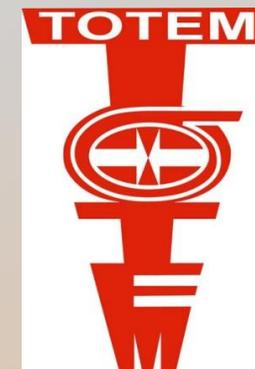


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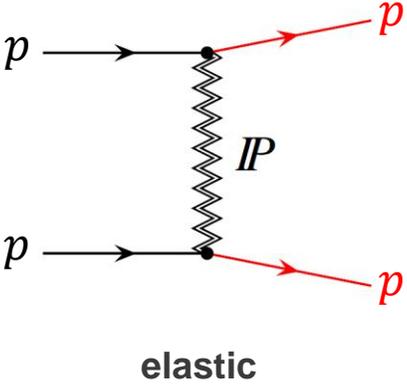
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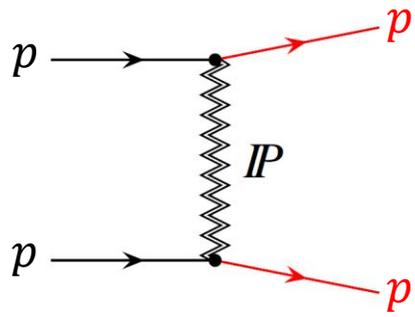
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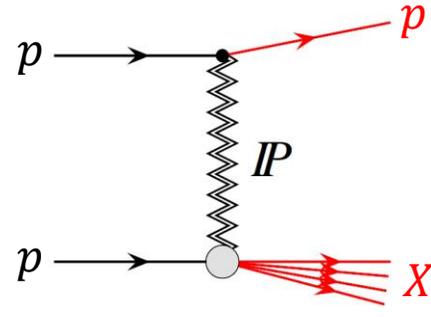
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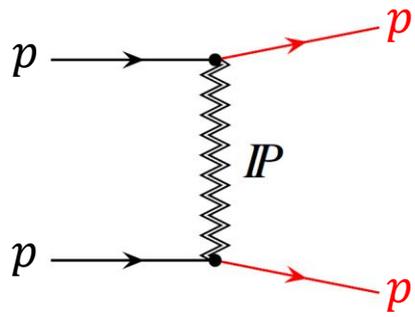


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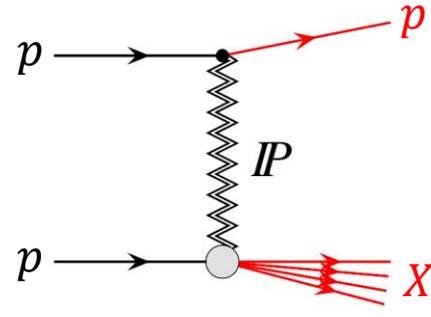


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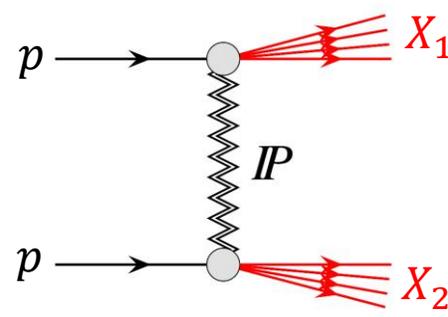
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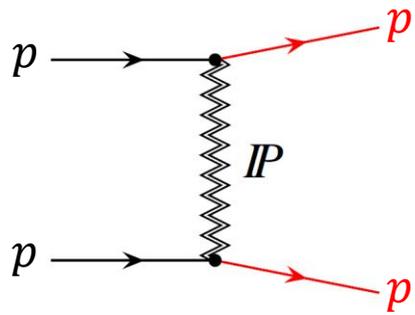


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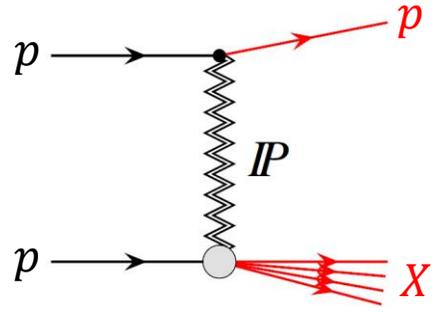


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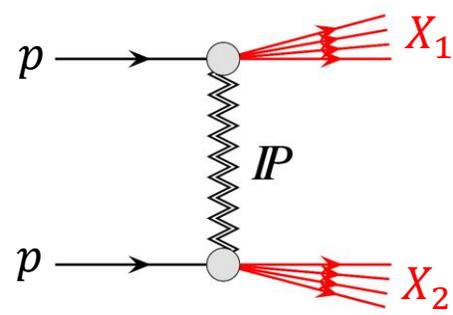
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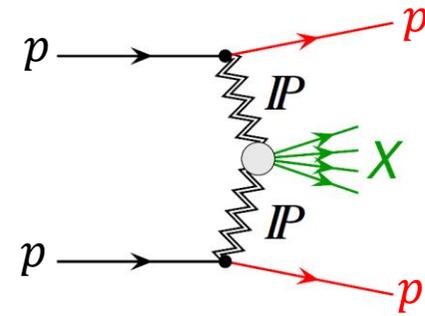
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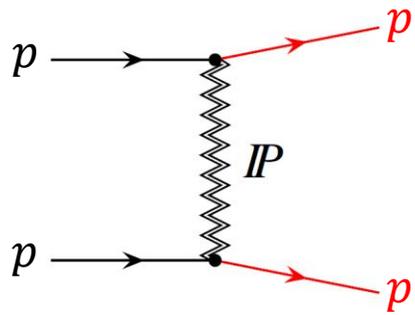


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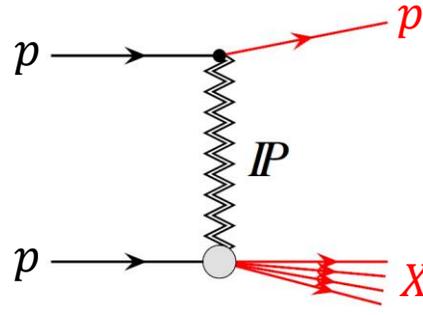


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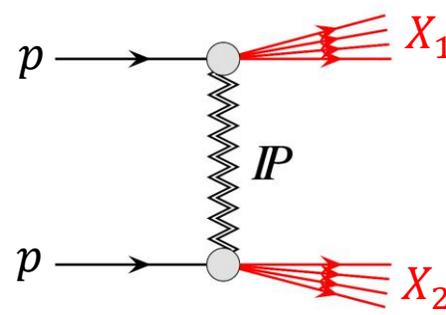
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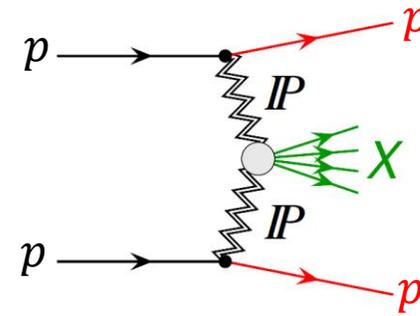
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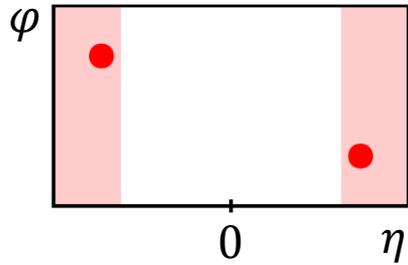
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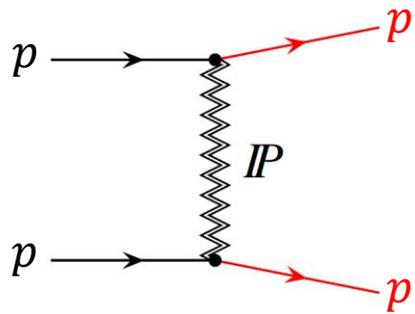
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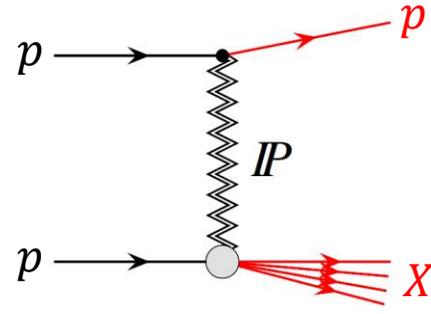
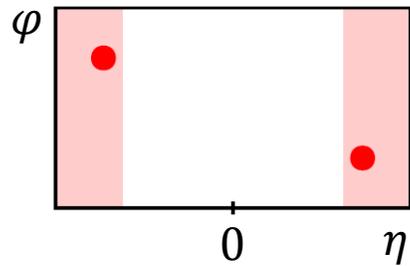
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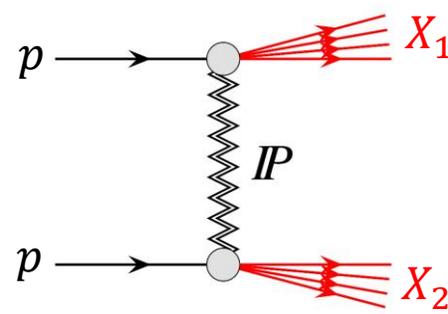
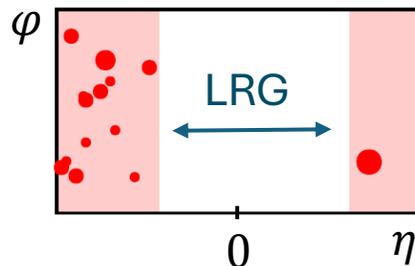
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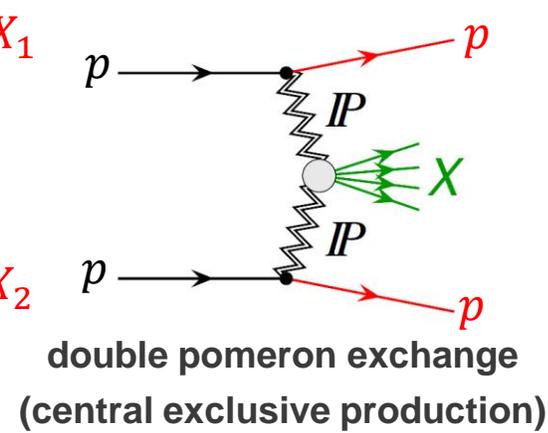
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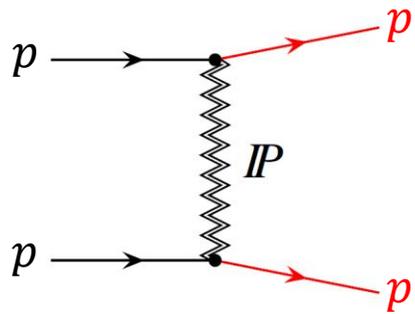
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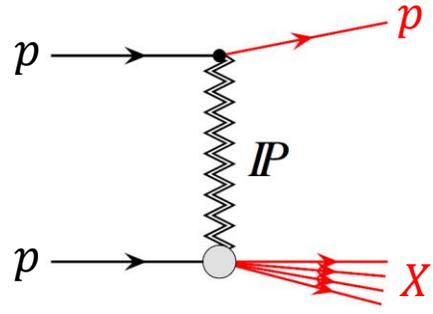
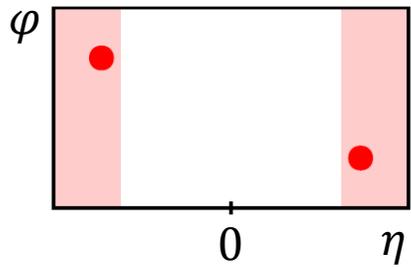
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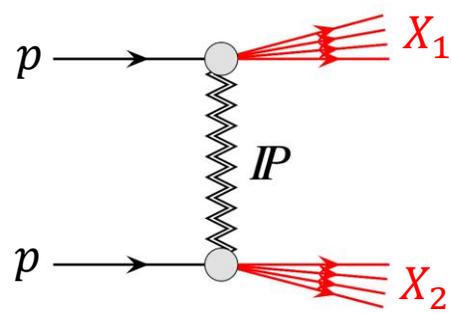
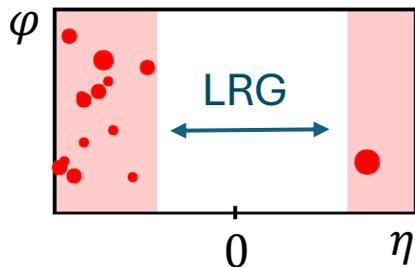
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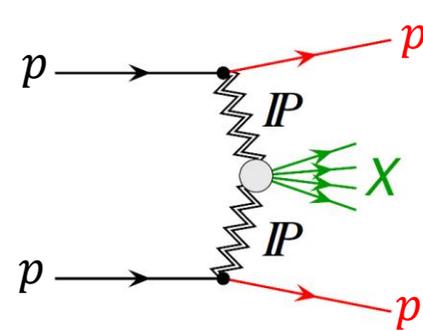
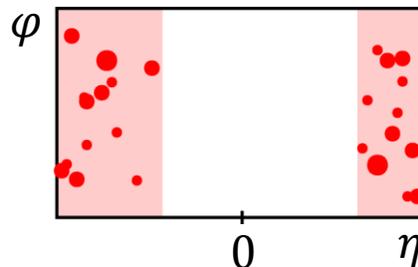
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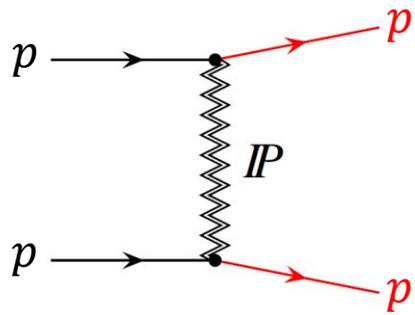


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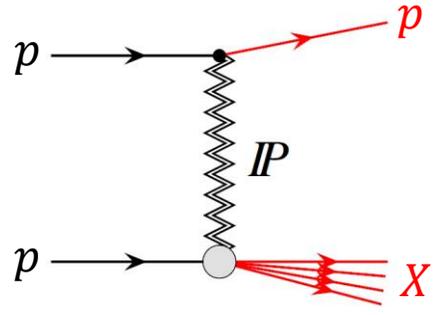
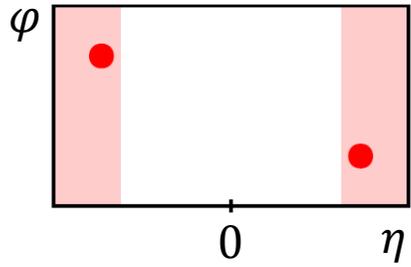


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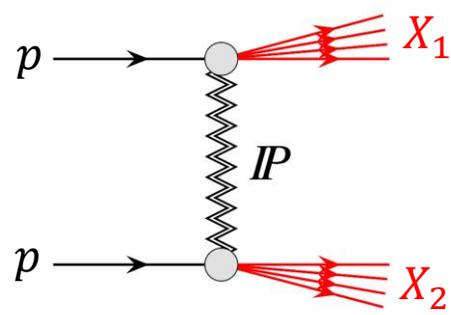
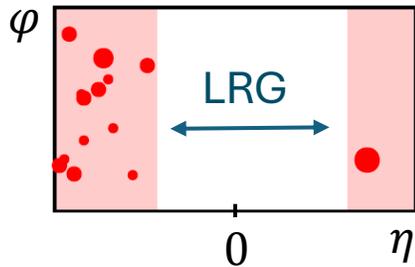
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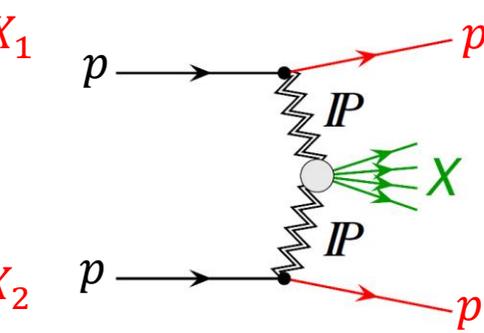
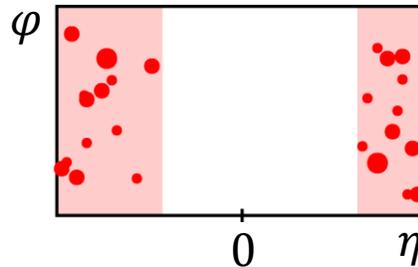
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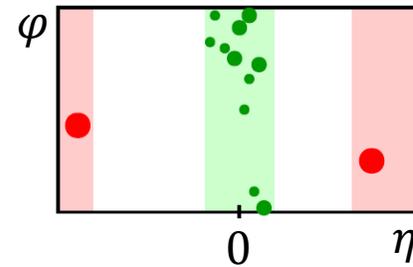
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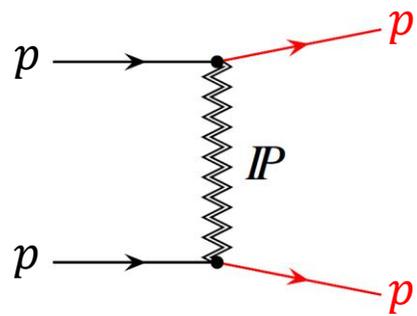
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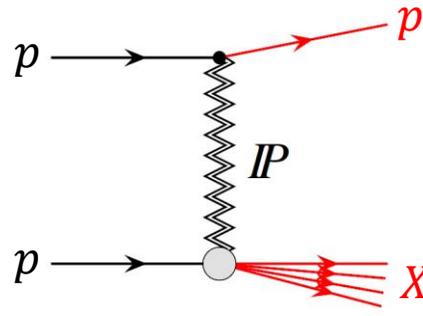
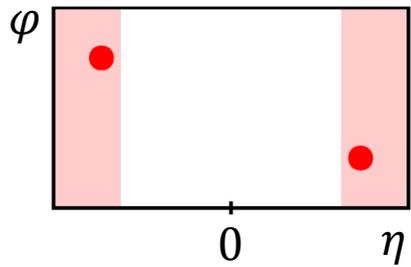
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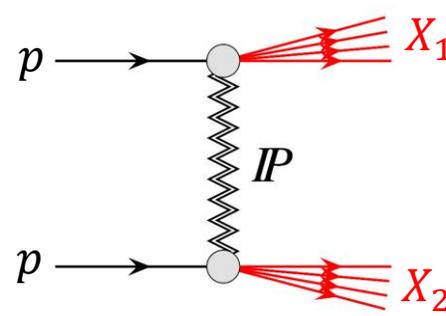
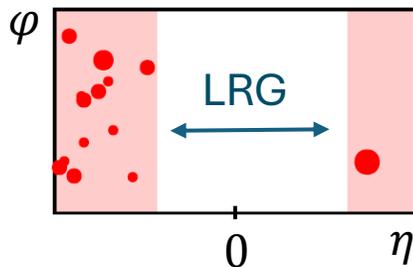
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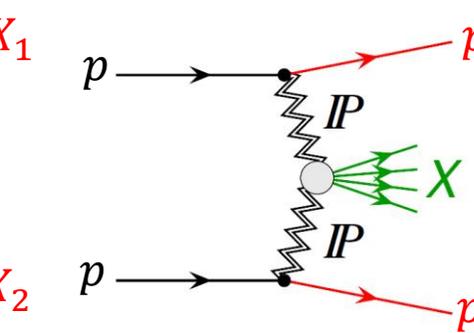
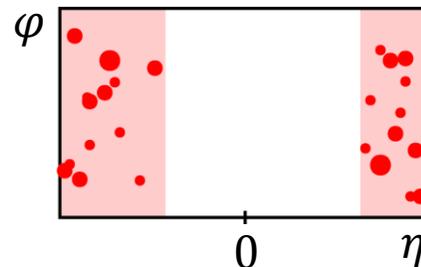
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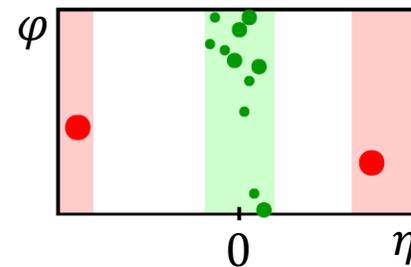
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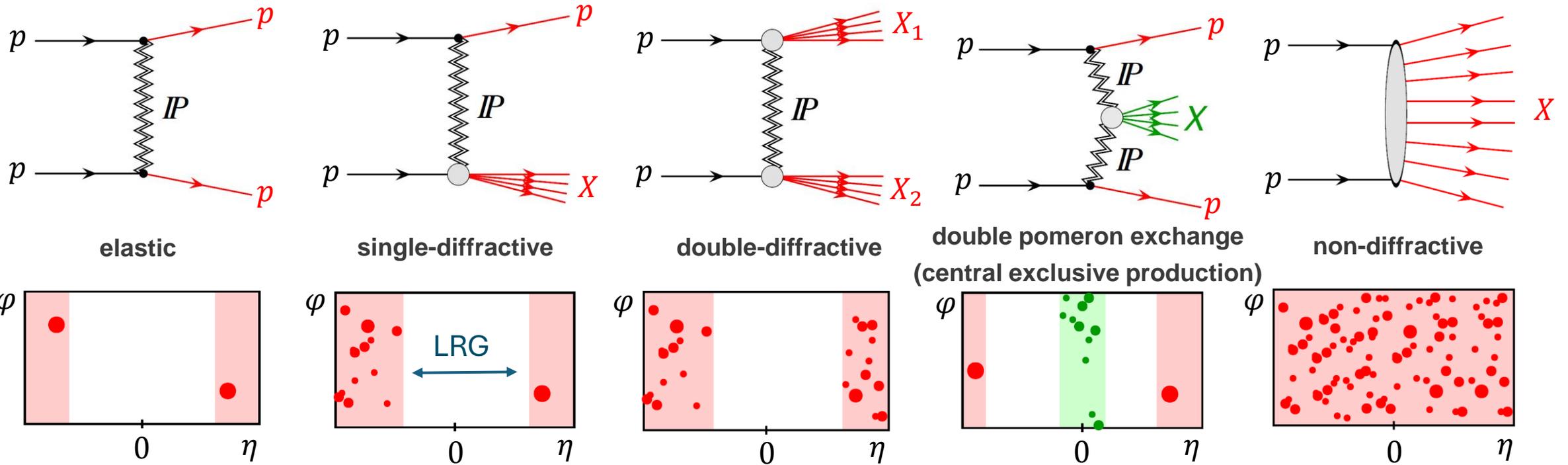


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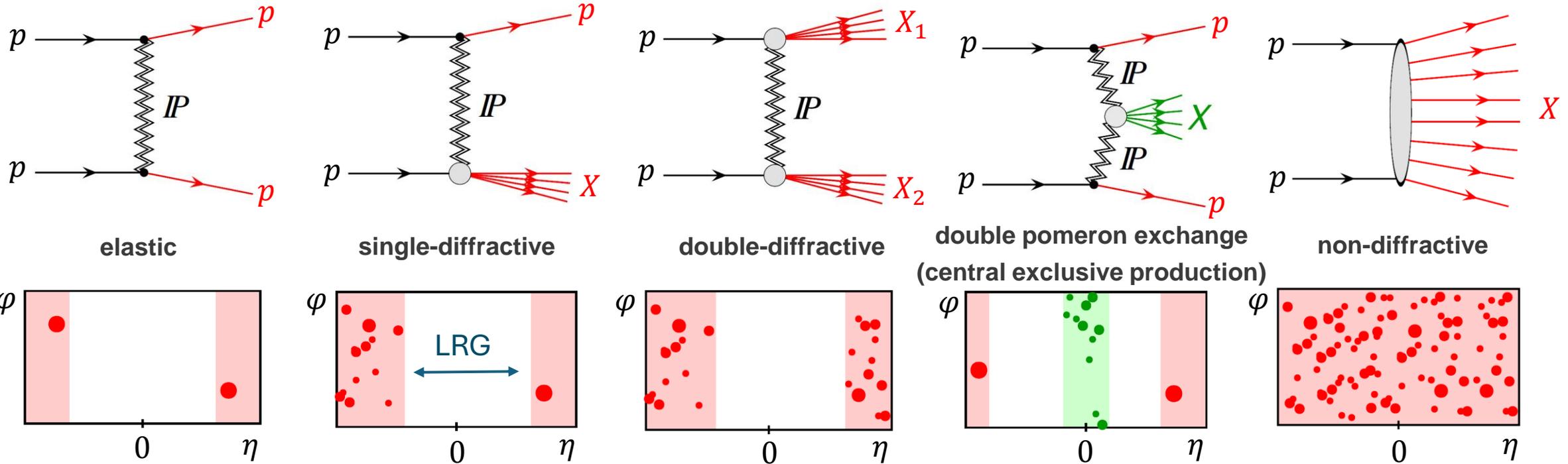
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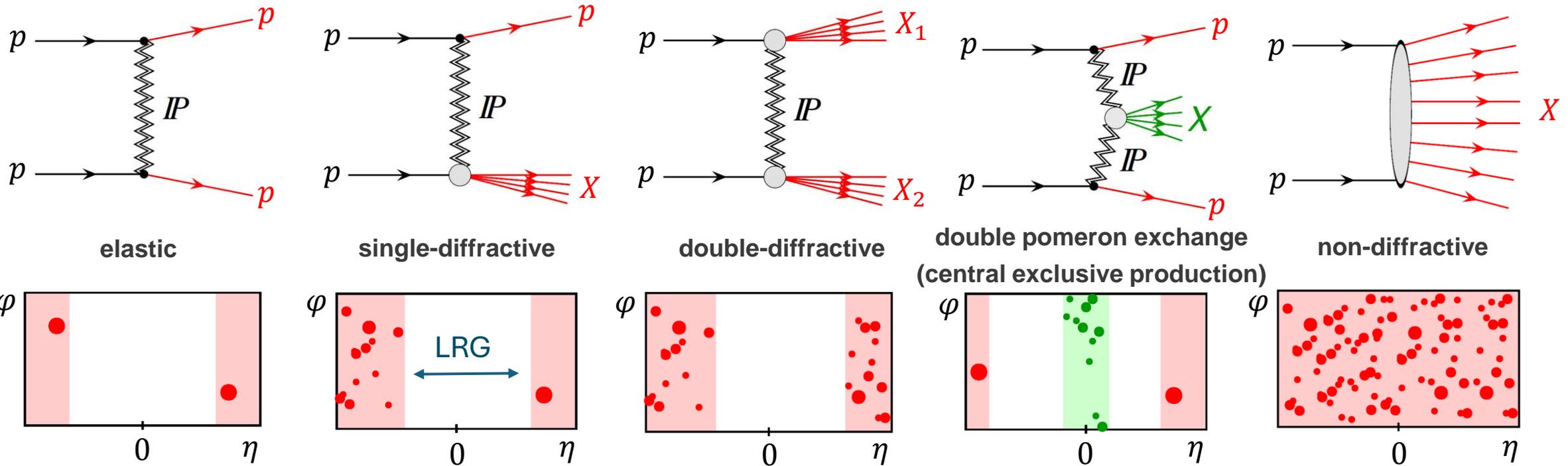
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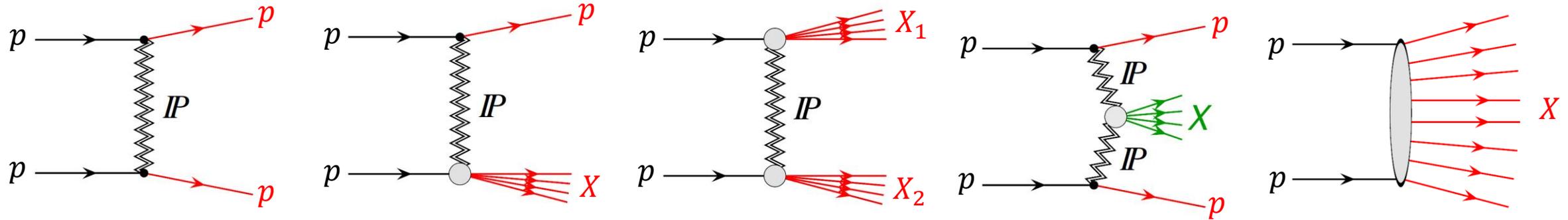


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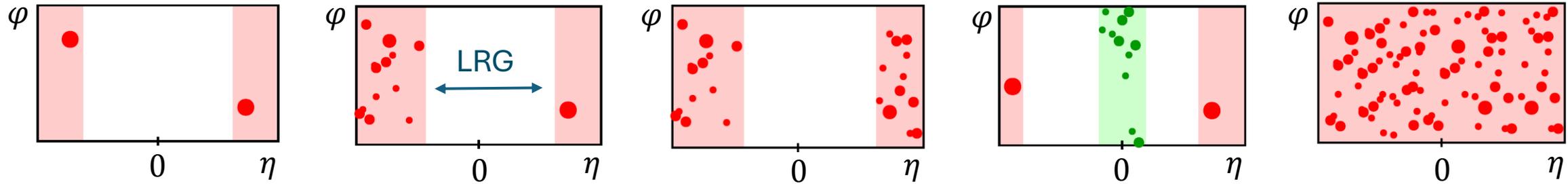
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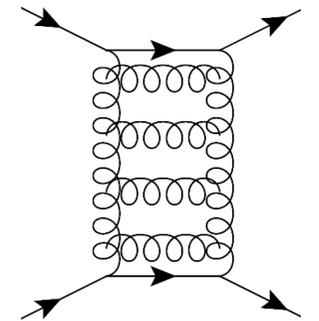
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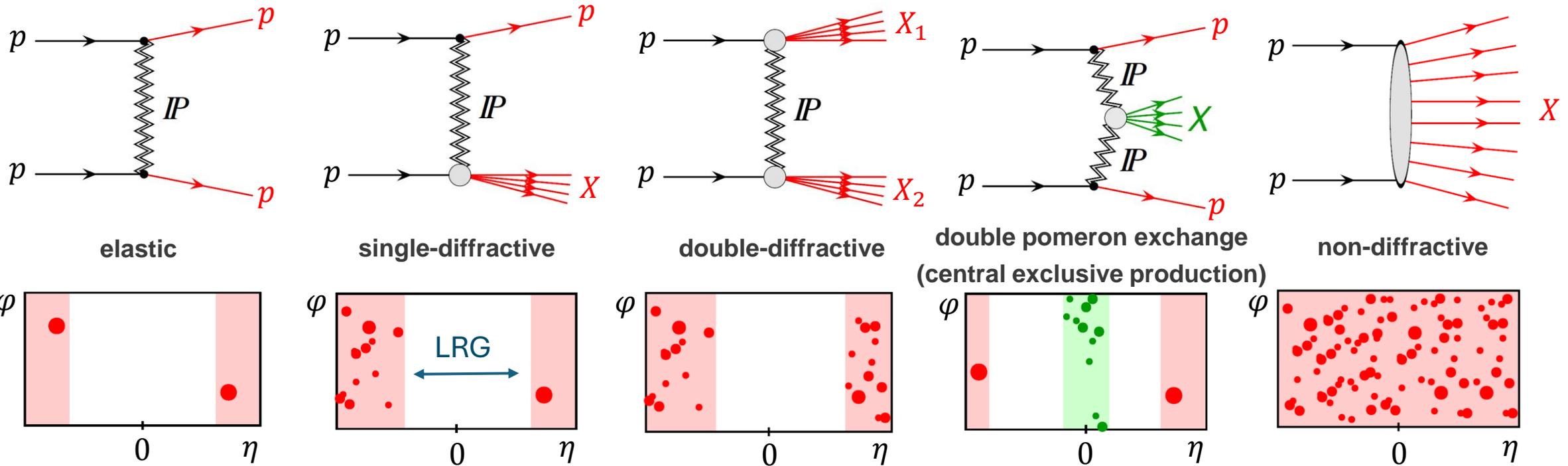
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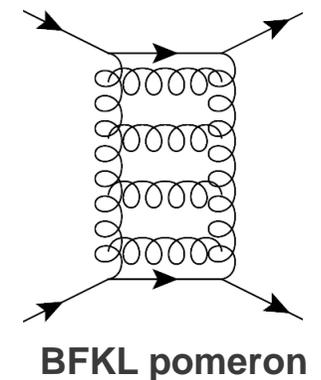


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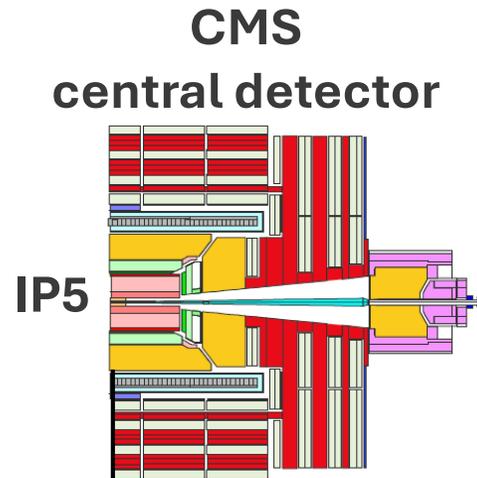
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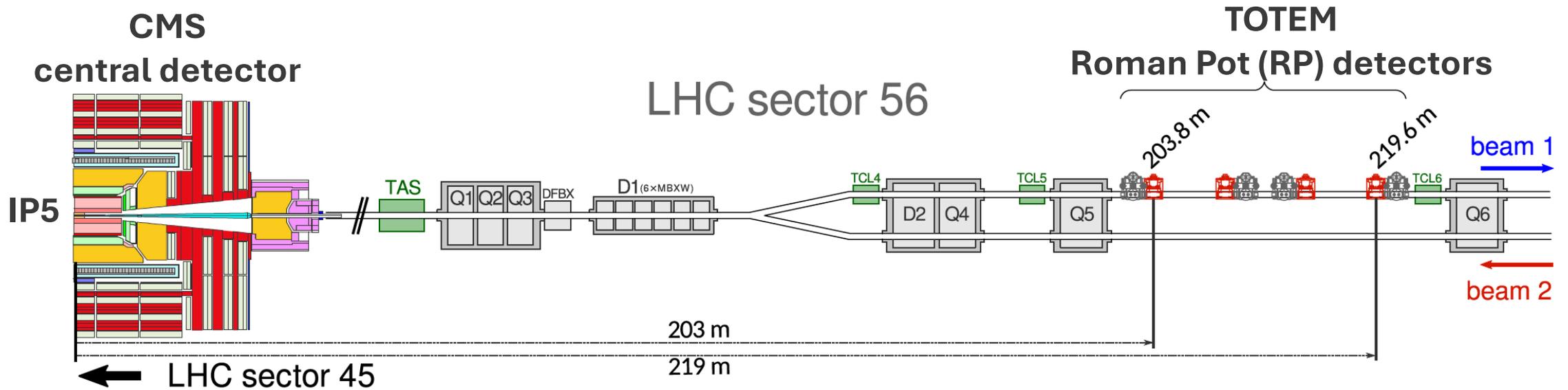
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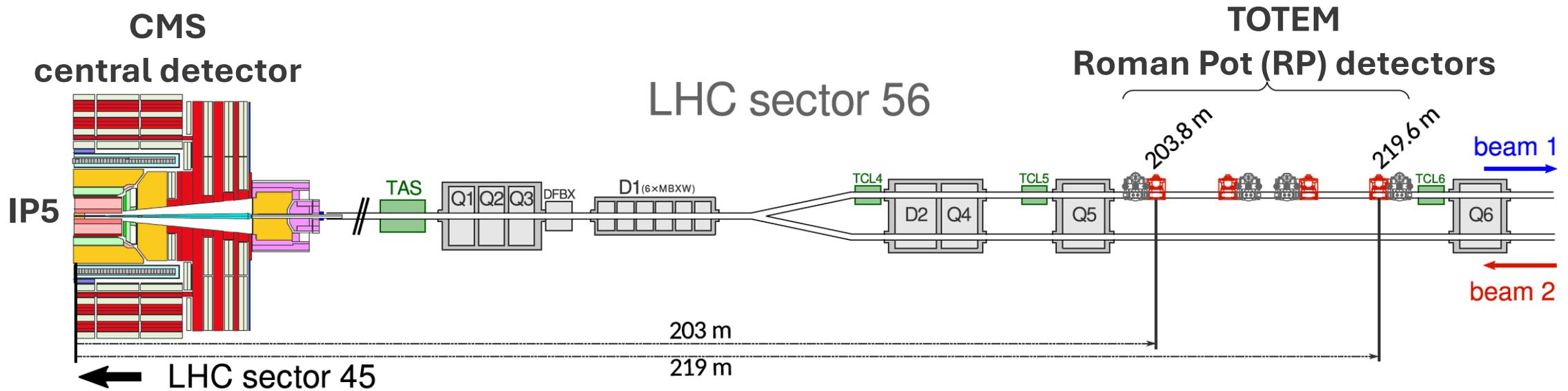
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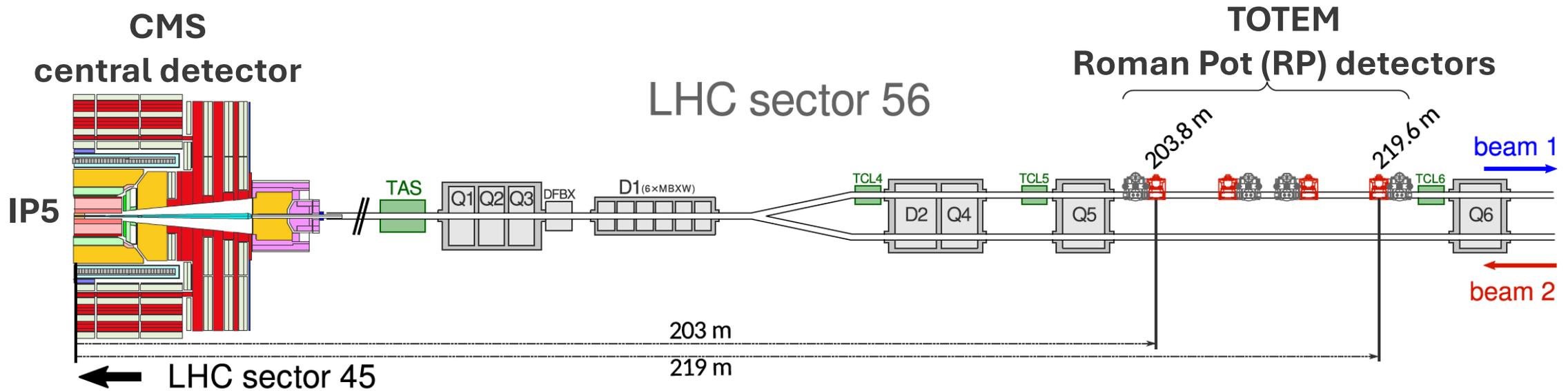


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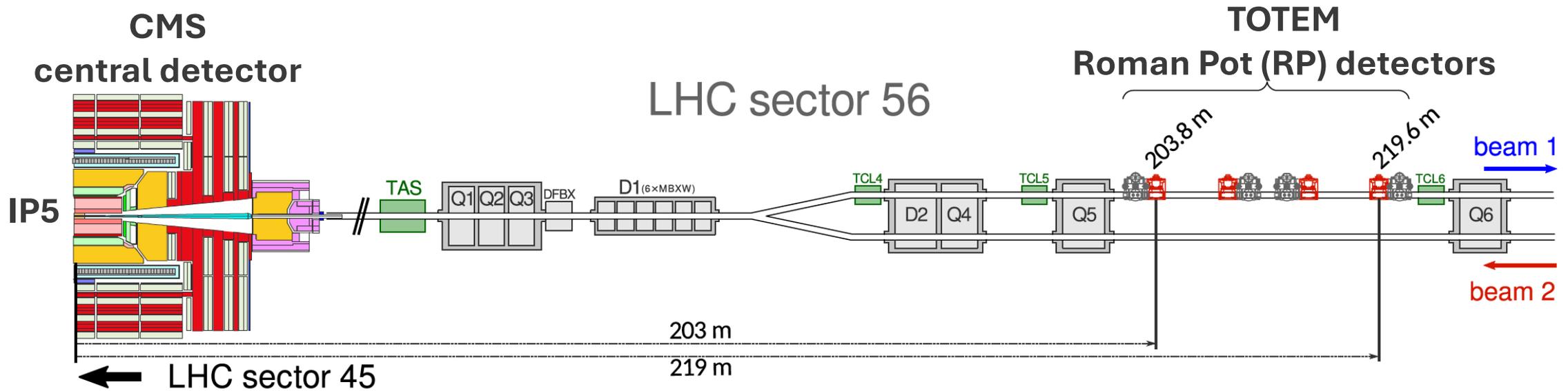
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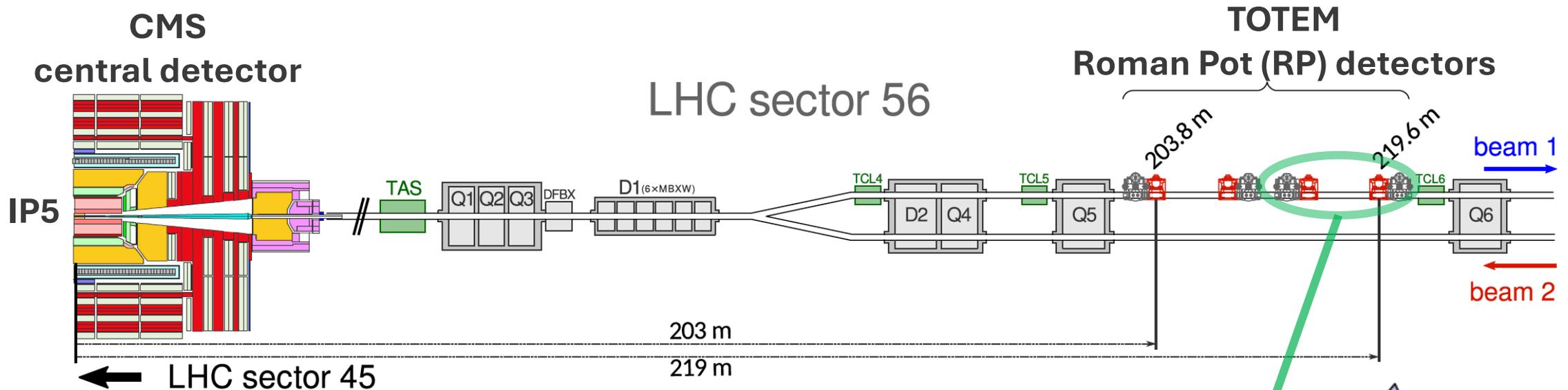


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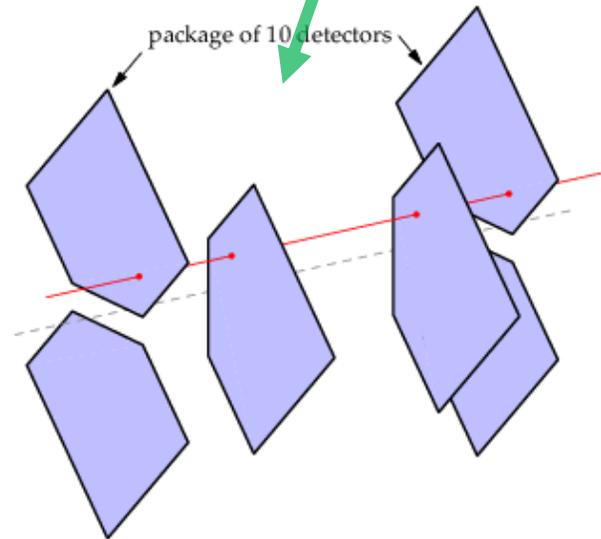
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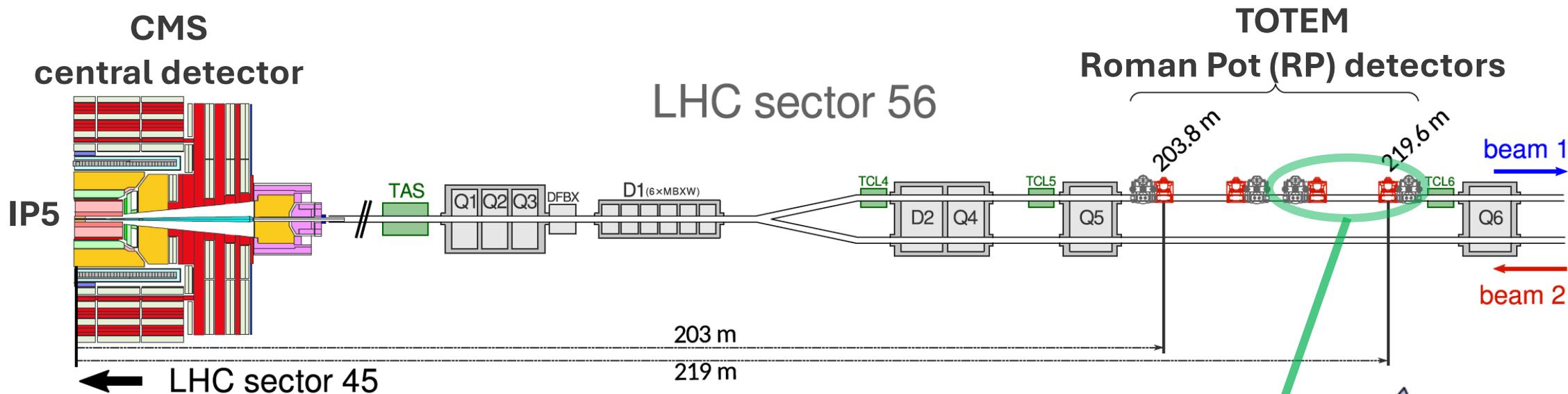
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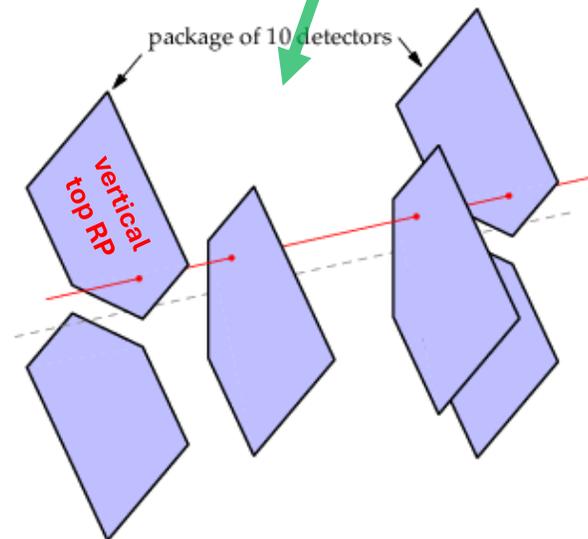
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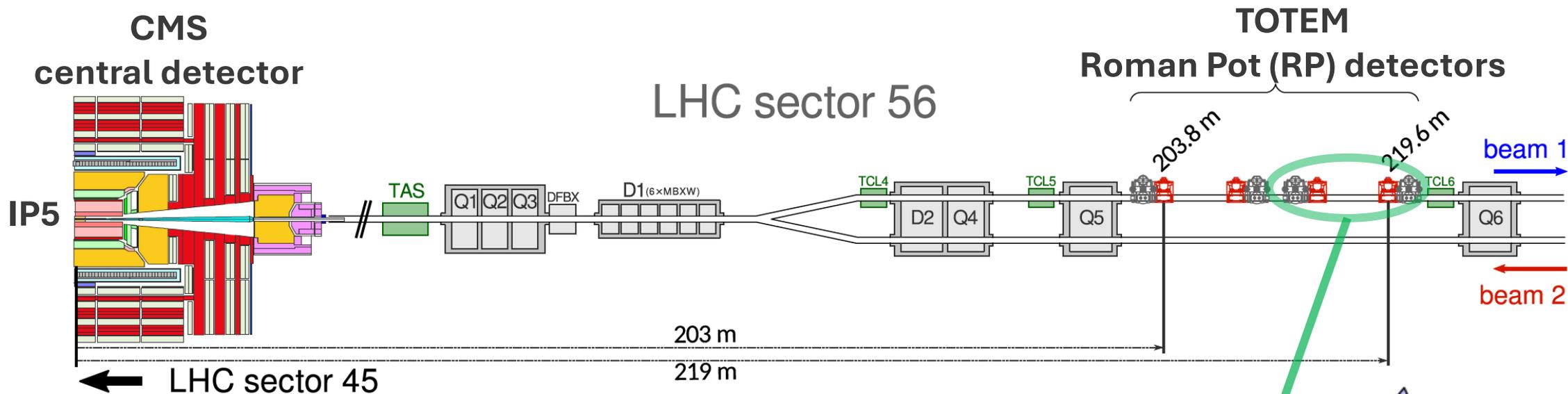
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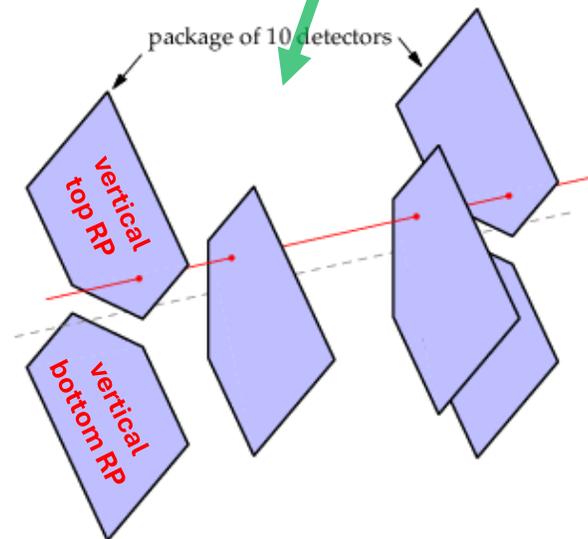
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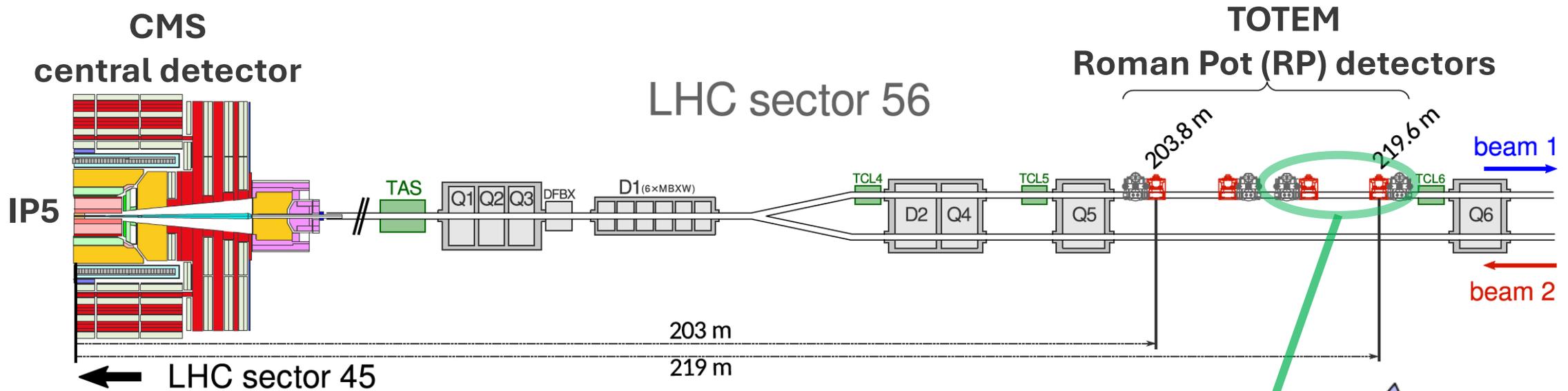
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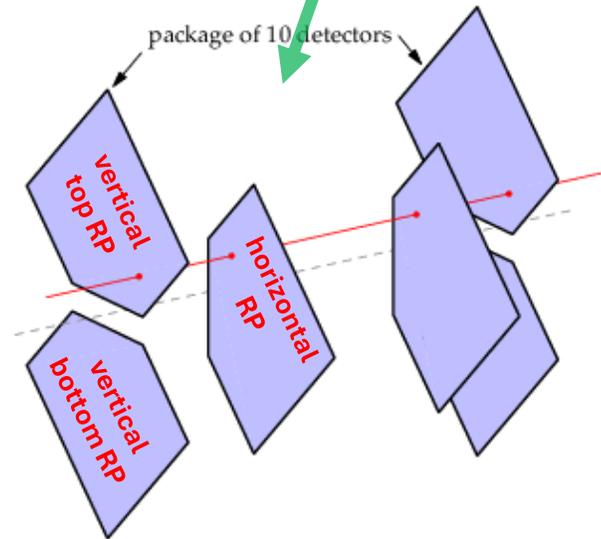
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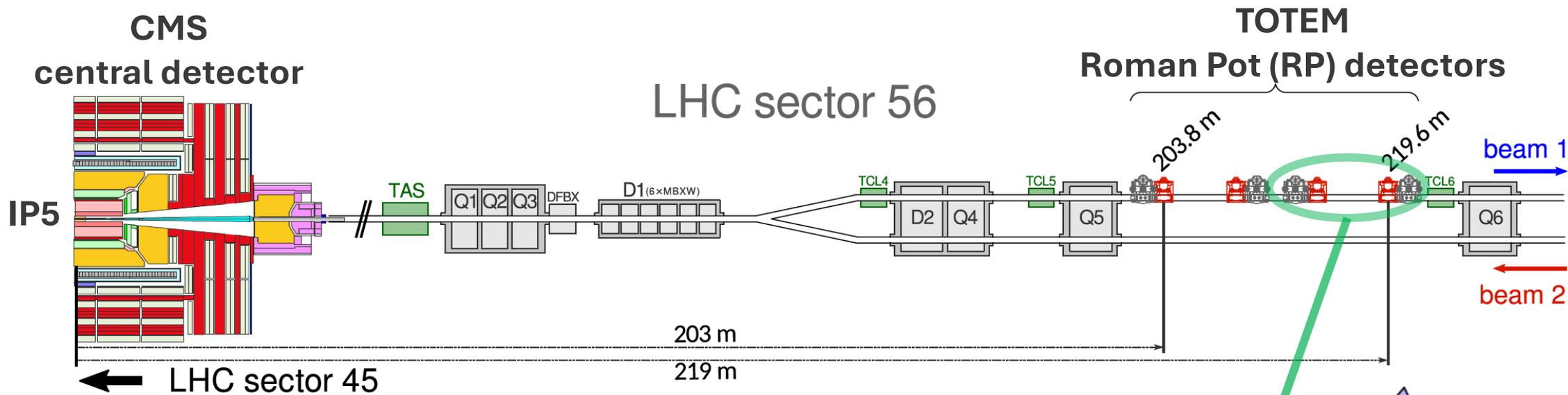
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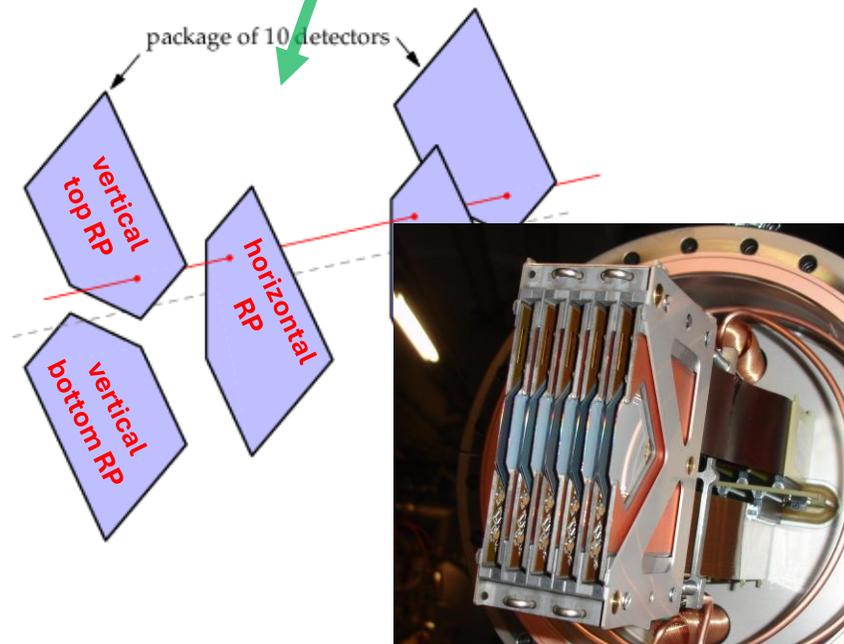
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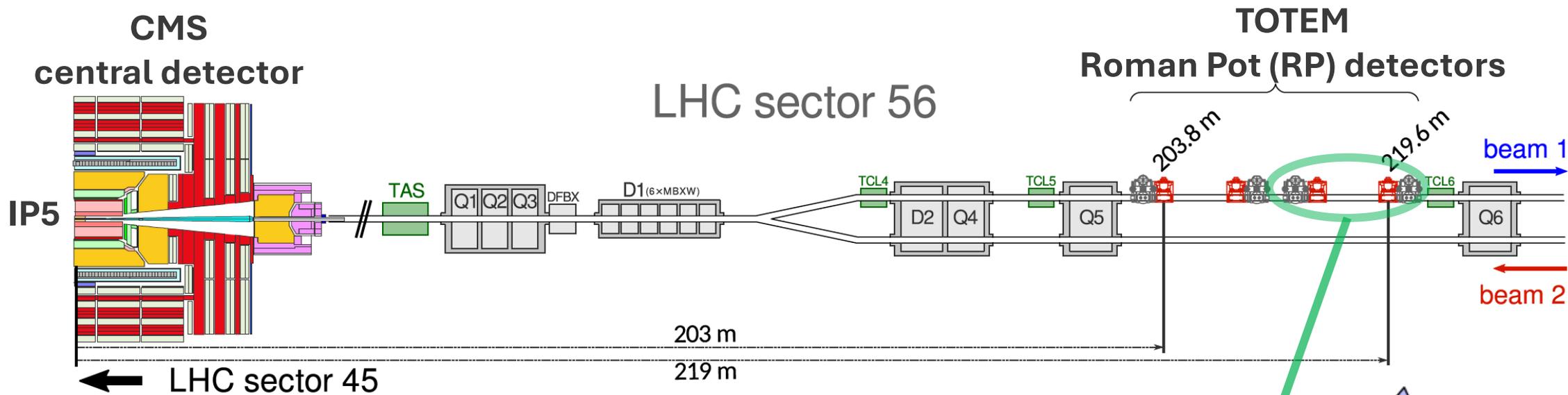
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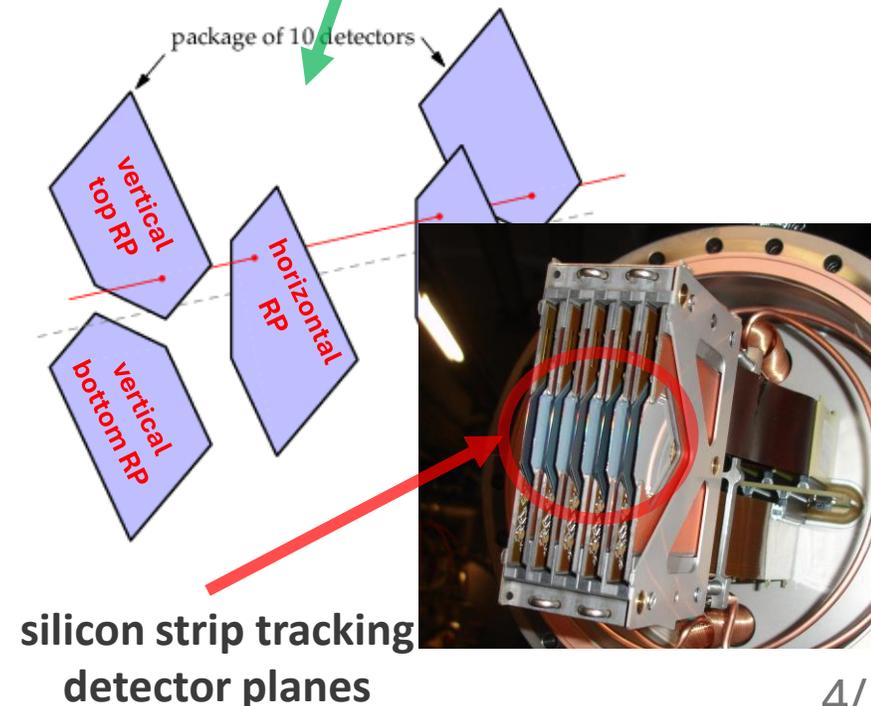
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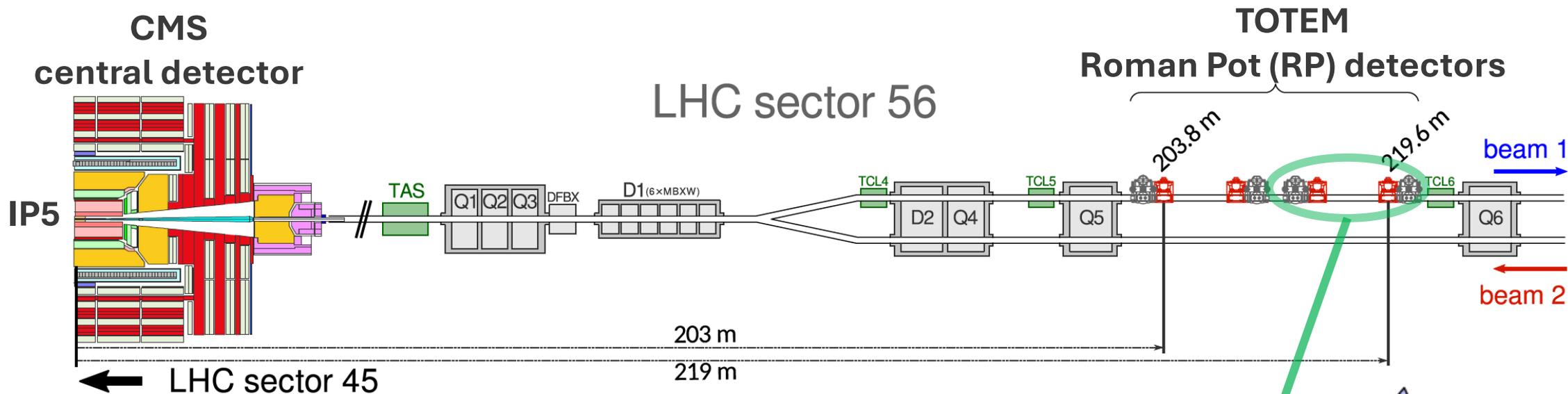
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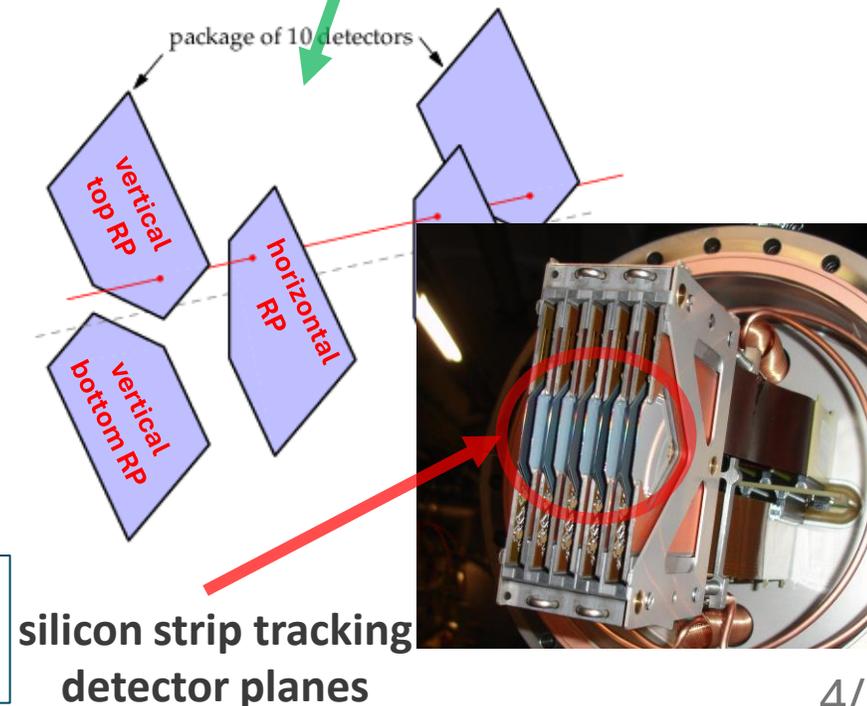


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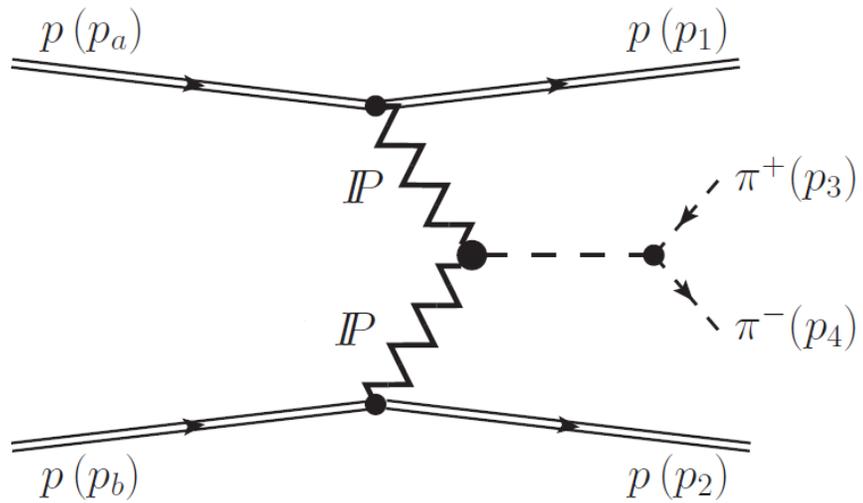
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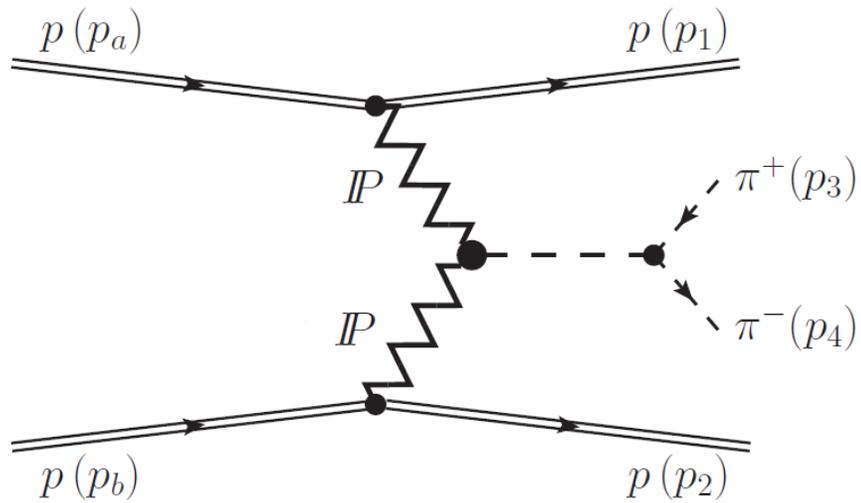
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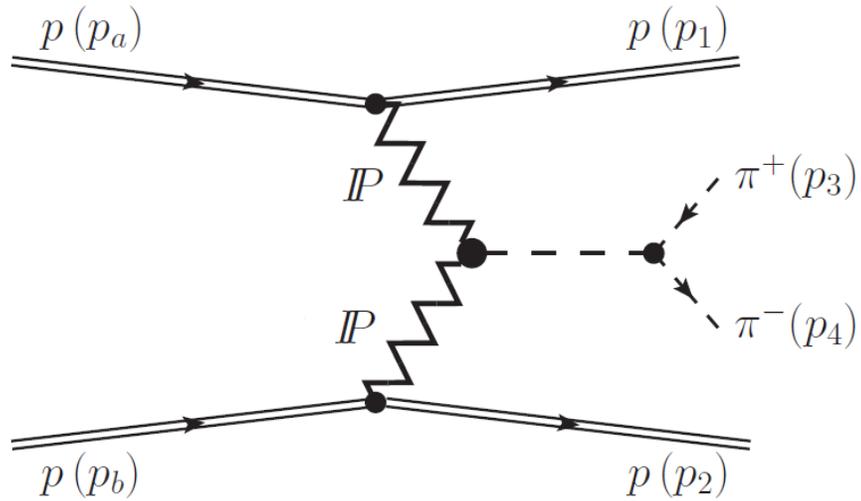
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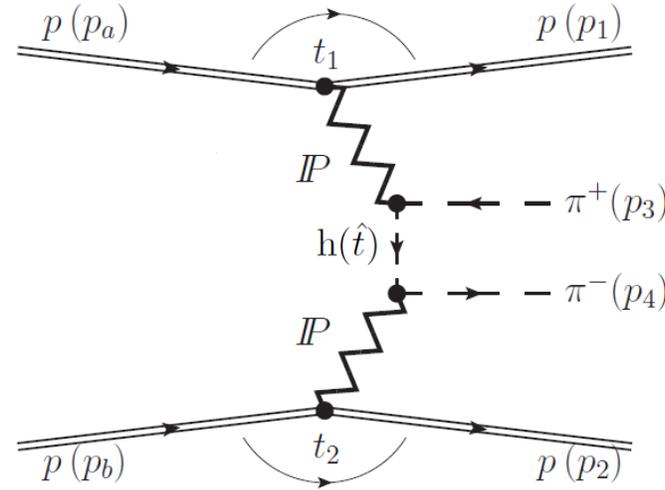
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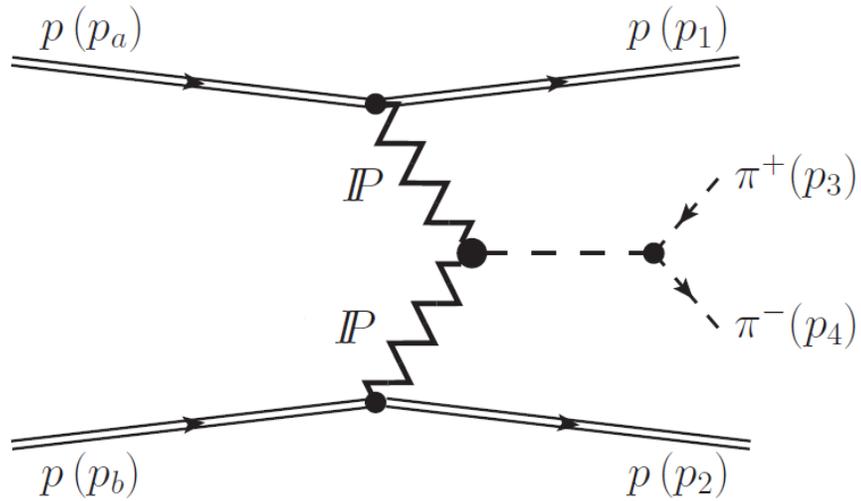


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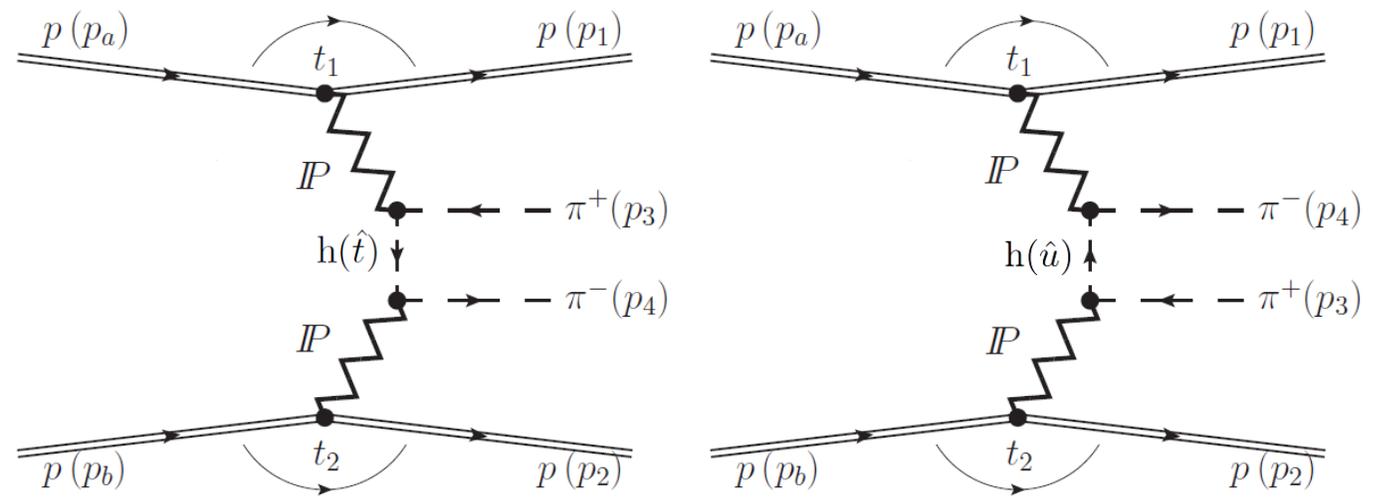


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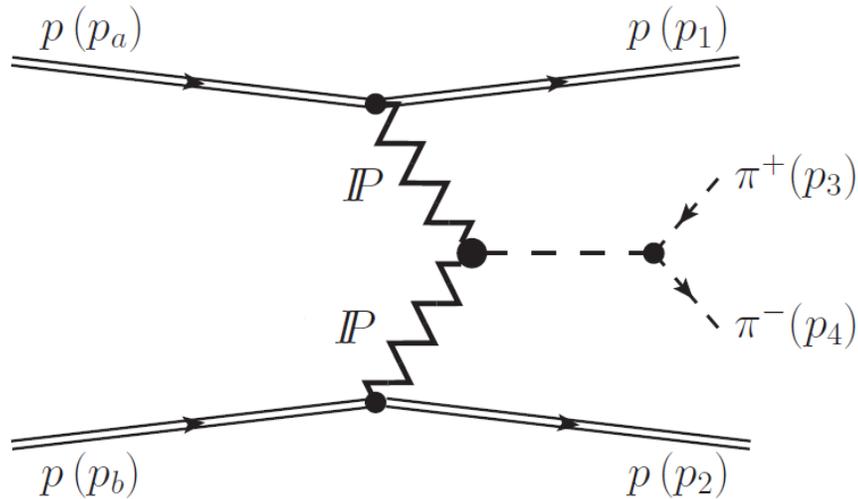


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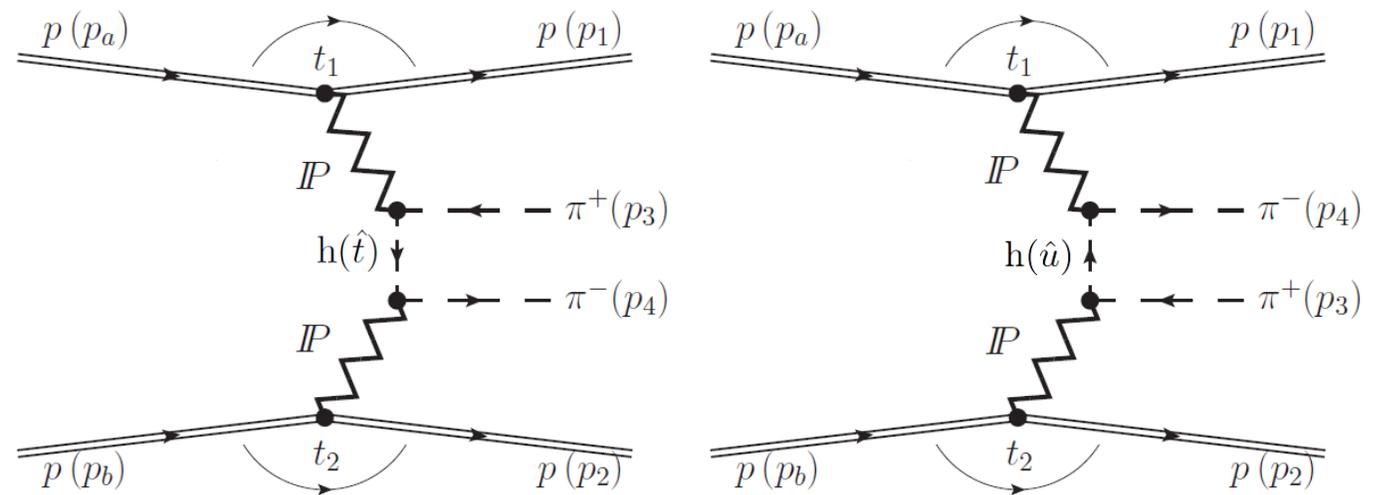


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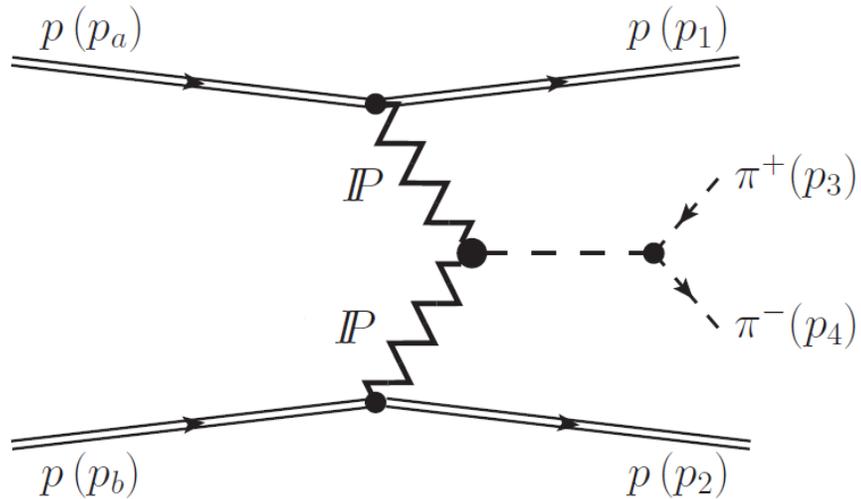


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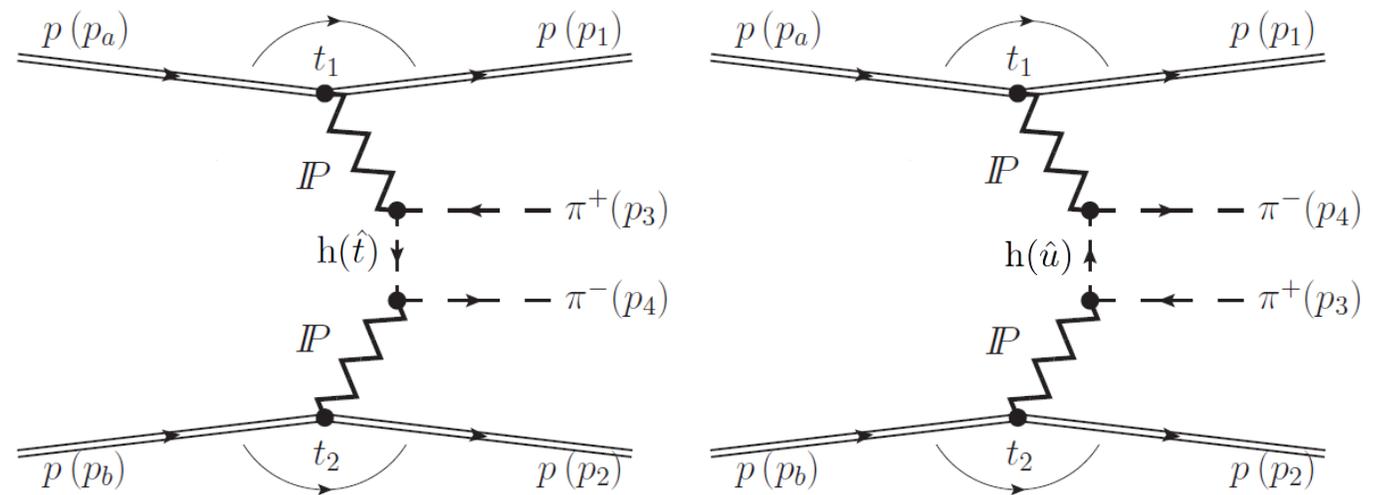
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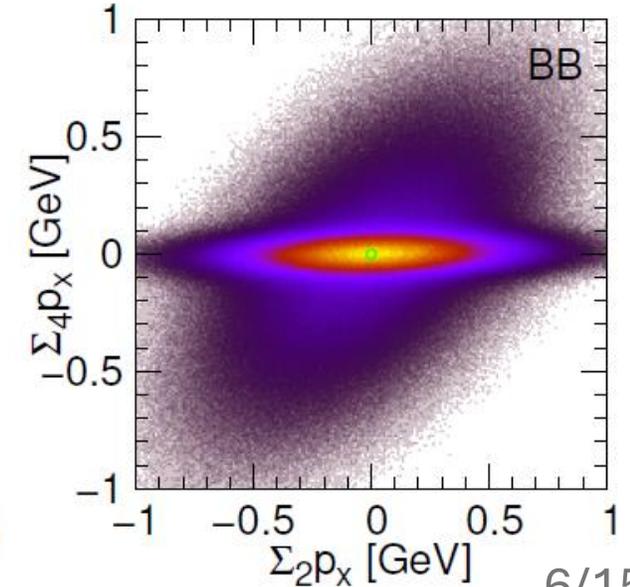
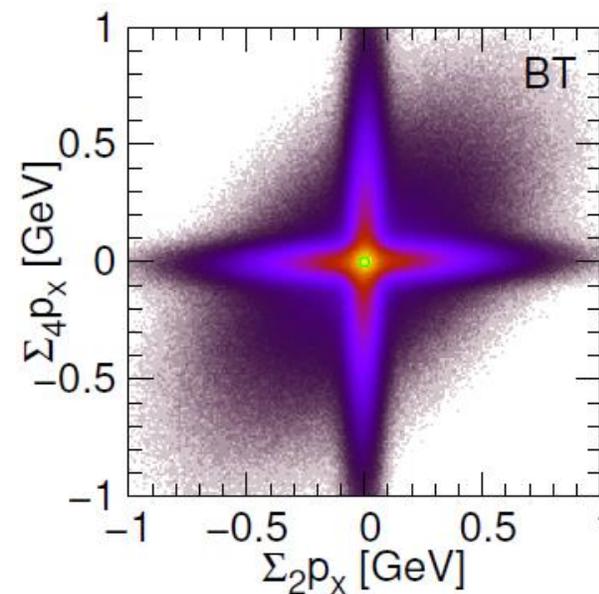
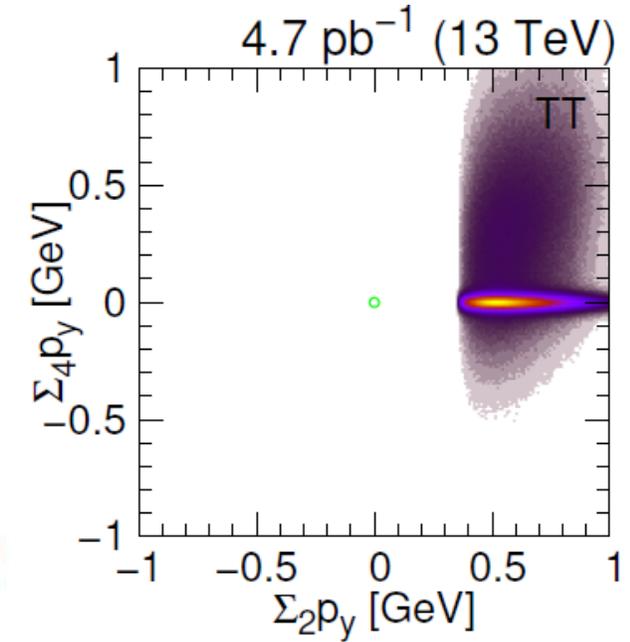
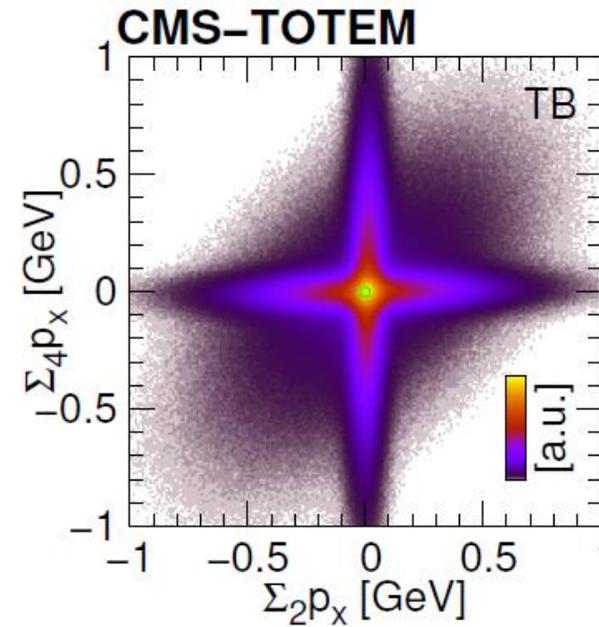
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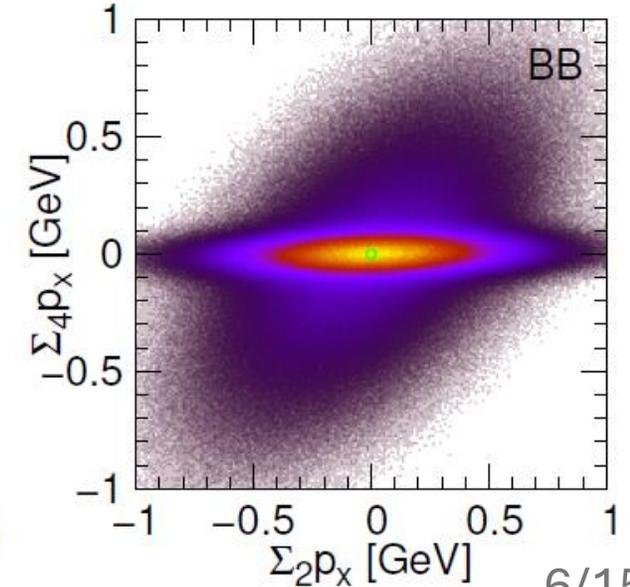
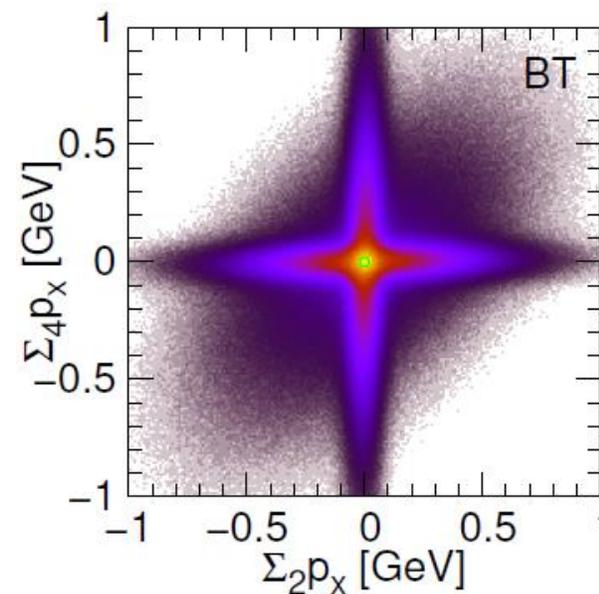
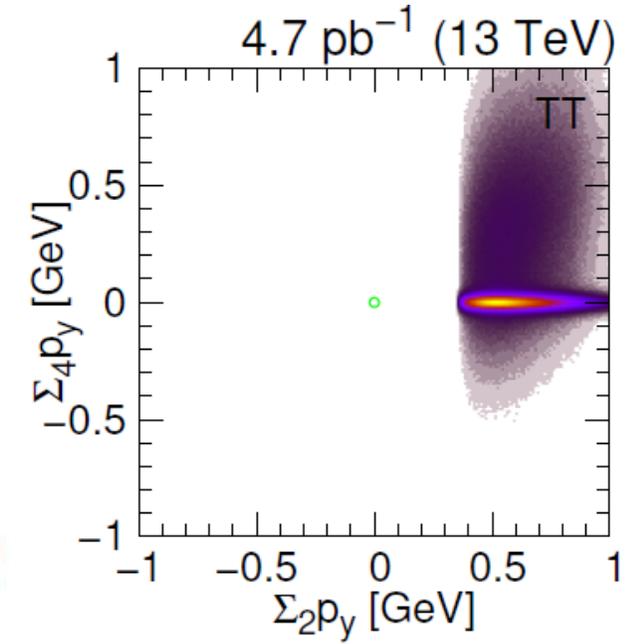
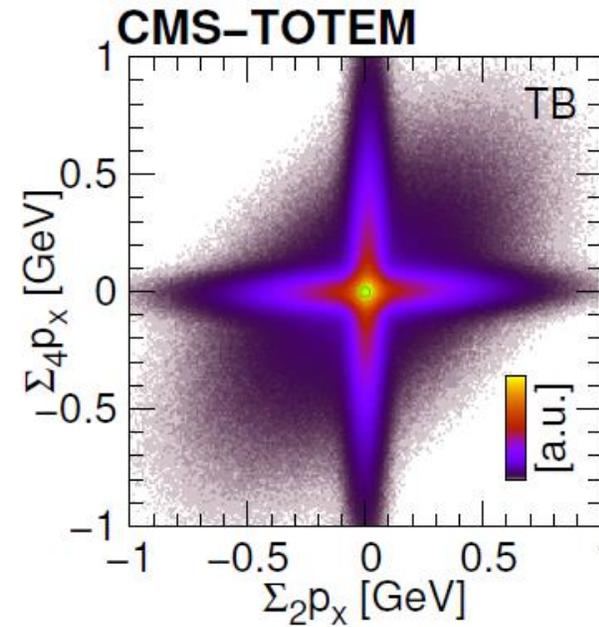
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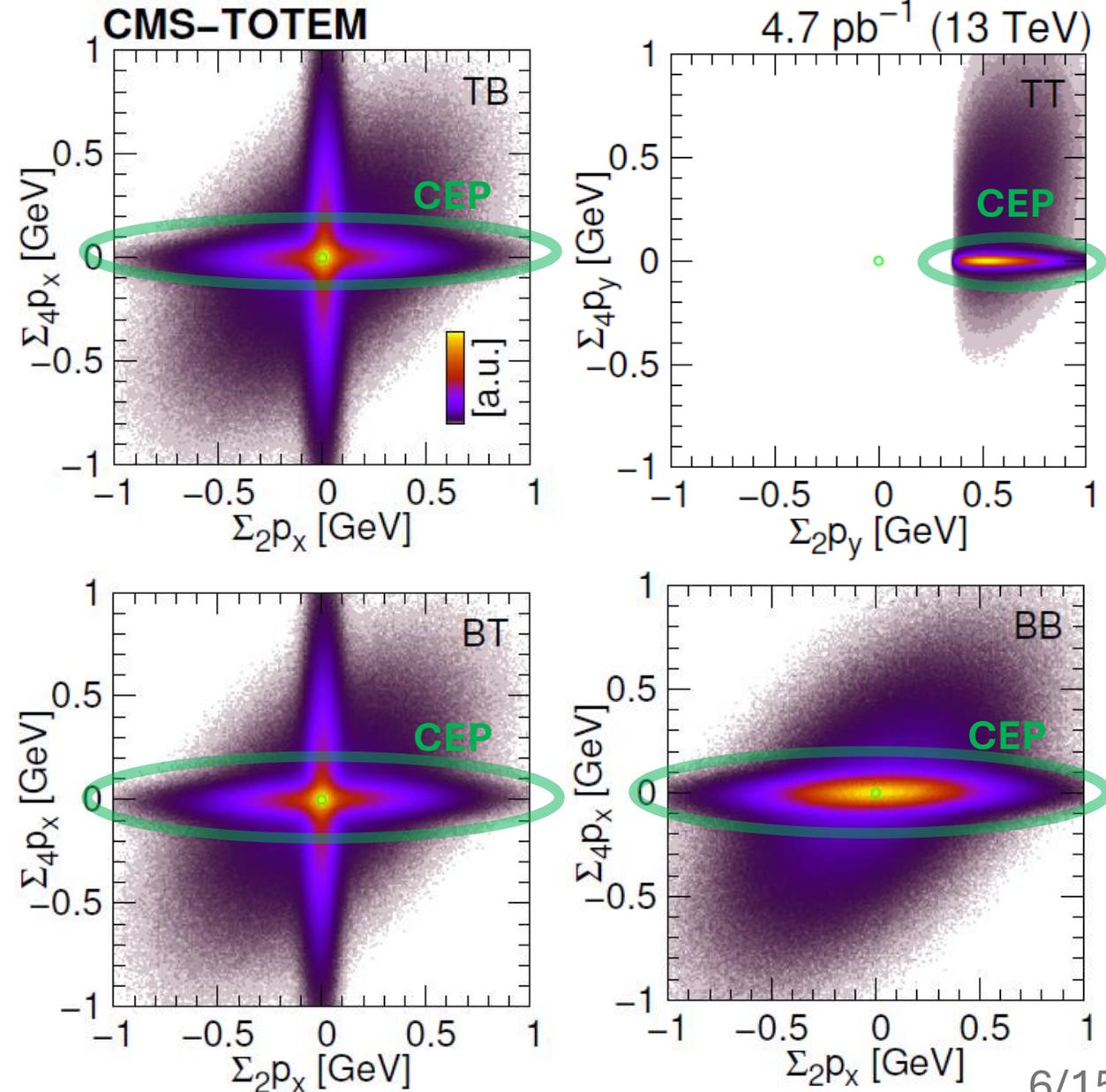
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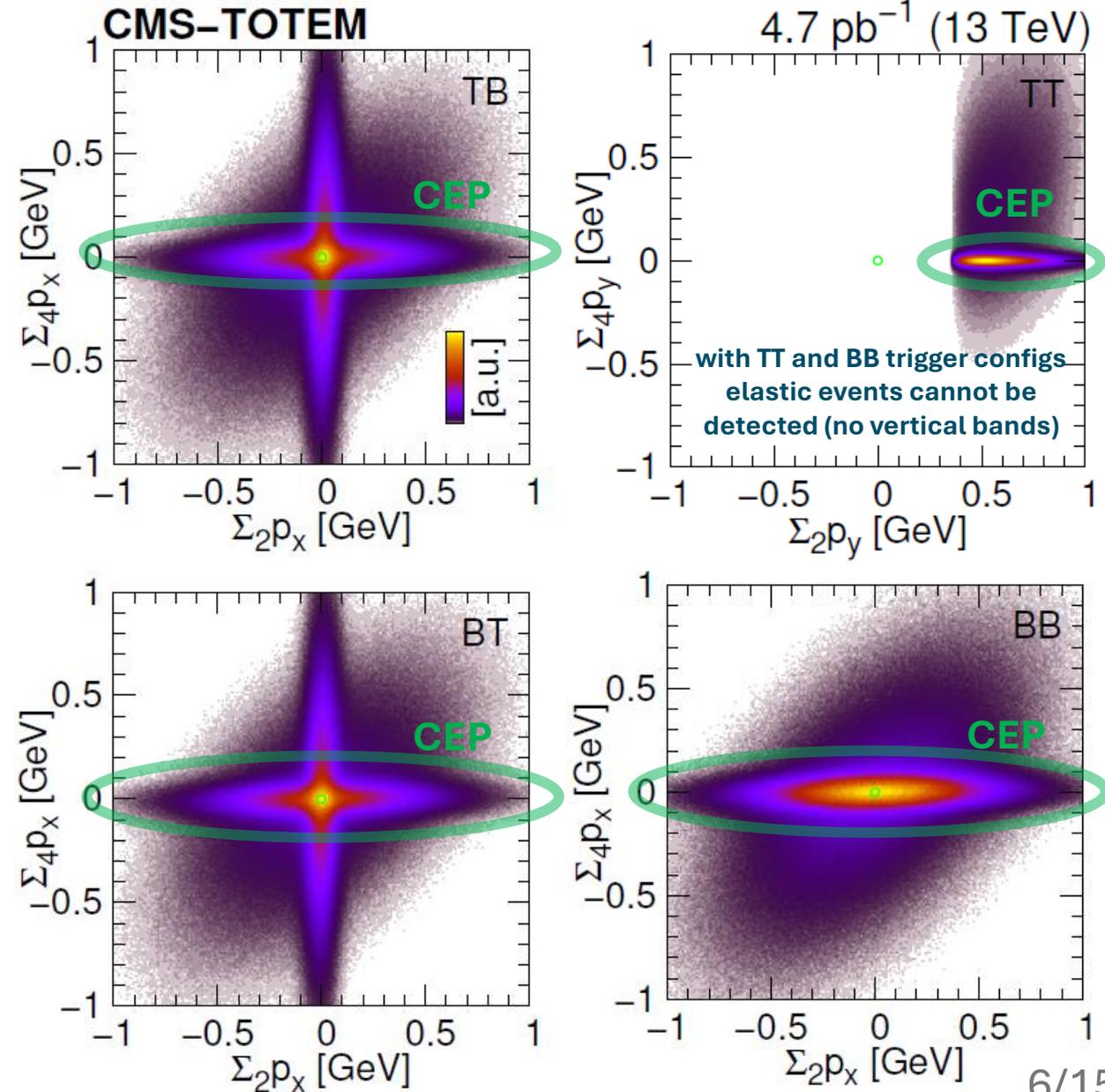
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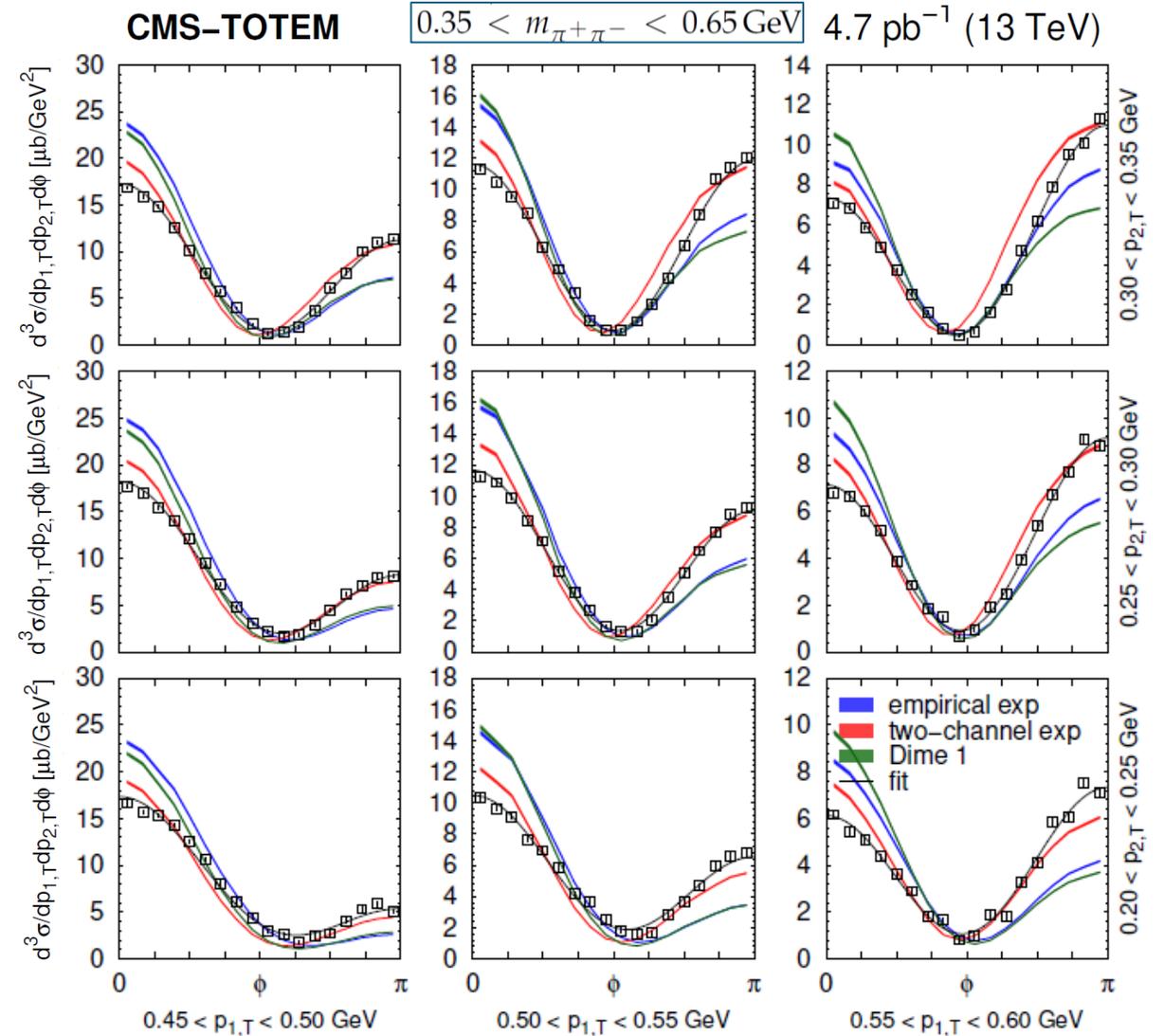
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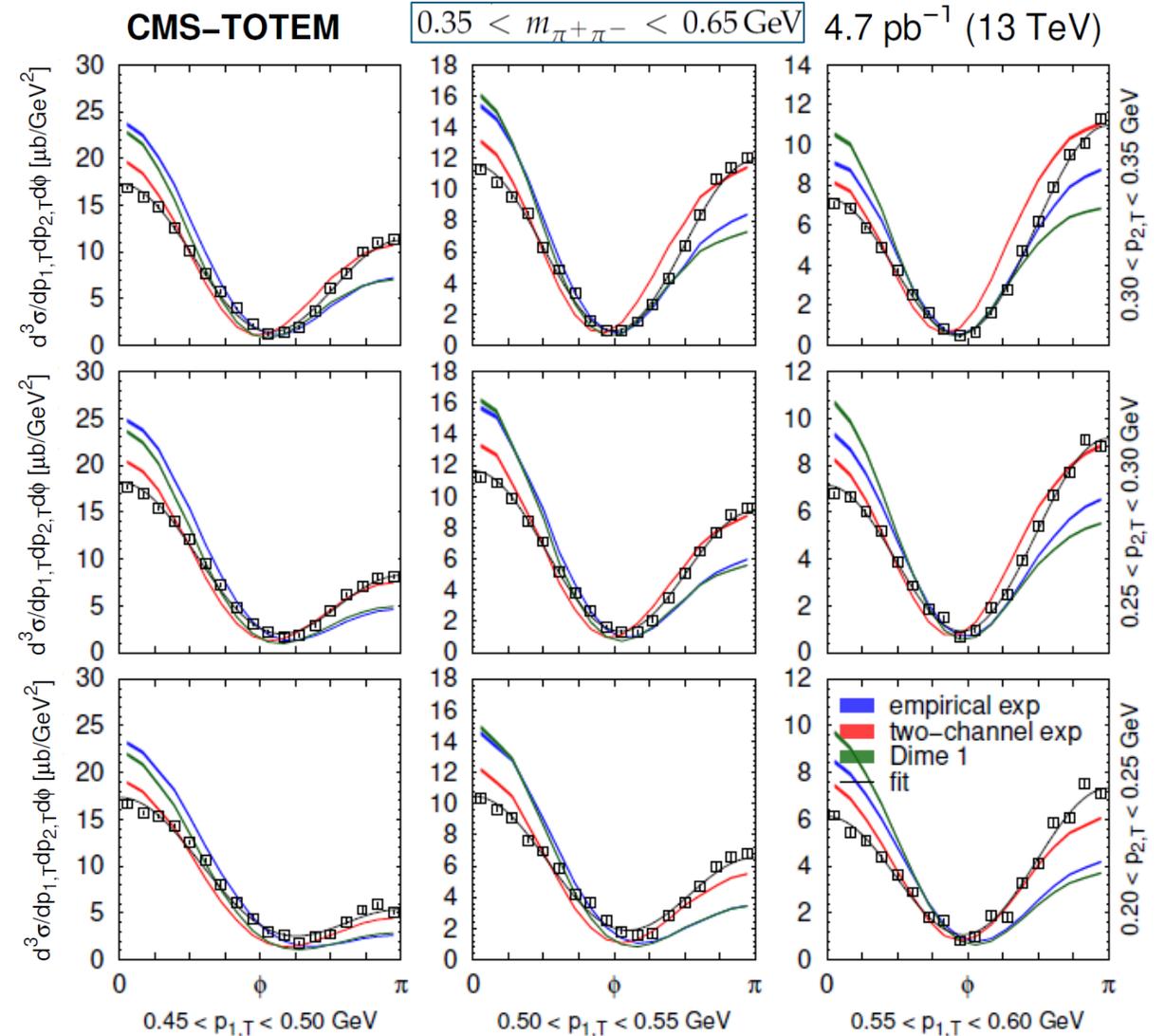
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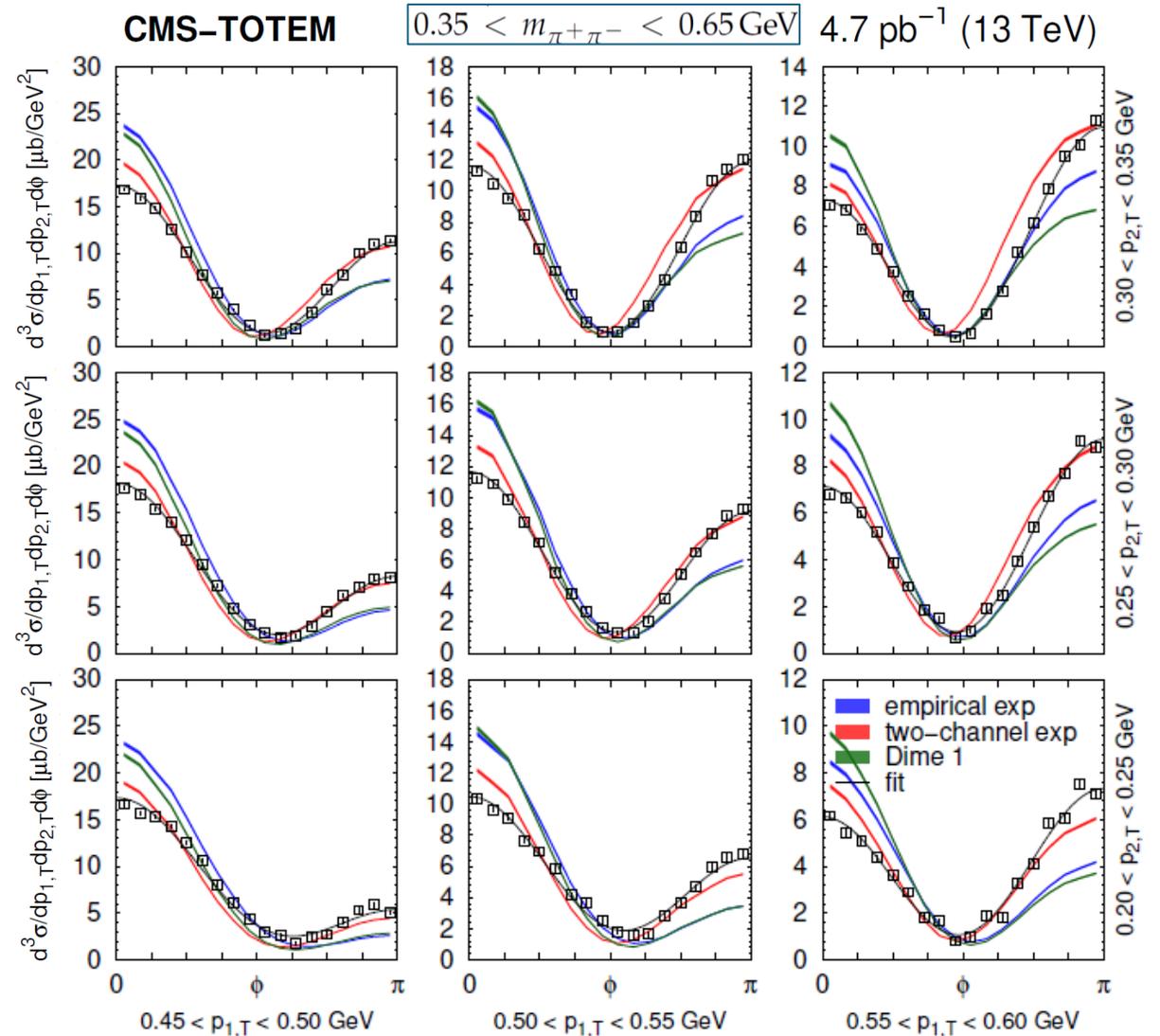
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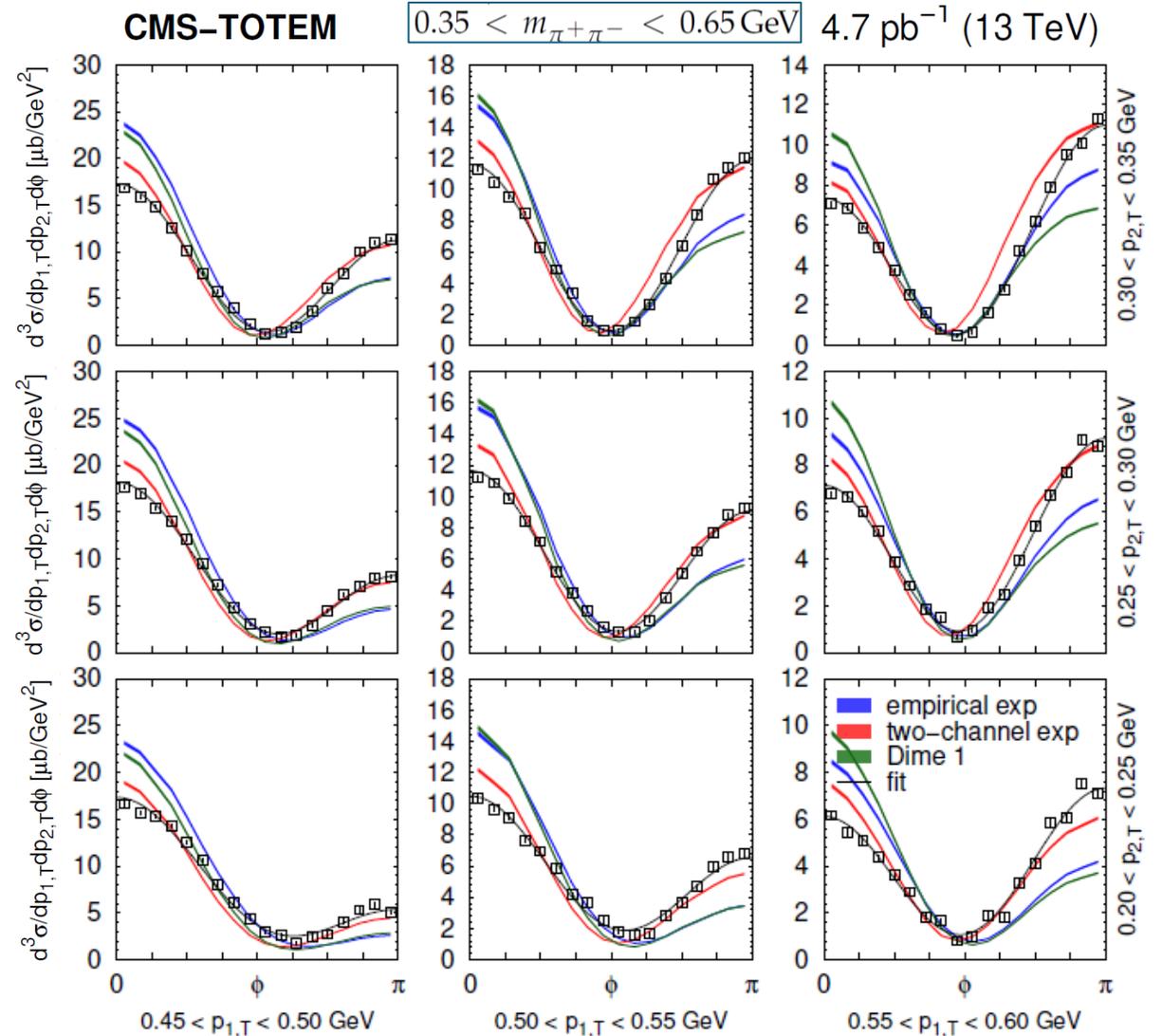
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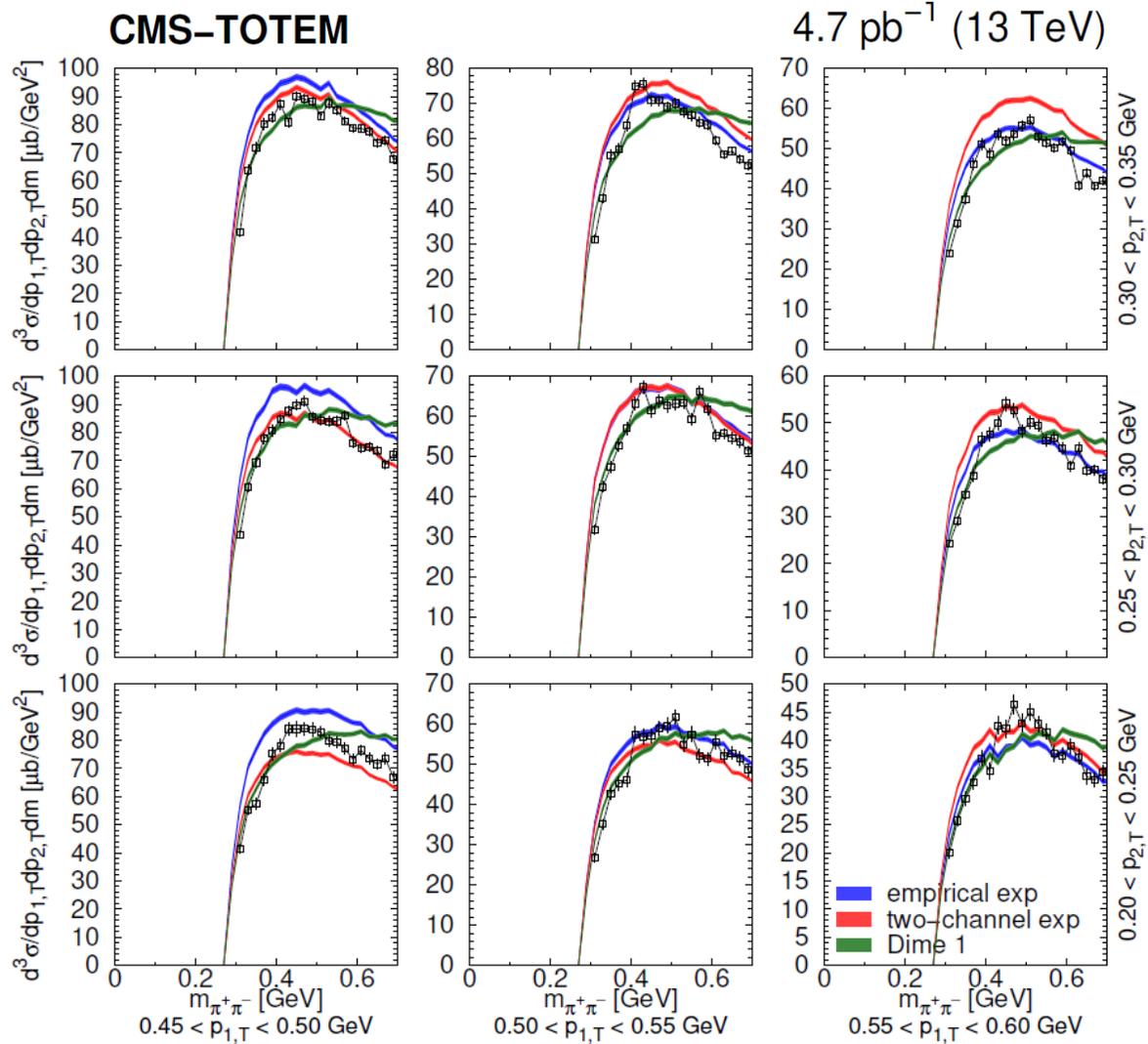


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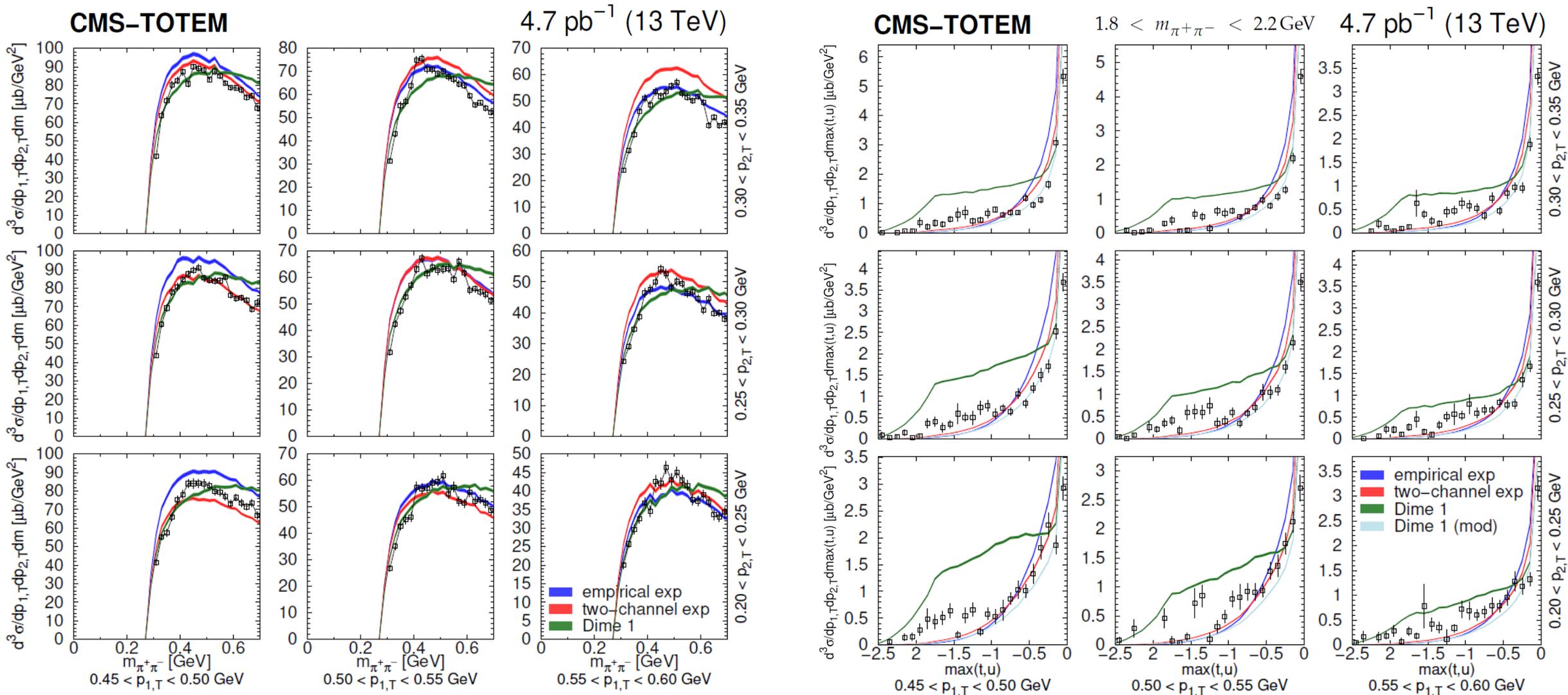
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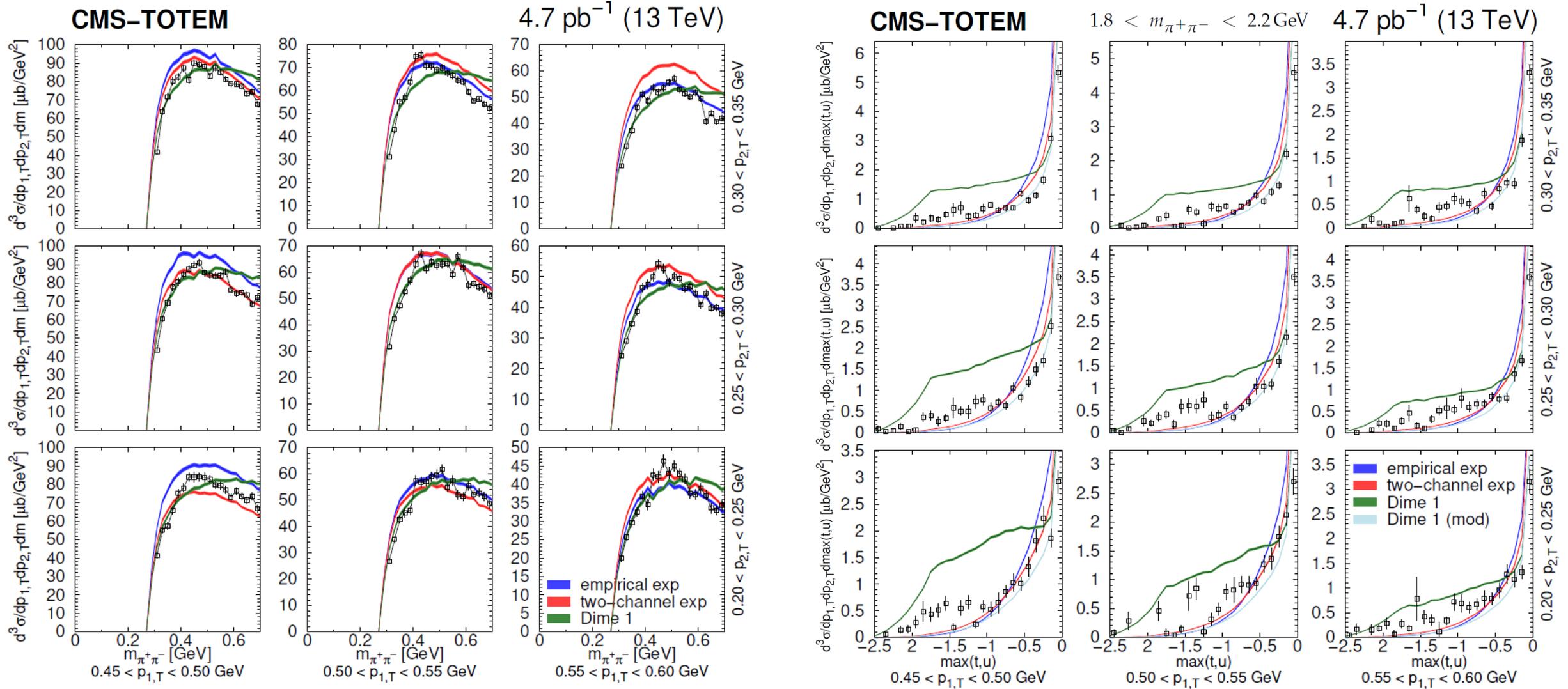
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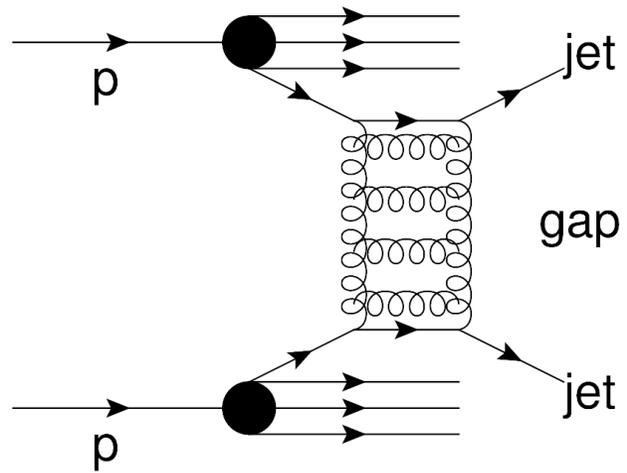


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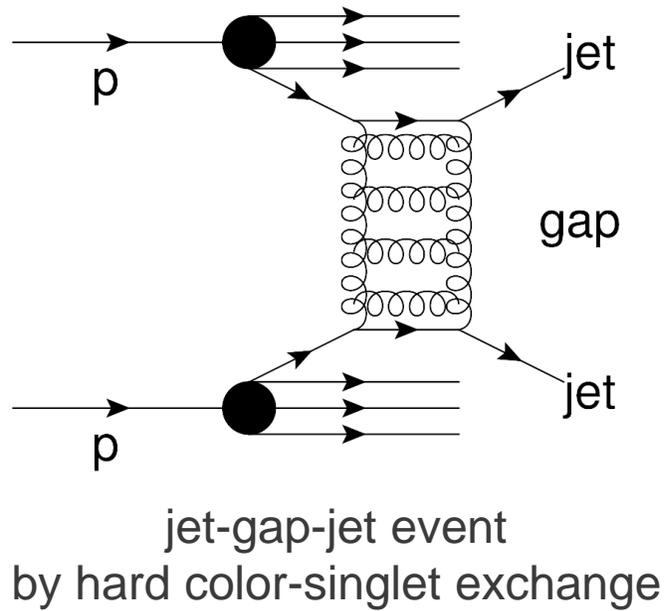
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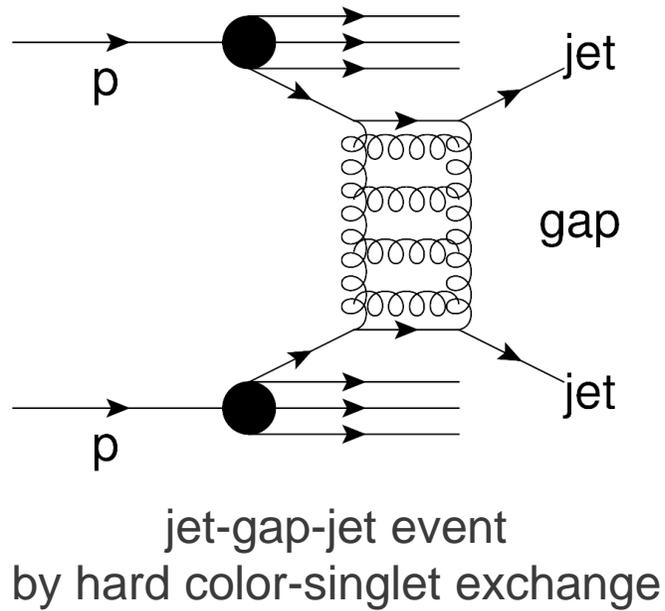
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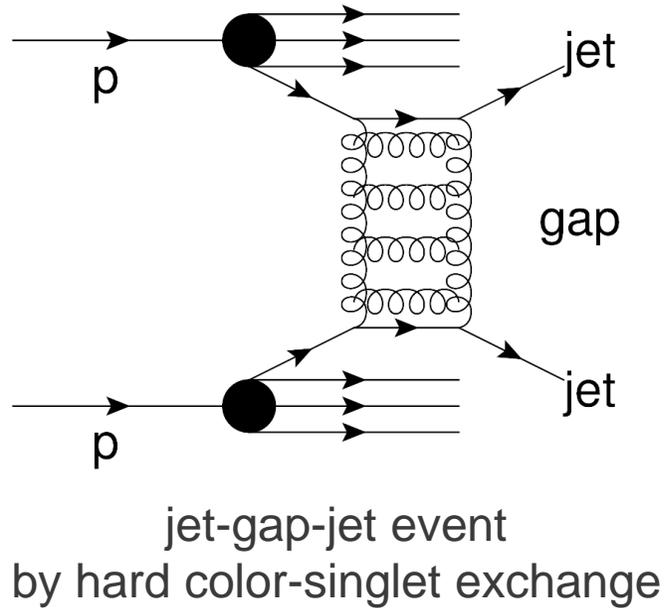
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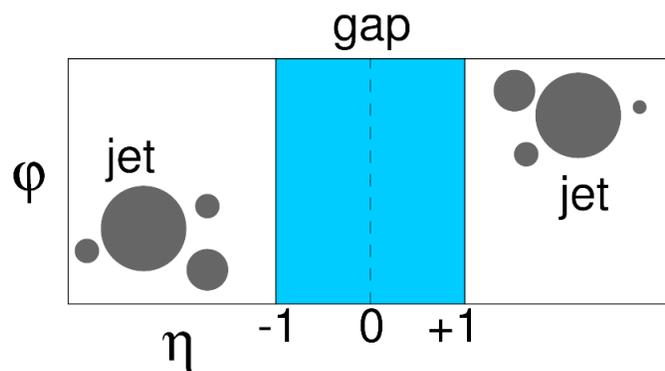
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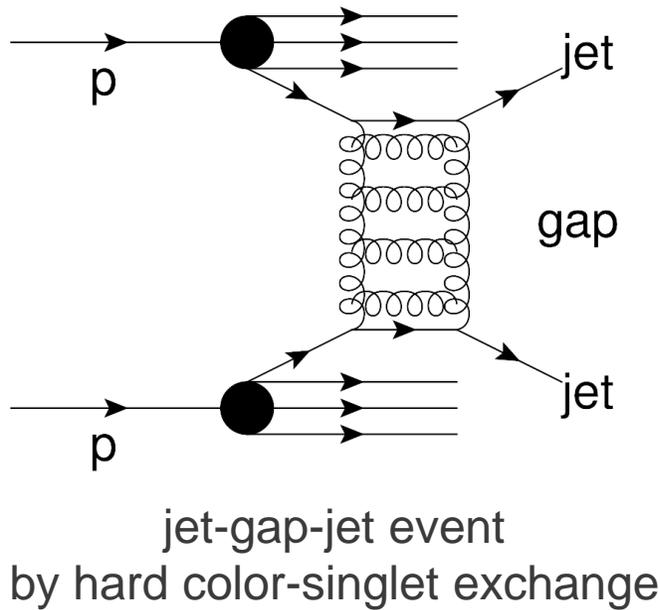
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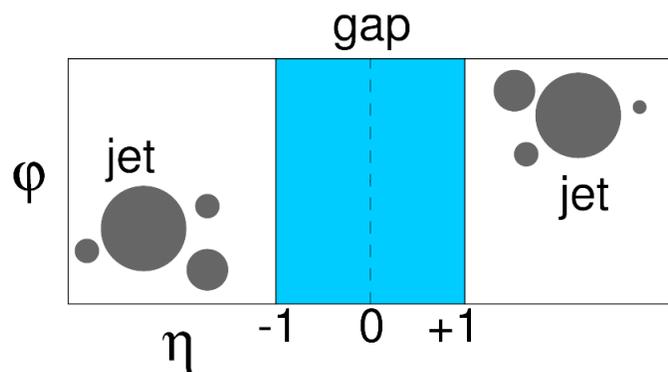
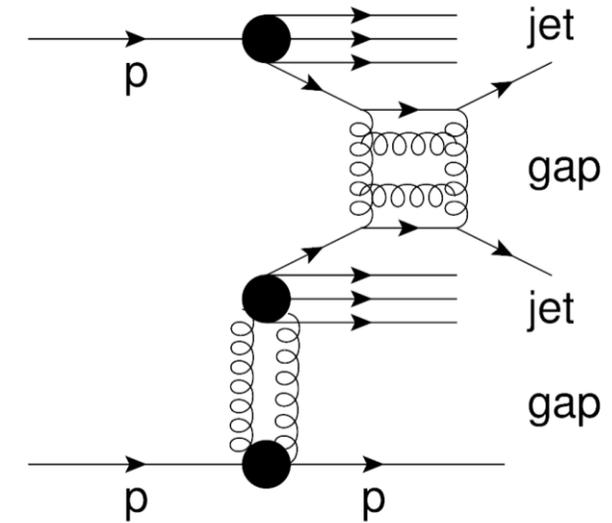
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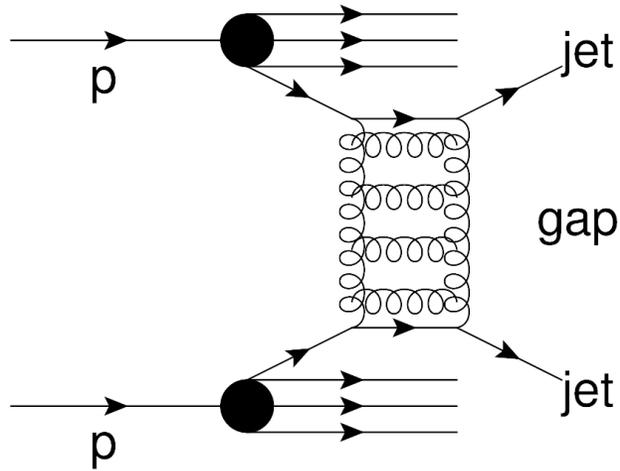
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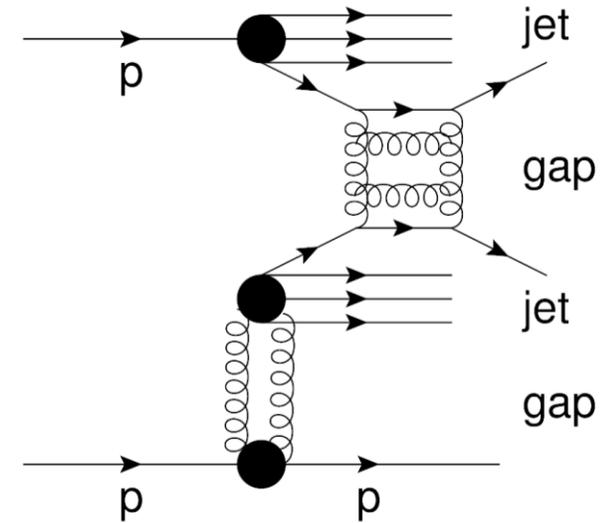
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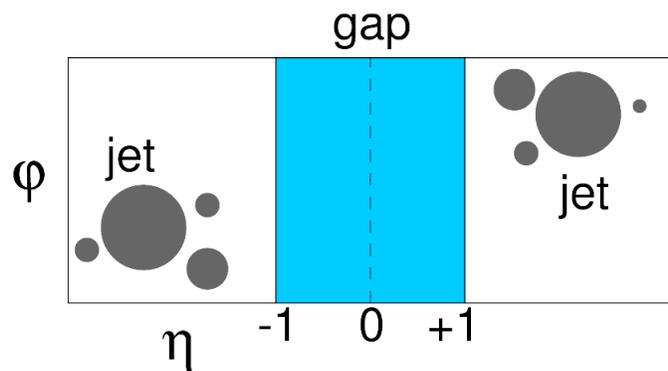
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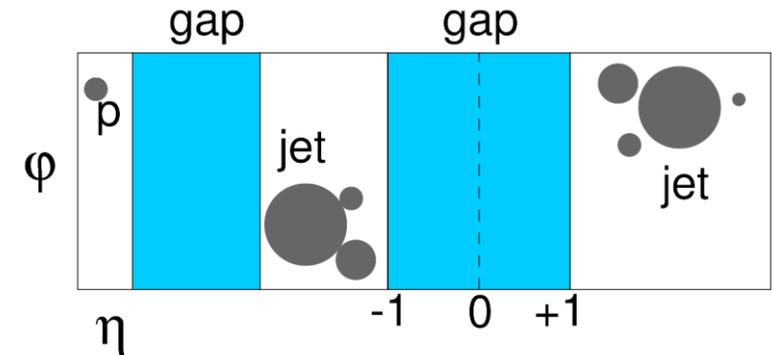


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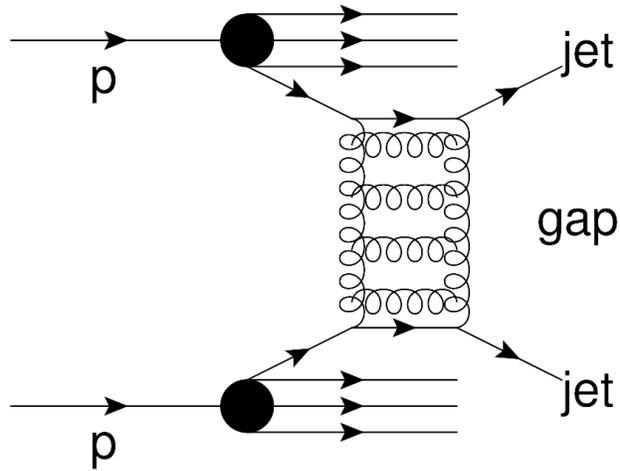
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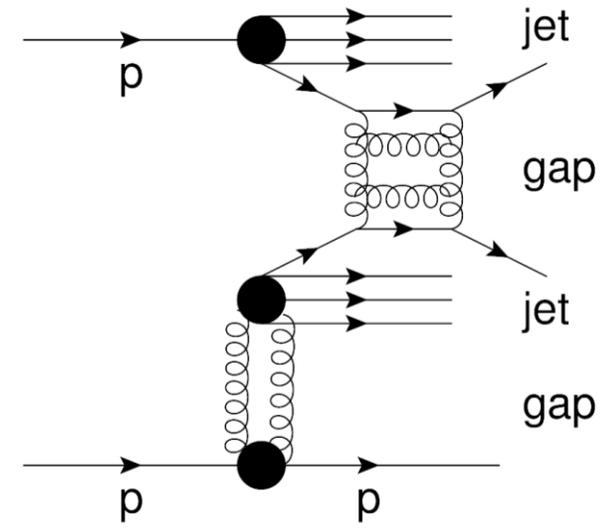
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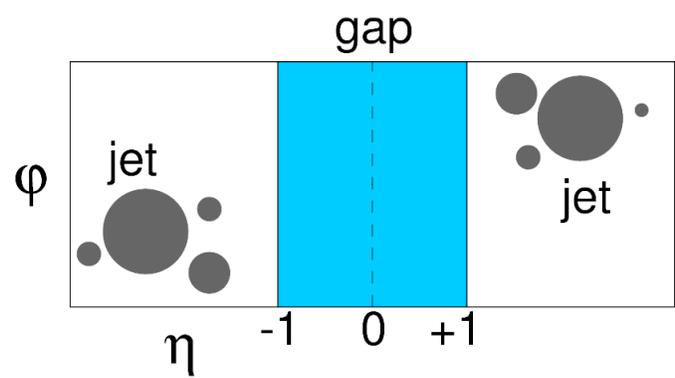
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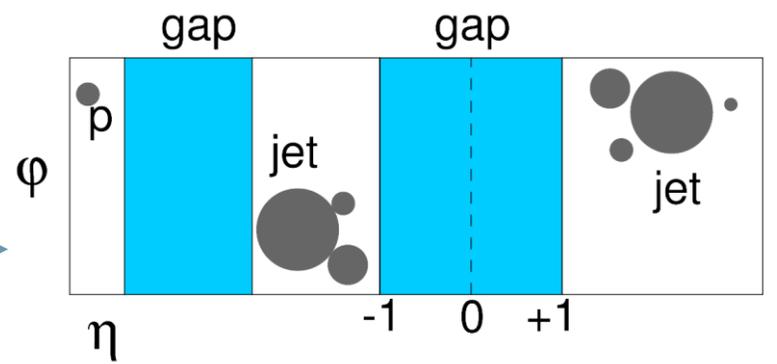
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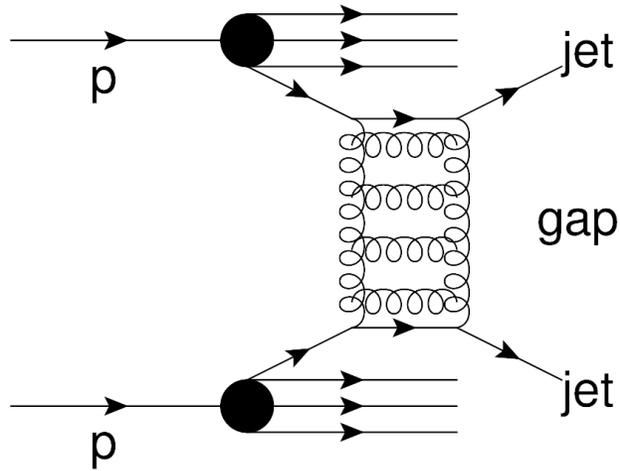
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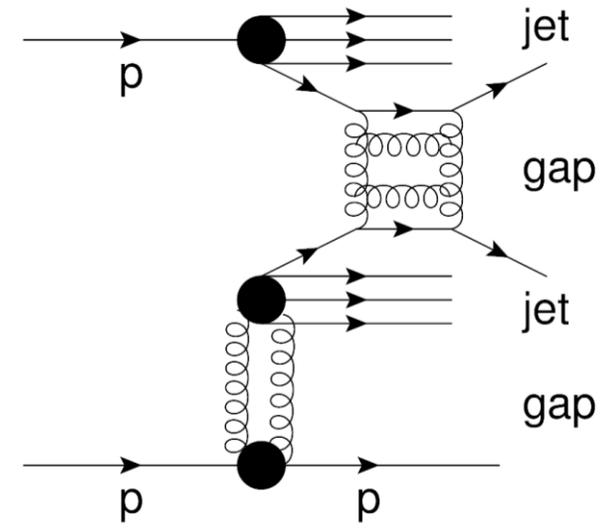
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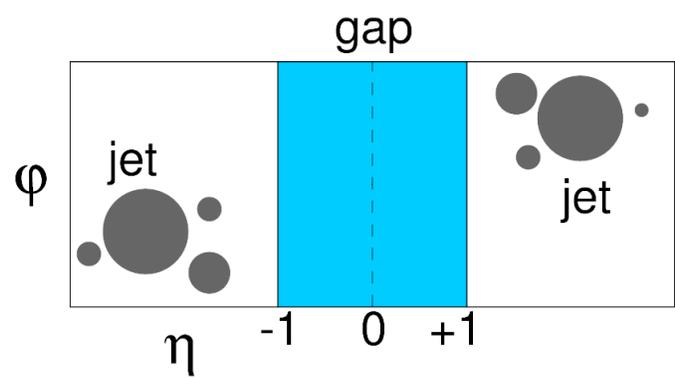
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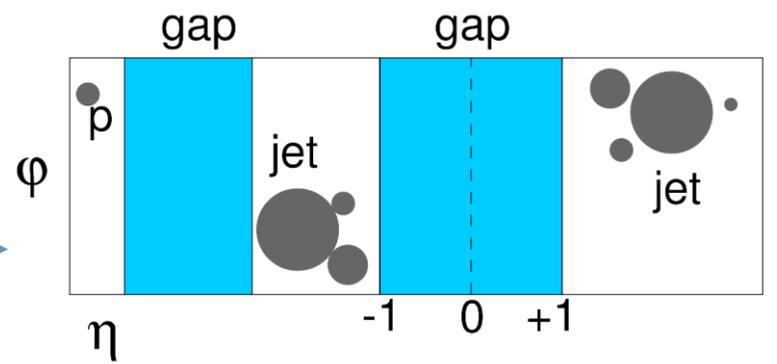
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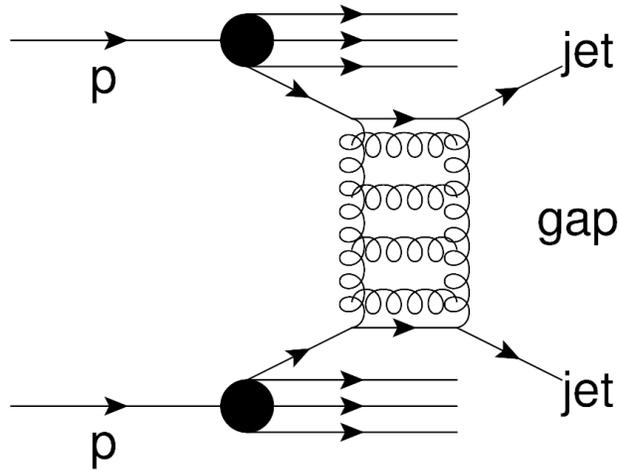
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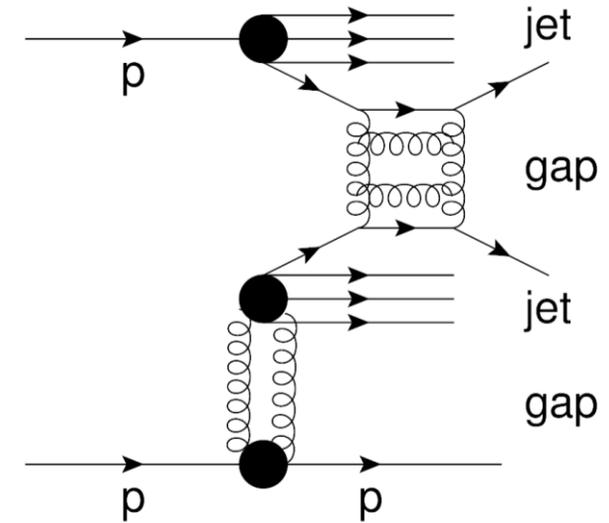
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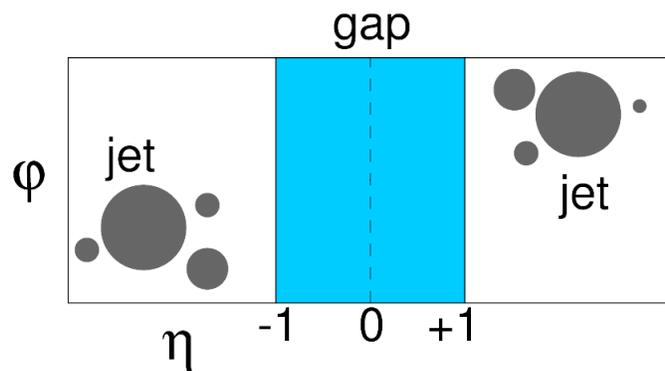
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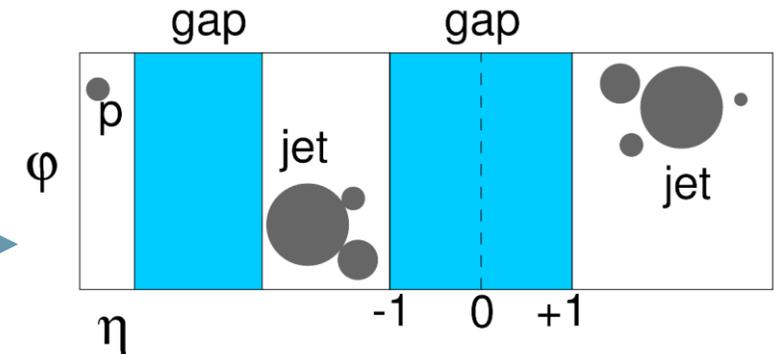
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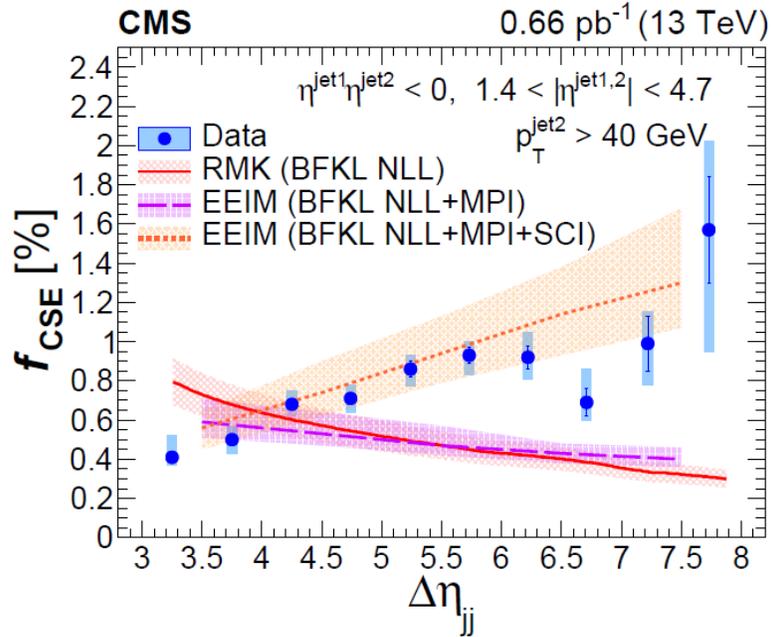
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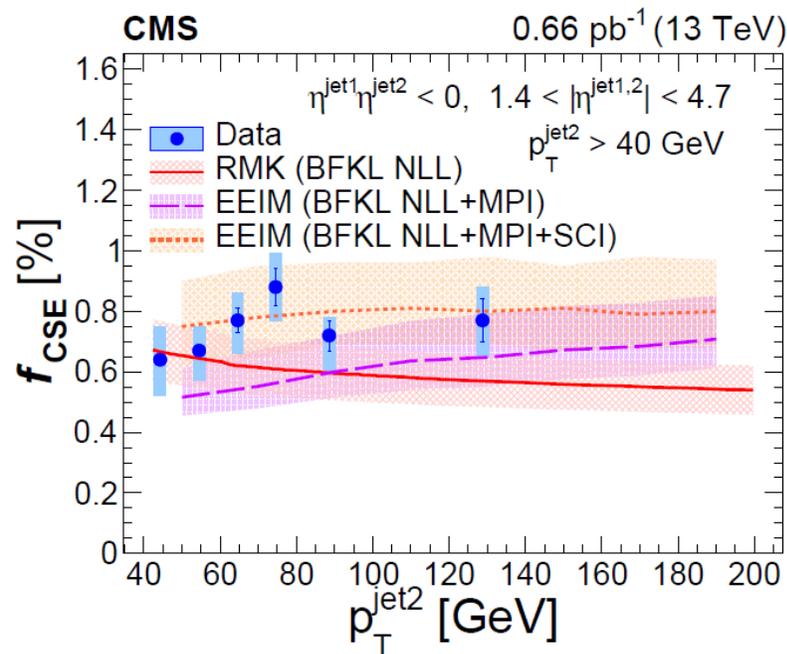
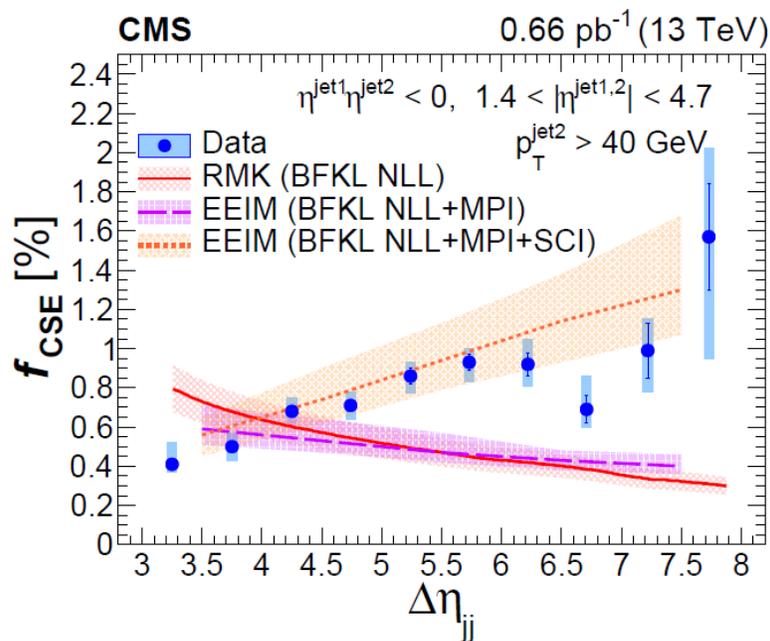
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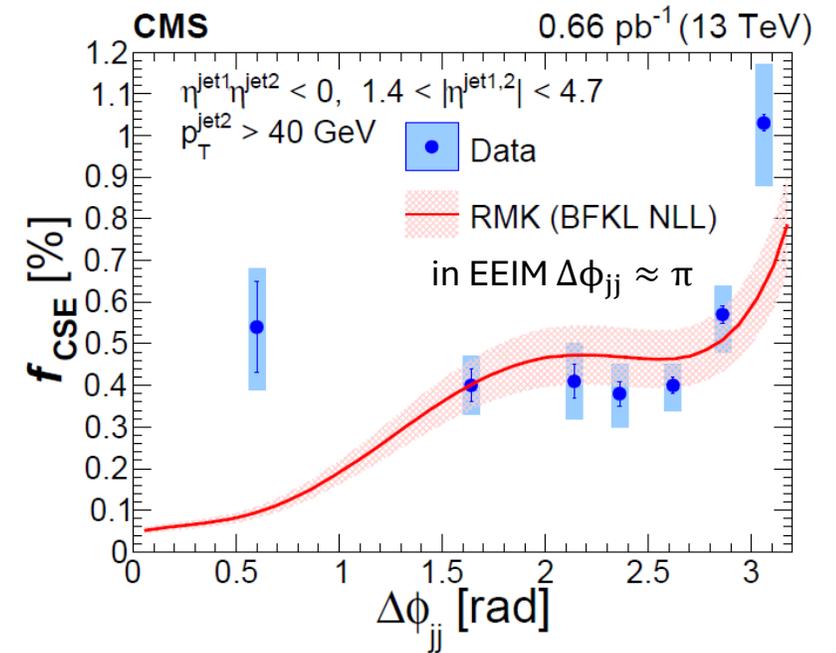
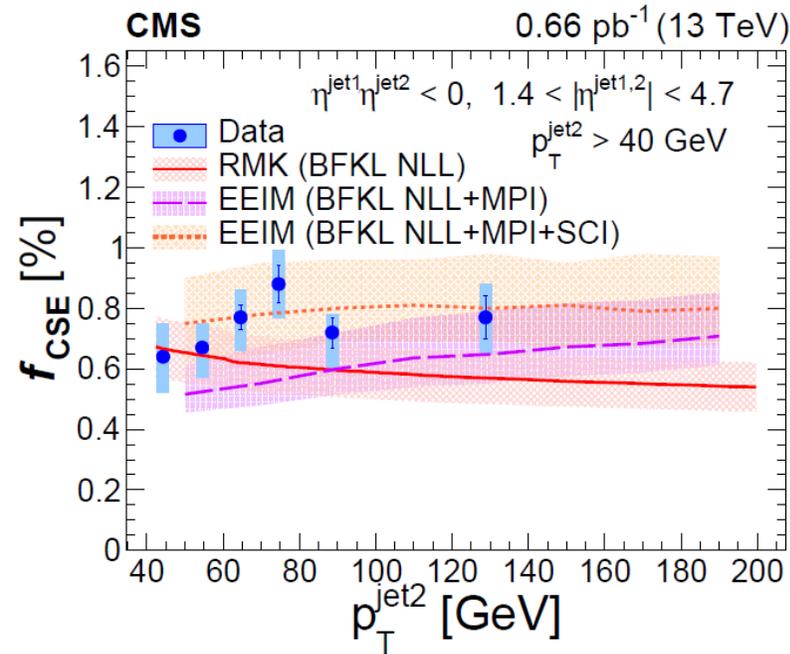
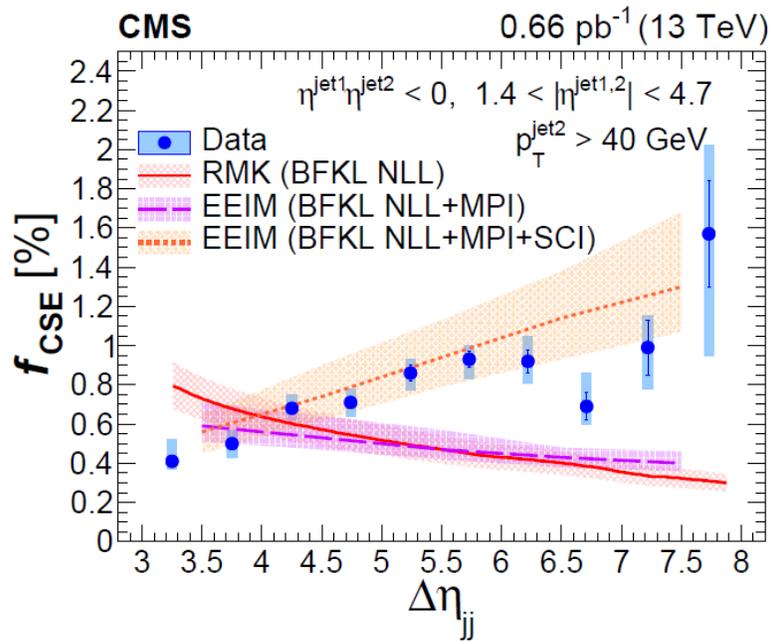
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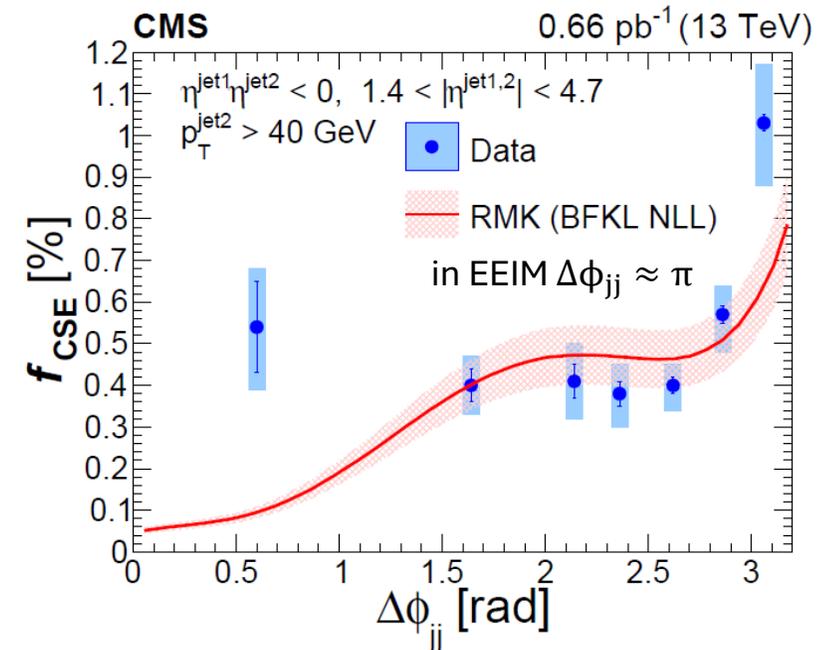
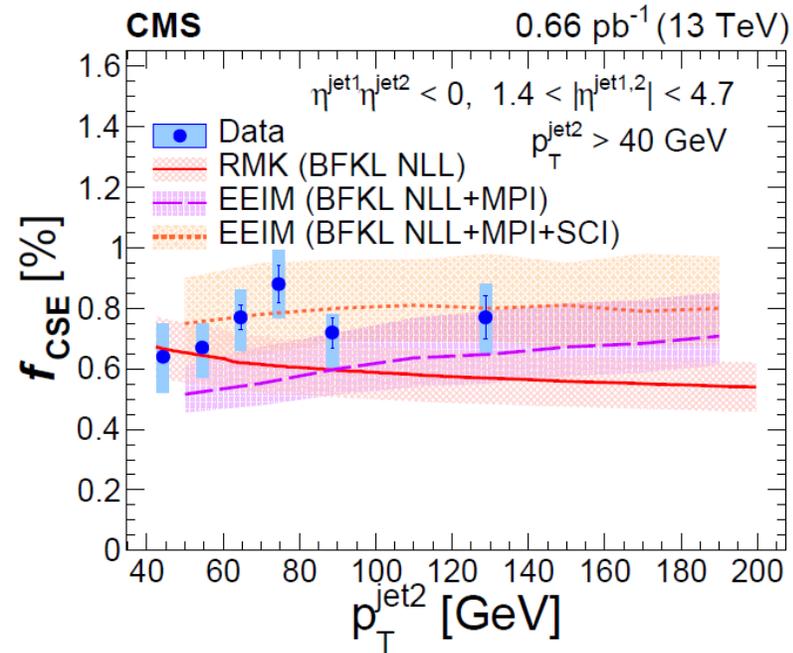
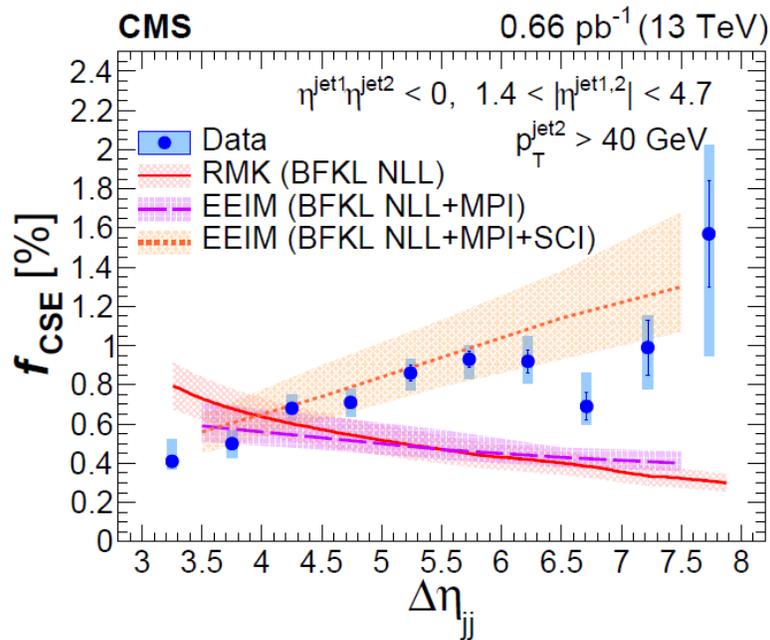
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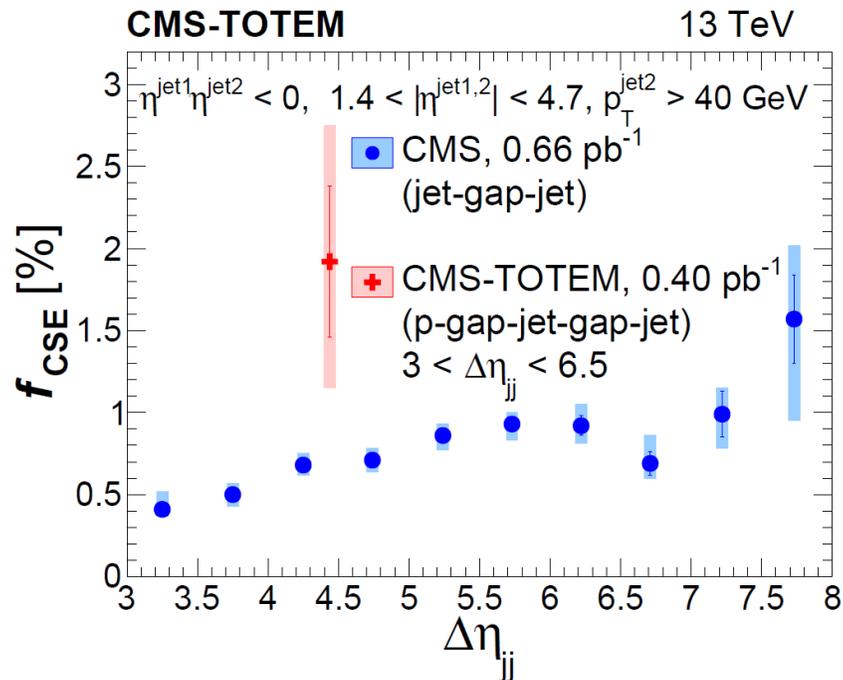
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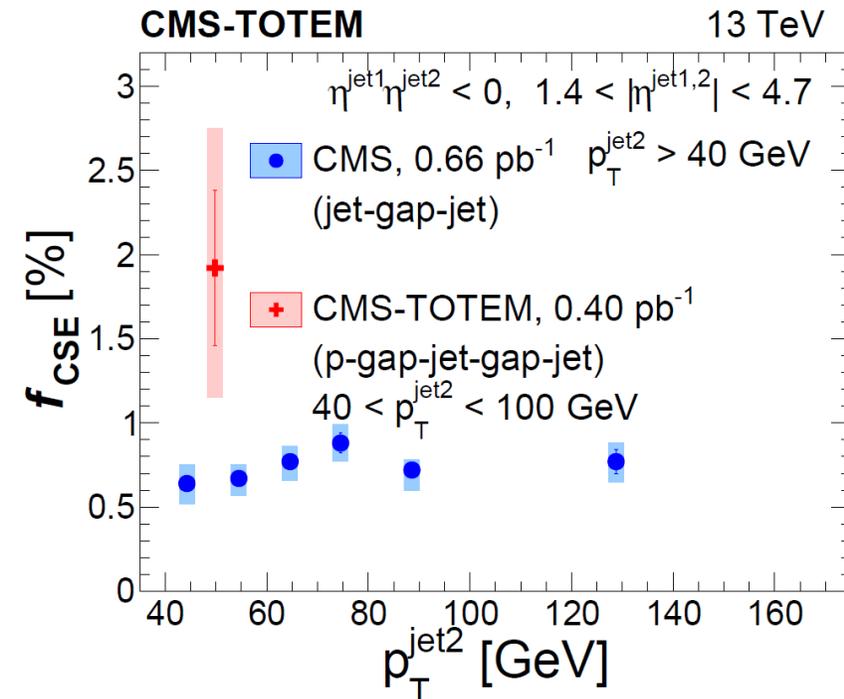
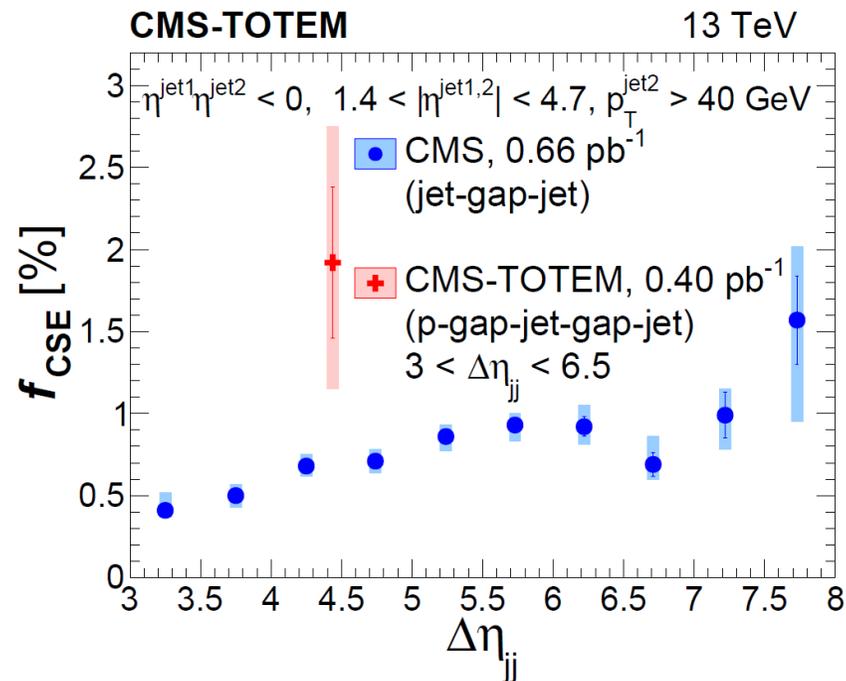
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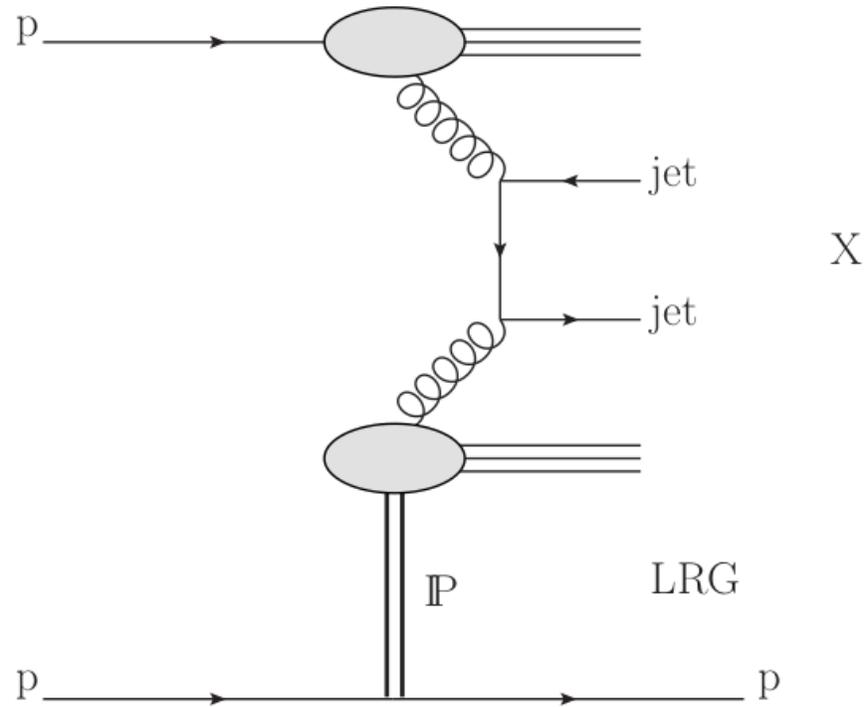
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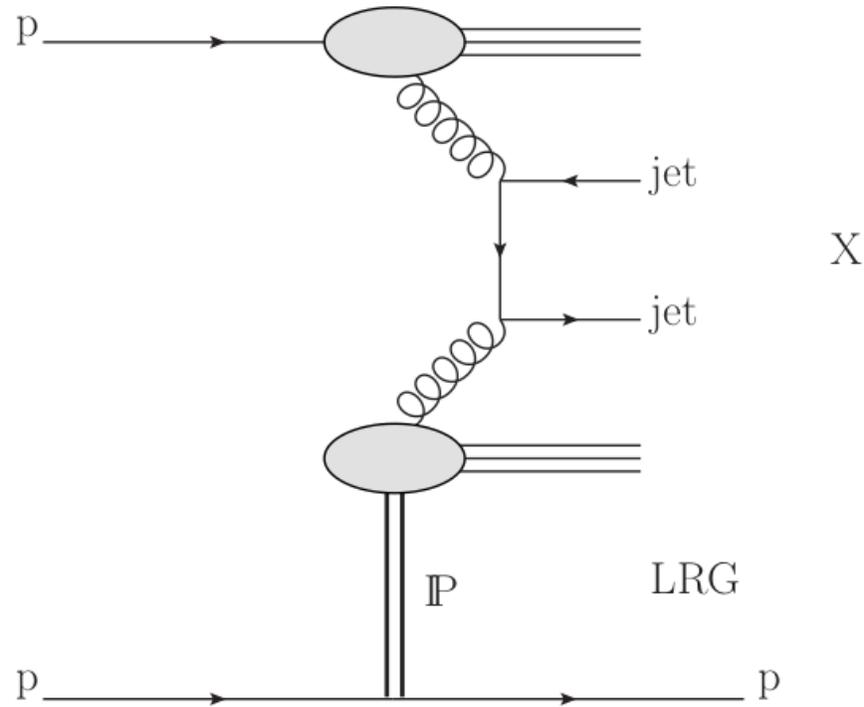
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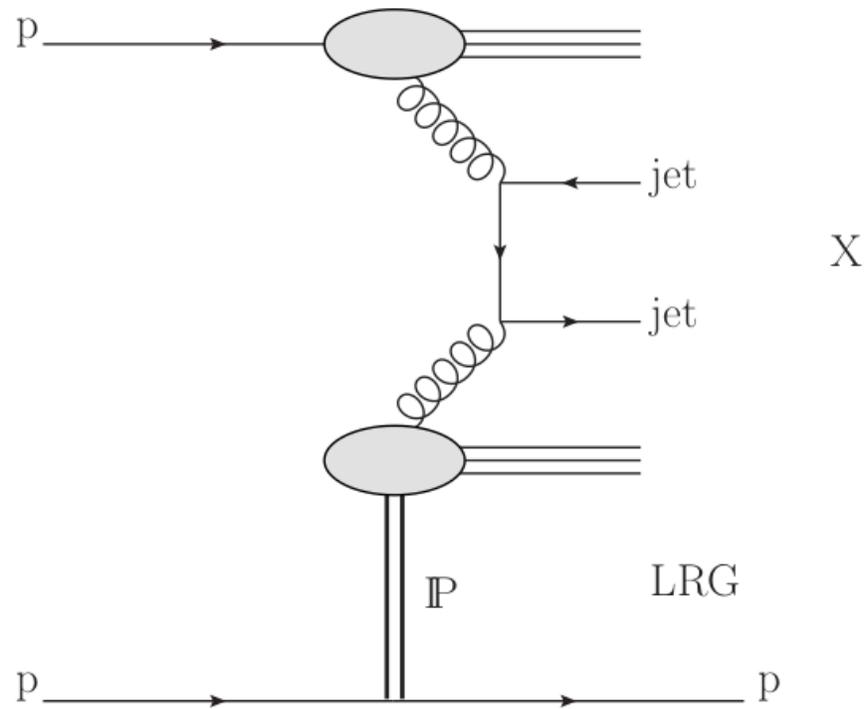
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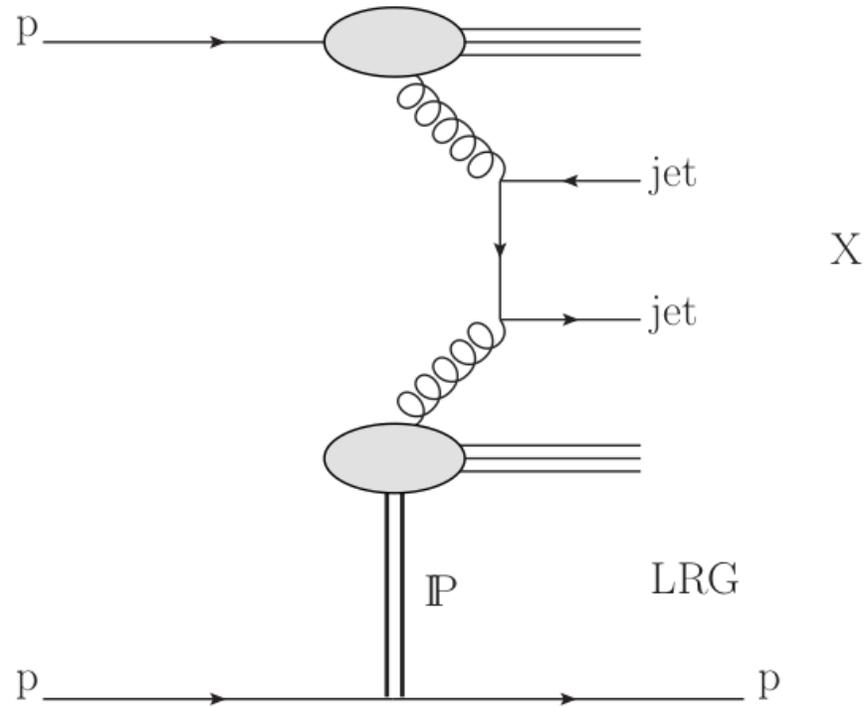


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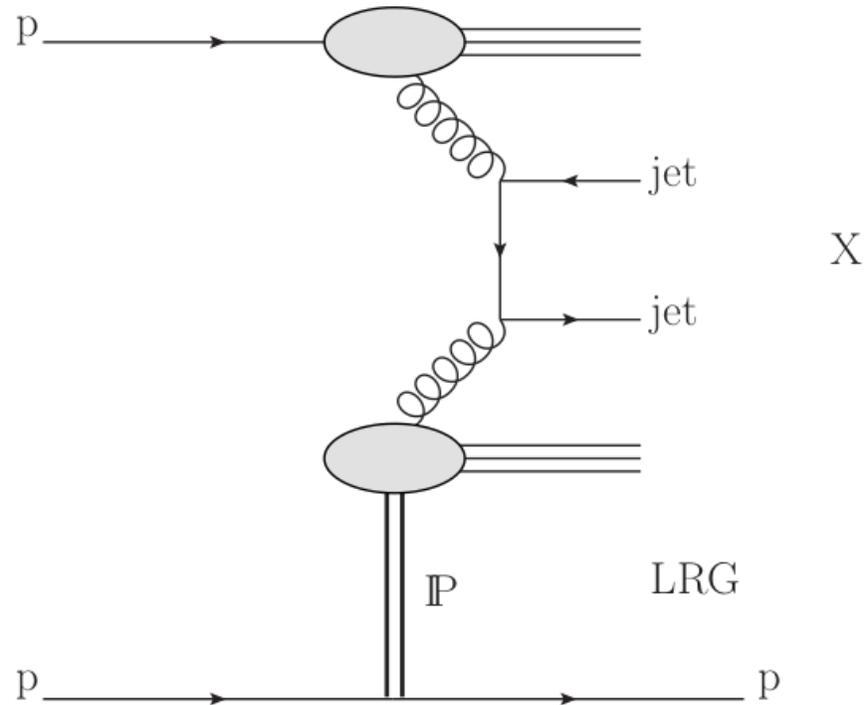
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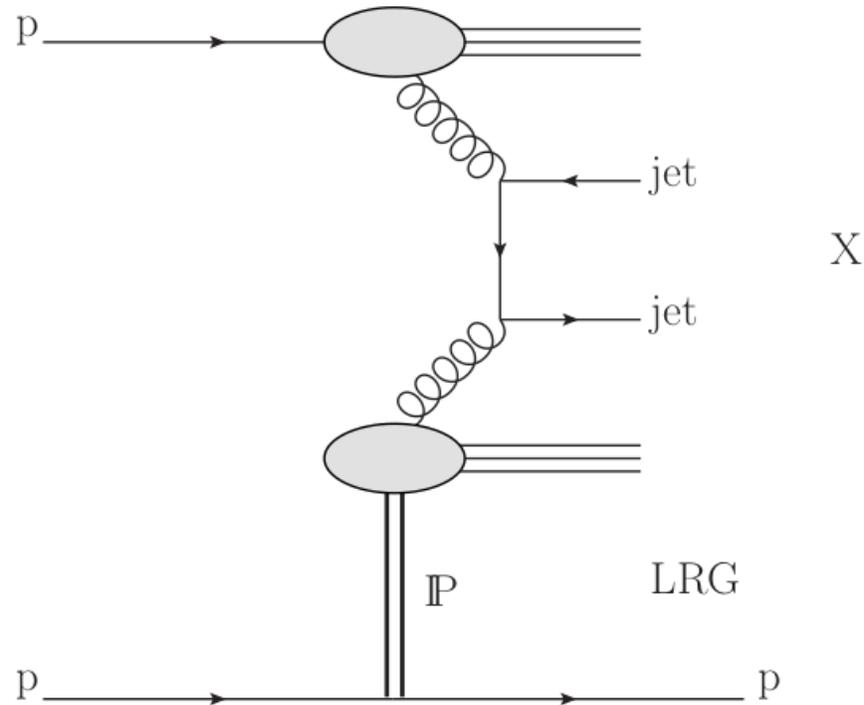
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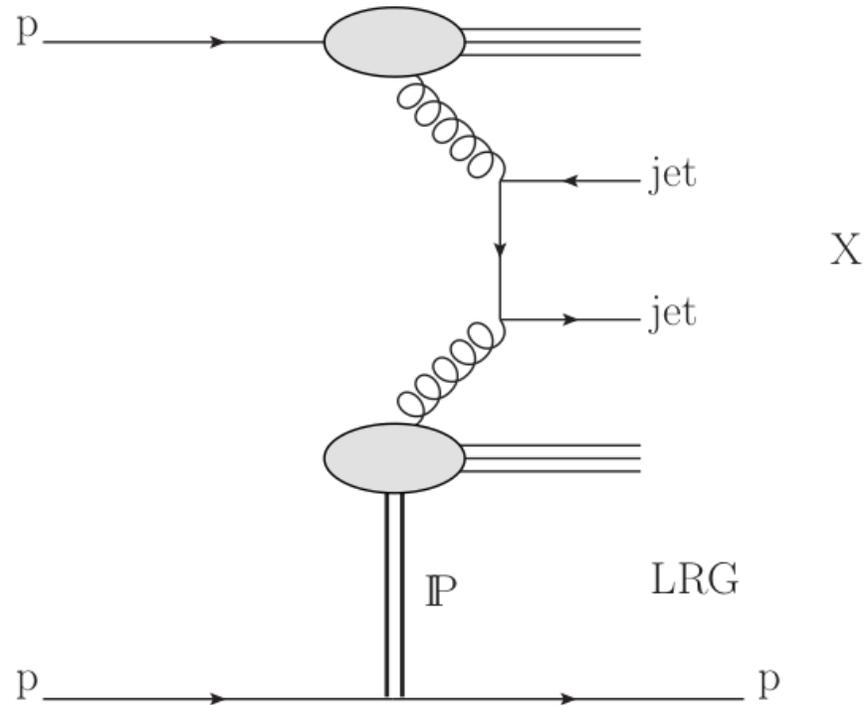
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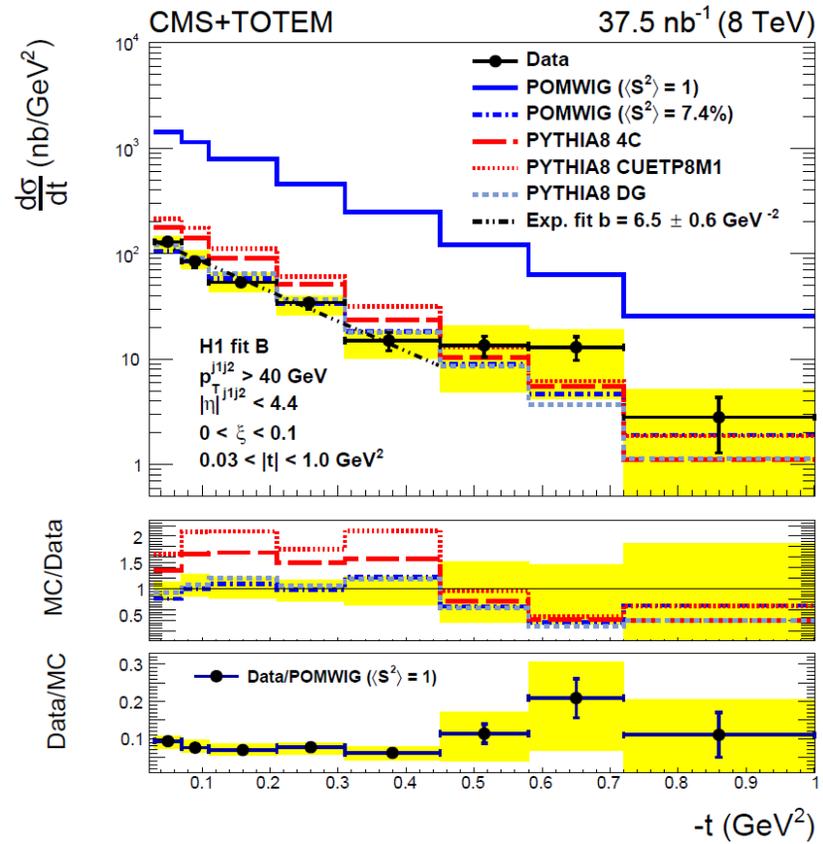
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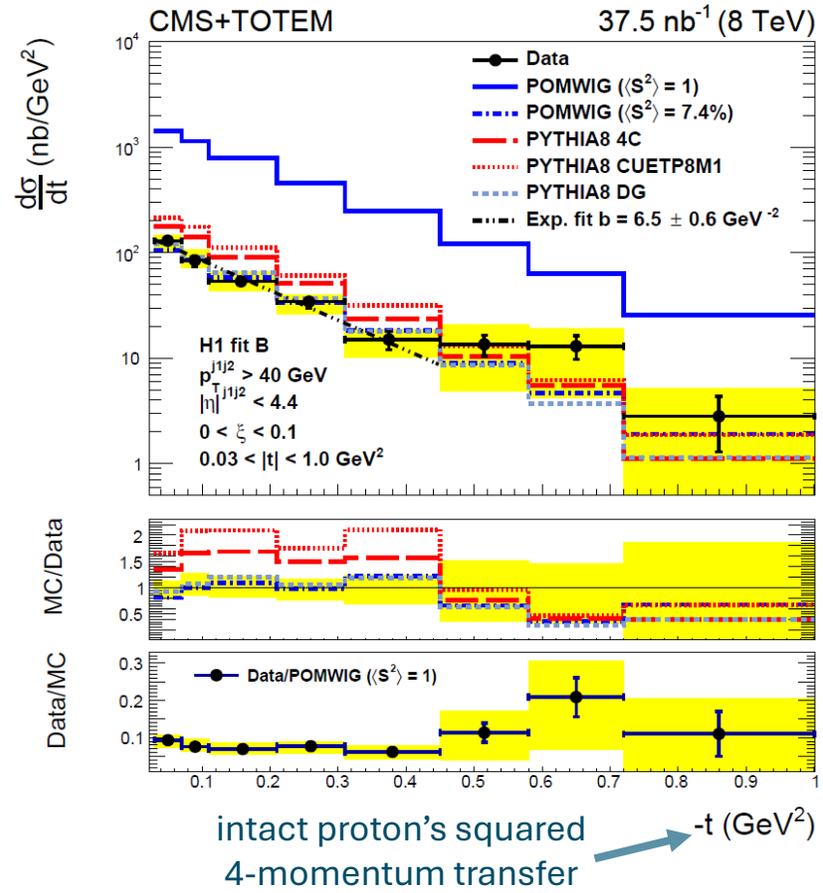
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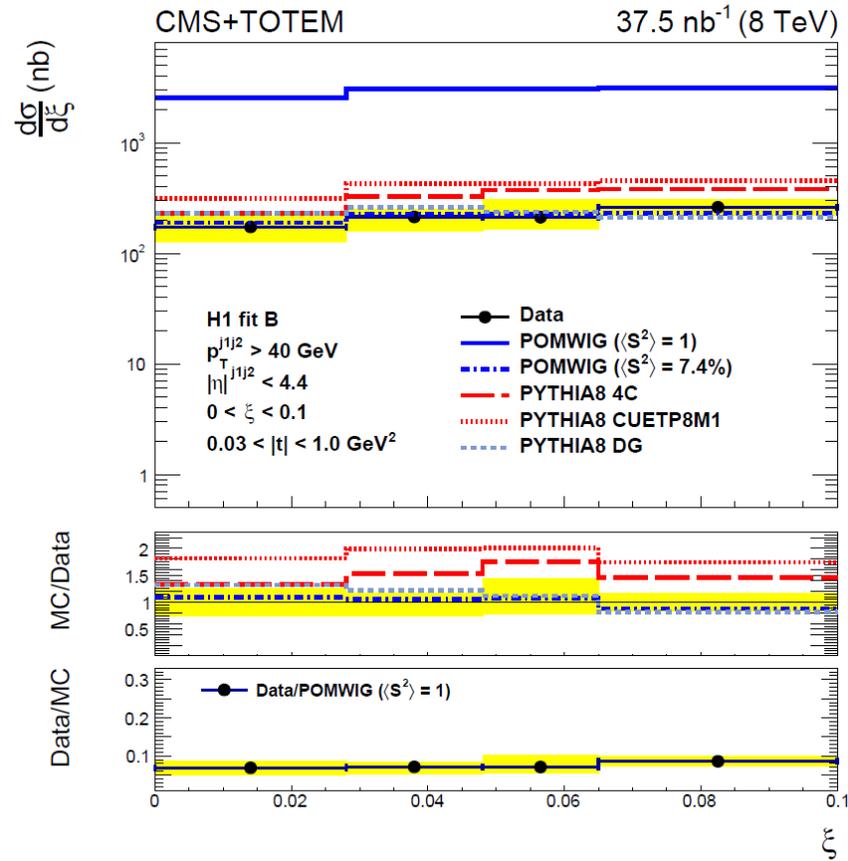
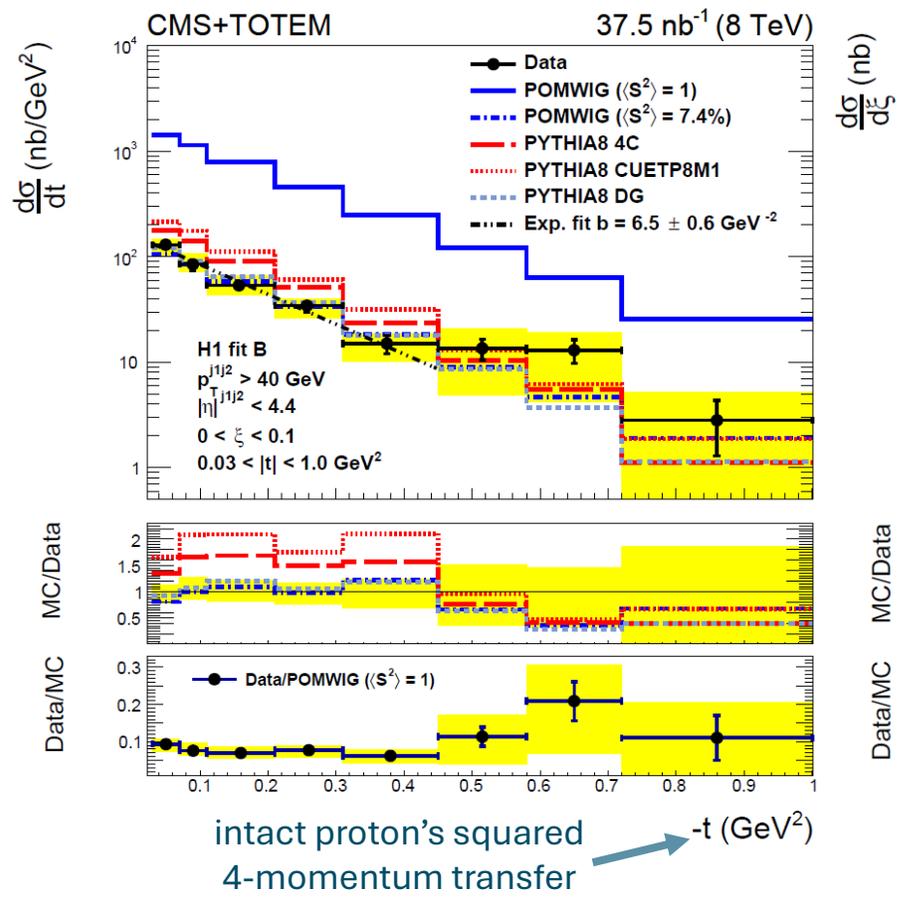
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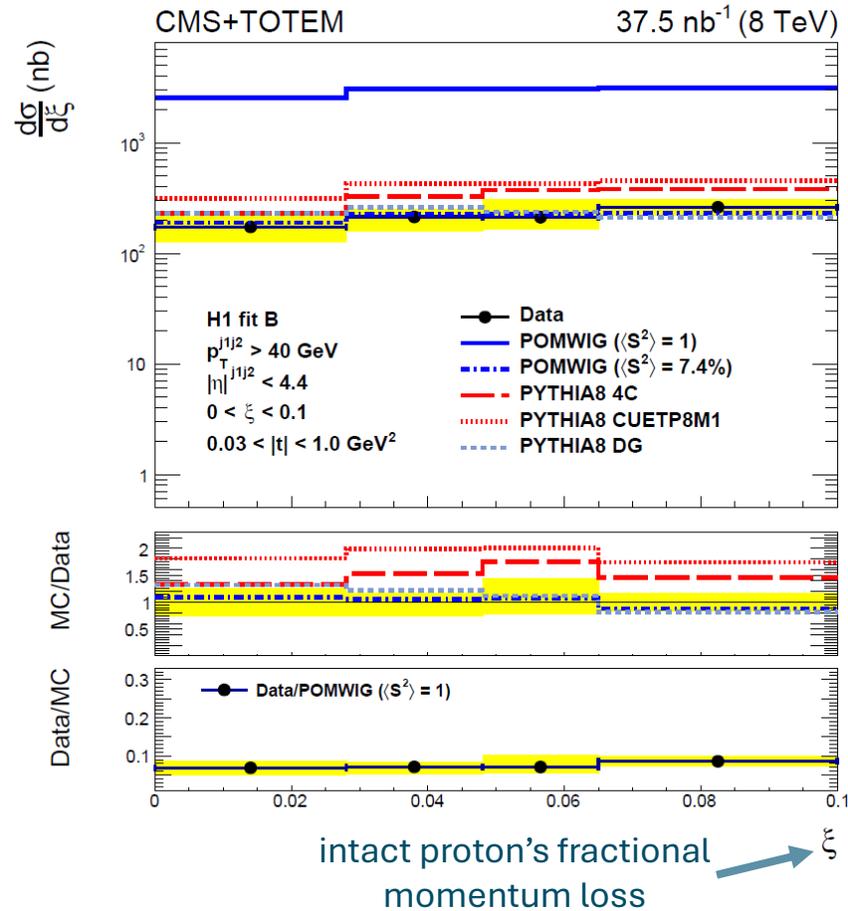
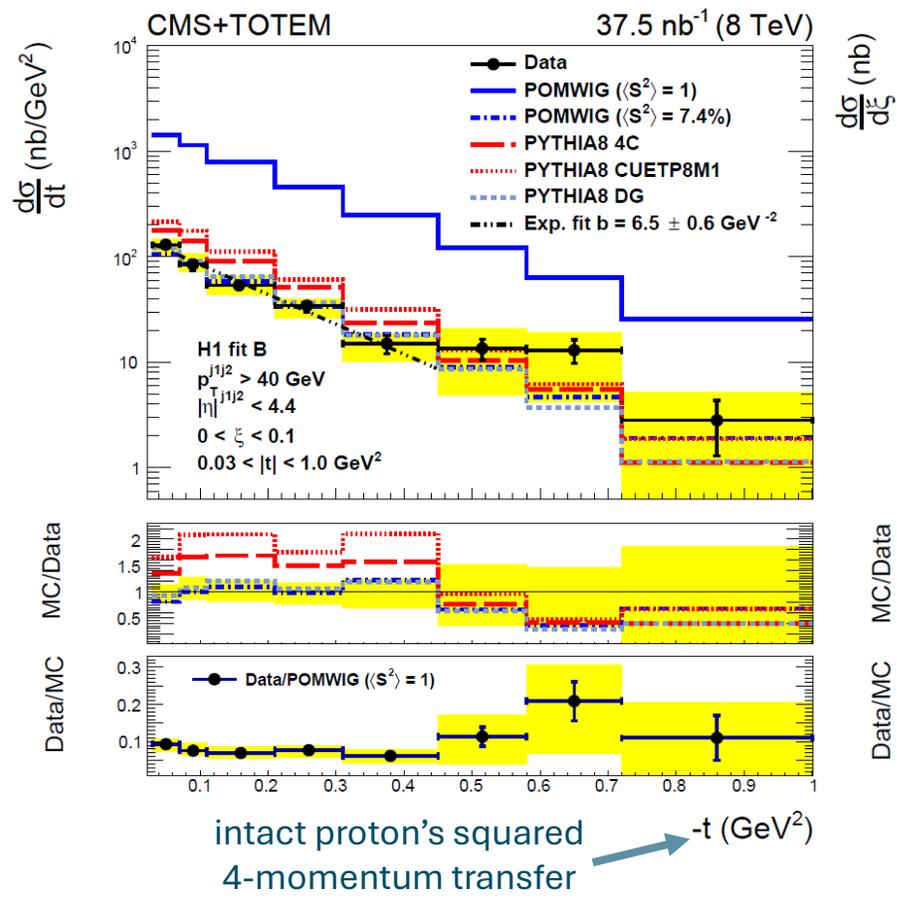
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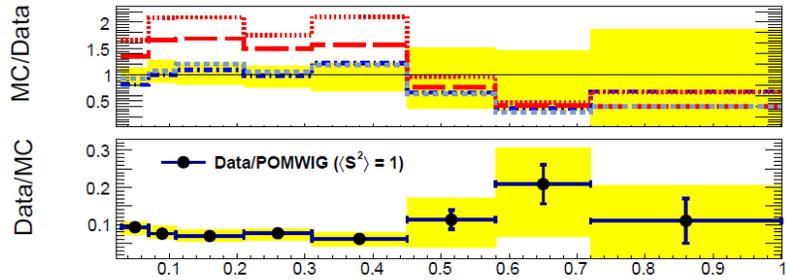
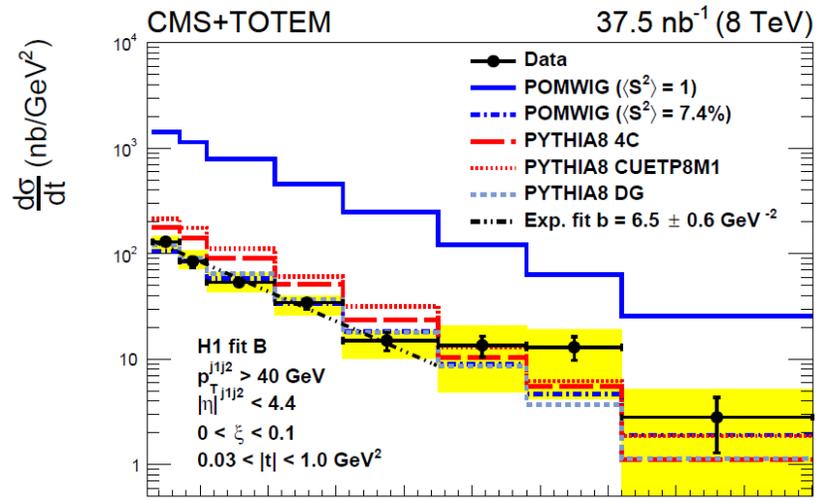
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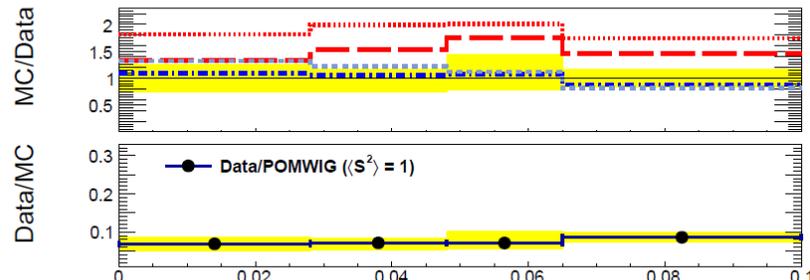
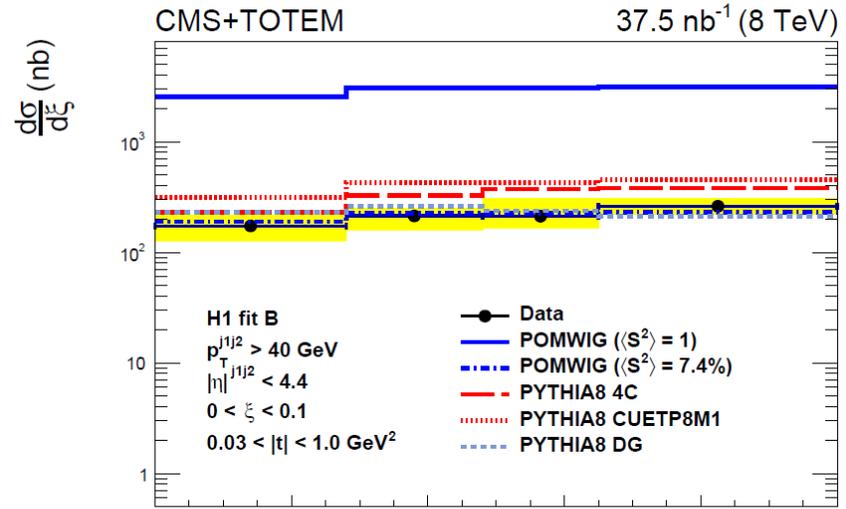
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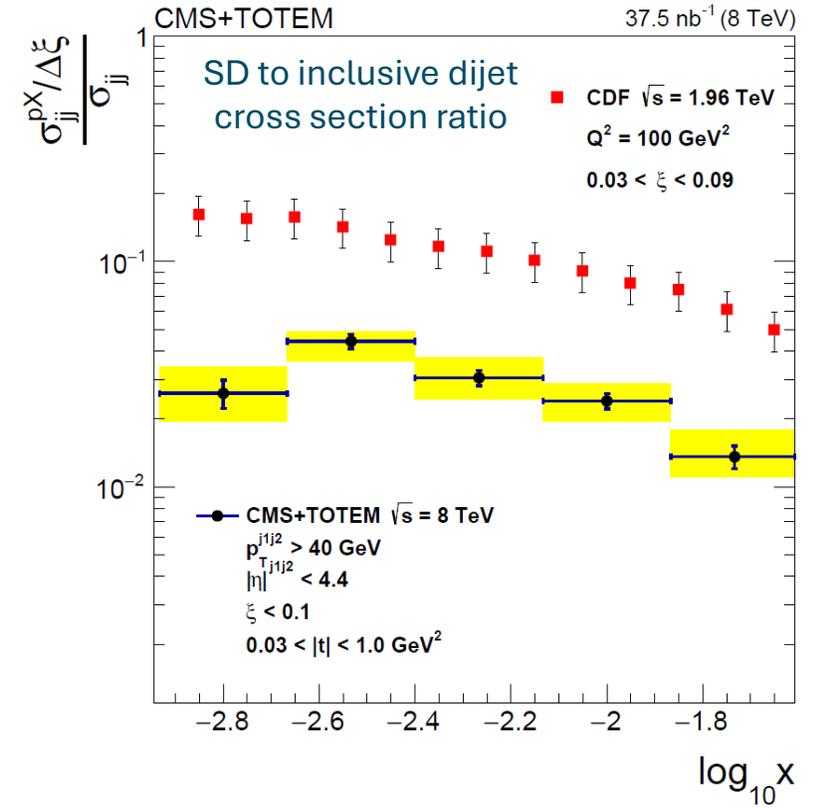
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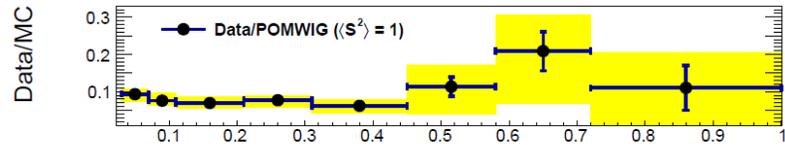
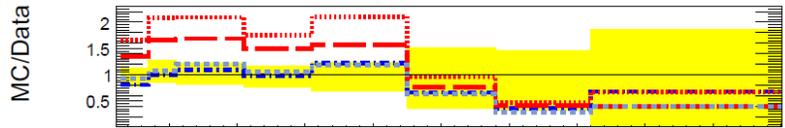
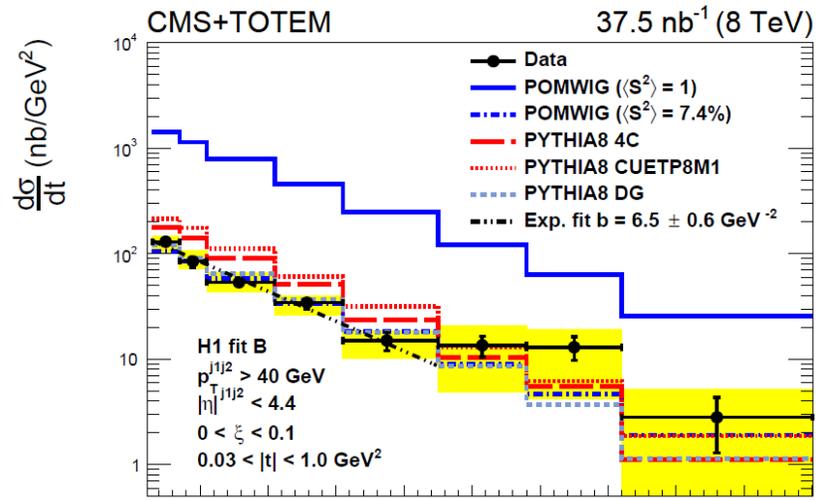
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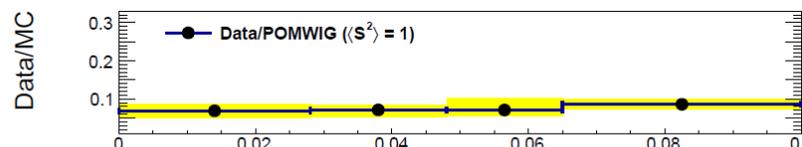
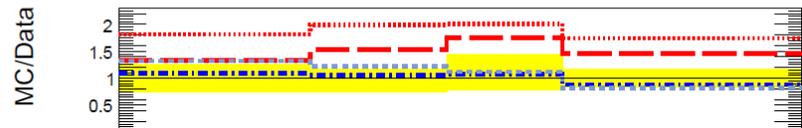
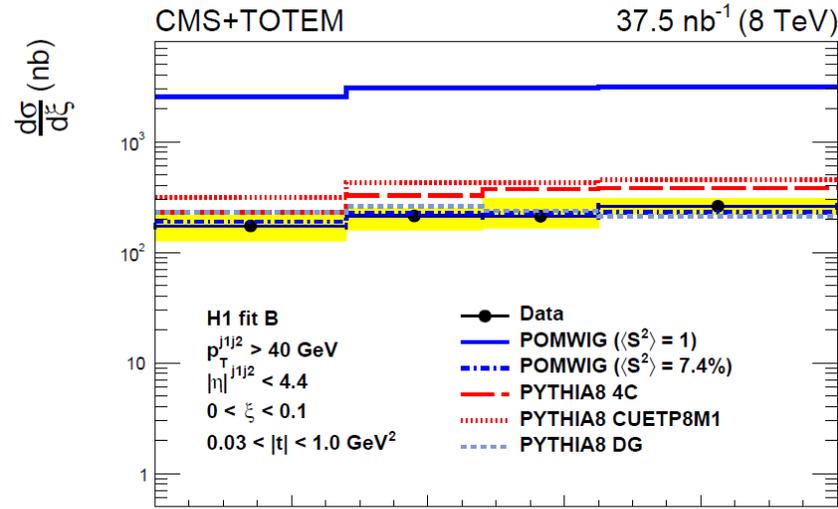
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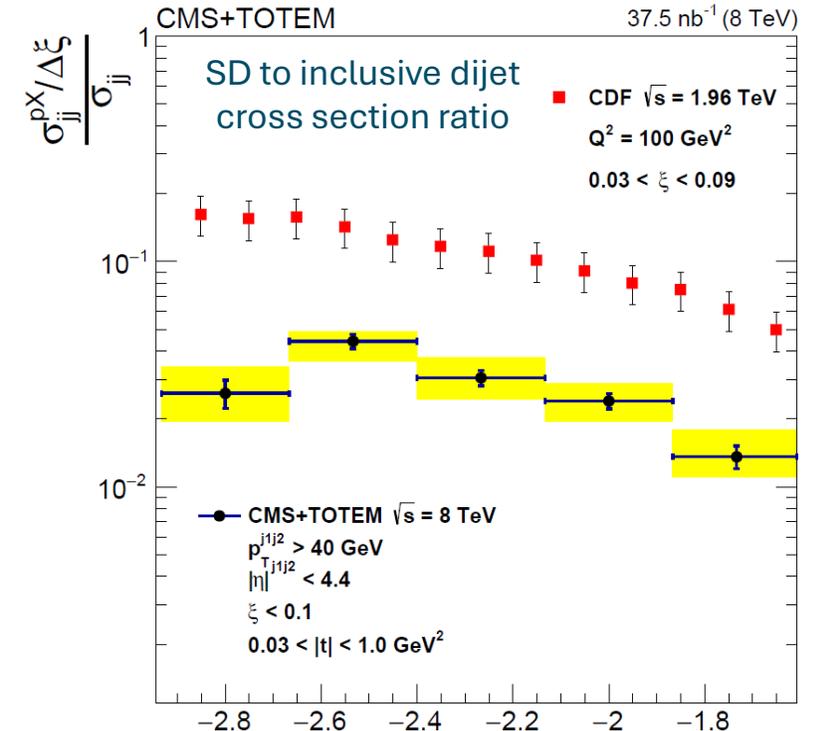
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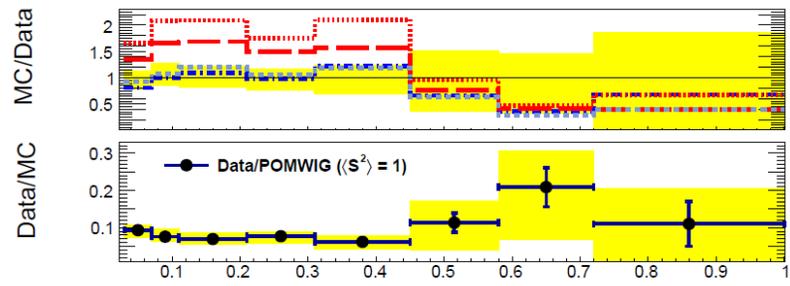
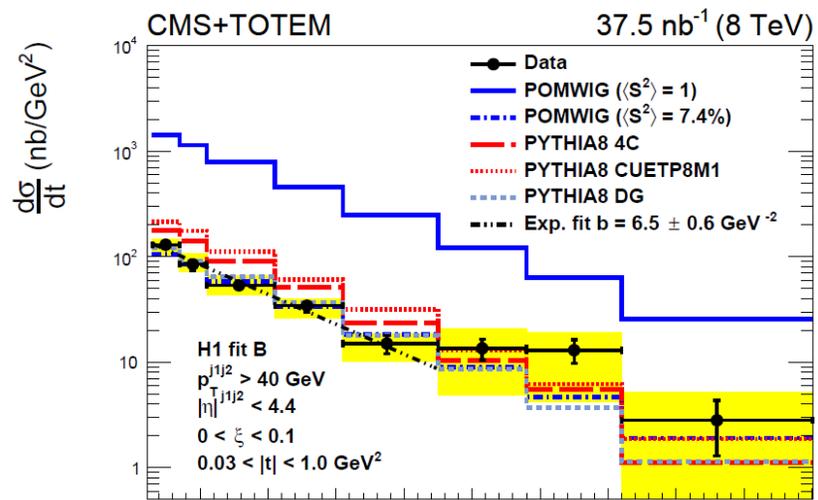


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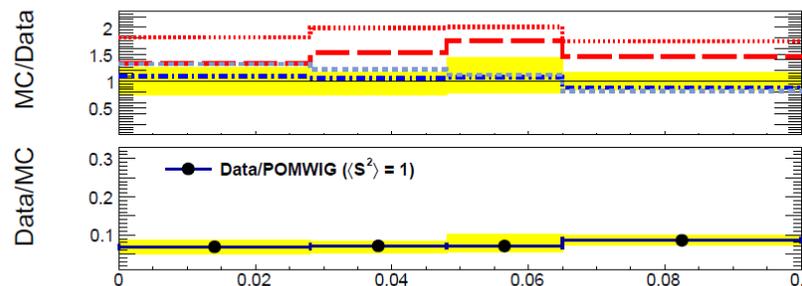
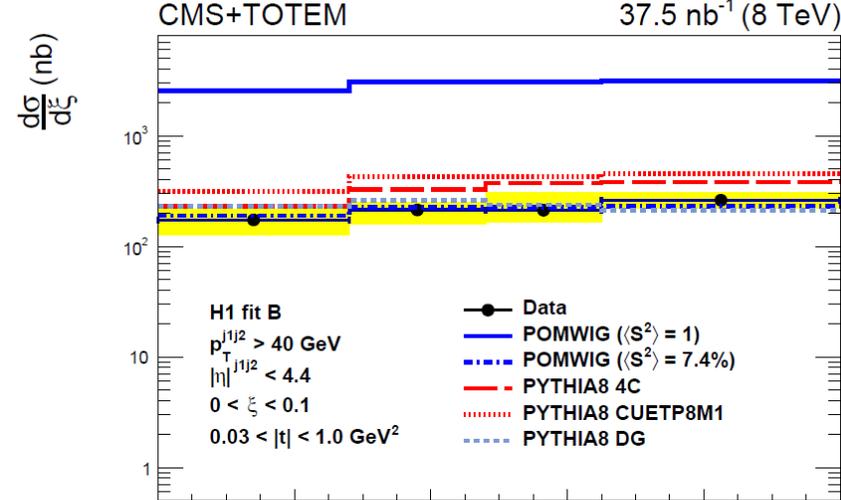


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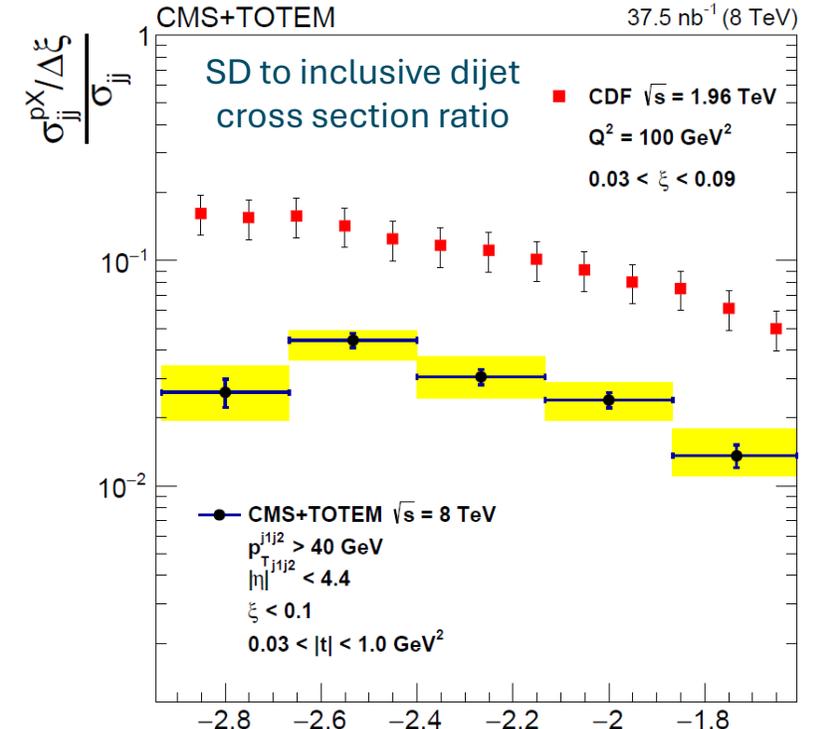
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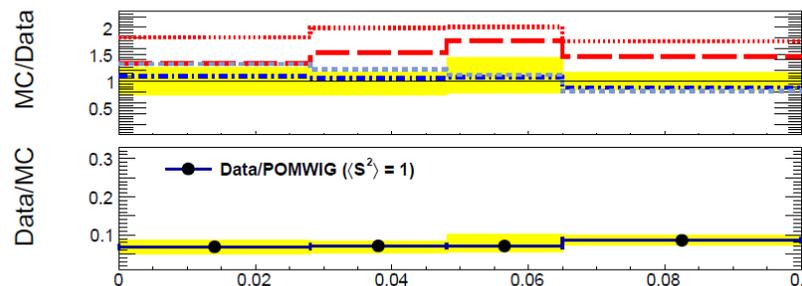
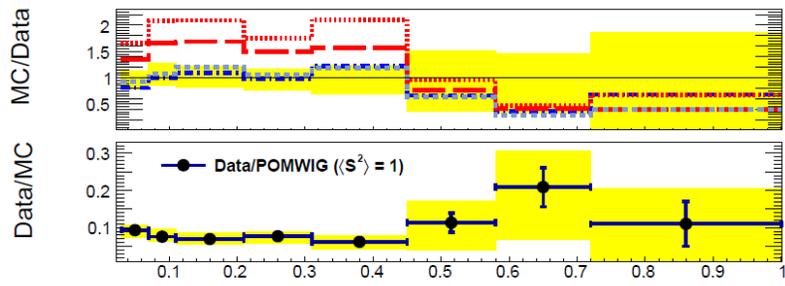
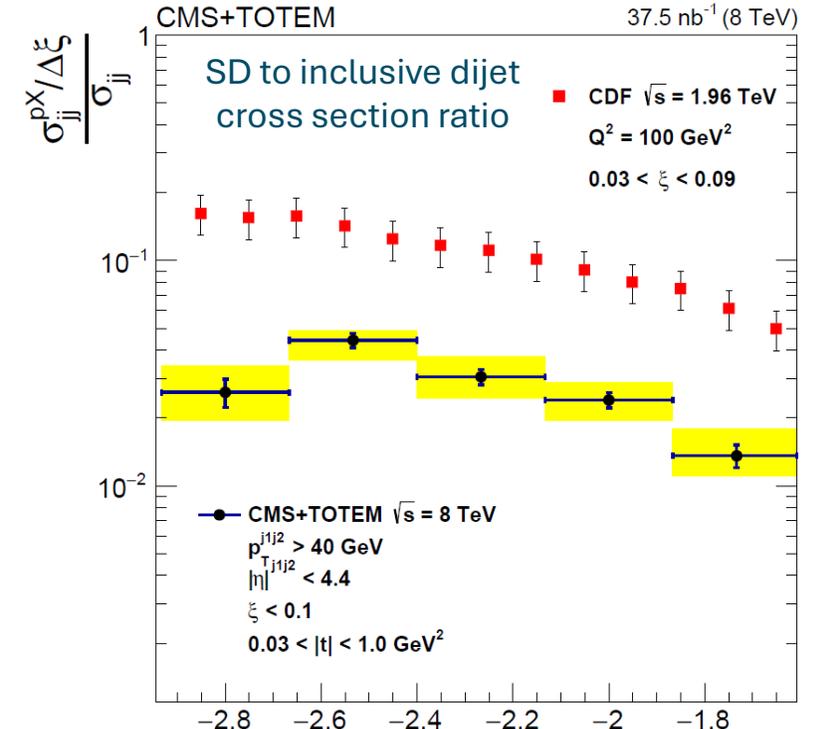
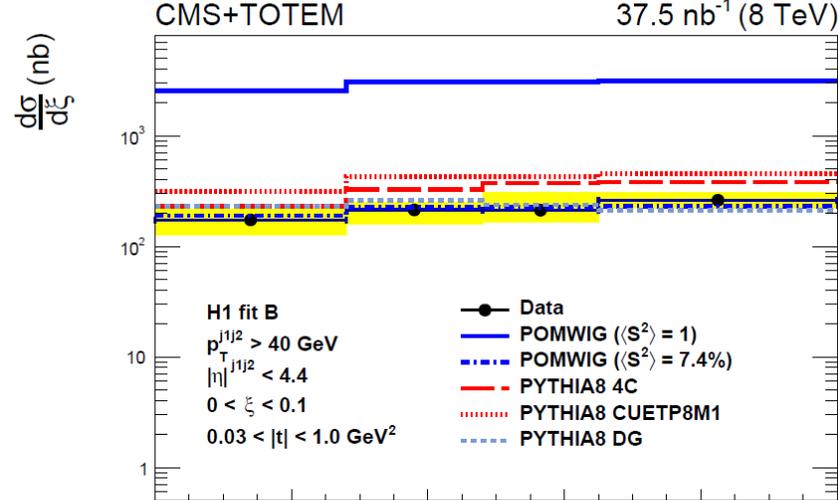
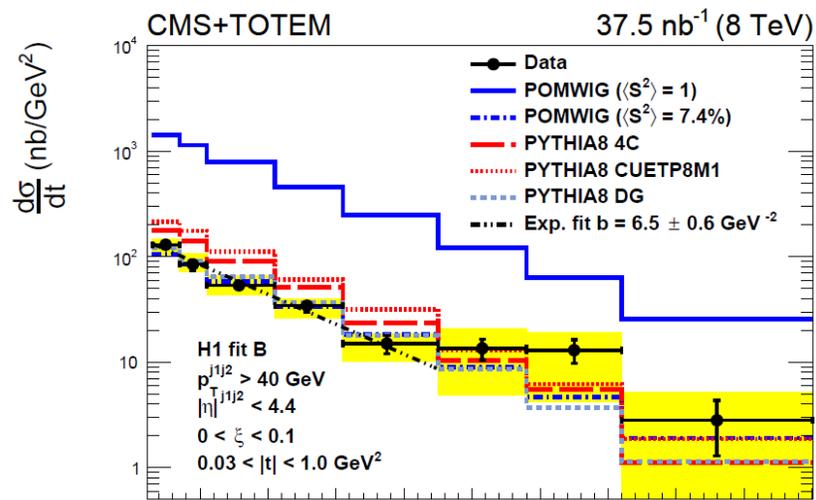
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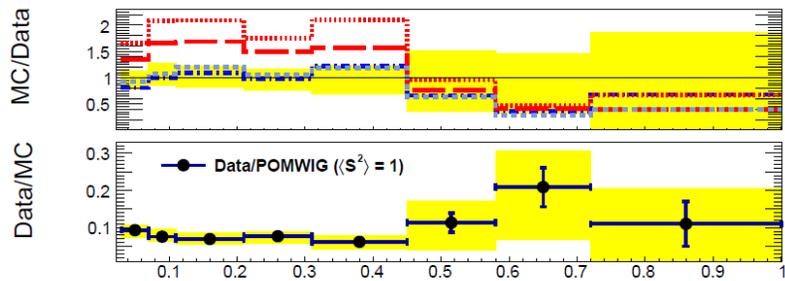
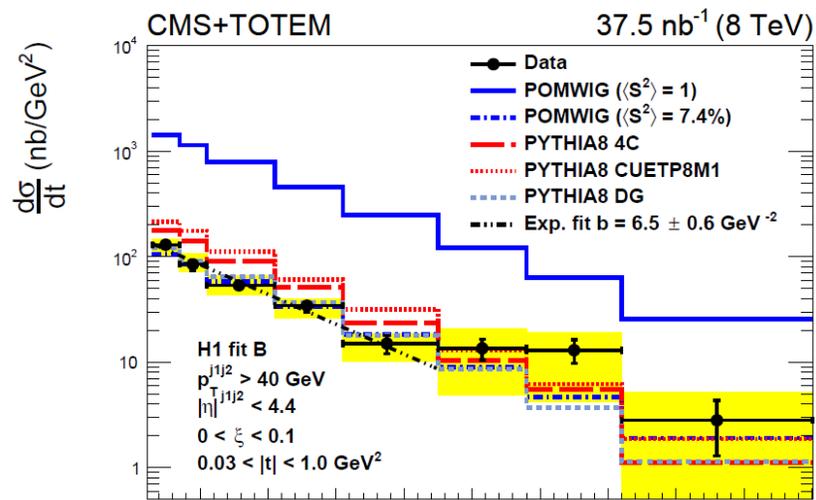
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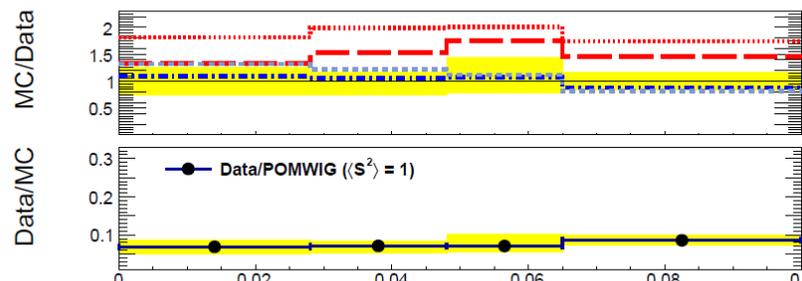
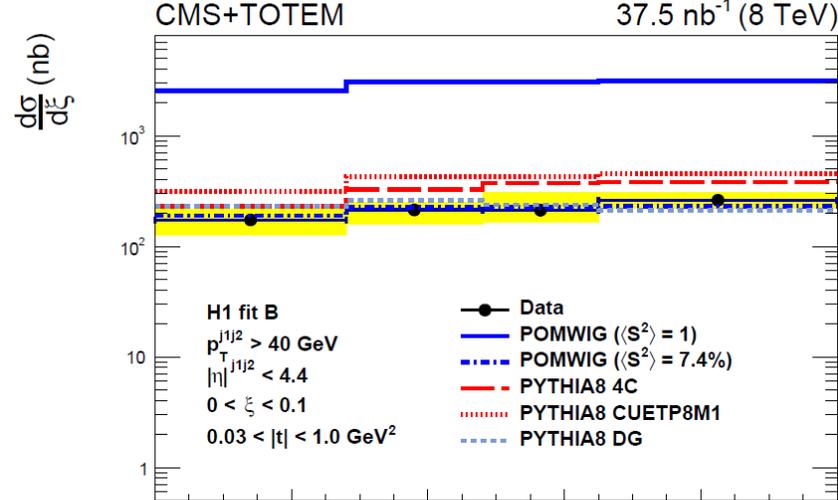
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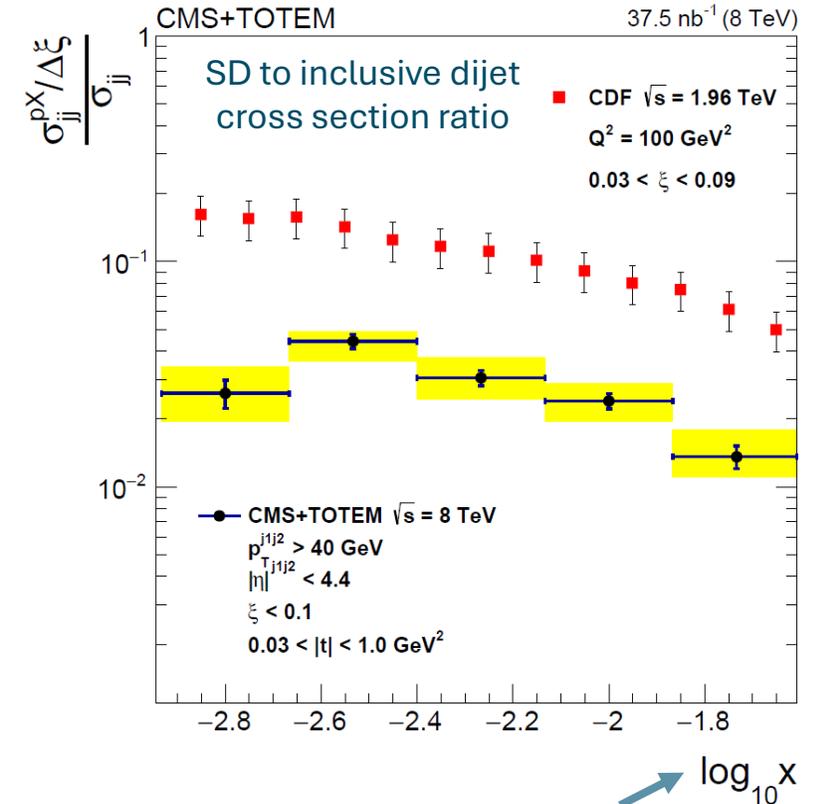
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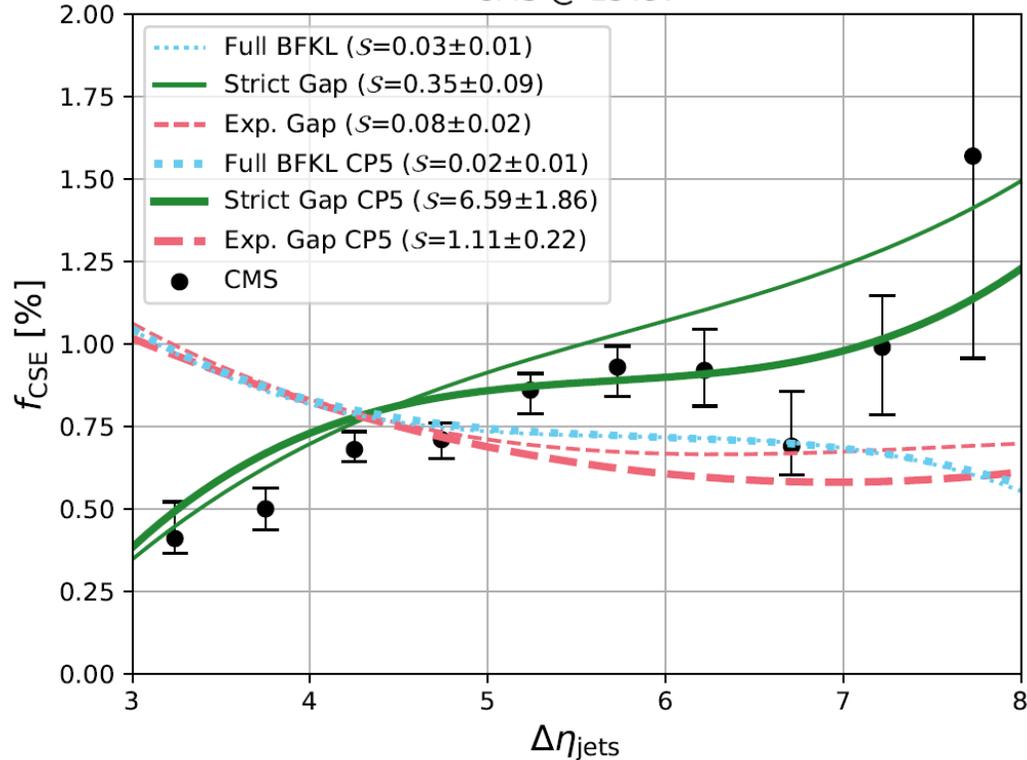
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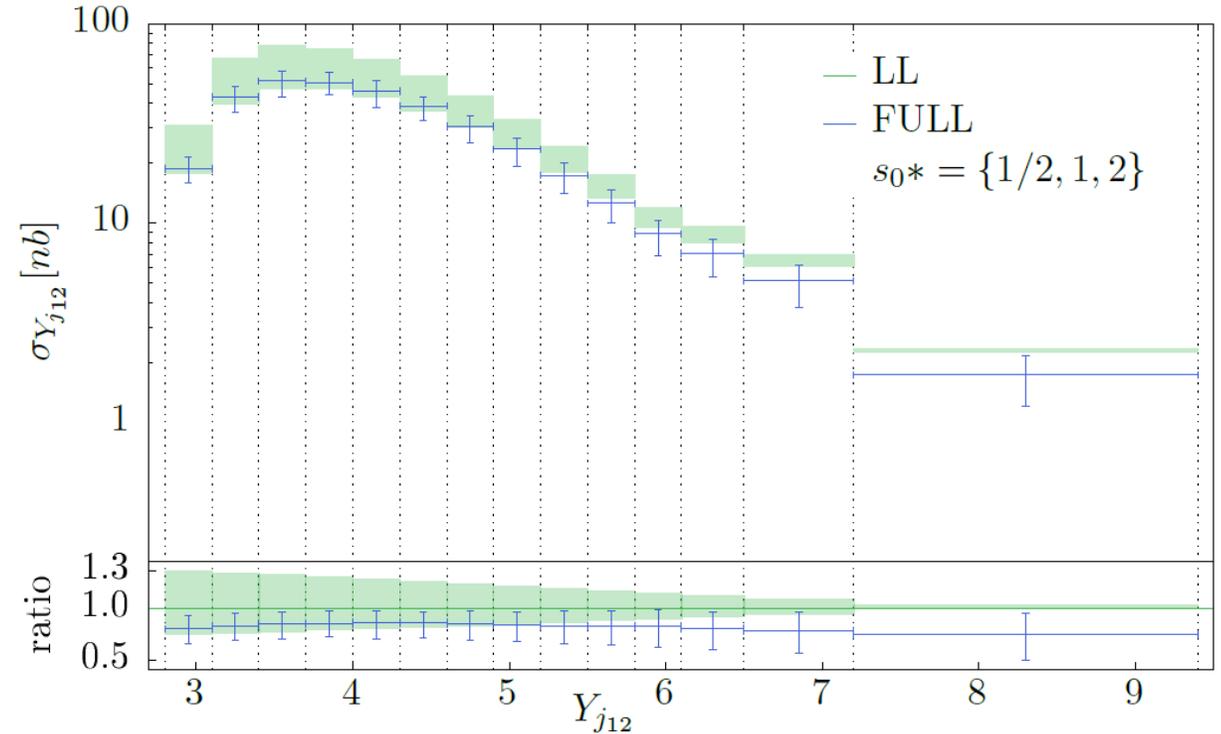
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good agreement between BFKL and data but the gap definition is different in theory and data (theory: no particles at all; experiment: no particles with  $p_T > 200$  MeV; explanation: too much ISR generated by PYTHIA)

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the full BFKL NLL prediction for the jet-gap-jet cross section is below the BFKL LL estimate in the whole rapidity separation range (15-20% decrease)