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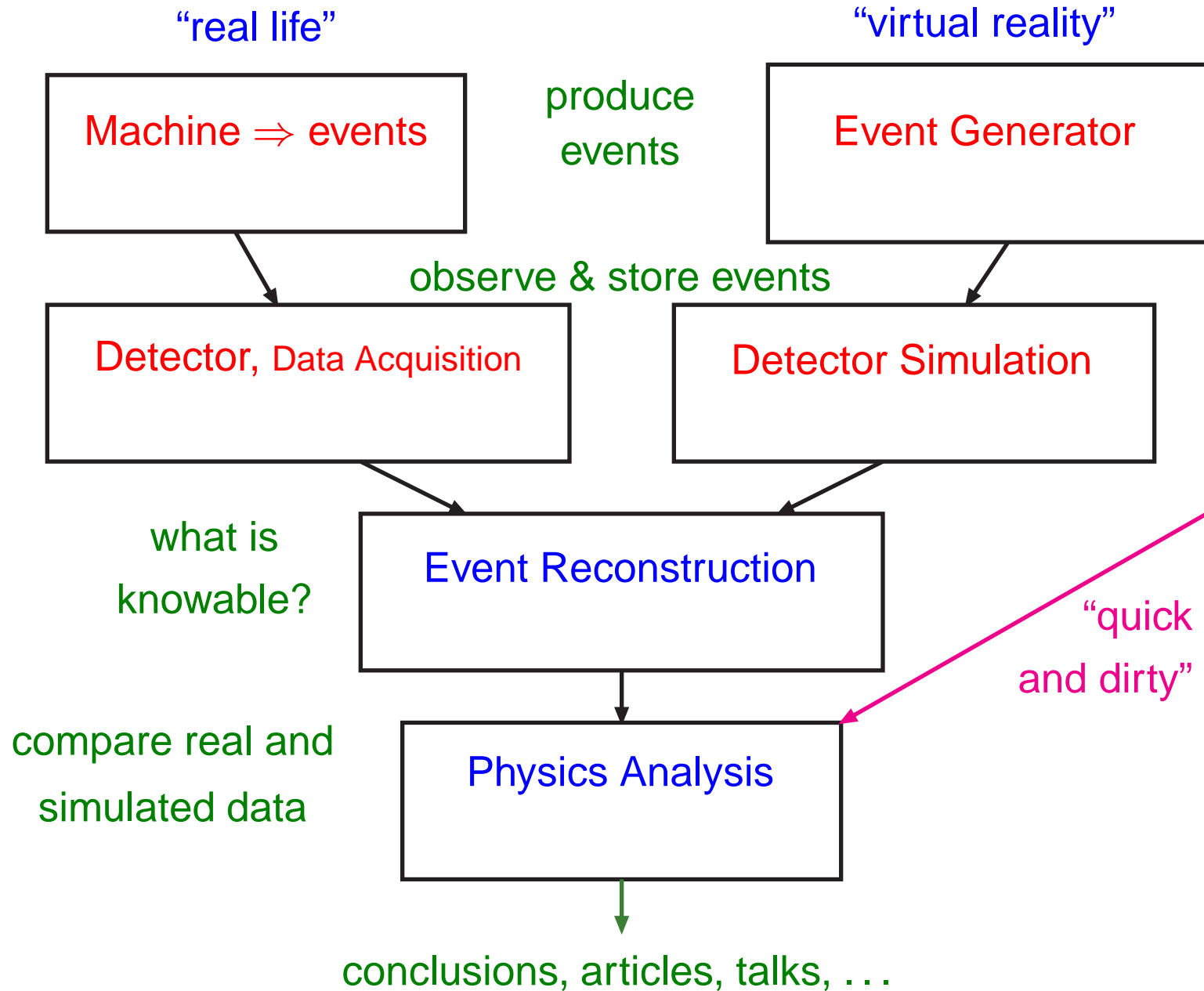
Monte Carlo Tools

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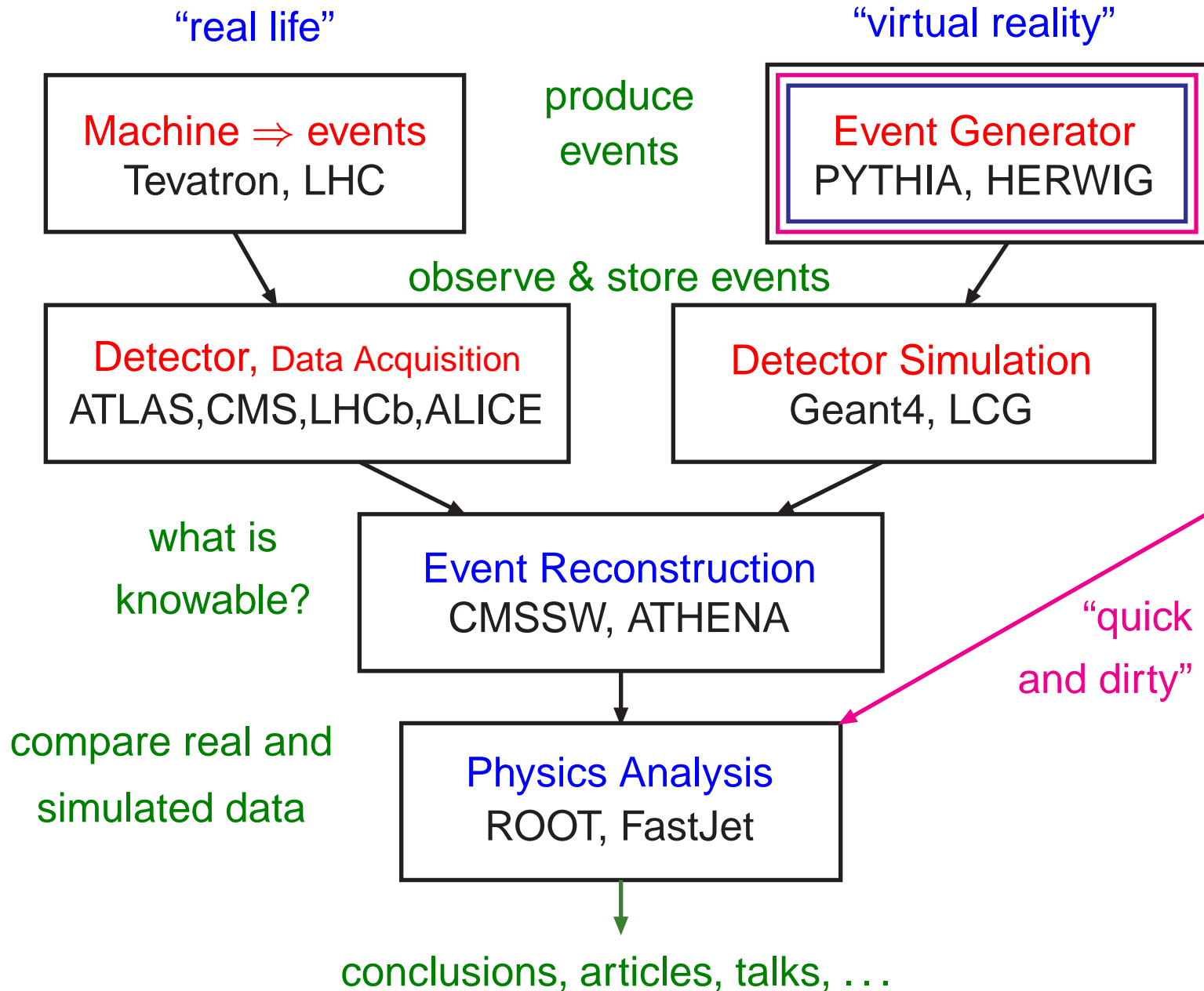
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1. **(today)** Introduction and Overview; Parton Showers
2. **(tomorrow)** Matching Issues; Multiple Parton Interactions
3. **(Wednesday)** Hadronization; LHC predictions; Generator News

Event Generator Position



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Why Generators?

- Allow studies of *complex* multiparticle physics
- Large flexibility in physical quantities that can be addressed
 - Vehicle of ideology to disseminate ideas

Can be used to

- predict event rates and topologies \Rightarrow estimate feasibility
- simulate possible backgrounds \Rightarrow devise analysis strategies
- study detector requirements \Rightarrow optimize detector/trigger design
- study detector imperfections \Rightarrow evaluate acceptance corrections

Monte Carlo method convenient because Einstein was wrong:

God does throw dice!

Quantum mechanics: amplitudes \implies probabilities

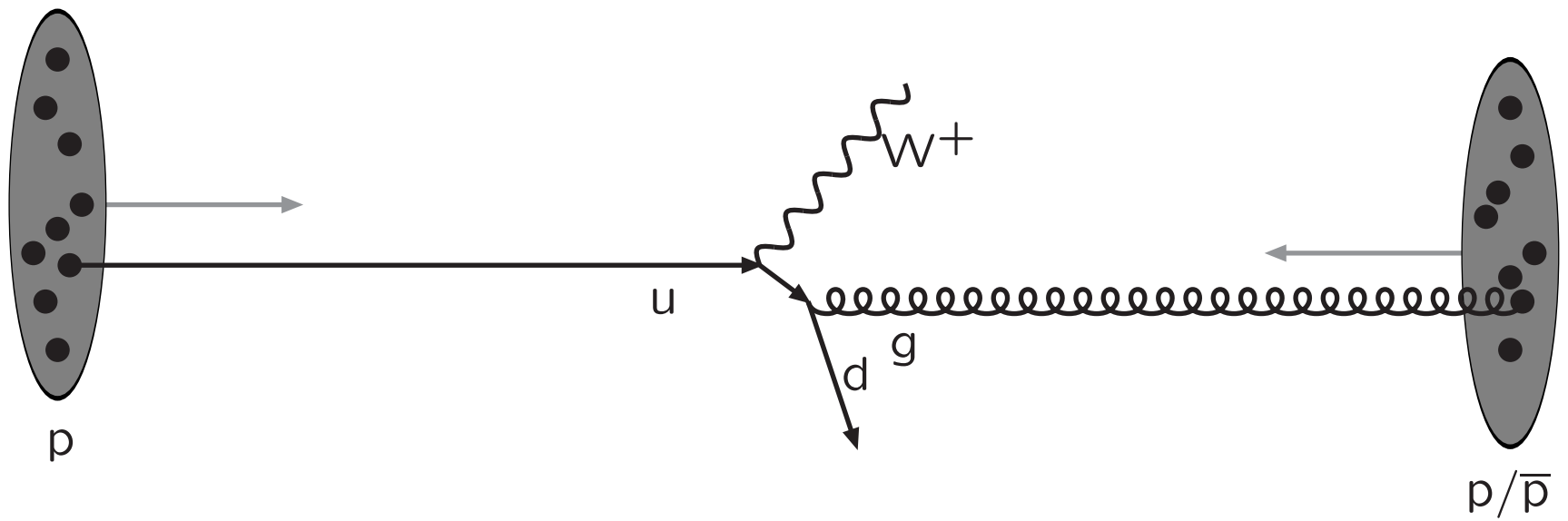
Anything that possibly can happen, will! (but more or less often)

The structure of an event

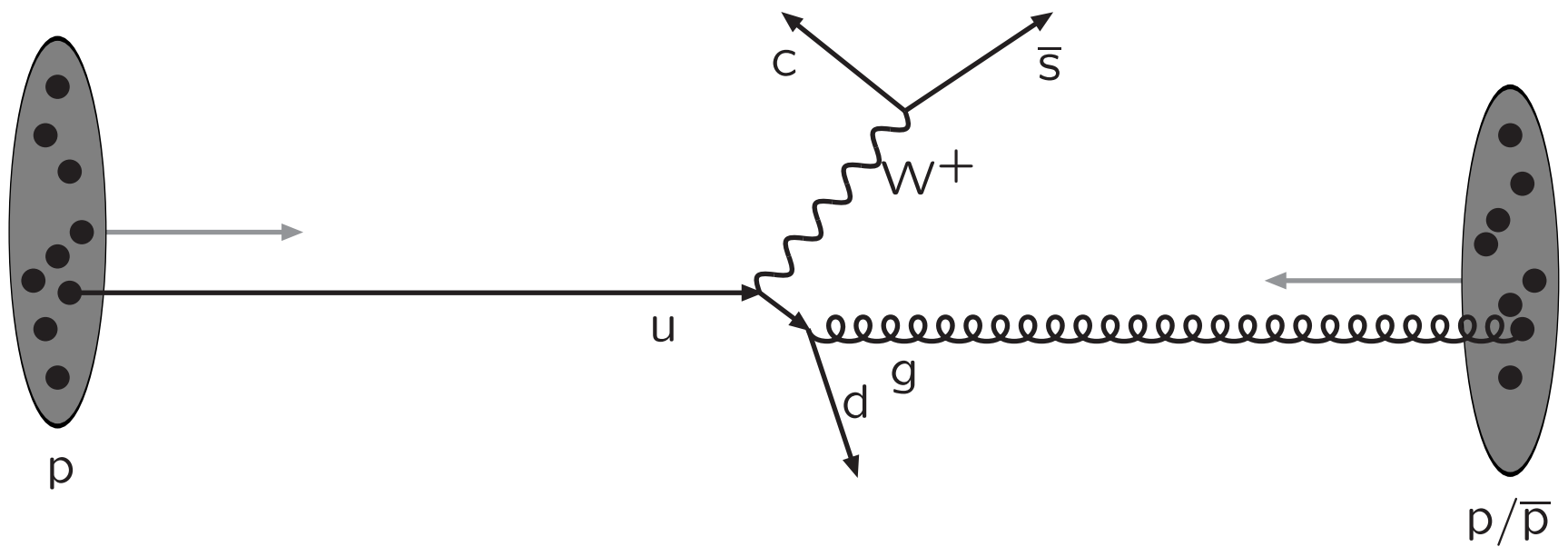
Warning: schematic only, everything simplified, nothing to scale, ...



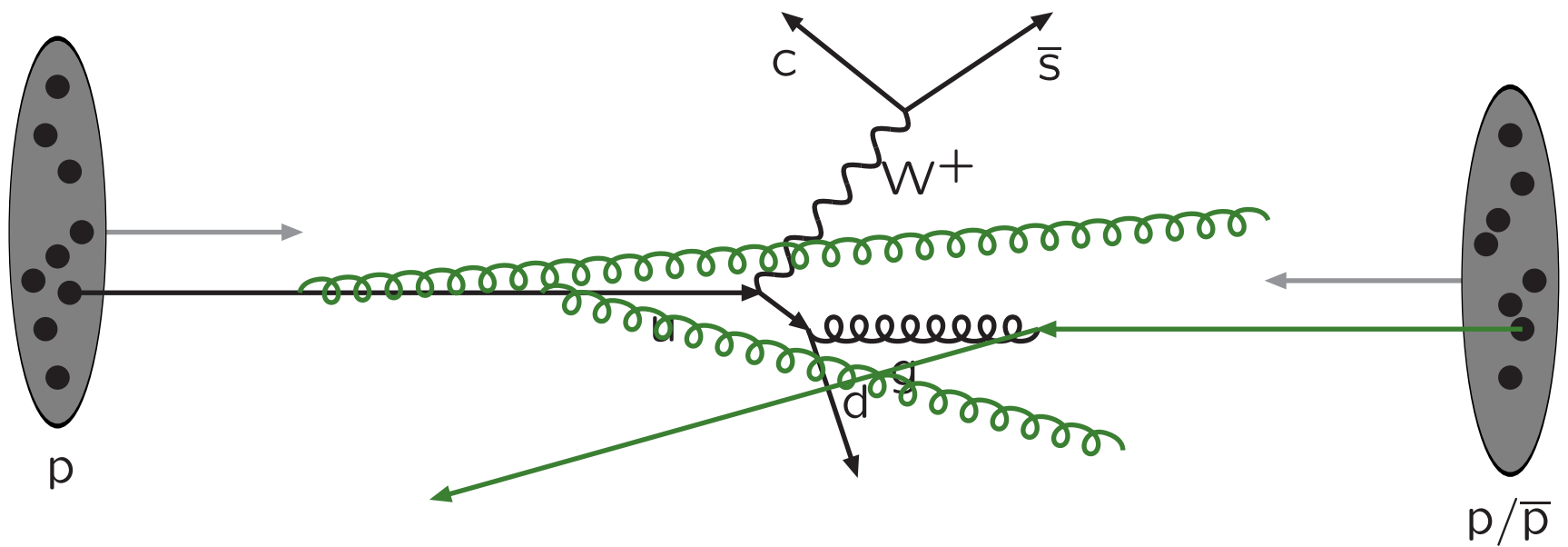
Incoming beams: parton densities



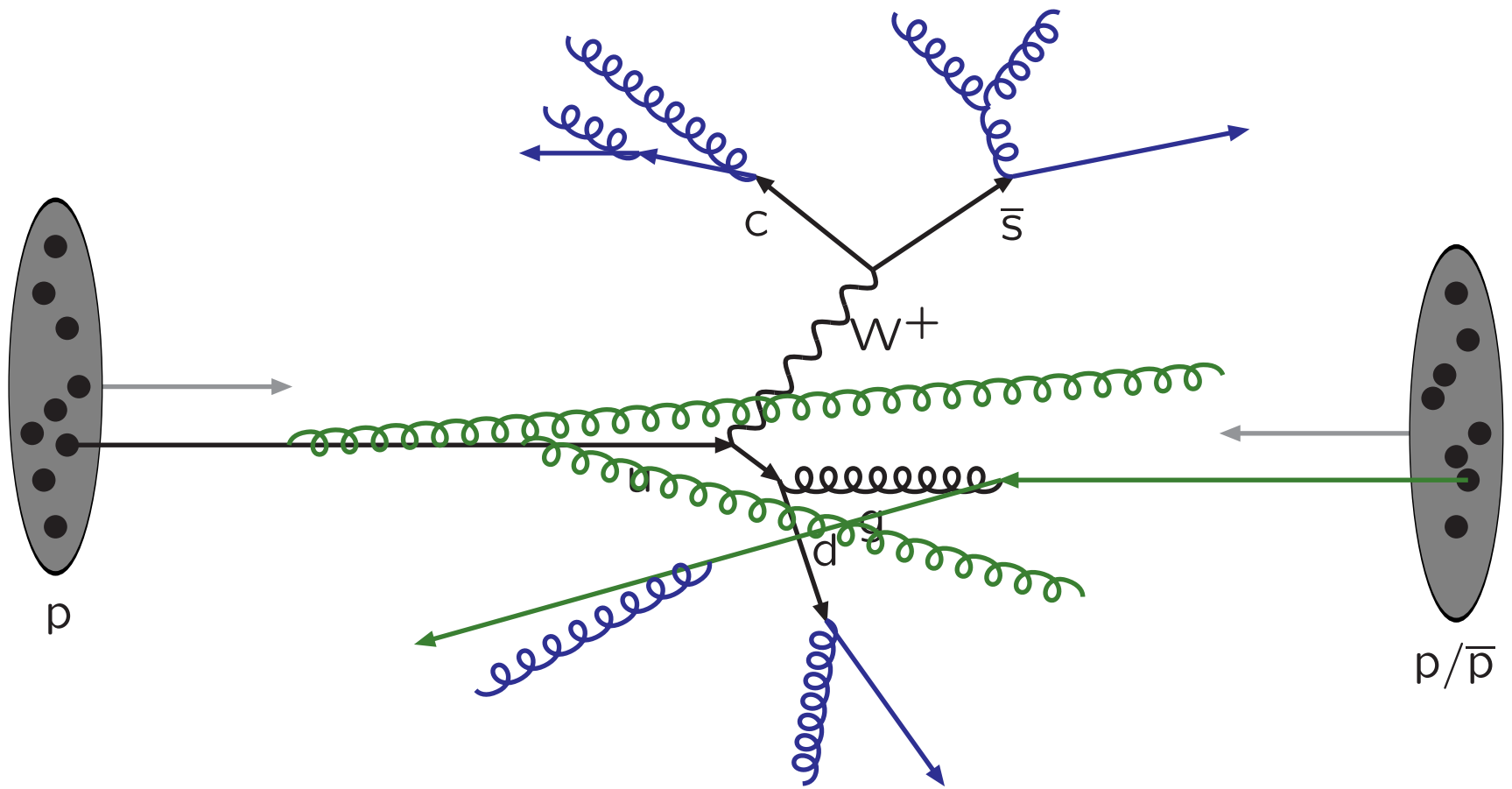
Hard subprocess: described by matrix elements



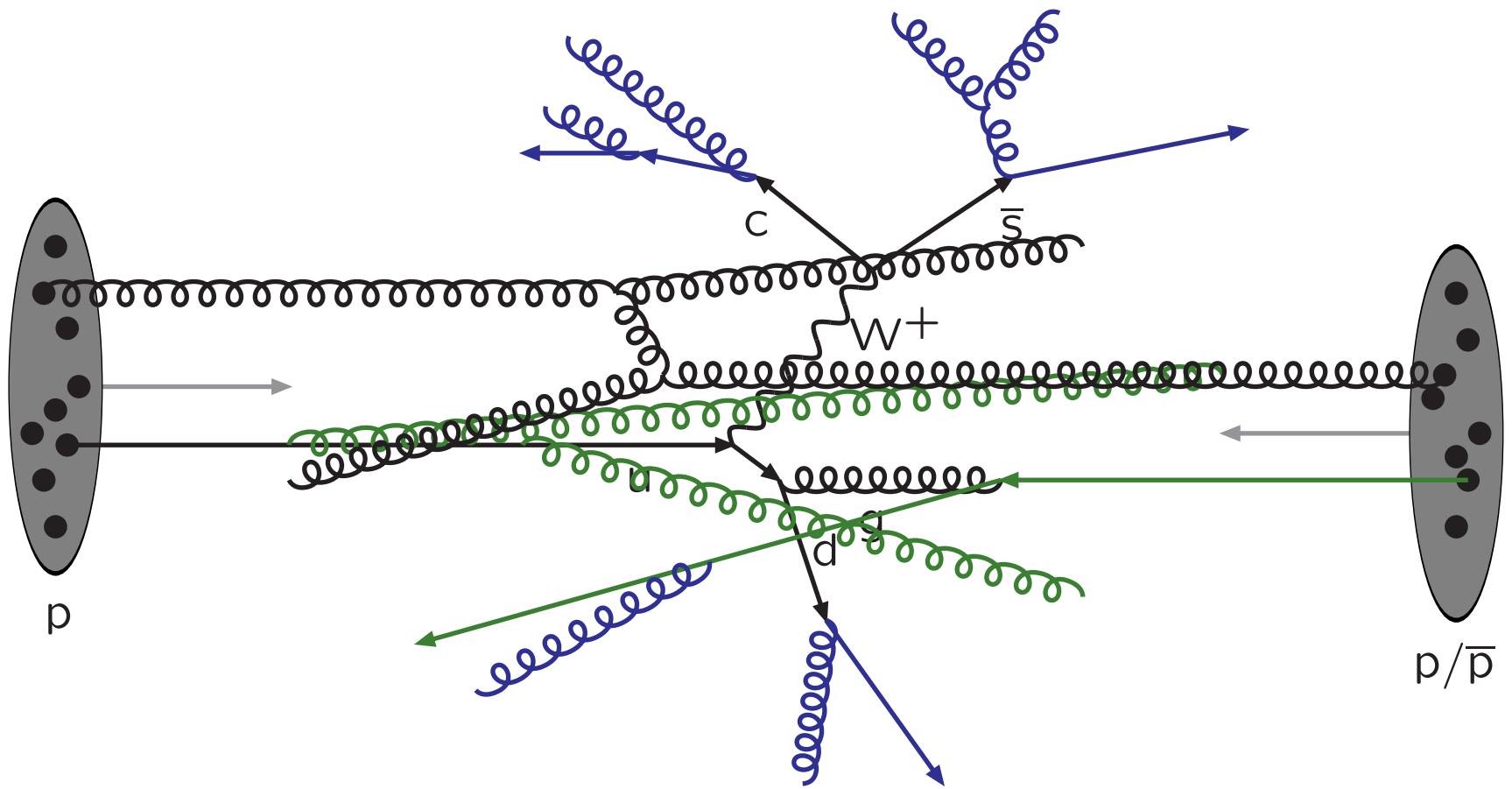
Resonance decays: correlated with hard subprocess



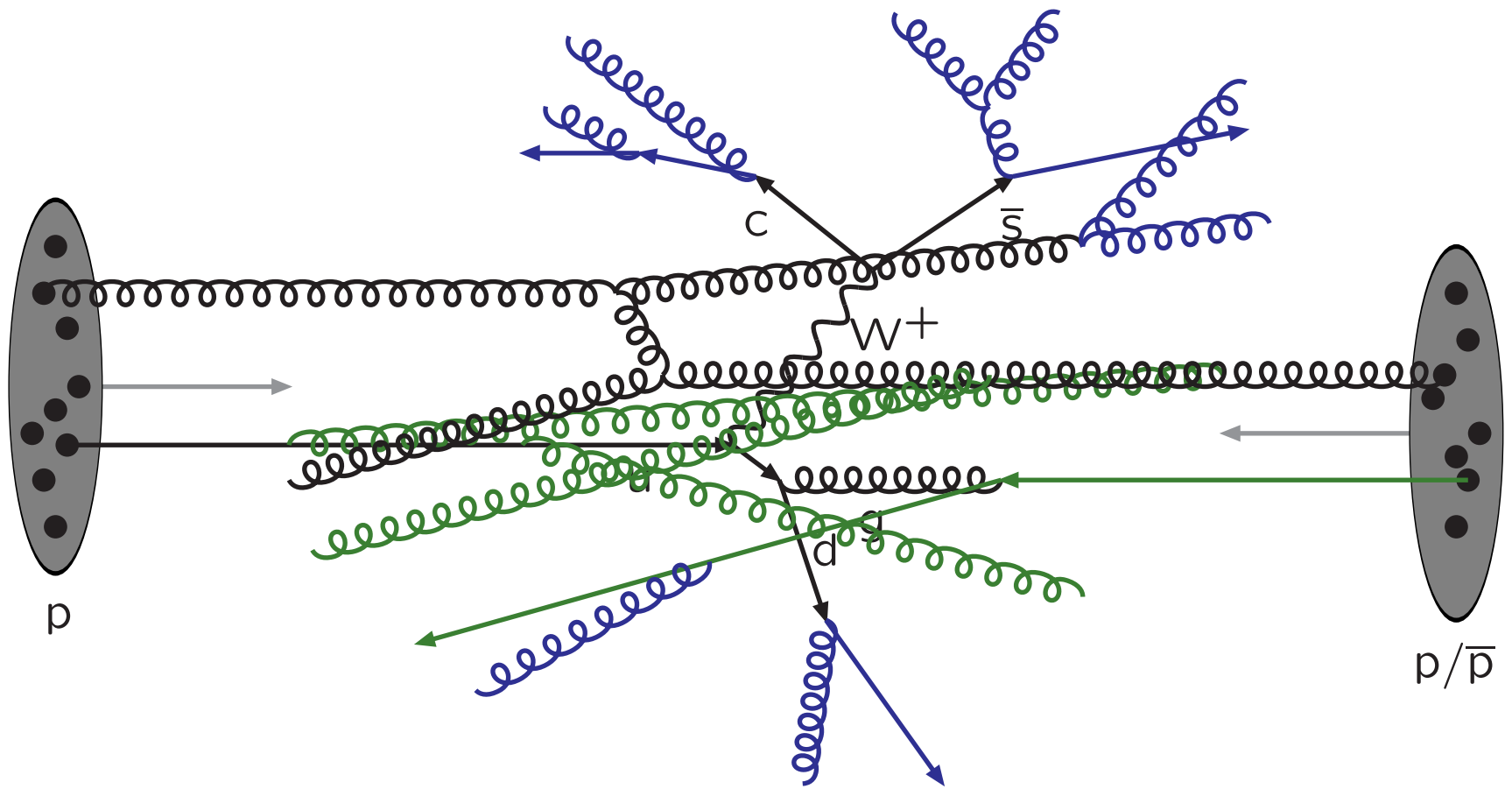
Initial-state radiation: spacelike parton showers



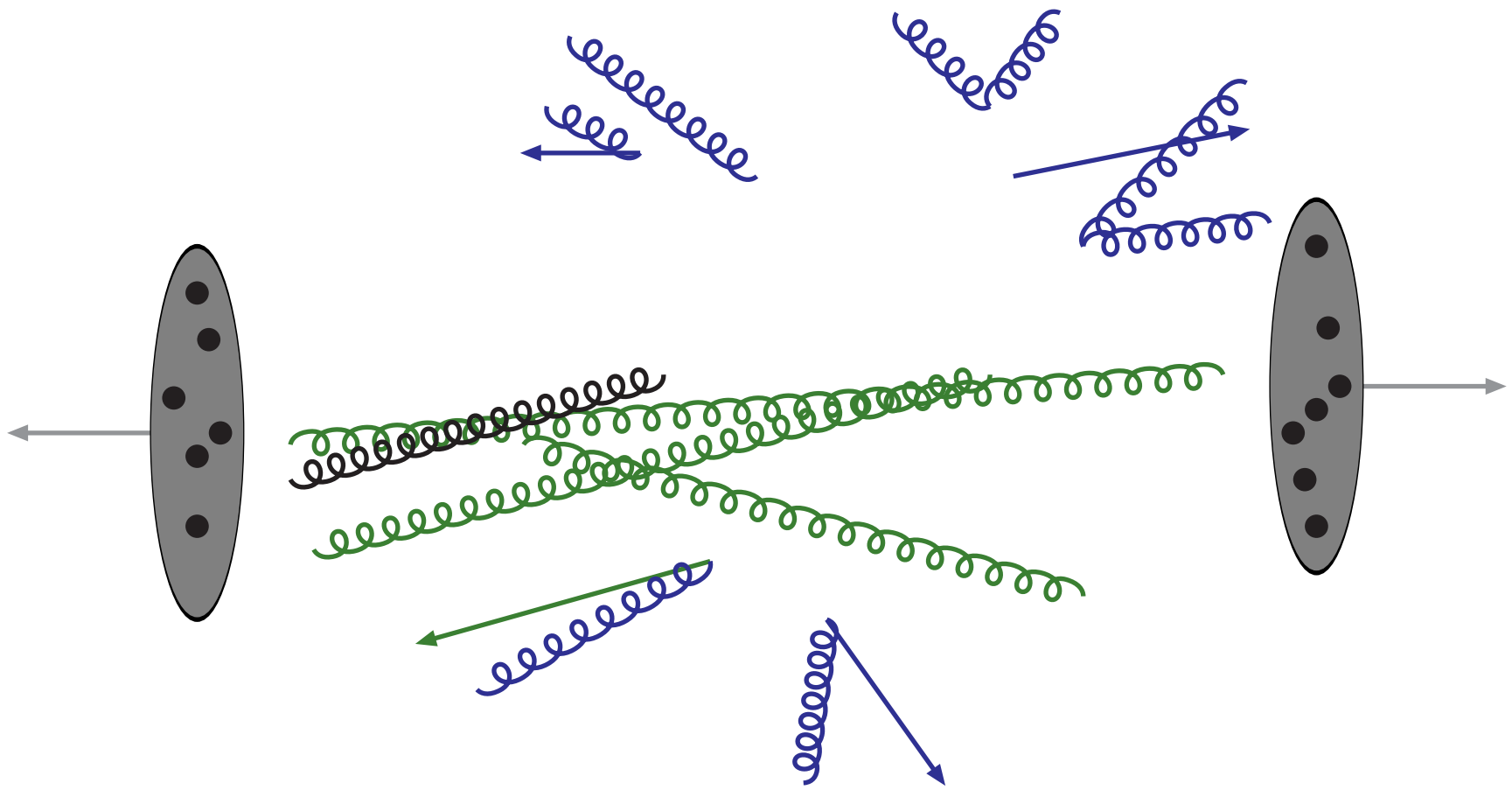
Final-state radiation: timelike parton showers



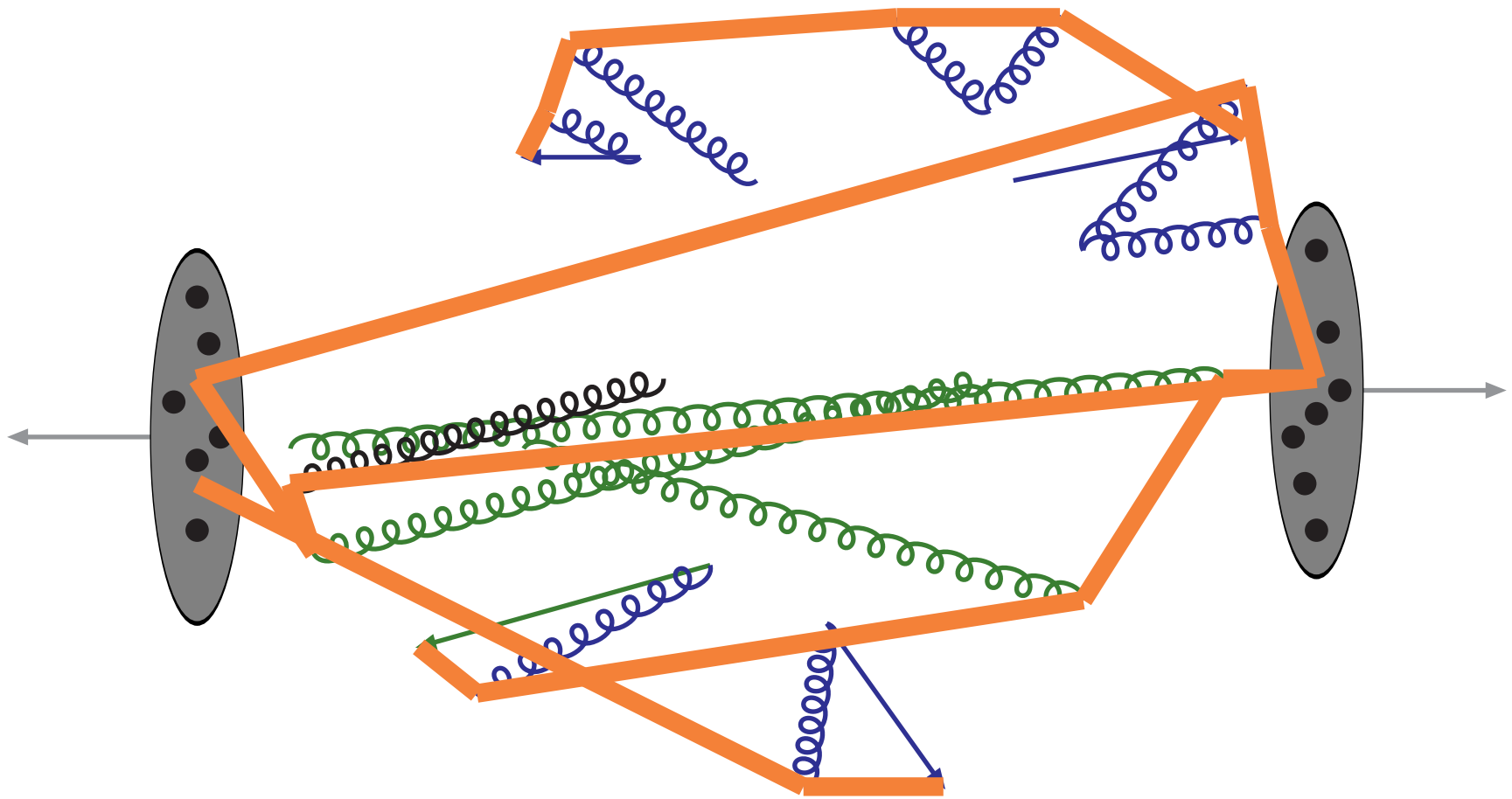
Multiple parton-parton interactions ...



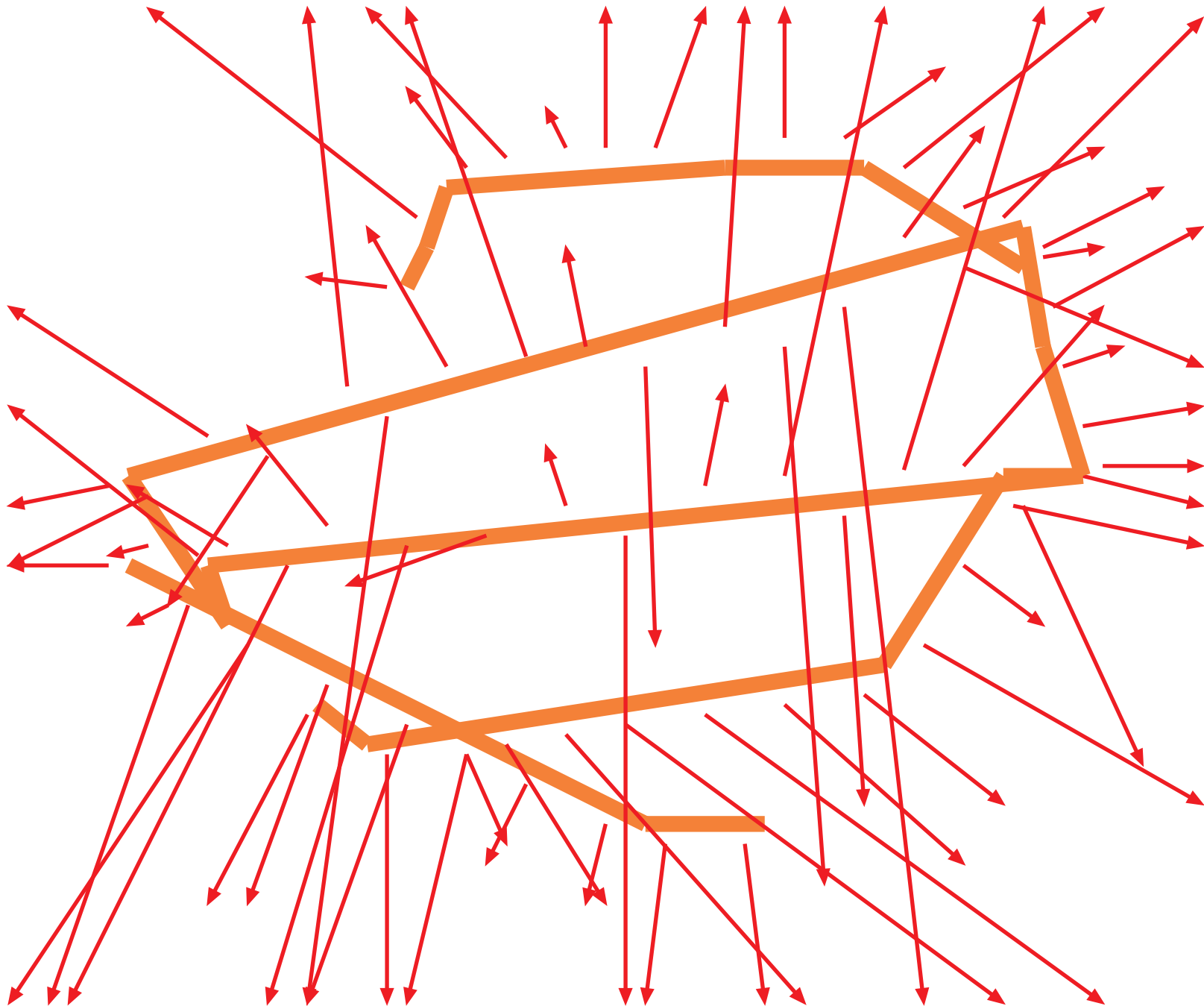
... with its **initial-** and **final-**state radiation



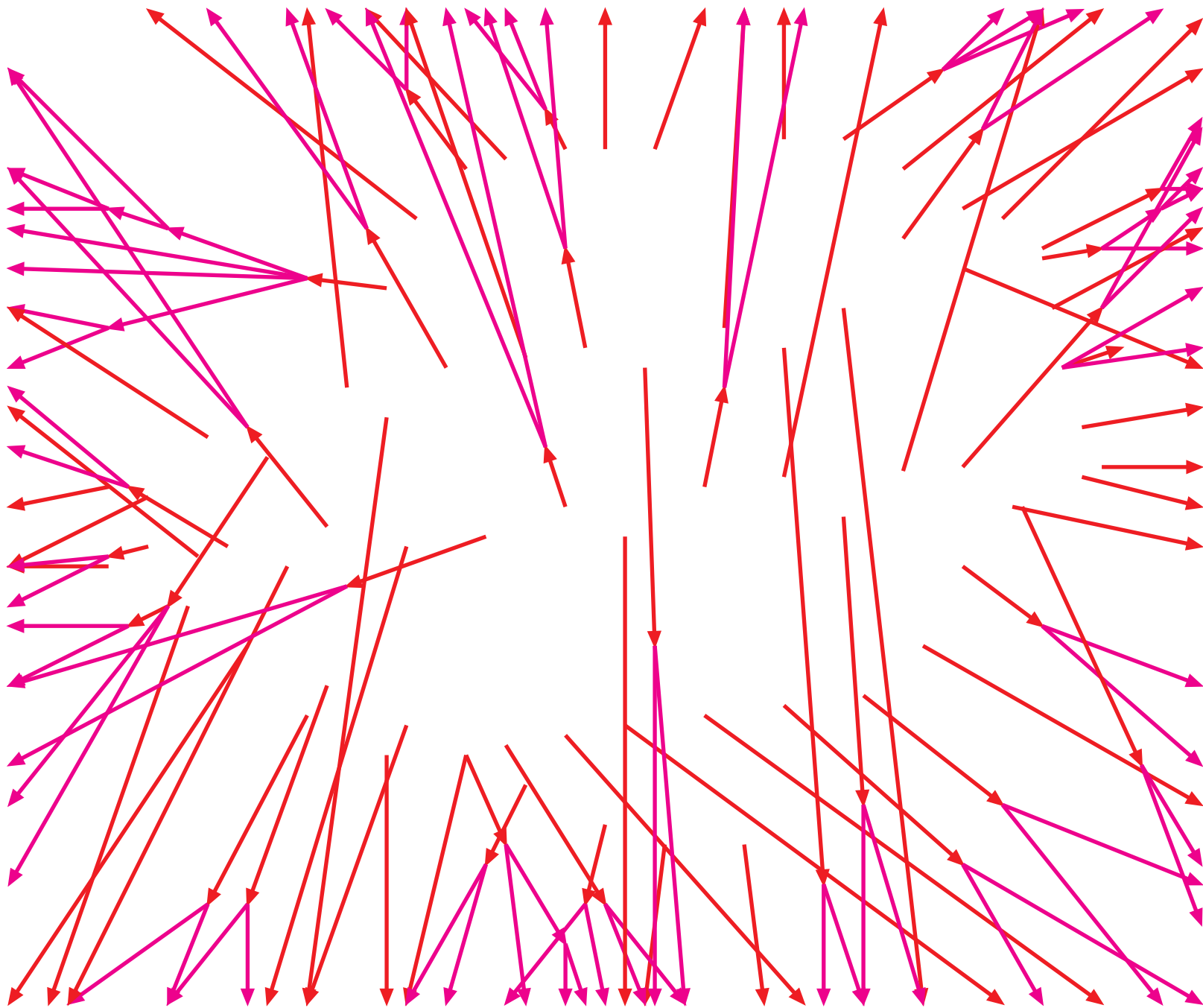
Beam remnants and other outgoing partons



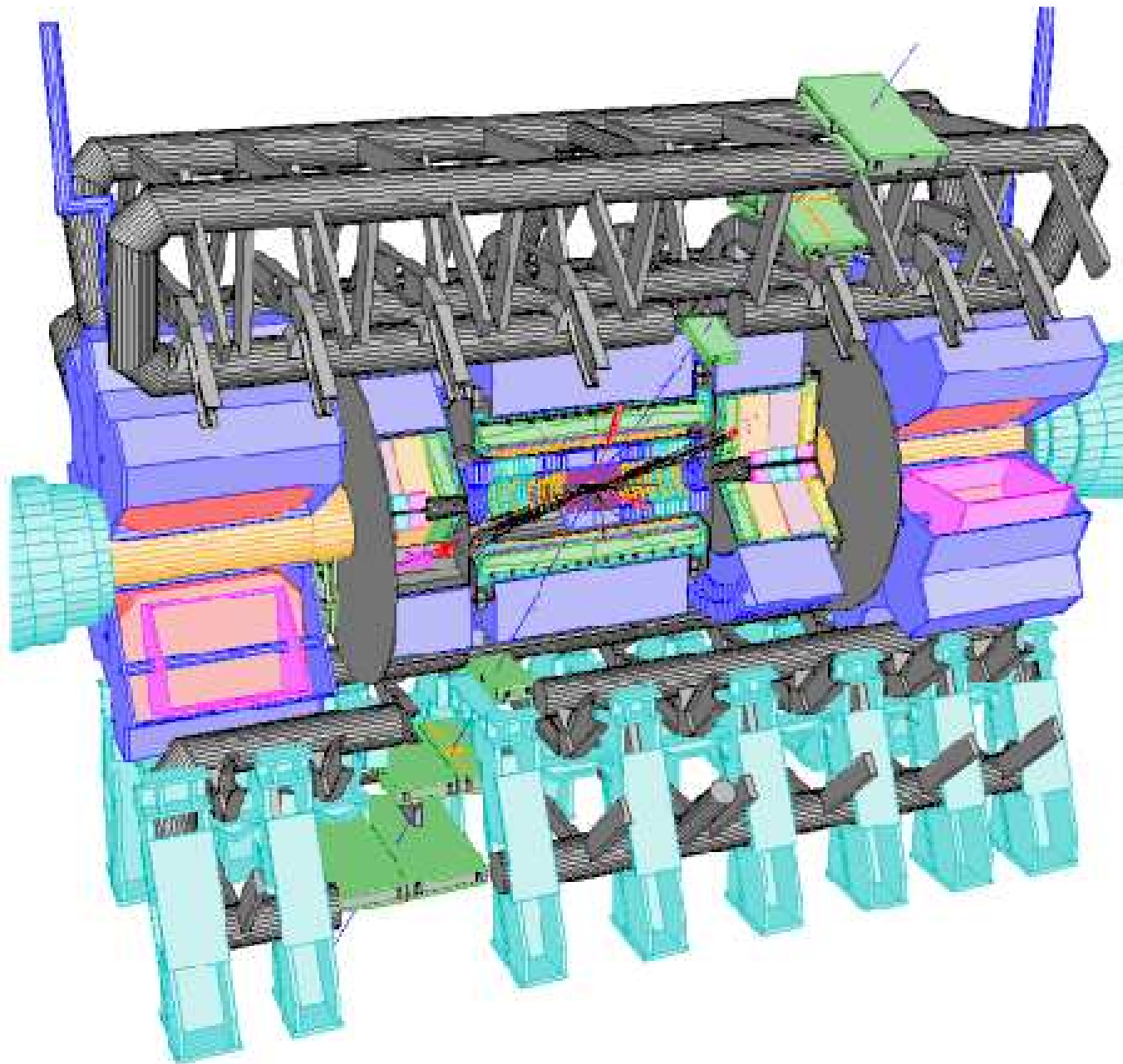
Everything is connected by colour confinement strings
Recall! Not to scale: strings are of hadronic widths



The strings fragment to produce primary hadrons



Many hadrons are unstable and decay further



These are the particles that hit the detector

The Monte Carlo method

Want to generate events in as much detail as Mother Nature

⇒ get average *and* fluctuations right

⇒ make random choices, \sim as in nature

$$\sigma_{\text{final state}} = \sigma_{\text{hard process}} \mathcal{P}_{\text{tot,hard process} \rightarrow \text{final state}}$$

(appropriately summed & integrated over non-distinguished final states)

where $\mathcal{P}_{\text{tot}} = \mathcal{P}_{\text{res}} \mathcal{P}_{\text{ISR}} \mathcal{P}_{\text{FSR}} \mathcal{P}_{\text{MI}} \mathcal{P}_{\text{remnants}} \mathcal{P}_{\text{hadronization}} \mathcal{P}_{\text{decays}}$

with $\mathcal{P}_i = \prod_j \mathcal{P}_{ij} = \prod_j \prod_k \mathcal{P}_{ijk} = \dots$ in its turn

⇒ **divide and conquer**

an event with n particles involves $\mathcal{O}(10n)$ random choices,

(flavour, mass, momentum, spin, production vertex, lifetime, ...)

LHC: ~ 100 charged and ~ 200 neutral (+ intermediate stages)

⇒ several thousand choices

(of $\mathcal{O}(100)$ different kinds)

Generator Landscape

	General-Purpose	Specialized
Hard Processes	HERWIG PYTHIA SHERPA	a lot
Resonance Decays		HDECAY, ...
Parton Showers		Ariadne/LDC, VINCIA, ...
Underlying Event		DPMJET/PHOJET
Hadronization		none (?)
Ordinary Decays		TAUOLA, EvtGen

specialized often best at given task, but need General-Purpose core

Matrix-Elements Programs

Wide spectrum from “general-purpose” to “one-issue”, see e.g.

<http://www.cedar.ac.uk/hepcode/>

Free for all as long as Les-Houches-compliant output.

I) General-purpose, leading-order:

- MadGraph/MadEvent (amplitude-based, ≤ 7 outgoing partons):

<http://madgraph.physics.uiuc.edu/>

- CompHEP/CalcHEP (matrix-elements-based, $\sim \leq 4$ outgoing partons)
- Comix: part of SHERPA (Behrends-Giele recursion)
- HELAC–PHEGAS (Dyson-Schwinger)

II) Special processes, leading-order:

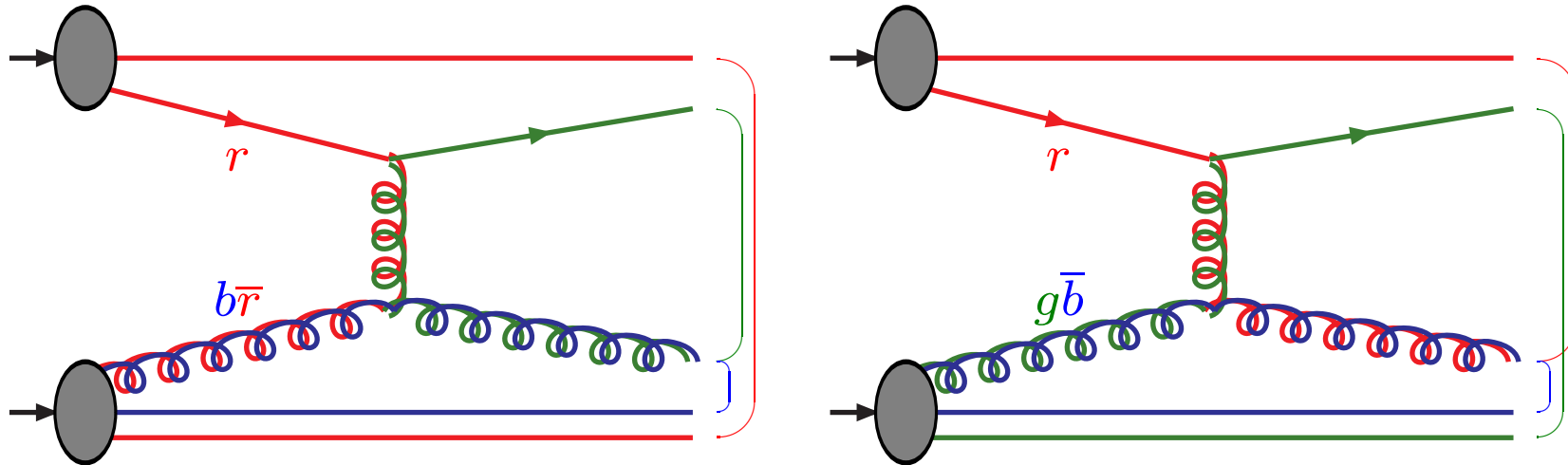
- ALPGEN: $W/Z + \leq 6j$, $nW + mZ + kH + \leq 3j$, ...
- AcerMC: $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$, ...
- VECBOS: $W/Z + \leq 4j$

III) Special processes, next-to-leading-order:

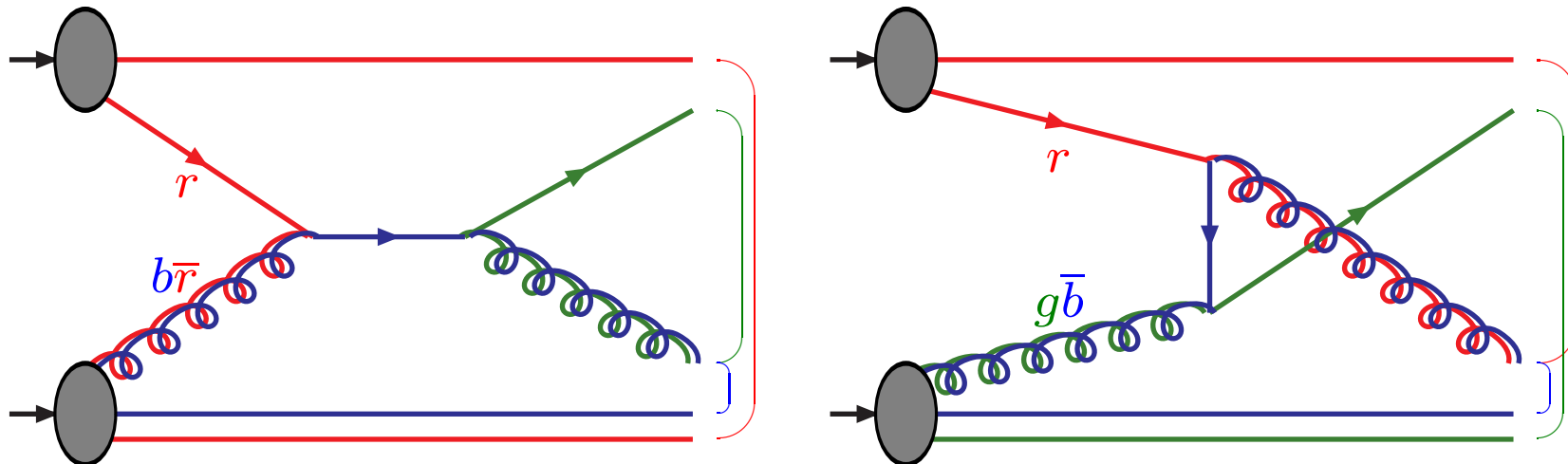
- MCFM: NLO $W/Z + \leq 2j$, WZ , WH , $H + \leq 1j$
- GRACE+Bases/Spring

Colour flow in hard processes

One Feynman graph can correspond to several possible colour flows, e.g. for $qg \rightarrow qg$:



while other $qg \rightarrow qg$ graphs only admit one colour flow:



so nontrivial mix of kinematics variables (\hat{s}, \hat{t})
and colour flow topologies I, II:

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathcal{A}(\hat{s}, \hat{t})|^2 &= |\mathcal{A}_I(\hat{s}, \hat{t}) + \mathcal{A}_{II}(\hat{s}, \hat{t})|^2 \\ &= |\mathcal{A}_I(\hat{s}, \hat{t})|^2 + |\mathcal{A}_{II}(\hat{s}, \hat{t})|^2 + 2 \operatorname{Re} (\mathcal{A}_I(\hat{s}, \hat{t}) \mathcal{A}_{II}^*(\hat{s}, \hat{t})) \end{aligned}$$

with $\operatorname{Re} (\mathcal{A}_I(\hat{s}, \hat{t}) \mathcal{A}_{II}^*(\hat{s}, \hat{t})) \neq 0$

\Rightarrow indeterminate colour flow, while

- showers *should* know it (coherence),
- hadronization *must* know it (hadrons singlets).

Normal solution:

$$\frac{\text{interference}}{\text{total}} \propto \frac{1}{N_C^2 - 1}$$

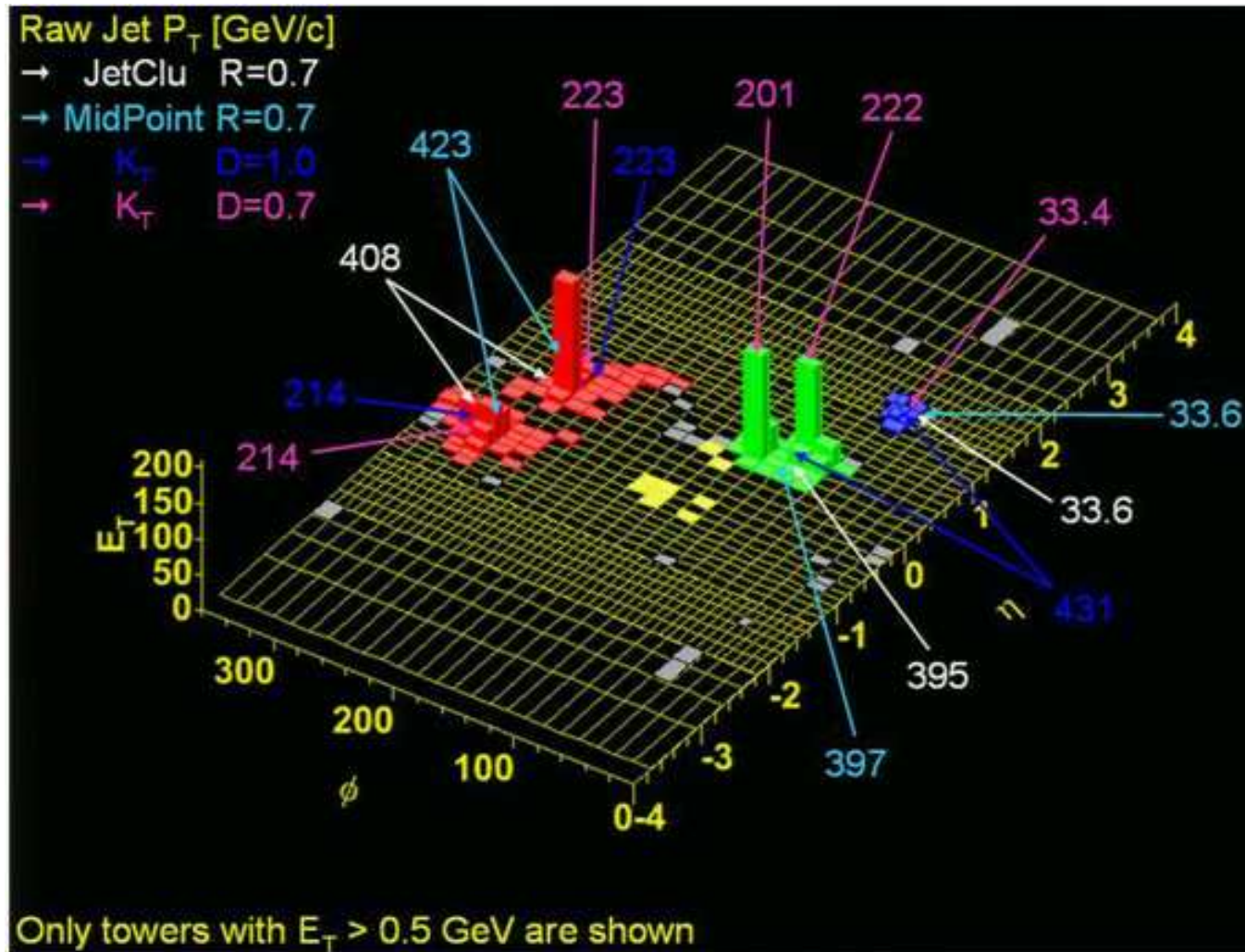
so split I : II according to proportions in the $N_C \rightarrow \infty$ limit, i.e.

$$|\mathcal{A}(\hat{s}, \hat{t})|^2 = |\mathcal{A}_I(\hat{s}, \hat{t})|_{\text{mod}}^2 + |\mathcal{A}_{II}(\hat{s}, \hat{t})|_{\text{mod}}^2$$

$$|\mathcal{A}_I(\hat{s}, \hat{t})|_{\text{mod}}^2 = |\mathcal{A}_I(\hat{s}, \hat{t}) + \mathcal{A}_{II}(\hat{s}, \hat{t})|^2 \left(\frac{|\mathcal{A}_I(\hat{s}, \hat{t})|^2}{|\mathcal{A}_I(\hat{s}, \hat{t})|^2 + |\mathcal{A}_{II}(\hat{s}, \hat{t})|^2} \right)_{N_C \rightarrow \infty}$$

$$|\mathcal{A}_{II}(\hat{s}, \hat{t})|_{\text{mod}}^2 = \dots$$

Parton Showers



- Final-State (Timelike) Showers
- Initial-State (Spacelike) Showers
 - Matching to Matrix Elements

Divergences

Emission rate $q \rightarrow qg$ diverges when

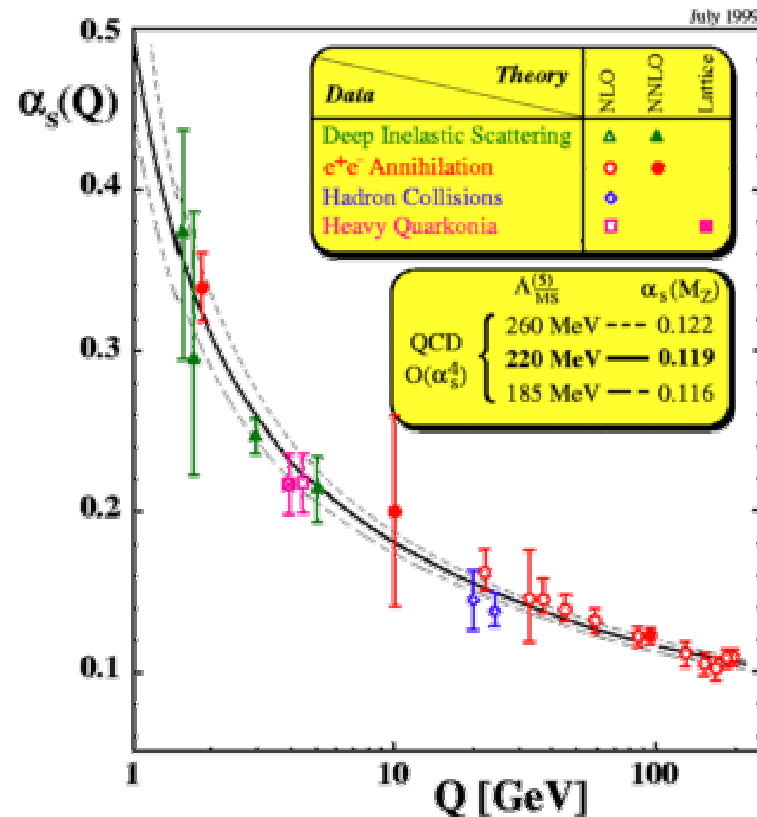
- collinear: opening angle $\theta_{qg} \rightarrow 0$
- soft: gluon energy $E_g \rightarrow 0$

Almost identical to $e \rightarrow e\gamma$

(“bremsstrahlung”),

but QCD is non-Abelian so additionally

- $g \rightarrow gg$ similarly divergent
- $\alpha_s(Q^2)$ diverges for $Q^2 \rightarrow 0$
(actually for $Q^2 \rightarrow \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2$)

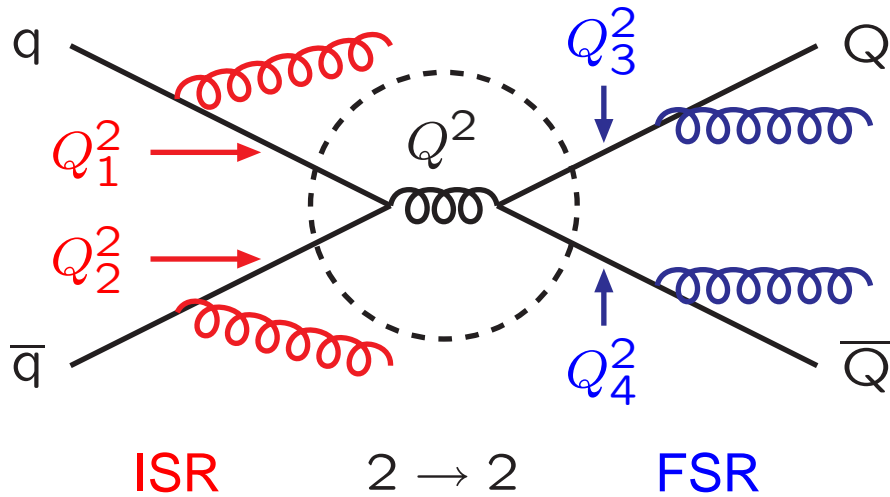


Big probability for one emission \implies also big for several
 \implies with ME's need to calculate to high order **and** with many loops
 \implies extremely demanding technically (not solved!), and
 involving big cancellations between positive and negative contributions.

Alternative approach: **parton showers**

The Parton-Shower Approach

$$2 \rightarrow n = (2 \rightarrow 2) \oplus \text{ISR} \oplus \text{FSR}$$



FSR = Final-State Rad.;
timelike shower

$$Q_i^2 \sim m^2 > 0 \text{ decreasing}$$

ISR = Initial-State Rad.;
spacelike shower

$$Q_i^2 \sim -m^2 > 0 \text{ increasing}$$

$2 \rightarrow 2 =$ hard scattering (on-shell):

$$\sigma = \iiint dx_1 dx_2 d\hat{t} f_i(x_1, Q^2) f_j(x_2, Q^2) \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{ij}}{d\hat{t}}$$

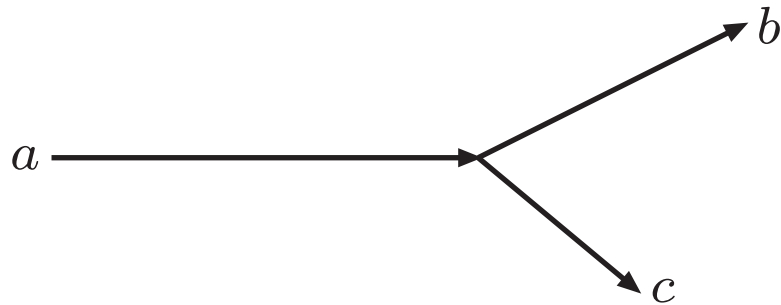
Shower evolution is viewed as a probabilistic process,
which occurs with unit total probability:

the cross section is not directly affected,

but indirectly it is, via the changed event shape

Technical aside: why timelike/spacelike?

Consider four-momentum conservation in a branching $a \rightarrow b c$



$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{p}_{\perp a} = 0 &\Rightarrow \mathbf{p}_{\perp c} = -\mathbf{p}_{\perp b} \\ p_+ = E + p_L &\Rightarrow p_{+a} = p_{+b} + p_{+c} \\ p_- = E - p_L &\Rightarrow p_{-a} = p_{-b} + p_{-c} \end{aligned}$$

Define $p_{+b} = z p_{+a}$, $p_{+c} = (1 - z) p_{+a}$

Use $p_+ p_- = E^2 - p_L^2 = m^2 + p_{\perp}^2$

$$\frac{m_a^2 + p_{\perp a}^2}{p_{+a}} = \frac{m_b^2 + p_{\perp b}^2}{z p_{+a}} + \frac{m_c^2 + p_{\perp c}^2}{(1 - z) p_{+a}}$$

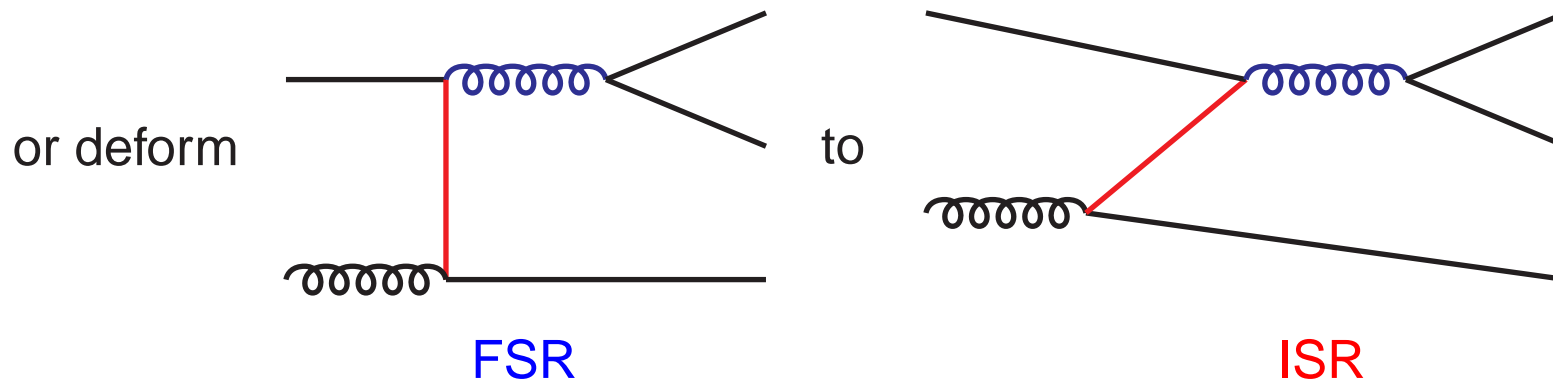
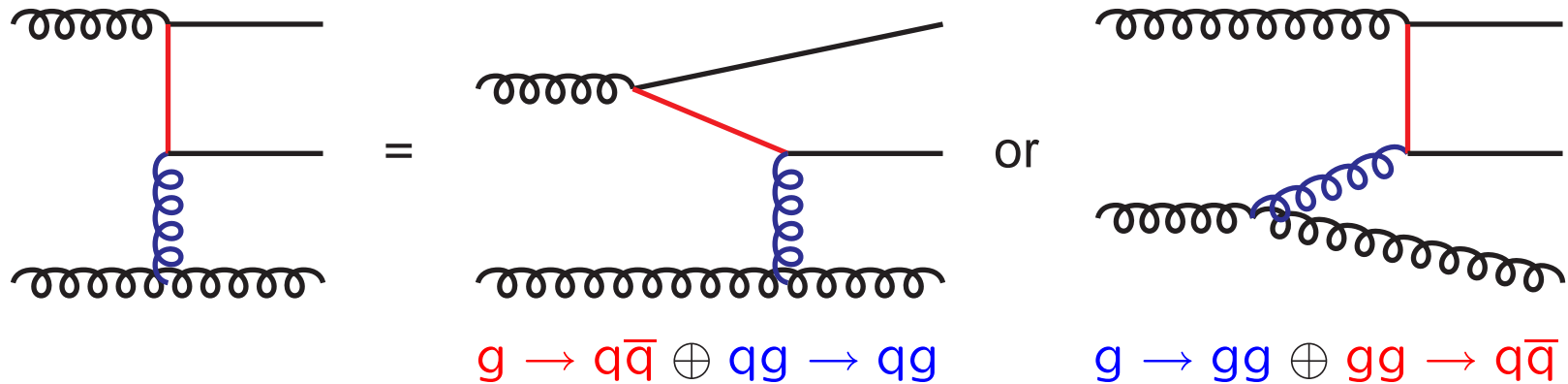
$$\Rightarrow m_a^2 = \frac{m_b^2 + p_{\perp}^2}{z} + \frac{m_c^2 + p_{\perp}^2}{1 - z} = \frac{m_b^2}{z} + \frac{m_c^2}{1 - z} + \frac{p_{\perp}^2}{z(1 - z)}$$

Final-state shower: $m_b = m_c = 0 \Rightarrow m_a^2 = \frac{p_{\perp}^2}{z(1 - z)} > 0 \Rightarrow$ timelike

Initial-state shower: $m_a = m_c = 0 \Rightarrow m_b^2 = -\frac{p_{\perp}^2}{1 - z} < 0 \Rightarrow$ spacelike

Doublecounting

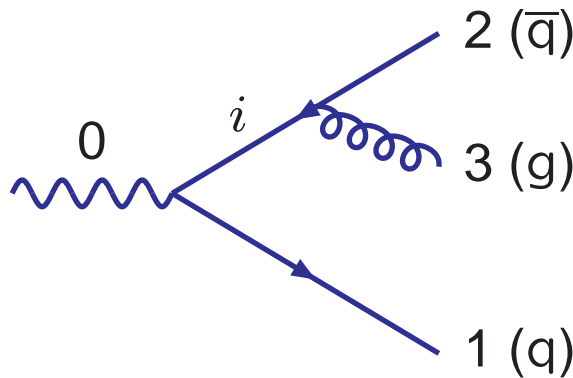
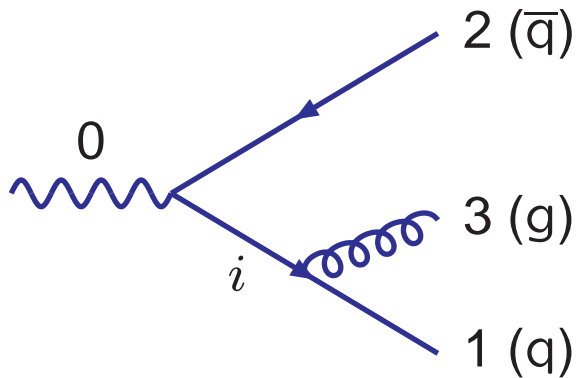
A $2 \rightarrow n$ graph can be “simplified” to $2 \rightarrow 2$ in different ways:



Do not doublecount: $2 \rightarrow 2 = \text{most virtual} = \text{shortest distance}$

Conflict: theory derivations often assume virtualities strongly ordered;
interesting physics often in regions where this is not true!

From Matrix Elements to Parton Showers



$$e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}g$$

$$x_j = 2E_j/E_{\text{cm}} \Rightarrow$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 2$$

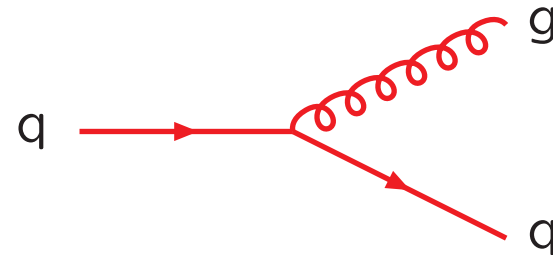
$$m_q = 0 : \quad \frac{d\sigma_{\text{ME}}}{\sigma_0} = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \frac{4}{3} \frac{x_1^2 + x_2^2}{(1-x_1)(1-x_2)} dx_1 dx_2$$

Rewrite for $x_2 \rightarrow 1$, i.e. q-g collinear limit:

$$1 - x_2 = \frac{m_{13}^2}{E_{\text{cm}}^2} = \frac{Q^2}{E_{\text{cm}}^2} \Rightarrow dx_2 = \frac{dQ^2}{E_{\text{cm}}^2}$$

$$x_1 \approx z \Rightarrow dx_1 \approx dz$$

$$x_3 \approx 1 - z$$



$$\Rightarrow d\mathcal{P} = \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma_0} = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \frac{dx_2}{(1-x_2)} \frac{4}{3} \frac{x_2^2 + x_1^2}{(1-x_1)} dx_1 \approx \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \frac{dQ^2}{Q^2} \frac{4}{3} \frac{1+z^2}{1-z} dz$$

Generalizes to DGLAP (Dokshitzer–Gribov–Lipatov–Altarelli–Parisi)

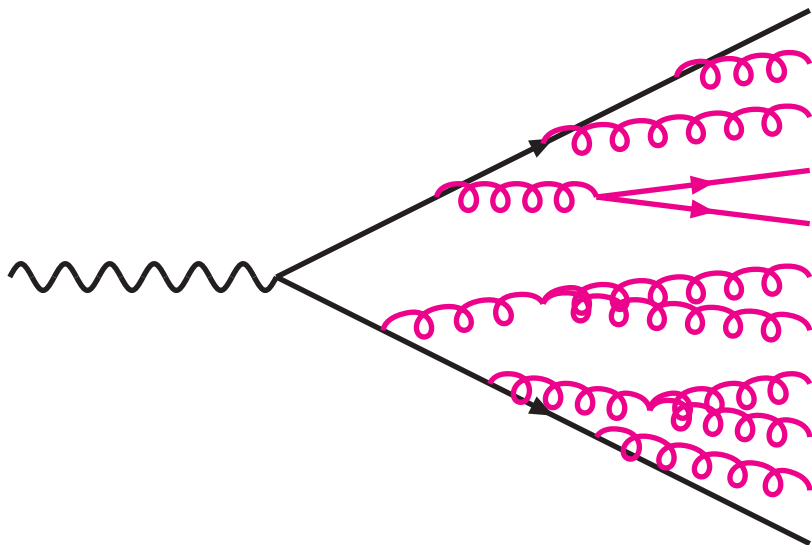
$$d\mathcal{P}_{a \rightarrow bc} = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \frac{dQ^2}{Q^2} P_{a \rightarrow bc}(z) dz$$

$$P_{q \rightarrow qg} = \frac{4}{3} \frac{1+z^2}{1-z}$$

$$P_{g \rightarrow gg} = 3 \frac{(1-z(1-z))^2}{z(1-z)}$$

$$P_{g \rightarrow q\bar{q}} = \frac{n_f}{2} (z^2 + (1-z)^2) \quad (n_f = \text{no. of quark flavours})$$

Iteration gives final-state parton showers



Need soft/collinear cut-offs
to stay away from
nonperturbative physics.

Details model-dependent, e.g.

$Q > m_0 = \min(m_{ij}) \approx 1 \text{ GeV}$,

$z_{\min}(E, Q) < z < z_{\max}(E, Q)$

or $p_{\perp} > p_{\perp \min} \approx 0.5 \text{ GeV}$

The Sudakov Form Factor

Conservation of total probability:

$$\mathcal{P}(\text{nothing happens}) = 1 - \mathcal{P}(\text{something happens})$$

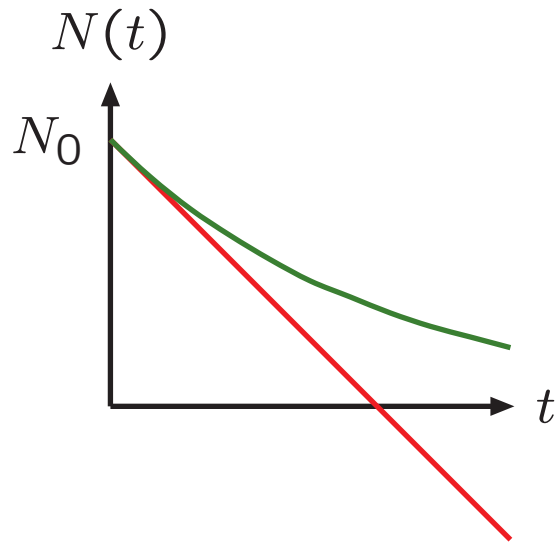
“multiplicativeness” in “time” evolution:

$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{nothing}}(0 < t \leq T) = \mathcal{P}_{\text{nothing}}(0 < t \leq T_1) \mathcal{P}_{\text{nothing}}(T_1 < t \leq T)$$

Subdivide further, with $T_i = (i/n)T$, $0 \leq i \leq n$:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}_{\text{nothing}}(0 < t \leq T) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \mathcal{P}_{\text{nothing}}(T_i < t \leq T_{i+1}) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \left(1 - \mathcal{P}_{\text{something}}(T_i < t \leq T_{i+1}) \right) \\ &= \exp \left(- \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \mathcal{P}_{\text{something}}(T_i < t \leq T_{i+1}) \right) \\ &= \exp \left(- \int_0^T \frac{d\mathcal{P}_{\text{something}}(t)}{dt} dt \right) \\ \implies d\mathcal{P}_{\text{first}}(T) &= d\mathcal{P}_{\text{something}}(T) \exp \left(- \int_0^T \frac{d\mathcal{P}_{\text{something}}(t)}{dt} dt \right) \end{aligned}$$

Example: radioactive decay of nucleus



naively: $\frac{dN}{dt} = -cN_0 \Rightarrow N(t) = N_0 (1 - ct)$

depletion: a given nucleus can only decay once

correctly: $\frac{dN}{dt} = -cN(t) \Rightarrow N(t) = N_0 \exp(-ct)$

generalizes to: $N(t) = N_0 \exp\left(-\int_0^t c(t') dt'\right)$

or: $\frac{dN(t)}{dt} = -c(t) N_0 \exp\left(-\int_0^t c(t') dt'\right)$

sequence allowed: nucleus₁ → nucleus₂ → nucleus₃ → ...

Correspondingly, with $Q \sim 1/t$ (Heisenberg)

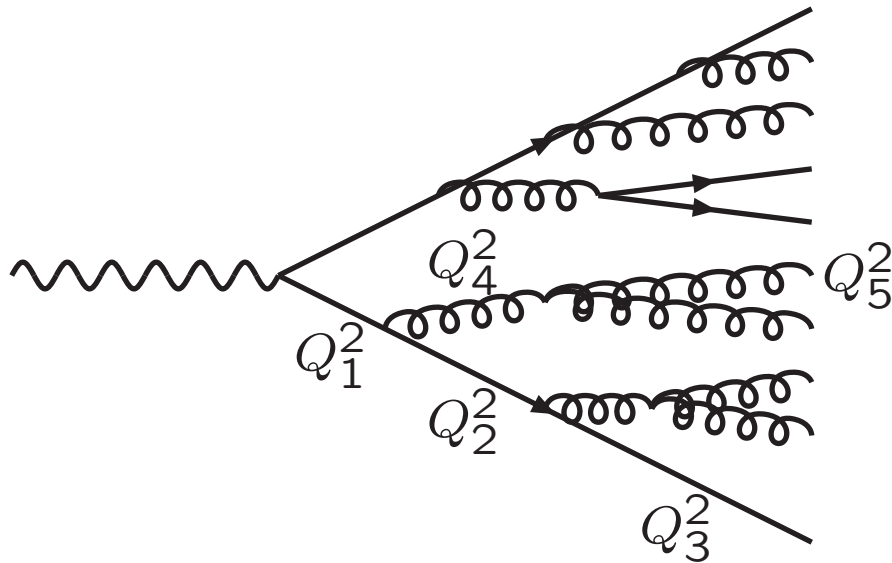
$$d\mathcal{P}_{a \rightarrow bc} = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \frac{dQ^2}{Q^2} P_{a \rightarrow bc}(z) dz \exp\left(-\sum_{b,c} \int_{Q^2}^{Q_{\max}^2} \frac{dQ'^2}{Q'^2} \int \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{a \rightarrow bc}(z') dz'\right)$$

where the exponent is (one definition of) the Sudakov form factor

A given parton can only branch once, i.e. if it did not already do so

Note that $\sum_{b,c} \int \int d\mathcal{P}_{a \rightarrow bc} \equiv 1 \Rightarrow$ convenient for Monte Carlo

($\equiv 1$ if extended over whole phase space, else possibly nothing happens)



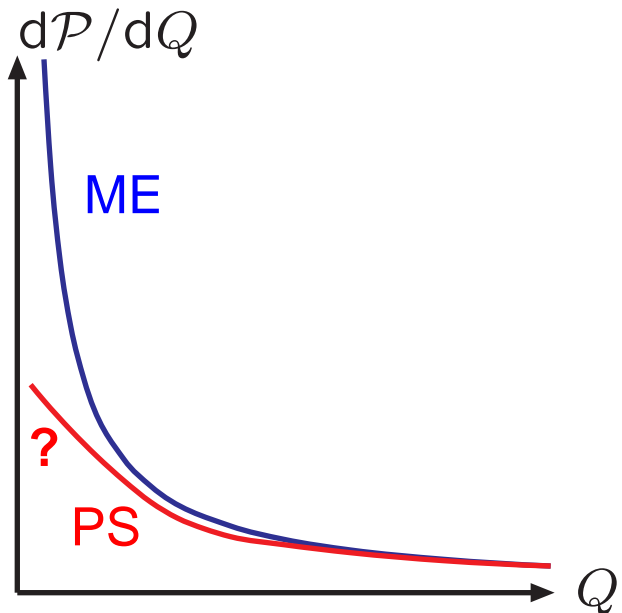
Sudakov form factor provides
 “time” ordering of shower:
 lower $Q^2 \iff$ longer times

$$Q_1^2 > Q_2^2 > Q_3^2$$

$$Q_1^2 > Q_4^2 > Q_5^2$$

etc.

Sudakov regulates singularity for *first* emission ...



... but in limit of *repeated soft*
 emissions $q \rightarrow qg$

($g \rightarrow gg, g \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ not considered)

one obtains the same inclusive
 Q emission spectrum as for ME,

i.e. divergent ME spectrum

\iff infinite number of PS emissions

Coherence

QED: Chudakov effect (mid-fifties)

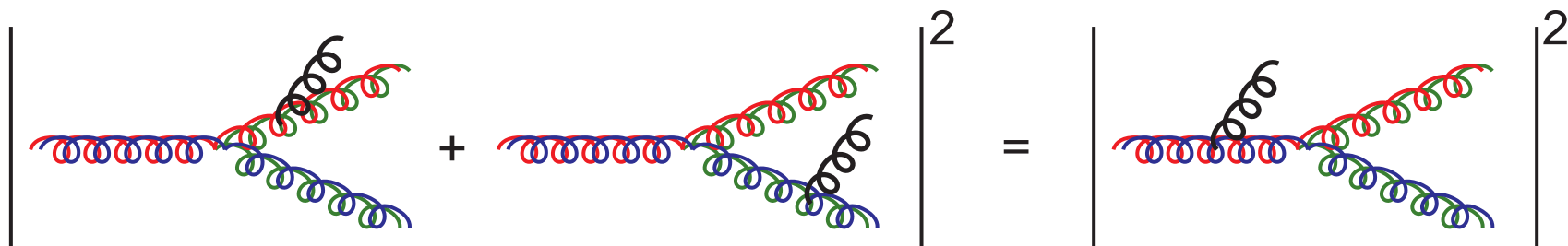


emulsion plate

reduced
ionization

normal
ionization

QCD: colour coherence for **soft** gluon emission



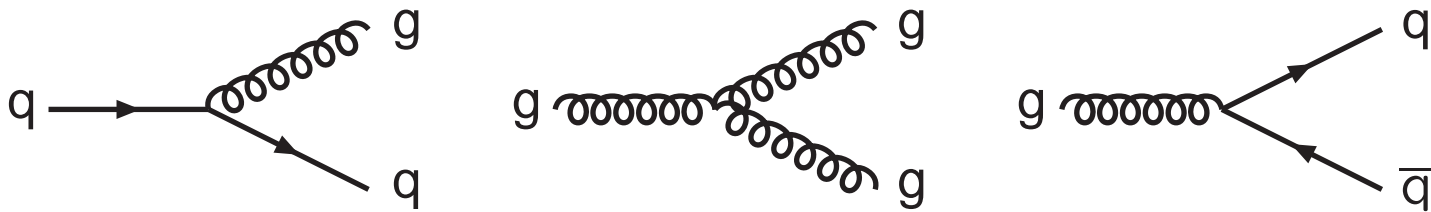
solved by
or

- requiring emission angles to be decreasing
- requiring transverse momenta to be decreasing

The Common Showering Algorithms

Three main approaches to showering in common use:

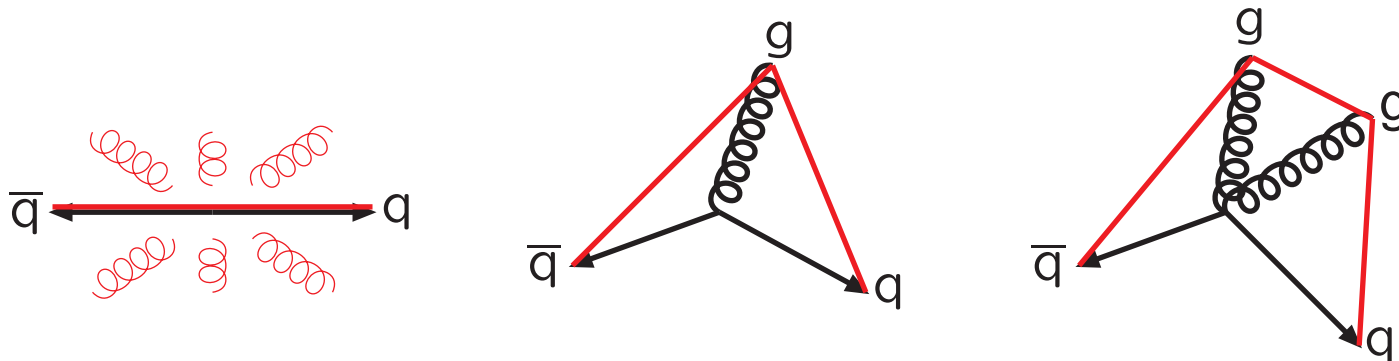
Two are based on the standard shower language
of $a \rightarrow bc$ successive branchings:



HERWIG: $Q^2 \approx E^2(1 - \cos \theta) \approx E^2\theta^2/2$

PYTHIA: $Q^2 = m^2$ (timelike) or $= -m^2$ (spacelike)

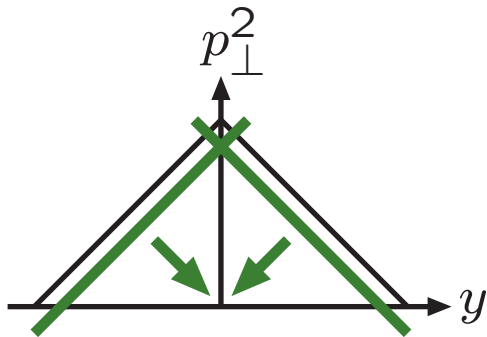
One is based on a picture of dipole emission $ab \rightarrow cde$:



ARIADNE: $Q^2 = p_{\perp}^2$; FSR mainly, ISR is primitive;
there instead LDCMC: sophisticated but complicated

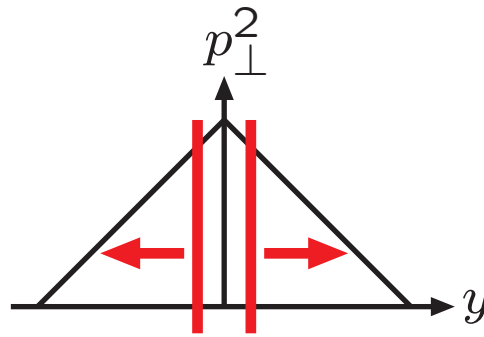
Ordering variables in final-state radiation (LEP era)

PYTHIA: $Q^2 = m^2$



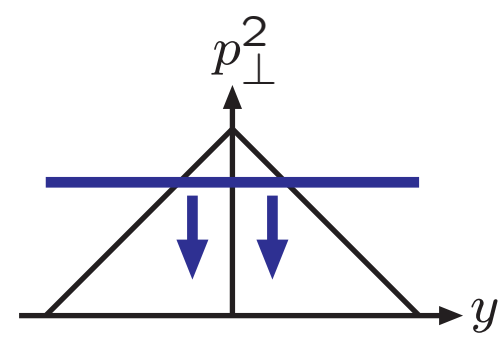
large mass first
 \Rightarrow “hardness” ordered
coherence brute force
 covers phase space
 ME merging simple
 $g \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ simple
not Lorentz invariant
 no stop/restart
 ISR: $m^2 \rightarrow -m^2$

HERWIG: $Q^2 \sim E^2\theta^2$



large angle first
 \Rightarrow **hardness not ordered**
 coherence inherent
gaps in coverage
ME merging messy
 $g \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ simple
not Lorentz invariant
 no stop/restart
 ISR: $\theta \rightarrow \theta$

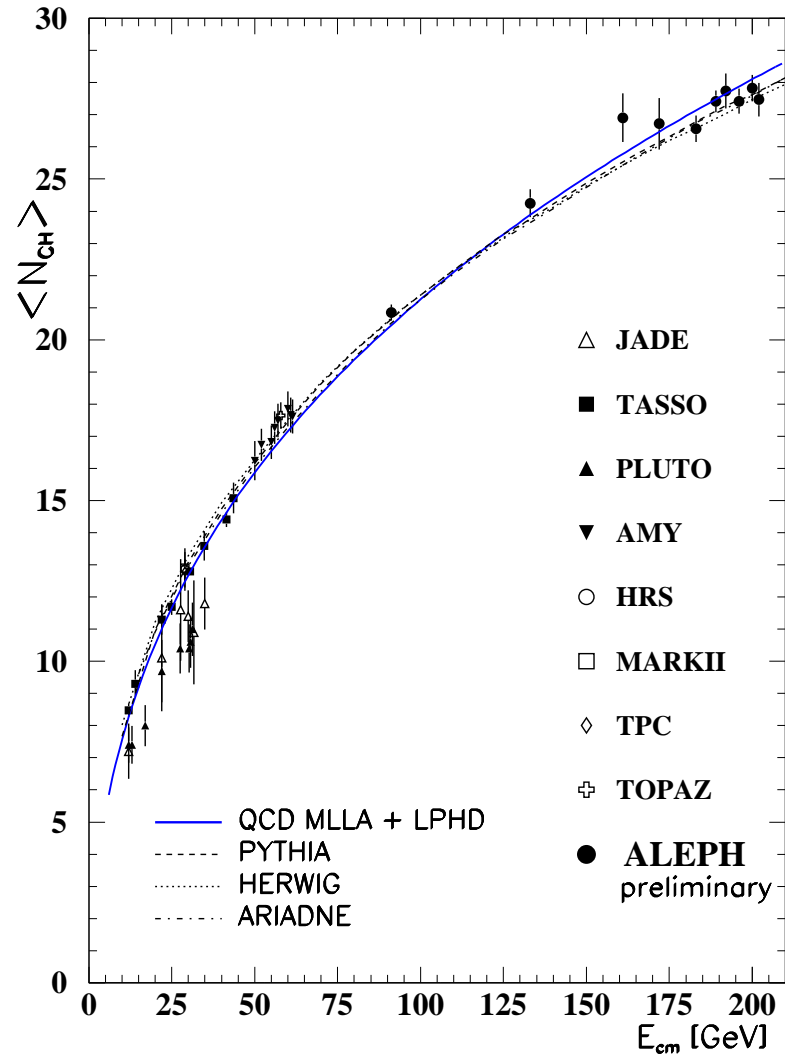
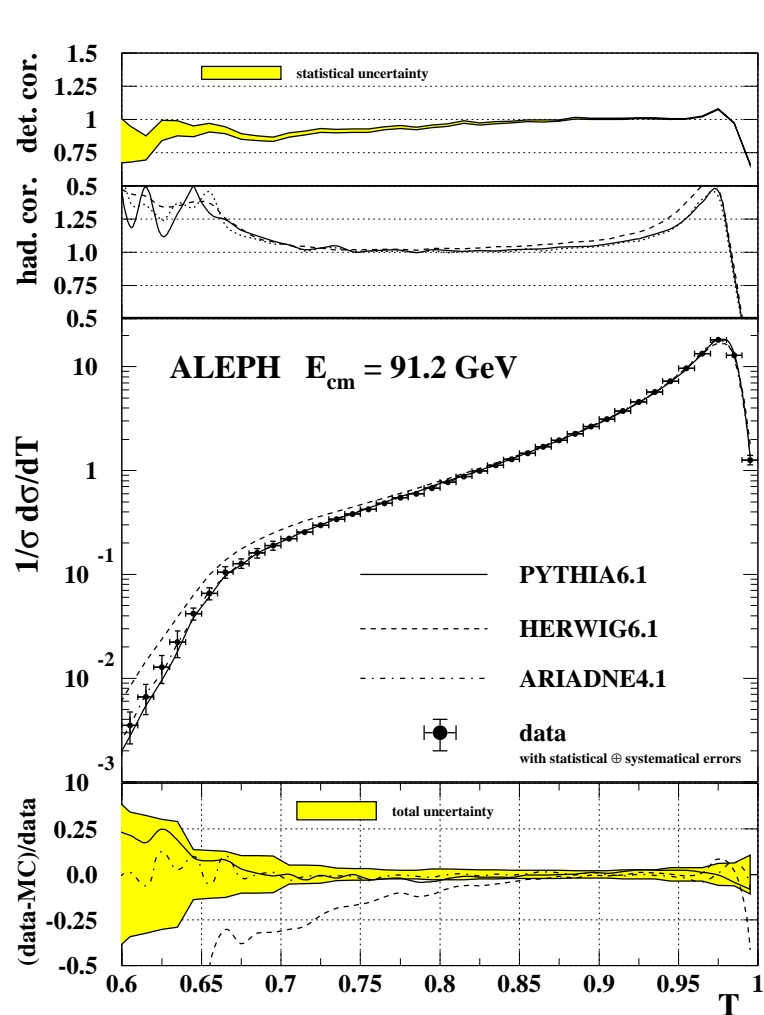
ARIADNE: $Q^2 = p_{\perp}^2$



large p_{\perp} first
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 ME merging simple
 $g \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ **messy**
 Lorentz invariant
 can stop/restart
ISR: more messy

Data comparisons

All three algorithms do a reasonable job of describing LEP data, but typically $\text{ARIADNE } (p_{\perp}^2) > \text{PYTHIA } (m^2) > \text{HERWIG } (\theta)$



... and programs evolve to do even better ...

Leading Log and Beyond

Neglecting Sudakovs, rate of one emission is:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{P}_{q \rightarrow qg} &\approx \int \frac{dQ^2}{Q^2} \int dz \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \frac{4}{3} \frac{1+z^2}{1-z} \\ &\approx \alpha_s \ln \left(\frac{Q_{\max}^2}{Q_{\min}^2} \right) \frac{8}{3} \ln \left(\frac{1-z_{\min}}{1-z_{\max}} \right) \sim \alpha_s \ln^2\end{aligned}$$

Rate for n emissions is of form:

$$\mathcal{P}_{q \rightarrow qng} \sim (\mathcal{P}_{q \rightarrow qg})^n \sim \alpha_s^n \ln^{2n}$$

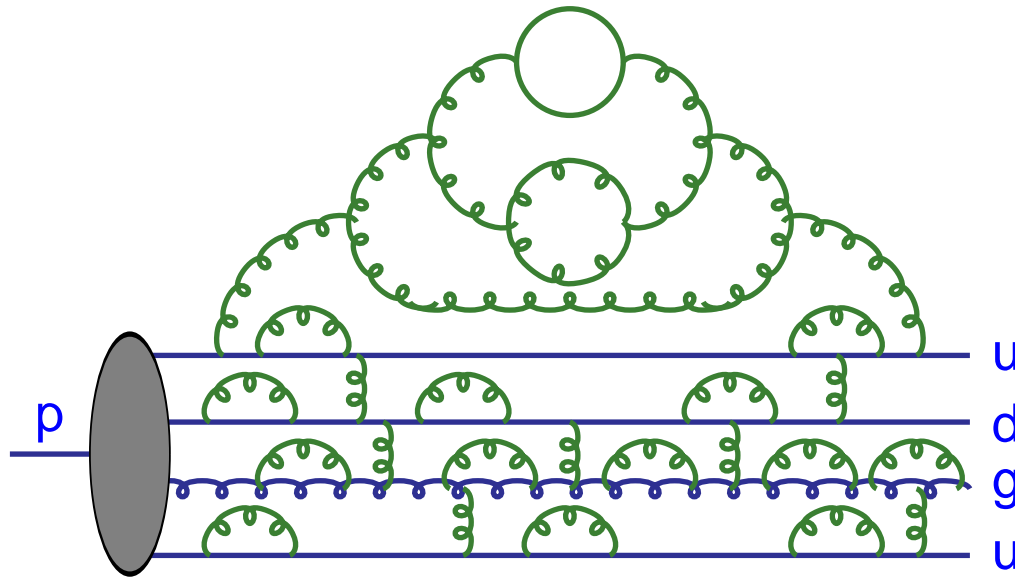
Next-to-leading log (NLL): inclusion of *all* corrections of type $\alpha_s^n \ln^{2n-1}$

No existing pp/p \bar{p} generator completely NLL, but

- energy-momentum conservation (and “recoil” effects)
 - coherence
 - $2/(1-z) \rightarrow (1+z^2)/(1-z)$
 - scale choice $\alpha_s(p_{\perp}^2)$ absorbs singular terms $\propto \ln z, \ln(1-z)$ in $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$ splitting kernels $P_{q \rightarrow qg}$ and $P_{g \rightarrow gg}$
 - ...
- \Rightarrow far better than naive, analytical LL

Parton Distribution Functions

Hadrons are composite, with time-dependent structure:



$f_i(x, Q^2)$ = number density of partons i
at momentum fraction x and probing scale Q^2 .

Linguistics (example):

$$F_2(x, Q^2) = \sum_i e_i^2 x f_i(x, Q^2)$$

structure function

parton distributions

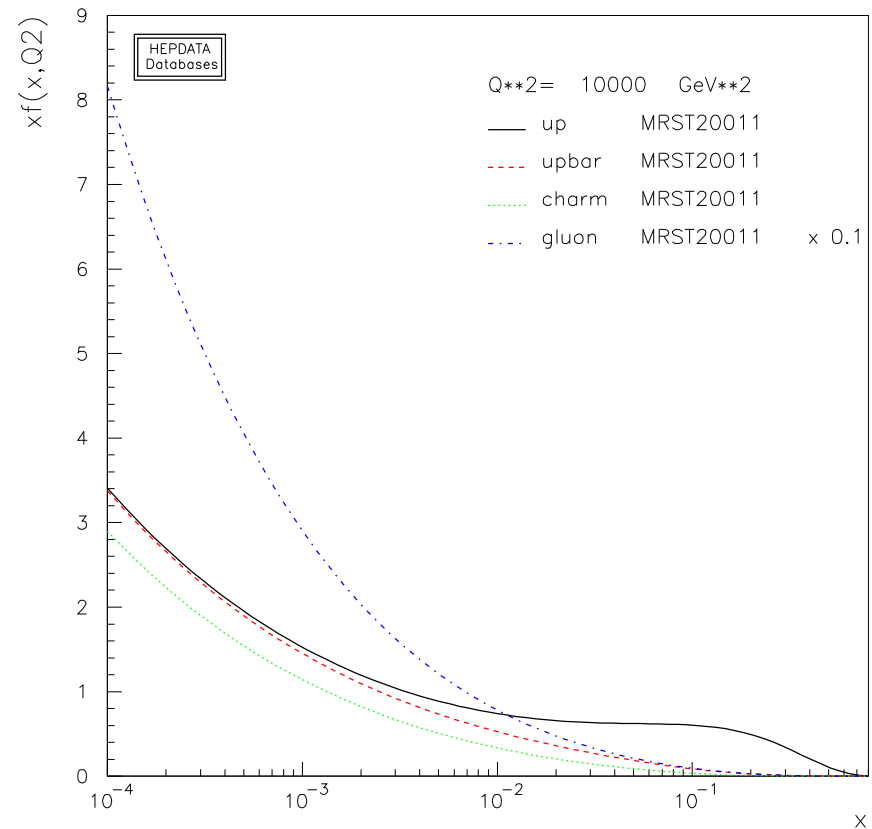
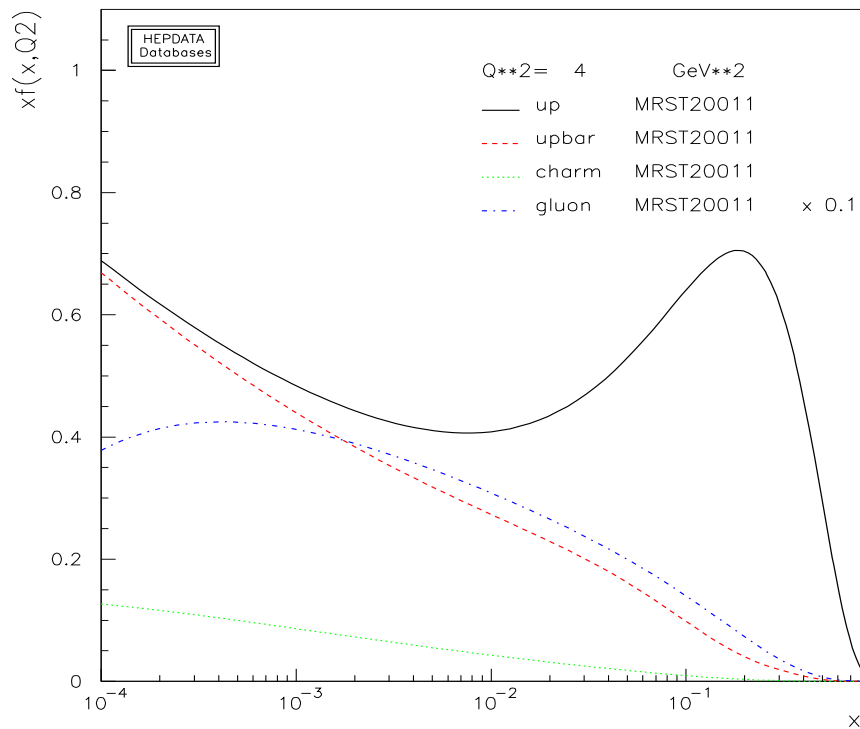
Absolute normalization at small Q_0^2 unknown.

Resolution dependence by DGLAP:

$$\frac{df_b(x, Q^2)}{d(\ln Q^2)} = \sum_a \int_x^1 \frac{dz}{z} f_a(x', Q^2) \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{a \rightarrow bc} \left(z = \frac{x}{x'} \right)$$

$Q^2 = 4 \text{ GeV}^2$

$Q^2 = 10000 \text{ GeV}^2$

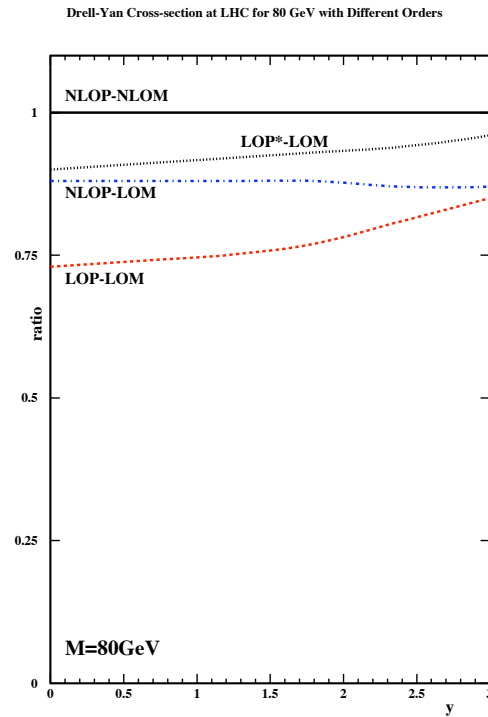
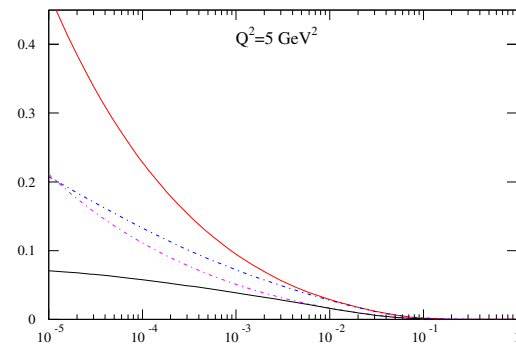
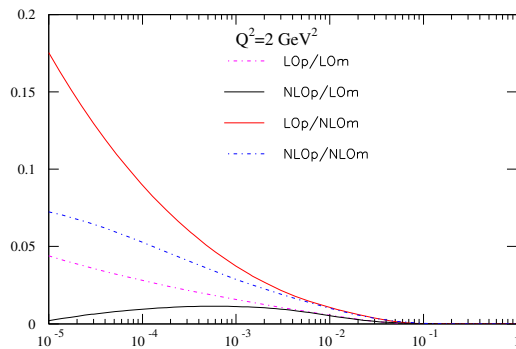


For cross section calculations NLO PDF's are combined with NLO σ 's.
 Gives significantly better description of data than LO can.

But NLO \Rightarrow parton model not valid, e.g. $g(x, Q^2)$ can be negative.

Not convenient for LO showers, nor for many LO ME's.

Recent revived interest in modified LO sets, e.g. by Thorne & Sherstnev:
 allow $\sum_i \int_0^1 x f_i(x, Q^2) dx > 1$; around ~ 1.15



$$pp \rightarrow jj$$

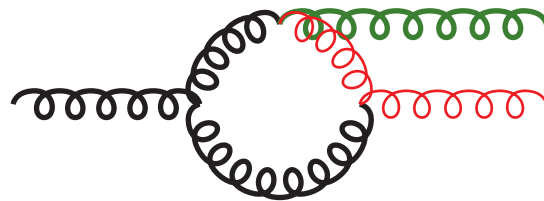
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LO	LO	149.8	1.22
NLO	LO	115.7	1.58
LO*	LO	177.5	1.03

$$pp \rightarrow H$$

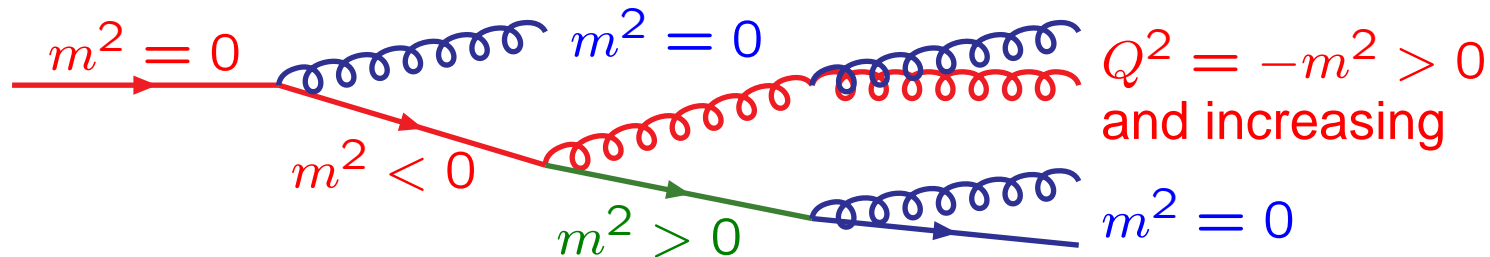
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NLO	NLO	38.0	
LO	LO	22.4	1.70
NLO	LO	20.3	1.87
LO*	LO	32.4	1.17

Initial-State Shower Basics

- Parton cascades in p are continuously born and recombined.
- Structure at Q is resolved at a time $t \sim 1/Q$ *before* collision.
- A hard scattering at Q^2 probes fluctuations up to that scale.
- A hard scattering inhibits full recombination of the cascade.



- Convenient reinterpretation:



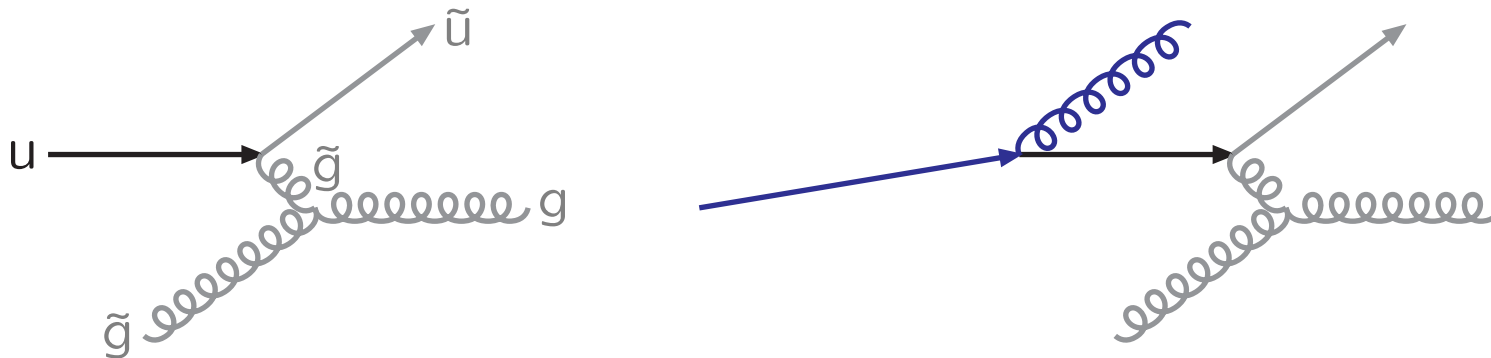
Event generation could be addressed by **forwards evolution**:
pick a complete partonic set at low Q_0 and evolve, see what happens.

Inefficient:

- 1) have to evolve and check for *all* potential collisions, but 99.9...% inert
- 2) impossible to steer the production e.g. of a narrow resonance (Higgs)

Backwards evolution

Backwards evolution is viable and \sim equivalent alternative:
start at hard interaction and trace what happened “before”



Monte Carlo approach, based on *conditional probability*: recast

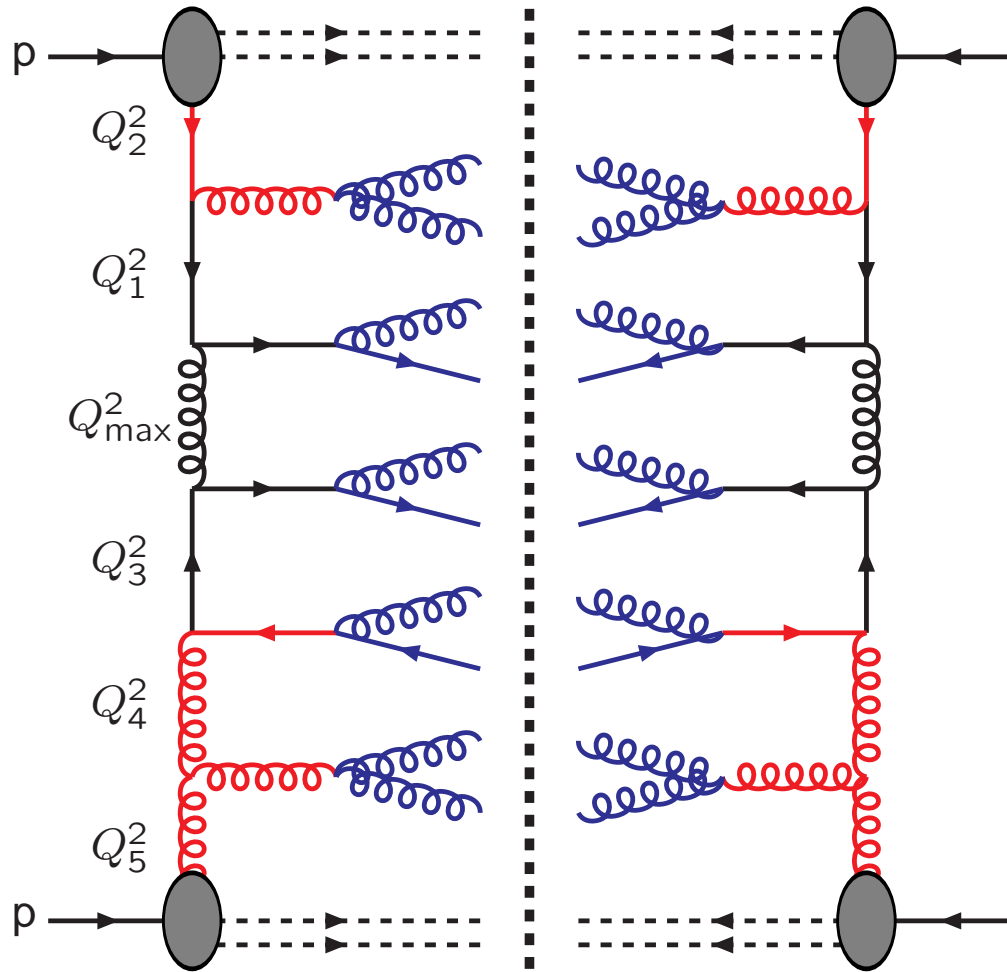
$$\frac{df_b(x, Q^2)}{dt} = \sum_a \int_x^1 \frac{dz}{z} f_a(x', Q^2) \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{a \rightarrow bc}(z)$$

with $t = \ln(Q^2/\Lambda^2)$ and $z = x/x'$ to

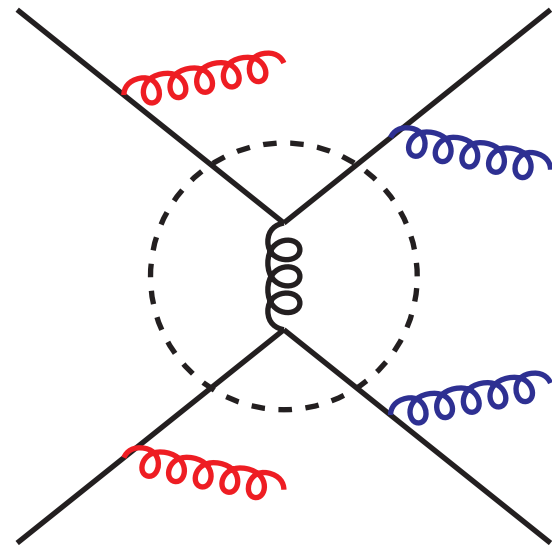
$$d\mathcal{P}_b = \frac{df_b}{f_b} = |dt| \sum_a \int dz \frac{x' f_a(x', t)}{x f_b(x, t)} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{a \rightarrow bc}(z)$$

then solve for *decreasing* t , i.e. backwards in time,
starting at high Q^2 and moving towards lower,
with Sudakov form factor $\exp(-\int d\mathcal{P}_b)$

Ladder representation combines whole event:



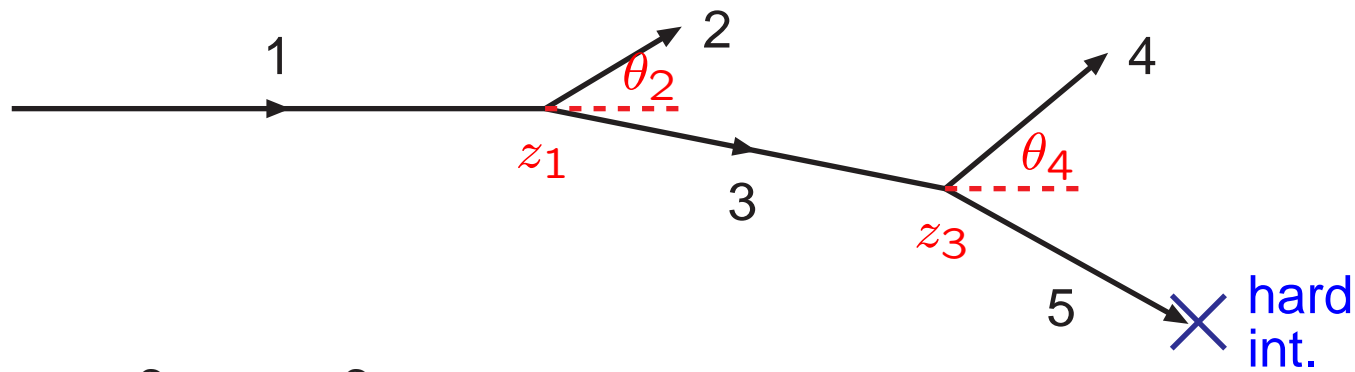
cf. previously:



- One possible
Monte Carlo order:
- 1) Hard scattering
 - 2) Initial-state shower
from center outwards
 - 3) Final-state showers

DGLAP: $Q_{\max}^2 > Q_1^2 > Q_2^2 \sim Q_0^2$
 $Q_{\max}^2 > Q_3^2 > Q_4^2 > Q_5^2 \sim Q_0^2$

Coherence in spacelike showers



with $Q^2 = -m^2 = \text{spacelike virtuality}$

- kinematics only:

$$Q_3^2 > z_1 Q_1^2, Q_5^2 > z_3 Q_3^2, \dots$$

i.e. Q_i^2 need not even be ordered

- coherence of leading collinear singularities:

$$Q_5^2 > Q_3^2 > Q_1^2, \text{ i.e. } Q^2 \text{ ordered}$$

- coherence of leading soft singularities (more messy):

$$E_3 \theta_4 > E_1 \theta_2, \text{ i.e. } z_1 \theta_4 > \theta_2$$

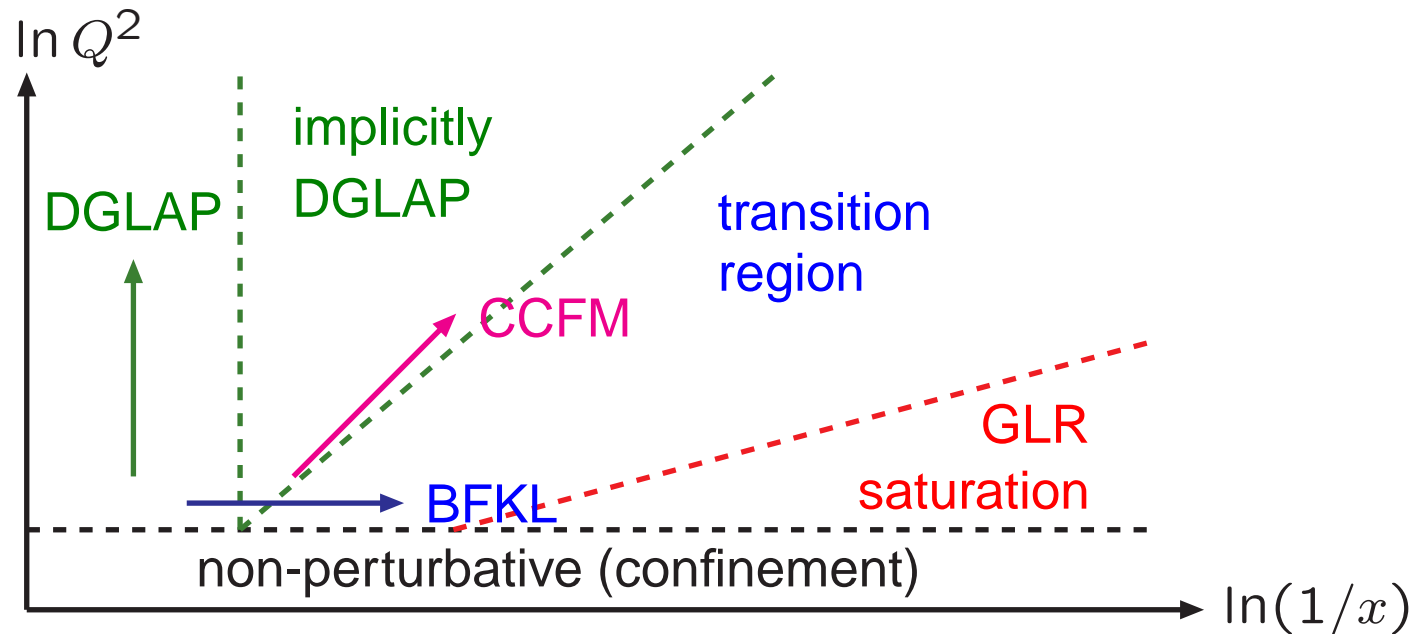
$$z \ll 1: E_1 \theta_2 \approx p_{\perp 2}^2 \approx Q_3^2, E_3 \theta_4 \approx p_{\perp 4}^2 \approx Q_5^2$$

i.e. reduces to Q^2 ordering as above

$$z \approx 1: \theta_4 > \theta_2, \text{ i.e. angular ordering of soft gluons}$$

\implies reduced phase space

Evolution procedures



DGLAP: Dokshitzer–Gribov–Lipatov–Altarelli–Parisi
evolution towards larger Q^2 and (implicitly) towards smaller x

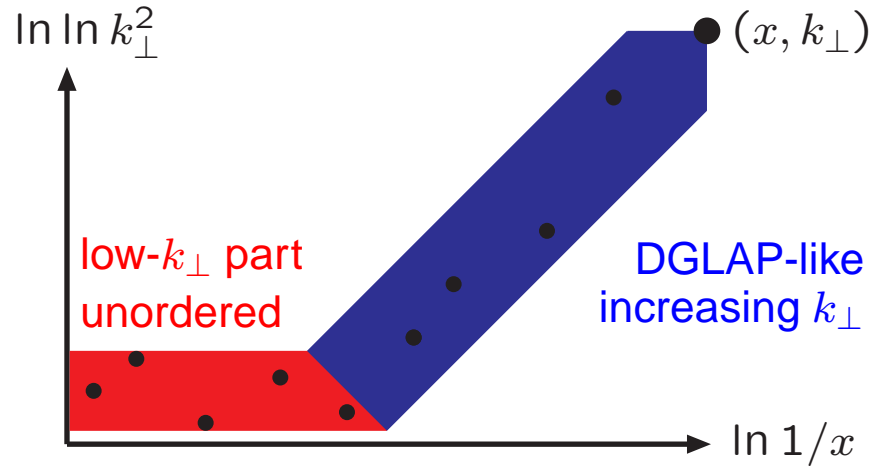
BFKL: Balitsky–Fadin–Kuraev–Lipatov
evolution towards smaller x (with small, unordered Q^2)

CCFM: Ciafaloni–Catani–Fiorani–Marchesini
interpolation of DGLAP and BFKL

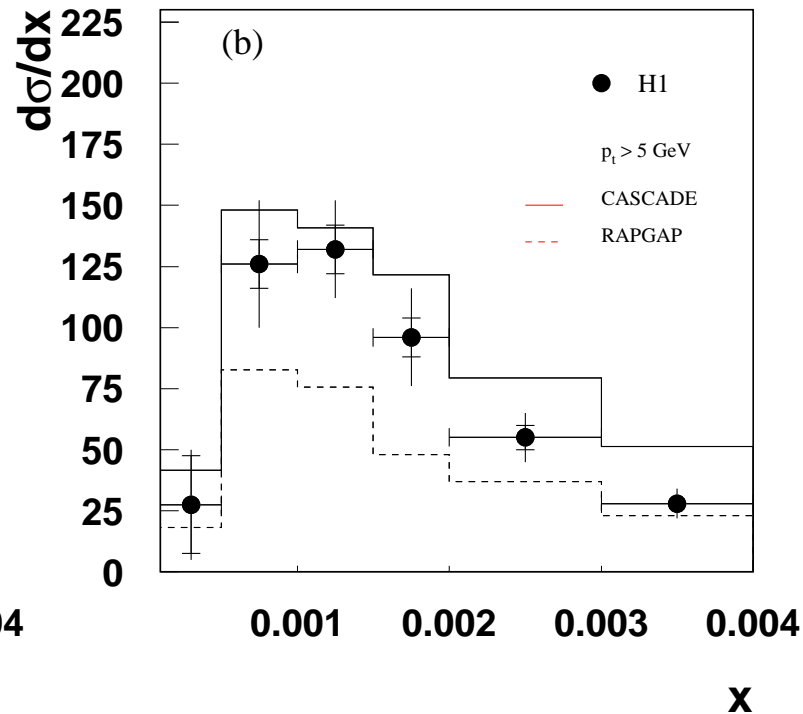
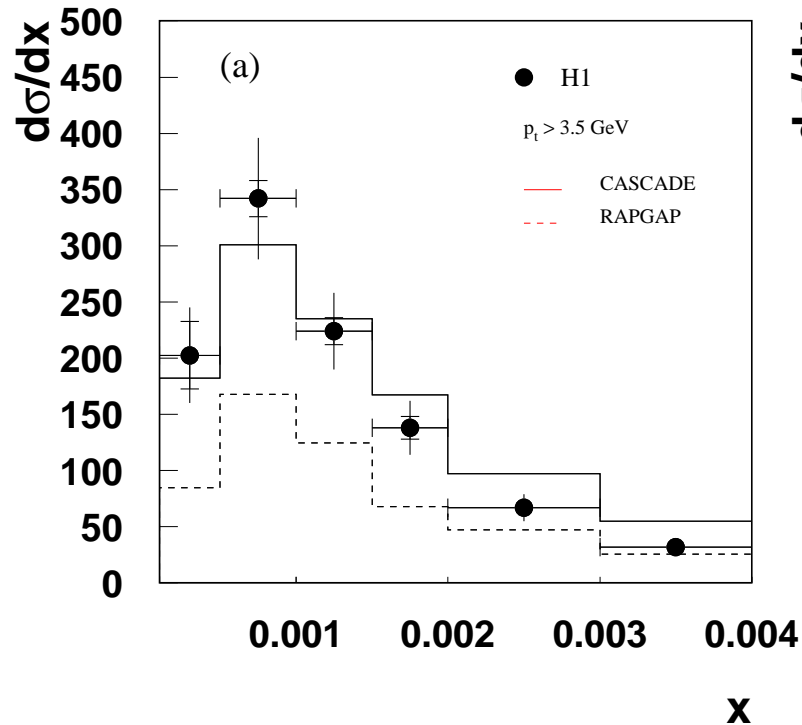
GLR: Gribov–Levin–Ryskin
nonlinear equation in dense-packing (saturation) region,
where partons recombine, not only branch

Initial-State Shower Comparison

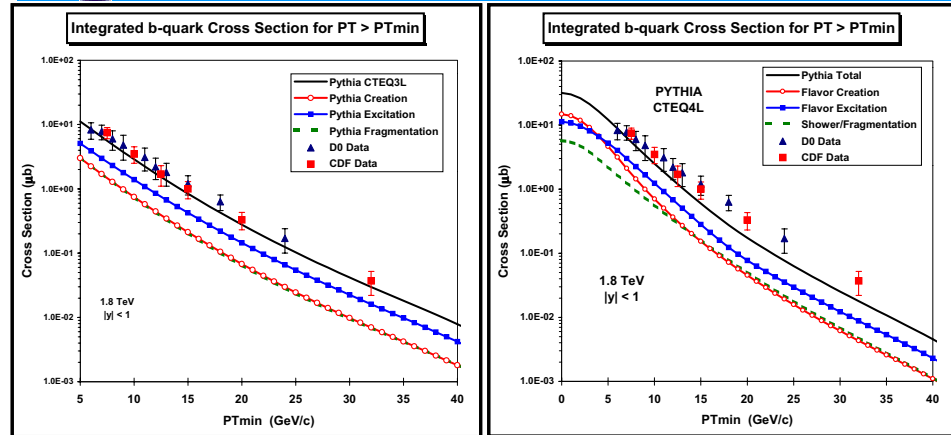
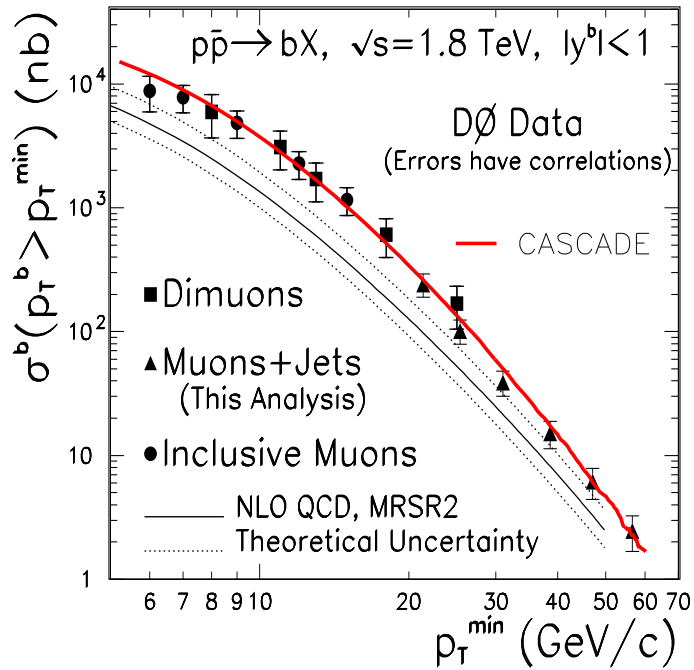
Two(?) CCFM Generators:
 (SMALLX (Marchesini, Webber))
 CASCADE (Jung, Salam)
 LDC (Gustafson, Lönnblad):
 reformulated initial/final rad.
 \Rightarrow eliminate non-Sudakov



Test 1) forward (= p direction) jet activity at HERA



2) Heavy flavour production



Data on the integrated b-quark total cross section ($P_T > P_{Tmin}, |y| < 1$) for proton-antiproton collisions at 1.8 TeV compared with the QCD Monte-Carlo model predictions of PYTHIA 6.115 (CTEQ3L) and PYTHIA 6.158 (CTEQ4L). The four curves correspond to the contribution from **flavor creation**, **flavor excitation**, **shower/fragmentation**, and the resulting total.

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but also explained by DGLAP with leading order pair creation
 + flavour excitation (\approx unordered chains)
 + gluon splitting (final-state radiation)

CCFM requires off-shell ME's + unintegrated parton densities

$$F(x, Q^2) = \int_{k_{\perp}^2}^{Q^2} \frac{dk_{\perp}^2}{k_{\perp}^2} \mathcal{F}(x, k_{\perp}^2) + (\text{suppressed with } k_{\perp}^2 > Q^2)$$

so not ready for prime time in pp

Initial- vs. final-state showers

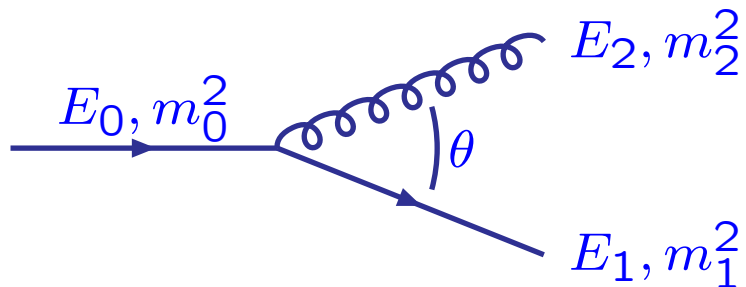
Both controlled by same evolution equations

$$d\mathcal{P}_{a \rightarrow bc} = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \frac{dQ^2}{Q^2} P_{a \rightarrow bc}(z) dz \cdot \text{(Sudakov)}$$

but

Final-state showers:

Q^2 timelike ($\sim m^2$)



decreasing E, m^2, θ

both daughters $m^2 \geq 0$

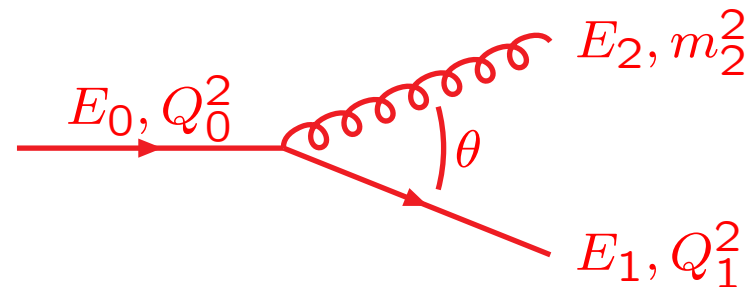
physics relatively simple

\Rightarrow “minor” variations:

Q^2 , shower vs. dipole, ...

Initial-state showers:

Q^2 spacelike ($\approx -m^2$)



decreasing E , increasing Q^2, θ

one daughter $m^2 \geq 0$, one $m^2 < 0$

physics more complicated

\Rightarrow more formalisms:

DGLAP, BFKL, CCFM, GLR, ...

Future of showers

Showers still evolving:

HERWIG has new evolution variable better suited for heavy particles

$$\tilde{q}^2 = \frac{q^2}{z^2(1-z)^2} + \frac{m^2}{z^2} \quad \text{for } q \rightarrow qg$$

Gives smooth coverage of soft-gluon region, no overlapping regions in FSR phase space, but larger dead region.

PYTHIA has moved to p_{\perp} -ordered showers

(borrowing some of ARIADNE dipole approach, but still showers)

$$p_{\perp\text{evol}}^2 = z(1-z)Q^2 = z(1-z)M^2 \quad \text{for FSR}$$

$$p_{\perp\text{evol}}^2 = (1-z)Q^2 = (1-z)(-M^2) \quad \text{for ISR}$$

Guarantees better coherence for FSR, hopefully also better for ISR.

SHERPA moves from mass-ordered (\sim PYTHIA) showers to p_{\perp} -ordered (Catani-Seymour) dipoles

Some new dipole shower programs, such as VINCIA

However, main evolution is *matching to matrix elements*

Provisional Summary

- A generator acts as the bridge between parton-level predictions and experimental reality.
- Based on a divide-and-conquer approach.
- Quantum mechanics \Rightarrow probabilities.
- Not strict time ordering, but conditional ordering from hard to soft scales.
- Parton showers one key aspect of event generators. These are continuously being evolved.
- Central tool: Sudakov form factor \Rightarrow consistent probabilistic formulation to “all orders”.

To be continued tomorrow:

- In recent years more emphasis on the matching between matrix elements and parton showers.
- Largely driven by increased capacity for higher-order loop and, in particular, leg calculations.
- So far only one hard scattering, no underlying event, no hadronization.