

PRECISION PREDICTIONS FOR THE LHC

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HUGE COMMUNITY WORKING AT LHC PRECISION PHYSICS

TOO MANY INTERESTING RESULTS TO SUMMARISE IN FEW MINUTES

SO I AM NOT EVEN GOING TO TRY...

Quantum Chromodynamics

Resummation, parton showers, non perturbative corrections, physics of jets...

Production of electroweak vector bosons

DY, di-boson, three-boson production
QCD, EW corrections

Heavy quarks

top, bottom, charm quarks
QCD and EW effects, fragmentation, hadronization....

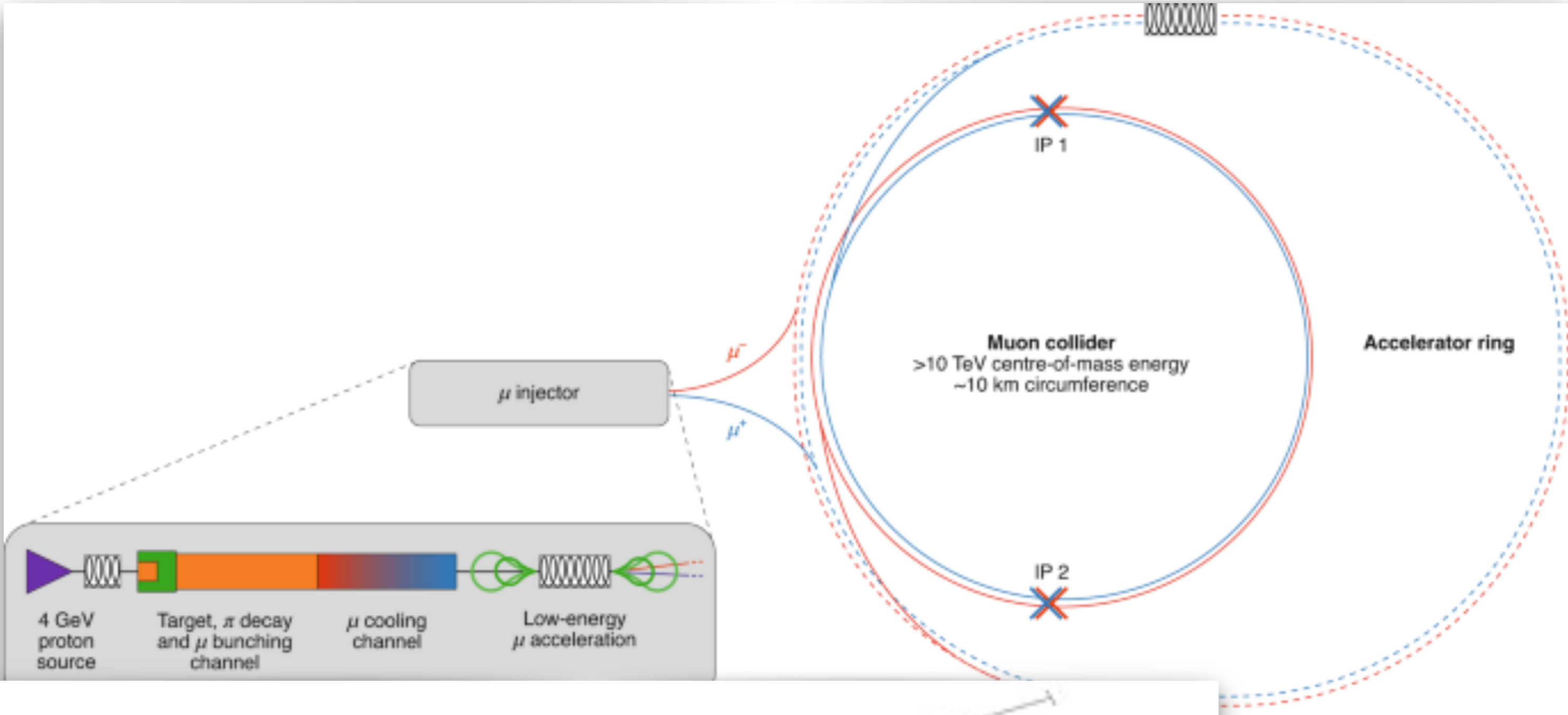
Higgs Physics

Higgs couplings, Higgs potential,
Electroweak symmetry breaking

WHAT CAN I DO IN 25 MINUTES...

1. MOTIVATE WHY WE ARE DOING THIS AND MOST IMPORTANT PHYSICS
2. INTRODUCE THE FRAMEWORK ON WHICH THESE RESULTS ARE BASED
3. GIVE YOU AN IDEA OF THE STATE-OF-THE-ART
4. STRESS THE LIMITATIONS WE STILL NEED TO OVERCOME
5. ... AND CONVEY SOME EXCITEMENT FOR THIS FIELD... :)

HIGHER AND HIGHER PRECISION AT THE LHC (AND BEYOND)...



Future Circular Collider

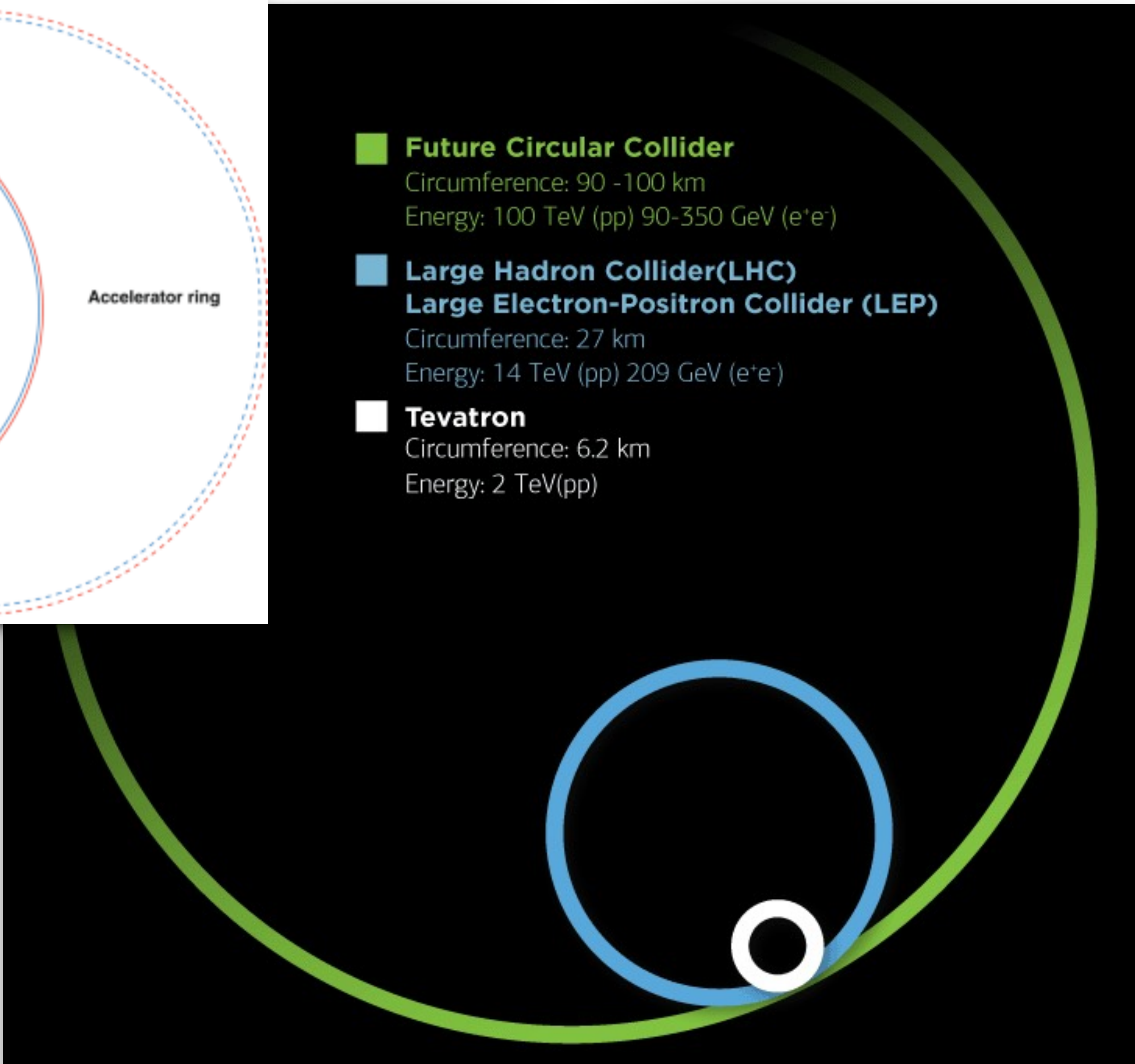
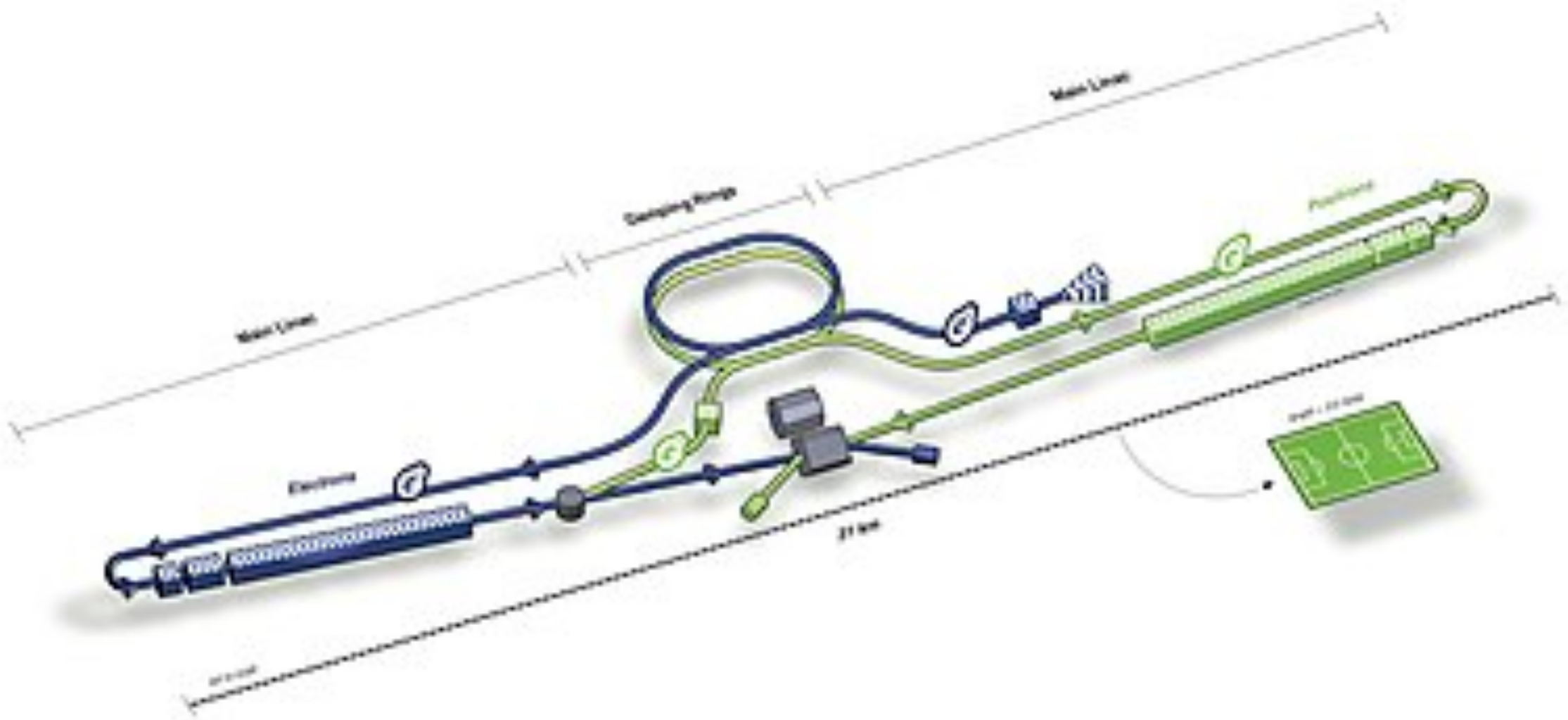
Circumference: 90 -100 km
 Energy: 100 TeV (pp) 90-350 GeV (e^+e^-)

**Large Hadron Collider(LHC)
 Large Electron-Positron Collider (LEP)**

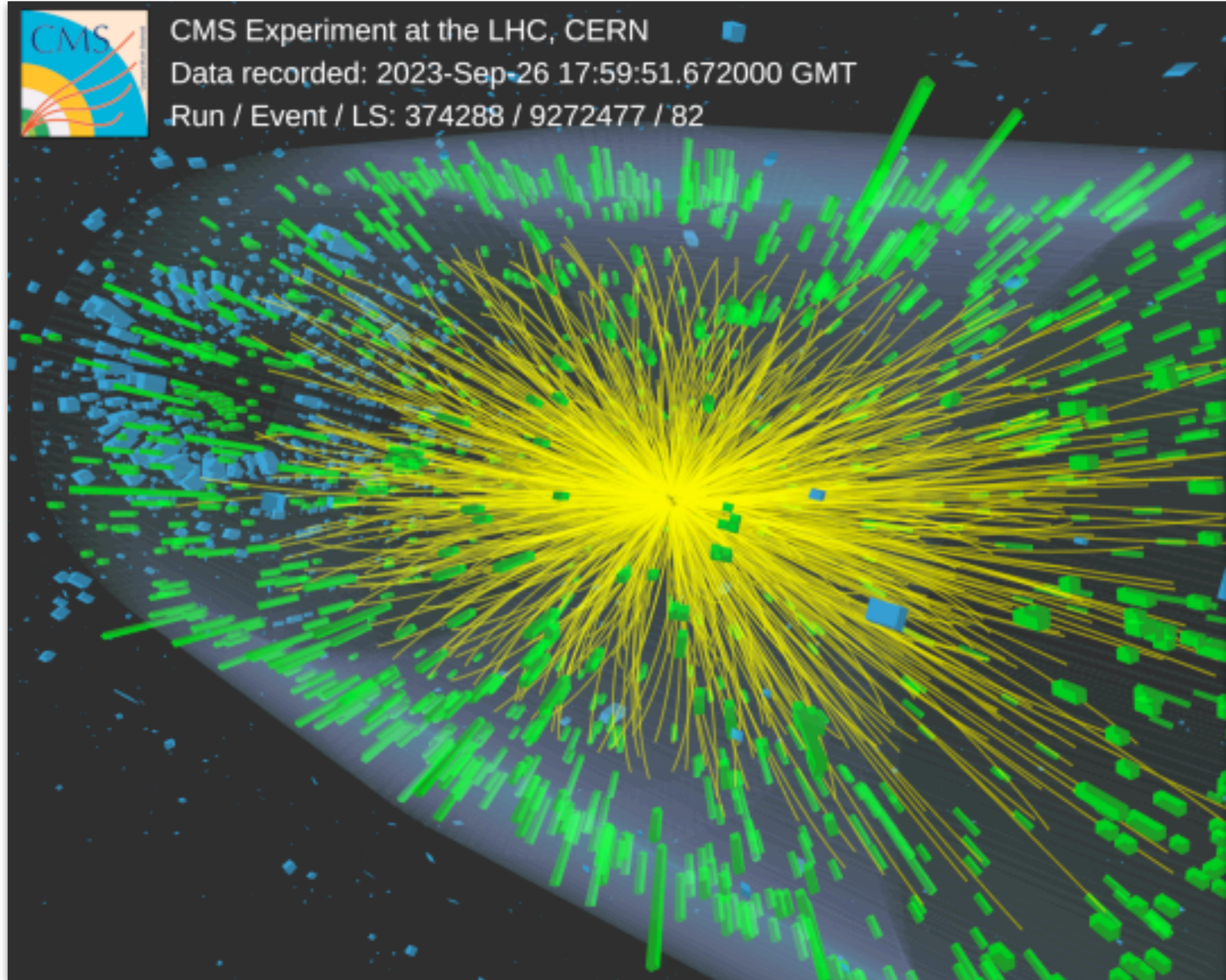
Circumference: 27 km
 Energy: 14 TeV (pp) 209 GeV (e^+e^-)

Tevatron

Circumference: 6.2 km
 Energy: 2 TeV(pp)



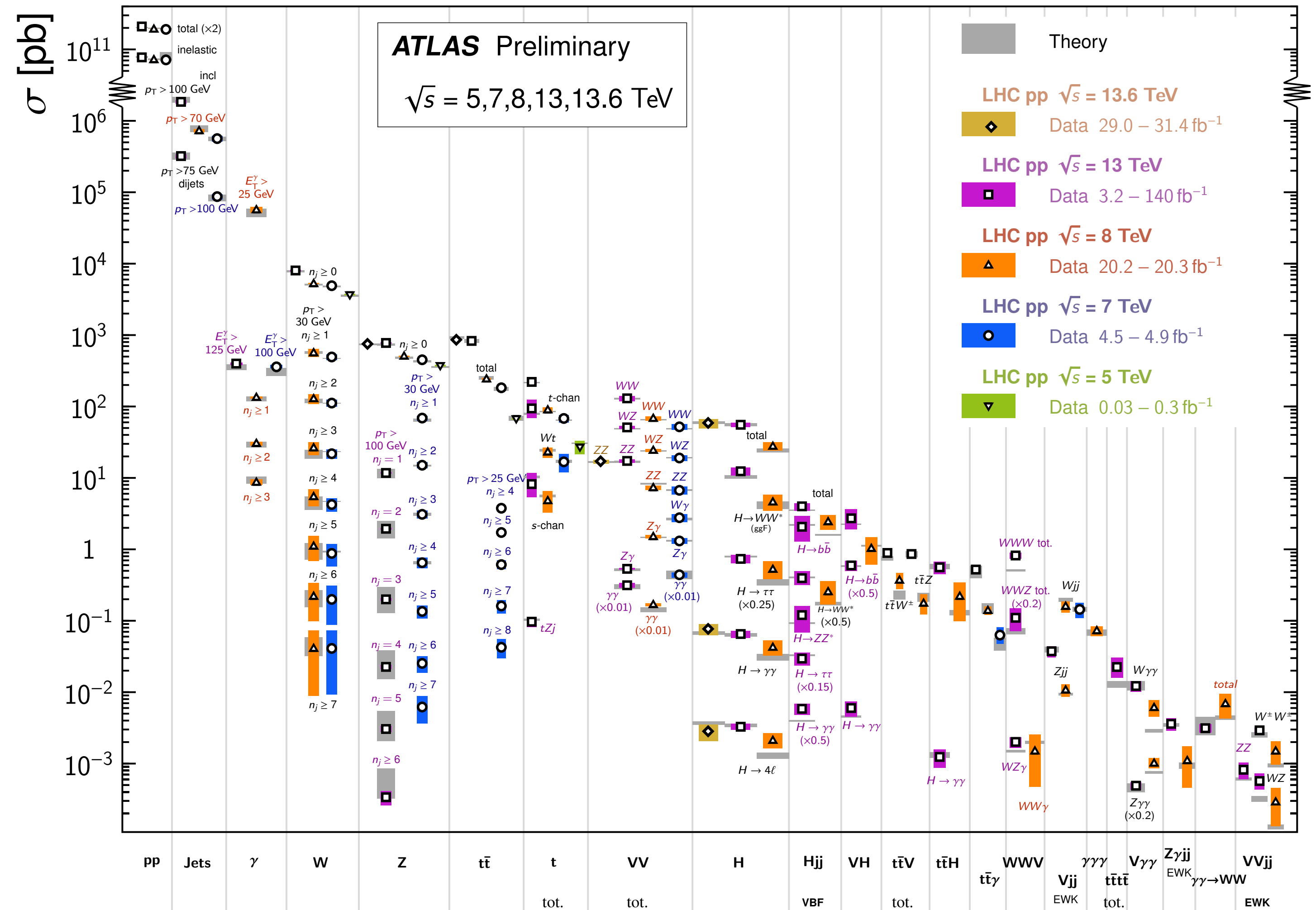
THE LHC HAS BECOME A PRECISION MACHINE



After its discovery in 2012, a lot (but not only) revolving around **Higgs boson's properties**

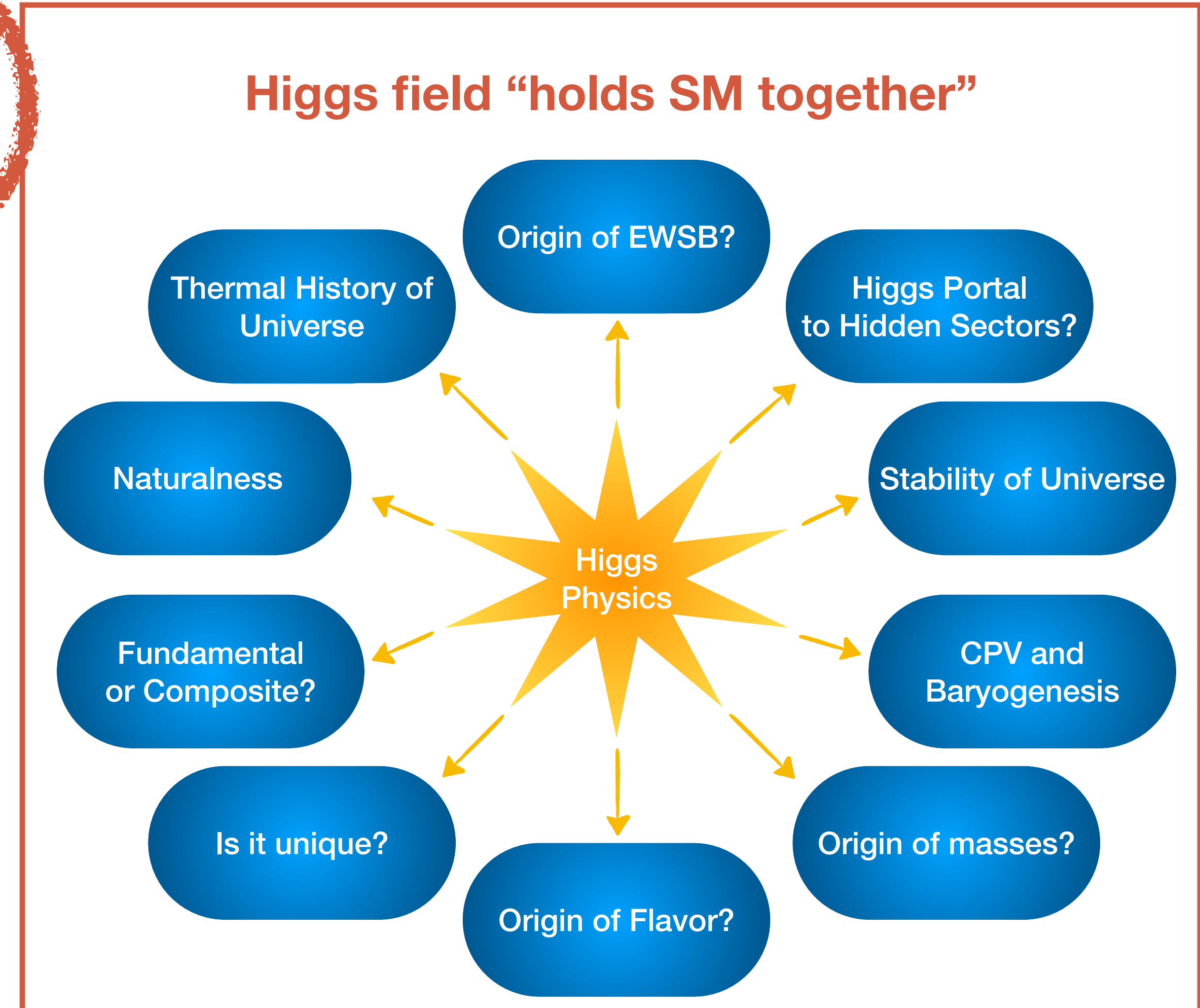
Standard Model Production Cross Section Measurements

Status: October 2023



THE HIGGS BOSON: THE LAST MISSING PIECE

	<p>mass → $\approx 2.3 \text{ MeV}/c^2$</p> <p>charge → $2/3$</p> <p>spin → $1/2$</p> <p>u</p> <p>up</p>	<p>mass → $\approx 1.275 \text{ GeV}/c^2$</p> <p>charge → $2/3$</p> <p>spin → $1/2$</p> <p>c</p> <p>charm</p>	<p>mass → $\approx 173.07 \text{ GeV}/c^2$</p> <p>charge → $2/3$</p> <p>spin → $1/2$</p> <p>t</p> <p>top</p>	<p>mass → 0</p> <p>charge → 0</p> <p>spin → 1</p> <p>g</p> <p>gluon</p>	<p>mass → $\approx 125 \text{ GeV}/c^2$</p> <p>charge → 0</p> <p>spin → 0</p> <p>H</p> <p>Higgs boson</p>	
QUARKS	<p>mass → $\approx 4.8 \text{ MeV}/c^2$</p> <p>charge → $-1/3$</p> <p>spin → $1/2$</p> <p>d</p> <p>down</p>	<p>mass → $\approx 95 \text{ MeV}/c^2$</p> <p>charge → $-1/3$</p> <p>spin → $1/2$</p> <p>s</p> <p>strange</p>	<p>mass → $\approx 4.18 \text{ GeV}/c^2$</p> <p>charge → $-1/3$</p> <p>spin → $1/2$</p> <p>b</p> <p>bottom</p>	<p>mass → 0</p> <p>charge → 0</p> <p>spin → 1</p> <p>γ</p> <p>photon</p>		
	<p>mass → $0.511 \text{ MeV}/c^2$</p> <p>charge → -1</p> <p>spin → $1/2$</p> <p>e</p> <p>electron</p>	<p>mass → $105.7 \text{ MeV}/c^2$</p> <p>charge → -1</p> <p>spin → $1/2$</p> <p>μ</p> <p>muon</p>	<p>mass → $1.777 \text{ GeV}/c^2$</p> <p>charge → -1</p> <p>spin → $1/2$</p> <p>τ</p> <p>tau</p>	<p>mass → $91.2 \text{ GeV}/c^2$</p> <p>charge → 0</p> <p>spin → 1</p> <p>Z</p> <p>Z boson</p>	GAUGE BOSONS	
	<p>mass → $< 2.2 \text{ eV}/c^2$</p> <p>charge → 0</p> <p>spin → $1/2$</p> <p>ν_e</p> <p>electron neutrino</p>	<p>mass → $< 0.17 \text{ MeV}/c^2$</p> <p>charge → 0</p> <p>spin → $1/2$</p> <p>ν_μ</p> <p>muon neutrino</p>	<p>mass → $< 15.5 \text{ MeV}/c^2$</p> <p>charge → 0</p> <p>spin → $1/2$</p> <p>ν_τ</p> <p>tau neutrino</p>	<p>mass → $80.4 \text{ GeV}/c^2$</p> <p>charge → ± 1</p> <p>spin → 1</p> <p>W</p> <p>W boson</p>		



HIGGS INTERACTIONS AT THE LHC

Hints to answer these questions hidden in the **details of Higgs interactions to SM particles**

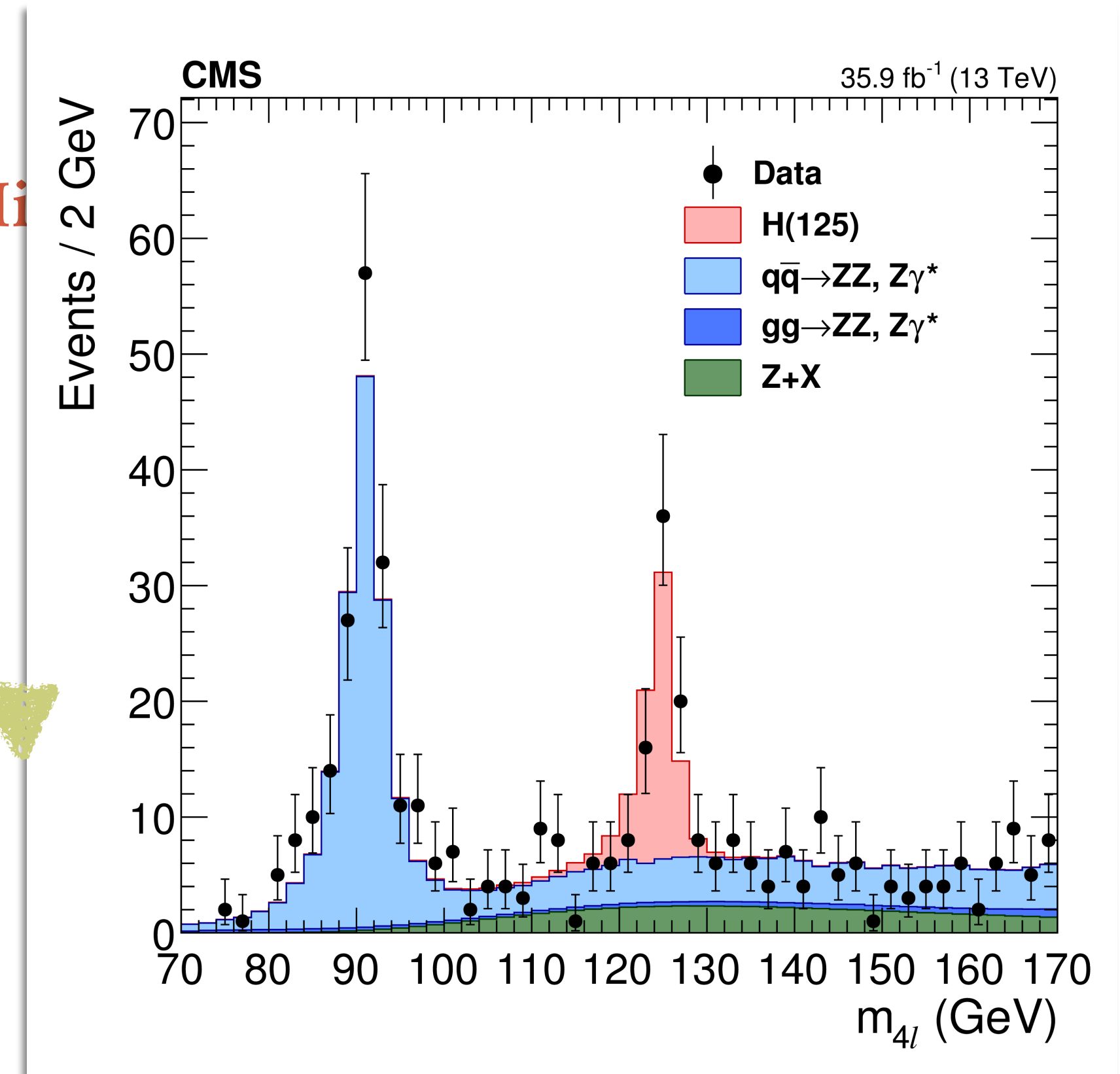
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LHC has opened a window for us to peak at Higgs' interactions for the first time !

HIGGS INTERACTIONS AT THE LHC

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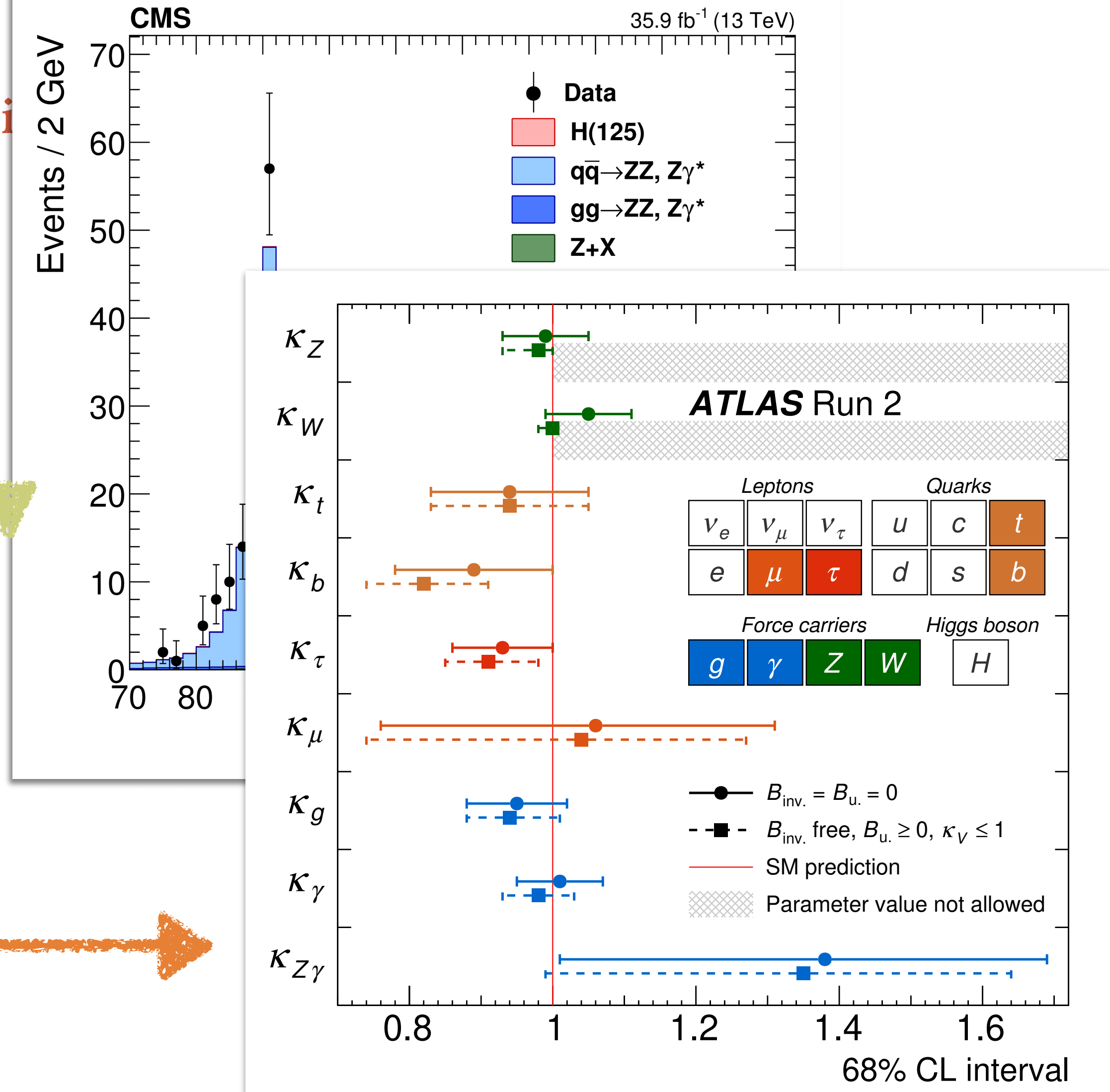
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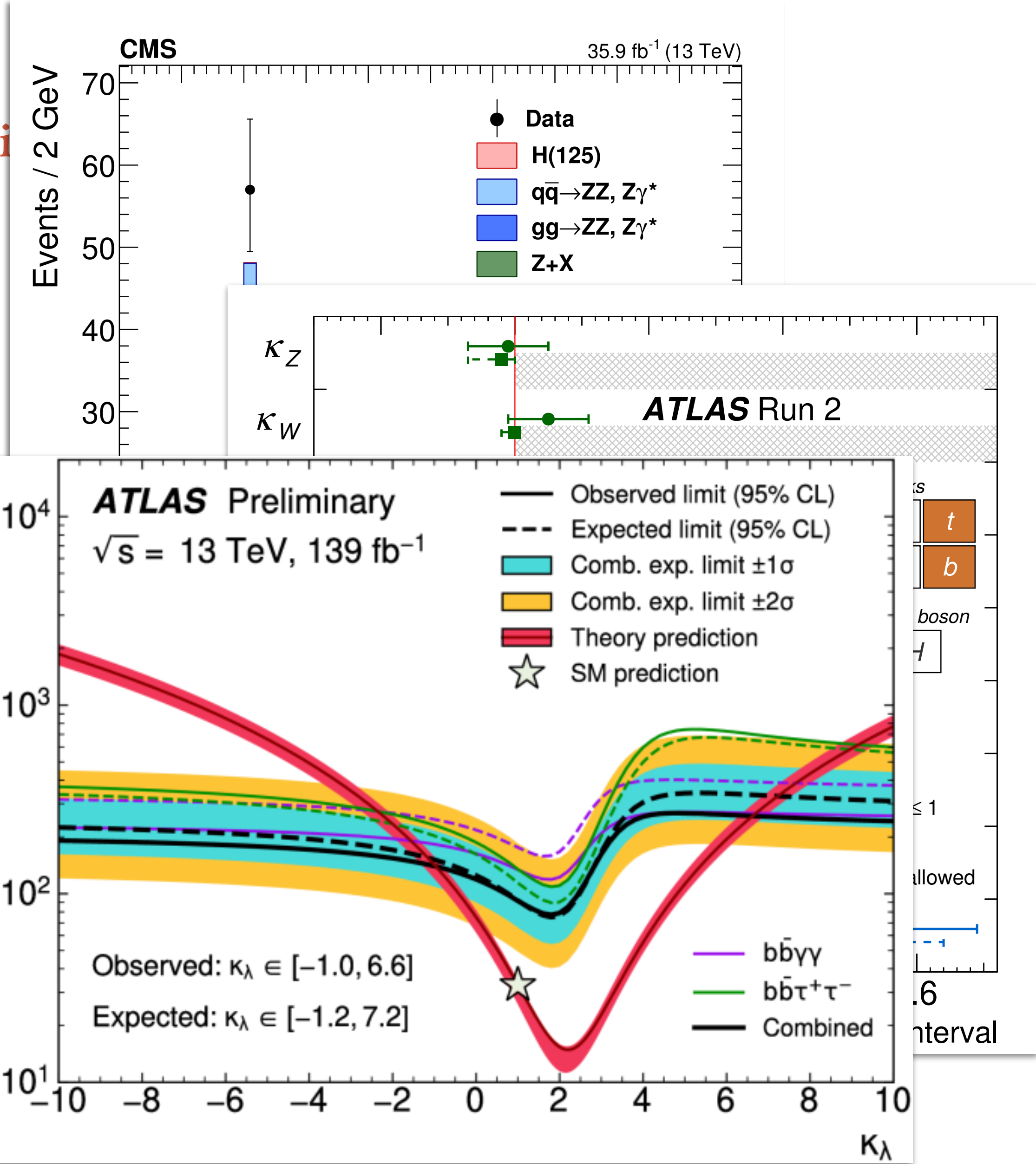
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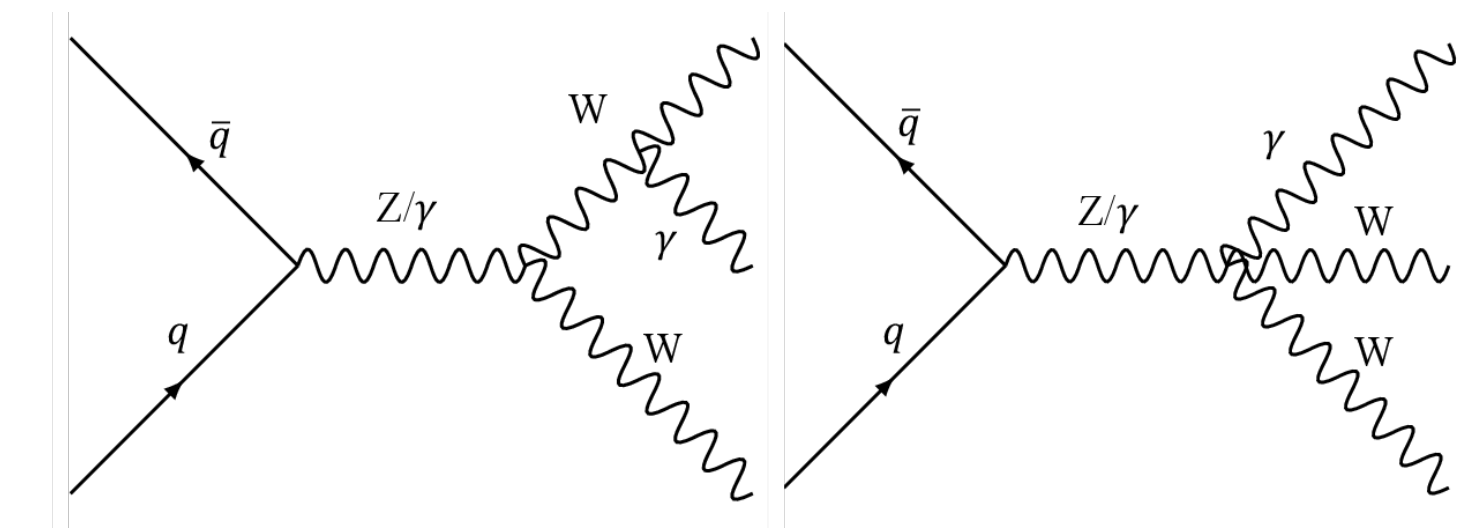
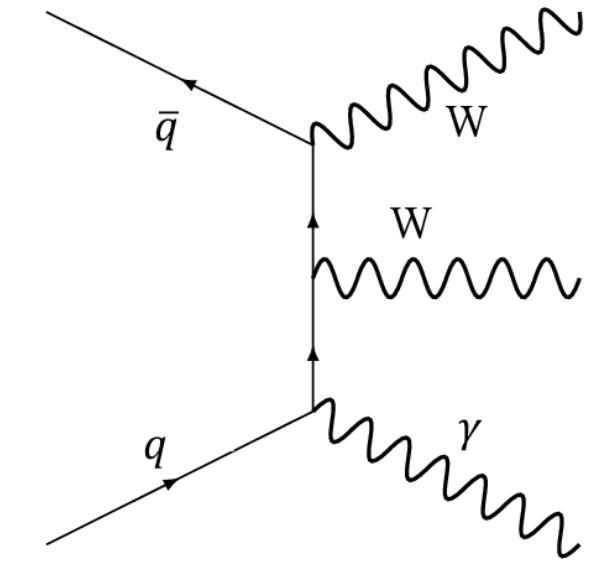
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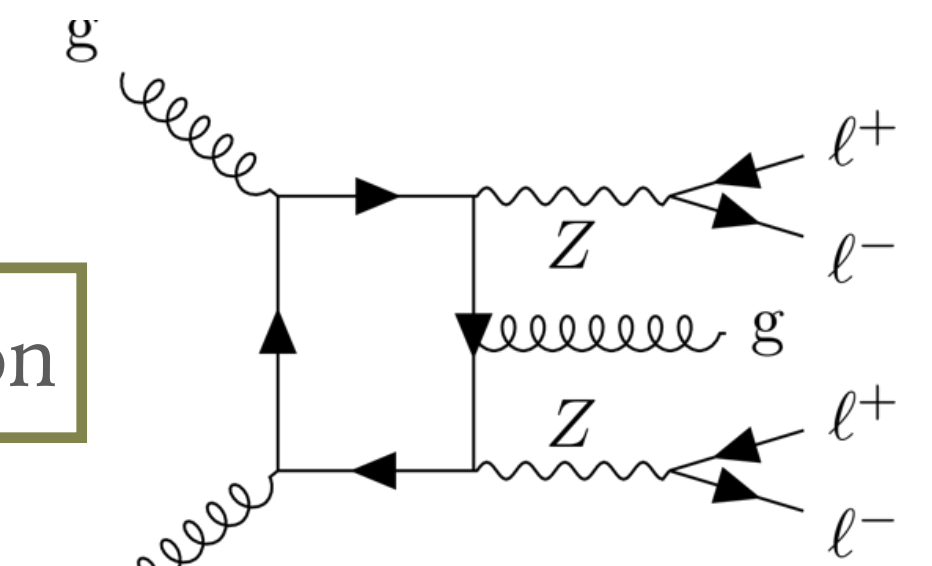
PROBING THE GAUGE SECTOR

Multiboson final states as probe of electroweak sector of SM

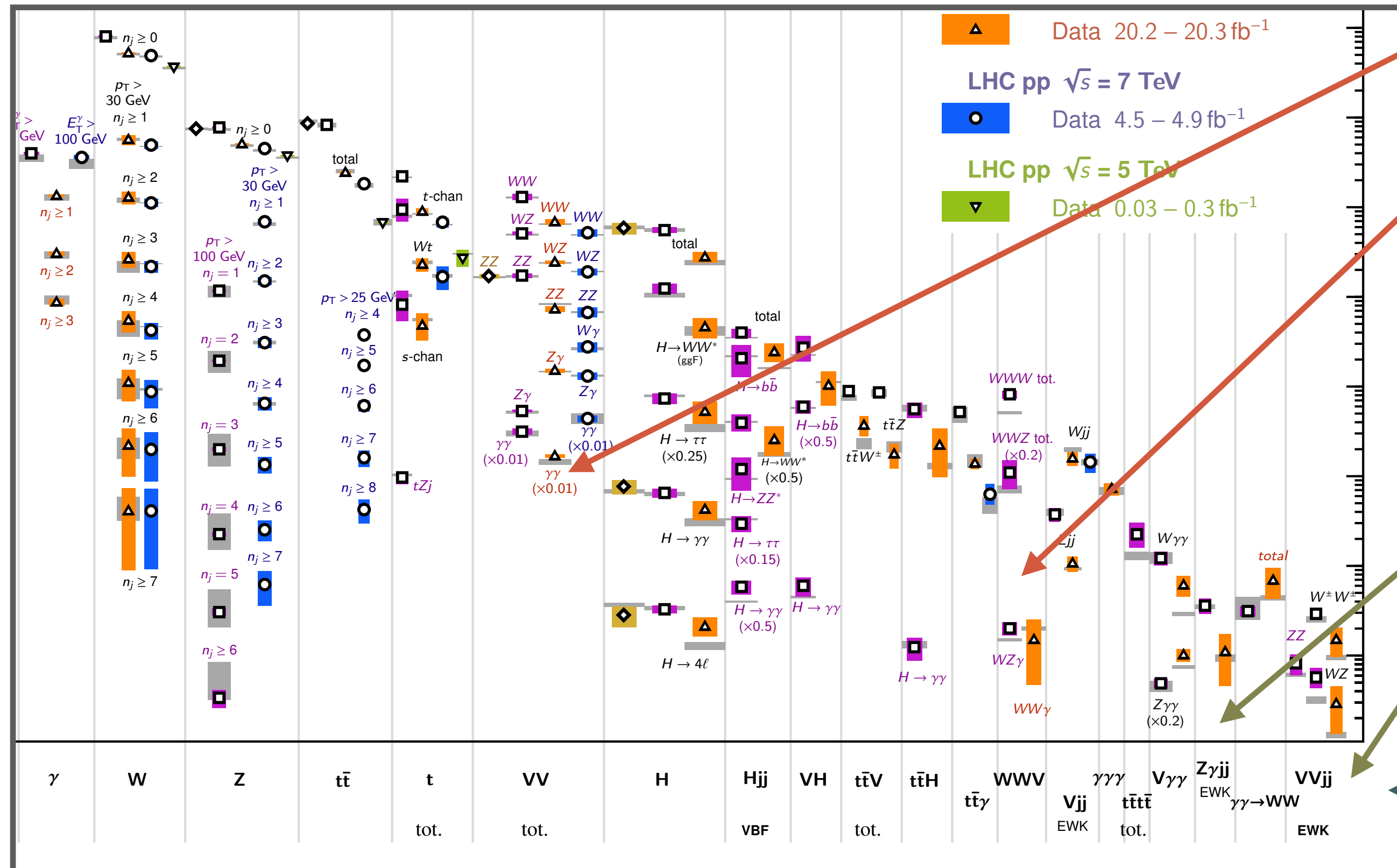
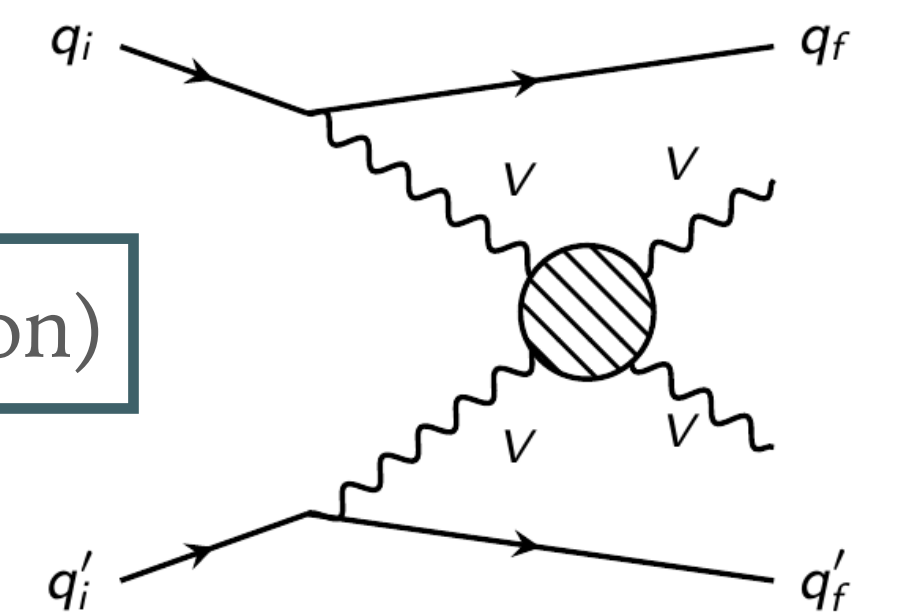
VV & VVV production



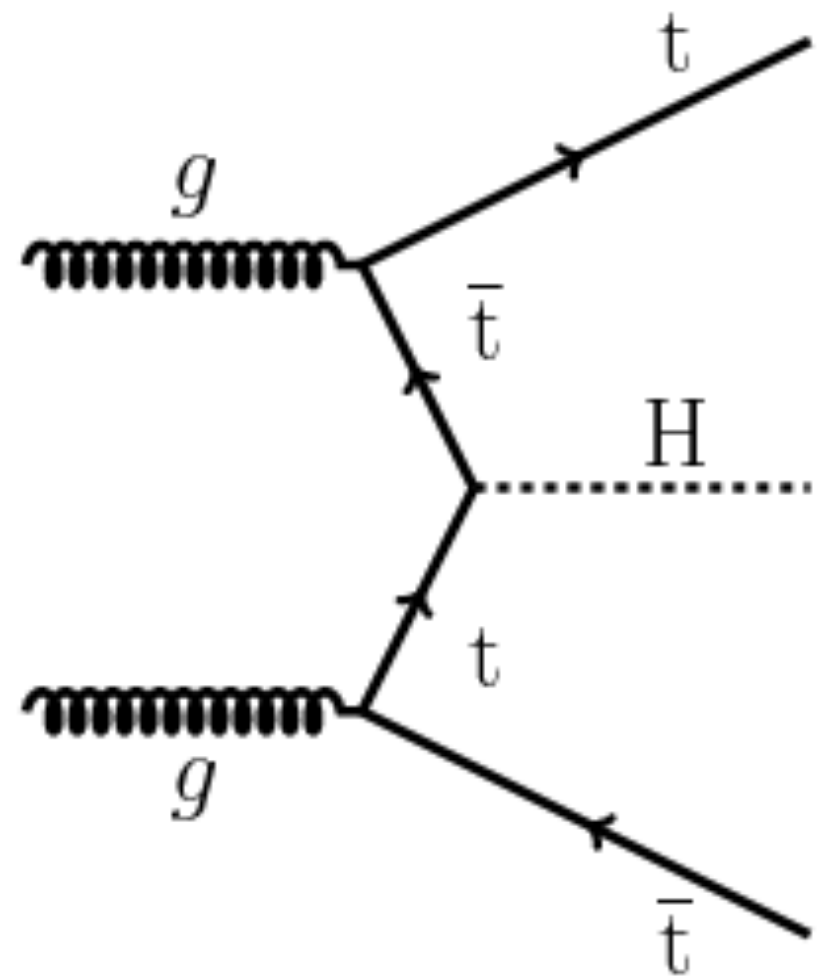
V & VV + jets production



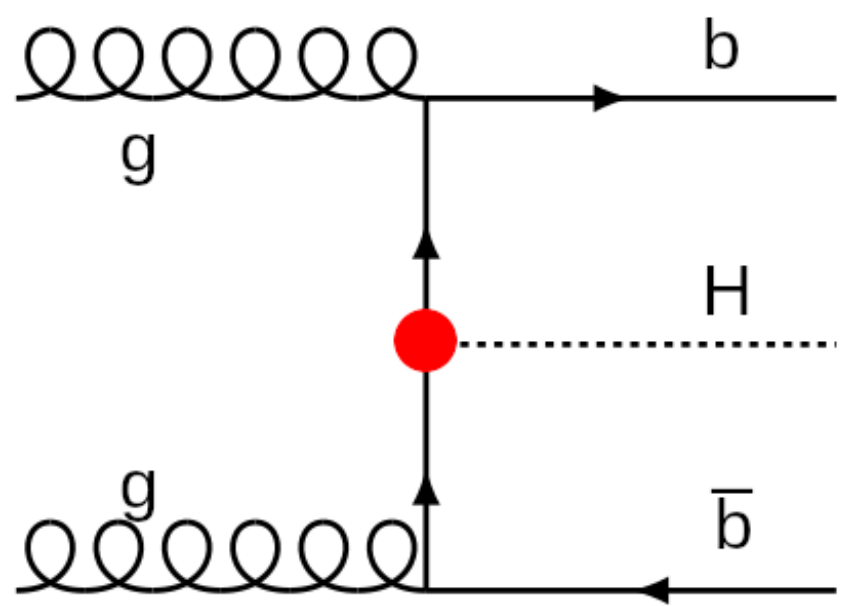
VBF (vector boson fusion)



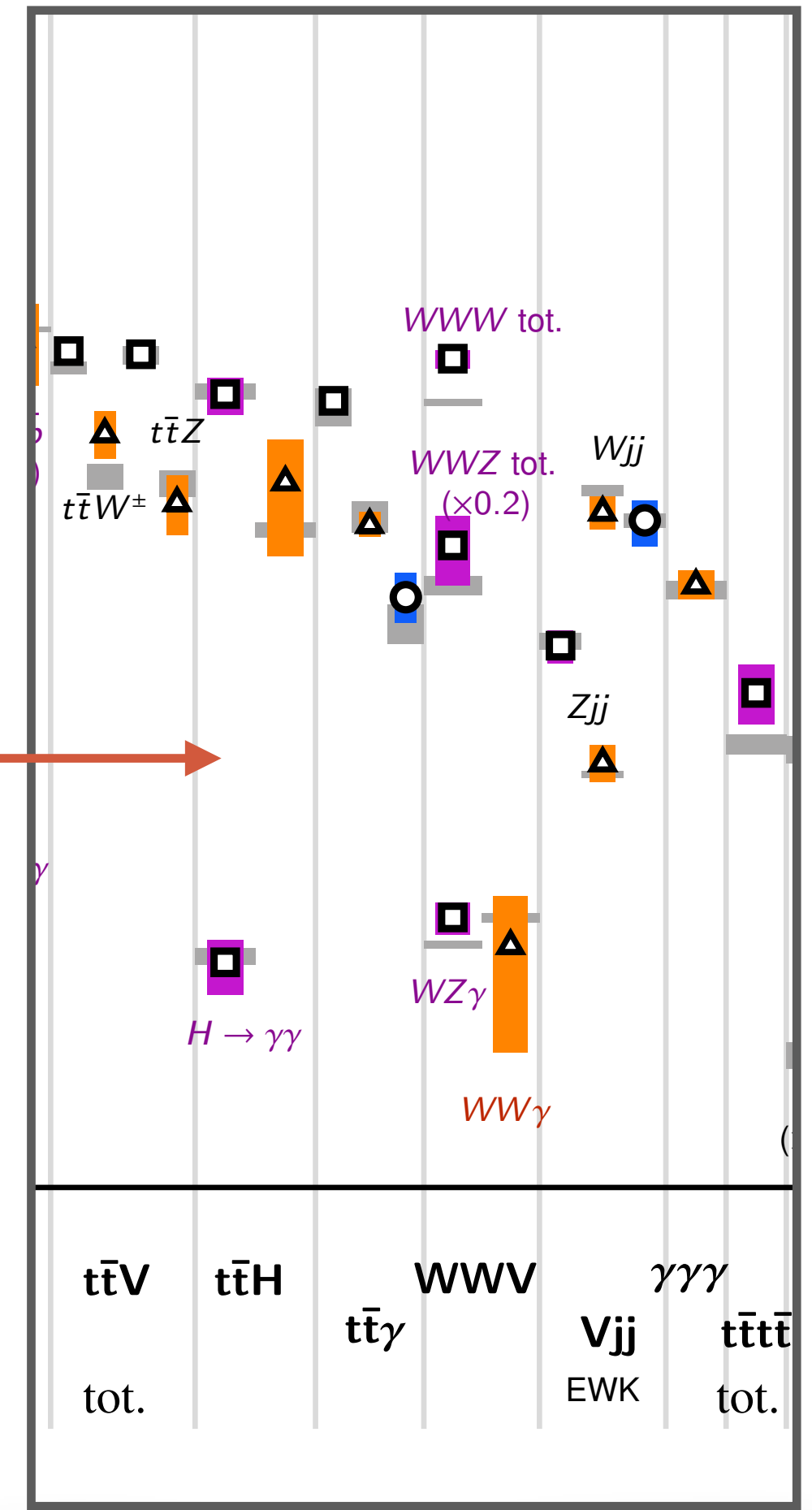
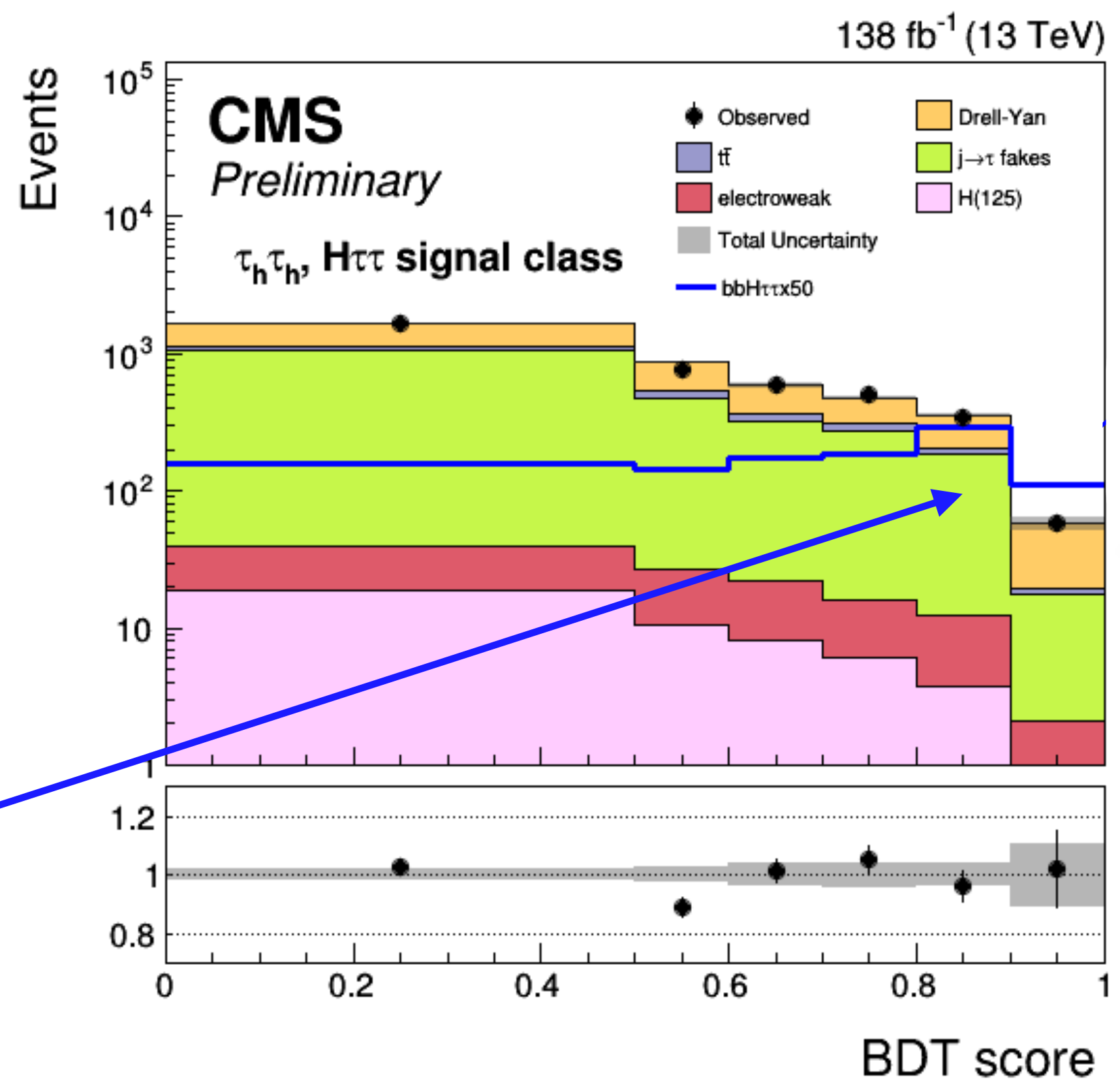
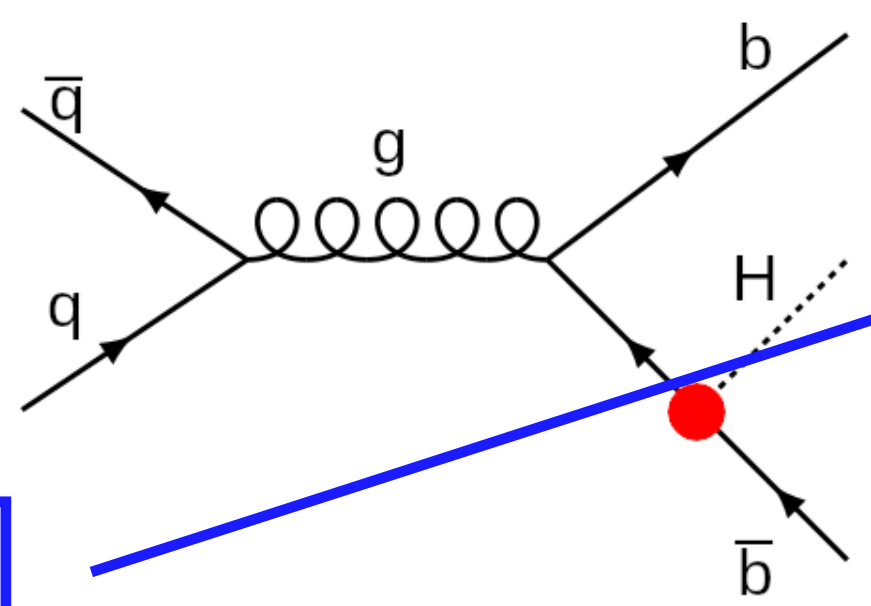
PROBING THE YUKAWA SECTOR



$t\bar{t}H$ production

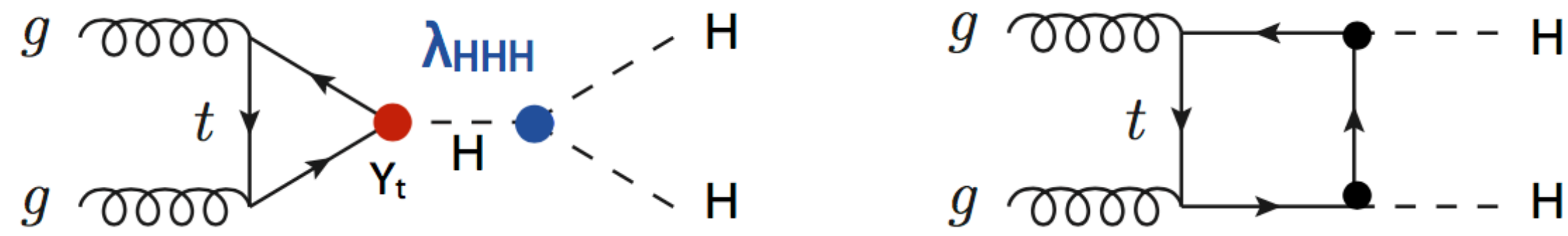


$b\bar{b}H$ production

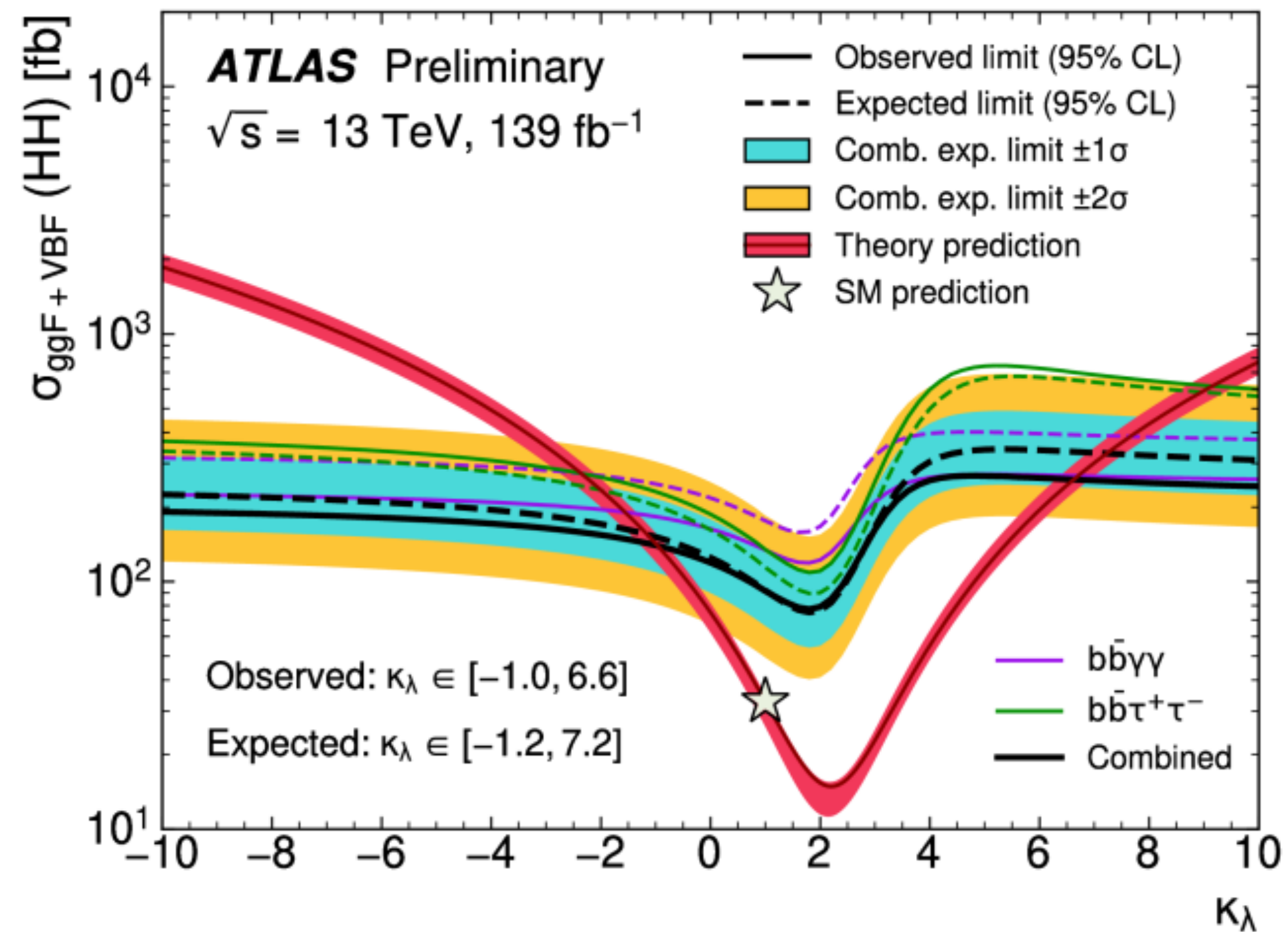


PROBING H SELF INTERACTION THE CHALLENGES AHEAD

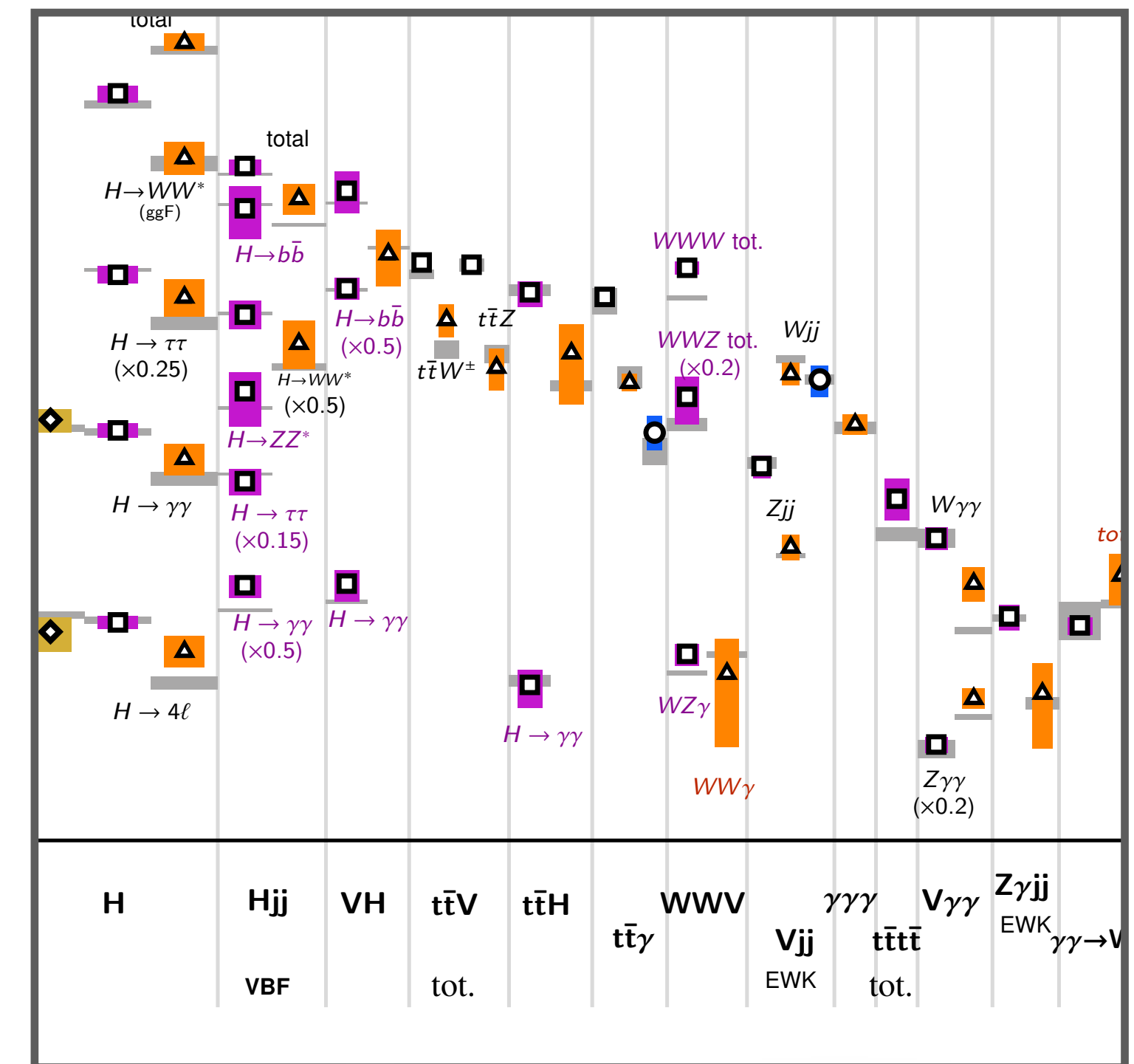
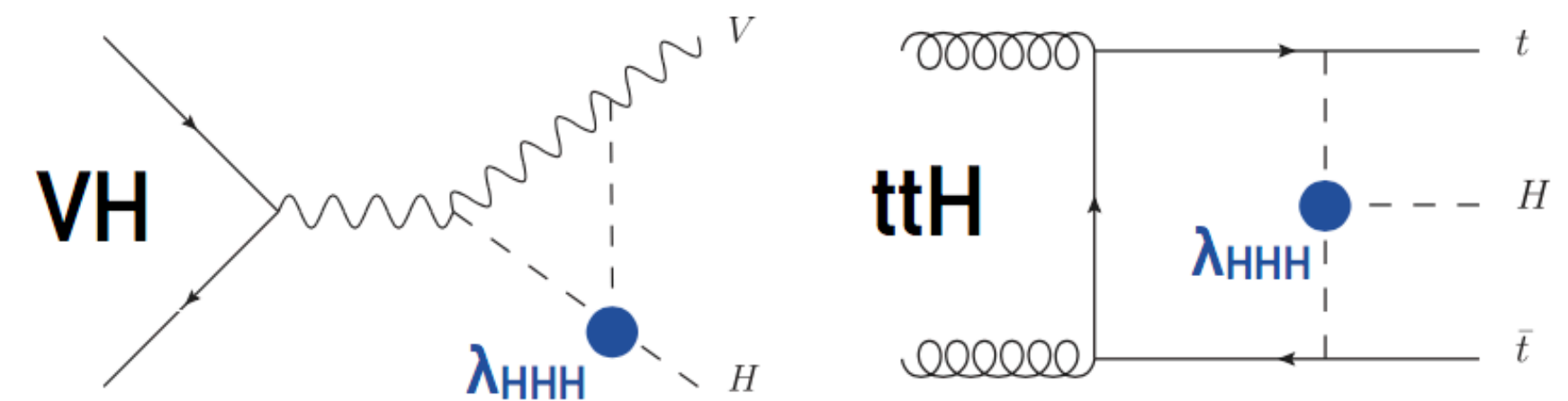
Direct sensitivity in HH production: Progress, but extremely hard to measure even at (HL-)LHC



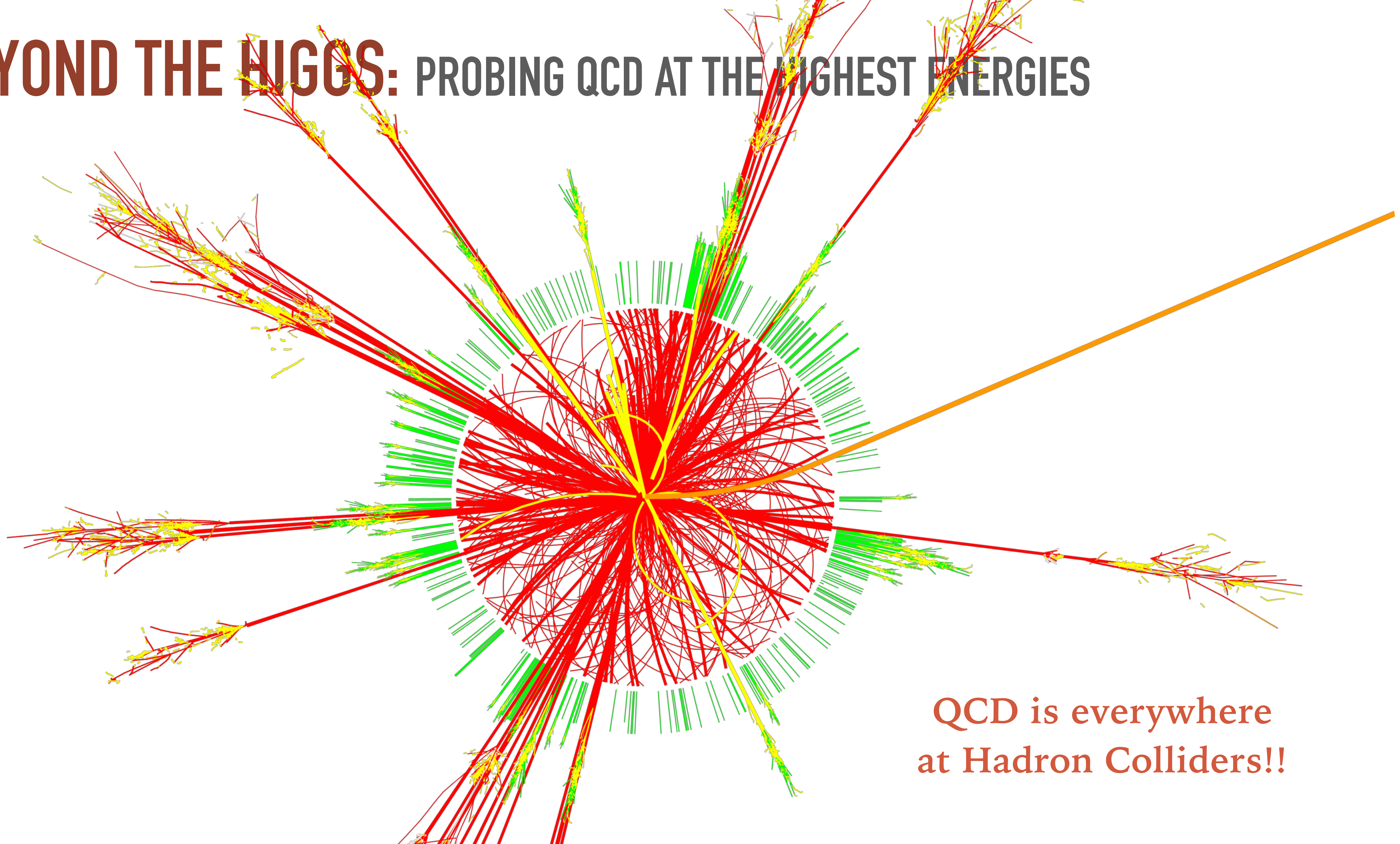
$$b\bar{b}\tau\tau + b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma + b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$$



Indirect sensitivity through precision studies!

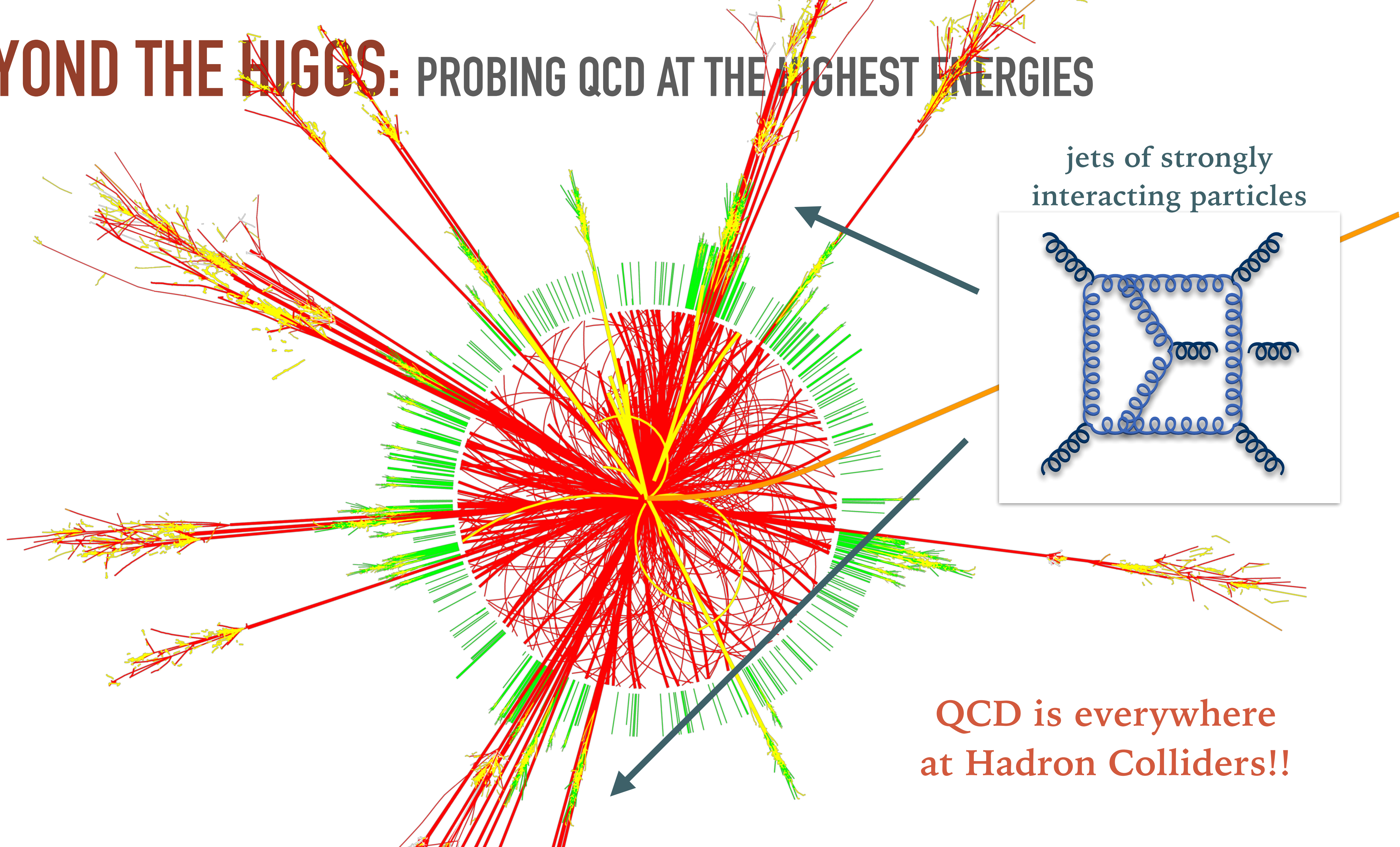


BEYOND THE HIGGS: PROBING QCD AT THE HIGHEST ENERGIES

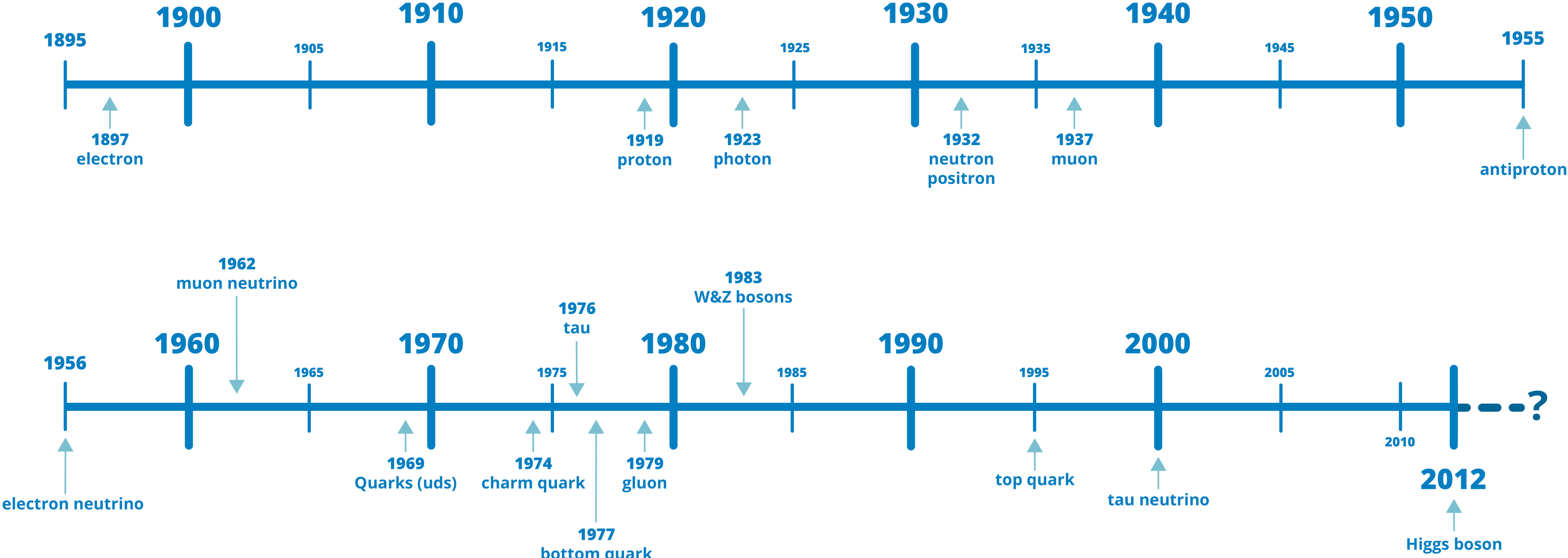


QCD is everywhere
at Hadron Colliders!!

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PLENTY OF POTENTIAL FOR “DISCOVERY” AHEAD

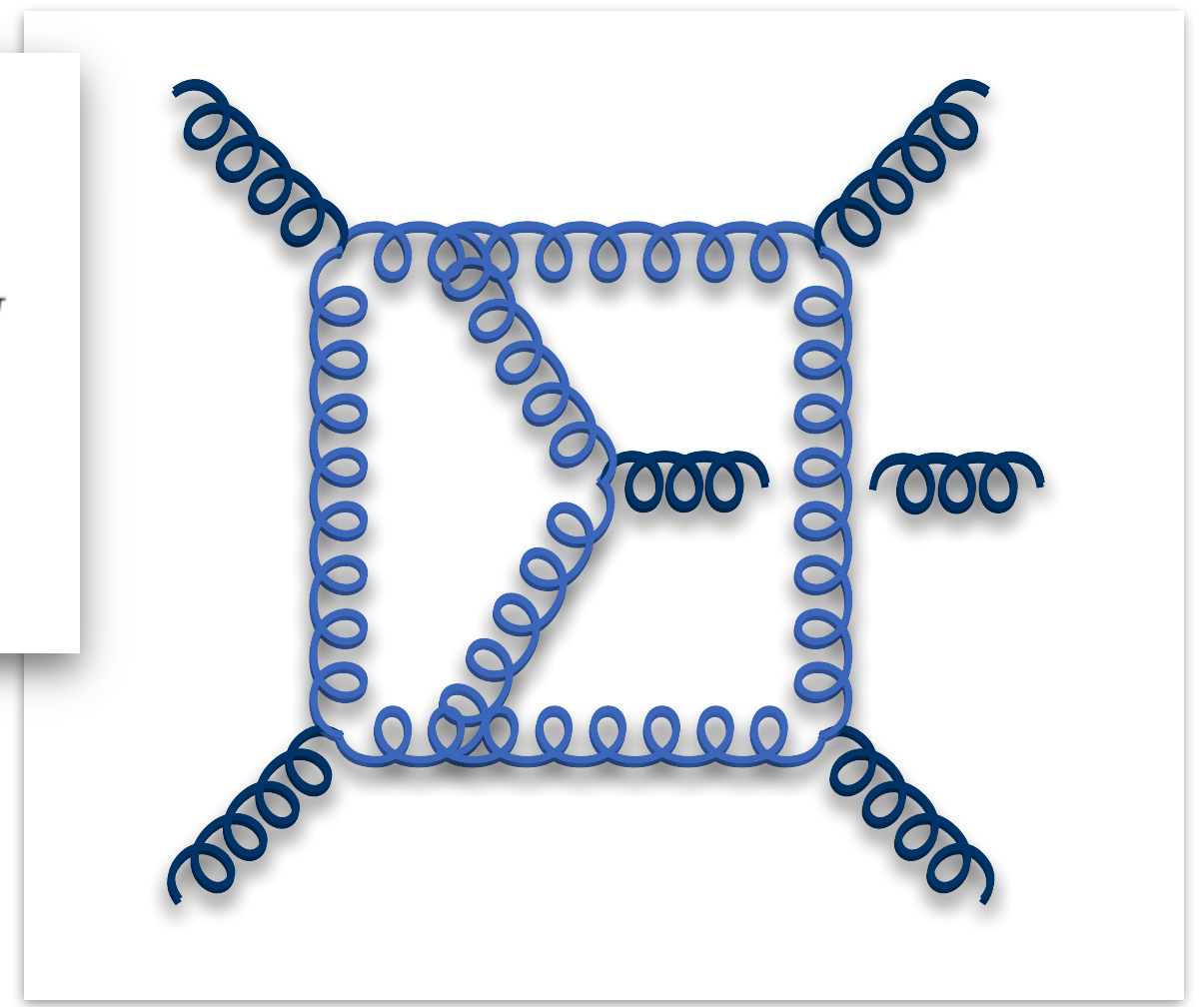
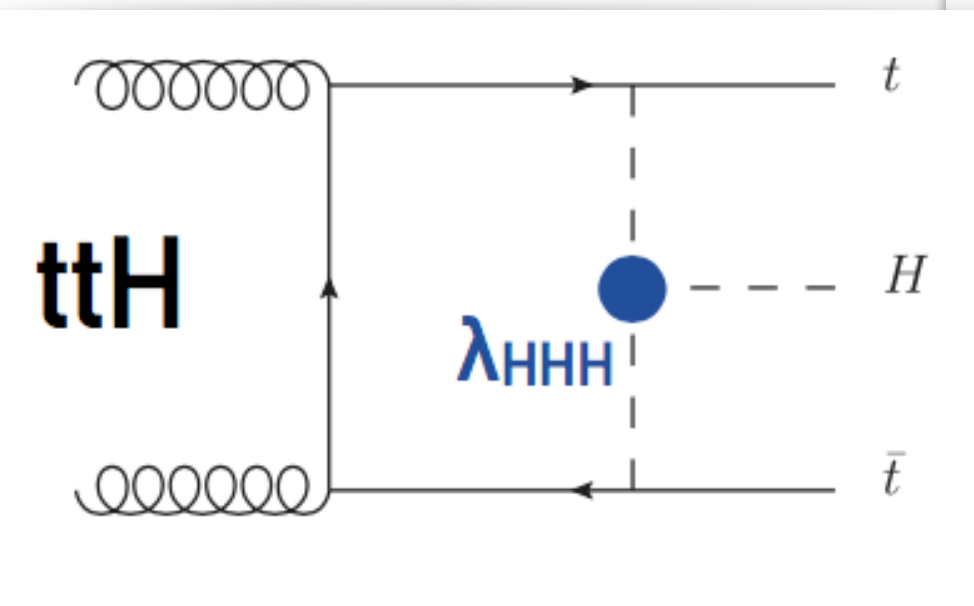
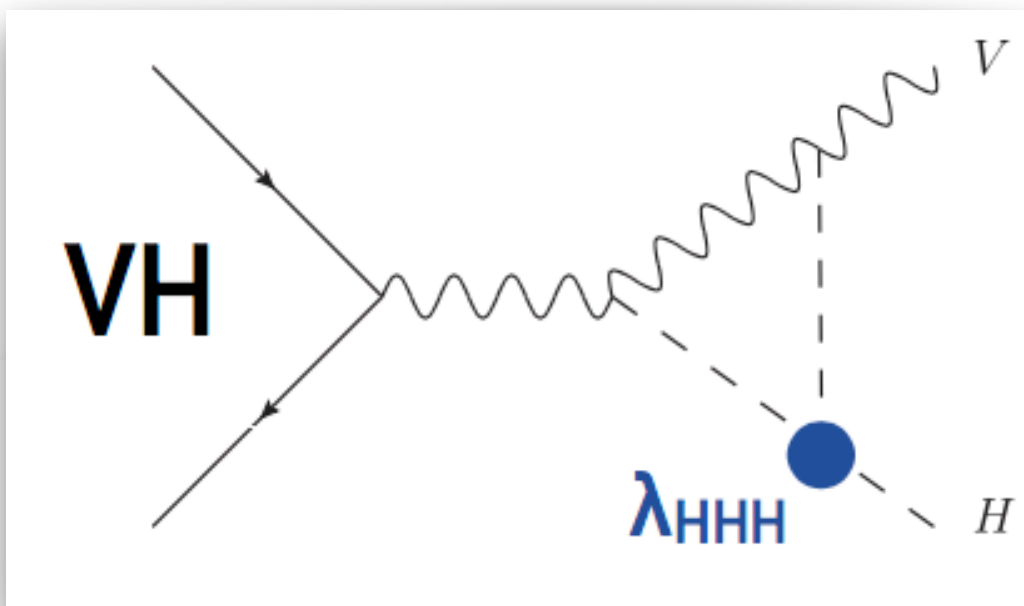
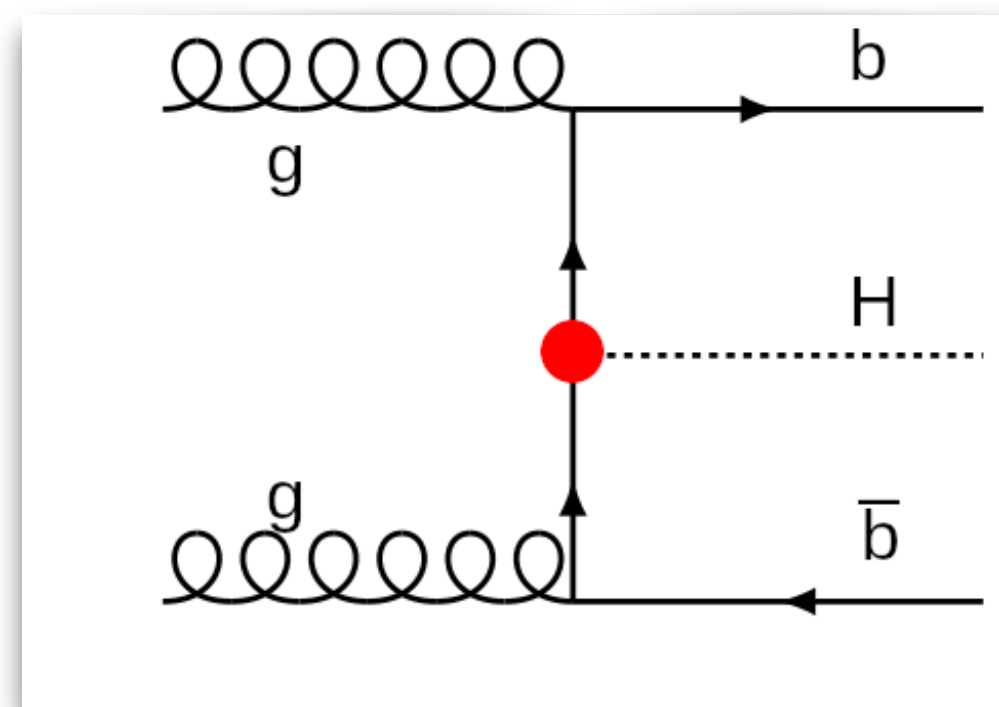
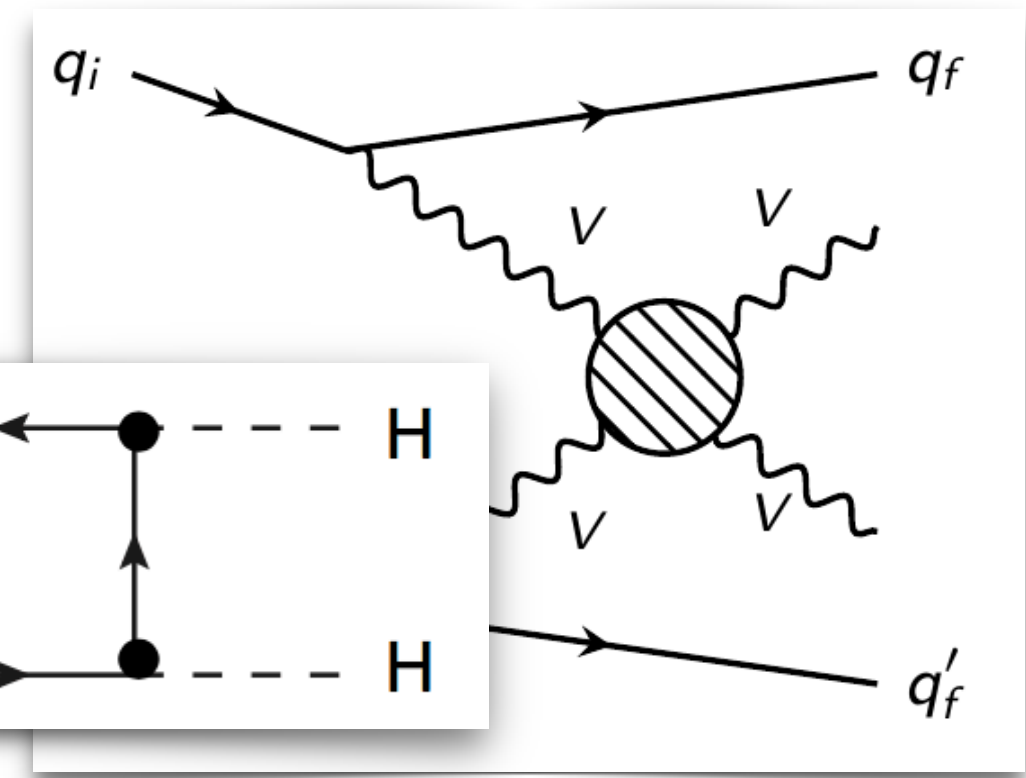
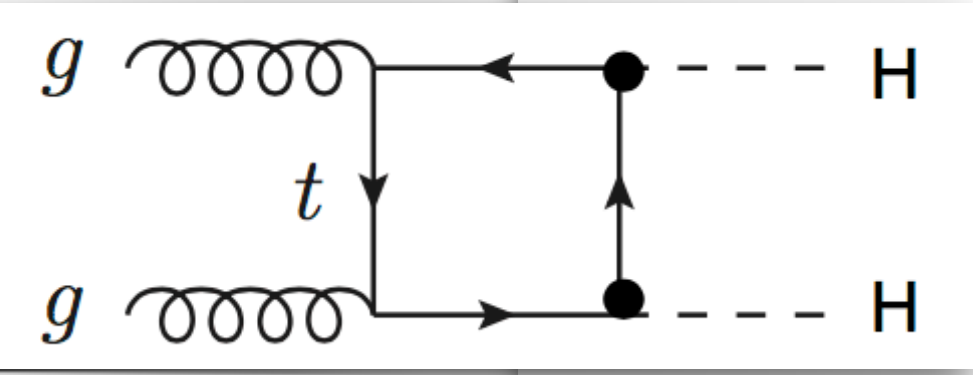
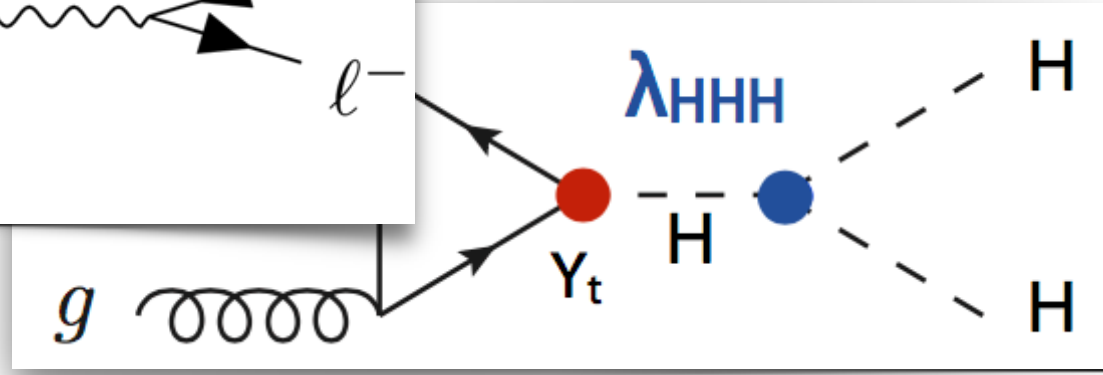
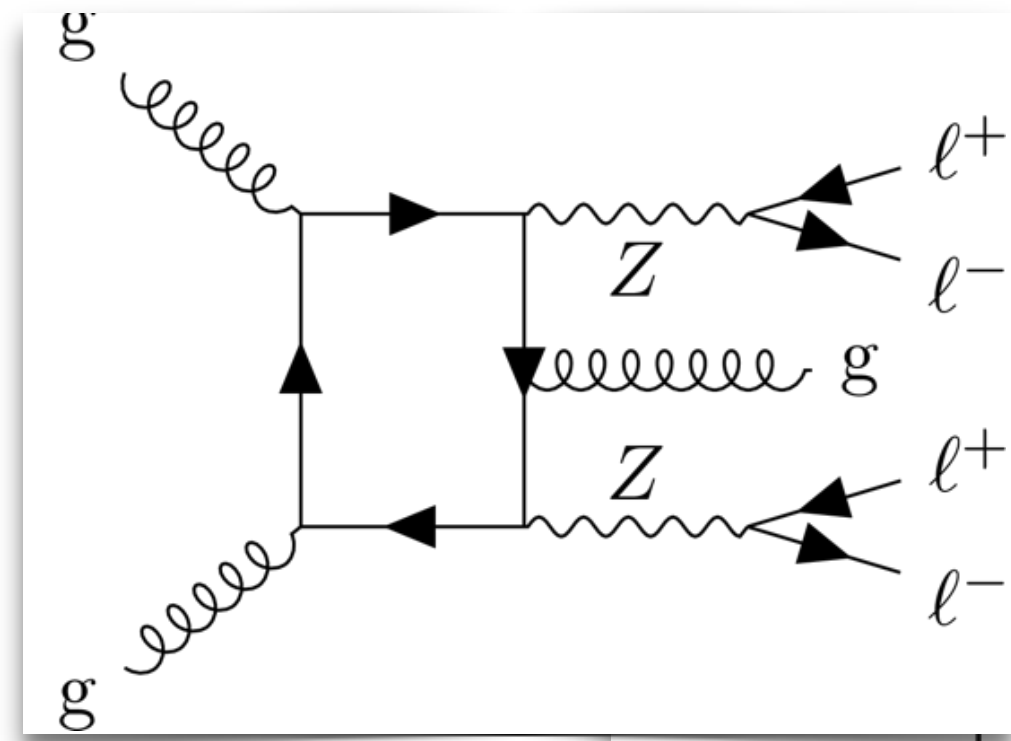
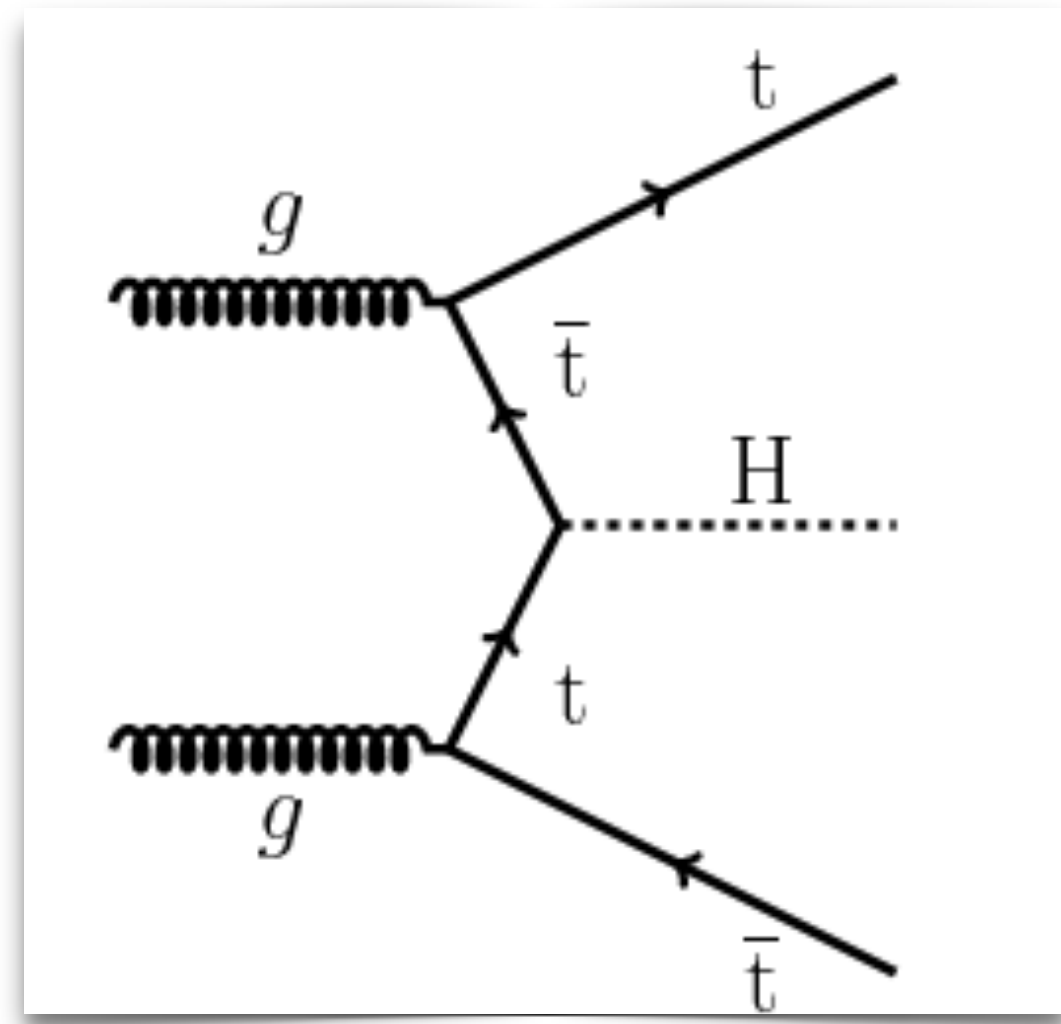


For the first time in decades, we might not expect new particles ahead...

Still, thanks to % precision physics program at colliders, we have the chance to investigate these “new interactions”, and **scrutinize quantum field theory to the highest precisions**

PRECISION STUDIES “OPPORTUNITIES” ALL OVER

Rule of thumb: 1 more loop \sim 1 more leg

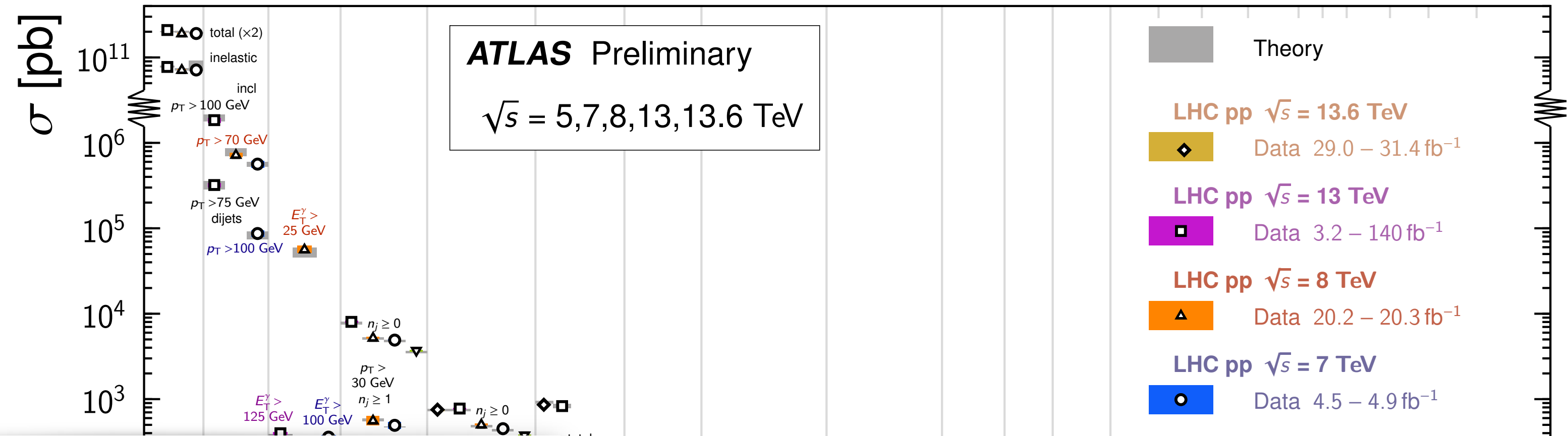
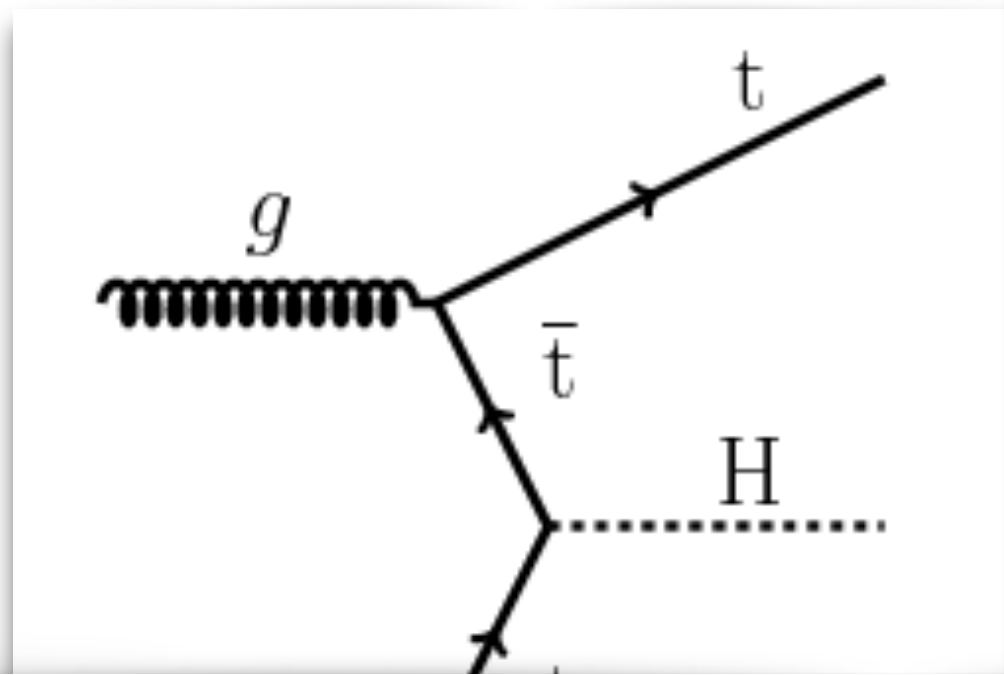


complexity scales very badly with number of masses and external legs

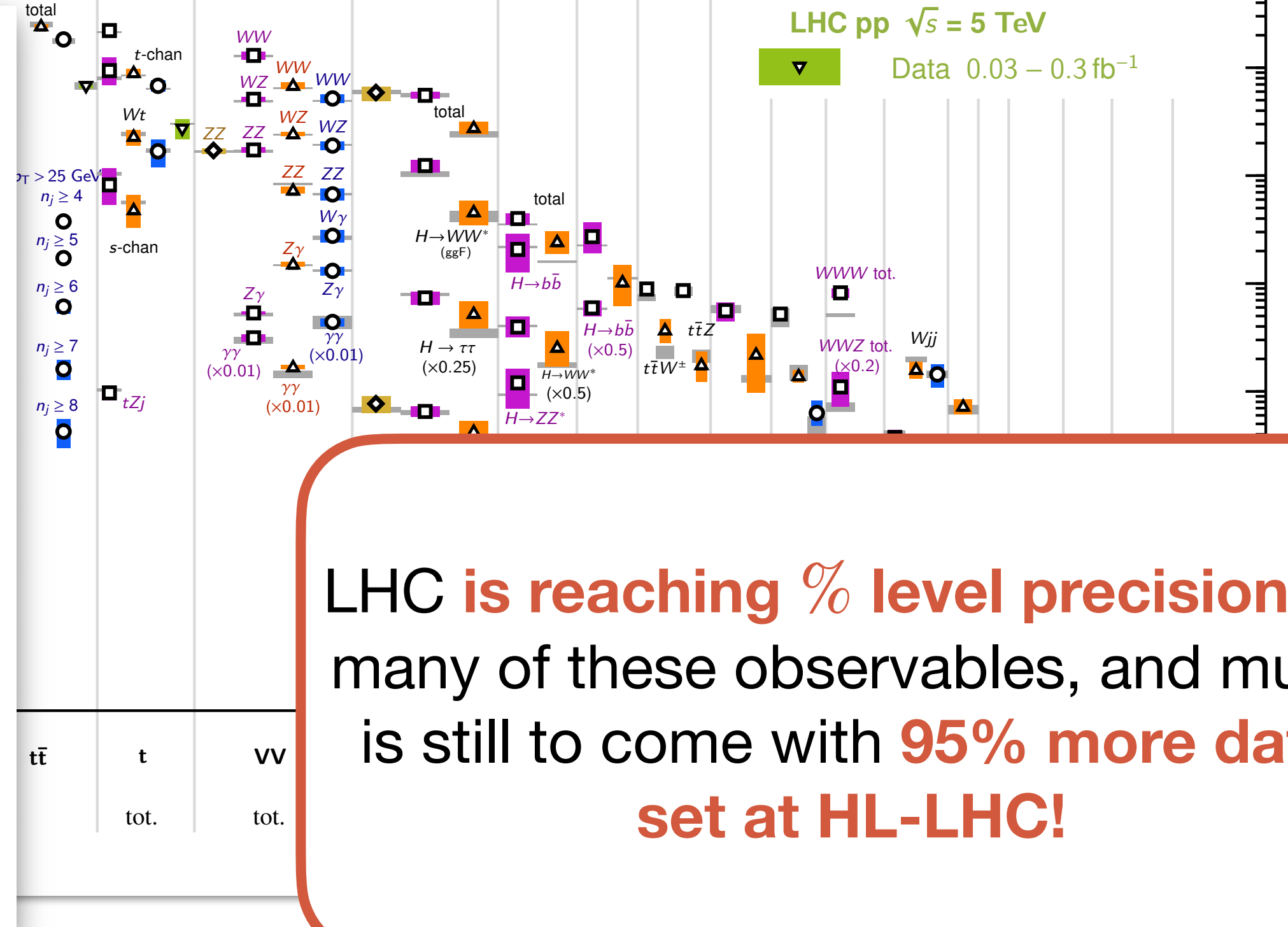
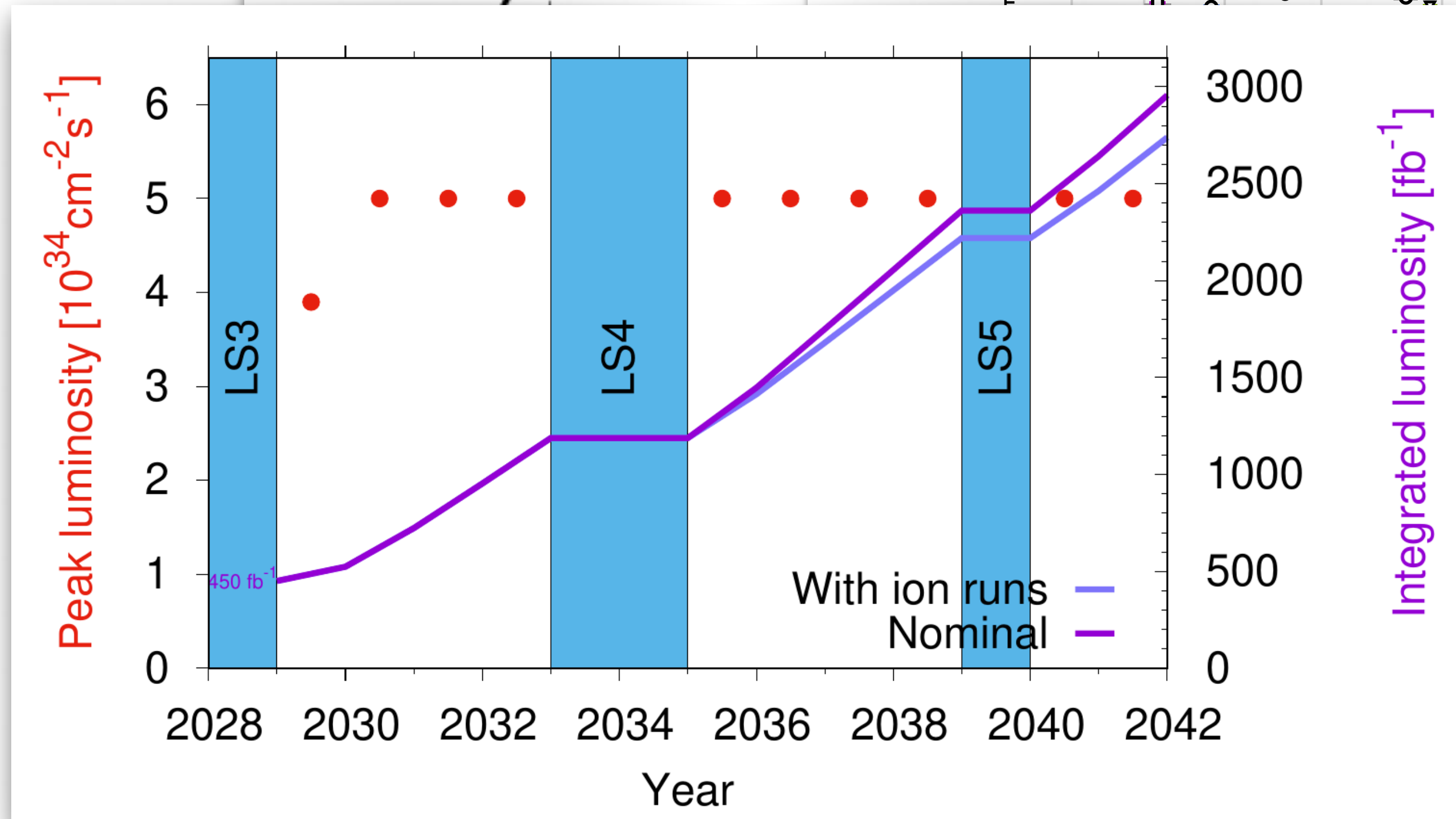
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Standard Model Production Cross Section Measurements



ATLAS Preliminary
 $\sqrt{s} = 5, 7, 8, 13, 13.6 \text{ TeV}$

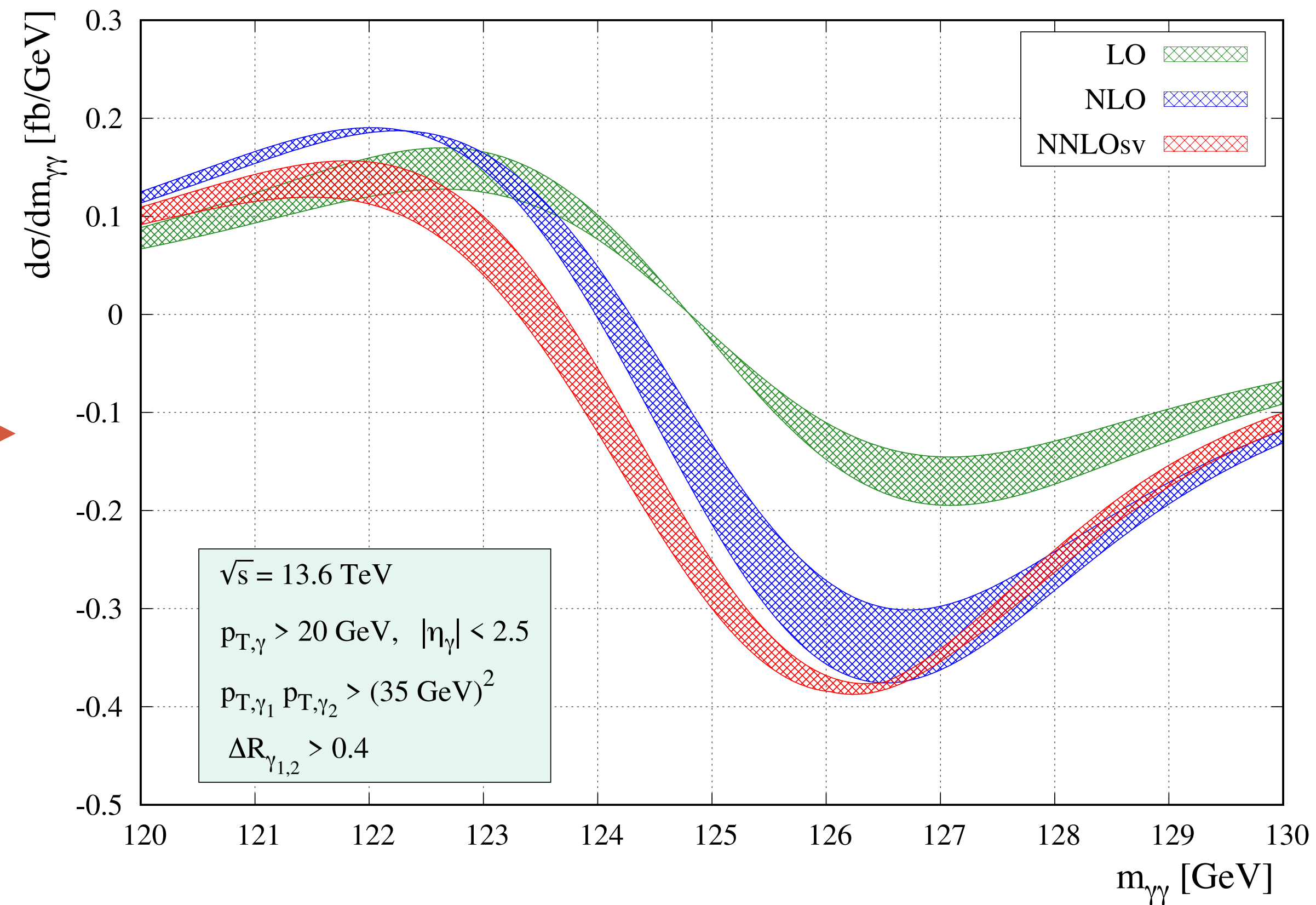
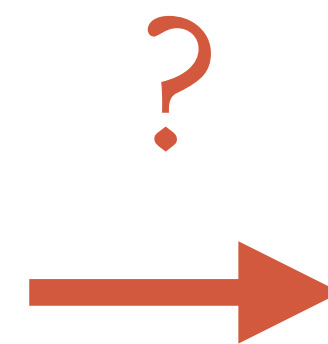


LHC is reaching % level precision for many of these observables, and much is still to come with **95% more data set at HL-LHC!**

% **PRECISION, HOW DO WE GET THERE?**

FROM THEORY TO THEORY PREDICTIONS IT'S A LONG WAY!

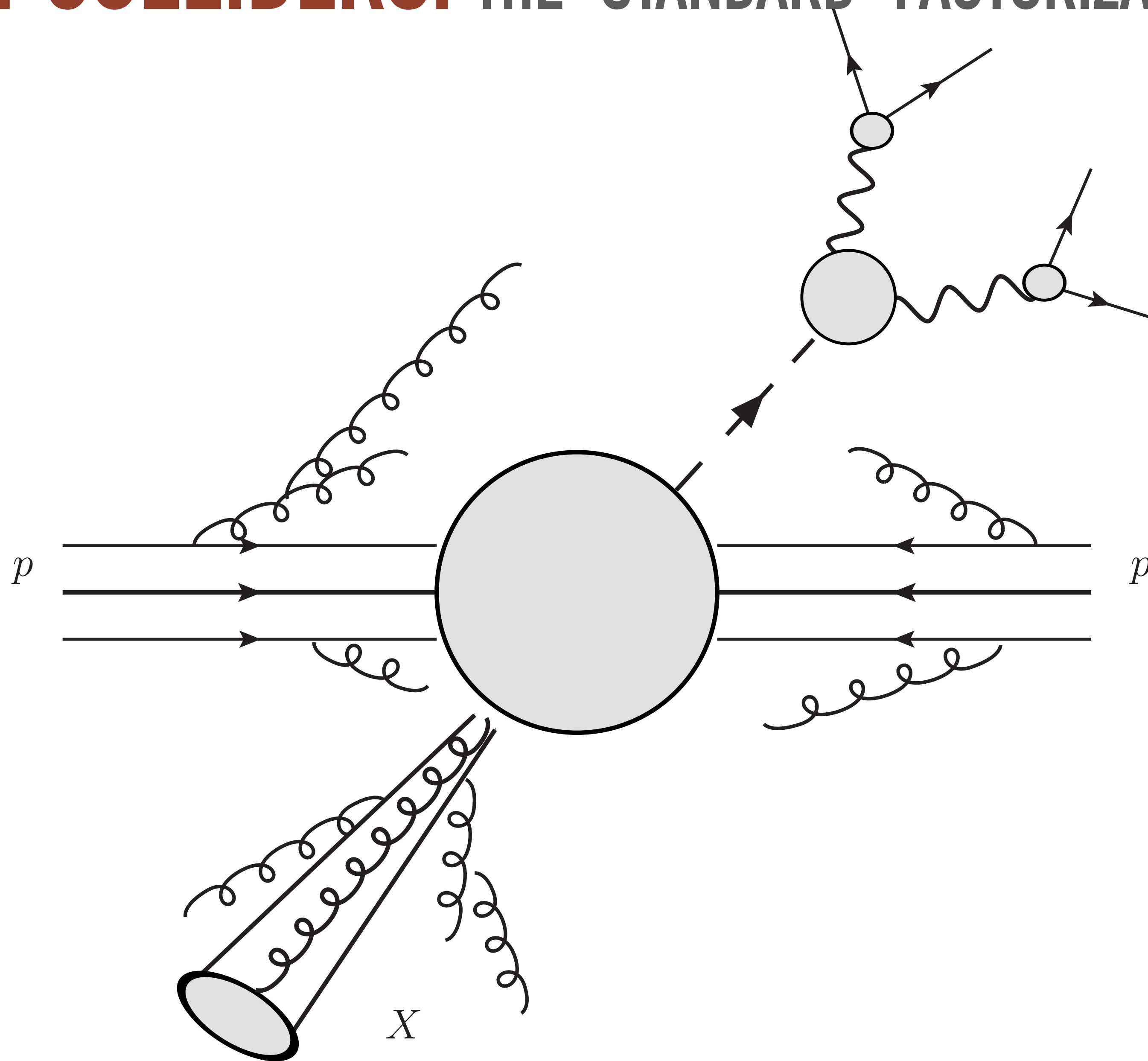
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Signal to BKG interference for $gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

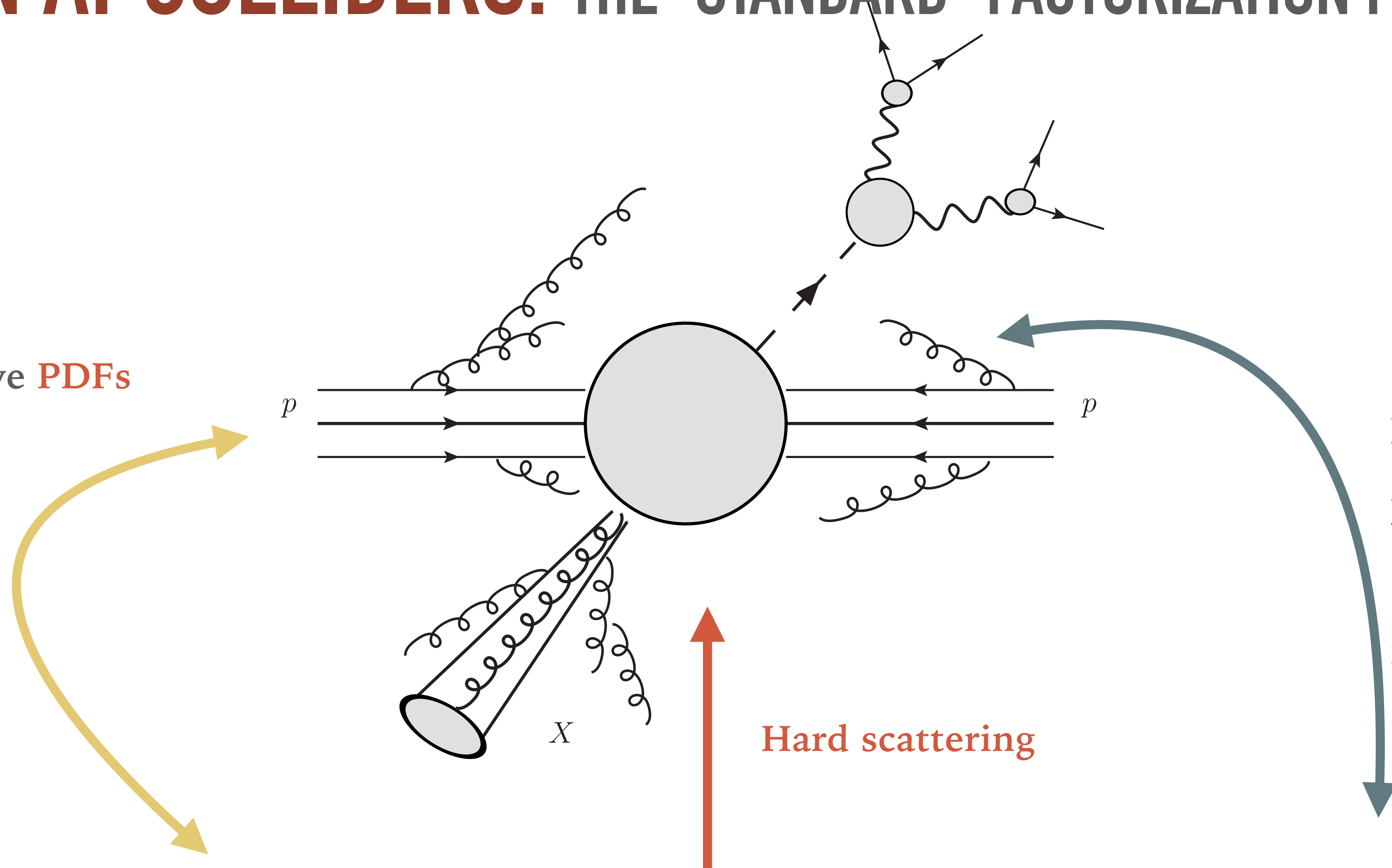
[Bargiela, Buccioni, Caola, Devoto, Manteuffel, Tancredi '22]

PRECISION AT COLLIDERS: THE "STANDARD" FACTORIZATION PICTURE



PRECISION AT COLLIDERS: THE "STANDARD" FACTORIZATION PICTURE

Non-perturbative PDFs



Non-perturbative
power corrections
soft/collinear physics
minimal value of n ?

Hard scattering

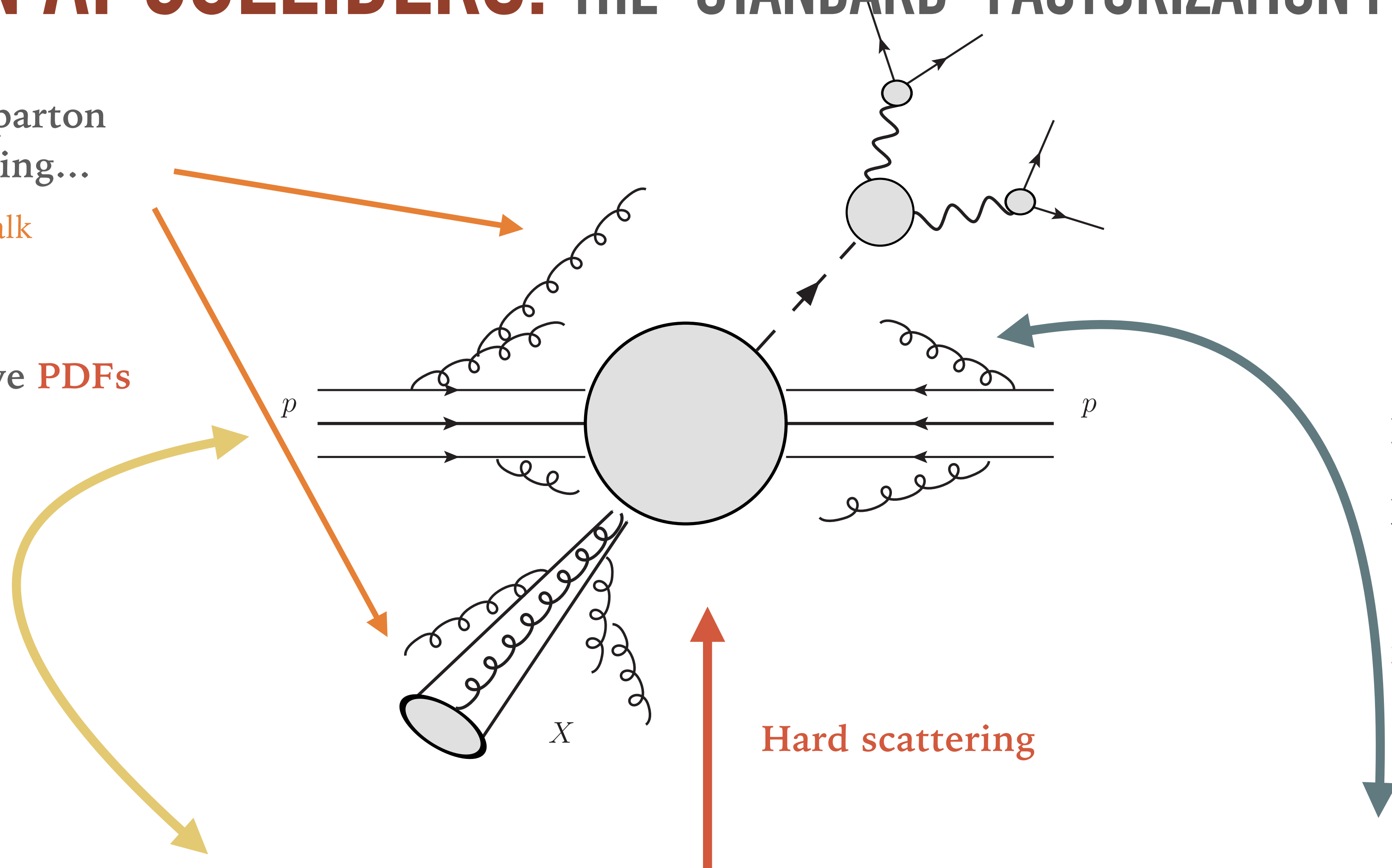
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PRECISION AT COLLIDERS: THE "STANDARD" FACTORIZATION PICTURE

Resummation, parton showers, matching...

See C. Biello's talk
this afternoon

Non-perturbative PDFs



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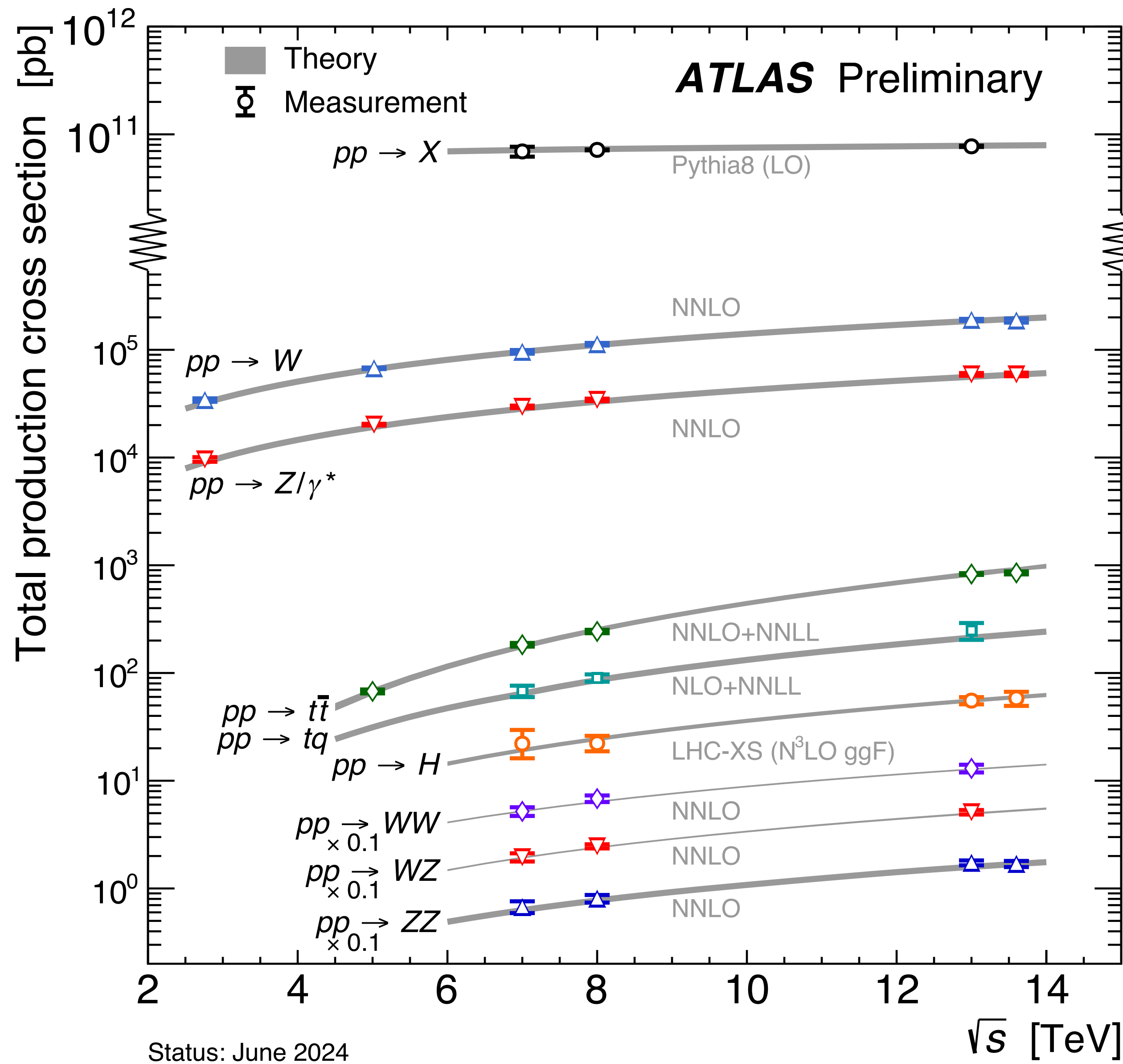
PRECISION AT COLLIDERS THE "STANDARD MODEL FACTORIZATION" PICTURE

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Resummation
showers

See C. ...
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Non-per...



○ $pp \rightarrow X$
 7 TeV, 20 μb^{-1} , Nat. Commun. 2 (2011) 463
 8 TeV, 500 μb^{-1} , PLB 761 (2016) 158
 13 TeV, 340 μb^{-1} , EPJC 83 (2023) 441

△ $pp \rightarrow W$ **▽** $pp \rightarrow Z/\gamma^*$
 2.76 TeV, 4 pb^{-1} , EPJC 79 (2019)
 5 TeV, 255 pb^{-1} , arXiv:2404.06204
 7 TeV, 4.6 fb^{-1} , EPJC 77 (2017) 367
 8 TeV, 20.2 fb^{-1} , JHEP 02 (2017) 117 (for Z)
 8 TeV, 20.2 fb^{-1} , EPJC 79 (2019) 760 (for W)
 13 TeV, 338 pb^{-1} , arXiv:2404.06204
 13.6 TeV, 29 fb^{-1} , PLB 854 (2024) 138725

◇ $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}$
 5 TeV, 257 pb^{-1} , JHEP 06 (2023) 138
 7 & 8 TeV, EPJC 74 (2014) 3109
 13 TeV, 140 fb^{-1} , JHEP 07 (2023) 141
 13.6 TeV, 29 fb^{-1} , PLB 848 (2024) 138376

□ $pp \rightarrow tq$
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 8 TeV, 20.3 fb^{-1} , EPJC 77 (2017) 531
 13 TeV, 3.2 fb^{-1} , JHEP 1704 (2017) 086

○ $pp \rightarrow H$
 7 & 8 TeV, EPJC 76 (2016) 6
 13 TeV, 139 fb^{-1} , JHEP 05 (2023) 028
 13.6 TeV, 31.4 fb^{-1} , EPJC 84 (2024) 78

◇ $pp \rightarrow WW$
 7 TeV, 4.6 fb^{-1} , PRD 87, 112001 (2013)
 8 TeV, 20.3 fb^{-1} , JHEP 09 029 (2016)
 13 TeV, 36.1 fb^{-1} , EPJC 79 (2019) 884

▽ $pp \rightarrow WZ$
 7 TeV, 4.6 fb^{-1} , EPJC 72 (2012) 2173
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 13 TeV, 36.1 fb^{-1} , PRD 97 (2018) 032005
 13.6 TeV, 29 fb^{-1} , PLB 855 (2024) 138764

perturbative
 corrections
 linear physics
 value of n ?

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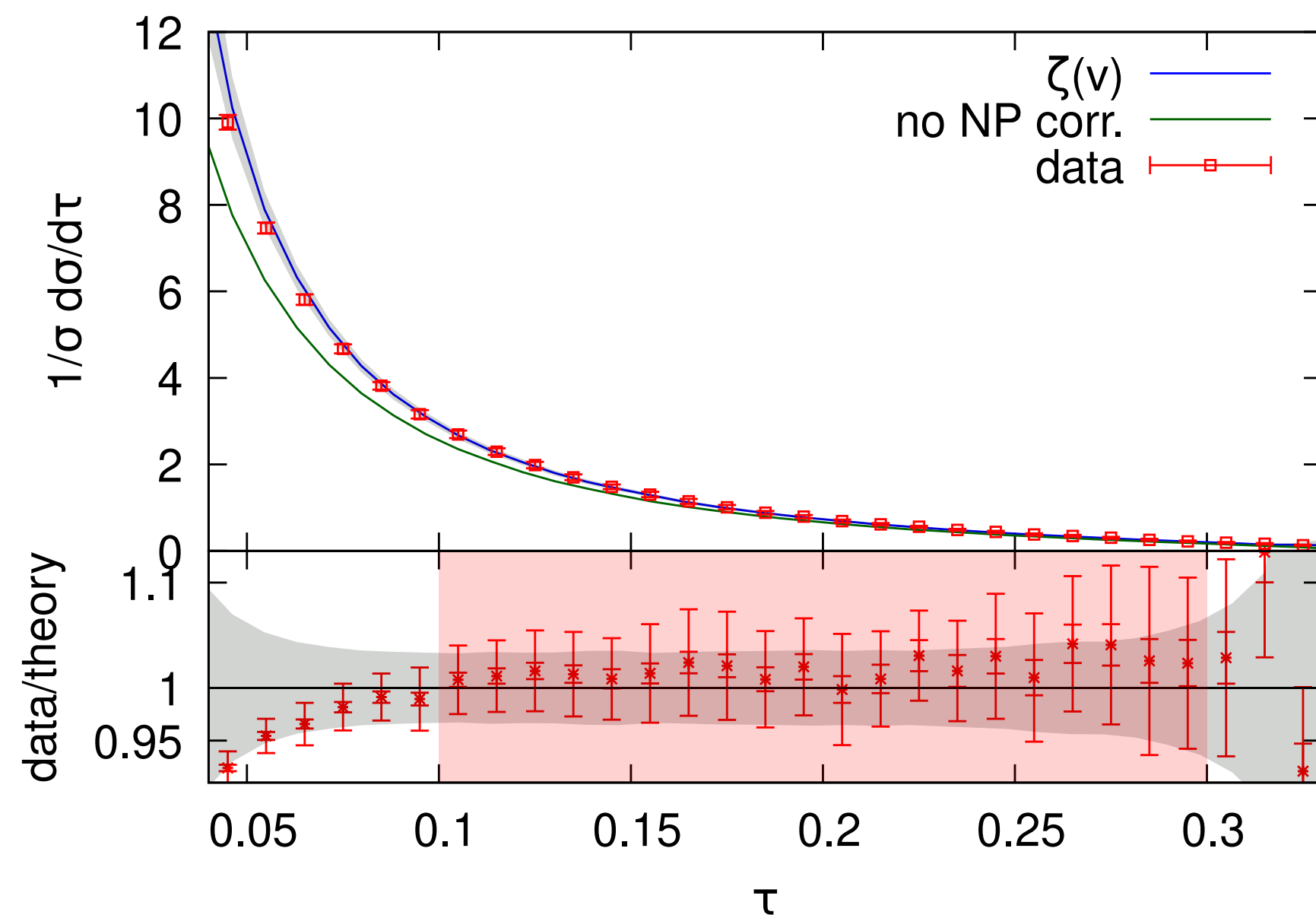
PRECISION AT COLLIDERS: IS IT UNDER CONTROL?

$$(1 + \mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^n / Q^n))$$

$$\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \sim 1 \text{ GeV} \quad Q \sim 30 - 100 \text{ GeV}$$

if $n = 1$, can easily give % level corrections

Impact in $e^+e^- \rightarrow 3$ jets for α_S fits (subtleties in 3 jets vs 2 jet case) [Nason, Zanderighi '23]



Recently excluded for some observables

$q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ [Makarov, Melnikov, Nason, Ozcelik '23]

Using short-distance ($\overline{\text{MS}}$) top-mass scheme

Single top [Makarov, Melnikov, Nason, Ozcelik '23, '24]

Depending also on observable (positron momentum components!)

What about more subtle effects? $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2 \ln^2 \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$

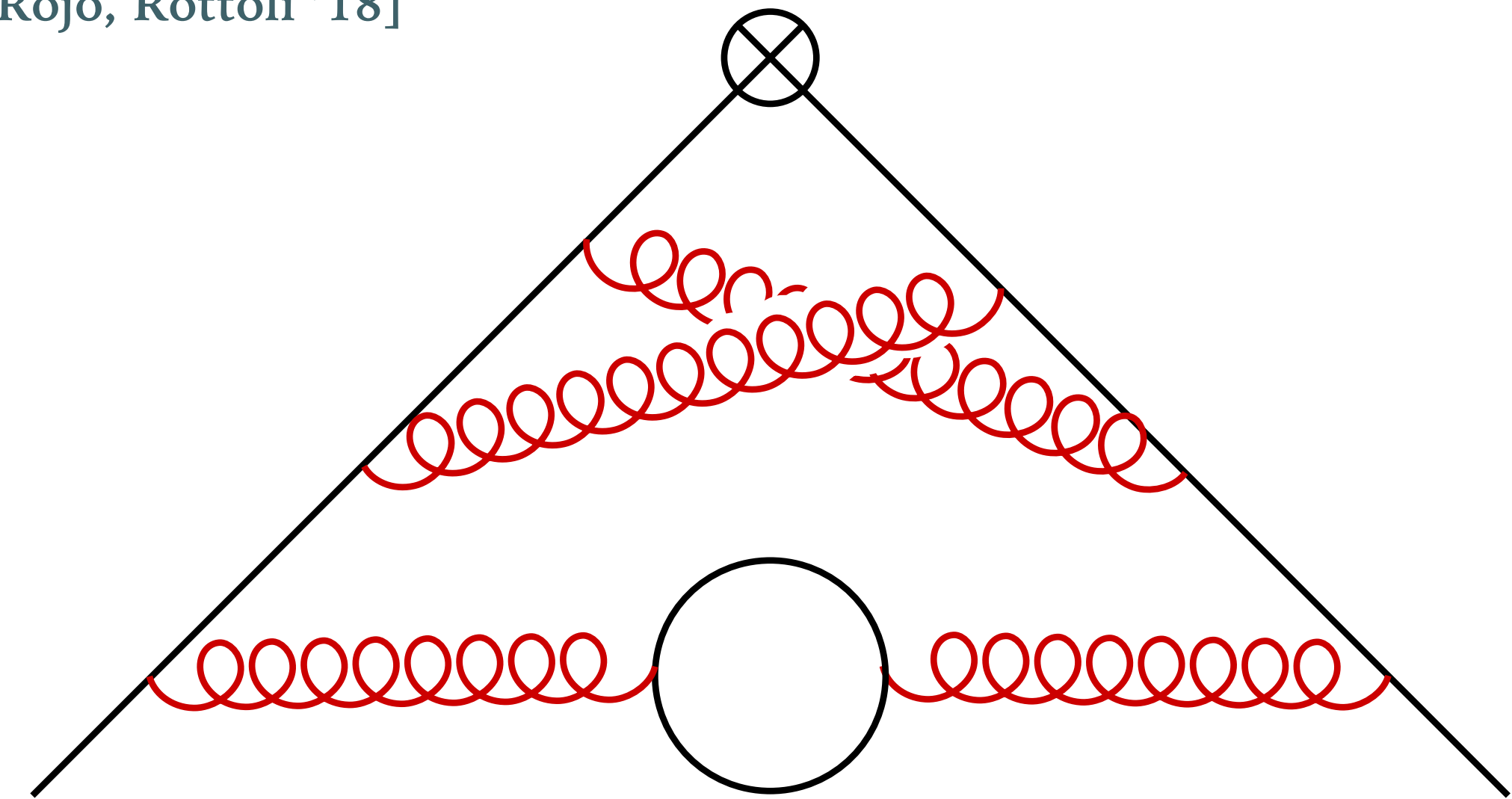
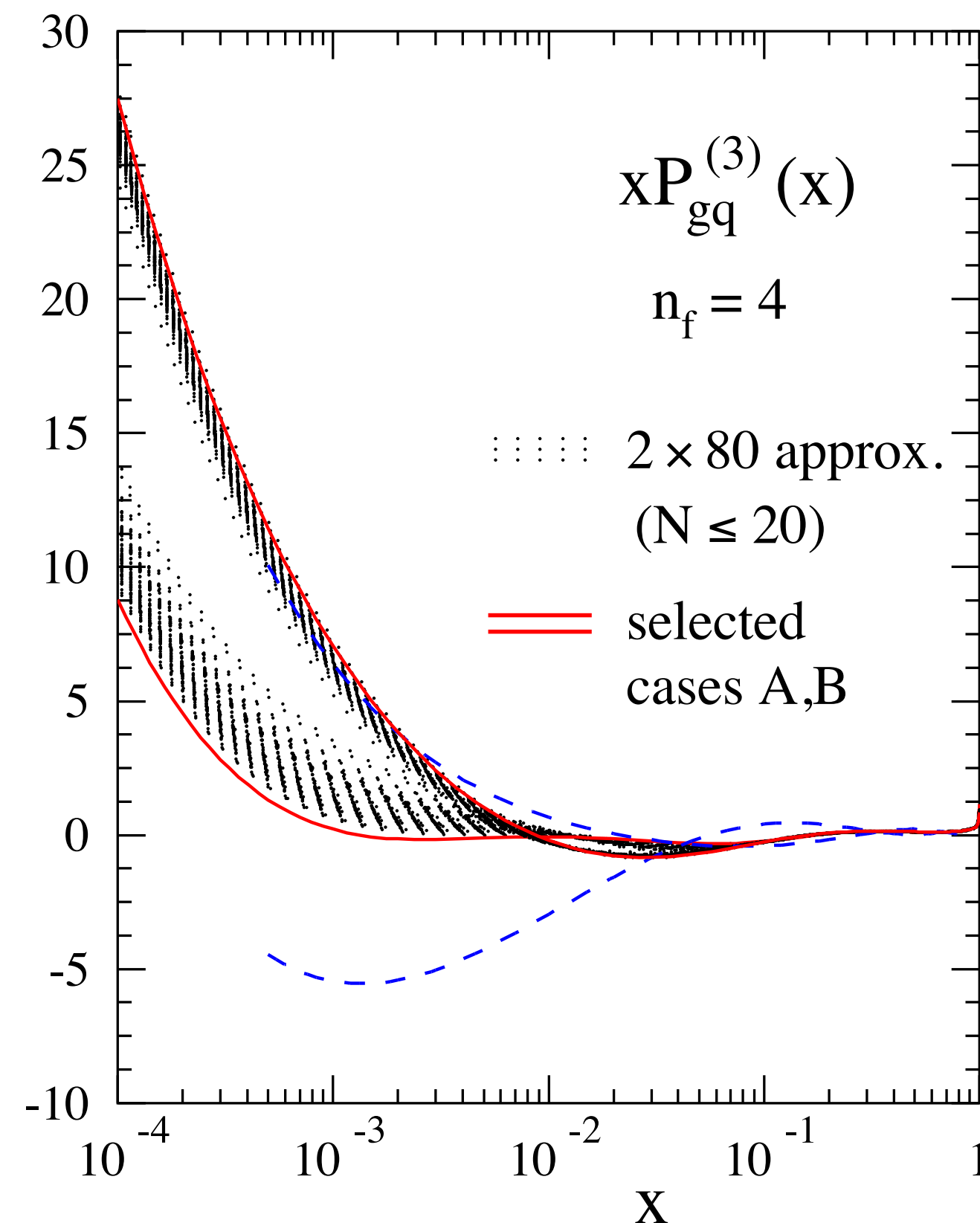
PRECISION AT COLLIDERS: PARTON DISTRIBUTION FUNCTIONS

$$dx_1 dx_2 f(x_1) f(x_2)$$

Huge effort to understand **PDF evolution to N3LO**

Interesting **low- x behaviour**

[Ball, Bertone, Bonvini, Marzani, Rojo, Rottoli '18]



[Davies, Vogt, Ruji, Ueda, Vermaseren, '16]

[Gehrmann, Manteuffel, Sotnikov, Yang '23, '24]

[Falcioni, Herzog, Moch, Pelloni, Vogt '23, '24]

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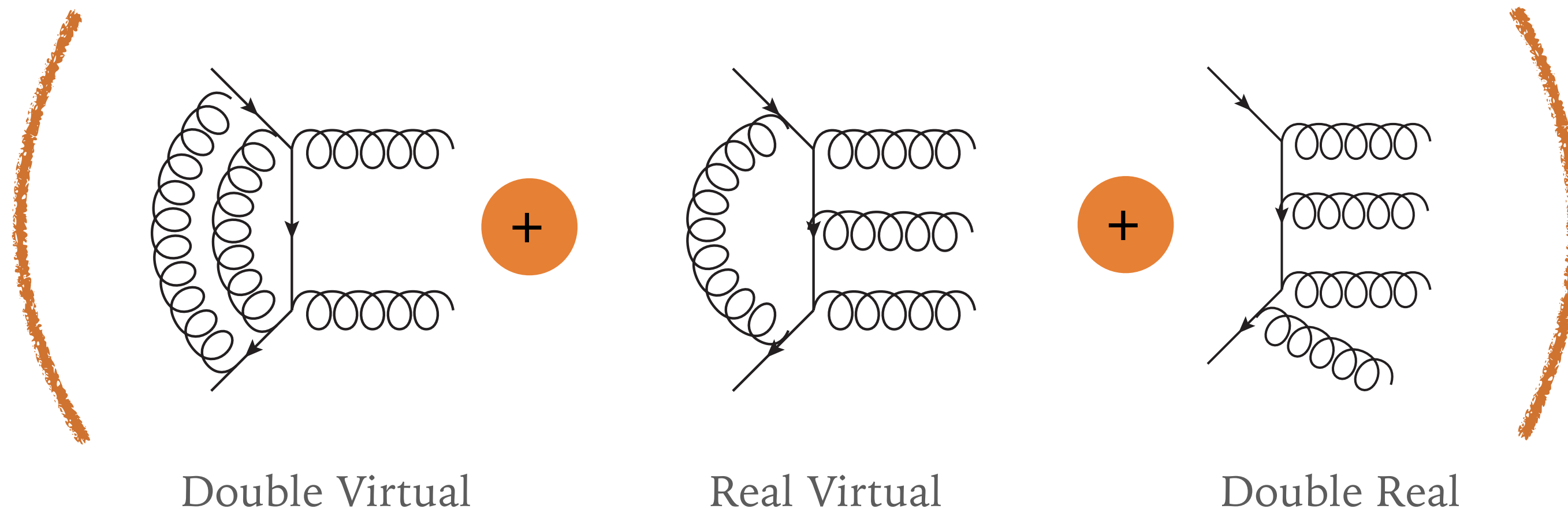
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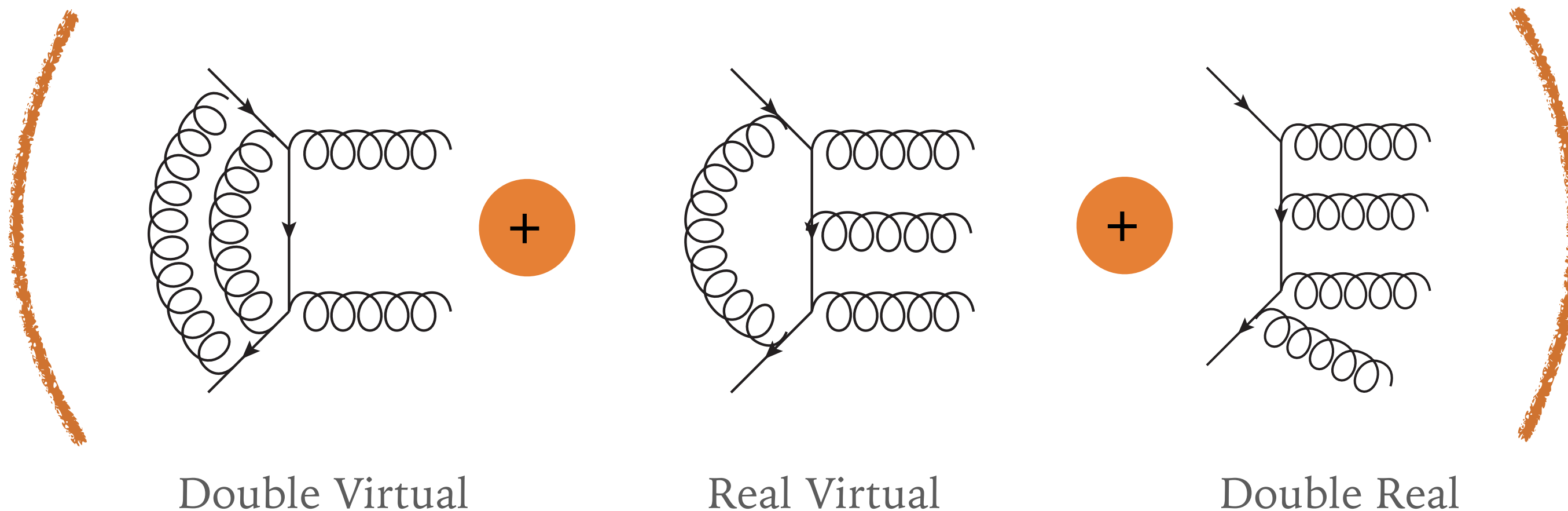
Often not even enough in pure QCD
QCD+EW effects must be included!

See T. Armadillo's talk this afternoon

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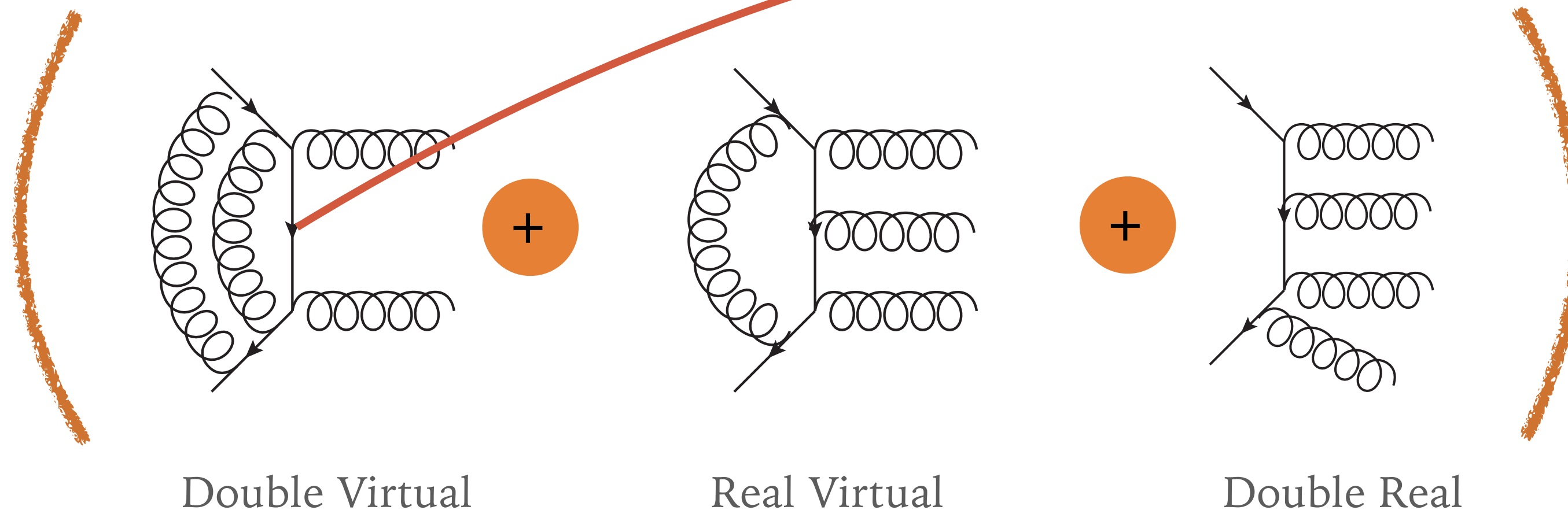
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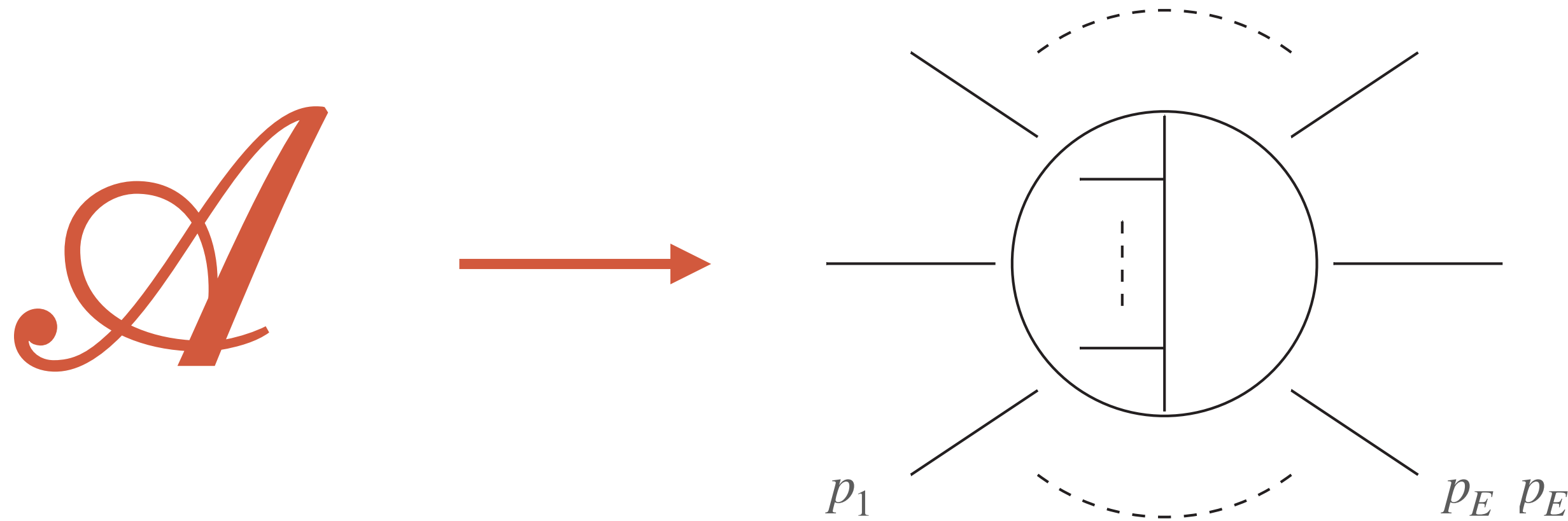


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AMPLITUDES: THE STANDARD WAY AT ℓ LOOPS



$$= \epsilon_1^{\mu_1} \cdots \epsilon_n^{\mu_n} \bar{v}(q) \Gamma_{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n} u(p)$$



$$\mathcal{F} = \int \prod_{l=1}^L \frac{d^D k_l}{(2\pi)^D} \frac{S_1^{b_1} \cdots S_m^{b_m}}{D_1^{a_1} \cdots D_n^{a_n}}$$

scalar Feynman integrals

$$D_i = q_i^2 - m_i^2$$

$$S_i = \{\ell_j \cdot \ell_k, \ell_j \cdot p_k\}$$

$$0 = \int \prod_{l=1}^L \frac{d^D k_l}{(2\pi)^D} \frac{\partial}{\partial \ell_k^\mu} \left[v^\mu \frac{S_1^{b_1} \cdots S_m^{b_m}}{D_1^{a_1} \cdots D_n^{a_n}} \right]$$

Integration by parts identities (IBPs)

(+ Symmetries, Lorentz ids and all that)

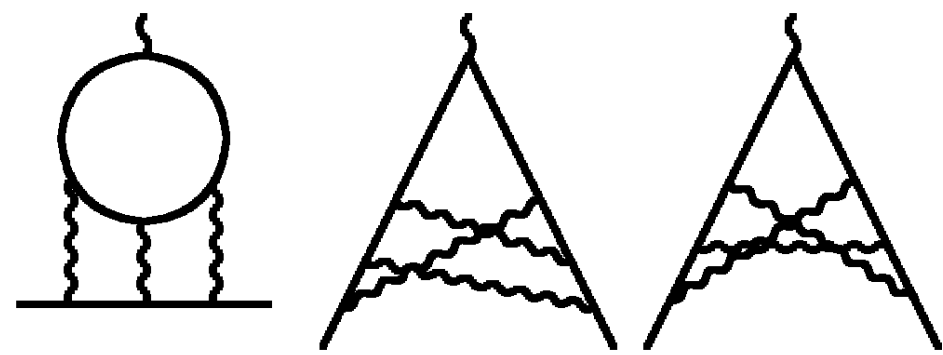
[Chetyrkin, Tkachov; Laporta; ...]

ON THE DECOMPOSITION: IBPS AND MASTER INTEGRALS

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[Laporta, Remiddi '97]

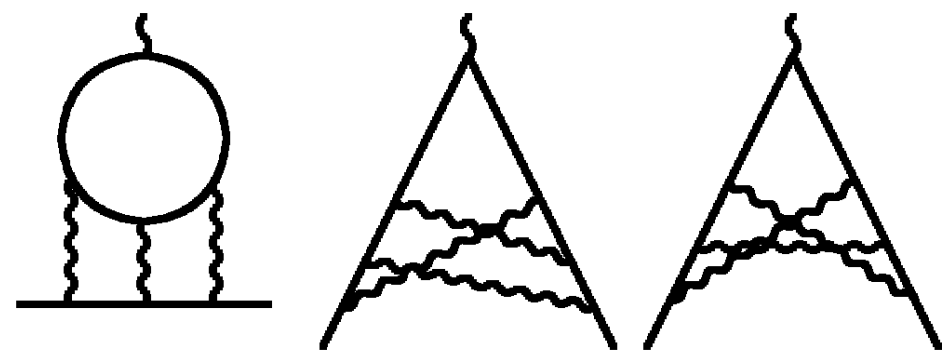
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Since then, things have changed a lot!

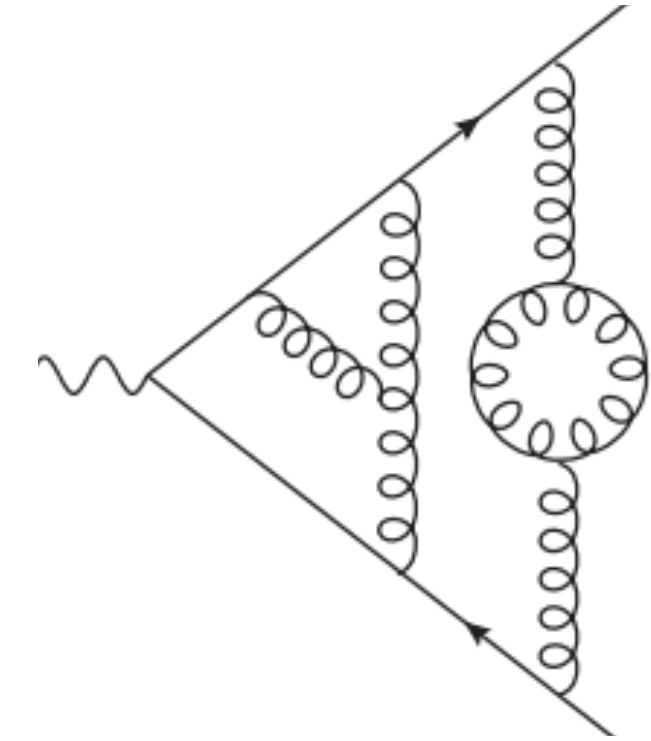
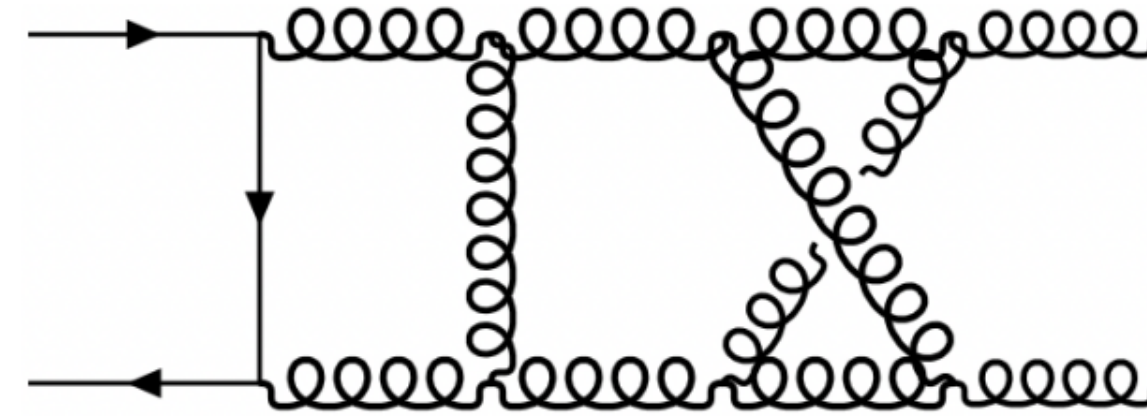
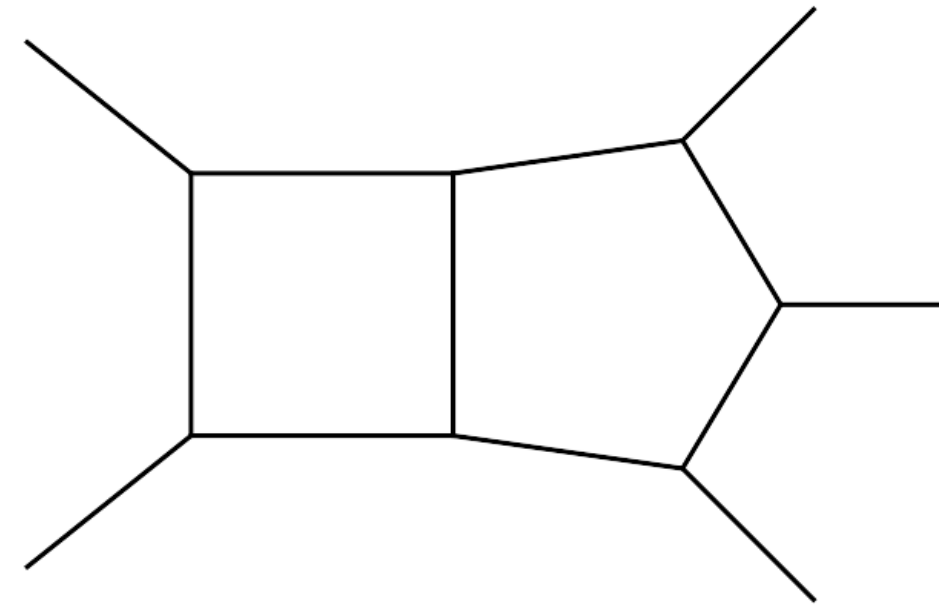
Complexity increases factorially with **# of legs** and **# of loops**

- **many scales** → huge rational functions to handle symbolically (typically TBs of RAM on large machines!)
- **many loops** → explosion in number of identities (typically $\geq 10^9$ for $2 \rightarrow 2$ at three loops, again TBs!)

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ON THE DECOMPOSITION: NEW METHODS FOR IBPS

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Finite-fields methods

Avoid intermediate expression swell

[von Manteuffel, Schabinger,
Peraro, Abreu, Page, Ita,
Klappert, Lange,....]

Algebraic geometry methods

Reduce the number of IBPs generated

[Zhang, Bohem, Kosower,
Peraro, Page, Abreu, Ita, von
Manteuffel, Schabinger ...]

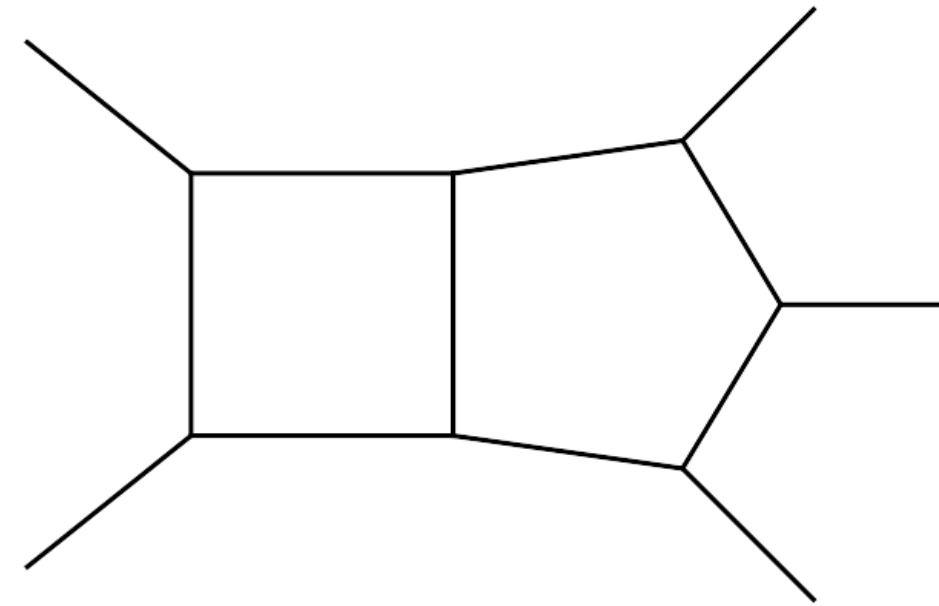
intersection theory

$$\langle \varphi | \mathcal{C} \rangle = \sum_{i,j,k,l=1}^{|\mathcal{X}|} \langle \varphi | \varphi_j \rangle (\mathbf{C}^{-1})_{ji} \mathbf{P}_{il} (\mathbf{H}^{-1})_{lk} [\mathcal{C}_k | \mathcal{C}]$$

[Mizera, Mastrolia, Frellesvig,
Brunello, Crisanti, Mattiazzi,
Gasparotto, Smith, Chen, Feng,
Yang, Xu, Pokraka, Caron-Huot,
Giroux, Weinzierl, Fontana,
Peraro...]

ON THE DECOMPOSITION: STATE-OF-THE-ART FOR QCD CALCULATIONS

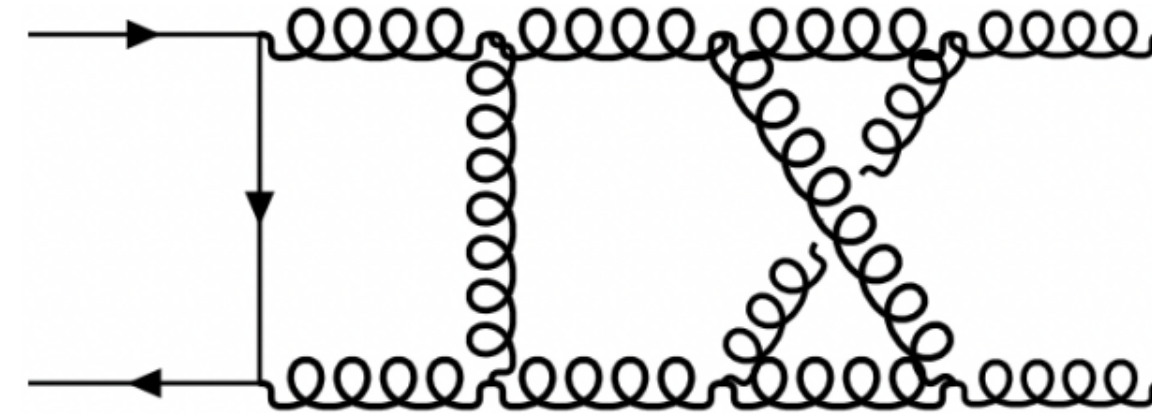
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2 loop 5 point



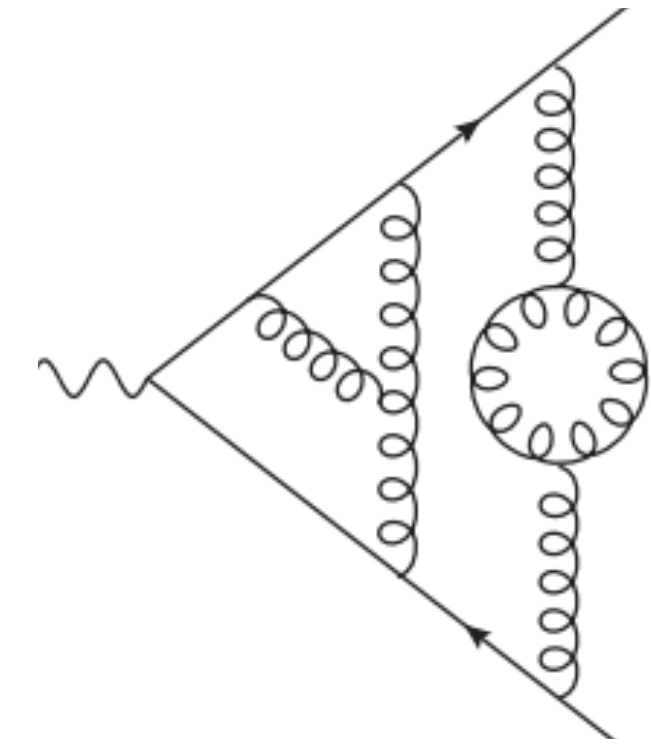
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3 loop 4 point



Bargiela, Bobadilla, Canko, Caola, Jakubcik, Gambuti, Gehrmann, Henn, Lim, Mella, Mistlberger, Wasser, Manteuffel, Syrrakos, Smirnov, Tancredi, ...



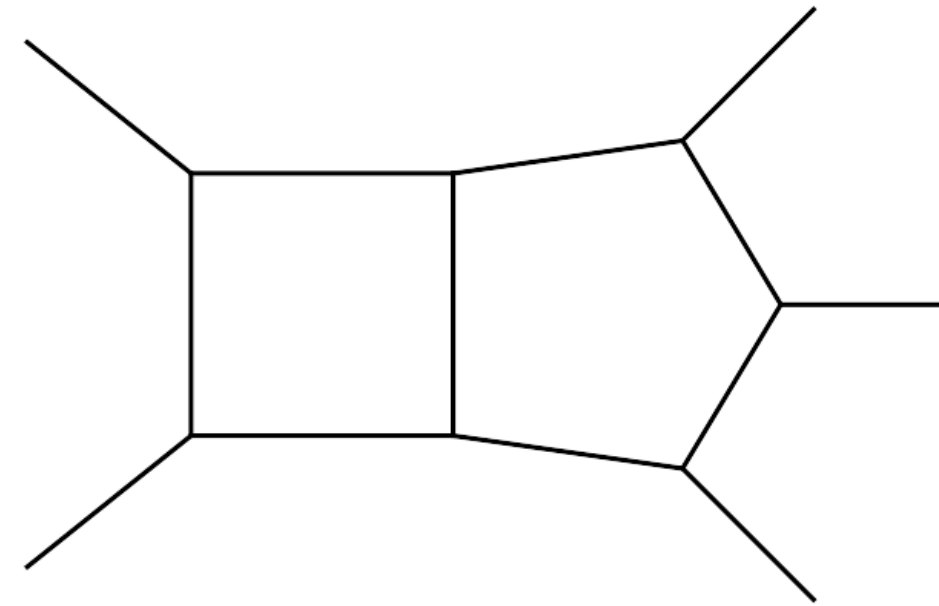
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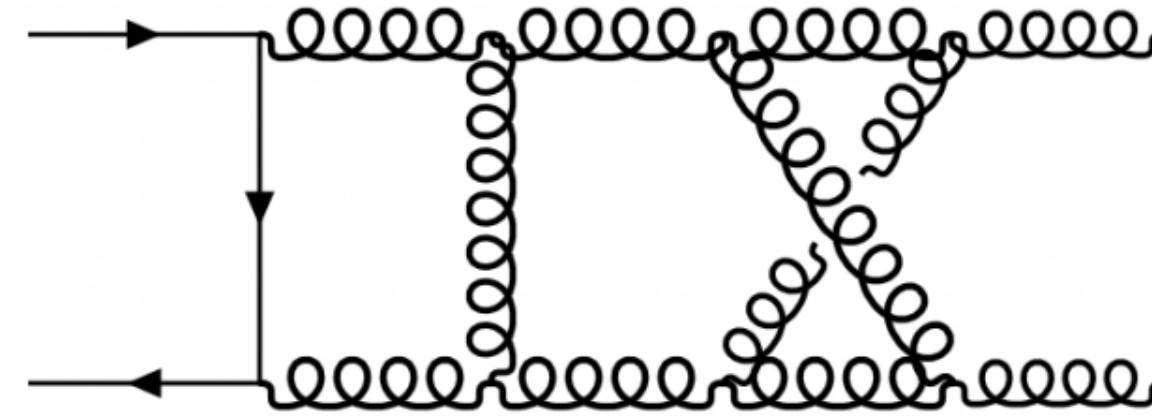
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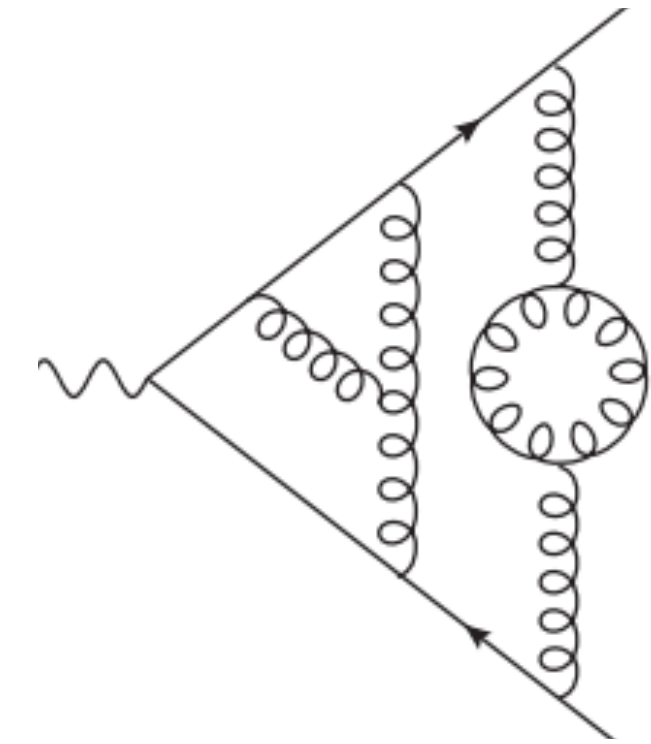
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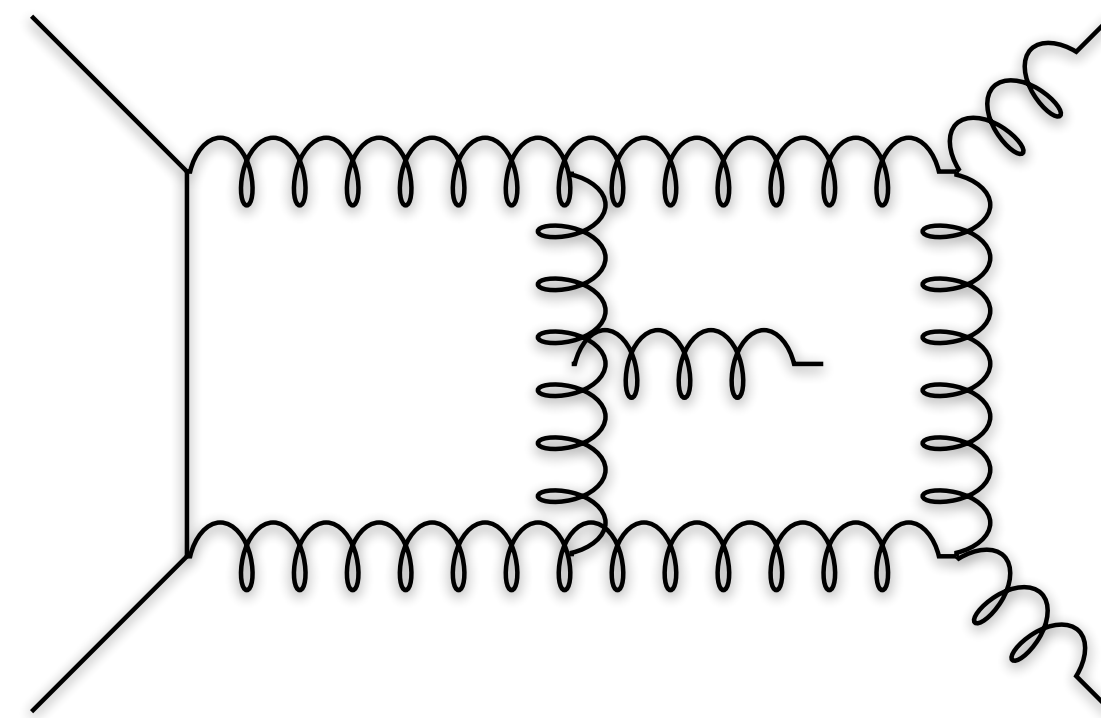
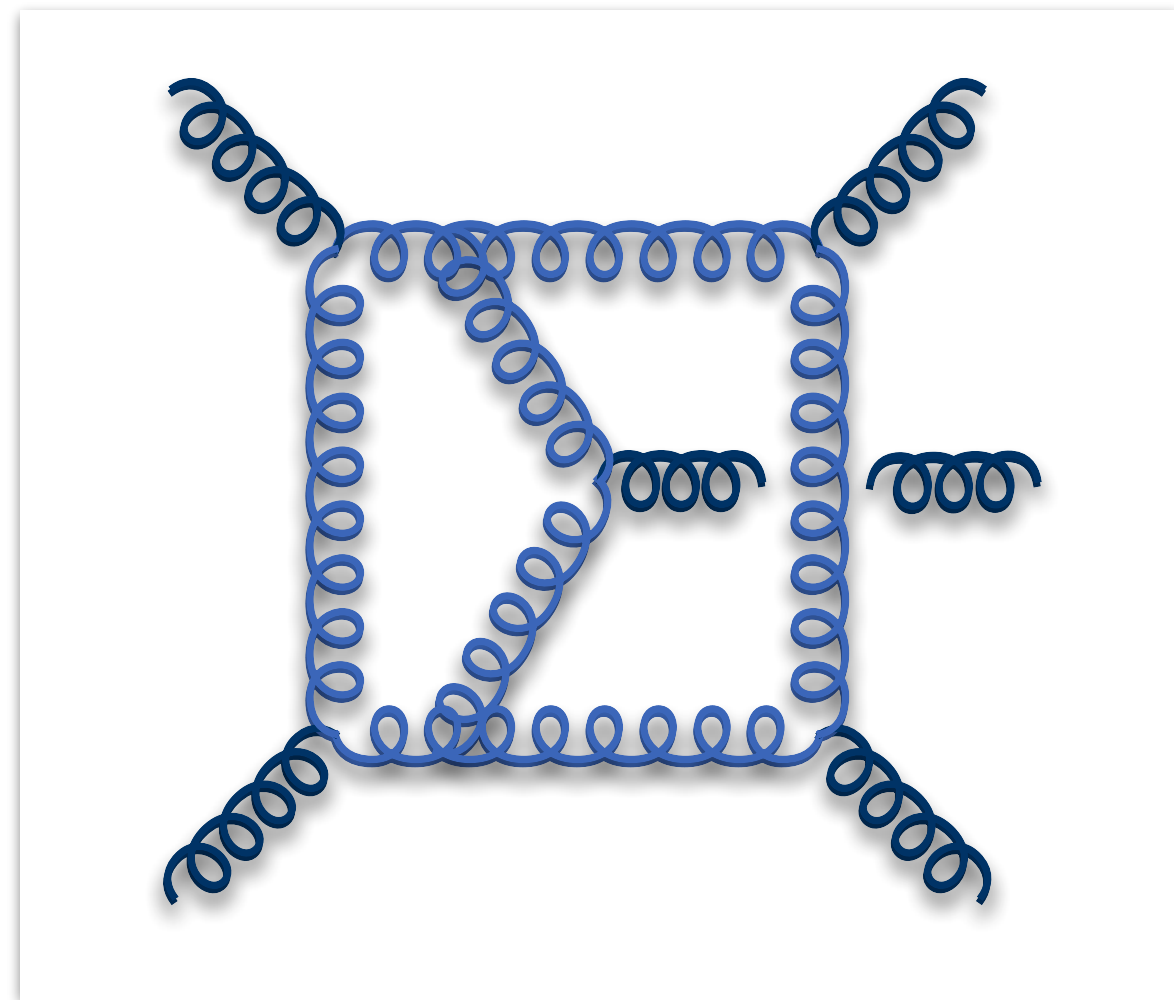
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**All processes computed in Full Color
Including Planar and Non-Planar diagrams**

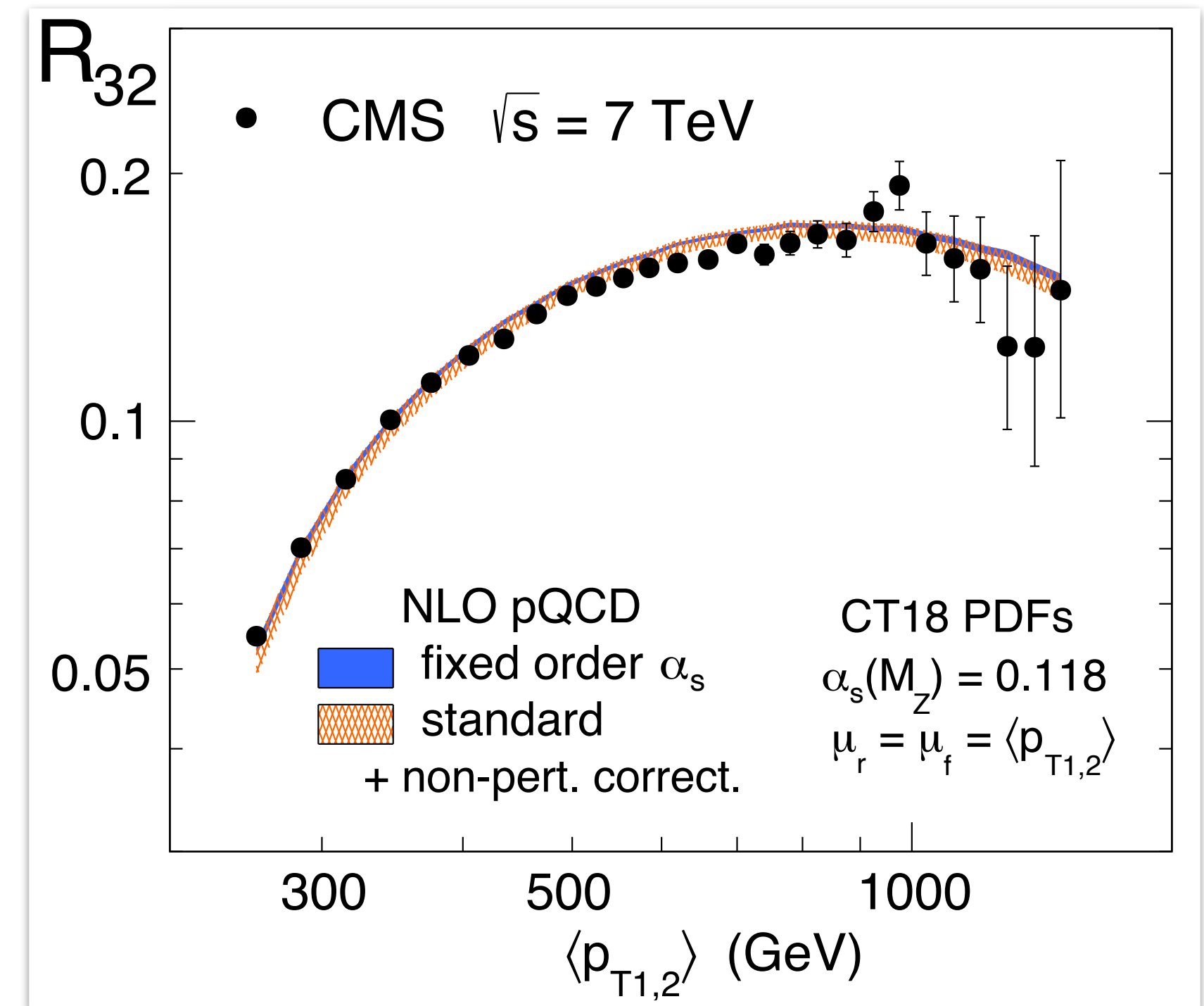
PROBING QCD AT THE HIGHEST ENERGIES



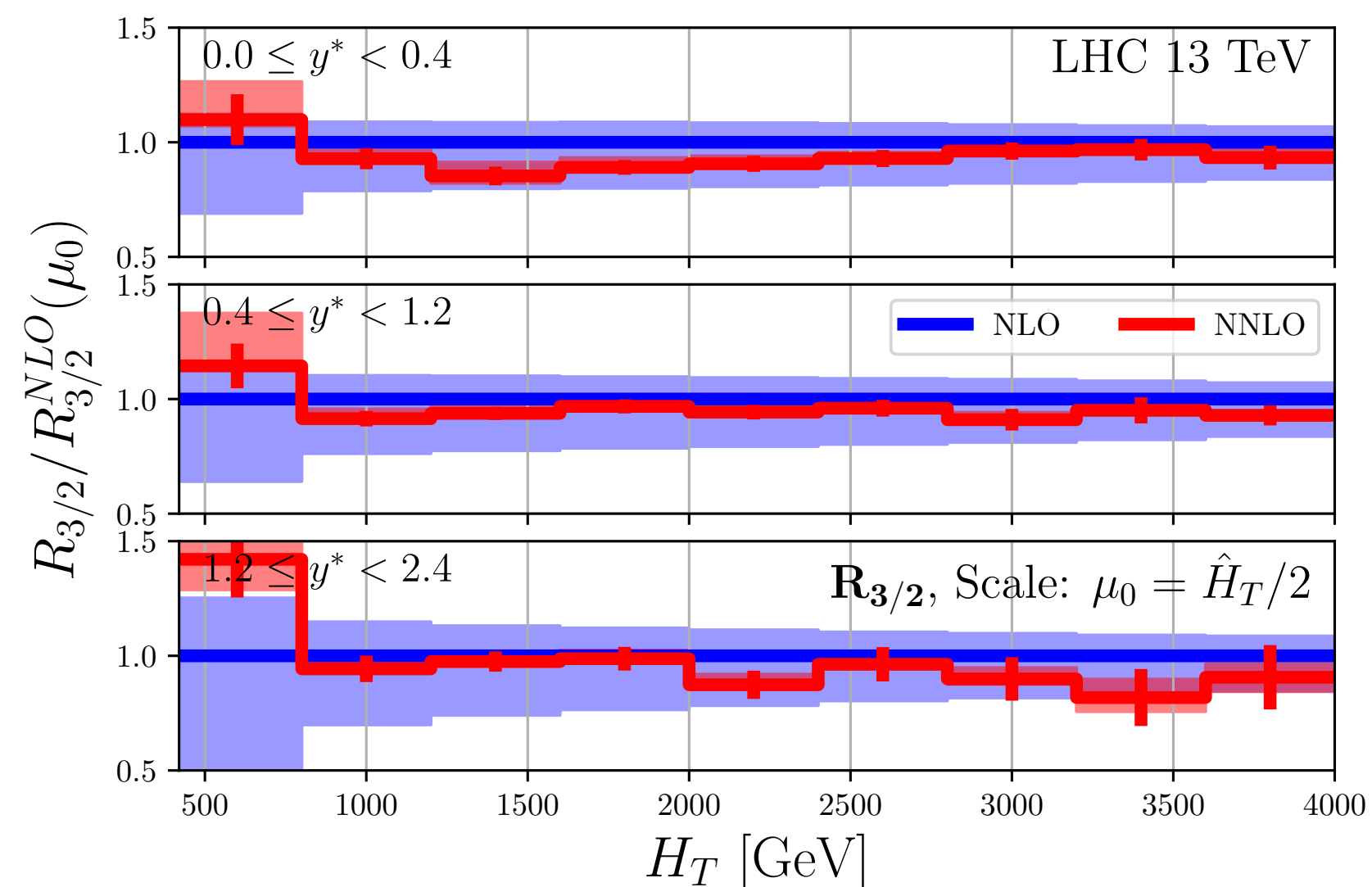
Recently, **full-color** calculation of all scattering amplitudes

[Agarwal, Buccioni, Devoto, Gambuti, Manteuffel, LT '23]

[De Laurentis, Ita, Klinkert, Sotnikov, '21, '23]



Multijet to fit α_s



3-jet production in NNLO QCD

[Czakon, Mitov, Poncelet '22, '23]

BEYOND ALL-MASSLESS: AMPLITUDES AND CROSS SECTIONS

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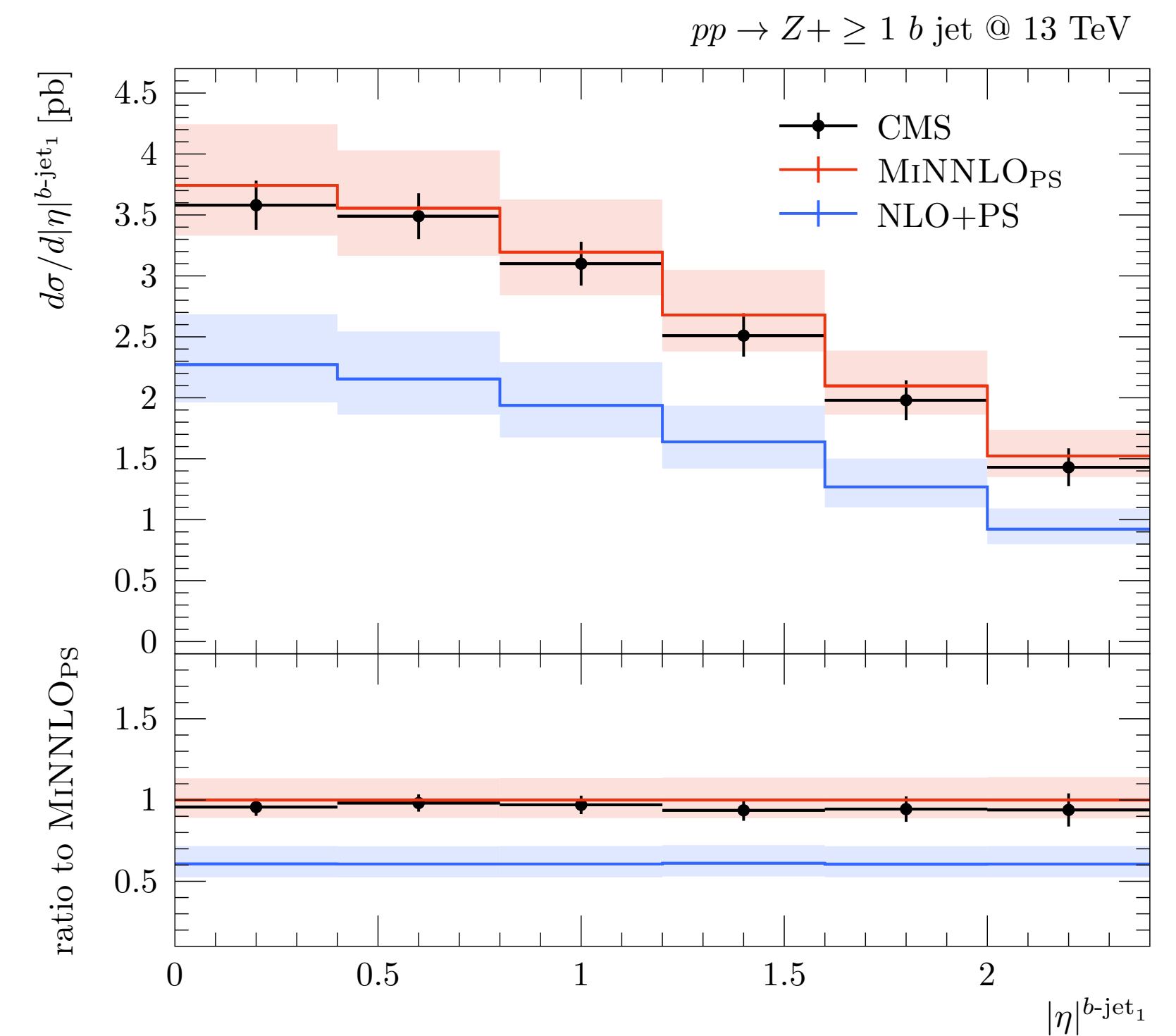
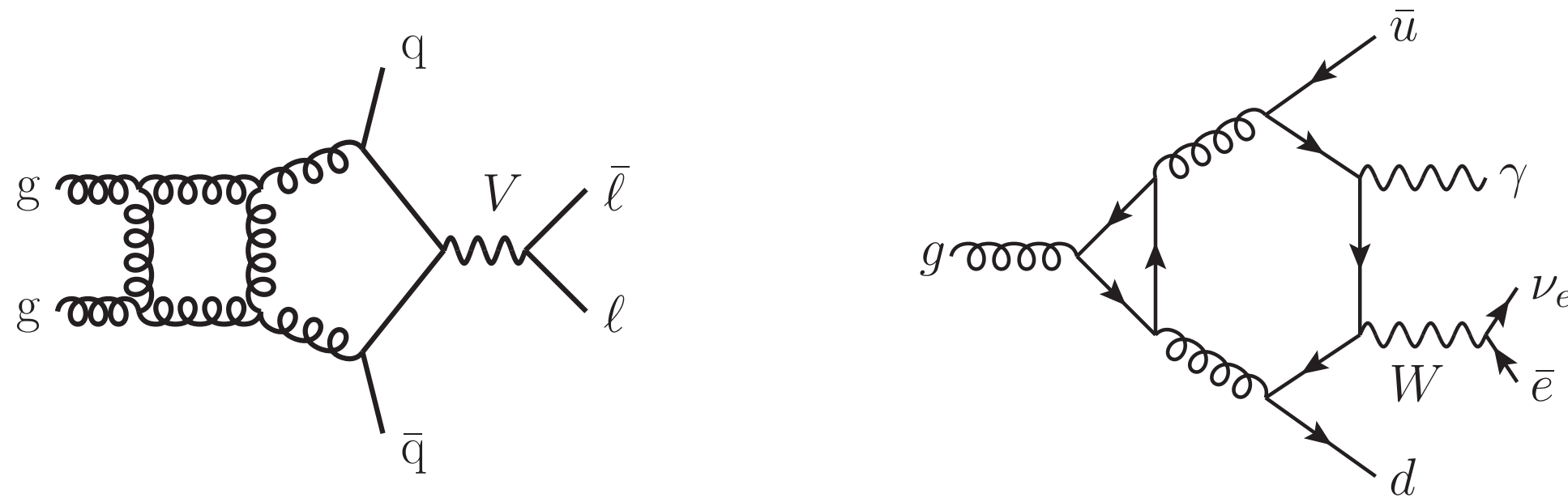
Many results for **LC (planar)** virtual corrections, e.g.

$$pp \rightarrow Wb\bar{b} \text{ [Badger, Hartanto, Zoia '21]}$$

$$pp \rightarrow Hb\bar{b} \text{ [Badger, Hartanto, Kryz, Zoia '21]}$$

$$pp \rightarrow W\gamma j \text{ [Badger, Hartanto, Kryz, Zoia '22]}$$

$$pp \rightarrow Wjj \text{ [Abreu, Cordero, Ita, Klinkert, Page, Sotnikov '22]}$$

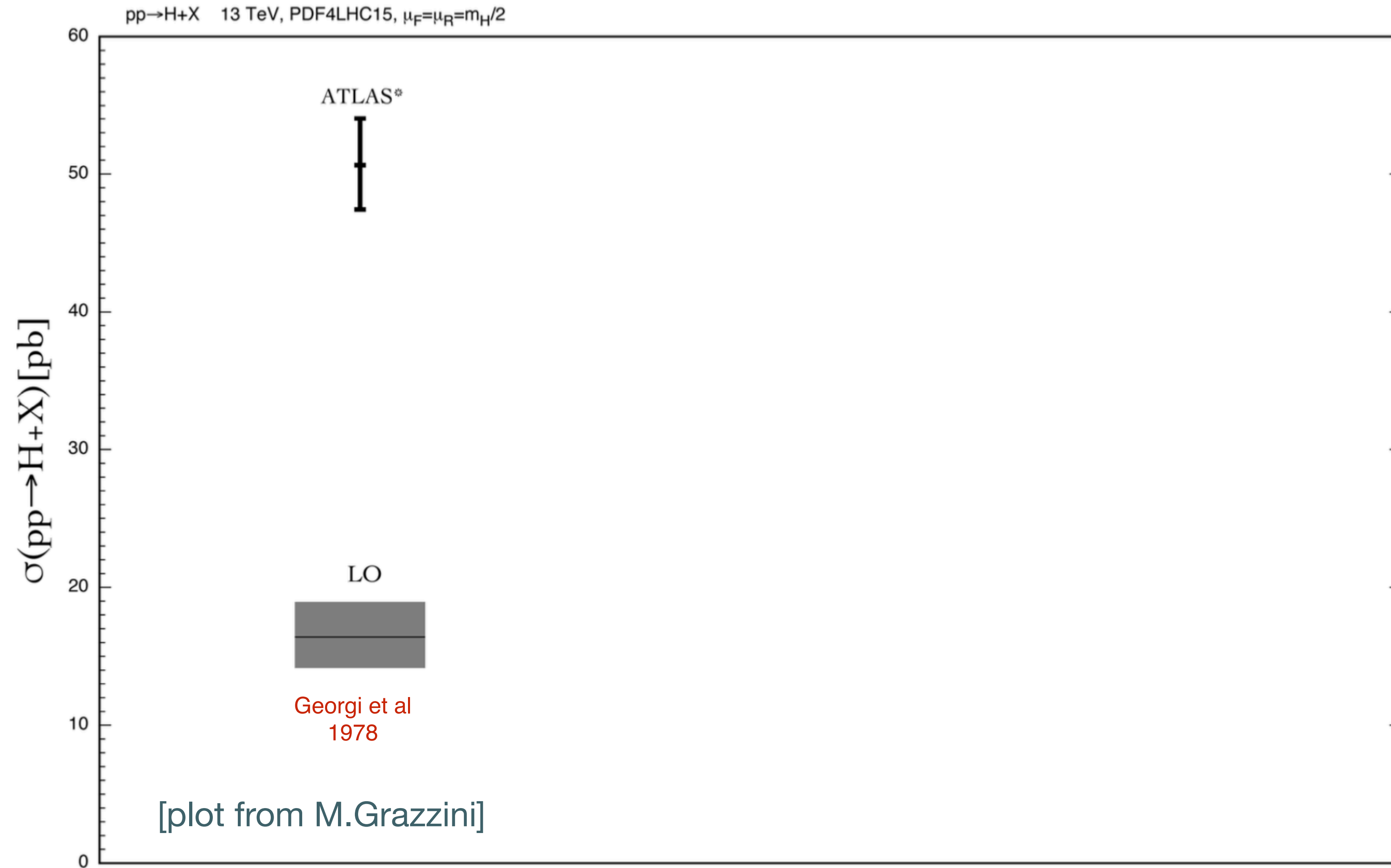


NNLO corrections to $pp \rightarrow Zb\bar{b} + \text{PS matching}$

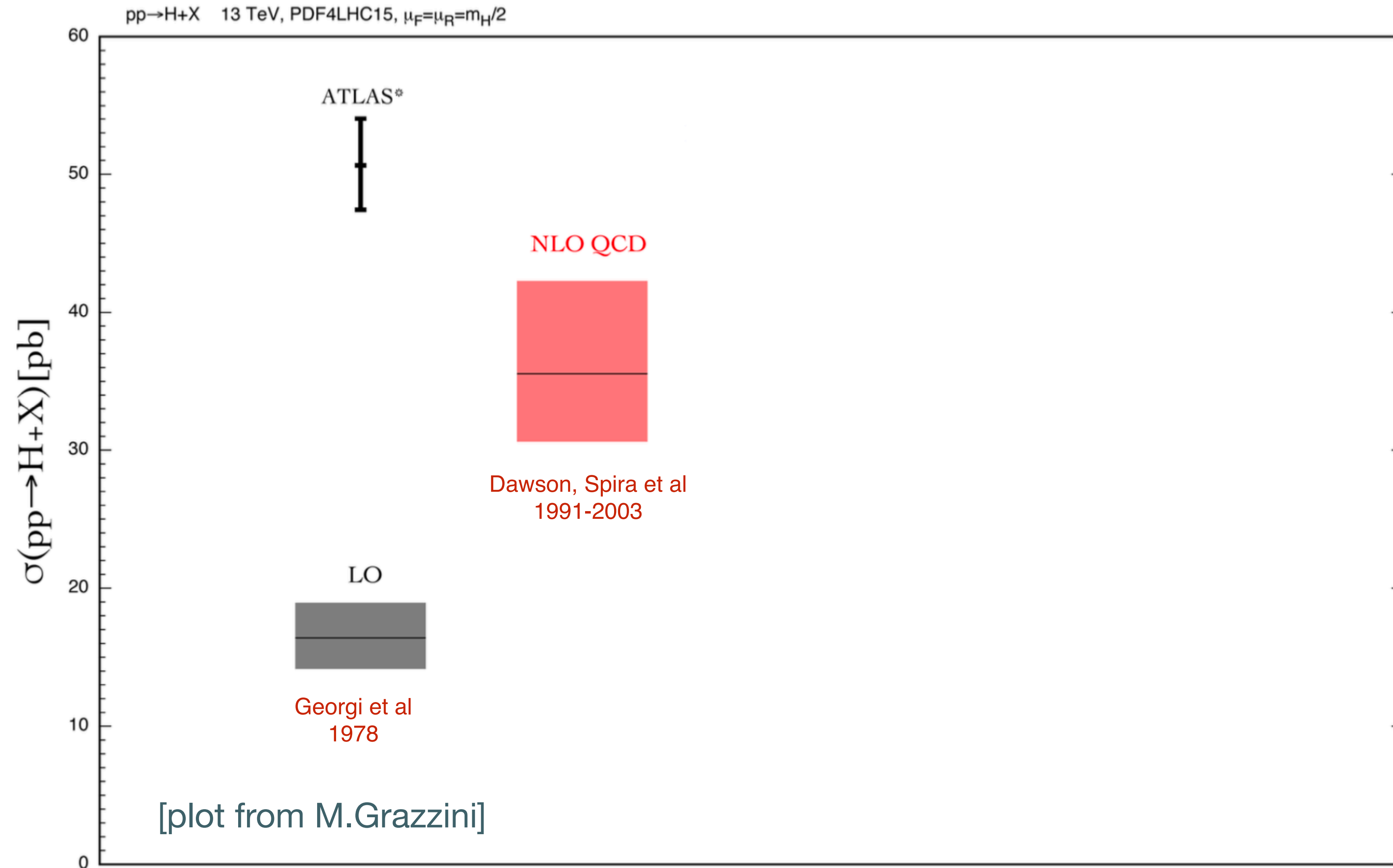
[Mazzitelli, Sotnikov, Wieseman '24]

[Abreu, Chicherin, Ita, Page, Sotnikov, Tschernow, Zoia '23]

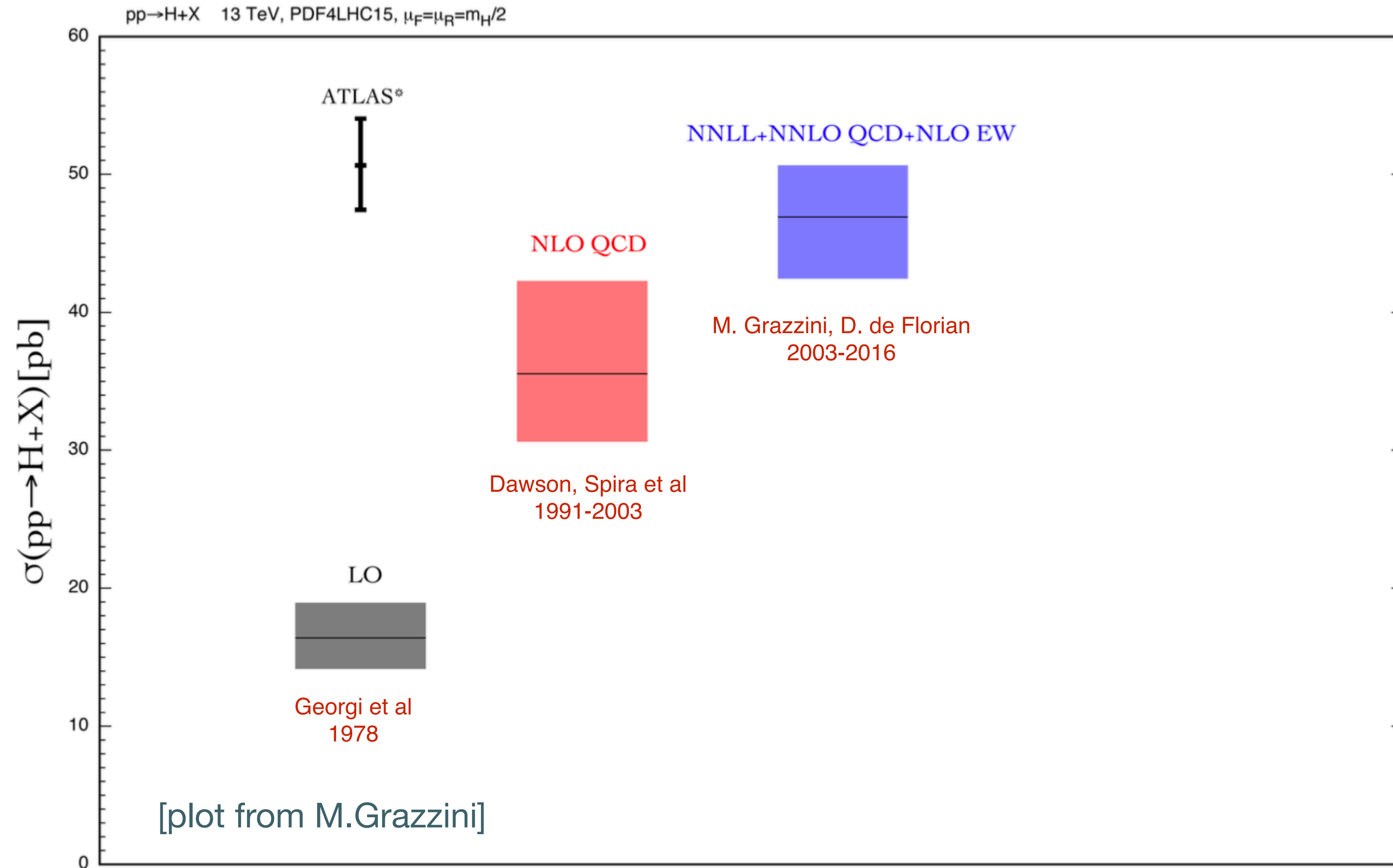
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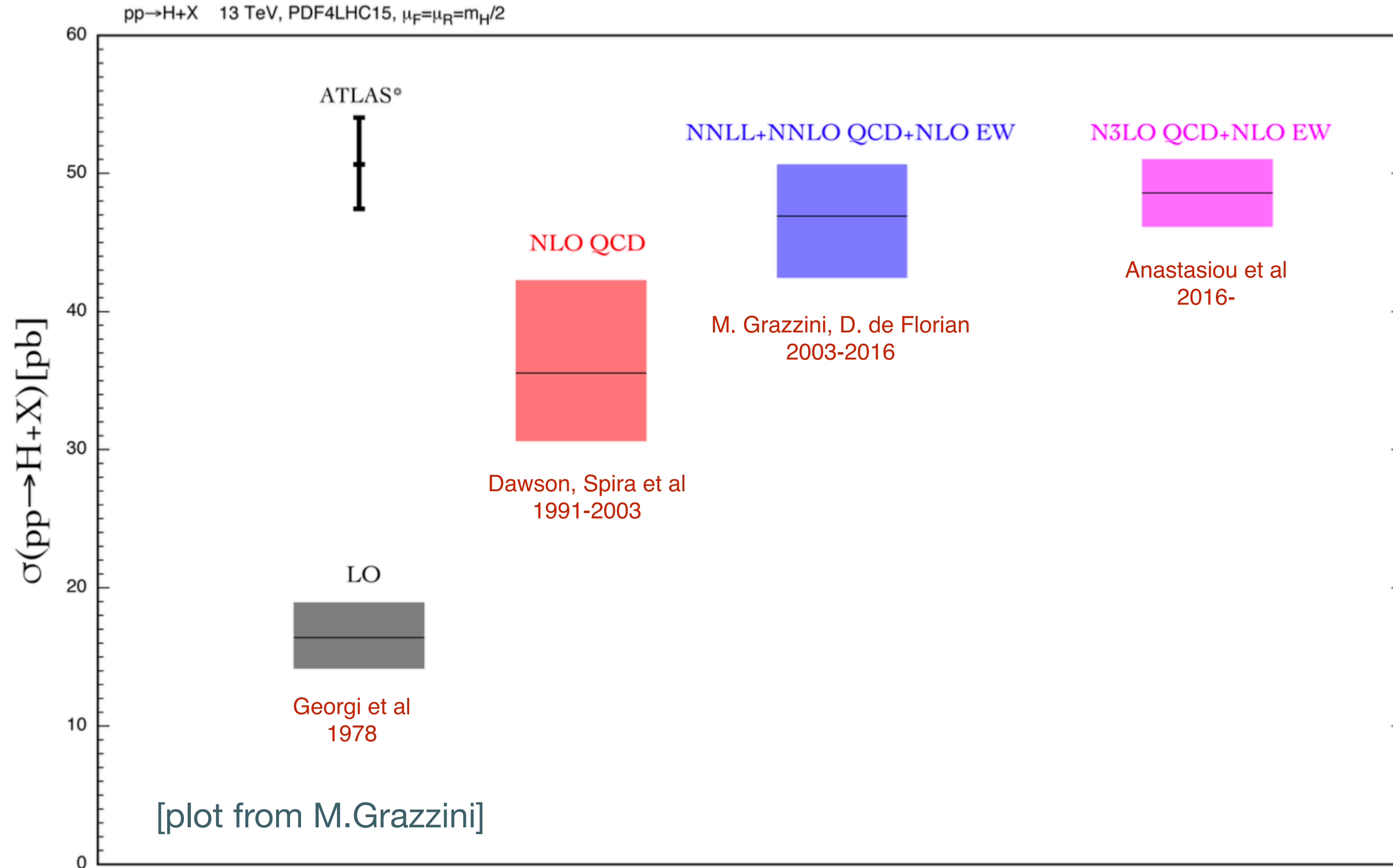
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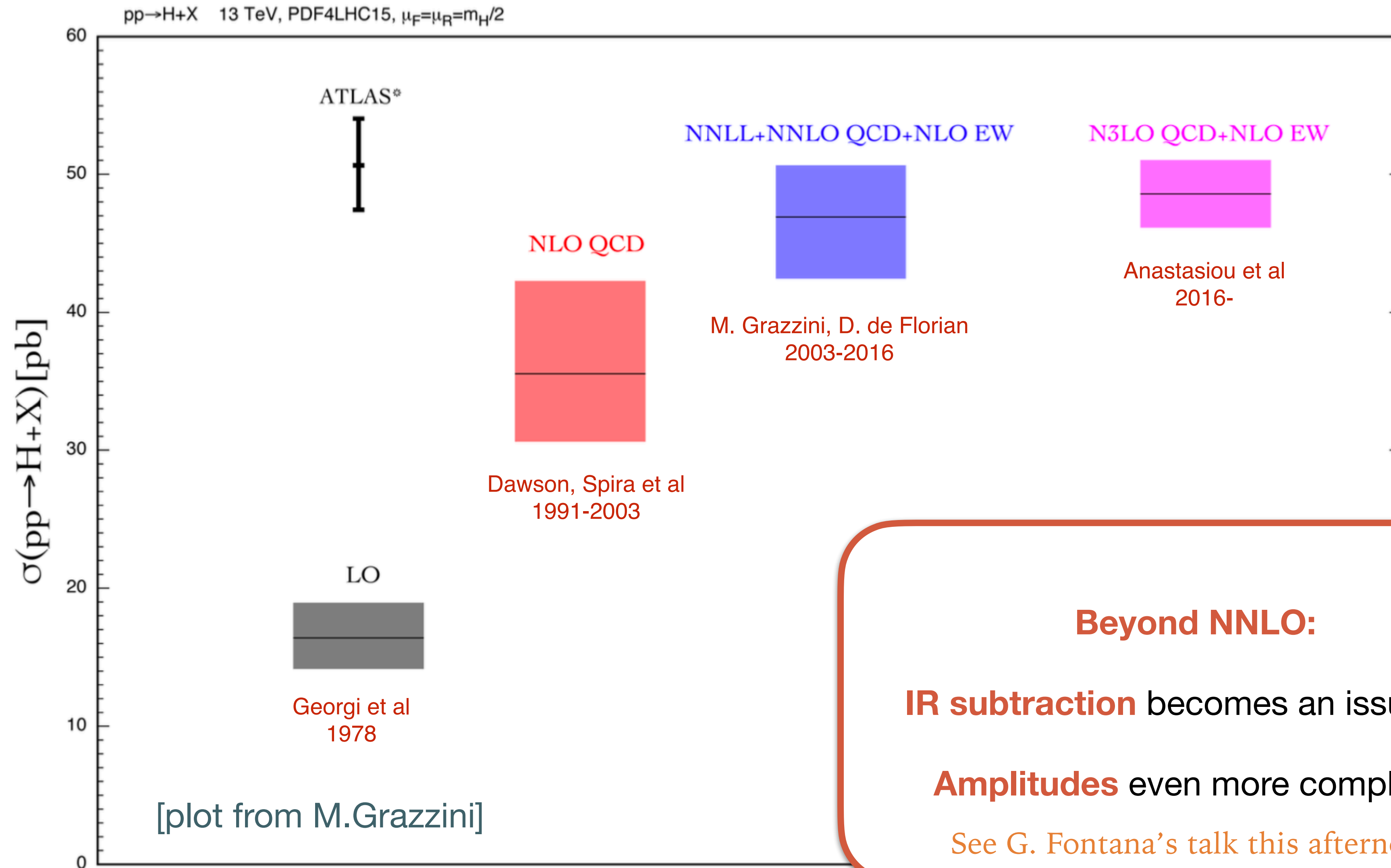
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Beyond NNLO:

IR subtraction becomes an issue again

Amplitudes even more complicated

See G. Fontana's talk this afternoon

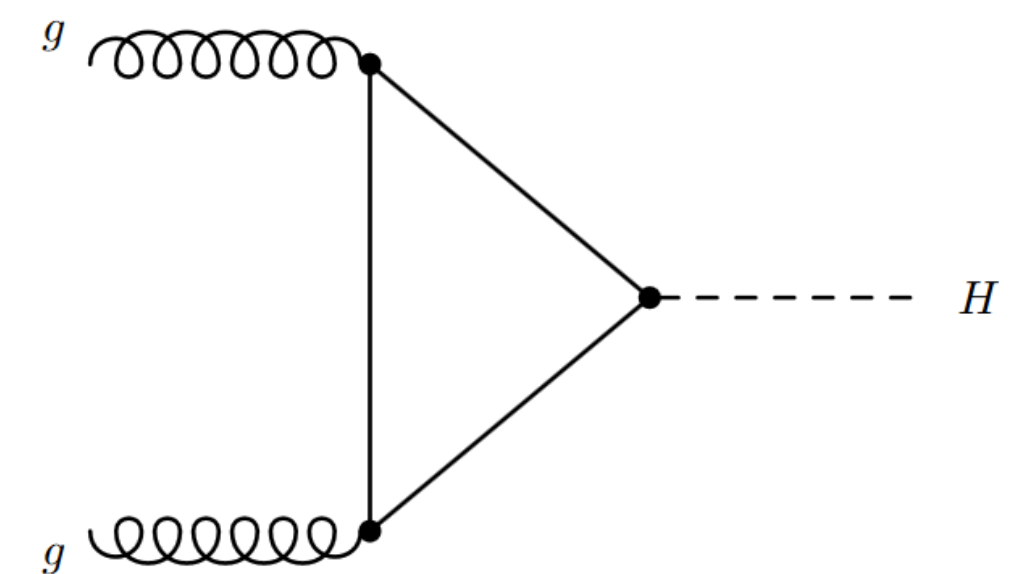
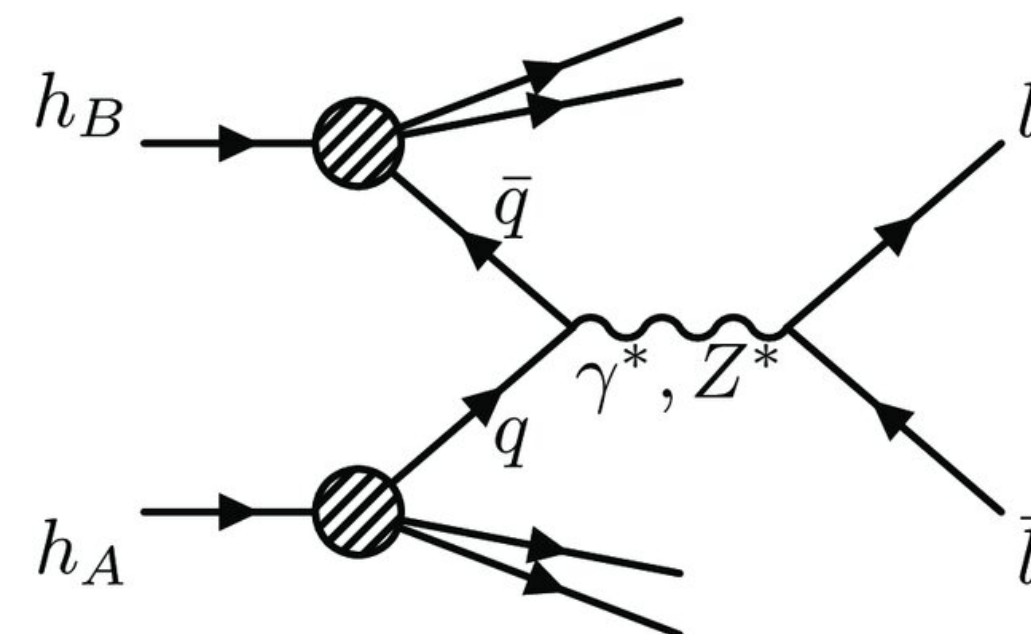
TOWARDS N3LO: THE NEW FRONTIER

Our current ability of **going to N3LO** still rather limited and based on:

- either direct “analytic calculation” of some observables (**reverse unitarity**) [Anastasiou, Melnikov '02] and **Projection to Born** [Cacciari, Dreyer, Karlberg, Salam, Zanderighi '15]
- or slicing techniques based on factorization theorems (**q_T , N-jettines**) [Catani, Grazzini '07] [Boughezal, Focke, Liu, Petriello '16]



First results for $2 \rightarrow 1$ processes (**DY, Higgs**)



TOWARDS N3LO: THE NEW FRONTIER

N3LO INCLUSIVE CROSS SECTIONS

• $gg \rightarrow H$ ✓

[C. Anastasiou, C. Duhr, F. Dulat, F. Herzog, B. Mistlberger '15]

• VBF-H ✓, VBF-HH ✓

[F. Dreyer, A. Karlberg '16, '18]

• $b\bar{b} \rightarrow H$ ✓

[C. Duhr, F. Dulat, B. Mistlberger '19]

• $pp \rightarrow \gamma^*$? , $pp \rightarrow W^\pm$?

[C. Duhr, F. Dulat, B. Mistlberger '20]

• $gg \rightarrow HH$ ✓

[L. Chen, H. Li, H. Shao, J. Wang '20]

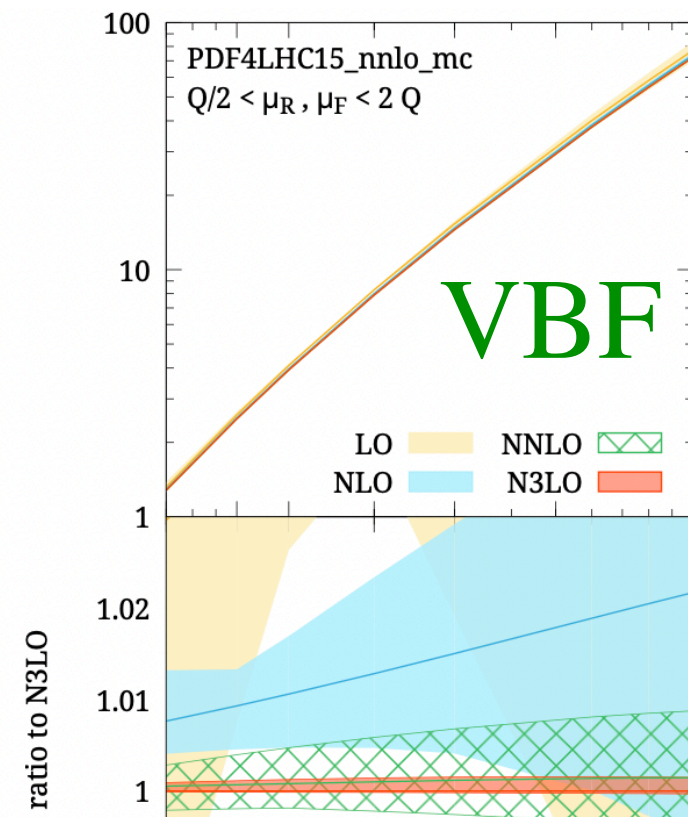
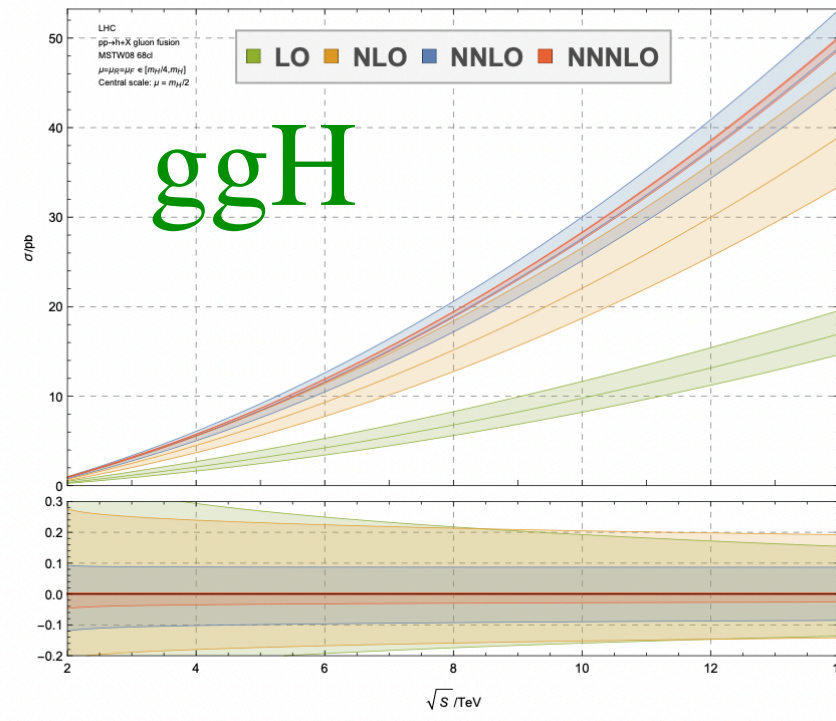
• $pp \rightarrow \gamma^*/Z$?

[C. Duhr, B. Mistlberger '21]

• $pp \rightarrow VH$?

[J. Baglio, C. Duhr, B. Mistlberger, R. Szafron '22]

✓ nice convergence of pert. expansion



• Projection-to-Born

• $gg \rightarrow H$

[Chen, Gehrmann, Glover, AH, Mistlberger, Pelloni '21]

• q_T subtraction

• $gg \rightarrow H$

[Billis, Dehnadi, Ebert, Michel, Tackmann '21]

• $pp \rightarrow \gamma^*$

[Chen, Gehrmann, Glover, AH, Yang, Zhu, '21]

• $pp \rightarrow Z$

[Camarda, Cieri, Ferrera '21]

[NNLOJET + RadISH '22]

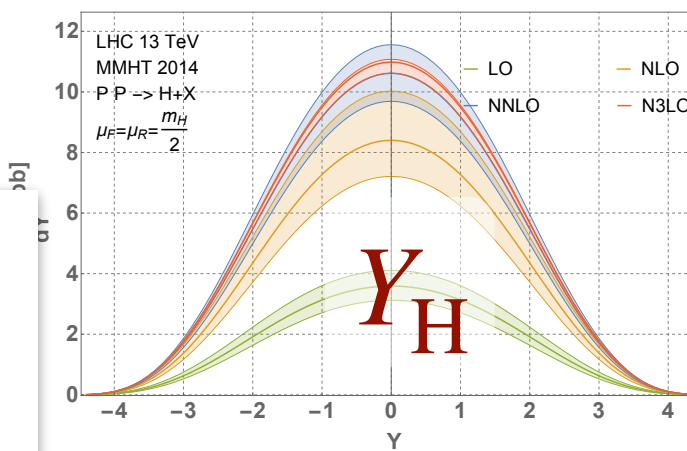
[Neumann, Campbell '22]

• $pp \rightarrow W$

[Chen, Gehrmann, Glover, AH, Yang, Zhu '22]

FULLY DIFFERENTIAL ggH @ N3LO

• only non-trivial observable:



• restore differential info

$$\frac{d\sigma^{N^k\text{LO}}}{d\mathcal{O}} = \frac{d\sigma_{F,\text{inc}}^{N^k\text{LO}}}{d\mathcal{O}_B}$$

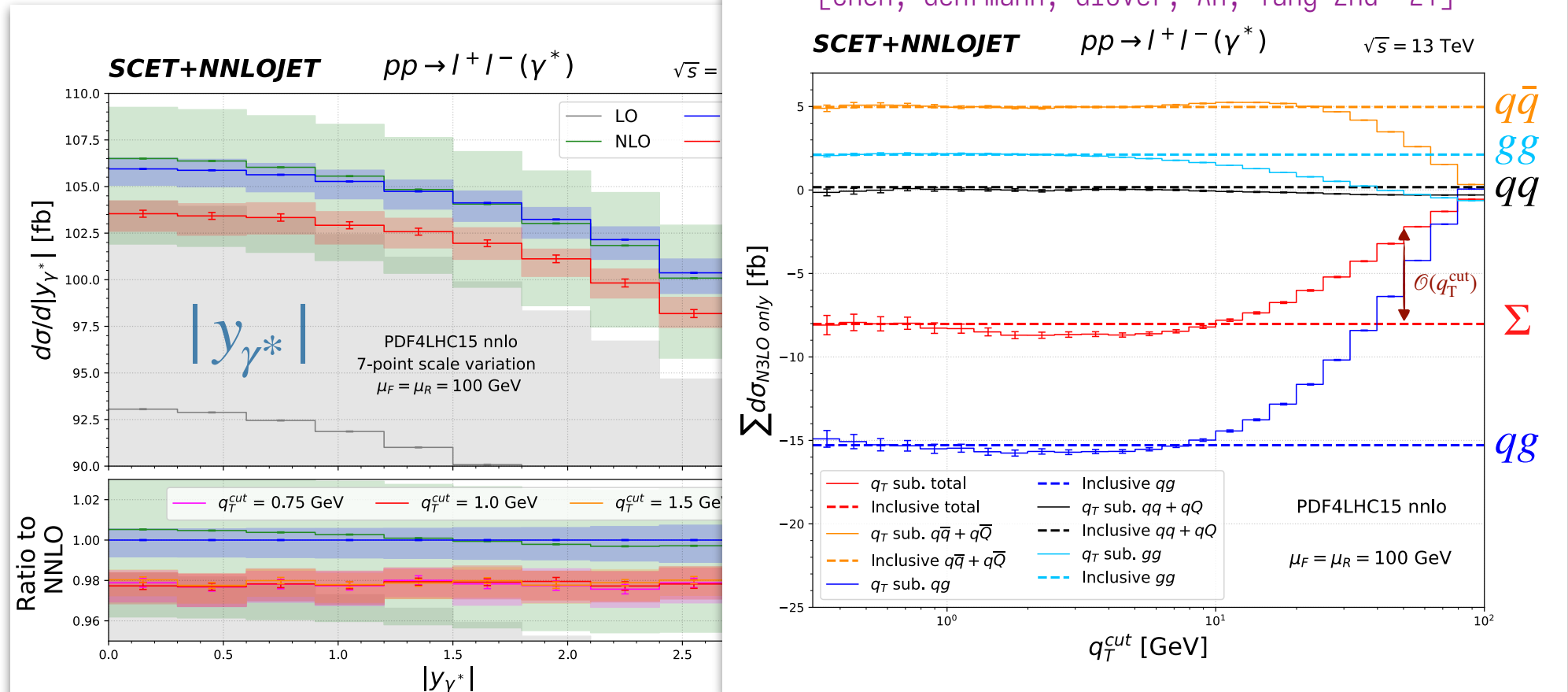
$$\left\{ \frac{d\sigma_{F+\text{jet}}^{N^k-1\text{LO}}}{d\mathcal{O}} - \frac{d\sigma_{F+\text{jet}}^{N^k-1\text{LO}}}{d\mathcal{O}} \Big|_{\mathcal{O} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_B} \right\}$$

projection to Born

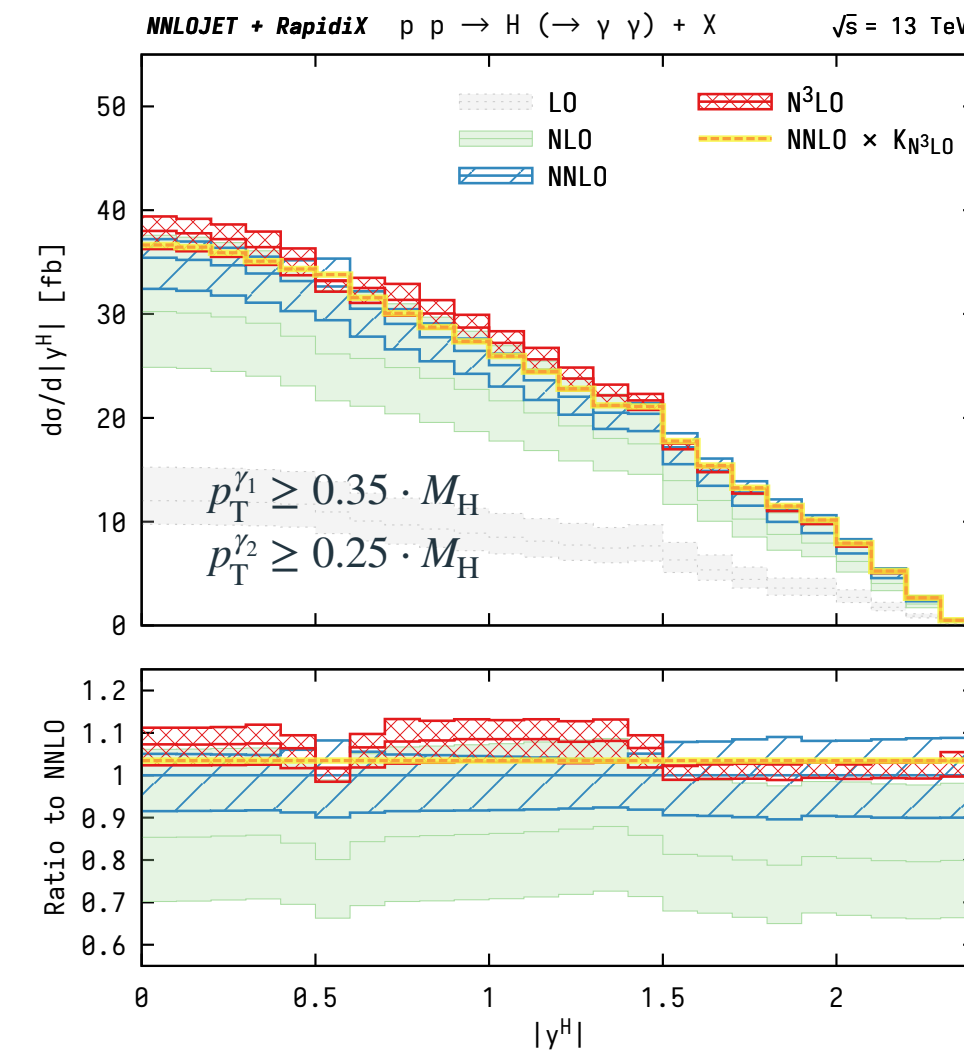
[Chen, Gehrmann, Glover, AH, Mistlberger, Pelloni '21]

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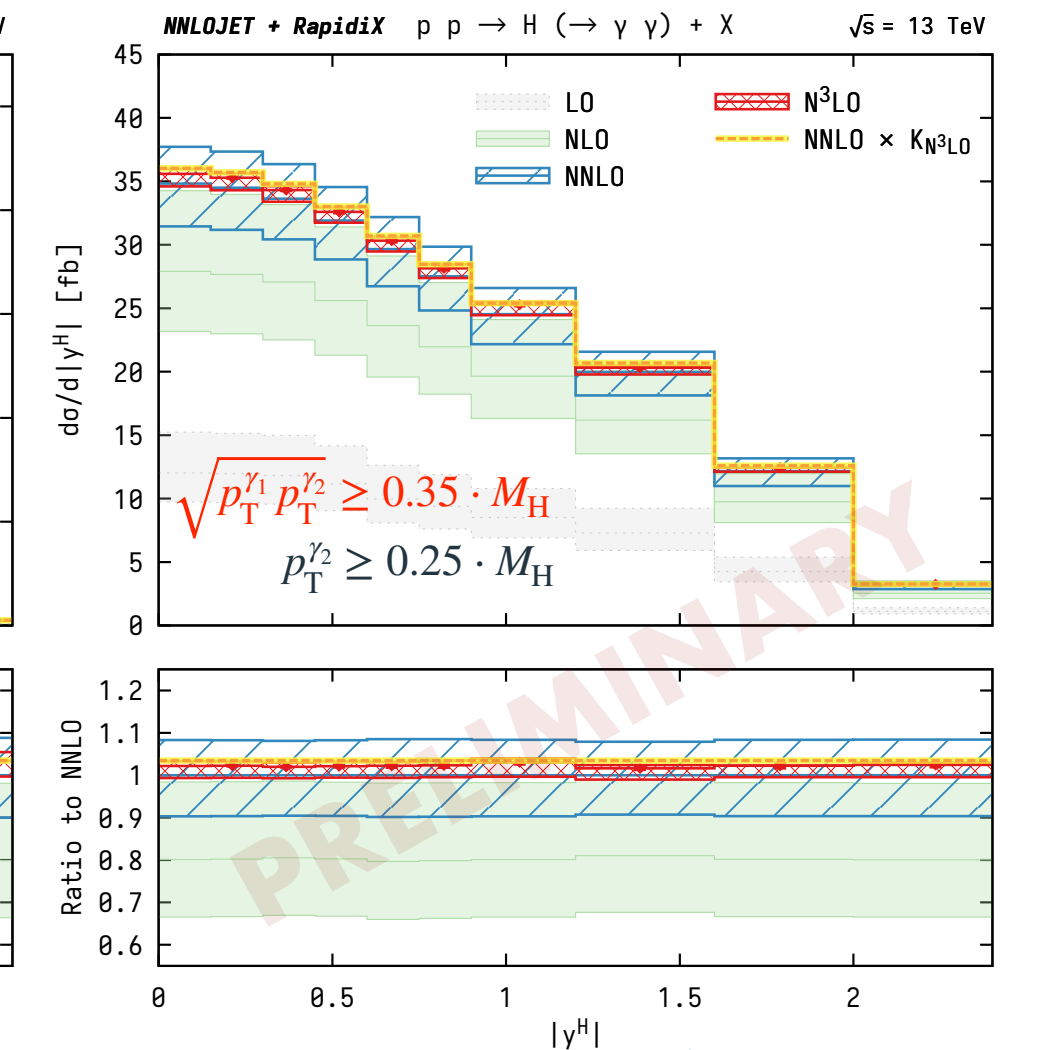
[Salam, Slade '21]



ATLAS CUTS



PRODUCT CUTS



no instabilities & flat K-factor: $N^3\text{LO} \simeq \text{NNLO} \times K_{N^3\text{LO}}$

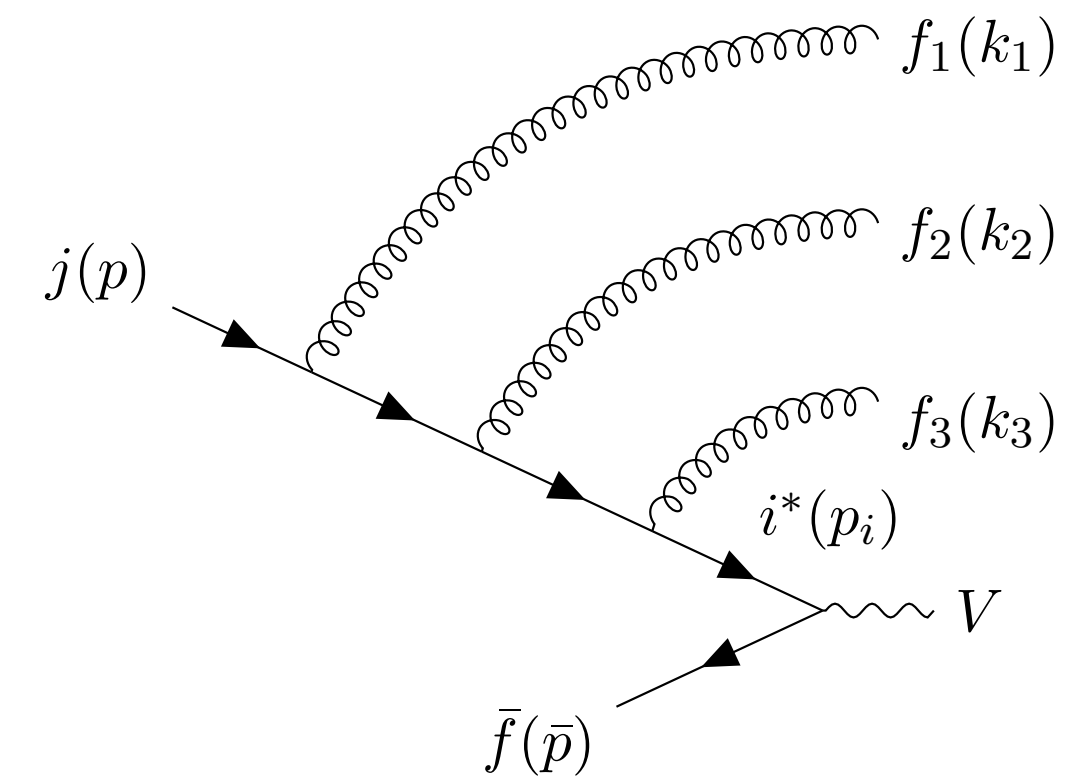
TOWARDS N3LO: THE NEW FRONTIER

Impressive effort to compute all **missing ingredients for slicing methods to N3LO**

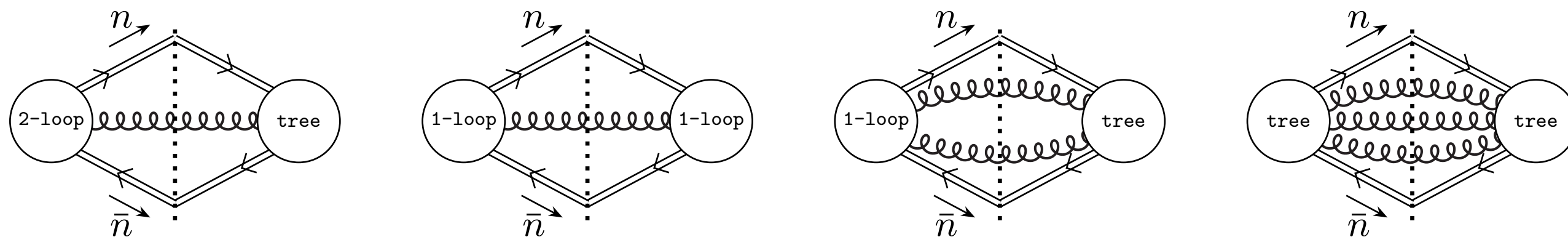
- N-jettiness **Beam Functions**

[Ebert, Mistlberger, Vita '20]

[Baranowski, Behring, Melnikov, Rietkerk, Tancredi, Wever '17,'19,'22]



- **zero-jettiness soft function** (for color singlet) [Baranowski, Delto, Melnikov, Pikelner, Wang '24]



- recent progress on **generalization of Antenna's to N3LO** See G. Fontana's talk this afternoon

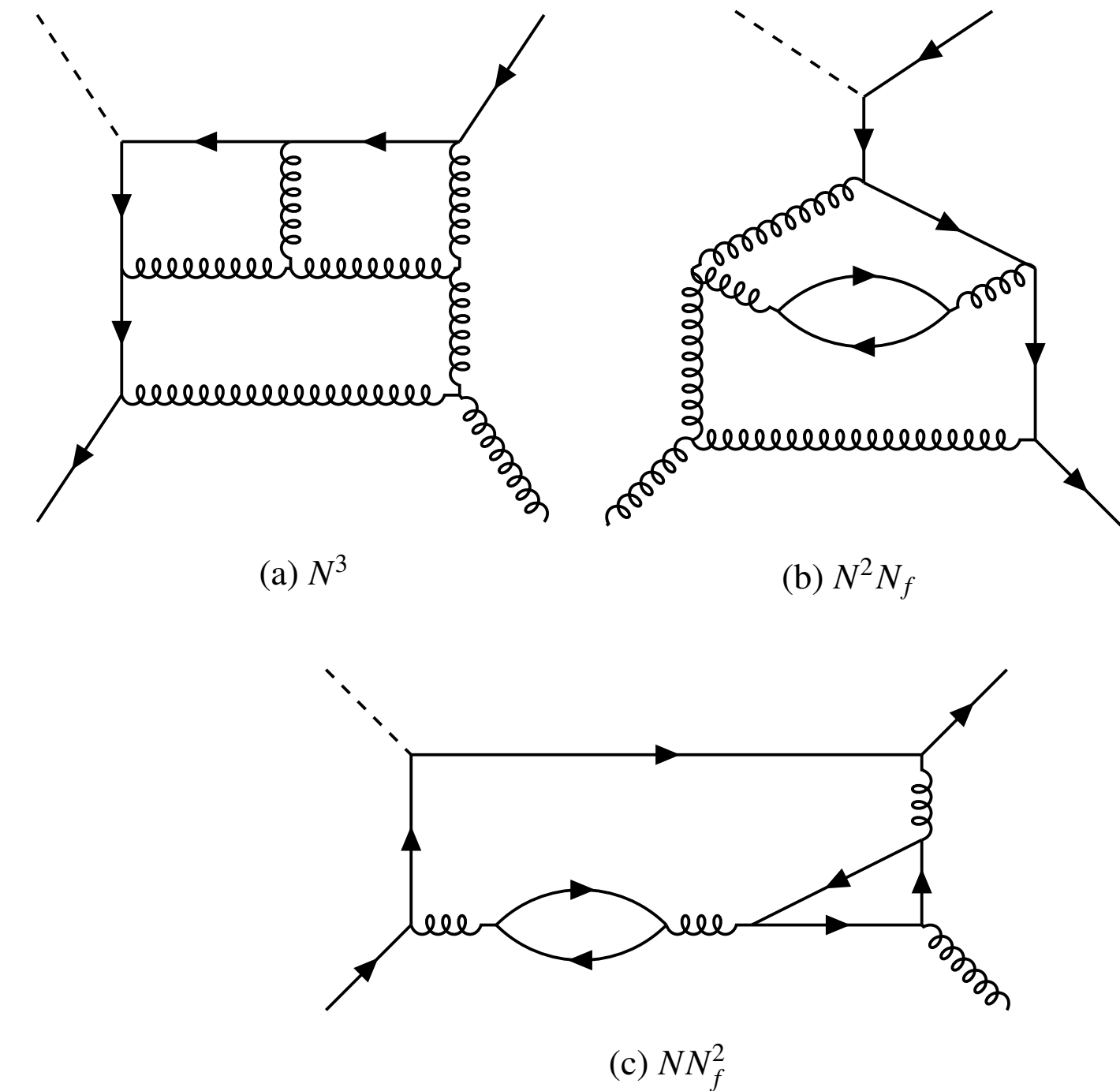
TOWARDS N3LO: THE NEW FRONTIER (FOR AMPLITUDES TOO)

First 3 loop amplitudes with **one off-shell external leg**

- **3 loop** leading-color amplitudes for $q\bar{q} \rightarrow \{Z_j, W_j\}$

[Vita, Mastrolia, Schubert, Yundin, Syrrakos '14] [Canko, Syrrakos '21]

[Gehrmann, Jakubcik, Mella, Syrrakos, Tancredi '23]



- **3 loop master integrals** for leading color amplitudes for $pp \rightarrow Hj$

[Bobadilla, Henn, Lim, '23] [Canko, Syrrakos '23]

[Bobadilla, Gehrmann, Henn, Jakubcik, Lim, Mella, Syrrakos, LT *to appear soon*]

CONCLUSIONS

1. Colliders remain some of the most flexible (multi-purpose) experiments to investigate fundamental questions in physics
2. Higher-order corrections crucial to precision physics studies: QCD, QCD-EW, pure EW ...
3. QCD NNLO calculations for $2 \rightarrow 3$ have become a reality!
4. Breaking the QCD N3LO barrier seems to be also around the corner (including progress on PDF evolution): amplitudes are on the way, progress on IR subtraction.
5. Accounting for QCD-EW and pure EW to higher order becomes increasingly important

Exciting developments all over! Stay tuned...!

THANK YOU!

