

# Jets, our window on partons at the LHC

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Partons — quarks and gluons — are key concepts of QCD.

- ▶ It's in terms of quark and gluon fields that we write the Lagrangian
- ▶ Perturbative QCD *only* deals with partons
- ▶ Concept of parton powerful even beyond perturbation theory
  - ▶ hadron classifications
  - ▶ exotic states, e.g. colour glass condensate (high gluon densities)

Yet it is surprisingly difficult to ascribe unambiguous meaning to partons.

- ▶ Not an asymptotic state of the theory
- ▶ Because of confinement
- ▶ But also even in perturbation theory      because of collinear divergences  
(in massless approx.)

QCD coupling has related problems (probability of emitting a gluon...)

Despite this, there are two decent ways of “seeing” partons;

- ▶ Scatter some hard probe off them, e.g. a virtual photon

Deep Inelastic Scattering (DIS)

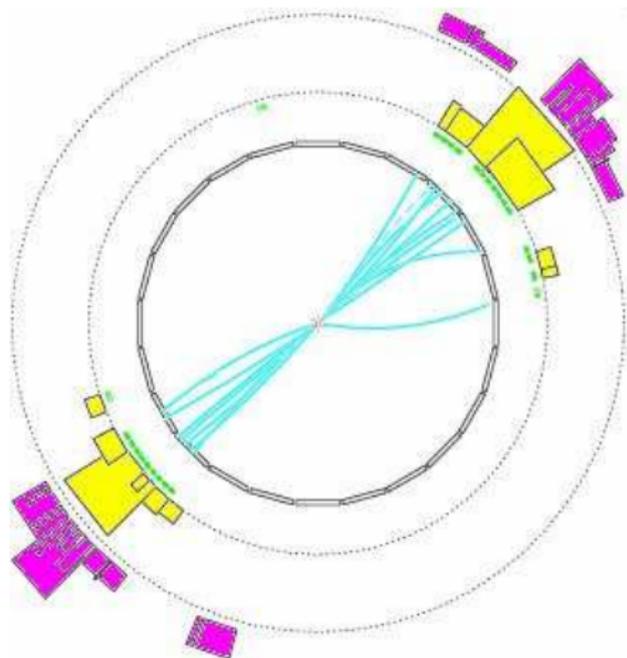
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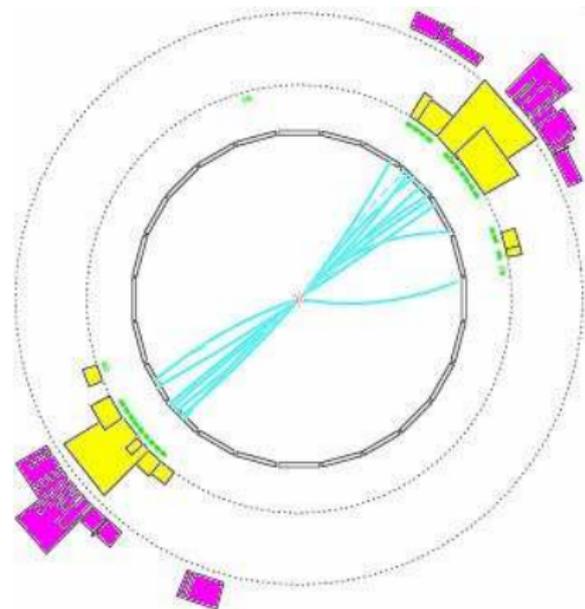
In final state, trace of original partons is visible as collimated bunches of energetic hadrons

Picture illustrates  $e^+e^- \rightarrow Z \rightarrow q\bar{q}$   
OPAL @ LEP



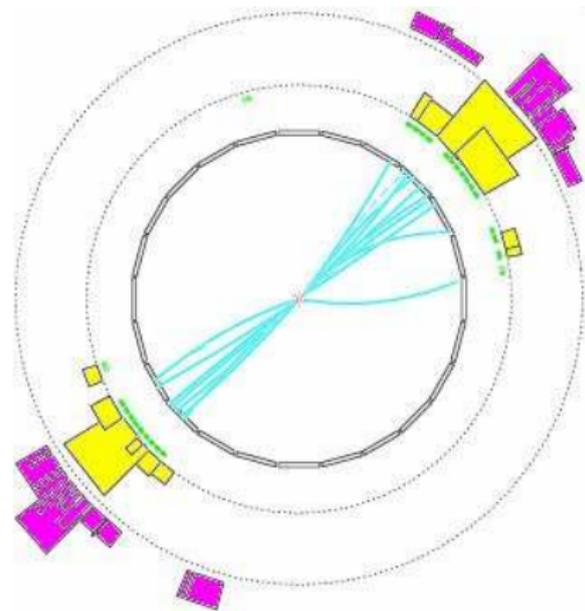
Information not just visual, but also quantitative

e.g. each bunch has  $E \simeq m_Z/2$

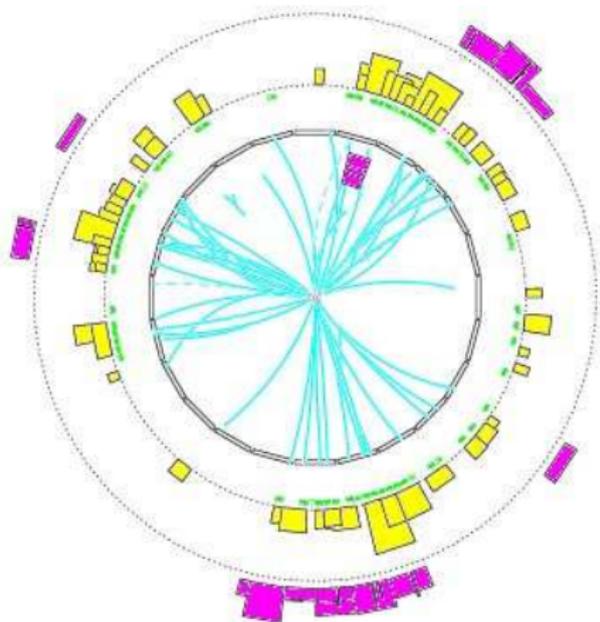


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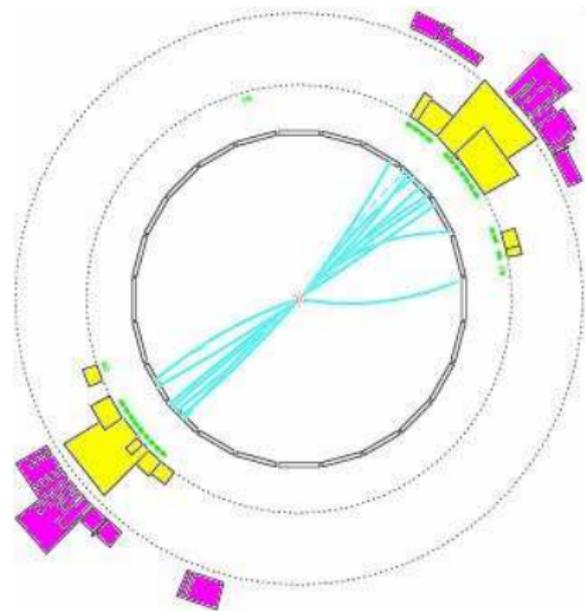
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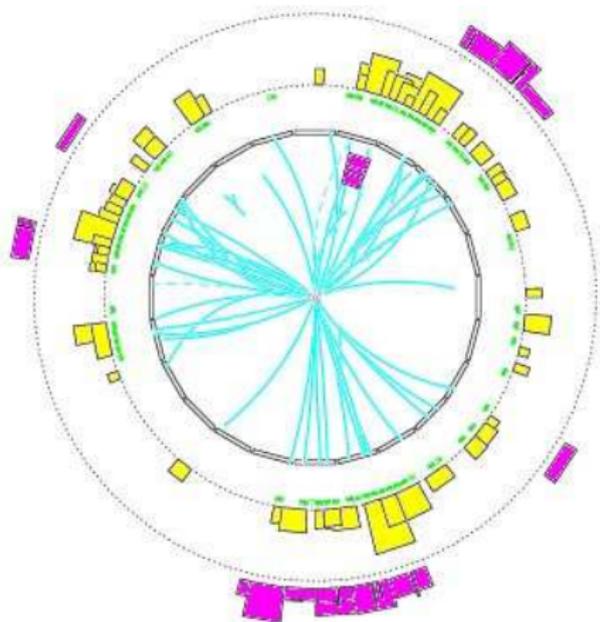
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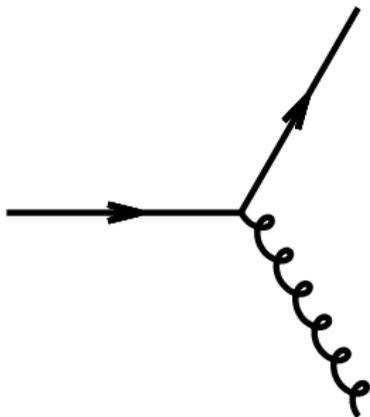
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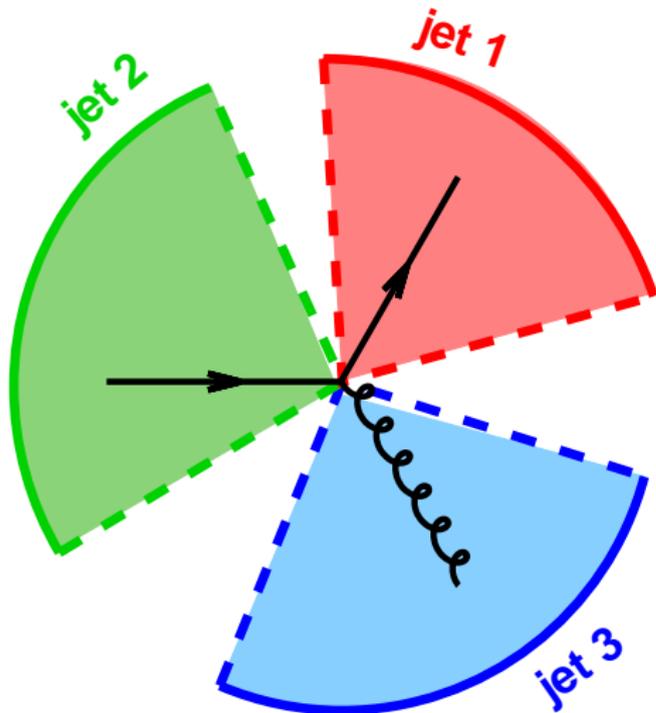
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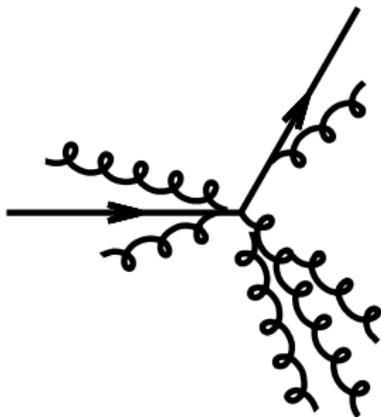
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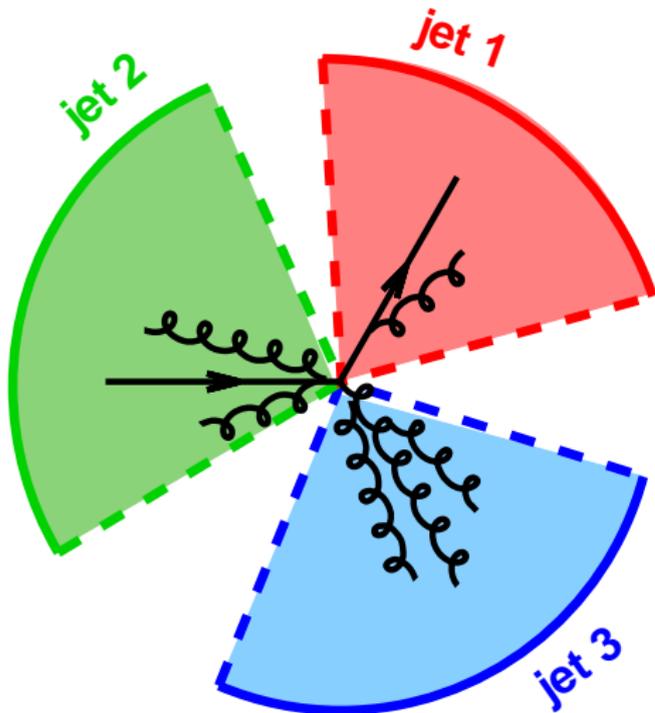
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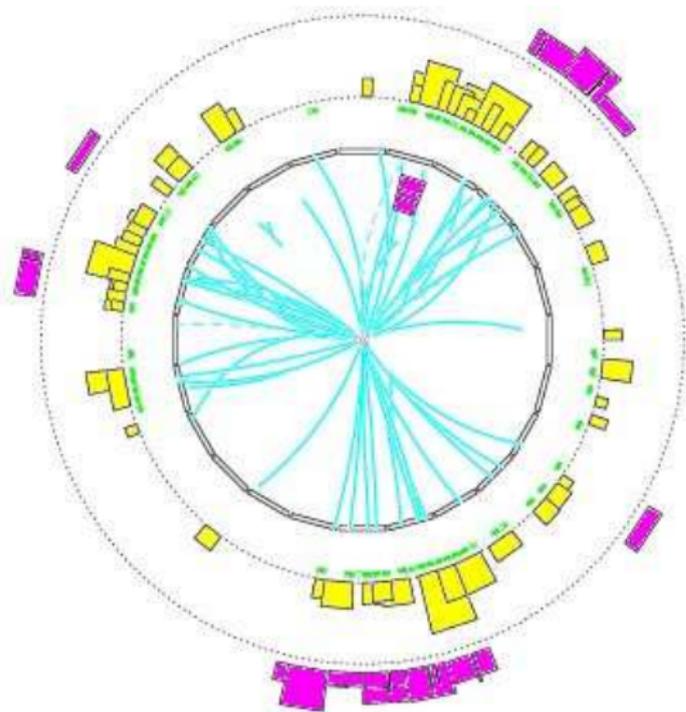
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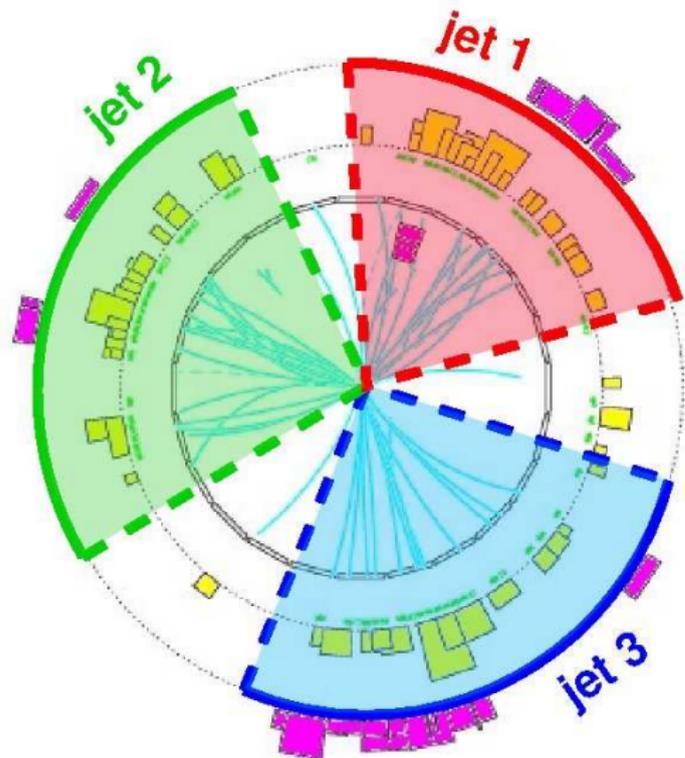
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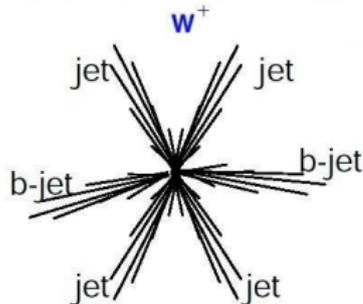
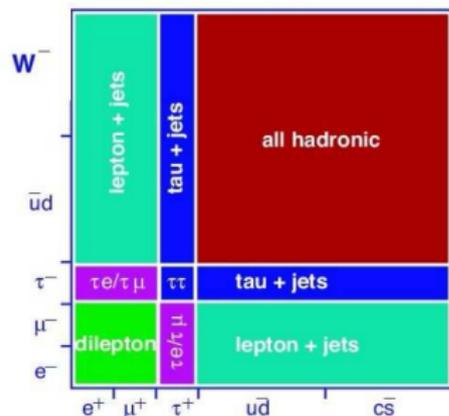
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## $t\bar{t}$ decay modes



### All-hadronic

(BR~46%, huge bckg)

picture: Juste LP '05

## Heavy objects: multi-jet final-states

- ▶  $10^7$   $t\bar{t}$  pairs for  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  (1 year, low-lumi)
- ▶ Vast # of QCD multijet events

# jets	# events for $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
3	$9 \cdot 10^8$
4	$7 \cdot 10^7$
5	$6 \cdot 10^6$
6	$3 \cdot 10^5$
7	$2 \cdot 10^4$
8	$2 \cdot 10^3$

Tree level

$p_t(\text{jet}) > 60 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $\theta_{ij} > 30 \text{ deg}$ ,  $|y_{ij}| < 3$

Draggiotis, Kleiss & Papadopoulos '02

## Tree-level calculations with many partons / W / Z / H / etc.

- ▶ Alpgen
- ▶ Madgraph
- ▶ Sherpa
- ▶ Helas/Helac
- ▶ [Twistor-derived rules]

## Monte Carlo event generators

- ▶ Pythia (f77), Pythia8 (C++)
- ▶ Herwig (f77), Herwig++ (C++)
- ▶ Ariadne
- ▶ Sherpa
- ▶ With NLO matching: MC@NLO, POWHEG, (Vincia, GeNeVA, ...)

Each tool associated with 3–15 people: total of  $\sim 50$

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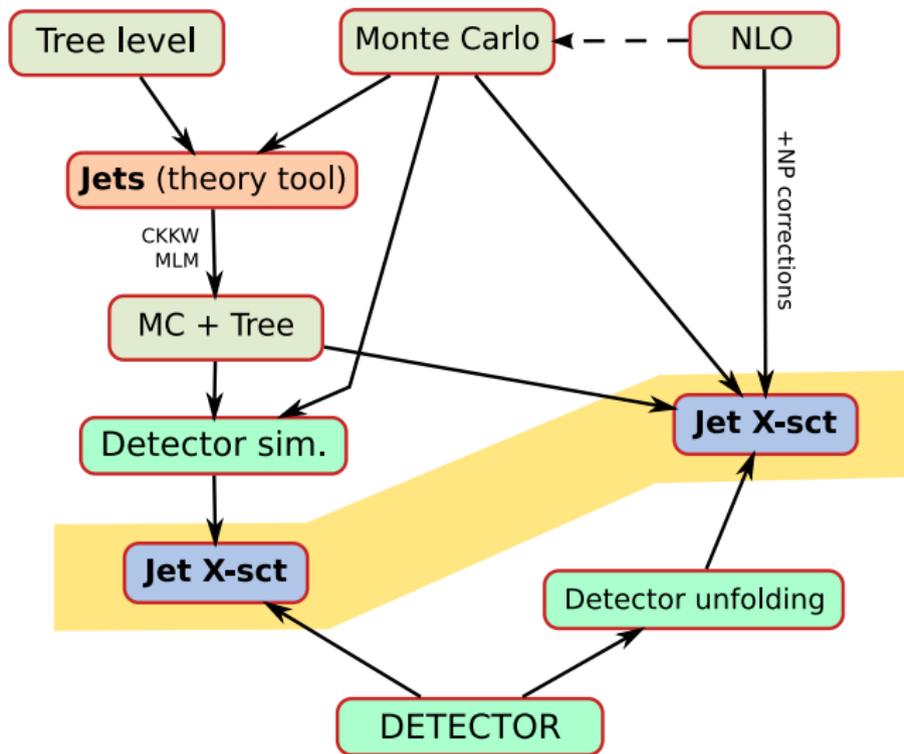
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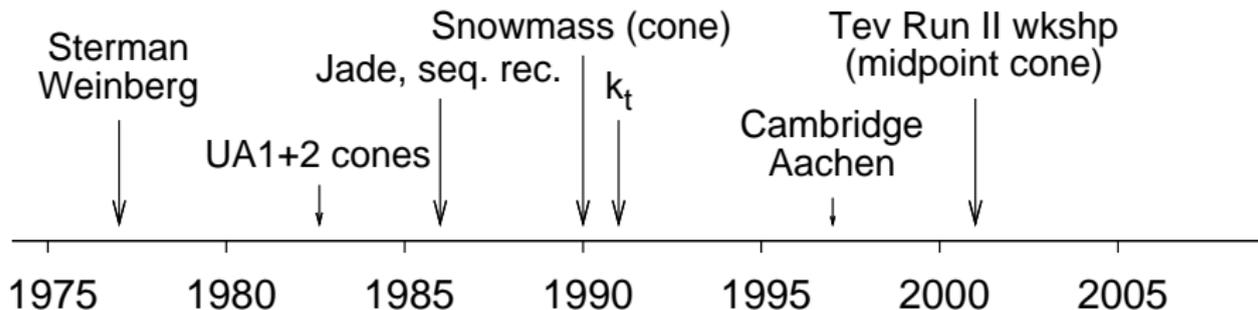
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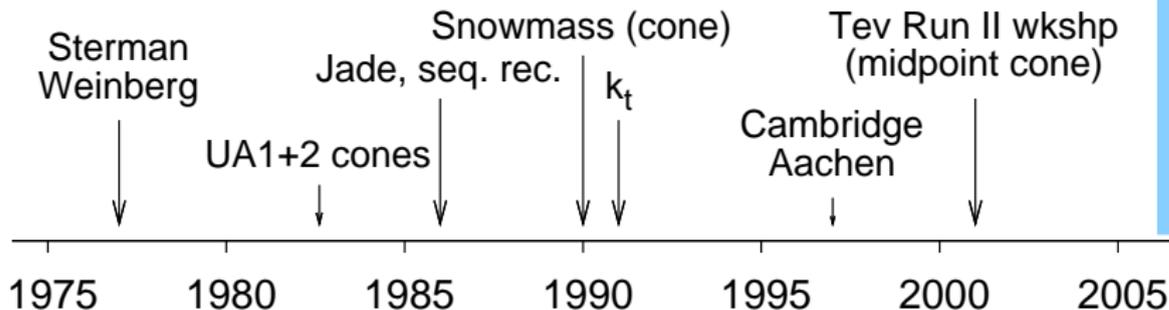
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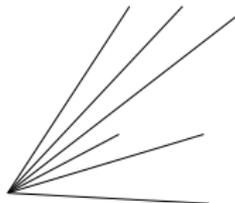
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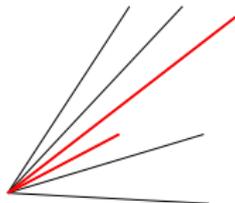
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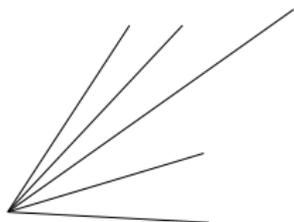
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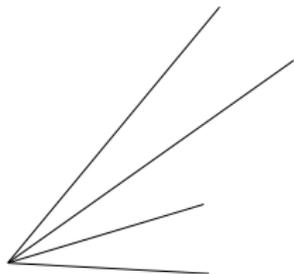
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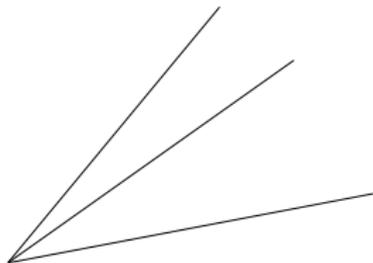
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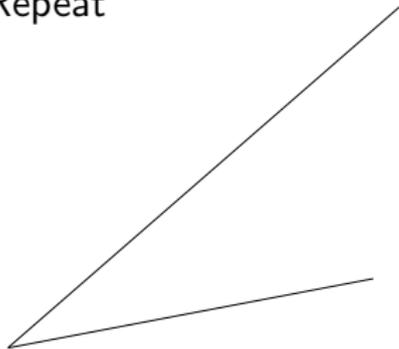


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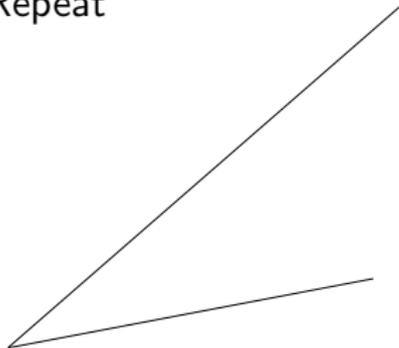
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NB: often study  $10^7 - 10^8$  events (20-200 CPU years)
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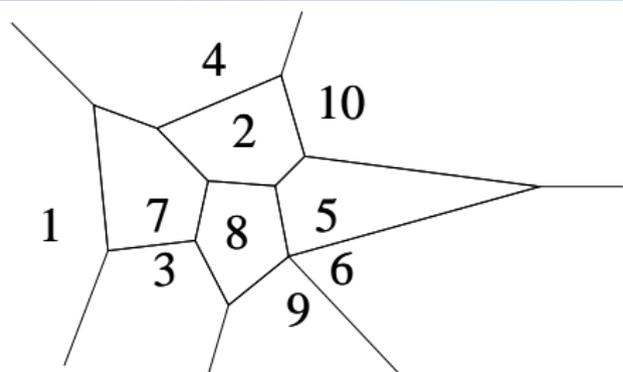
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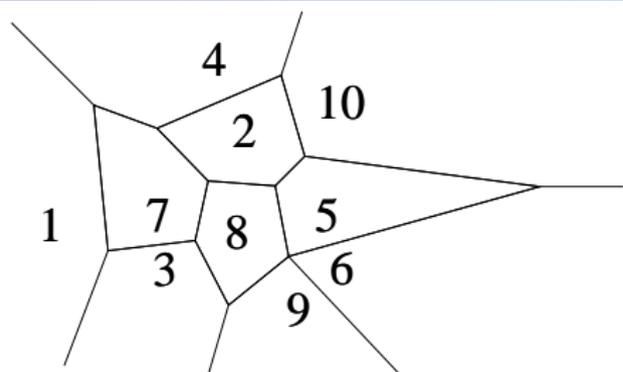
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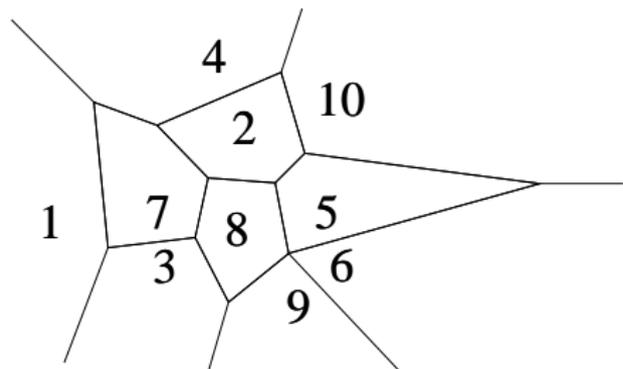
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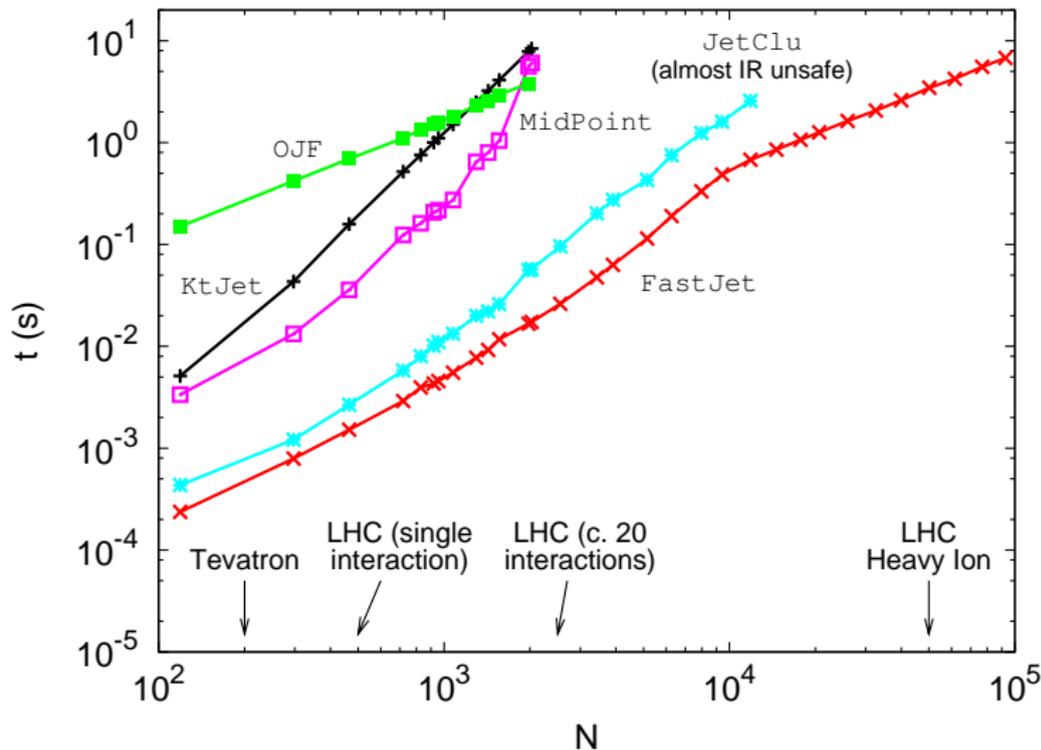
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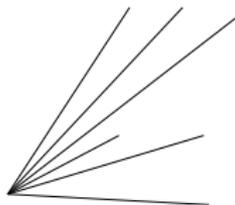


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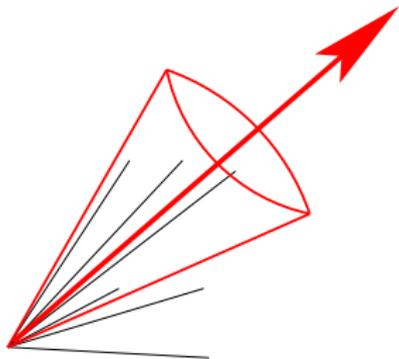
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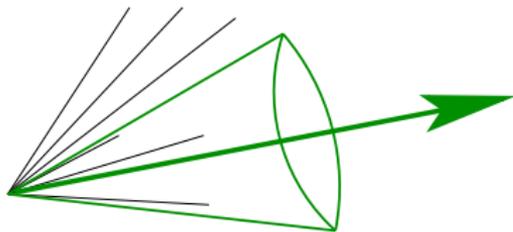
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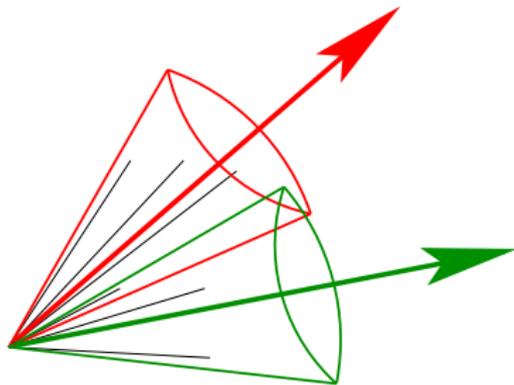
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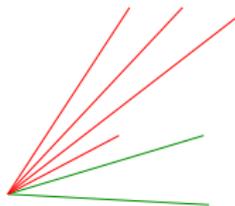
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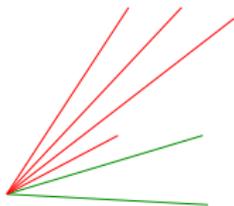
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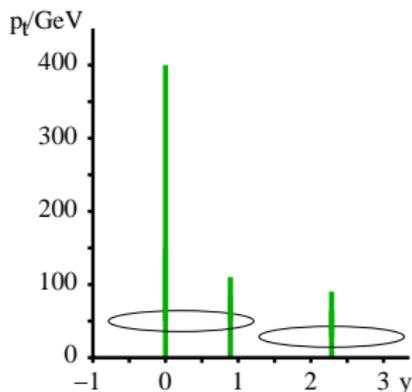
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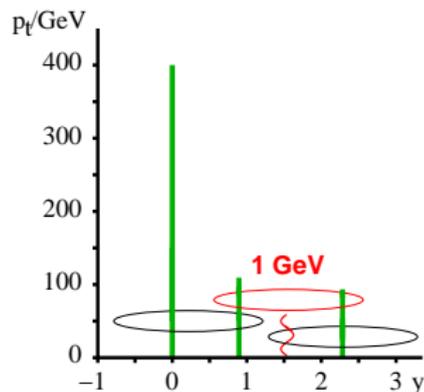


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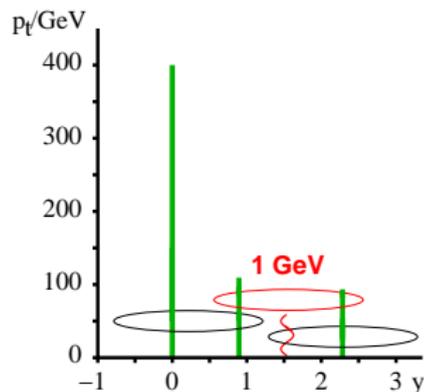
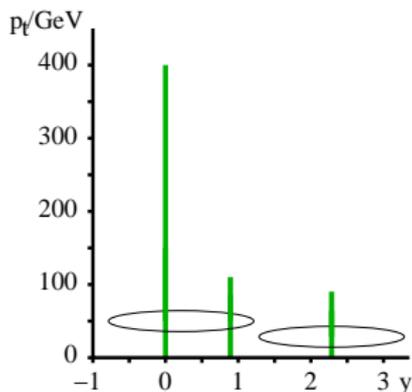
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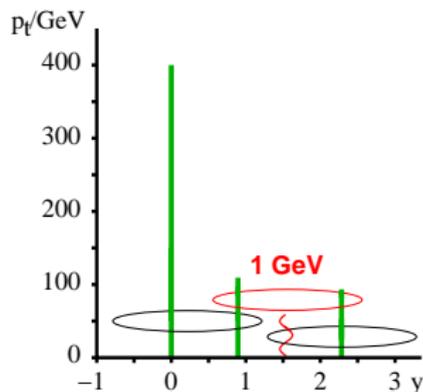
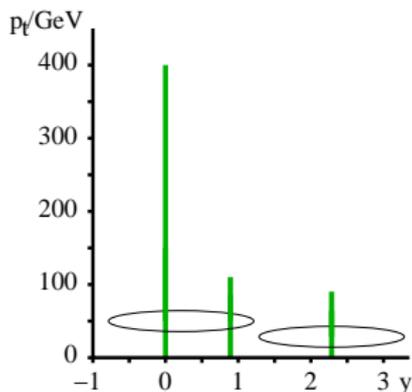
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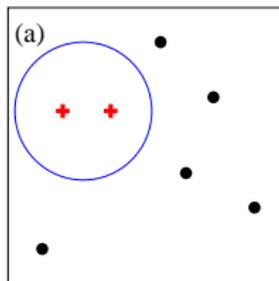
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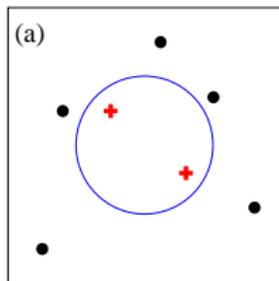
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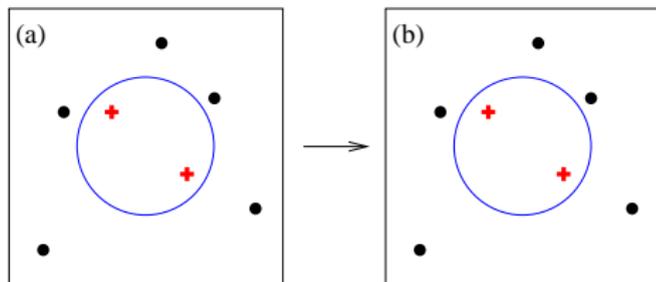
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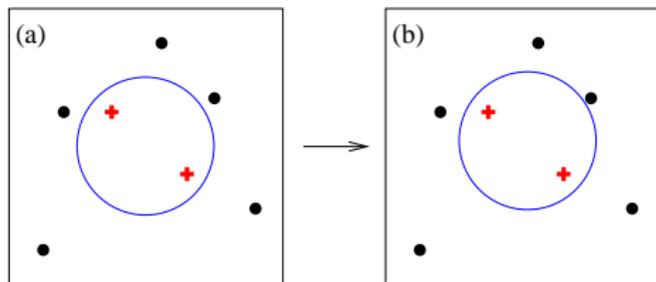
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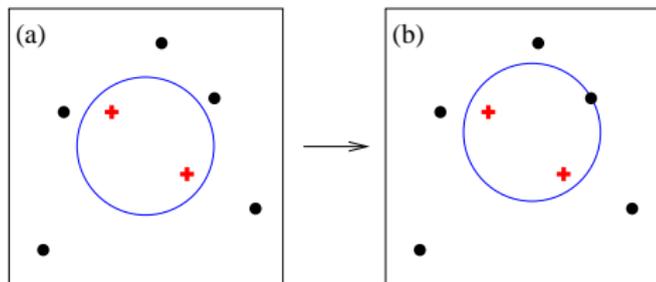
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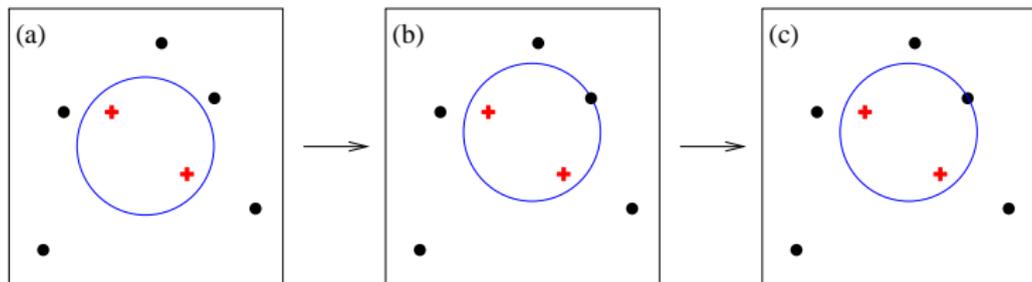
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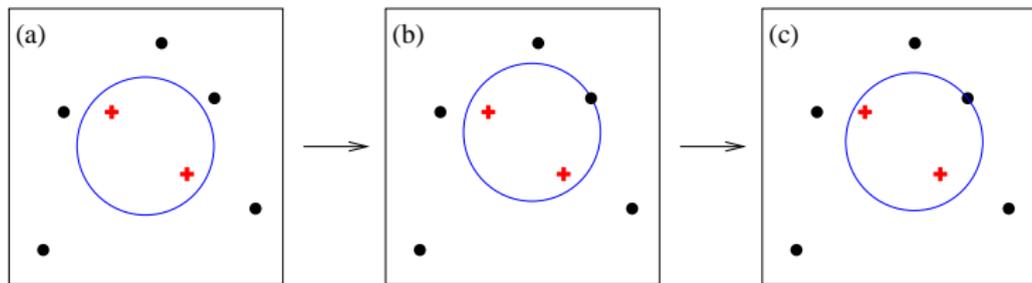
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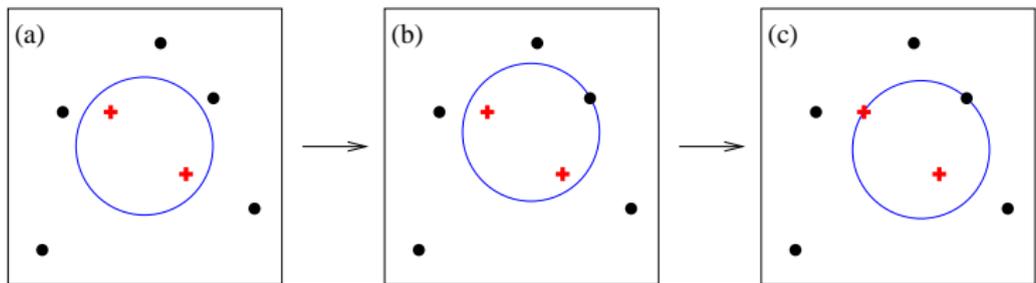
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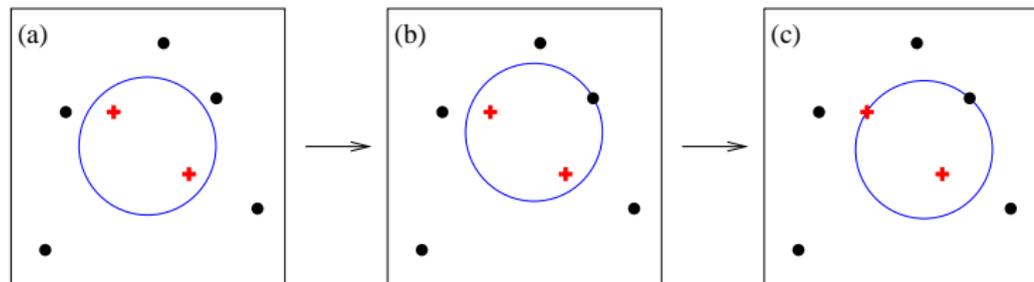
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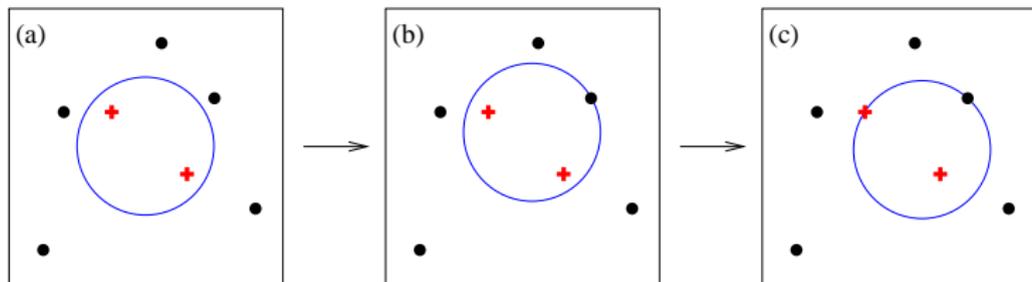
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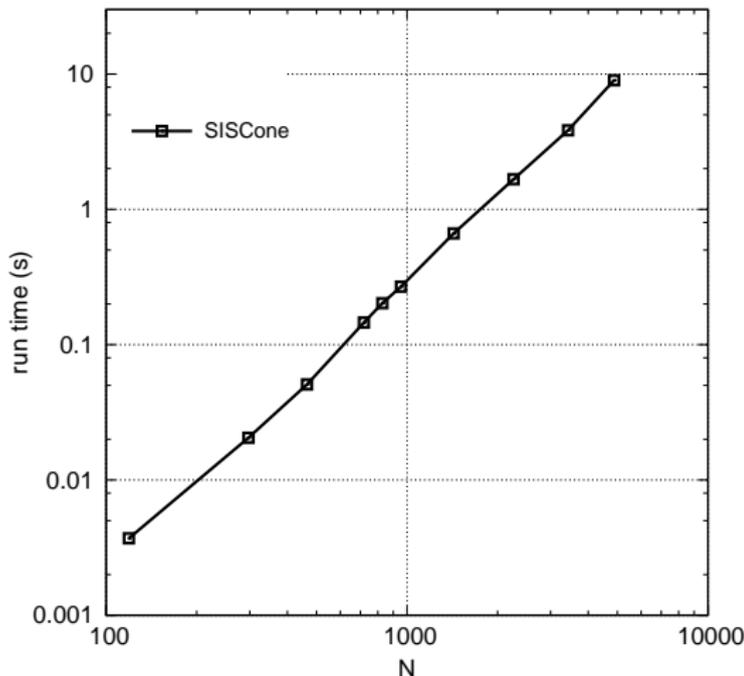
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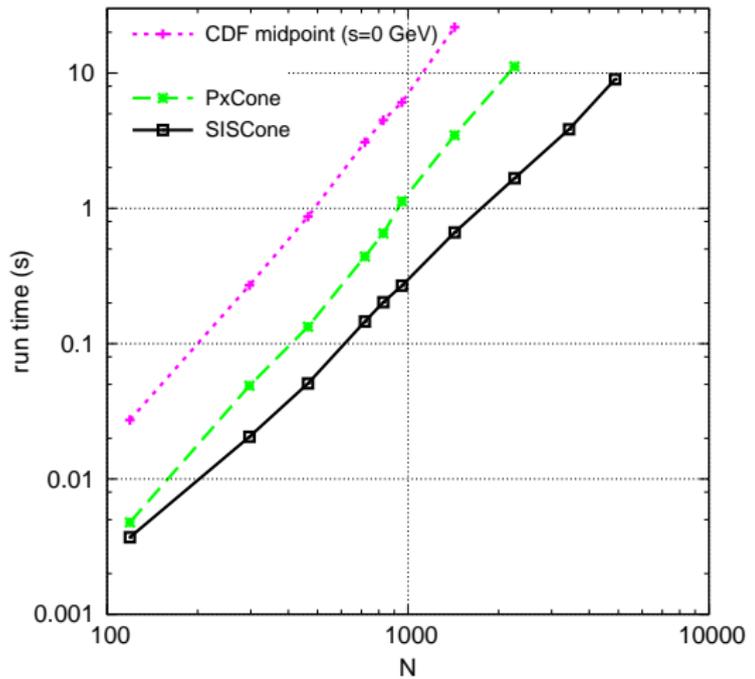
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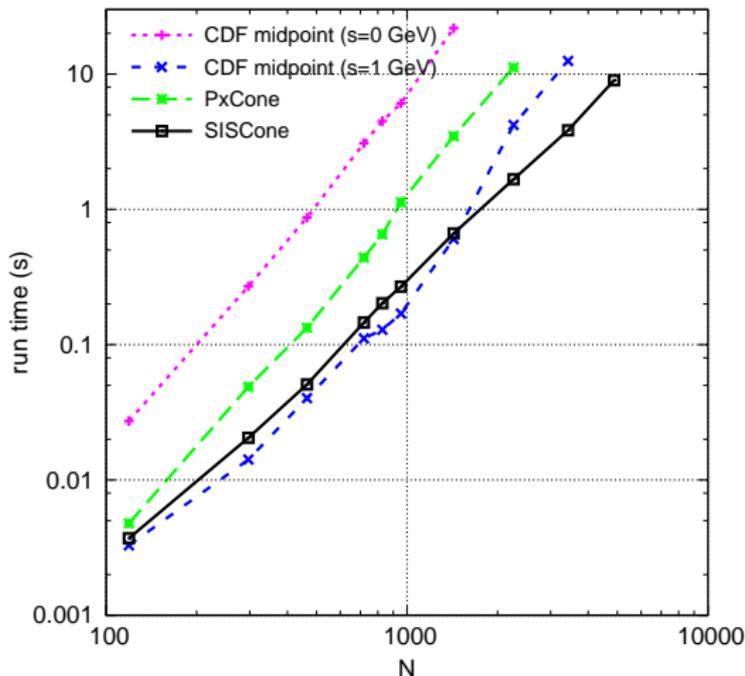
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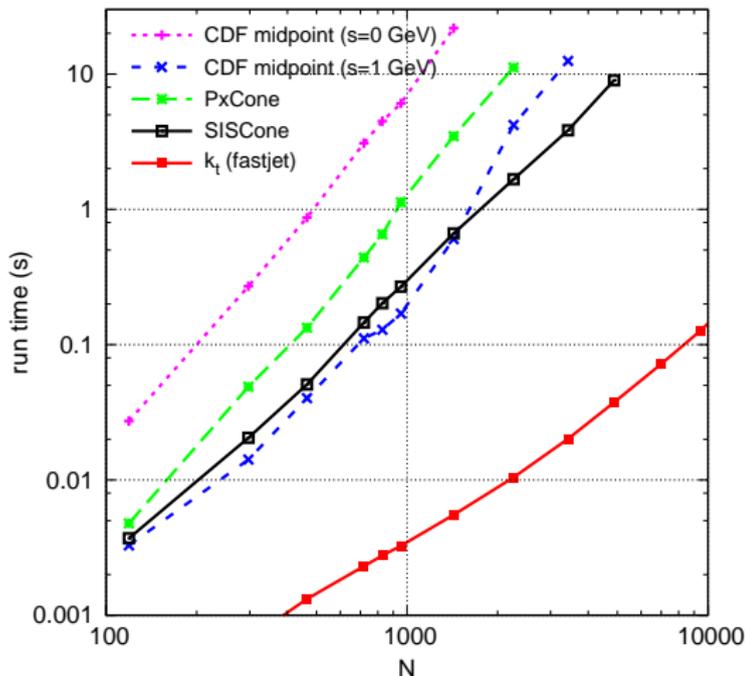
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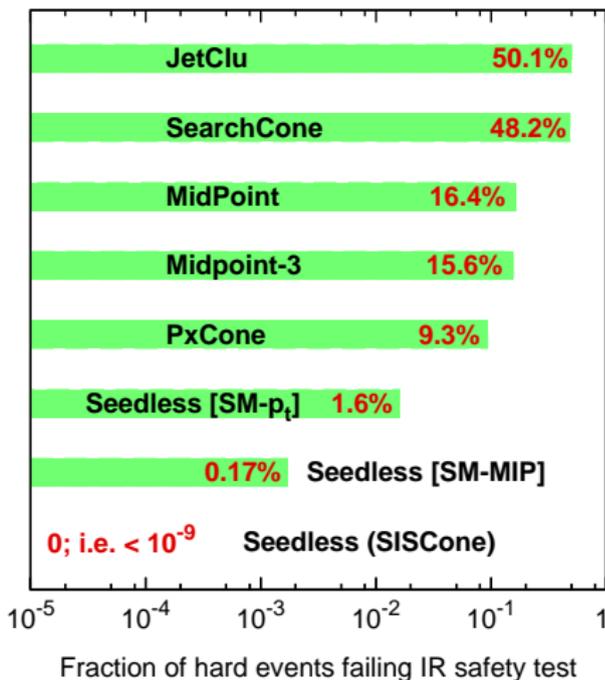
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All accessible in FastJet

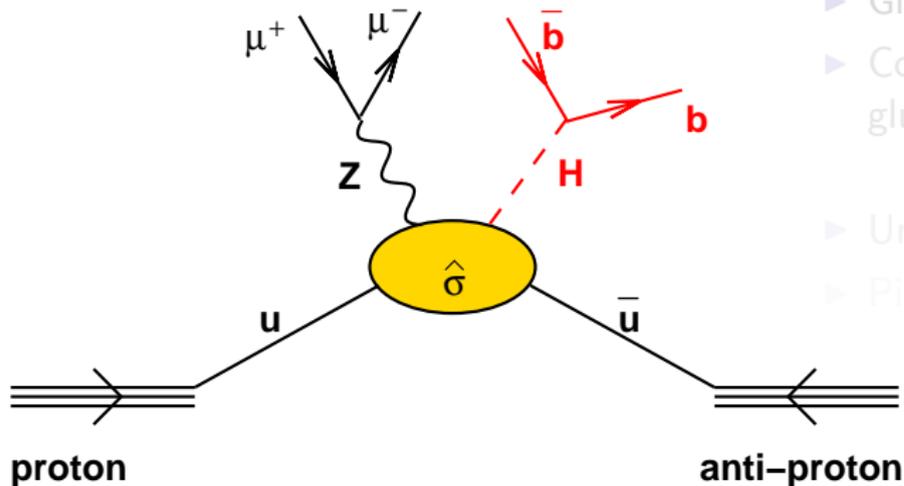
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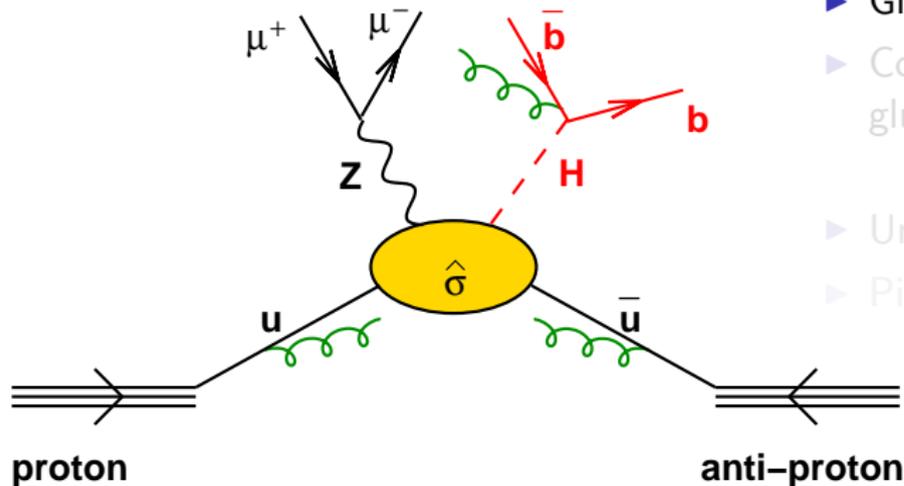
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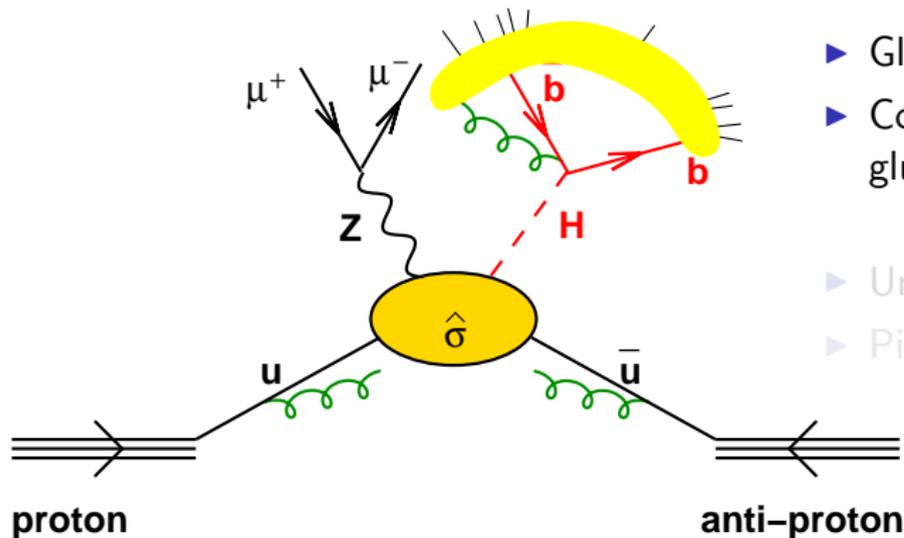
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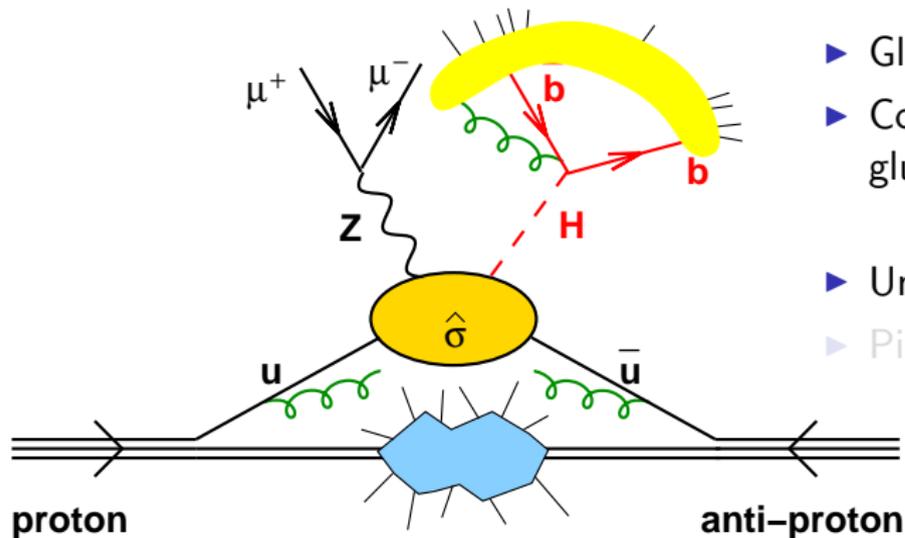


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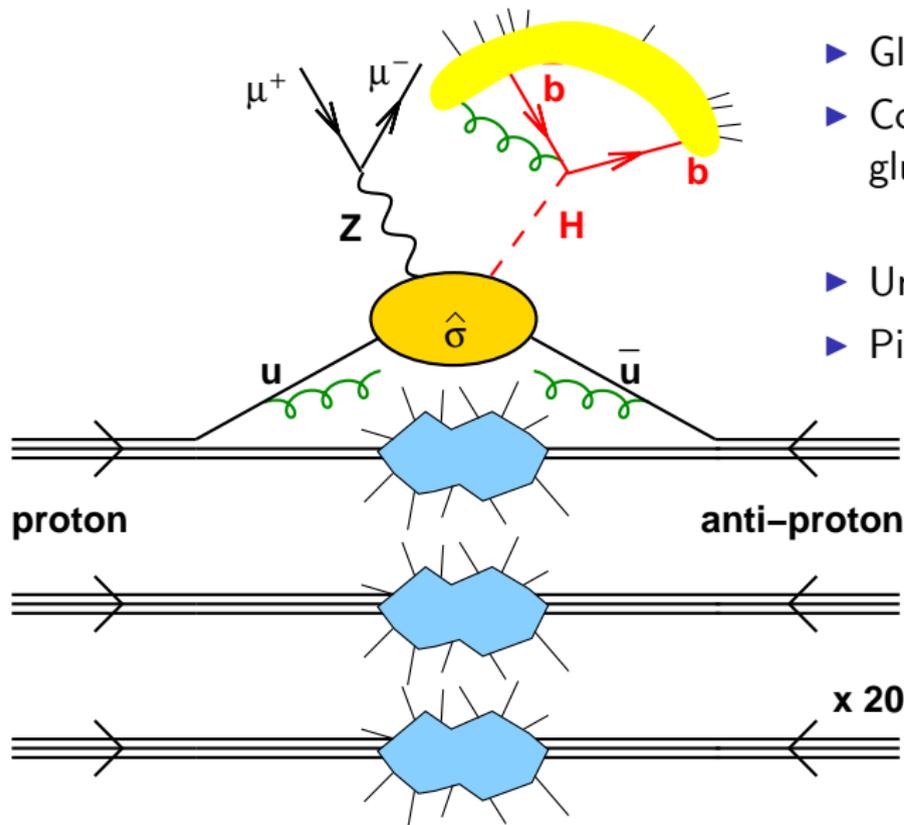


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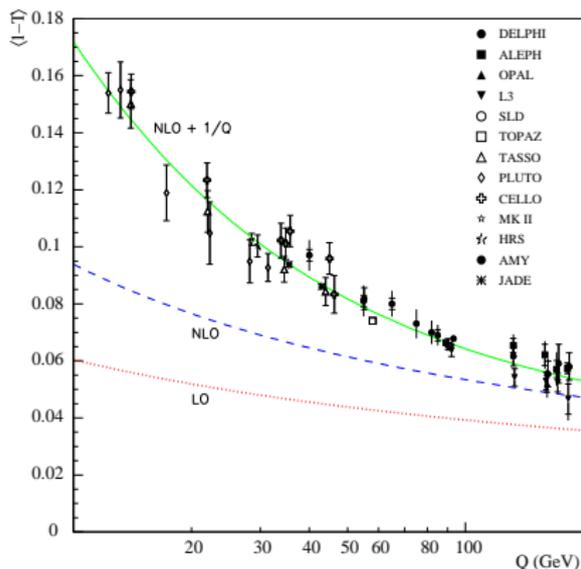
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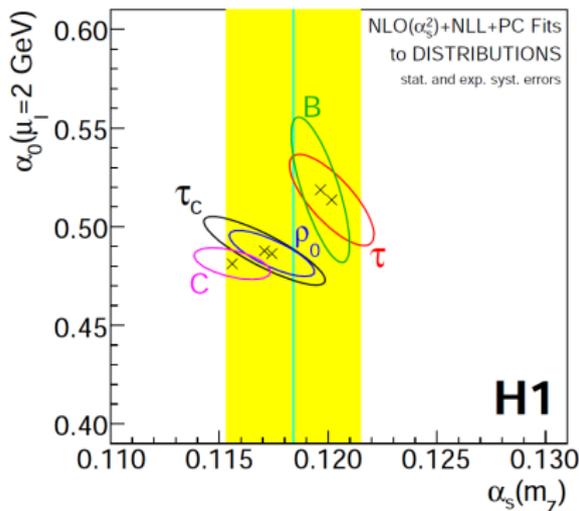
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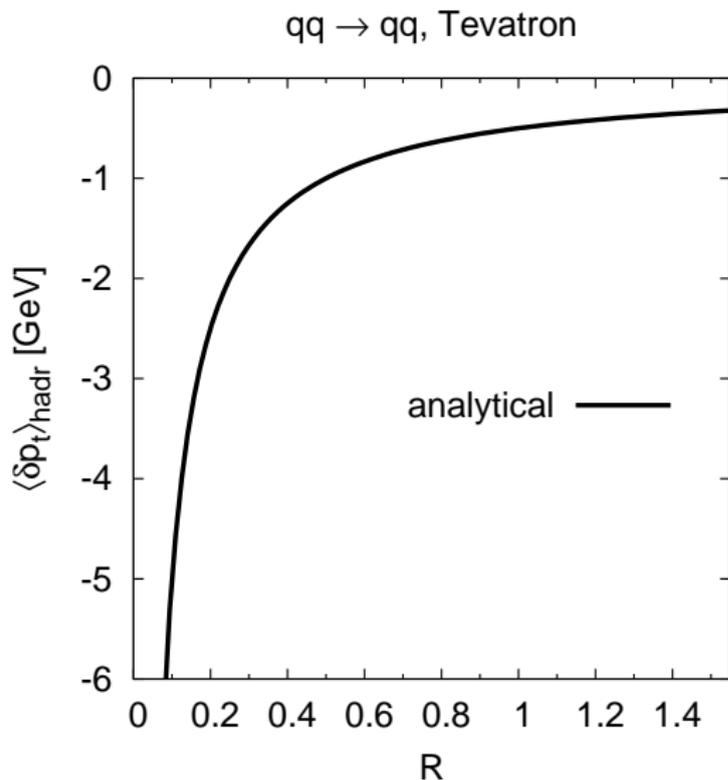
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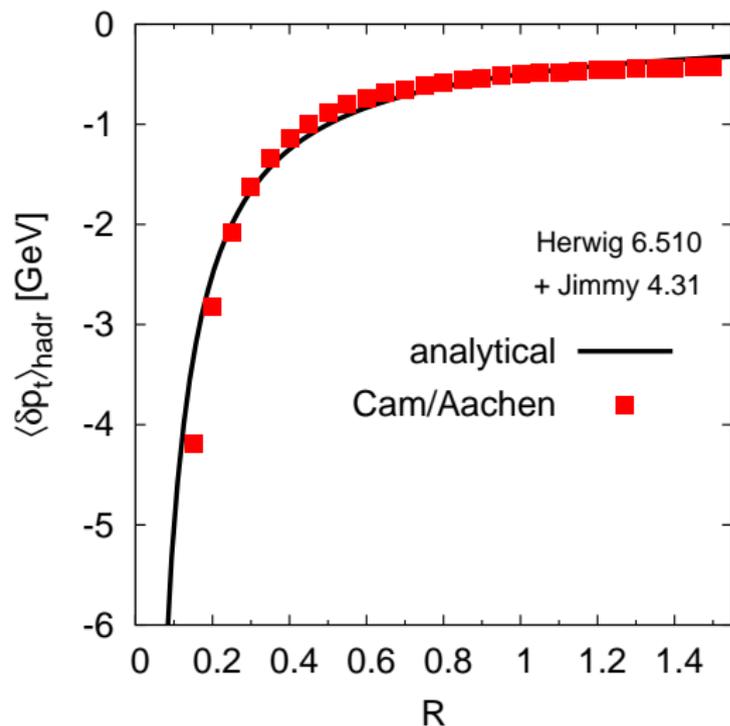
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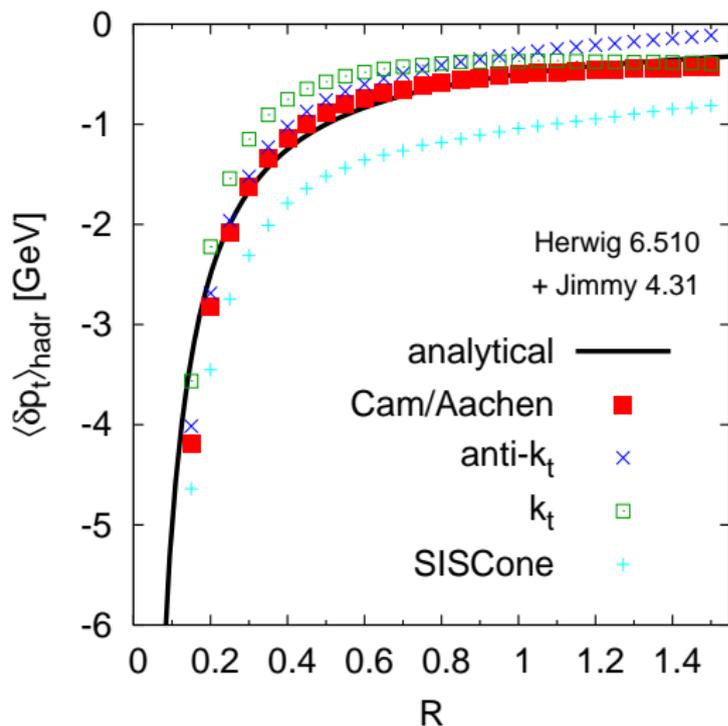
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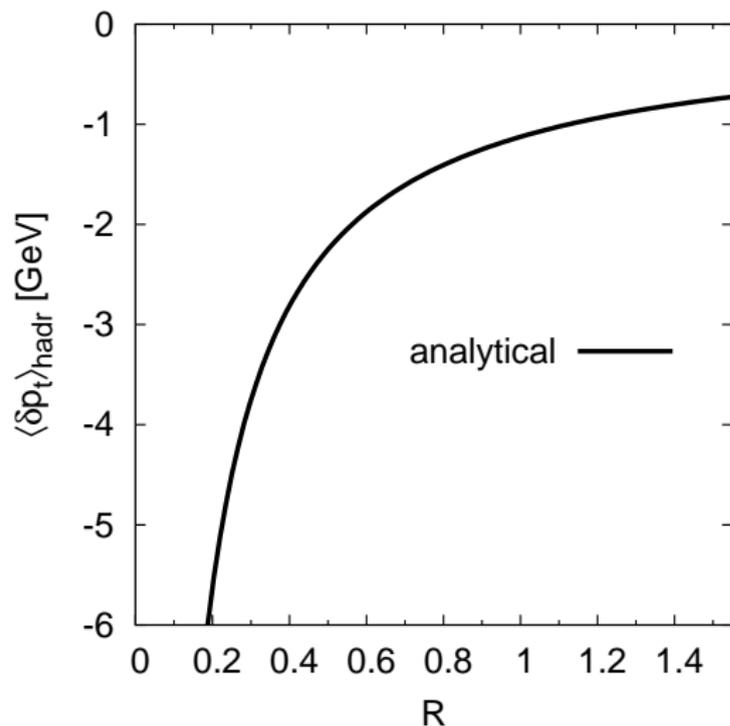
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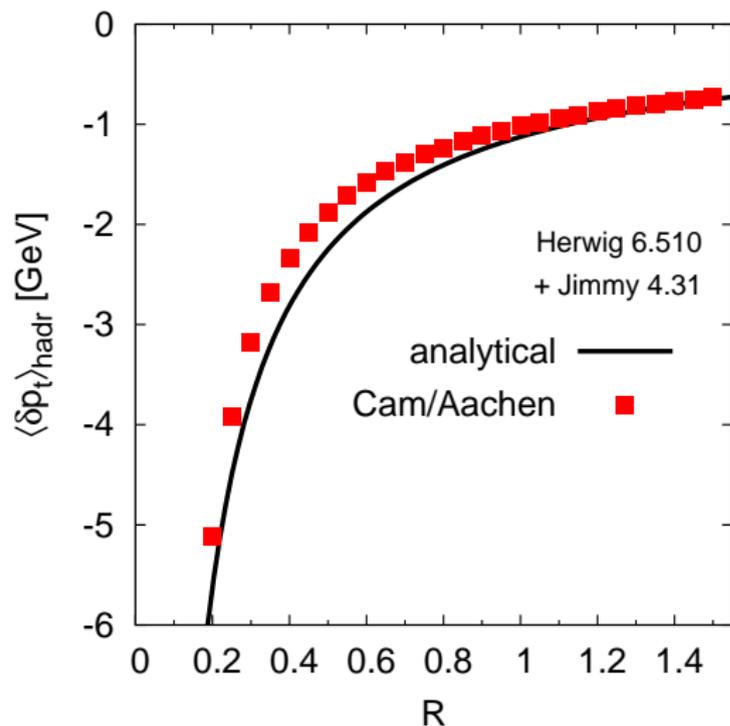
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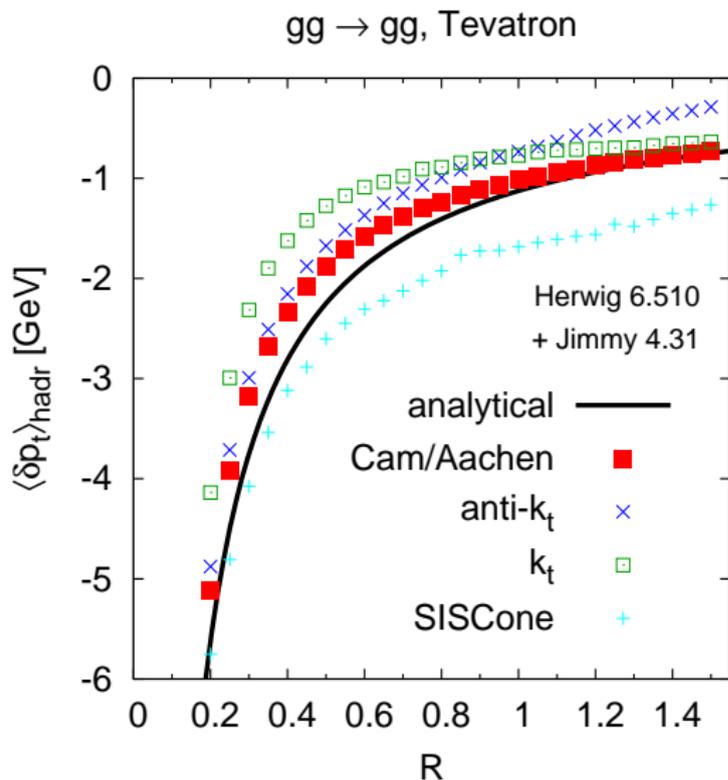
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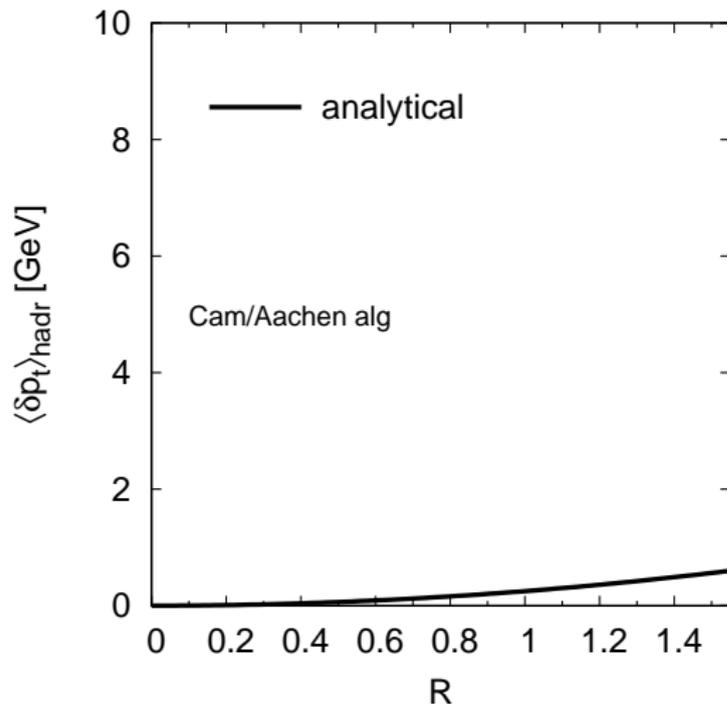
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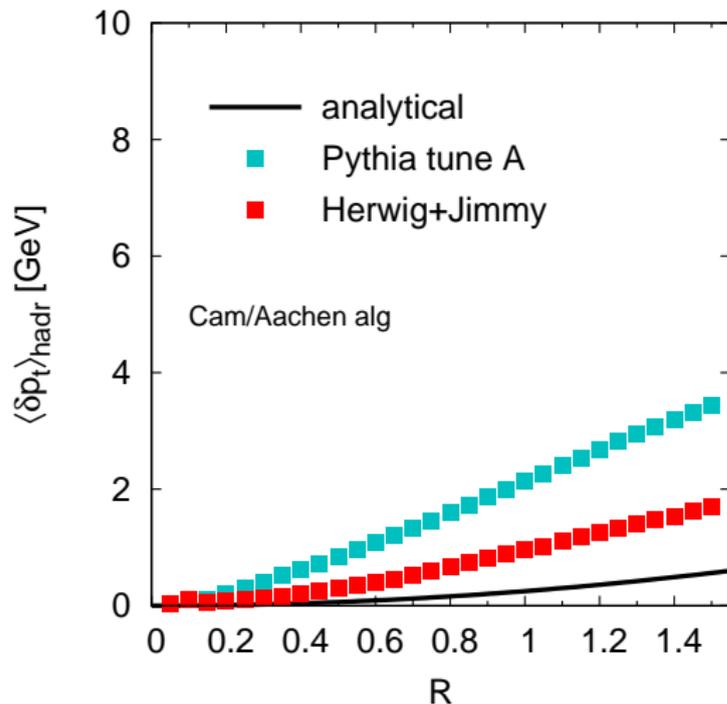
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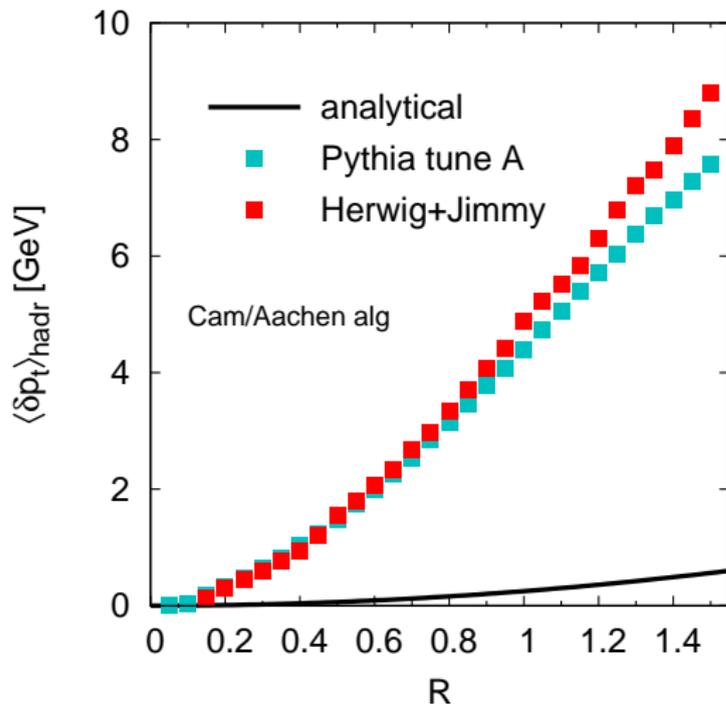
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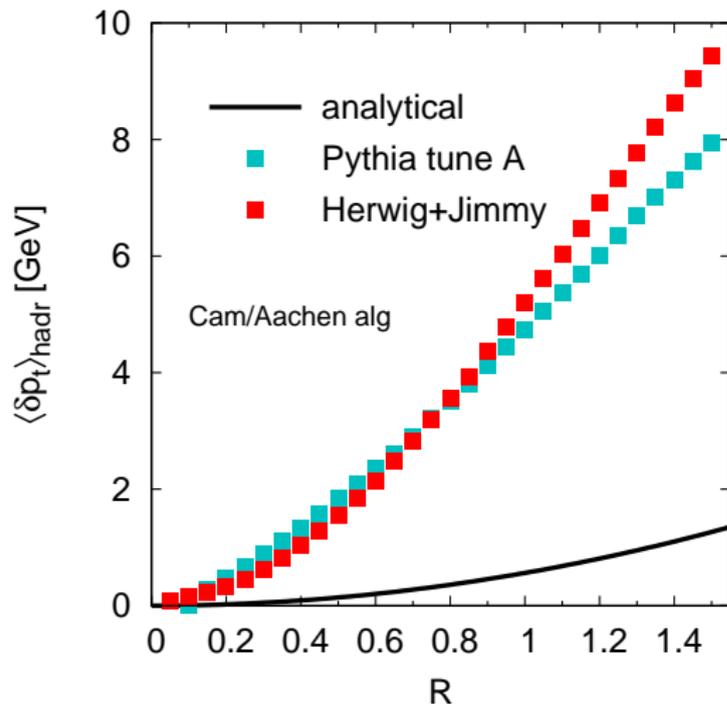
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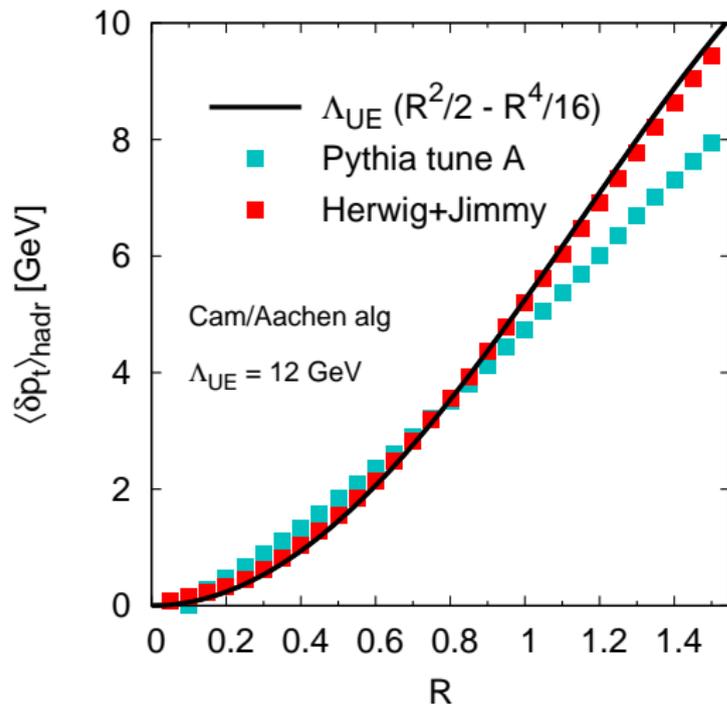
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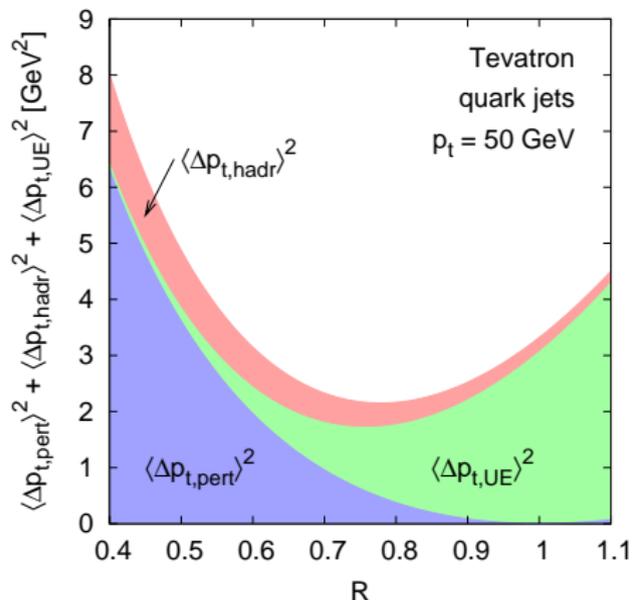
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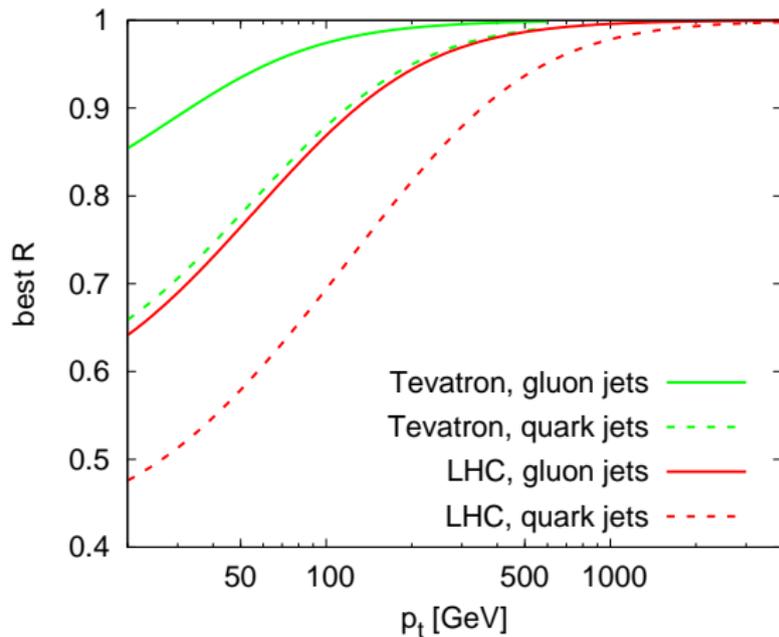


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## Basic messages

- ▶ higher  $p_t \rightarrow$  larger  $R$   
Most say opposite
- ▶ larger  $R$  for gluons than quarks  
Gluon jets wider
- ▶ smaller  $R$  at LHC than Tevatron  
UE larger

This last part of talk was an overview of *1 of several* recent jet topics

## Others include

- ▶ Subtraction of pileup Cacciari & GPS '07
- ▶ Jet areas  $\leftrightarrow$  sensitivity to UE/pileup Cacciari, GPS & Soyez prelim
- ▶ “Optimising  $R$ ” — cross checking with MC  
Cacciari, Rojo, GPS & Soyez, for Les Houches
- ▶ Jet flavour — e.g. reducing  $b$ -jet theory uncertainties from 40 – 60% to 10 – 20%.  
Banfi, GPS & Zanderighi '06, '07

- ▶ Jets are the closest we can get to seeing and giving meaning to partons
- ▶ Play a pivotal role in experimental analyses, comparisons to QCD calculations
- ▶ Significant progress in past 2 years towards making them *consistent* (IR/Collinear safe) and *practical* Link with computational geometry
- ▶ The physics of how jets behave in a hadron-collider environment is a rich subject — much to be understood, and potential for significant impact in how jets are used at LHC