

Energy Correlation Functions for Jet Substructure

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What qualities do we want in jet observables?

- **Sensitive to N subjet structure:** can distinguish QCD from boosted particle decays
- **Simple:** can be understood analytically
- **Insensitive to soft recoil:** preferred from the calculation point of view as well as for increased discrimination power

Energy Correlation Functions

$$\text{ECF}(N, \beta) = \sum_{i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_N \in J} \left(\prod_{a=1}^N p_{T i_a} \right) \left(\prod_{b=1}^{N-1} \prod_{c=b+1}^N R_{i_b i_c} \right)^\beta$$

$$\text{ECF}(0, \beta) = 1,$$

$$\text{ECF}(1, \beta) = \sum_{i \in J} p_{T i},$$

$$\text{ECF}(2, \beta) = \sum_{i < j \in J} p_{T i} p_{T j} (R_{ij})^\beta,$$

Banfi, Salam, Zanderighi 2004
Jankowiak, AL 2011

$$\text{ECF}(3, \beta) = \sum_{i < j < k \in J} p_{T i} p_{T j} p_{T k} (R_{ij} R_{ik} R_{jk})^\beta,$$

$$\text{ECF}(4, \beta) = \sum_{i < j < k < \ell \in J} p_{T i} p_{T j} p_{T k} p_{T \ell} (R_{ij} R_{ik} R_{il} R_{jk} R_{jl} R_{k\ell})^\beta$$

Energy Correlation Function Double Ratios

$$C_N^{(\beta)} = \frac{\text{ECF}(N+1, \beta) \text{ECF}(N-1, \beta)}{\text{ECF}(N, \beta)^2}$$

Some nice properties:

- **Dimensionless:** reduced dependence on the energy scale of the jet
- **Simple scaling under boosts:** scales like $\gamma^{-\beta}$ so β can be used to emphasize different angular scales



What about IRC safety?

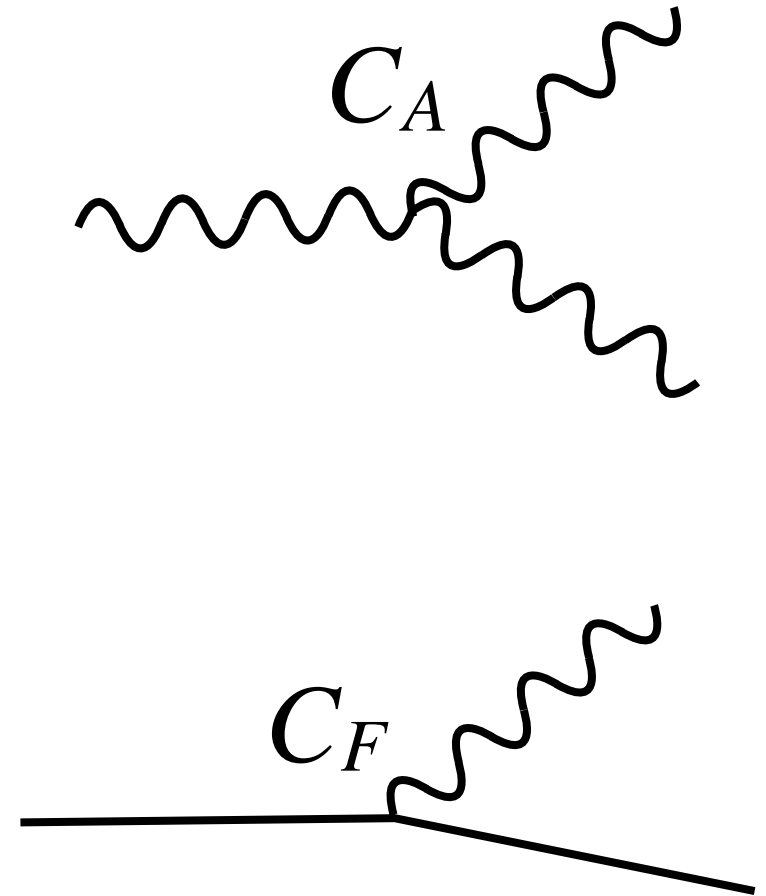
Why this combination of ECFs?

Three applications:

- **Quarks vs. Gluons:** Two-point correlation function
- **Z/H/W vs. QCD:** Three-point correlation function
- **t vs. QCD:** Four-point correlation function

Why use C_1 for quark vs. gluon discrimination?

$$C_1^{(\beta)} = \frac{\sum_{i,j \in J} p_{Ti} p_{Tj} R_{ij}^\beta}{\left(\sum_i p_{Ti} \right)^2}$$



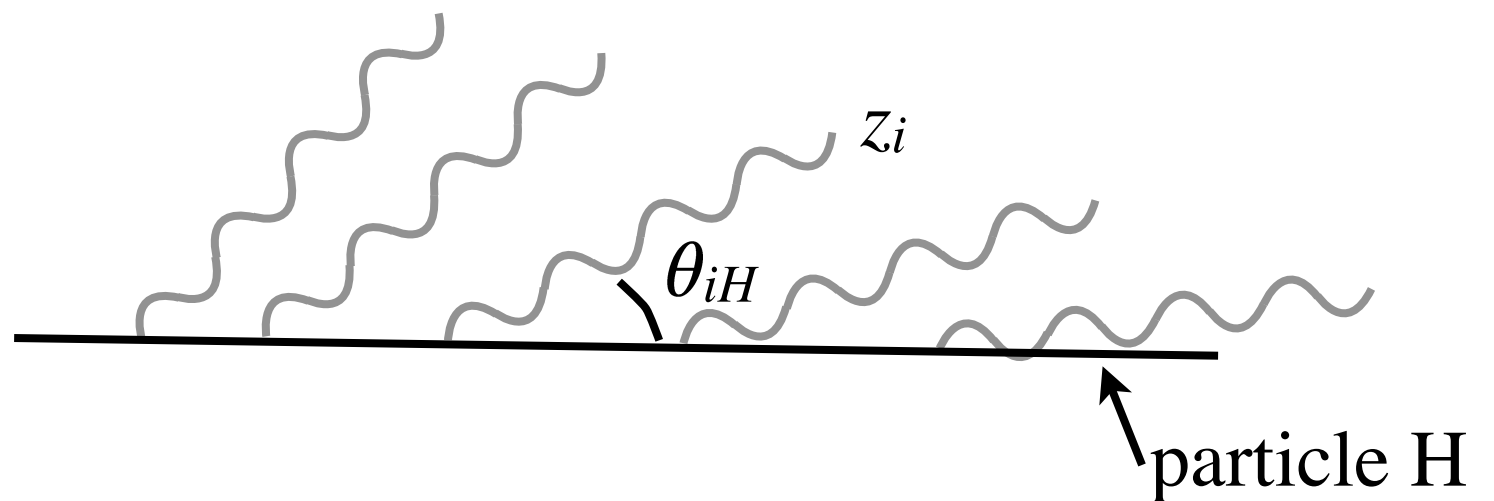
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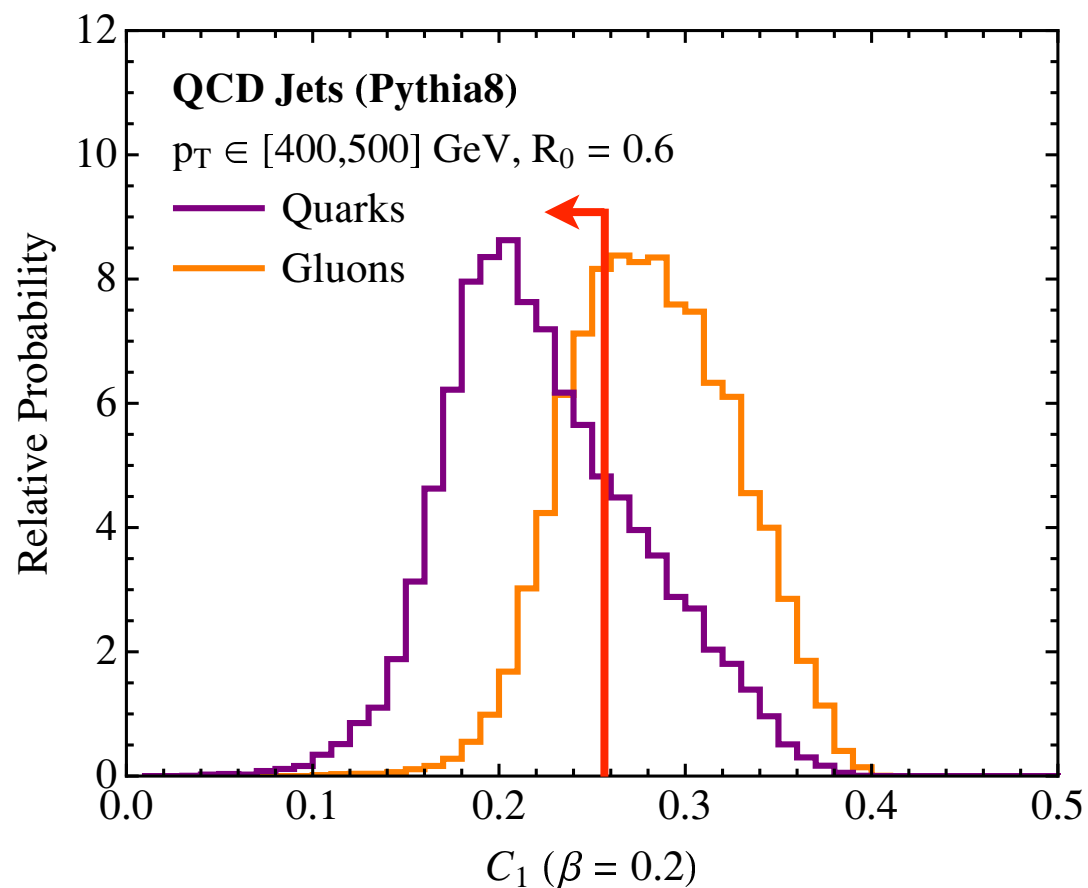
$$C_1^{(\beta)} = \frac{\sum_{i,j \in J} p_{Ti} p_{Tj} R_{ij}^\beta}{\left(\sum_i p_{Ti} \right)^2} \simeq \sum_{i \in J} z_i \theta_{iH}^\beta + \mathcal{O}(z^2)$$

$$z_i = \frac{p_{Ti}}{p_{TJ}}$$

soft-collinear emissions



Let's calculate the quark vs. gluon discrimination with C_1



Given a value of C_1 , what fraction of quark jets or gluon jets lie to the left of that cut?

Compute the cumulative distribution of C_1 for a quark jet and gluon jet

Let's consider the double-logarithmic structure of C_1

NOTE: The “Cumulant” is **not** the “Cumulative Distribution”!

Double-logarithmic = Soft-collinear emissions

$$C_1^{(\beta)} = z\theta^\beta \quad (\text{for one emission})$$

Phase space for soft-collinear emissions:

$$\int_0^1 \frac{d\theta}{\theta} \int_0^1 \frac{dz}{z} = \int_0^\infty d \log \frac{1}{\theta} \int_0^\infty d \log \frac{1}{z}$$

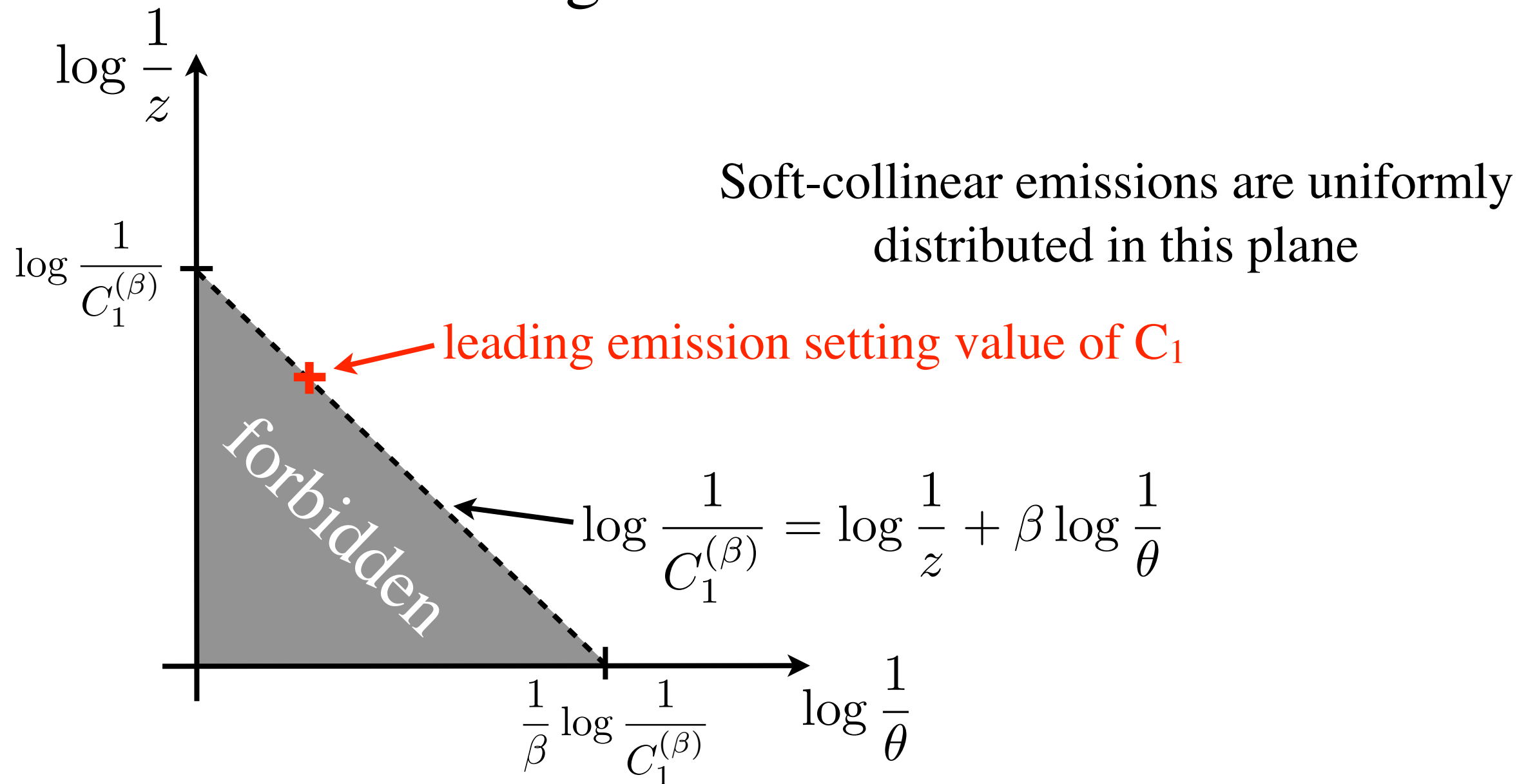
To this accuracy, the cumulative distribution is

$$P \left(x < C_1^{(\beta)} \right) = e^{-P_1 \left(x > C_1^{(\beta)} \right)}$$

cumulative probability for an arbitrary number of emissions

probability for one soft-collinear emission

Double-logarithmic Resummation



$$\text{Area of forbidden region} = \frac{\log^2 C_1^{(\beta)}}{2\beta} \propto P_1(x > C_1^{(\beta)})$$

*to this accuracy, the jet radius is irrelevant

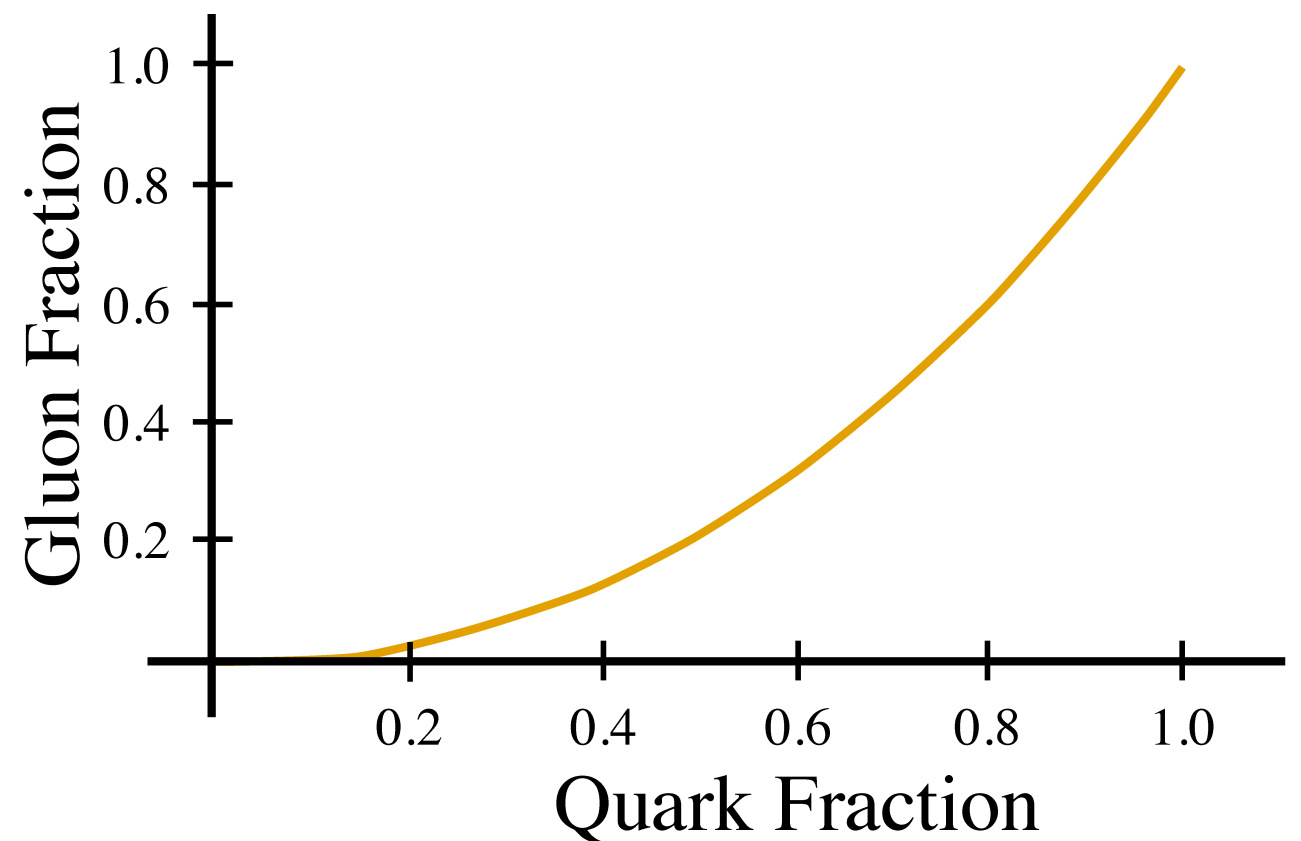
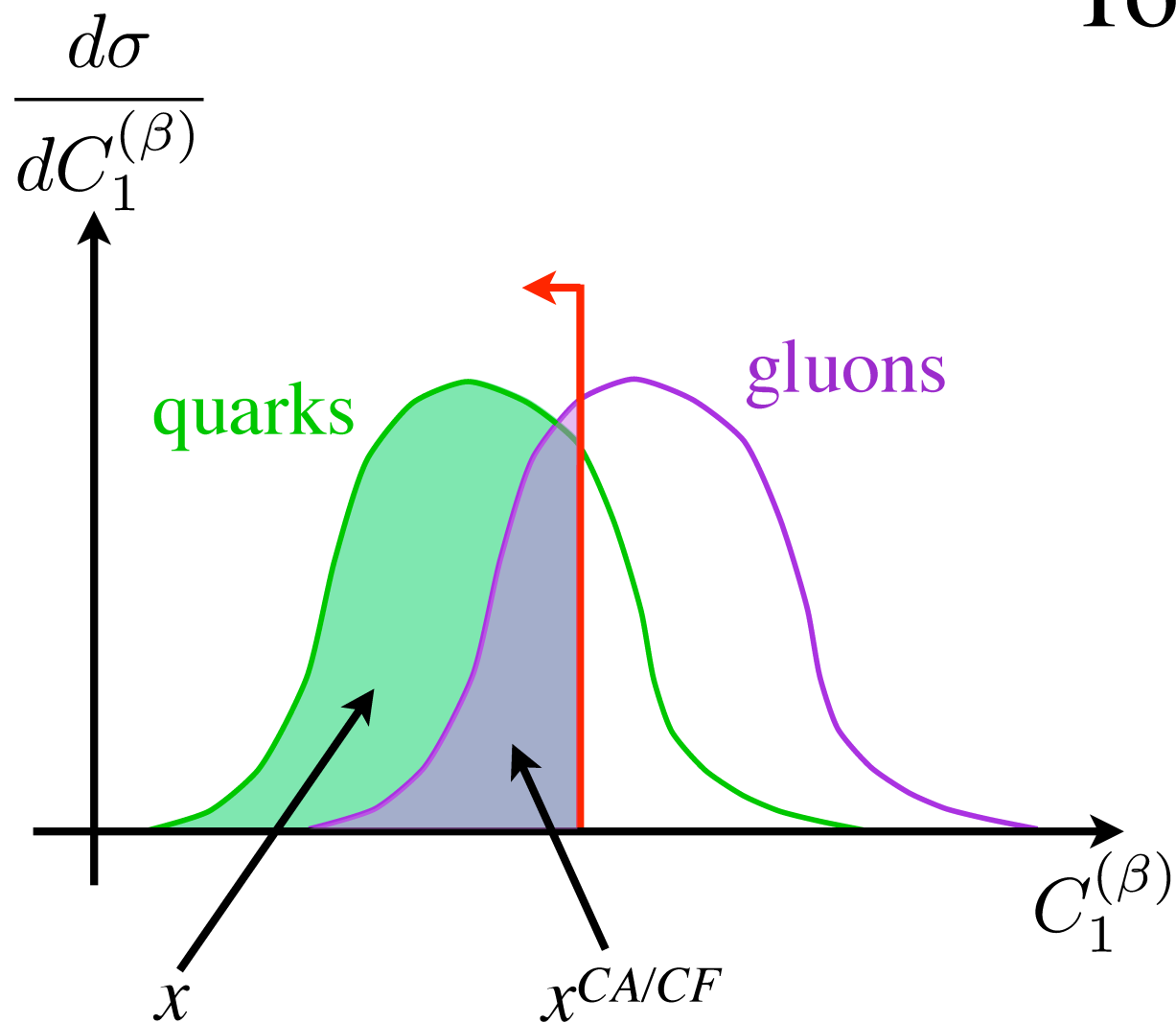
Double-logarithmic Resummation

$$\Sigma_q(C_1^{(\beta)}) = e^{-\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \frac{C_F}{\beta} \log^2 C_1^{(\beta)}}$$

$$\Sigma_g(C_1^{(\beta)}) = e^{-\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \frac{C_A}{\beta} \log^2 C_1^{(\beta)}}$$

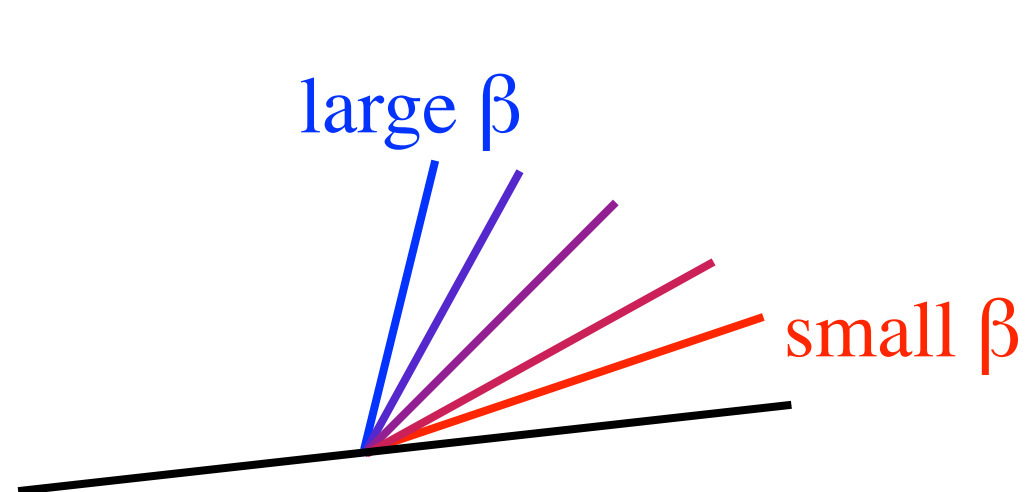
To LL accuracy:

$$\Sigma_g = \Sigma_q \frac{C_A}{C_F}$$



*This result holds for many observables at LL

One higher order effect: hard collinear logs



$$C_1^{(\beta)} = \frac{\sum_{i,j \in J} p_{Ti} p_{Tj} R_{ij}^\beta}{\left(\sum_i p_{Ti} \right)^2}$$

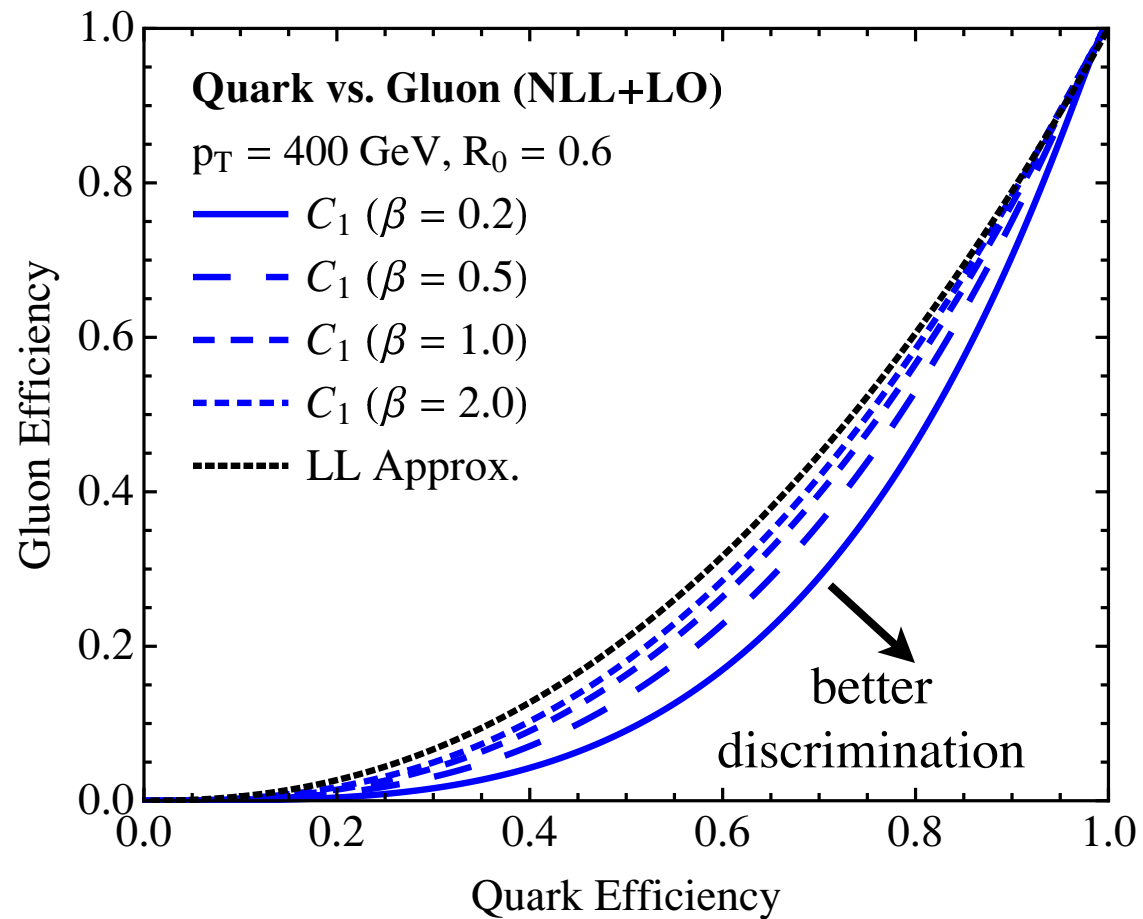
Large β : Dominated by soft radiation
Sensitive to total color of jet

Small β : Dominated by hard collinear radiation
Sensitive to color and spin of jet

Expect better quark/gluon discrimination at small β

*For $n_F = C_A$, no improvement
over LL discrimination

Next-to-Leading Log Discrimination

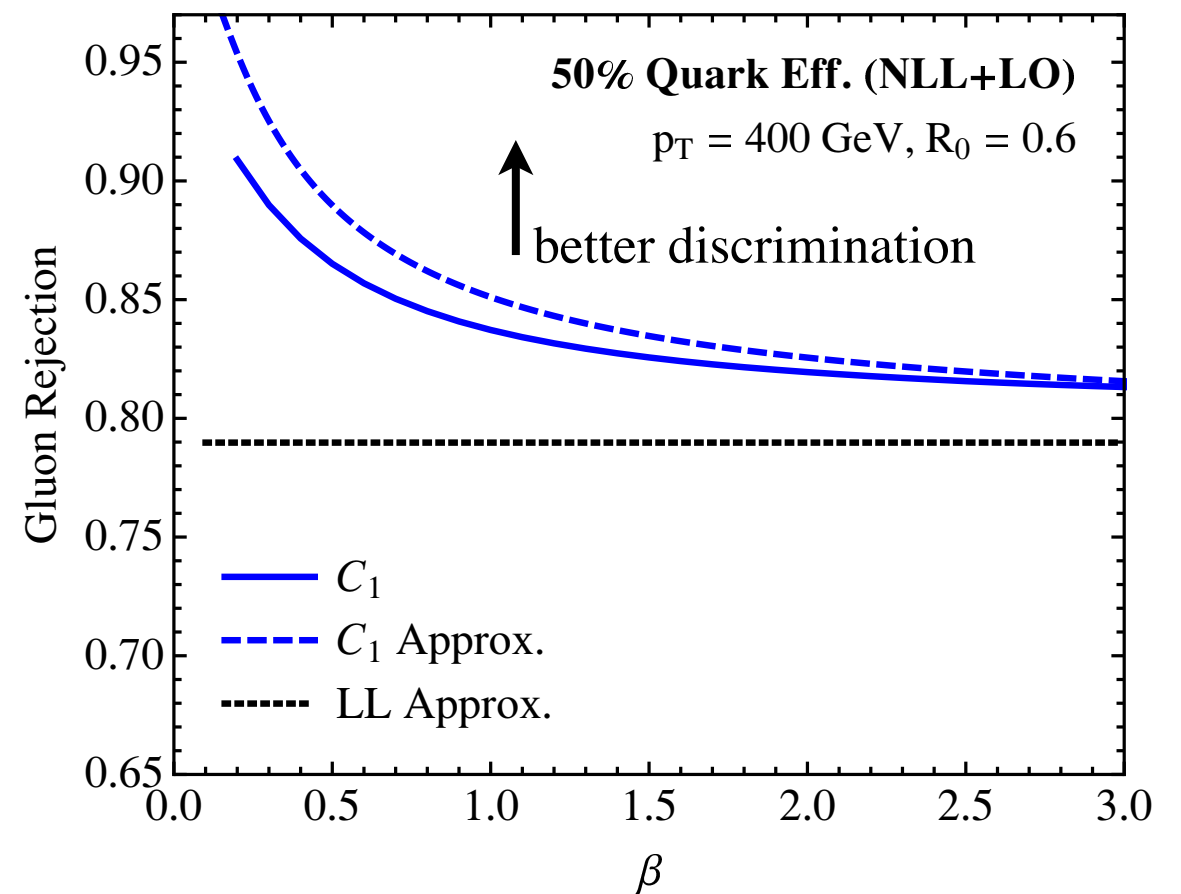


Several effects lead to better discrimination at small β :

- Hard collinear emissions
- Multiple soft emissions
- Running coupling

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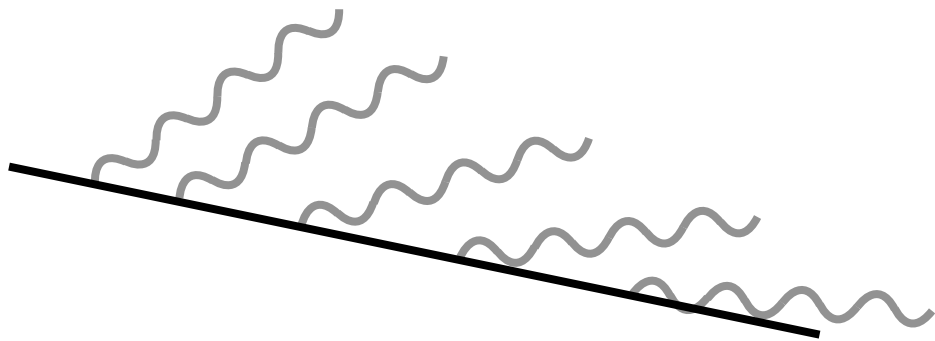
Banfi, Salam, Zanderighi 2004



Isn't this the same as angularities like thrust,
broadening, etc?

$$C_1^{(\beta)} = \frac{\sum_{i,j \in J} p_{Ti} p_{Tj} R_{ij}^\beta}{p_{T\text{jet}}^2}$$

identical to $\tau^{(\beta)}$ for $\beta > 1$ to NLL



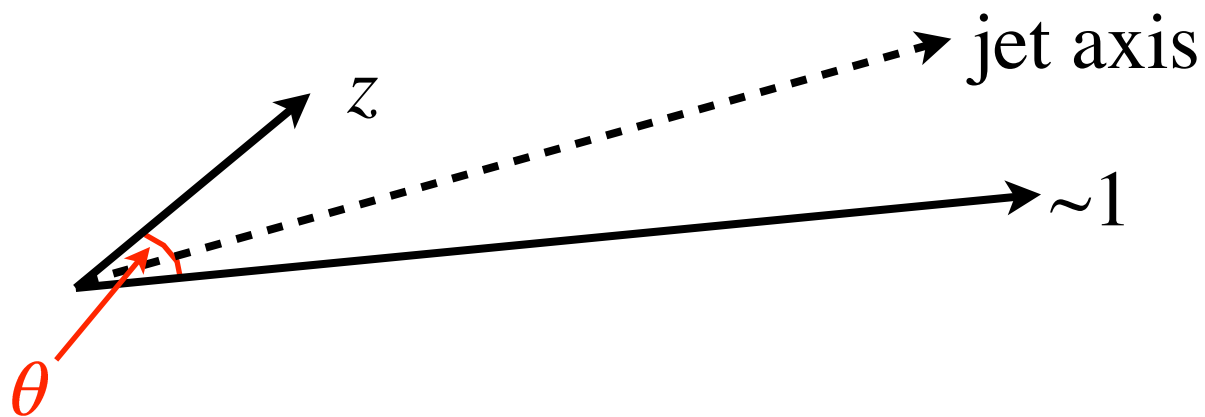
$$\tau^{(\beta)} = \frac{1}{p_{T\text{jet}}} \sum_{i \in J} p_{Ti} R_{iJ}^\beta$$

Important: C_1 is insensitive to recoil from soft,
wide angle emission

Contrast C_1 to angularities $\tau^{(\beta)}$

$$\tau^{(\beta)} = \frac{1}{p_{TJ}} \sum_{i \in J} p_{Ti} R_i^\beta \simeq \sum_{i \in J} z_i \theta_i^\beta$$

angle from particle i
to jet axis



$$\tau^{(\beta)} \simeq \underbrace{z^\beta \theta^\beta}_{\text{“recoil” contribution}} + \underbrace{z \theta^\beta}_{\text{“direct” contribution}}$$

Value of β determines sensitivity to recoil

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$\beta > 1$: $\tau^{(\beta)} \rightarrow z\theta^\beta$ includes thrust/mass ($\beta = 2$)

$\beta = 1$: $\tau^{(\beta)} \rightarrow 2z\theta$ broadening/width/girth

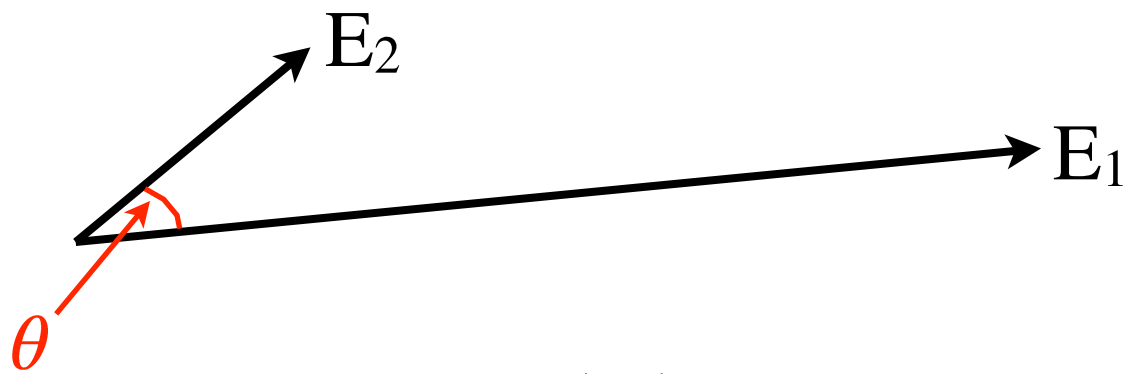
$\beta < 1$: $\tau^{(\beta)} \rightarrow (z\theta)^\beta$ recoil-dominated angularities

*Angularities are only additive for $\beta > 1$

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angle from particle i
to hard particle



$$C_1^{(\beta)} \simeq z \theta^\beta$$

for all $\beta > 0$
no recoil contribution

Insensitivity to recoil = more sensitivity to
pattern of soft emissions

* C_1 is additive for all $\beta > 0$

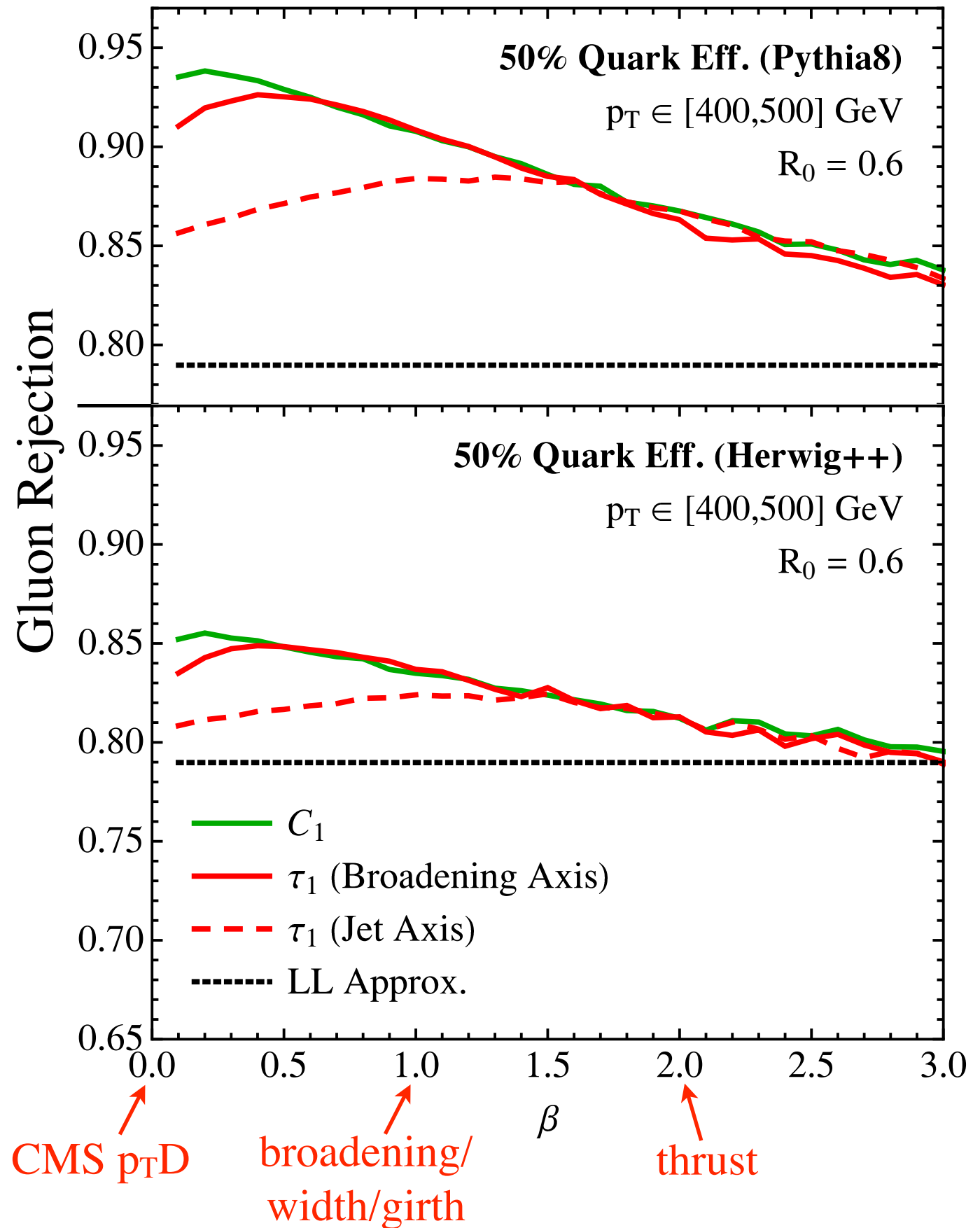
Monte Carlo Study

Expectations:

- Improved performance with recoil-free observables
- Improved discrimination at small β
- Identical performance at large β for most observables

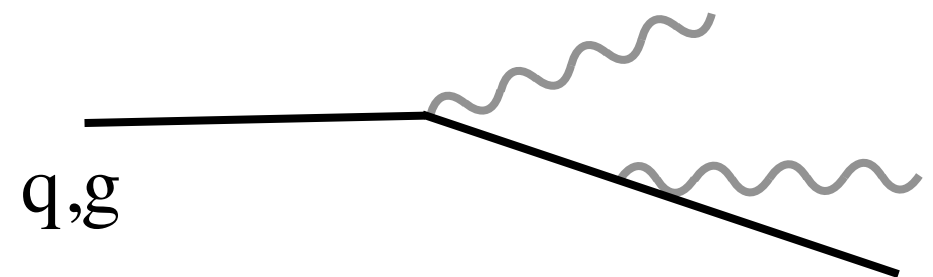
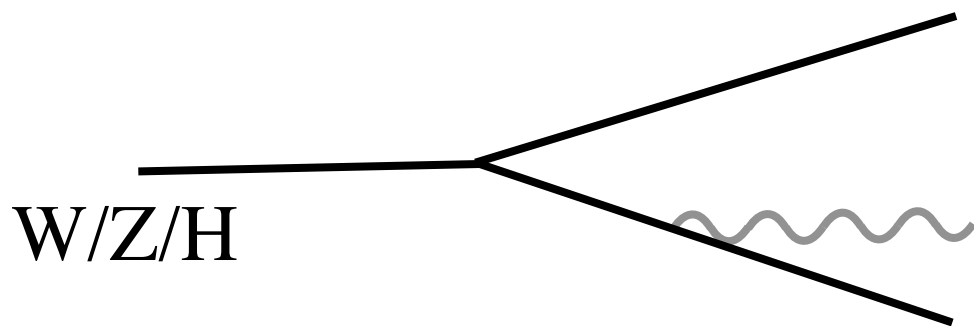
Questions:

- Is Pythia or Herwig closer to data?
- Is the improved performance at small β observed in data?



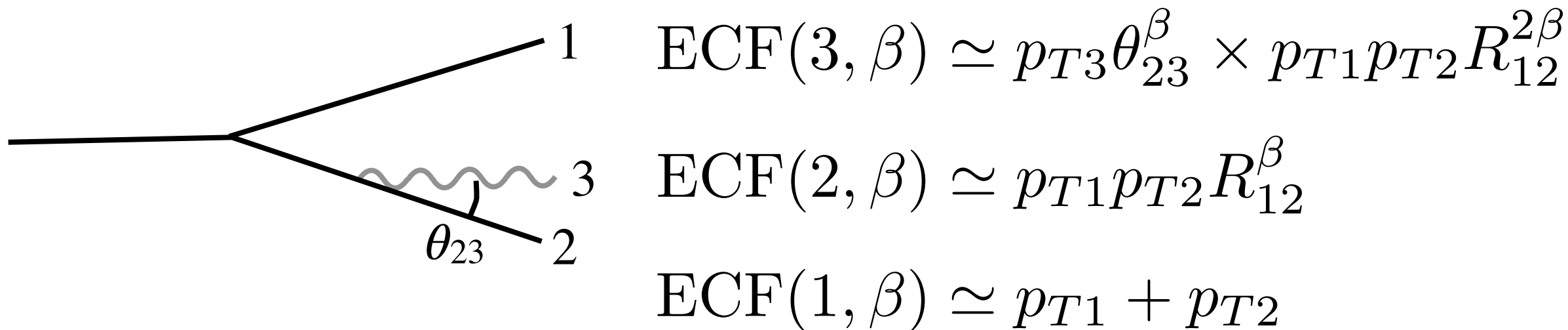
On to C_2 for W/Z/H discrimination

$$C_2^{(\beta)} = p_{TJ} \frac{\sum_{i < j < k \in J} p_{Ti} p_{Tj} p_{Tk} R_{ij}^\beta R_{ik}^\beta R_{jk}^\beta}{\left(\sum_{i < j \in J} p_{Ti} p_{Tj} R_{ij}^\beta \right)^2}$$



C_2 is sensitive to emissions about a two hard prongs

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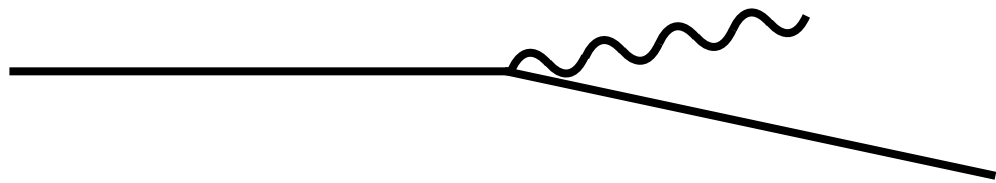


$$z_3 = \frac{p_{T3}}{p_{T1} + p_{T2}}$$

$$C_2^{(\beta)} = \frac{\text{ECF}(3, \beta) \text{ECF}(1, \beta)}{\text{ECF}(2, \beta)^2} \simeq \underbrace{z_3 \theta_{23}^\beta}_{\text{soft emission}} \times \frac{(p_{T1} + p_{T2})^2}{\underbrace{p_{T1} p_{T2}}_{\text{hard kinematics}}}$$

$$C_2^{(2)} = p_{T\text{jet}} \frac{\sum_{i,j,k \in J} p_{Ti} p_{Tj} p_{Tk} R_{ij}^2 R_{jk}^2 R_{ik}^2}{\left(\sum_{i,j \in J} p_{Ti} p_{Tj} R_{ij}^2 \right)^2}$$

identical to C-parameter in
COM frame to $O(\alpha_s)$



$$C = \frac{3}{2} \frac{\sum_{i,j} |\mathbf{p}_i| |\mathbf{p}_j| \sin^2 \theta_{ij}}{(\sum_i |\mathbf{p}_i|)^2}$$

Important: C_2 is well-defined in any frame and
so can be used at a hadron collider

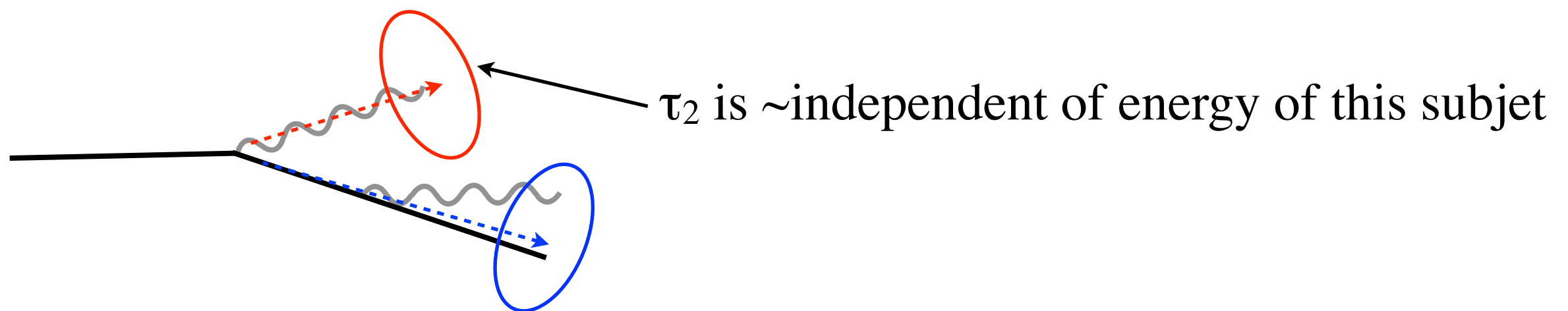
Contrast C_2 to N-subjettiness ratio τ_2/τ_1

N-subjettiness: **Always** partitions the jet into N subsets

$$\tau_N^{(\beta)} = \sum_i p_{Ti} \min \left\{ R_{1,i}^\beta, R_{2,i}^\beta, \dots, R_{N,i}^\beta \right\}$$

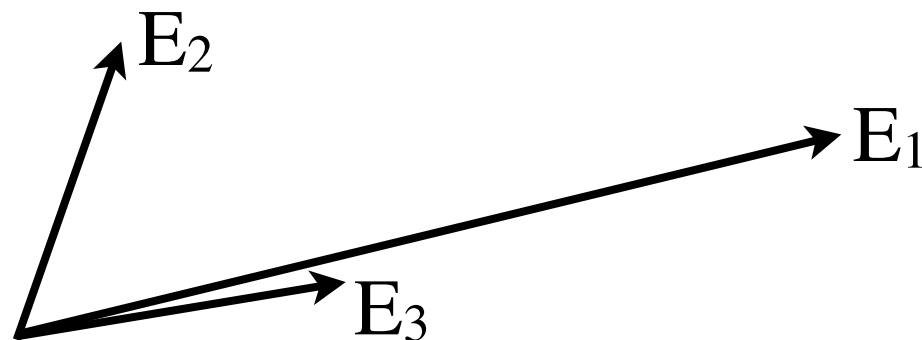
$$\tau_{N,N-1}^{(\beta)} = \frac{\tau_N^{(\beta)}}{\tau_{N-1}^{(\beta)}}$$

with some choice/procedure for determining N axes in the jet



C_2 : Sensitive to all soft and collinear singularities

Contrast C_2 to N-subjettiness ratio τ_2/τ_1



$$E_1 \gg E_2, E_3$$
$$\theta_{13} \ll \theta_{12} \simeq \theta_{23}$$

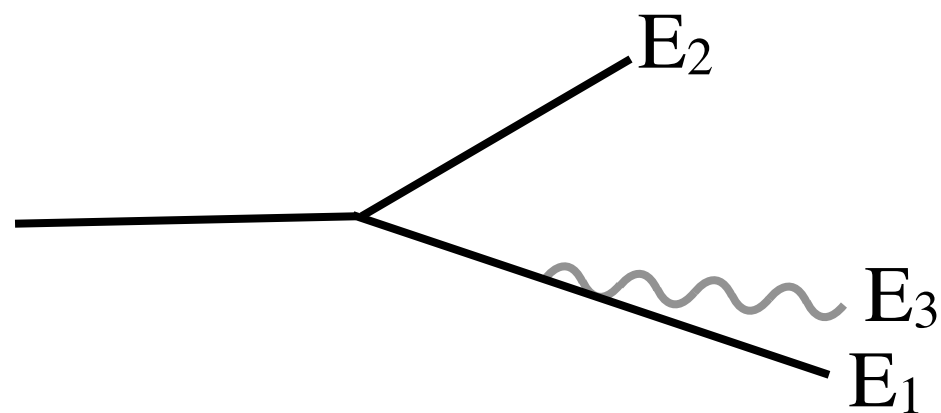
For this kinematic configuration (see back-up slides):

$$C_2^{(\beta)} \simeq \tau_{2,1}^{(\beta)} \times (\theta_{12})^\beta \longrightarrow C_2 > \tau_{2,1} \text{ in the presence of soft, wide angle radiation}$$

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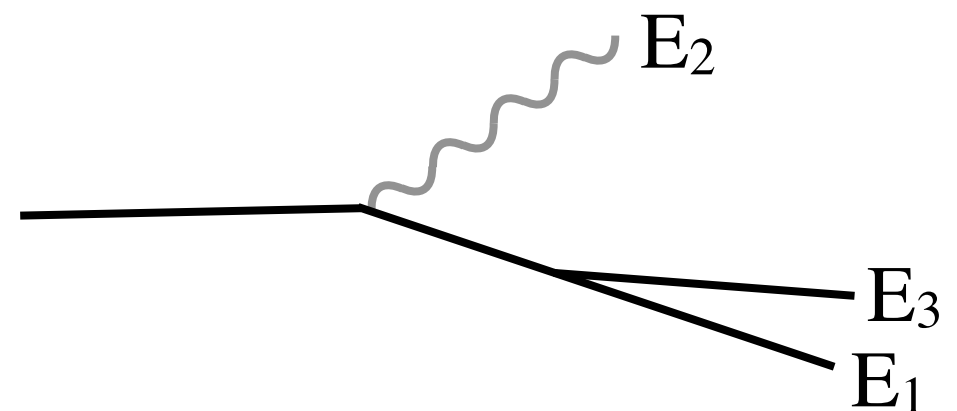
$$C_2^{(\beta)} \simeq \tau_{2,1}^{(\beta)} \times (\theta_{12})^\beta$$

Take $\beta = 2$ and fix the mass: $m^2 \simeq E_1 \max \left[E_2 (\theta_{12})^2, E_3 (\theta_{13})^2 \right]$



$$C_2^{(2)} \simeq \tau_{2,1}^{(2)} \times \frac{m^2}{(E_1)^2} \frac{1}{z}$$

Greater weight to mass dominated by soft, wide angle emissions



C_2 independent of energy fraction of E_3

Phase space for wide angle emissions from signal jets decreases with boost

Let's calculate the Z vs. QCD discrimination with C_2



Many challenges:

- **Leading-order calculation at α_s^2**

Can use some tricks for signal calculation

Feige, Schwartz, Stewart, Thaler 2012

Can't use same tricks for boosted background jets

- **With no mass cut, C_2 is actually **not** IRC safe**

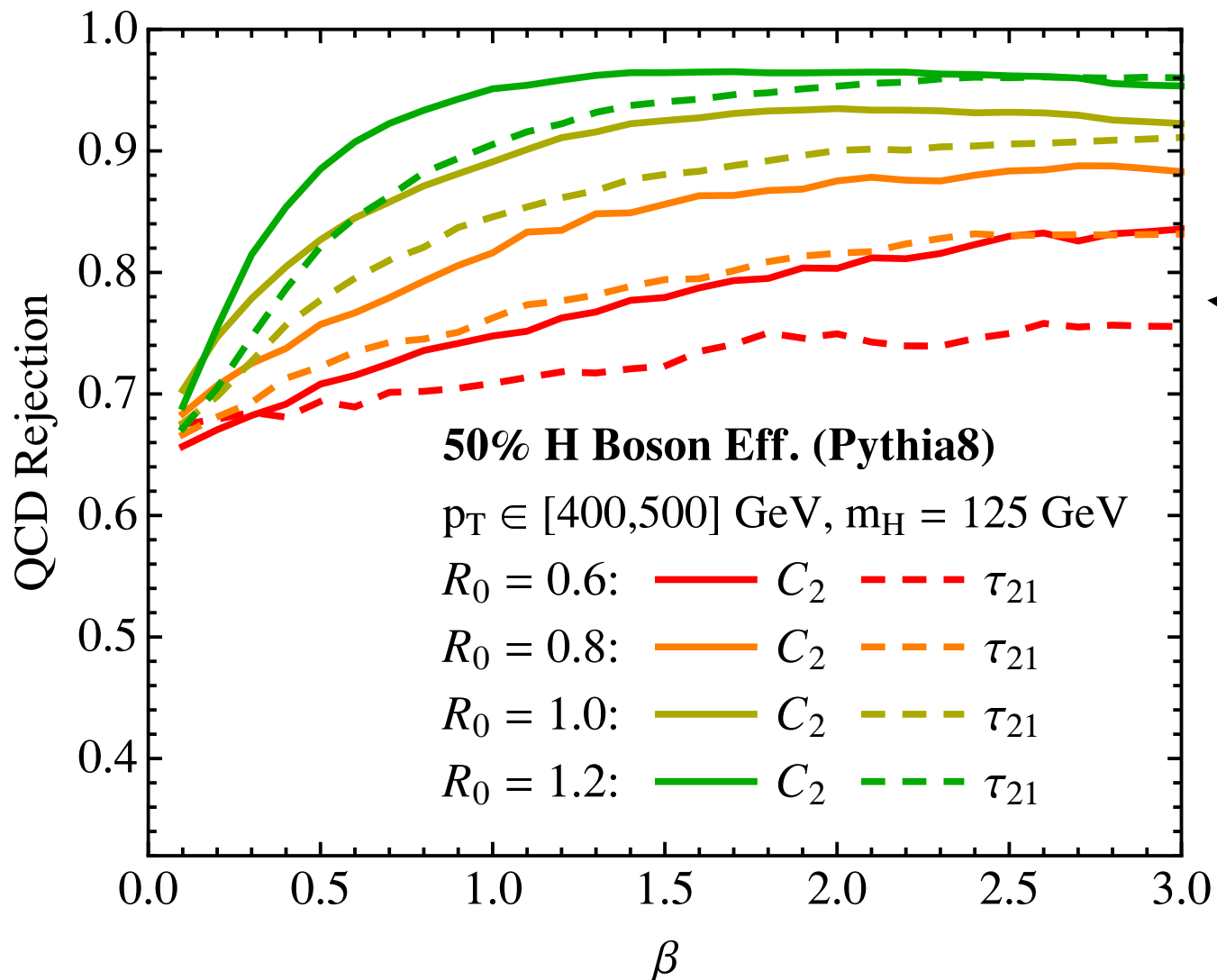
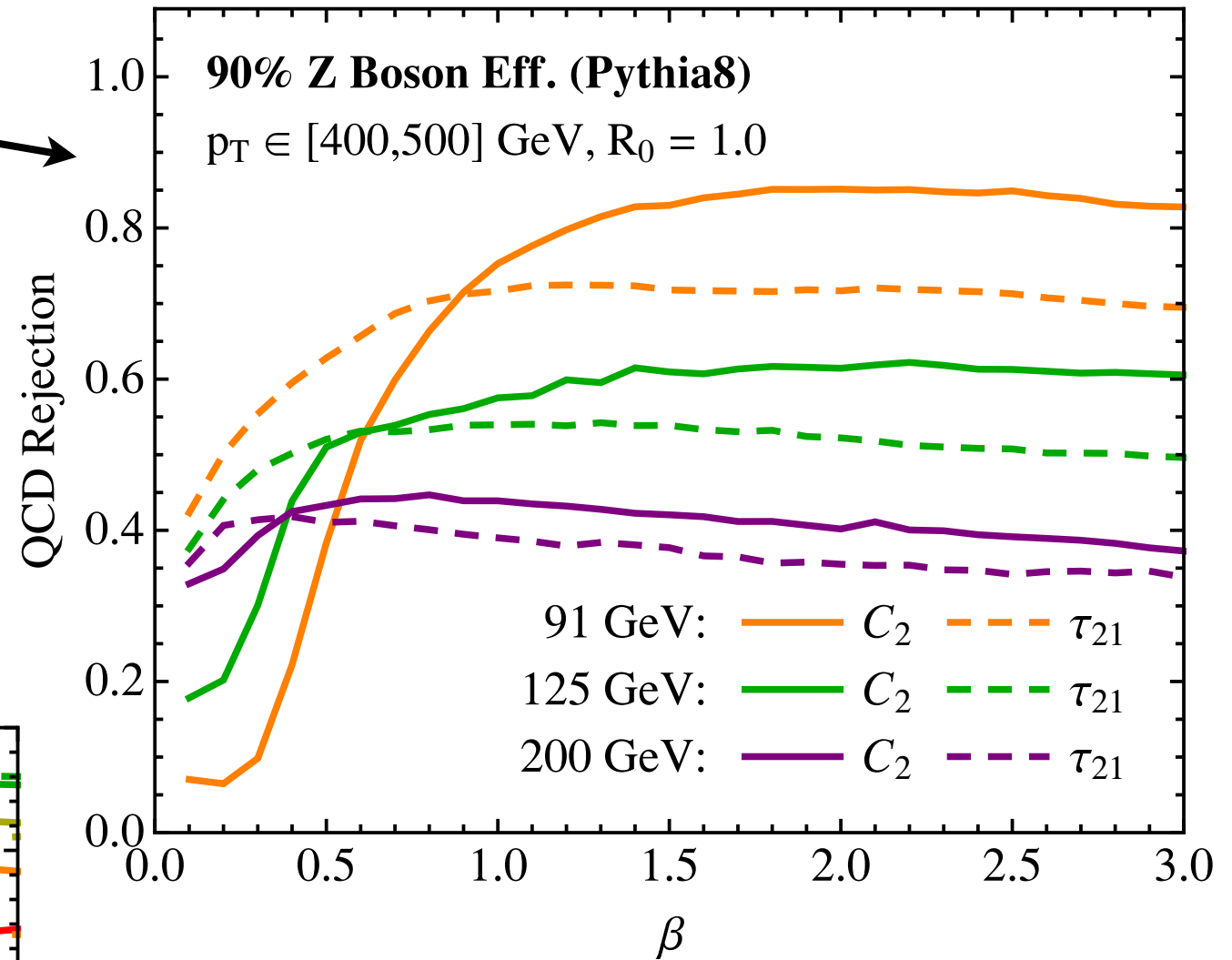
Actually, **much** less of an issue than it sounds like; see Jesse's talk

AL, Thaler 2013

“Z” vs. QCD

Require mass of jet in a window about mass of boson

Rejection increases as boost increases because phase space for wide angle emissions in Z jet decreases



H vs. QCD

Require two b subjets

Dominant QCD background: $g > b b$

Rejection increases at larger β /jet radius because wide angle emissions are weighted more

On to C_3 for t discrimination

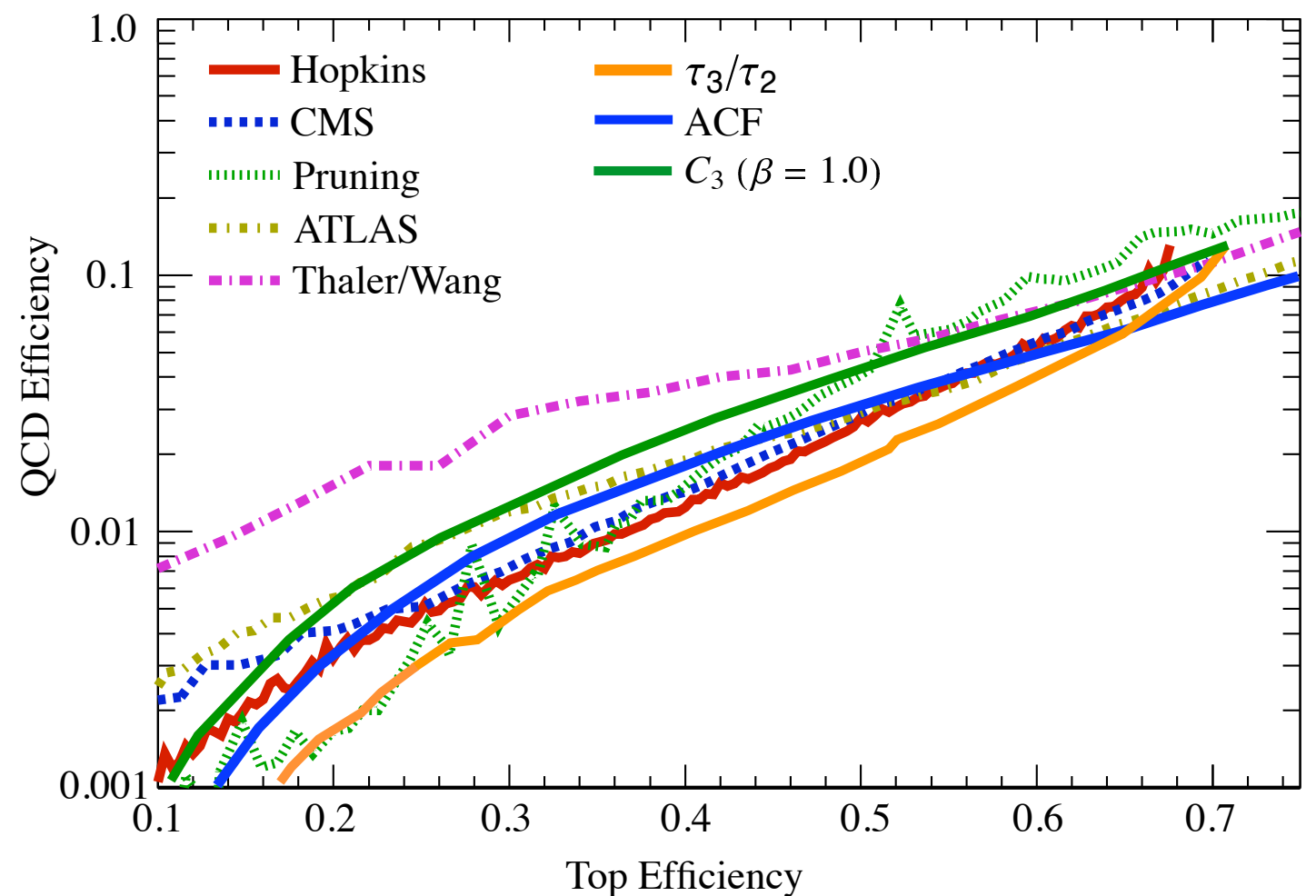
$$C_3^{(\beta)} = \frac{\text{ECF}(4, \beta) \text{ECF}(2, \beta)}{\text{ECF}(3, \beta)^2}$$

Require mass of jet in a window about mass of top

C_3 is IRC unsafe even with a mass cut, so we apply a cut on C_2

Performance is significantly worse in comparison to C_1 and C_2

No analytic understanding of the discrimination whatsoever



Comparison to BOOST 2010

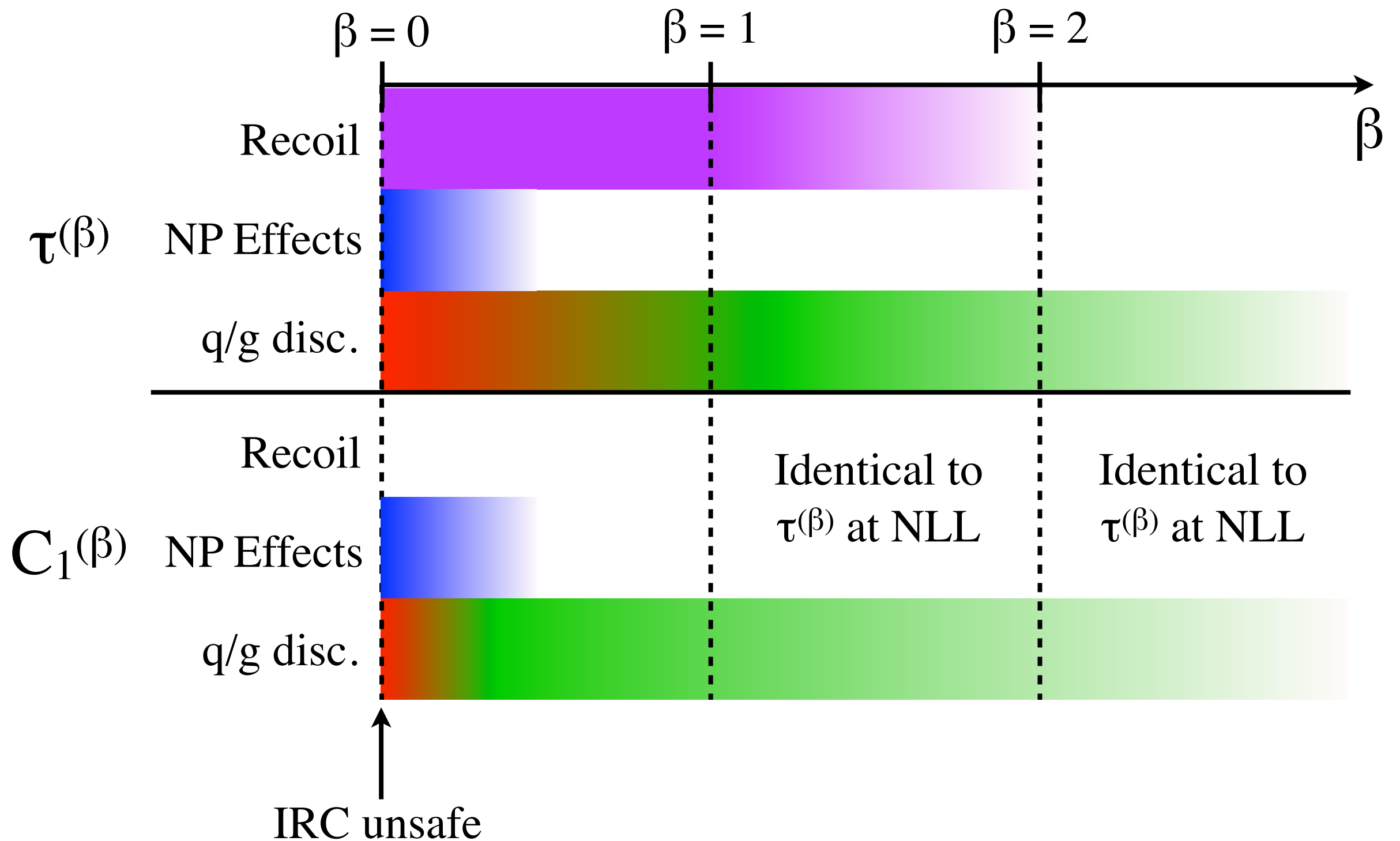
*BOOST 2011 used a W subjet tagger that would artificially improve performance

Conclusions

Energy correlation functions have nice properties:

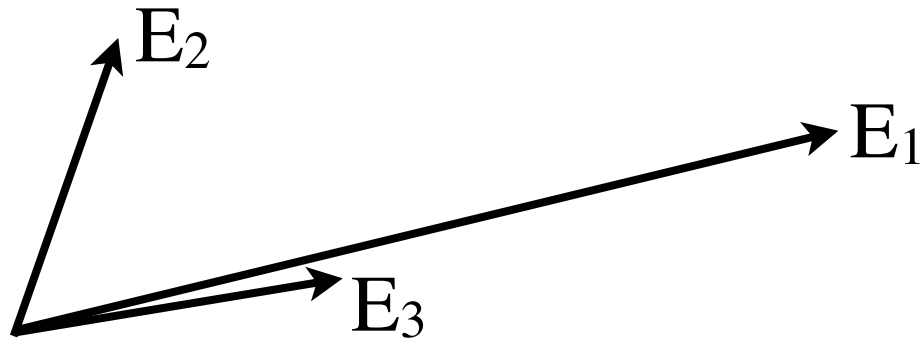
- Sensitive to N subjet structure
- Simple and analytically calculable (for low-point correlators)
- Computing C_2 (C_3 , too?) is promising
- Recoil-free

Lessons: C_1 for quark vs. gluon discrimination



Back-up slides

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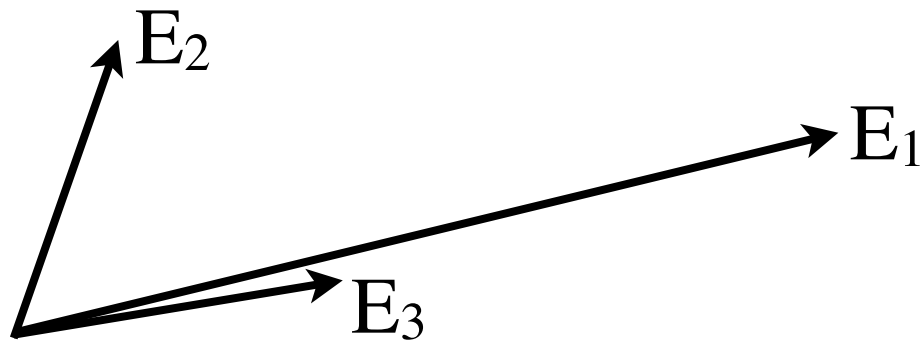
$$\text{ECF}(1, \beta) \simeq E_1$$

$$\text{ECF}(2, \beta) \simeq E_1 \max \left[E_2 (\theta_{12})^\beta, E_3 (\theta_{13})^\beta \right]$$

$$\text{ECF}(3, \beta) = E_1 E_2 E_3 (\theta_{12} \theta_{23} \theta_{13})^\beta$$

$$C_2^{(\beta)} = \frac{\text{ECF}(3, \beta) \text{ECF}(1, \beta)}{\text{ECF}(2, \beta)^2} \simeq \frac{E_2 E_3 (\theta_{12})^{2\beta} (\theta_{13})^\beta}{\max \left[E_2 (\theta_{12})^\beta, E_3 (\theta_{13})^\beta \right]^2}$$

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Choose subject axes to lie along the hardest particle in the subject

$$\tau_1^{(\beta)} \simeq \max \left[E_2 (\theta_{12})^\beta, E_3 (\theta_{13})^\beta \right]$$

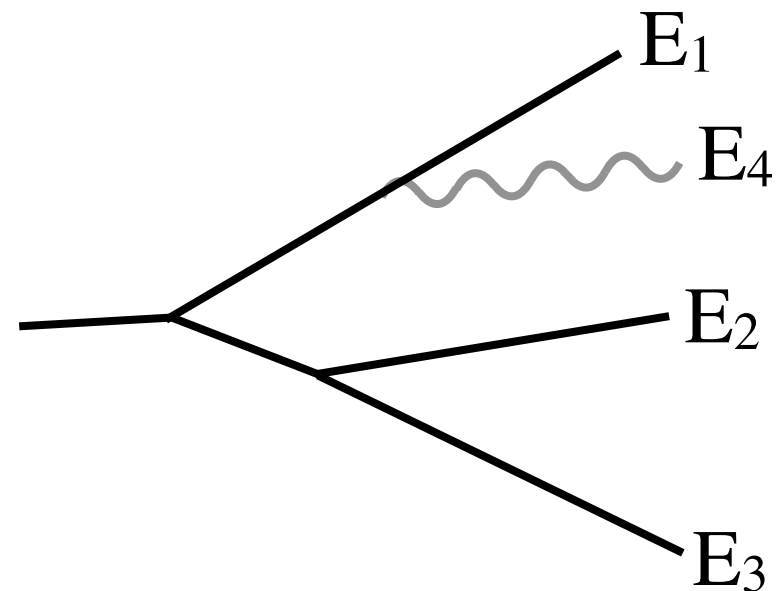
$$\tau_2^{(\beta)} \simeq \min \left[E_2 (\theta_{12})^\beta, E_3 (\theta_{13})^\beta \right]$$

$$\tau_{2,1}^{(\beta)} = \frac{\tau_2^{(\beta)}}{\tau_1^{(\beta)}} \simeq \frac{\min \left[E_2 (\theta_{12})^\beta, E_3 (\theta_{13})^\beta \right]}{\max \left[E_2 (\theta_{12})^\beta, E_3 (\theta_{13})^\beta \right]}$$

On to C_3 for t discrimination

$$C_3^{(\beta)} = \frac{\text{ECF}(4, \beta) \text{ECF}(2, \beta)}{\text{ECF}(3, \beta)^2}$$

Unlike C_1 and C_2 , C_3 retains dependence on hard jet structure even for soft-collinear emission



$$C_3^{(\beta)} \simeq E_4 \theta_{14}^\beta \times \frac{E_1 E_2 \theta_{12}^\beta + E_1 E_3 \theta_{13}^\beta + E_2 E_3 \theta_{23}^\beta}{E_1 E_2 E_3 \theta_{23}^\beta}$$