

# A Guide to Diagnosing Colored Resonances at Hadron Colliders

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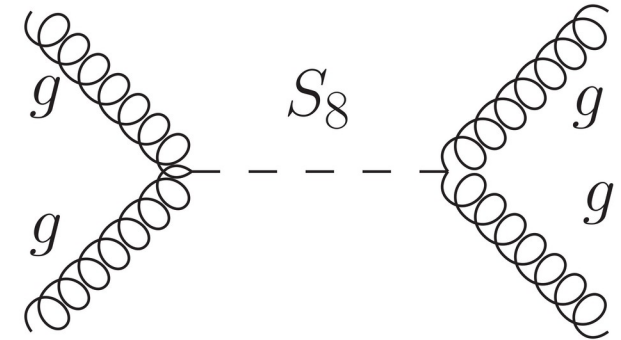
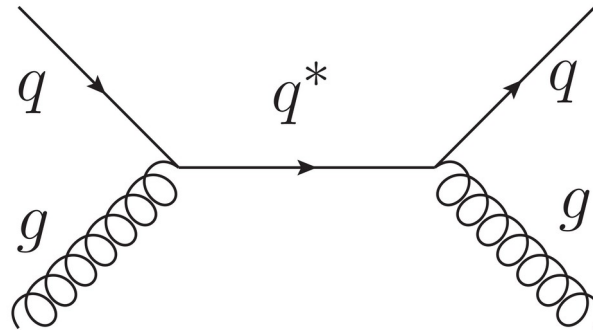
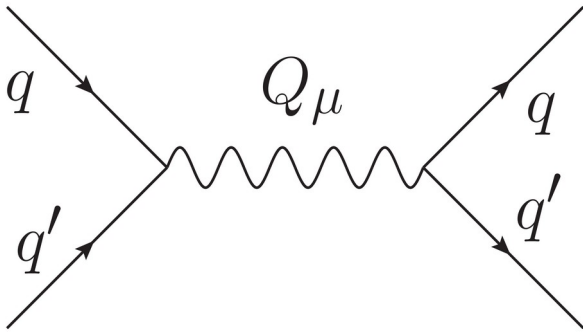
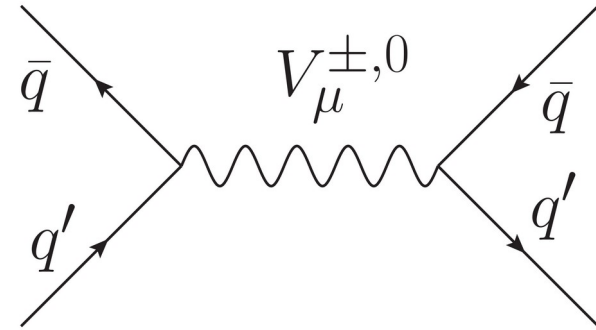
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# Why dijets?

- LHC is essentially a QCD machine.
- Most initial states are charged under QCD.
- Dijet resonances are among the most natural objects to search for.
  - If it's produced by a pair of partons, it can decay back into the partons.
- Finite number of possible initial states (ignoring EW only particles):
  - Quarks, gluons, and anti-quarks.
  - Can classify all quantum numbers.



# Dijet Resonances

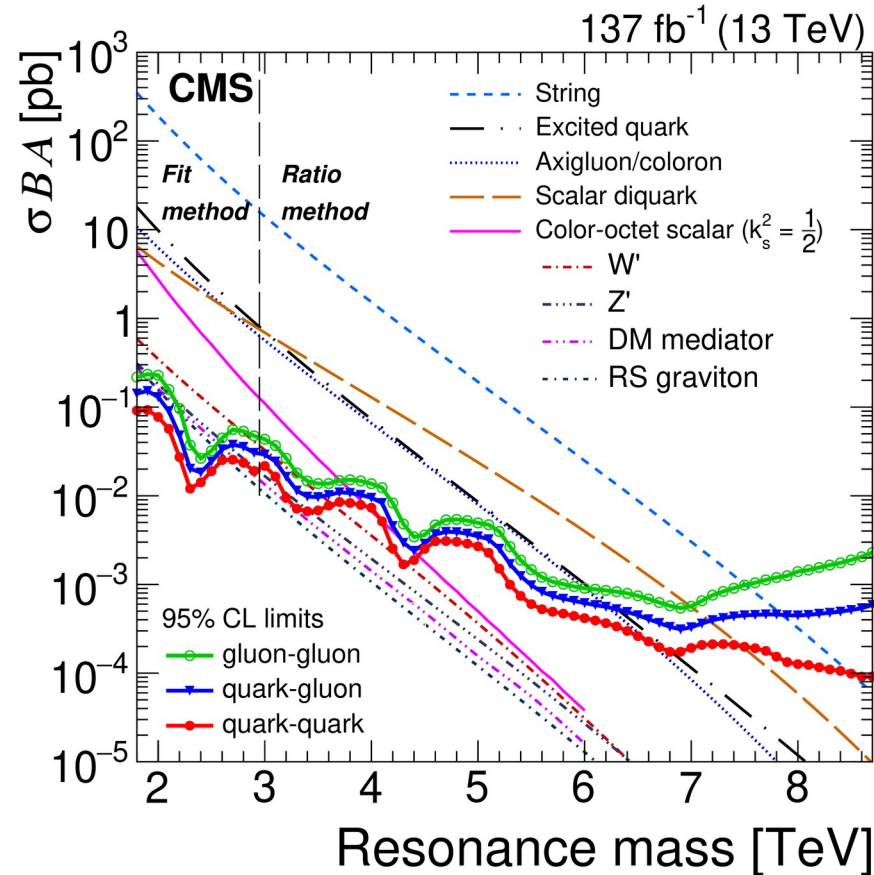
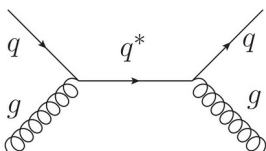
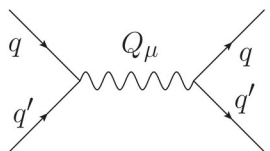
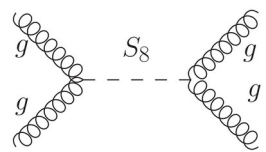
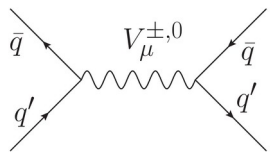
- Know the initial states:
  - Can characterize quantum numbers of possible dijet resonances.
  - Q: Left-handed doublets
  - U,D: Right-handed singlets
  - A: gluons

initial state	$J$	$SU(3)_C$	$SU(2)_L$	$U(1)_Y$	$ Q_e $	$B$
$QQ$	0	$\bar{\mathbf{3}} \oplus \mathbf{6}$	$\mathbf{1} \oplus \mathbf{3}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{4}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$
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$UU$	0	$\bar{\mathbf{3}} \oplus \mathbf{6}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\frac{4}{3}$	$\frac{4}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$
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$DA$	$\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}$	$\mathbf{3} \oplus \bar{\mathbf{6}} \oplus \mathbf{15}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{3}$
$AA$	0, 1, 2	$\mathbf{1} \oplus \mathbf{8} \oplus \mathbf{8} \oplus \mathbf{10} \oplus \bar{\mathbf{10}} \oplus \mathbf{27}$	$\mathbf{1}$	0	0	0
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# Dijet Resonances

- Many searches at the LHC for such resonances.
- No discovery yet, but what if there is one?
- Need to experimentally classify the dijet resonance.
  - Type of jets are hard to distinguish and the initial state is unknown.
  - Which partons does it couple to?
  - What is its spin?
  - What is its color representation?

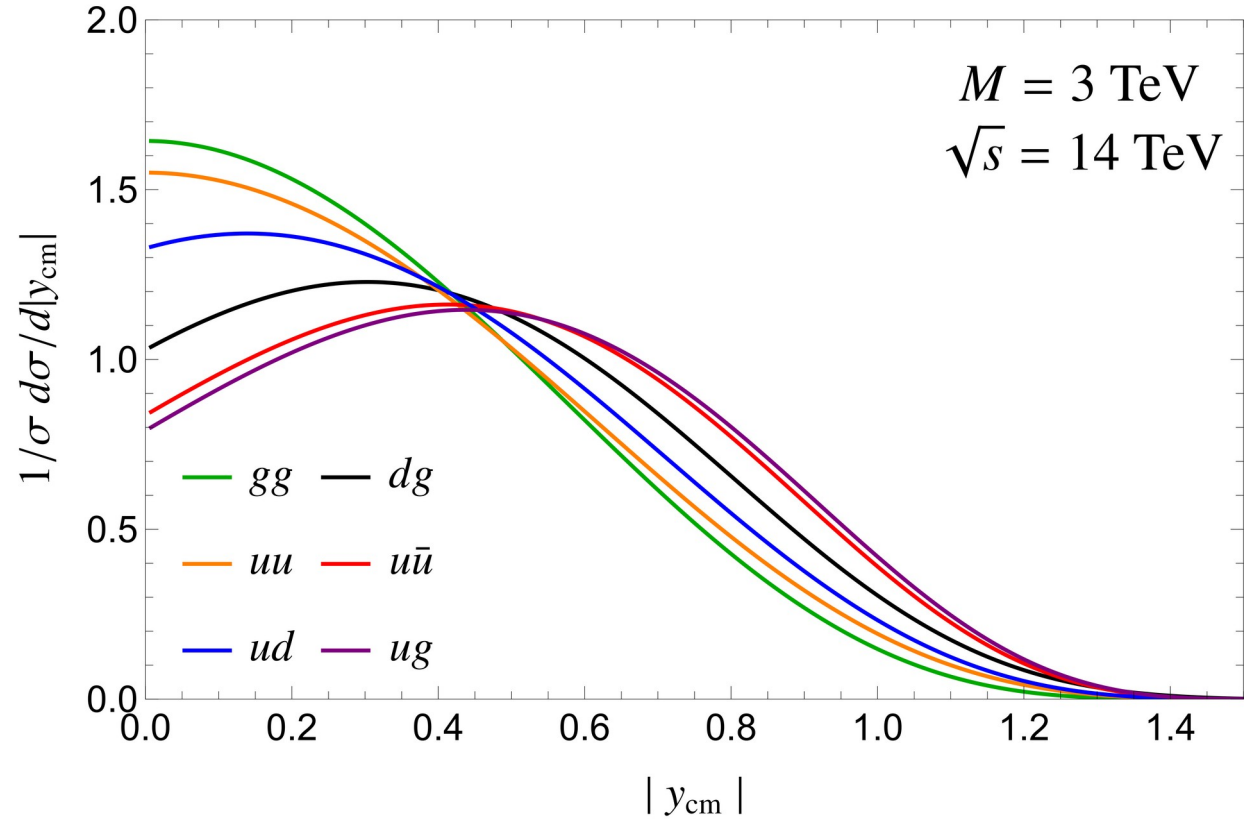


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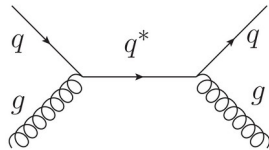
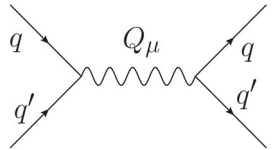
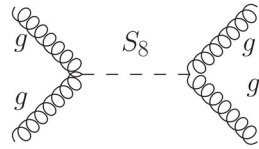
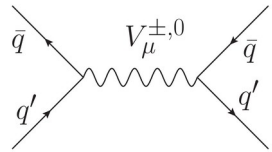
- Rapidity distribution of resonance has information about initial state parton.
  - Gluons, sea, and anti-quarks tend to carry small amounts of the proton momentum
  - Valence quarks carry tend to carry large fractions of proton momentum
  - Hence, centrality of rapidity distribution depends on initial state partons.
- Assuming decays into same states.
  - Can try to tag quark vs. gluon vs. anti-quark jets.
  - Heard some about jet charge from Zhongtian (Cosmos) Dong on Monday.

# Couplings to Particles

$M = 3 \text{ TeV}$   
 $\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$



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- Spin correlations.
  - Depending on chiral couplings, get different spin correlations.
  - Can measure with angular distributions.
- On-shell angular distributions in resonance rest frame.
  - Each higher spin gains new power of polar angle
  - Assuming jets cannot be distinguished, will symmetrize.
  - Cannot distinguish chiral couplings, but can (mostly) distinguish different spins.

$$\text{Spin 1/2: } \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{1/2}}{d \cos \theta} = \frac{1}{2} \hat{\sigma}_{1/2}(\hat{s} = M^2) \left( 1 + \frac{|\lambda_{i,L}|^2 - |\lambda_{i,R}|^2}{|\lambda_{i,L}|^2 + |\lambda_{i,R}|^2} \frac{|\lambda_{f,L}|^2 - |\lambda_{f,R}|^2}{|\lambda_{f,L}|^2 + |\lambda_{f,R}|^2} \cos \theta \right)$$

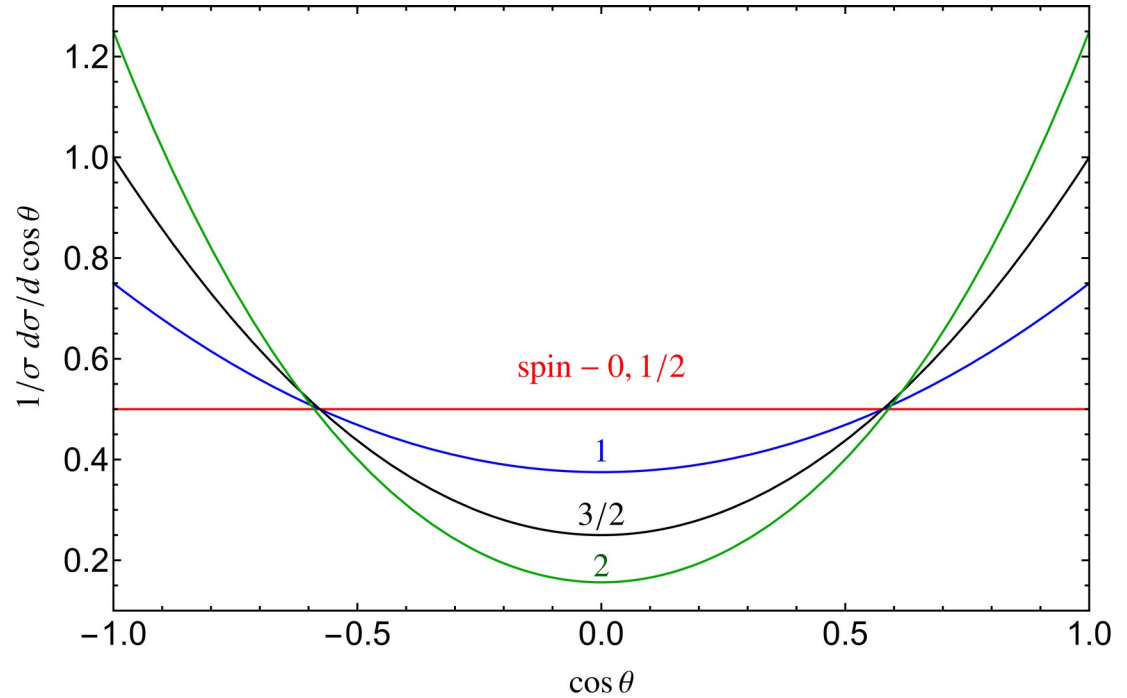
$$\text{Spin 1: } \left. \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_1}{d \cos \theta} \right|_{g_L=g_R} = \frac{3}{8} \hat{\sigma}_1(\hat{s})(1 + \cos^2 \theta)$$

$$\text{Spin 3/2: } \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{3/2}}{d \cos \theta} = \frac{1}{2} \hat{\sigma}_{3/2}(\hat{s} = M^2) \left[ 1 + 3 \cos^2 \theta + \frac{|\lambda_{i,L}|^2 - |\lambda_{i,R}|^2}{|\lambda_{i,L}|^2 + |\lambda_{i,R}|^2} \frac{|\lambda_{f,L}|^2 - |\lambda_{f,R}|^2}{|\lambda_{f,L}|^2 + |\lambda_{f,R}|^2} \cos \theta (3 + \cos^2 \theta) \right]$$

$$\text{Spin 2: } \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_2}{d \cos \theta} = \frac{5}{32} \sigma_2(\hat{s}) (1 + 6 \cos^2 \theta + \cos^4 \theta)$$

# Angular Distributions

- Assuming we cannot distinguish final state jets, symmetrize distributions.
- Most resonances distinguishable.
  - Spin-0 and Spin-1/2 not distinguishable after symmetrizing.



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# Color Charge

- Many resonances only differ by color representation.
  - Same spin.
  - Same coupling to partons.
  - Same charge.
- How do we tell them apart?

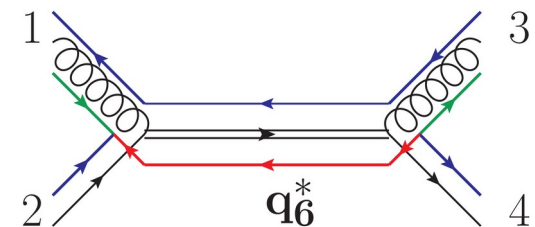
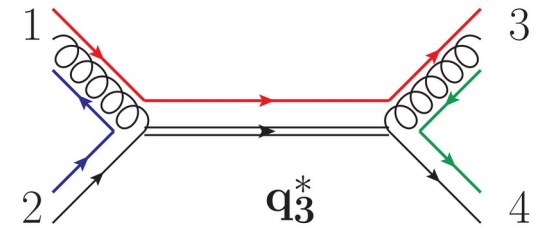
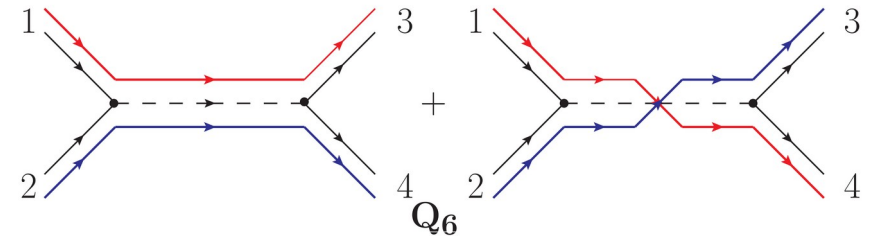
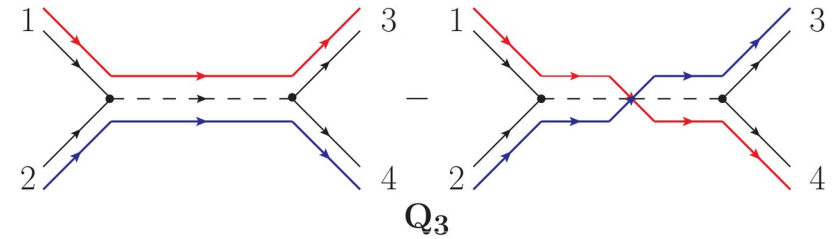
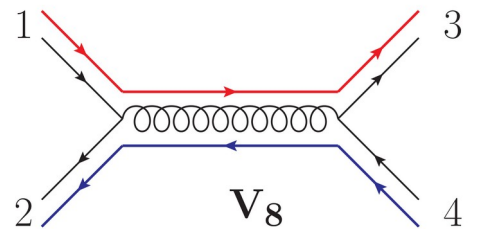
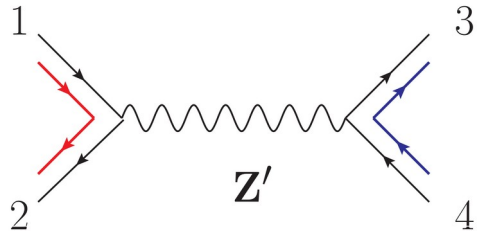
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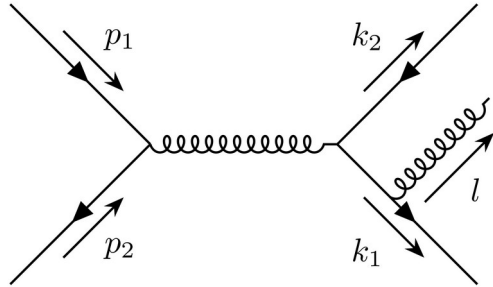


# Color Charge

- Several resonances have same quantum numbers except color.
  - Need to distinguish
- Two-to-two not sufficient and insensitive to color.
- Look at additional radiation of a gluon.
  - Can be sensitive to interference patterns between different color connected lines.
  - Different resonance have different color connections.



# Soft/Collinear Radiation



$$[k_i k_j] = \frac{k_i \cdot k_j}{l \cdot k_i l \cdot k_j}$$

- Take soft and collinear limit of radiated gluon.
  - Different elements are sensitive to different radiation patterns.
  - Studied for octet vs. singlet previously.
- [Ellis, Khoze, Stirling, Z.Phys. C75 \(1997\) 287](#)

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Quark-  
Antiquark:

$$\frac{|\mathcal{M}_{2 \rightarrow V_1 \rightarrow 3}|^2}{|\mathcal{M}_{2 \rightarrow V_1 \rightarrow 2}|^2} \propto g_s^2 ([p_1 p_2] + [k_1 k_2]).$$

$$\frac{|\mathcal{M}_{2 \rightarrow V_8 \rightarrow 3}|^2}{|\mathcal{M}_{2 \rightarrow V_8 \rightarrow 2}|^2} \propto g_s^2 \left\{ \left(1 - \frac{2}{N_C^2}\right) ([p_1 k_1] + [p_2 k_2]) + \frac{2}{N_C^2} ([p_1 k_2] + [p_2 k_1]) - \frac{1}{N_C^2} ([p_1 p_2] + [k_1 k_2]) \right\}$$

Quark-  
Quark:

$$\frac{|\mathcal{M}_{2 \rightarrow Q_3 \rightarrow 3}|^2}{|\mathcal{M}_{2 \rightarrow Q_3 \rightarrow 2}|^2} \propto g_s^2 \left\{ [p_1 k_1] + [p_2 k_2] + [p_1 k_2] + [p_2 k_1] + 2([p_1 p_2] + [k_1 k_2]) \right\}$$

$$\frac{|\mathcal{M}_{2 \rightarrow Q_6 \rightarrow 3}|^2}{|\mathcal{M}_{2 \rightarrow Q_6 \rightarrow 2}|^2} \propto g_s^2 \left\{ [p_1 k_1] + [p_2 k_2] + [p_1 k_2] + [p_2 k_1] - \frac{2}{5}([p_1 p_2] + [k_1 k_2]) \right\}$$

Quark-  
Gluon:

$$\frac{|\mathcal{M}_{2 \rightarrow Q_3^* \rightarrow 3}|^2}{|\mathcal{M}_{2 \rightarrow Q_3^* \rightarrow 2}|^2} \propto g_s^2 \left\{ [p_1 k_1] + \frac{8}{9}([p_2 p_1] + [k_2 k_1]) - \frac{1}{9}([p_2 k_1] + [k_2 p_1]) + \frac{1}{81}[p_2 k_2] \right\}$$

$$\frac{|\mathcal{M}_{2 \rightarrow Q_6^* \rightarrow 3}|^2}{|\mathcal{M}_{2 \rightarrow Q_6^* \rightarrow 2}|^2} \propto g_s^2 \left\{ [p_1 k_1] + \frac{1}{3}([p_2 k_1] + [k_2 p_1]) + \frac{4}{15}([p_2 p_1] + [k_2 k_1]) + \frac{1}{9}[p_2 k_2] \right\}$$

Gluon-  
Gluon:

$$\frac{|\mathcal{M}_{2 \rightarrow S_8 \rightarrow 3}|^2}{|\mathcal{M}_{2 \rightarrow S_8 \rightarrow 2}|^2} \propto g_s^2 \left\{ [p_1 p_2] + [k_1 k_2] + \frac{1}{2}([p_1 k_1] + [p_2 k_1] + [p_1 k_2] + [p_2 k_2]) \right\}$$

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# Cross Section Scaling

- Additional radiation scaling.
  - Radiation of gluon is sensitive to color structure at vertices.
  - Ratio of 3-jet to 2-jet rates contain information about this.
  - In general, can take ratio of n+1 jets to n-jets to understand how radiation of different processes scale.

[Englert, et al PRD83 \(2011\) 095009, JHEP02 \(2012\) 030; Gerwick, Plehn, Schumann PRL108 \(2012\) 032003; etc.](#)

$$R_{(n+1)/n} = \frac{\sigma_{2 \rightarrow n+1}}{\sigma_{2 \rightarrow n}}$$

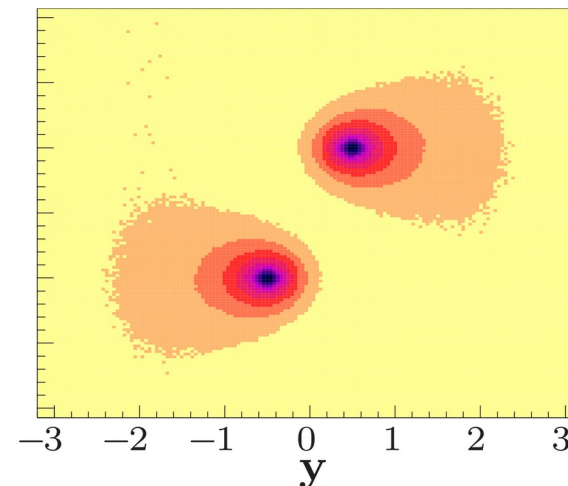
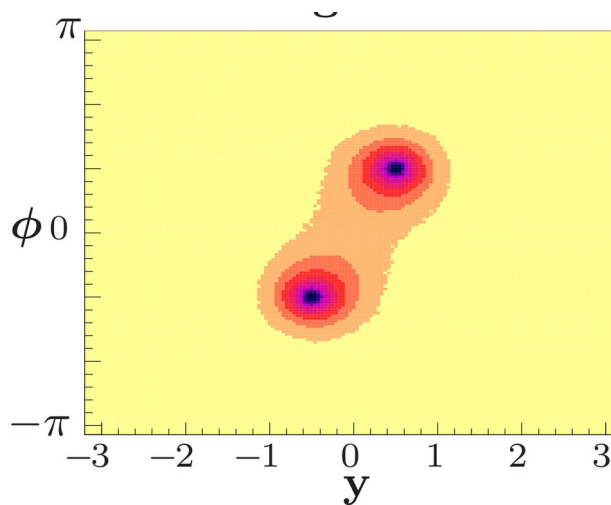
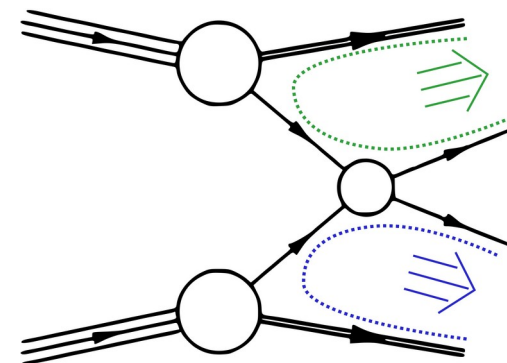
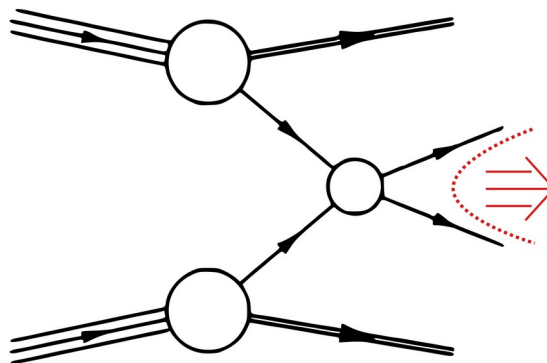
Initial	Color	Spin	Type	$R_{3/2}$
$3 \otimes 3$	3	0	$D_3$	0.41
		1	$E_3^\mu$	0.41
			$D_3^\mu$	0.40
			$U_3^\mu$	0.39
	6	0	$E_6$	0.29
			$D_6$	0.29
			$U_6$	0.28
		1	$E_6^\mu$	0.29
			$D_6^\mu$	0.28
			$U_6^\mu$	0.27
$3 \otimes 8$	3	$\frac{1}{2}$	$U_3^*$	0.61
			$D_3^*$	0.59
$8 \otimes 8$	$8_S$	0	$S_8$	0.69
		2	$T_8$	0.70
$3 \otimes \bar{3}$	$8_A$	1	$V_8$	0.27
			$V_8^\pm$	0.26

**Table 2:** Ratios of  $2 \rightarrow 3$  resonant production cross-section over  $2 \rightarrow 2$  processes at parton level with  $p_T^j > 200$  GeV,  $|\eta_j| < 3.0$ , and  $\Delta R_{jj} > 0.4$  at the 14 TeV LHC. The mass of all color resonances is set to be 3 TeV and the width is set to be 30 GeV.

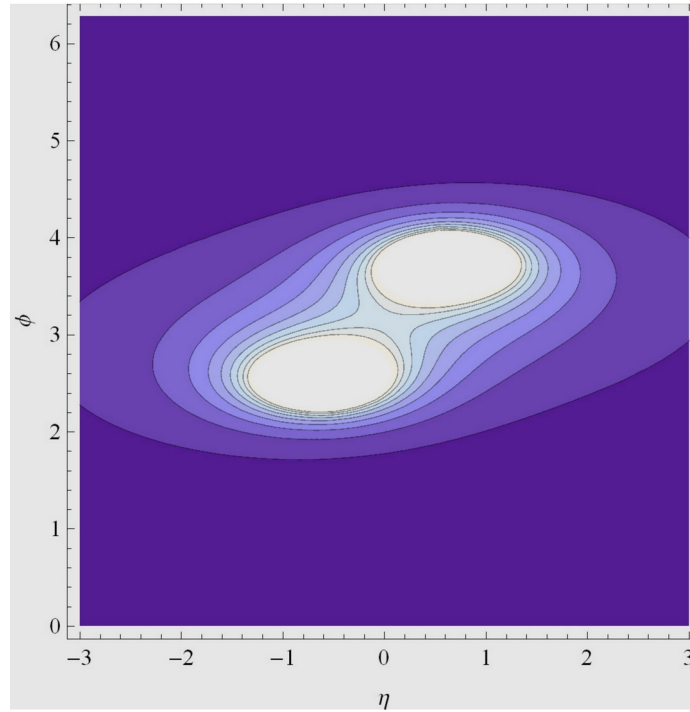
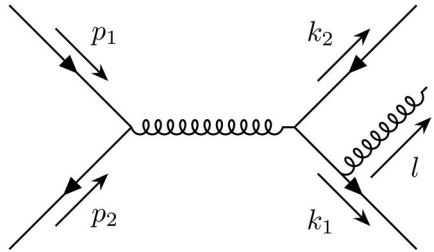
# Additional Color Sensitive Observables

- Radiation pattern depends on color of resonance.
  - Has also been used to try to separate signal from backgrounds.
- Most work focused on singlets vs. octets.
- Past analysis often boosted the resonance.
  - Decay products closer together.
  - Radiation squeezed between the partons.
- Want to move beyond.
  - Saw radiation patterns depended on initial state and resonance color representations.
  - Look at resonance in two-to-two process without boosting.

Hook, et al JHEP04(2011) 007;  
 Kim, et al JHEP09 (2019) 047;  
 Cakroborty et al, JHEP19 (2020) 135;  
 Ellis et al PLB154 (1985) 435;  
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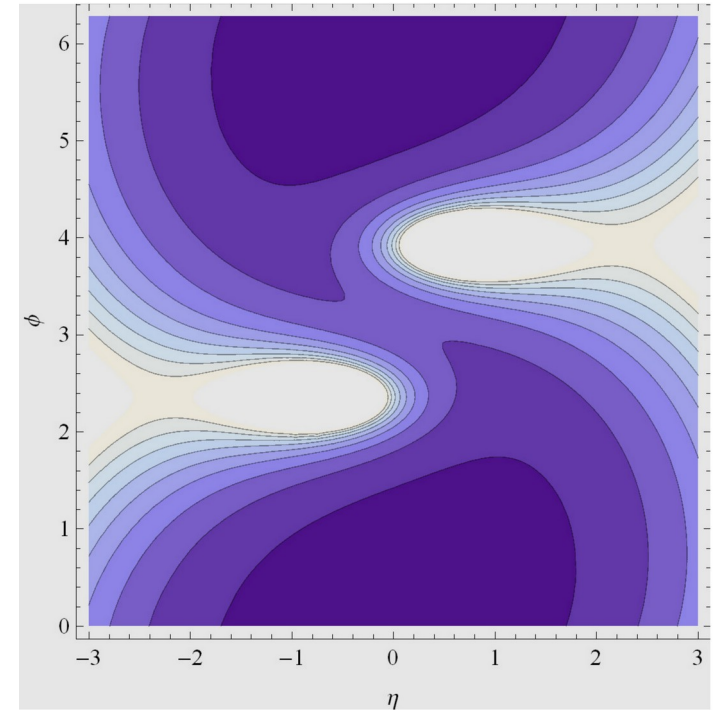


# Measuring Radiation Patterns



$$l_T^2[k_1 k_2]$$

Final-Final



$$l_T^2[p k]$$

Initial-Final

- Radiation between particles that are color connected.
- Create observable sensitive to regions where radiation is expected to overlap.

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- Recall: each different resonance had a different combination of radiation patterns.

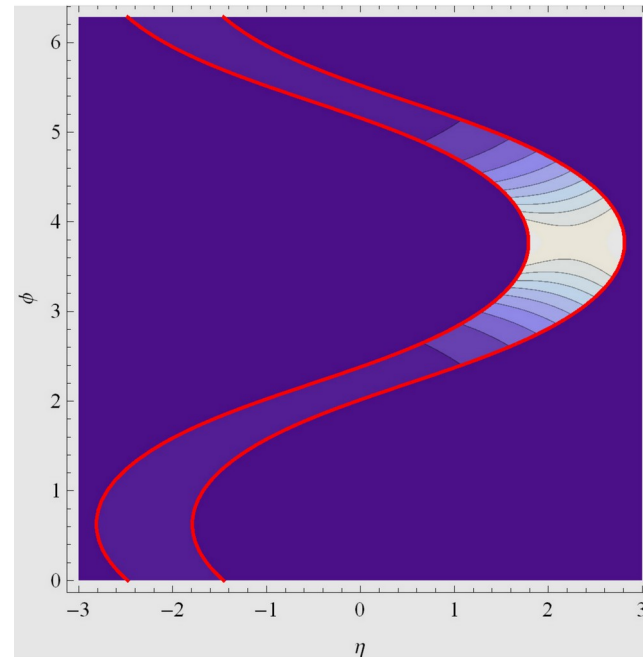
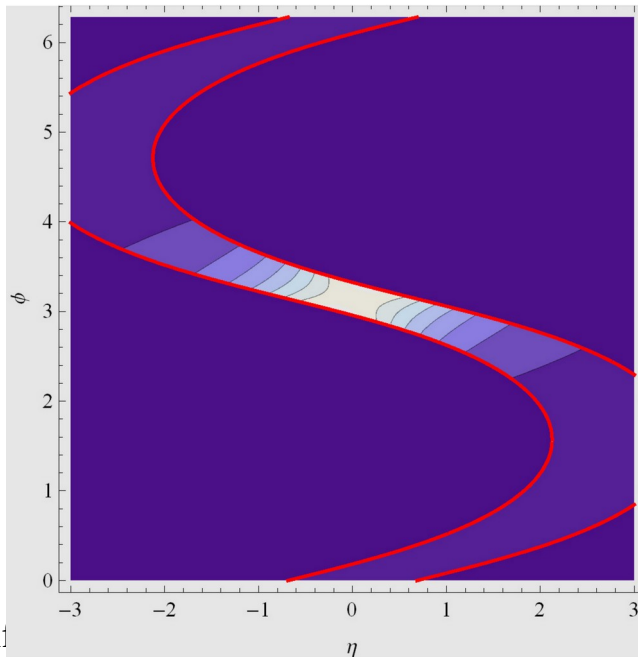
- Factor: 
$$[p_{APB}] = \frac{p_A \cdot p_B}{p_A \cdot l - p_B \cdot l} \left( \frac{1}{p_B \cdot l} - \frac{1}{p_A \cdot l} \right)$$

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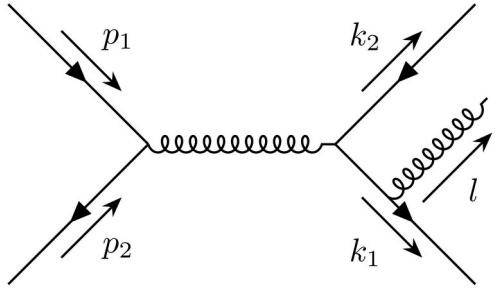
- Parenthesis has universal soft and collinear behaviour.

- Cut on pre-factor ( $l_T$  is gluon  $p_T$ ,  $h_T$  scalar sum of jet  $p_T$ ):

$$\frac{p_A \cdot p_B}{|p_A \cdot l - p_B \cdot l|} \geq \frac{h_T}{l_T}$$



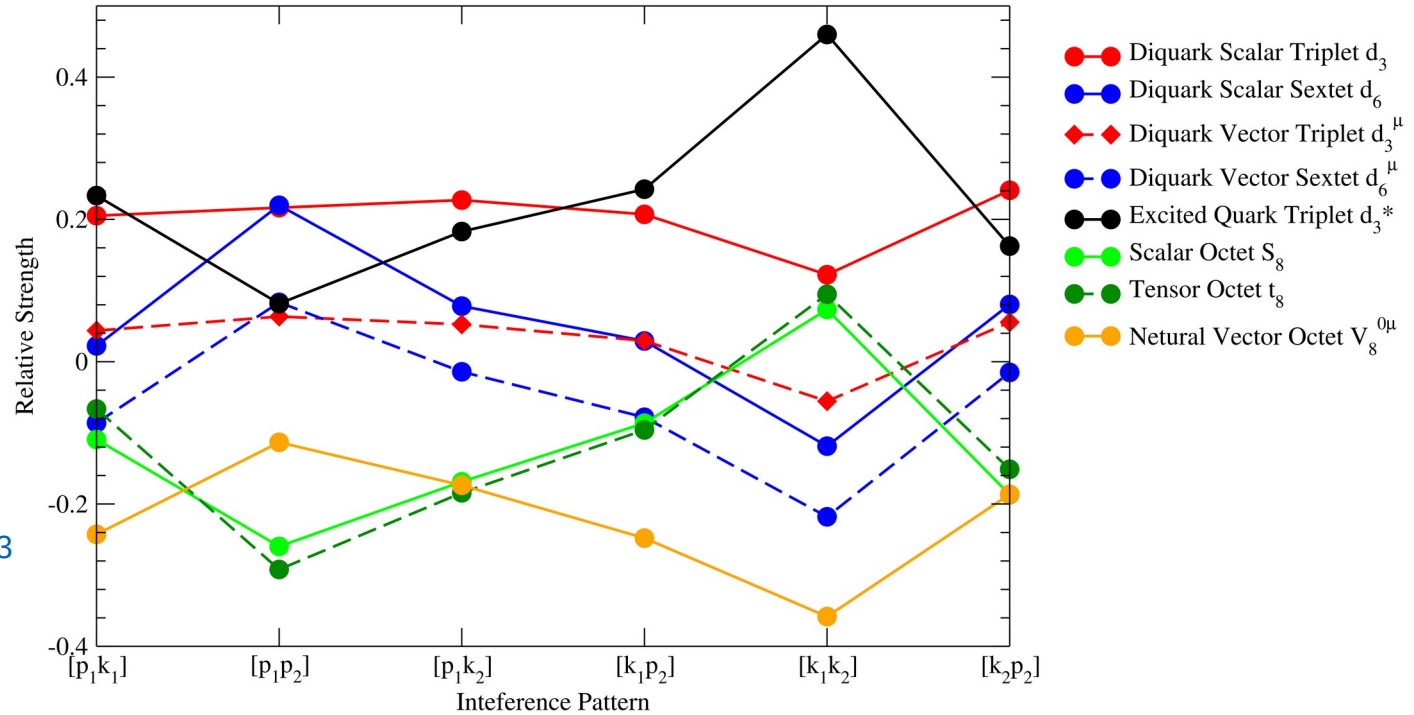
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$$|p_A \cdot l - p_B \cdot l| \leq \frac{l_T}{h_T} p_A \cdot p_B$$

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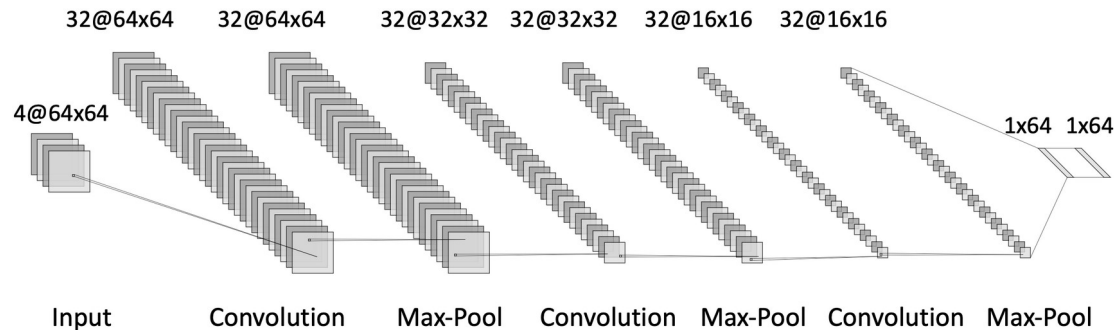
- Relative strength of different radiation patterns depend on color representation.
  - When spin and charge held constant, still have a difference.



$$p_T^{j_1} > 500 \text{ GeV}, \quad p_T^{j_2, j_3} > 200 \text{ GeV}, \quad \text{and}, \quad |\eta^j| < 3$$

$$p_T^{j_2} \geq 0.8 p_T^{j_1} \quad \Delta R_{jj} > 0.4$$

# Jet Images/ML



- All previous analysis parton level.
- What if we include showering and hadronization?
- Use machine learning.
  - Create three jet events.

$$p p \rightarrow R(j) + \text{remnants} \rightarrow jjj + \text{remnants}$$

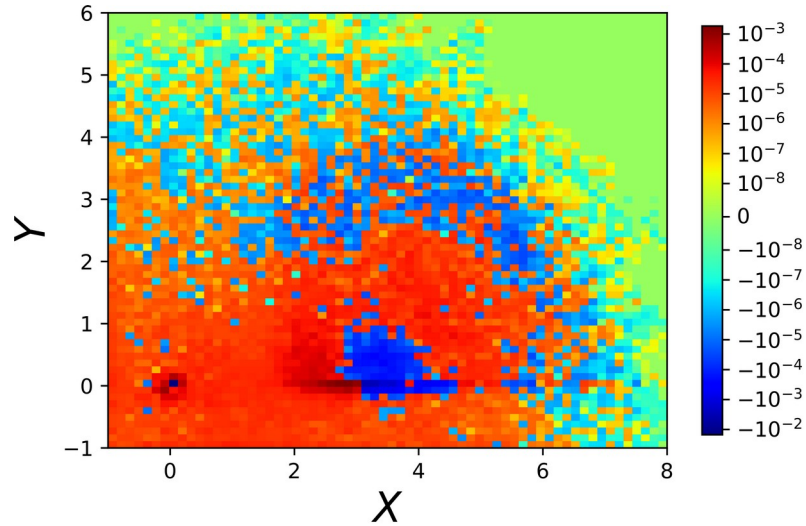
- Generator level cuts:

$$p_T^{j1} > 600 \text{ GeV}, \quad p_T^{j2} > 500 \text{ GeV}, \quad p_T^{j3} > 100 \text{ GeV}, \quad \text{and} \quad |\eta_j| < 3,$$

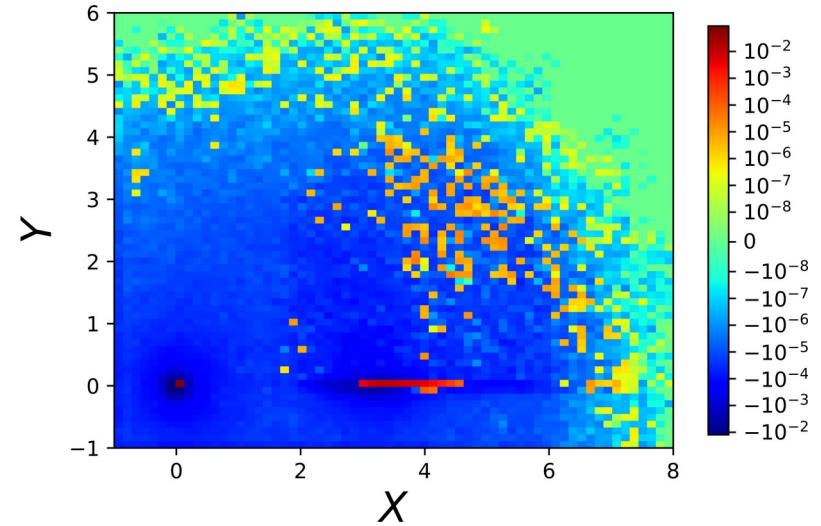
- Run through Pythia8 for parton showering and hadronization.
- Cluster jets using anti-kT algorithm with R=0.4
- Include all jets with  $p_T^j > 100 \text{ GeV}$  and  $|\eta_j| < 3$



# Pre-Processing



(a)  $V_1 - V_8$



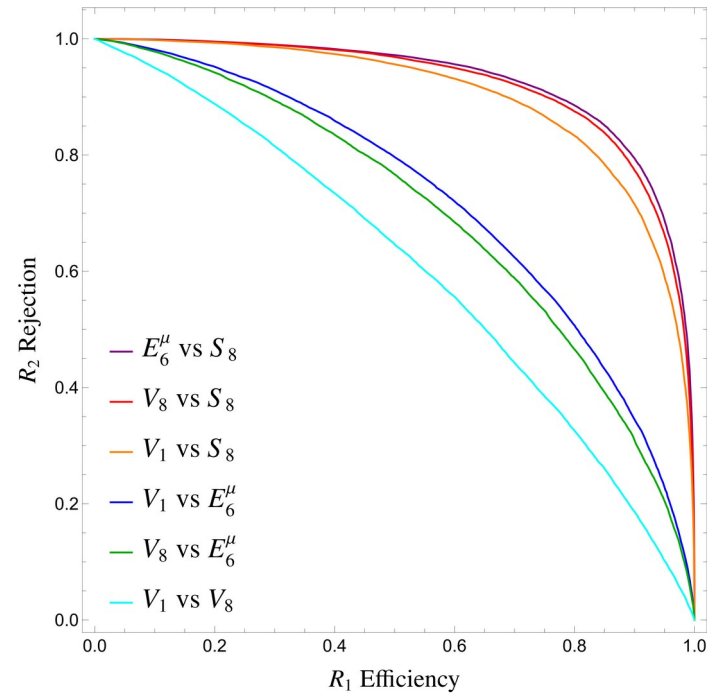
(b)  $V_1 - S_8$

- Consider three hardest jets.
  - Jet that is furthest away from other two is out of origin.
  - From the two remaining, hardest is along X-axis
  - Third jet flipped to first quadrant.

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# Results

- Used a Convolutional Neural Network.
  - Trained to distinguish different resonances.
- Considered four input channels:
  - Transverse momentum of positively charged particles
  - Transverse momentum of negatively charged particles
  - Transverse momentum of neutral particles
  - Charged-particle multiplicity



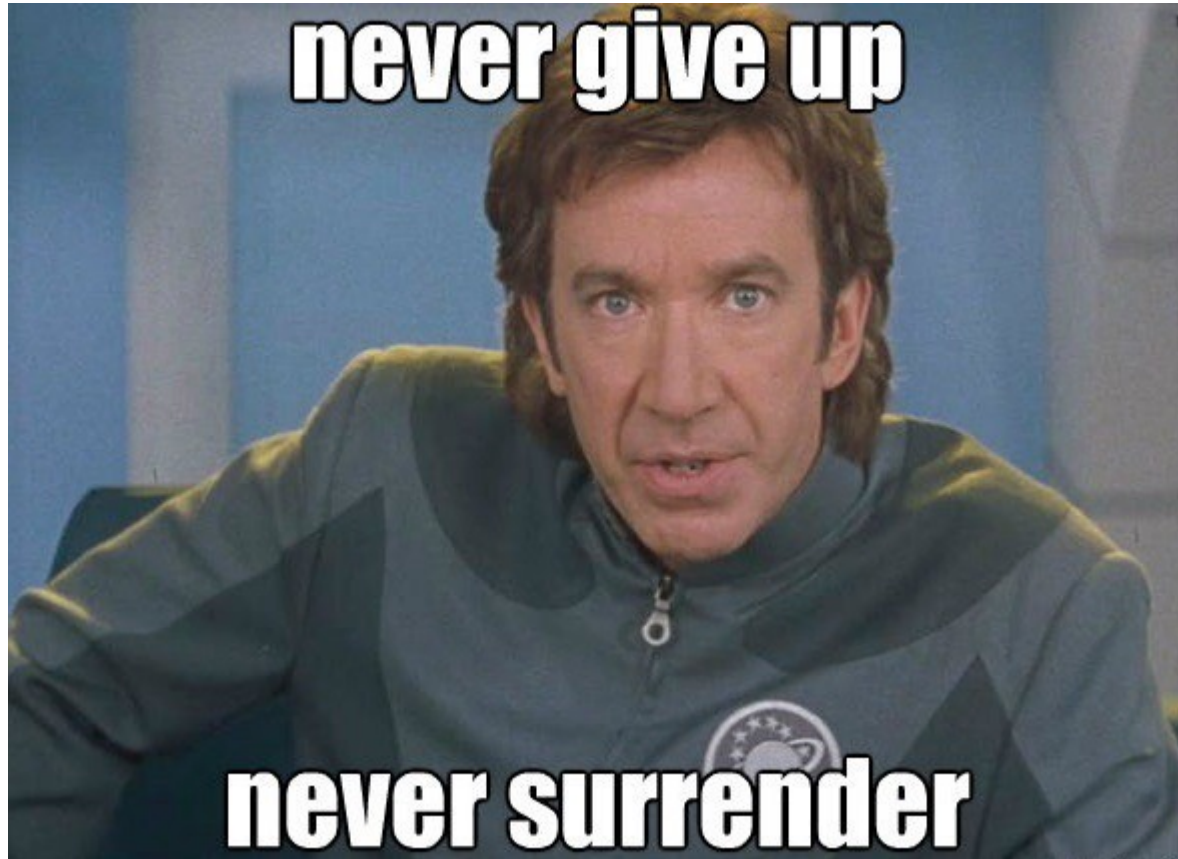
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$R_2$ efficiency (%) at 50% $R_1$ acceptance	$R_2 : V_1 (u\bar{u})$	$R_2 : V_8 (u\bar{u})$	$R_2 : E_6^\mu (uu)$	$R_2 : S_8 (gg)$
$R_1 : V_1 (u\bar{u})$	50%	35%	20%	4.4%
$R_1 : V_8 (u\bar{u})$	35%	50%	23%	3.1%
$R_1 : E_6^\mu (uu)$	20%	23%	50%	2.8%
$R_1 : S_8 (gg)$	2.8%	1.8%	1.4%	50%

# Conclusions

- Hadron colliders are QCD machines:
  - (Most) initial states are colored partons.
- Dijet resonances are the most natural things to search for.
- Categorized the possible quantum numbers of the dijet resonances.
- Gave a roadmap for measuring properties of dijets.
  - Coupling to partons: rapidity distributions/tagging light jets.
  - Spin: Angular distributions.
  - Color representation:
    - Ratio of cross section of process with additional radiation to base resonance process.
    - Developed an observable sensitive to different radiation patterns beyond singlet vs. octet.
    - Looked at ability to distinguish via machine learning techniques

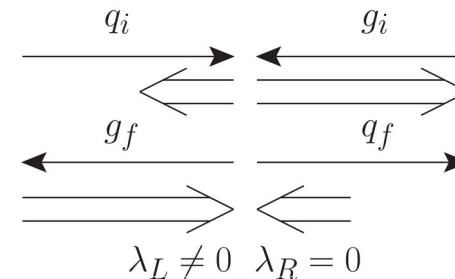
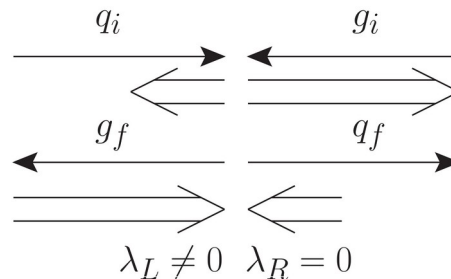
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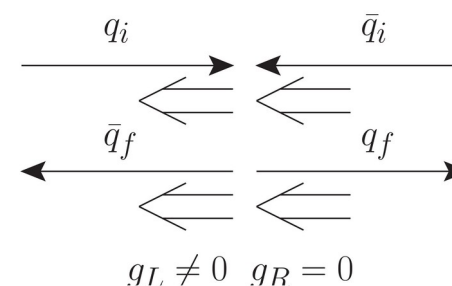
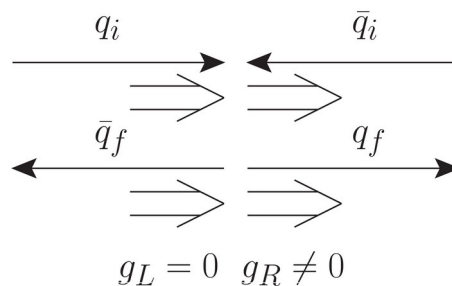
# Spin

- Spin correlations.
  - Depending on chiral couplings, get different spin correlations.
  - Can measure with angular distributions.

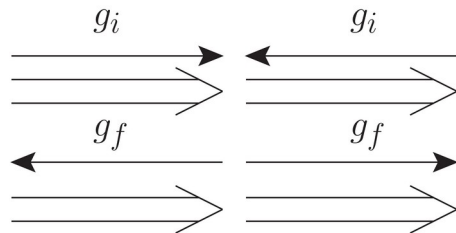
Quark-Gluon  
Spin 1/2:



Quark-Antiquark  
Spin 1:



Gluon-Gluon  
Spin 2:



Gluon-Gluon  
Spin 0:

