

PanScales: the quest for precision across scales

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Intro: event generators for high-energy collisions

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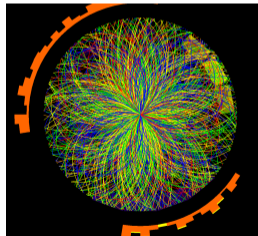
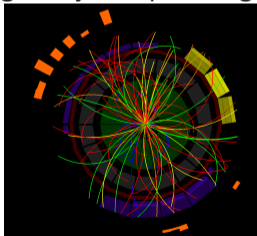
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source: Alice
pp(left), *PbPb*(right)

Even for simple pheno processes this quickly grows out of control

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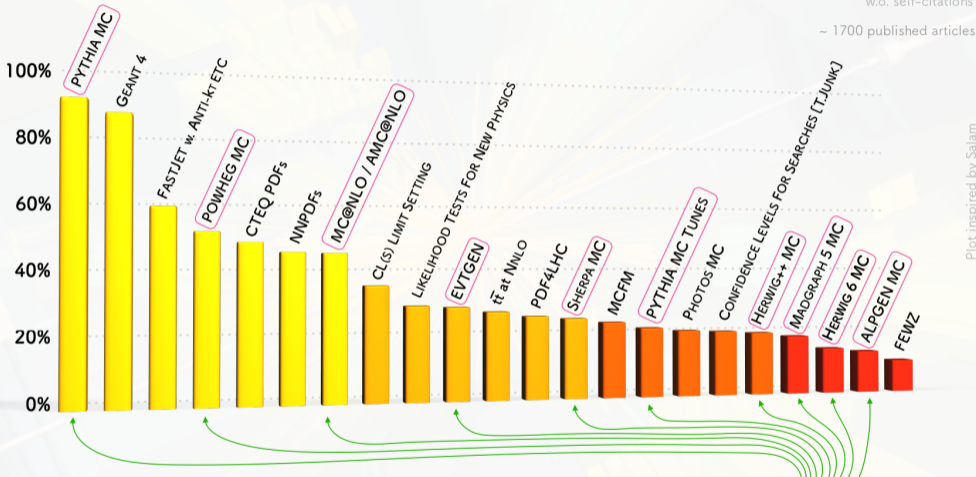
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Basic message #1: Event Generators are among us!

- % of ATLAS+CMS+LHCb papers citing some article/group in Jan '14 → May '20

w.o. self-citations

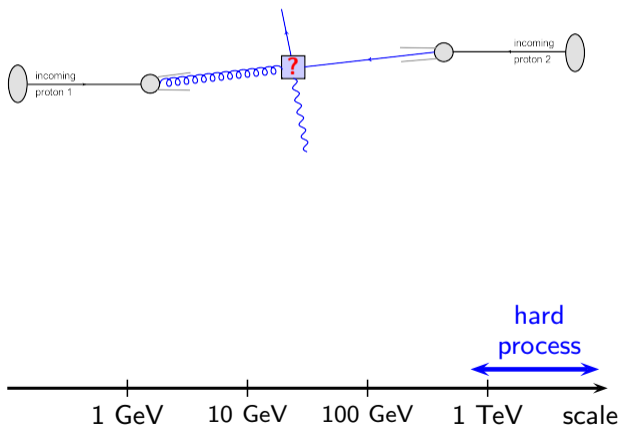
- 1700 published articles



- PS MC is a central, everyday, part of the LHC physics programme

[plot by Keith Hamilton]

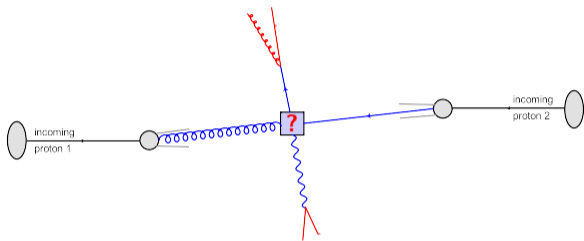
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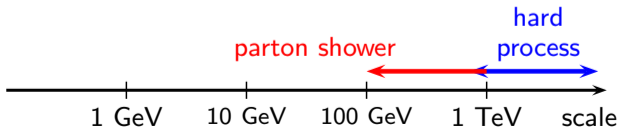
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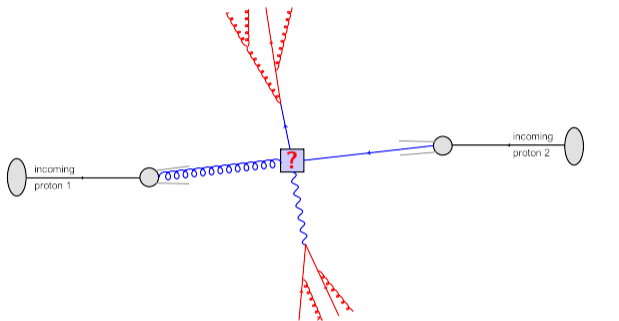


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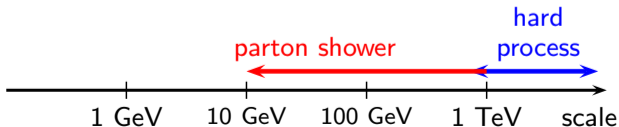


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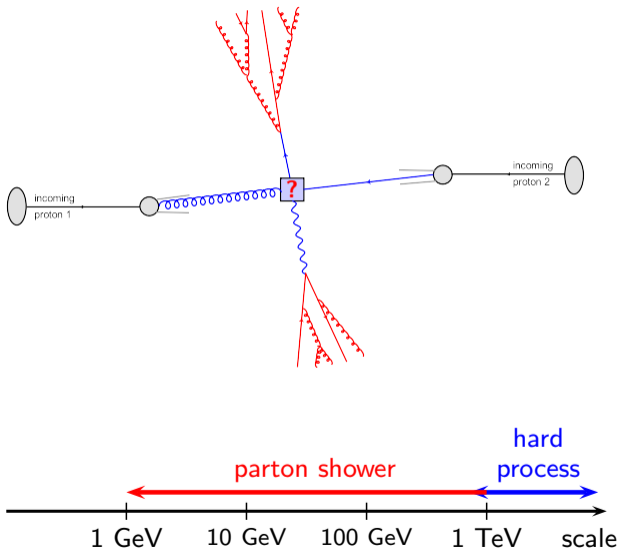


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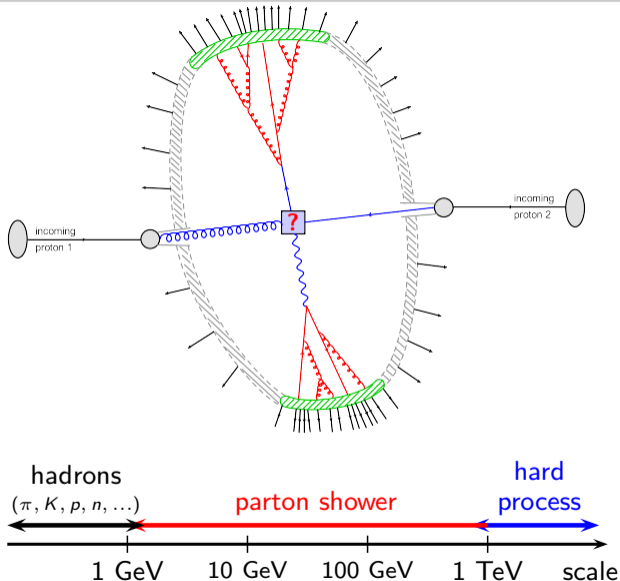
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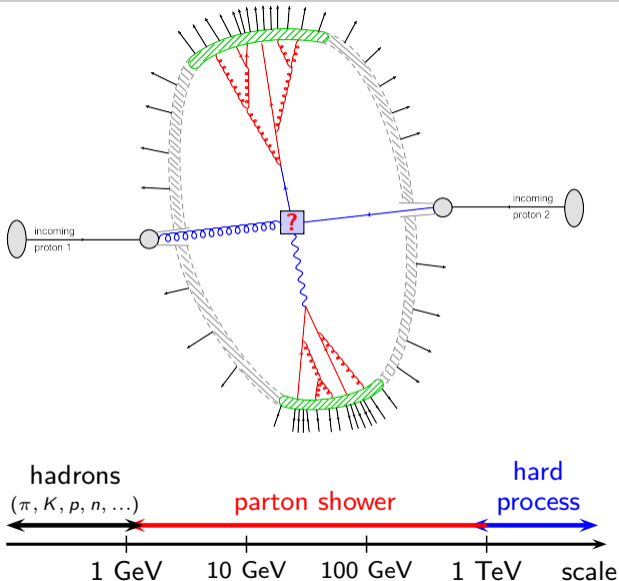
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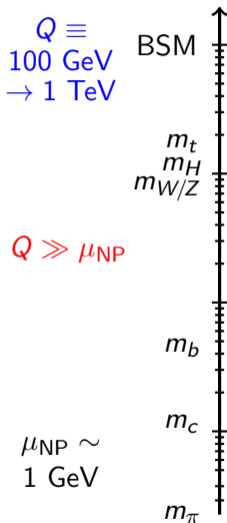
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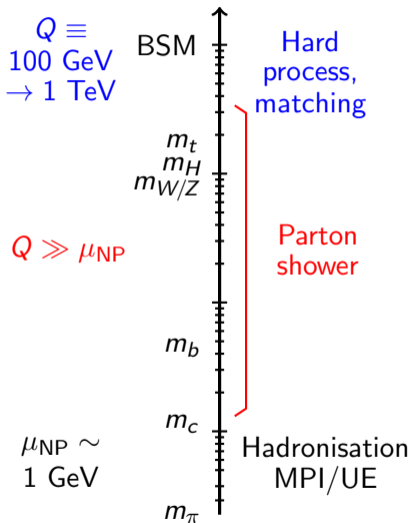
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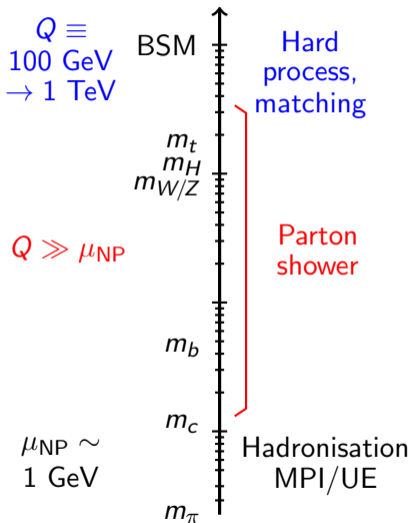
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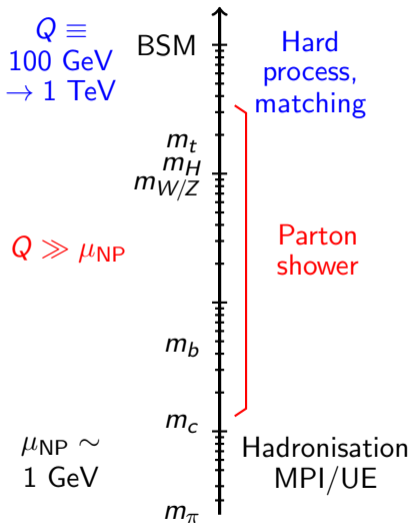
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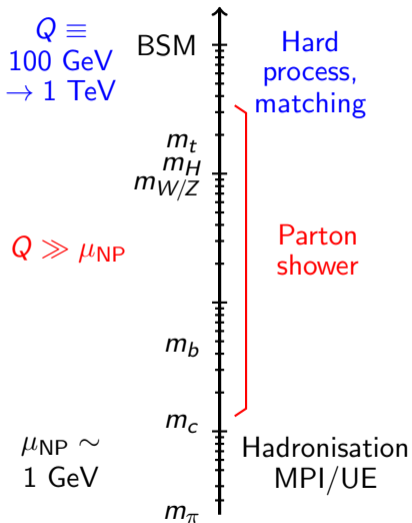
accuracy means logarithmic

LL, NLL, N²LL, ...

well-defined & systematically improvable

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A lot of work in past 20 years:

- “Amplitudes”
- MadGraph, aMC@NLO, POWHEG, MCFM, ...
- MLM, CKKW, Mi(N)NLO, UNNLOPS, Geneva, ...

- Historical showers: Pythia, Herwig, Sherpa
- More recent work: Dire, Vincia, Deductor, Alaric, **PanScales...**

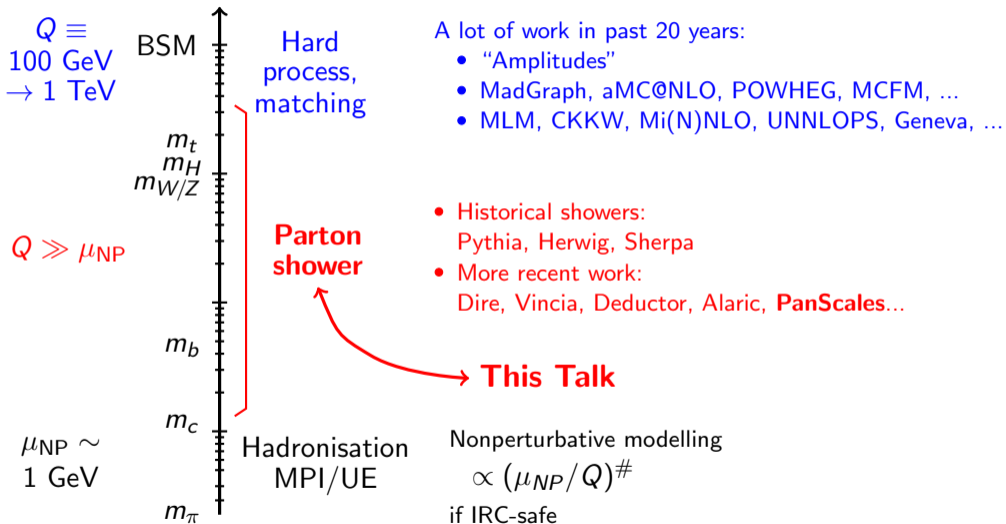
Nonperturbative modelling

$$\propto (\mu_{NP}/Q)^\#$$

if IRC-safe

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Main advantage: versatility

- “realistic” and very generic aspects of all-purpose generators
(including combination with detector simulation)
- broad range of analyses (any phase-space cut, observable, ...)

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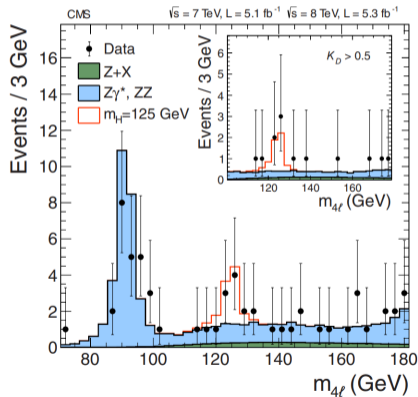
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Background (and signal) estimate

Example:

$$H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$$

[CMS, arXiv:1207.7235]



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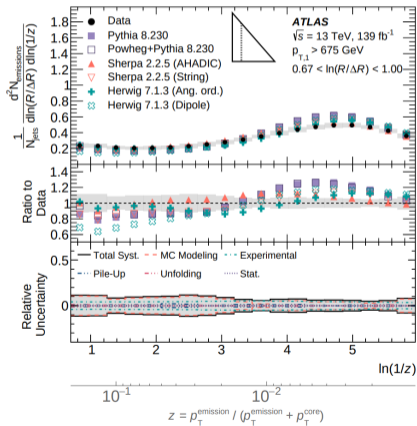
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Measurements

Idea: data v. MC

- allows the use of MC as modelling tool
- helps developing better MC



[ATLAS, arXiv:2004.03540]

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Tool to estimate uncertainties

Example:
top mass measurement
[ATLAS-CONF-2019-046]

Source	Unc. on m_t [GeV]	Stat. precision [GeV]
Data statistics	0.40	
Signal and background model statistics	0.16	
Monte Carlo generator	0.04	± 0.07
Parton shower and hadronisation	0.07	± 0.07
Initial-state QCD radiation	0.17	± 0.07
Parton shower α_s^{FSR}	0.09	± 0.04
b -quark fragmentation	0.19	± 0.02
HF-hadron production fractions	0.11	± 0.01
HF-hadron decay modelling	0.39	± 0.01
Underlying event	< 0.01	± 0.02
Colour reconnection	< 0.01	± 0.02
Choice of PDFs	0.06	± 0.01
W/Z+jets modelling	0.17	± 0.01
Single top modelling	0.01	± 0.01
Fake lepton modelling ($r \rightarrow W \rightarrow \ell$)	0.06	± 0.02
Soft muon fake modelling	0.15	± 0.03
Jet energy scale	0.12	± 0.02
Soft muon jet p_T calibration	< 0.01	± 0.01
Jet energy resolution	0.07	± 0.05
Jet vertex tagger	< 0.01	± 0.01
b -tagging	0.10	± 0.01
Leptons	0.12	± 0.00
Missing transverse momentum modelling	0.15	± 0.01
Pile-up	0.20	± 0.05
Luminosity	< 0.01	± 0.01
Total systematic uncertainty	0.67	± 0.04
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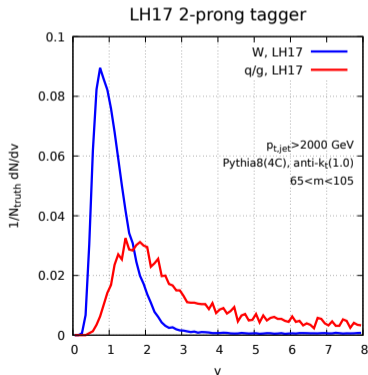
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Long list of applications:

- New tools & observables (incl. substructure)
- Comparison to analytics
- Comparison to data
- BSM models

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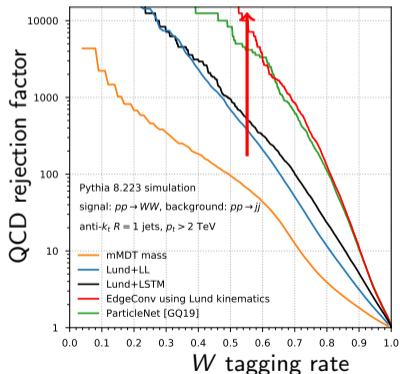
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Machine
learning

- Deep Learning increasingly used at the LHC
- Training often done on MCs
- Shows interesting performance
- Example: boosted $W \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ v. QCD jet

[plot from Frederic Dreyer]



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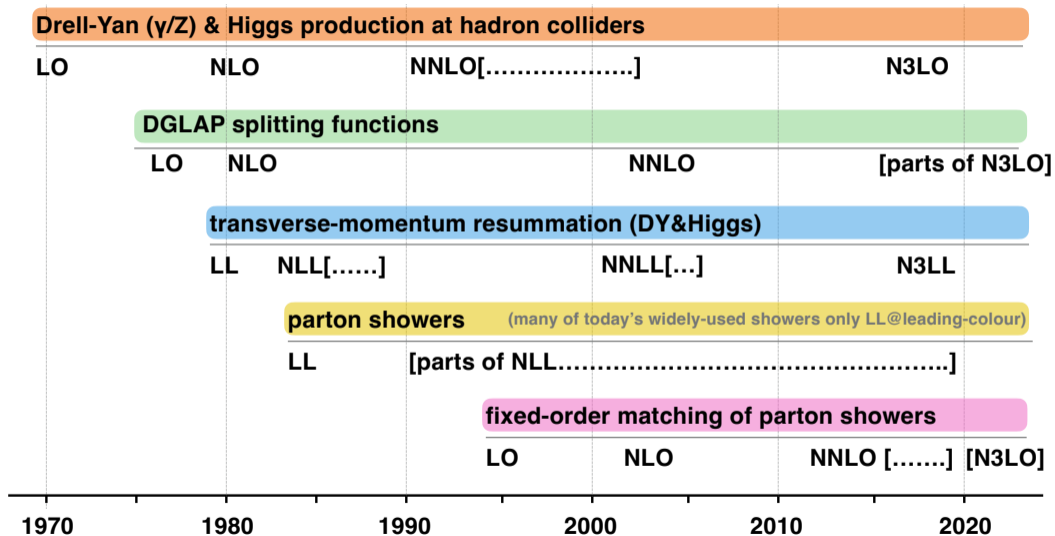
A key question in this talk: accuracy of parton showers?

Beware!

each part/component of the "simulation" has
its own capabilities/limitations and its own accuracy

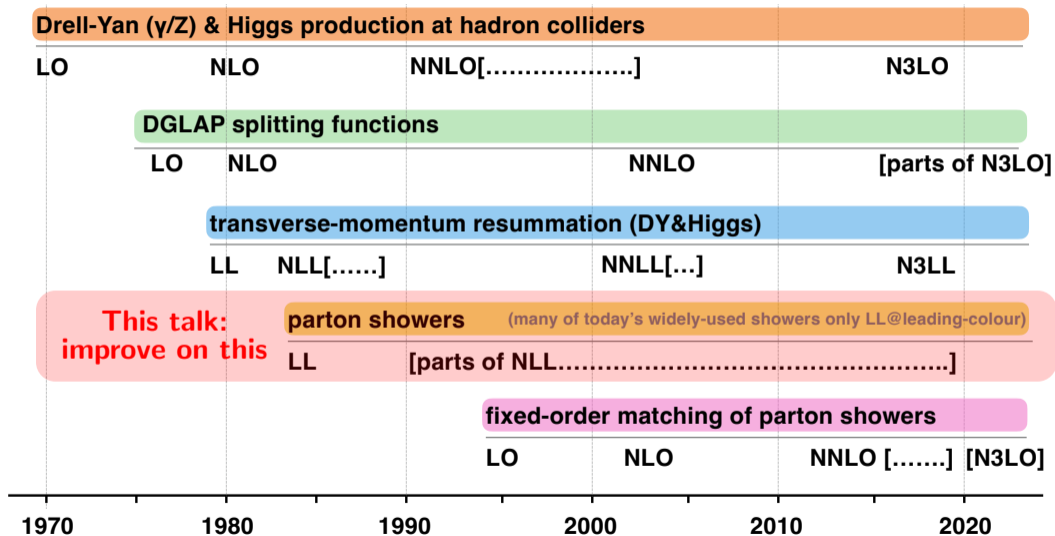
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[slide from Gavin Salam (Moriond QCD 2023)]



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**This talk:
improve on this**

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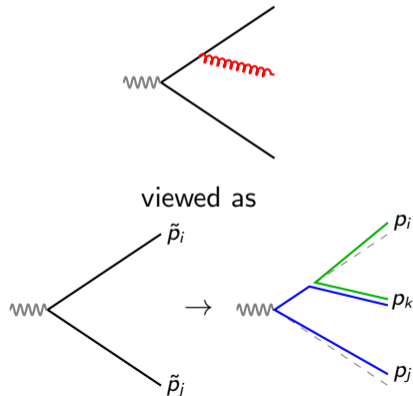
gluon emission \equiv dipole splitting

$$(ij) \rightarrow (ik)(kj)$$

- captures the soft/collinear limits
- key ingredient: mapping

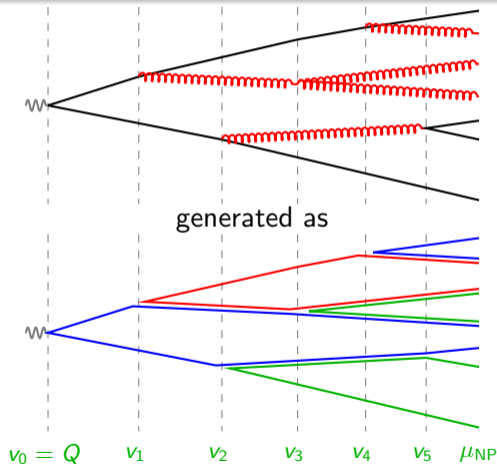
$$\underbrace{\tilde{p}_i, \tilde{p}_j}_{\text{before split}} \rightarrow \underbrace{p_i, p_j, p_k}_{\text{after split}}$$

includes recoil
& energy-mom conservation



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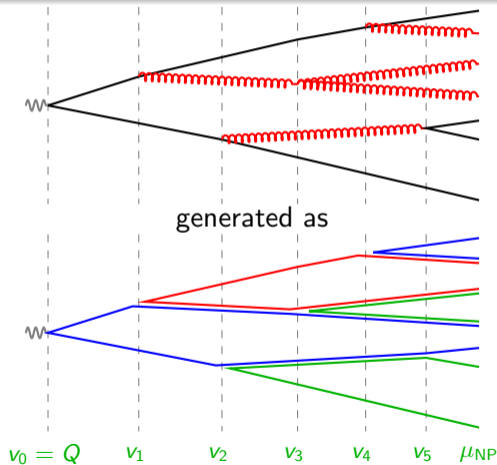
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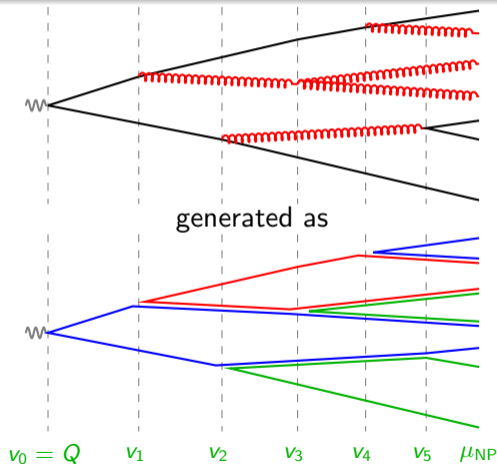
$n, n+1$ particles probabilities

Sudakov
≡ "no emissions" (virtuals)

real emission

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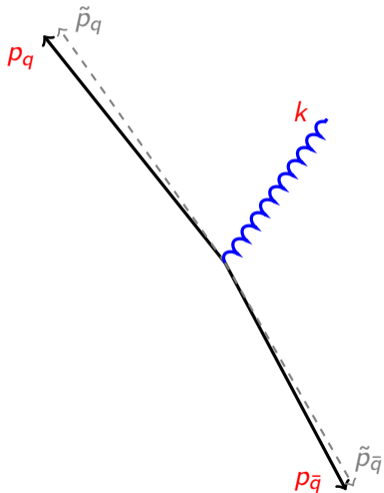
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Several challenges:

- ordering variable (v)
- beyond large/leading- N_c
- treat recoil properly
- assess/improve accuracy

Basic features of QCD radiation

Take a gluon emission from a $(q\bar{q})$ dipole



Emission $(\tilde{p}_q \tilde{p}_{\bar{q}}) \rightarrow (p_q k)(k p_{\bar{q}})$:

$$k^\mu \equiv z_q \tilde{p}_q^\mu + z_{\bar{q}} \tilde{p}_{\bar{q}}^\mu + k_\perp^\mu$$

3 degrees of freedom:

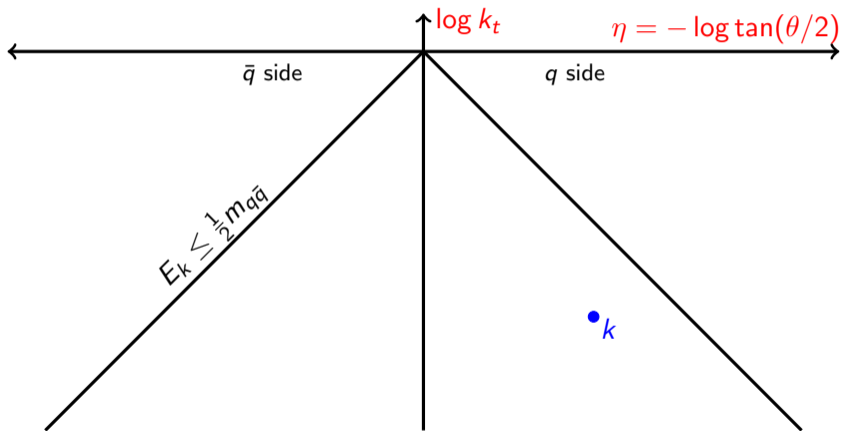
- Rapidity: $\eta = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{z_q}{z_{\bar{q}}}$
- Transverse momentum: k_\perp
- Azimuth: ϕ

In the soft-collinear approximation

$$d\mathcal{P} = \frac{\alpha_s(k_\perp) C_F}{\pi^2} d\eta \frac{dk_\perp}{k_\perp} d\phi$$

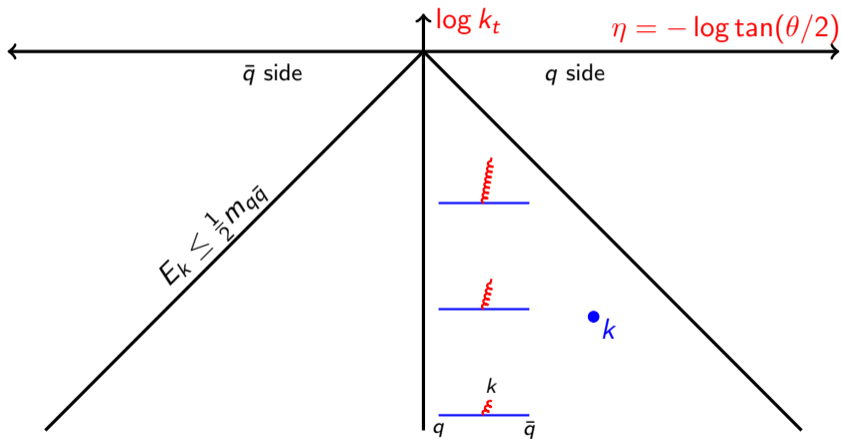
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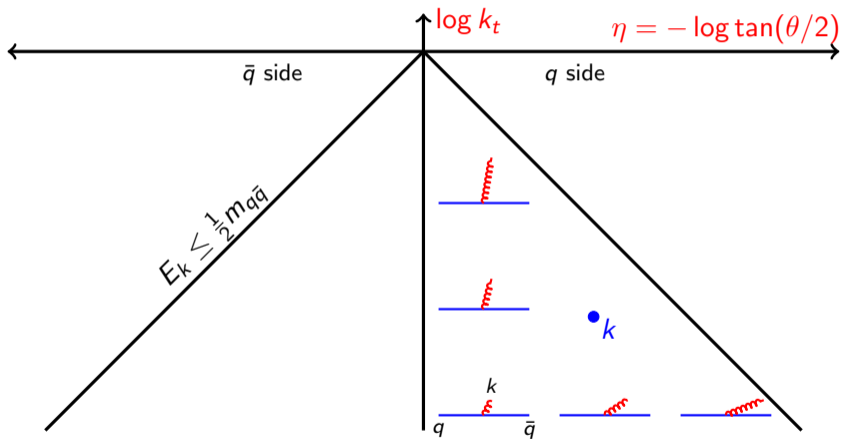
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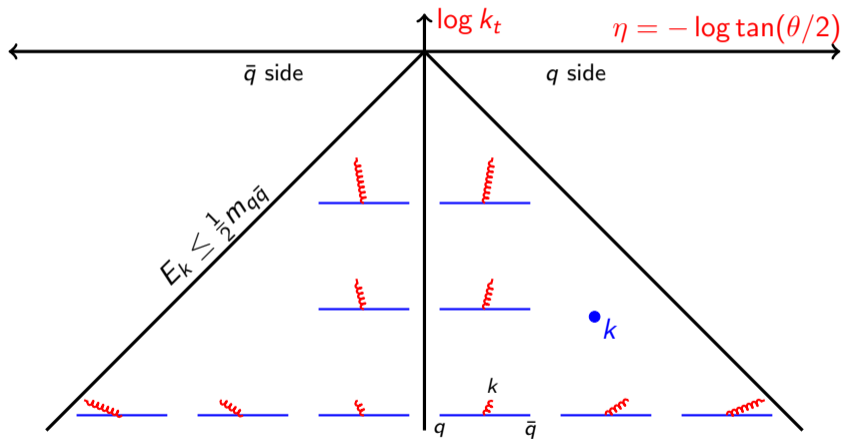
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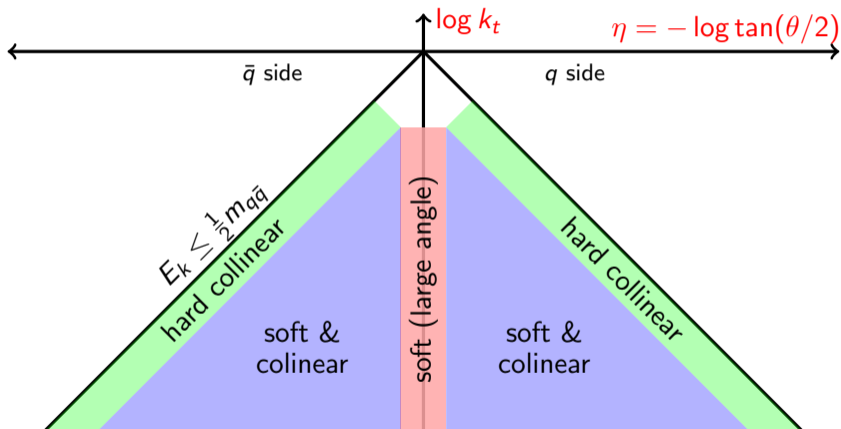
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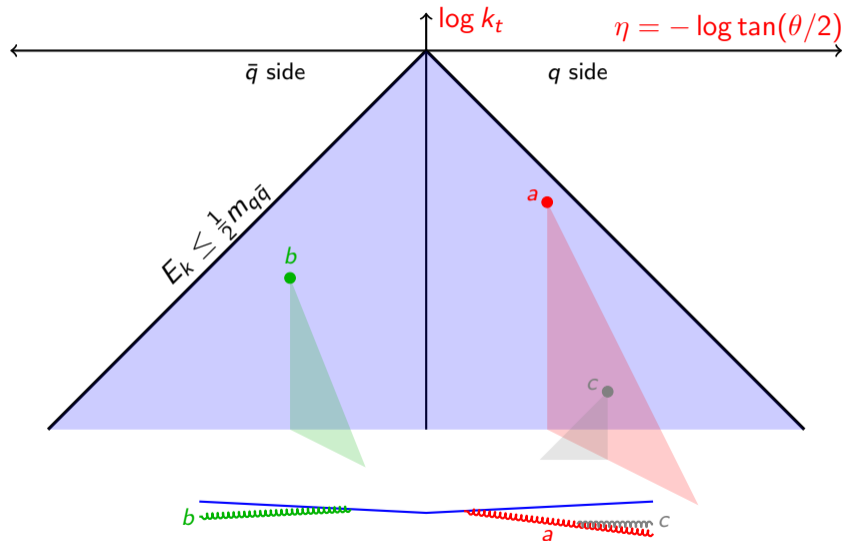


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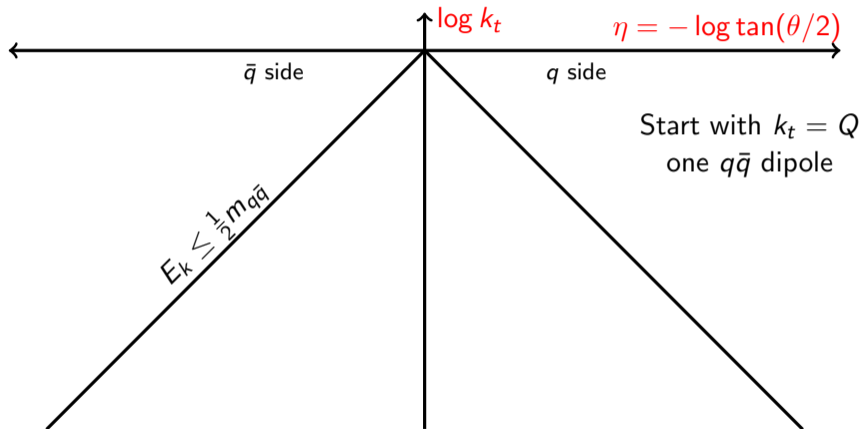


Multiple emissions in the Lund plane



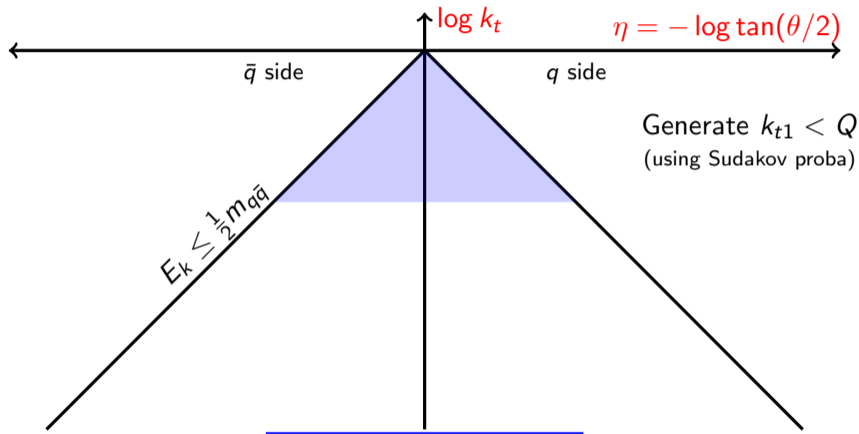
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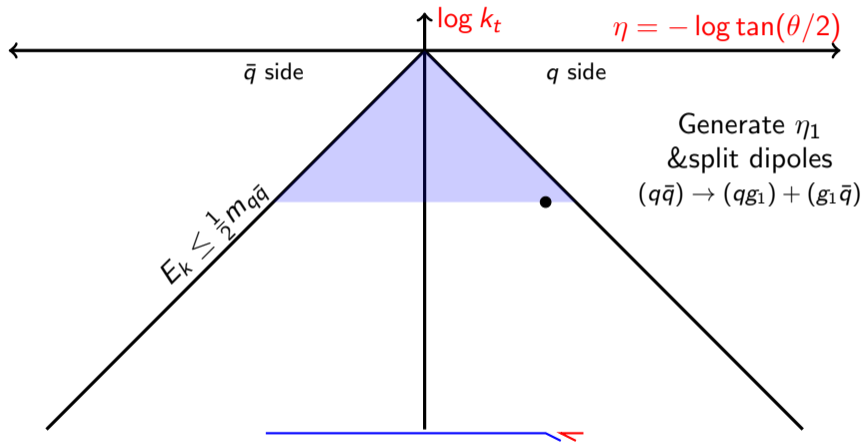
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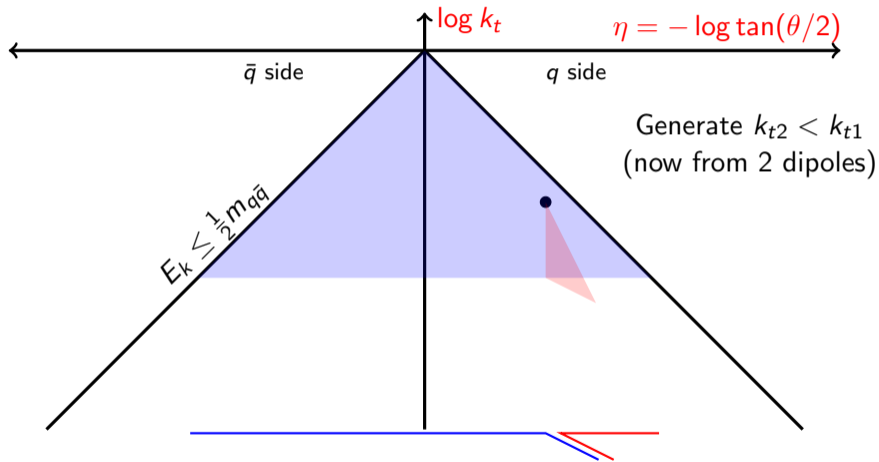
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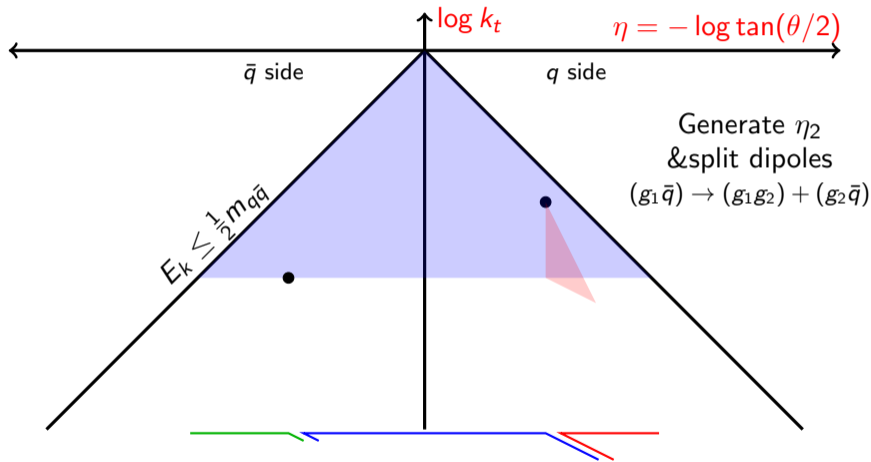
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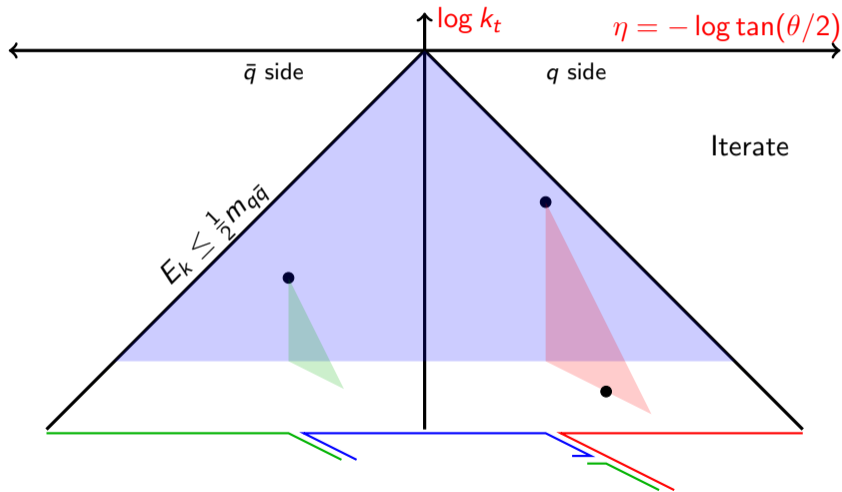
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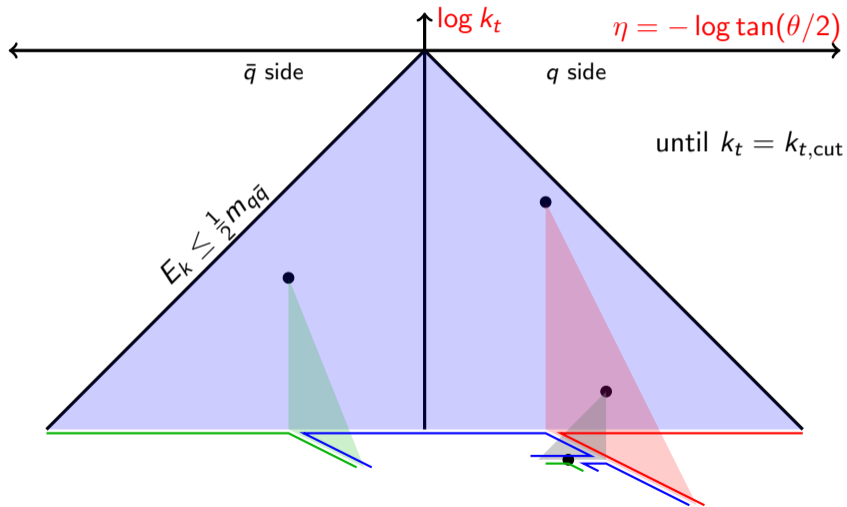
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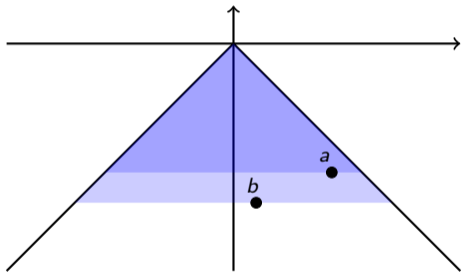
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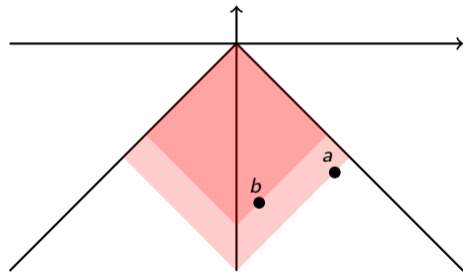
... can lead to different emission orderings

k_t (transv. mom.) ordering



$k_{ta} > k_{tb}$
 $\Rightarrow a$ emitted before b

q (virtuality) ordering



$q_b > q_a$
 $\Rightarrow b$ emitted before a

Recent progress (for completeness)

Lots of progress in several key directions over the past years:

- (subleading) $1 \rightarrow 3$ splitting functions (example: $\text{Dire}(v^2)$).

See e.g. [Jadach *et al*,16], [Li,Skands,16], [Höche,Krauss,Prestel,17], [Höche,Prestel,17]

- Subleading colour

- ▶ most showers are leading colour (even at leading-log)
- ▶ complex soft-gluon patterns
- ▶ see e.g. [Nagy,Soper,12], [Gieseke,Kirchgaesser,Plätzer,Siodmock,18], [Höche,Reichelt,20], [Forshaw,Holguin,Plätzer,20]

- Amplitude-level showers, see e.g. [Forshaw,Holguin,Plätzer,19]

- Electroweak showers

- ▶ more involved splitting kernels than in QCD
- ▶ explicit chirality/spin dependence
- ▶ see e.g. [Kleiss,Verheyen,20], [Bauer,Ferland,Webber,17-18], [Bauer,DeJong,Nachman,Provasoli,19]

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PanScales

A project to bring logarithmic understanding and accuracy to parton showers

PanScales

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Examples:

- Thrust $T = \max_{|\vec{u}|=1} \frac{\sum_i |\vec{p}_i \cdot \vec{u}|}{\sum_i |\vec{p}_i|}$
- Cambridge y_{23} (\approx largest k_t in an angular-ordered clustering)
- angularities
- ...

Note: substructure techniques (e.g. Lund-plane based) can help design more observables

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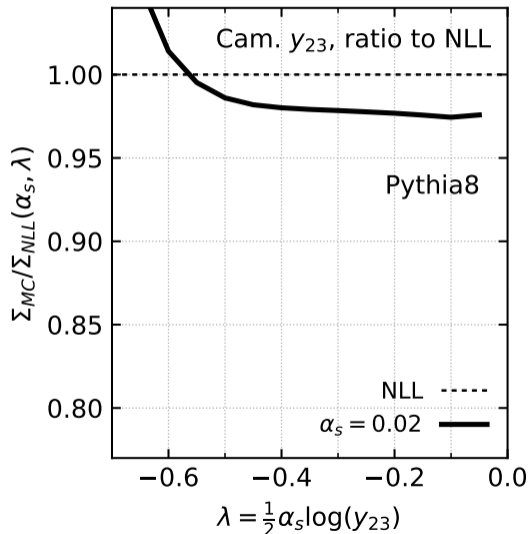
$\mathcal{O}(1/\alpha_s)$ $\mathcal{O}(1)$ $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$

in resummation regime:

$$\alpha_s \ll 1, \quad L \gg 1, \quad \lambda \equiv \alpha_s L \sim 1$$

We should control at least $\mathcal{O}(1)$ contributions

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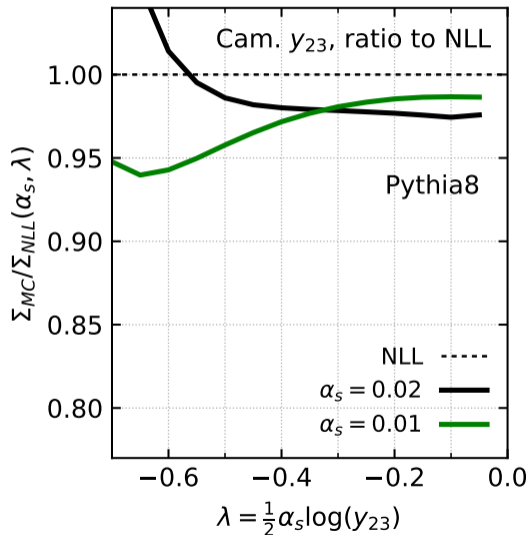
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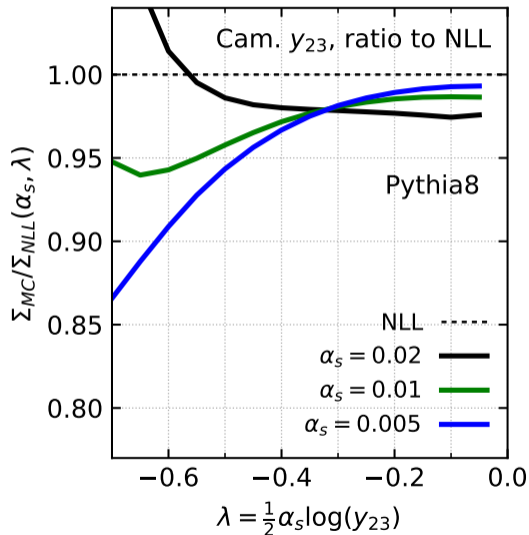
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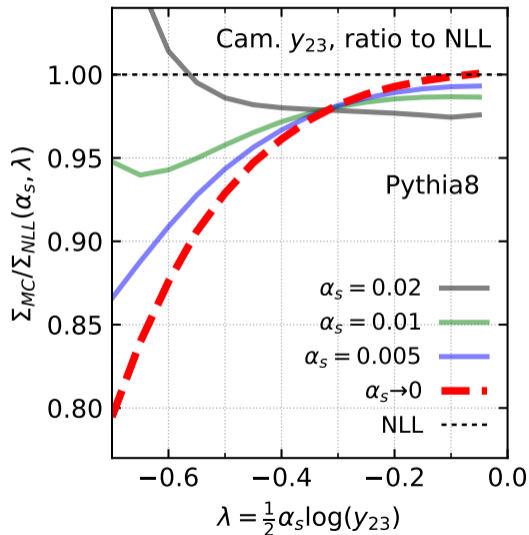
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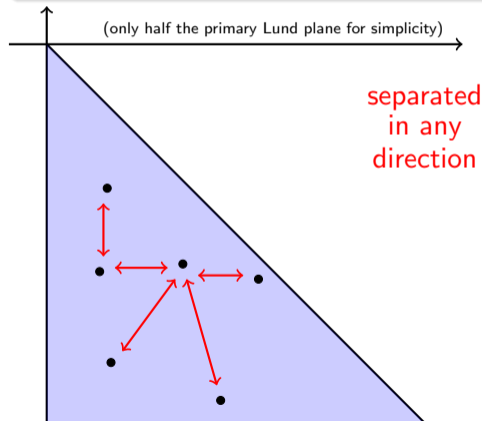
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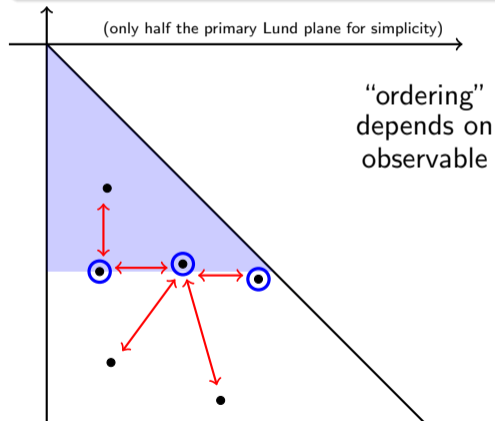


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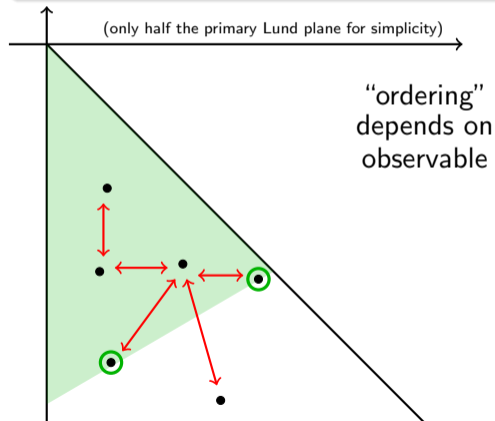


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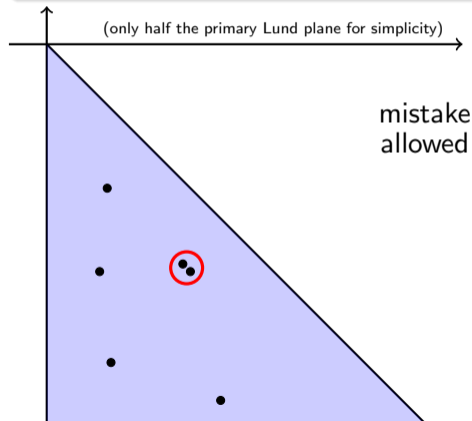


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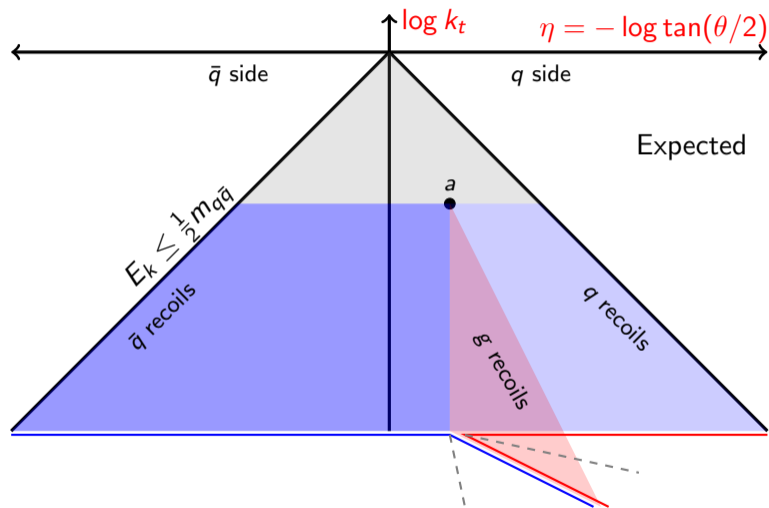
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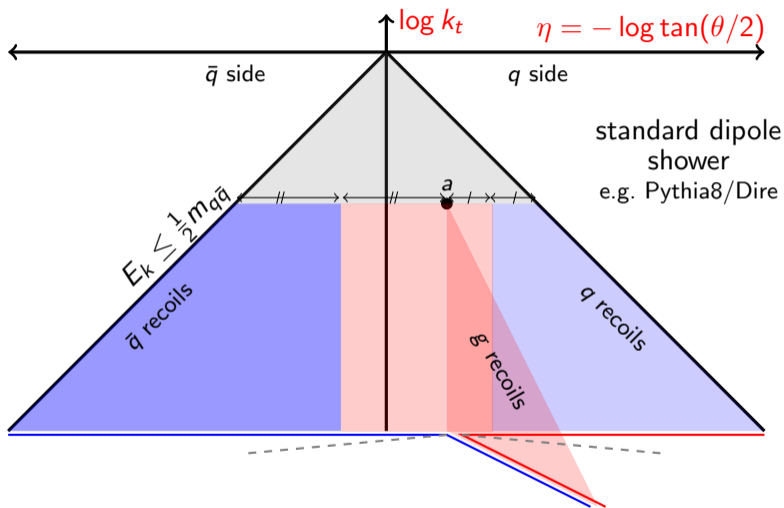
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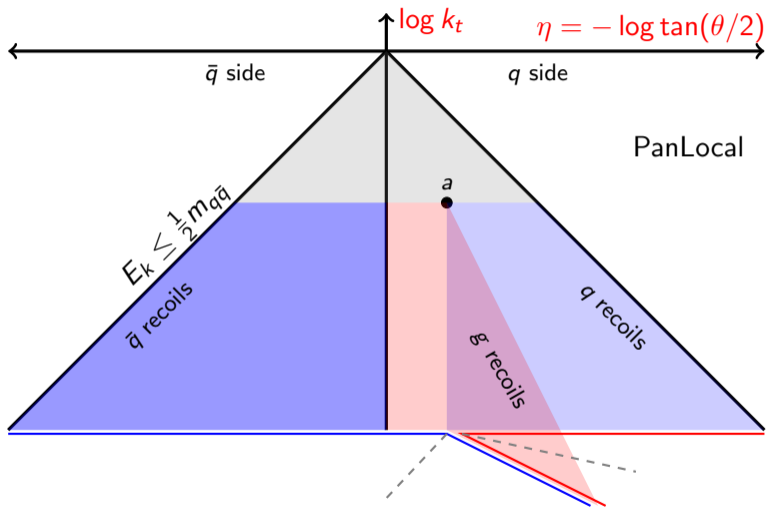
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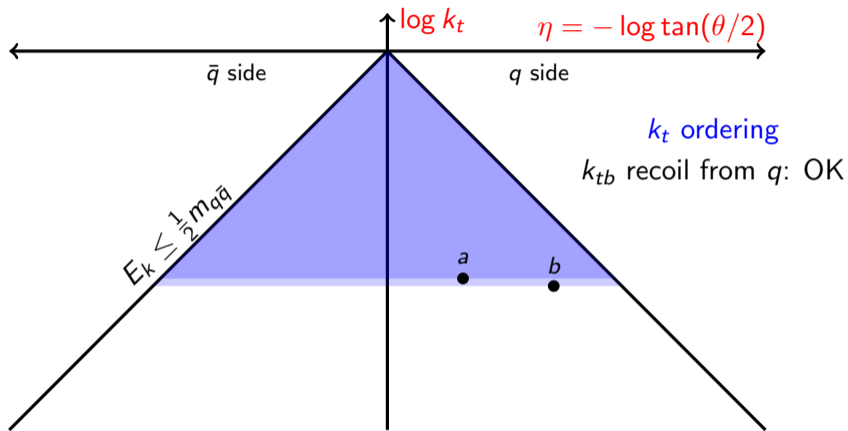
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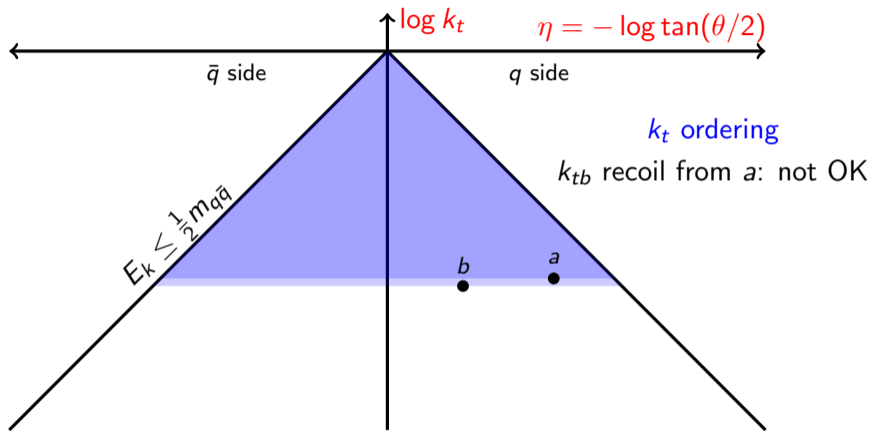
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better but still WRONG!

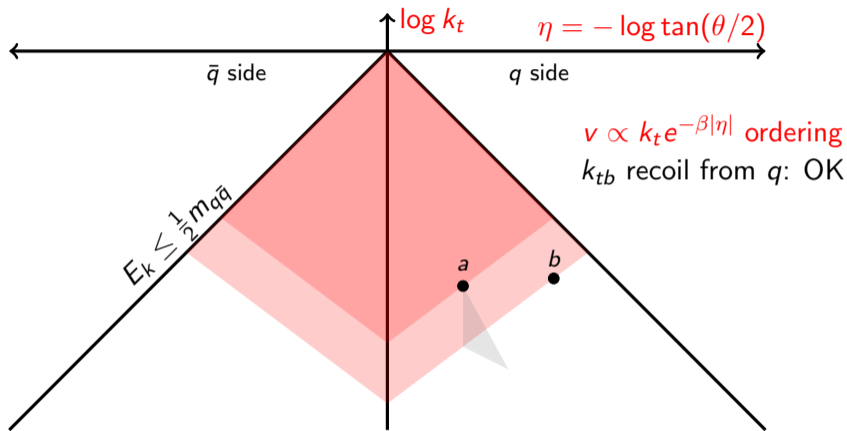
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commensurate k_t emissions generated from central to forward rapidities
 \Rightarrow no recoil issue

Kinematic map

(just to give an idea of what it takes)

$$p_k = a_k \tilde{p}_i + b_k \tilde{p}_j + k_\perp$$

$$p_i = a_i \tilde{p}_i + b_i \tilde{p}_j - f k_\perp$$

$$p_j = a_j \tilde{p}_i + b_j \tilde{p}_j - (1 - f) k_\perp$$

with $(\text{PanLocal}(\beta))$, variables v and $\tilde{\eta}$

$$|k_\perp| = \rho v e^{\beta|\tilde{\eta}|} \quad \rho = \left(\frac{2\tilde{p}_i \cdot Q \tilde{p}_j \cdot Q}{Q^2 \tilde{p}_i \cdot \tilde{p}_j} \right)^{\beta/2}$$

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$f \approx \Theta(\tilde{\eta})$ and E-mom conservation

f decides where to put recoil

- $f \rightarrow 1$ when $k \rightarrow i$
- $f \rightarrow 0$ when $k \rightarrow j$

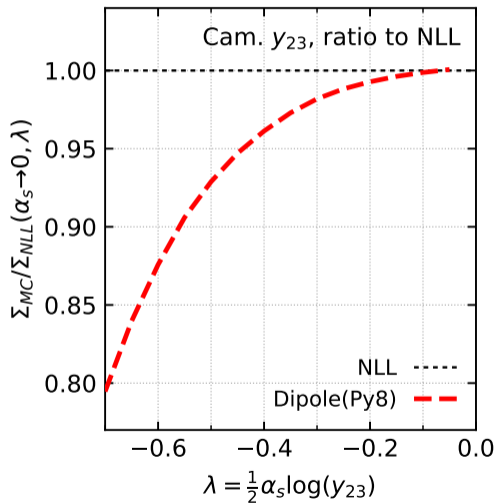
Where to put the transition?

- Pythia8/Dire: equal angles in dipole rest frame
- PanLocal: equal angles in event frame

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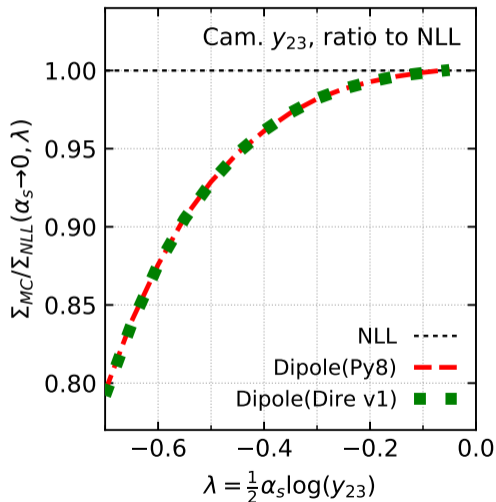
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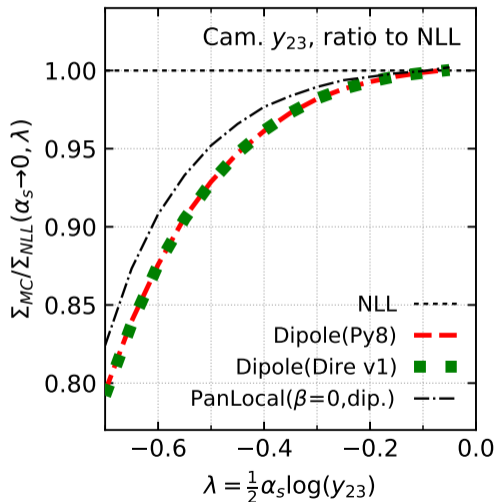
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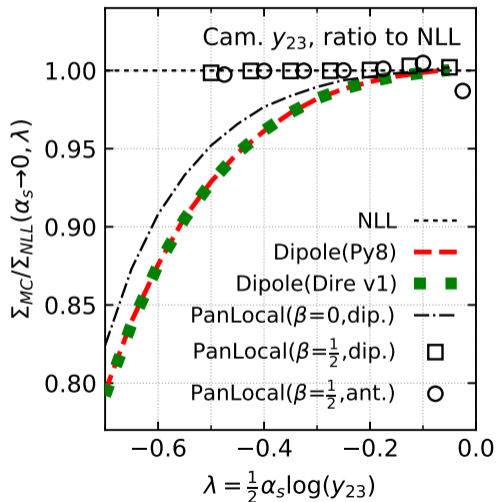
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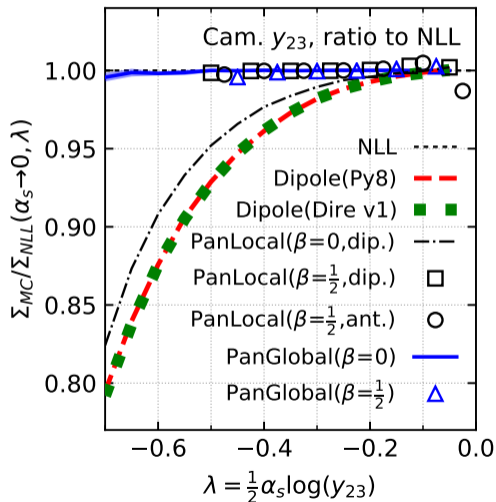
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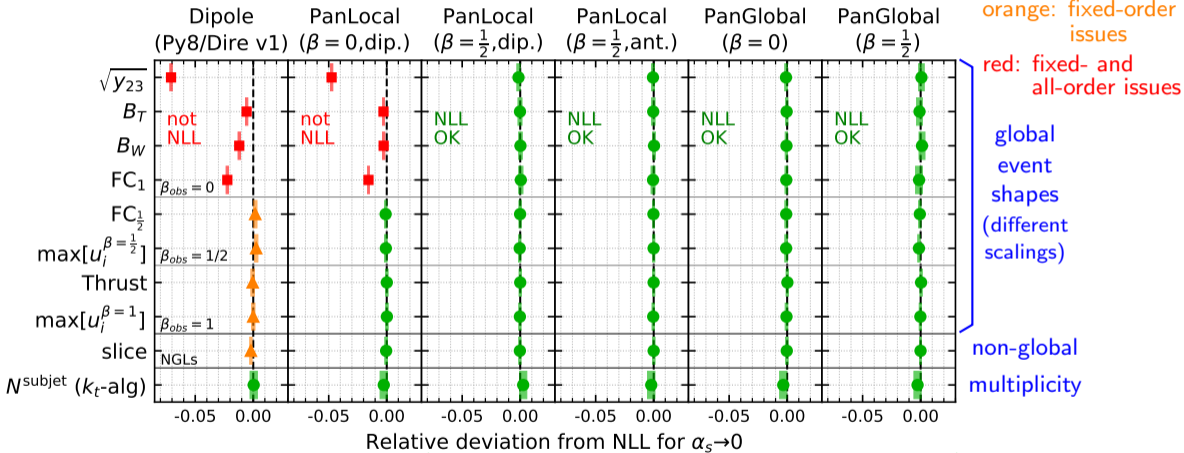
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Assessing accuracy: extensive observable list

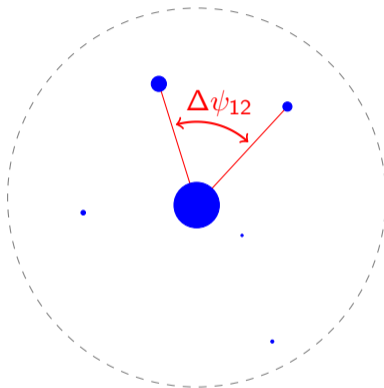
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PanLocal($0 < \beta < 1$) and PanGlobal($0 \leq \beta < 1$) get expected NLL (i.e. 0)

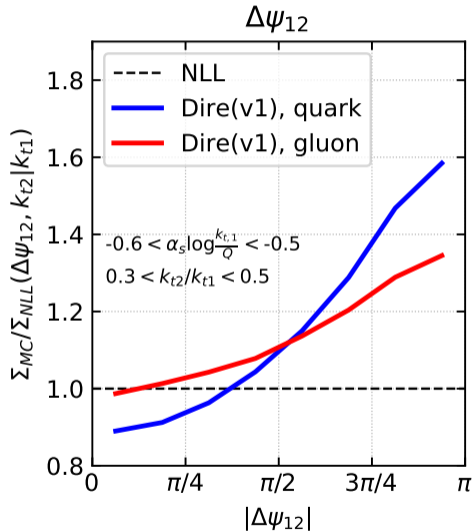
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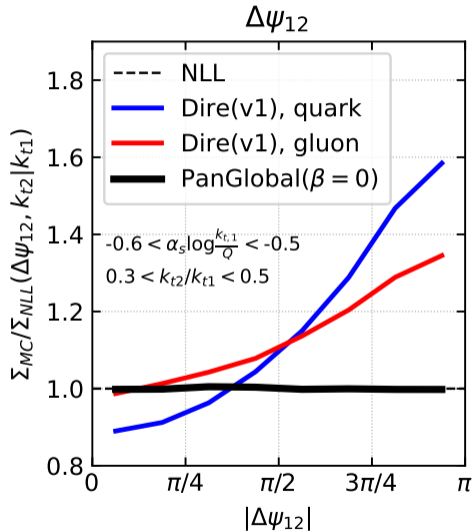
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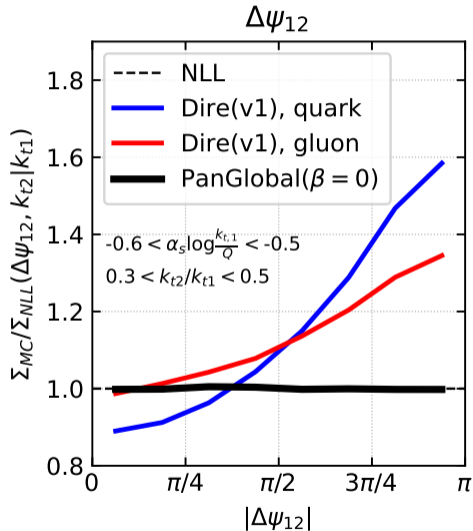
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Take-home messages

- Novel method to test parton shower accuracy (i.e. logarithmic accuracy)
- Standard showers (like Pythia8 or Dire) fail to deliver NLL accuracy (spurious k_t recoil)
- Two new showers: PanLocal and PanGlobal with NLL accuracy
- So far: large- N_c , no spin correlations, e^+e^- collisions

PanScales

Towards full NLL

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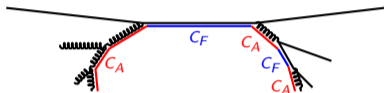
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Note: quick overview to get the overall picture, ask for more details if you want

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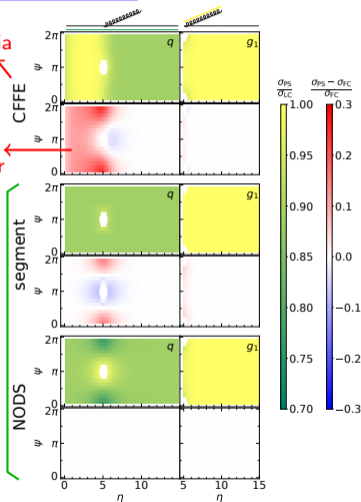
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similar to
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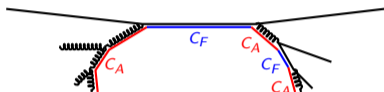
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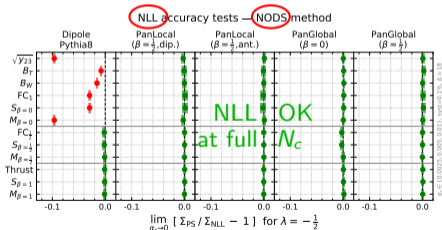
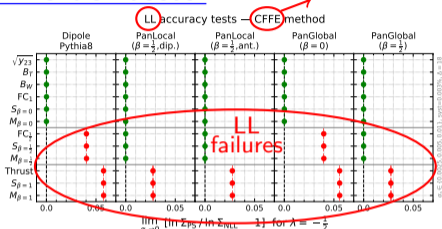
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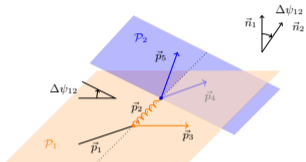


Non-global logs: large- N_c + (full- N_c at $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$)

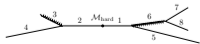
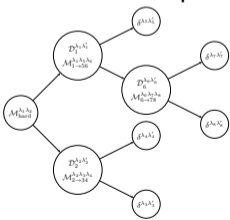
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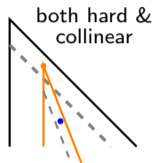
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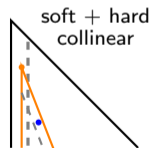
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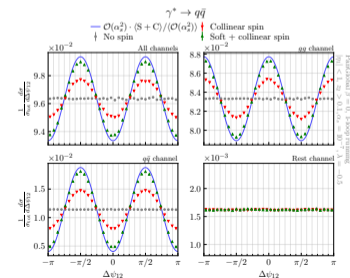
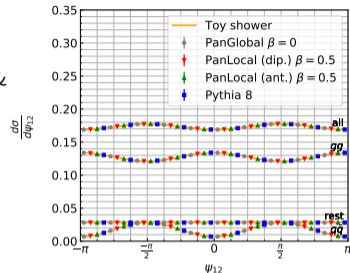
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also EEE v. analytics



first all-order result

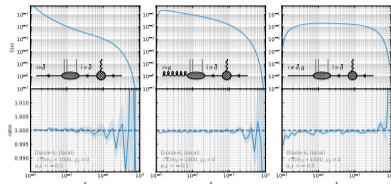


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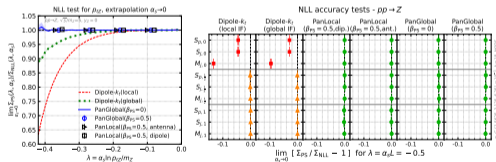
- hadron collision
⇒ initial-state radiation
- Consider Drell-Yan
- existing showers have the same recoil issue as for final state
earlier emission takes recoil instead of the Z
- fix is essentially the same (modulo kinematic differences)
- includes colour and spin
- so far limited to colour singlet production

Tests:

explicit test of DGLAP



+ usual tests: Z -boson p_T , event shapes



+ multiplicity, non-globals, beyond large- N_C , spin

Beyond large N_C

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PanScales

Beyond NLL: matching

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Matching within PanScales

Matching = exact fixed-order generator + parton shower resumming logs

Physics

Focus on e^+e^- collisions. We want

- ✓ exact $q\bar{q}g$ ($\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$) distributions
- ✓ maintain NLL accuracy

Benefit: “NNDL” accuracy for event shapes^(*)

$$\Sigma(L) = \underbrace{h_1(\alpha_s L^2)}_{\text{DL}} + \underbrace{\sqrt{\alpha_s} h_2(\alpha_s L^2)}_{\text{NDL}} + \underbrace{\alpha_s h_3(\alpha_s L^2)}_{\text{NNDL}} + \dots$$

Implementation

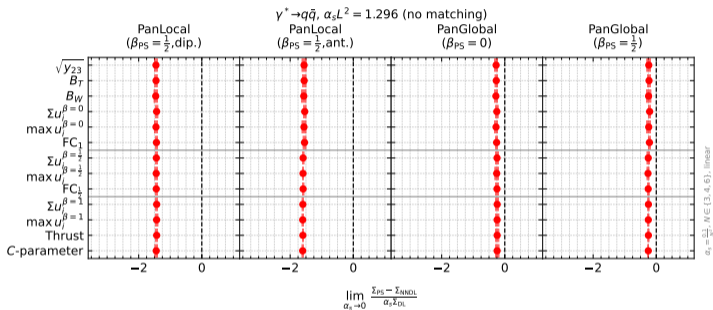
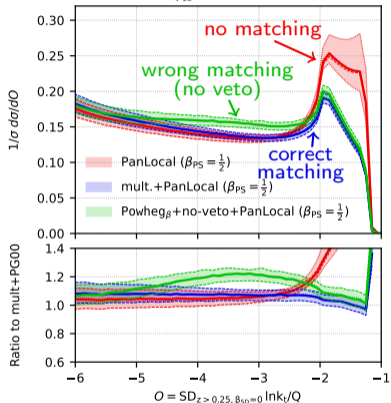
Several possibilities:

- simple multiplicative matching (accept first emission with probability $P_{\text{exact}}/P_{\text{shower}}$)
- MC@NLO-like matching
- POWHEG-like matching (with β scaling and careful veto to avoid double-counting when switching from POWHEG to the shower)

^(*) Note: $N^k\text{LL}$ expands $\ln \Sigma(\alpha_s L, \alpha_s)$ for “exponentiating” observables; $N^k\text{DL}$ directly expands $\Sigma(\alpha_s L^2, \alpha_s)$
alternative viewpoint: NLL requires an arbitrary number of single-logs ($(\alpha_s L)^n$); NDL requires only one $((\alpha_s L)(\alpha_s L^2)^n)$

Accuracy tests

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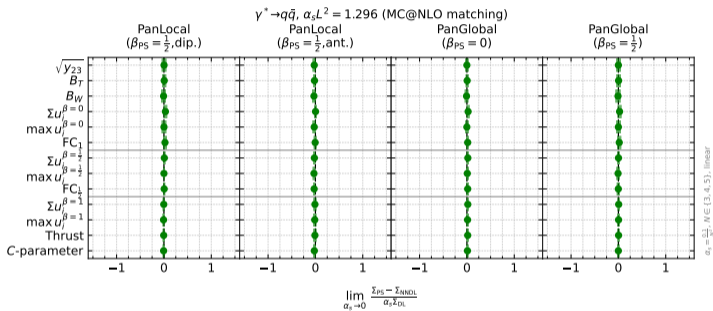
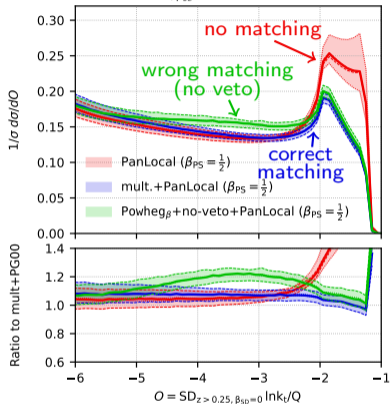


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PanScales

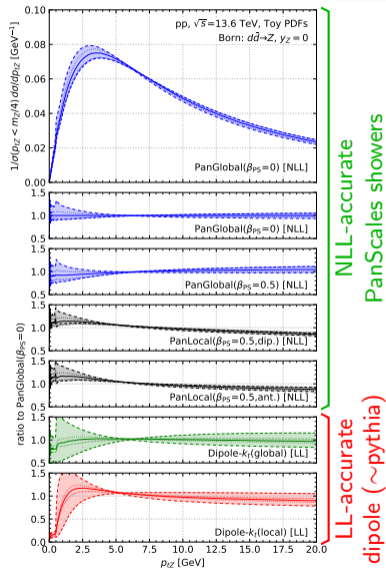
Preliminary phenomenology

[M.van Beekveld,S.Ferrario Ravasio,K.Hamilton,G.Salam,A.Soto-Ontoso,GS,arXiv:2207.09467]

[K.Hamilton.A.Karlberg,G.Salam,L.Scyboz,R.Verheyen,arXiv:2301.09645]

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Example #1: Z-boson transverse momentum



Uncertainties:

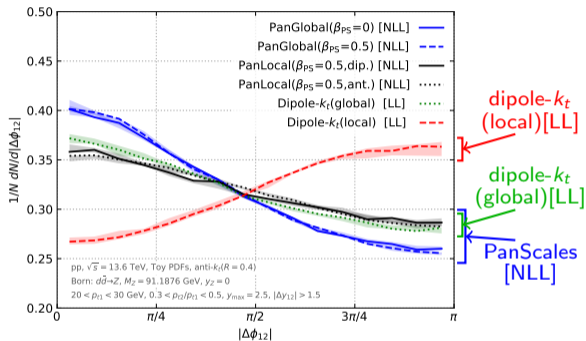
- renormalisation scale variation:
for NLL-accurate showers include compensation term to maintain 2-loop running for soft emissions
- factorisation scale variations (note: use of toy PDFs)
- term associated with lack of matching for $k_t \sim M_Z$
- for LL showers: a term associated with spurious recoil for commensurate k_t 's

Observations: Differences are relatively small except

- at very small k_t for dipole- k_t (esp. w global recoil)
- NLL brings significant uncertainty reduction

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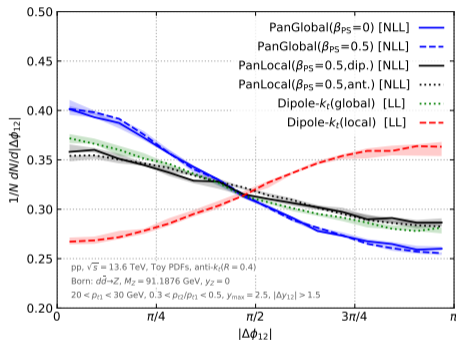
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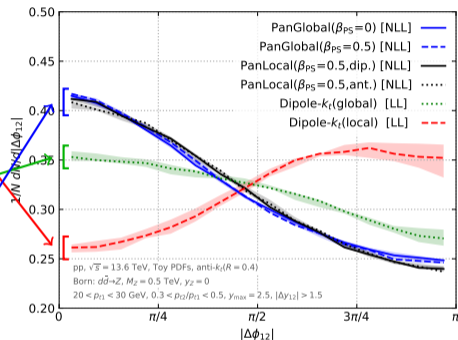


dipole- k_t
(local)[LL]

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PanScales
[NLL]

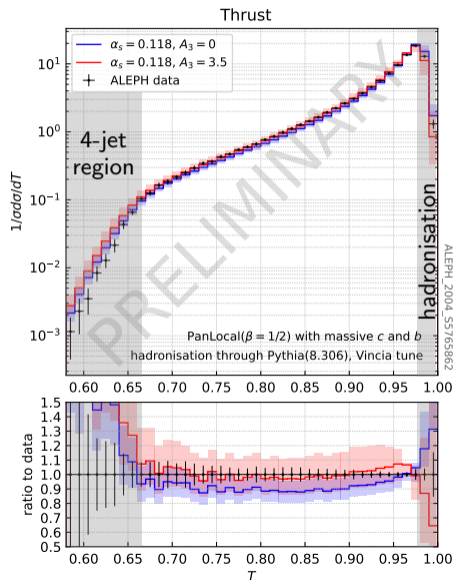
Drell-Yan, $M_{Z'} = 500$ GeV



- At higher scale:
dipole- k_t (LL) \neq PanScales(NLL)
- **DANGER: false sense of control from lower-energy info!**

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Example #3: towards LEP phenomenology



Details:

- PanLocal($\beta = 1/2$) dipole shower
- heavy quarks (preliminary, $m_c = 1.5$ GeV, $m_b = 4.8$ GeV)
- multiplicative matching
- extra A_3 ($\alpha_s \equiv \alpha_s^{(CMW)} + A_3\alpha_s^3$)
- interfaced as a Pythia8 plugin
- hadronisation from Pythia8 (Vincia tune)

Observations:

- Promising start
- further tuning needed
- 4-jet matching would greatly help
- what about NNLL?

Conclusions

Basics

Parton showers are extensively relied upon and need to be brought to high accuracy

PanScales

- Recoil issue limits standard generators to LL (and large N_c)
- Fixed in our PanScales (PanLocal($0 < \beta < 1$) and PanGlobal($0 \leq \beta < 1$)) showers
- Including beyond large- N_c , spin correlations, hadronic collisions, (ee) 3-jet matching
- Pheno effect mostly reduction of uncertainty at $Q \sim 100$ GeV, can be larger at $Q \sim 1$ TeV

Future

- Beyond Drell-Yan (pp) and 3 jets (ee)
- Investigate phenomenology
- provide public code
- push to NNLL