

New results for parton showers

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at colliders, you can probe

“big unanswered questions”

about fundamental particles & their interactions
(dark matter, matter-antimatter asymmetry,
nature of dark energy, hierarchy of scales...)

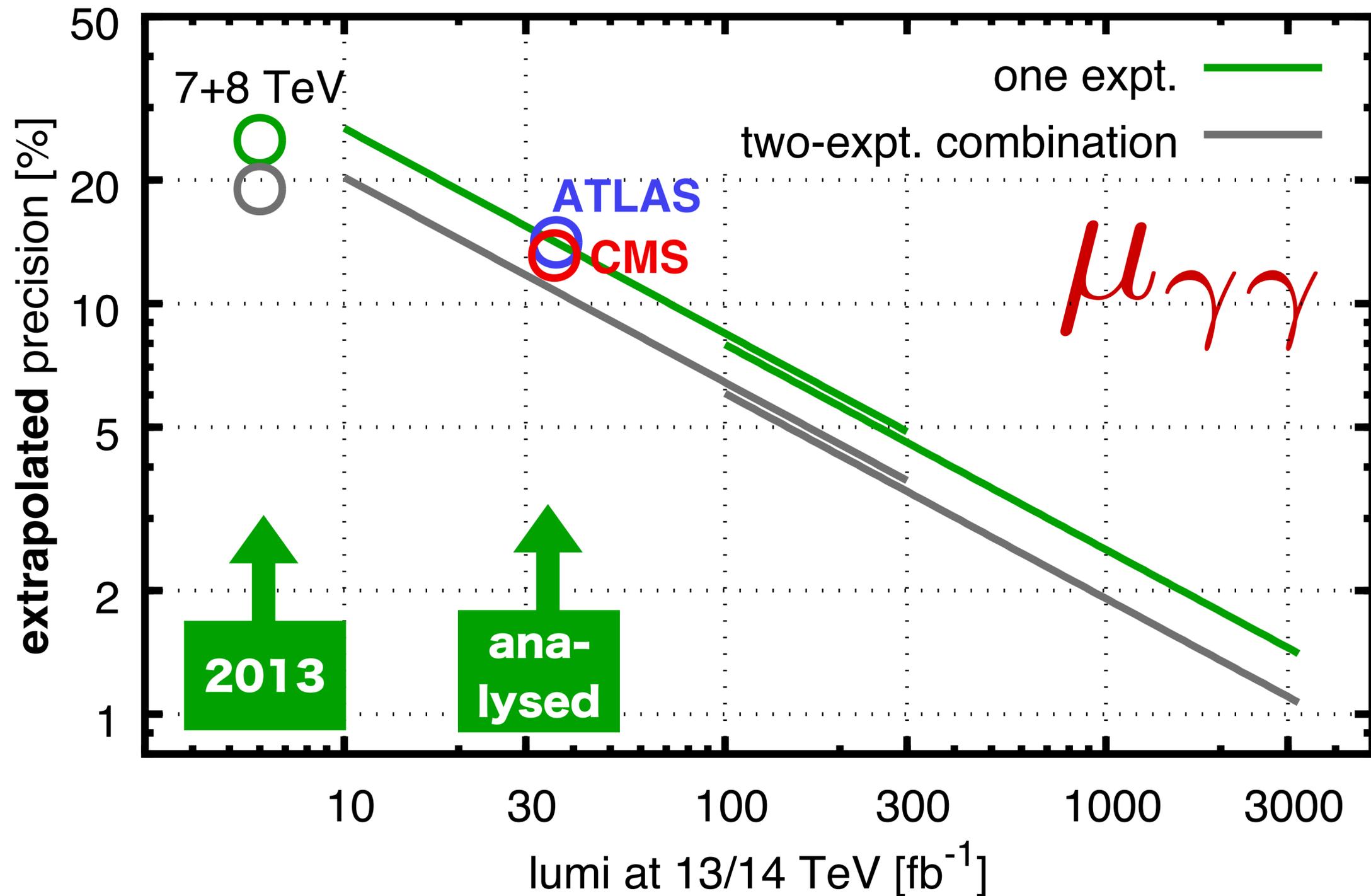
and

“big answerable questions”

(structure of Higgs sector, determining fundamental
parameters of Lagrangian of particle physics)

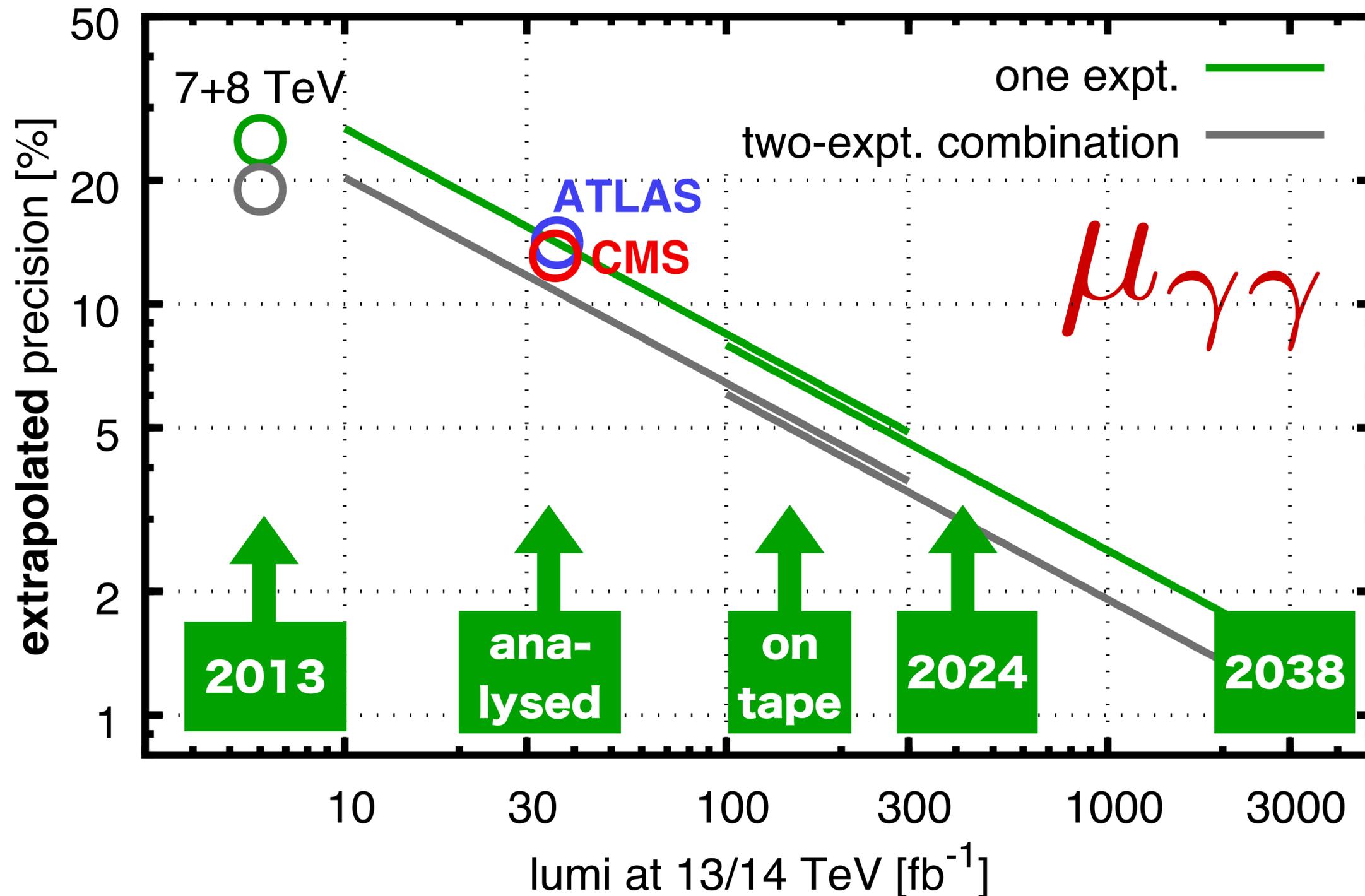
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The LHC has the statistical potential to take Higgs physics from “observation” to 1–2% precision

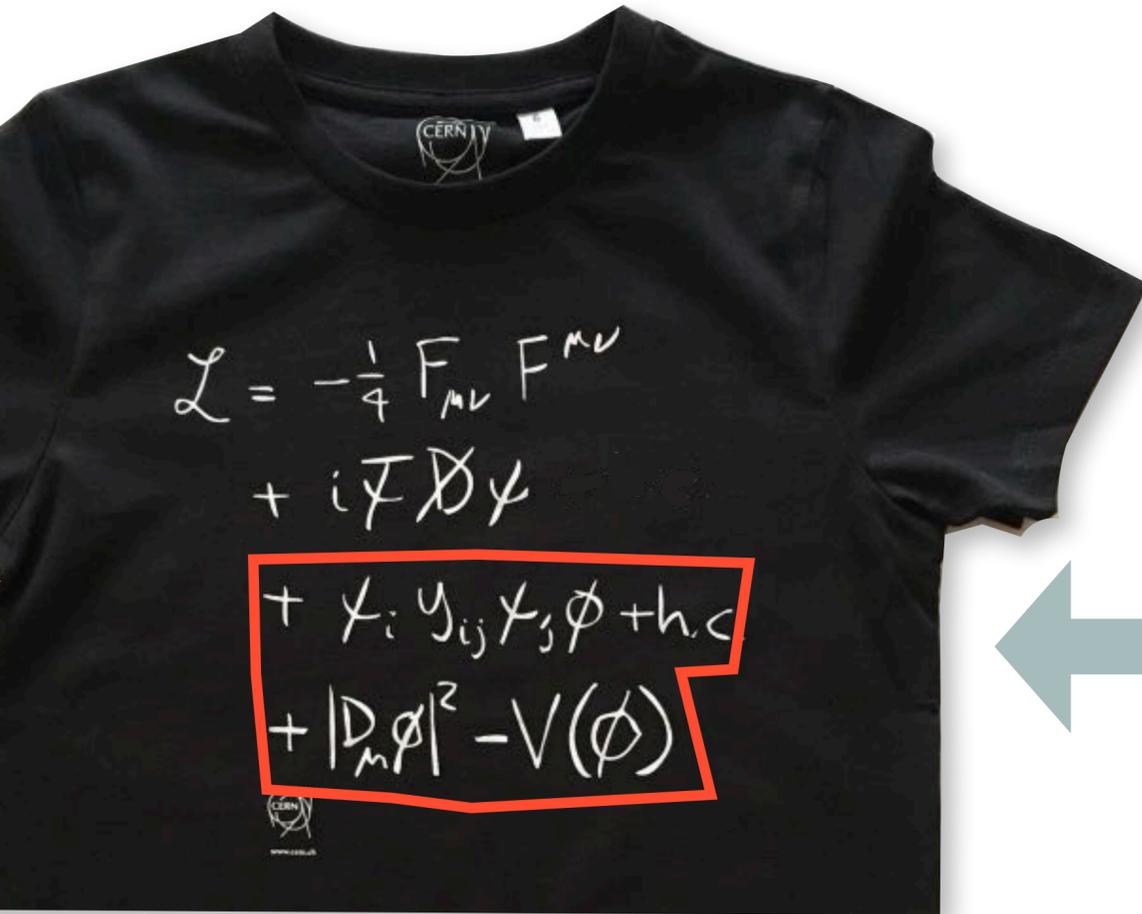
But only if we learn how to connect experimental observations with theory at that precision

1 fb^{-1} = 10^{14} collisions

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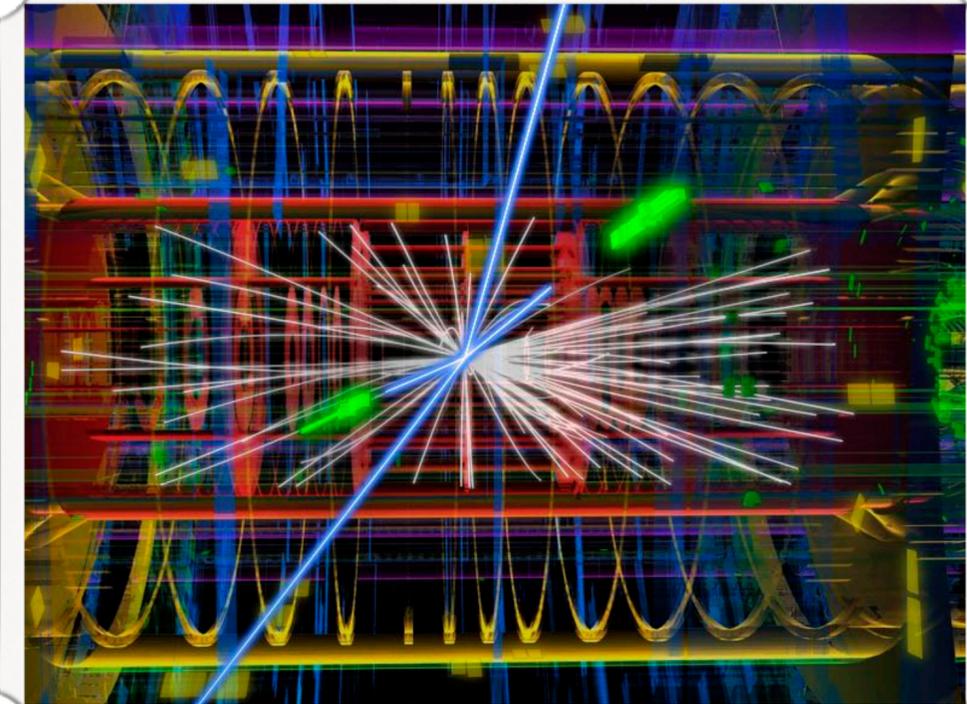
whether new-physics searches, Higgs physics, or other SM studies

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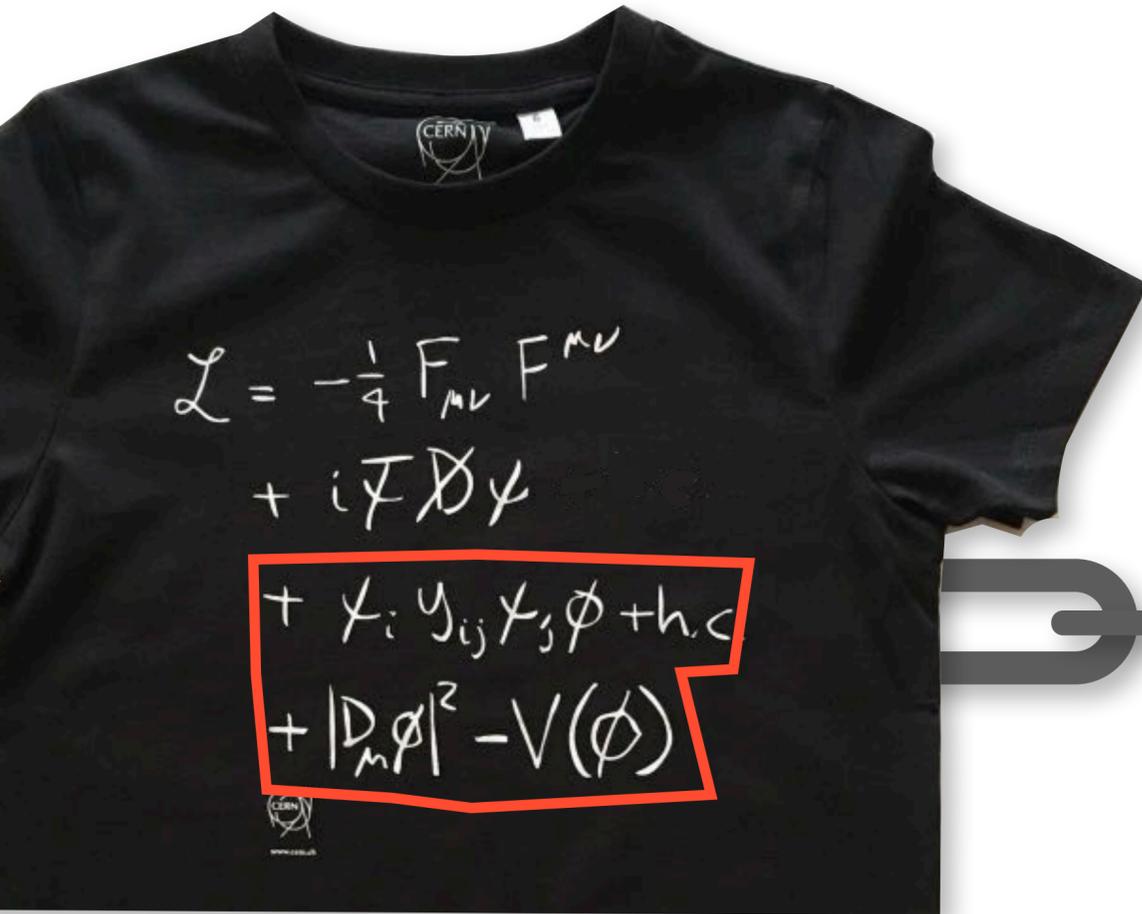


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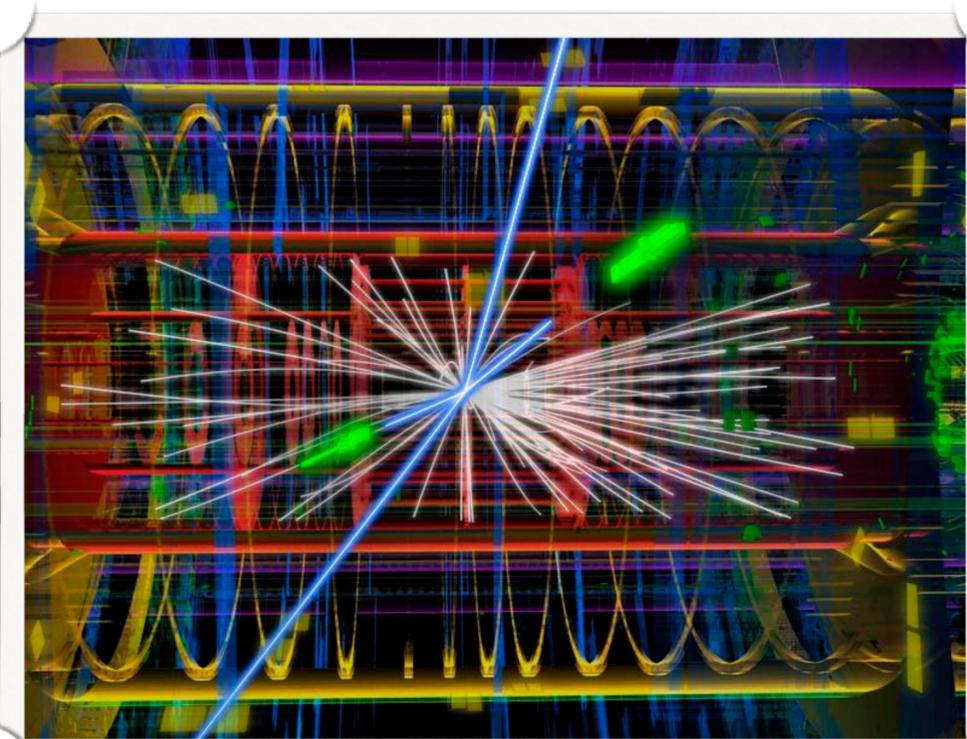


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*through a chain
of experimental
and theoretical links*

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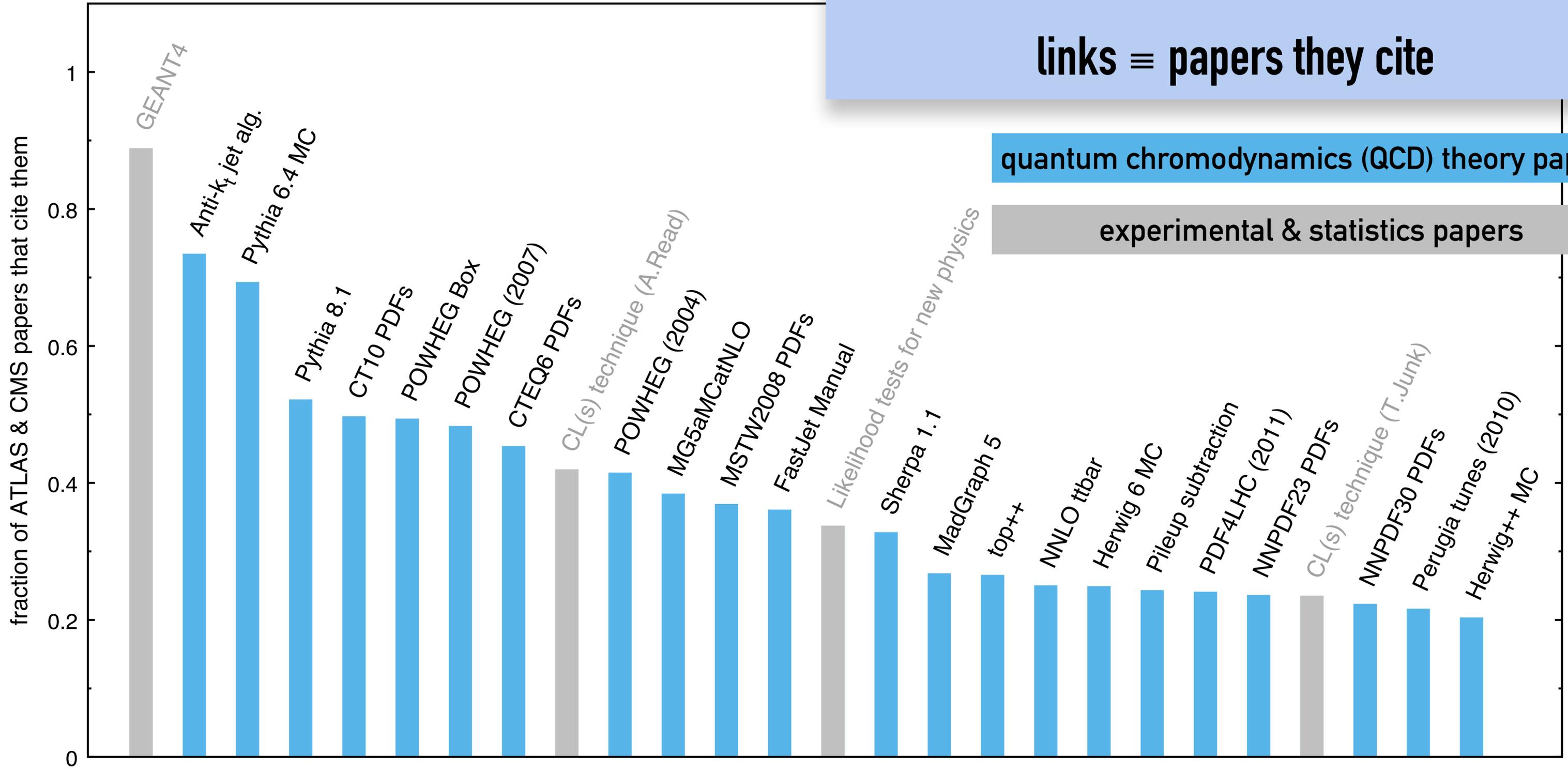
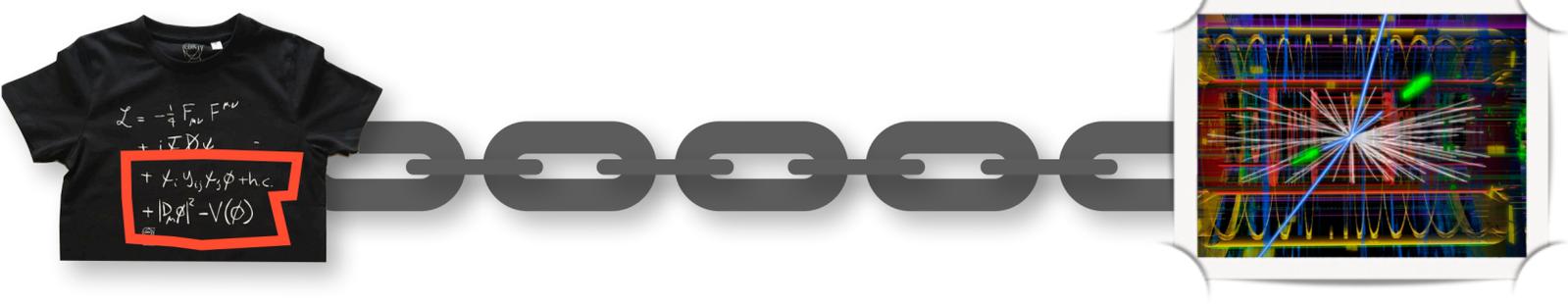


[in particular Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD)]

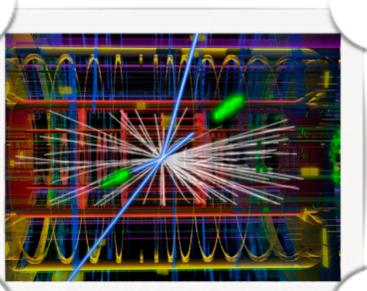
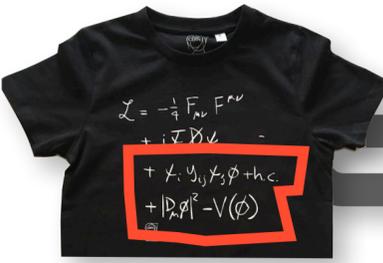
What are the links?

ATLAS and CMS (big LHC expts.) have written 850 articles since 2014

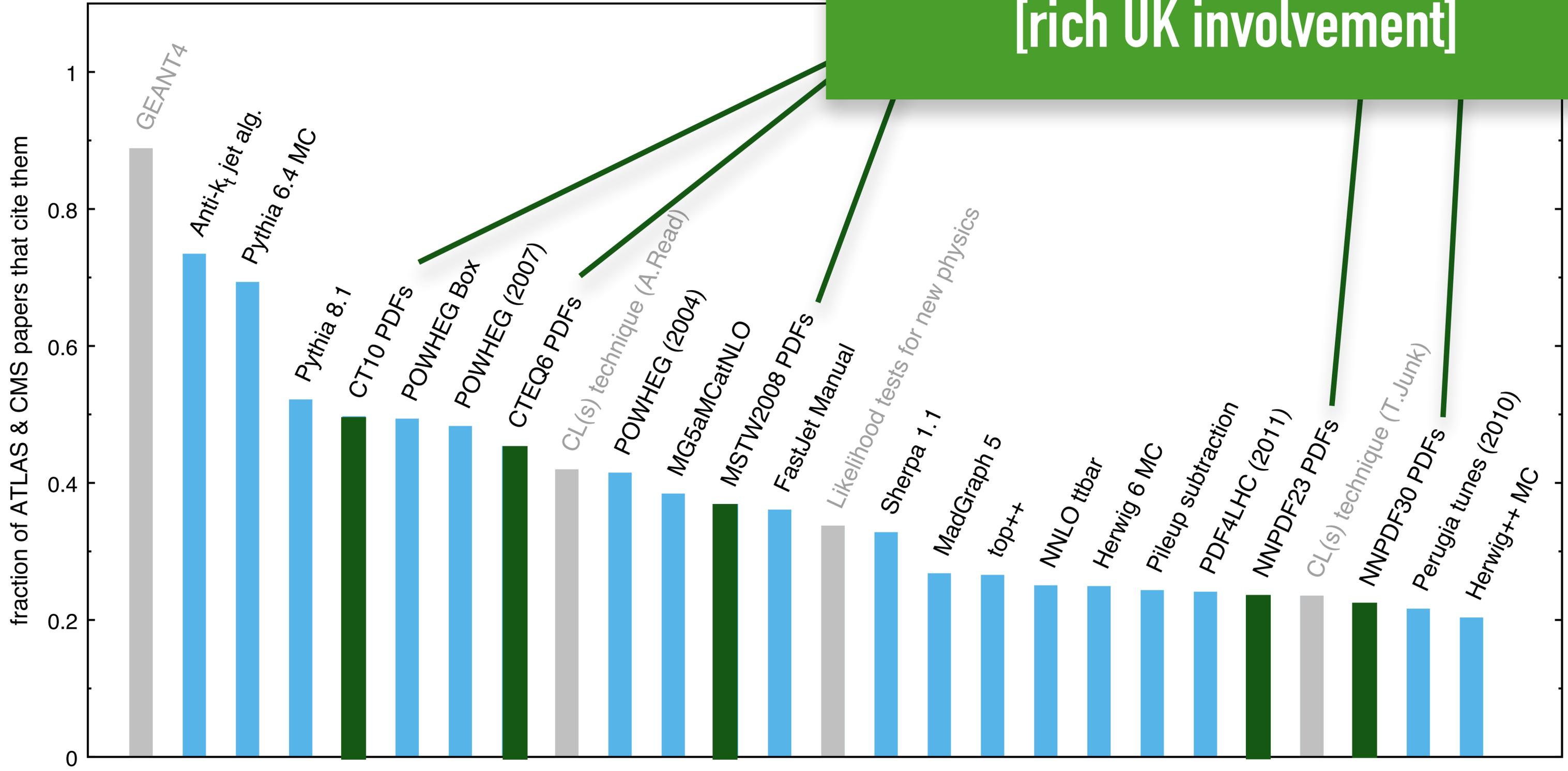
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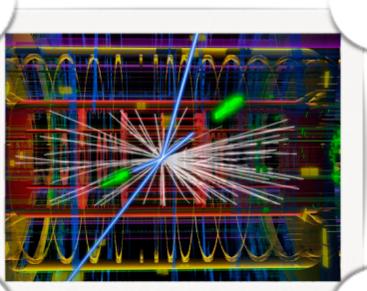
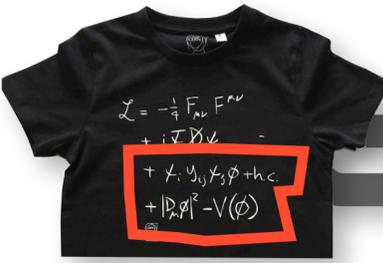
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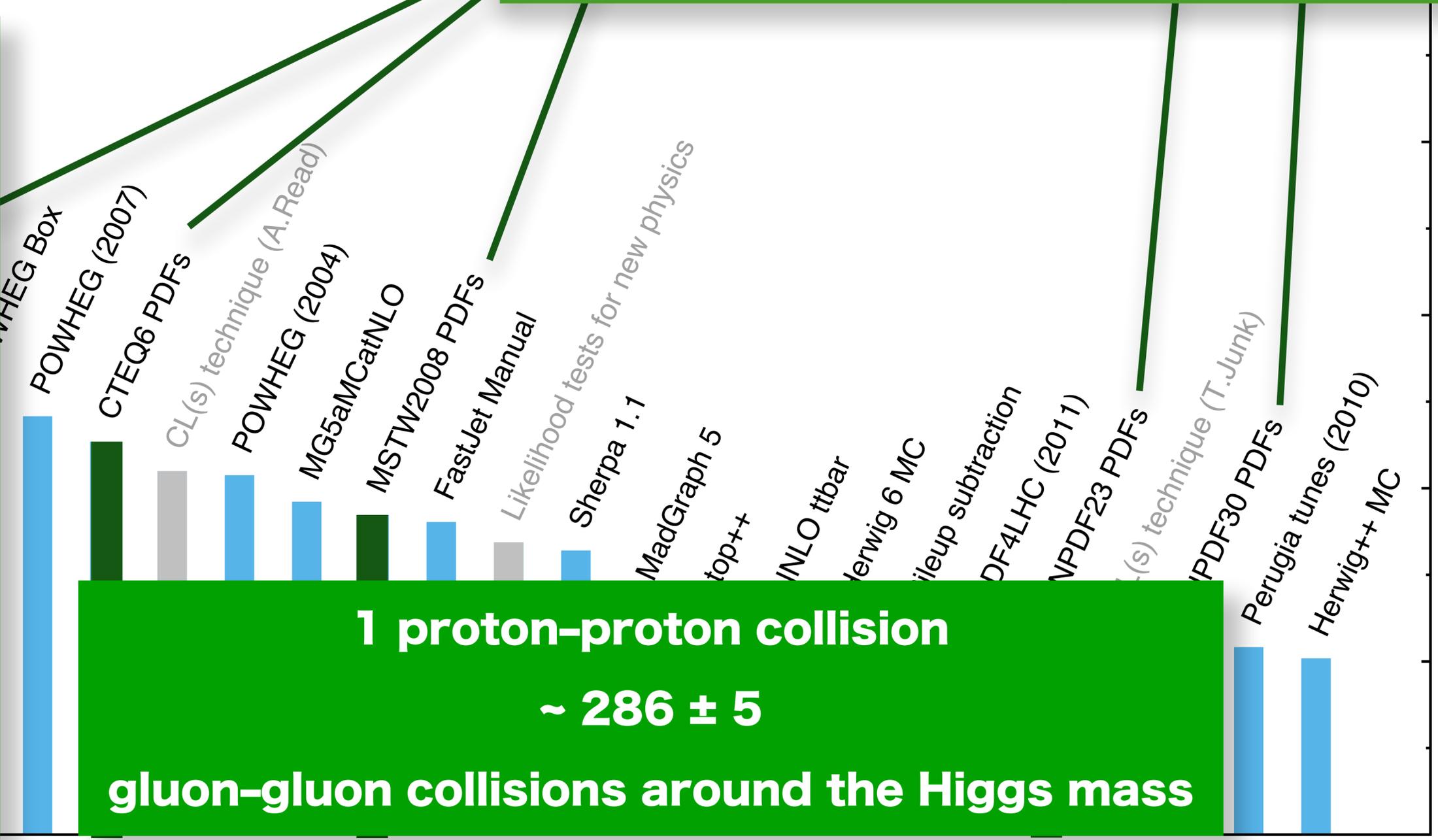
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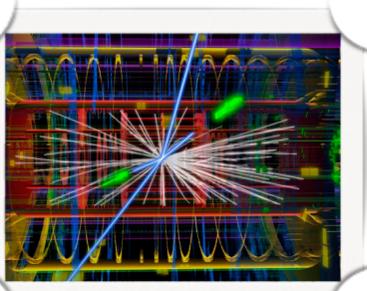
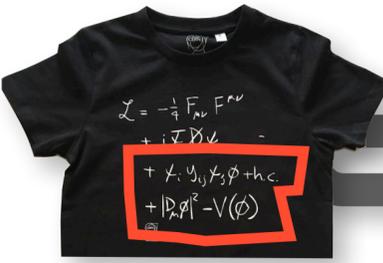
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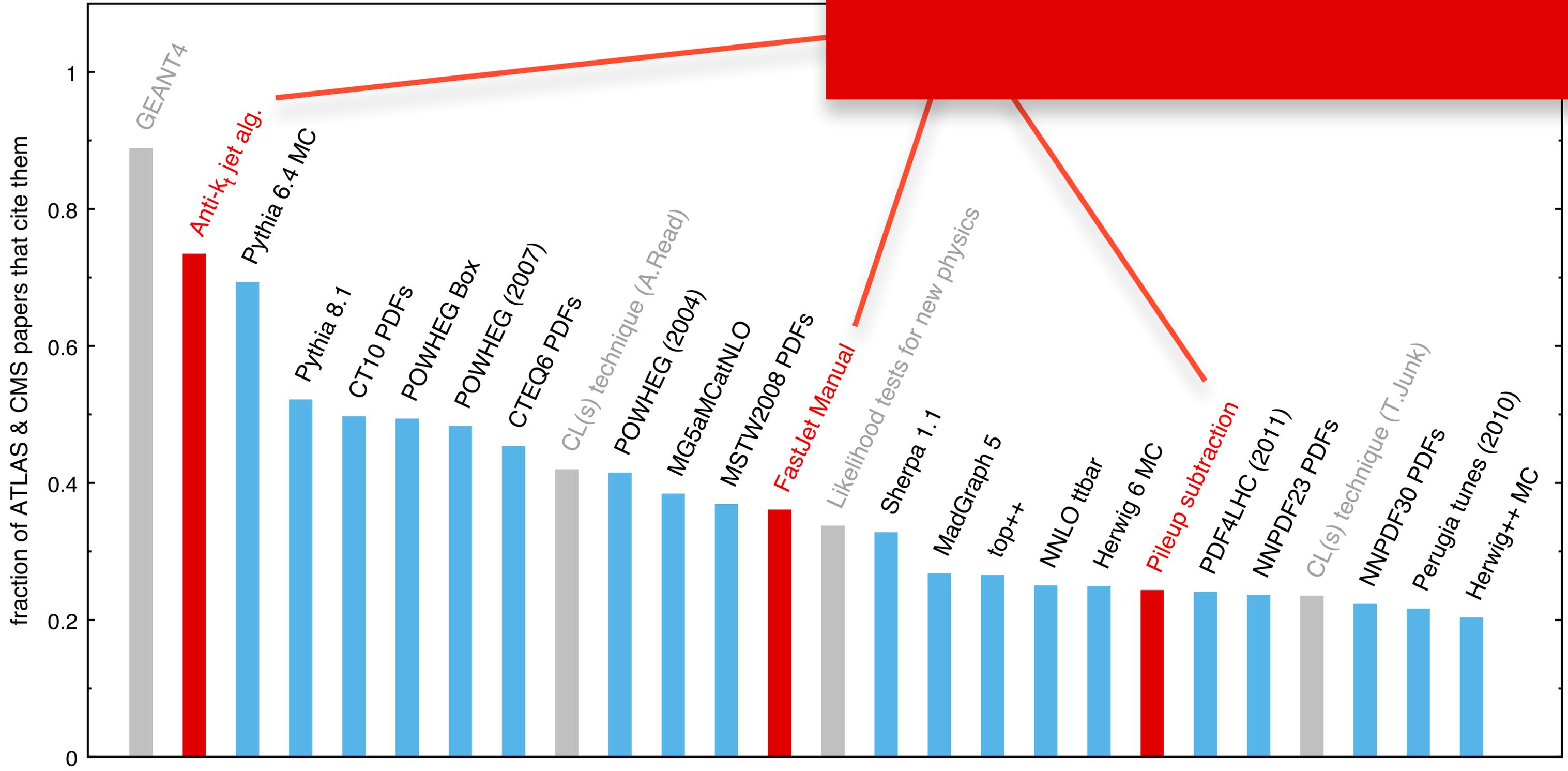
The diagram shows a proton composed of two up quarks (u), two down quarks (d), and gluons (g). The quarks are represented by colored circles: red for up and blue for down. Gluons are represented by purple and green circles.



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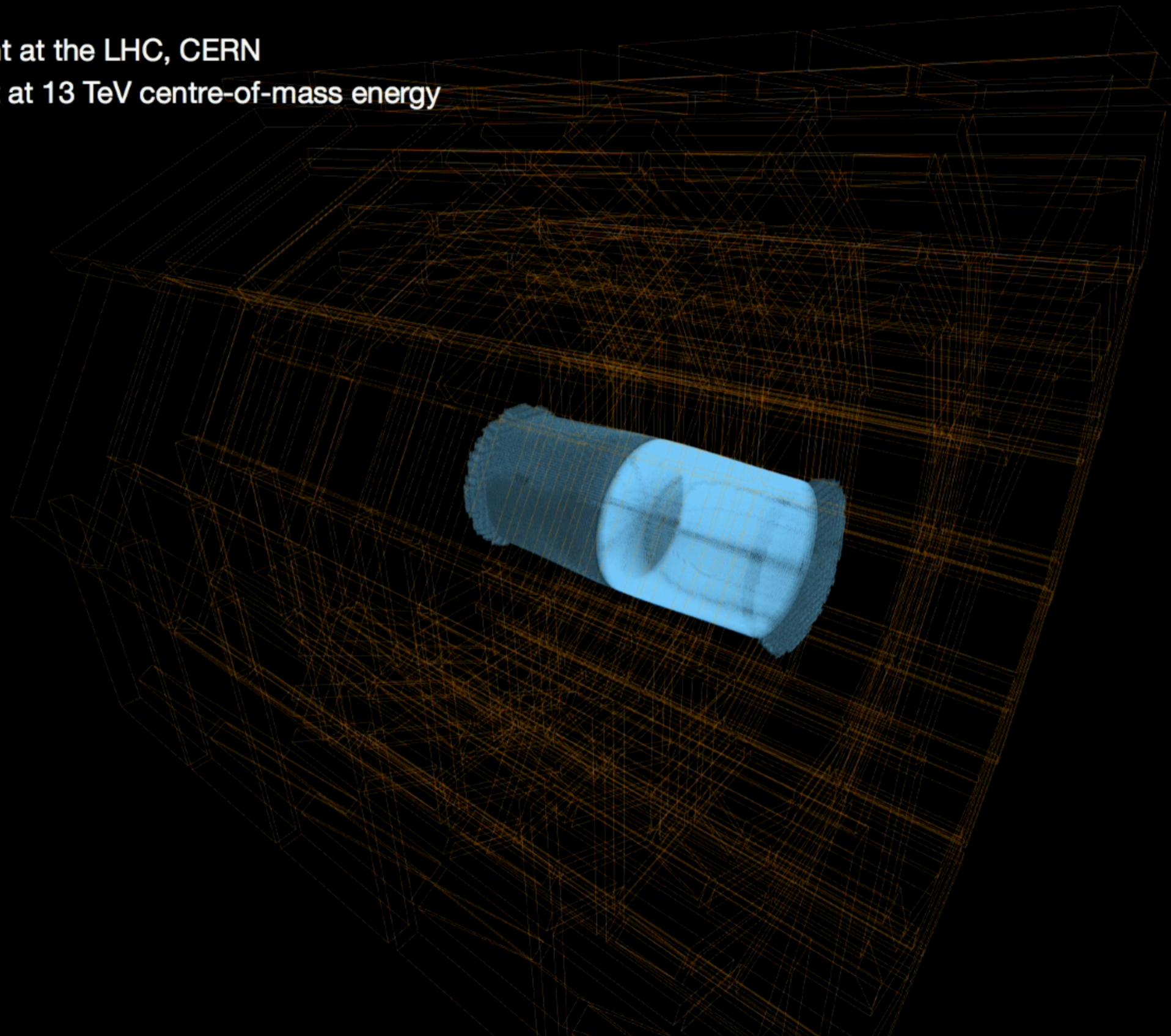
organising event information ("jets")



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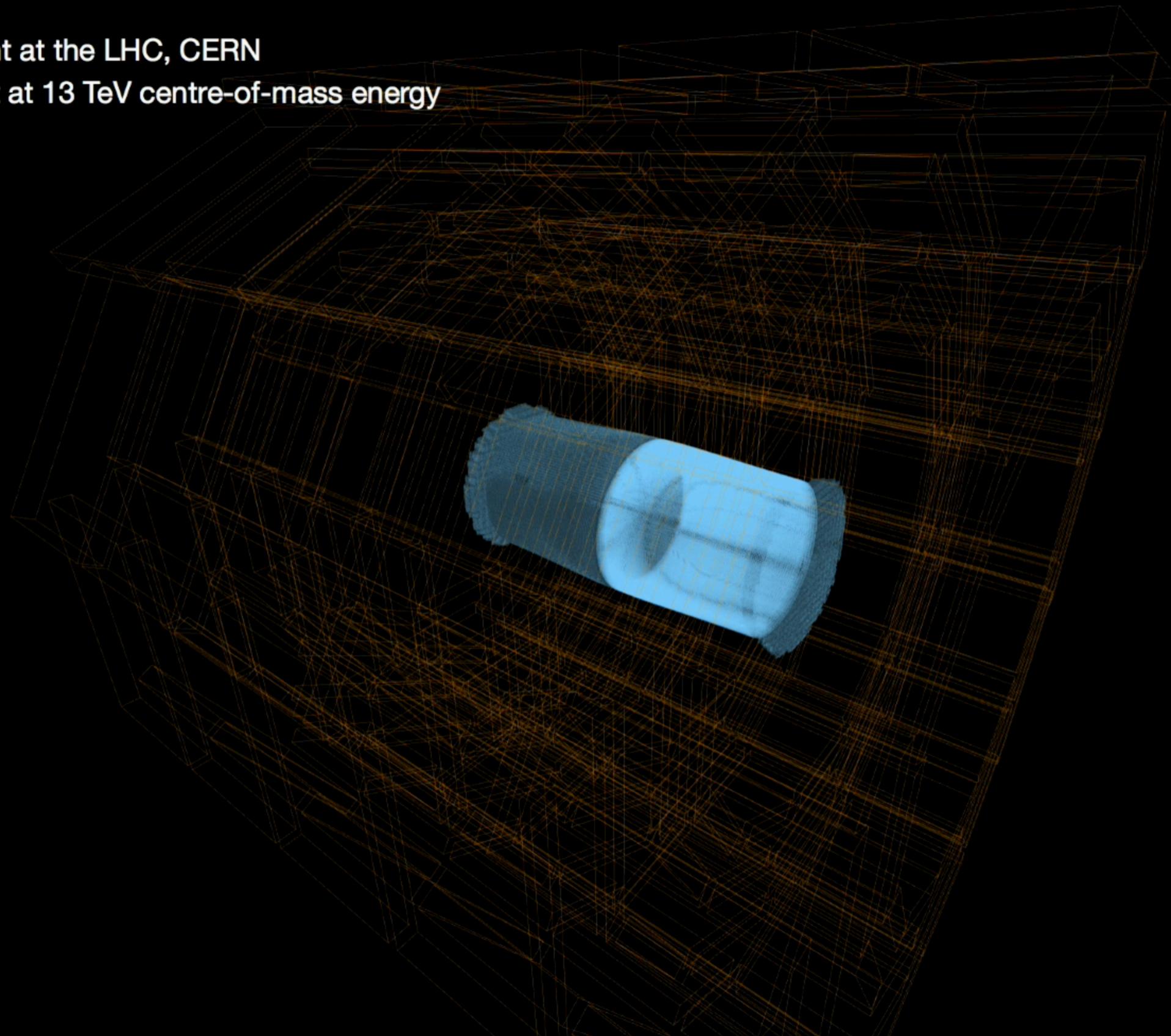


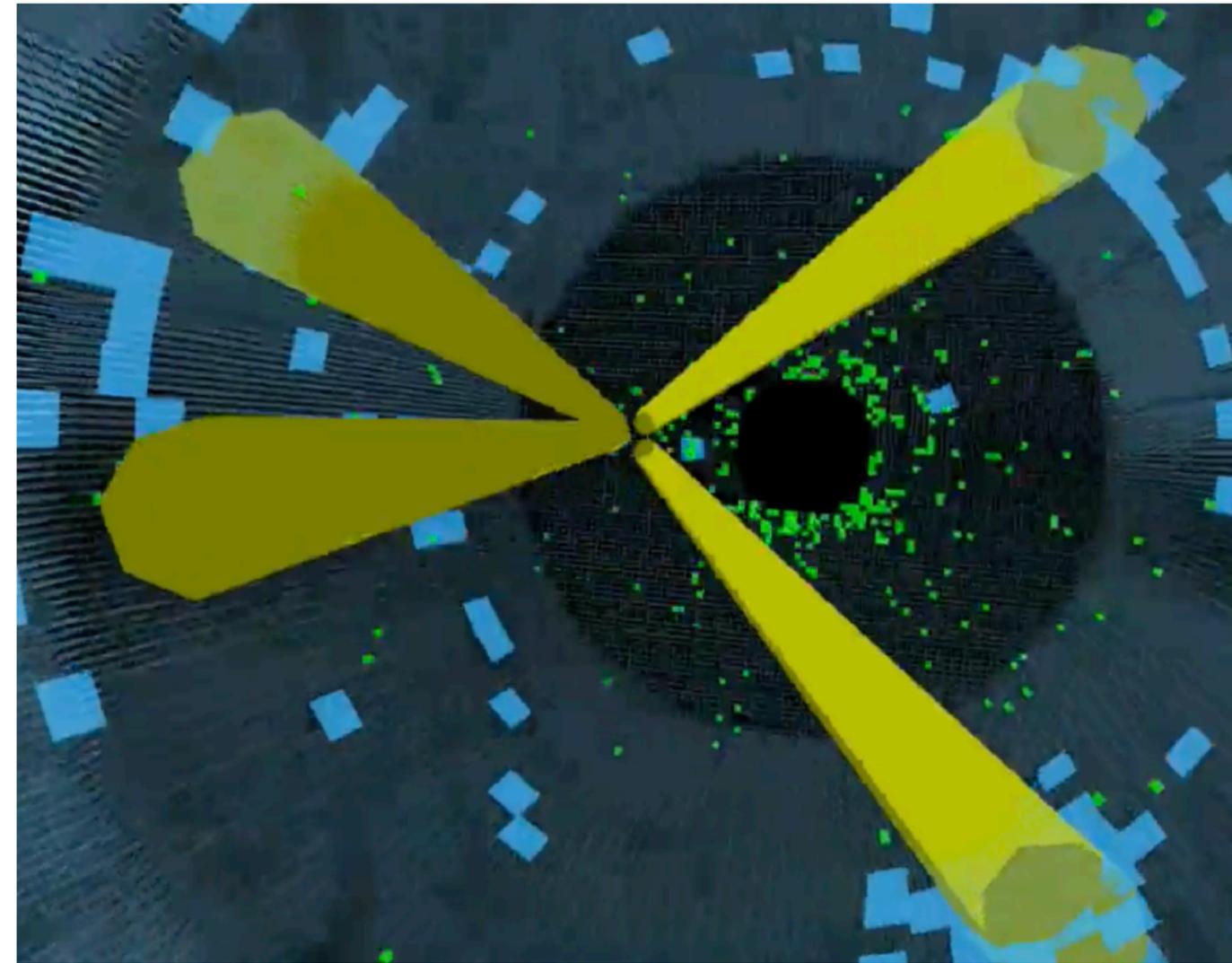
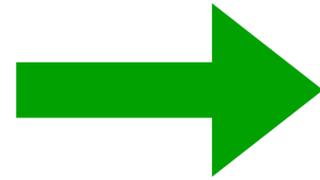
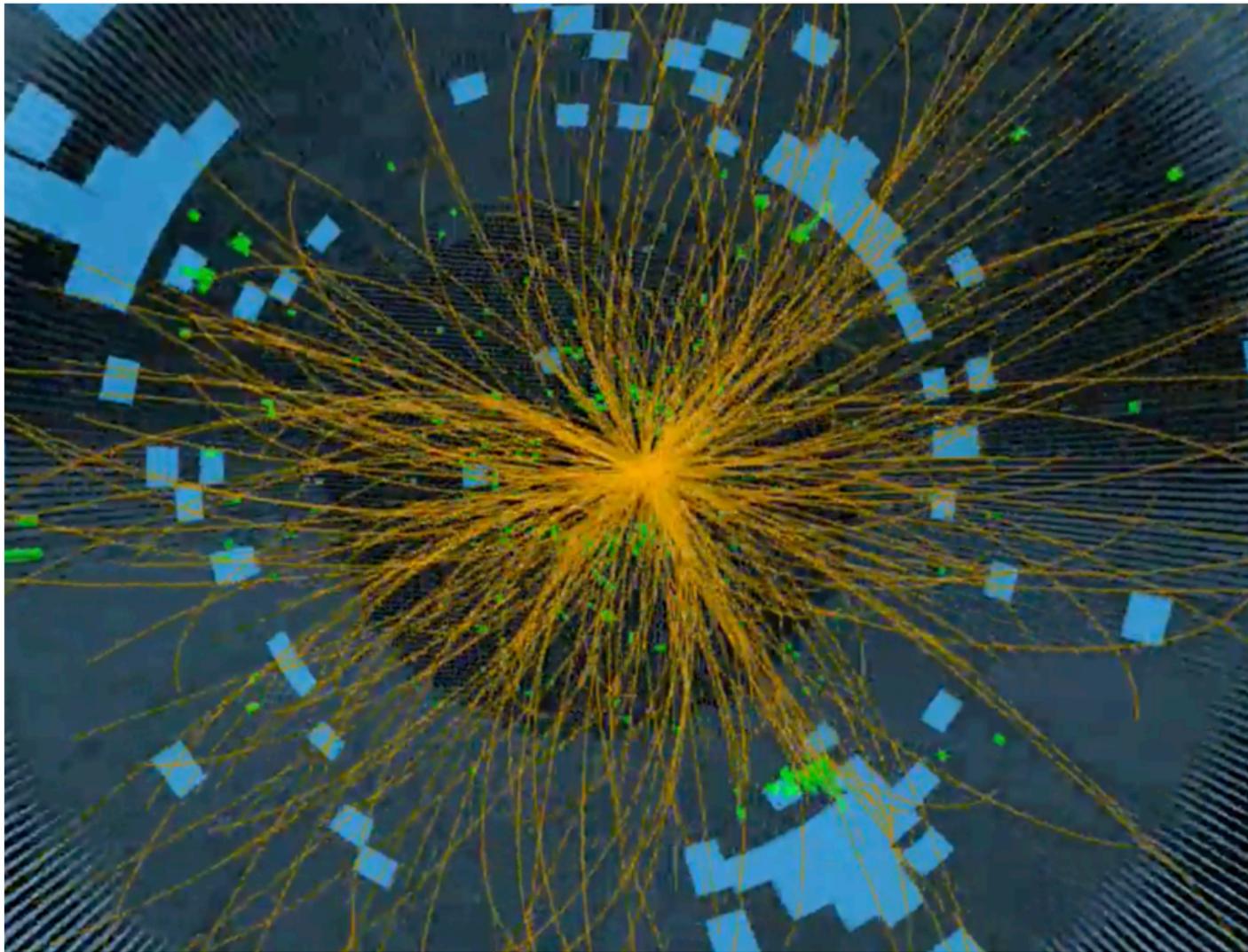
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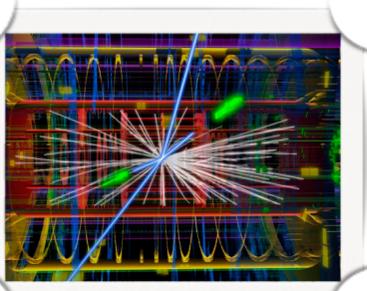
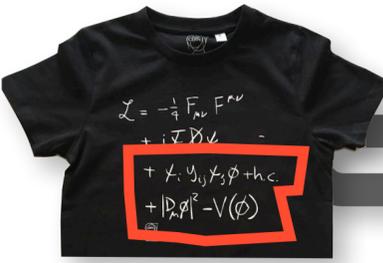


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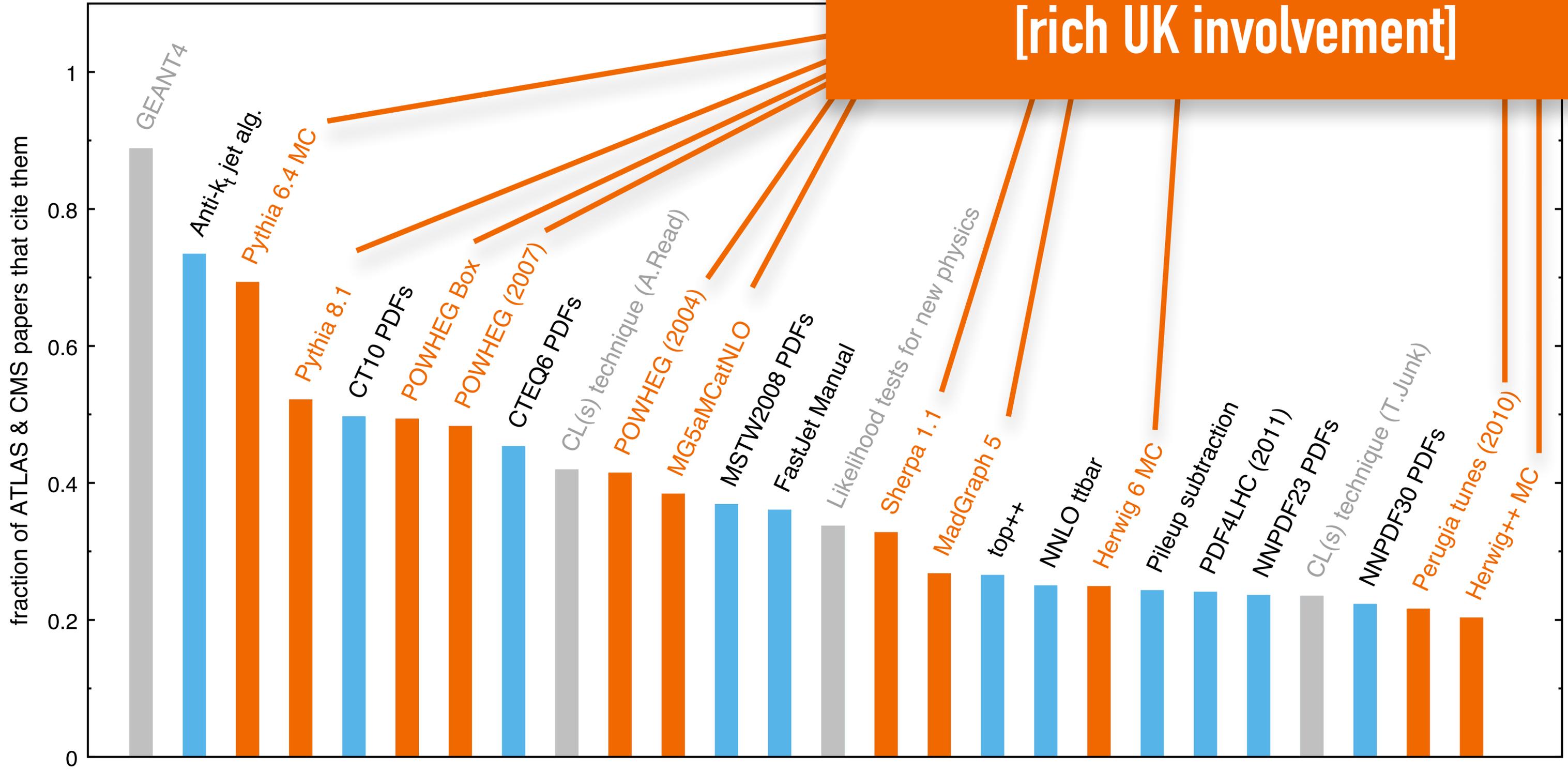


the question of organising information from hundreds of particles will come back later



predicting full particle structure that comes out of a collision

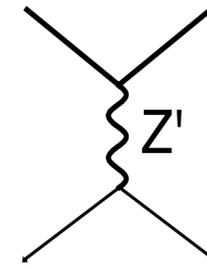
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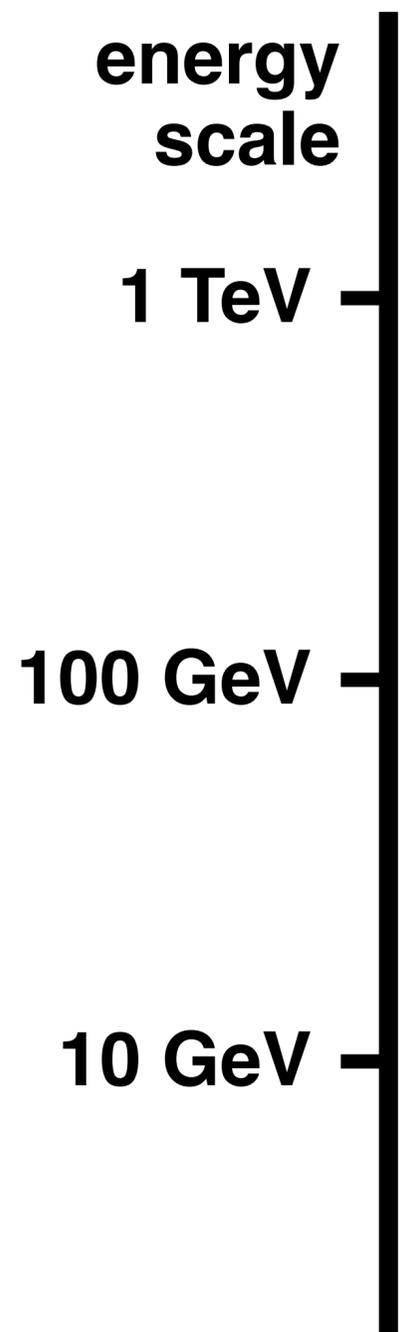
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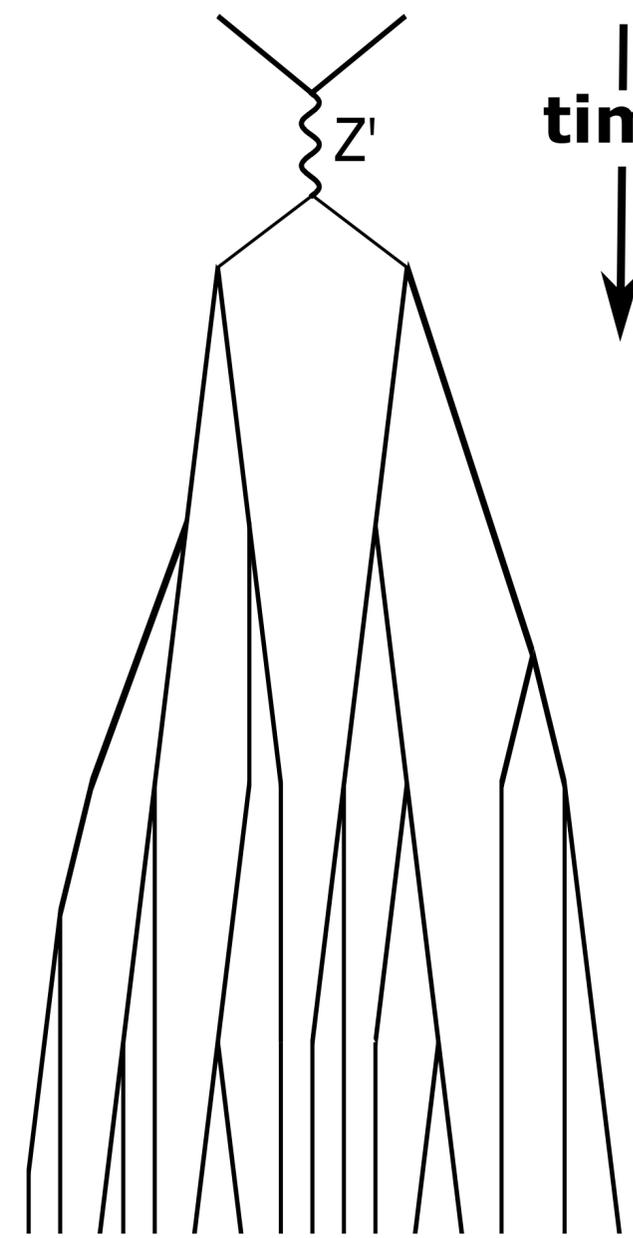
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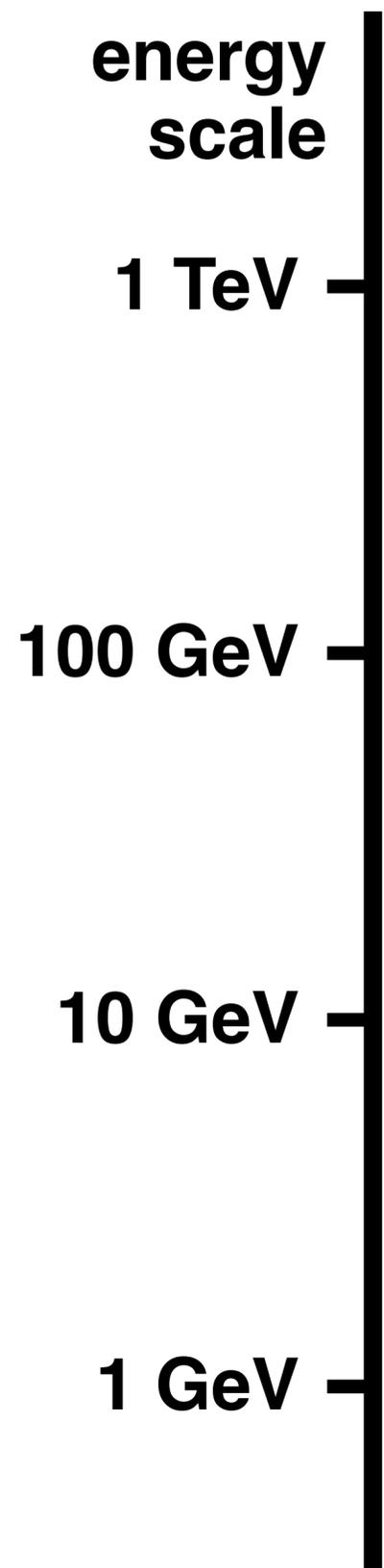
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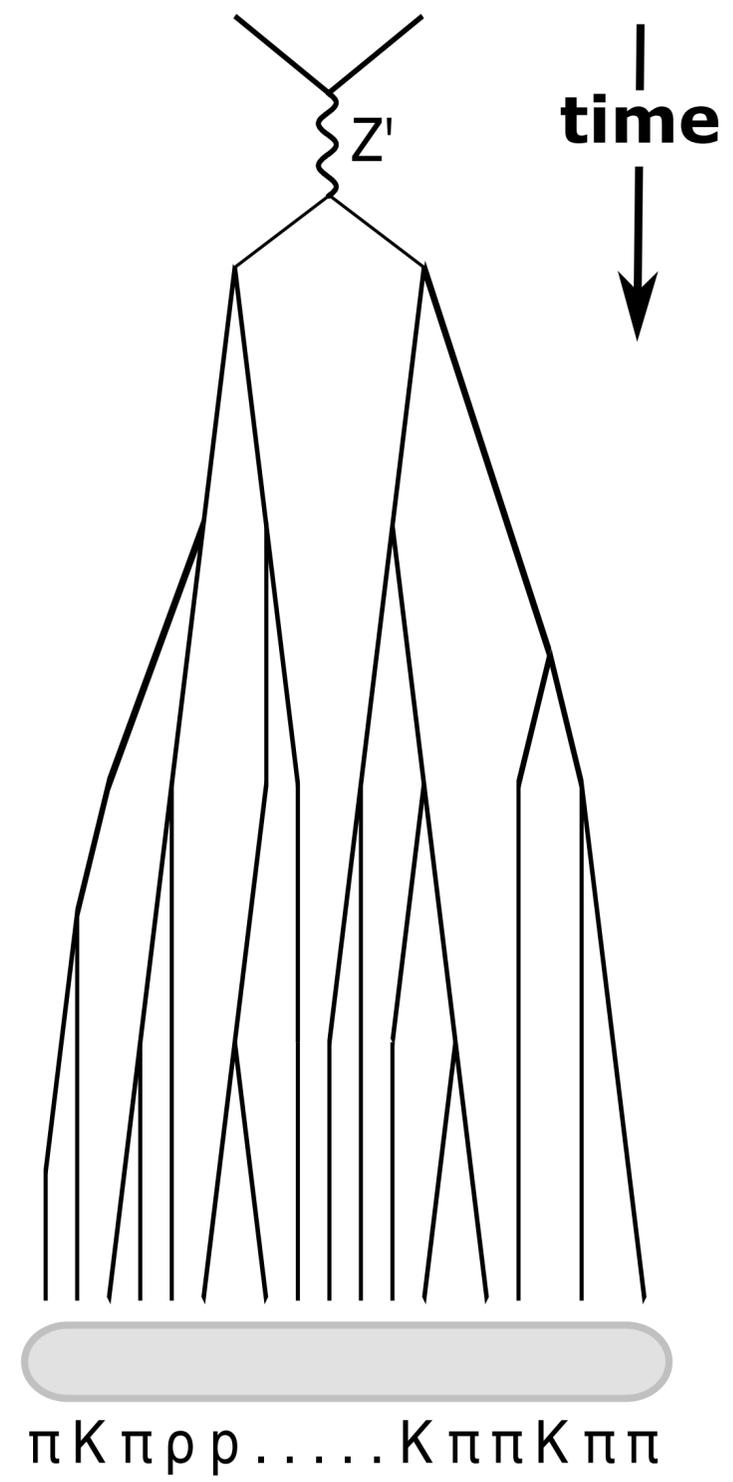
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pattern of particles in MC can be directly compared to pattern in experiment

general purpose Monte Carlo event generators:

THE BIG 3



Herwig 7



Pythia 8



Sherpa 2

they do an amazing job of simulation vast swathes of data;
collider physics would be unrecognisable without them

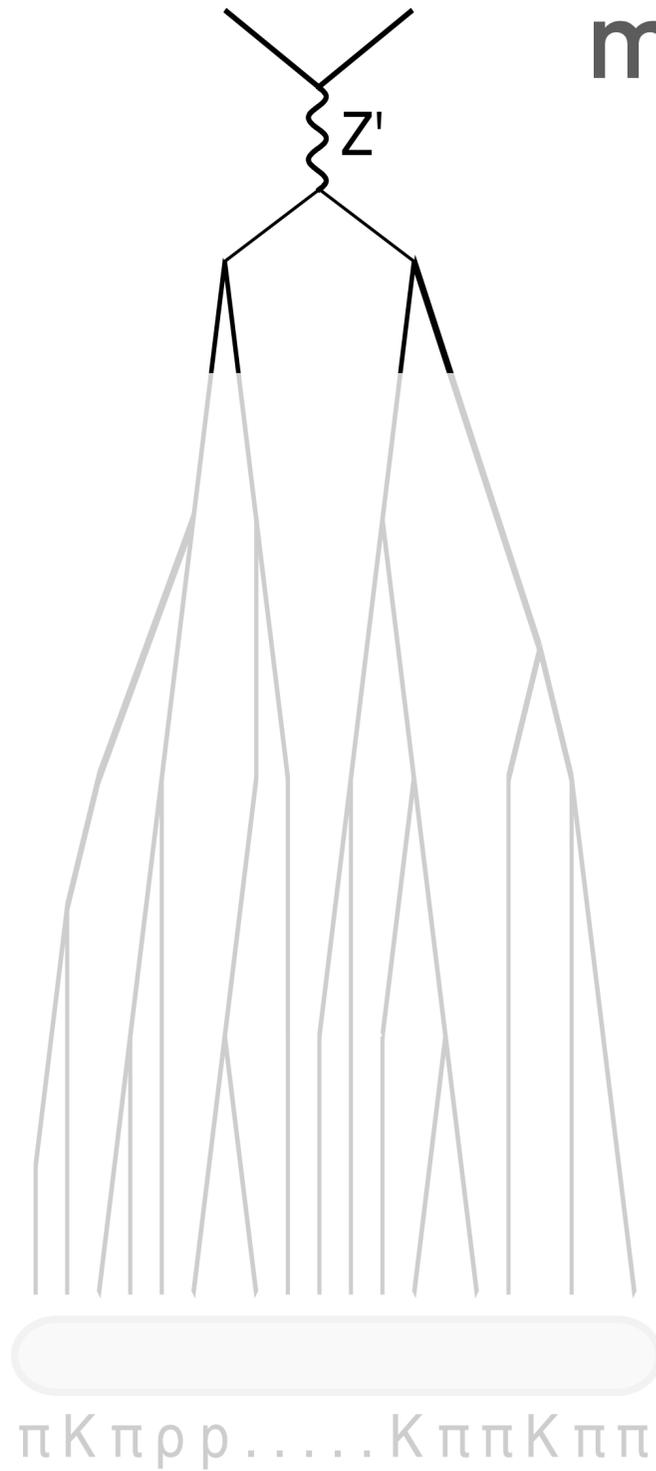
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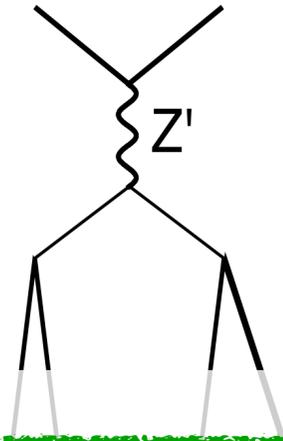
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MadGraph5_aMC@NLO

MC@NLO (in Herwig&Sherpa)

MINLO

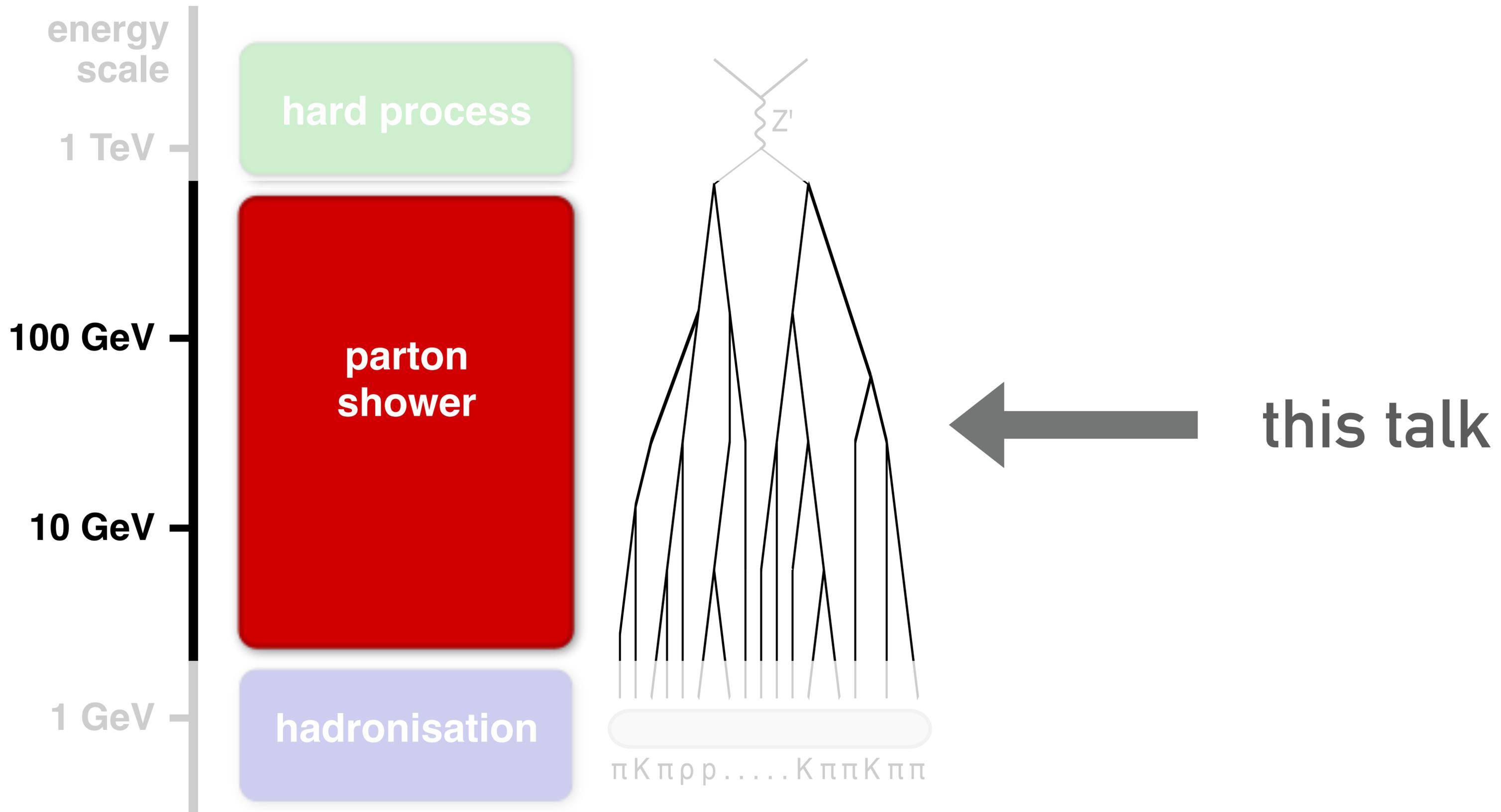
MLM, CKKW
Vincia, FxFx

UNNLOPS

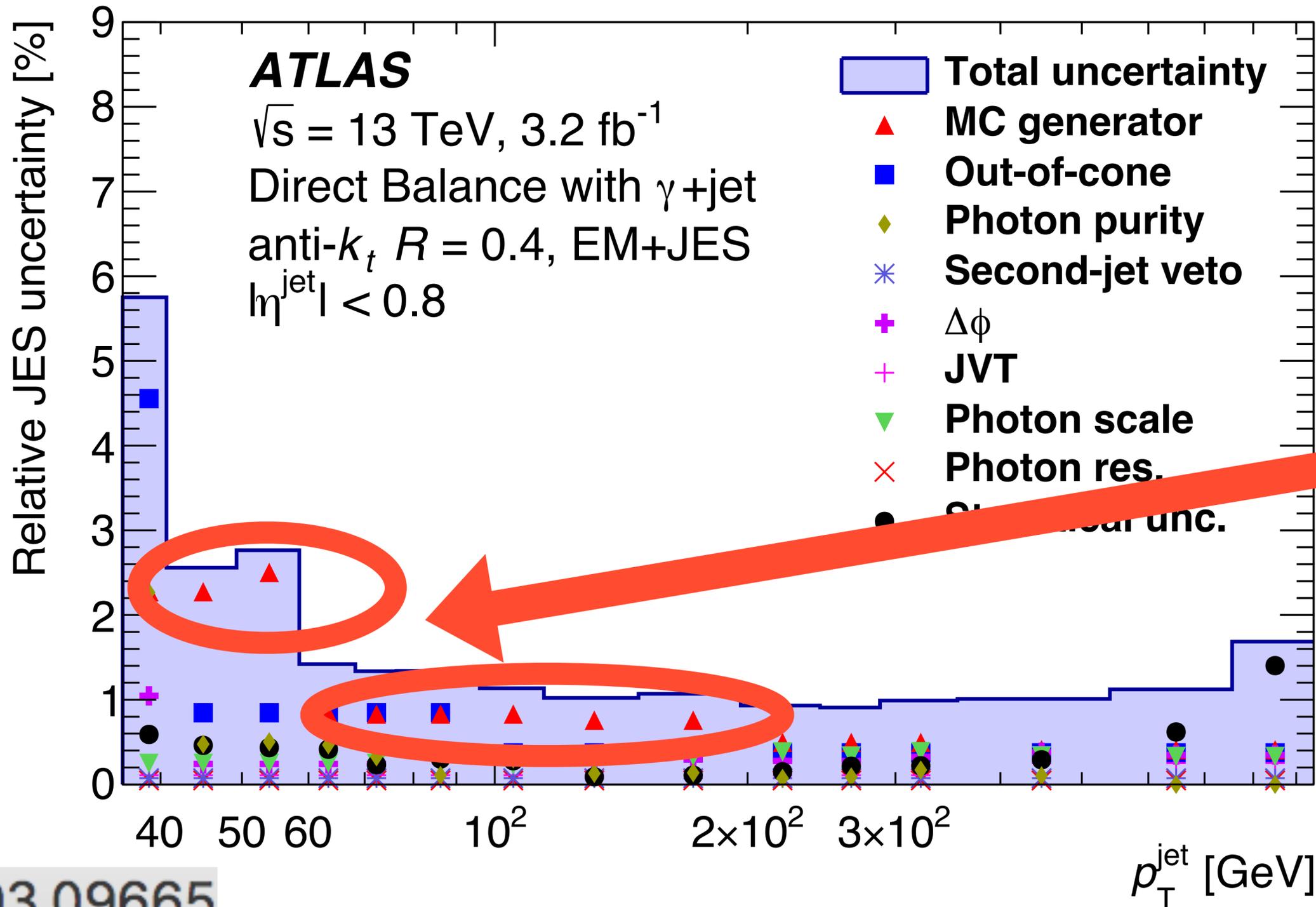
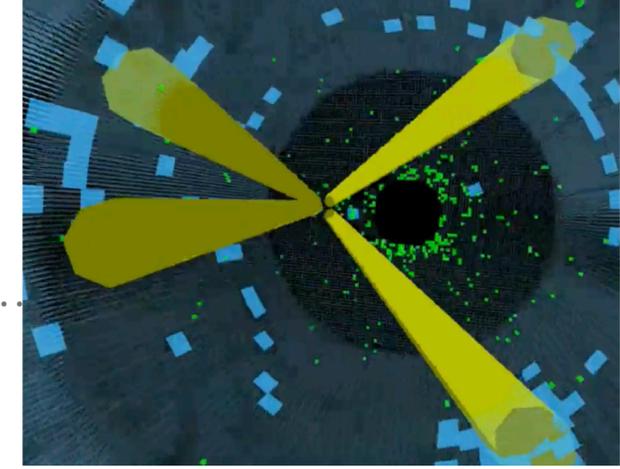


[...]

πK



Fundamental experimental calibrations (jets)



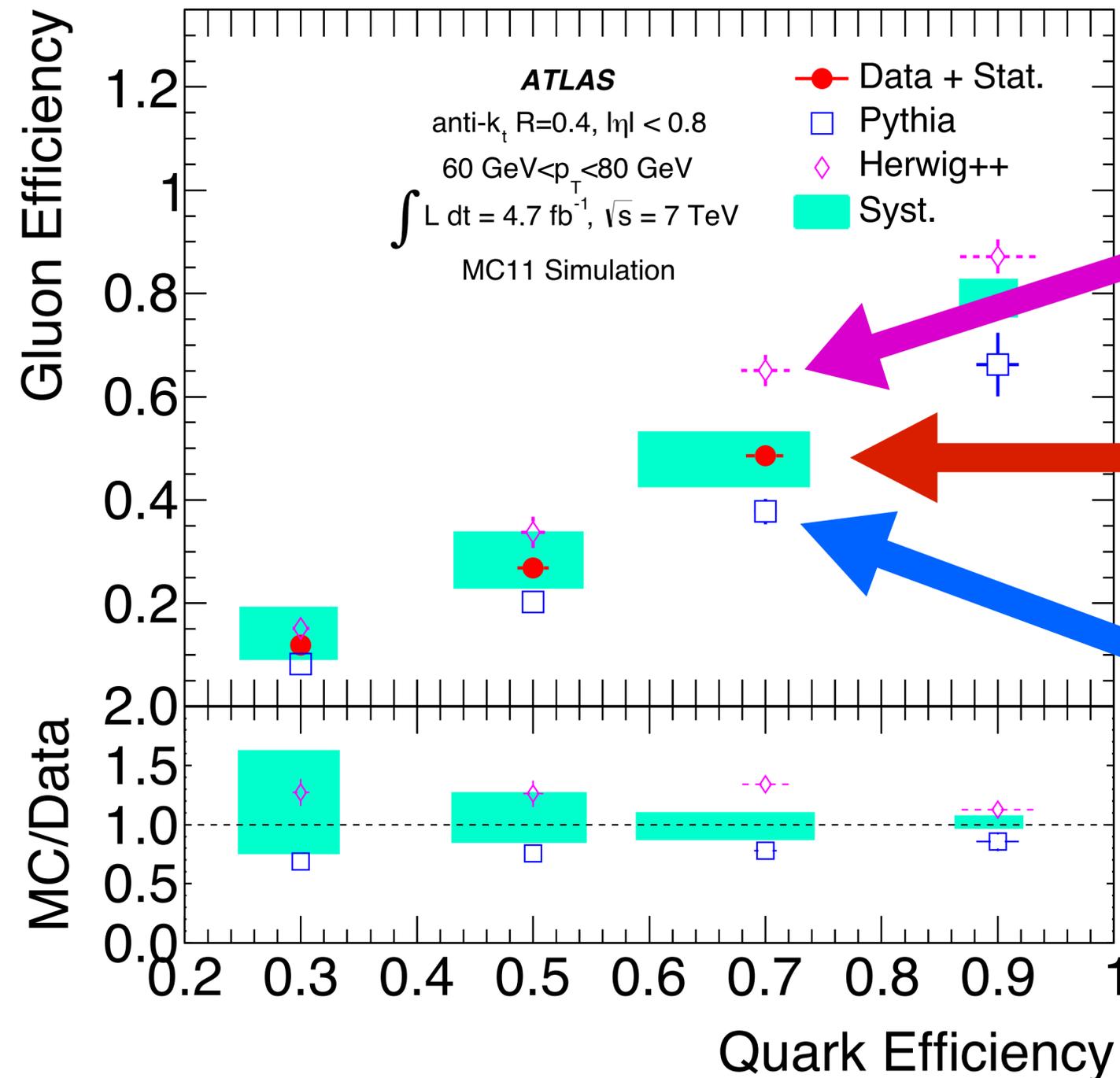
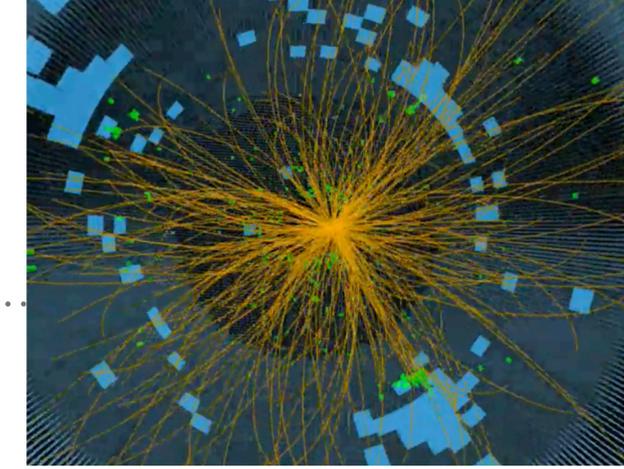
Jet energy scale, which feeds into hundreds of other measurements

Largest systematic errors (1–2%) come from differences between MC generators

(here Sherpa v. Pythia)

→ fundamental limit on LHC precision potential

using full event information (quark/gluon tagging)



Herwig++ MC

data

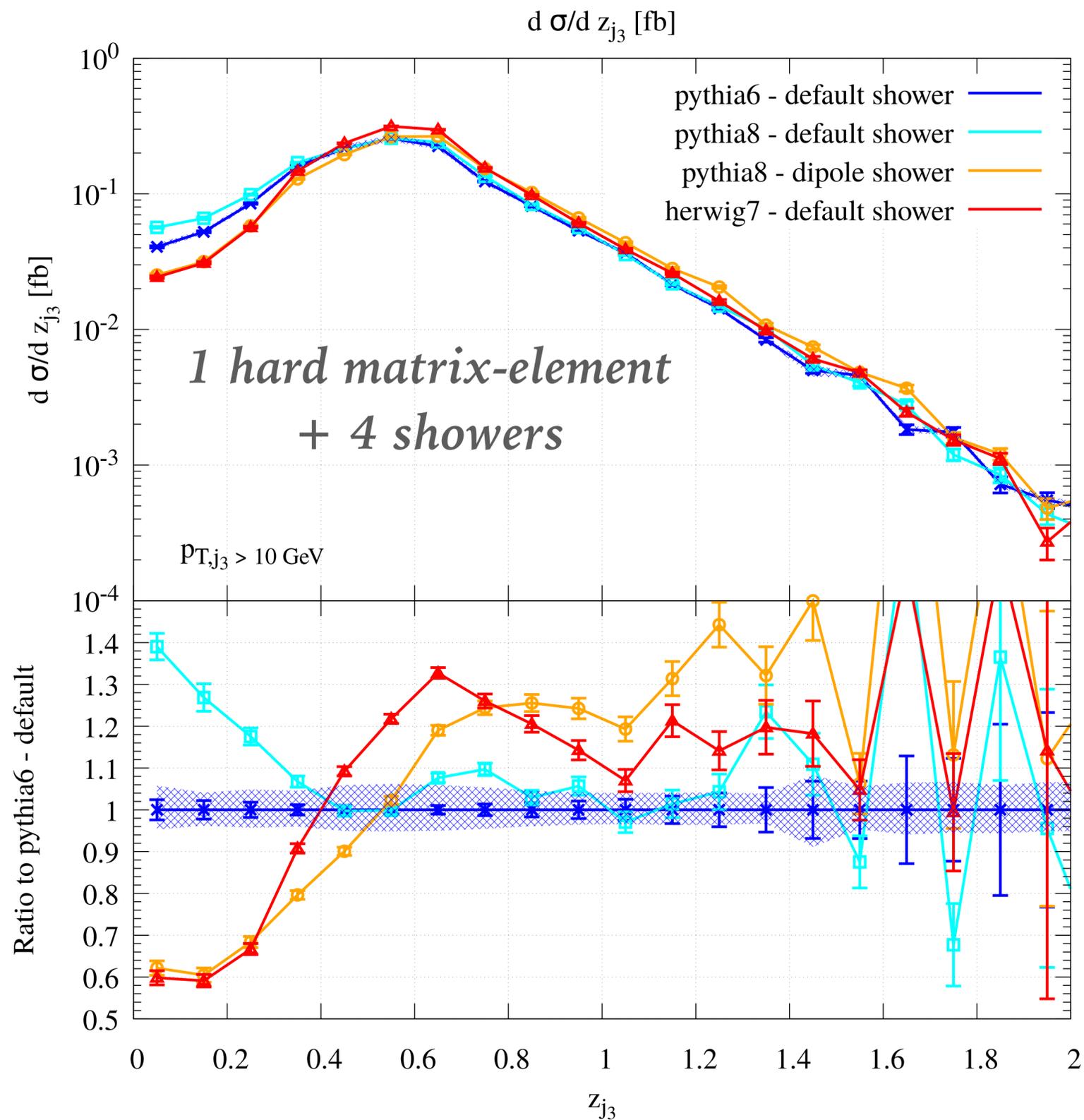
Pythia6 MC

use more info →
 become more sensitive
 to MC limitations

up to 35% differences
 in MCs v. data

a concern given trend
 towards use of
maximal info,
 e.g. with machine
 learning

Matching with hard process is hitting a limit (e.g. Jäger, Karlberg, Scheller 1812.05118)



Limits effectiveness of current matching methods (here POWHEG)

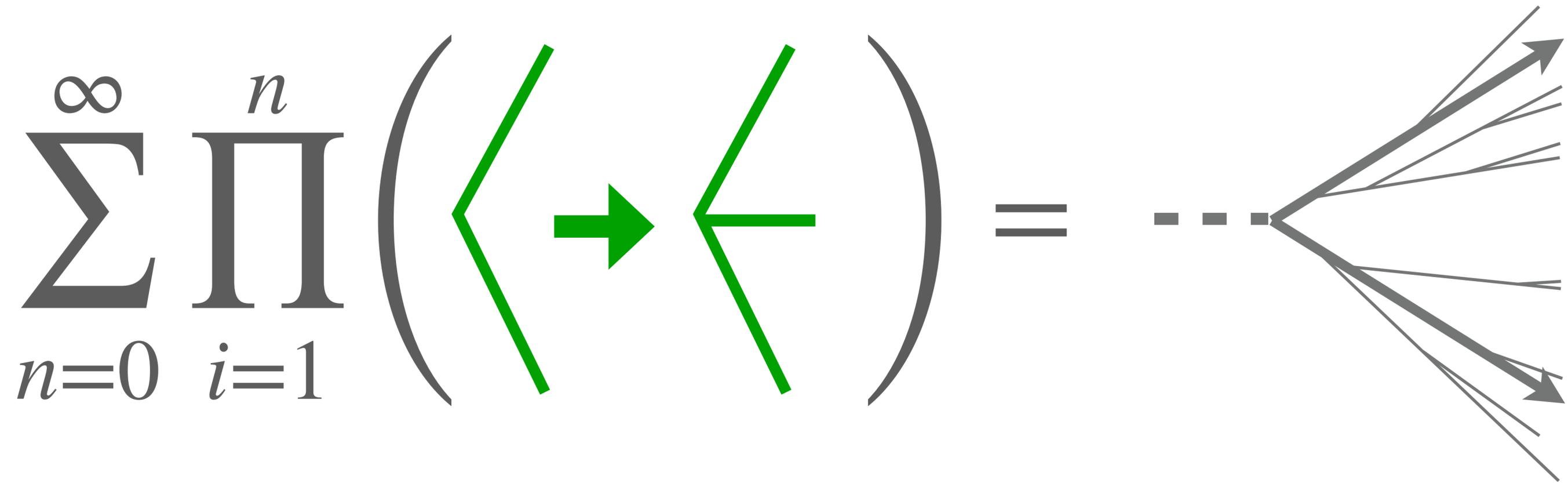
Parton structure also gets in way of better (NNLOPS) hard-process + shower matching schemes

what is a parton shower?

illustrate with dipole / antenna showers

*Gustafson & Pettersson 1988, Ariadne 1992, main Sherpa & Pythia8 showers, option in Herwig7,
Vincia shower & (partially) Deductor shower*

At its simplest

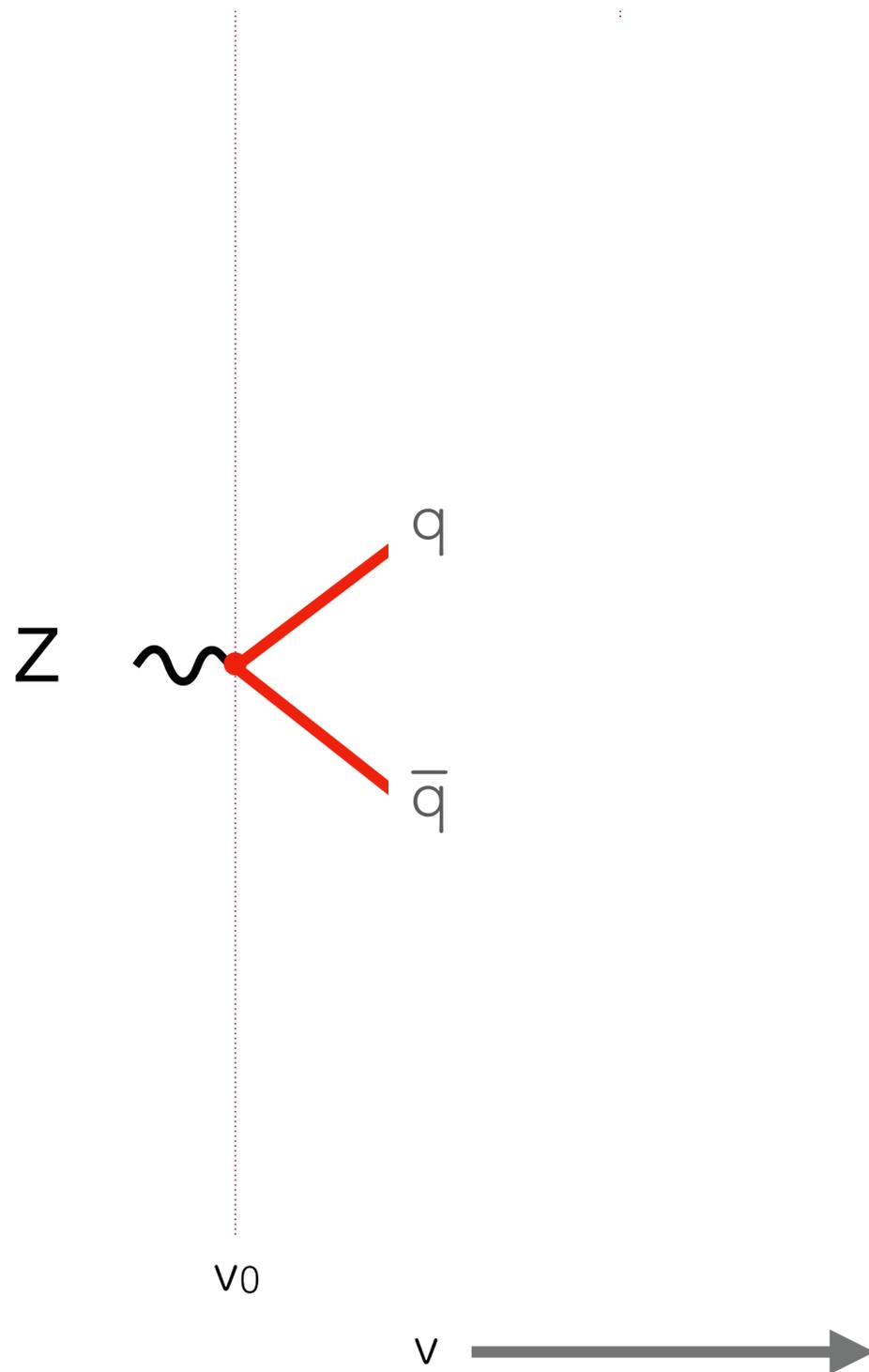


iteration of 2 → 3 (or 1 → 2) splitting kernel

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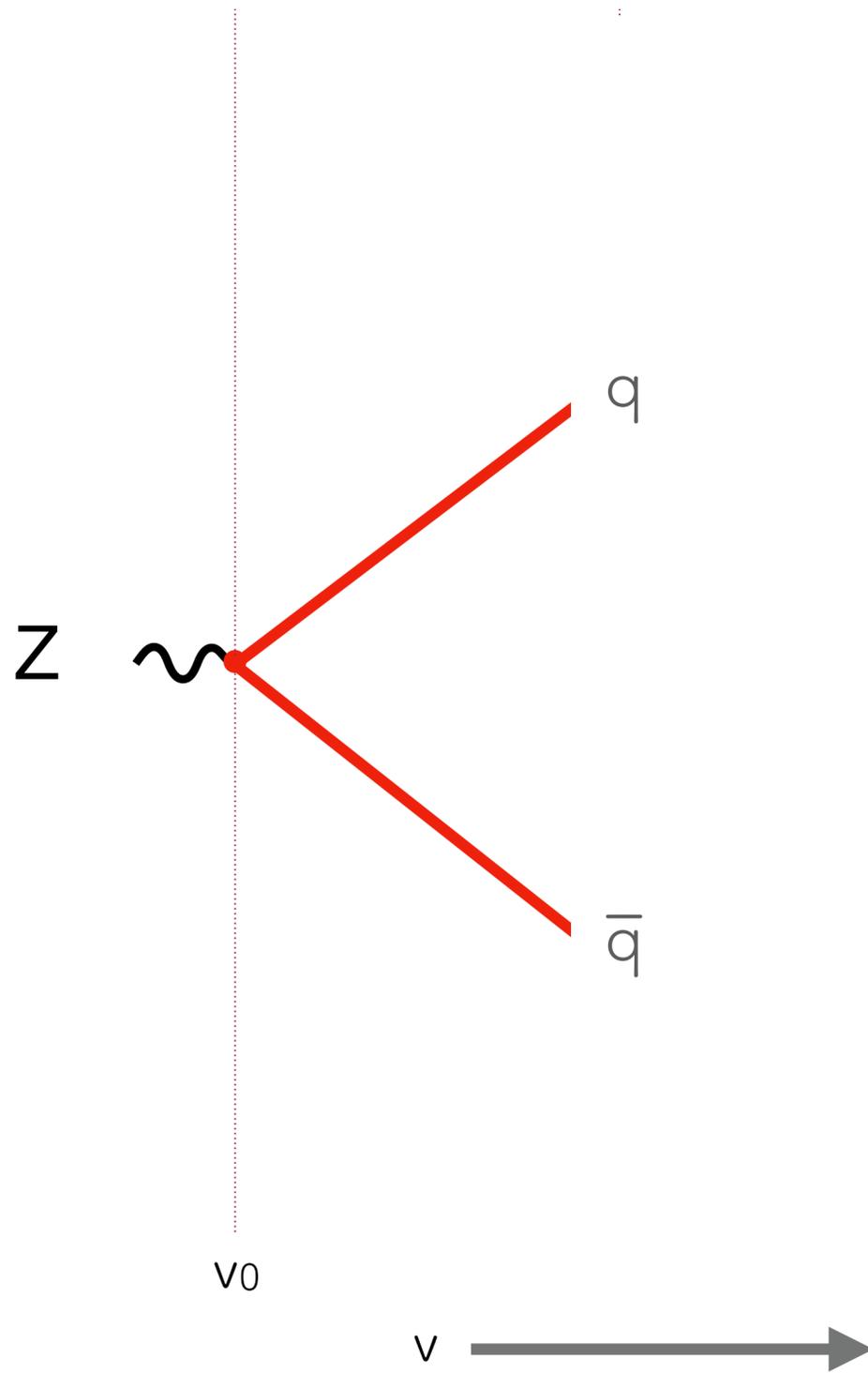


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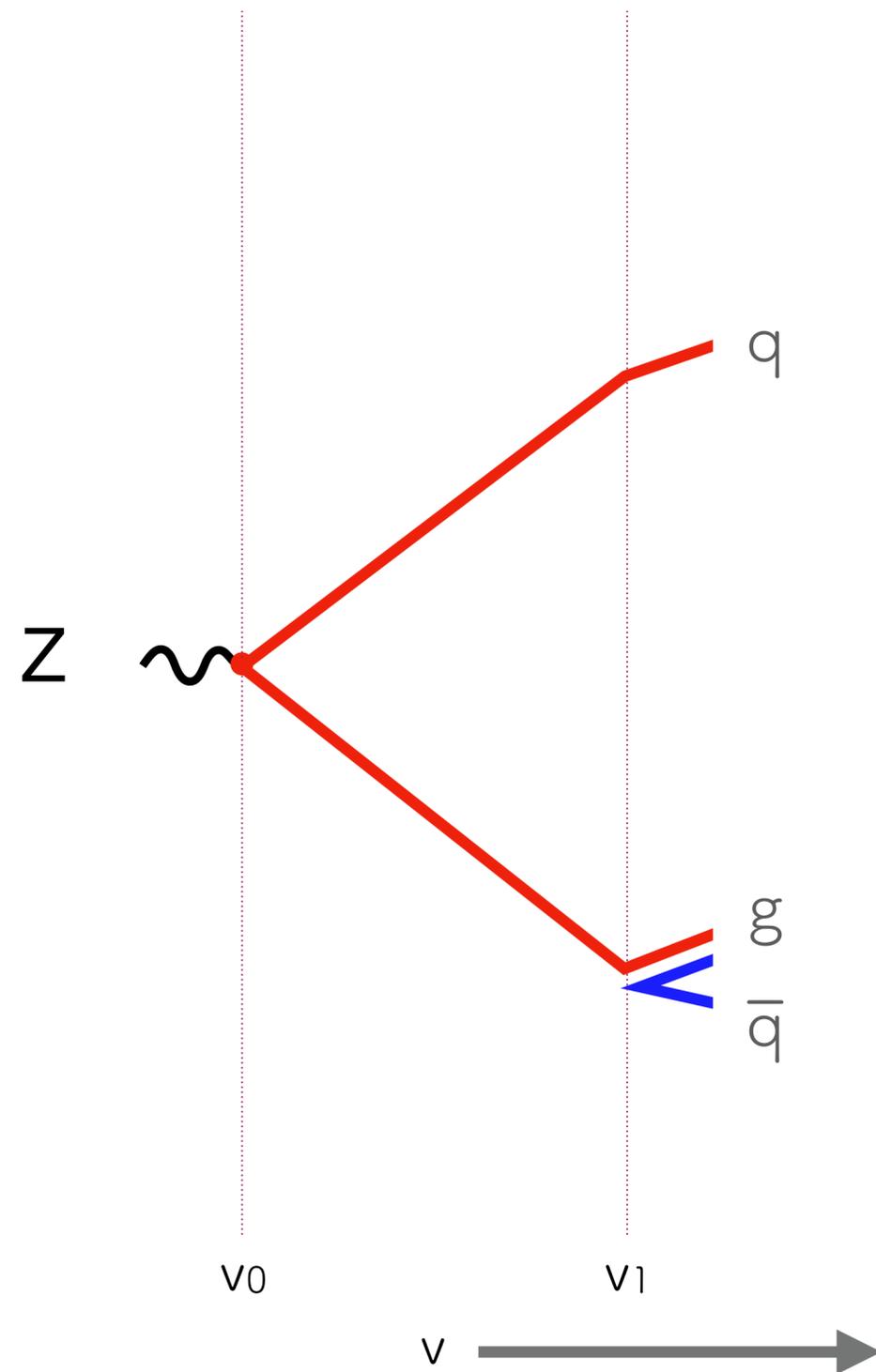
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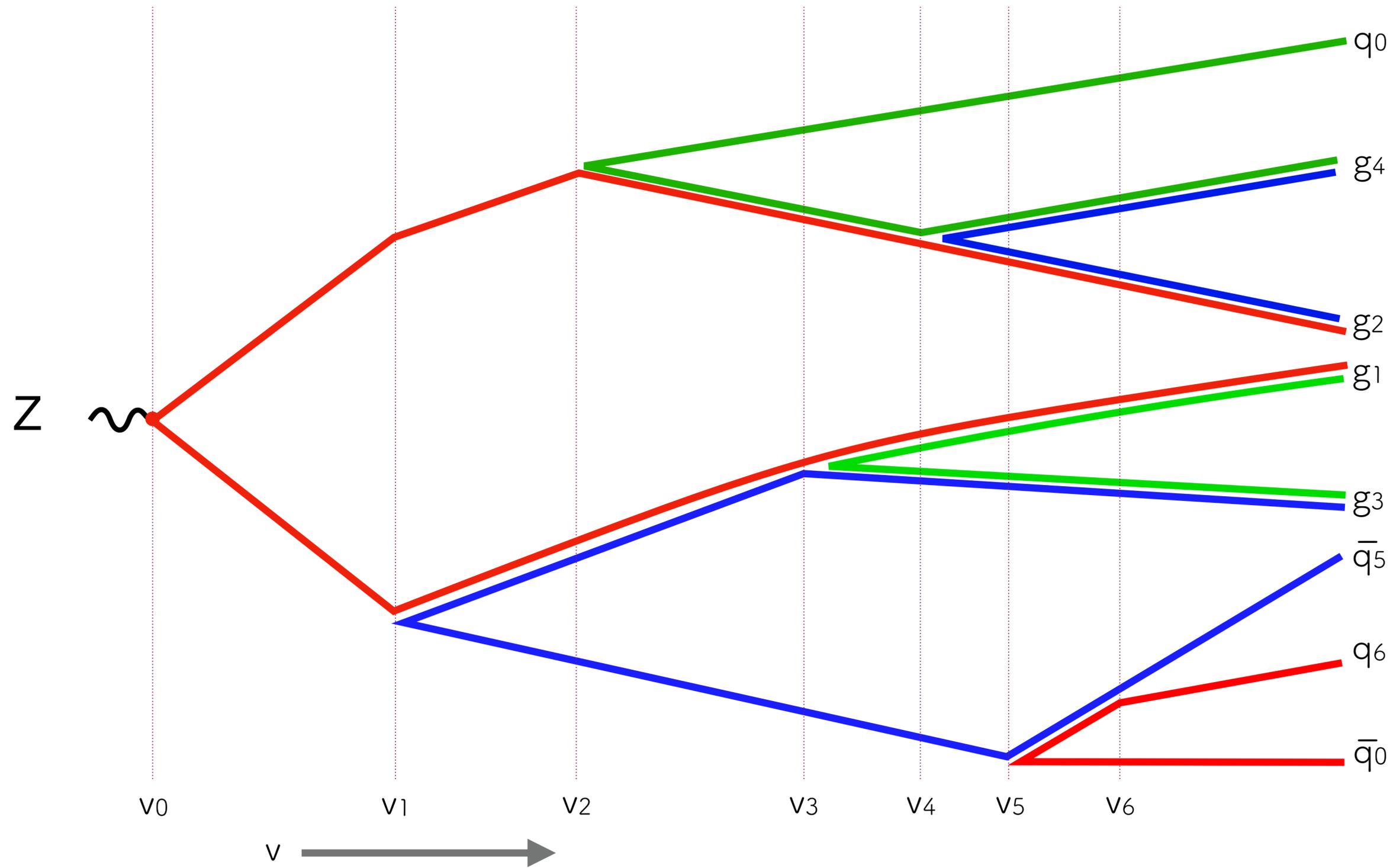
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At some point, rand.numb. is such that **state splits** ($2 \rightarrow 3$, i.e. emits gluon). Evolution equation changes

$$\frac{dP_3(v)}{dv} = - \left[f_{2 \rightarrow 3}^{qg}(v) + f_{2 \rightarrow 3}^{g\bar{q}}(v) \right] P_3(v)$$

gluon is part of two dipoles ($qg, \bar{q}g$)

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self-similar
evolution
continues until it
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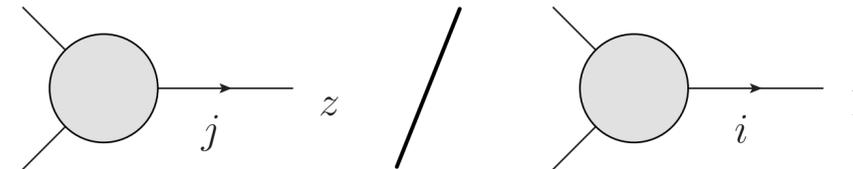
recent directions of parton-shower work?

1. including $2 \rightarrow 4$ (or $1 \rightarrow 3$) splittings
2. subleading colour corrections (dipole picture is large N_C)
3. EW showers

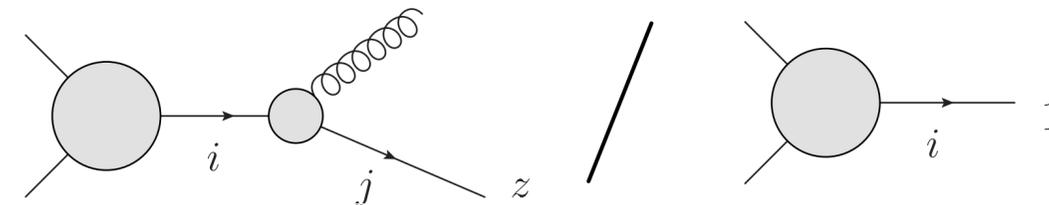
Including $1 \rightarrow 3$ splittings ($\equiv 2 \rightarrow 4$)

- ▶ Jadach et al, e.g. 1504.06849, 1606.01238
- ▶ Li & Skands, 1611.00013
- ▶ Höche, Krauss & Prestel, 1705.00982,
Höche & Prestel, 1705.00742,
Dulat, Höche & Prestel, 1805.03757

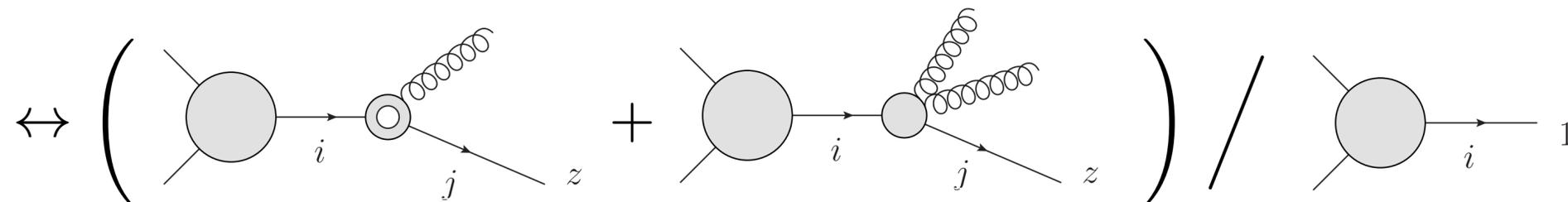
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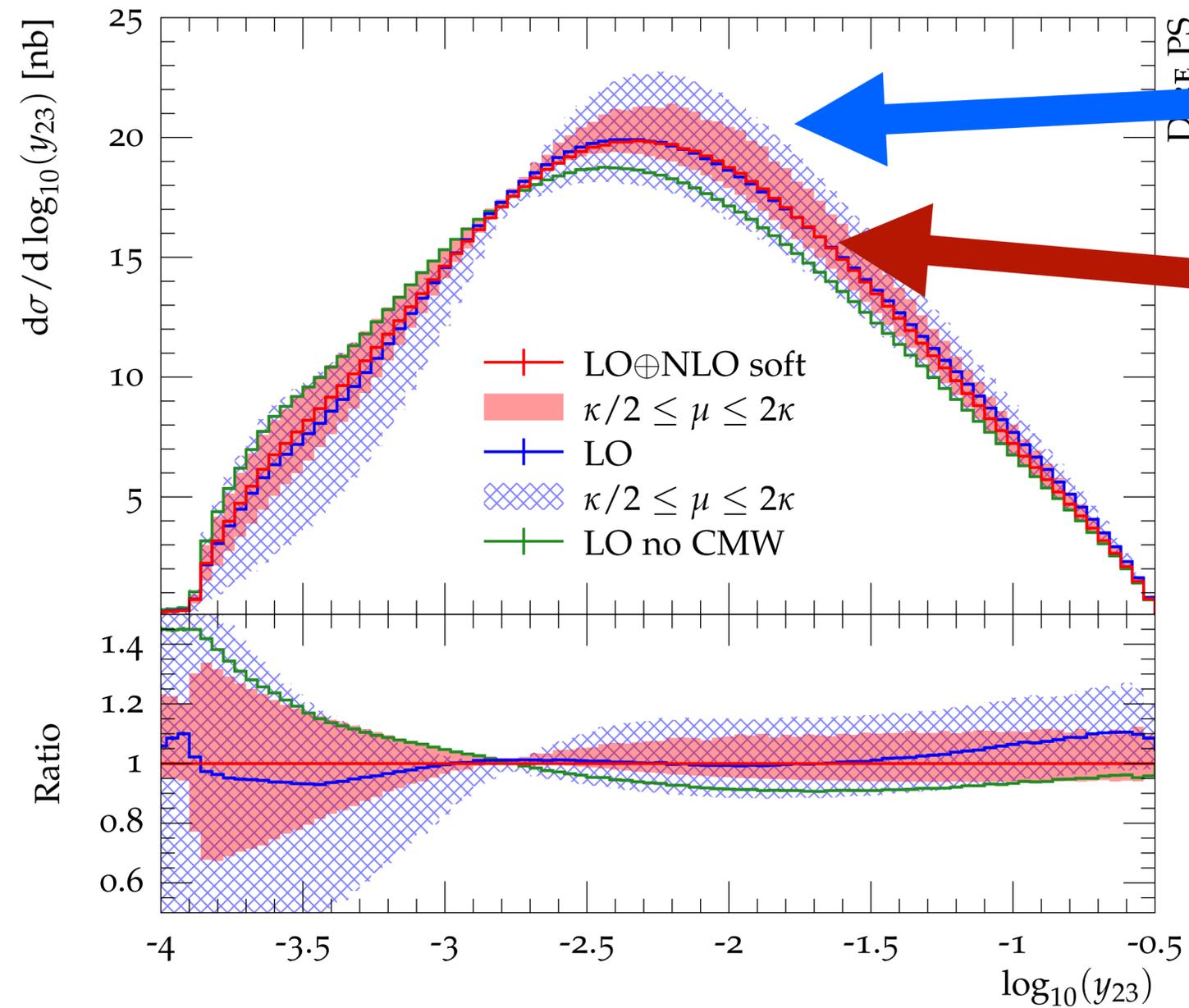
$$D_{ji}^{(1)}(z, \mu) = -\frac{1}{\varepsilon} P_{ji}^{(0)}(z)$$

 \leftrightarrow


$$D_{ji}^{(2)}(z, \mu) = -\frac{1}{2\varepsilon} P_{ji}^{(1)}(z) + \frac{\beta_0}{4\varepsilon^2} P_{ji}^{(0)}(z) + \frac{1}{2\varepsilon^2} \int_z^1 \frac{dx}{x} P_{jk}^{(0)}(x) P_{ki}^{(0)}(z/x)$$



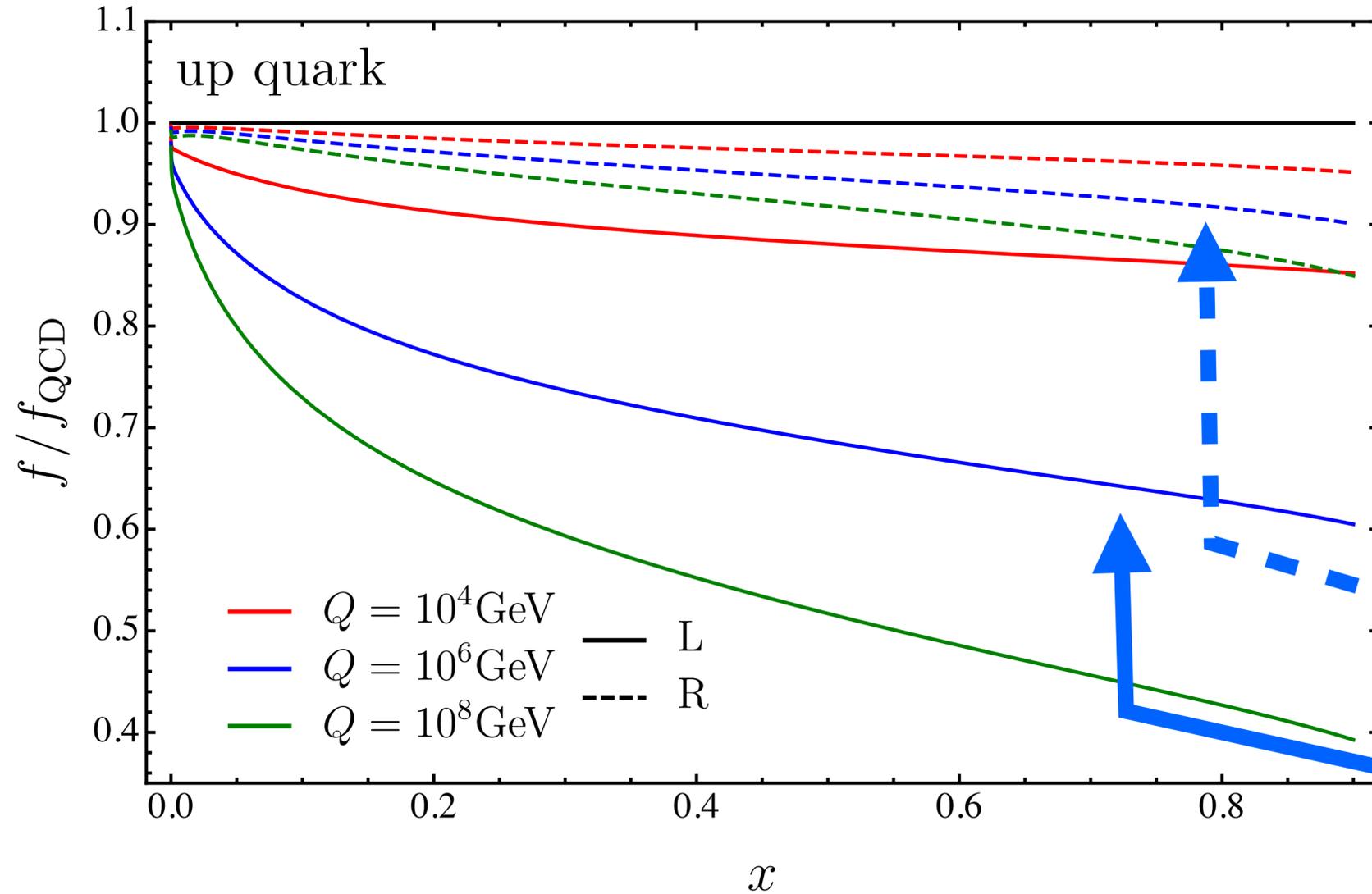
Including $1 \rightarrow 3$ splittings



just $1 \rightarrow 2$ splittings

+ $1 \rightarrow 3$ soft splittings

EW showers (esp. beyond LHC)



W & Z emissions come with double logarithms

$$\alpha_{EW} \ln^2 \frac{Q}{m_W}$$

right-handed up quarks
 left-handed up quarks

W emission affects only left-handed quarks

→ strong polarisation of quarks in unpolarised proton (at high enough energies)

what does a parton shower achieve?

*not just a question of ingredients,
but also the final result of assembling them together*

Dasgupta, Dreyer, Hamilton, Monni & GPS, 1805.09327

what **should** a parton shower achieve?

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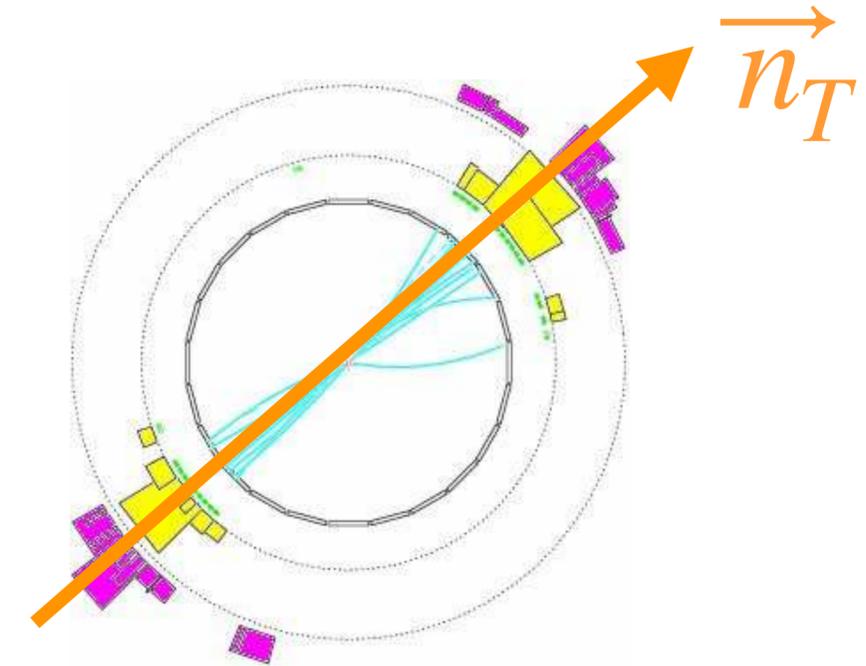
**how can you prescribe correctness & accuracy of the answer,
when the questions you ask can be arbitrary?**

The standard answer so far

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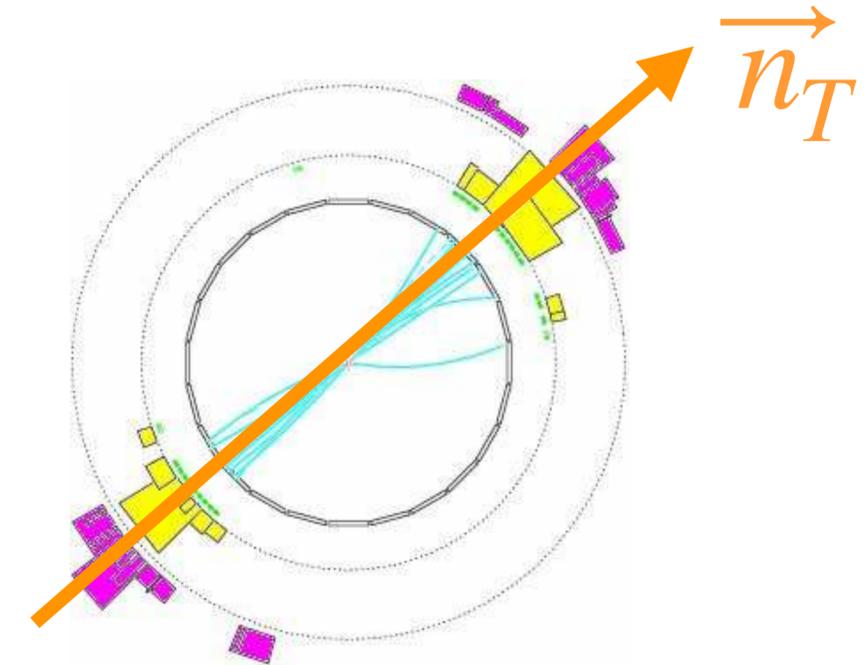
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$$\sigma(1 - T < e^{-L}) = \sigma_{tot} \exp \left[\underbrace{Lg_1(\alpha_s L)}_{LL} + \underbrace{g_2(\alpha_s L)}_{NLL} + \underbrace{\alpha_s g_3(\alpha_s L)}_{NNLL} + \underbrace{\alpha_s^2 g_4(\alpha_s L)}_{N^3LL} + \dots \right]$$

$[\alpha_s \ll 1, L \gg 1]$

LL

NLL

NNLL

N³LL

Catani, Trentadue, Turnock & Webber '93

Becher & Schwartz '08

The standard answer so far

Sometimes you may see statements like “*Following standard practice to improve the logarithmic accuracy of the parton shower, the soft enhanced term of the splitting functions is rescaled by $1 + a_s(t)/(2\pi)K$ ”*”

Questions:

- 1) Which is it? LL or better?
- 2) For what known observables does this statement hold?
- 3) What good is it to know that some handful of observables is LL (or whatever) when you want to calculate arbitrary observables?
- 4) Does LL even mean anything when you do machine learning?
- 5) Why only “LL” when analytic resummation can do so much better?

Our proposal for “minimal” criteria for a shower

Resummation

Establish logarithmic accuracy for all known classes of resummation:

- global event shapes (thrust, broadening, angularities, jet rates, energy-energy correlations, ...)
- non-global observables (cf. Banfi, Corcella & Dasgupta, hep-ph/0612282)
- fragmentation / parton-distribution functions
- (multiplicity, cf. original Herwig angular-ordered shower from 1980's)

Matrix elements

Establish in what sense iteration of (e.g. $2 \rightarrow 3$) splitting kernel reproduces N -particle tree-level matrix elements *for any* N .

Examine two showers

- **Pythia8** shower: because it's the most widely used
- **DIRE** shower (2015 version, with just 2→3 splitting), because it's unique in being available for two General Purpose MC programs (Pythia8 & Sherpa2)

The results I'll talk about will be the same for both

and they'll be limited to fixed order for simplicity
(though it's easy enough to generalise to an all-order study)

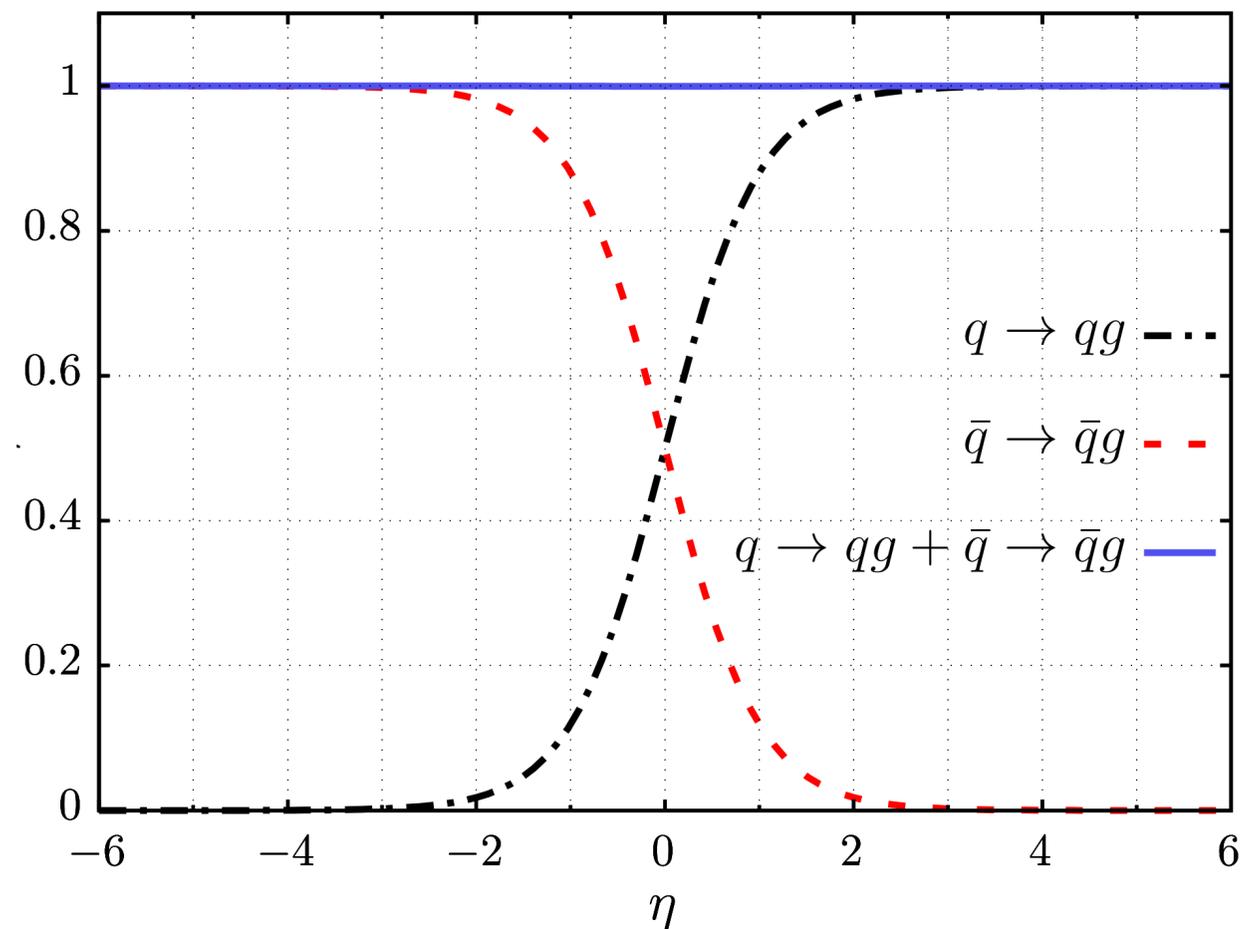
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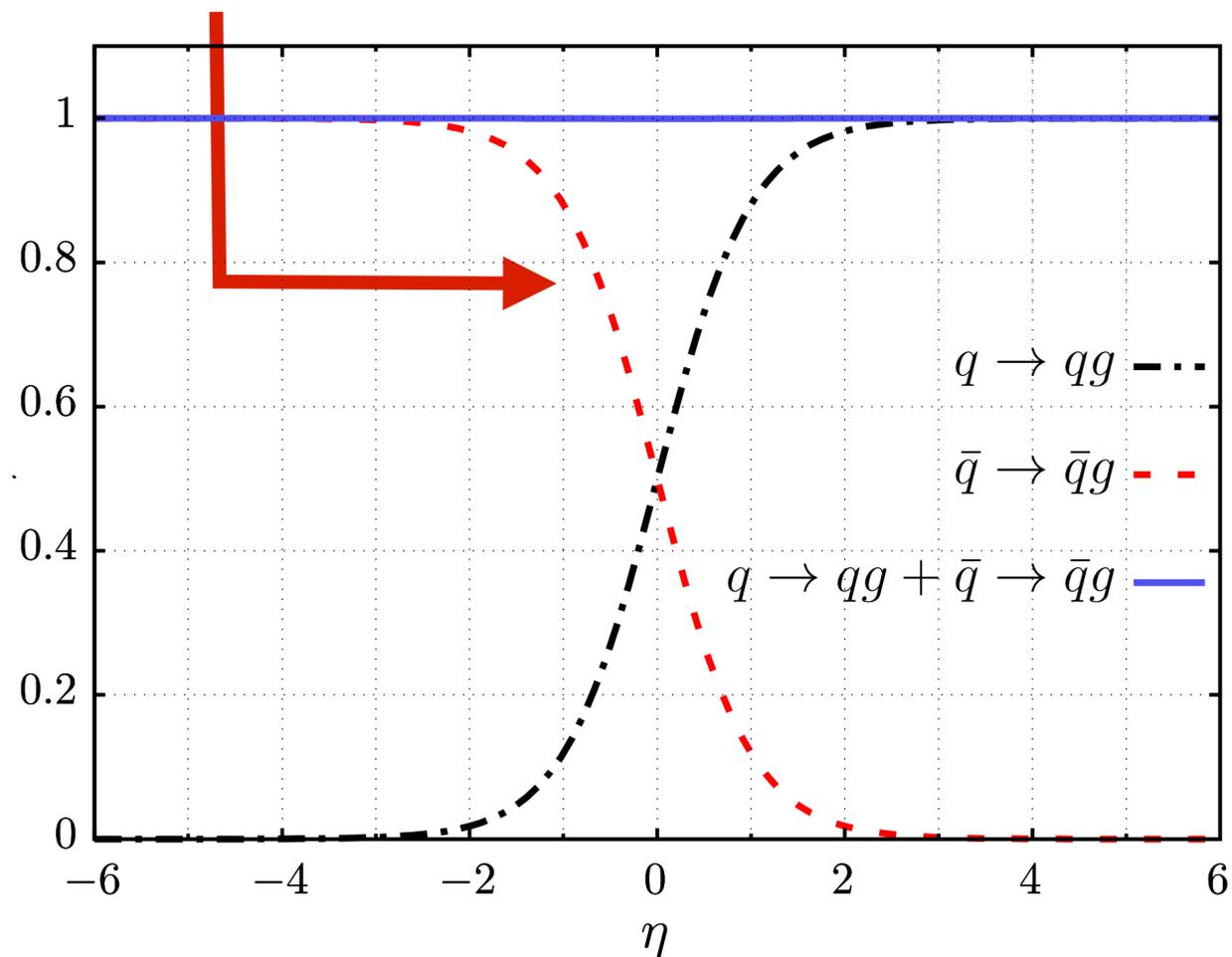
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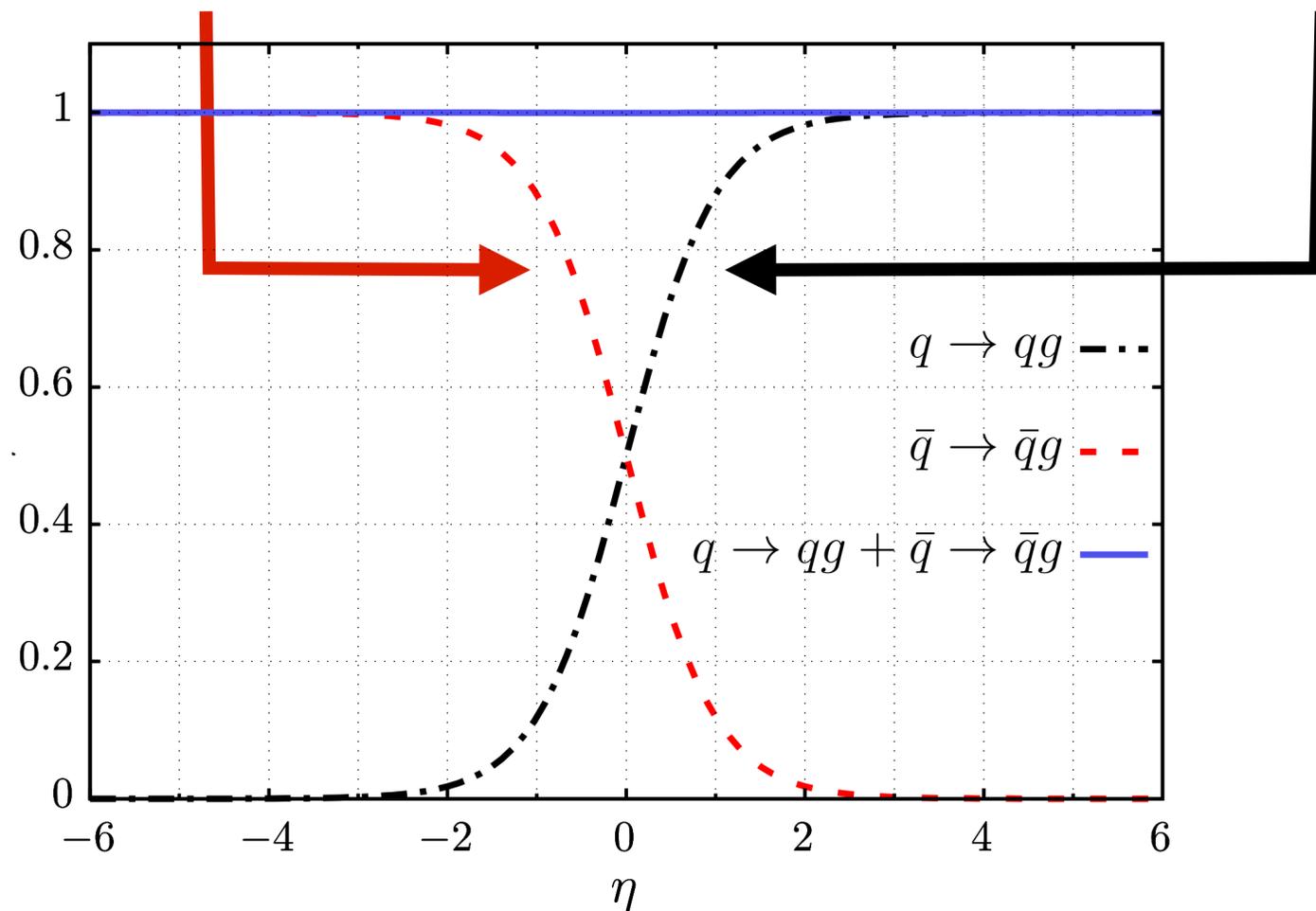
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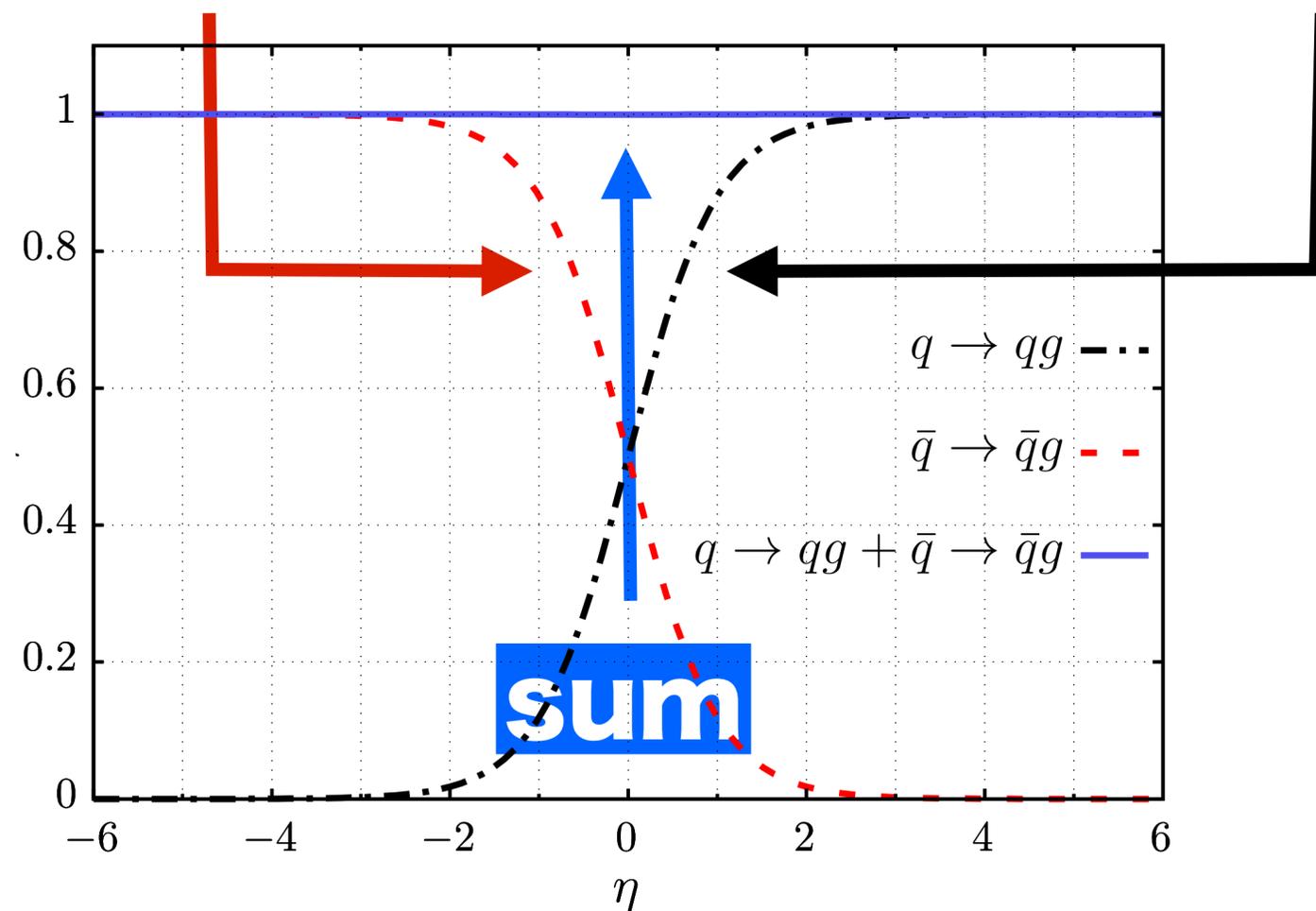
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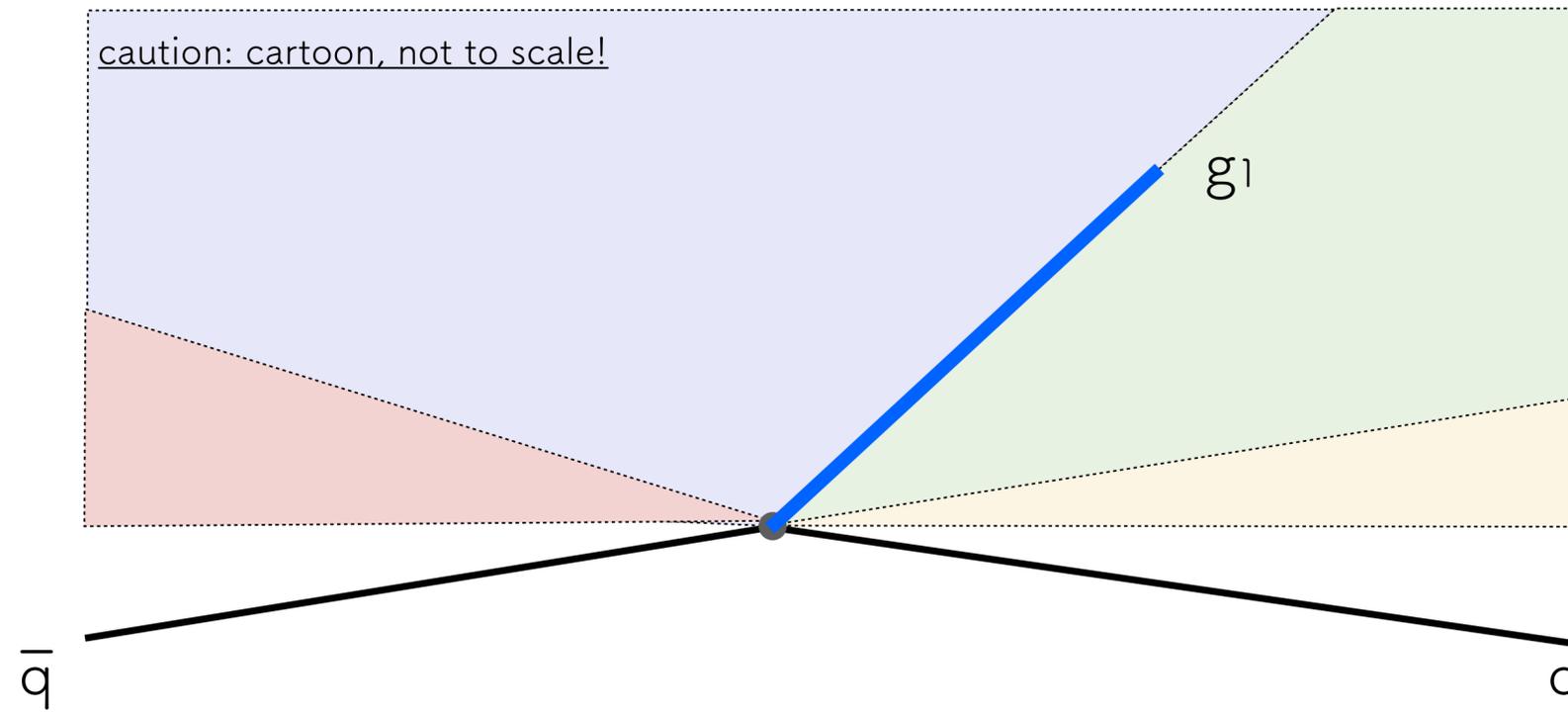
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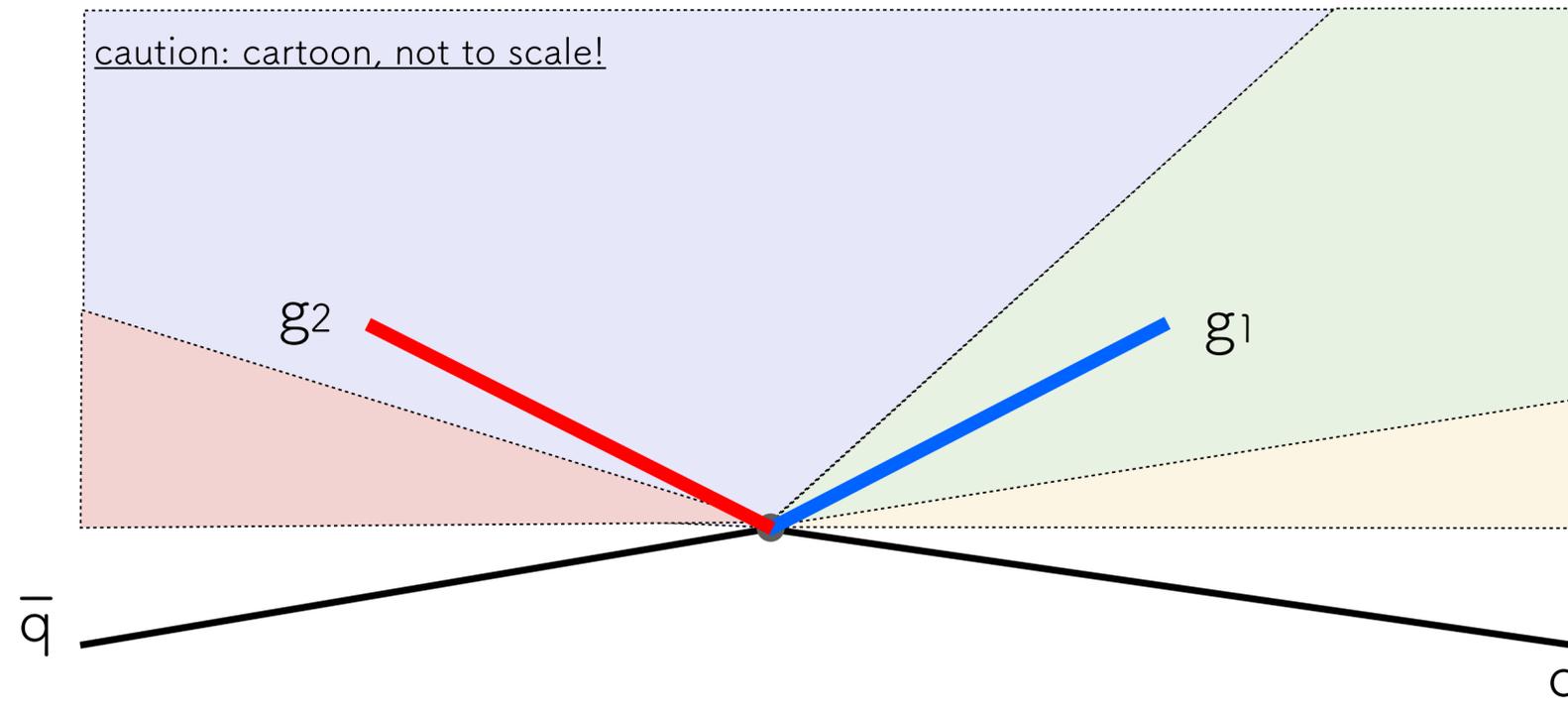
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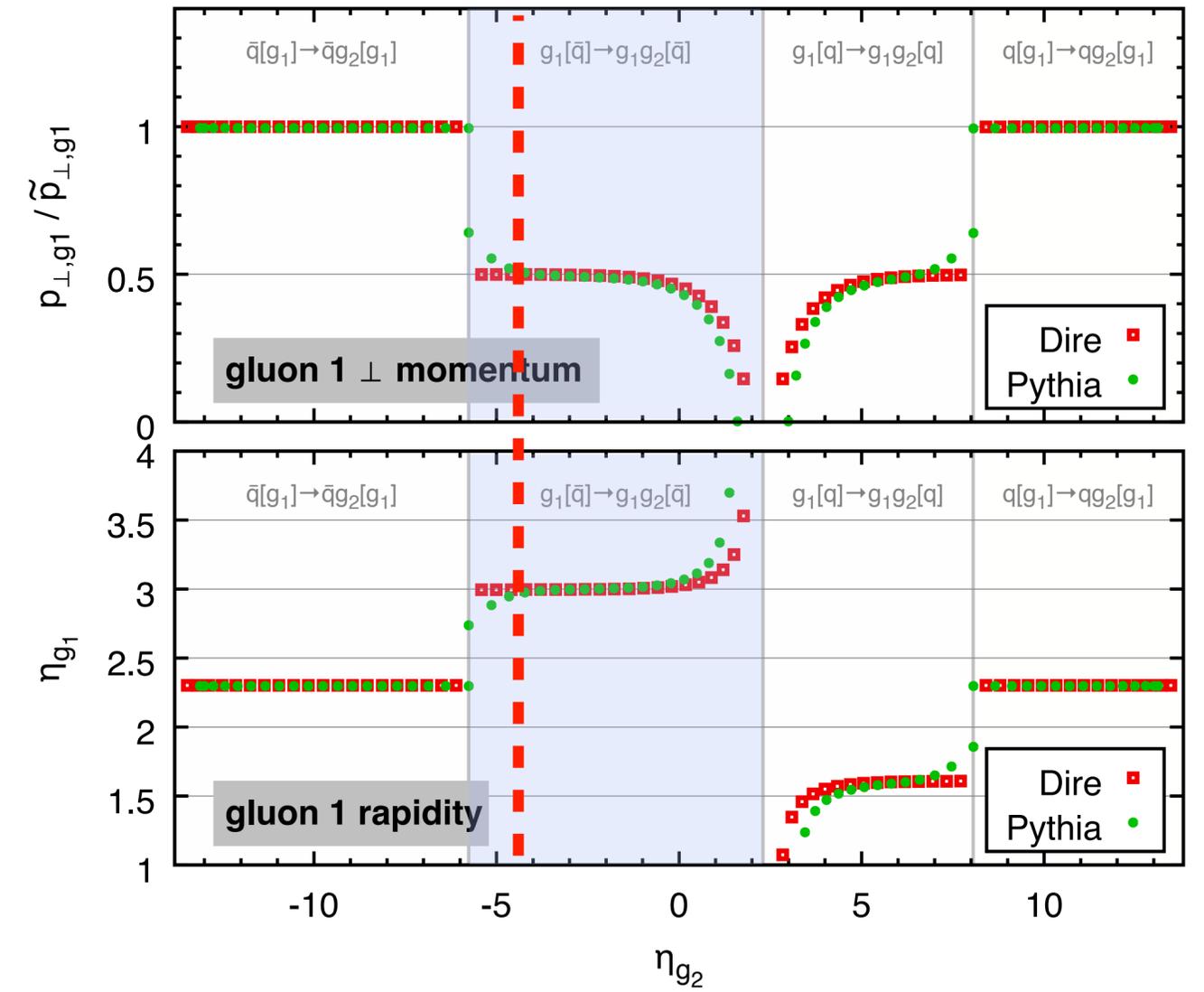
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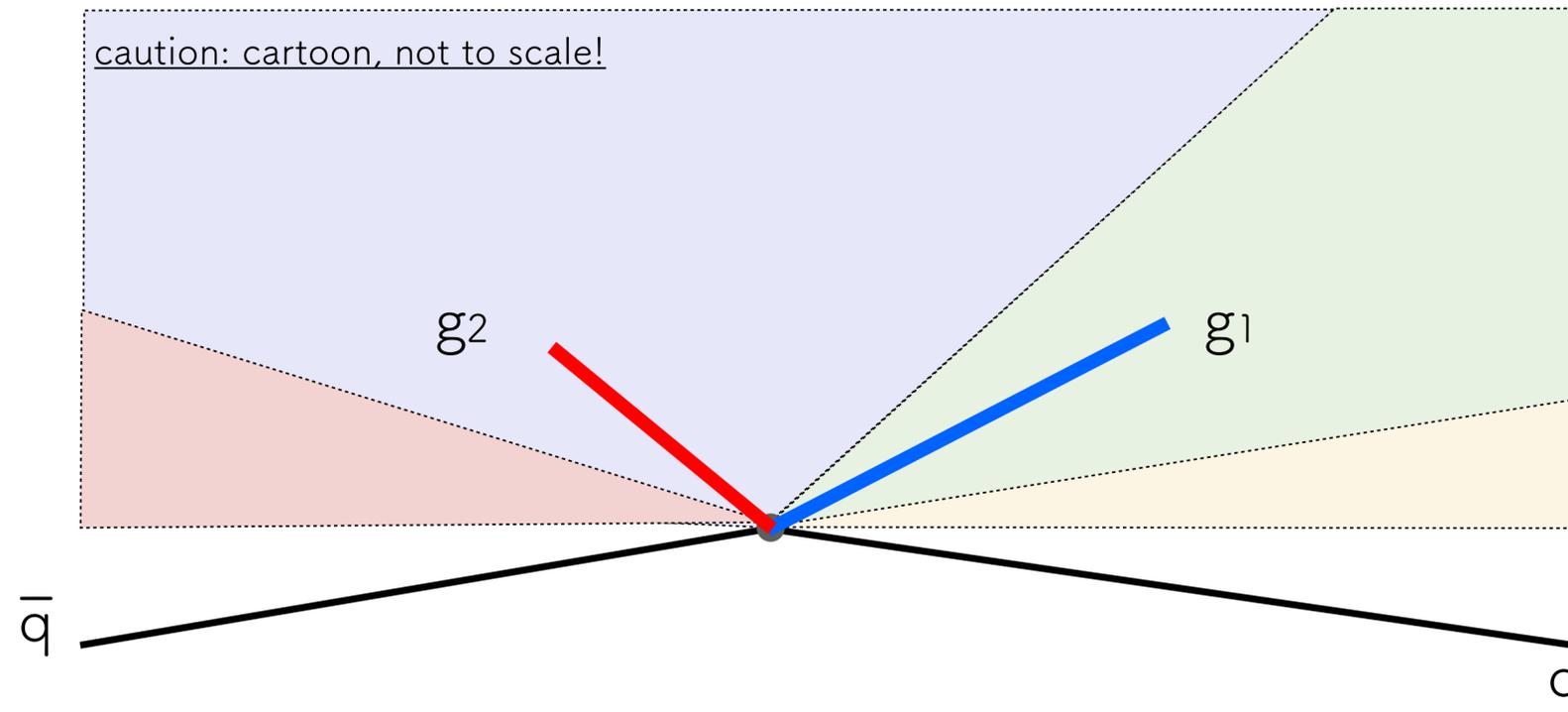
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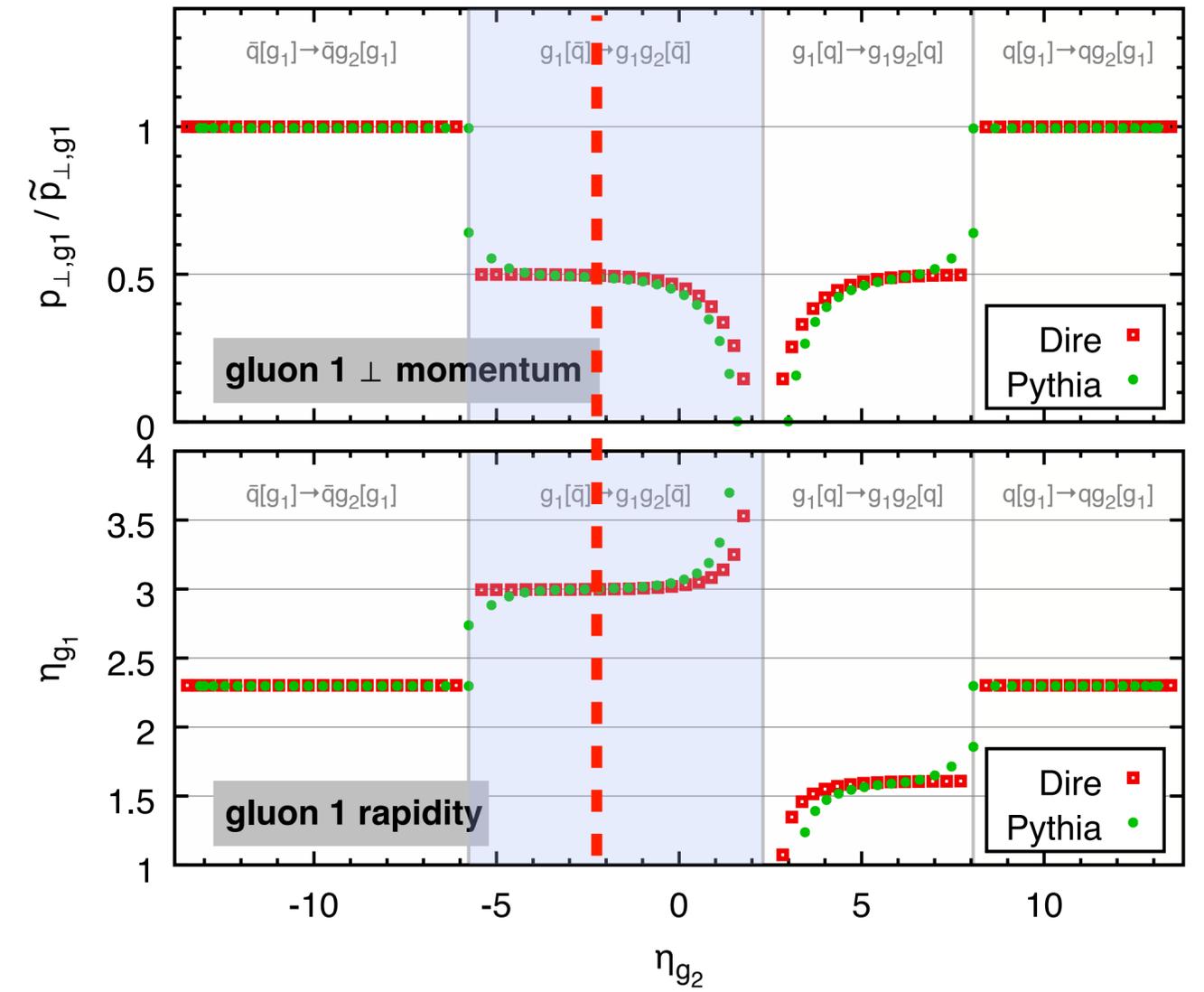
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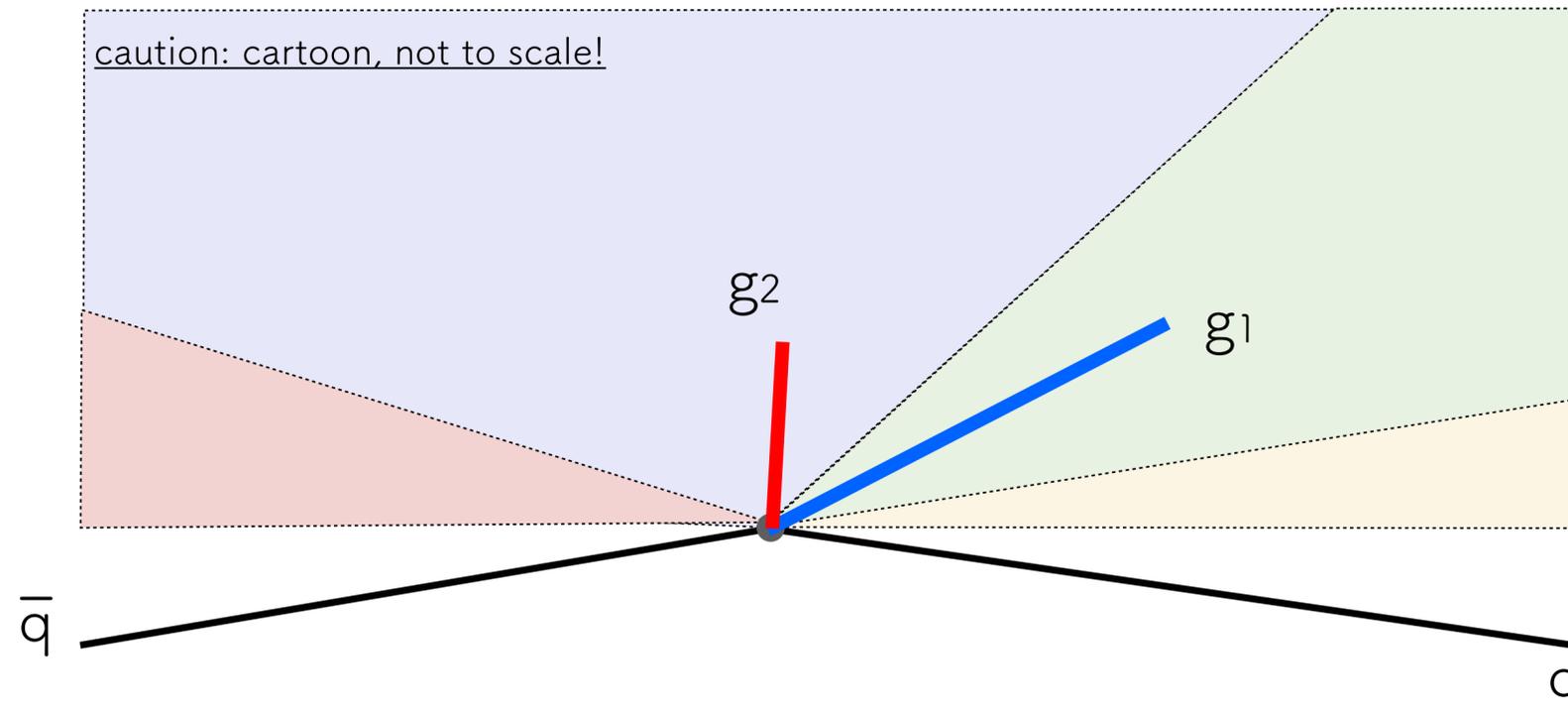
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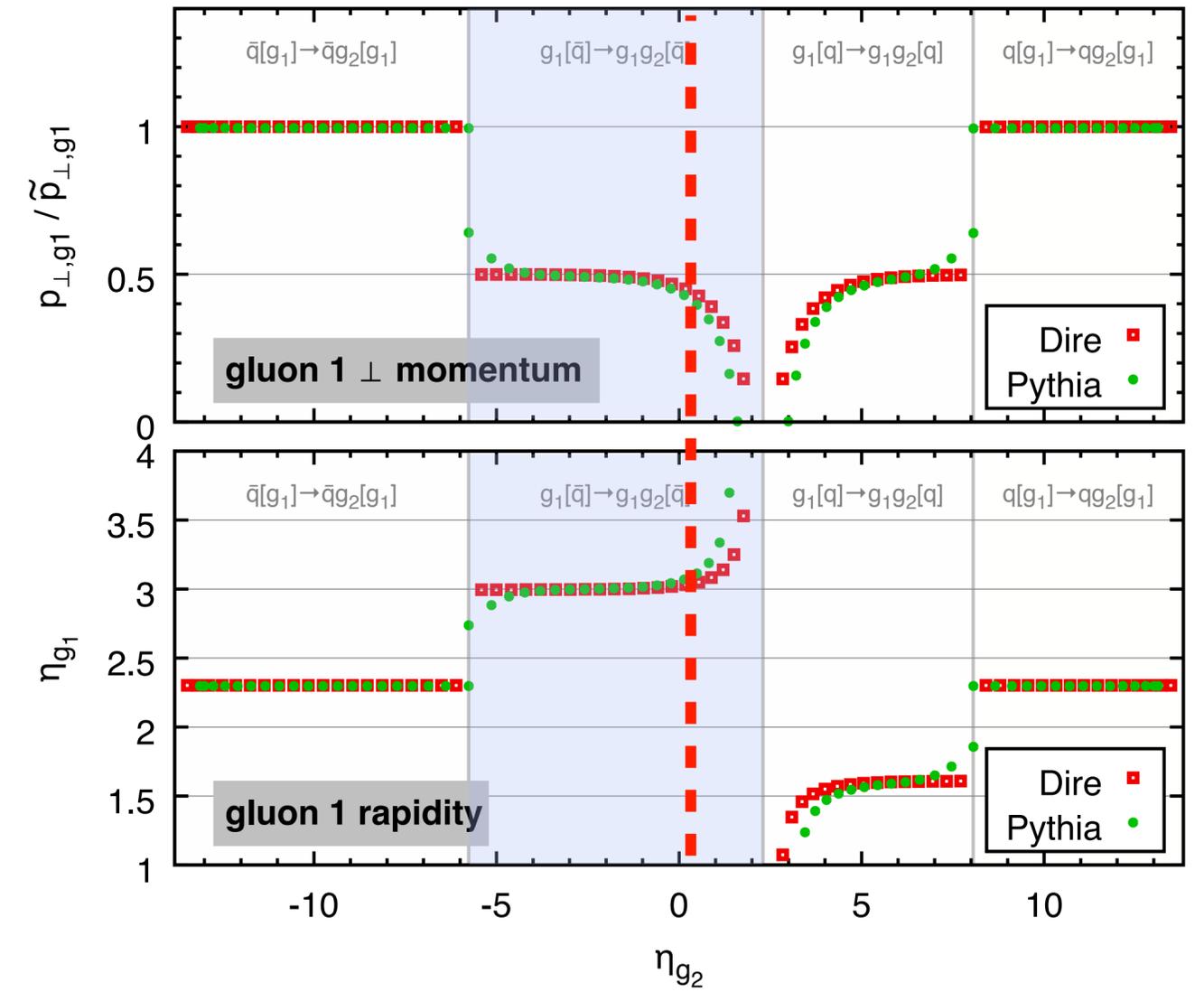
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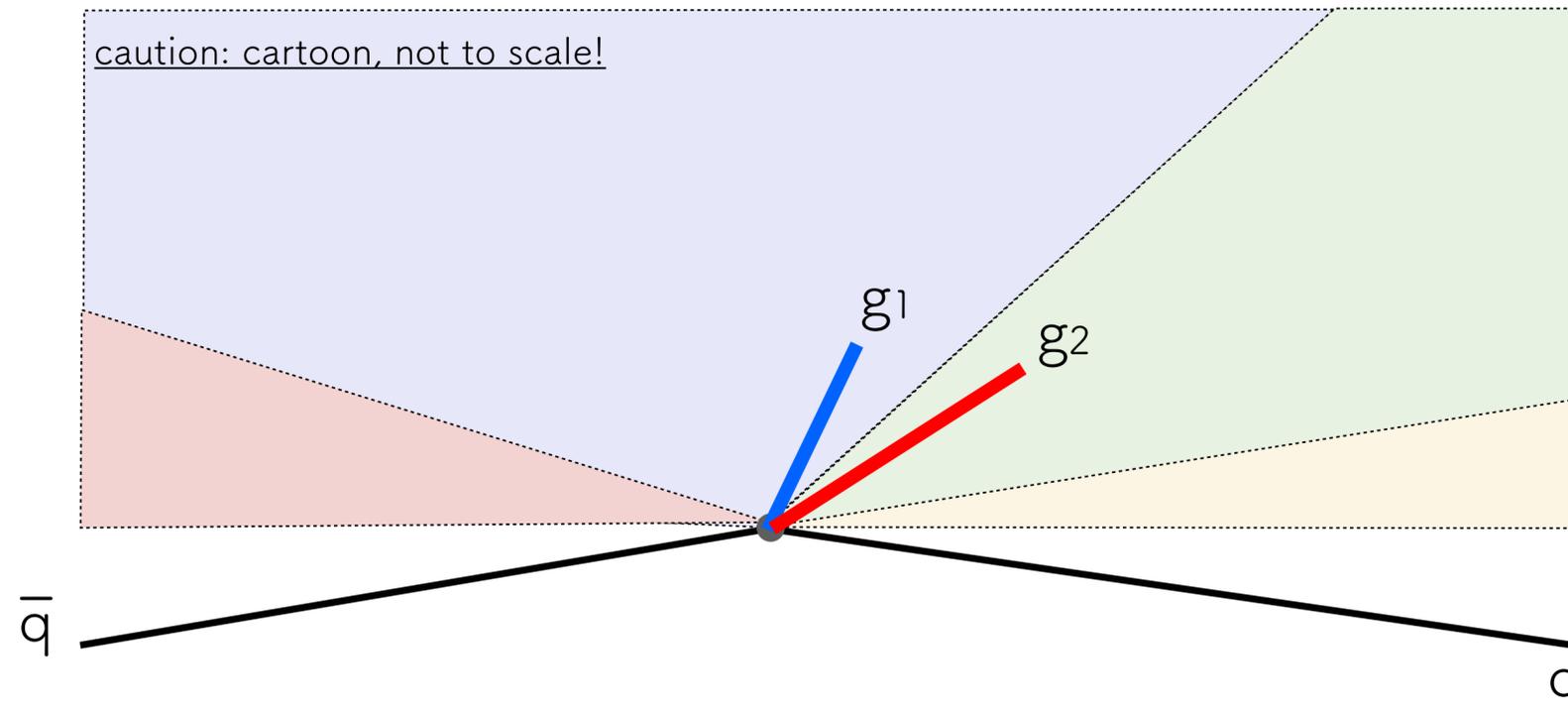
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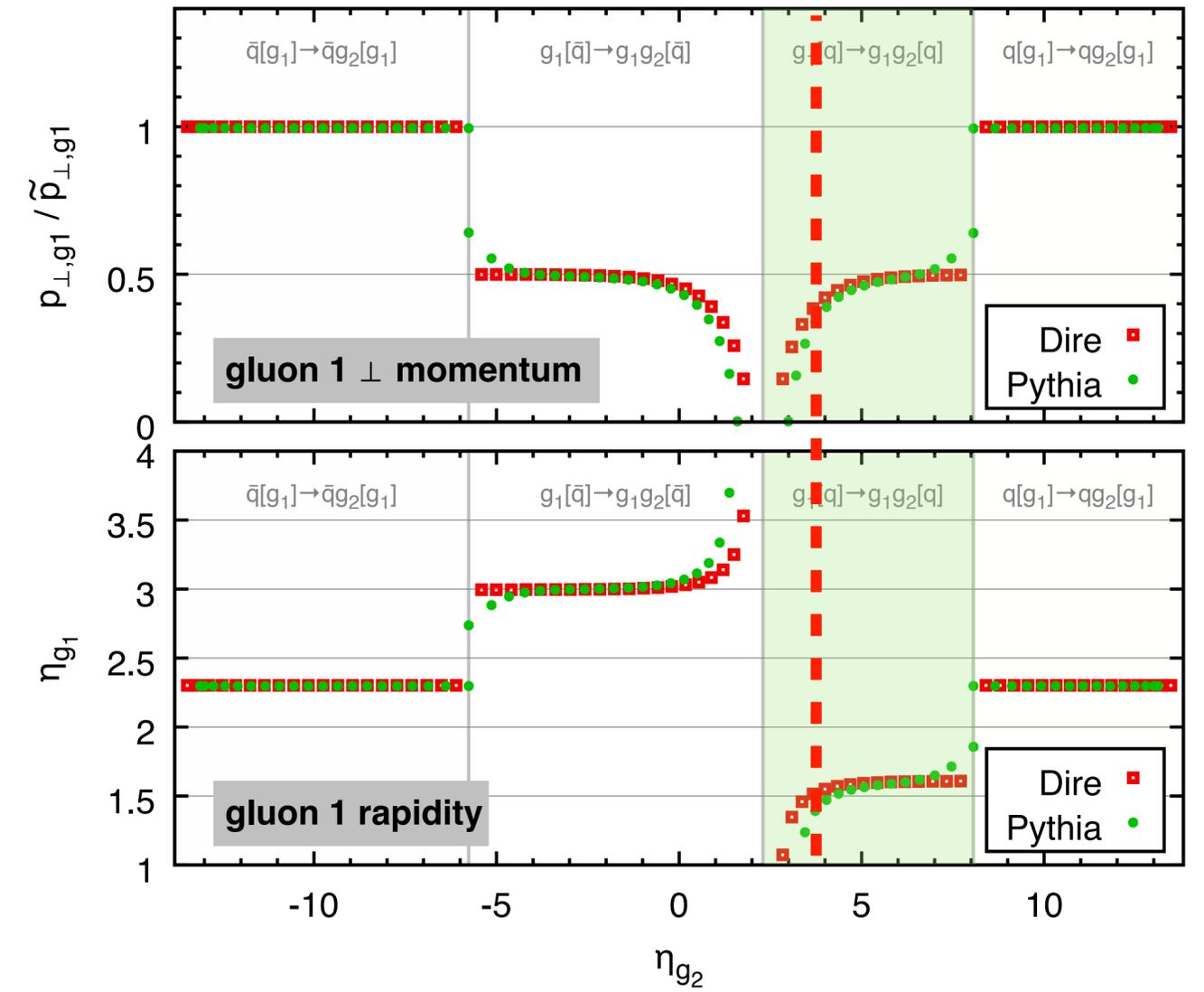
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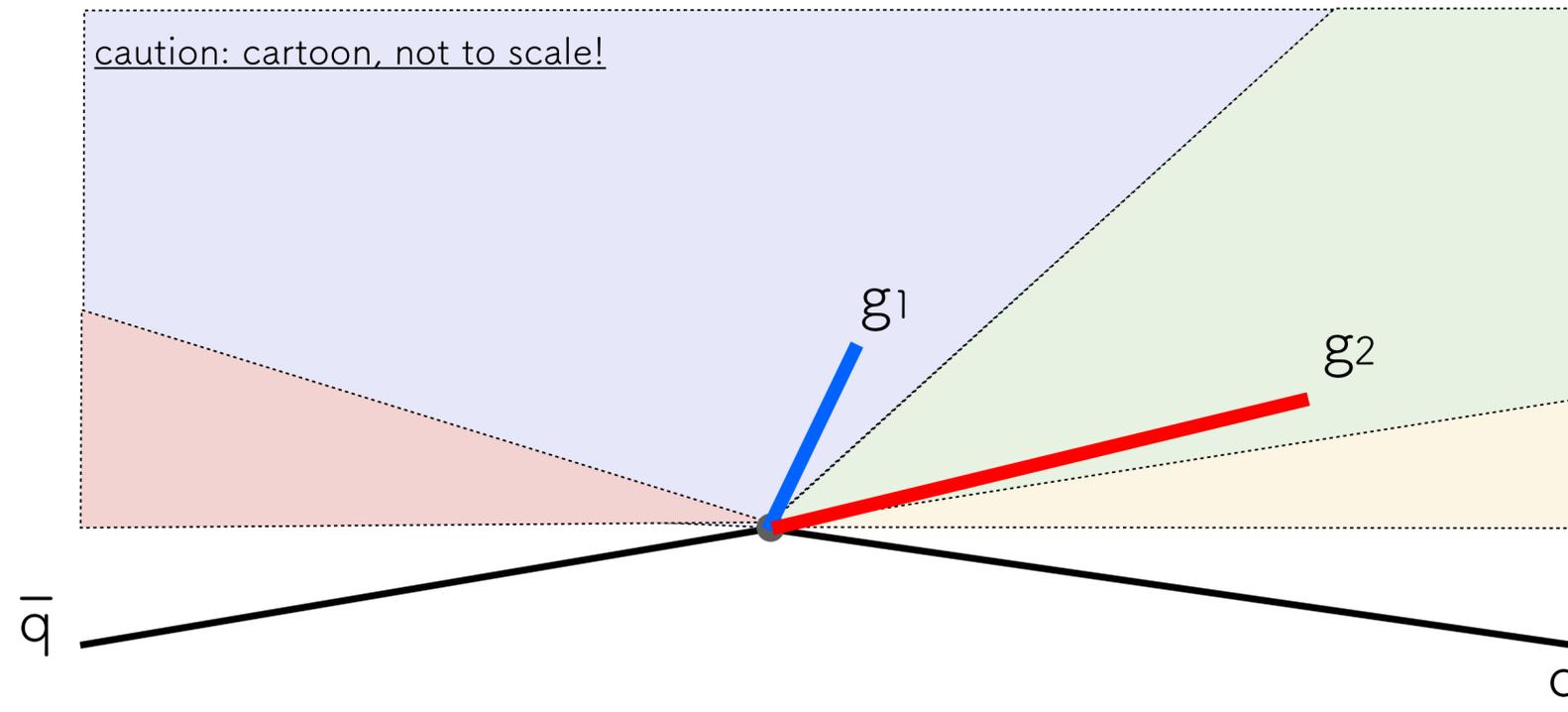
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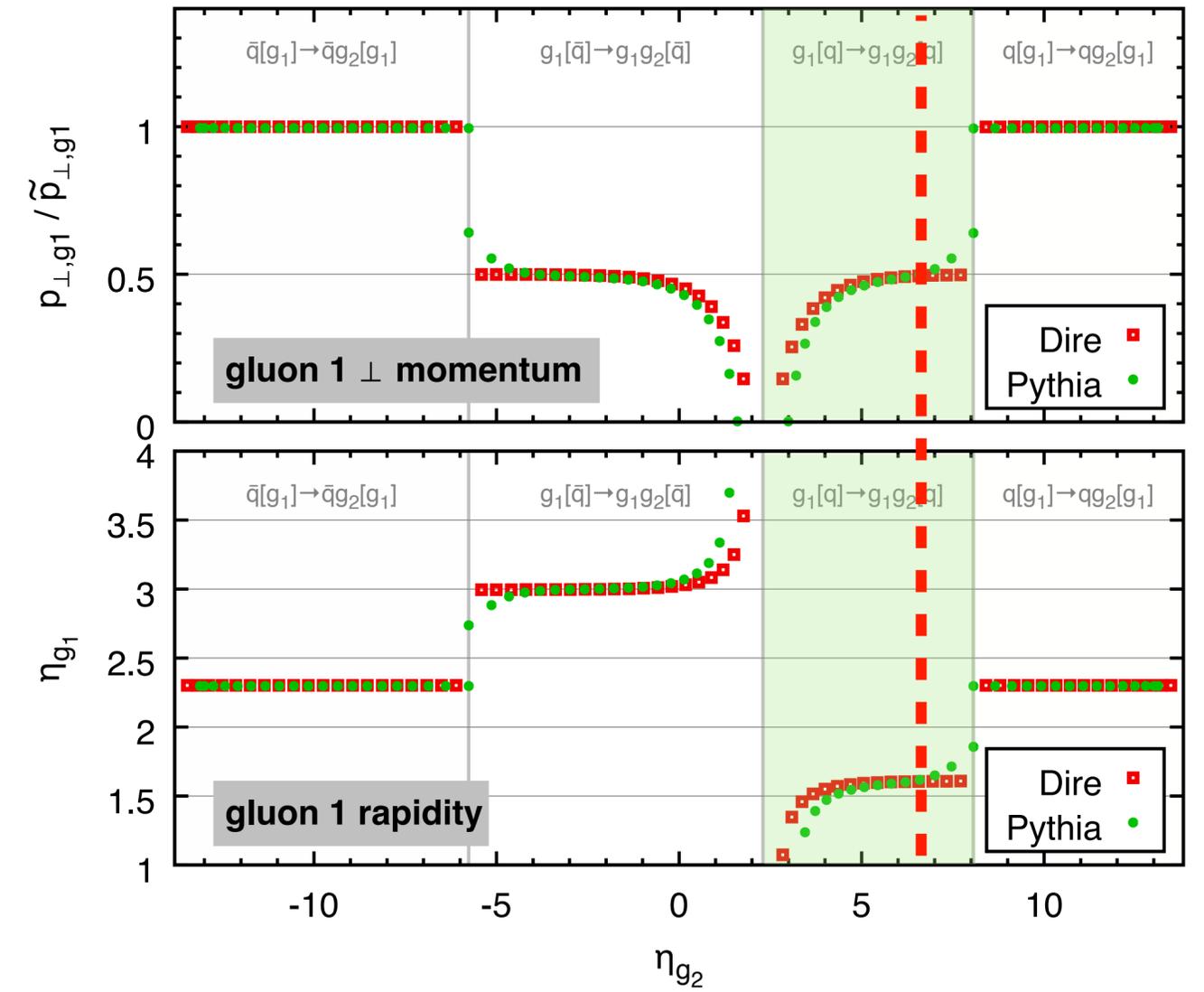
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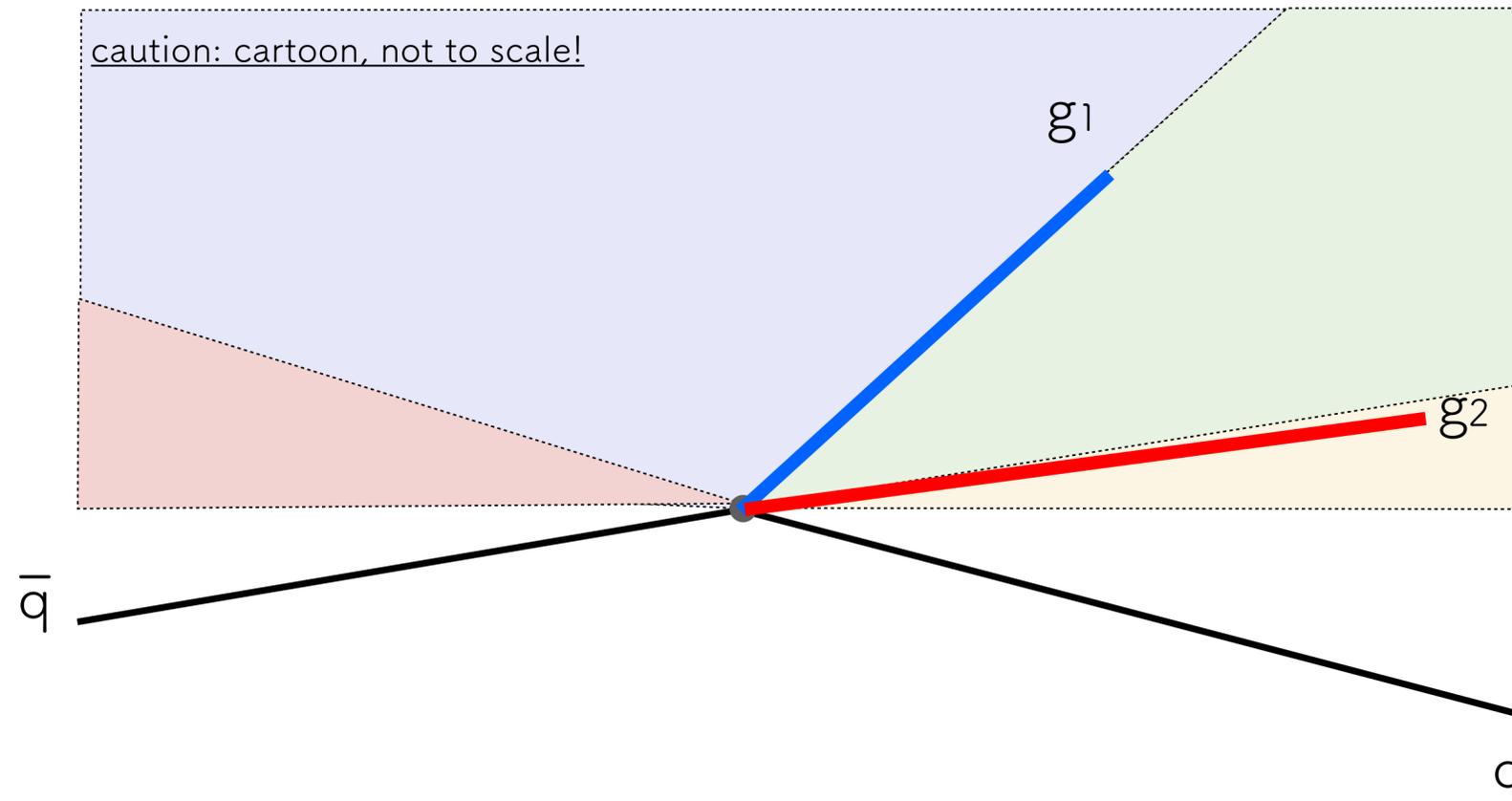
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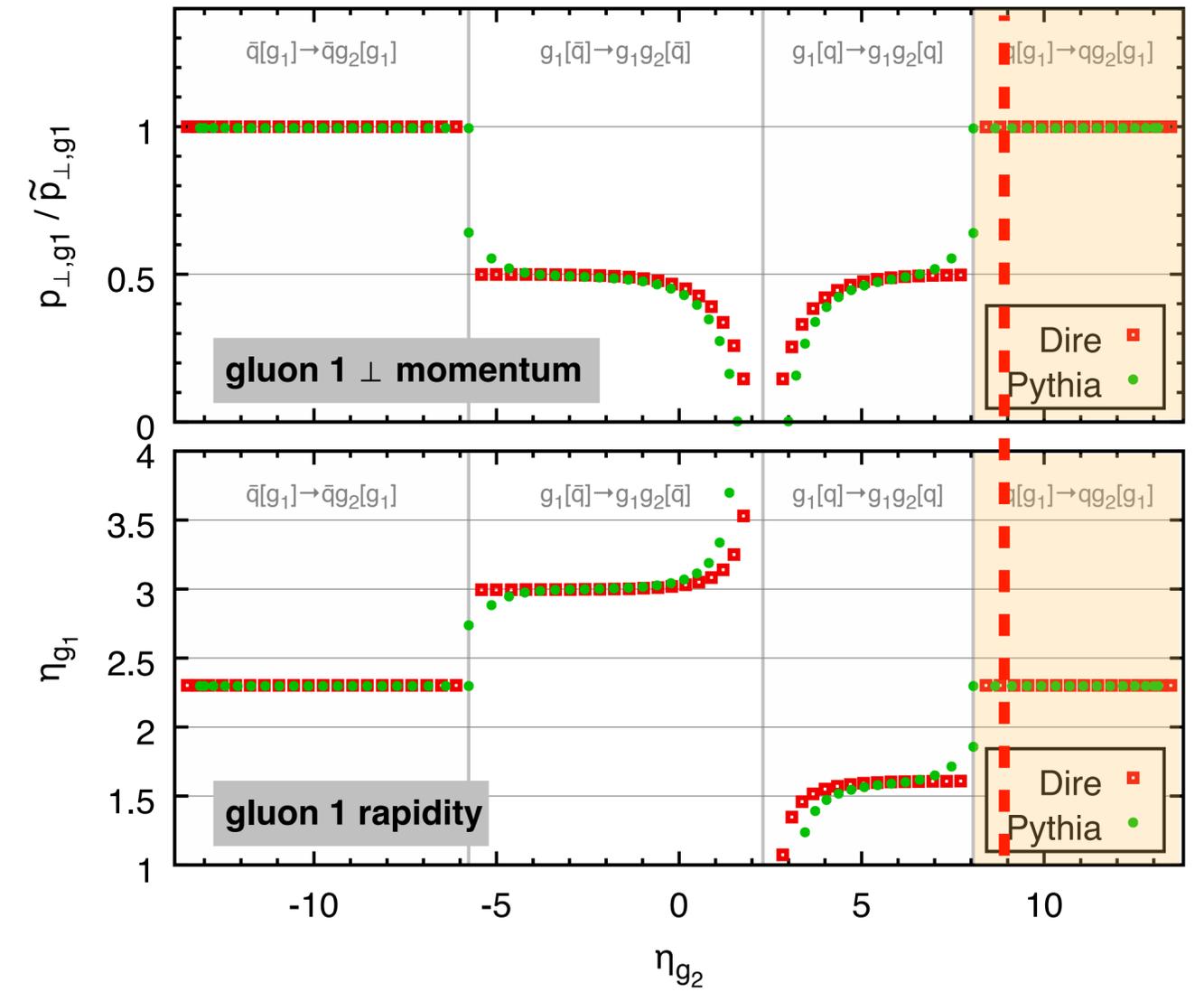
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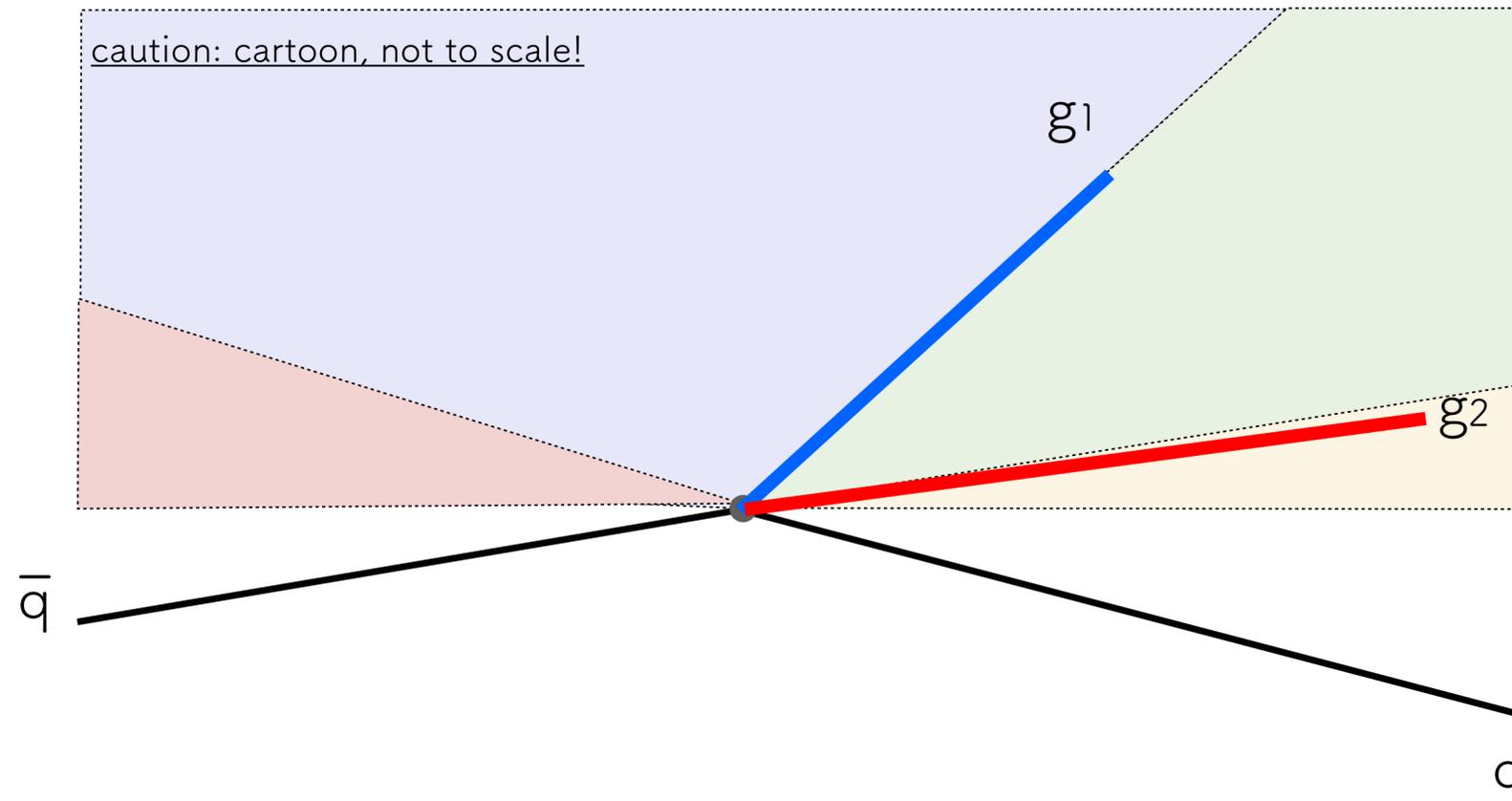
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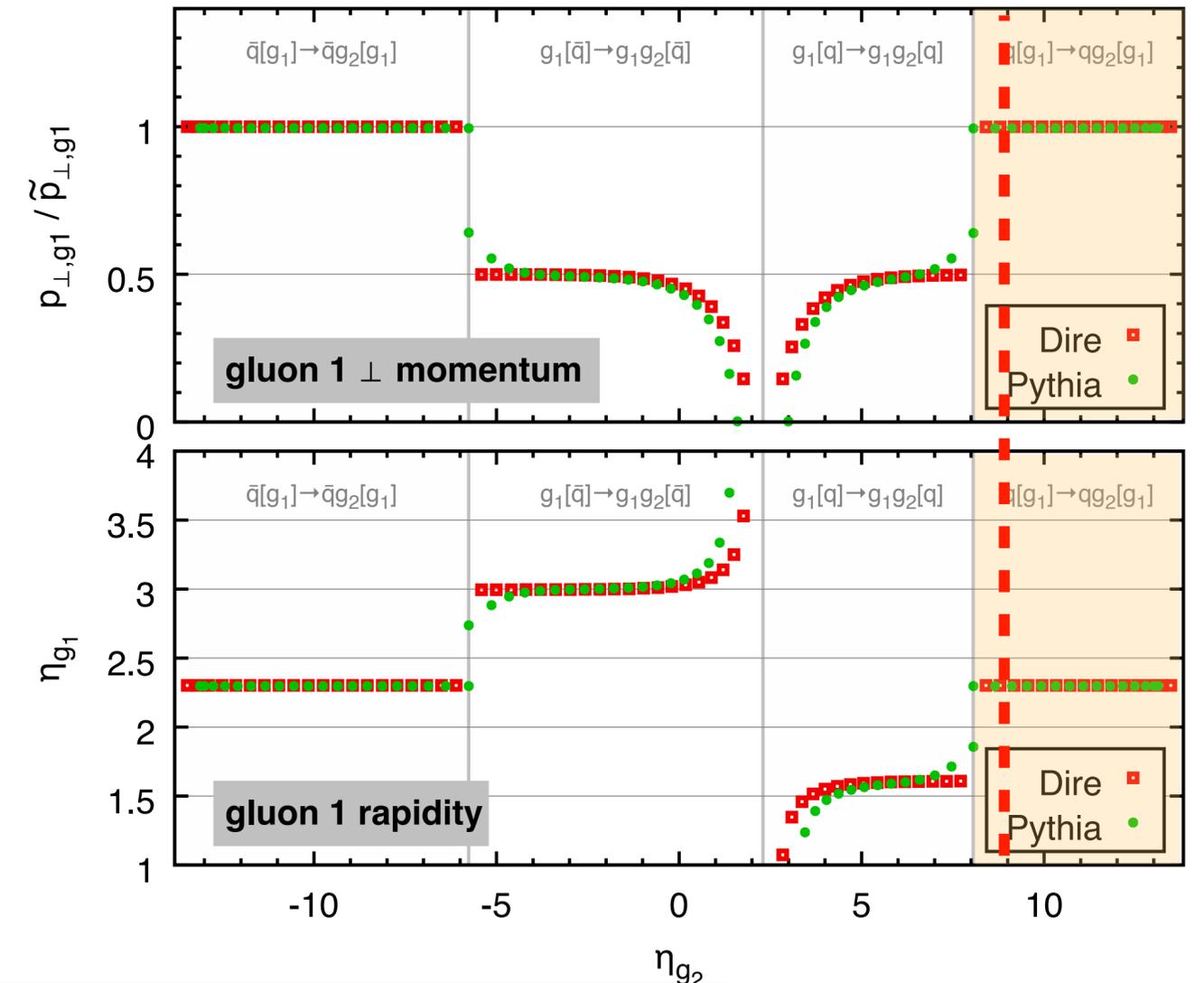
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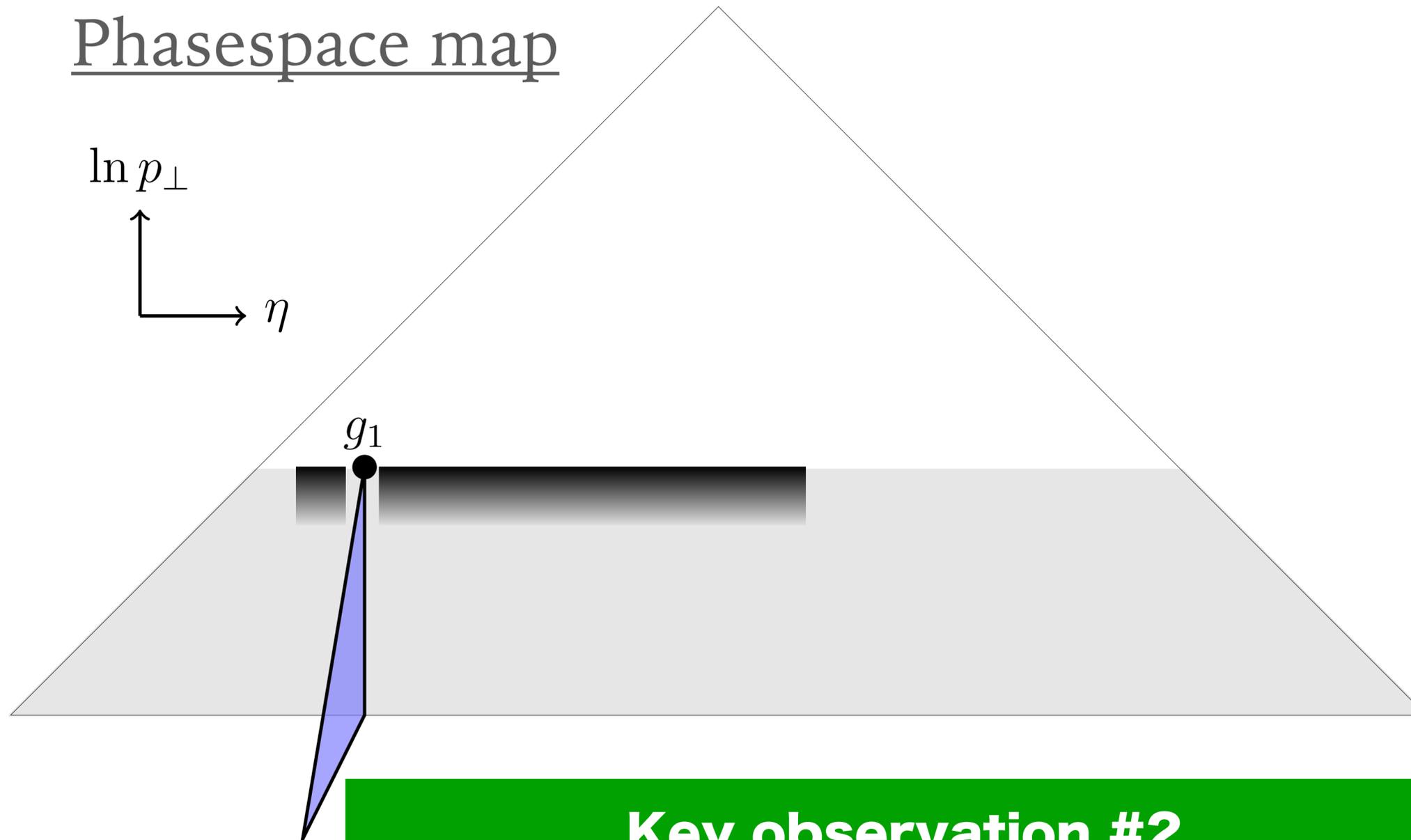
Key observation #1

highly non-trivial cross talk between emissions

also noticed in 1992 by Andersson, Gustafson & Sjogren \rightarrow special “fudge” in Ariadne

Two emissions matrix-element

Phasespace map

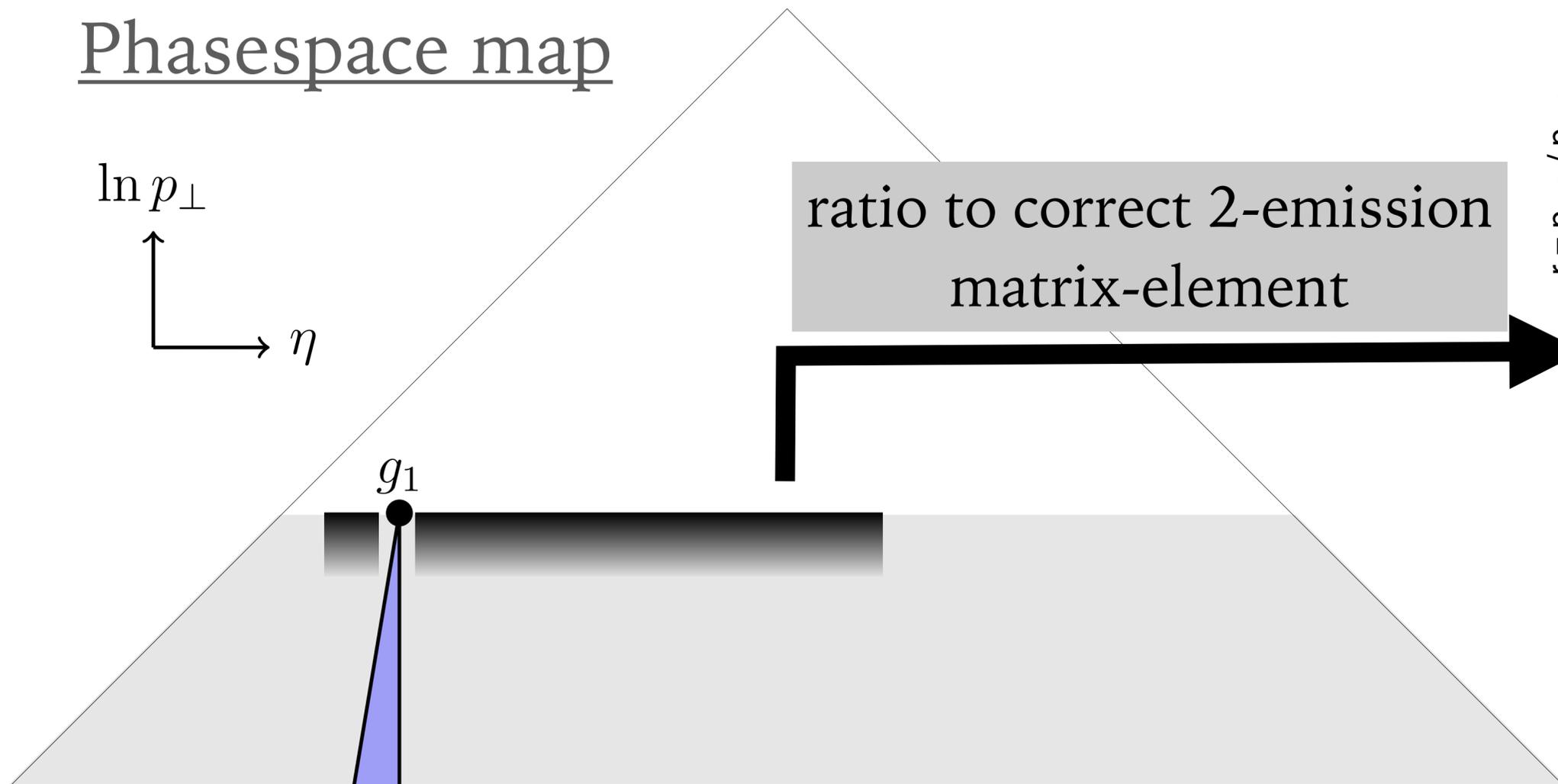


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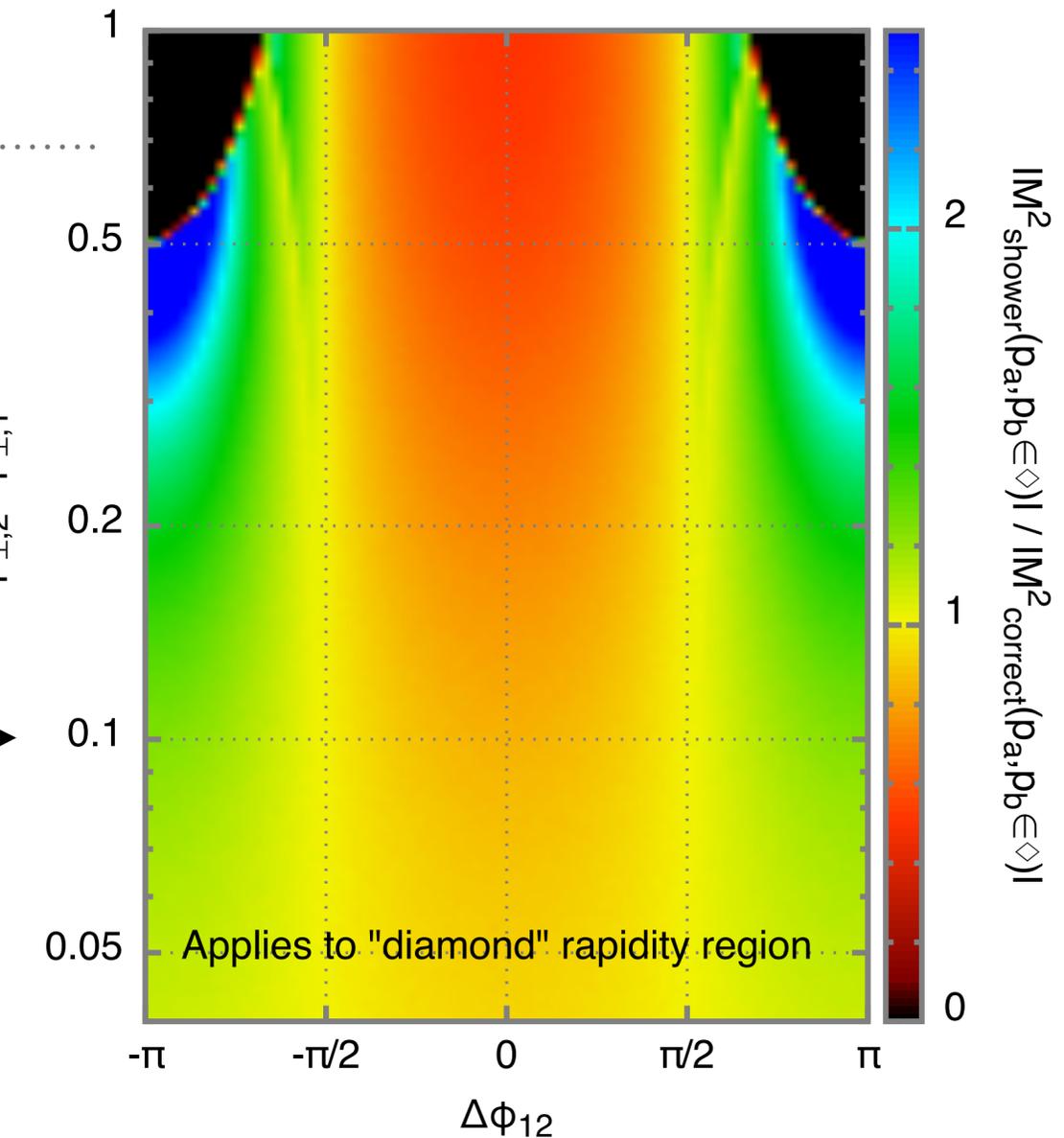
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ratio of dipole-shower double-soft ME to correct result



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Prevents shower from getting NLL accuracy for any e+e- event shape

Observable	NLL _{ln Σ} discrepancy
$1 - T$	$0.116^{+0.004}_{-0.004} \bar{\alpha}^3 L^3$
vector p_t sum	$-0.349^{+0.003}_{-0.003} \bar{\alpha}^3 L^3$
B_T	$-0.0167335 \bar{\alpha}^2 L^2$
y_3^{cam}	$-0.18277 \bar{\alpha}^2 L^2$
FC_1	$-0.066934 \bar{\alpha}^2 L^2$

numerically, coefficients are not large compared to other effects, cf.

$$CMW \simeq 0.65 \bar{\alpha}^2 L^2$$

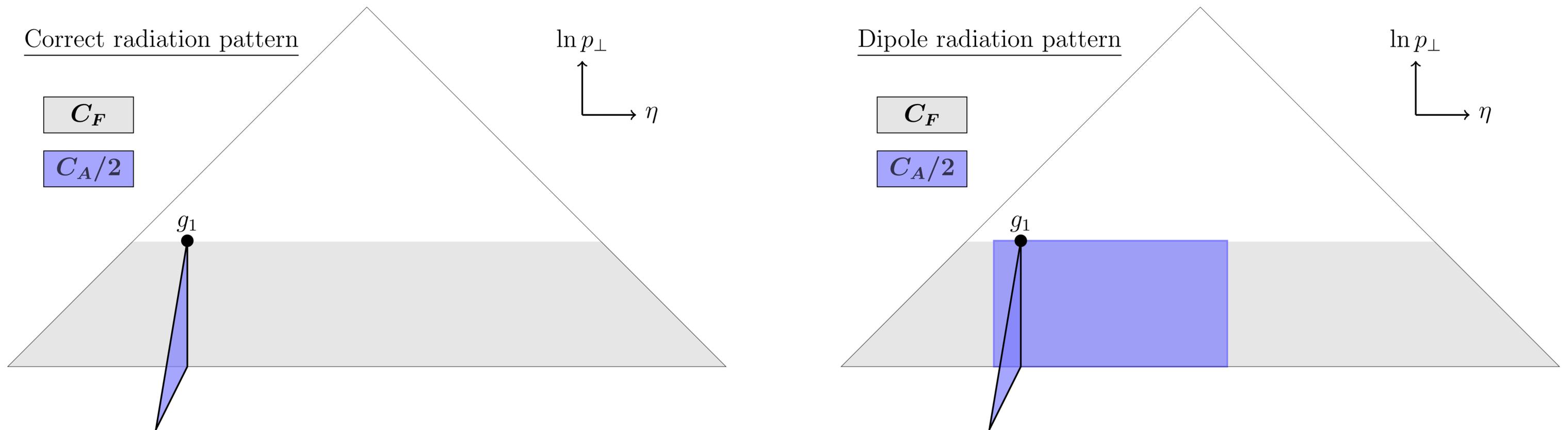
(because all these observables are quite inclusive)

but machine-learning uses all info — including large phase space regions with 100% deficiencies

probably can't be solved with $1 \rightarrow 3$, because iteration affects $1 \rightarrow N$

so far took $C_F = C_A/2$, i.e. leading N_c limit

In real life they're not equal & common choice for allocating them assigns $C_A/2$ to large part of phase space that is actually gluon emission from quark (i.e. C_F)

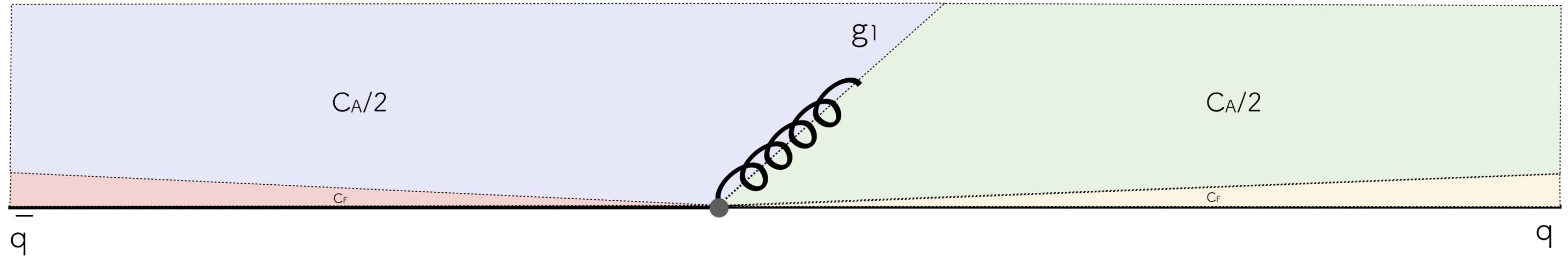


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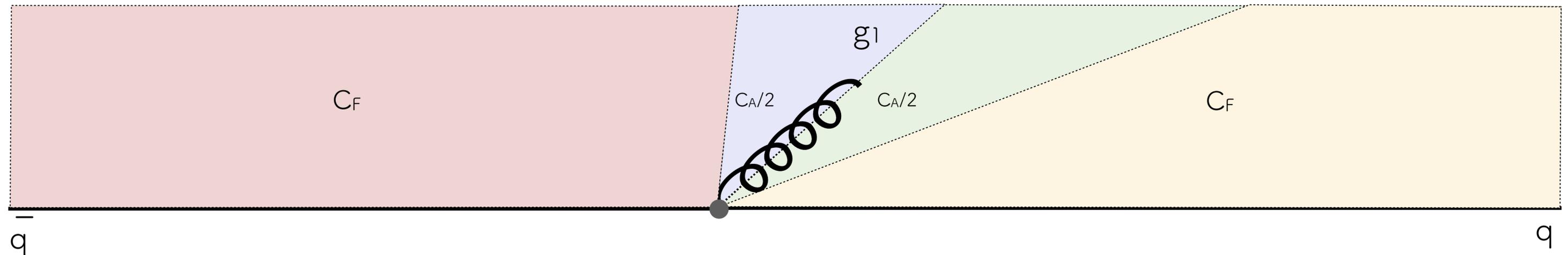
C_F v. $C_A/2$ issues occurs over a large area \rightarrow double (leading) log effects?

another view of the colour issue

- The dipole shower phase space partitioning of g_2 's radiation pattern is:



- Angular ordering implies a partitioning more like the following:



impact on observables?

Has LL subleading- N_C effect on 3-jet rates, thrust, but *not for* things like broadening, 2-jet rate (which are physically close the evolution variable, i.e. transverse momentum).

E.g. for thrust

$$\delta\Sigma(L) = -\frac{1}{64}\bar{\alpha}^2 L^4 \left(\frac{C_A}{2C_F} - 1 \right)$$

closing

Conclusions

Parton showers are a crucial element in collider physics

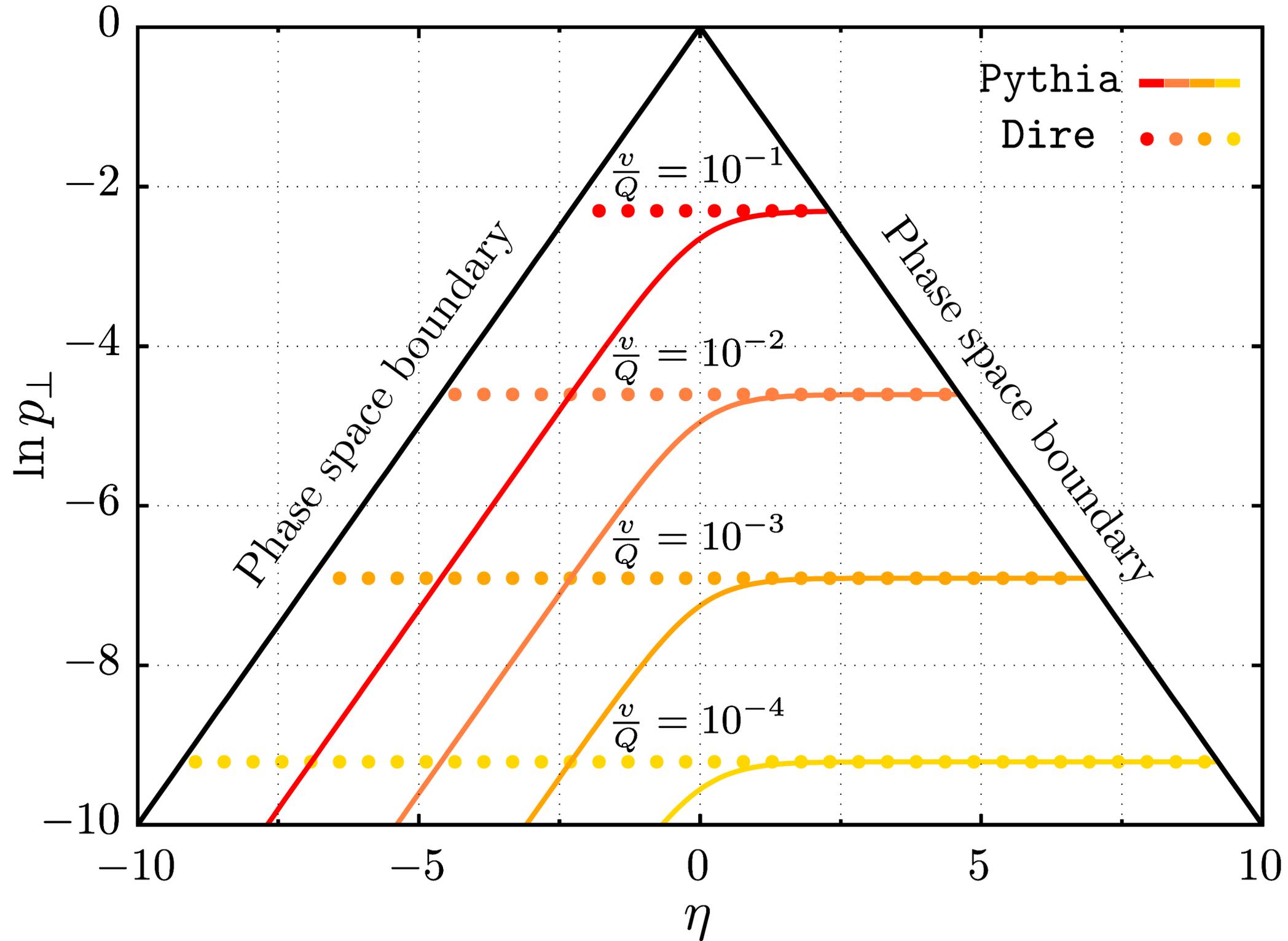
Seeing many developments (subleading colour for non-global logarithms, multi-particle emission kernels, etc.)

But maybe we need to go back to foundations:

- improving parton showers is not just a question of better components (e.g. higher-order splitting kernels)
- question of how components are assembled is equally crucial
- we must identify & state what a parton shower should be achieving
- new studies along these lines are teaching us important things about existing showers

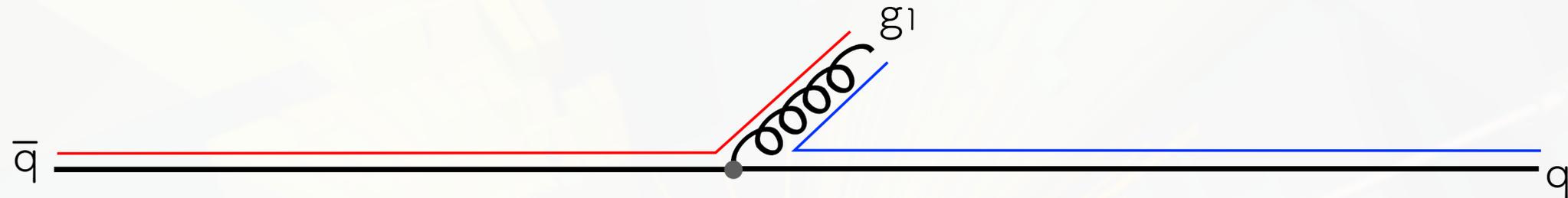
BACKUP

Constant evolution variable contours in the Lund plane



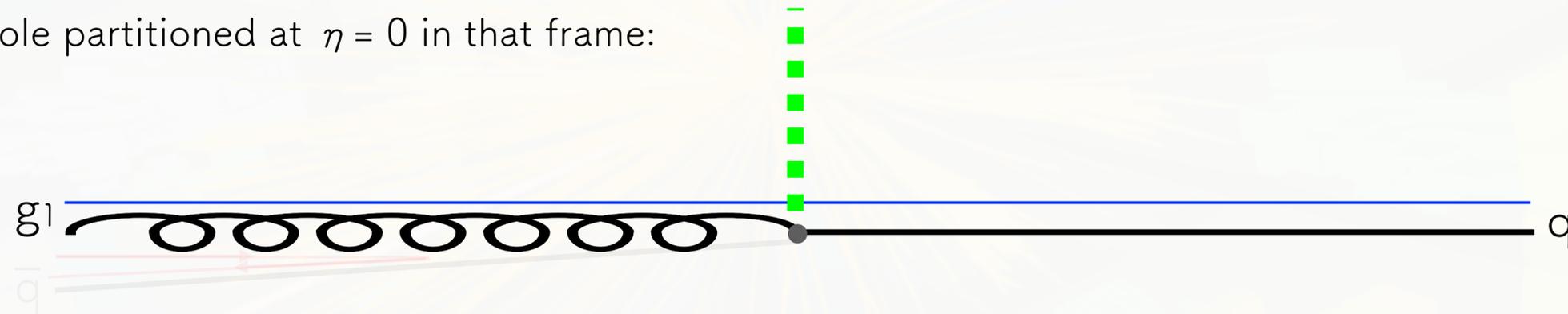
two soft emissions : boost dipole partitions back into the event COM

- Consider we emitted **soft gluon g_1** from **hard** $q\bar{q}$, so we end up with a $qg_1\bar{q}$ and a g_1q dipole:

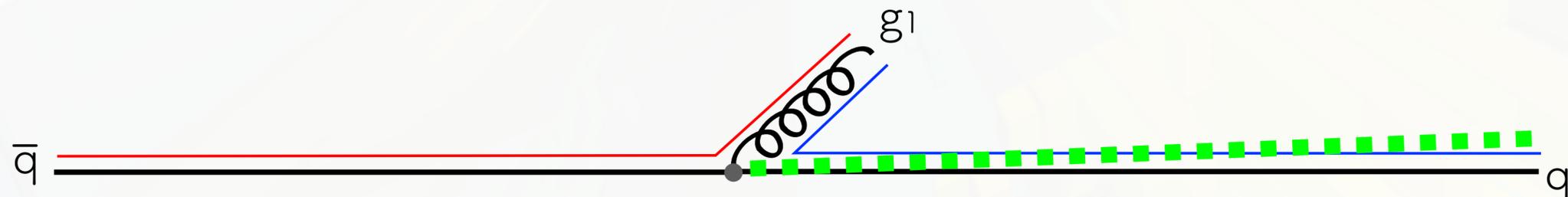


- To get us from the event COM to the g_1q dipole COM [blue line] requires a **BIG BOOST** →

- Dipole partitioned at $\eta = 0$ in that frame:

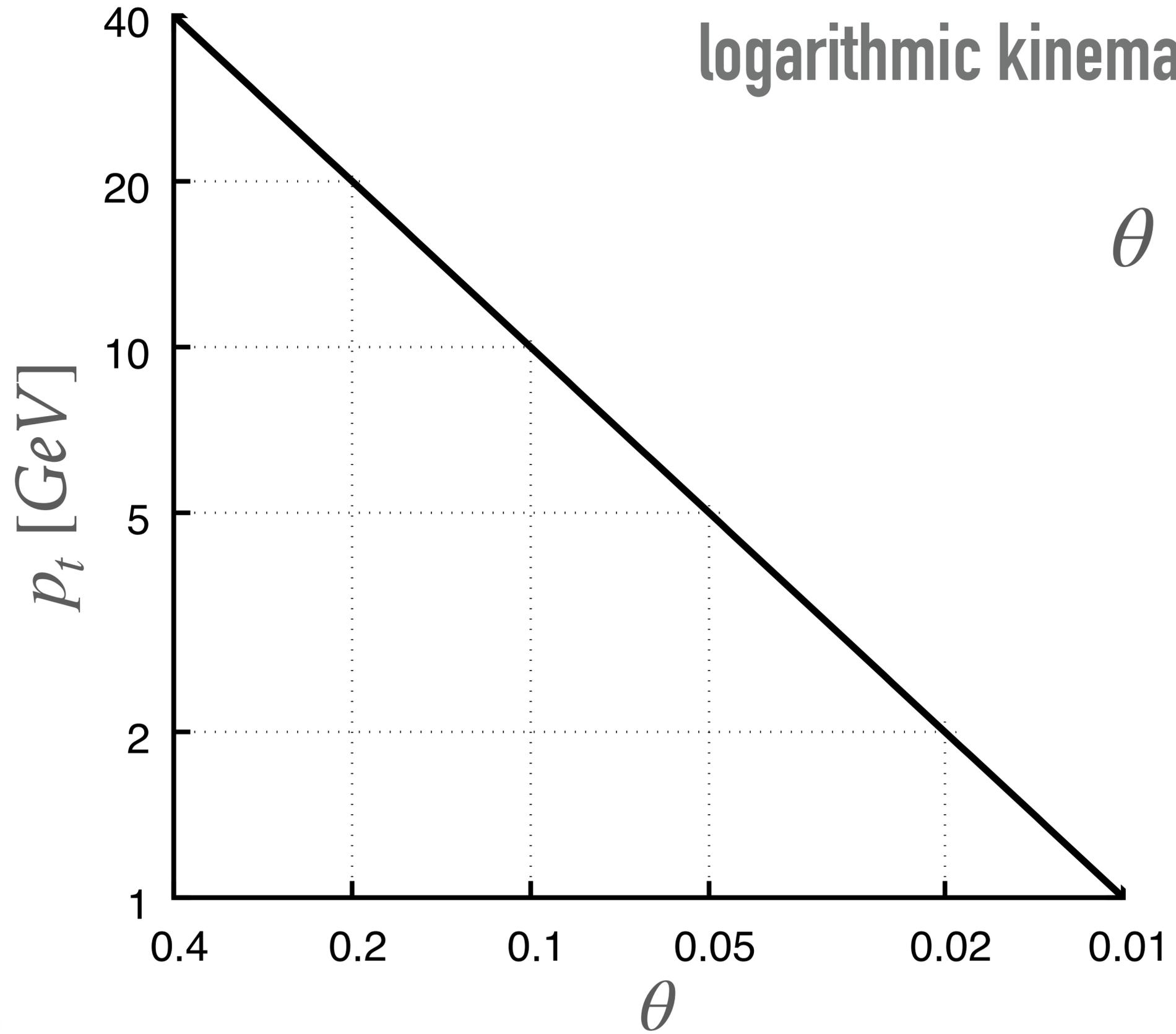


- To get us back to the event COM from the g_1q dipole COM undo the same **BIG BOOST** ←



- In event COM partition comes out very close to q ; instead of equidistant in angle between g_1 & q

jet with $R = 0.4$, $p_t = 200 \text{ GeV}$



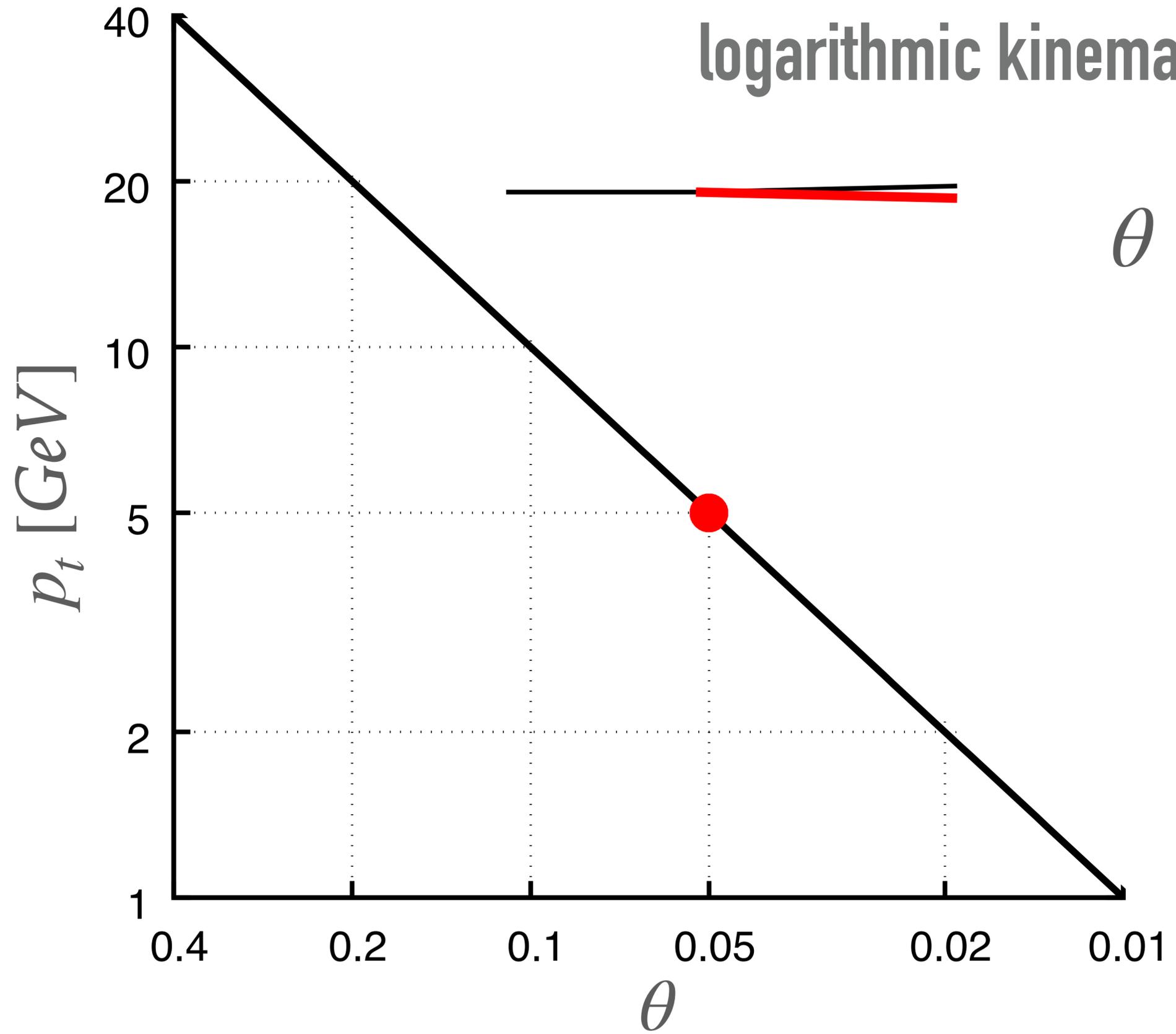
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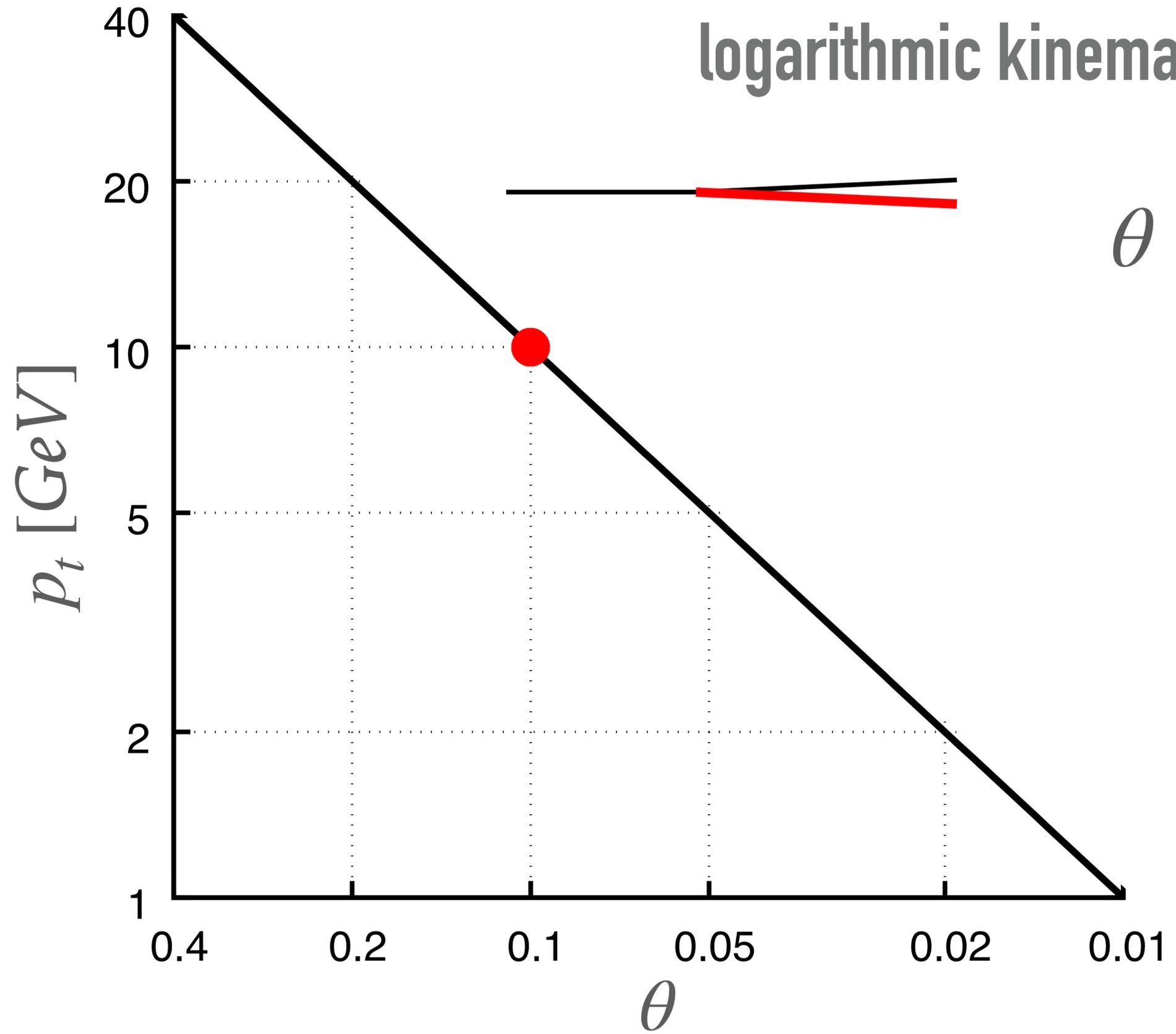
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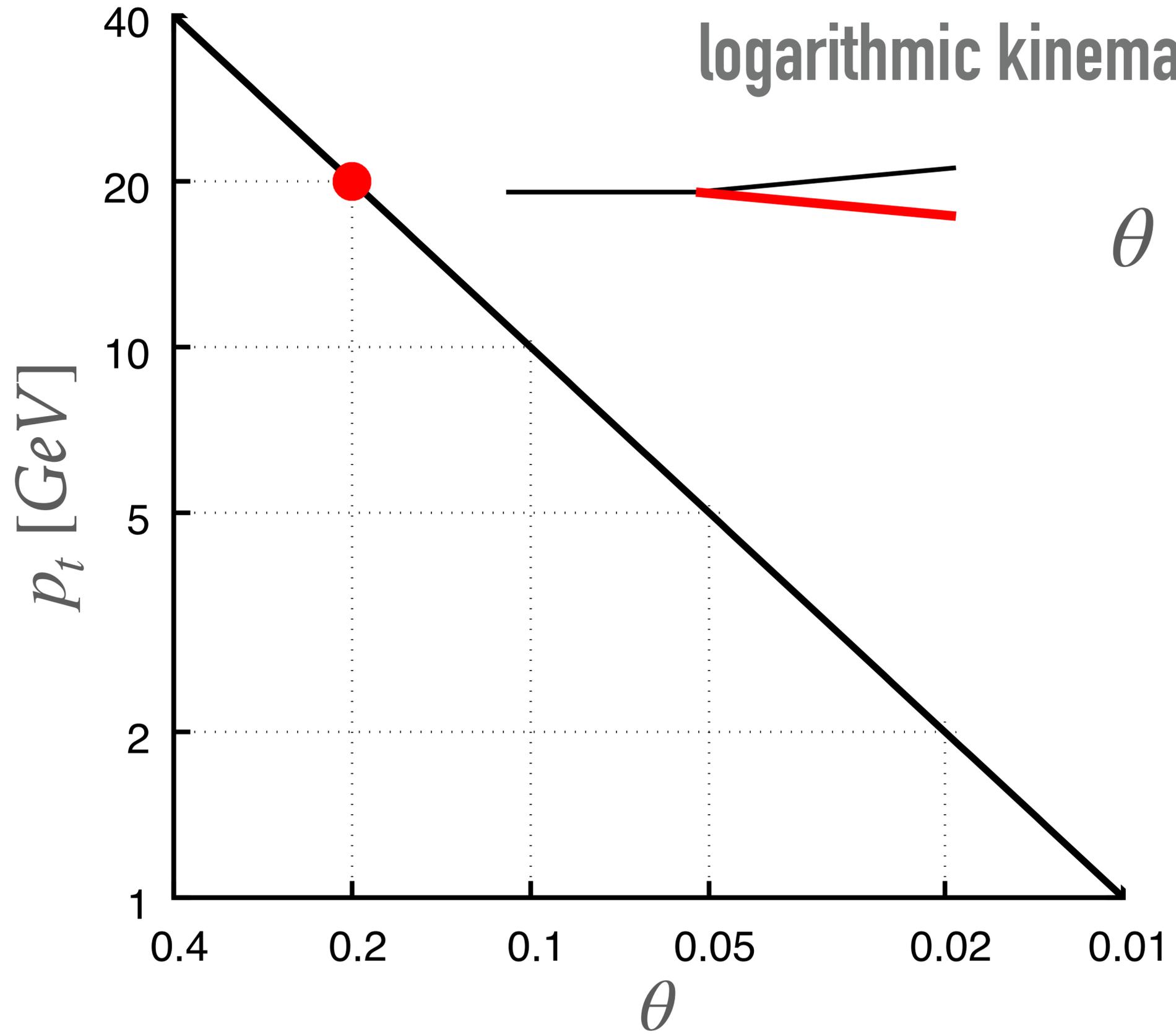
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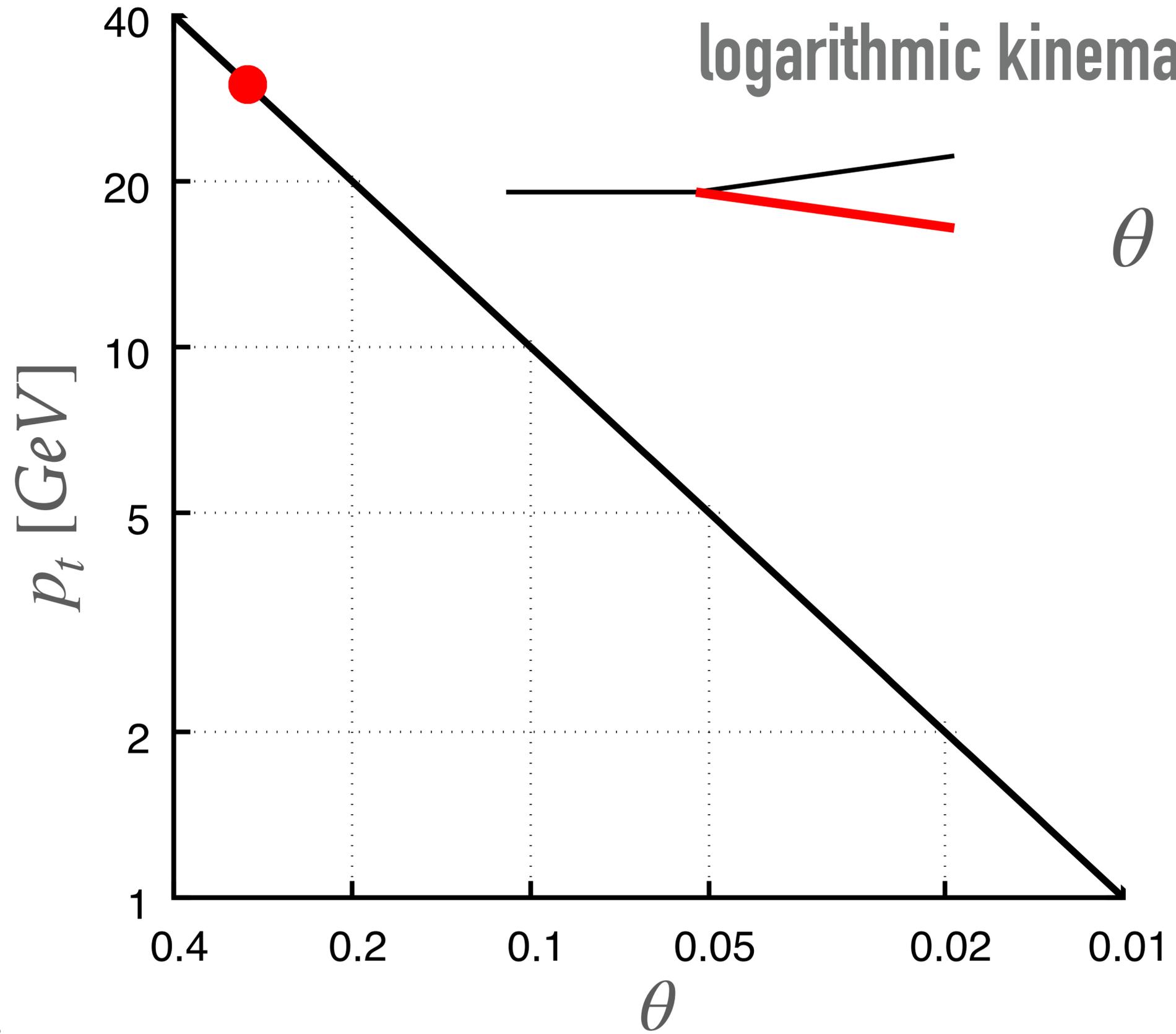
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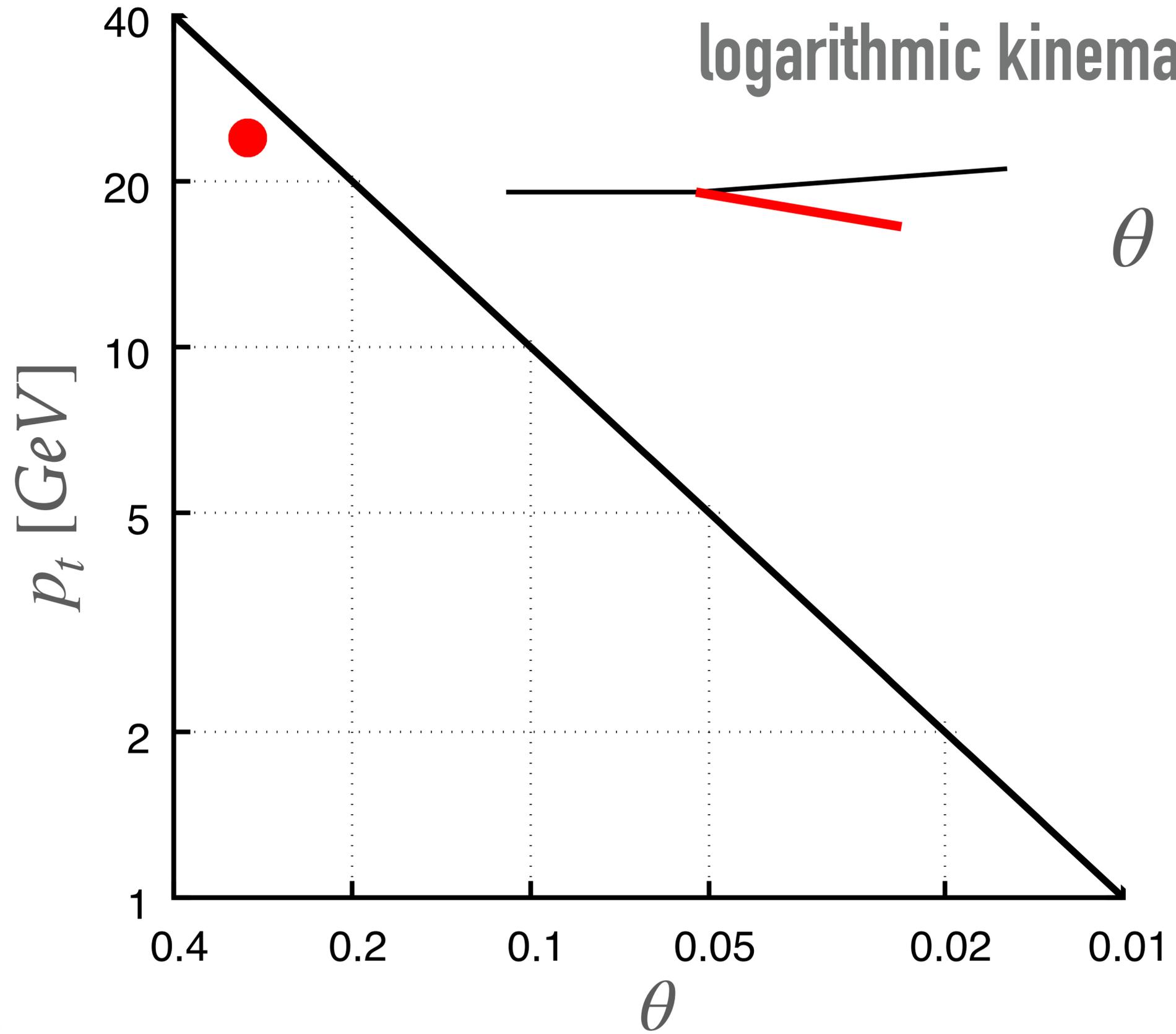
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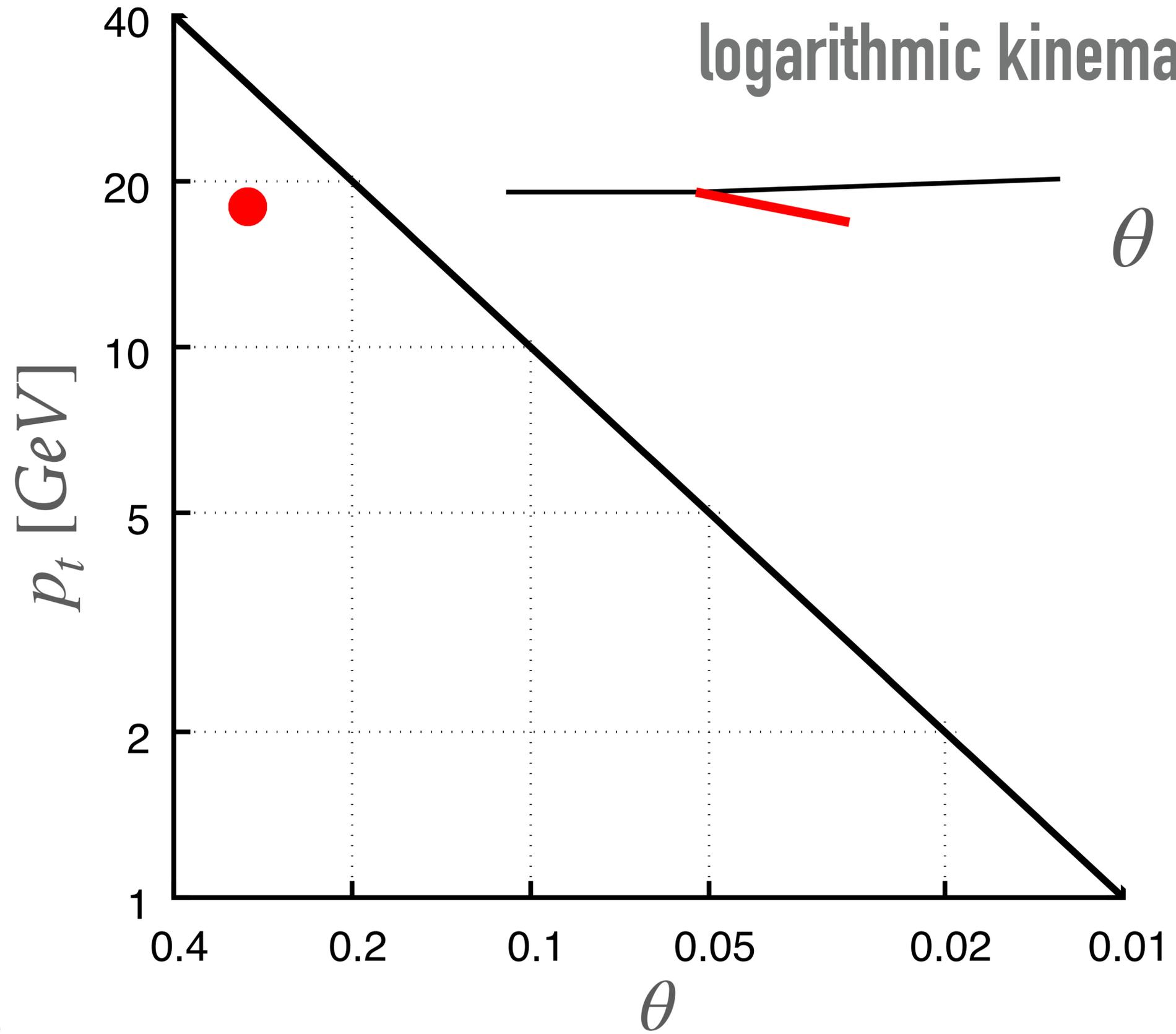
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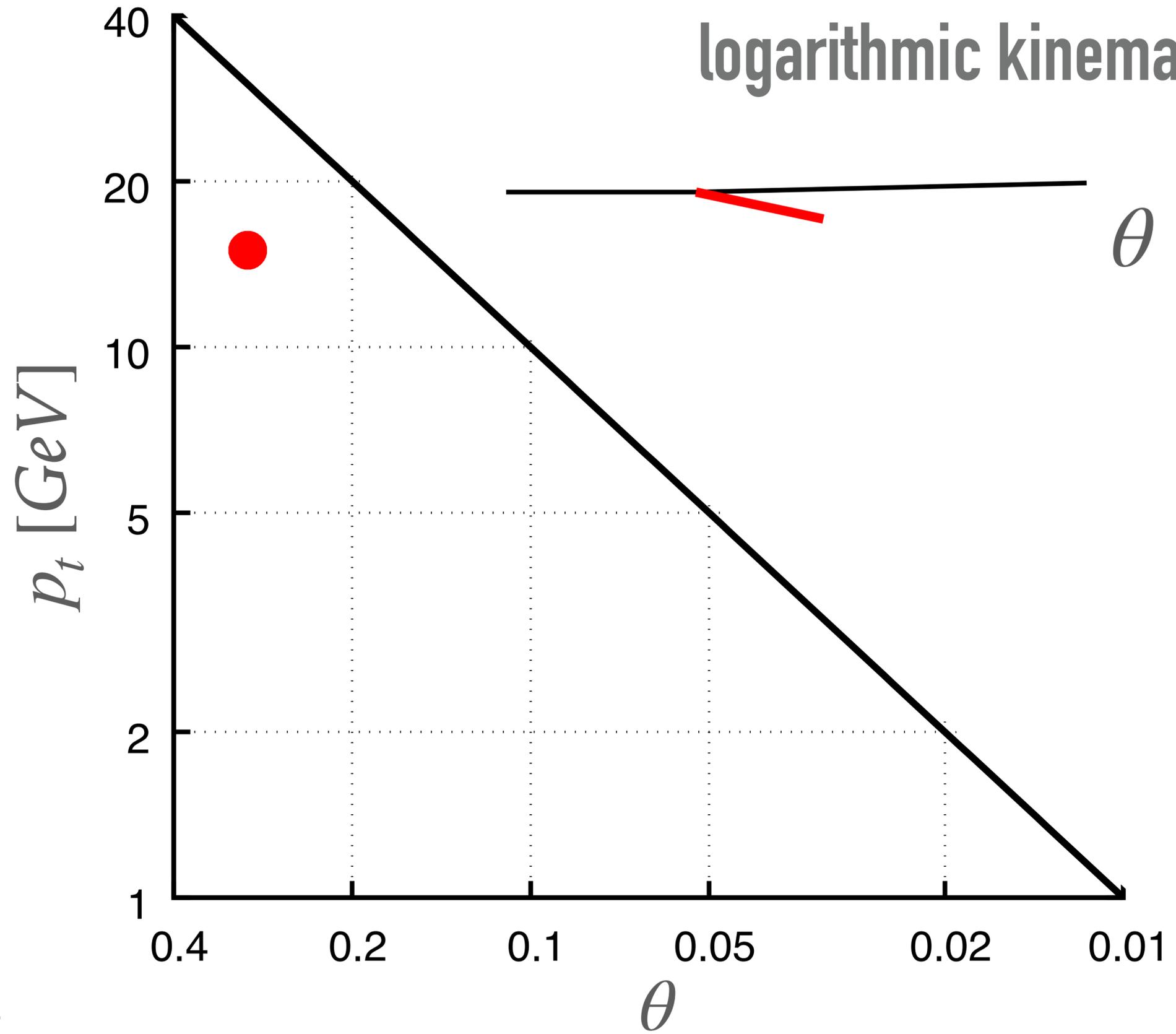
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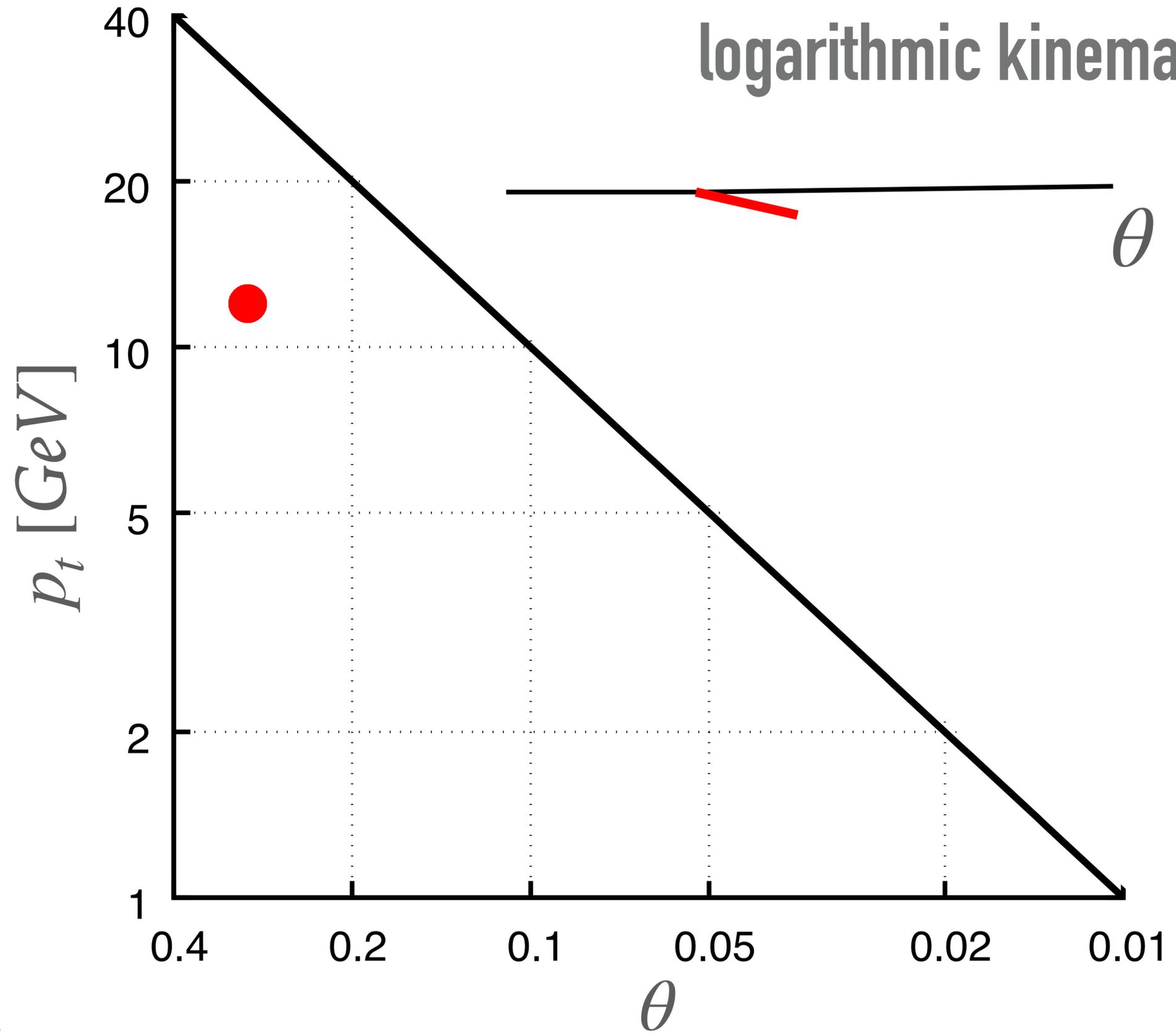
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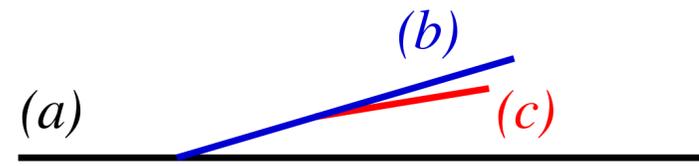
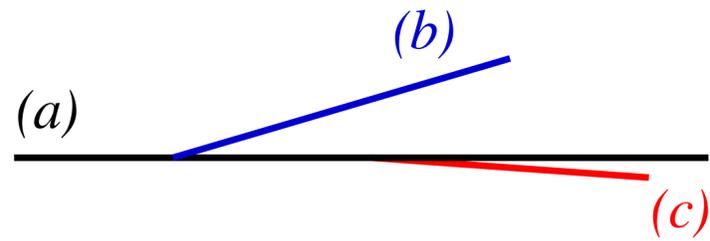
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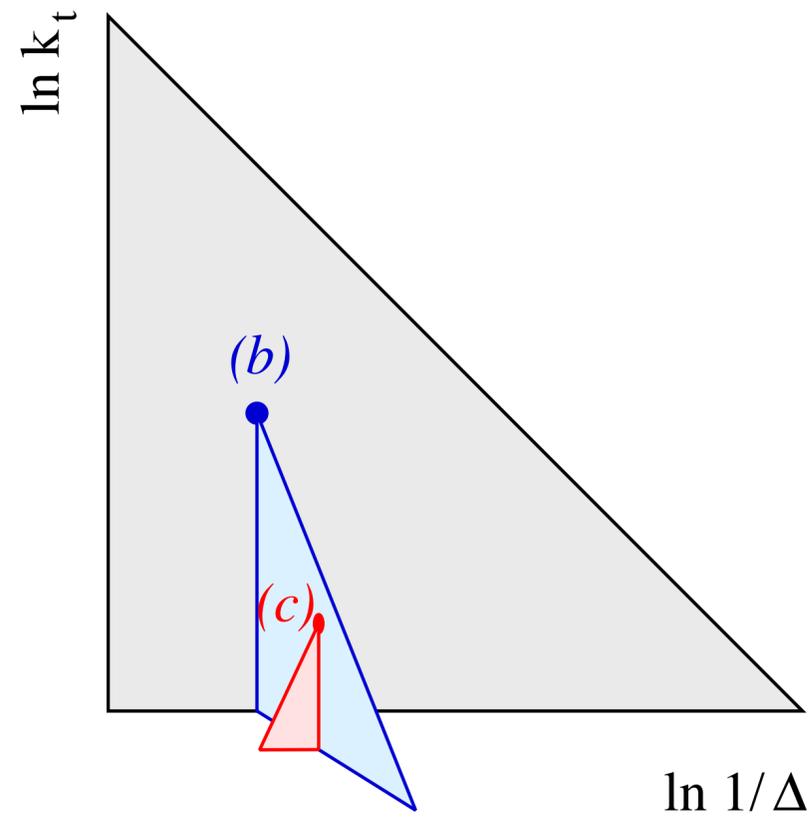
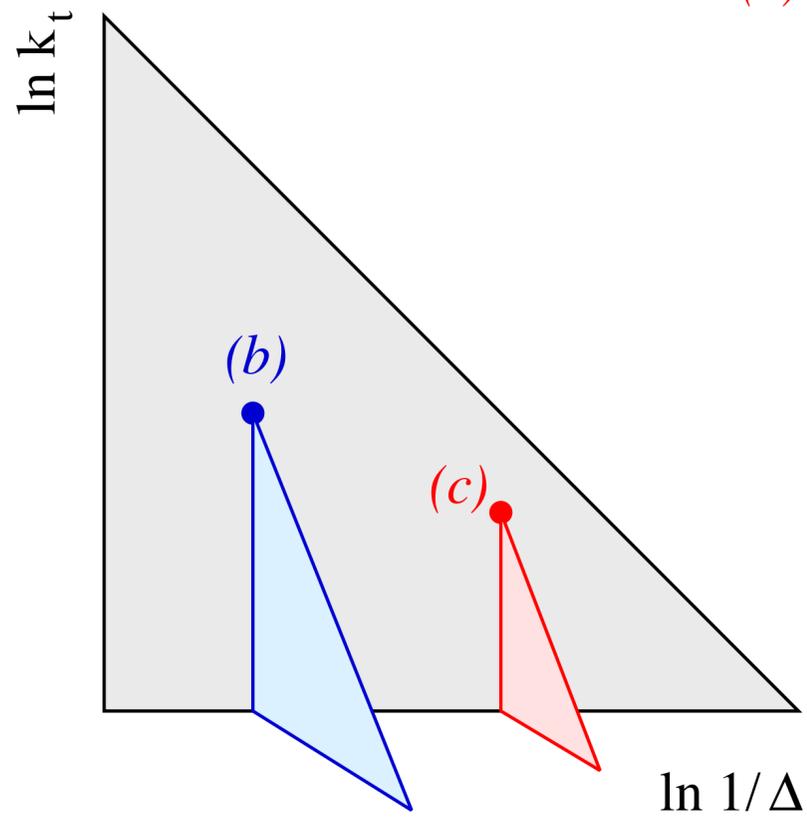
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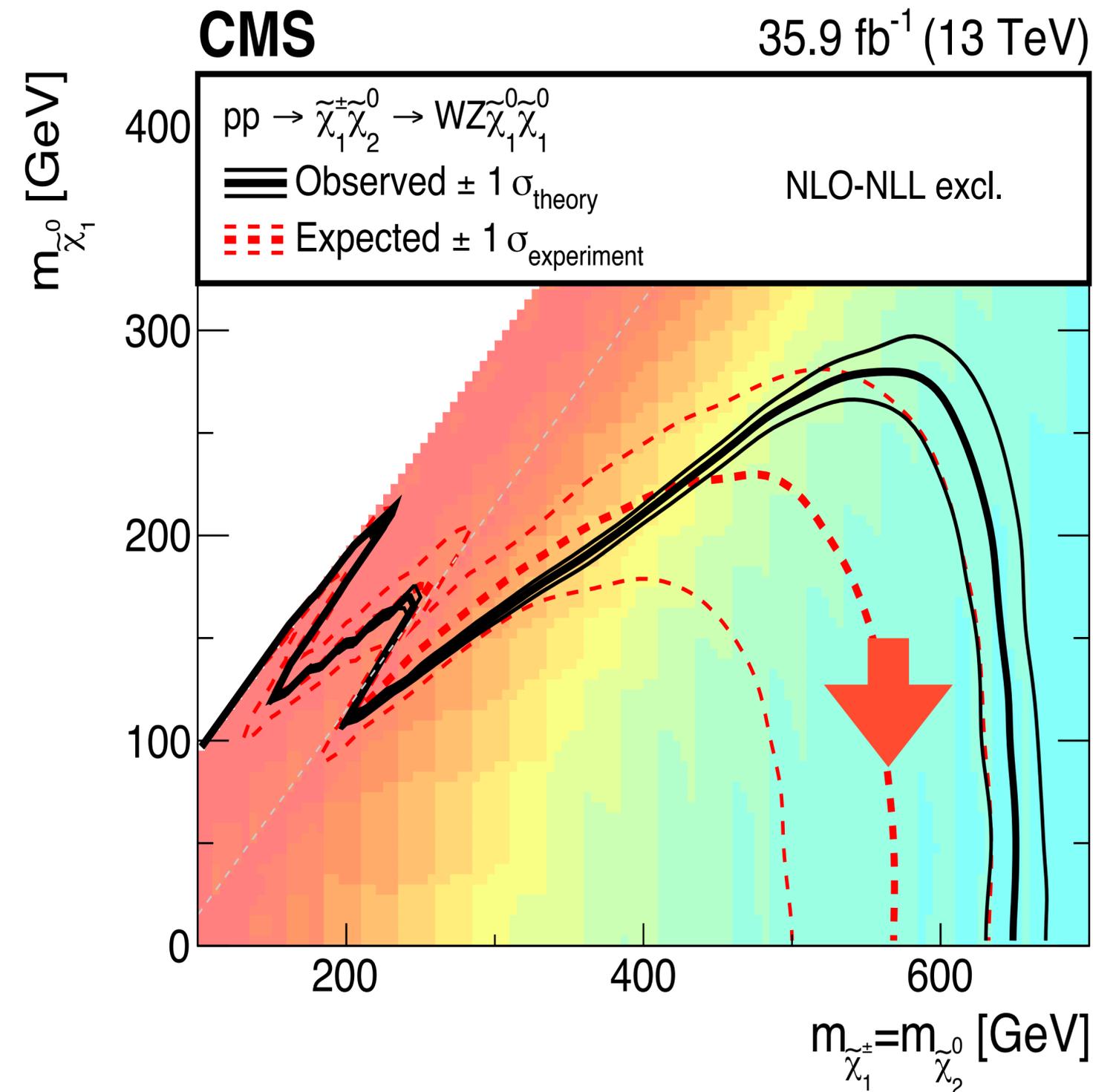
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LUND DIAGRAM



The path forward: collect 20–30x more collisions by ~2035



- Suppose we had a choice between
 - HL-LHC (14 TeV, 3ab⁻¹)
 - or going to higher c.o.m. energy but limited to 80fb⁻¹.
- How much energy would we need to equal the HL-LHC?

today's reach (13 TeV, 80fb ⁻¹)	HL-LHC reach (14 TeV 3ab ⁻¹)	energy needed for same reach with 80fb ⁻¹
4.7 TeV SSM Z'	6.7 TeV	20 TeV
2 TeV weakly coupled Z'	3.7 TeV	37 TeV
680 GeV chargino	1.4 TeV	54 TeV

Hard processes: to 3rd order (NNLO) in perturbation theory strong coupling constant (α_s)

