



# New physics simulations at colliders

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# Outline

1. A comprehensive approach for Monte Carlo simulations
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3. From models to hard-scattering events
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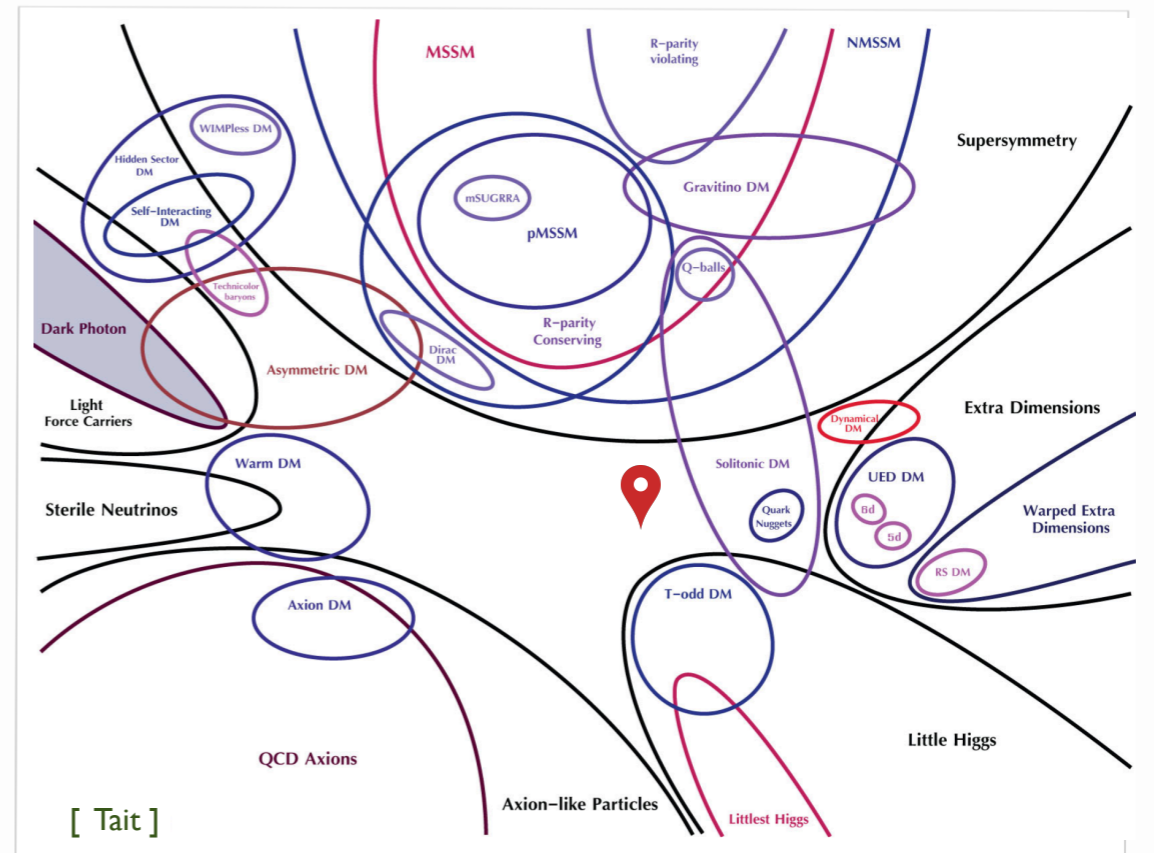
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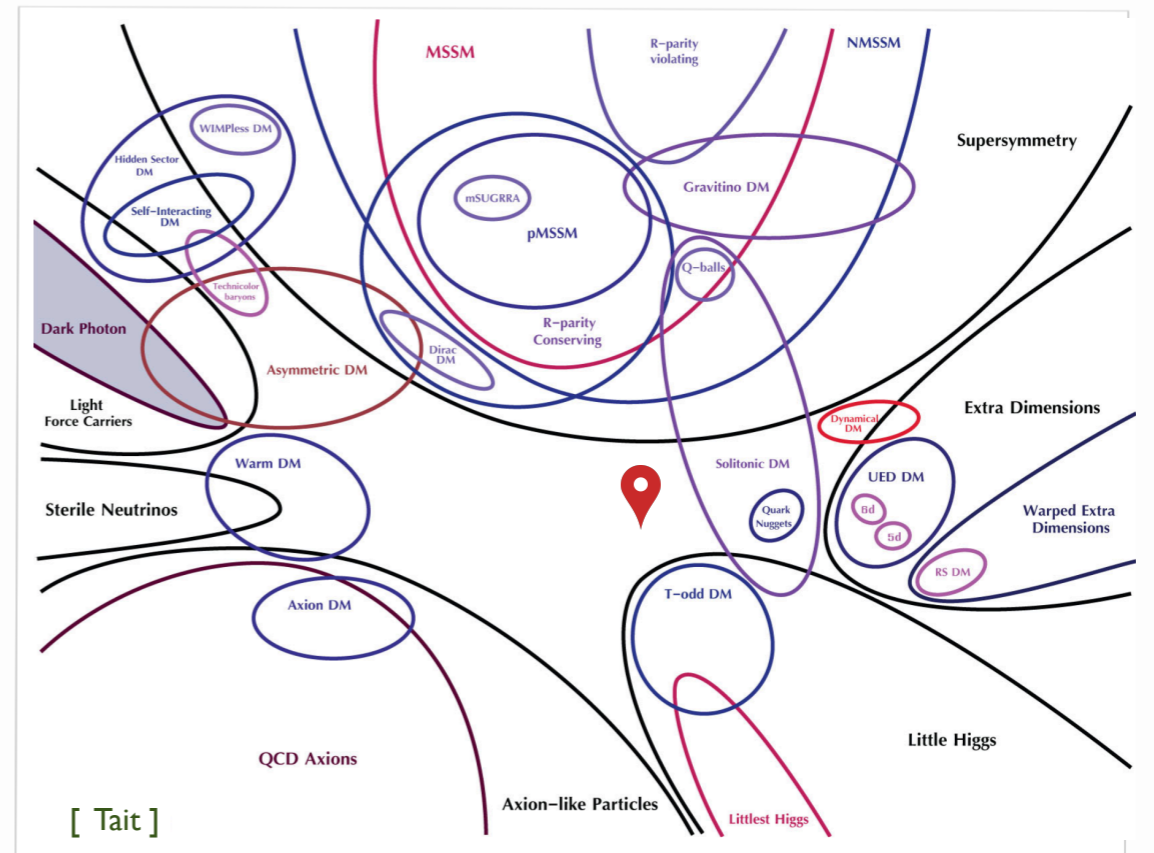


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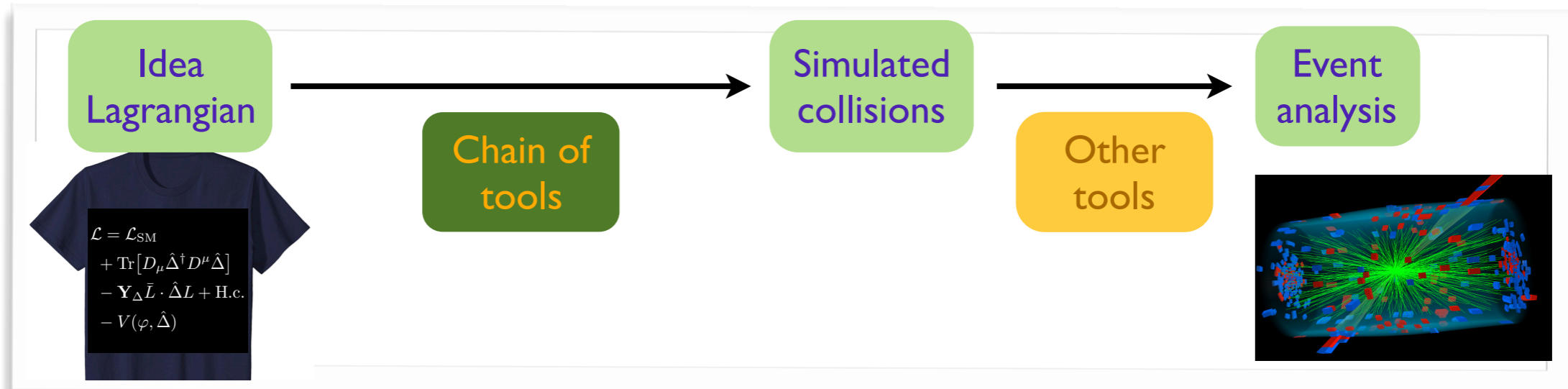
- ❖ 20-25 years of developments → LO simulations are bread and butter
- ❖ Simulations at the NLO QCD accuracy easily achieved
  - ★ For any model/process (→ MADGRAPH5\_aMC@NLO)

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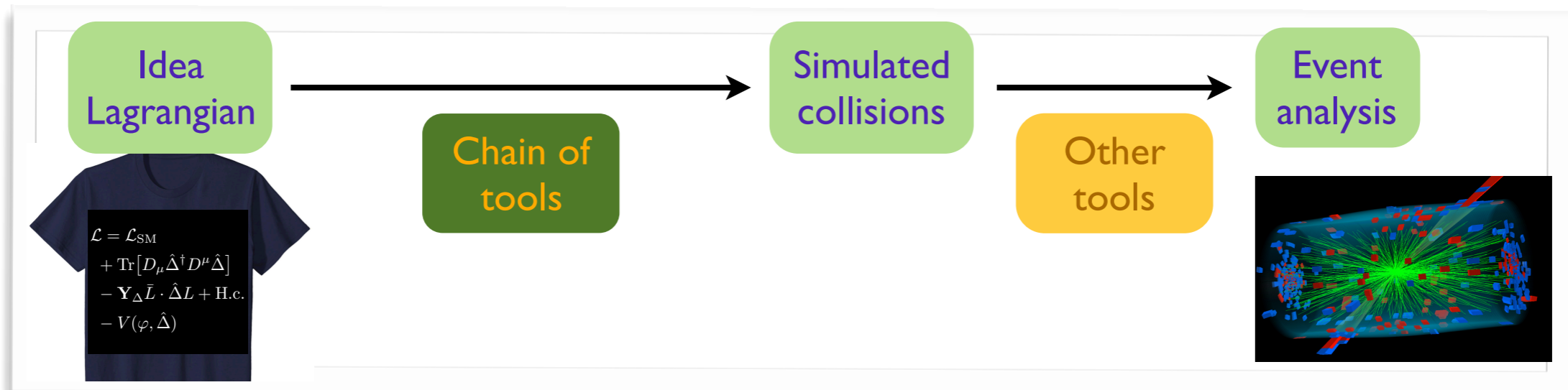


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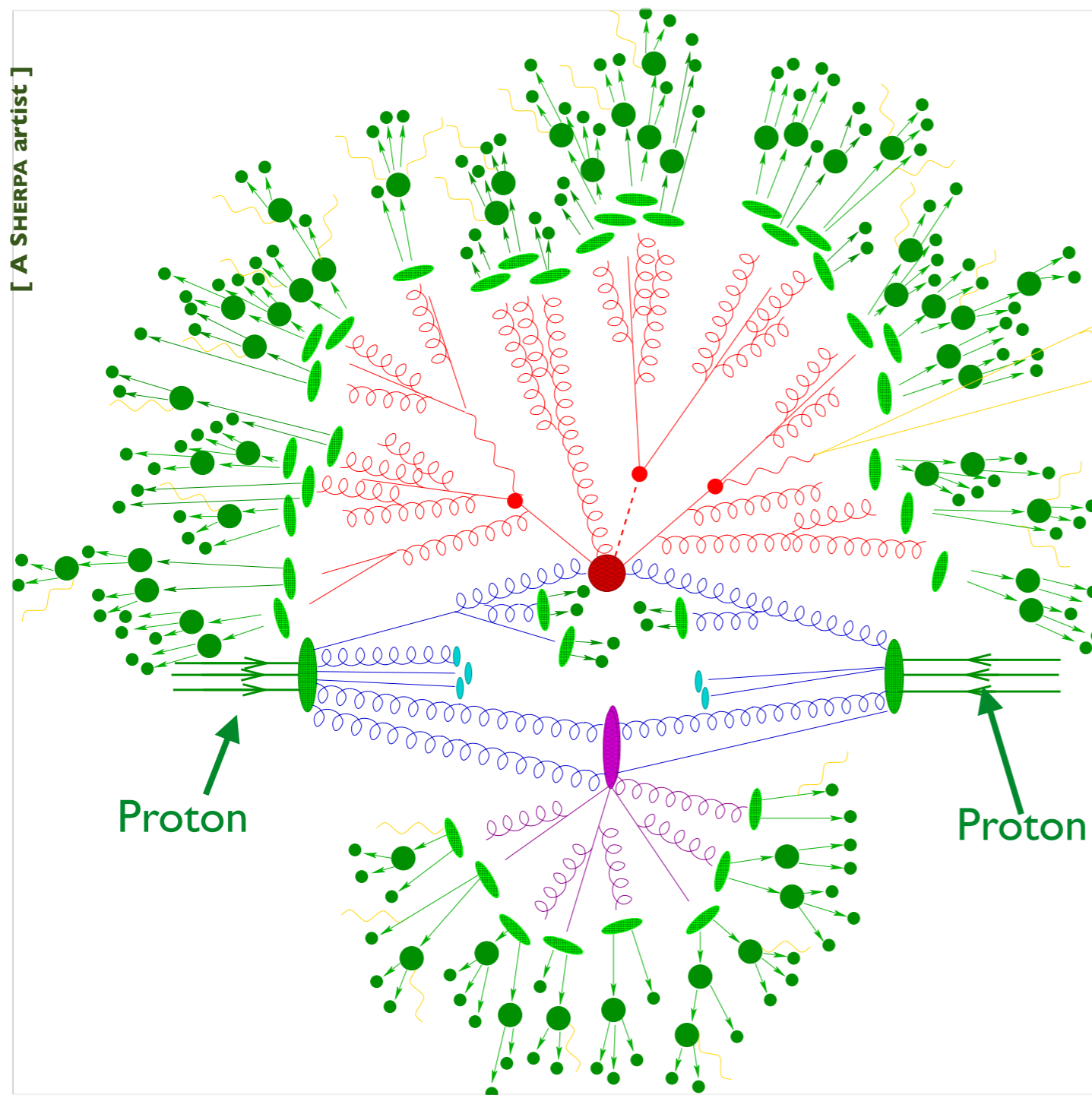
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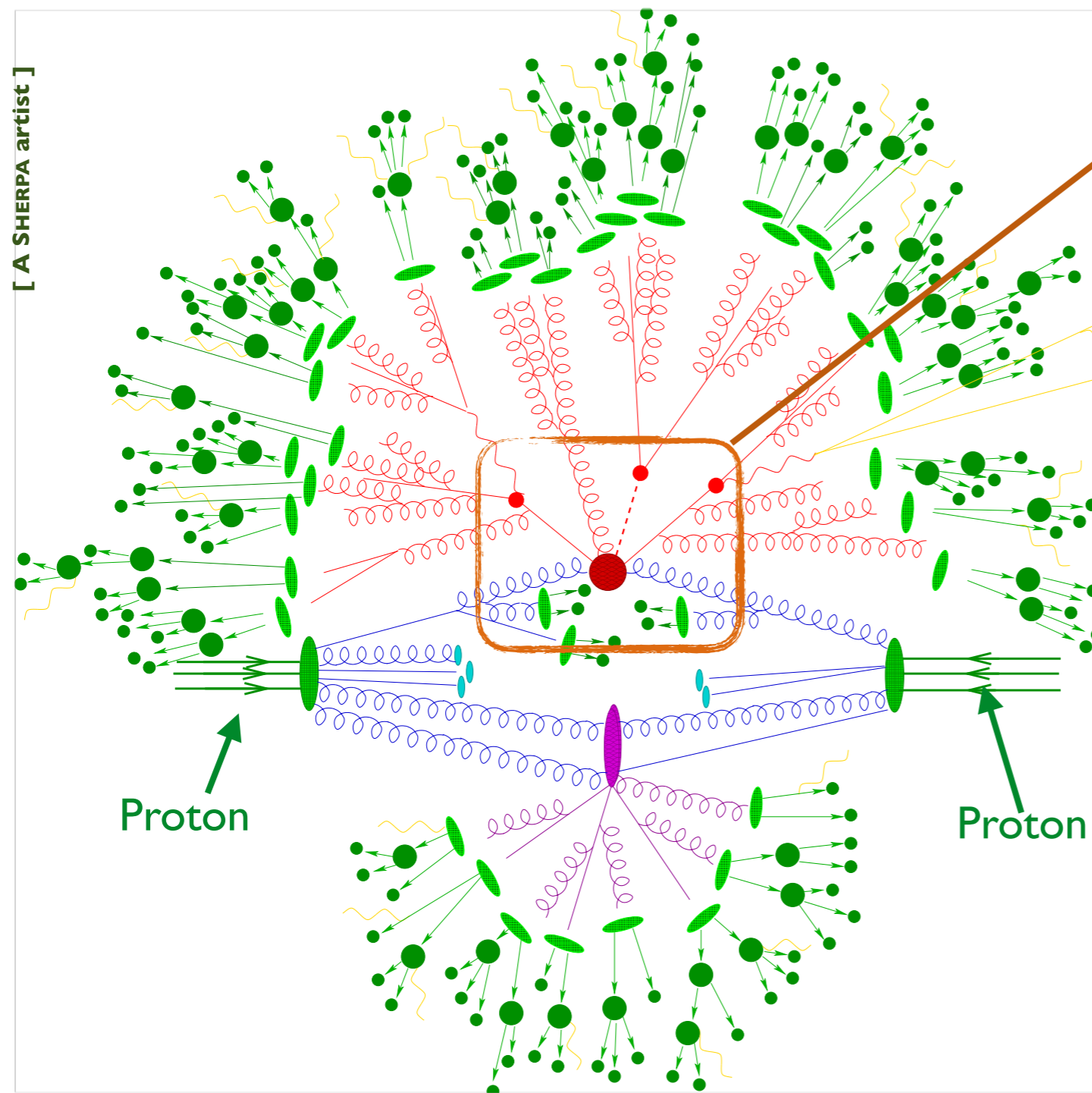
## ◆ Why a chain of several tools?

- ❖ Phenomena at colliders occur at different scales  $\rightarrow$  factorisation

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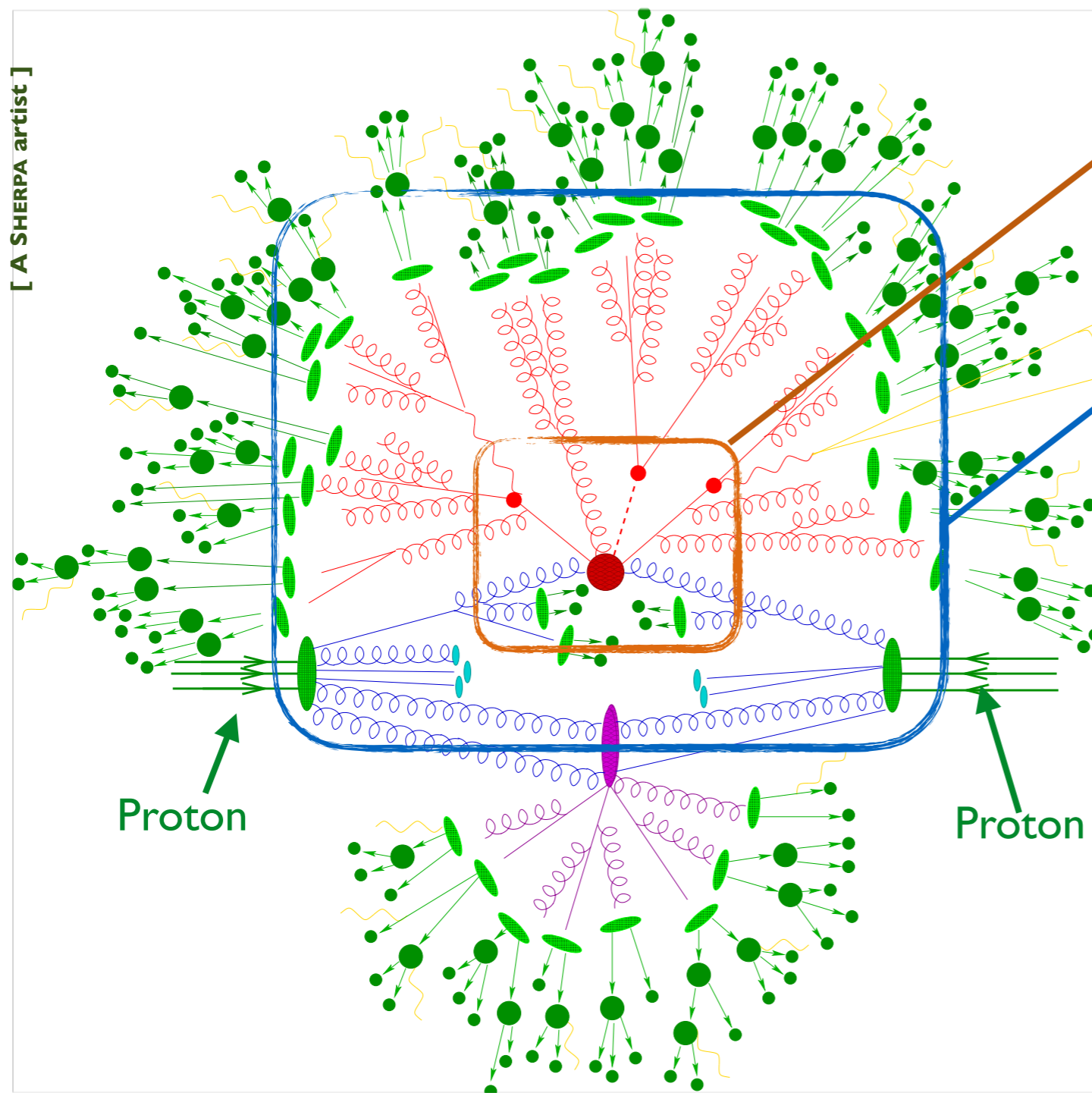


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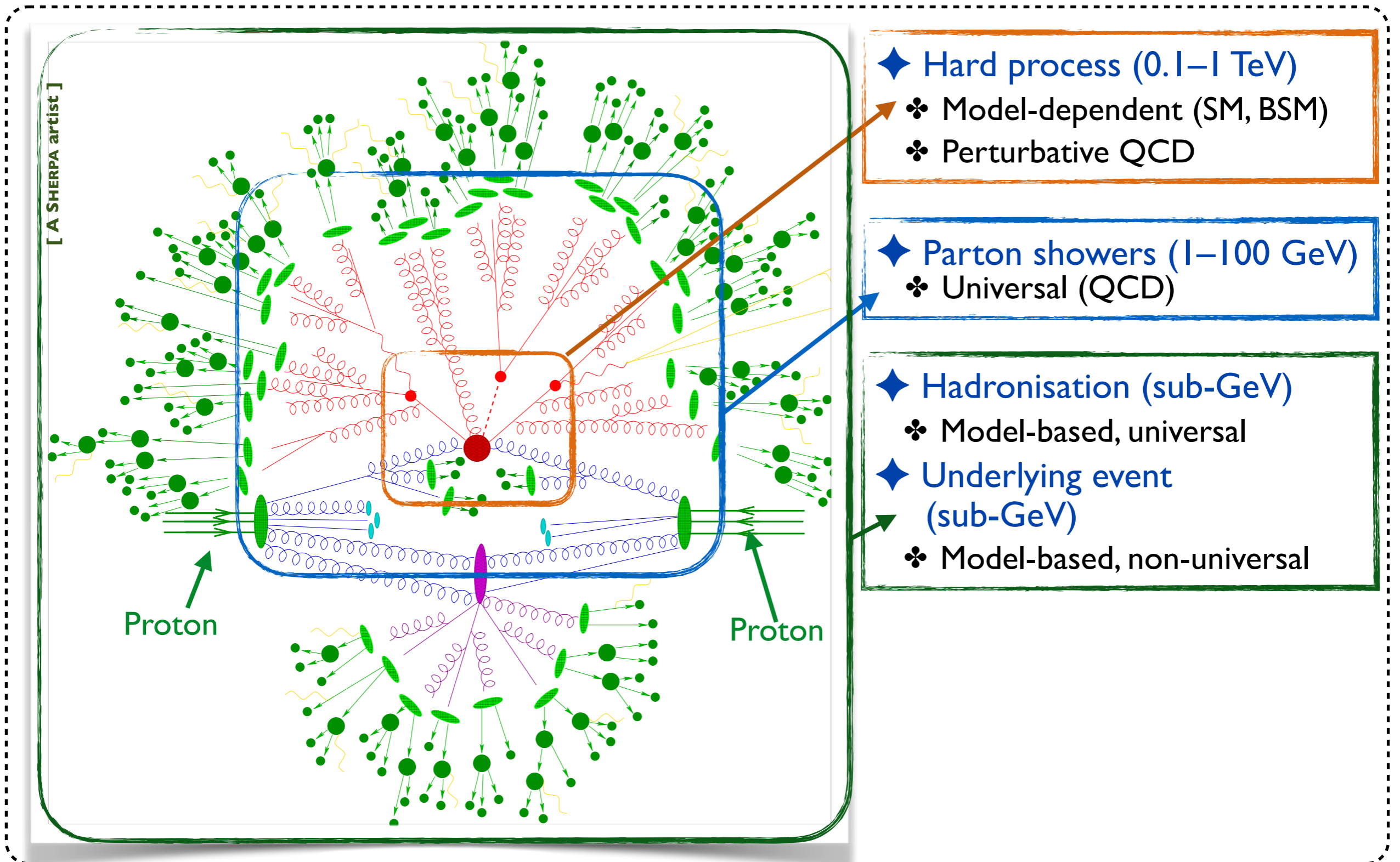
◆ Parton showers (1–100 GeV)

♣ Universal (QCD)

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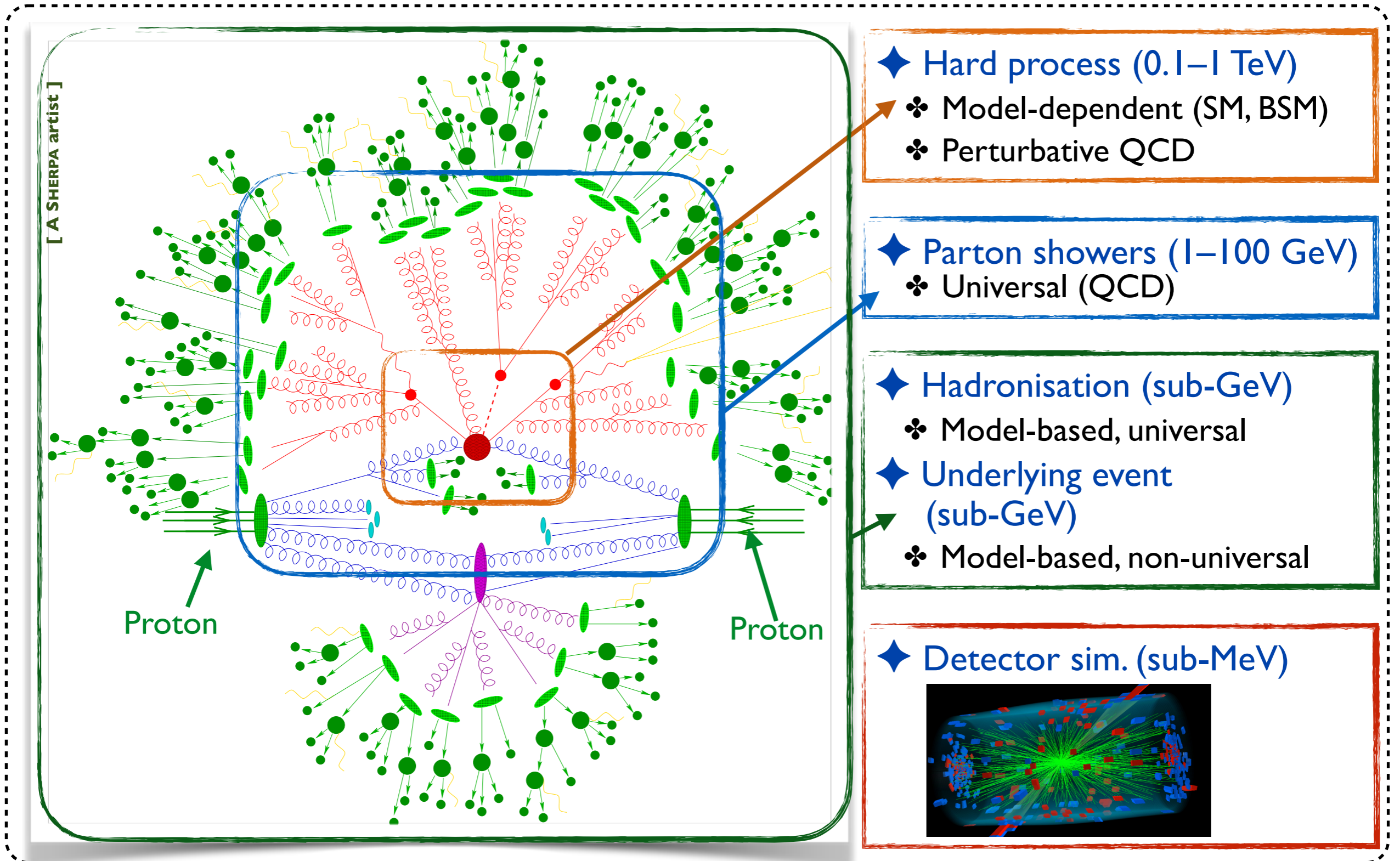
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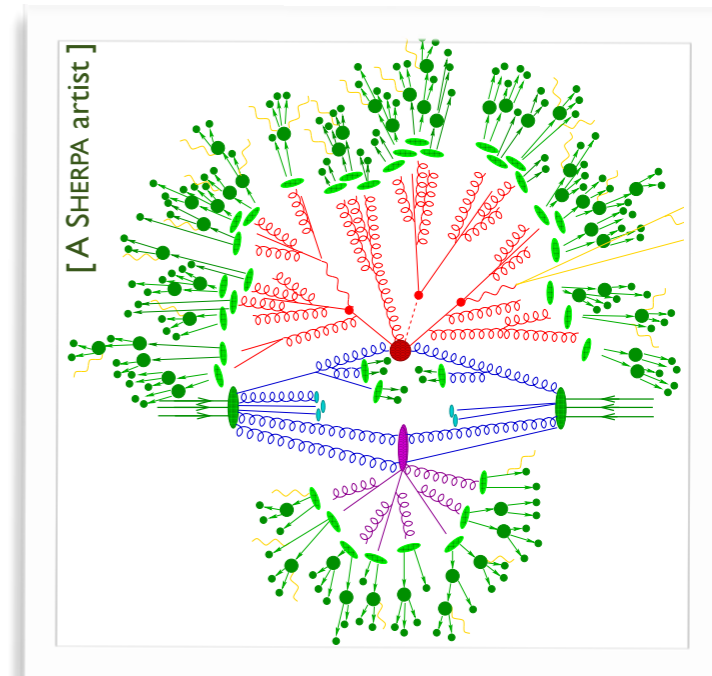


# Monte Carlo simulations for proton collisions

## ◆ Multi-scale problem $\rightarrow$ factorisation

- ♣ TeV scale: hard scattering (**new physics?**)
- ♣ Down to  $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$ : QCD environment
- ♣ Down to sub-MeV: interactions with a detector

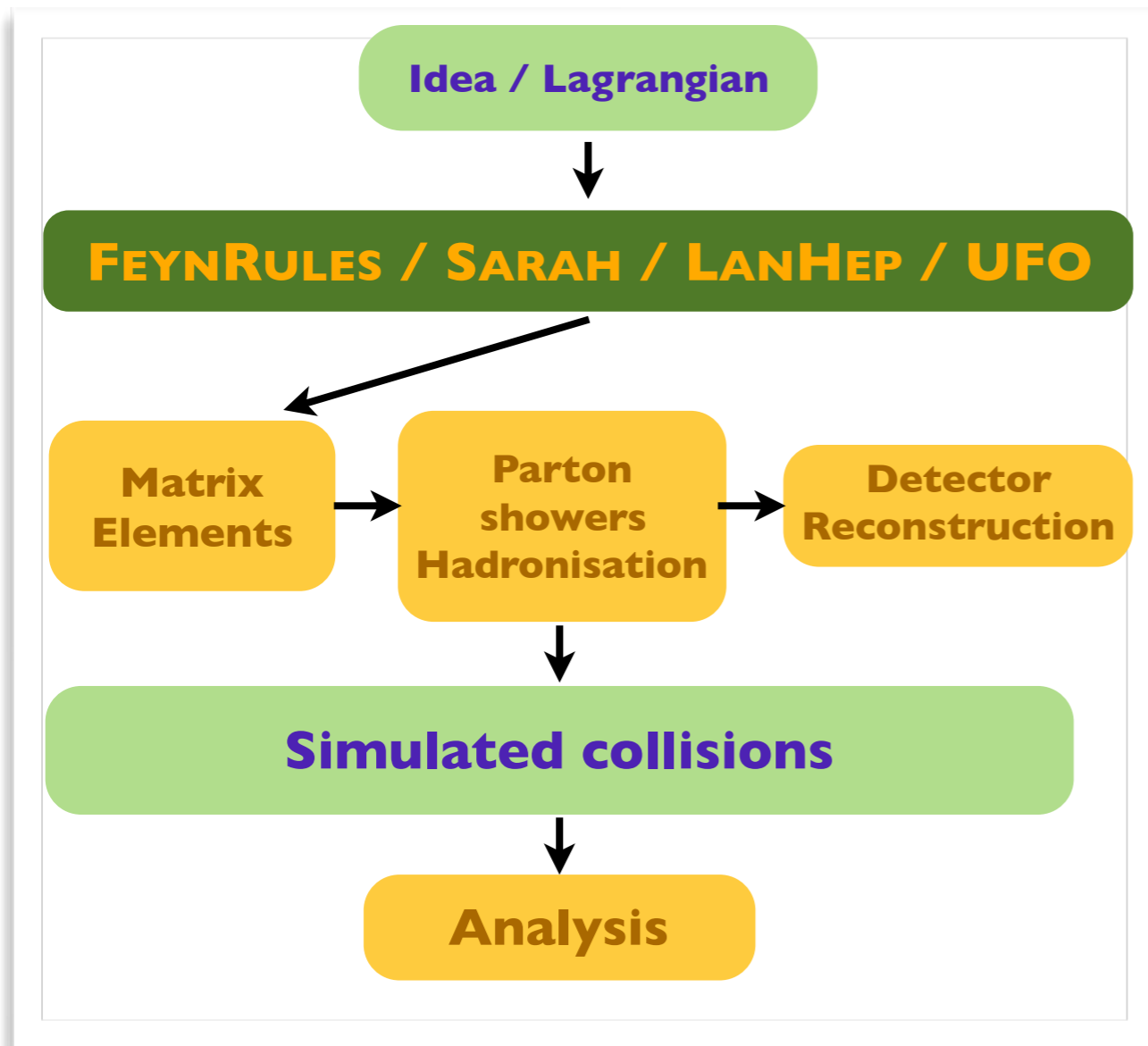
**Tools and methods for each step**



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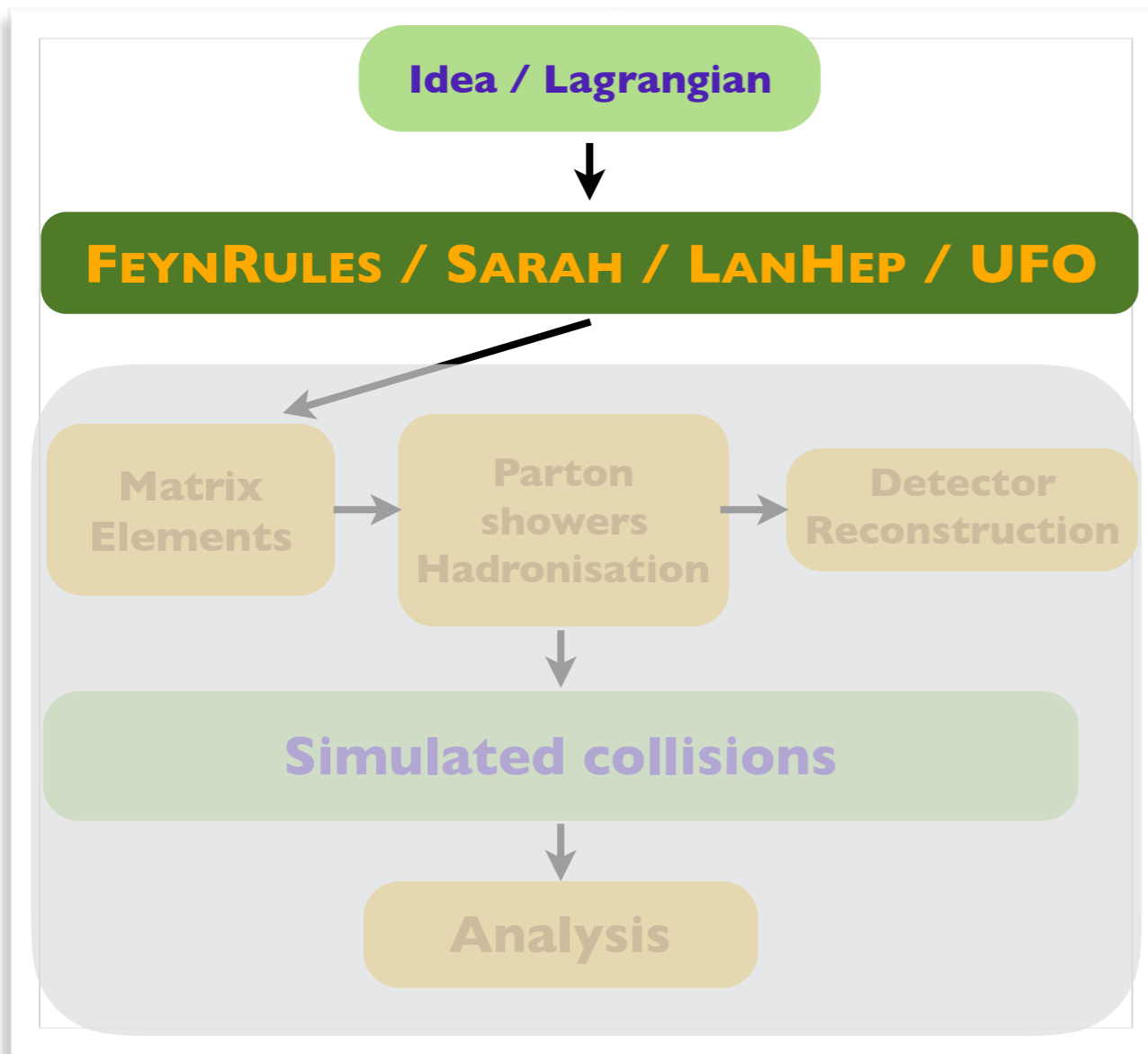


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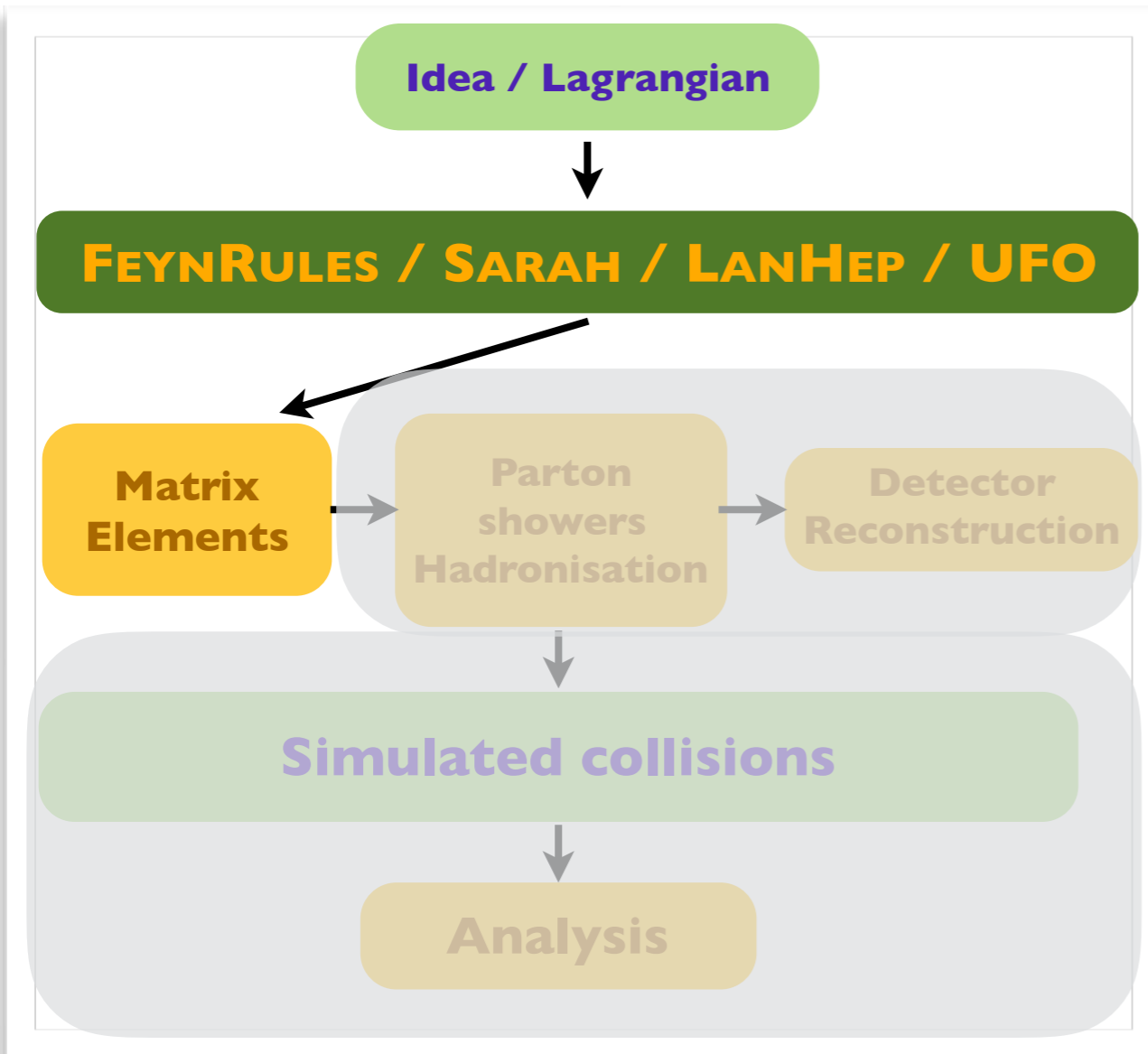
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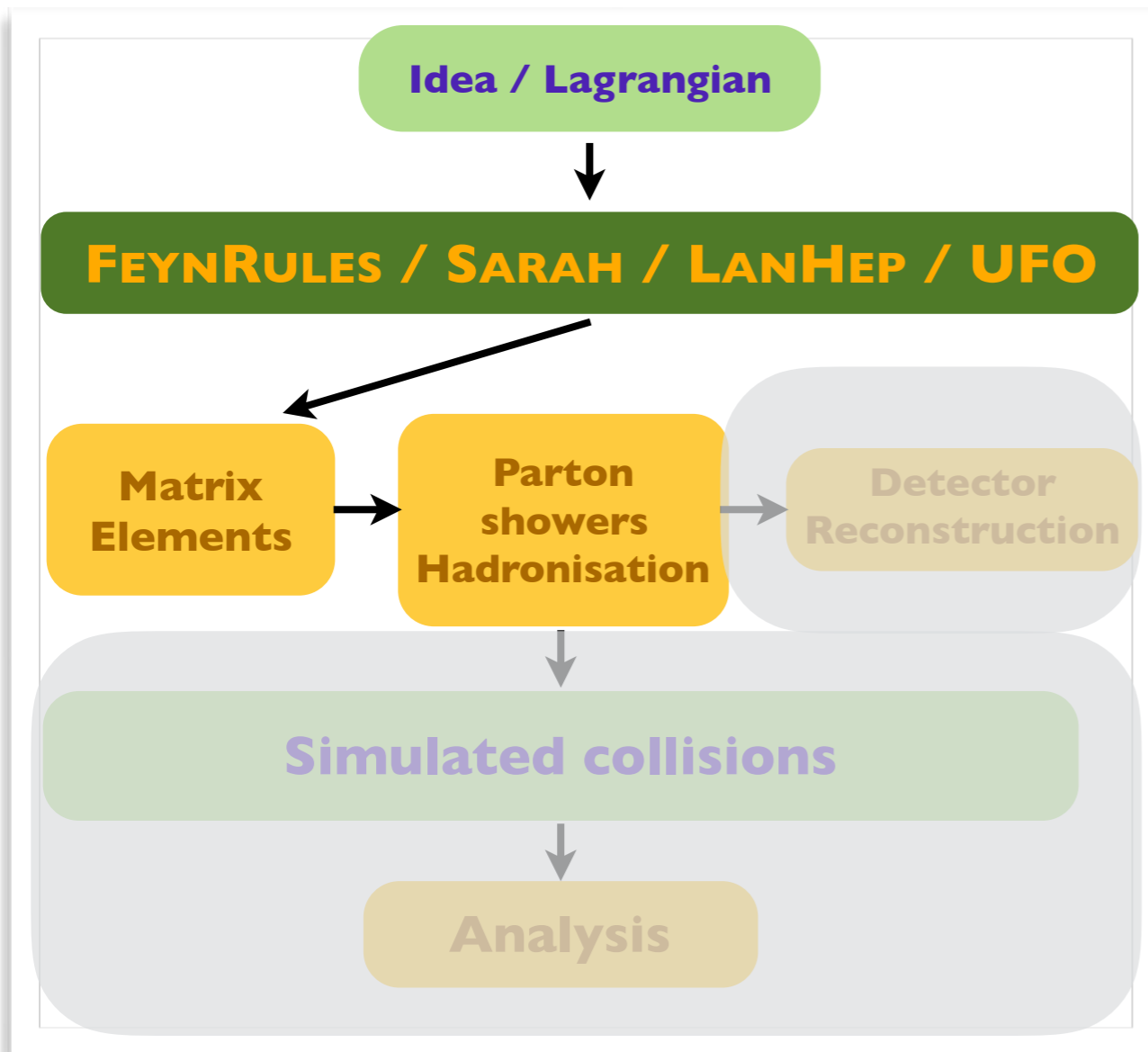
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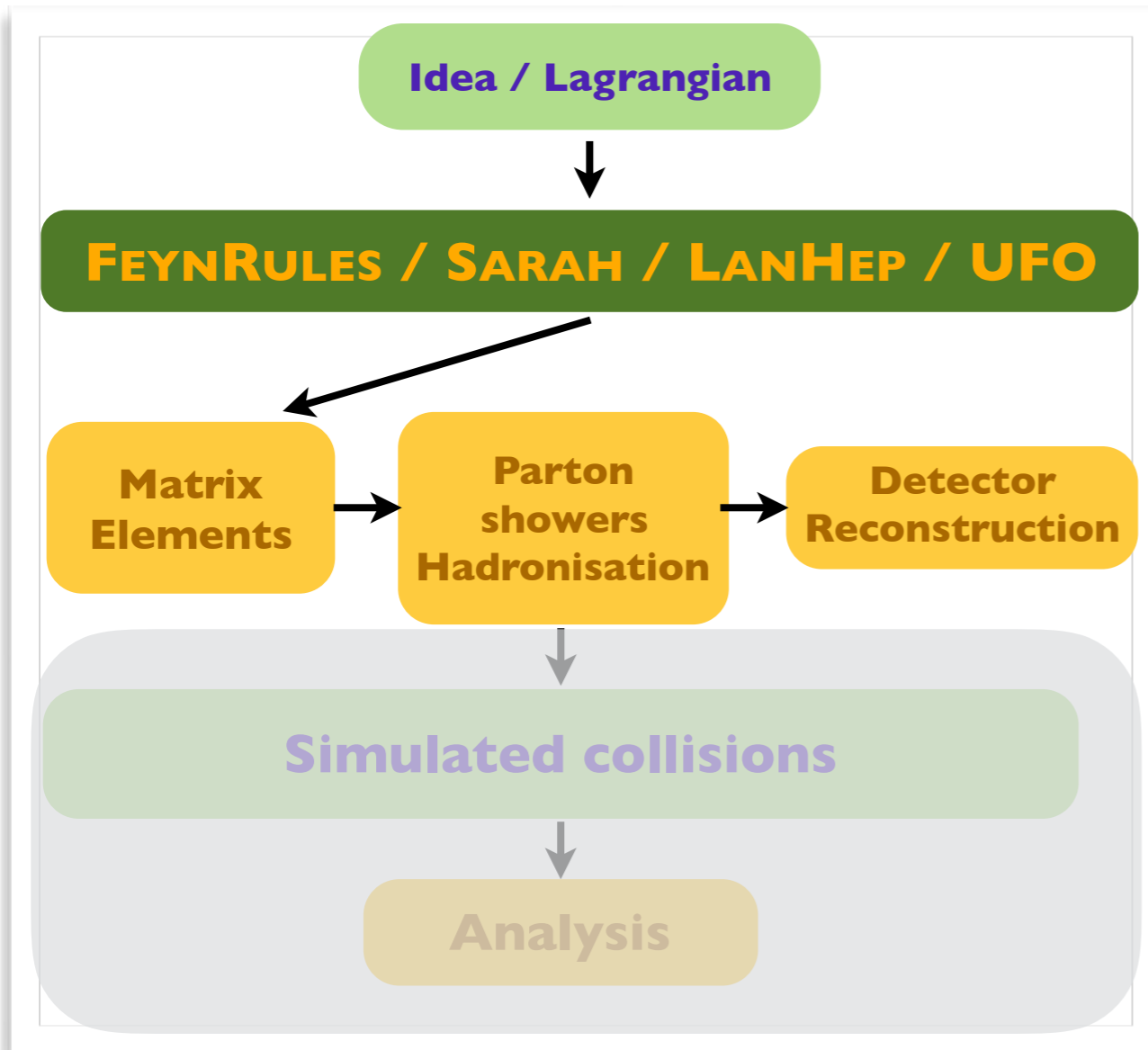
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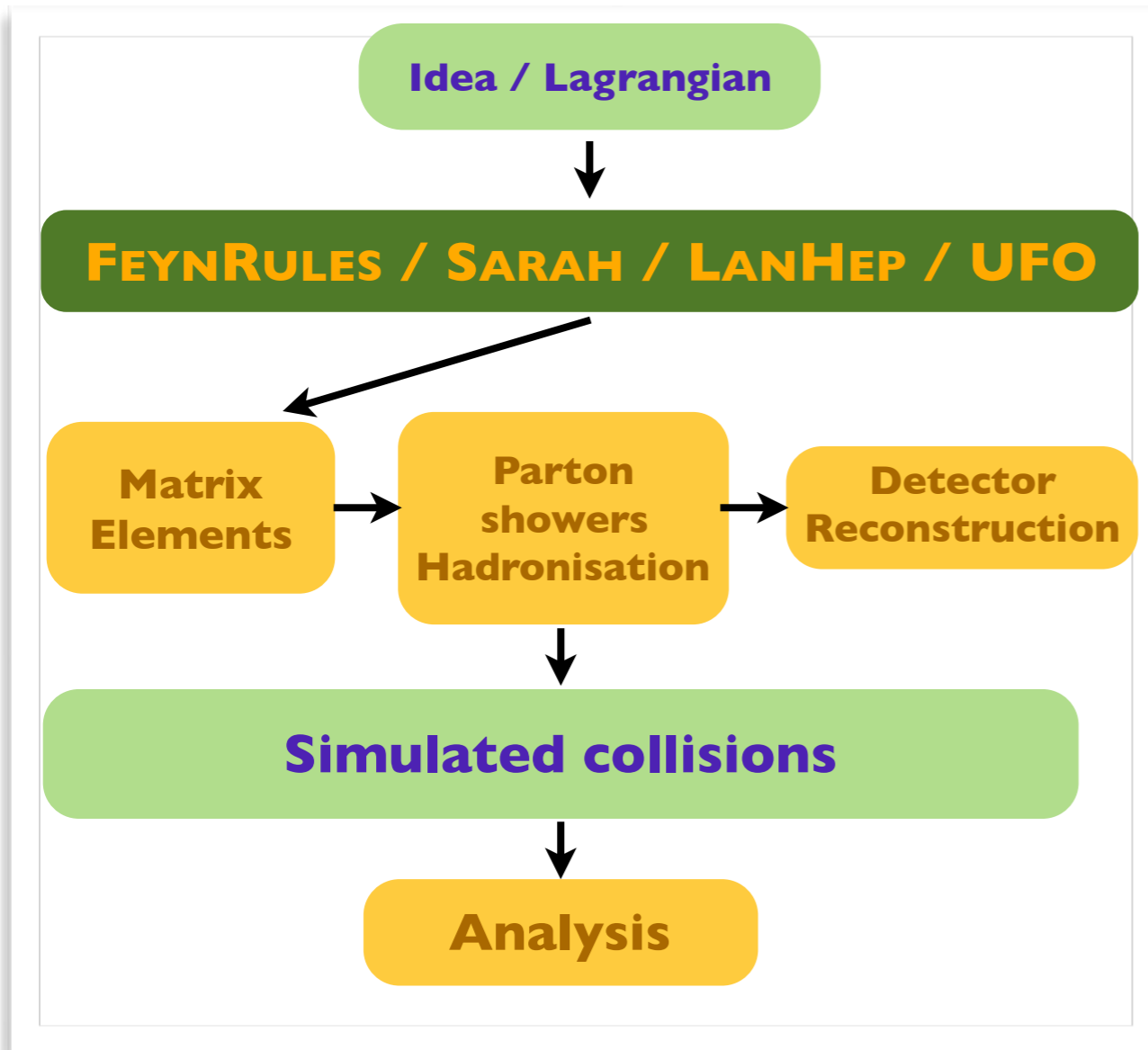


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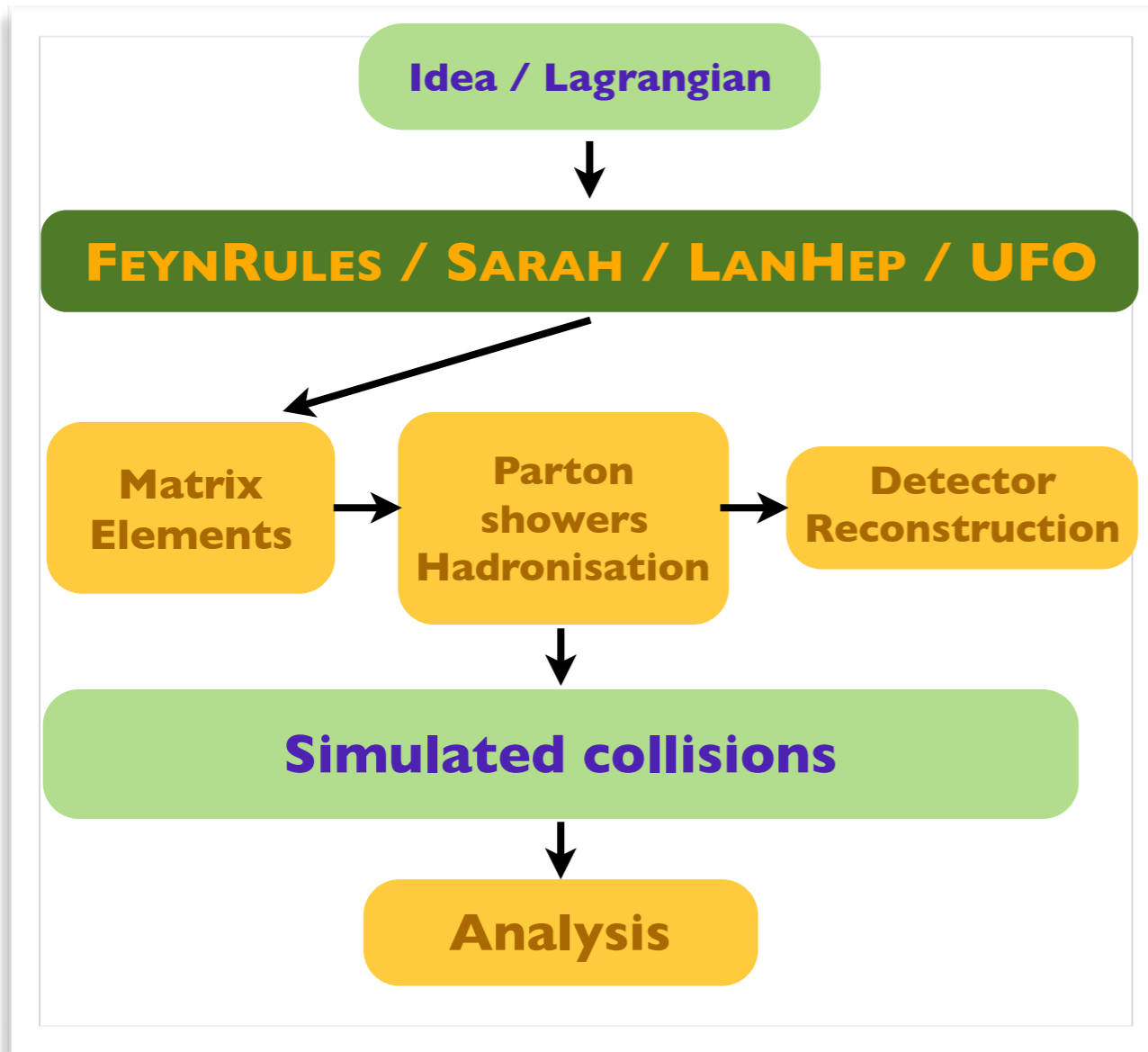
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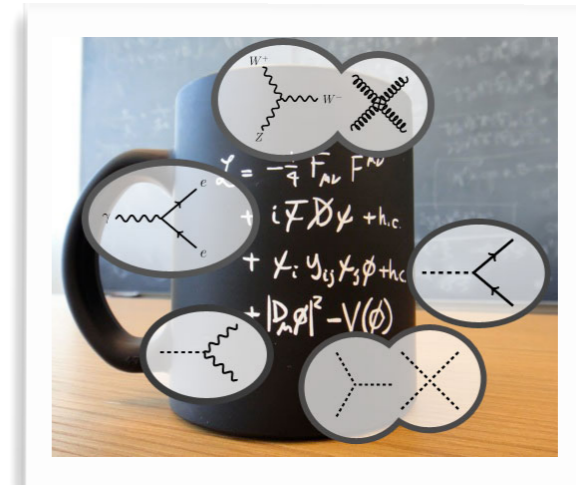
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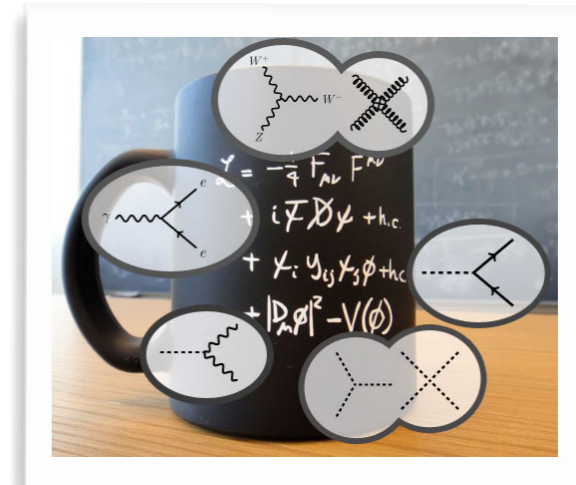
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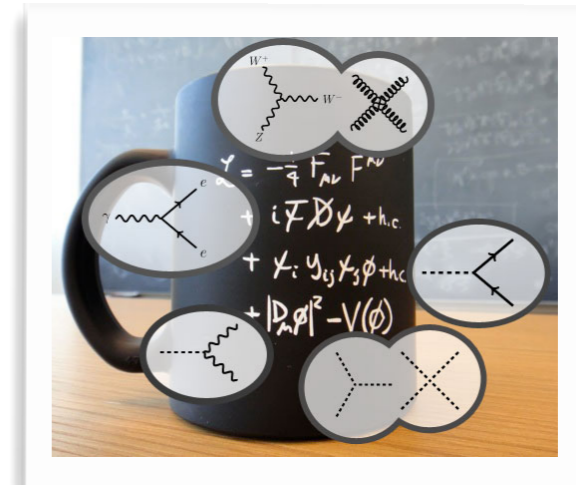
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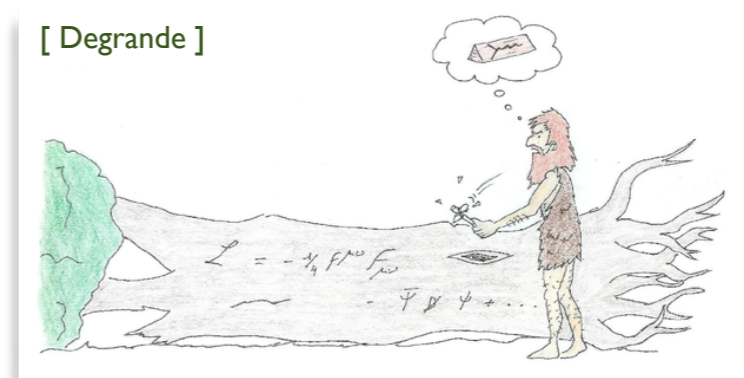


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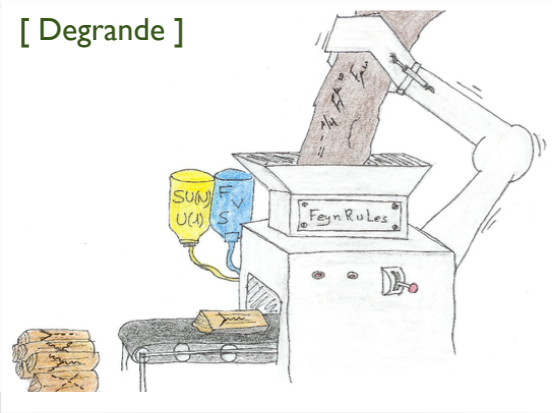
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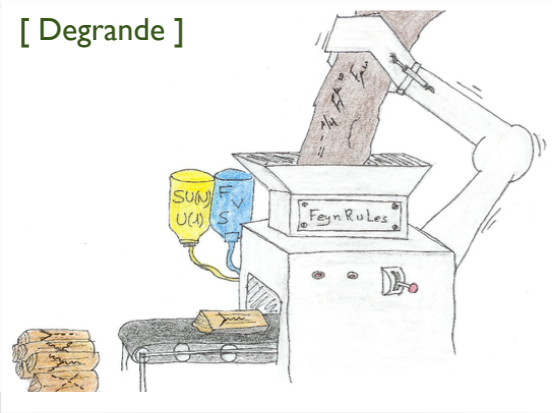
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[ Degrande ]



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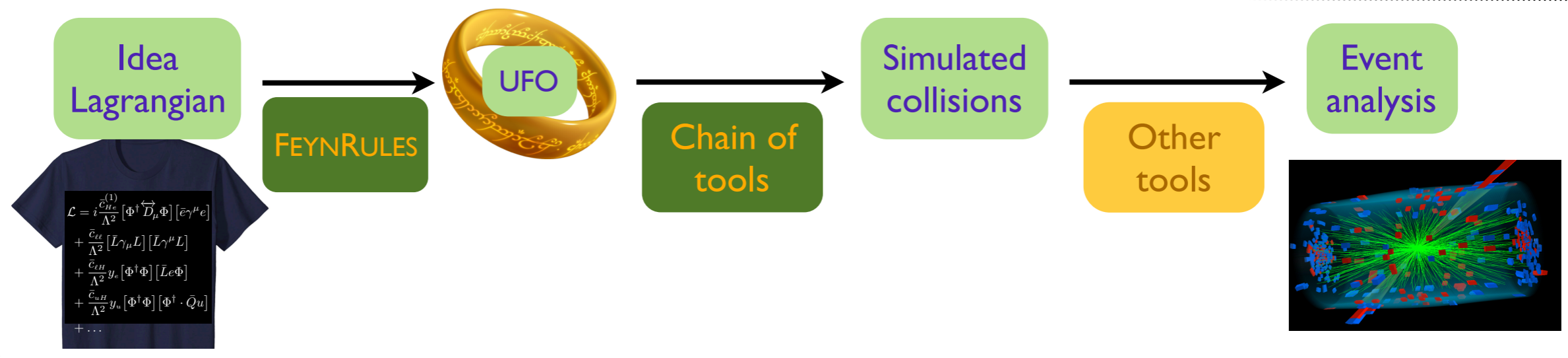
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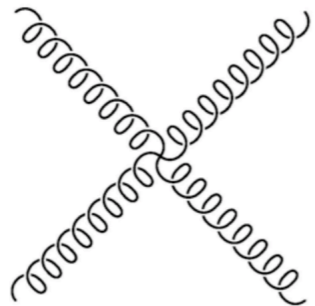
LANHEP

SARAH

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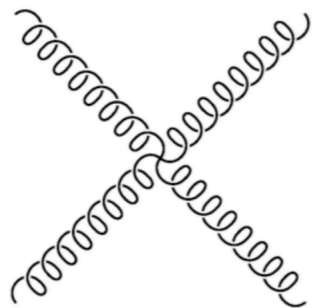


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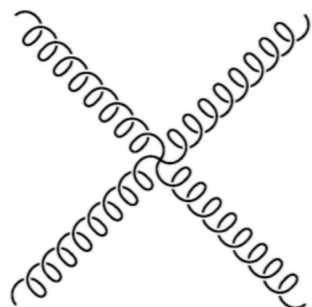
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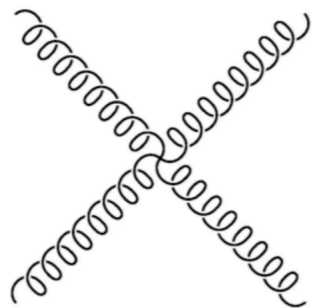
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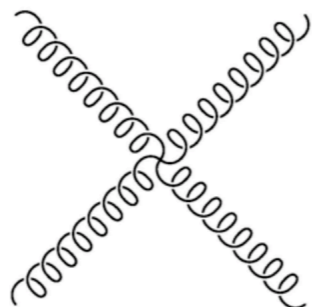
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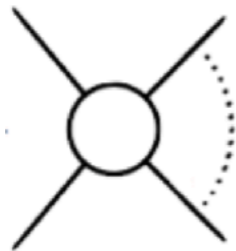
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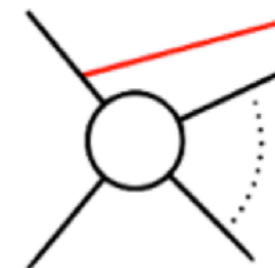
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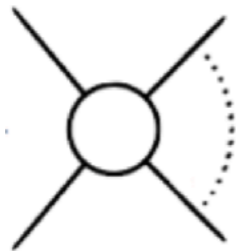
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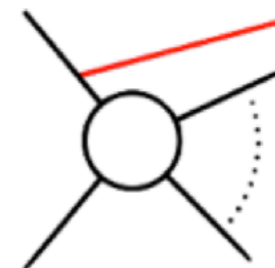
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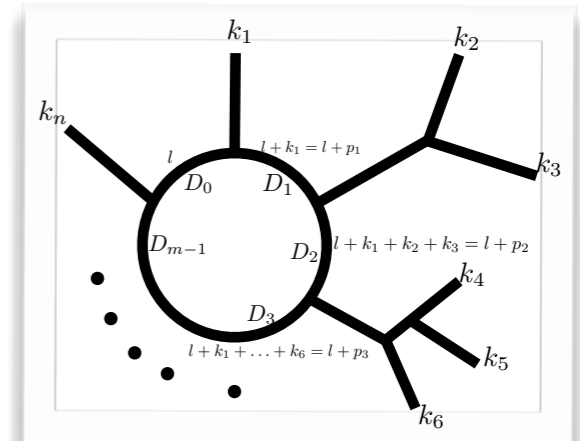
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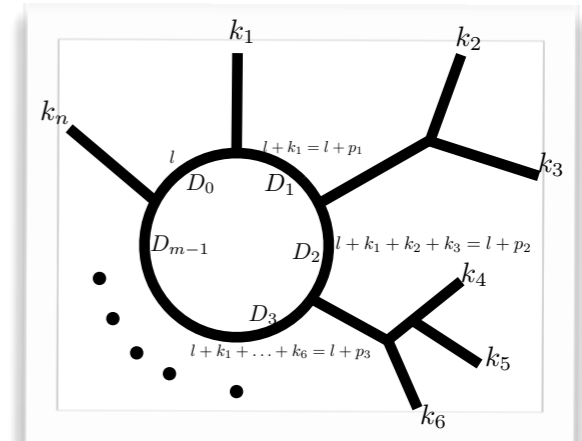
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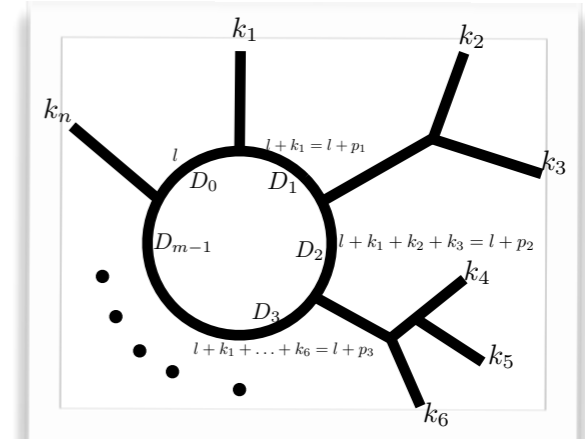
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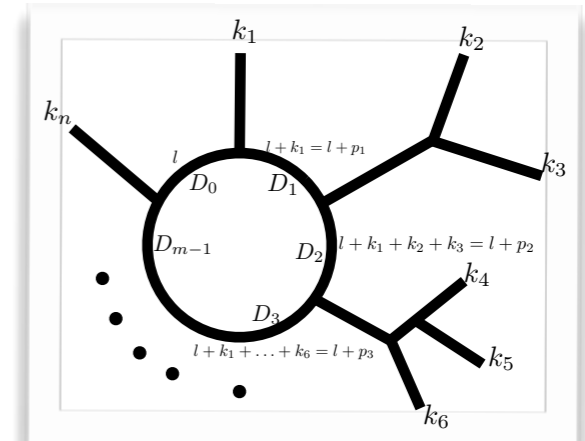
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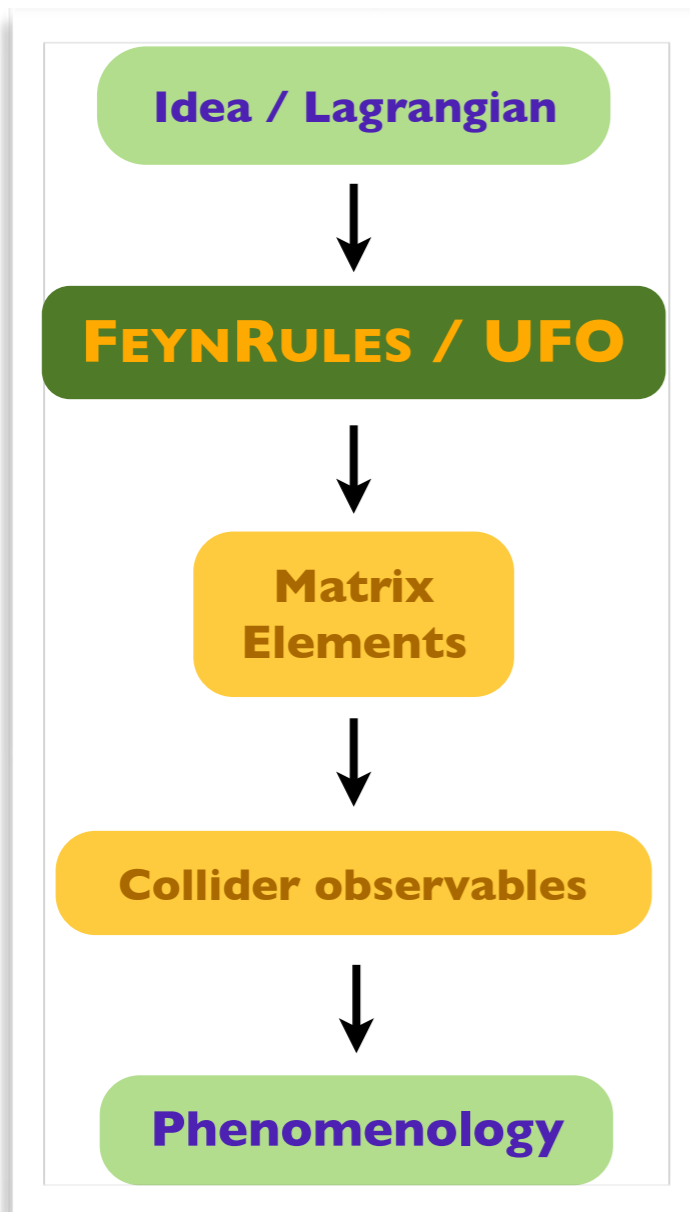
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**UFO @ NLO**

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[ Alloul, Christensen, Degrande, Duhr & BF (CPC'14) ; Degrande (CPC'15) ]  
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## ◆ Hard scattering

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[ Alwall et al. (JHEP'14) ]

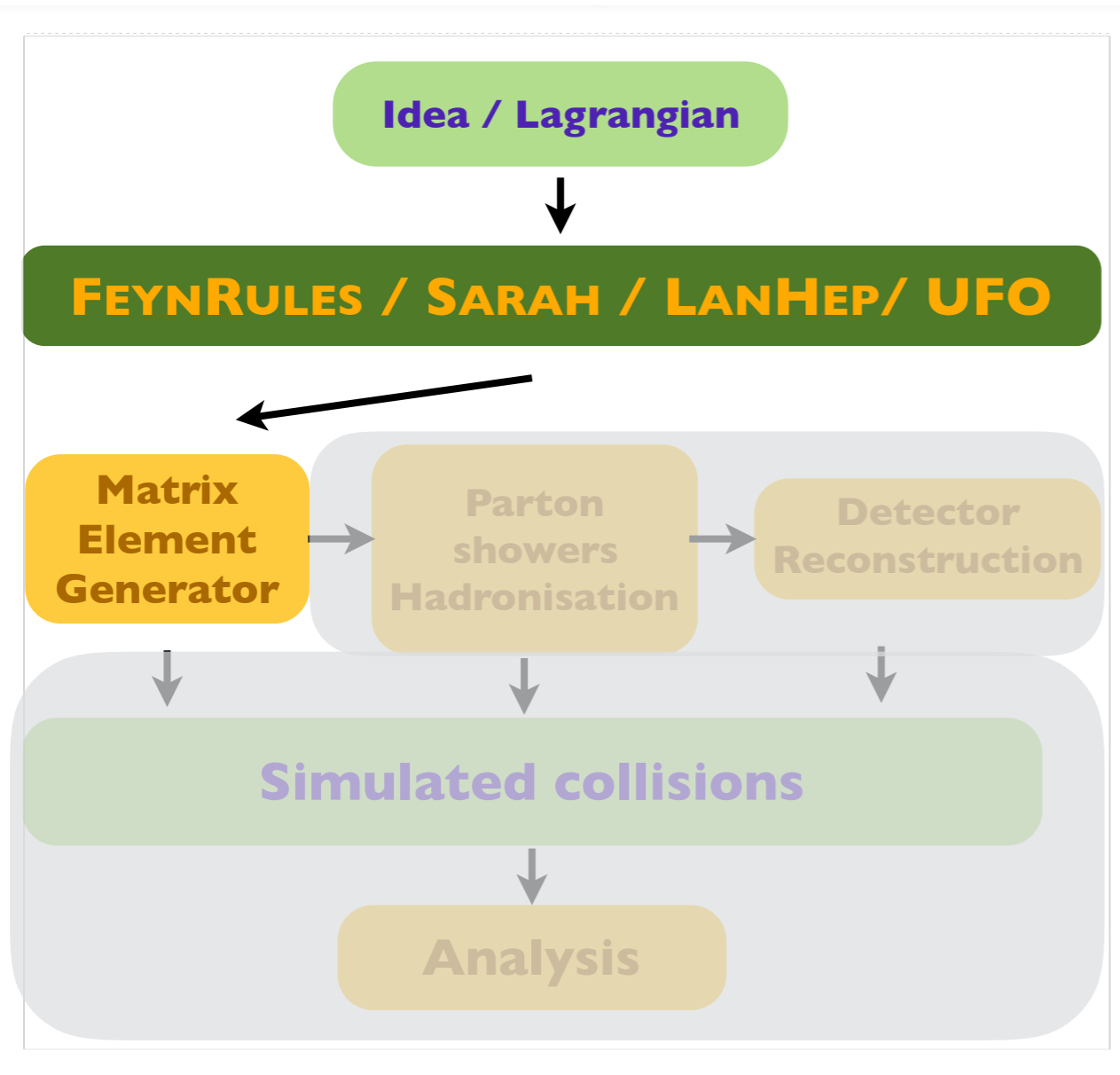
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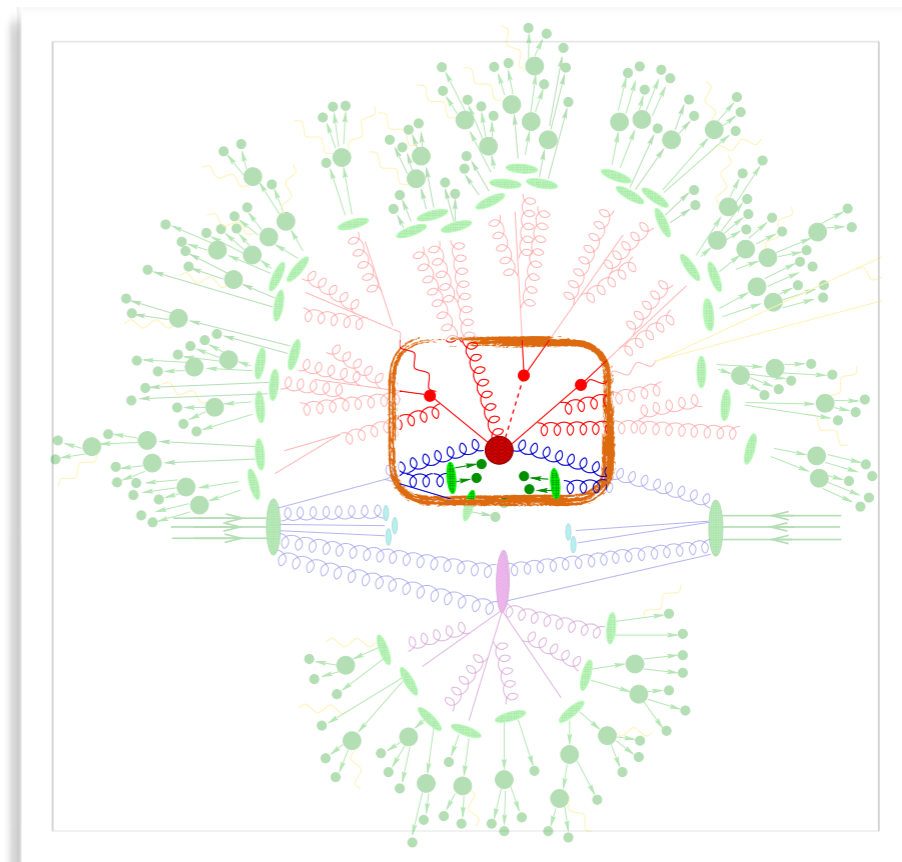
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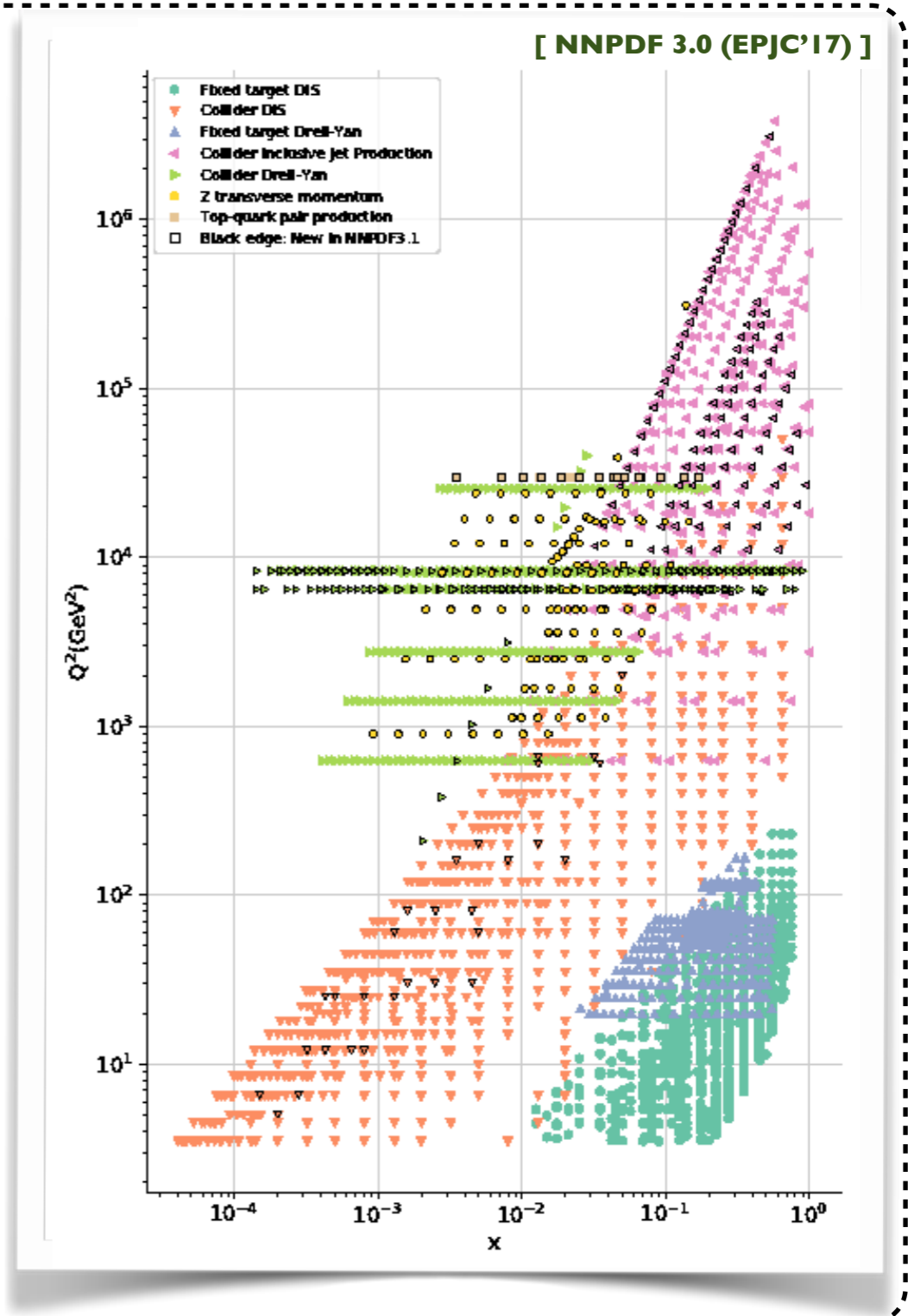
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**Feynman diagrams (from UFOs)**

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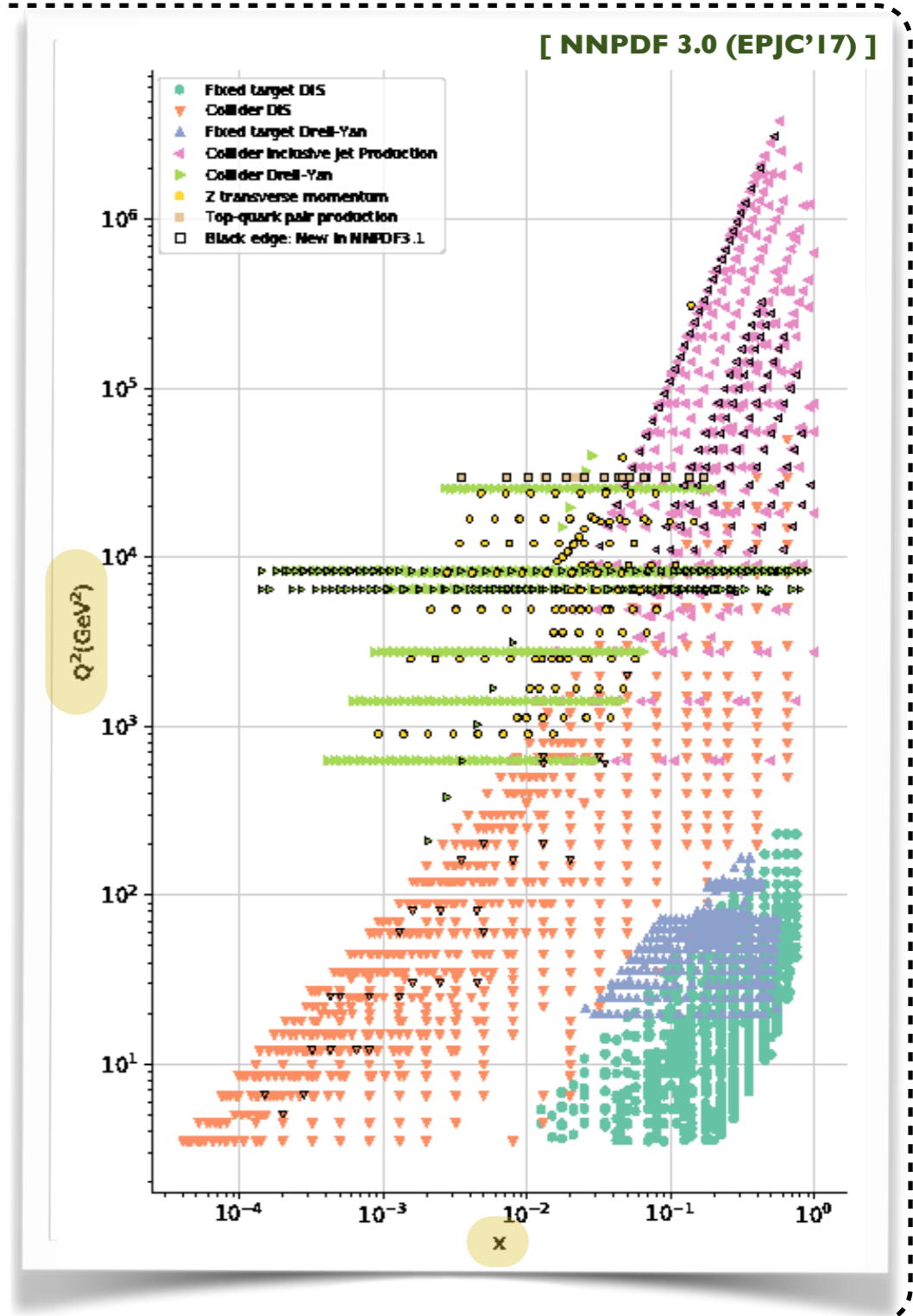
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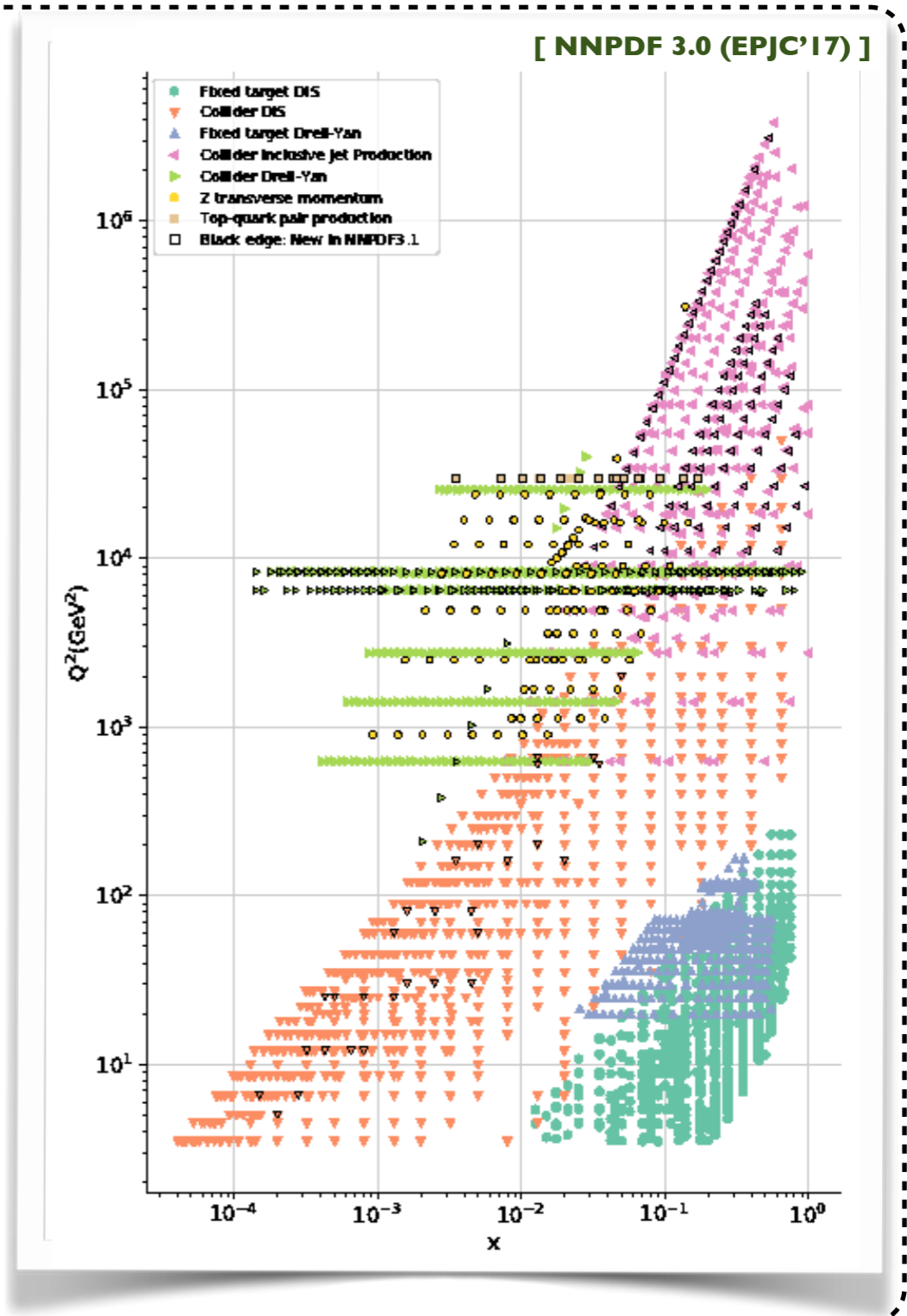
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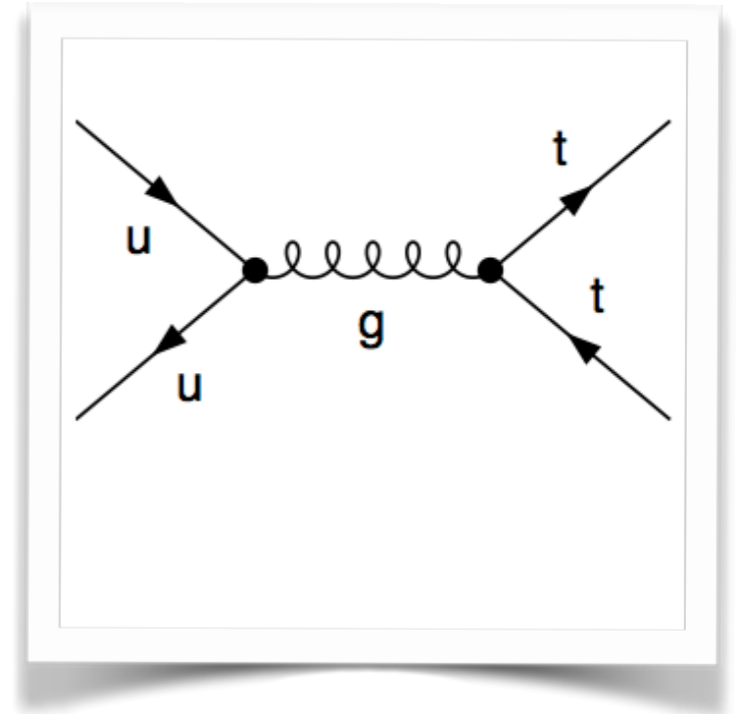


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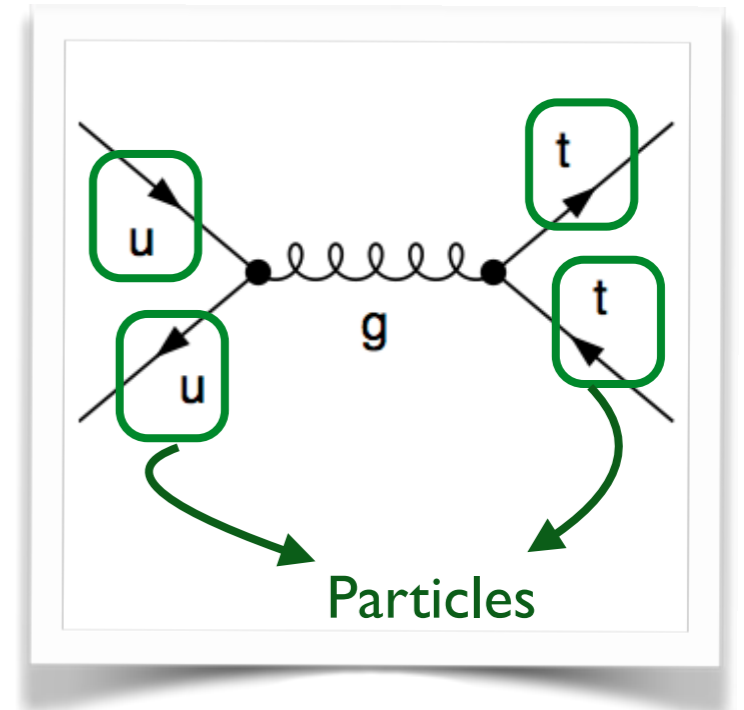


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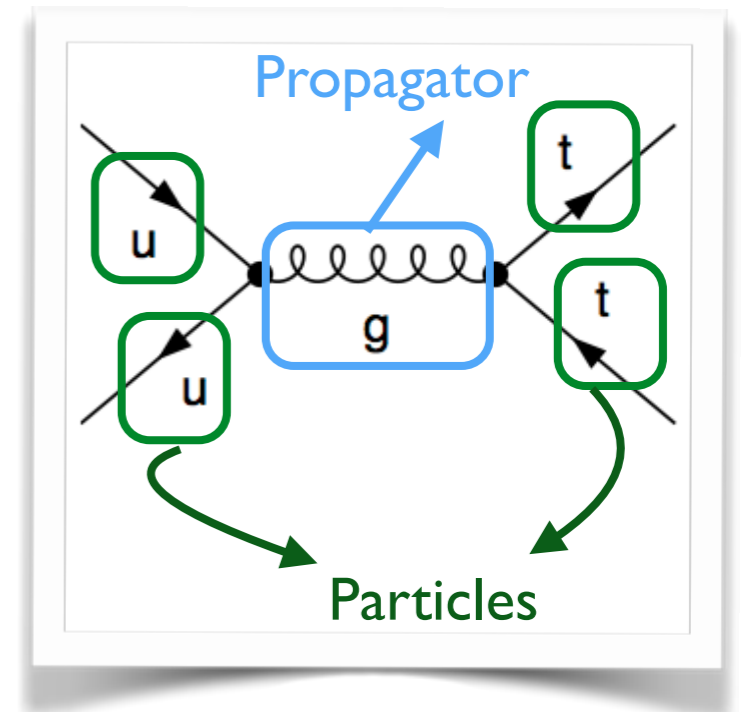


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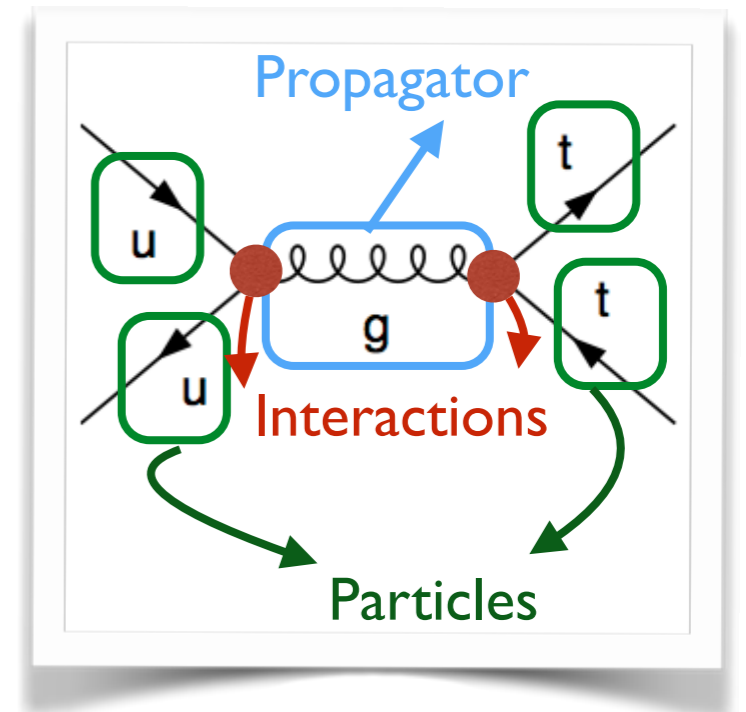


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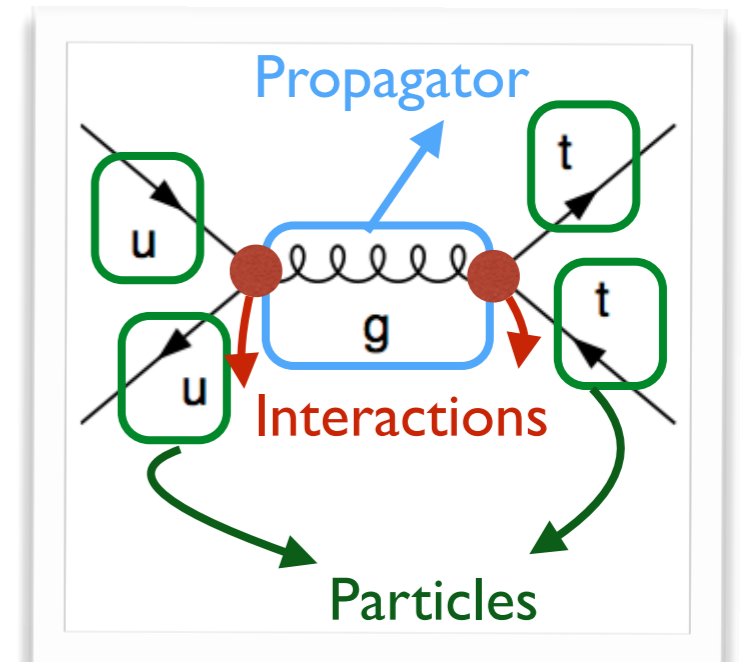
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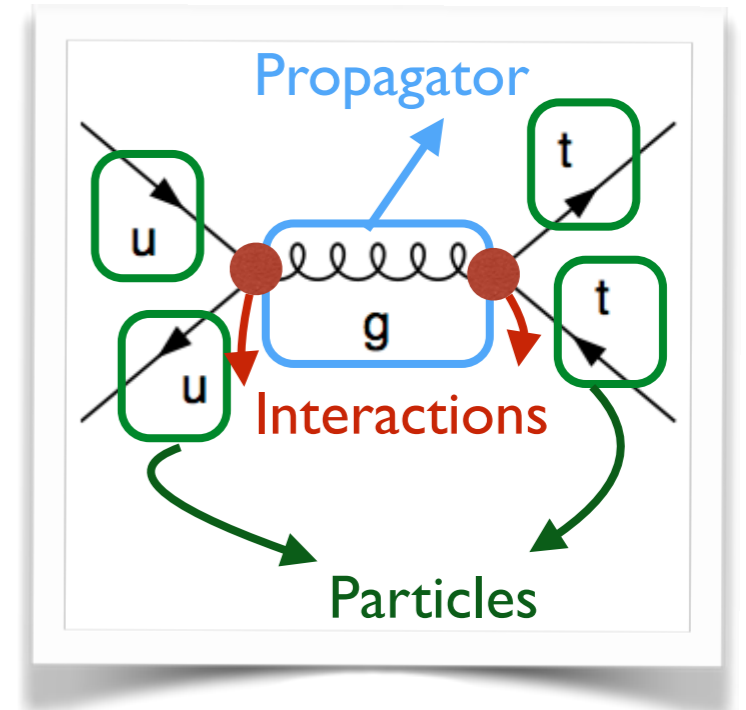
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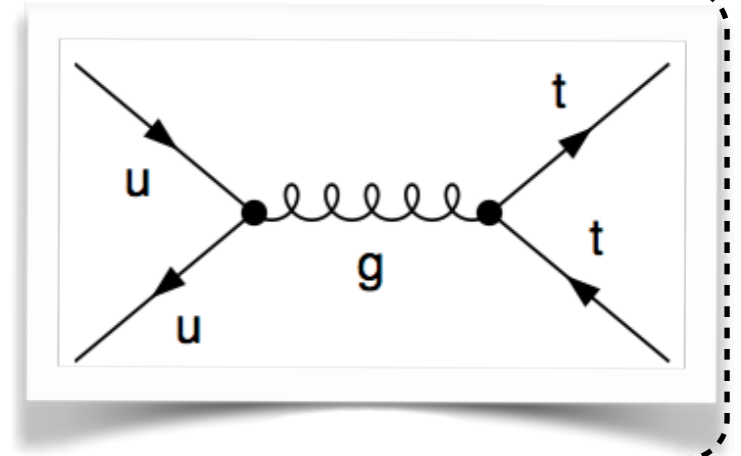
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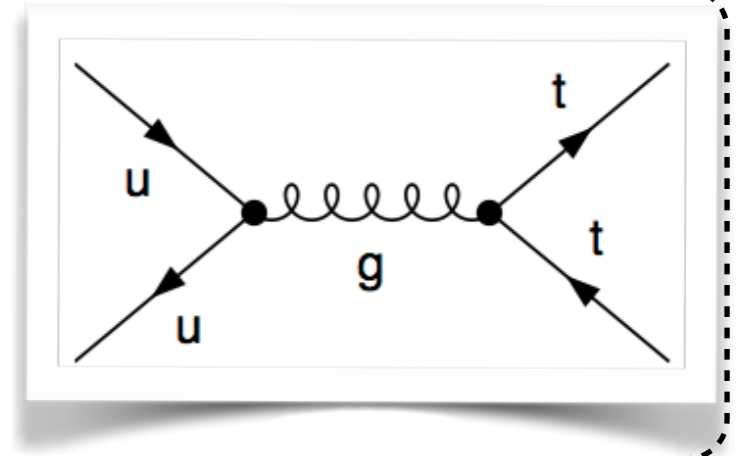
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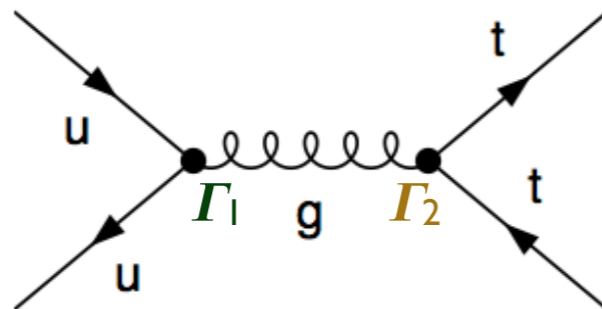
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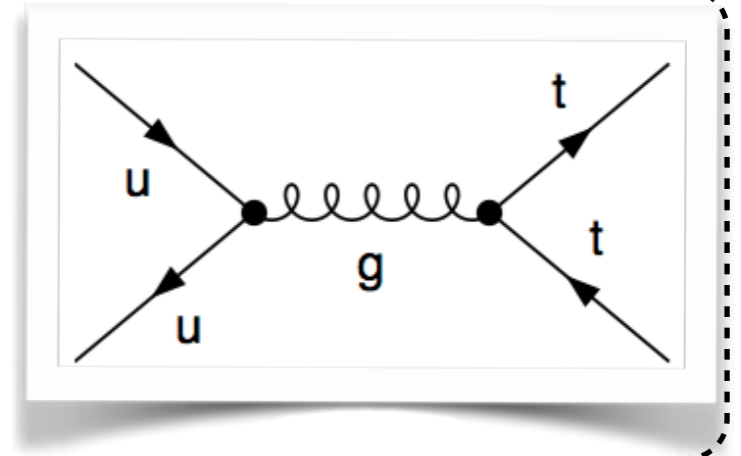




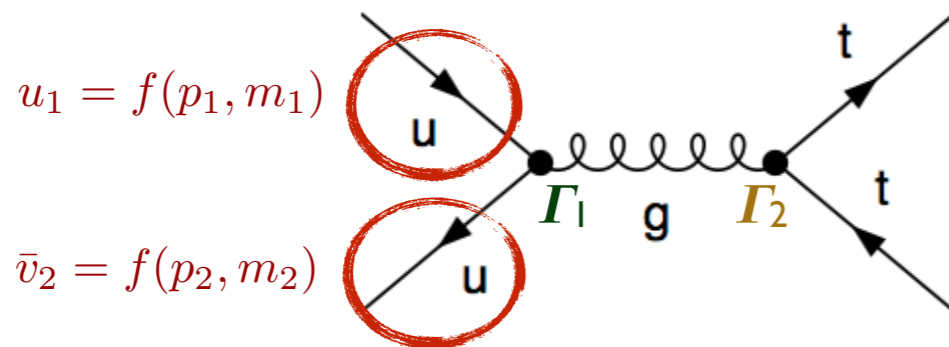
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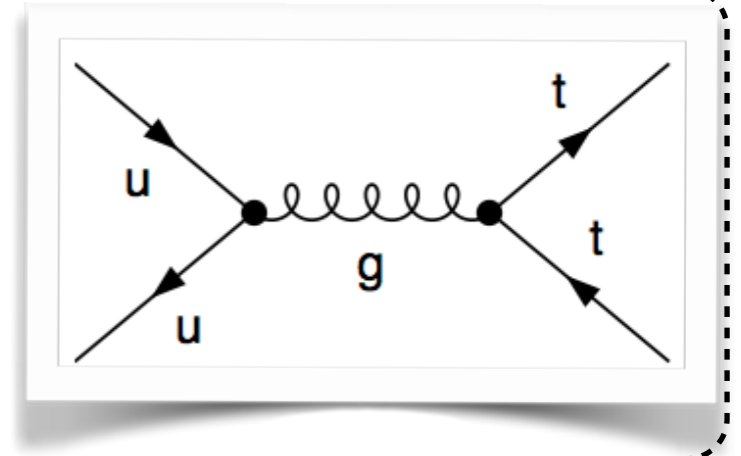
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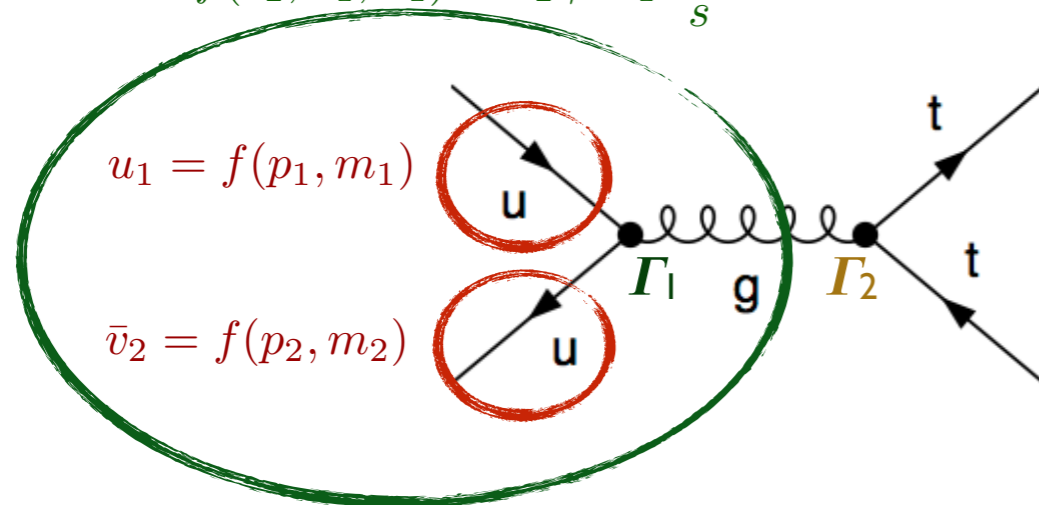
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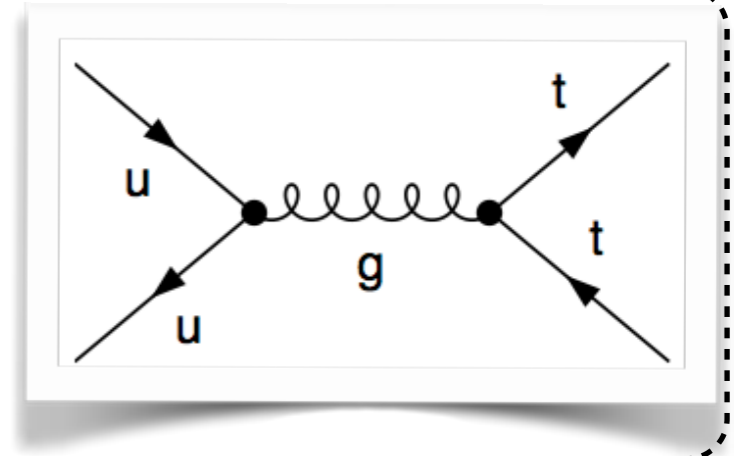


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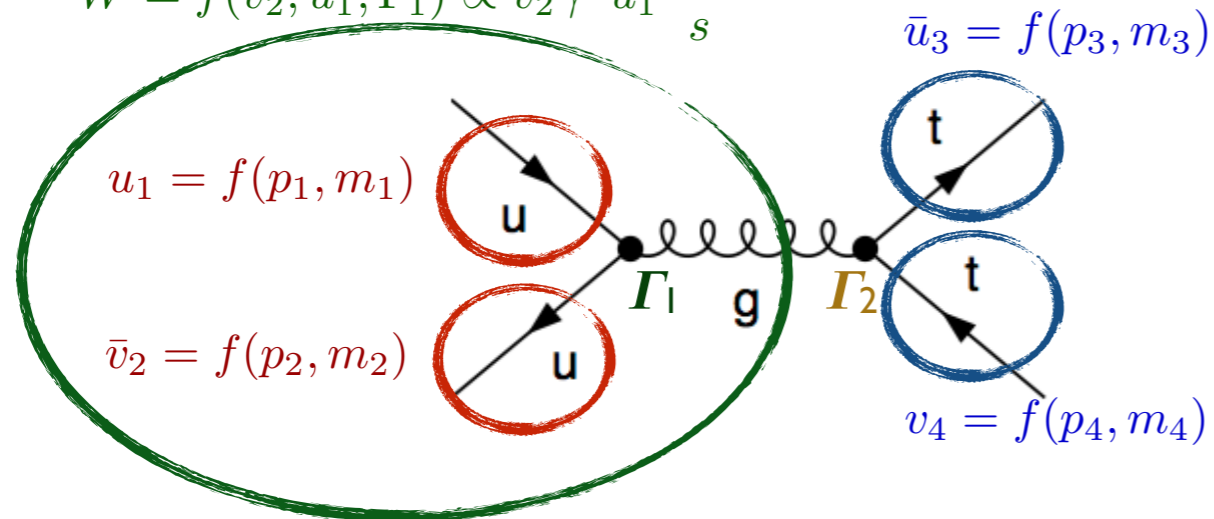
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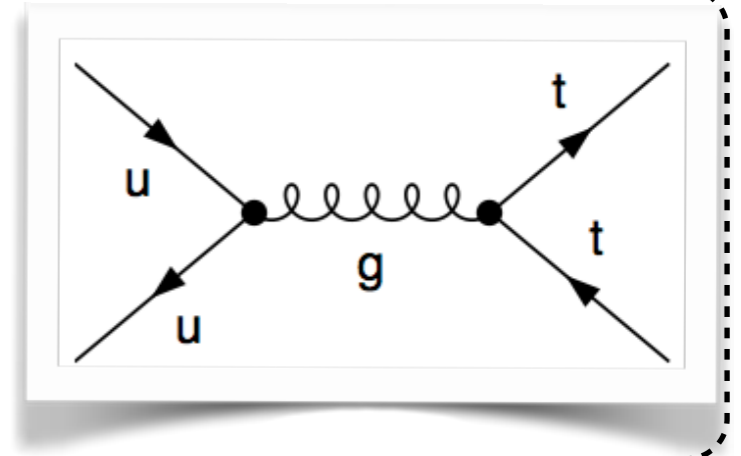


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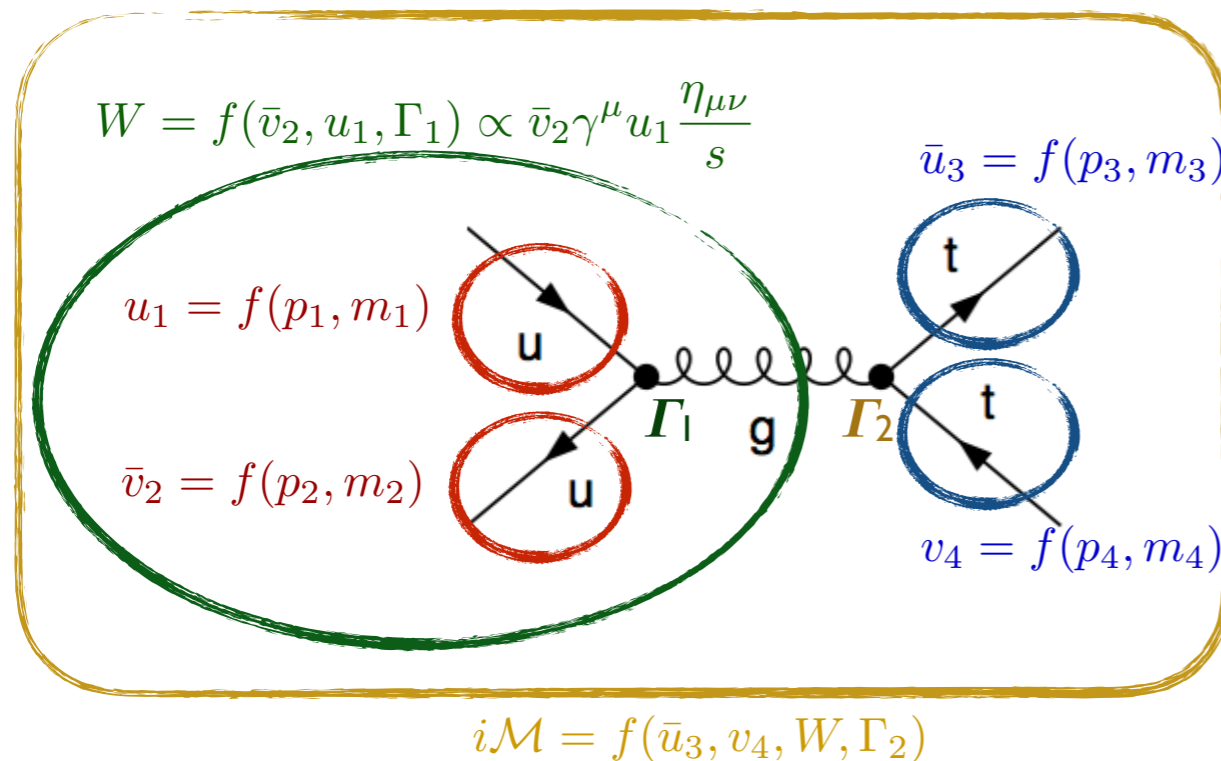
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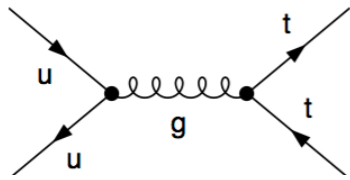
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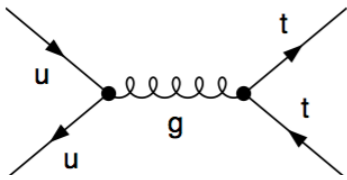
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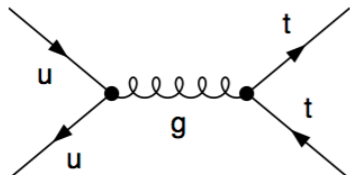
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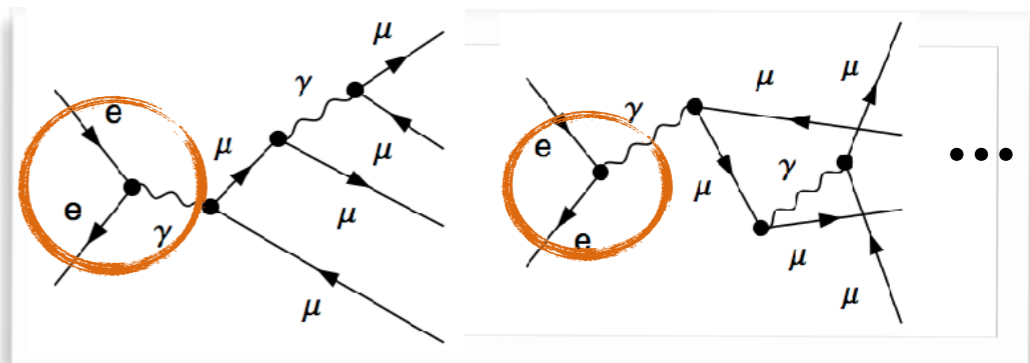
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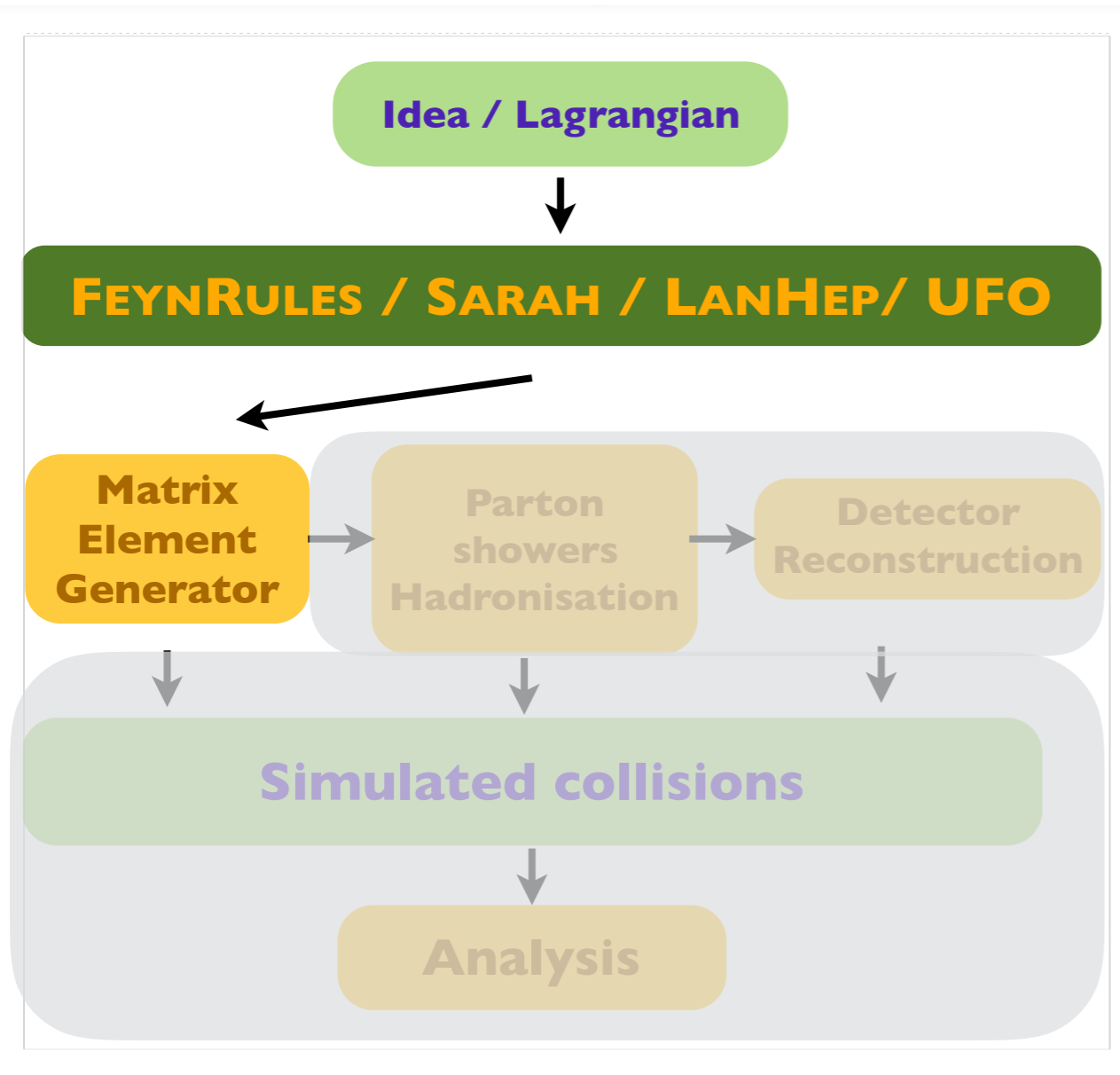


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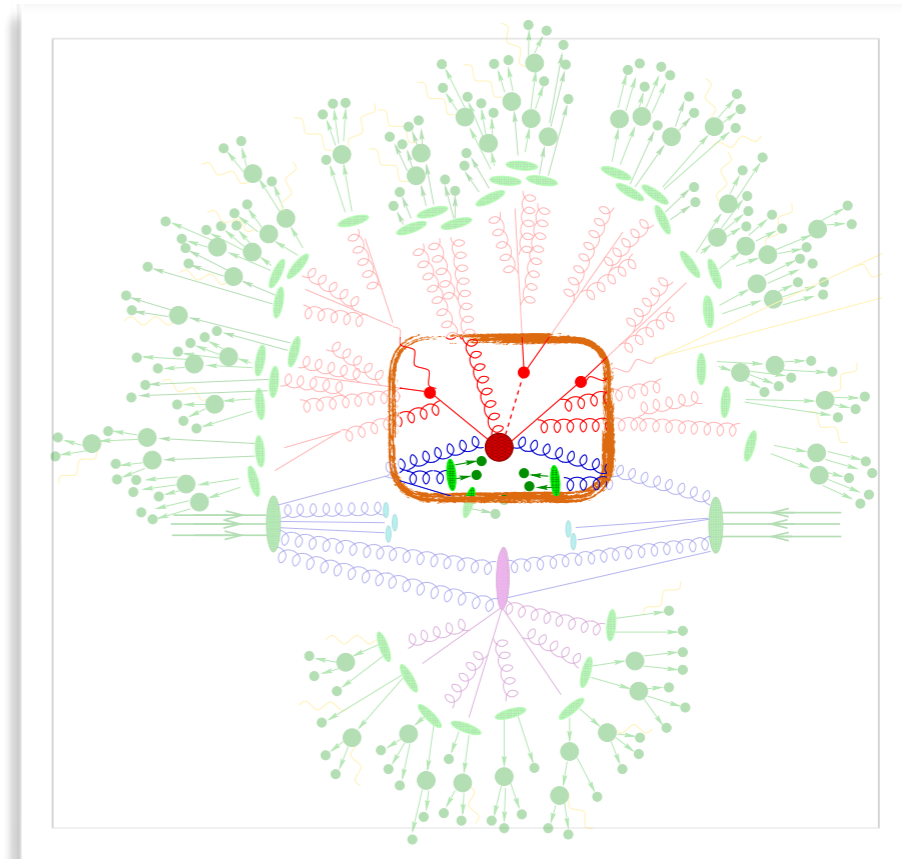
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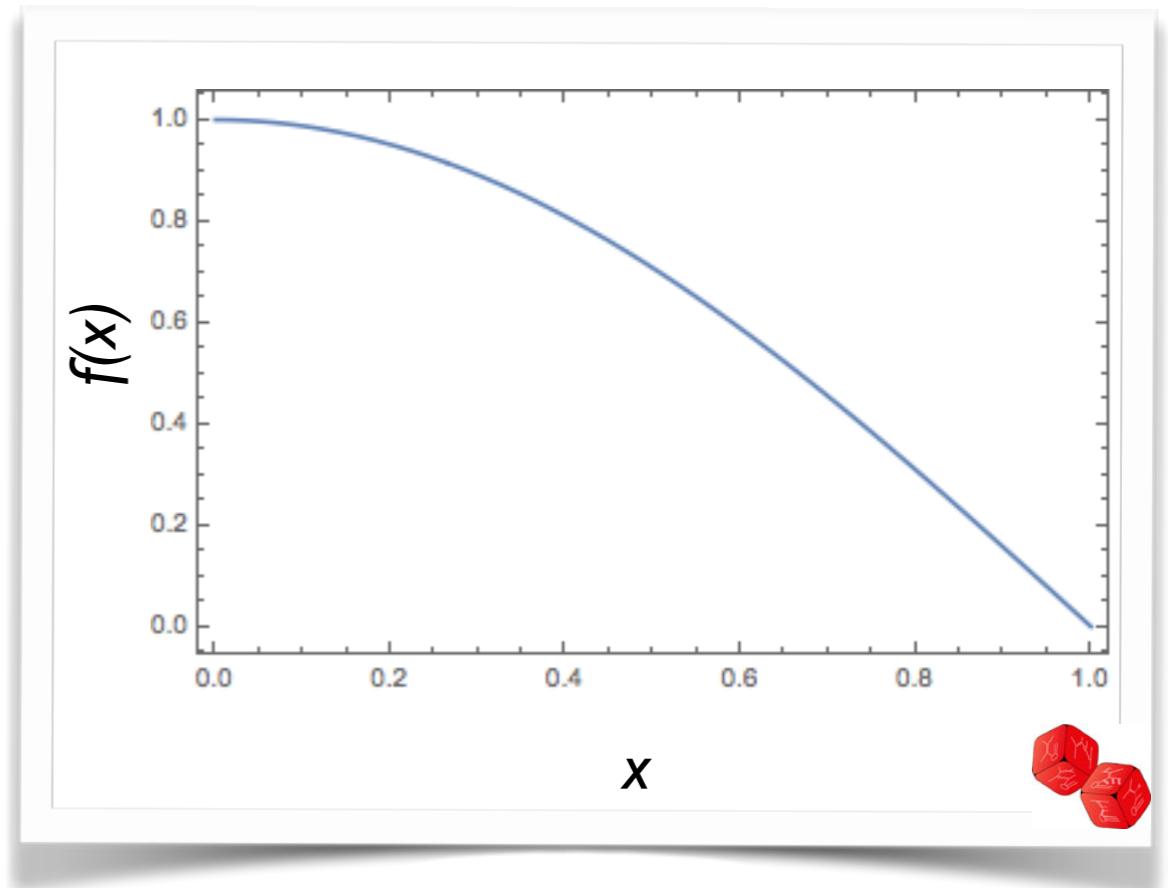
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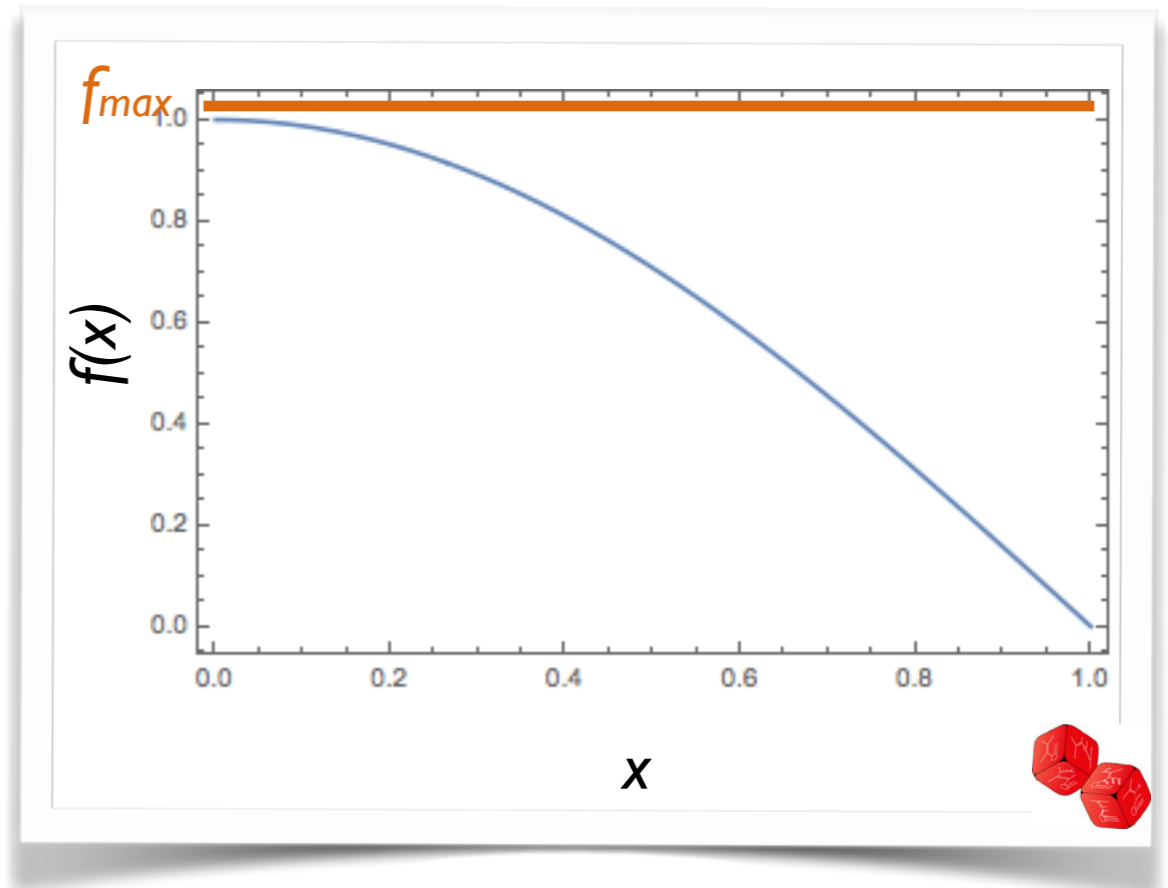


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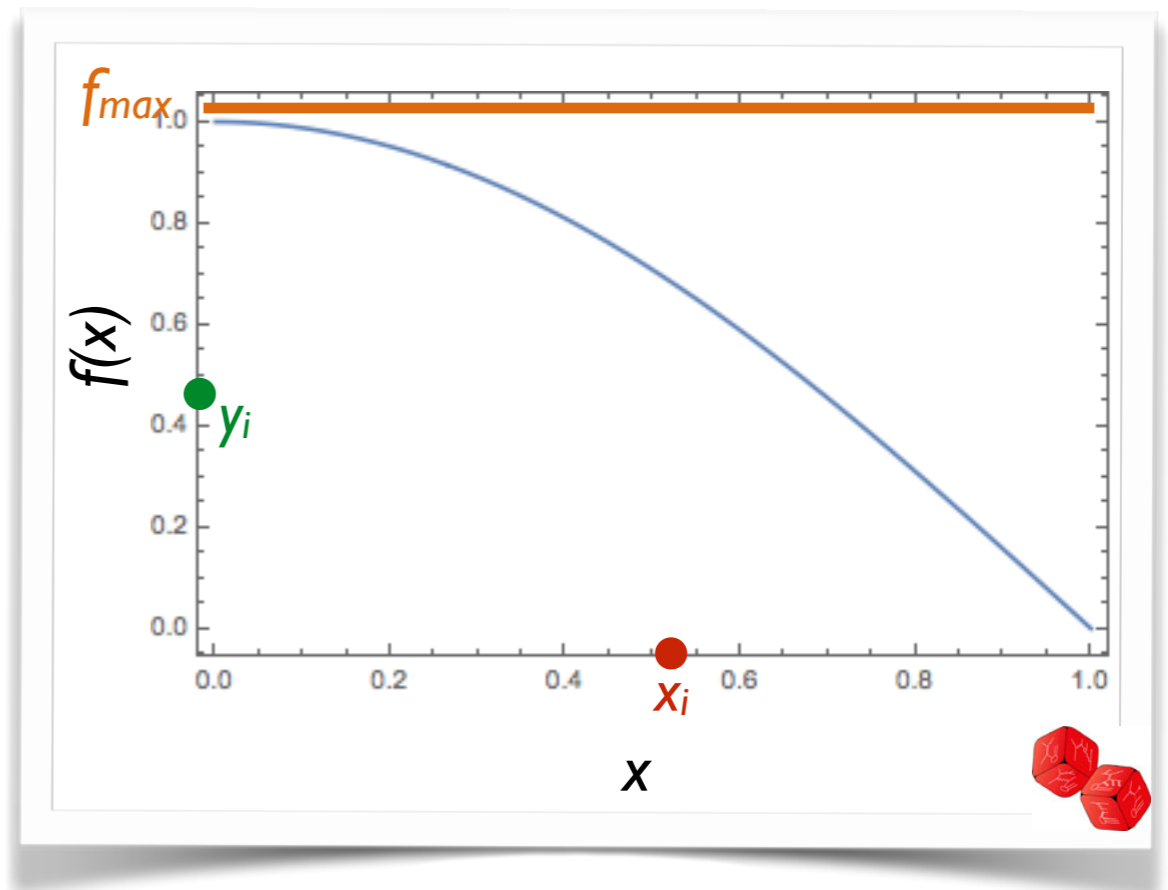


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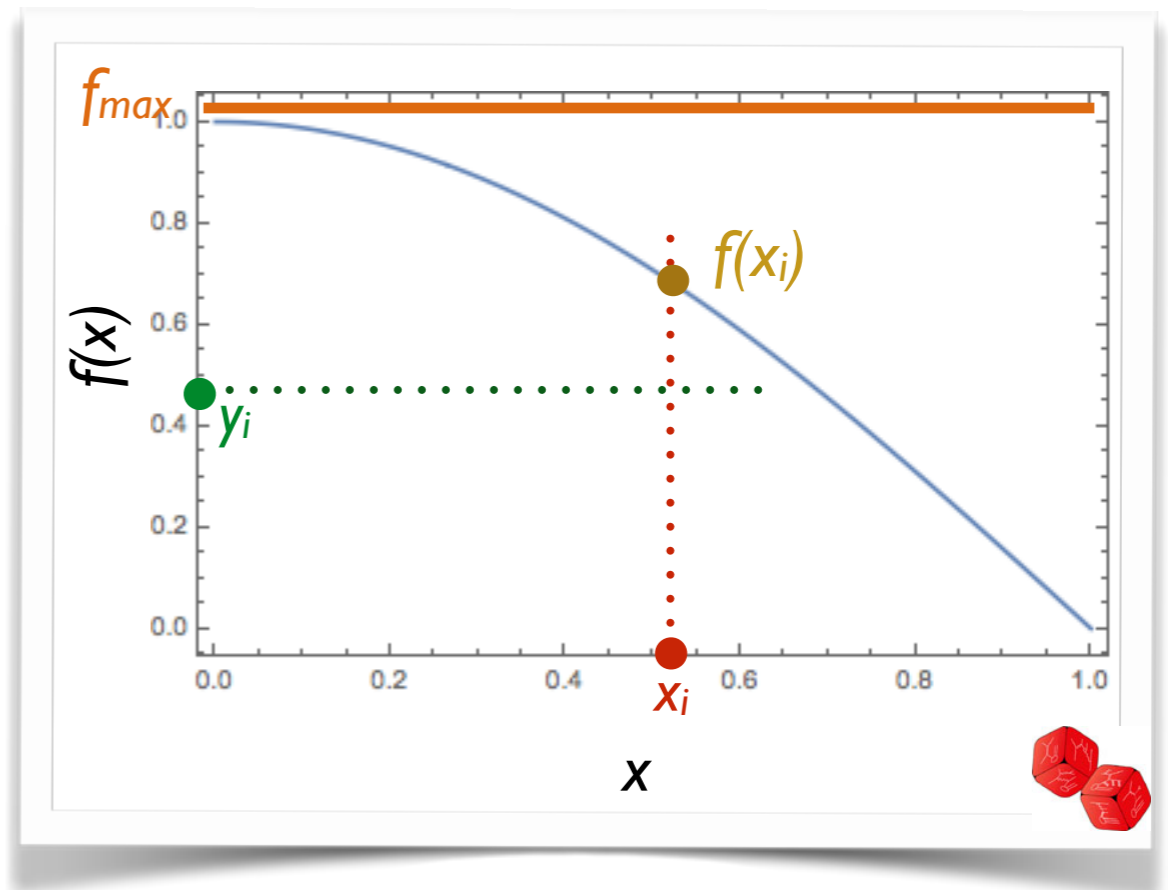


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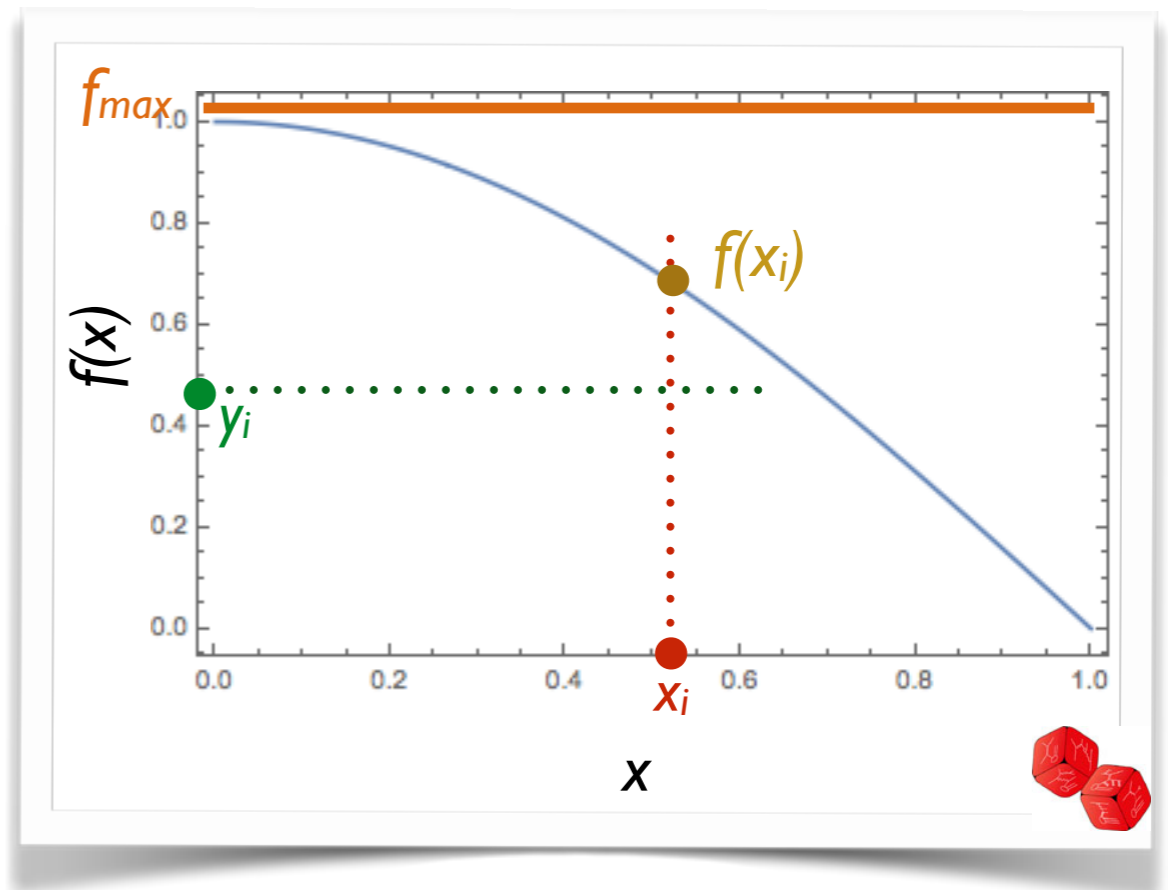
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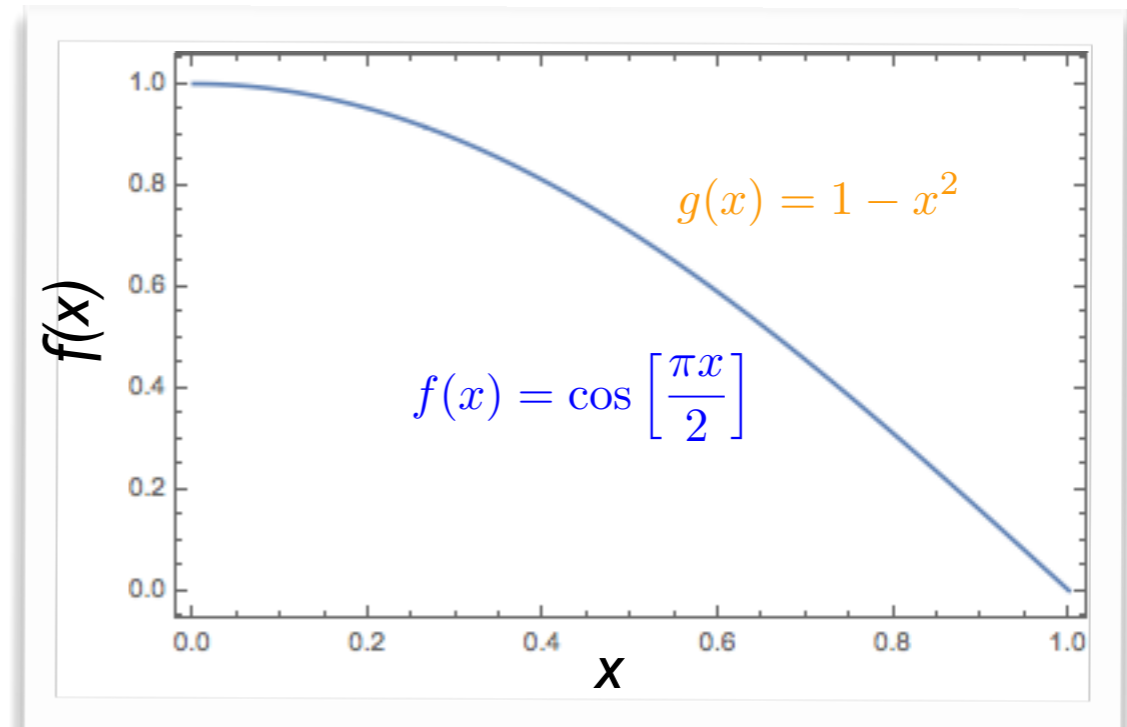
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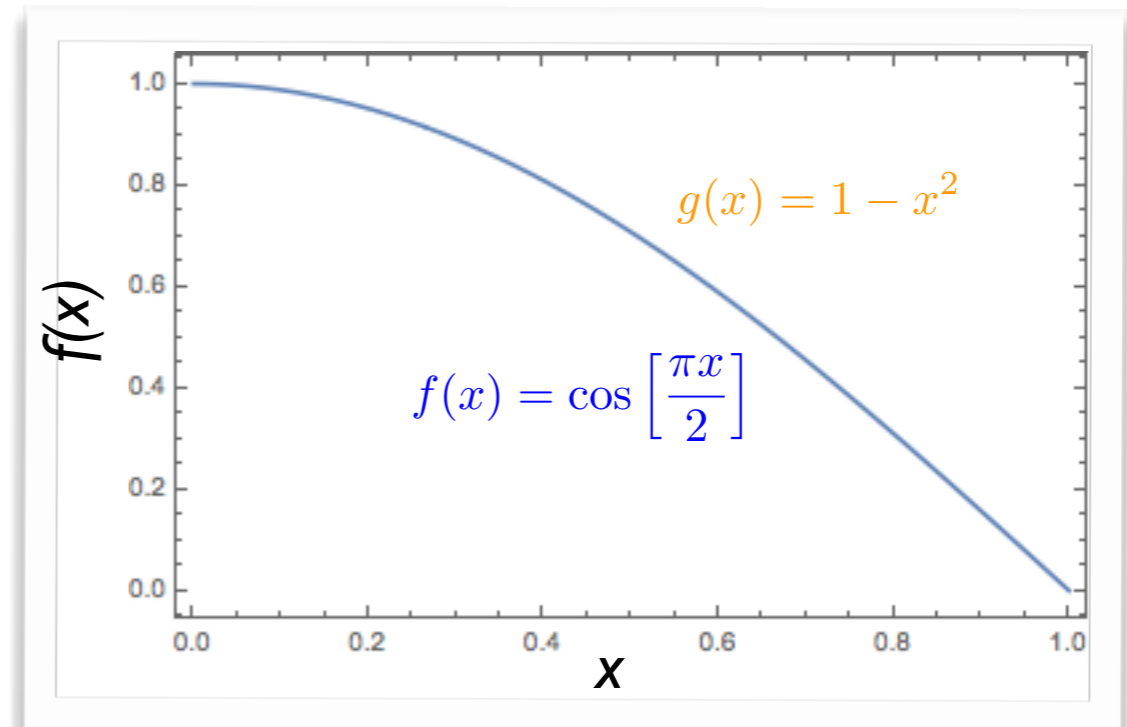
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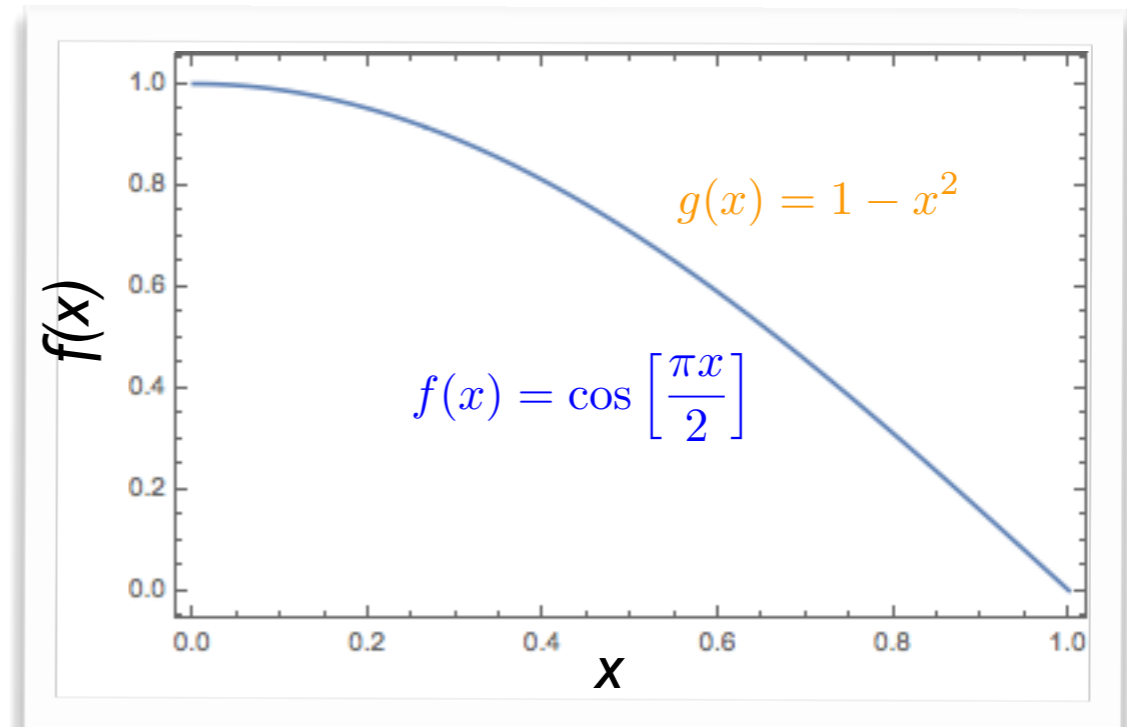
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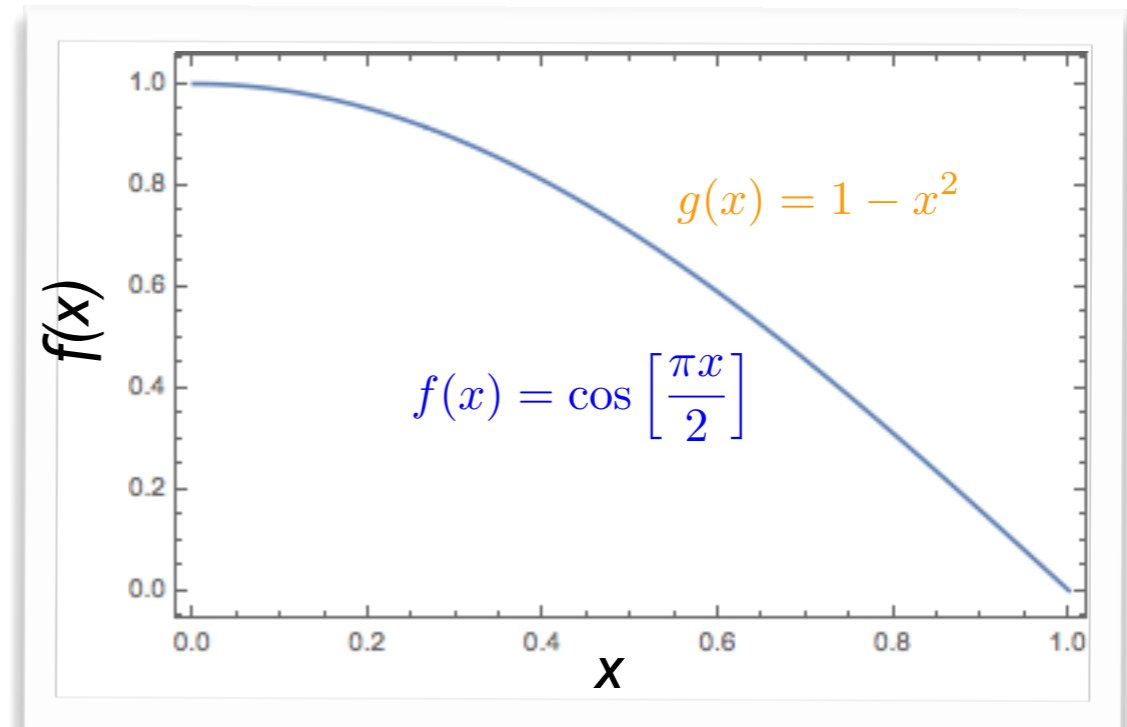
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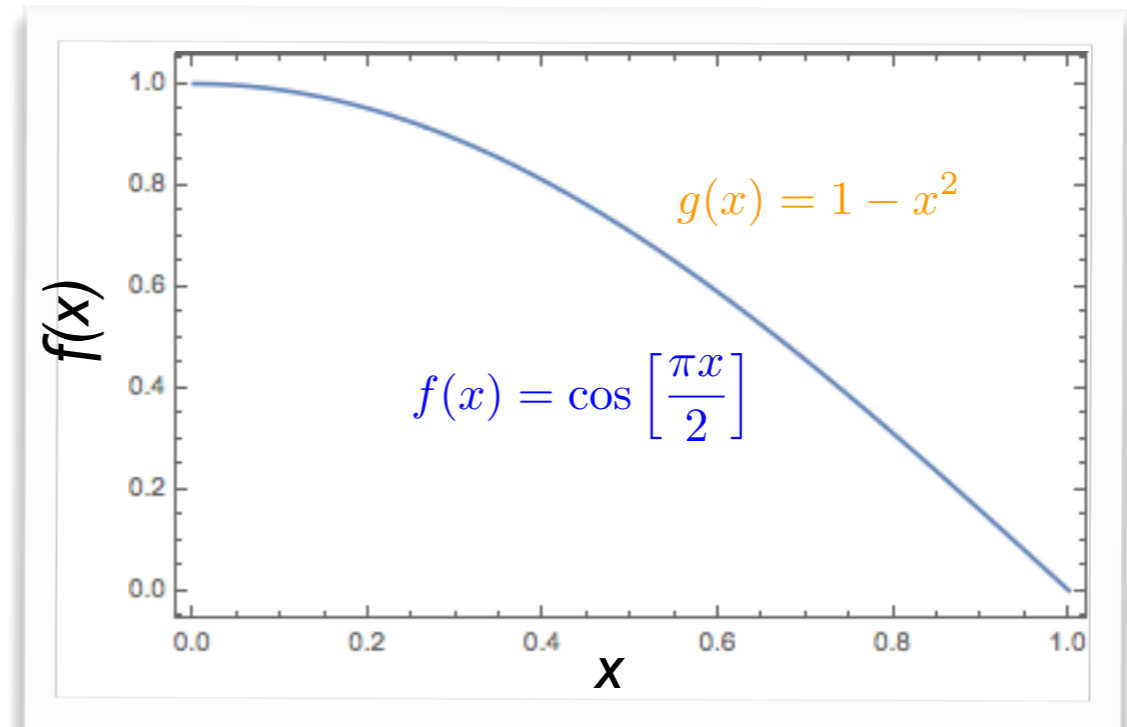
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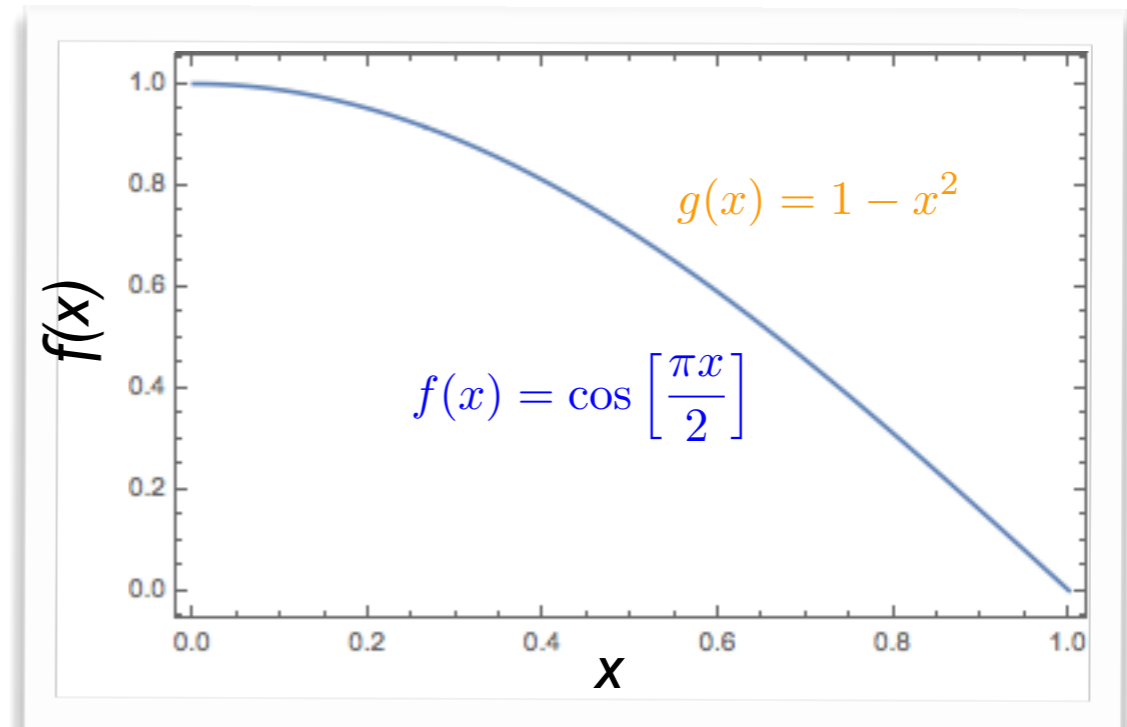
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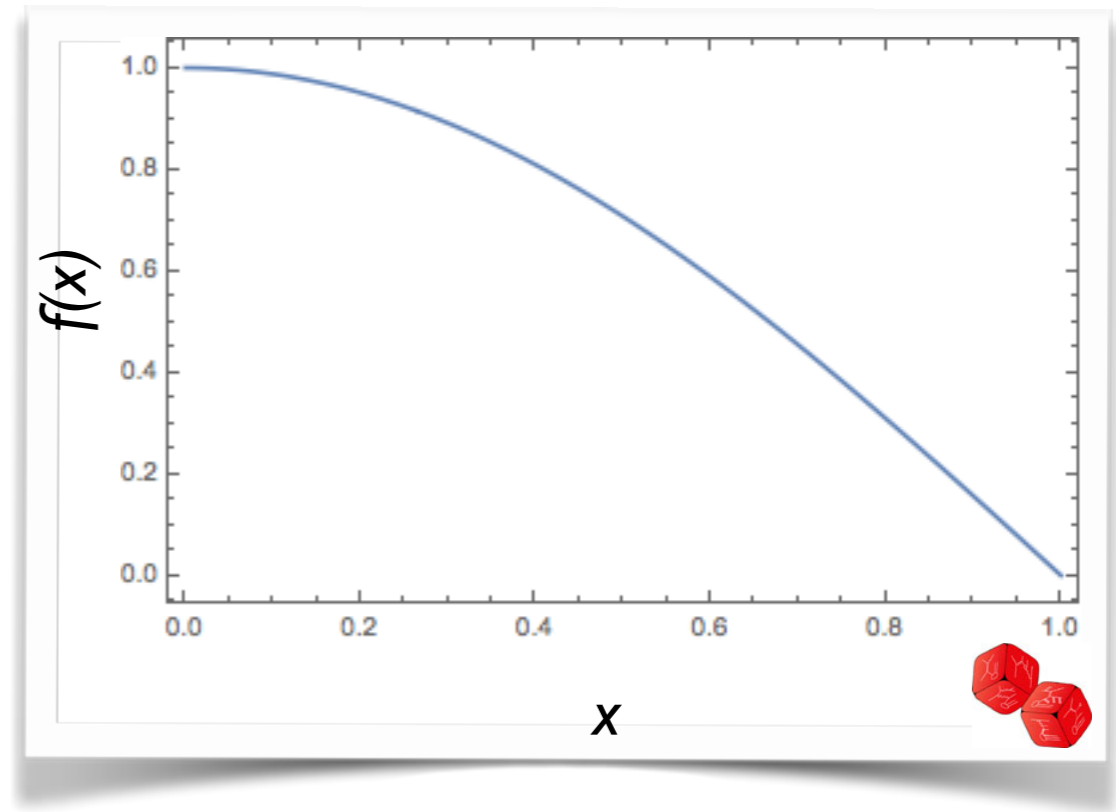
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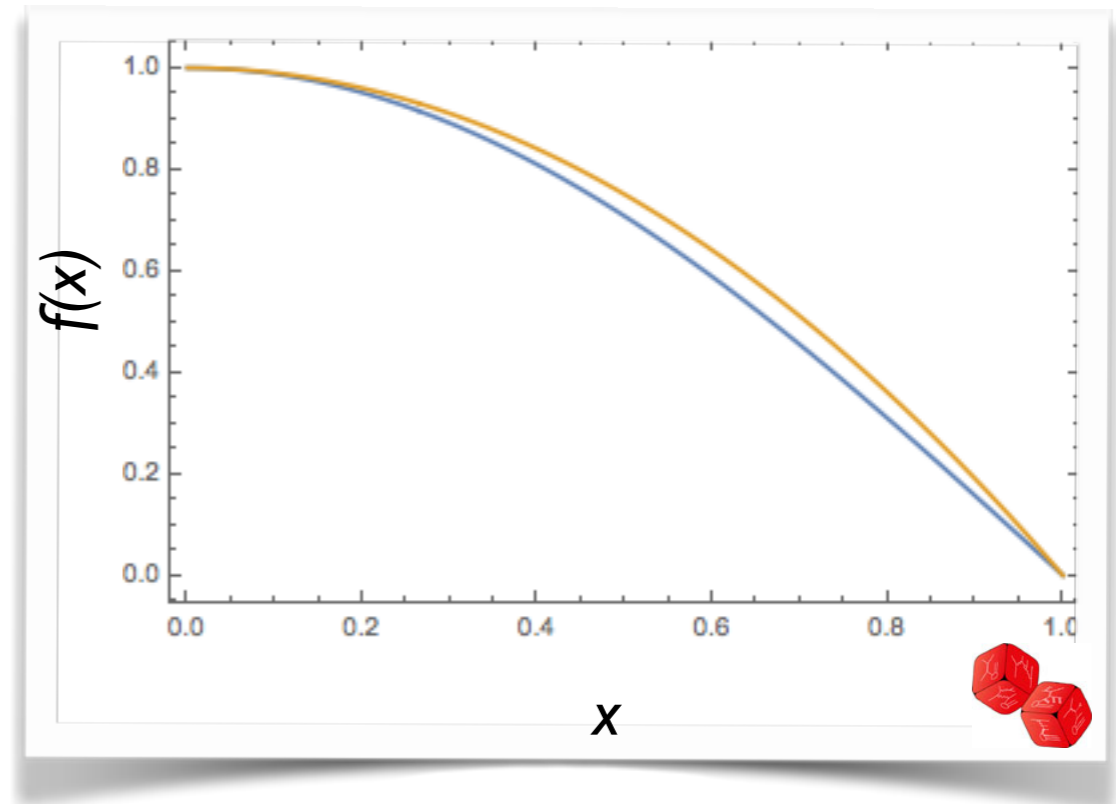


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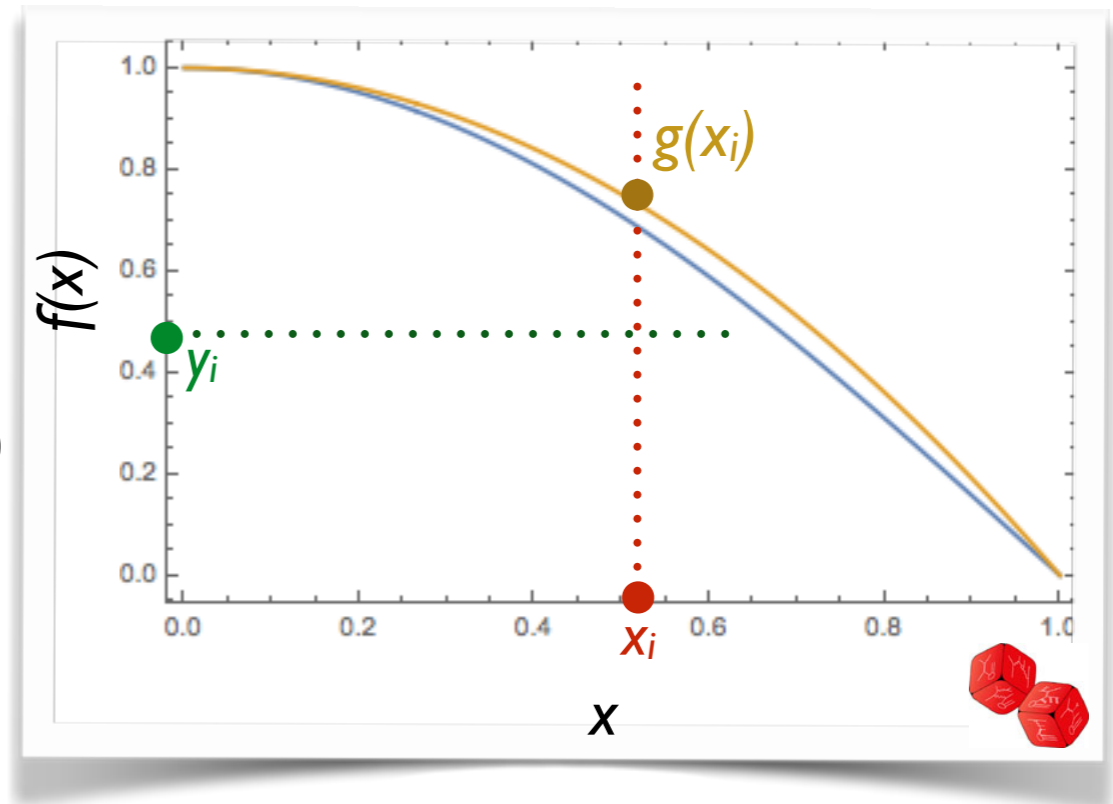


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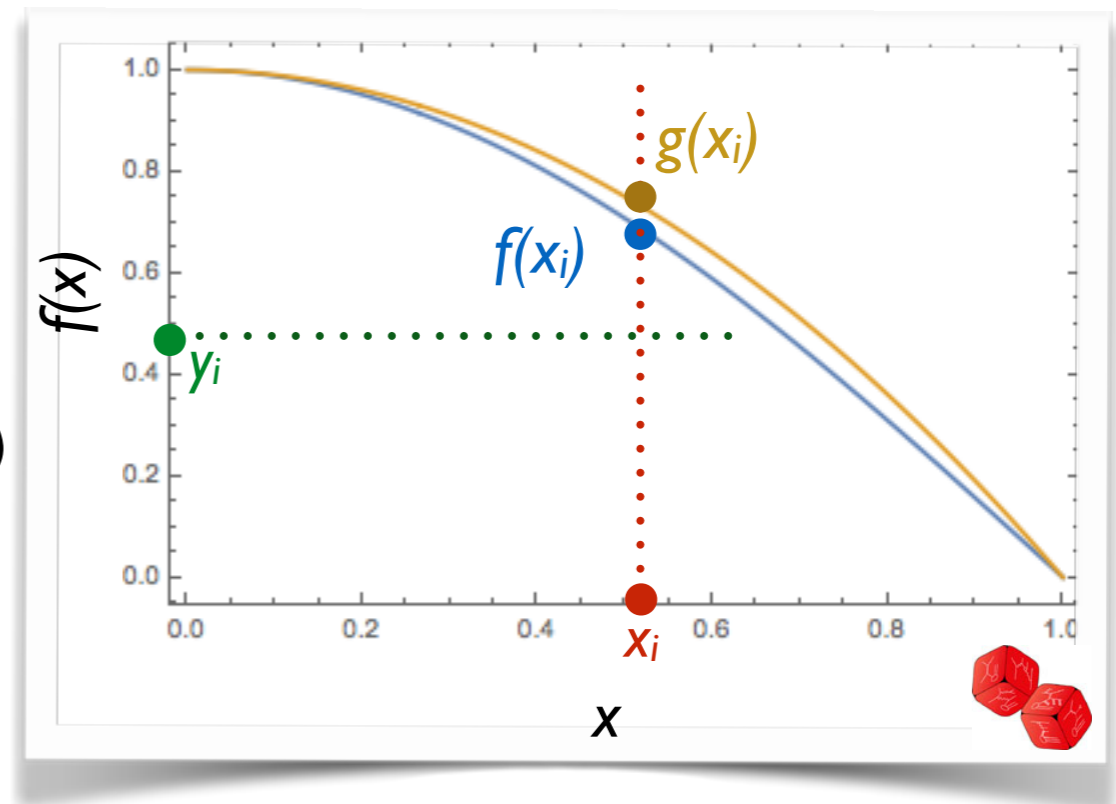


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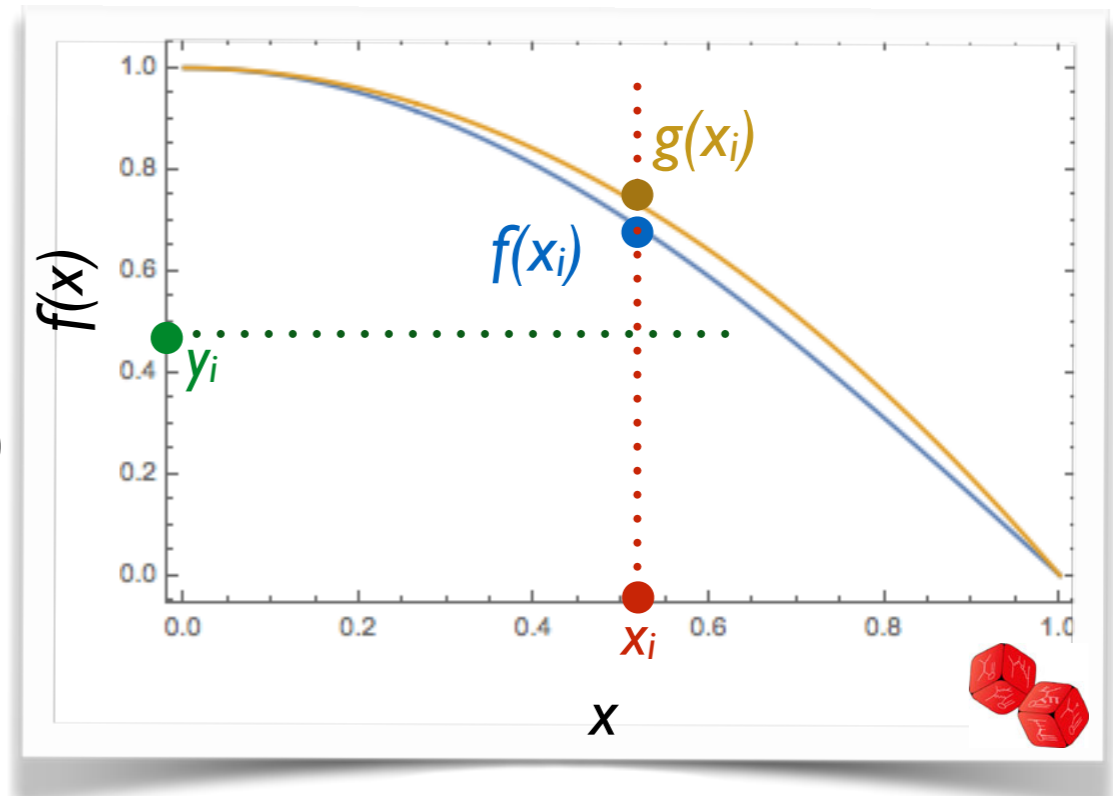
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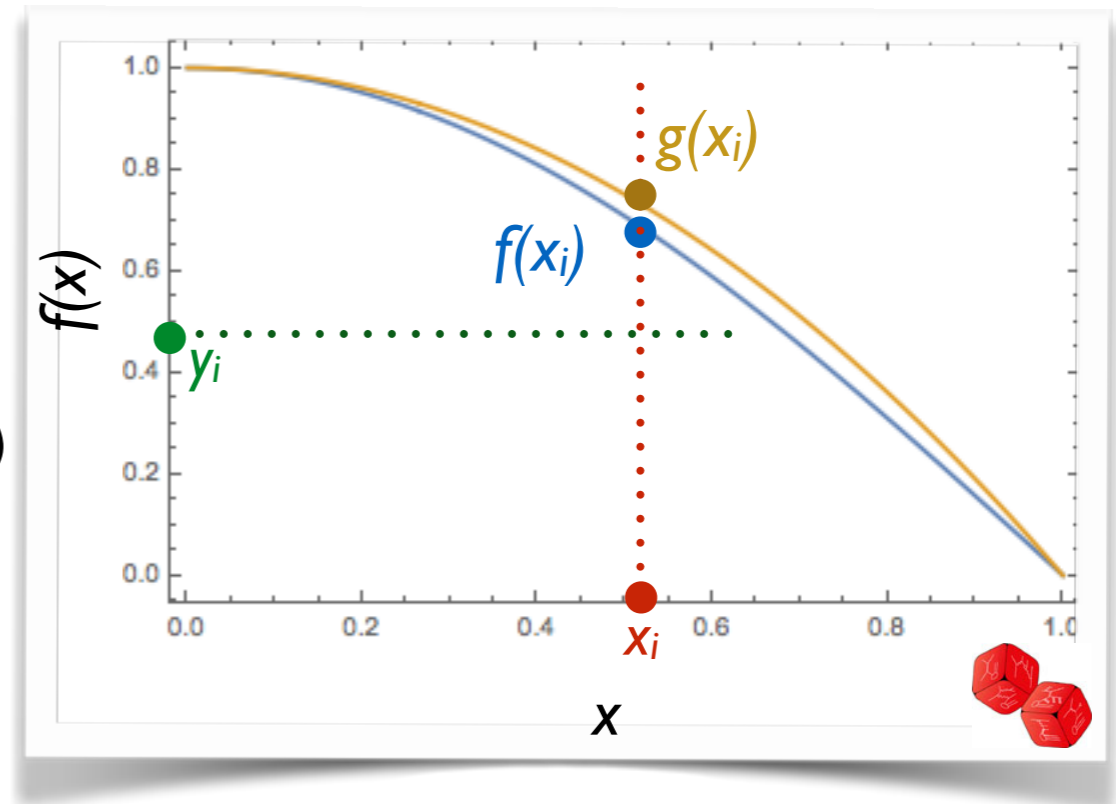
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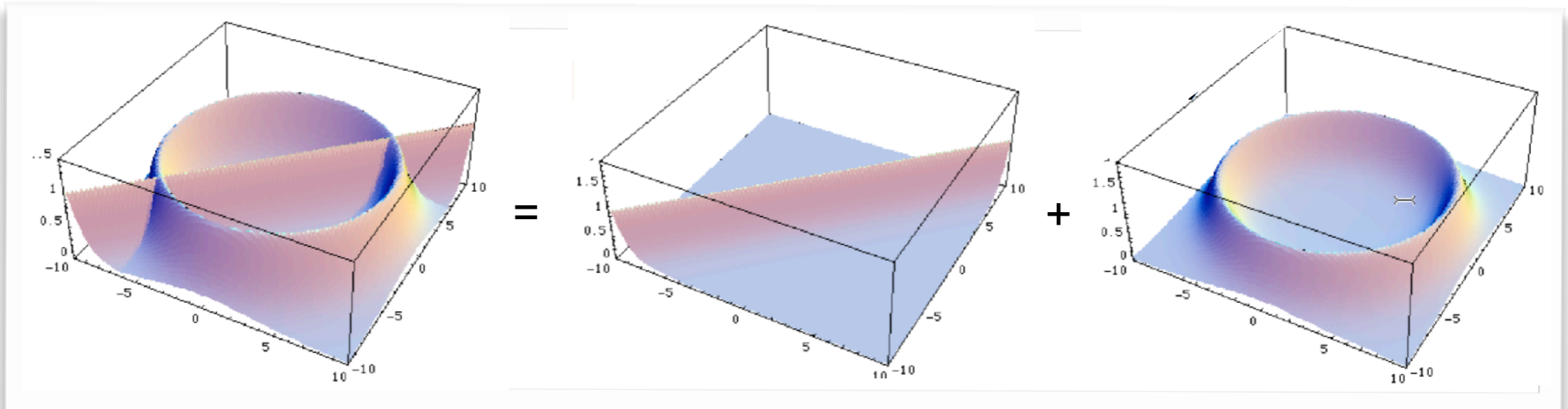
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  - ★ This binned function provides an approximation of the integrand  $g(x)$

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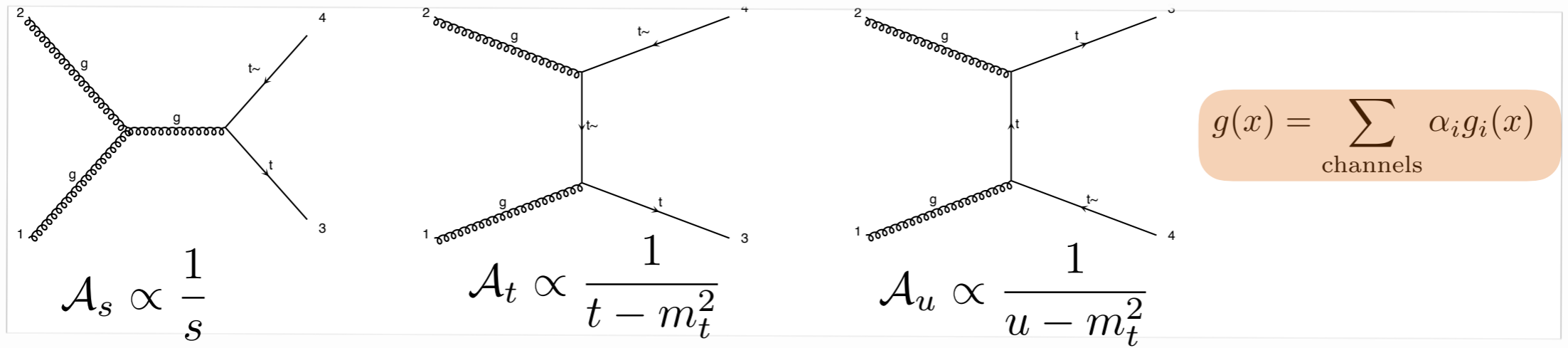
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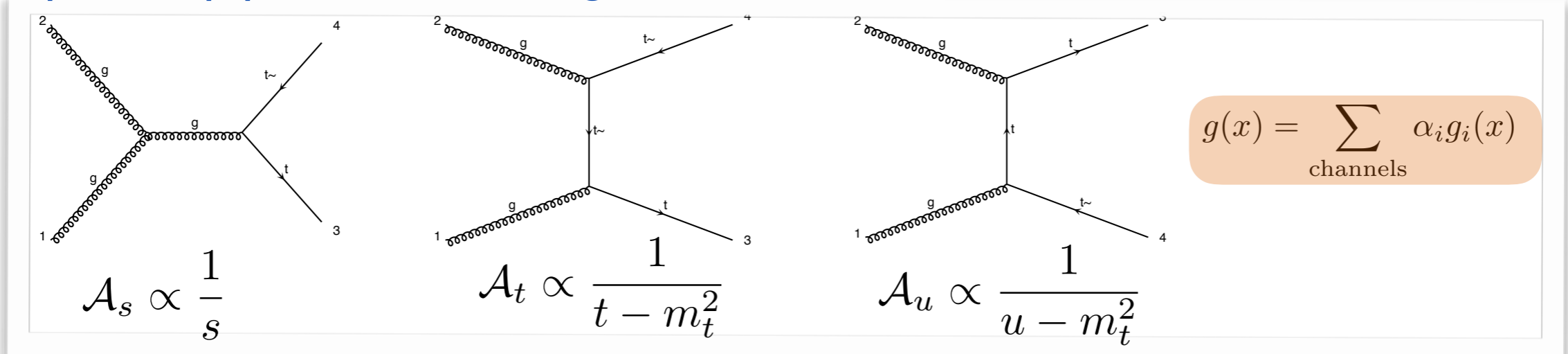
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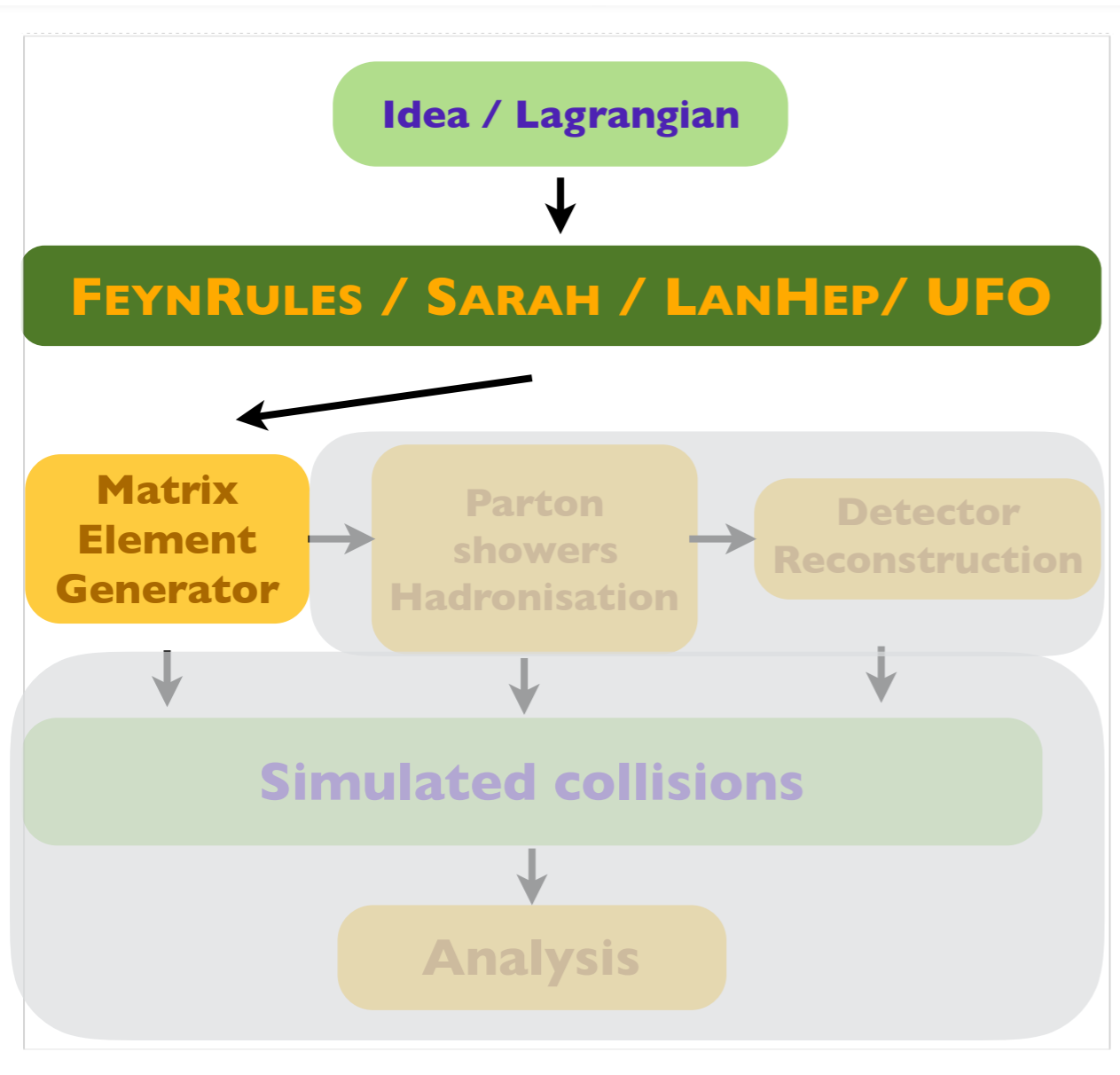
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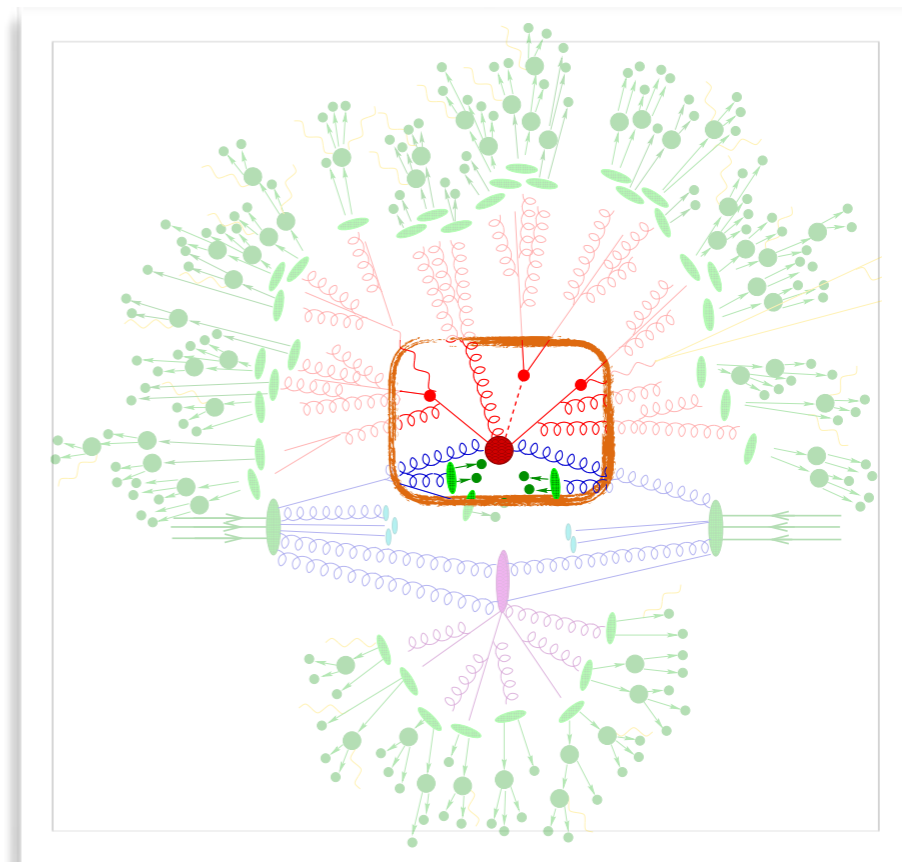
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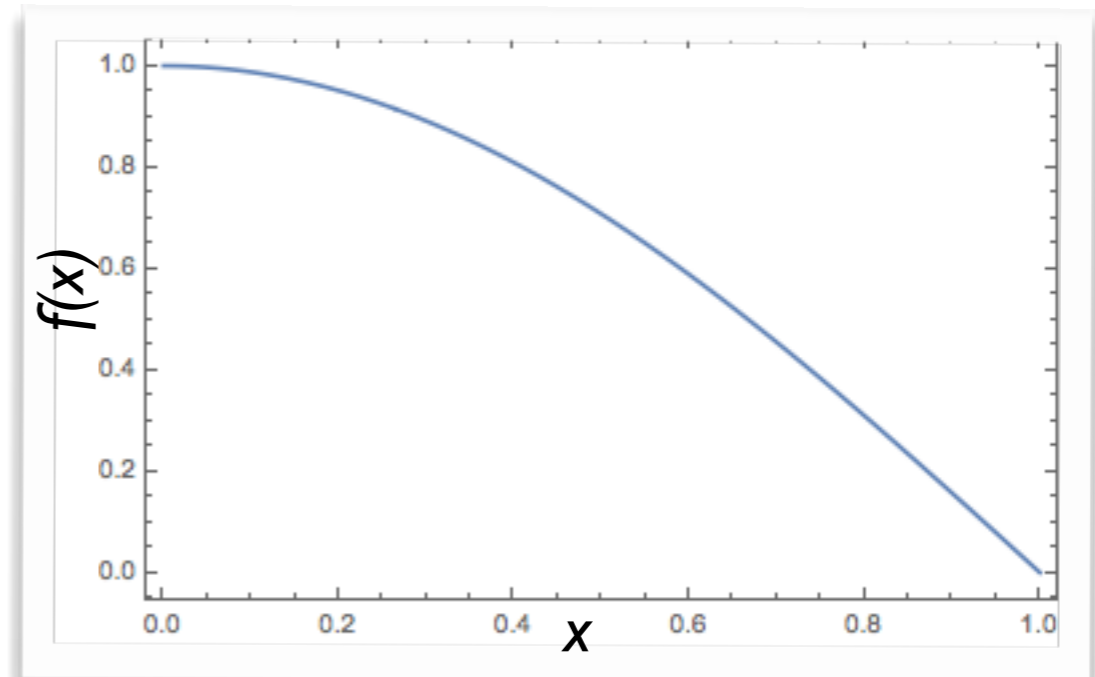
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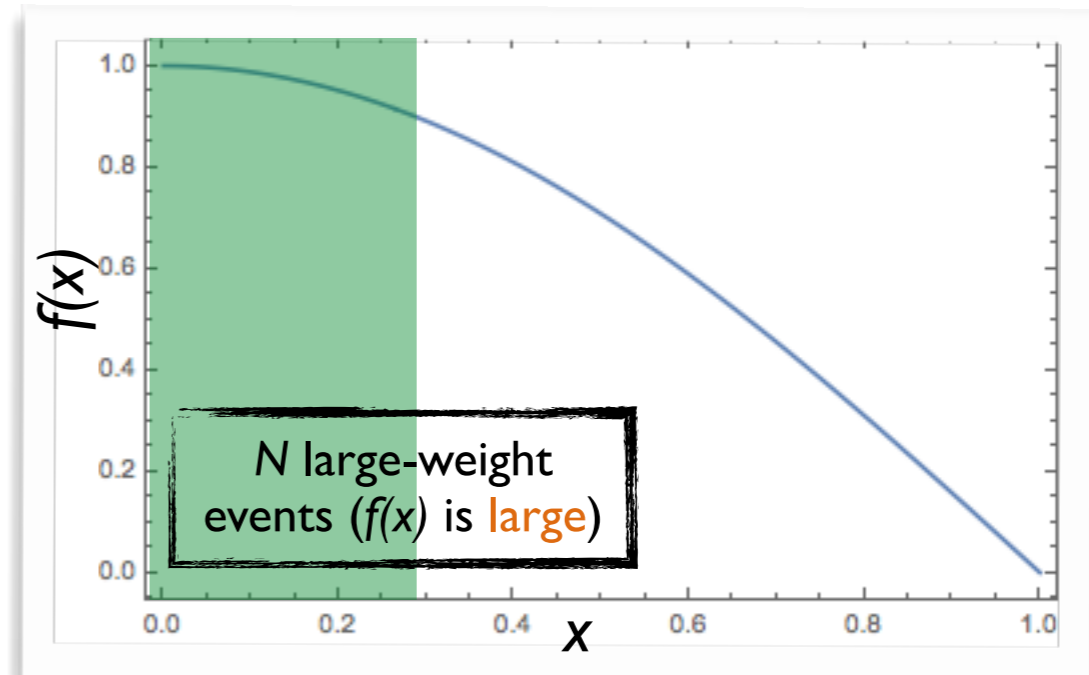


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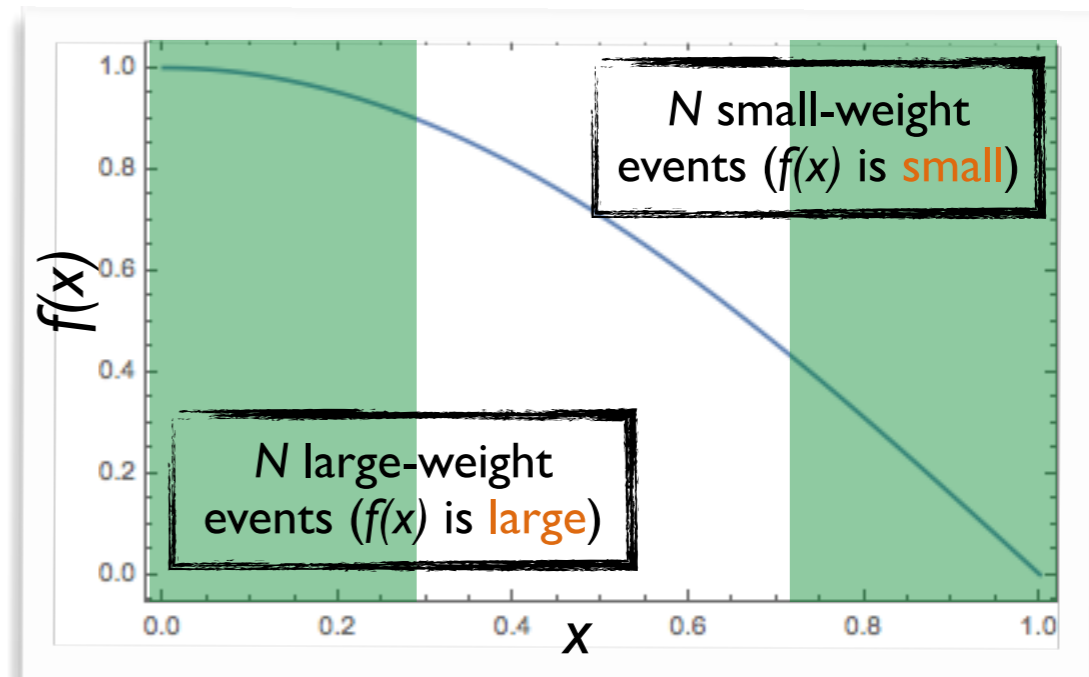


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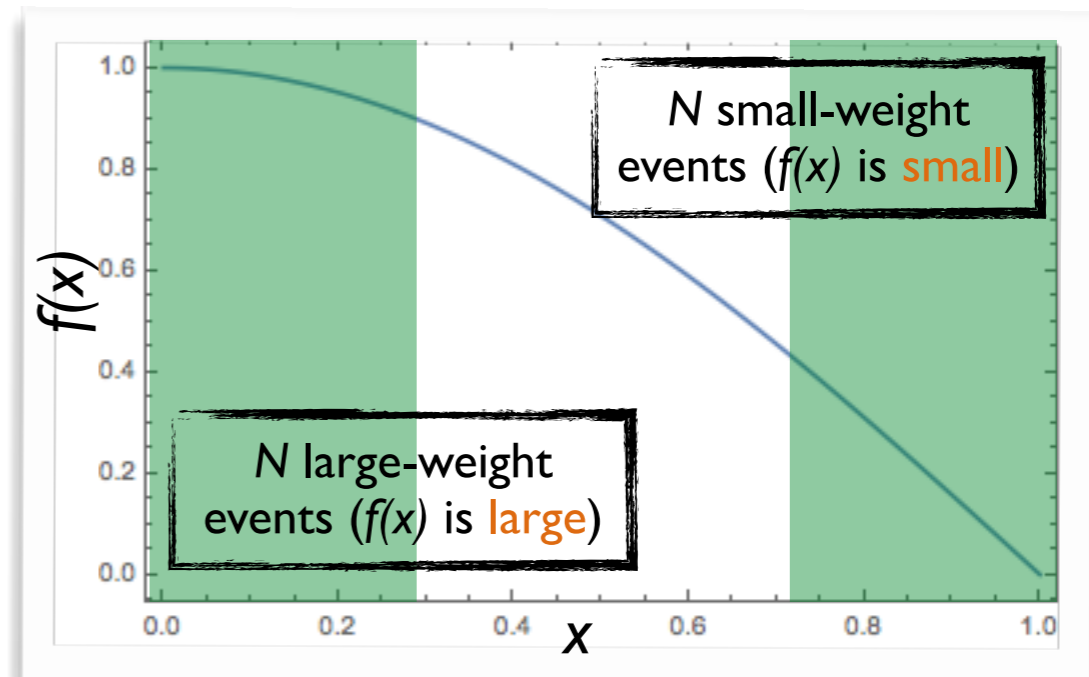


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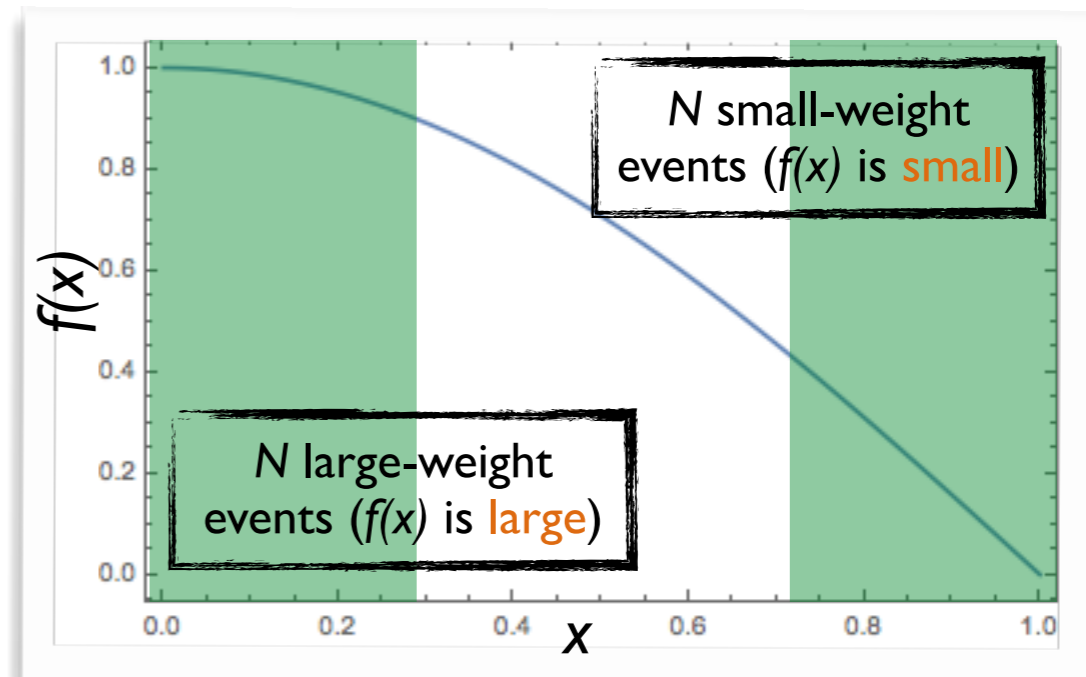


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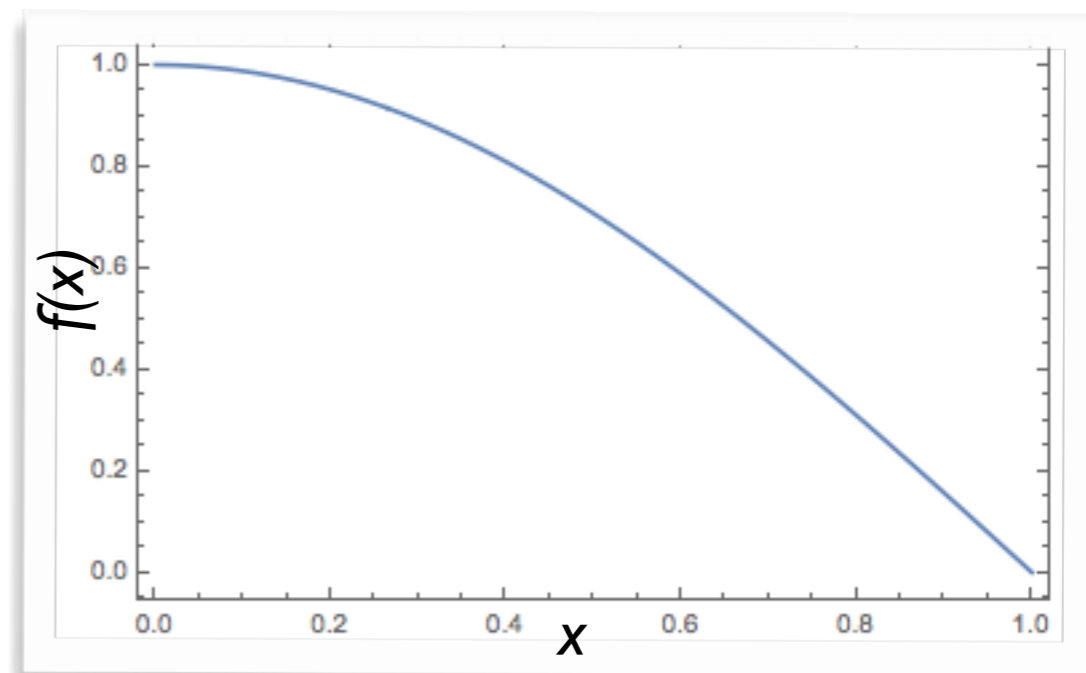
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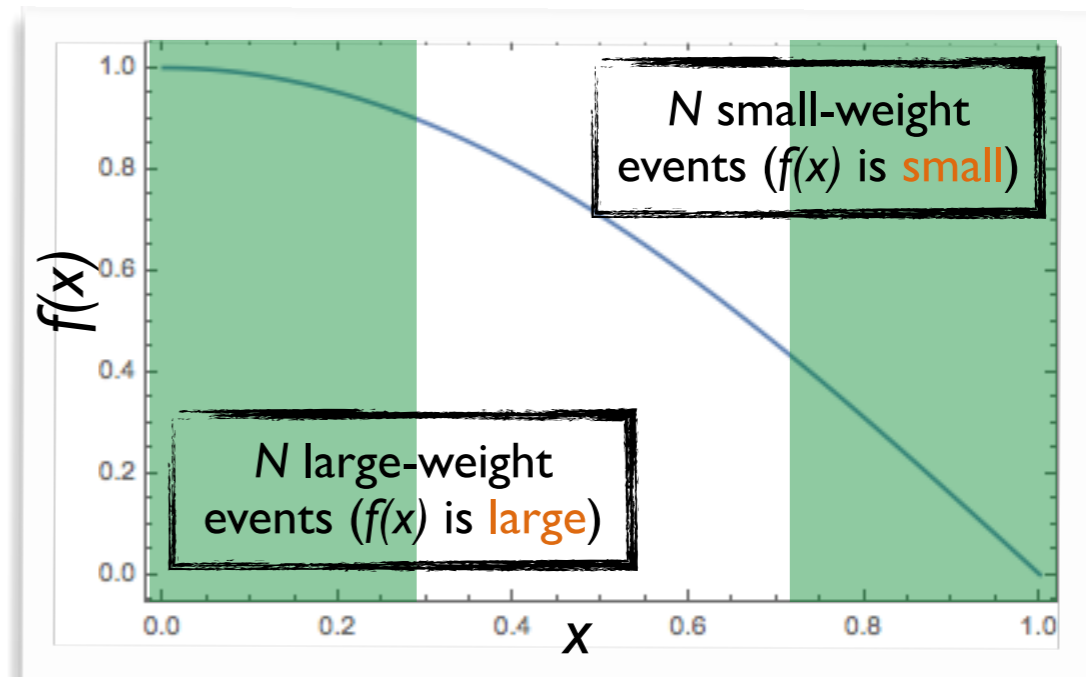


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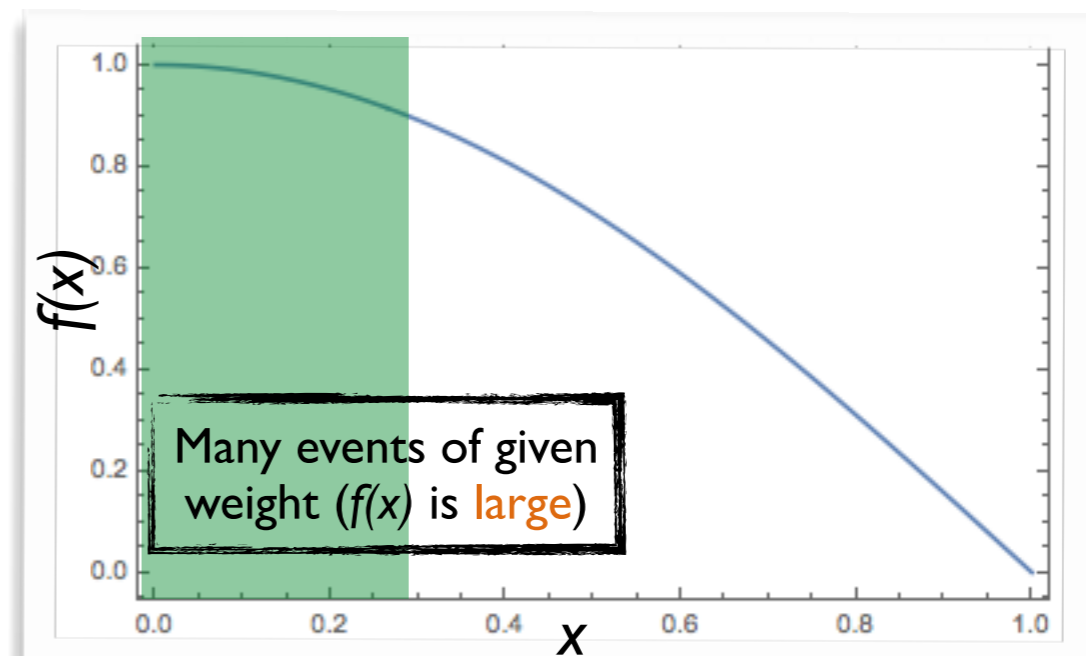
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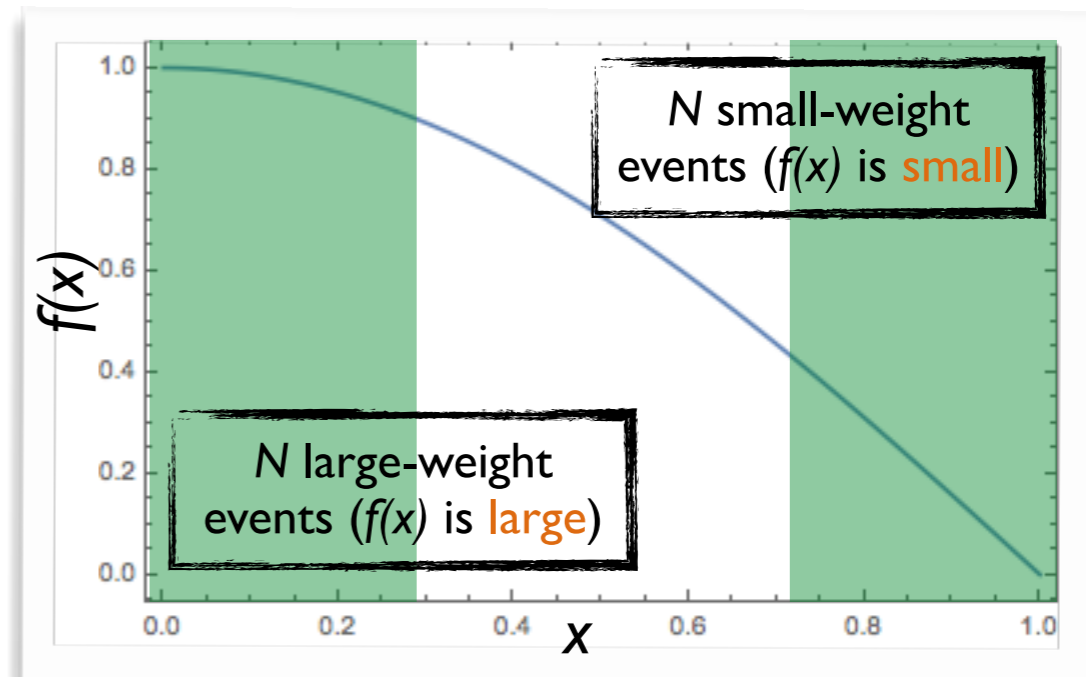


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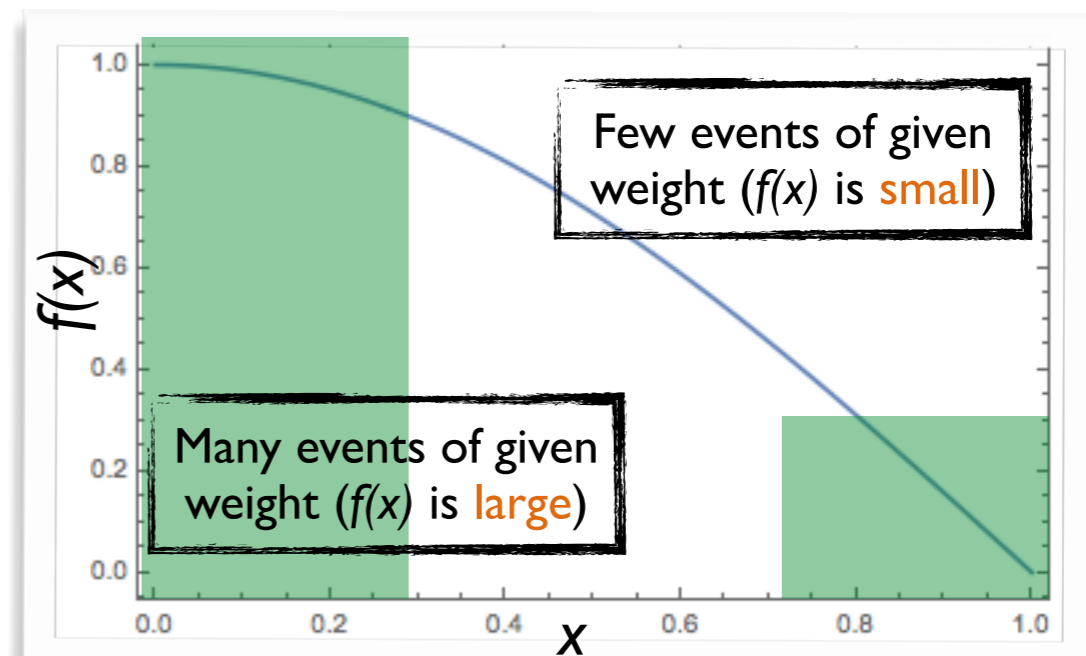
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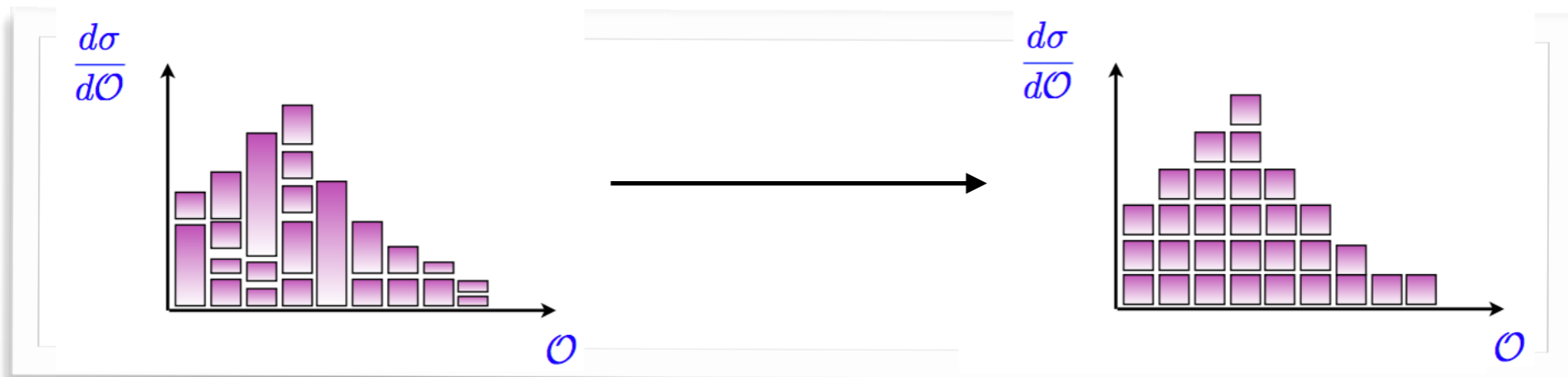
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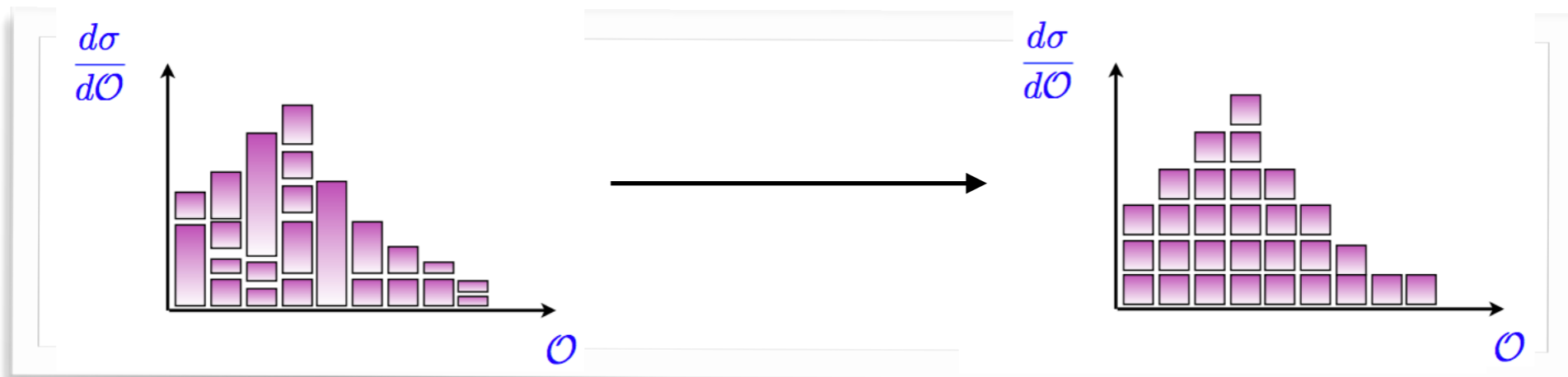
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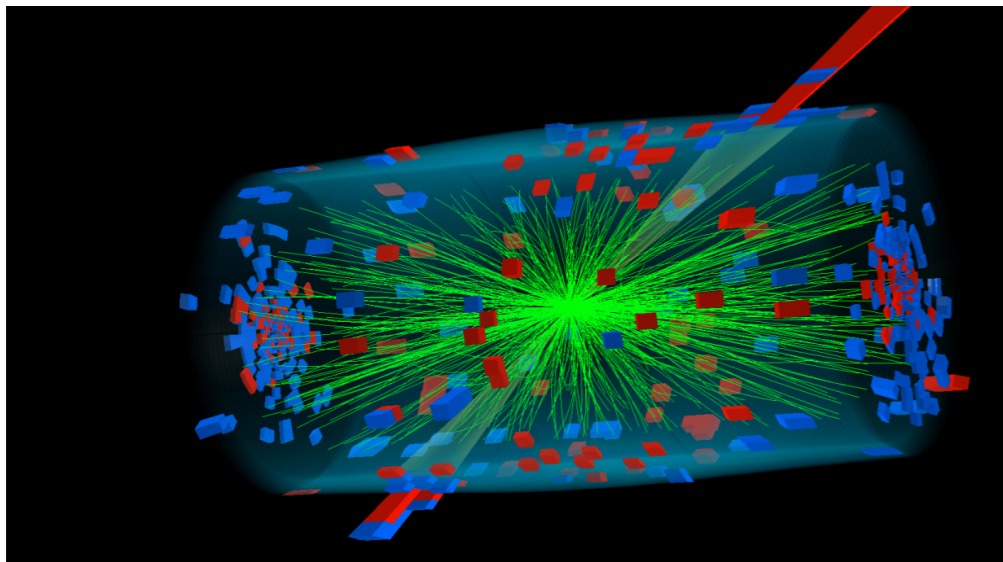
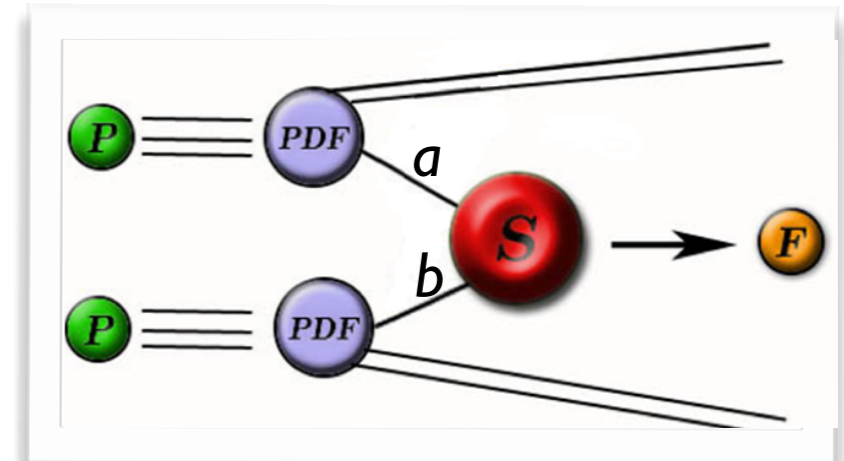


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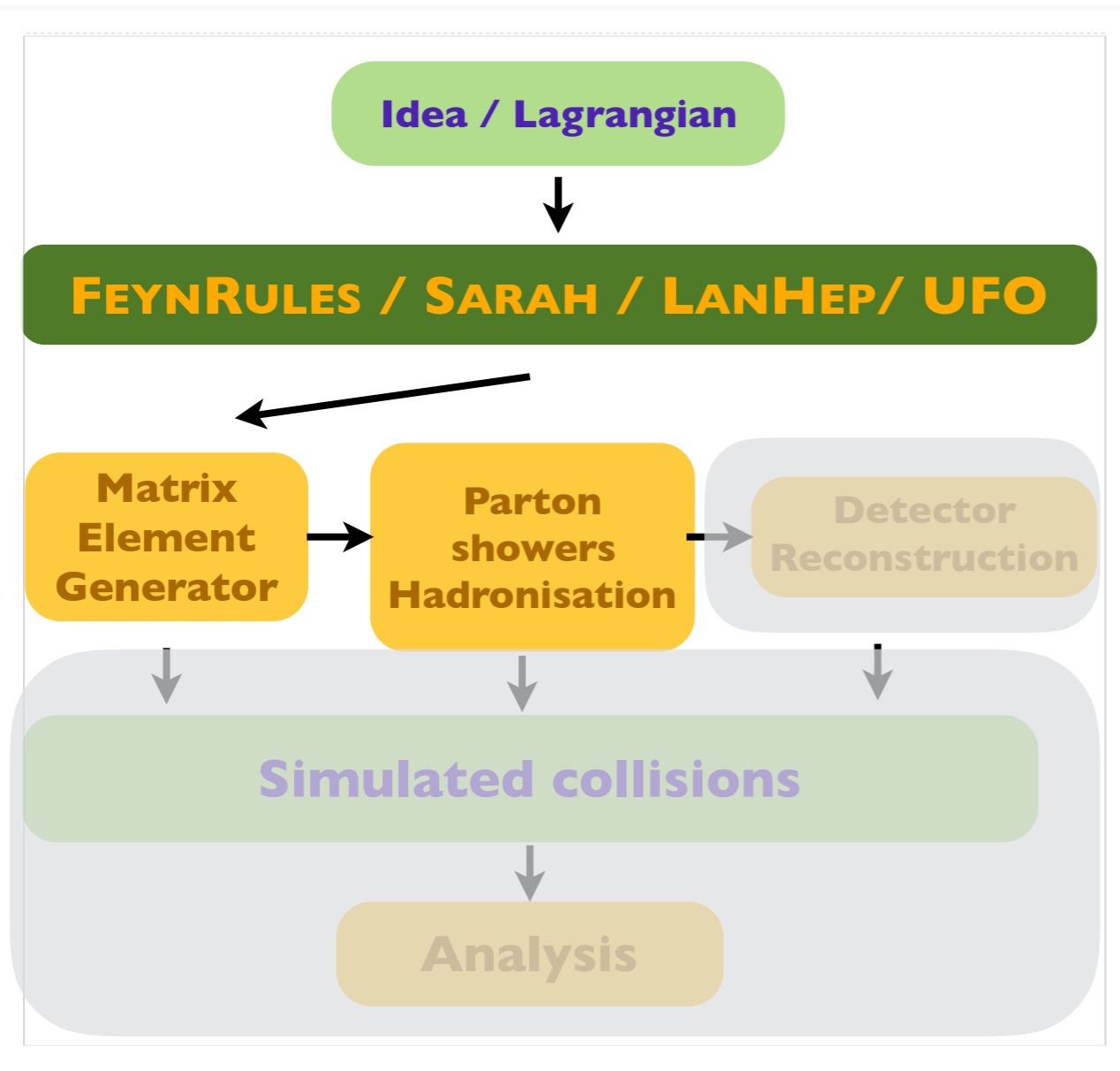
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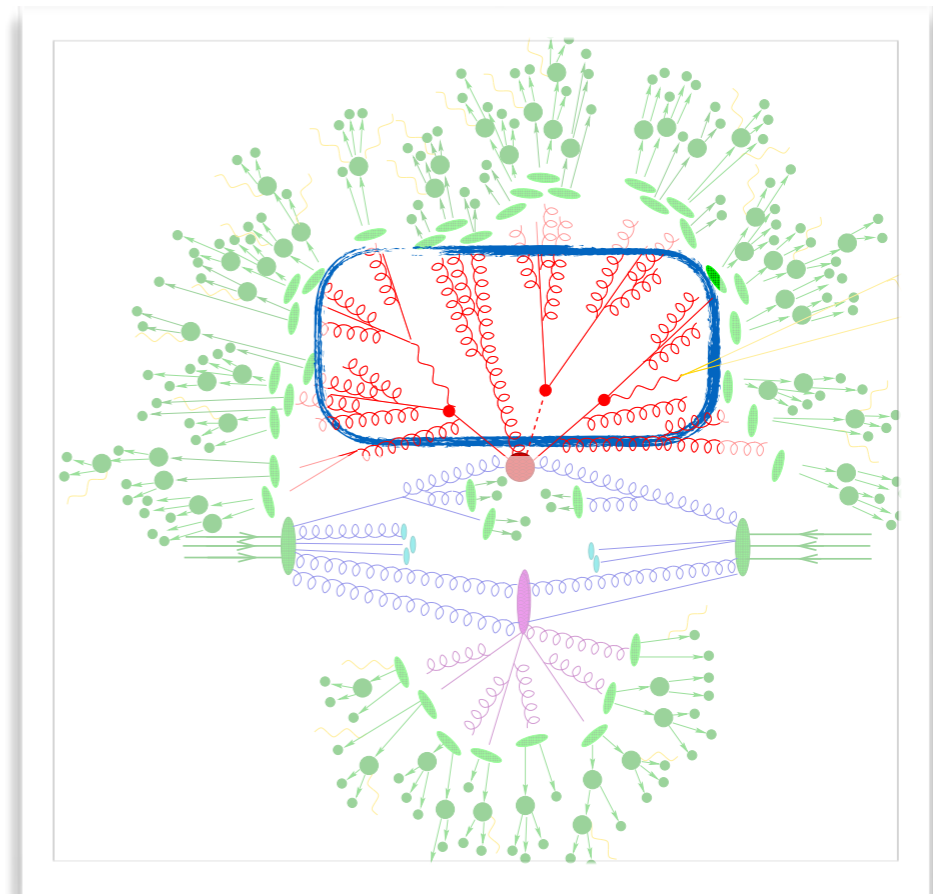
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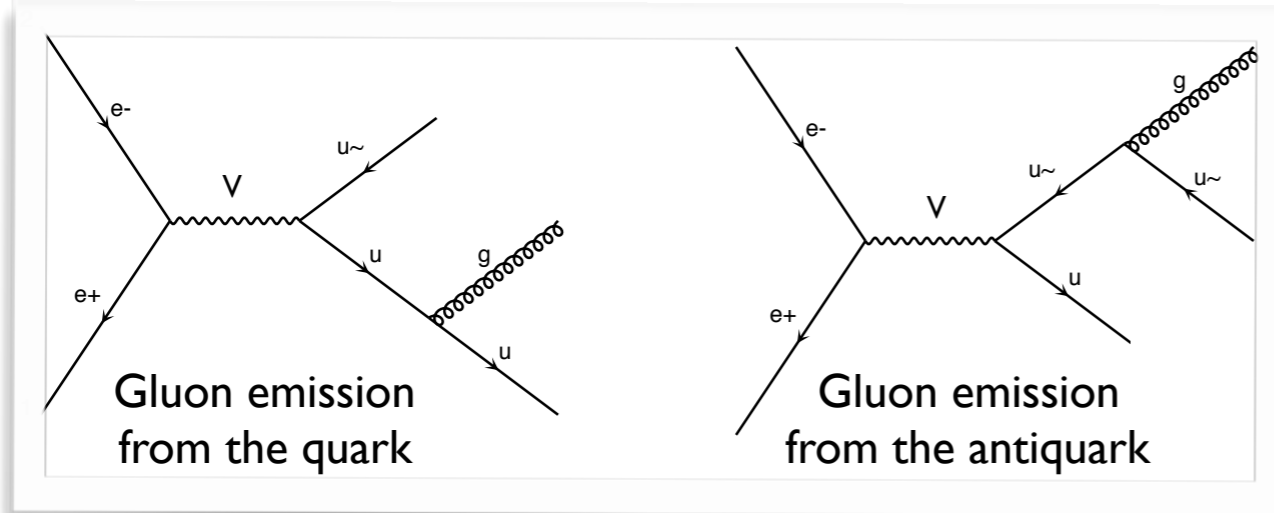
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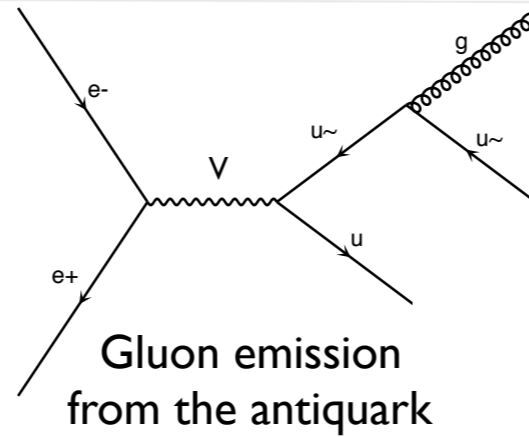
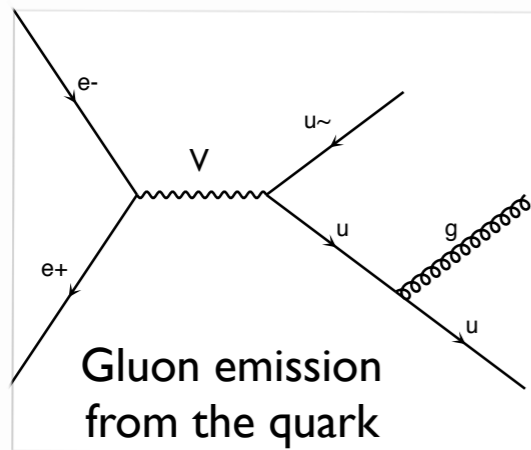
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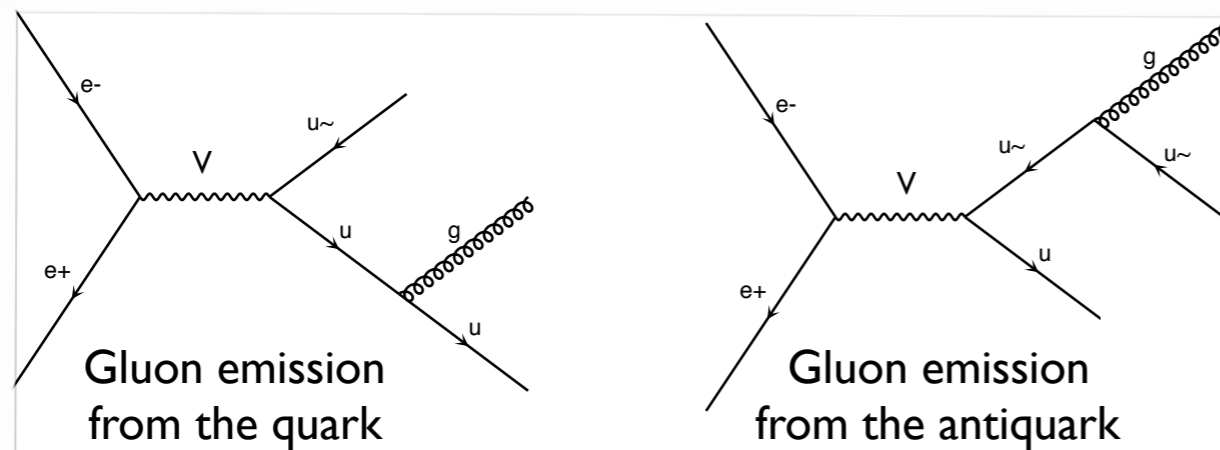
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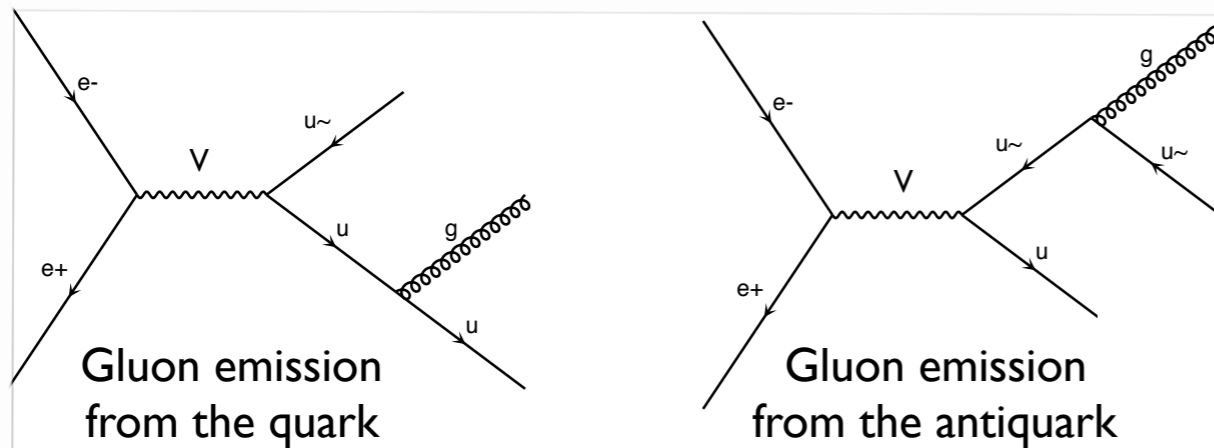


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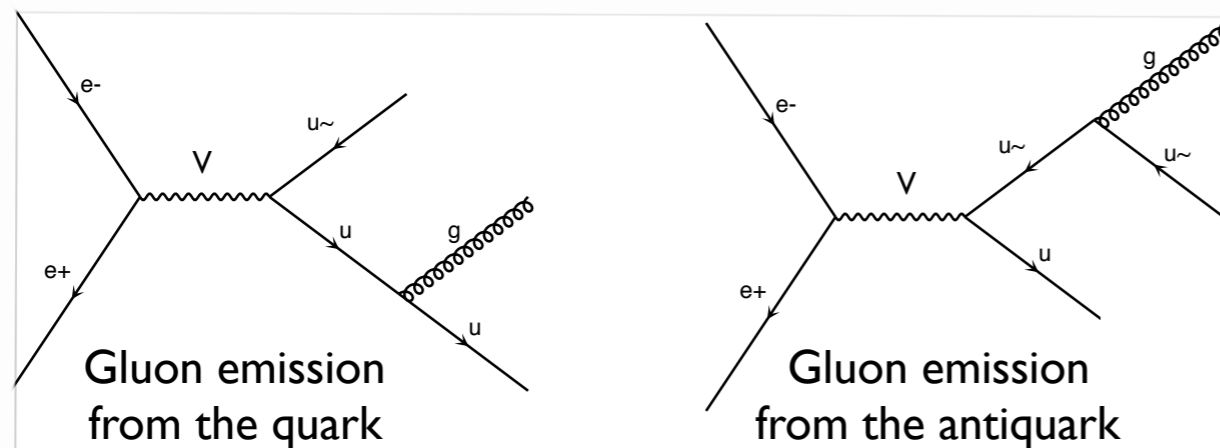
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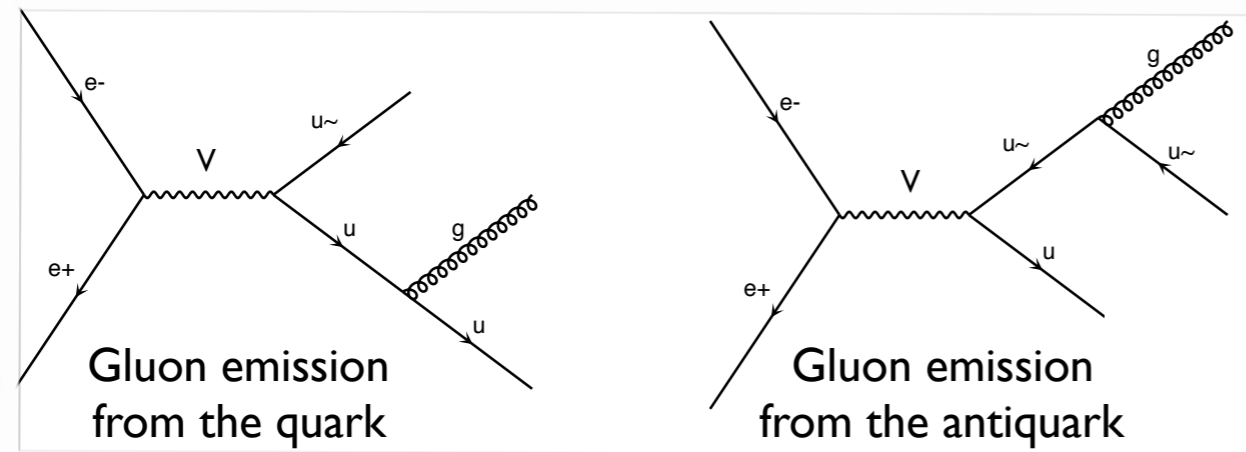
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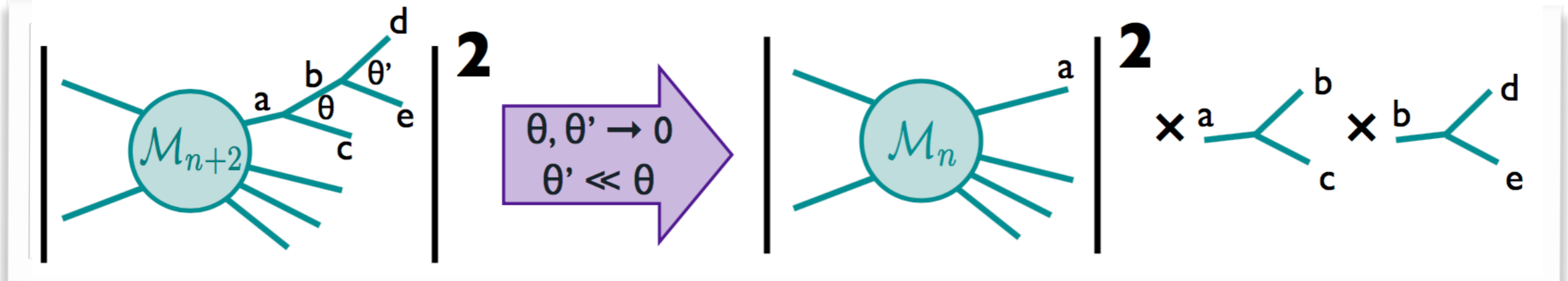
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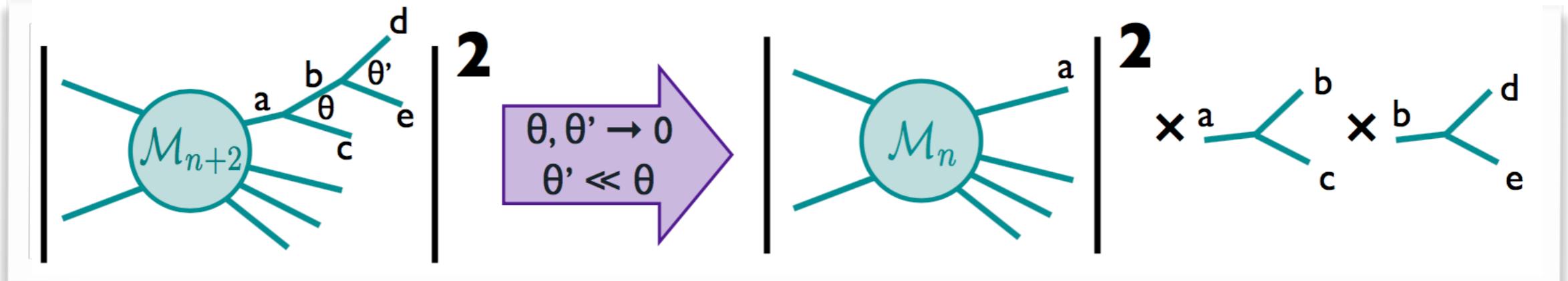
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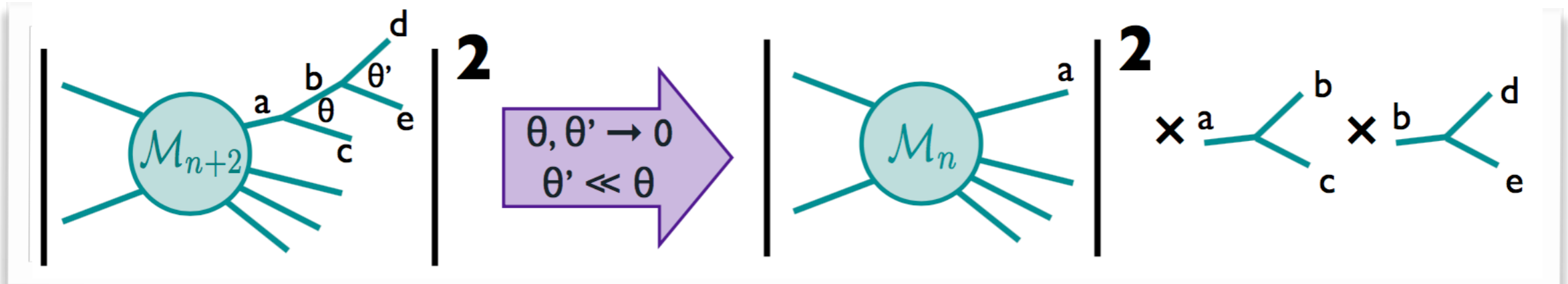
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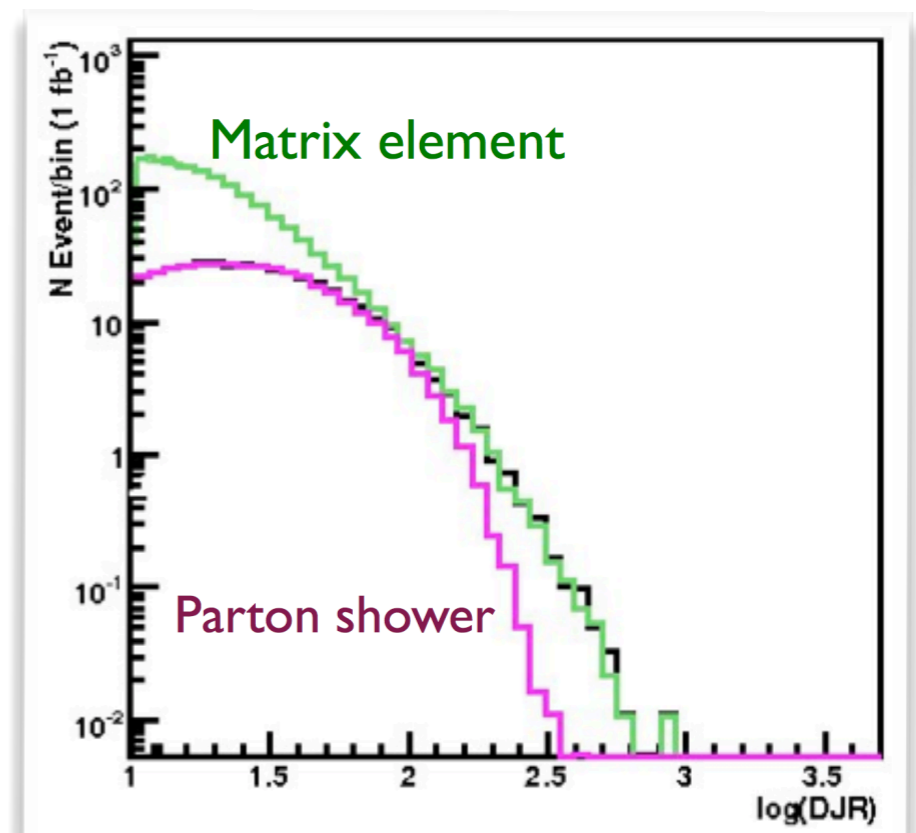
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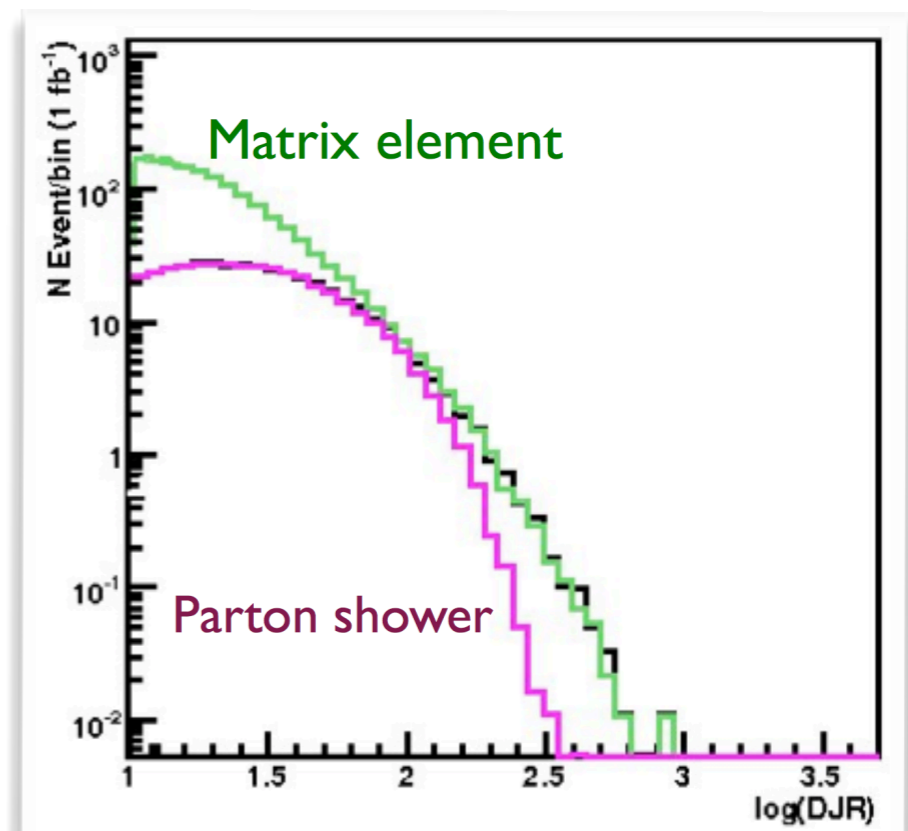
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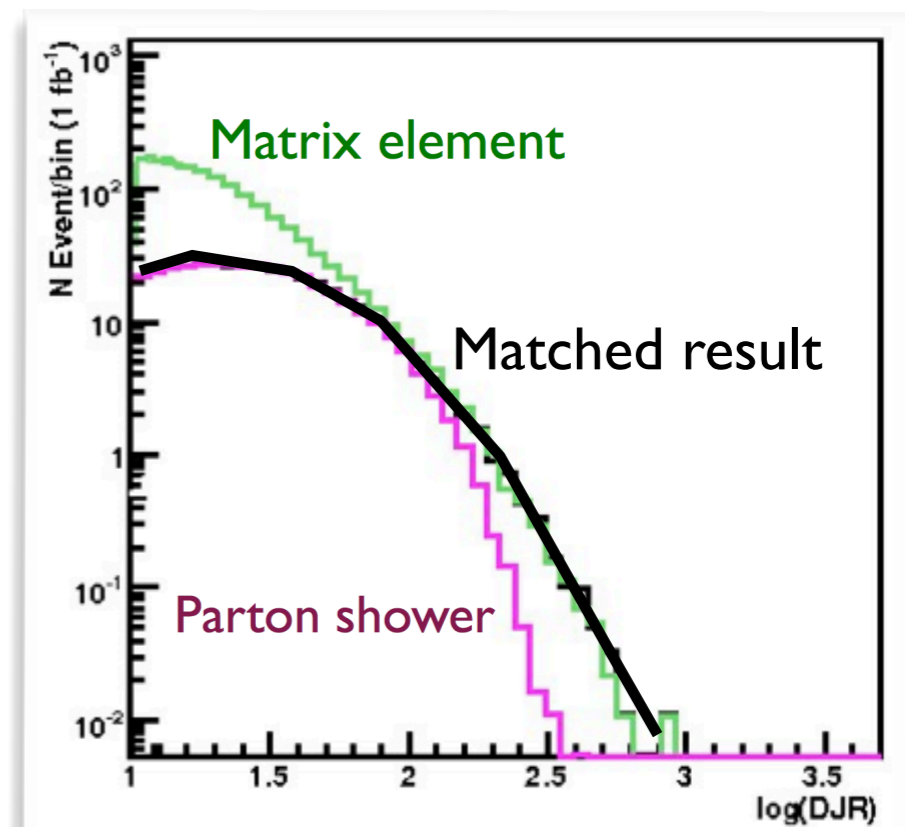
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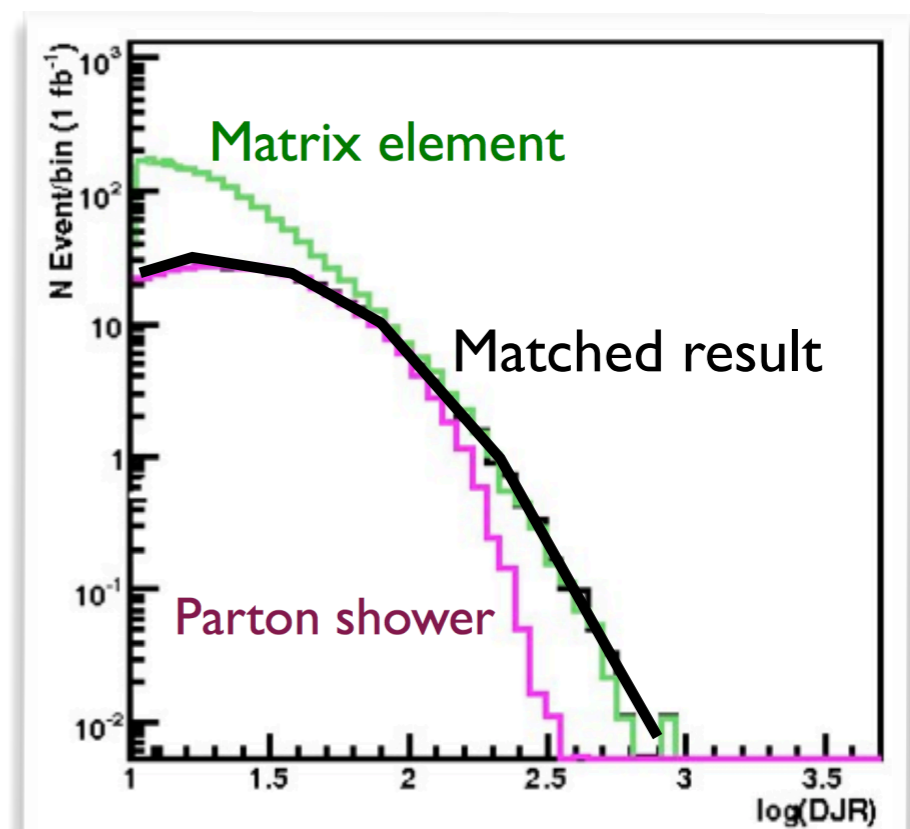
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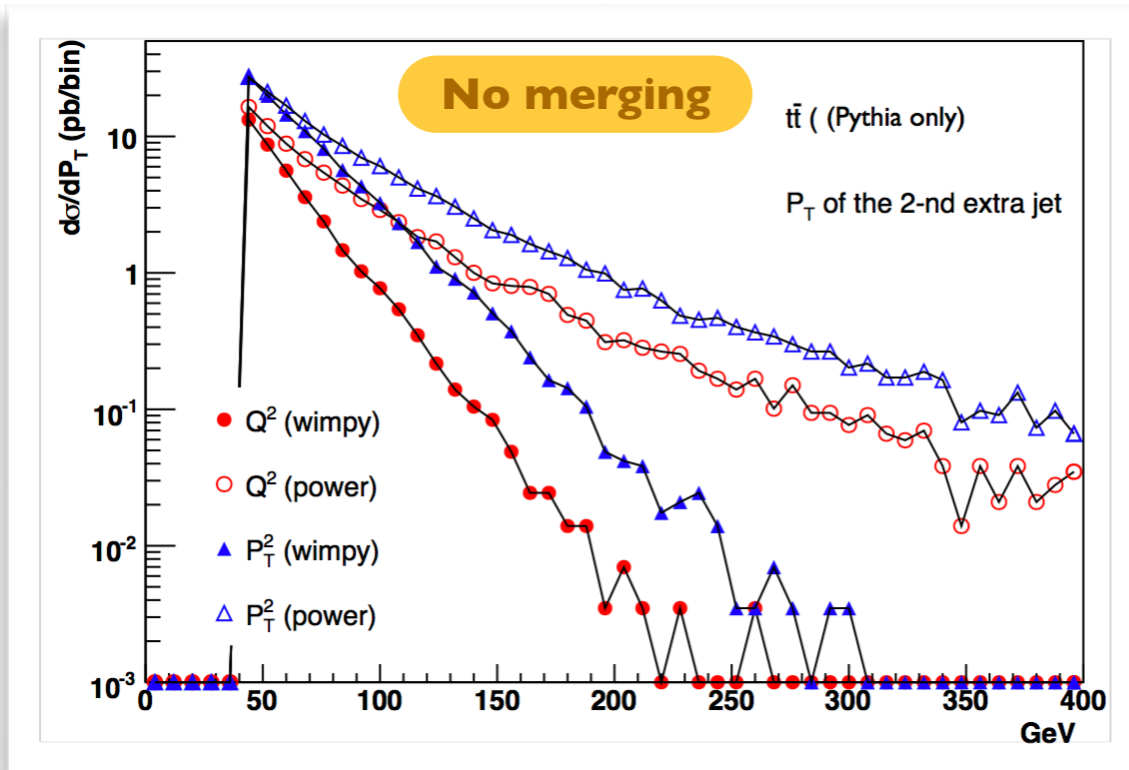
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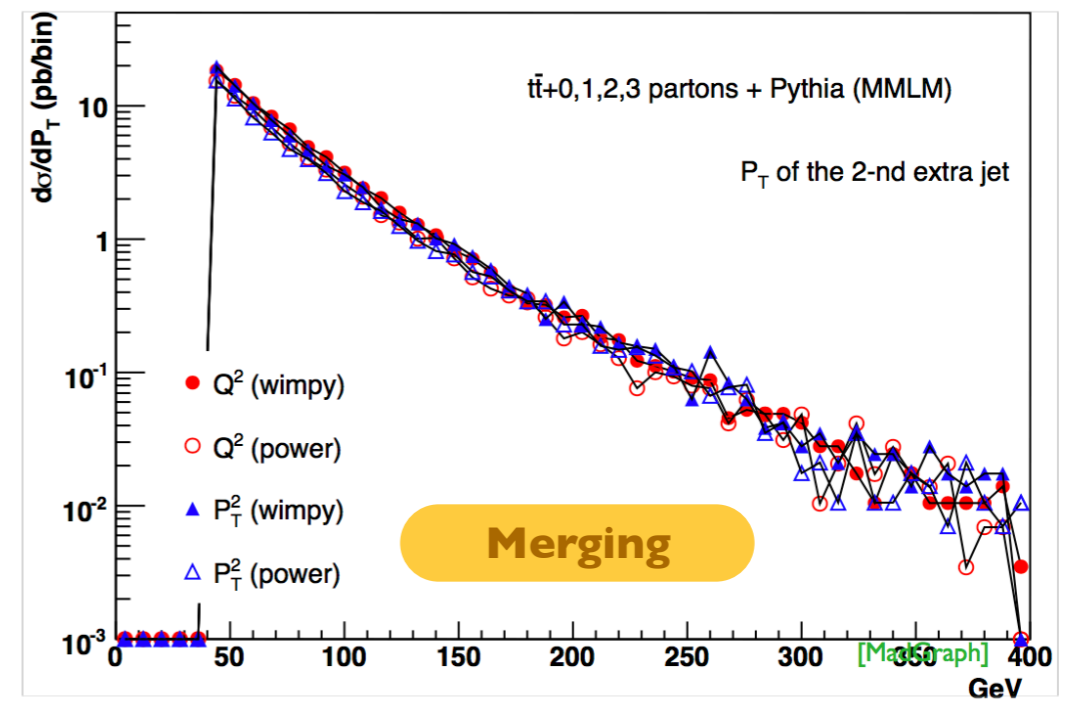
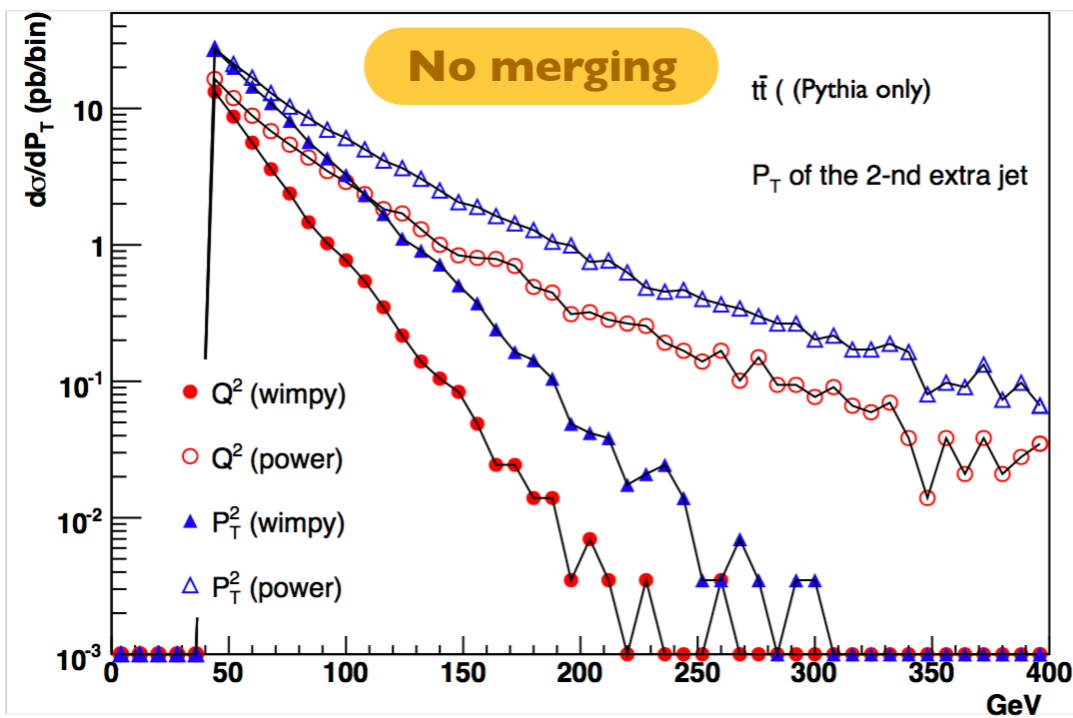
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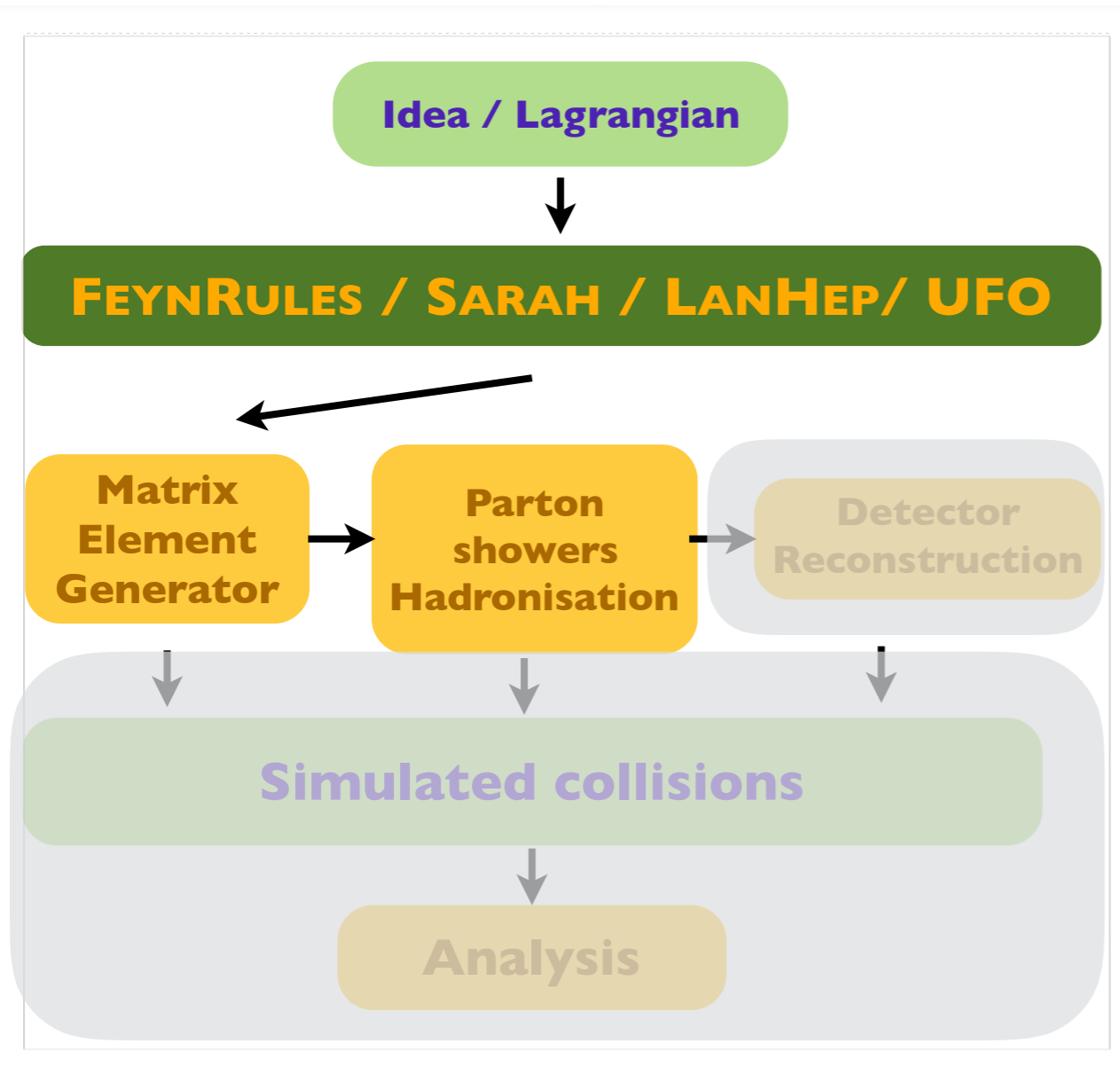
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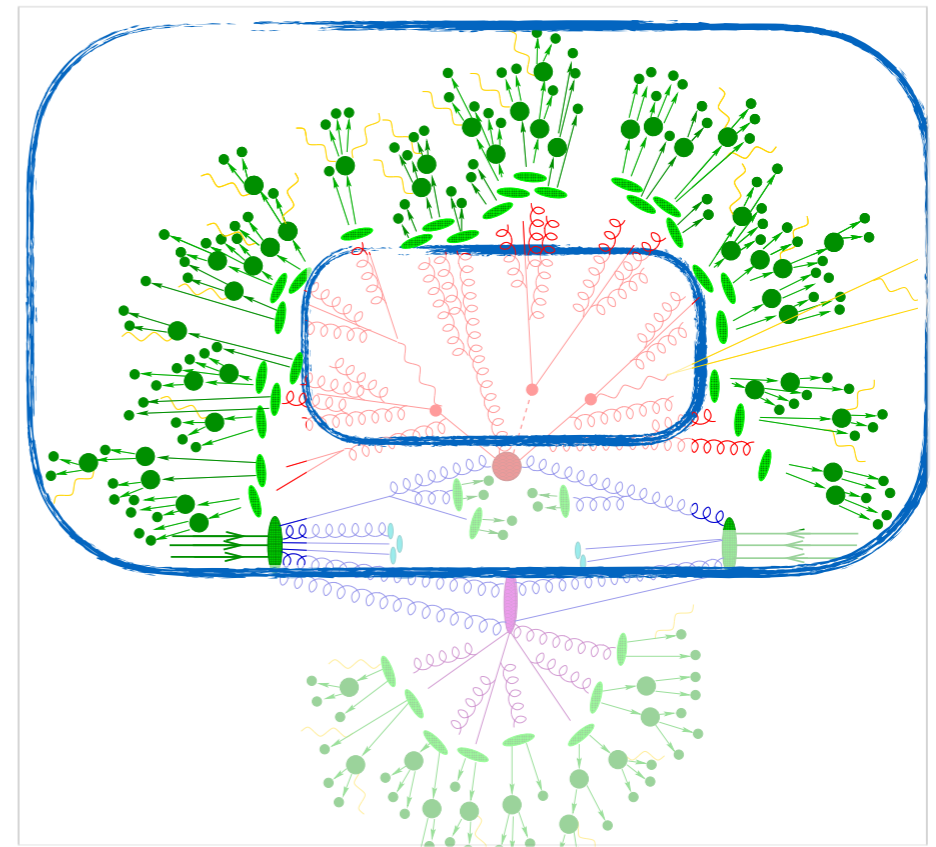
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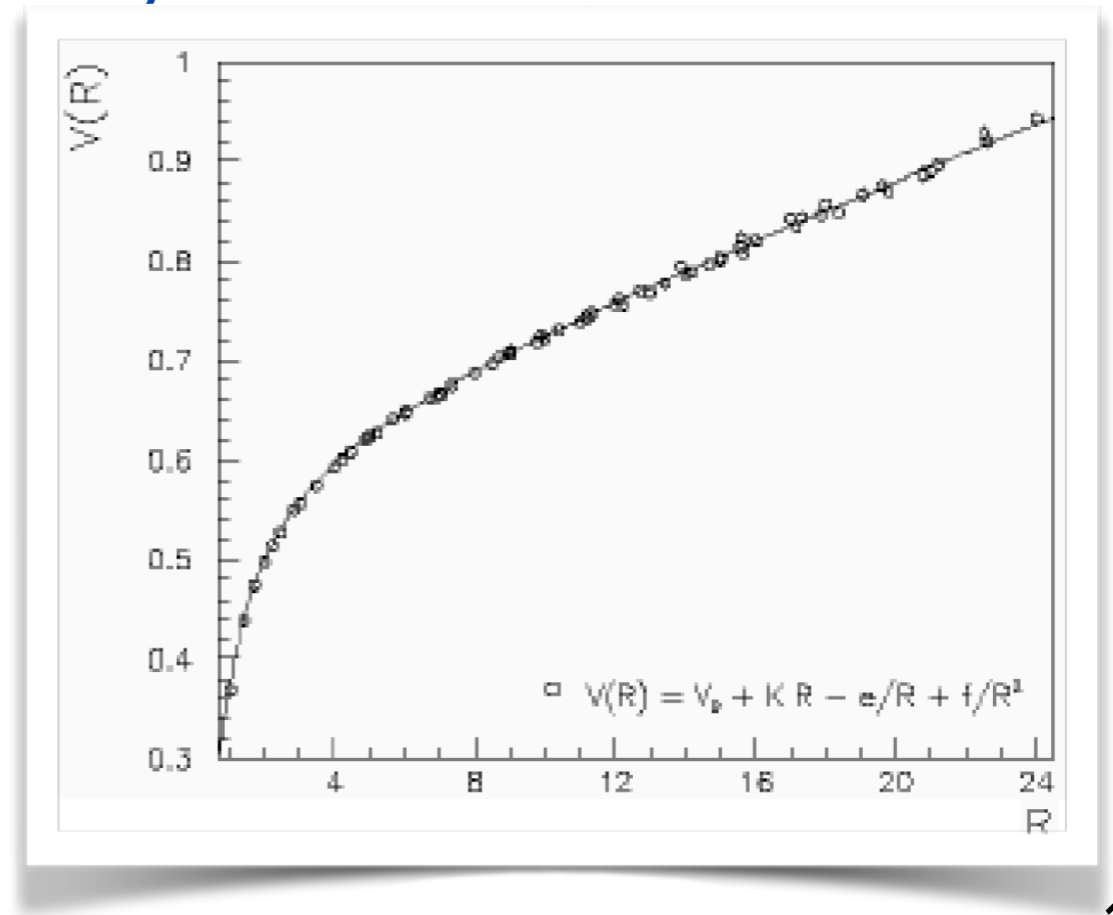
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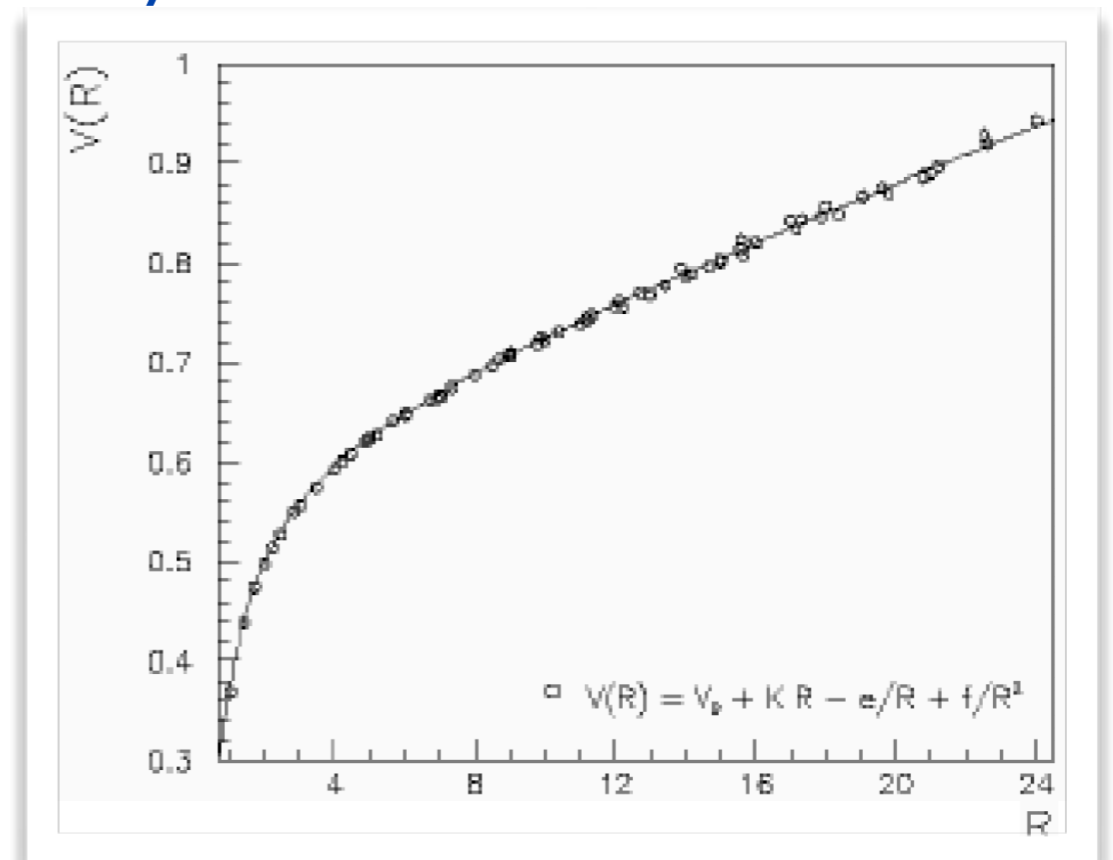
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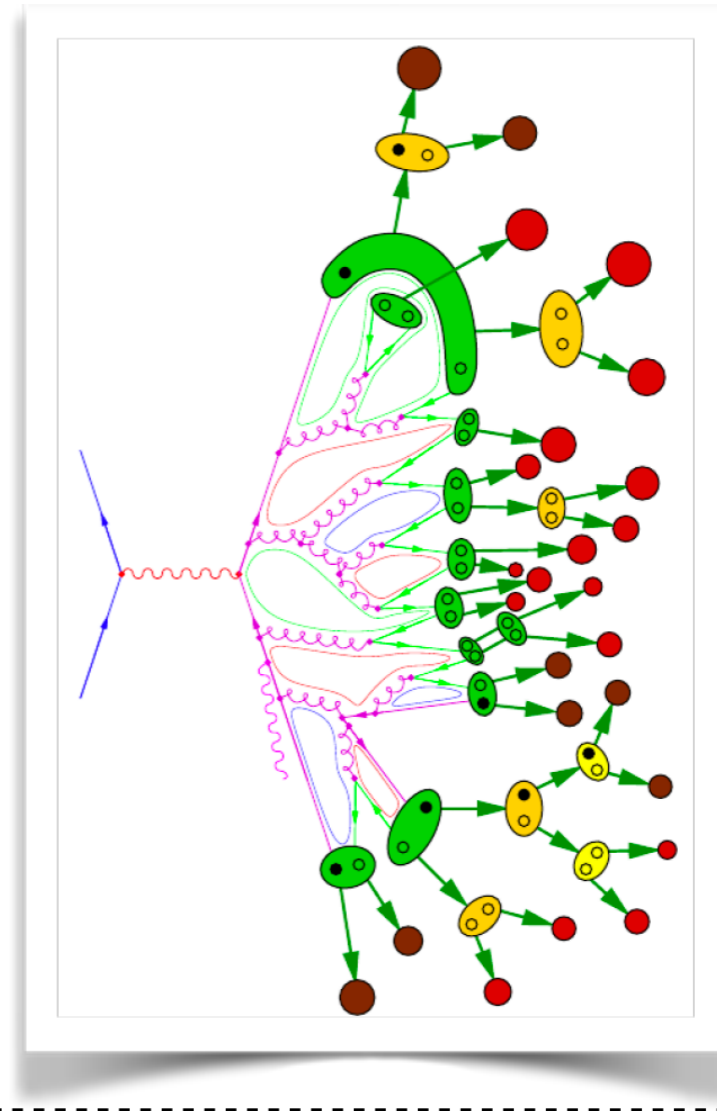
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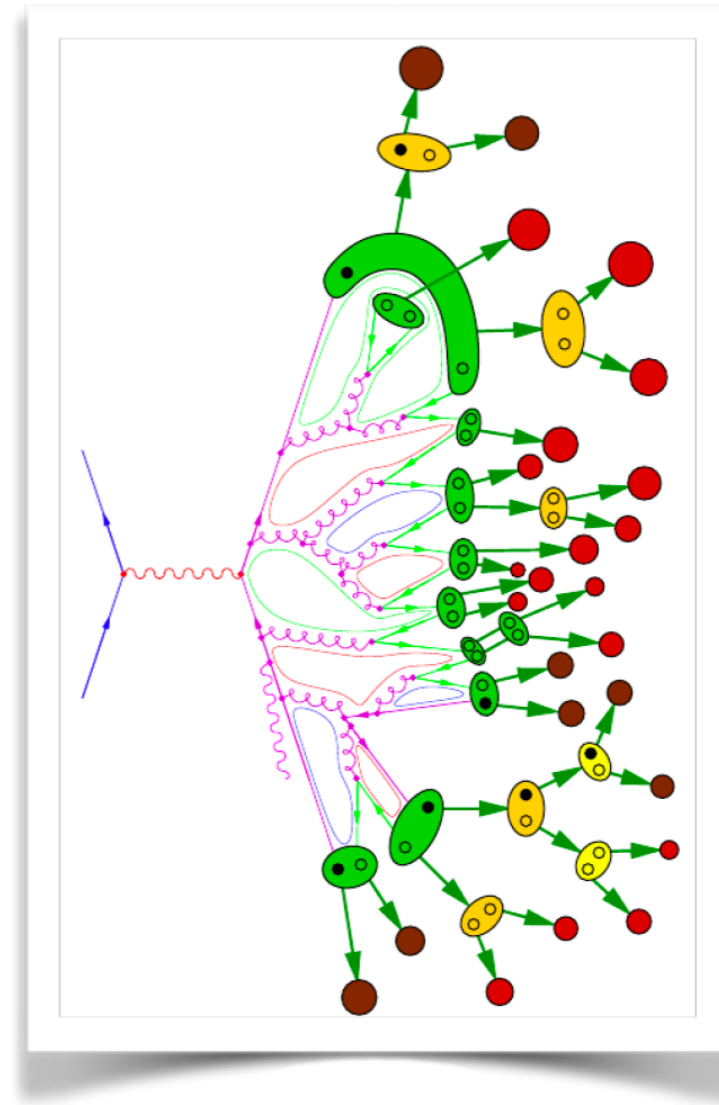
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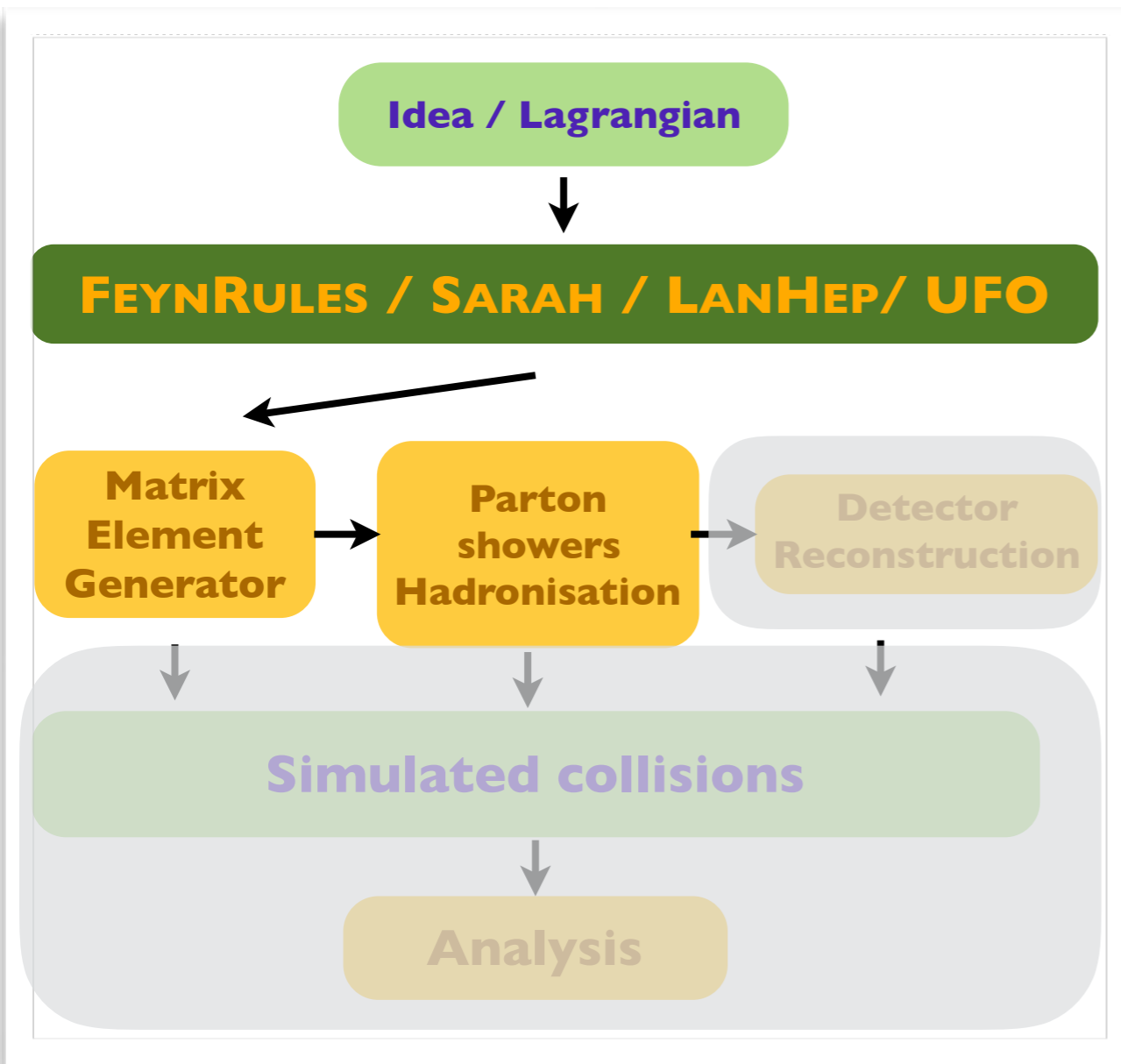
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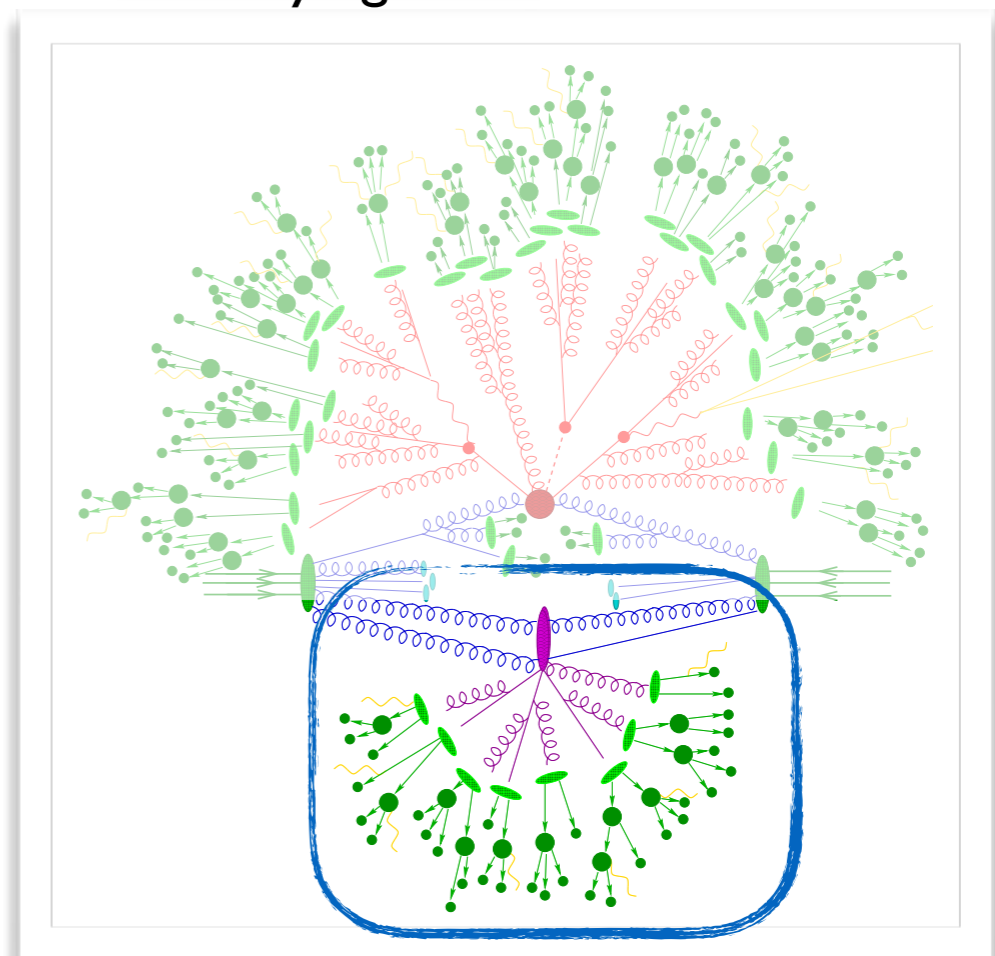
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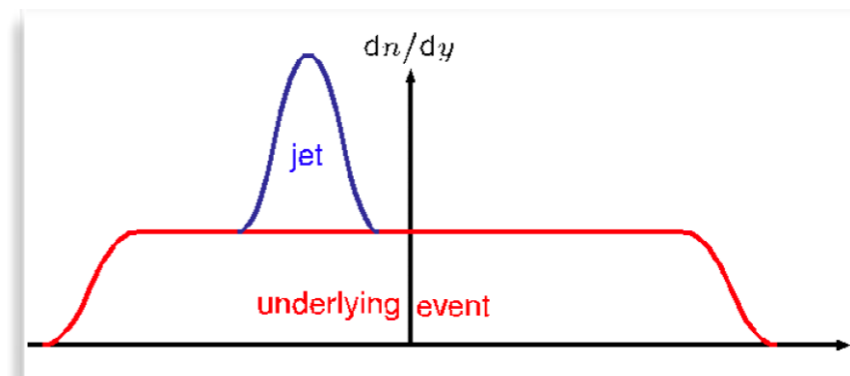
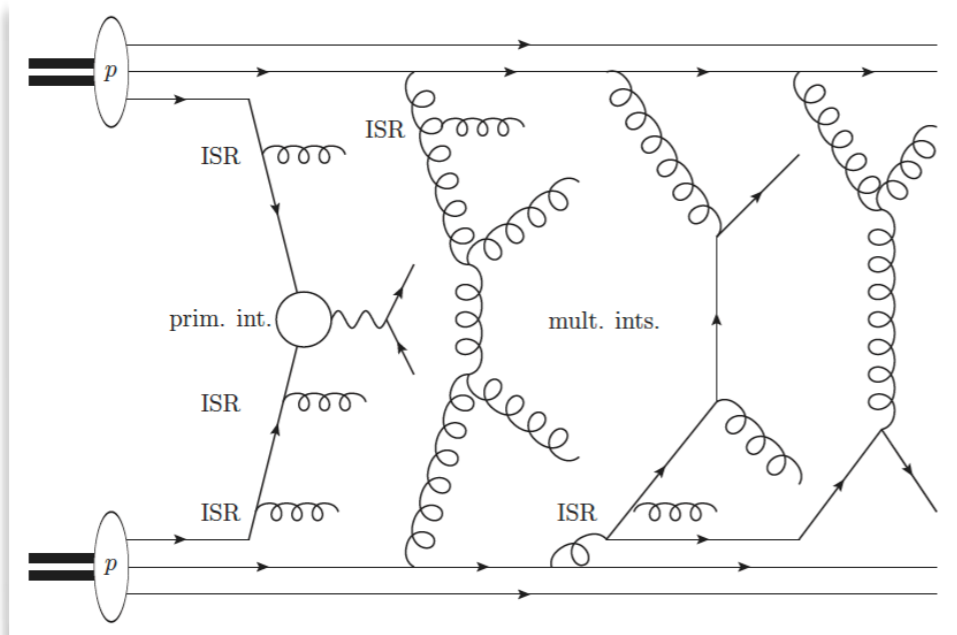
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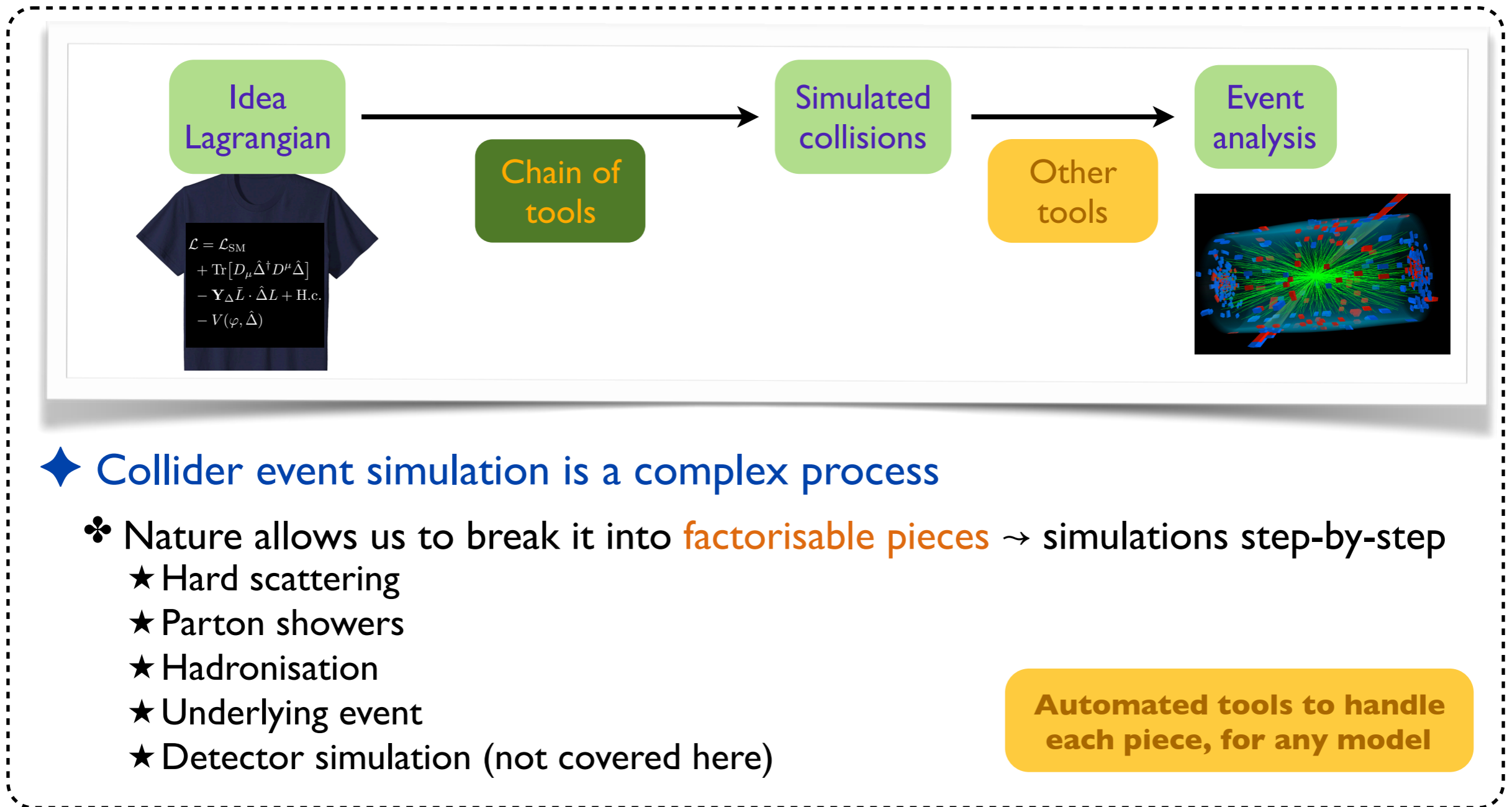
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