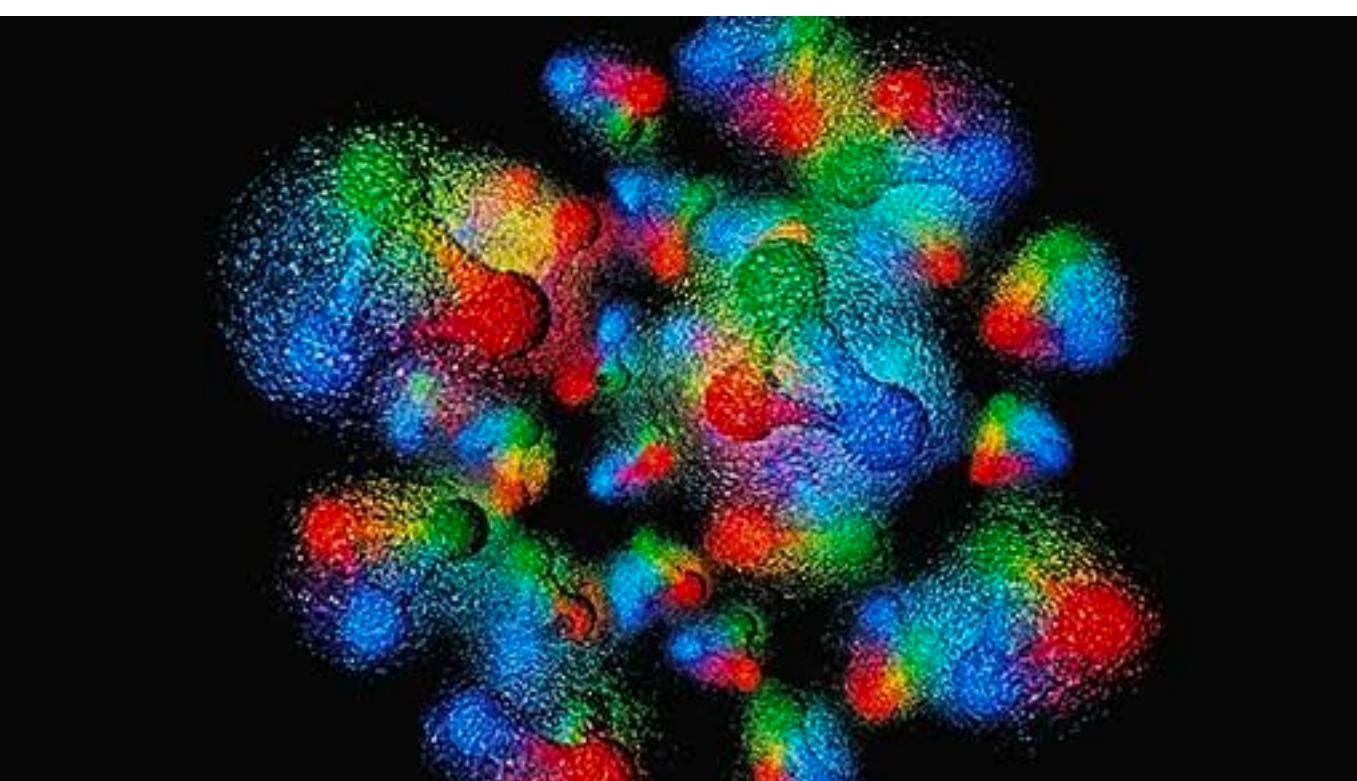
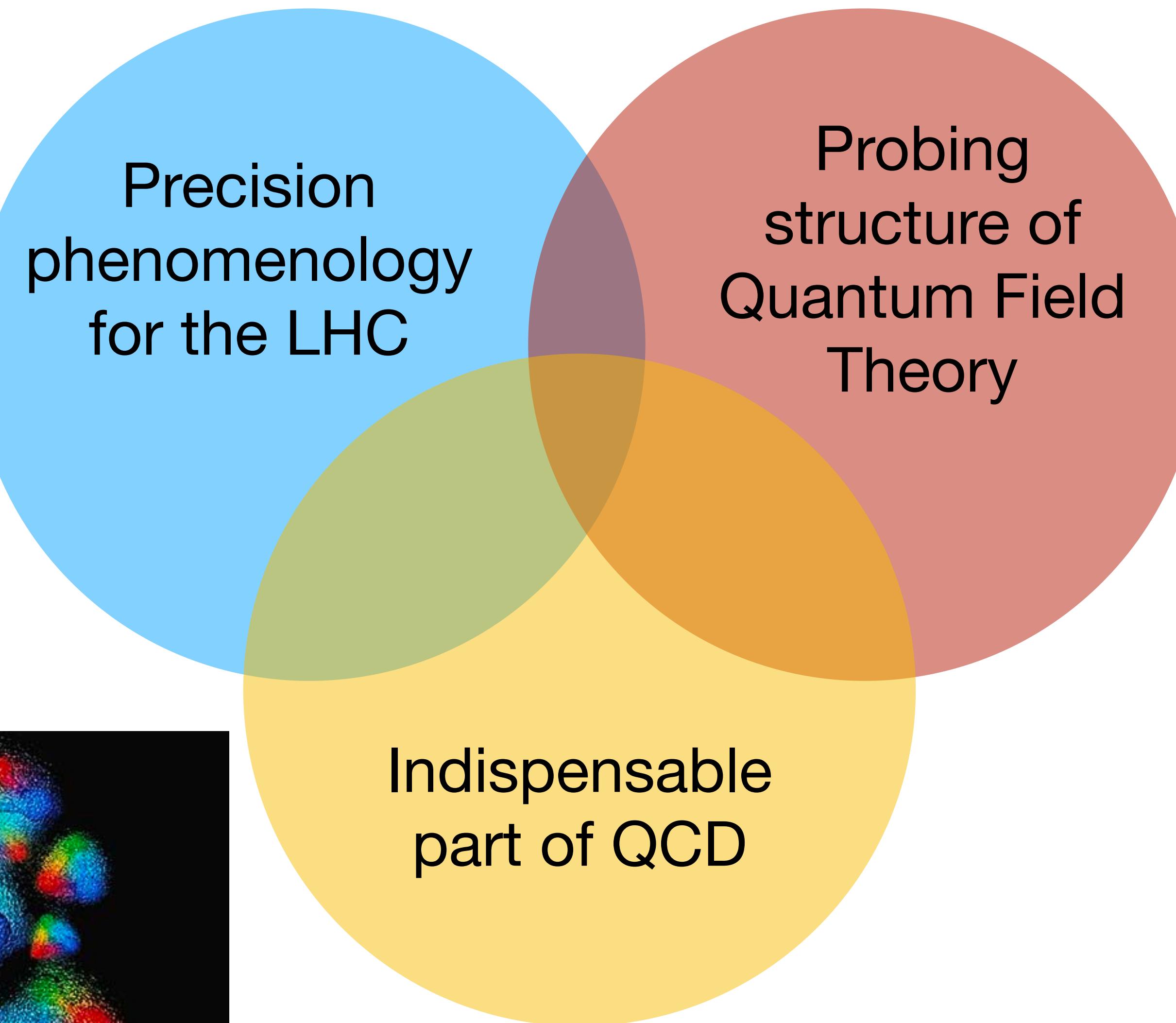
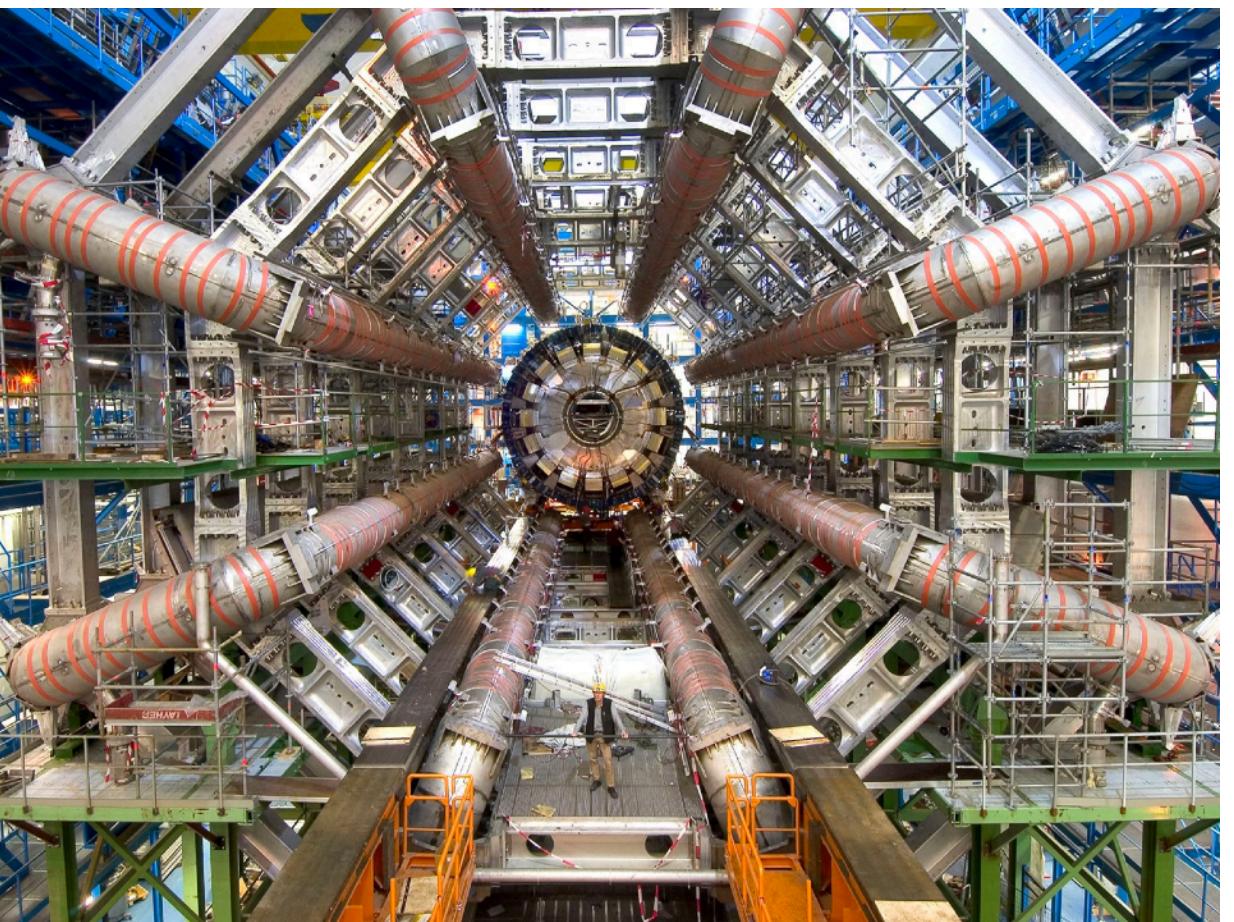


Progress for Perturbative QCD at the LHC

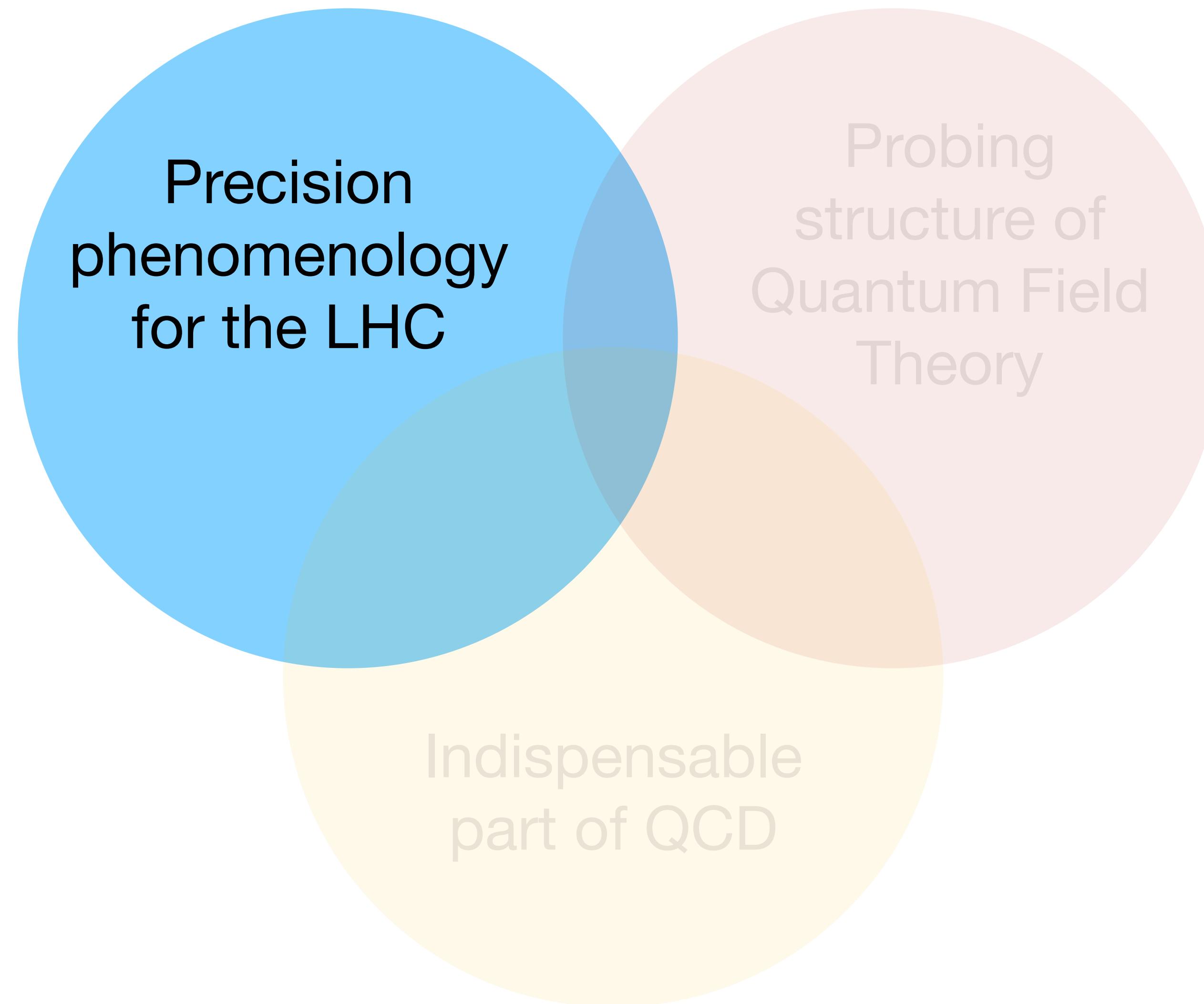
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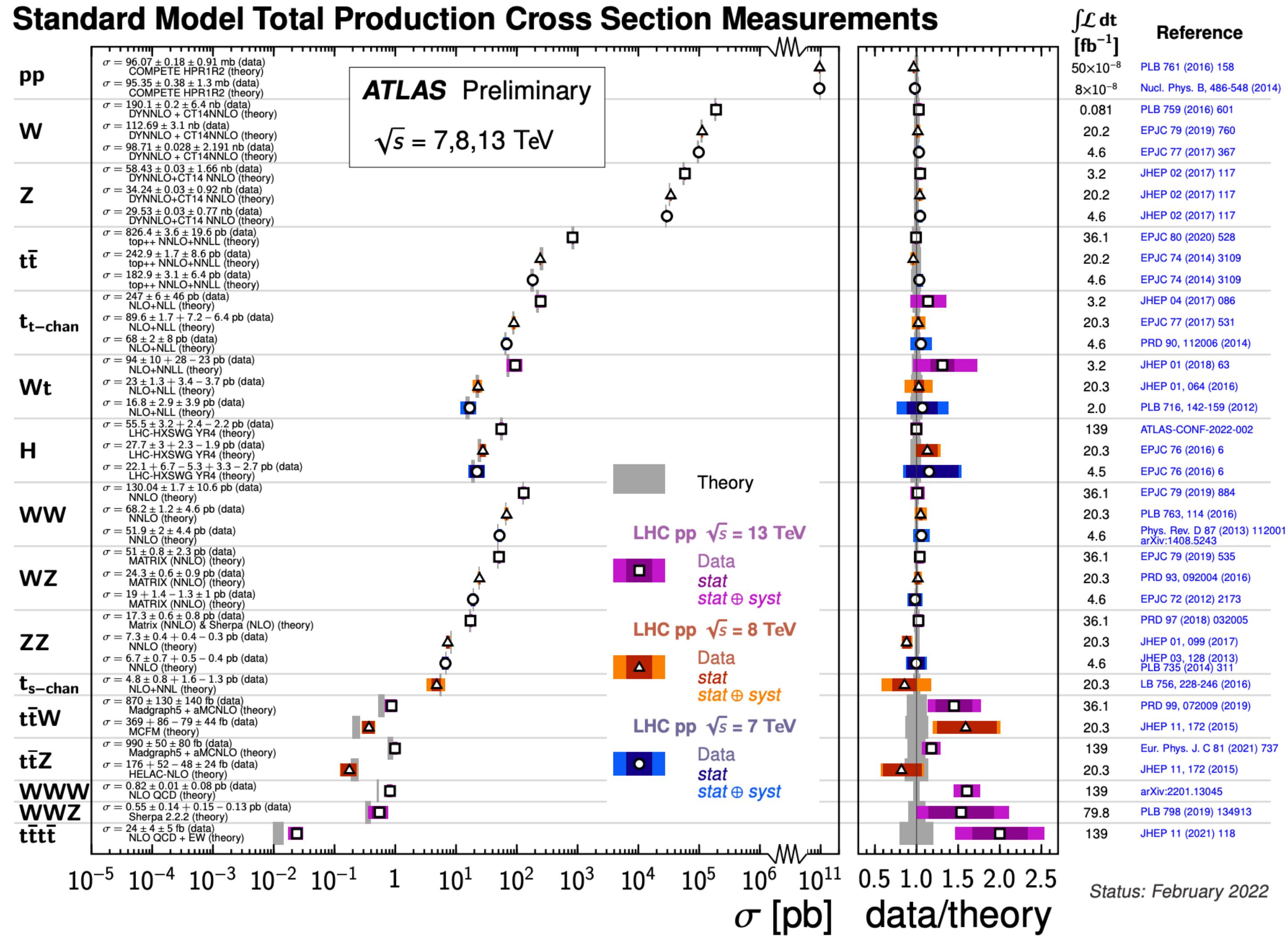
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Success of the LHC precision program



A great triumph of The Standard Model

But we should let no stone left unturned

Stress-test The Standard Model to its extreme!

But let's recall some history

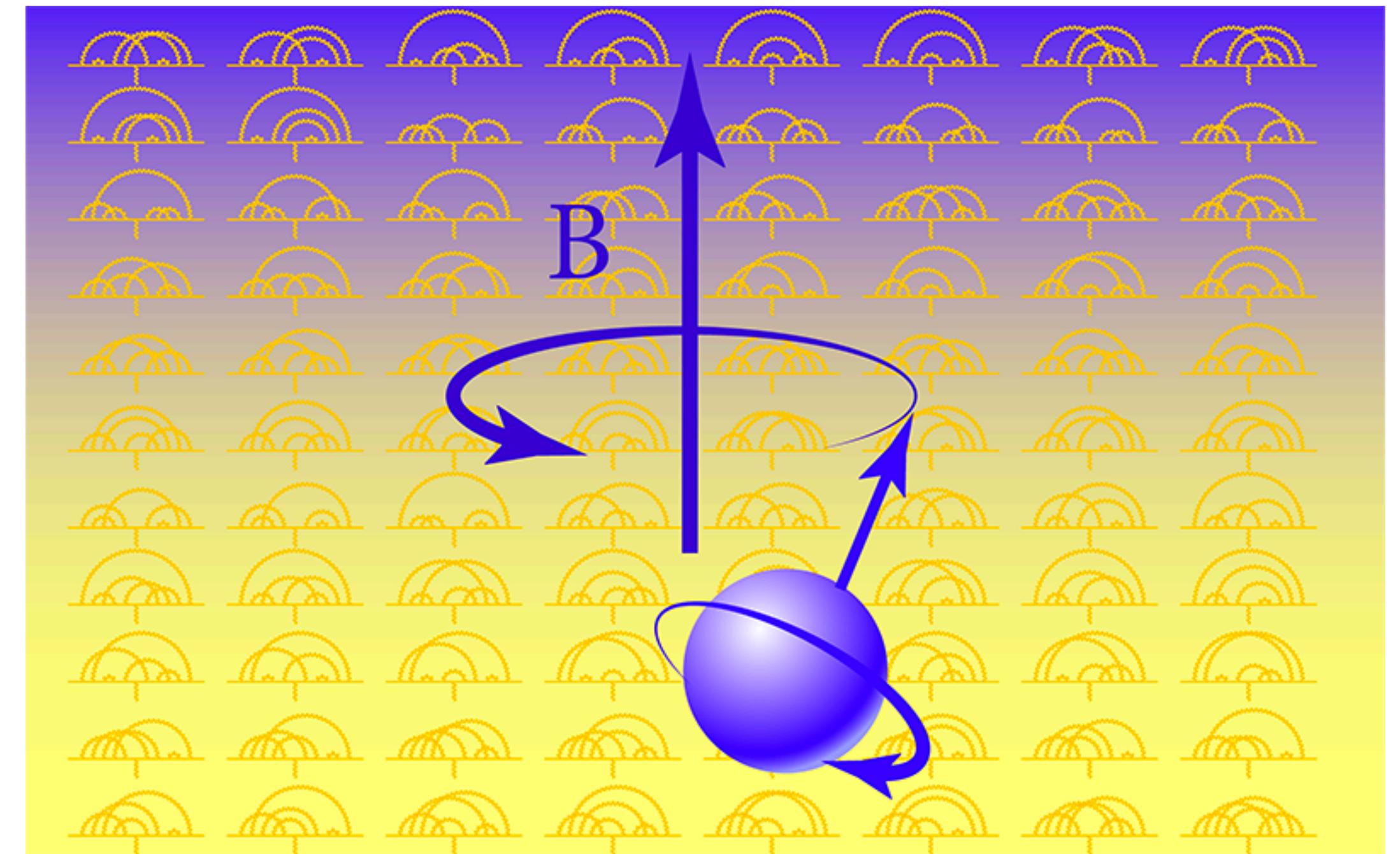


anomalous magnetic moment of electron

$$g = 2 + 2a_e$$

$$\begin{aligned} g &= 2 + 2 \times \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} + \dots \\ &= 2 + 0.0023228 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Lead to establishment of QED!

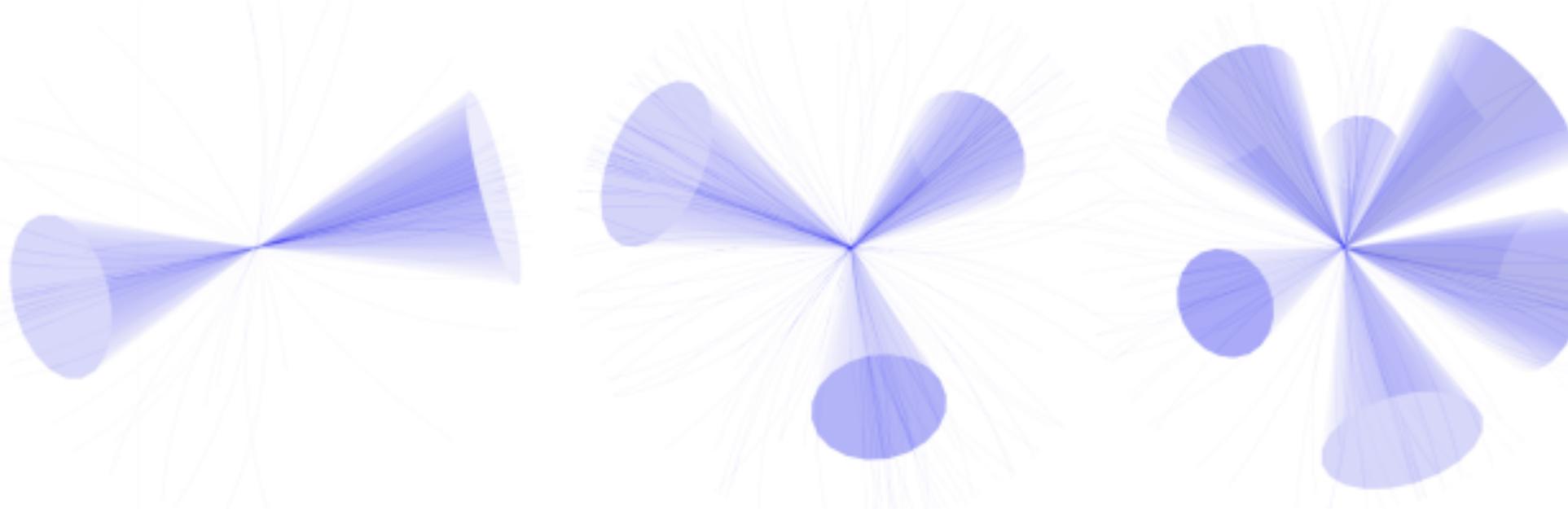


$$a_\mu = 0.001\,165\,920\,61(41)$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_\mu^{\text{SM}} &= a_\mu^{\text{QED}} + a_\mu^{\text{EW}} + a_\mu^{\text{hadron}} \\ &= 0.001\,165\,918\,04(51) \end{aligned}$$

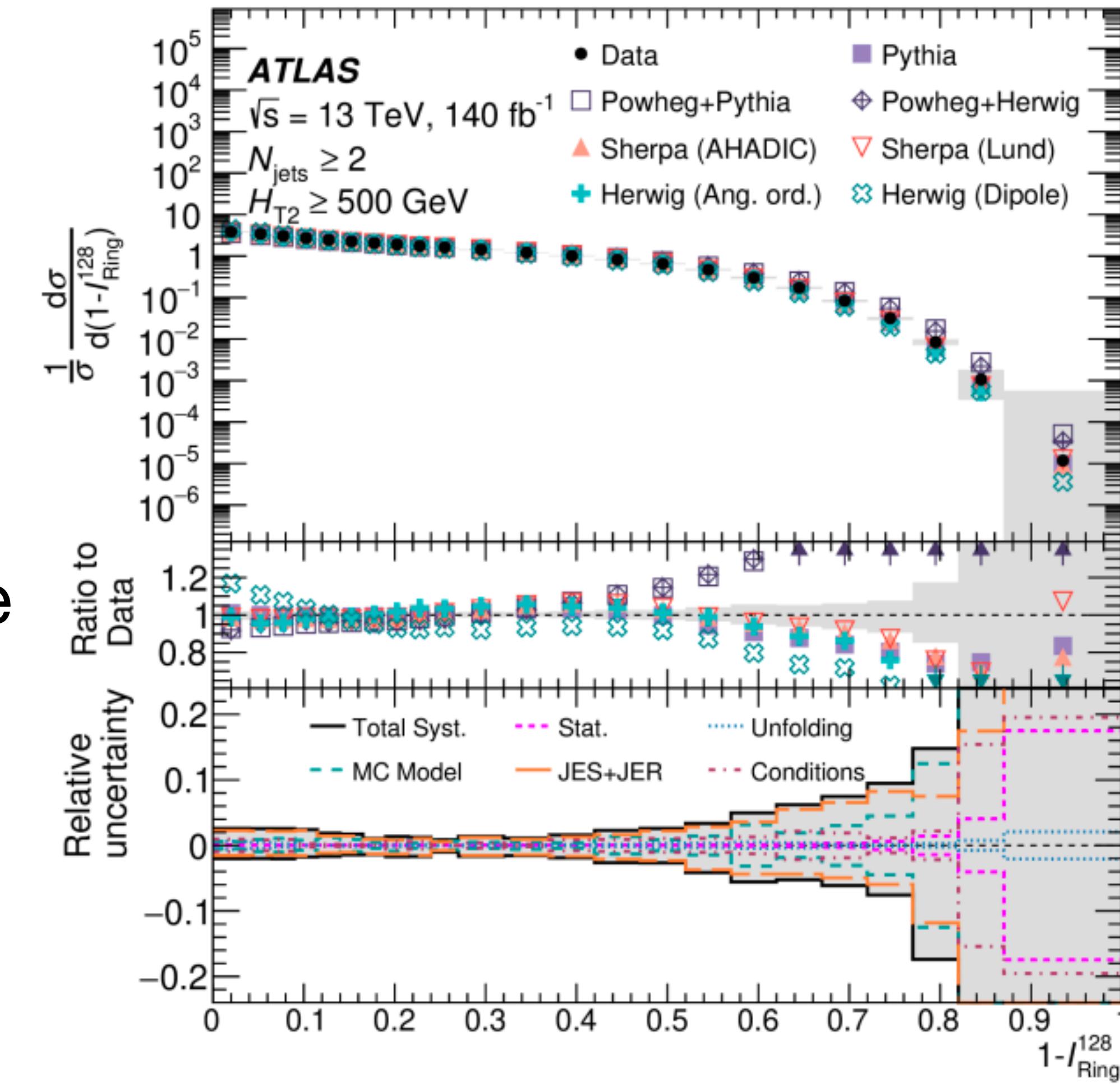
Looking for new physics at the 8th digit!

Deficiencies in theoretical predictions



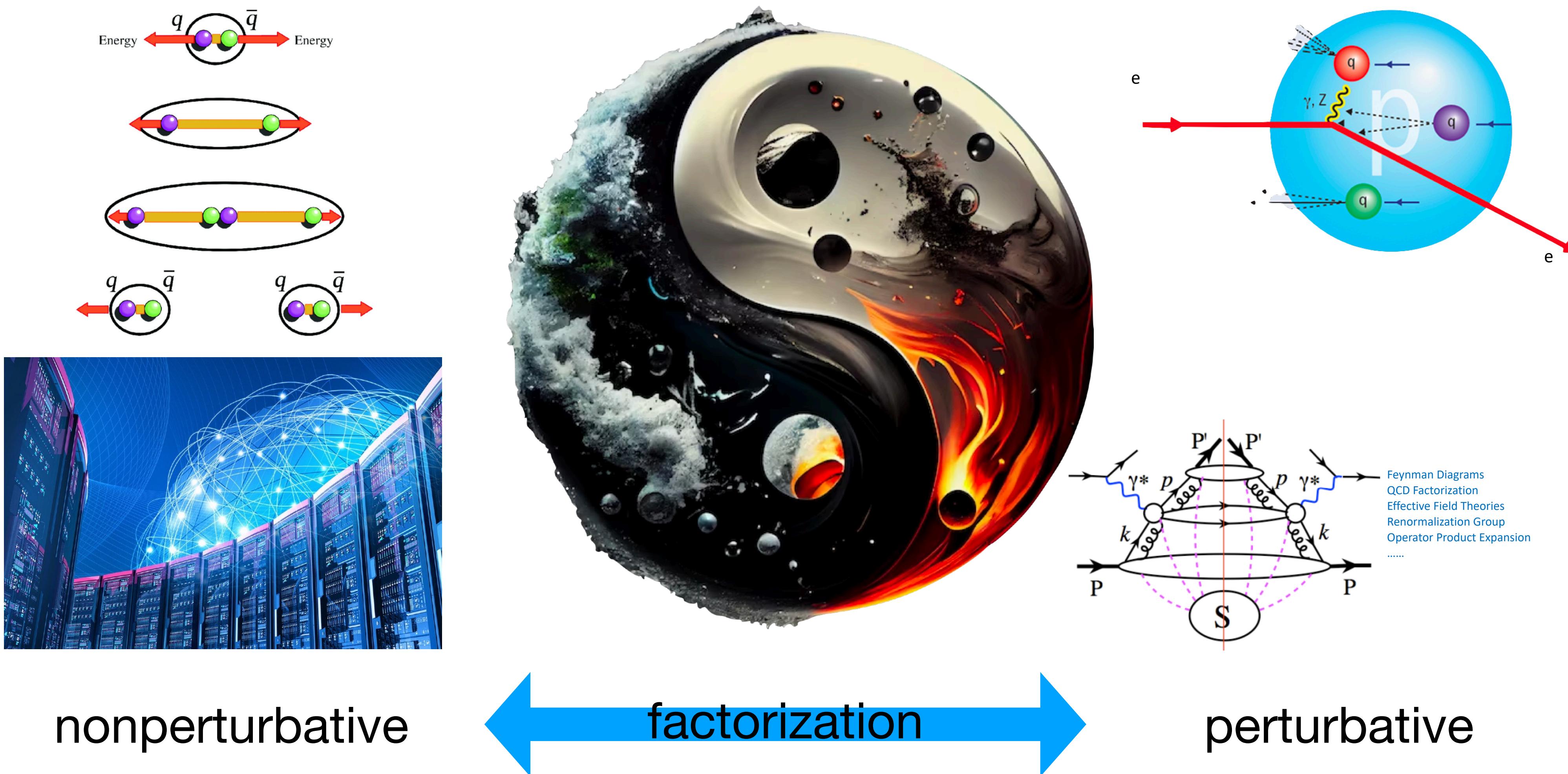
event isotropy: an event shape observable
that measures the departure from perfect
isotropy of collider event

C. Cesarotti, J. Thaler



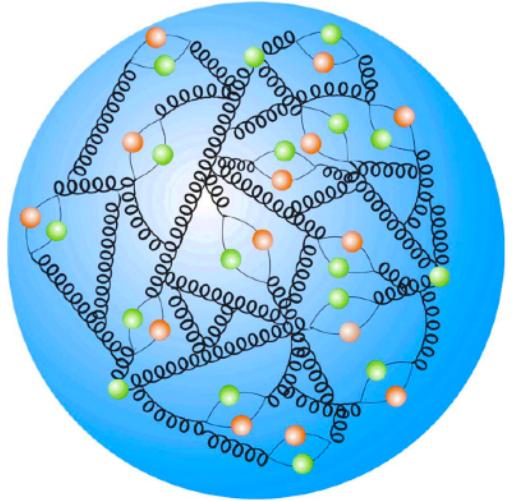
Theoretical predictions are far from perfect. Substantial space for progress!

Two faces of QCD

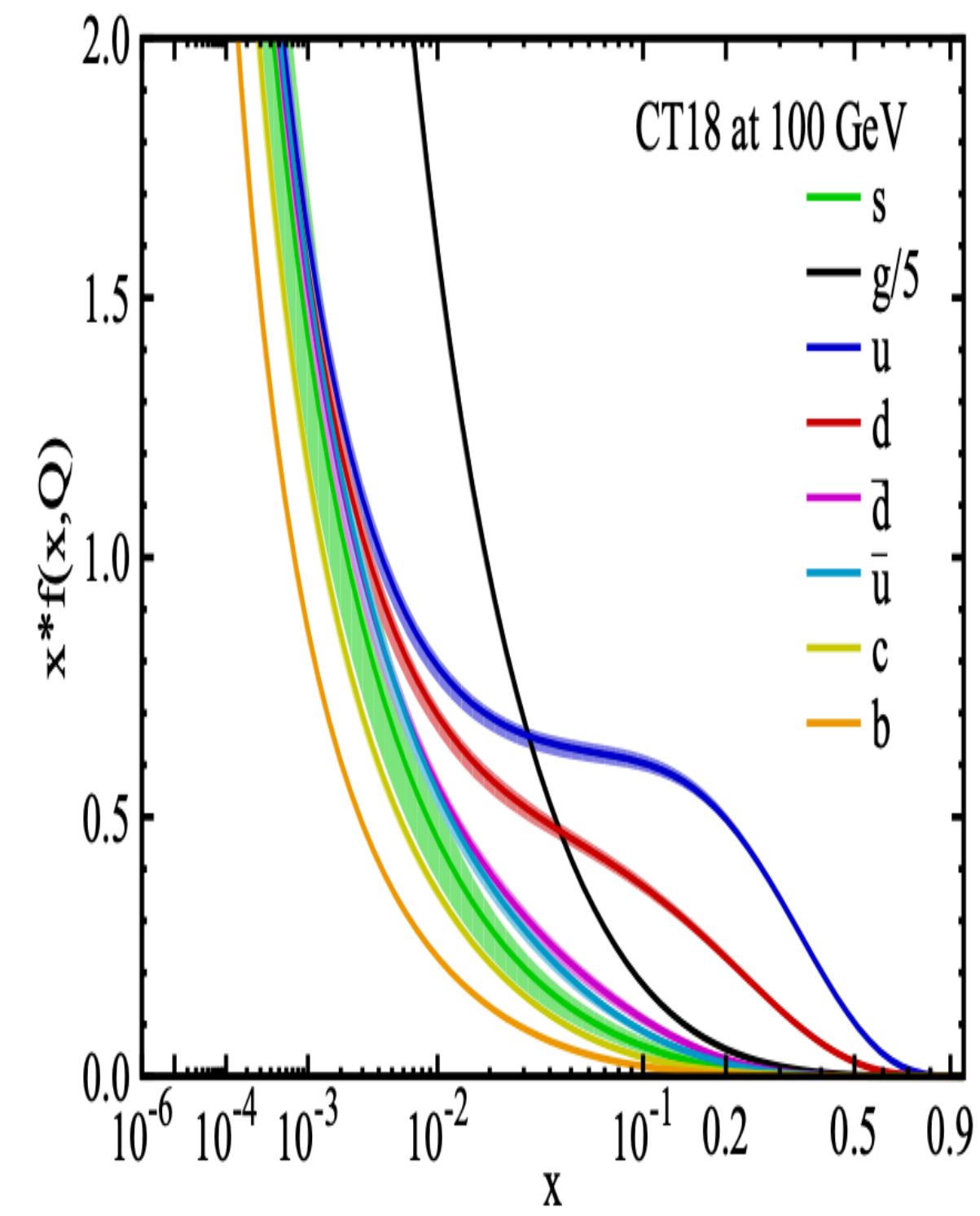
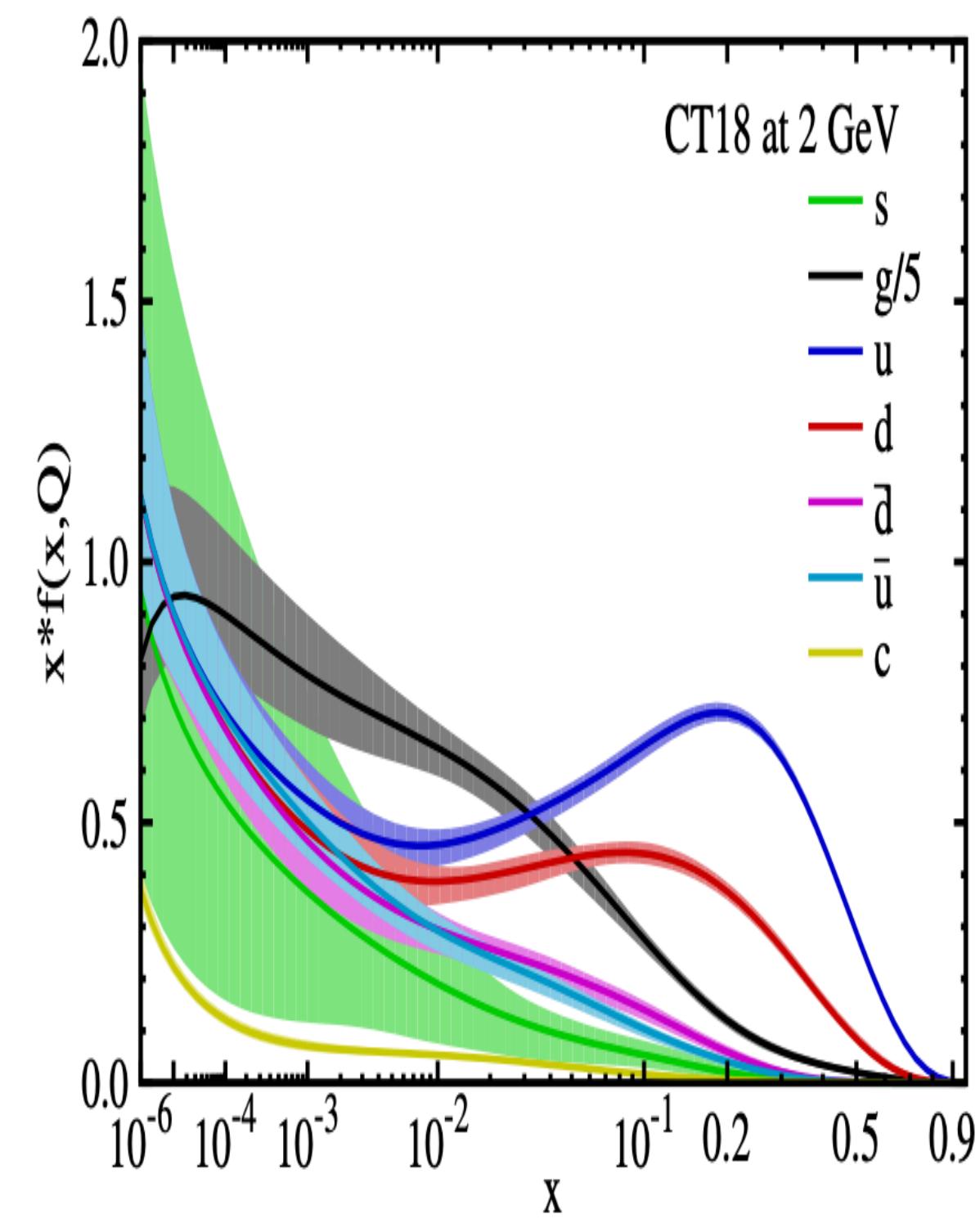


The two faces of QCD interwind together to form a full picture of QCD at the LHC

DGLAP evolution



$$\mu^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu^2} f_i(x, \mu^2) = \frac{\alpha_S(\mu^2)}{2\pi} \sum_j \int_x^1 \frac{dy}{y} f_j(y, \mu^2) P_{ij}(x/y, \alpha_S(\mu^2))$$



One loop: D. Gross, F. Wilczek, 1973 (twist operator)
Gribov, Lipatov; Altarelli, Parisi; Dokshitzer, 1976-1977

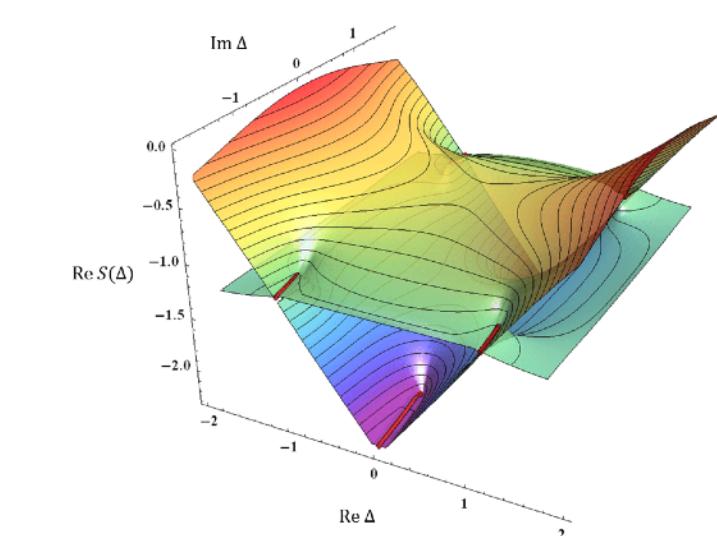
Two loops: G. Curci, W. Furmanski and R. Petronzio, 1980

Three loops: S. Moch, J. Vermaseren, A. Vogt, 2004

leading transcendentality: QCD \Rightarrow N=4 SYM

Integrability in N=4 SYM:

Towards 4 loops: S. Moch, B. Ruijl, T. Ueda, J. A. M. Vermaseren and A. Vogt: planar non-singlet



Towards DGLAP at 4 loops

Relation between twist-2 operator and DGLAP kernel

$$\gamma(n) = - \int_0^1 dx x^{n-1} P(x)$$

$$A_{ij} = \langle j(p) | O_i | j(p) \rangle \text{ with } p^2 < 0$$

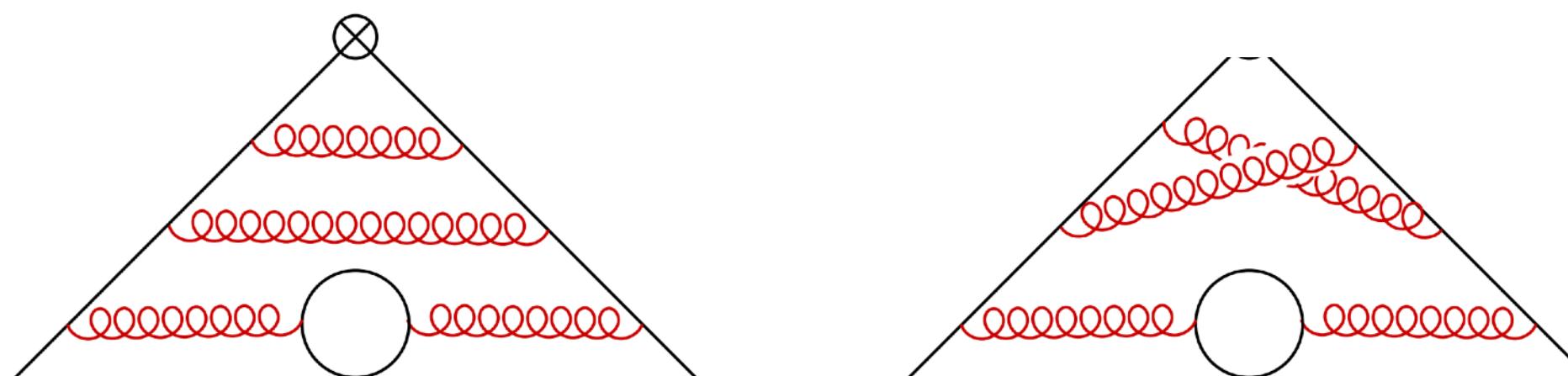
$$O_{\text{ns}}(n) = \frac{i^{n-1}}{2} \left[\bar{\psi}_{i_1} \Delta \cdot \gamma (\Delta \cdot D)_{i_1 i_2} (\Delta \cdot D)_{i_2 i_3} \cdots (\Delta \cdot D)_{i_{n-1} i_n} \frac{\lambda_k}{2} \psi_{i_n} \right], k = 3, \dots N_f^2 - 1$$

Computation with fixed moment in this way quickly explode in complexity

Turn fixed-order derivative into a generating function!

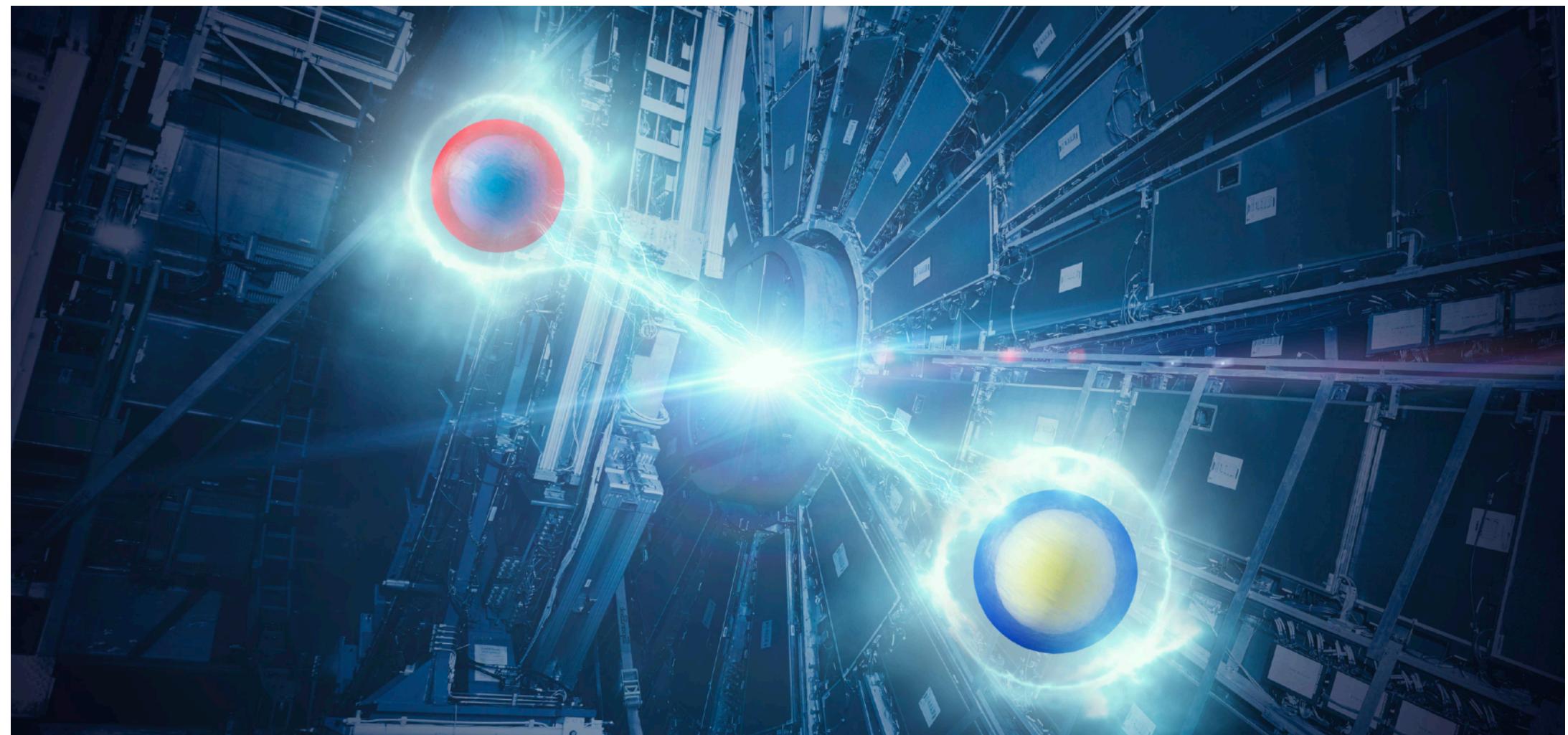
T. Gehrmann, A. von Manteuffel, V. Sotnikov, Tong-Zhi Yang, 2023

$$(\Delta \cdot p)^{n-1} \rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} t^n (\Delta \cdot p)^{n-1} = \frac{t}{1 - t \Delta \cdot p}$$



Non-planar N_f coefficient are now calculable!

Precision top quark physics

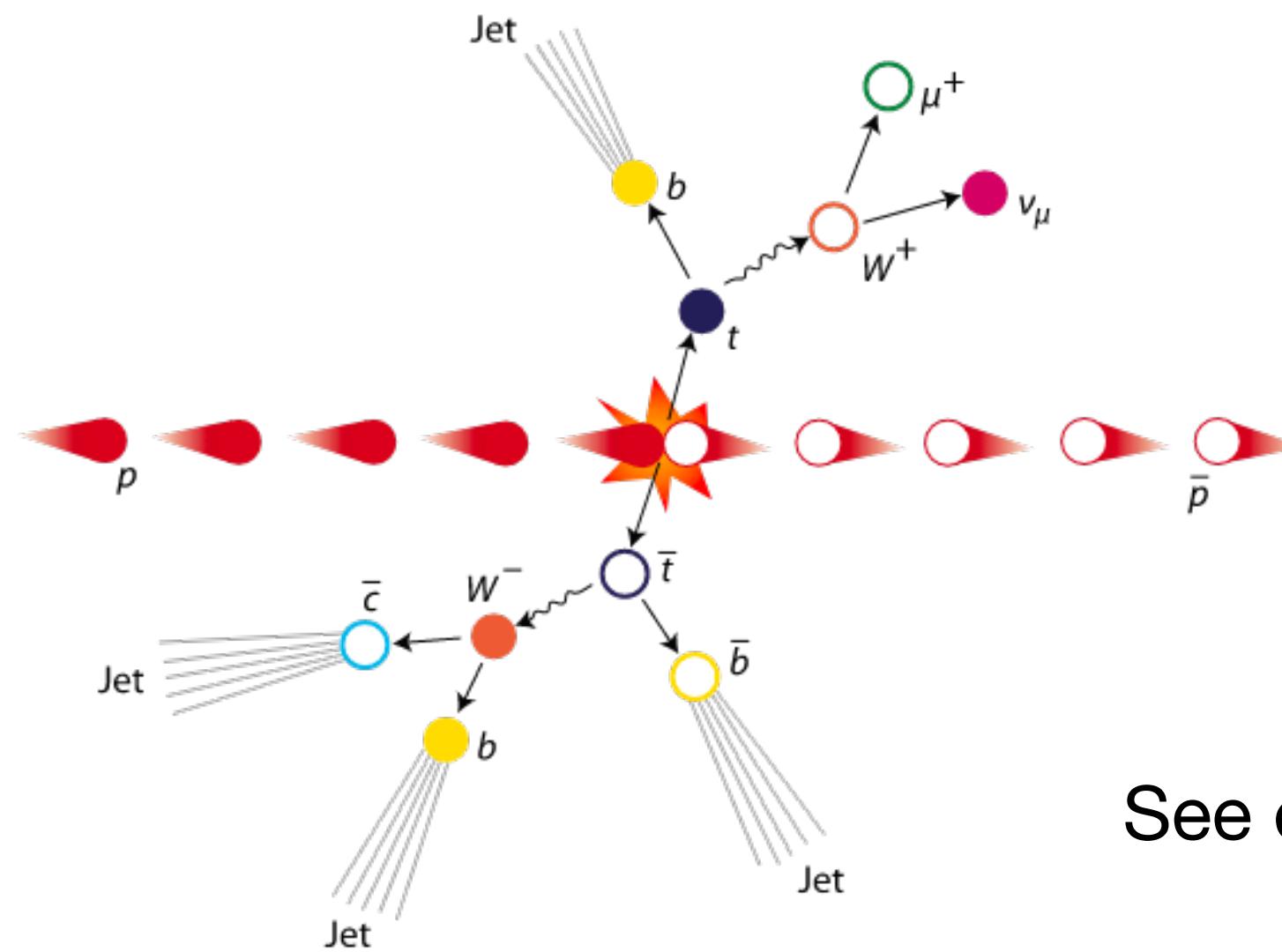


ATLAS achieves highest-energy detection of quantum entanglement

28 September 2023 | By [ATLAS Collaboration](#)

Call for production and decay of top pair to high precision!

Bernreuther, Brandenburg, Zong-Guo Si, P. Uwer, 2004



See e.g. Kun Cheng's talk

Top quark decay:

NLO: M. Jezabek and J. H. Kuhn (1989, approx.)
A. Czarnecki, (1990, approx.)
Chong Sheng Li, J. Oakes, T. C. Yuan, (1991, exact)

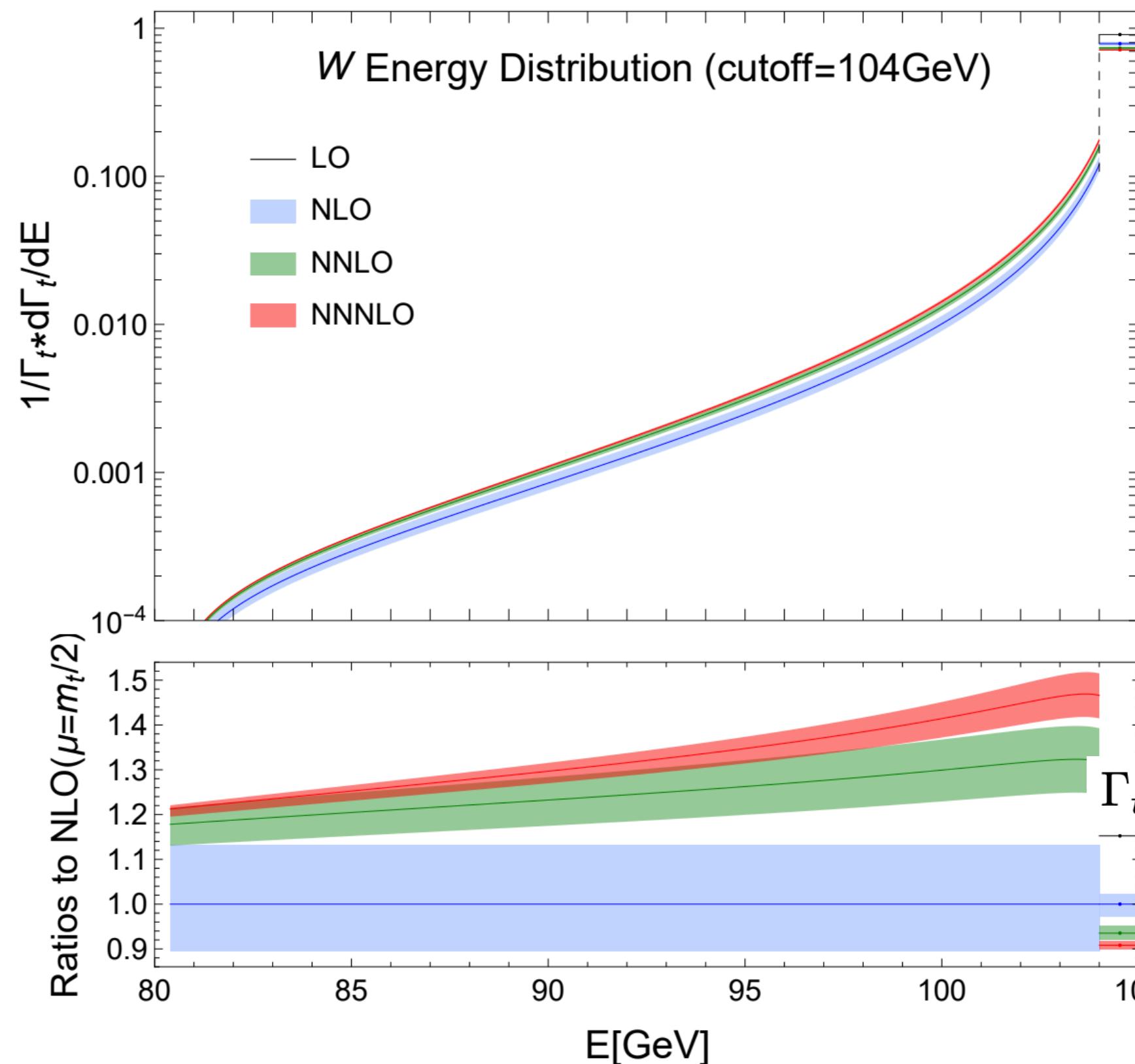
NNLO: Jun Gao, Chong Sheng Li, HXZ, 2012
M. Brucherseifer, F. Caola, and K. Melnikov 2013

Long-Bing Chen, Hai Tao Li, Jian Wang, Yefan Wang, 2022
(analytic)

Top decay at N3LO

Top-Quark Decay at Next-to-Next-to-Next-to-Leading Order in QCD

Long Chen,^{1,*} Xiang Chen,^{2,†} Xin Guan,^{2,‡} and Yan-Qing Ma^{2,3,§}



$$\Gamma_t = 1.36 \pm 0.02 \text{ (stat.)}^{+0.14}_{-0.11} \text{ (syst.) GeV}$$

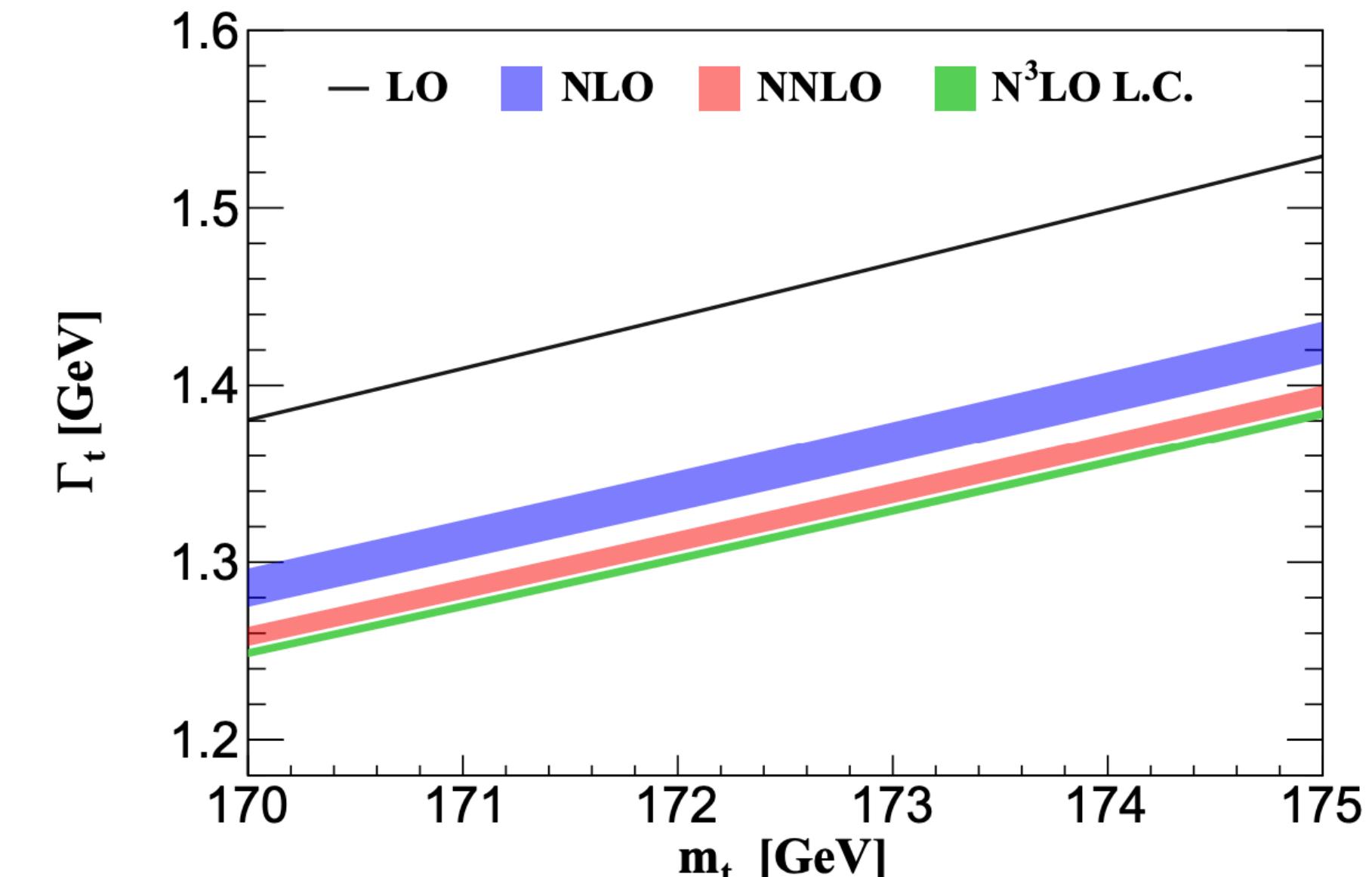
current experimental uncertainty

See also Jian Wang's talk

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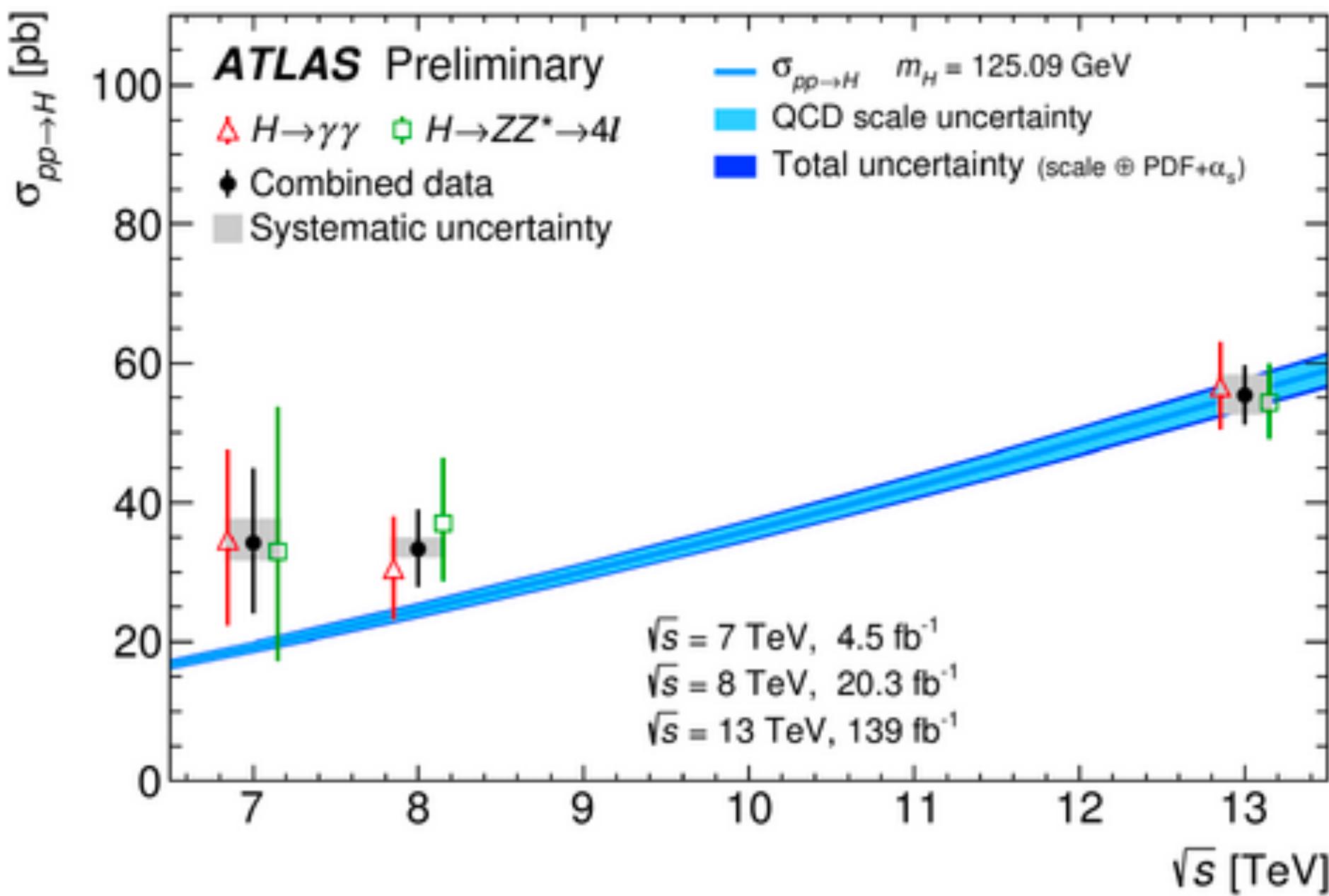
Analytic three-loop QCD corrections to top-quark and semileptonic $b \rightarrow u$ decays

Long-Bin Chen,¹ Hai Tao Li,^{2,*} Zhao Li,^{3,4,5,†} Jian Wang,^{2,‡} Yefan Wang,^{2,§} and Quan-feng Wu^{3,4,¶}

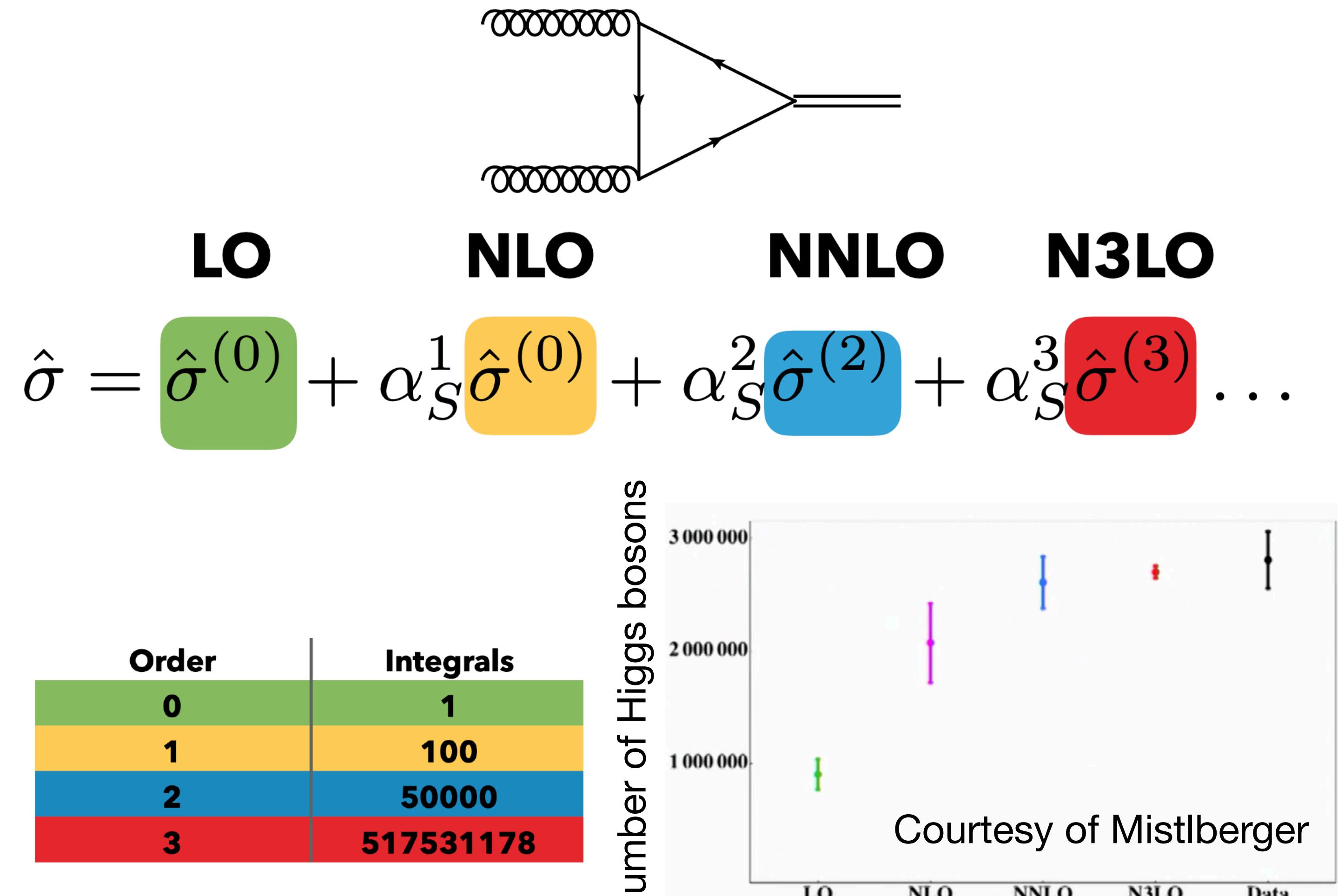


	$\delta_b^{(i)}$	$\delta_W^{(i)}$	$\delta_{EW}^{(i)}$	$\delta_{QCD}^{(i)}$	Γ_t [GeV]
LO	-0.273	-1.544	—	—	1.459
NLO	0.126	0.132	1.683	-8.575	$1.361^{+0.0091}_{-0.0130}$
NNLO	*	0.030	*	-2.070	$1.331^{+0.0055}_{-0.0051}$
N^3LO	*	0.009	*	-0.667	$1.321^{+0.0025}_{-0.0021}$

Precision Higgs production



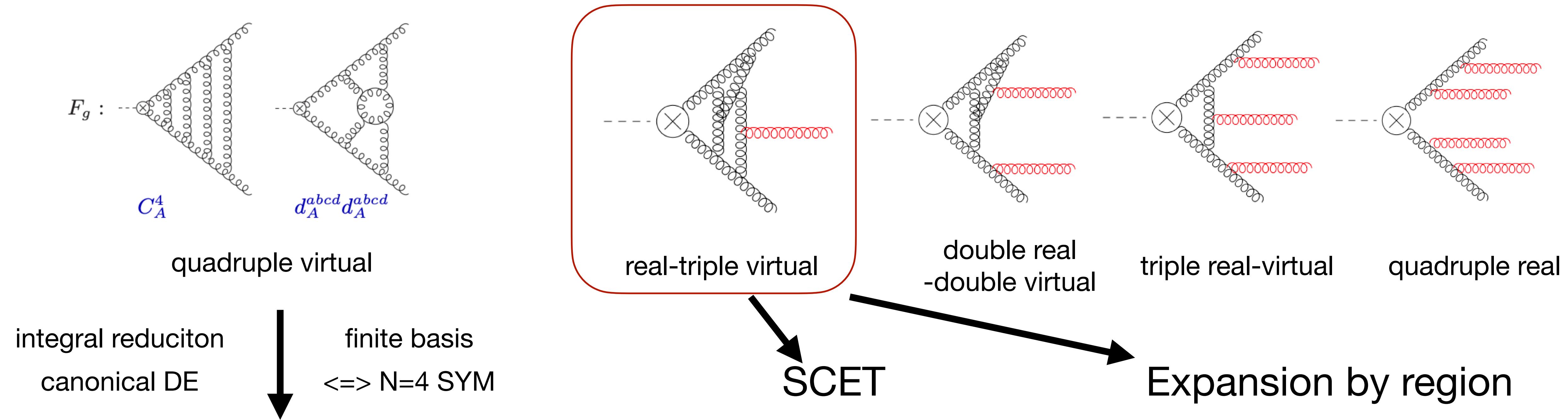
Expect ten times of more data in the full LHC run. Call for even more precise theory prediction!



B. Anastasiou, C. Duhr, F. Dulat, E. Furlan, F. Herzog, B. Mistlberger, T. Gehrmann, A. Lazopoulos, 2013-2015
B. Mistlberger, 2018

Towards Higgs production at N4LO

Anatomy of N4LO Higgs cross section near threshold



$$F_g^{(4)} \Big|_{\epsilon=0} = C_A^4 \left(-\frac{2591}{90} \zeta_{5,3} + \frac{1018949}{90} \zeta_5 \zeta_3 - \frac{35689}{27} \zeta_3^2 \zeta_2 + \frac{18282694}{7875} \zeta_2^4 - \frac{27705161}{504} \zeta_7 + \frac{1160731}{270} \zeta_5 \zeta_2 - \frac{1928564}{405} \zeta_3 \zeta_2^2 \right. \\ \left. - \frac{1296845}{1458} \zeta_3^2 - \frac{727183}{1134} \zeta_2^3 + \frac{6161623}{243} \zeta_5 - \frac{3233651}{729} \zeta_3 \zeta_2 + \frac{54443689}{14580} \zeta_2^2 + \frac{839716507}{104976} \zeta_2 - \frac{84995881}{52488} \zeta_3 + \frac{96887974603}{3779136} \right) \\ + \frac{d_A^{abcd} d_A^{abcd}}{N_A} \left(260 \zeta_{5,3} - 5092 \zeta_5 \zeta_3 - 16 \zeta_3^2 \zeta_2 - \frac{496766}{525} \zeta_2^4 - \frac{6776}{3} \zeta_7 - 5016 \zeta_5 \zeta_2 + \frac{2992}{3} \zeta_3 \zeta_2^2 + \frac{31588}{3} \zeta_3^2 \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1073972}{945} \zeta_2^3 - 6460 \zeta_5 + \frac{6752}{9} \zeta_3 \zeta_2 + \frac{24616}{45} \zeta_2^2 - \frac{4682}{27} \zeta_2 - \frac{1310}{9} + \frac{68410}{9} \zeta_3 \right) \\ + \text{contributions with closed fermion loop from Ref. [35].}$$

R. Lee, A. von Manteuffel, R. Schabinger, A. Smirnov, V. Smirnov, M. Steinhauser, 2022

Wen Chen, Ming-xing Luo,
Tong-Zhi Yang, HXZ, 2023

F. Herzog, Yao Ma, B. Mistlberger, A. Suresh, 2023

Soft photon theorem

Amplitude with two charged line emitting a soft photon

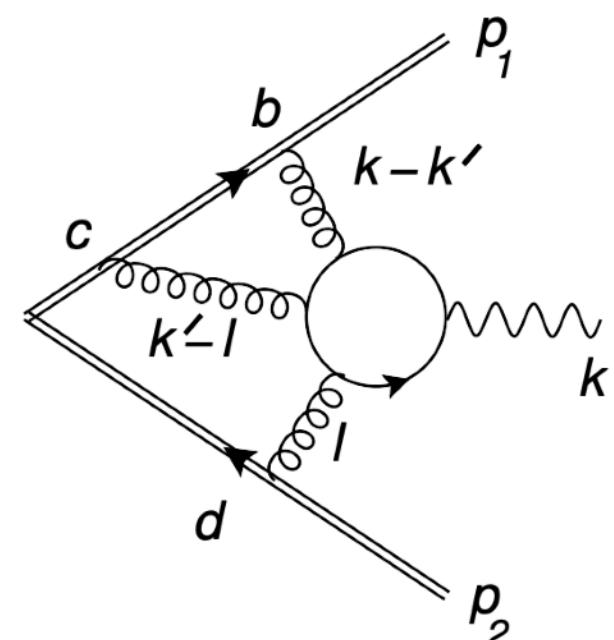
$$M_3(\{p_i\}, k, \epsilon(k)) = \sum_i \delta_i e_i \frac{p_i^\mu}{p_i \cdot k} [\epsilon_\mu(k) - (k_\mu \epsilon^\nu(k) - \epsilon_\mu(k) k^\nu) O_\nu(p_i, k)] M_2(\{p_i\})$$


It is widely believed that Weinberg's soft photon theorem is exact to all orders.

The soft photon theorem [1–5] relates the leading infrared behavior of scattering amplitudes with and without single soft photon emission

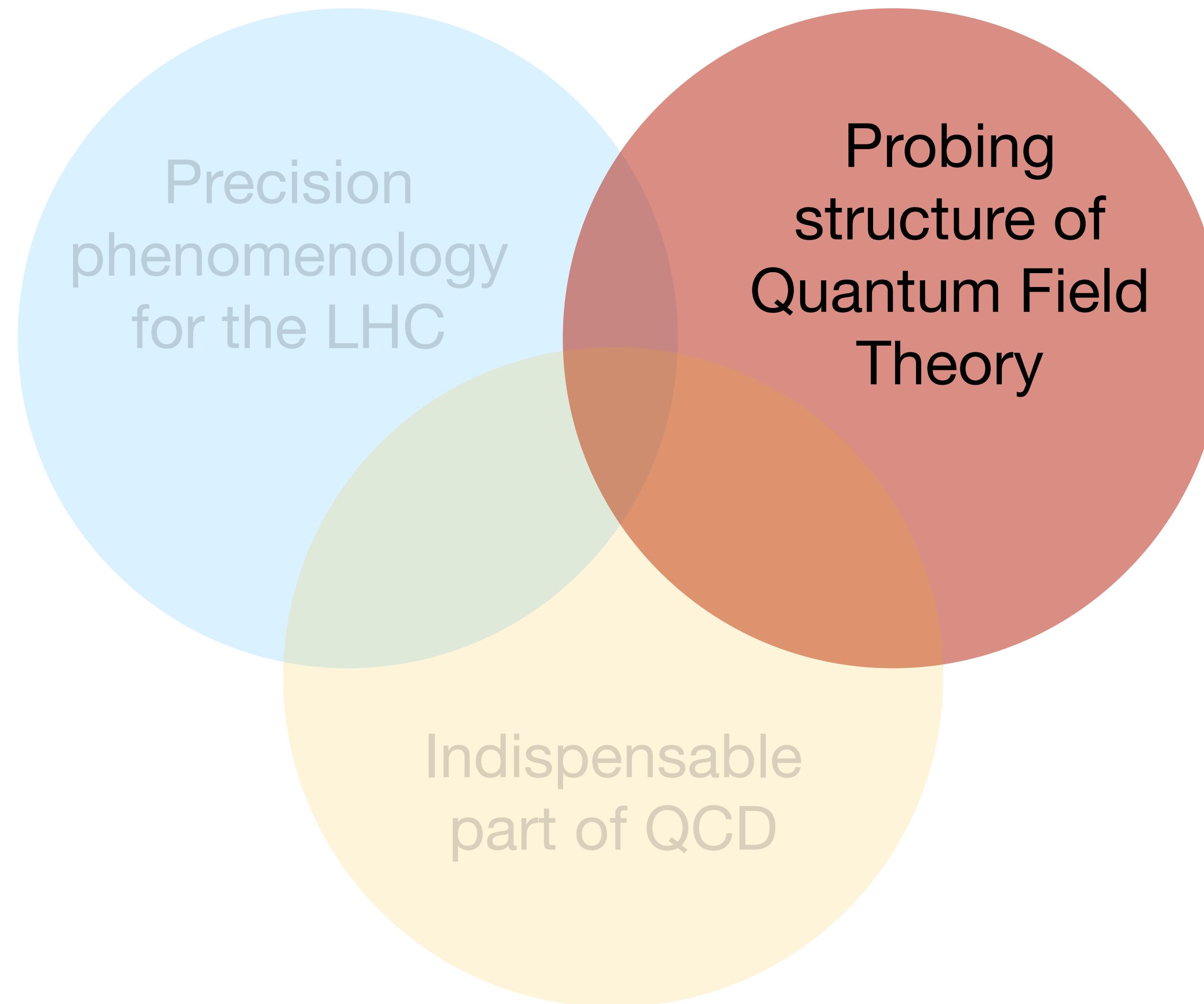
$$\langle p_{m+1}, \dots | a_\alpha(q) \mathcal{S} | p_1, \dots \rangle = S_0 \langle p_{m+1}, \dots | \mathcal{S} | p_1, \dots \rangle + \mathcal{O}(q^0) \quad (1.1)$$

where p_k is the momentum of the k th particle and a_α annihilates the momentum $q \rightarrow 0$ photon. The soft factor S_0 (equation (2.1) below) has a pole in q . The formula (1.1) is exact as long as there are no magnetic monopoles among the asymptotic particles. In this paper we argue that the general form of the relation (1.1) remains valid in the presence of monopoles, but the formula for S_0 is corrected. Electromagnetic duality transformations



But actual calculation reveals
that it's non-vanishing!

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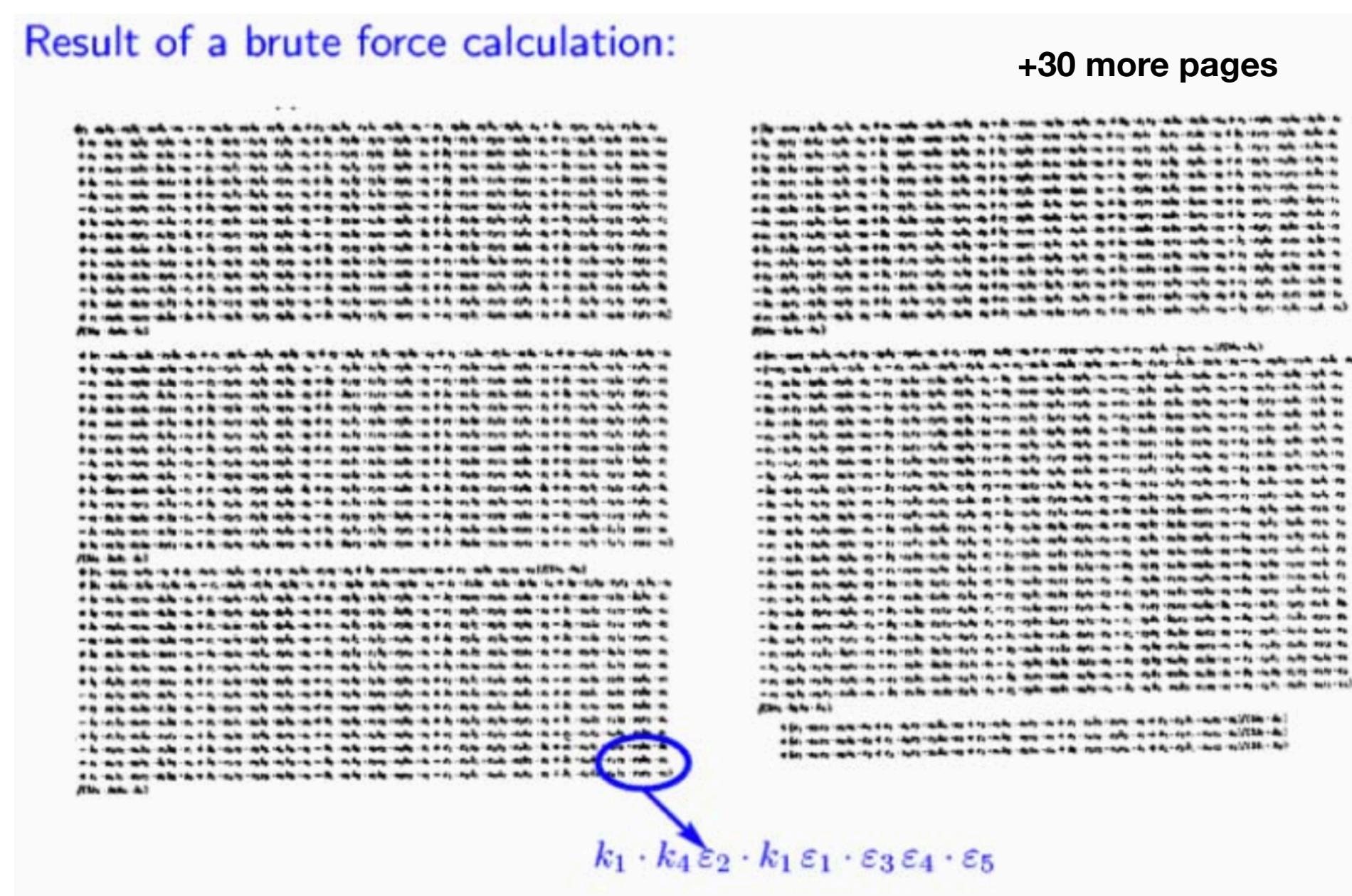


Unreasonable simplicity of Quantum Field Theory

The Chinese Magic

Zhan Xu, Da-Hua Zhang, Li Chang, 1985

Result of a brute force calculation:



$$A(1^+, 2^+, \dots, i^-, \dots, j^-, \dots, n^+) = \frac{\langle ij \rangle^4}{\langle 12 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \dots \langle n-1, n \rangle}$$

Parke, Taylor, 1988

The symbol magic

Goncharov

$$\begin{aligned} R_6^{(2)}(u_1, u_2, u_3) = & \sum_{i=1}^3 \left(L_4(x_i^+, x_i^-) - \frac{1}{2} \text{Li}_4(1 - 1/u_i) \right) \\ & - \frac{1}{8} \left(\sum_{i=1}^3 \text{Li}_2(1 - 1/u_i) \right)^2 + \frac{1}{24} J^4 + \frac{\pi^2}{12} J^2 + \frac{\pi^4}{72}. \quad (3) \end{aligned}$$

$$u_1 = \frac{s_{12}s_{45}}{s_{123}s_{345}}, \quad u_2 = \frac{s_{23}s_{56}}{s_{234}s_{123}}, \quad u_3 = \frac{s_{34}s_{61}}{s_{345}s_{234}}, \quad x_i^\pm = u_i x^\pm, \quad x^\pm = \frac{u_1 + u_2 + u_3 - 1 \pm \sqrt{\Delta}}{2u_1 u_2 u_3},$$

Correct choice of variables

$$\begin{aligned} L_4(x^+, x^-) = & \frac{1}{8!!} \log(x^+ x^-)^4 \\ & + \sum_{m=0}^3 \frac{(-1)^m}{(2m)!!} \log(x^+ x^-)^m (\ell_{4-m}(x^+) + \ell_{4-m}(x^-)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\ell_n(x) = \frac{1}{2} (\text{Li}_n(x) - (-1)^n \text{Li}_n(1/x))$$

Remarkable relation between special functions

A. Goncharov, M Spradlin, C. Vergu, A. Volovich, 2010

Special functions in Feynman integrals

Who ordered those functions?

$$\log(x) \rightarrow \text{Li}_2(x) \rightarrow \text{Li}_n(x), \text{HPL}[\{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_m\}, x] \rightarrow$$

$$K(w^2) = \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{(1-x^2)(1-w^2 x^2)}}, \quad 0 < w^2 < 1,$$

$$E(w^2) = \int_0^1 dx \sqrt{\frac{1-w^2 x^2}{1-x^2}}, \quad 0 < w^2 < 1,$$

differential equations

Tkachov, 1981

$$F(x, \epsilon) = \sum_i R_i(x, \epsilon) I_i(x, \epsilon)$$

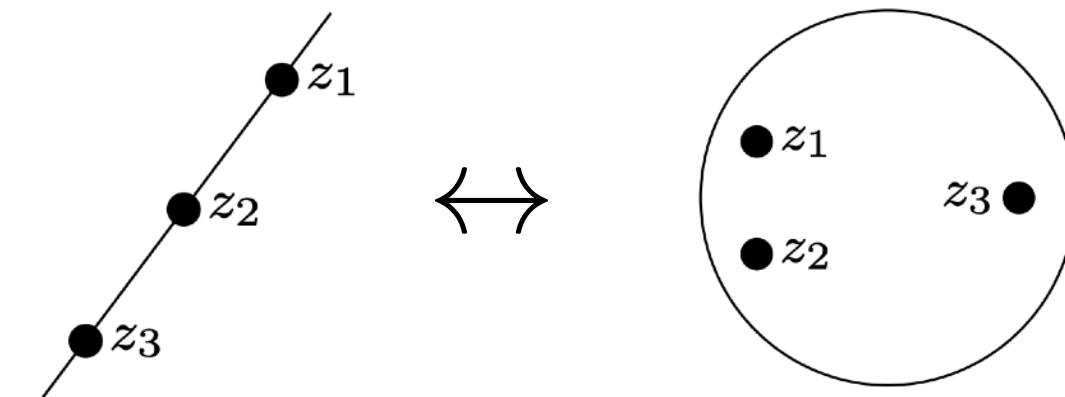
Remiddi, Gehrmann, 1999

$$\frac{d}{dx} I_i(x, \epsilon) = \sum_j A_{ij}(x, \epsilon) I_j(x, \epsilon)$$

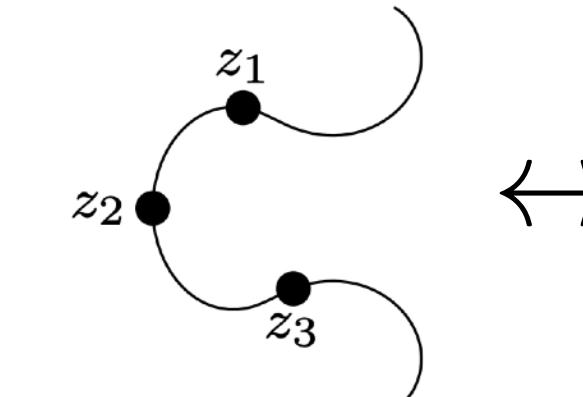
Henn, 2013

$$\frac{d}{dx} \tilde{I}_i(x, \epsilon) = \epsilon \sum_j A_{ij}(x) \tilde{I}_j(x, \epsilon)$$

$$G(z_1, \dots, z_k; \lambda) = \int_0^\lambda \frac{d\lambda_1}{\lambda_1 - z_1} \int_0^{\lambda_1} \frac{d\lambda_2}{\lambda_2 - z_2} \dots \int_0^{\lambda_{k-1}} \frac{d\lambda_k}{\lambda_k - z_k}, \quad z_k \neq 0$$

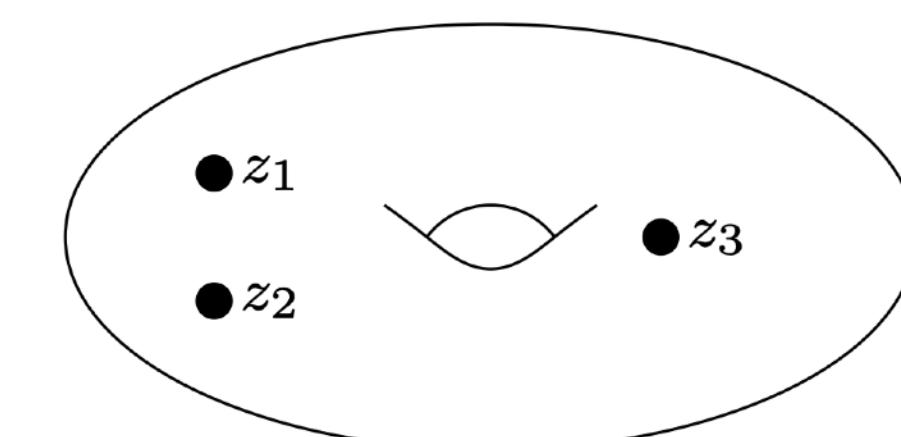


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genus 1 complex curve

Geometry

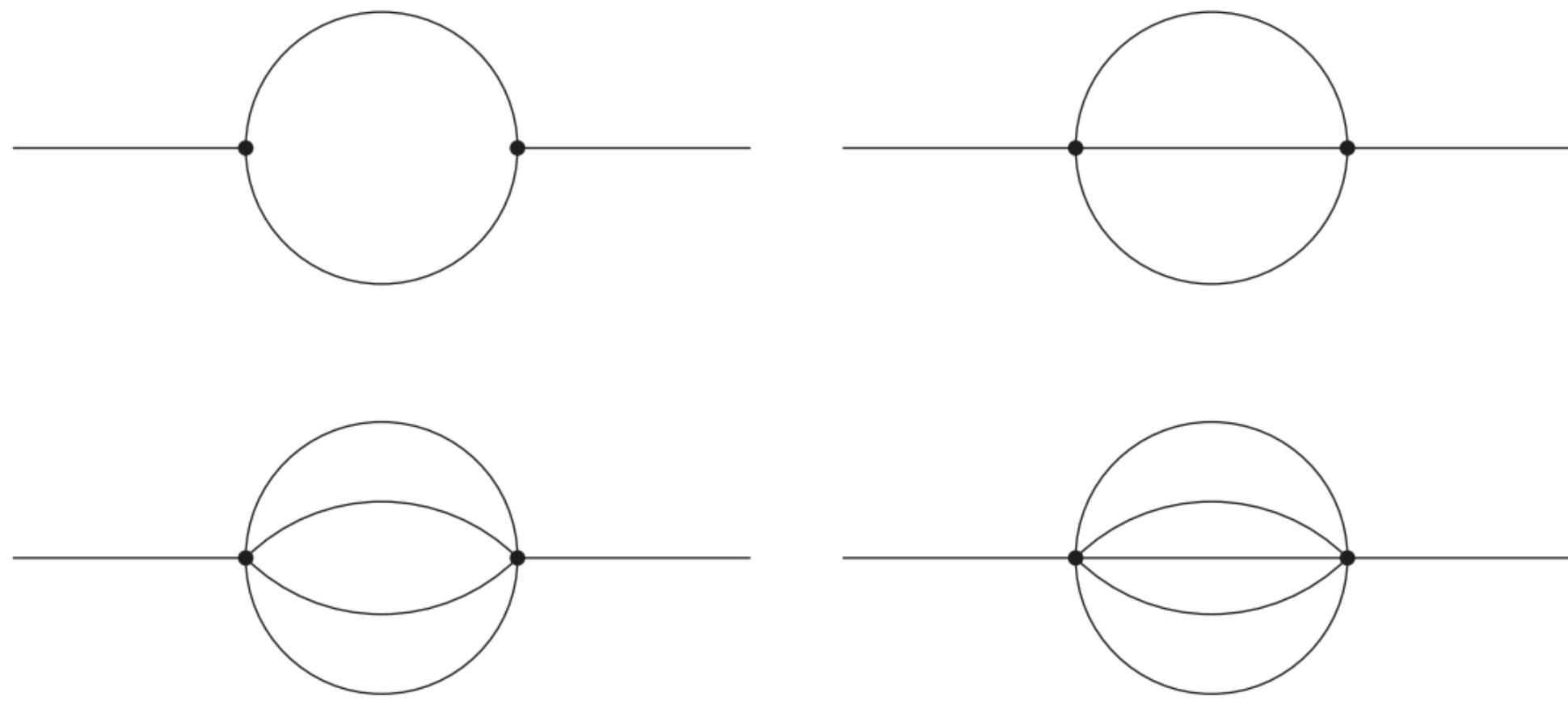


higher genus curve

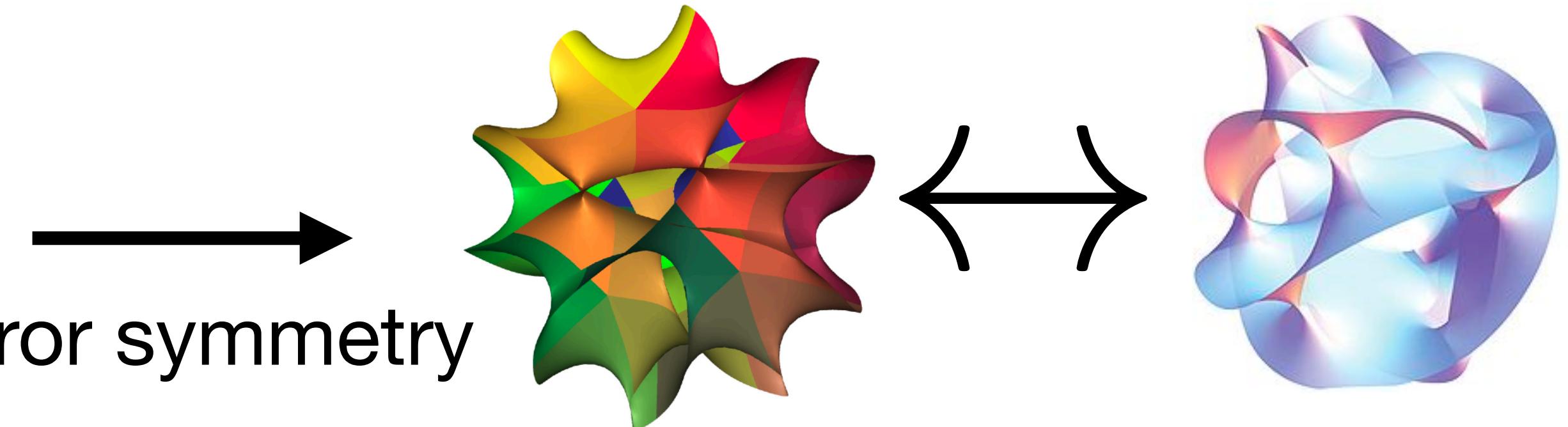
higher dimensional varieties

Calabi-Yau manifolds

banana integrals up to four loops



mirror symmetry



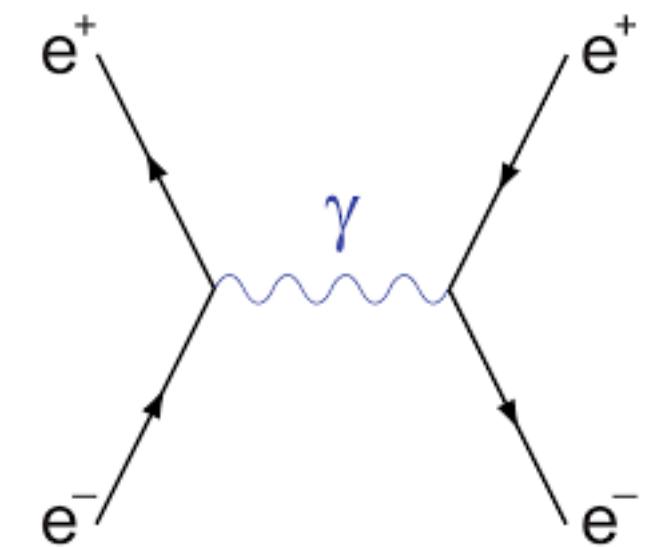
$$\theta = q \frac{d}{dq}$$

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$l = 1 :$	θ
$l = 2 :$	$\theta \cdot \theta$
$l = 3 :$	$\theta \cdot \theta \cdot \theta$
$l = 4 :$	$\theta \cdot \theta \cdot \frac{1}{Y_2} \cdot \theta \cdot \theta$
$l = 5 :$	$\theta \cdot \theta \cdot \frac{1}{Y_2} \cdot \theta \cdot \frac{1}{Y_2} \cdot \theta \cdot \theta$
$l = 6 :$	$\theta \cdot \theta \cdot \frac{1}{Y_2} \cdot \theta \cdot \frac{1}{Y_3} \cdot \theta \cdot \frac{1}{Y_2} \cdot \theta \cdot \theta$
$l = 7 :$	$\theta \cdot \theta \cdot \frac{1}{Y_2} \cdot \theta \cdot \frac{1}{Y_3} \cdot \theta \cdot \frac{1}{Y_3} \cdot \theta \cdot \frac{1}{Y_2} \cdot \theta \cdot \theta$

$$J \frac{d}{dy} M = \varepsilon \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & F_{11} & 1 & 0 & 0 & & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & F_{21} & F_{22} & Y_2 & 0 & & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & F_{31} & F_{32} & F_{33} & Y_3 & & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & & & & & \ddots & & \vdots \\ 0 & F_{(l-2)1} & F_{(l-2)2} & F_{(l-2)3} & F_{(l-2)4} & \dots & Y_{l-2} & 0 \\ 0 & F_{(l-1)1} & F_{(l-1)2} & F_{(l-1)3} & F_{(l-1)4} & \dots & F_{(l-1)(l-1)} & 1 \\ * & * & * & * & * & \dots & * & * \end{pmatrix} M.$$

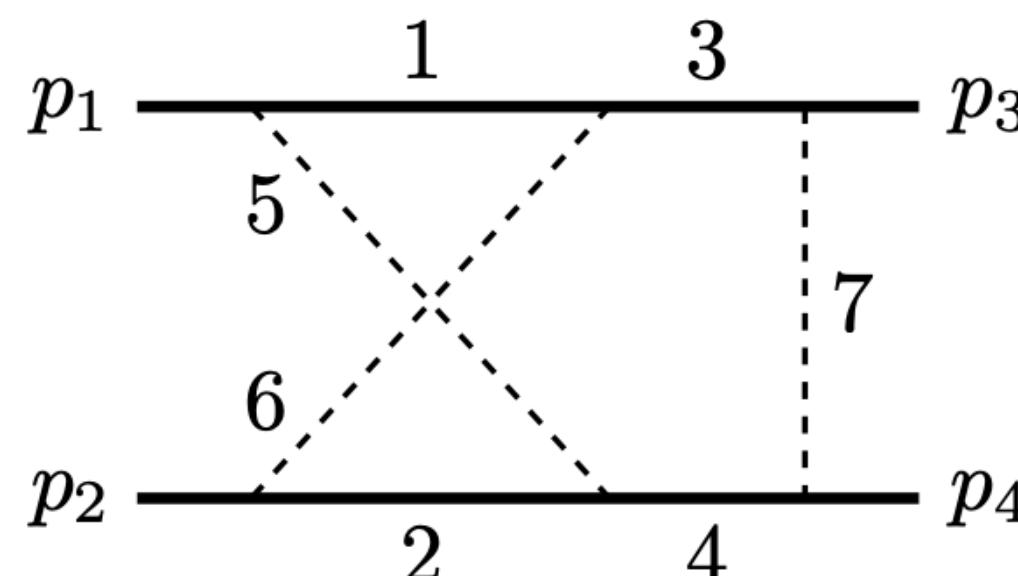
All loops iterated solution of banana integrals!

Bhabha and Moller scattering



relevant for LEP
luminosity calibration

Bhabha scattering



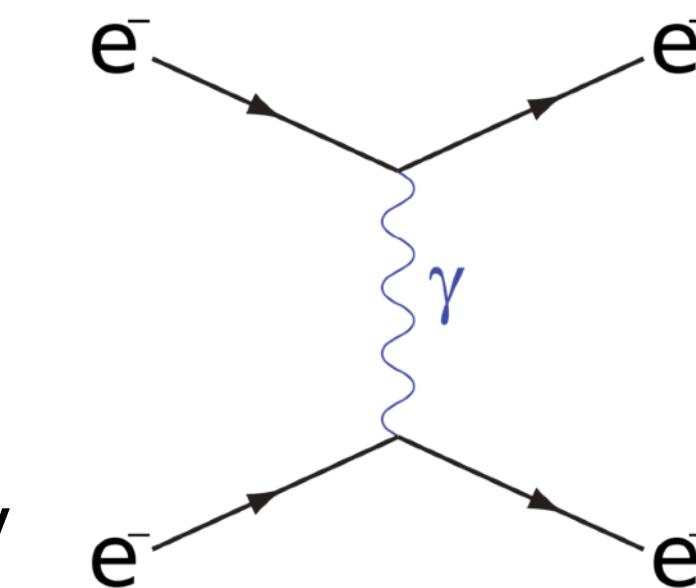
alphabet in
differential equation

$$\{\sqrt{x^2 - 1}, \sqrt{x^2 - t_4}, \sqrt{1 + t_4}, \sqrt{t_4}, \sqrt{1 - t_4}\}$$

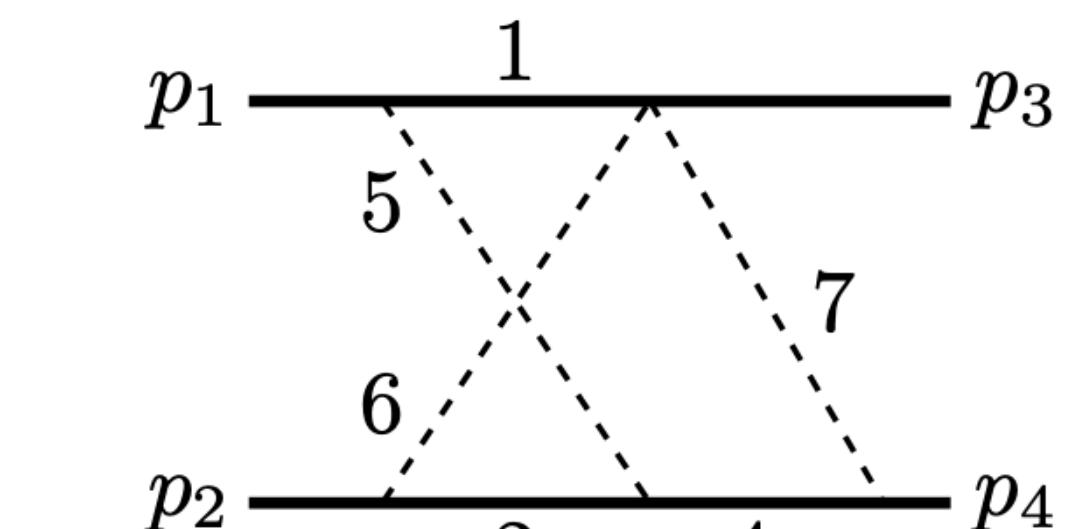
$$\mathcal{F}(x, t_4) = K(t_4) \partial_{t_4} \left[\frac{1}{K(t_4)} \int_{-1}^x \frac{dx}{\sqrt{(X^2 - 1)(X^2 - t_4)}} \right]$$

Two most familiar process in QFT 101

relevant for PRad II
exp. theory uncertainty

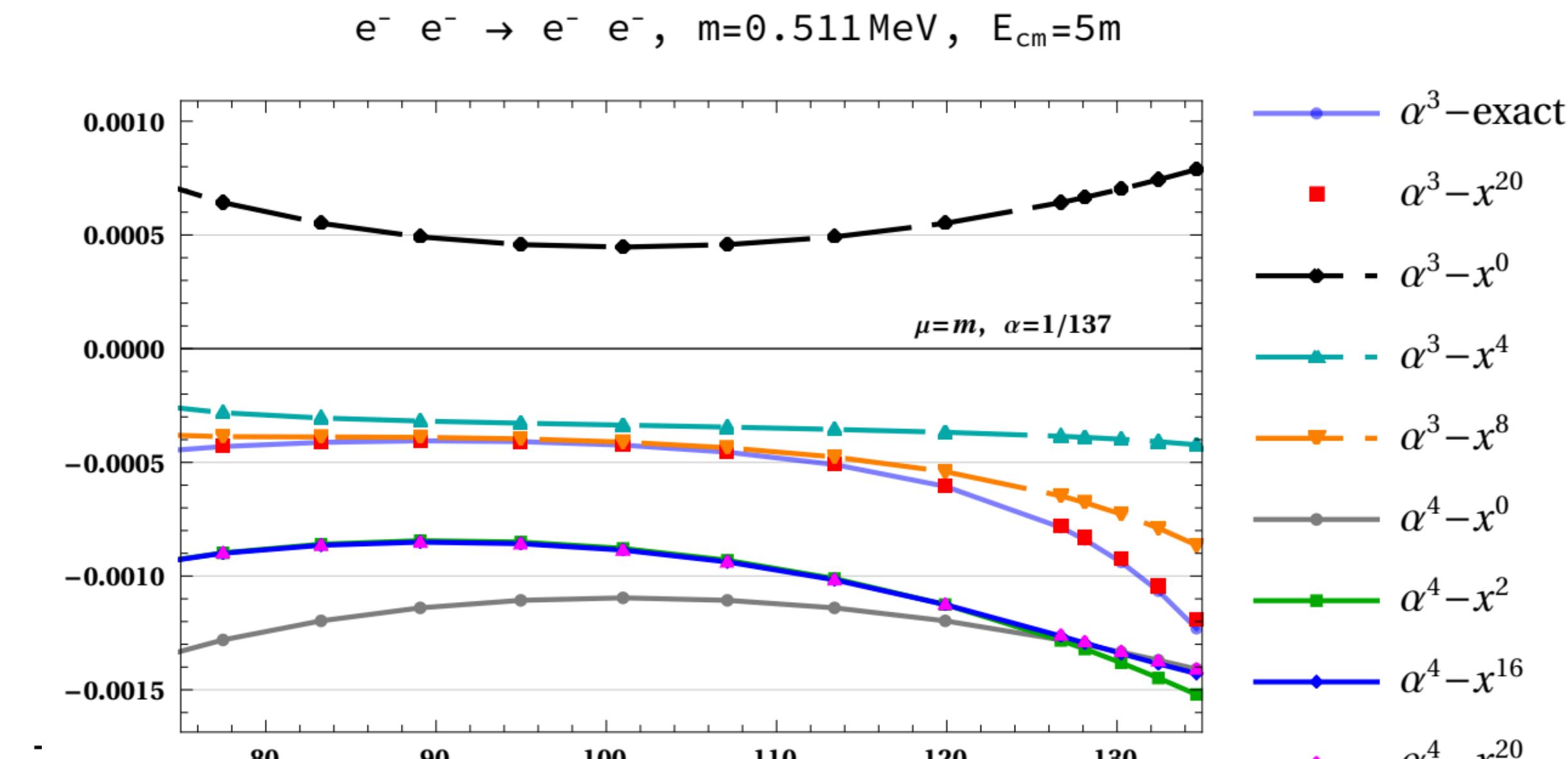


Moller scattering

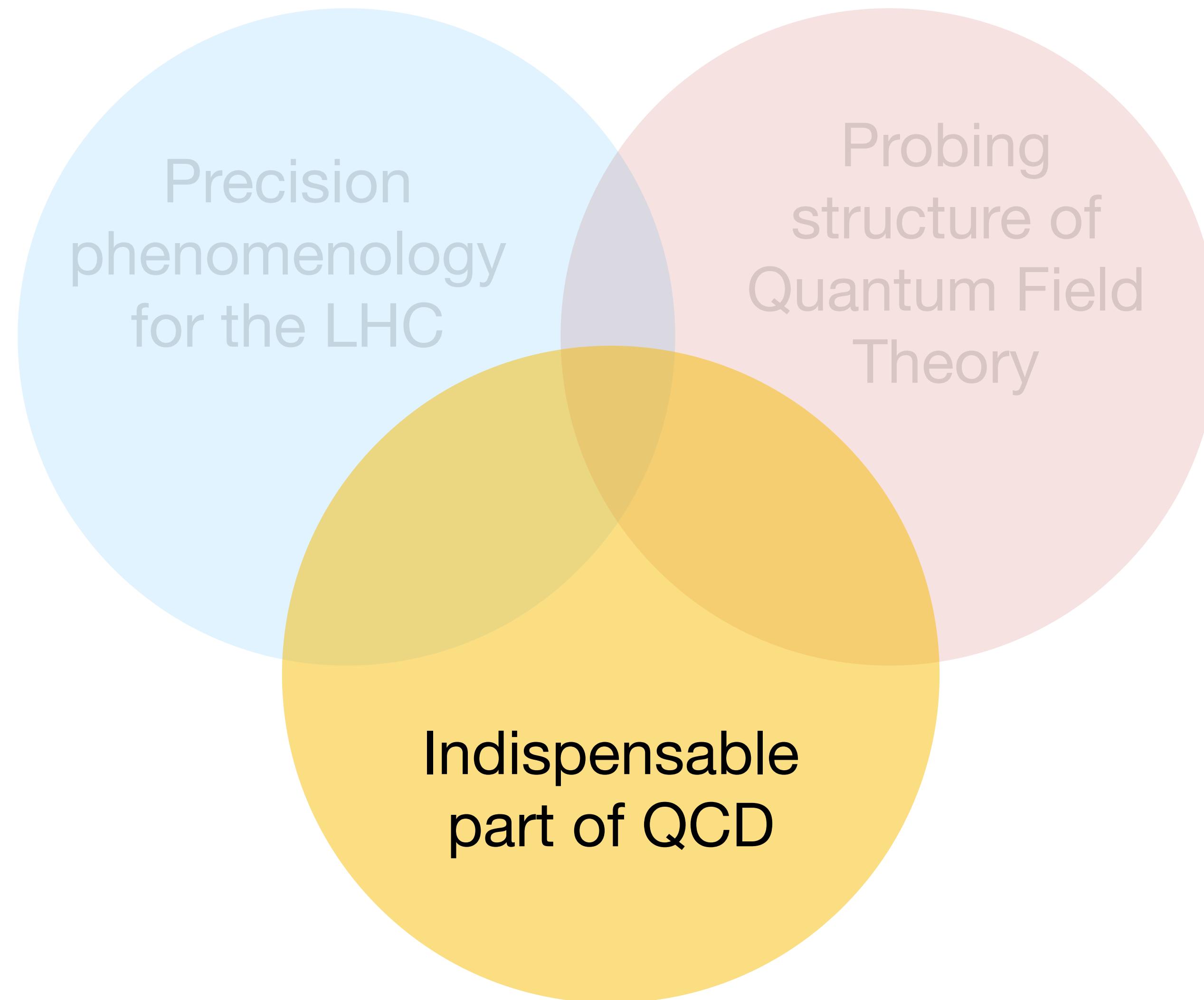


$$K(k') \equiv \int_0^1 \frac{dt}{\sqrt{(1-t^2)(1-k'^2 t^2)}}$$

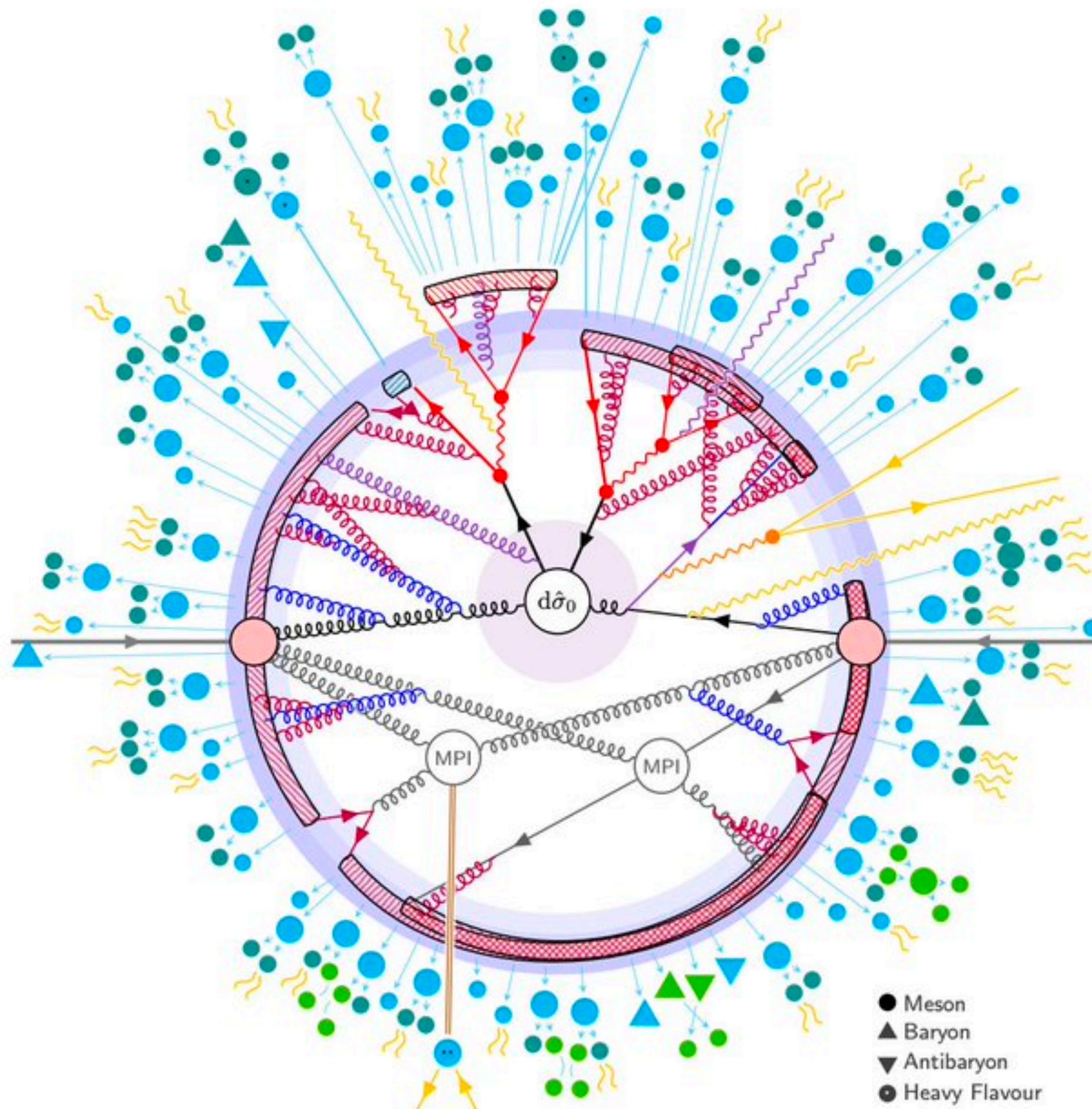
$$\partial_{t_4} f = 2 \frac{1-t_4}{\sqrt{t_4(1+t_4)^{3/2}}} K(t_4)$$



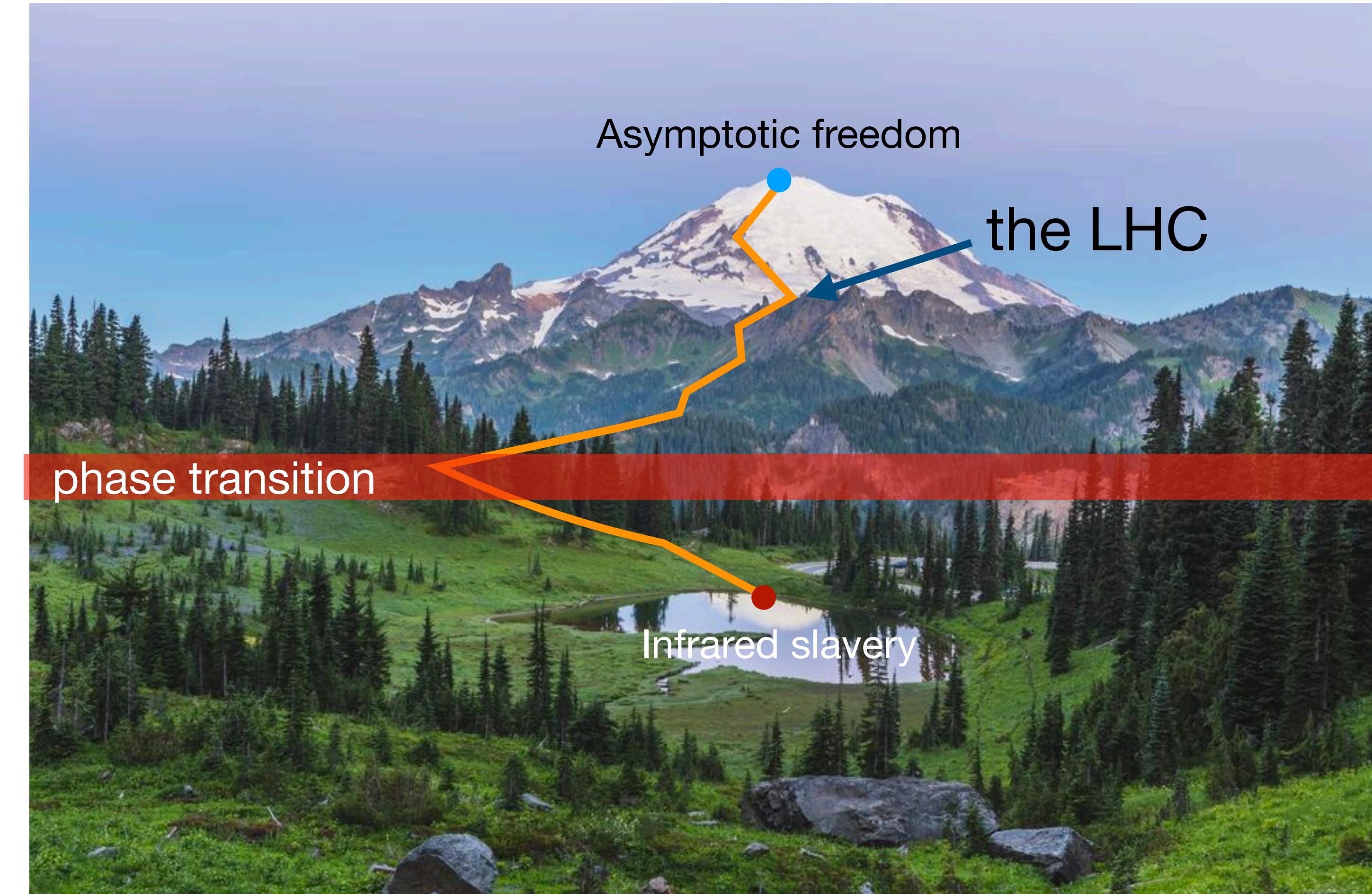
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RG flow of QCD probed by the LHC



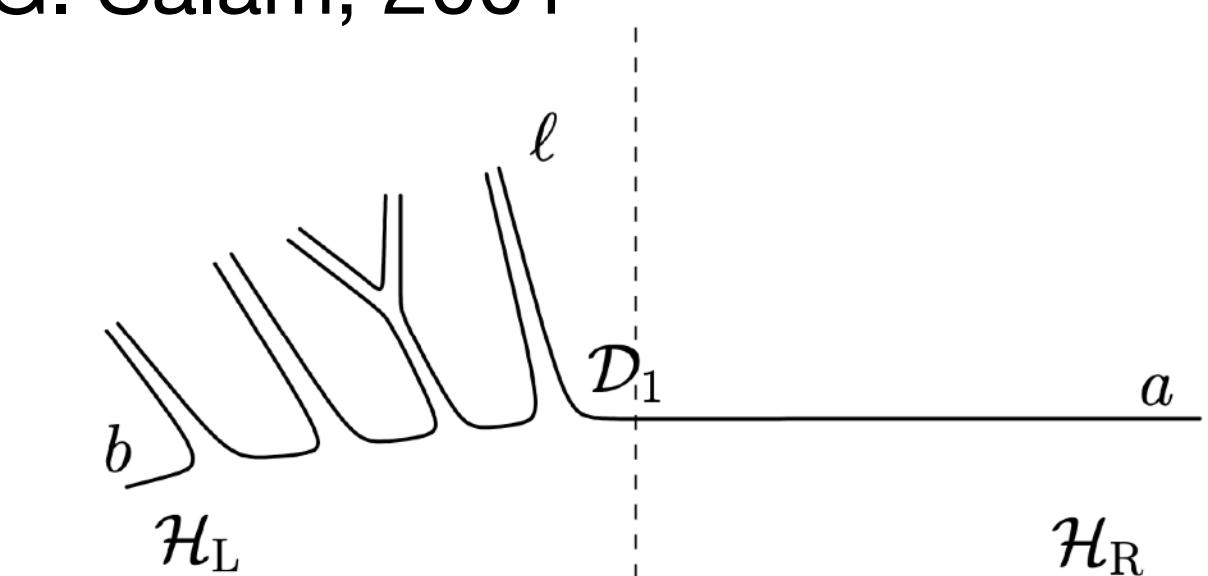
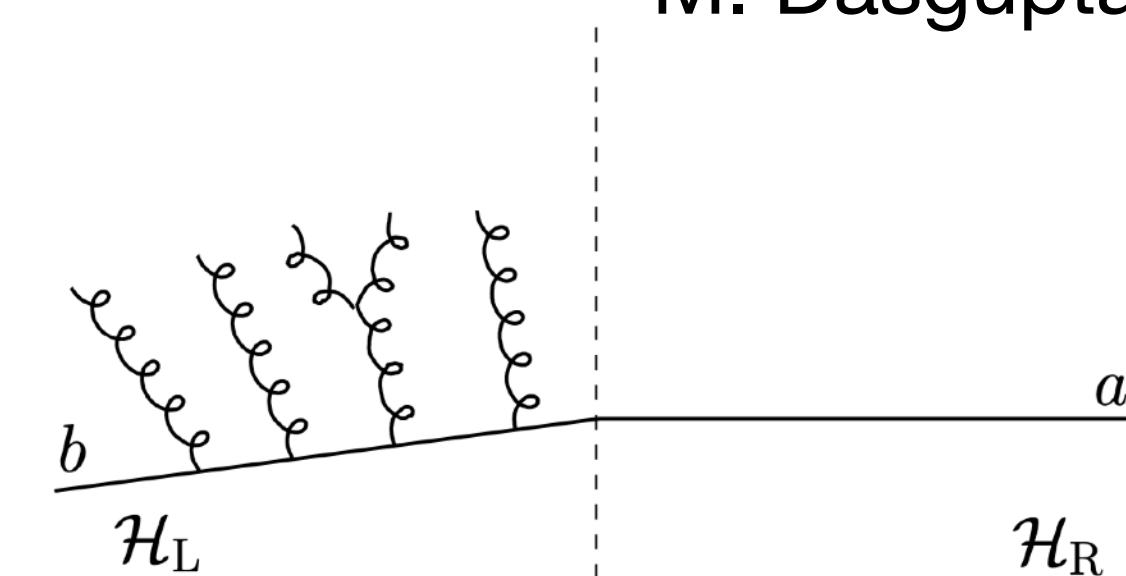
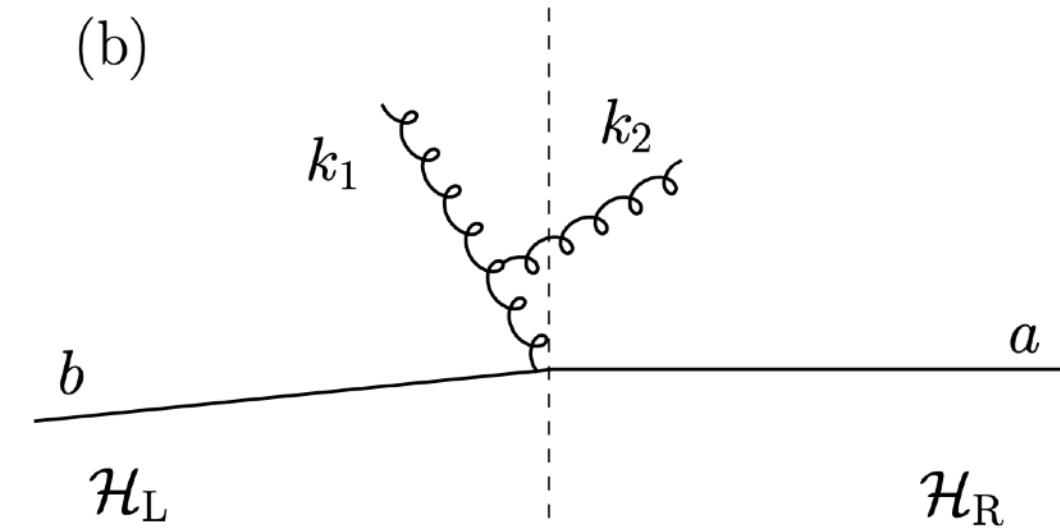
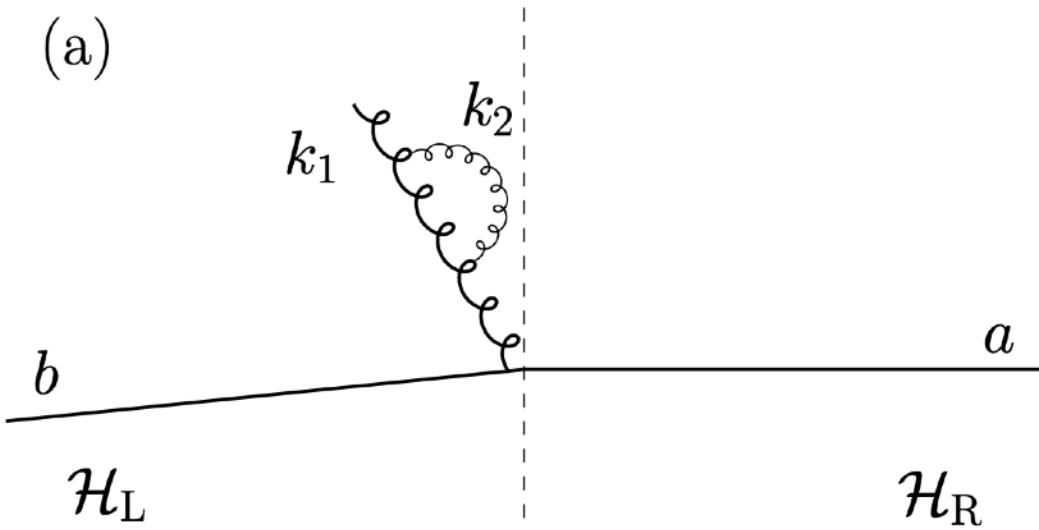
from Pythia event generator



Spectacular view along the journey from UV to IR!

The non-global world

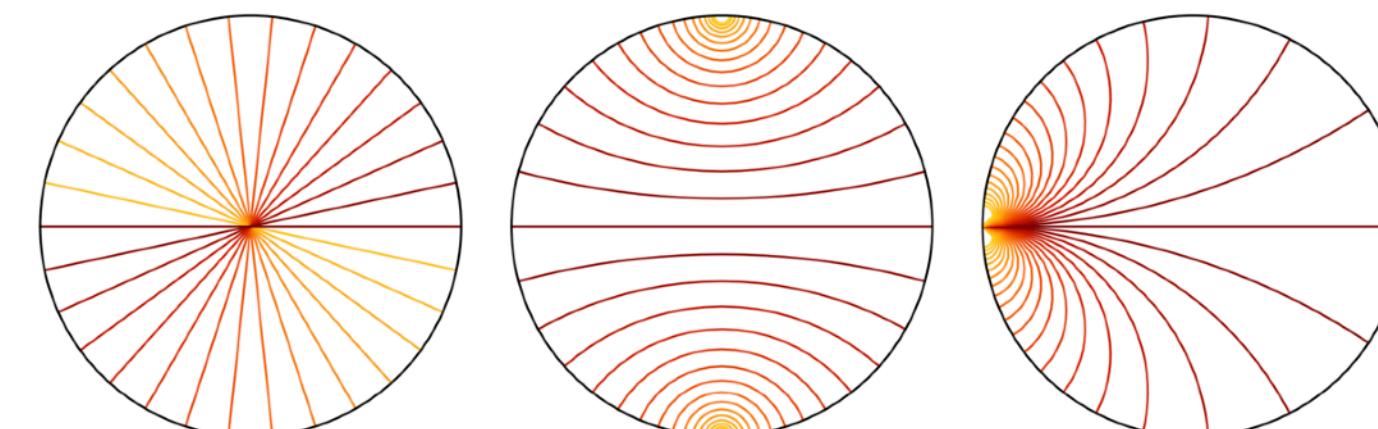
light jet mass distribution



M. Dasgupta , G. Salam, 2001

Banfi-Marchesini-Syme
equation

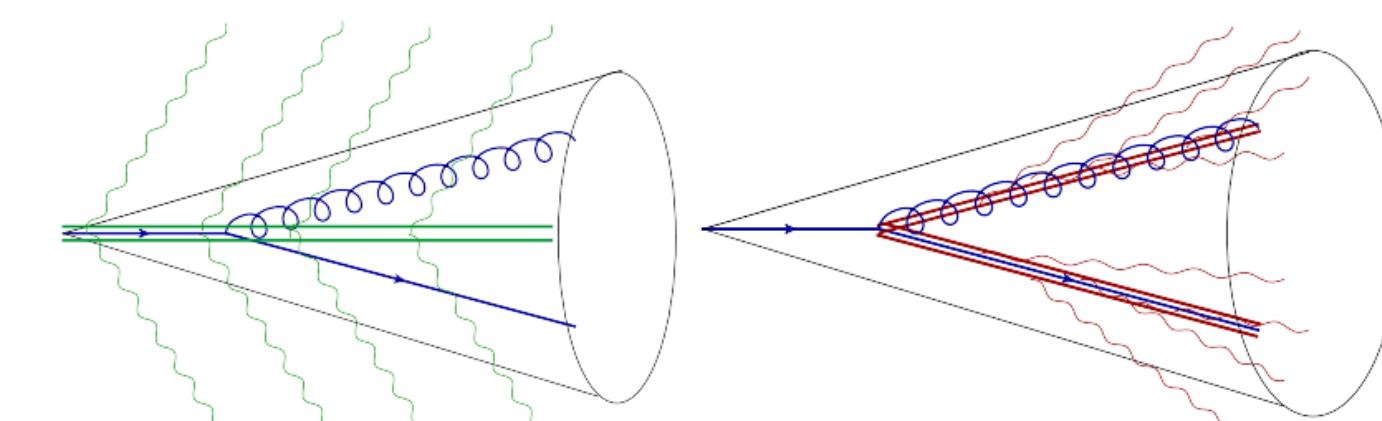
$$\partial_L G_{ab}(L) = \int \frac{d\Omega_j}{4\pi} \frac{1 - \cos \theta_{ab}}{(1 - \cos \theta_{aj})(1 - \cos \theta_{jb})} \left[\theta_L(j) G_{aj}(L) G_{jb}(L) - G_{ab}(L) \right]$$



Conformal symmetry of BMS equation
Y. Hatta, T. Ueda, 2013

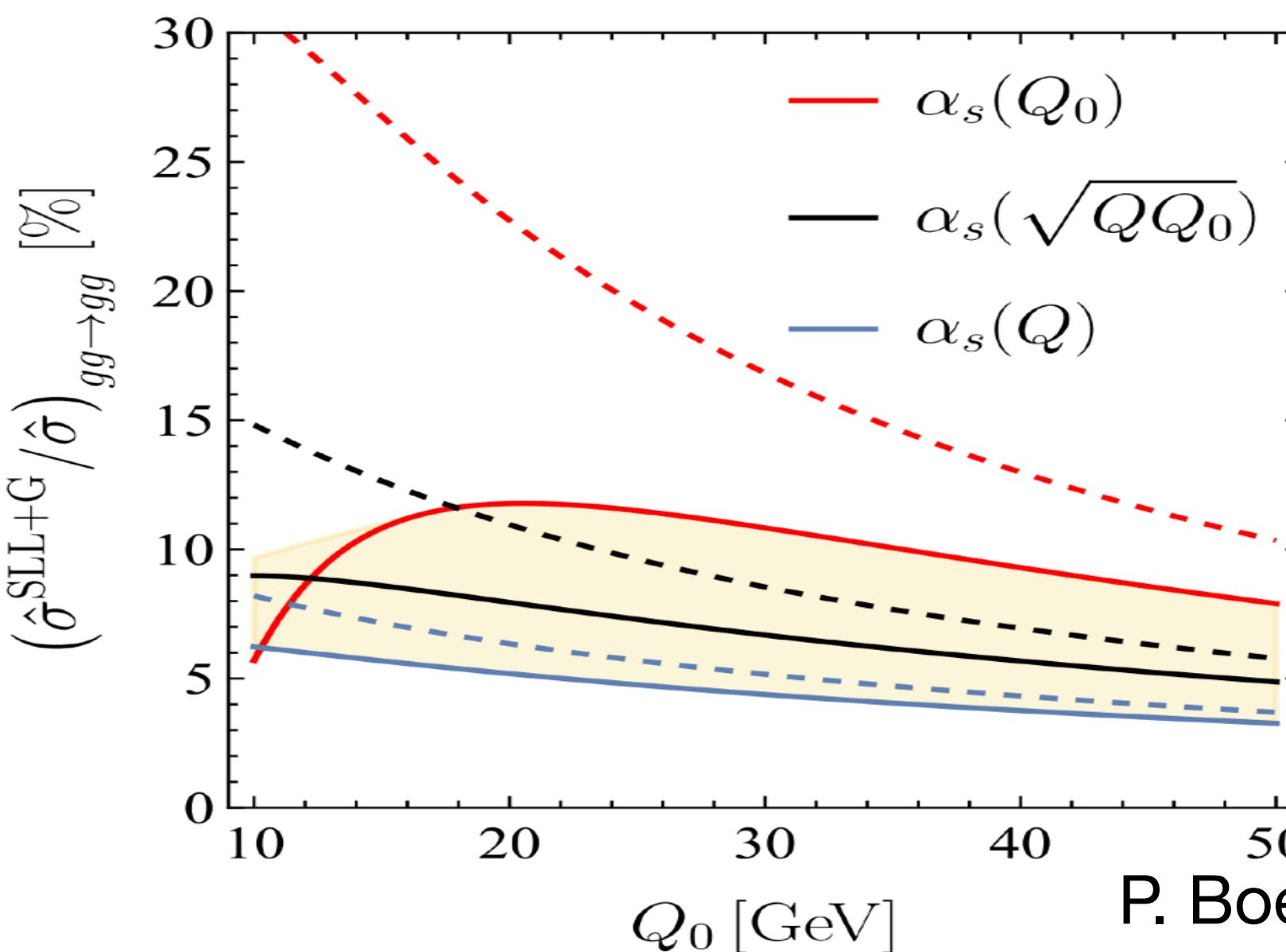
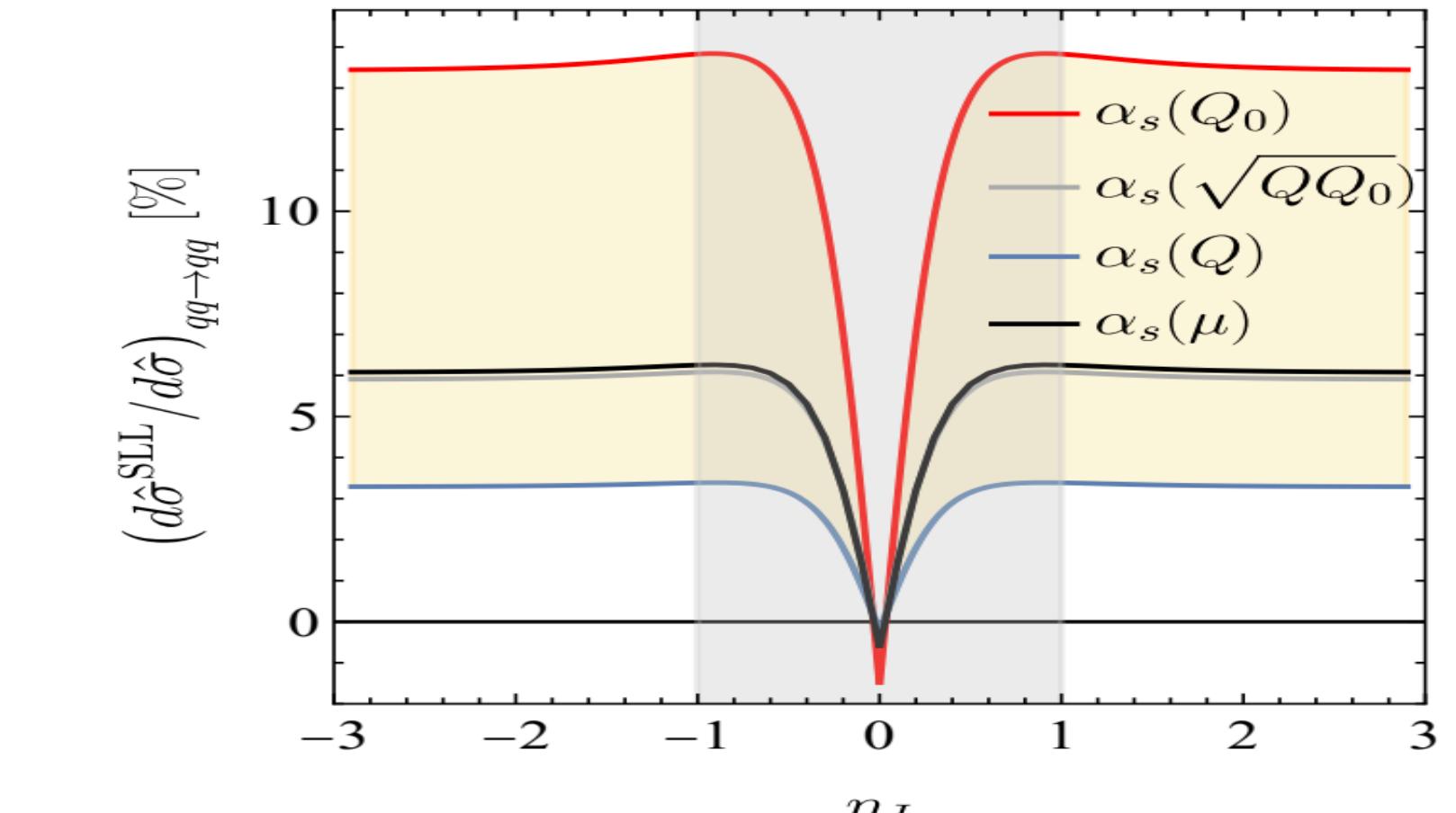
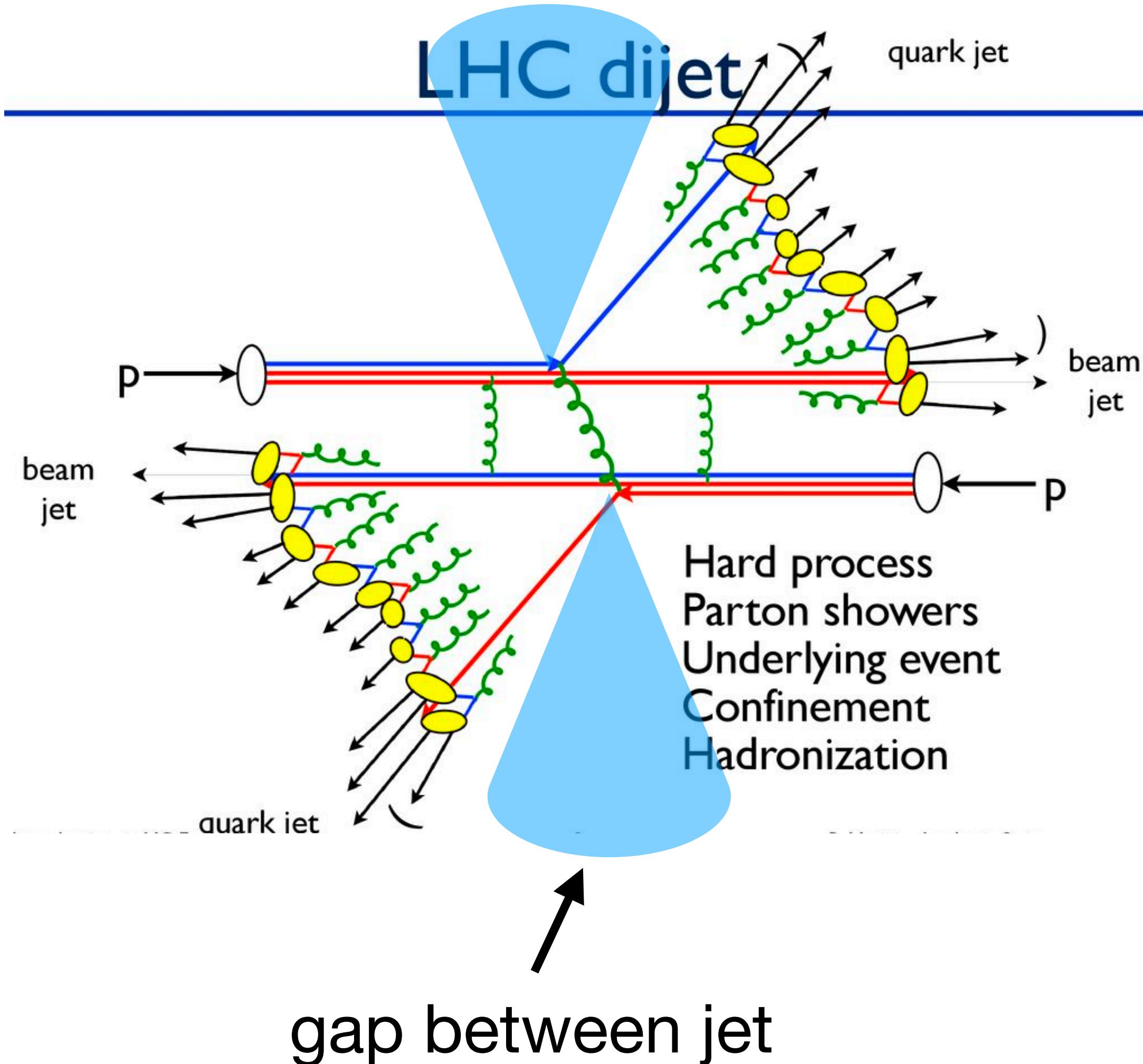
Five-loop perturbative solution:
M. Schwartz, HXZ, 2014

Effective field theory for non-global logarithms:
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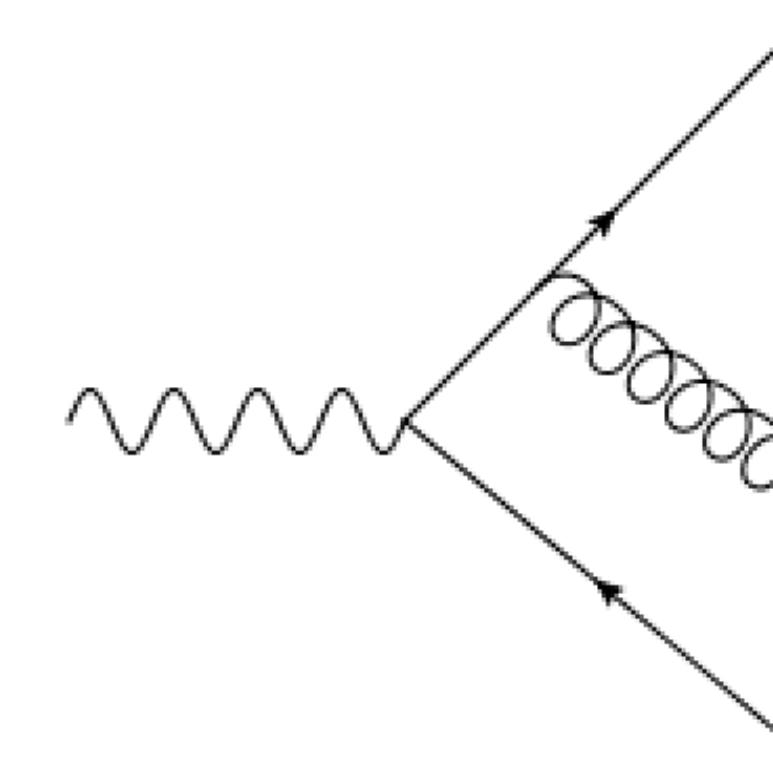
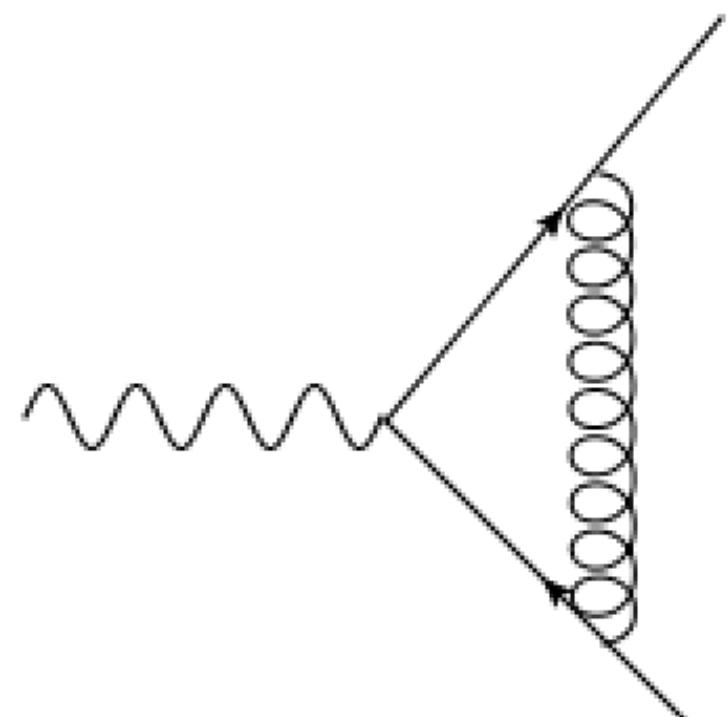


Two contracted indices		Four contracted indices	
$A_{2,F}^{(j)}$	$(F_1 - F_2) \cdot T_j$	$A_{4,F,\Delta}^{(j)}$	$(F_1^a \Delta_2^{ab} - 1 \leftrightarrow 2) T_j^b$
$A_{2,D}^{(j)}$	$(D_1 - D_2) \cdot T_j$	$A_{4,F,\nabla}^{(j)}$	$(F_1^a \nabla_2^{ab} - 1 \leftrightarrow 2) T_j^b$
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Five contracted indices			
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Extending the space flat-space observable

QFT 101: gauge theory amplitude not observable;
cross section are



But cross section are not the only observable;

correlation function of asymptotic lightray operators are also finite

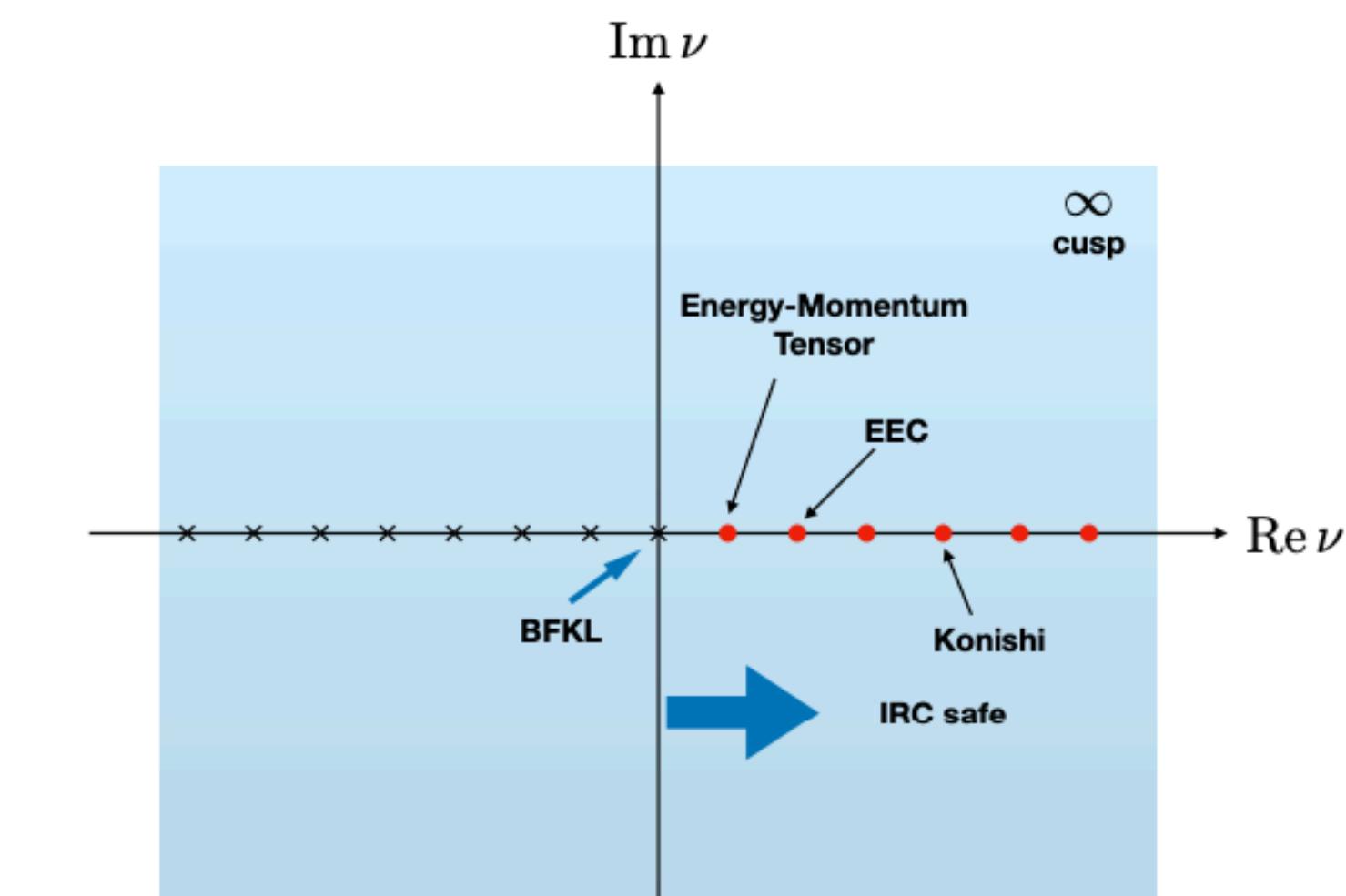
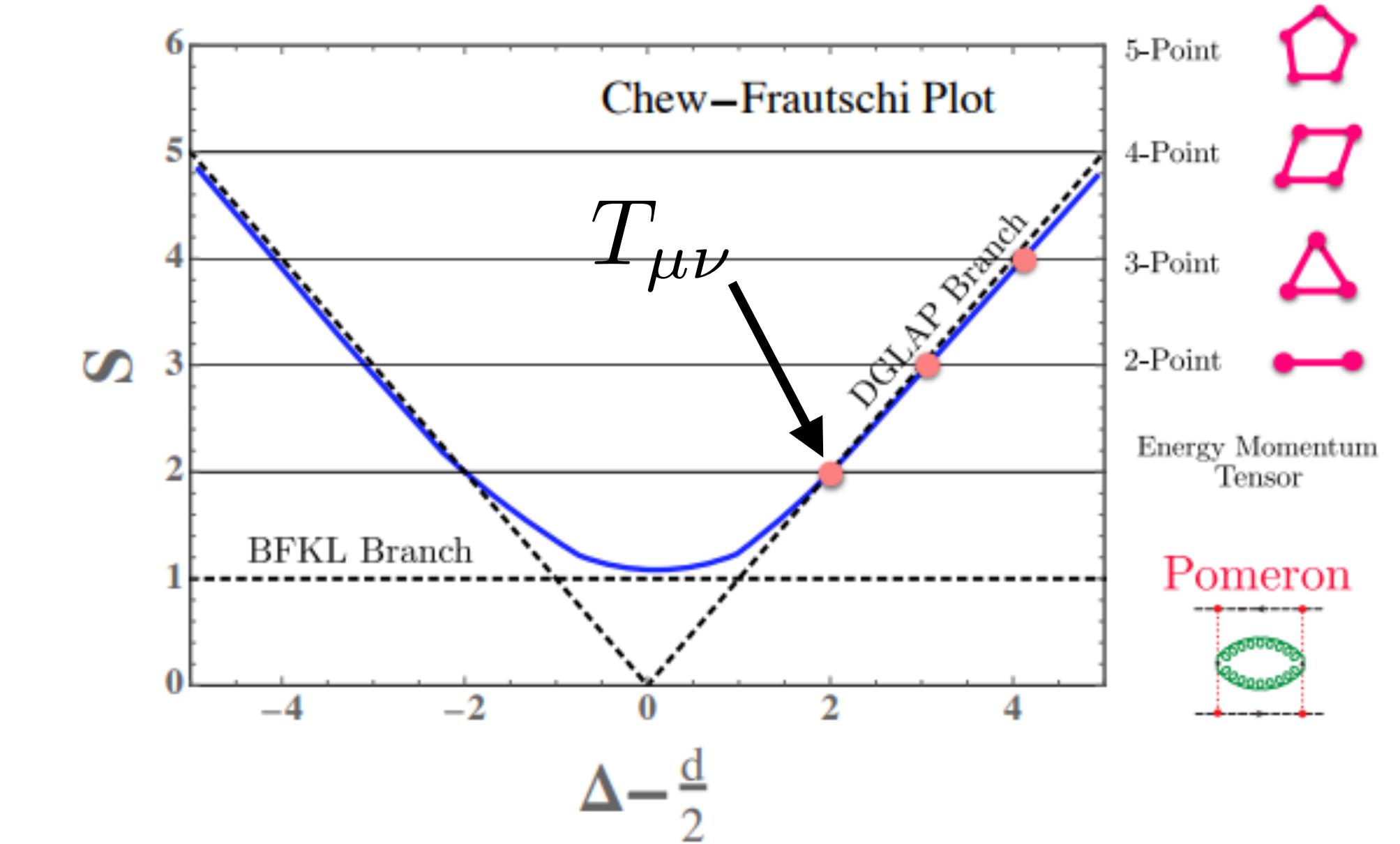
The simplest class are energy correlators

$$\mathcal{E}(\vec{n}) = \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} r^2 \int_0^\infty dt \vec{n}_i T^{0i}(t, r\vec{n})$$

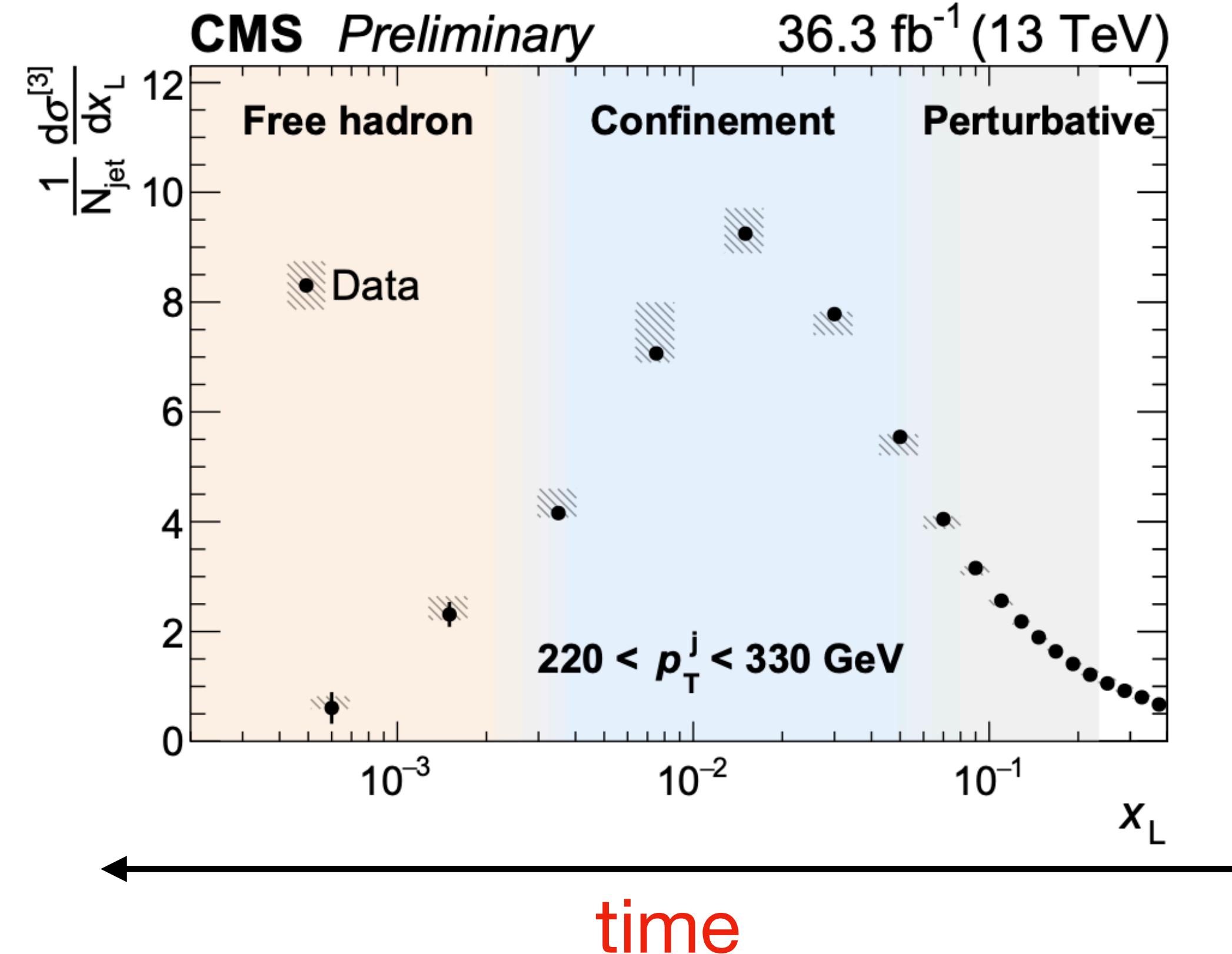
Tkachov, 1995

Hofman, Maldacena, 2008

Hao Chen, I. Moult, Xiaoyuan Zhang, HXZ, 2020



Energy correlators at works



Decrease in transverse momentum transfer between probed hadron

<https://cds.cern.ch/record/2866560/files/SMP-22-015-pas.pdf>

$$\alpha_S(m_Z) = 0.1229_{-0.0012}^{+0.0014}(\text{stat.})_{-0.0033}^{+0.0030}(\text{theo.})_{-0.0036}^{+0.0023}(\text{exp.})$$

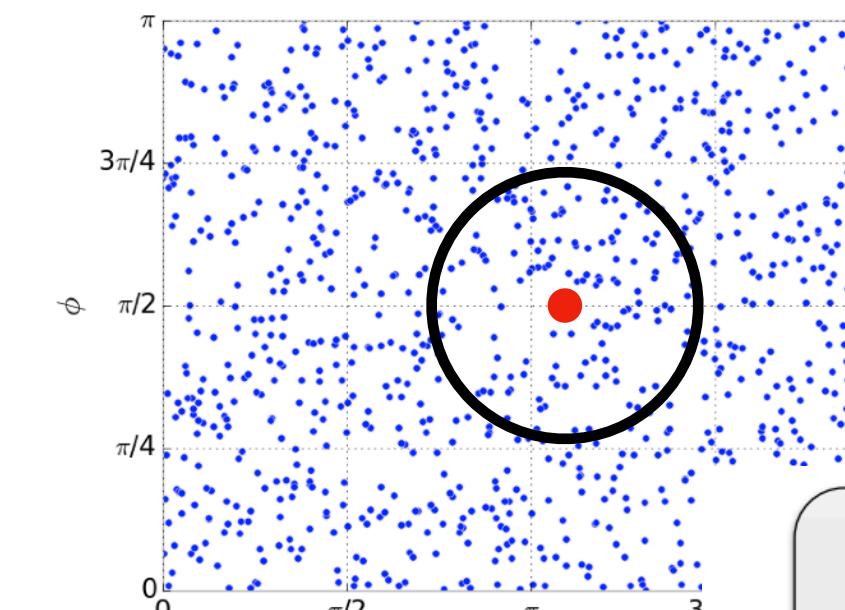
Most precise measurement from jet substructure. Uncertainties dominated by theory!

Large R_L (perturbative region)

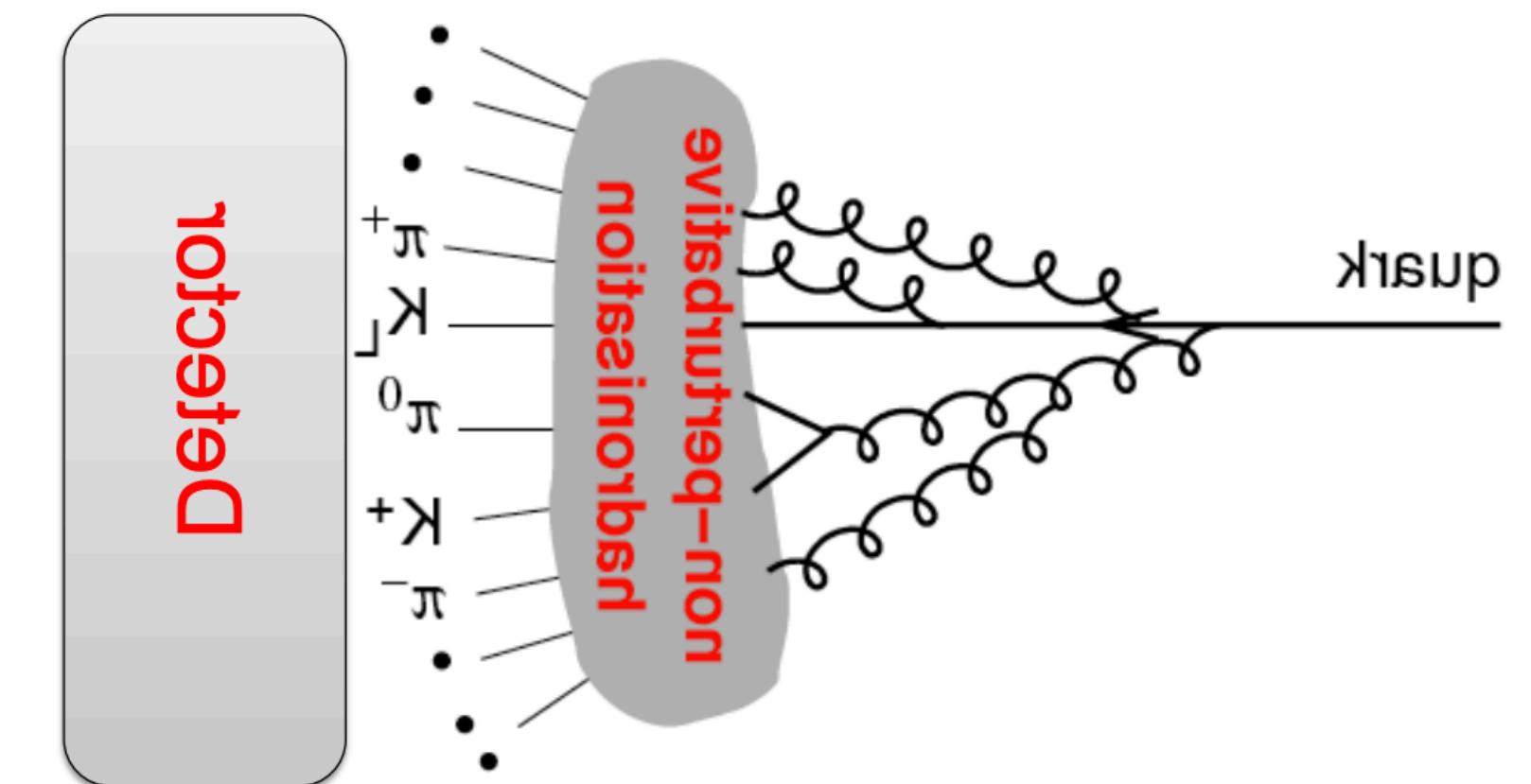
$$\lim_{\hat{n}_2 \rightarrow \hat{n}_1} \mathcal{E}(\hat{n}_1) \mathcal{E}(\hat{n}_2) = \sum c_i \theta^{\tau_i - 4} \mathbb{O}_i(\hat{n}_1) + \text{running coupling}$$

scaling law

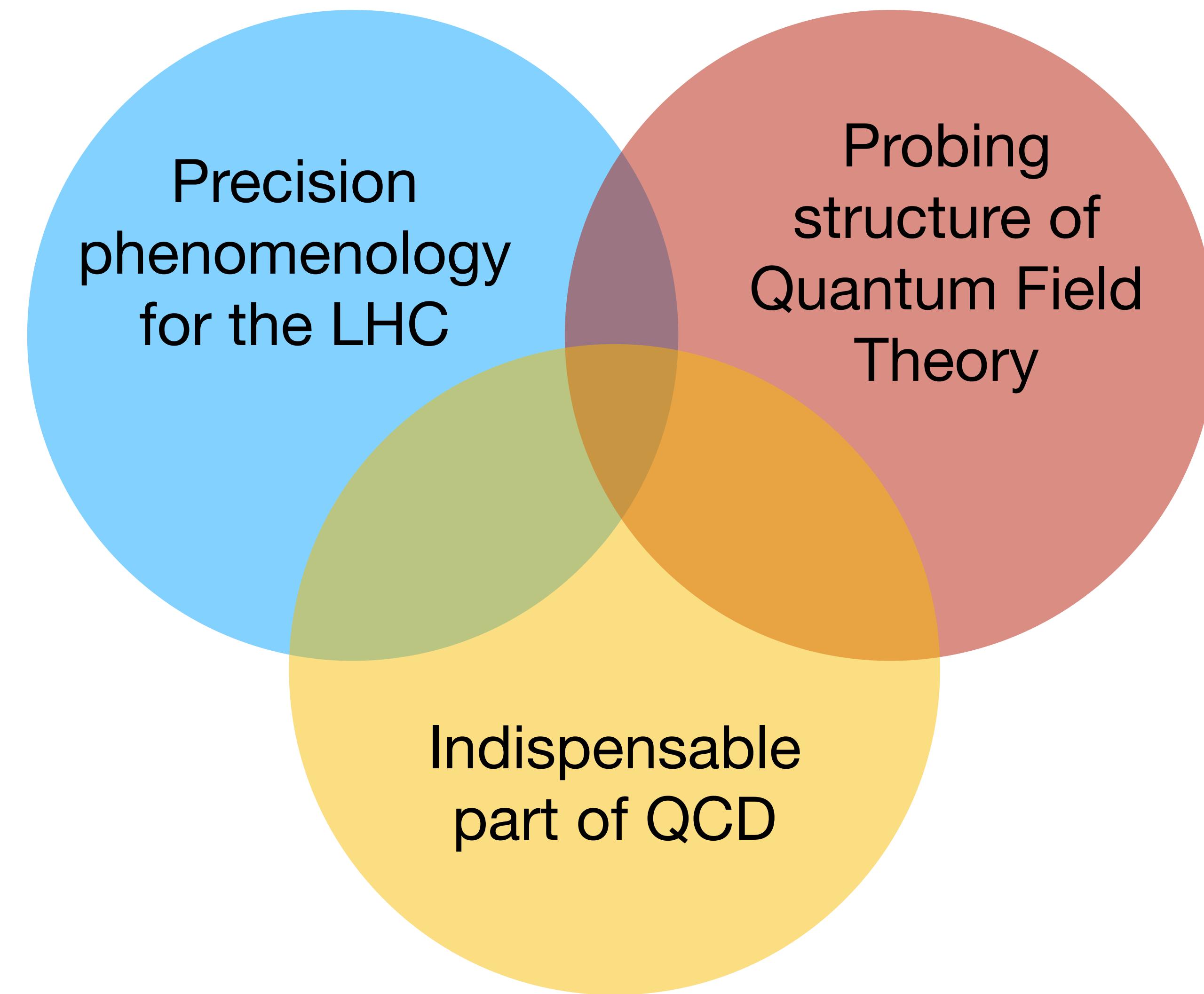
very small R_L (free hadrons)



Starting from any given point, the number of points correlated with it grow linearly with radius R



Summary



This year marks the discovery of QCD for 50 years.

QCD gave rise to the pursuit of understanding the strong force via perturbation theory.

We have witnessed remarkable **continuous** progress in the past 50 years.

Stay tuned for more exciting results from the future!