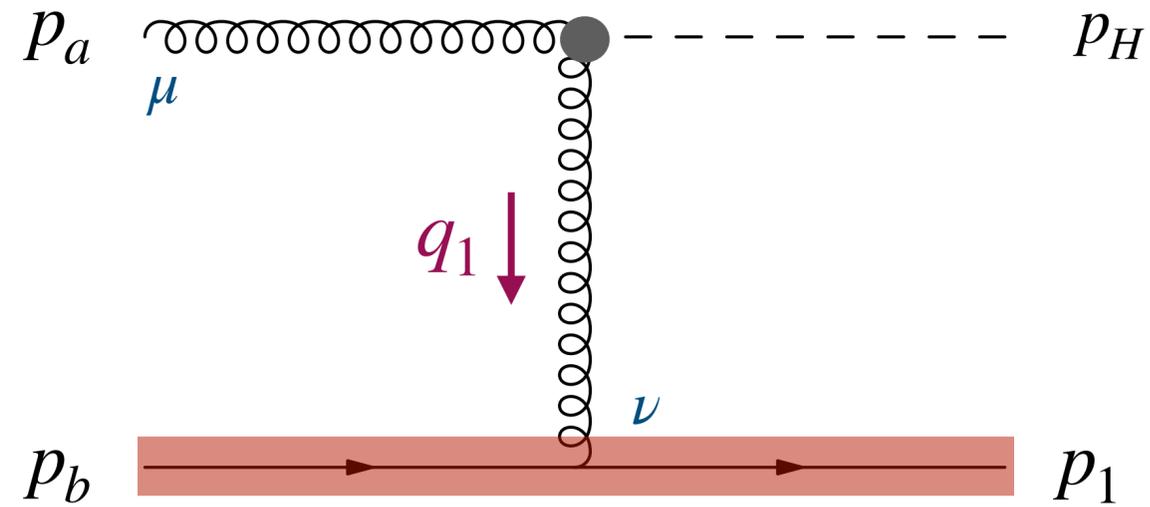


# New Components for H+1j



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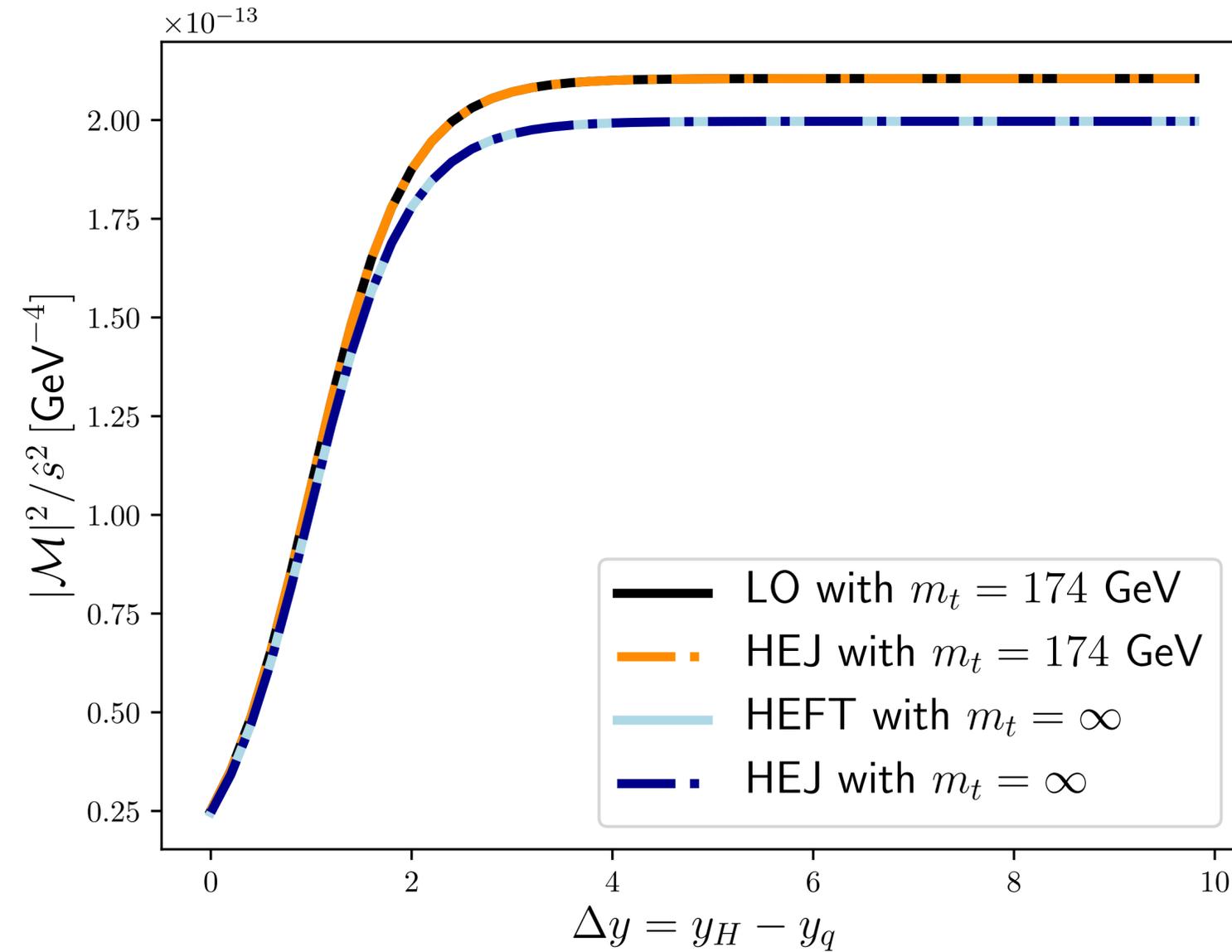
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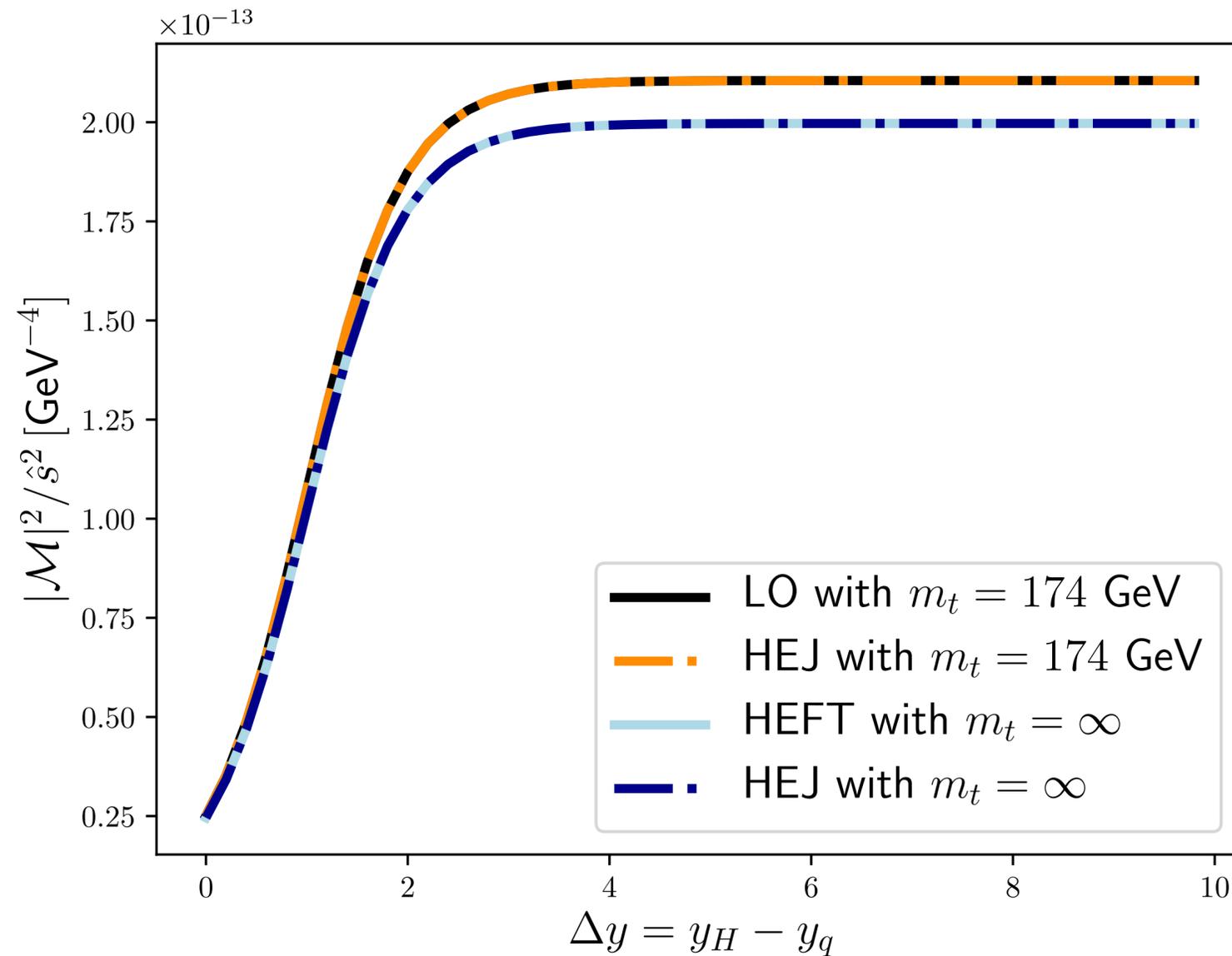
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Simple factorised expression, no approximations here!  
 Before moving on, check Regge scaling

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Indeed, no approximations,  
exact LO description **with**  
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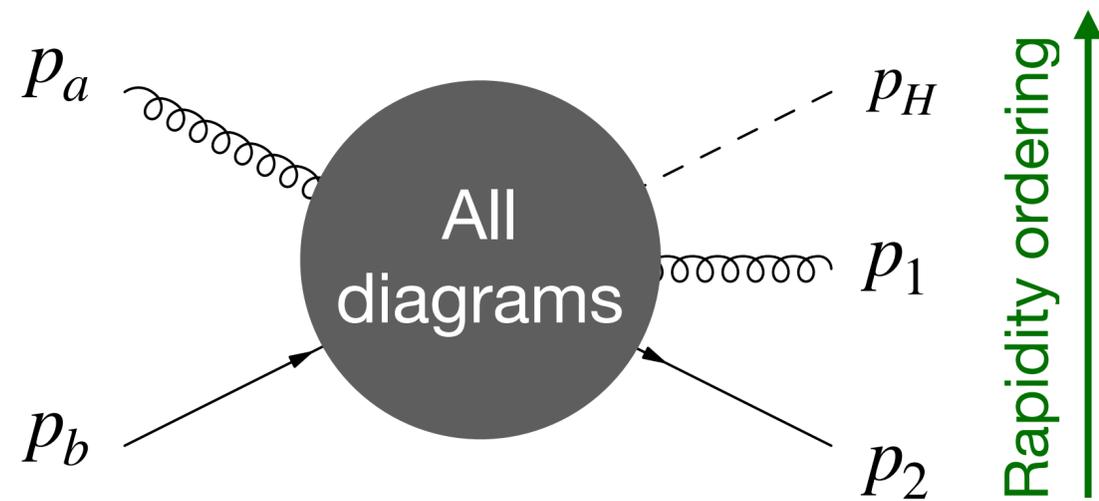
Regge scaling is verified:

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Even though the Higgs is  
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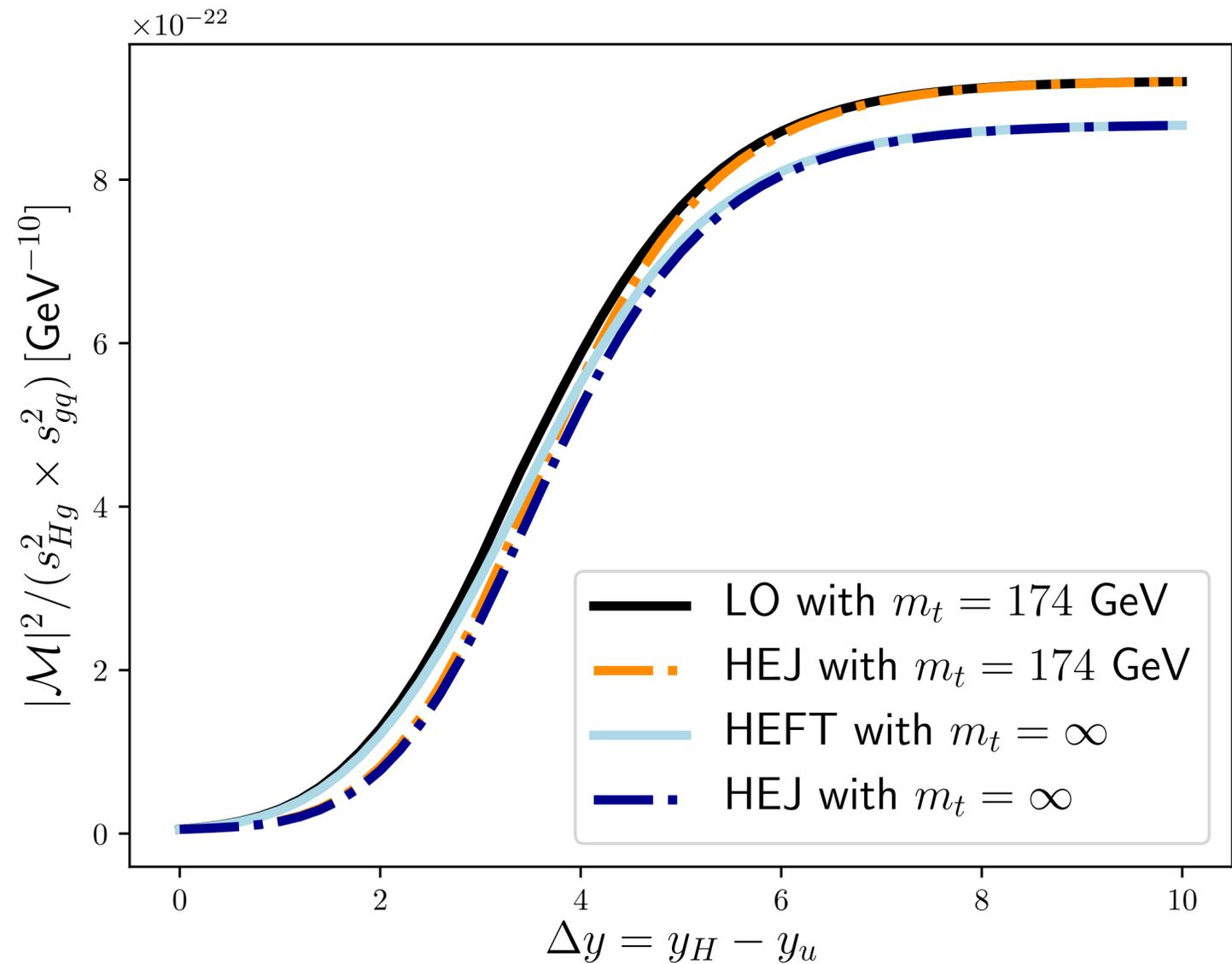
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Approximations remain decent at low rapidity difference **with** or **without** finite top mass.

Regge theory is verified!

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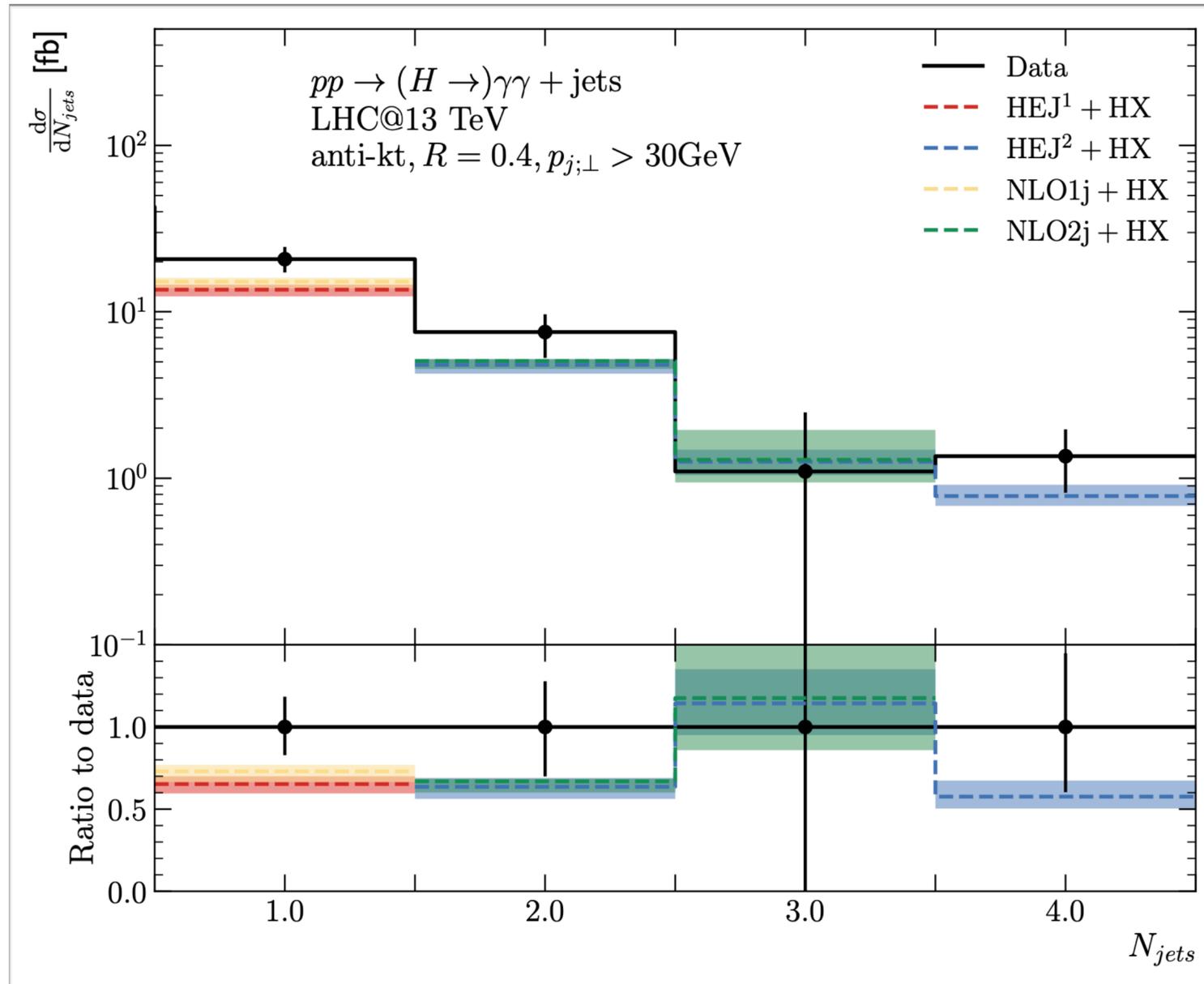


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CMS analysis [[1807.03825](#), [2208.12279](#)]

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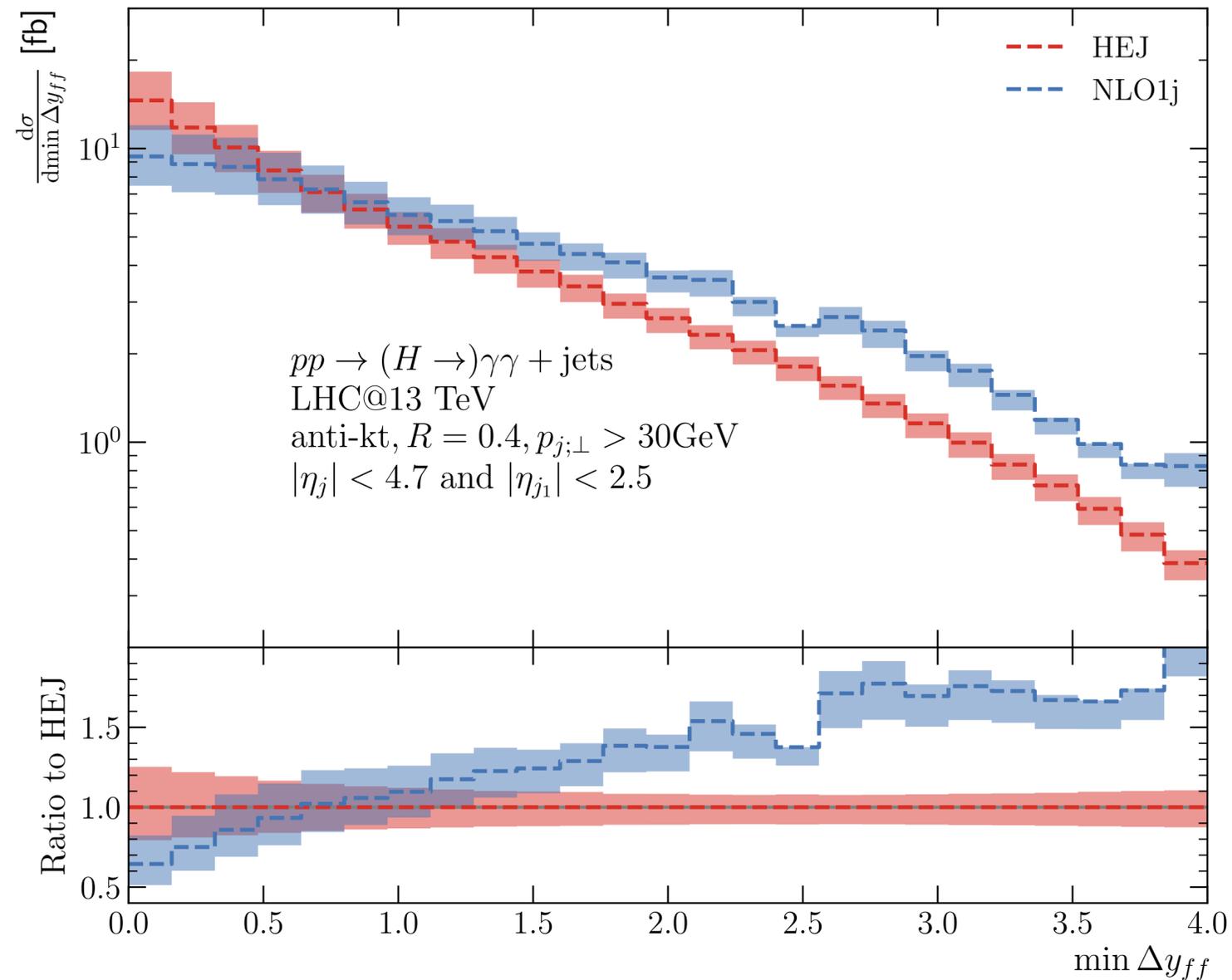


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 NLO 2j with infinite  $m_t$

Resummed predictions for 4 jets and more

Electroweak (HX) added on top neglecting Interferences

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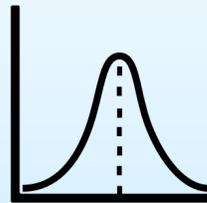
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NLO effects harden the tail of  
large dijet rapidity separation

HEJ resummation soften the tail:  
the logarithms are numerically significant!

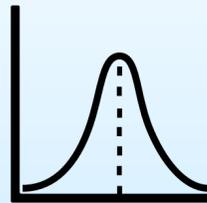
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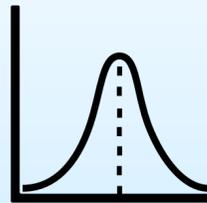
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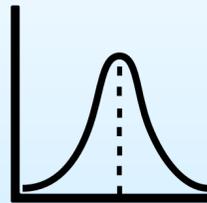


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## Ongoing work

Merging with parton shower, reaching NLL accuracy, amplitudes for Vector Boson production

# Thank you for listening

Any questions?

