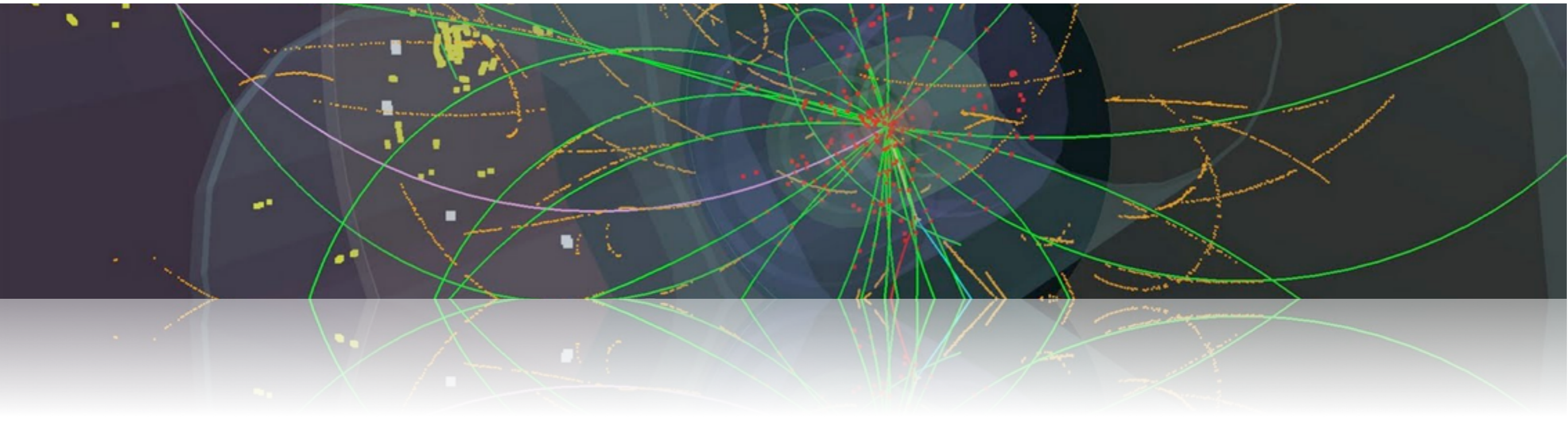


# Lecture 3 Cross Section Measurements

## Ingredients to a Cross Section



# Prerequisites and Reminders ...

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Natural Units

Four-Vector Kinematics

Lorentz Transformation

Lorentz Boost

Lorentz Invariance

Rapidity etc.

Invariant Mass

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...

$$\hbar = 1, c = 1$$

$$\hbar c = 197.3 \text{ MeV fm}$$

$$(\hbar c)^2 = 0.3894 \text{ GeV}^2 \text{ mb}$$

$$p = (E, \vec{p})$$

$$p^2 = E^2 - \vec{p}^2 = m^2$$

$$\beta = p/E, \gamma = E/m$$

$$p_1 \cdot p_2 = E_1 E_2 - \vec{p}_1 \cdot \vec{p}_2$$

4-vector scalar product

Lorentz invariant

→ All quantities like cross sections etc.  
should be in terms of scalar products of 4-vectors ...

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$$\boldsymbol{p} = (E, \vec{p})$$

Particle momentum as seen  
in laboratory frame ...

$$\boldsymbol{p}^* = (E^*, \vec{p}^*)$$

Particle momentum as viewed from a  
frame moving with velocity  $\beta_f$  ...

Lorentz Transformation:

$$E^* = \gamma_f \cdot E - \gamma_f \beta_f \cdot p_{\parallel}$$

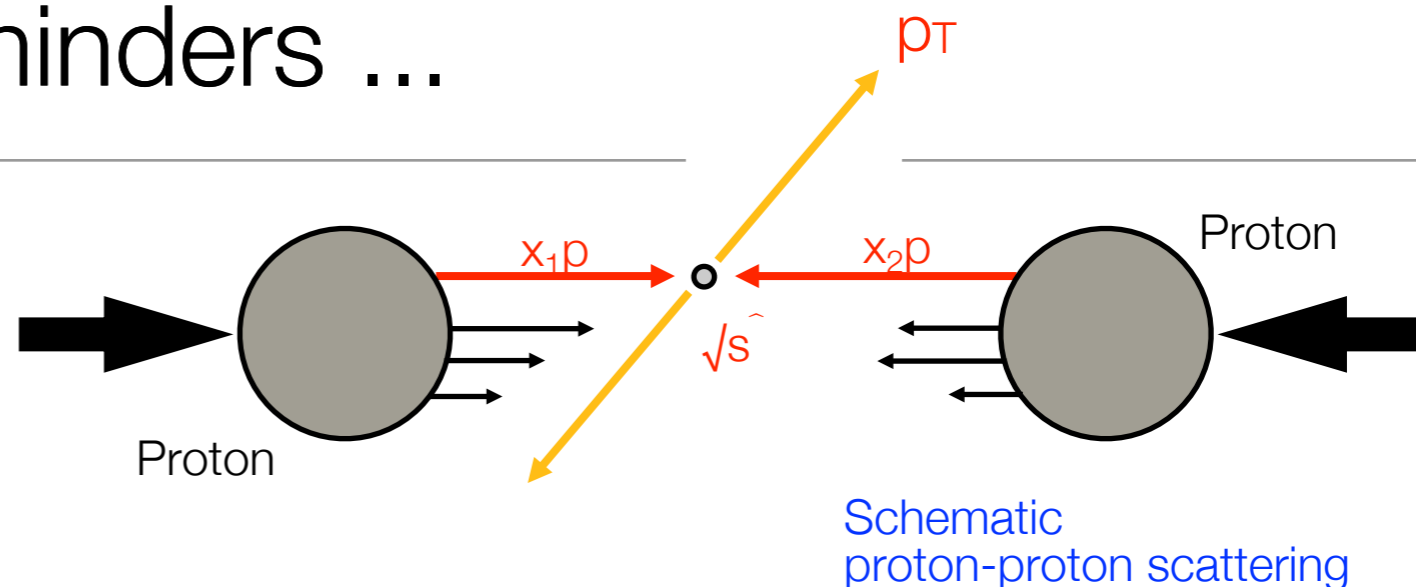
$$p_{\parallel}^* = \gamma_f \cdot p_{\parallel} - \gamma_f \beta_f \cdot E$$

$$p_T^* = p_T$$

$$\text{with } \gamma_f = (1 - \beta_f^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

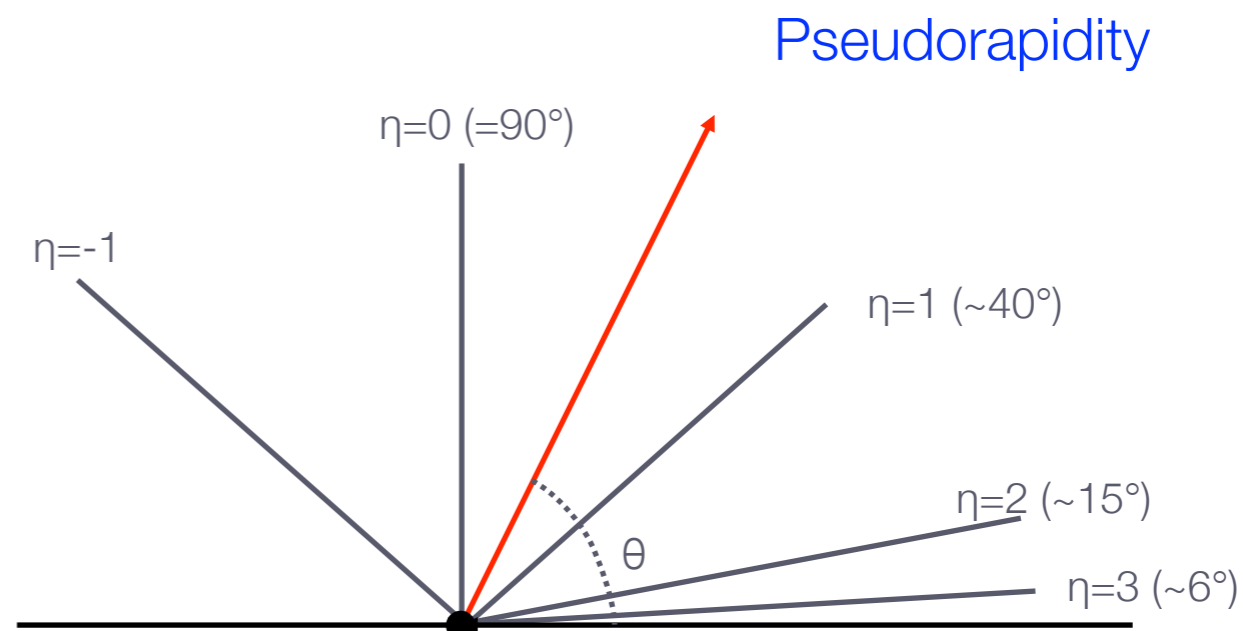
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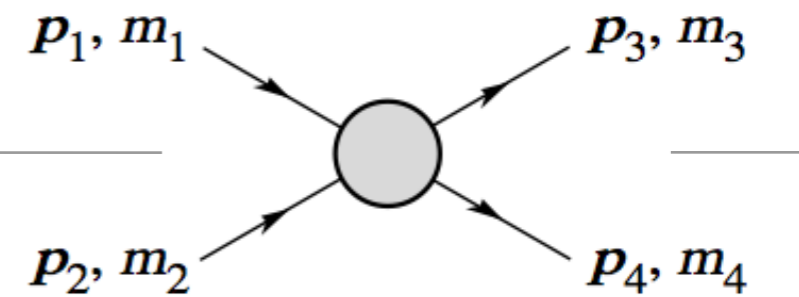
Relevant kinematic variables:

- Transverse momentum:  $p_T$
- Rapidity:  $y = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \ln \frac{E-p_z}{E+p_z}$
- Pseudorapidity:  $\eta = -\ln \tan \frac{1}{2}\theta$
- Azimuthal angle:  $\phi$



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Invariant Mass:

$$\begin{aligned} M^2 &= (p_1 + p_2)^2 \\ &= (E_1 + E_2)^2 - (\vec{p}_1 + \vec{p}_2)^2 \\ &= m_1^2 + m_2^2 + 2E_1 E_2 (1 - \vec{\beta}_1 \vec{\beta}_2) \end{aligned}$$

Center-of-mass Energy:

$$E_{\text{cm}} = \left[ (E_1 + E_2)^2 - (\vec{p}_1 + \vec{p}_2)^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Particle 2 at rest:

$$E_{\text{cm}} = \left[ m_1^2 + m_2^2 + 2E_1 m_2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Particle Collider:

$$[E_1 = E_2; \vec{p}_1 = -\vec{p}_2; m_1 = m_2 \approx 0]$$

$$E_{\text{cm}} = 2E$$

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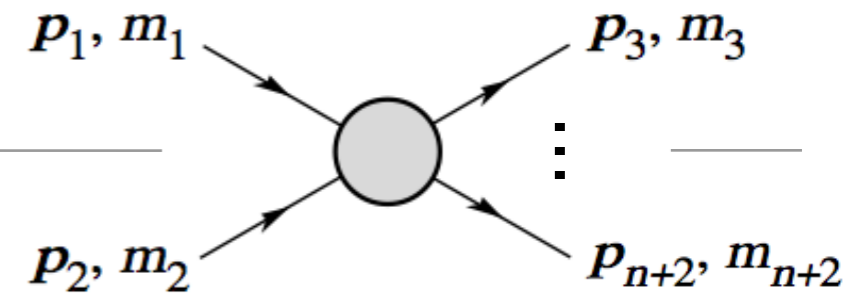
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Differential  
 Cross Section:

Matrix element

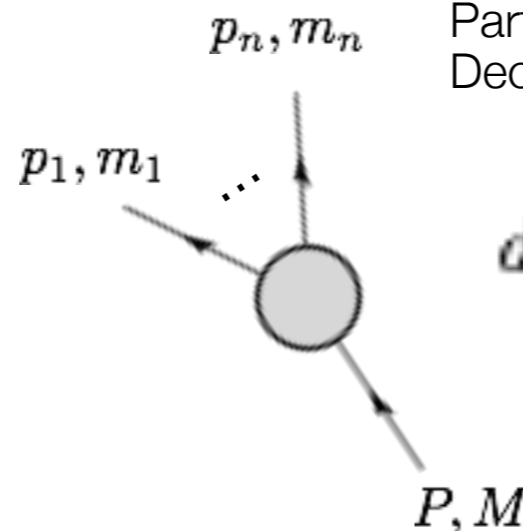
$$d\sigma = \frac{(2\pi)^4 |\mathcal{M}|^2}{4\sqrt{(p_1 \cdot p_2)^2 - m_1^2 m_2^2}} \times d\Phi_n(p_1 + p_2; p_3, \dots, p_{n+2})$$

n-body  
 phase space

$$d\Phi_n = \dots = \delta^4(P - \sum_{i=1}^n p_i) \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{d^3 p_i}{(2\pi)^3 2E_i}$$

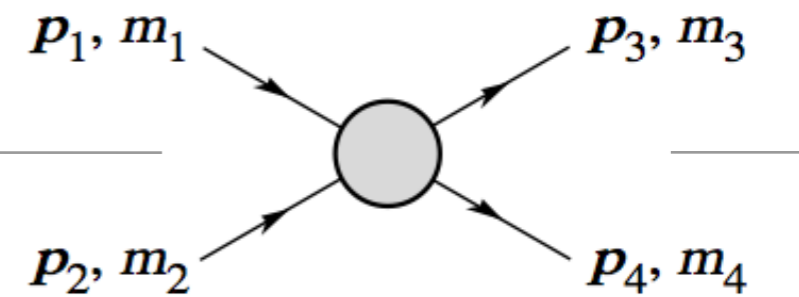
Partial  
 Decay Rate:

with  $P = p_1 + p_2$



$$d\Gamma = \frac{(2\pi)^4}{2M} |\mathcal{M}|^2 \times d\Phi_n(P; p_1, \dots, p_n)$$

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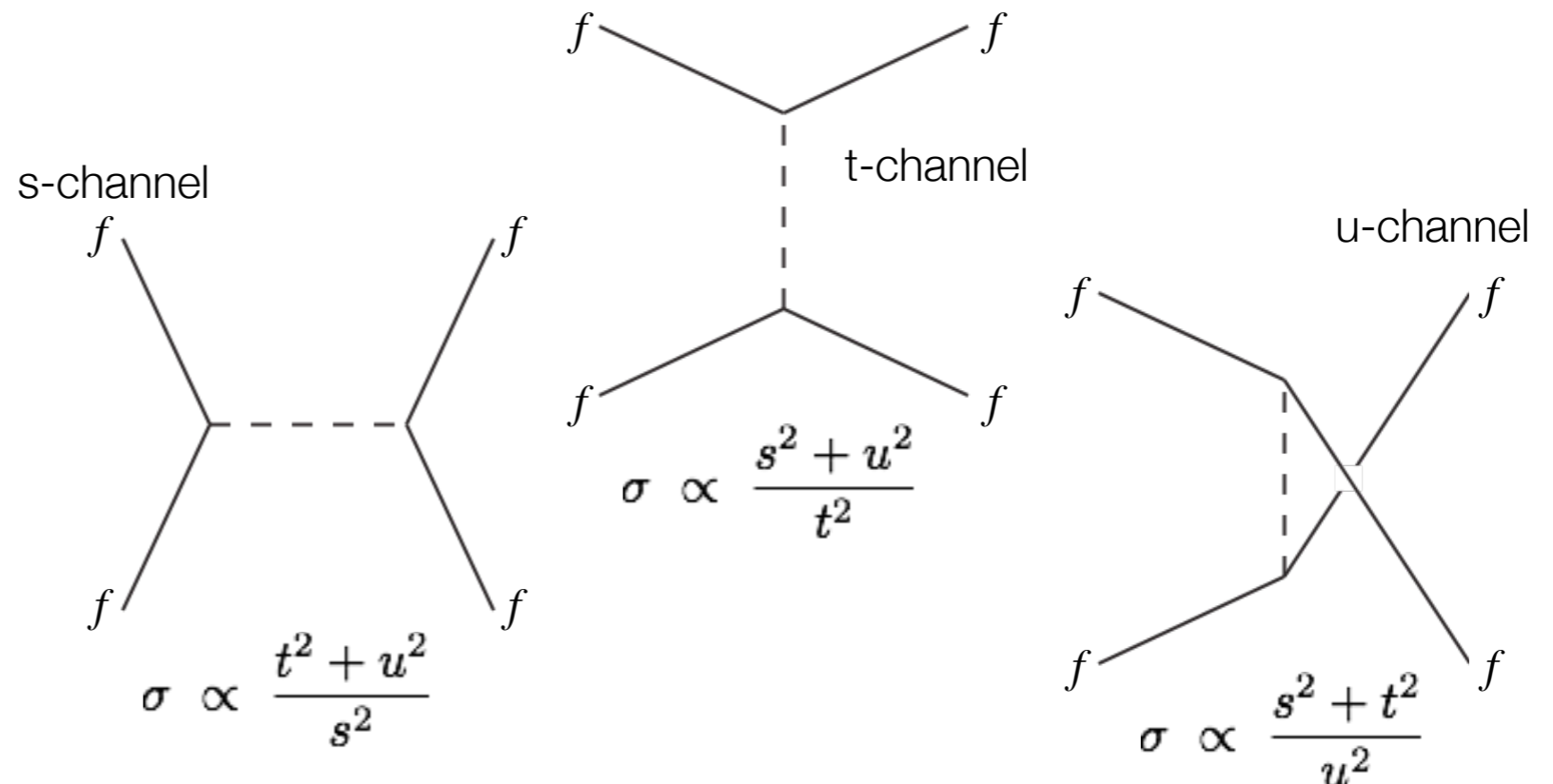
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Mandelstam variables:

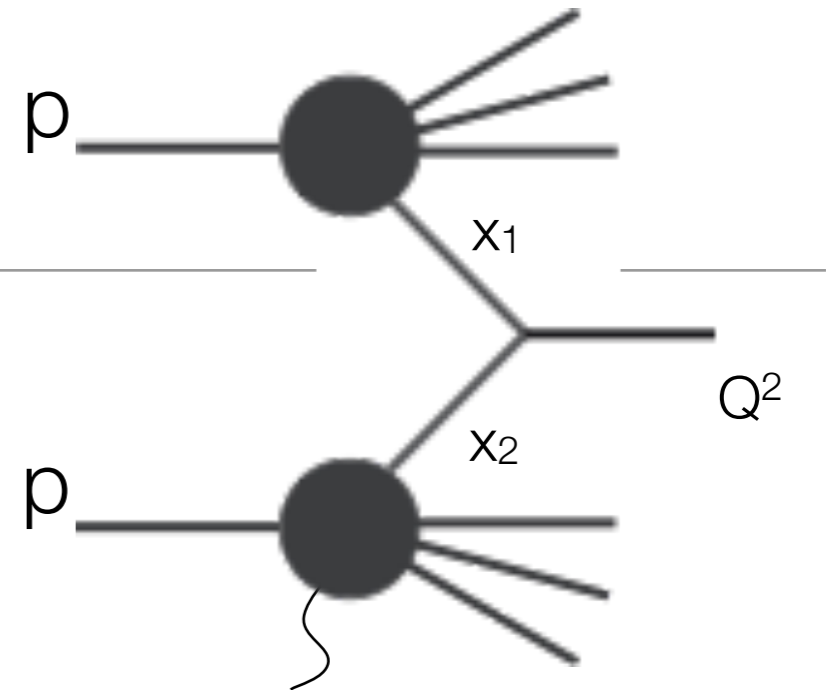
$$s = (p_1 + p_2)^2 = (p_3 + p_4)^2$$

$$t = (p_1 - p_3)^2 = (p_2 - p_4)^2$$

$$u = (p_1 - p_4)^2 = (p_2 - p_3)^2$$



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Proton-Proton  
Cross Section:

$$\sigma = \sum_{ij} \int dx_1 dx_2 f_i(x_1, Q^2) f_j(x_2, Q^2) \hat{\sigma}(Q^2)$$

Parton content:

$$f(x, Q^2) = q(x, Q^2) \text{ or } g(x, Q^2)$$

$x_{1,2}$  : Bjorken-x  
fractional momentum of parton  
involve in hard process

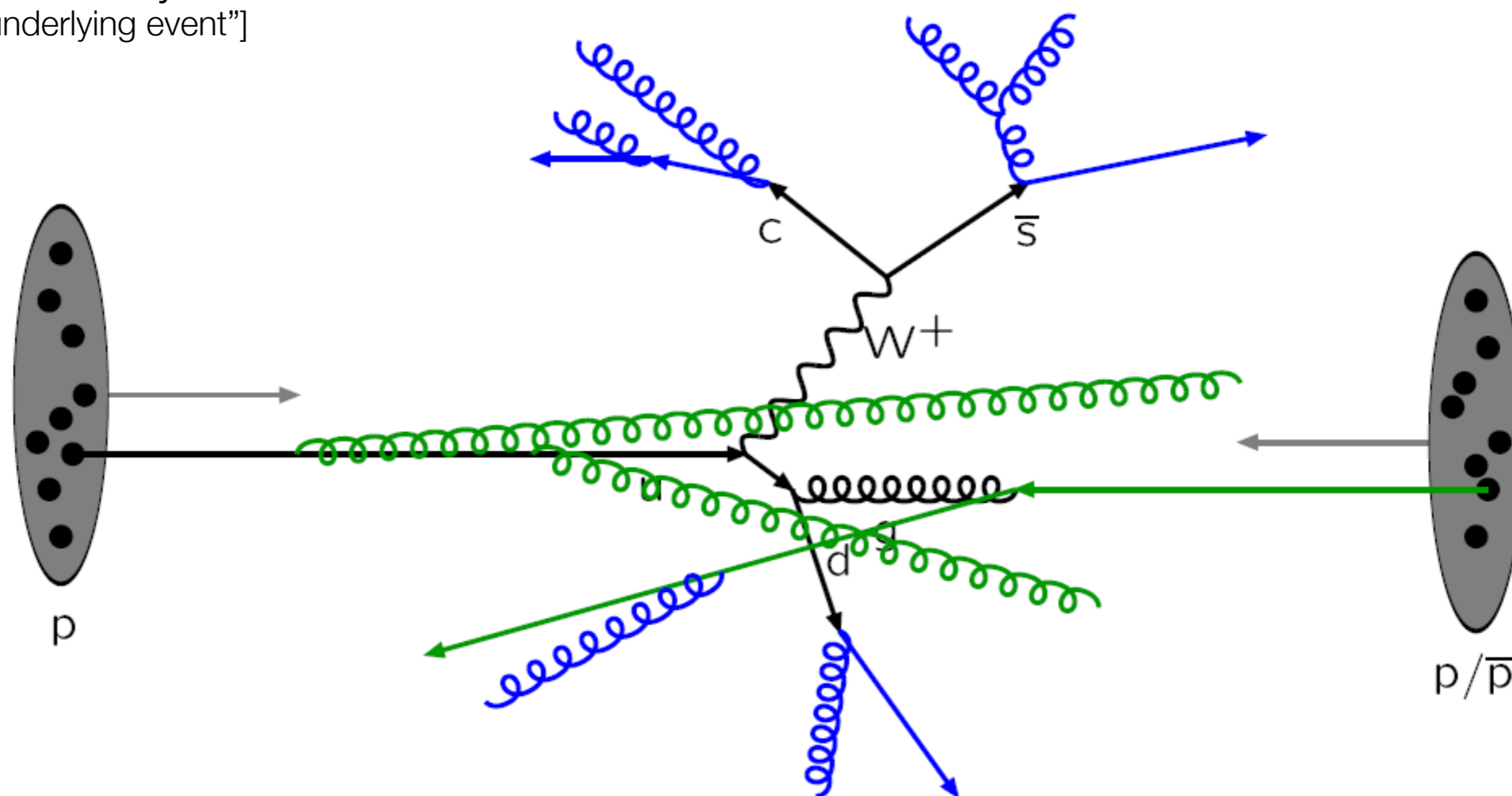
$Q^2$  : scale; spatial resolution  
invariant parton-parton mass

$f$  : Parton Distribution function  
measured e.g. at HERA ...



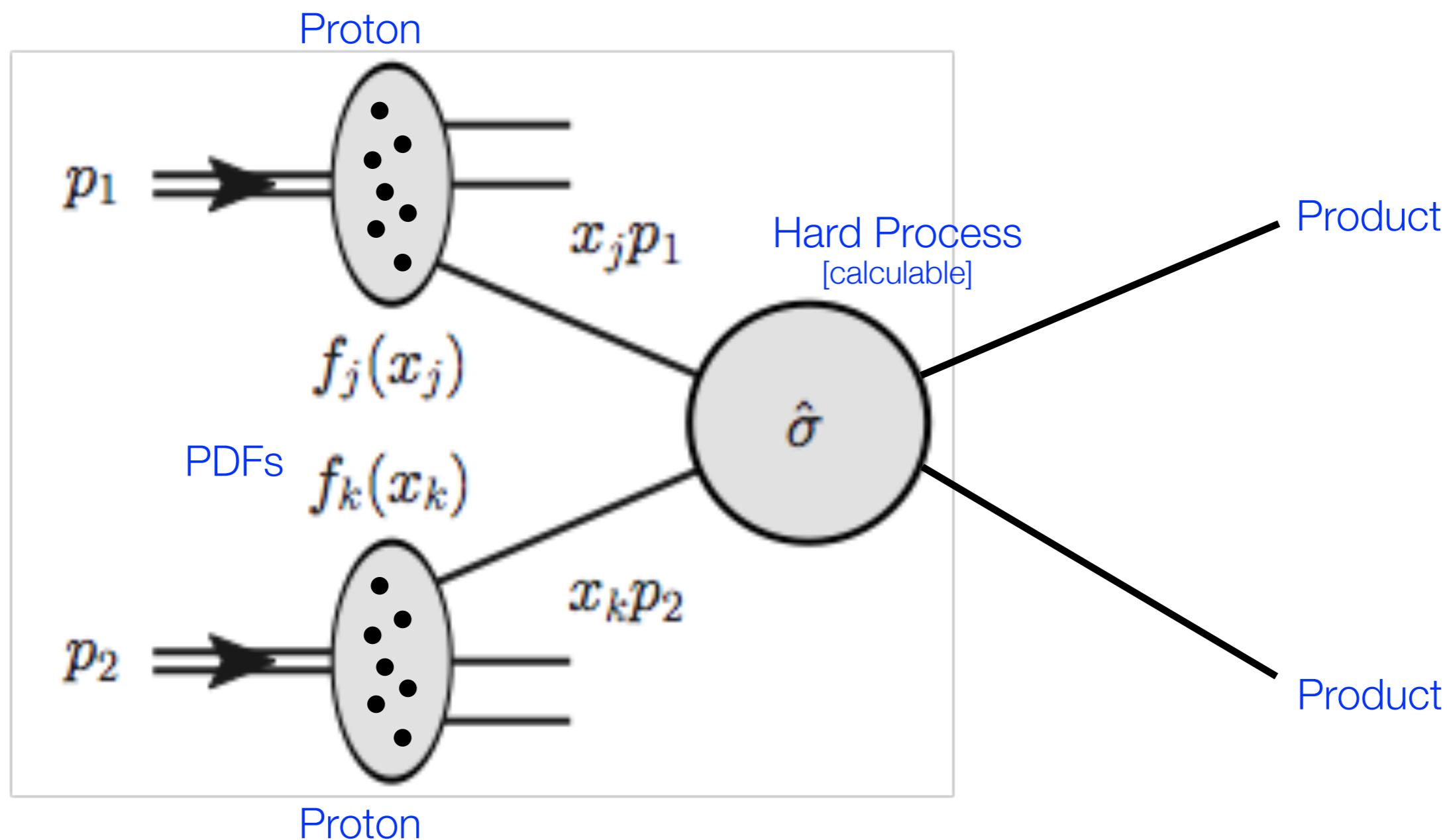
# Proton-Proton Scattering @ LHC

- Hard interaction:  $qq$ ,  $gg$ ,  $qg$  fusion
- Initial State Radiation (ISR)
- Secondary Interaction  
[“underlying event”]



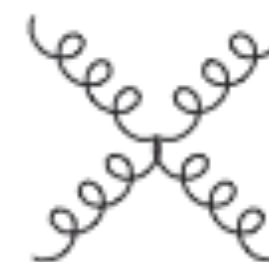
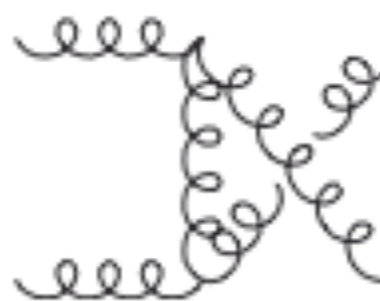
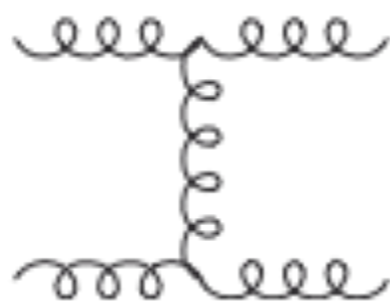
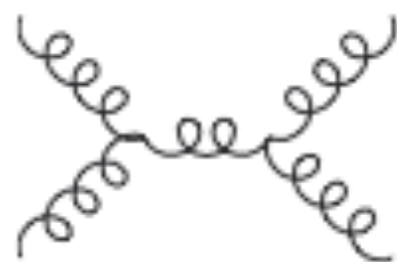
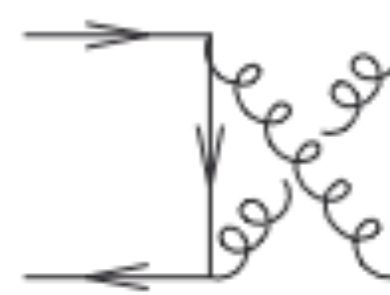
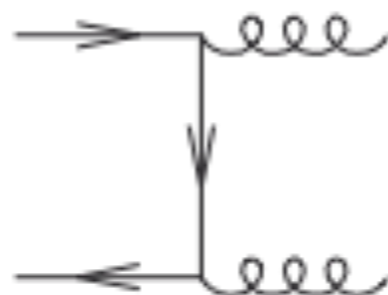
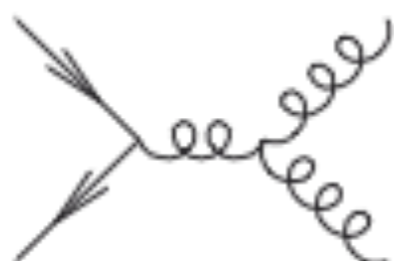
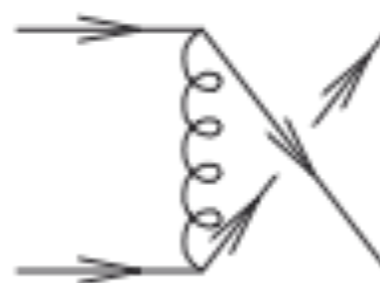
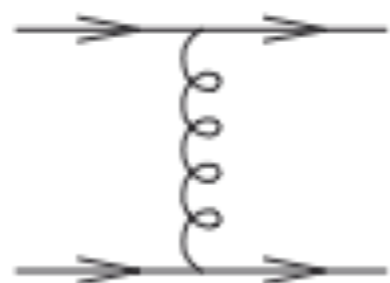
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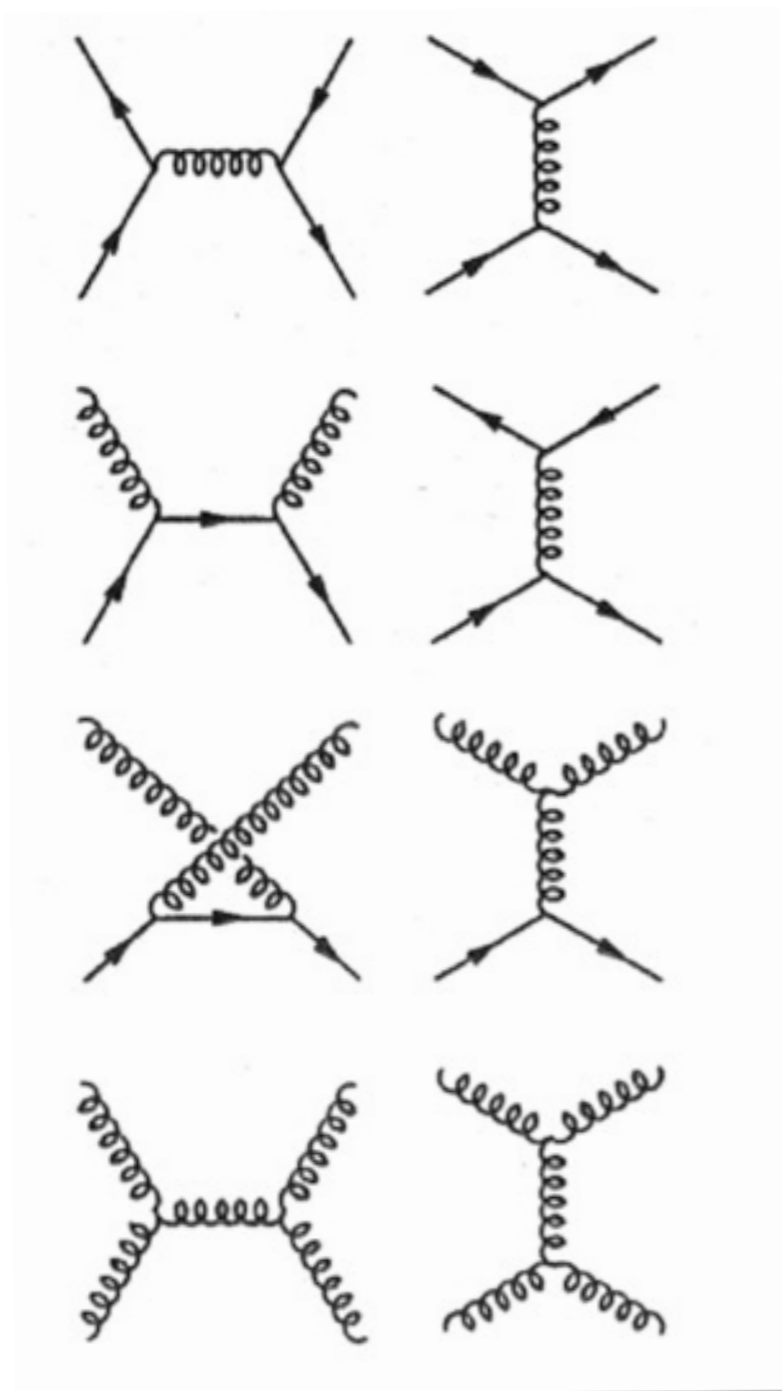


# Some Hard Processes ...

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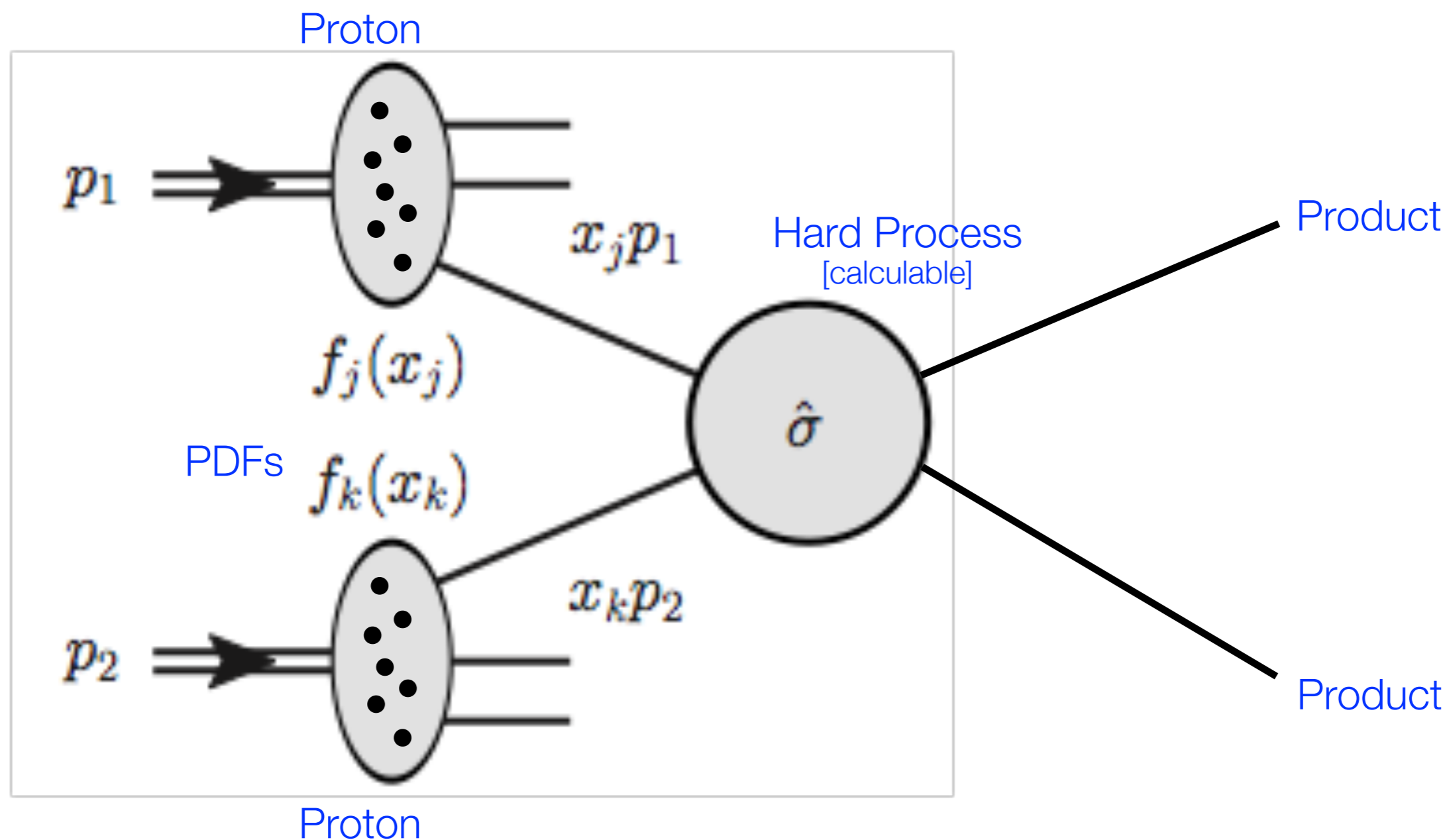
# QCD Matrix Elements



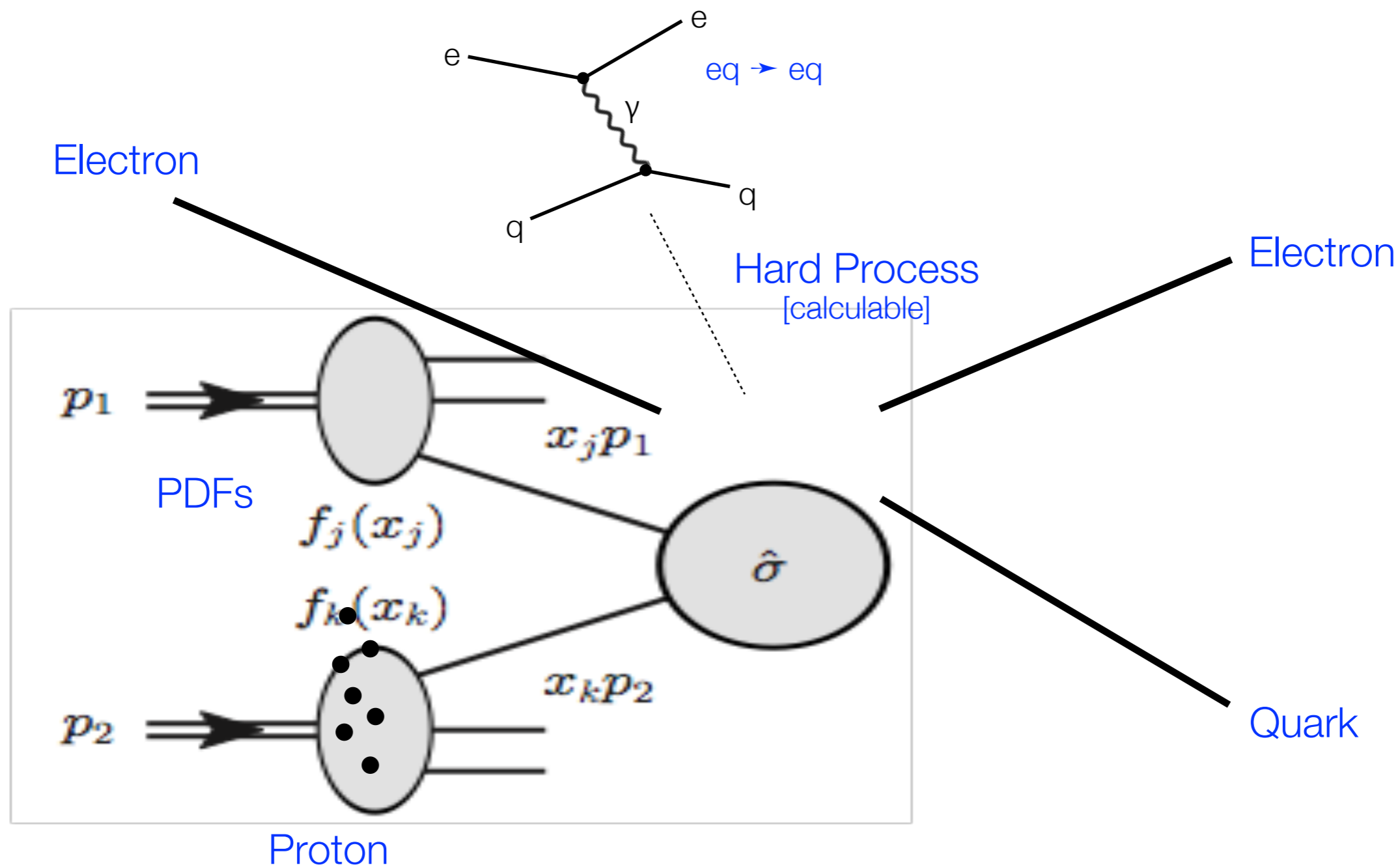
Subprocess	$ \mathcal{M} ^2/g_s^4$	$ \mathcal{M}(90^\circ) ^2/g_s^4$
$qq' \rightarrow qq'$ $q\bar{q}' \rightarrow q\bar{q}'$	$\frac{4}{9} \frac{\hat{s}^2 + \hat{u}^2}{\hat{t}^2}$	2.2
$qq \rightarrow qq$	$\frac{4}{9} \left( \frac{\hat{s}^2 + \hat{u}^2}{\hat{t}^2} + \frac{\hat{s}^2 + \hat{t}^2}{\hat{u}^2} \right) - \frac{8}{27} \frac{\hat{s}^2}{\hat{u}\hat{t}}$	3.3
$q\bar{q} \rightarrow q'\bar{q}'$	$\frac{4}{9} \frac{\hat{t}^2 + \hat{u}^2}{\hat{s}^2}$	0.2
$q\bar{q} \rightarrow q\bar{q}$	$\frac{4}{9} \left( \frac{\hat{s}^2 + \hat{u}^2}{\hat{t}^2} + \frac{\hat{t}^2 + \hat{u}^2}{\hat{s}^2} \right) - \frac{8}{27} \frac{\hat{u}^2}{\hat{s}\hat{t}}$	2.6
$q\bar{q} \rightarrow gg$	$\frac{32}{27} \frac{\hat{u}^2 + \hat{t}^2}{\hat{u}\hat{t}} - \frac{8}{3} \frac{\hat{u}^2 + \hat{t}^2}{\hat{s}^2}$	1.0
$gg \rightarrow q\bar{q}$	$\frac{1}{6} \frac{\hat{u}^2 + \hat{t}^2}{\hat{u}\hat{t}} - \frac{3}{8} \frac{\hat{u}^2 + \hat{t}^2}{\hat{s}^2}$	0.1
$qg \rightarrow qg$	$\frac{\hat{s}^2 + \hat{u}^2}{\hat{t}^2} - \frac{4}{9} \frac{\hat{s}^2 + \hat{u}^2}{\hat{u}\hat{s}}$	6.1
$gg \rightarrow gg$	$\frac{9}{4} \left( \frac{\hat{s}^2 + \hat{u}^2}{\hat{t}^2} + \frac{\hat{s}^2 + \hat{t}^2}{\hat{u}^2} + \frac{\hat{u}^2 + \hat{t}^2}{\hat{s}^2} + 3 \right)$	30.4

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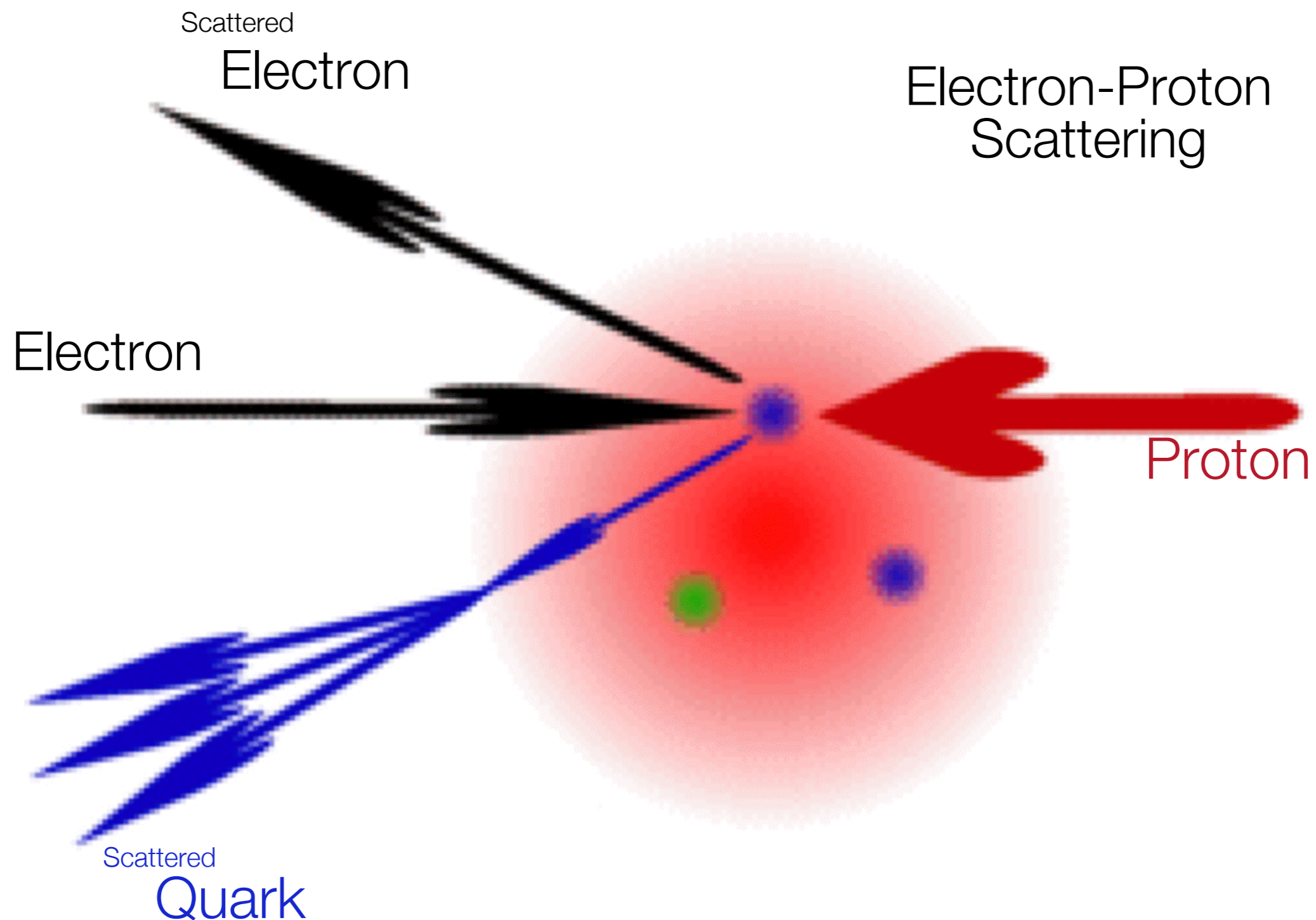


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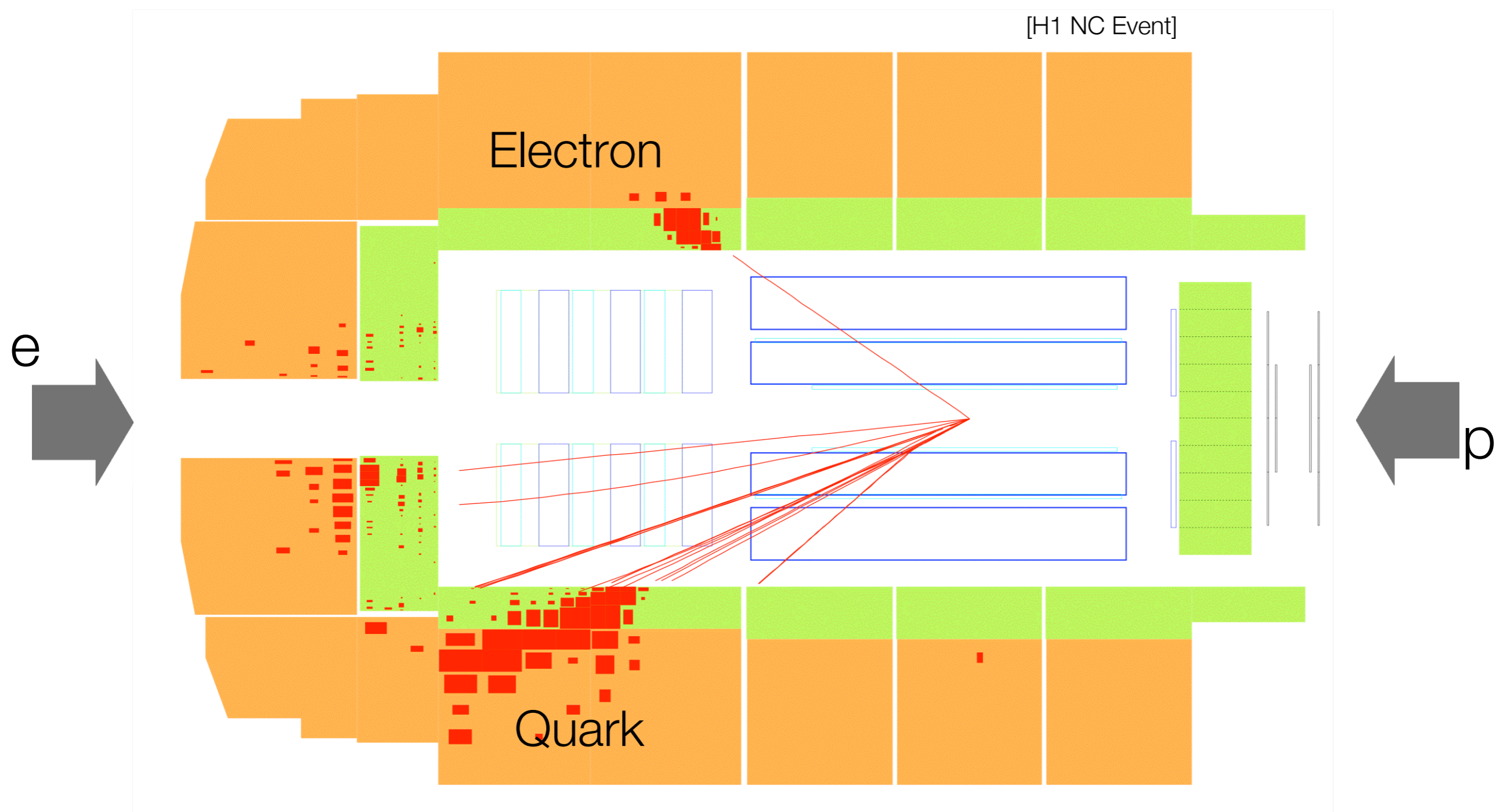


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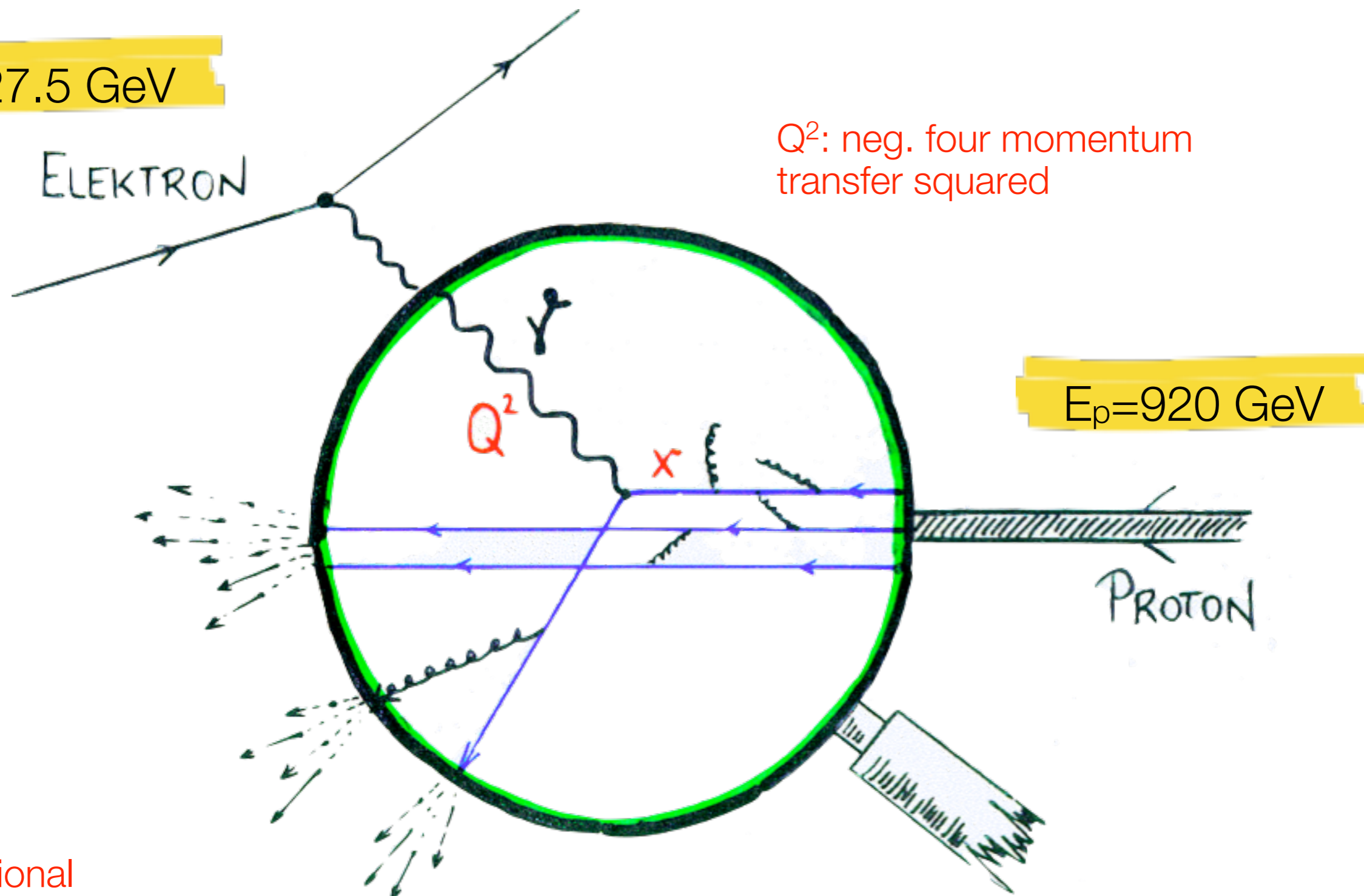
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$E_e = 27.5 \text{ GeV}$

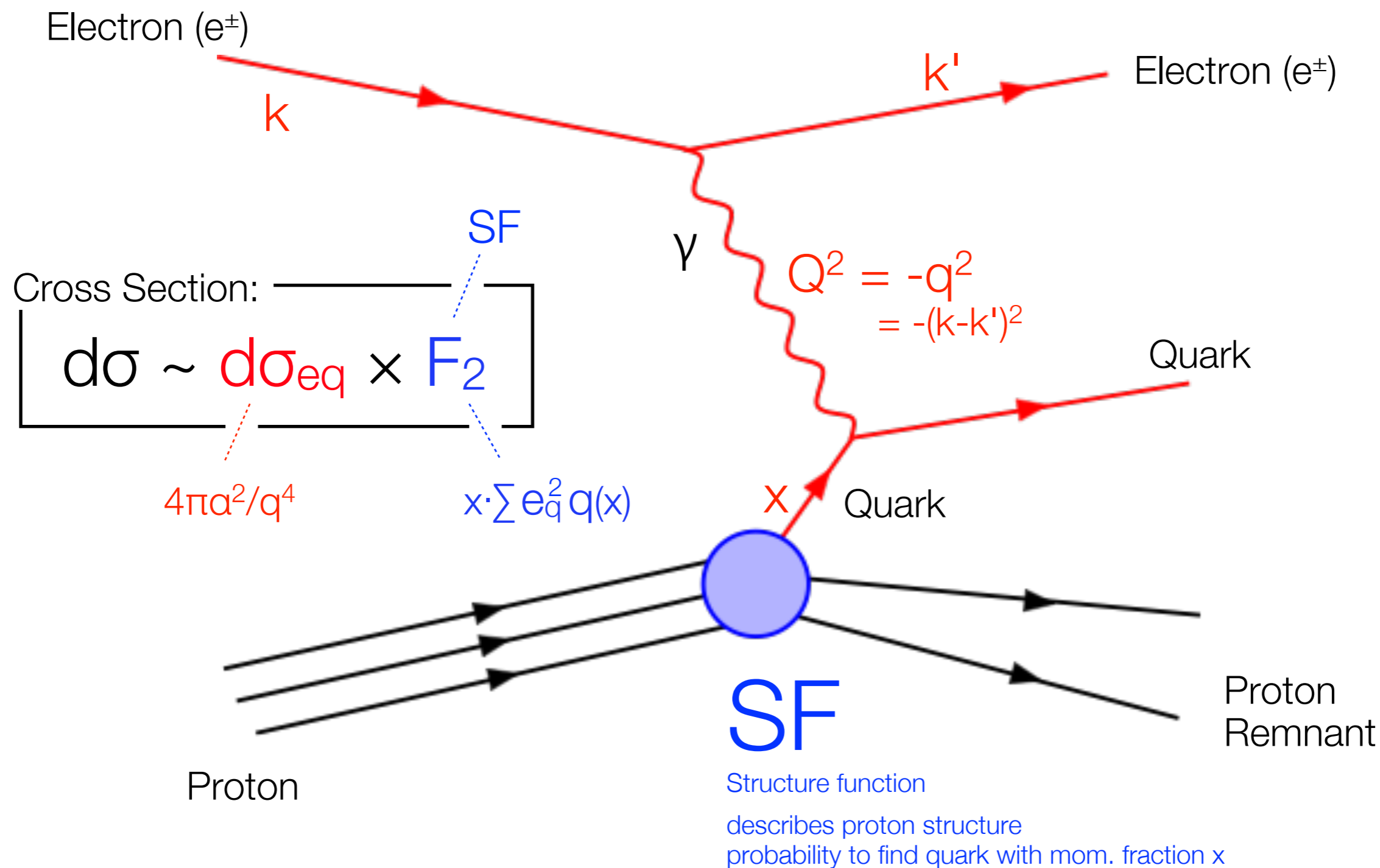


$Q^2$ : neg. four momentum transfer squared

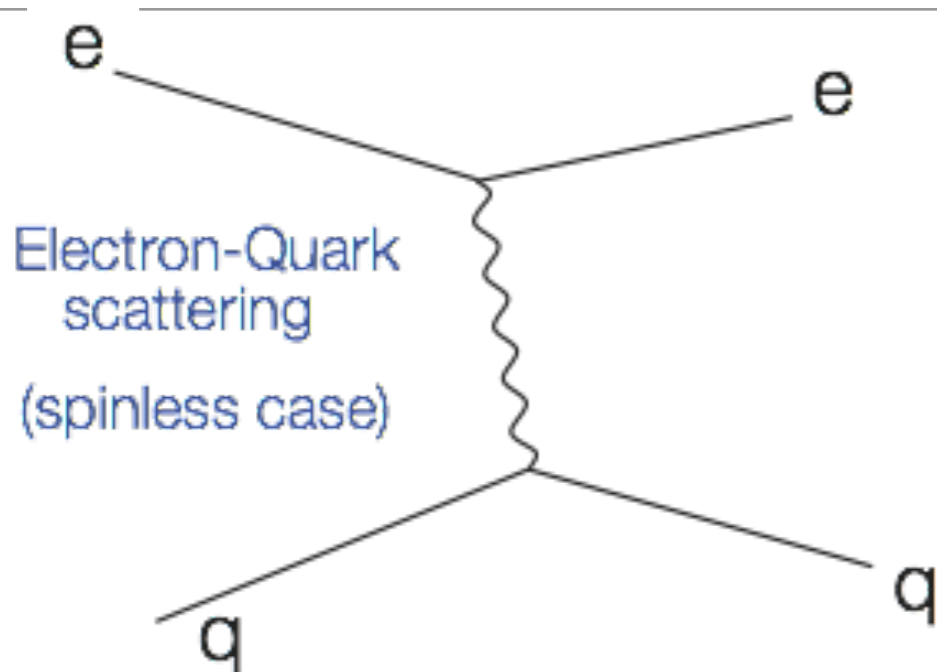
$E_p = 920 \text{ GeV}$

$x$  : fractional momentum of struck quark

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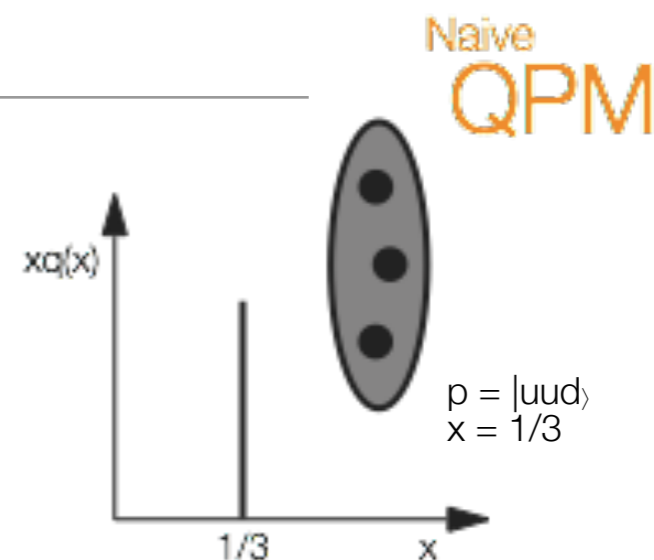


# Structure Function $F_2$



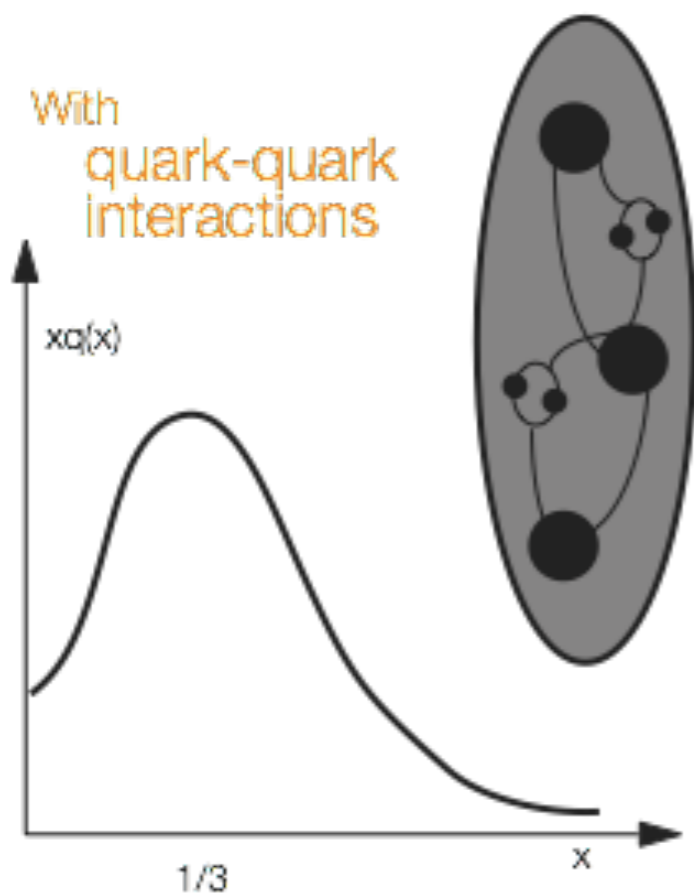
$$\frac{d\sigma(eq)}{dq^2} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{q^4} e_q^2$$

Rutherford scattering  
on pointlike target



$$\frac{d\sigma(ep)}{dq^2} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{q^4} [2e_u^2 + e_d^2] = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{q^4}$$

With  
quark-quark  
interactions

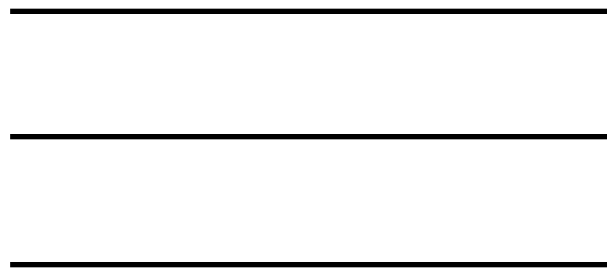


$$\frac{d\sigma(ep)}{dx dq^2} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{q^4} [e_u^2 u(x) + e_d^2 d(x) + \dots]$$

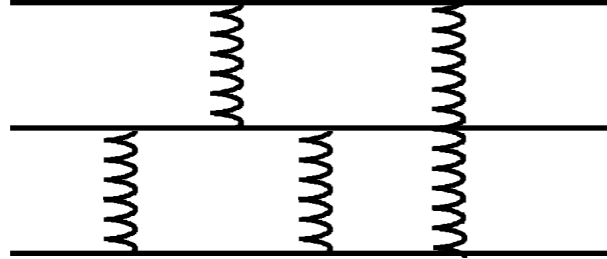
$$= \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{q^4} \frac{F_2(x)}{x}$$

QPM: Structure Functions  $F_2$  independent of  $Q^2$

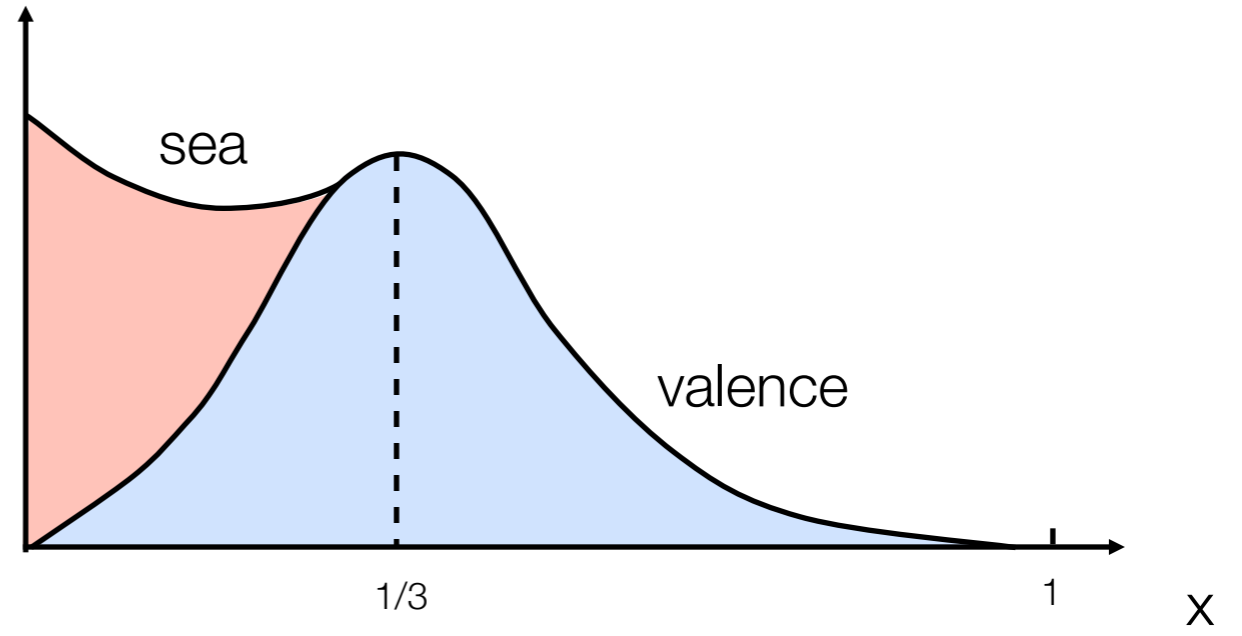
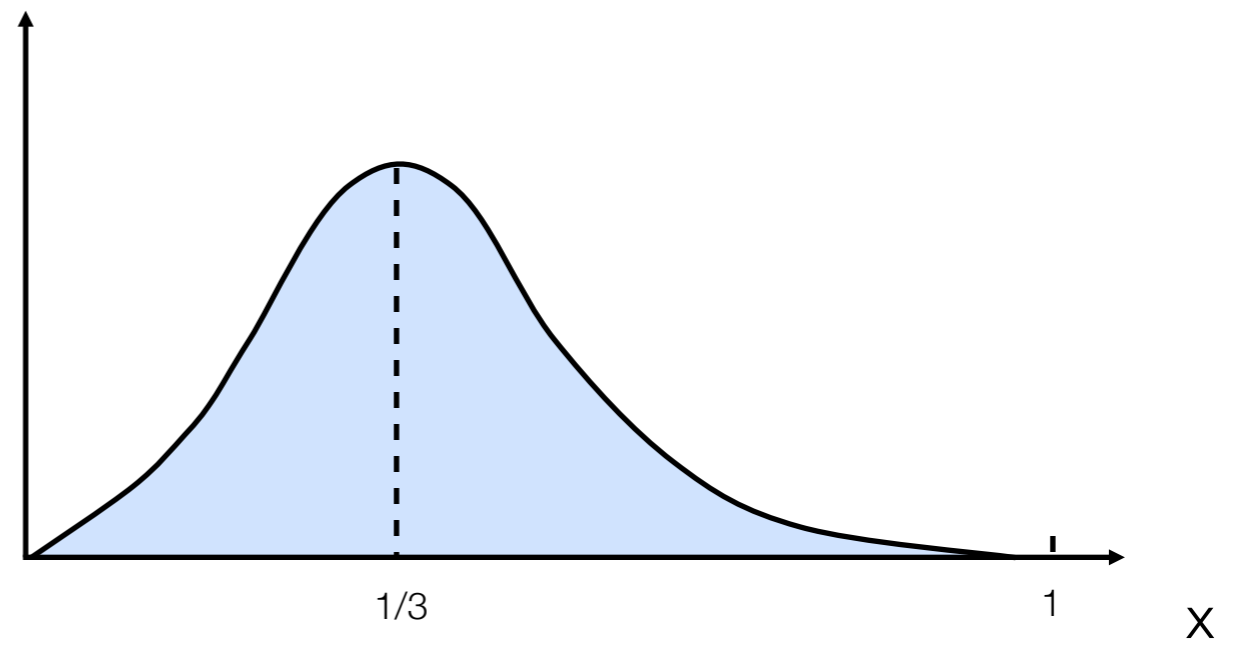
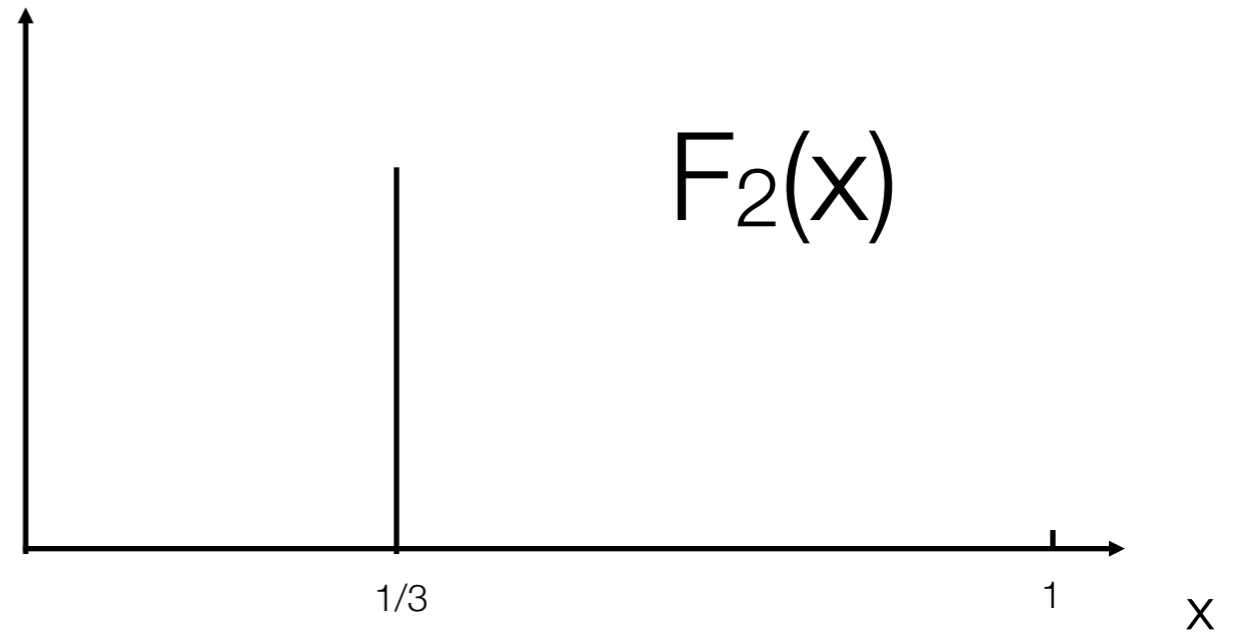
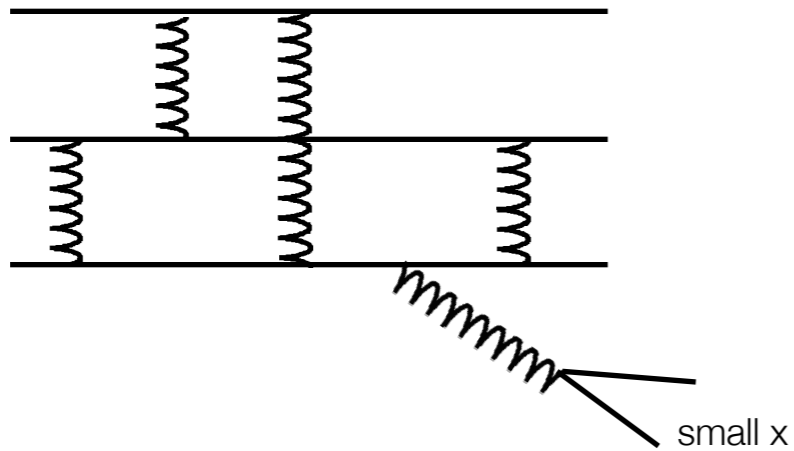
Proton Three valence quarks



Proton Three bound valence quarks



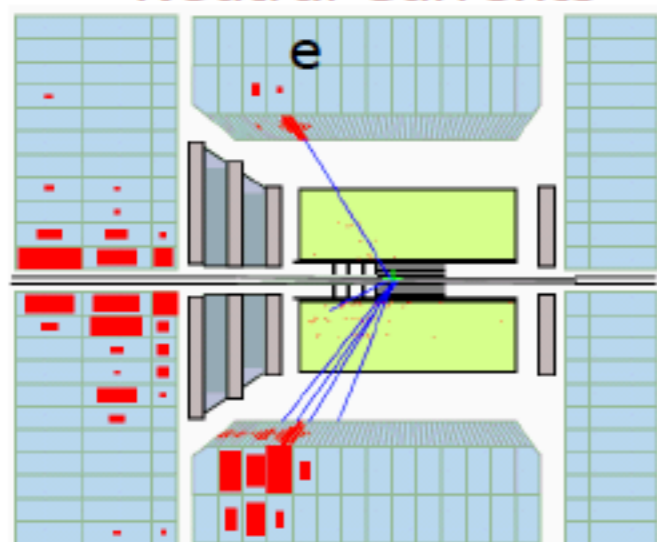
Proton Bound valence quarks + gluon radiation



# ep Scattering at HERA

DIS cross sections provide an access to parton distribution functions in proton:

## Neutral Currents



$$\frac{d^2\sigma_{NC}^{e^\pm p}}{dx dQ^2} = \frac{2\pi\alpha^2}{xQ^4} \left[ Y_+ \tilde{F}_2^\pm \mp Y_- x \tilde{F}_3^\pm - y^2 \tilde{F}_L^\pm \right]$$

dominant contribution

important at high  $Q^2$

sizable at high  $y$

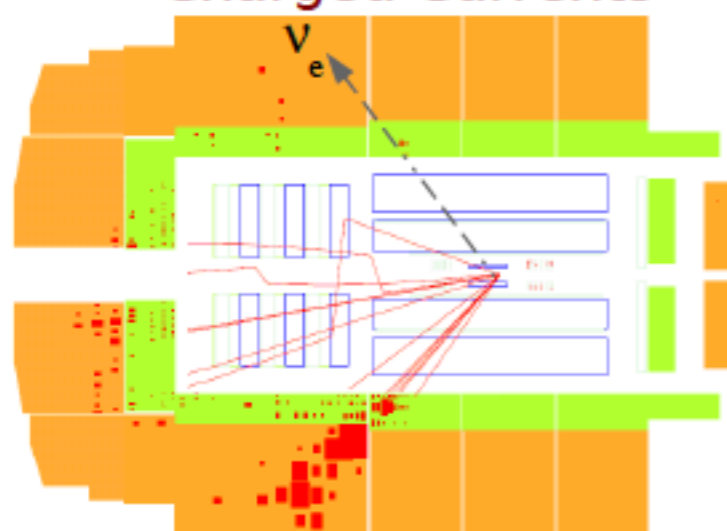
$$Y_\pm = 1 \pm (1-y)^2$$

PDFs

LO:  $F_2 \approx x \sum e_q^2 (q + \bar{q})$  (in NLO ( $\alpha_s g$ ) appears)

$$xF_3 \approx x \sum 2e_q a_q (q - \bar{q})$$

## Charged Currents

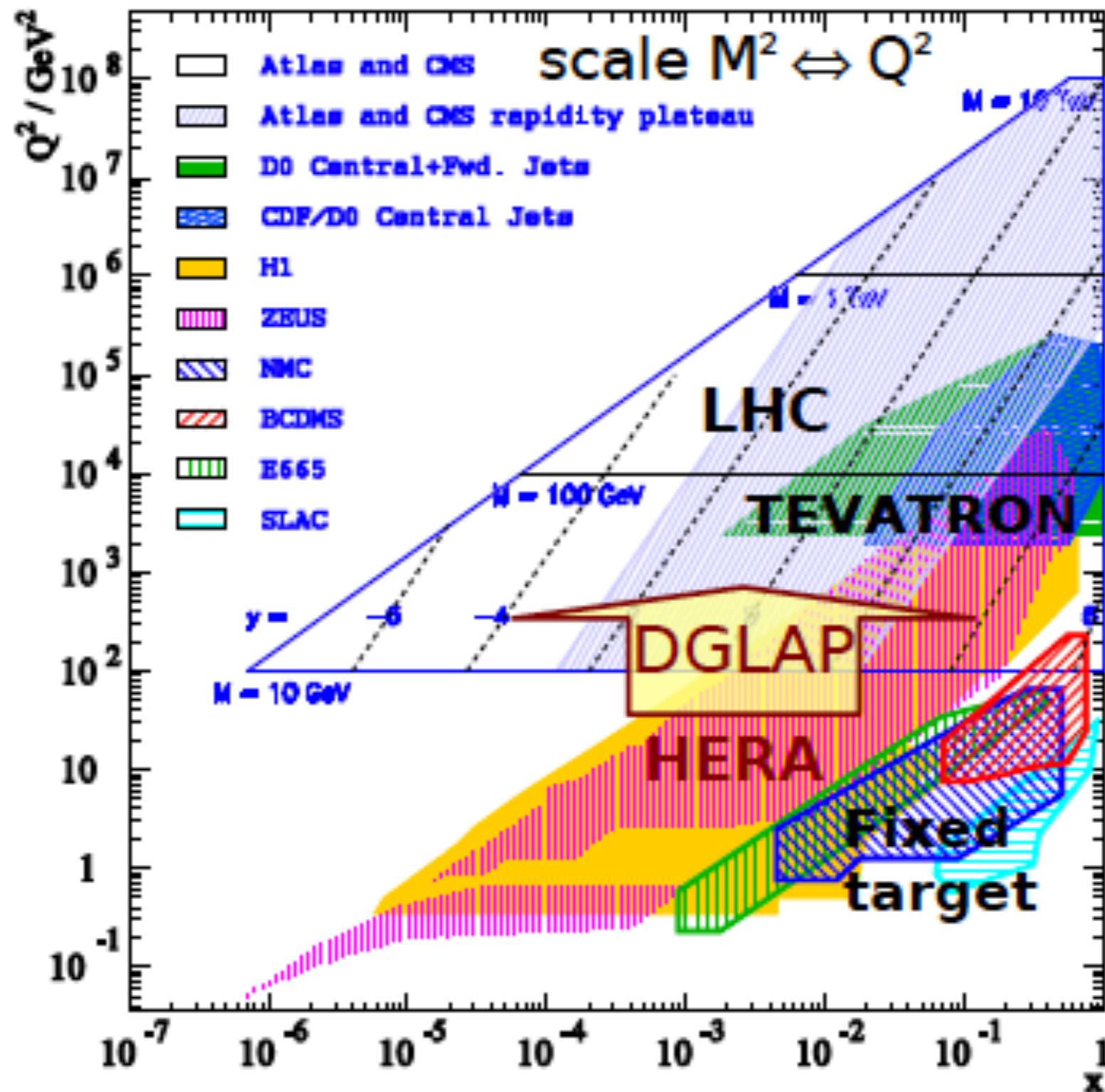


In LO  $e^+/e^-$  charged current cross sections are sensitive to different quark densities:

$$e^+ : \quad \tilde{\sigma}_{CC}^{e^+ p} = x[\bar{u} + \bar{c}] + (1-y)^2 x[d + s]$$

$$e^- : \quad \tilde{\sigma}_{CC}^{e^- p} = x[u + c] + (1-y)^2 x[\bar{d} + \bar{s}]$$

Which region  $x$ - $Q^2$  is seen by different experiments?



# Kinematics of DIS - 1

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## 8. Deep inelastic scattering.

In lepton-hadron scattering at sufficiently high energies one finds a large number of hadrons in the final state: this is *deep inelastic scattering* (DIS). The multiplicity of the hadronic system varies event by event. The reaction equation for electron-proton DIS is written as

$$e^- + p \rightarrow e^- + X \quad (84)$$

where  $X$  stands for the hadronic system with an arbitrary number of particles. A generic diagram depicting the DIS process is shown in Fig. 2.

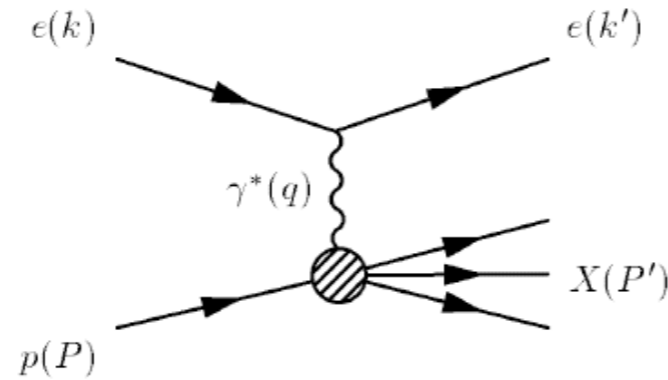


Figure 2: Generic diagram of deep inelastic scattering.

To describe the DIS reaction kinematics we denote the 4-momentum of the incoming electron by  $k = (E, 0, 0, k)$ , that of the target proton by  $P$  and those of the scattered electron and of the hadronic system by  $k'$  and  $P'$ , respectively. The exchanged virtual photon  $\gamma^*$  has 4-momentum  $q = k - k'$ . 4-momentum conservation demands

$$k + P = k' + P' \quad (85)$$

and we have the mass-shell conditions  $k^2 = k'^2 = m_e^2$  and  $P^2 = m_p^2$ . Since energies characteristic of DIS are at least of several GeV, the electron mass can be safely set equal to zero. Then we get for the square of the 4-momentum transfer  $q^2 = (k - k')^2 = -2EE'(1 - \cos\theta)$ , and we see that  $q^2 \leq 0$ , *i.e.* the exchanged photon is space-like.

# Kinematics of DIS - 2

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The invariant  $W^2 = P'^2$  is variable because of the variable multiplicity of particles in the hadronic system, each of which can have an arbitrary kinetic energy up to some maximum value. Therefore the complete kinematics of DIS is determined by three independent invariants rather than two as we are used to in elastic collisions. A natural choice of one of these invariants is the square of the total CMS energy  $S$ ,

$$S = (\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{P})^2 = m_p^2 + 2\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{P} \quad (86)$$

which is defined by the beam energy.

The second invariant is usually chosen to be the negative square of 4-momentum transfer:

$$Q^2 = -\mathbf{q}^2 = -(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{k}')^2 = 4EE' \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \quad (87)$$

The third independent invariant can be taken to be  $W$  or alternatively one of the dimensionless variables

$$x = \frac{Q^2}{2\mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{q}} \quad (88)$$

or

$$y = \frac{\mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{q}}{\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{P}} \quad (89)$$

where  $\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{k} - \mathbf{k}'$ .

The variable  $y$  has a simple physical meaning in the target rest frame where  $\mathbf{P} = (m_p, 0, 0, 0)$ ,  $\mathbf{k} = (E_{\text{LAB}}, 0, 0, E_{\text{LAB}})$ , and  $\mathbf{k}' = (E'_{\text{LAB}}, \vec{p}_3)$ , hence  $y = 1 - E'_{\text{LAB}}/E_{\text{LAB}}$ , *i.e.*  $y$  is the relative energy loss of the electron in the LAB frame.

The invariant  $x$  is the Bjorken scaling variable or simply Bjorken- $x$ . It was first recognised as an important variable of DIS by J.D. Bjorken who predicted the property of scaling in DIS which was subsequently confirmed experimentally.

Interesting is the expression of  $S$  in terms of the beam energies. In fixed target DIS we have the electron or muon beam with 4-momentum  $\mathbf{k} = (E, 0, 0, E)$  and the proton target with  $\mathbf{P} = (m_p, 0, 0, 0)$ , hence

$$S = m_p^2 + 2m_p E$$

whereas in an electron-proton collider like HERA we have 4-momenta  $\mathbf{P} = (E_p, 0, 0, E_p)$  and  $\mathbf{k} = (E_e, 0, 0, -E_e)$  and hence

$$S = 4E_e E_p$$



# Kinematics of DIS - 3

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Other useful relations between the various kinematical variables are the following:

$$Q^2 = xyS \quad (90)$$

and

$$W^2 = m_p^2 + Q^2(1/x - 1) \quad (91)$$

where in the latter formula we have kept the proton mass in order to indicate that the threshold of  $W$  corresponds to elastic scattering.

Within the framework of the parton model, DIS proceeds by the exchange of a photon or intermediate vector boson with only one of the quarks in the proton. This is shown in the diagram in Fig. 3.

The electron-quark collision is elastic. As a result of this collision the struck quark acquires a sufficient momentum to break away from the rest of the proton as far as the colour force allows it to travel. At this stage some of the binding energy is converted into the creation of a quark-antiquark pair from the vacuum; the antiquark combines with the original quark into a meson, leaving behind a quark which can give rise to the creation of another quark-antiquark

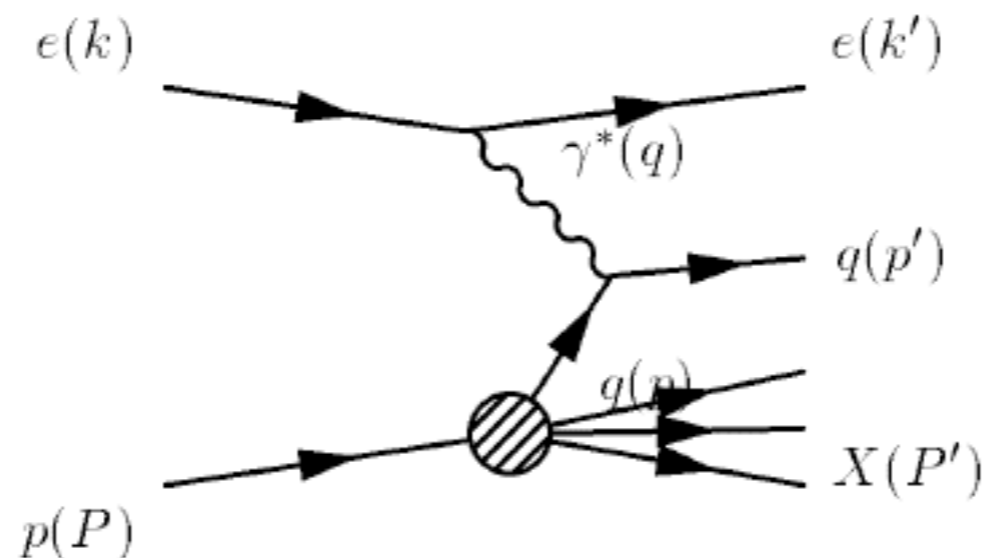


Figure 3: Parton model diagram of deep inelastic scattering.

# Kinematics of DIS - 4

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pair. This process, called *fragmentation*, continues until the remaining energy drops below the threshold for the creation of another pair. Thus, as a result of fragmentation, several mesons are created which travel roughly in the direction of the struck quark. Such a system of mesons, or more generally of hadrons, is called a *jet*. The residue of the proton is a highly unstable system: it has lost a quark, absorbed a quark presumably of the wrong sort that is left over from the fragmentation, and has absorbed a fraction of the energy transferred from the electron. Therefore it breaks up into several hadrons.

The elastic electron-quark collision is the *hard subprocess* of DIS. If we think of the incoming electron and proton as travelling in opposite directions, then the quark carries a fraction of the proton momentum. At a sufficiently high momentum, where the proton mass is negligible, the energy of the quark is the same fraction of the proton energy. It turns out that this fraction is identical with the Bjorken- $x$  defined above. Denoting the 4-momentum of the incoming quark by  $p$  we have therefore

$$p = xP$$

Denoting the invariant  $(k + p)^2$  by  $s$ , which is the squared CMS energy of the subprocess, we have therefore also

$$s = xS \tag{92}$$

This, together with the definition of  $Q^2$ , shows that the two independent invariants that control the kinematics of the subprocess are  $x$  and  $Q^2$ .

# Kinematics of DIS - 5

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The first DIS experiments were carried out in 1967 at the Stanford 2-mile linear electron accelerator with electron beams of up to 20 GeV and hydrogen targets at rest, giving a CMS energy of about 6 GeV. Subsequent fixed target experiments were done in other laboratories, notably at the CERN SPS with muon beams of up to nearly 300 GeV and hence of CMS energies up to about 25 GeV. The range of energies available for DIS was extended by an order of magnitude when in 1992 the electron-proton collider HERA came into operation at the DESY laboratory in Hamburg. In this collider the electrons are accelerated up to nearly 30 GeV and the protons up to 820 GeV, giving a CMS energy of 314 GeV. Theoretically the corresponding values of  $Q^2$  go up to about  $10^5$  GeV<sup>2</sup>.

An important tool to study the structure of the nucleon is also deep inelastic scattering with neutrinos as beam particles. The kinematics is identical with the one described above, but one must bare in mind that the exchanged particle in neutrino-DIS is an intermediate vector boson, either the  $W$  or the  $Z$ .

# $F_1$ and $F_2$

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$$F_1(x, Q^2) \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \sum_f Q_f^2 (q_f(x) + \bar{q}_f(x)). \quad (28)$$

The result in Eq. (28) demonstrates that  $F_1$  depends only on the dimensionless variable  $x = Q^2/2\nu$  in the deep inelastic limit, which is known as Bjorken scaling[5, 6]. The experimental observation of this scaling was the first direct evidence for point-like constituents in hadrons[7]. The quark distribution functions  $q_f(x)$ ,  $\bar{q}_f(x)$  defined by Eq. (26) for  $x \geq 0$  are an intrinsic non-perturbative property of the hadron  $H$ . They may be interpreted as momentum distributions for quarks and anti-quarks inside the hadron and in principle (though not yet in practice) they can be computed from a non-perturbative analysis in QCD. At present these distribution functions must simply be determined experimentally from (largely) DIS experiments. We also find that

$$F_2(x, Q^2) = 2xF_1(x, Q^2) = x \sum_f Q_f^2 (q_f(x) + \bar{q}_f(x)). \quad (29)$$

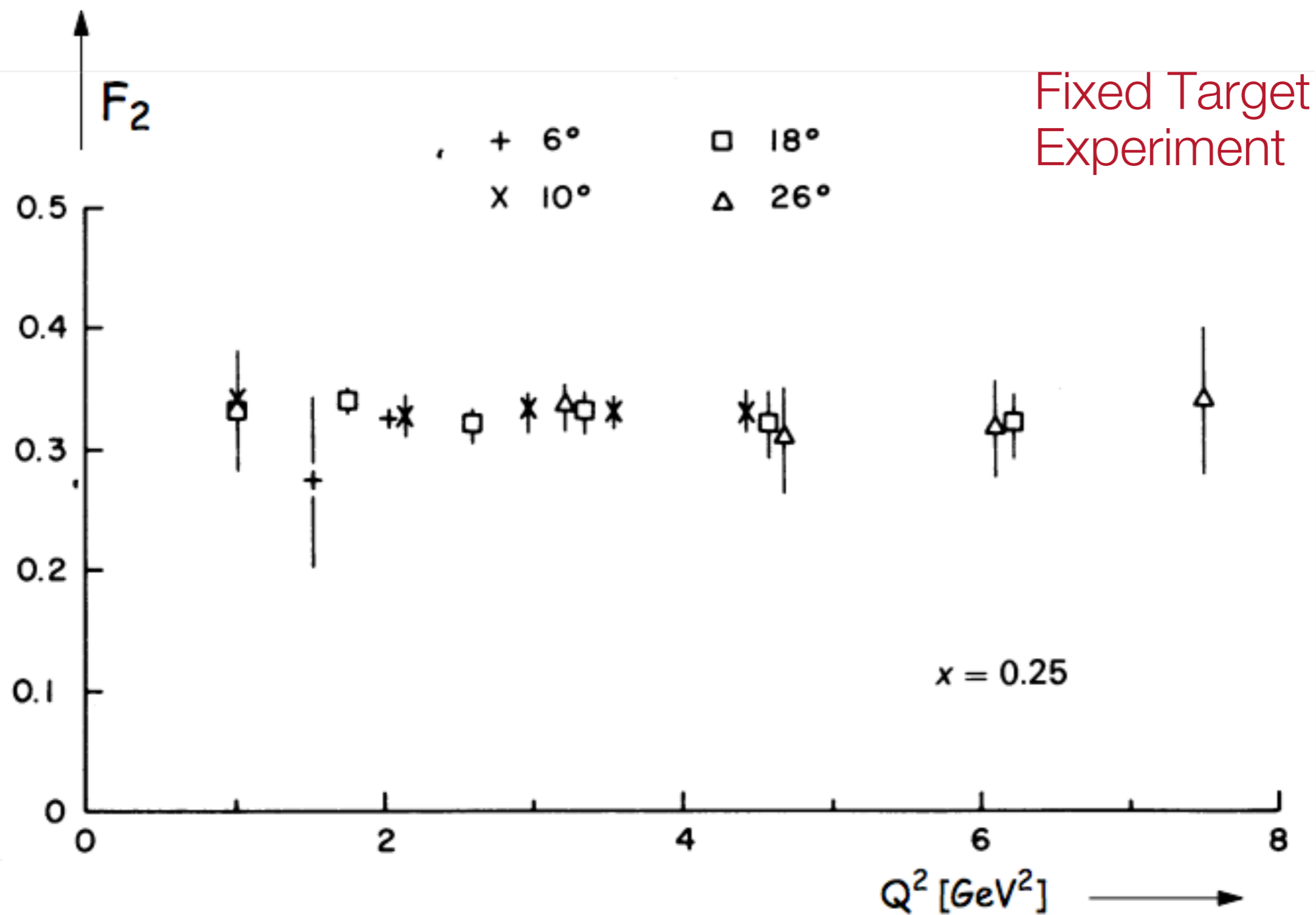
The form of the relation between  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  is a consequence of the spin 1/2 nature of the struck quark. The difference is proportional to the longitudinal structure function  $F_L(x, Q^2)$ , and is zero at lowest order due to helicity conservation[8].

Applying these results to deep inelastic scattering on a proton target the proton wavefunction is dominated by  $uud + \dots$  where the dots indicate  $uud$  plus further quarks (including heavy flavours). With notation  $q_u(x) = u(x)$ ,  $\bar{q}_u(x) = \bar{u}(x)$  etc,

$$F_{2,\text{proton}}(x, Q^2) \sim x \left( \frac{4}{9}(u(x) + \bar{u}(x)) + \frac{1}{9}(d(x) + \bar{d}(x)) + \text{heavy flavours} \right). \quad (30)$$

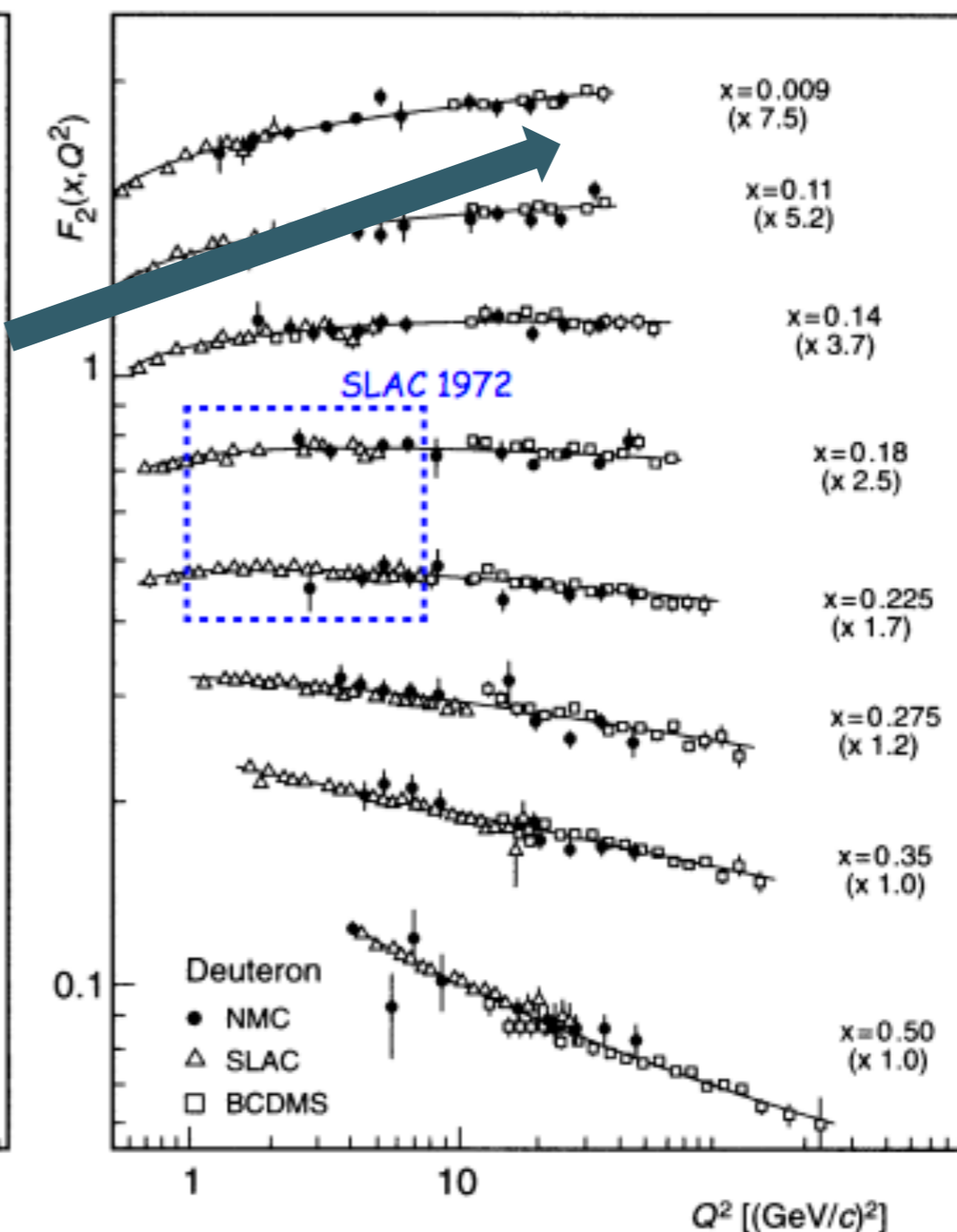
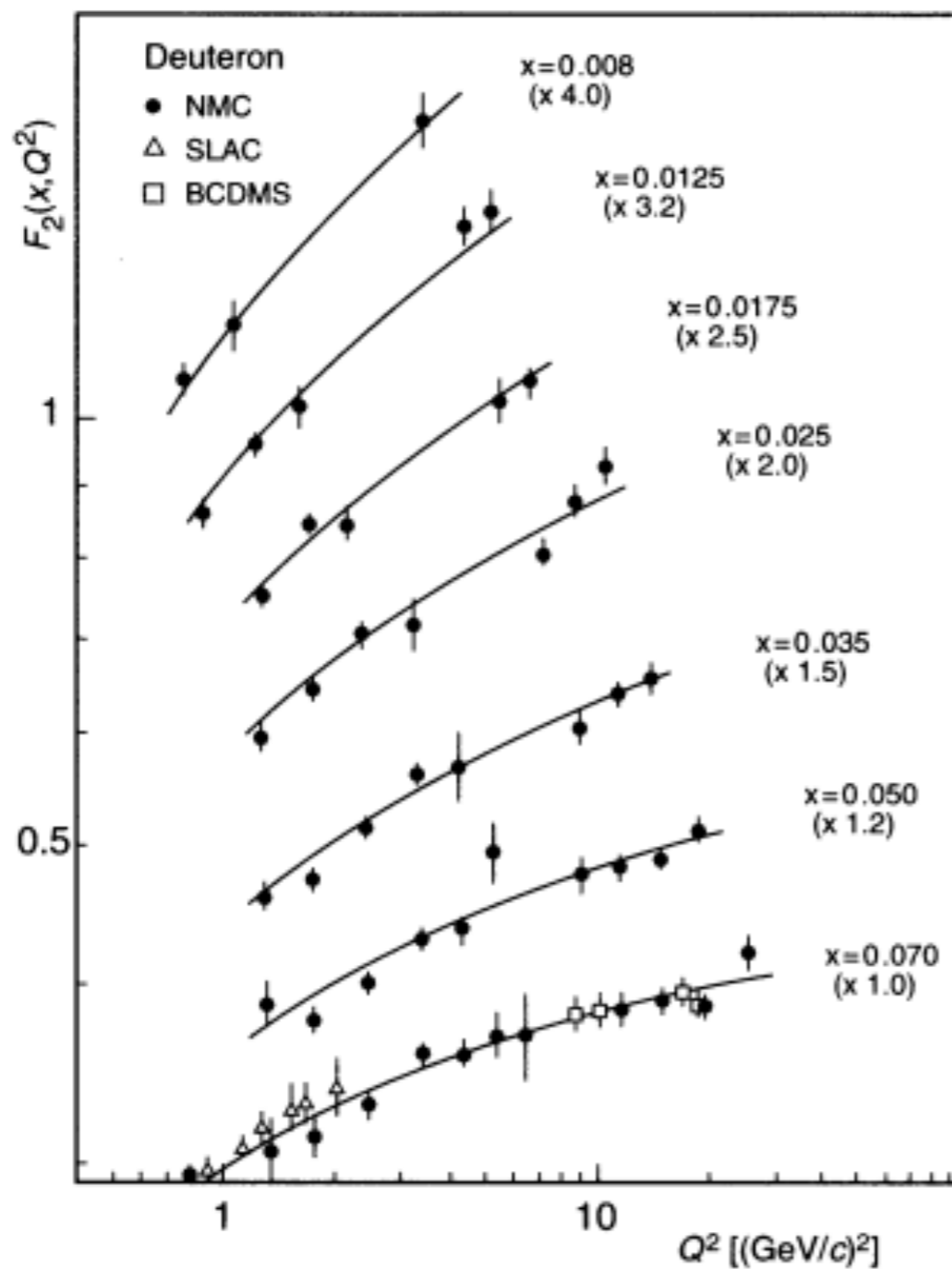
We note that the derivation of Eq. (28) is an approximation which relies on the assumption that  $k$ , being the momentum of a quark (or antiquark) inside the proton, should have a very small probability of having any momentum components greater than  $\mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{QCD})$ . As such it also implies corrections of  $\mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{QCD}^2/Q^2)$  corresponding to higher twist operators (as discussed in[9]). However, it also ignores

# Scaling Behavior [SLAC 1972]



# Scaling Violations [SLAC 1972]

$$F_2(x, Q^2) = \sum e_q^2 x q(x, Q^2)$$



# DGLAP Equations

[DGLAP: Dokshitzer, Gribov, Lipatov, Altarelli, Parisi]

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \log Q^2} \begin{bmatrix} q(x, Q^2) \\ g(x, Q^2) \end{bmatrix} = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \begin{bmatrix} P_{q/q} \left[ \begin{array}{c} \gamma \\ x \end{array} \right] & P_{q/g} \left[ \begin{array}{c} \gamma \\ x \end{array} \right] \\ P_{g/q} \left[ \begin{array}{c} \gamma \\ x \end{array} \right] & P_{g/g} \left[ \begin{array}{c} \gamma \\ x \end{array} \right] \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} q(x, Q^2) \\ g(x, Q^2) \end{bmatrix}$$

PDFs

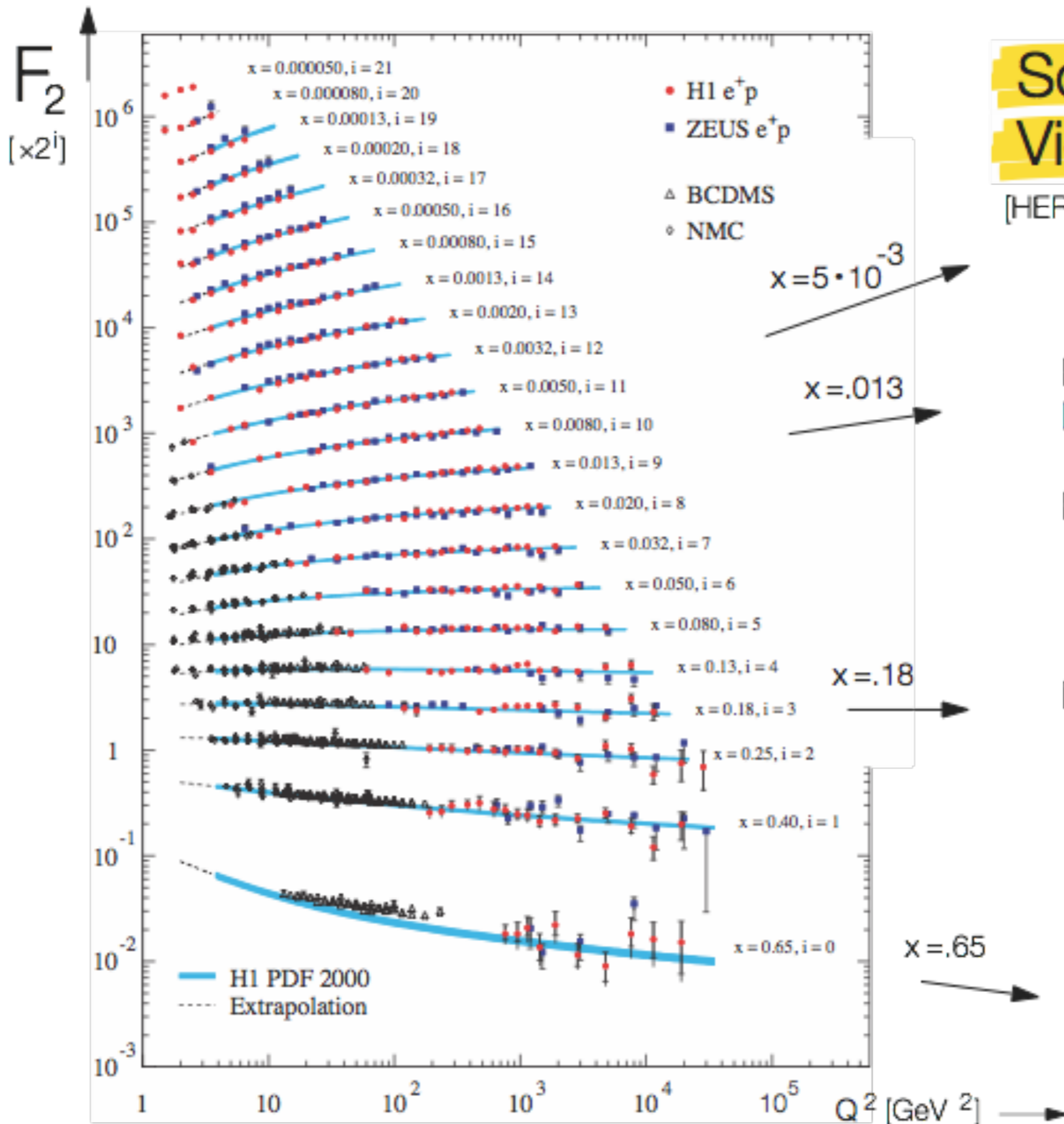
$$\frac{4}{3} \left[ \frac{1+z^2}{1-z} \right]$$

$$\frac{1}{2} [z^2 + (1-z^2)]$$

$$\frac{4}{3} \left[ \frac{1+(1-z)^2}{z} \right]$$

$$6 \left[ \frac{z}{1-z} + \frac{1-z}{z} + z(1-z) \right]$$

$$P \otimes f(x, Q^2) = \int_x^1 \frac{dy}{y} P(x/y) f(y, Q^2)$$



## Scaling Violations

[HERA & fixed target data]

Precision: 2-3%  
[bulk region]

For  $x < 10^{-2}$ :

$$\frac{dF_2}{d \log Q^2} \sim g(x, Q^2) \cdot \alpha_s(Q^2)$$

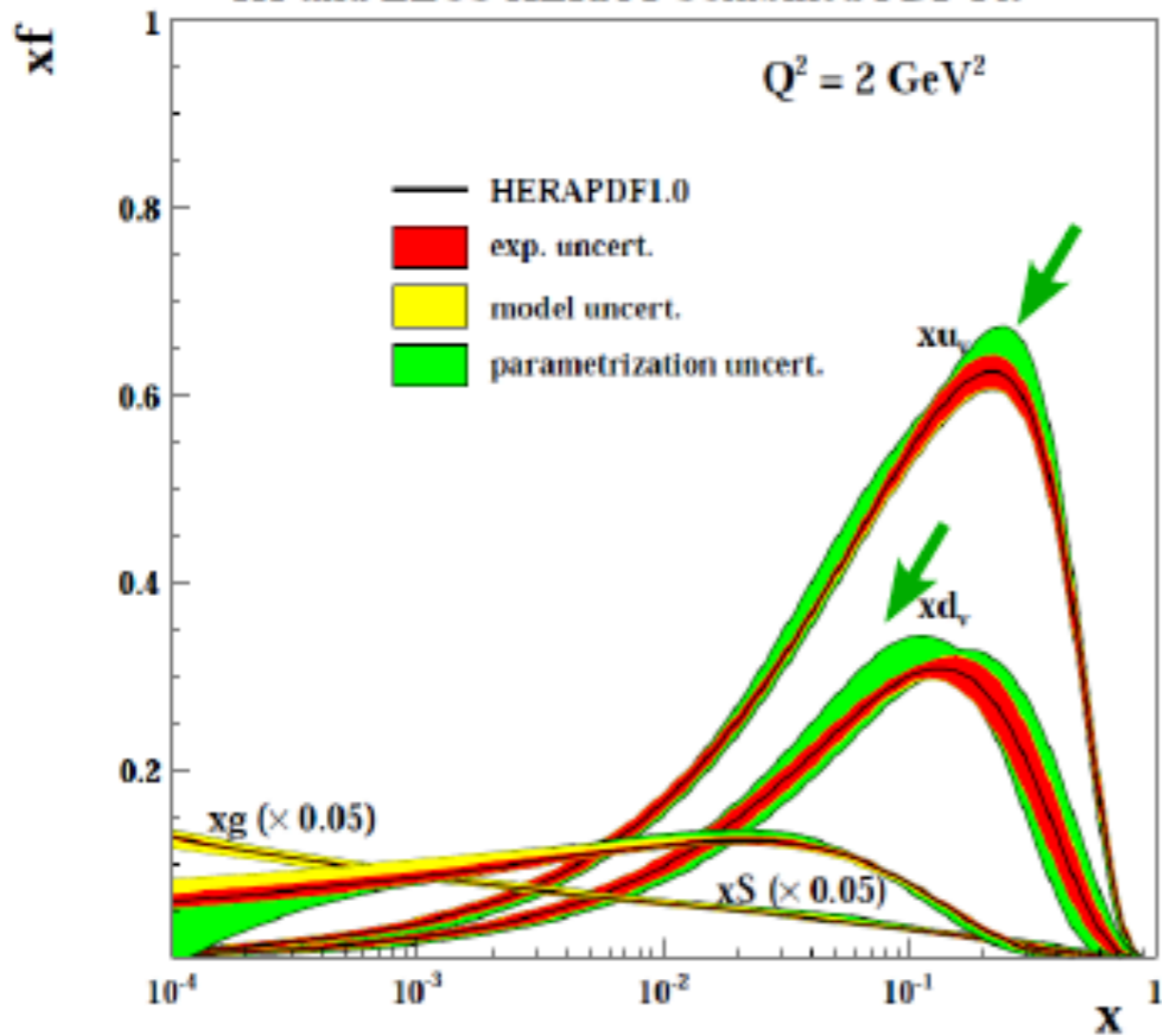
NLO QCD Fits:

Quark densities  
Gluon density  
Strong coupling  $\alpha_s$



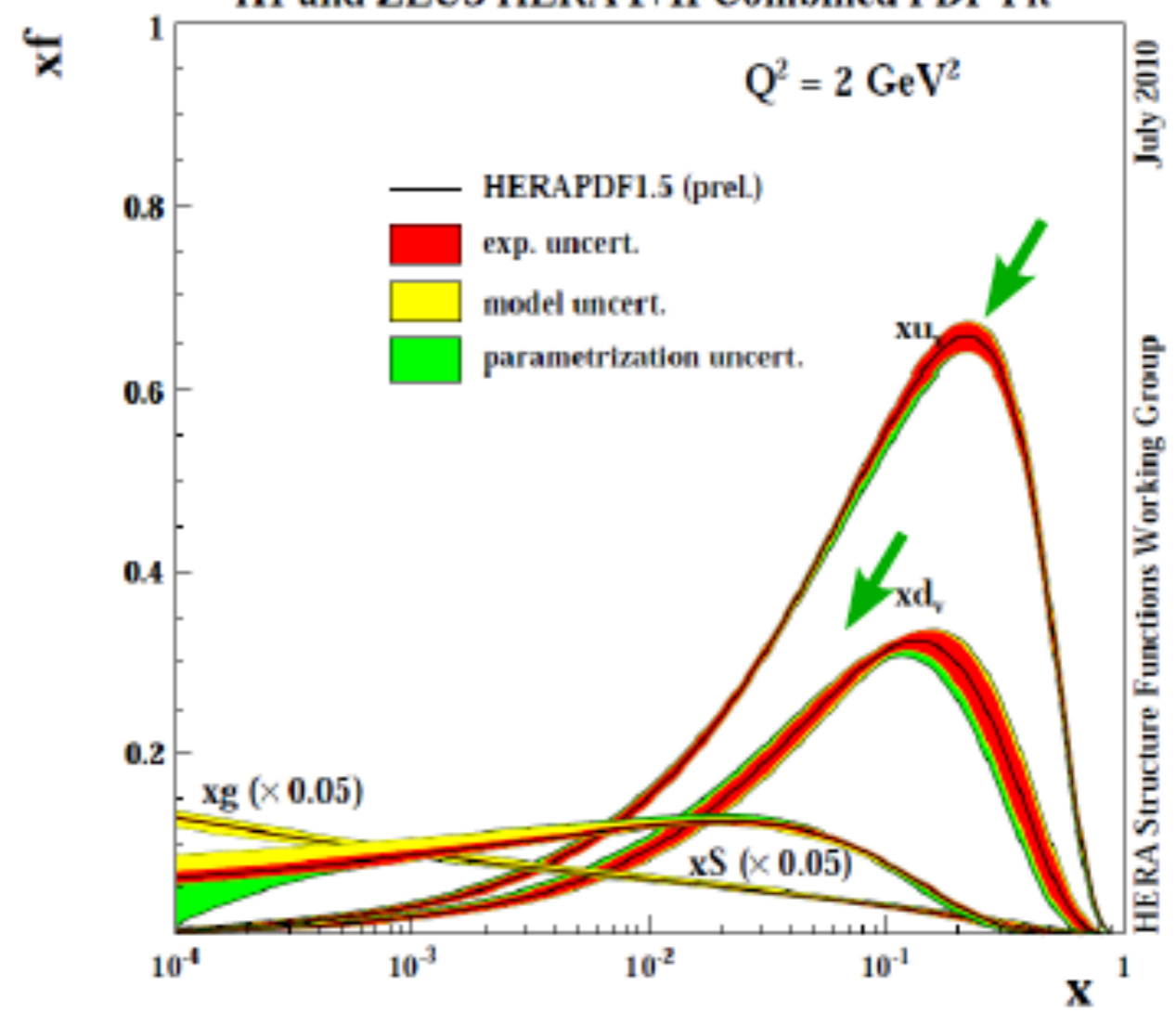
# HERA I

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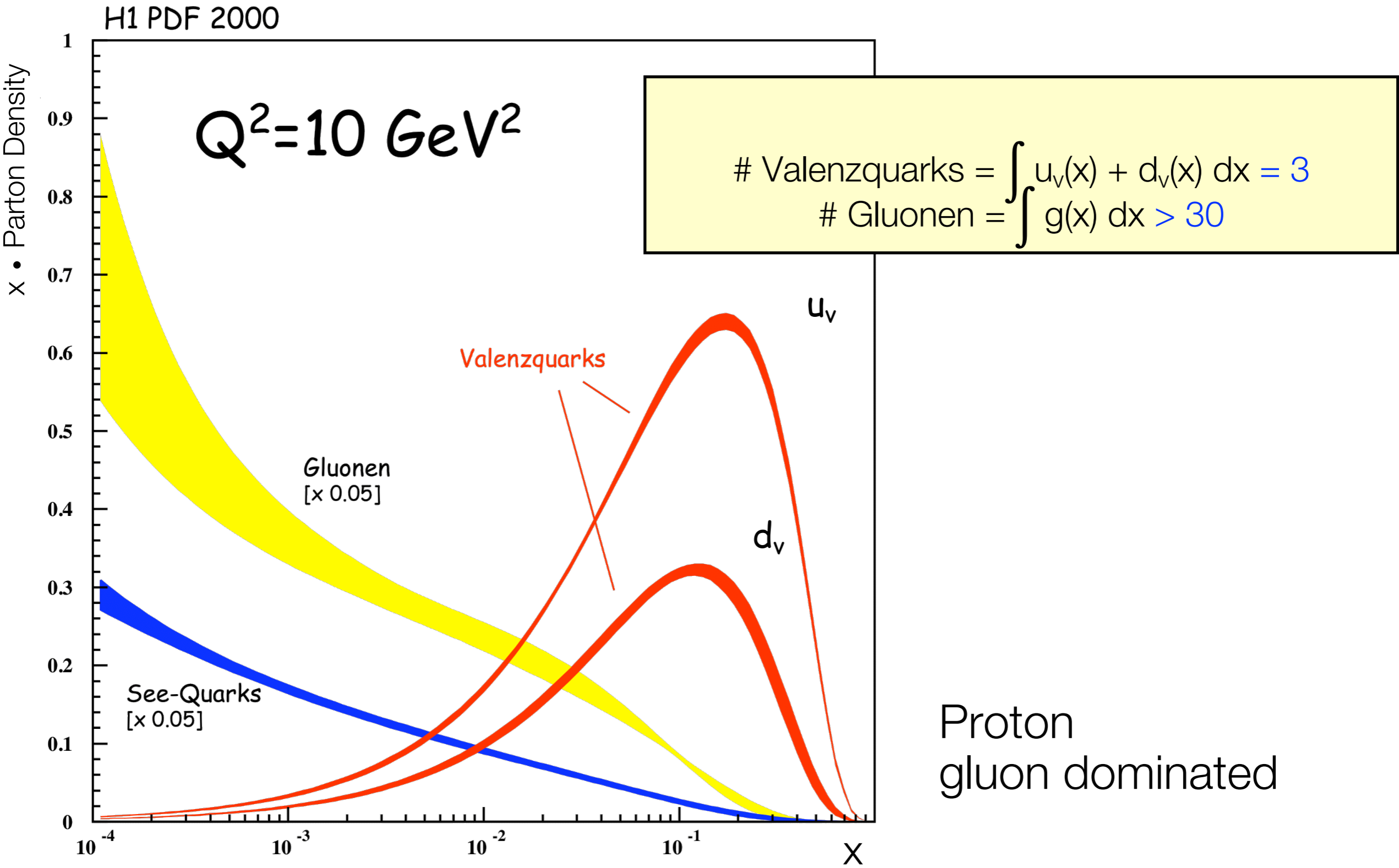


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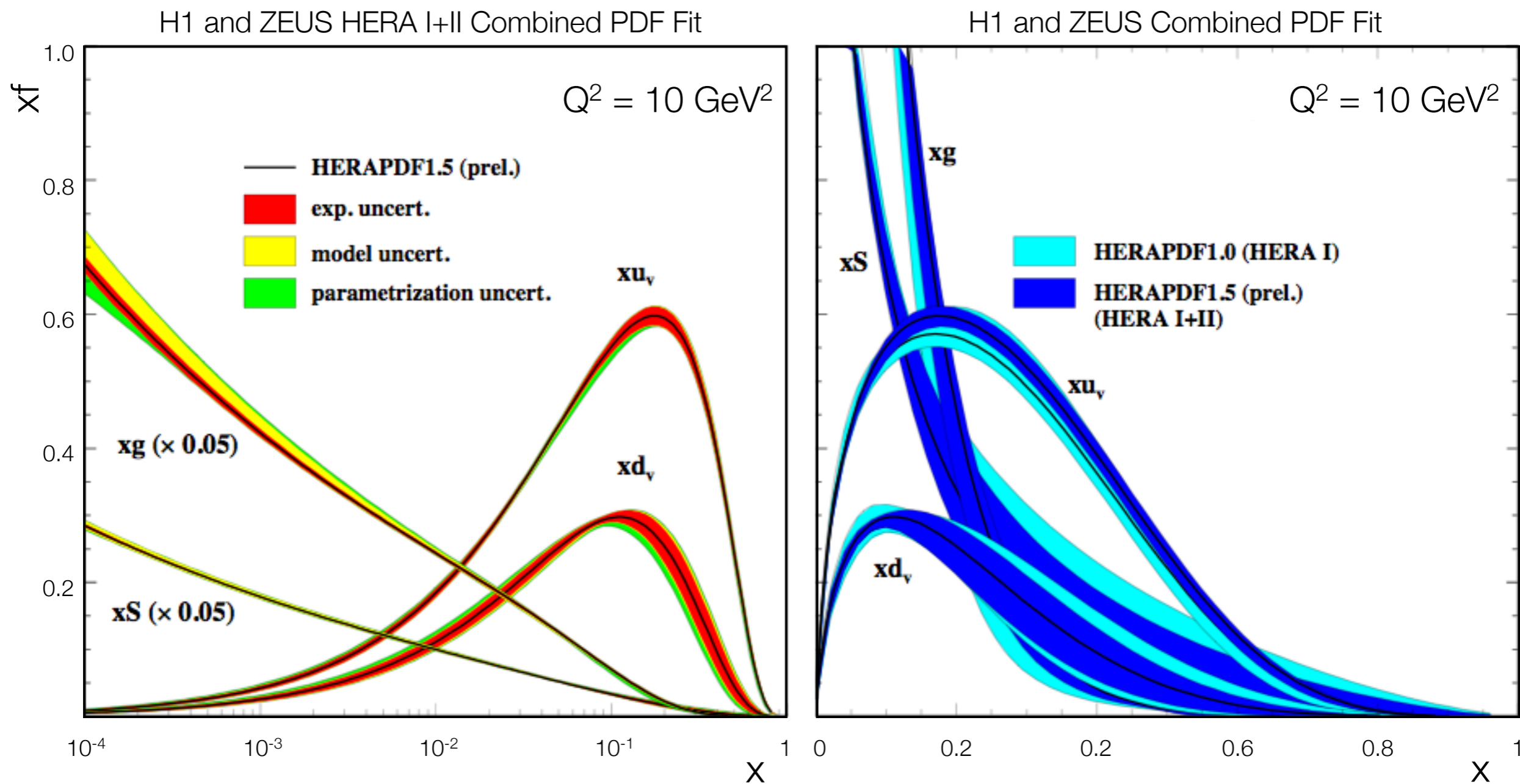
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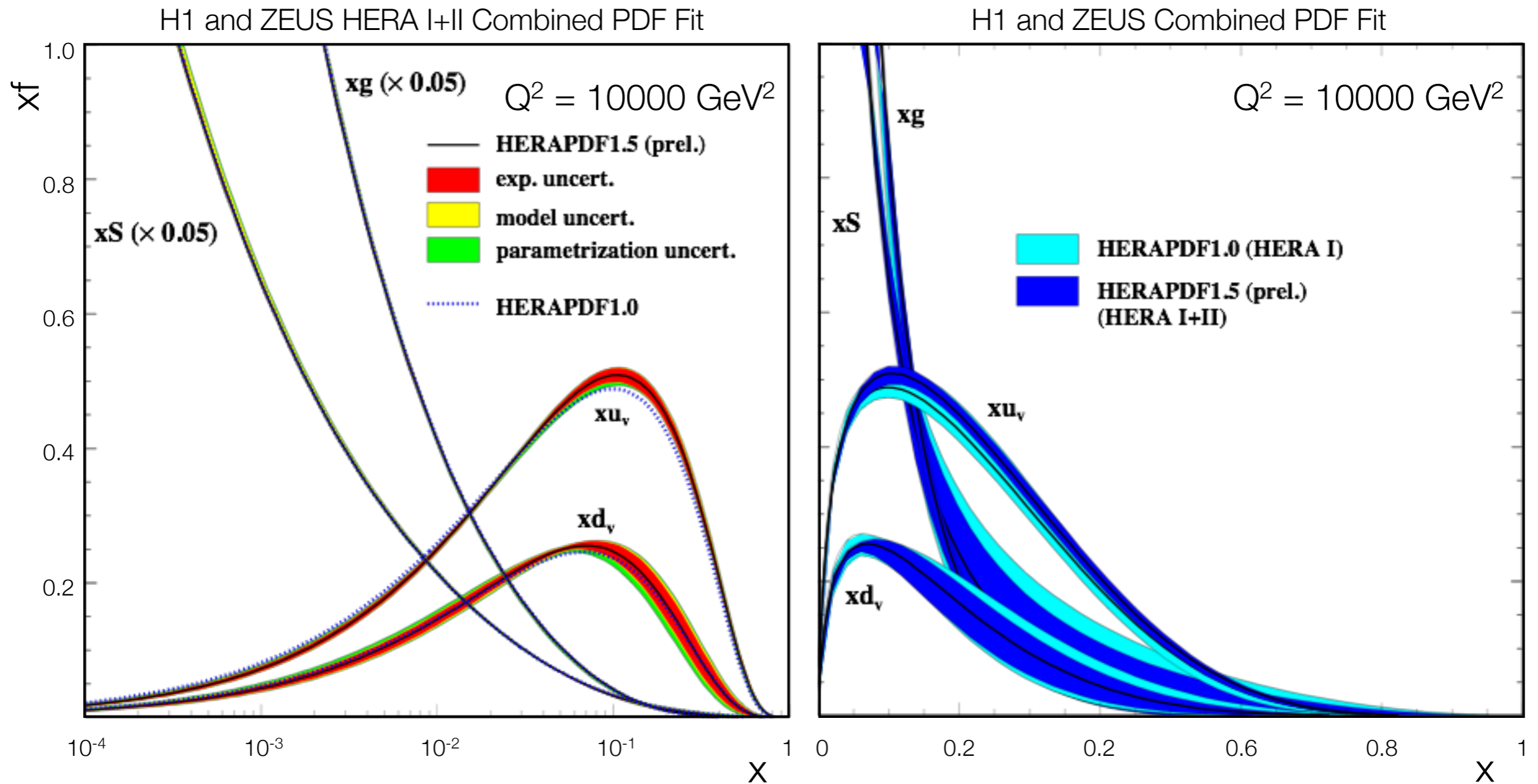
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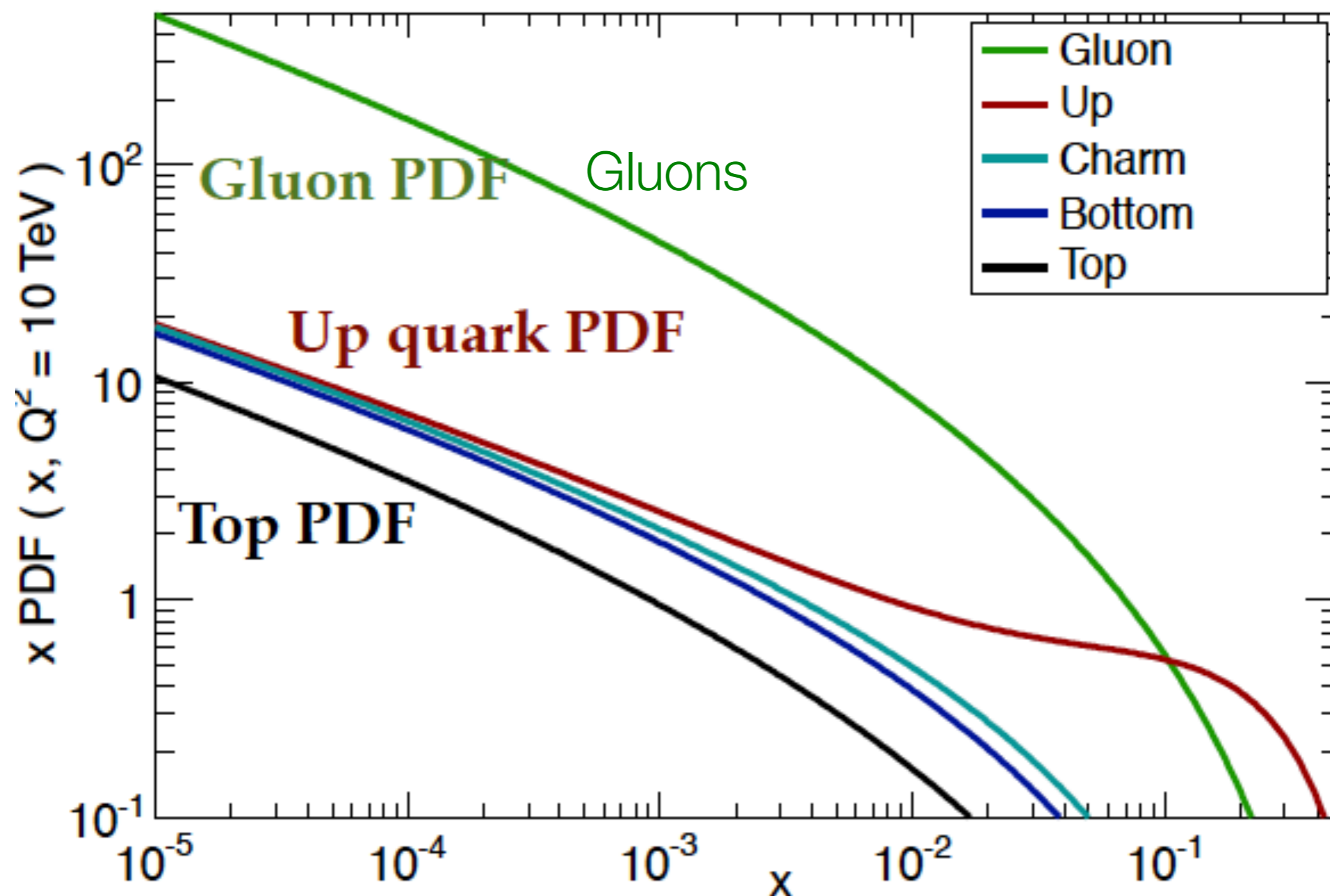


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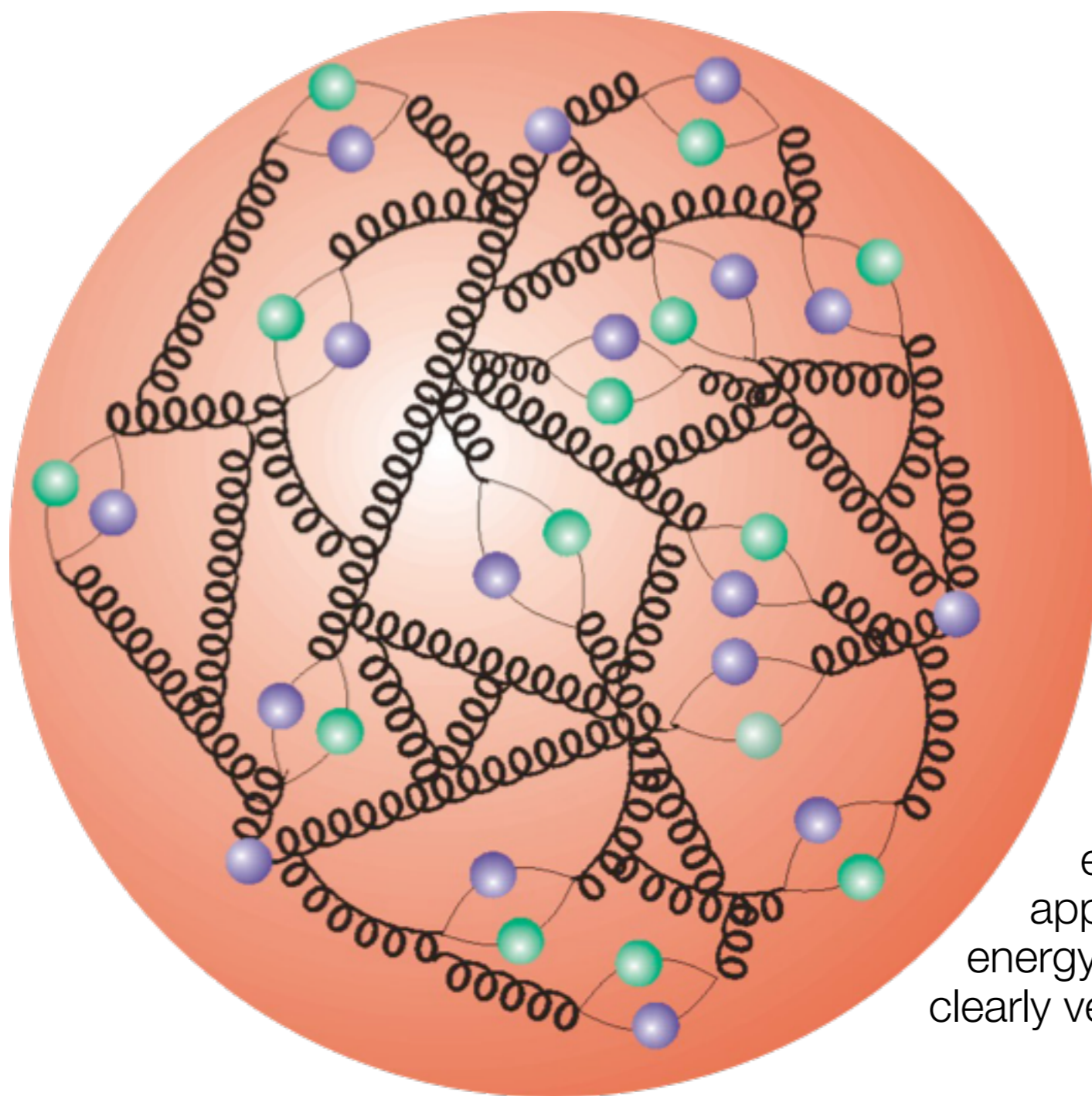
# Parton Distributions @ $Q^2 = 10 \text{ TeV GeV}$

NNPDF2.3 NNLO  $N_F = 6$



# Today's Picture of the Proton

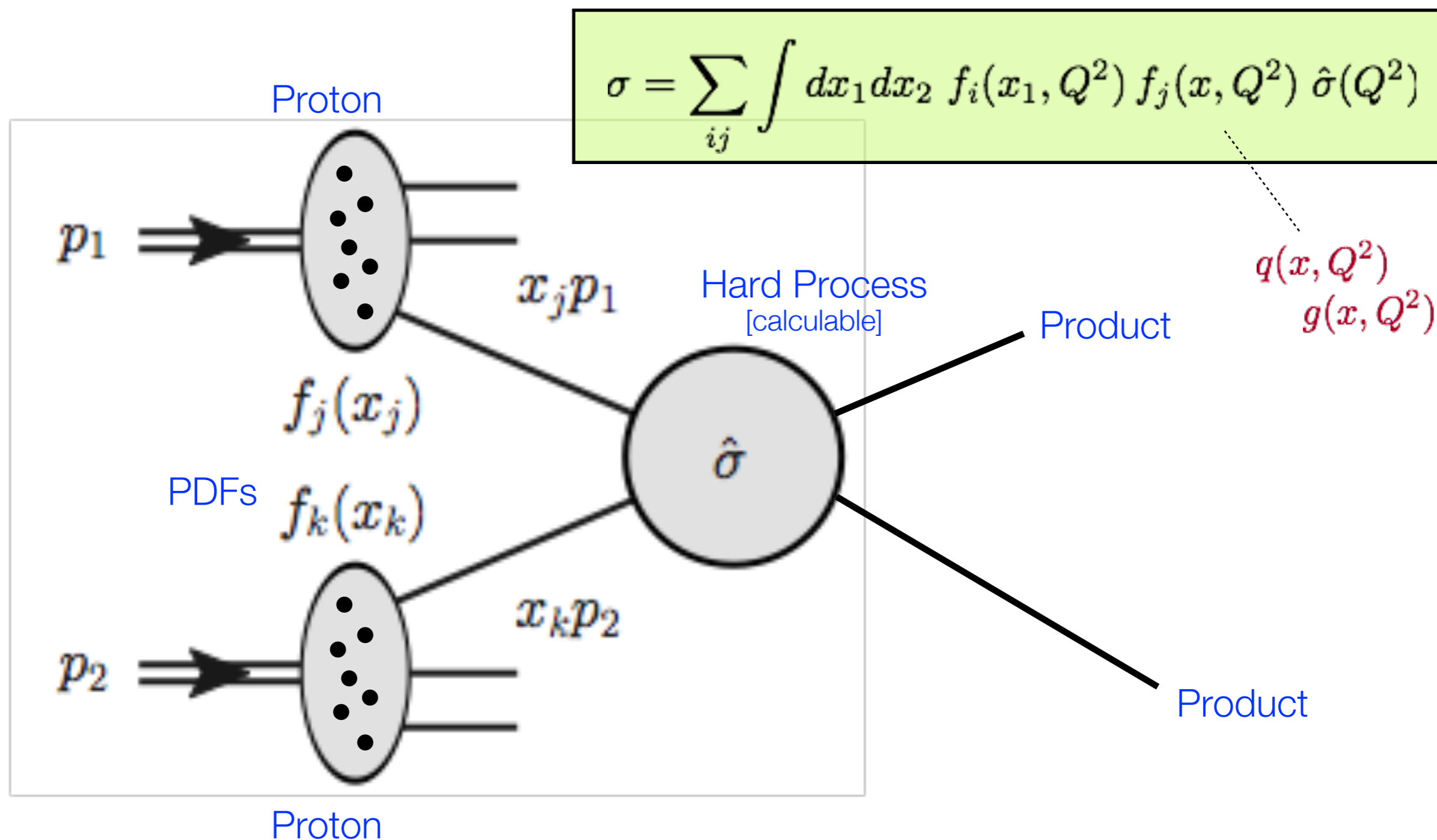
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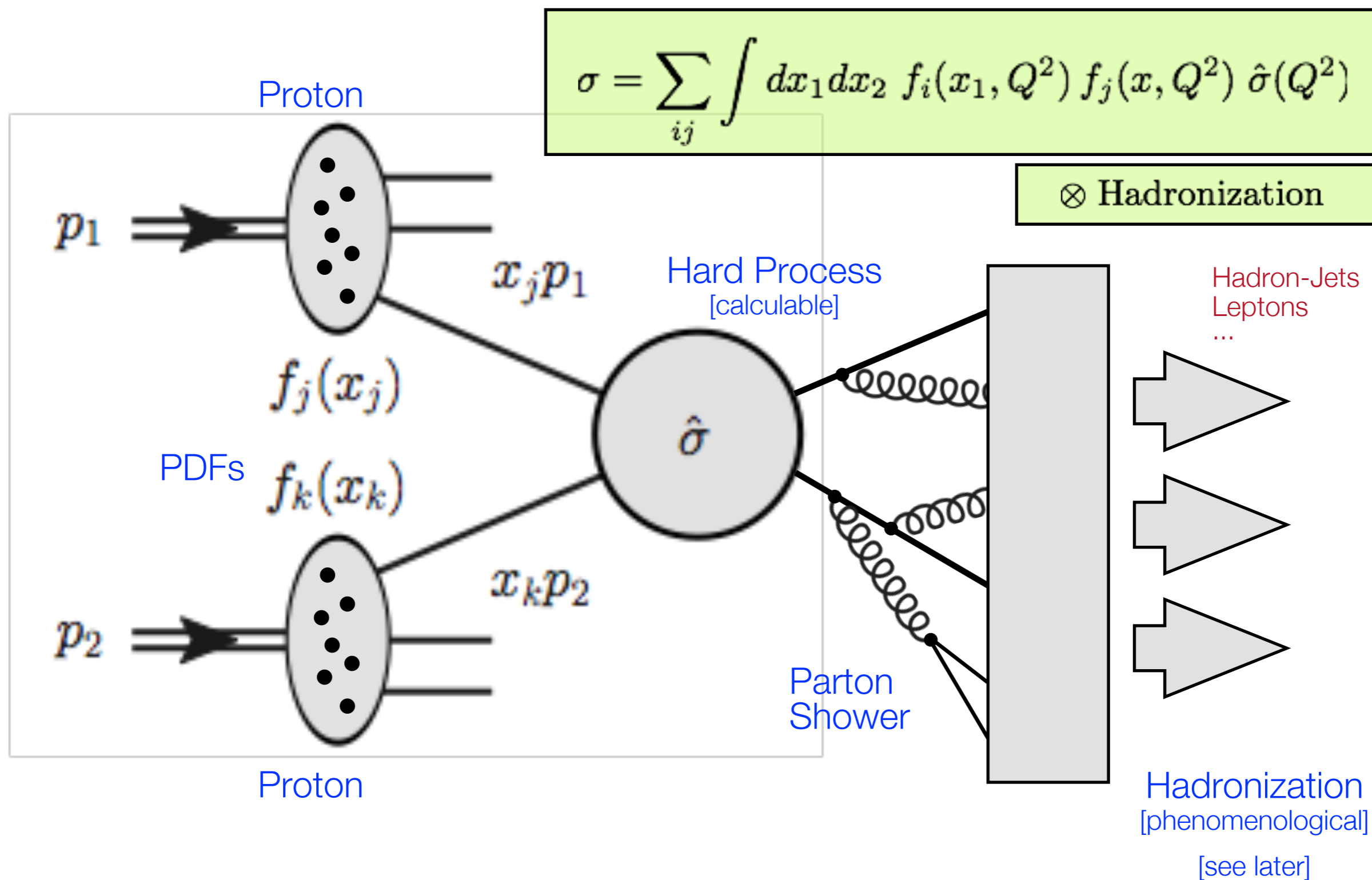
The most dramatic of these [experimental consequences], that the protons viewed at ever higher resolution would appear more and more as field energy (soft glue), was only clearly verified at HERA ...

F. Wilczek  
[Nobel Prize 2004]

# Proton-Proton Scattering @ LHC

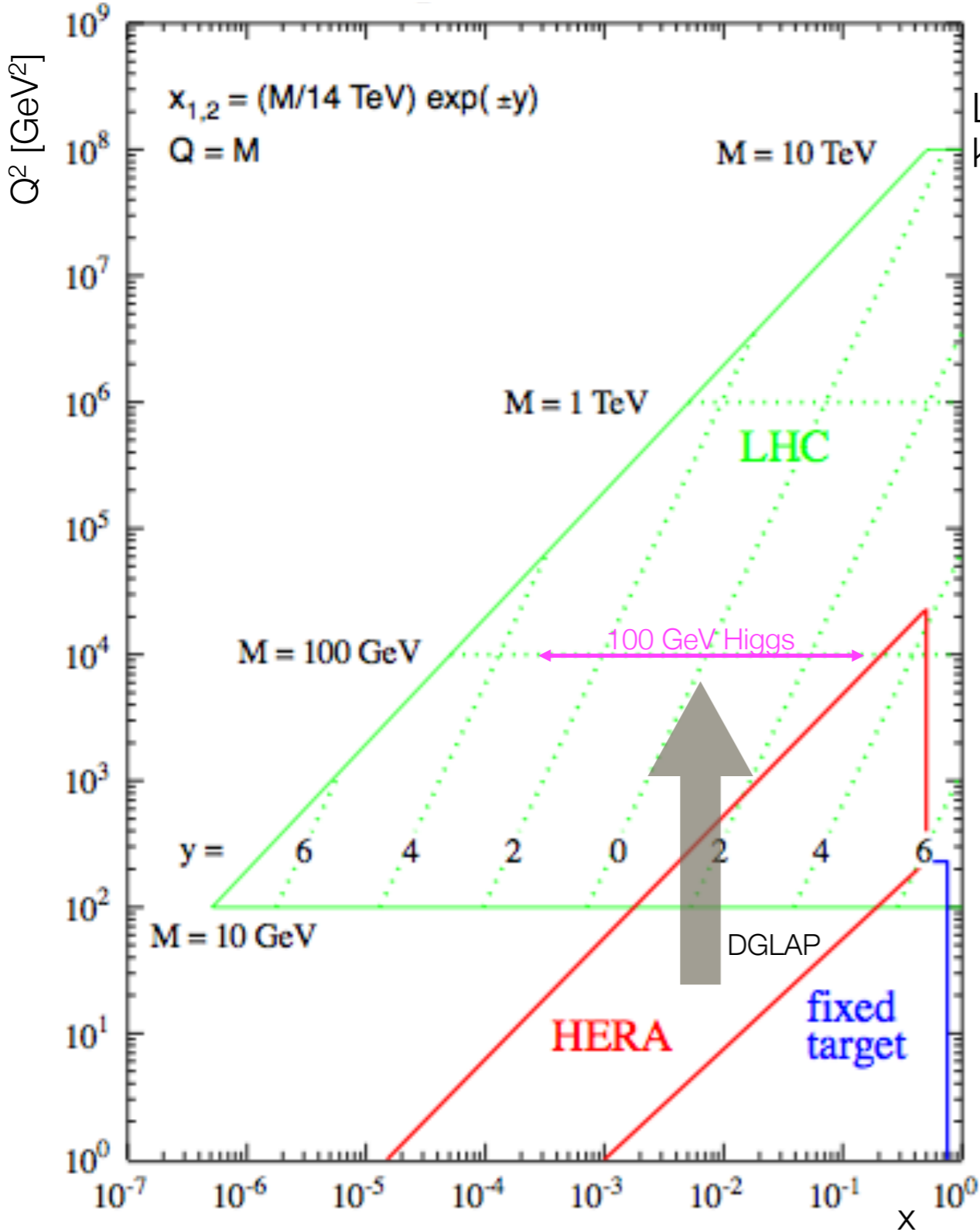
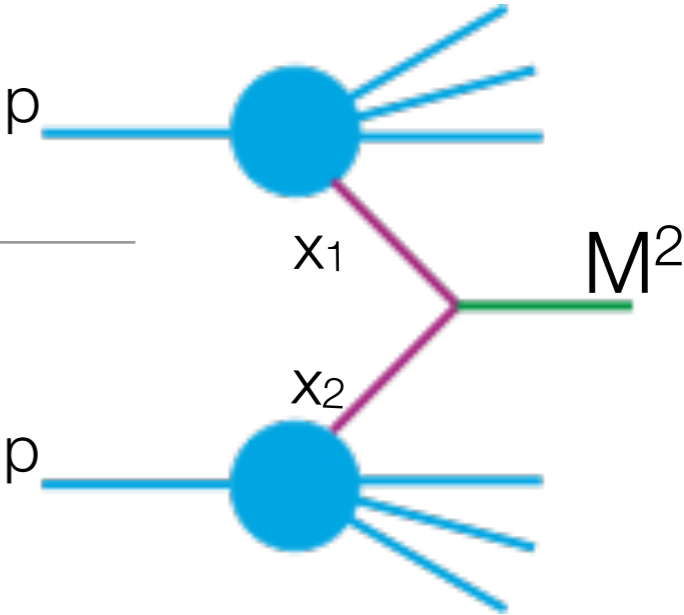


# Proton-Proton Scattering @ LHC





# Particle Production @ LHC



LHC parton kinematics

$$pp \rightarrow X_M + \text{remnants}$$

$X_M$ : particle with mass  $M$   
e.g. Higgs

$$M^2 = x_1 x_2 \cdot s$$

i.e. to produce a particle with mass  $M$  at LHC energies ( $\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$ )

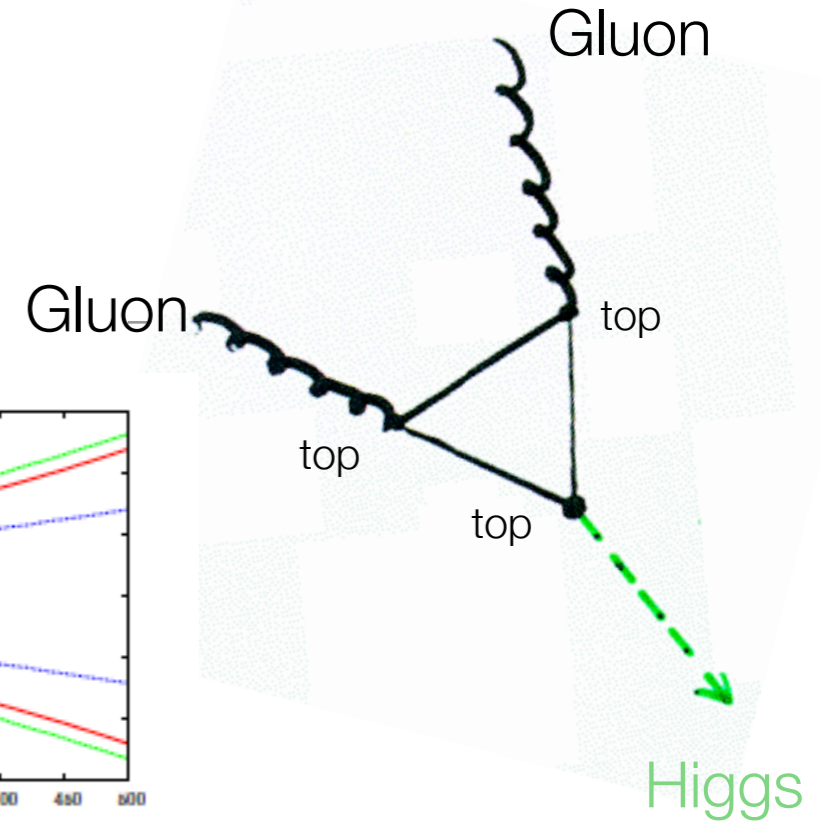
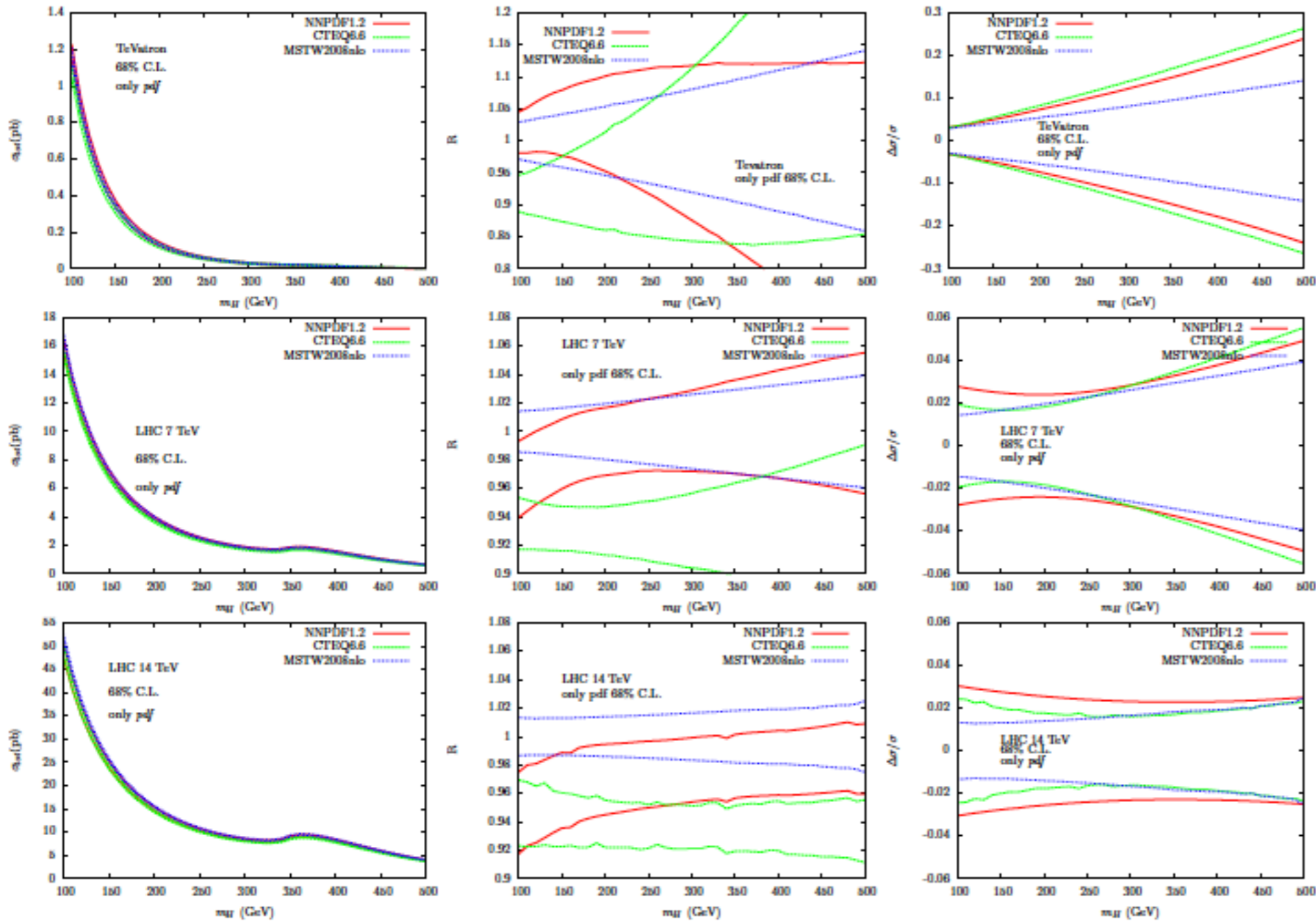
$$\langle x \rangle = \sqrt{x_1 x_2} = M/\sqrt{s}$$

[ $x_1 = x_2$ : mid-rapidity]

LHC needs:

- Knowledge of parton densities
- Extrapolation over orders of magnitudes

# Higgs Cross Section

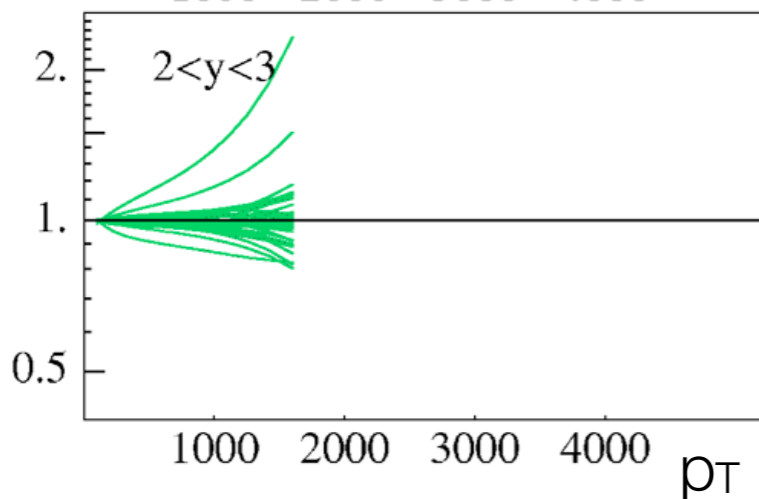
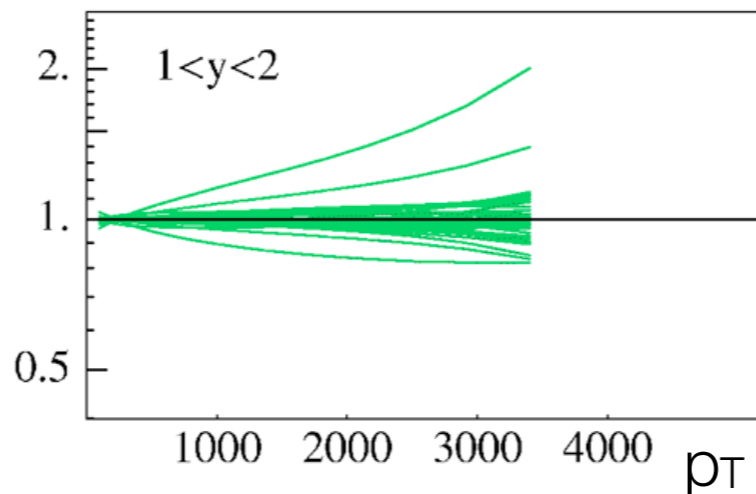
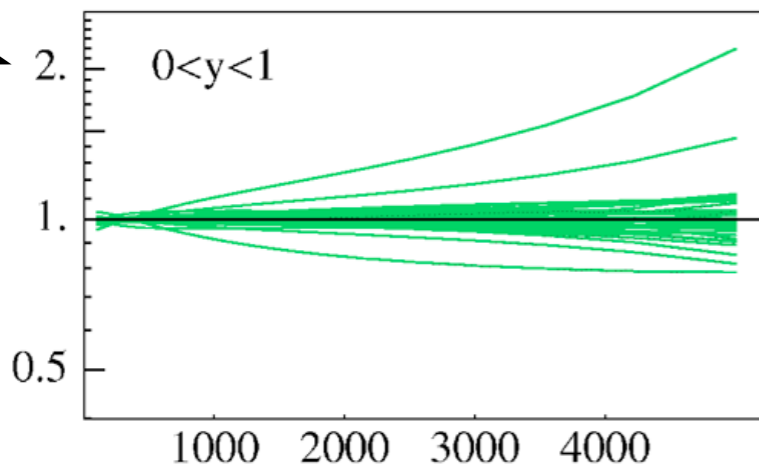
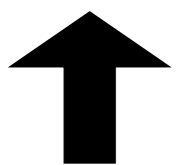


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10 – 20 % PDF uncertainty

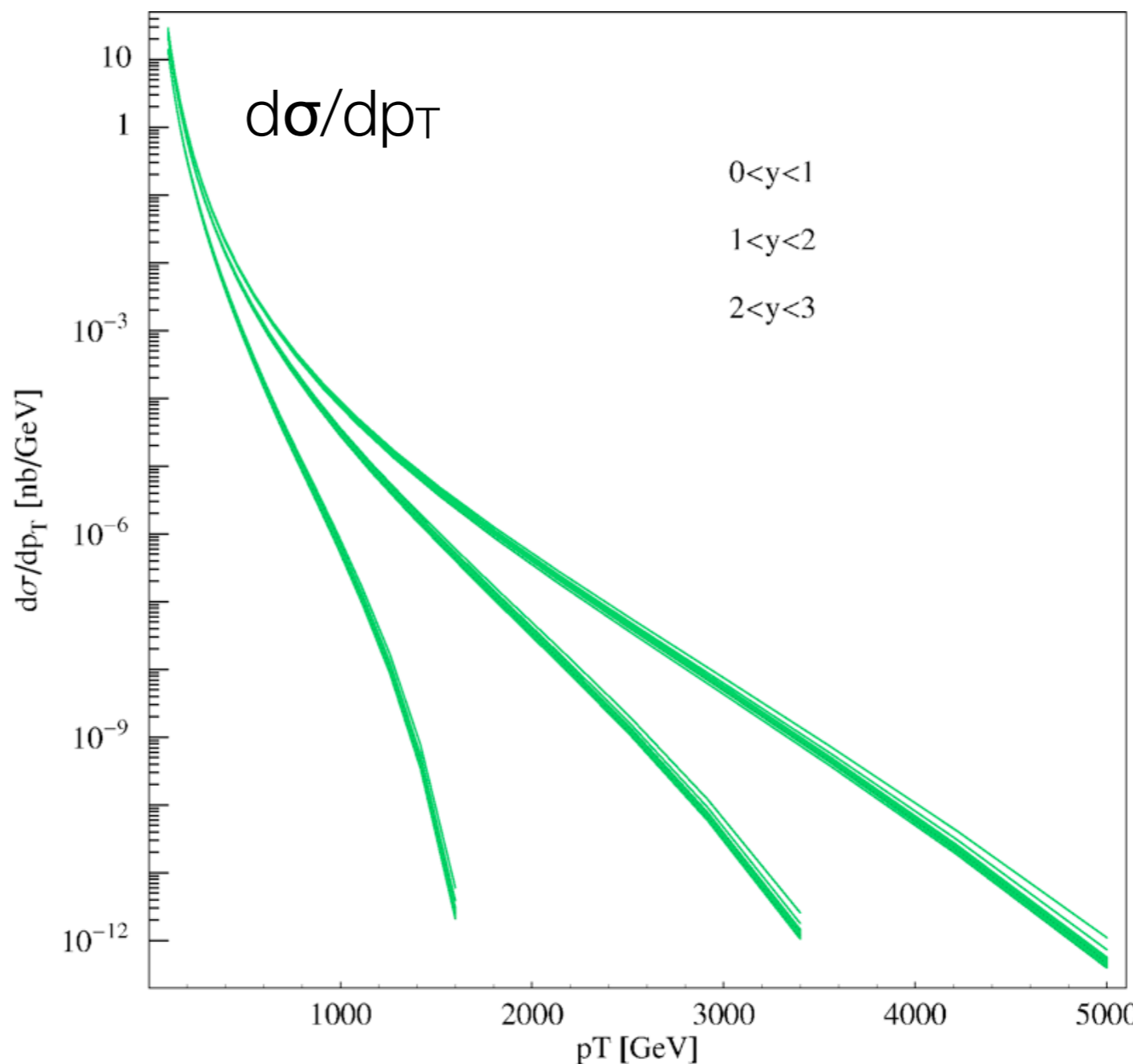
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Relative Uncertainty [compared to CTEQ 6.1M]



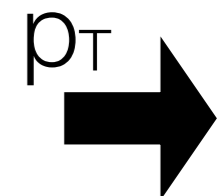
# Inclusive Jet Cross Section @ LHC

[D.Stump et al., JHEP 10 (2003) 046]



Mid-rapidity:  
100 % uncertainty  
@  $E_T \sim 5$  TeV

Forw. jets:  
100 % uncertainty  
@  $E_T \sim 2$  TeV



# Inclusive Jet-Cross Section

Inclusive

## Jet cross-section

[~Tevatron x 100]

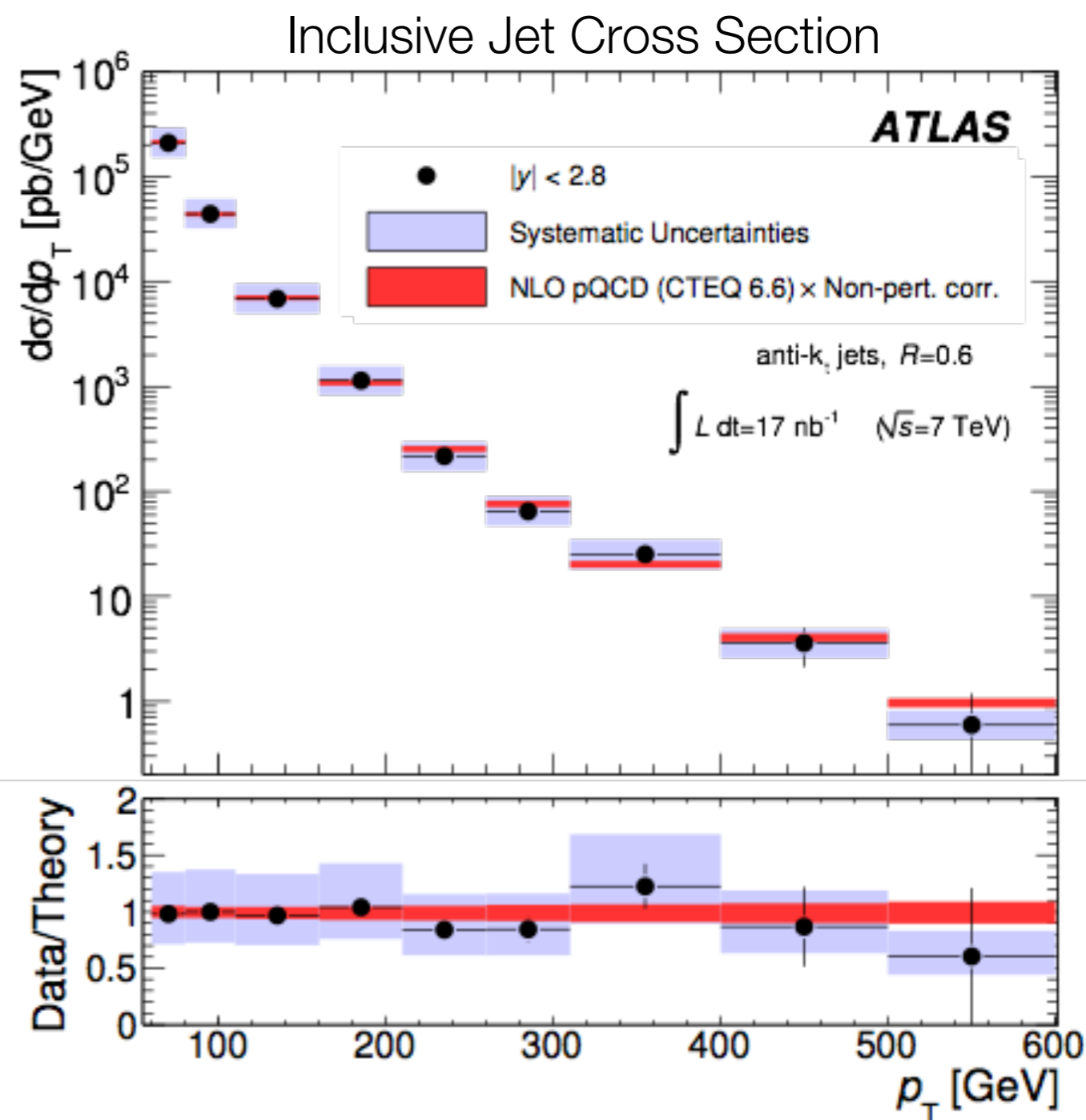
- Restricted to  $17 \text{ nb}^{-1}$   
[no pile-up contamination];
- $p_T > 60 \text{ GeV}$  and  $|y| < 2.8$

Measured jets corrected to particle level using Monte Carlo

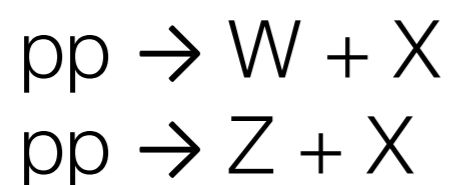
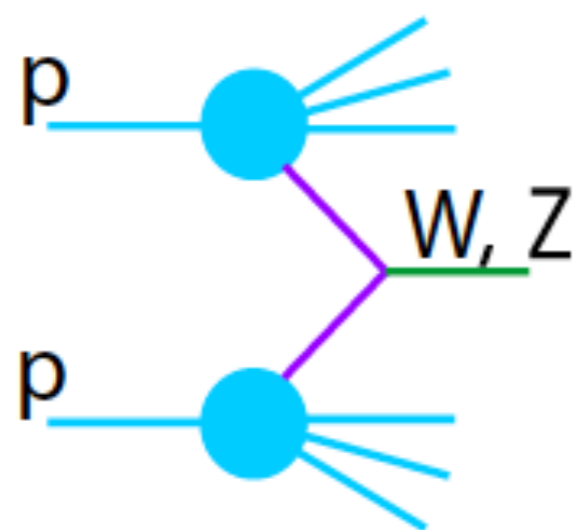
- Experimental uncertainties dominated by JES

Good data-MC agreement over 5 orders of magnitude!

[Important for Searches]

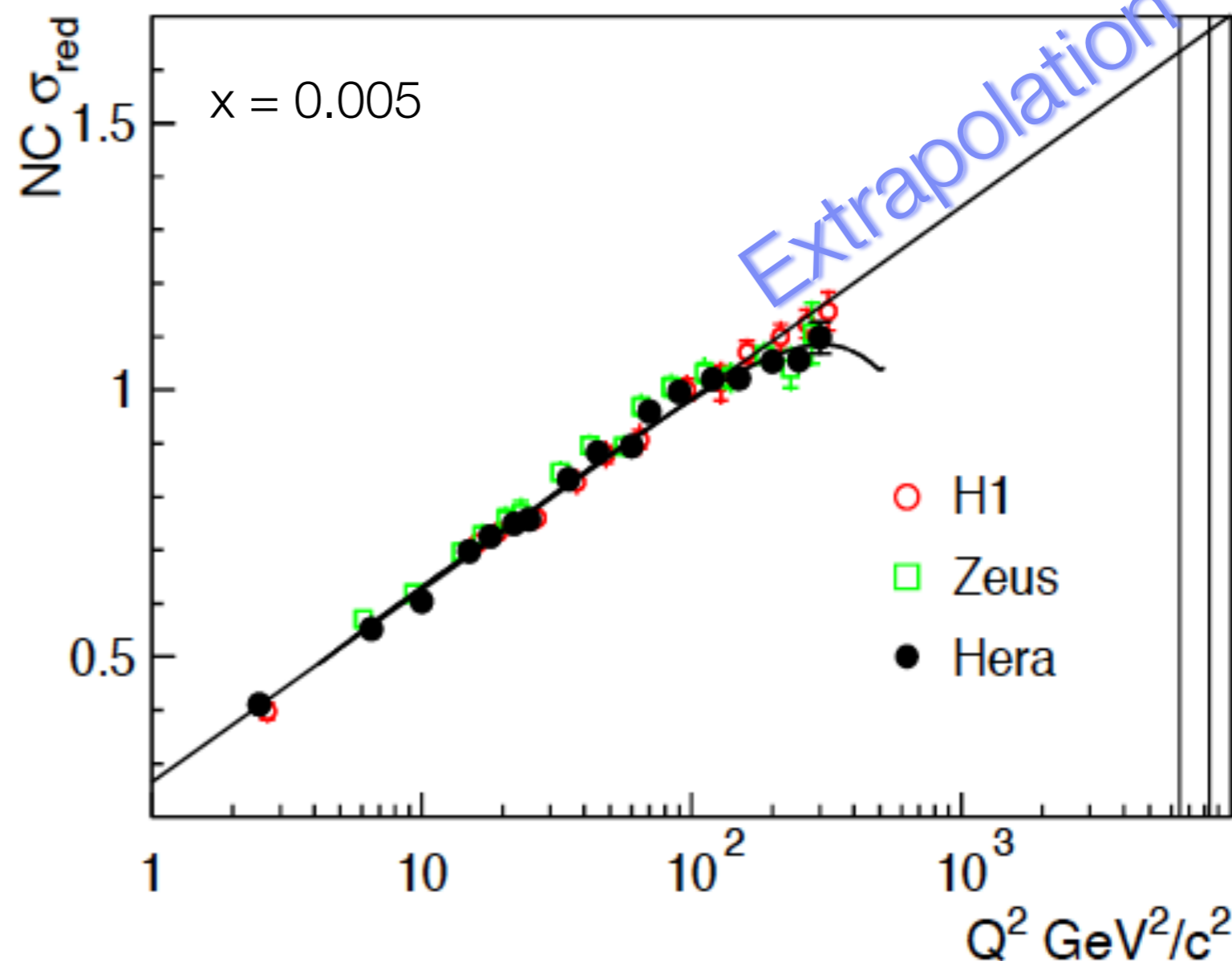


# W and Z Production @ LHC



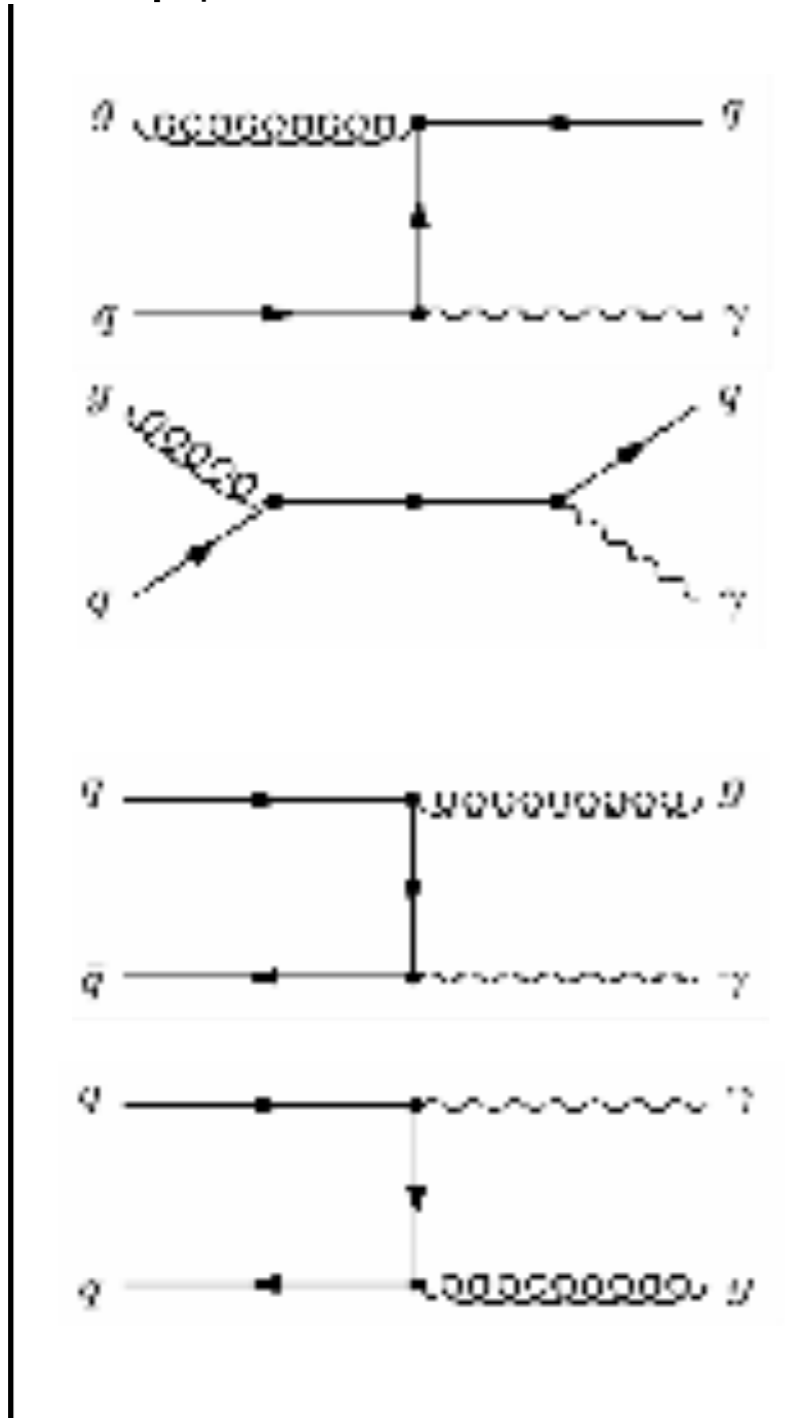
Considered  
as luminosity monitor

$Q^2$  for W/Z production  
@ LHC energies

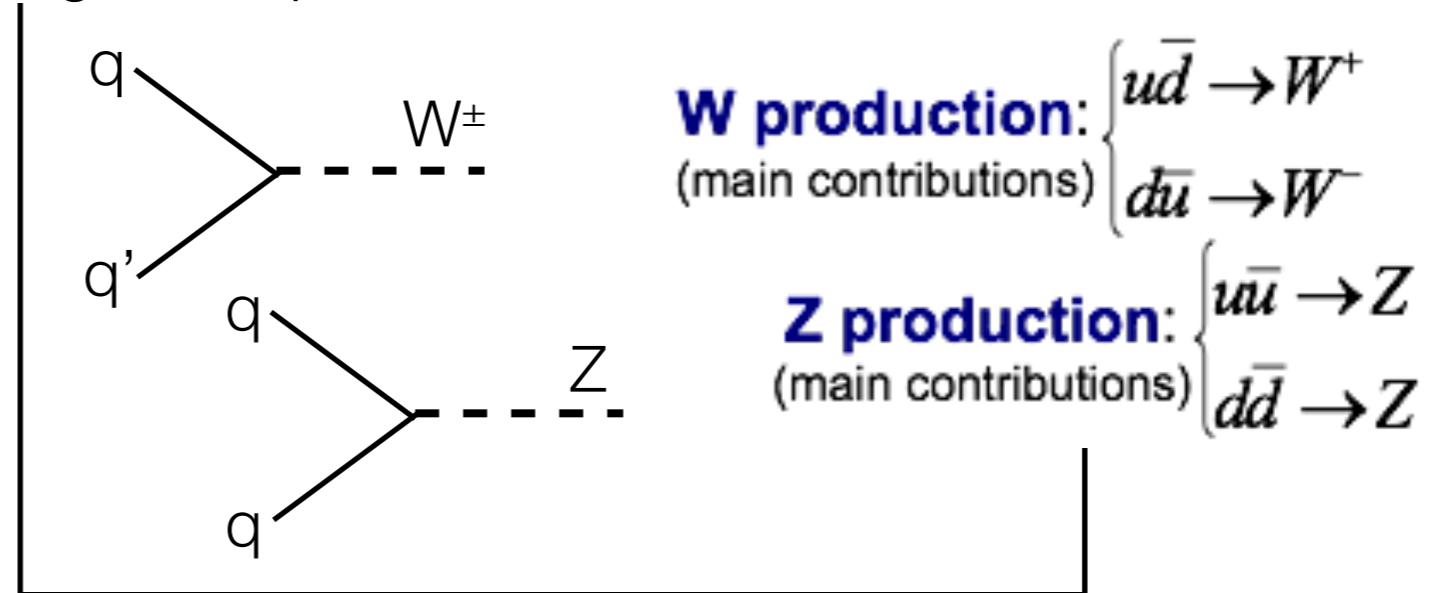


# Vector Boson Production

Direct  $\gamma$ -production:



Singlet W/Z production:



- At LHC energies these processes take place at low values of Bjorken-x
- Only sea quarks and gluons are involved
- At EW scales sea is driven by the gluon, i.e. x-sections dominated by gluon uncertainty

➡ Constraints on sea and gluon distributions

# Effect on PDFs of LHC W data

