

# N-jettiness Subtractions

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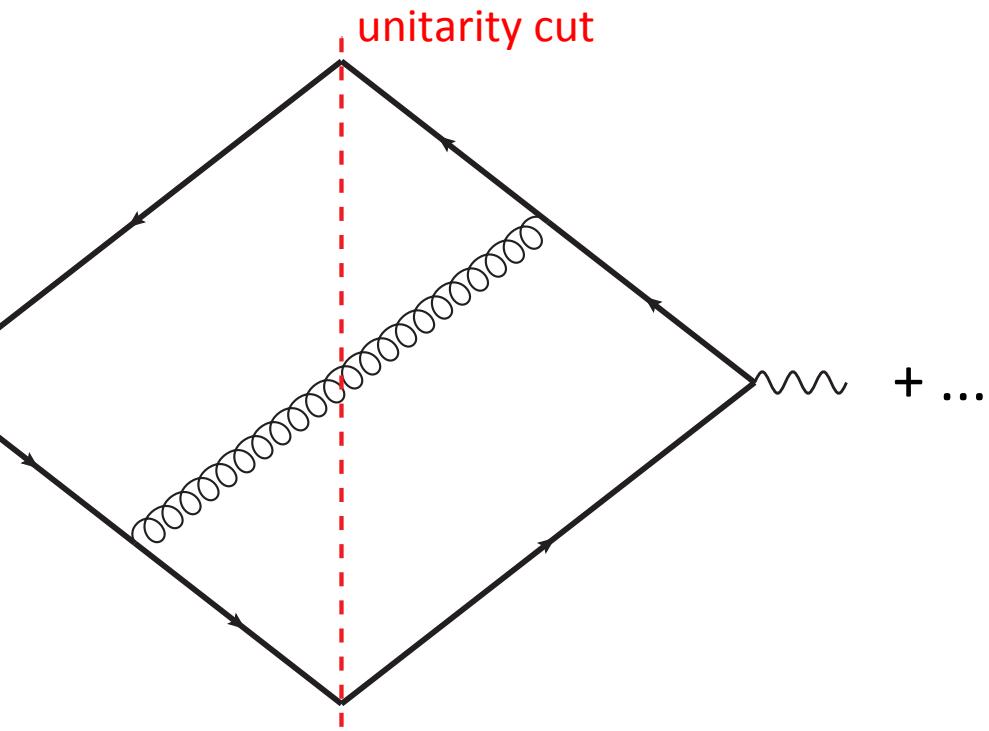
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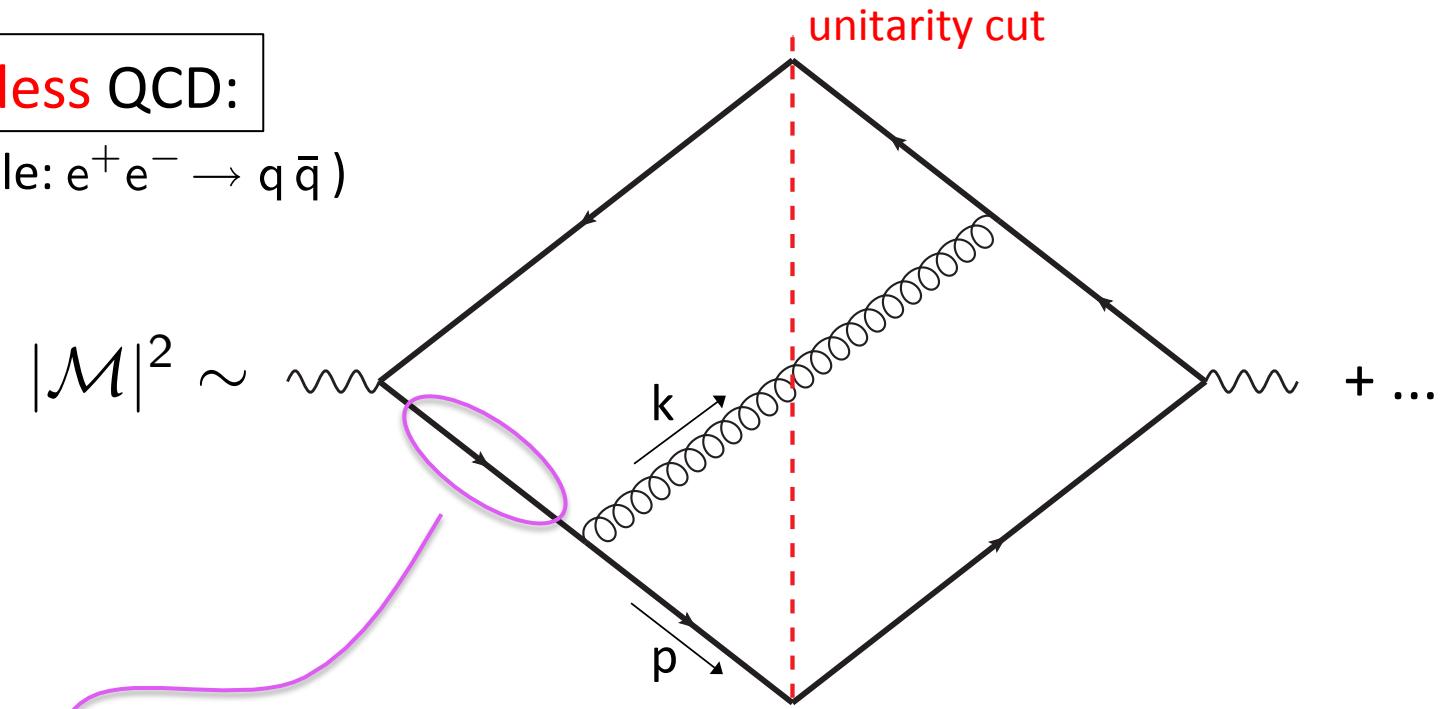


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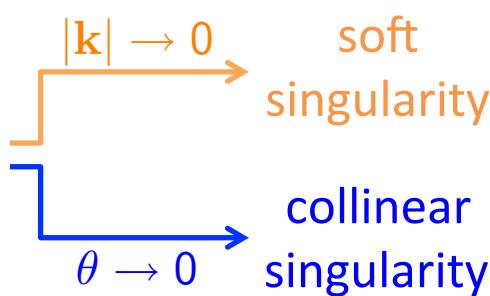
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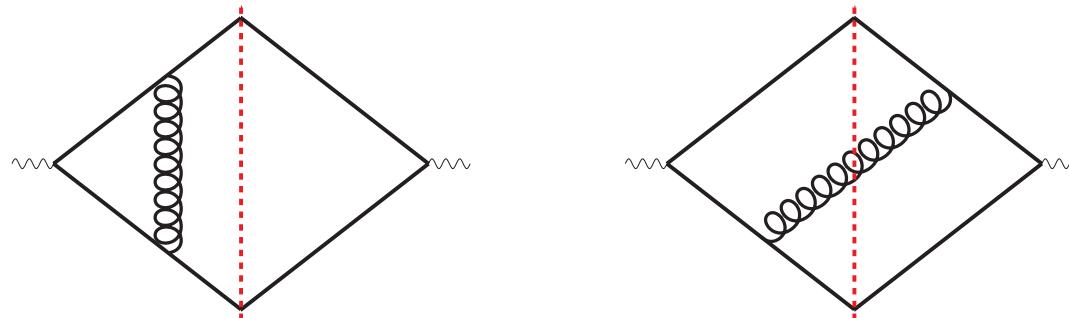
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Kinoshita-Lee-Nauenberg (KLN) theorem:

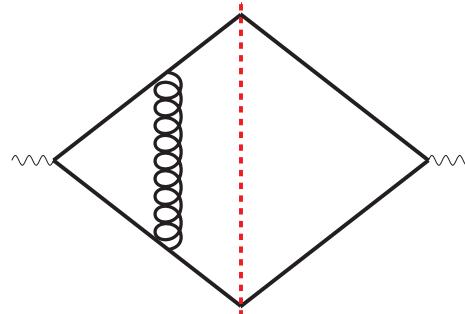
IR singularities cancel for “physical” (IR safe) observables.

- Implies sum over degenerate initial ( $\rightarrow$ PDFs) and final states.
- Cancellation between **virtual** and **real** quantum corrections at every order in perturbation theory.



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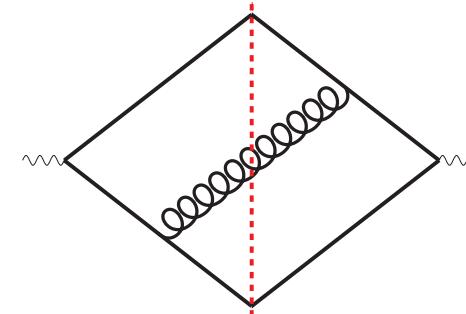


Virtual

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Regularization

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{\epsilon^n} \text{ poles}$$

(Must at higher orders)



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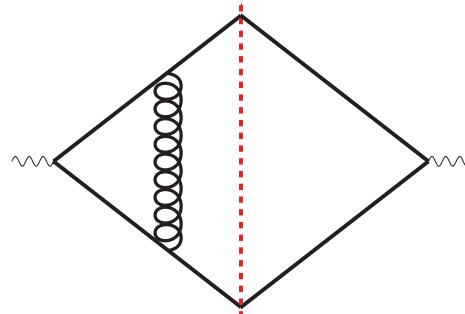
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Cancellation  
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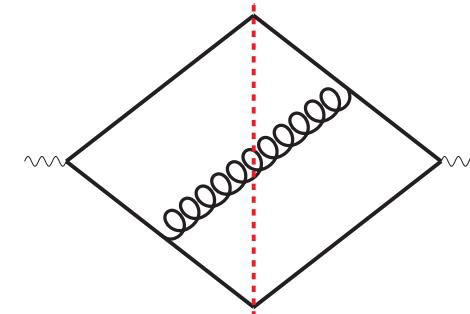
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# Outline

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- IR Subtraction/Slicing Methods
- The N-jettiness Event Shape
- NNLO Ingredients
- Applications/Results
- Possible Extensions
- Summary

# IR Subtraction/Slicing Methods

**N-jet cross section (i.e. N hard final state partons):**

[X = set of (Born-level) kinematic variables the (differential) cross section depends on.]

$$\sigma_{\text{LO}}(X) = \int_N d\sigma_{\text{LO}}(X)$$

  
N-parton phase space

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The equation for the NNLO cross section is shown with three terms. Below each term, there is a blue arrow pointing upwards, indicating the level of the corresponding Feynman diagram. The first term,  $d\sigma_{\text{NNLO}}^{VV}(X)$ , corresponds to tree-level diagrams. The second term,  $d\sigma_{\text{NNLO}}^{RV}(X)$ , corresponds to 1-loop diagrams. The third term,  $d\sigma_{\text{NNLO}}^{RR}(X)$ , corresponds to 2-loop diagrams.

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Problem: Achieve cancellation of IR poles!

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- Catani-Seymour (Dipole) [Catani, Seymour, '96]
- FKS [Frixione, Kunszt, Signer, '96]
- Nagy-Soper [Nagy, Soper, '07; Chung, Krämer, Robens, '10]
- FDU [Sborlini, Driencourt-Magnin, Hernandez-Pinto, Rodrigo, '16]

✓ Well established

✓ Arbitrary N-jet processes

✓ Automated:

HERWIG++, SHERPA, MUNICH; MG5\_aMC, POWHEG-BOX, WHIZARD;  
HELAC+DEDUCTOR; MCFM, ...

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NNLO

very complicated, hard to automate,  
but successfully applied to several LHC processes, e.g.:

- Sector decomposition [Anastasiou, Melnikov, Petriello, '03]
  - $pp \rightarrow H, V$  [Anastasiou, Melnikov, Petriello, '03-04]
- Sector-improved subtraction schemes (STRIPPER) [Czakon, '10]
  - $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}$  [Czakon, Fiedler, Mitev, '13]
  - $pp \rightarrow H + j$  [Boughezal, Caola, Melnikov, Petriello, Schulze, '13-15]
- Antenna subtraction [Gehrman-De Ridder, Gehrman, Glover, '05]
  - $e^+e^- \rightarrow 3j$  [Gehrman-De Ridder, Gehrman, Glover, Heinrich '07] [Weinzierl, '08]
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  - $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}$  (partial) [Abelof, Gehrman-De Ridder, Maierhofer, Majer, Pozzorini, '11-15]
- Colorful NNLO [Del Duca, Somogyi, Trocsanyi, '05]
  - $e^+e^- \rightarrow 3j$  [Del Duca, Duhr, Somogyi, Tramontano, Trocsanyi, '16]

# IR Subtraction/Slicing Methods

Alternative method:

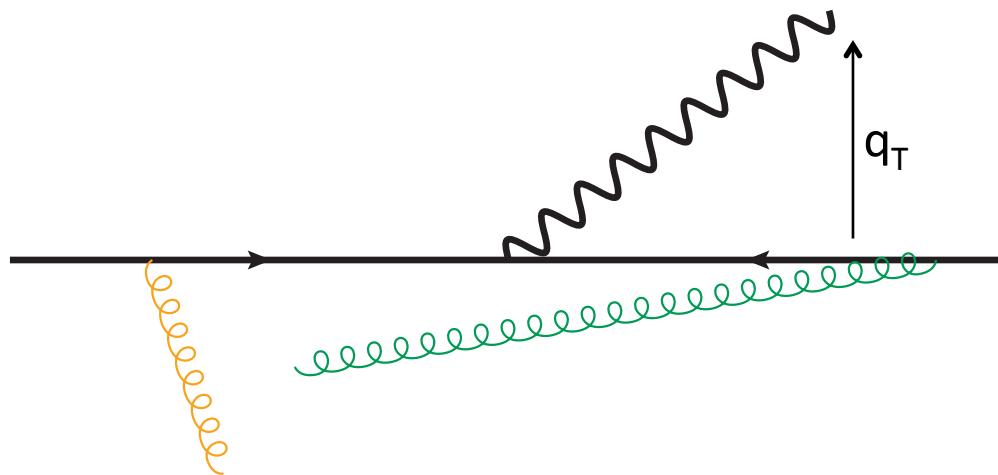
Phase space **Slicing** (non-local subtraction)

prototype:

**$q_T$  - subtraction**

[Catani, Grazzini, '07]

Transverse momentum  $q_T$  of color-neutral final state controls real emissions!



$q_T > 0$   
requires  
at least one non-singular  
real emission!

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[Collins, Soper, Sterman '84]

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expansion in small  $q_T$

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- Exploits existing NLO technology
- Easy to implement
- Large numerical cancellations as  $q_T^{\text{cut}} \ll Q$  ( $\rightarrow$  computer intensive)

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Very successful for LHC processes with colorless ( $N=0$ ) final state:

- $H$  [Catani, Grazzini, '07]
- $W/Z$  [Catani, Cieri, Ferrera, de Florian, Grazzini, '09]
- $\gamma\gamma$  [Catani, Cieri, Ferrera, de Florian, Grazzini, '12]
- $WH$  [Ferrera, Grazzini, Tramontano '11]
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- $ZZ$  [Cascioli et al., '14] [Grazzini, Kallweit, Rathlev '15]
- $W^+W^-$  [Gehrmann et al., '14] [Grazzini, Kallweit, Pozzorini, Rathlev, Wiesemann, '16]
- $Z\gamma/W\gamma$  [Grazzini, Kallweit, Rathlev, Torre '14] [Grazzini, Kallweit, Rathlev '15]
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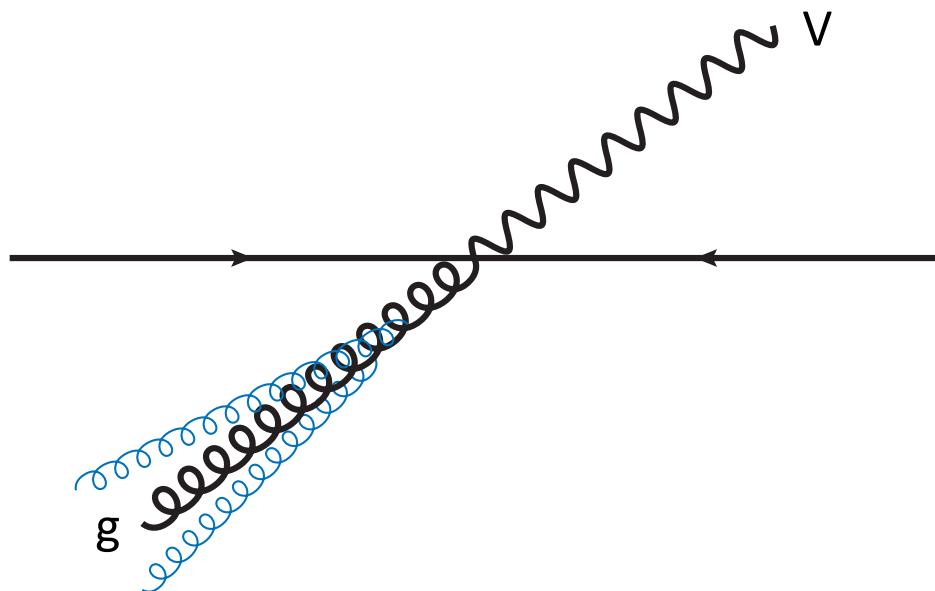
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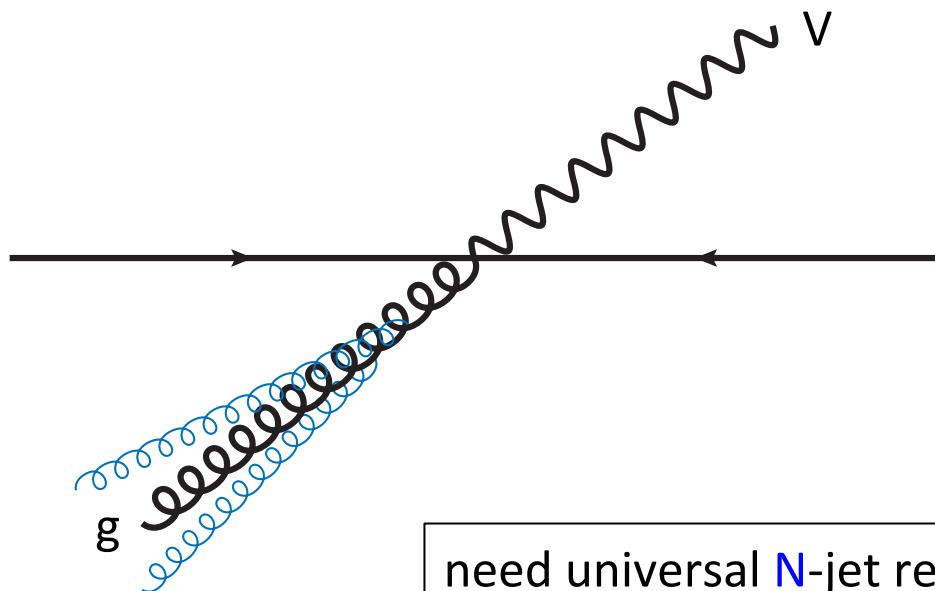
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need universal  $N$ -jet resolution variable →  **$N$ -jettiness**

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[Stewart, Tackmann, Waalewijn, '10]

Definition:

$$\mathcal{T}_N = \sum_{k=1}^M \min_i \left\{ 2 \hat{q}_i \cdot p_k \right\}$$

N final state jets      final state parton momenta

jet “directions”:  $\hat{q}_i = \frac{q_i}{Q_i}$ ,  $i = a, b, 1, \dots, N$

$\hat{q}_{a,b}$  fixed to the beam directions!

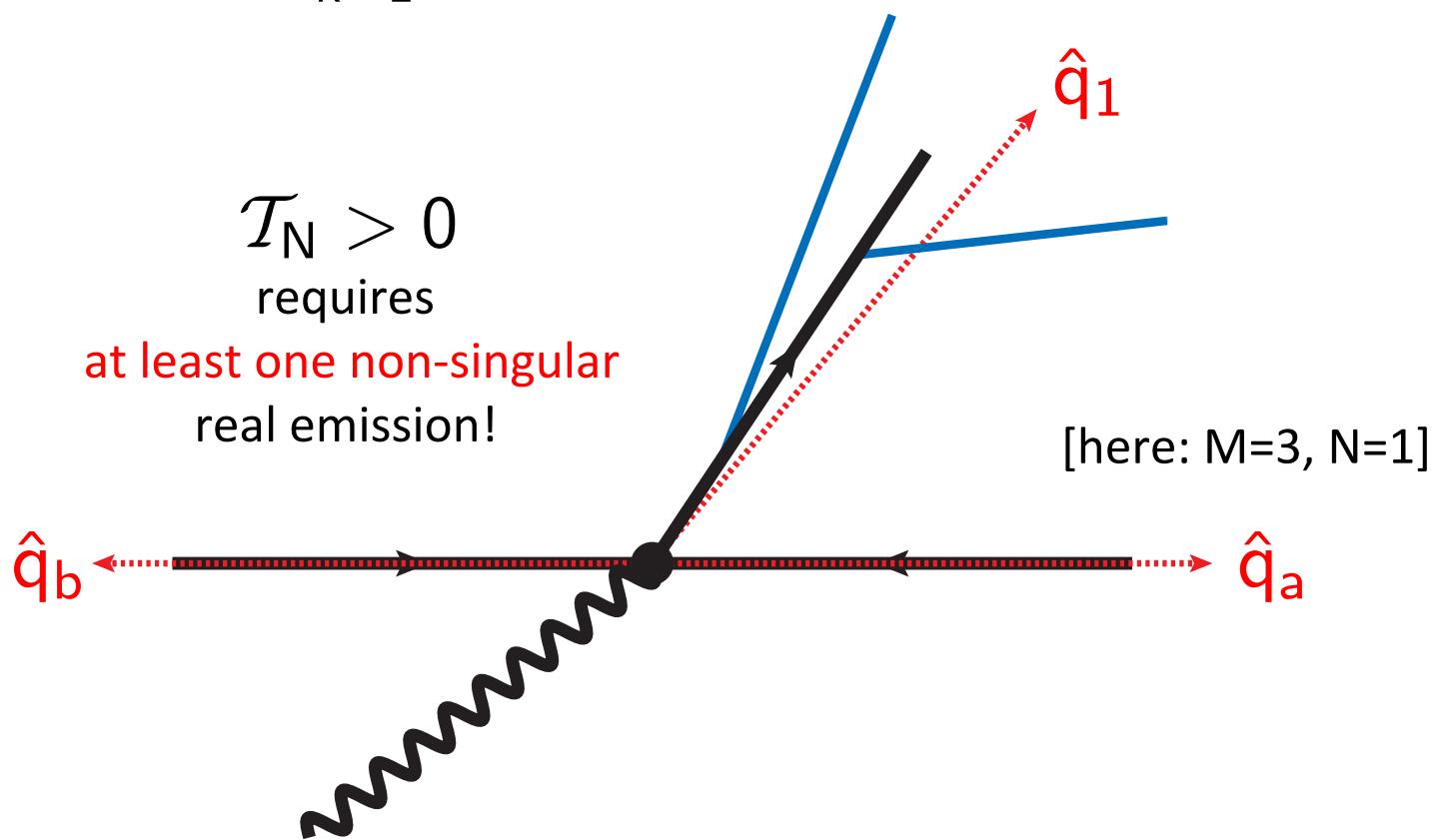
(jet momenta  $q_i$  determined by any jet algorithm,  
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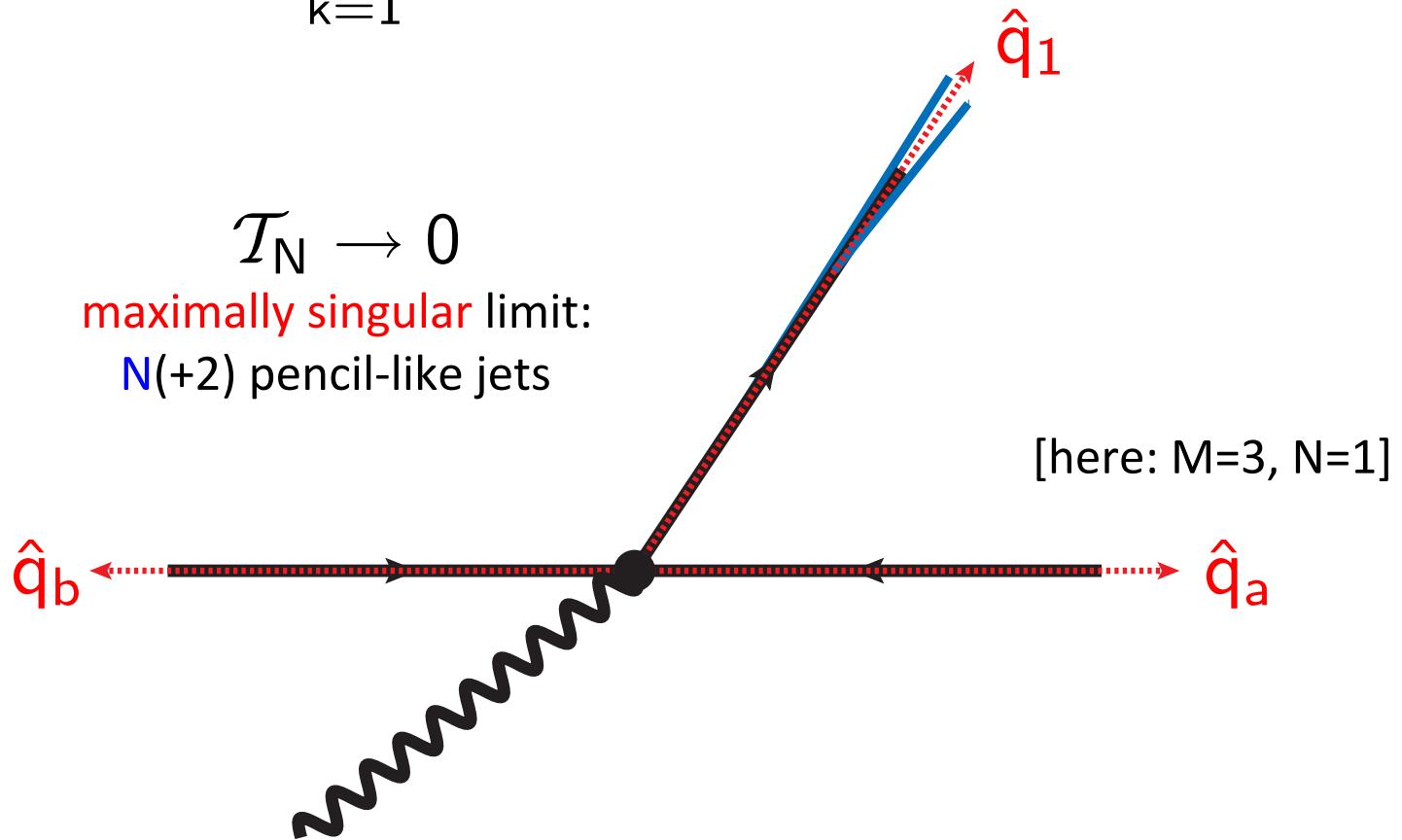
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$\mathcal{T}_N \rightarrow 0$   
maximally singular limit:  
 $N(+2)$  pencil-like jets

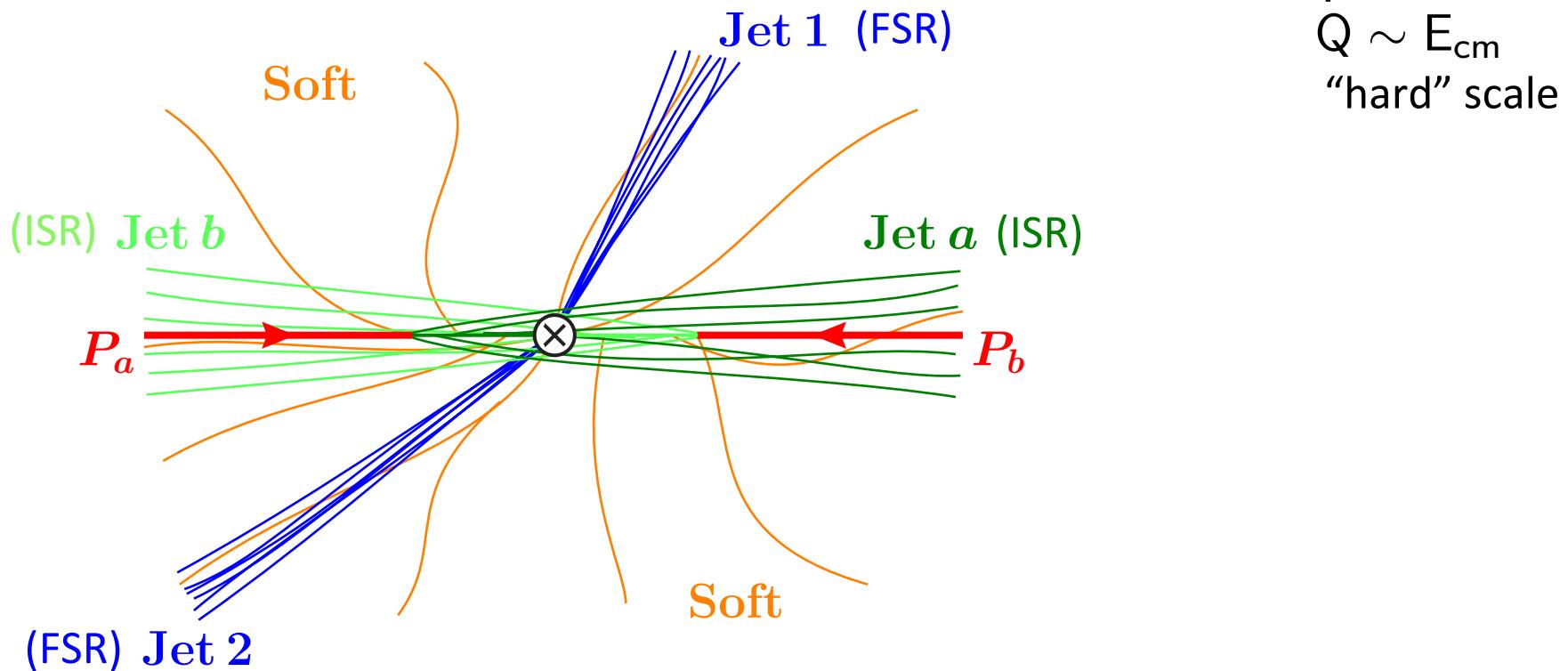


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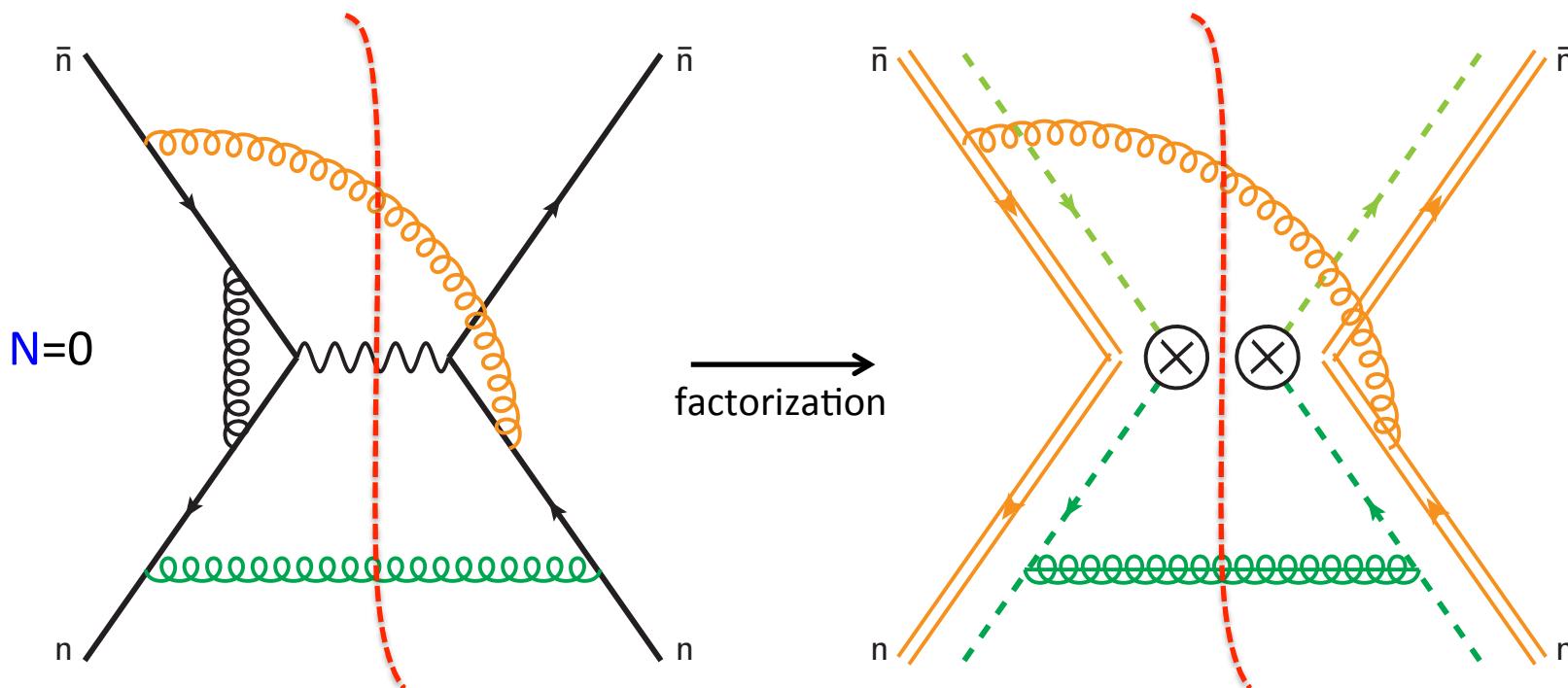


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$\hat{H}(\Phi_N, \mu)$   
“hard function”

- depends on Born PS
- matrix in color space

$\hat{S}_N(k_a, \dots, k_N, \{\hat{q}_i\}, \mu)$   
“soft function”

- depends jet directions  $\hat{q}_i$
- matrix in color space
- $k_j$ : soft contributions to  $\mathcal{T}_N$  from each jet

$B_a(t_a, x_a, \mu)$   
“beam function”

- depends on virtuality  $t_a$  and Bjorken variable  $x_a$  of incoming parton

$J_i(s_i, \mu)$   
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Derivation in SCET

n-collinear vector  $p^\mu = p^- \frac{n^\mu}{2} + p^+ \frac{\bar{n}^\mu}{2} + p_\perp^\mu \rightarrow (p^-, p^+, p_\perp)$   
“lightcone coordinates”  
 $[n^2 = \bar{n}^2 = 0, n \cdot \bar{n} = 2]$

SCET<sub>I</sub> degrees of freedom:

n-collinear quark   $p^\mu \sim (1, \lambda^2, \lambda)Q$

power counting  
parameter

n-collinear gluon   $p^\mu \sim (1, \lambda^2, \lambda)Q$

$$\lambda^2 = \mathcal{T}_N/Q$$

(ultra)soft gluon   $p^\mu \sim (\lambda^2, \lambda^2, \lambda^2)Q$

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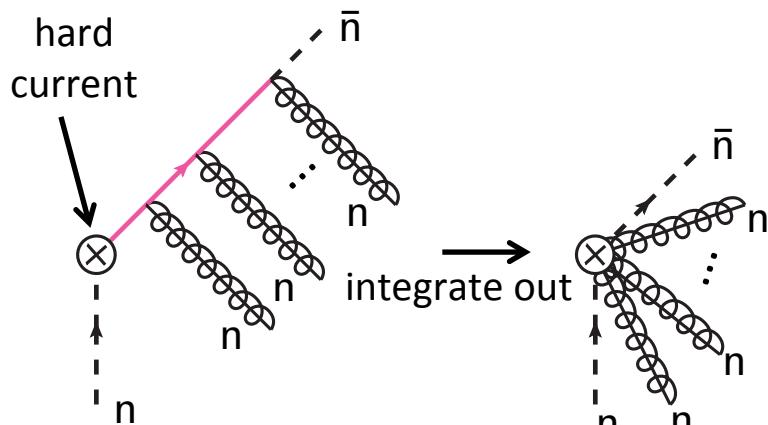
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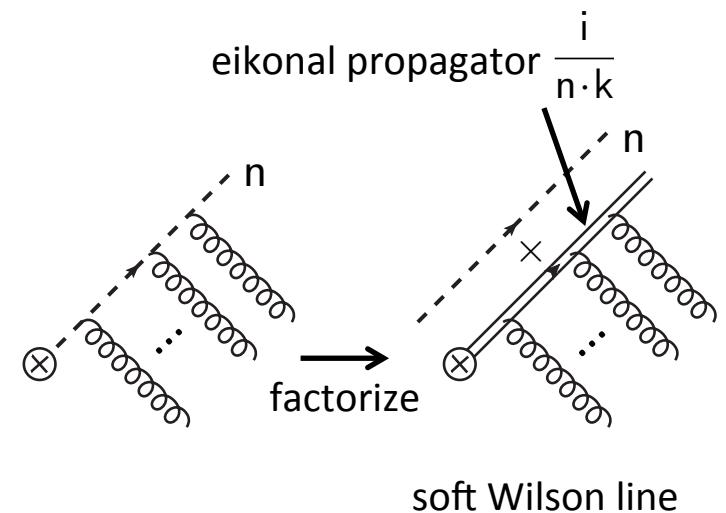
## Derivation in SCET

Integrate out **non-resonant** dofs:



$$W_n = \sum_{\text{perms}} \exp\left(-\frac{g}{\bar{n} \cdot \mathcal{P}} \bar{n} \cdot A_n\right)$$

n-collinear Wilson line



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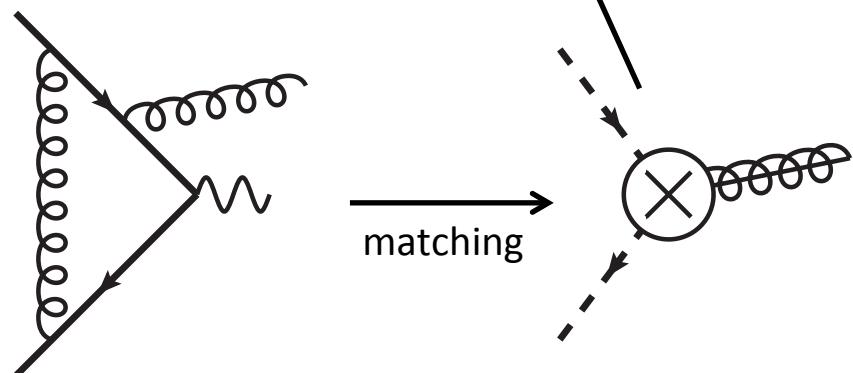
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1-loop calculation

$N=1$



purely virtual full QCD  
contributions (finite parts)

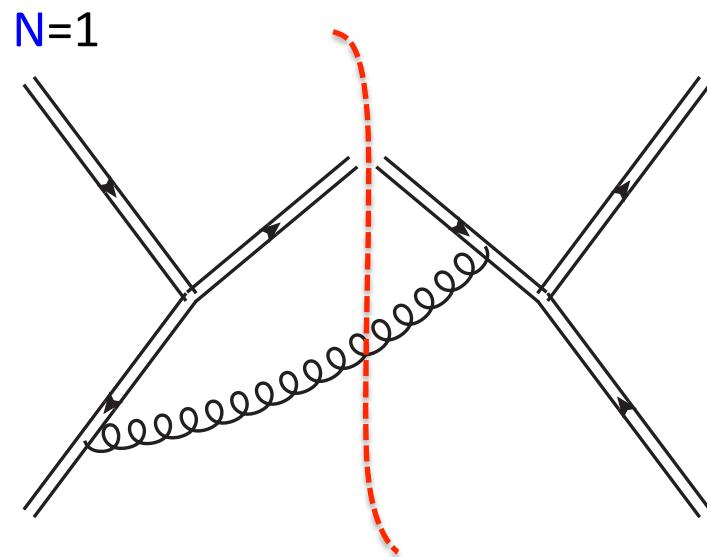
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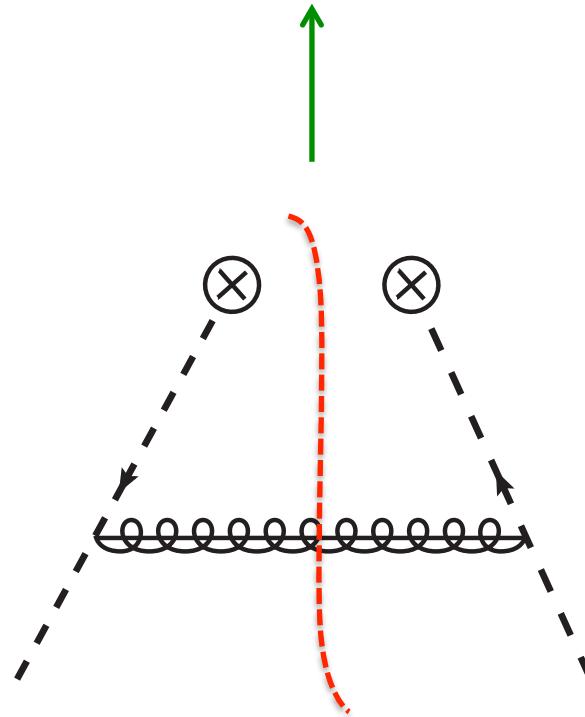
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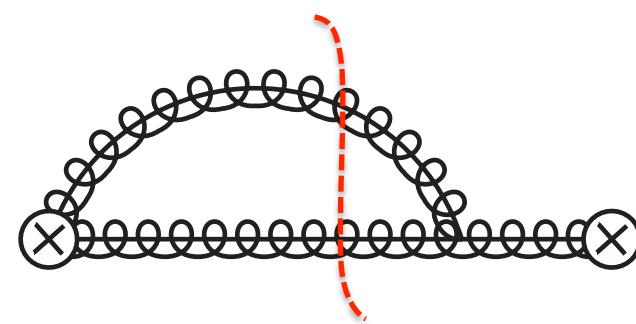
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[Gaunt, MS, Tackmann, '14]

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Diagram illustrating the components of the quark beam function:

- proton state ( $P_n(p^-)$ )
- collinear Wilson line ( $[\bar{q}_n W_n](0)$ )
- operator ( $\hat{\mathcal{M}}$ )
- momentum transfer ( $\frac{\not{n}}{2}$ )
- collinear quark field ( $[\delta(\omega - \hat{p}^-) [W_n^\dagger q_n](0)]$ )
- beam function result ( $B_q$ )

Gluon beam function analogous:  $[W_n^\dagger q_n] \rightarrow \frac{1}{g} [W_n^\dagger iD_{n\perp} W_n]$

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Typical measurement

operators: inclusive:  $\widehat{\mathcal{M}} = \mathbb{1}$  (PDF)

N-jettiness:  $\widehat{\mathcal{M}} = \delta(t - \omega \hat{p}^+)$

“inclusive”  $p_T$ :  $\widehat{\mathcal{M}} = \delta(p_T - \hat{p}_\perp)$  (“TMDPDF”)

fully differential:  $\widehat{\mathcal{M}} = \delta(t - \omega \hat{p}^+) \delta(p_T - \hat{p}_\perp)$

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OPE:  $B_i(t, x, \mu) = \sum_j \int d\xi \ I_{ij} \left( \frac{x}{\xi}, t, \mu \right) f_j(\xi, \mu) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}{t}\right)$

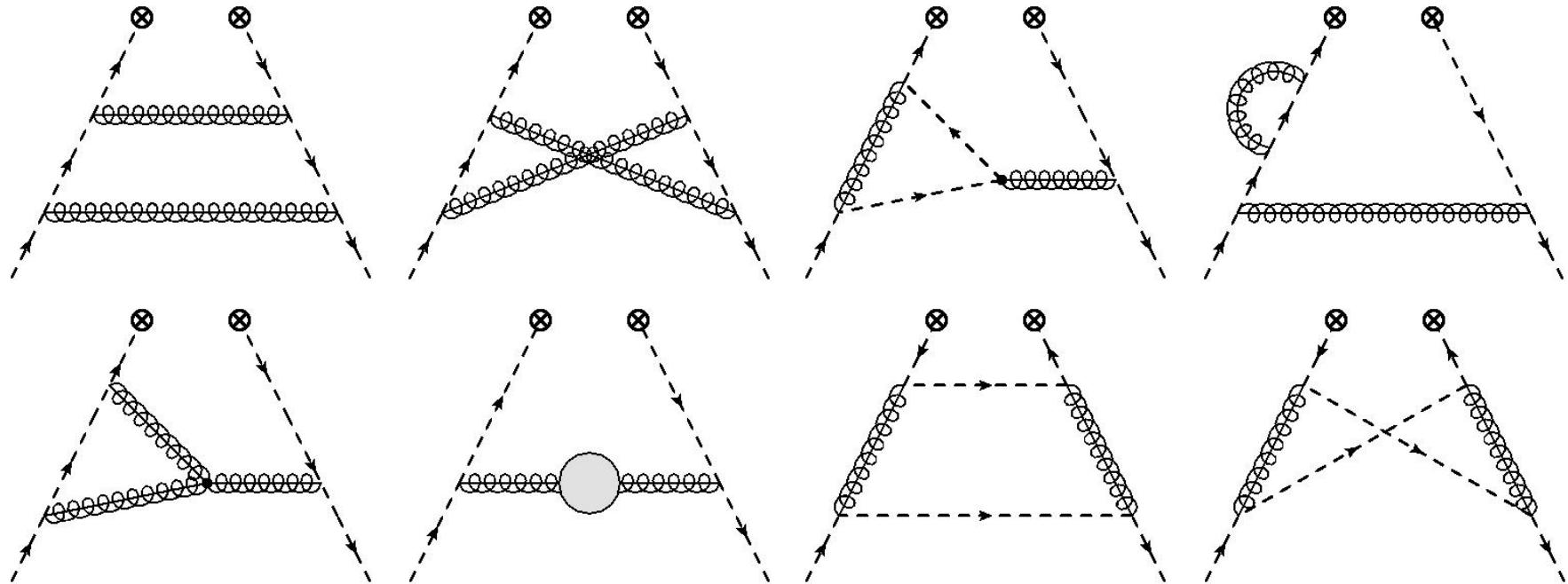


[Collins, Soper, Sterman; Stewart, Tackmann, Waalewijn]

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2-loop

qq-diagrams (axial gauge):



+ diagrams with gluons attached to Wilson lines (in Feynman gauge)

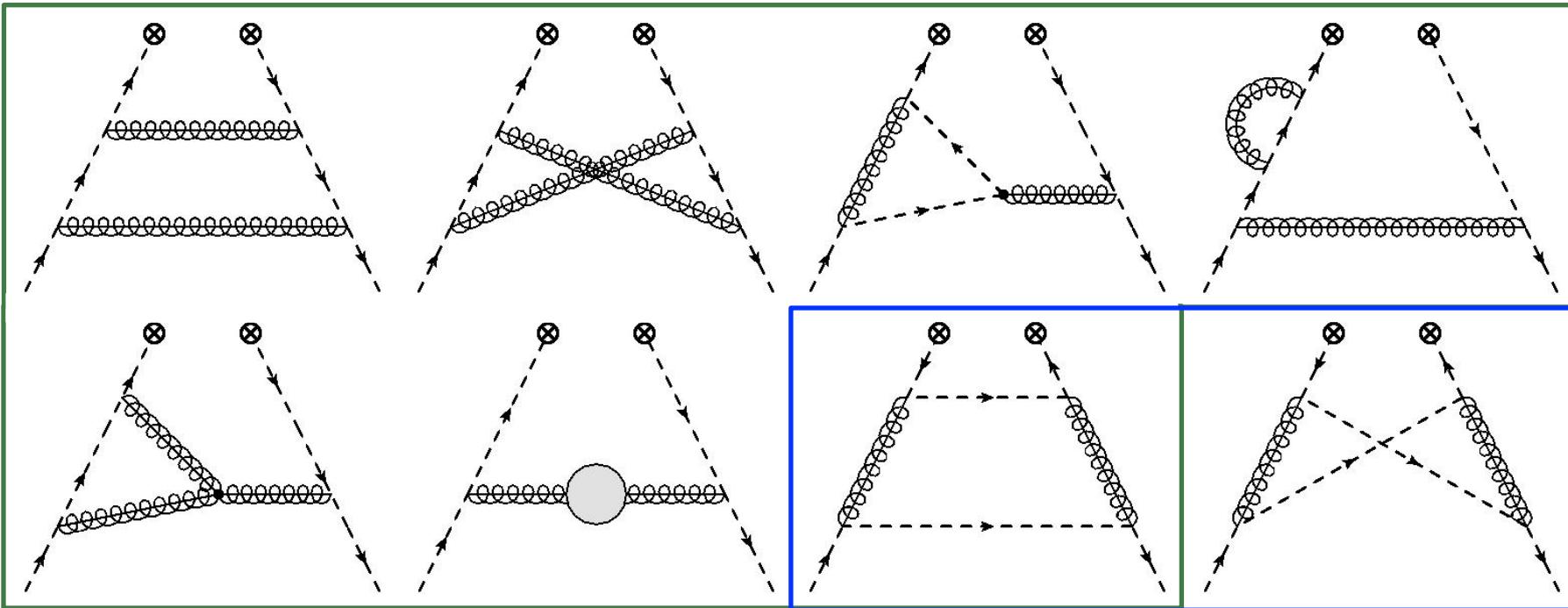
Consider all possible cuts!

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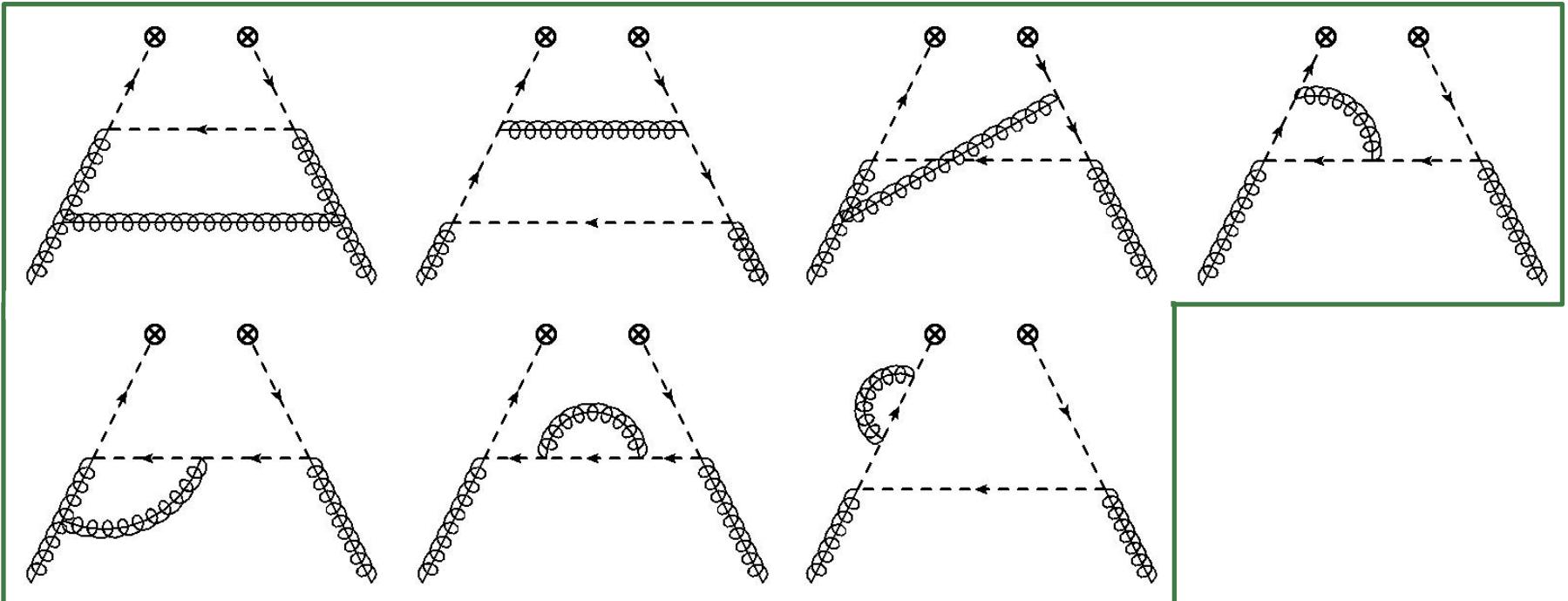
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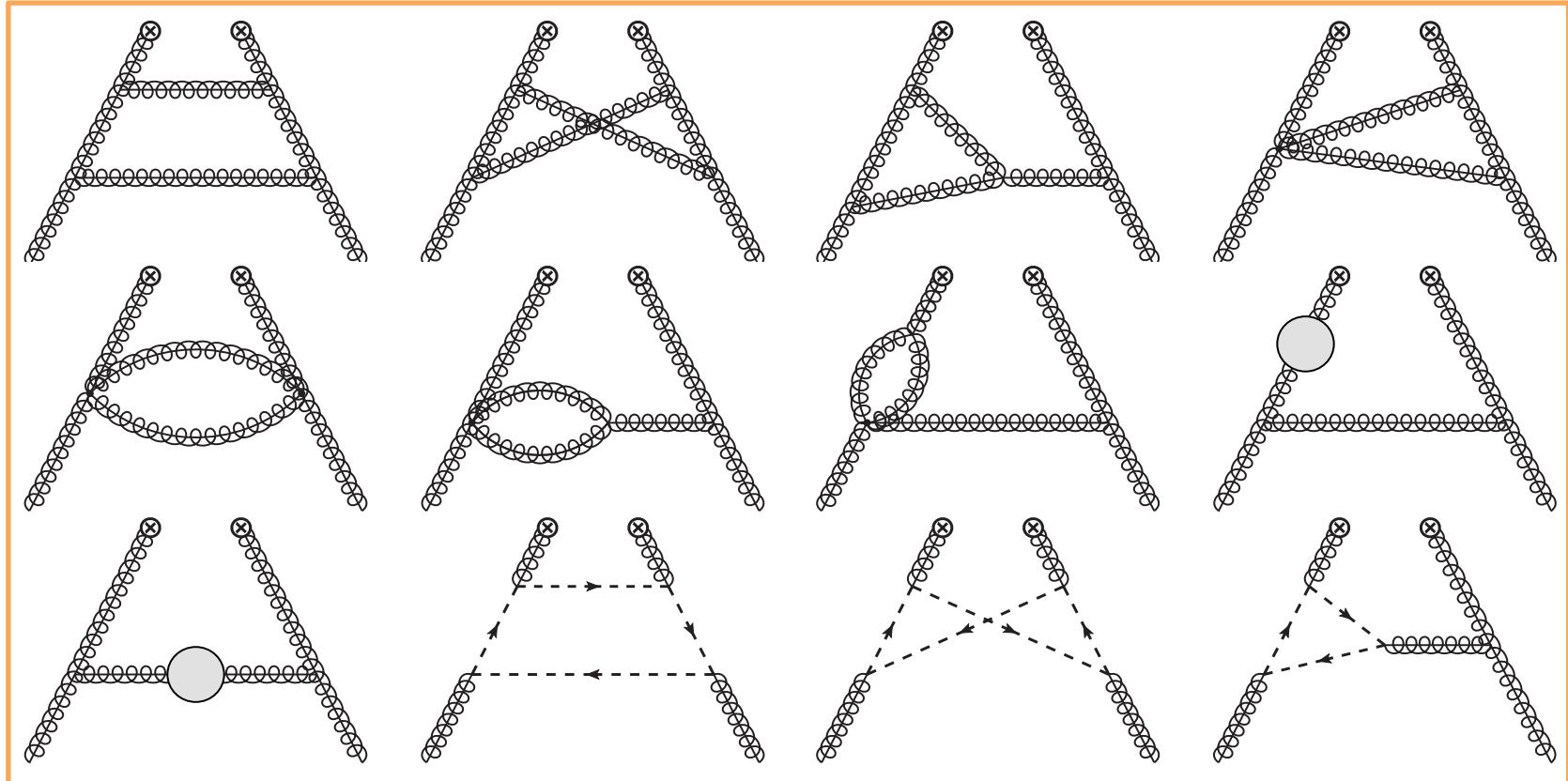
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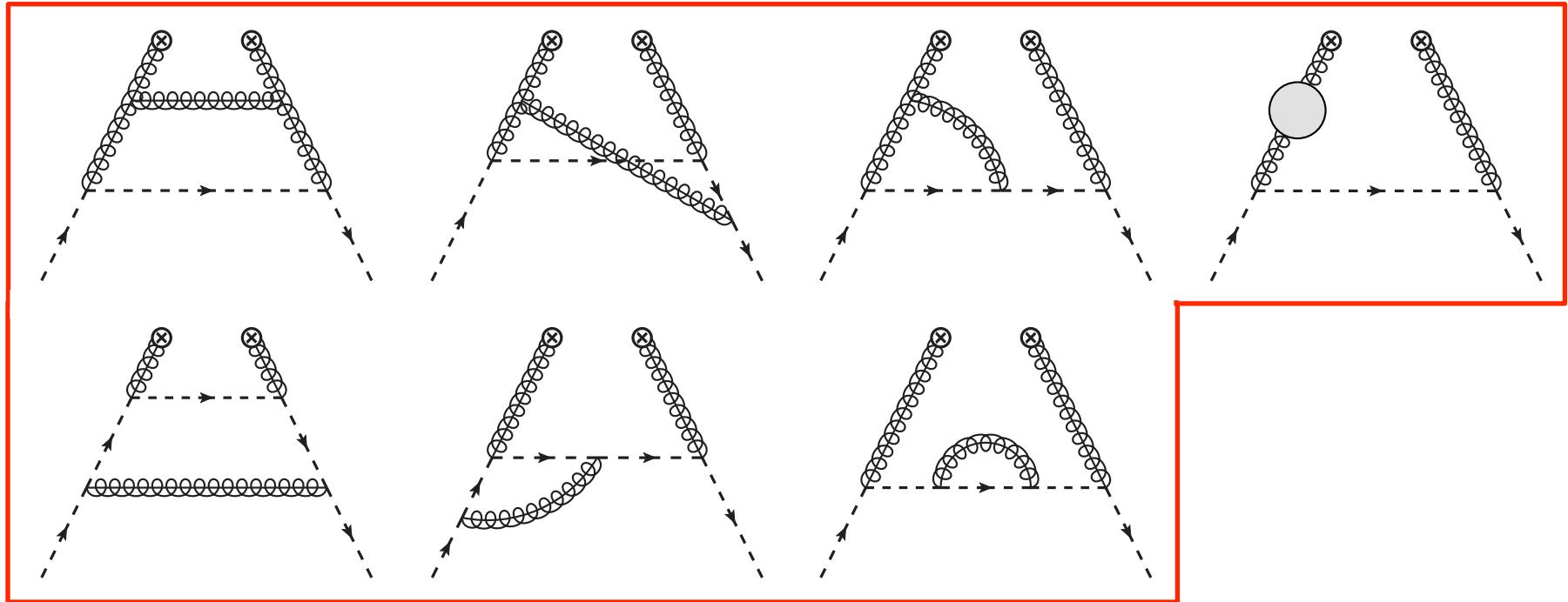
+Wilson line diagrams and ghost loops  
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gq-diagrams (axial gauge):

[Gaunt, MS, Tackmann, '14]



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# NNLO Ingredients

2-loop

$$\mathcal{L}_n(x) \equiv \left[ \frac{\ln^n(x)}{x} \right]_+$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{I}_{ij}^{(2)}(t, z, \mu) = & \frac{1}{\mu^2} \mathcal{L}_3\left(\frac{t}{\mu^2}\right) \frac{(\Gamma_0^i)^2}{2} \delta_{ij} \delta(1-z) \\
& + \frac{1}{\mu^2} \mathcal{L}_2\left(\frac{t}{\mu^2}\right) \Gamma_0^i \left[ -\left(\frac{3}{4} \gamma_{B0}^i + \frac{\beta_0}{2}\right) \delta_{ij} \delta(1-z) + 3 P_{ij}^{(0)}(z) \right] \\
& + \frac{1}{\mu^2} \mathcal{L}_1\left(\frac{t}{\mu^2}\right) \left\{ \left[ \Gamma_1^i - (\Gamma_0^i)^2 \frac{\pi^2}{6} + \frac{(\gamma_{B0}^i)^2}{4} + \frac{\beta_0}{2} \gamma_{B0}^i \right] \delta_{ij} \delta(1-z) \right. \\
& \quad \left. + 2 \Gamma_0^i I_{ij}^{(1)}(z) - 2(\gamma_{B0}^i + \beta_0) P_{ij}^{(0)}(z) + 4 \sum_k P_{ik}^{(0)}(z) \otimes_z P_{kj}^{(0)}(z) \right\} \\
& + \frac{1}{\mu^2} \mathcal{L}_0\left(\frac{t}{\mu^2}\right) \left\{ \left[ (\Gamma_0^i)^2 \zeta_3 + \Gamma_0^i \gamma_{B0}^i \frac{\pi^2}{12} - \frac{\gamma_{B1}^i}{2} \right] \delta_{ij} \delta(1-z) - \Gamma_0^i \frac{\pi^2}{3} P_{ij}^{(0)}(z) \right. \\
& \quad \left. - (\gamma_{B0}^i + 2\beta_0) I_{ij}^{(1)}(z) + 4 \sum_k I_{ik}^{(1)}(z) \otimes_z P_{kj}^{(0)}(z) + 4 P_{ij}^{(1)}(z) \right\} \\
& + \boxed{\delta(t) 4 I_{ij}^{(2)}(z)} \quad \text{New!}
\end{aligned}$$

splitting function

[Gaunt, MS, Tackmann, '14]

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With these ingredients we can compute

$$\sigma_{\text{NNLO}}^{\text{sing}}(X) = \int_0^{\mathcal{T}_N^{\text{cut}}} d\mathcal{T}_N \frac{d\sigma_{\text{NNLO}}(X)}{d\mathcal{T}_N} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\mathcal{T}_N^{\text{cut}}}{Q}\right)$$

...for a given 2-loop hard function

Kang, Labun, Lee, '15]

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# Applications/Results

## N-jettiness slicing recipe

[Boughezal, Focke, Liu, Petriello, '15]  
[Gaunt, MS, Tackmann, Walsh, '15]

- ① Compute **NLO N+1 jet cross section** with partonic event generator:

$$\int_{\mathcal{T}_N^{\text{cut}}} d\mathcal{T}_N \frac{d\sigma_{\text{NNLO}}(X)}{d\mathcal{T}_N} = \int_{N+1} d\sigma_{\text{NLO}}(X) \theta(\mathcal{T}_N > \mathcal{T}_N^{\text{cut}}) \quad (1)$$

- for each event determine N jet directions  $\hat{q}_i$  by mapping parton- onto N jet-momenta
- differences in the mapping procedure (jet algorithm)  $\sim \mathcal{T}_N^{\text{cut}}/Q$  [Jouttenus, Stewart, Tackmann, Waalewijn, '11]
- compute  $\mathcal{T}_N$  for each event and select events with  $\mathcal{T}_N > \mathcal{T}_N^{\text{cut}}$

- ② Compute **singular cross section** using SCET factorization formula

(input: 2-loop virtuals)

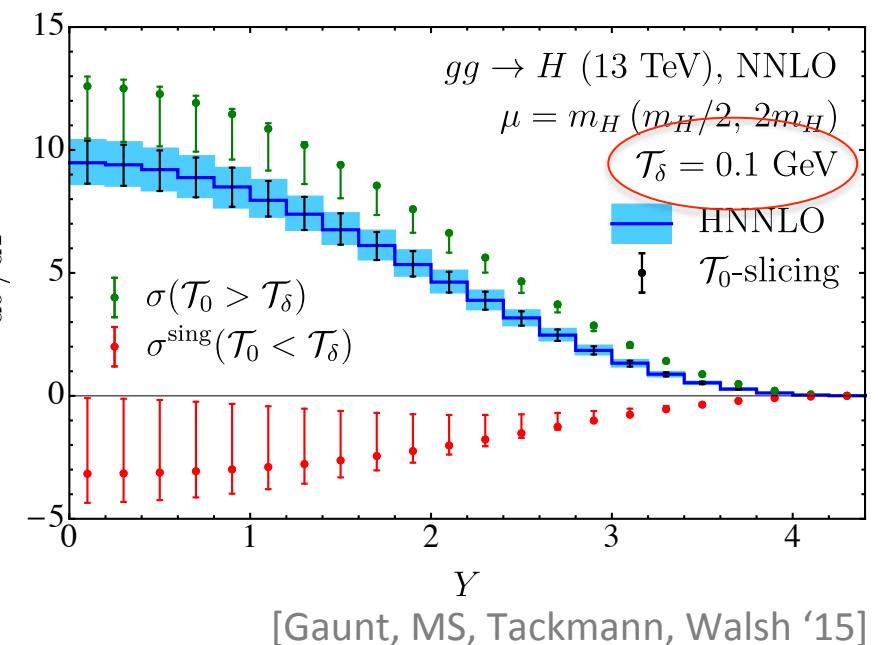
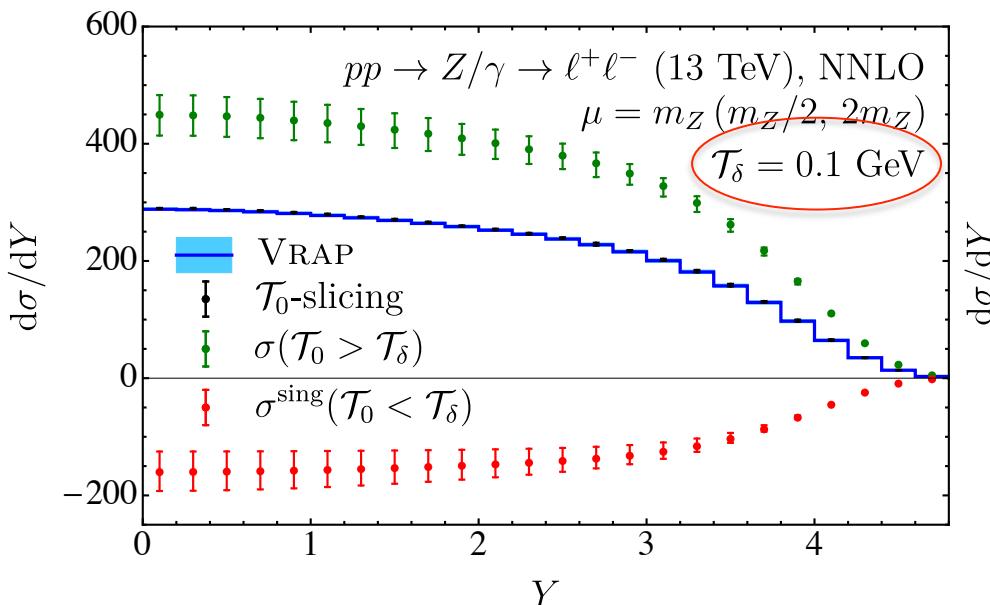
$$\sigma_{\text{NNLO}}^{\text{sing}}(X) = \int_0^{\mathcal{T}_N^{\text{cut}}} d\mathcal{T}_N \frac{d\sigma_{\text{NNLO}}(X)}{d\mathcal{T}_N} \quad (2)$$

- ③ Add (1) + (2) and check  $\mathcal{T}_N^{\text{cut}}$  independence!

# Applications/Results

NNLO Z and H rapidity distributions @LHC (as proof of principle):

- used  $\mathcal{T}_0$  (“beam thrust”) - slicing
- NLO Z/H+j computed with **MCFM** [Campbell, Ellis, ‘02, ‘10]



Good agreement with existing codes VRAP and HNNLO (per-mill level!)

[Anastasiou, Dixon, Melnikov, Petriello ‘03, ‘04]

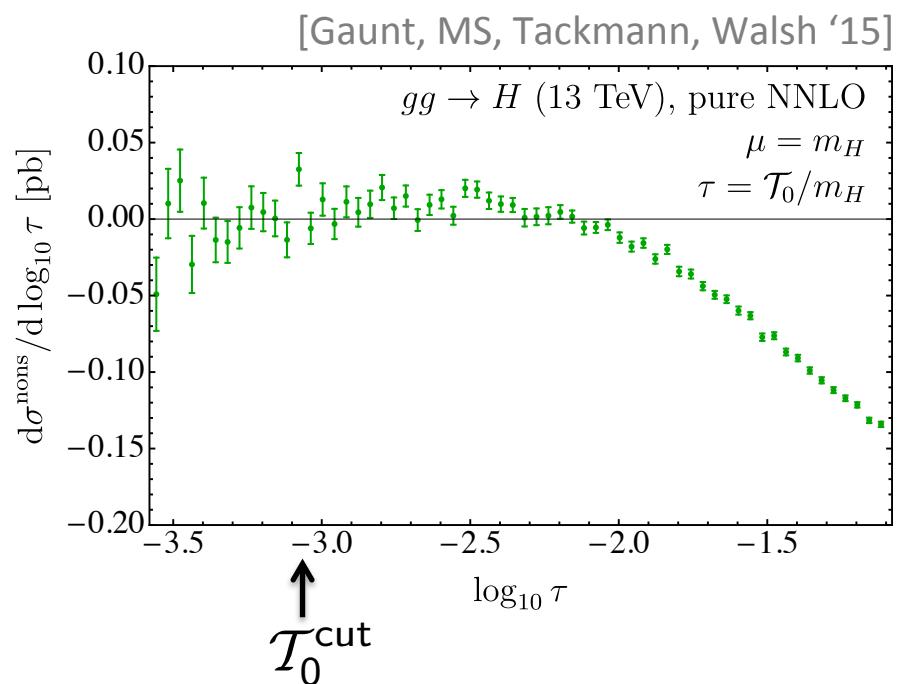
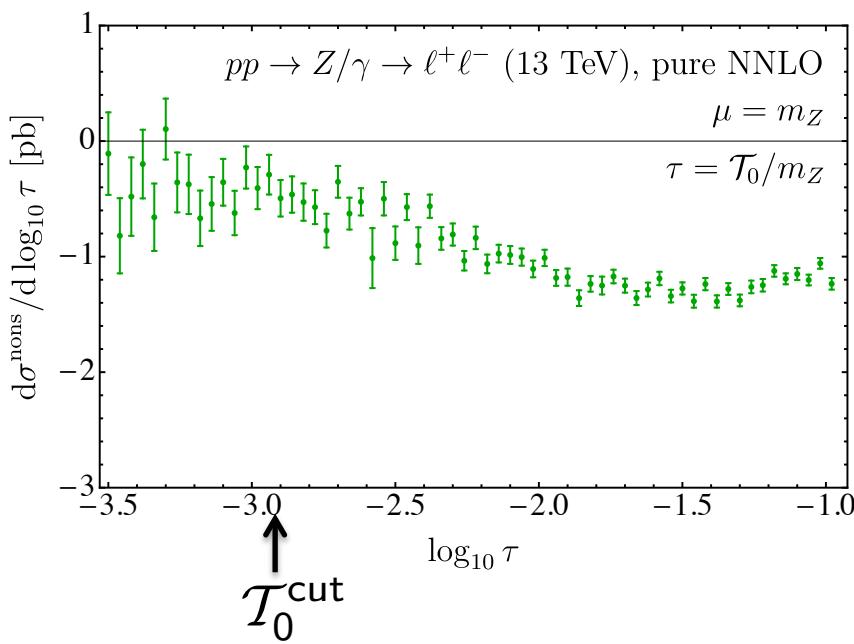
[Catani, Grazzini, ‘07, Grazzini ‘08]

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$$\frac{d\sigma^{\text{nons}}}{d \ln \tau} := \frac{d\sigma_{\text{NNLO}}}{d \ln \tau} - \frac{d\sigma^{\text{sing}}}{d \ln \tau} \sim \alpha_s^2 \tau \ln^3 \tau + \dots, \quad \tau = T_N/Q$$

Check  $T_0^{\text{cut}}$  independence:

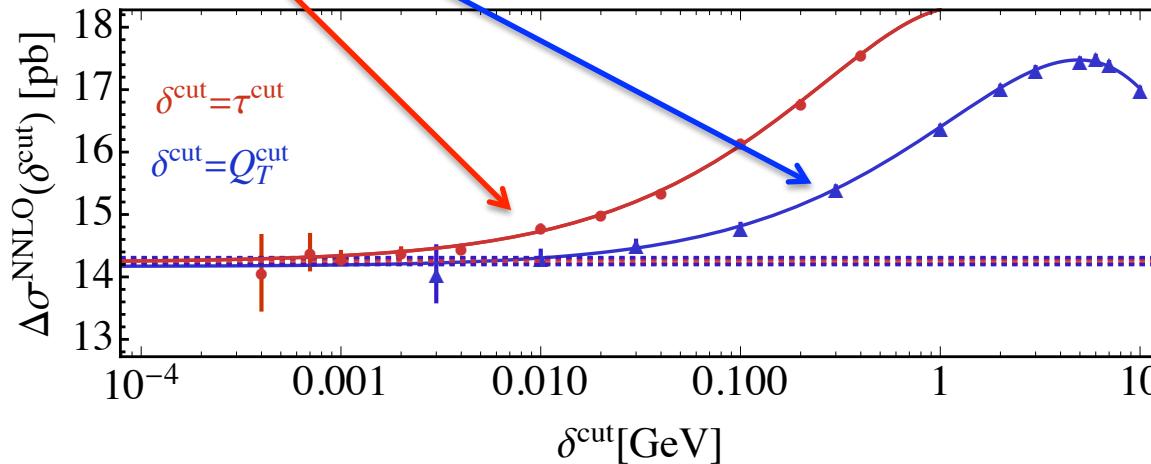


Observe convergence of nonsingular terms toward zero ✓

# Applications/Results

Compare 0-jettiness to  $q_T$  slicing in  $pp \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ :

[Campbell, Ellis, Li, Williams, '16]



$$\Delta\sigma^{N^n LO}(\tau > \tau^{\text{cut}})/\sigma^{LO} \sim \frac{1}{n!} \left( \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{\pi} \right)^n \log^{2n} \frac{\tau^{\text{cut}}}{Q} + \dots$$

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For  $\frac{\tau^{\text{cut}}}{Q} \simeq \left( \frac{Q_T^{\text{cut}}}{Q} \right)^{\sqrt{2}}$   
 log cancellations similarly large  
 → similar computational effort!

NNLO 0-jet processes computed with N-jettiness slicing, **automated** in **MCFM**:  
 $pp \rightarrow H$ ,  $pp \rightarrow Z$ ,  $pp \rightarrow W$ ,  $pp \rightarrow Hz$ ,  $pp \rightarrow Hw$ ,  $pp \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  (+decays)

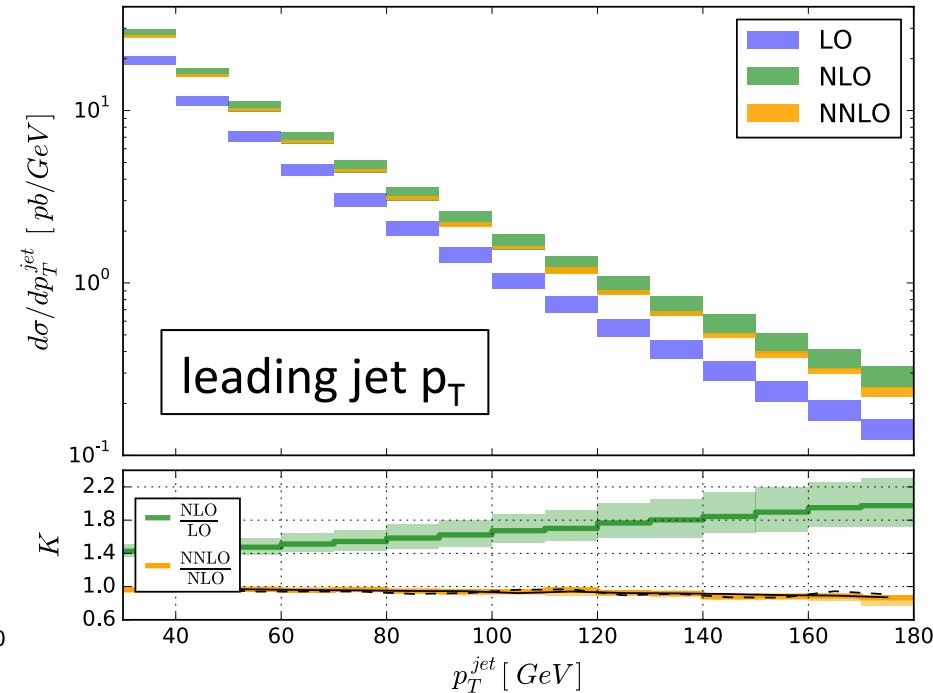
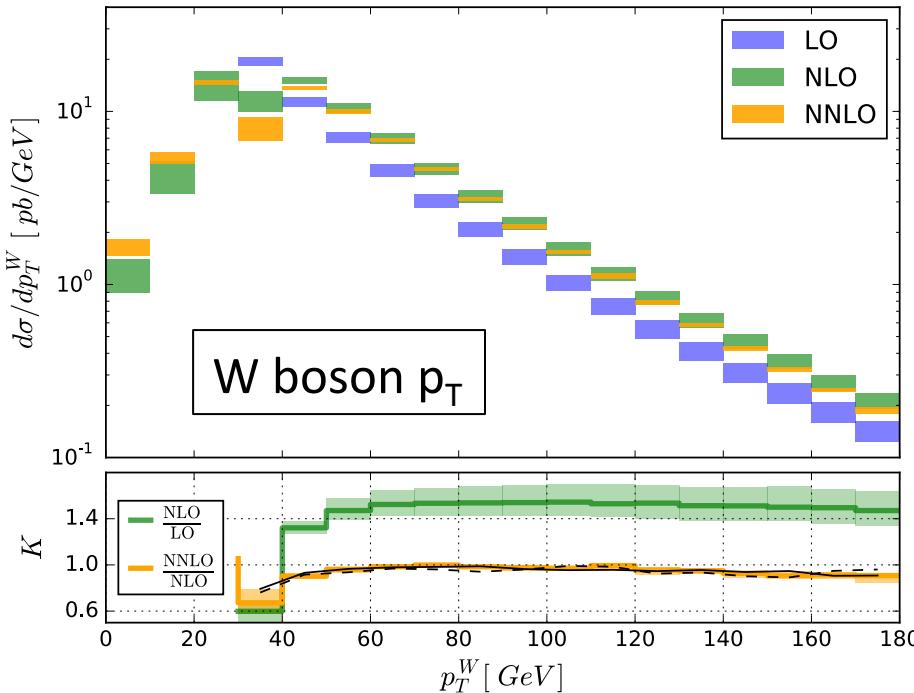
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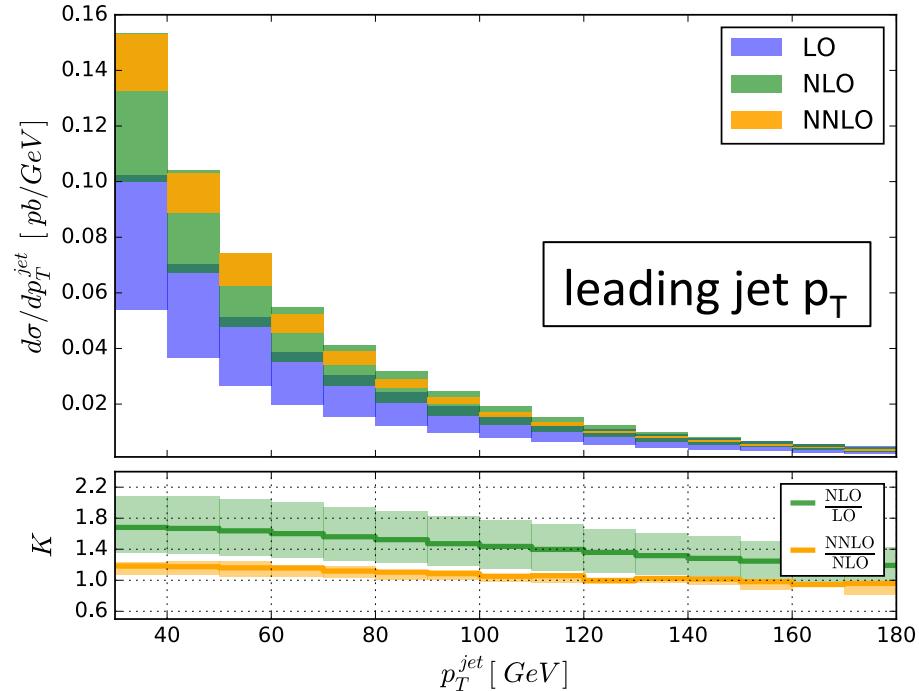
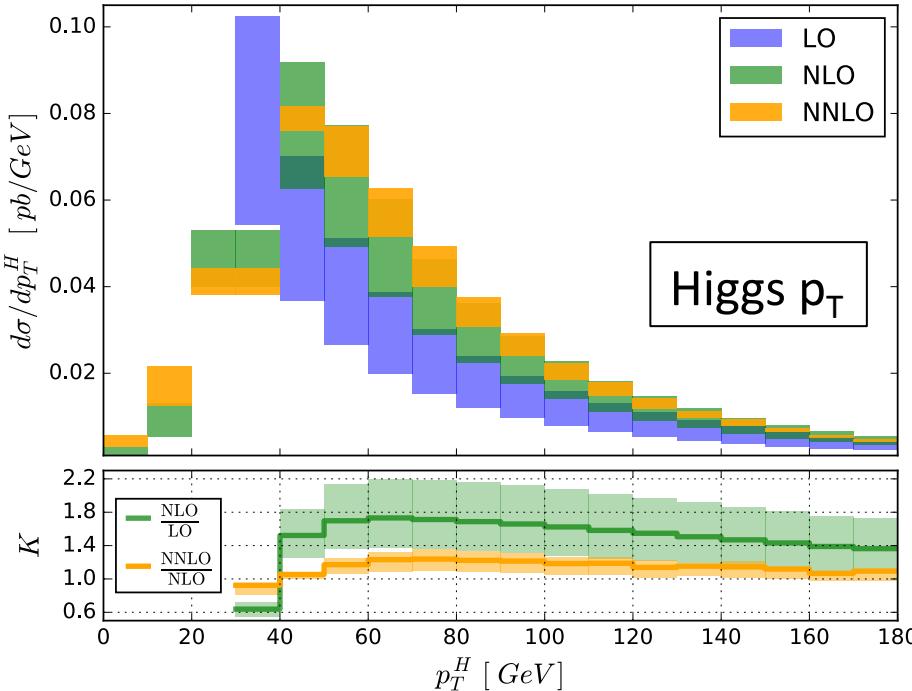
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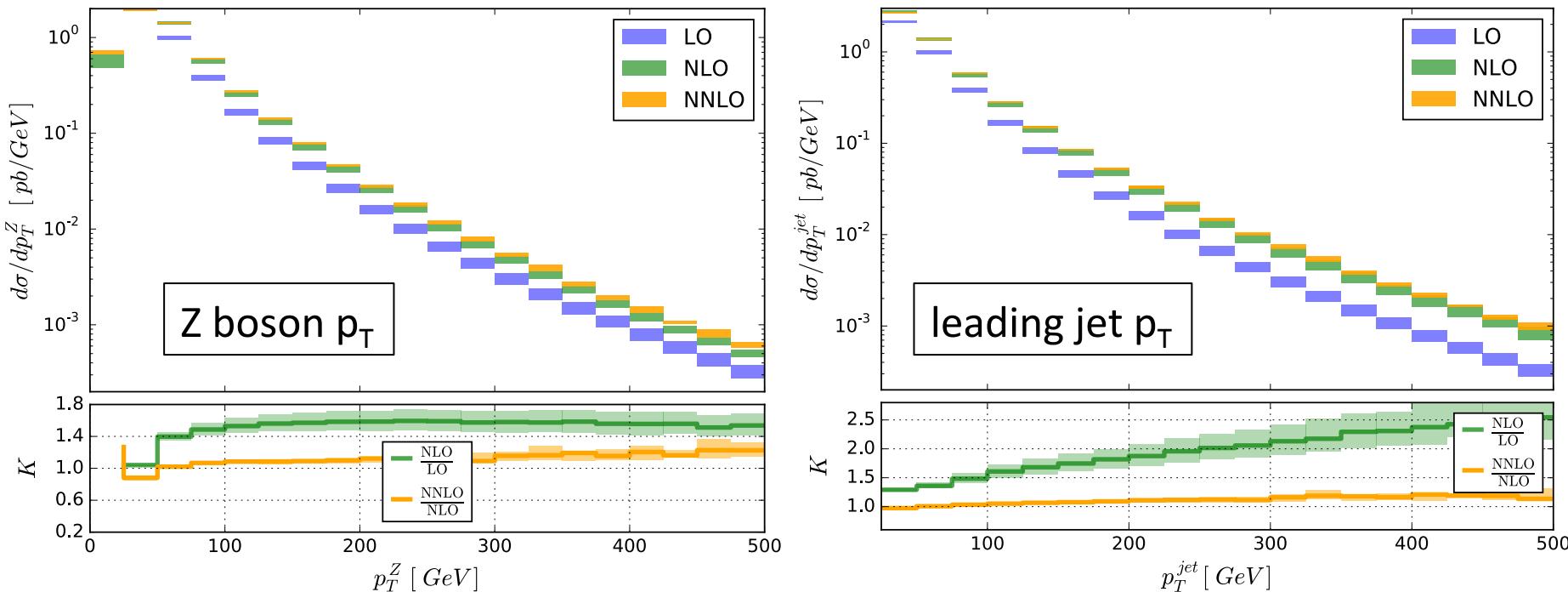
Agreement with results from sector-improved subtractions at per-mill level!

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# Possible Extensions

- Single-differential N-jettiness subtraction:

$$\sigma(X) = \int_0^{\mathcal{T}_{\text{off}}} d\mathcal{T}_N \frac{d\sigma^{\text{sing}}(X)}{d\mathcal{T}_N} + \int_{\mathcal{T}_\delta} d\mathcal{T}_N \left[ \frac{d\sigma(X)}{d\mathcal{T}_N} - \frac{d\sigma^{\text{sing}}(X)}{d\mathcal{T}_N} \theta(\mathcal{T}_N < \mathcal{T}_{\text{off}}) \right] + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\mathcal{T}_\delta}{Q}\right)$$

- point-by-point subtraction in  $\mathcal{T}_N$
- expect better numerical convergence  $\rightarrow \mathcal{T}_\delta \ll \mathcal{T}_N^{\text{cut}}$  feasible (?)
- requires PS map to disentangle  $\mathcal{T}_N$  from rest of PS integration

- Multi-differential N-jettiness subtractions:

- differential in  $\mathcal{T}_N^i$  variable ( $\sim$  invariant mass of each jet/beam sector)
- differential in both,  $\mathcal{T}_N$  and  $q_T$  [Jain, Procura, Waalewijn, '12] [Gaunt, MS '14]
- ... [Procura, Waalewijn, Zeune '15]

# Possible Extensions

- Include sub-leading power corrections:

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- Could improve accuracy/performance of slicing method

Systematically  
calculable  
in SCET

- Include quark masses:

- if  $m_q \sim Q$ , treat heavy partons similar to color-neutral final states, but  
→ more complicated soft function [Li, Wang '16]
  - if  $m_q \ll Q$ , use “massive SCET” [Pietrulewicz, Gritschacher, Hoang, Jemos, Mateu, '14]  
requires modified definition of  $\mathcal{T}_N$ !

# Summary

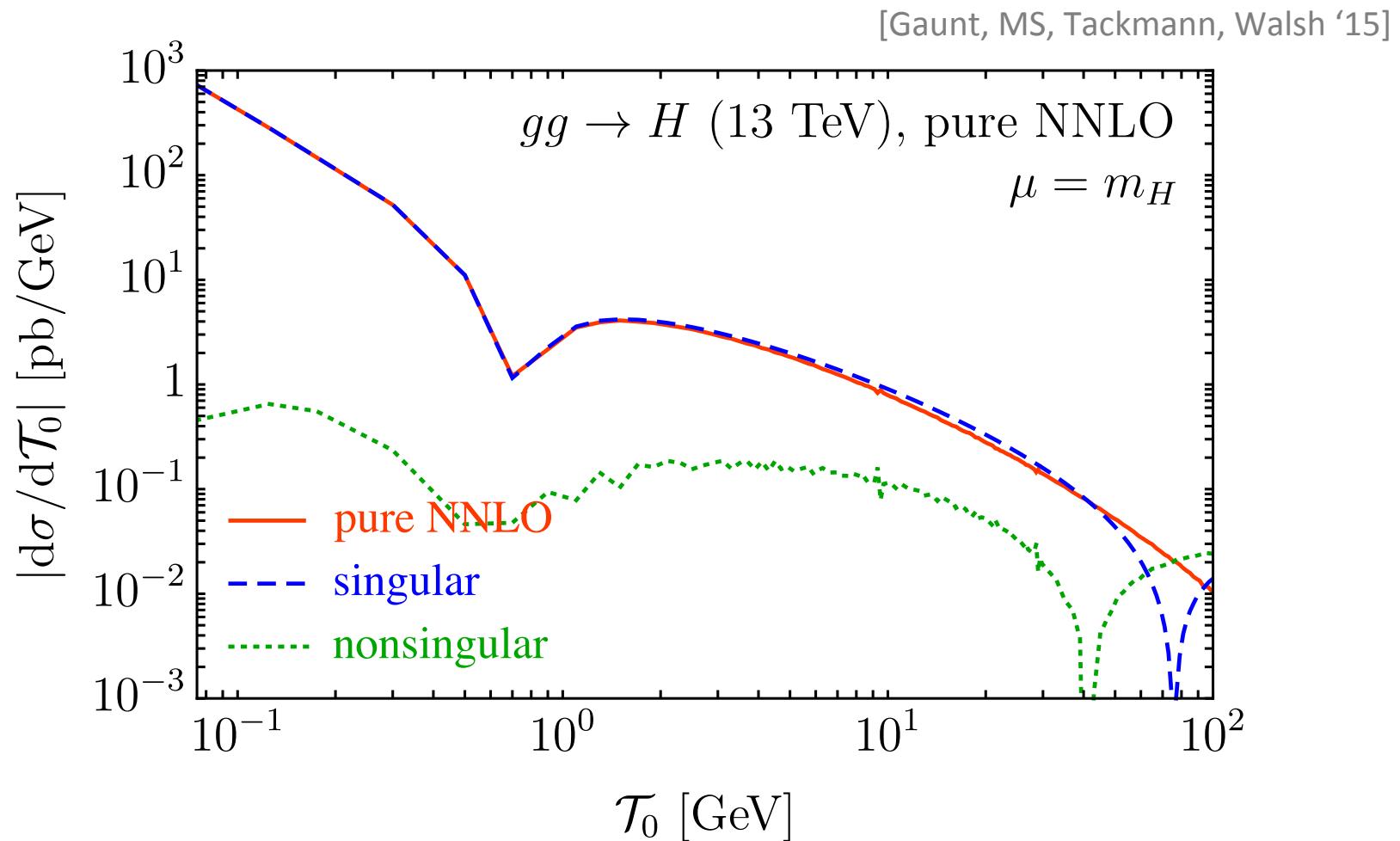
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## New NNLO subtraction method: N-jettiness slicing

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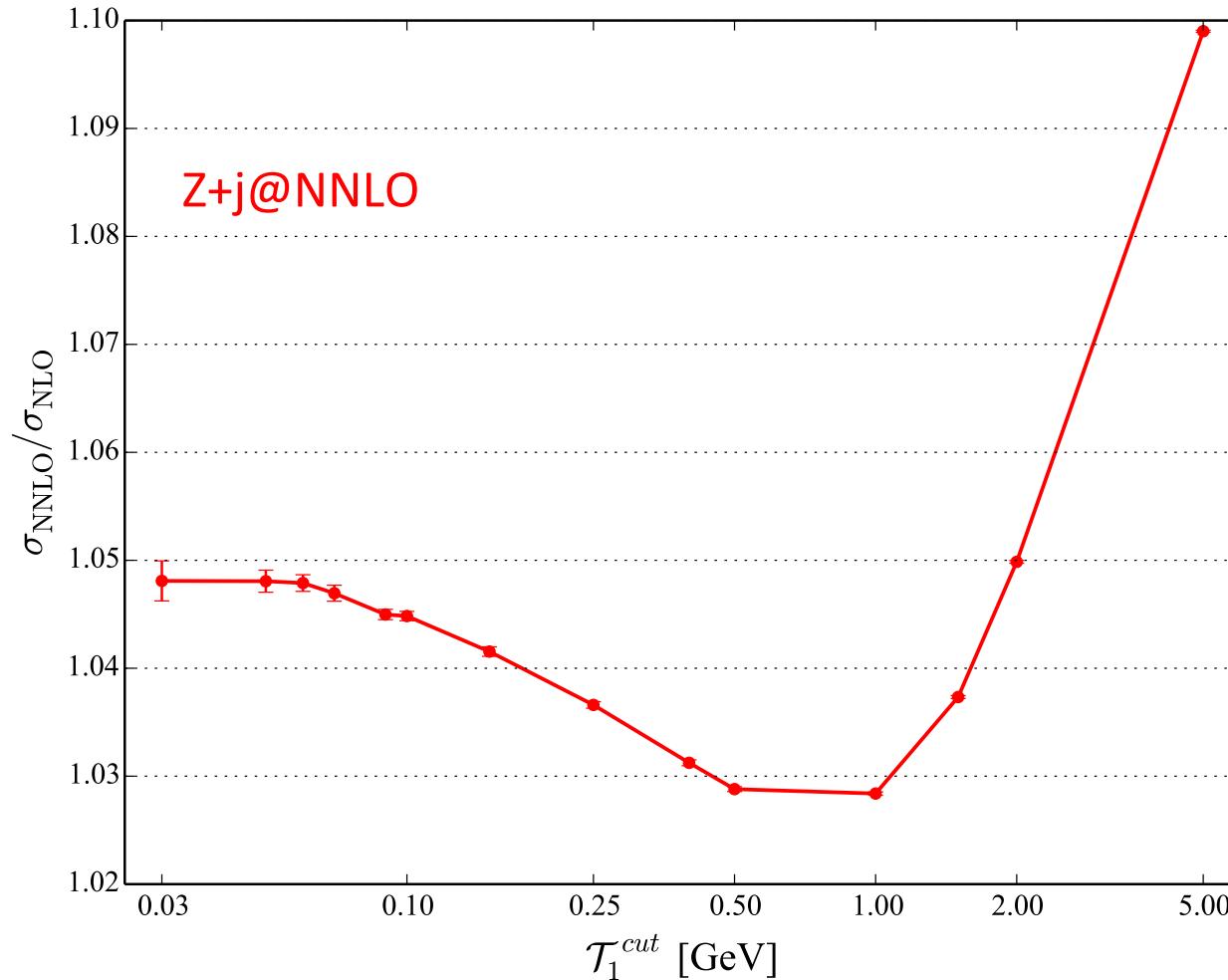
- $\sigma(\mathcal{T}_N > \mathcal{T}_{\text{cut}})$  from NLO tools ✓
- $\sigma^{\text{sing}}(\mathcal{T}_N < \mathcal{T}_{\text{cut}})$  from SCET, all universal ingredients known ✓
- Impressive NNLO results:  $pp \rightarrow W/Z/H + j$
- Possible extensions:  
more-differential subtraction, quark masses, power corrections ...

# Back-Up



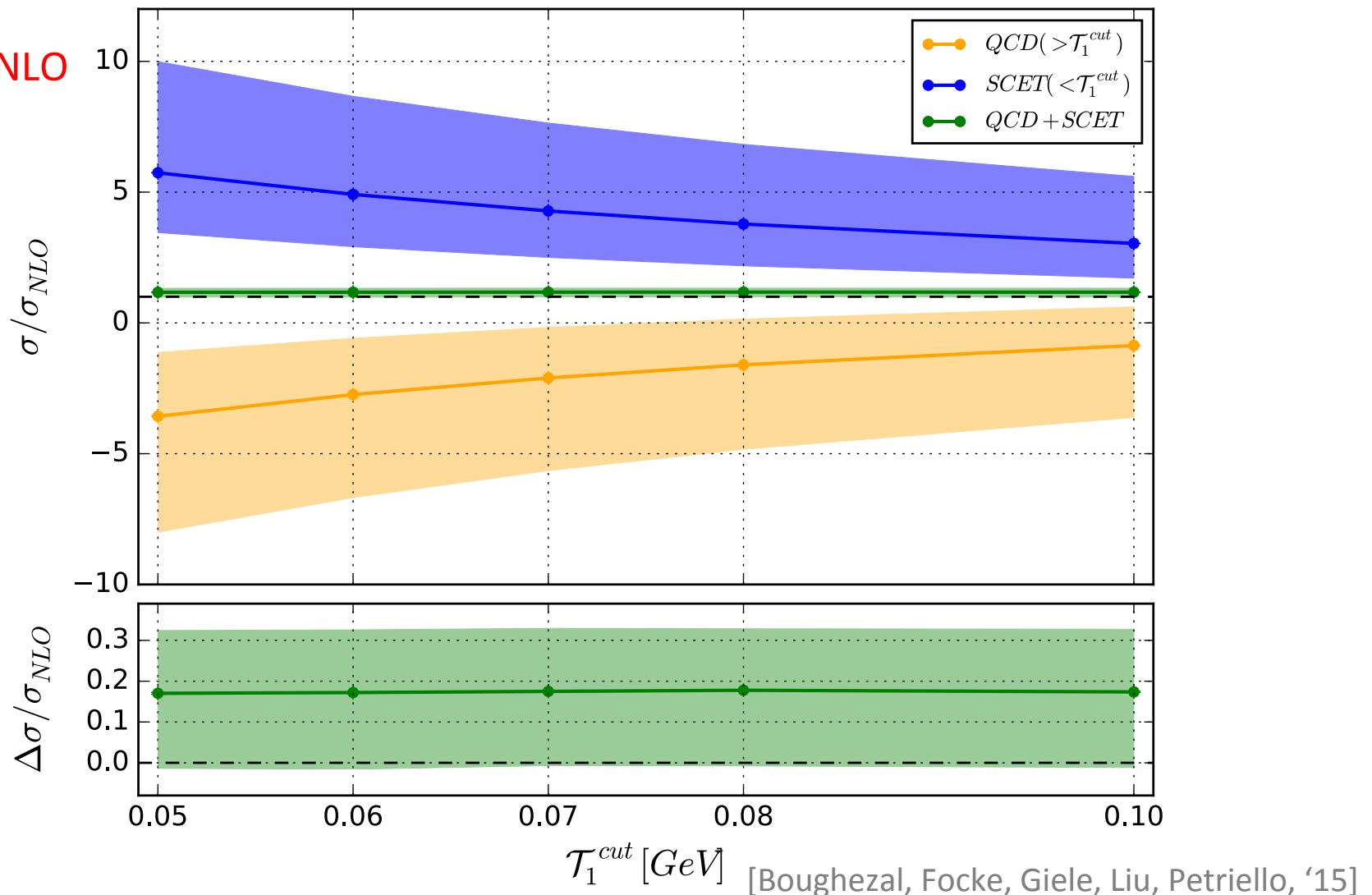
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[Boughezal, Campbell, Ellis, Focke, Giele, Liu, Petriello, '15]



# Back-Up

H+j@NNLO



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$$T_N = \sum_{k=1}^M (E_k - |\vec{p}_k|) + \min \left\{ \min_{j \in 1..M} \{ |\vec{p}_j| - |p_j^z| \}, \min_{jk \in 1..M} \{ |\vec{p}_j| + |\vec{p}_k| - |\vec{p}_j + \vec{p}_k| \} \right\}. \quad (3.15)$$

The first term in the overall minimization corresponds to the first case above (extra emission clustered to the beam), whilst the second term corresponds to the second case (extra emission clustered to a jet).

When  $M = N + 2$  there are two extra emissions. Now,  $N - 2$  axes will always be aligned with  $N - 2$  of the  $p_k$  momenta, and there are four possible cases how the remaining two axes can be chosen based on the remaining four  $p_k$ . The appropriate expression for  $T_N$  for  $M = N + 2$  is

$$\begin{aligned} T_N = \sum_{j=1}^M (E_j - |\vec{p}_j|) + \min & \left\{ \min_{jk \in 1..M} \{ |\vec{p}_j| + |\vec{p}_k| - |p_j^z| - |p_k^z| \}, \right. \\ & \min_{jkl \in 1..M} \{ |\vec{p}_j| + |\vec{p}_k| + |\vec{p}_l| - |\vec{p}_j + \vec{p}_k| - |\vec{p}_l| \}, \\ & \min_{jkl \in 1..M} \{ |\vec{p}_j| + |\vec{p}_k| + |\vec{p}_l| - |\vec{p}_j + \vec{p}_k + \vec{p}_l| \}, \\ & \left. \min_{jklm \in 1..M} \{ |\vec{p}_j| + |\vec{p}_k| + |\vec{p}_l| + |\vec{p}_m| - |\vec{p}_j + \vec{p}_k| - |\vec{p}_l + \vec{p}_m| \} \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.16)$$

The first term in the overall minimization corresponds to both extra particles being clustered to a beam direction. The second term corresponds to one particle being clustered to a beam, and two particles being clustered together in a jet. The third term corresponds to clustering three particles together in a jet, and the final term corresponds to clustering two sets of two particles into two separate jets. In all cases the remaining jet directions are set by the remaining unclustered  $p_k$  momenta.

[Gaunt, MS, Tackmann, Walsh '15]

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