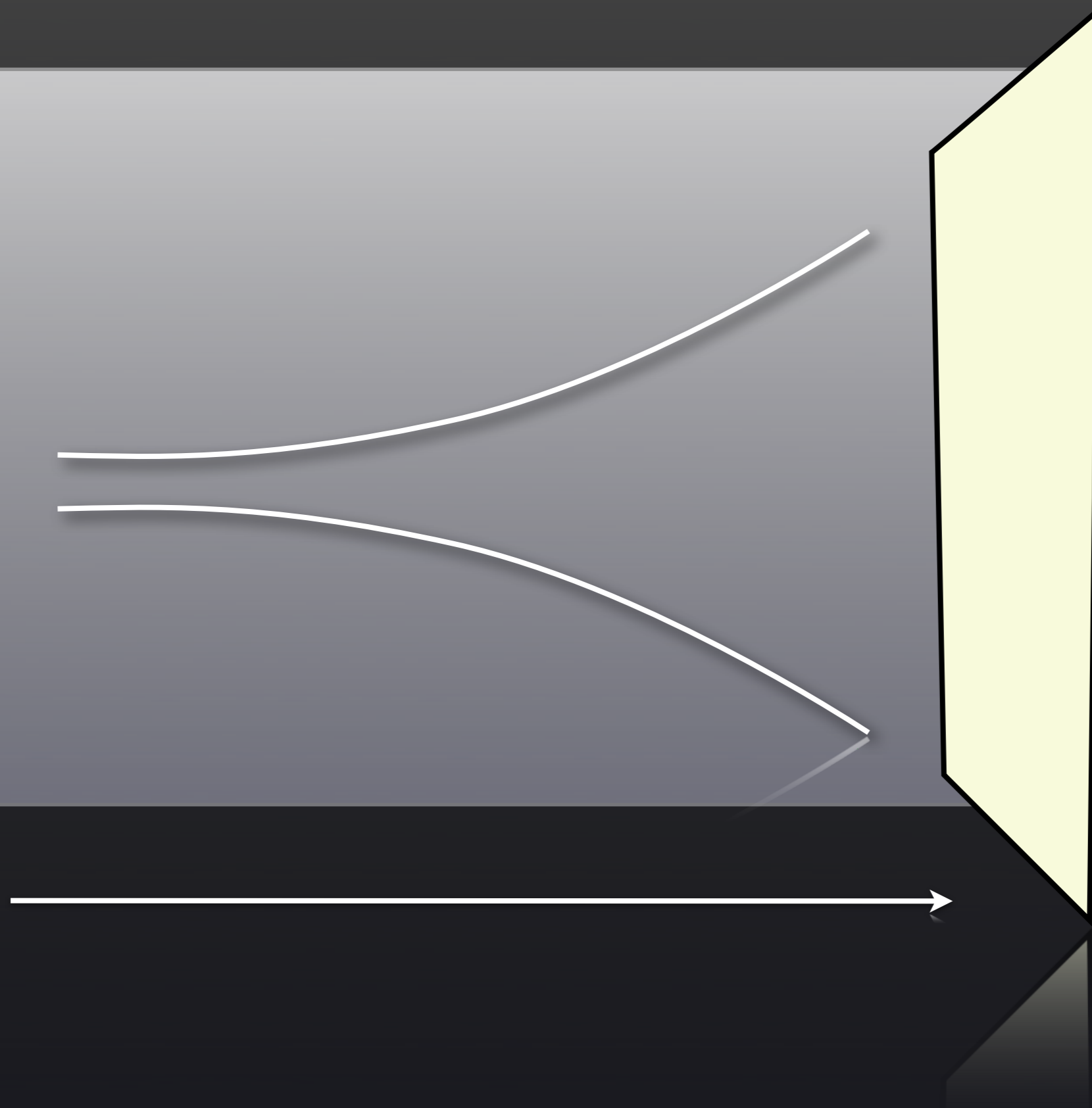
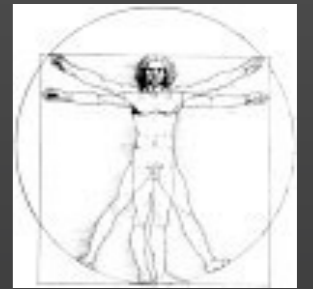


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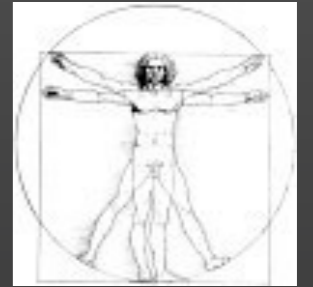
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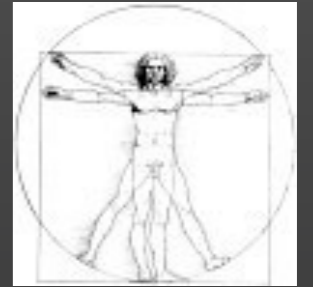
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Leading Log  
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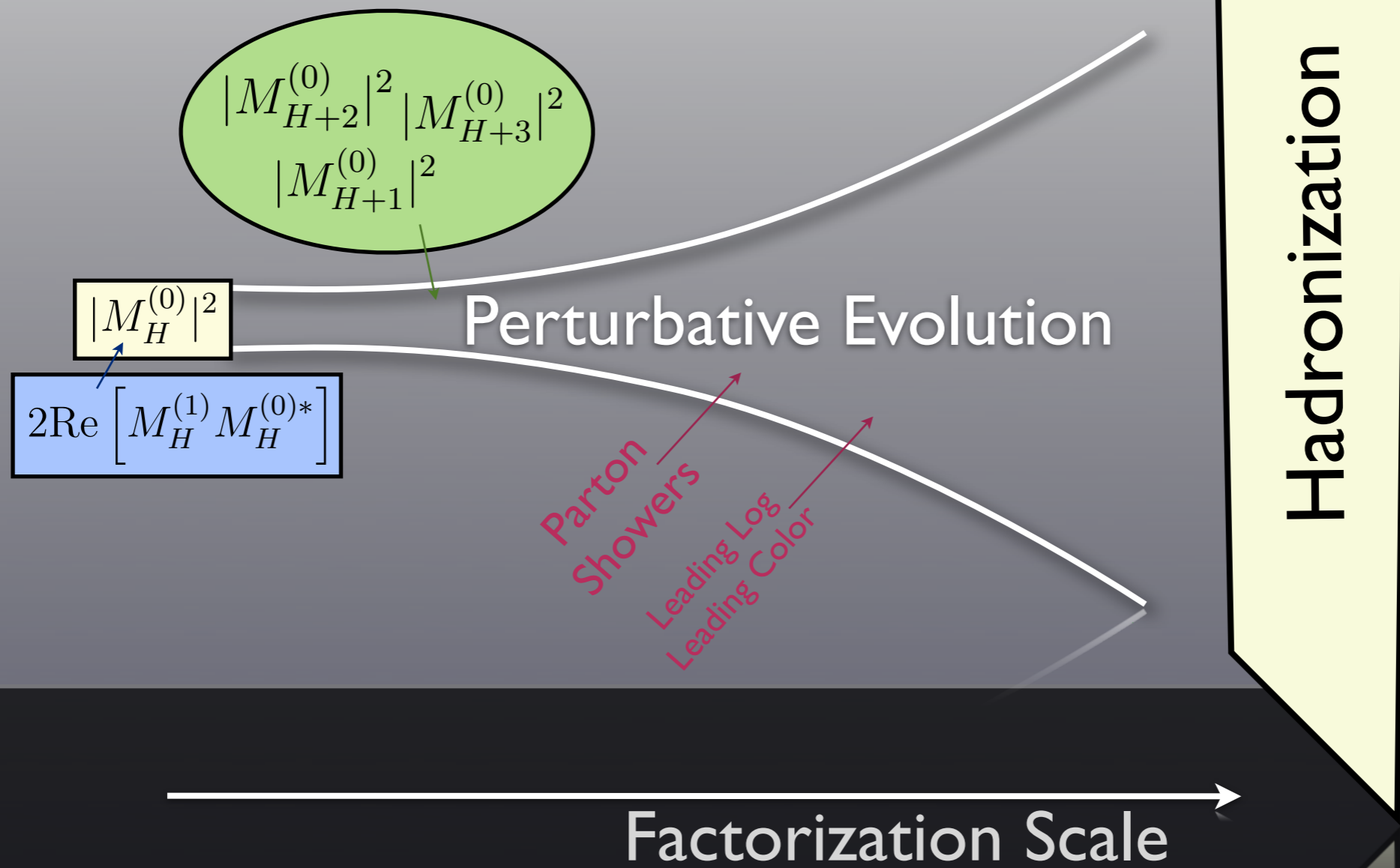
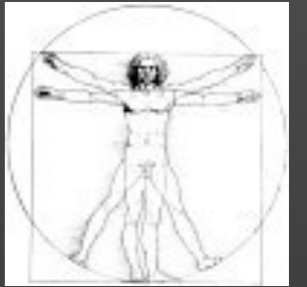
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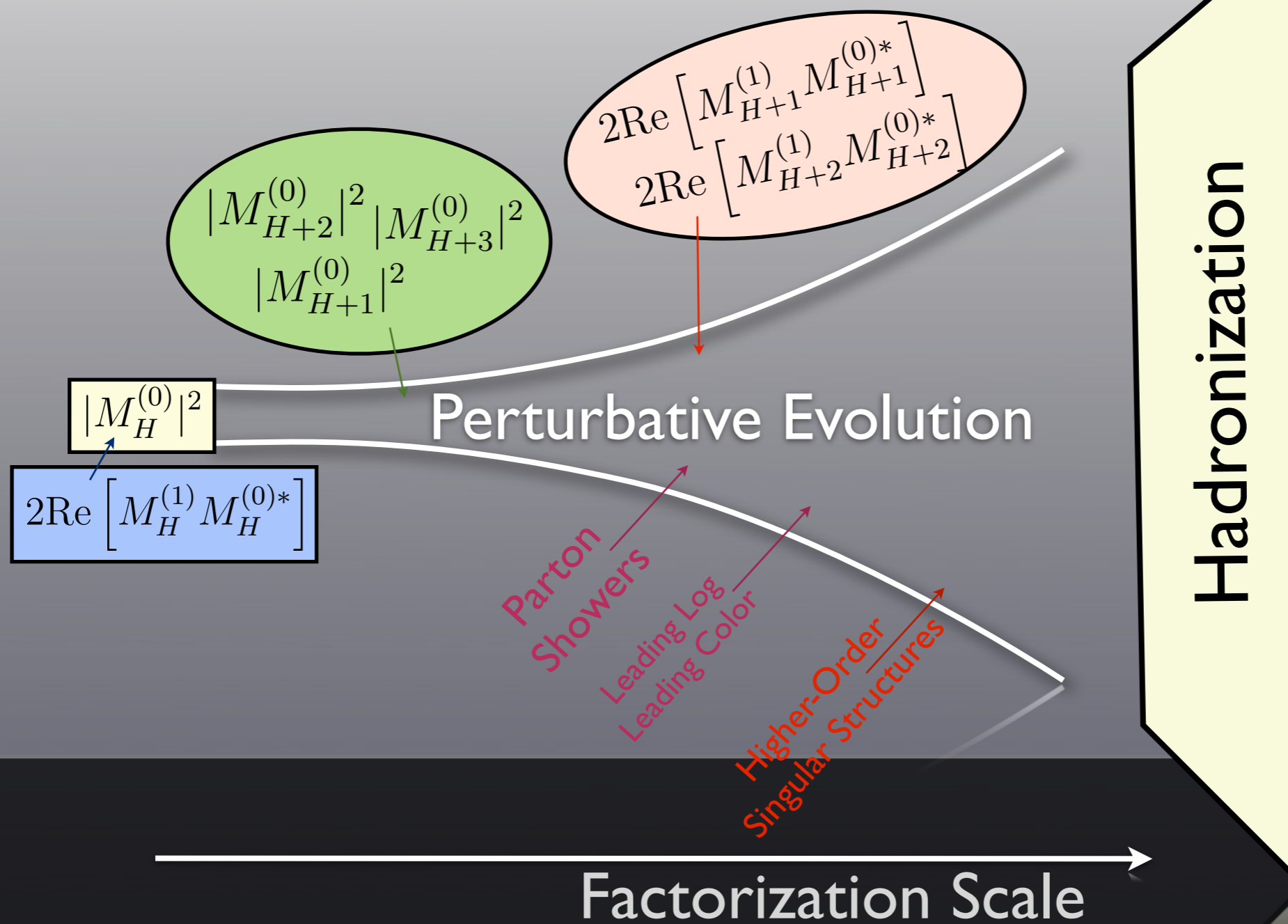
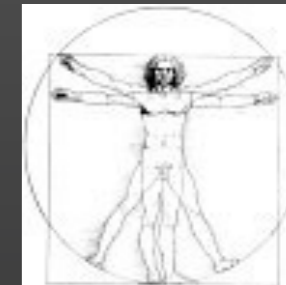
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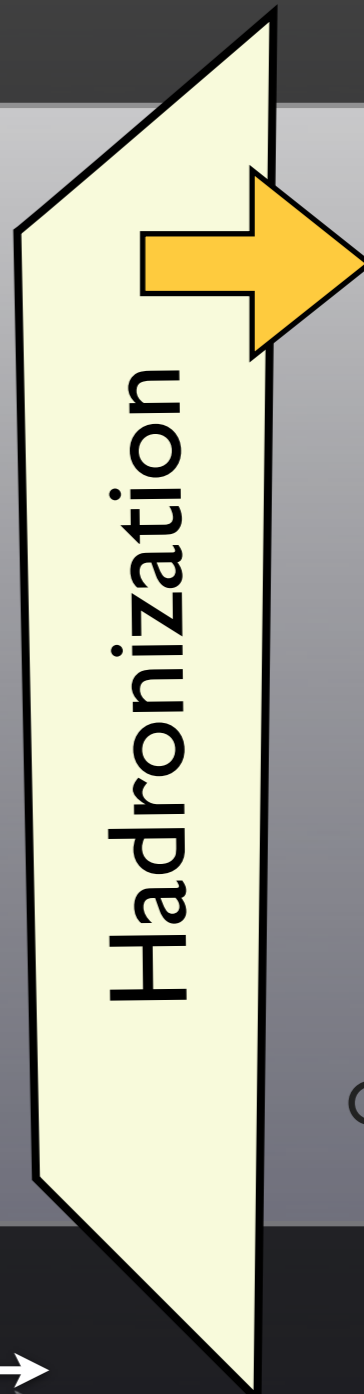
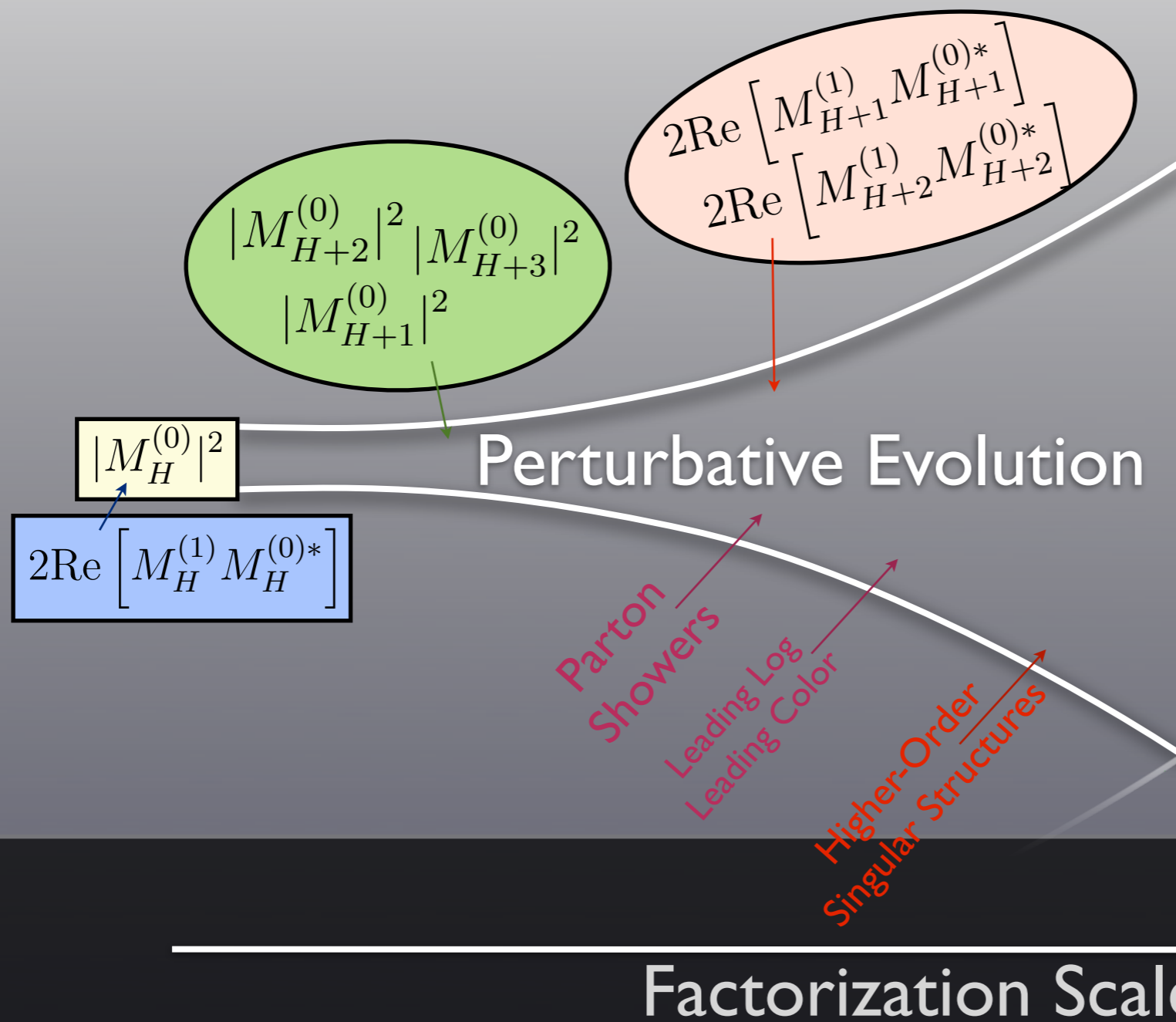
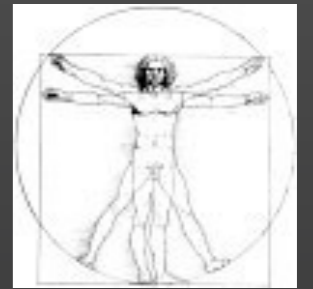
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PYTHIA



Collider  
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Confrontation  
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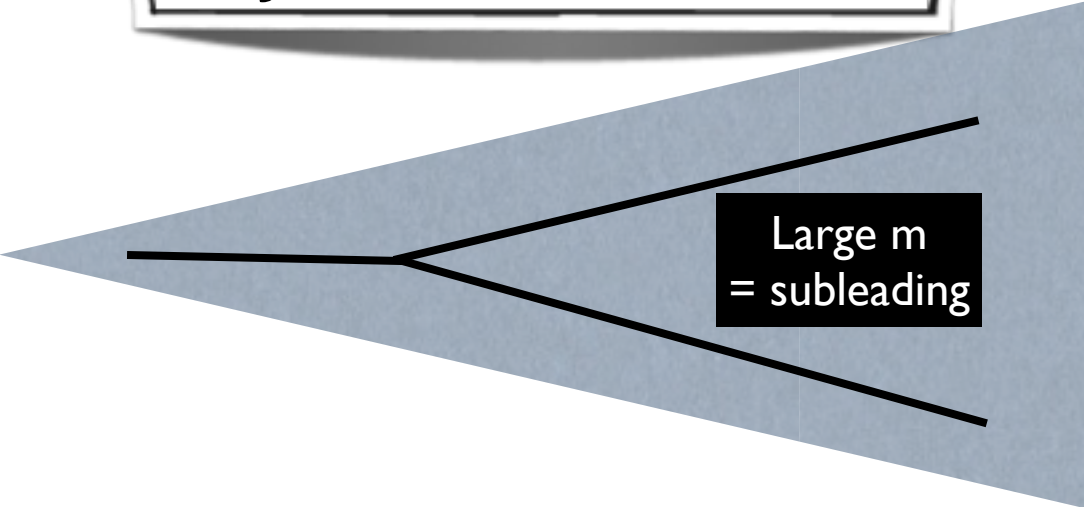
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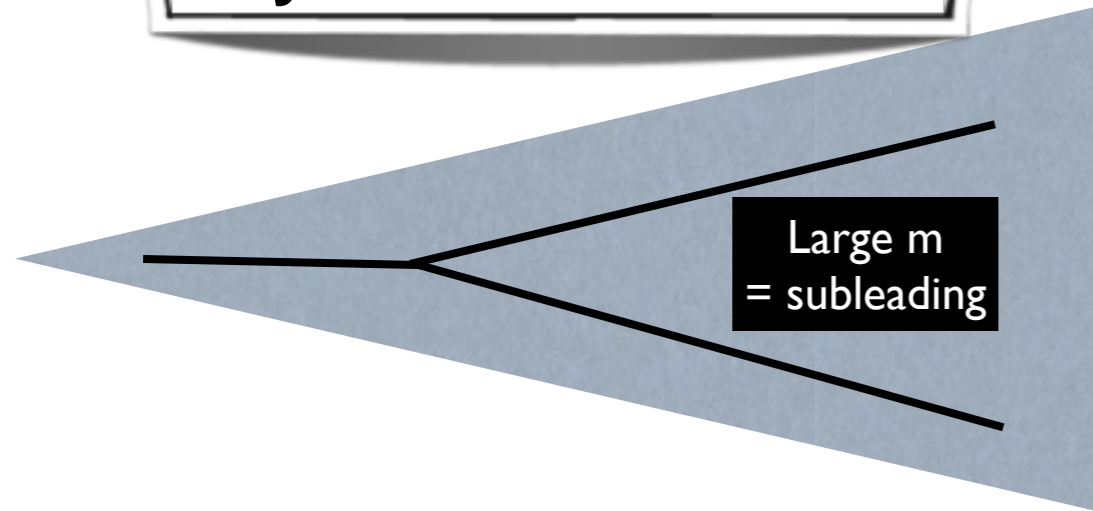
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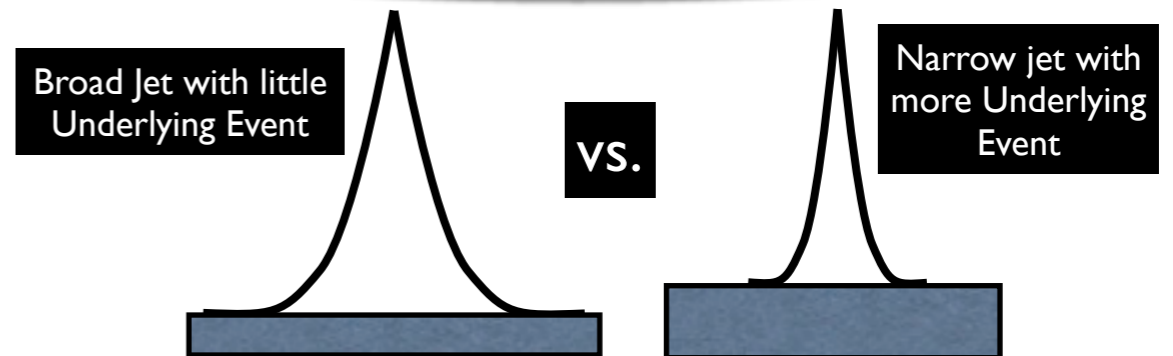
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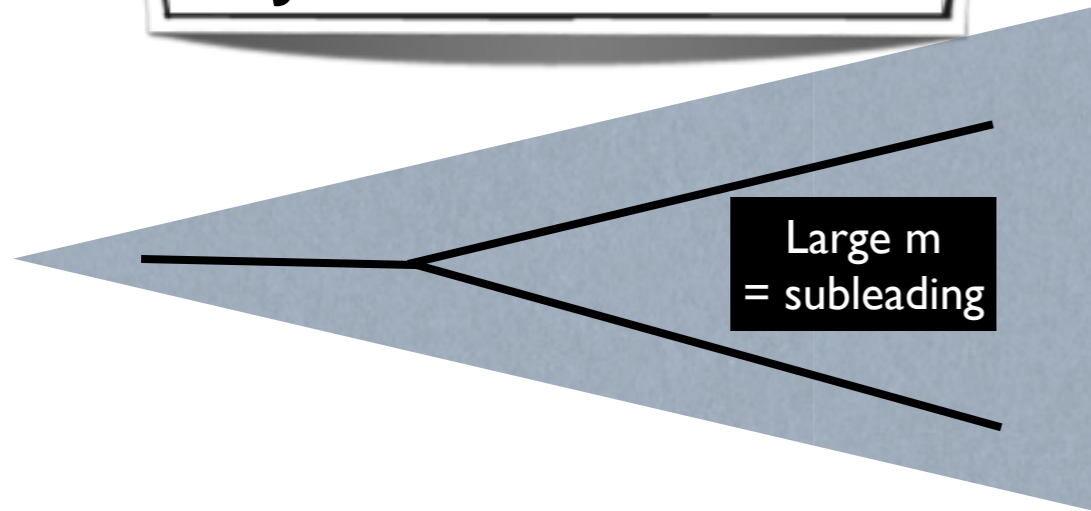
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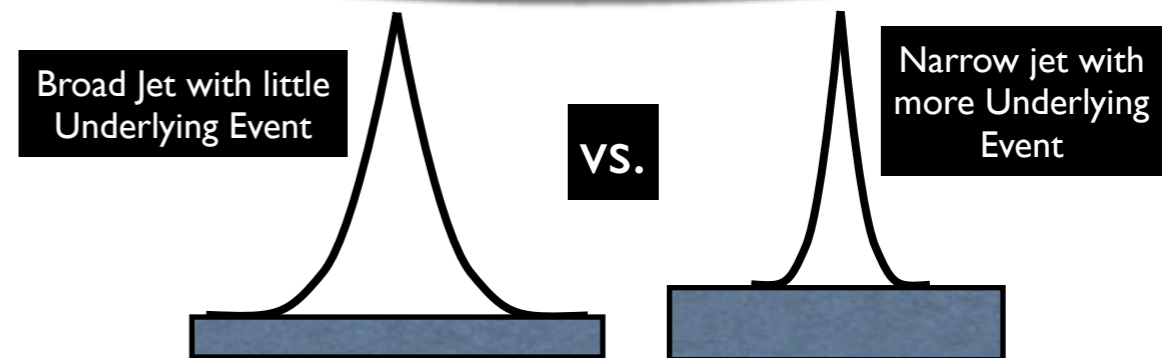
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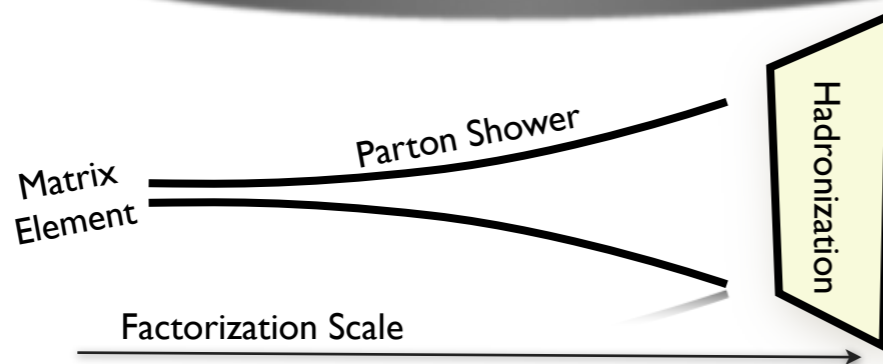
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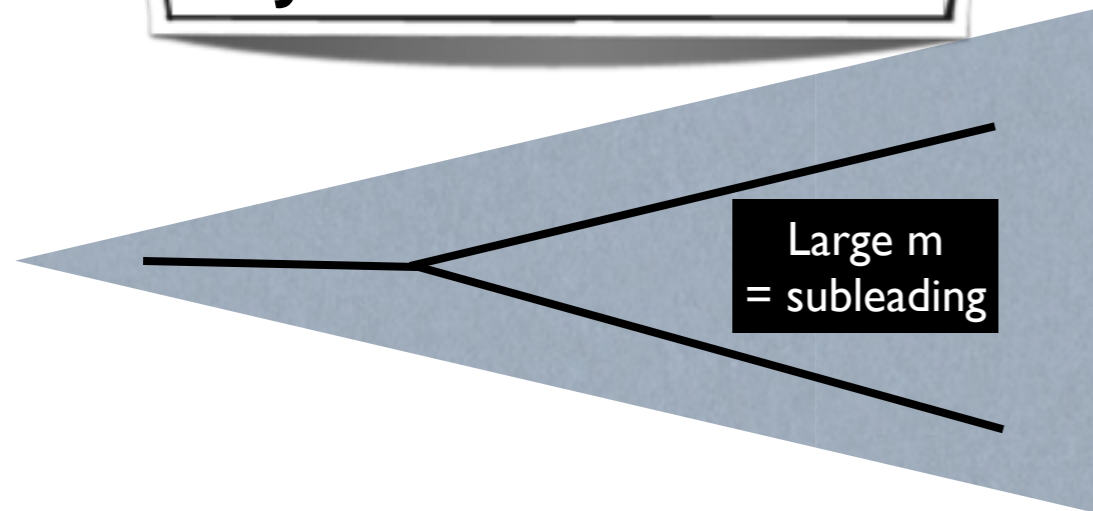


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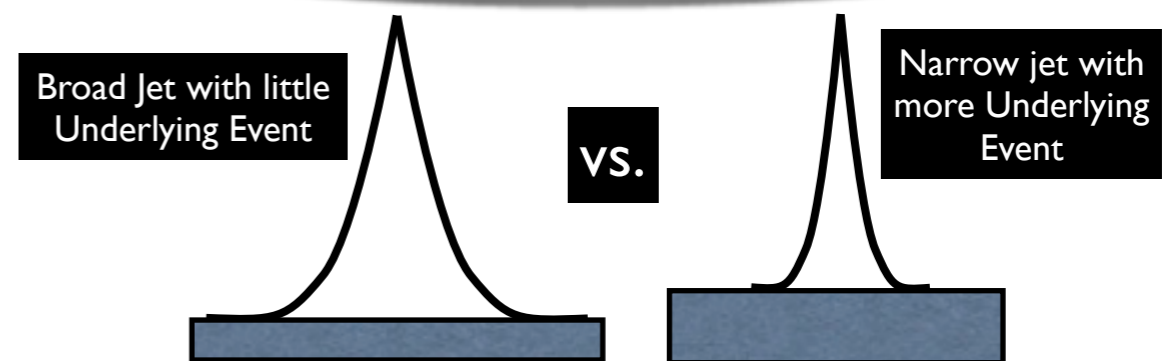
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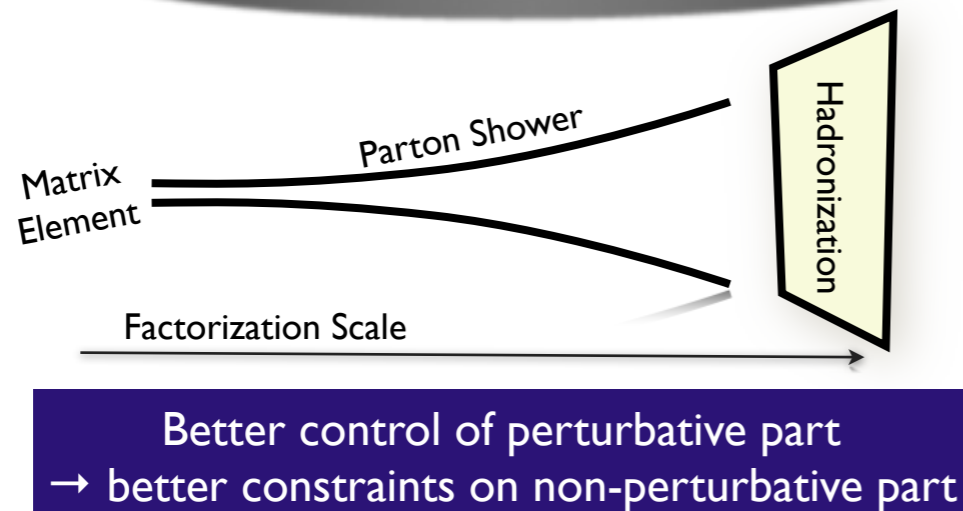
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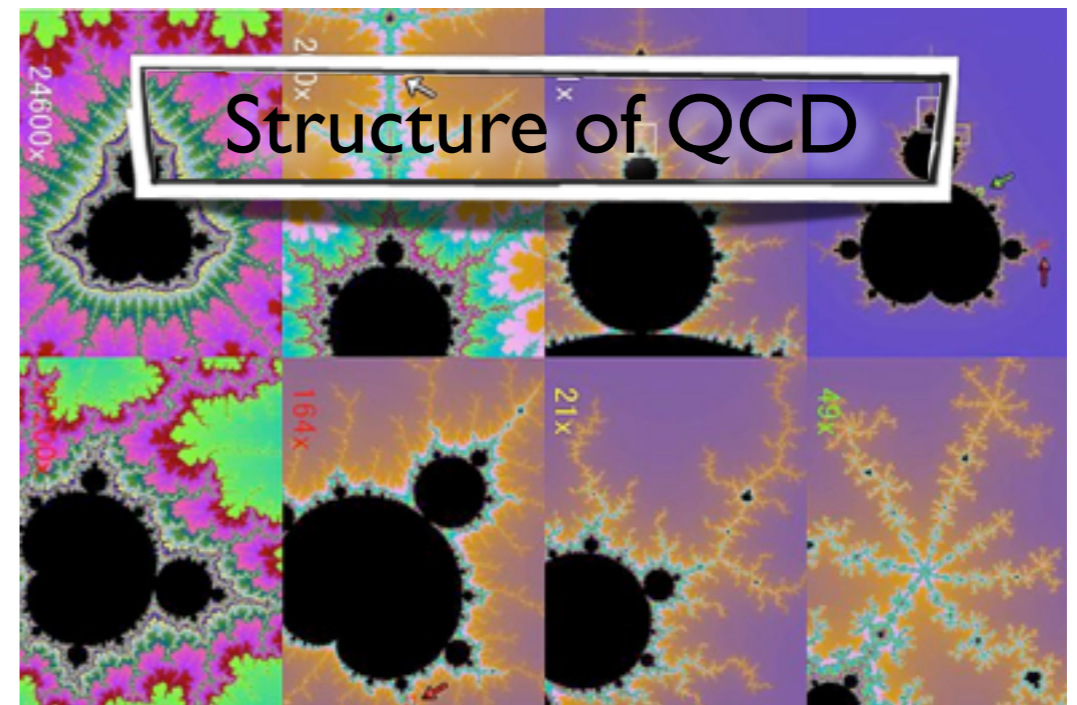
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# VINCIA

## What is it?

Plug-in to PYTHIA 8 (<http://projects.hepforge.org/vincia>)

## What does it do?

### “Matched Markov antenna showers”

*Improved parton showers*

+ *Re-interprets tree-level matrix elements as  $2 \rightarrow n$  antenna functions*

+ *Extends matching to soft region (no “matching scale”)*

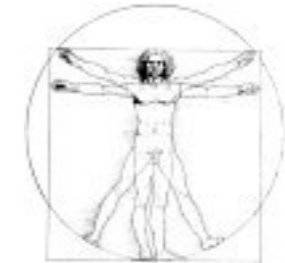
### Extensive (and automated) uncertainty estimates

*Systematic variations of shower functions, evolution variables,  $\mu_R$ , etc.*

*→ A vector of output weights for each event (central value = unity = unweighted)*

## Who is doing it?

GEEKS: Giele, Kosower, Skands + Gehrmann-de-Ridder & Ritzmann (*mass effects*), Lopez-Villarejo (“sector showers”), Hartgring & Laenen (*NLO multileg*)



The VINCIA Code

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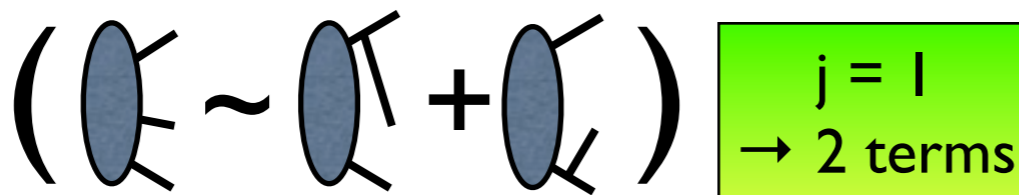
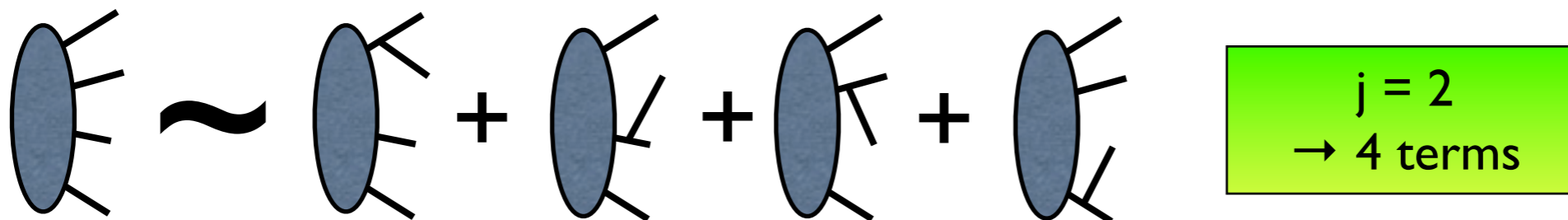
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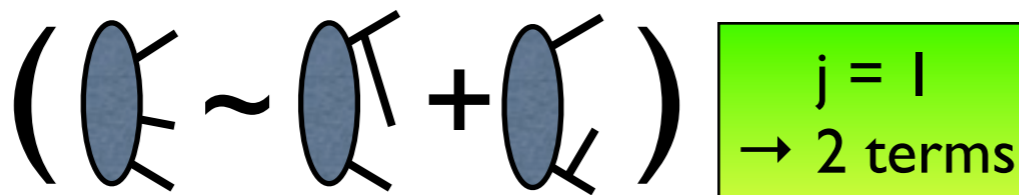
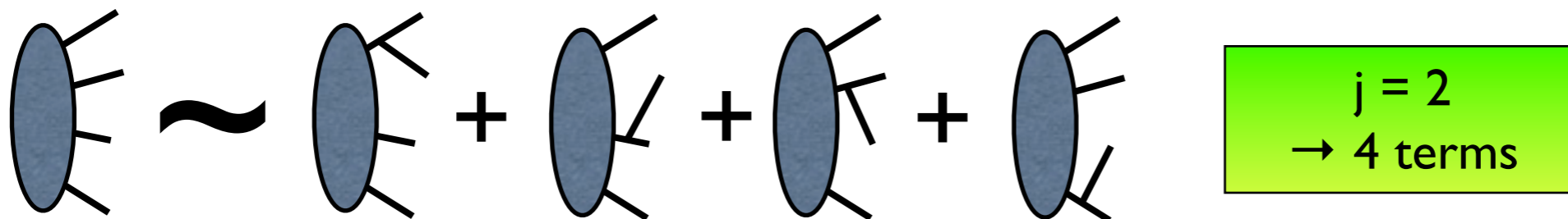
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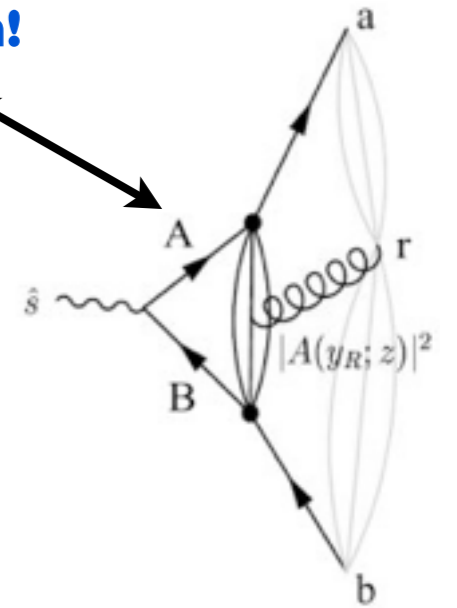


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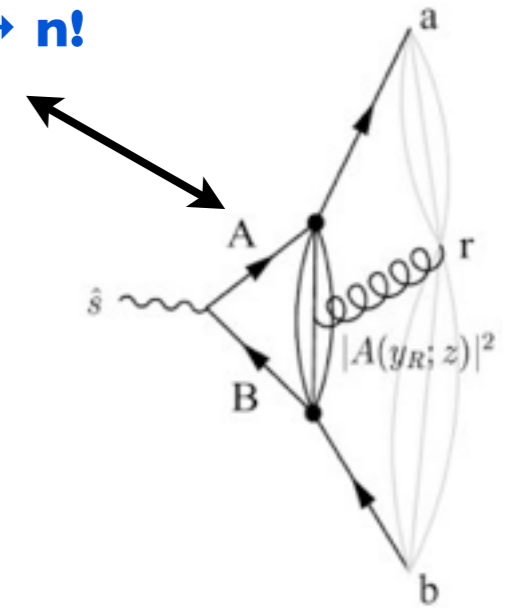
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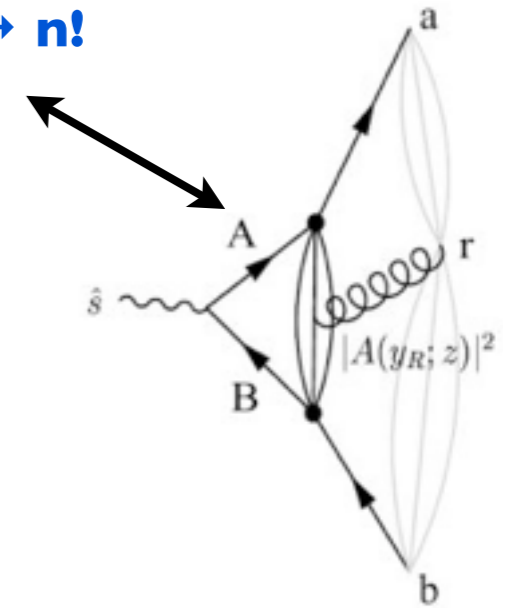
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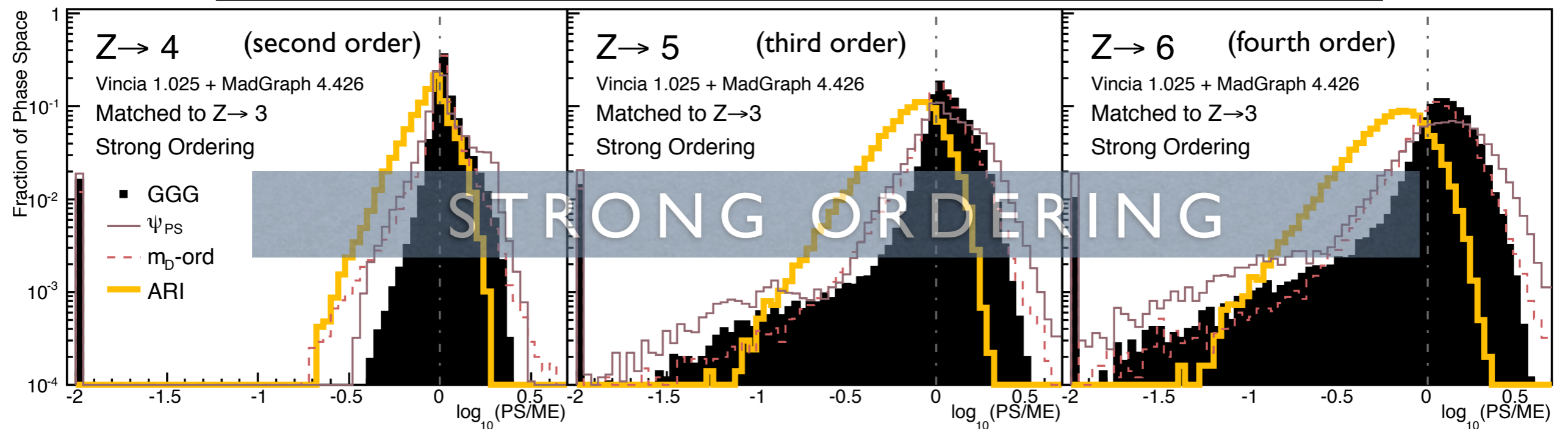
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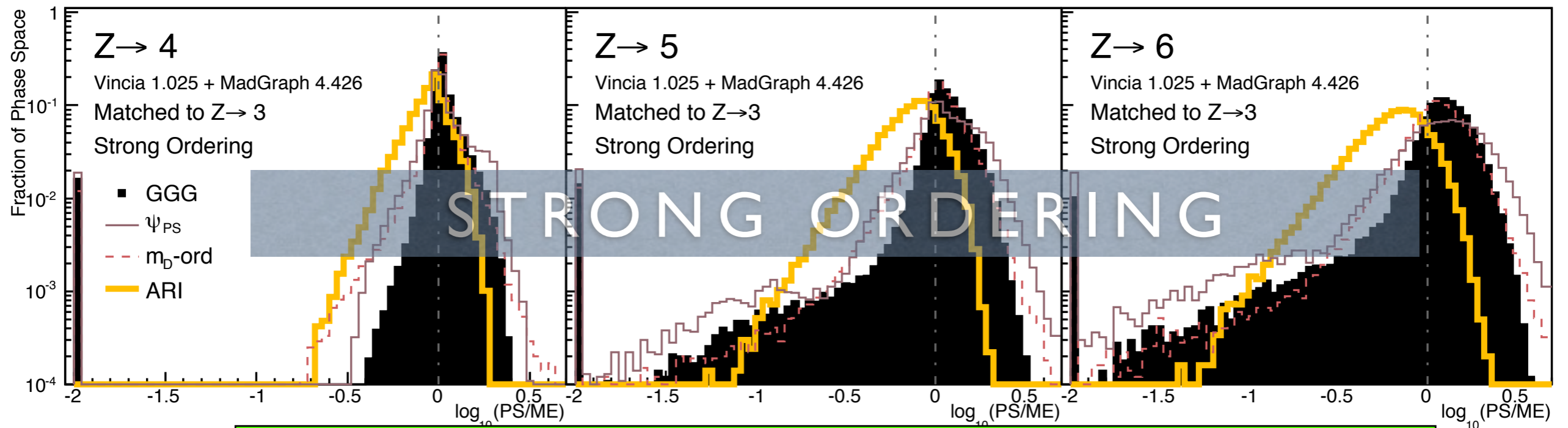
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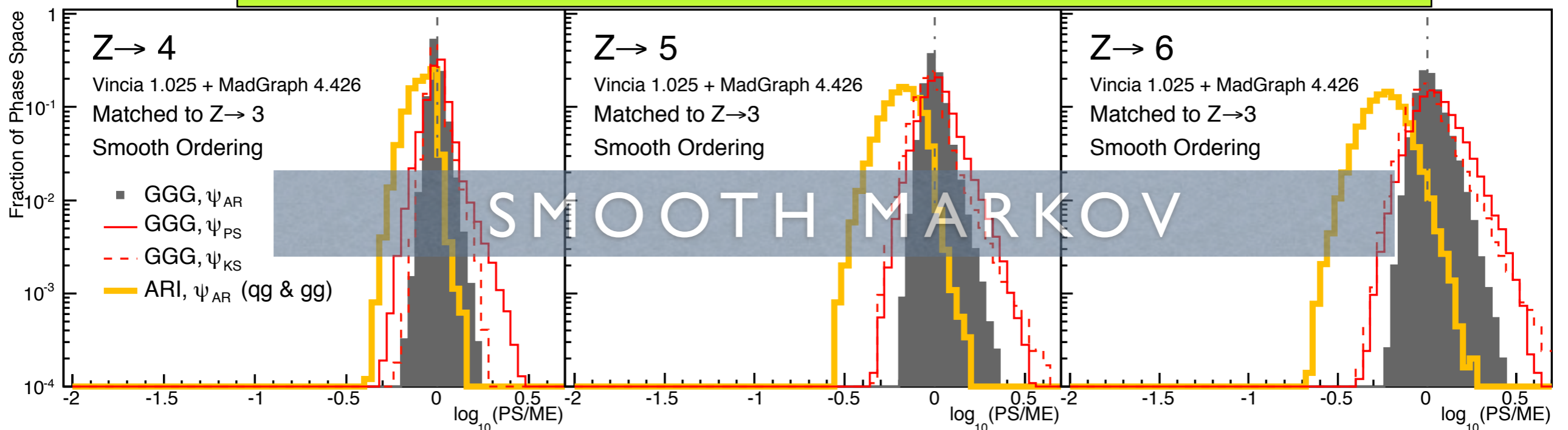


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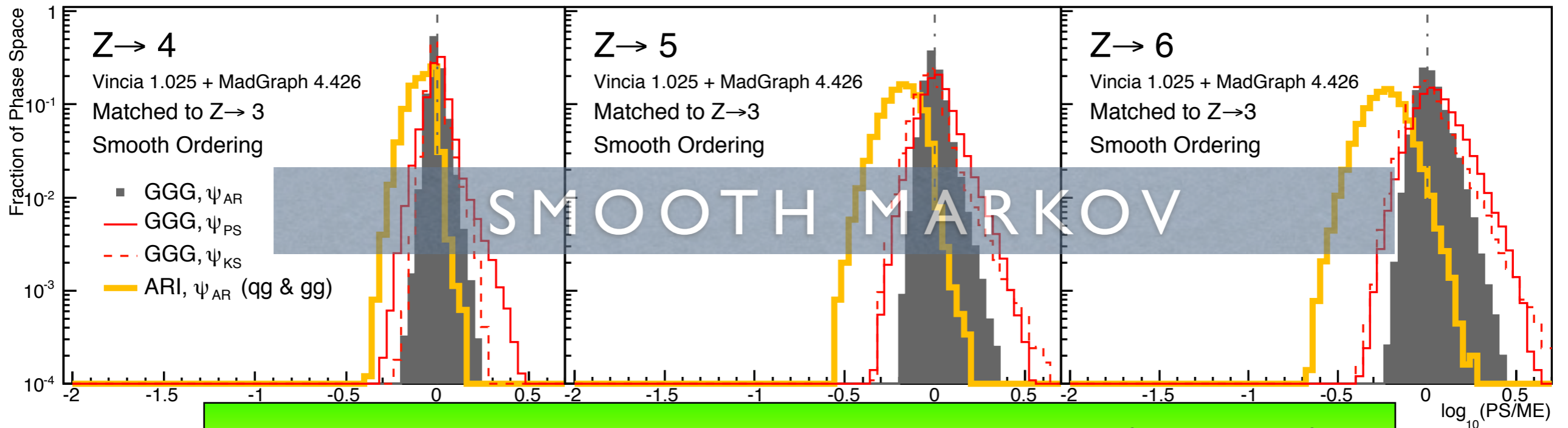
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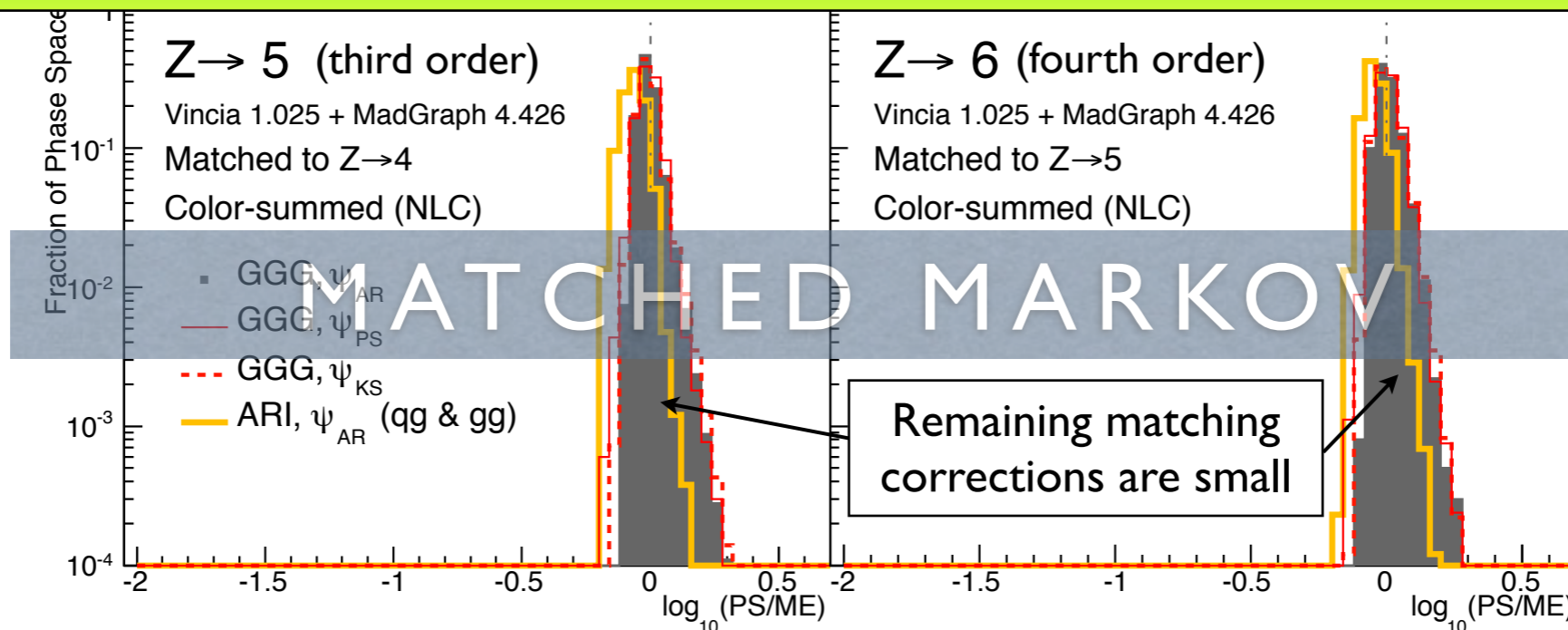
Leading Order, Leading Color, Flat phase-space scan, over **all of phase space** (no matching scale)



# + Matching (+ full colour)



**→ A very good all-orders starting point**





# (Speed)

<u>Matched through:</u>	Z→3	Z→4	Z→5	Z→6
<b>Pythia 6</b> <i>(initialization time = zero)</i>	0.19	<b>ms/event</b> <i>Z→qq + shower. Matched and unweighted. <b>Hadronization off</b>                      gfortran/g++ with gcc v.4.4 -O2 on single 3.06 GHz processor with 4GB memory</i>		
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<b>Vincia</b> <i>(initialization time = zero)</i>	0.24	0.62	5.60	112.50
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	90,000 ms	420,000 ms	1,320,000 ms	7,920,000 ms

Generator Versions: Pythia 6.425 (with Perugia 2011 tune), Pythia 8.150, Sherpa 1.3.0 (\*not including initialization), Vincia 1.026 (NLL,NLC, and uncertainties OFF)

(+ working with J. Lopez-Villarejo at CERN to further increase multi-parton matching speed)

# Uncertainties

A landscape photograph of a winding road at sunset. The road is dark asphalt with a white shoulder line and a double yellow line. The sky is filled with dark, dramatic clouds, and the sun is low on the horizon to the right, creating a bright glow and lens flare. The terrain is hilly and appears to be a dry, scrubby landscape. The word "Uncertainties" is overlaid in the center in a large, white, sans-serif font.

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## Automate and do everything in one run

VINCIA: all events have weight = 1

GEEKS (Giele, Kosower, Skands): arXiv:1102.2126

Compute *unitary* alternative weights on the fly

→ *sets of alternative weights representing variations (all with  $\langle w \rangle = 1$ )*

*Same events, so only have to be hadronized/detector-simulated ONCE!*

**MC with Automatic Uncertainty Bands**

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Differences explicitly matched out

*(Up to matched orders)*

(Can in principle also include variations of matching scheme...)

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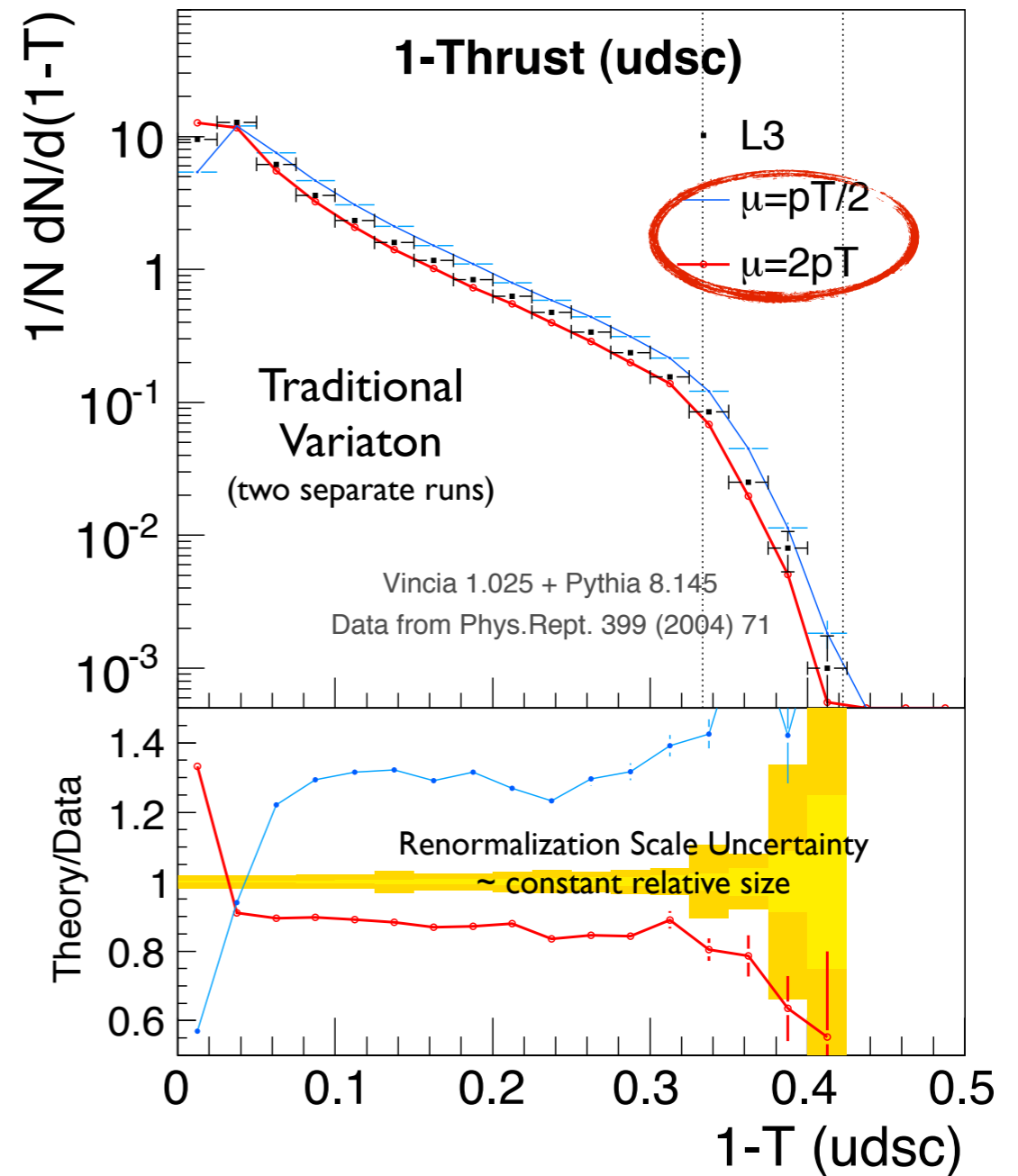
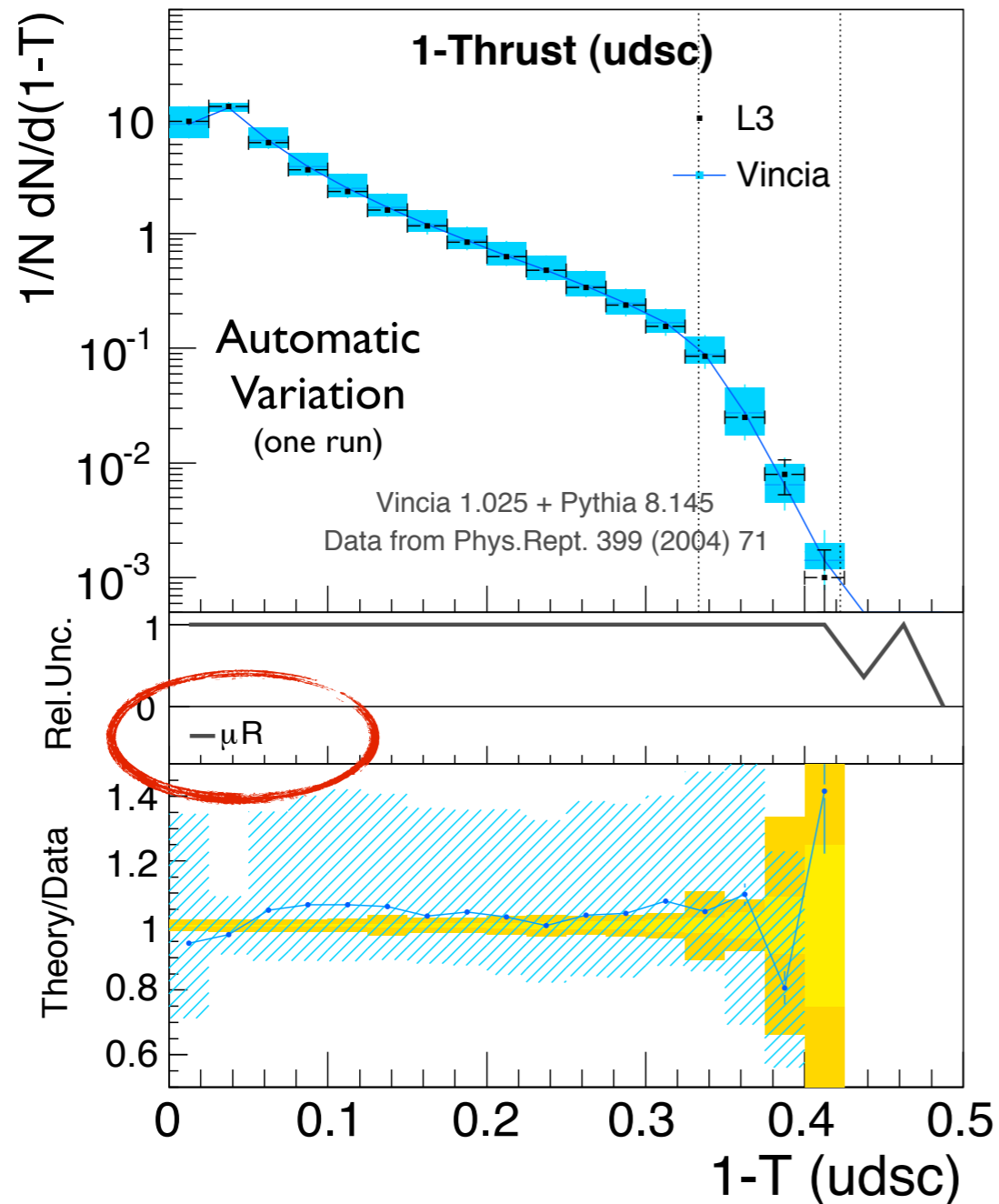
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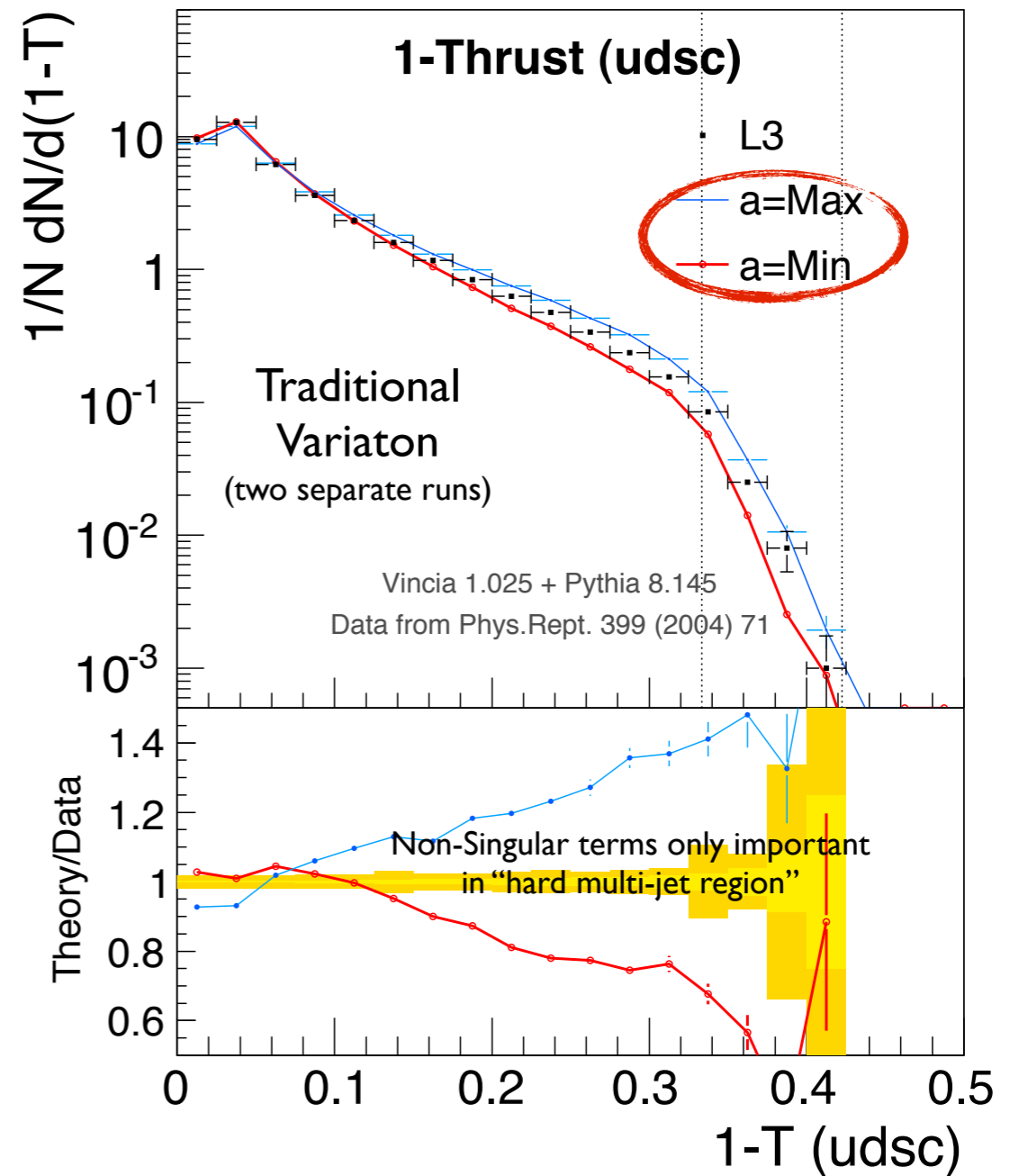
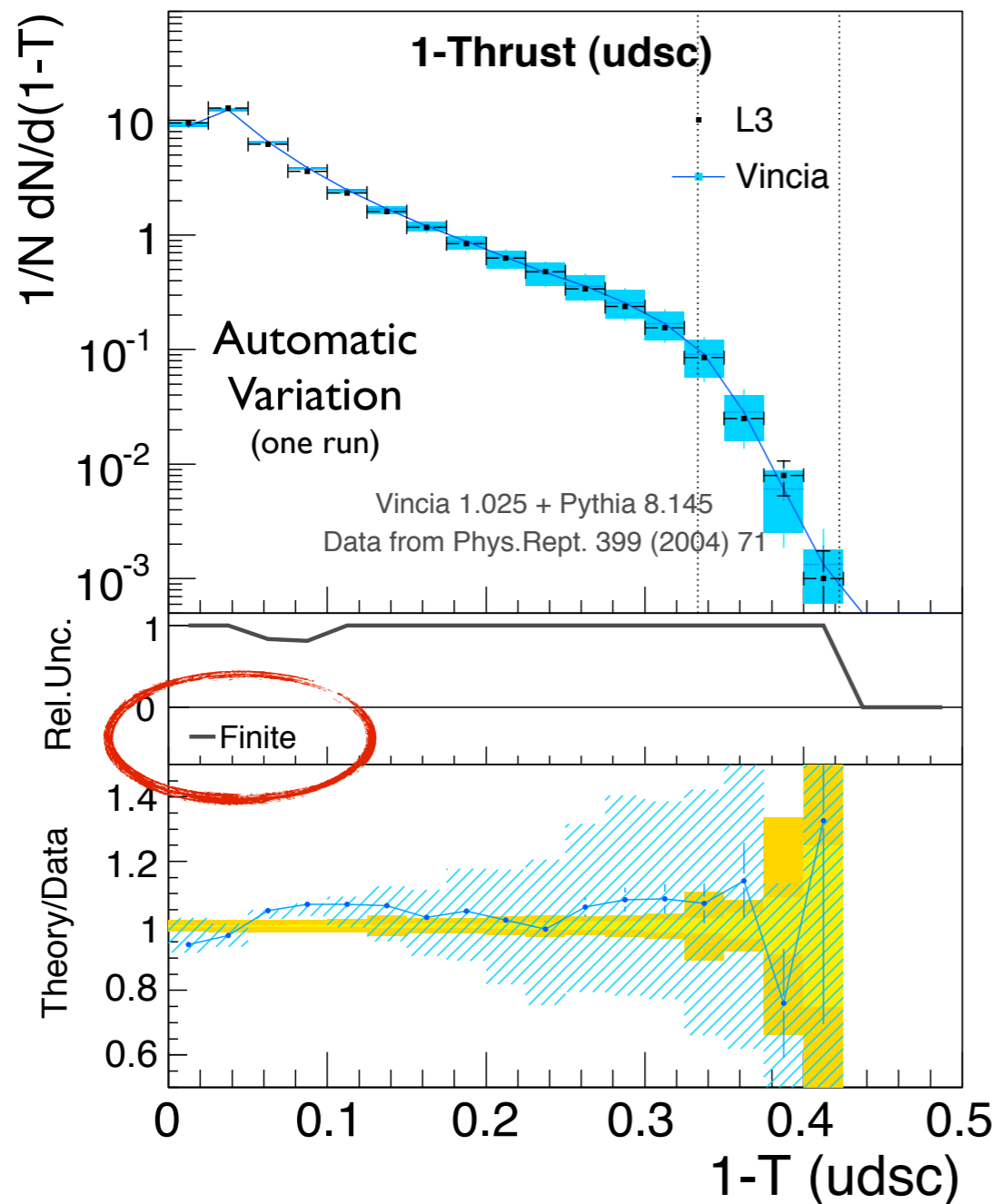


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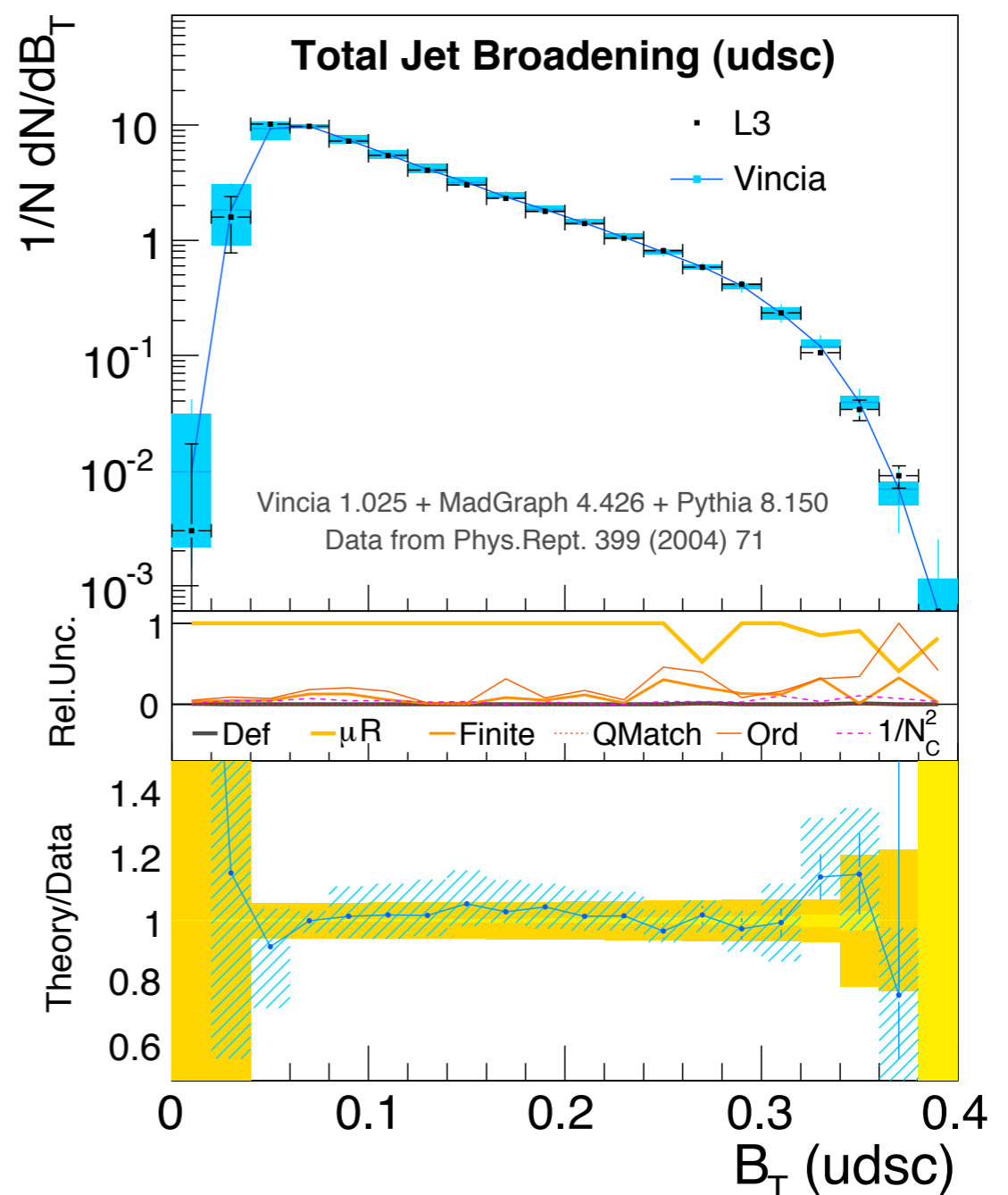
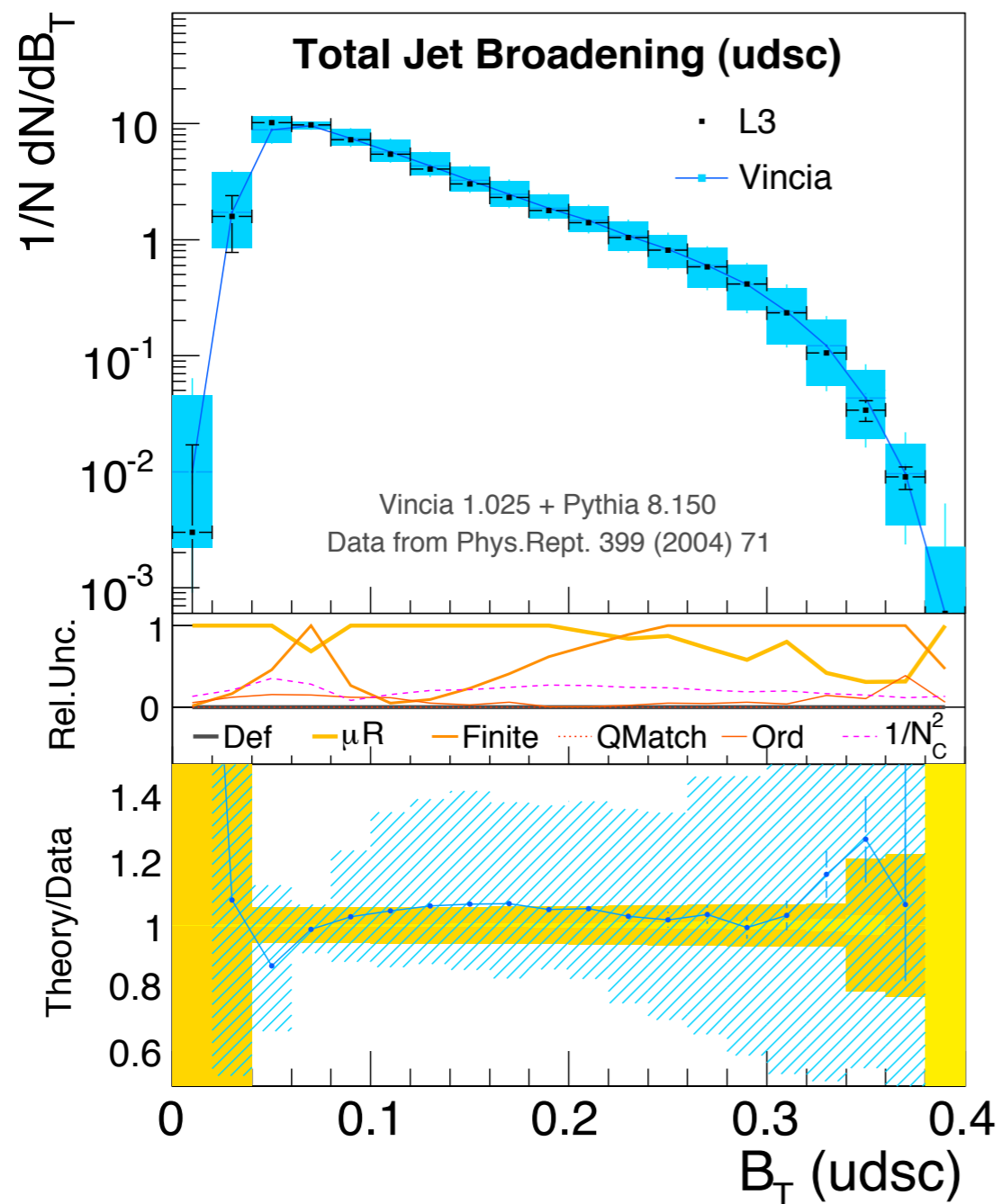


Variation of "finite terms" (no matching)

# Putting it Together

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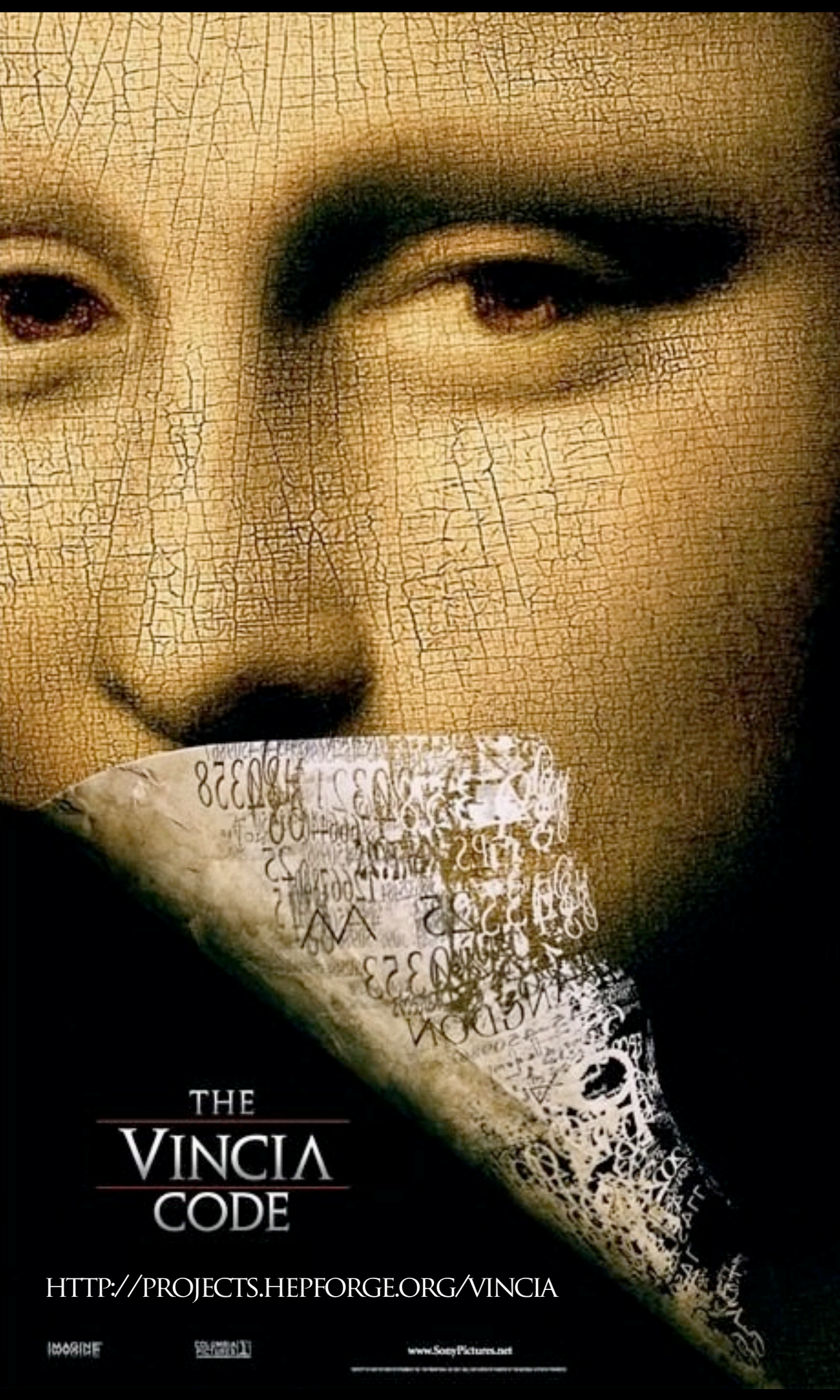
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PLUG-IN TO PYTHIA 8

STABLE AND RELIABLE FOR FINAL-  
STATE JETS (E.G., LEP)

AUTOMATIC MATCHING AND  
UNCERTAINTY BANDS

IMPROVEMENTS IN SHOWER  
(SMOOTH ORDERING, NLC, MATCHING, ...)

PAPER ON MASS EFFECTS ~ READY  
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WIMPY  
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#1 GUEST RATED SHOWERHEAD – ALL NEW

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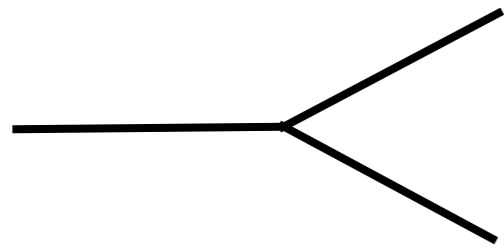
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# Backup Slides

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## Start from Born Level:



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H = Arbitrary hard process

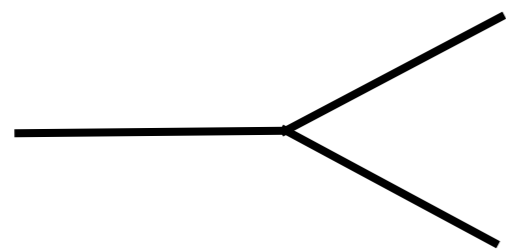
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# pQCD as Markov Chain

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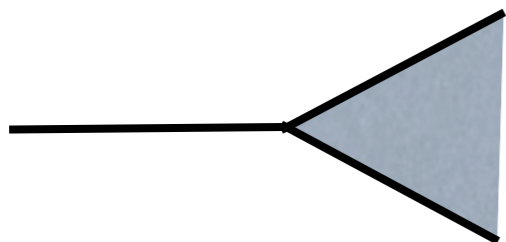


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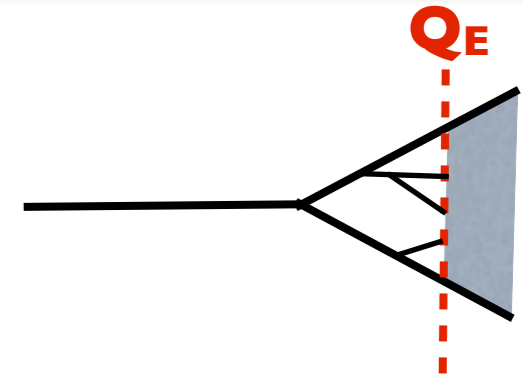
Evolution operator

Think: starting a shower off an incoming on-shell momentum configuration  
Postpone evaluating observable until shower “finished”



# The Evolution Operator

## Depends on Evolution Scale : $Q_E$



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No-evolution Probability

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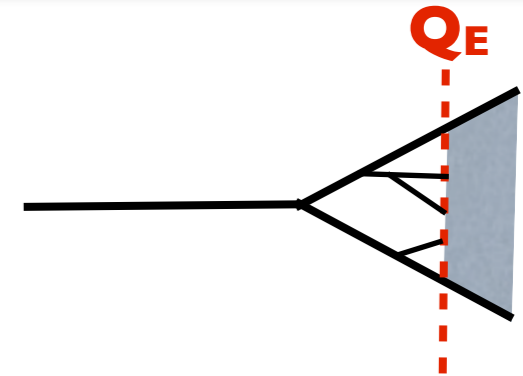
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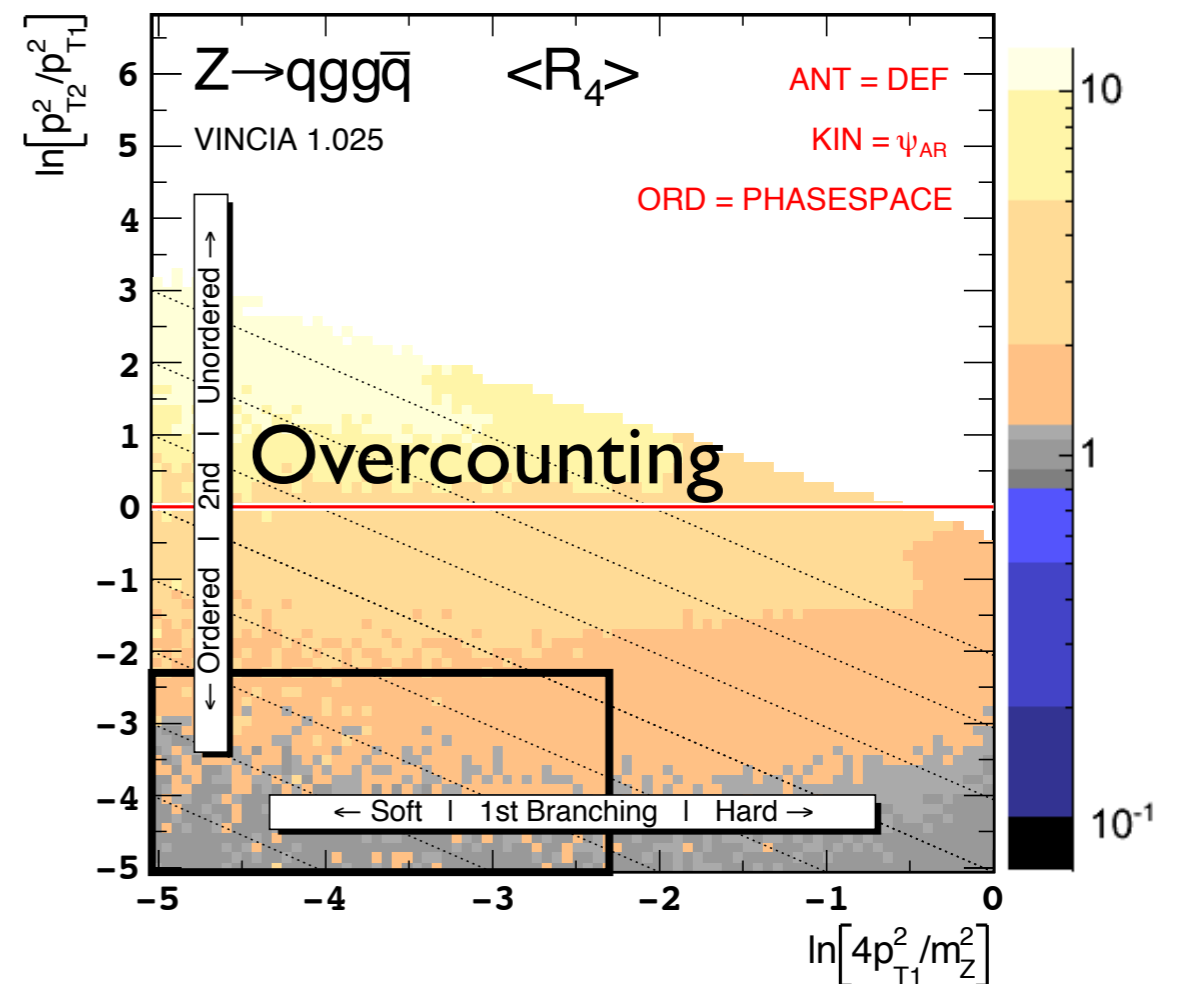
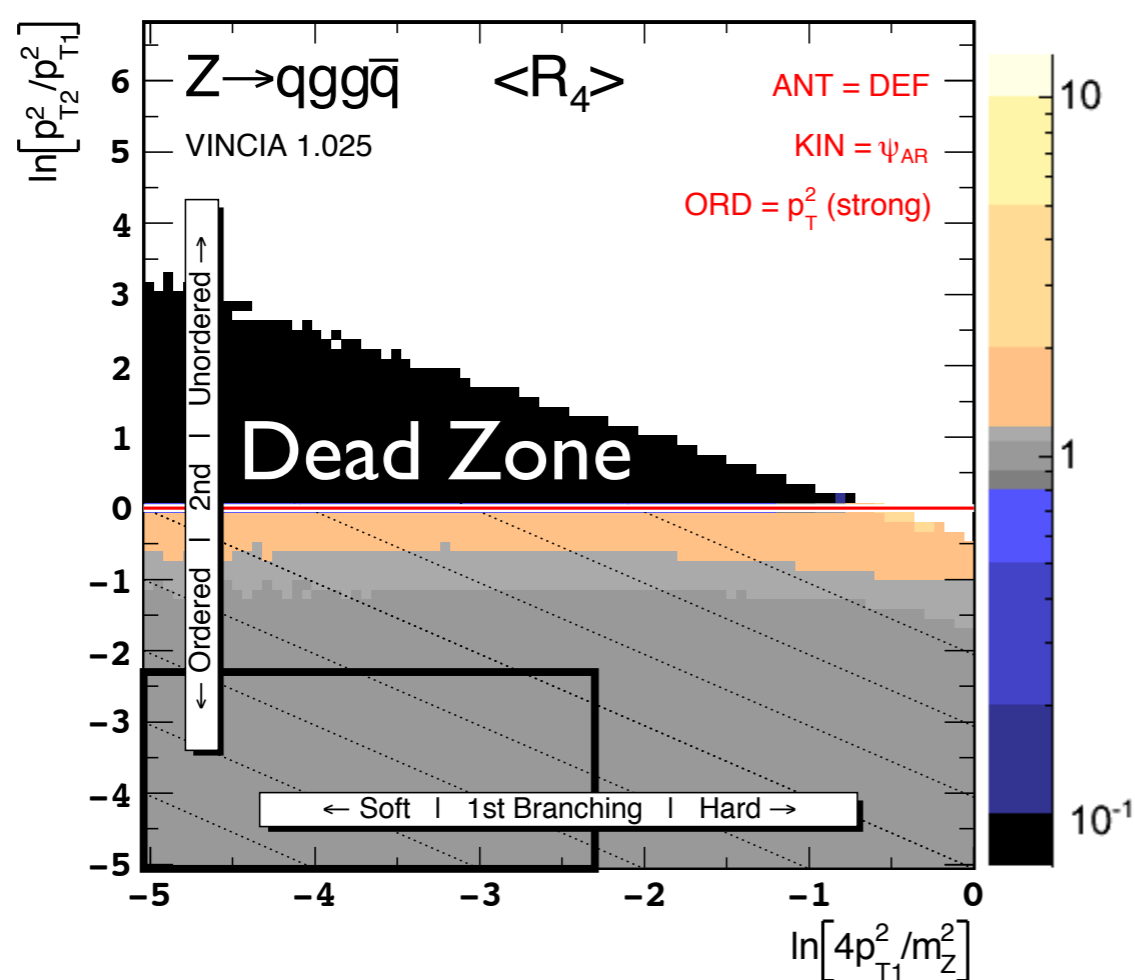
# Simple Solution

## Generate Trials *without* imposing strong ordering

At each step, each dipole allowed to fill its entire phase space

*Overcounting removed by matching*

*(revert to strong ordering beyond matched multiplicities)*



# Better Solution

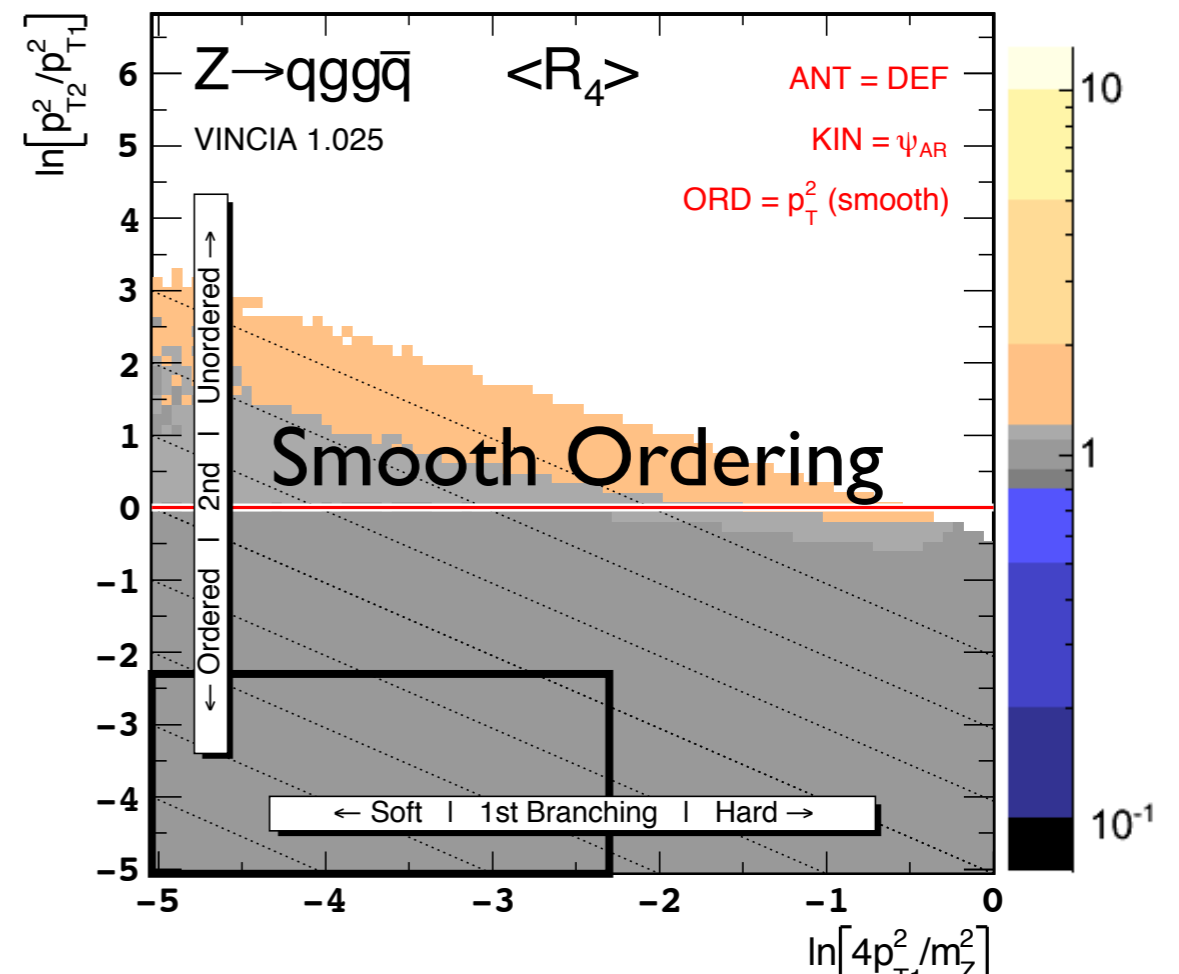
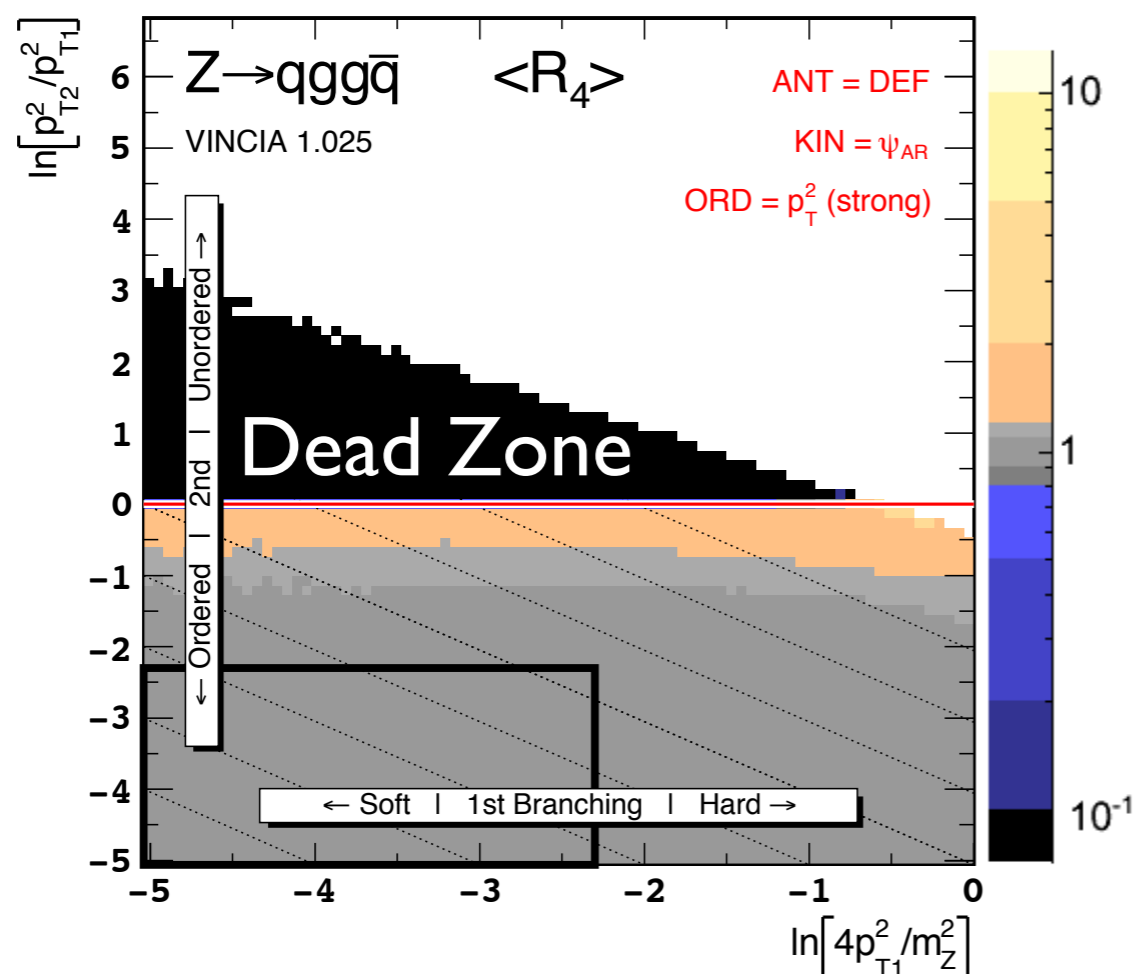
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+ smooth ordering beyond matched multiplicities

$$\frac{\hat{p}_\perp^2}{\hat{p}_\perp^2 + p_\perp^2} P_{LL} \quad \begin{array}{l} \hat{p}_\perp^2 \text{ last branching} \\ p_\perp^2 \text{ current branching} \end{array}$$

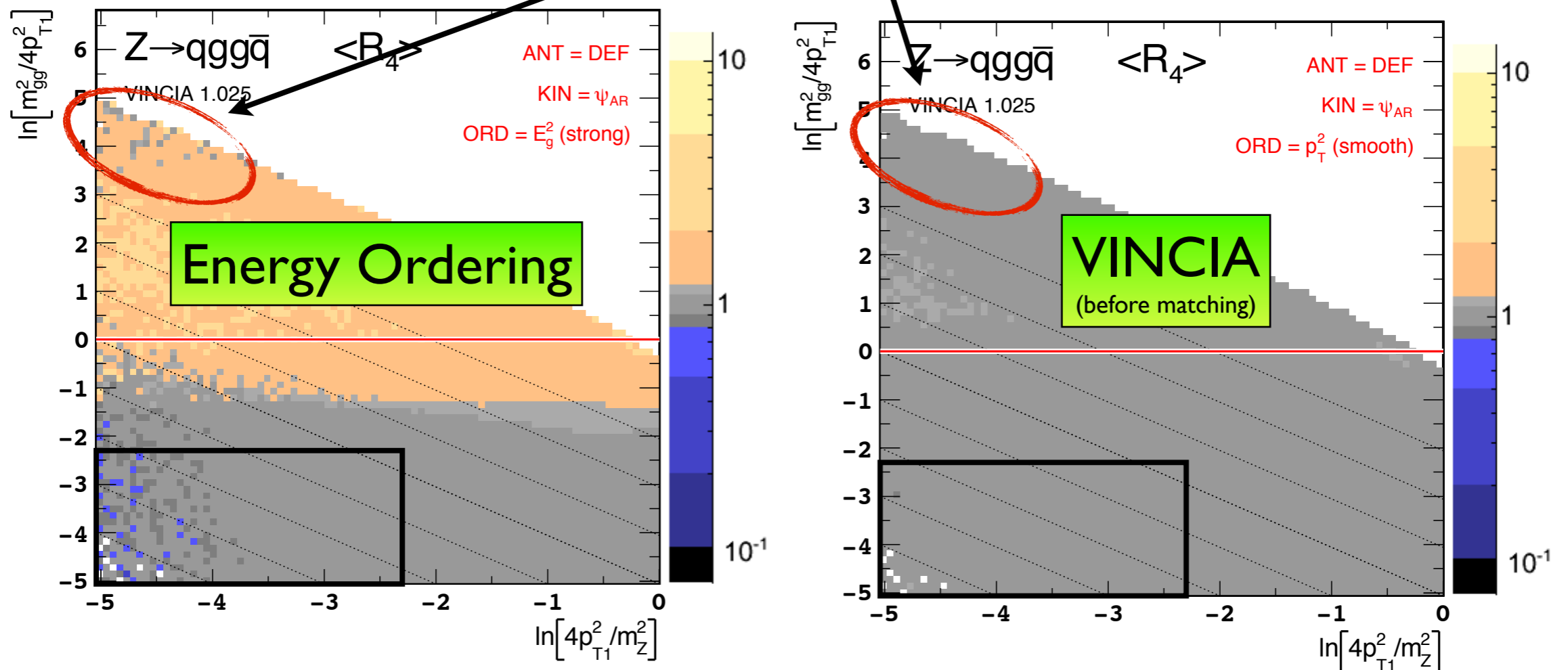


# (Subleading Singularities)

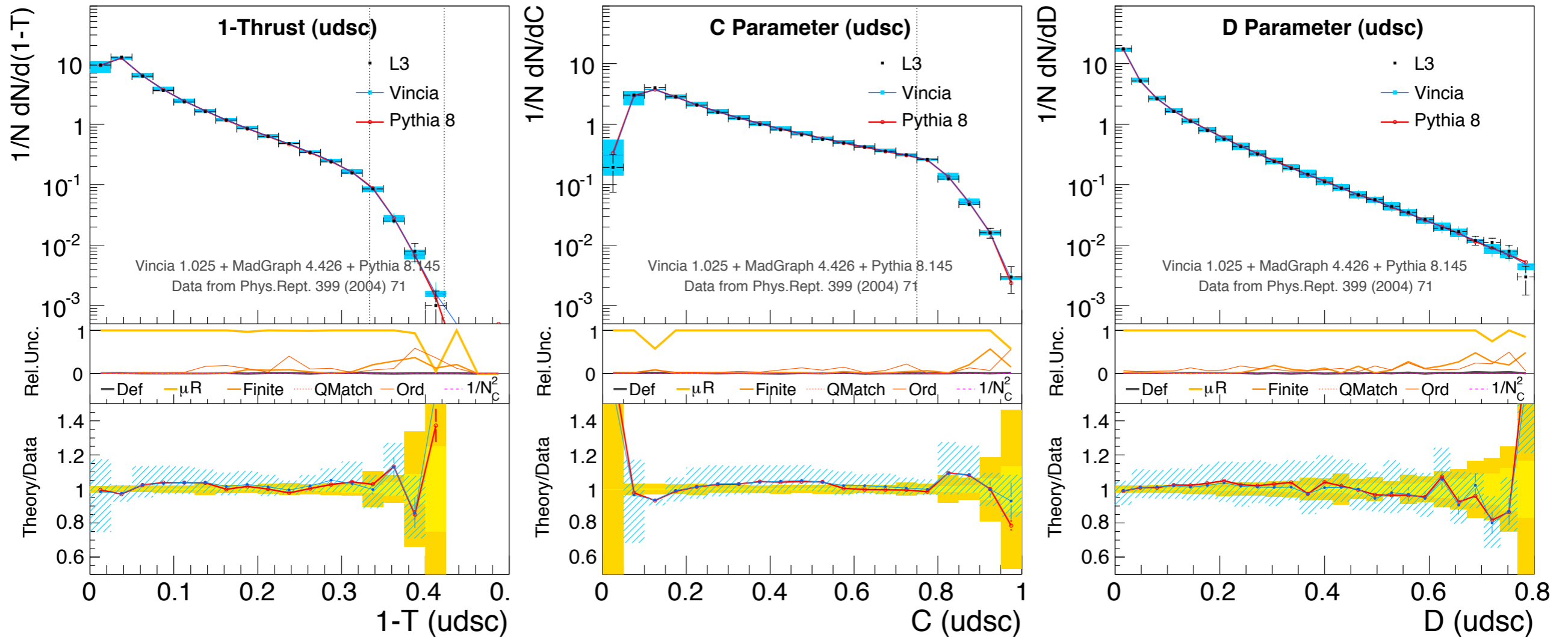
Isolate double-collinear region:

$$\alpha_s^2 \ln^2$$

$Z \rightarrow 4 : [q, g, g, qbar]$  with  $m_{gg} = m_Z$



# LEP event shapes

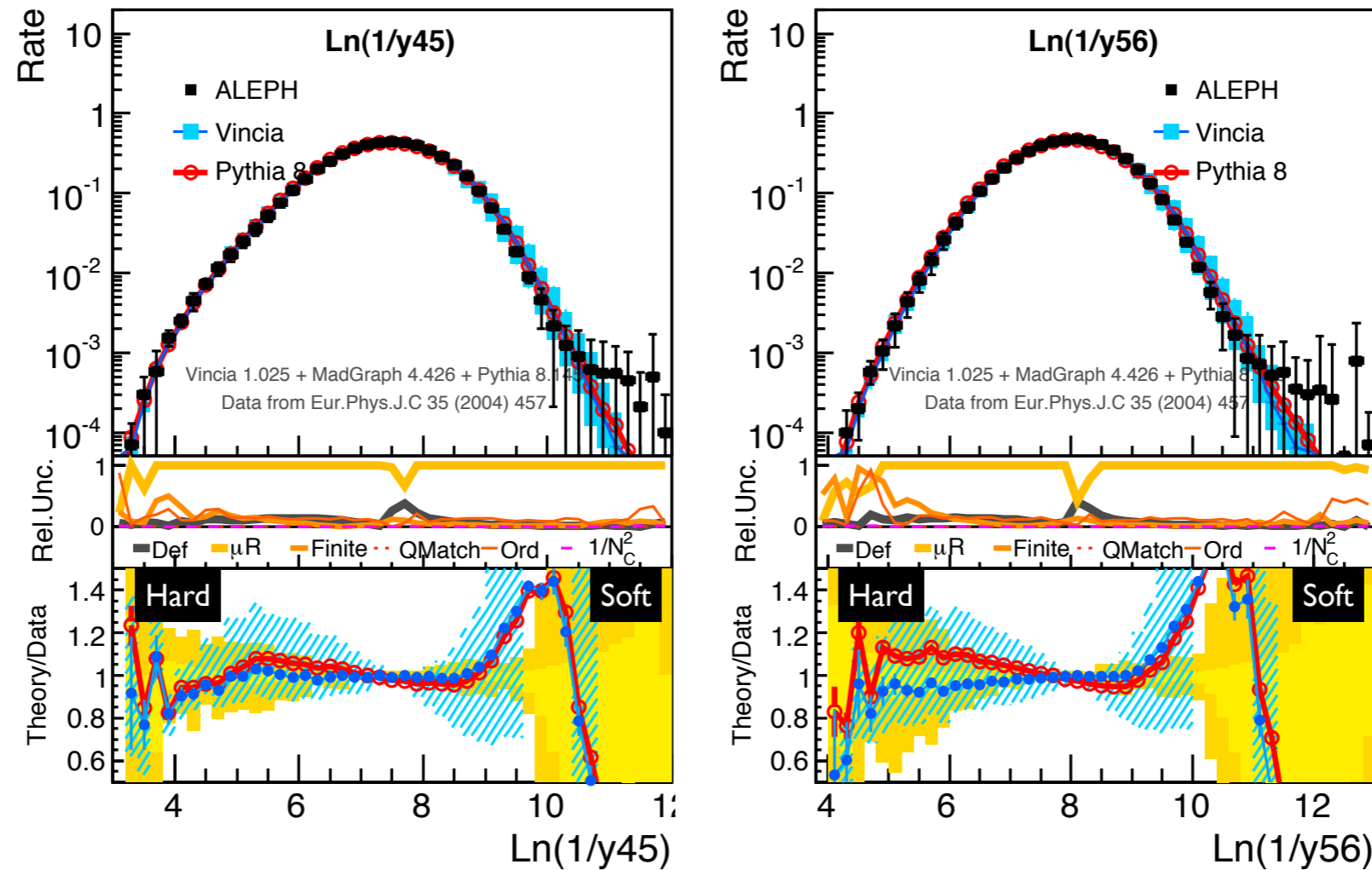


PYTHIA 8 already doing a very good job

VINCIA adds uncertainty bands + can look at more exclusive observables?



# Multijet resolution scales



$y_{45}$  = scale at which 5<sup>th</sup> jet becomes resolved ~ “scale of 5<sup>th</sup> jet”

# 4-Jet Angles

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Sensitive to polarization effects

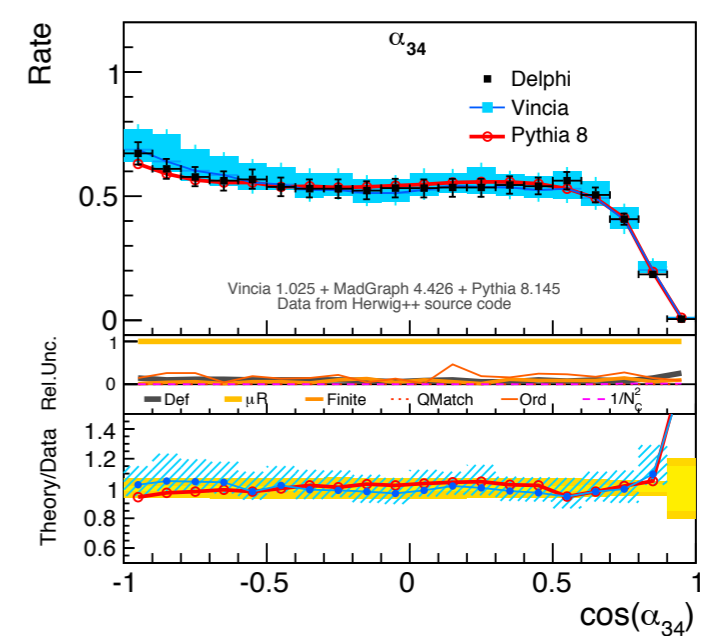
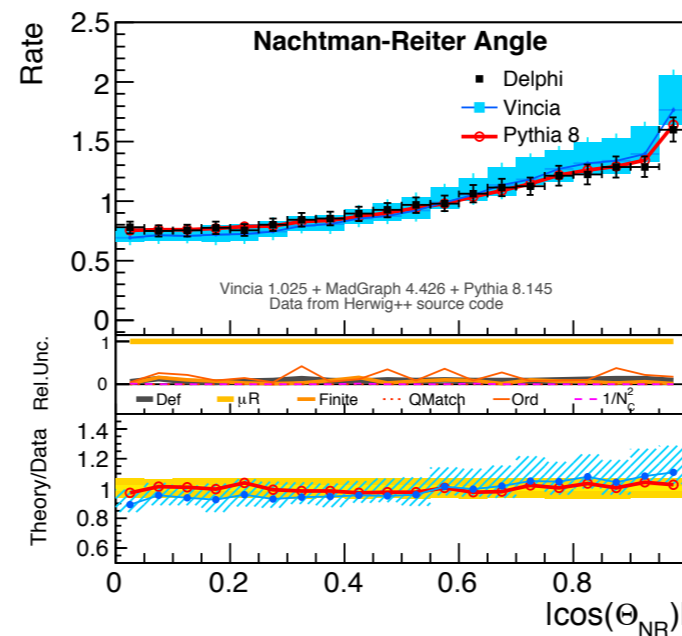
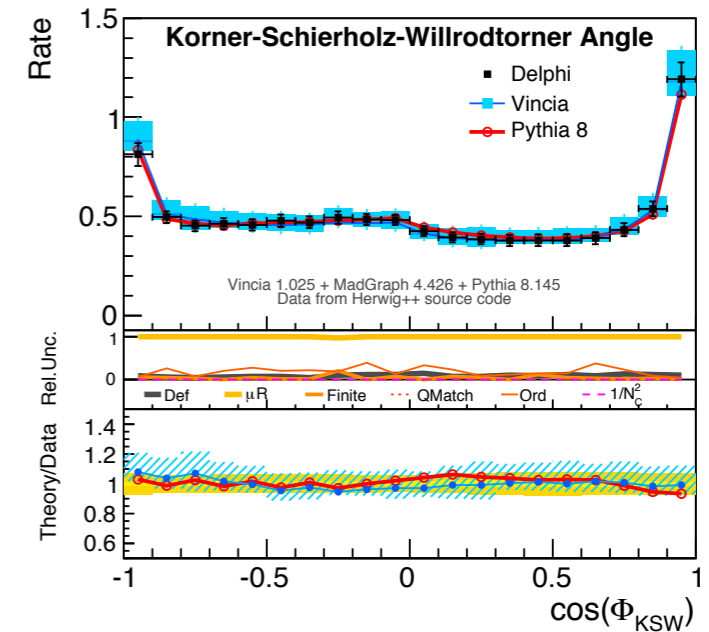
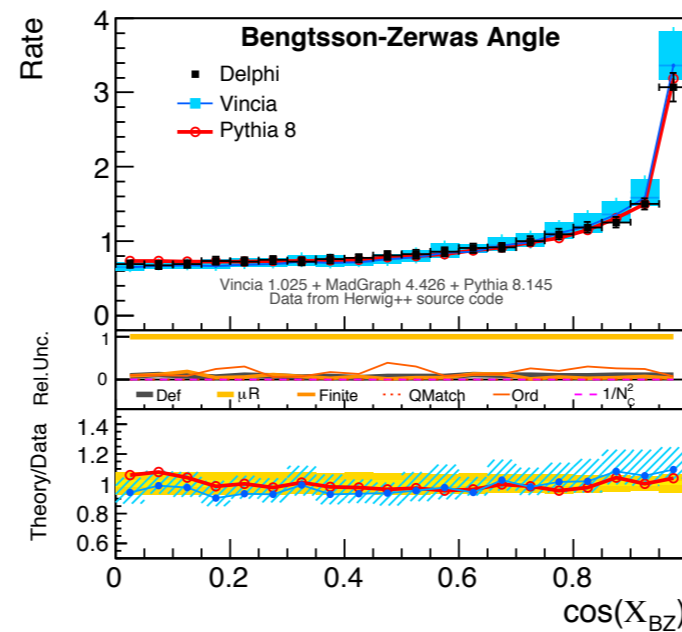
## Good News

VINCIA is doing reliably well

Non-trivial verification that shower+matching is working, etc.

## Higher-order matching needed?

PYTHIA 8 already doing a very good job on these observables



Interesting to look at more exclusive observables, but which ones?