

MadGraph Tutorial

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- <https://launchpad.net/madgraph5>
- untar it (`tar -xzpvf TUTO_model.tgz`)
- launch it (`$./bin/mg5`)
- **learn** it!
 - ➔ Type **tutorial** and follow instructions

The MadGraph Matrix Element Generator version 5

Overview Code Bugs Blueprints Translations Answers

Registered 2009-09-15 by Michel Herquet

The version 5 of the MadGraph Matrix Element Generator for the simulation of parton-level events for decay and collision processes at high energy colliders. Allows matrix element generation and event generation for any model that can be written as a Lagrangian, using the output of the FeynRules Feynman rule calculator. Provides output in multiple formats and languages, including Fortran MadEvent, Fortran Standalone matrix elements, C++ matrix elements, and Pythia 8 process libraries.

Note that process generation can also be done directly online at <http://madgraph.phys.ucl.ac.be> or <http://madgraph.hep.uiuc.edu>.
If you use MadGraph 5, please cite JHEP 1106(2011)128, arXiv:1106.0522 [hep-ph].

Installation:
MadGraph 5 needs Python version 2.6 or 2.7. The latest stable release is in the trunk, which can be branched using the Bazaar versioning system:
`bzr branch lp:madgraph5`
or be downloaded as a tar.gz package to the right. This release contains everything needed for process generation in multiple models, as well as event generation through MadEvent, and standalone matrix element evaluation for Fortran or C++ output.
In order to use the process library output for Pythia 8, you need Pythia 8.150 or later installed.

Getting started:
Run `bin/mg5` and type "help" to learn how to run MadGraph 5 using the command interface, or run the interactive quick-start tutorial by typing "tutorial".
Or copy the Template, edit the `Cards/proc_card_mg5.dat` and run `bin/newprocess_mg5`.

Examples of process generation syntax:
`pp > w+ jj`
`pp > t t-, t > b jj, t- > b- l- vl-`
`e+ e- > z > n2 n2, (n2 > x1+ w-, x1+ > l+ vl n1, w- > l- vl-), n2 > jj n1`

To output model files for MadGraph 5 with FeynRules, use version 1.6 or later, and use the WriteUFO command.

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- MadGraph5_v1.5.10.tar.gz** (highlighted)
- MadGraph5_v...eta3.tar.gz

released on 2012-09-29

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Announcements

aMC@NLO in MadGraph5 on 2012-11-08
On Nov 8th 2012, version 2.0 beta of MadGraph5 has been released. This is a m...
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- Ask me/Celine
- Use the command “help” / “help XXX”
 - ➔ “help” tell you the next command that you need to do.
- Launchpad:
 - ➔ <https://answers.launchpad.net/madgraph5>
 - ➔ FAQ: <https://answers.launchpad.net/madgraph5/+faqs>

- Read the Cards and identify what they do
 - ➔ **param_card**: model parameters
 - ➔ **run_card**: beam/run parameters and cuts
 - ◆ <https://answers.launchpad.net/madgraph5/+faq/2014>

- How do you change
 - ➔ top mass
 - ➔ top width
 - ➔ W mass
 - ➔ beam energy
 - ➔ pt cut on the lepton

- What's the meaning of the order QED/QCD
- What's the difference between
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- Compute the cross-section for each of those

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Hint : To plot automatically distributions:
`mg5> install MadAnalysis`

- Compute the cross-section for the top pair production for 3 different mass points.
 - ➔ Do **NOT** use the interactive interface
 - ◆ **hint:** you can edit the param_card/run_card via the “set” command [**After** the launch]
 - ◆ **hint:** All command [including answer to question] can be put in a file. (run ./bin/mg5 PATH_TO_FILE)

1. Generate $p p \rightarrow w^+$ with 0 jets, 0,1 jets and 0,1,2 jets
 (Each on different computers - use the most powerful computer for 0,1,2 jets)
 - a. Generate 20,000 events for a couple of different x_{qcut} values.
 - b. Compare the distributions (before and after Pythia) and cross sections (before and after Pythia) between the different processes, and between the different x_{qcut} values.
 - c. Summarize: How many jets do we need to simulate? What is a good x_{qcut} value? How are the distributions affected?
2. Do the same exercise for matched squark production
 ($p p \rightarrow ur \bar{u}r + 0,1$ jets)
 - a. Run with and without “\$ go” - how does the result change?
 - b. With “\$ go”, do the exercises a.-c. under 1. What is a good choice for matching scale?

See appendix slide if you do not know matching!

Matching

Merging ME with PS

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[Catani, Krauss, Kuhn, Webber]

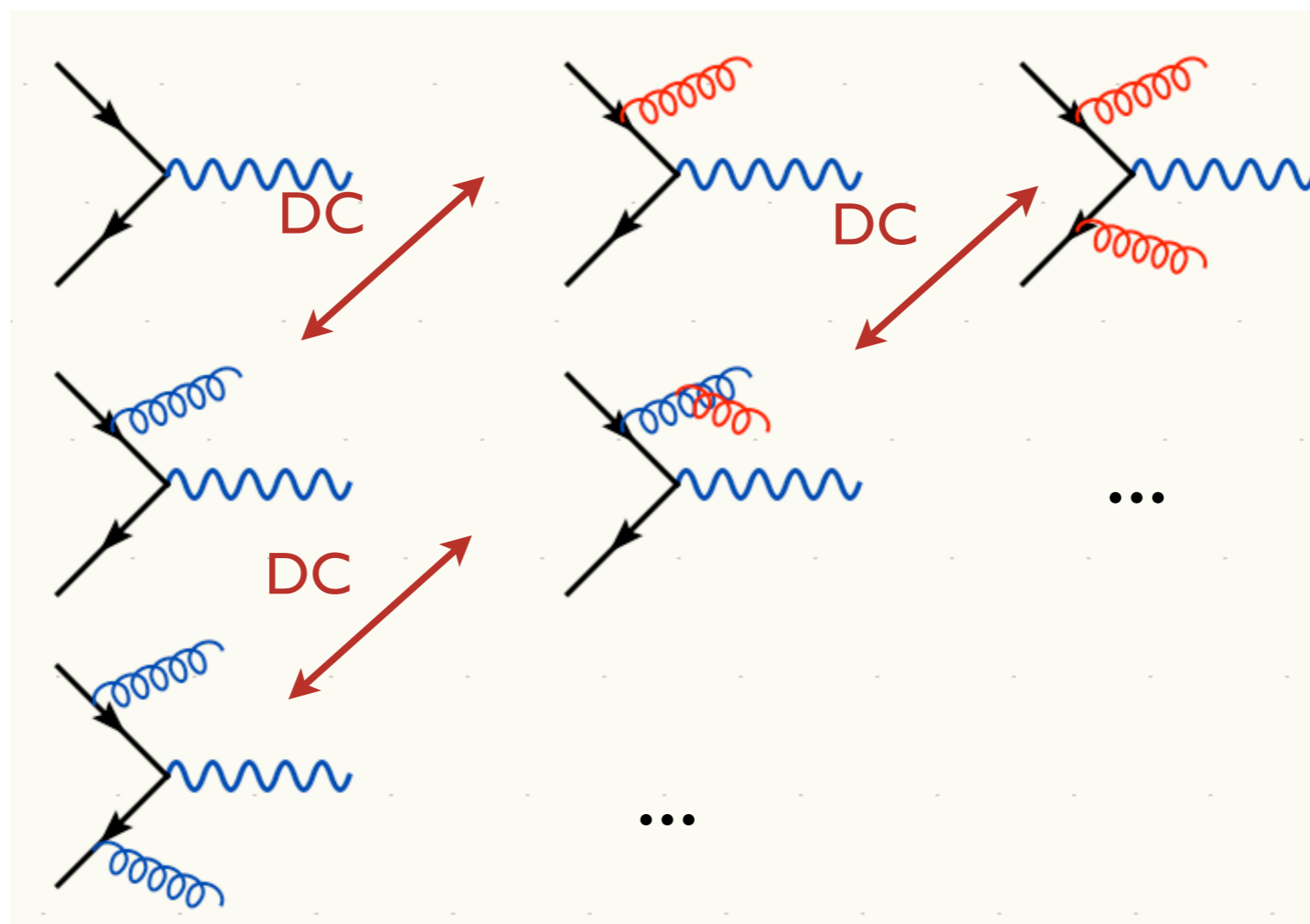
PS →

$$pp \rightarrow W^+$$

$$pp \rightarrow W^+ j \text{ ME}$$



$$pp \rightarrow W^+ jj$$

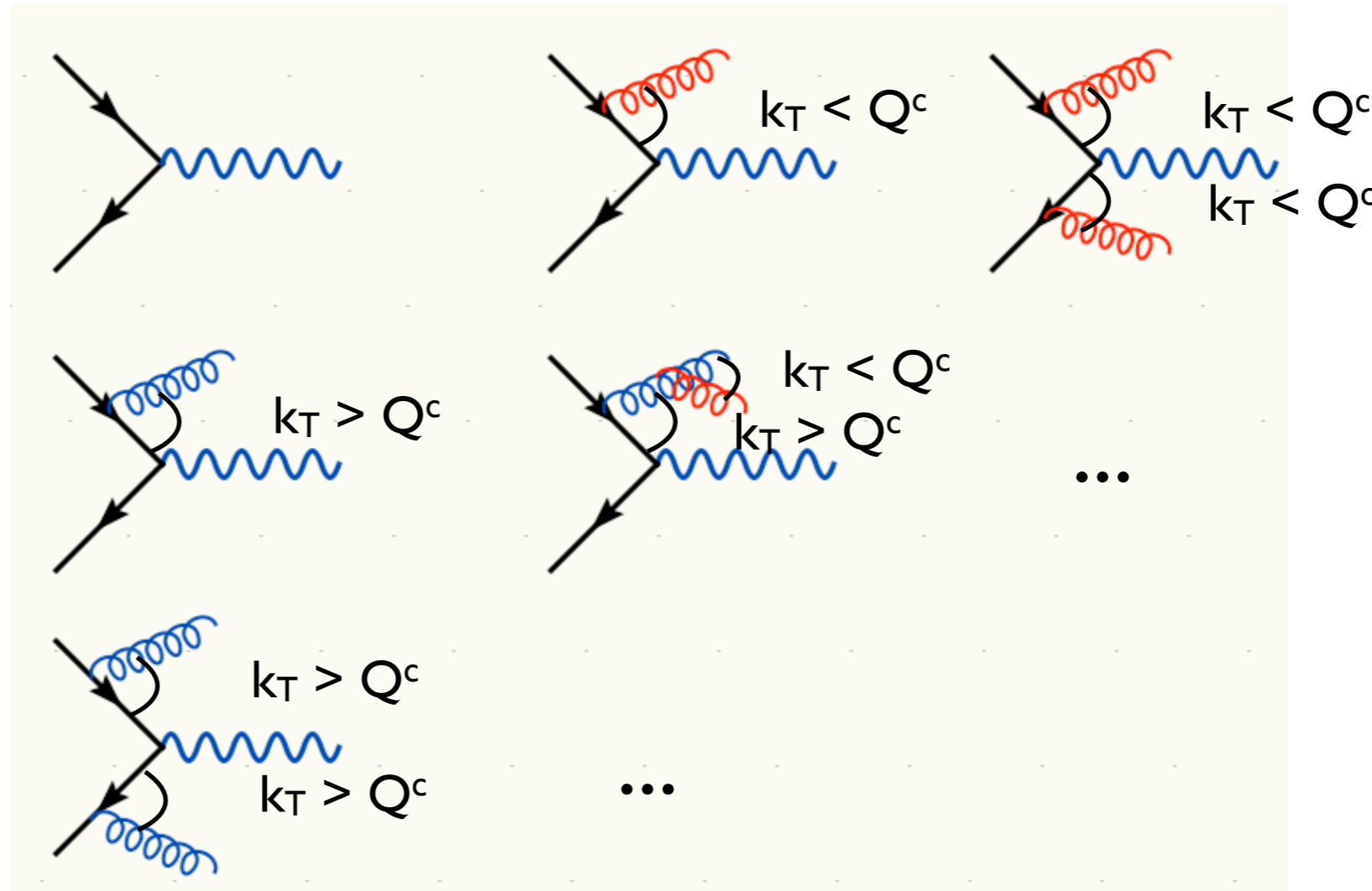


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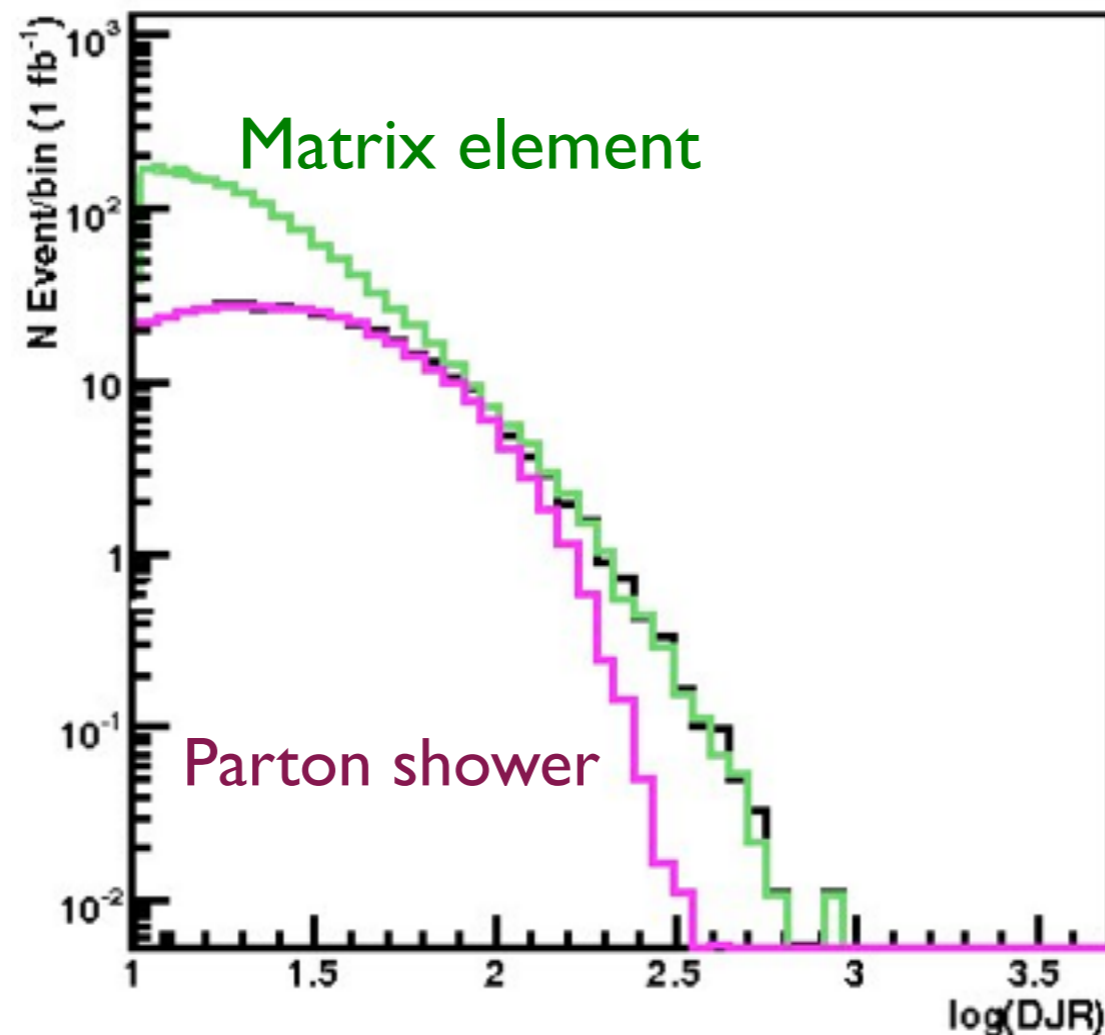
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PS →

ME

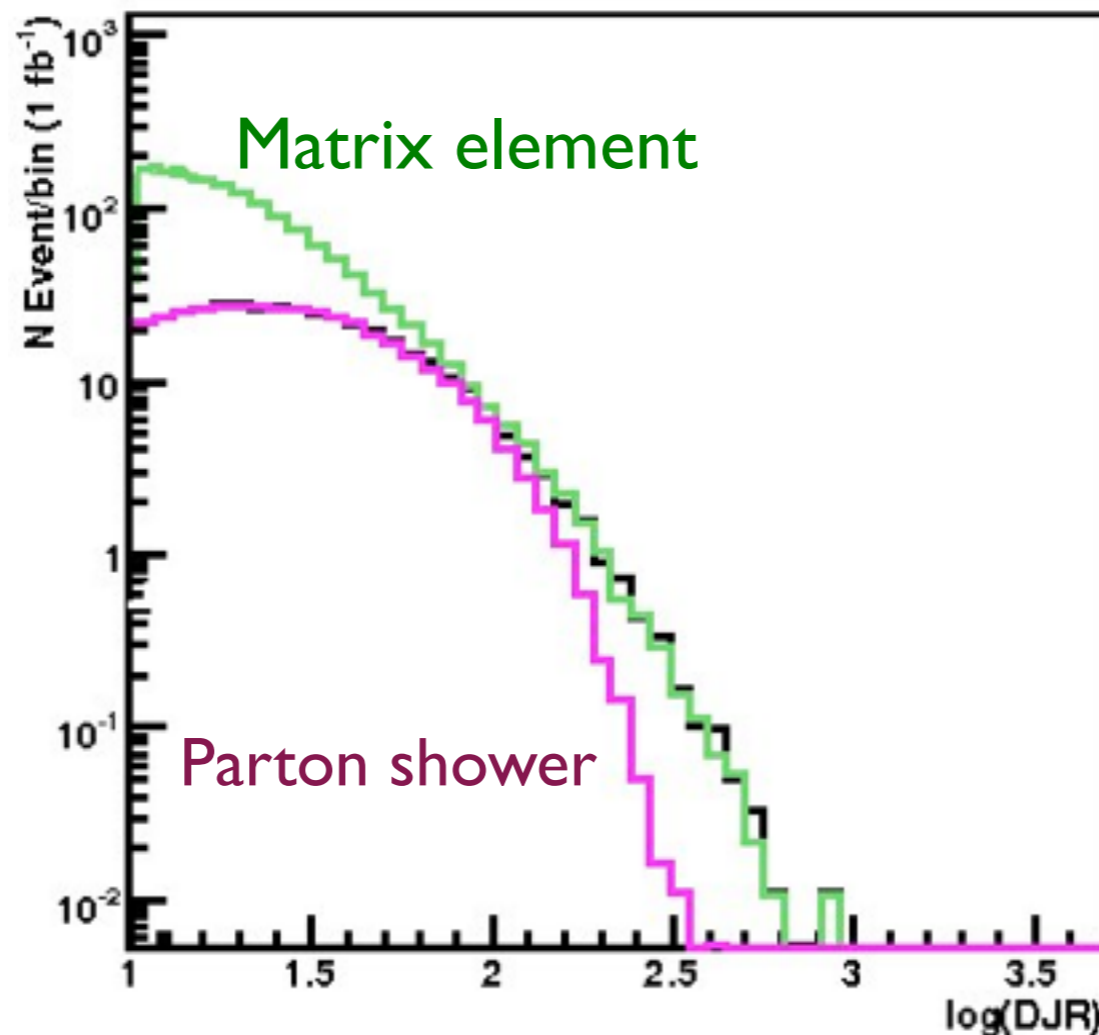


Double counting between ME and PS easily avoided using phase space cut between the two: PS below cutoff, ME above cutoff.



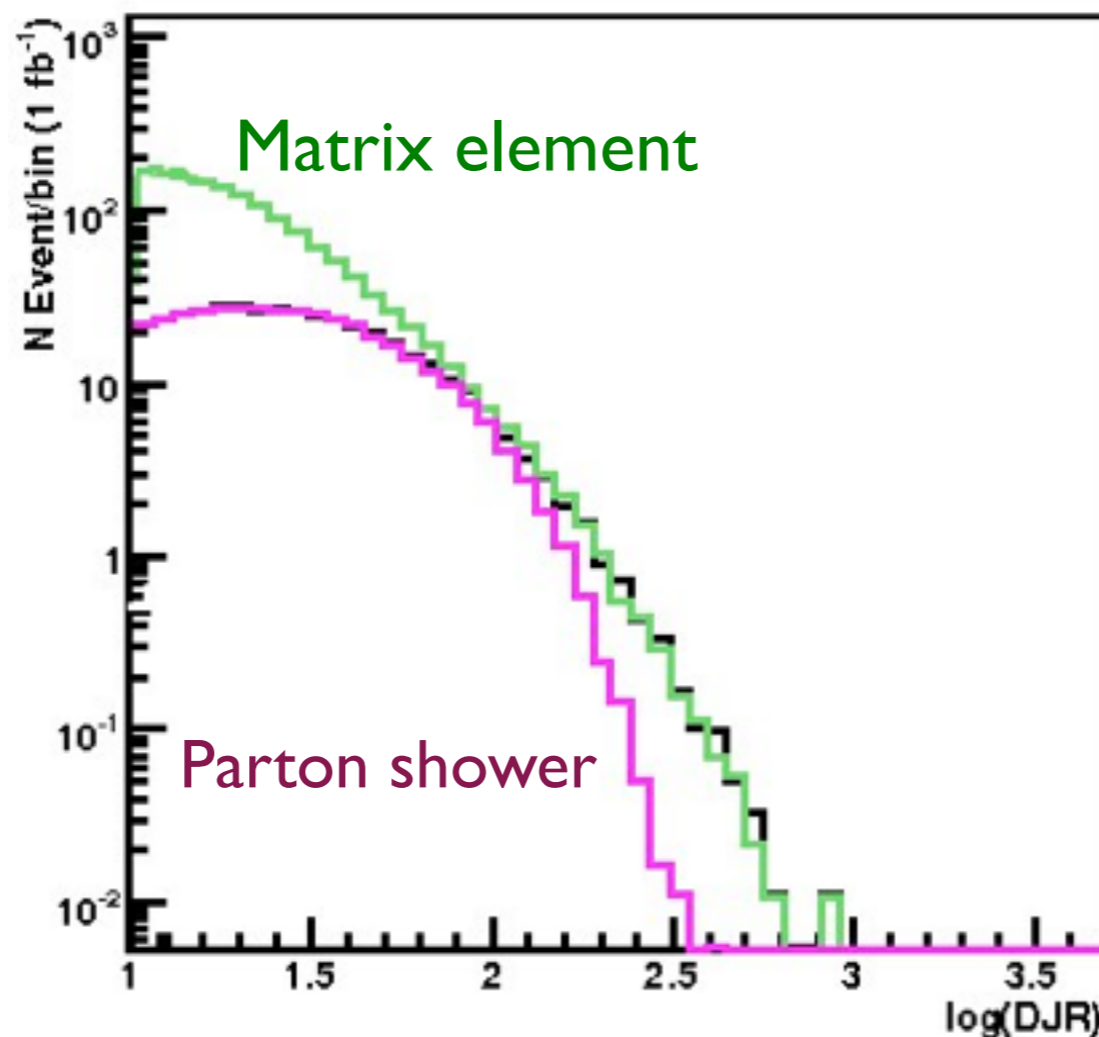
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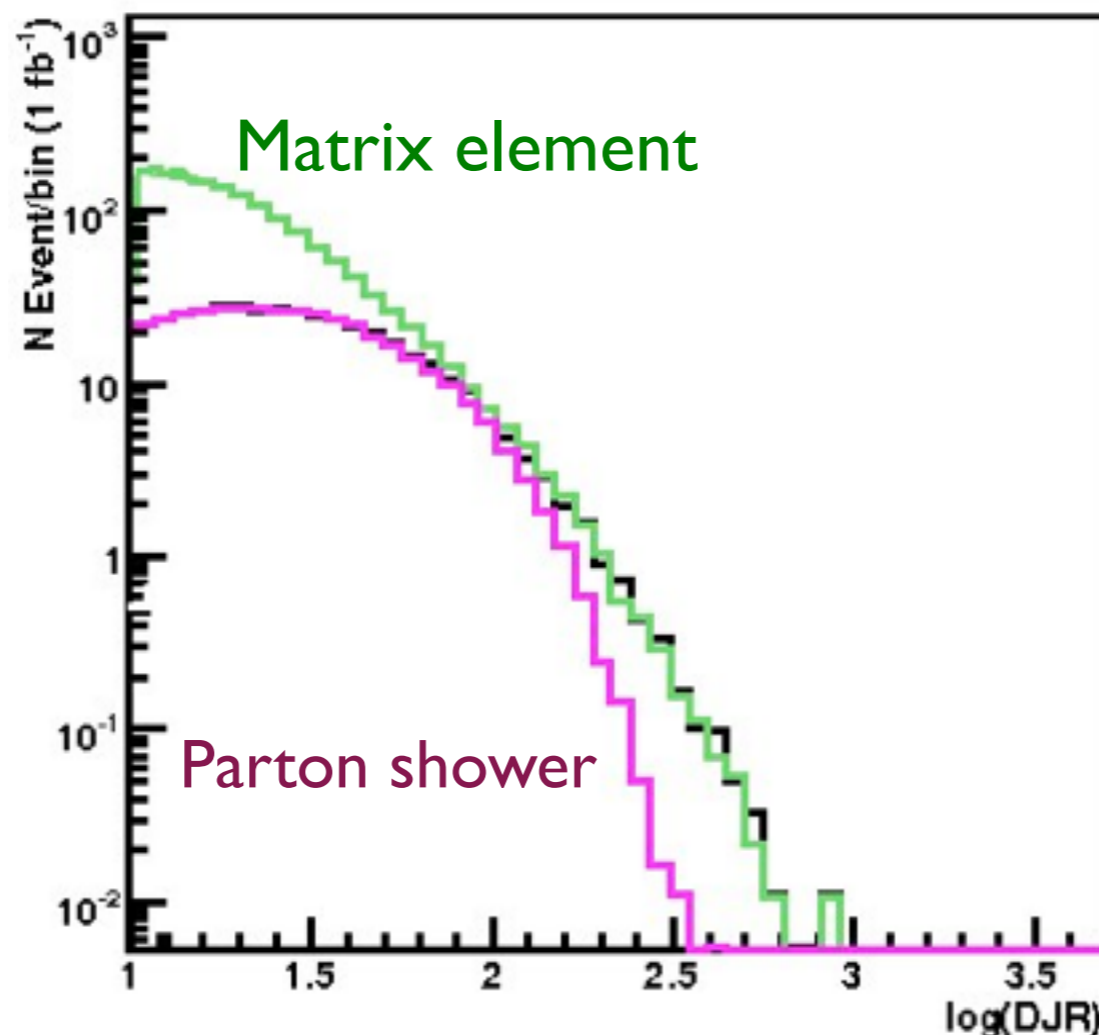
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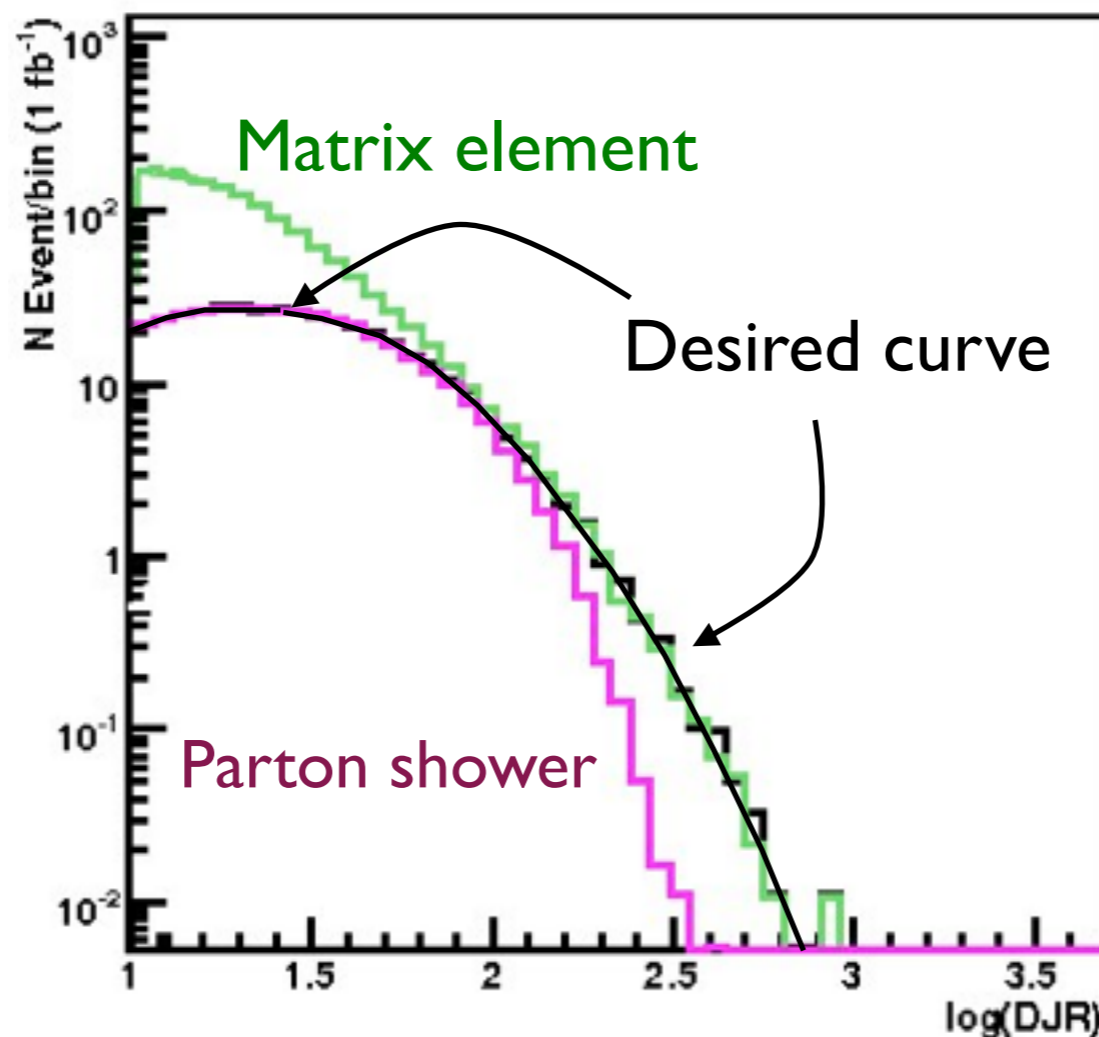
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1. Generate ME events (with different parton multiplicities) using parton-level cuts ($p_T^{\text{ME}}/\Delta R$ or k_T^{ME})
2. Cluster each event and reweight α_s and PDFs based on the scales in the corresponding clustering vertices
3. Run the parton shower with starting scale $t_0 = m_T$.
4. Check that the number of jets after parton shower is the same as ME partons, and that all jets after parton shower are matched to the ME partons at a scale Q^{match} .
If yes, keep the event. If no, reject the event. Q^{match} is called the *matching scale*.

Let's start

1. Follow the built-in tutorial
(type “tutorial” in mg5 shell)

2. Understand the cards

3. compare (diagram and cross-section)

$$\Rightarrow p p > t t^{\sim}$$

$$\Rightarrow p p > t t^{\sim} \text{ QED}=0$$

$$\Rightarrow p p > t t^{\sim} \text{ QED}=2$$

4. compare (distributions)

$$\Rightarrow p p > e^+ e^-$$

$$\Rightarrow p p > z, z > e^+ e^-$$

$$\Rightarrow p p > e^+ e^- \text{ } \$ z$$

$$\Rightarrow p p > e^+ e^- / z$$

5. compute the cross-section

$$p p > t t^{\sim}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{for } M_{\text{top}} \text{ between } 160 \text{ to } 180 \text{ GeV}$$

\Rightarrow Do not use the interface!

6. matching generation

7. NLO

Solution

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Param_card

Run_card

- top mass

```
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#####
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#####
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#####
23 9.118800e+01 # MZ
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- W mass

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#####
## INFORMATION FOR MASS
#####
Block mass
 5 4.700000e+00 # MB
 6 1.730000e+02 # MT
15 1.777000e+00 # MTA
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W Mass is an internal parameter!

MG5 didn't use this value!

So you need to change MZ or Gf or alpha_EW

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- What's the meaning of the order QED/QCD
 - By default MG5 takes the lowest order in QED!
 - $p p > t t^{\sim} \Rightarrow p p > t t^{\sim} \text{ QED}=0$
 - $p p > t t^{\sim} \text{ QED}=2$
 - ◆ additional diagrams (photon/z exchange)

$p p > t t^{\sim}$

Cross section (pb)
<u>555 ± 0.84</u>

$p p > t t^{\sim} \text{ QED}=2$

Cross section (pb)
<u>555.8 ± 0.91</u>

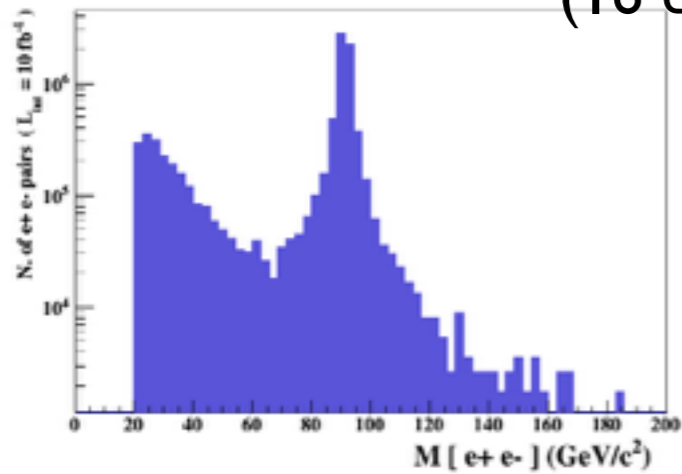
No significant QED contribution

Exercise II: Syntax

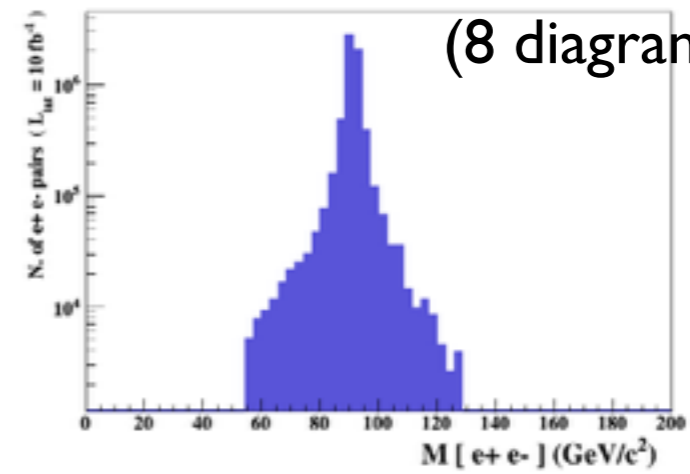
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Hint :To have automatic distributions:
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$pp \rightarrow e^+ e^-$
(16 diagrams)

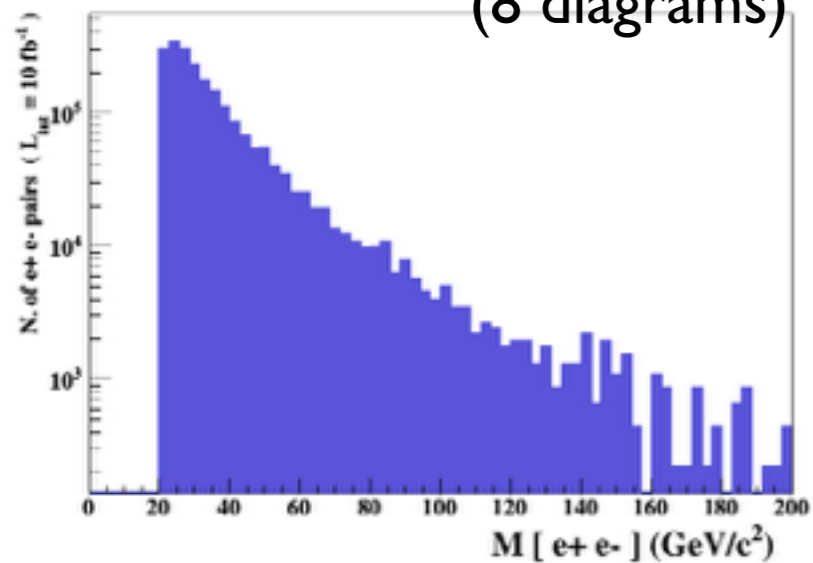


$pp \rightarrow z, z \rightarrow e^+ e^-$
(8 diagrams)



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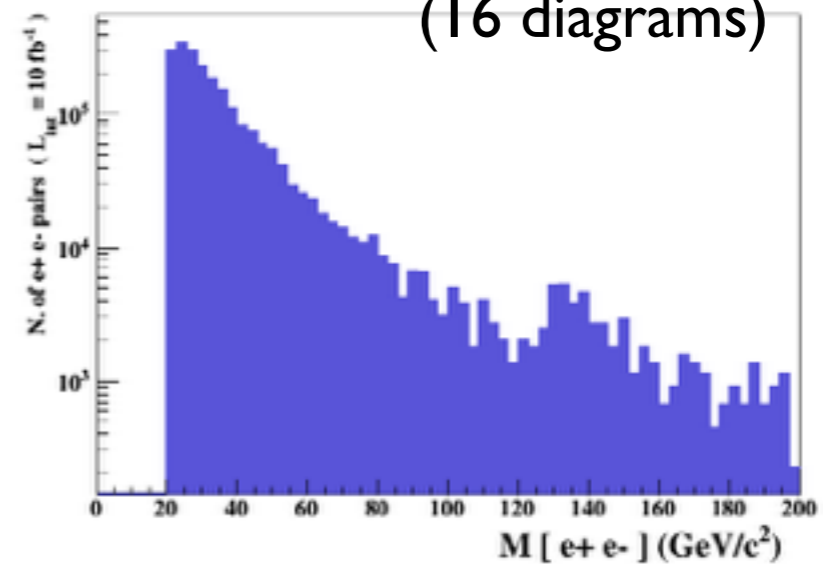
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No Z

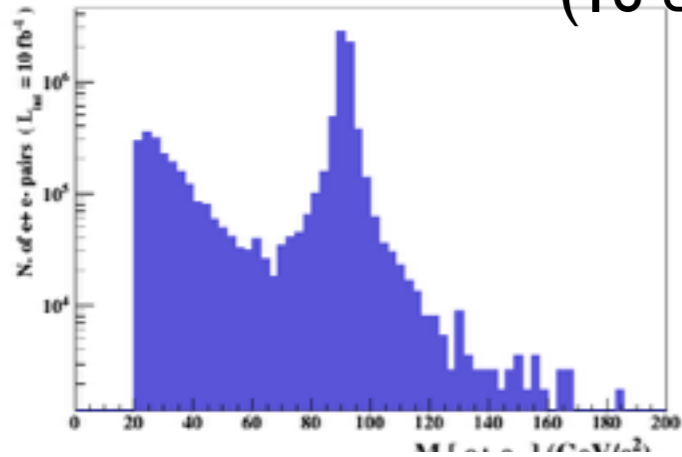
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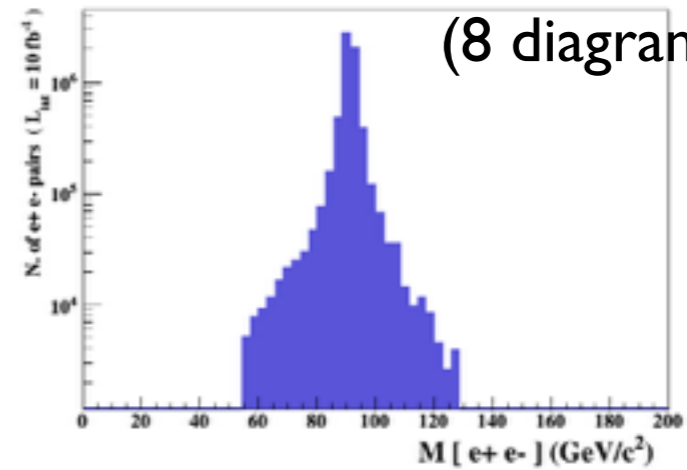
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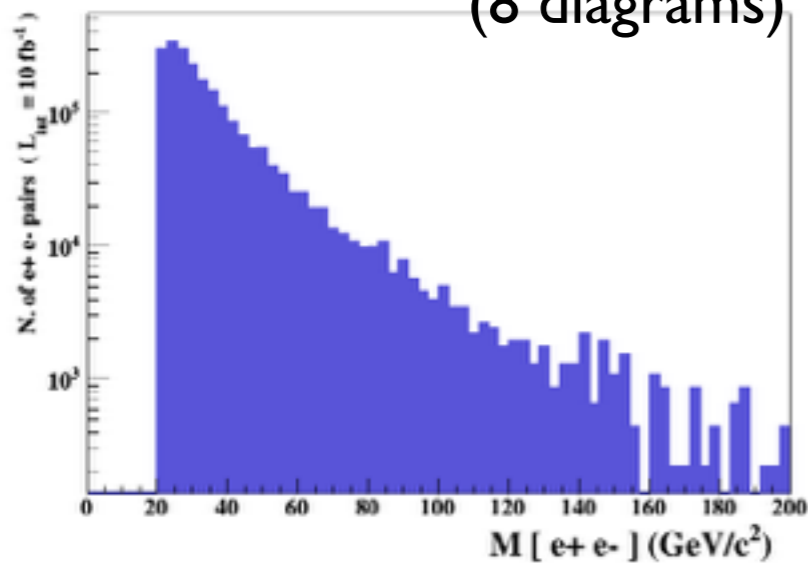
Correct Distribution

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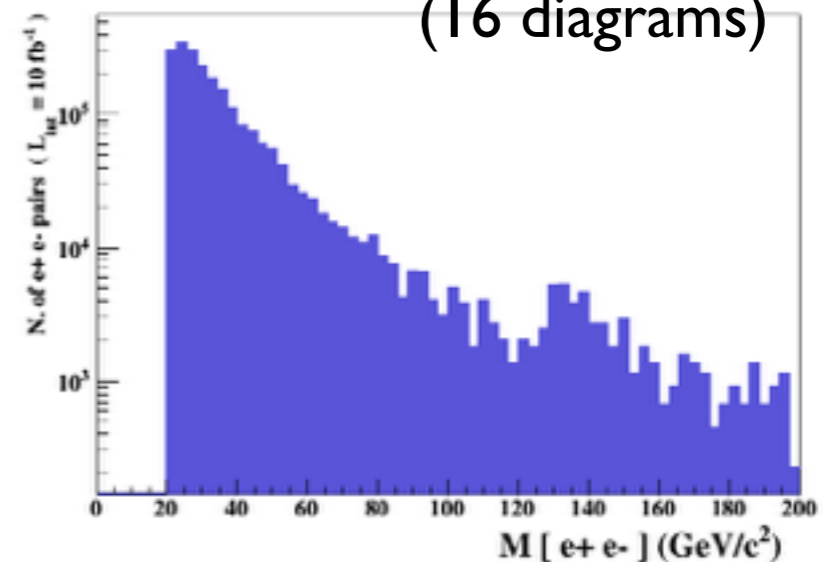
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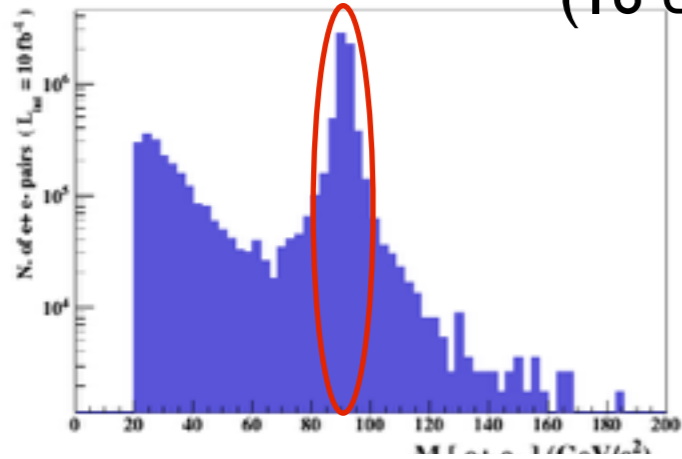
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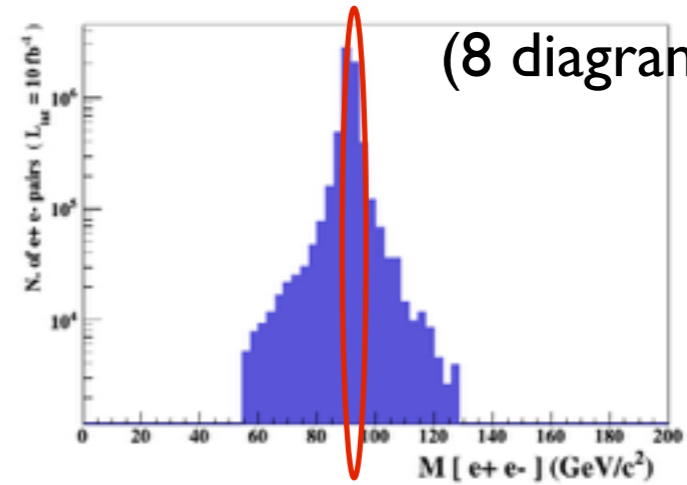
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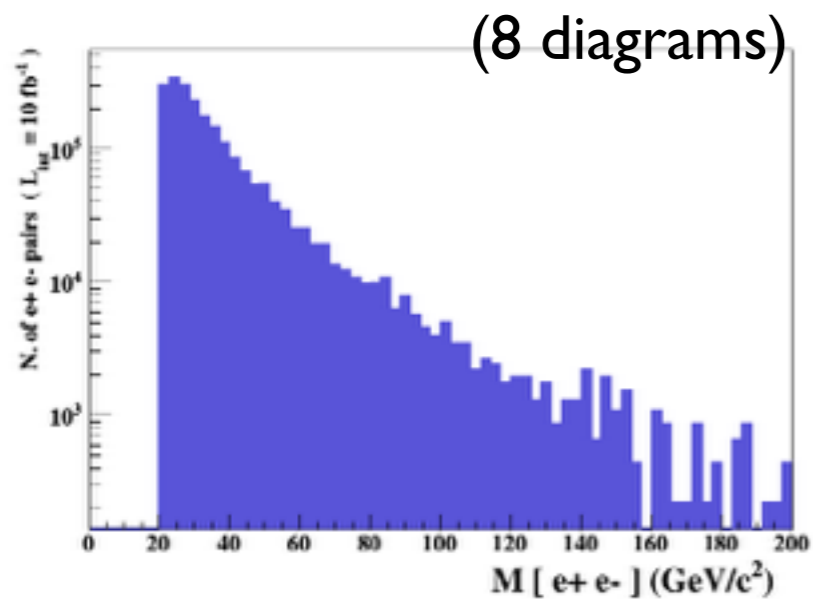
Correct Distribution

Z Peak

$p p \rightarrow z, z \rightarrow e^+ e^-$
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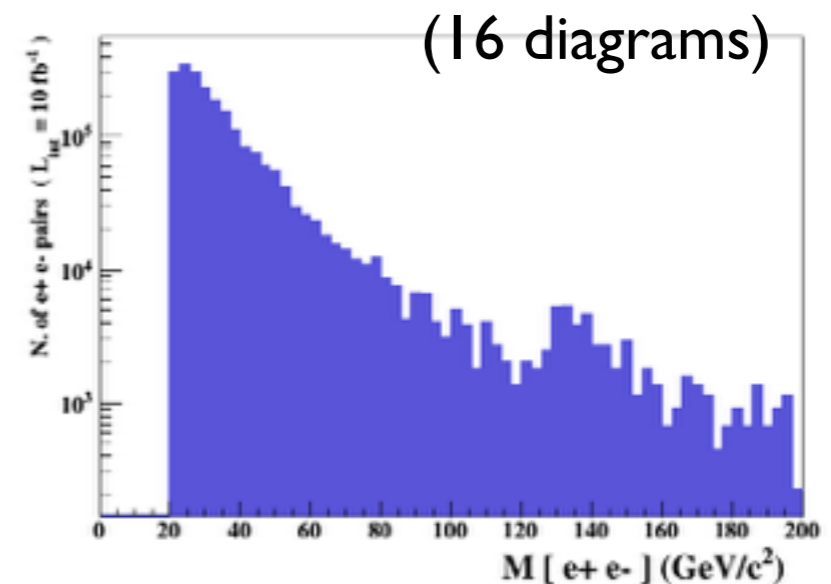
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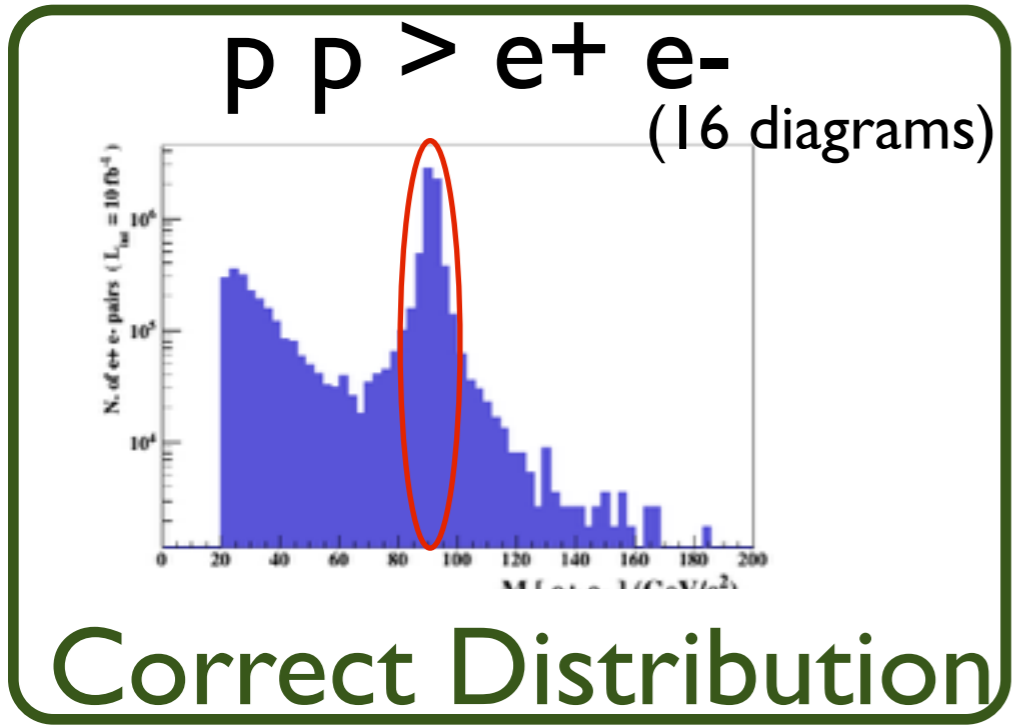
No Z

NO Z Peak

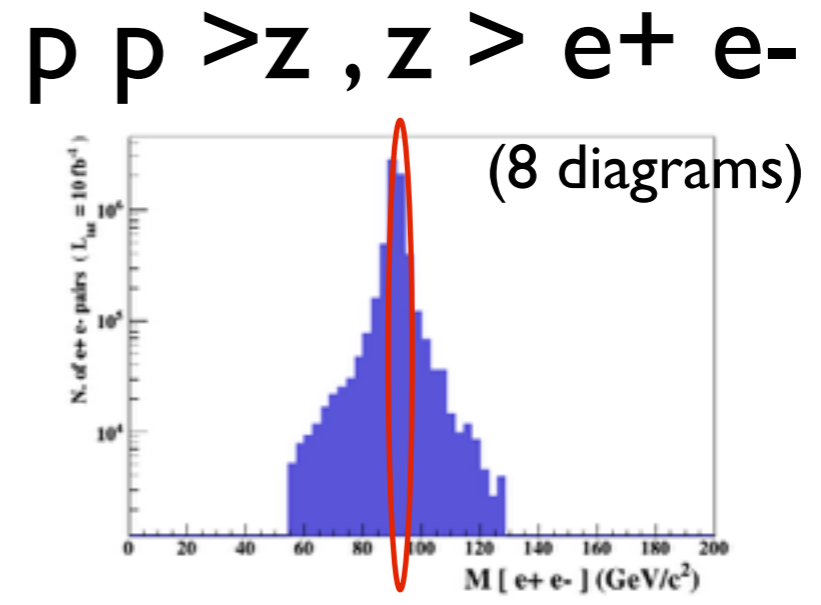
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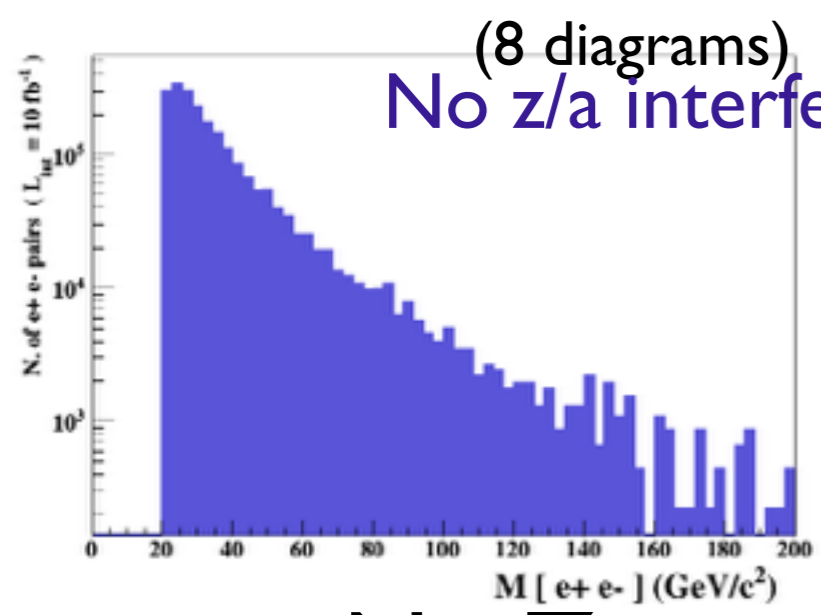


Z Peak



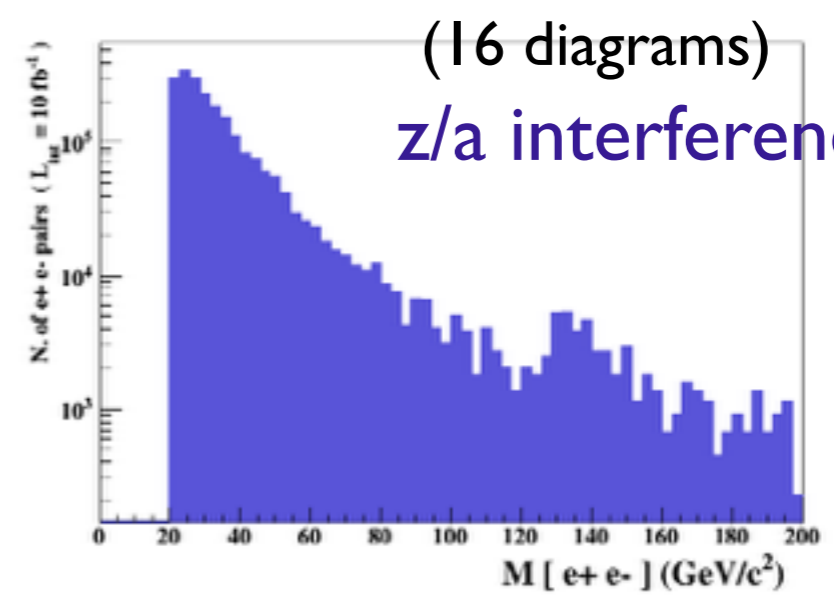
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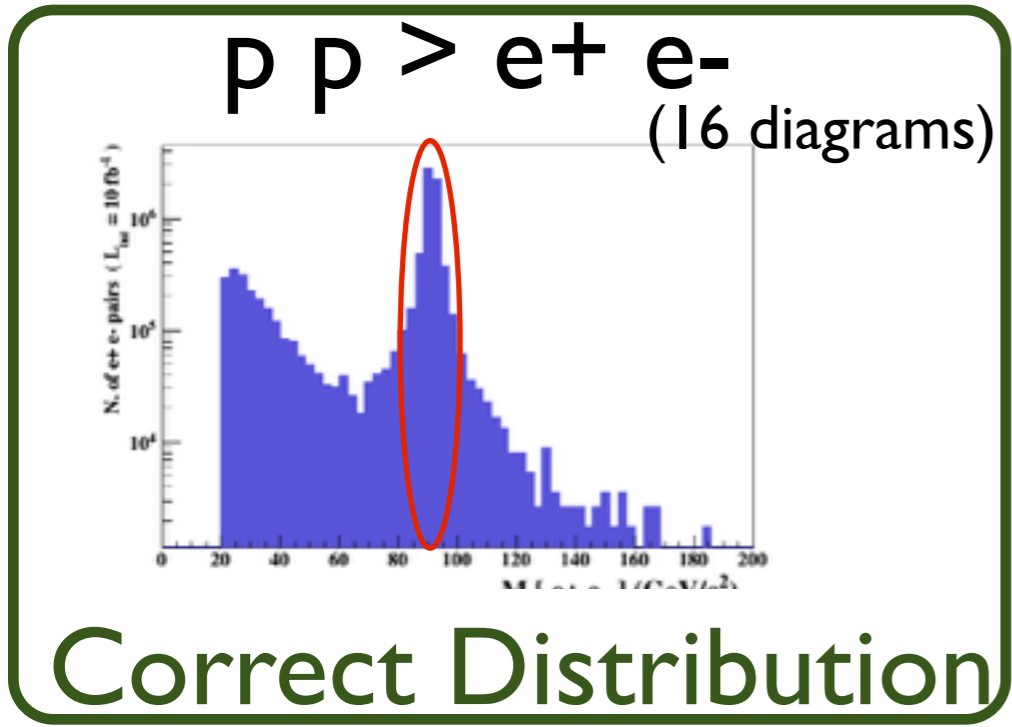


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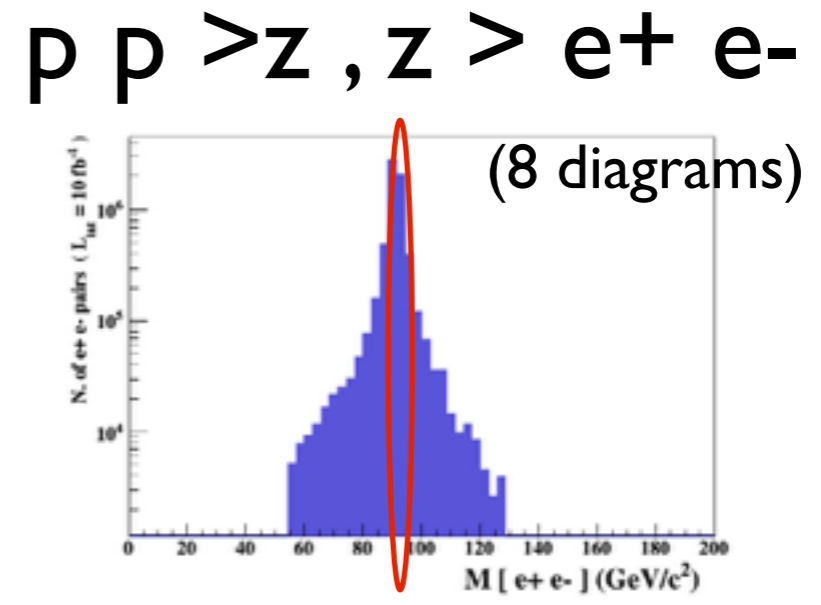
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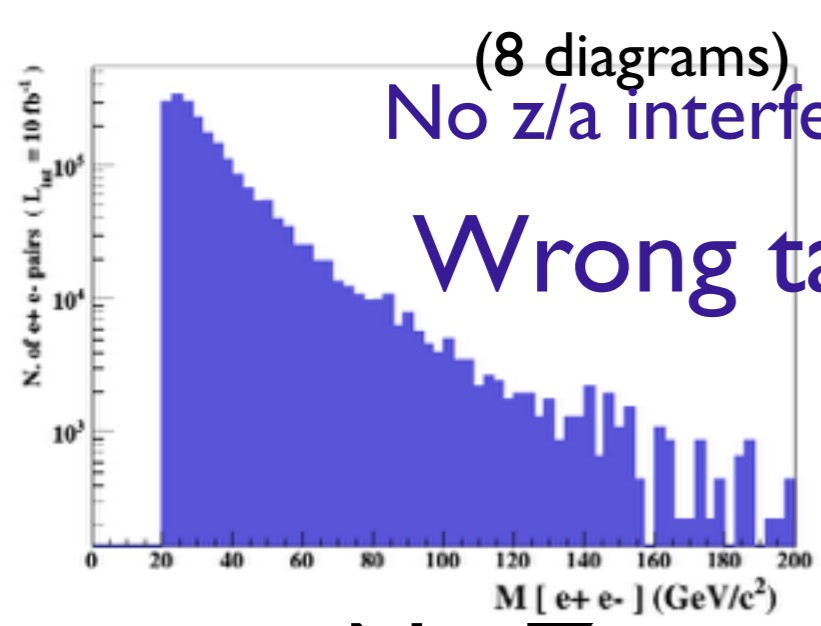


Z Peak



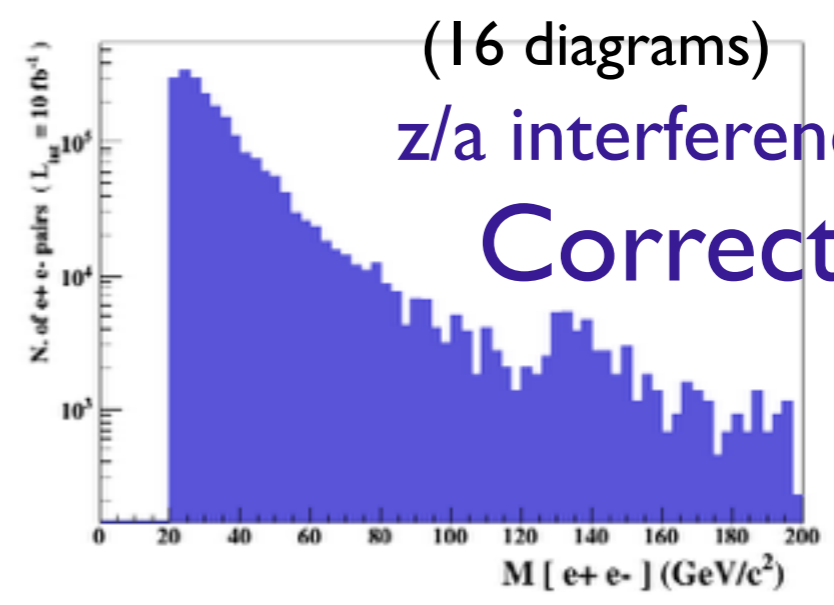
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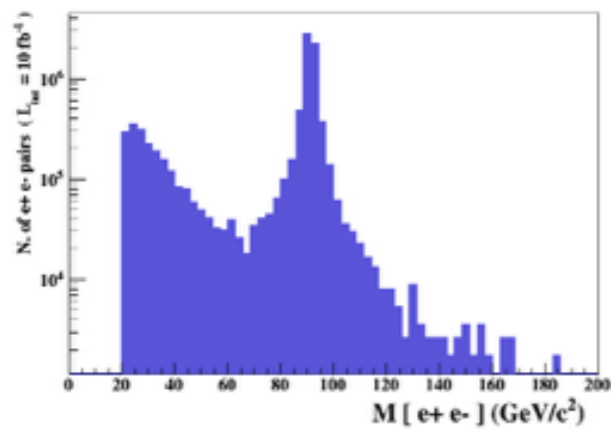


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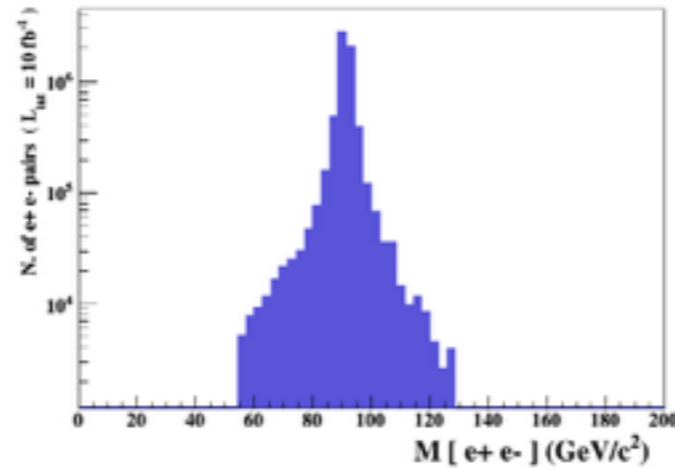
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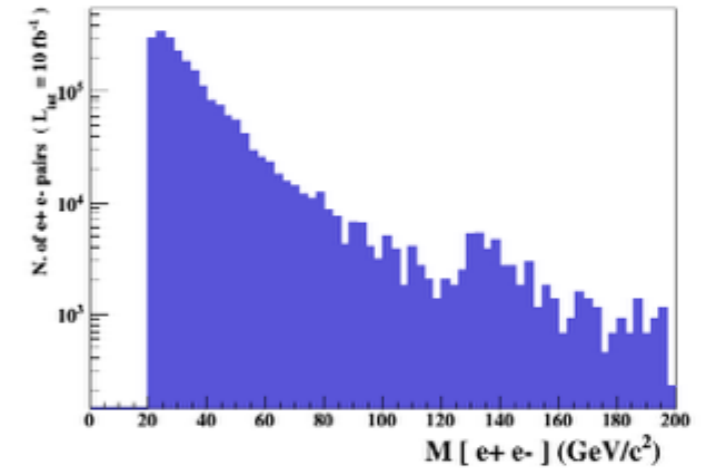
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Onshell cut: BW_cut

$$|M^* - M| < BW_{cut} * \Gamma$$

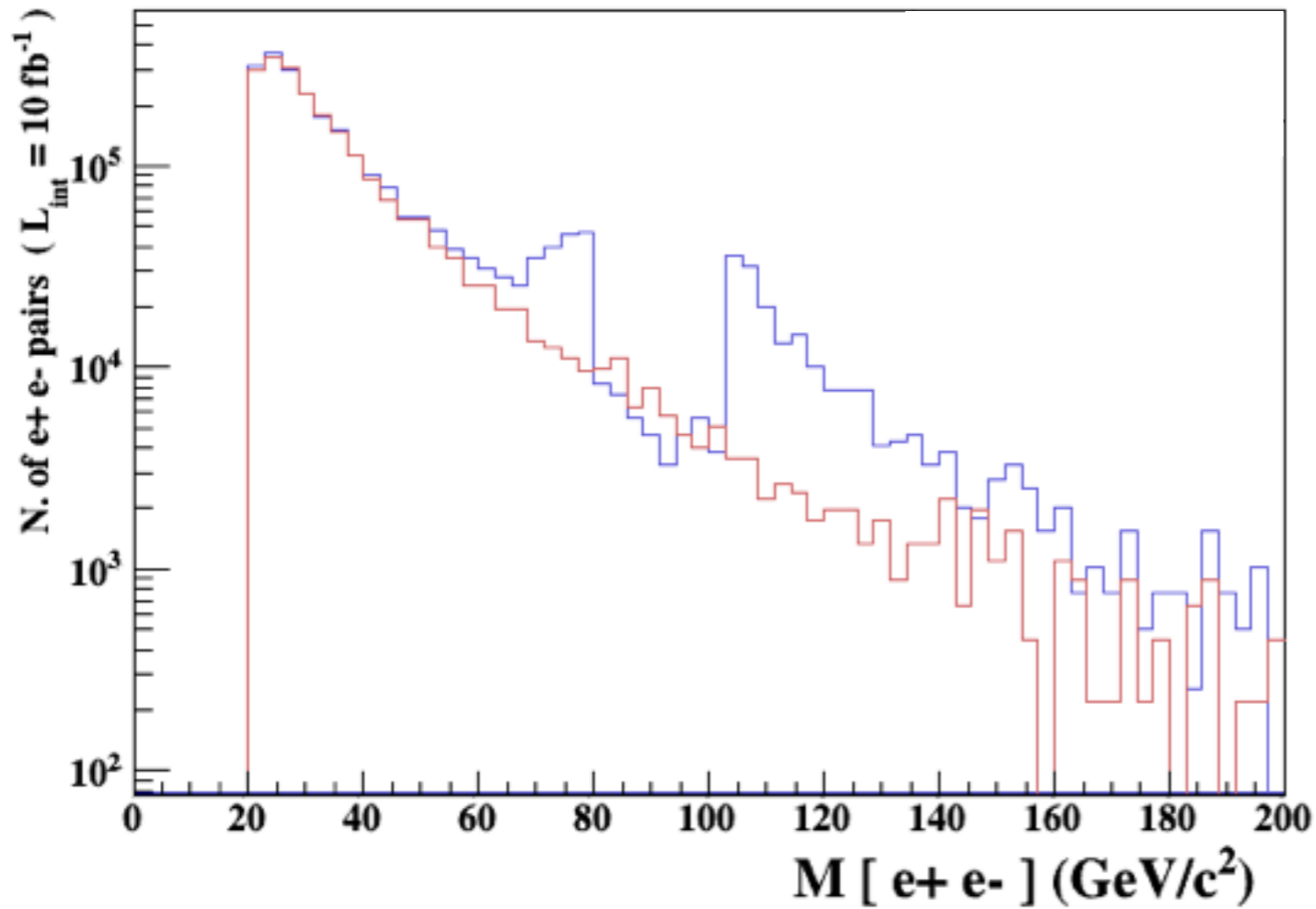
- The Physical distribution is (very close to) exact sum of the two other one.
- The “\$” forbids the Z to be onshell but the photon invariant mass can be at MZ (i.e. on shell subtraction).
- The “/” is to be avoid if possible since this leads to violation of gauge invariance.

- NEXT SLIDE is generated with `bw_cut = 5`
- This is **TOO SMALL** to have a physical meaning (15 the default value used in previous plot is better)
- This was done to **illustrate** more in detail how the “\$” syntax works.

$p p > e^+ e^- / Z$

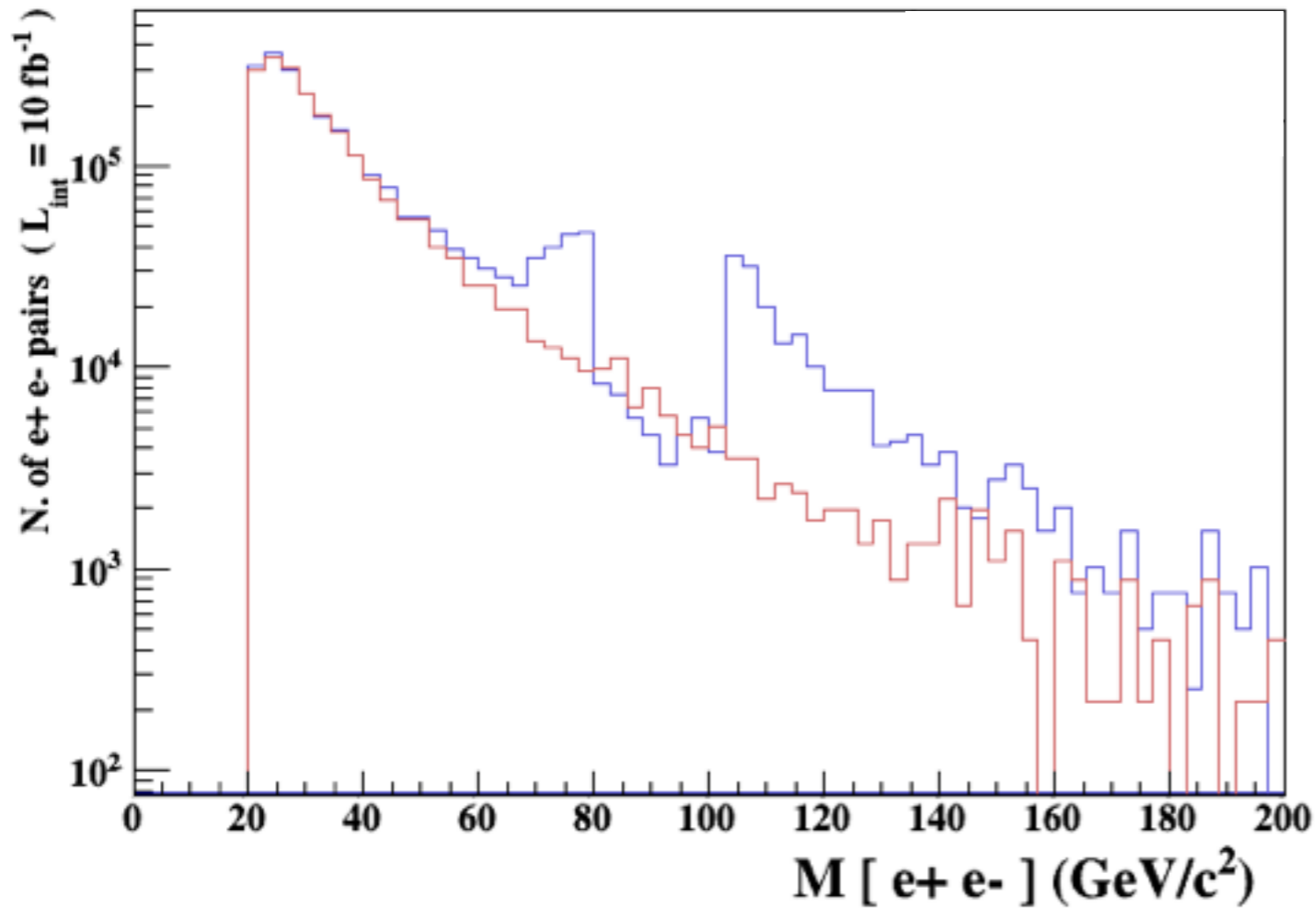
(red curve)

(blue curve)



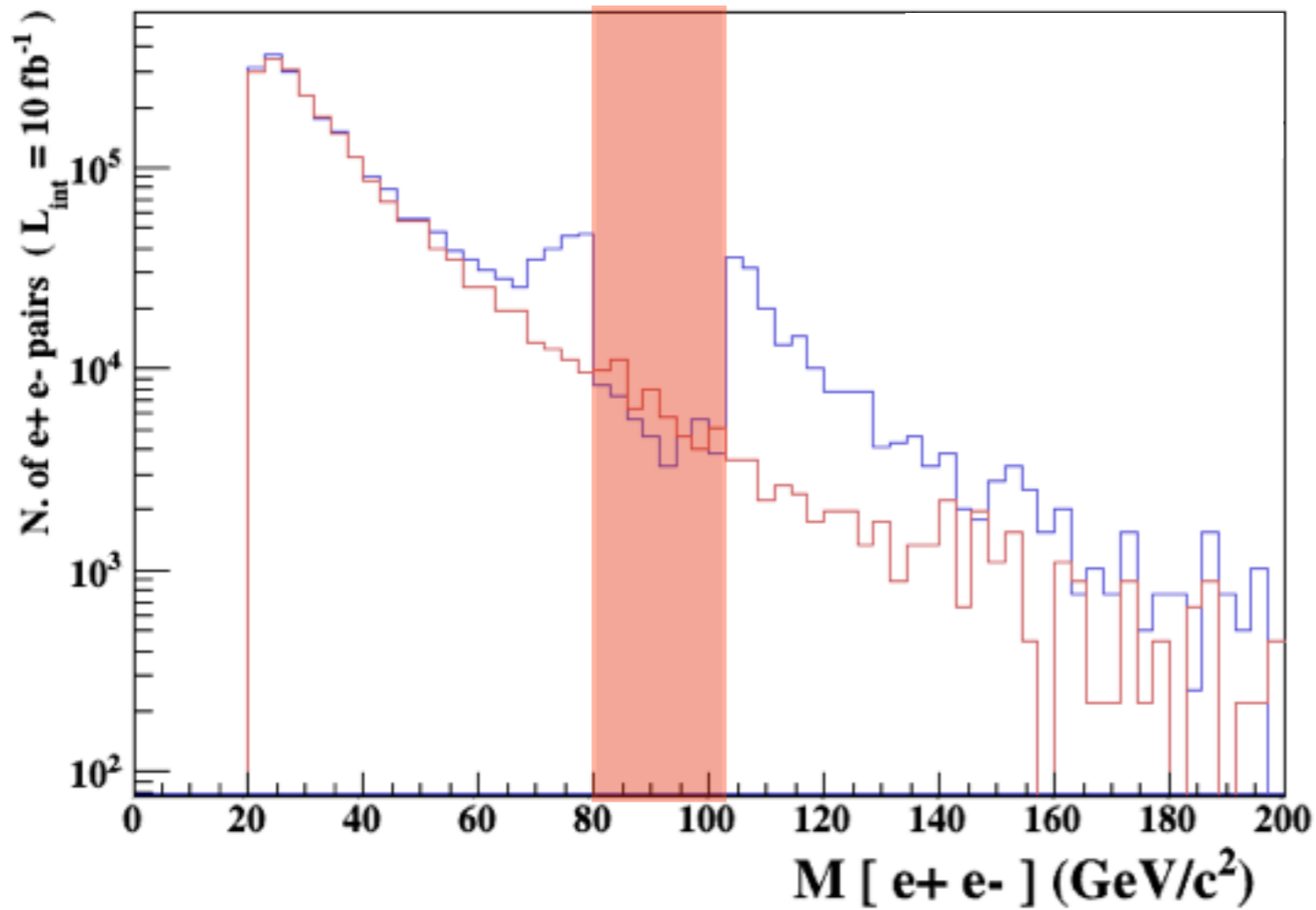
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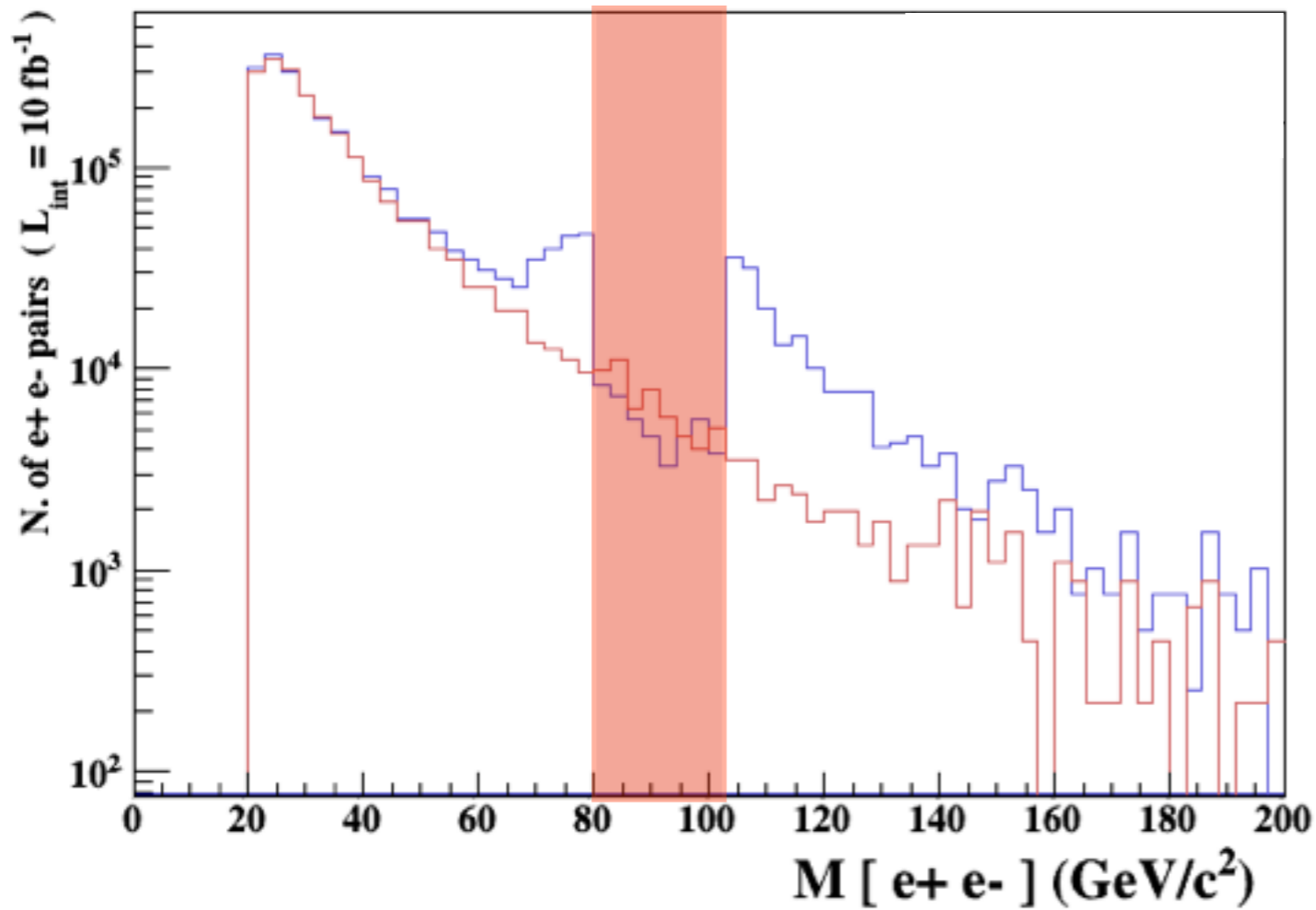


- Z onshell veto

5 times width area

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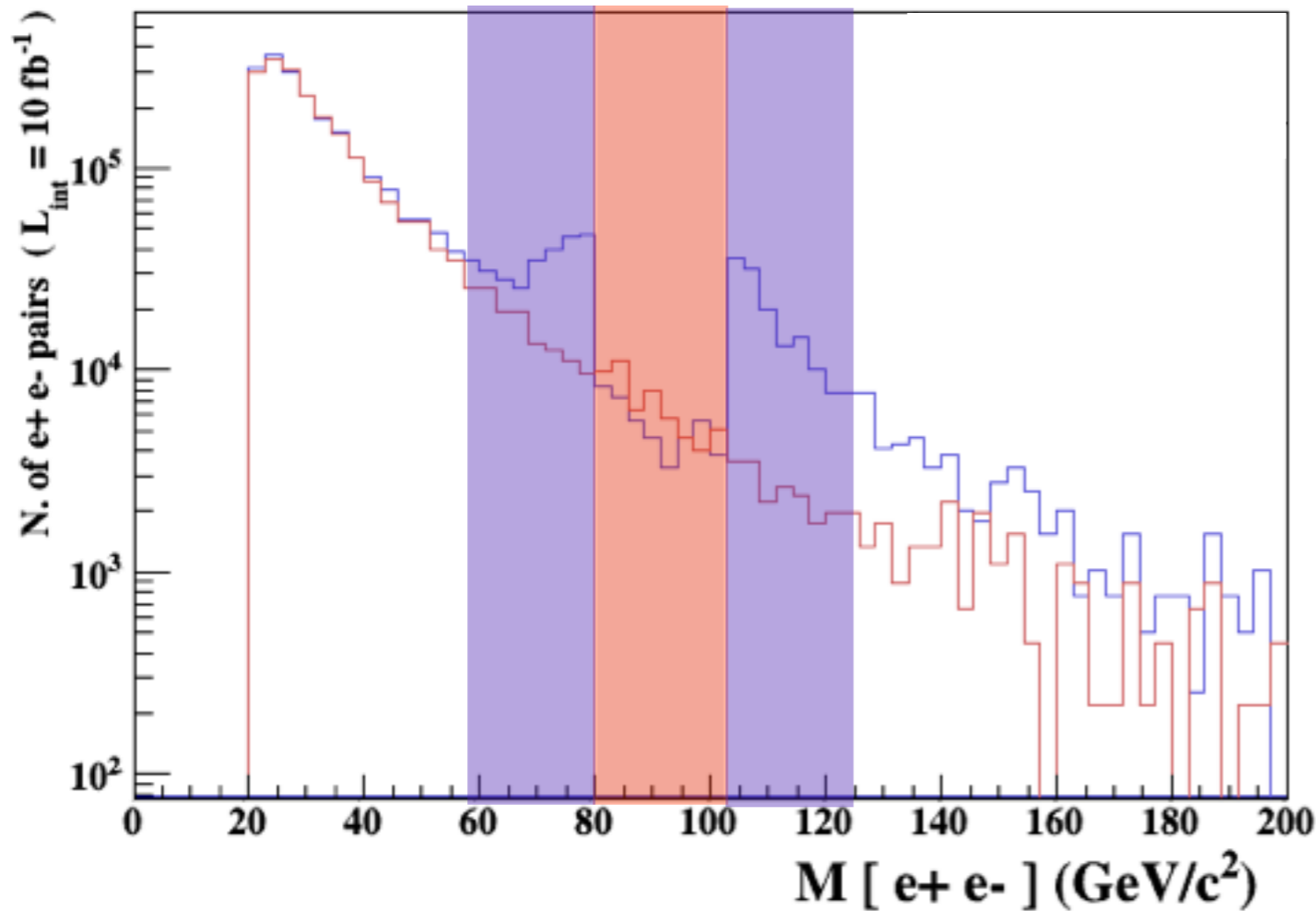


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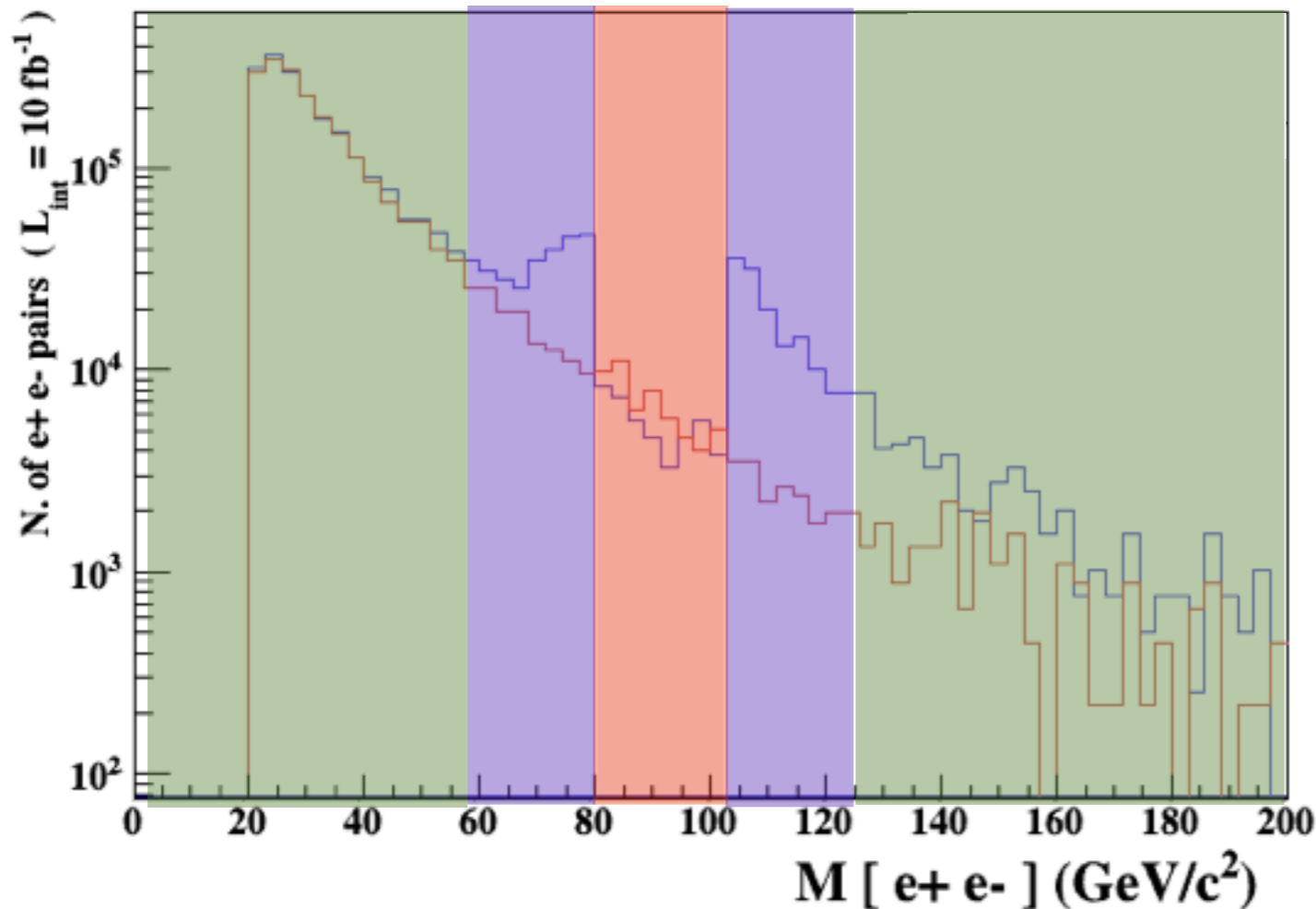
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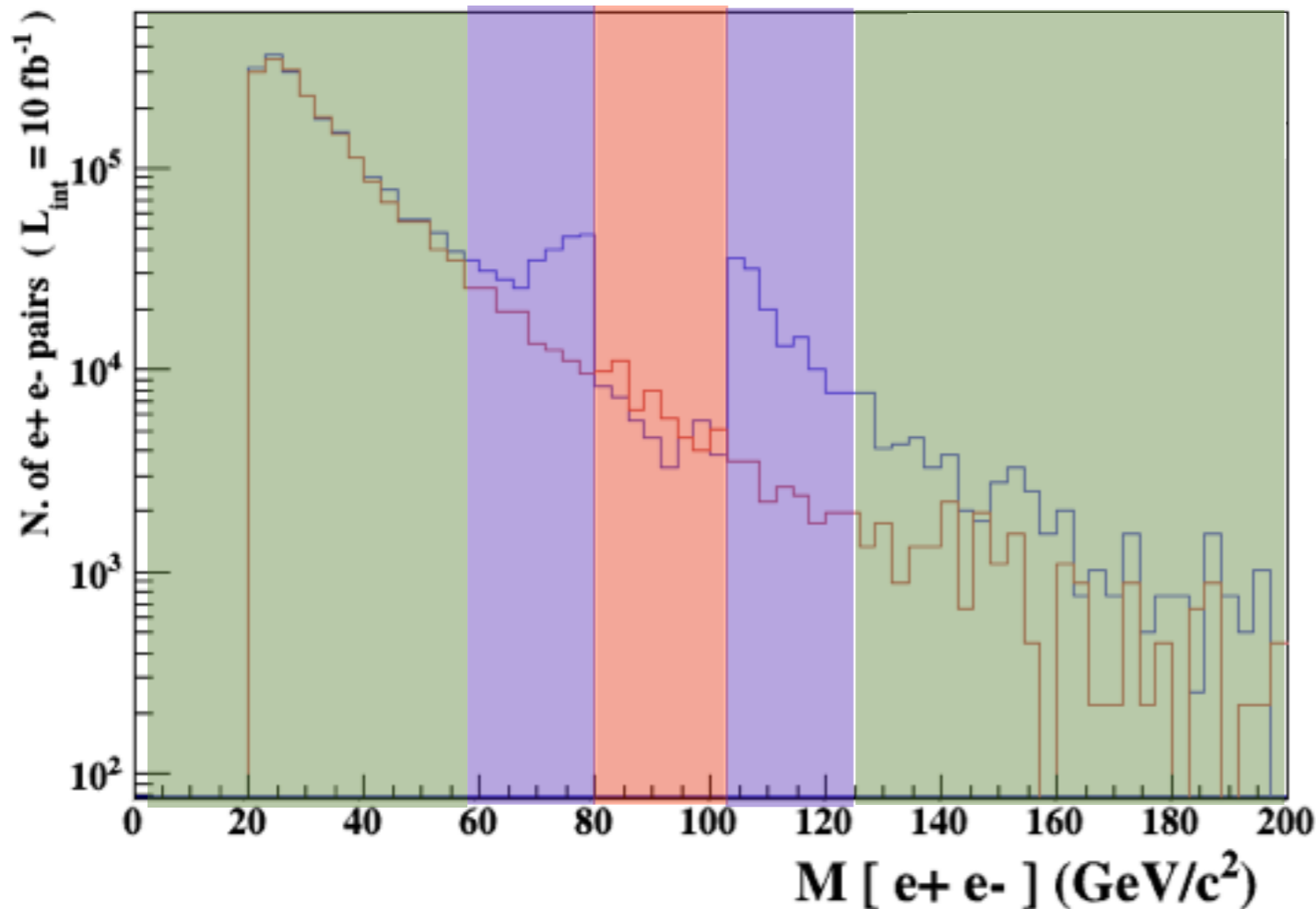
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The “\$” can be use to split the sample in BG/SG area

- Syntax Like

→ $p p > z > e^+ e^-$

(ask one S-channel z)

→ $p p > e^+ e^- / z$

(forbids any z)

→ $p p > e^+ e^- \$\$ z$

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check physical meaning and gauge/Lorentz invariance if you do.

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 - $p p \rightarrow z, z \rightarrow e^+ e^-$ (on-shell z decaying)
 - $p p \rightarrow e^+ e^- \cancel{z}$ (forbids s-channel z to be on-shell)
- Are linked to cut $|M^* - M| < BW_{cut} * \Gamma$
- Are more safer to use
- **Prefer** those syntax to the previous slides one

- Look at the cross-section for the previous process for 3 different mass points.
 - ➔ **hint:** you can edit the param_card/run_card via the “set” command [**After** the launch]
 - ➔ **hint:** All command [including answer to question] can be put in a file.

- File content:

```
import model sm
generate p p > t t~
output
launch
set mt 160
set wt Auto
done
launch
set mt 165
set wt Auto
launch
set mt 170
set wt Auto
launch
set mt 175
set wt Auto
launch
set mt 180
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launch
set mt 185
set wt Auto
```

- Run it by:
 - `./bin/mg5 PATH`
 - (smarter than `./bin/mg5 < PATH`)
- If an answer to a question is not present: **Default is taken** automatically

- In `run_card`: put `icckw=1`
 - ➔ set the value for `xqcut`
- In `pythia_card` set a value for `qcut`

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Fast

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- matching scale too high only the 0 jet sample contributes => all radiations are from pythia

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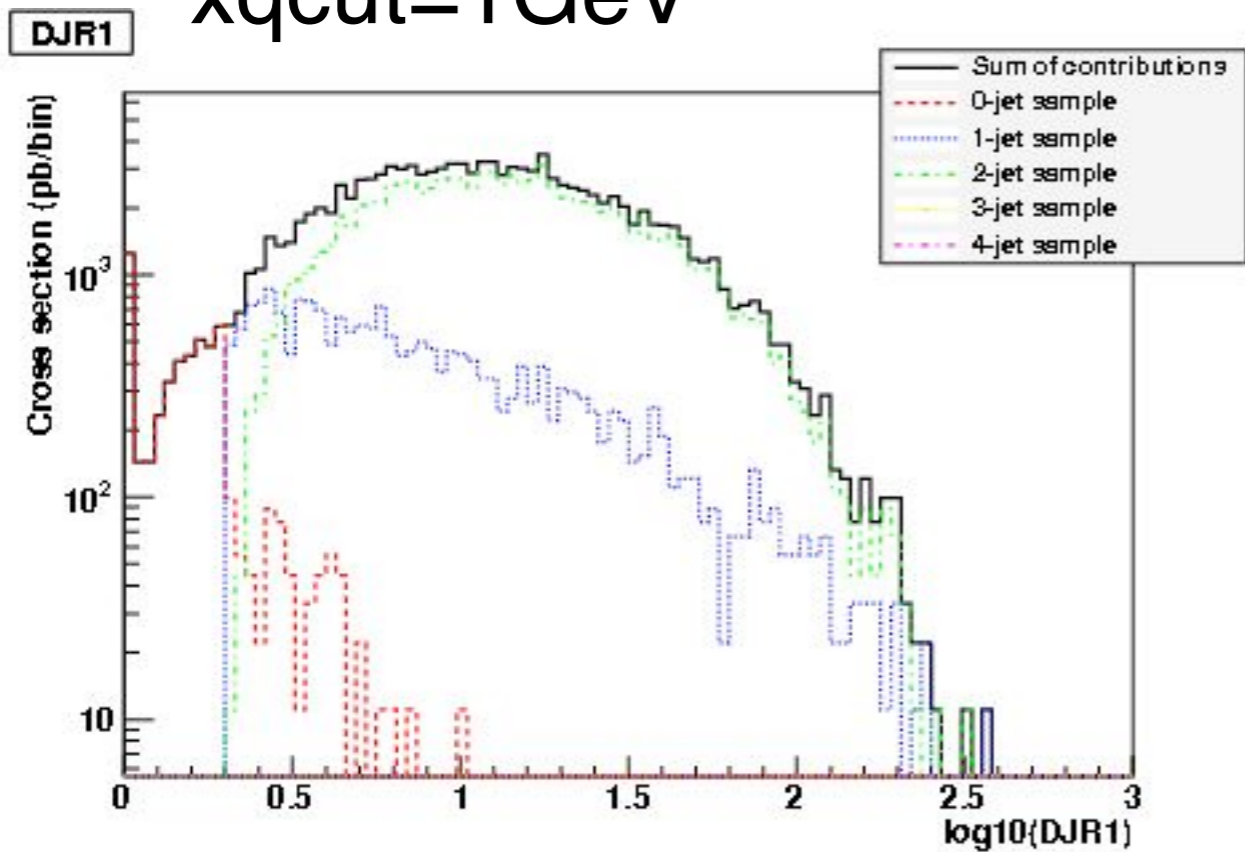
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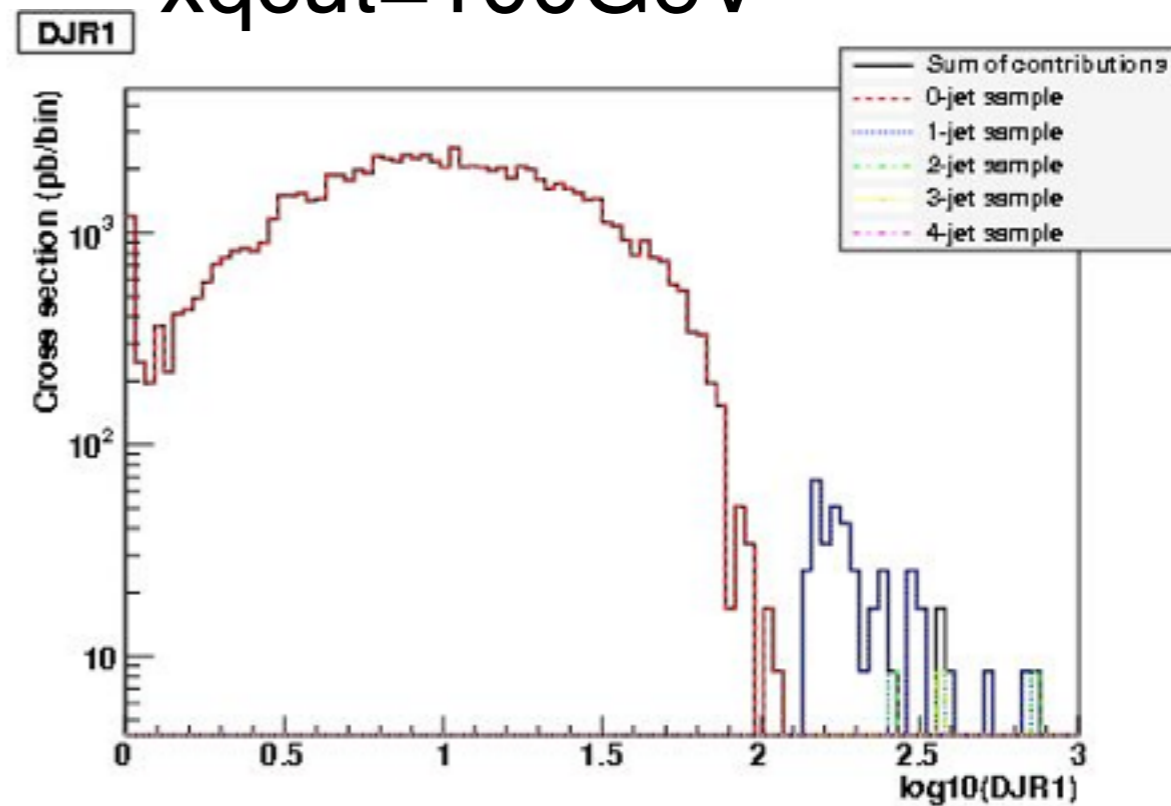
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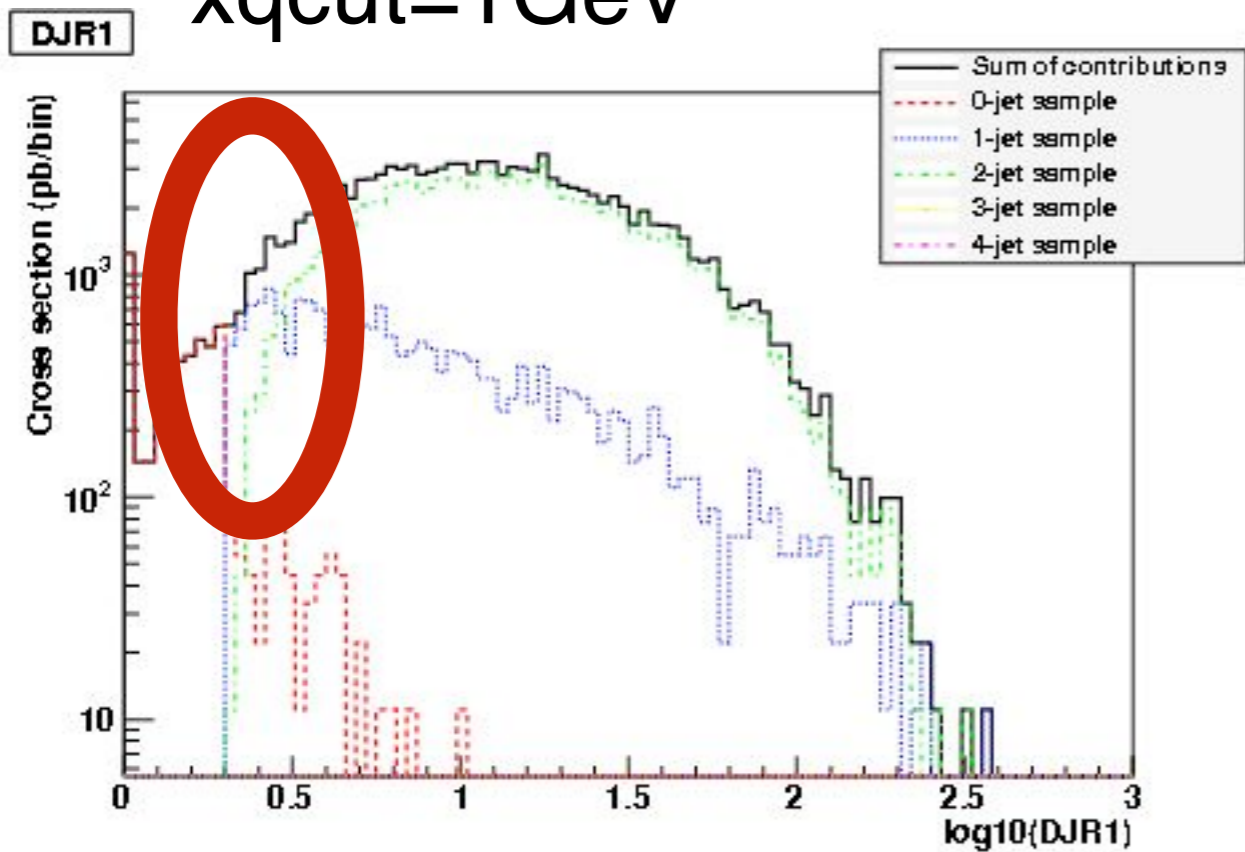
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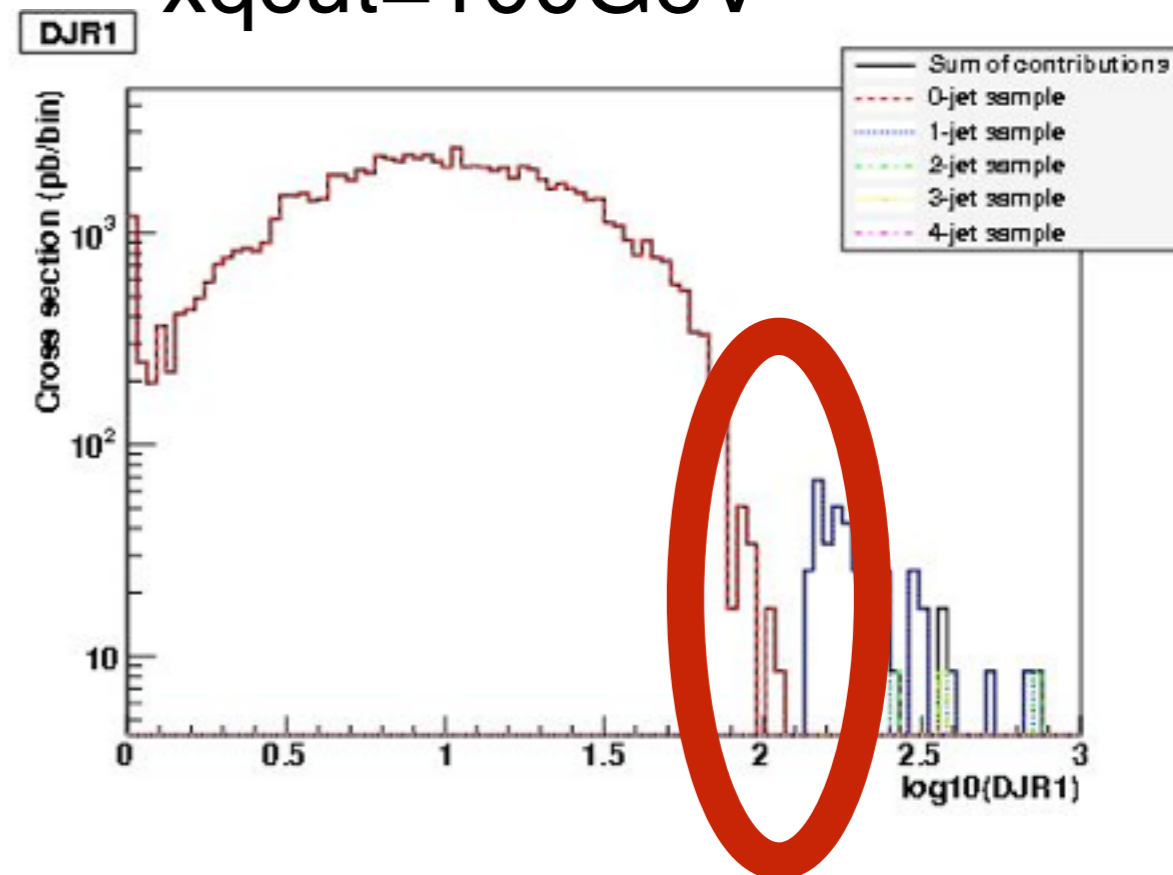
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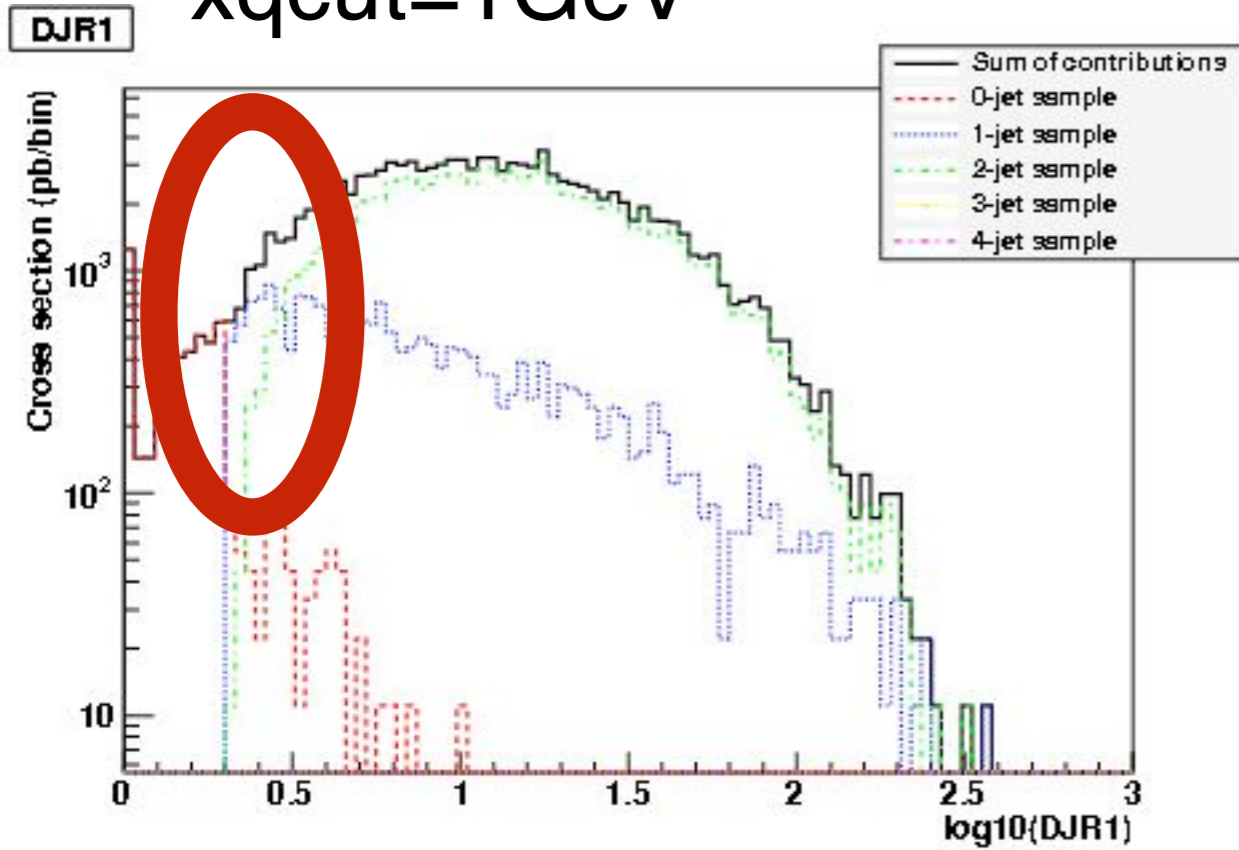
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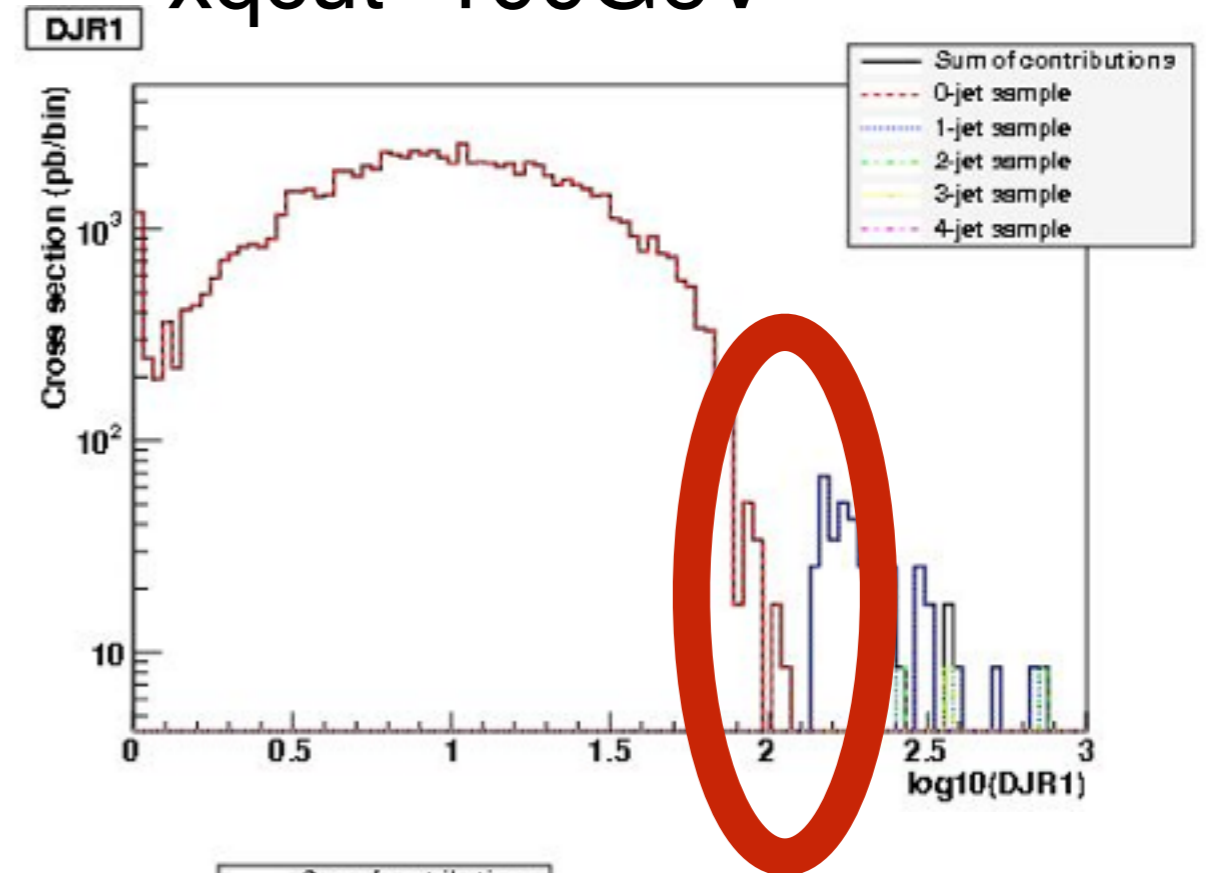
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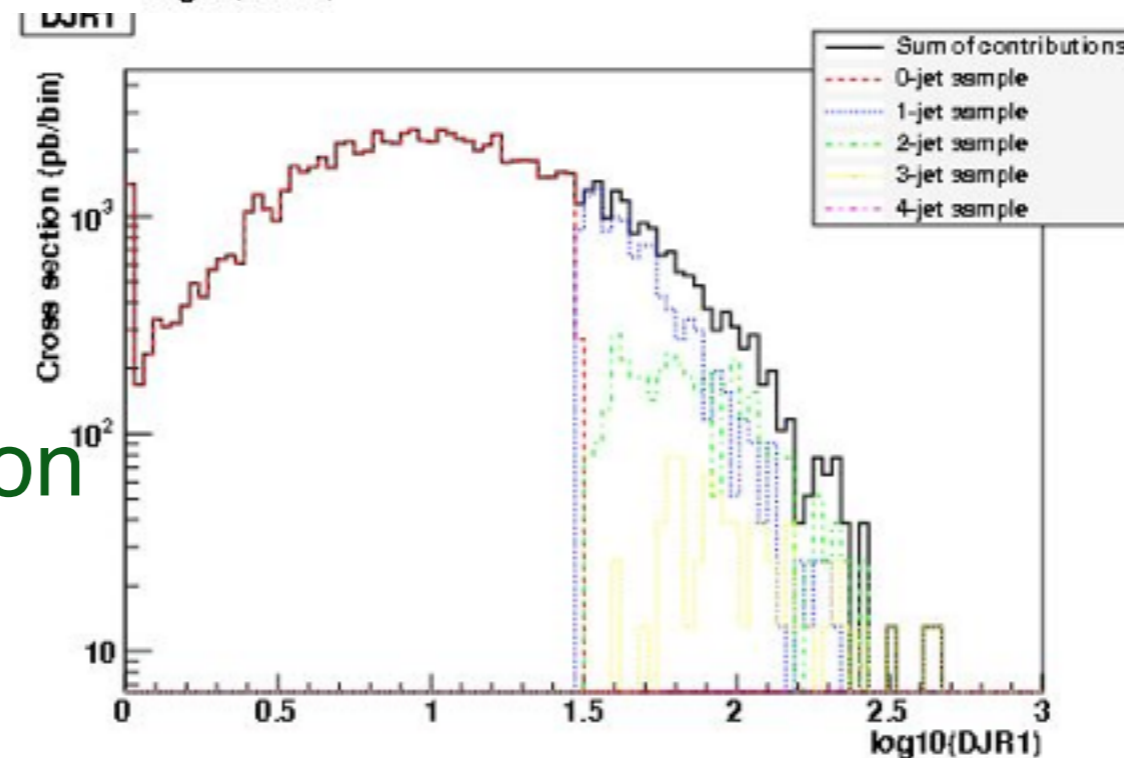
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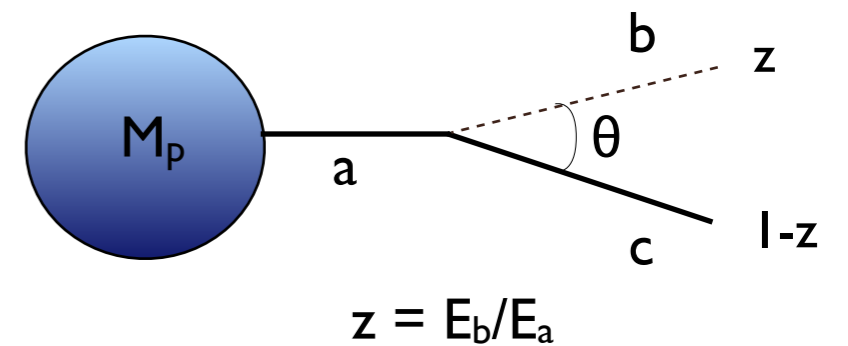
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- Relatively stable cross-section! Important check.
- Close to the unmatched 0j cross-section

Matching Appendix

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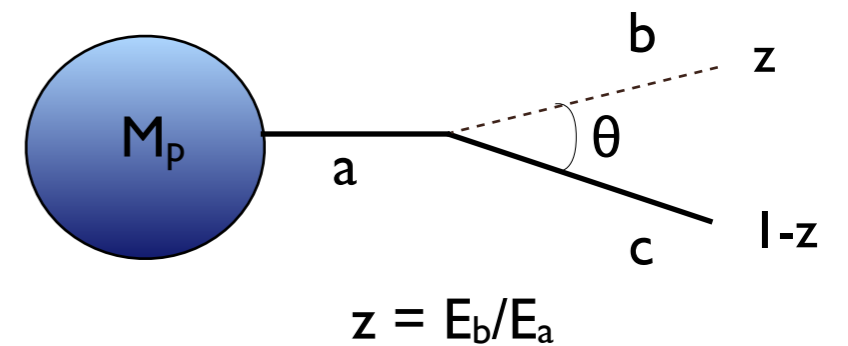
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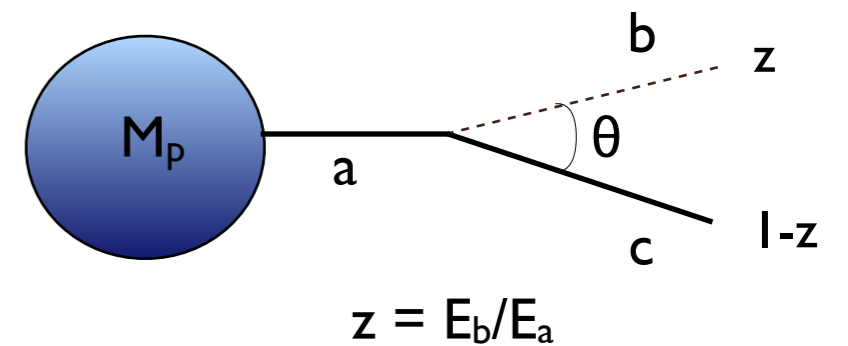
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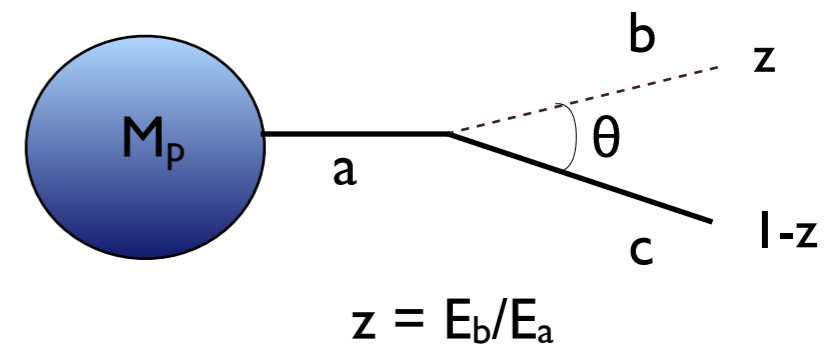
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$$|\mathcal{M}_{n+1}|^2 d\Phi_{n+1} \simeq |\mathcal{M}_n|^2 d\Phi_n \frac{dt}{t} dz \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{a \rightarrow bc}(z)$$

when θ is small.

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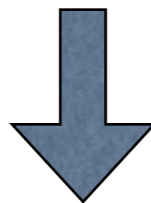


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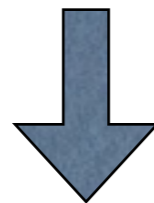
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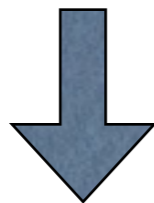


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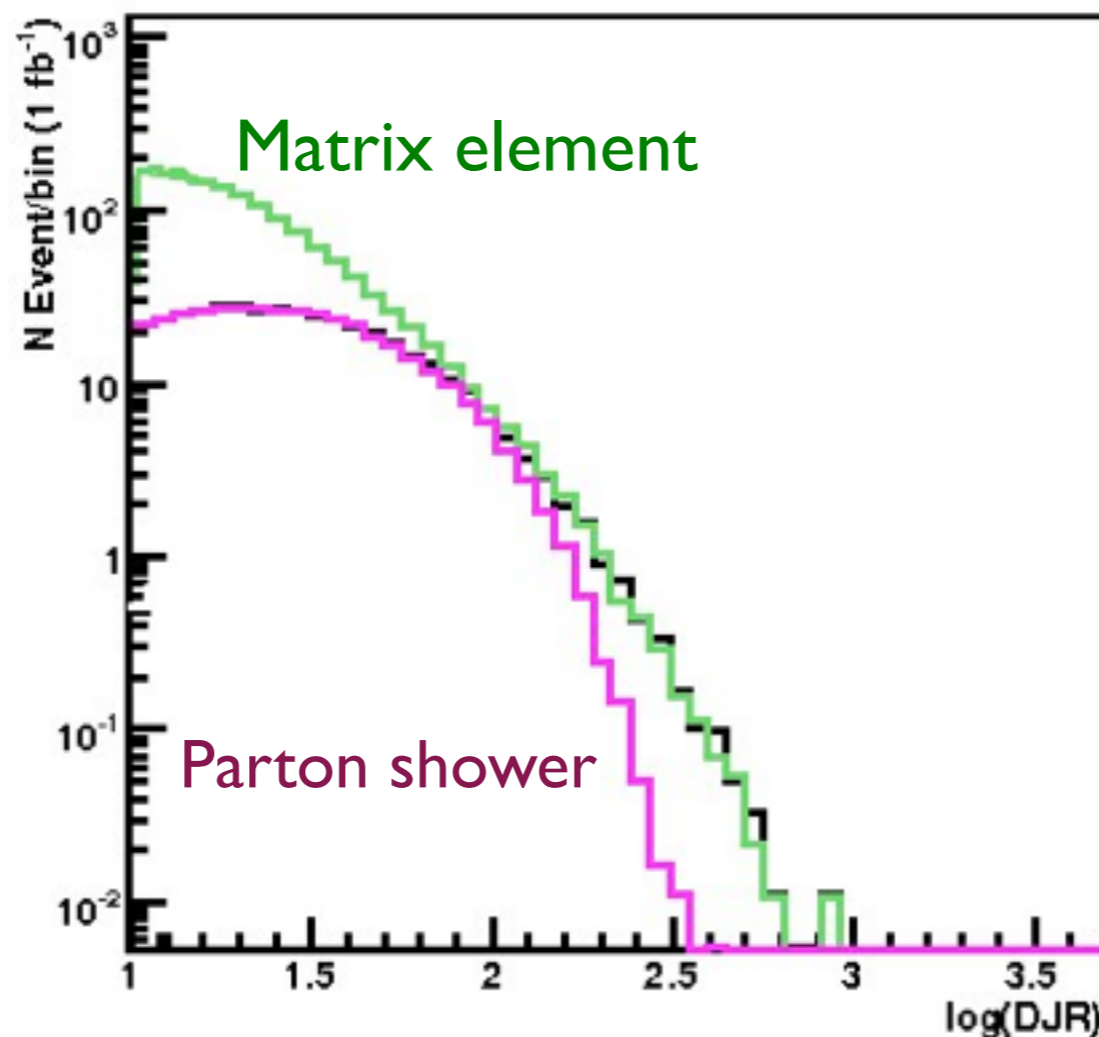


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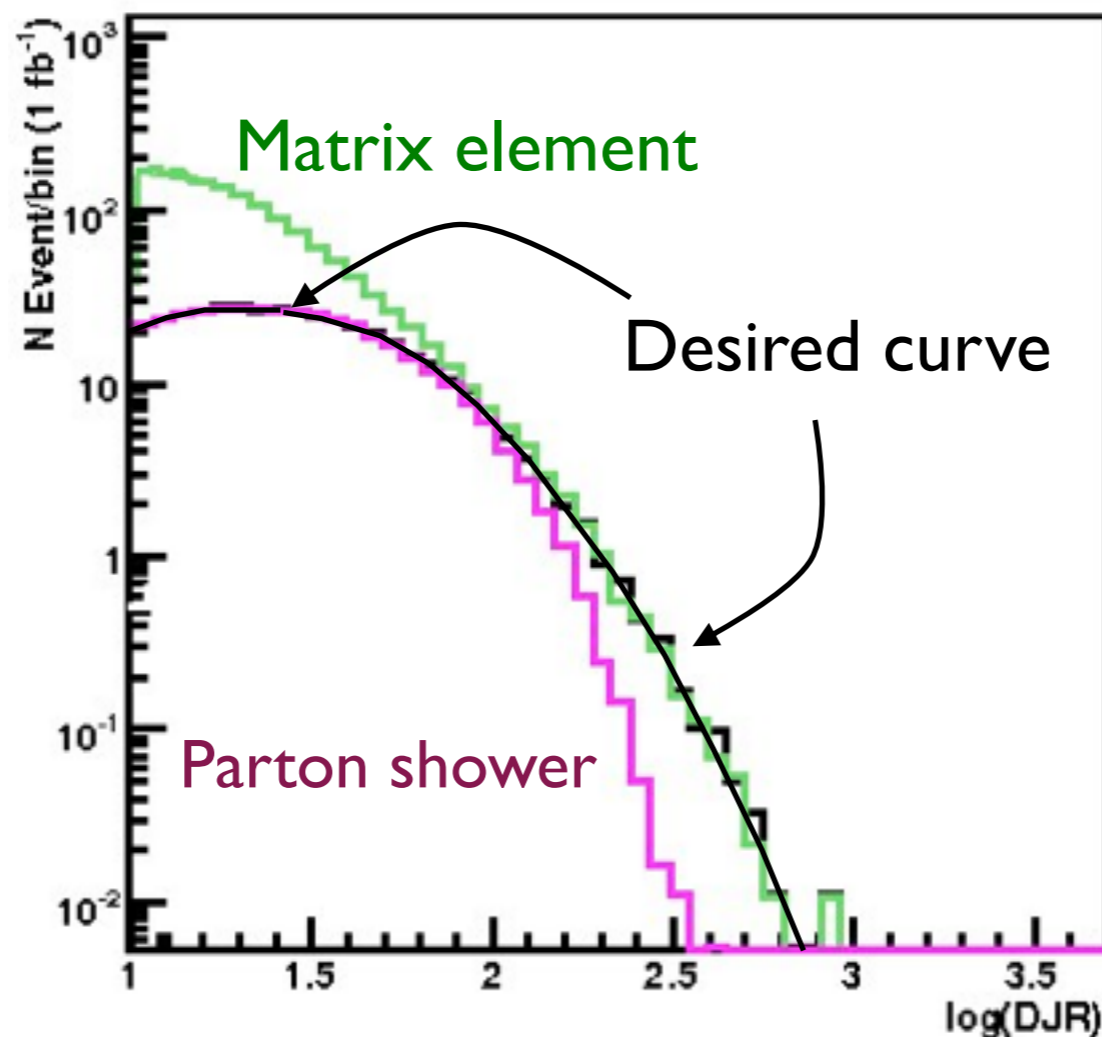
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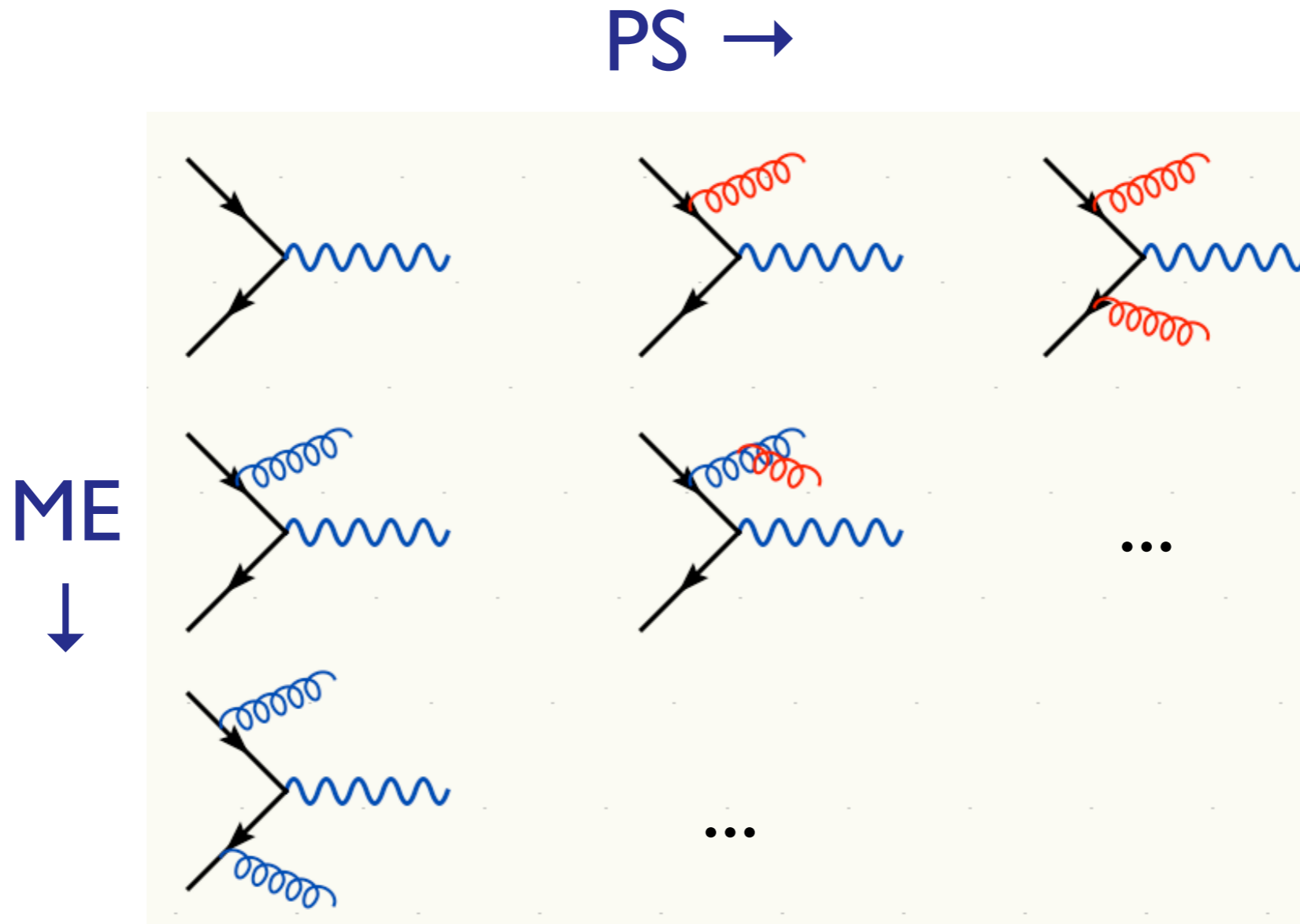
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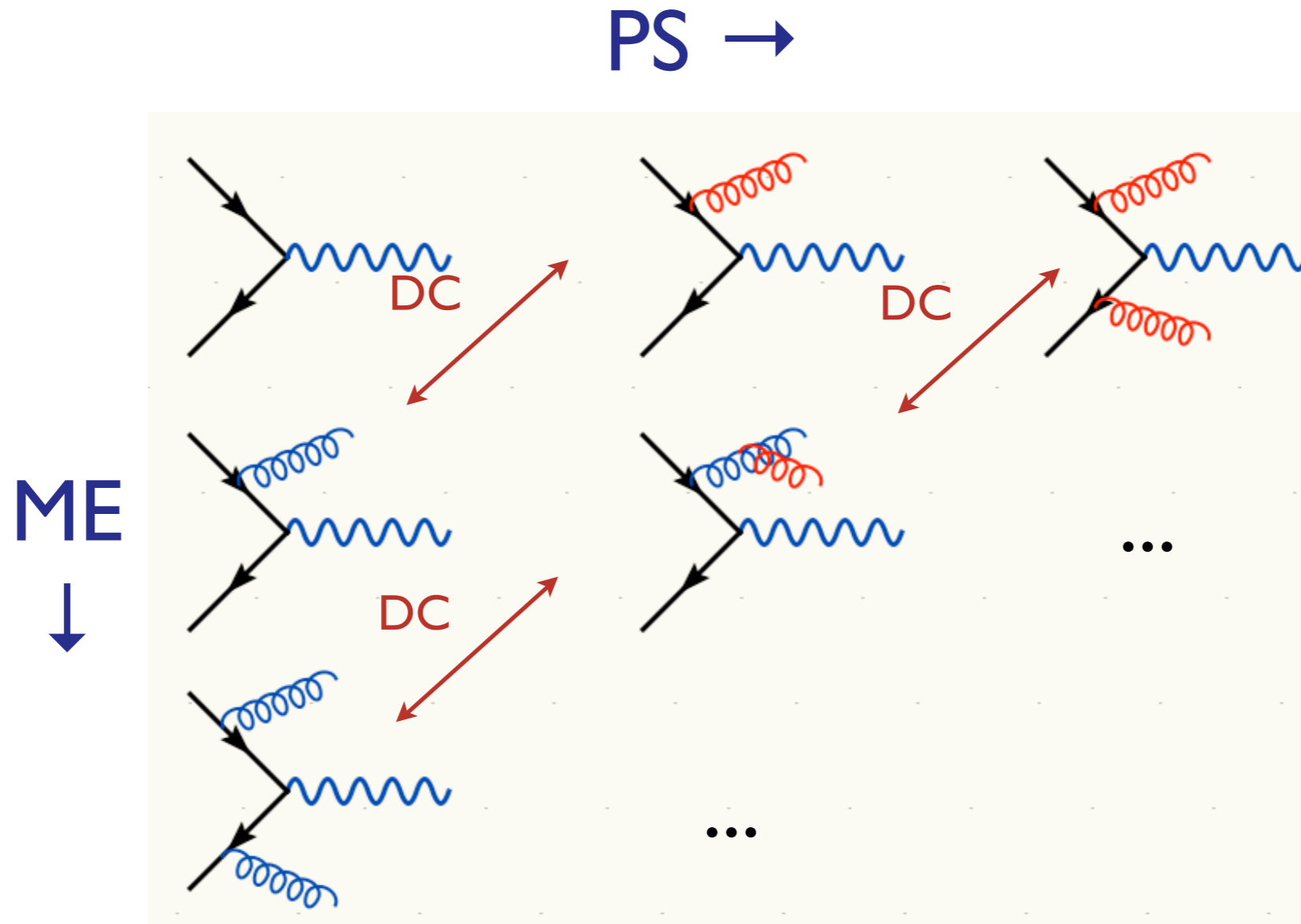


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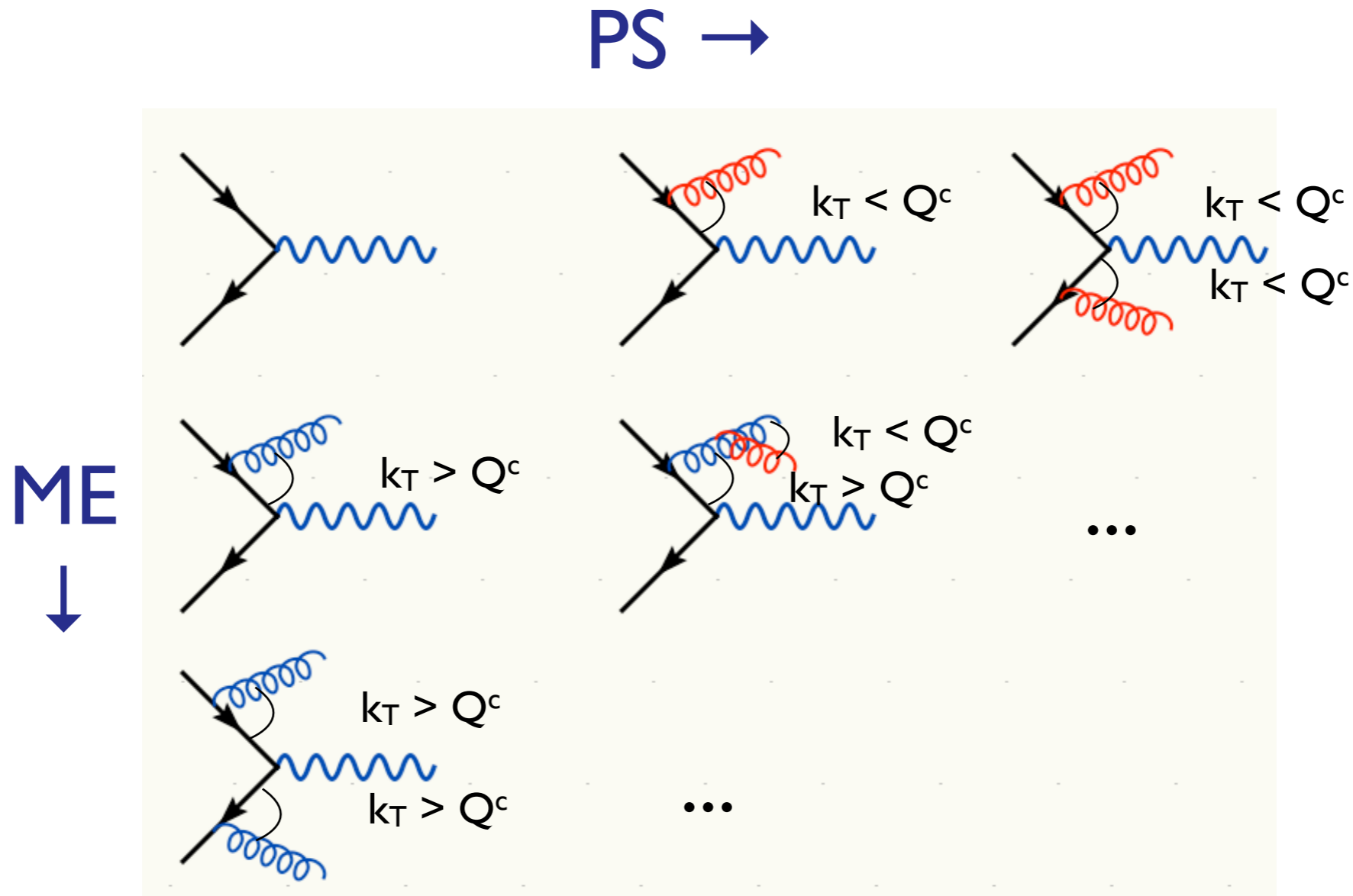
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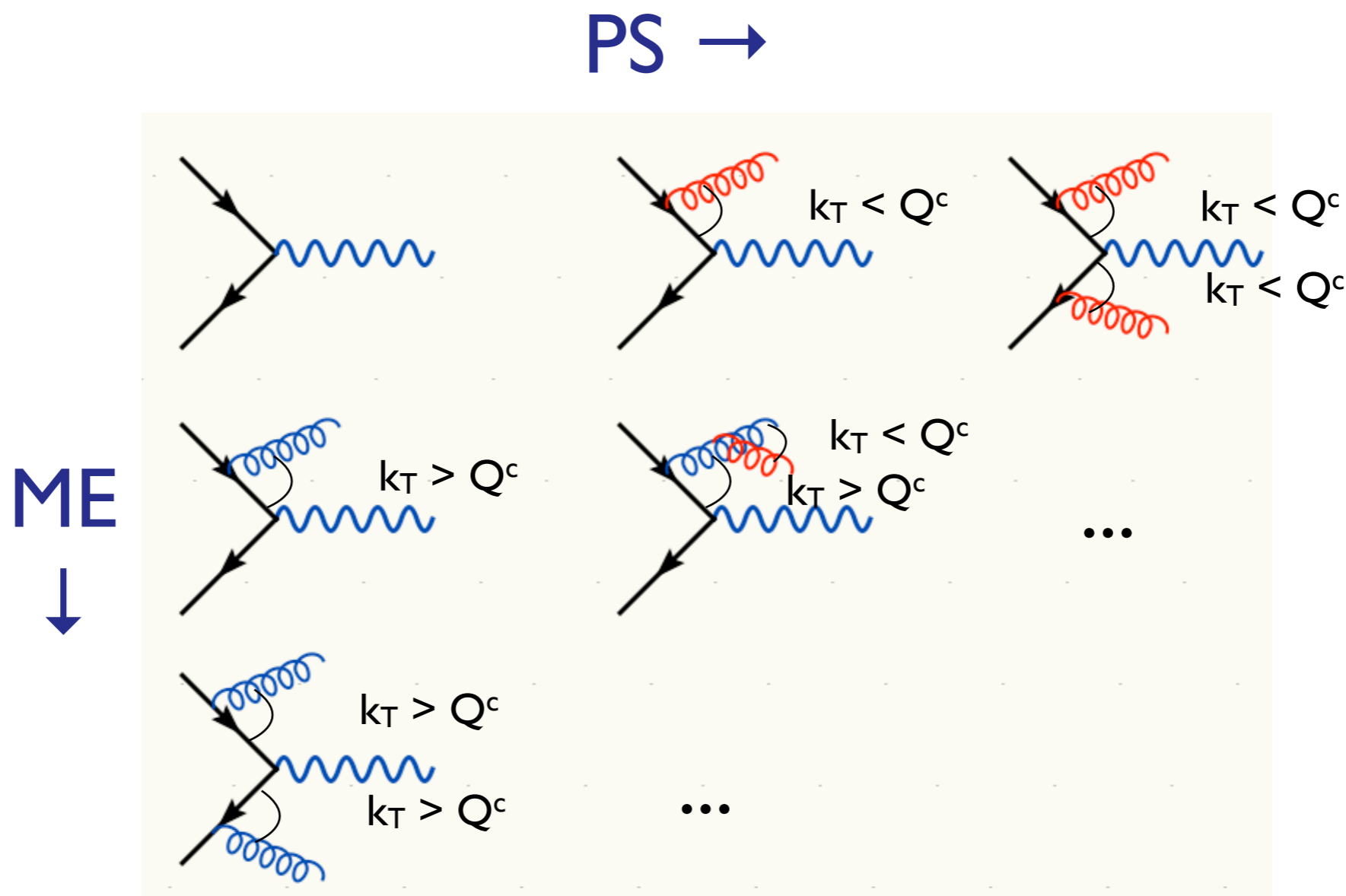
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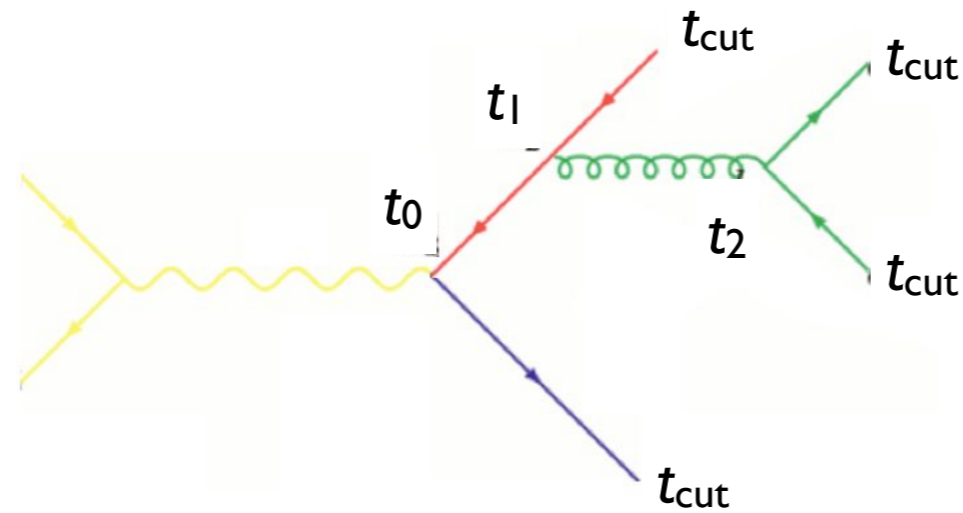


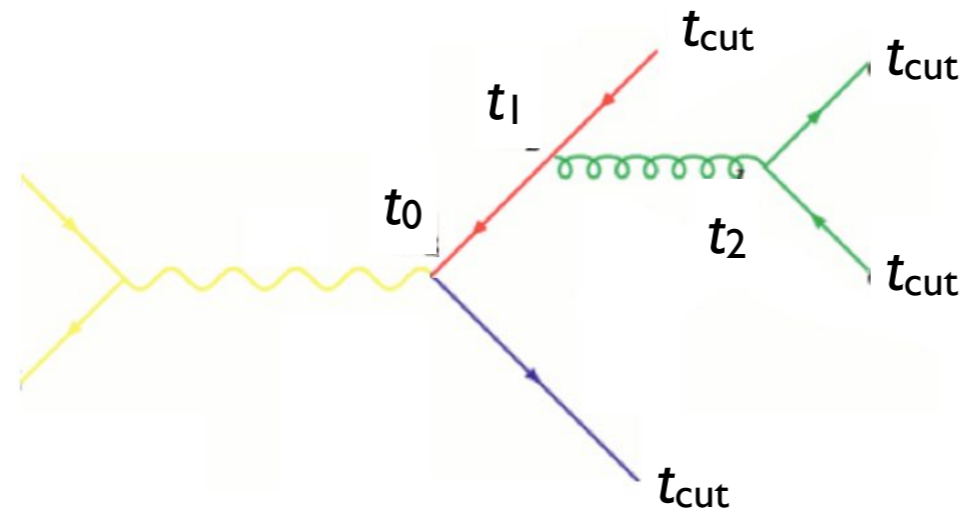
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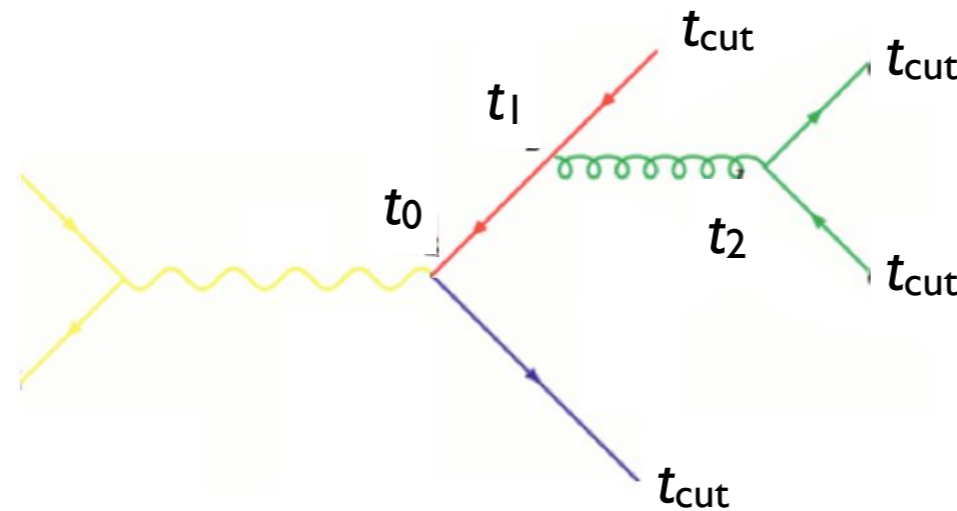
Double counting between ME and PS easily avoided using phase space cut between the two: PS below cutoff, ME above cutoff.

- So double counting problem easily solved, but what about getting smooth distributions that are independent of the precise value of Q^c ?
- Below cutoff, distribution is given by PS
 - need to make ME look like PS near cutoff
- Let's take another look at the PS!



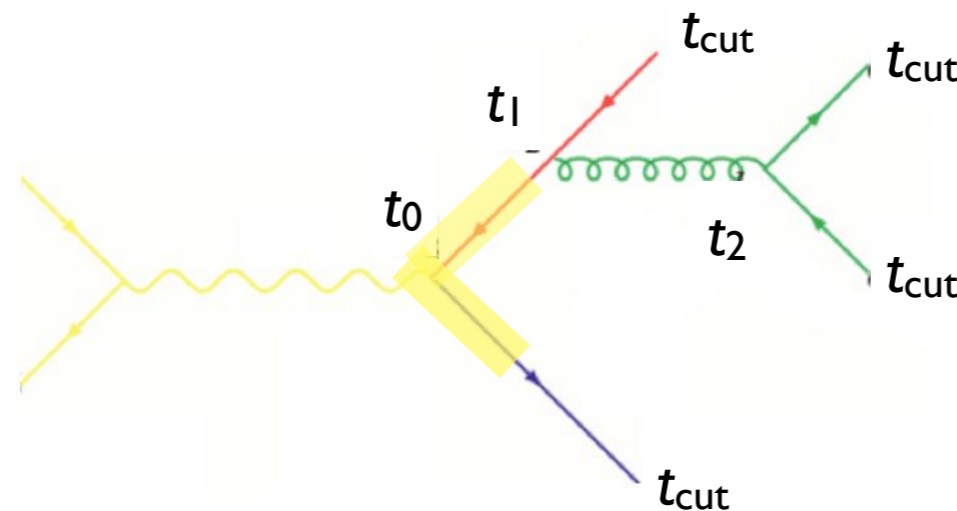


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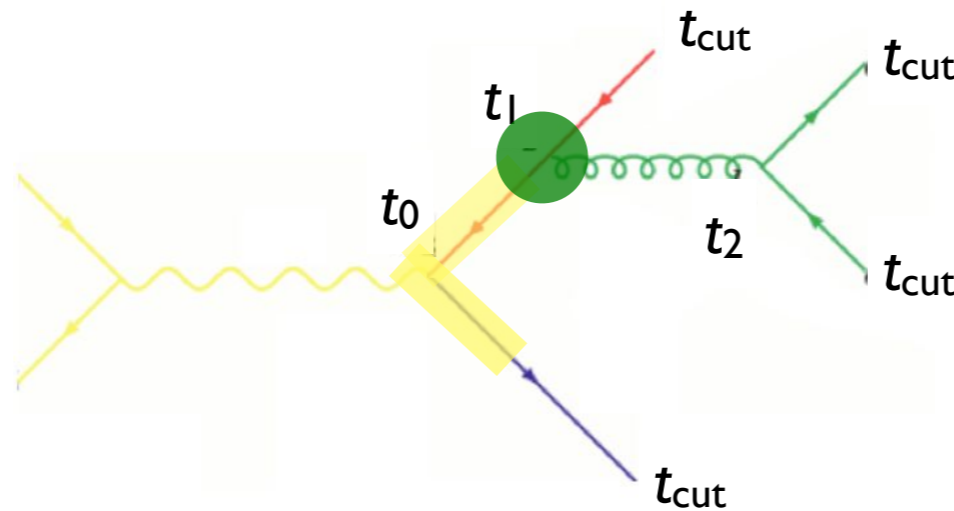
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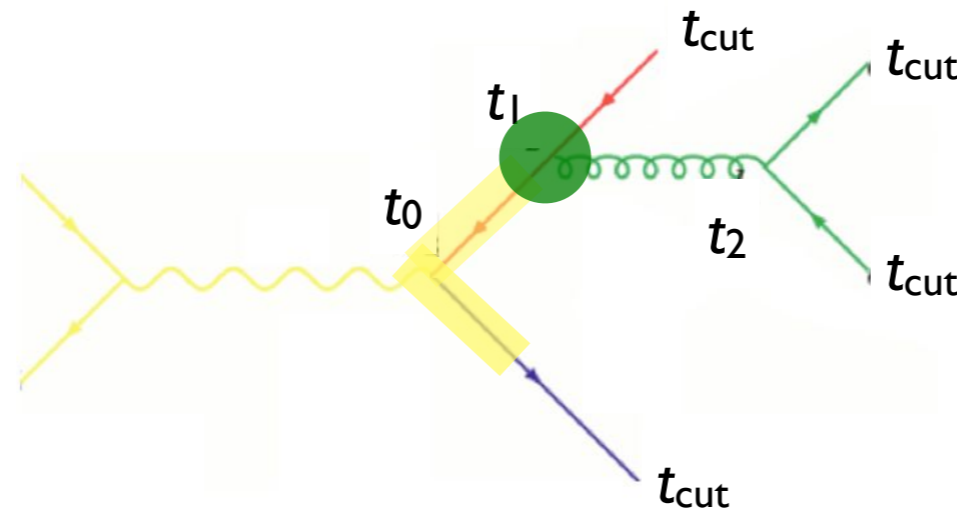
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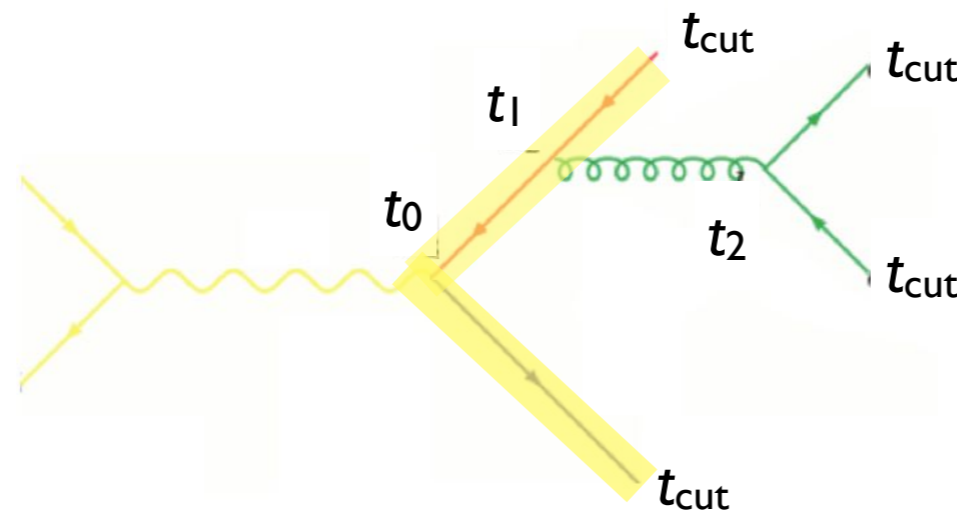


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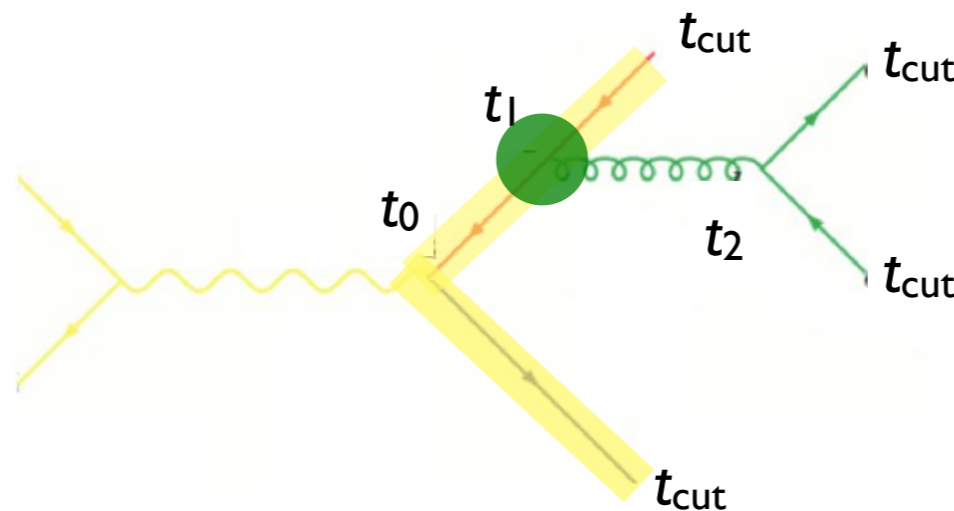


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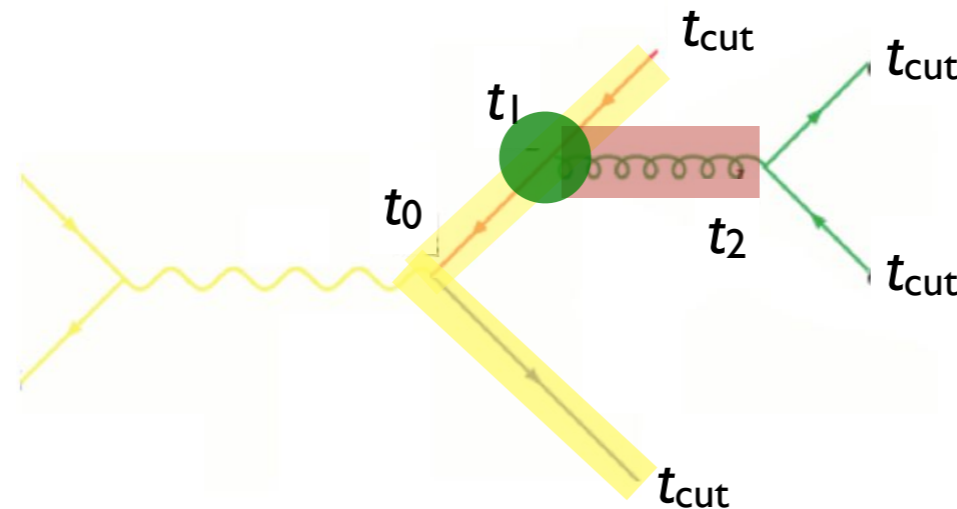


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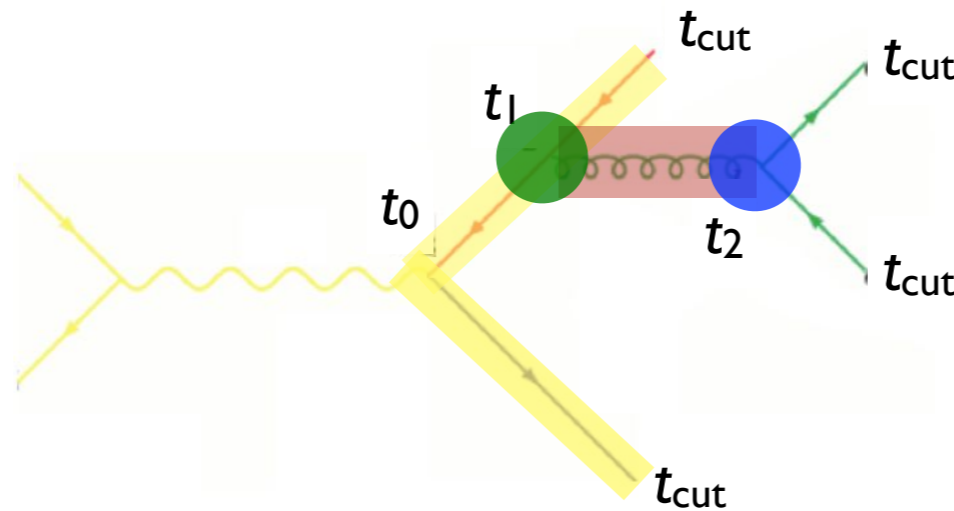


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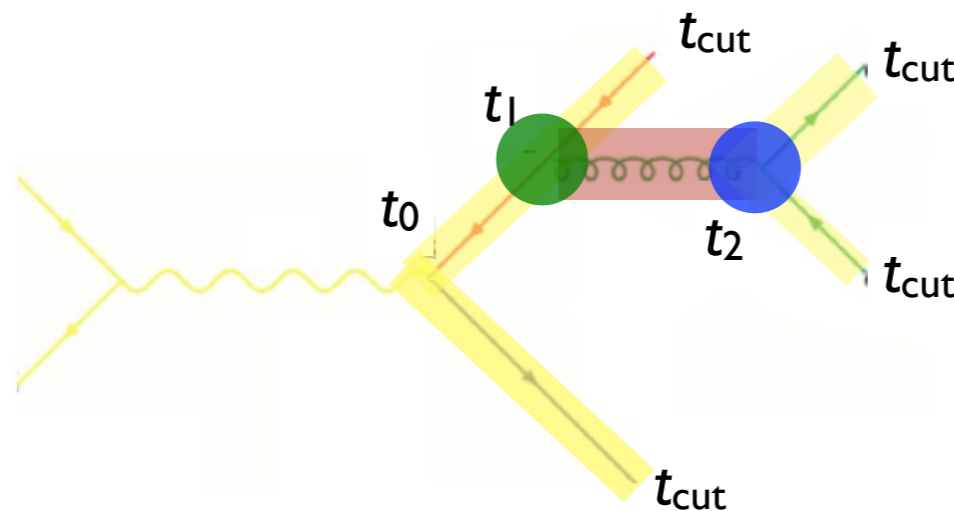


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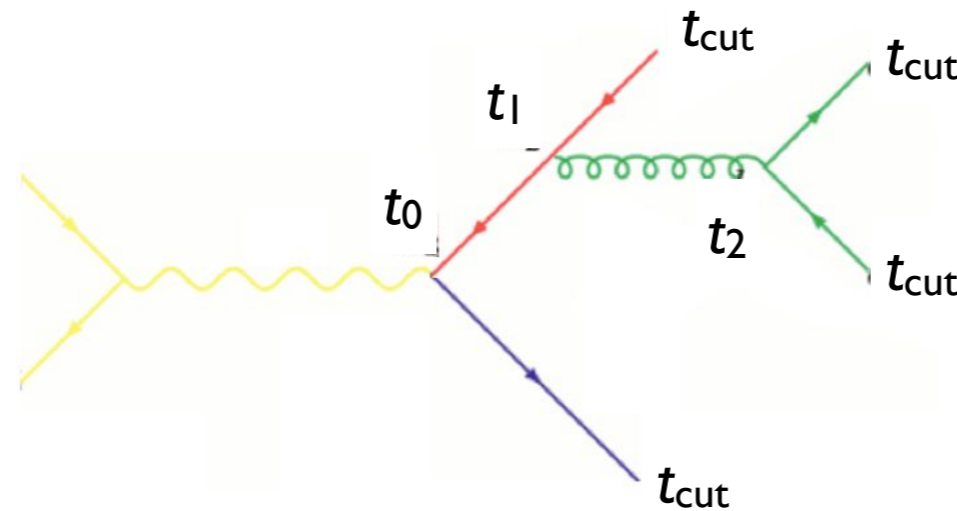


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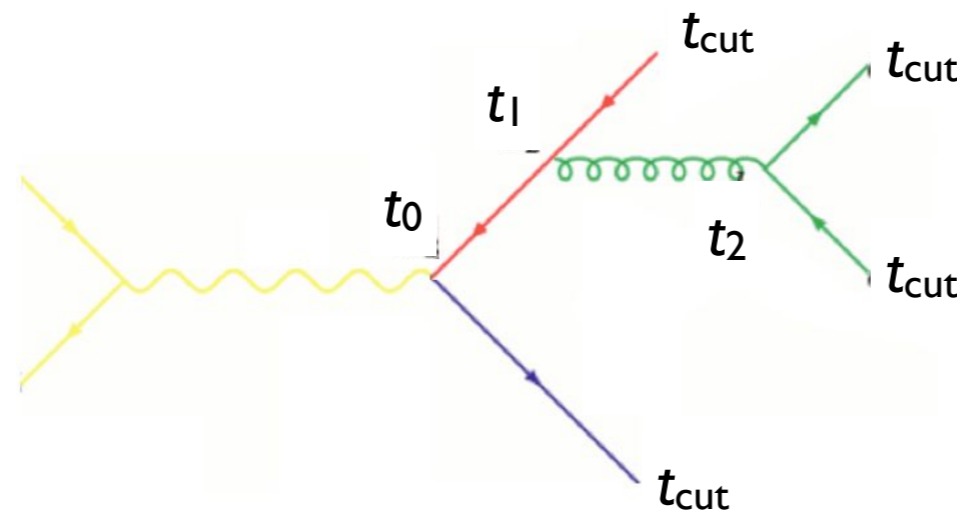
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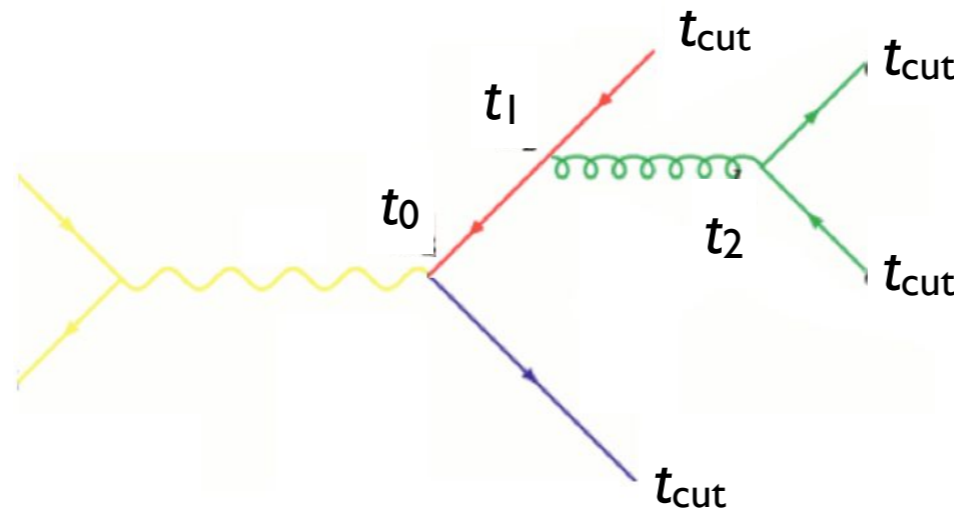


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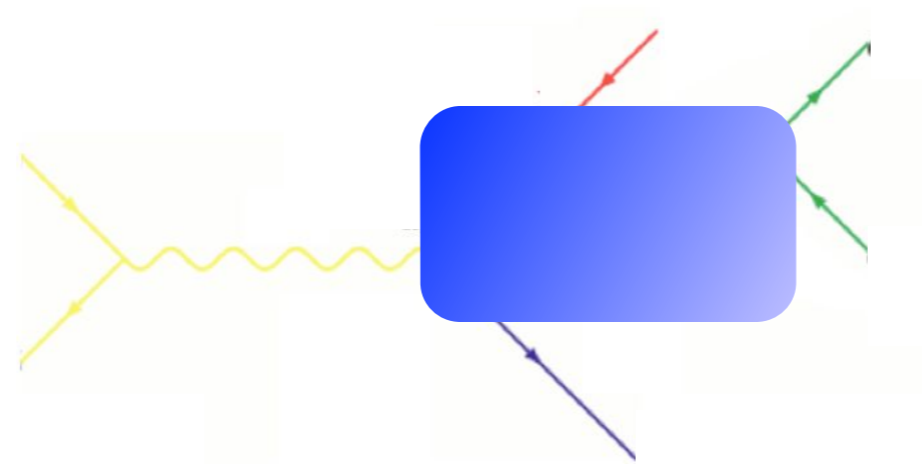
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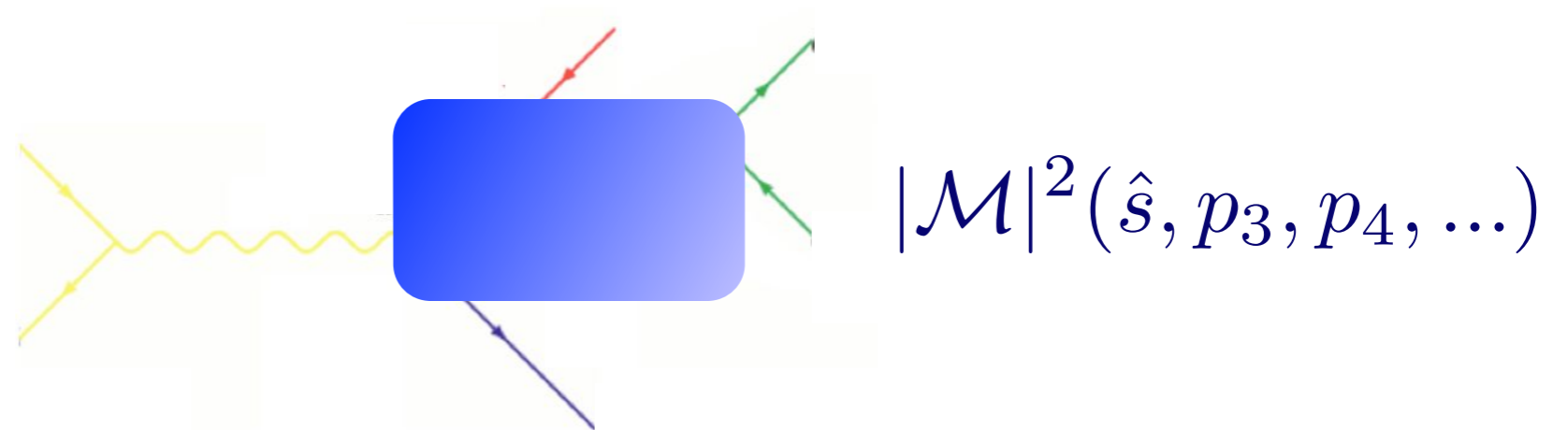
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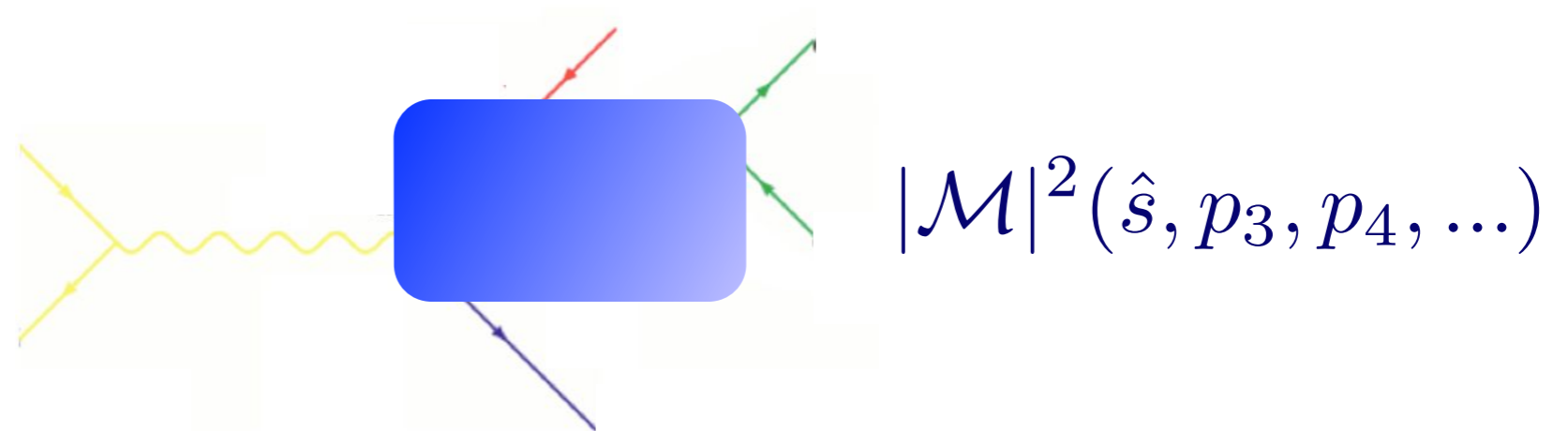
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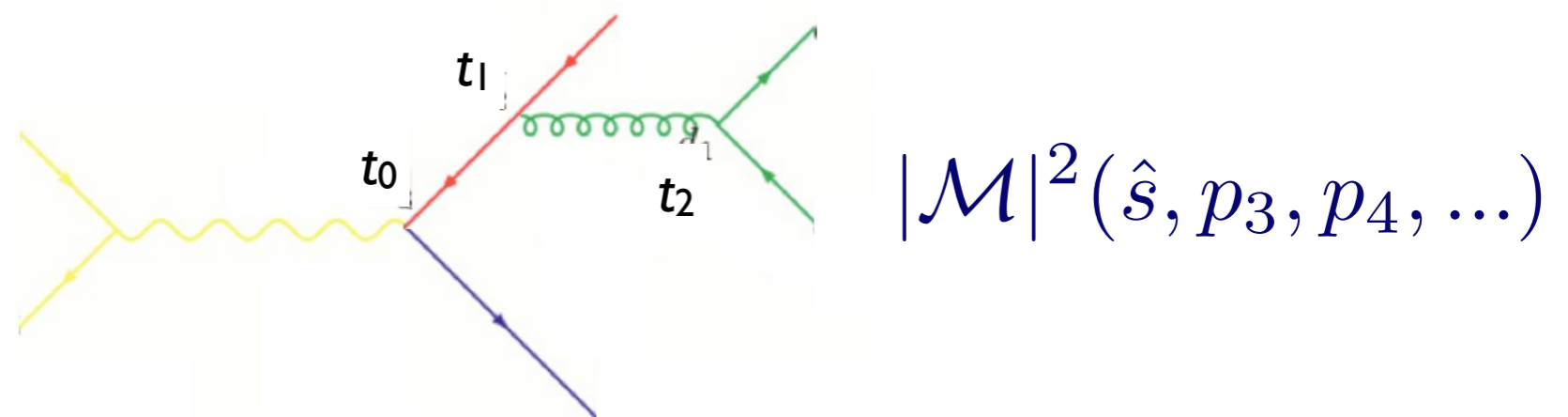
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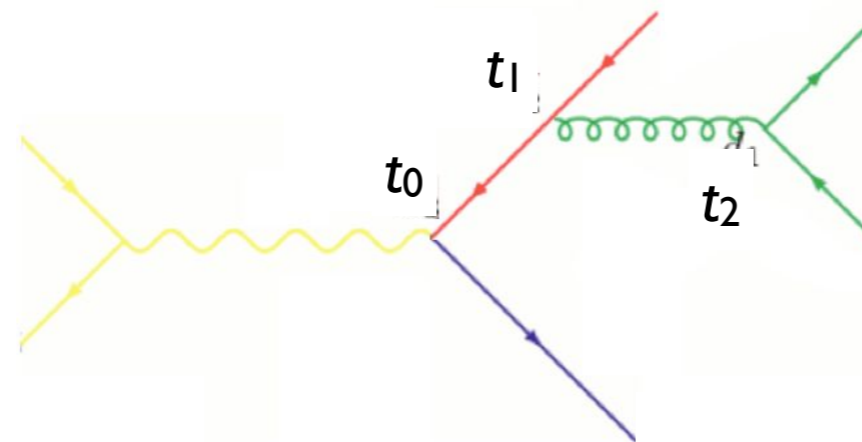
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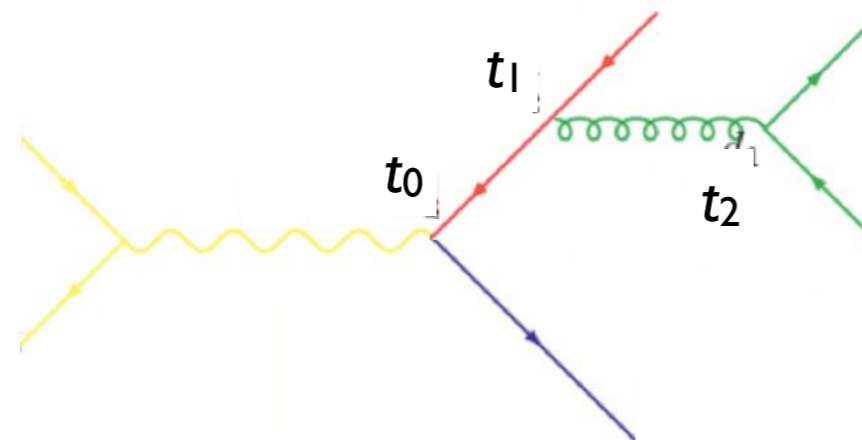
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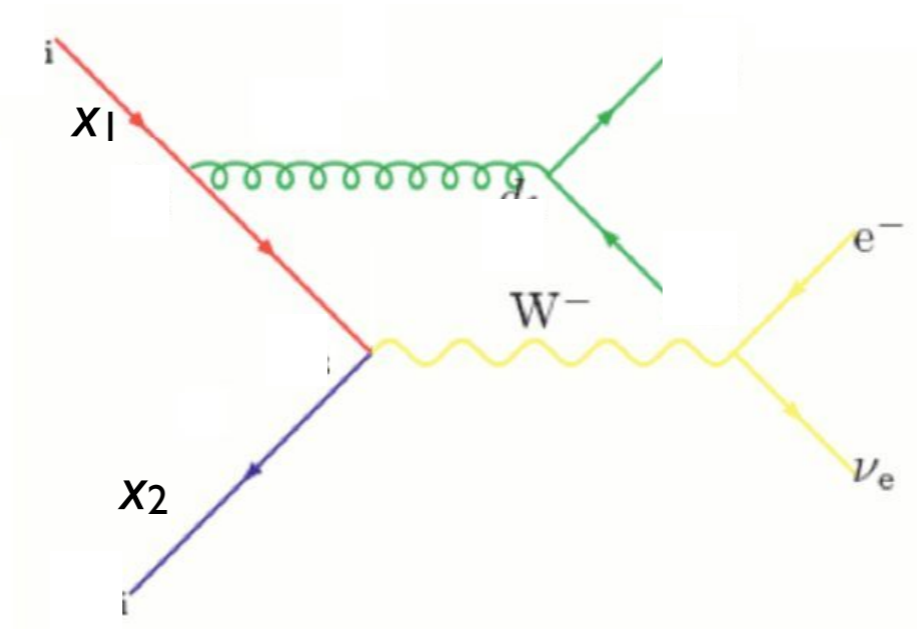
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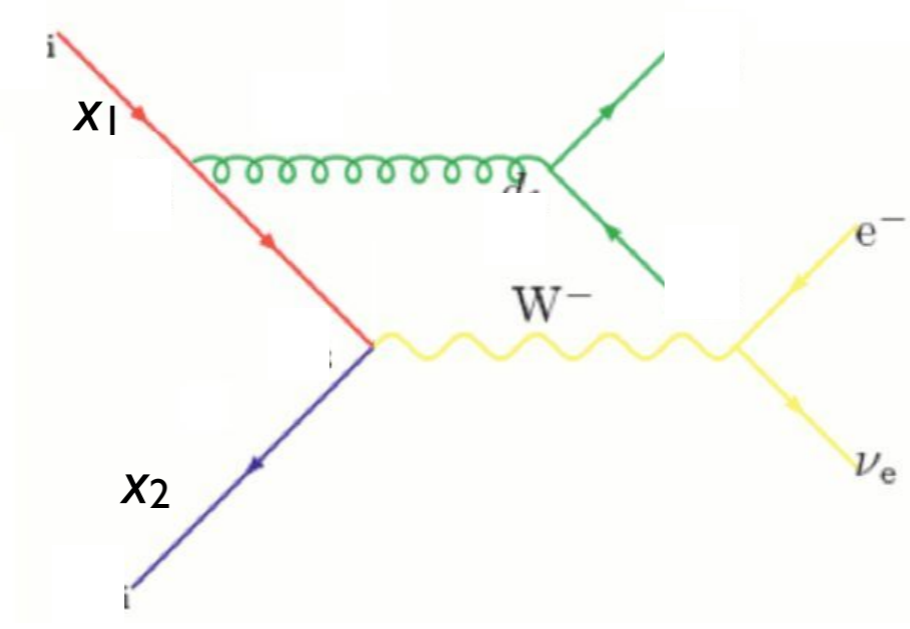
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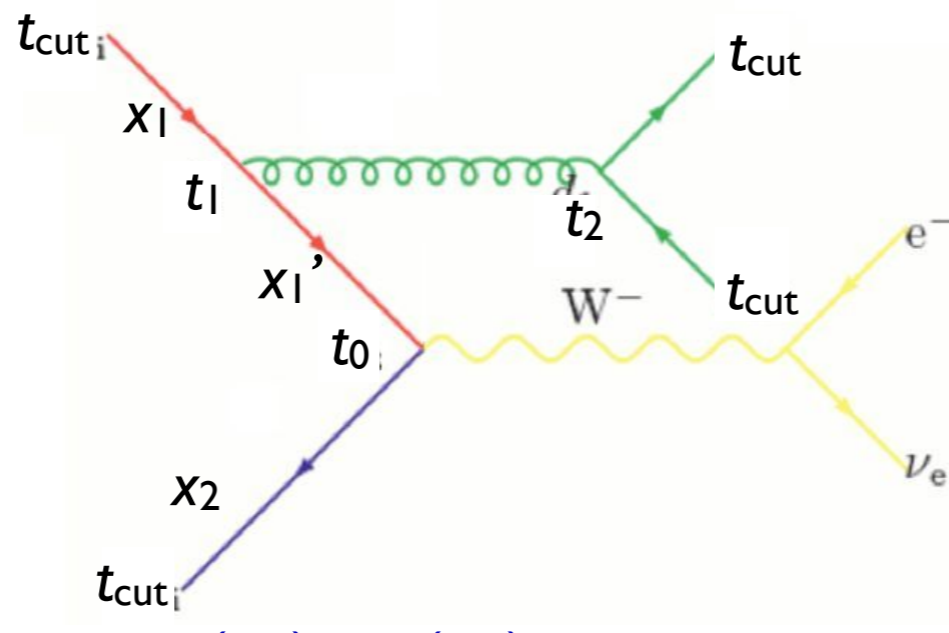
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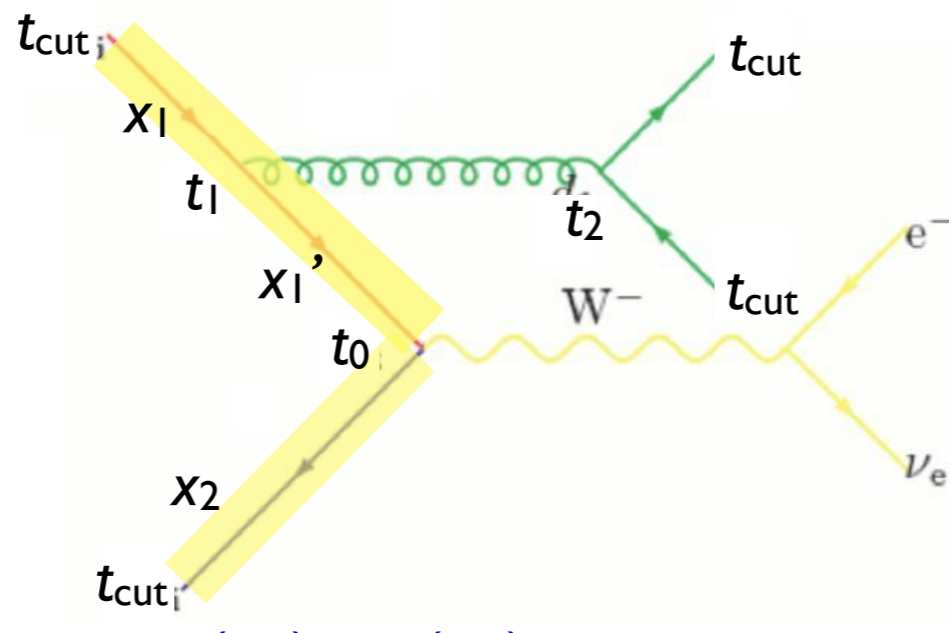
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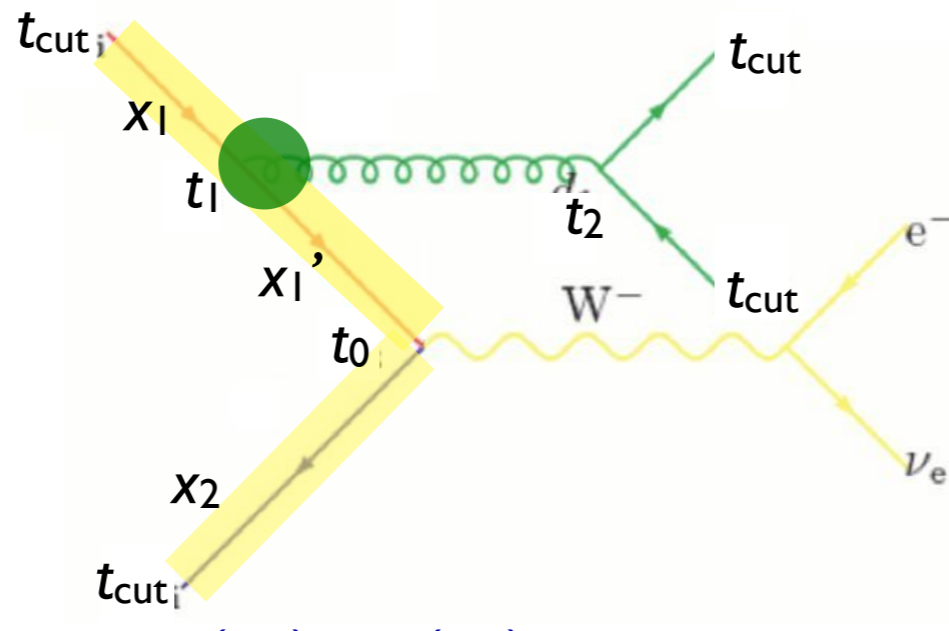
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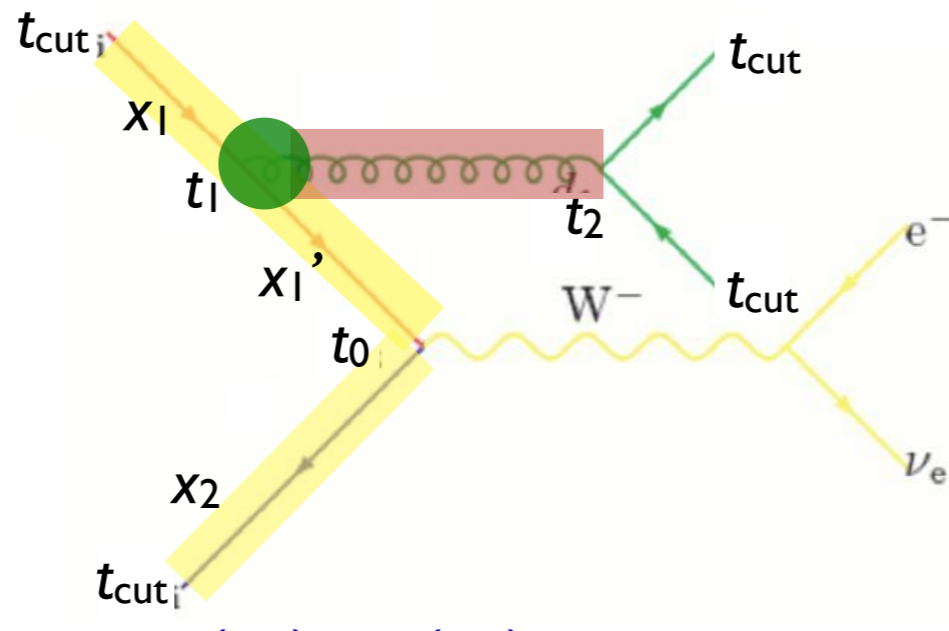
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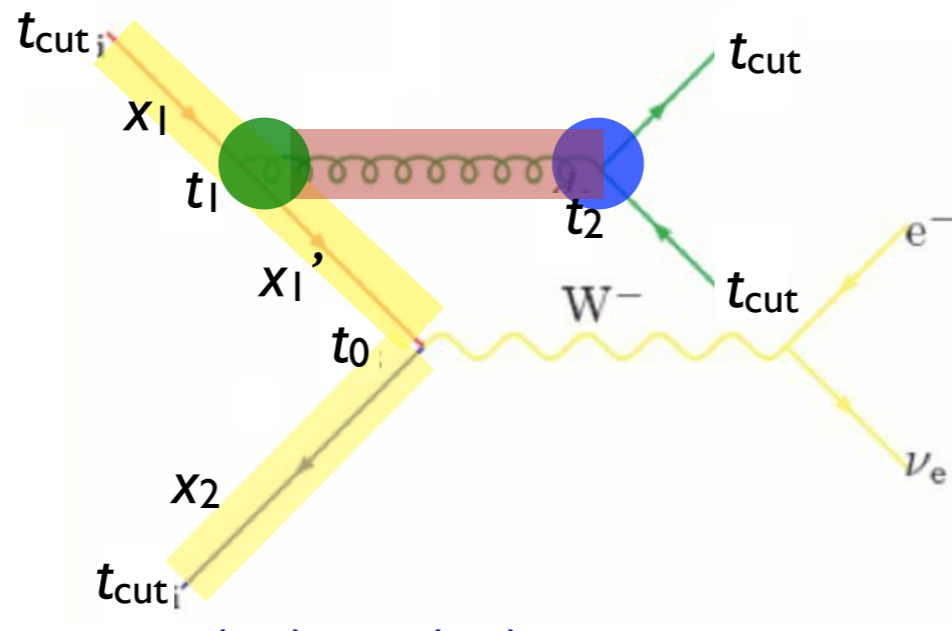
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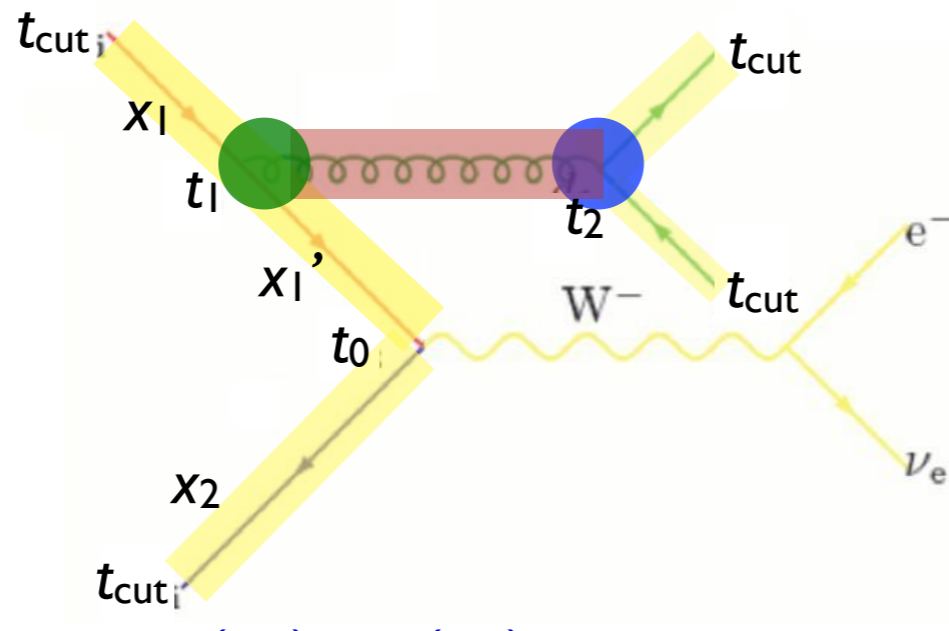
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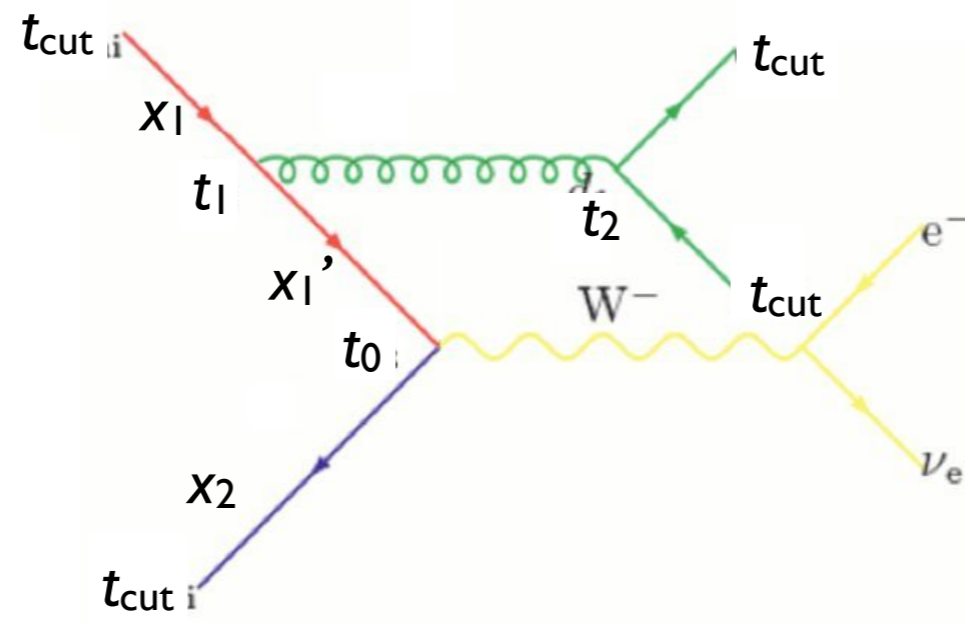
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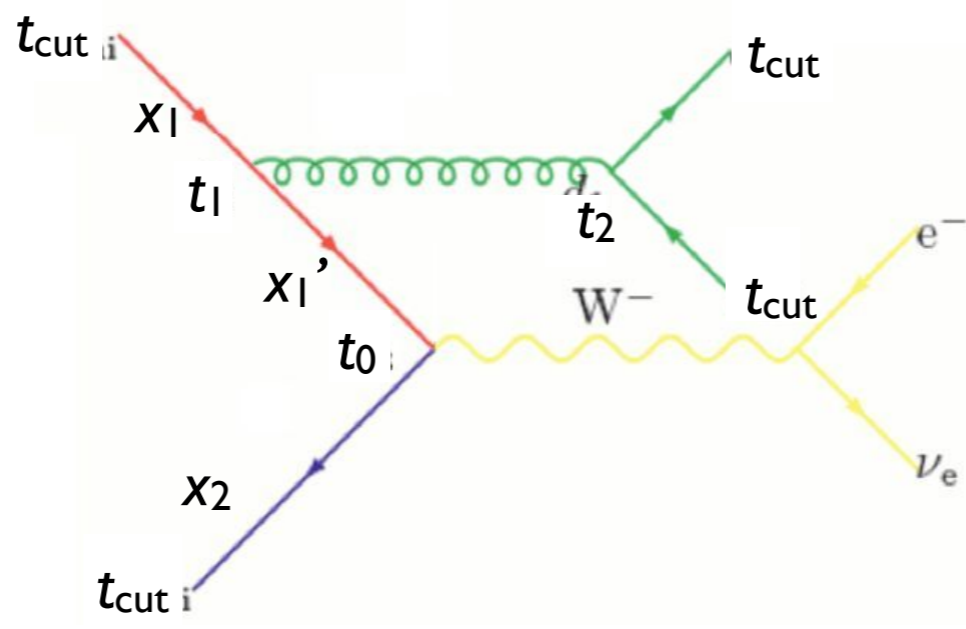


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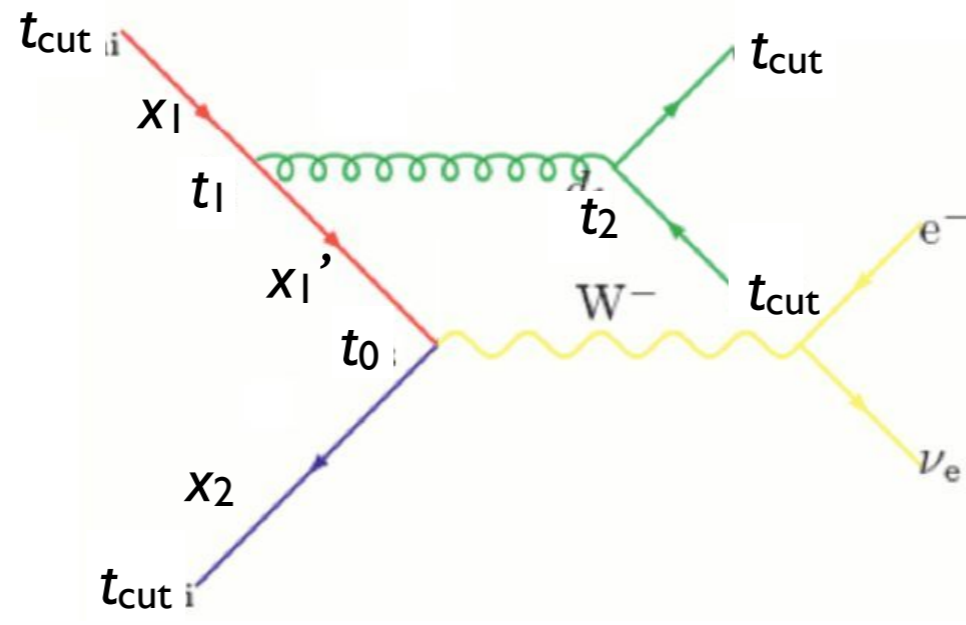
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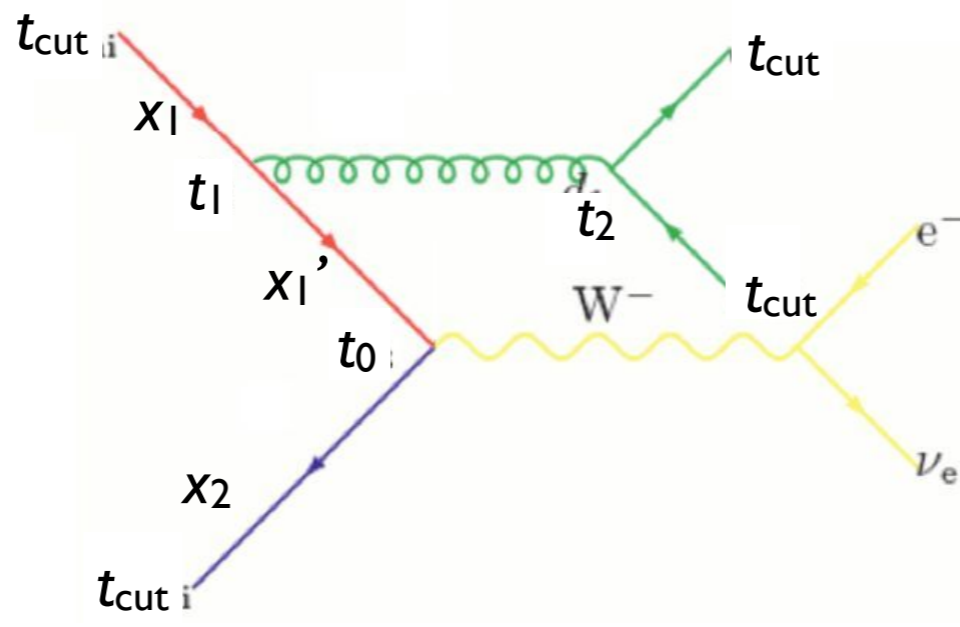


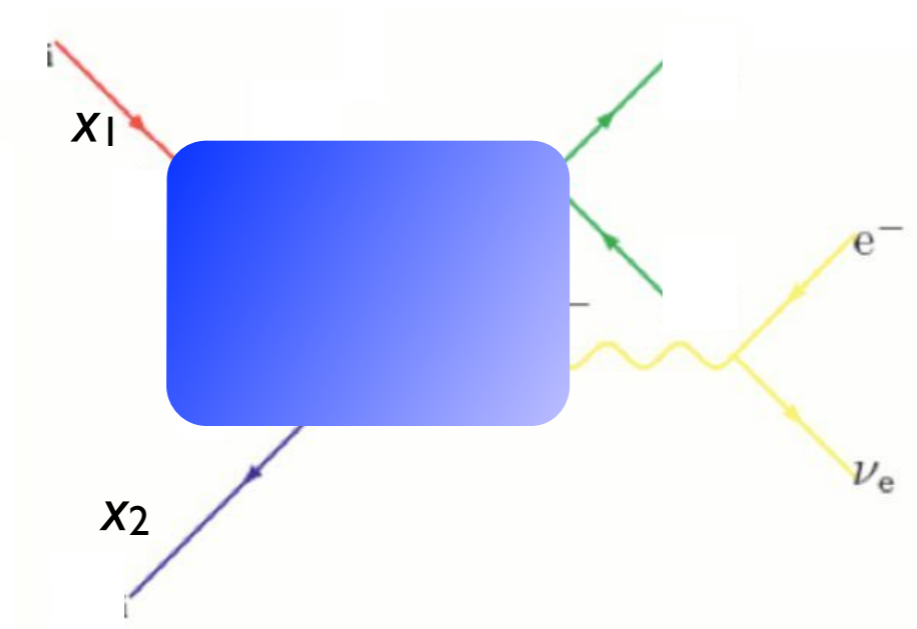
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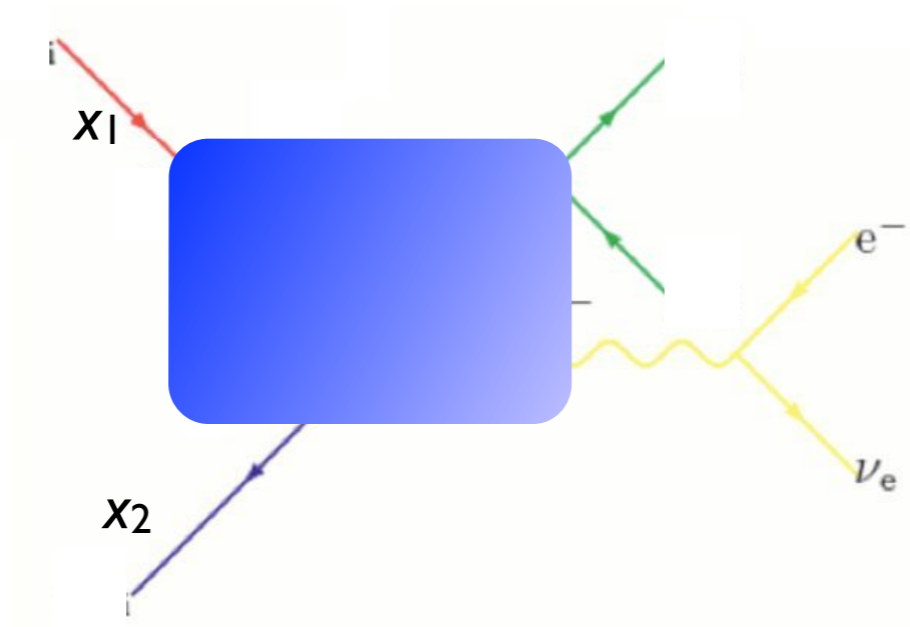
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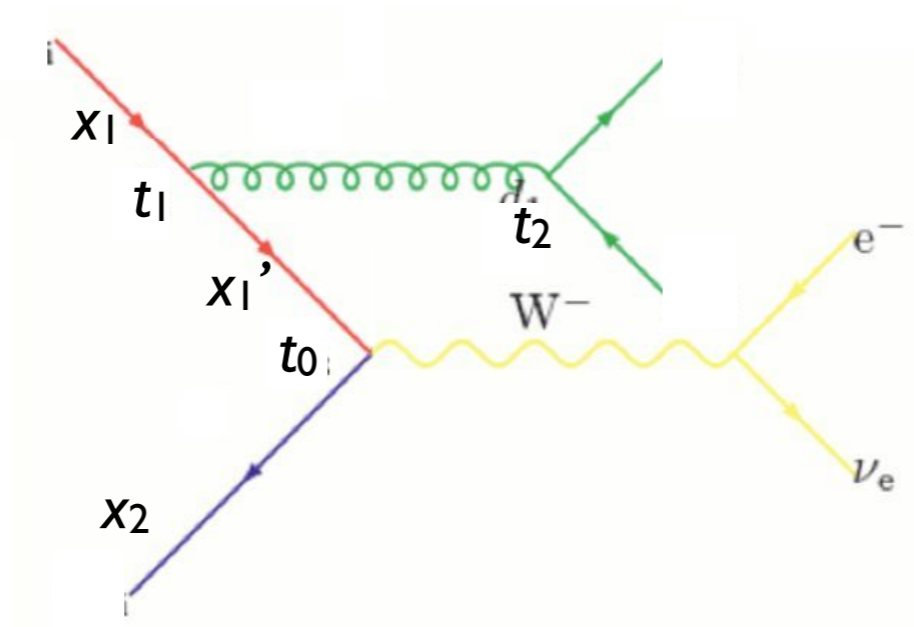




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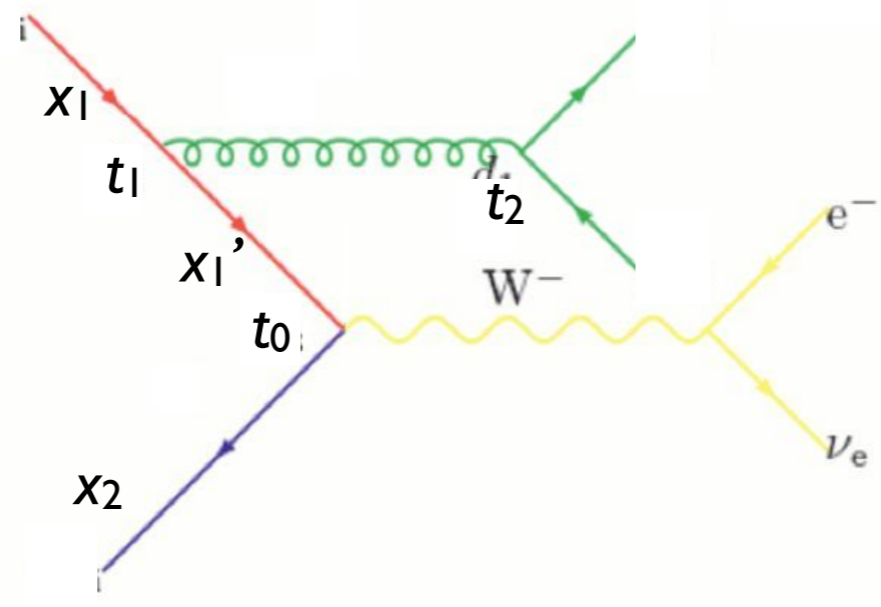


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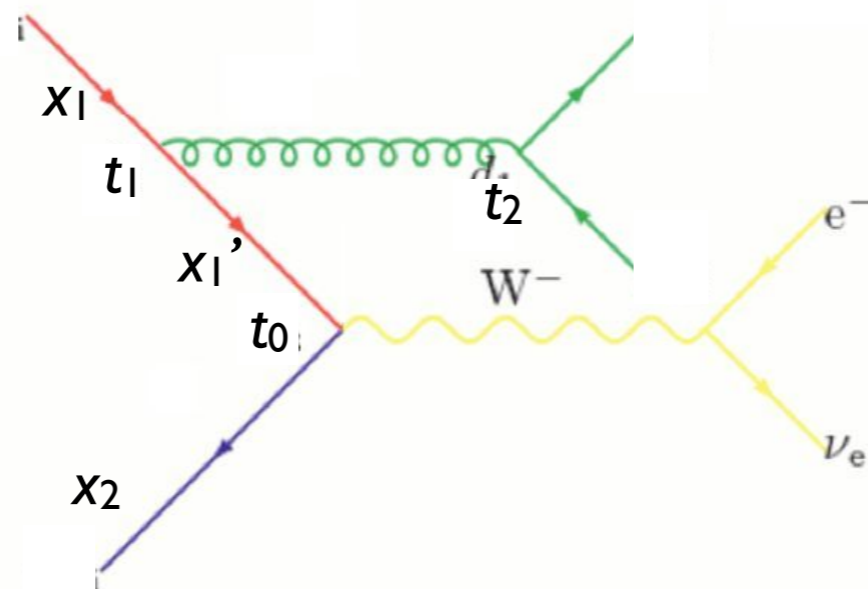


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and for hadron collisions, the minimum of:

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and

$$k_{Tij}^2 = \max(m_i^2, m_j^2) + \min(p_{Ti}^2, p_{Tj}^2) R_{ij}$$

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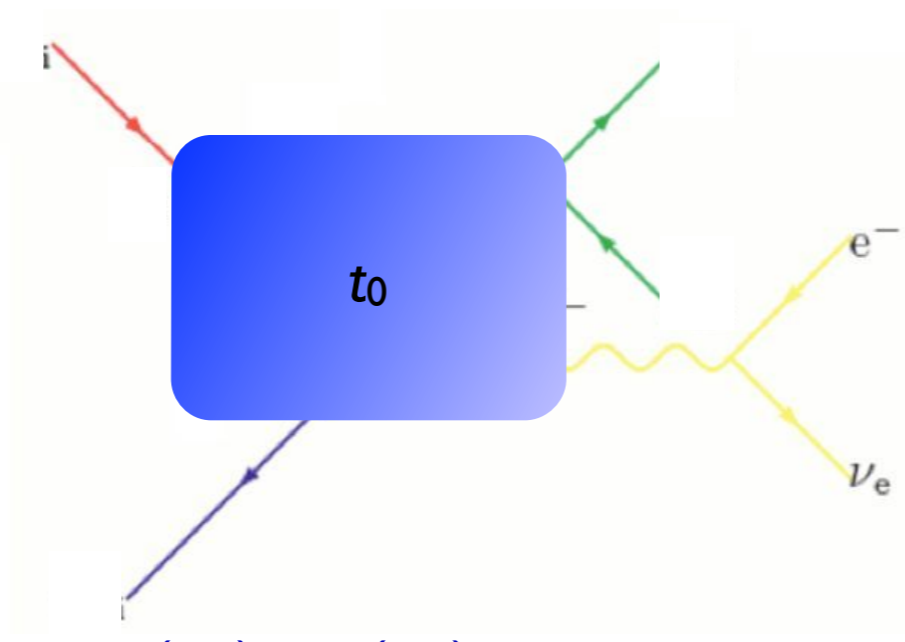
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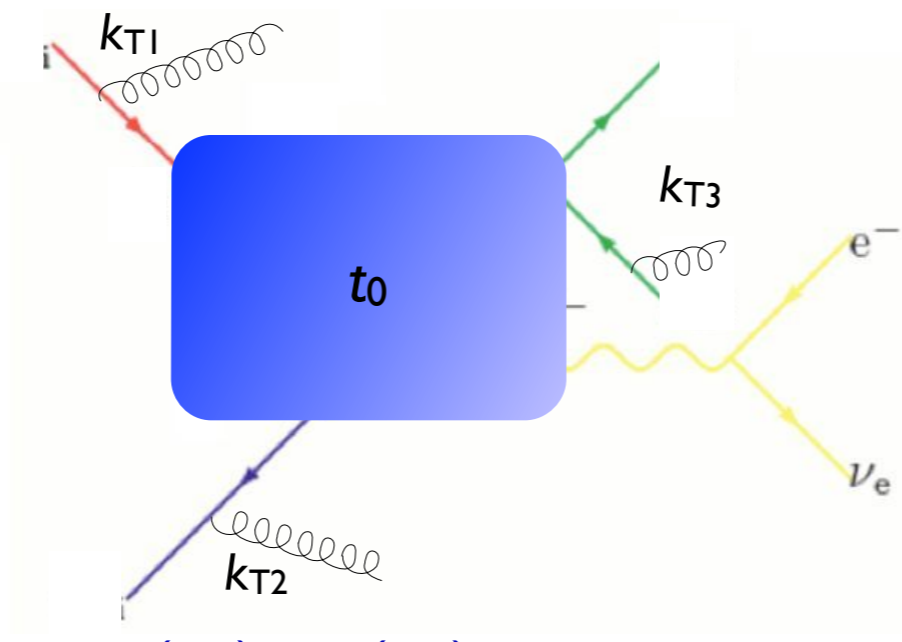
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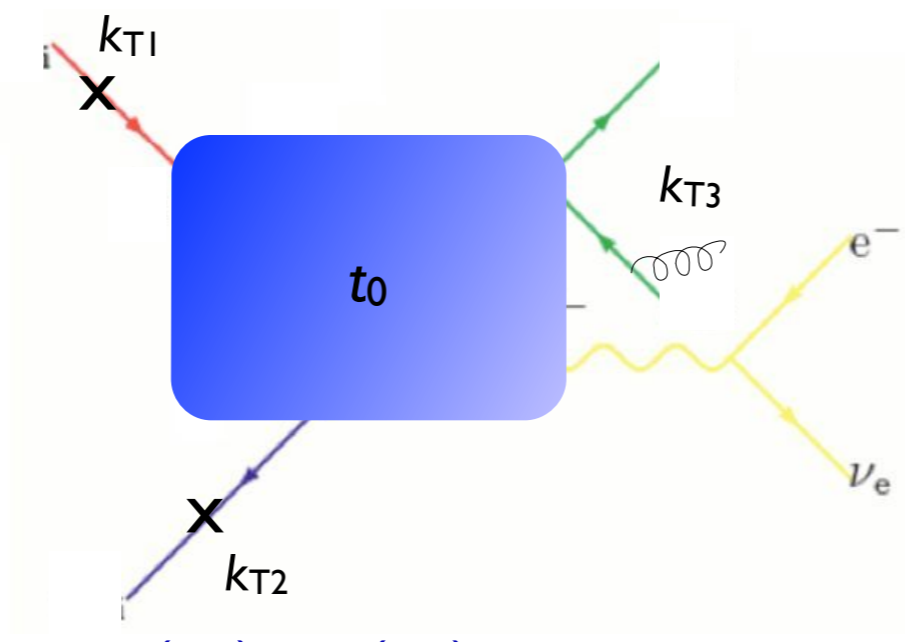
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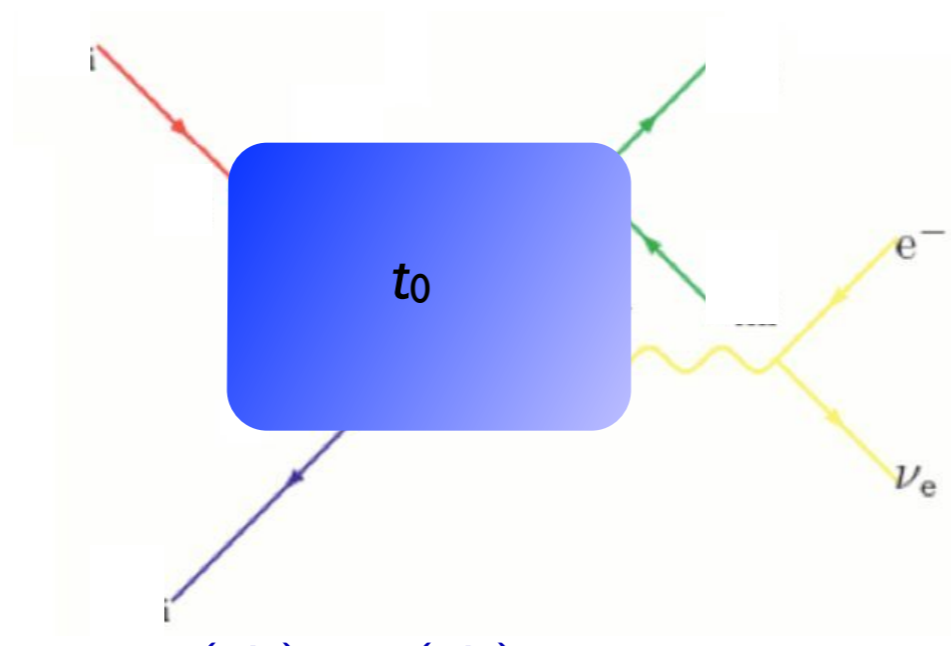
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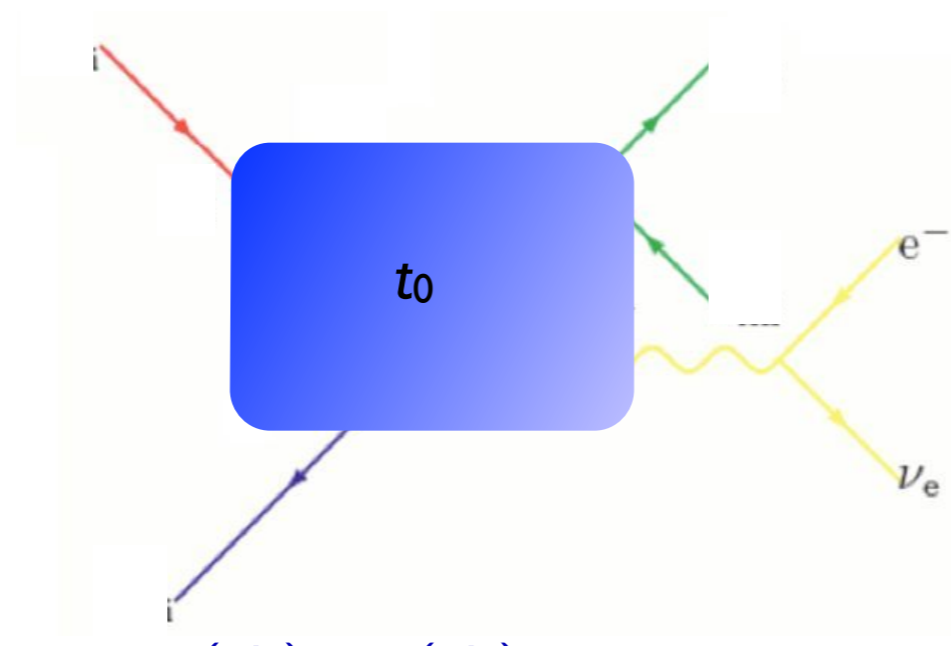
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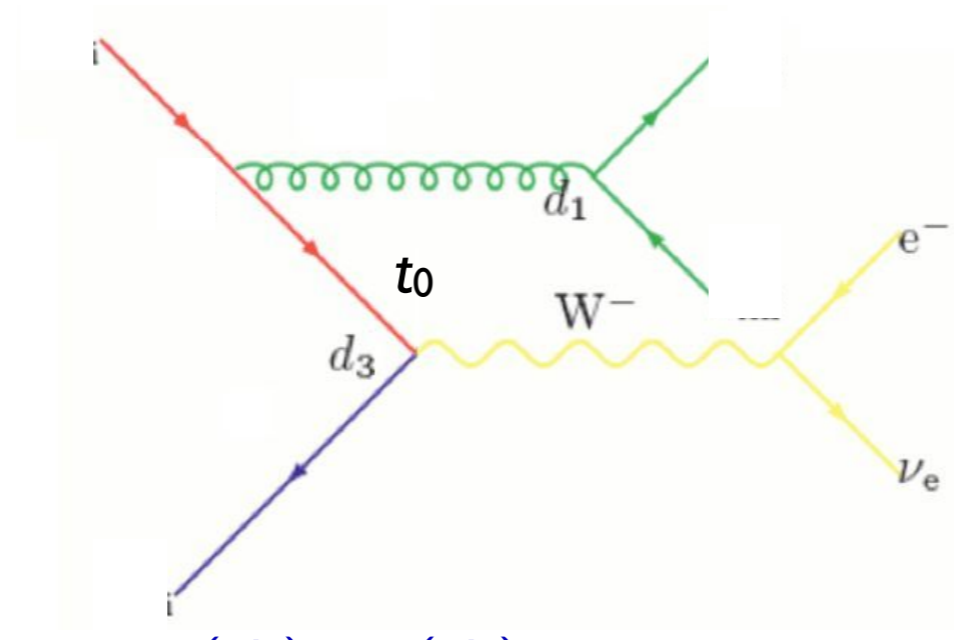


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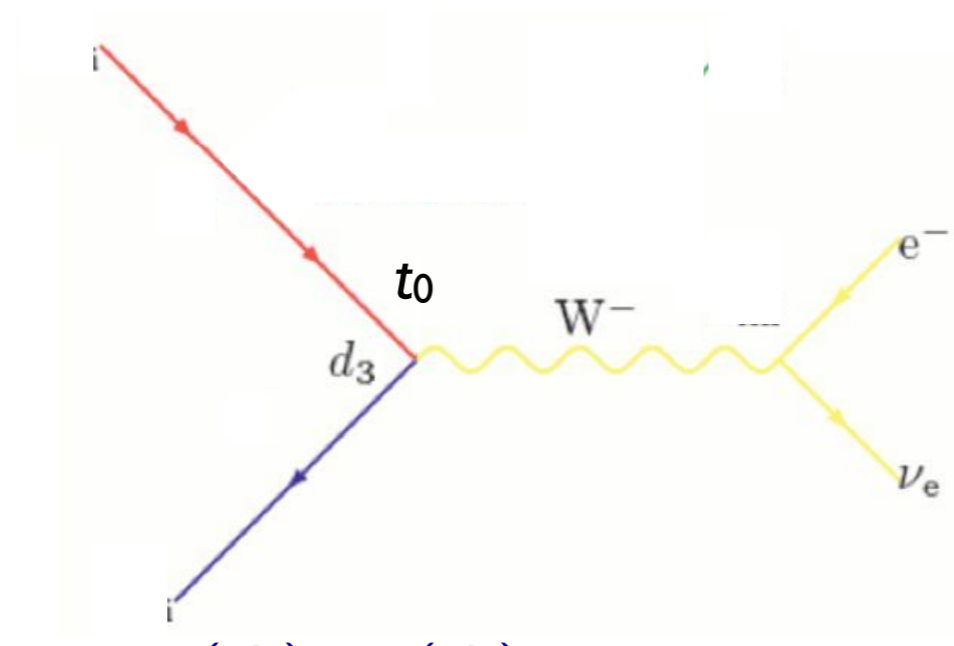
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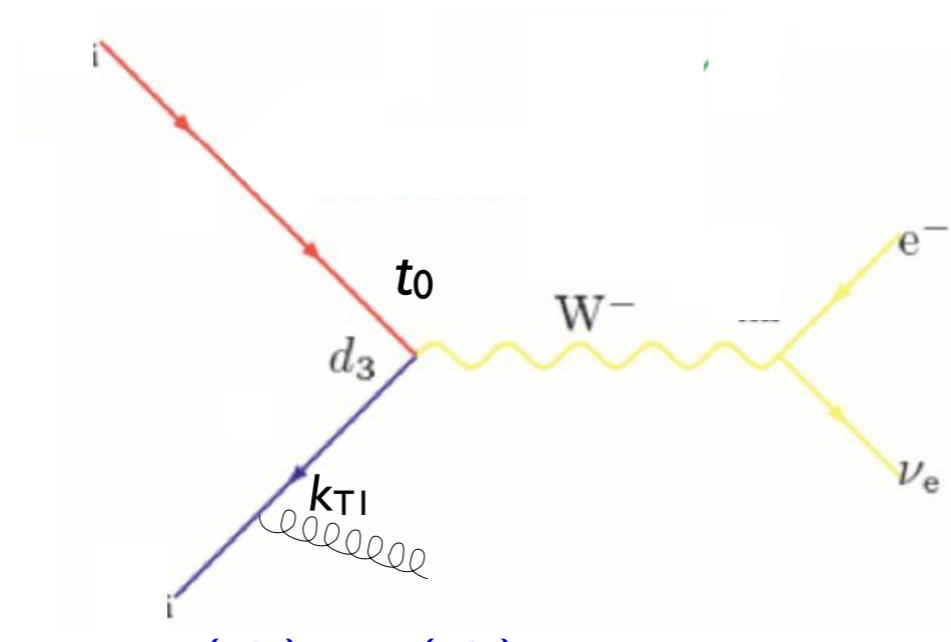
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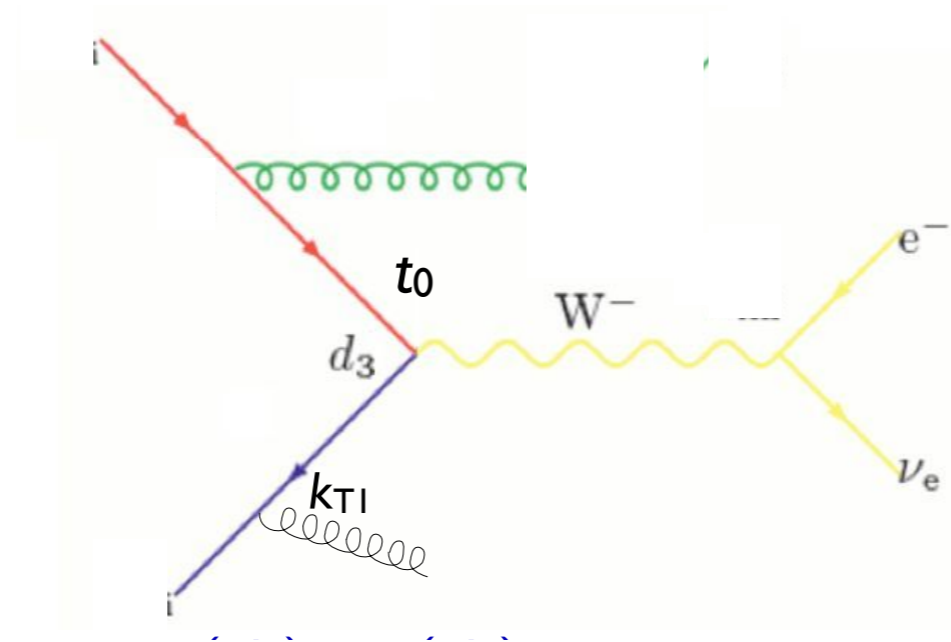
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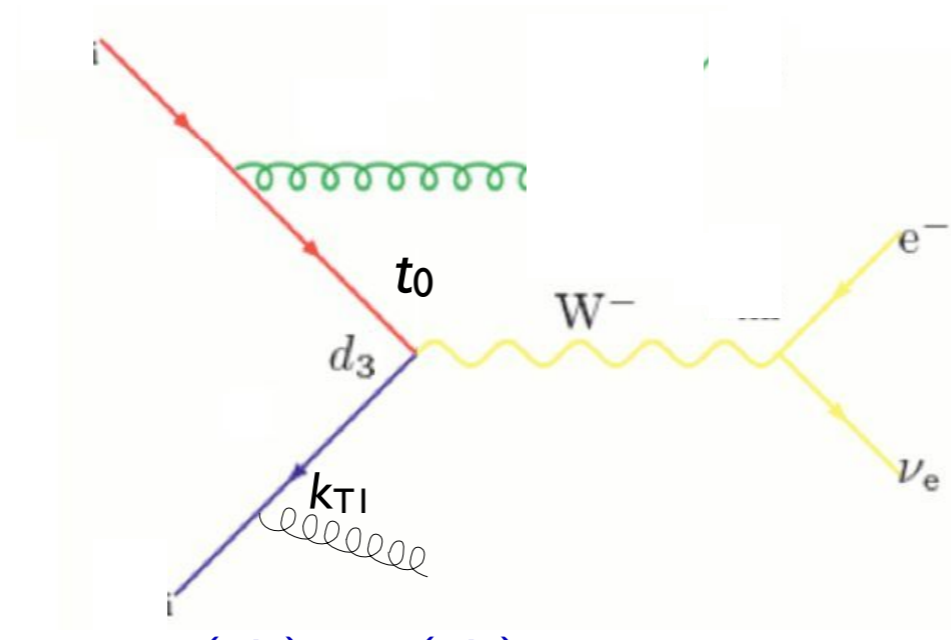
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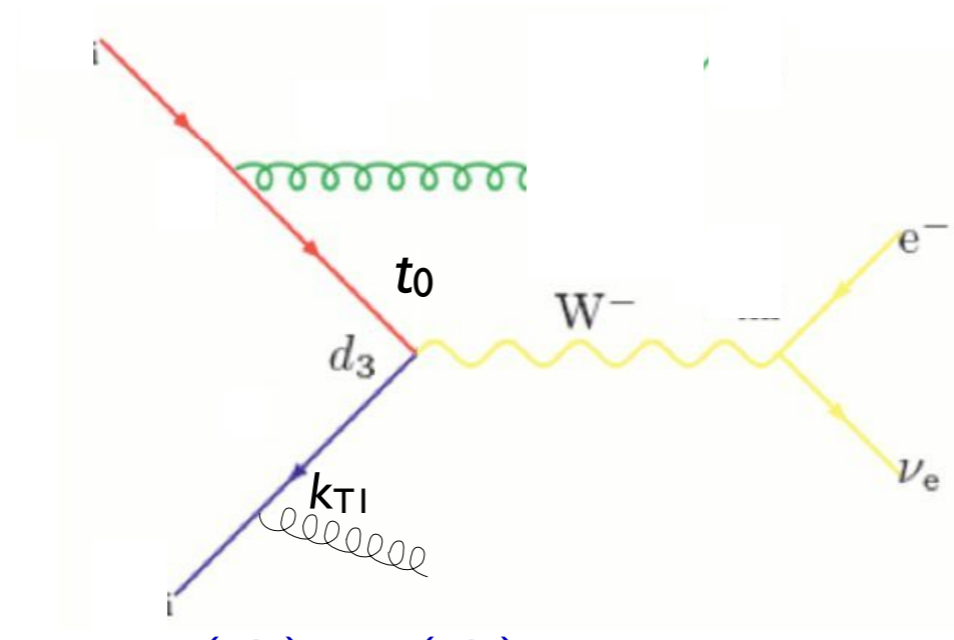
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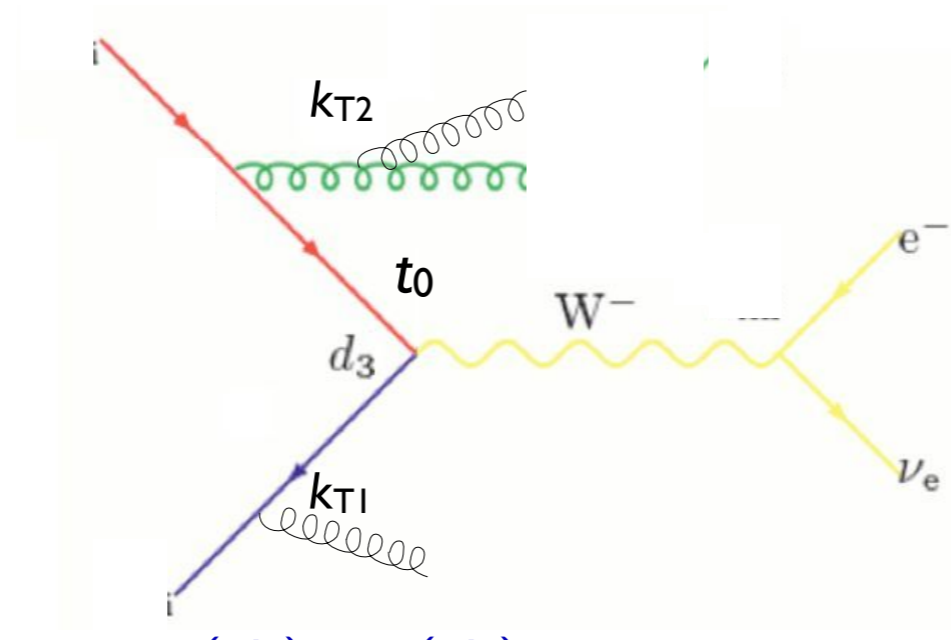
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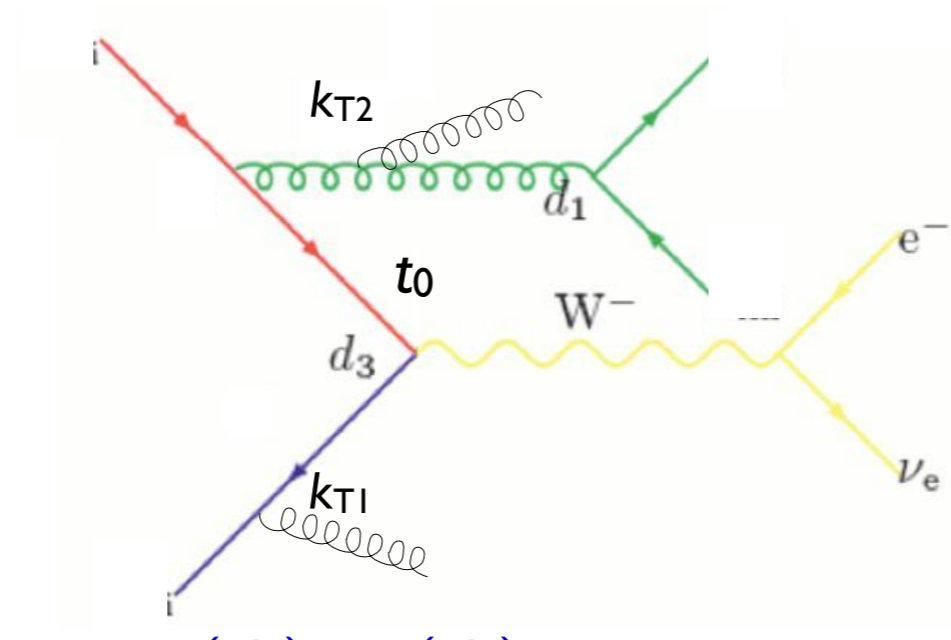
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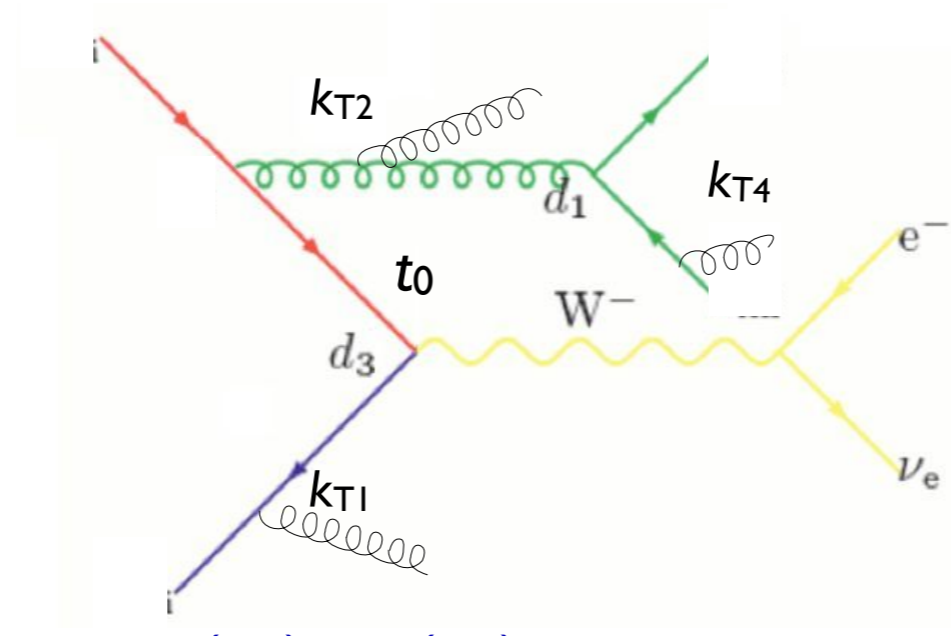
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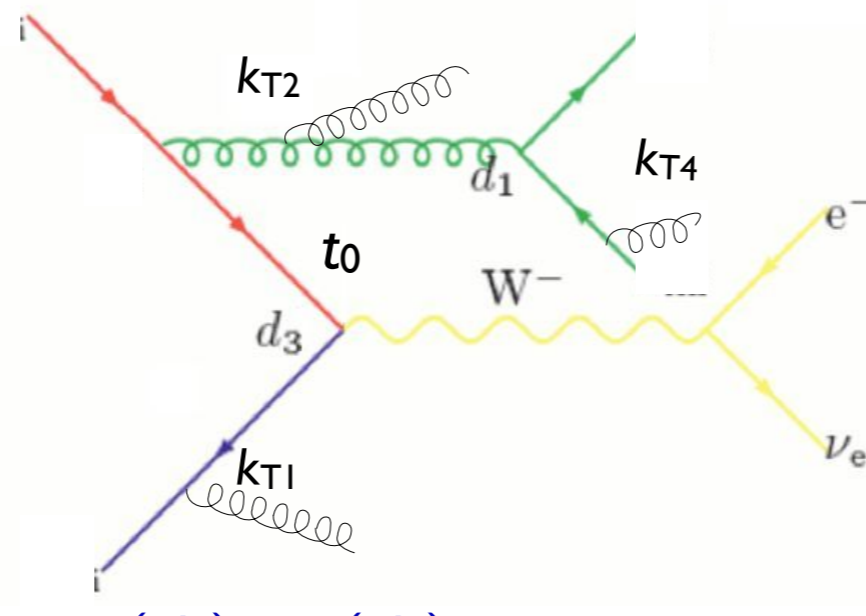
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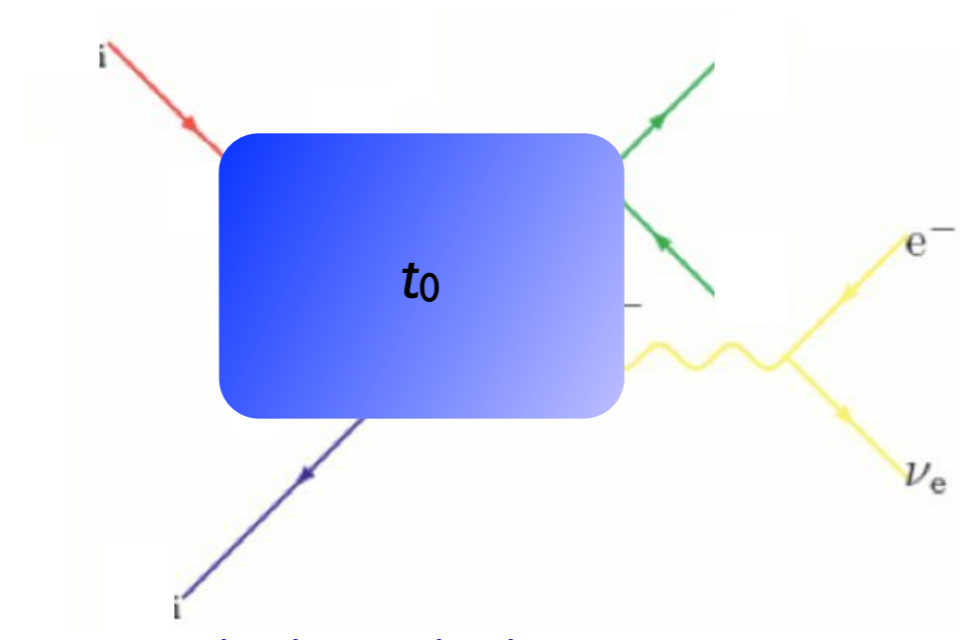
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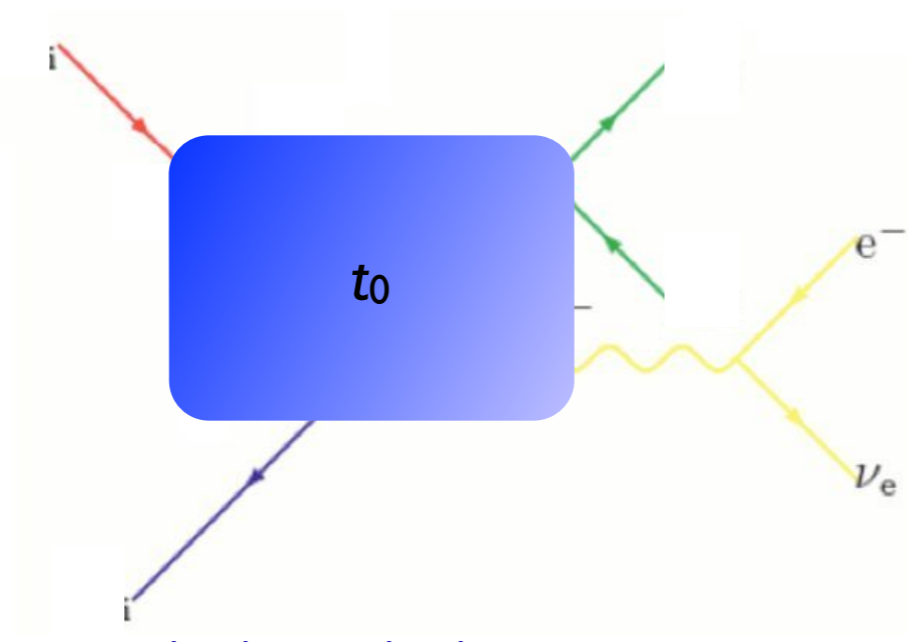
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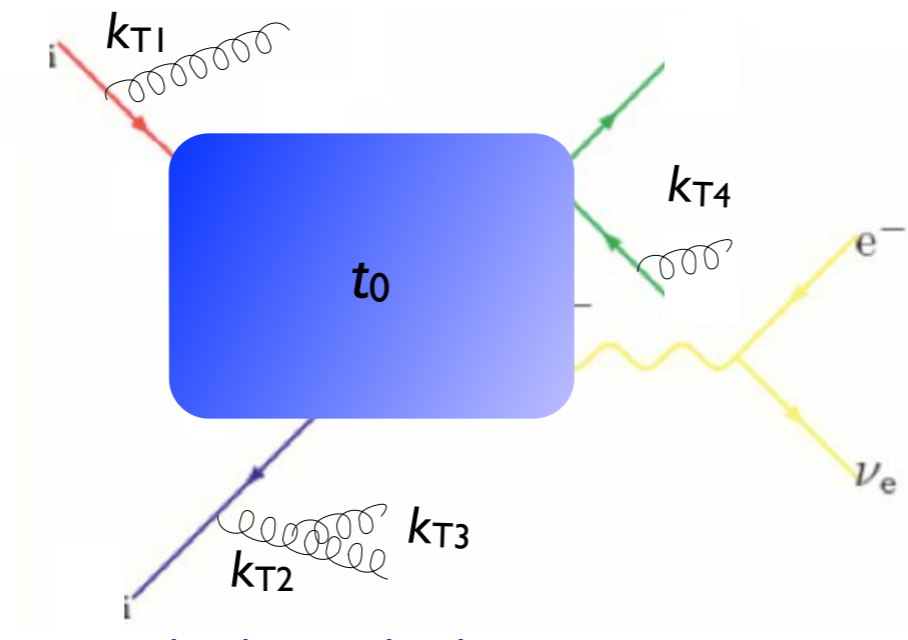
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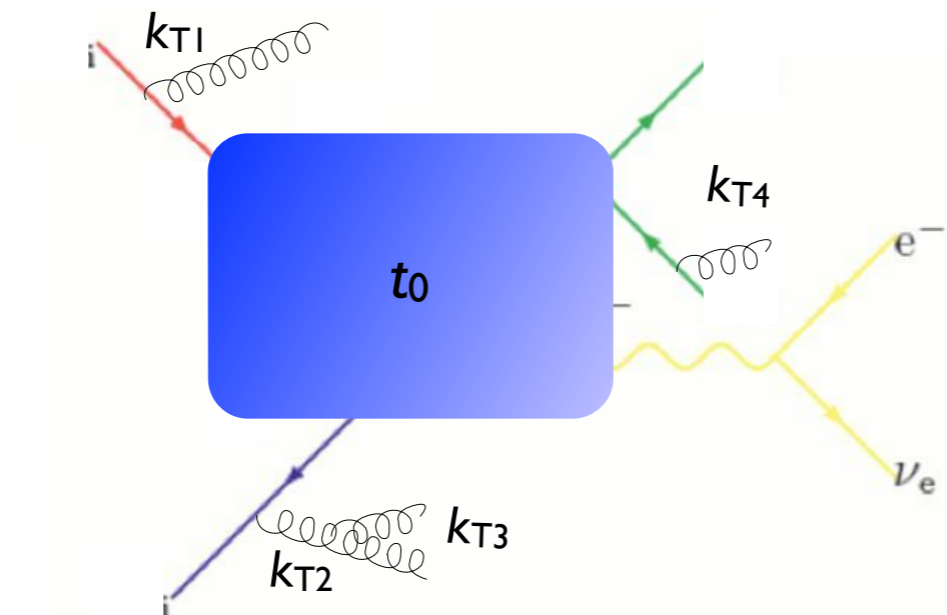
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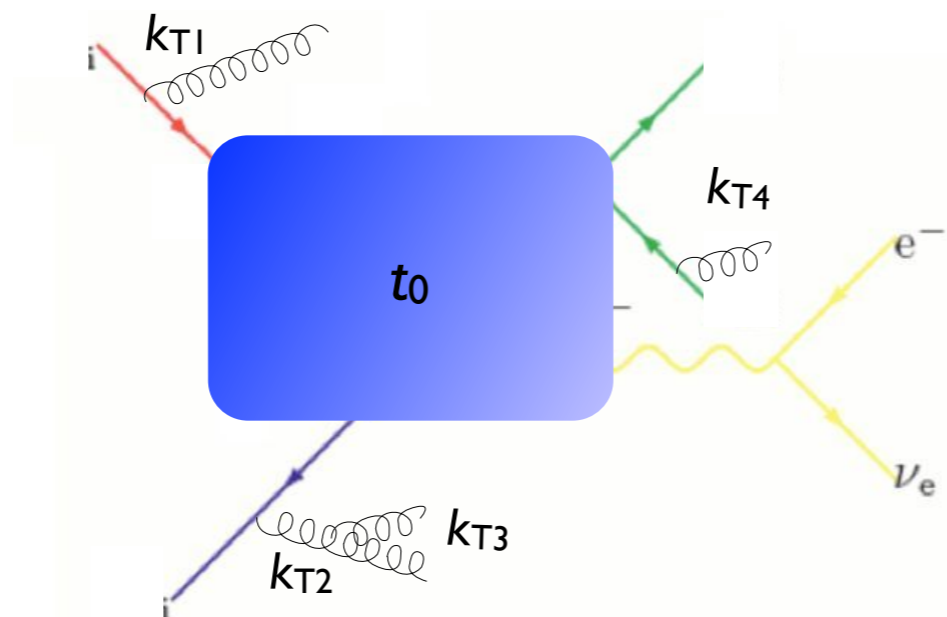
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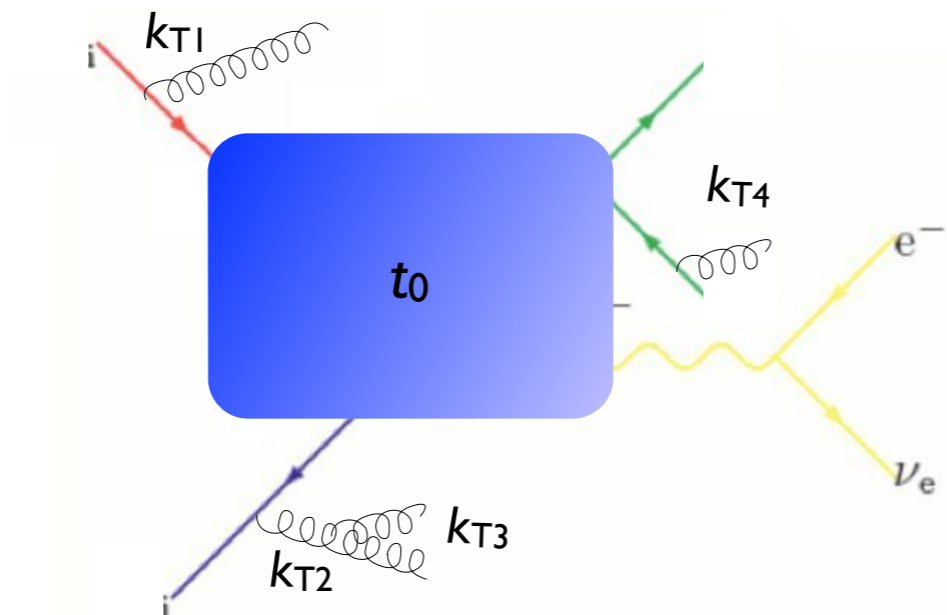
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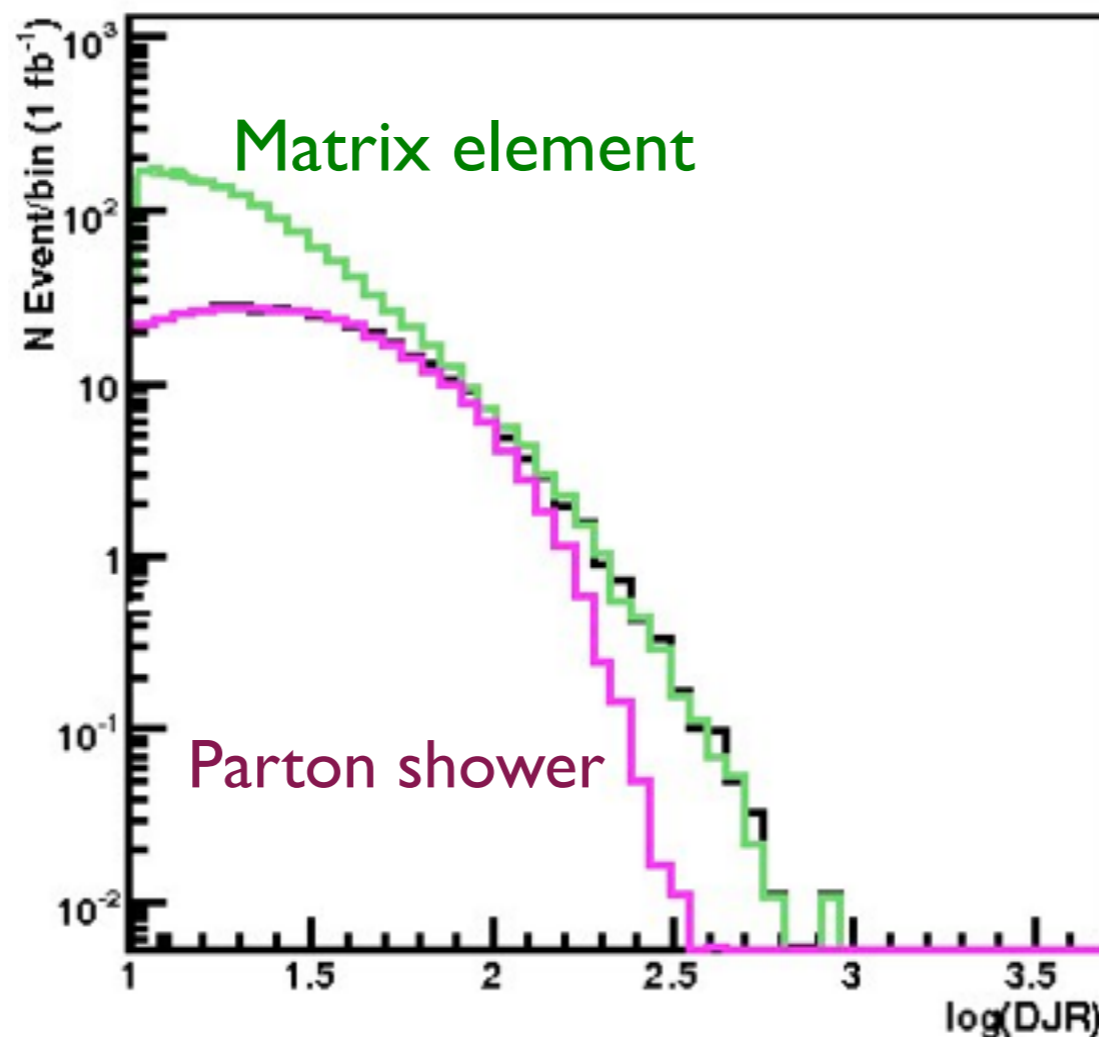
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 - ✓ Simplest available scheme
 - ✓ Allows matching with any shower, without modification
 - ➔ Sudakov suppression not exact, minor mismatch with shower
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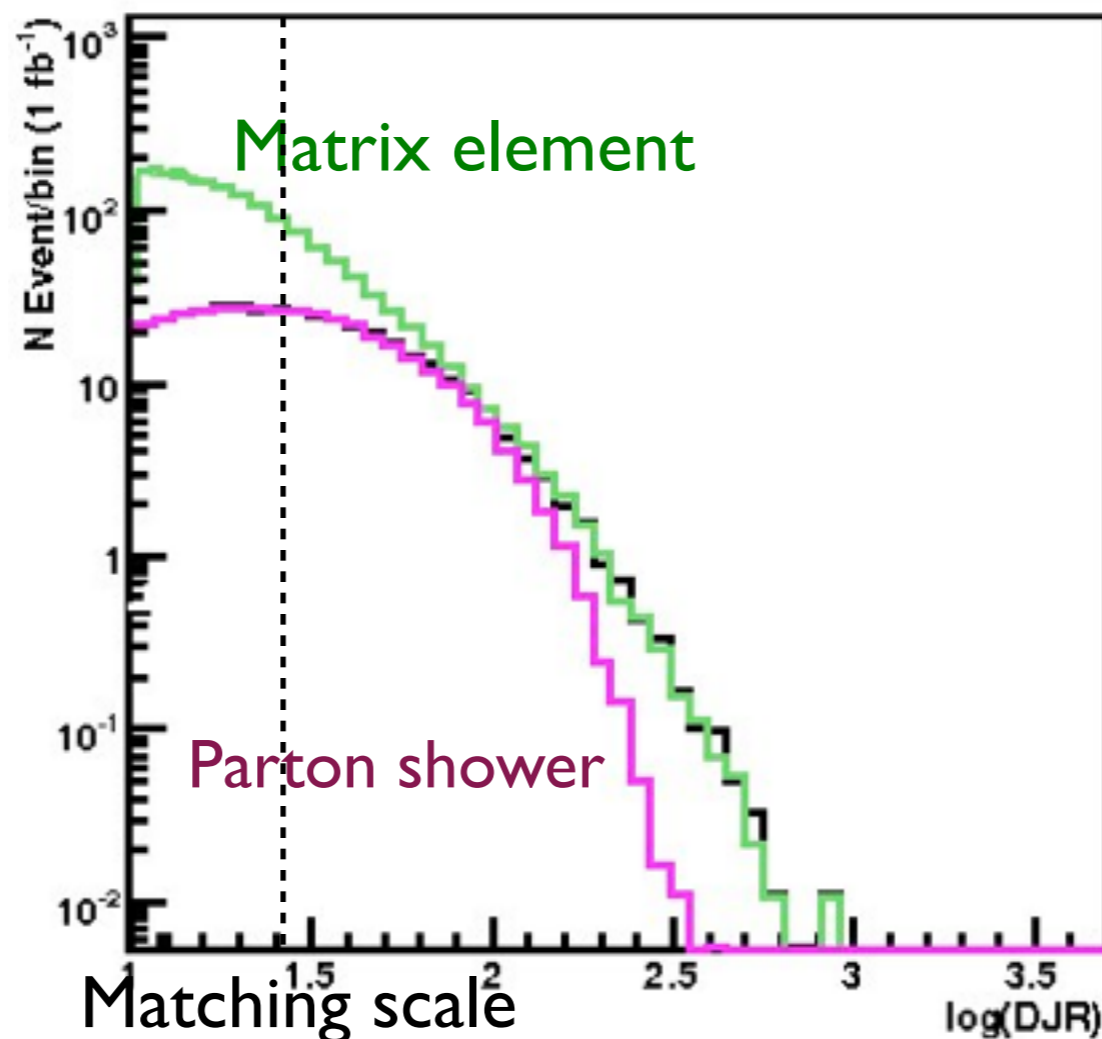
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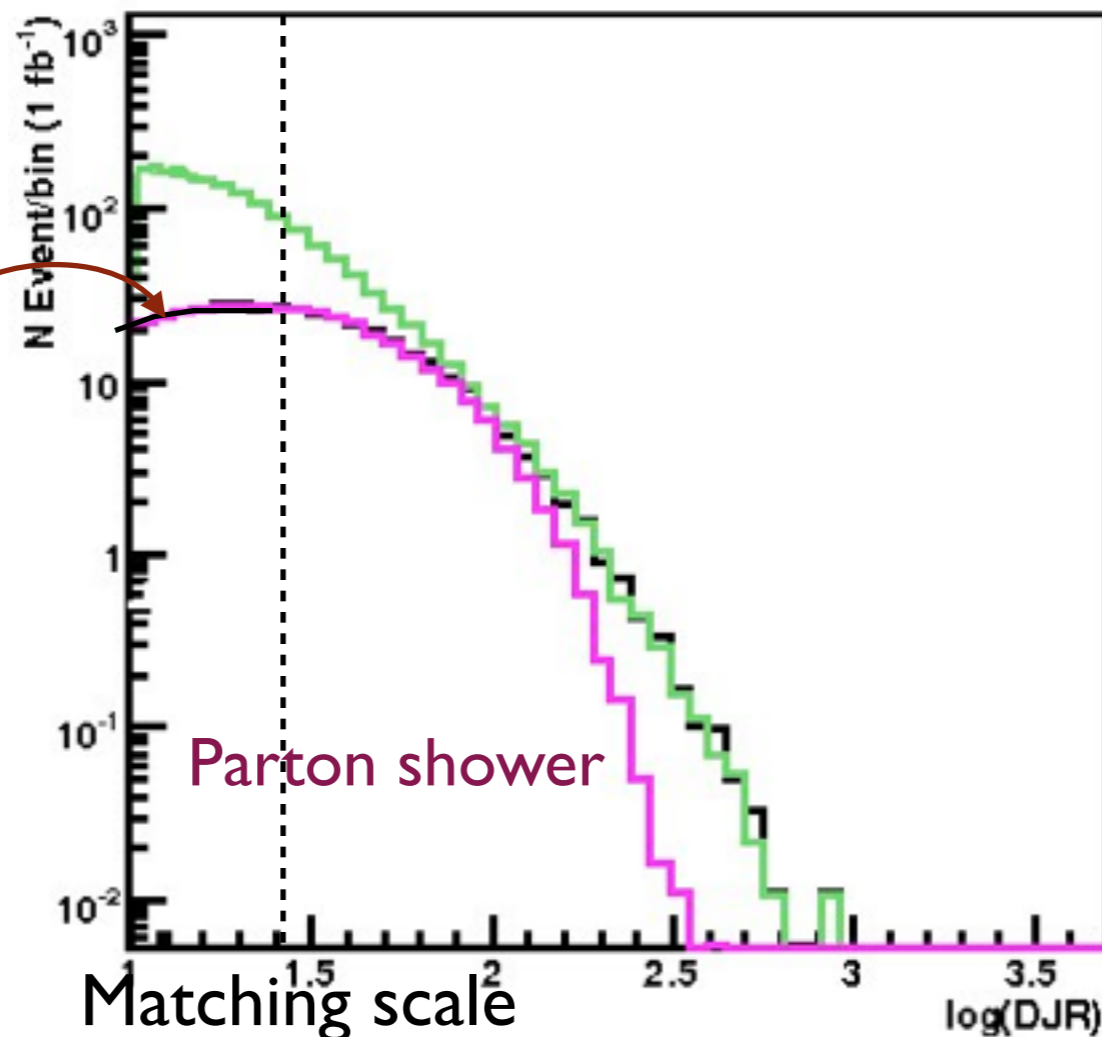
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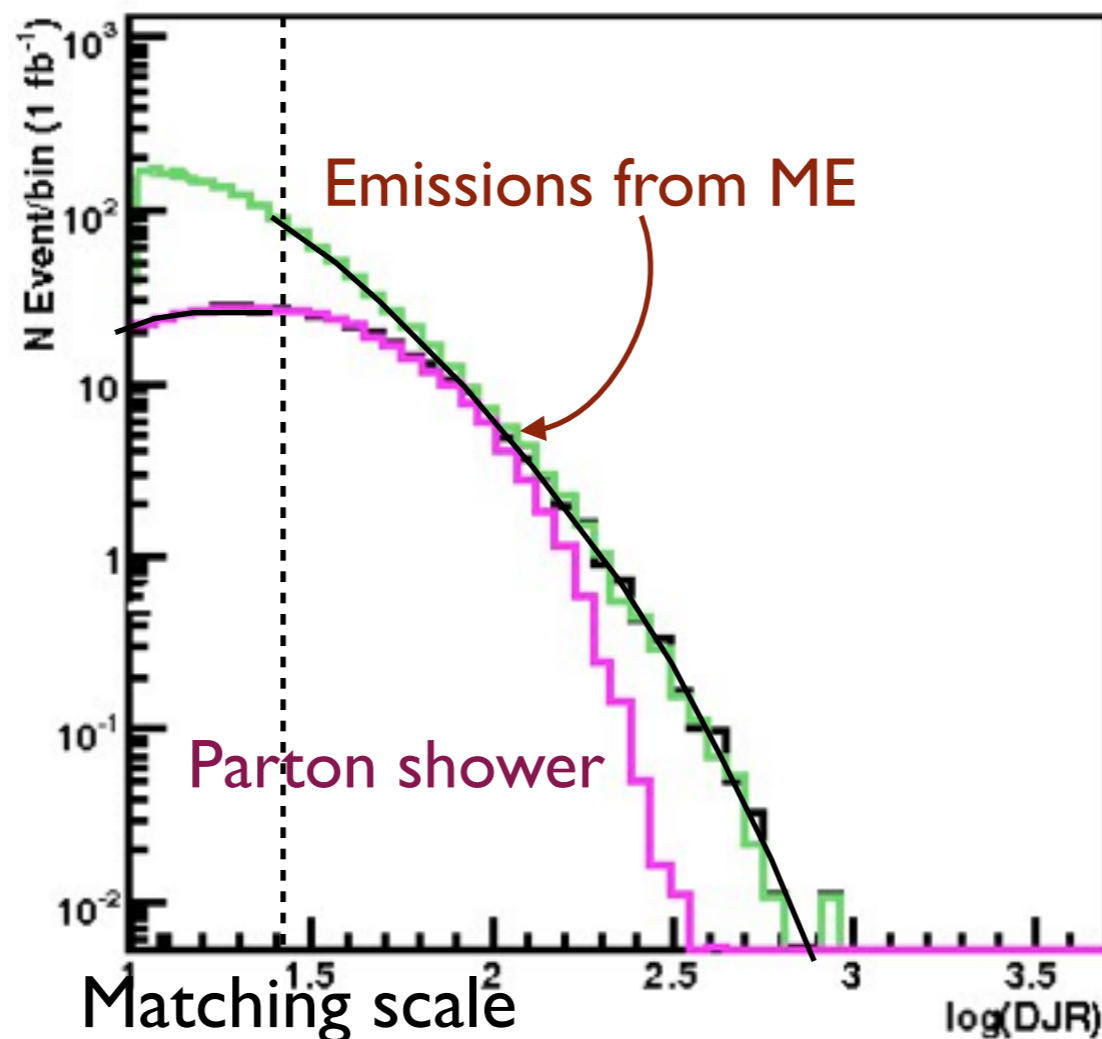
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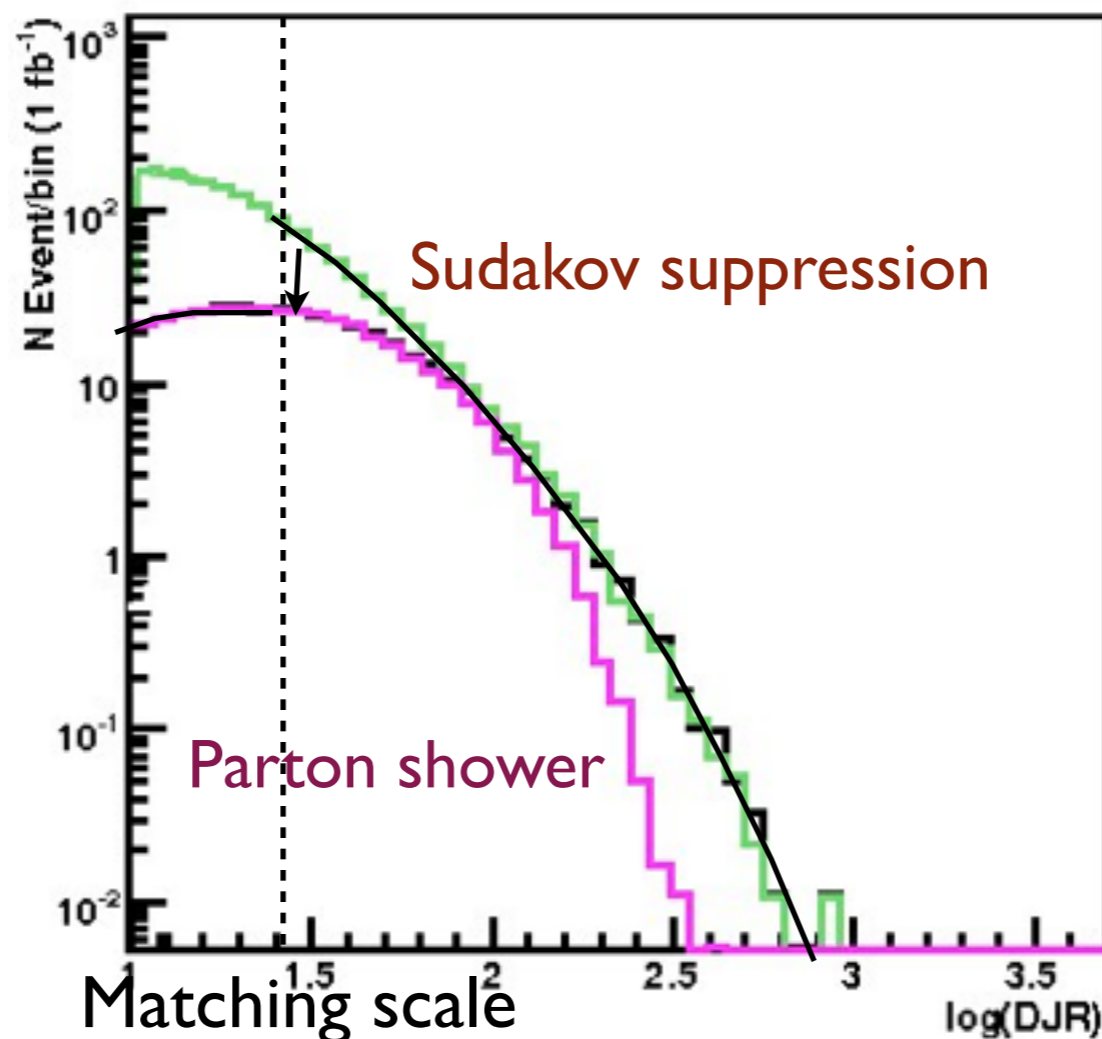
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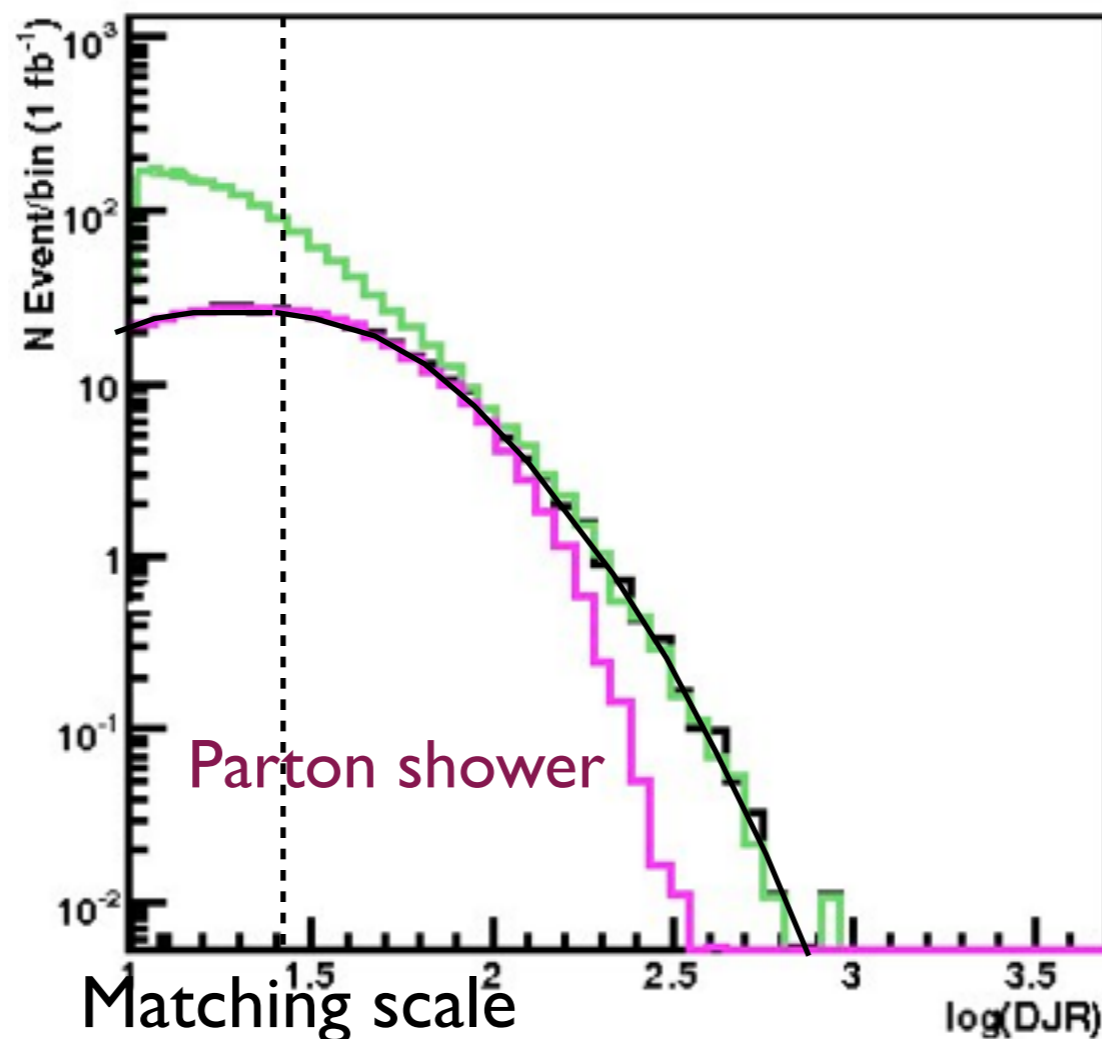
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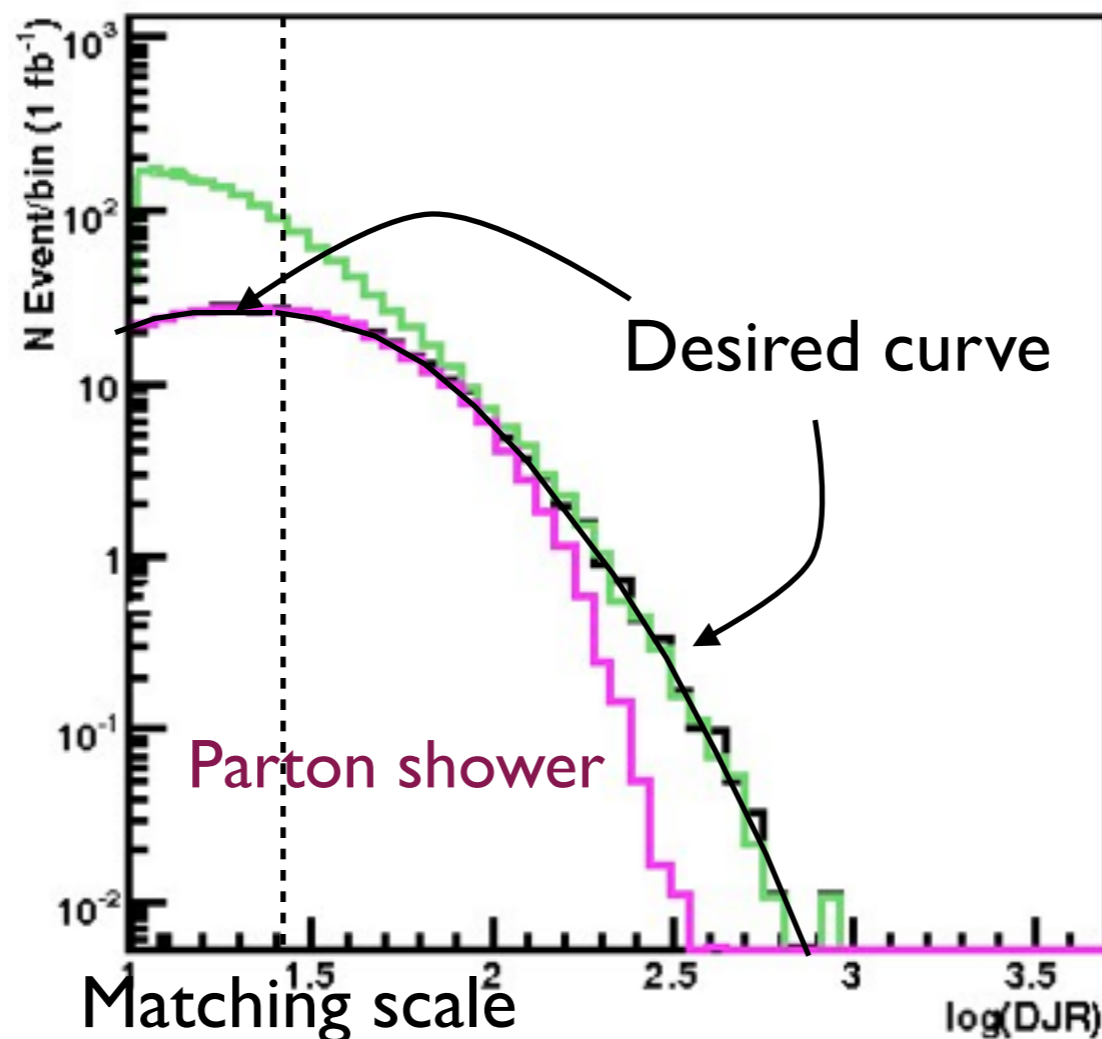
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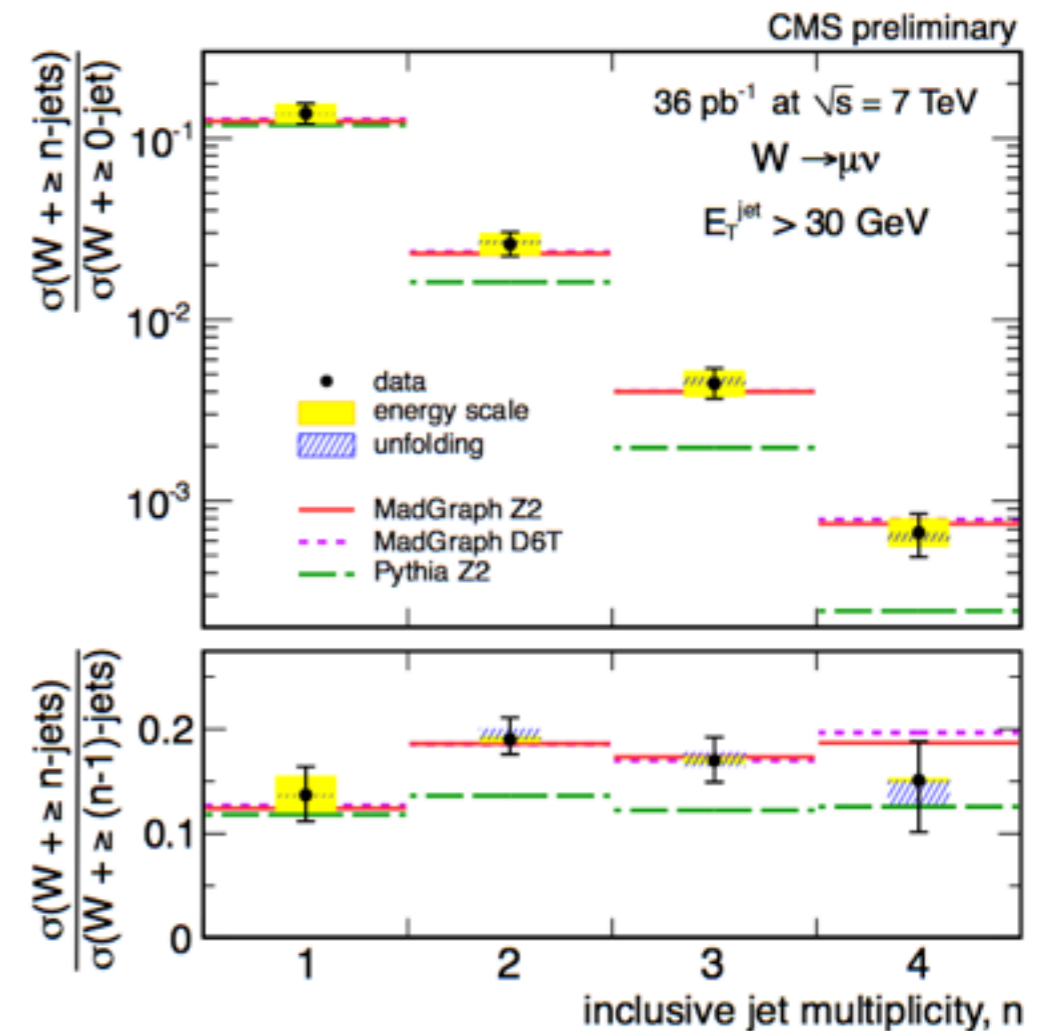
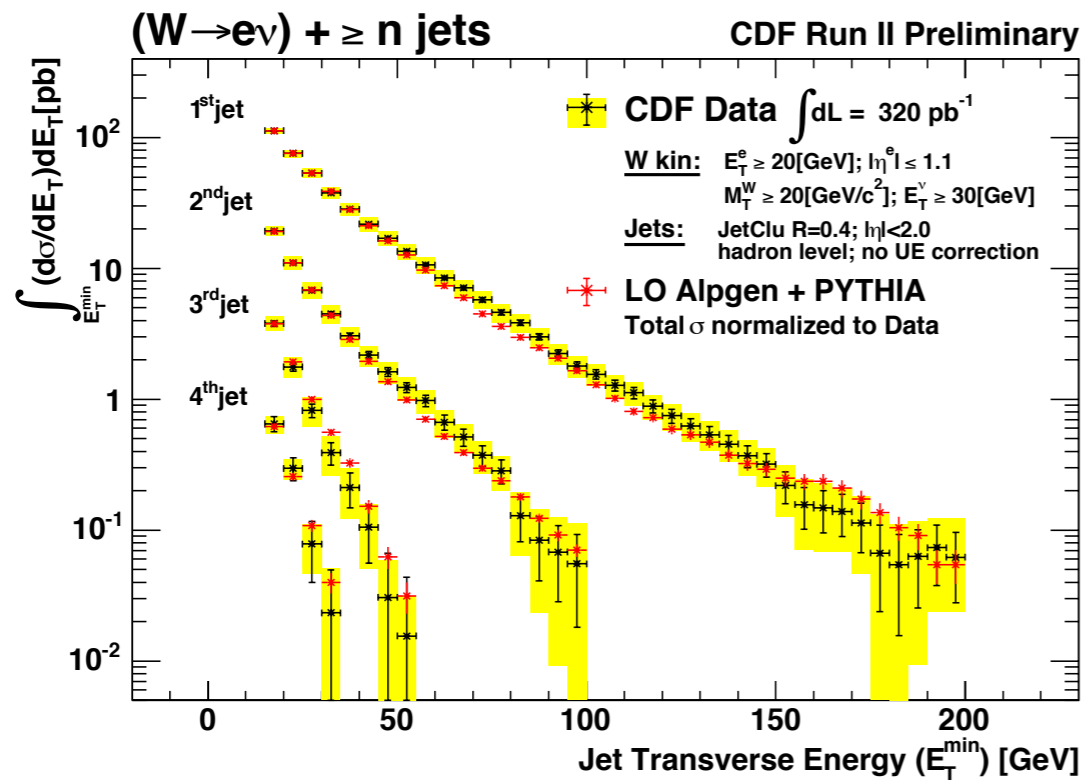
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2. Cluster each event and reweight α_s and PDFs based on the scales in the clustering vertices
3. Apply Sudakov factors to account for the required non-radiation above clustering cutoff scale and generate parton shower emissions below clustering cutoff:
 - a. (CKKW) Analytical Sudakovs + truncated showers
 - b. (CKKW-L) Sudakovs from truncated showers
 - c. (MLM) Sudakovs from reclustered shower emissions

Comparing to experiment: W+jets



- Very good agreement at Tevatron (left) and LHC (right)
- Matched samples obtained via different matching schemes (MLM and CKKW) consistent within the expected uncertainties.
- Pure parton shower (Pythia) doesn't describe the data beyond 1st jet.