

Challenges with Highly Boosted Tops at the LHC

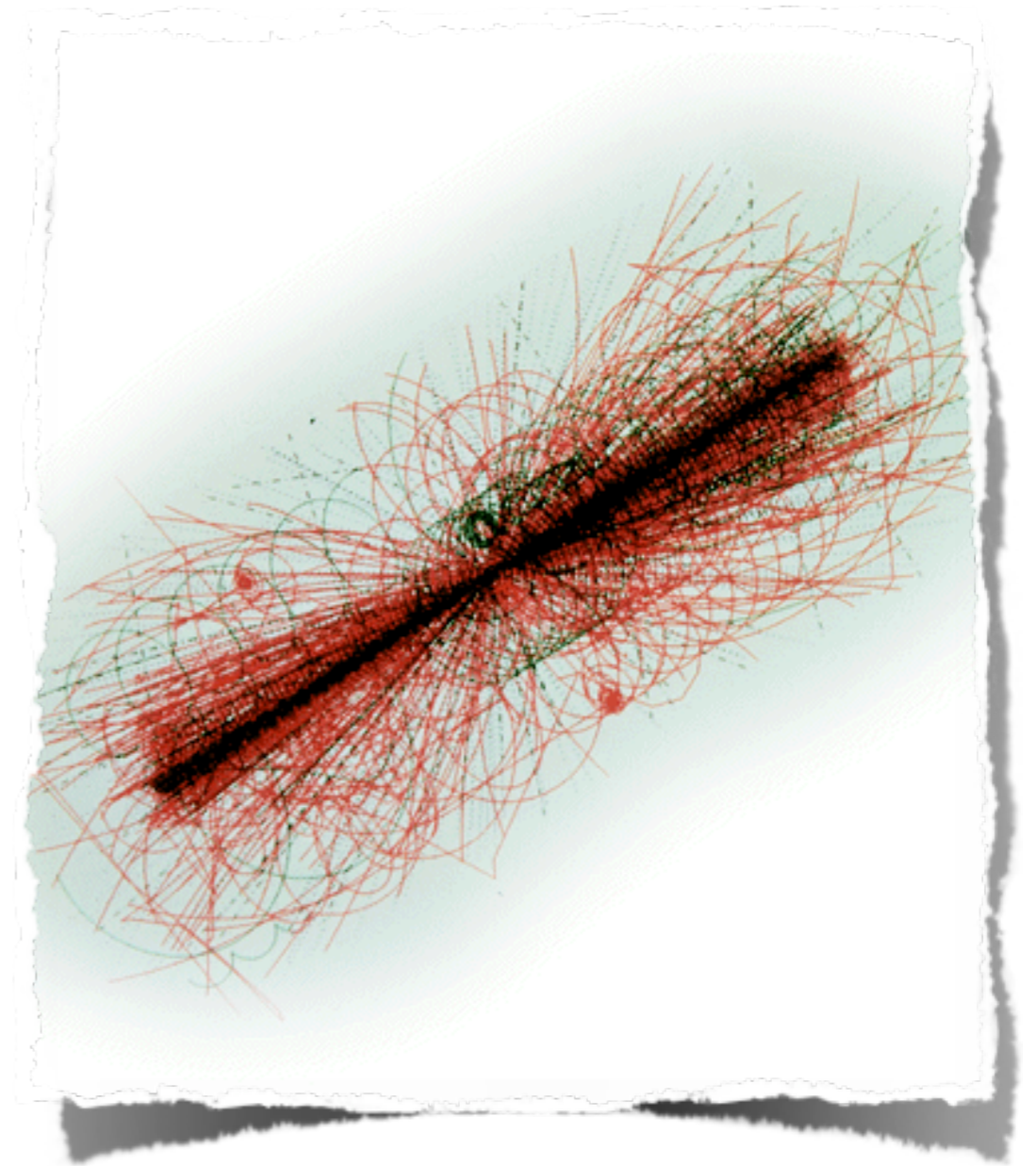
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based on Works in Progress

Outline

- Highly Boosted Tops
- Highly Boosted QCD Jets
- Highly Boosted Top Pair Production
- Top Quark Polarization
- Summary



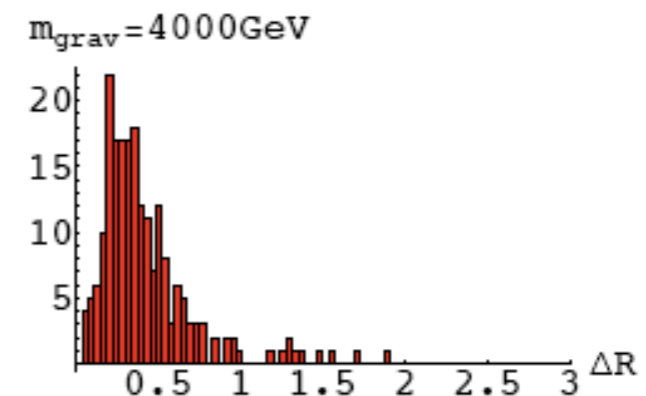
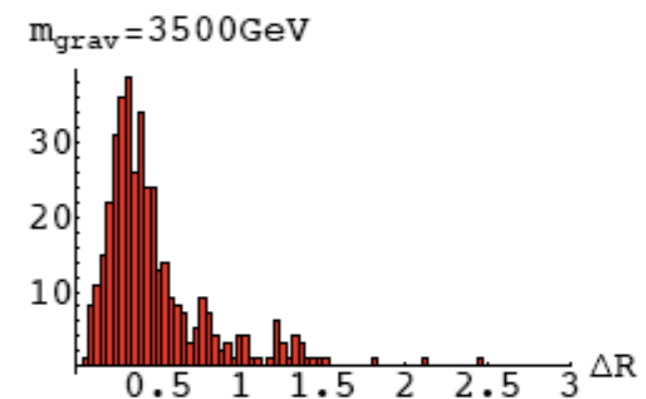
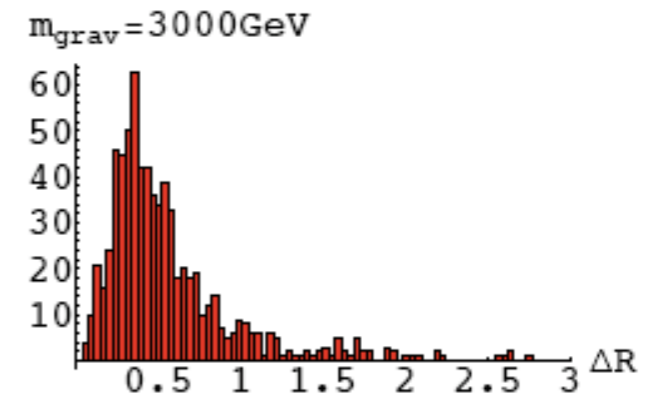
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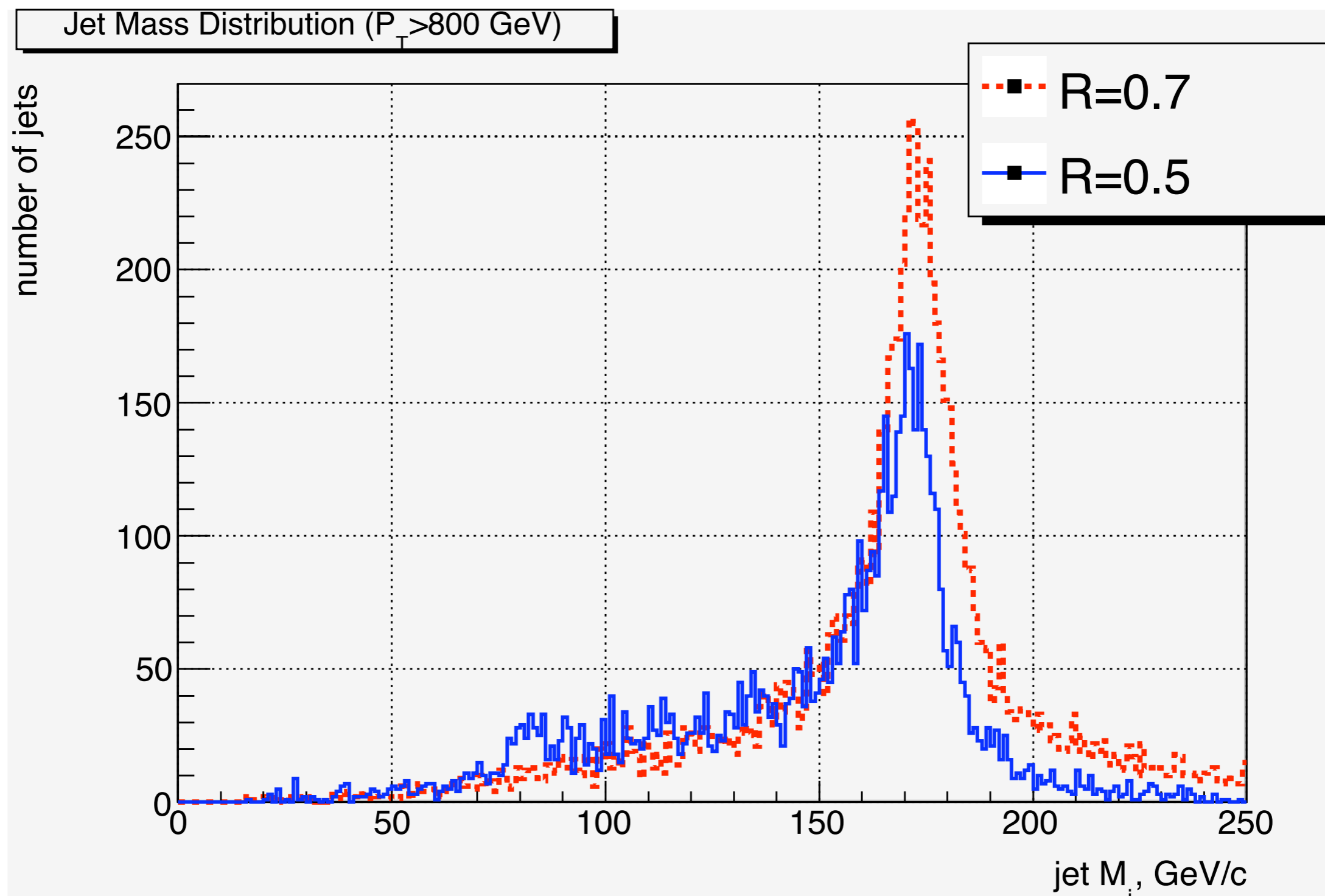
- Interested in highly boosted tops from s-channel decay (for New Physics): $pp \rightarrow X \rightarrow t \bar{t}$ $pp \rightarrow X \rightarrow t Y$
- Focus mostly on the hadronic top (BR = 2/3) $t \rightarrow b W \rightarrow b j j$
- **Challenges:** decay products of highly boosted top will be **highly collimated** (high P_T = small ΔR): $\Delta R \sim 2 m_t / P_T$
 - For $\Delta R < R_{\min} \sim 0.4$, cannot distinguish individual jets
(hadronic calorimeter cell size : $\Delta \eta \times \Delta \phi \sim 0.1 \times 0.1$)

Highly Boosted Tops

- ΔR decreases as p_T increases
- For Small ΔR :
 - Usual criteria for top-tagging no longer work!
(reconstructing W, then obtaining top)
 - Can we use a single Jet Mass to identify top?

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Highly boosted hadronic
top quarks

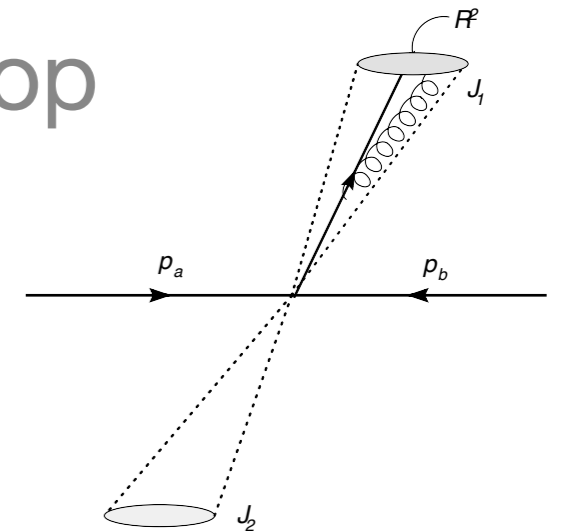
MC generation

Highly Boosted Top Quarks

- b-tagging efficiency for highly boosted tops is wired (small $\sim 20\%$)
 - L. March, E. Ros, B. Salvachúa
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- top quark radiation is another problem for top-jet mass distribution
 - not implemented in LO MC tools
 - order one effect $\sim \alpha_s \log^2\left(\frac{P_T}{m_T}\right)$
- Jet-broadening at the detector level is also important
- Choosing an optimal cone size can be biased for parity-violating top production: (see later)

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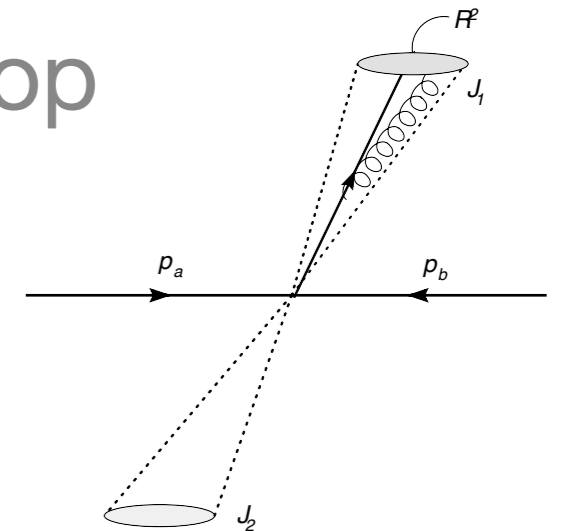


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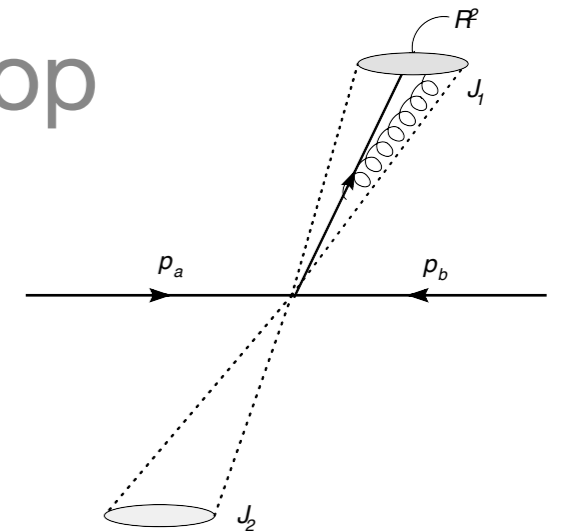


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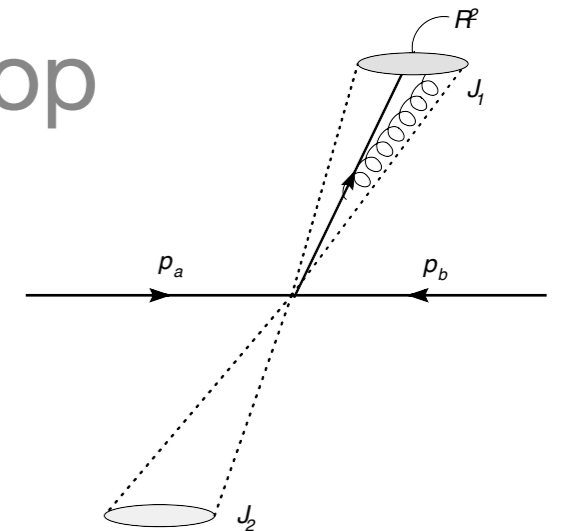


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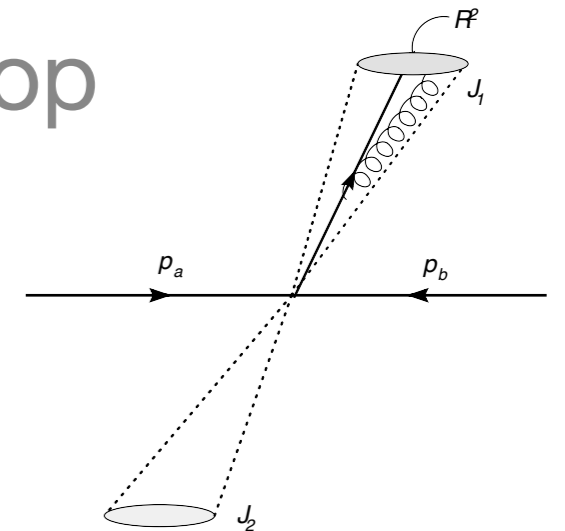


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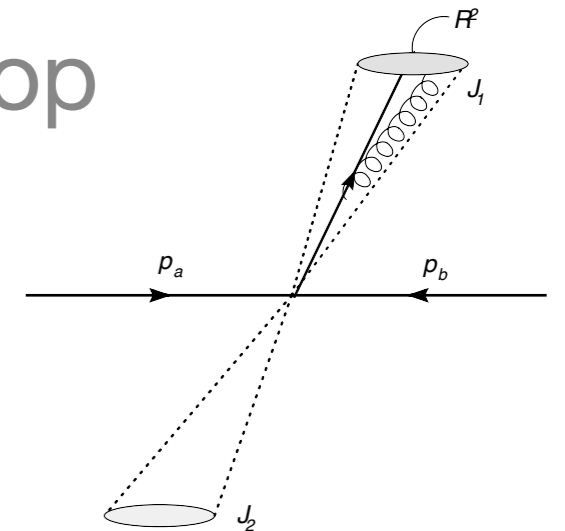


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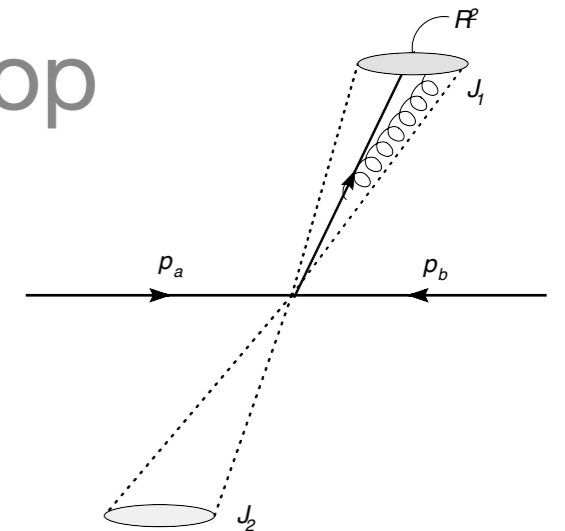
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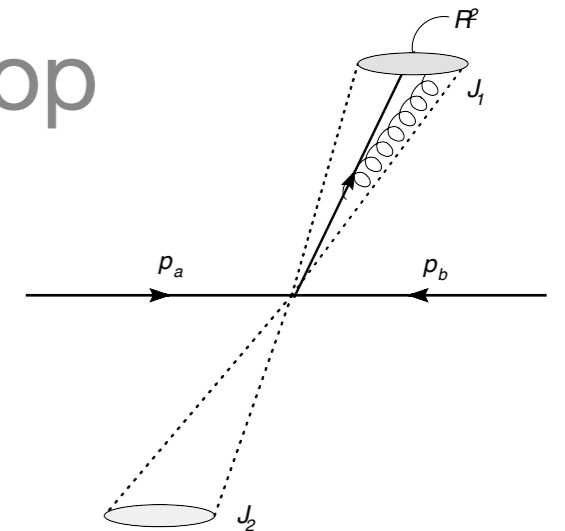


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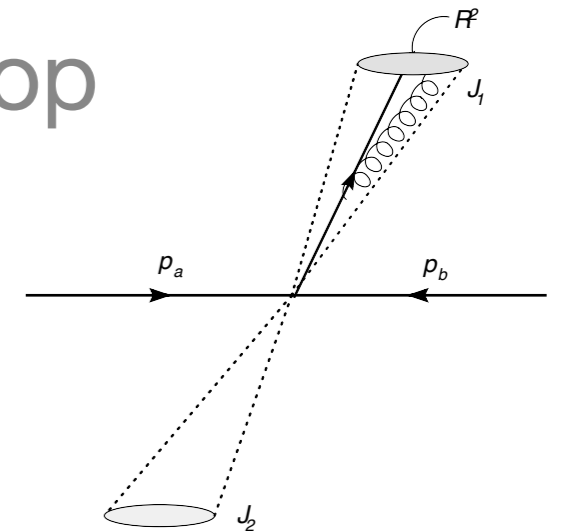


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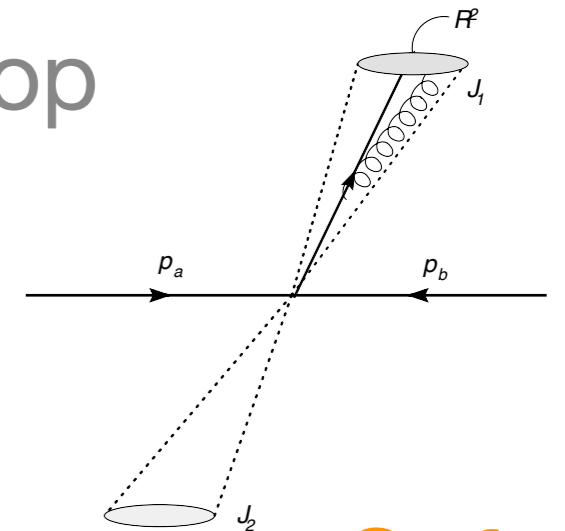


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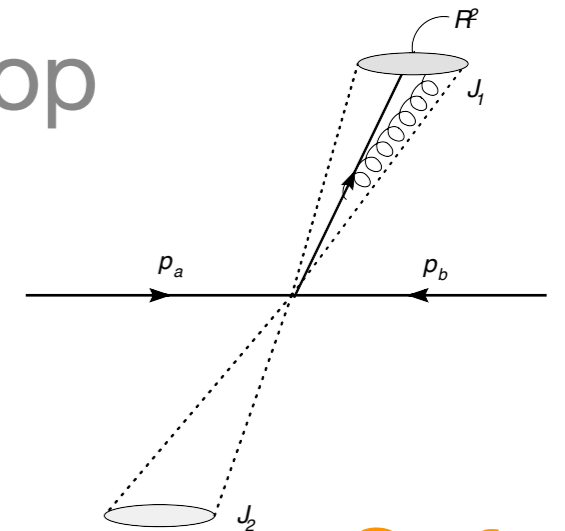


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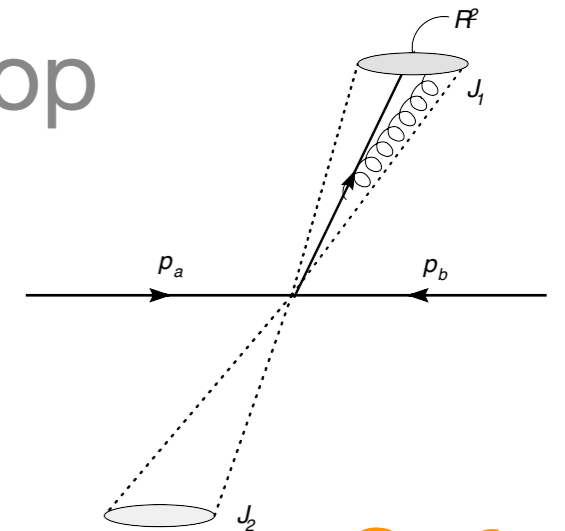
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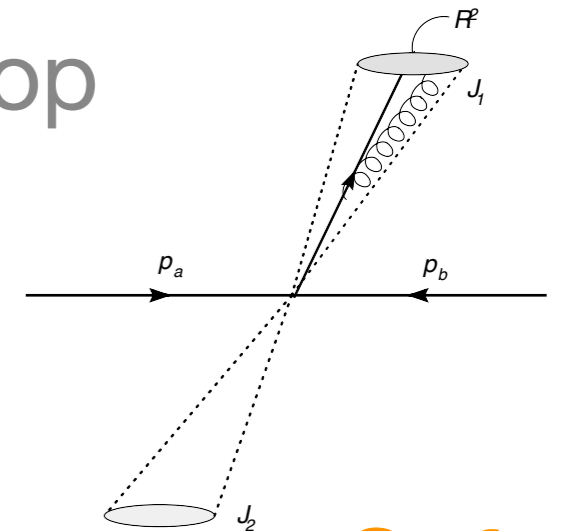
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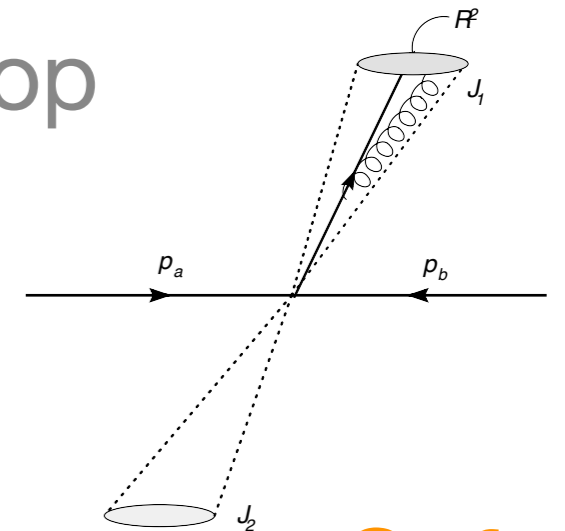
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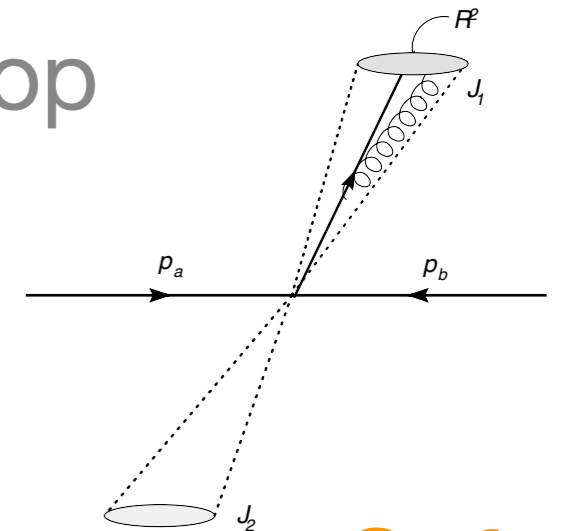
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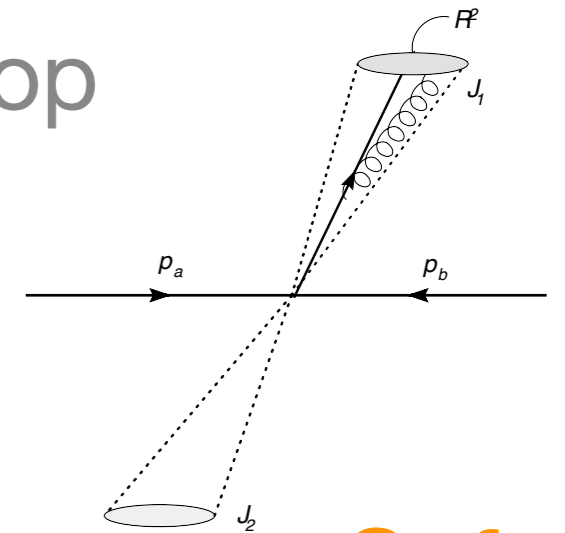
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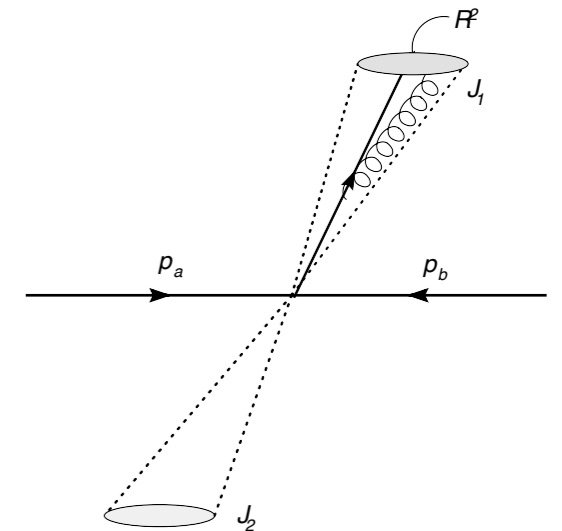
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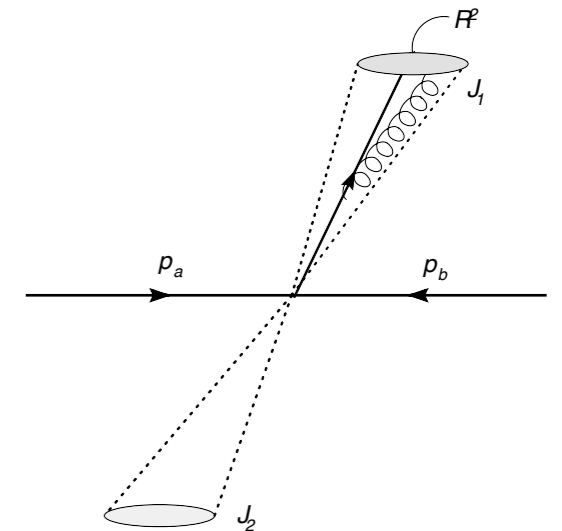
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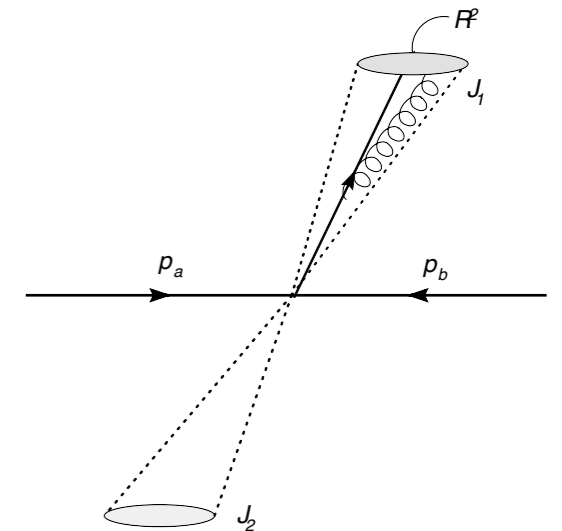
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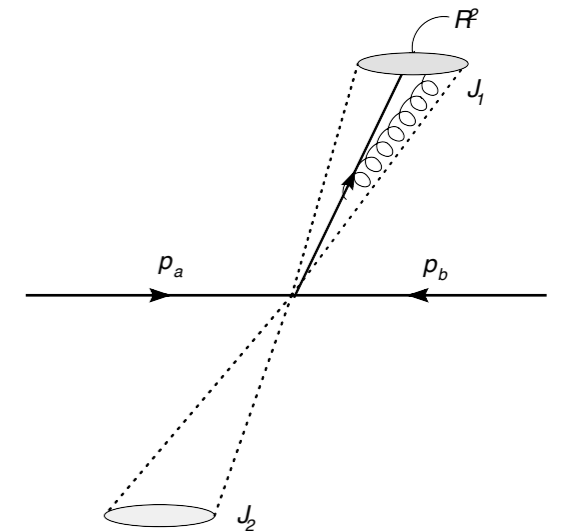
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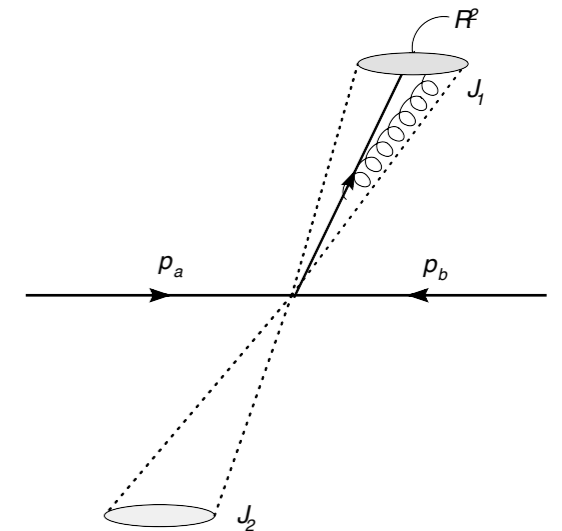
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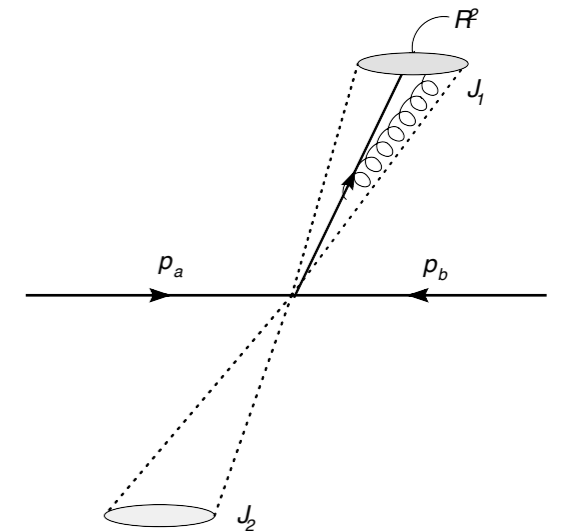
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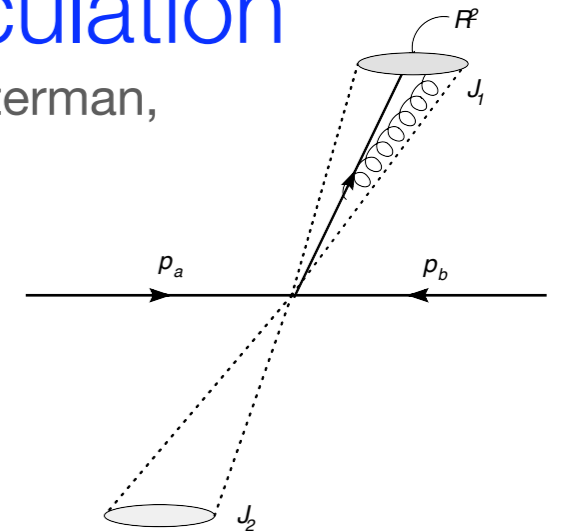
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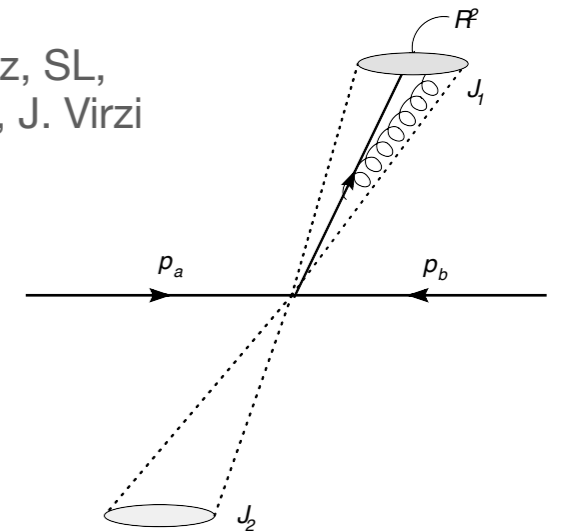
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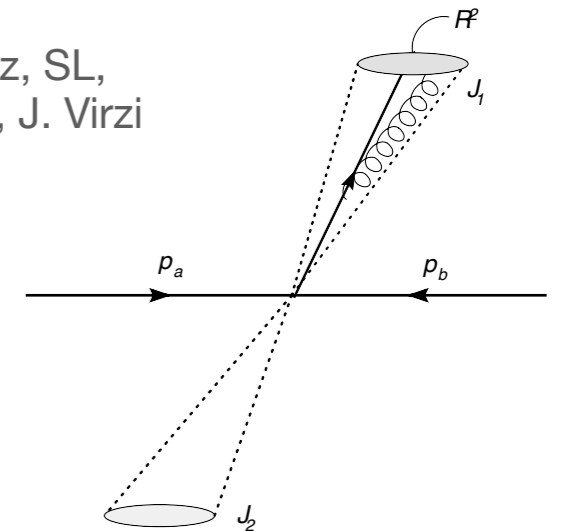


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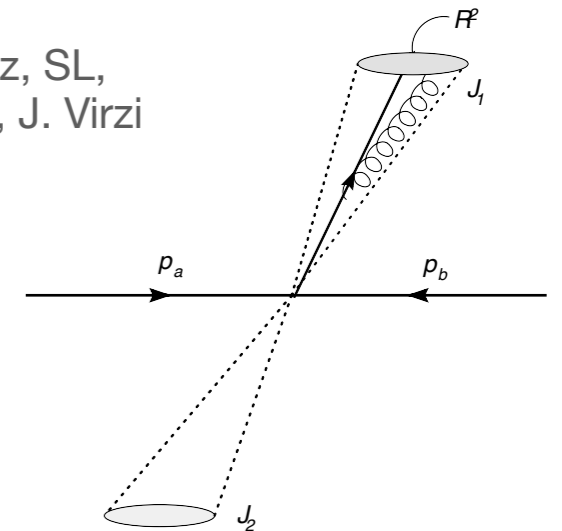


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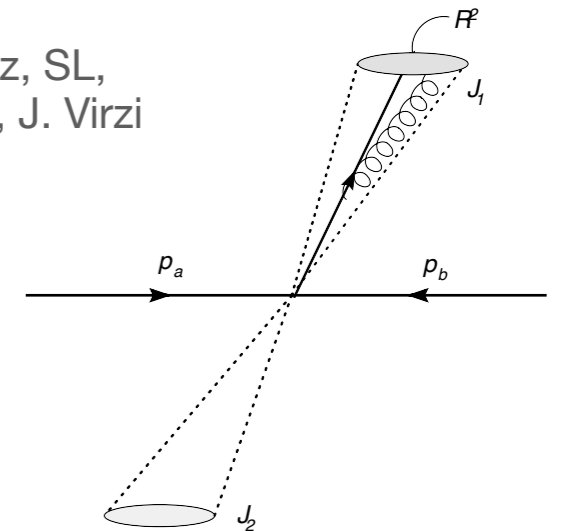


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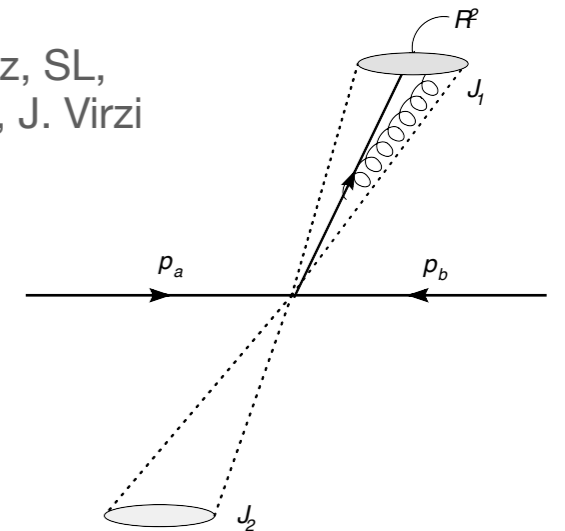
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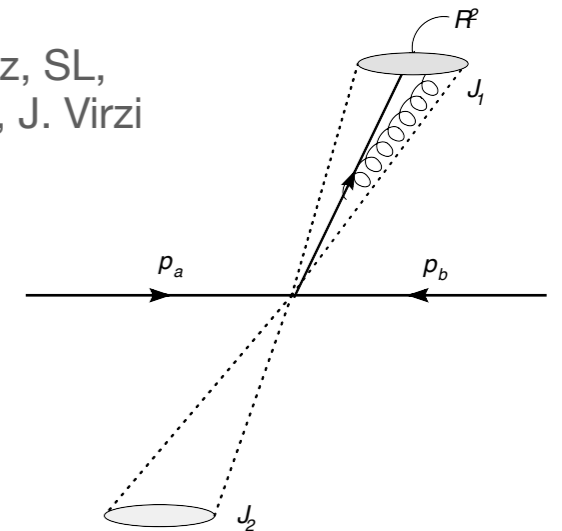
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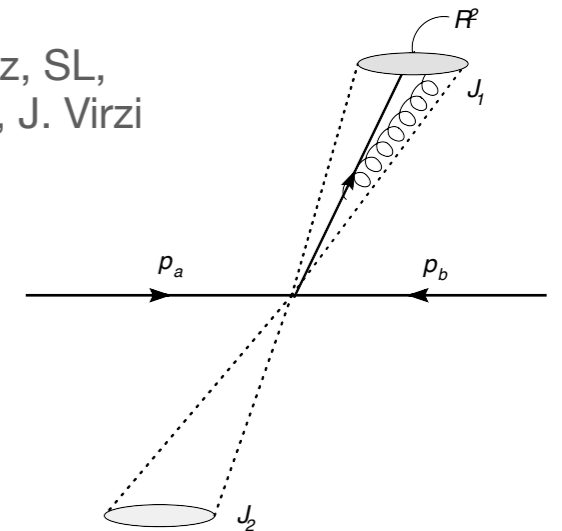


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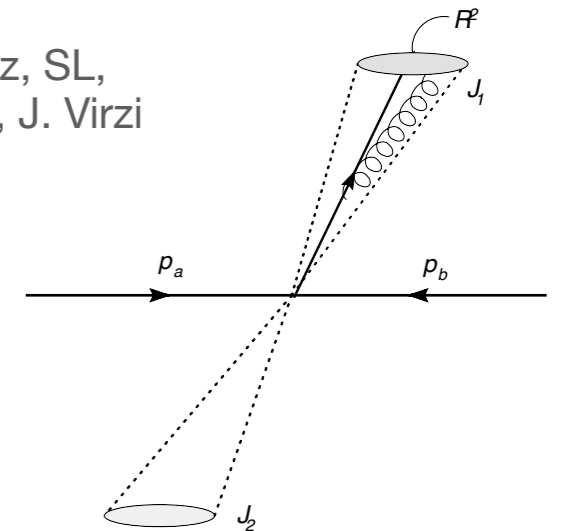


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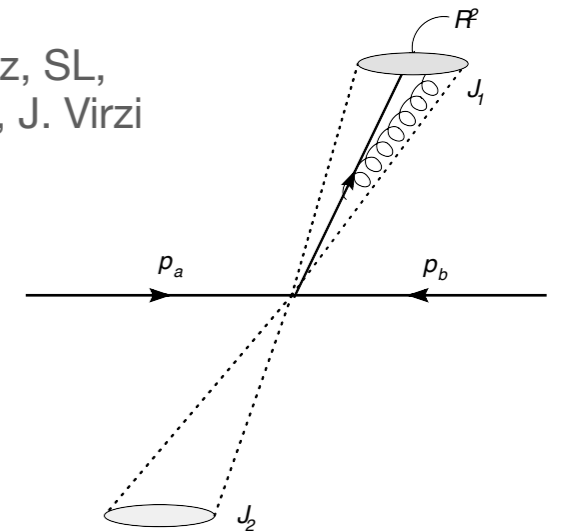


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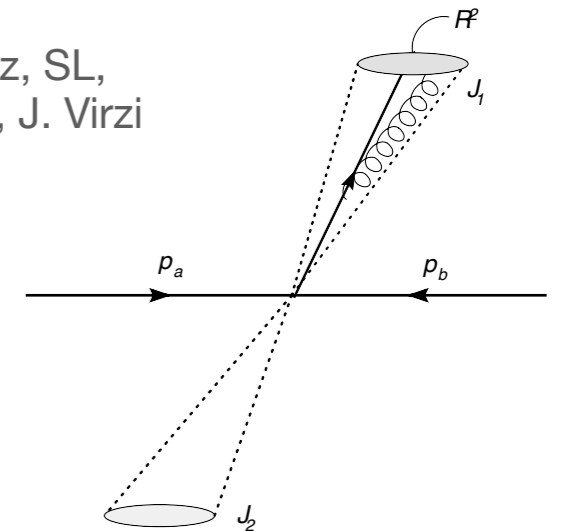
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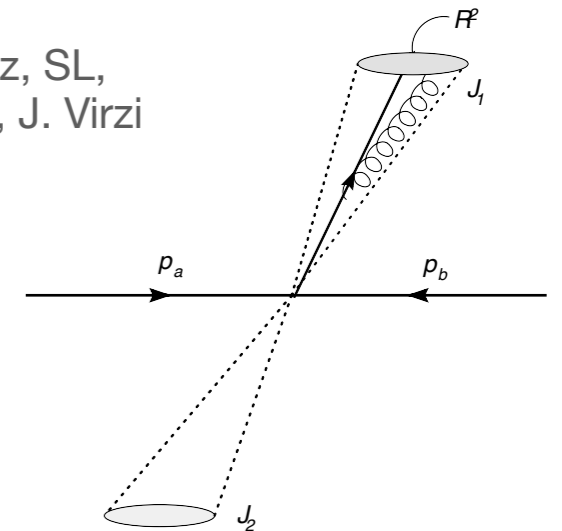
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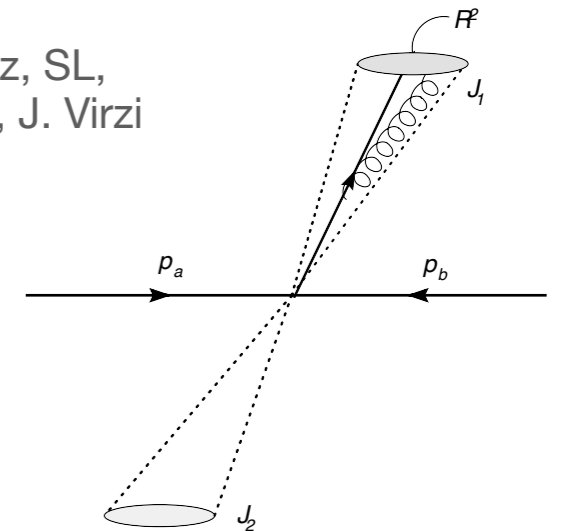
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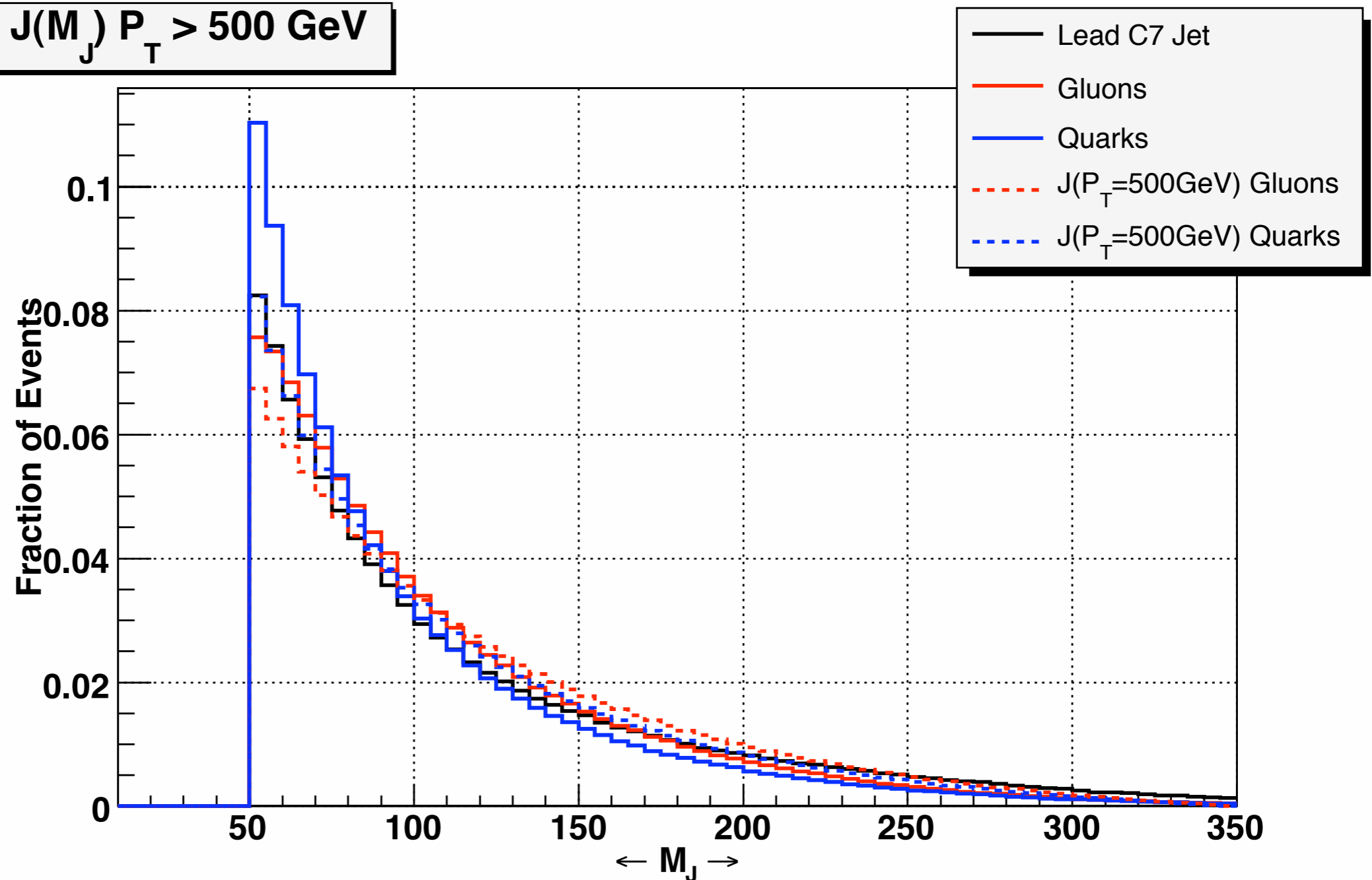
- Note that at low order, jet function has no dependency on pseudo-rapidity

Highly Boosted QCD Jets

- With a Mass Cut (50 GeV)

Sherpa (CKKW)
Without Detector
Simulation

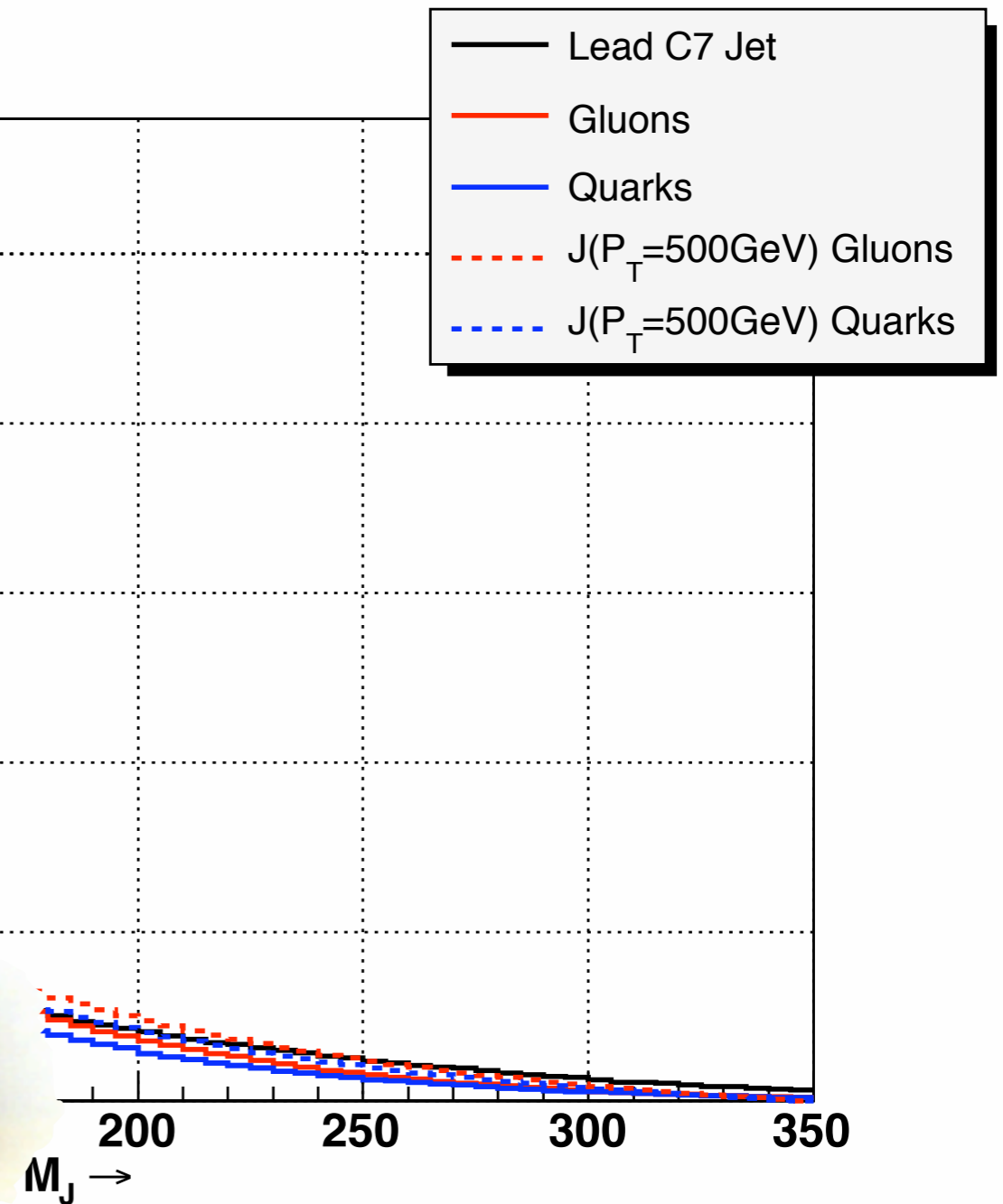
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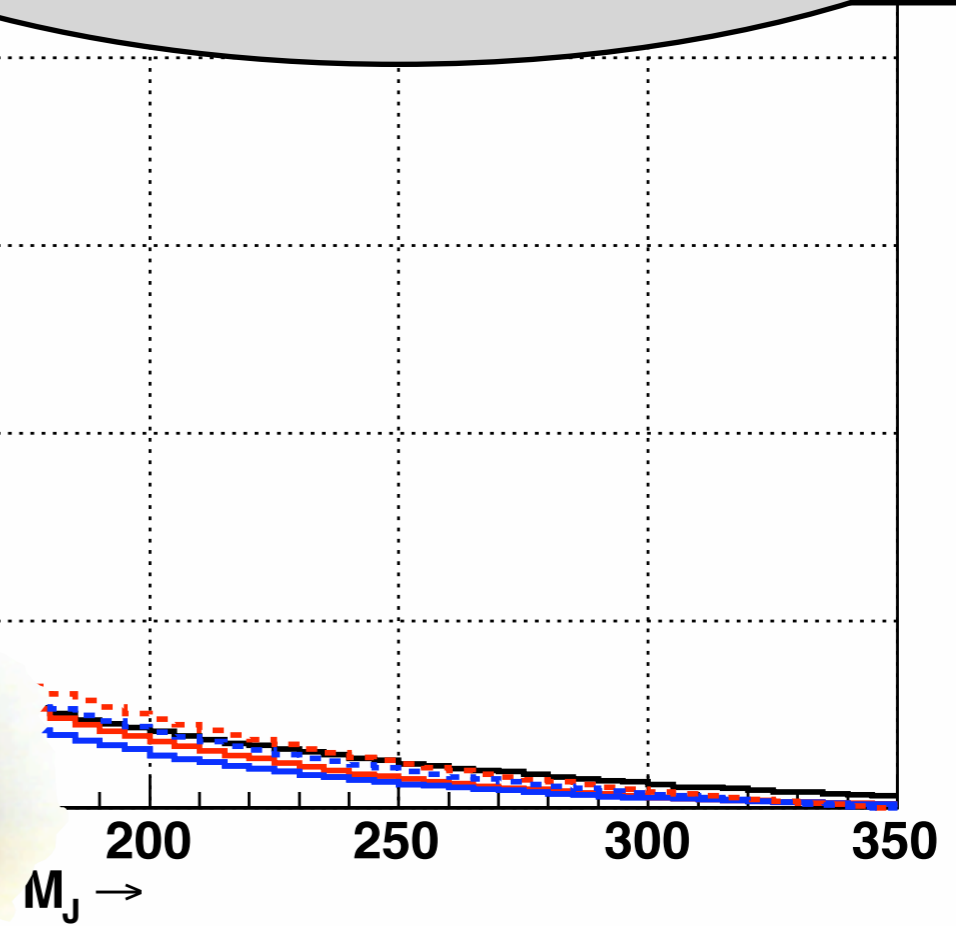
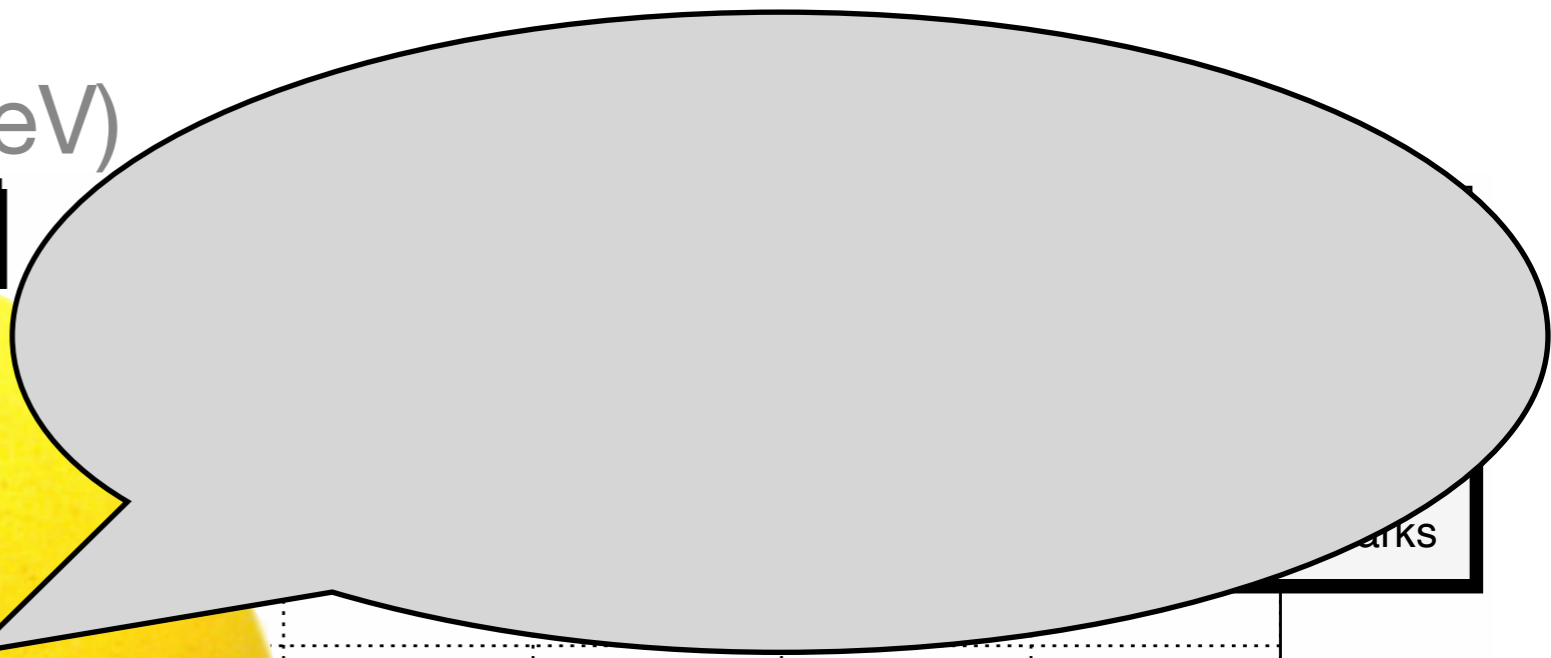
Sherpa (CKK) $\sqrt{s} = 500 \text{ GeV}$
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- With a Mass Cut (50 GeV)

Sherpa (CKK) 50 GeV
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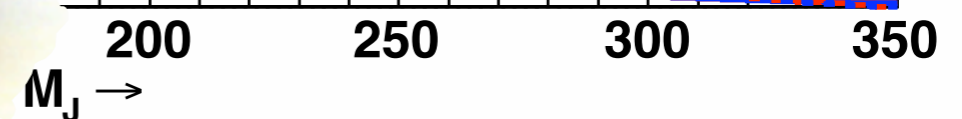
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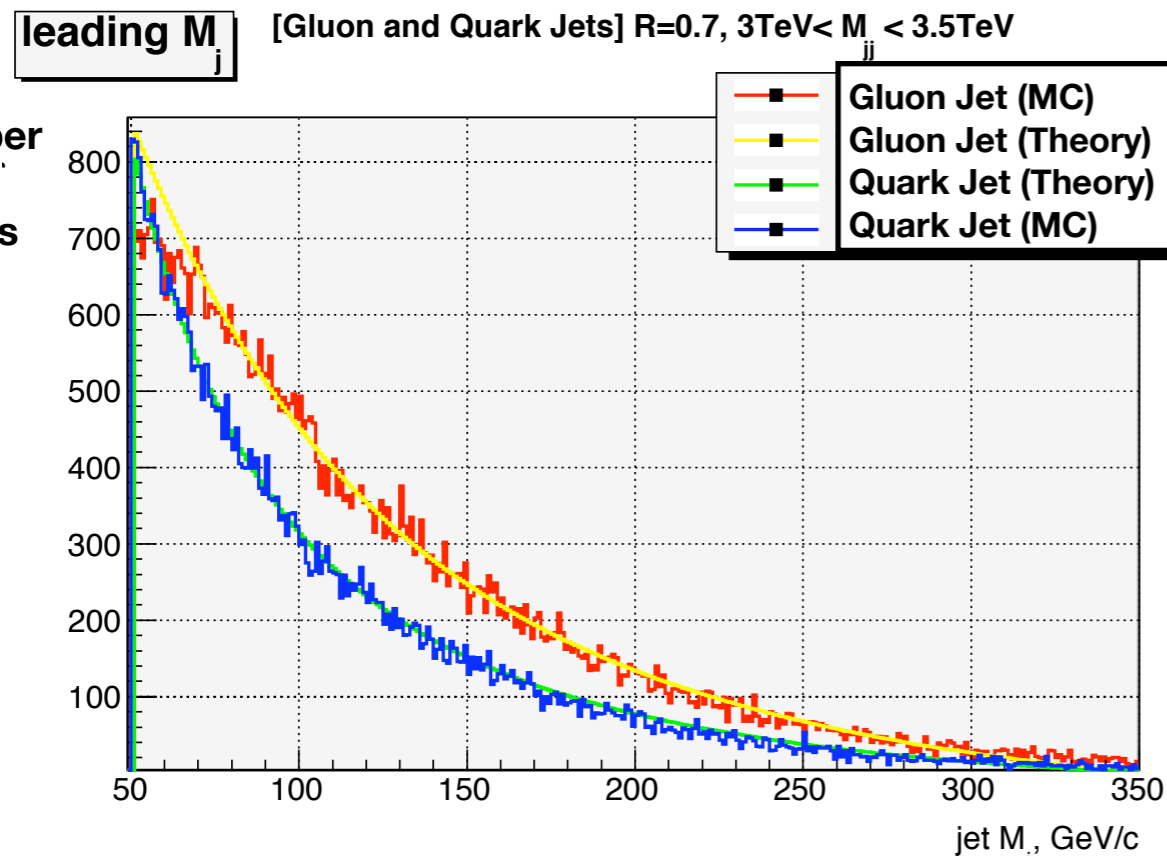
→ Simple perturbation theory captures the main feature of jet mass distribution for large m_j !



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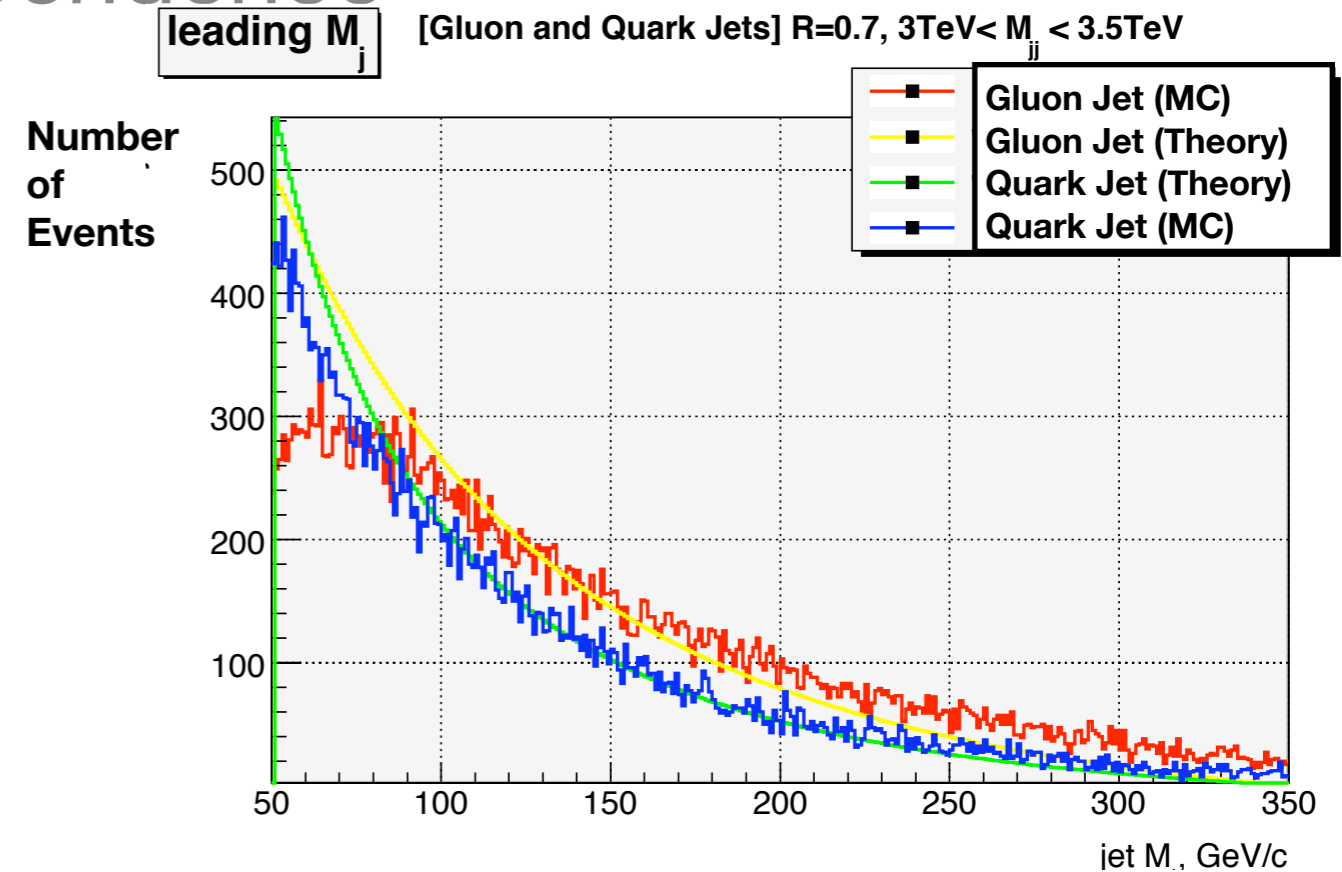
MadGraph => pythia => pgs
(MLM)

- For Jet mass distribution, **pseudo-rapidity** dependence is **negligible**
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$P_T > 1000$ GeV, $0.5 < \eta < 1.0$



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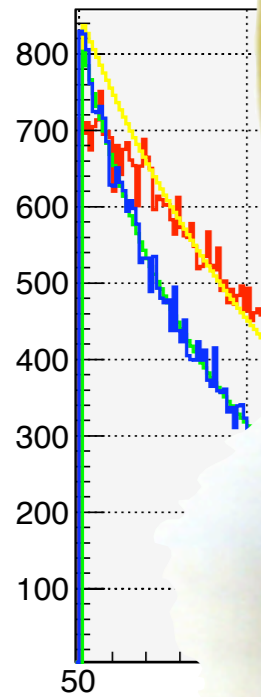
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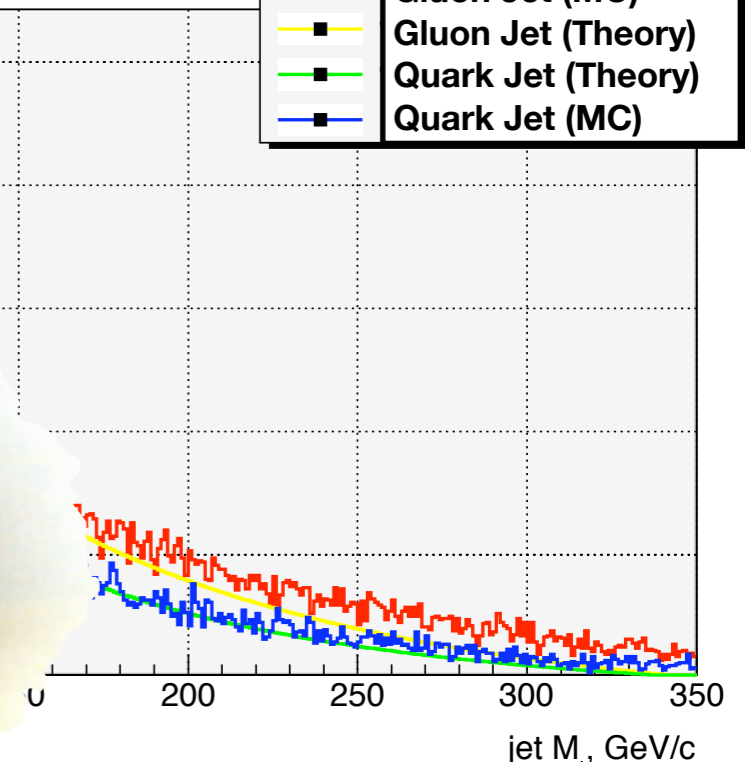
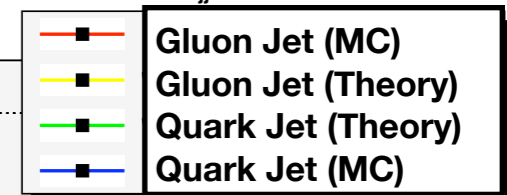
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leading M_j [GeV]

Number of Events



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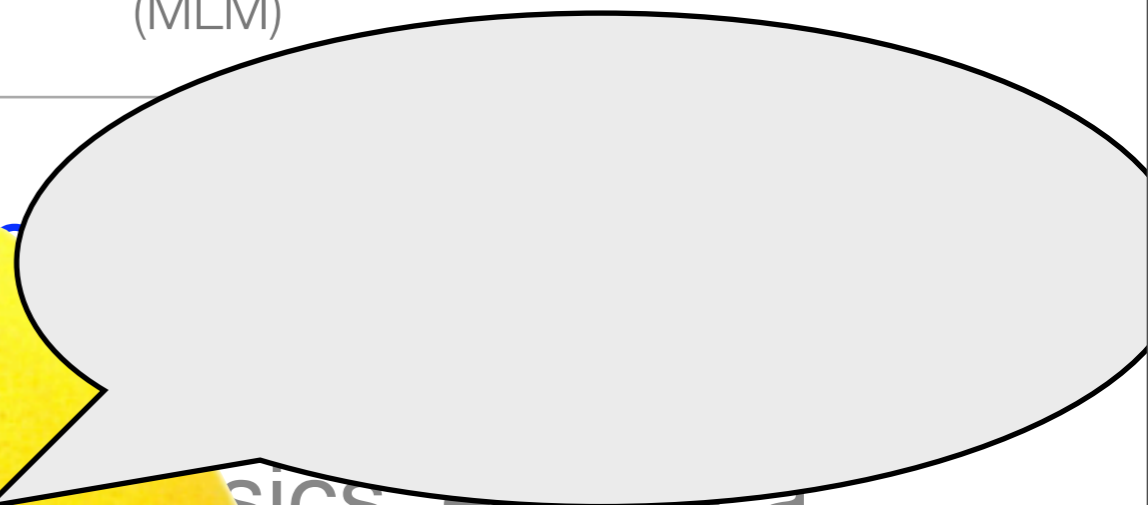
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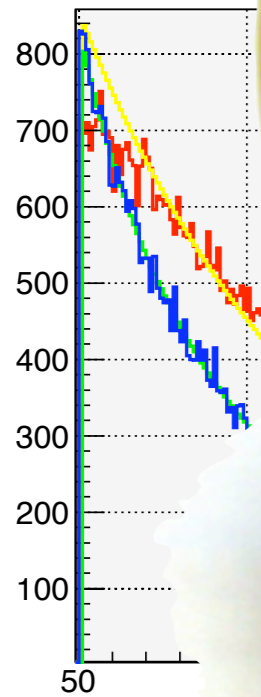
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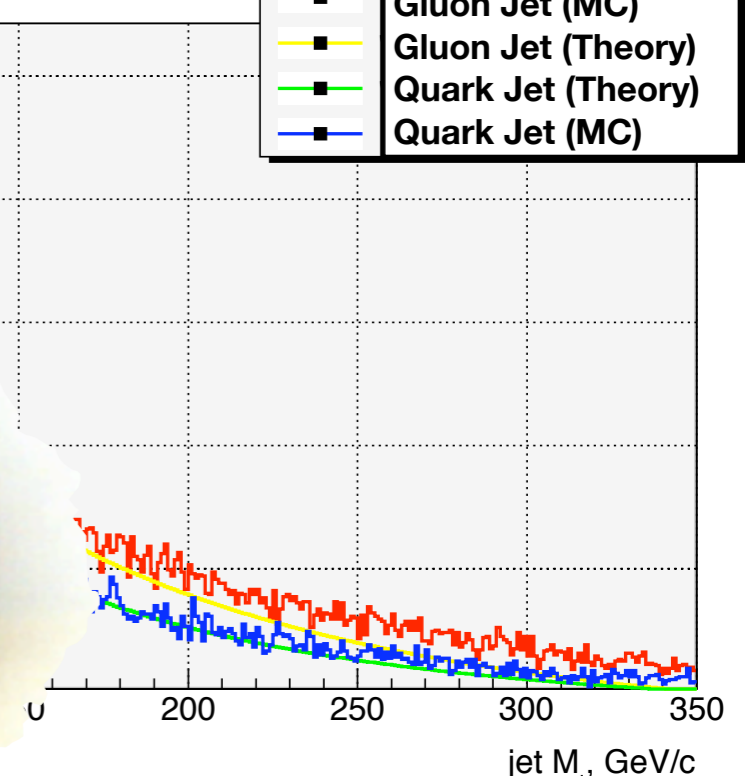
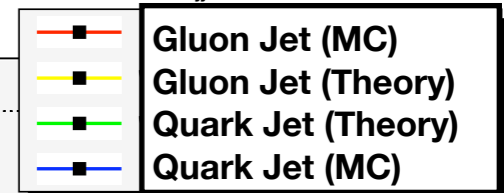


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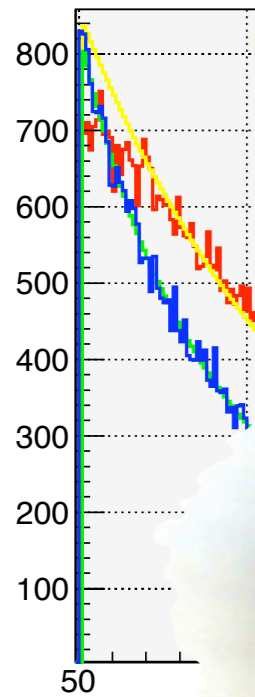
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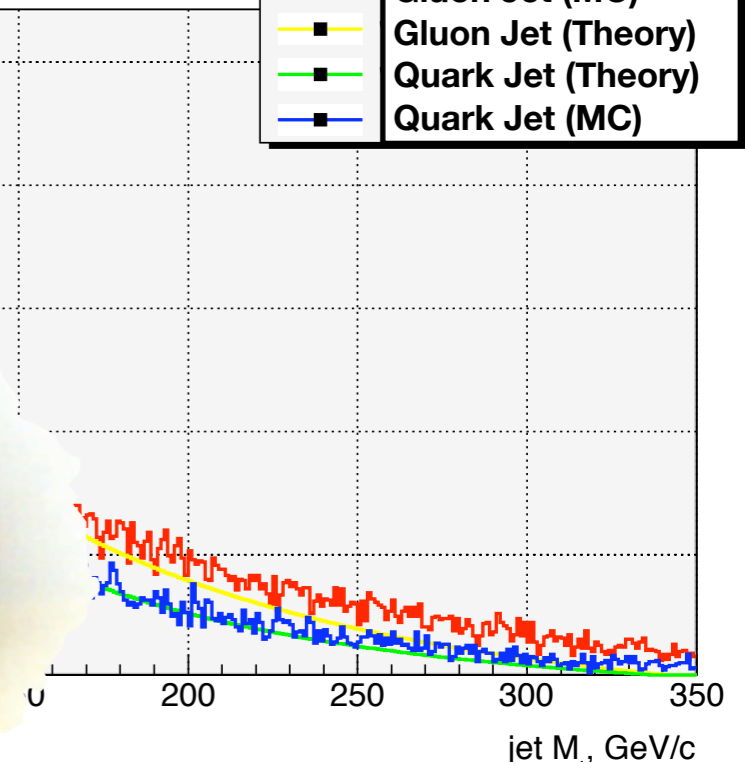
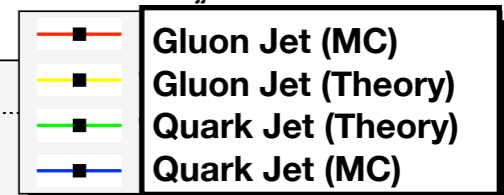
Powerful Check for new physics!

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Highly Boosted Top Pair Production

- Important discovery channel for new physics:

$$pp \rightarrow X \rightarrow t\bar{t}$$

- Focus on all-hadronic mode ($\sim 40\%$):

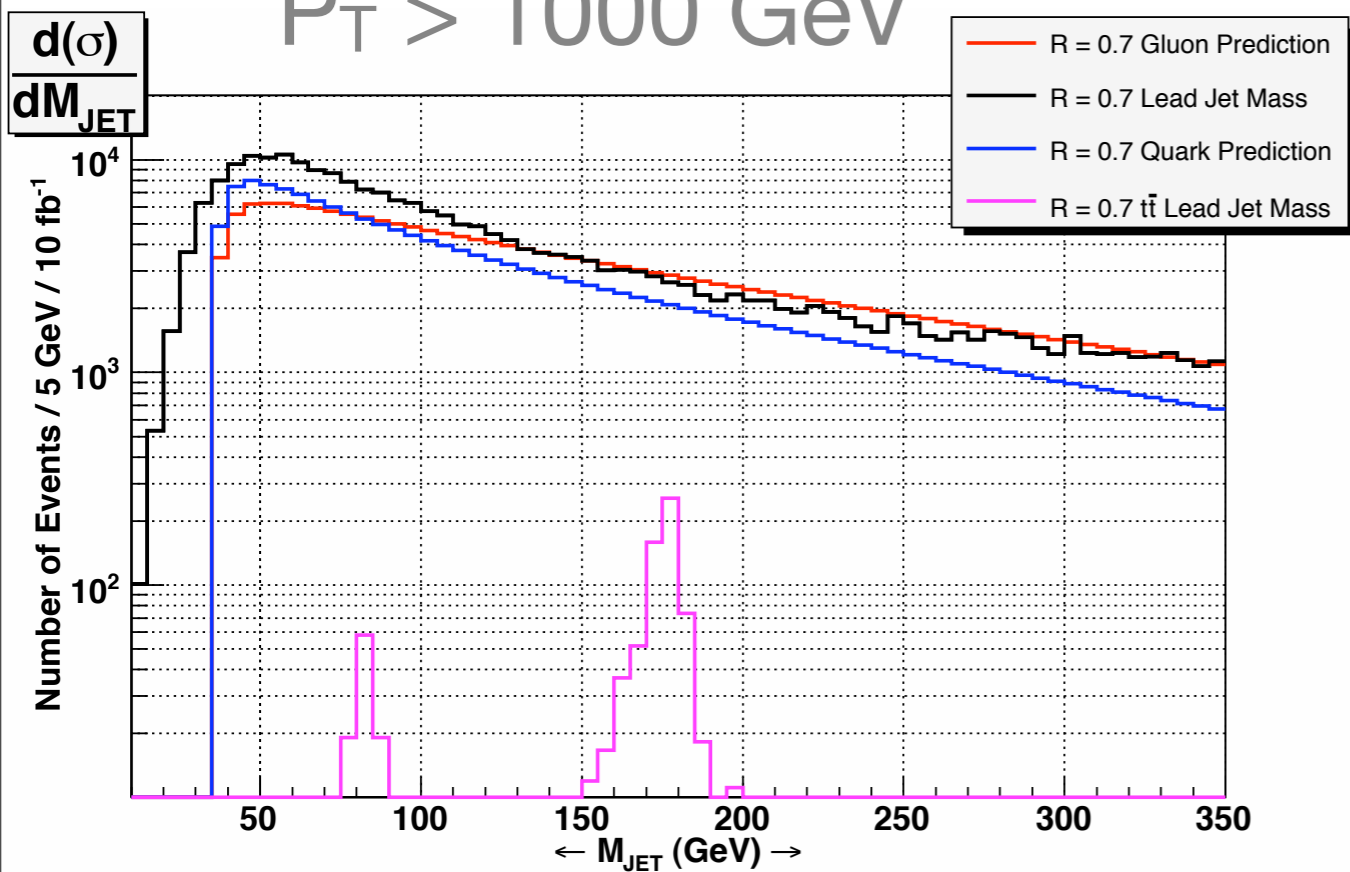
$$t\bar{t} \rightarrow WWb\bar{b} \rightarrow j_1j_2j_3j_4b\bar{b}$$

- Decay products are highly collimated
- Examine top-tagging by single jet mass
- Dominant background is the QCD dijet

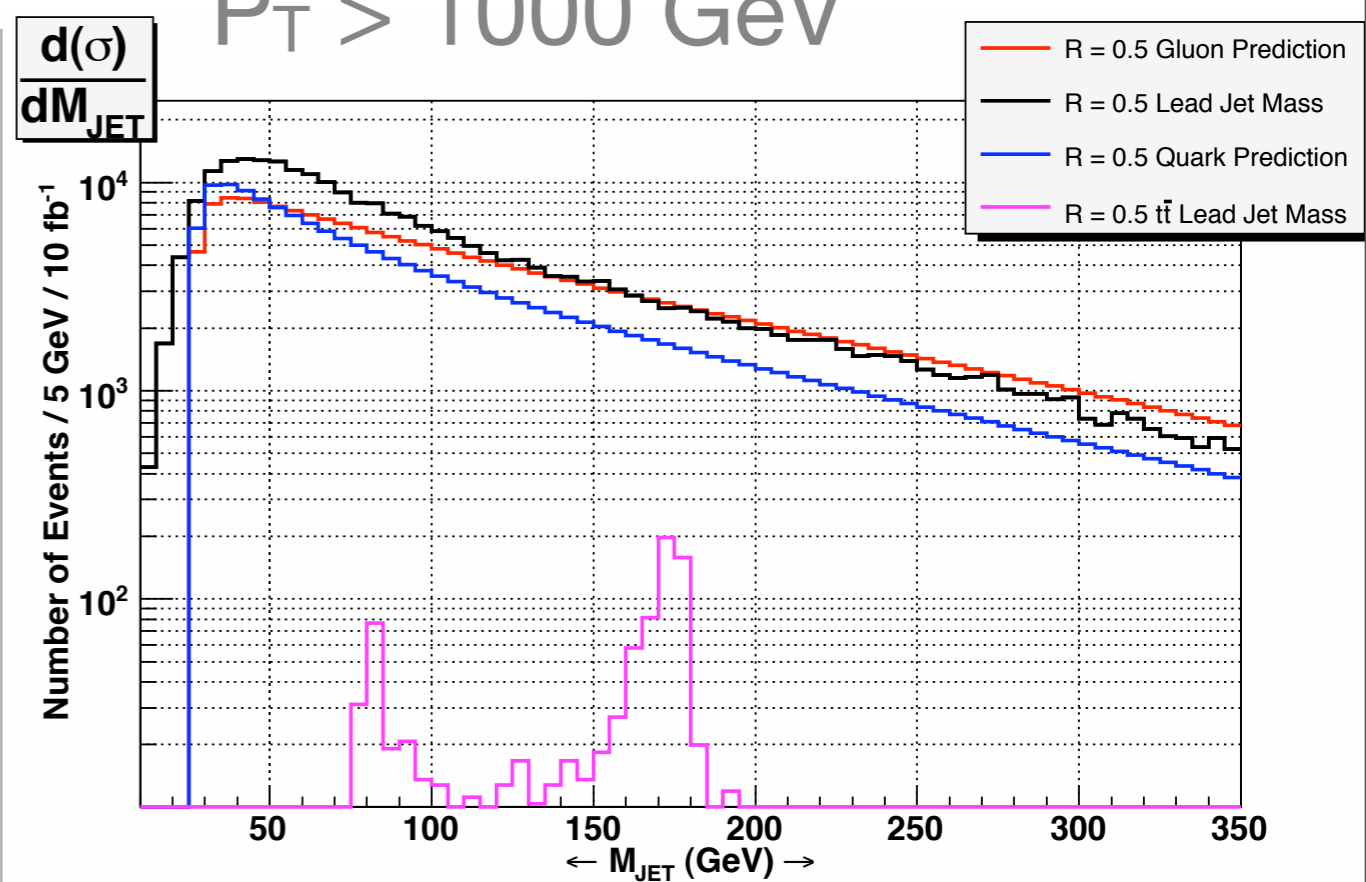
Without Detector Simulation

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 $P_T > 1000$ GeV



- Signal(SM top) to background(QCD jet) ratio, before b-tagging: $S/B \sim 1/65$
- One b-tagging is not enough: Need two to get $S/B \sim 6$ (with b-tagging efficiency $\sim 20\%$ and fake-b-tagging rate $\sim 1\%$)

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Highly Boosted top quark pair against QCD dijet

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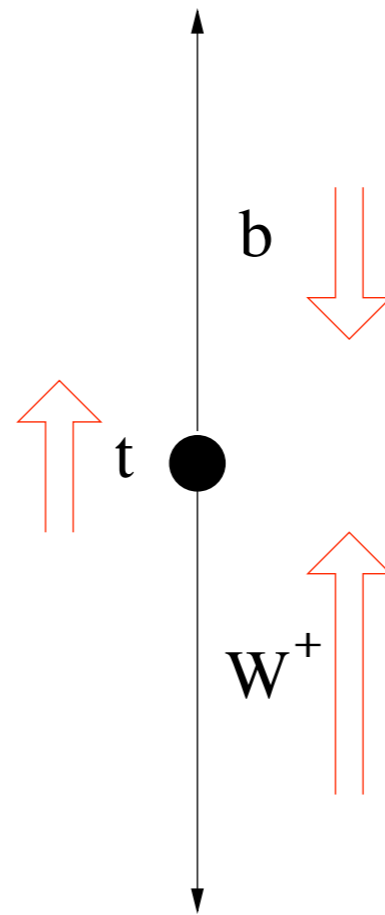
- Uncertainties for the highly boosted tops:
 - for highly boosted top jet: b-tagging efficiency is wired (~20%)
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 - fake-b-tagging (~1%) for the QCD jet
 - top quark radiation effect
 - jet broadening (detector level)
 - PDF uncertainties
- Study of substructure of top and QCD jet can help distinguish top from QCD jet
J.M. Butterworth, B.E. Cox, J.R. Forshaw

Top Polarization

- Daughter particles remember top polarization
- For ultra-relativistic top: **helicity**=**chirality**
 - Can do polarization analysis like it was done for the tau
 - A powerful method already mentioned in Gilad's talk
- We want to use P_T to probe top polarization: P_T is a directly measured quantity (c.f. For polarization method, need to use derived quantities with biases, like center of mass boost etc.)
 - Different from spin-spin correlation where you expand in s wave (for non-relativistic top)

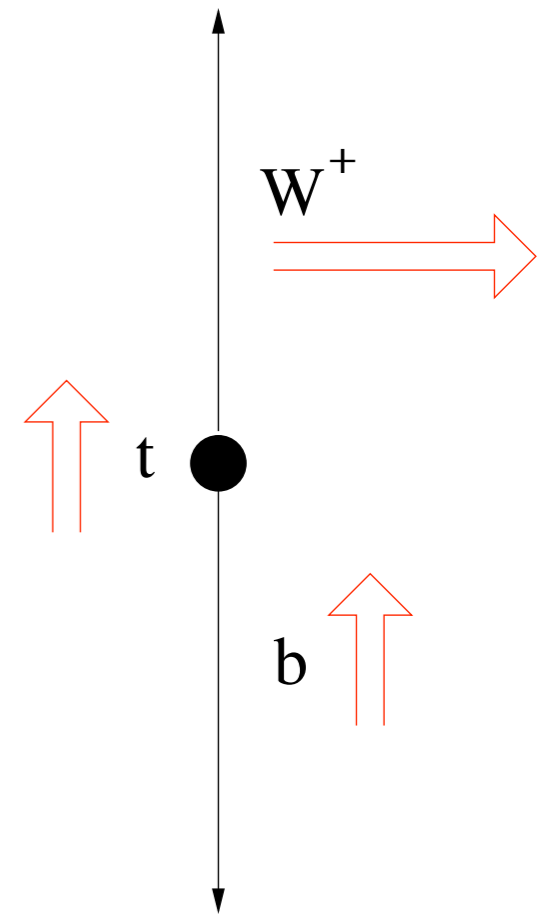
Top Polarization

~30%



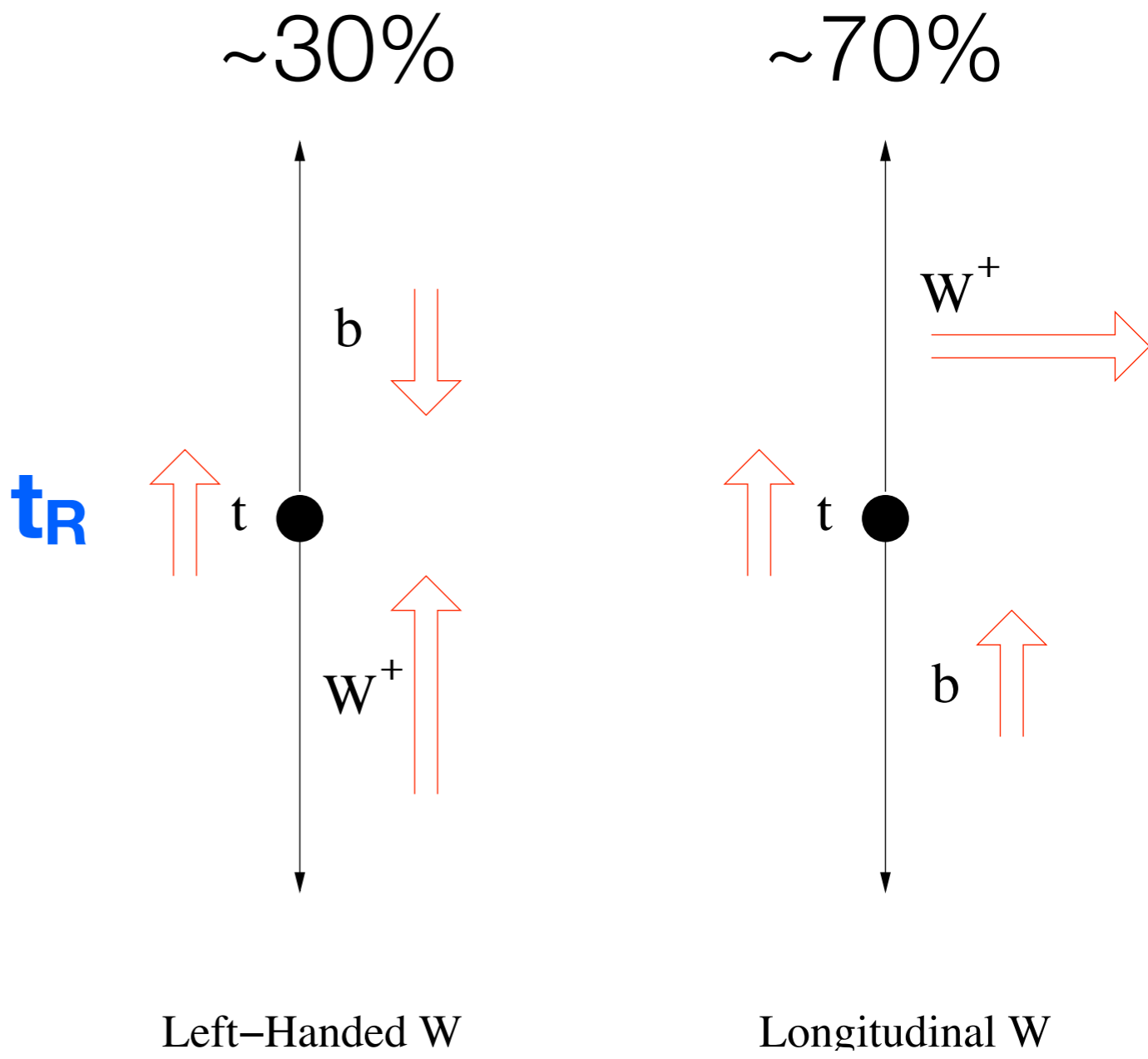
Left-Handed W

~70%

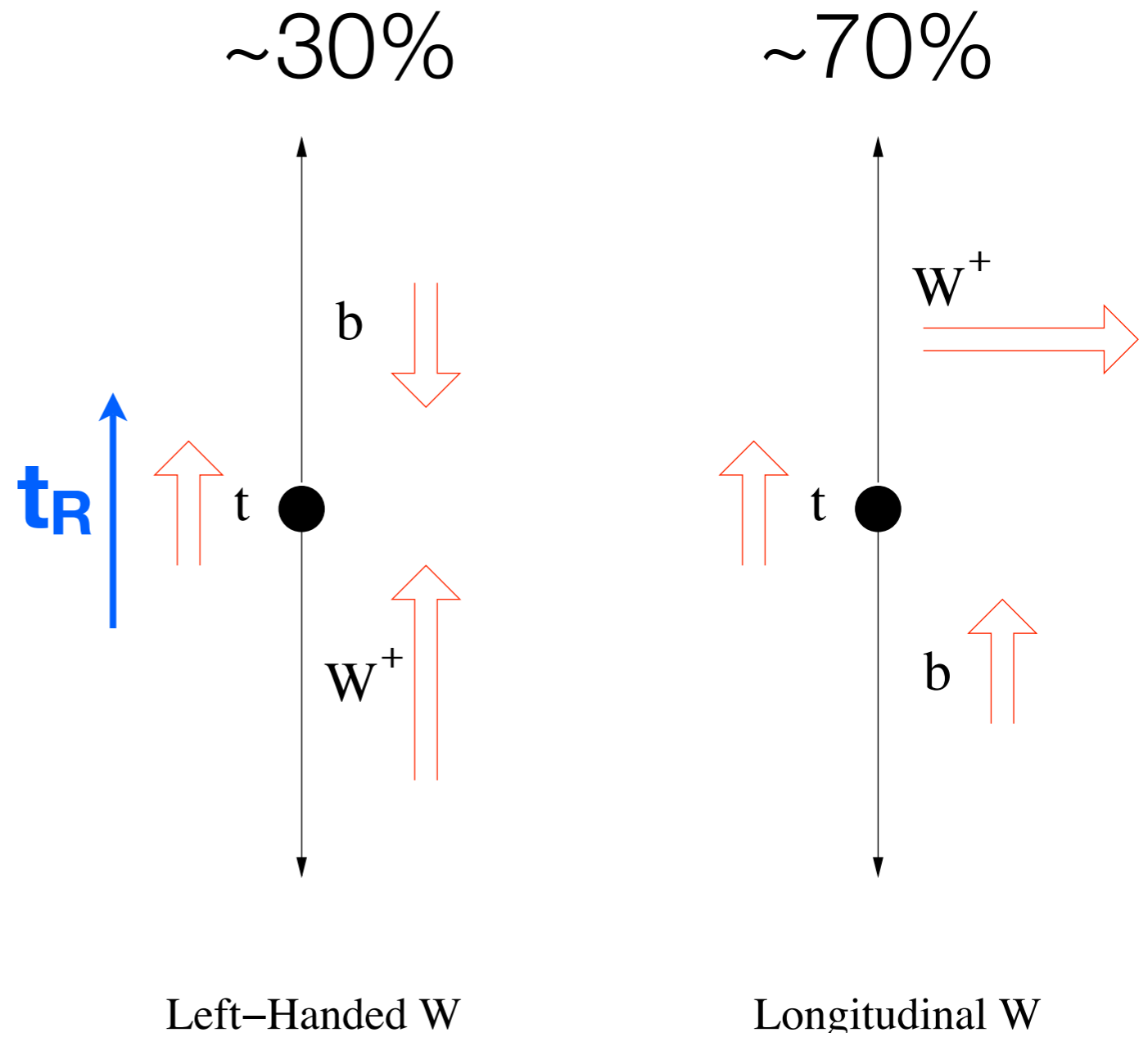


Longitudinal W

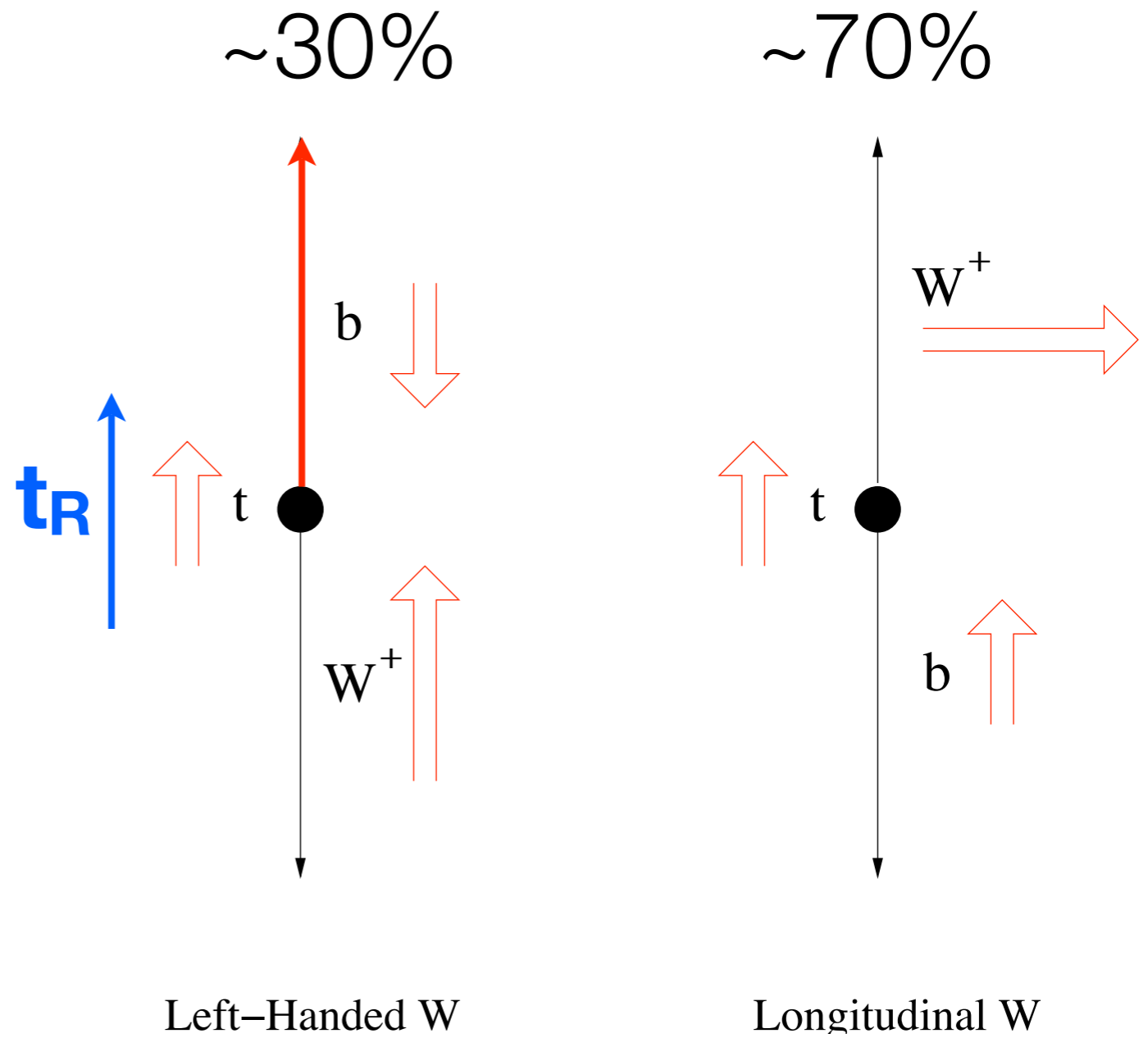
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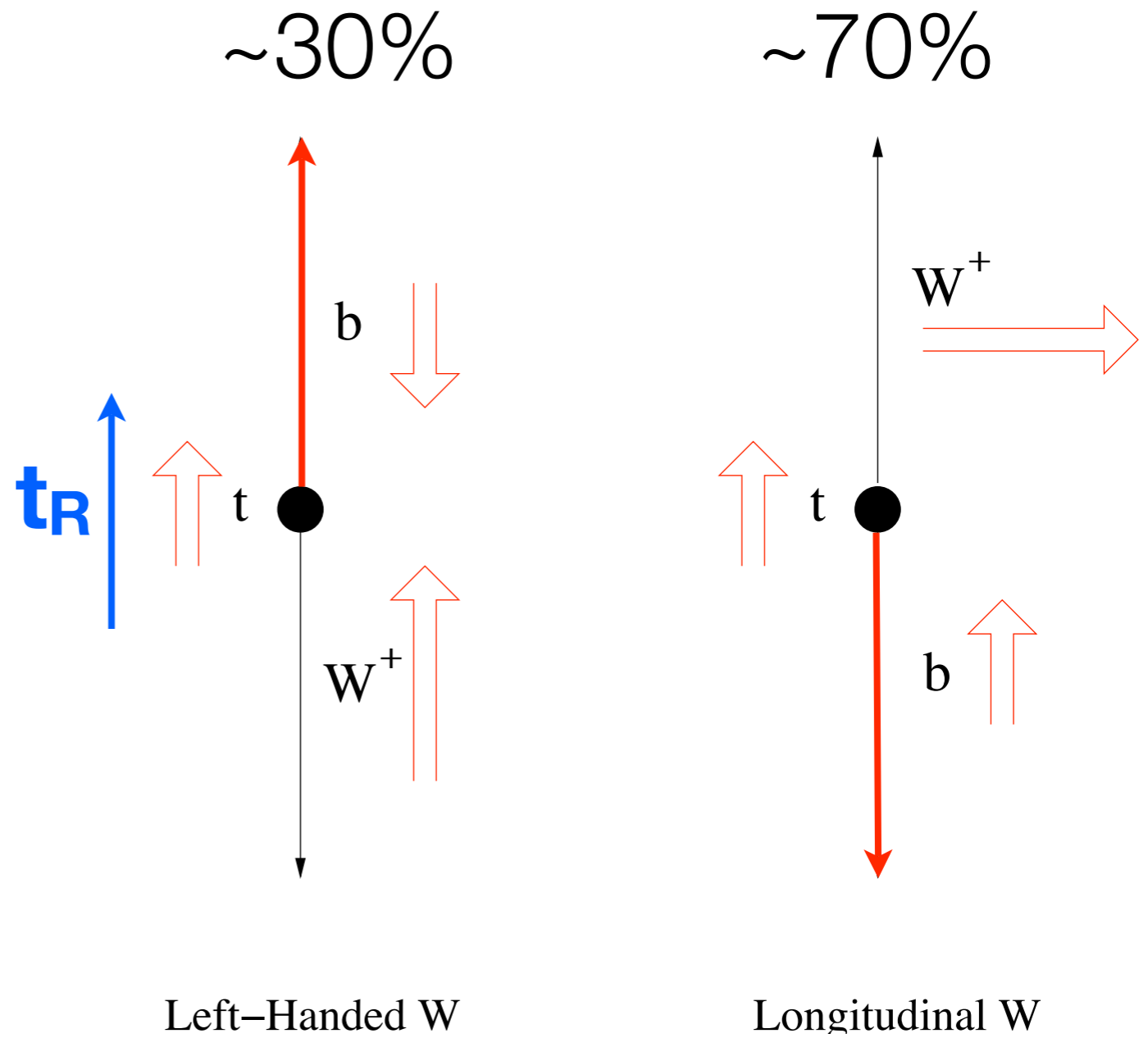
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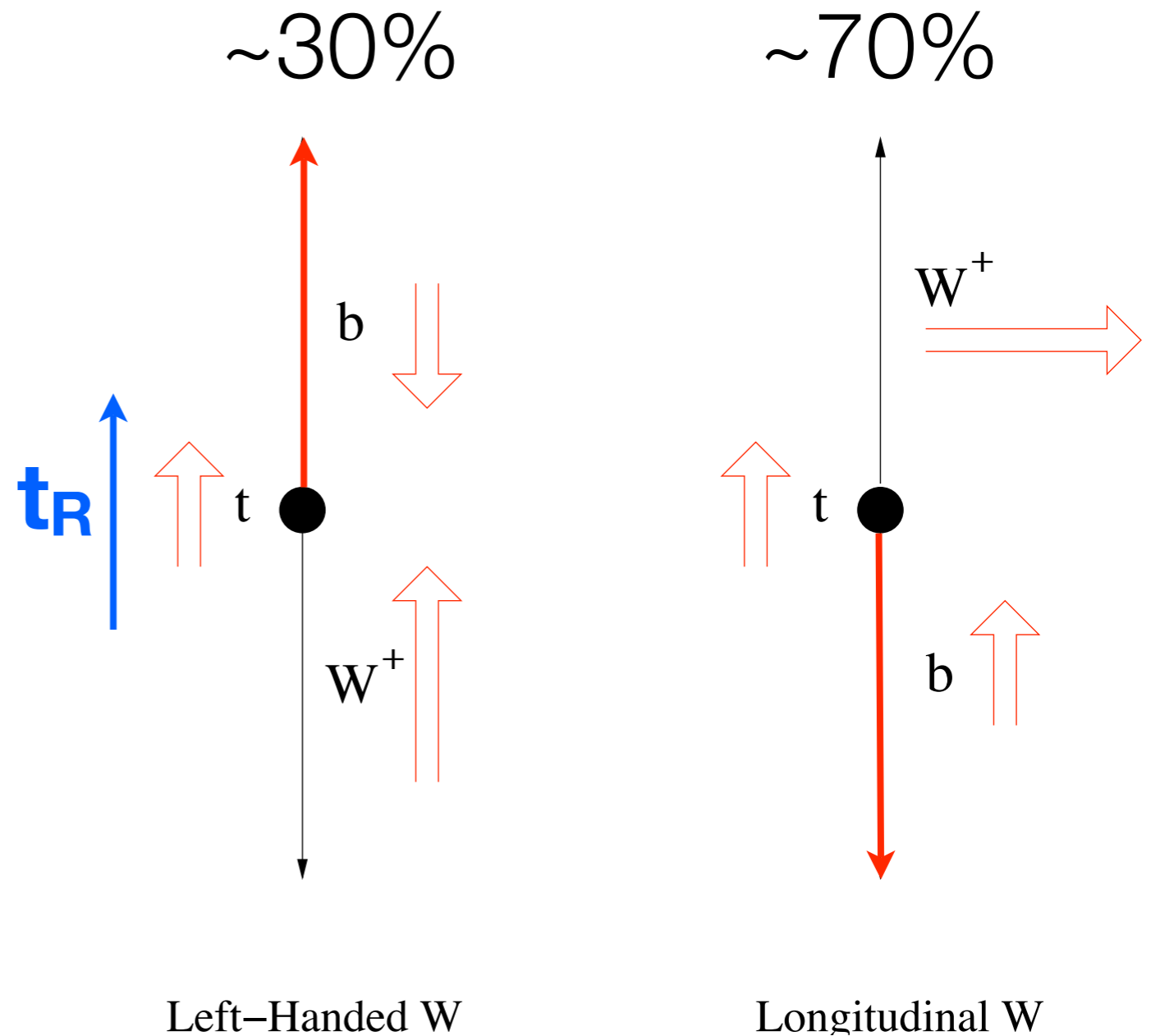


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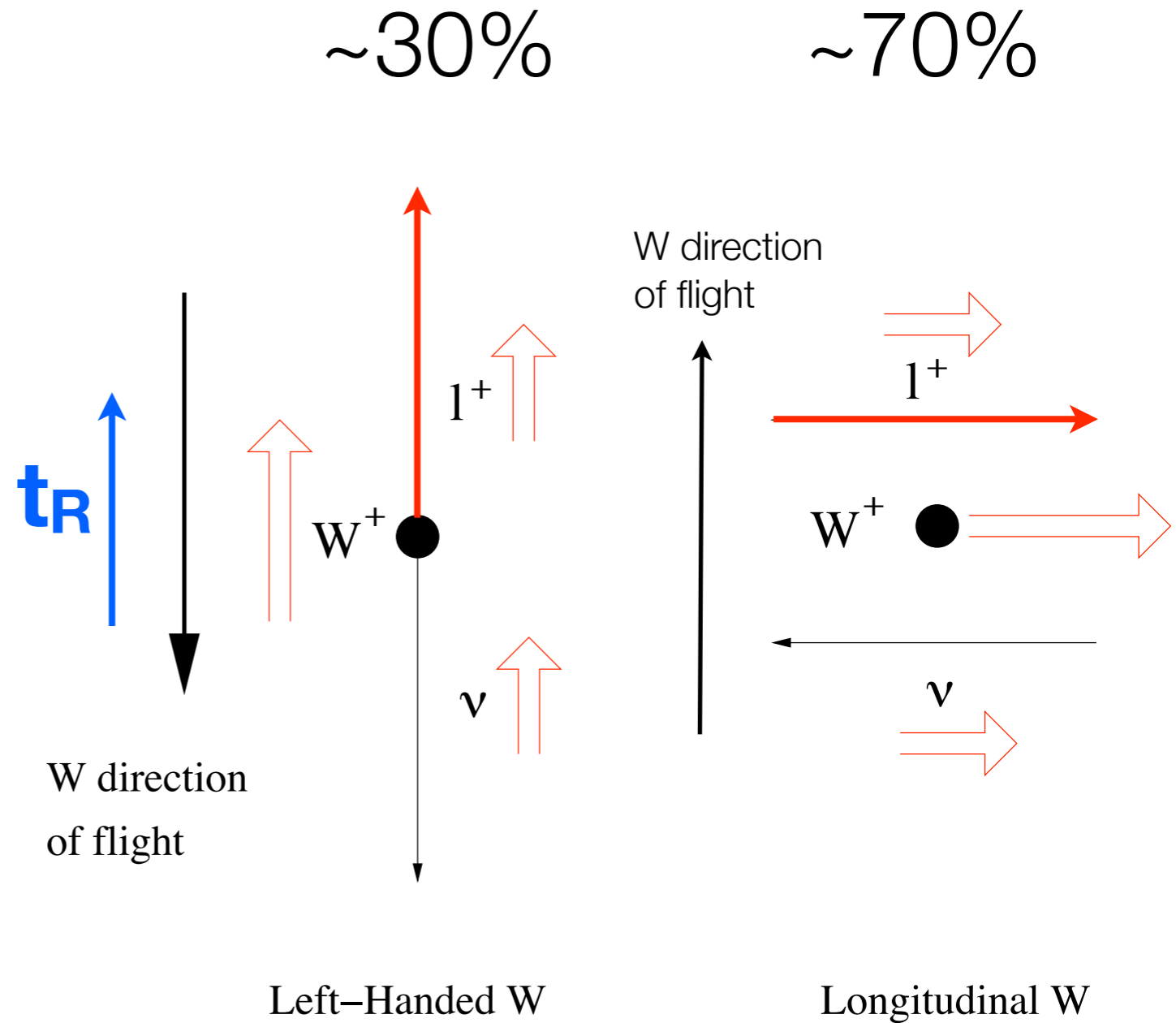
Top Polarization

- b quark:
 - **back-warded** (soft P_T)
for t_R
 - **forwarded** (hard P_T)
for t_L
- For SM, parity even
(P_T distribution will be flat) → look for new
Physics where parity is violated



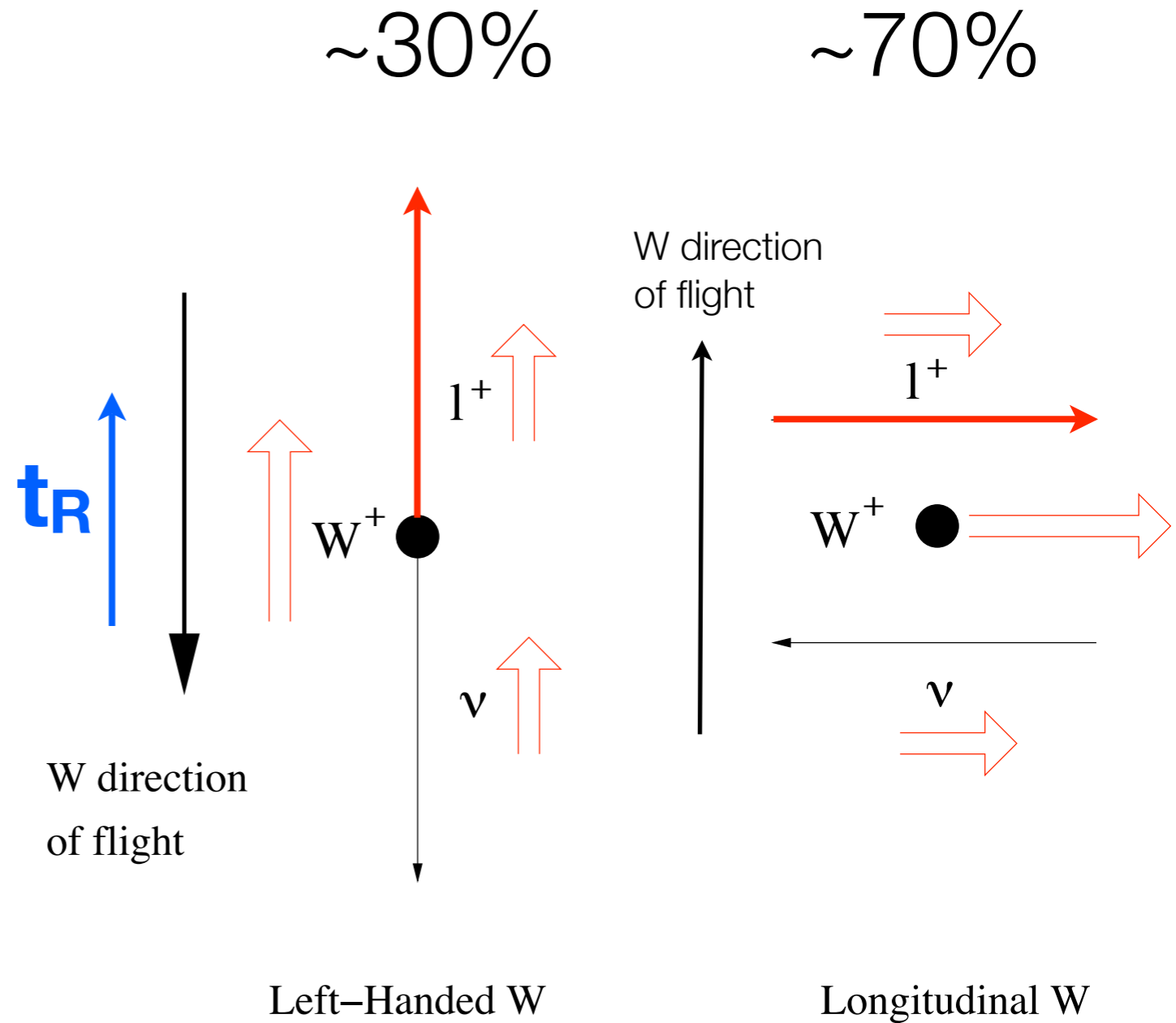
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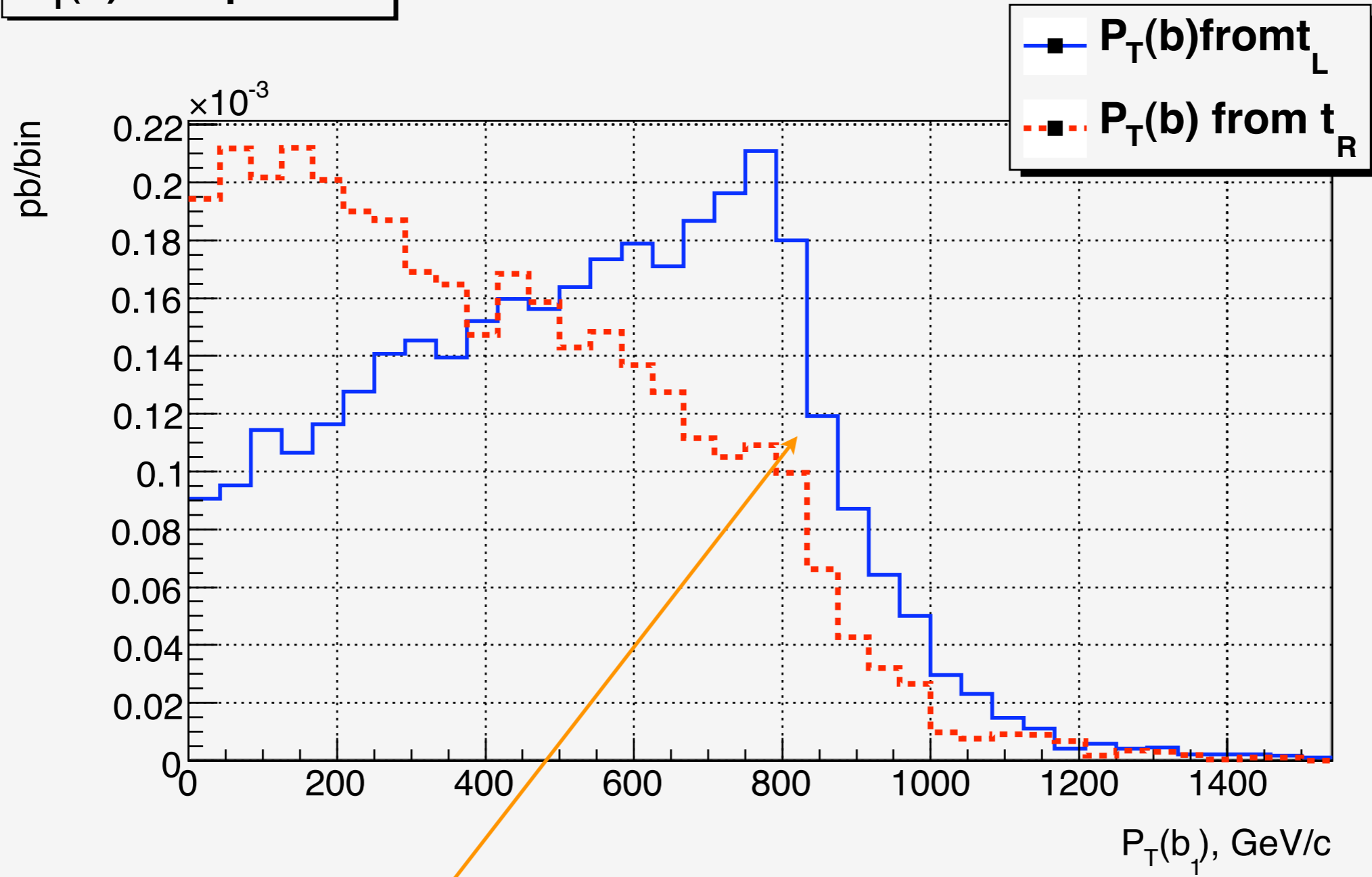


For Boosted Longitudinal W: lepton is forwarded

$p_T(\text{top}) > 1\text{TeV}$

MadGraph

$P_T(b)$ Comparison



$P_T(b)$ is limited by W boson mass

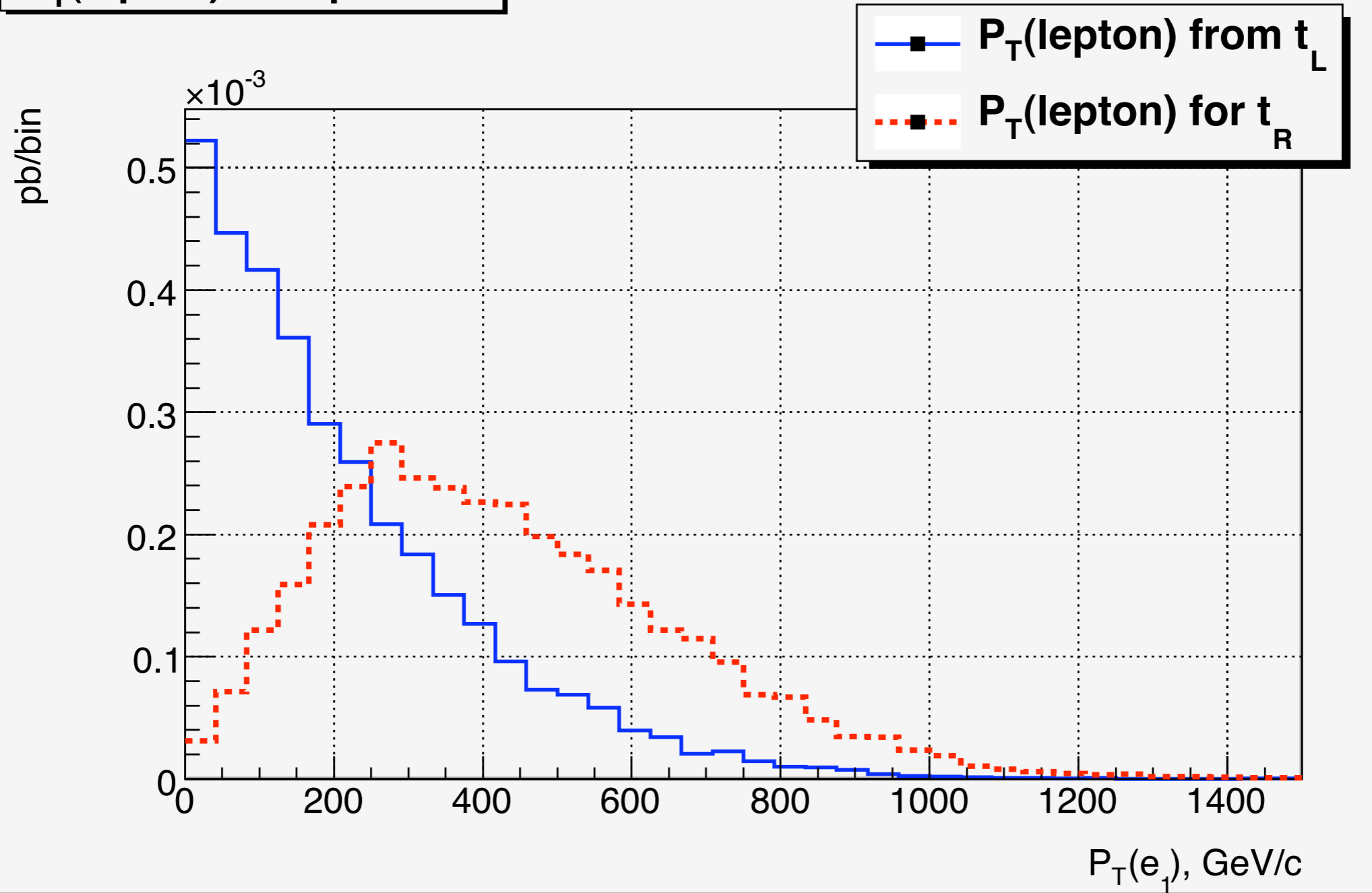
Hadronic Top

b quark as a spin analyzer

$p_T(\text{top}) > 1\text{TeV}$

MadGraph

$P_T(\text{lepton})$ Comparison



• for example with the KK gluon, you'll see suddenly only leptons/bs that follows the RH curves

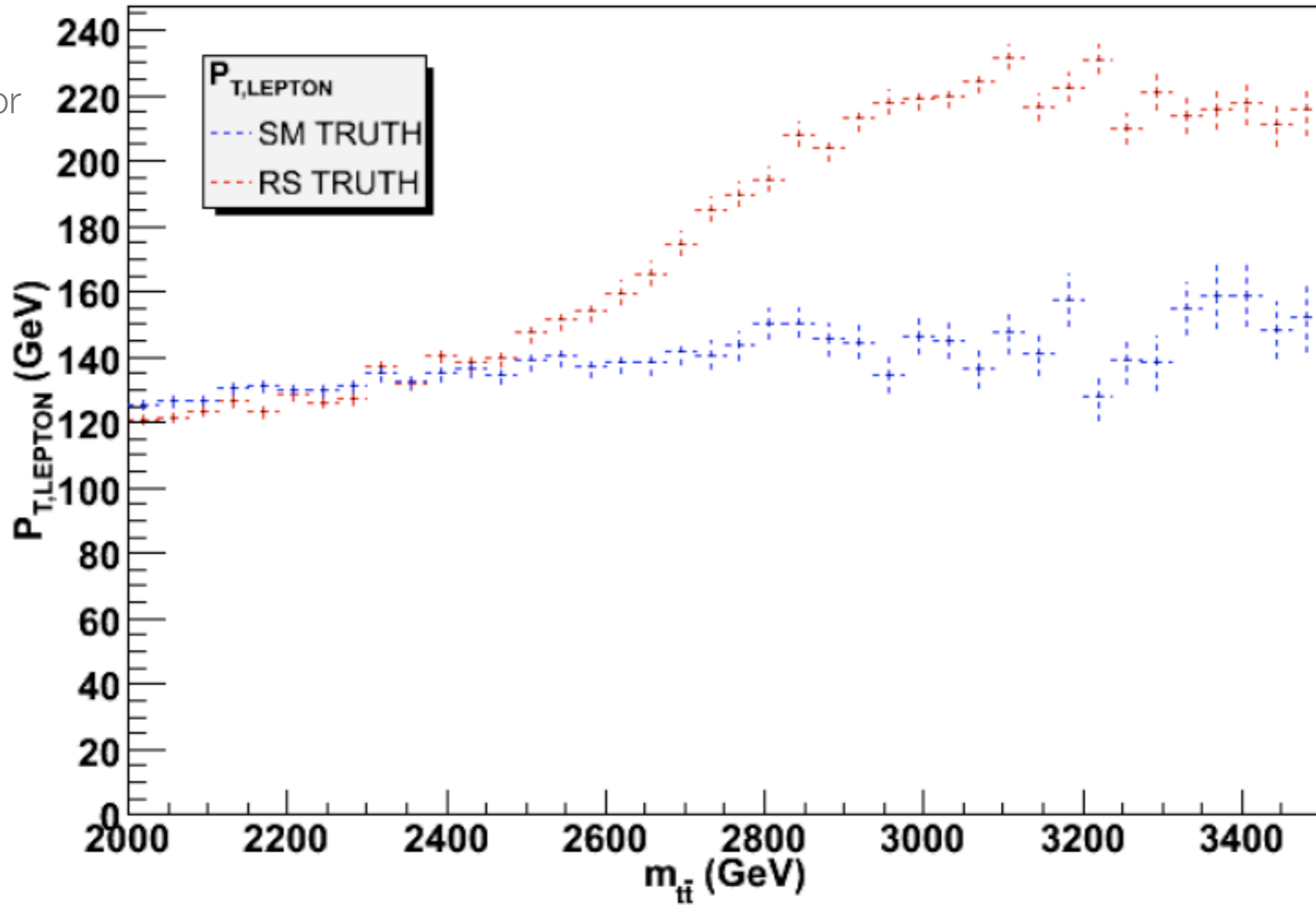
Leptonic Top

charged lepton as a spin analyzer

$P_{T,LEPTON}$

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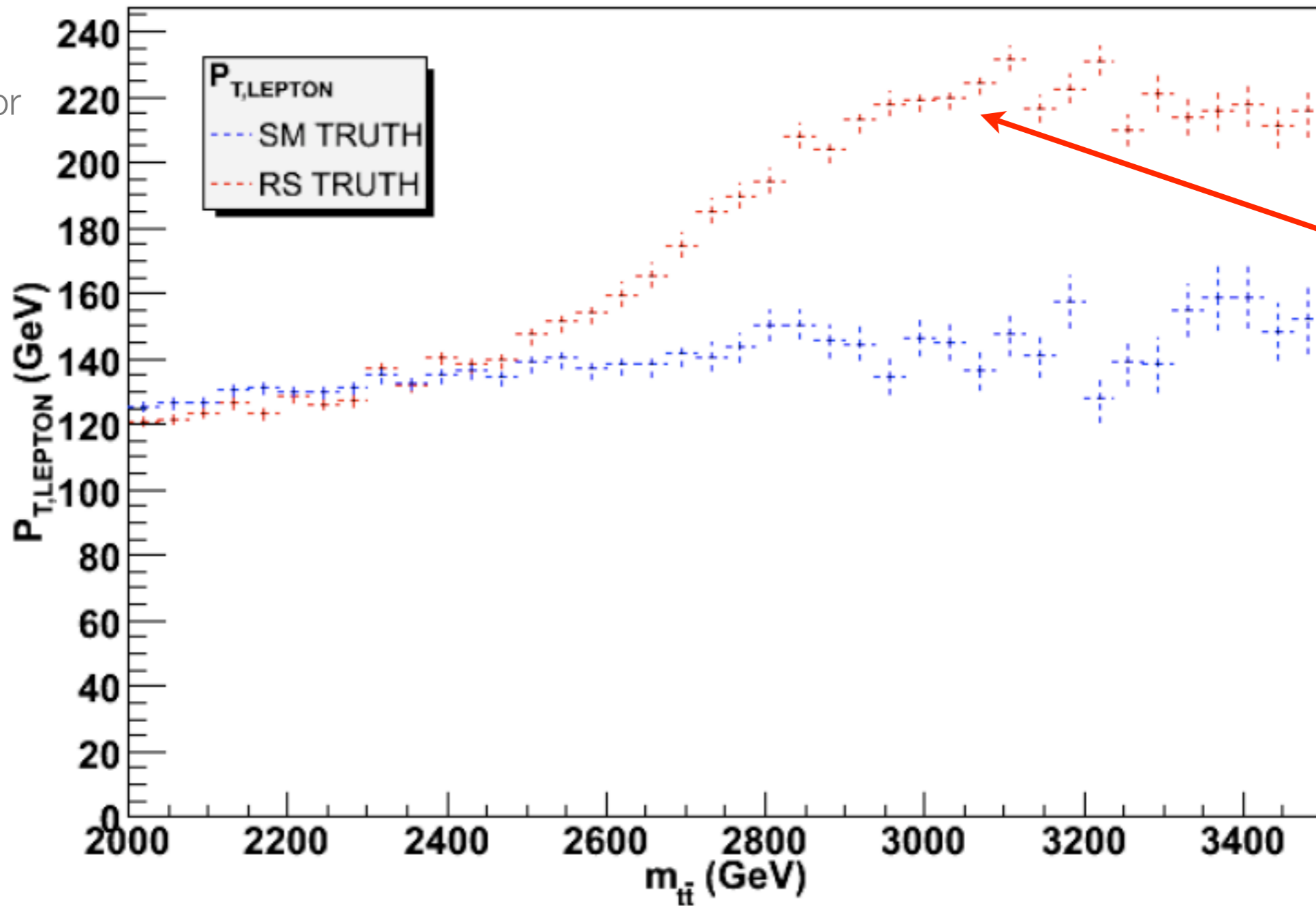
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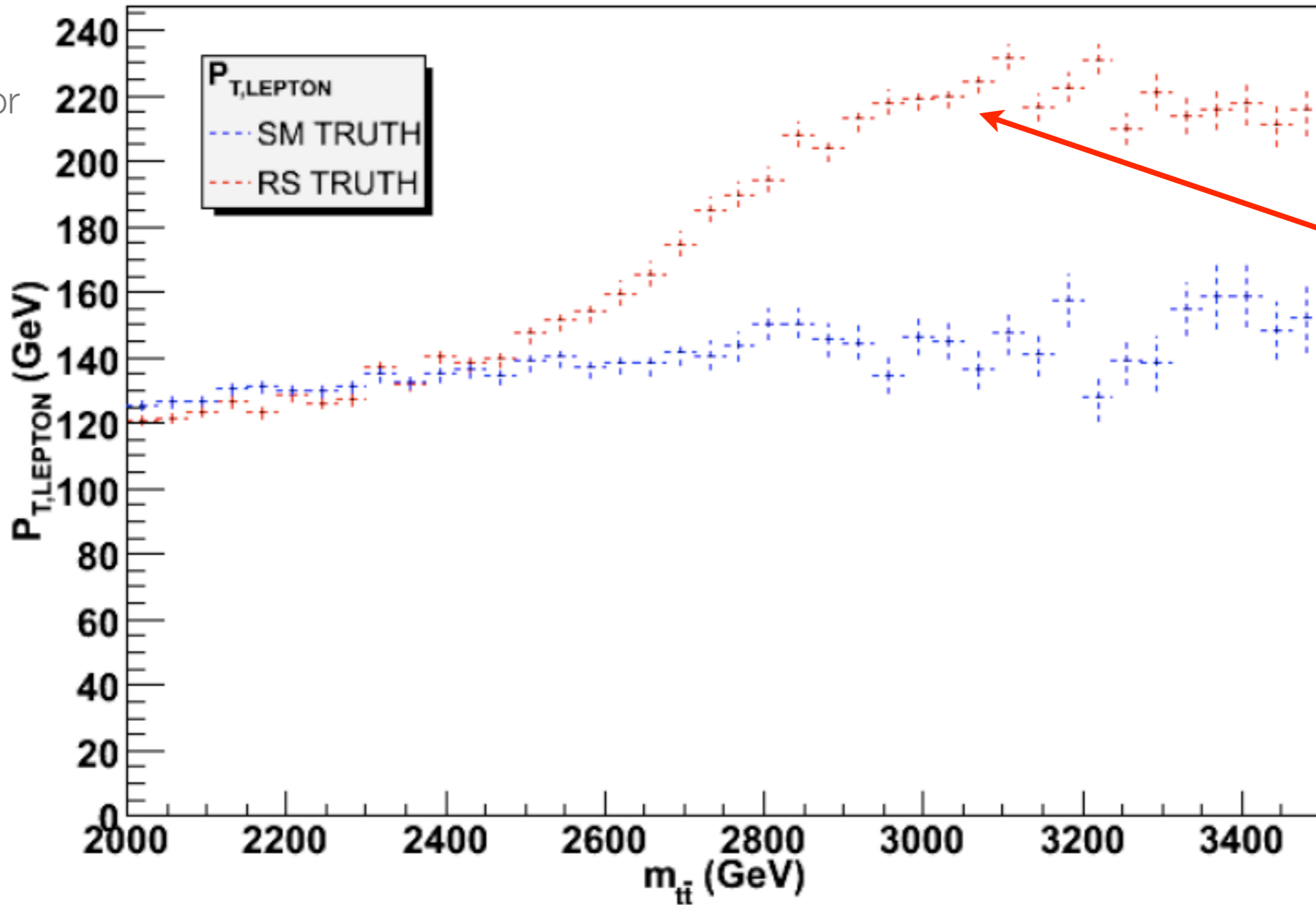
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KK
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bump

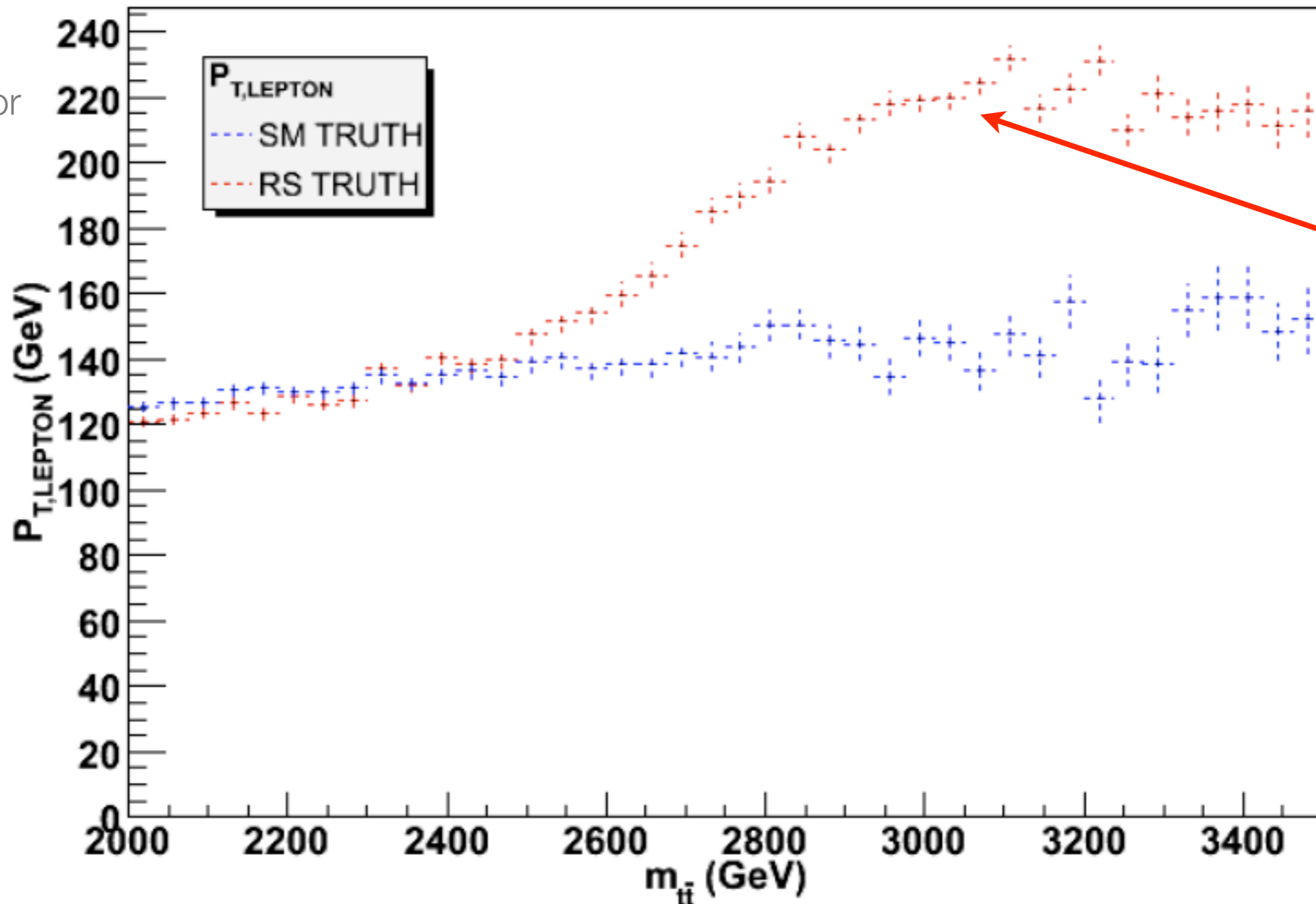
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Also relevant for SUSY: heavy stop decaying into top and wino

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the KK gluon plateau

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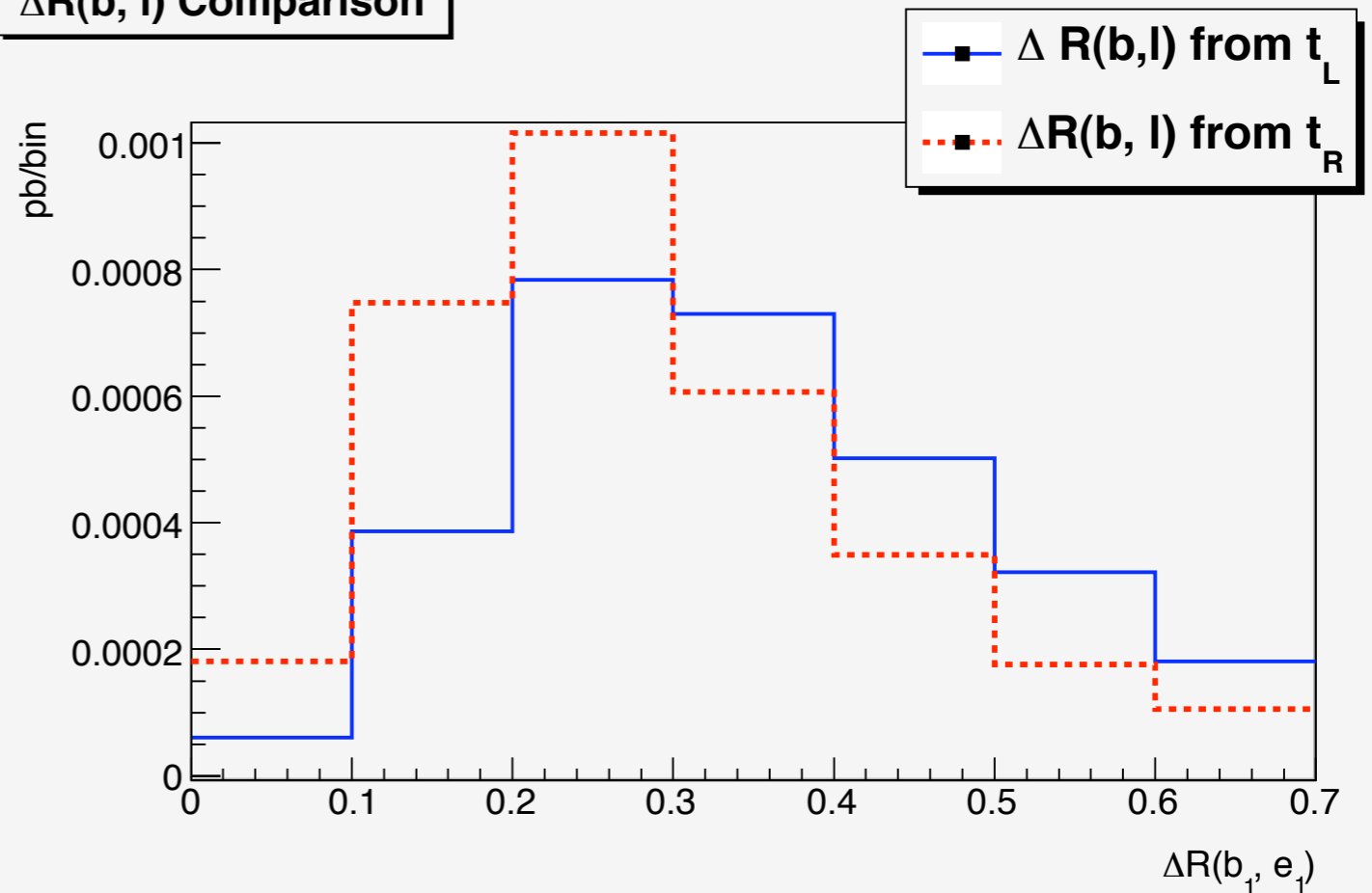
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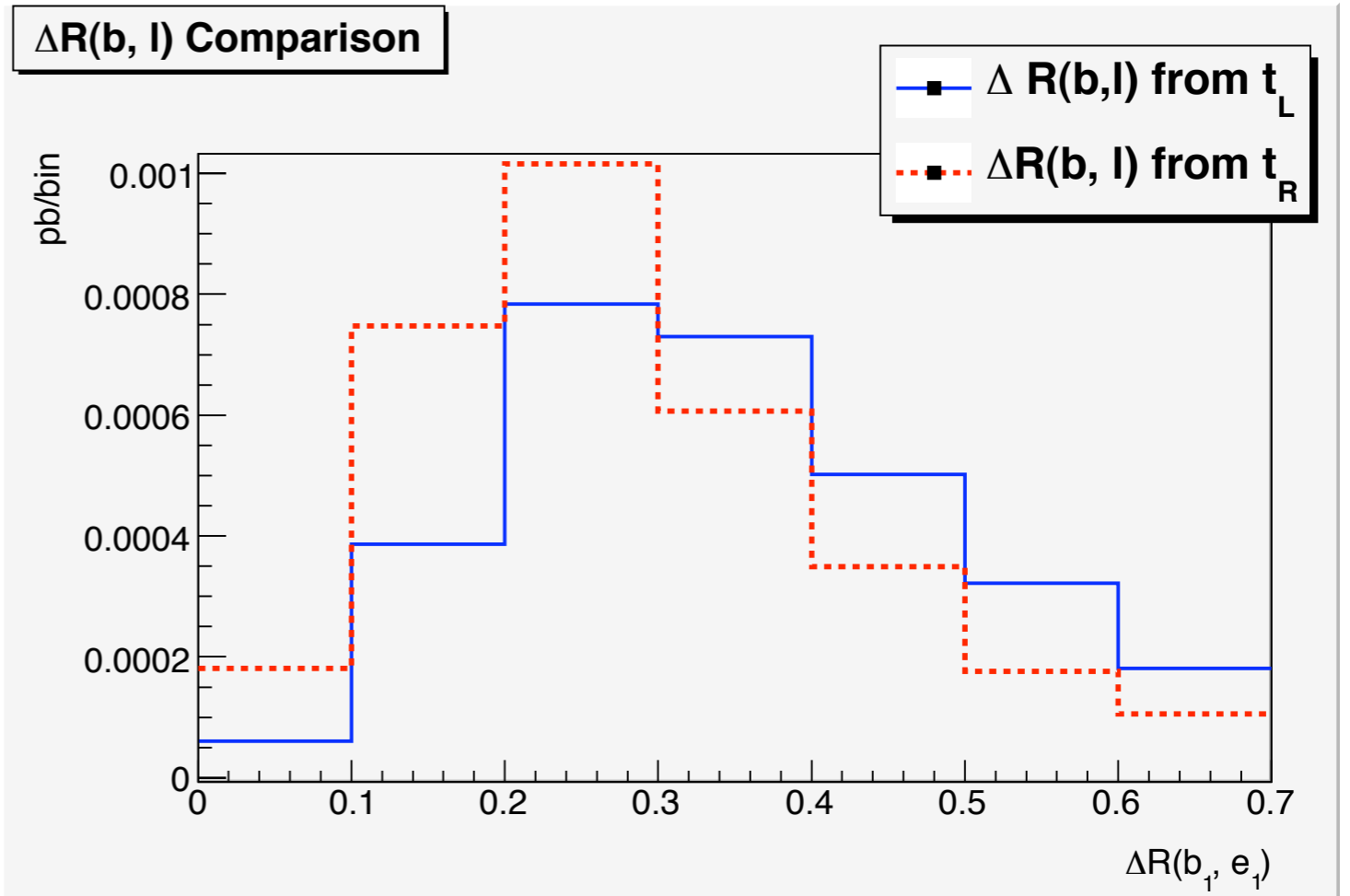


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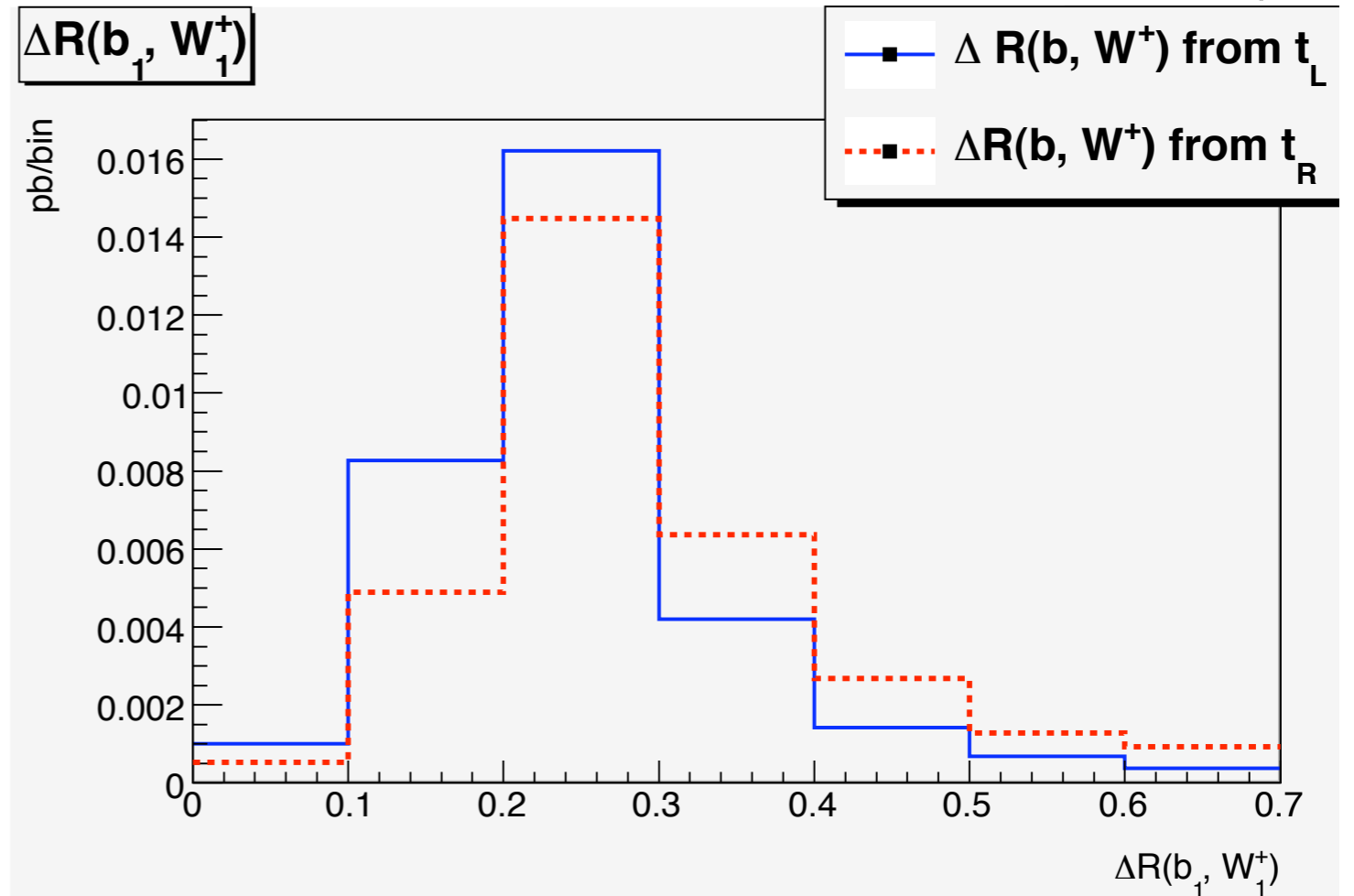


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Summary

- Challenges with highly boosted tops; decay products are highly collimated
- Identifying top with single jet mass might be a solution; need to distinguish top from the QCD Jet
- Have a simple (pseudo-rapidity independent) analytical handle from Factorization approach for QCD jet
- P_T of b quark (lepton) can be used to analyze hadronic (leptonic) top quark polarization
- Our analysis is equally relevant for highly boosted W, Z (because of unitarity bound) and the boosted Higgs