

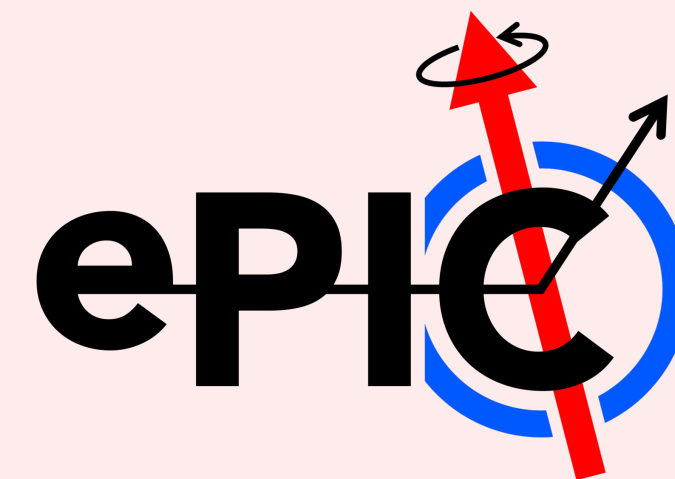
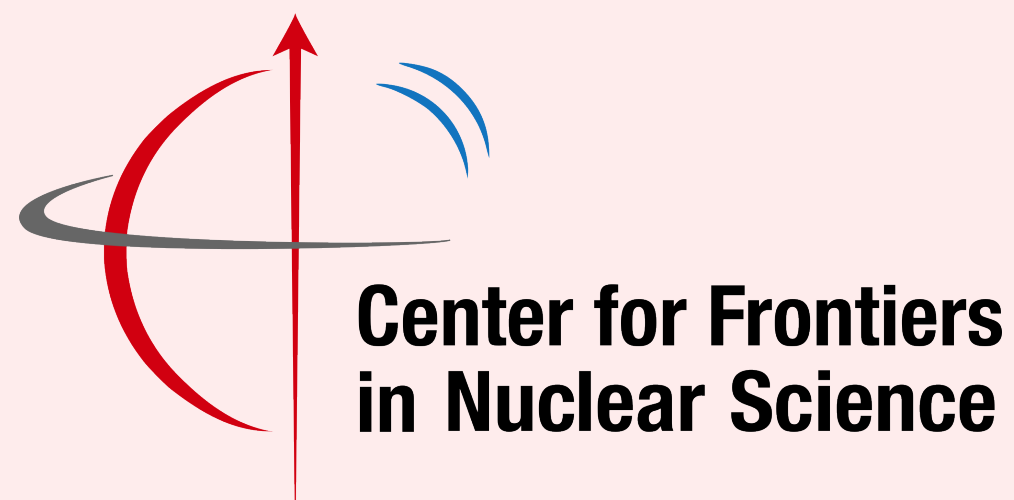
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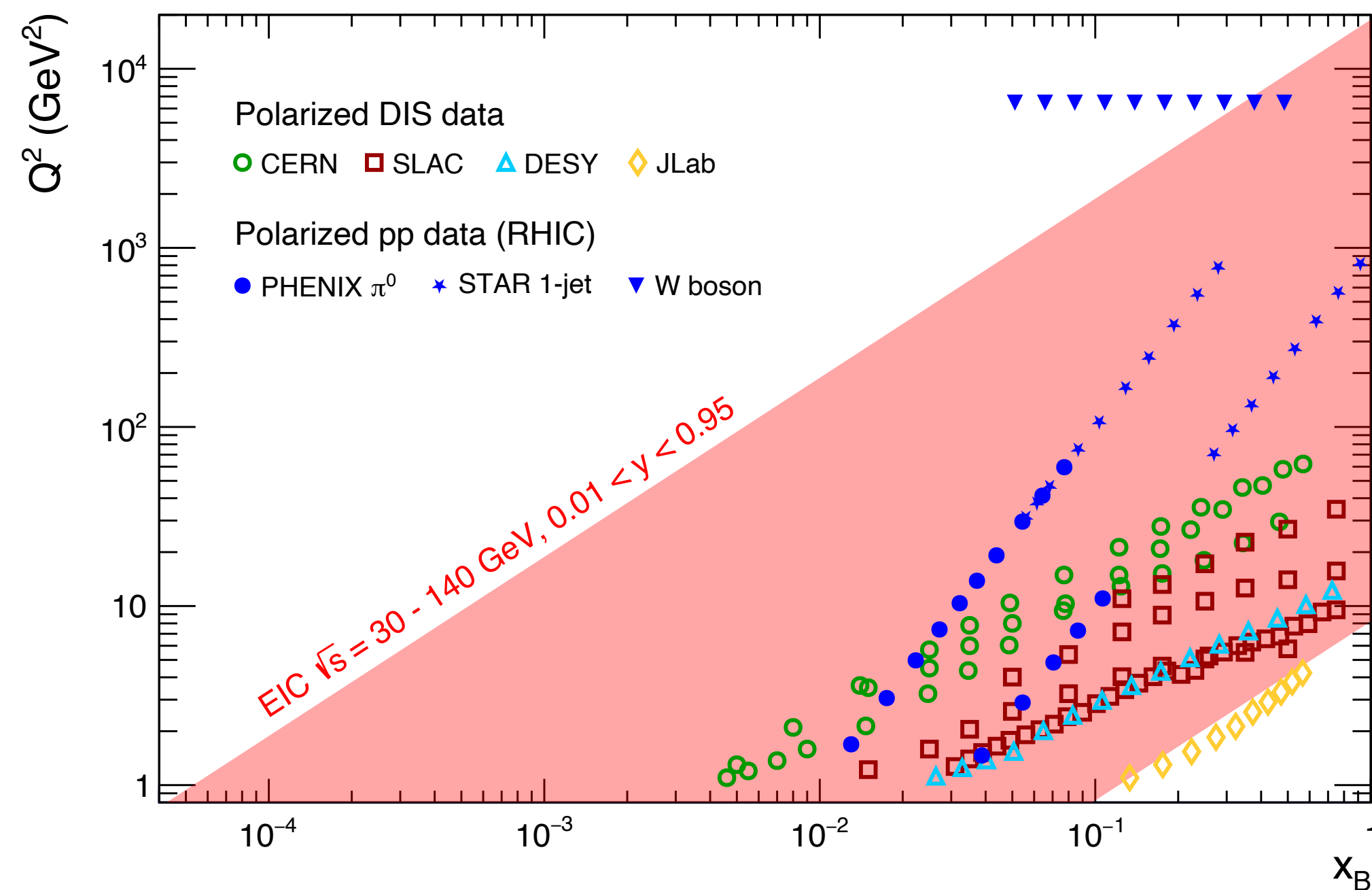
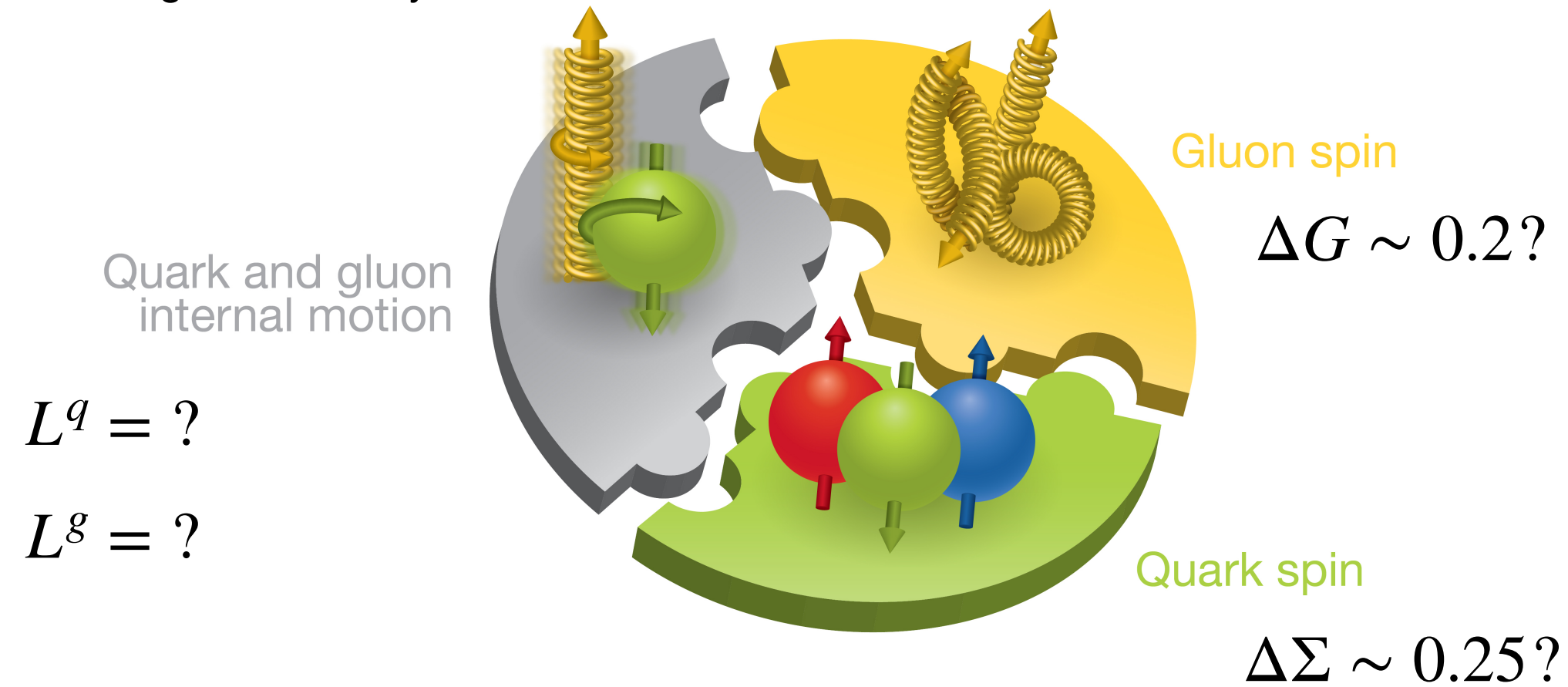
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The Nucleon Spin Puzzle

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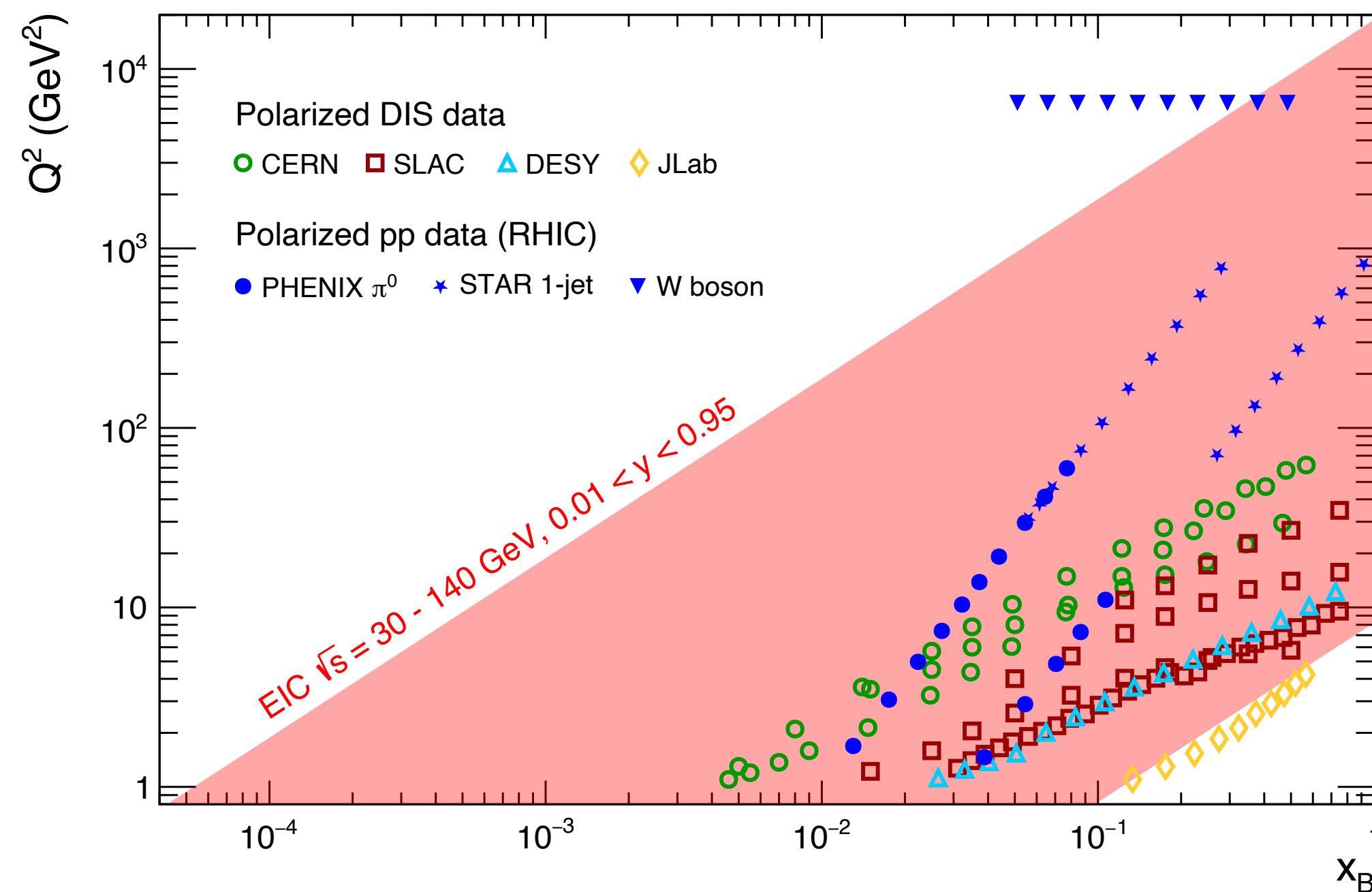
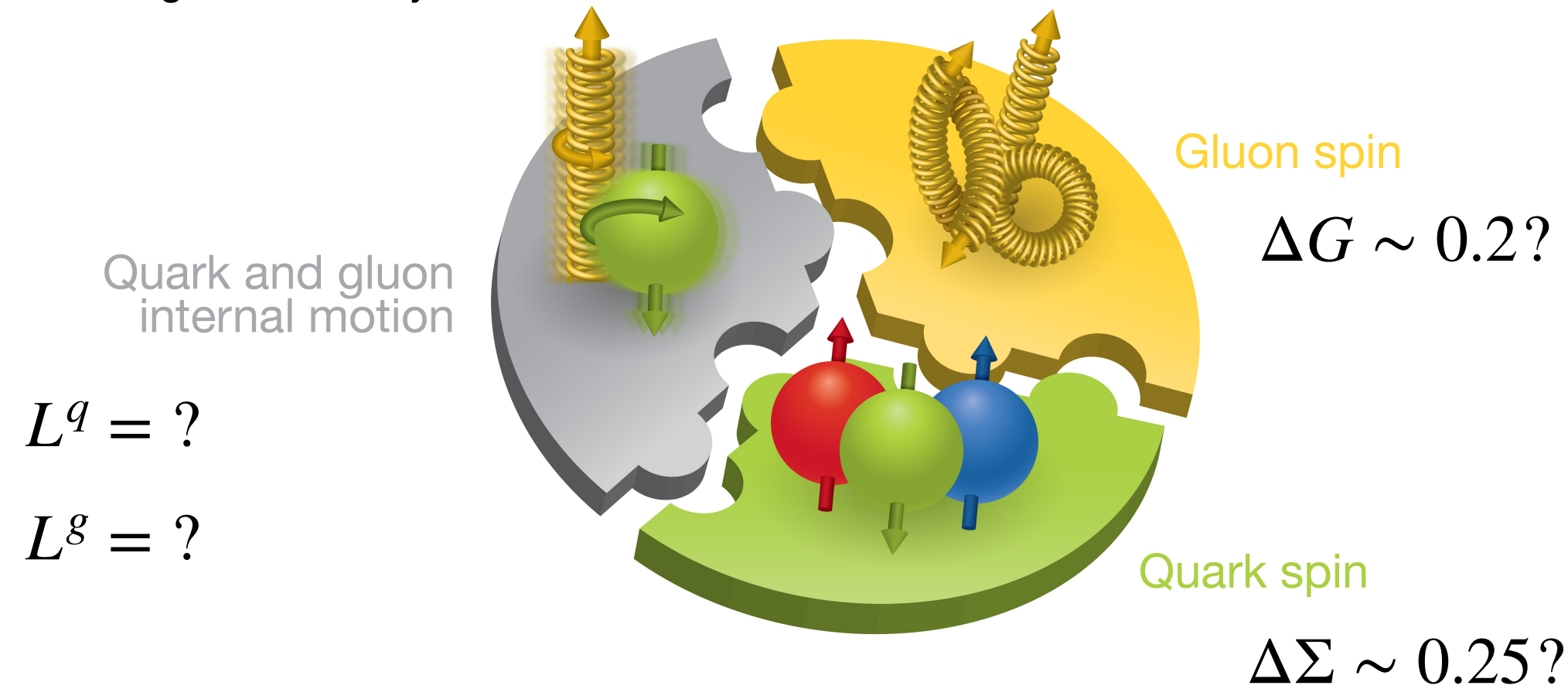
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$$a_0 = \Delta u + \Delta d + \Delta s \equiv \Delta \Sigma$$

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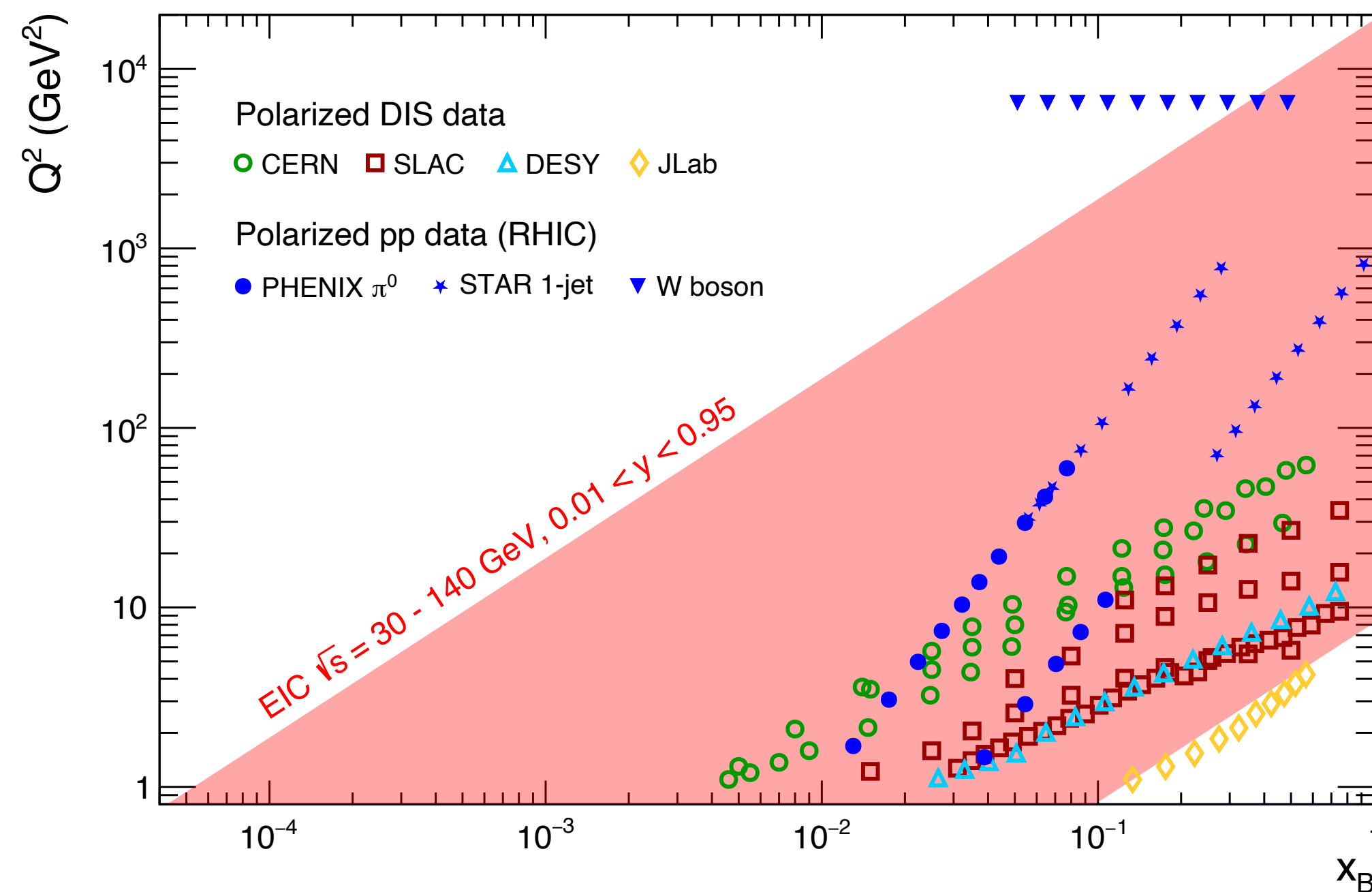
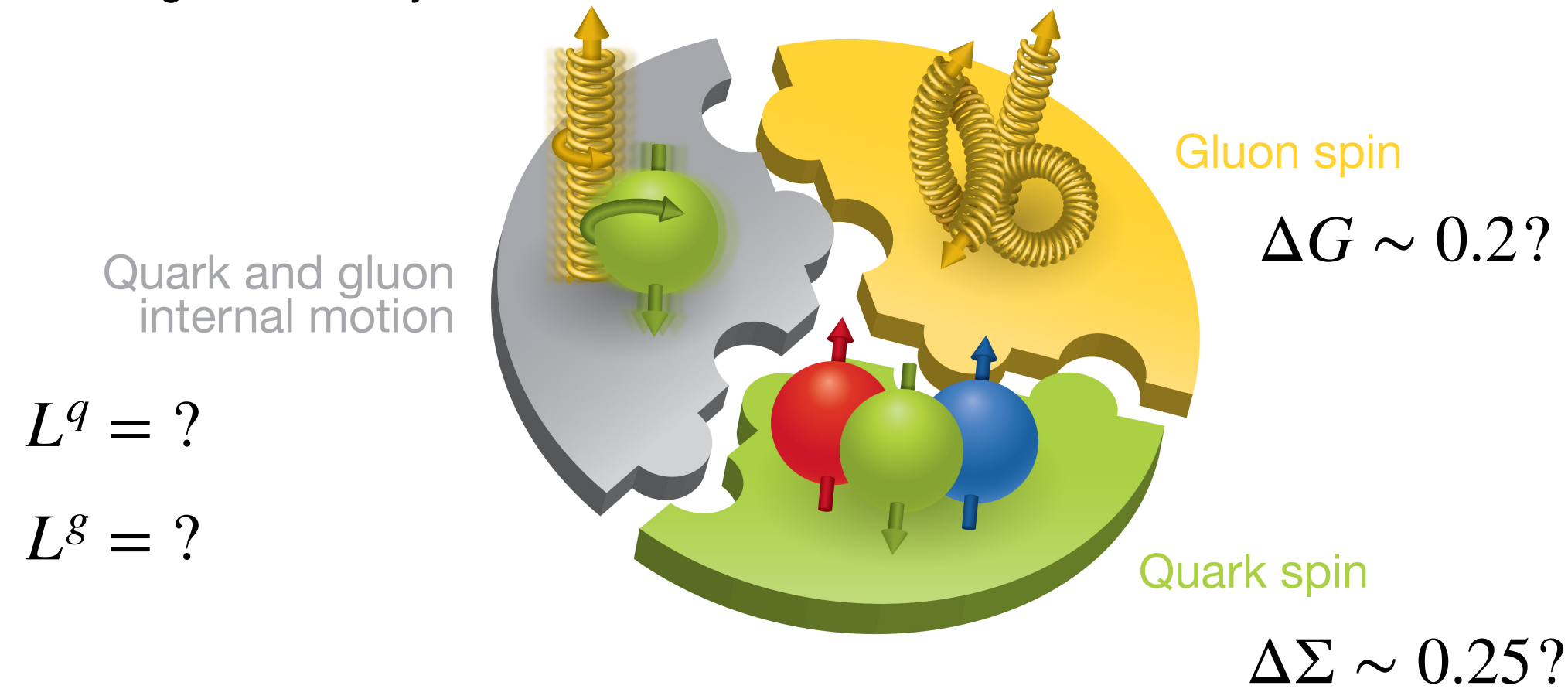
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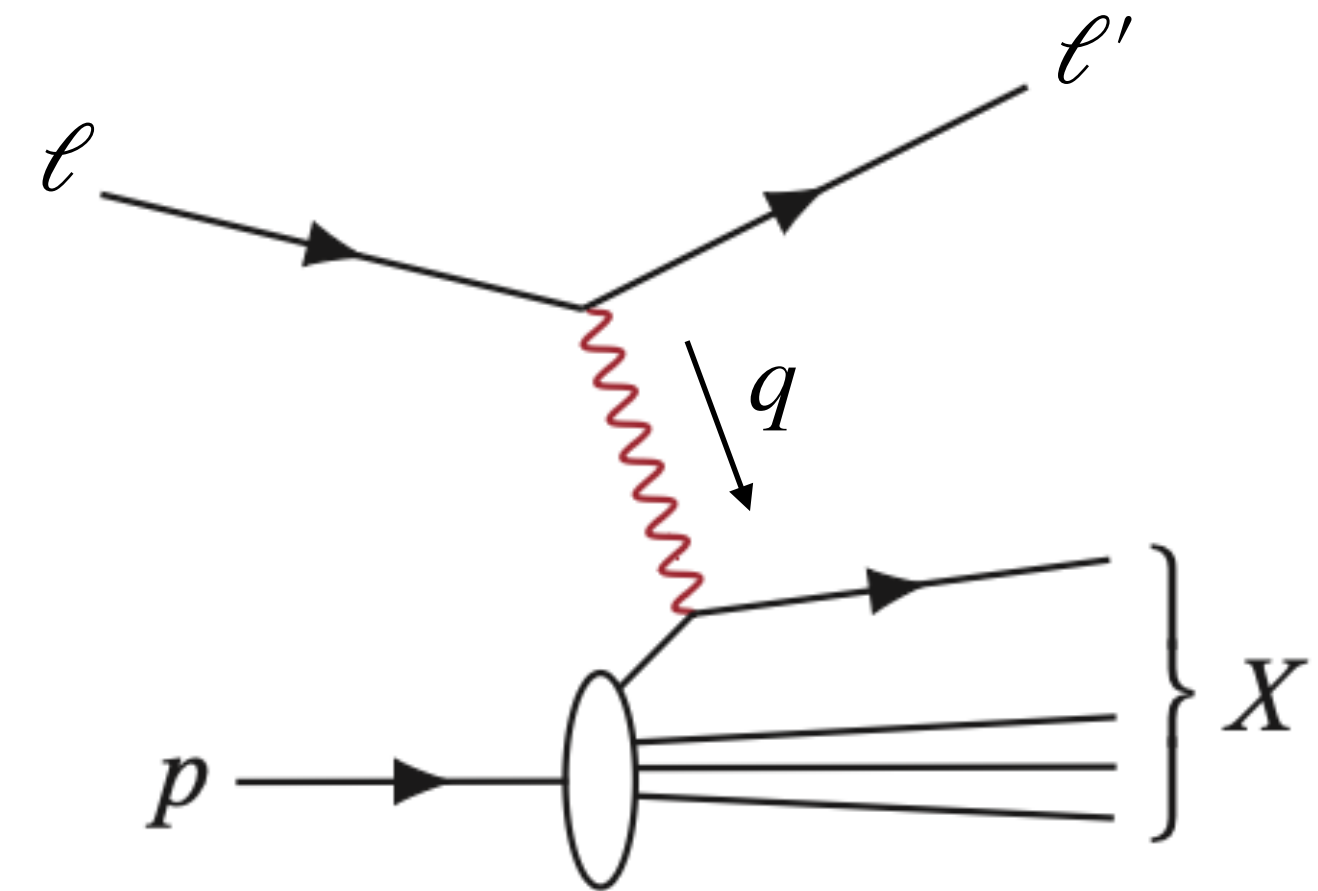
Probing Spin Structure with DIS

Deep Inelastic Scattering is a strong tool for probing nucleons and nuclei structure!

$$\frac{d^3\sigma(\beta)}{dQ^2 dx d\phi} = \frac{d^3\sigma_0}{dQ^2 dx d\phi} - \frac{d^3\Delta\sigma(\beta)}{dQ^2 dx d\phi}$$

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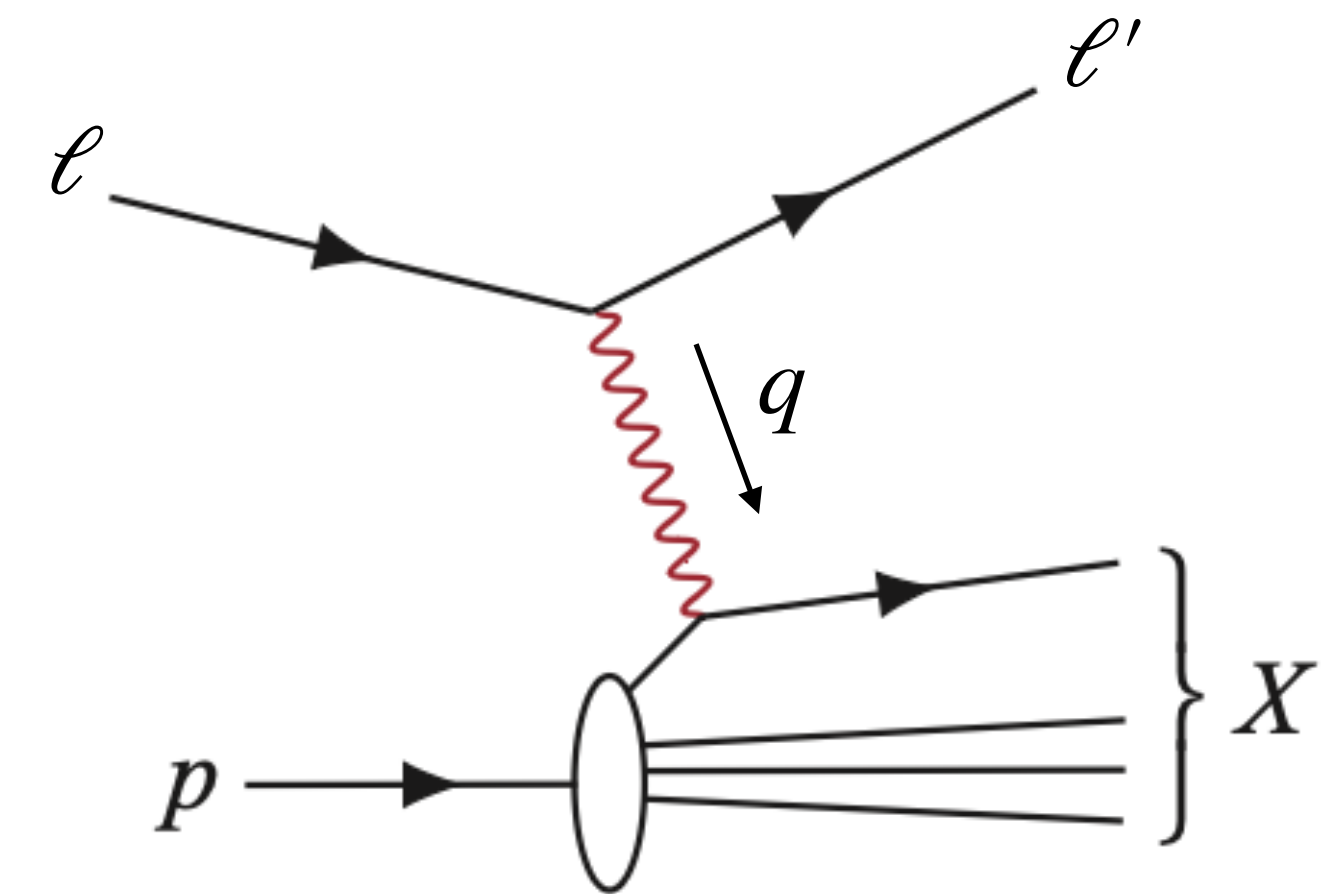
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- Direct measurement is more challenging
- Easier to measure via cross section ratio
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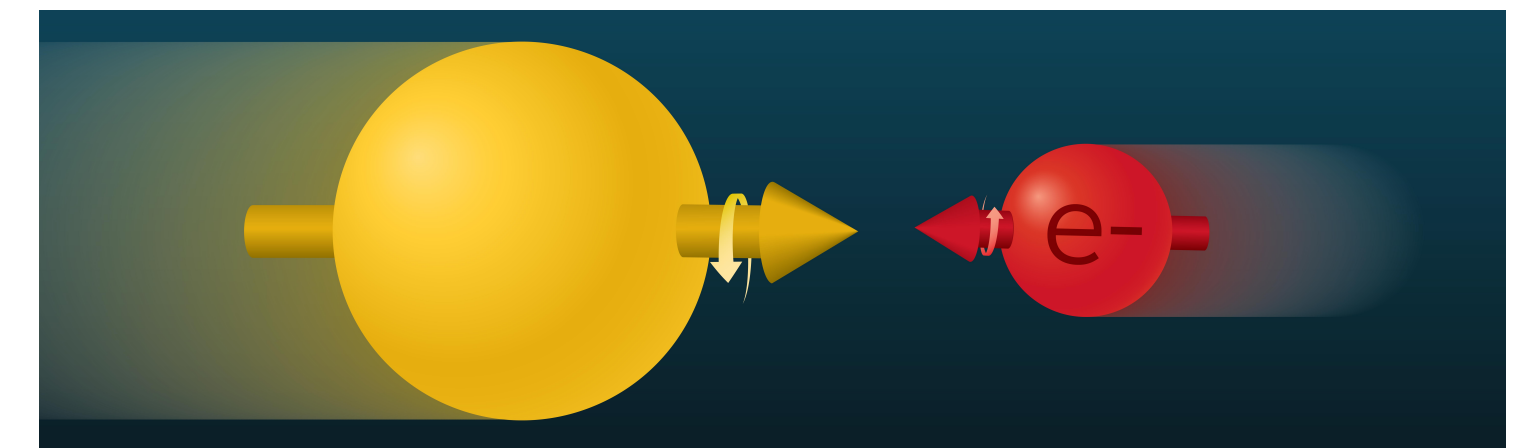
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Double Spin Asymmetry

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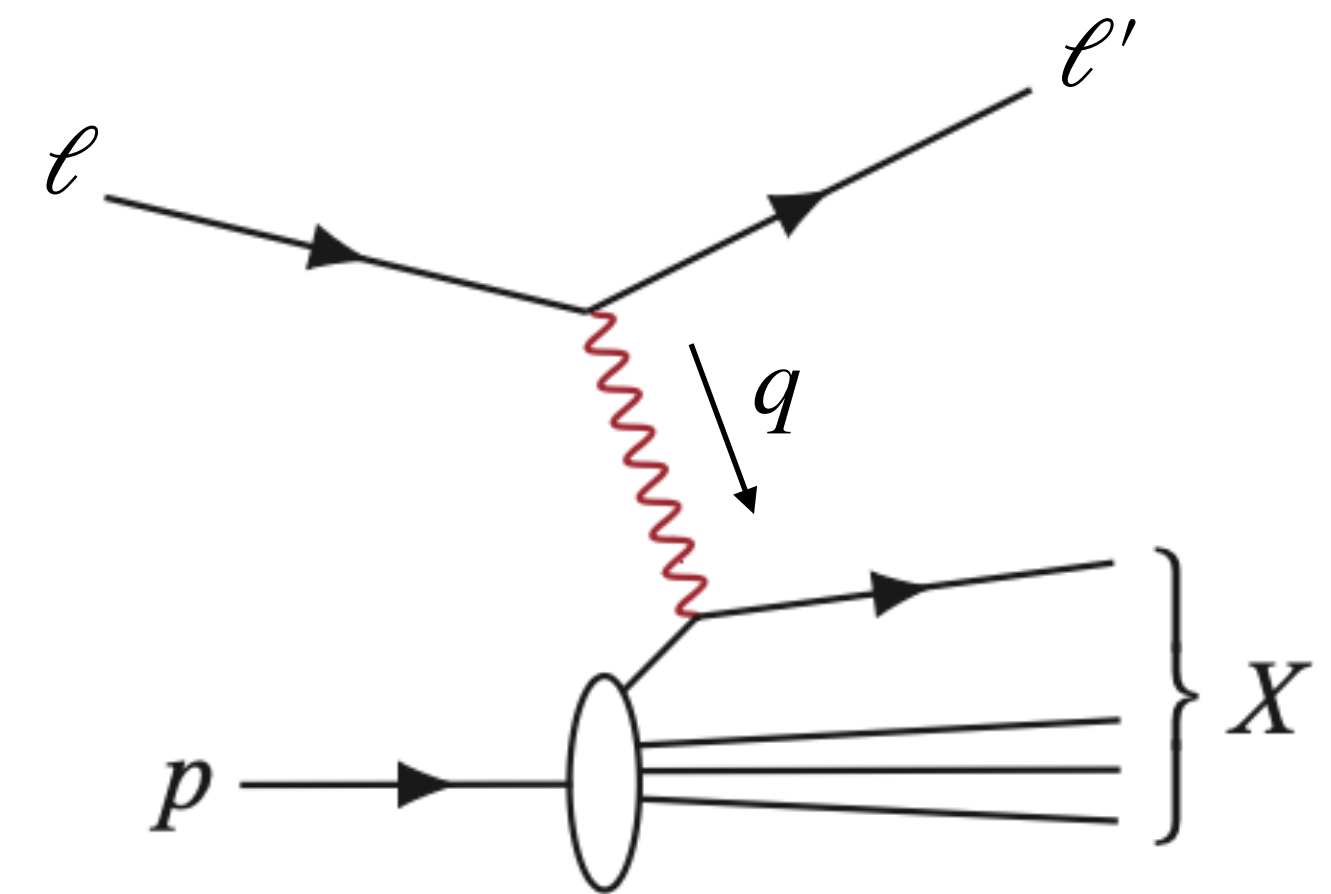
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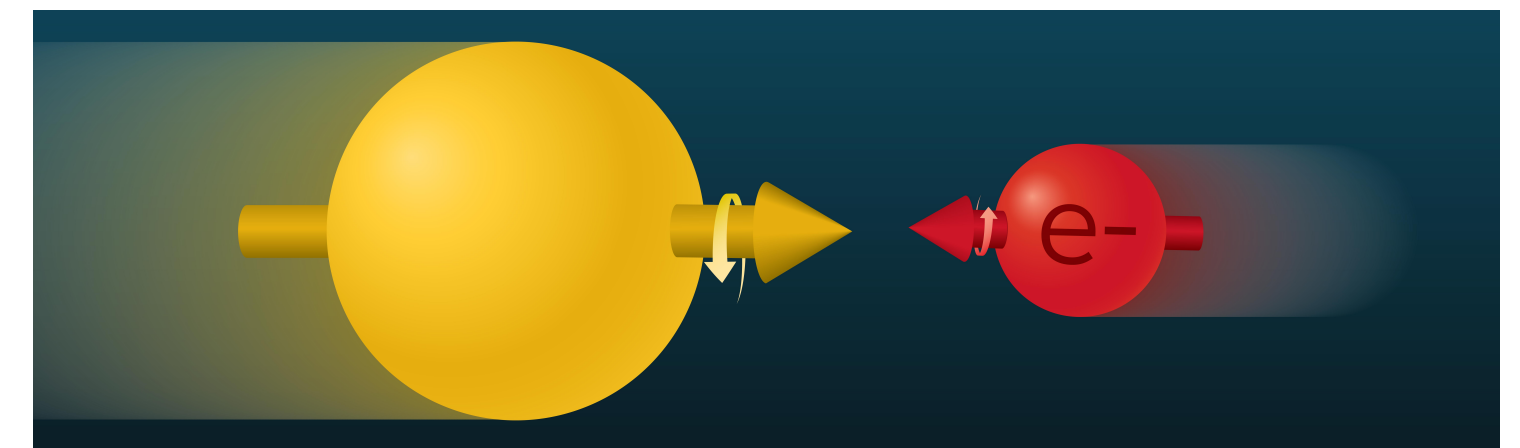
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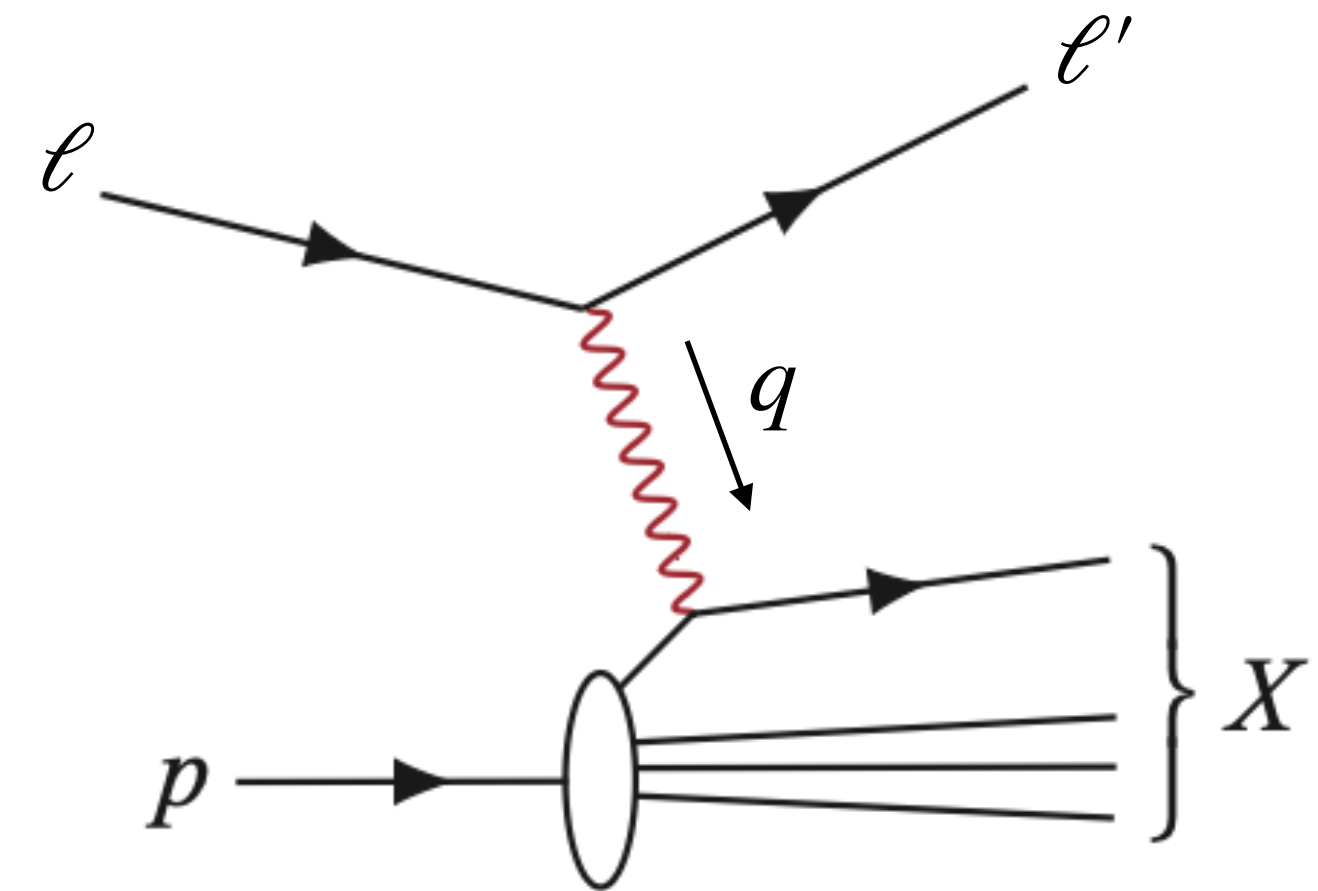
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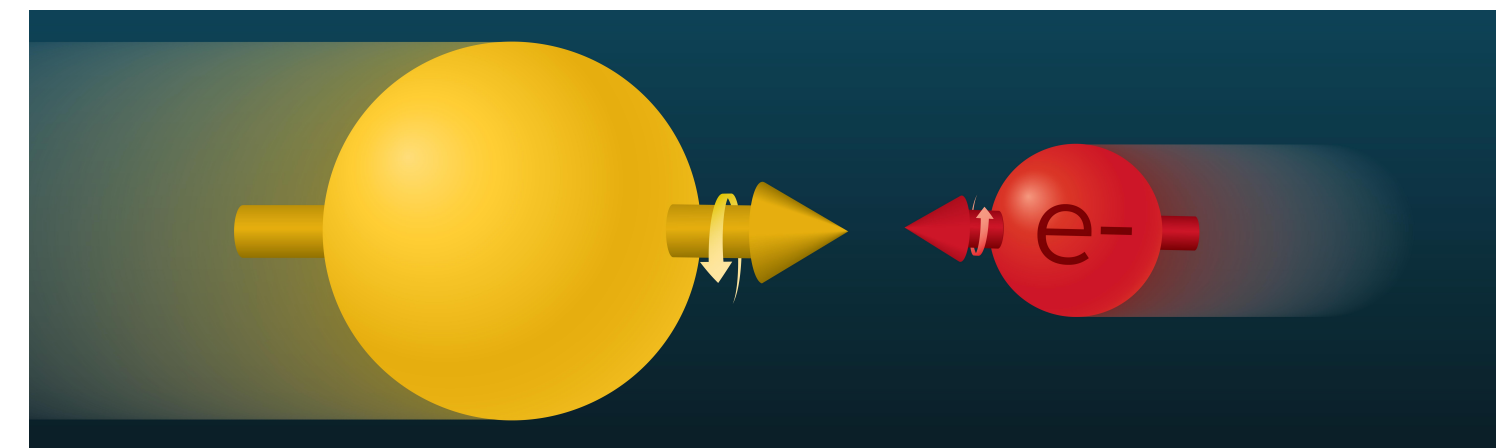
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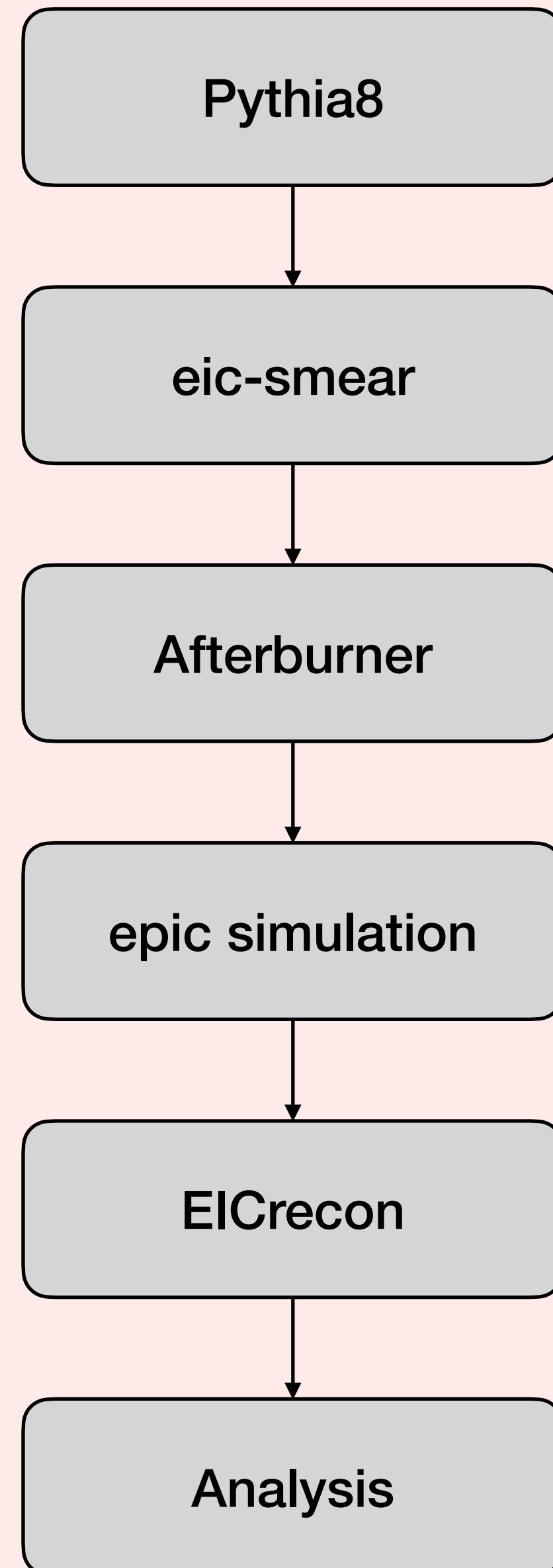
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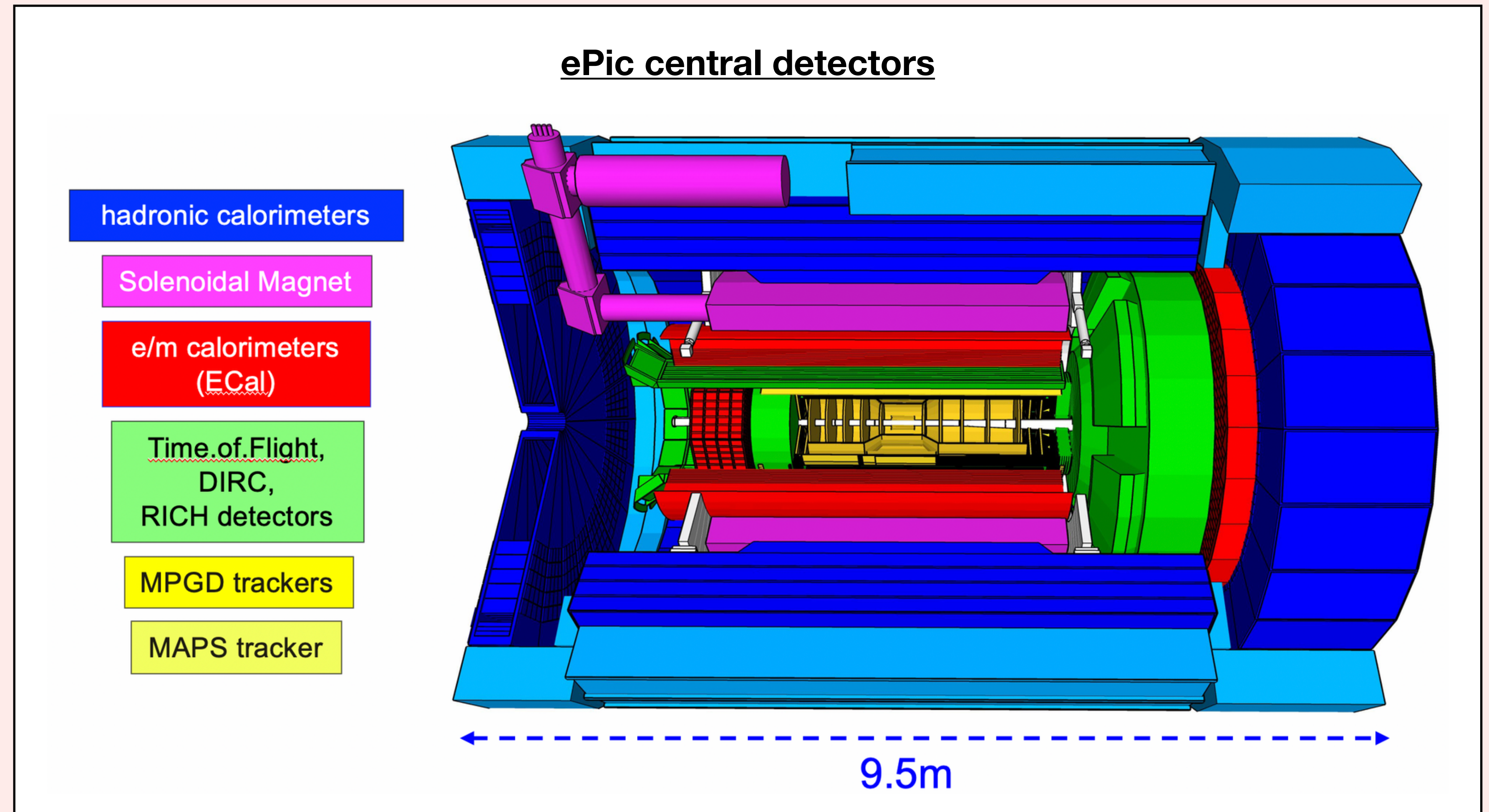
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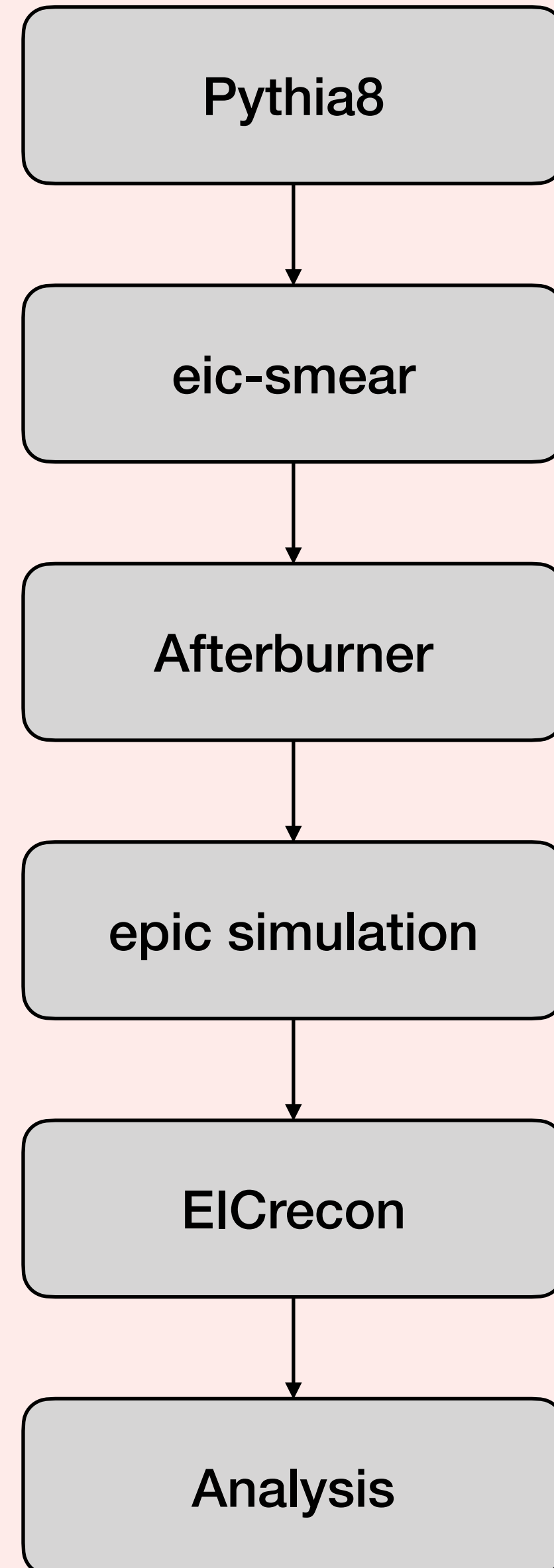
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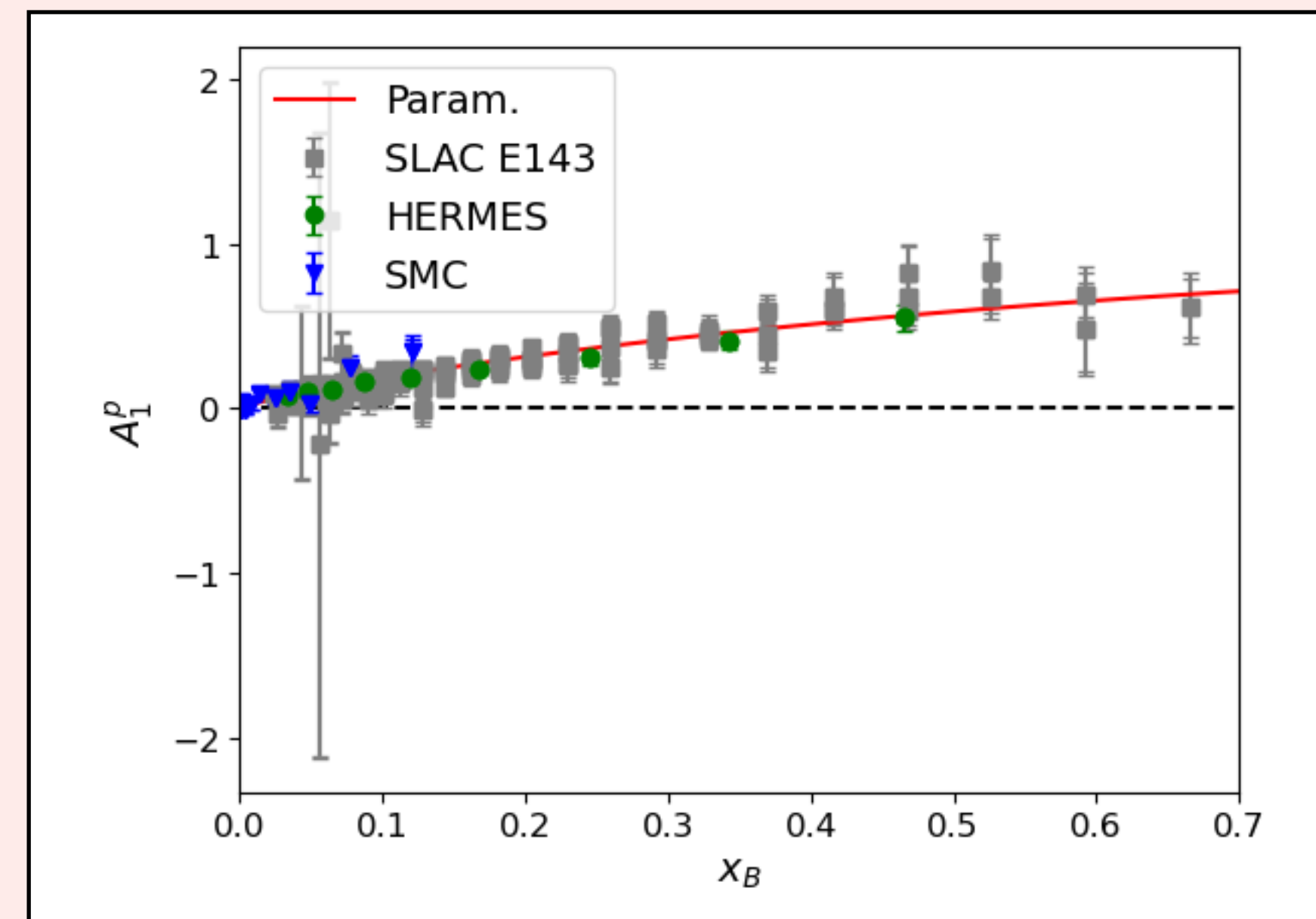


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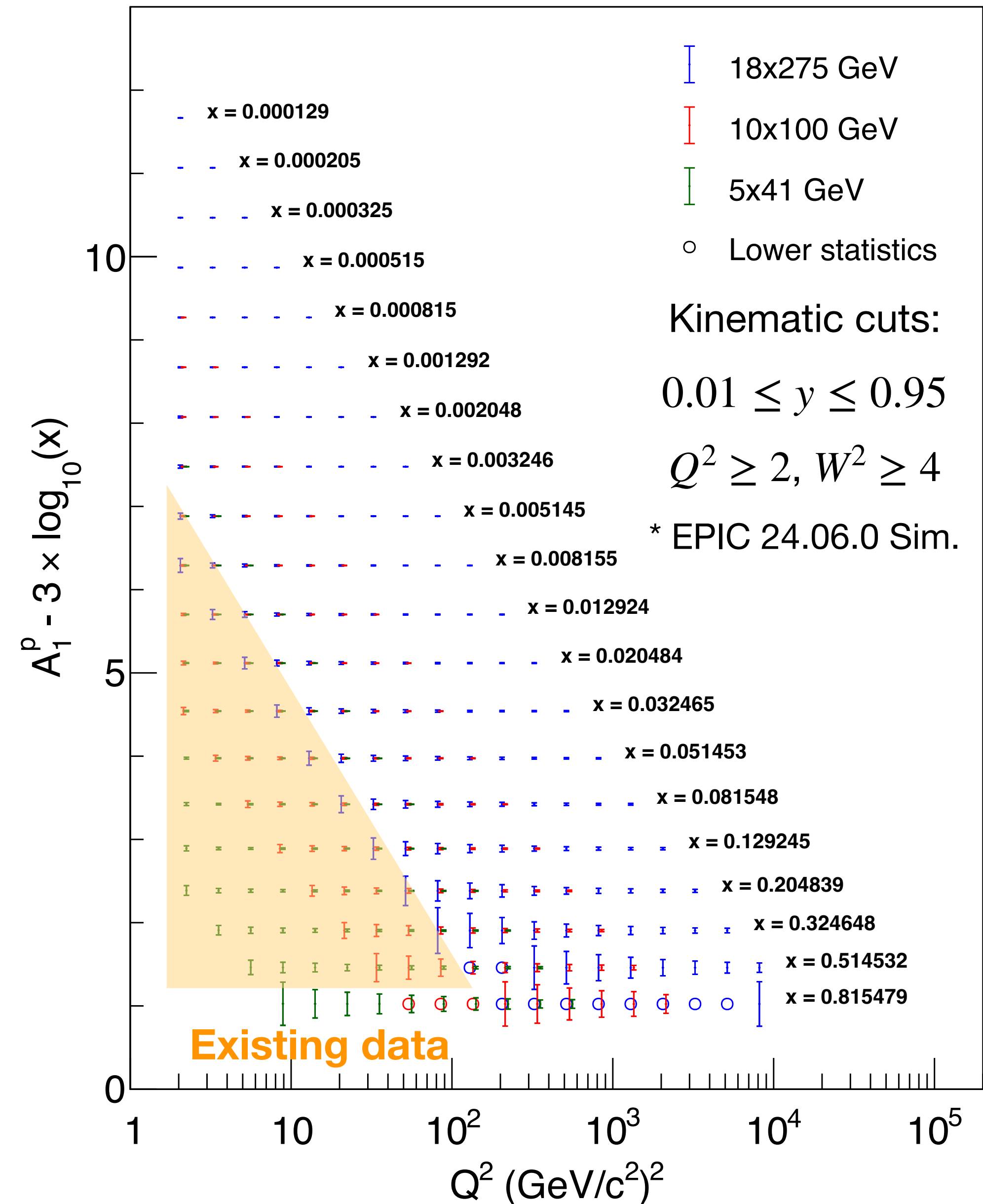
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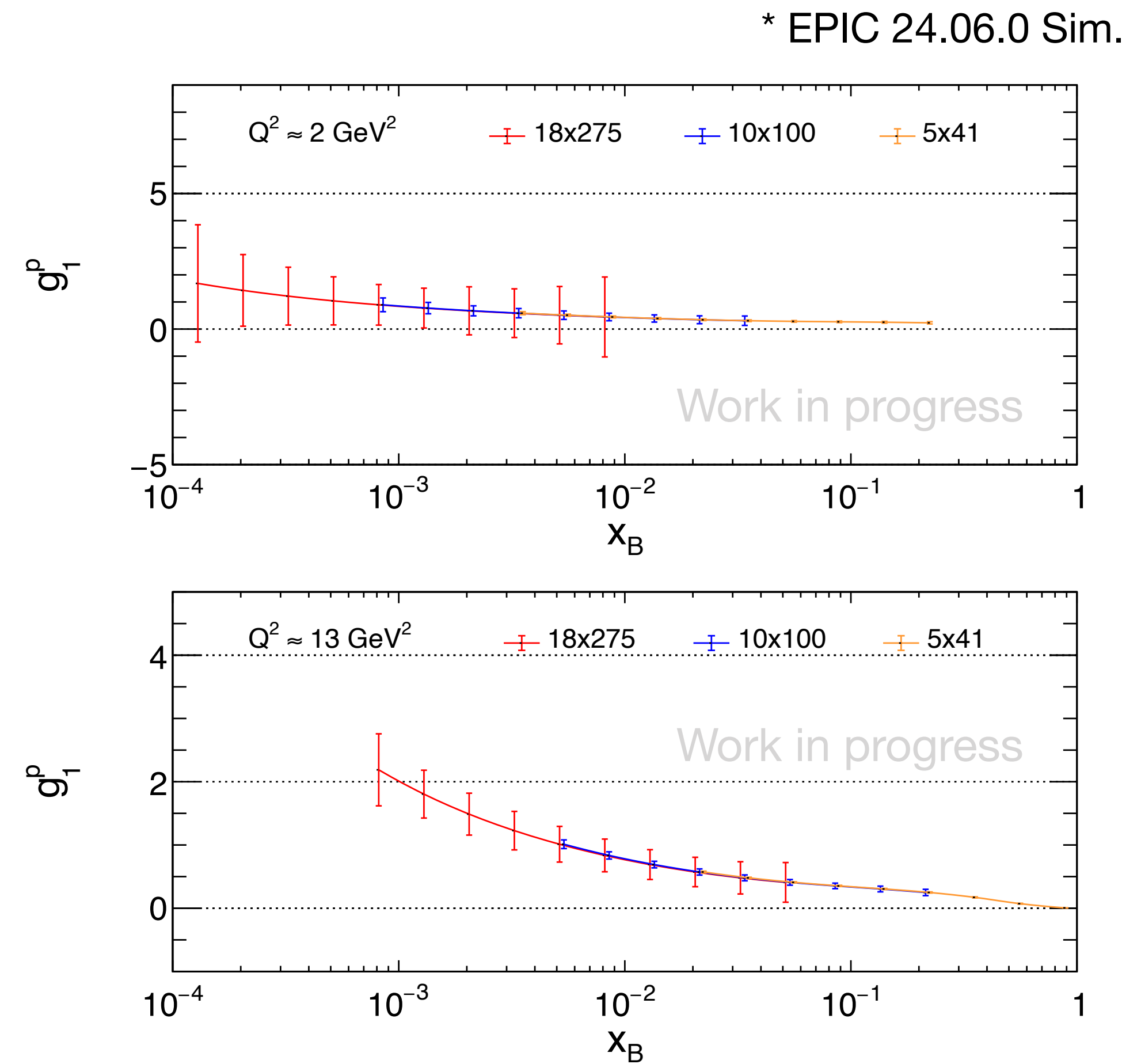
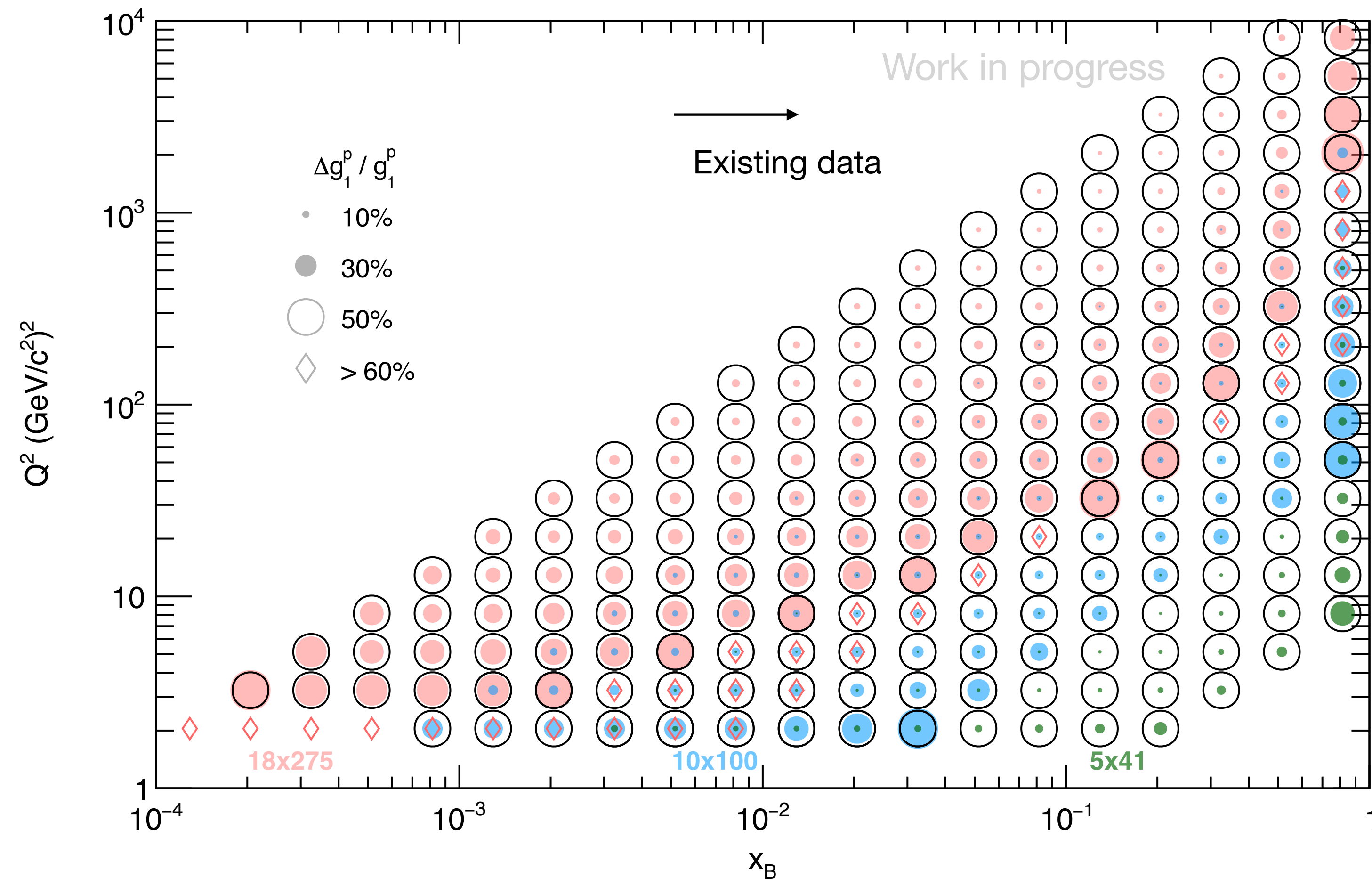
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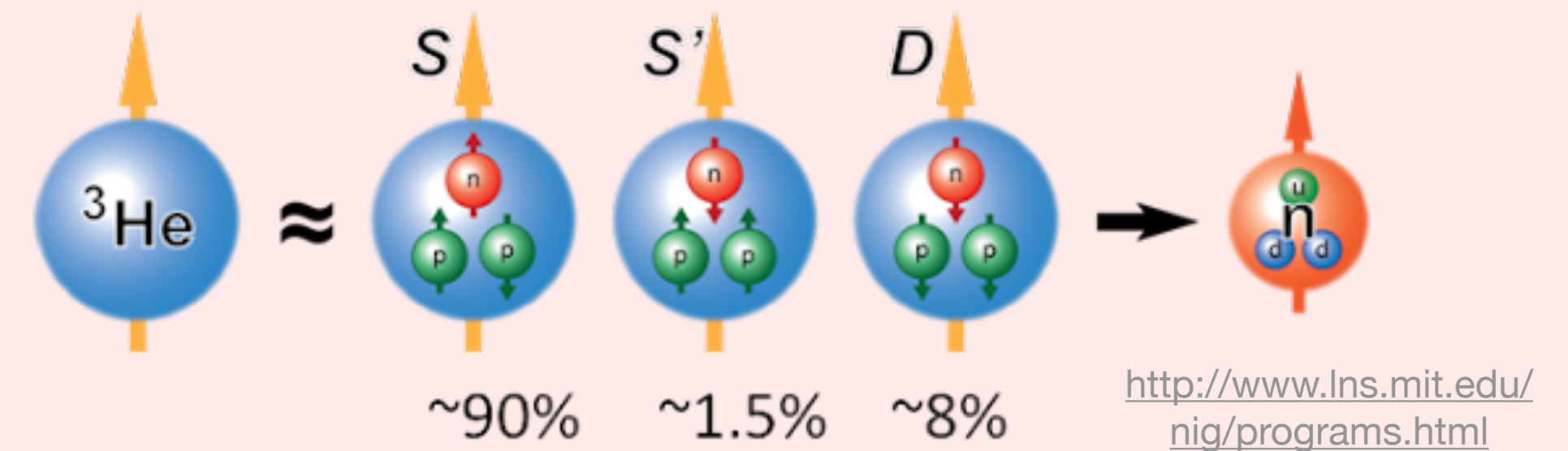


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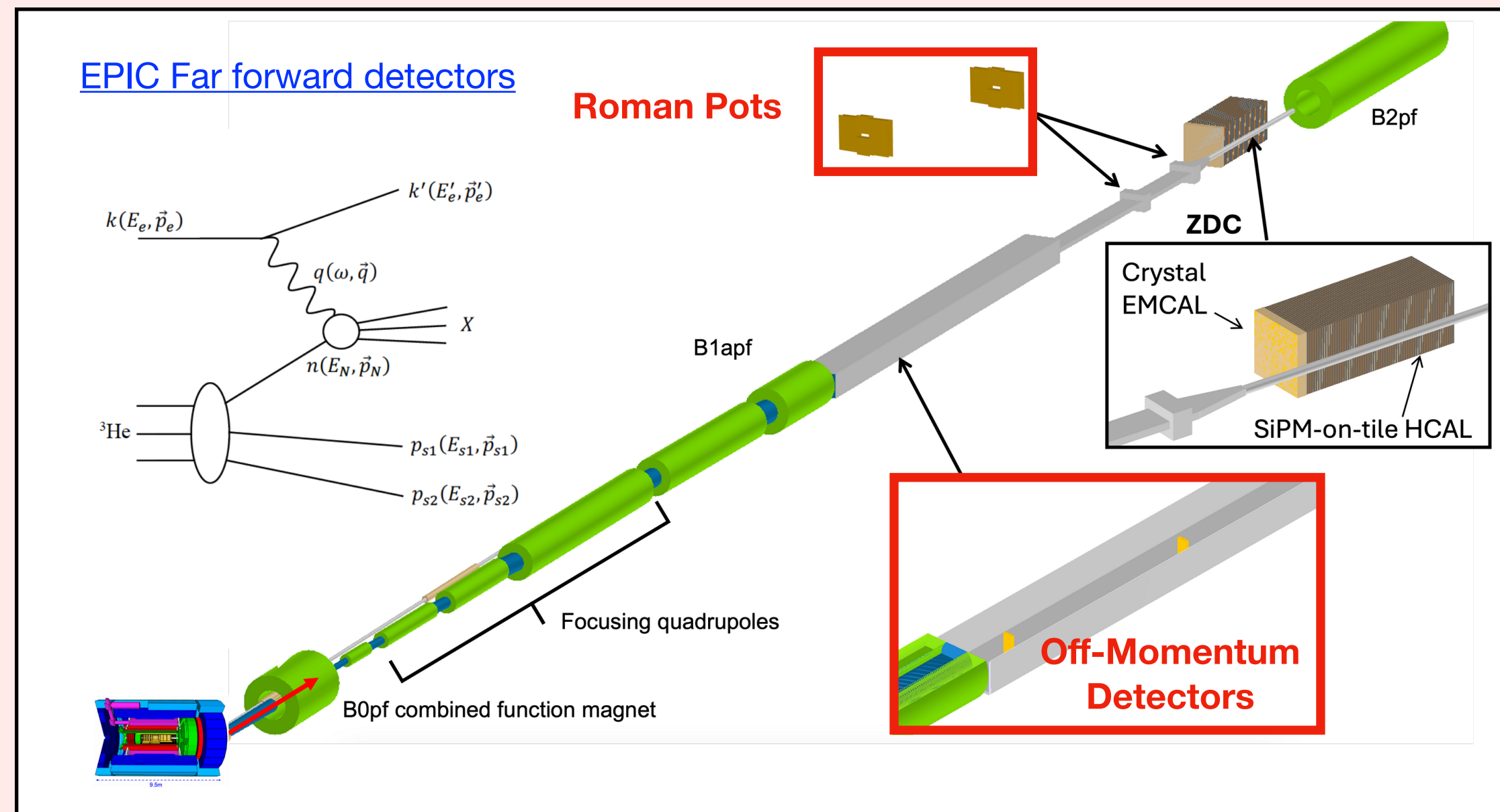
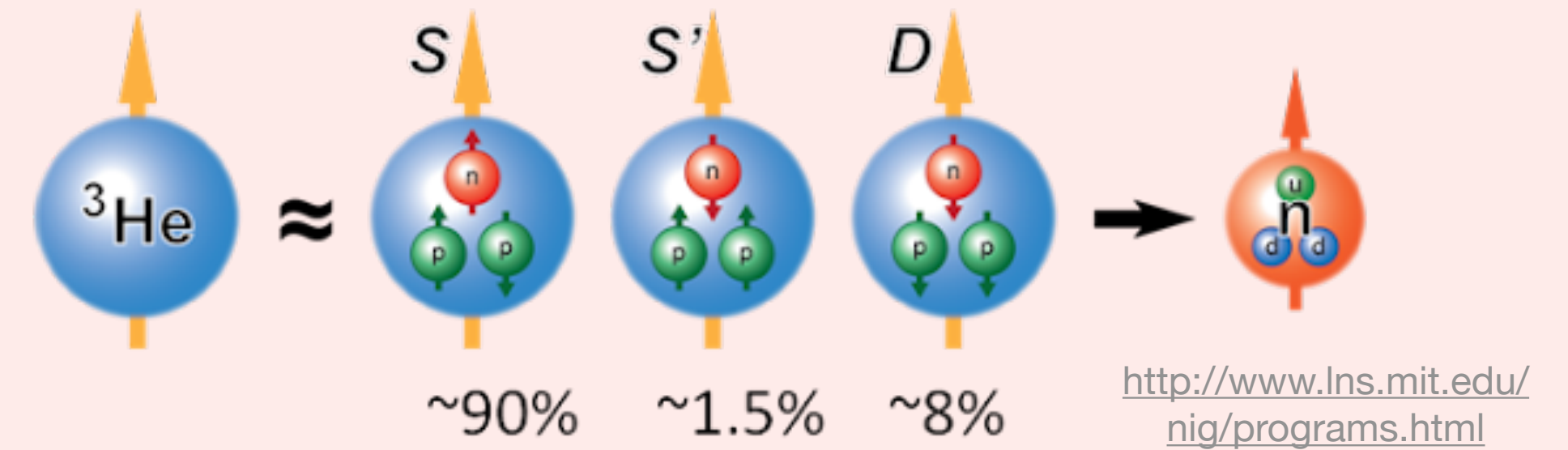


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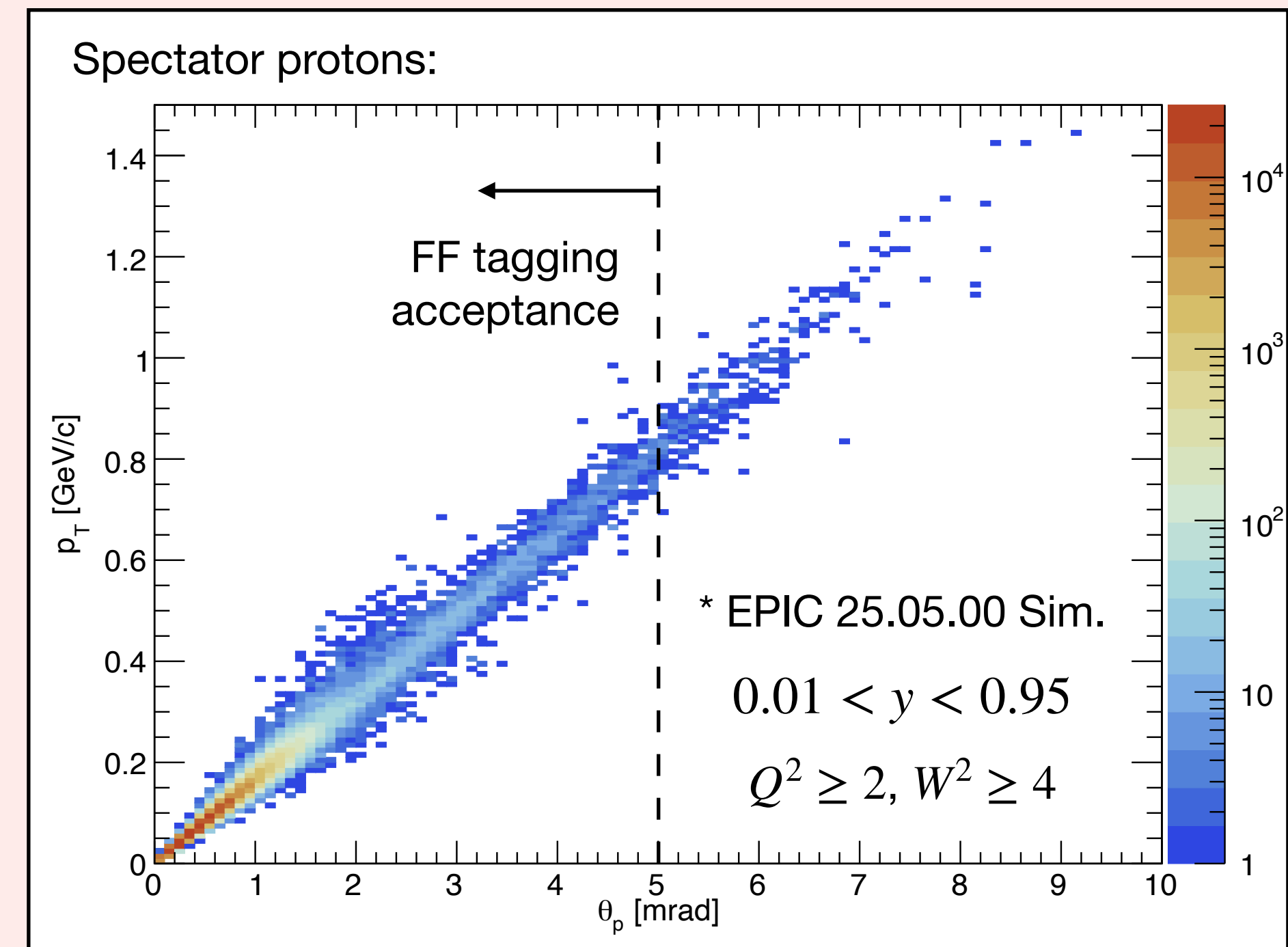
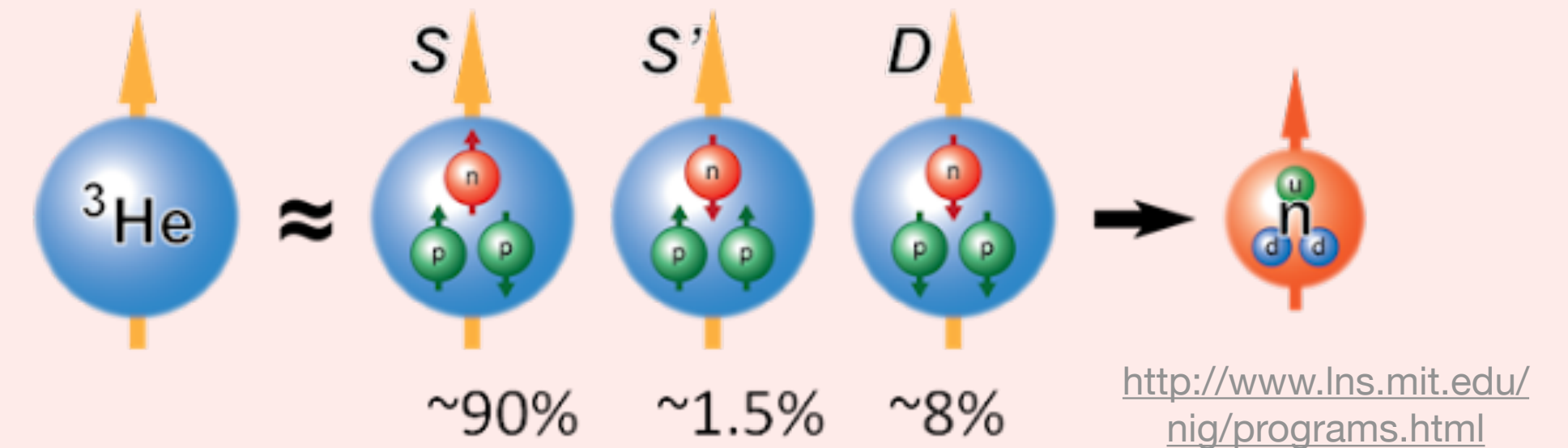
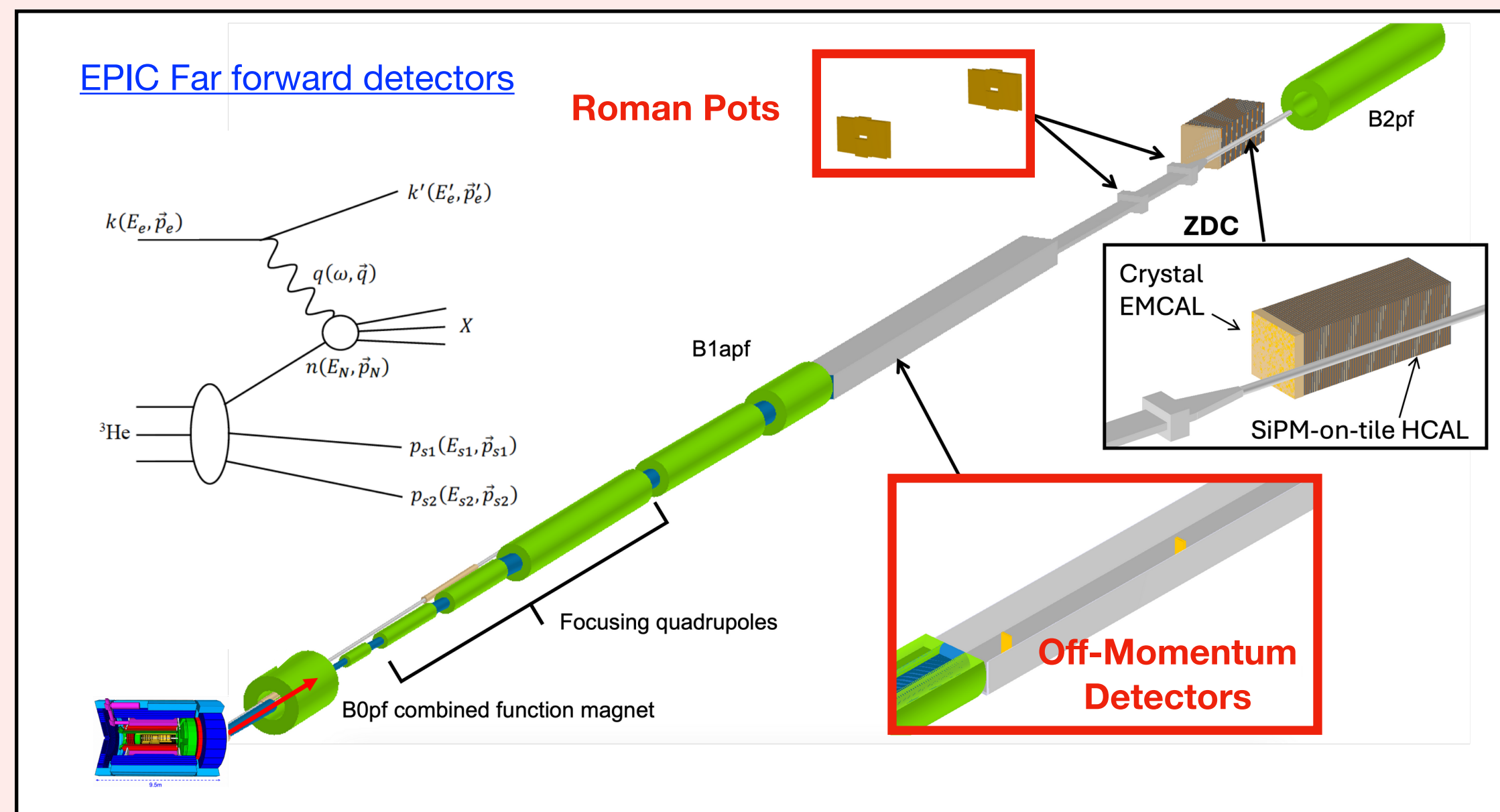


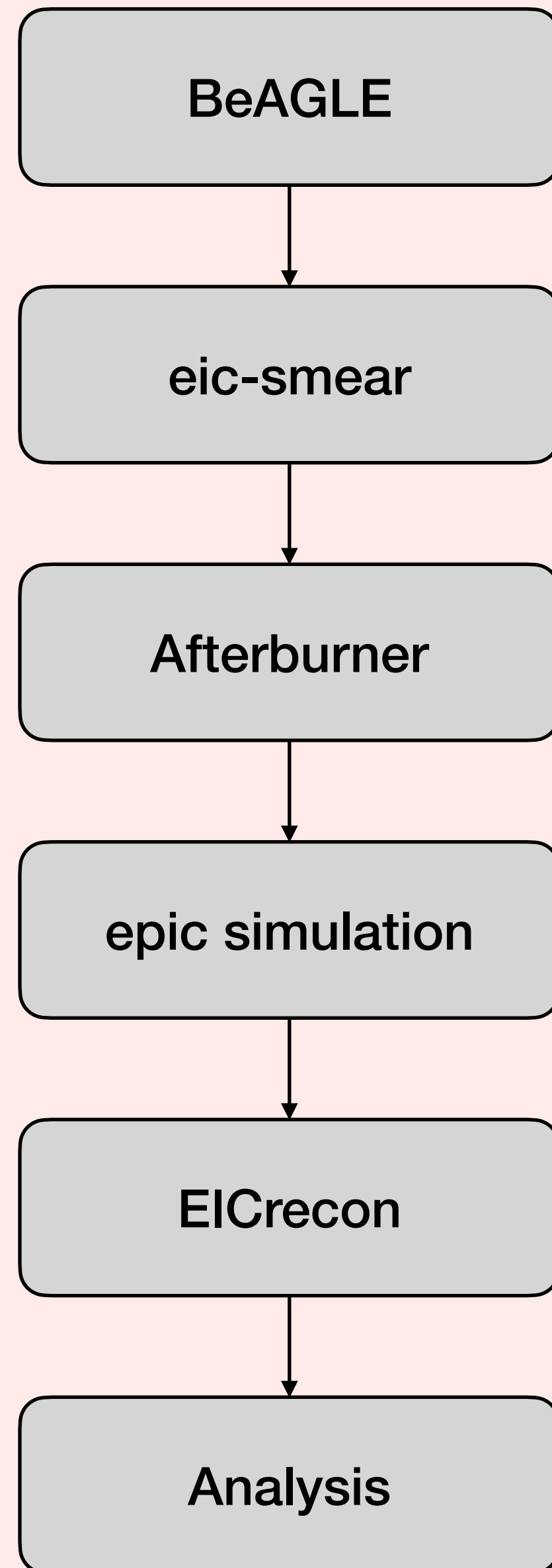
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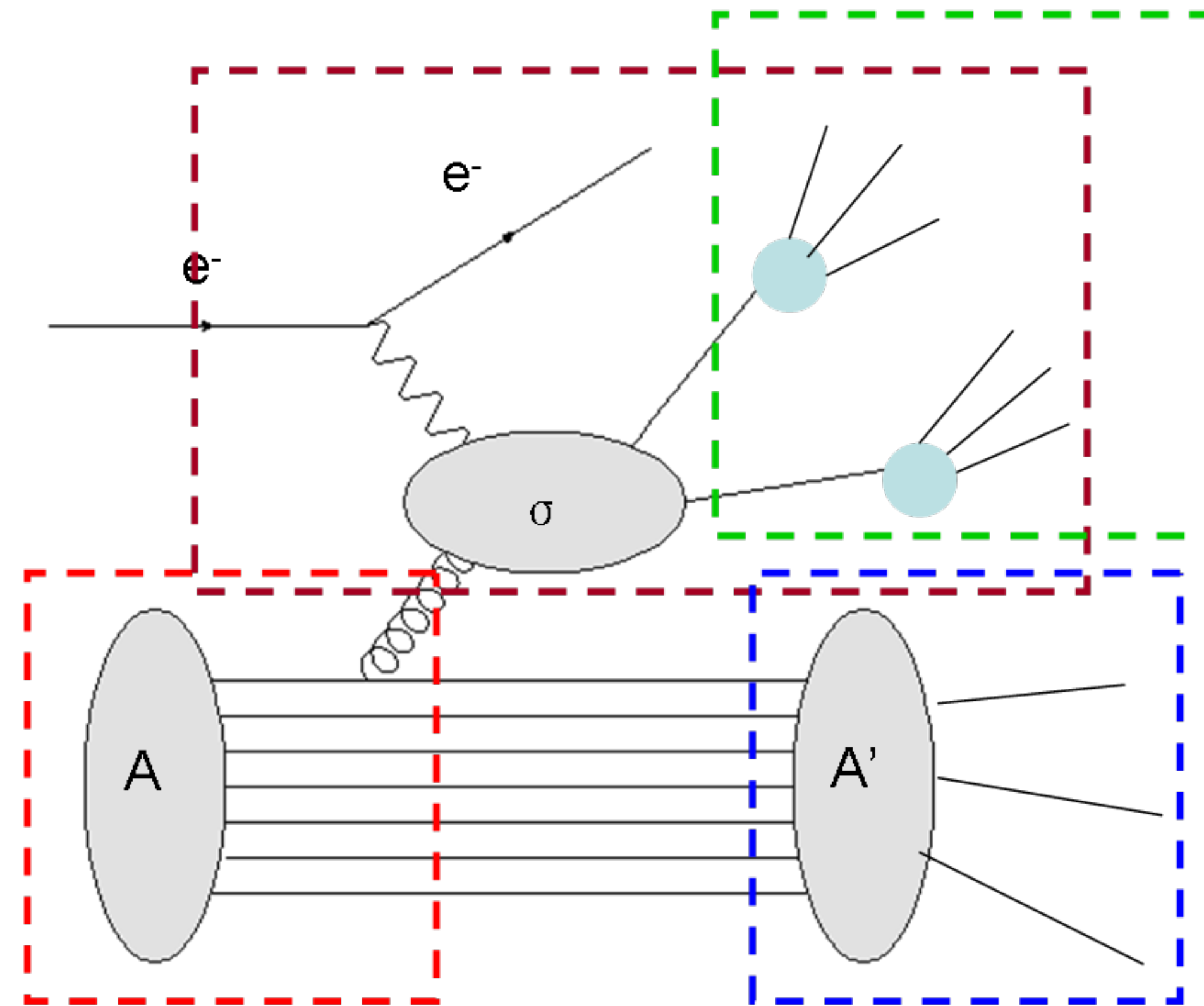
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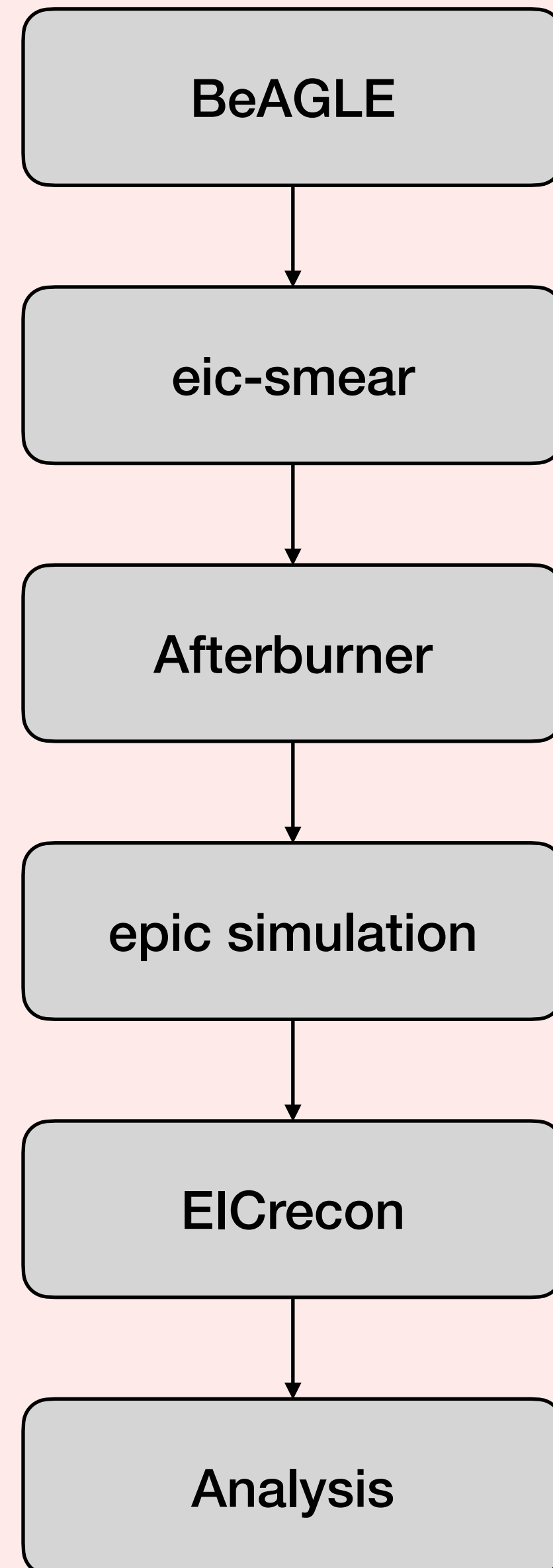
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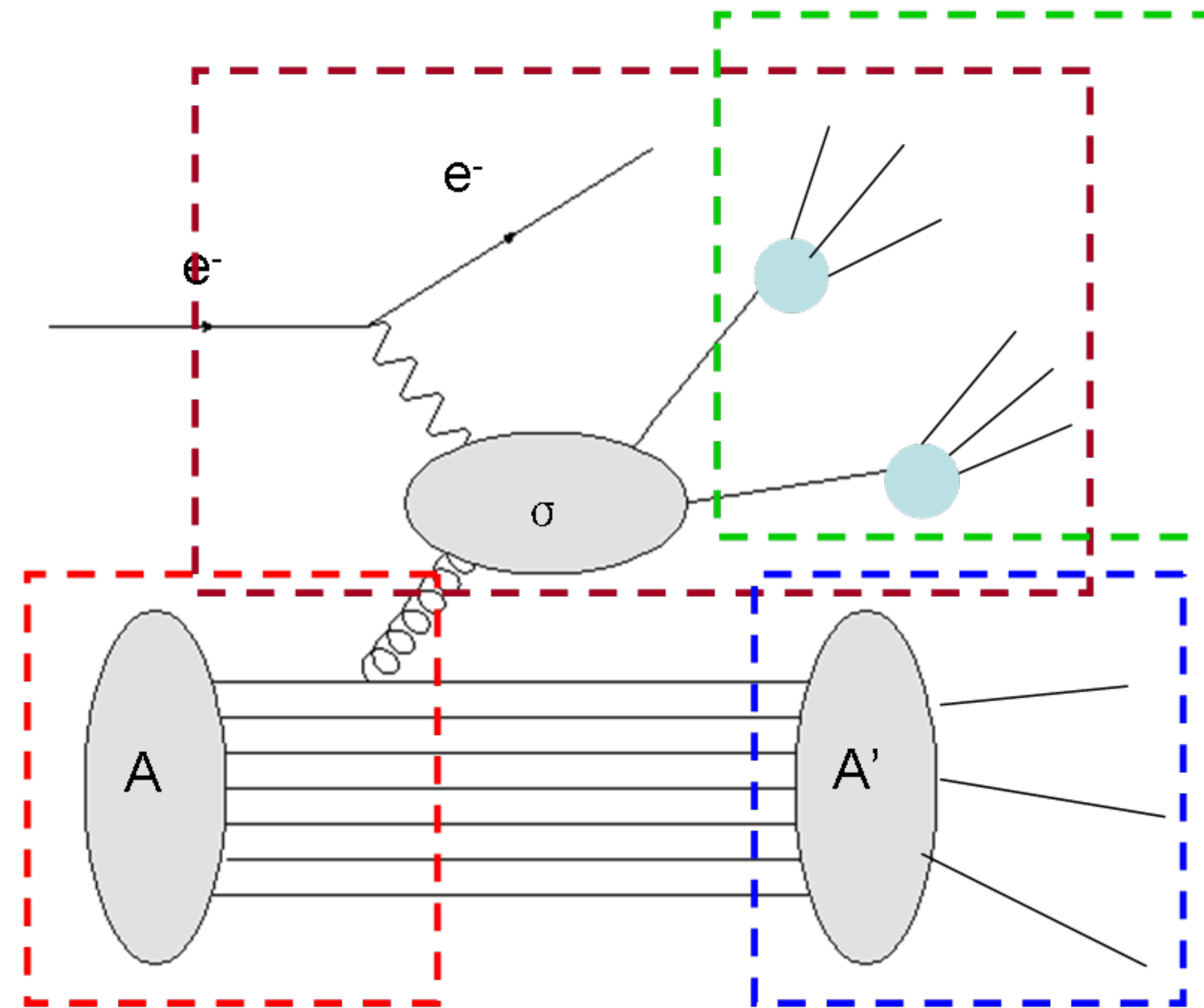
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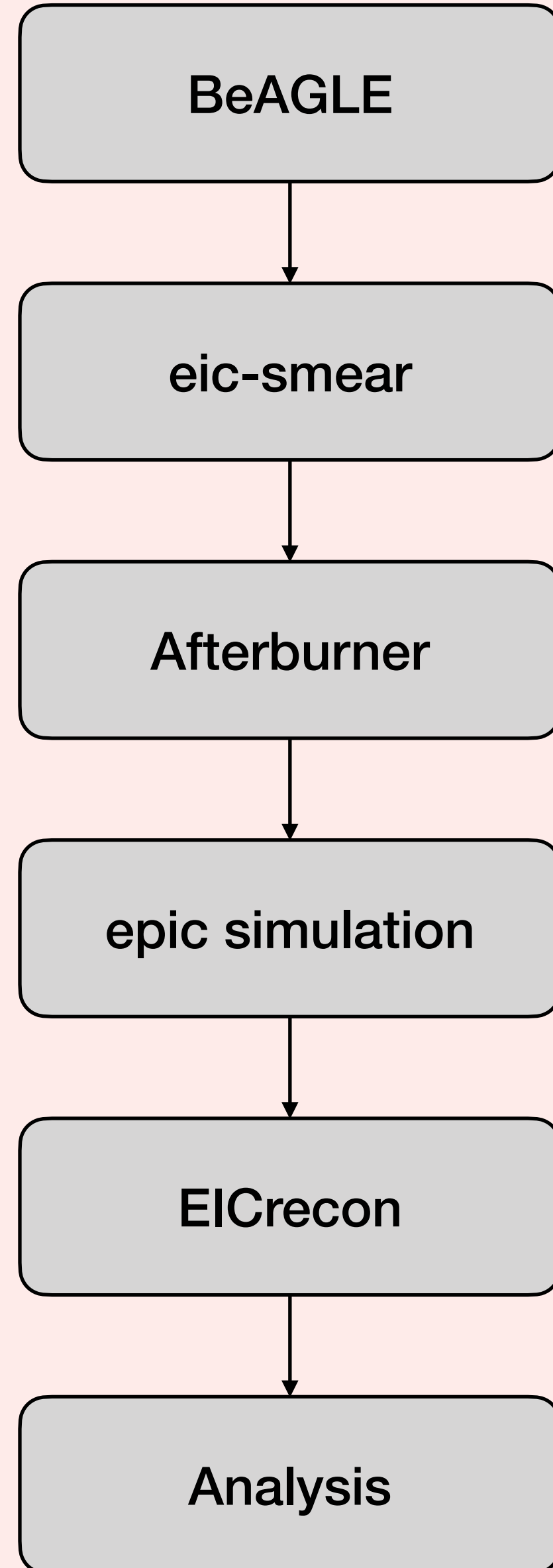
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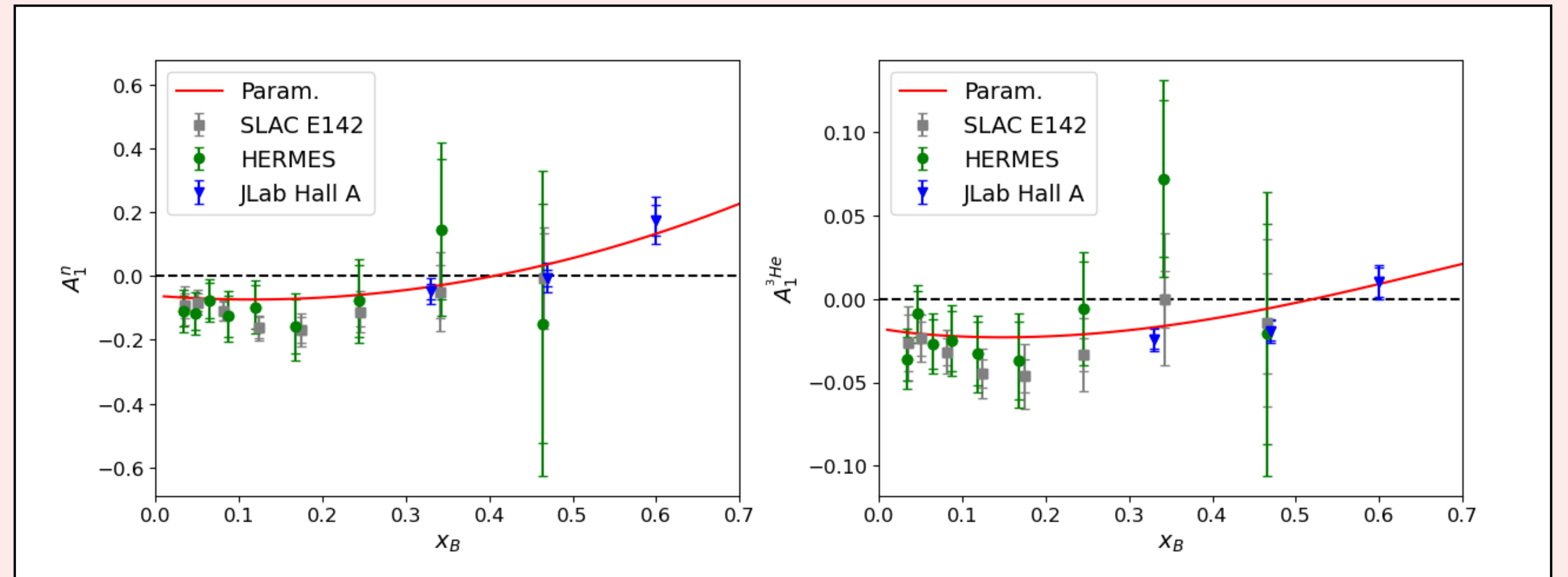
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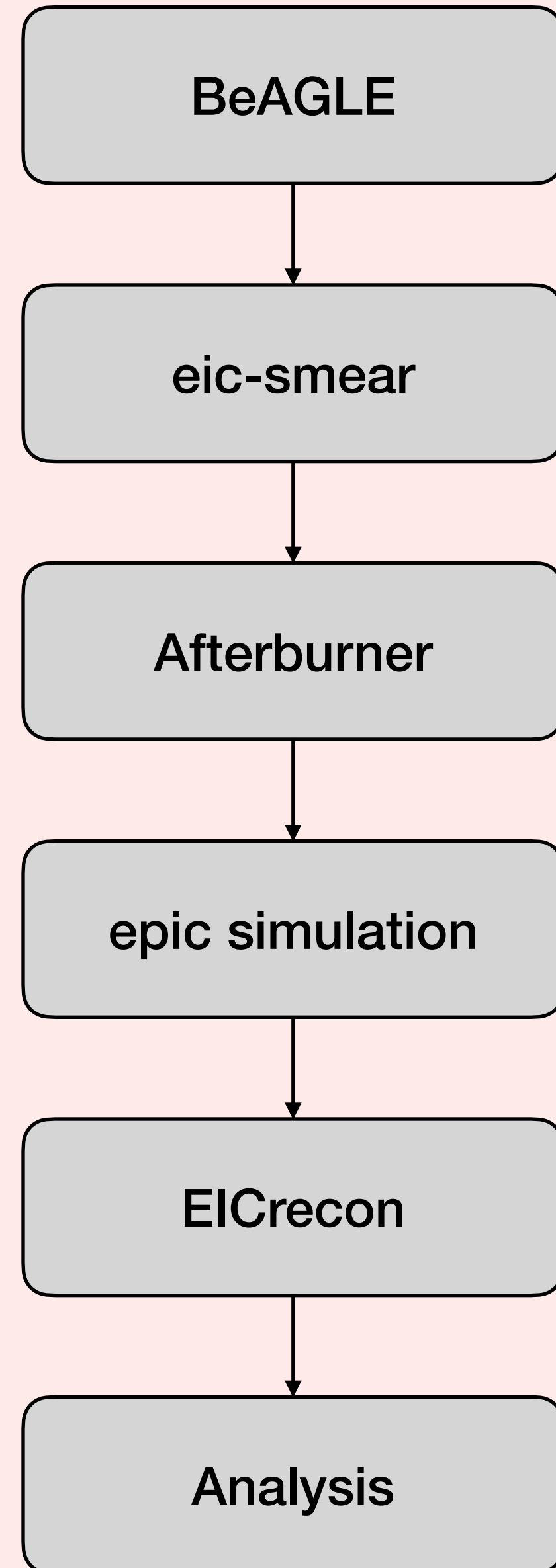
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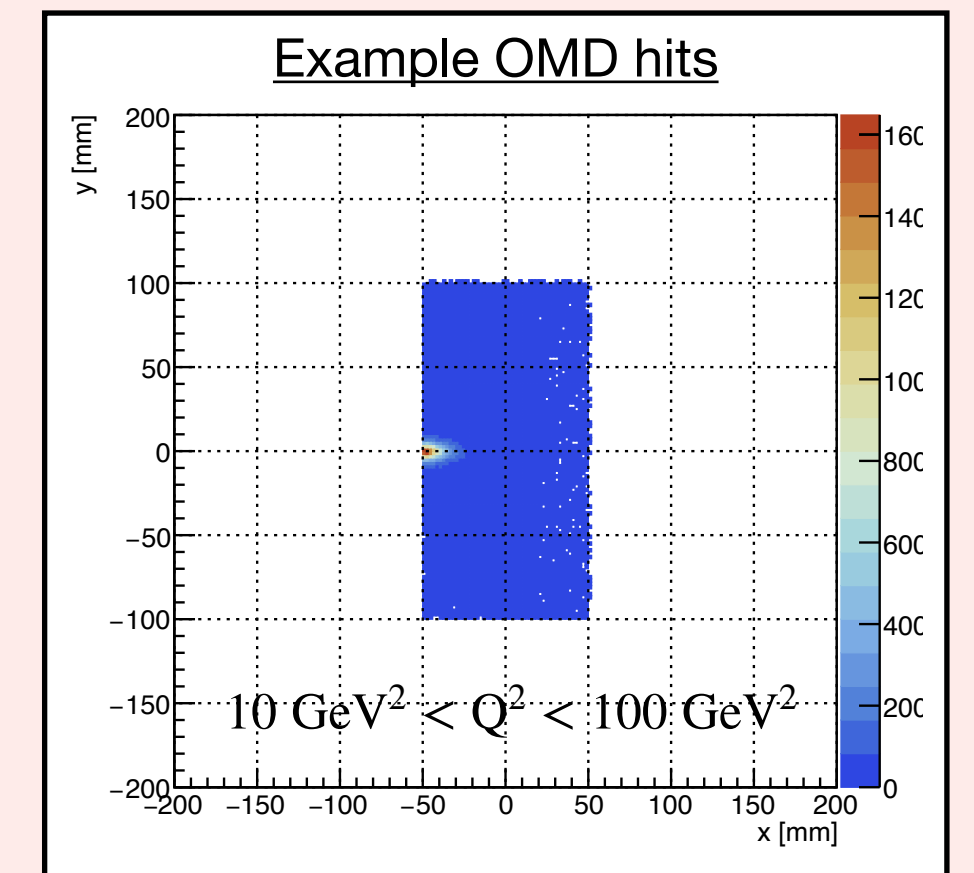
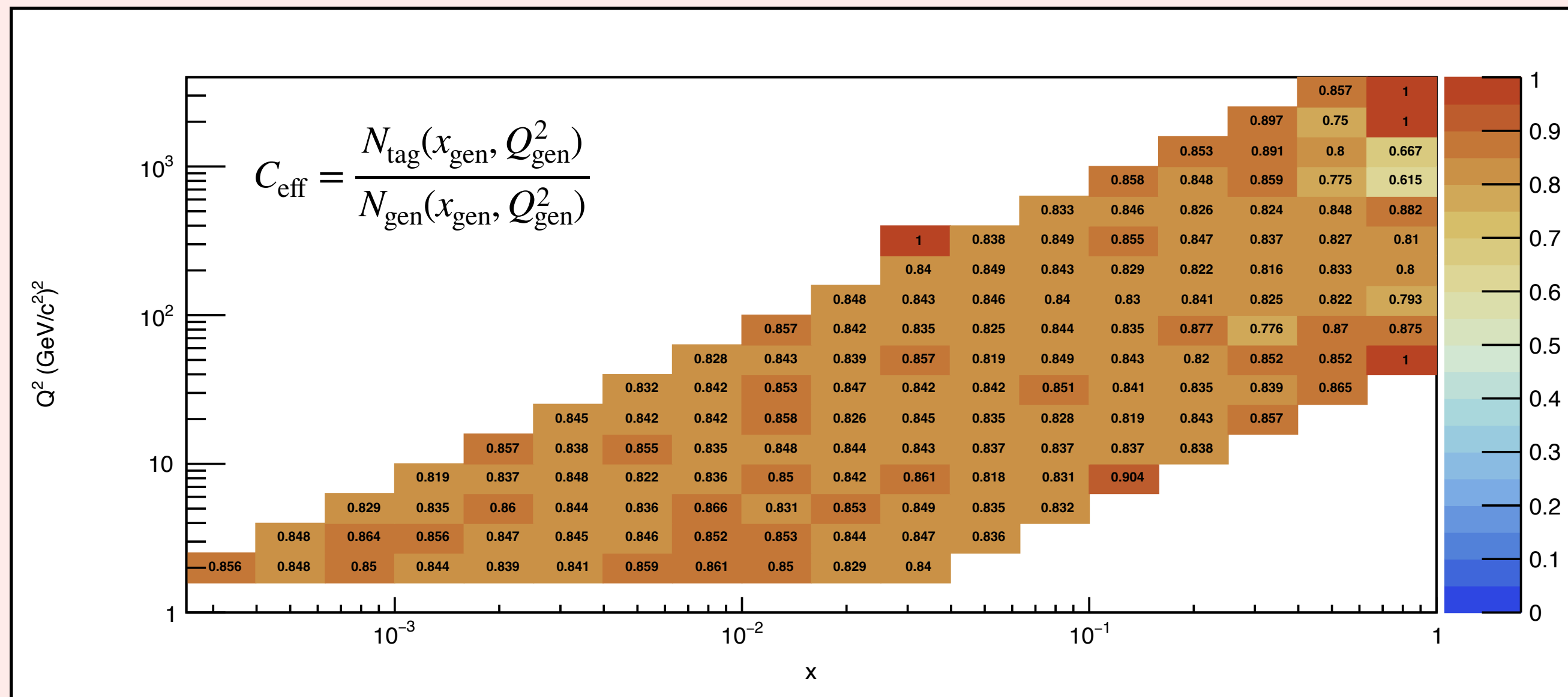
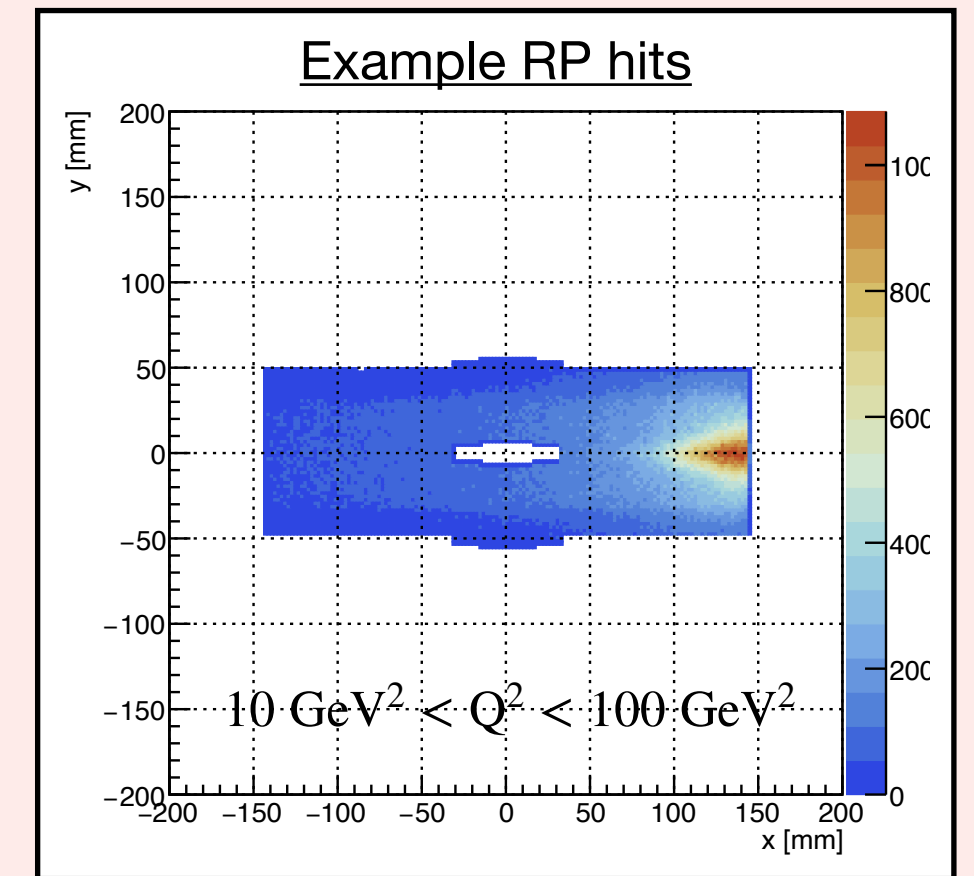
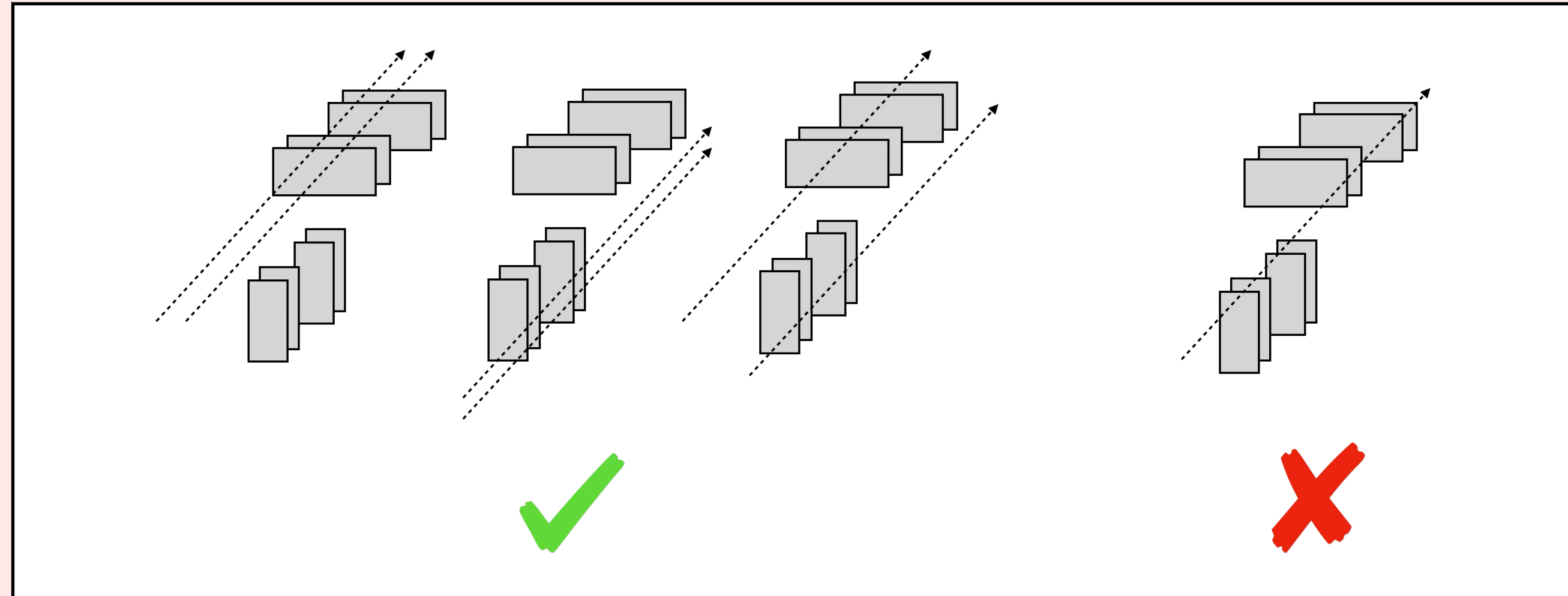
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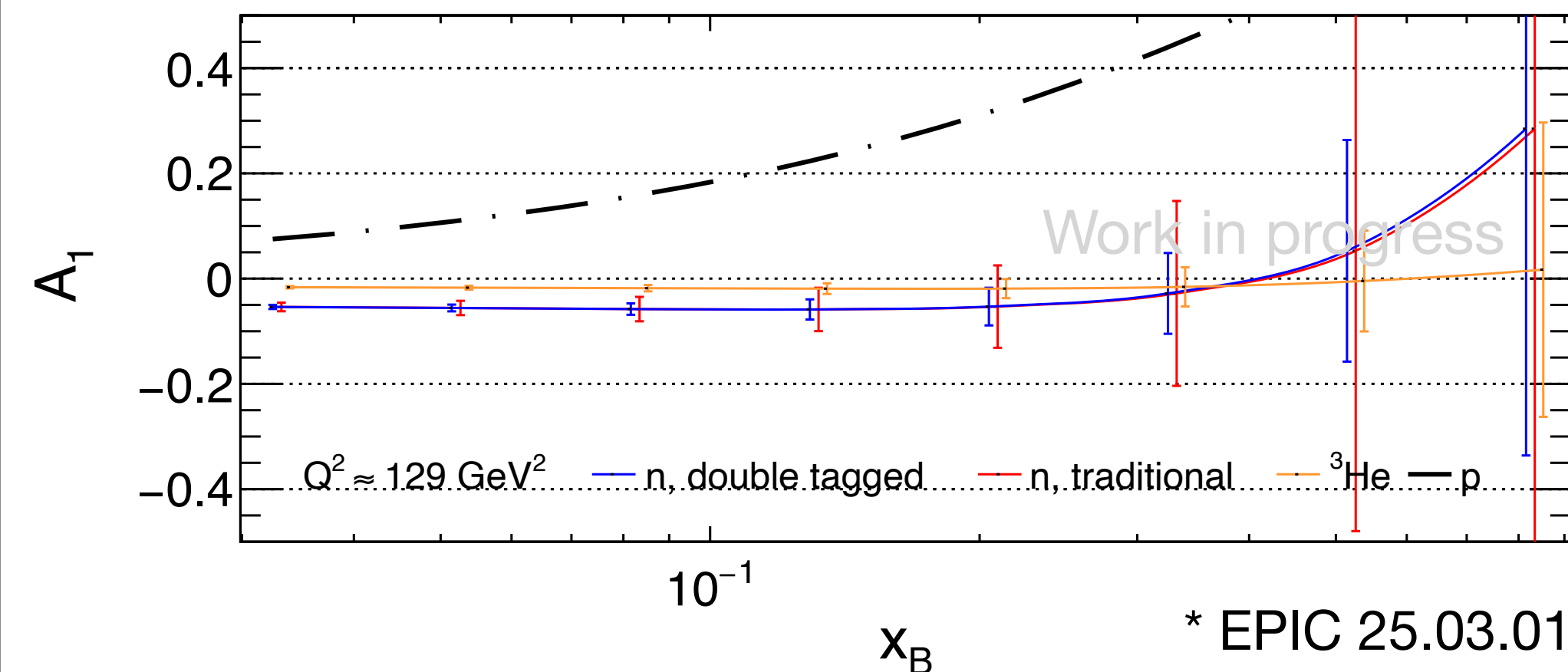
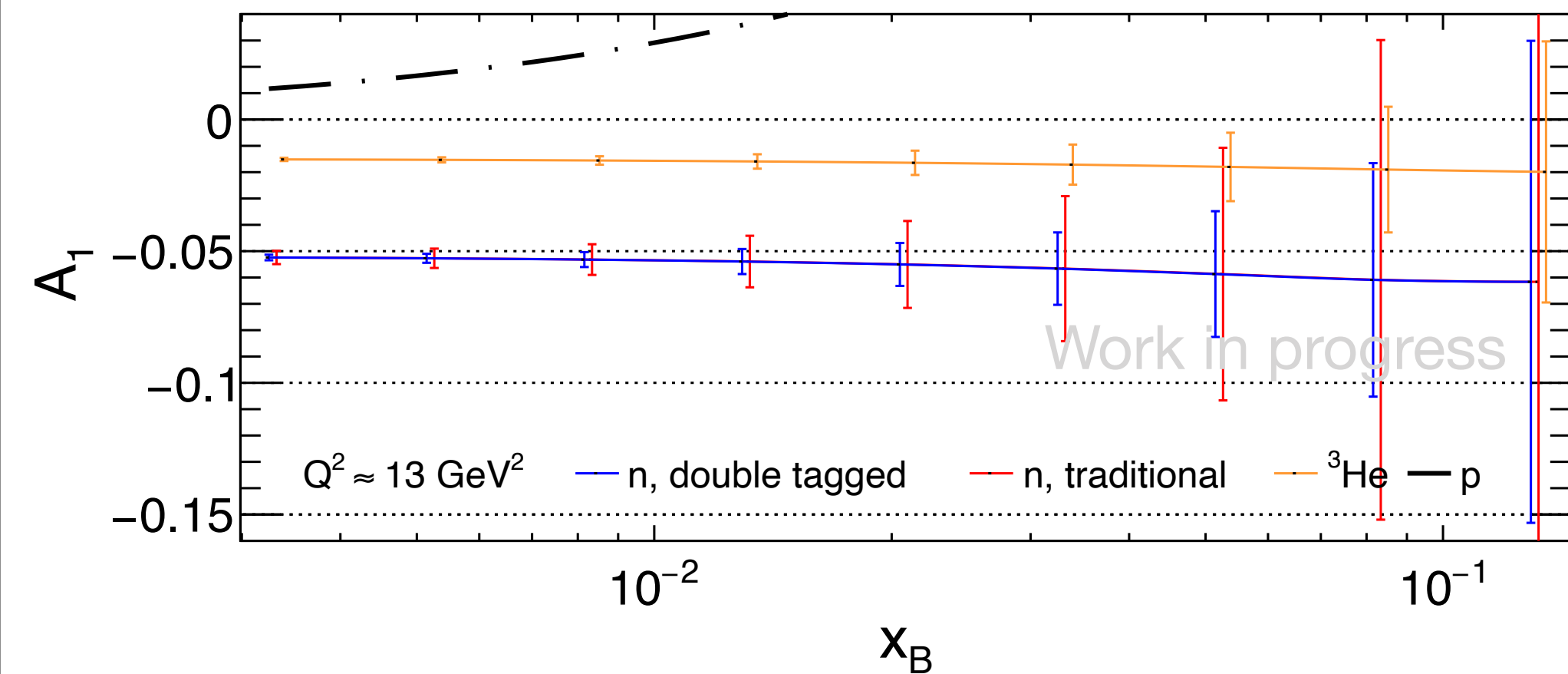
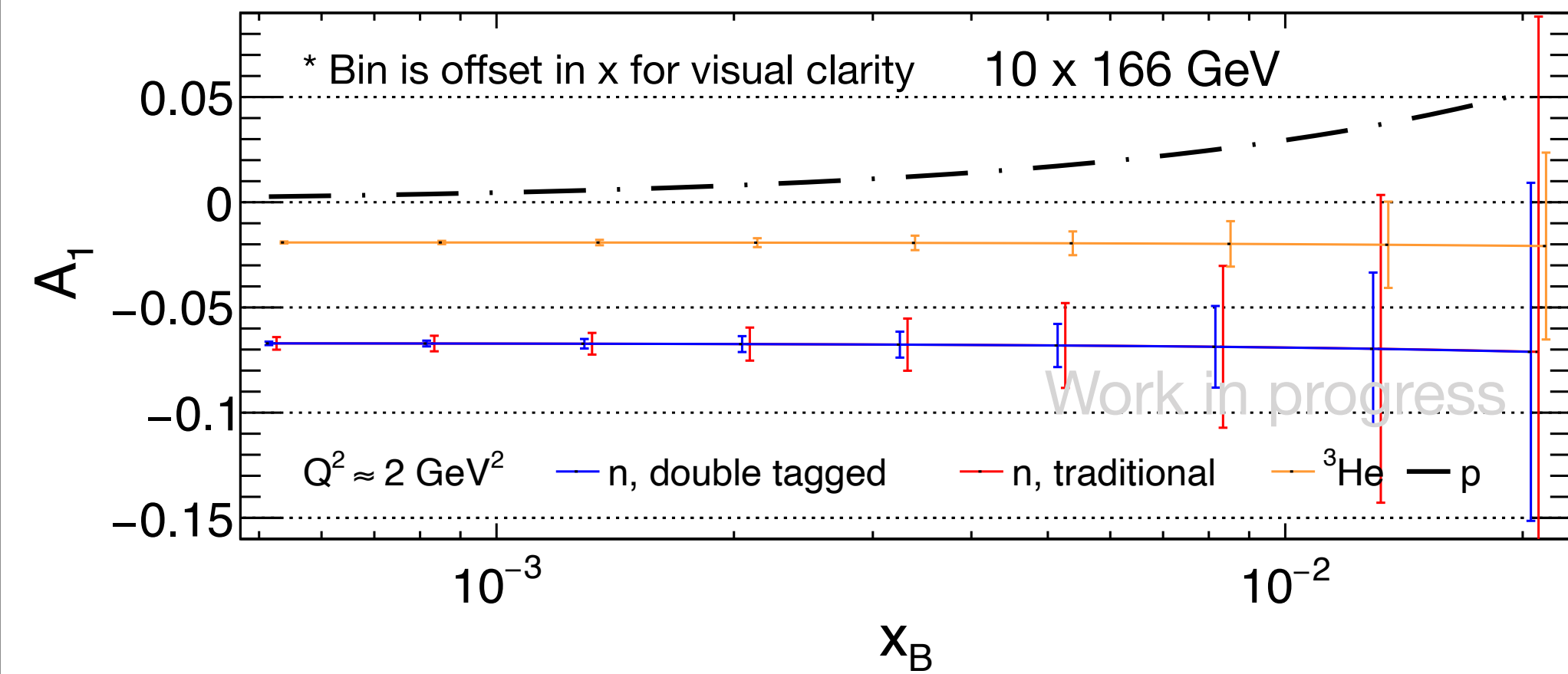


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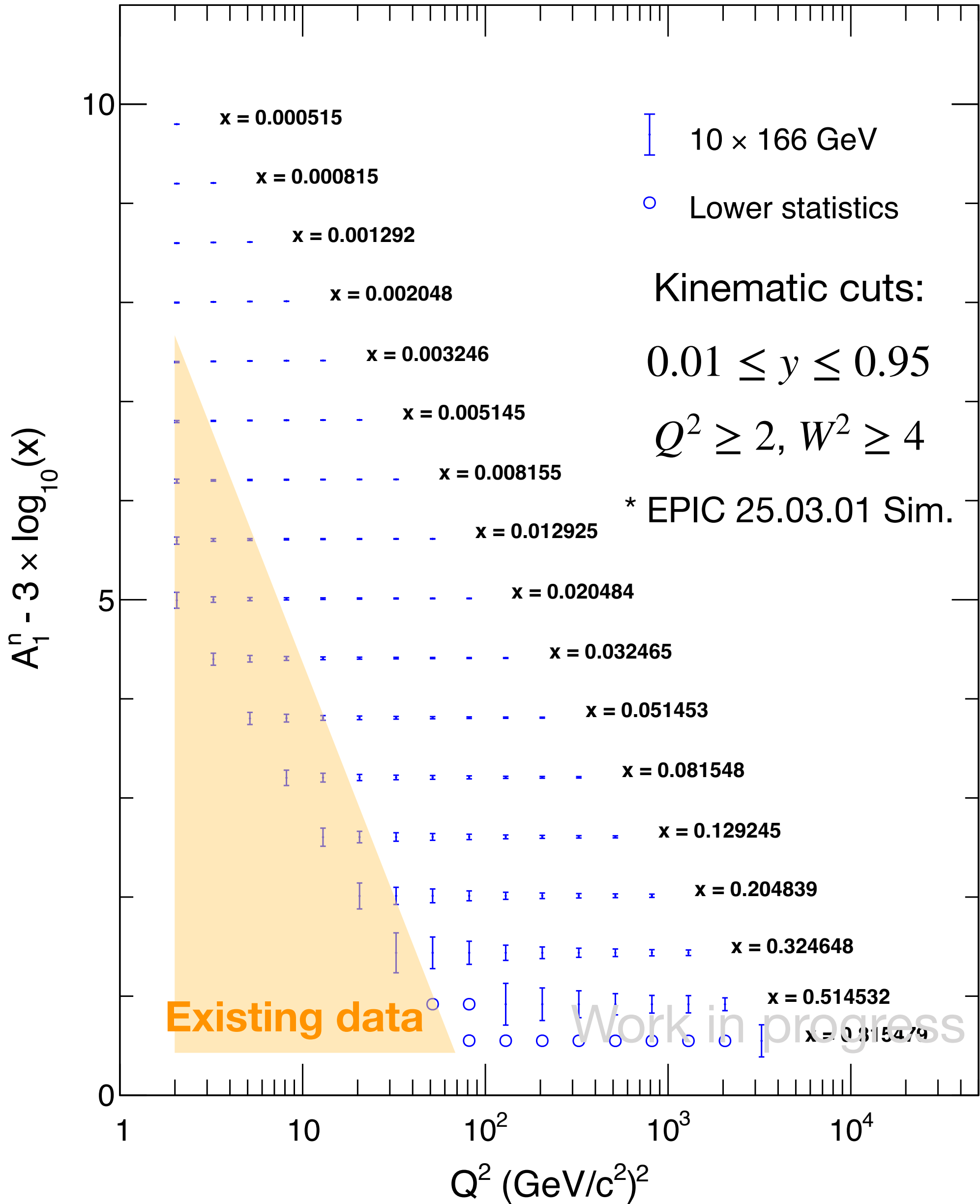
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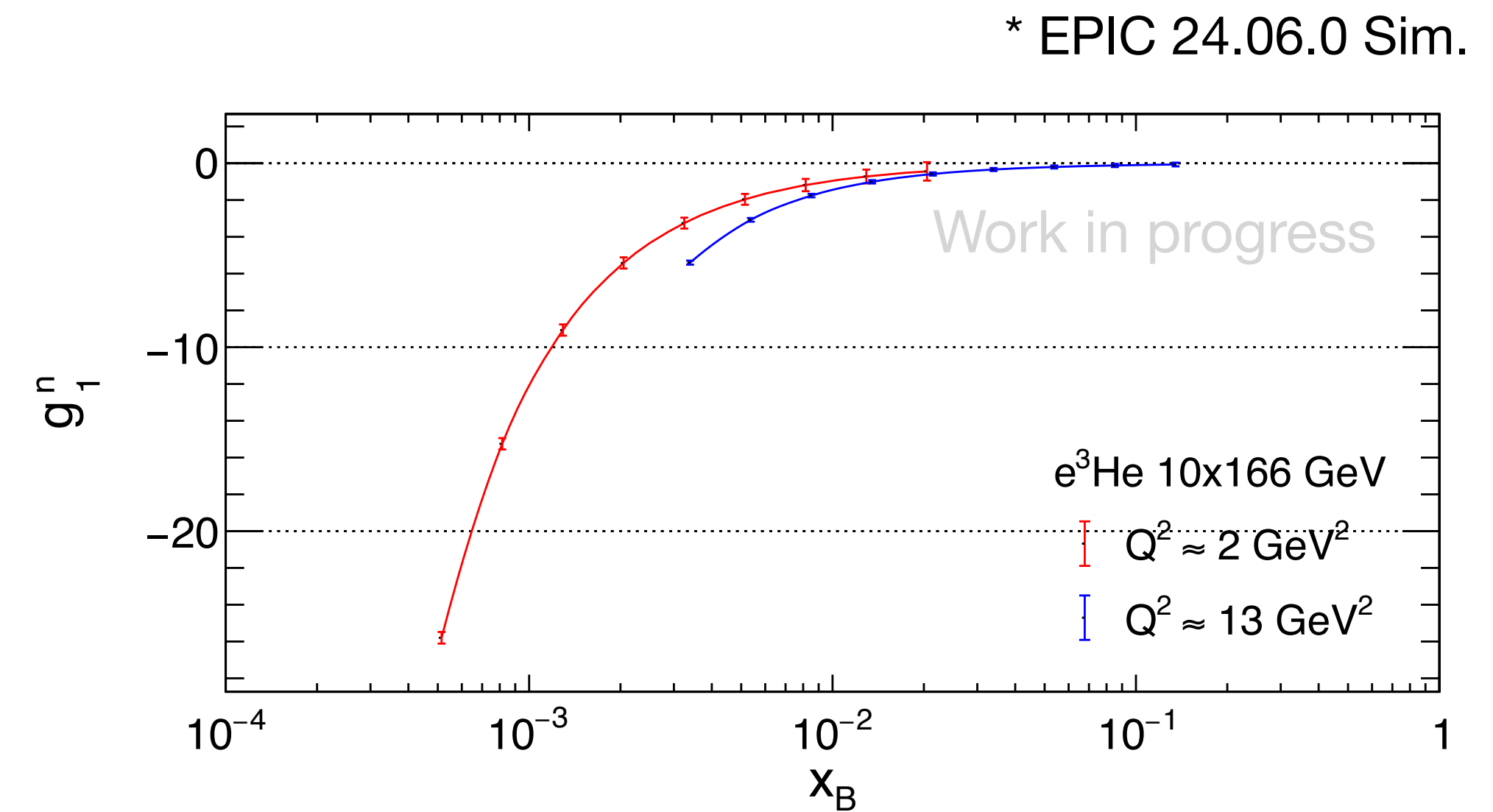
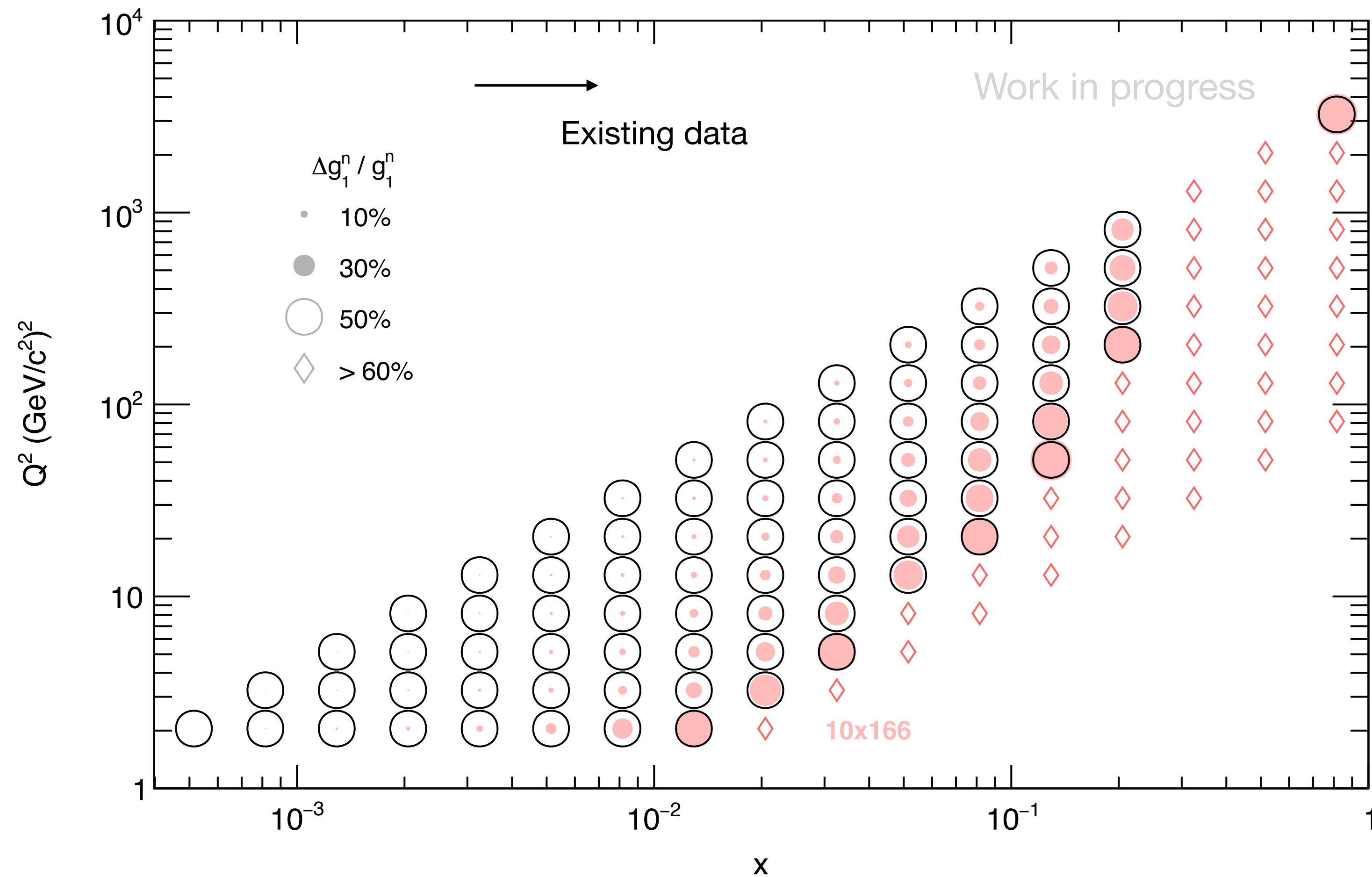
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	Species	Energy (GeV)	Luminosity/year (fb ⁻¹)	Electron polarization	p/A polarization
YEAR 1	e+Ru or e+Cu	10 x 115	0.9	NO (Commissioning)	N/A
YEAR 2	e+D e+p	10 x 130	11.4 4.95 - 5.33	LONG	NO TRANS
YEAR 3	e+p	10 x 130	4.95 - 5.33	LONG	TRANS and/or LONG
YEAR 4	e+Au e+p	10 x 100 10 x 250	0.84 6.19 - 9.18	LONG	N/A TRANS and/or LONG
YEAR 5	e+Au e+ ³ He	10 x 100 10 x 166	0.84 8.65	LONG	N/A TRANS and/or LONG

Note: the eA luminosity is per nucleon



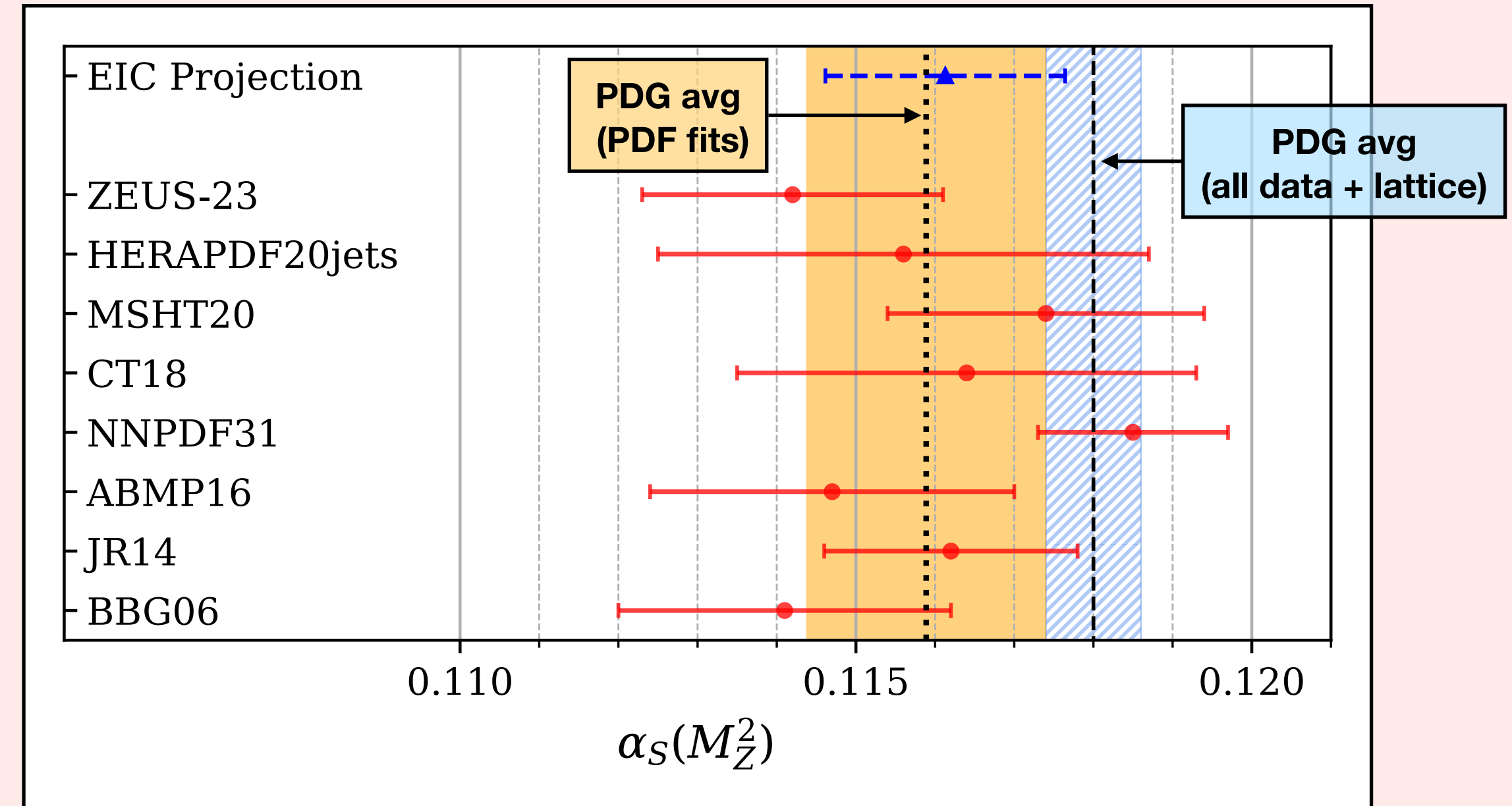
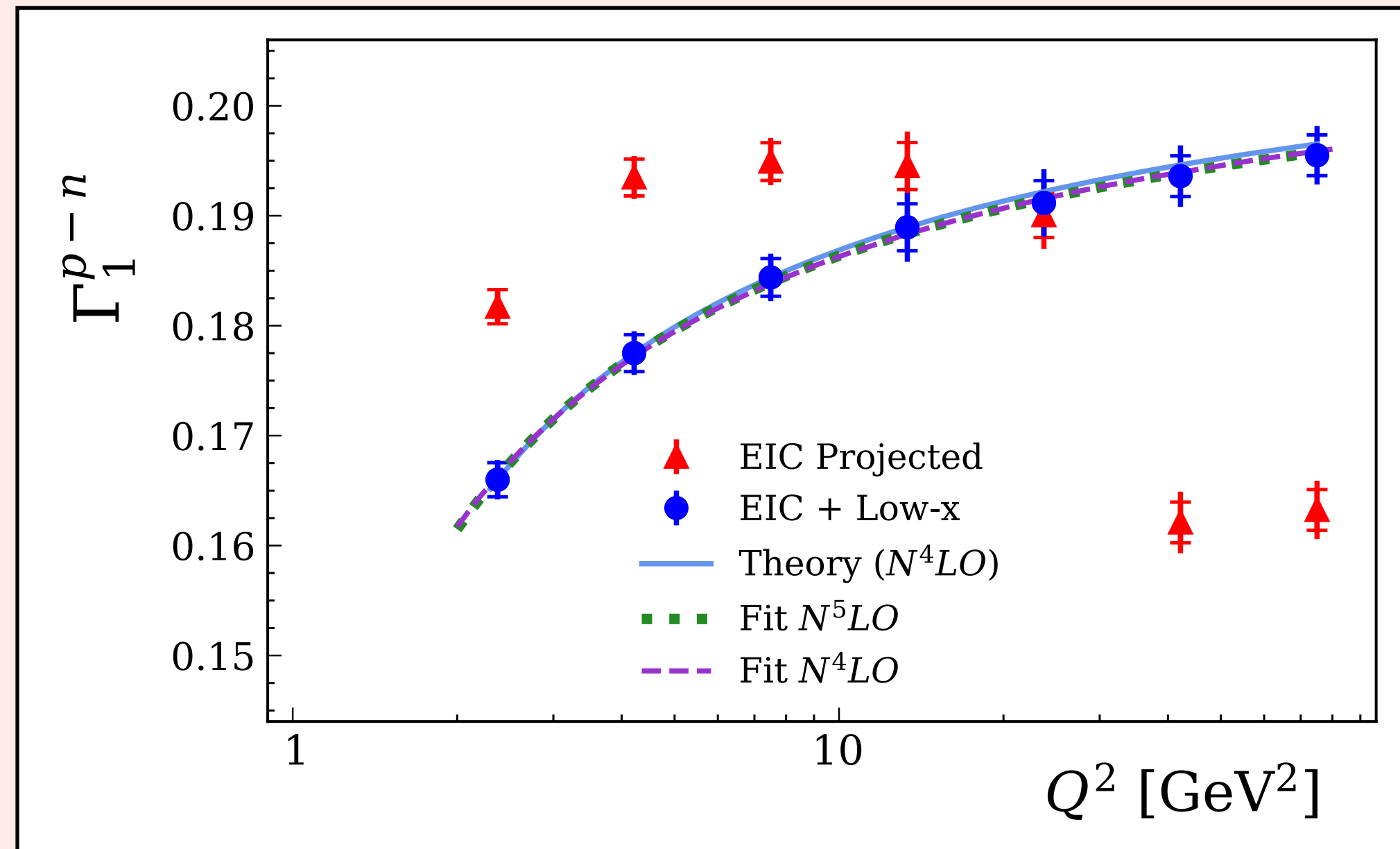
- $A_1 \approx g_1/F_1$ with F_1 calculated from JAM22
- Statistical uncertainties only



More energies for e and ^3He are available after year 5 of EIC running

$$\Gamma_1^{p-n}(\alpha_s) = \Gamma_1^{p-n}(Q^2) = \int_0^1 (g_1^p(Q^2) - g_1^n(Q^2)) dx = \sum_{n>0} \frac{\mu_{2n}^{p-n}(\alpha_s)}{Q^{2n-2}}$$

$$= \frac{g_A}{6} \left[1 - \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{\pi} - 3.58 \left(\frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{\pi} \right)^2 - 20.21 \left(\frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{\pi} \right)^3 - 175.7 \left(\frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{\pi} \right)^4 - \mathcal{O}((\alpha_s)^5) \right] \text{ at finite } Q^2$$



Assume $\mathcal{L} = 10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ for each setting:

5x41, 10x100, 18x275 ep DIS

5x41, 10x100, 18x166 en DIS

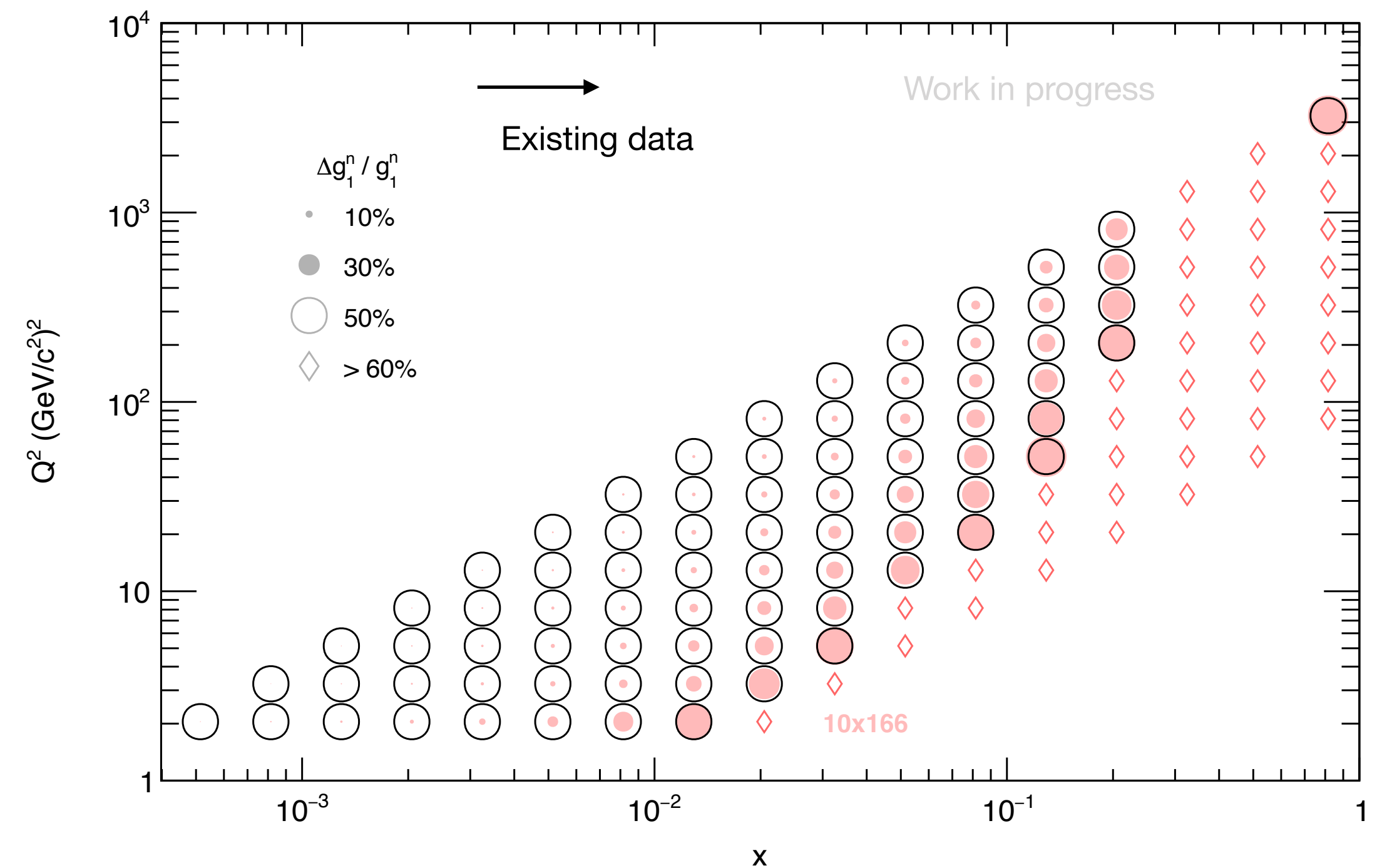
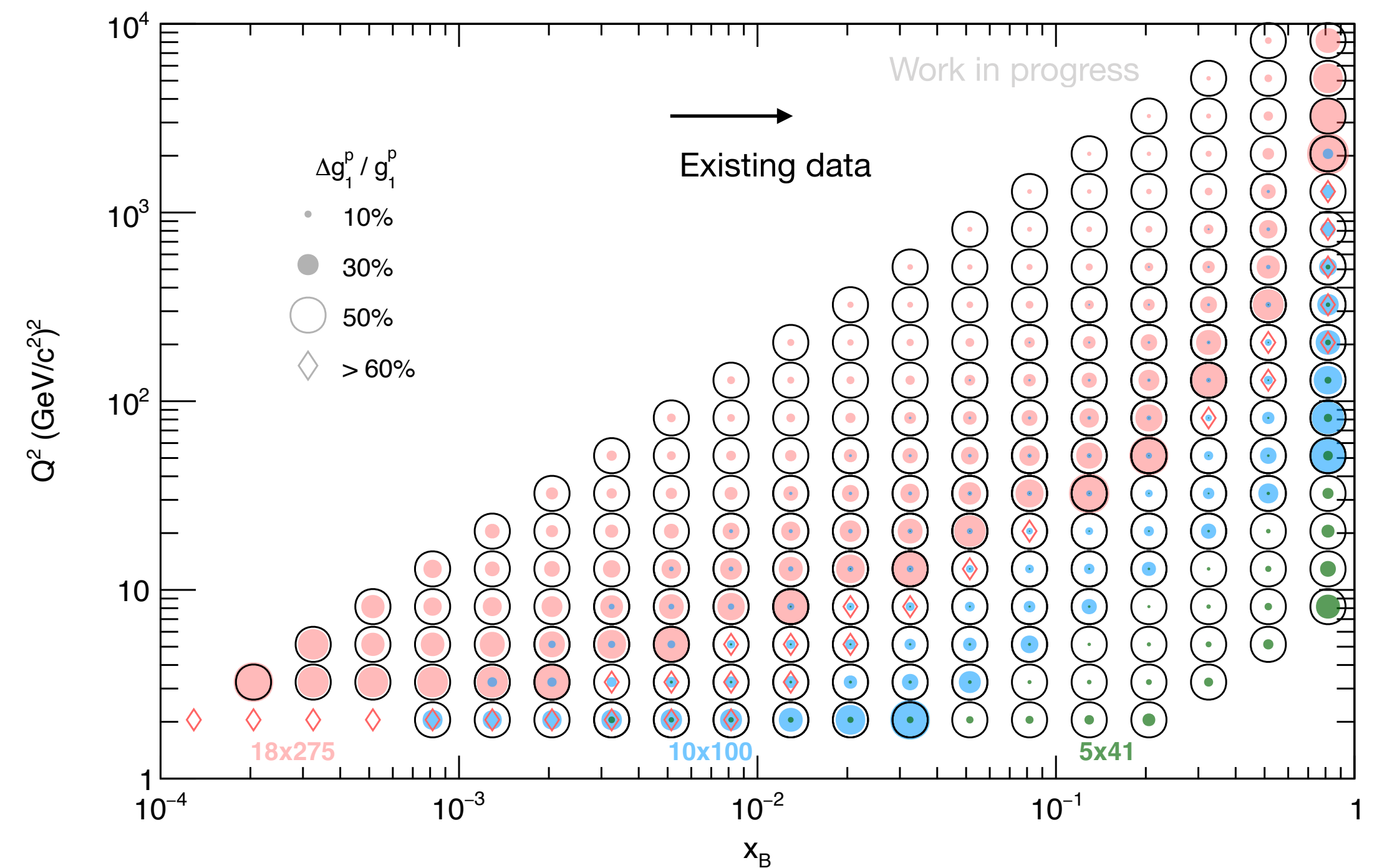
<https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevD.110.074004>

$$\Delta\alpha_s(M_Z)/\alpha_s(M_Z) = 1.3 \%$$

Summary

- New g_1 measurement at EIC will help investigate the quark and gluon spin contributions to the nucleon spin
- Both g_1^p and g_1^n will be measured; double tagging method will help constrain model uncertainty and test light nuclei model
- EIC will be able to measure g_1 at low x region which has not been explored
- g_1^p and g_1^n lead to Bjorken sum which will provide a new high precision measurement on the α_s

Thank you!



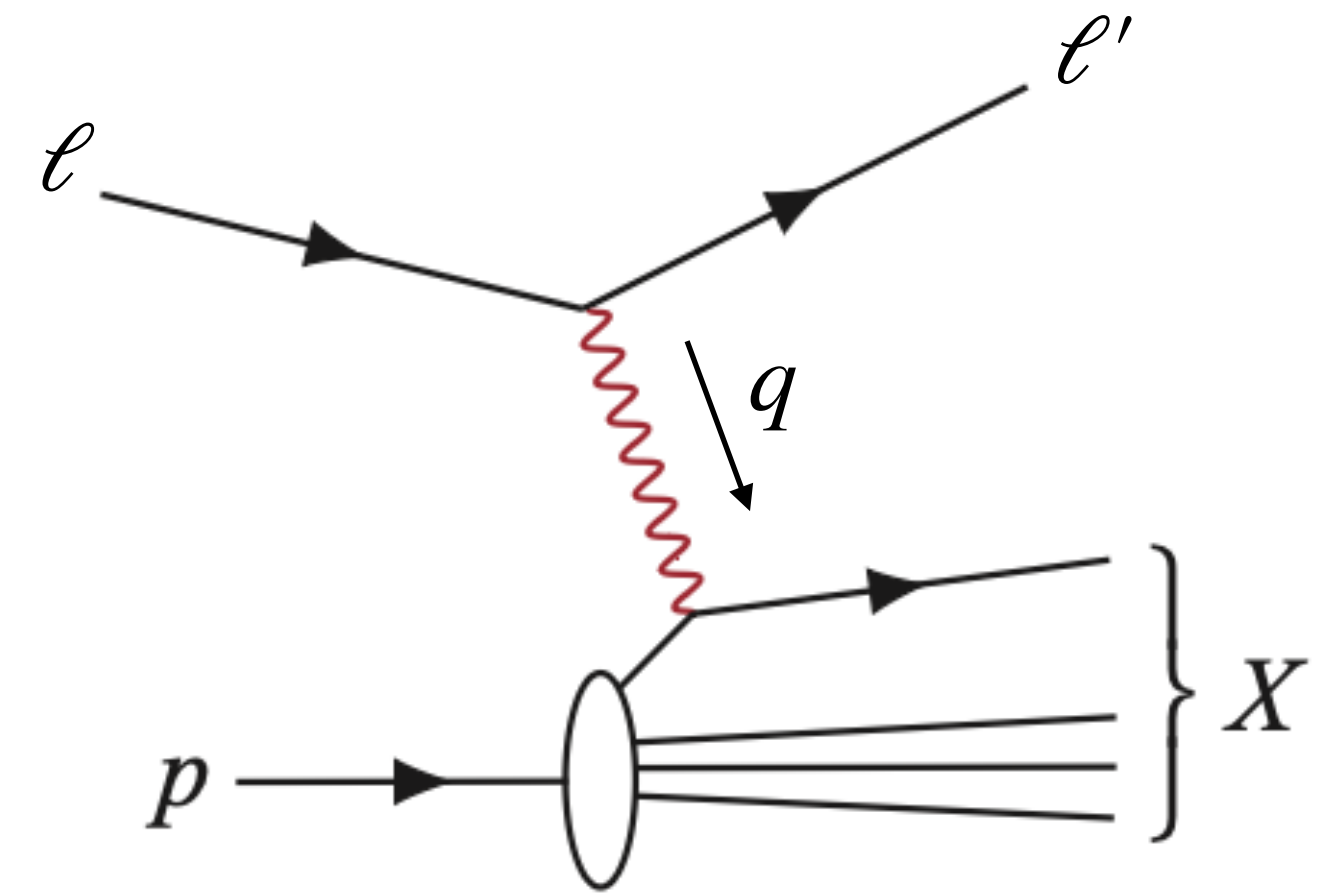
$$\frac{d^3\Delta\sigma(\beta)}{dQ^2 dx d\phi} = \frac{4\alpha^2}{Q^2} y \left\{ \cos\beta \left[\left(1 - \frac{y}{2} - \frac{\gamma^2 y^2}{4}\right) g_1(x, Q^2) - \frac{\gamma^2 y}{4} g_2(x, Q^2) \right] - \cos\phi \sin\beta \frac{\sqrt{Q^2}}{\nu} \left(1 - y - \frac{\gamma^2 y^2}{4}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[\frac{y}{2} g_1(x, Q^2) + g_2(x, Q^2) \right] \right\}$$

- Direct measurement is more challenging
- Easier to measure via cross section ratio
- Systematic is largely canceled out

$$g_1 = \frac{F_2}{2x(1+R)} (A_1 + \gamma A_2)$$

$$A_1(x, Q^2) \equiv \frac{\sigma_{1/2} - \sigma_{3/2}}{\sigma_{1/2} + \sigma_{3/2}} = \frac{A_{\parallel}}{D(1 + \eta\xi)} - \frac{\eta A_{\perp}}{d(1 + \eta\xi)}$$

$$A_2(x, Q^2) \equiv \frac{2\sigma_{LT}}{\sigma_{1/2} + \sigma_{3/2}} = \frac{\xi A_{\parallel}}{D(1 + \eta\xi)} - \frac{A_{\perp}}{d(1 + \eta\xi)}$$



NC Inclusive DIS: $e + p \rightarrow e' + X$

<https://arxiv.org/abs/2103.05419>

