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PRECISION PHYSICS AT COLLIDERS

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Outline

- The group
- Precision physics at LHC
- Precision flavour physics

The group



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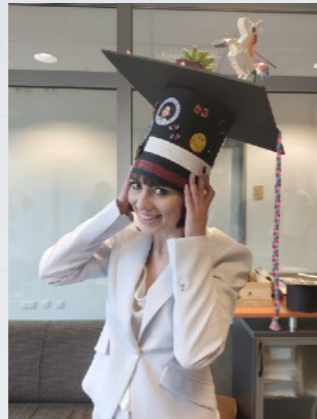
Physics

- Calculation of **multi-loop virtual amplitudes**
- **Factorisation** of QCD amplitudes and cross sections in the **infrared**, structure of **infrared anomalous dimensions** at high orders, **resummation** of large logarithms (**threshold**, p_T , ...)
for LHC observables
- **Subtraction** of **infrared divergences** for general collider observables at **NNLO**
- **Production** and decay of **vector bosons** at LHC
- **Codes** for phenomenology: **Phantom** - **Recola** - **MadGraph5_aMC@NLO**
- Precision determination of the **CKM elements**, **the V_{cb} puzzle**
- Studies of the **flavour anomalies** ($b \rightarrow c\tau\nu$ and $b \rightarrow s\ell^+\ell^-$) and **EDMs**
- **Inclusive semileptonic decays on the lattice**

Loop amplitudes and precision QCD



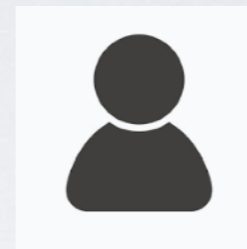
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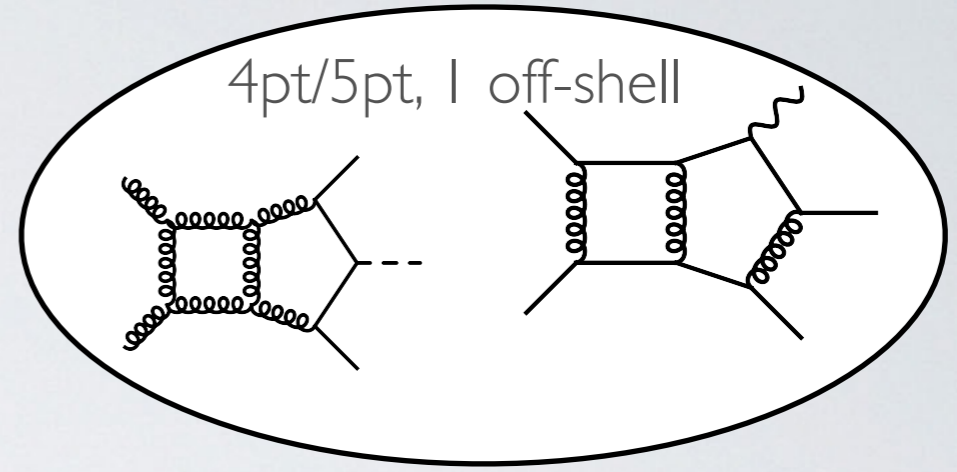
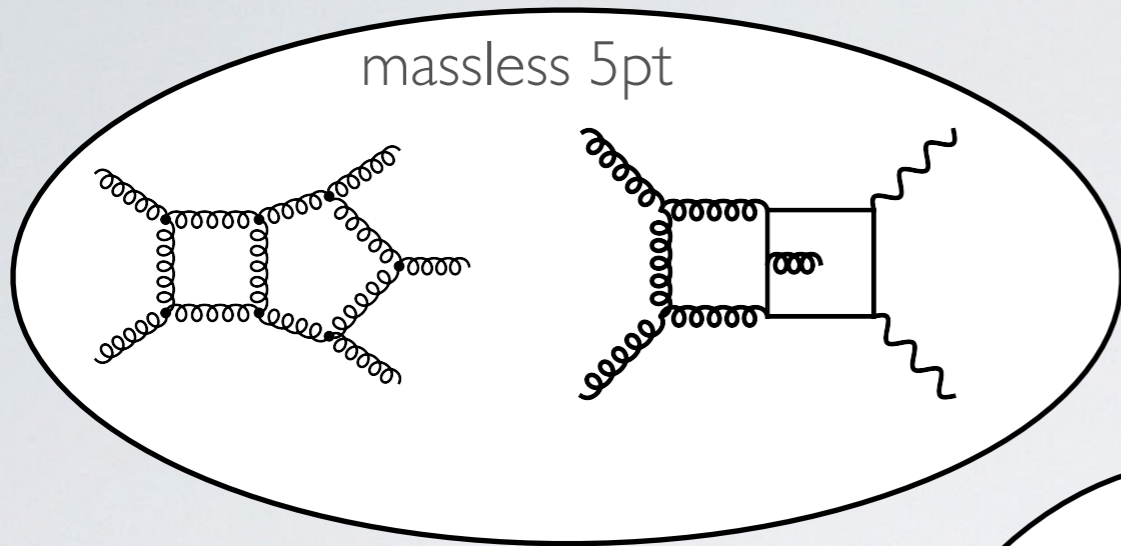
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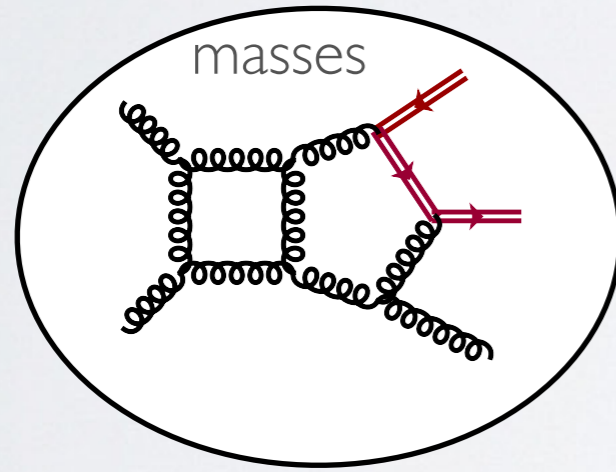
analytic structure, loop methods
and perturbative gravity

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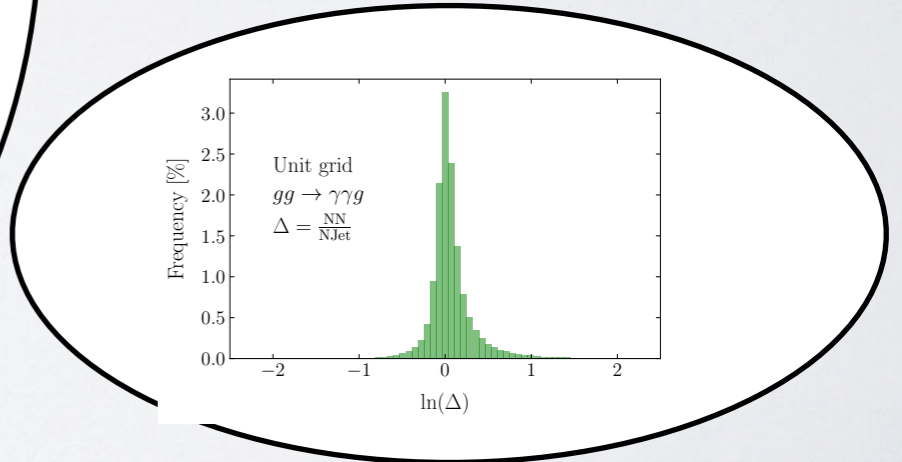
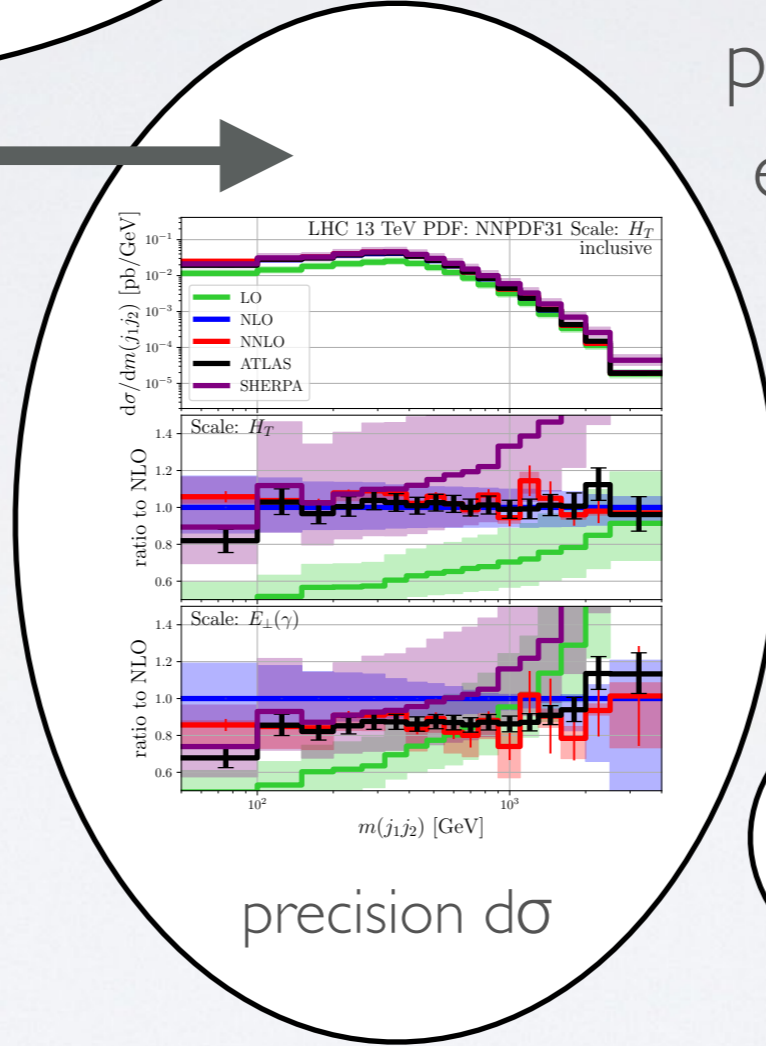


$pp \rightarrow \gamma + 2j$
 JHEP 10 (2023) 071

$pp \rightarrow W\gamma j$ JHEP 05 (2022) 035
 $e\mu \rightarrow e\mu j$ JHEP 11 (2023) 041



towards $pp \rightarrow ttj$
 JHEP 06 (2022) 066
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optimising simulations with NN
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Scattering Amplitudes in Quantum Field Theory

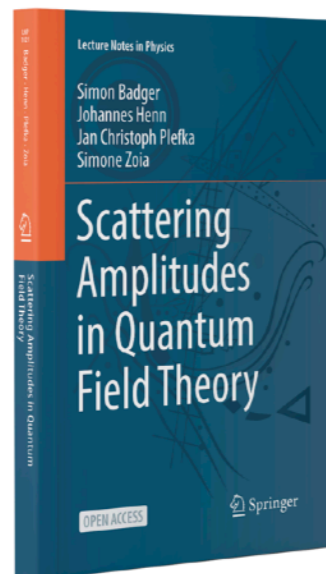
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These lecture notes bridge a gap between introductory quantum field theory (QFT) courses and state-of-the-art research in scattering amplitudes. They cover the path from basic definitions of QFT to amplitudes relevant for processes in the Standard Model of particle physics. The book begins with a concise yet self-contained introduction into QFT, including perturbative quantum gravity. It then presents modern methods for calculating scattering amplitudes, focusing on tree-level amplitudes, loop-level integrands and loop integration techniques. These methods help reveal intriguing relations between gauge and gravity amplitudes, and are of increasing importance for obtaining high-precision predictions for collider experiments, such as those at CERN's Large Hadron Collider, as well as for foundational mathematical physics studies in QFT, including recent applications to gravitational wave physics.

These course-tested lecture notes include numerous exercises with detailed solutions. Requiring only minimal knowledge of QFT, they are well-suited for MSc and PhD students as a preparation for research projects in theoretical particle physics. They can be used as a one-semester graduate level course, or as a self-study guide for researchers interested in fundamental aspects of QFT.

Open Access Lecture Notes

<https://arxiv.org/abs/2306.05976>

in print soon... (Jan '24)

THE SUBTRACTION PROBLEM



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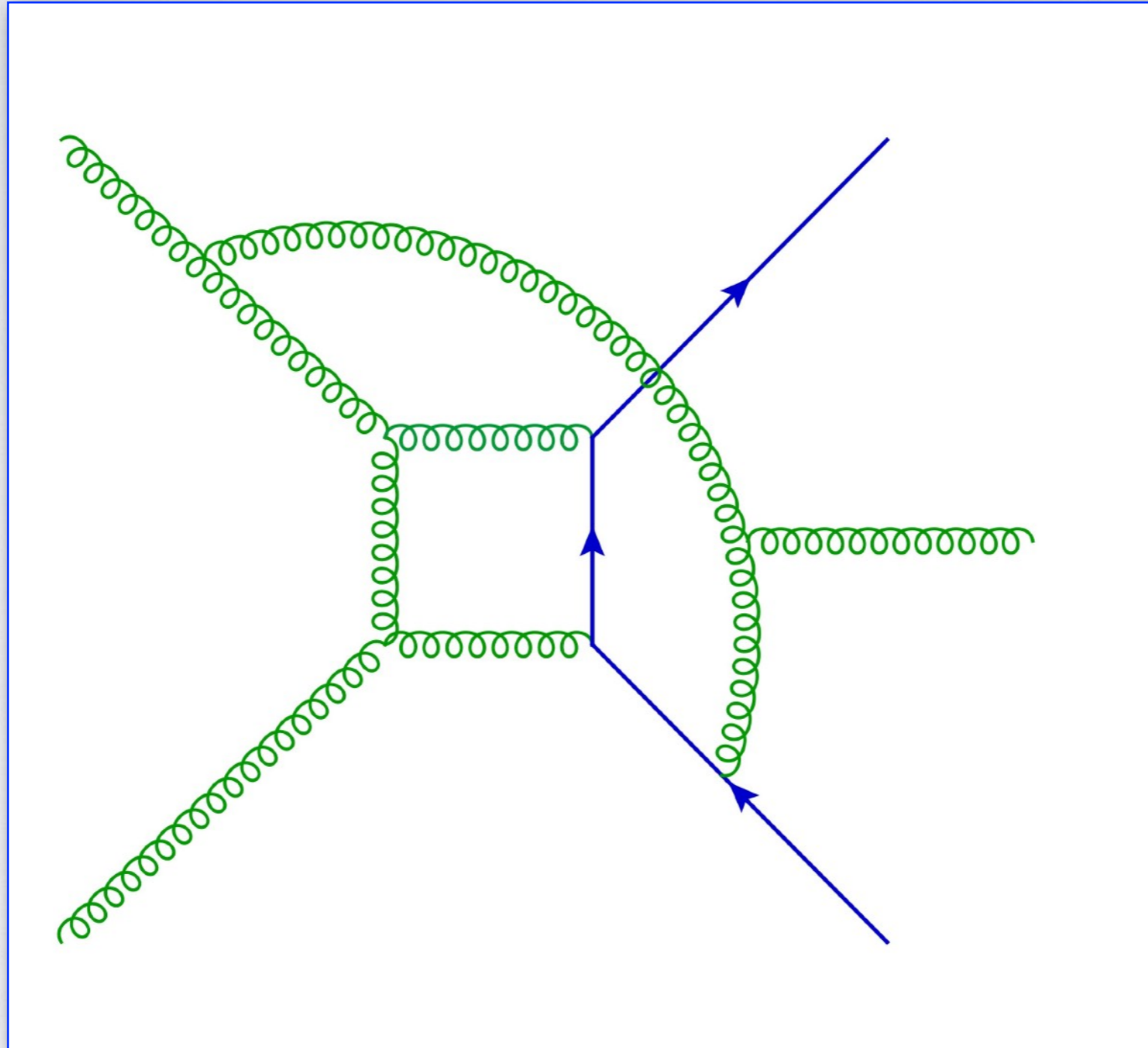
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NNLO subtraction for any massless final state: a complete analytic expression

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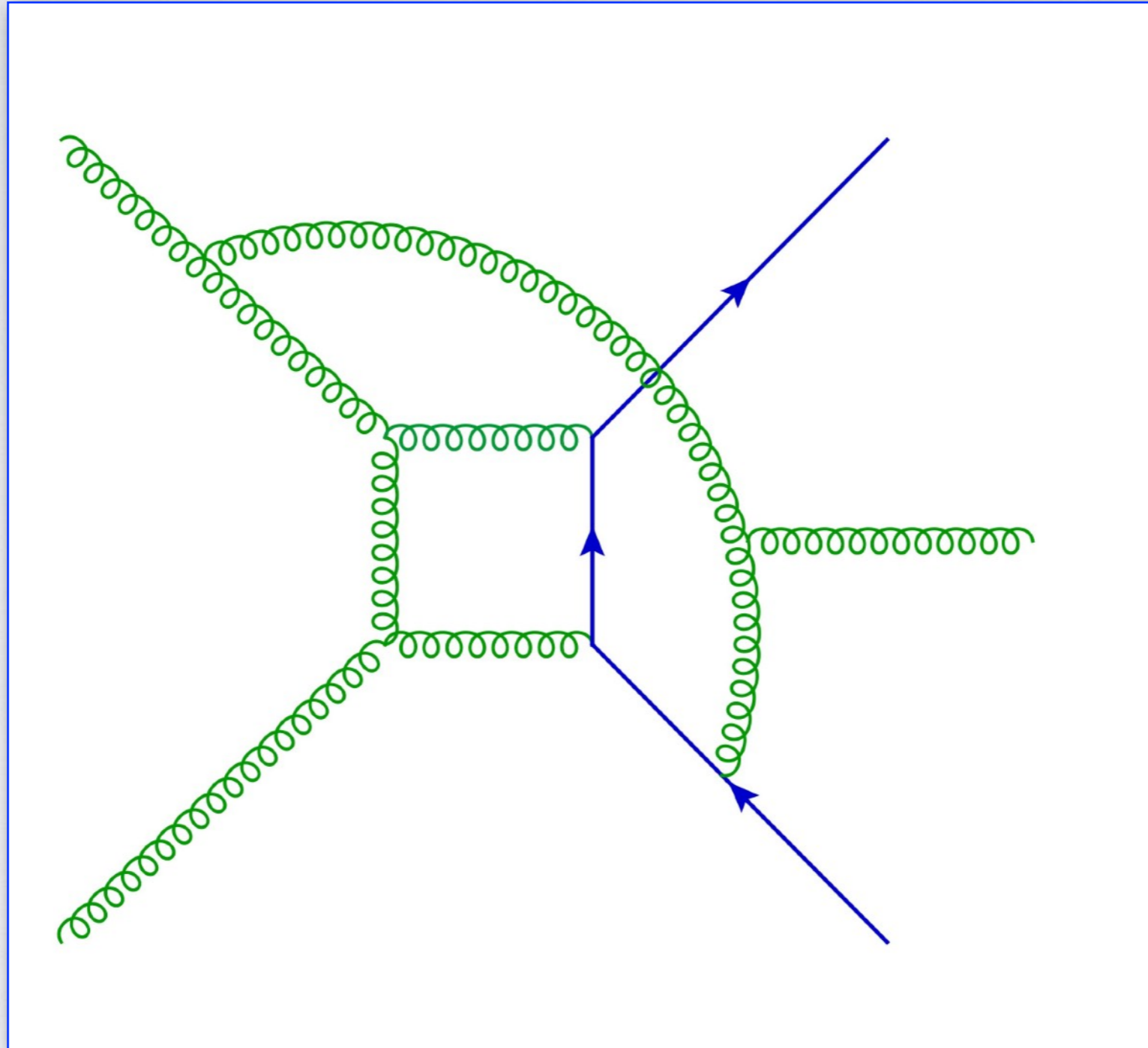
Local Analytic Sector Subtraction

Pictorial infrared



A diagram contributing a double-virtual NNLO correction to t-tbar-jet production

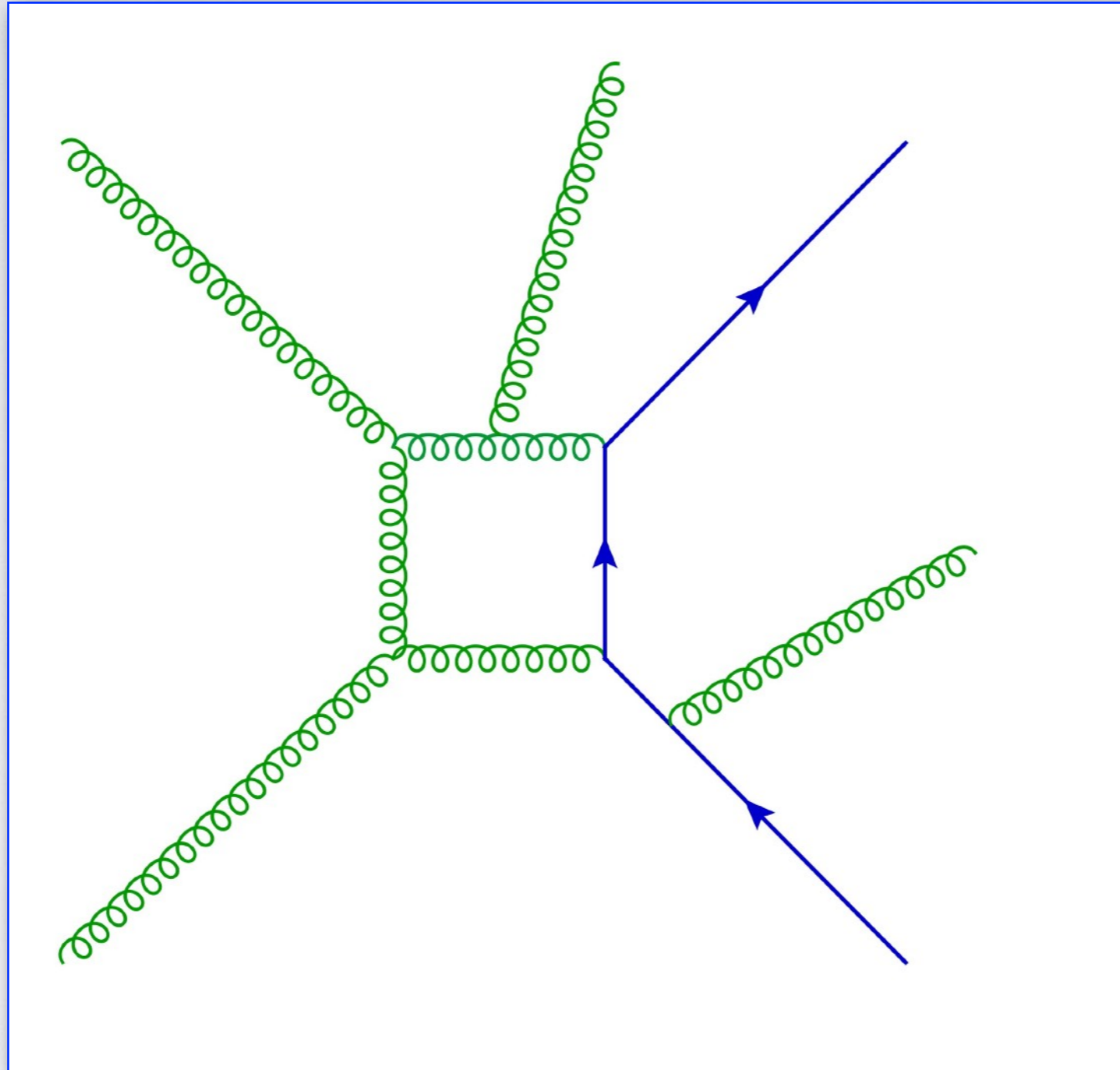
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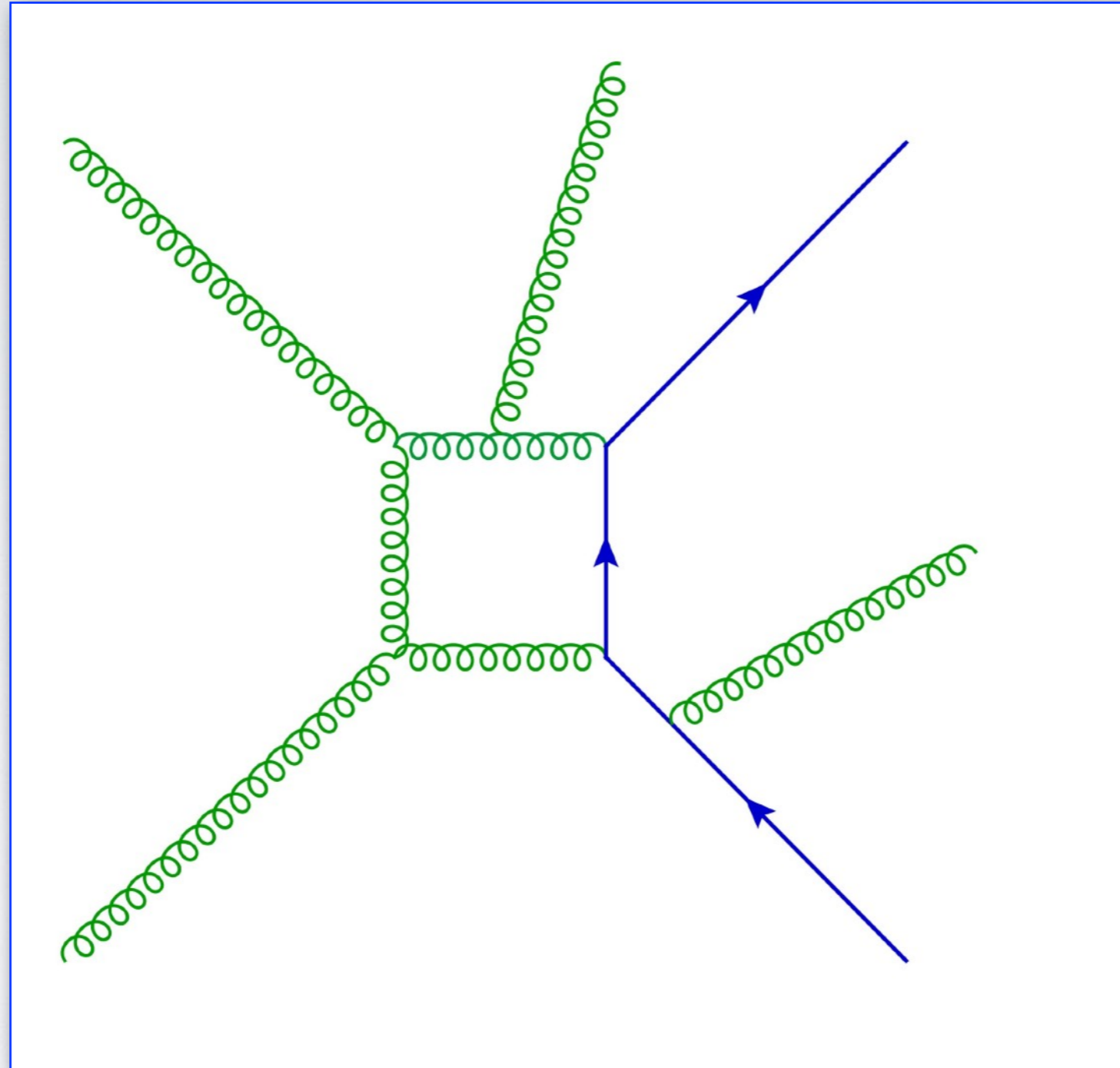
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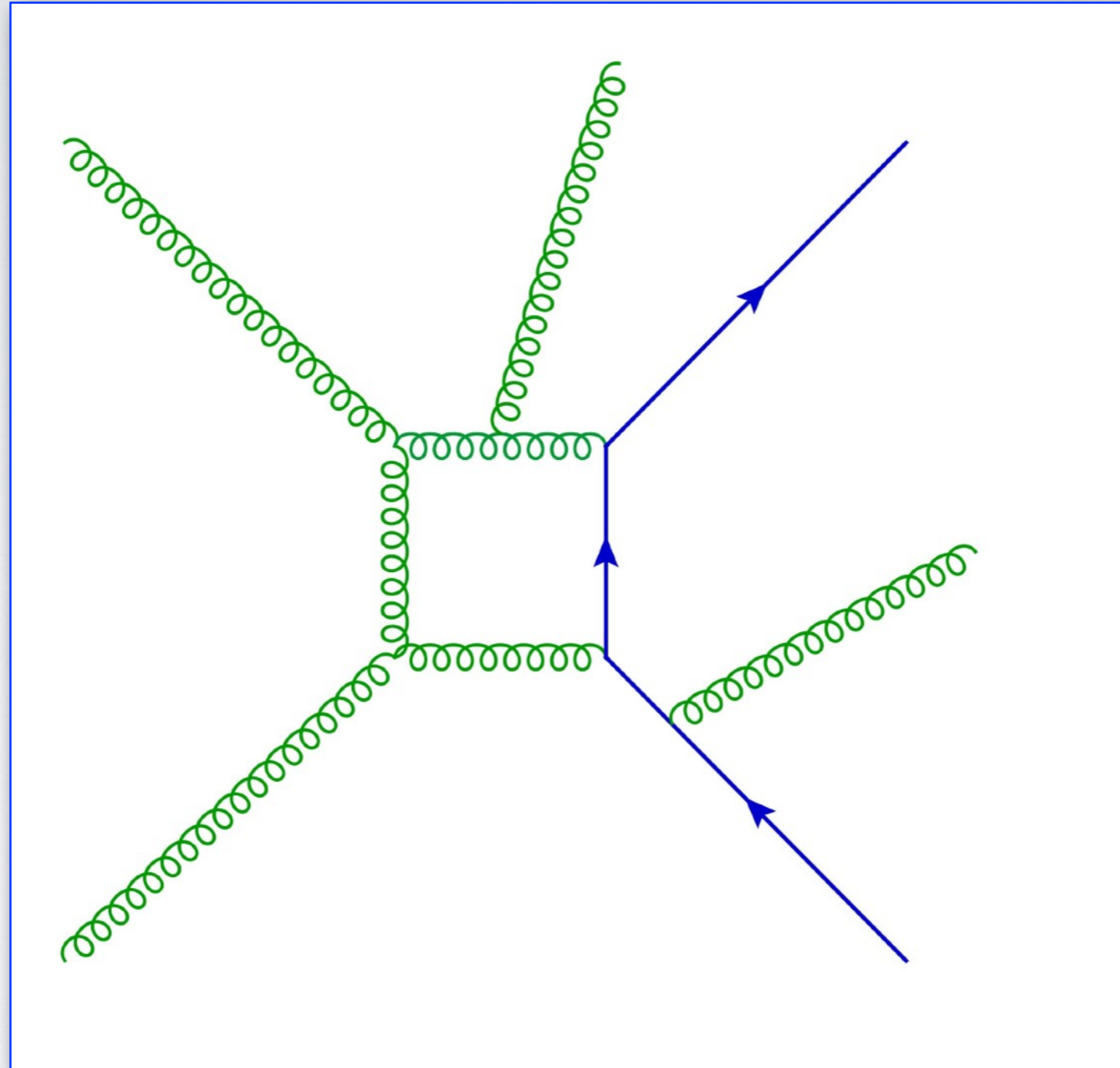
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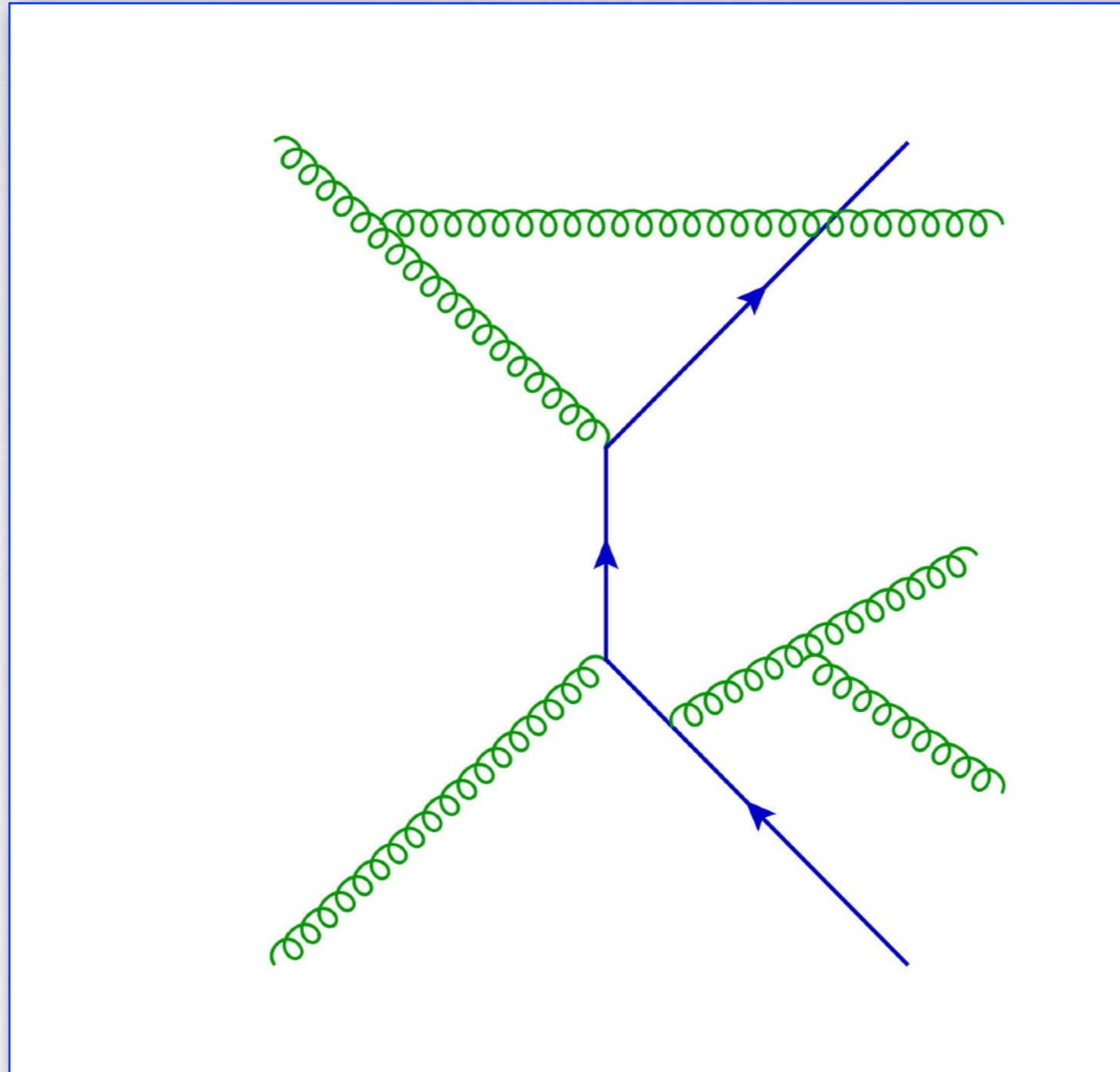


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$$\frac{dE}{E} \frac{dk_{\perp}}{k_{\perp}}$$

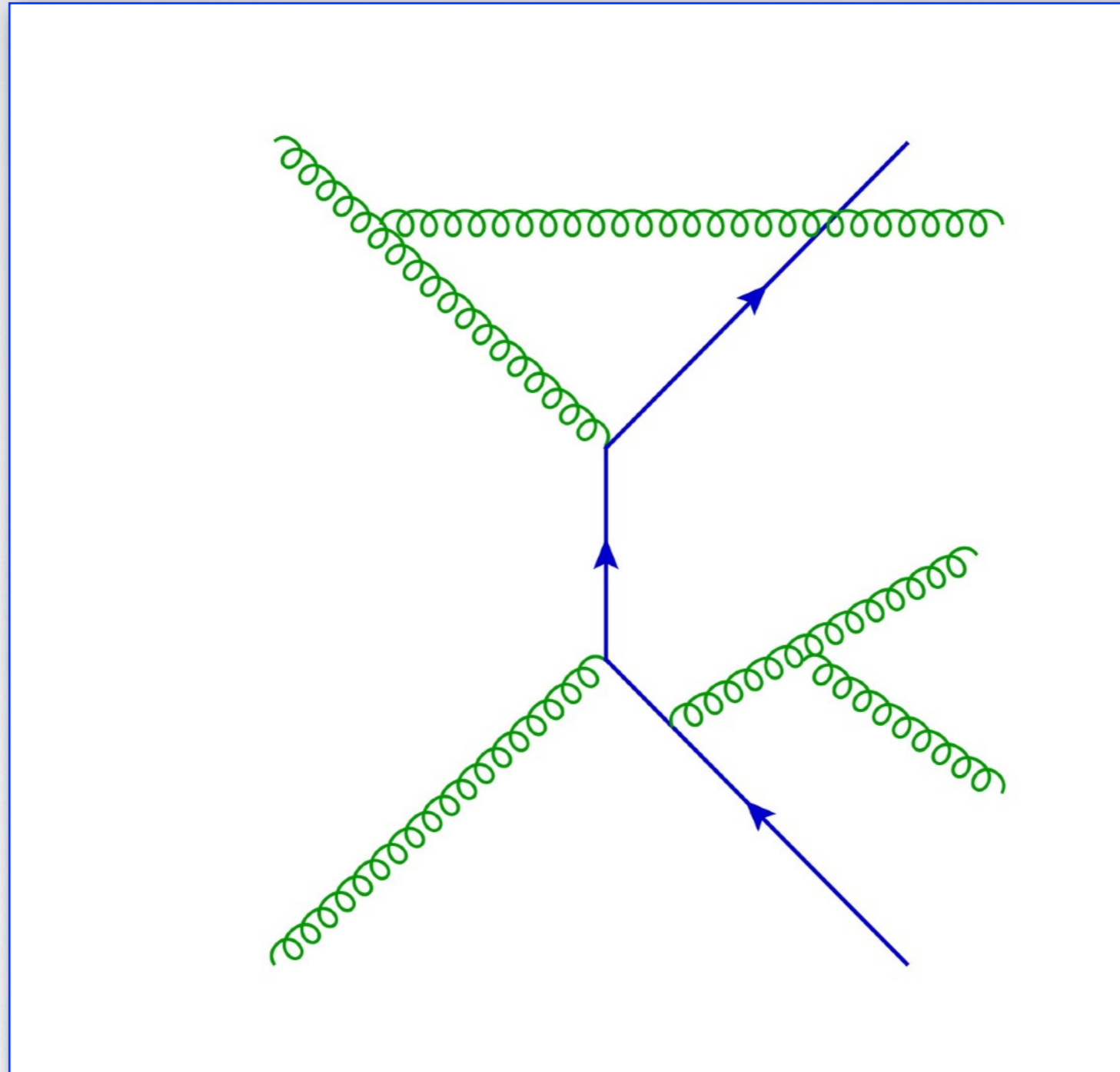
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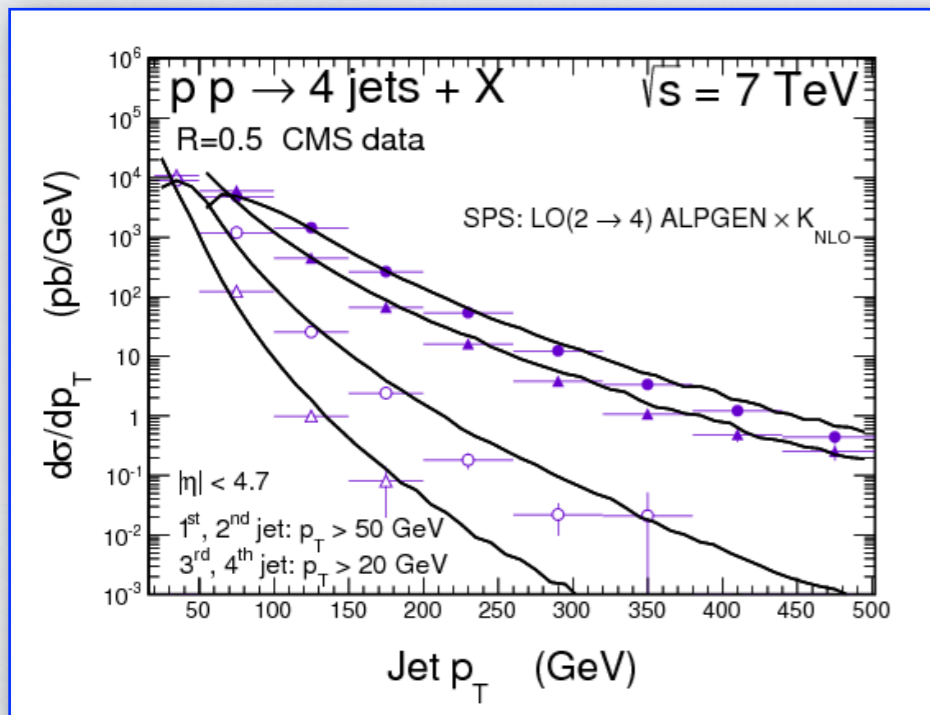
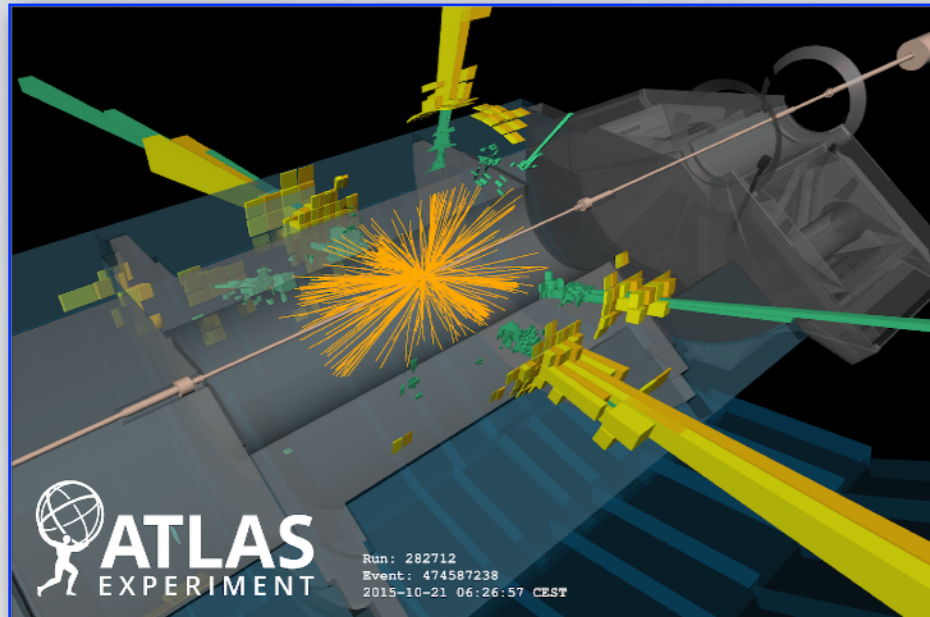
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$$\left(\frac{dE}{E} \frac{dk_{\perp}}{k_{\perp}} \right)^2$$

A diagram contributing a double-real NNLO correction to t-tbar-jet production

The subtraction problem



- Infrared divergences (soft and collinear) **cancel** between configurations with **different numbers** of particles
- Collider **observables** are algorithmically **complex** and need elaborate **phase-space constraints**.
- Divergences must be canceled **analytically** before performing **numerical integrations**.
- Existing **subtraction** algorithms **beyond NLO** are computationally very **intensive**.
- LHC is now a **precision machine**: we are **interested** in subtraction for **complicated** process at very **high orders**.
- The **factorisation** of virtual corrections contains **all-order information**, not fully exploited.
- The **structure** of **virtual** singularities can be used as an **organising principle** for subtraction.

A complex final state at NLO

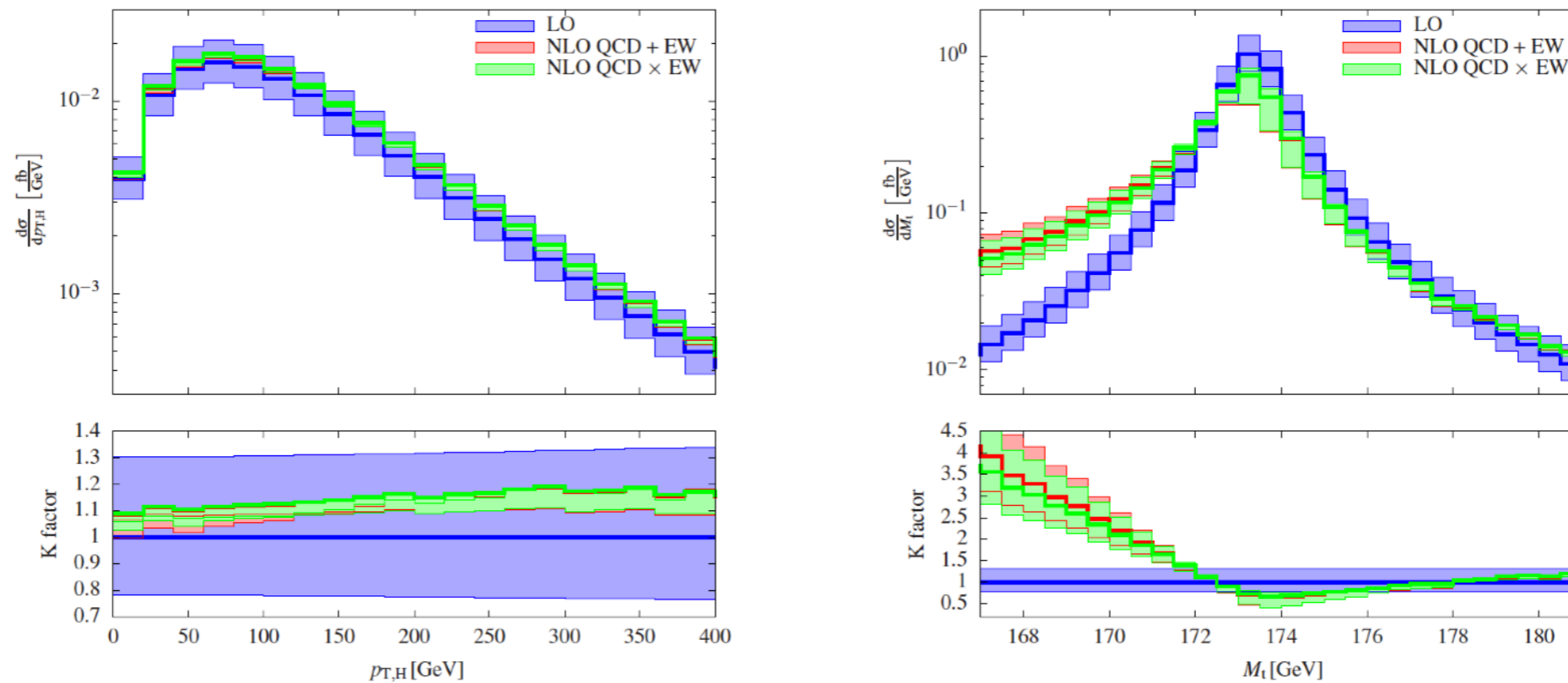
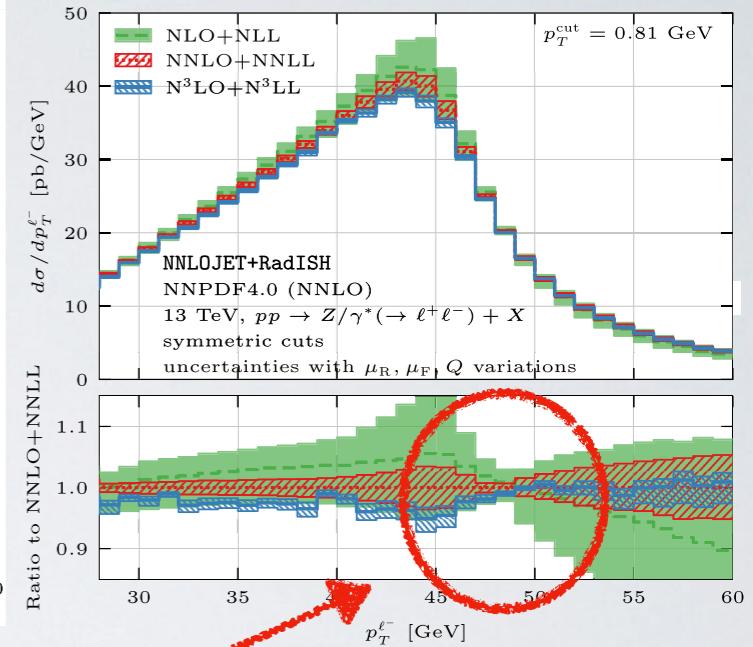
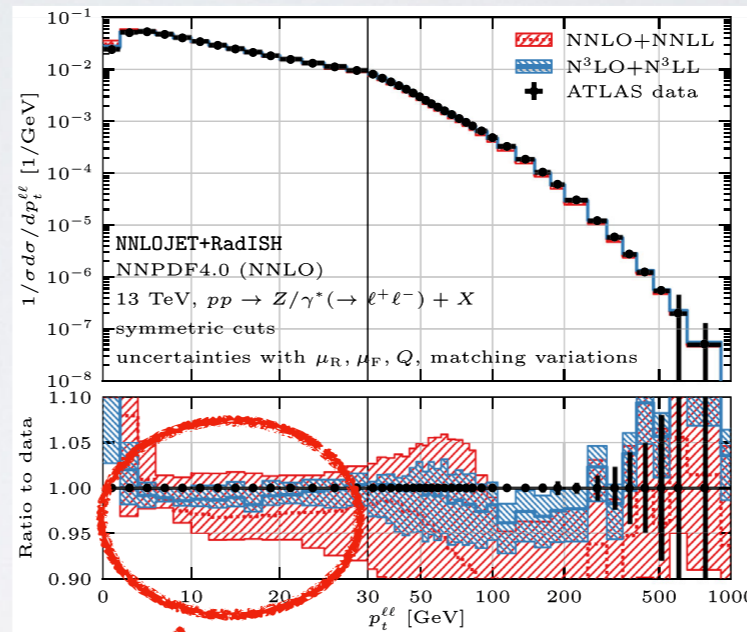
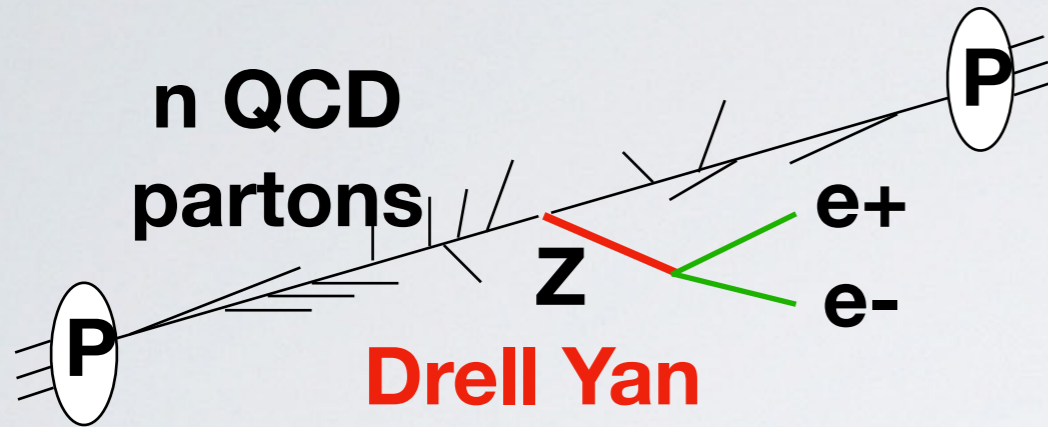


Figure 3: Differential distributions for $pp \rightarrow e^+ \nu_e \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu b \bar{b} H$ at the LHC running at 13 TeV [17]: transverse momentum of the Higgs boson (left) and invariant mass of the reconstructed top quark (right). Both the additive and the multiplicative combination of the NLO EW and QCD corrections are shown.

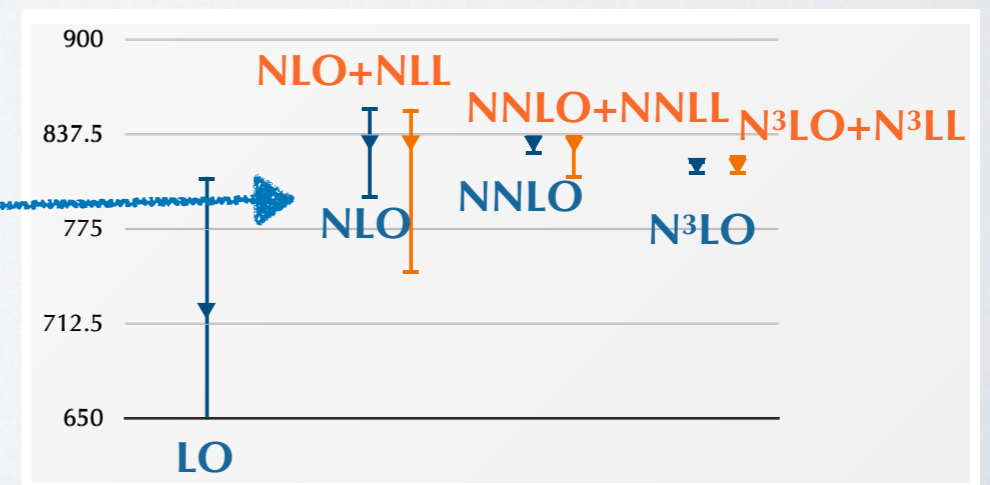
HIGH-ACCURACY RESUMMATIONS AT LHC



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Chen et al, *Phys.Rev.Lett.* 128 (2022) 25

- Sum contribution from arbitrary number of soft/collinear (= IR) QCD partons
- Differential predictions reliable where fixed-order QCD pert. theory is spoiled by multiple IR radiation
- Calculation of cross section within experimental cuts up to N3LO in QCD using resummation ingredients
- Applications to Higgs physics, W-mass extraction, PDF determination, ...



PRECISION FLAVOUR PHYSICS

Tests of the **flavour structure** of the SM: 3 generations of up and down quarks with different masses, mixing with each other via charged current.

The unitary 3x3 Cabibbo-Kobayashi-Maskawa (CKM) parametrises the mixing and leads to CP violation in the SM.

$$\hat{V}_{\text{CKM}} = \begin{pmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{pmatrix} \quad \hat{V}_{\text{CKM}}^\dagger \hat{V}_{\text{CKM}} = 1$$

$$|V_{ud}|^2 + |V_{us}|^2 + |V_{ub}|^2 = 1$$

first row

$$|V_{cd}|^2 + |V_{cs}|^2 + |V_{cb}|^2 = 1$$

second row etc.

New Physics could manifest itself as violation of unitarity, or shift Flavour Changing Neutral Currents (loop induced in the SM) like $b \rightarrow s\gamma$, B and K mixing, etc

Hierarchical structure of CKM matrix \Rightarrow can probe $\Lambda_{NP} \gg \Lambda_{EW}$

The importance of $|V_{cb}|$

An important CKM unitarity test is the Unitarity Triangle (UT) formed by

$$1 + \frac{V_{ud}V_{ub}^*}{V_{cd}V_{cb}^*} + \frac{V_{td}V_{tb}^*}{V_{cd}V_{cb}^*} = 0$$

V_{cb} plays an important role in UT

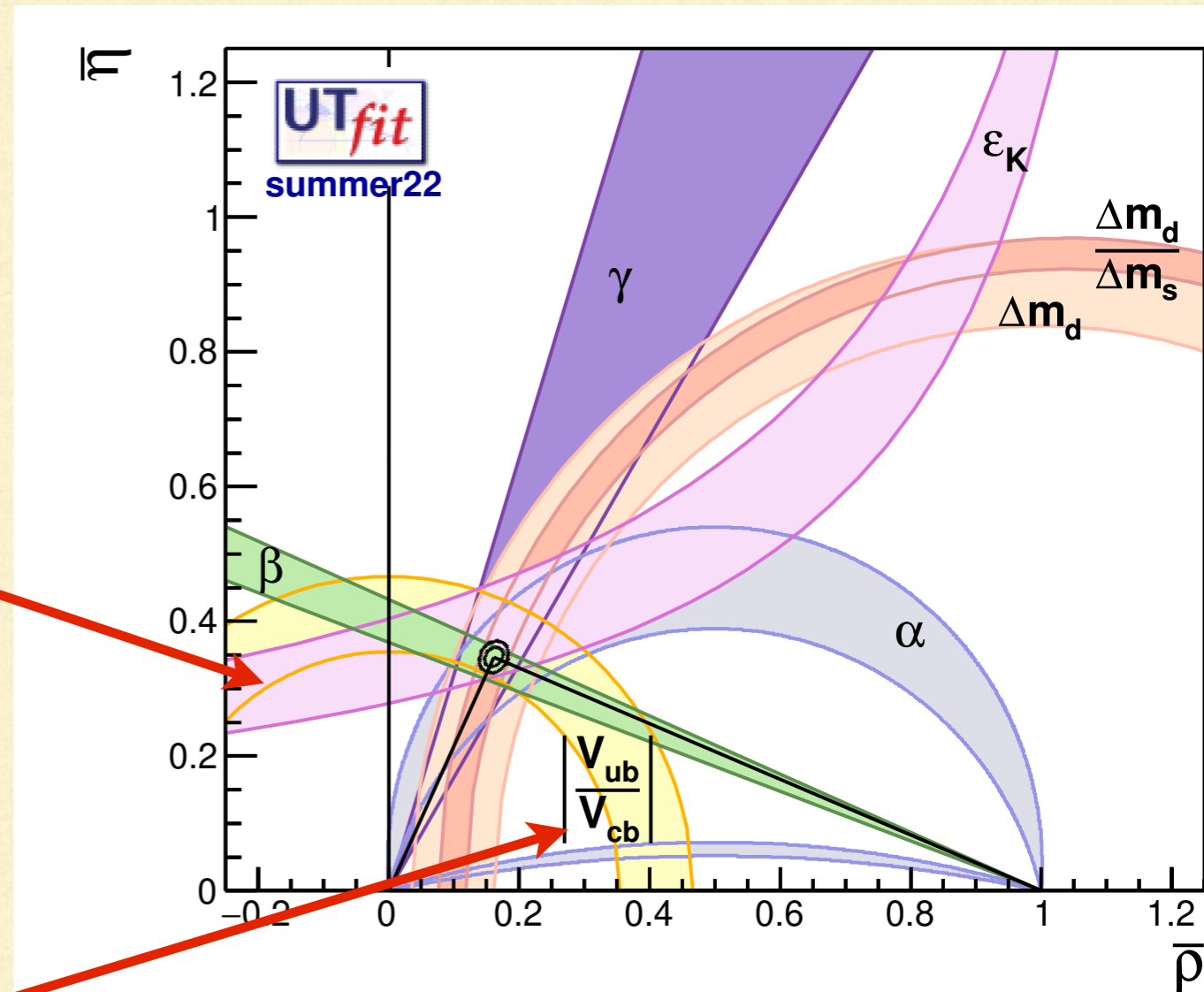
$$\varepsilon_K \approx x|V_{cb}|^4 + \dots$$

and in the prediction of FCNC:

$$\propto |V_{tb}V_{ts}|^2 \simeq |V_{cb}|^2 \left[1 + O(\lambda^2) \right]$$

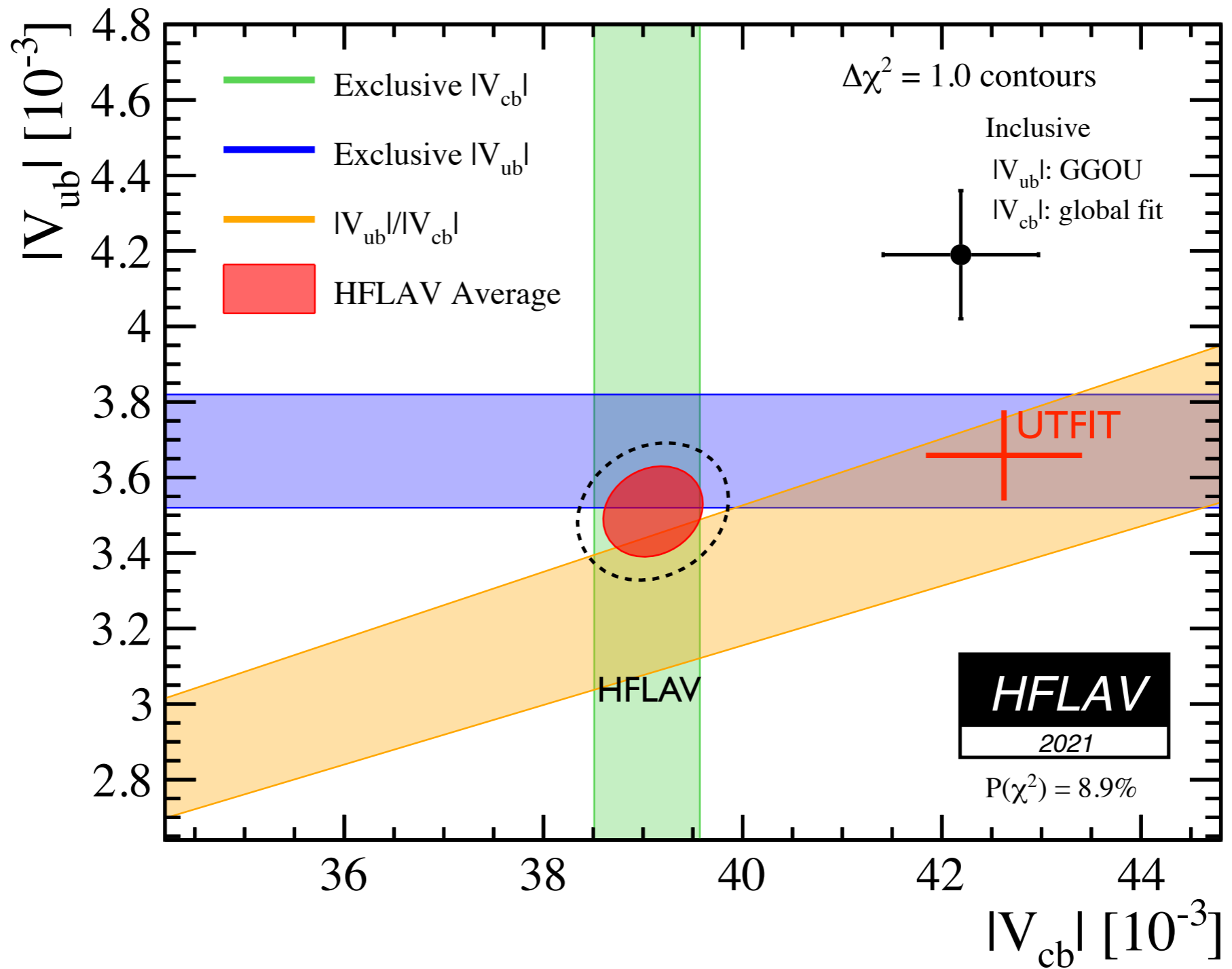
where it often dominates the theoretical uncertainty.

V_{ub}/V_{cb} constrains directly the UT



Our ability to determine precisely V_{cb} is crucial for indirect NP searches

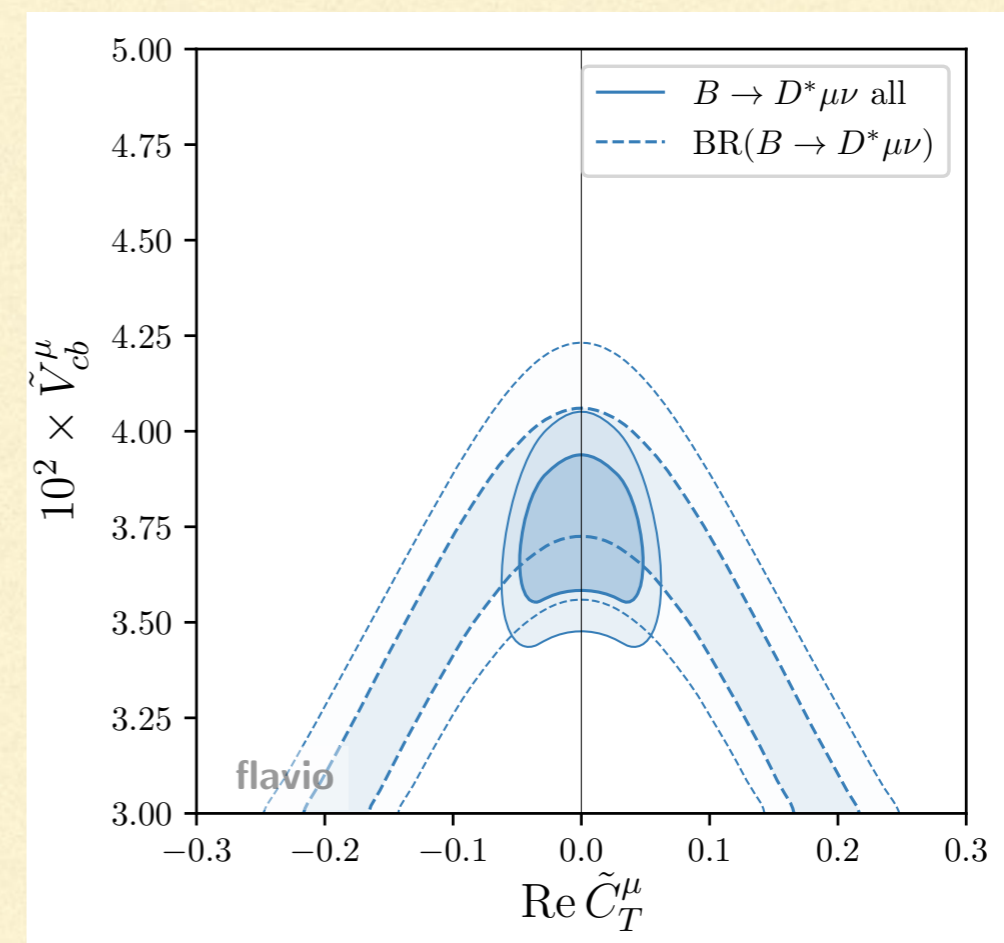
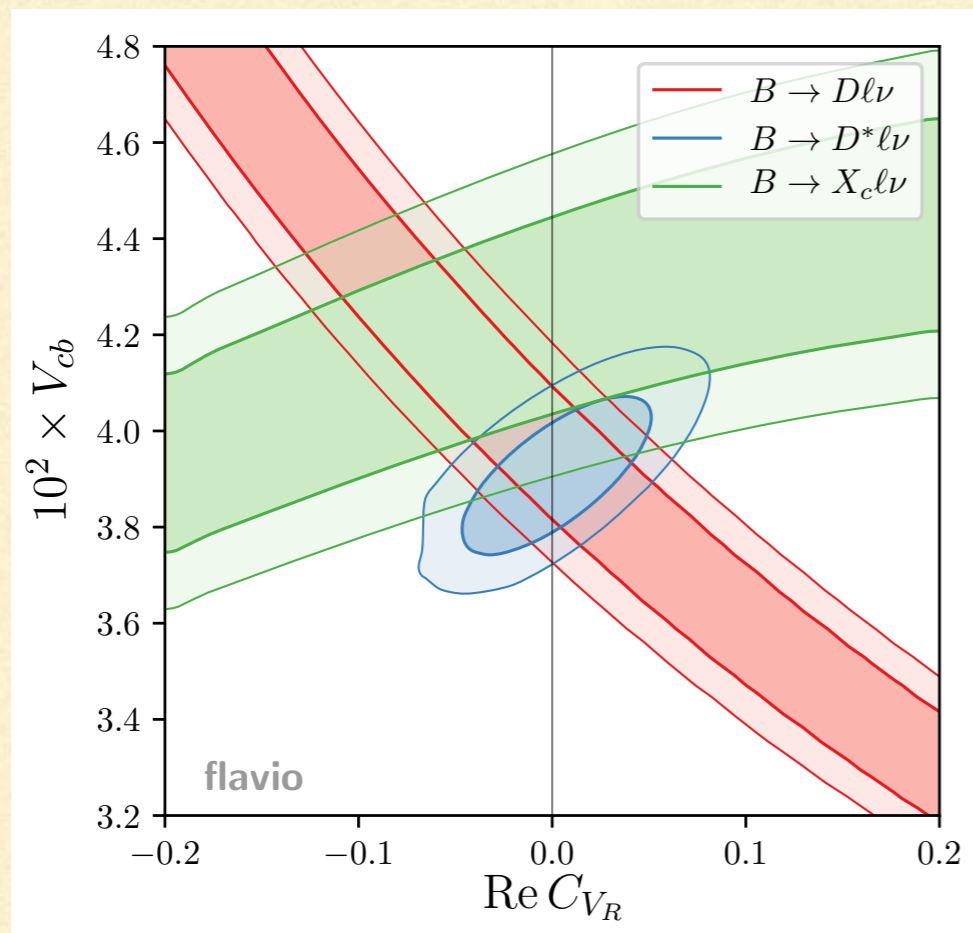
Since many years the inclusive and exclusive determinations of $|V_{cb}|$ and $|V_{ub}|$ diverge



The puzzle. Do we believe these errors?

NEW PHYSICS?

Jung & Straub, 1801.01112

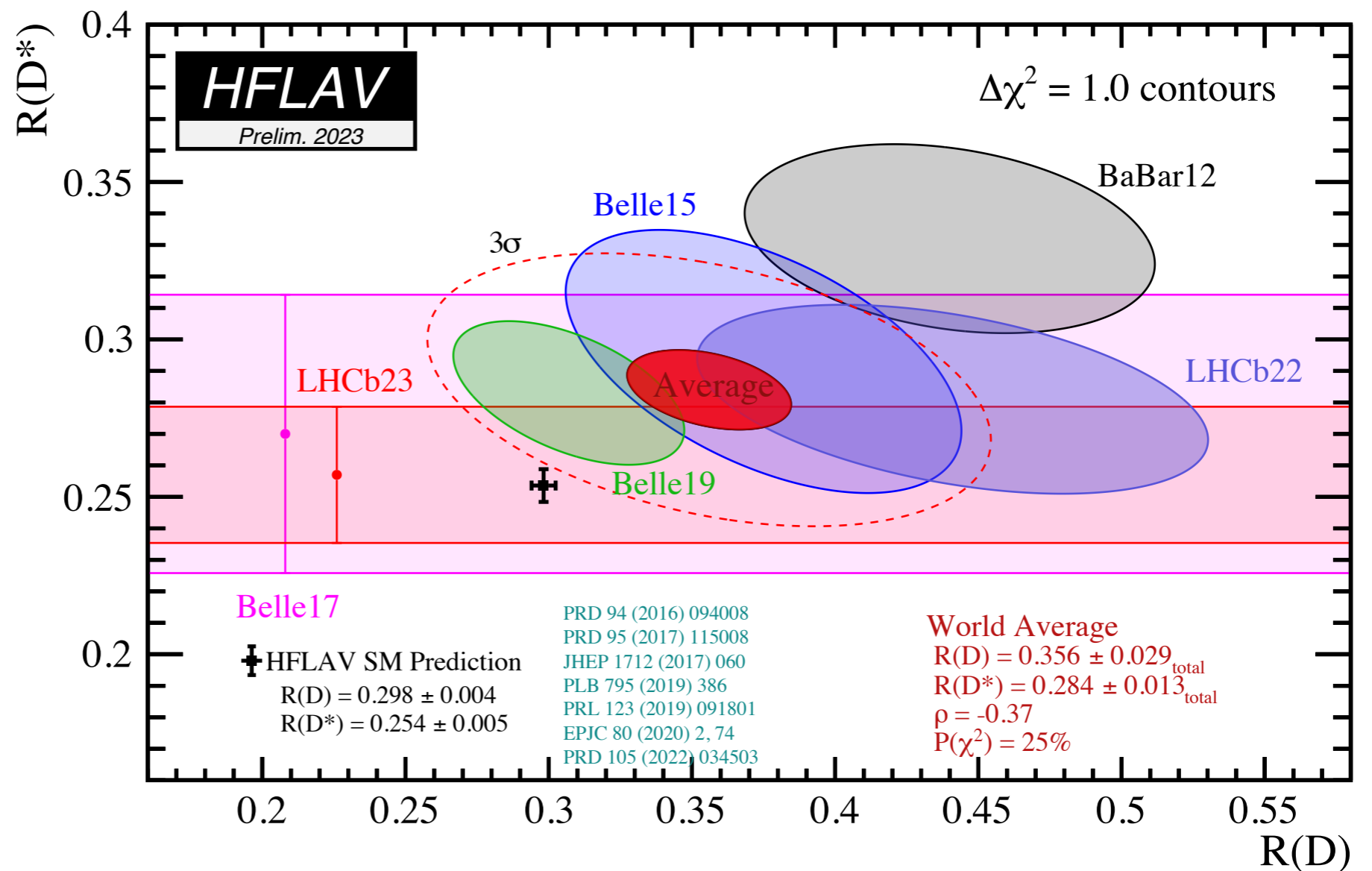


Differential distributions constrain NP strongly, SMEFT interpretation incompatible with LEP data: Crivellin, Pokorski, Jung, Straub...

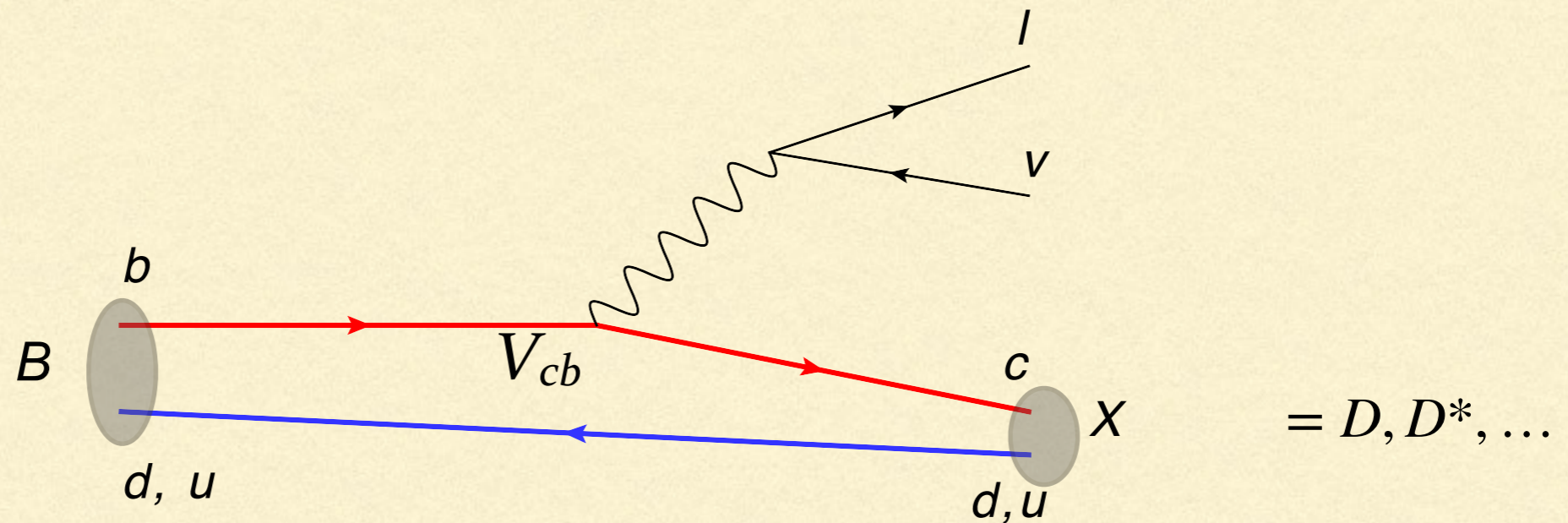
VIOLATION of LFU with TAUS?

$$R(D^{(*)}) = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \nu_\tau)}{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \ell \nu_\ell)}$$

SM predictions based on same theory as V_{cb} extraction



EXCLUSIVE DECAYS



There are 1(2) and 3(4) FFs for D and D^* for light (heavy) leptons, for instance

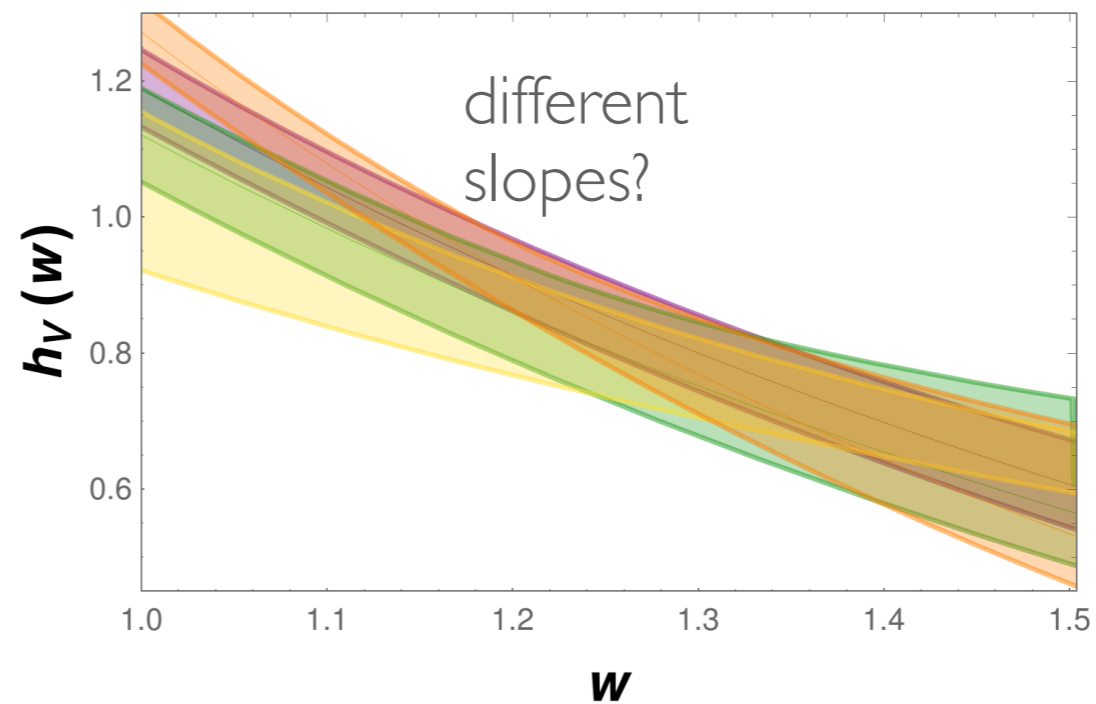
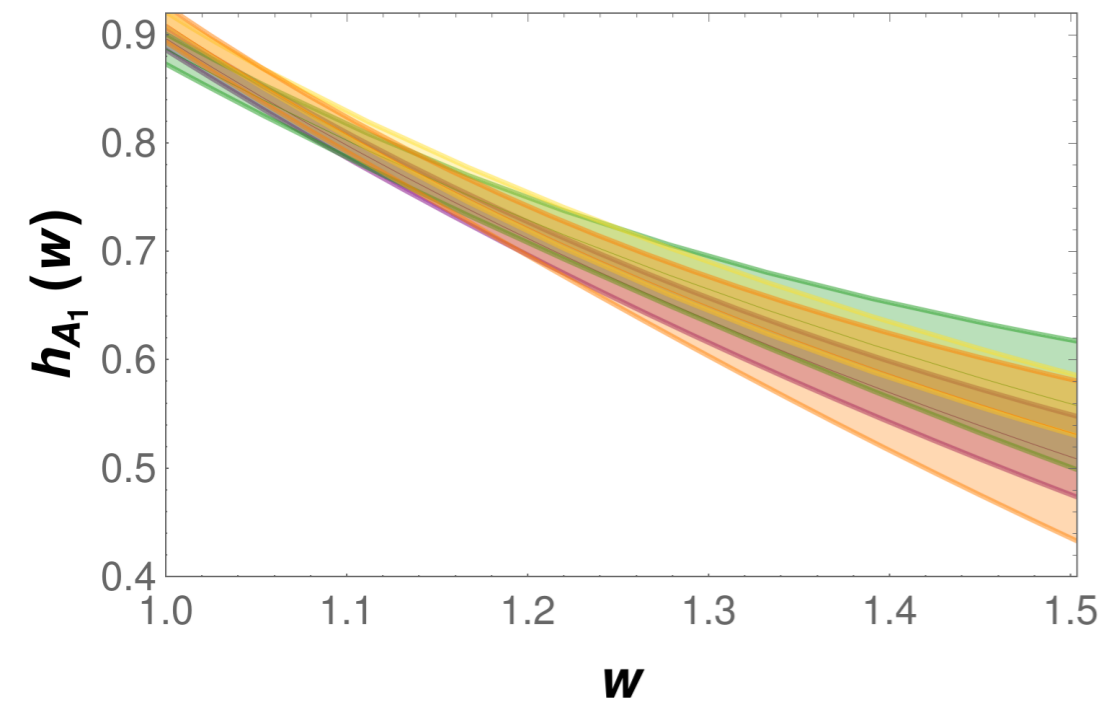
$$\langle D(k) | \bar{c} \gamma^\mu b | \bar{B}(p) \rangle = \left[(p+k)^\mu - \frac{M_B^2 - M_D^2}{q^2} q^\mu \right] f_+^{B \rightarrow D}(q^2) + \frac{M_B^2 - M_D^2}{q^2} q^\mu f_0^{B \rightarrow D}(q^2)$$

Information on FFs from LQCD (at high q^2), LCSR (at low q^2), HQE, exp, extrapolation, unitarity constraints, ...

A **model independent parametrization** is necessary

LATTICE FORM FACTORS AT NONZERO RECOIL

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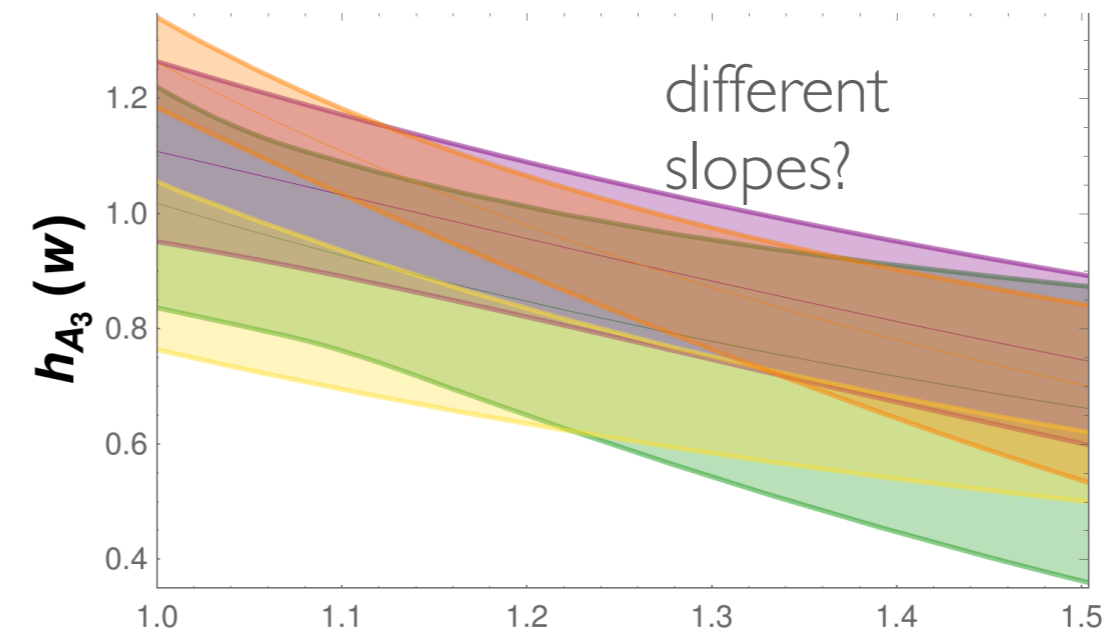
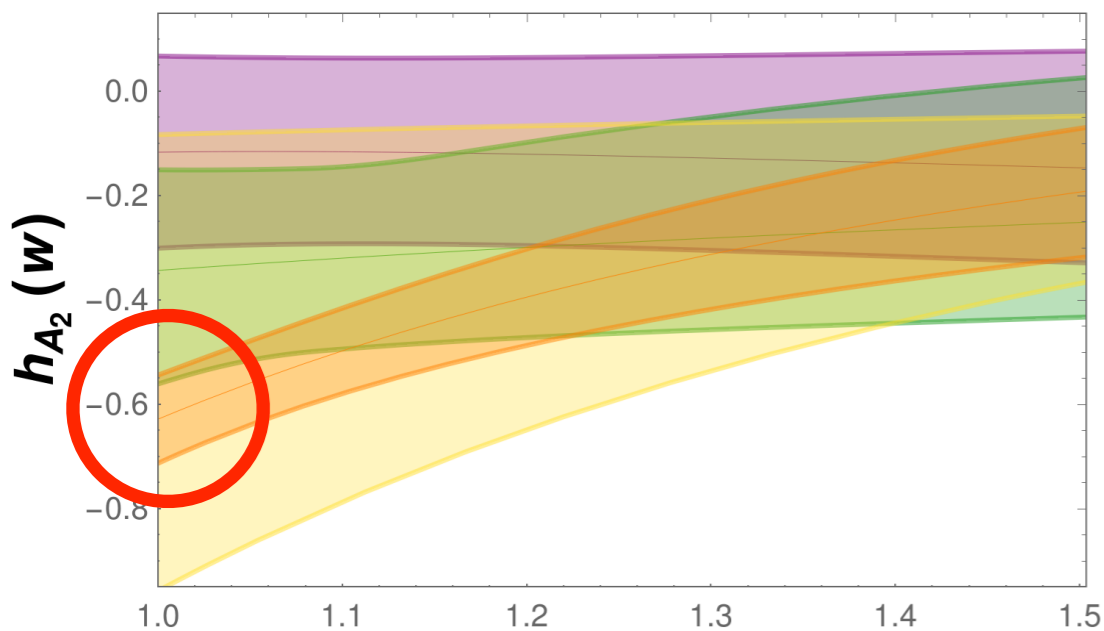
FERMILAB/MILC

JLQCD

HPQCD

HQE

(LCSR+SR+lat<2019)



BGL fits with weak unitarity. Relatively good agreement, but not in ratios!

OUR BGL FITS

Jung, Schacht, PG in progress

With Belle 2018 only

FNAL/MILC

$$|V_{cb}|=39.4(9) \cdot 10^{-3} (\chi_{min}^2 = 50) \text{ using only total rate } |V_{cb}|=42.2_{-1.7}^{+2.8} \cdot 10^{-3}$$

JLQCD

$$|V_{cb}|=40.7(9) \cdot 10^{-3} (\chi_{min}^2 = 33) \text{ using only total rate } |V_{cb}|=40.8_{-2.3}^{+1.8} \cdot 10^{-3}$$

HPQCD

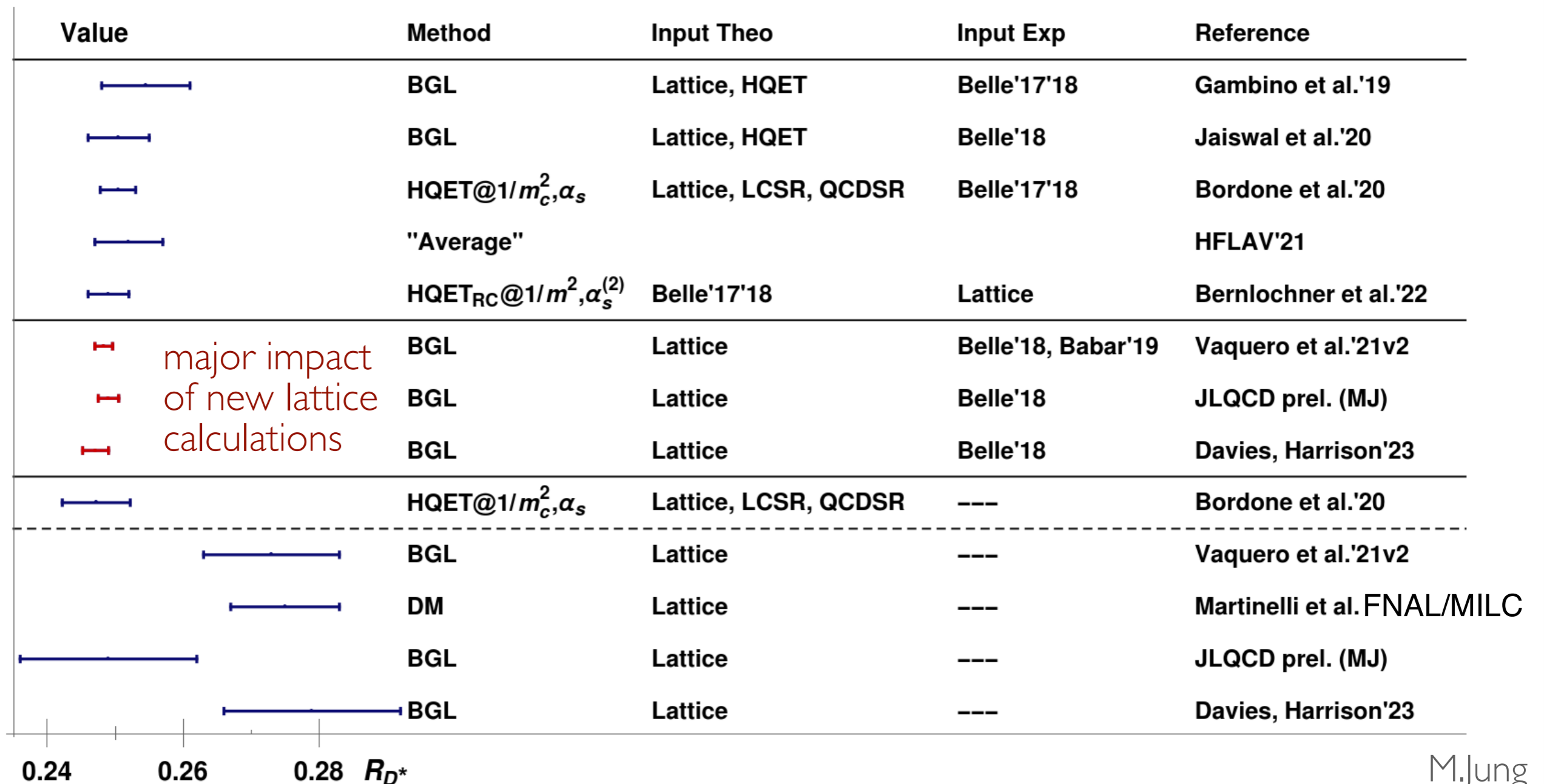
$$|V_{cb}|=40.4(8) \cdot 10^{-3} (\chi_{min}^2 = 50) \text{ using only total rate } |V_{cb}|=44.4 \pm 1.6 \cdot 10^{-3}$$

HPQCD and FNAL are not well compatible: adding 16 points increases χ^2 by 35

Global BGL fit to Belle 18+FNAL+JLQCD+HPQCD data:

$$|V_{cb}|=40.3(7) \cdot 10^{-3} (\chi_{min}^2 = 91) \text{ using only total rate } |V_{cb}|=42.4(1.0) \cdot 10^{-3}$$

Overview over predictions for $R(D^*)$

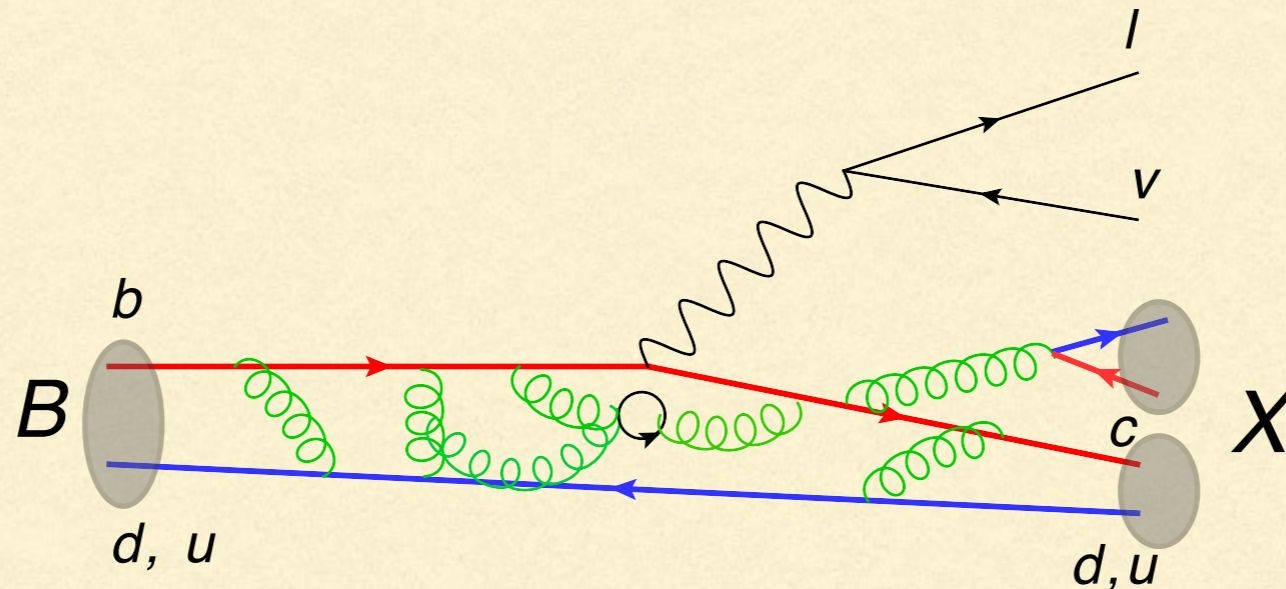


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Predictions based only on Fermilab & HPQCD lead to larger $R(D^*)$, in better agreement with exp, mostly because of the suppression at high w of the denominator.

No reason not to use experimental data for a SM test, especially in presence of tensions in lattice data.

INCLUSIVE DECAYS: BASICS



- **Simple idea:** inclusive decays do not depend on final state, long distance dynamics of the B meson factorizes. An OPE allows us to express it in terms of B meson matrix elements of local operators.
- The Wilson coefficients are perturbative, matrix elements of local ops parameterize non-pert physics: **double series in $\alpha_s, \Lambda/m_b$**
- Lowest order: decay of a free b , linear Λ/m_b absent. Depends on $m_{b,c}$, two parameters at $O(\Lambda^2/m_b^2)$, 2 more at $O(\Lambda^3/m_b^3)$... Many higher order effects have been computed.

A GLOBAL FIT

Finauri, PG 2310.20324

| m_b^{kin} | $\bar{m}_c(2 \text{ GeV})$ | μ_π^2 | $\mu_G^2(m_b)$ | $\rho_D^3(m_b)$ | ρ_{LS}^3 | $\text{BR}_{cl\nu}$ | $10^3 V_{cb} $ |
|--------------------|----------------------------|-------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| 4.573 | 1.090 | 0.454 | 0.288 | 0.176 | -0.113 | 10.63 | 41.97 |
| 0.012 | 0.010 | 0.043 | 0.049 | 0.019 | 0.090 | 0.15 | 0.48 |

Includes all leptonic, hadronic, and q^2 moments

Up to $O(\alpha_s^2)$, $O(\alpha_s/m_b^2)$, $O(1/m_b^3)$ for M_X , E_ℓ moments

Up to $O(\alpha_s^2\beta_0)$, $O(\alpha_s/m_b^3)$ for q^2 moments

Subtracts QED effects beyond those computed by PHOTOS (only BaBar BR and lept moments) $\delta |V_{cb}| \sim -0.2\%$

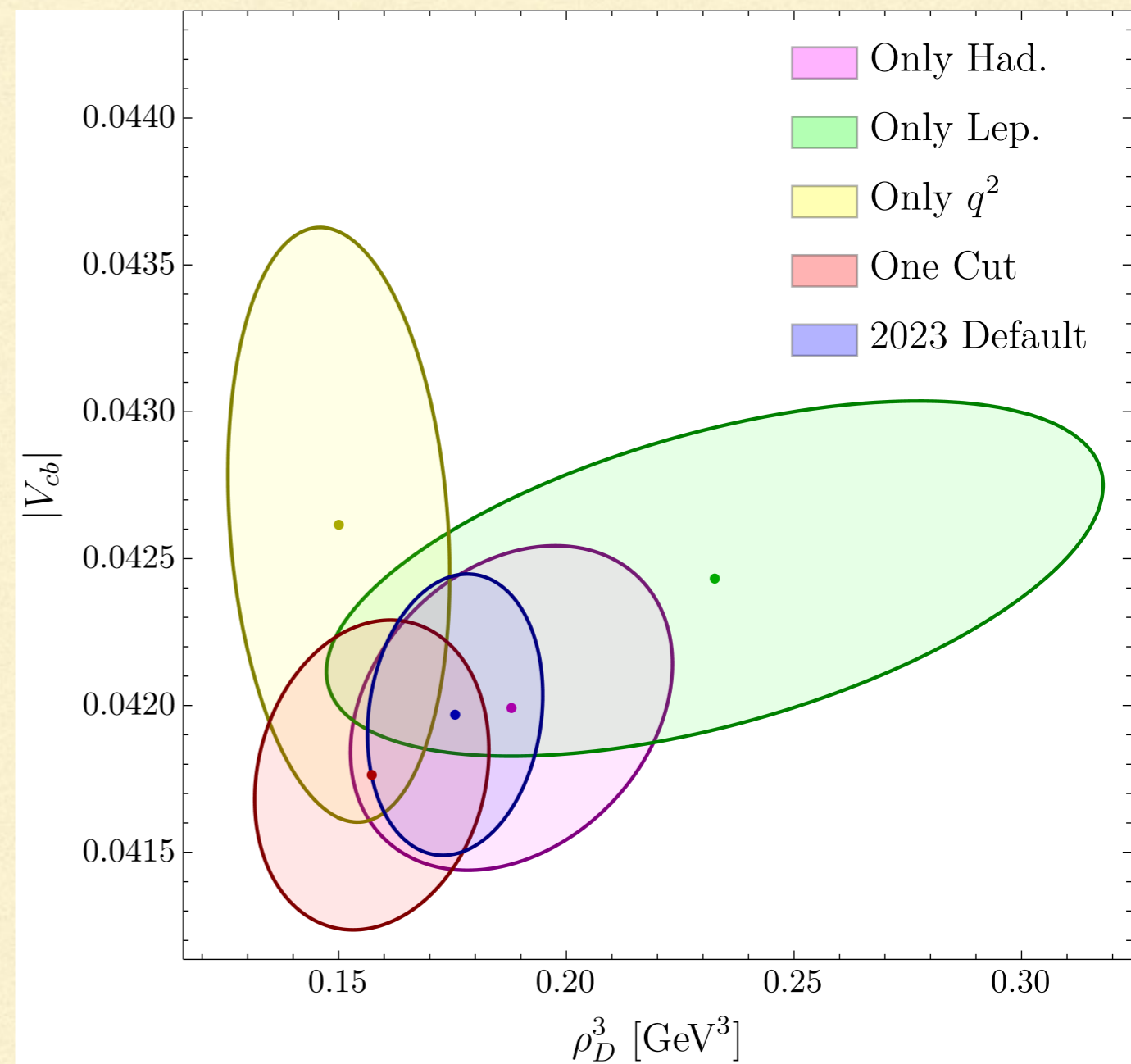
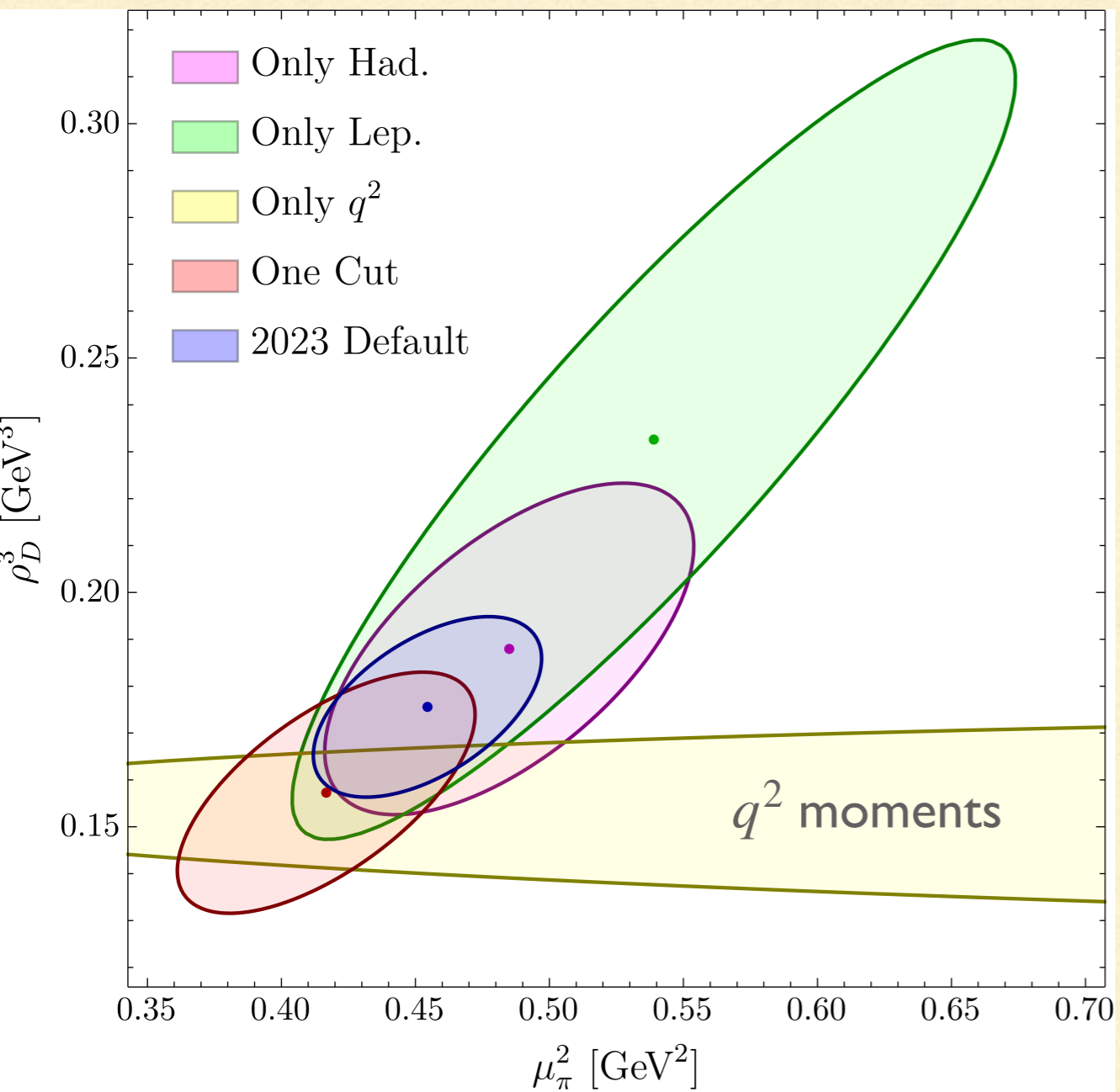
Employs $\bar{m}_b(\bar{m}_b) = 4.203(11)\text{GeV}$ and $\bar{m}_c(3\text{GeV}) = 0.989(10)\text{GeV}$ (FLAG)

$\chi_{min}^2/dof = 0.55$

$$|V_{cb}| = (41.97 \pm 0.27_{exp} \pm 0.31_{th} \pm 0.25_\Gamma) \times 10^{-3} = (41.97 \pm 0.48) \times 10^{-3}$$

comparison of different datasets

Finauri, PG 2310.20324

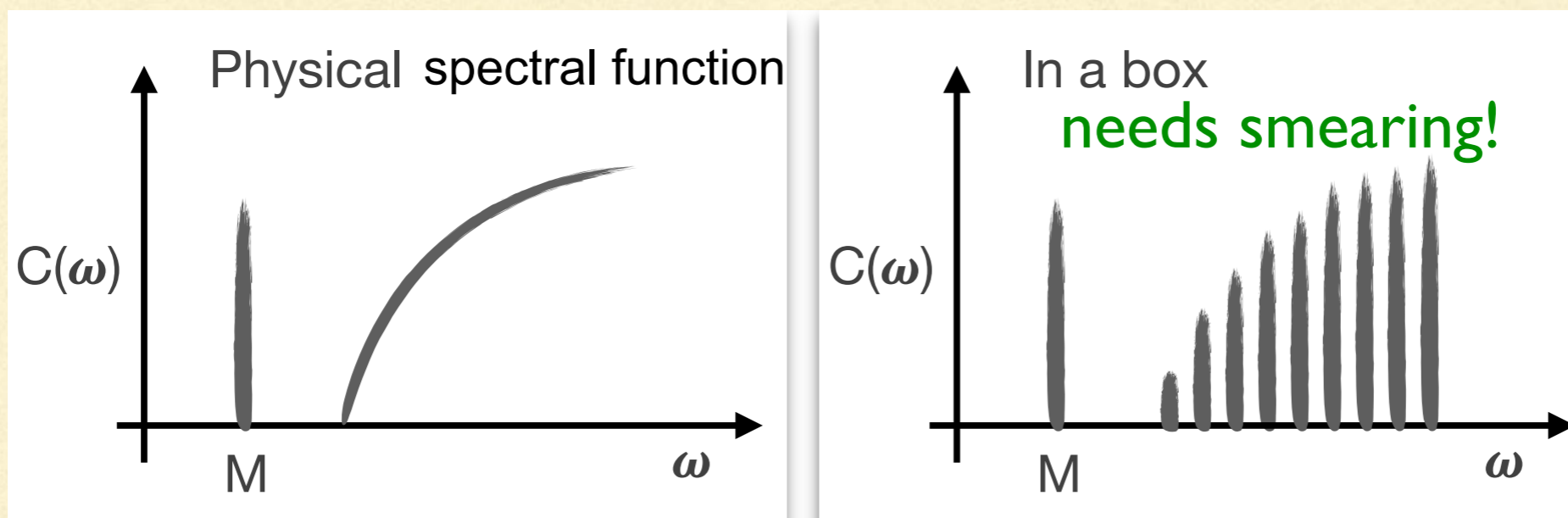


INCLUSIVE DECAYS ON THE LATTICE

Inclusive processes impractical to treat directly on the lattice. Vacuum current correlators computed in euclidean space-time are related to $e^+e^- \rightarrow$ hadrons or τ decay via analyticity. In our case the correlators have to be computed in the B meson, but analytic continuation more complicated: two cuts, decay occurs only on a portion of the cut associated to B semileptonic decays.

While the lattice calculation of the spectral density of hadronic correlators is an **ill-posed problem**, the spectral density is accessible after smearing

Hansen, Meyer, Robaina, Hansen, Lupo, Tantalò, Bailas, Hashimoto, Ishikawa

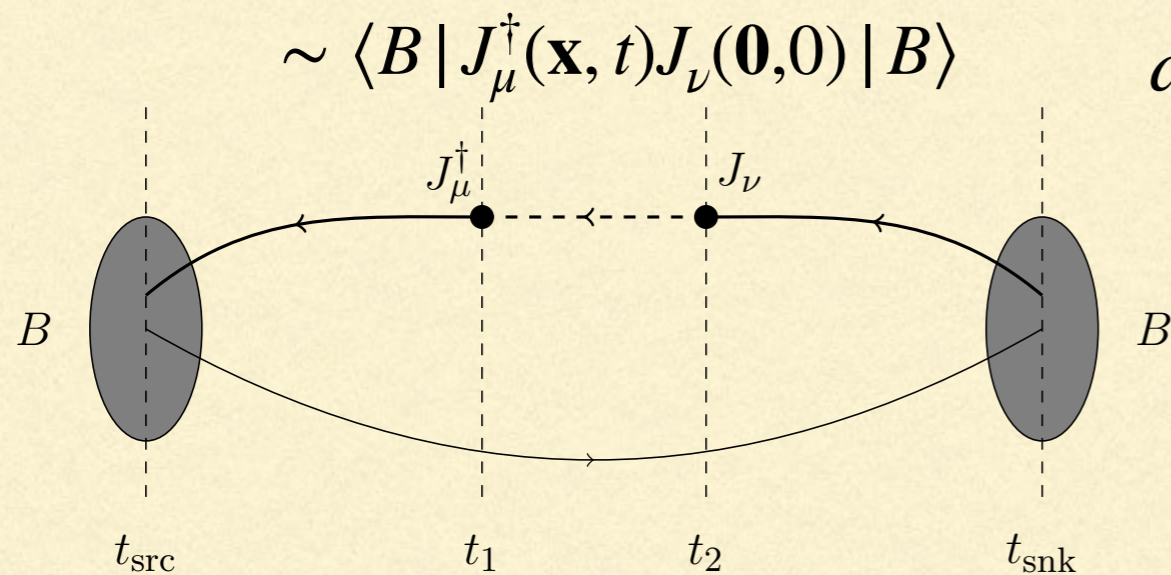


W. Jay @Snowmass workshop

A NEW APPROACH

Hashimoto, PG 2005.13730

4-point functions on the lattice are related to the hadronic tensor in euclidean

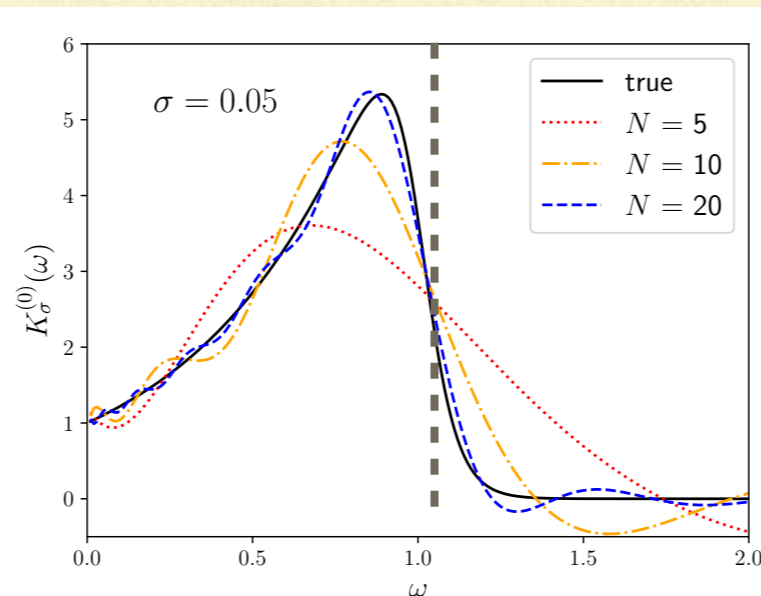
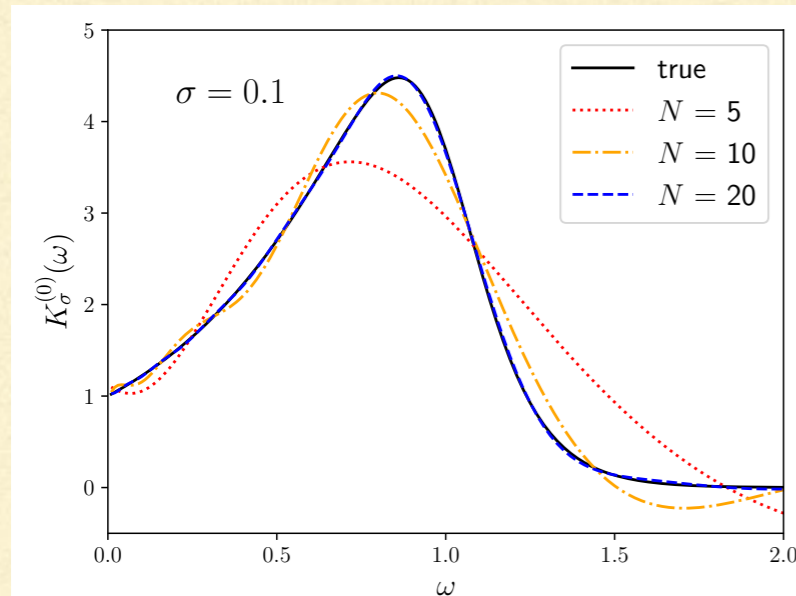


$$d\Gamma \sim L^{\mu\nu} W_{\mu\nu}, \quad W_{\mu\nu} \sim \sum_X \langle B | J_\mu^\dagger | X \rangle \langle X | J_\nu | B \rangle$$

$$\int d^3x \frac{e^{i\mathbf{q}\cdot\mathbf{x}}}{2M_B} \langle B | J_\mu^\dagger(\mathbf{x}, t) J_\nu(\mathbf{0}, 0) | B \rangle \sim \int_0^\infty d\omega W_{\mu\nu} e^{-t\omega}$$

smearing kernel $f(\omega) = \sum_n a_n e^{-na\omega}$

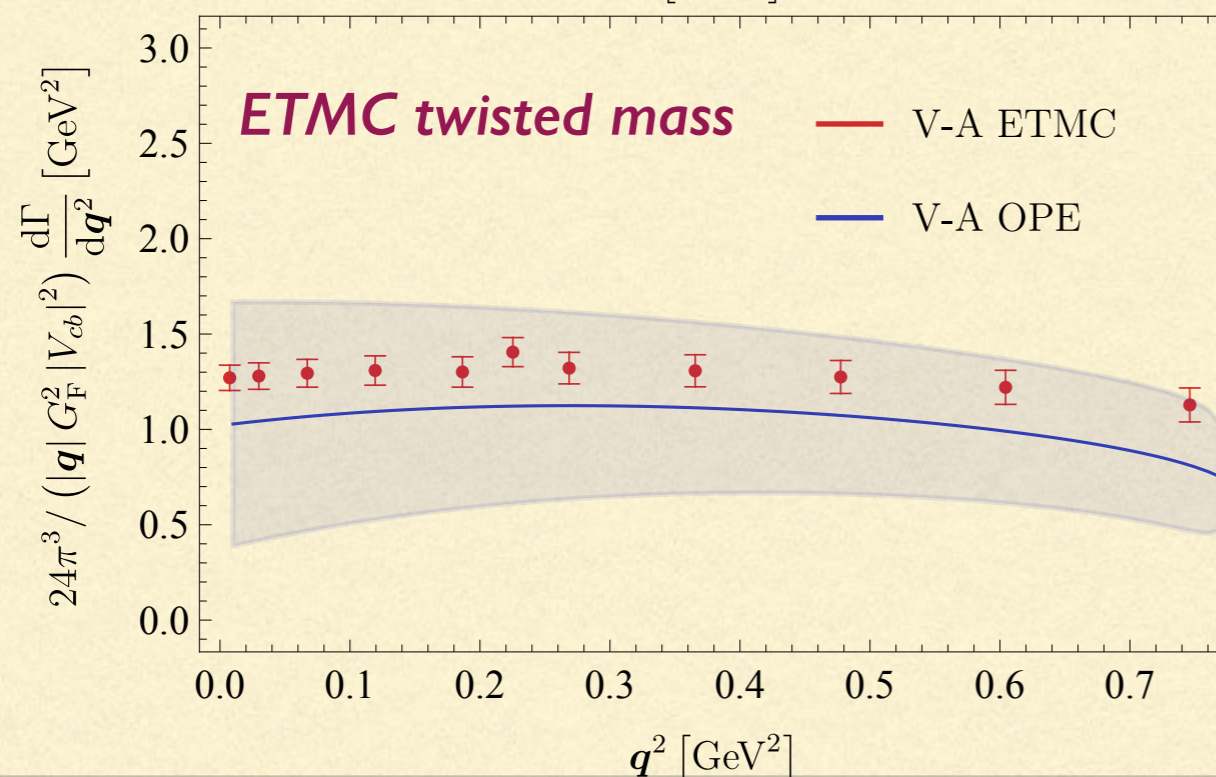
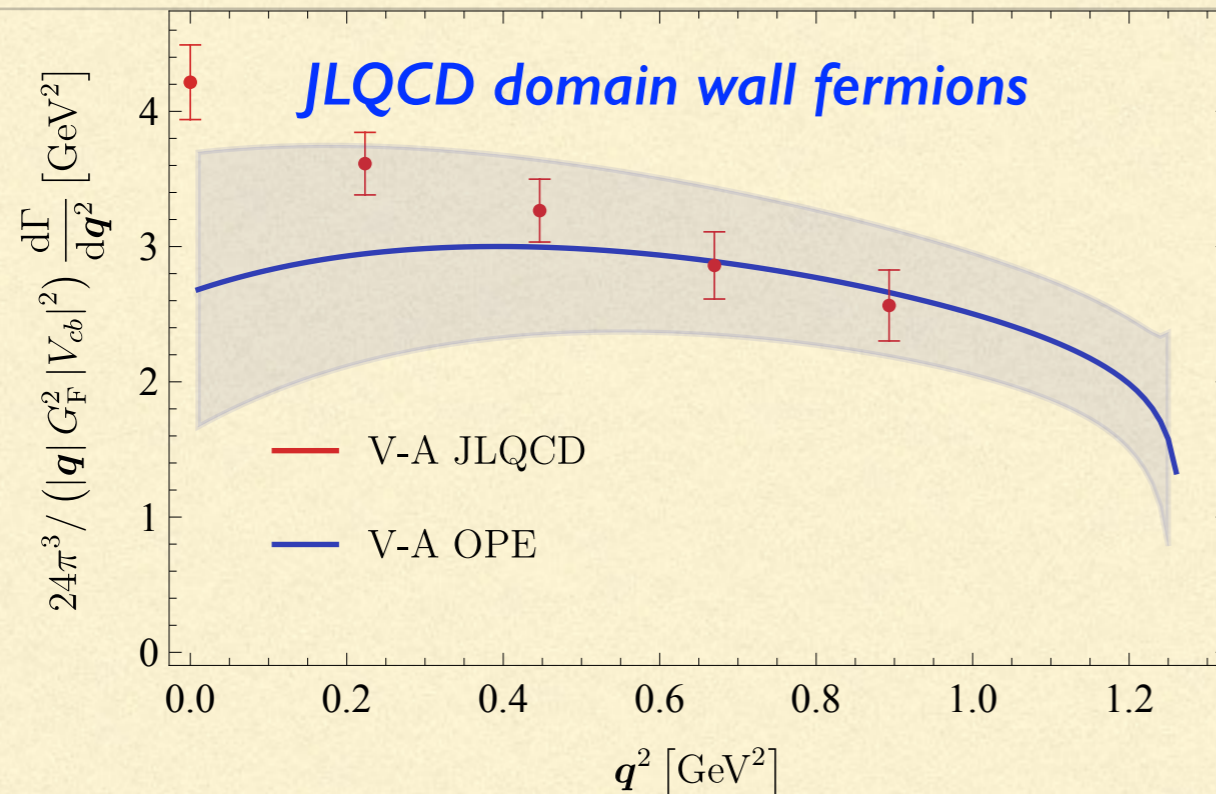
The necessary smearing is provided by phase space integration over the hadronic energy, which is cut by a θ with a sharp hedge: sigmoid $1/(1 + e^{x/\sigma})$ can be used to replace kinematic $\theta(x)$ for $\sigma \rightarrow 0$. Larger number of polynomials needed for small σ



Two methods based on Chebyshev polynomials and Backus-Gilbert. Important:

$$\lim_{\sigma \rightarrow 0} \lim_{V \rightarrow \infty} X_\sigma$$

LATTICE VS OPE



| | |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| m_b^{kin} (JLQCD) | 2.70 ± 0.04 |
| $\bar{m}_c(2 \text{ GeV})$ (JLQCD) | 1.10 ± 0.02 |
| m_b^{kin} (ETMC) | 2.39 ± 0.08 |
| $\bar{m}_c(2 \text{ GeV})$ (ETMC) | 1.19 ± 0.04 |
| μ_π^2 | 0.57 ± 0.15 |
| ρ_D^3 | 0.22 ± 0.06 |
| $\mu_G^2(m_b)$ | 0.37 ± 0.10 |
| ρ_{LS}^3 | -0.13 ± 0.10 |
| $\alpha_s^{(4)}(2 \text{ GeV})$ | 0.301 ± 0.006 |

OPE inputs from fits to exp data (physical m_b), HQE of meson masses on lattice

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We include $O(1/m_b^3)$ and $O(\alpha_s)$ terms

Hard scale $\sqrt{m_c^2 + \mathbf{q}^2} \sim 1 - 1.5 \text{ GeV}$

We do not expect OPE to work at high $|\mathbf{q}|$

Twisted boundary conditions allow for any value of \vec{q}^2

Smaller statistical uncertainties

