

Lecture 3: IR singularities, jets and event shapes, PDFs



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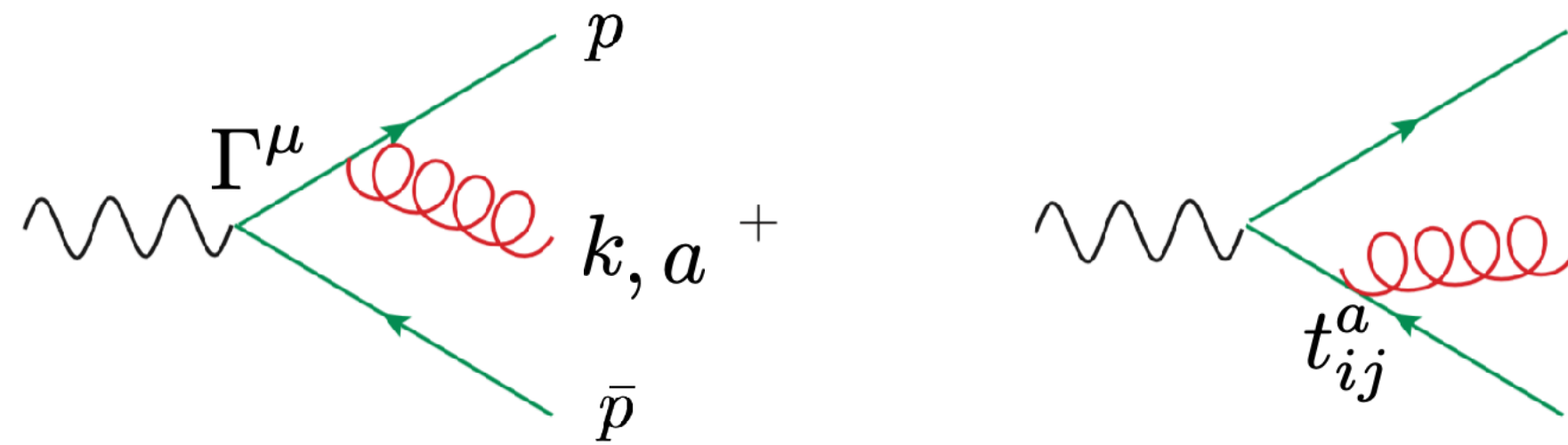
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Outline

- universal infrared properties of QCD
- jets and event shapes
- deeply inelastic scattering (DIS)
- parton densities and parton evolution
- hadronic initial states
- parton showers

Soft gluon emission



$$\mathcal{M}_{Born}^\mu = \bar{u}(p)\Gamma^\mu v(\bar{p})$$

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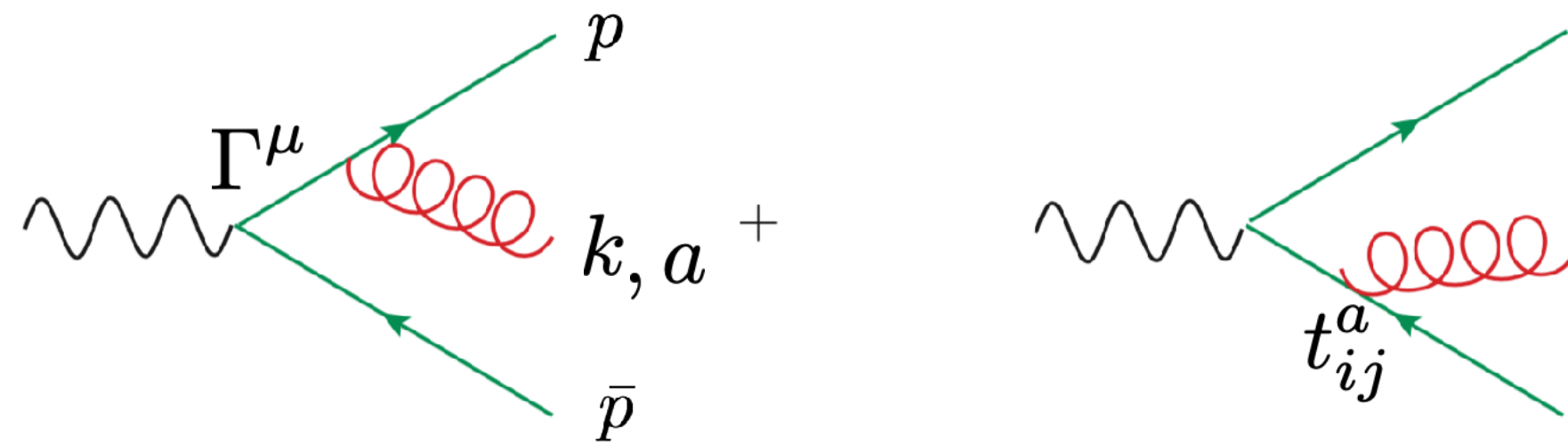
soft limit: $k \rightarrow 0$ except in linear terms in denominator

$$\mathcal{M}_{soft}^\mu = g_s \mu^\epsilon \bar{u}(p) \Gamma^\mu \left(t_{ij}^a \frac{2\epsilon(k) \cdot p}{2p \cdot k} - t_{ij}^a \frac{2\epsilon(k) \cdot \bar{p}}{2\bar{p} \cdot k} \right) v(\bar{p})$$

$$= g_s \mu^\epsilon \mathbf{J}^{a,\nu}(k) \epsilon_\nu(k) \mathcal{M}_{Born}^\mu \quad \text{soft current}$$

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universal factorisation property

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Soft factorisation at amplitude squared level

$$|\mathcal{M}(k, p_1, \dots, p_m)|^2 \xrightarrow{\text{k soft}} -g_s^2 \mu^{2\epsilon} 2 \sum_{i,j=1}^m S_{ij}(k) |\mathcal{M}_{(i,j)}(p_1, \dots, p_m)|^2$$

m+1 momenta
k soft
m momenta

$$S_{ij}(k) = \frac{p_i \cdot p_j}{2 (p_i \cdot k) (p_j \cdot k)}$$

Eikonal factor

colour correlated matrix element:

$$|\mathcal{M}_{(i,j)}(p_1, \dots, p_m)|^2 \equiv \langle \mathcal{M}(p_1, \dots, p_m) | \mathbf{T}_i \cdot \mathbf{T}_j | \mathcal{M}(p_1, \dots, p_m) \rangle$$

$$= \left[\mathcal{M}_{c_1 \dots b_i \dots b_j \dots c_m}(p_1, \dots, p_m) \right]^* T_{b_i d_i}^a T_{b_j d_j}^a \mathcal{M}_{c_1 \dots d_i \dots d_j \dots c_m}(p_1, \dots, p_m)$$

m-parton matrix element
↑

colour correlations

Collinear singularities



convenient parametrisation of momenta: “Sudakov parametrisation”

p^μ collinear direction

n^μ light-like auxiliary vector

$$k_\perp p = k_\perp n = 0$$

$$p_1 = z p^\mu + k_\perp^\mu - \frac{k_\perp^2}{z} \frac{n^\mu}{2p_1 n} \quad z = \frac{E_1}{E_1 + E_g}$$

$$k = (1 - z) p^\mu - k_\perp^\mu - \frac{k_\perp^2}{1 - z} \frac{n^\mu}{2p_1 n}$$

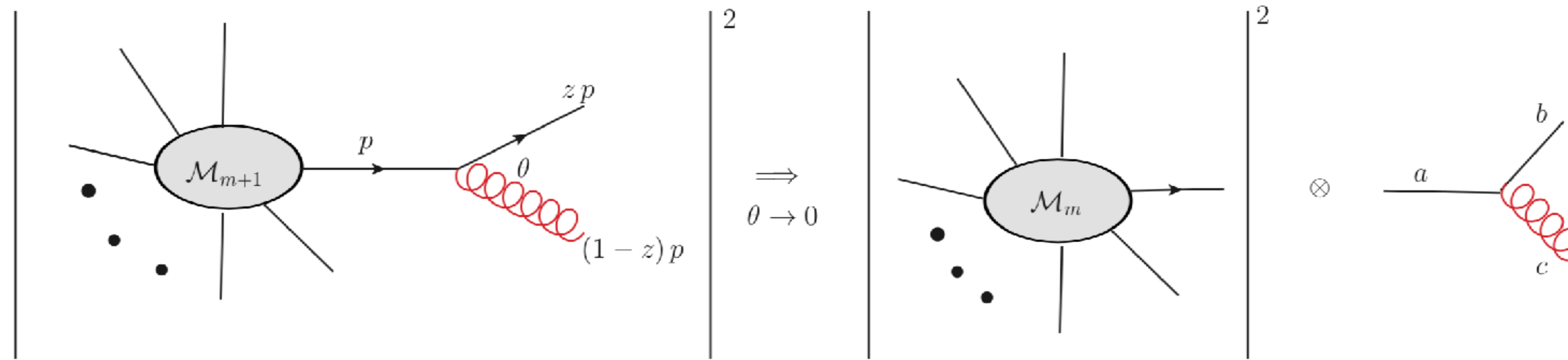
collinear limit in this parametrisation: $k_\perp \rightarrow 0$

$$|\mathcal{M}_1(p_1, k, p_2)|^2 \xrightarrow{\text{coll}} g^2 \frac{1}{p_1 \cdot k} P_{qq}(z) |\mathcal{M}_0(p_1 + k, p_2)|^2$$

$P_{qq}(z)$: splitting functions

Collinear singularities

factorisation property of squared amplitudes in the collinear limit:



$$|\mathcal{M}_{m+1}|^2 d\Phi_{m+1} \rightarrow |\mathcal{M}_m|^2 d\Phi_m \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \frac{dk_{\perp}^2}{k_{\perp}^2} \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} dz P_{a \rightarrow bc}(z)$$

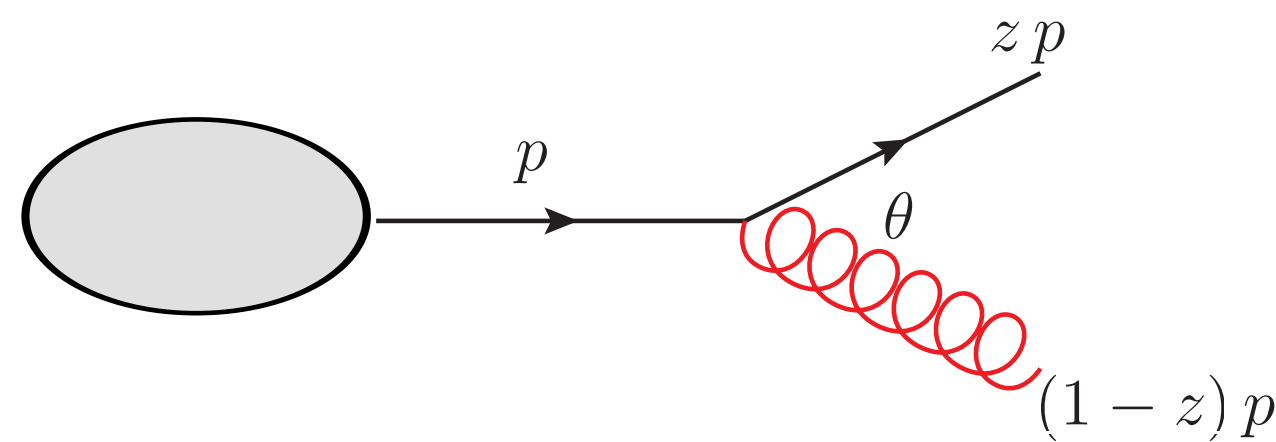
note that the phase space also can be factorised in this limit: $d\Phi_{m+1} \rightarrow d\Phi_m \otimes d\Phi_k$

this factorisation does not depend on the details of \mathcal{M}_m

splitting functions

Dokshitzer, Gribov, Lipatov, Altarelli, Parisi

factorisation is universal, only depends on the types of splitting partons



$$P_{qq}(z) \equiv P_{q \rightarrow qg}(z) = C_F \frac{1+z^2}{1-z}$$

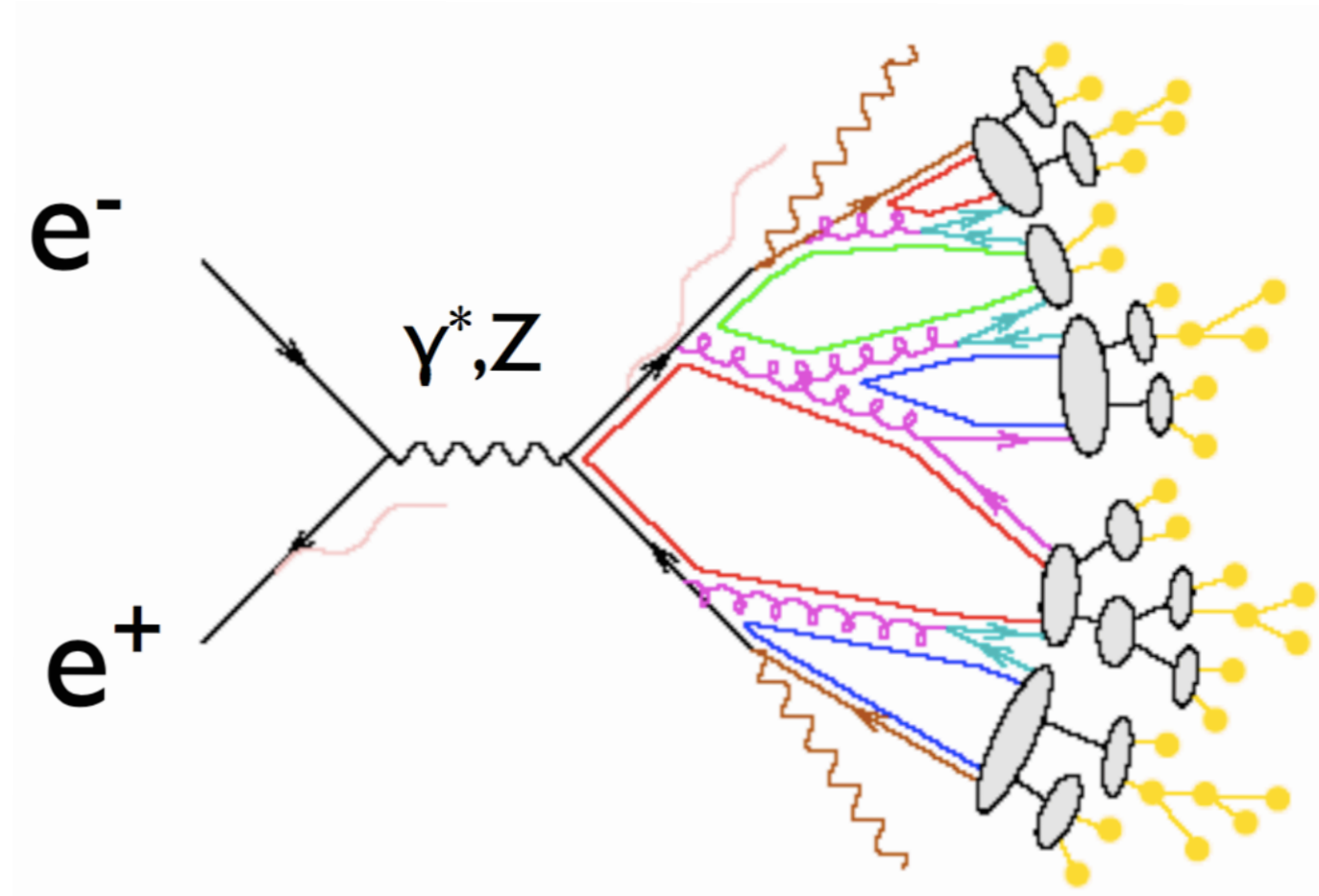
other types:

$$P_{q \rightarrow gq}(z) = C_F \frac{1+(1-z)^2}{z}$$

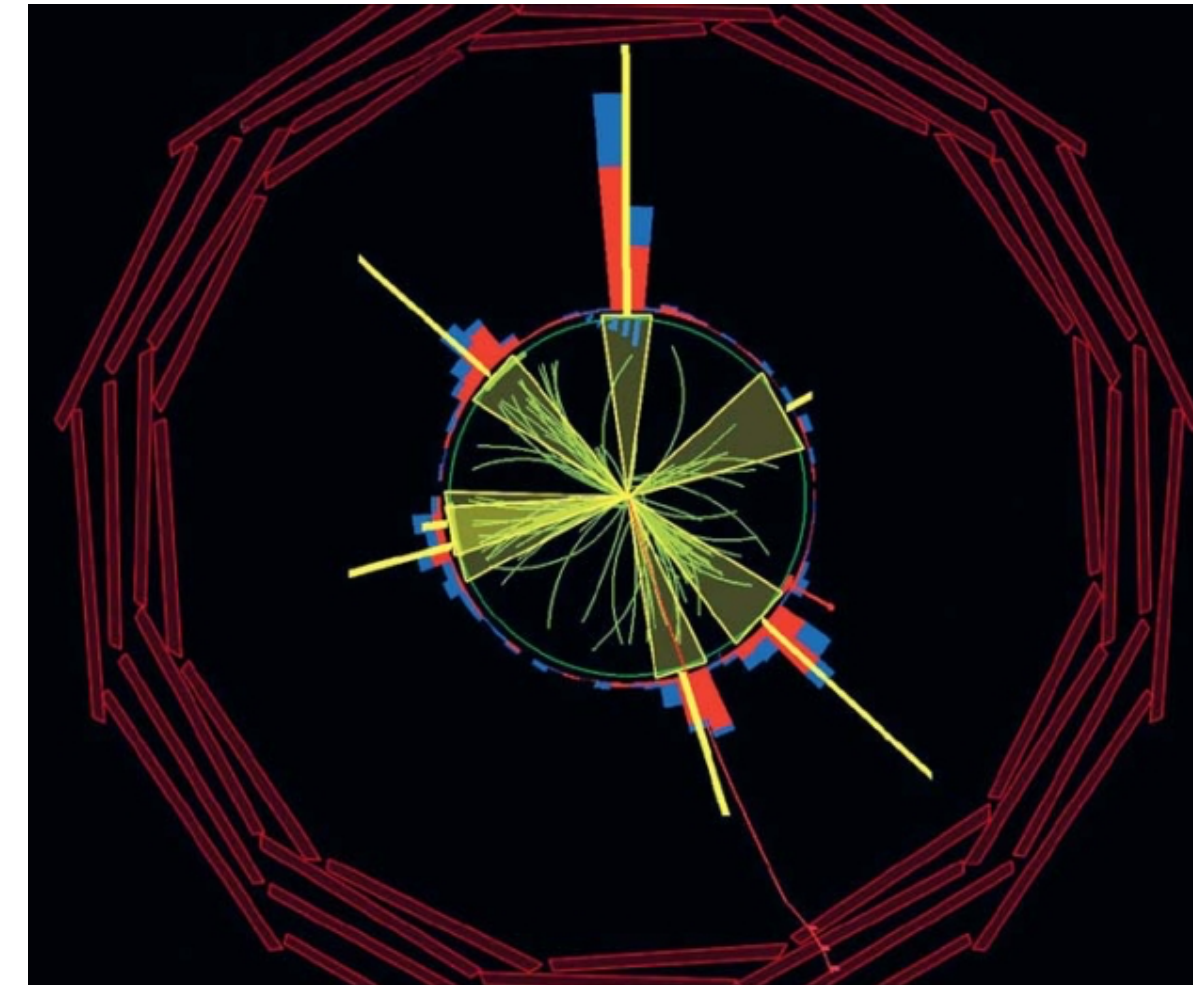
$$P_{g \rightarrow q\bar{q}}(z) = T_R (z^2 + (1-z)^2)$$

$$P_{g \rightarrow gg}(z) = C_A \left(z(1-z) + \frac{z}{1-z} + \frac{1-z}{z} \right)$$

Jets



[Figure: Fabio Maltoni]



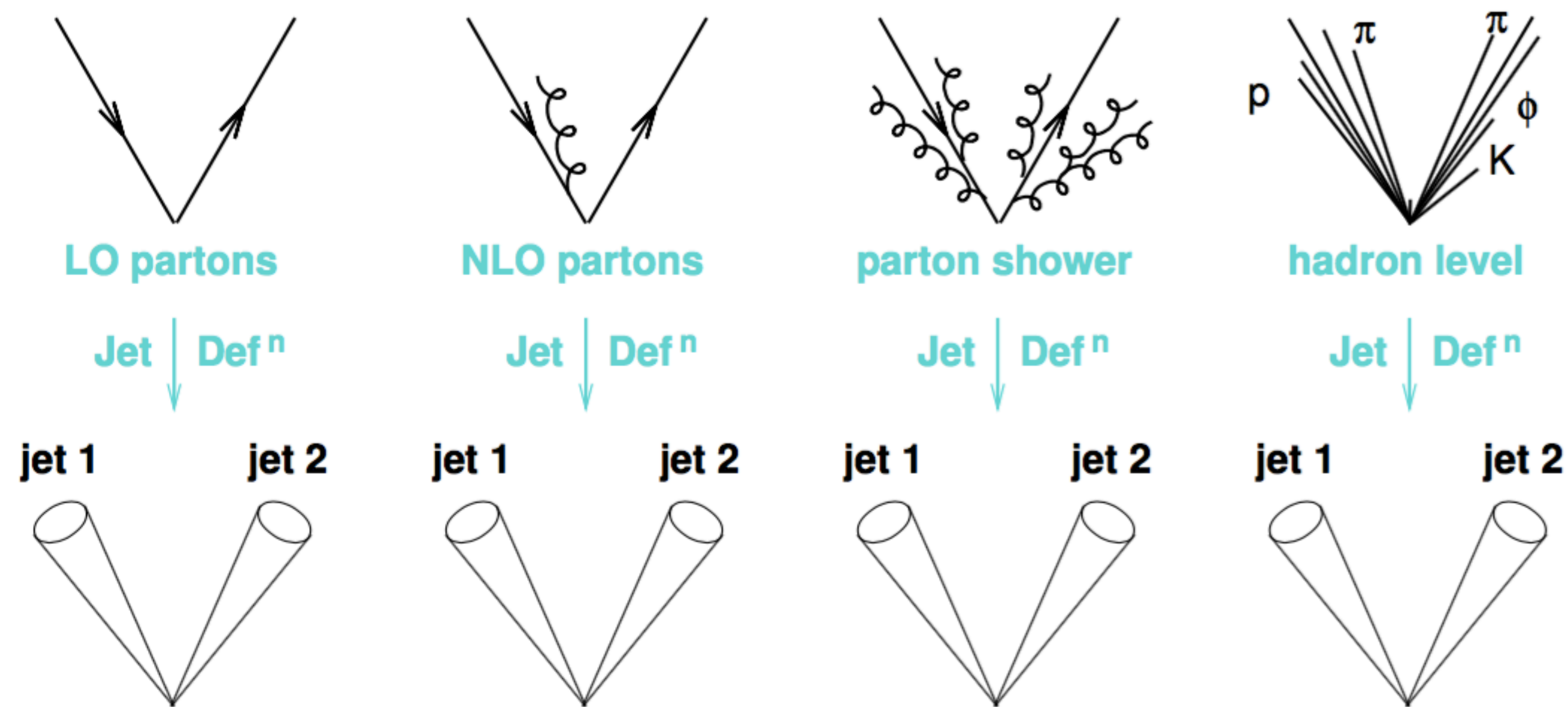
[6-jet event, Figure: CMS]

important: **infrared safe** jet algorithm

soft or collinear radiation should not yield different jet identification

Jets

considering also a parton shower and hadronisation:



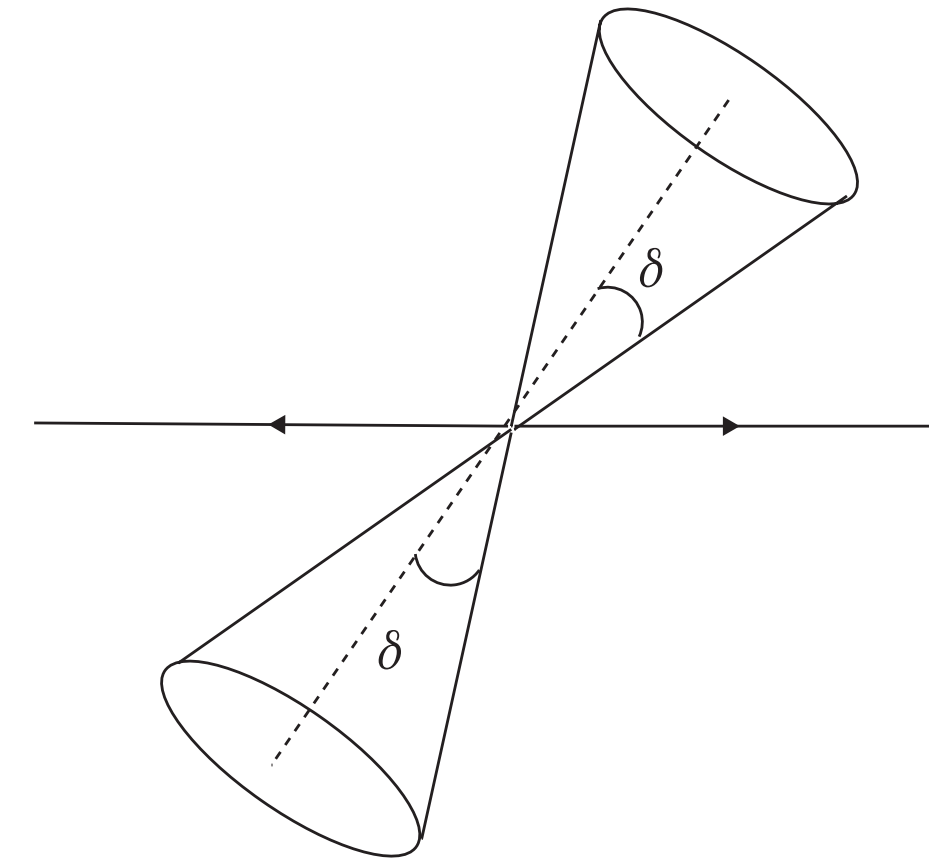
[Figure: Gavin Salam]

- *jet substructure* is taken into account in modern jet analysis
- jet algorithms based on machine learning are increasingly successful

Jets

Sterman and Weinberg 1977:

final state is *two-jet-like* if all but a fraction ε of the total available energy E is contained in two cones of opening angle δ



2-jet cross section:

depends on jet definition, i.e. ε and δ

$$\sigma^{2jet} \sim \sigma_0 \left(1 - 4 C_F \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \left[\ln(2\varepsilon) \ln \delta + \frac{3}{4} \ln \delta + \text{finite} \right] \right)$$

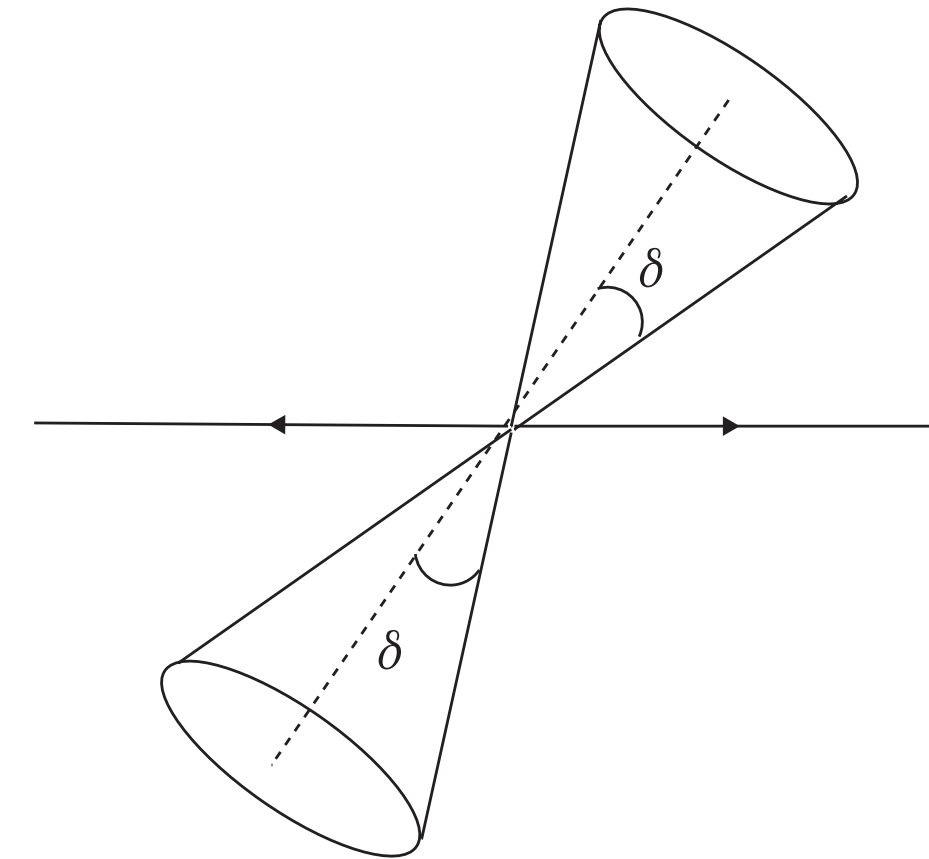
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historically 1st,
but not useful for
multi-jet events

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Jet algorithms

typically iterative clustering algorithms:

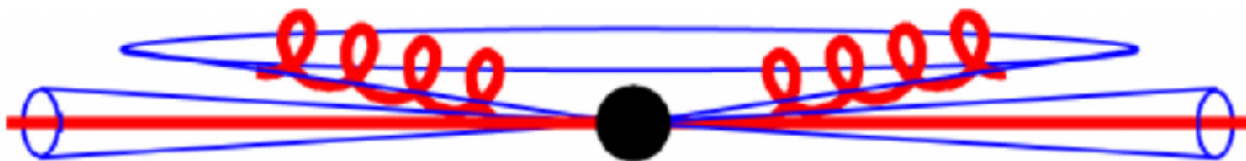
1. start from n particles, for all pairs i and j calculate $(p_i + p_j)^2$
2. define a **jet resolution parameter** y_{cut} , Q is max. available energy
if $\min(p_i + p_j)^2 < y_{\text{cut}} Q^2$ then define a new pseudo-particle
 $p_J = p_i + p_j$, this decreases $n \rightarrow n - 1$
3. if $n=1$: stop, else repeat step 2.

with this algorithm
$$\sigma^{2jet} = \sigma_0 \left(1 - C_F \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \left[\ln^2 y_{\text{cut}} + \frac{3}{2} \ln y_{\text{cut}} + \text{finite} \right] \right)$$

Jet algorithms

- in above jet algorithm example (JADE-algorithm):

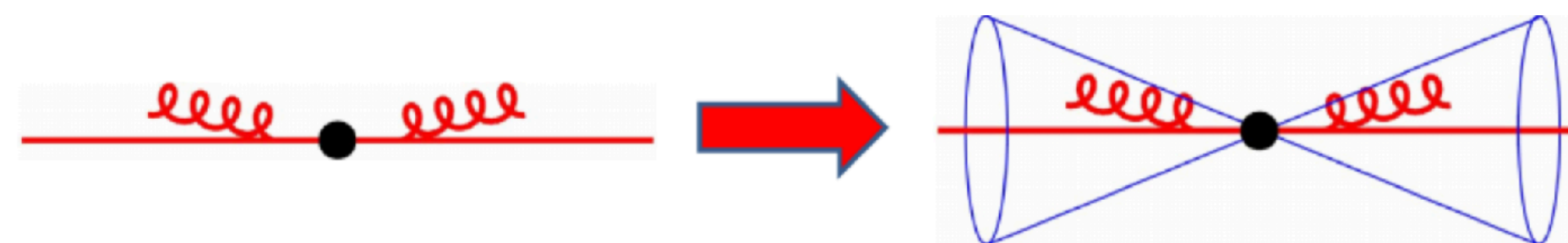
cluster into one pseudo-particle if
$$y_{ij, \text{Jade}} = \frac{\min(p_i + p_j)^2}{Q^2} < y_{\text{cut}}$$

can lead to situations like 

soft/collinear radiation should not change number of jets

- examples of better algorithms: (differ by distance measure)

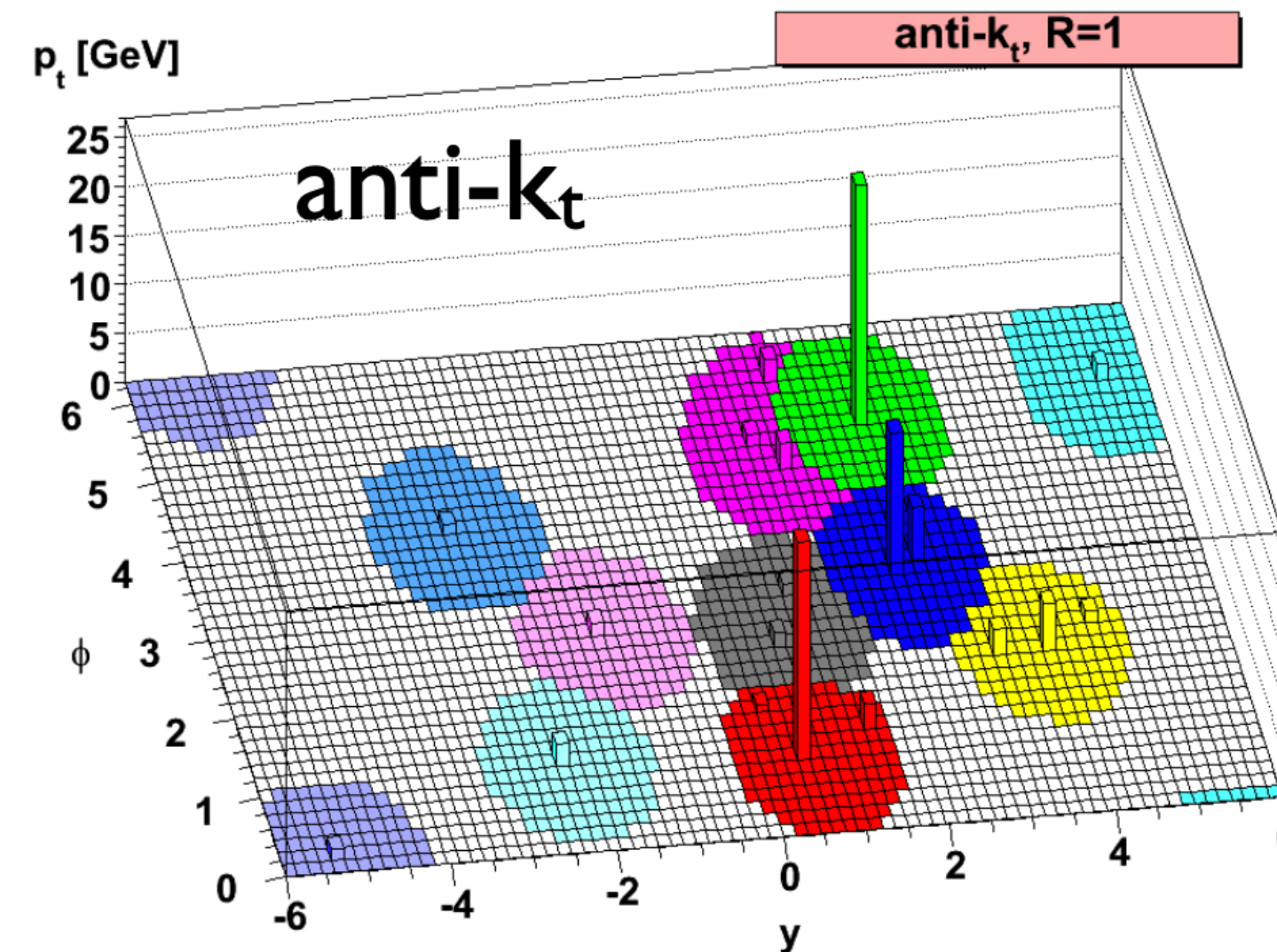
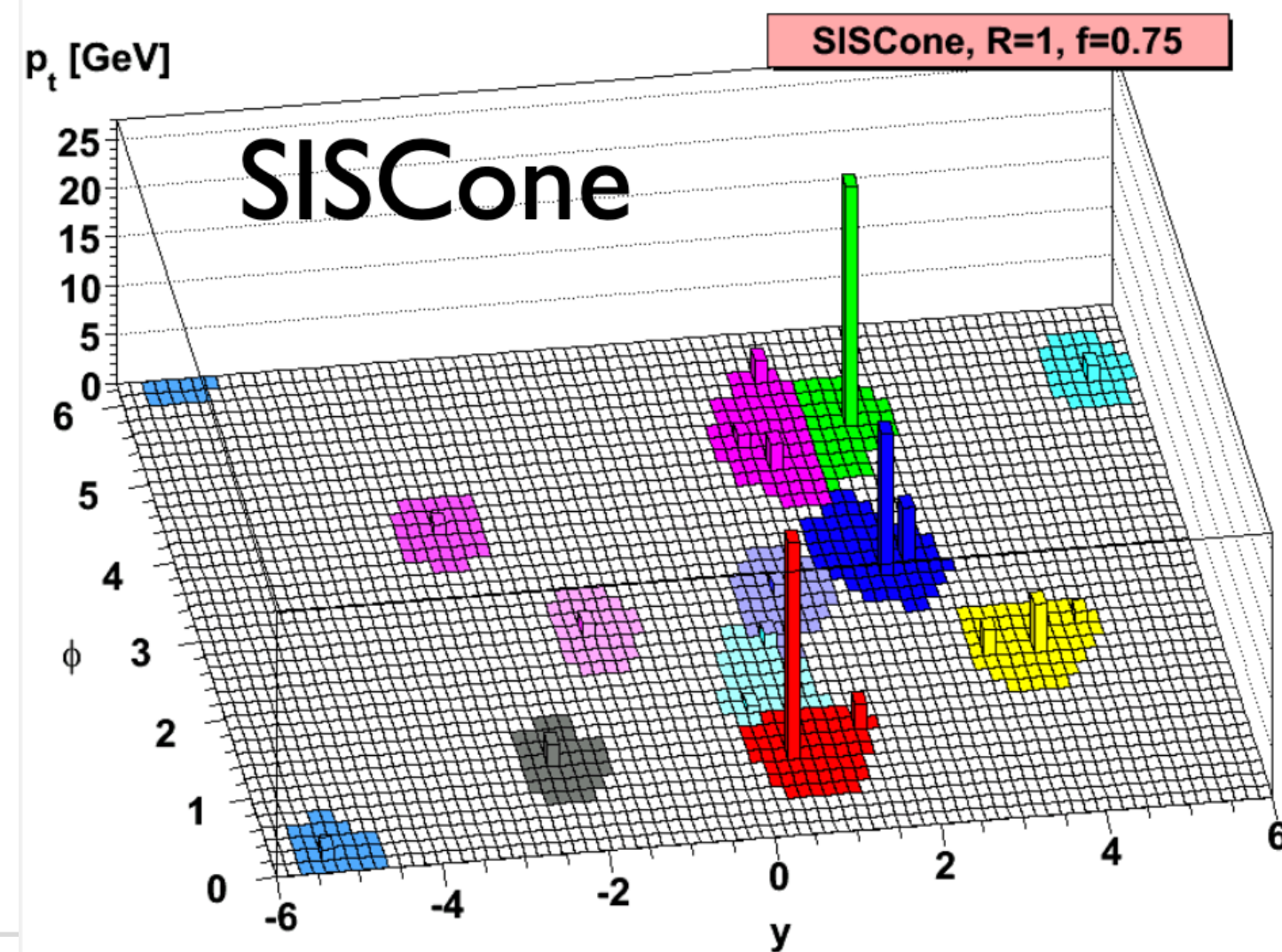
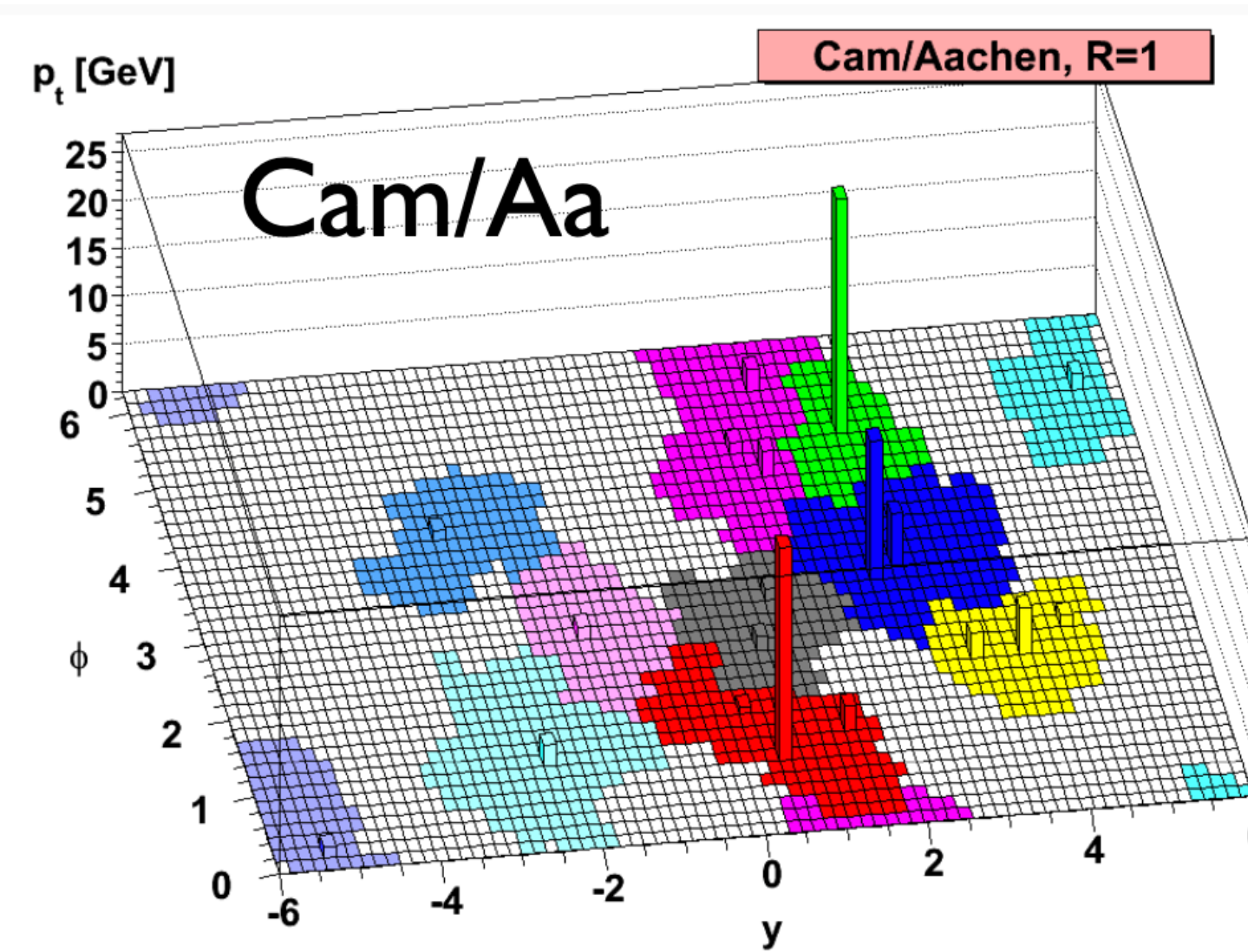
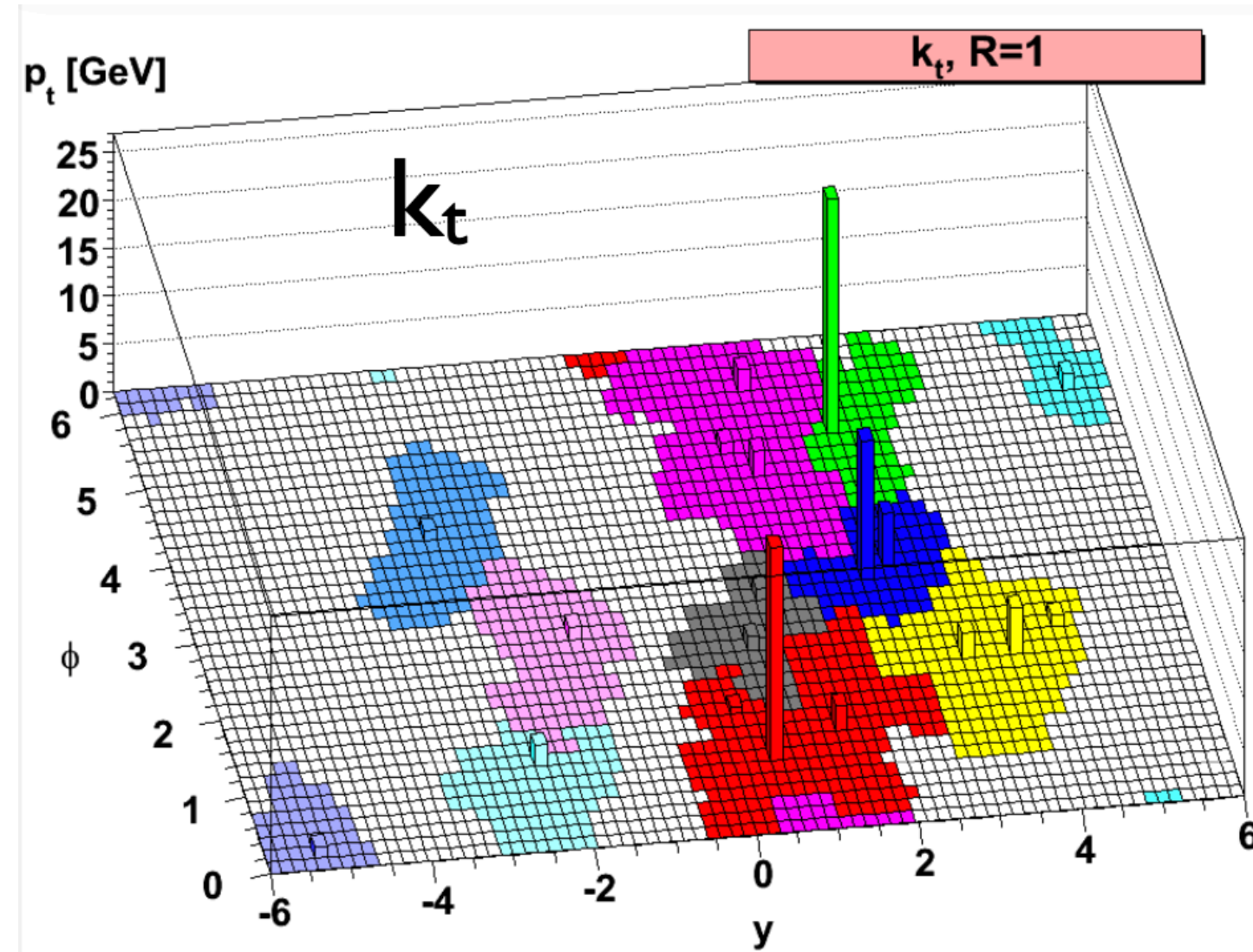
- Durham-kT**: cluster if
$$y_{ij, D} = \frac{2 \min(E_i^2, E_j^2)(1 - \cos \theta_{ij})}{Q^2} < y_{\text{cut}}$$



- anti-kT**: cluster if
$$y_{ij, a} = \frac{1}{8} Q^2 \min \left(\frac{1}{E_i^2}, \frac{1}{E_j^2} \right) (1 - \cos \theta_{ij}) < y_{\text{cut}}$$

Jet algorithms

[Figure: Cacciari, Salam, Soyez]



distance measure including jet radius:

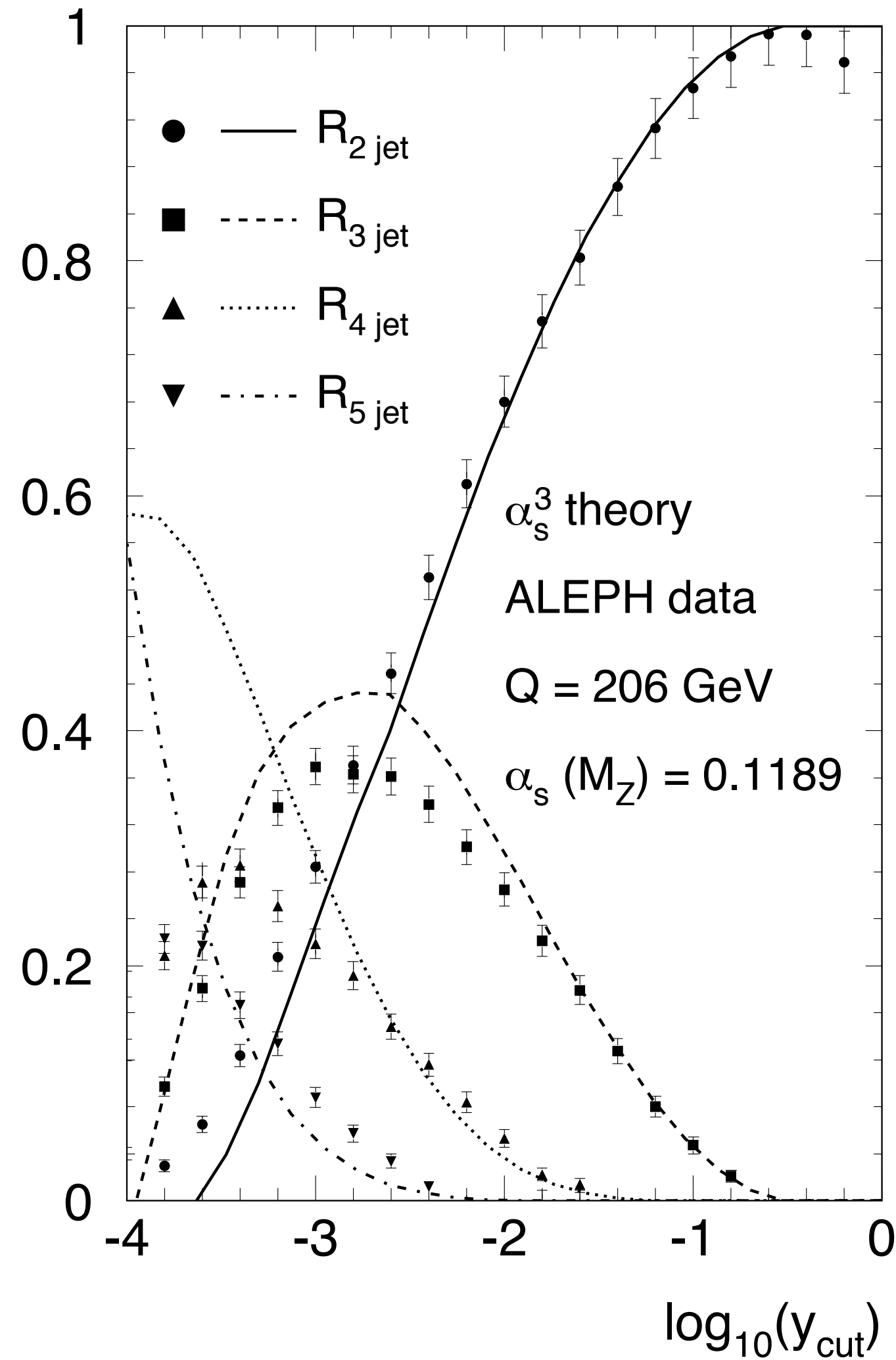
$$d_{ij} = \min(p_{ti}^{2p}, p_{tj}^{2p}) \frac{\Delta y^2 + \Delta \phi^2}{R^2}$$

$p = 1$ k_t

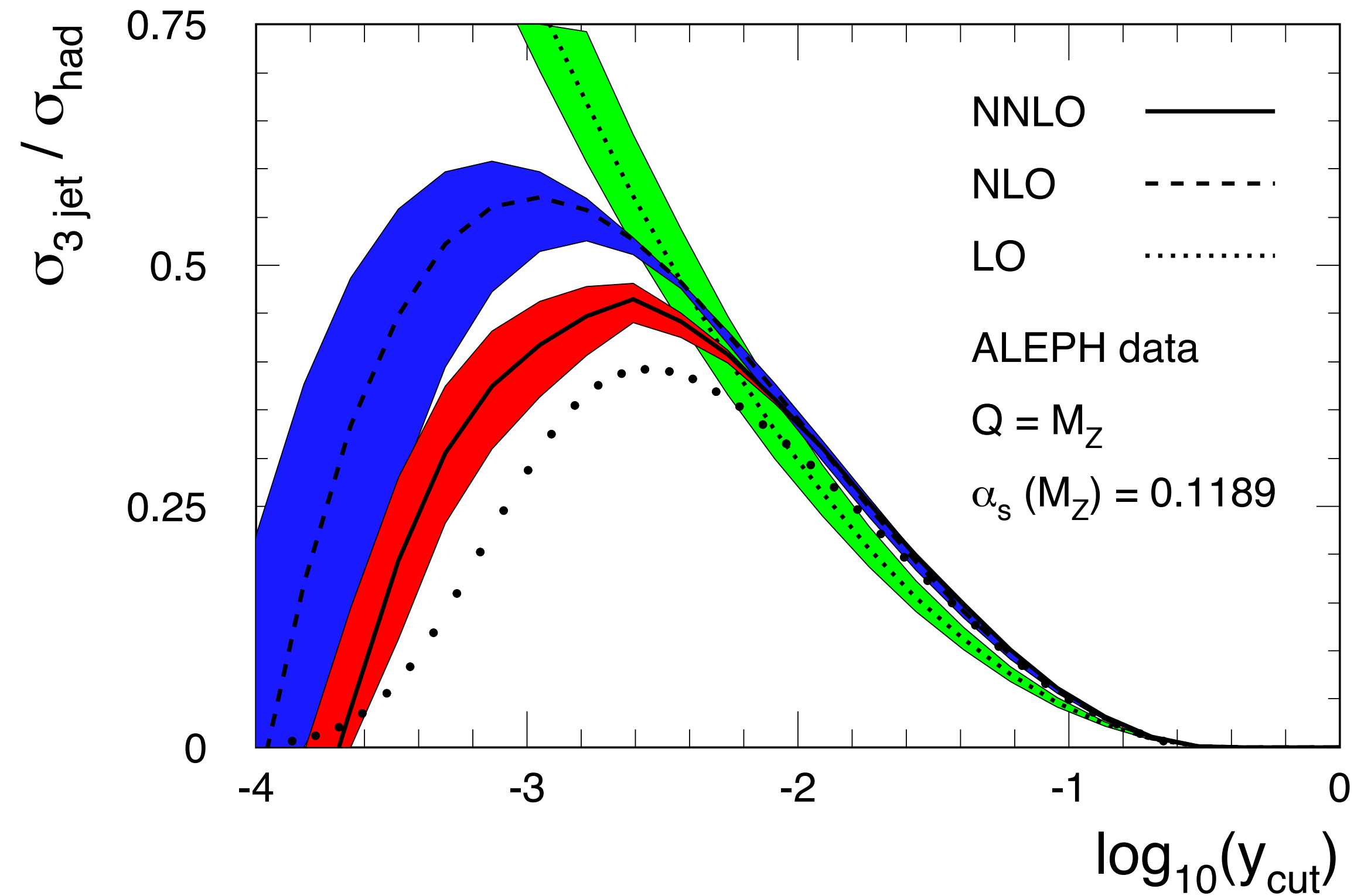
$p = 0$ Cam/Aa

$p = -1$ anti- k_t

Jet rates



dependence of jet rates on ycut



3-jet rate at different orders

[Gehrmann-De Ridder,
Gehrmann, GH, Glover]

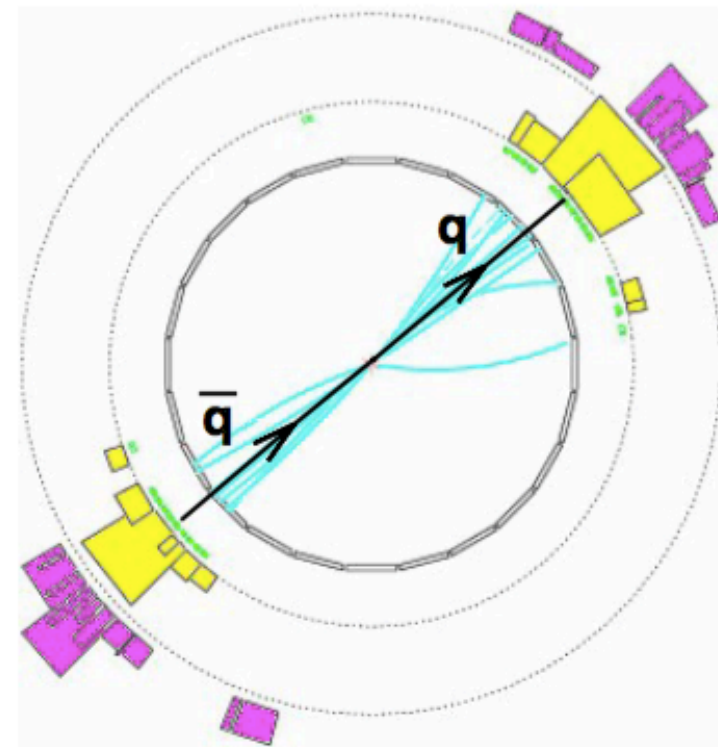
Event shape observables

- observables which describe the topology of the final state
- particularly useful in e^+e^- collisions (Q^2 fixed)
- do not depend on jet algorithm/jet measurement
- examples:
thrust, C-parameter, jet broadening, heavy hemisphere mass, ...

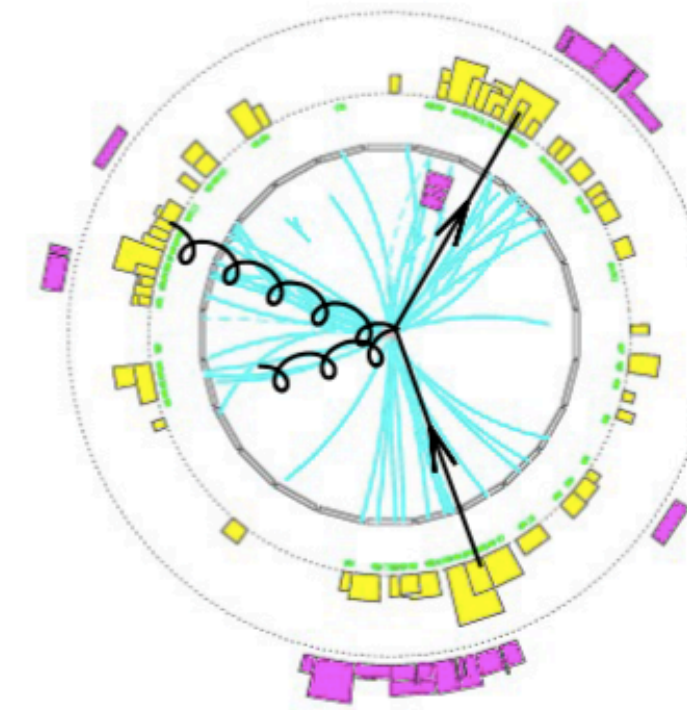
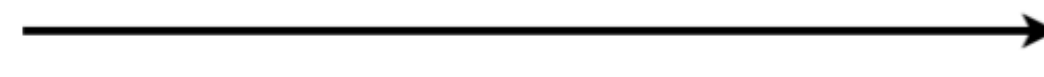
for definitions see e.g. [arXiv:0711.4711](https://arxiv.org/abs/0711.4711)

thrust describes how “pencil-like” (2-jet-like) an event is

Thrust



pencil-like
 $T \rightarrow 1$

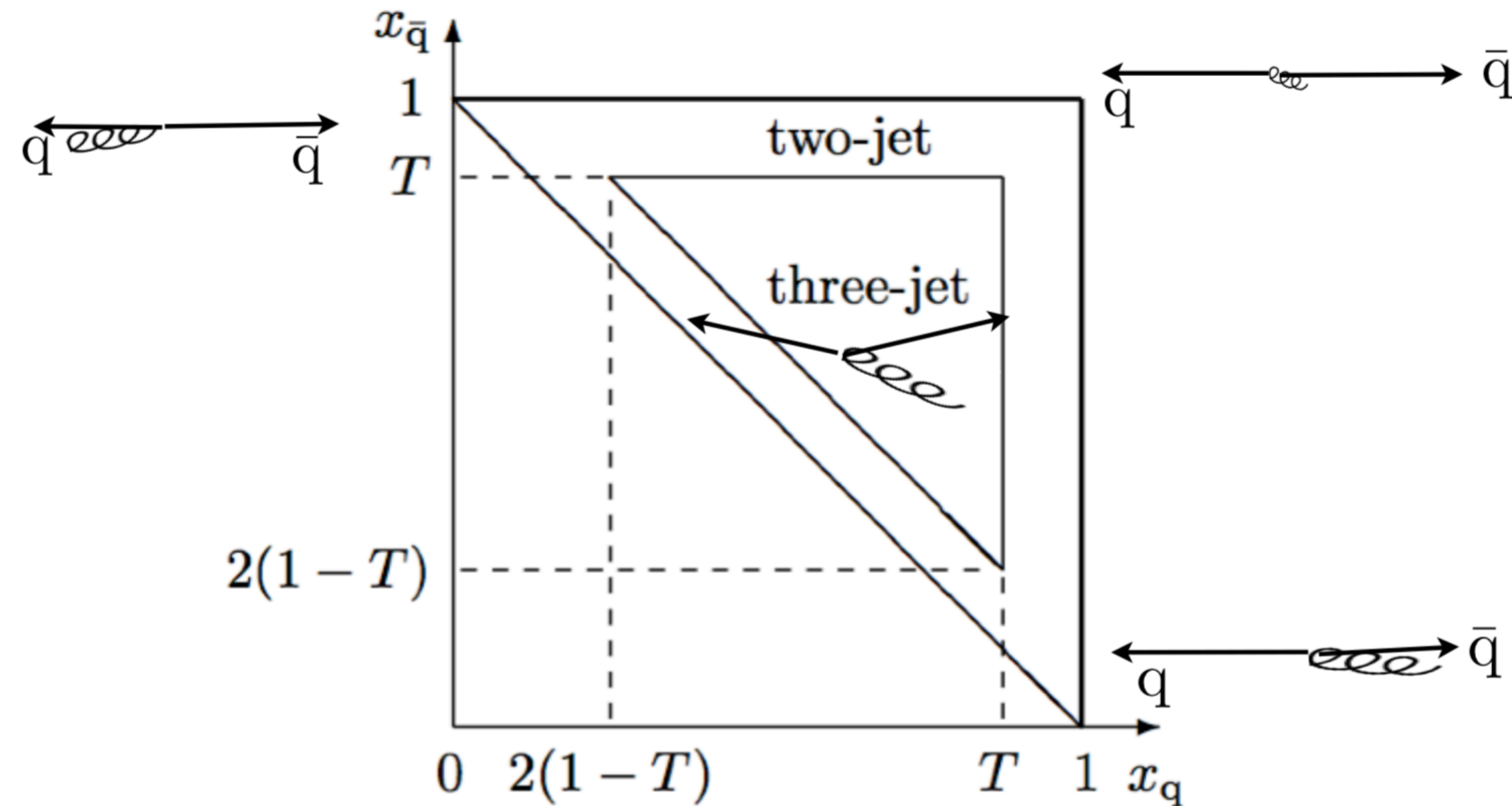


spherical
 $T \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}$

$$T = \max_{\vec{n}} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m |\vec{p}_i \cdot \vec{n}|}{\sum_{i=1}^m |\vec{p}_i|}$$

\vec{n} : thrust axis along which T is maximal

Thrust



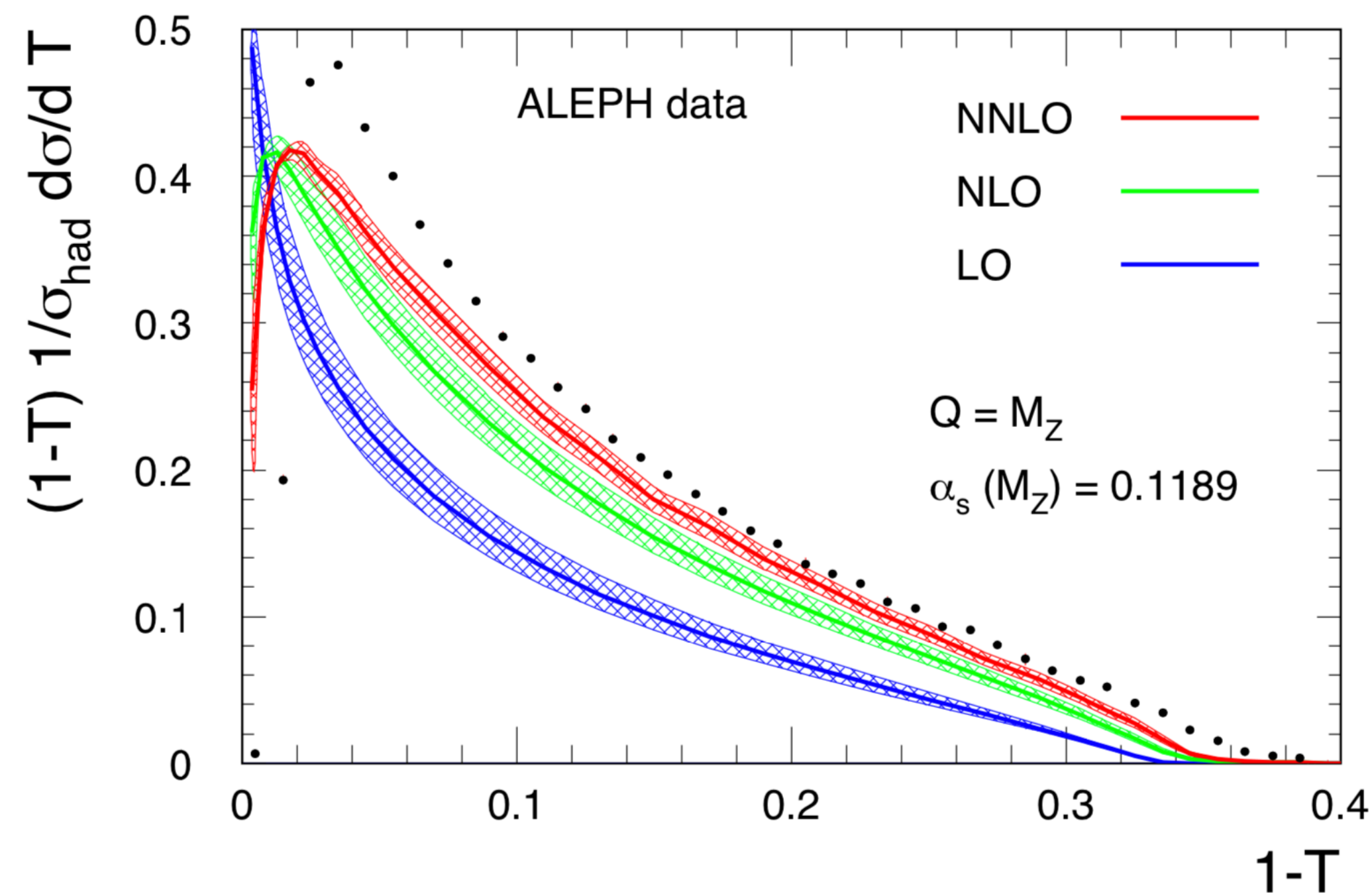
$$\begin{aligned}
 |\overline{\mathcal{M}}_1|^2 &= |\overline{\mathcal{M}}_0|^2 \frac{2g^2 C_F}{s} \left(\frac{s_{13}}{s_{23}} + \frac{s_{23}}{s_{13}} + 2s \frac{s_{12}}{s_{13}s_{23}} \right) \\
 &= |\overline{\mathcal{M}}_0|^2 \frac{2g^2 C_F}{s} \left(\frac{x_1^2 + x_2^2}{(1-x_1)(1-x_2)} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_1 \equiv x_q &= \frac{2E_1}{\sqrt{s}} \\
 x_2 \equiv x_{\bar{q}} &= \frac{2E_2}{\sqrt{s}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Thrust

at LO: (with 3 partons)

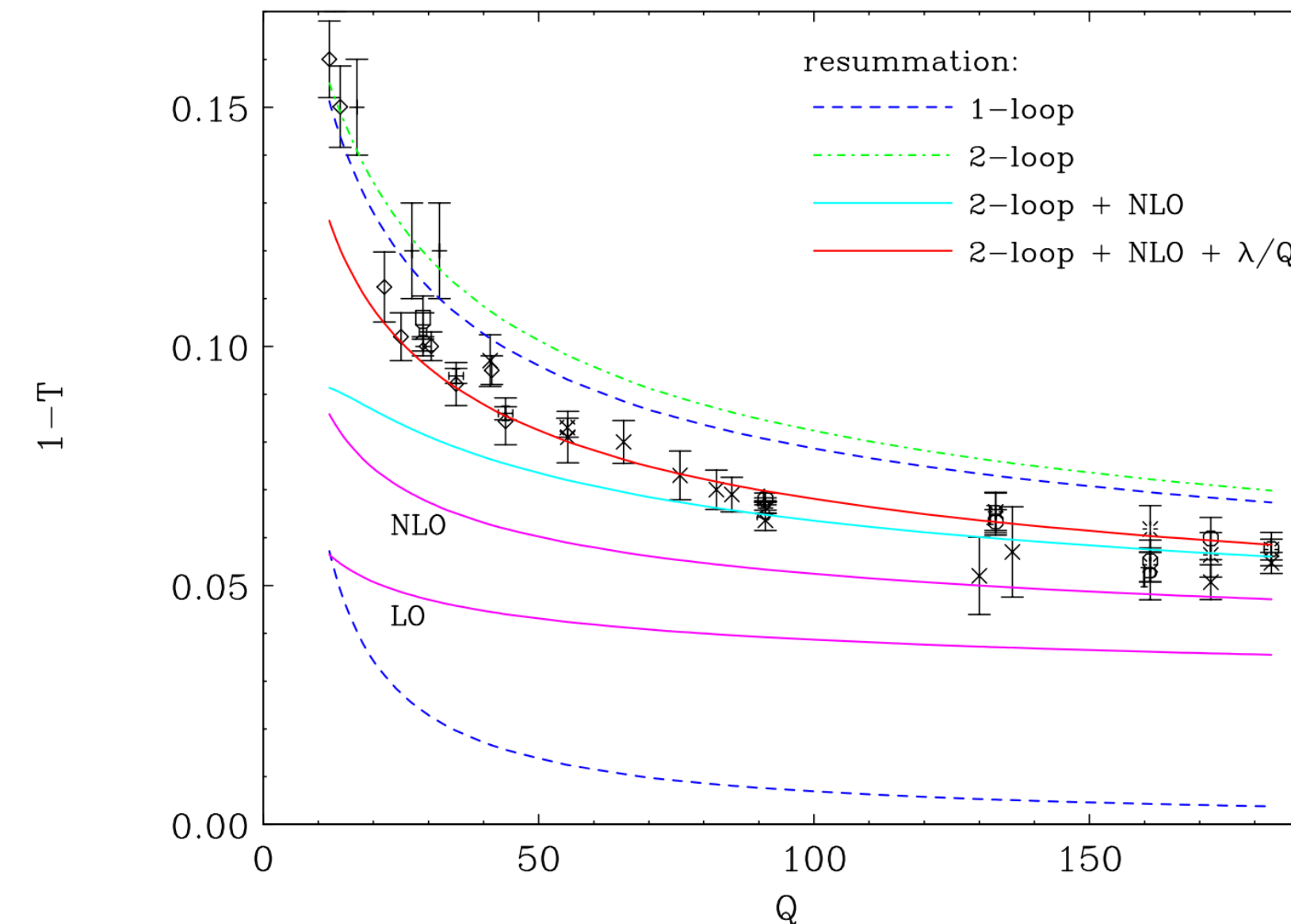
$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{dT} = C_F \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \left[\frac{2(3T^2 - 3T + 2)}{T(1-T)} \ln \left(\frac{2T-1}{1-T} \right) - 3(3T-2) \frac{2-T}{1-T} \right] \text{ divergent for } T \rightarrow 1$$



arXiv:0711.4711

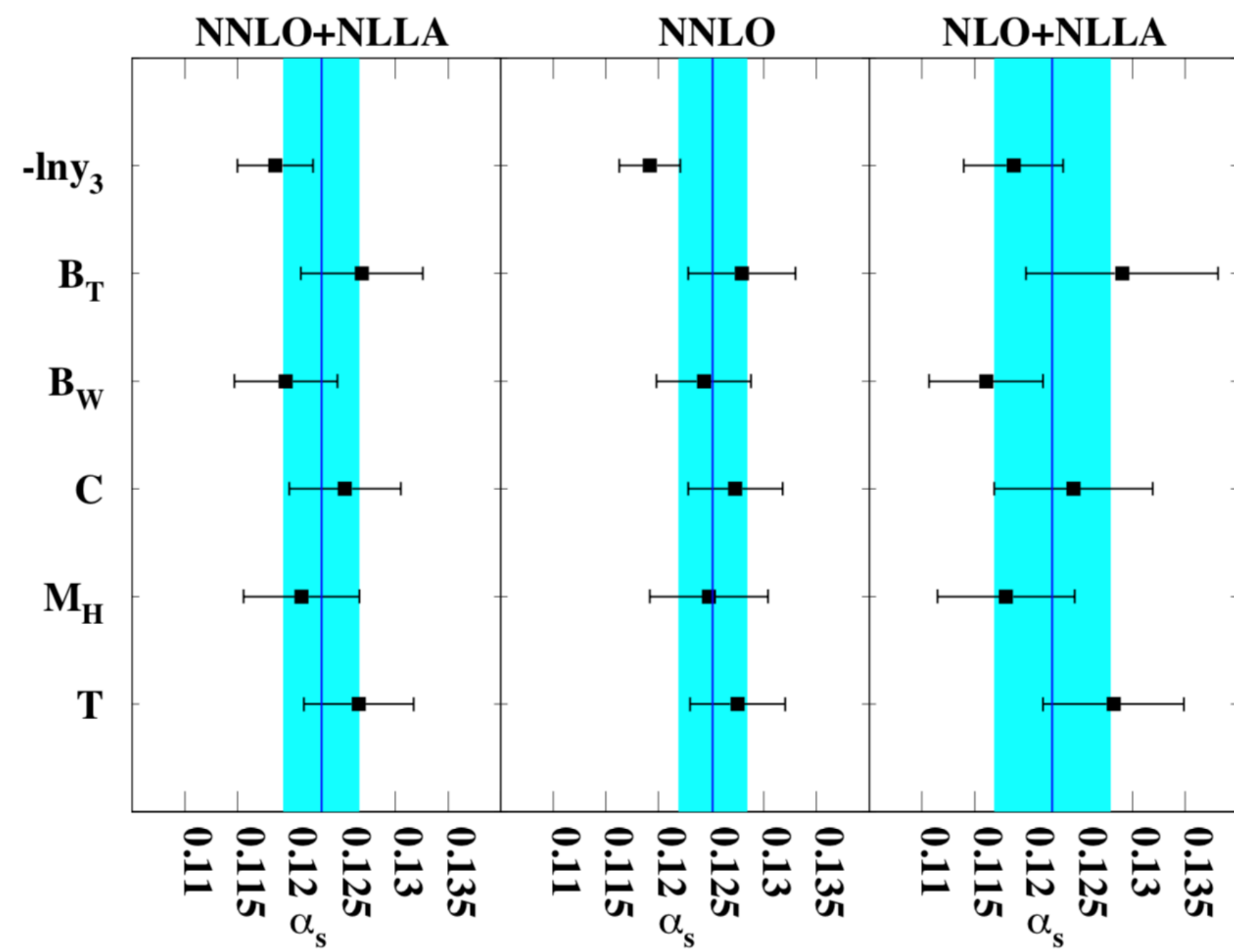
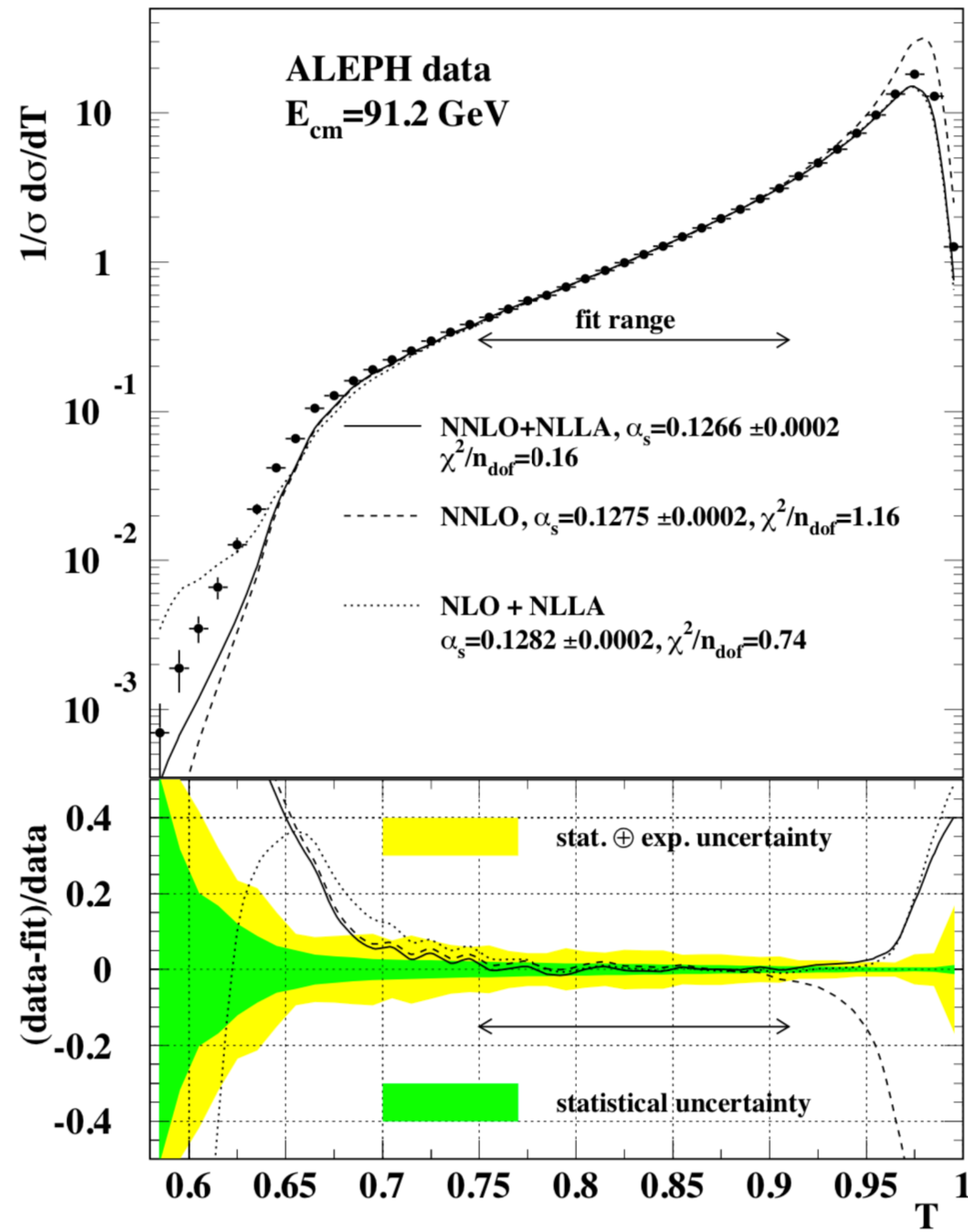
requires resummation of large logarithms of type

$$\alpha_s^n \frac{1}{1-T} \ln^{2n-1} \left(\frac{1}{1-T} \right)$$



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strong coupling from event shapes



arXiv:0910.4283

— NLLA: “next-to-leading-log approximation”
 (introduces additional scale dependence which is absent at fixed order NNLO)

Parton distribution functions

consider processes with one proton in initial state: DIS (*deeply inelastic scattering*)

$$e(k) + p(P) \rightarrow e(k') + X$$

kinematic variables:

$$s = (P + k)^2 \text{ [cms energy]}^2$$

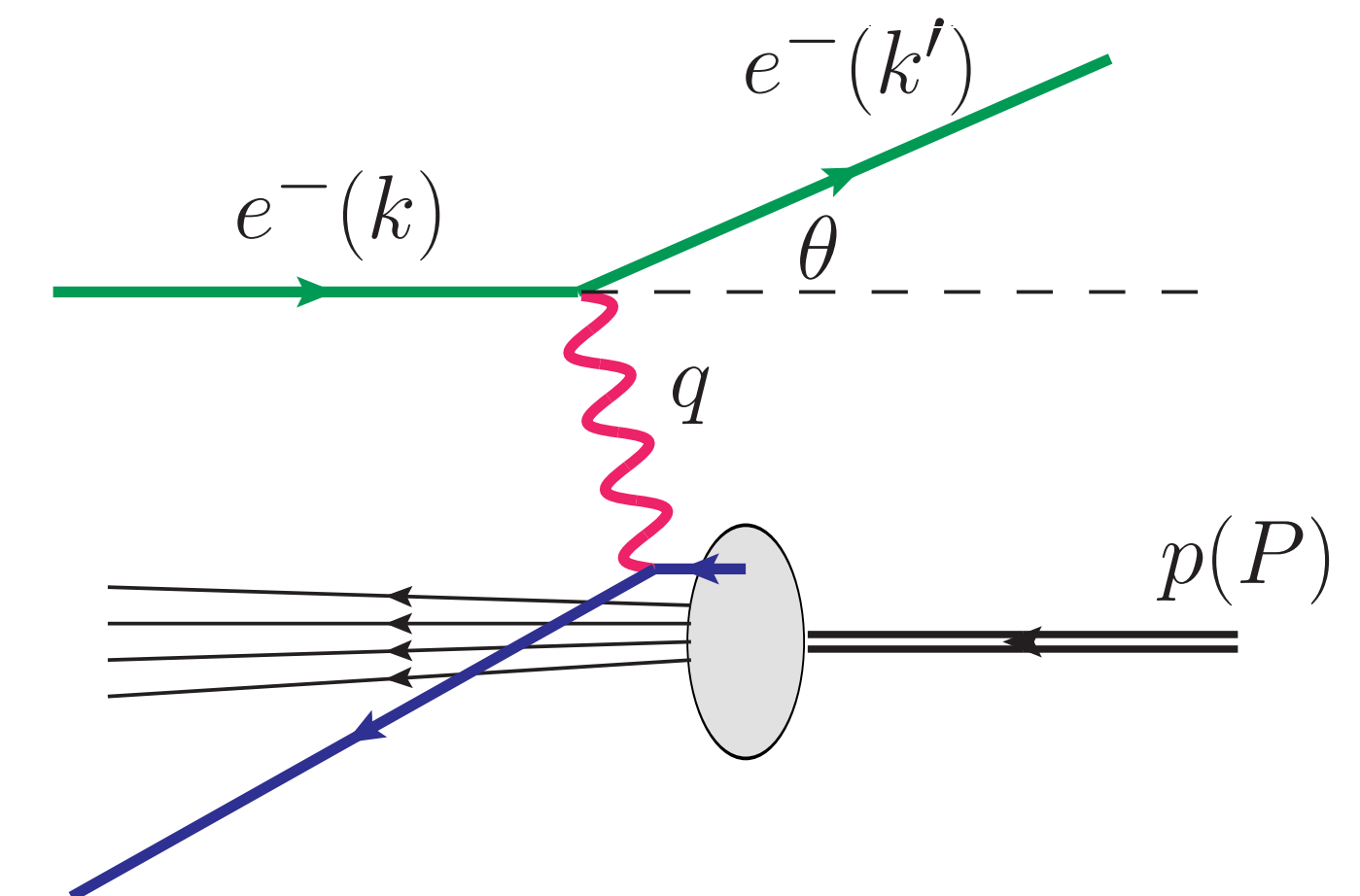
$$q^\mu = k^\mu - k'^\mu \text{ [momentum transfer]}$$

$$Q^2 = -q^2 = 2MExy$$

$$x = \frac{Q^2}{2P \cdot q} \text{ [scaling variable]}$$

$$\nu = \frac{P \cdot q}{M} = E - E' \text{ [energy loss]}$$

$$y = \frac{P \cdot q}{P \cdot k} = 1 - \frac{E'}{E} \text{ [relative energy loss]}$$



$$Q^2 = -q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$$

DIS cross section

cross section
$$d\sigma = \sum_X \frac{1}{4ME} \int d\Phi \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\text{spins}} |\mathcal{M}|^2$$

split into leptonic and hadronic part

$$d\Phi = \frac{d^3 k'}{(2\pi)^3 2E'} d\Phi_X, \quad \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\text{spins}} |\mathcal{M}|^2 = \frac{e^4}{Q^4} \underbrace{L^{\mu\nu}}_{\text{leptonic}} \underbrace{H_{\mu\nu}}_{\text{hadronic}}$$

define
$$W_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{8\pi} \sum_X \int d\Phi_X H_{\mu\nu}$$
 $W_{\mu\nu}$ can only depend on P^μ, q^μ

Ansatz:
$$W_{\mu\nu}(P, q) = \left(-g_{\mu\nu} + \frac{q_\mu q_\nu}{q^2} \right) W_1(x, Q^2) + \left(P_\mu - q_\mu \frac{P \cdot q}{q^2} \right) \left(P_\nu - q_\nu \frac{P \cdot q}{q^2} \right) \frac{W_2(x, Q^2)}{P \cdot q}$$

DIS structure functions

leads to
$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{dx dy} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{y Q^2} \left[y^2 W_1(x, Q^2) + \left(\frac{1-y}{x} - xy \frac{M^2}{Q^2} \right) W_2(x, Q^2) \right]$$

$W_i(x, Q^2)$ dimensionless functions of scaling variable x and momentum transfer

scaling limit: $Q^2 \rightarrow \infty$, x fixed

then $M^2/Q^2 \rightarrow 0$, rename $W_1 \rightarrow -F_1$, $W_2 \rightarrow F_2$

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{dx dy} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{y Q^2} \left[(1 + (1-y)^2) F_1 + \frac{1-y}{x} (F_2 - 2xF_1) \right]$$

F_1, F_2 : **structure functions**

DIS structure functions

in the scaling limit:

$$F_2(x, Q^2) \rightarrow F_2(x) \text{ independent of } Q^2$$

$$F_2(x) = 2x F_1(x) \quad \text{Callan-Gross relation}$$

characteristic for scattering at point-like spin-1/2 particles

observation: scaling violations at small x

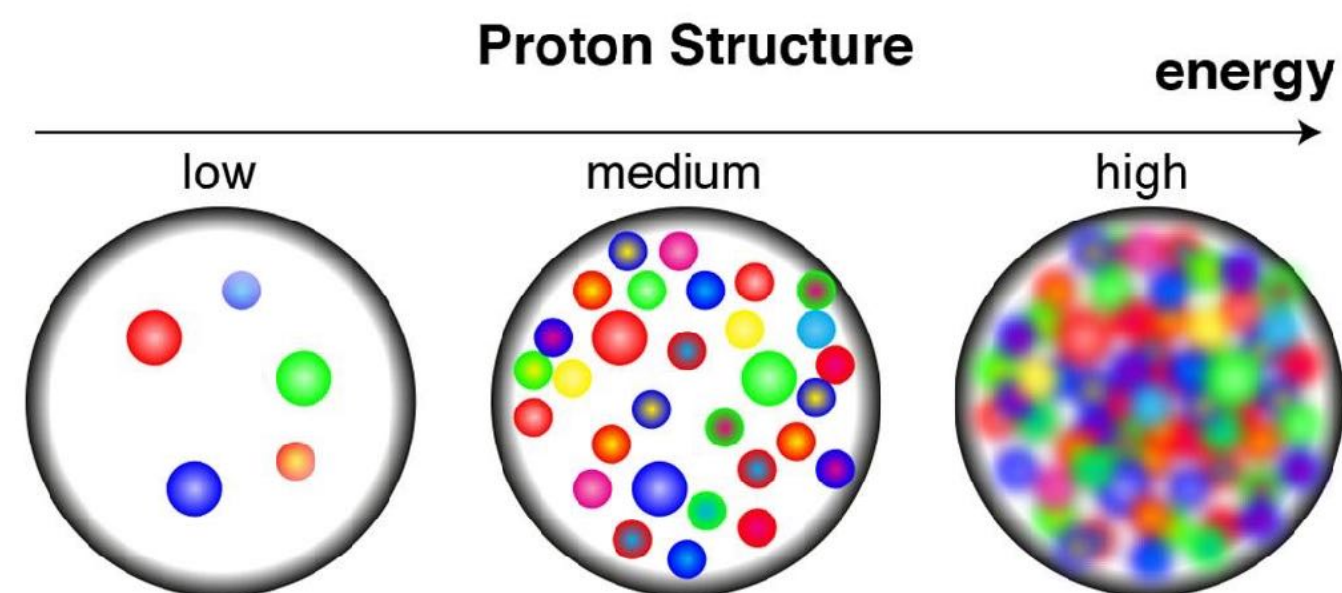
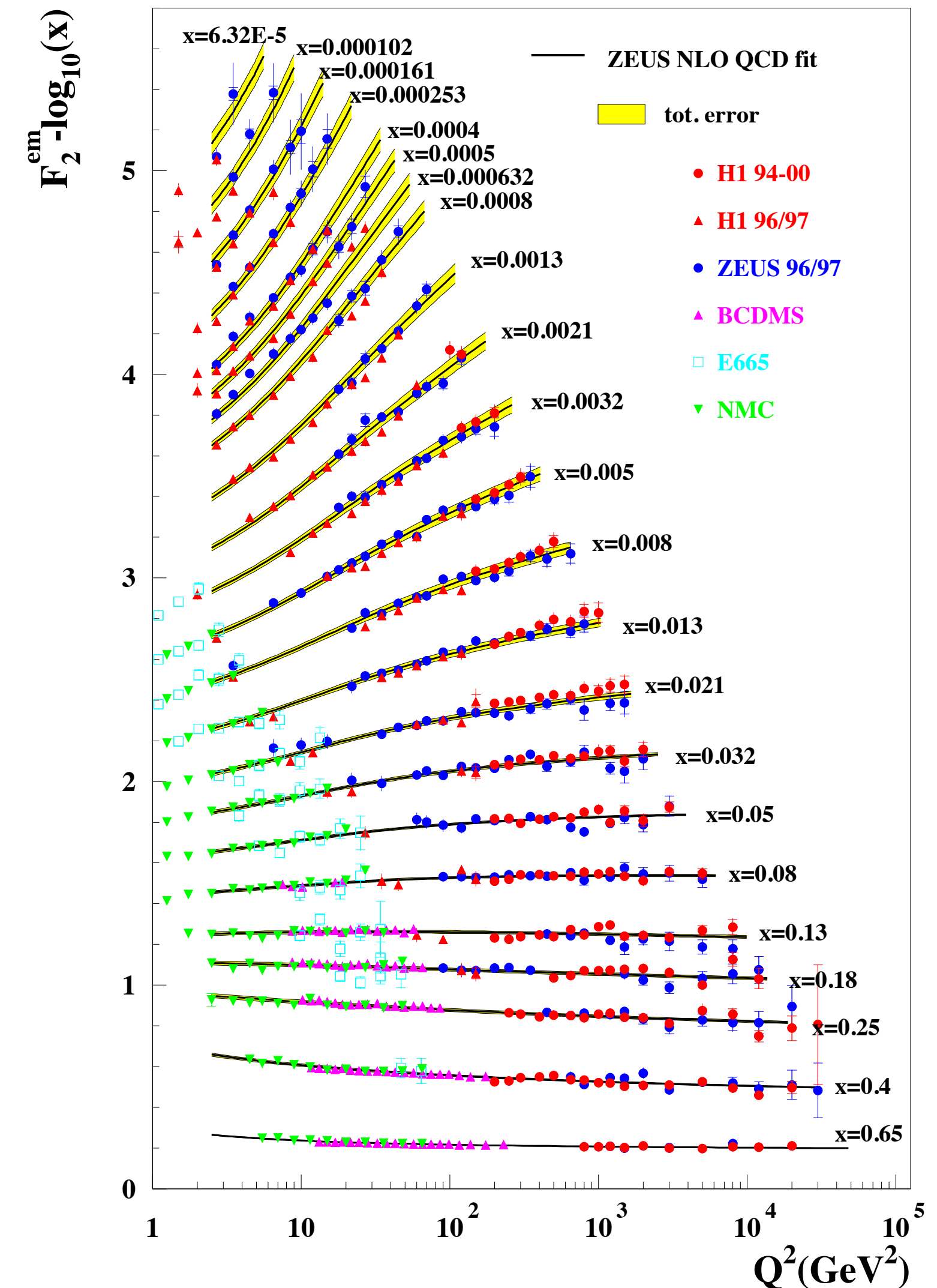


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proton structure in the parton model

parton model picture: photon scatters off one quark

quark carries momentum fraction ξ of proton momentum, $p^\mu = \xi P^\mu$

$$e(k) + q_f(p) \rightarrow e(k') + q_f(p')$$

for elastic photon-quark scattering:

$$p^2 = p'^2 = (p + q)^2 = p^2 + 2\xi P \cdot q - Q^2$$

$$\Rightarrow Q^2 = 2\xi P \cdot q \quad \Rightarrow \xi = \frac{Q^2}{2P \cdot q} = x$$

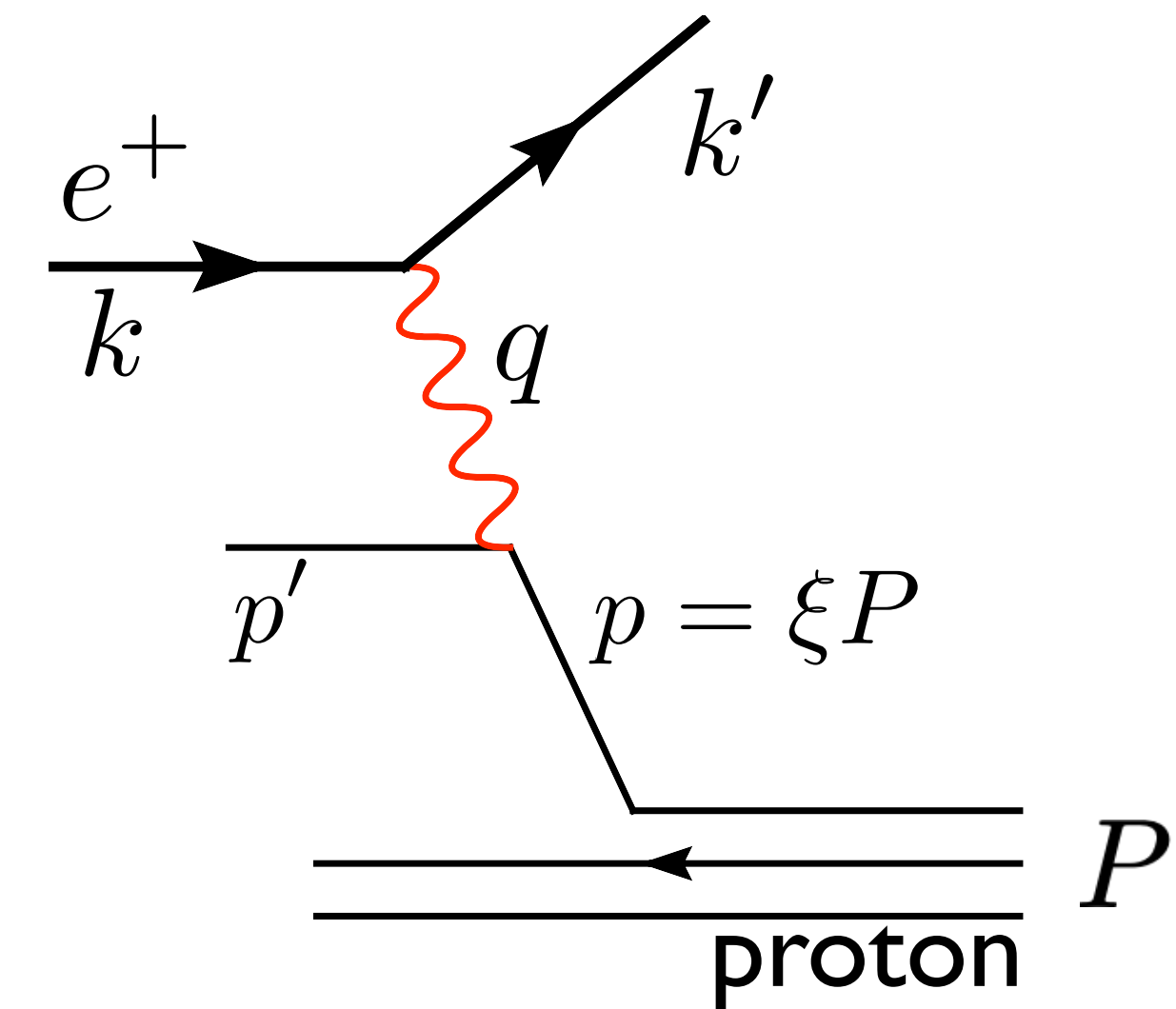
partonic cross section:

$$\hat{\sigma} = \frac{1}{2\hat{s}} \int d\Phi_2 \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\text{spins}} |\mathcal{M}|^2$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \sum_{\text{spins}} |\mathcal{M}|^2 = \frac{e_q^2 e^4}{Q^4} L^{\mu\nu} Q_{\mu\nu}$$

$$\hat{s} = (p + k)^2$$

$$Q^2 = -q^2$$



proton structure in the parton model

$$Q_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}[\not{p}\gamma^\mu \not{p}'\gamma^\nu] = p^\mu p'^\nu + p^\nu p'^\mu - g^{\mu\nu} p \cdot p'$$

$$\Rightarrow L^{\mu\nu} Q_{\mu\nu} = 2(\hat{s}^2 + \hat{u}^2) \quad \hat{u} = (p - k')^2 = -2p \cdot k' \quad \hat{s} = (p + k)^2$$

$$y = Q^2/\hat{s} \Rightarrow \hat{u}^2 = (1 - y)^2 \hat{s}^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\text{spins}} |\mathcal{M}|^2 = \frac{e_q^2 e^4}{Q^4} L^{\mu\nu} Q_{\mu\nu} = 2e_q^2 e^4 \frac{\hat{s}^2}{Q^4} (1 + (1 - y)^2)$$

phase space:

$$d\Phi_2 = \frac{d^3 k'}{(2\pi)^3 2E'} \frac{d^4 p'}{(2\pi)^3} \delta(p'^2) (2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)}(k + p - k' - p')$$

$$= \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} \frac{E'}{4\pi} dE' d\cos\theta \frac{x}{Q^2} \delta(\xi - x) = \frac{d\phi}{(4\pi)^2} dy dx \delta(\xi - x)$$

proton structure in the parton model

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2 \hat{\sigma}}{dx dy} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{yQ^2} [1 + (1-y)^2] \frac{1}{2} e_q^2 \delta(\xi - x)$$

comparison with expression for structure functions

$$\frac{d^2 \sigma}{dx dy} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{yQ^2} \left[(1 + (1-y)^2) F_1 + \frac{1-y}{x} (F_2 - 2xF_1) \right]$$

leads to: $\hat{F}_1(x) \sim e_q^2 \delta(\xi - x)$, $F_2 - 2xF_1 = 0$ Callan-Gross relation
derived from first principles!

interpretation: a quark constituent of the proton with momentum fraction $\xi = x$
takes part in the hard scattering

parton distribution functions

we can infer
$$F_2(x) = \sum_i \int_0^1 d\xi f_i(\xi) x e_{q_i}^2 \delta(x - \xi) = x \sum_i e_{q_i}^2 f_i(x)$$

$f_i(\xi)$ denotes the probability that a parton (q, \bar{q}, g) with flavour i carries a momentum fraction of the proton between ξ and $\xi + d\xi$

$f_i(\xi)$: **parton distribution functions (PDFs)**

PDFs are fitted from data, but their energy scale dependence is calculable in perturbation theory

parton distribution functions

hadronic cross section:

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{dx dQ^2} = \int_x^1 \frac{d\xi}{\xi} \sum_i f_i(\xi) \frac{d^2\hat{\sigma}}{dx dQ^2} \left(\frac{x}{\xi}, Q^2 \right)$$

factorisation into a *convolution* of partonic cross section and PDFs

def. convolution:

$$f \otimes_x g \equiv \int_x^1 \frac{d\xi}{\xi} f(\xi) g \left(\frac{x}{\xi} \right)$$

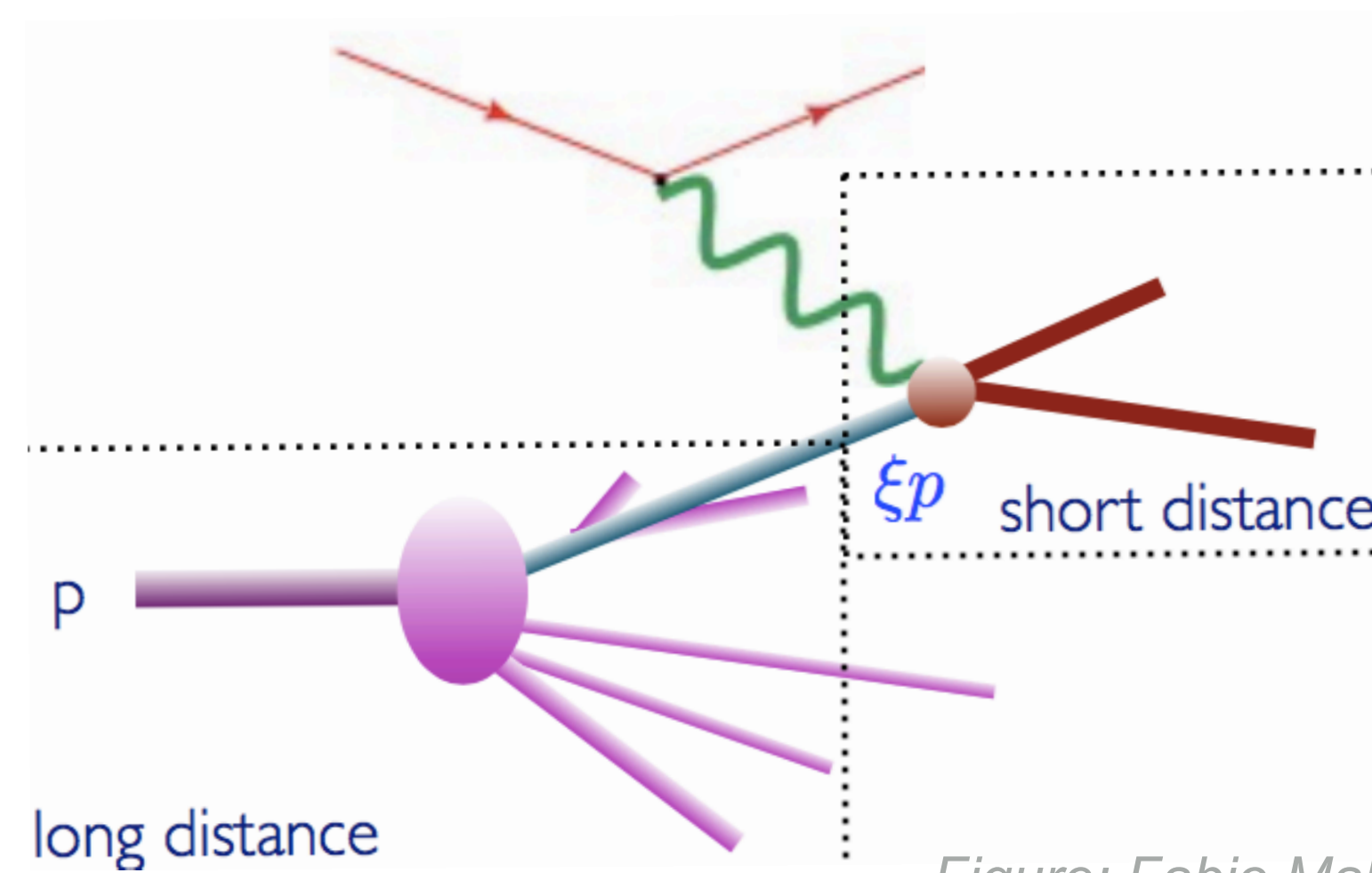


Figure: Fabio Maltoni

parton distribution functions

in the naive parton model:

$$F_2(x) = 2xF_1(x) = \sum_i \int_0^1 d\xi f_i(\xi) x e_{q_i}^2 \delta(x - \xi) = x \sum_i e_{q_i}^2 f_i(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow F_2^{\text{proton}}(x) = x \left[\frac{4}{9} (u(x) + \bar{u}(x)) + \frac{1}{9} (d(x) + \bar{d}(x)) \right]$$

define valence and sea quarks by

$$u(x) = \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{valence quark}}}{u_v(x)} + \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{sea quark}}}{\bar{u}(x)}, \quad d(x) = d_v(x) + \bar{d}(x)$$

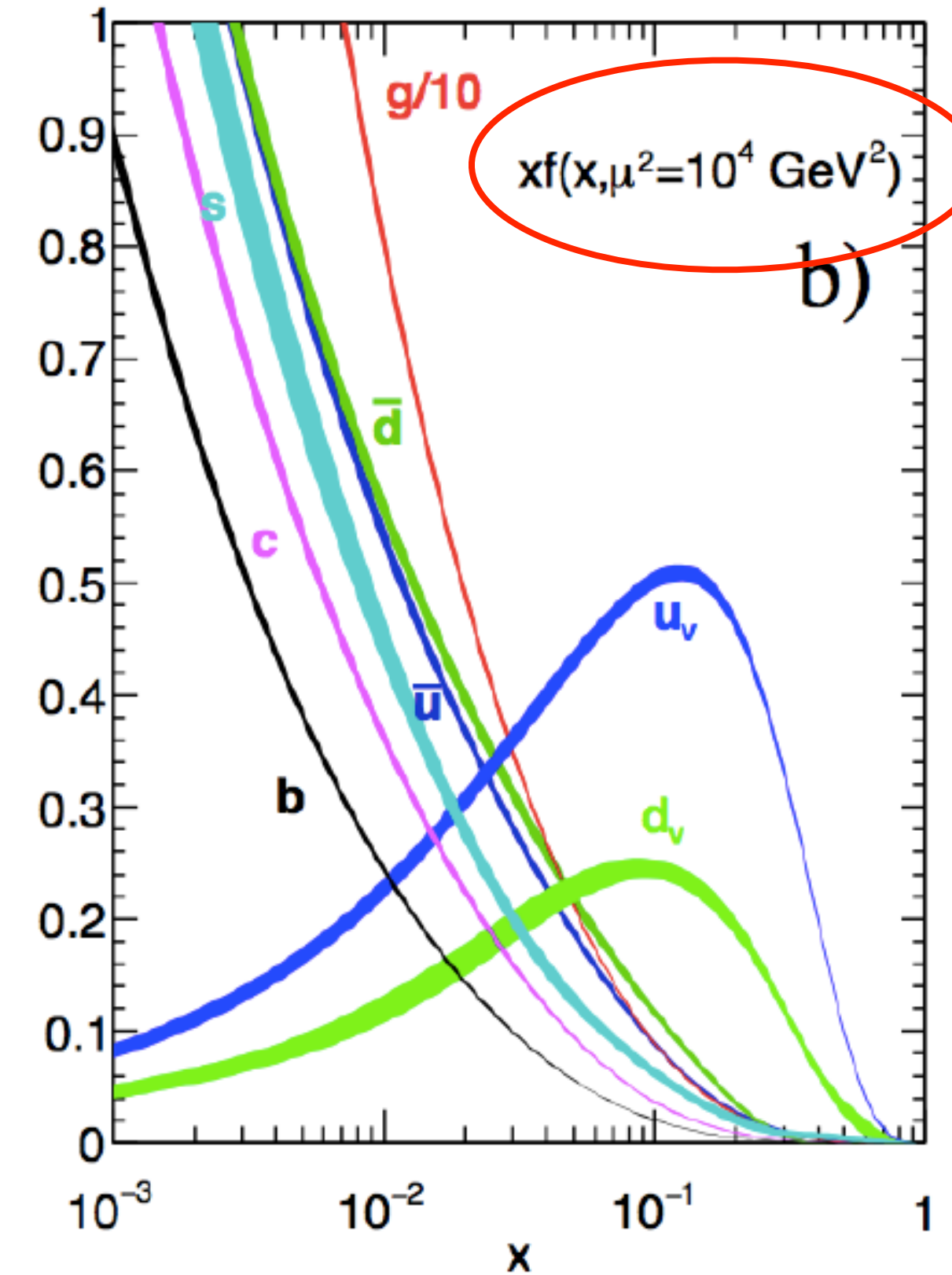
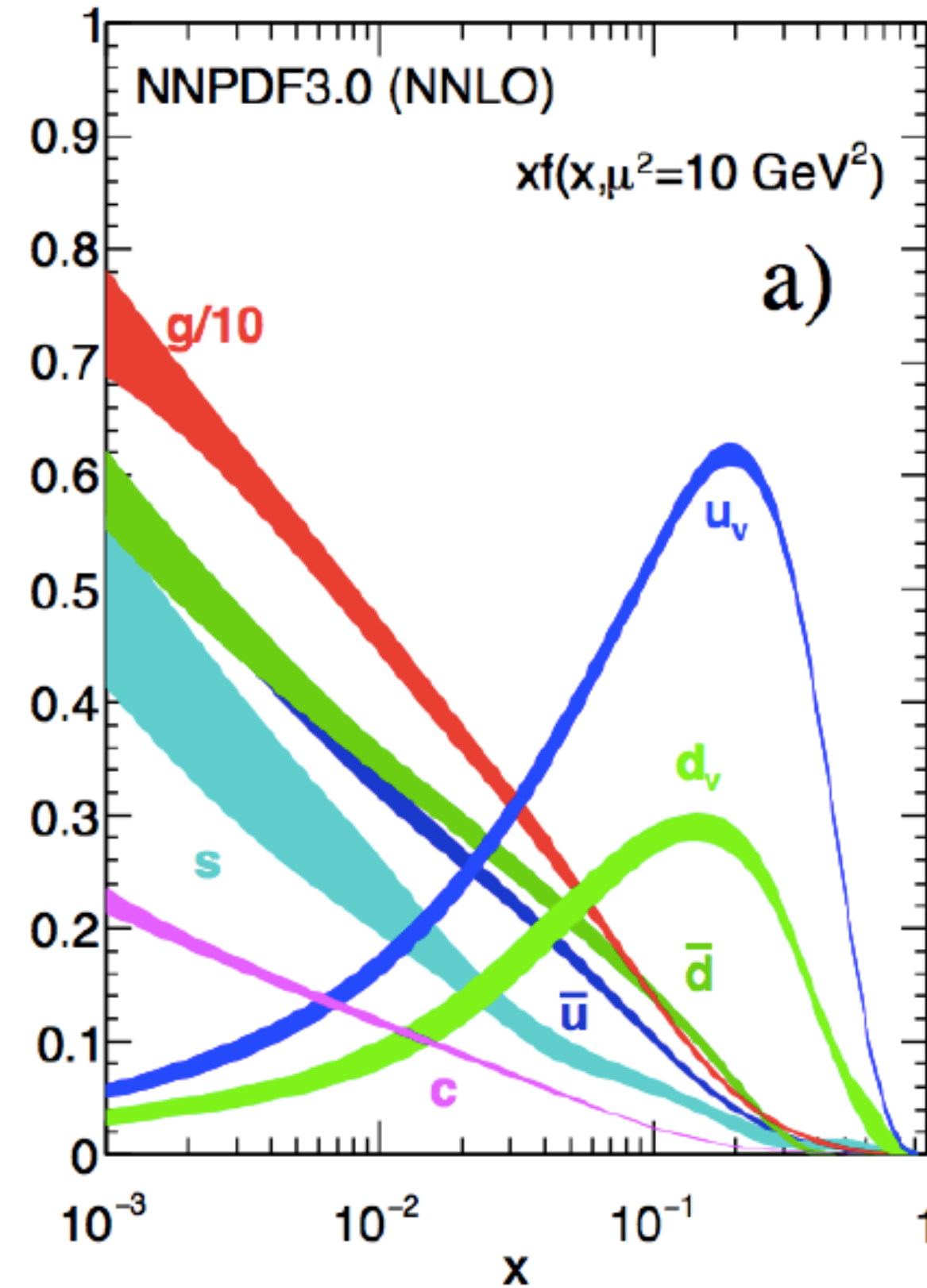
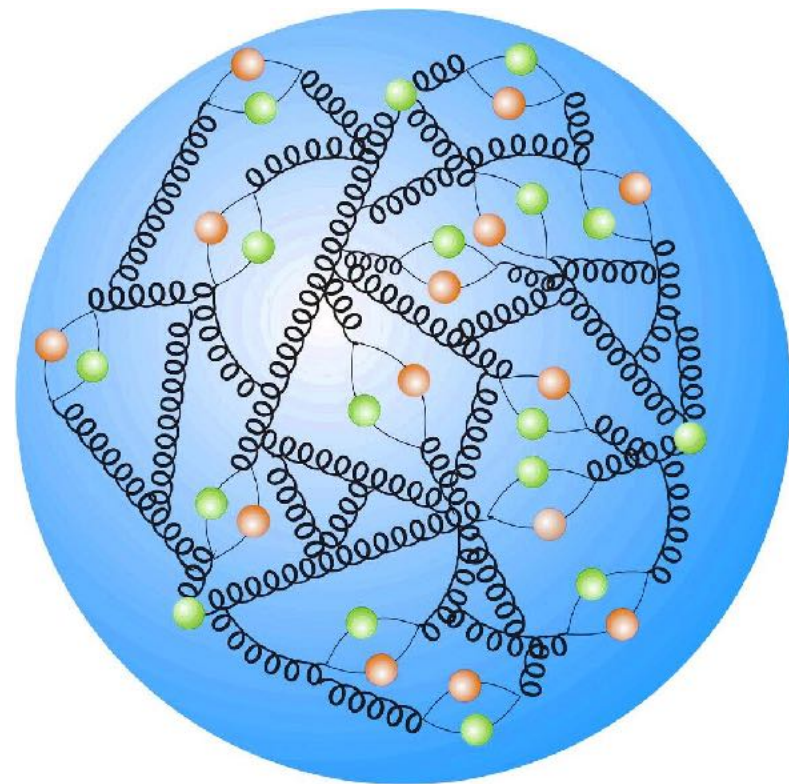
valence quarks define the quantum numbers of the nucleon e.g. proton: uud, charge=+1

"sum rules": $\int_0^1 dx u_v(x) = 2, \int_0^1 dx d_v(x) = 1, \int_0^1 dx (s(x) - \bar{s}(x)) = 0$

parton distribution functions (PDFs)

sea quarks and gluons are more important at

- small x
- large Q^2



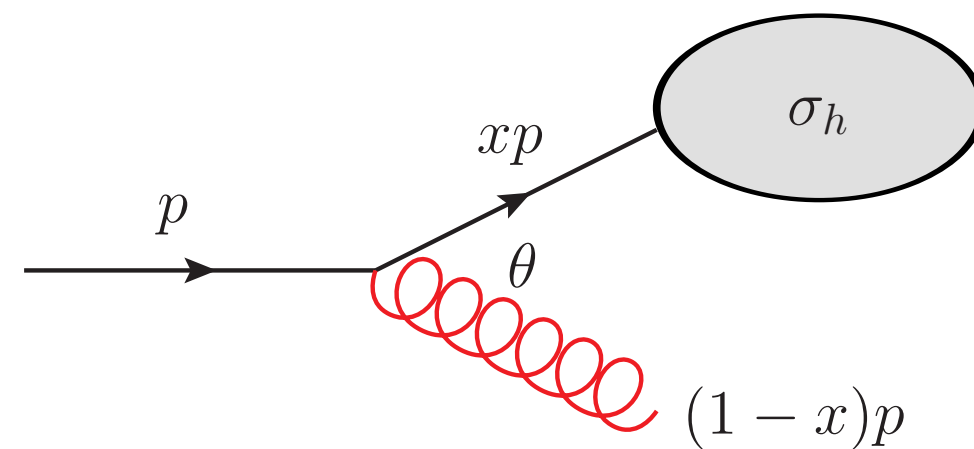
note: quarks carry only about 50% of the proton momentum

$$\sum_i \int_0^1 dx x [q_i(x) + \bar{q}_i(x)] \simeq 0.5$$

the rest is carried by gluons

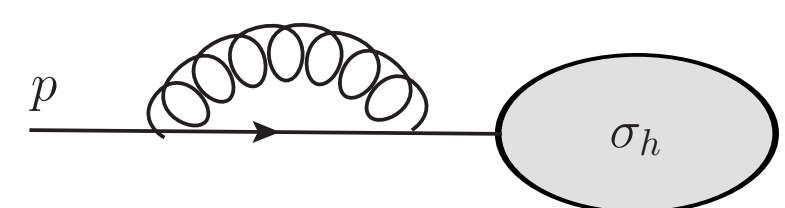
back to IR singularities

consider parton splitting in the **initial** state:



$$\sigma_{h+g}(p) \simeq \sigma_h(xp) 2C_F \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \frac{dE}{E} \frac{d\theta}{\theta} \rightarrow \sigma_h(xp) C_F \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} dx (1-x)^{-1-\epsilon} dk_{\perp}^2 (k_{\perp}^2)^{-1-\epsilon}$$

virtual corrections:



$$\sigma_{h+V} \simeq -\sigma_h(p) C_F \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} dx (1-x)^{-1-\epsilon} dk_{\perp}^2 (k_{\perp}^2)^{-1-\epsilon}$$

cancellation for $x \rightarrow 1$ (soft limit) **but what about there collinear limit?**

initial state singularities

$$\sigma_{h+g} + \sigma_{h+V} \simeq C_F \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \int_0^{Q^2} \underbrace{dk_{\perp}^2 (k_{\perp}^2)^{-1-\epsilon}}_{\text{uncanceled collinear singularity}} dx \underbrace{(1-x)^{-1-\epsilon} [\sigma_h(xp) - \sigma_h(p)]}_{\text{finite}}$$

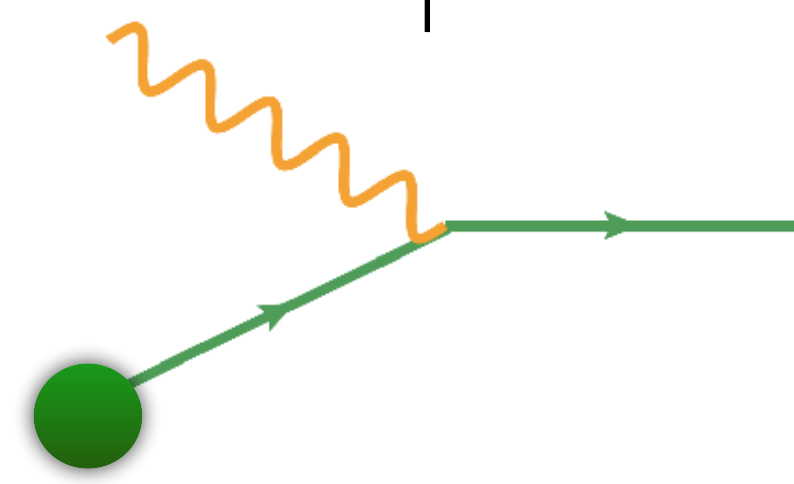
however behaviour is **universal**, does not depend on details of σ_h

procedure: absorb singularities into “bare” parton densities at some scale μ_f
 (similar to renormalisation)

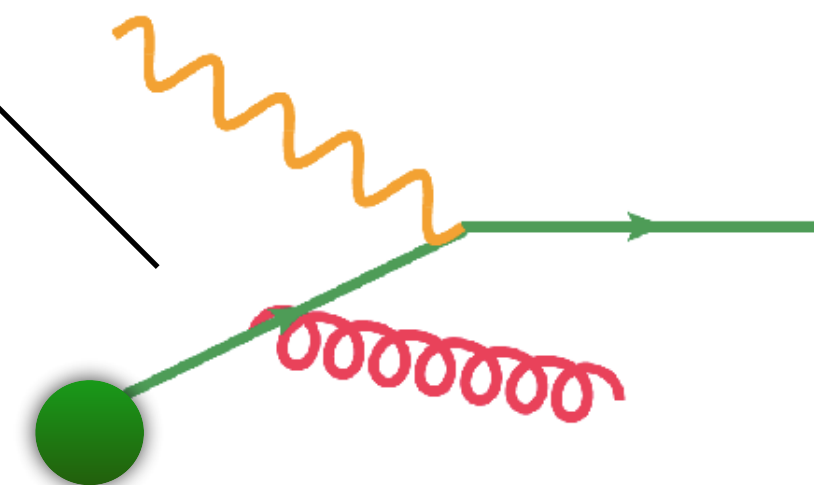
μ_f is called **factorisation scale**

example structure functions

$$\hat{F}_{2,q}(x) = e_q^2 x \left[\delta(1-x) + \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \left(- \left(\frac{Q^2}{\mu^2} \right)^{-\epsilon} \frac{1}{\epsilon} P_{q \rightarrow qg}(x) + C_2^q(x) \right) \right]$$

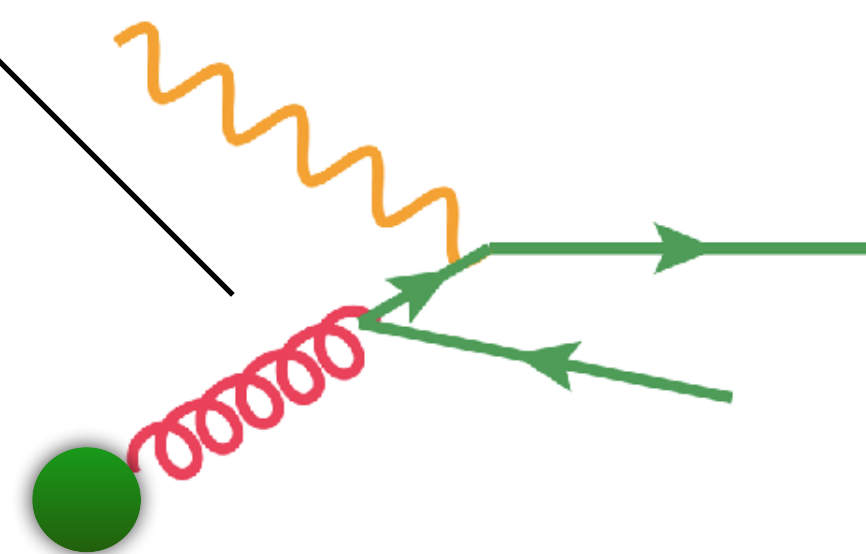


parton model



gluon emission

$$\hat{F}_{2,g}(x) = \sum_q e_q^2 x \left[0 + \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \left(- \left(\frac{Q^2}{\mu^2} \right)^{-\epsilon} \frac{1}{\epsilon} P_{g \rightarrow q\bar{q}}(x) + C_2^g(x) \right) \right]$$



splitting of a gluon into a quark-antiquark pair

initial state singularities

from parton level to hadron level:

$$F_{2,q}(x, Q^2) = x \sum_i e_{qi}^2 \left[f_i^{(0)}(x) + \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \int_x^1 \frac{d\xi}{\xi} f_i^{(0)}(\xi) \left(- \left(\frac{Q^2}{\mu^2} \right)^{-\epsilon} \frac{1}{\epsilon} P_{q \rightarrow qg} \left(\frac{x}{\xi} \right) + C_2^q \left(\frac{x}{\xi} \right) \right) \right]$$

↑
bare parton distribution functions

define physical PDF by

$$f_i(x, \mu_f^2) = f_i^{(0)}(x) + \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \int_x^1 \frac{d\xi}{\xi} \left\{ f_i^{(0)}(\xi) \left[-\frac{1}{\epsilon} \left(\frac{\mu_f^2}{\mu^2} \right)^{-\epsilon} P_{q \rightarrow qg} \left(\frac{x}{\xi} \right) + K_{qq} \right] \right\}$$

replace $f_i^{(0)}(x)$, expand to order α_s

$$F_{2,q}(x, Q^2) = x \sum_i e_{qi}^2 \int_x^1 \frac{d\xi}{\xi} f_i(\xi, \mu_f^2) \left\{ \delta\left(1 - \frac{x}{\xi}\right) + \frac{\alpha_s(\mu_r)}{2\pi} \left[P_{q \rightarrow qg} \left(\frac{x}{\xi} \right) \ln \frac{Q^2}{\mu_f^2} - (C_2^q - K_{qq}) \right] \right\}$$

$$= x \sum_i e_{qi}^2 \int_x^1 \frac{d\xi}{\xi} f_i(\xi, \mu_f^2) \hat{F}_{2,i} \left(\frac{x}{\xi}, Q^2, \mu_r, \mu_f \right)$$

now dependence on μ_f

factorisation of initial state singularities

$$F_{2,q}(x, Q^2) = x \sum_i e_{q_i}^2 \int_x^1 \frac{d\xi}{\xi} f_i(\xi, \mu_f^2) \hat{F}_{2,i}\left(\frac{x}{\xi}, Q^2, \mu_r, \mu_f\right)$$

use convolution $f \otimes_x g \equiv \int_x^1 \frac{d\xi}{\xi} f(\xi) g\left(\frac{x}{\xi}\right)$

$$F_{2,q}(x, Q^2) = x \sum_i e_{q_i}^2 f_i(\mu_f) \otimes_x \hat{F}_{2,i}(\mu_r, t) \quad t = \ln \frac{Q^2}{\mu_f^2}$$

left side is a physical quantity, should not depend on μ_f

⇒ we can derive a “renormalisation group equation” which determines how the PDFs **evolve with the energy scale**

PDF evolution

this is best done in **Mellin space** (convolution turns into simple product)

$$\text{Mellin transform: } f(N) \equiv \int_0^1 dx x^{N-1} f(x) \quad (N \geq 1)$$

factorisation equation in Mellin space:

$$F_{2,q}(N, Q^2) = x \sum_i e_{q_i}^2 f_i(N, \mu_f^2) \hat{F}_{2,i}(N, \mu_r, t)$$

we must have

$$\frac{d}{d\mu_f} F_{2,q}(N, Q^2) = 0$$

consider just one quark flavour $i \rightarrow q$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{F}_{2,q}(N, t) \frac{df_q(N, \mu_f^2)}{d\mu_f^2} + f_q(N, \mu_f^2) \frac{d\hat{F}_{2,q}(N, t)}{d\mu_f^2} = 0$$

PDF evolution

$$\hat{F}_{2,q}(N, t) \frac{df_q(N, \mu_f^2)}{d\mu_f^2} + f_q(N, \mu_f^2) \frac{d\hat{F}_{2,q}(N, t)}{d\mu_f^2} = 0$$

divide by $f_q \hat{F}_{2,q}$

$$\mu_f^2 \frac{d \ln f_q(N, \mu_f^2)}{d\mu_f^2} = -\mu_f^2 \frac{d \ln \hat{F}_{2,q}(N, t)}{d\mu_f^2} \equiv \gamma_{qq}(N), \quad t = \ln(Q^2 / \mu_f^2)$$

$$t \frac{df_q(N, t)}{dt} = \gamma_{qq}(N, \alpha_s(t)) f_q(N, t)$$

↑
anomalous dimension

PDF evolution

back from Mellin space to x-space:

$$t \frac{\partial}{\partial t} f_{q_i}(x, t) = \int_x^1 \frac{d\xi}{\xi} P_{q_i/q_j} \left(\frac{x}{\xi}, \alpha_s(t) \right) f_{q_j}(\xi, t)$$

DGLAP evolution equation

(Dokshitzer, Gribov, Lipatov, Altarelli, Parisi)

N3LO partially:

$$P_{q_i/q_j}(x, \alpha_s) = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{ij}^{(0)}(x) + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \right)^2 P_{ij}^{(1)}(x) + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \right)^3 P_{ij}^{(2)}(x) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^4)$$

LO (1974)

NLO (1980)

NNLO (2004, Moch, Vermaseren Vogt)

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the equation above holds for a single quark flavour or a non-singlet flavour combination

$$q_{\text{ns}} = f_{q_i} - f_{q_j}$$

in general it is a matrix equation

DGLAP evolution

$$t \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \begin{pmatrix} f_{q_i}(x, t) \\ f_g(x, t) \end{pmatrix} = \sum_{q_j, \bar{q}_j} \int_x^1 \frac{d\xi}{\xi} \begin{pmatrix} P_{q_i/q_j}(\frac{x}{\xi}, \alpha_s(t)) & P_{q_i/g}(\frac{x}{\xi}, \alpha_s(t)) \\ P_{g/q_j}(\frac{x}{\xi}, \alpha_s(t)) & P_{g/g}(\frac{x}{\xi}, \alpha_s(t)) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} f_{q_j}(\xi, t) \\ f_g(\xi, t) \end{pmatrix}$$

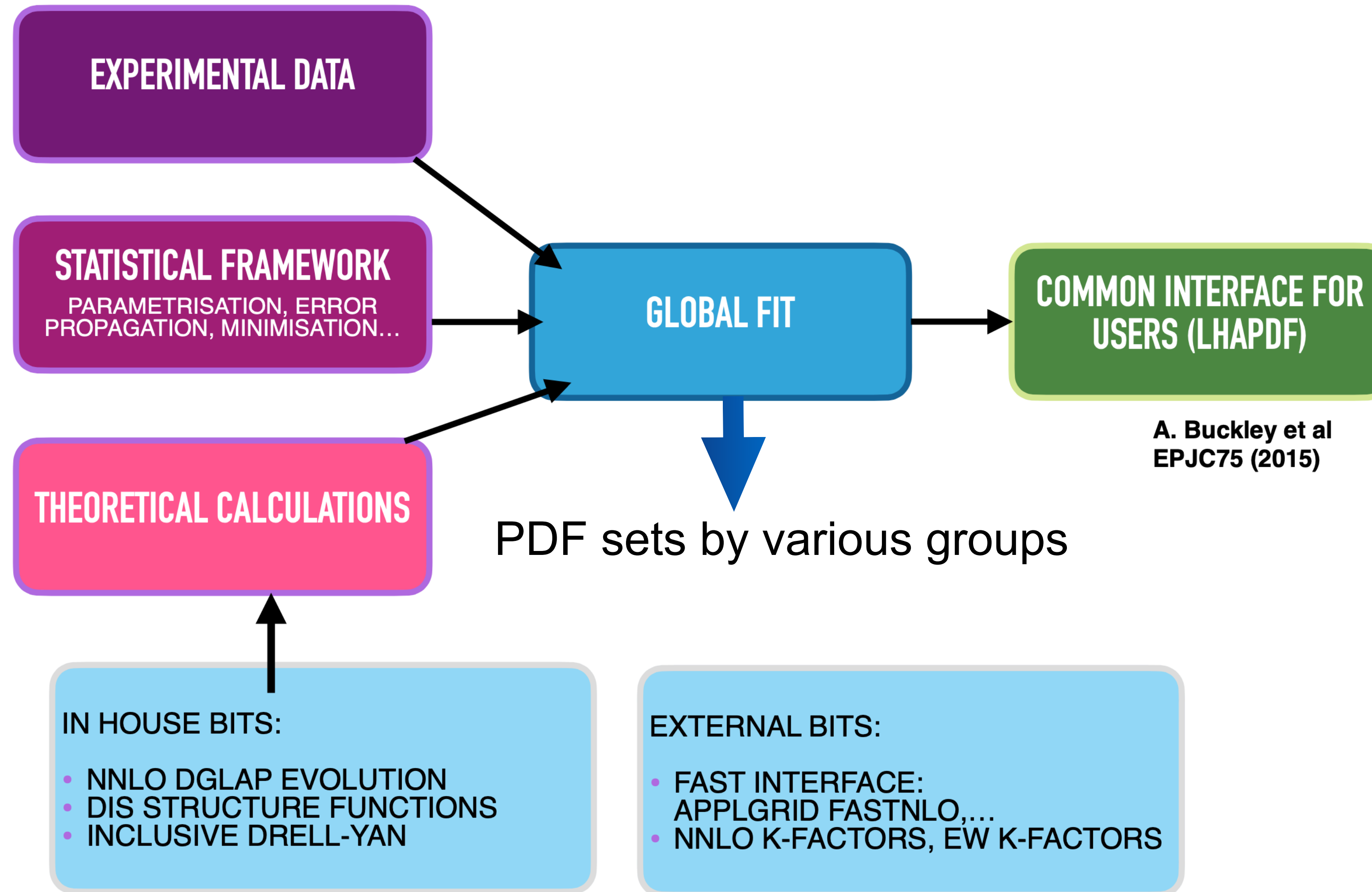
pictorially, to 1st order in α_s

$$\frac{d}{d \log(t/\mu^2)} f_q(x, t) \begin{array}{c} q \\ \diagup \\ \diagdown \end{array} = \int_x^1 \frac{dz}{z} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} f_q(x/z, t) \begin{array}{c} P_{qq}(z) \\ q \\ \diagup \\ \diagdown \end{array} + \int_x^1 \frac{dz}{z} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} f_g(x/z, t) \begin{array}{c} P_{gq}(z) \\ q \\ \diagup \\ \diagdown \end{array}$$

$$\frac{d}{d \log(t/\mu^2)} f_g(x, t) \begin{array}{c} g \\ \diagup \\ \diagdown \end{array} = \sum_{i=1}^{2n_f} \int_x^1 \frac{dz}{z} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} f_q(x/z, t) \begin{array}{c} P_{qg}(z) \\ g \\ \diagup \\ \diagdown \end{array} + \int_x^1 \frac{dz}{z} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} f_g(x/z, t) \begin{array}{c} P_{gg}(z) \\ g \\ \diagup \\ \diagdown \end{array}$$

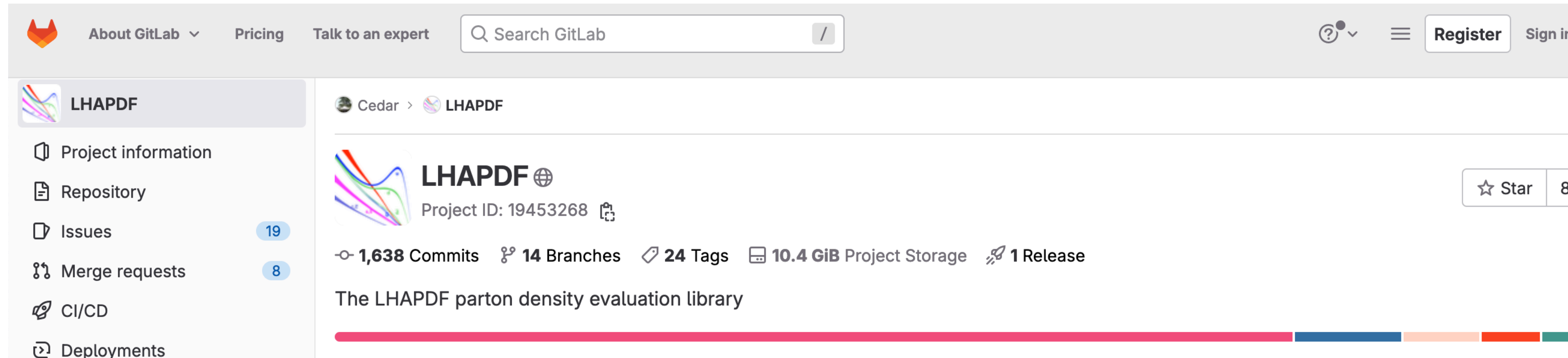
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PDF fitting machinery



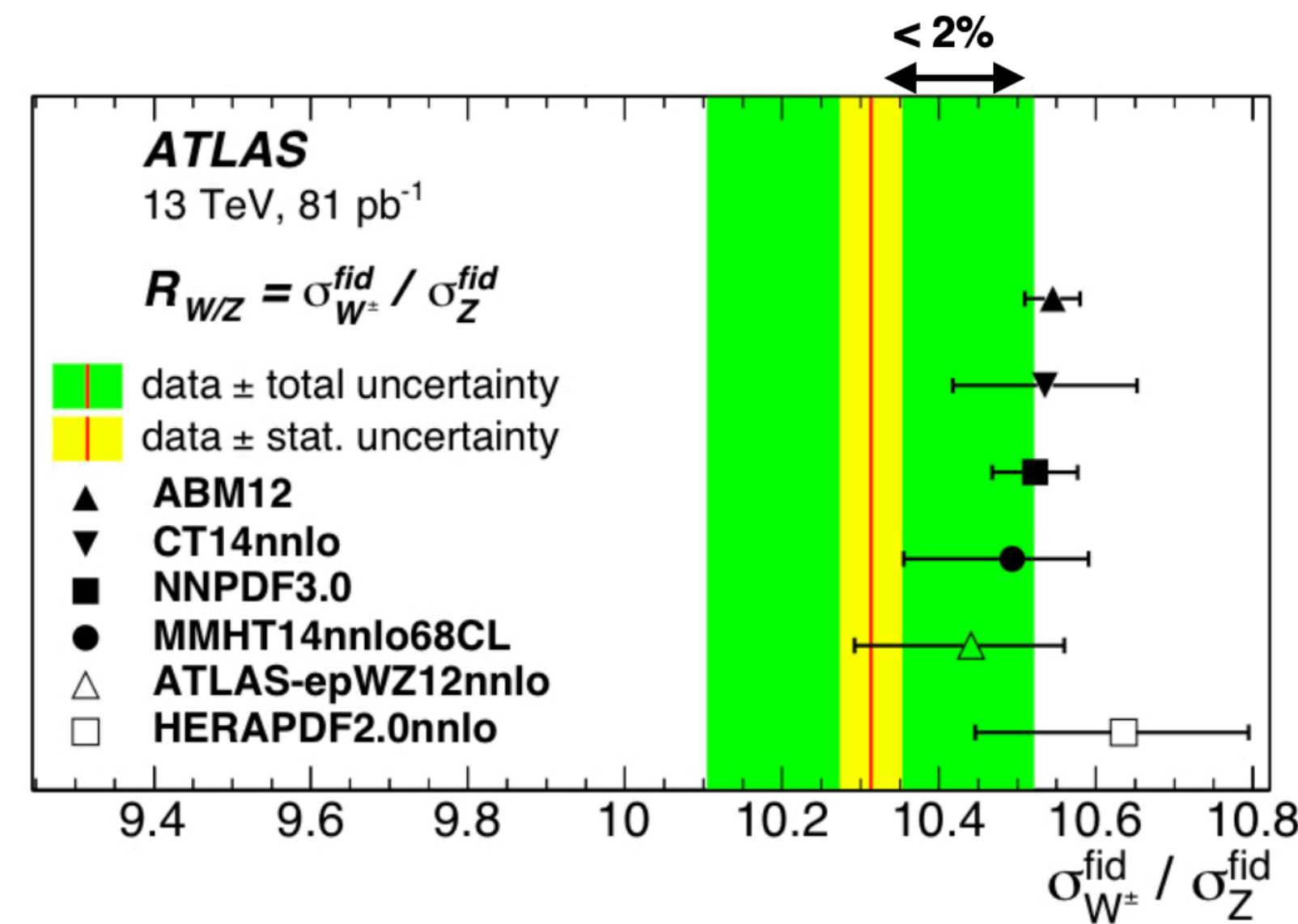
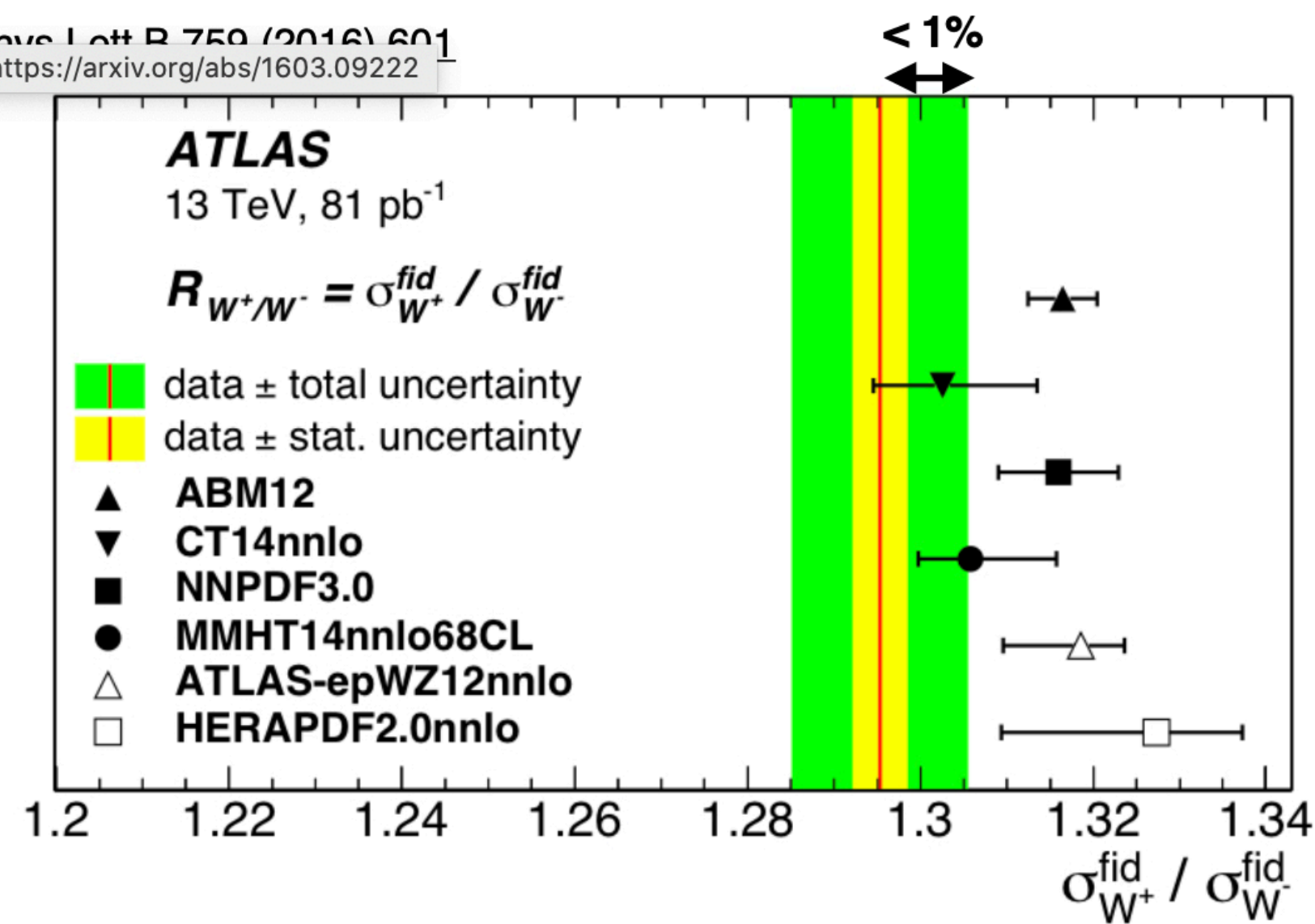
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PDF sets



available on GitLab
(or cernweb, hepforge, ...)

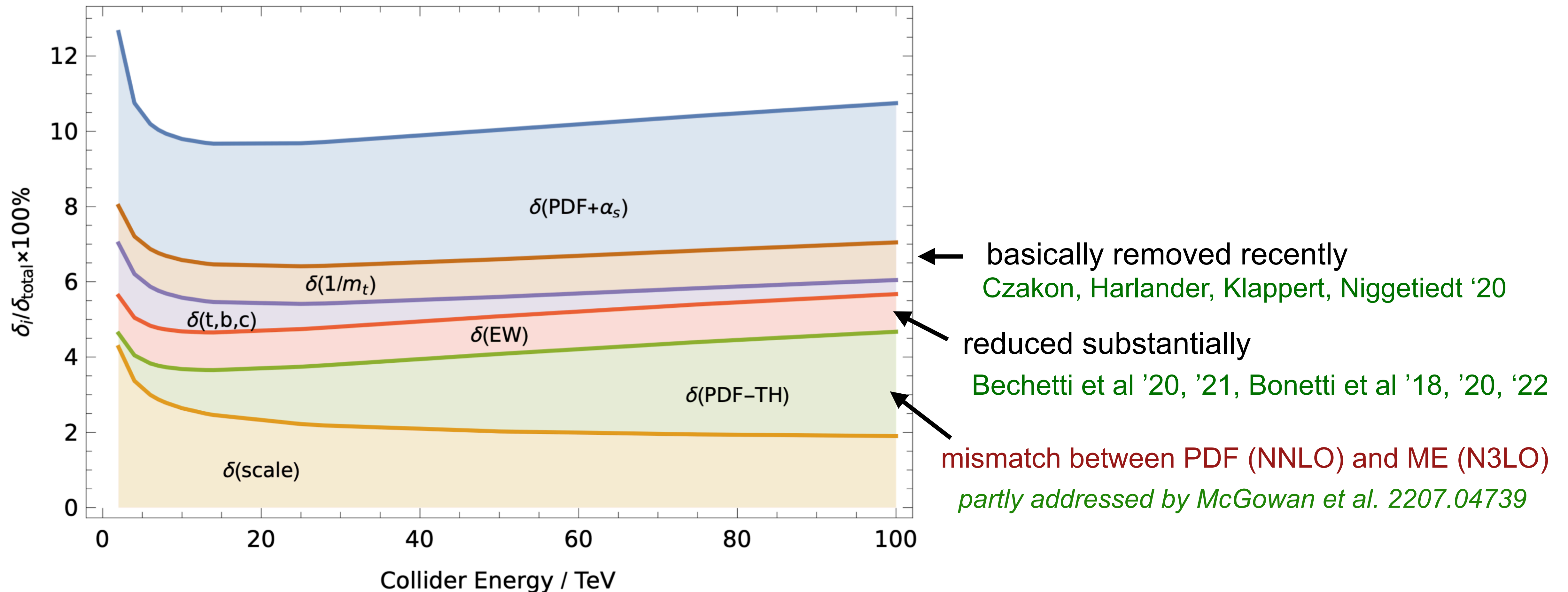
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reducing PDF uncertainties
is very important!

Higgs production in gluon fusion

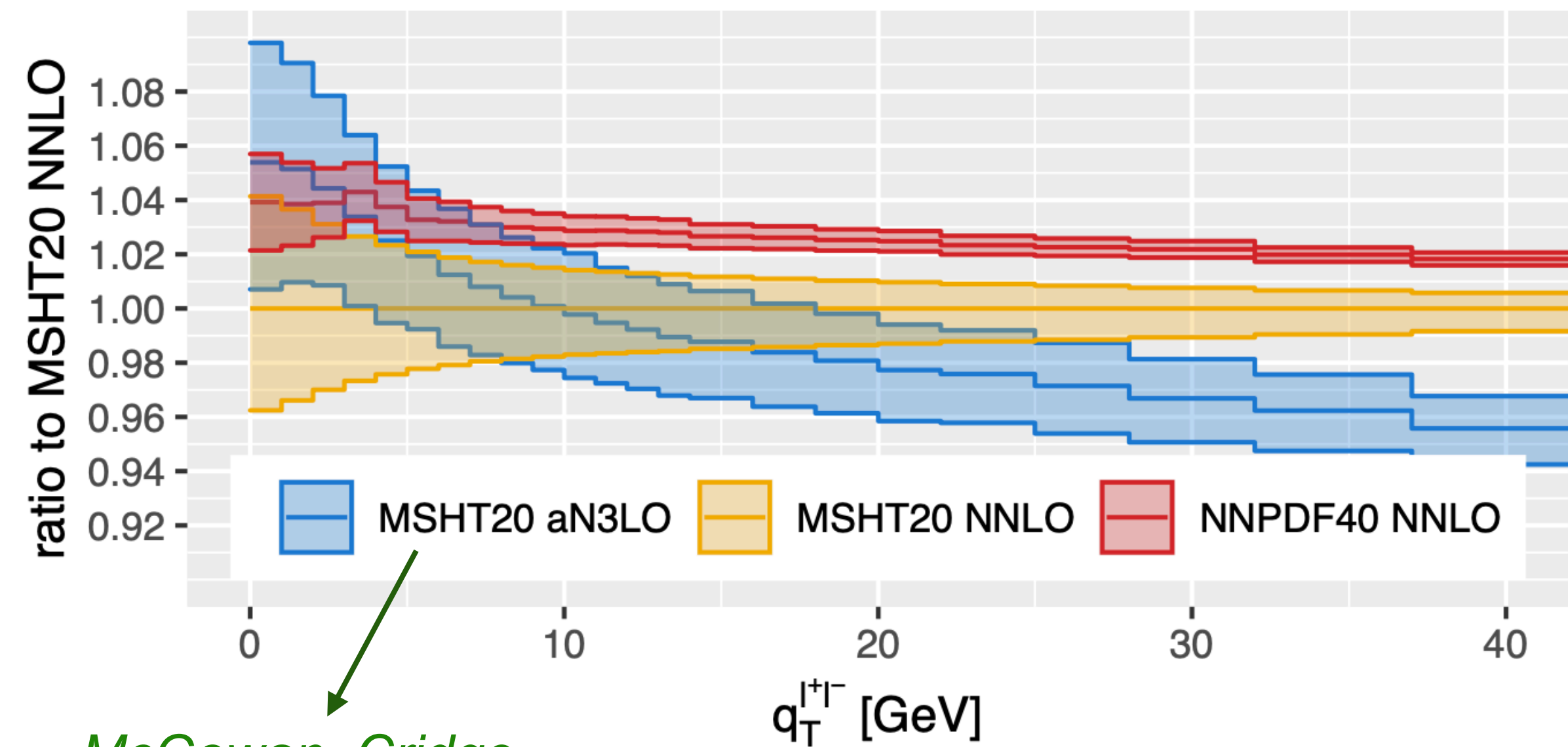
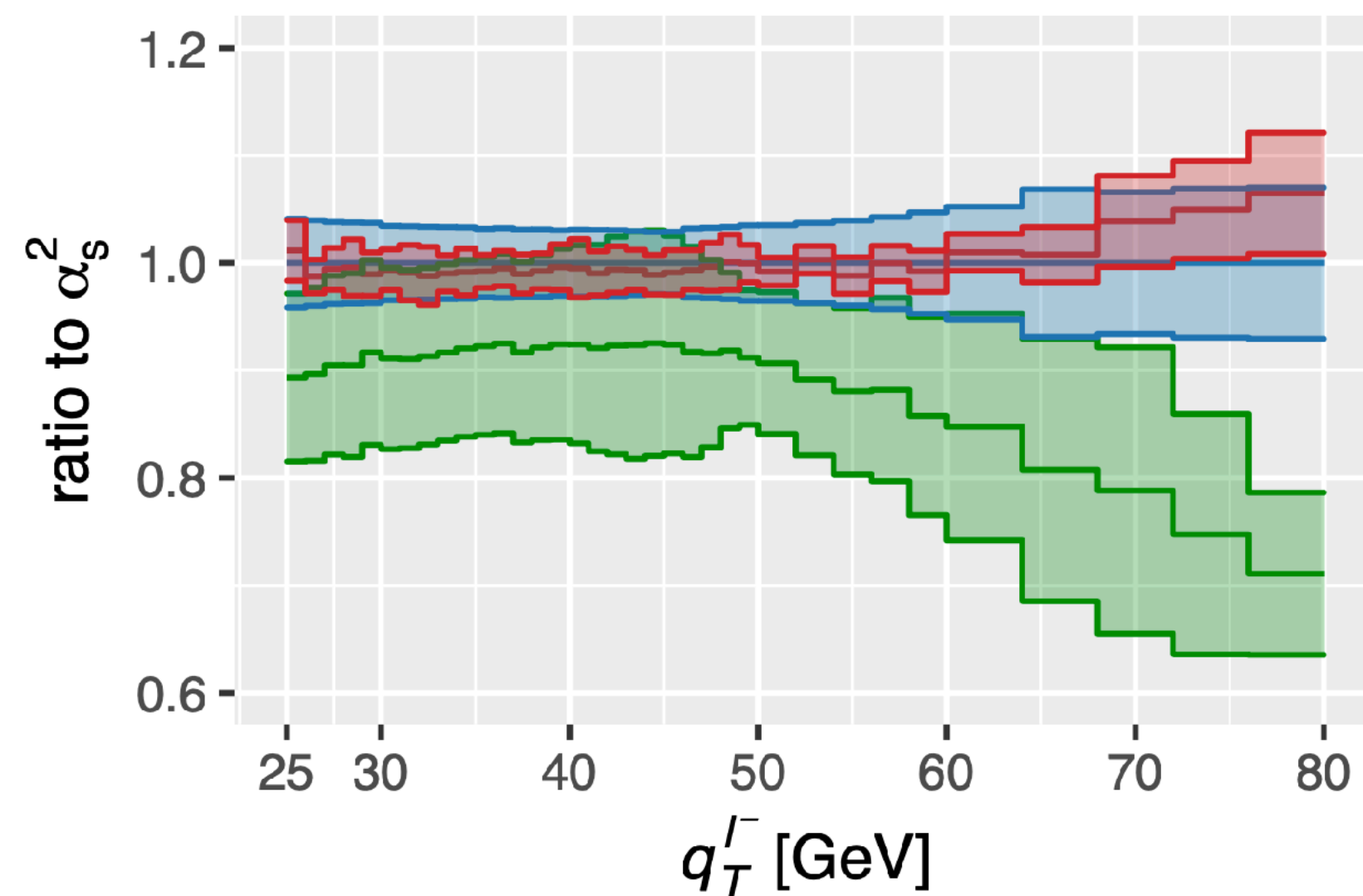
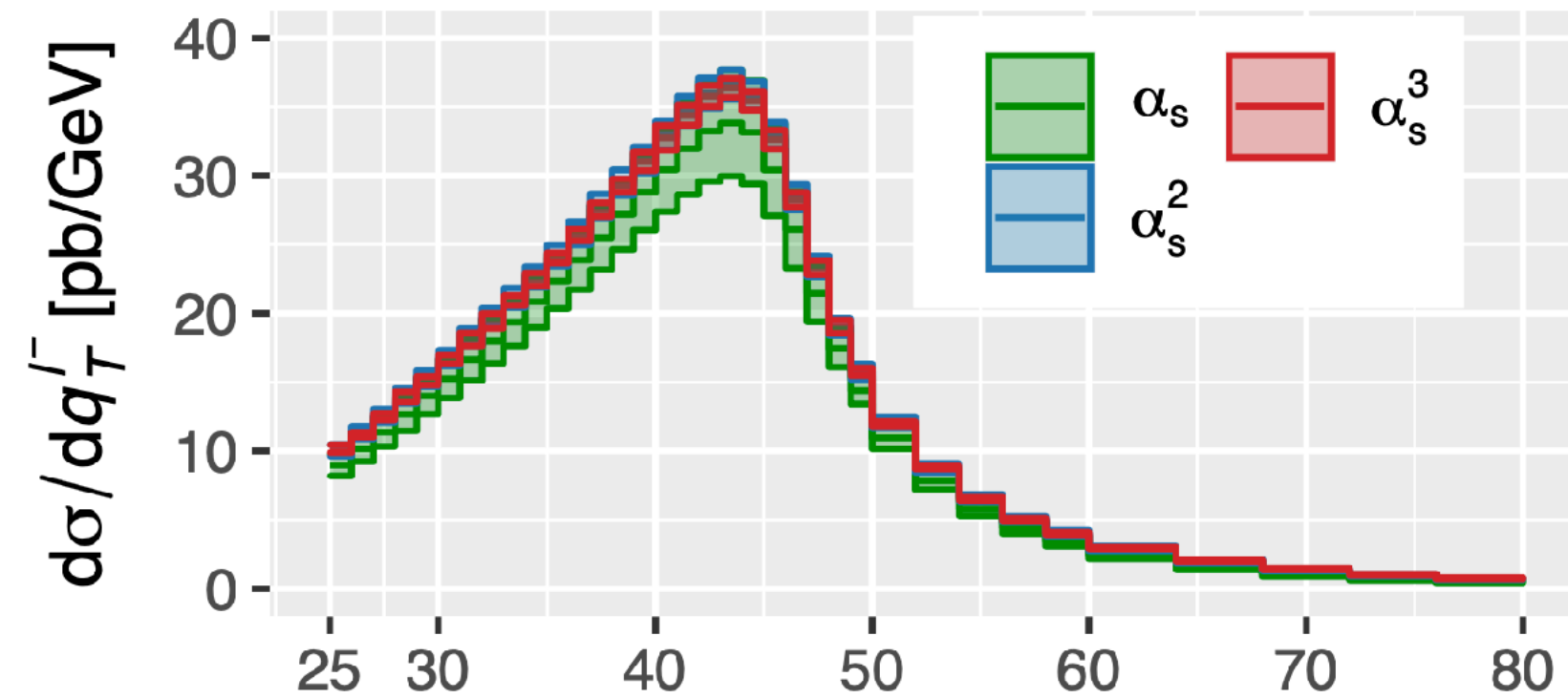
uncertainty budget *Dulat, Lazopoulos, Mistlberger '18*



Scale uncertainties: Drell-Yan (Z-production)

N4LL+N3LO

Neumann, Campbell 2207.07056



*McGowan, Cridge,
Harland-Lang, Thorne
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(approximate) N3LO PDFs introduce shape change!

looking into history

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also:
aN3LO PDFs

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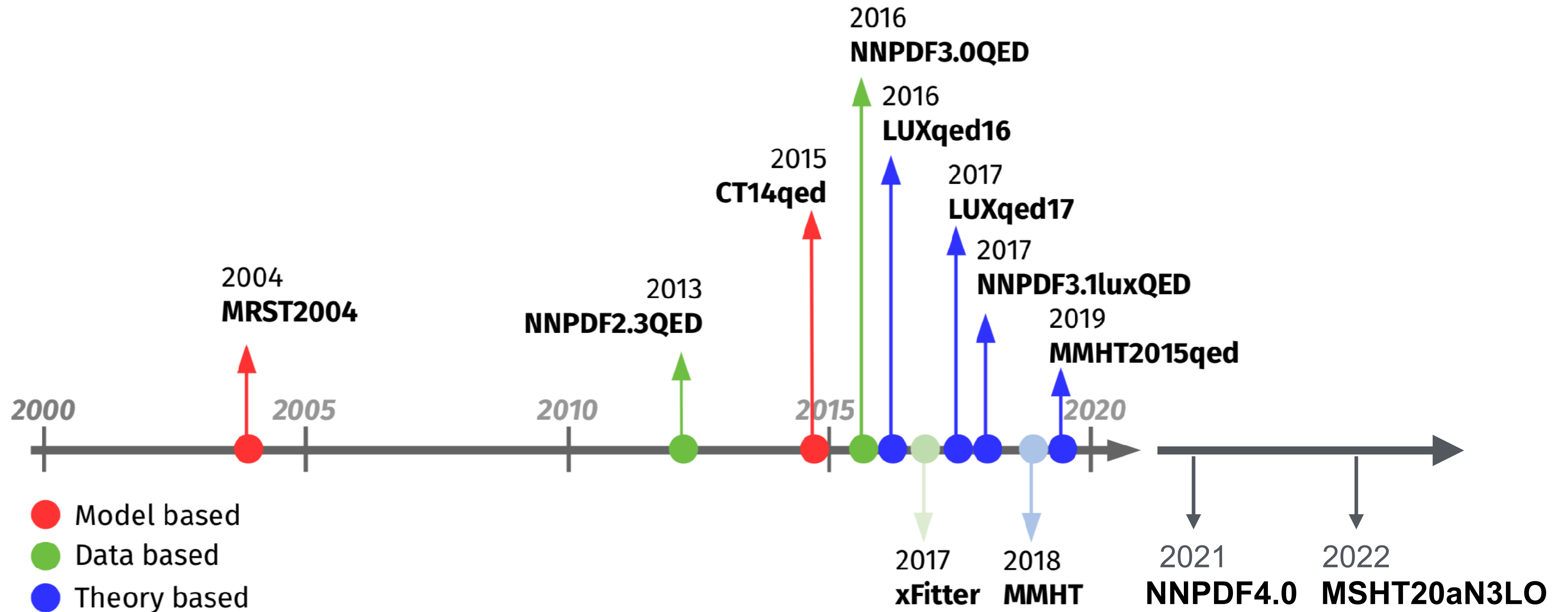
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new: “SMEFT PDF sets”

how to avoid absorbing
new physics effects
in PDF fits?

see e.g. 2307.10370

PDF development (incl. QED corrections)



extended from S.Carrazza, E.Villa et al, 1909.10547

hadron-hadron collisions

- same principle: absorb poles due to initial state collinear radiation into bare parton densities

$$\sigma^{NLO} = \underbrace{\int_{m+1} [d\sigma^R - d\sigma^S]_{\epsilon=0}}_{\text{numerically}} + \underbrace{\int_m \left[\underbrace{d\sigma^V}_{\text{cancel poles}} + \underbrace{\int_S d\sigma^S}_{\text{analytically}} \right]_{\epsilon=0}}_{\text{numerically}}$$

- at NLO, “IR subtraction” procedure is automated; two main schemes:
 - Catani-Seymour (CS) dipole subtraction *Catani, Seymour '96* (momentum mappings)
 - Frixione-Kunszt-Signer (FKS) subtraction *FKS '95* (partition of phase space according to IR singular regions)

automated IR subtraction

various schemes are used in NLO-capable Monte-Carlo programs, e.g.

Sherpa, Dire, Herwig7: **CS**

MadGraph5_aMC@NLO, Powheg, Whizard: **FKS**

further:

Vincia: **antenna subtraction**

[P. Skands et al.]

Geneva: **n-jettiness, q_T** (builds on resummation in resolution parameter, extension to NNLO)

[S. Alioli et al.]

... very incomplete list!

parton shower idea in a nutshell

$$\mathcal{P} = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \int_{p_{T,min}}^{p_{T,max}} \frac{dp_T^2}{p_T^2} \int_{z_{min}}^{z_{max}} dz P_{ij}(z)$$

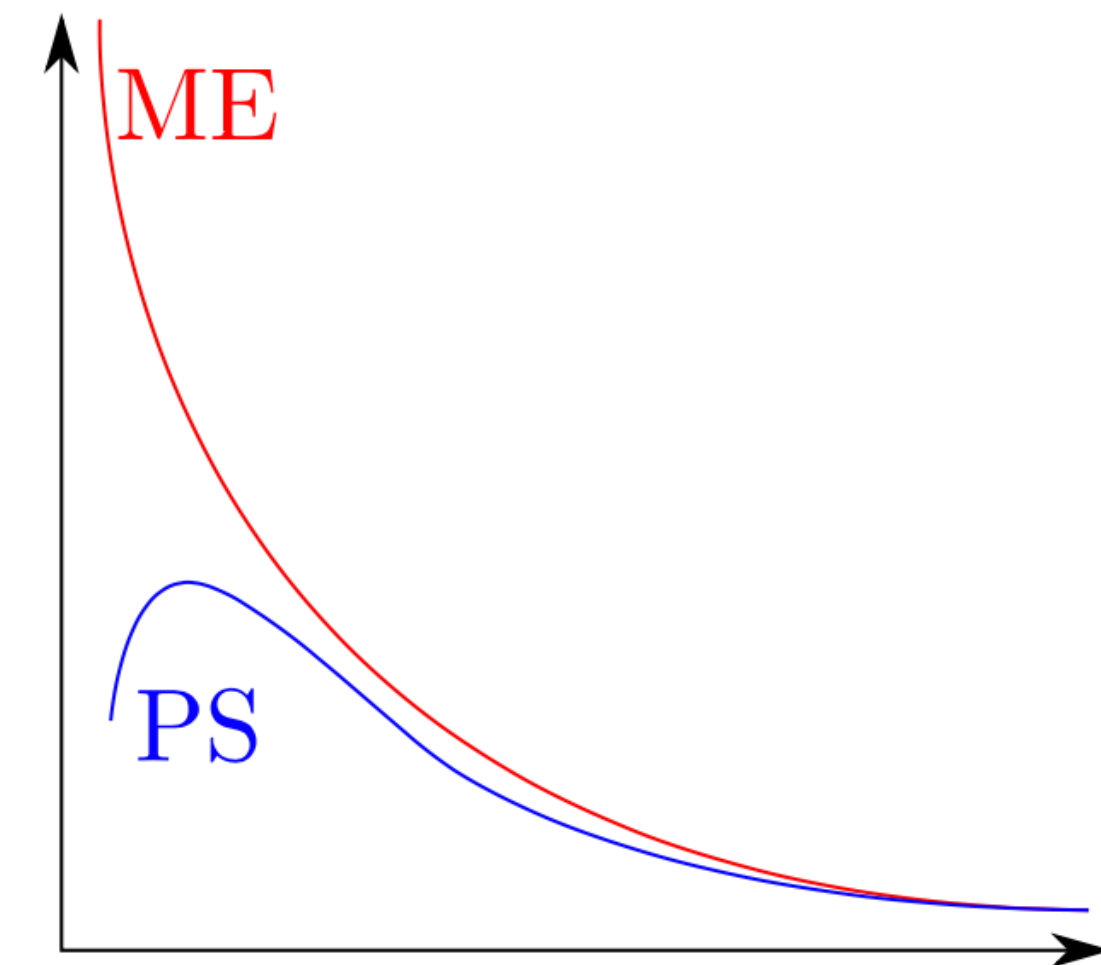
probability to emit a parton with $p_T \in [p_{T,min}, p_{T,max}]$ and energy fraction z of parent

consider successive emissions, ordering variable not necessarily p_T (call it t)

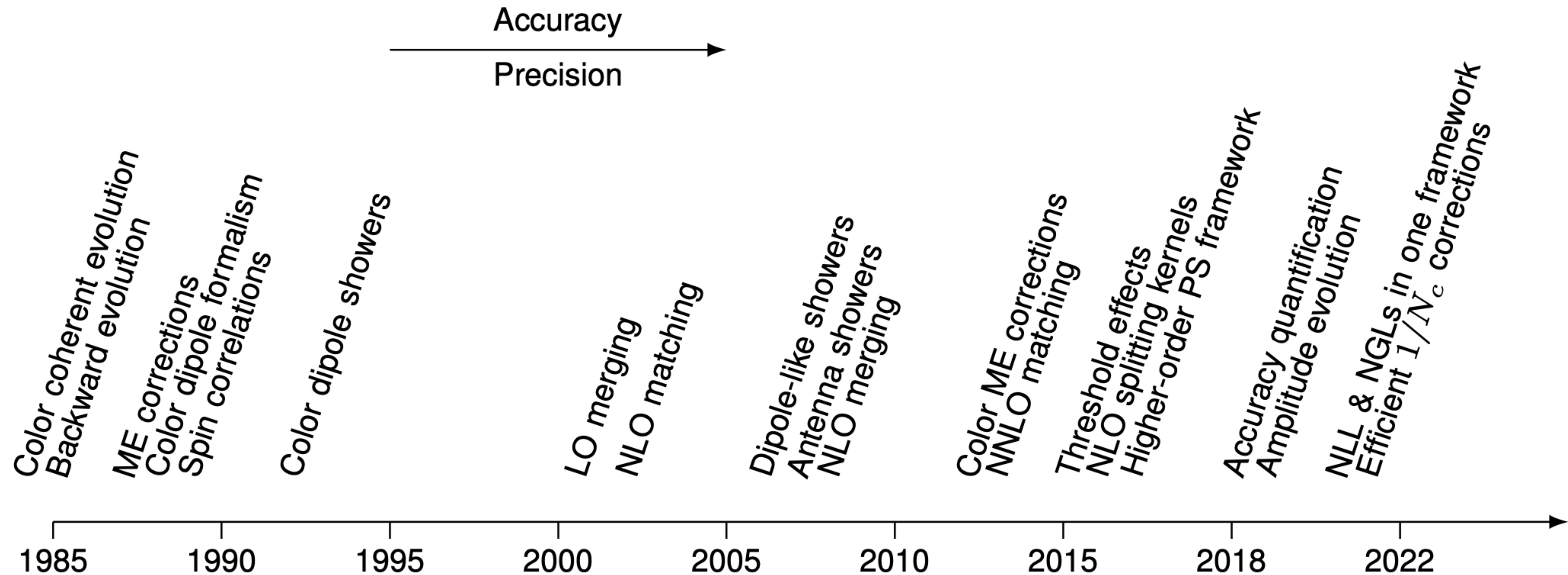
→ Sudakov form factor

$$\Delta_i(t, t') = \exp \left\{ - \sum_{j \in \{q, g\}} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \int_t^{t'} \frac{d\tilde{t}}{\tilde{t}} \int_{z_{min}}^{z_{max}} dz P_{ij}(z) \right\}$$

survival probability for a parton not to undergo a branching between t' and t



Parton shower developments



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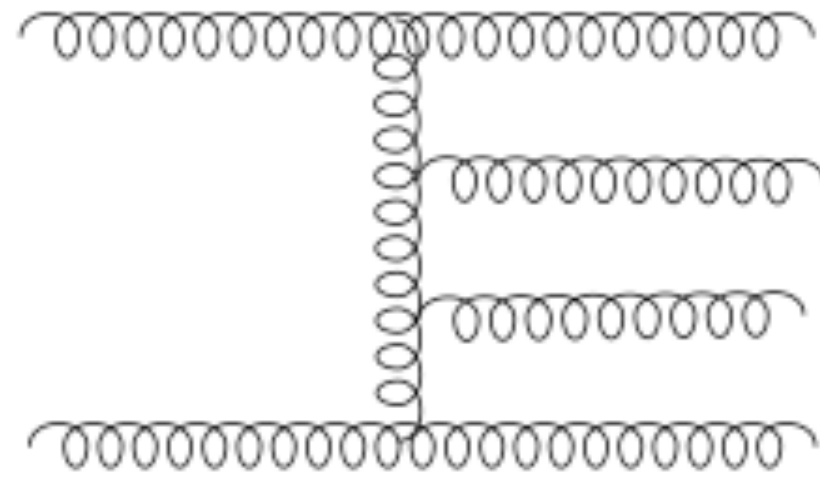
Parton shower developments

- ▶ Lots of activity in parton shower development ...
 - ▶ Logarithmic precision [PanScales,Herwig,Sherpa,...]
 - ▶ Higher-order kernels [Vincia,Sherpa,Herwig,...]
 - ▶ Interplay w/ NNLL [PanScales,...]
- ▶ ... and matching to fixed-order calculations
 - ▶ Improvements at NLO [Herwig,Pythia,Sherpa,...]
 - ▶ Resummation based [Geneva,MINNLO_{PS}]
 - ▶ Fully differential [Vincia,UN^XLOPS,TOMTE]
- ▶ Still, many questions remain [Campbell et al.] arXiv:2203.11110
 - ▶ Systematic treatment of kinematic edge effects
 - ▶ Massive quark production & evolution
 - ▶ Interplay with hadronization
 - ▶ ...

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NNLO building blocks

example 2-jet production
(gluon channel)

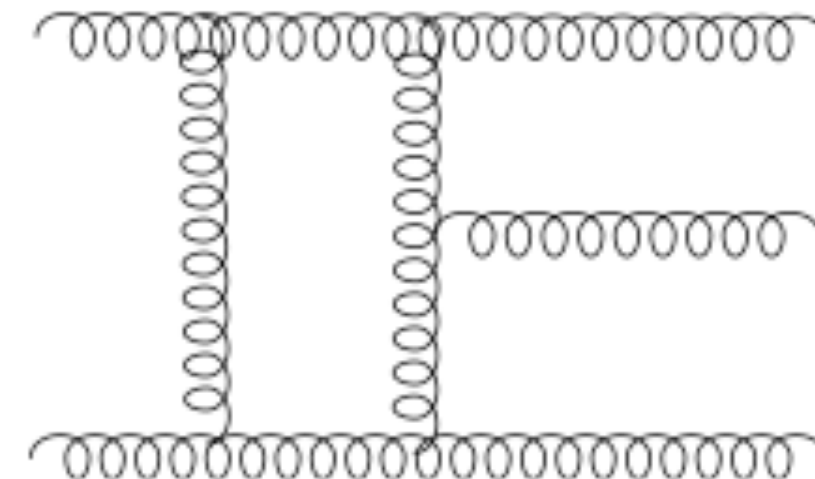


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implicit IR poles
(phase space integration)

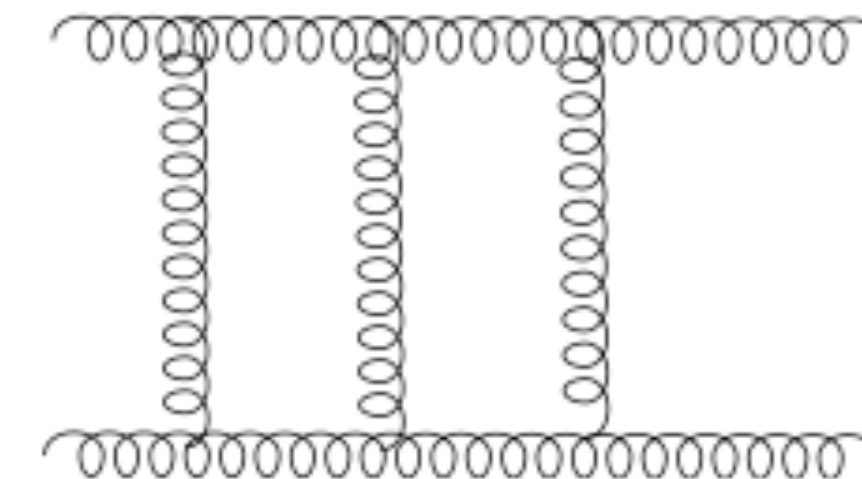
bottlenecks: IR subtraction



1-loop virtual
⊗ single real



explicit and implicit poles



2-loop virtual

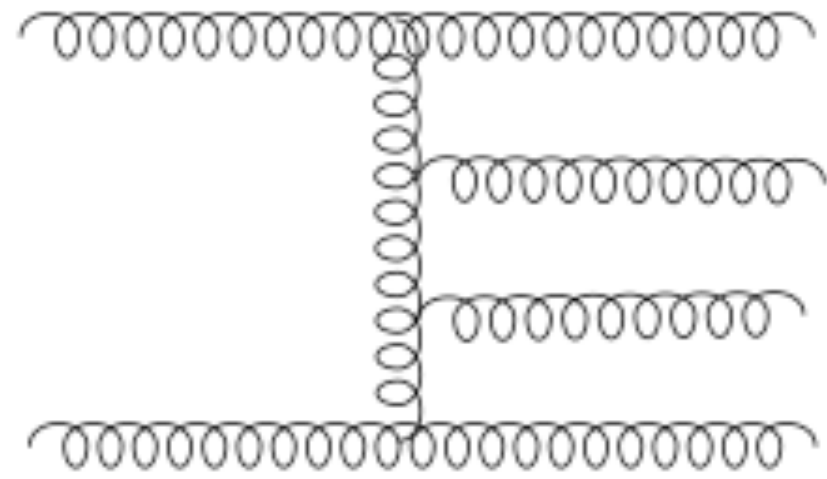


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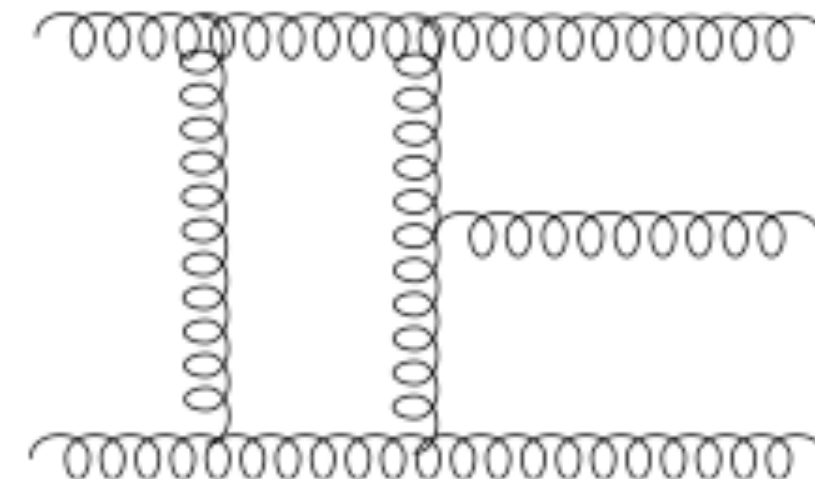


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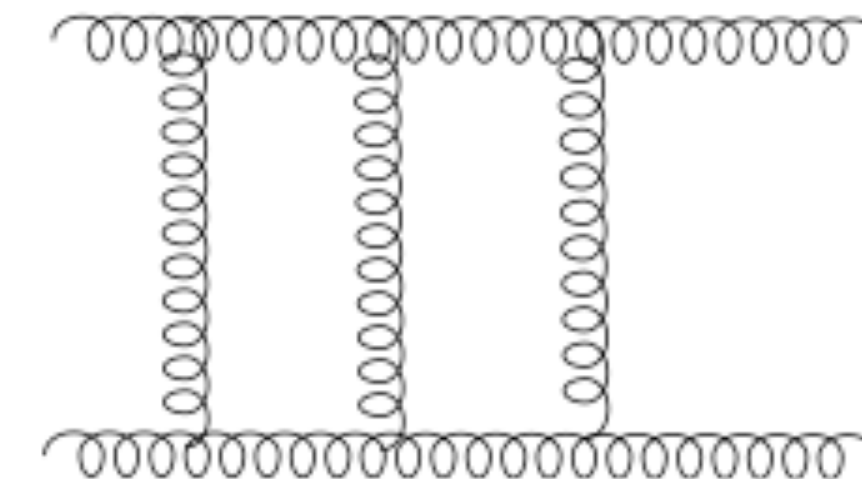
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(multi)-loop integrals

current frontiers:

- NNLO automation
- N3LO coloured

- 2 loops, 4 legs with several mass scales
- 2 loops, 5 legs
- more than 2 loops

Summary

- The universal infrared properties of QCD are important to
 - factorise and cancel/subtract poles in fixed order calculations
 - come up with well-defined observables (e.g. jets, event shapes)
 - derive the evolution of parton densities with energy
 - construct parton showers

The Standard Model is great,
but a lot is still to be discovered

New ideas wanted,
the future is yours!



Appendix

Colour basis for matrix elements

convenient notation for amplitudes with m partons:

[Catani, Seymour '96; Catani, Grazzini '00]

label colour matrices such that it is clear which parton emitted a gluon

introduce abstract basis in colour space $\{|c_1 \dots c_m\rangle\}$ with

$$\mathcal{M}_{c_1 \dots c_m}(p_1, \dots, p_m) \equiv \langle c_1 \dots c_m | \mathcal{M}(p_1, \dots, p_m) \rangle$$

such that $|\mathcal{M}(p_1, \dots, p_m)|^2 = \langle \mathcal{M}(p_1, \dots, p_m) | \mathcal{M}(p_1, \dots, p_m) \rangle$

define **colour charge operator** for emission of a gluon from parton i by

$$\mathbf{T}_i \equiv \langle a | T_i^a \quad \text{such that}$$

$$\langle a_1, \dots, a_i, \dots, a_m, a | \mathbf{T}_i | b_1, \dots, b_i, \dots, b_m \rangle = \delta_{a_1 b_1} \dots T_{a_i b_i}^a \dots \delta_{a_m b_m}$$

Colour basis for matrix elements

$$\langle a_1, \dots, a_i, \dots, a_m, a | \mathbf{T}_i | b_1, \dots, b_i, \dots, b_m \rangle = \delta_{a_1 b_1} \dots T_{a_i b_i}^a \dots \delta_{a_m b_m}$$

if emitting particle is a quark: $T_{a_i b_i}^a \equiv t_{a_i b_i}^a \quad a_i, b_i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$

antiquark: $T_{a_i b_i}^a \equiv -t_{b_i a_i}^a \quad a_i, b_i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$

gluon: $T_{bc}^a \equiv -if_{abc} \quad a, b, c \in \{1, \dots, 8\}$

universal behaviour in the soft limit:

$$\langle a | \mathcal{M}(k, p_1, \dots, p_m) \rangle \rightarrow g_s \mu^\epsilon \varepsilon^\mu(k) J_\mu^a(k) | \mathcal{M}(p_1, \dots, p_m) \rangle$$

$$\mathbf{J}^\mu(k) = \sum_{i=1}^m \mathbf{T}_i \frac{p_i^\mu}{p_i \cdot k} \quad \text{soft gluon current}$$