


Jets in heavy-ion collisions at RHIC and LHC

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 **Jet quenching has been established at RHIC as a fundamental tool in the study of hot matter in heavy-ion collisions**

- *Single inclusive suppression*
- *Two- and three-particle correlations*
- *Particle species dependence: Specially heavy-quarks*

 **Completely new opportunities at the LHC**

- *Larger kinematical reach*
- *New hard probes, in particular reconstructed JETS*

[More in David D'Enterrias' lectures]

Contents

- I. Gluon multiplication in vacuum.
- II. Parton propagation in matter
- III. Hard Probes in HIC. Phenomenology I
- IV. Hard Probes in HIC. Phenomenology II

Some *bibliography*

[Lot of work done by now, this is just a small compilation
where you can find more references]

— Vacuum, hard processes:

Books, e.g. *QCD and Collider Physics*, Ellis, Stirling and Webber

Lectures, e.g. A.D. Martin, arxiv:0802.0161

— Jets and energy loss in heavy ion collisions

J. Casalderrey-Solana and C.A. Salgado, arxiv:0712.3443

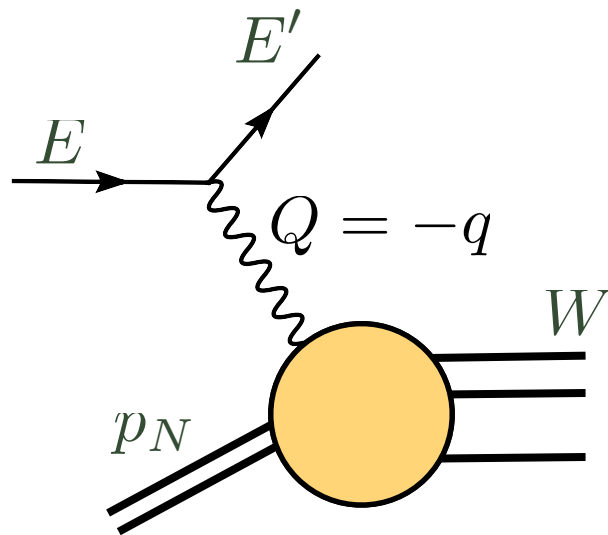
A. Kovner and U.A. Wiedemann, hep-ph/0304151

S. Peigne and A.V. Smilga, arxiv:0810.5702

Contents of the 1st lecture

- 🌀 Gluon multiplication in vacuum
 - Deep Inelastic Scattering → DGLAP evolution
 - Jets
 - Factorization
 - Examples
- 🌀 Hard probes in nuclear collisions
 - What for?

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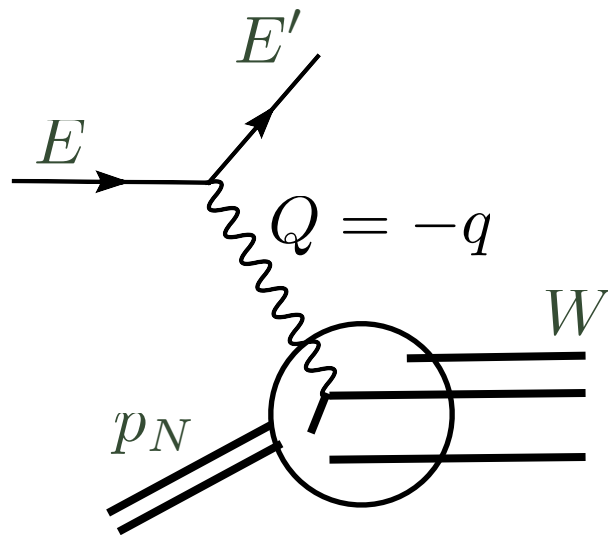
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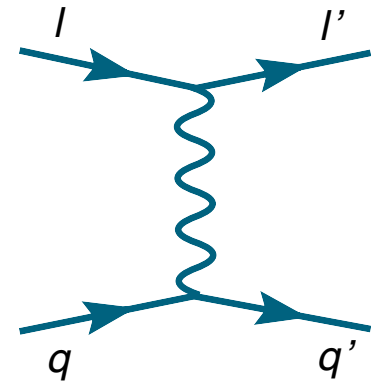
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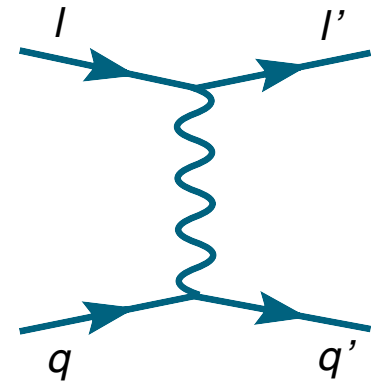
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**No QCD
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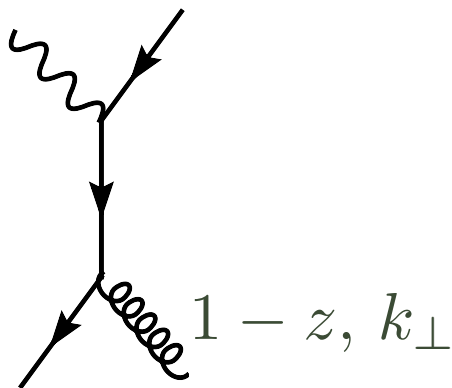
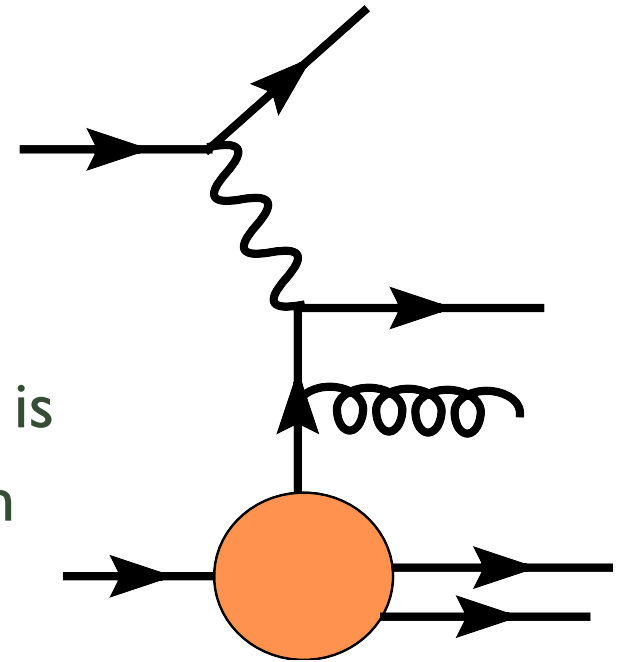
Including QCD-evolution

- ⇒ QCD corrections:
include inelastic photon-quark scattering

⇒ Leading order in QCD

- ⇒ Or equivalently: Given an initial quark, what is the probability to split, giving a quark or gluon with fraction of momentum z

⇒ Altarelli-Parisi splitting functions



$$dP(z, k_{\perp}^2) = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \frac{1}{k_{\perp}^2} P(z) dz dk_{\perp}^2$$

$$P(z) = C_F \left[\frac{1+z^2}{1-z} \right]$$

Divergencies I

⇒ Including gluon radiation, the structure function is now

$$F_2(x, Q^2) = x \sum_q \int_x^1 \frac{dz}{z} f_q \left(\frac{x}{z} \right) e_q^2 \left[\delta(1-z) + \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \left(P(z) \log \frac{Q^2}{\mu_0^2} + C(z) \right) \right]$$

⇒ Where an infrared regulator has been introduced $\rightarrow \mu_0$

$$\int_{\mu_0^2}^{Q^2} \frac{dk_{\perp}^2}{k_{\perp}^2} = \log \left(\frac{Q^2}{\mu_0^2} \right) \quad \rightarrow \text{Splitting is divergent}$$

⇒ Renormalization: put divergences in parton distribution functions

$$f_q(x, \mu^2) = f_q(x) + \int_x^1 \frac{dz}{z} f_q \left(\frac{x}{z} \right) \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \left(P(z) \log \frac{\mu^2}{\mu_0^2} + C_1 \right)$$

⇒ So, formally they are infinite...

Divergencies II

⇒ Renormalization: put divergences in parton distribution functions

$$F_2(x, Q^2) = x \sum_q \int_x^1 \frac{dz}{z} f_q \left(\frac{x}{z}, \mu^2 \right) e_q^2 \left[\delta(1-z) + \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \left(P(z) \log \frac{Q^2}{\mu^2} + C_2 \right) \right]$$

⇒ ... and renormalize the PDFs (F_2 does not depend on μ^2)

$$\frac{\partial F_2(x, Q^2)}{\partial \log \mu^2} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{\partial f_q(x, \mu^2)}{\partial \log \mu^2} = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \int_x^1 \frac{dz}{z} P(z) f_q \left(\frac{x}{z}, \mu^2 \right)$$

⇒ In this way, we can define again

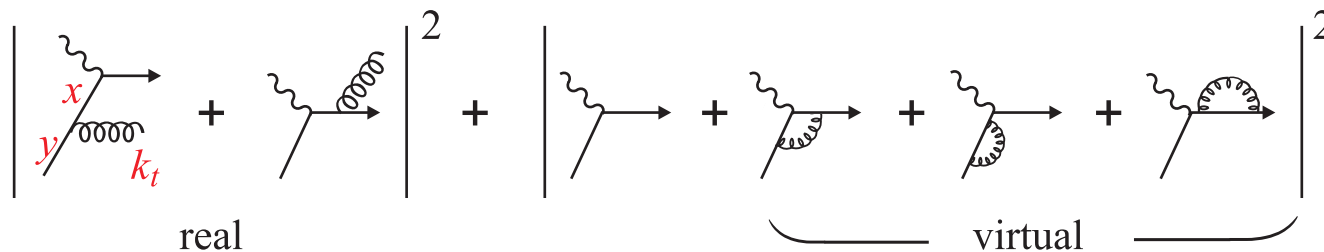
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(other definitions are possible depending on the finite parts C)

A technical point

⇒ The splitting functions need to be regularized for $z \rightarrow 1$

$$P_{qq}(z) = C_F \left(\frac{1+z^2}{1-z} \right)_+$$



Sum rules

⇒ Baryon number $\int_0^1 dx [u_V(x, Q^2) + d_V(x, Q^2)] = 3$

⇒ Momentum

$$\int_0^1 dx x [g(x, Q^2) + u(x, Q^2) + \bar{u}(x, Q^2) + d(x, Q^2) + \bar{d}(x, Q^2) + \dots] = 1$$

The DGLAP equations

⇒ The whole set of equations include all possible splittings and flavors

$$\frac{\partial q_i(x, Q^2)}{\partial \log Q^2} = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \left[\int_x^1 \frac{dz}{z} \sum_j P_{q_i q_j}(z) q_j \left(\frac{x}{z}, Q^2 \right) + P_{q_i g}(z) g \left(\frac{x}{z}, Q^2 \right) \right]$$
$$\frac{\partial g(x, Q^2)}{\partial \log Q^2} = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \left[\int_x^1 \frac{dz}{z} \sum_j P_{g q_j}(z) q_j \left(\frac{x}{z}, Q^2 \right) + P_{g g}(z) g \left(\frac{x}{z}, Q^2 \right) \right]$$

[DGLAP: Dokshitzer, Gribov, Lipatov, Altarelli, Parisi]

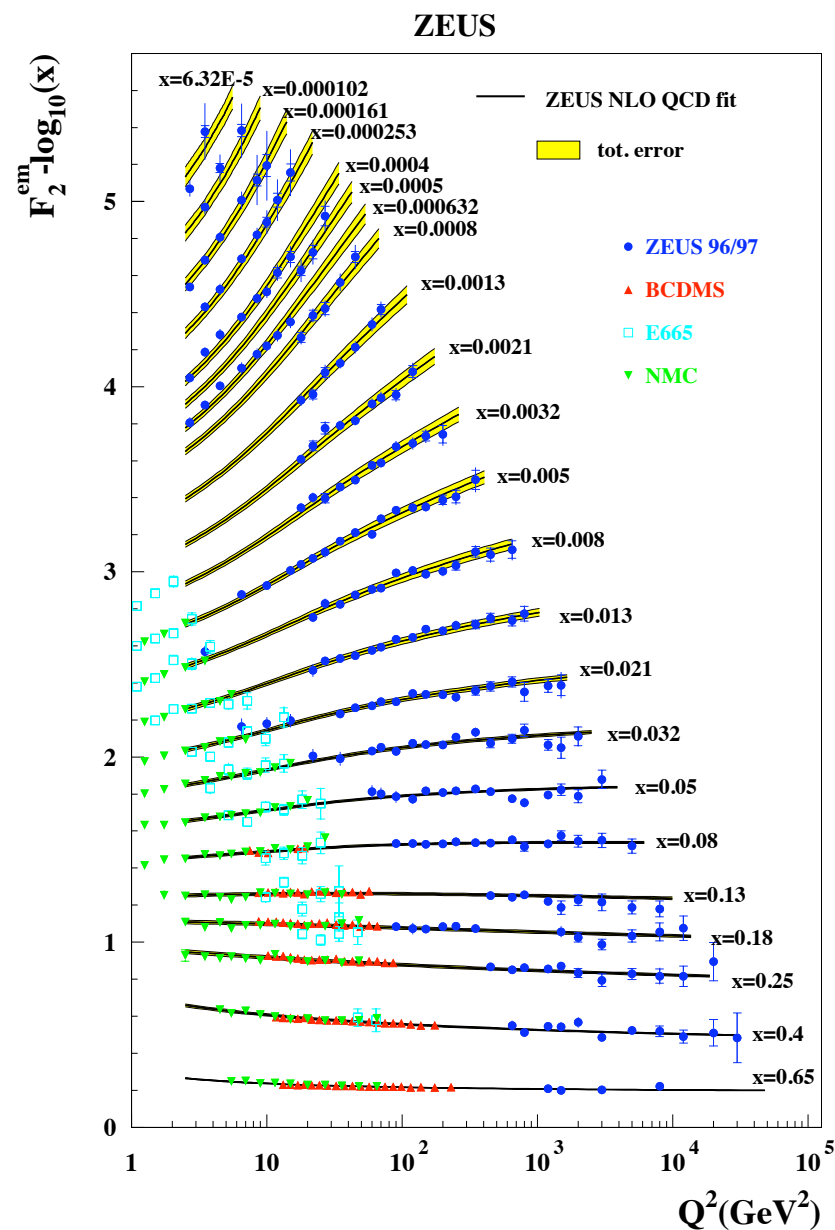
⇒ So, although the parton distribution functions are non-perturbative, it's evolution can be predicted by pQCD.

↘ Initial non-perturbative input taken from experiment $f_i(x, Q_0^2)$

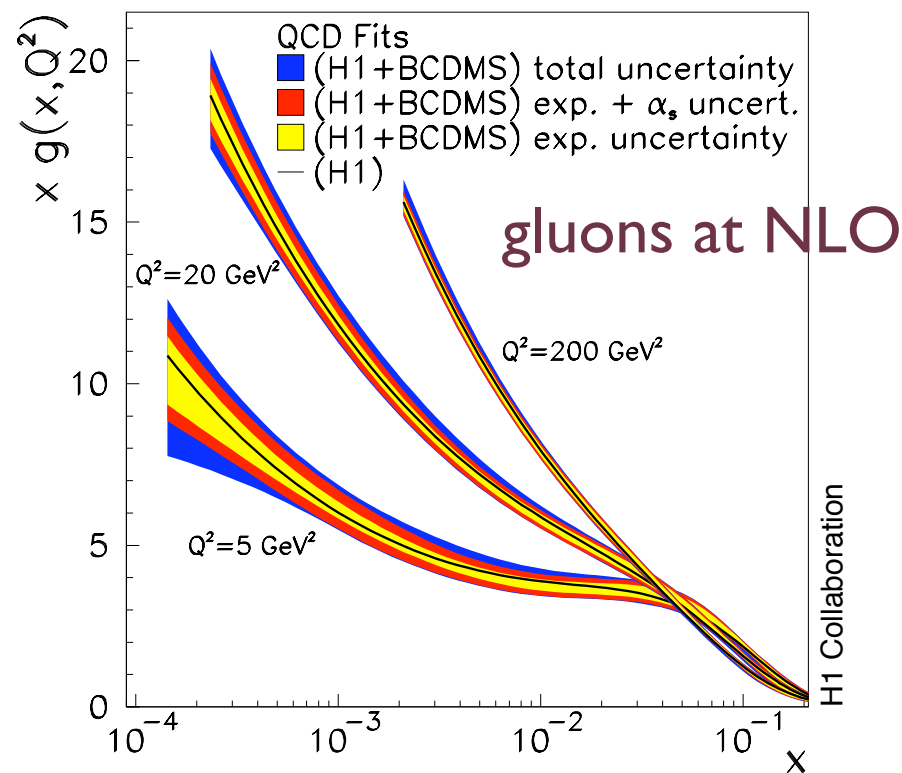
↘ The proton contains also gluons: exp. half of the momentum

⇒ The description of DIS is one of the most precise tests of QCD

Description of the data



- ➔ This is obtained by global fits
- ➔ Essential for the phenomenology
- ➔ LHC



Probabilistic interpretation

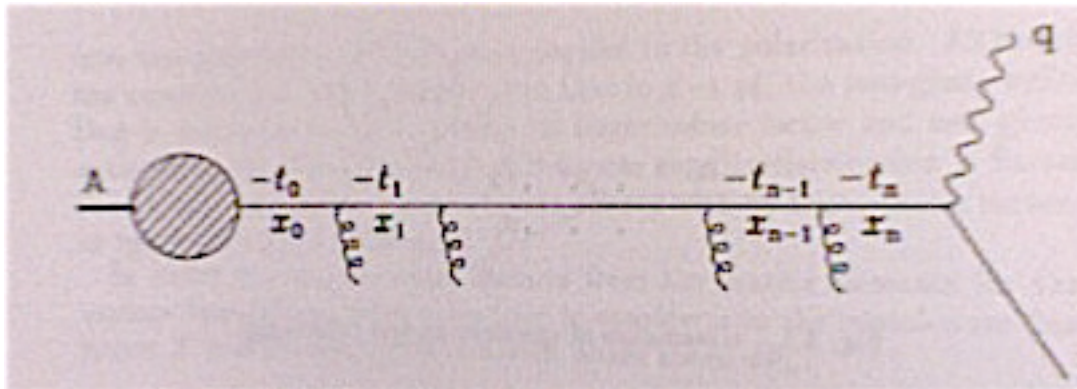
⇒ The evolution equation can be written as,

$$f_q(x, Q^2) + df_q(x, Q^2) = \int dy \int dz \delta(z y - x) f_q(y, Q^2) \left[\delta(z - 1) + \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P(z) d \log Q^2 \right]$$

⇒ So that the probability of finding inside a quark another quark with fraction of momentum z of the parent parton is

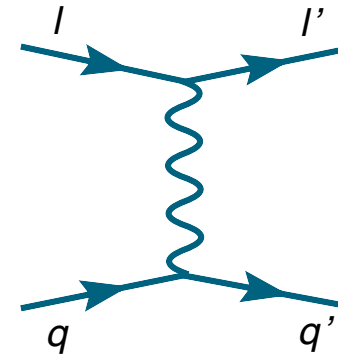
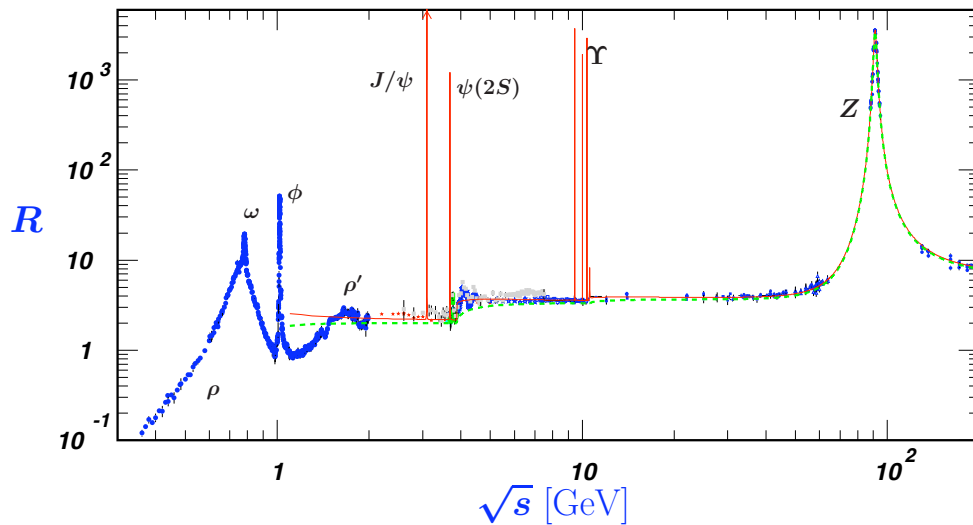
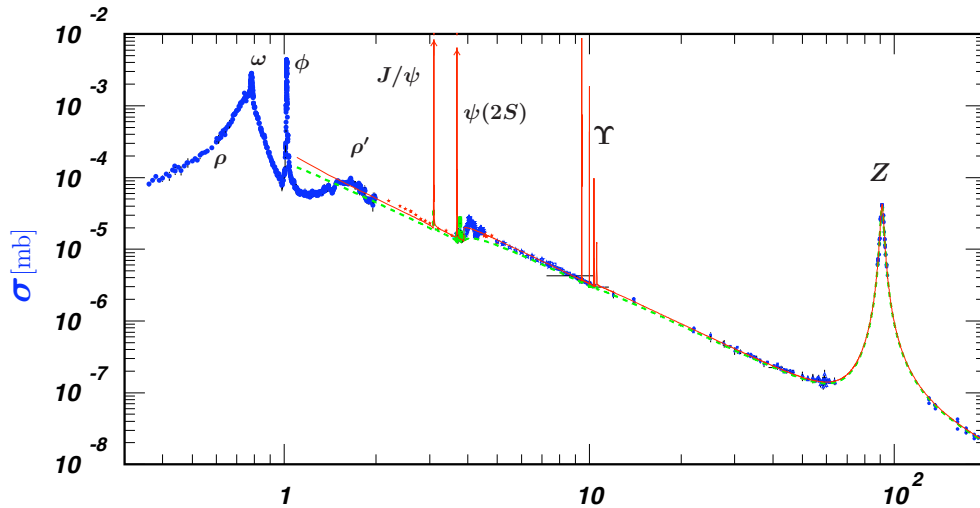
$$\mathcal{P}_{qq} + d\mathcal{P}_{qq} = \delta(z - 1) + \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P(z) d \log Q^2$$

⇒ Repeating this, we resum the multiple branchings - DGLAP



$$\mathcal{O} \left([\alpha_s \log Q^2]^n \right)$$

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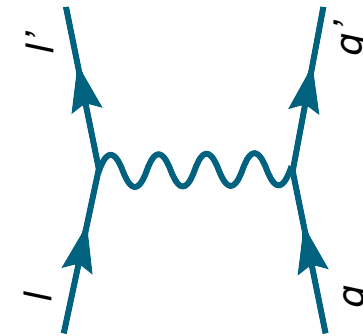
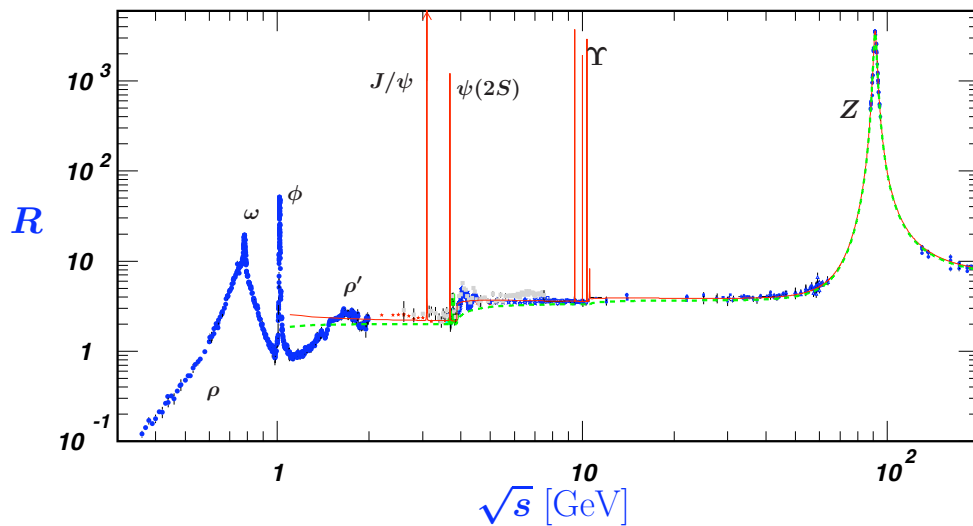
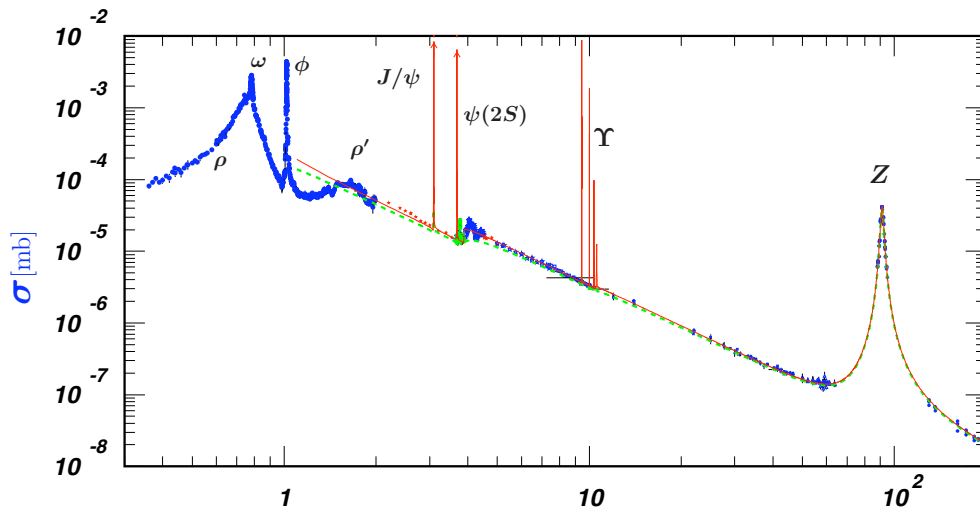
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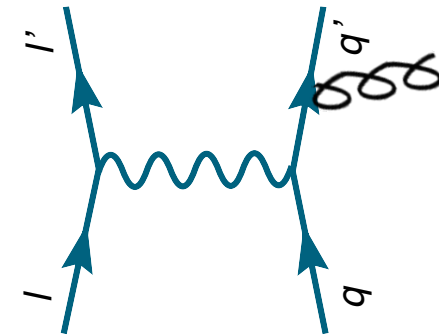
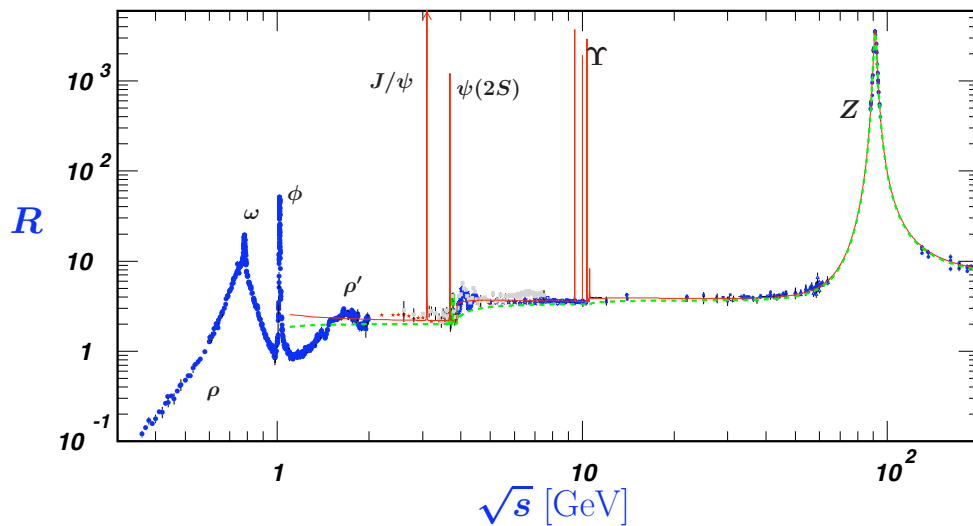
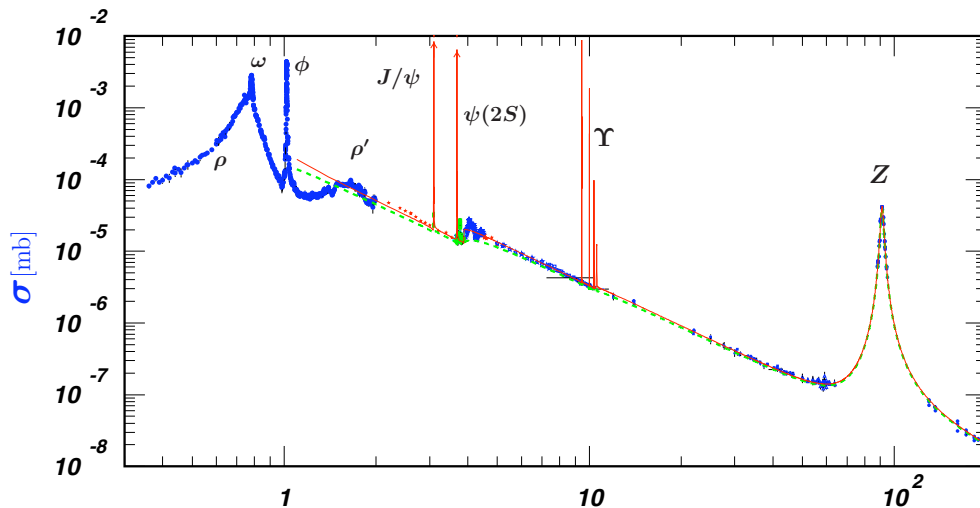
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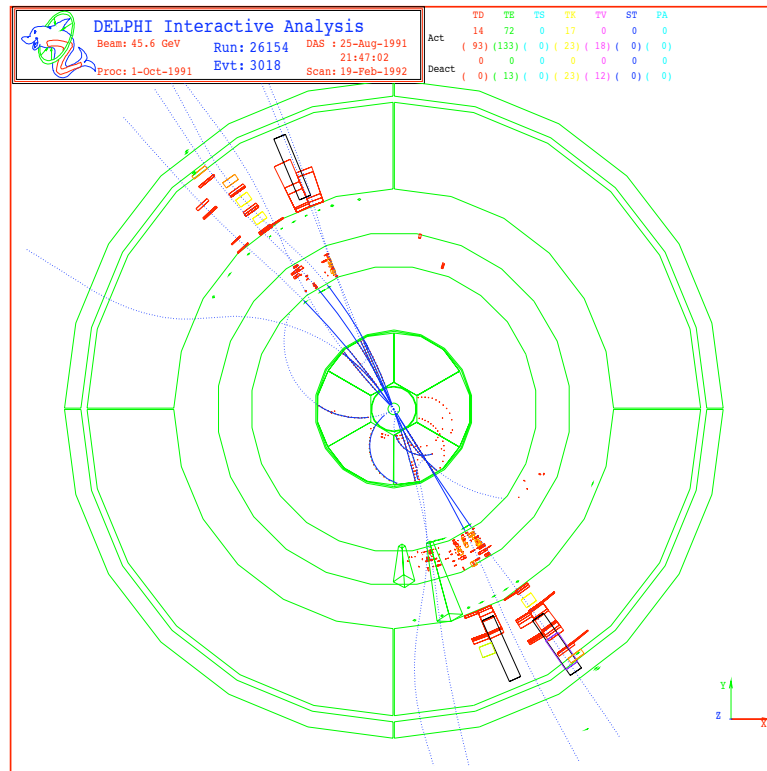
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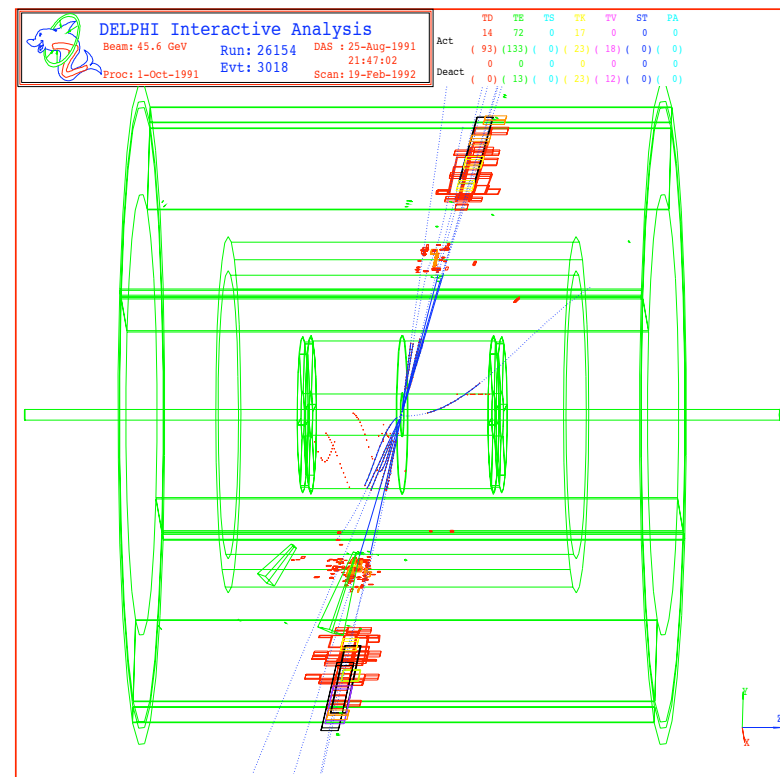
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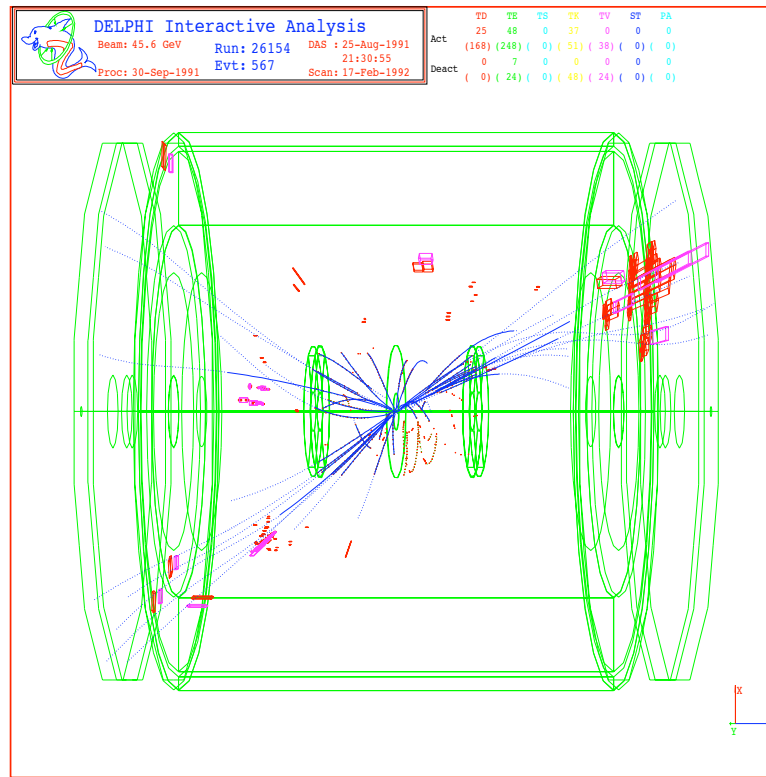


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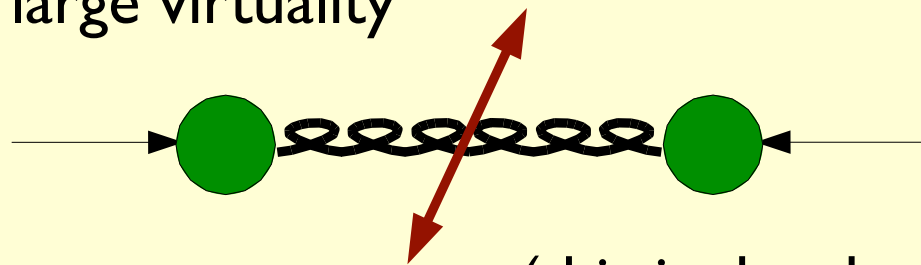


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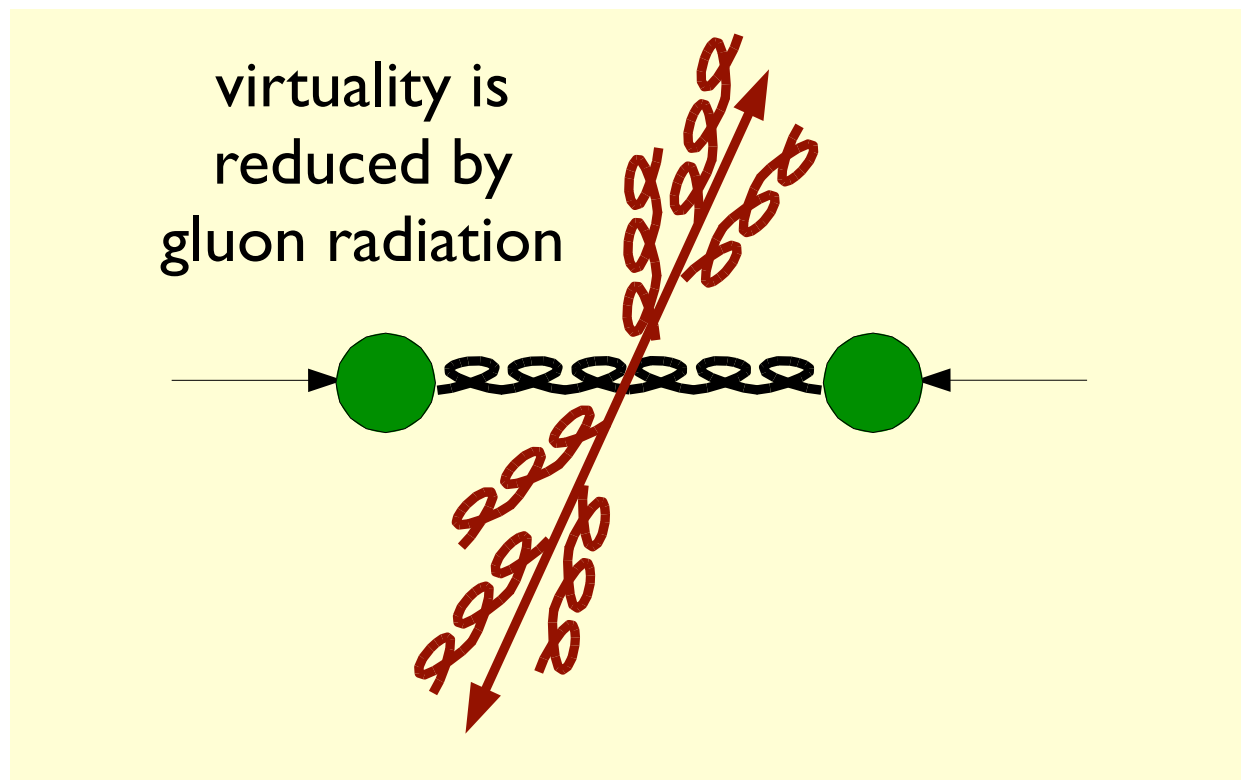
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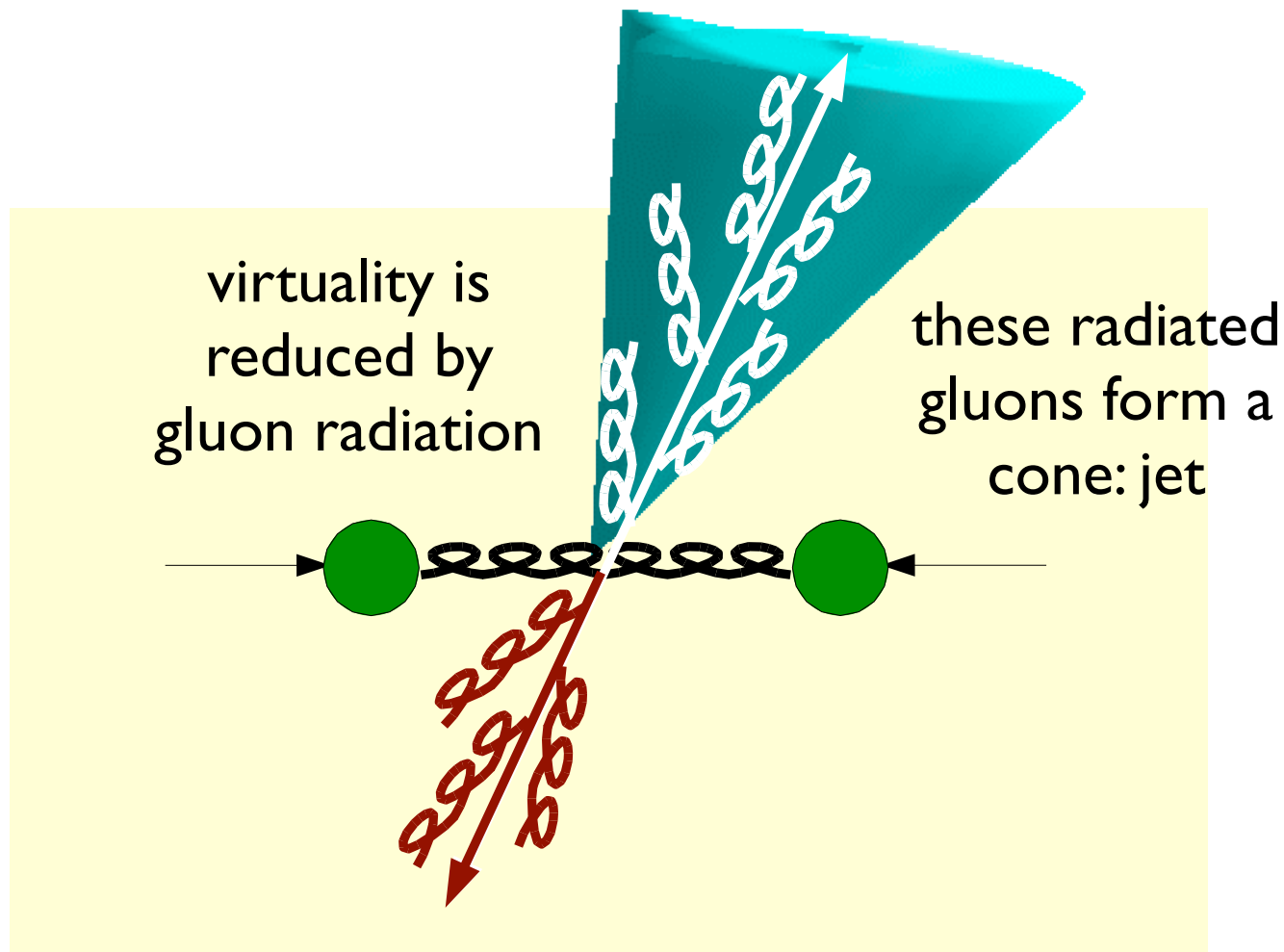


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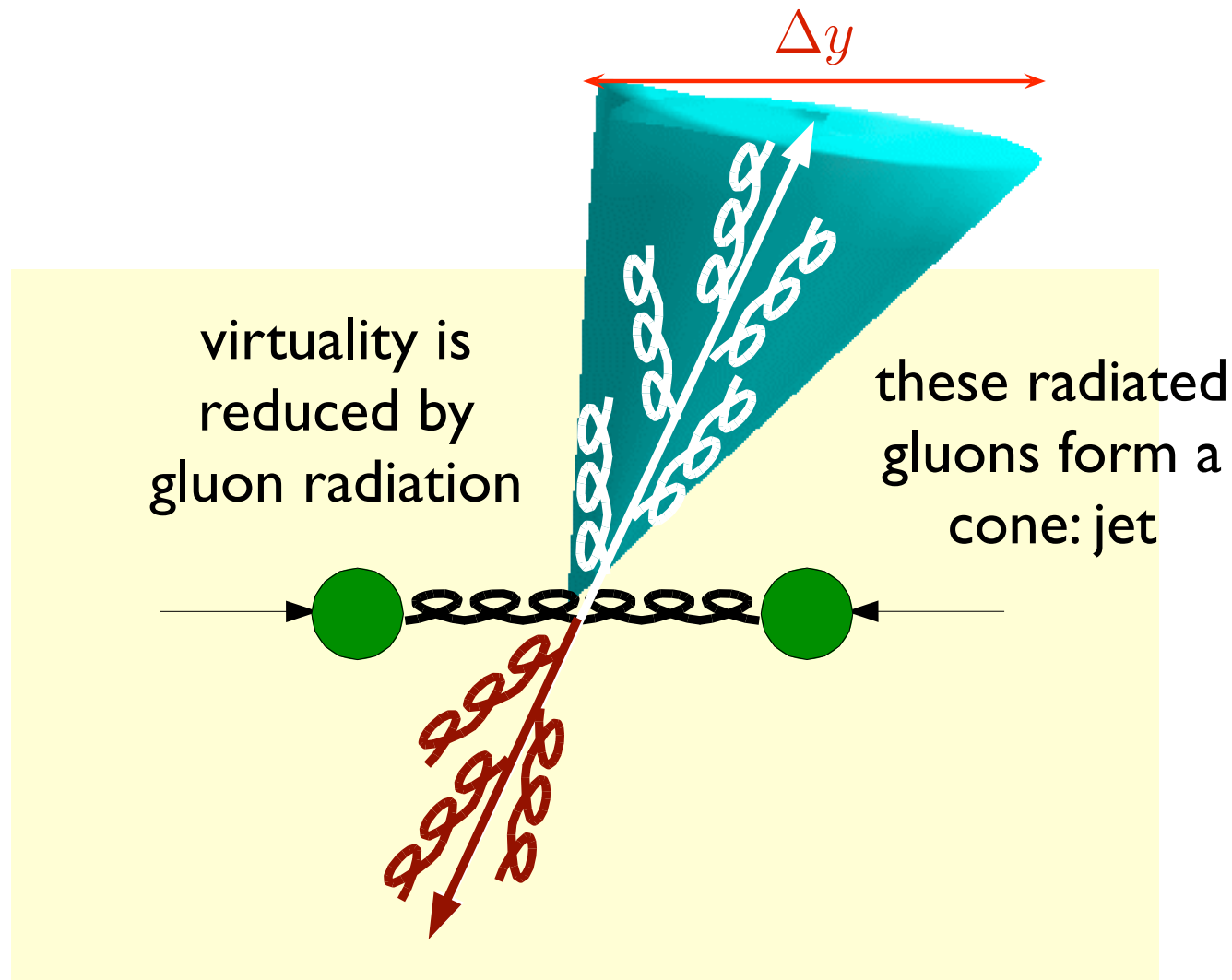
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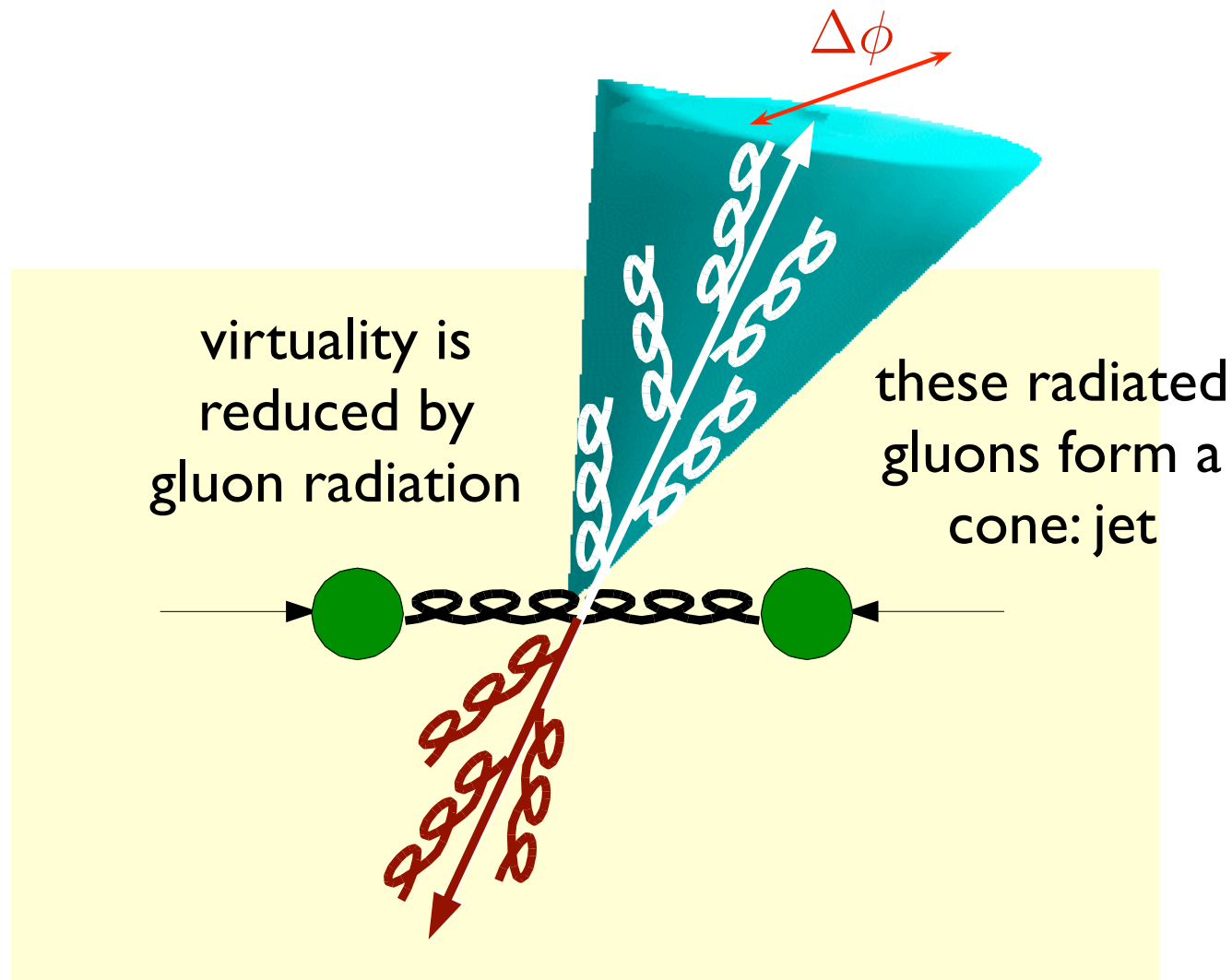
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Jet cross sections

- ⇒ A jet is a bunch of particles going into a given direction
- ⇒ Naively, the number of emitted gluons define the number of jets in the final state
- ⇒ This is essentially true, but the gluon emission is divergent

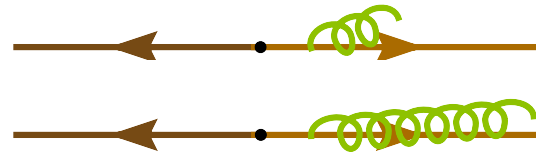
$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d^2\sigma^{q\bar{q}g}}{dx_q dx_{\bar{q}}} = C_F \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \frac{x_q^2 + x_{\bar{q}}^2}{(1-x_q)(1-x_{\bar{q}})}$$

- ⇒ Where are these singularities?

$$1 - x_q = x_{\bar{q}} \frac{E_g}{\sqrt{s}} (1 - \cos \theta_{\bar{q}g})$$

⇒ **Soft** $E_g/\sqrt{s} \rightarrow 0$

⇒ **Collinear** $\cos \theta_{\bar{q}g} \rightarrow 0$

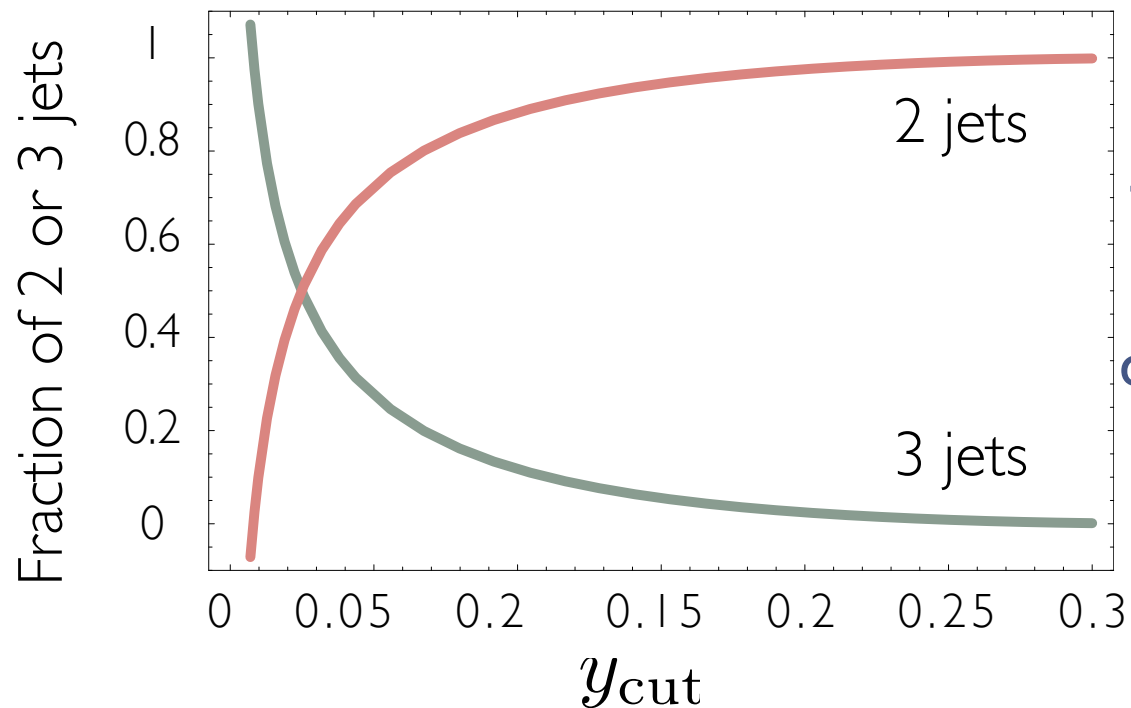


Jet definition

- ⇒ Several different definitions for jets exist - jet algorithms
 - ⇒ Example, define a minimum invariant mass of the parton pairs

$$\min\{(p_i + p_j)^2\} = \min\{2E_i E_j(1 - \theta_{ij})\} > y_{\text{cut}} s$$

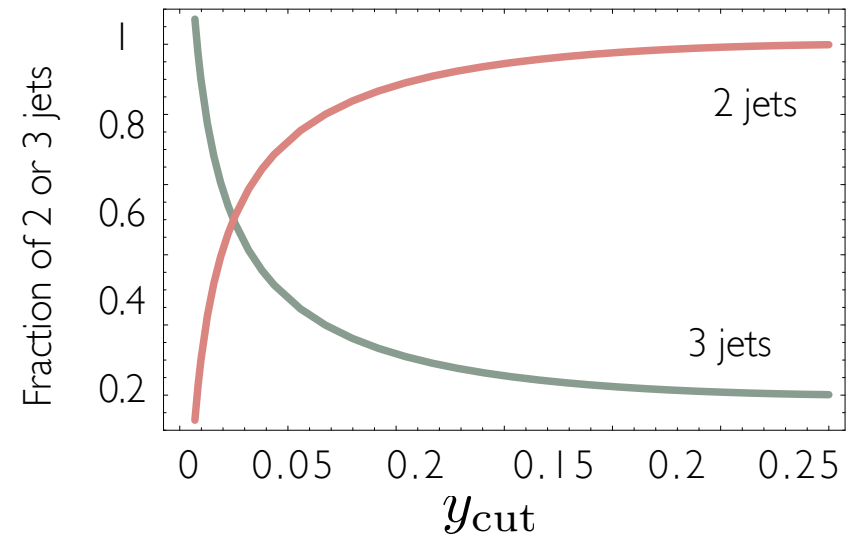
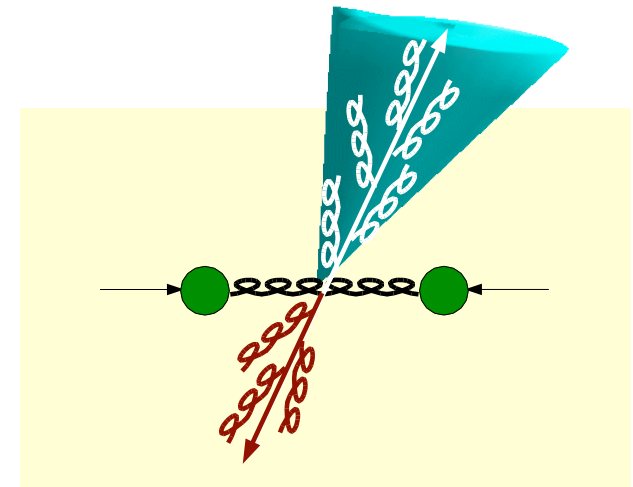
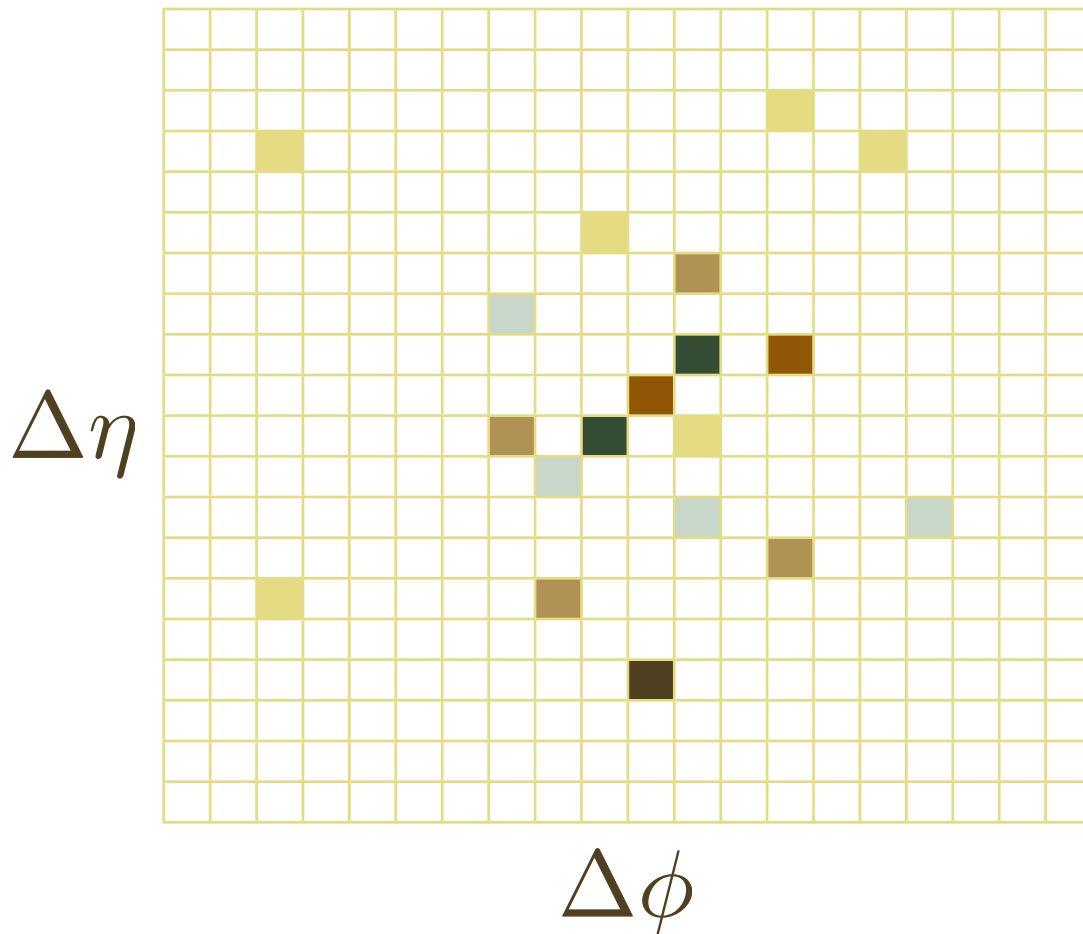
- ⇒ Integrating the cross section within these limits



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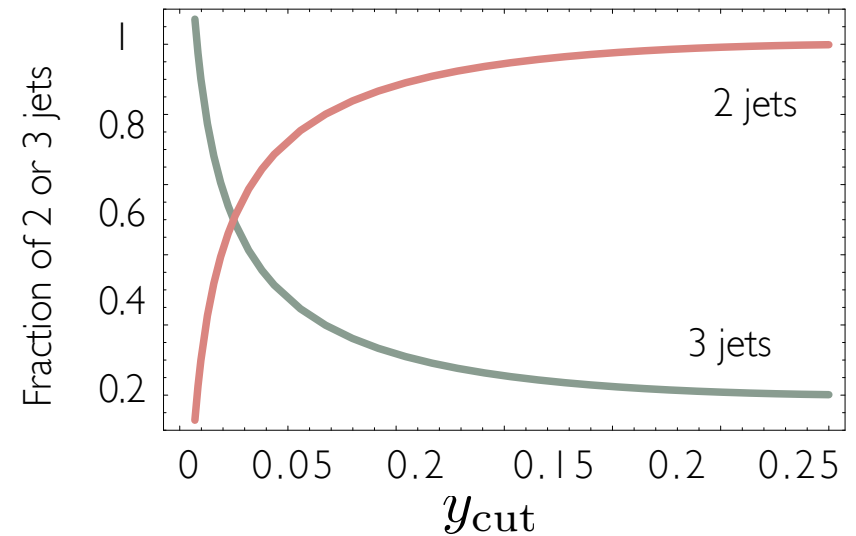
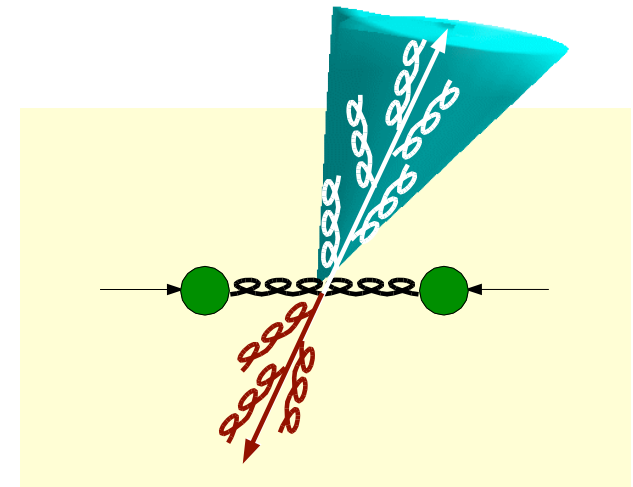
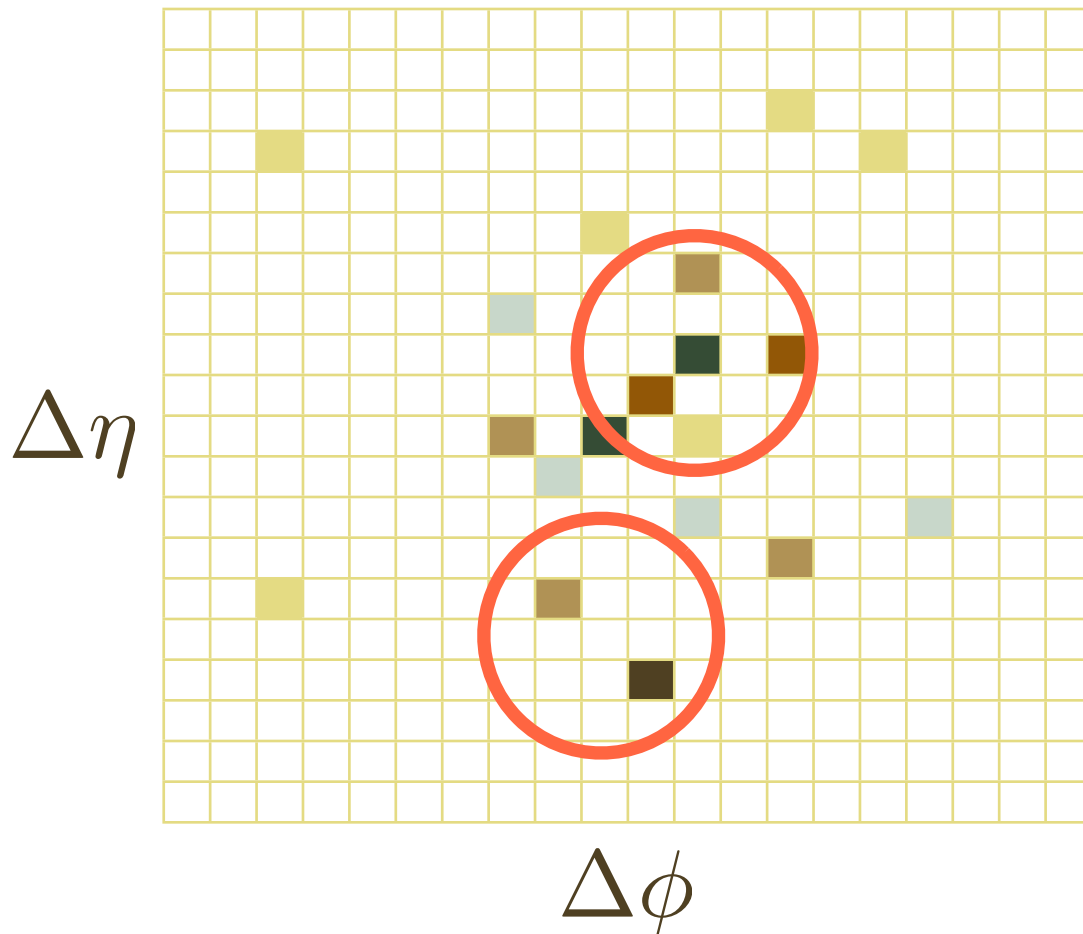


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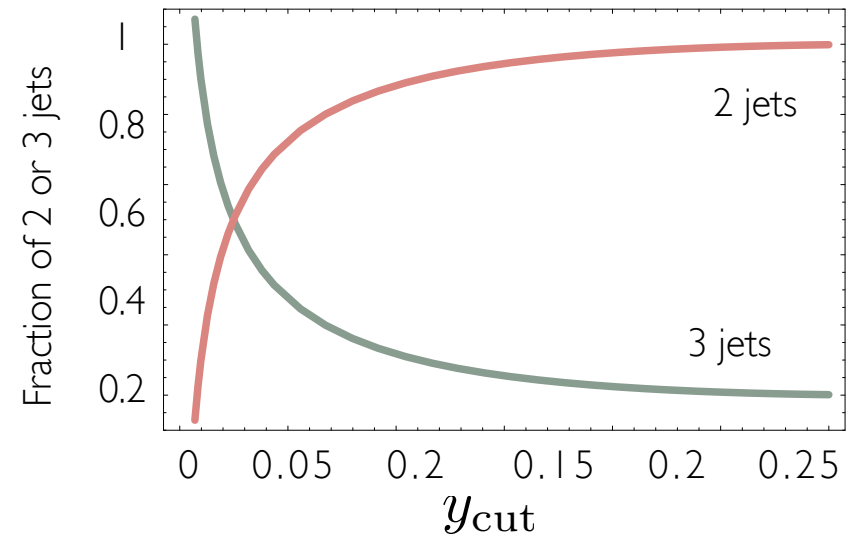
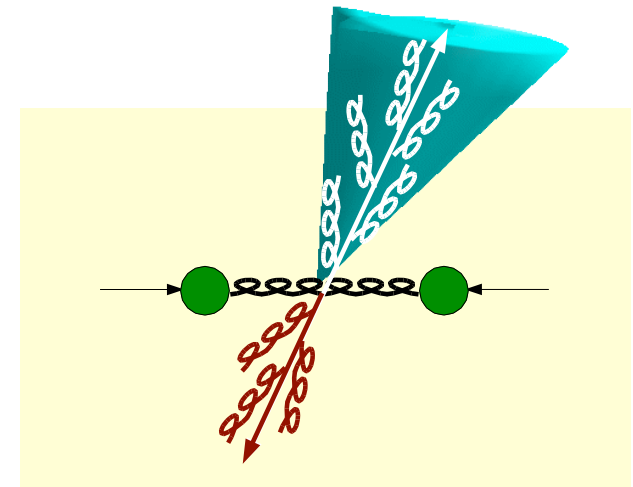
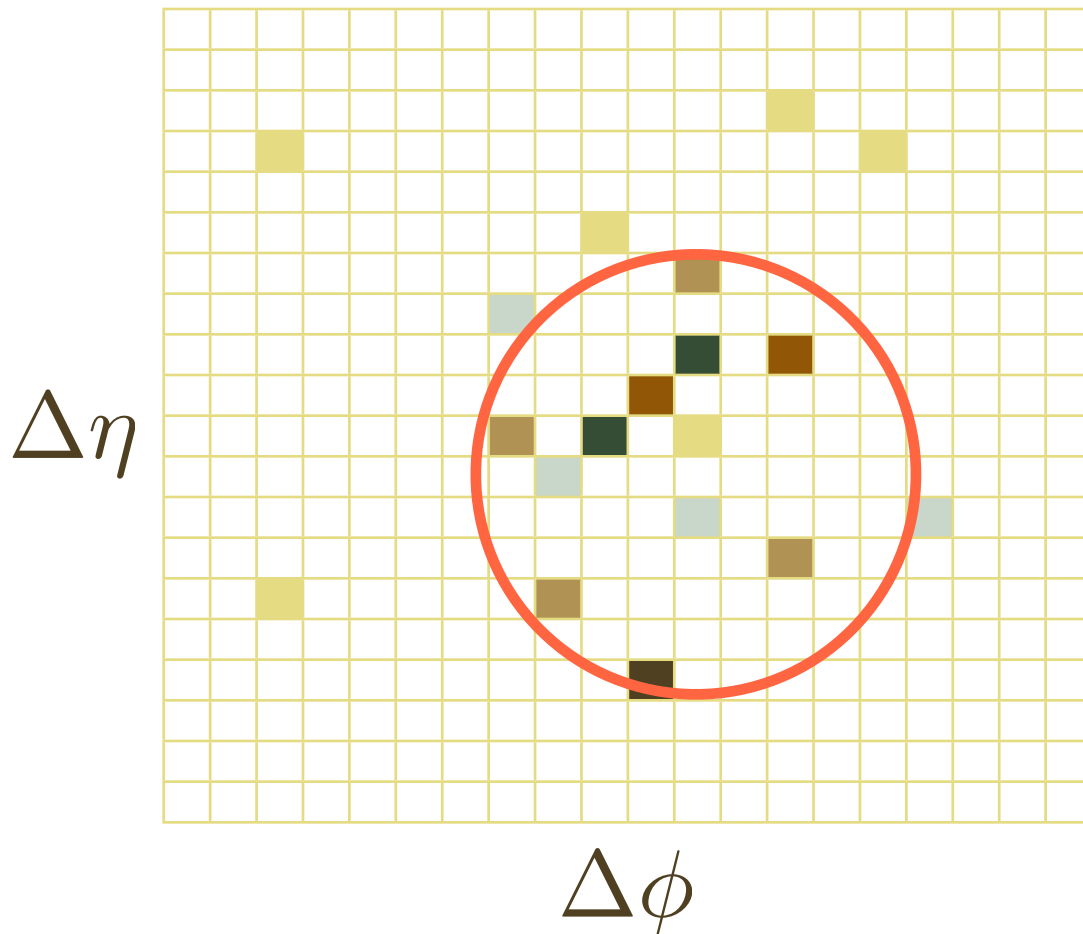


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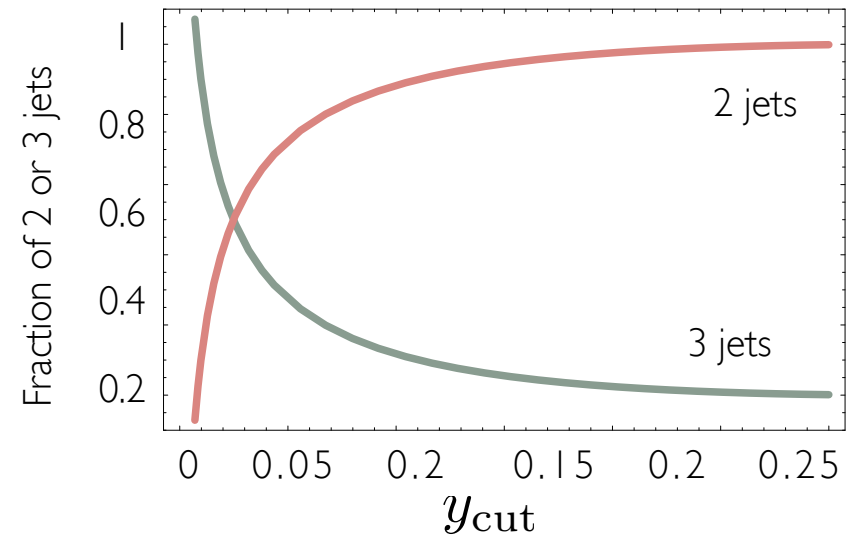
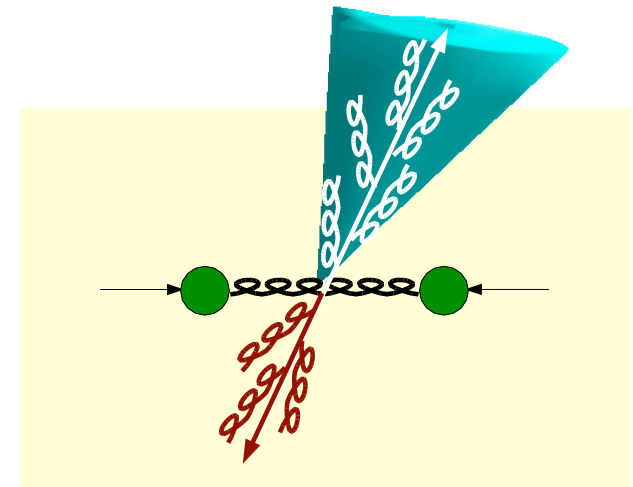
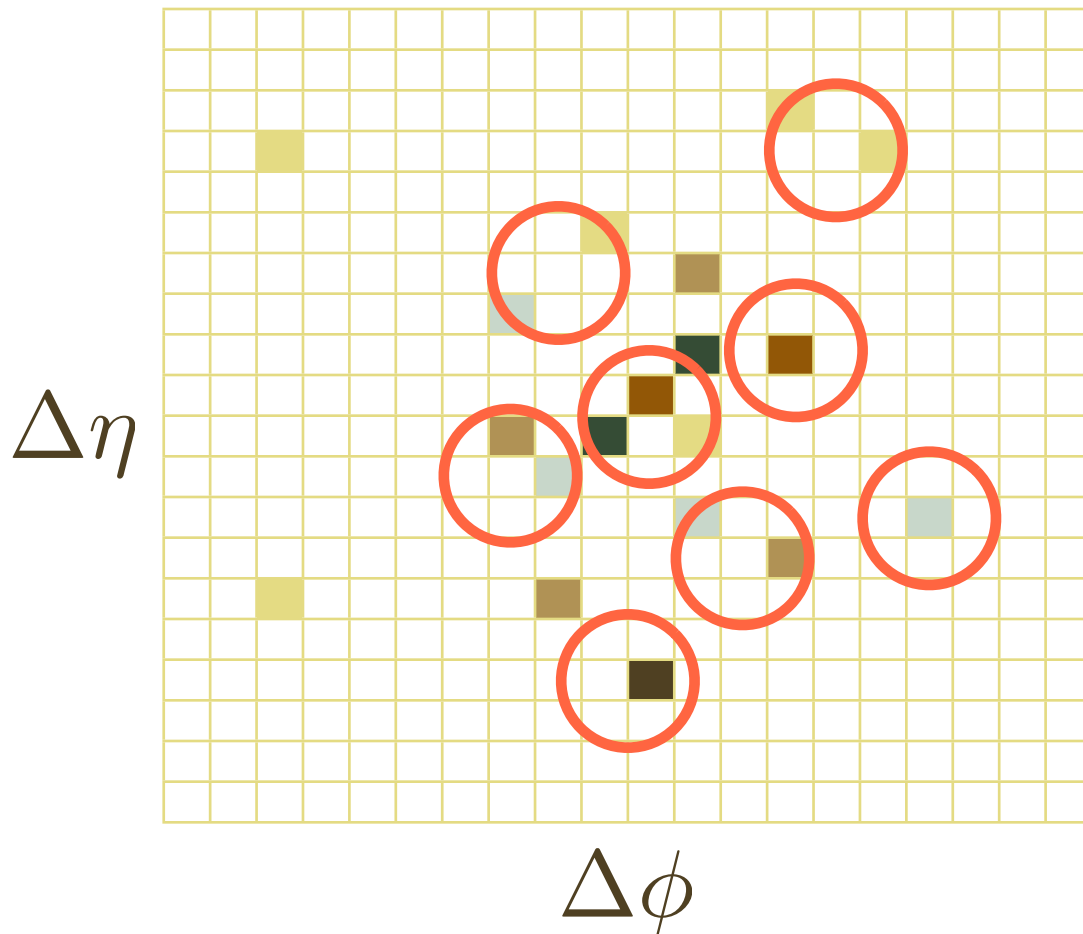


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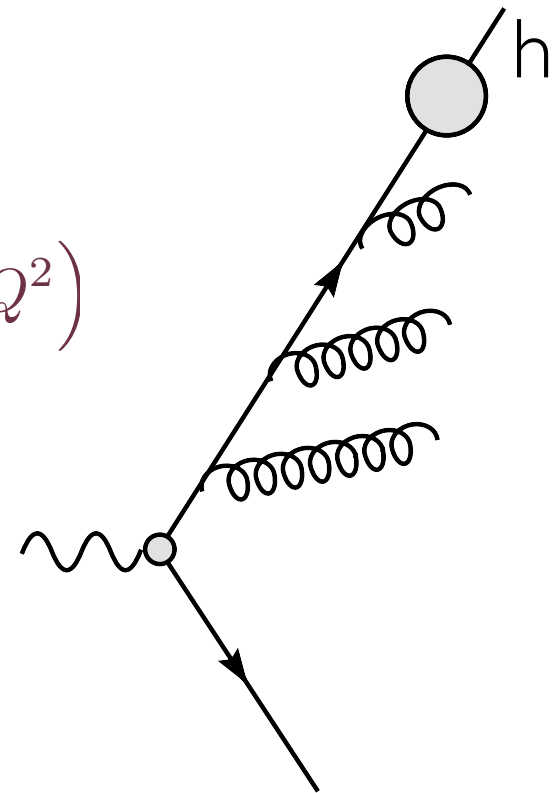
[More in David's lectures...]

Jet evolution

- ⇒ The type of divergences in DIS and jets are basically the same
 - ↘ The evolution of the jet can be described by DGLAP-like eqs.
- ⇒ Example: Fragmentation functions

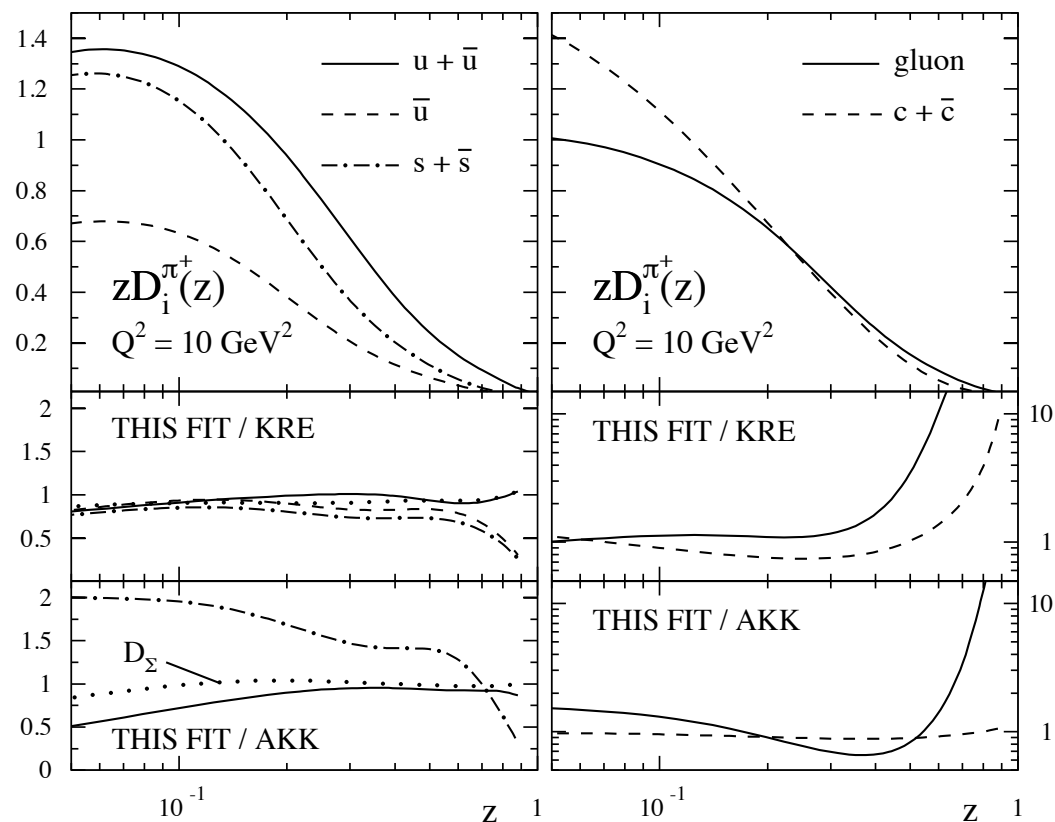
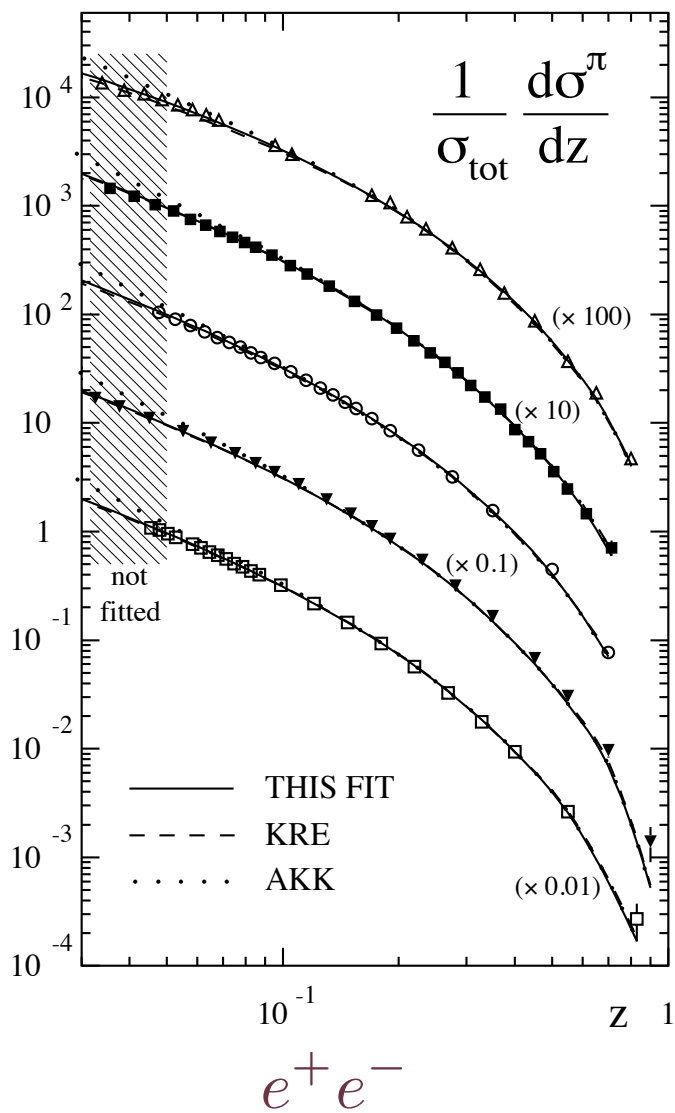
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Give the probability that a parton i produced in a hard process fragments into a hadron h with a fraction of momentum x



- ⇒ Non-perturbative quantities (hadronization) and universal

Fragmentation functions



[de Florian, Sassot, Stratmann 2007]

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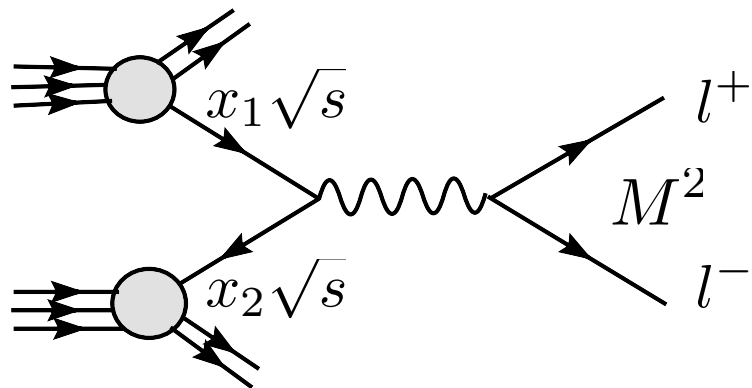
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Some specific examples...

Lepton-pair production (Drell-Yan)



⇒ The perturbative cross section for the partonic process

$$\sigma(q_i \bar{q}_i \rightarrow l^+ l^-) = \frac{1}{N_C} e_i^2 \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{3\hat{s}}$$

⇒ where $\hat{s} = x_1 x_2 s = M^2$

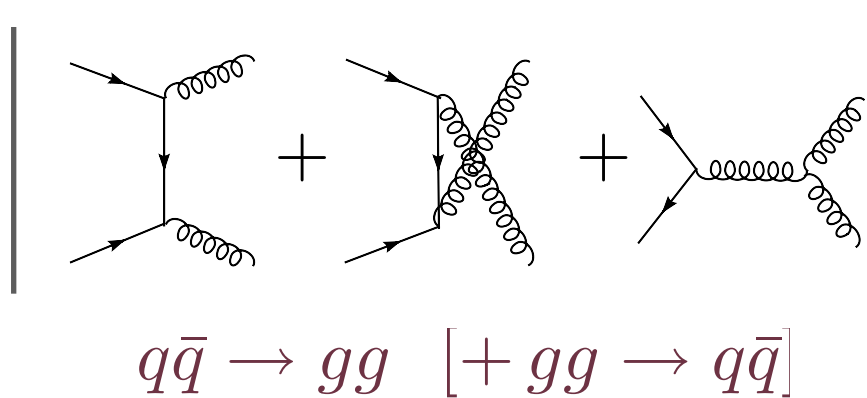
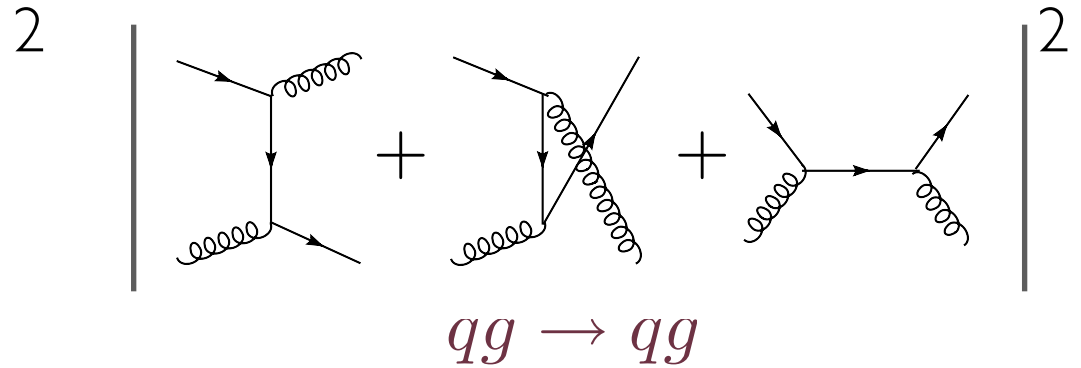
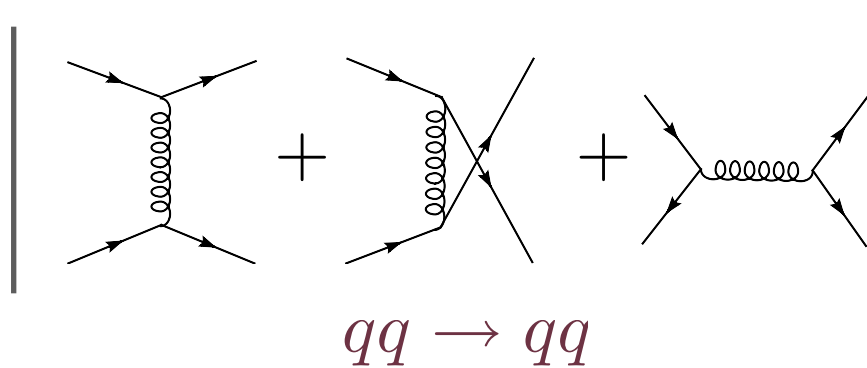
⇒ Invariant mass and rapidity of the pair determine quarks' kinematics

$$x_1 = \frac{M}{\sqrt{s}} e^y \quad x_2 = \frac{M}{\sqrt{s}} e^{-y}$$

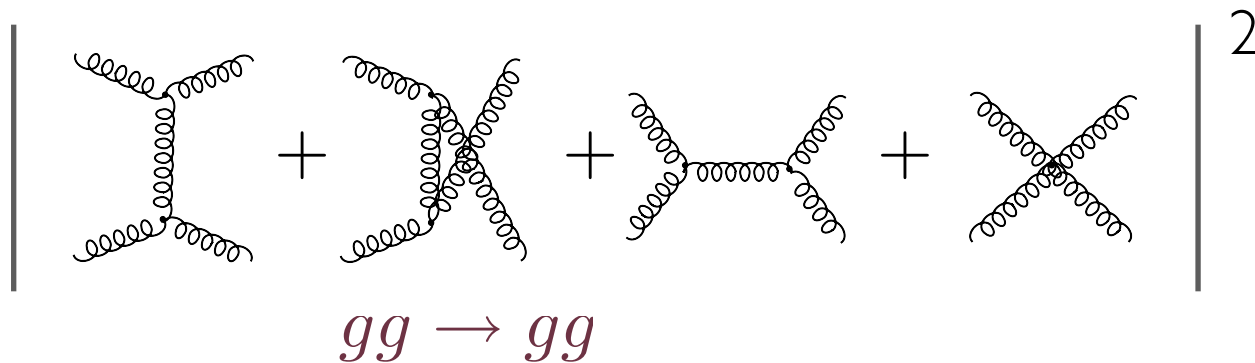
⇒ So, the factorized cross section is simply

$$\frac{d^2\sigma^{DY}}{dM^2 dy} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{9M^4} \sum_i e_i^2 [x_1 q_i(x_1) x_2 \bar{q}(x_2) + (q \leftrightarrow \bar{q})]$$

Jet production

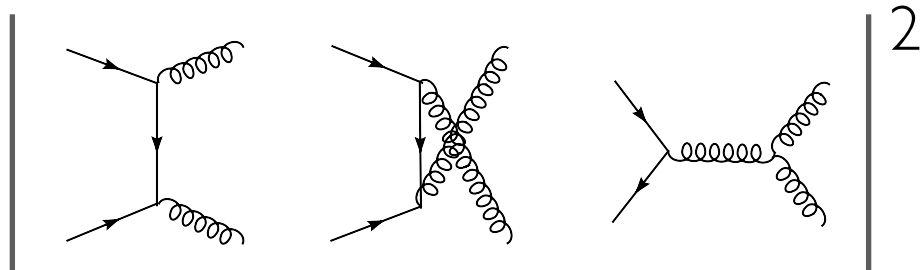


Lowest order perturbative processes
 → To be convoluted with PDFs



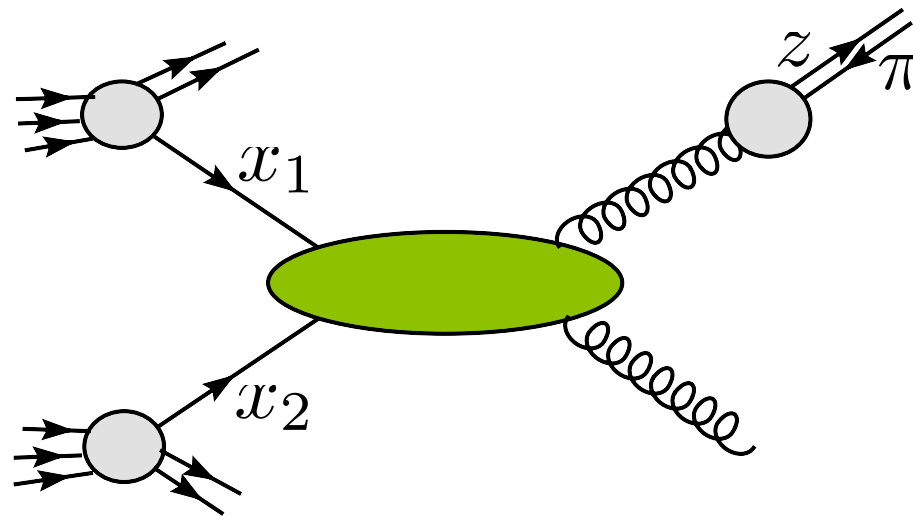
One example

⇒ $q\bar{q}$ contribution to the inclusive high-pt pion production



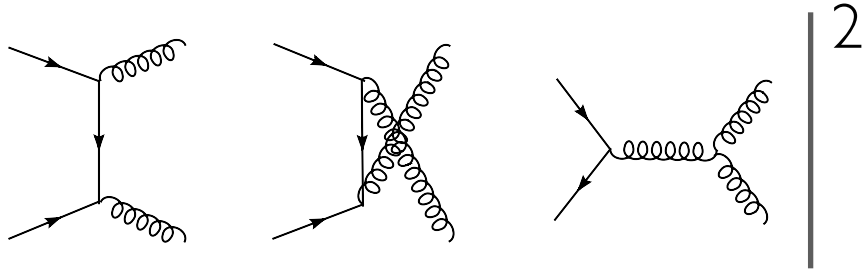
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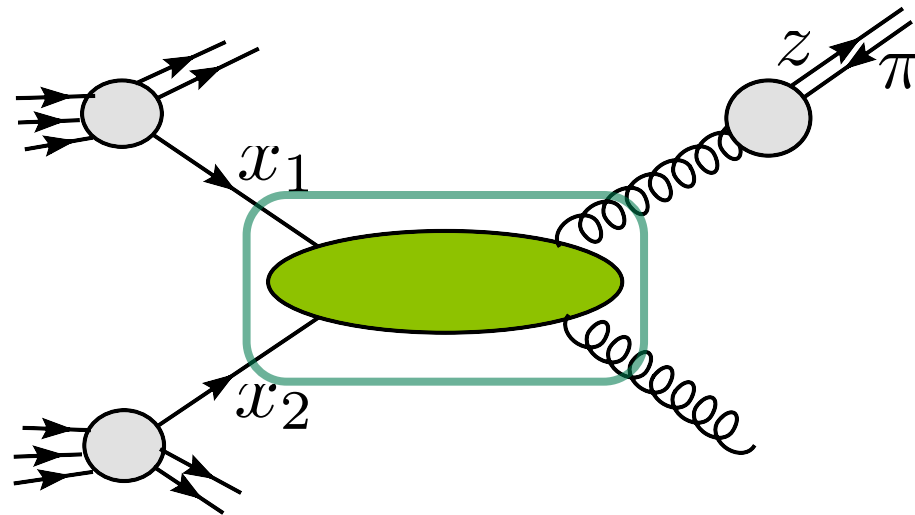
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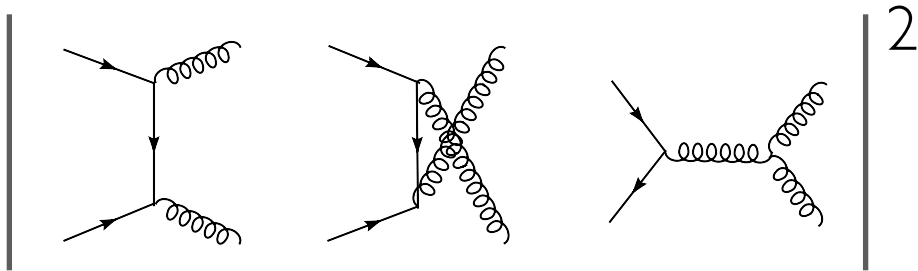
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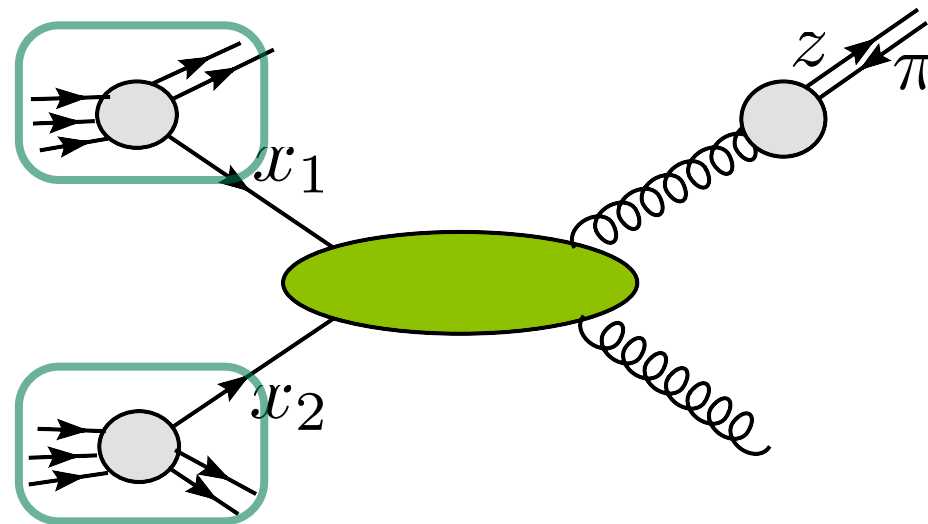
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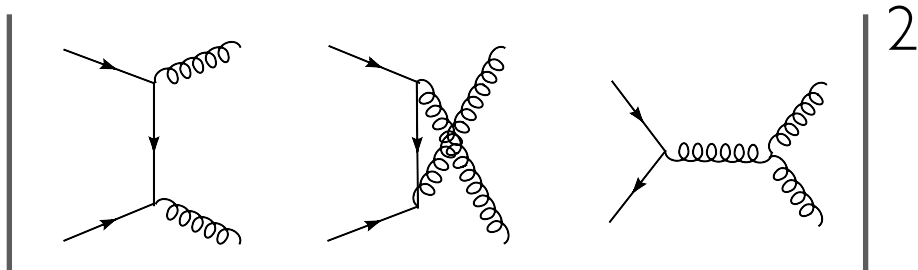
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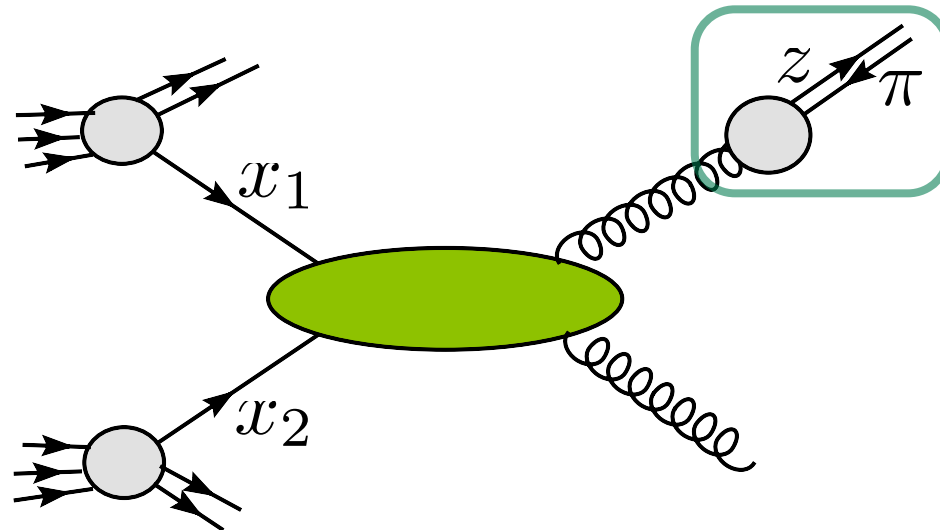
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Everything together

⇒ 2 → 2 kinematics

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \log \left[\frac{E + p_z}{E - p_z} \right]$$

⇒ So that the fraction of momenta

$$x_{1,2} = \frac{q_T}{\sqrt{s}} (e^{\pm y_1} + e^{\pm y_2})$$

⇒ With the initial parton momentum

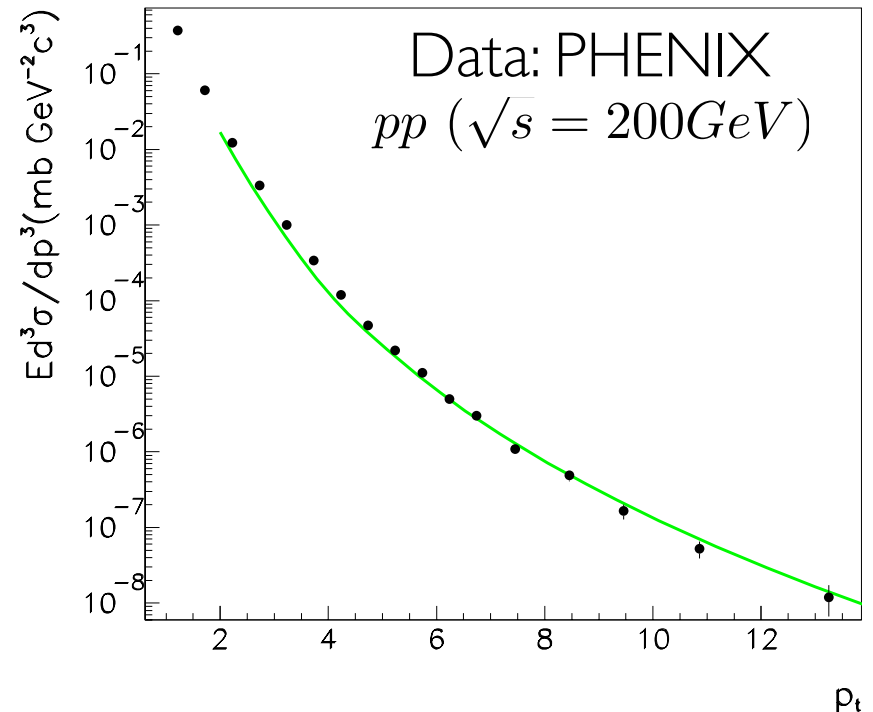
$$q_T = \frac{p_T}{z}$$

⇒ Two integrals needed:

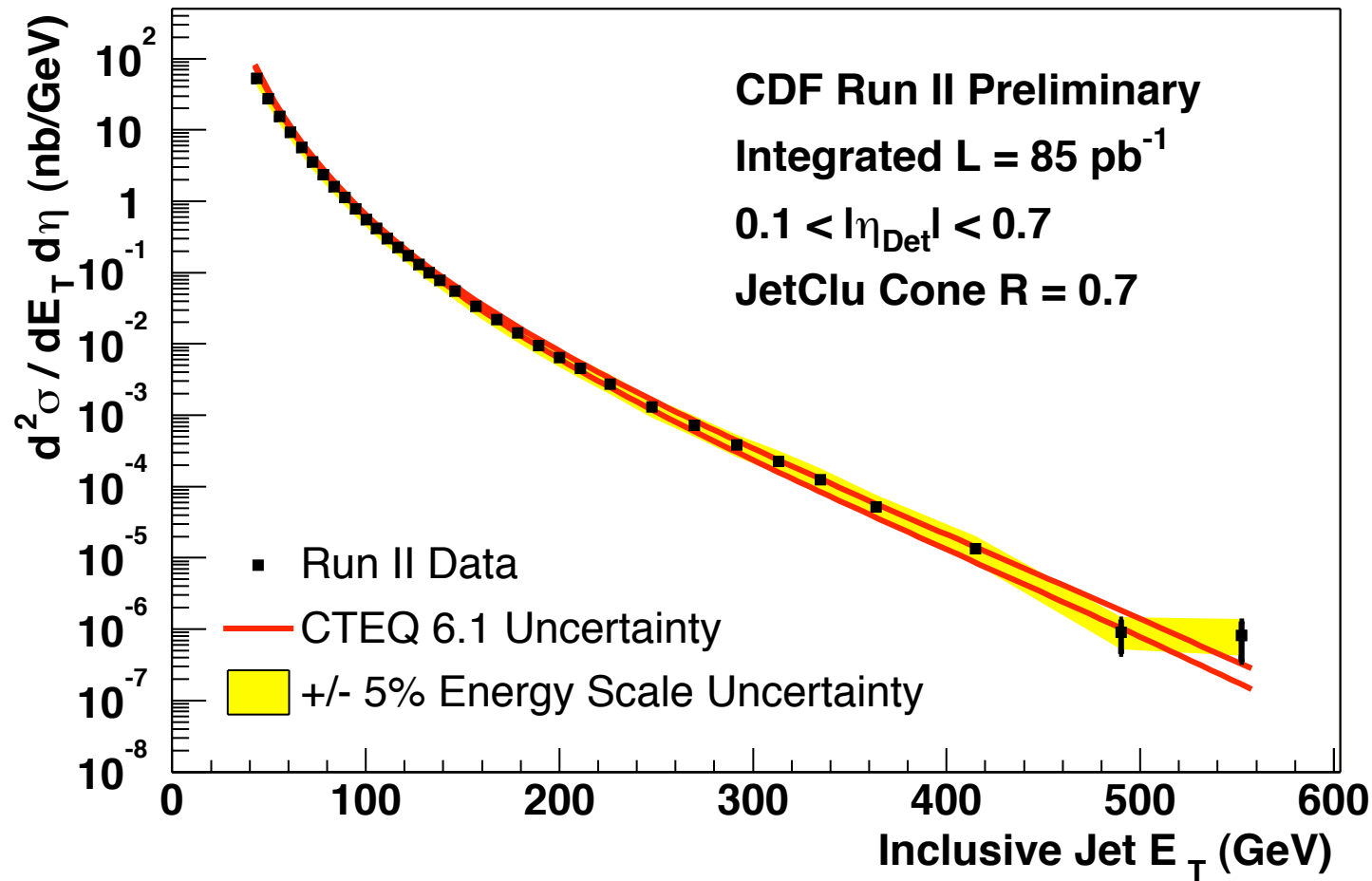
↘ Fraction of momentum in fragmentation $z \rightarrow \langle z \rangle \simeq 0.5 \div 0.7$

↘ Unobserved particle: x_2

[Eskola, Honkanen 2002]



Jets at the Tevatron



⇒ At the LHC abundant jets will be measured also in PbPb

Global fits

Global fits to proton PDFs

⇒ How the PDFs are extracted from data?

↘ Non-perturbative quantities. We cannot compute them, just evolution with DGLAP

⇒ Strategy:

↘ Fitting functions for PDFs at some initial scale $Q_0^2 \simeq 1 \text{ GeV}^2$

$$xf(x, Q_0^2) = A(1-x)^\beta x^\alpha (1 + \epsilon\sqrt{x} + \gamma x)$$

↘ $A, \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \epsilon$ are free parameters

↘ Use the sum rules to fix some parameters

↘ Compute $f(x, Q^2)$ using DGLAP at a given order

↘ Compute observables (DIS, jets, ...) to fit the parameters by minimizing

$$\chi^2(\{z\}) = \sum_i \left[\frac{D_i - T_i(\{z\})}{\sigma_i} \right]^2$$

Global fits for nuclear PDFs

⇒ Use the same approach as for free protons

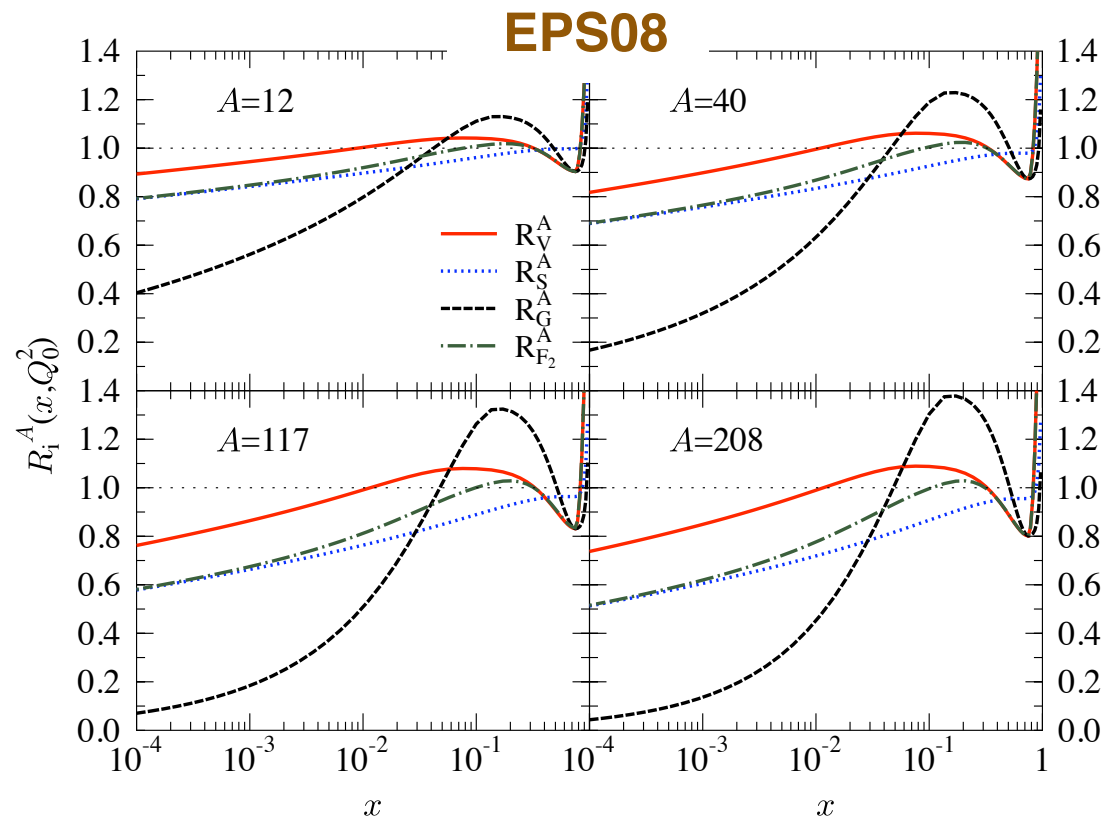
↘ Data is limited

↘ Usual solution: parametrize **ratios** of nuclear over proton PDFs

$$R_i^A(x, Q^2) = \frac{f_i^A(x, Q^2)}{f_i^p(x, Q^2)}$$

[Eskola, Paukkunen, Salgado 2008]

Other nPDF sets:
EKS98, HKM, HKN,
de Florian-Sassot



⇒ Fix the essential benchmark for other medium effects

Hard probes to study the medium properties

Hard probes in heavy-ion collisions

- ⇒ SPS $\sqrt{s} = 20$ GeV ($Q \sim 1$ GeV) → marginal access to HP
- ⇒ RHIC $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV ($Q \sim 10$ GeV) → access to HP
- ⇒ LHC $\sqrt{s} = 5500$ GeV ($Q \gtrsim 100$ GeV) → HP and QCD evolution

$$\sigma^{pp \rightarrow h} = f_p(x_1, Q^2) \otimes f_p(x_2, Q^2) \otimes \underbrace{\sigma(x_1, x_2, Q^2)}_{\text{RHIC}} \otimes D(z, Q^2) + \left(\frac{1}{Q^2}\right)^n$$

LHC
RHIC
SPS

- ⇒ Partonic process happens in a very short time $t \sim 1/Q$
- ⇒ The extension of the medium modifies the long-distance terms
 - ↘ $f_A(x, Q^2); D(z, Q^2)$

A conceptually simple example, J/Ψ suppression

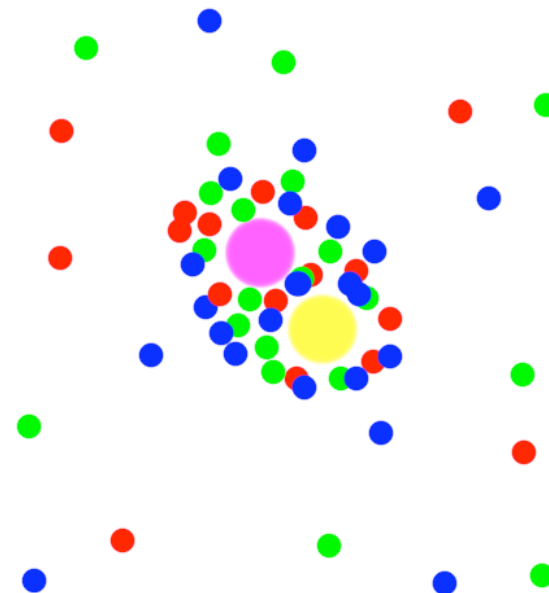
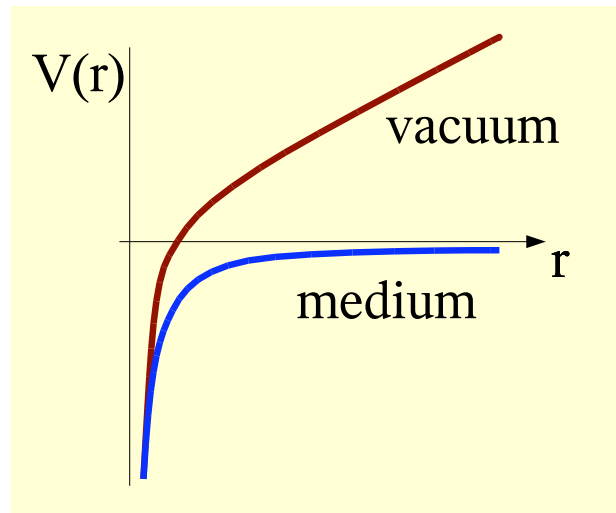
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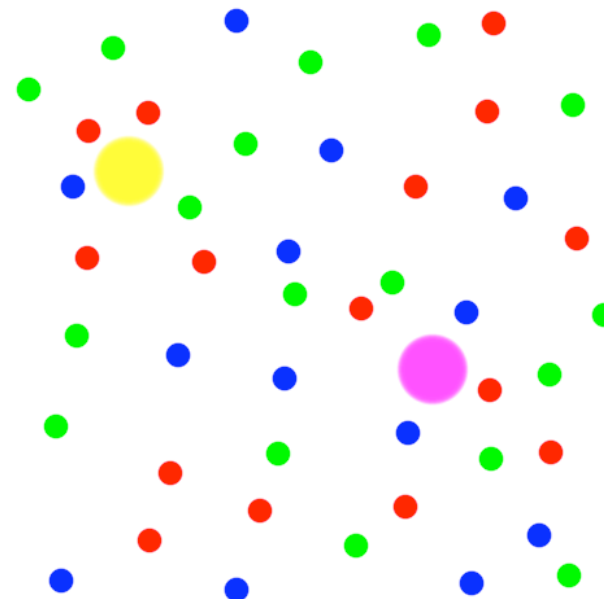
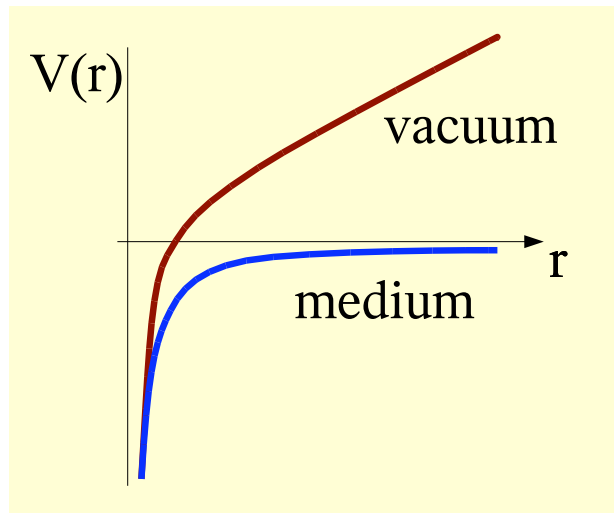
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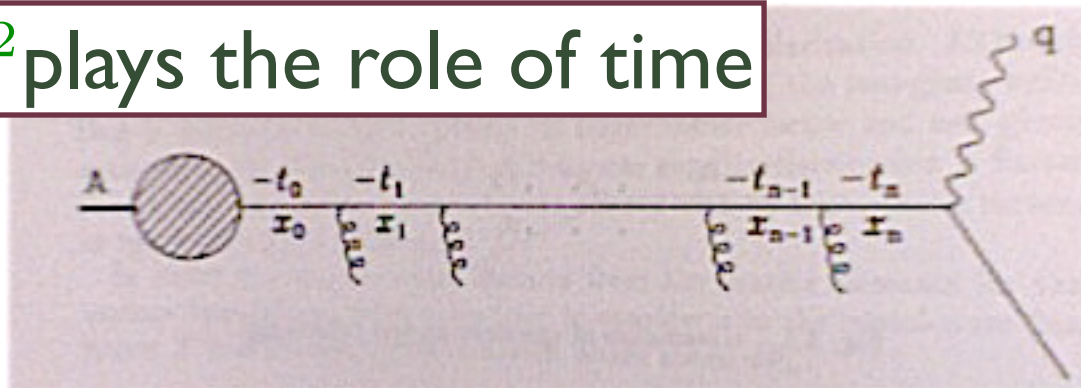
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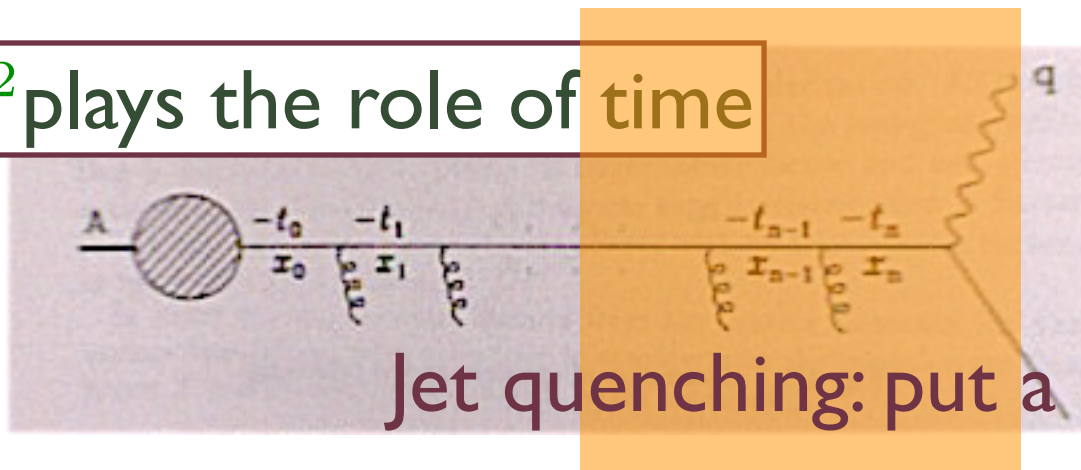
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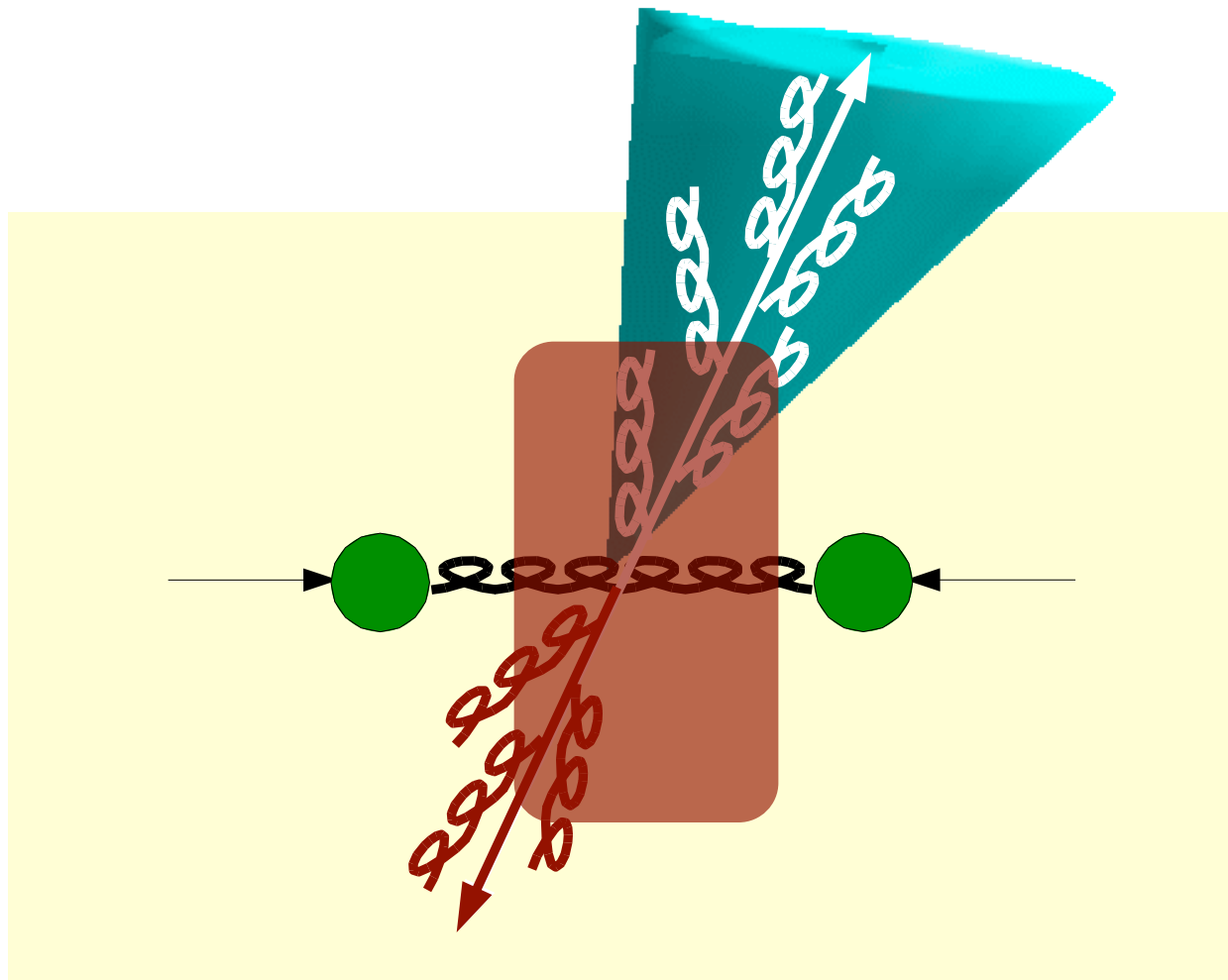
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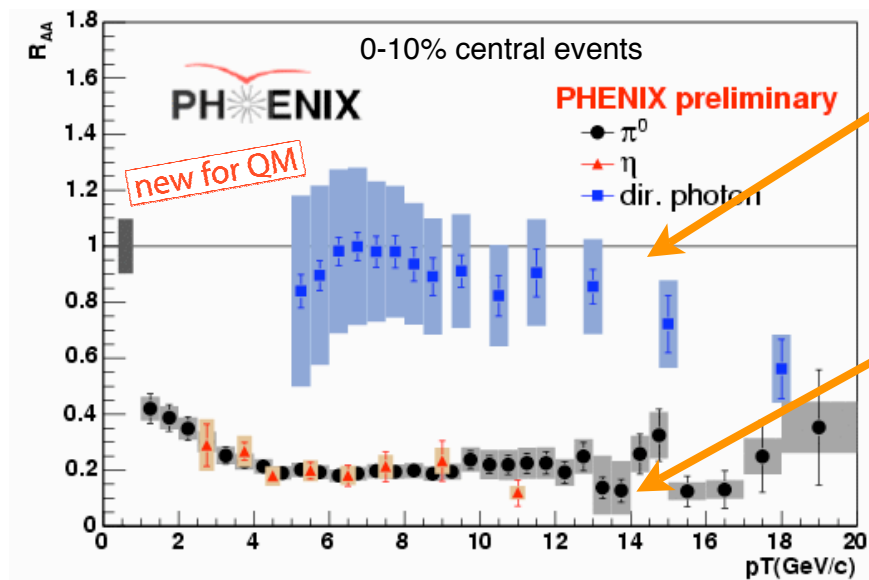
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What happens when this evolution takes place
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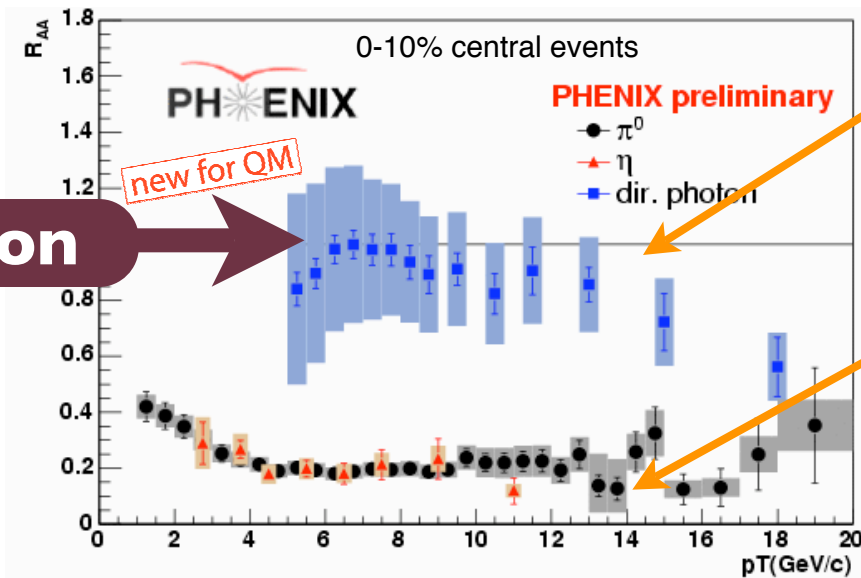
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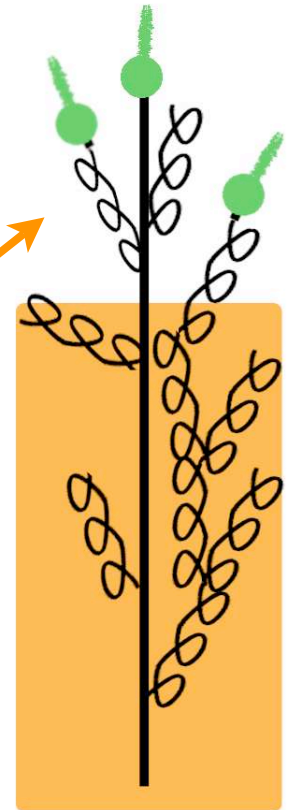
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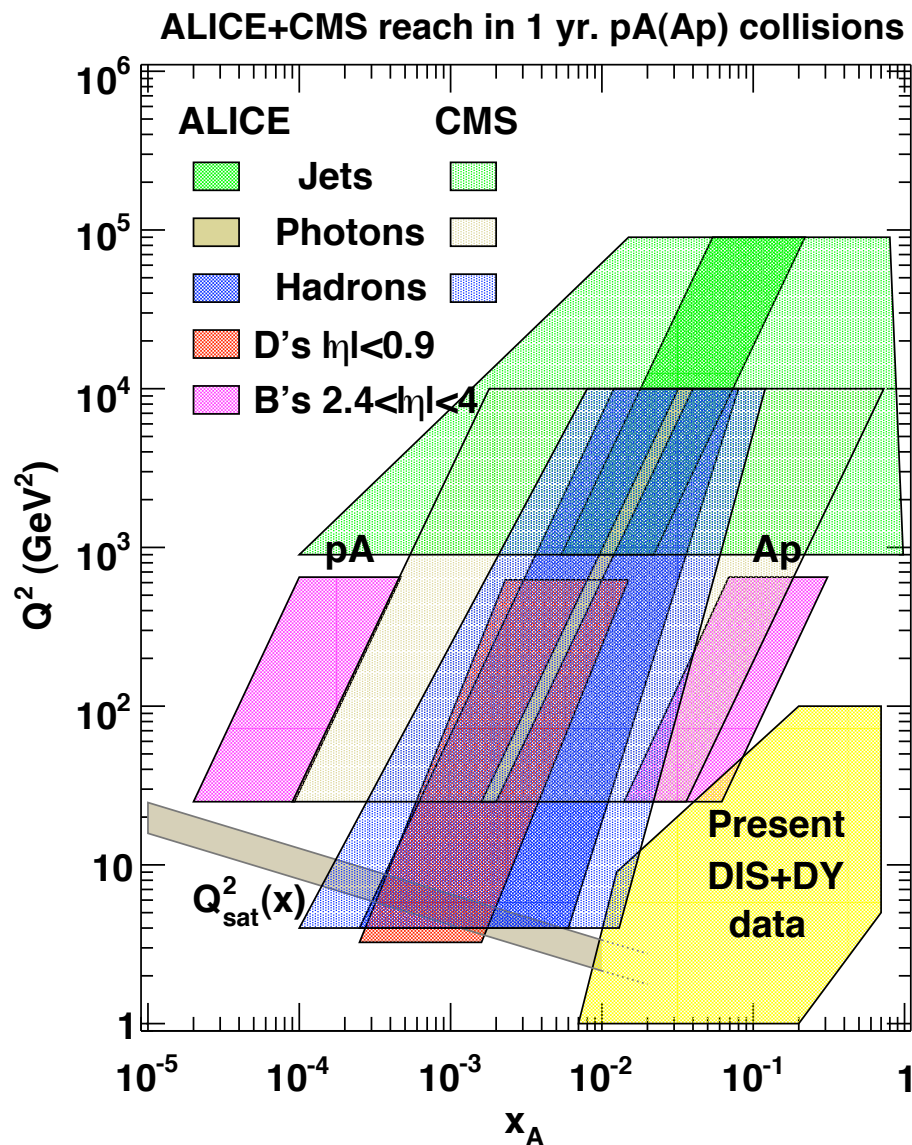
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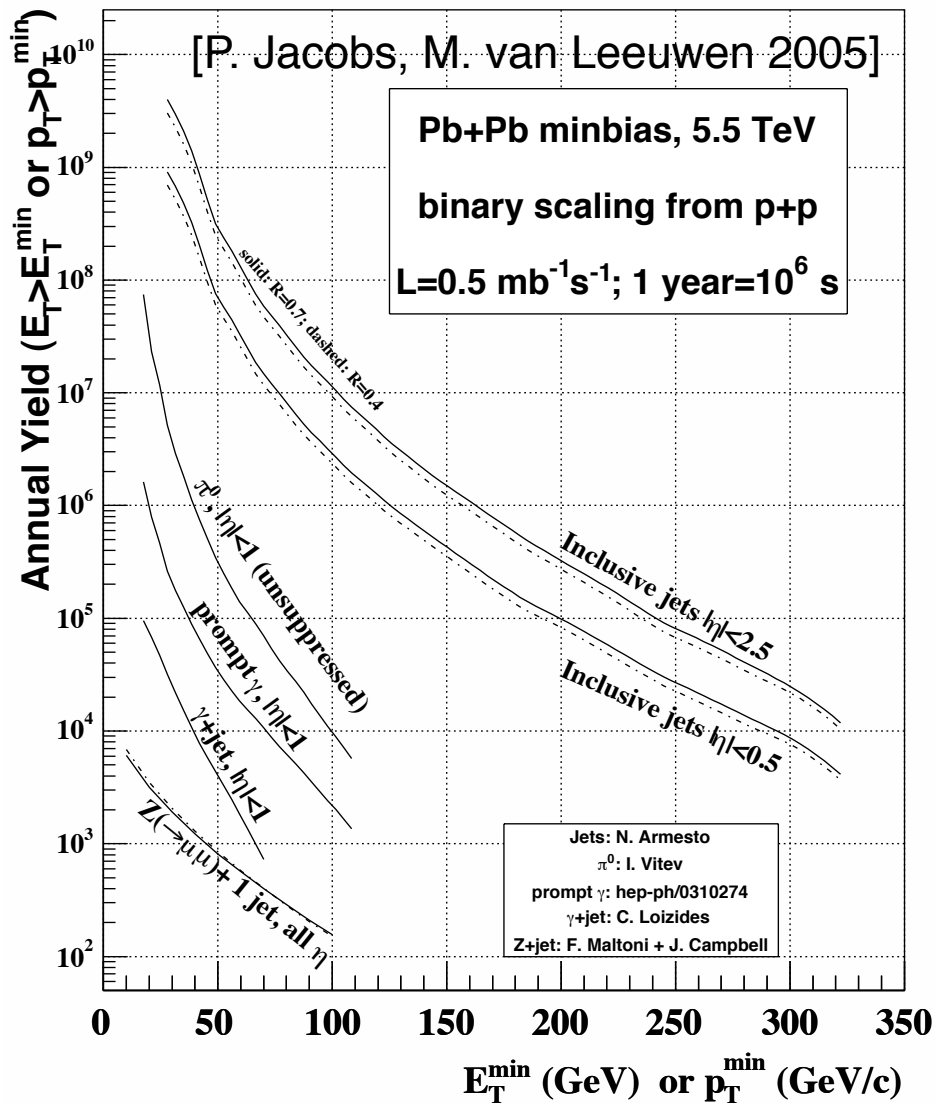
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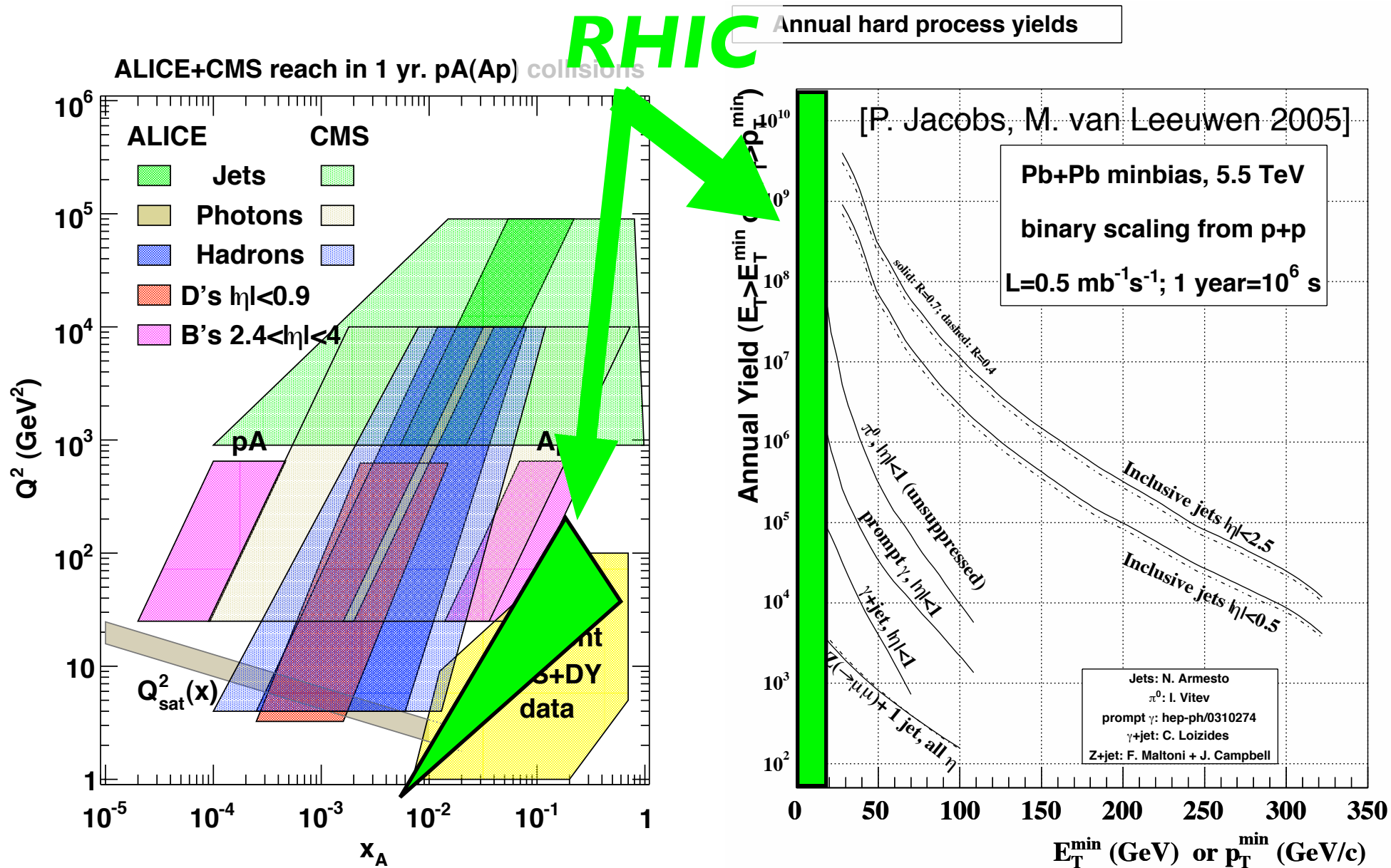
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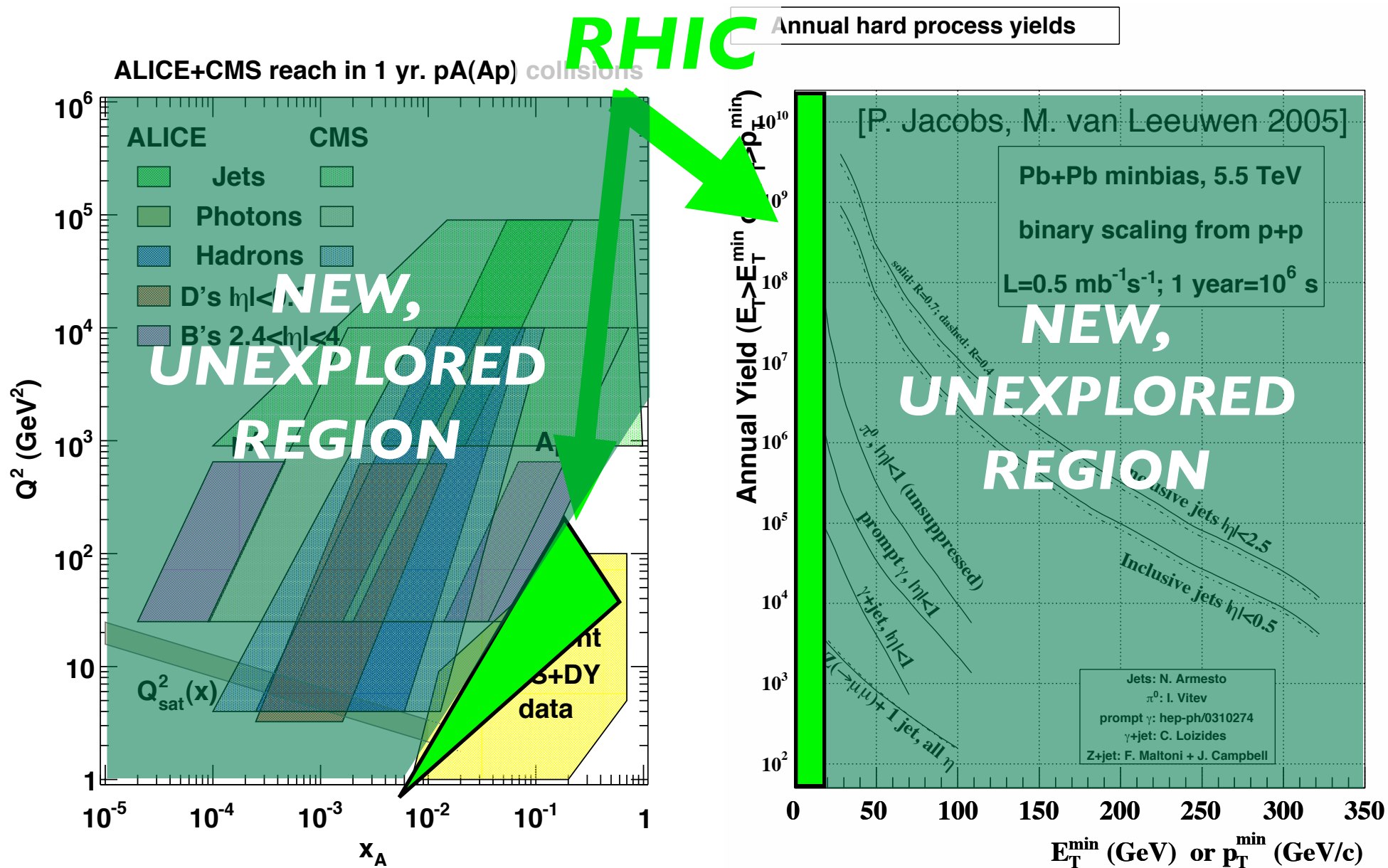
Annual hard process yields



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Summary

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 - ↘ Evolution of parton distribution functions PDF
 - ↘ Jet structures
- ⇒ Hadronic cross sections present a factorization between long and short distance contributions
 - ↘ PDFs and FF are universal
- ⇒ Hard processes are excellent probes of the medium formed in heavy ion collisions
 - ↘ Computable in pQCD
 - ↘ Framework to compute medium-effects (jet quenching)
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