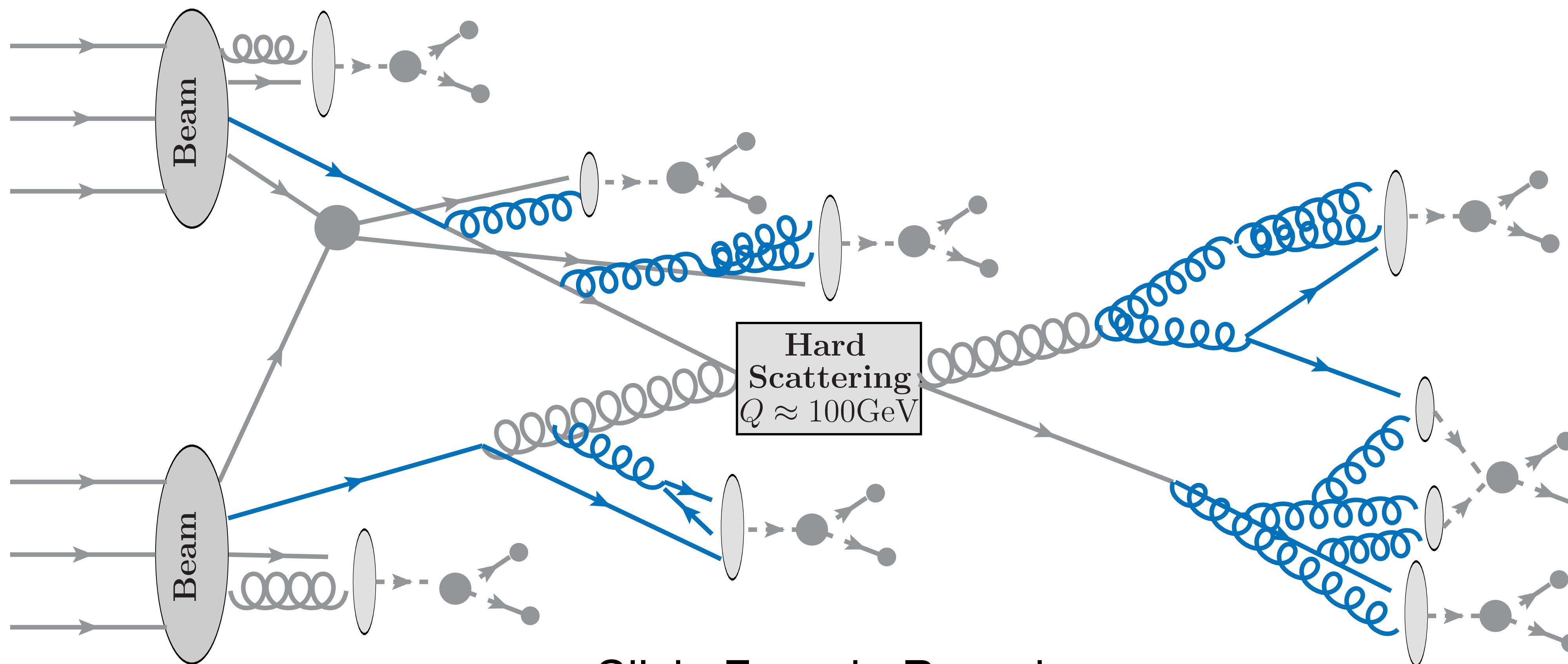


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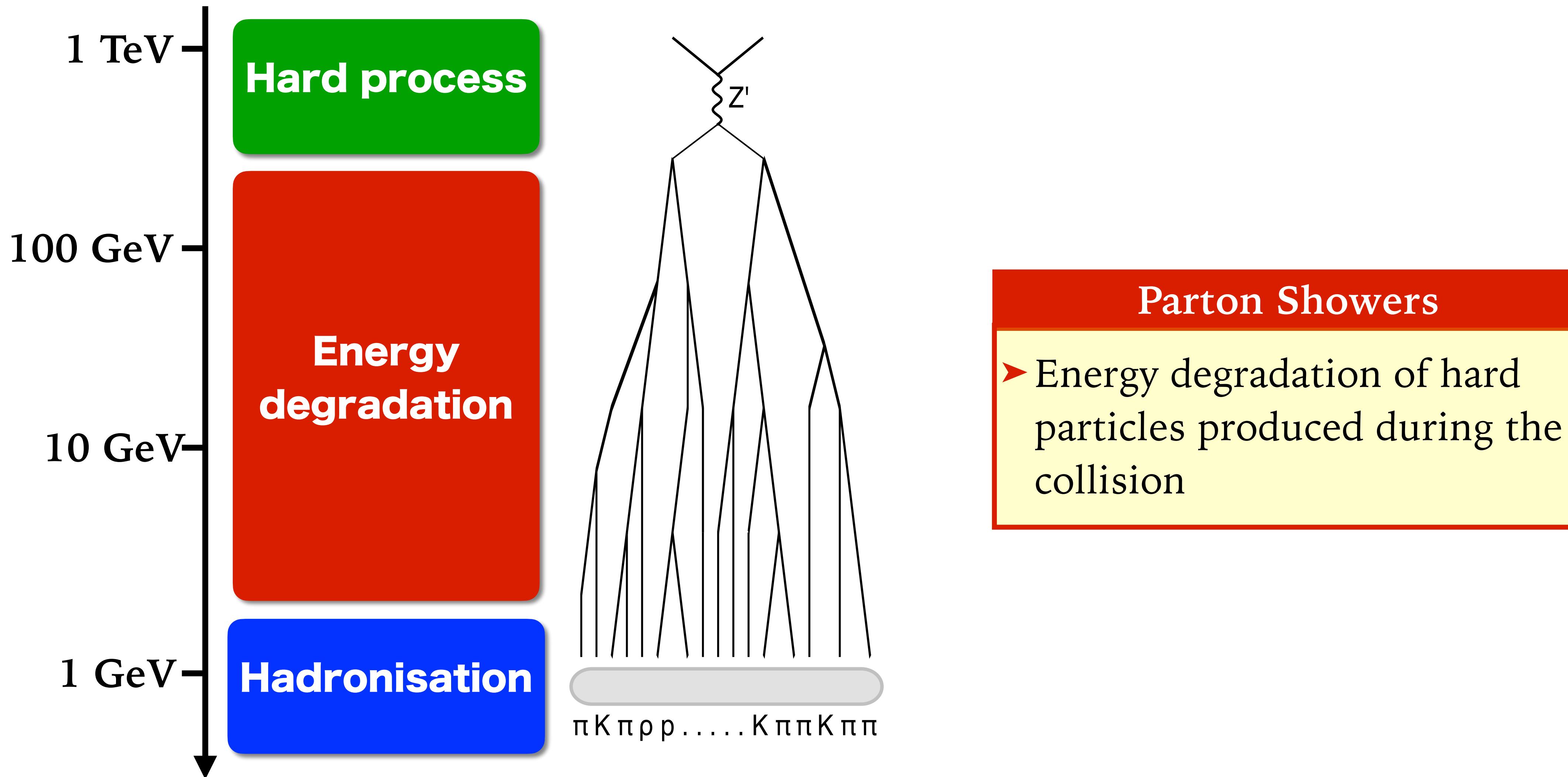
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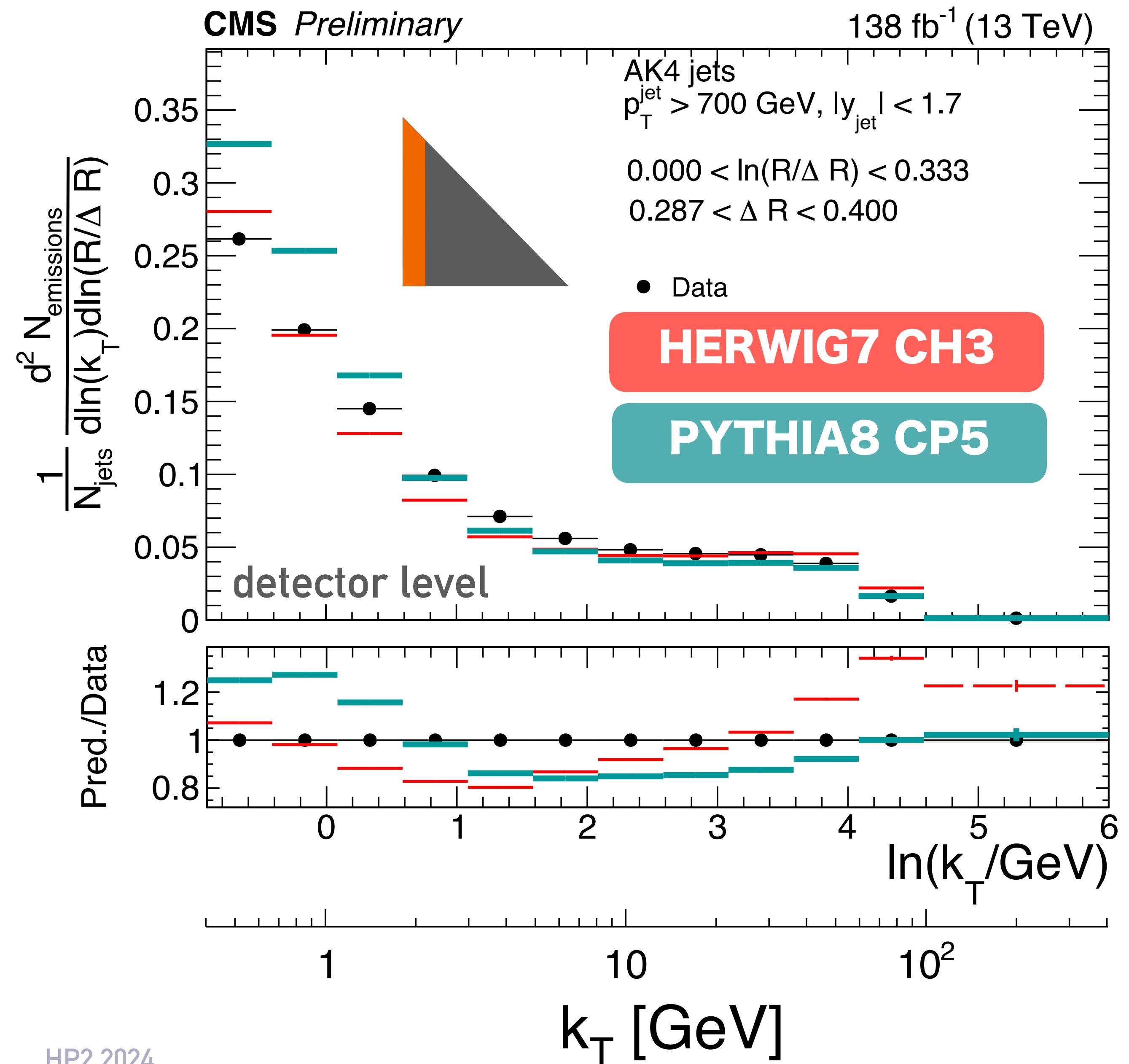
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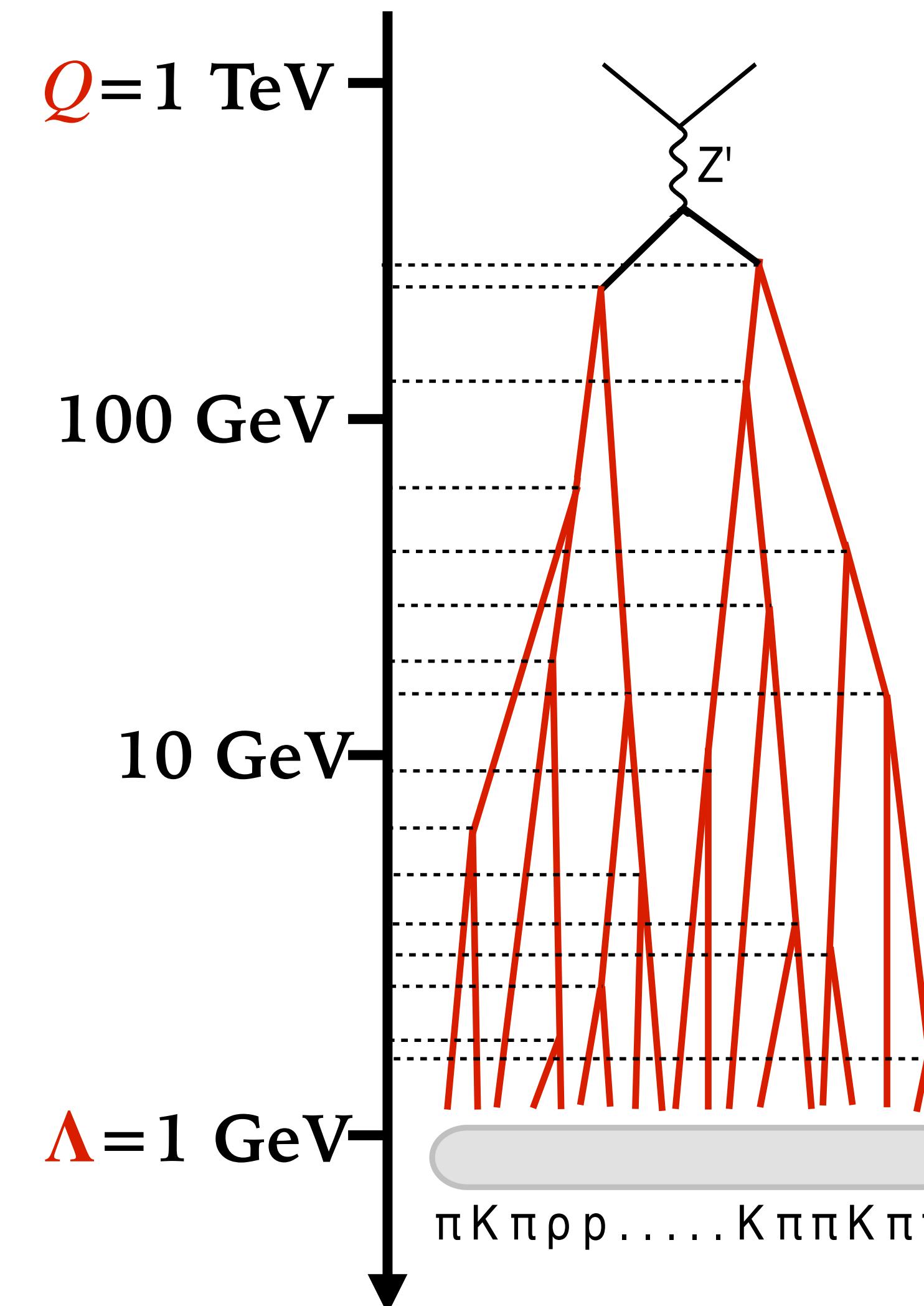
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Lund Plane



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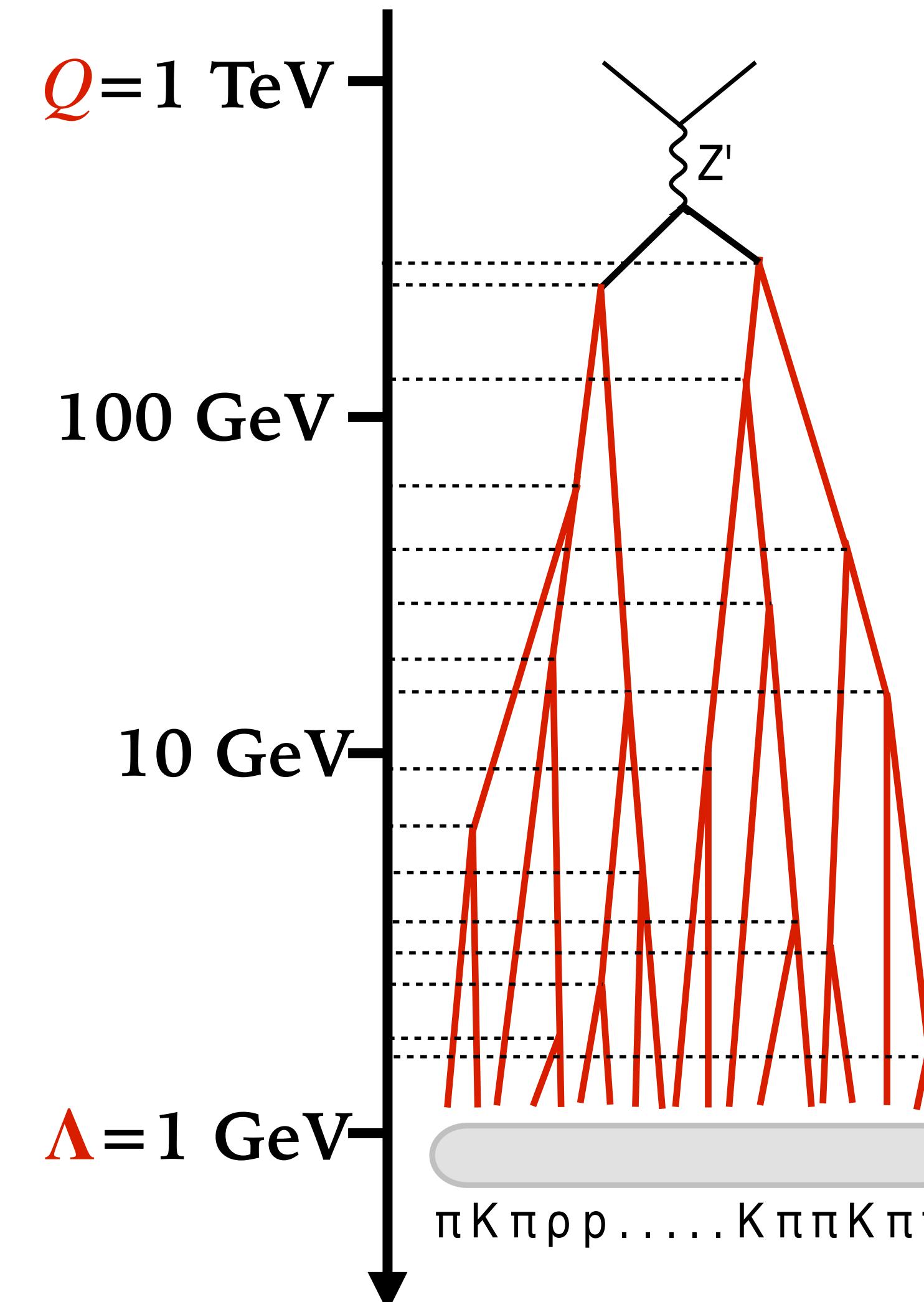
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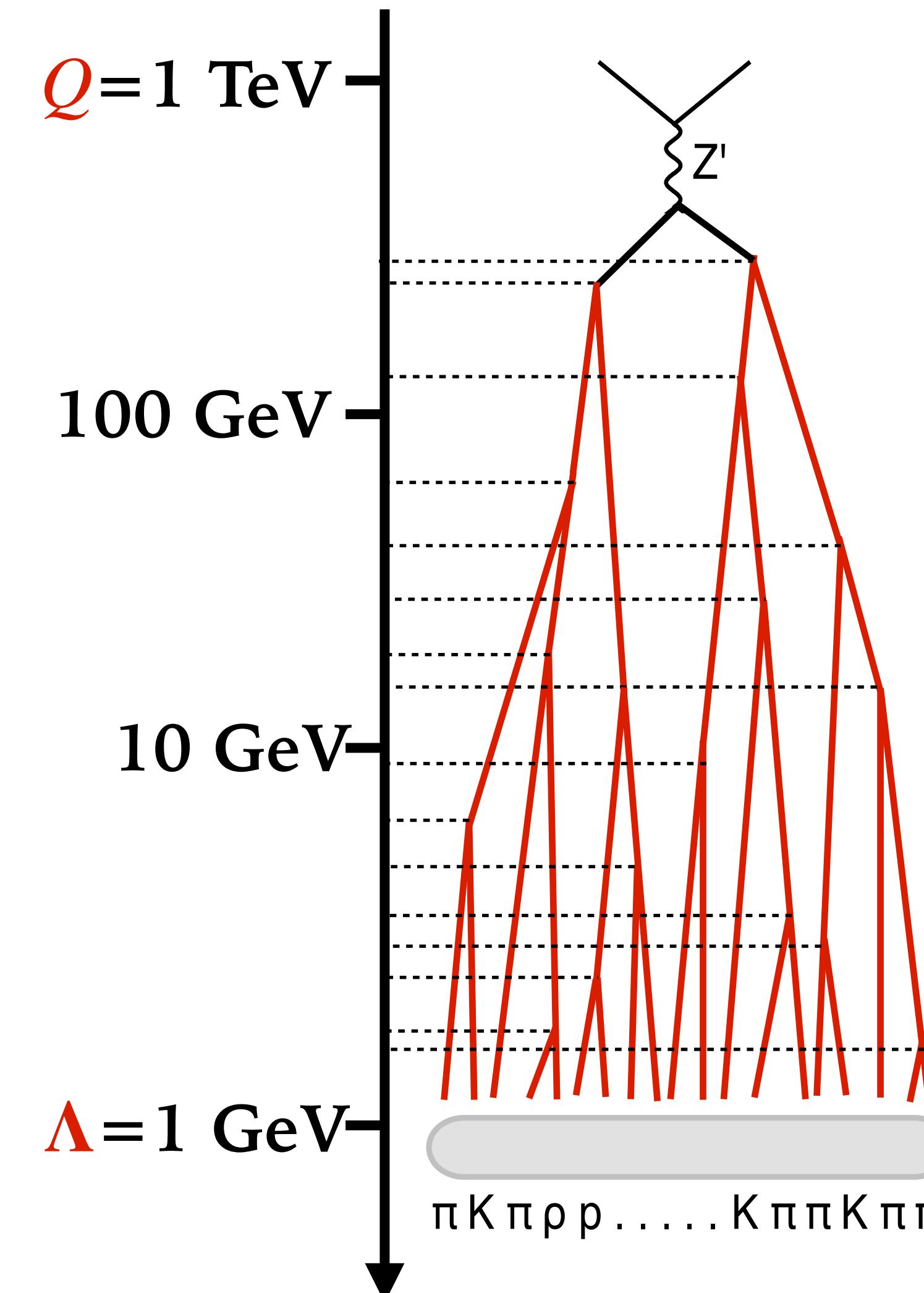
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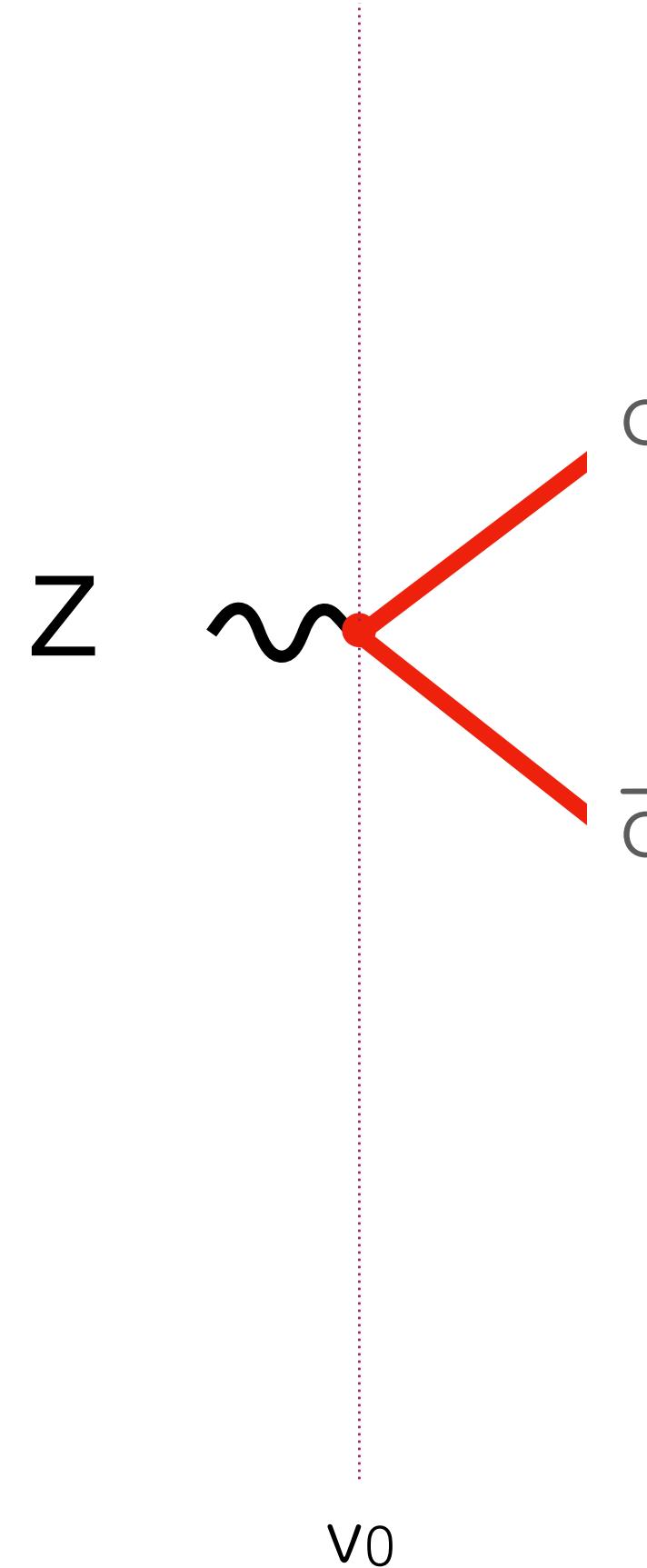
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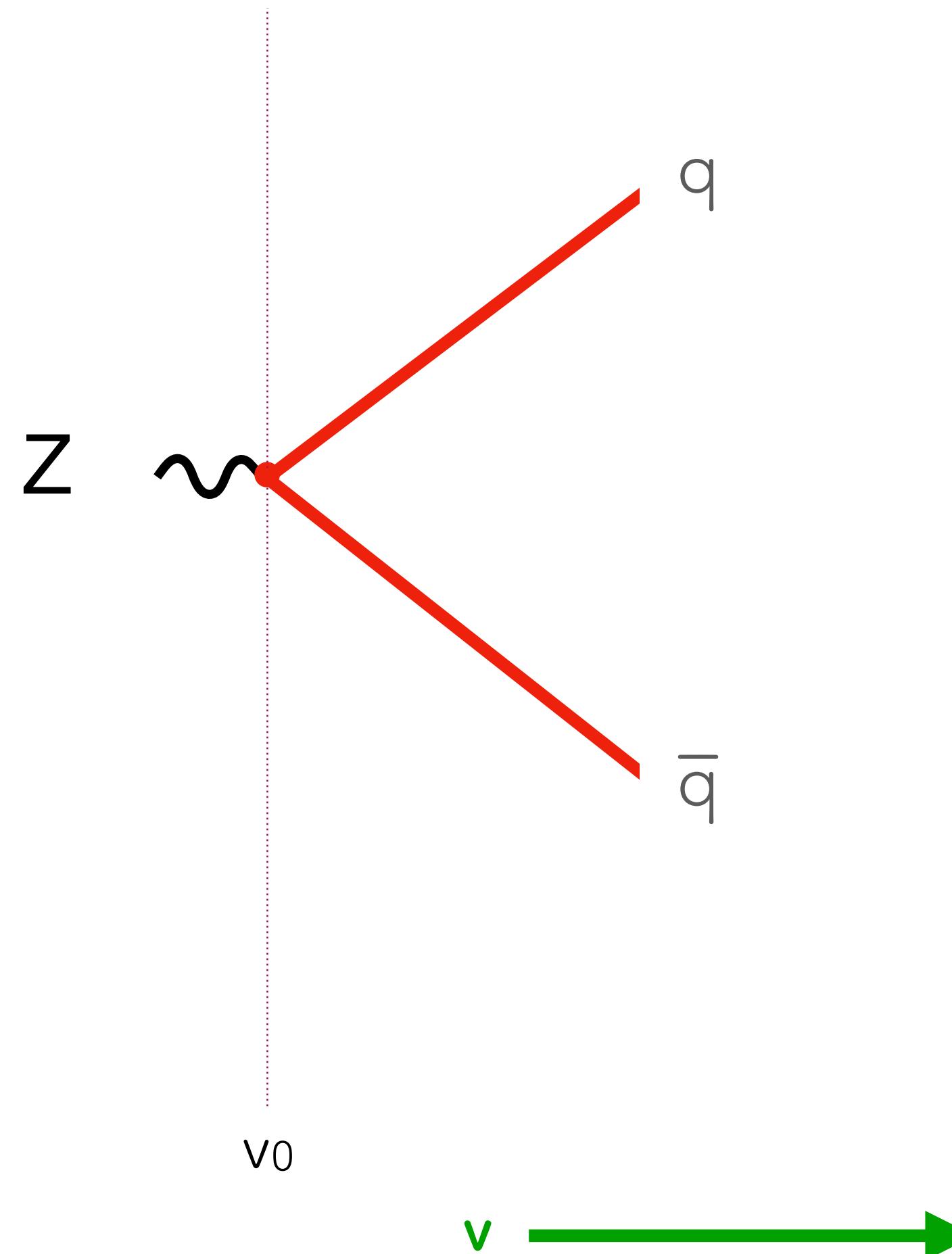
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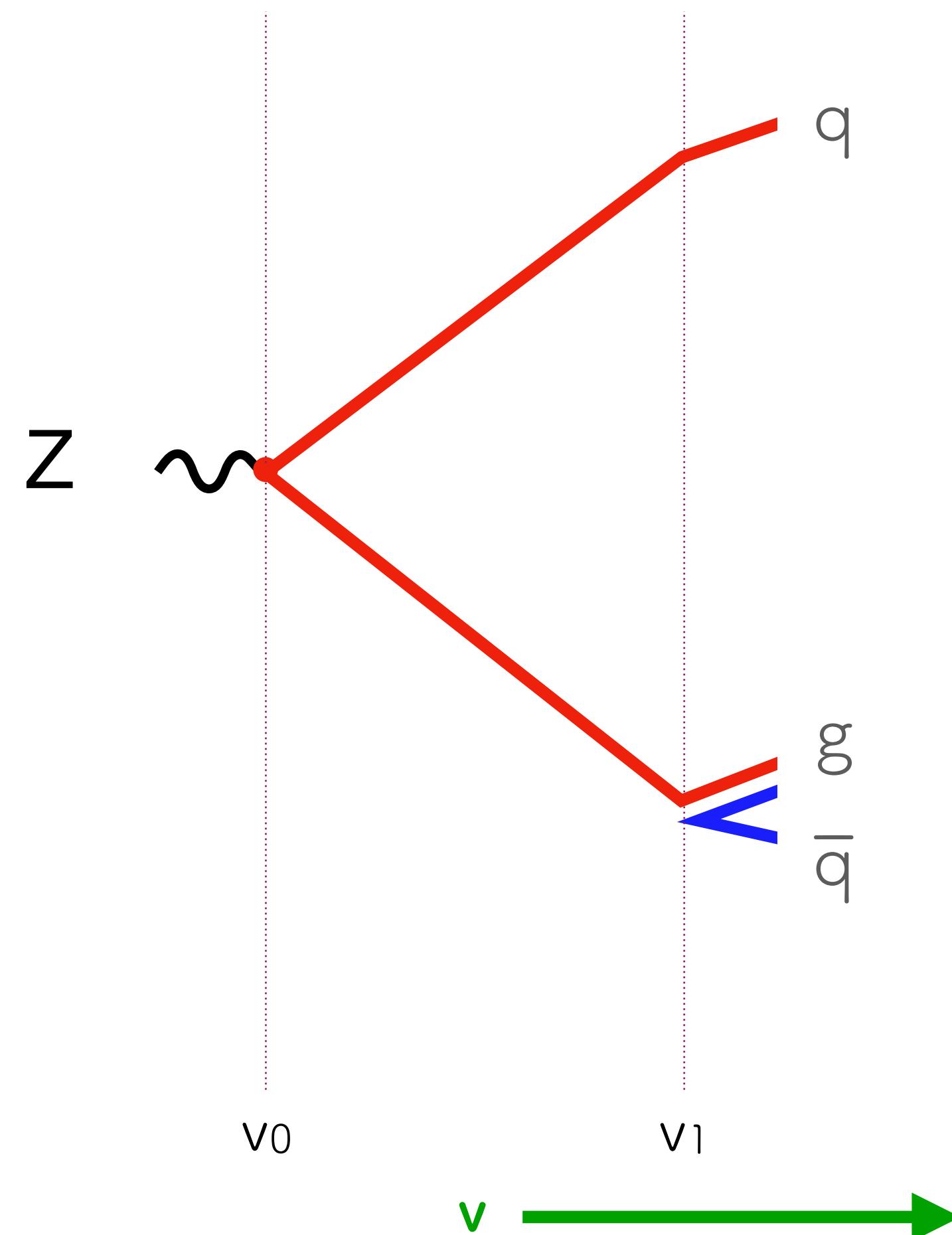


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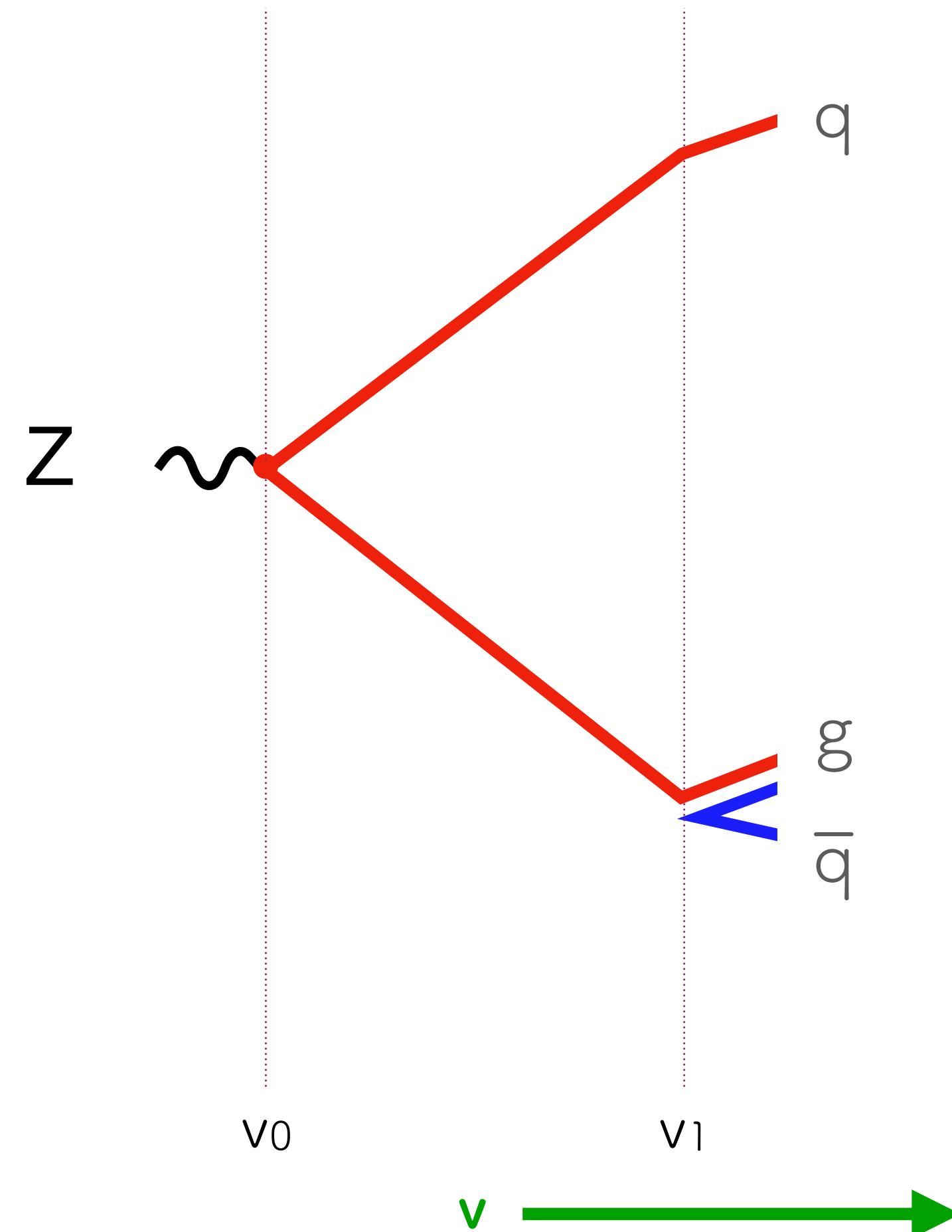
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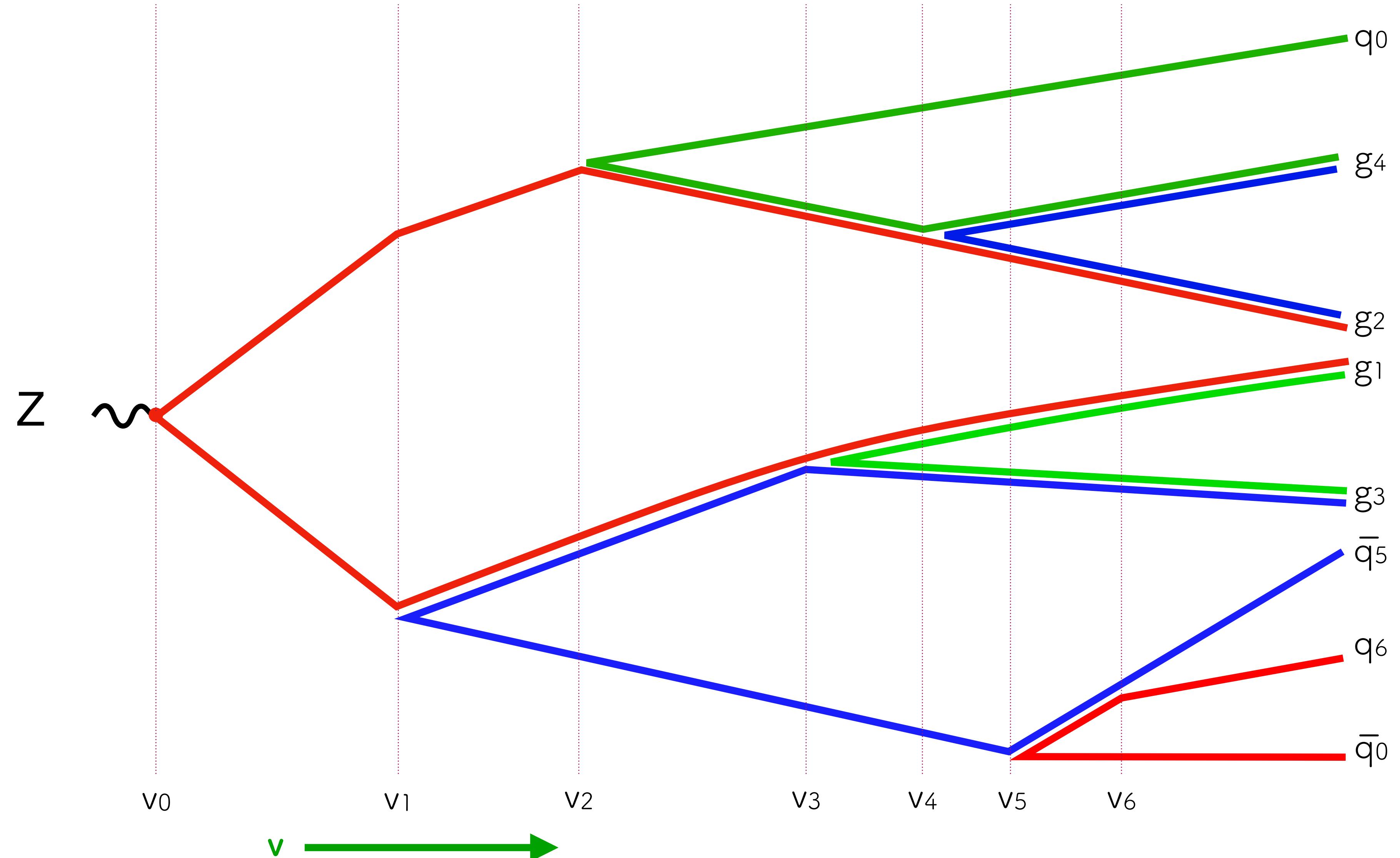
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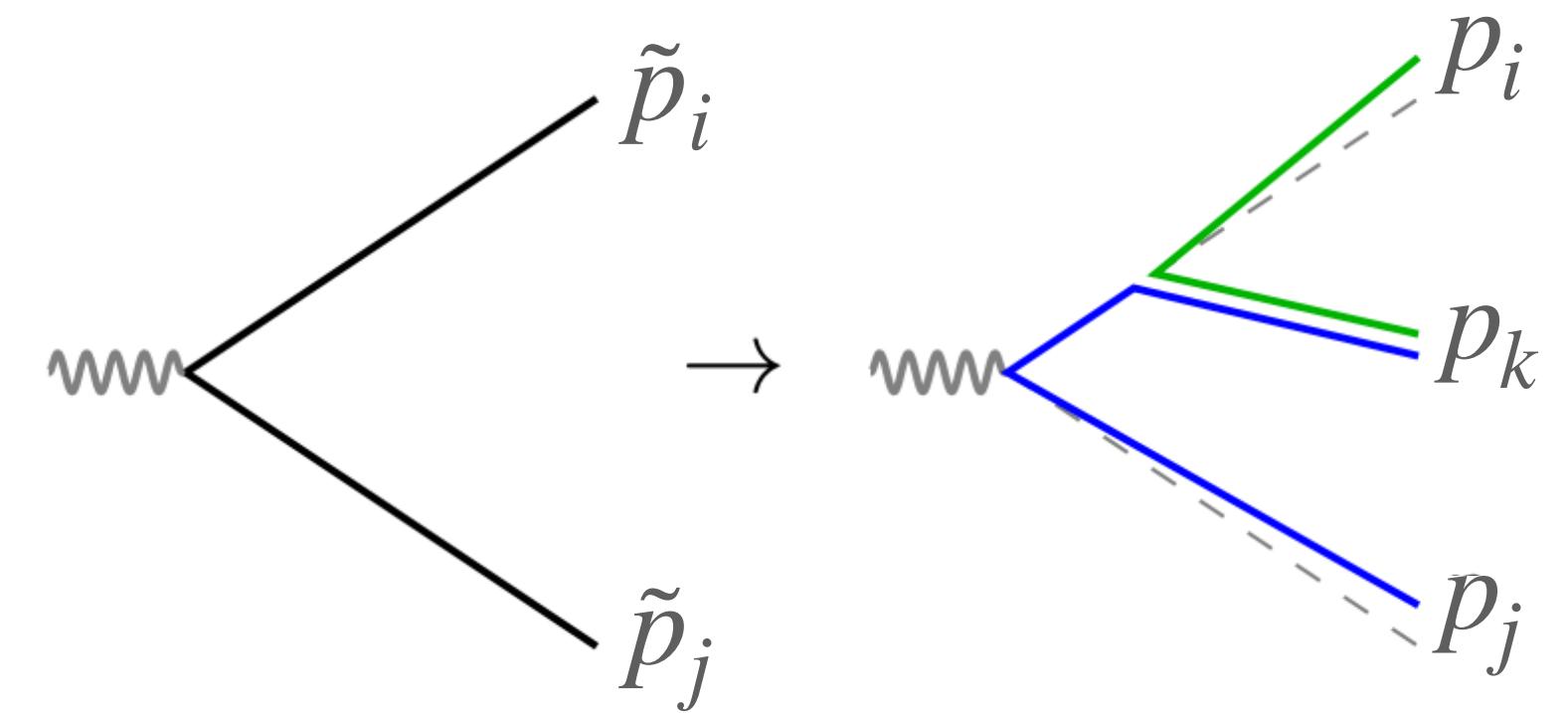
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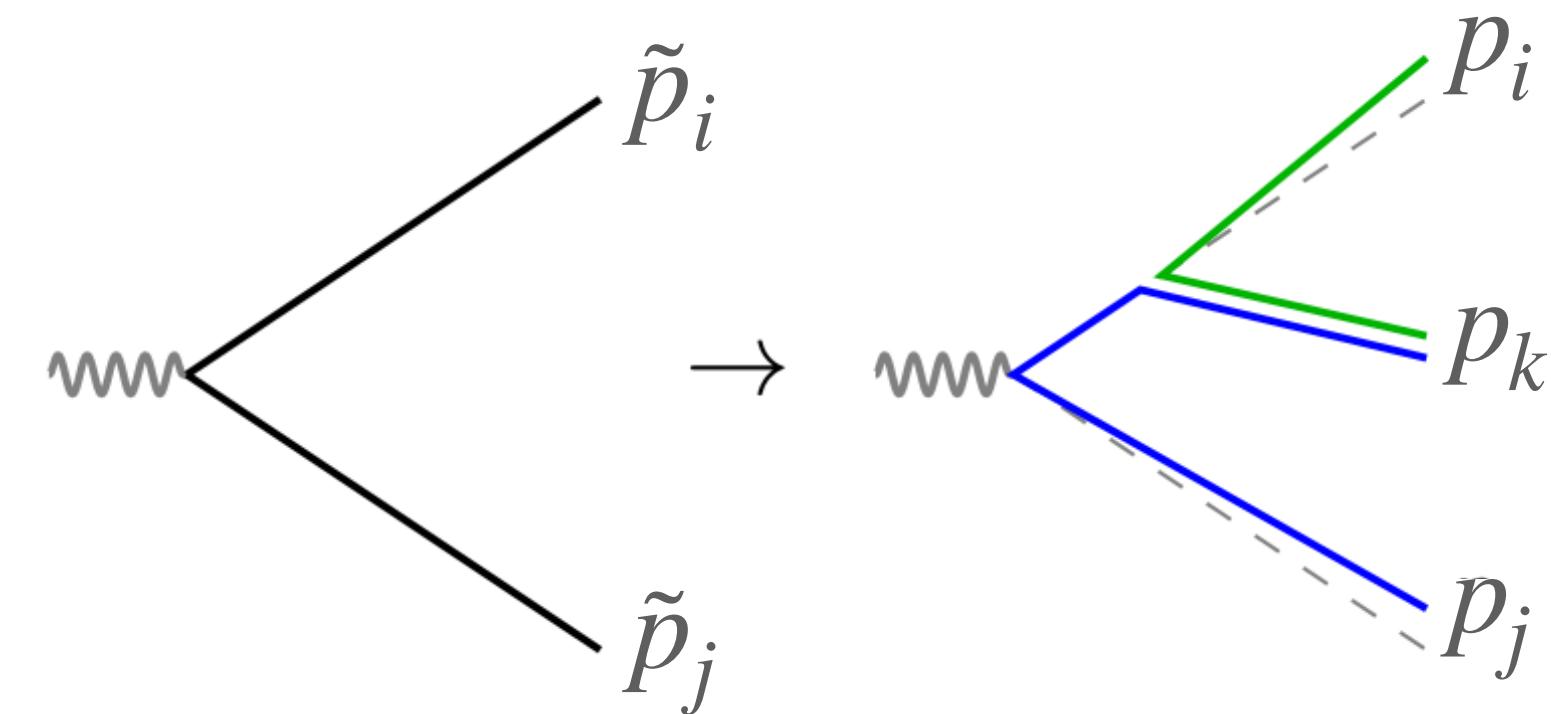
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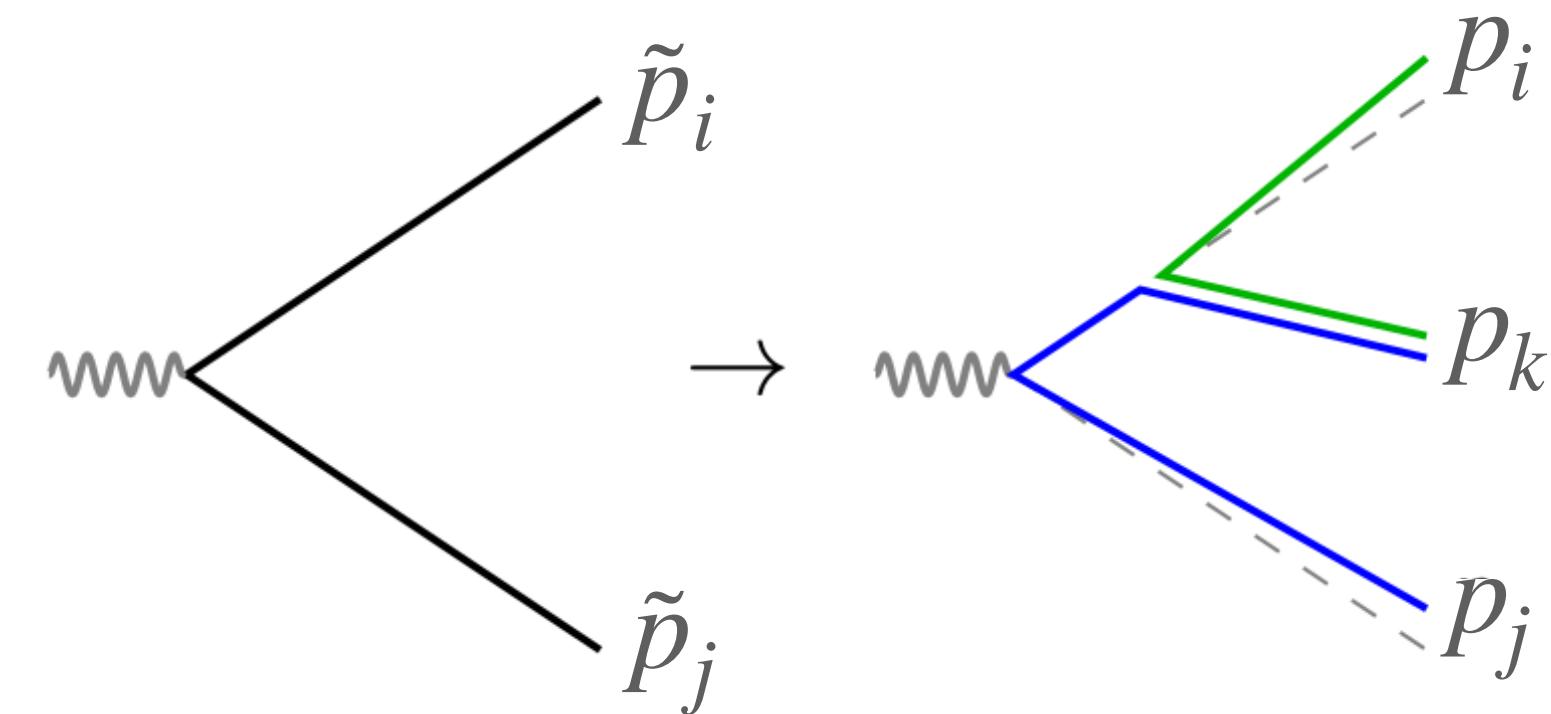


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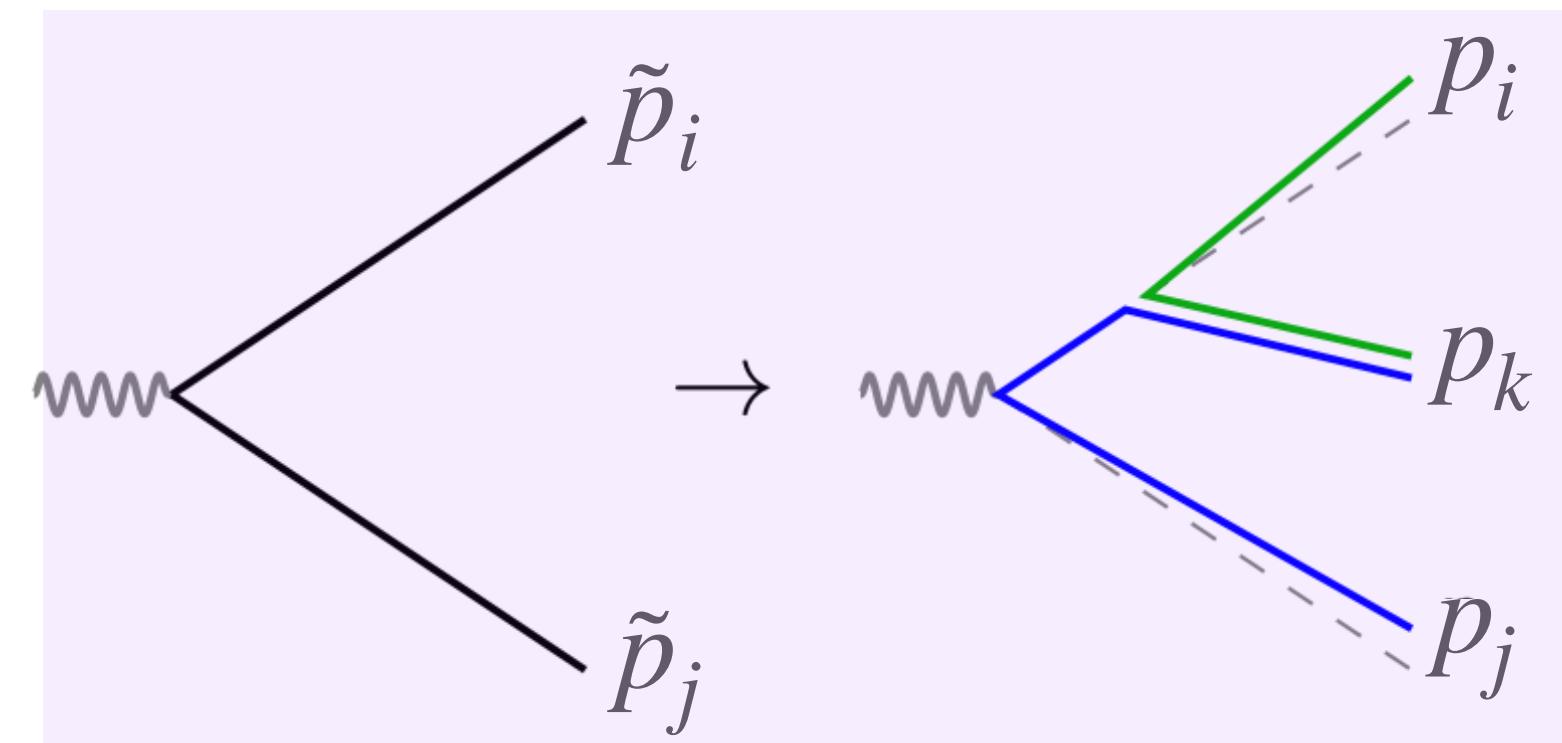
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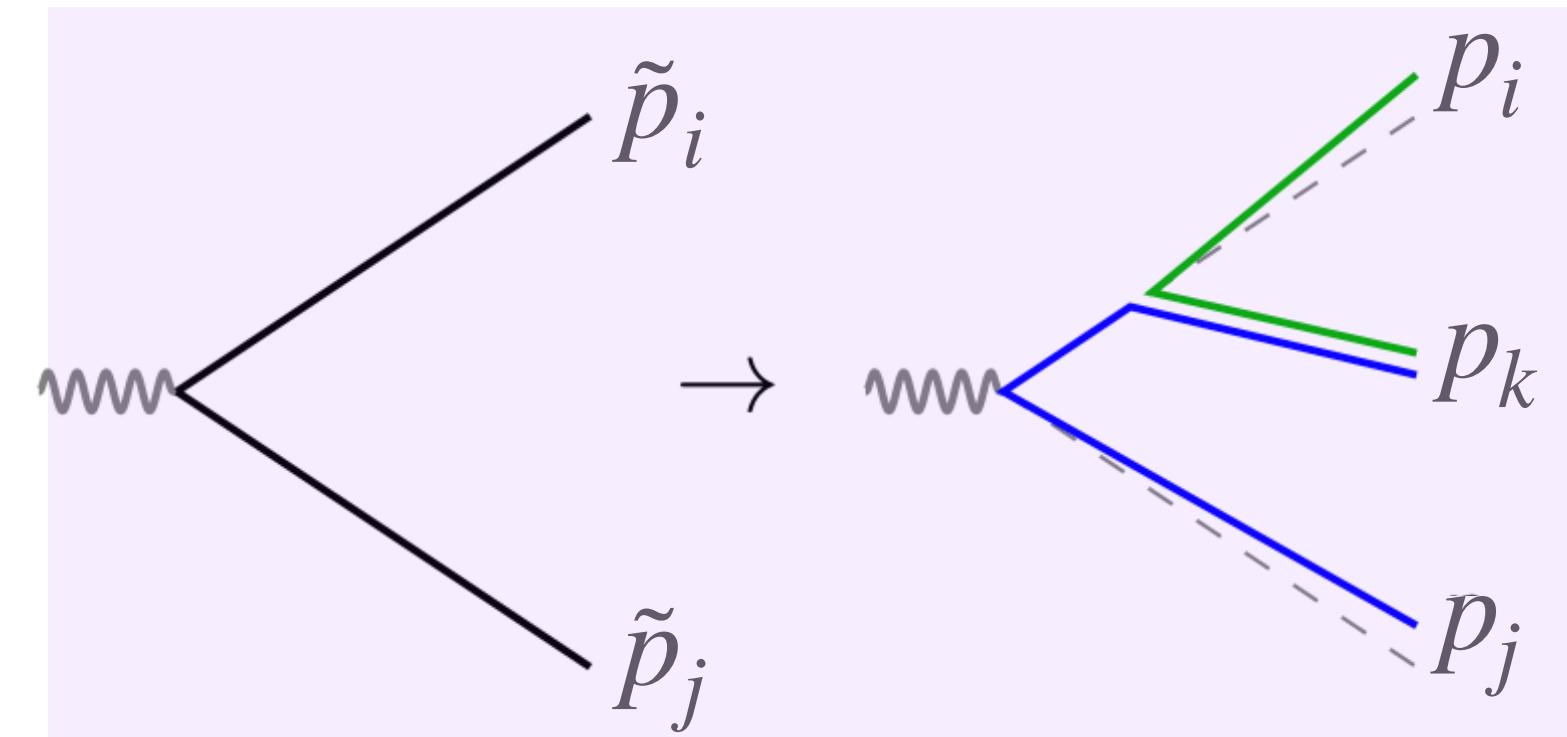
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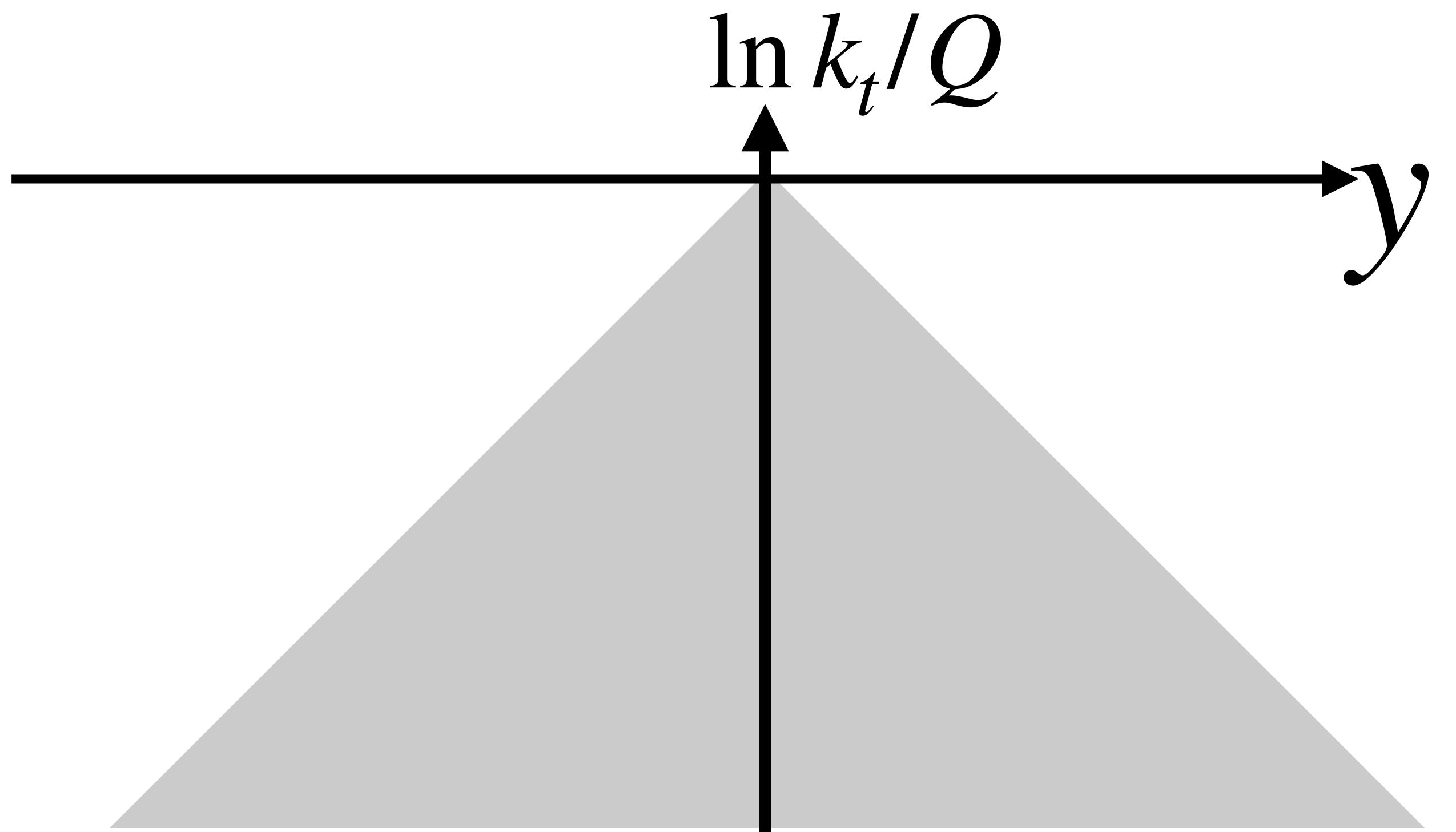
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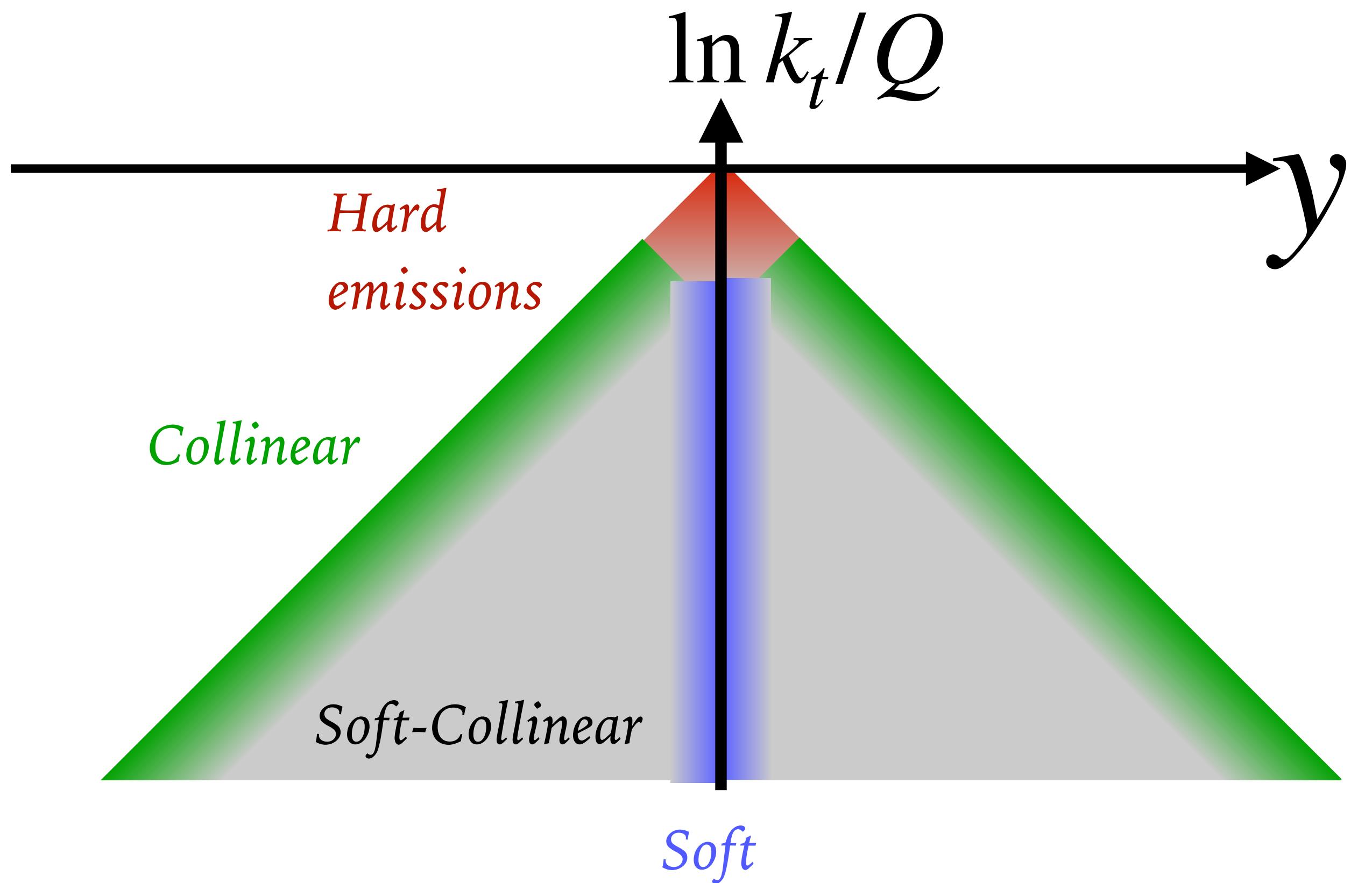
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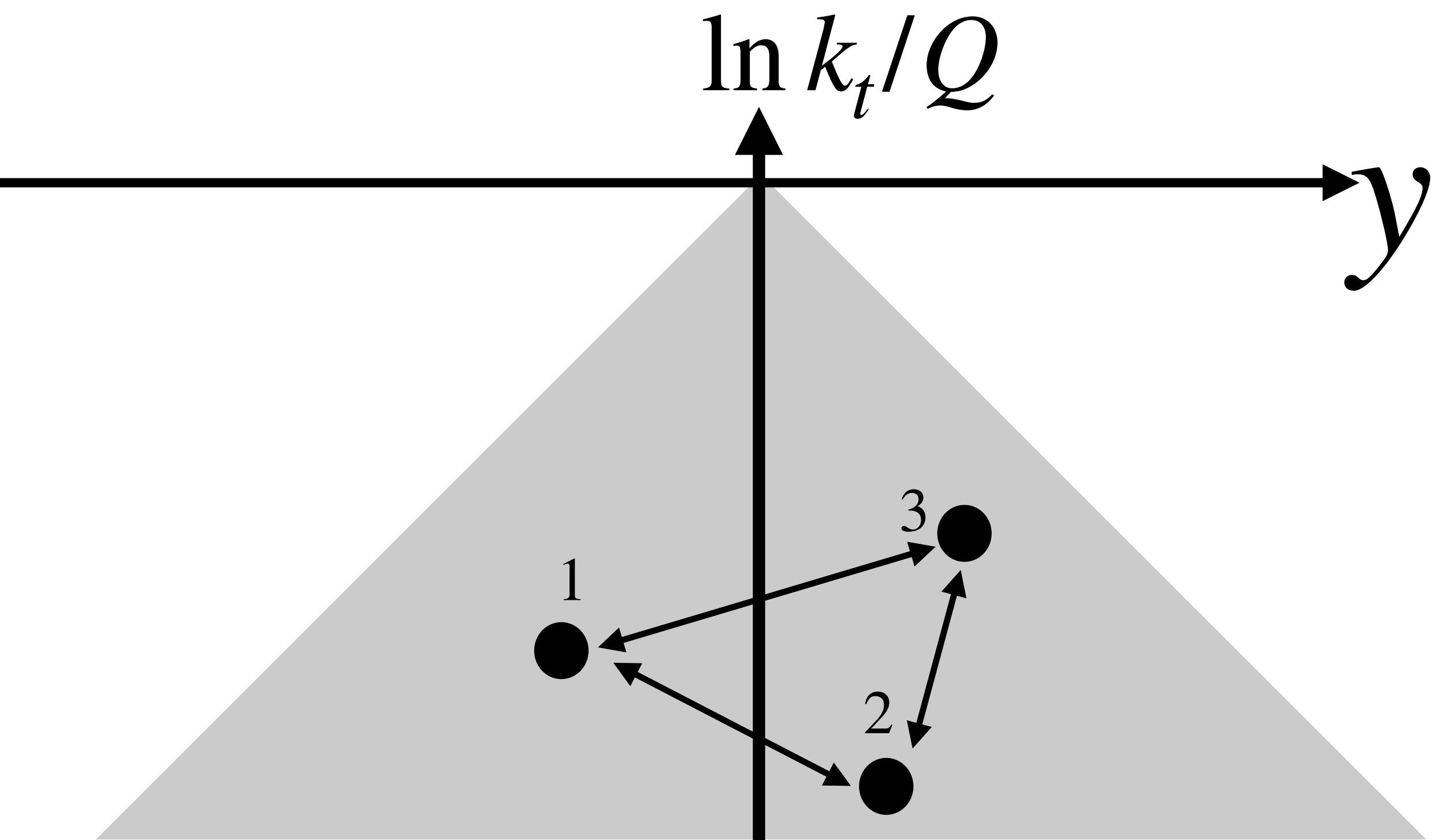
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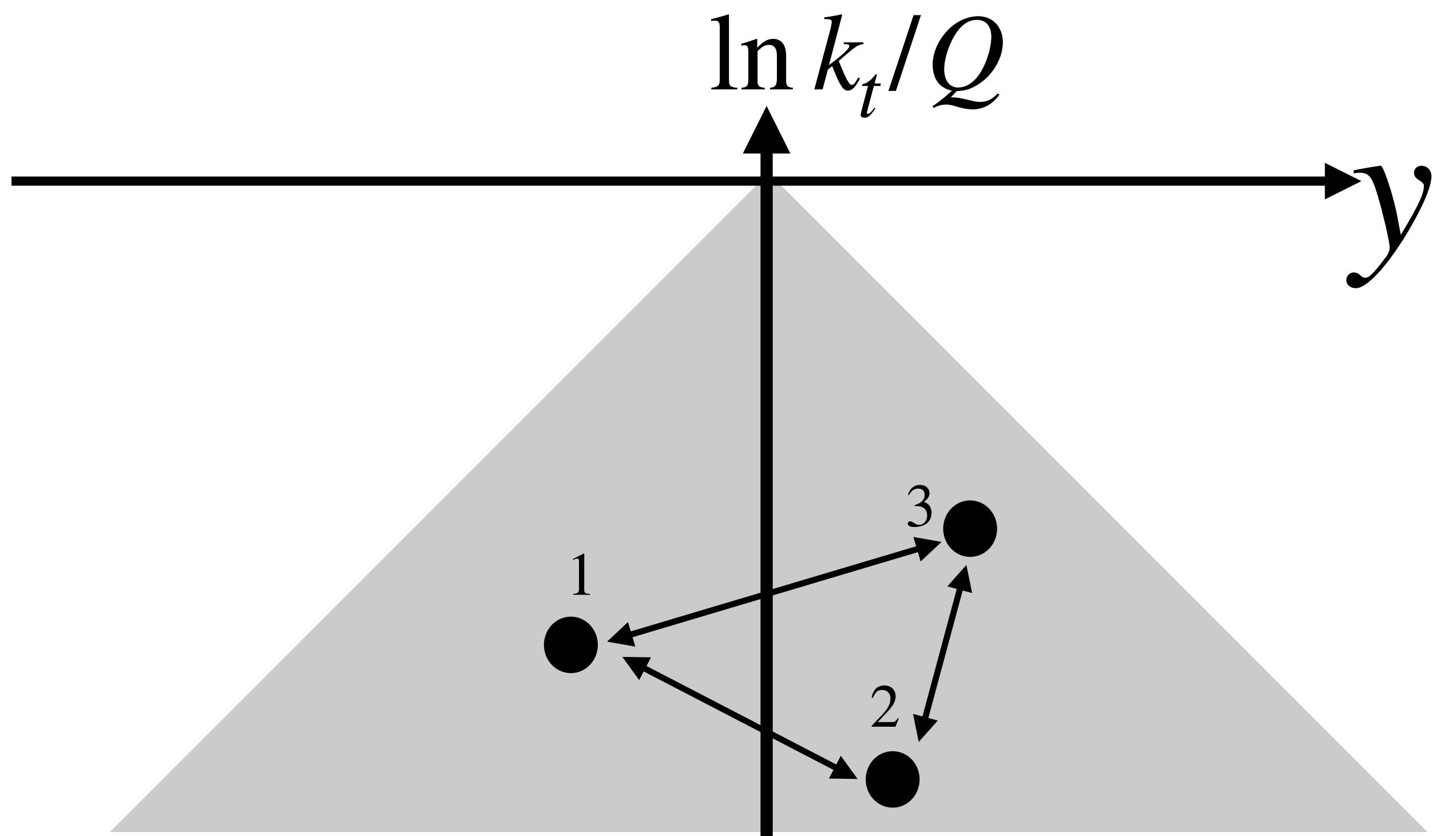


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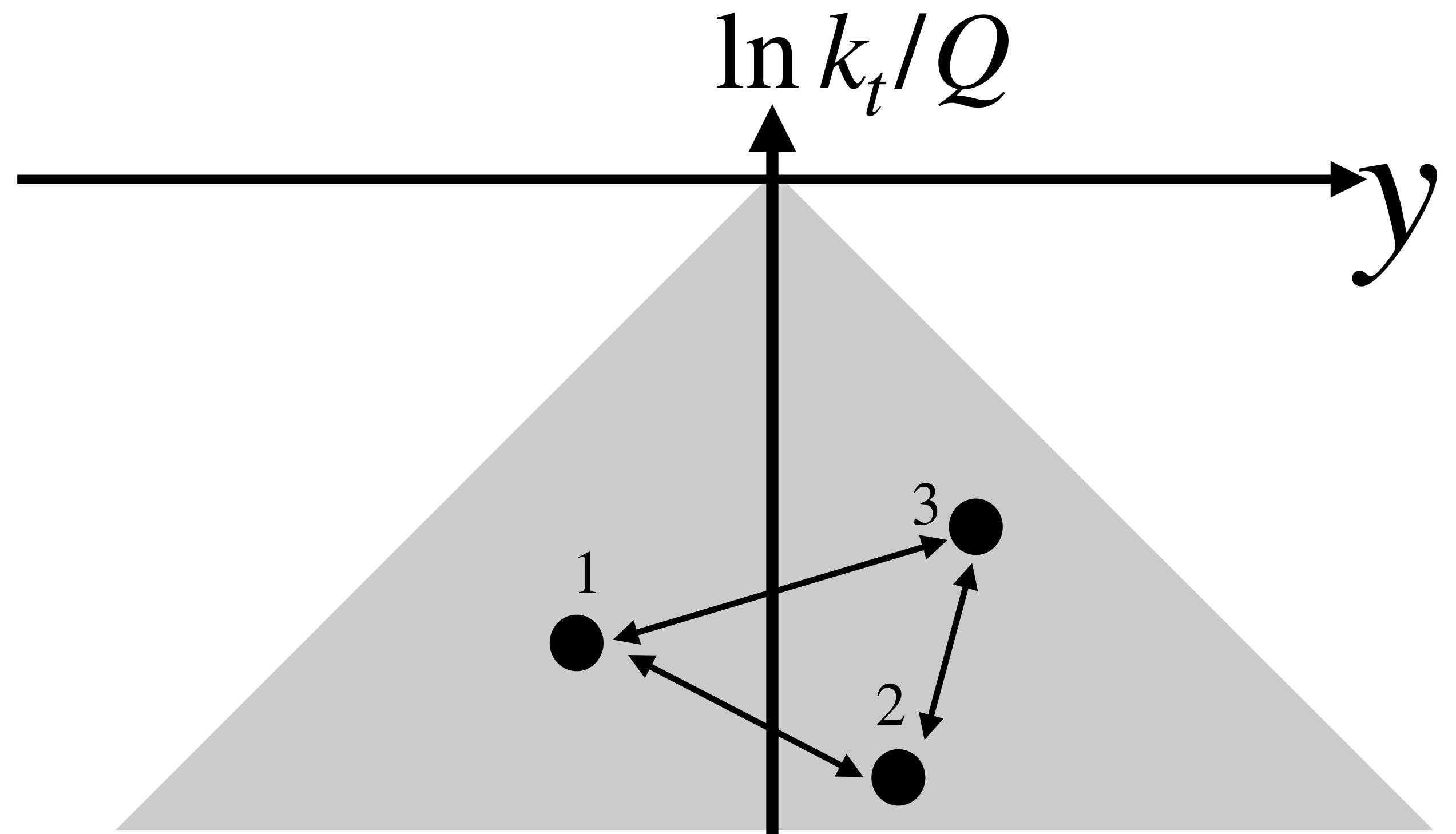
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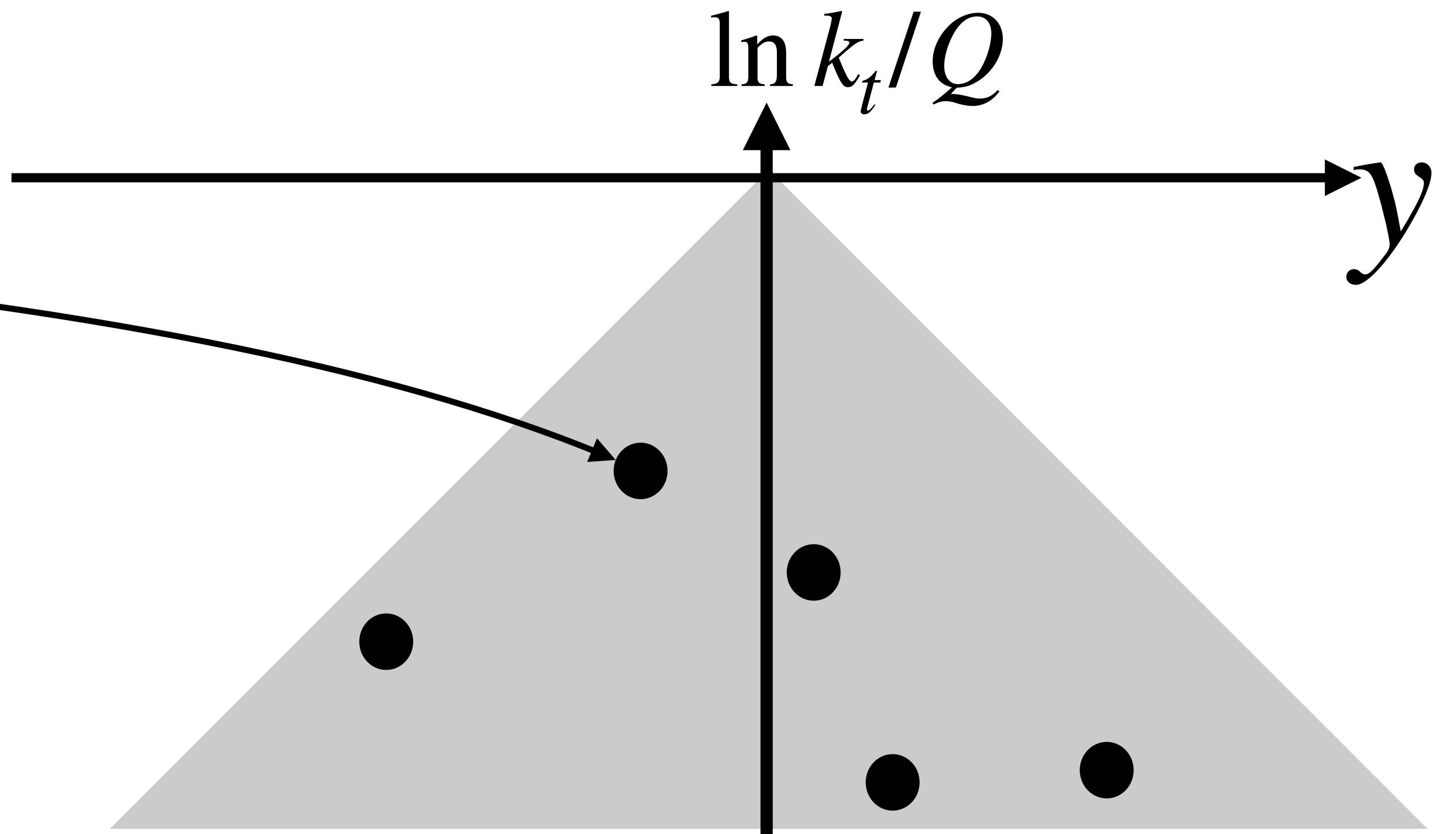
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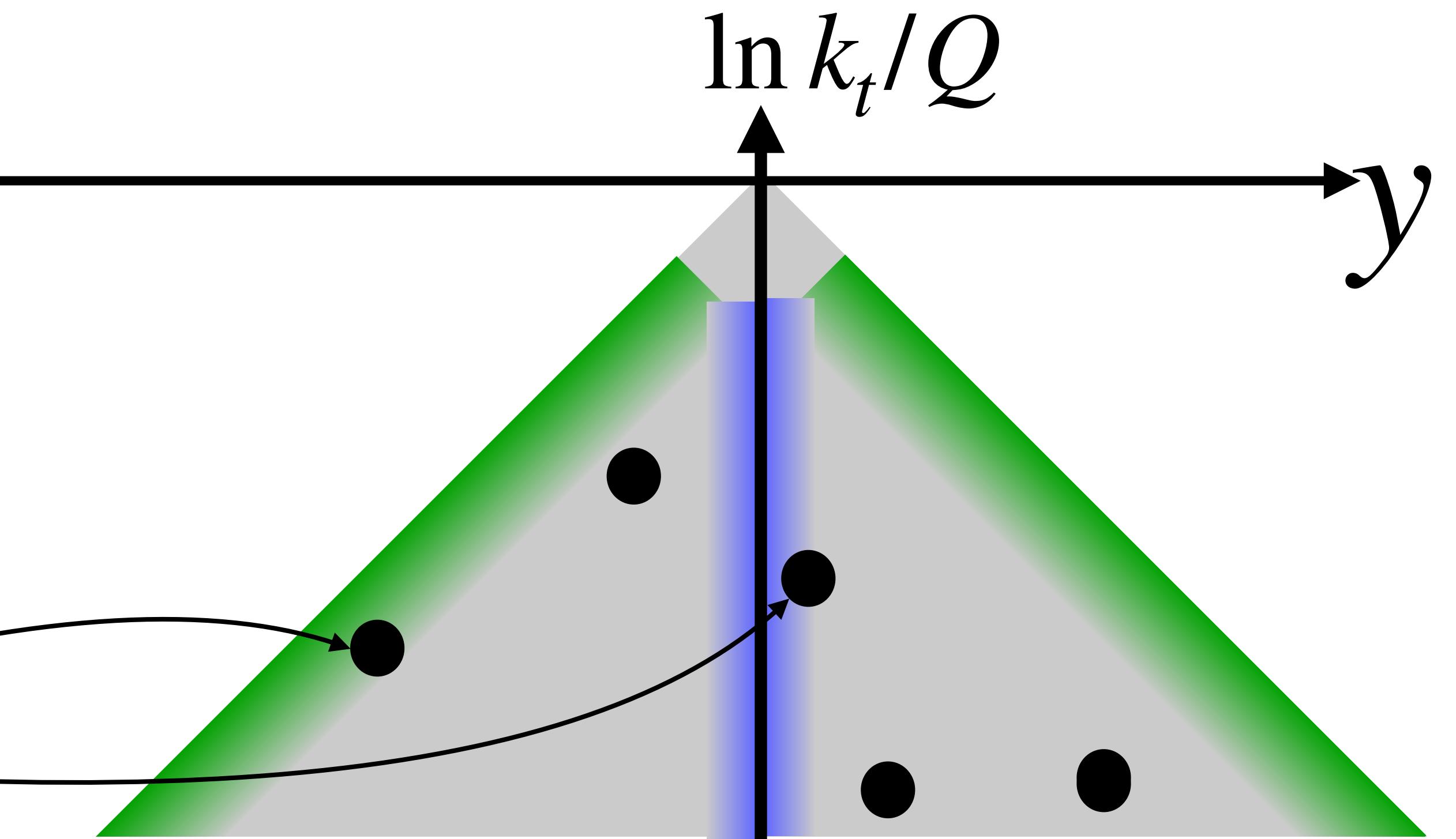
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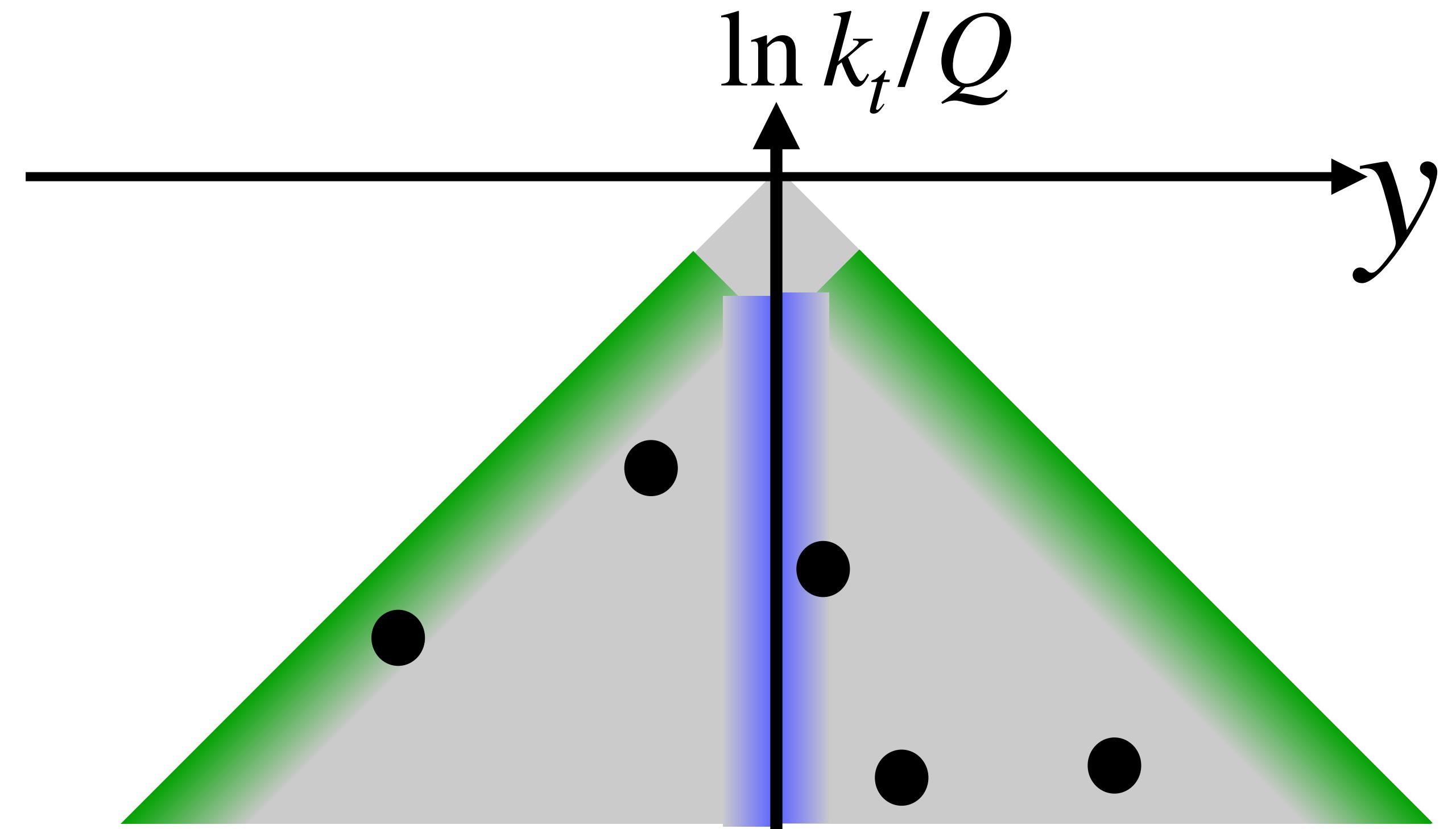
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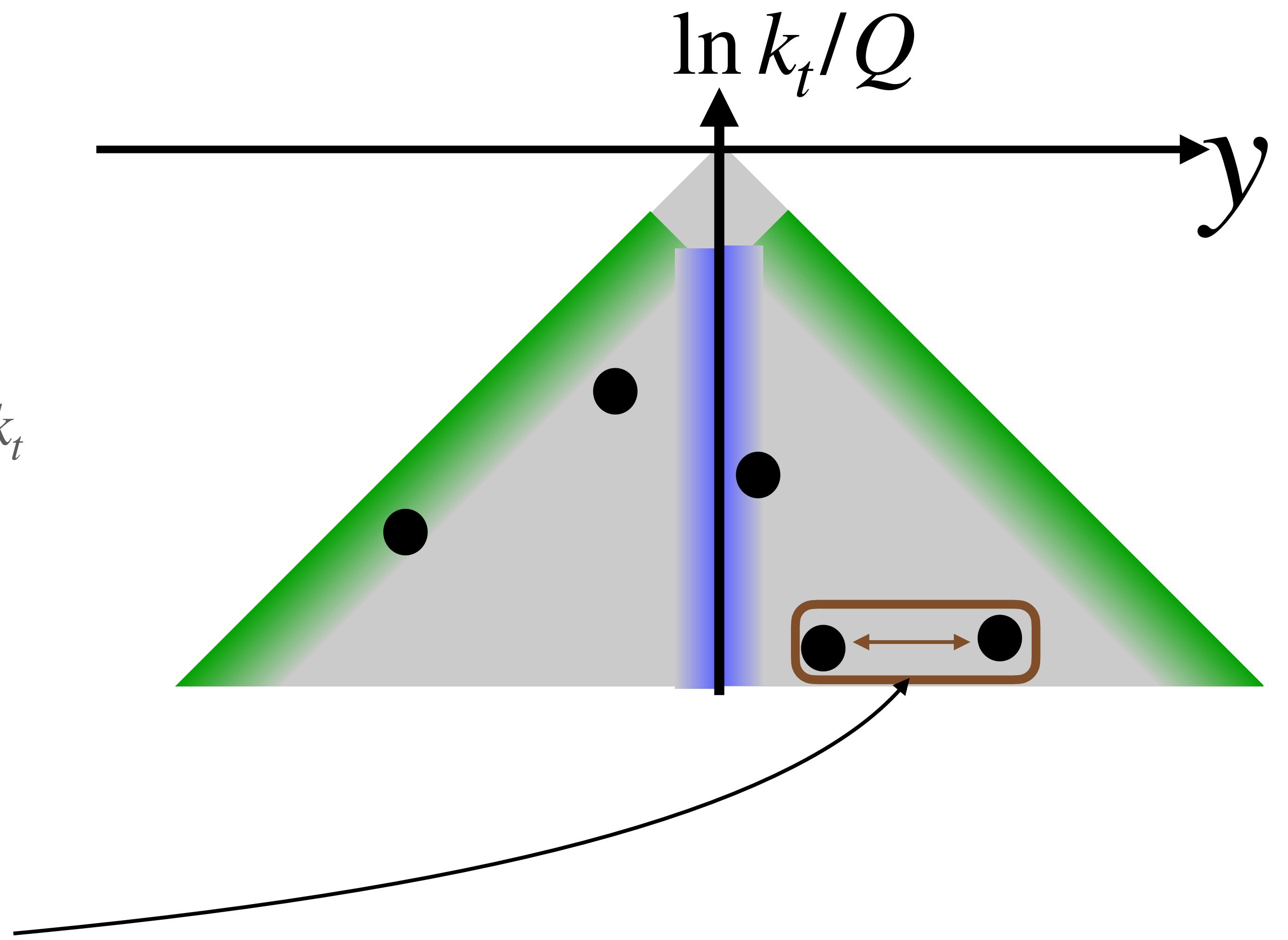
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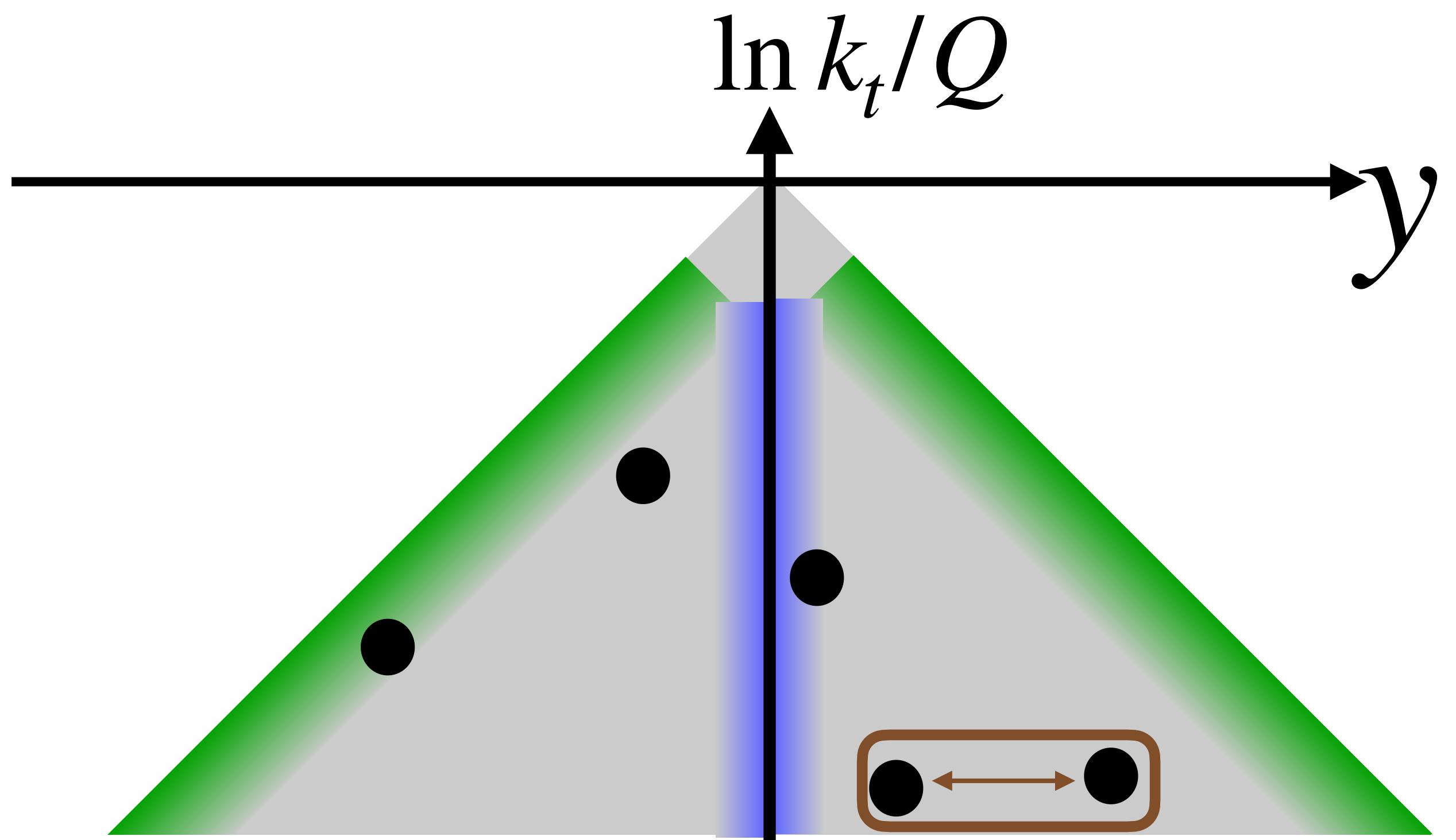
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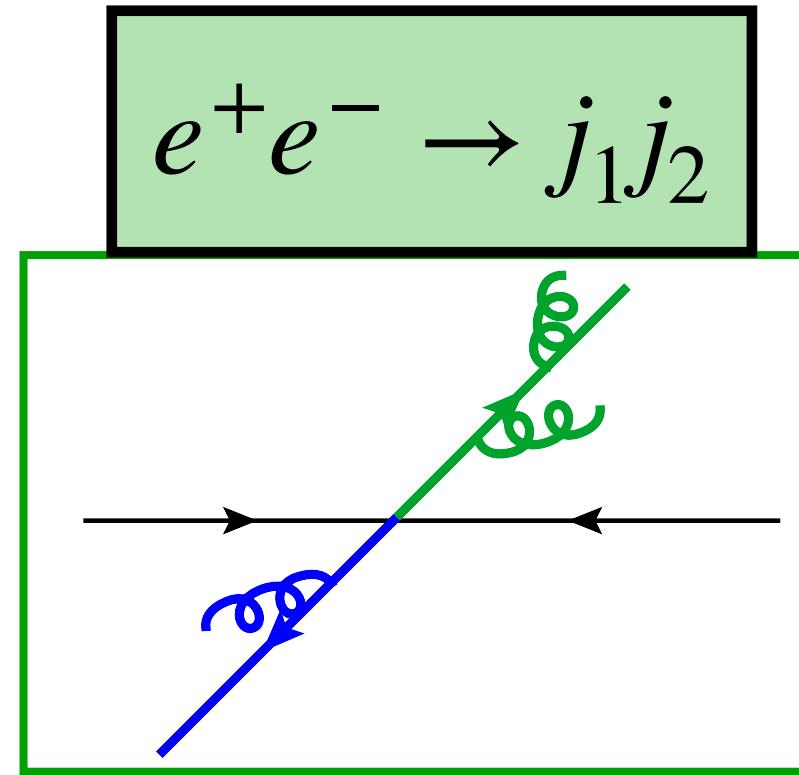


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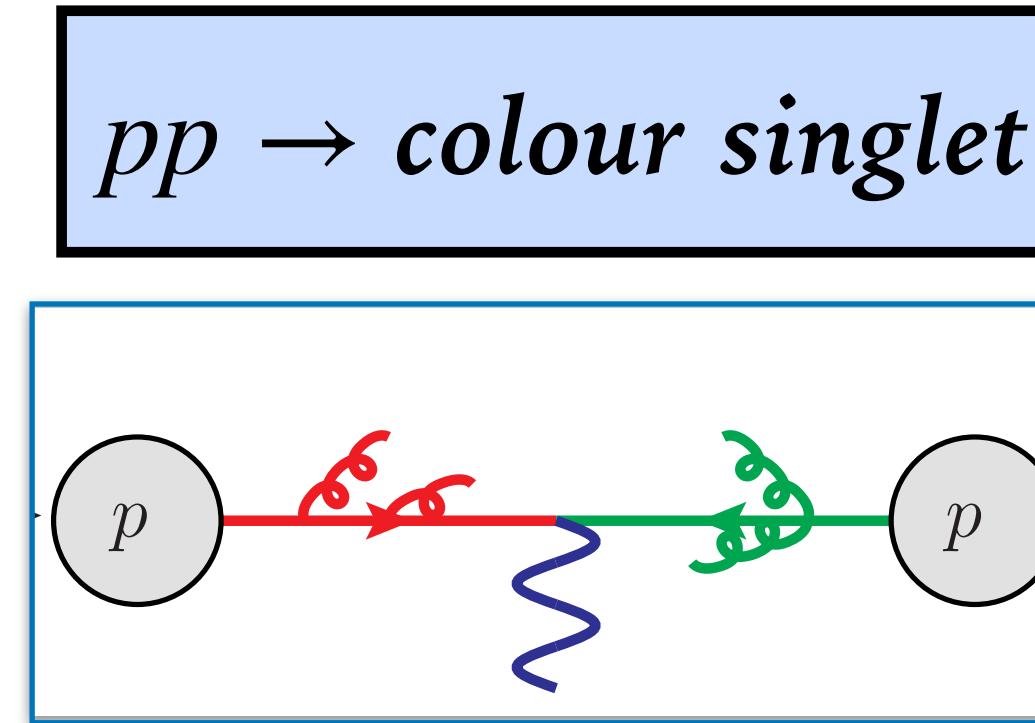
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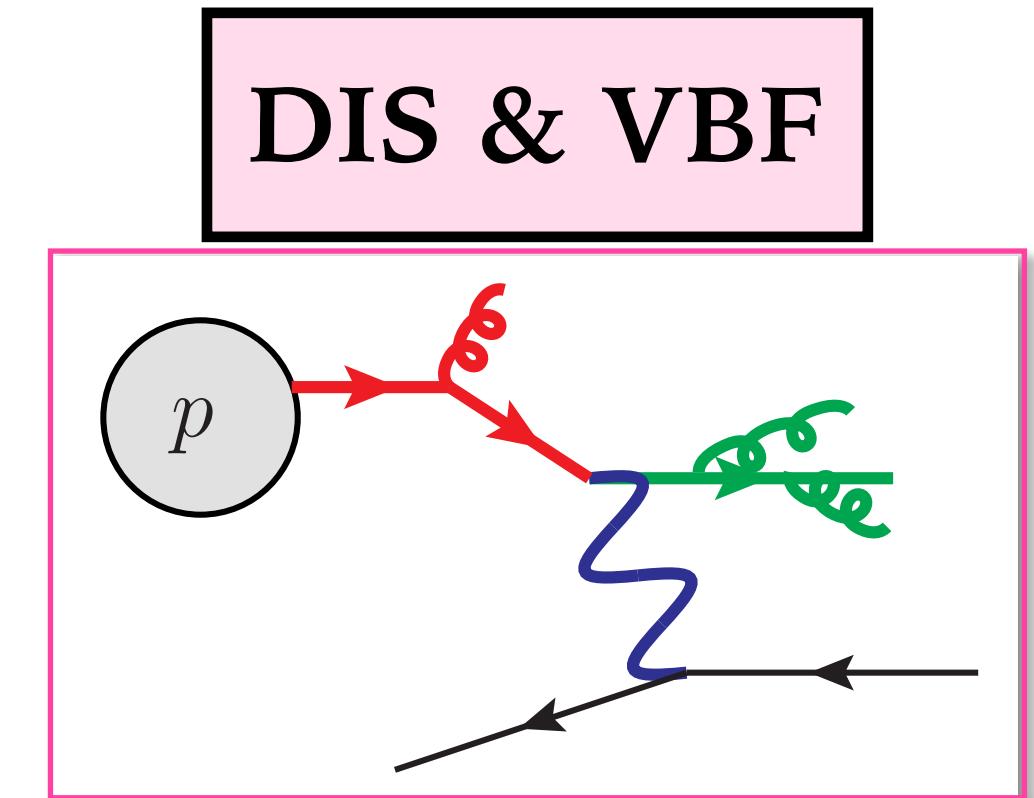
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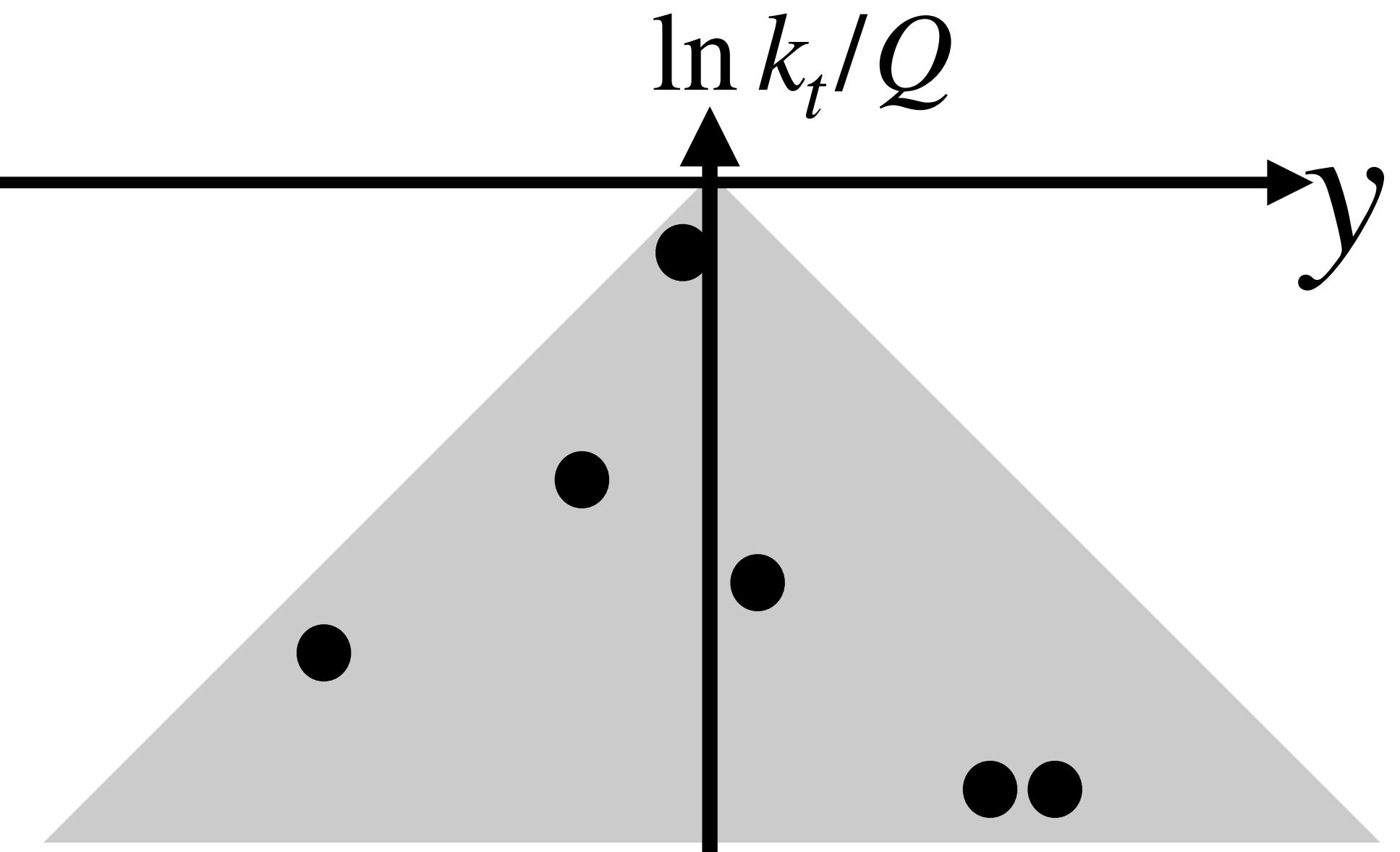
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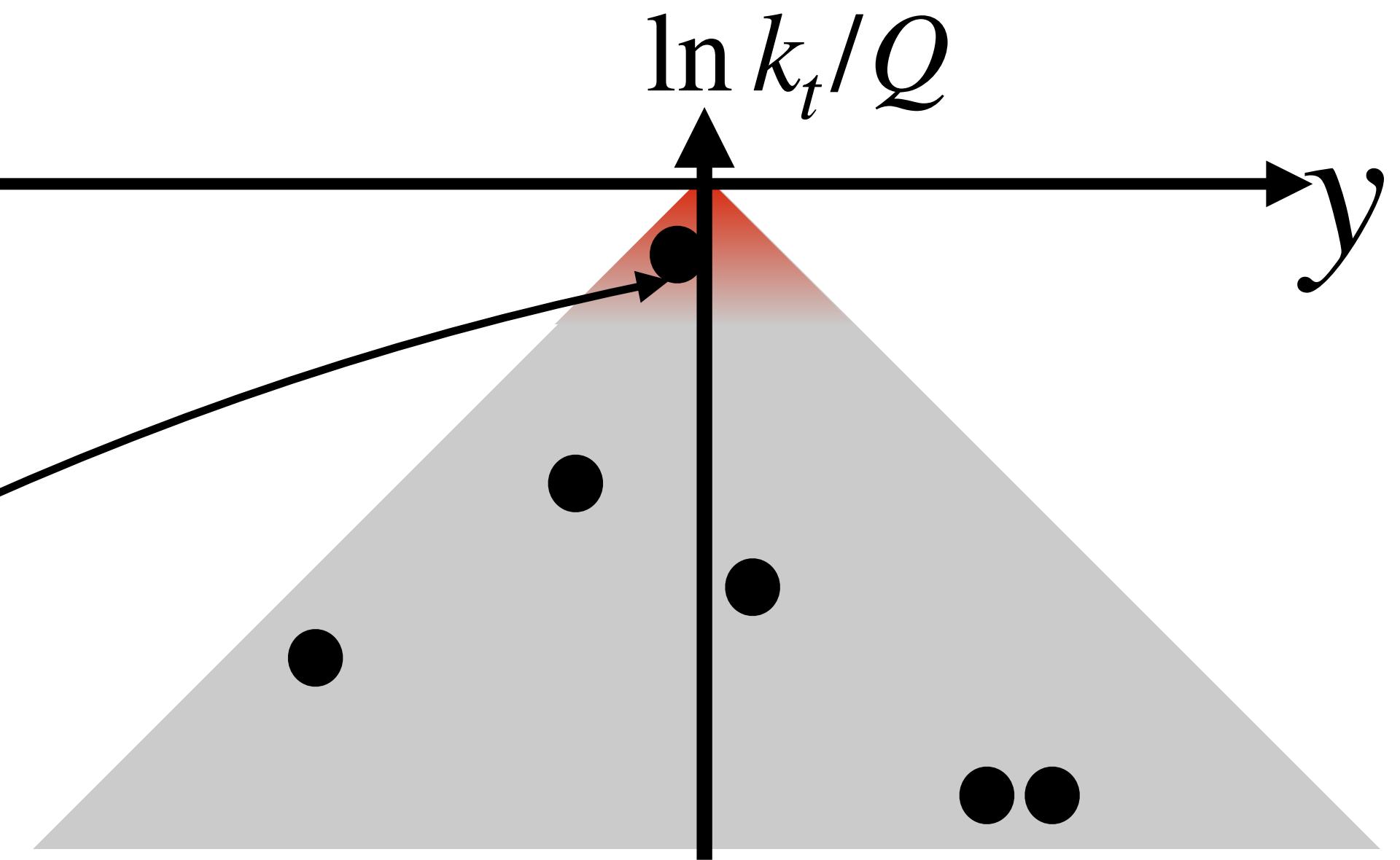
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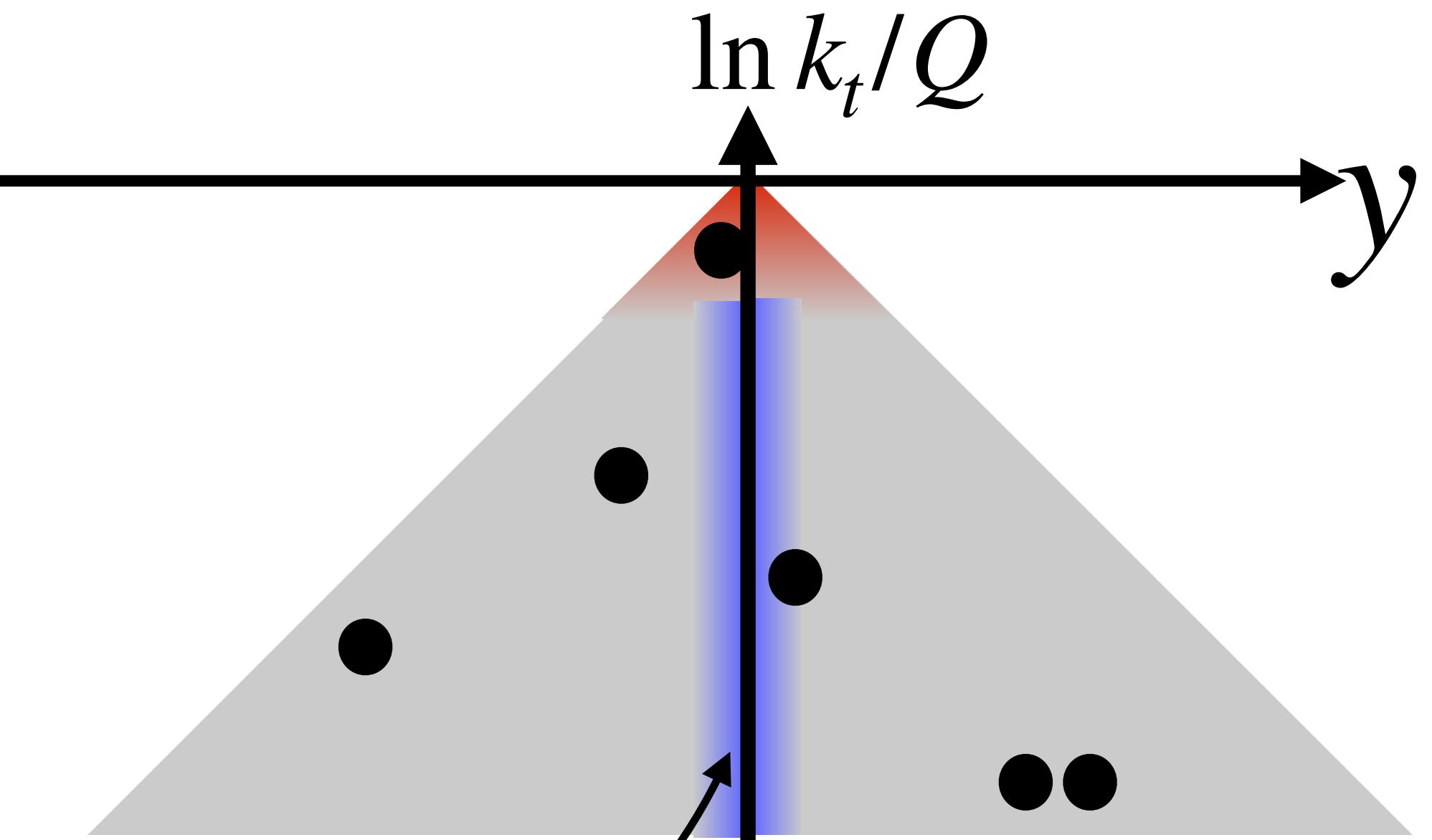
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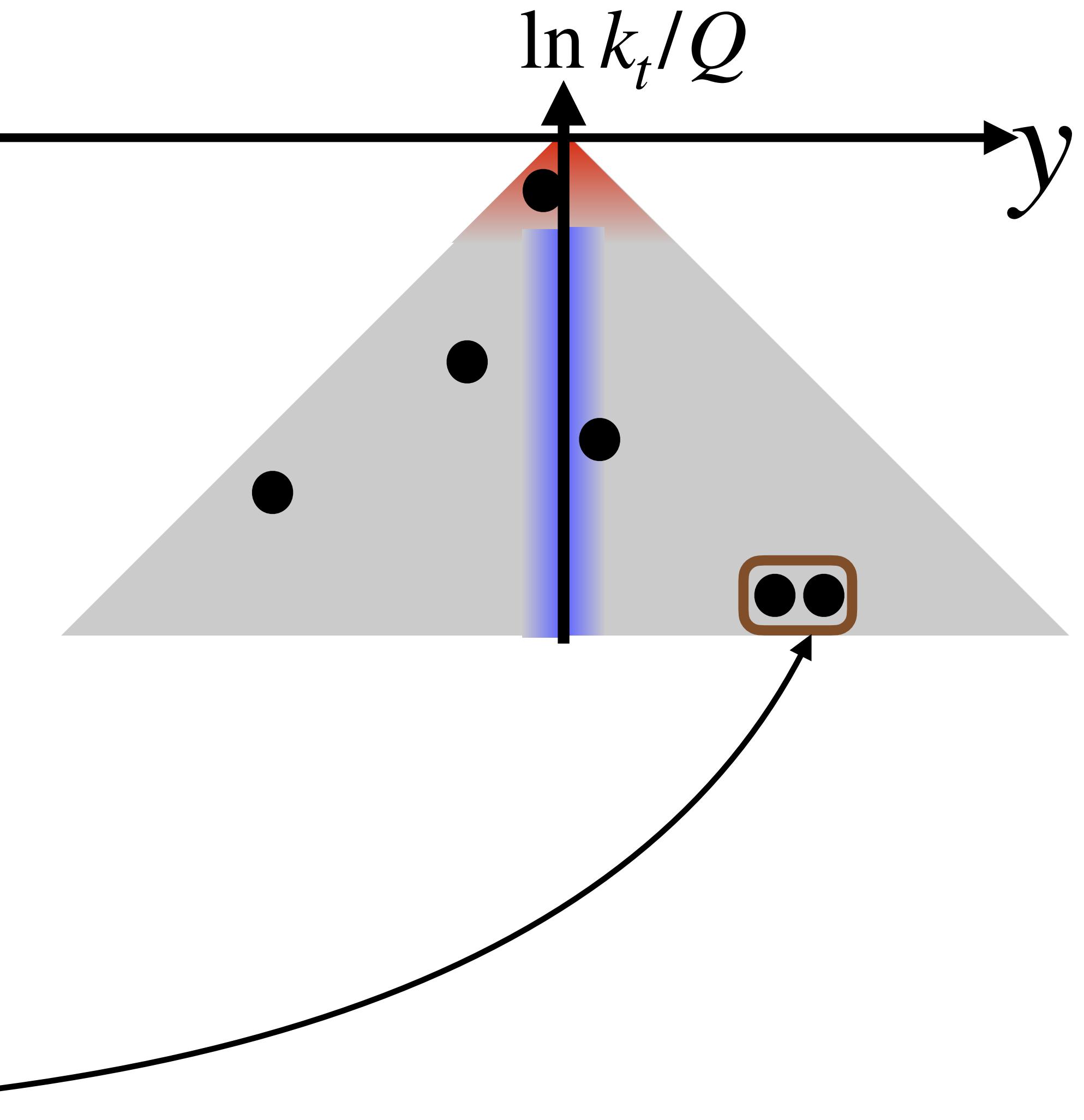
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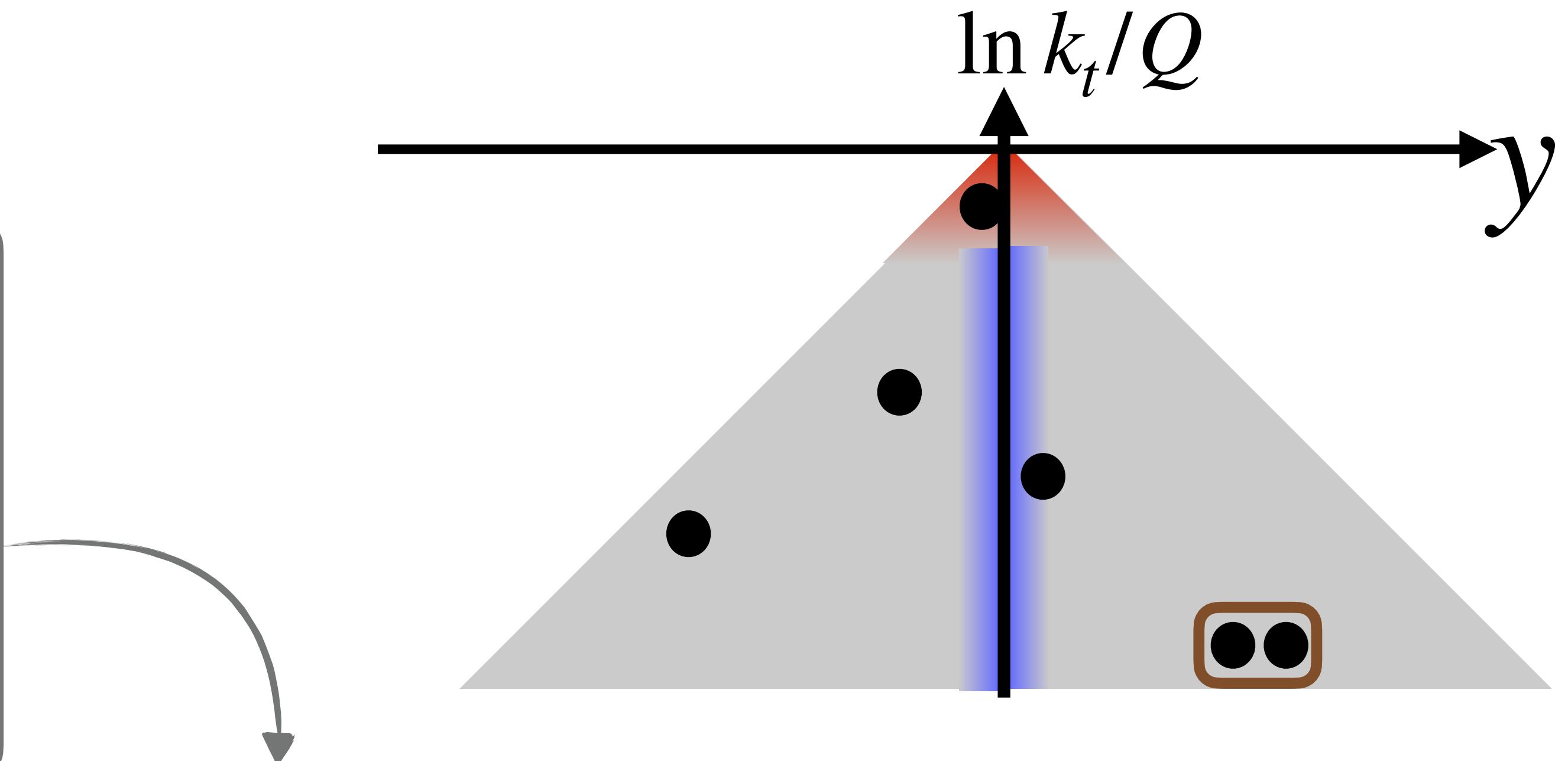
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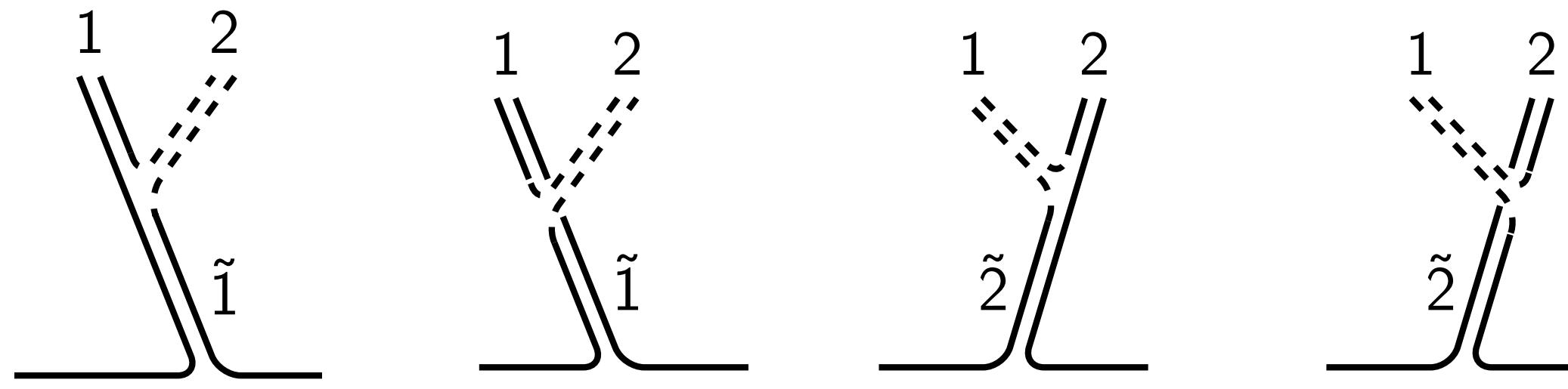
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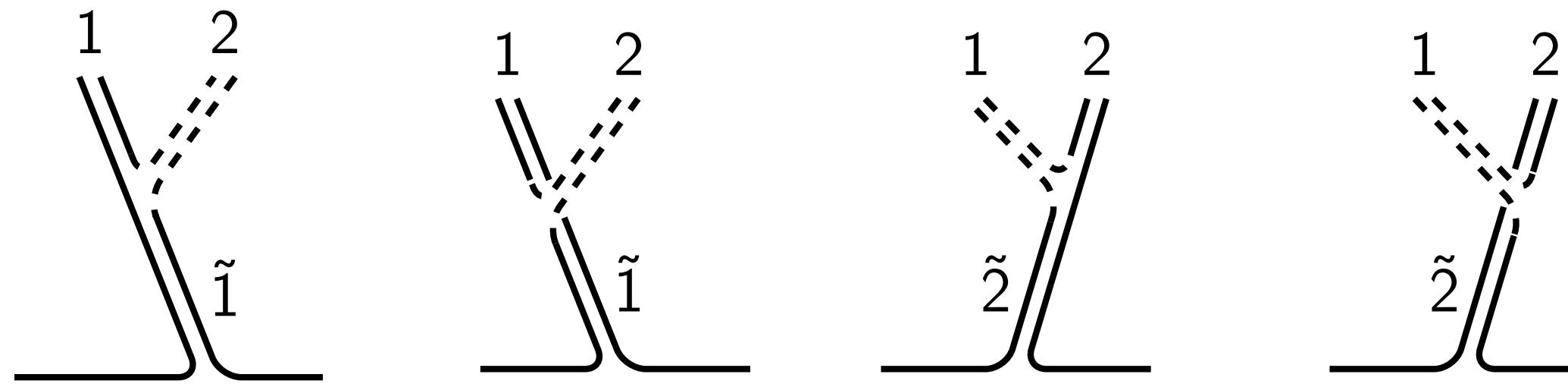


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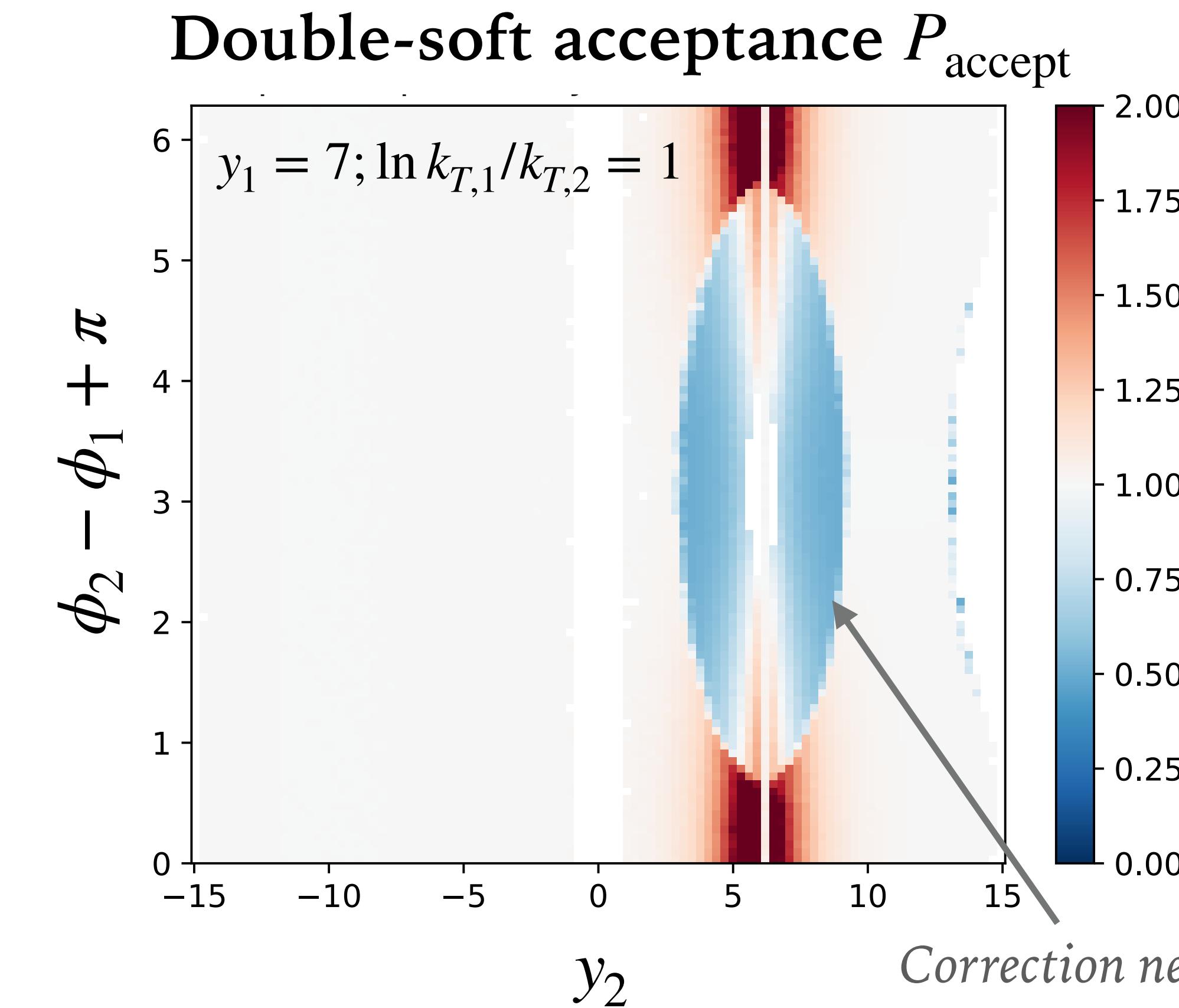
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NLO corrections to a single soft emission: standard behaviour

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[*Nucl.Phys.B* 349 (1991) 635-654]

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Additional virtual correction added directly to the splitting function

Ensures “on average”

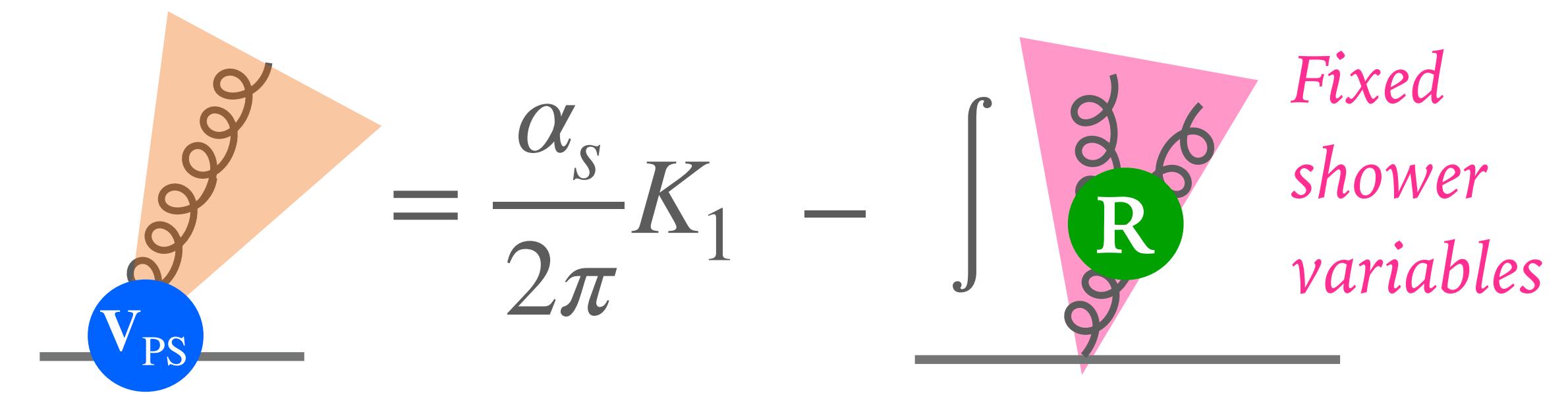
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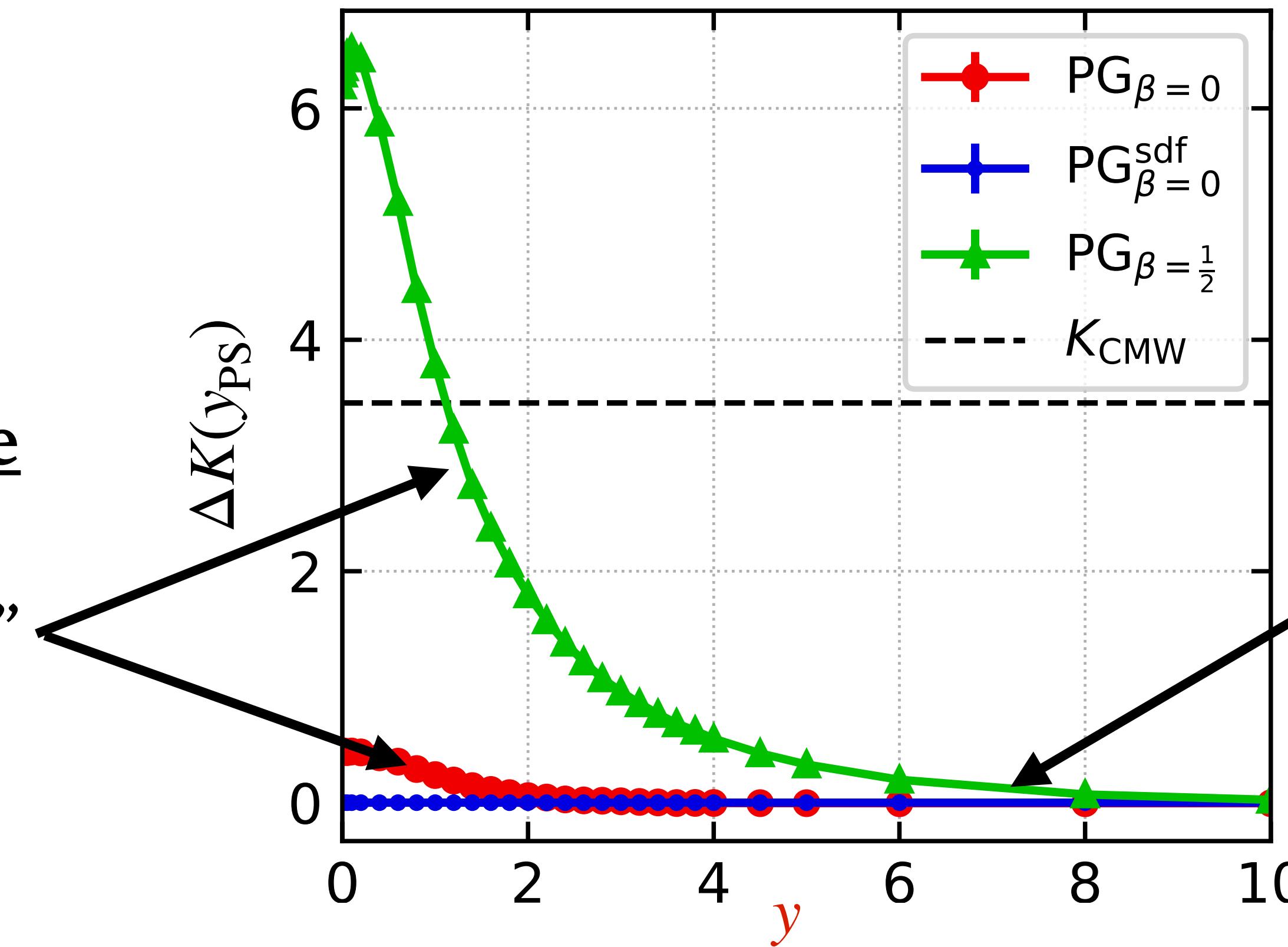
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example ΔK_1 correction

Soft large-angle emissions can require a “large” ΔK_1



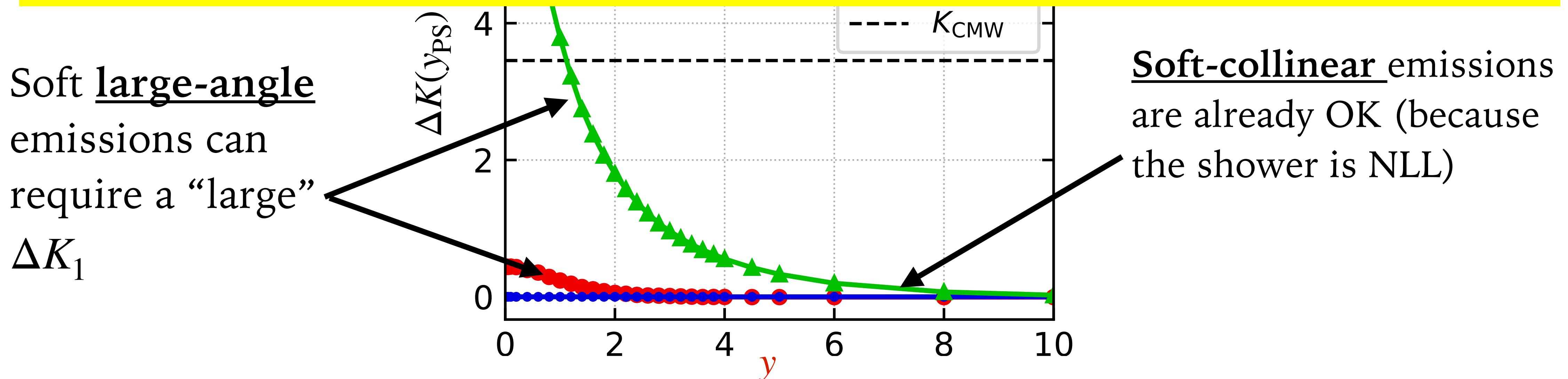
Soft-collinear emissions are already OK (because the shower is NLL)

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Augmenting the order of the splitting function used is not sufficient to achieve superior logarithmic accuracy!

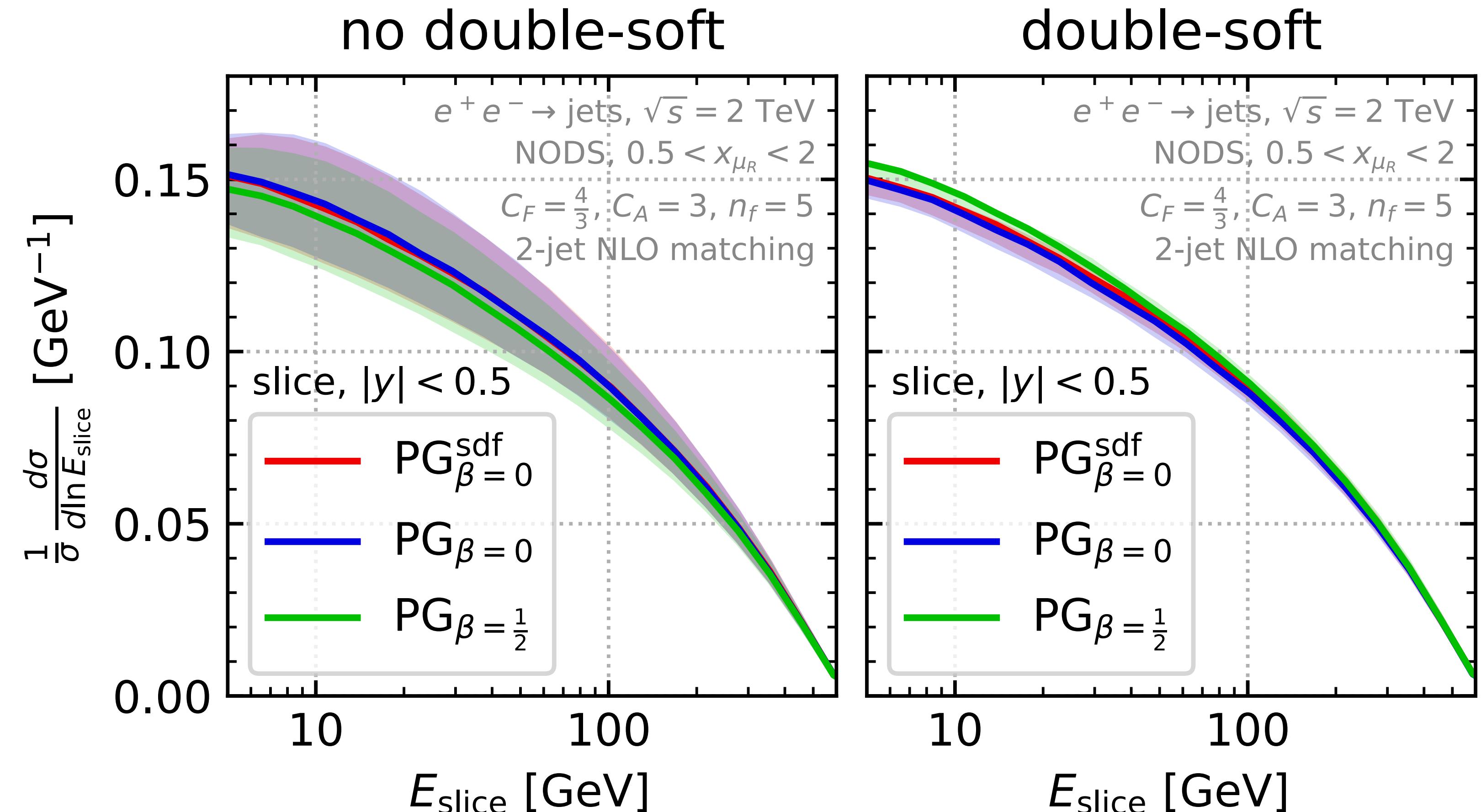


NSL Pheno outlook

S.F.R., Hamilton,
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- Energy flow in slice between two 1 TeV jets
- Double-soft reduces uncertainty band

Uncertainty here is estimated varying the renormalisation scale



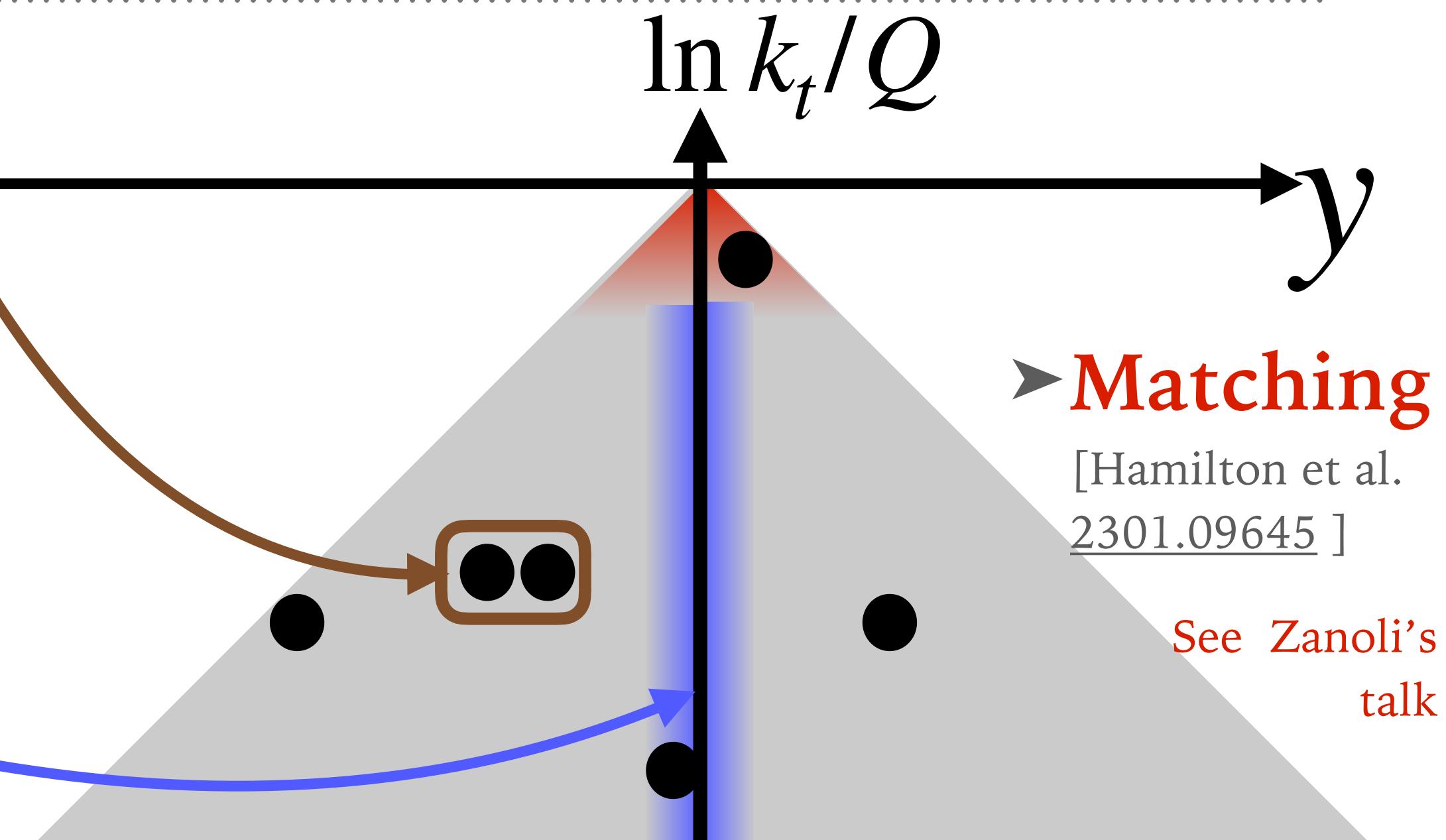
$$\alpha_s^{\text{CMW}}(k_t; x_R) = \alpha_s(x_R k_t) \left(1 + \frac{\alpha_s(x_R k_t)}{2\pi} (K_1 + \Delta K_1(\Phi)) + 2\alpha_s(x_R k_t) b_0 (1 - z) \ln x_R \right)$$

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→ Matching

[Hamilton et al.
[2301.09645](#)]

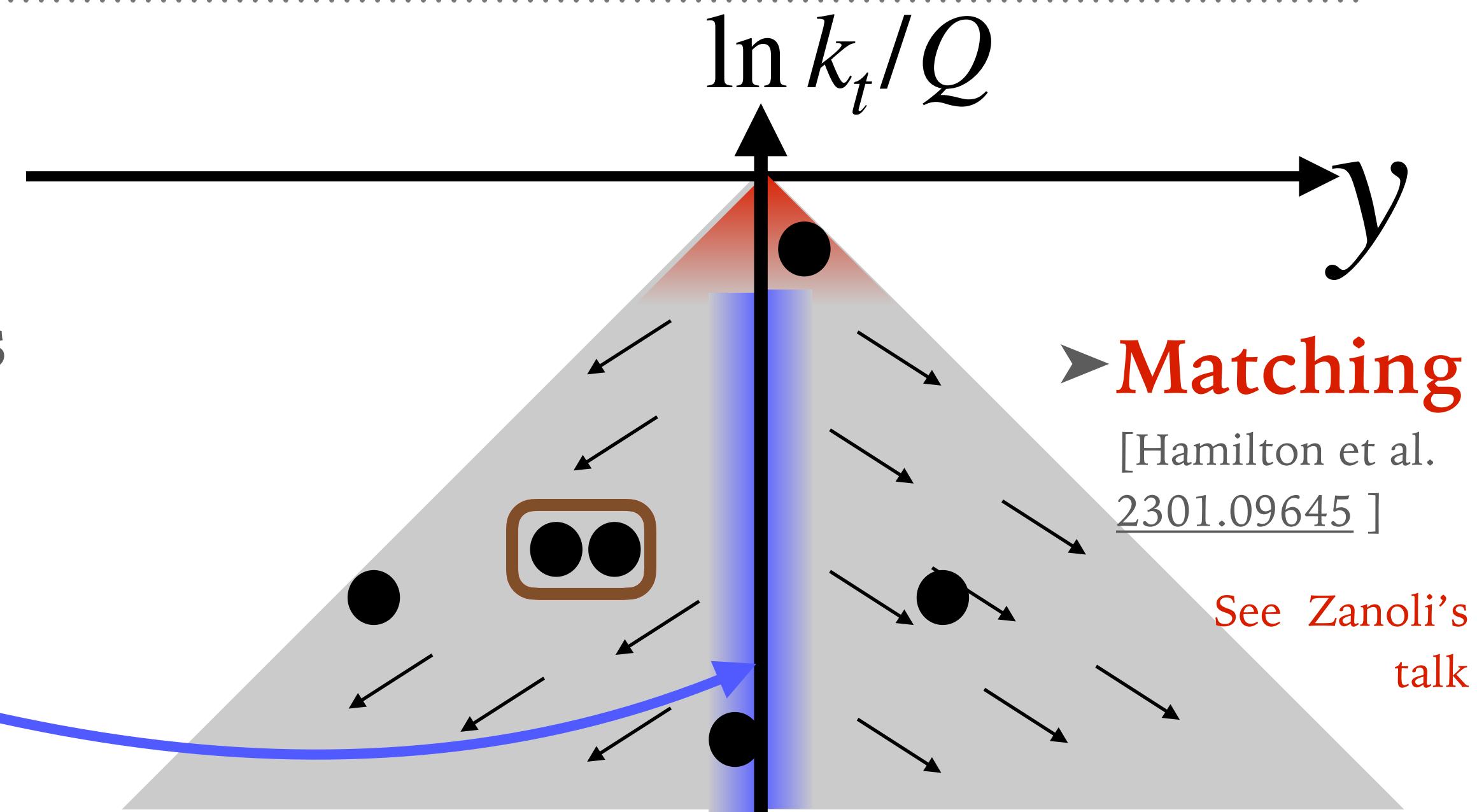
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Drift in rapidity of an emission when it further branches

$$\int 2C_F d\eta \Delta K_1(\eta) \propto \langle \Delta y \rangle$$

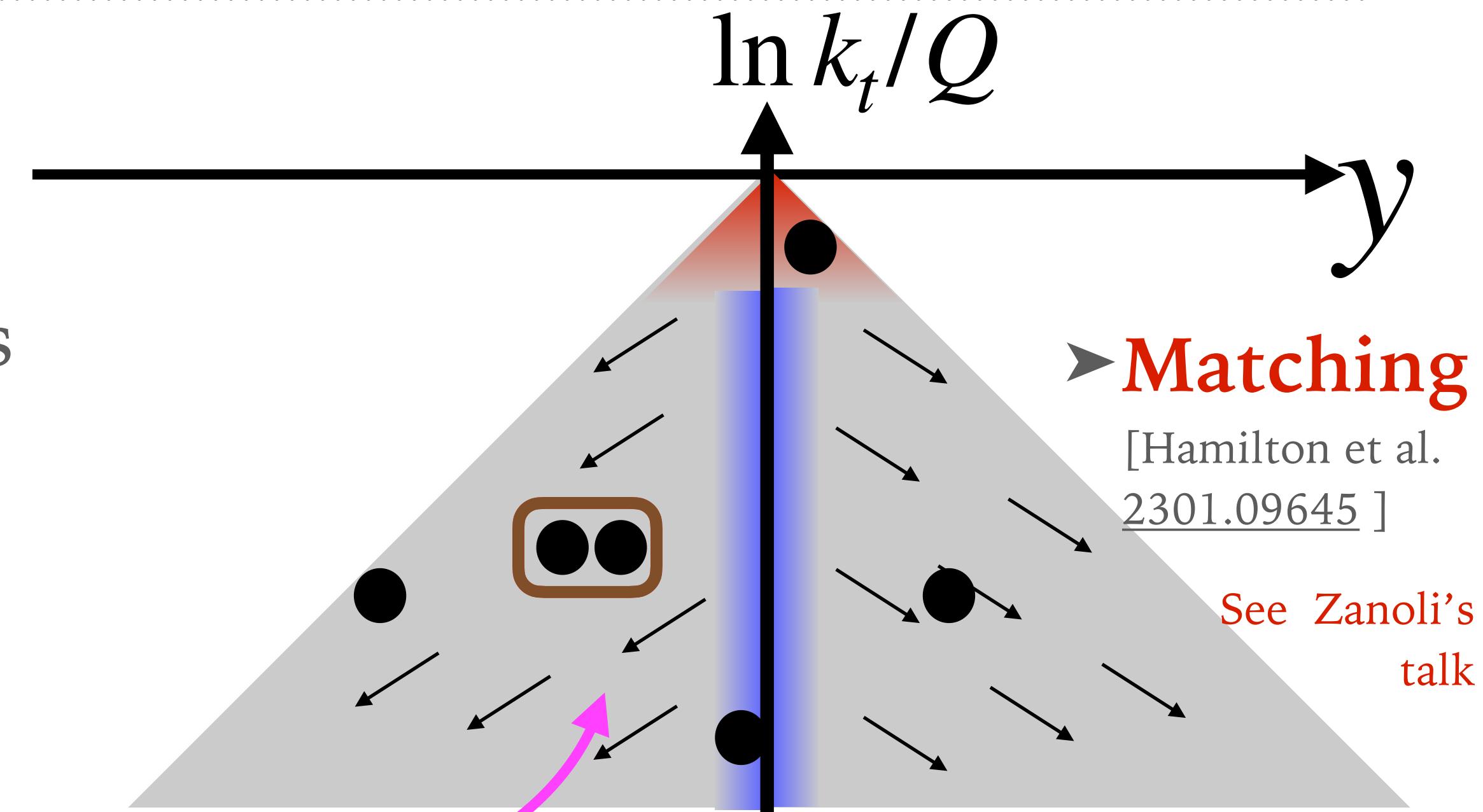
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Banfi, El-Menoufi,
Monni, 1807.11487



Drift in $\ln k_t$ of an emission when it further branches

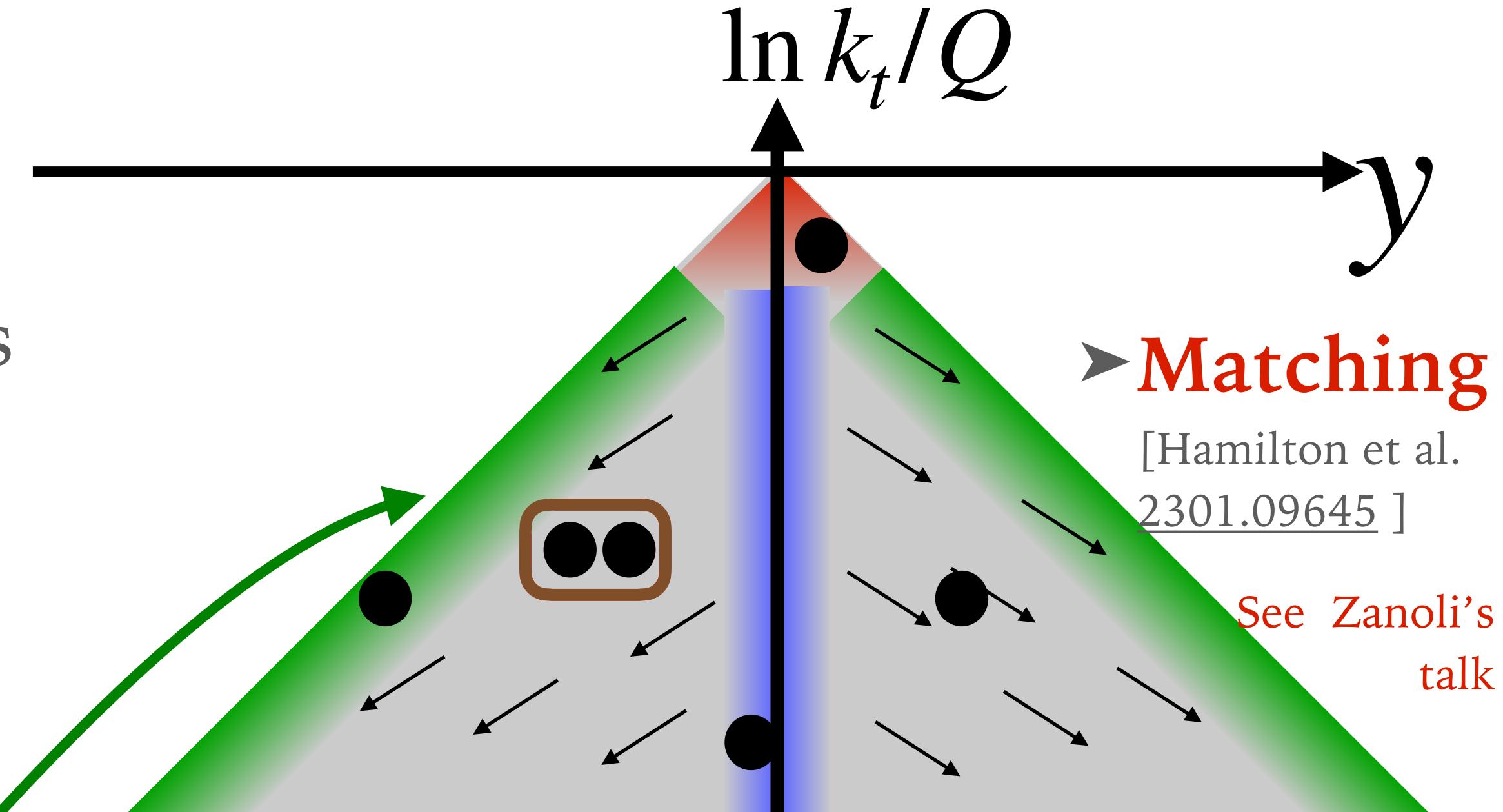
$$\Delta K_2 \propto \beta_0 \langle \Delta \ln k_t \rangle$$

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$$d\mathcal{P}_{\text{coll}} \propto P(z) \left(1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} (B_2(z) + \Delta B_2(z)) \right)$$

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Drift in $\ln z = \ln k_t + y$ of an emission when it further branches

$$\int P(z) dz \Delta B_2(z) \propto -\langle \Delta \ln z \rangle$$

At this accuracy, it is sufficient to get the integral right, not the functional form of $\Delta B_2(z)$

Building a NNLL shower

2 Double log “resummation” for

$\ln k/O$

A new standard for the logarithmic accuracy of parton showers

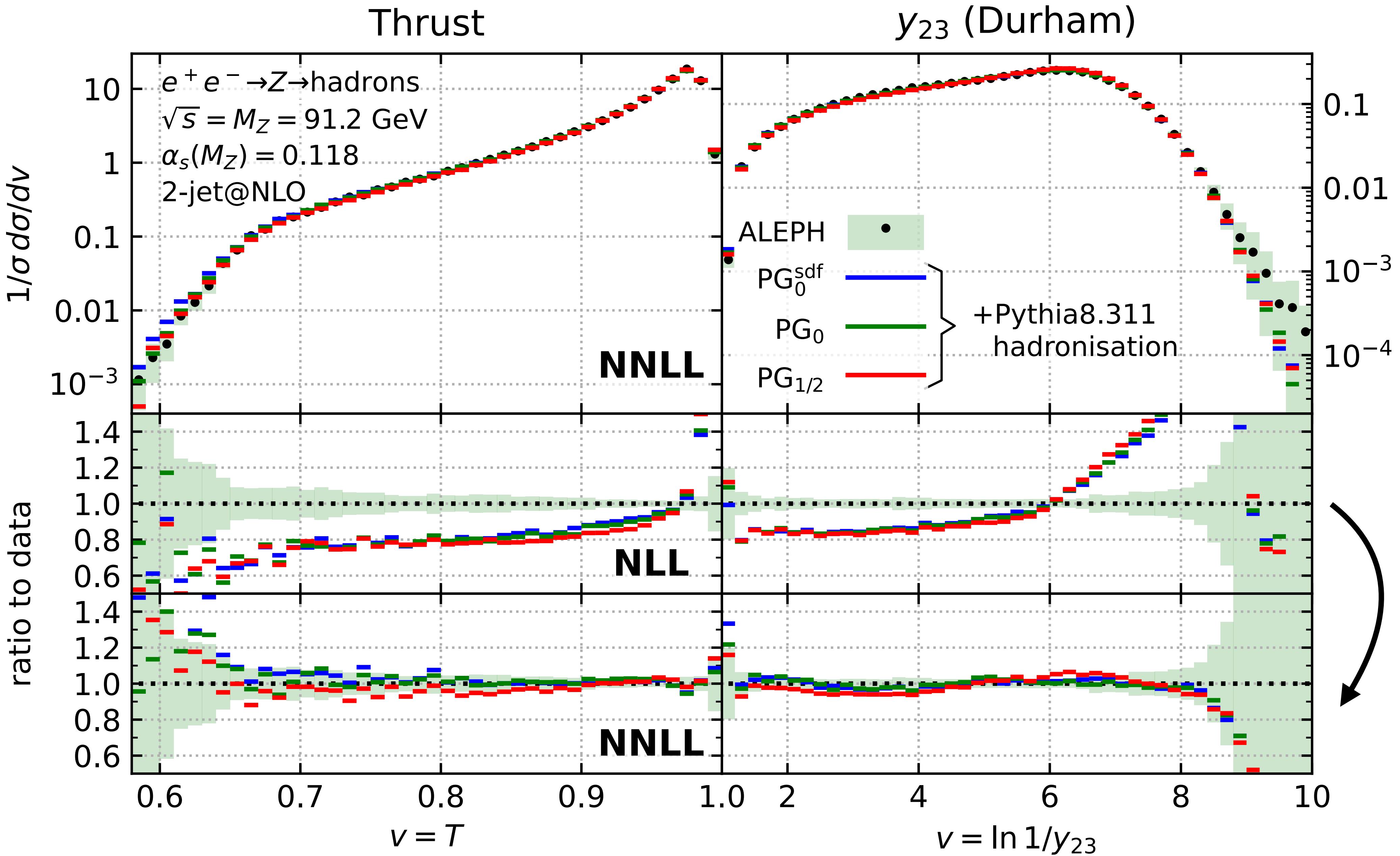
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NNLL showers vs NLL showers: pheno outlook



*The PanScales
collaboration,
2406.02661*

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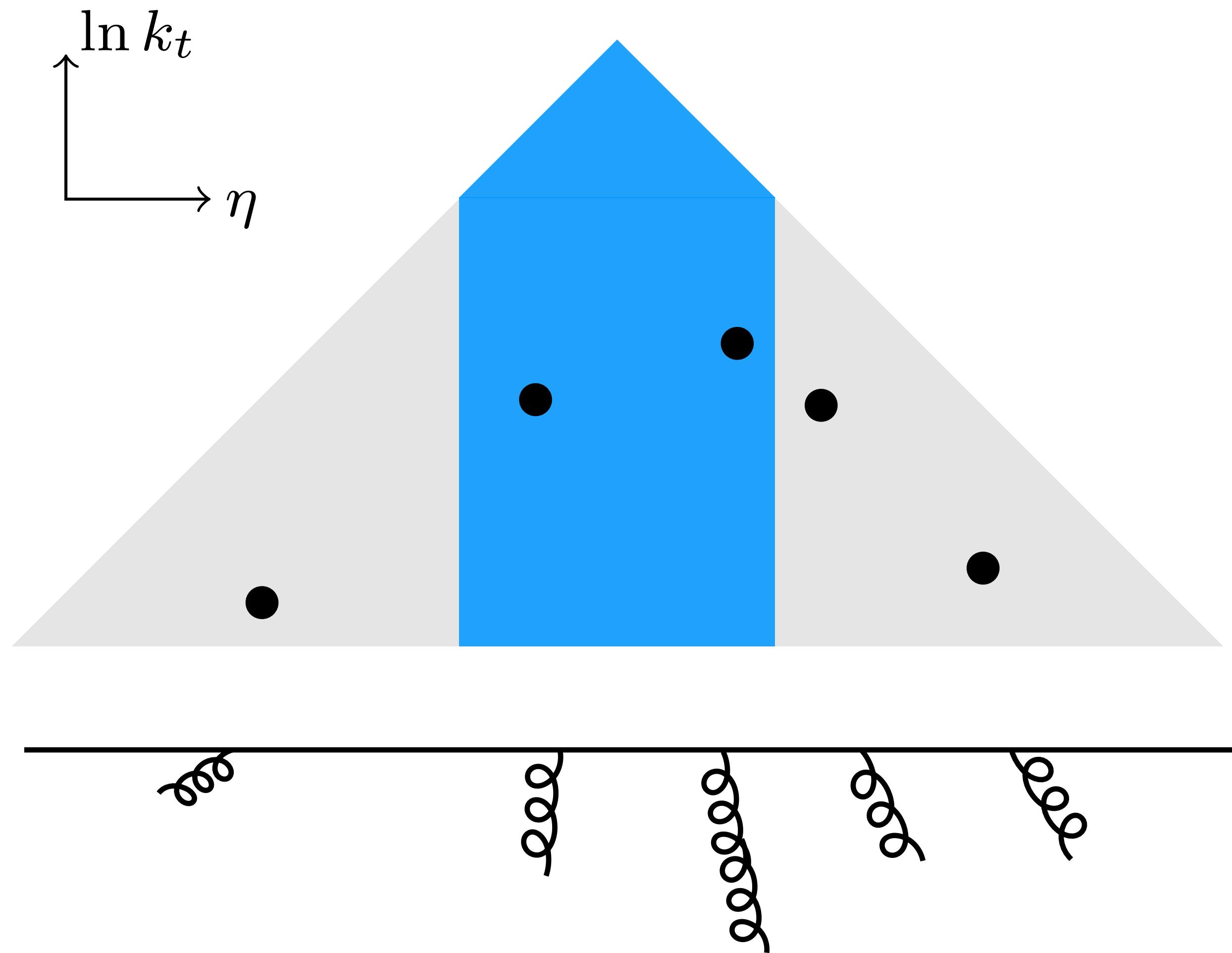
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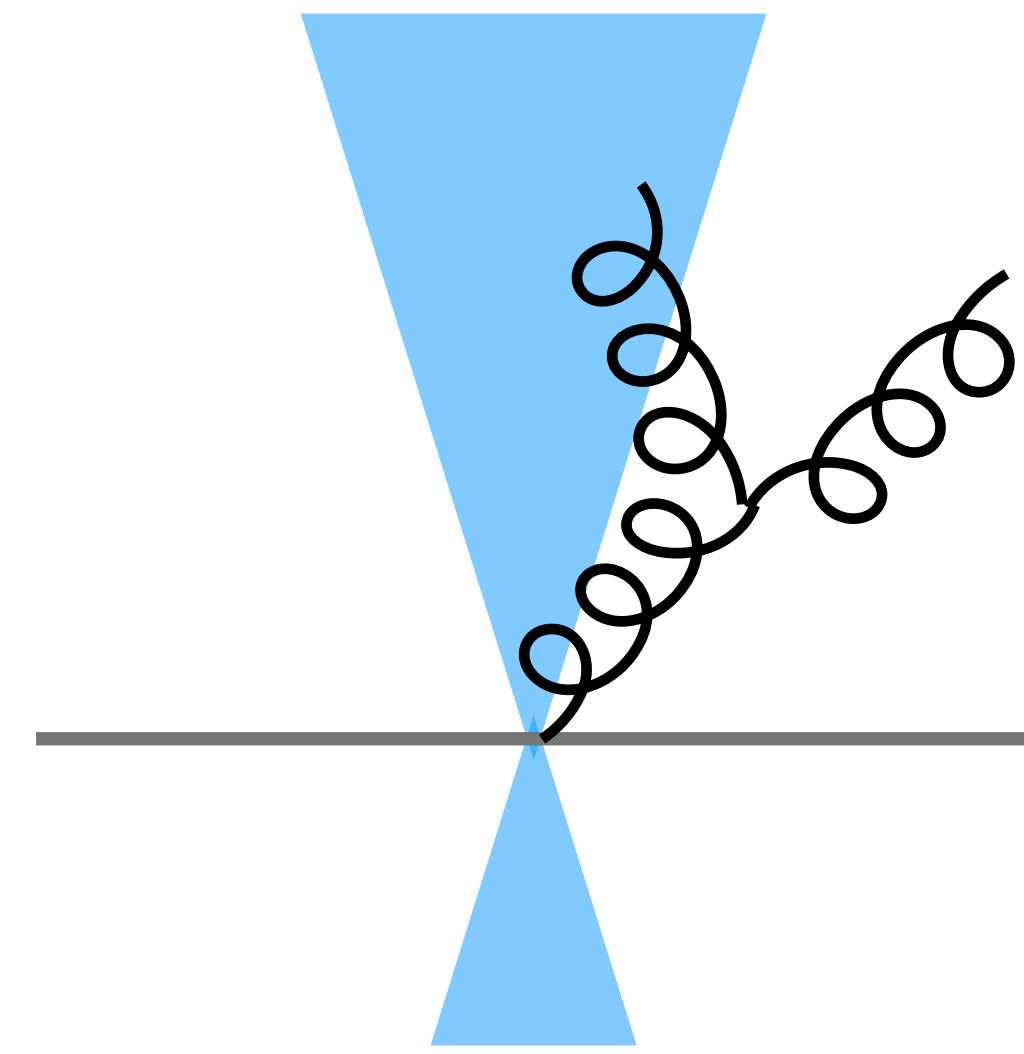
Current matching schemes
typically preserve at best the LL...
See more in S. Zanoli's talk!!

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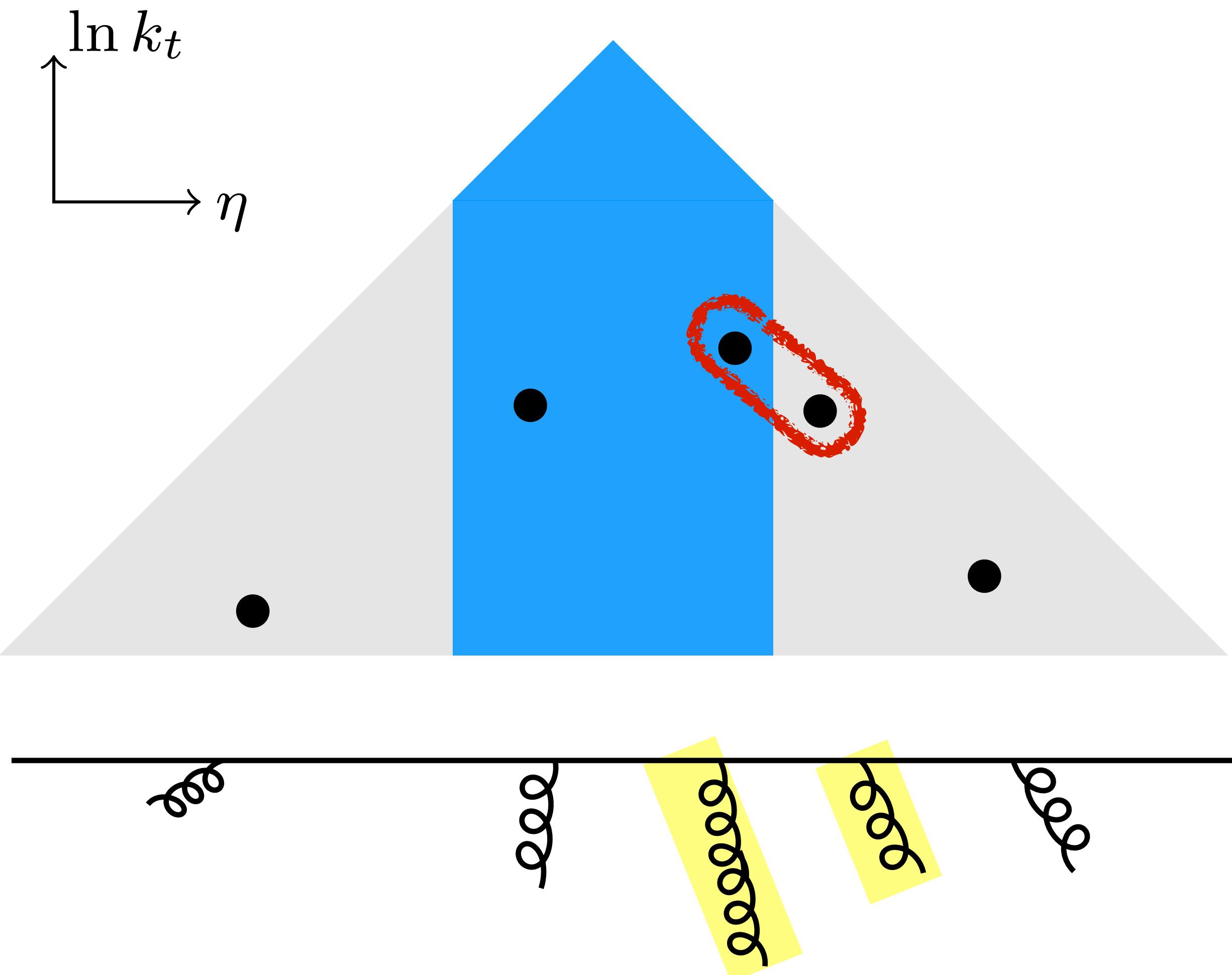
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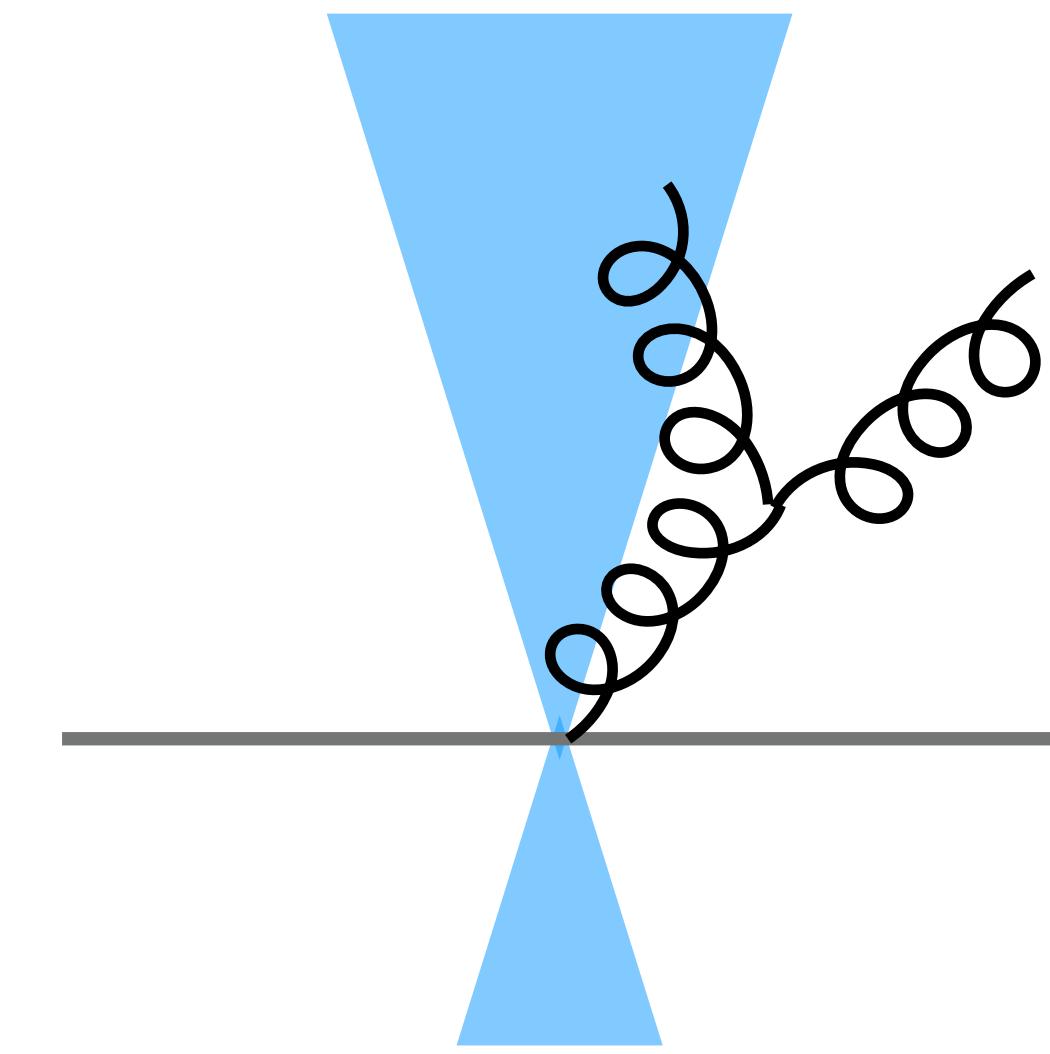
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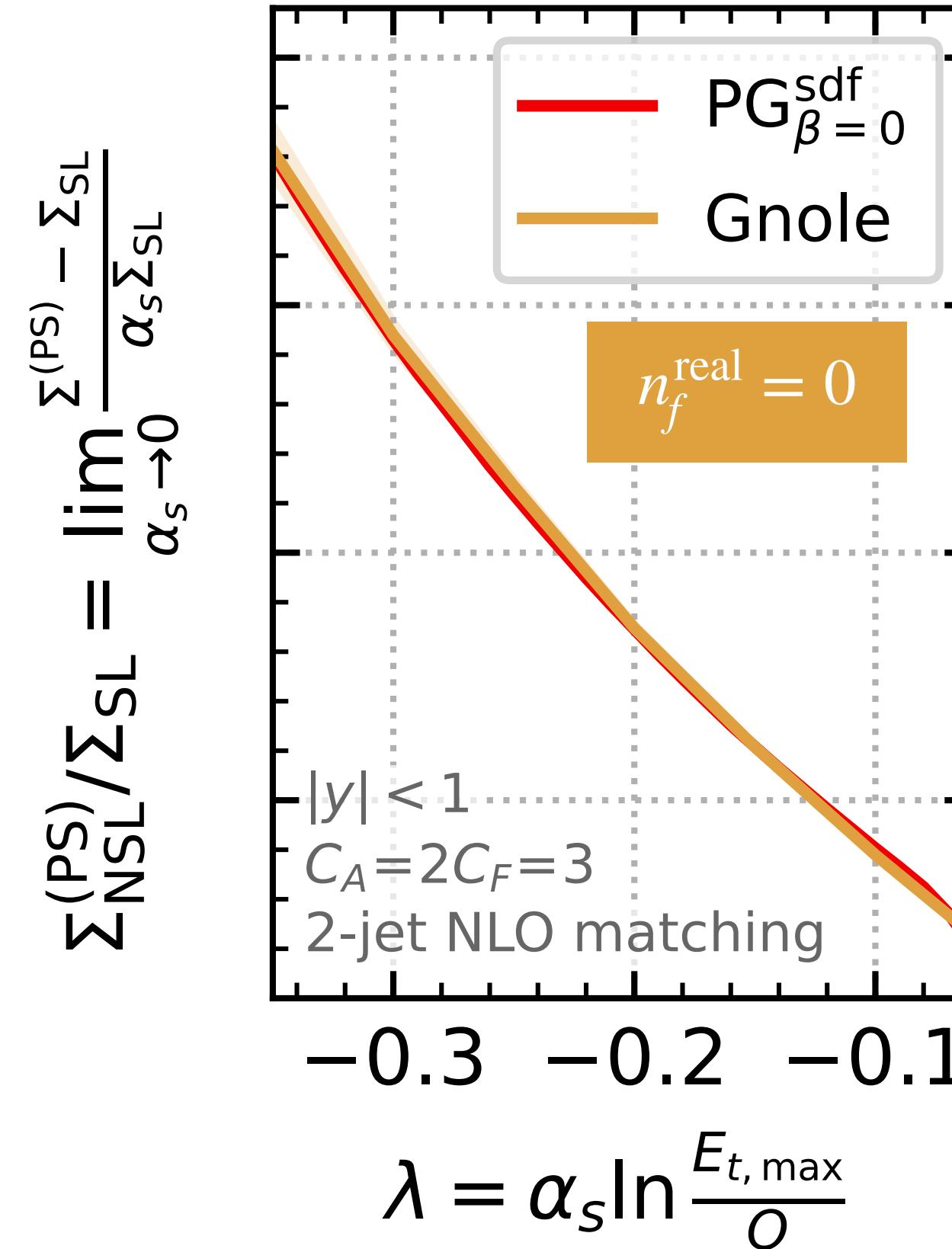


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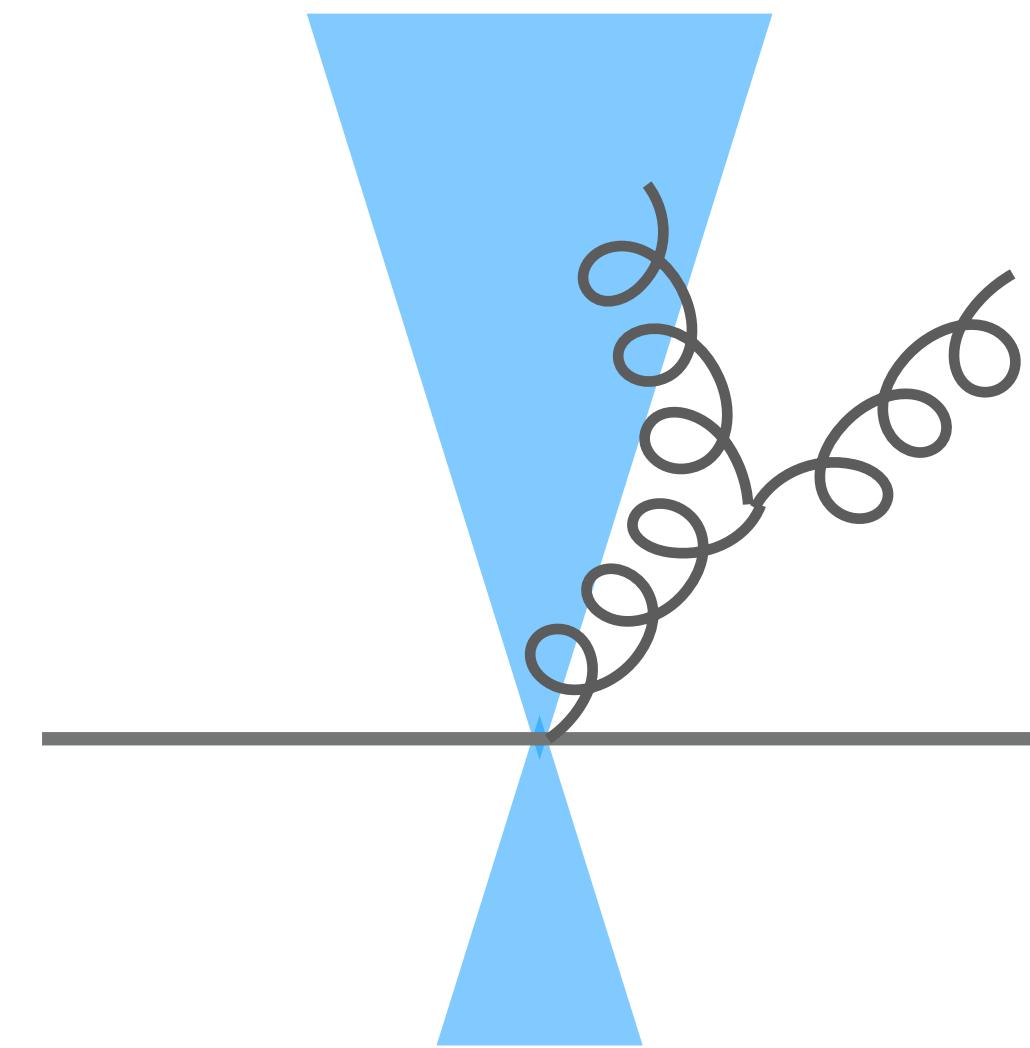


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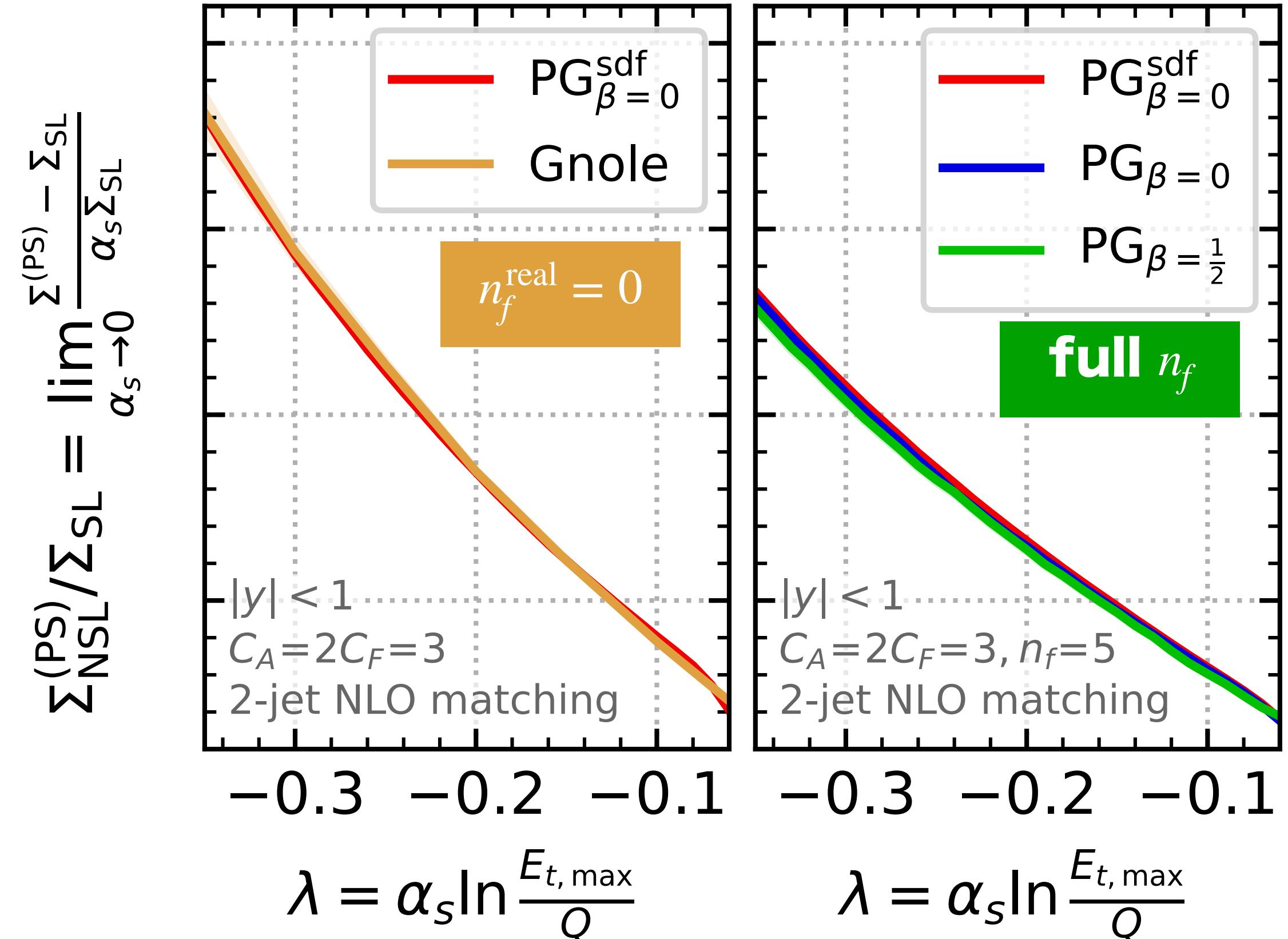
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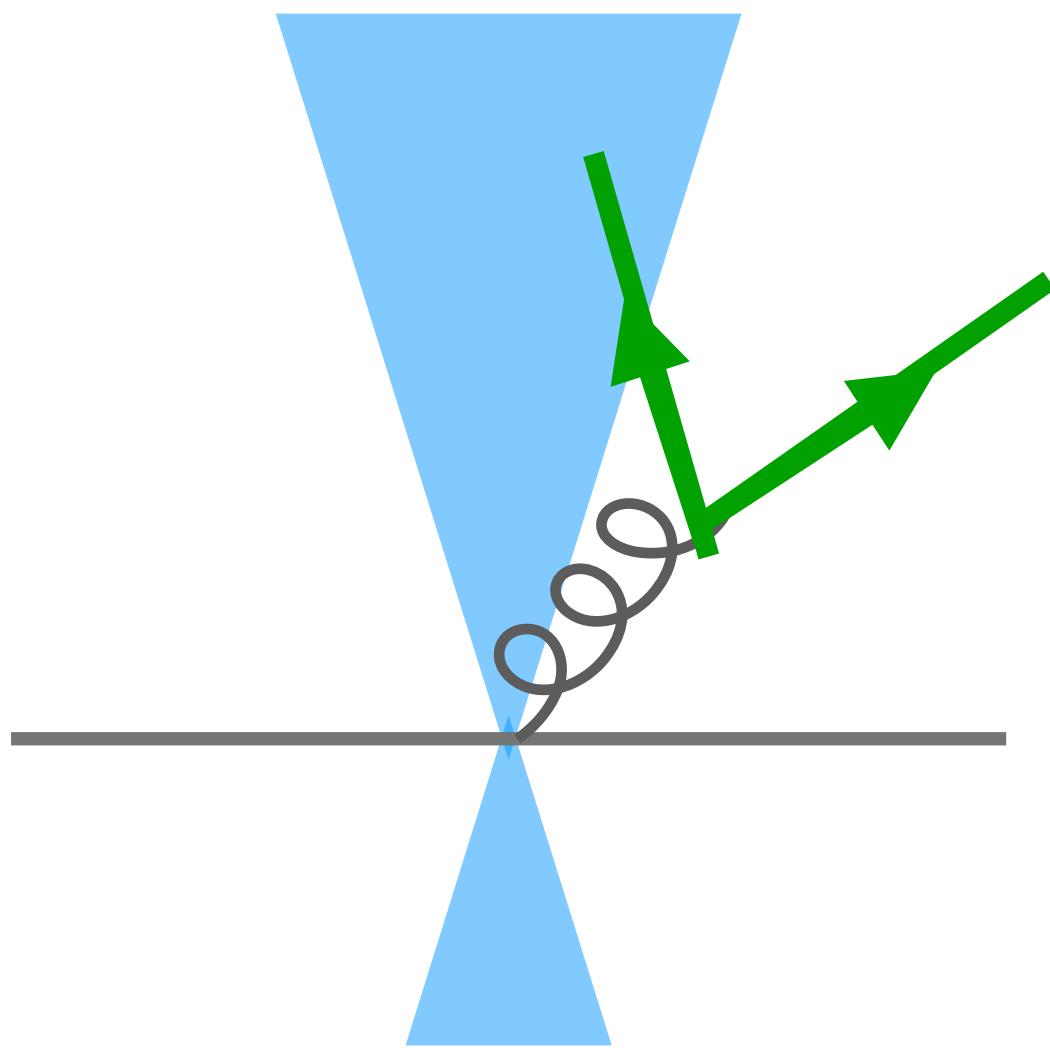
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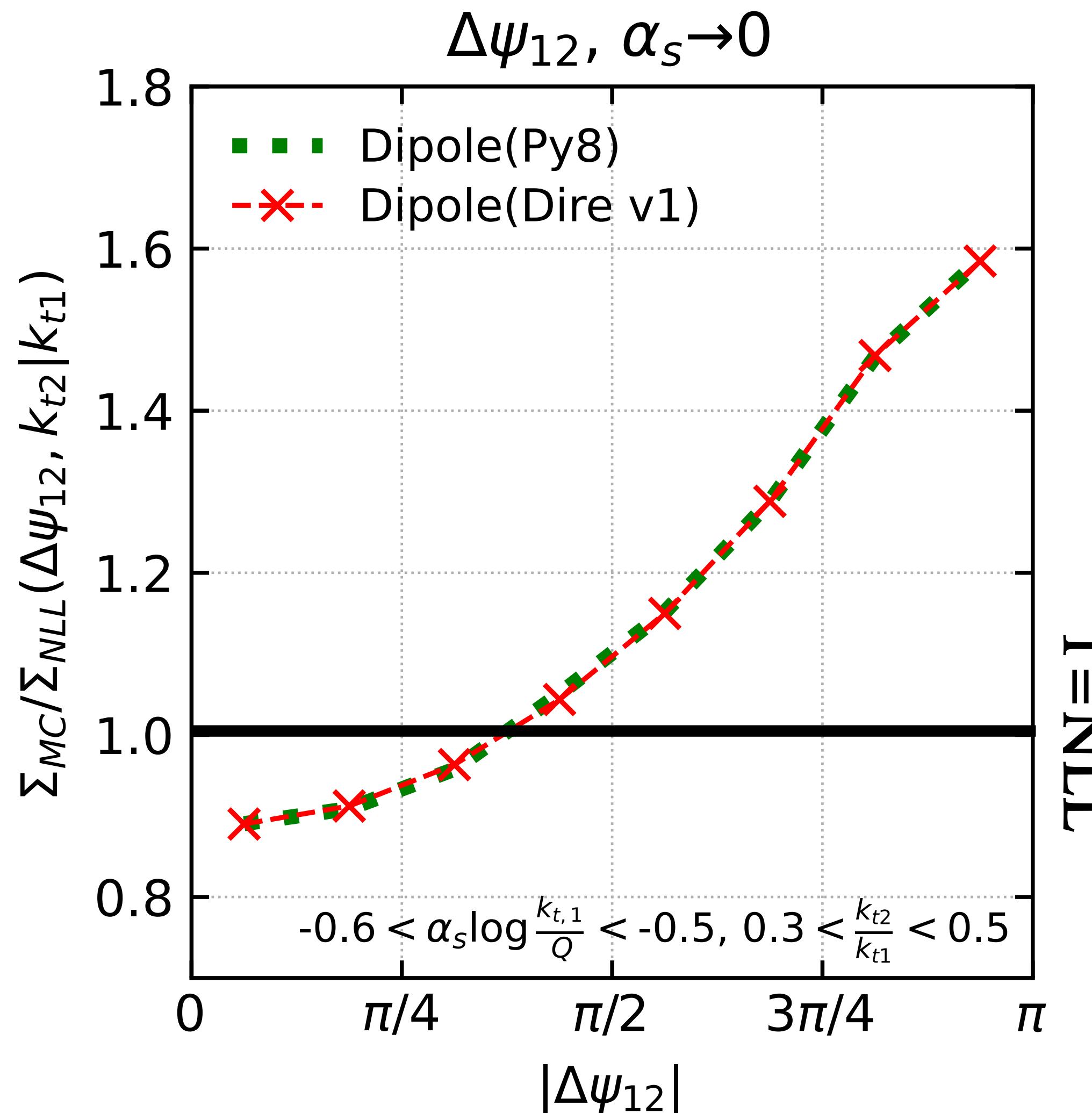
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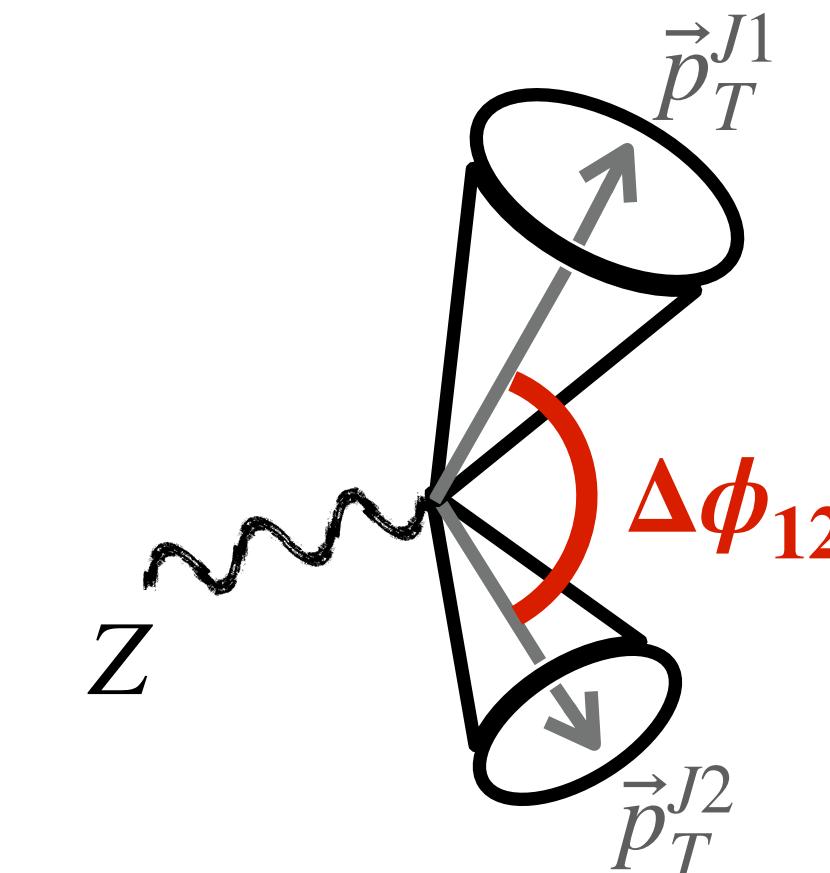
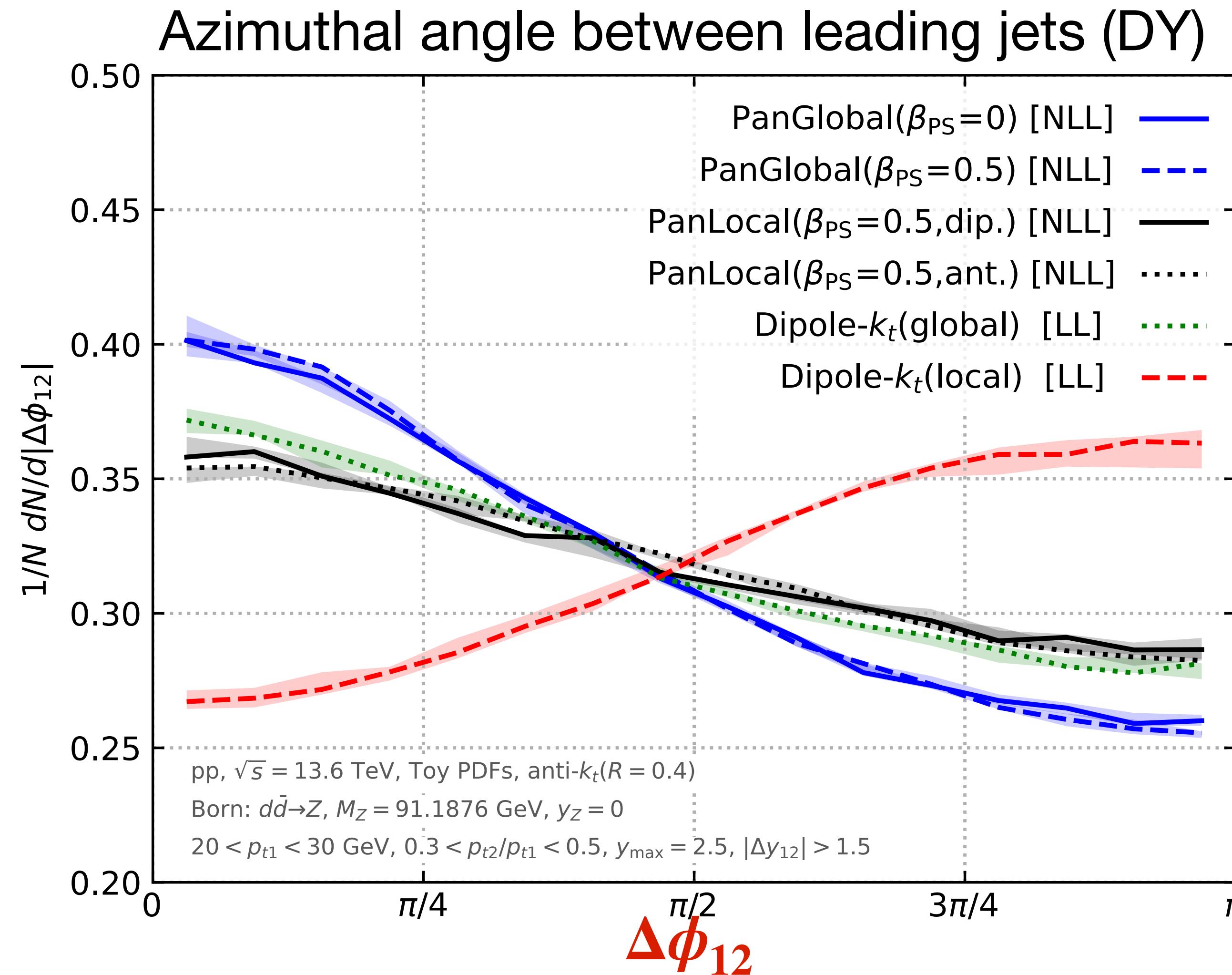
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Exploratory phenomenology for Drell-Yan at the LHC

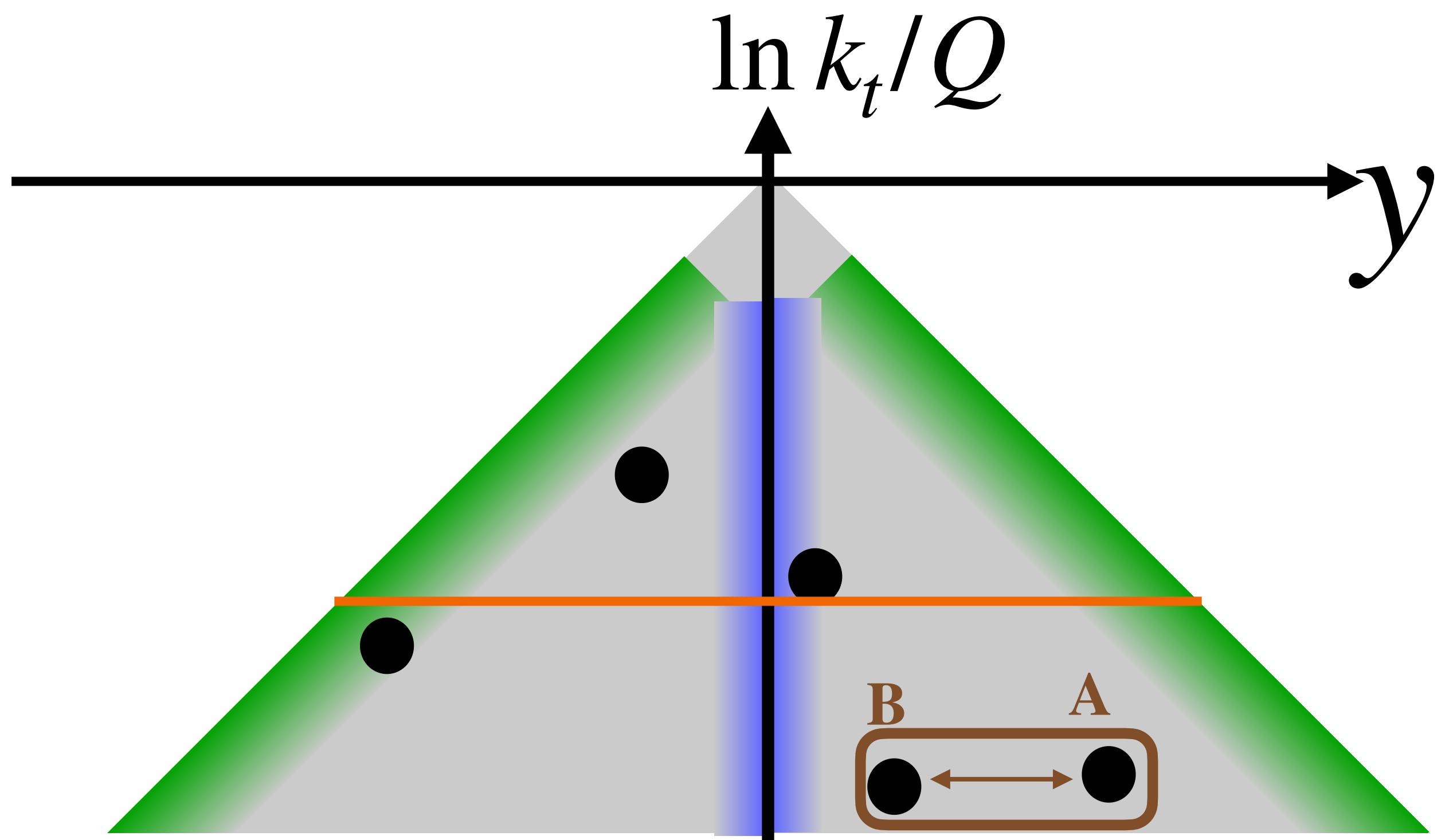
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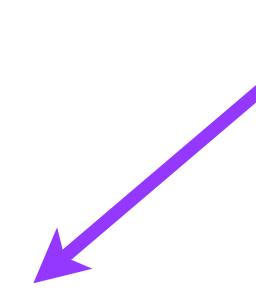
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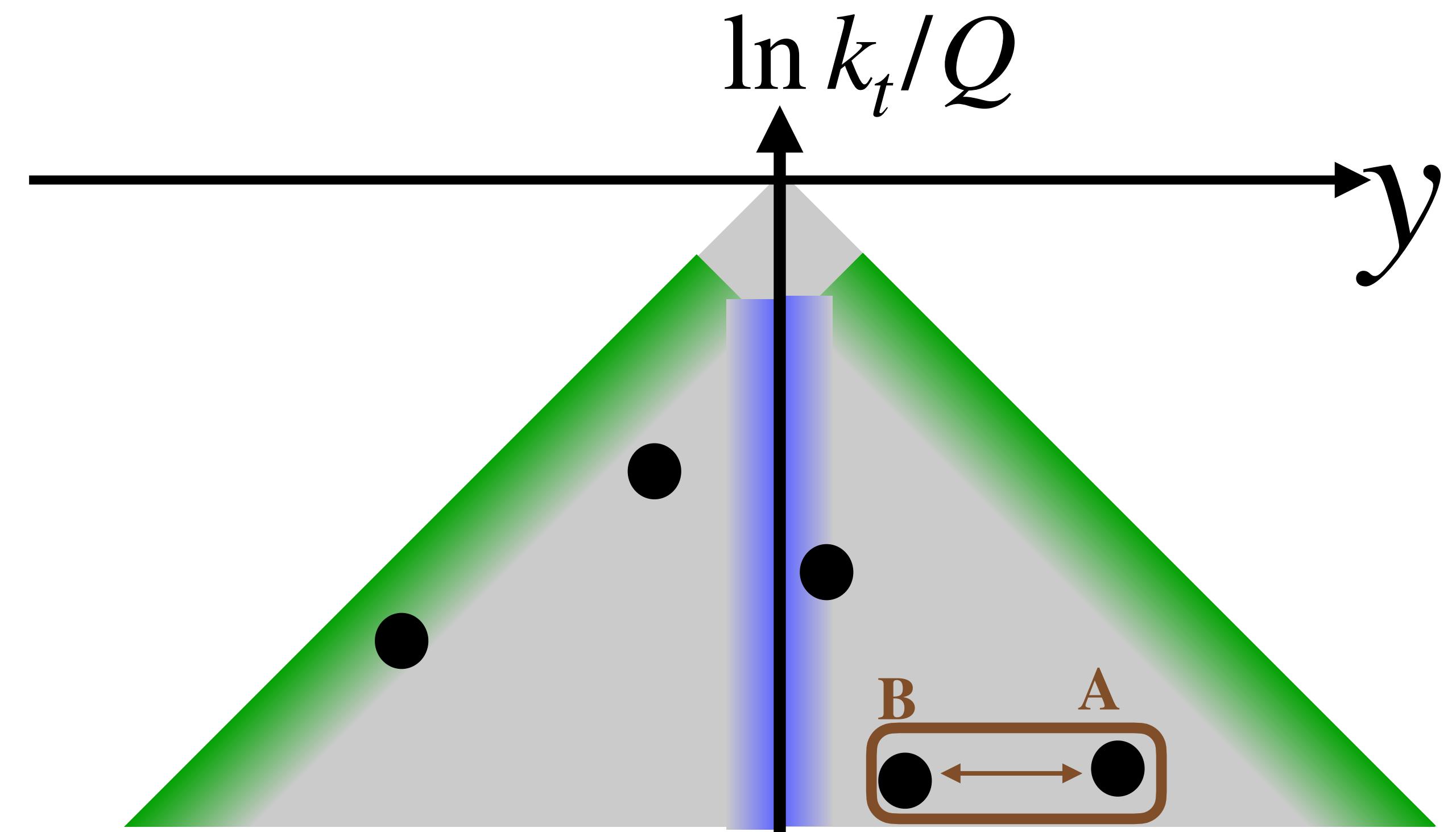
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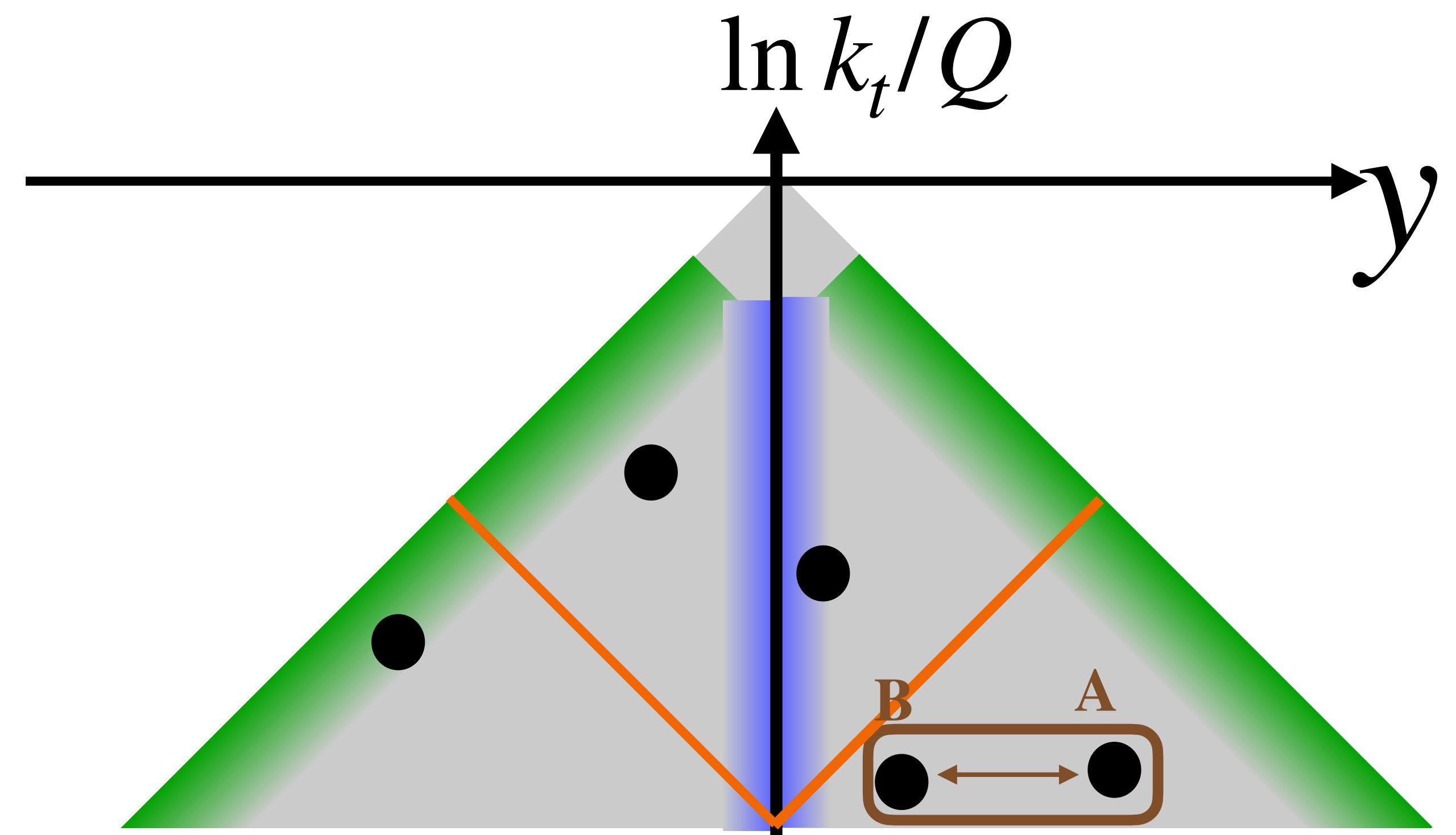
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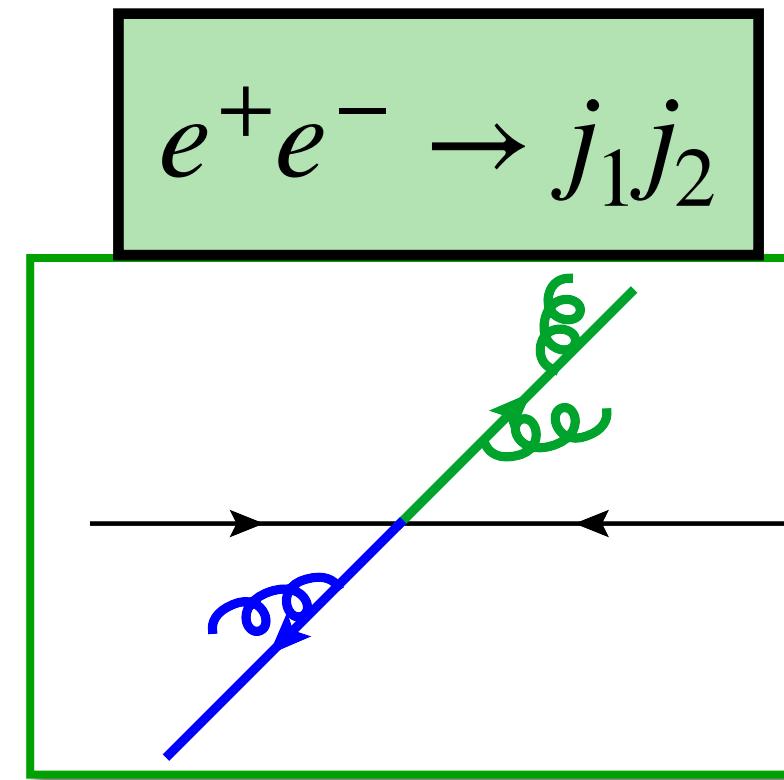
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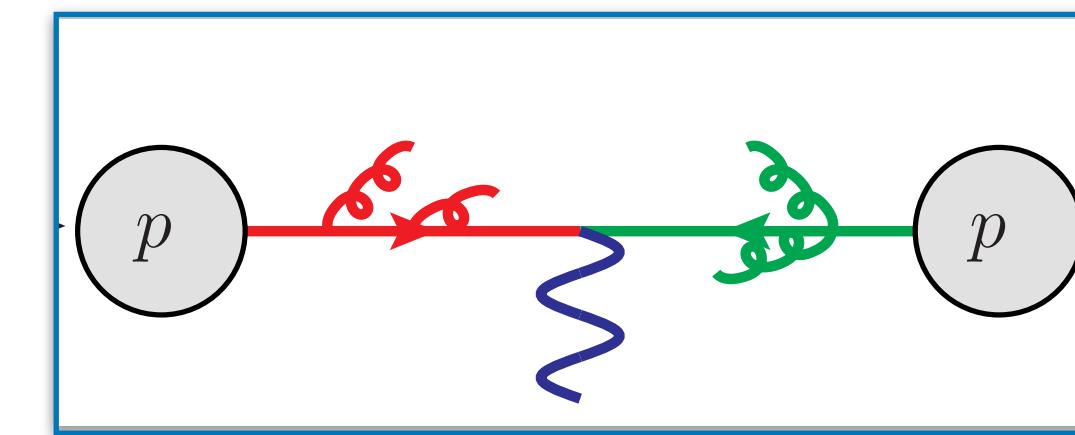
Status of NLL PanScales showers

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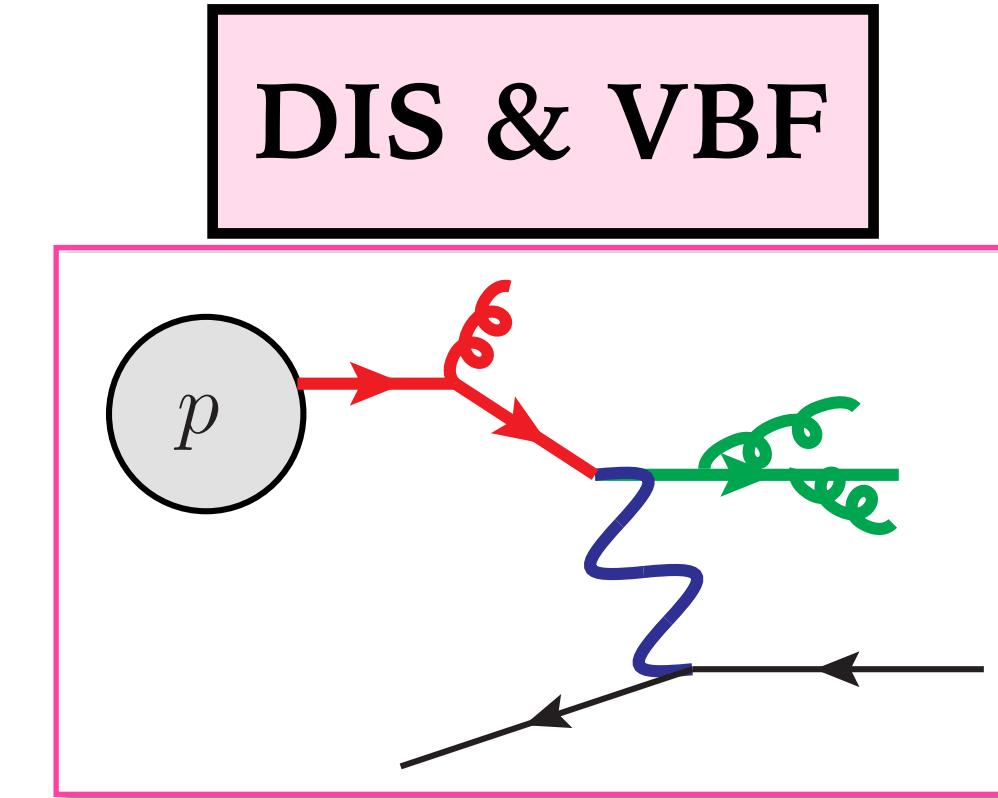


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$pp \rightarrow \text{colour singlet}$



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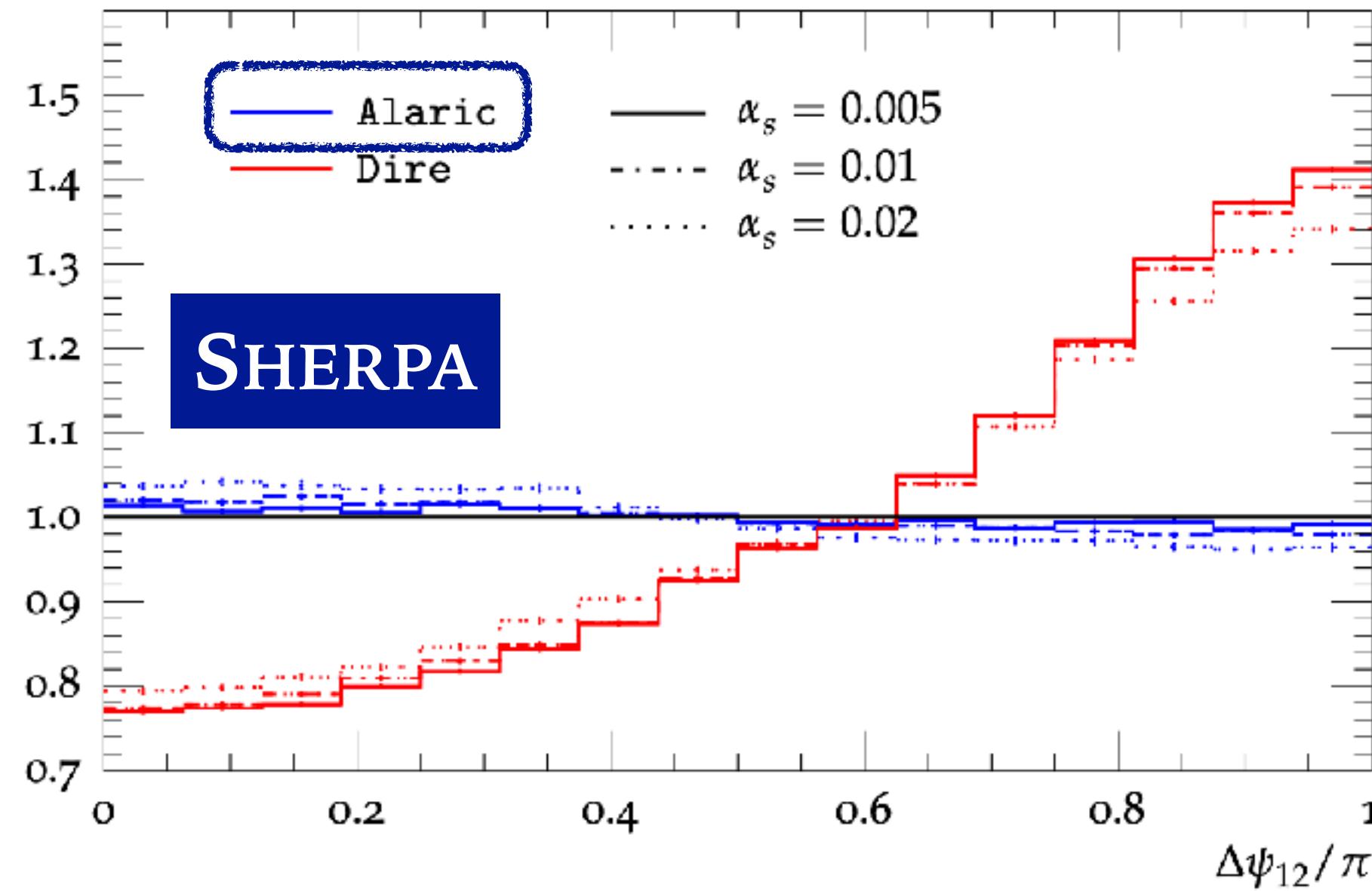
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...with **subleading colour** (2011.10054) and
spin correlations (2103.16526, 2111.01161)

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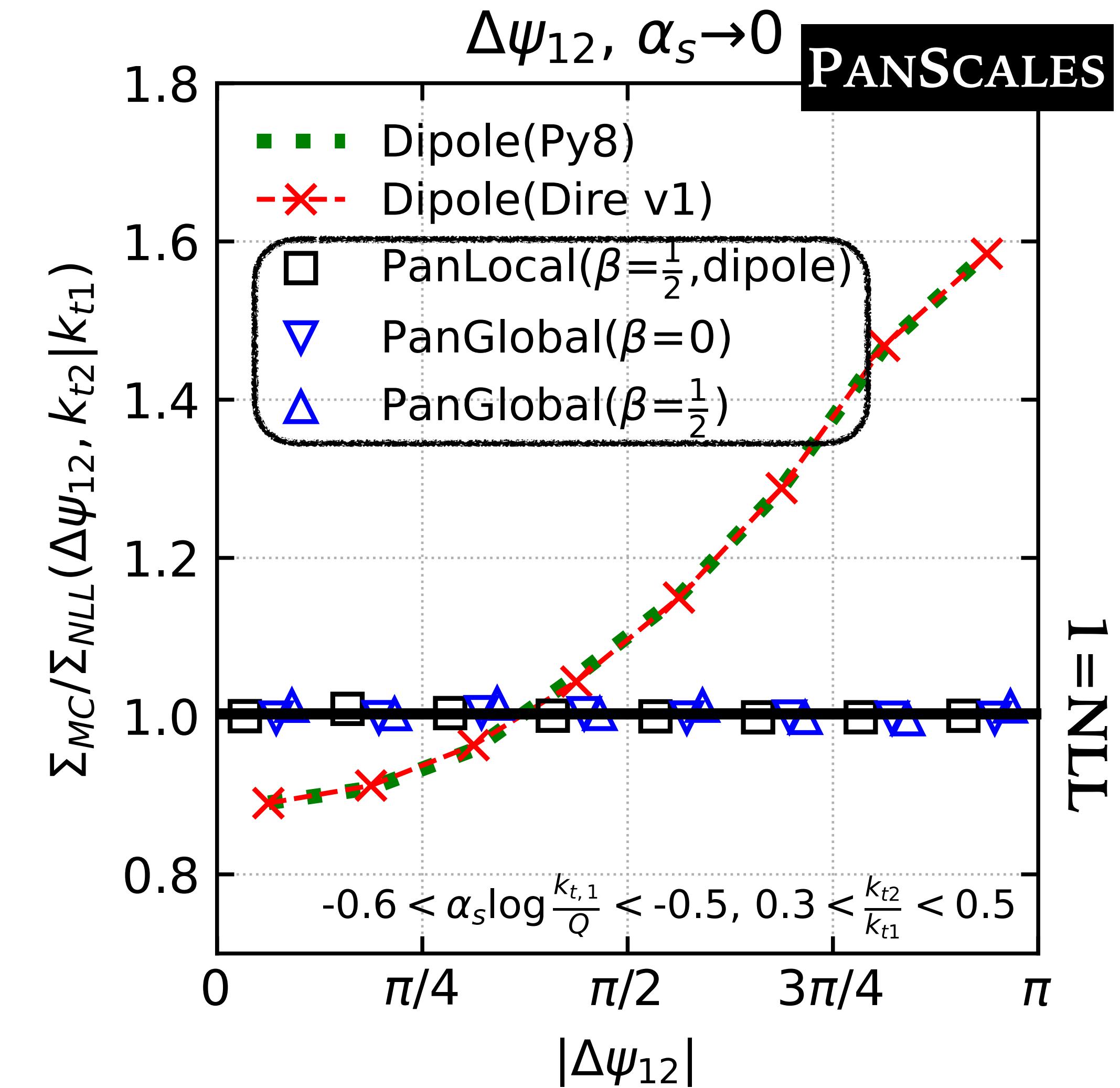
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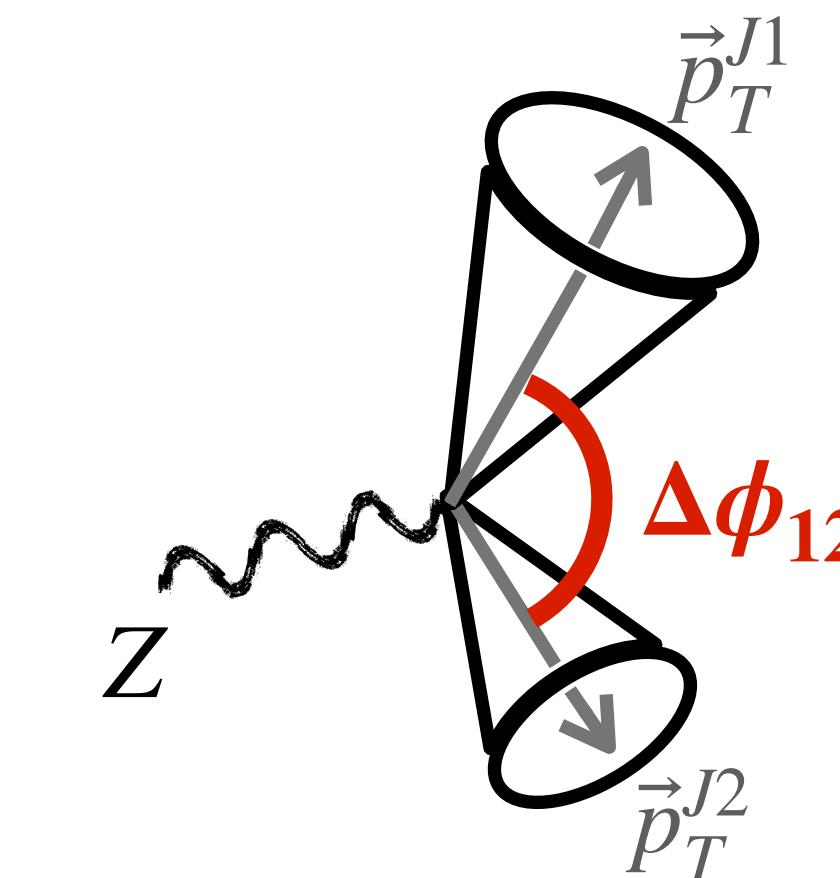
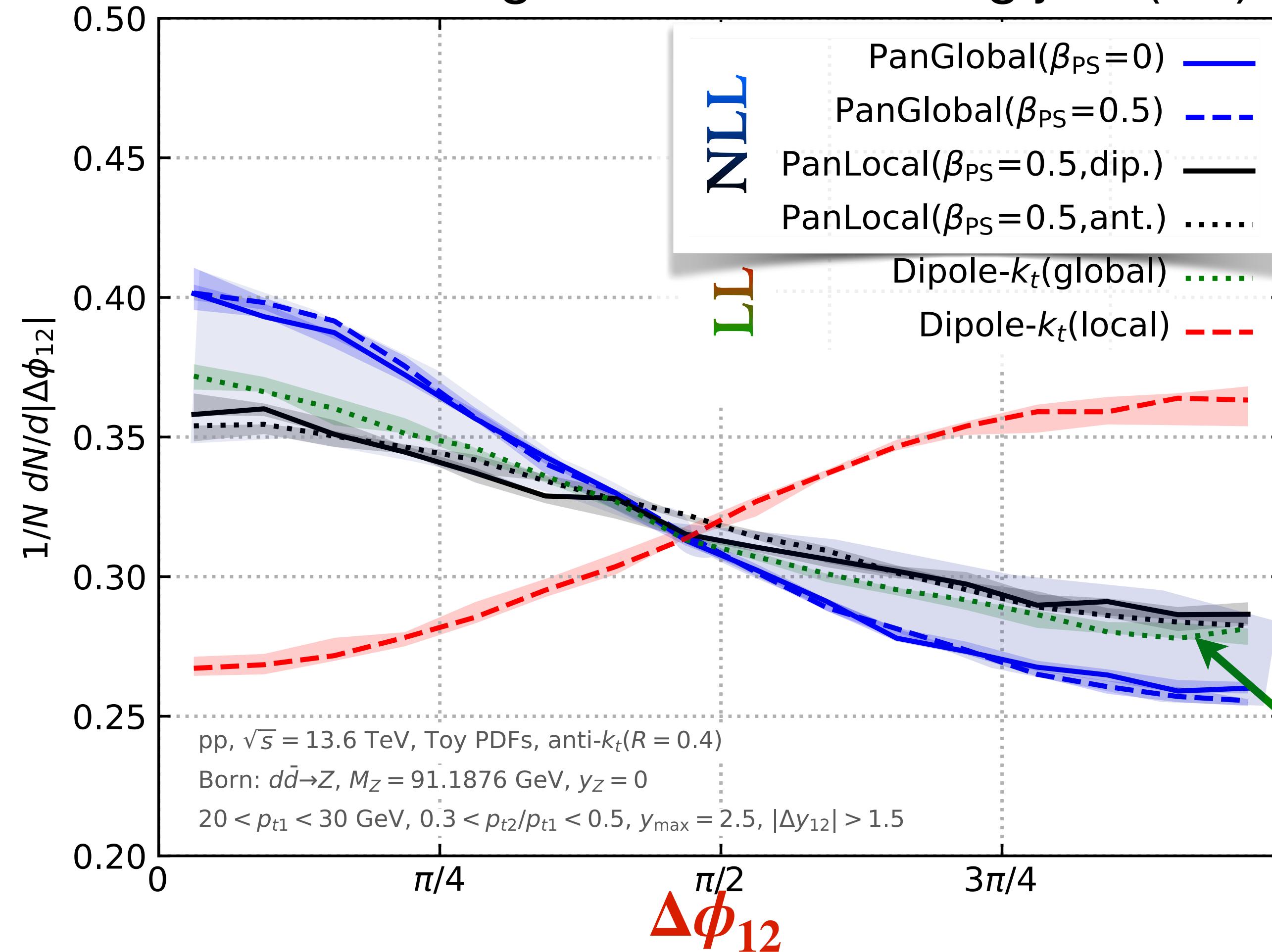
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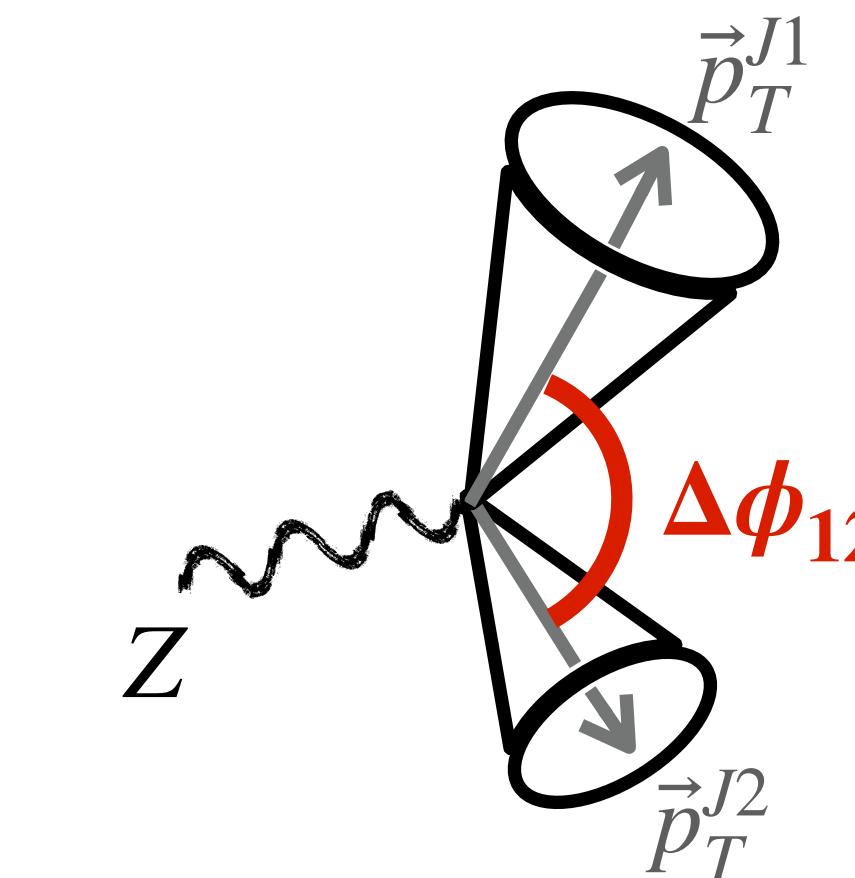
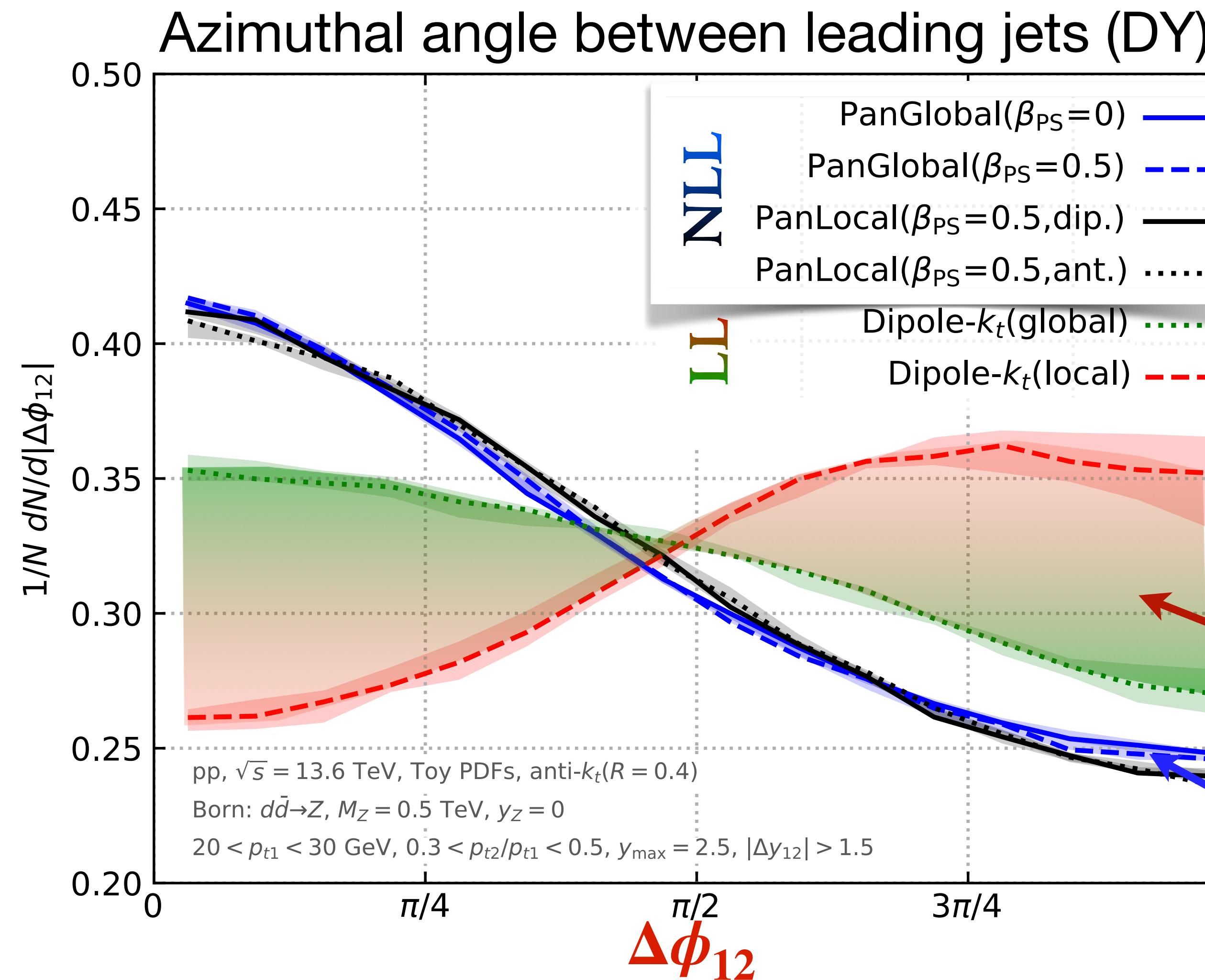


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This LL shower
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Exploratory phenomenology for high-mass Drell-Yan at the LHC

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