A visualization of a particle collision event, likely from the Large Hadron Collider. It shows a central point from which numerous lines radiate outwards, representing particle tracks. The lines are colored in red, green, and yellow, and are densely packed in the center, becoming sparser as they move away. The background is white with a thin horizontal line passing through the center of the event.

# QCD and Event Generation for the Large Hadron Collider

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# Higgs Decays

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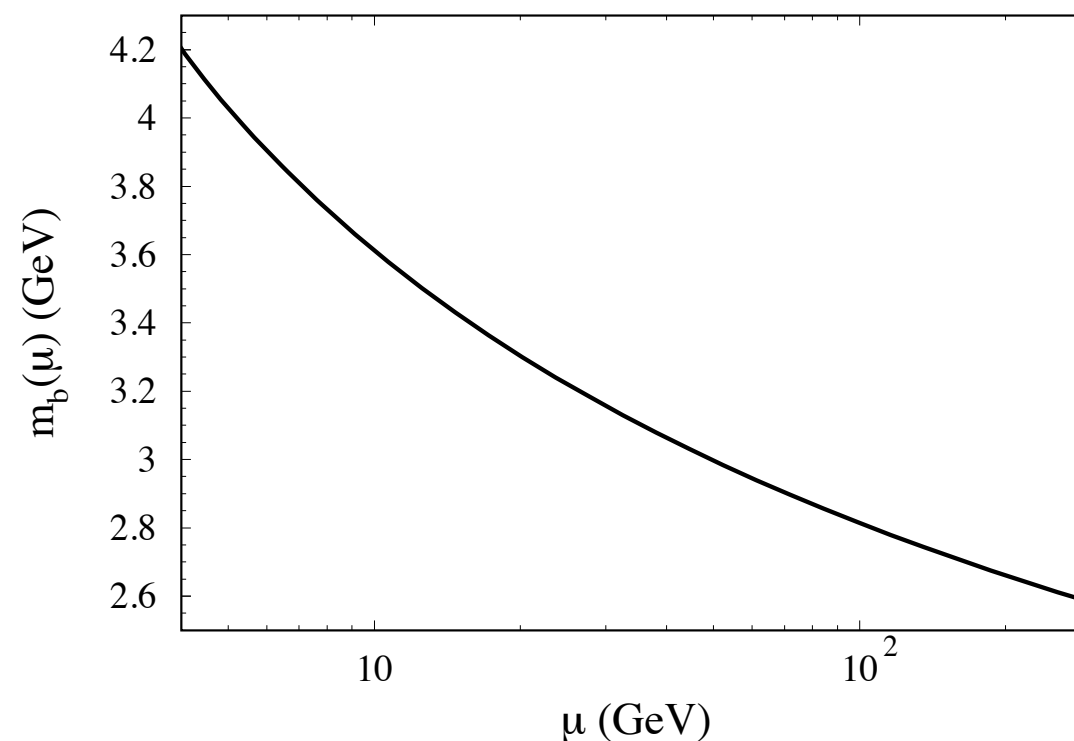
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$$\mu^2 \frac{dm_q}{d\mu^2} = \gamma(\alpha_s)m_q = -\alpha_s(\gamma_0 + \gamma_1\alpha_s + \dots)m_q \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{dm_q}{m_q} = \frac{d\alpha_s}{\alpha_s} \frac{\gamma(\alpha_s)}{\beta(\alpha_s)}$$

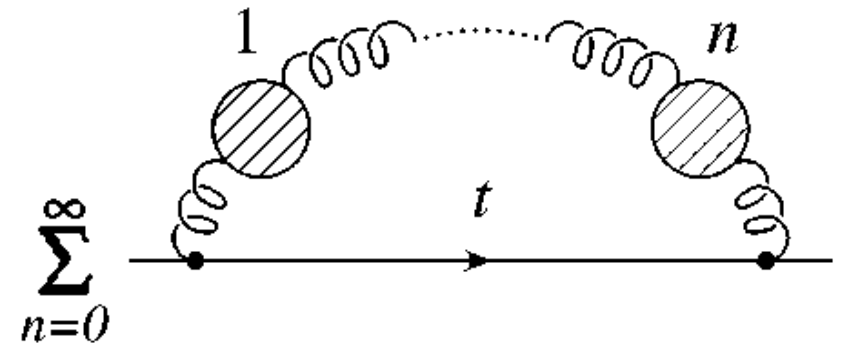


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# Pole quark mass

$$D(\not{p}) = \frac{i}{\not{p} - m_q - \Sigma(\not{p})}$$

$$\not{p}_{\text{pole}} = m_q + \Sigma(\not{p}) = m_q + \Sigma^{(1)}(m_q) + \dots$$



$$c_n \sim 2^n n! \sim (2n/e)^n$$

$$\Sigma^{(1)}(m_q) = \frac{16m_q}{3\beta_0} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n a^{n+1}$$

$$a = \frac{\beta_0 \alpha_s(m_q)}{4\pi} \sim \frac{1}{\log(m_q^2/\Lambda^2)} \equiv \frac{1}{L}$$

Asymptotic expansion: sum to smallest term ( $n \sim L/2$ )

Ambiguity  $\sim$  smallest term ( $c_n a^{n+1} \sim e^{-L/2} \sim \Lambda/m_q$ )

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Renormalon ambiguity  
(There is no pole!)



# Higgs $\rightarrow$ $q\bar{q}$

$$\Gamma(H \rightarrow q\bar{q}) = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{8\pi} G_F M_H m_q^2(M_H) \left[ 1 - \frac{4m_q^2(M_H)}{M_H^2} \right]^{\frac{3}{2}} [1 + 1.803 \alpha_s(M_H) + 2.953 \alpha_s^2(M_H) + \dots]$$

(known to 4th order)

- Running of masses is enormously important!

$$m_b^2(M_H)/m_b^2(m_b) = (2.77/4.16)^2 = 0.442$$
$$m_c^2(M_H)/m_c^2(m_c) = (0.612/1.27)^2 = 0.233$$

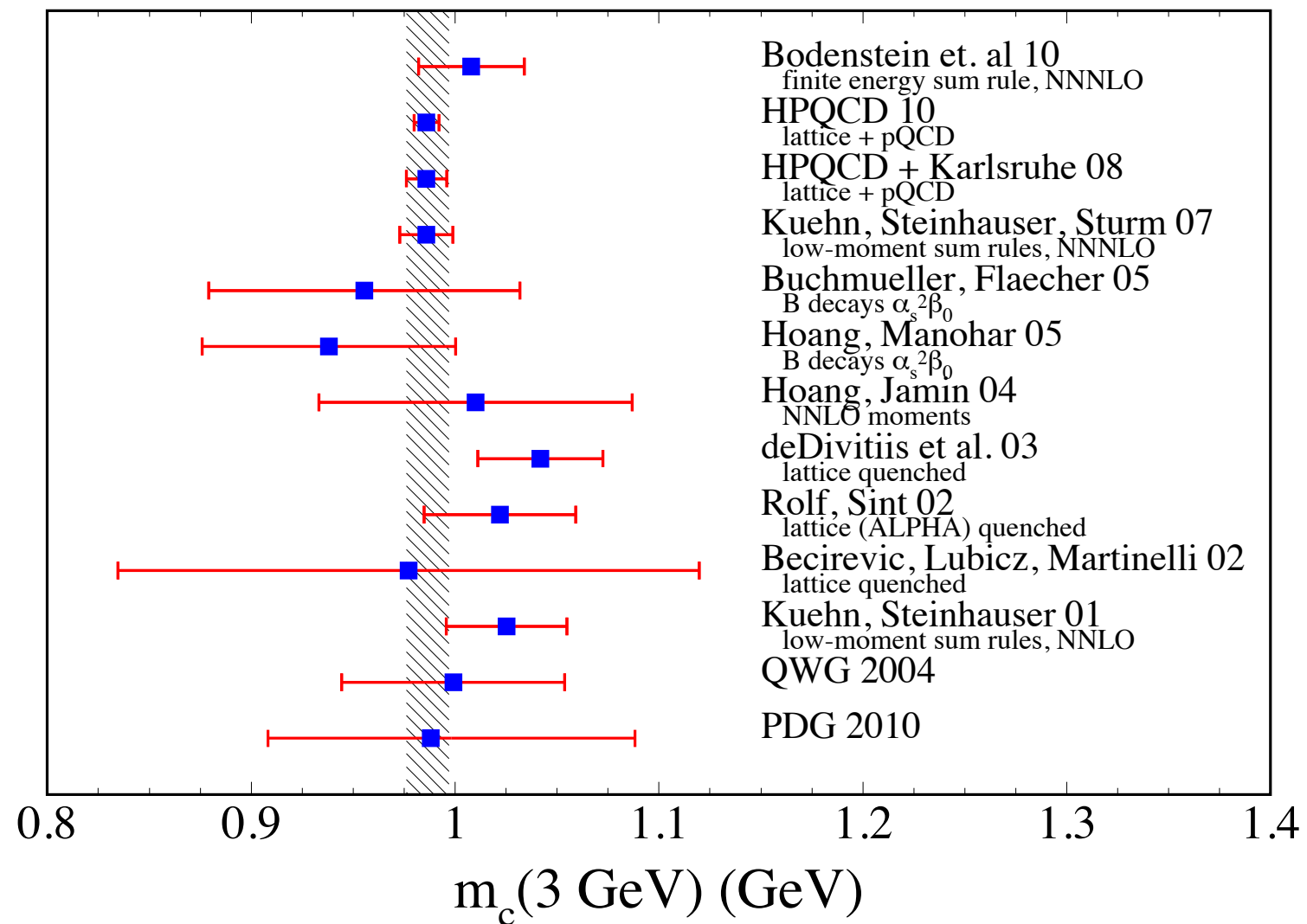
- $\Gamma_b$  affects all branching ratios!

$$\text{BR}(X) = \frac{\Gamma_X}{\Gamma_{\text{tot}}} \rightarrow \frac{\delta \text{BR}(X)}{\text{BR}(X)} = \frac{\delta \Gamma_b}{\Gamma_{\text{tot}}} = 0.56 \frac{\delta \Gamma_b}{\Gamma_b}$$



# Charm quark mass

Kühn, 2013



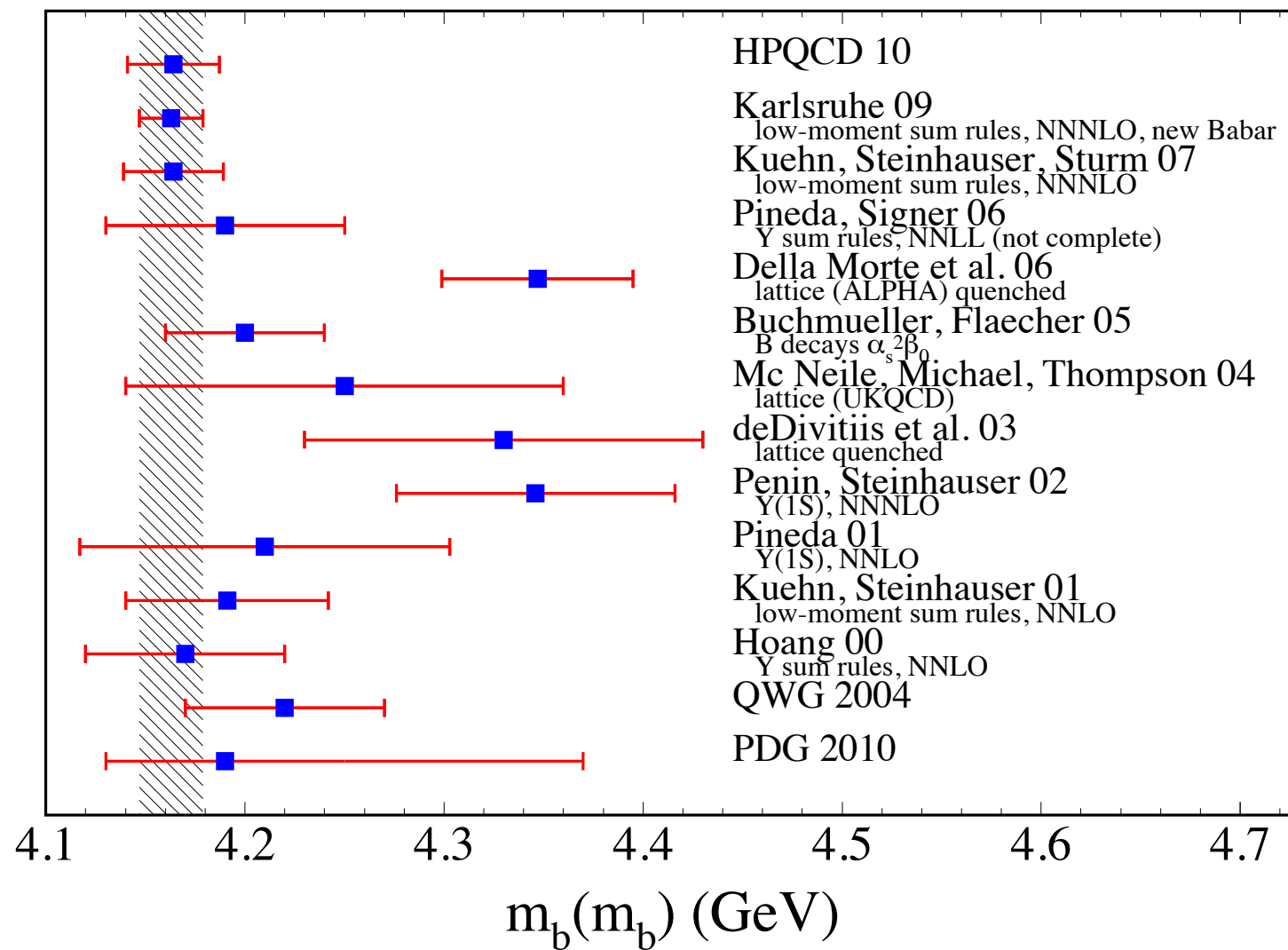
$$m_c(3 \text{ GeV}) = 0.986(6) \text{ GeV}$$

$$\rightarrow m_c(m_c) = 1.268(9) \text{ GeV}$$

$$\rightarrow m_c(M_H) = 0.612(5) \text{ GeV}$$

# Bottom quark mass

Kühn, 2013



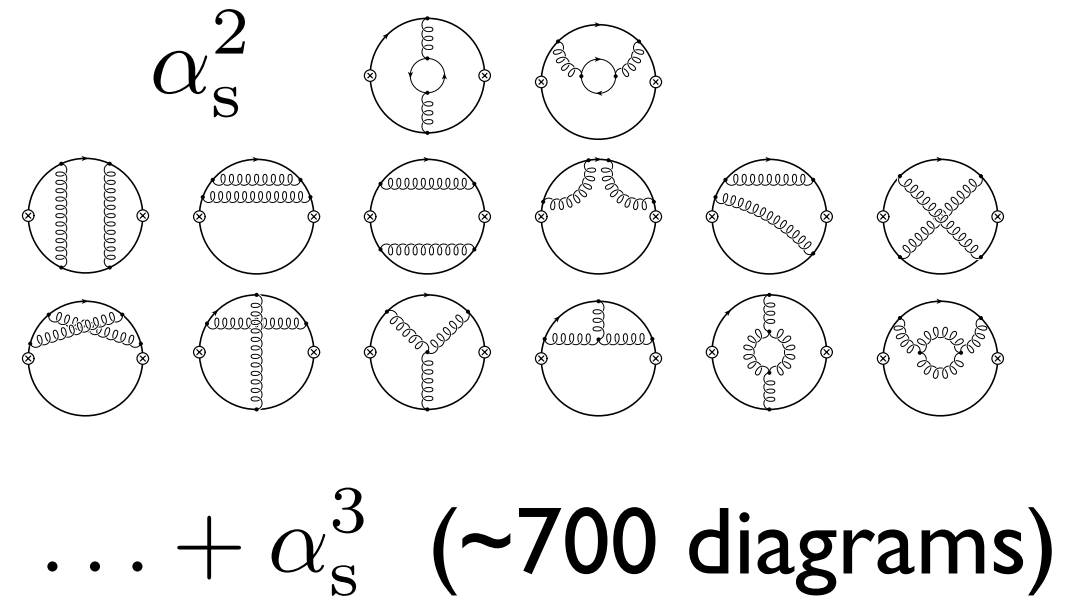
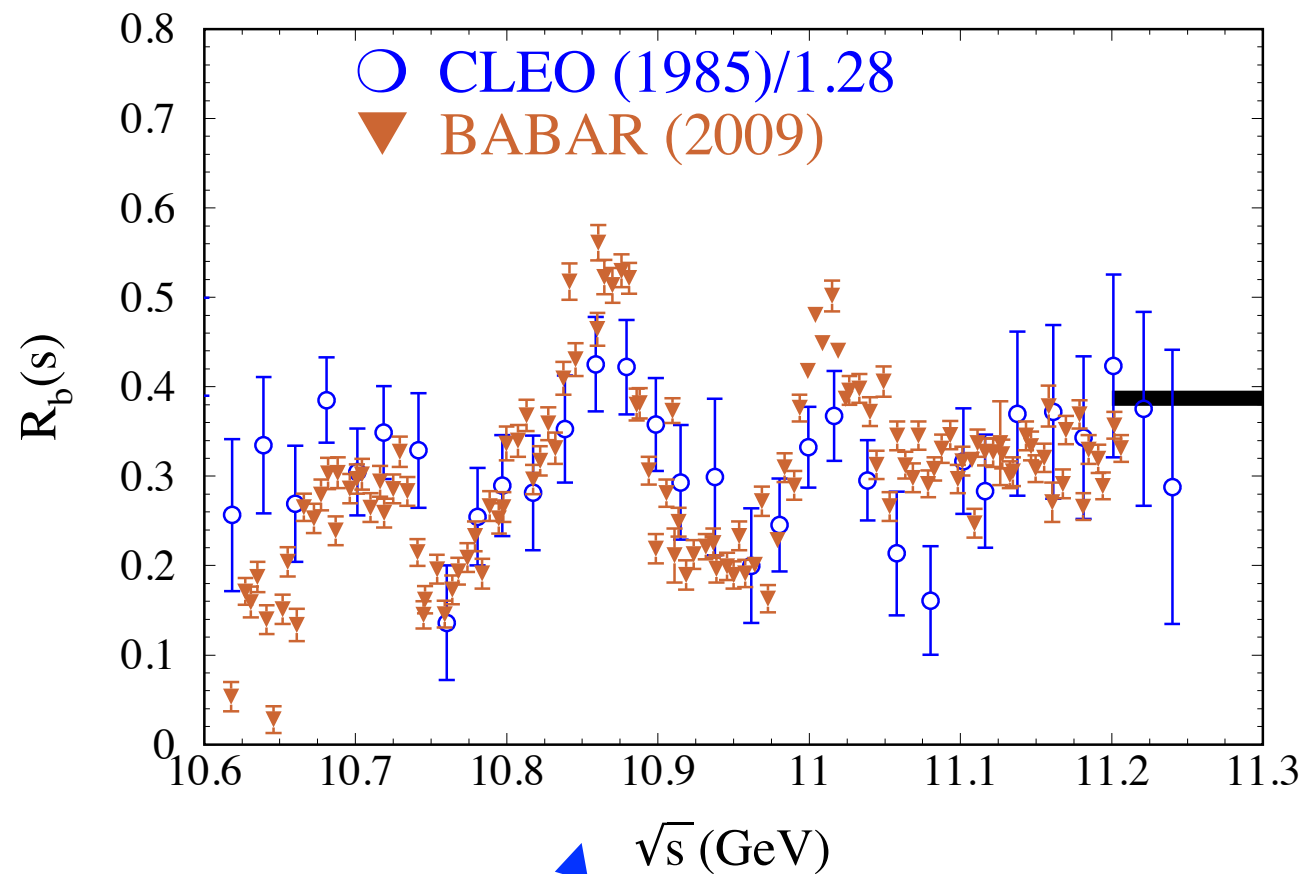
$$m_b(10 \text{ GeV}) = 3.617(25) \text{ GeV}$$

$$\rightarrow m_b(m_b) = 4.164(30) \text{ GeV}$$

$$\rightarrow m_b(M_H) = 2.768(21) \text{ GeV}$$

# $m_b$ from QCD sum rules

Chetyrkin et al., PRD80(2009)074010



$$\mathcal{M}_n = \int \frac{ds}{s^{n+1}} R_b(s) = \frac{9}{4} e_b^2 \left( \frac{1}{4m_b^2(\mu)} \right)^n C_n(\alpha_s, \mu) \rightarrow m_b(\mu) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{9e_b^2 C_n(\alpha_s, \mu)}{4\mathcal{M}_n} \right)^{\frac{1}{2n}}$$

$n$	$m_b(10 \text{ GeV})$	exp	$\alpha_s$	$\mu$	total	$m_b(m_b)$
1	3597	14	7	2	16	4151
2	3610	10	12	3	16	4163
3	3619	8	14	6	18	4172
4	3631	6	15	20	26	4183

$$m_b(10 \text{ GeV}) = 3.610(16) \text{ GeV}$$

# Top quark mass

“Direct” ( $\approx$  pole mass?) measurements:

RPP 2013

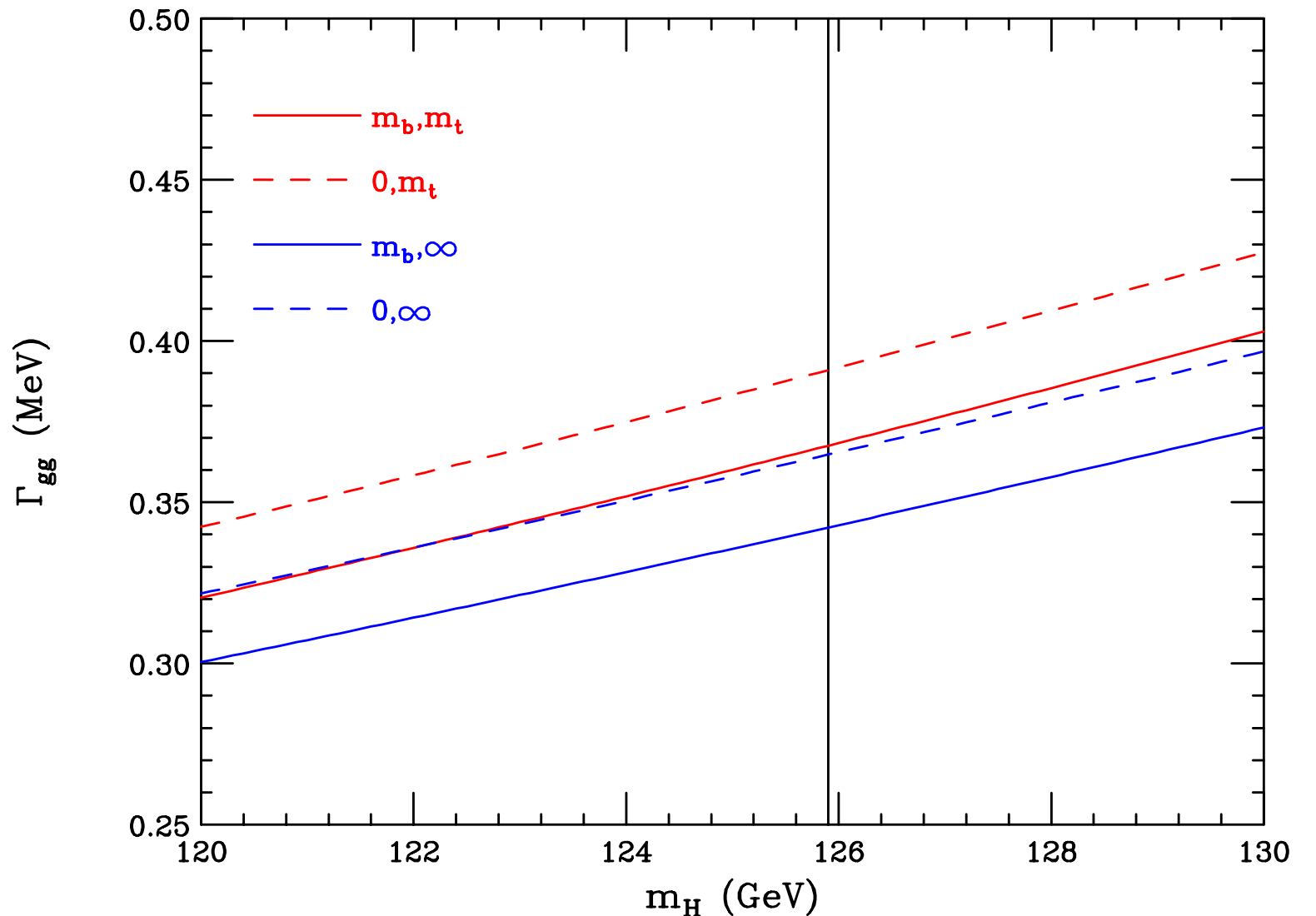
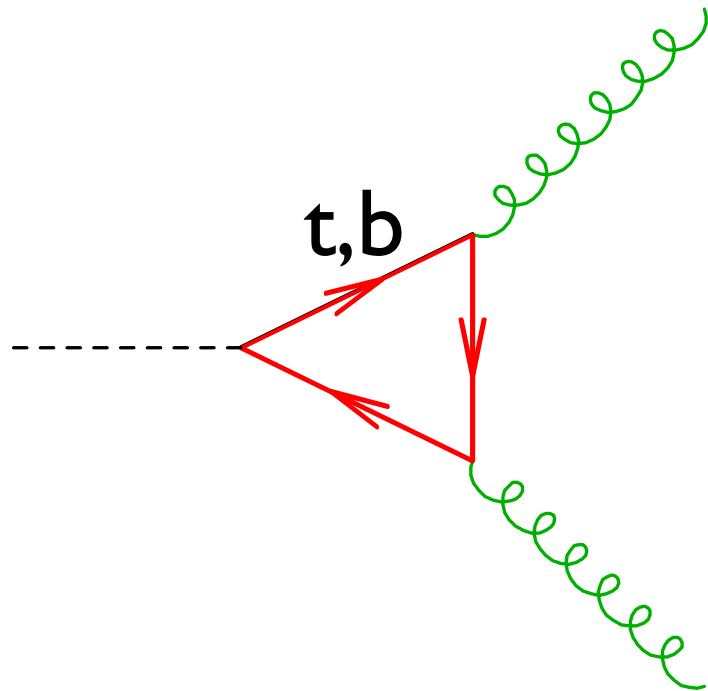
$m_t$ (GeV/ $c^2$ )	Source	$\int \mathcal{L} dt$	Ref.	Channel
$174.94 \pm 1.14 \pm 0.96$	DØ Run II	3.6	[102]	$\ell$ +jets
$172.85 \pm 0.71 \pm 0.85$	CDF Run II	8.7	[101]	$\ell$ +jets
$173.93 \pm 1.64 \pm 0.87$	CDF Run II	8.7	[116]	Missing $E_T$ +jets
$172.5 \pm 1.4 \pm 1.5$	CDF Run II	5.8	[122]	All jets
$172.31 \pm 0.75 \pm 1.35$	ATLAS	4.7	[99]	$\ell$ +jets
$173.09 \pm 0.64 \pm 1.50$	ATLAS	4.7	[108]	$\ell\ell$
$174.9 \pm 2.1 \pm 3.8$	ATLAS	2.04	[115]	All jets
$173.49 \pm 0.43 \pm 0.98$	CMS	5.0	[100]	$\ell$ +jets
$172.5 \pm 0.4 \pm 1.5$	CMS	5.0	[109]	$\ell\ell$
$173.49 \pm 0.69 \pm 1.21$	CMS	3.54	[114]	All jets
$173.20 \pm 0.51 \pm 0.71^*$	CDF, DØ (I+II) $\leq 8.7$		[3]	publ. or prelim. res.
$173.29 \pm 0.23 \pm 0.92^*$	ATLAS, CMS $\leq 4.9$		[121]	publ. or prelim. res.

$$m_t(\text{pole}) = 173.07 \pm 0.52(\text{stat}) \pm 0.72(\text{sys}) \text{ GeV}$$

$$\rightarrow m_t(m_t) = 163.4 \pm 0.9 \text{ GeV}$$

$$m_t(m_t) = 160^{+5}_{-4} \text{ GeV from cross section}$$

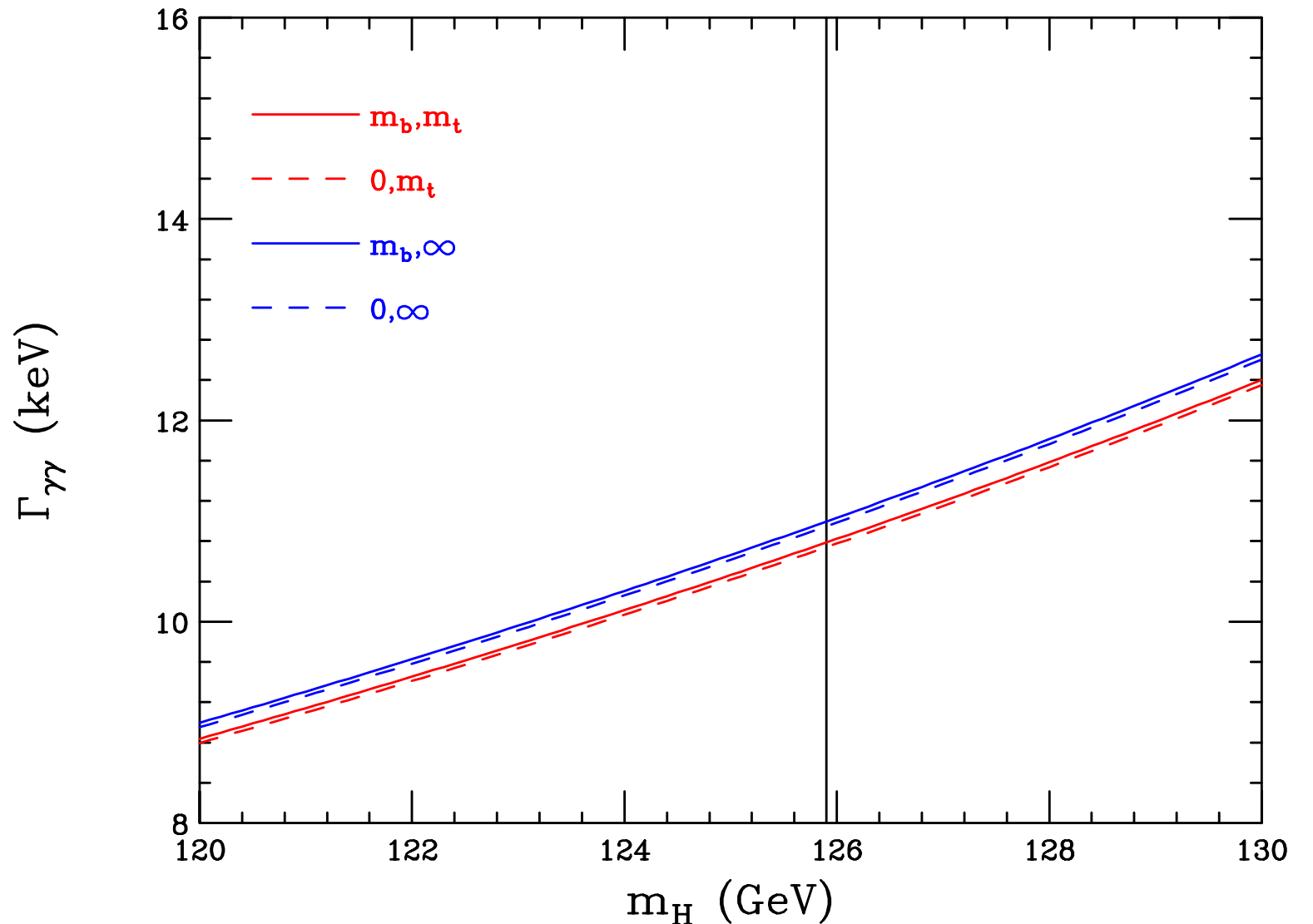
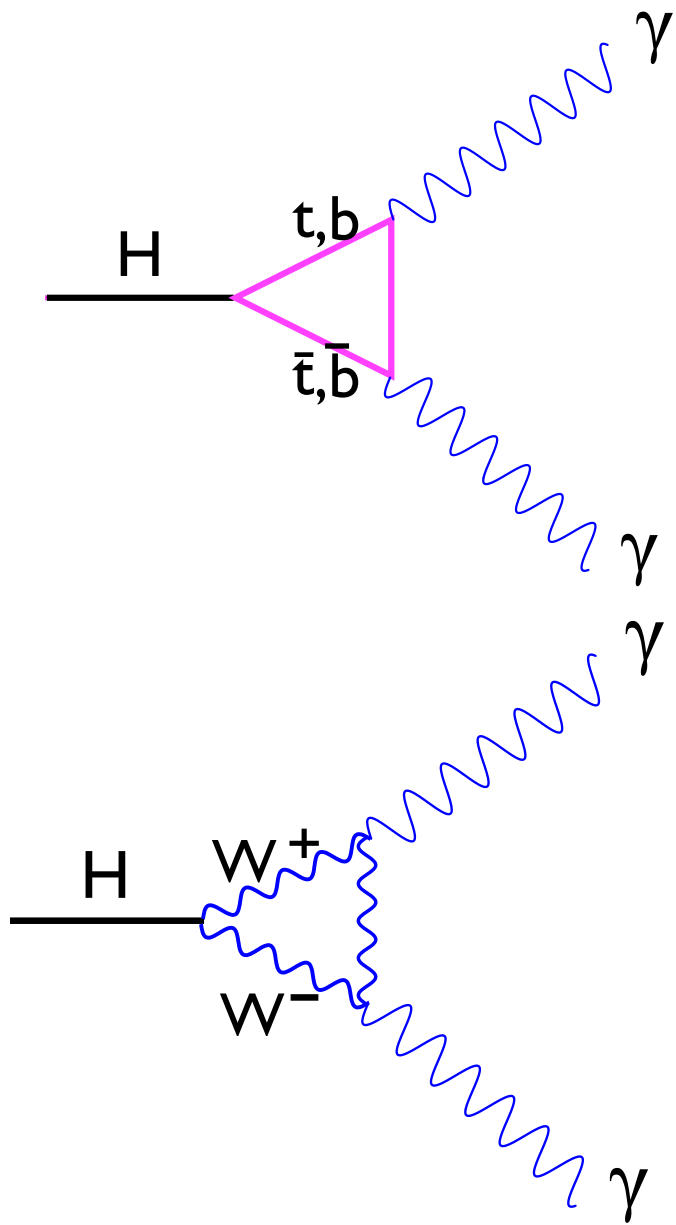
# Higgs $\rightarrow$ gg



$$\Gamma_{gg} = \frac{\alpha_s^2 G_F M_H^3}{64\sqrt{2}\pi^3} \left| \sum_q I_q \left( \frac{m_q^2(M_H)}{M_H^2} \right) \right|^2 (1 + 6.14\alpha_s + 17.5\alpha_s^2 + 15.1\alpha_s^3 + \dots)$$

- **b contributes  $\sim -6\%$ , which almost cancels top mass effect**

# Higgs $\rightarrow \gamma\gamma$



$$\Gamma_{\gamma\gamma} = \frac{\alpha^2 G_F M_H^3}{128 \sqrt{2} \pi^3} \left| 3 \sum_q e_q^2 I_q \left( \frac{m_q^2(M_H)}{M_H^2} \right) + I_W \left( \frac{M_W^2}{M_H^2} \right) \right|^2$$

- W loop dominates
- b contributes less, so top mass effect is significant (~-2%)

# Higgs decay uncertainties: current

Almeida, Lee, Pokorski, Wells, 1311.6721v3

	Parametric uncertainties %		Scale dependence
	added linearly	in quadrature	
	$P_{\Gamma}^{\pm}$ (par.add.)	$P_{\Gamma}^{\pm}$ (par.quad.)	$(P_{\Gamma}^{+}, P_{\Gamma}^{-})(\mu)$
total	2.82 (1.79)	1.71 (1.07)	(0.08,0.10)
$gg$	2.52 (1.83)	1.74 (1.49)	(0.05,0.03)
$\gamma\gamma$	1.45 (0.42)	1.38 (0.35)	(1.31,0.60)
$b\bar{b}$	2.62 (2.43)	1.84 (1.82)	(0.29,0.01)
$c\bar{c}$	7.34 (7.15)	5.55 (5.54)	(0.45,0.35)
$\tau^{+}\tau^{-}$	0.36 (0.12)	0.32 (0.08)	(0.01,0.01)
$WW^{*}$	4.41 (1.17)	4.97 (1.25)	(0.25,0.31)
$ZZ^{*}$	4.90 (1.25)	4.42 (1.11)	(0.,0.)
$Z\gamma$	3.56 (0.92)	3.52 (0.88)	(0.56,0.23)
$\mu^{+}\mu^{-}$	0.34 (0.11)	0.32 (0.08)	(0.03,0.03)

~ THU ??

$\delta M_H/\text{MeV} = 400(100) [\text{ILC} \Rightarrow 30]$



# Higgs mass

- ATLAS & CMS get masses differing by  $\sim 1$  GeV from different channels and from each other:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ATLAS } \gamma\gamma: & 125.98 \pm 0.42(\text{stat}) \pm 0.28(\text{sys}) \\ \text{ATLAS } ZZ^*: & 124.51 \pm 0.37(\text{stat}) \pm 0.06(\text{sys}) \\ \text{CMS } \gamma\gamma: & 124.70 \pm 0.31(\text{stat}) \pm 0.15(\text{sys}) \\ \text{CMS } ZZ^*: & 125.60 \pm 0.40(\text{stat}) \pm 0.20(\text{sys}) \end{aligned}$$

- But their final numbers are more consistent:

$$\text{ATLAS: } 125.36 \pm 0.37(\text{stat}) \pm 0.18(\text{sys})$$

$$\text{CMS: } 125.03^{+0.26}_{-0.27}(\text{stat})^{+0.13}_{-0.15}(\text{sys})$$

- We need results from Run II !

# Higgs decay uncertainties: prospects

Lepage, Mackenzie, Peskin, 1404.0319

	Parametric uncertainties %			$\delta_j = \delta\Gamma_j/2\Gamma_j$ %		
	$\delta m_b(10)$	$\delta\alpha_s(m_Z)$	$\delta m_c(3)$	$\delta_b$	$\delta_c$	$\delta_g$
current errors [10]	0.70	0.63	0.61	0.77	0.89	0.78
+ PT	0.69	0.40	0.34	0.74	0.57	0.49
+ LS	0.30	0.53	0.53	0.38	0.74	0.65
+ LS <sup>2</sup>	0.14	0.35	0.53	0.20	0.65	0.43
+ PT + LS	0.28	0.17	0.21	0.30	0.27	0.21
+ PT + LS <sup>2</sup>	0.12	0.14	0.20	0.13	0.24	0.17
+ PT + LS <sup>2</sup> + ST	0.09	0.08	0.20	0.10	0.22	0.09
ILC goal				0.30	0.70	0.60

PT =  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^4)$  [current =  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3)$ ]

LS = 0.030 fm [current = 0.045 fm]

LS<sup>2</sup> = 0.023 fm [computing  $\times 100$ ]

ST = statistics  $\times 100$

# Conclusions on Higgs Decays

- Higgs partial widths currently predicted to 2%-5%
- Higgs mass uncertainty important for  $VV^*$  modes (at LHC, not ILC)
- Predictions to 1%-2% look feasible, with big investments in perturbative and lattice QCD
- Is this good enough??

# Monte Carlo Event Generation

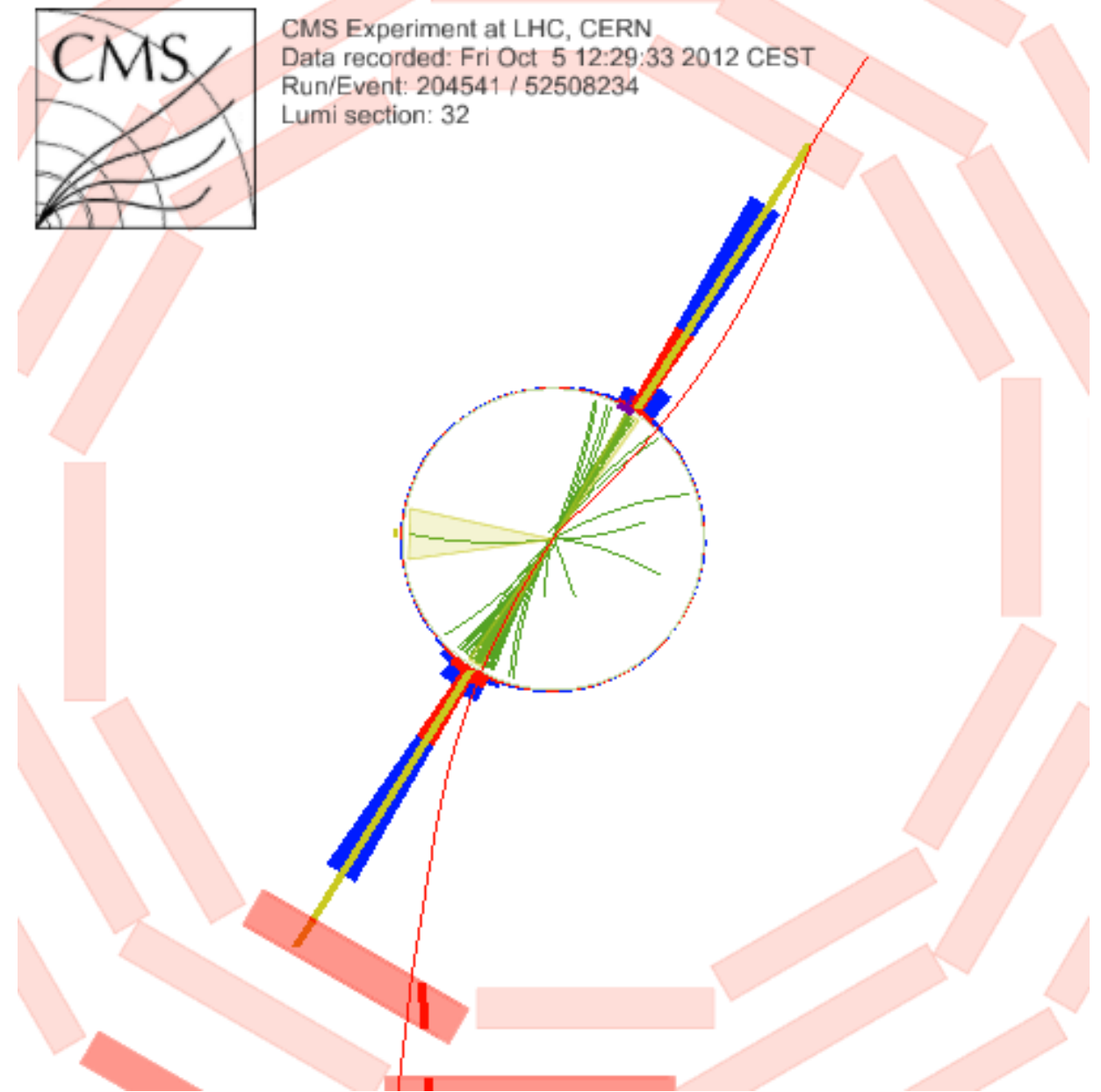
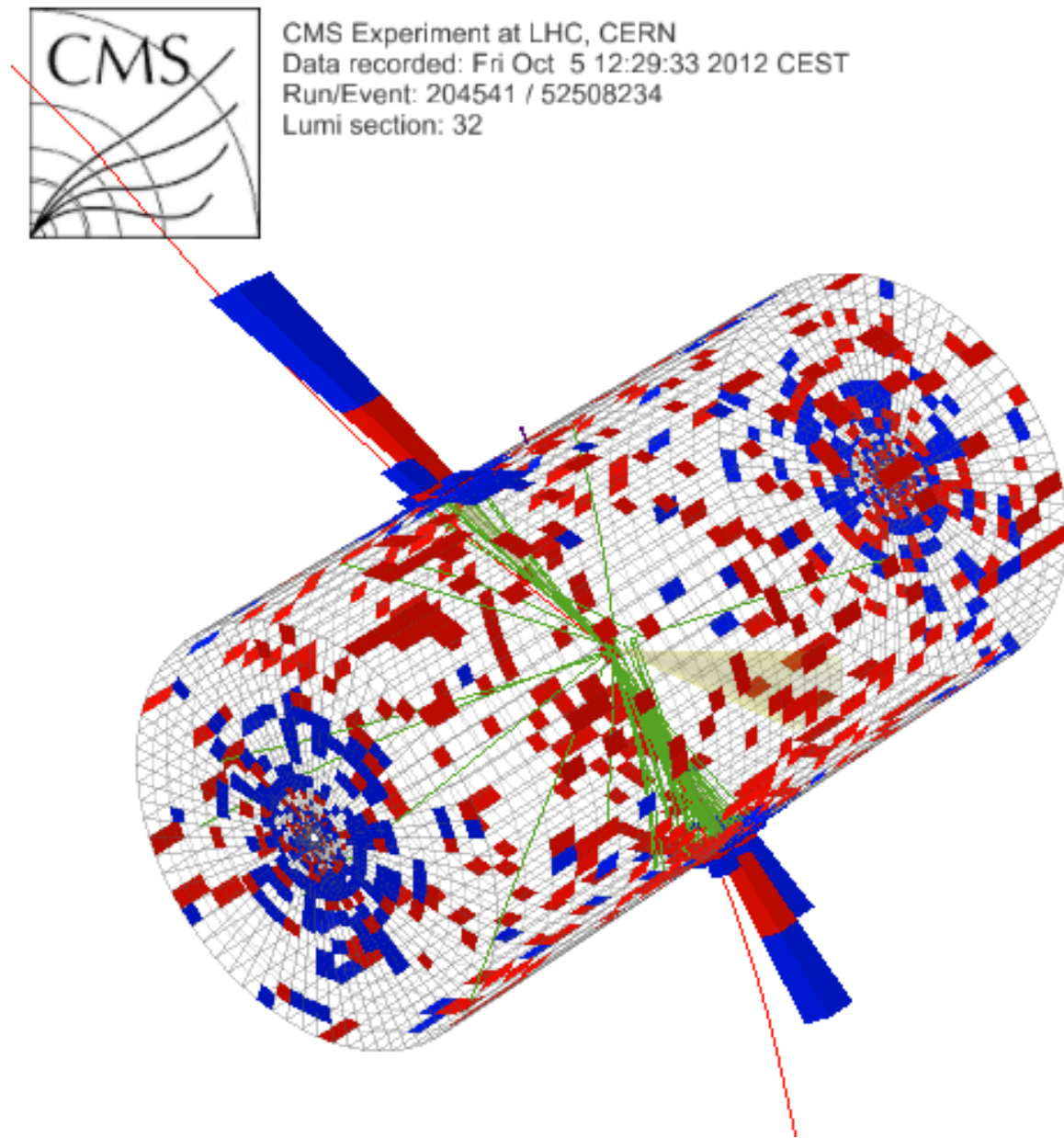
# Monte Carlo Event Generation

- Monte Carlo event generation:
  - ✦ theoretical status and limitations
- Recent improvements:
  - ✦ perturbative and non-perturbative
- Overview of results:
  - ✦ W, Z, top, Higgs, BSM (+jets)

# Monte Carlo Event Generation

- Aim is to produce simulated (particle-level) datasets like those from real collider events
  - ✦ i.e. lists of particle identities, momenta, ...
  - ✦ simulate quantum effects by (pseudo)random numbers
- Essential for:
  - ✦ Designing new experiments and data analyses
  - ✦ Correcting for detector and selection effects
  - ✦ Testing the SM and measuring its parameters
  - ✦ Estimating new signals and their backgrounds

# A high-mass dijet event

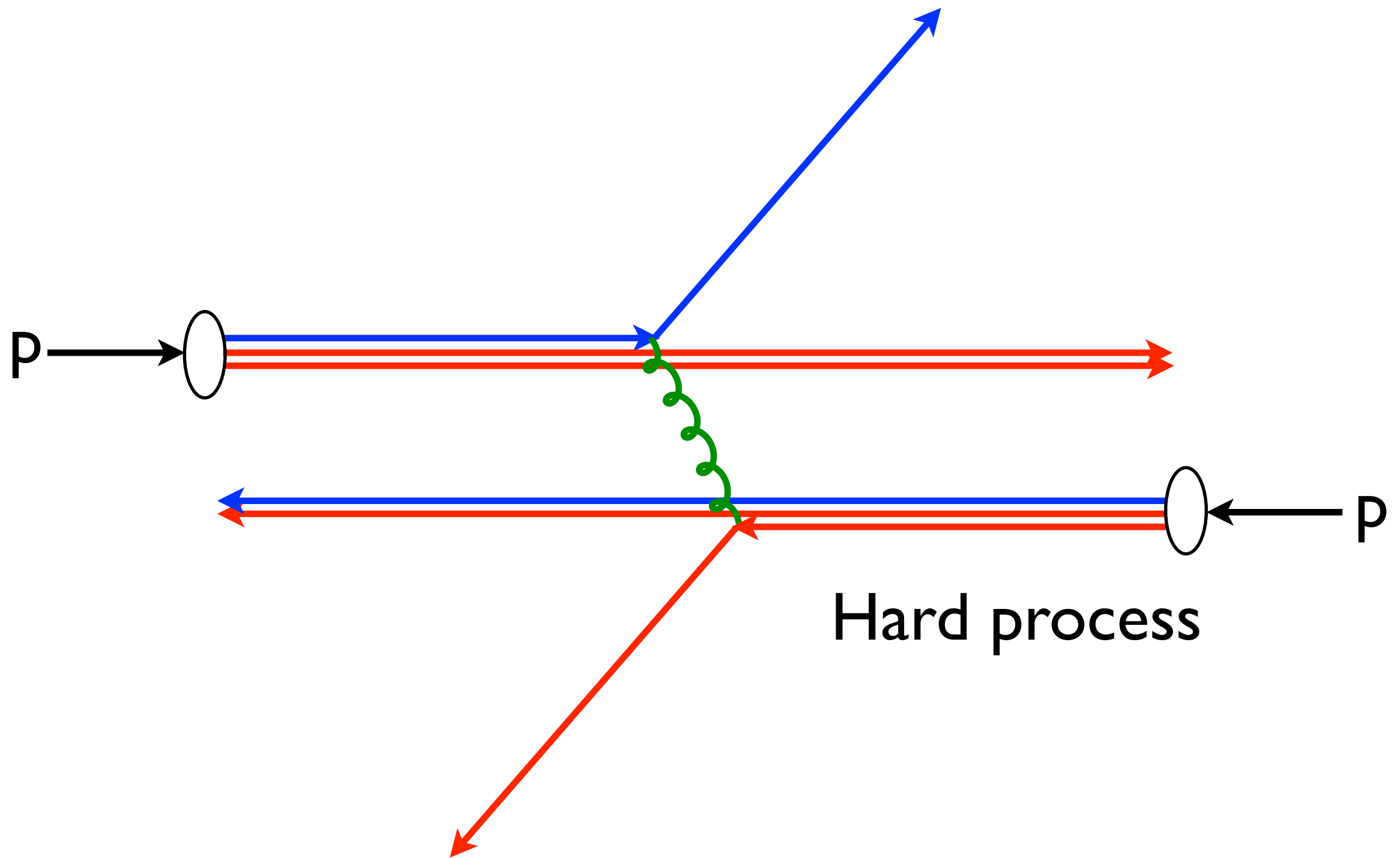


- $M_{jj} = 5.15 \text{ TeV}$

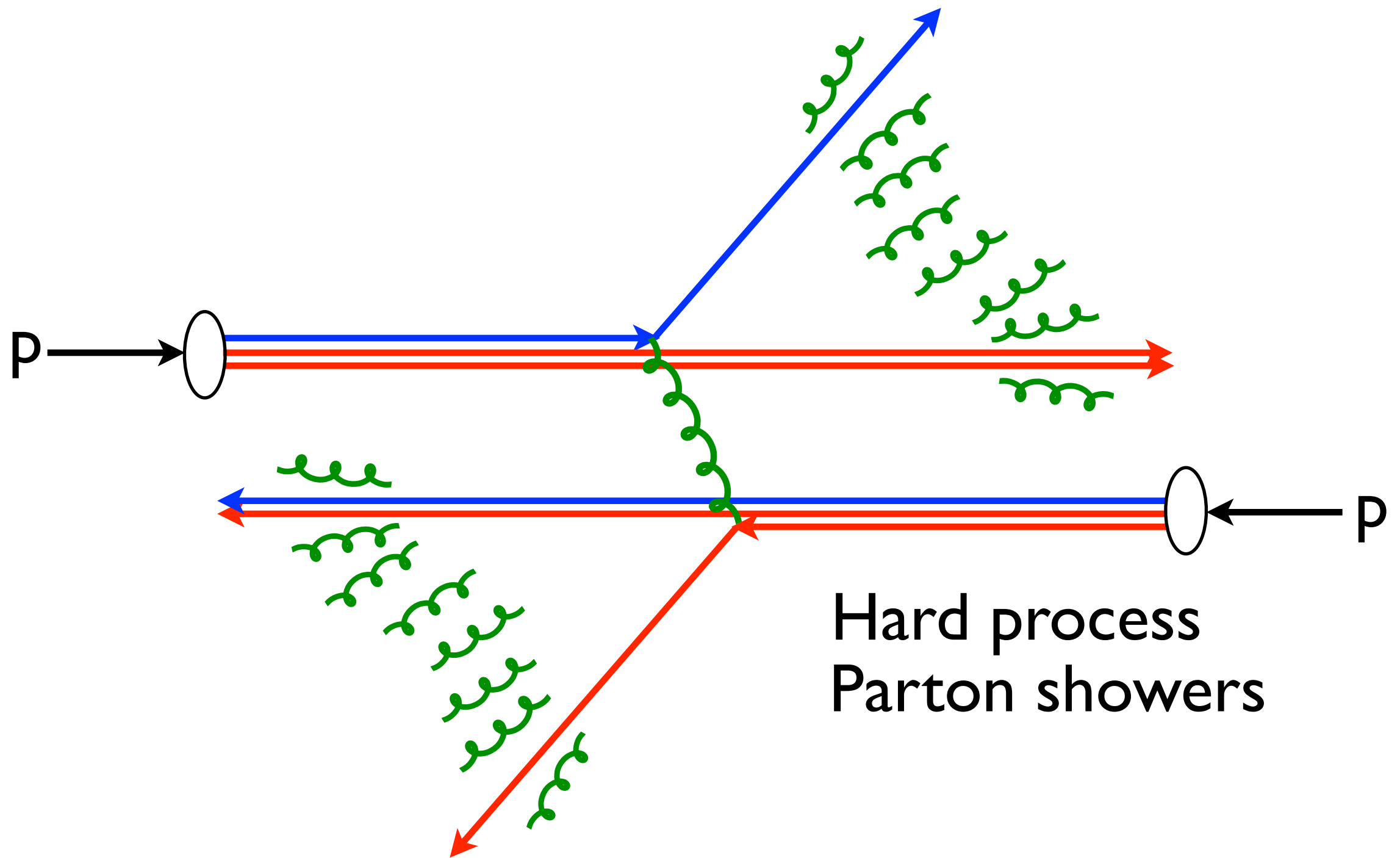
CMS PAS EXO-12-059



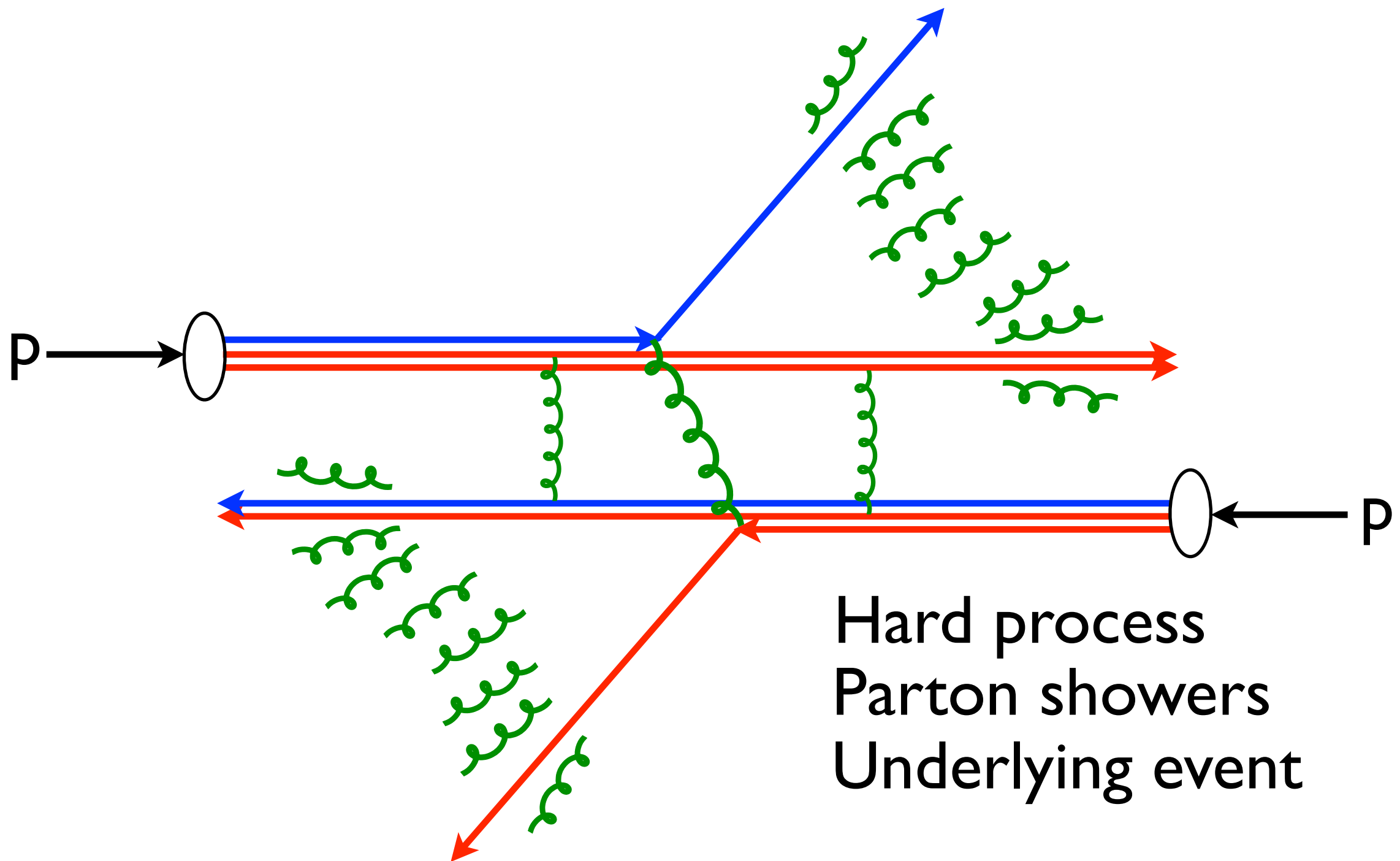
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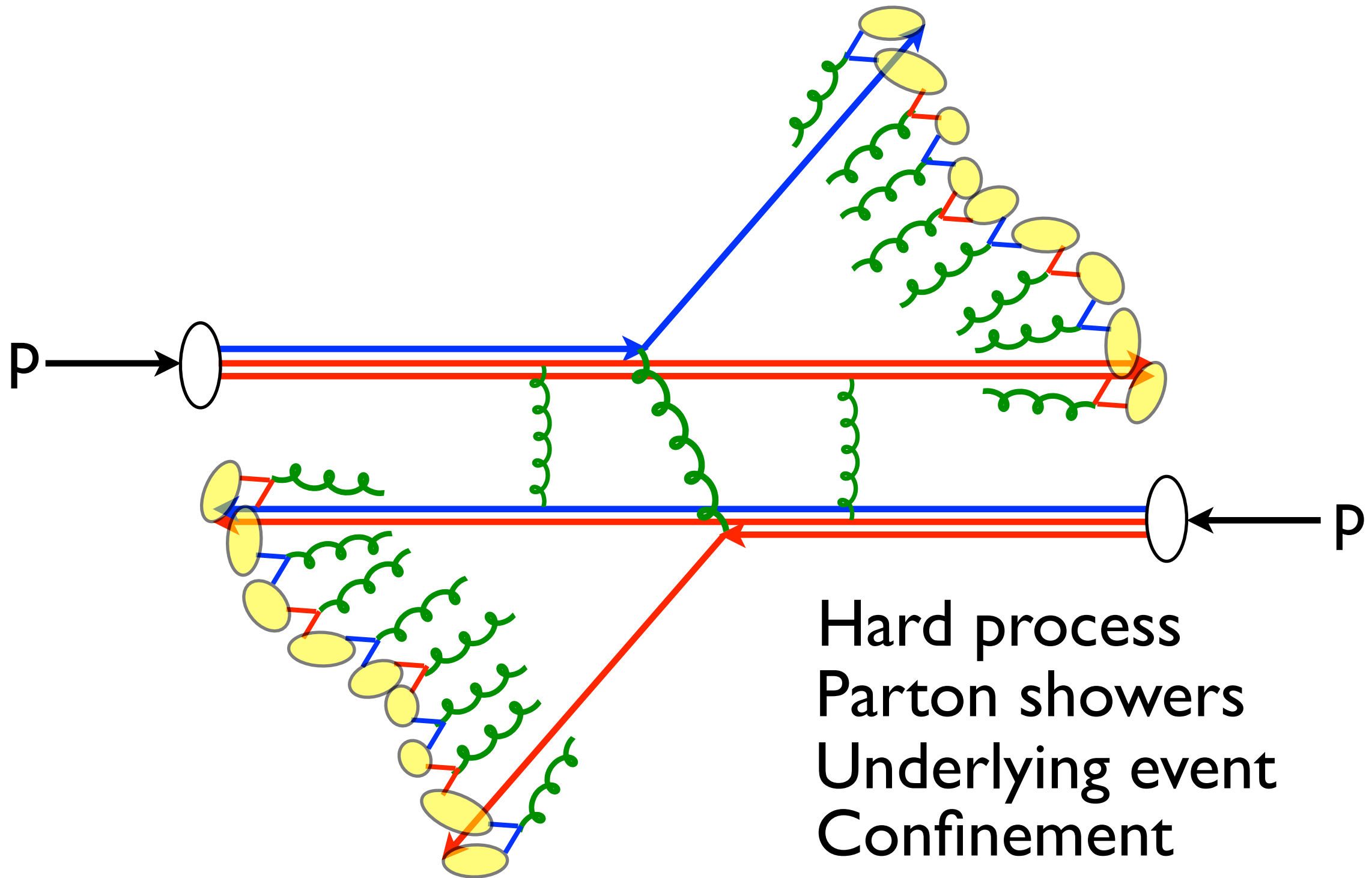
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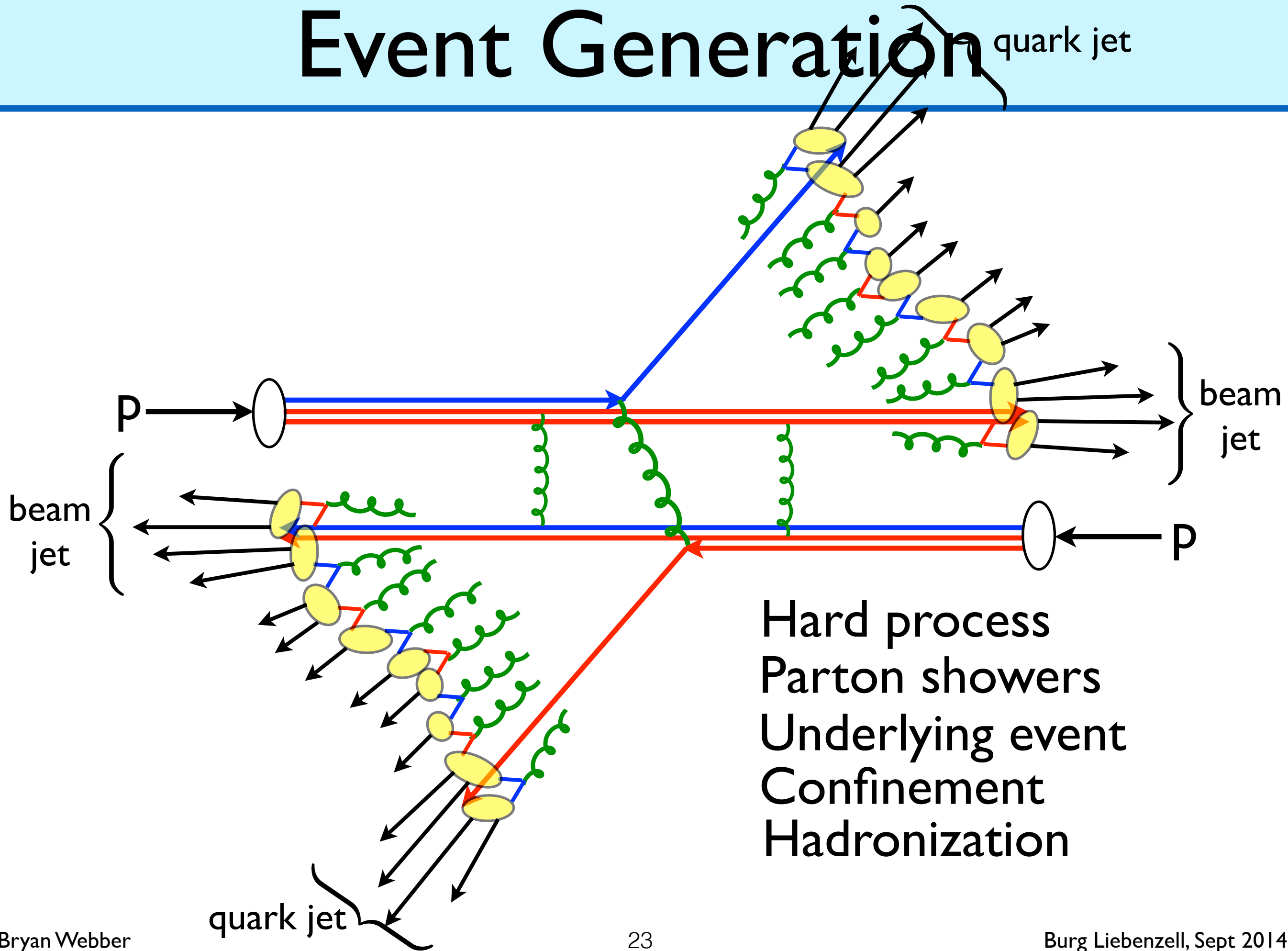
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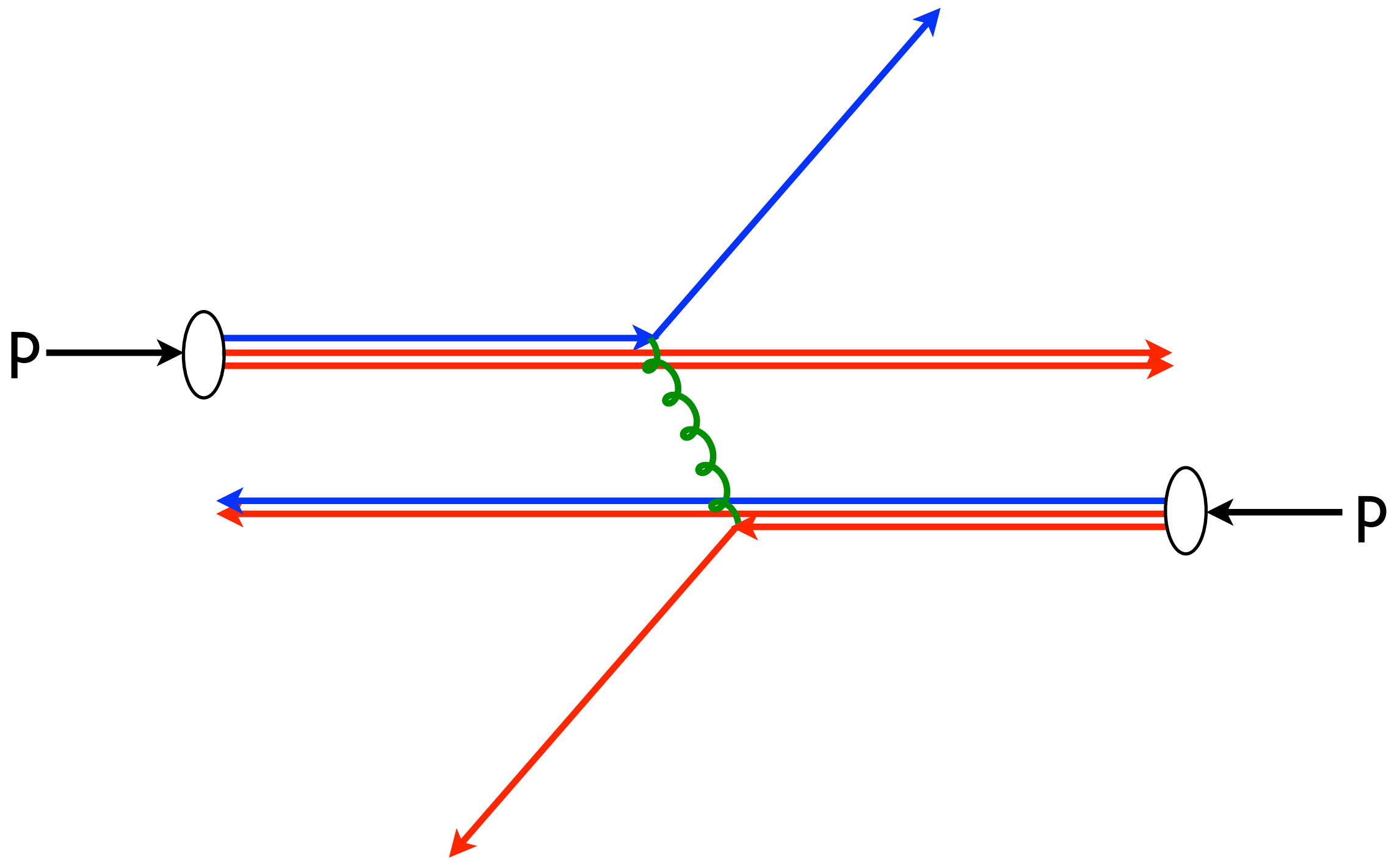


Hard process  
Parton showers  
Underlying event  
Confinement  
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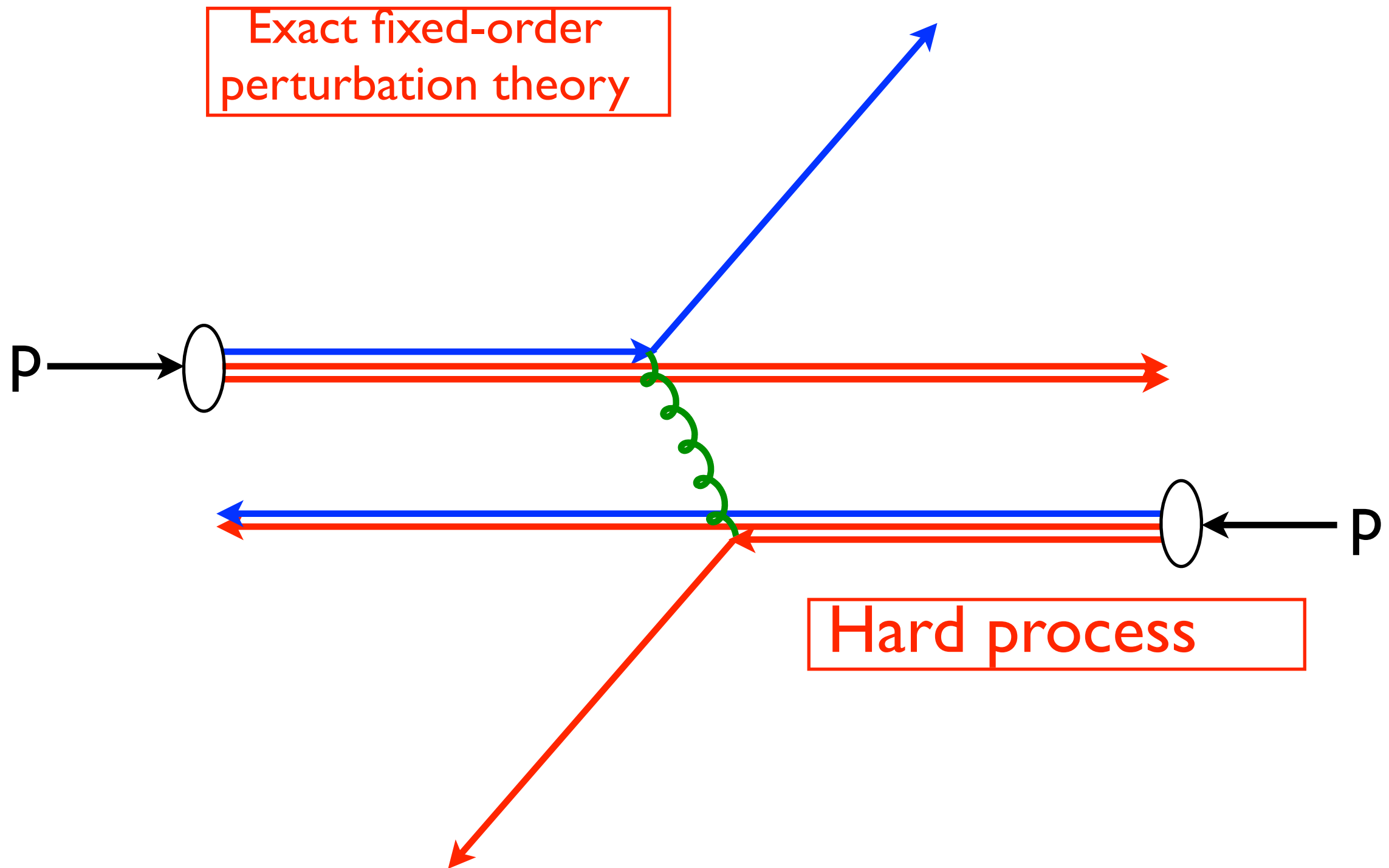
quark jet

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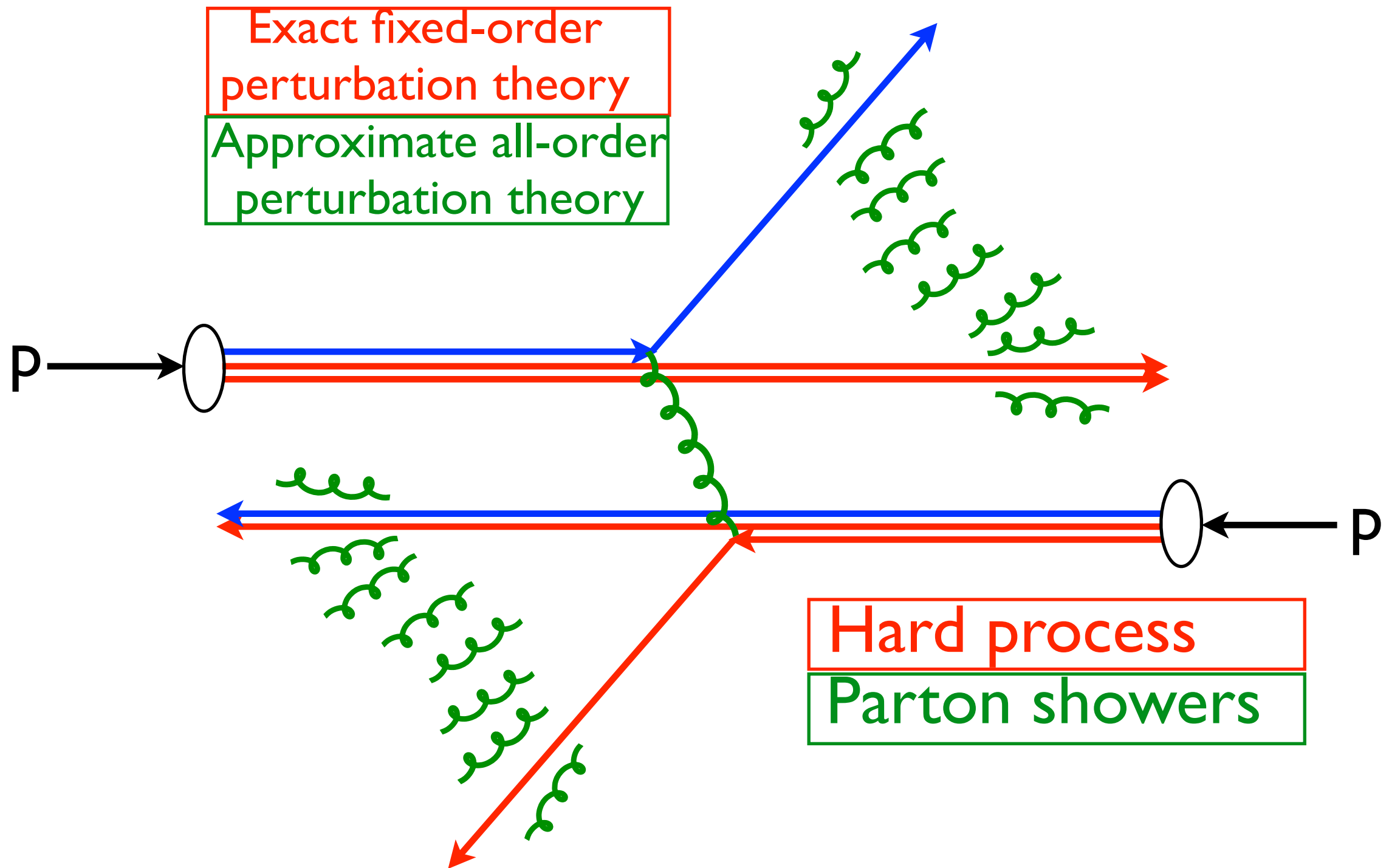


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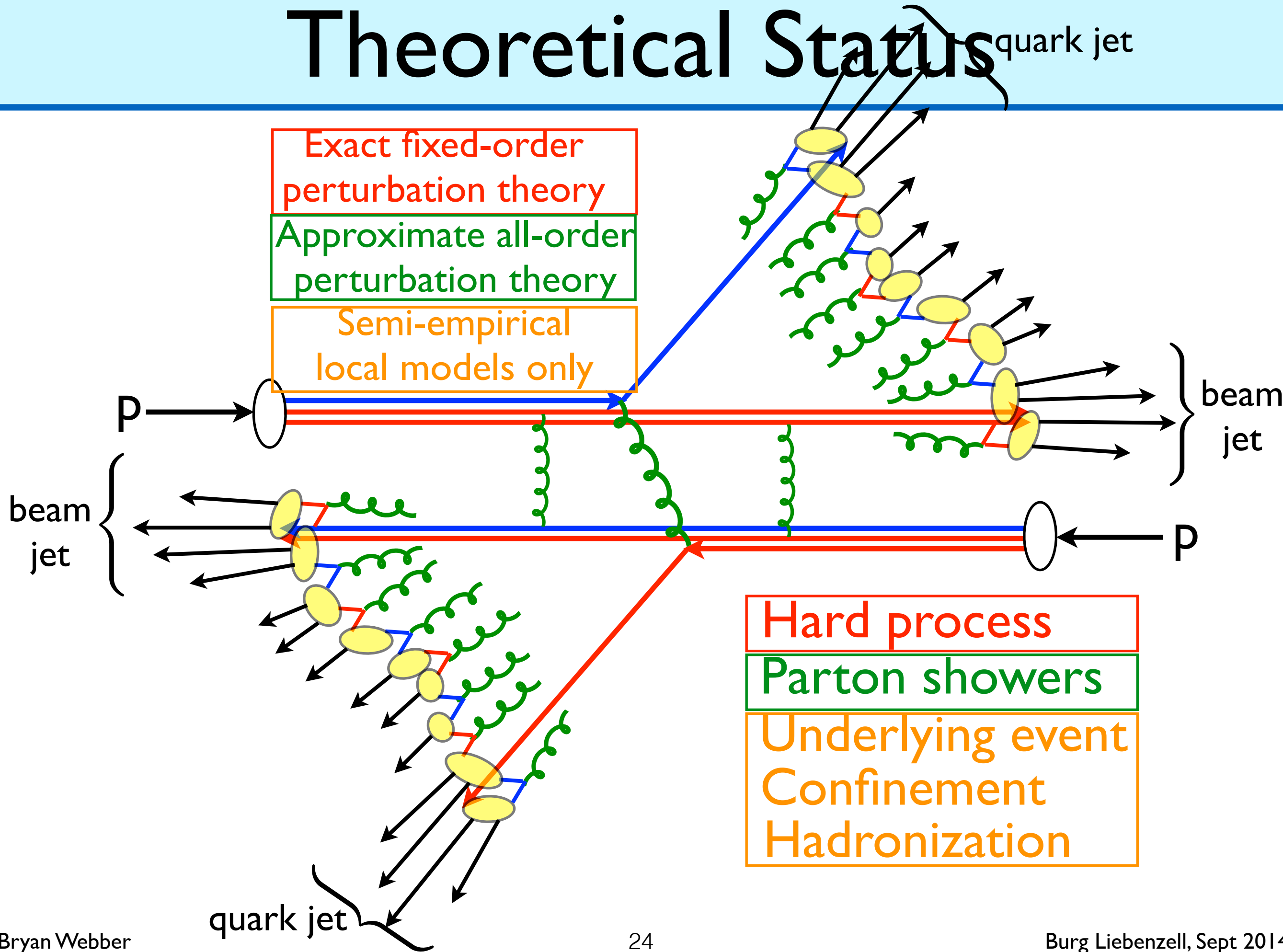




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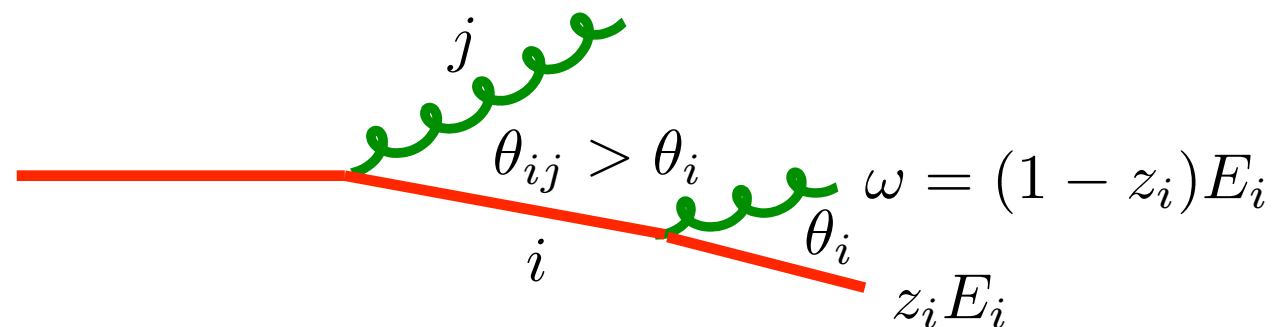


# Parton Shower Approximation

- Keep only most singular parts of QCD matrix elements:

- **Collinear**  $d\sigma_{n+1} \approx \frac{\alpha_S}{2\pi} \sum_i P_{ii}(z_i, \phi_i) dz_i \frac{d\xi_i}{\xi_i} \frac{d\phi_i}{2\pi} d\sigma_n$   $\xi_i = 1 - \cos \theta_i$

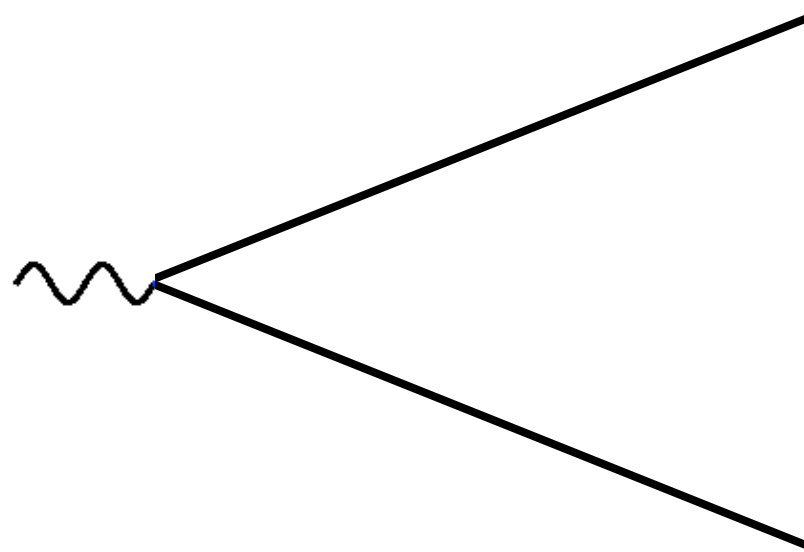
- **Soft**  $d\sigma_{n+1} \approx \frac{\alpha_S}{2\pi} \sum_{i,j} (-\mathbf{T}_i \cdot \mathbf{T}_j) \frac{p_i \cdot p_j}{p_i \cdot k p_j \cdot k} \omega d\omega d\xi_i \frac{d\phi_i}{2\pi} d\sigma_n$   
 $= \frac{\alpha_S}{2\pi} \sum_{i,j} (-\mathbf{T}_i \cdot \mathbf{T}_j) \frac{\xi_{ij}}{\xi_i \xi_j} \frac{d\omega}{\omega} d\xi_i \frac{d\phi_i}{2\pi} d\sigma_n$   
 $\approx \frac{\alpha_S}{2\pi} \sum_{i,j} (-\mathbf{T}_i \cdot \mathbf{T}_j) \Theta(\xi_{ij} - \xi_i) \frac{d\omega}{\omega} \frac{d\xi_i}{\xi_i} d\sigma_n$



➔ Angular-ordered **parton shower** (or **dipoles**)

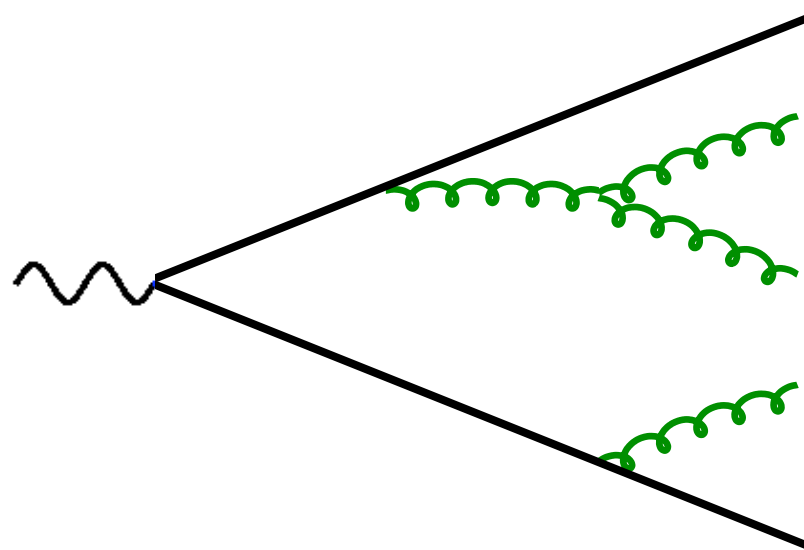
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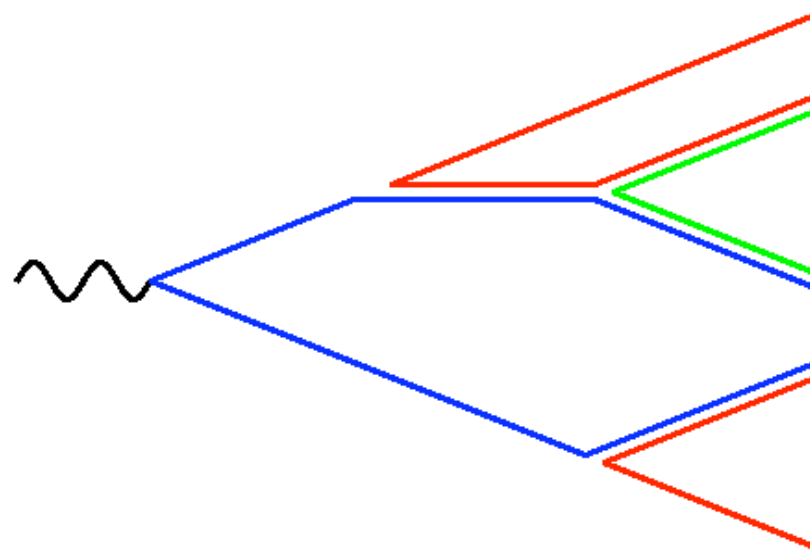
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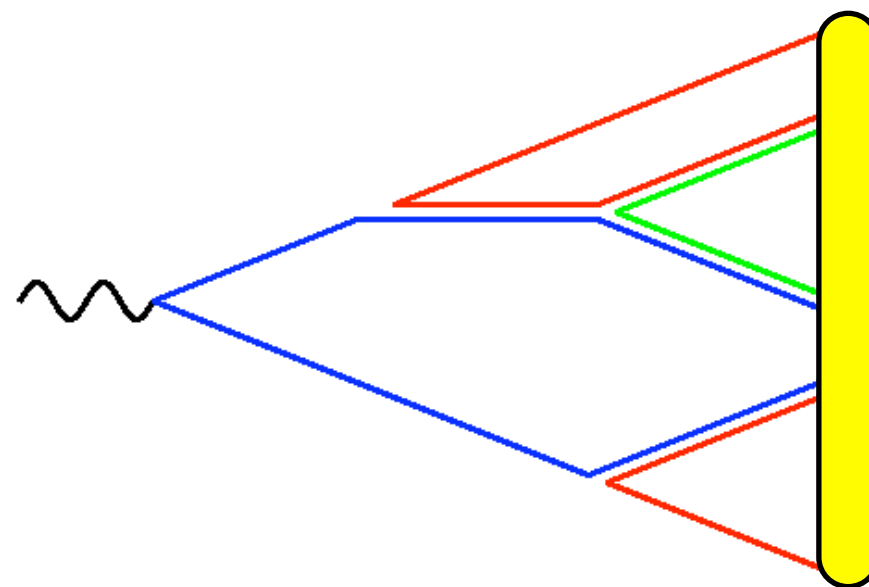
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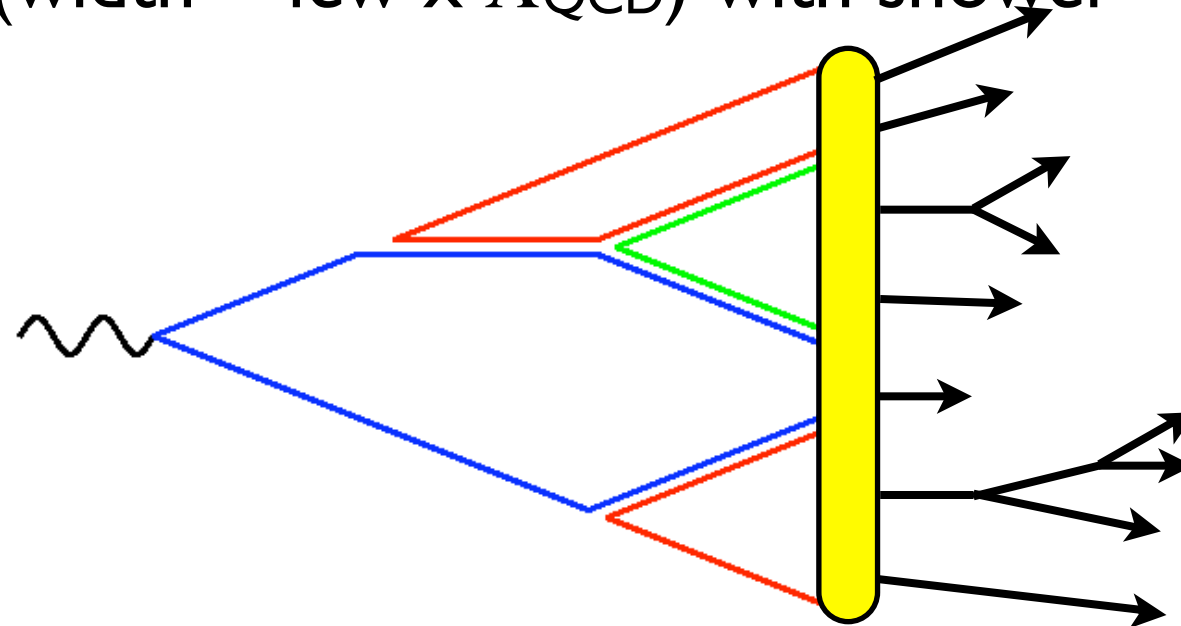
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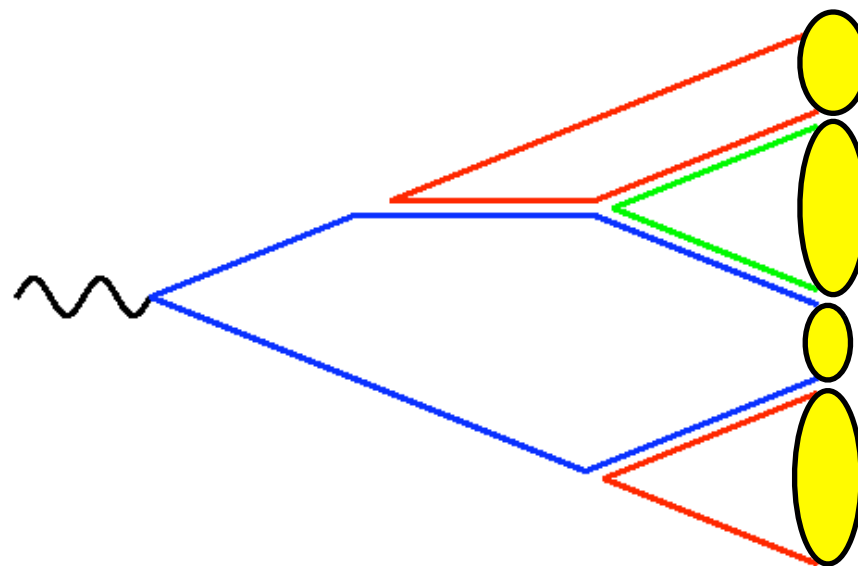
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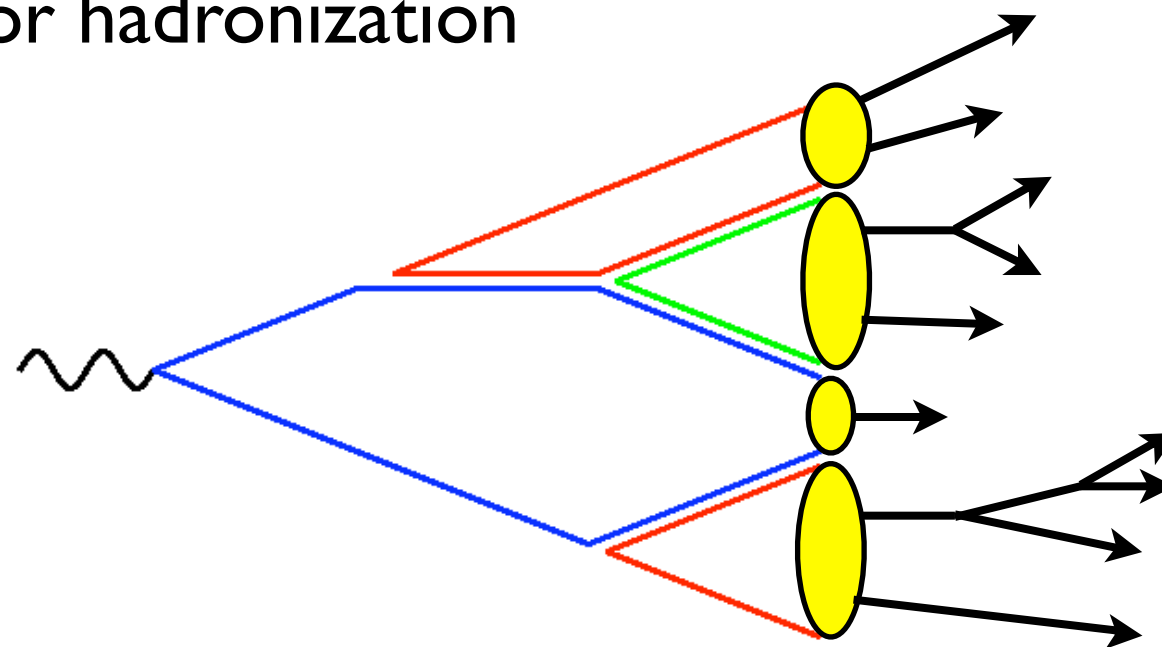
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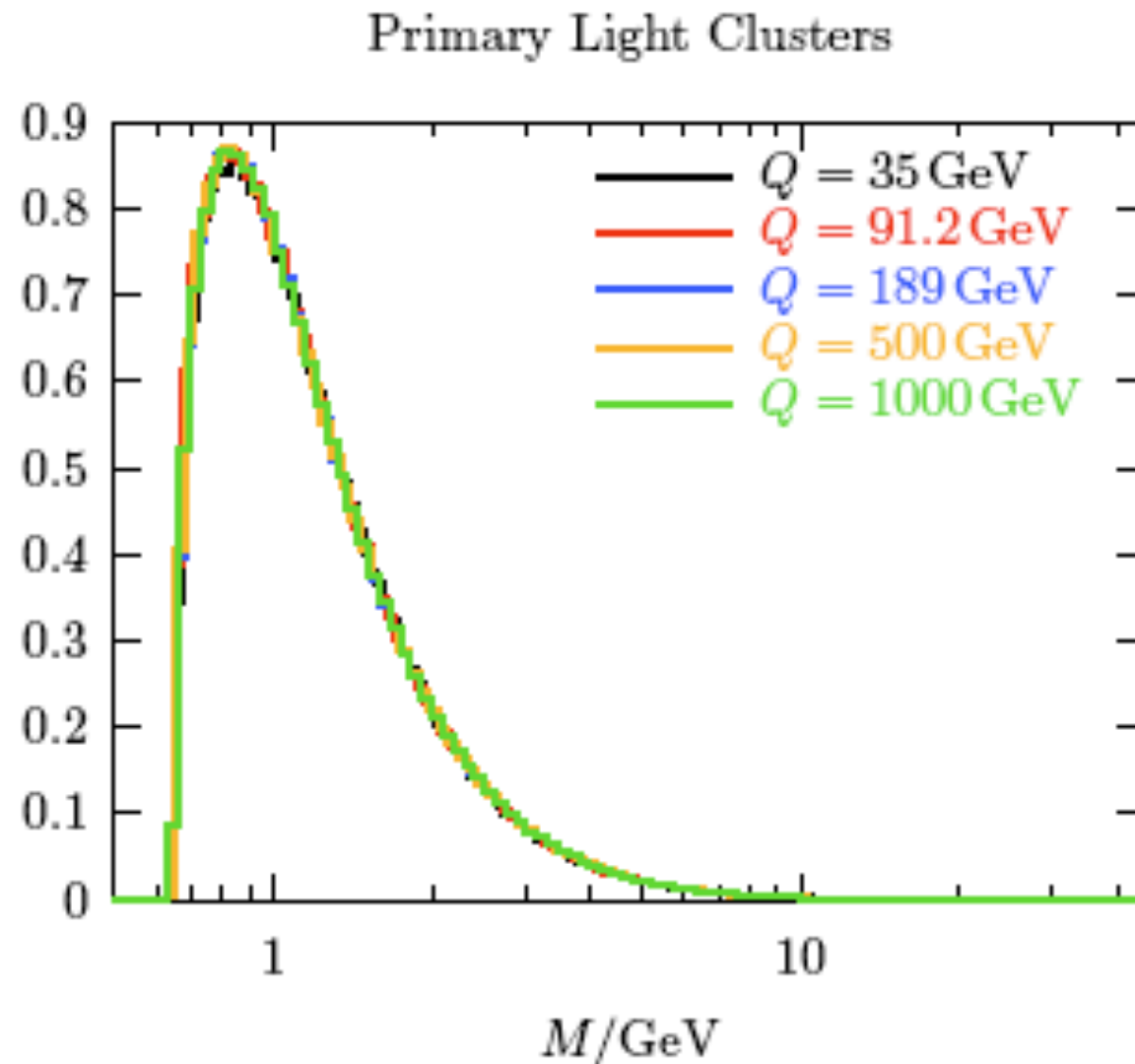


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# Colour Preconfinement

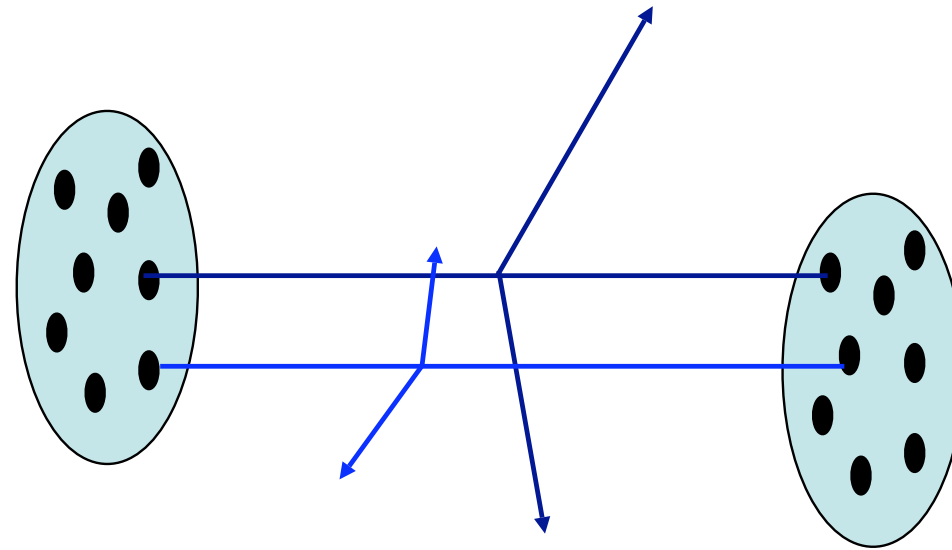


- Mass distribution of preconfinement clusters is universal
- Phase-space decay model for most clusters
- High-mass tail decays anisotropically (string-like)

# Hadronization Status

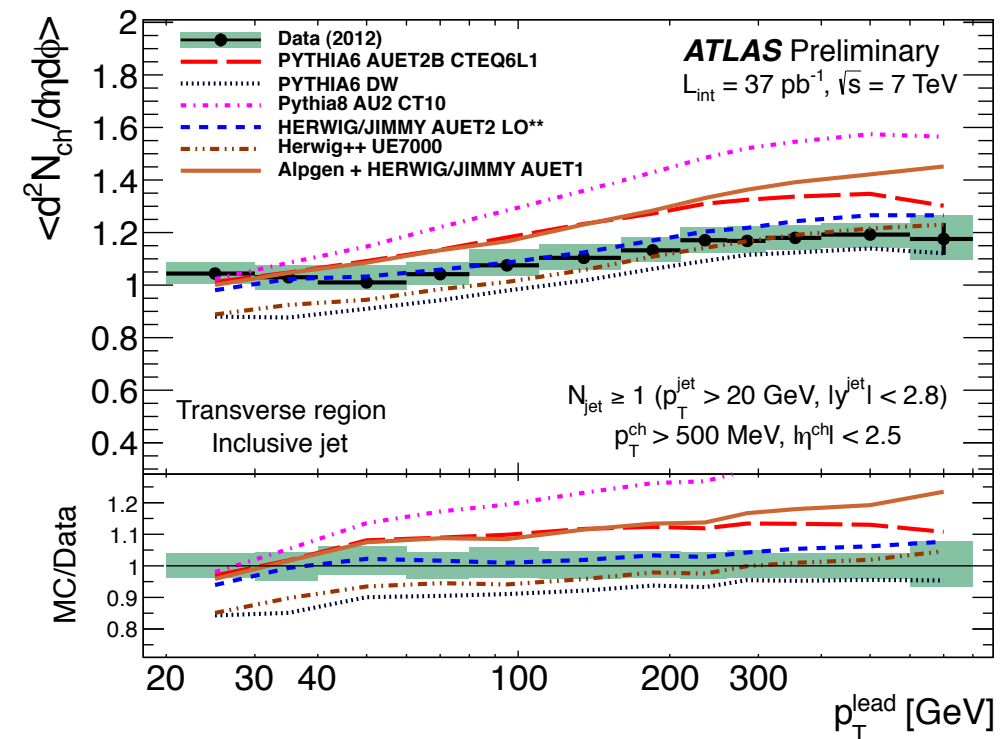
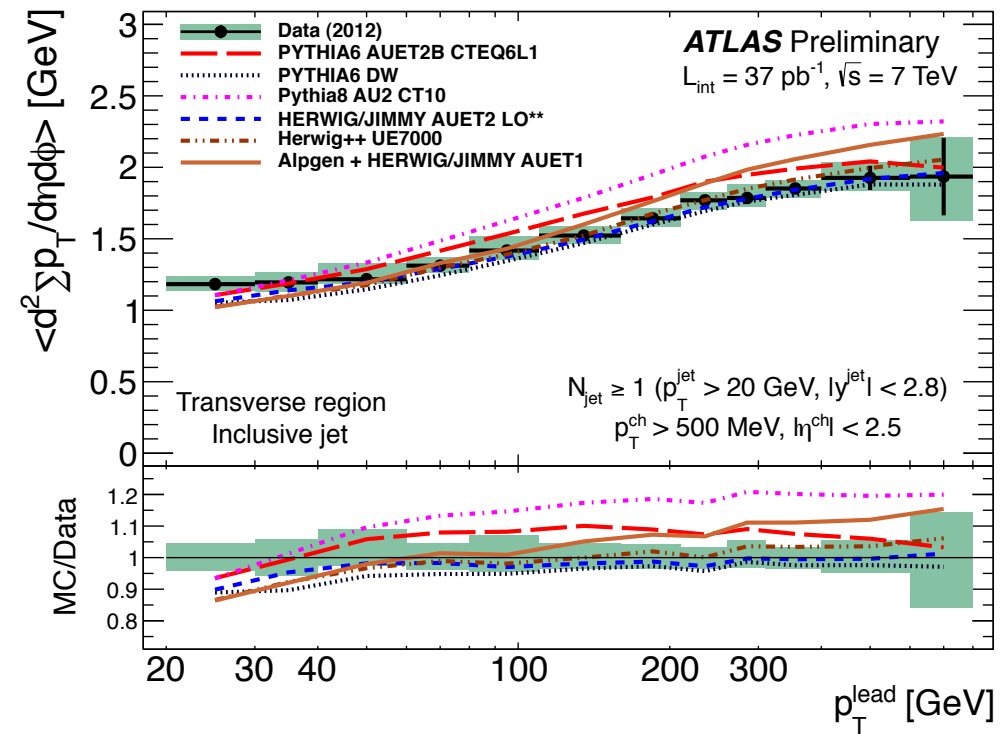
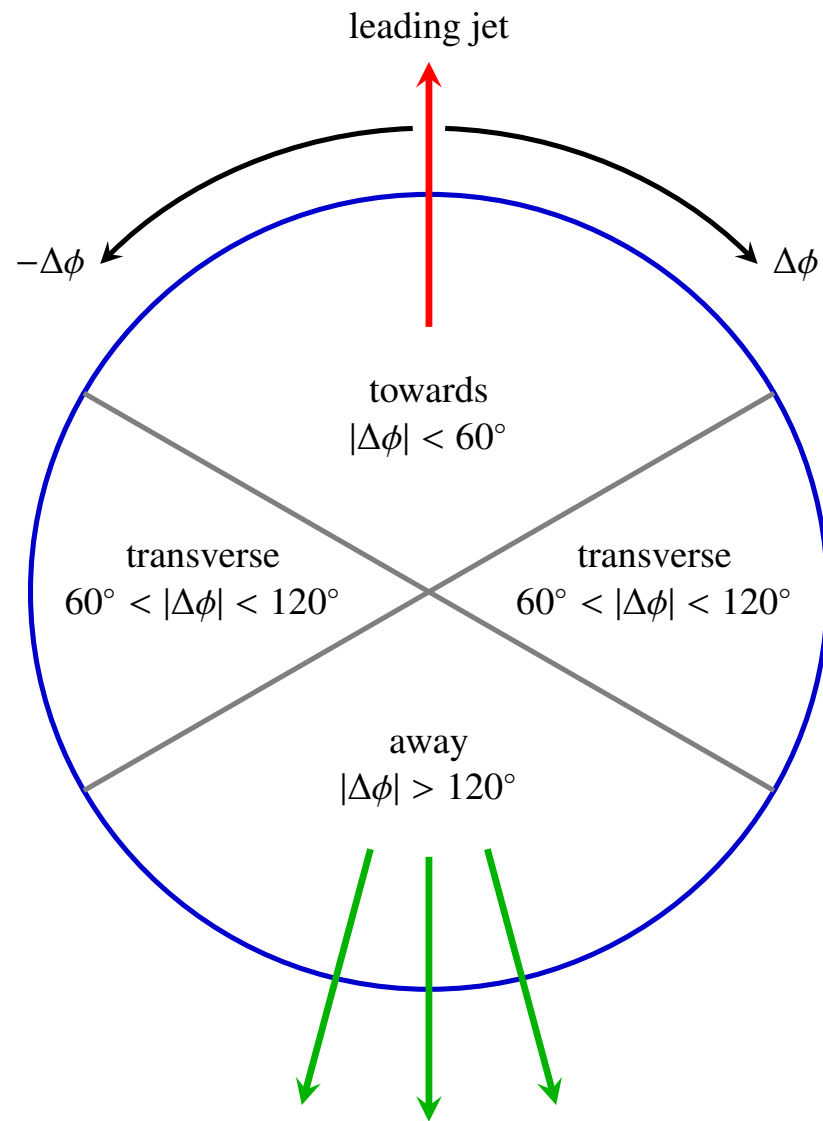
- No fundamental progress since 1980s
  - ✦ Available non-perturbative methods (lattice, AdS/QCD, ...) are inapplicable
- Less important in some respects in LHC era
  - ✦ Jets, leptons and photons are observed objects, not hadrons
- But still important for detector effects
  - ✦ Jet response, heavy-flavour tagging, lepton and photon isolation, ...

# Underlying Event



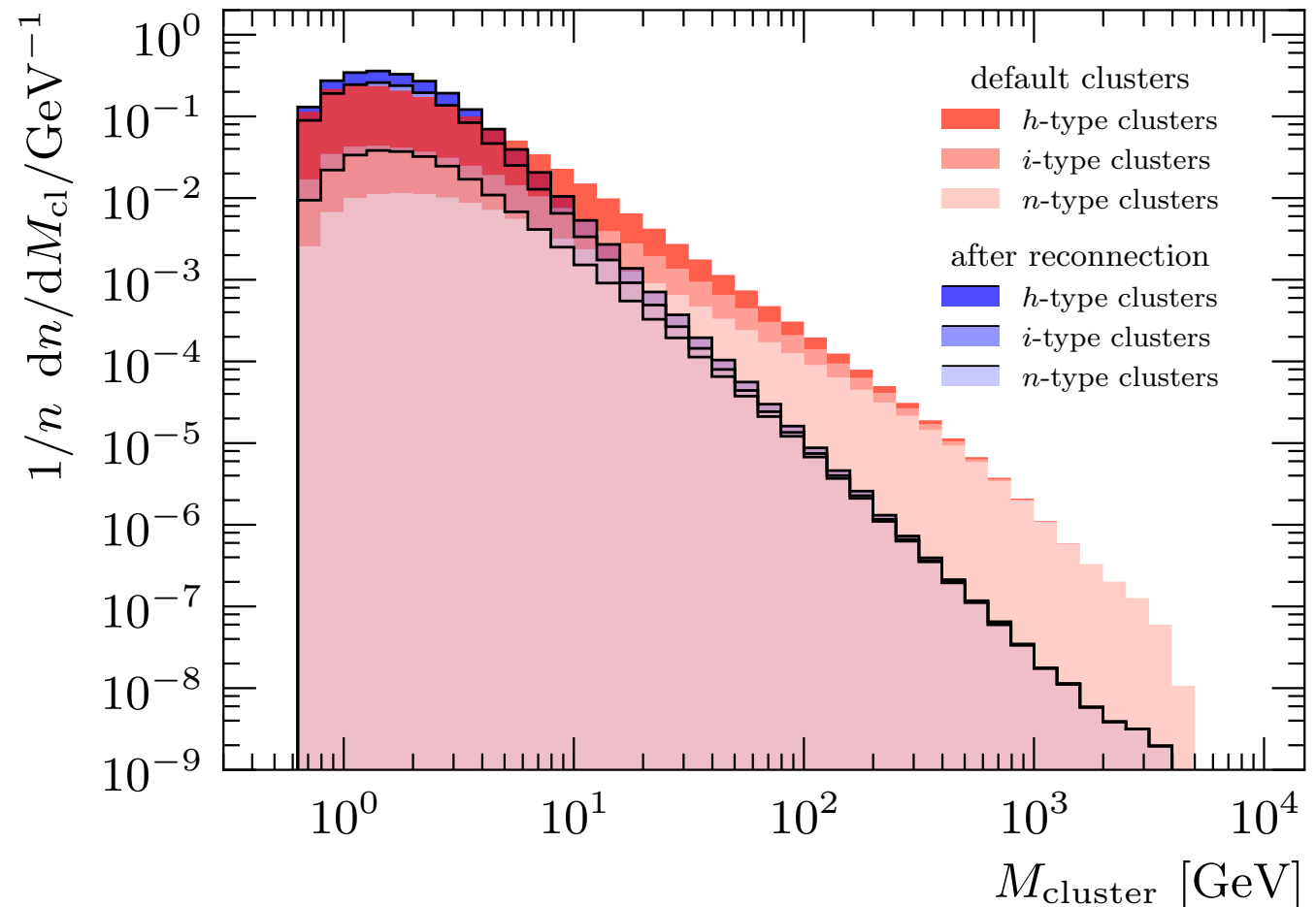
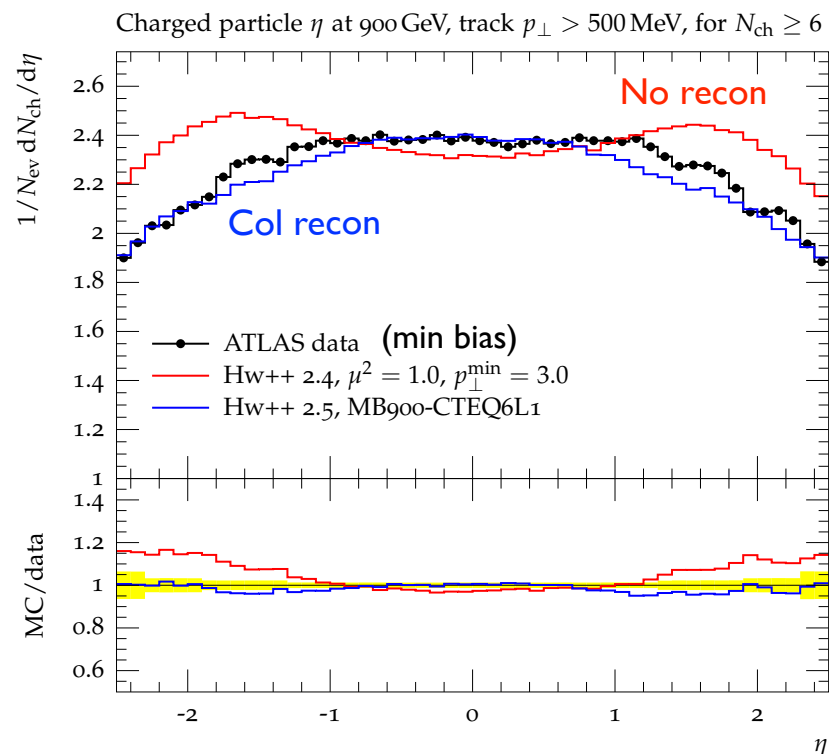
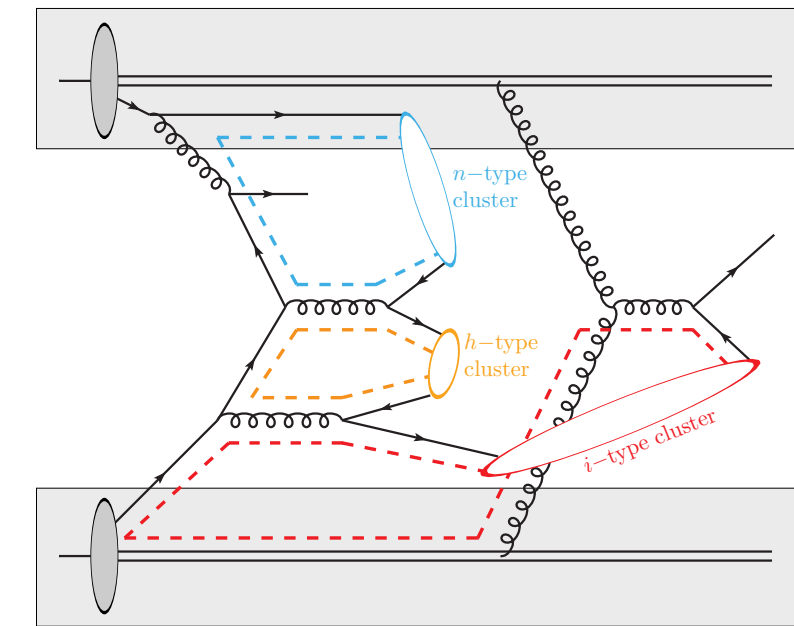
- Multiple parton interactions in same collision
  - ✦ Depends on density profile of proton
- Assume QCD 2-to-2 secondary collisions
  - ✦ Need cutoff at low  $p_T$
- Need to model colour flow
  - ✦ Colour reconnections are necessary

# Underlying Event



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# Colour Reconnection

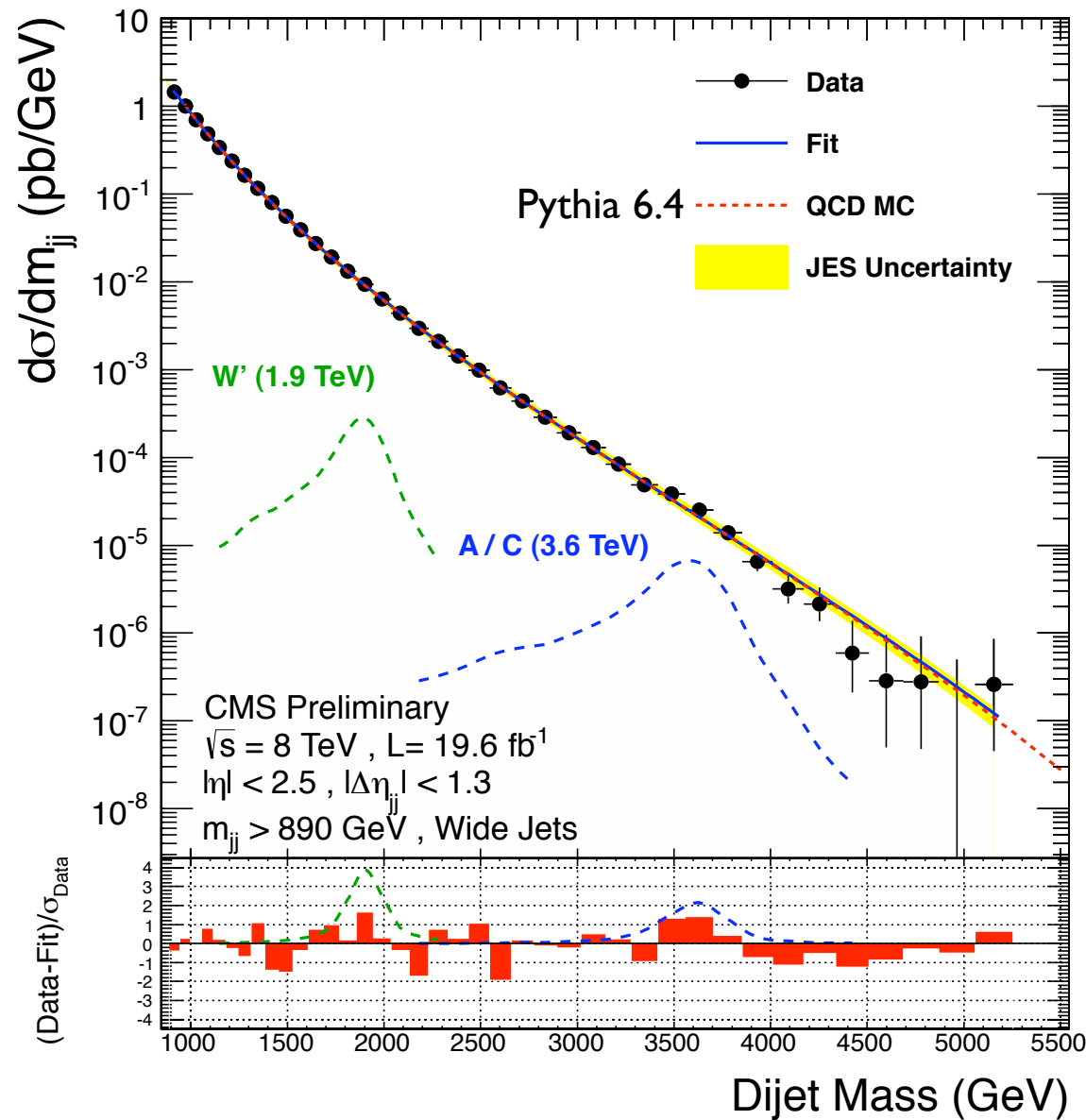


- “Colour length”  $\lambda \equiv \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{cl}}} m_i^2$  reduced by reconnection
- Massive leading clusters reduced
- Similar need in string model

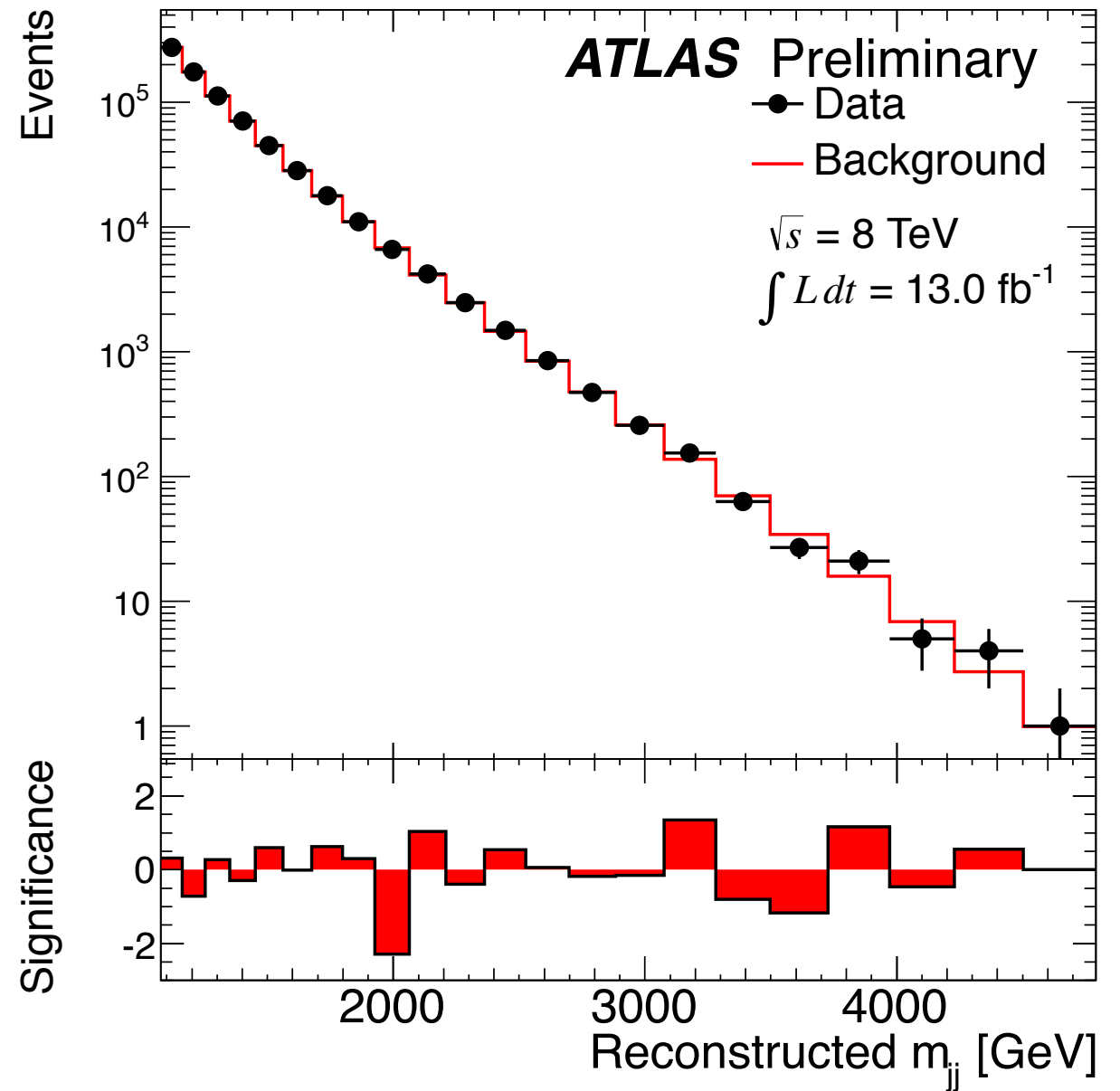
Gieseke, Röhr, Siódmok, arXiv:1206.2205



# Dijet Mass Distribution



CMS PAS EXO-12-059



ATLAS CONF-2012-148

- No sign of deviation from Standard Model (yet)

# Event Generators

## ● HERWIG

<http://projects.hepforge.org/herwig/>

➔ Angular-ordered parton shower, cluster hadronization

➔ v6 Fortran; Herwig++

## ● PYTHIA

<http://www.thep.lu.se/~torbjorn/Pythia.html>

➔ Dipole-type parton shower, string hadronization

➔ v6 Fortran; v8 C++

## ● SHERPA

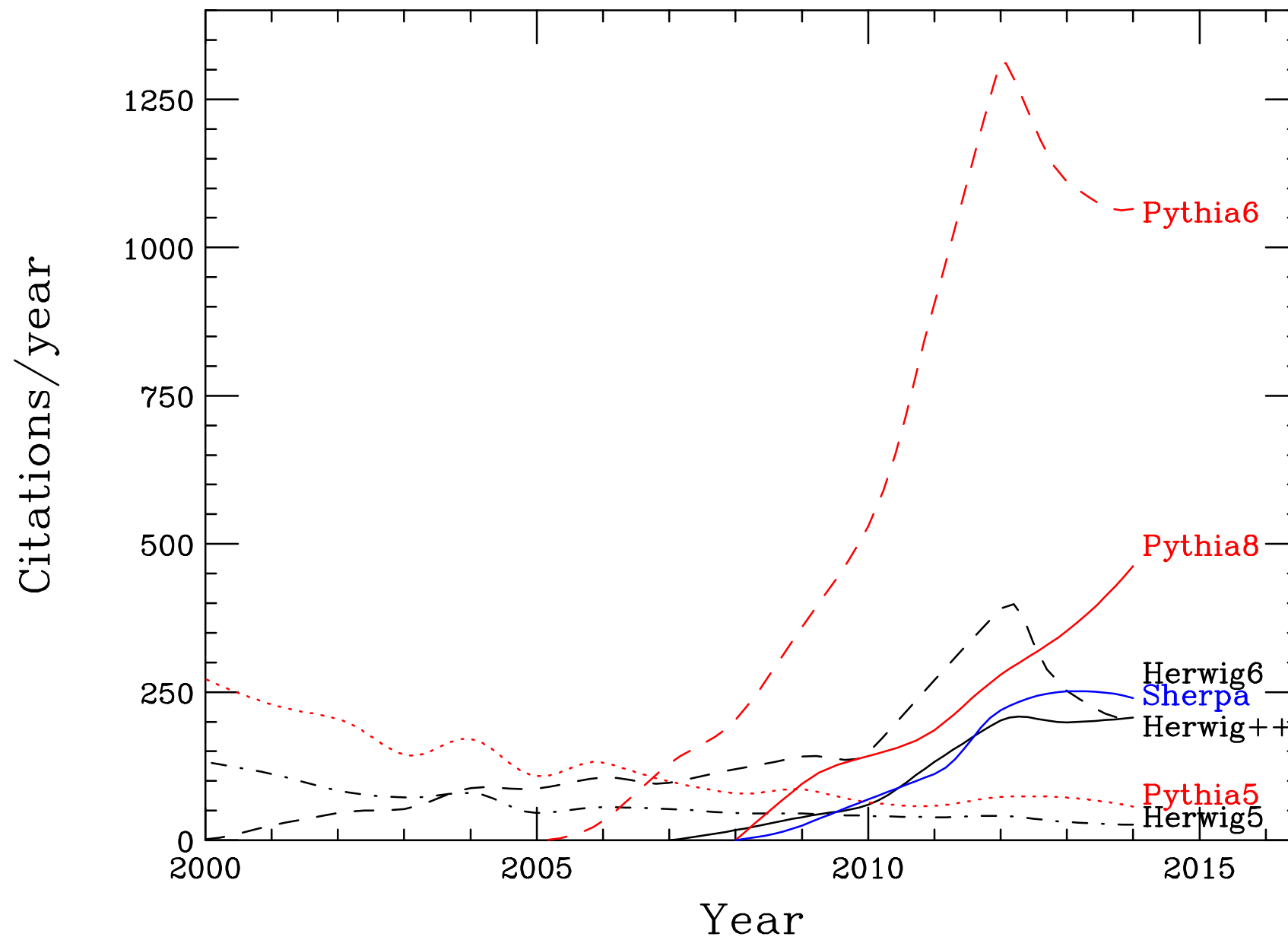
<http://projects.hepforge.org/sherpa/>

➔ Dipole-type parton shower, cluster hadronization

➔ C++

“General-purpose event generators for LHC physics”,  
A Buckley et al., arXiv:1101.2599, Phys. Rept. 504(2011)145

# Generator Citations



- Most-cited article only for each version
- 2014 is extrapolation (Jan to Aug x1.5)

# Other relevant software

(with apologies for omissions)

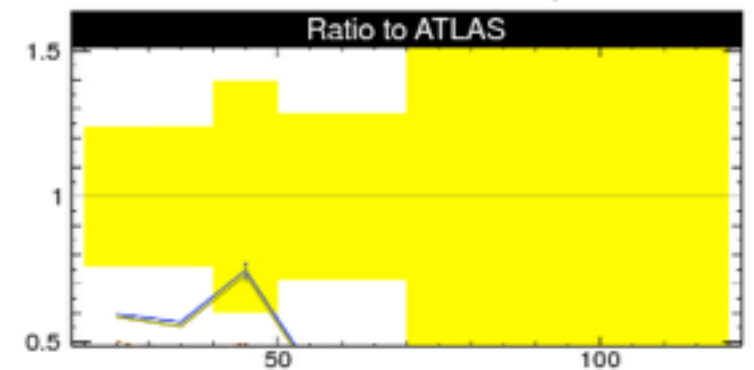
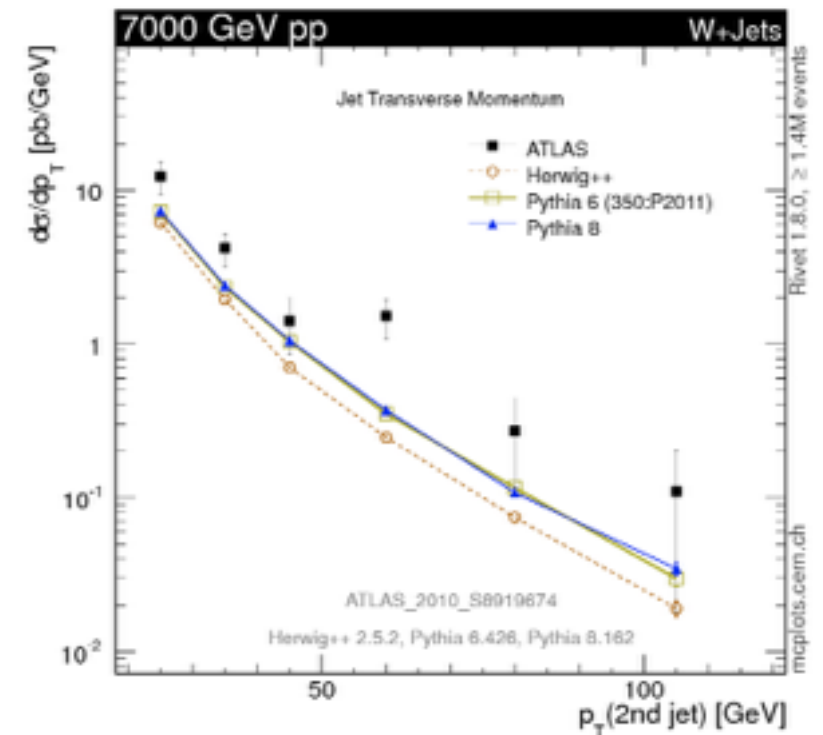
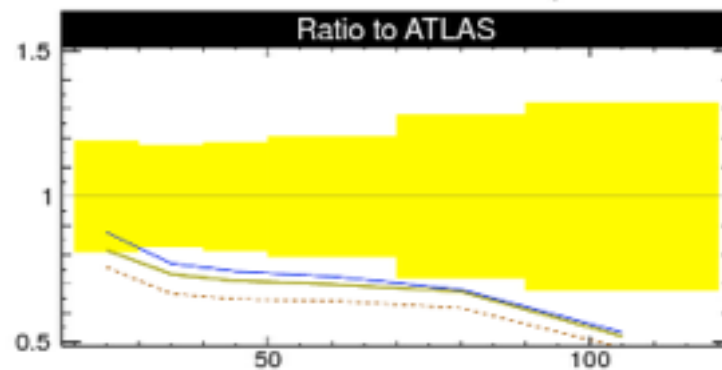
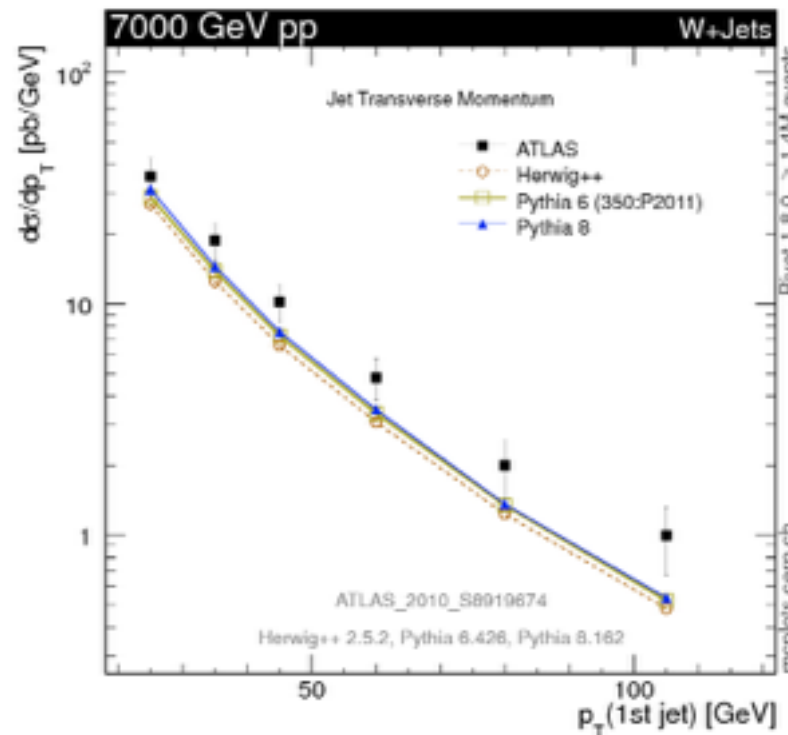
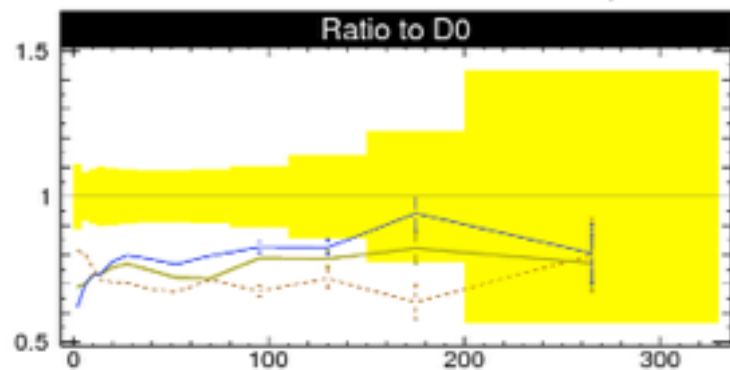
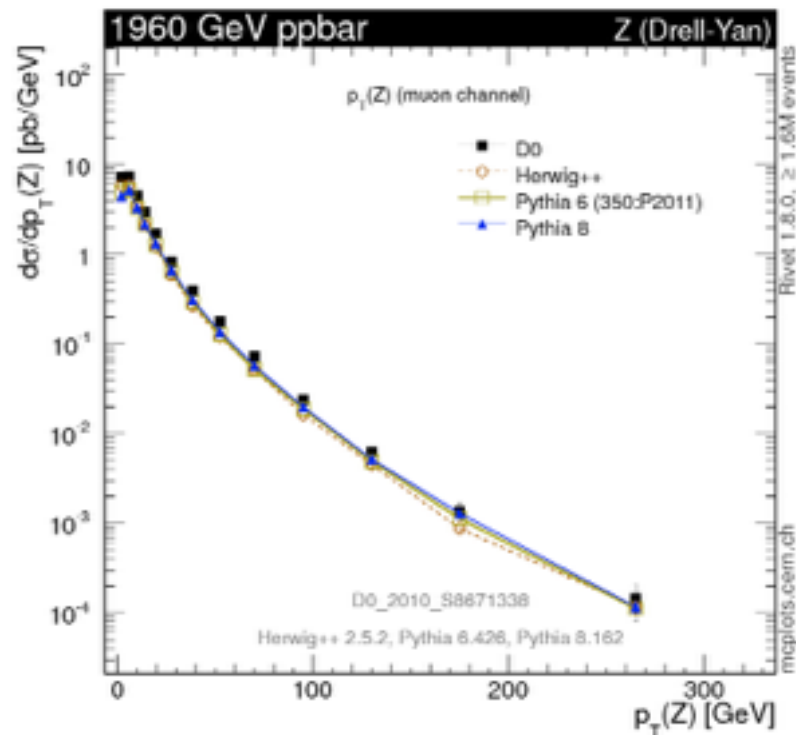
- **Other event/shower generators:** PhoJet, Ariadne, Dipsy, Cascade, Vincia
- **Matrix-element generators:** MadGraph/MadEvent, CompHep, CalcHep, Helac, Whizard, Sherpa, GoSam, aMC@NLO
- **Matrix element libraries:** AlpGen, POWHEG BOX, MCFM, NLOjet++, VBFNLO, BlackHat, Rocket
- **Special BSM scenarios:** Prospino, Charybdis, TrueNoir
- **Mass spectra and decays:** SOFTSUSY, SPHENO, HDecay, SDecay
- **Feynman rule generators:** FeynRules
- **PDF libraries:** LHAPDF
- **Resummed ( $p_{\perp}$ ) spectra:** ResBos
- **Approximate loops:** LoopSim
- **Jet finders:** anti- $k_{\perp}$  and FastJet
- **Analysis packages:** Rivet, Professor, MCPLOTS
- **Detector simulation:** GEANT, Delphes
- **Constraints (from cosmology etc):** DarkSUSY, MicrOmegas
- **Standards:** PDF identity codes, LHA, LHEF, SLHA, Binoth LHA, HepMC

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# Parton Shower Monte Carlo

<http://mcplots.cern.ch/>

- Hard subprocess:  $q\bar{q} \rightarrow Z^0 / W^\pm$



- Leading-order (LO) normalization  $\Rightarrow$  need next-to-LO (NLO)
- Worse for high  $p_T$  and/or extra jets  $\Rightarrow$  need multijet merging

# Summary on Event Generators

- Fairly good overall description of data, but...
- Hard subprocess: LO no longer adequate
- Parton showers: need matching to NLO
  - ✦ Also multijet merging
  - ✦ NLO showering?
- Hadronization: string and cluster models
  - ✦ Need new ideas/methods
- Underlying event due to multiple interactions
  - ✦ Colour reconnection necessary