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# Lesson 1

# Jets, jet finding and definitions

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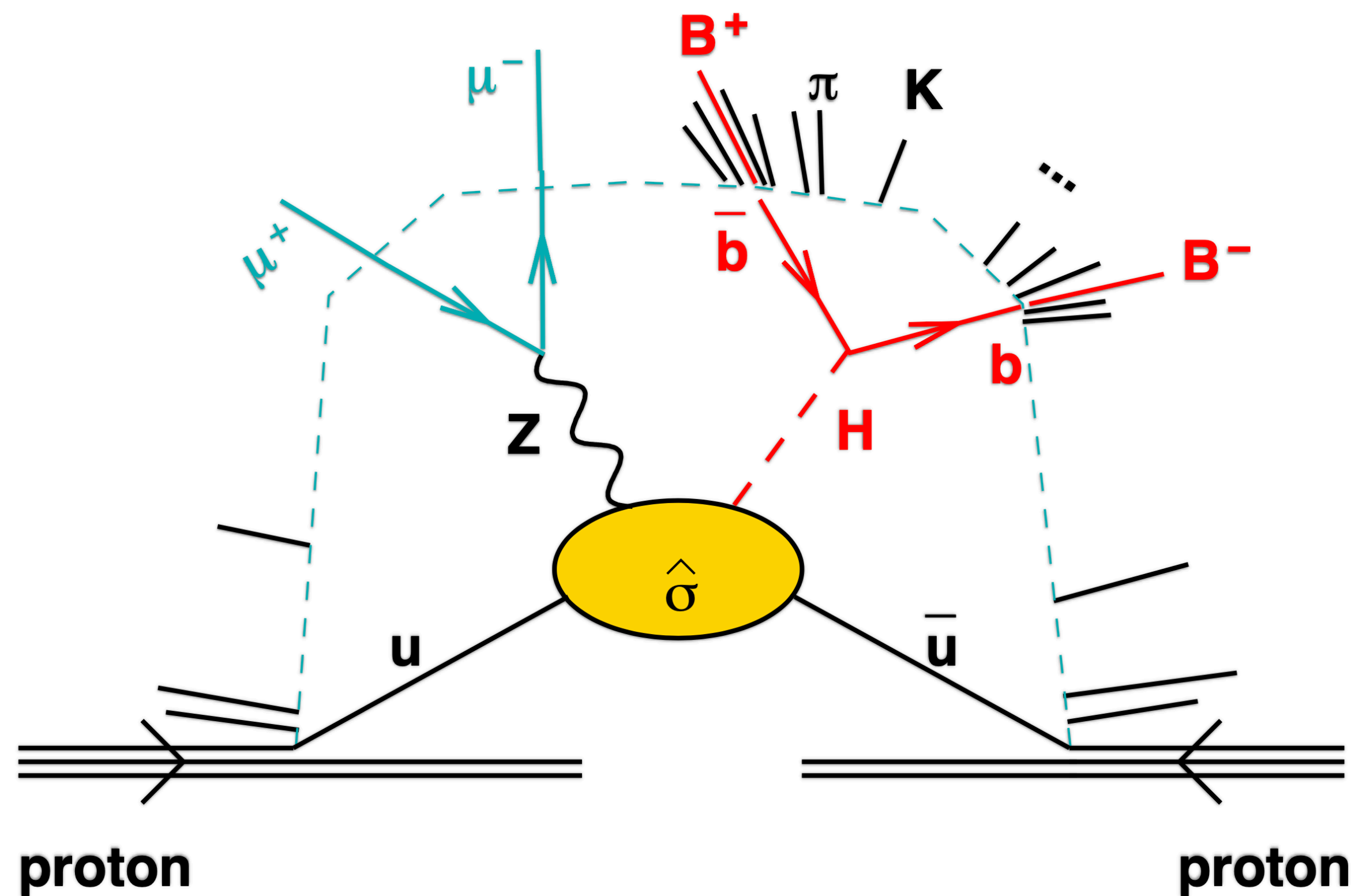
GDR-QCD:HIC in the QCD phase diagram,  
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# The proton-proton collision: factorization and scales

Two protons interact inelastically

Hard process at the core of the collision, involving a high energy parton (quark or gluon) from each proton

These two partons interact and produce a few elementary particles, like 2 partons, a photon and a quark, a Higgs and a Z as in the picture, etc



A key simplification is the separation between the hard and soft processes that allows to factorize the Z/H production from the hadronic dynamics

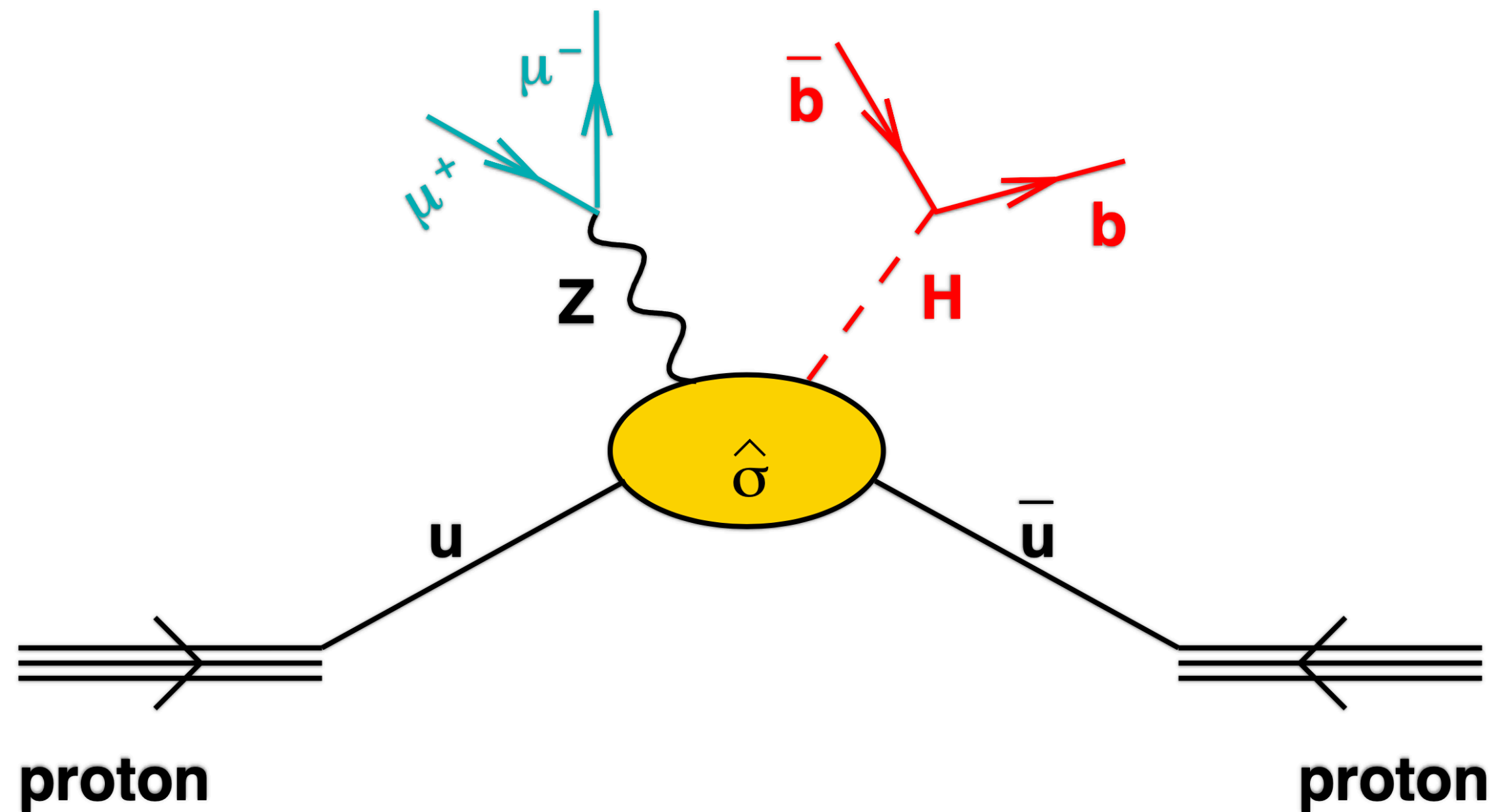
This simplification is allowed by the huge difference in timescales:

hard:  $1/\text{mass}_{\text{Higgs}} \sim 1/125 \text{ GeV}^{-1} \sim 0.016 \text{ fm}$

soft:  $1/\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \sim 1 \text{ fm}$

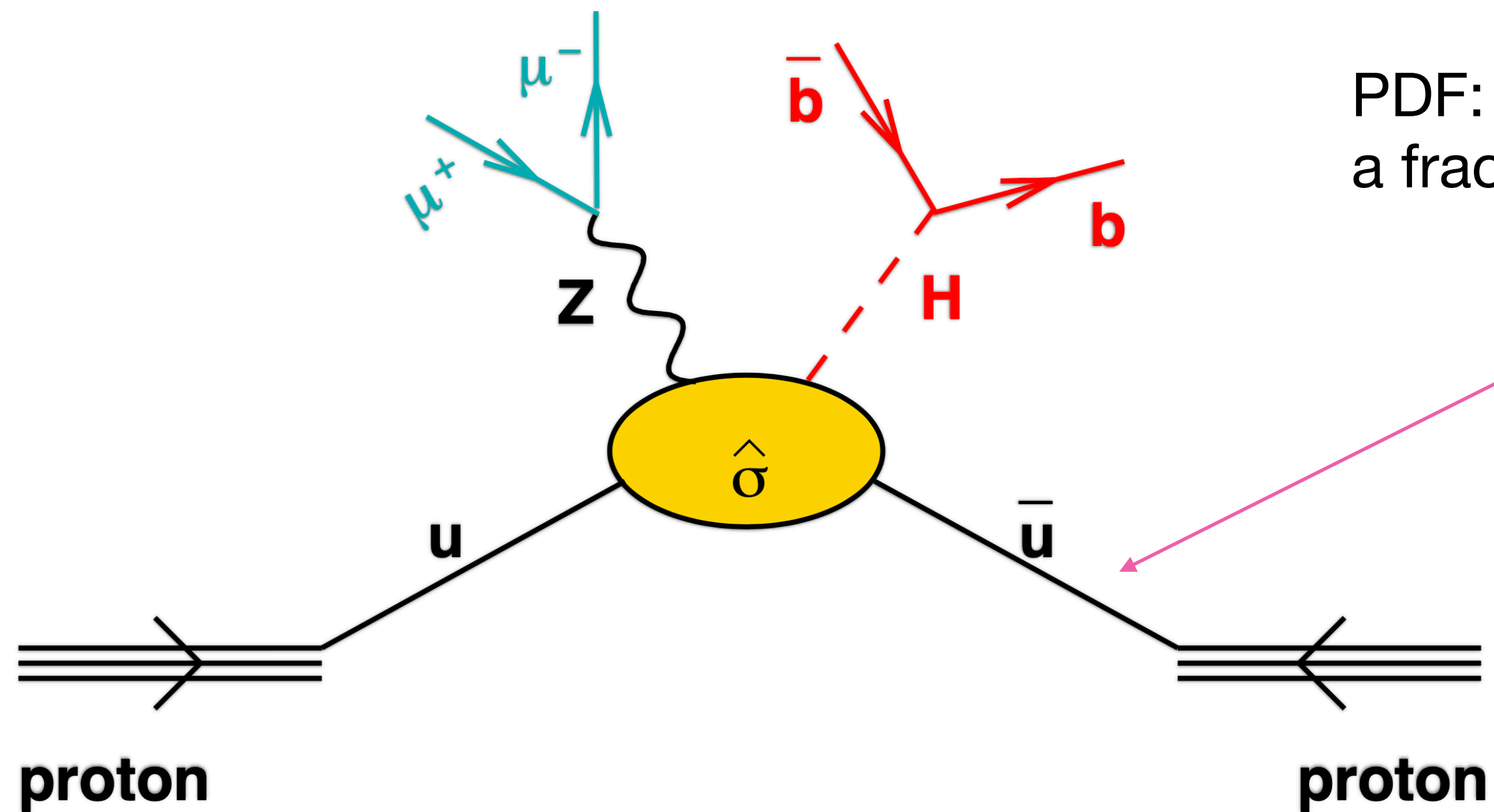
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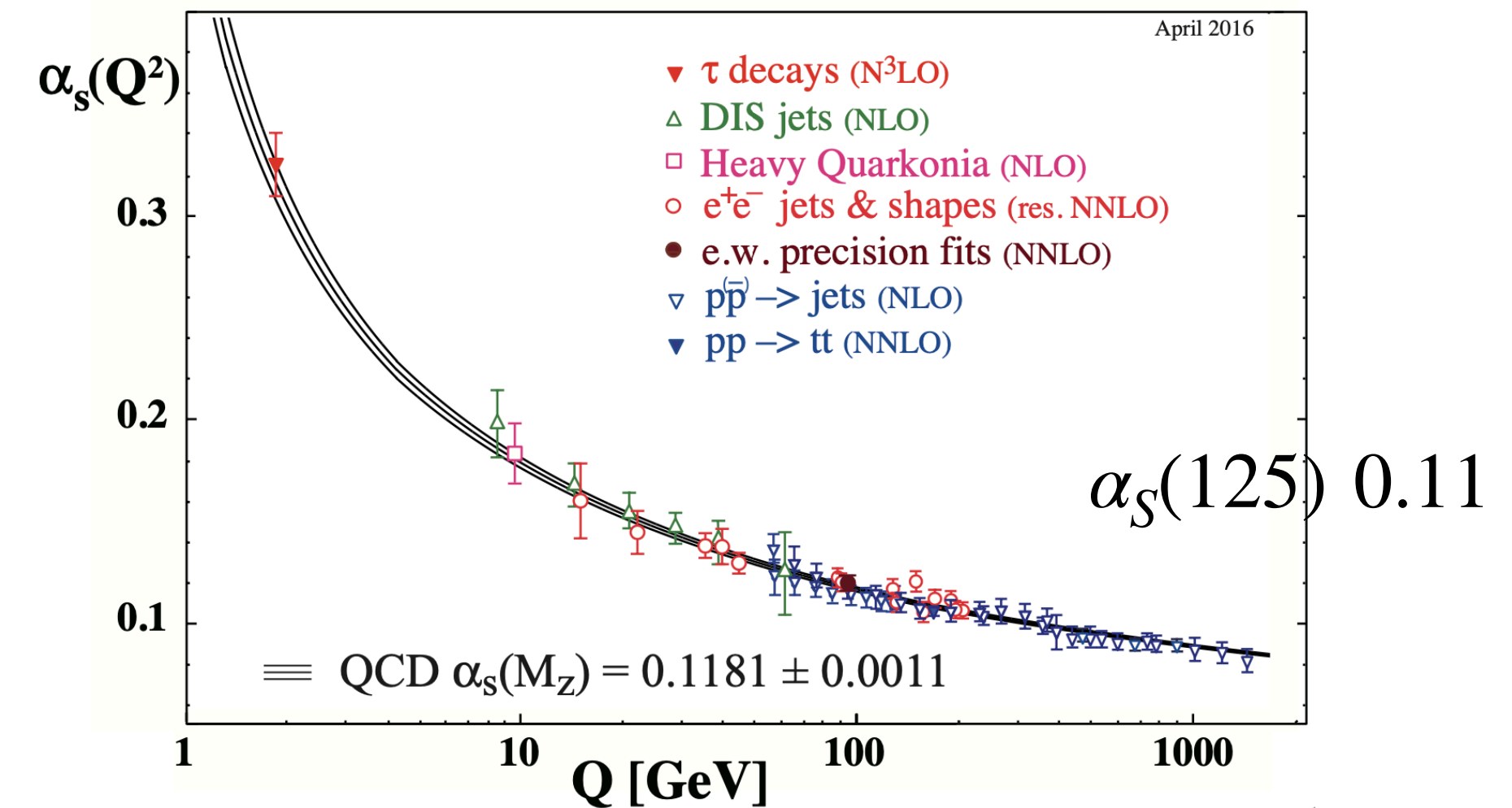
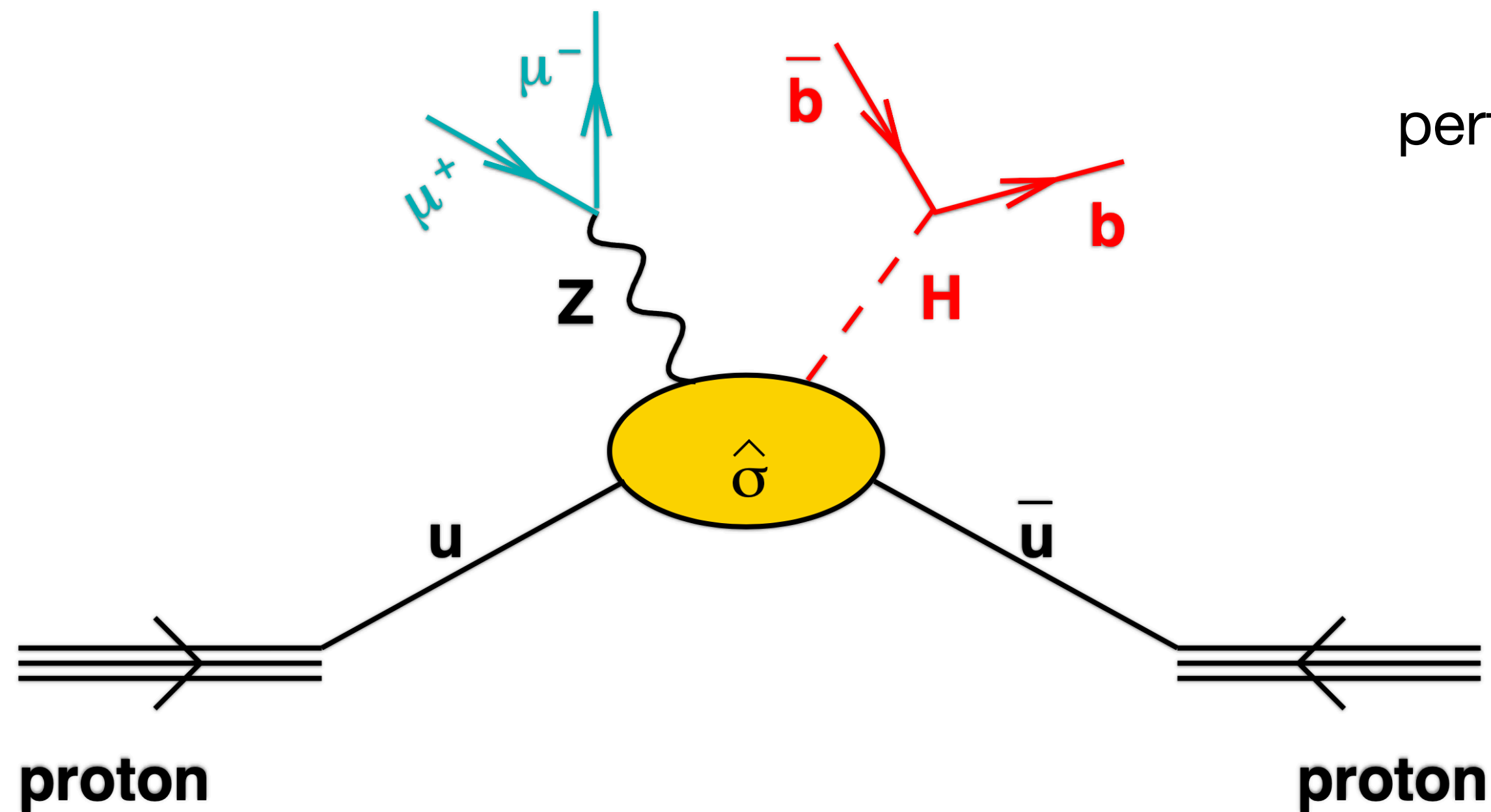


PDF: parton distribution function, probability that the parton carries a fraction  $x$  of the proton's momentum

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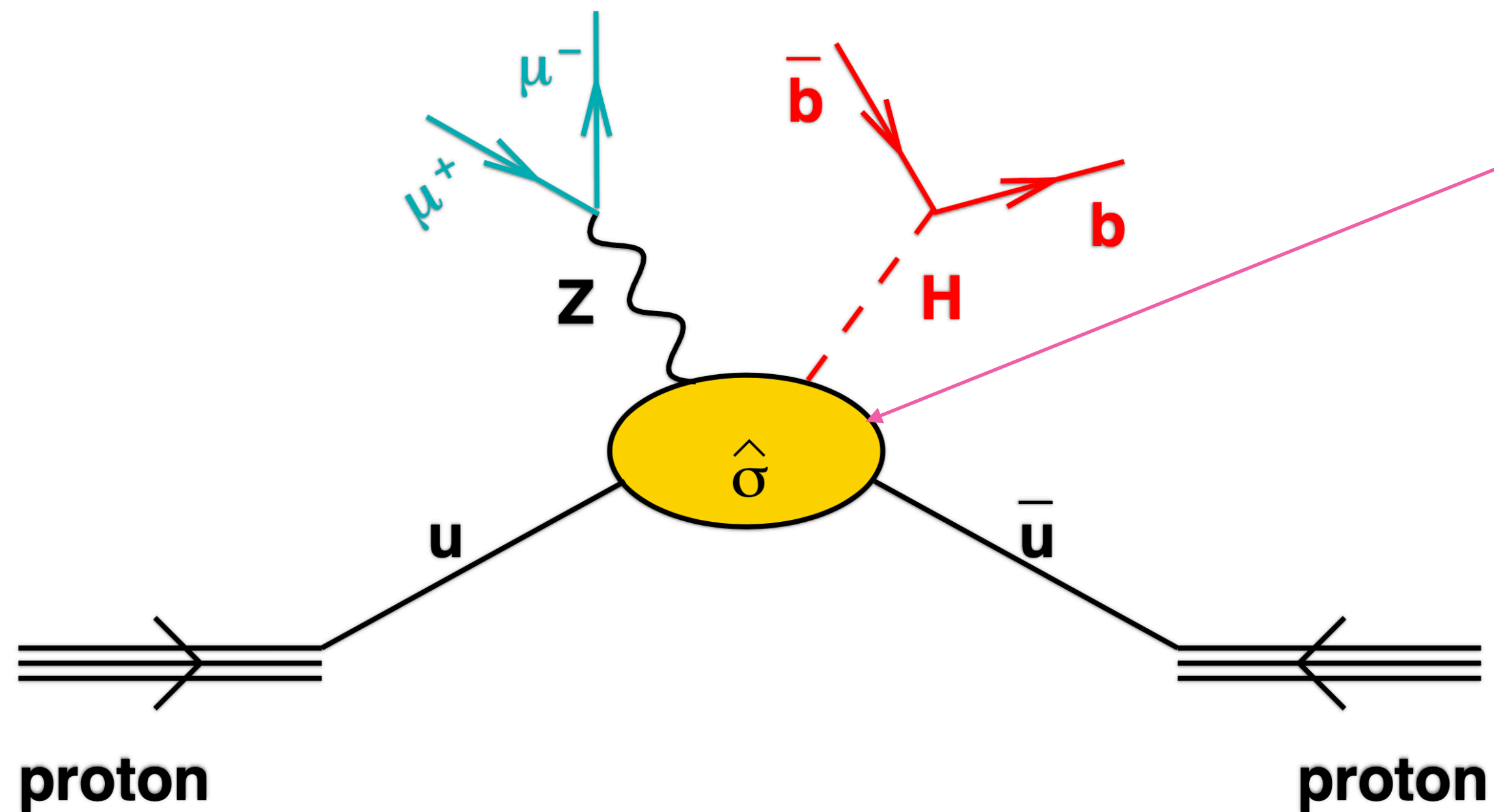
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perturbative sum over powers of the strong coupling



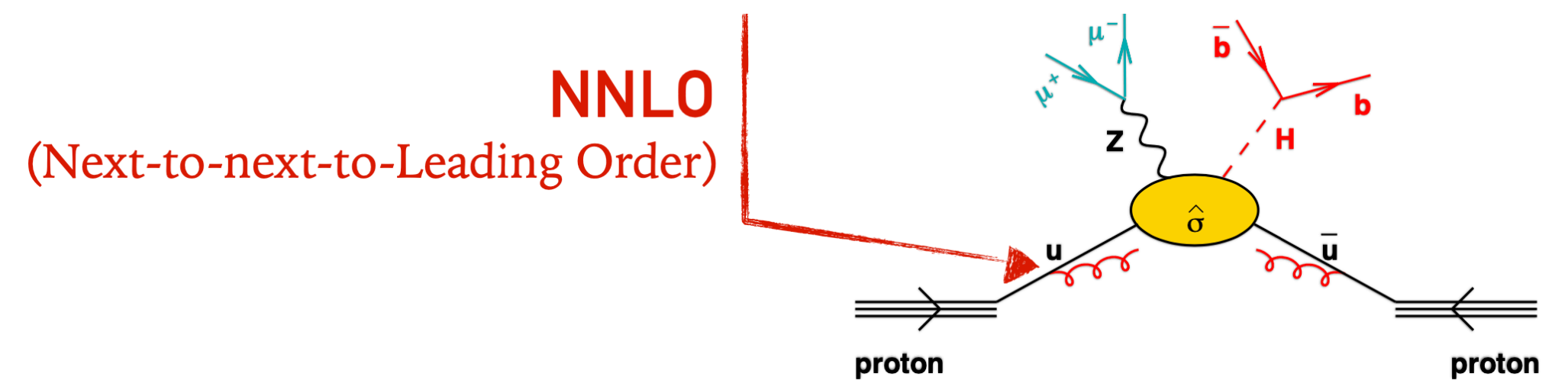
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hard matrix element, at the specific order

$$\sigma = \sigma_0 + \alpha_s \sigma_1 + \alpha_s^2 \sigma_2 + \alpha_s^3 \sigma_3 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^4)$$



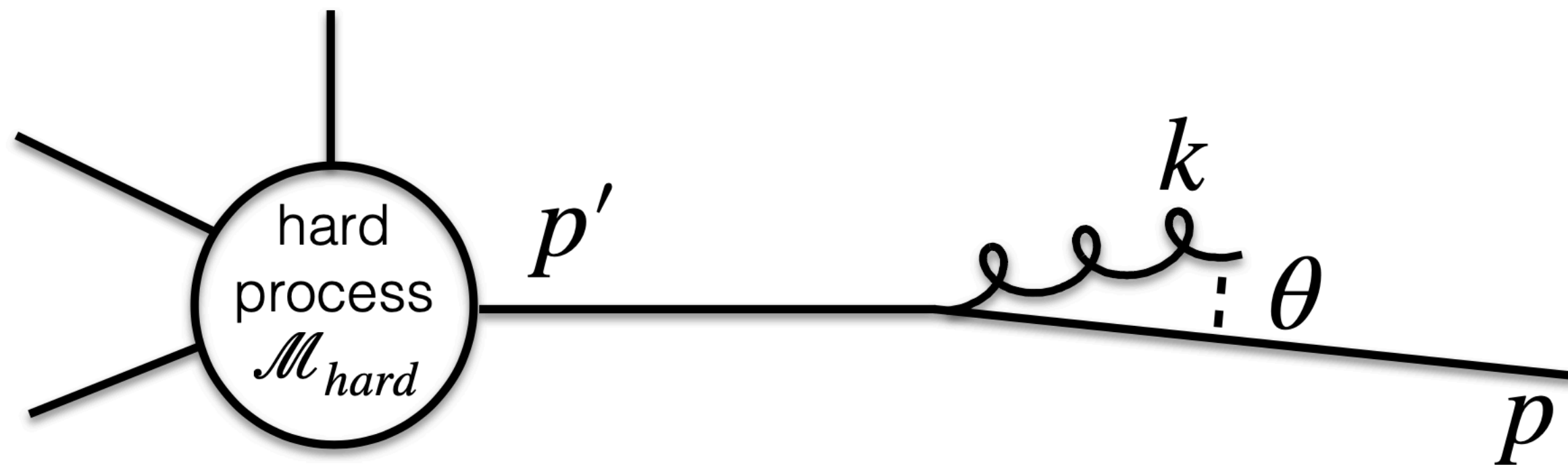
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the master formula holds to all orders in perturbation theory up to terms which are suppressed by  $\Lambda^2/Q_{min}^2$  where  $\Lambda$  is the non-perturbative scale in QCD and  $Q_{min}^2$  is the minimum hard energy scale probed by the process.

ie. in the case of the inclusive jet cross section,  $Q_{min} = p_{T,jet}$

## Partons gonna radiate



The soft gluon emission probability diverges:

In the soft limit  $E_k \rightarrow 0$

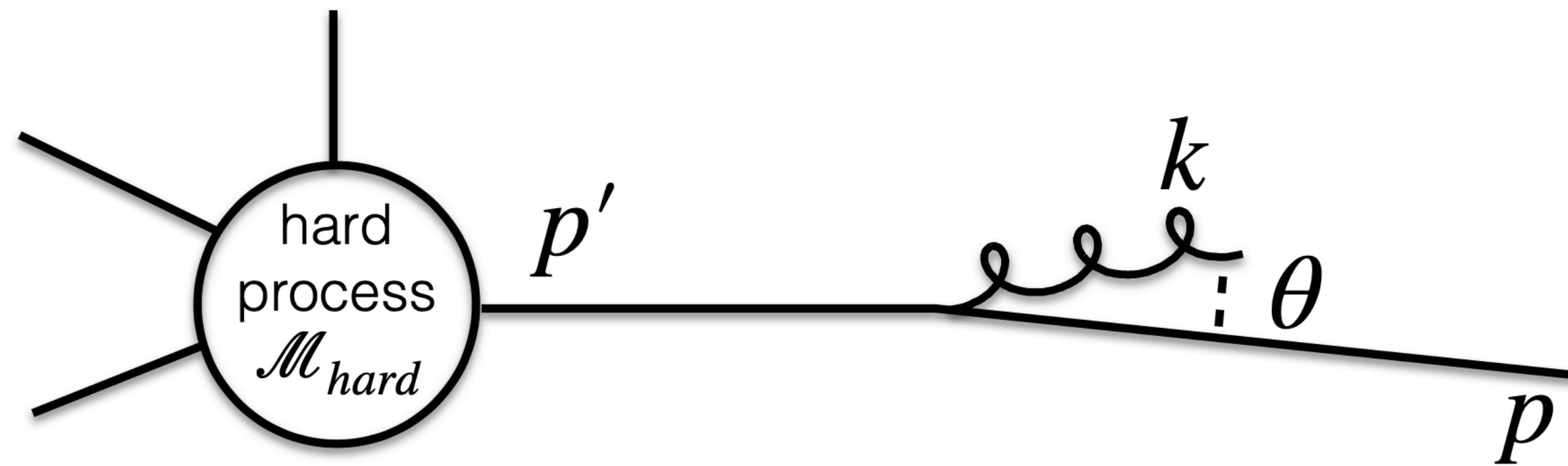
In the collinear limit  $\theta \rightarrow 0$

$$|\mathcal{M}|^2 d\Phi \simeq |\mathcal{M}_{hard}|^2 d\Phi_{hard} \cdot \frac{2C_F \alpha_s}{\pi} \frac{dE_k}{E_k} \frac{d\theta}{\theta}$$

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The number of radiated gluons is large

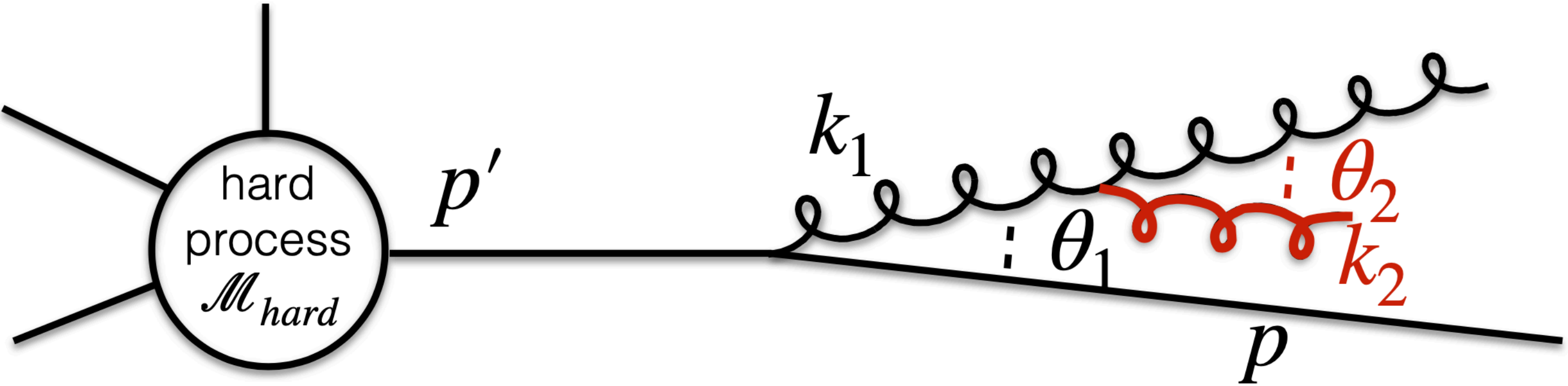
$$\langle N_{gluons} \rangle = \int dP = \frac{2C_F \alpha_s}{\pi} \int_{\frac{\Delta_{QCD}}{E_p}}^1 \frac{d\theta}{\theta} \int_{\frac{\Delta_{QCD}}{\theta}}^{E_p} \frac{dE_k}{E_k} =$$

$$\frac{\alpha_s C_F}{\pi} \ln^2 \frac{E_p}{\Delta_{QCD}}$$

Take  $\alpha_s(E_p) = \left( 2b_0 \ln \frac{E_p}{\Delta_{QCD}} \right)^{-1}$

$$\langle N_{gluons} \rangle \sim \frac{1}{\alpha_s} \gg 1$$

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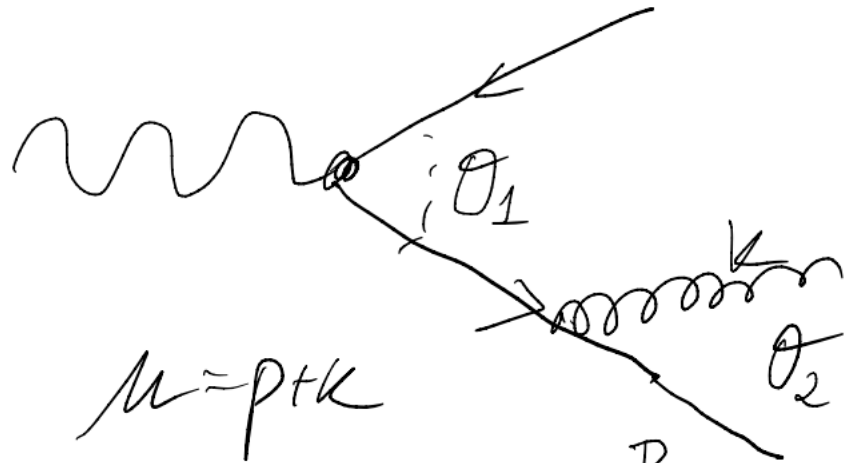


The emission of a second gluon from the first gluon also factorizes with probability:

$$dP_{gluon-2-from-gluon-1} = \frac{2C_A \alpha_s}{\pi} \frac{dE_2}{E_2} \frac{d\theta_2}{\theta_2}$$

And the emissions are going to be **ordered in angle**

Intuitive explanation of angular ordering



• lifetime of virtual intermediate state

$$\tau = \frac{\hbar}{\mu} = \frac{\hbar}{E} = \frac{1}{k_{\perp} \theta_2}$$

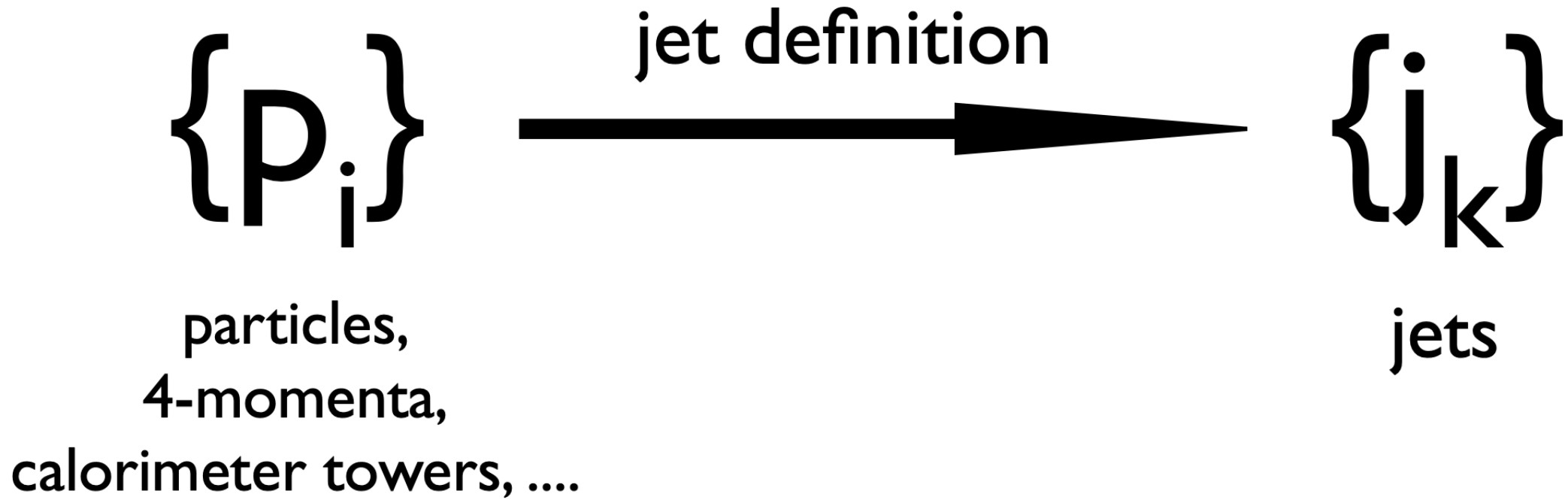
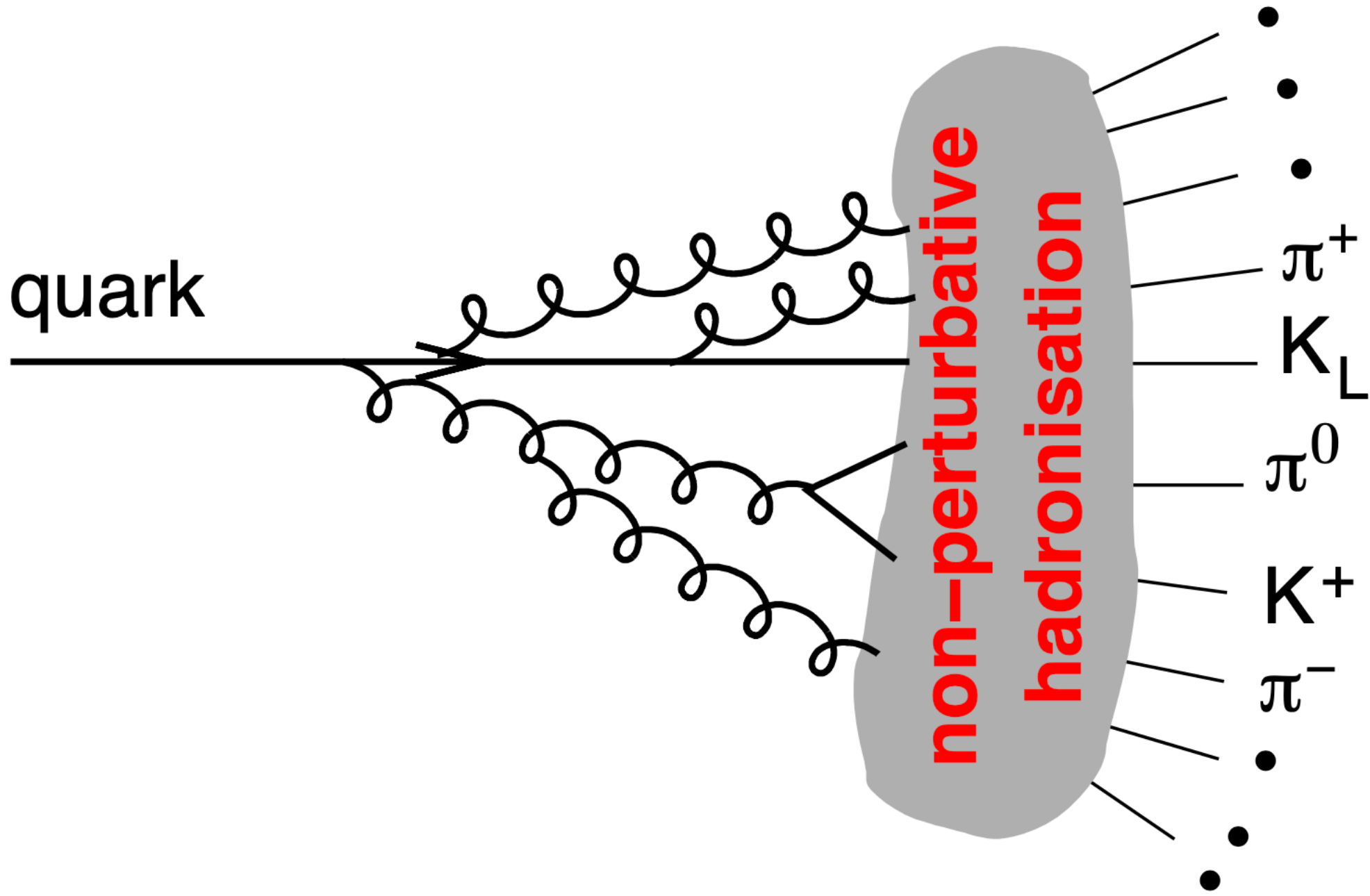
• Distance between  $q$  and  $\bar{q}$  after  $\tau$

$$d = \theta_1 \cdot \tau = \frac{\theta_1}{\theta_2} \cdot \frac{1}{k_{\perp}}$$

• If transverse wavelength of the emitted gluon is longer than separation  $d \rightarrow q\bar{q}$  system appears as color neutral  $\rightarrow$  emission is suppressed!

$$d > \frac{1}{k_{\perp}} \rightarrow \boxed{\theta_2 < \theta_1}$$

# Parton cascade generates a collimated bunch of hadrons

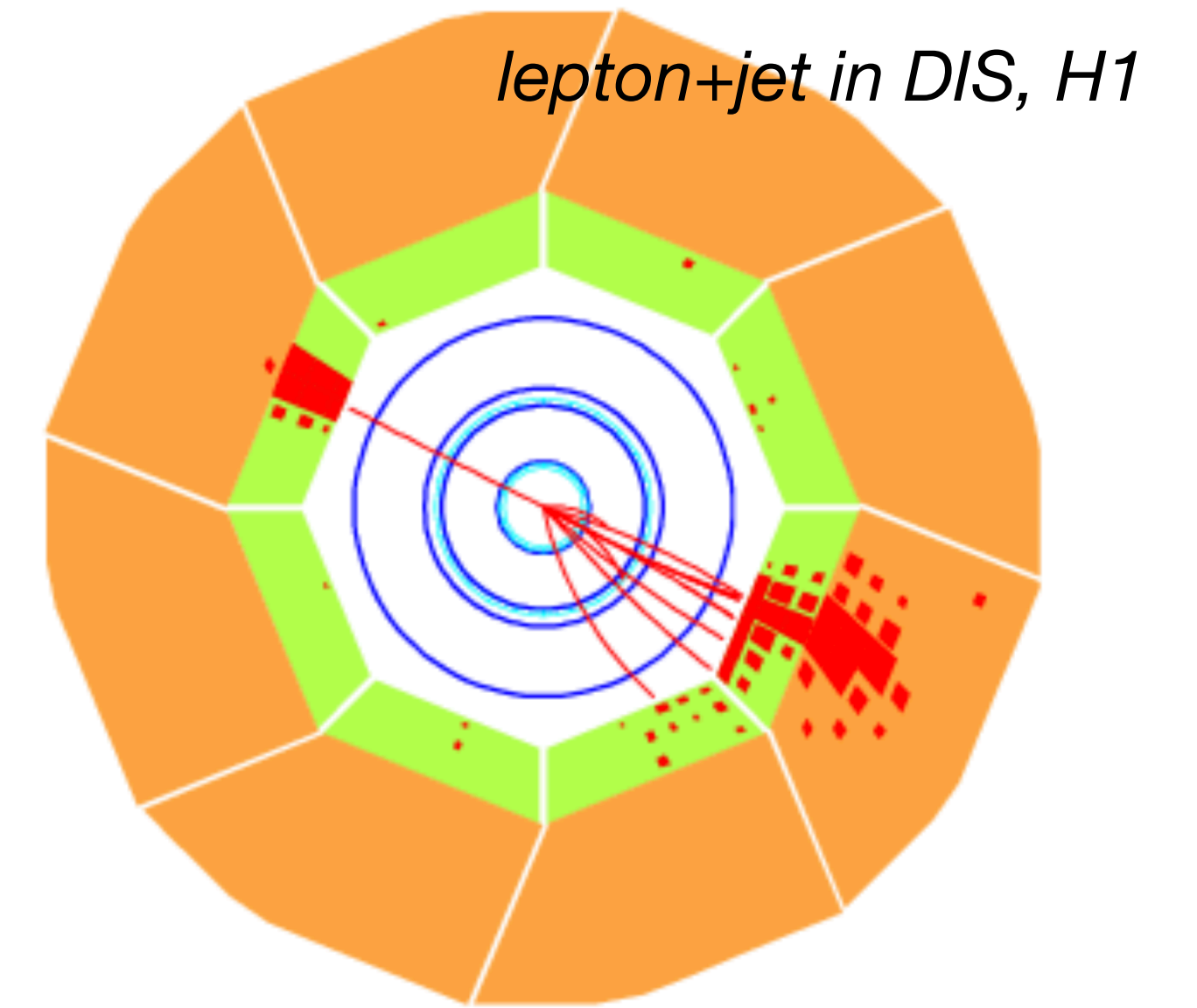
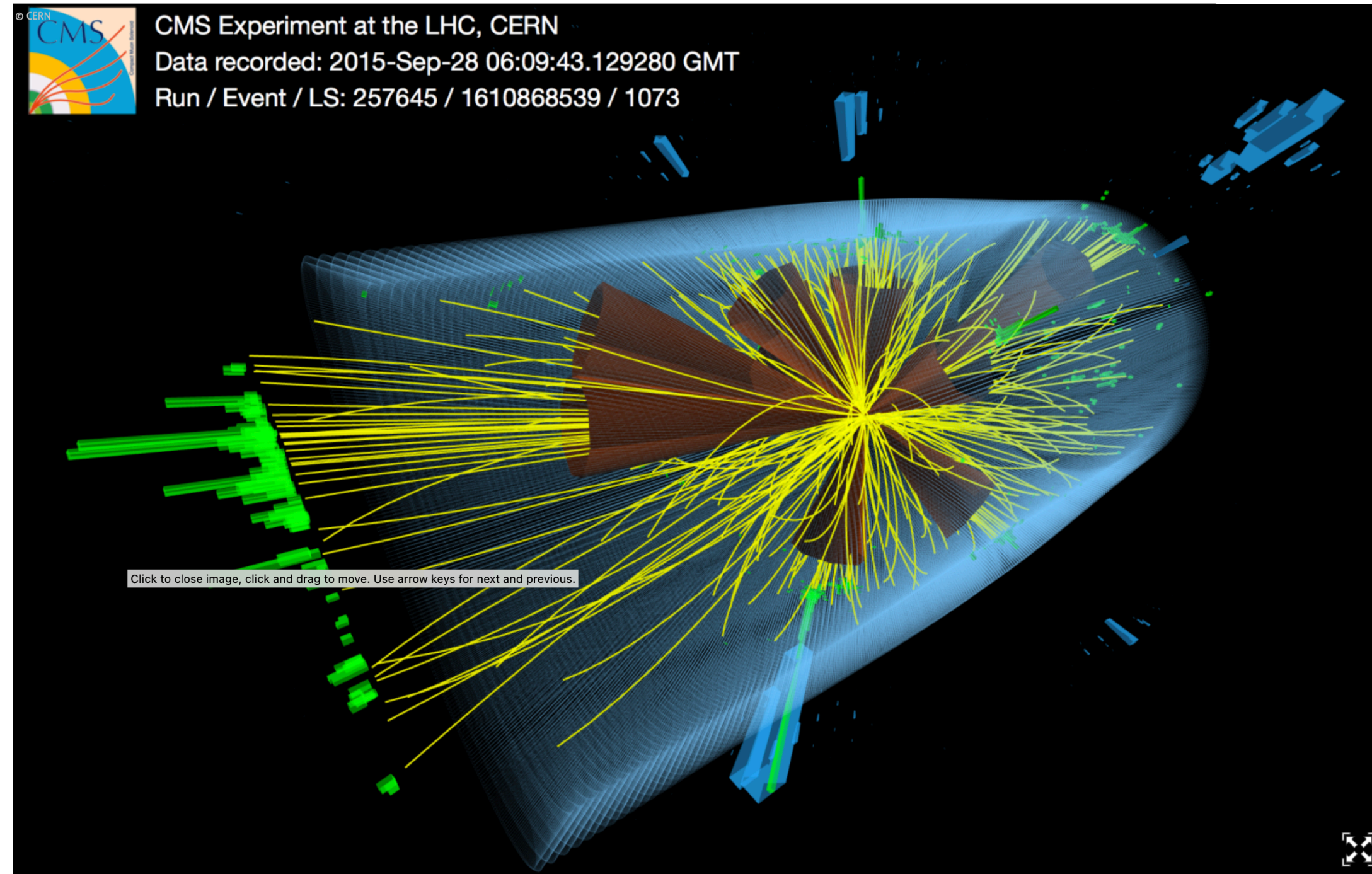


A jet definition allows to access the kinematics of the quark and gluons from the final products of the reaction

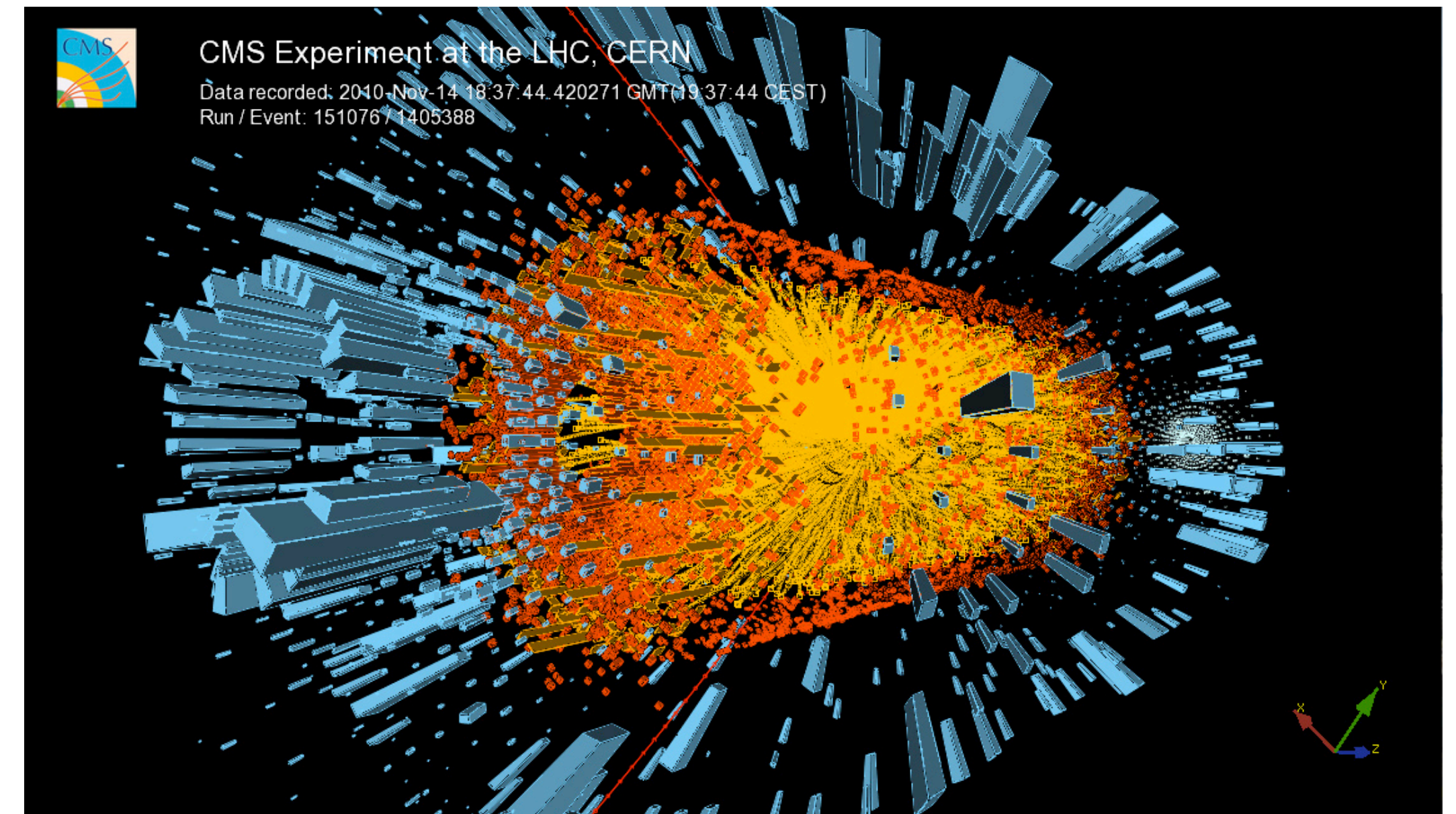
The radiation process continues, squeezing quarks and gluons into a collimated shower  
 When non-perturbative scales are reached, partons are confined into hadrons

# Examples of event displays, different collision systems

*pp collision, CMS*

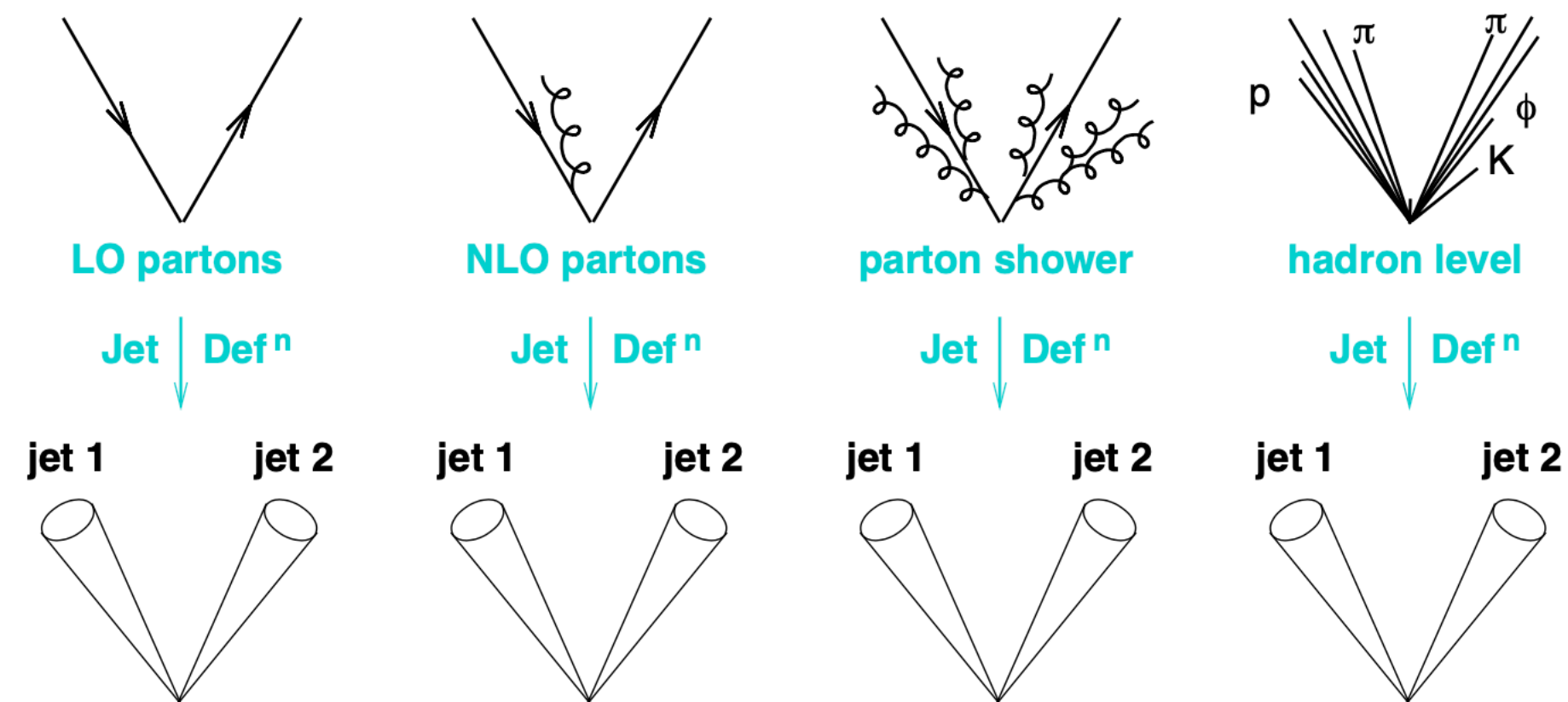


*central Pb+Pb collision, CMS*



# Important properties a jet finding algorithm must satisfy

1. Simple to implement in an experimental analysis;
2. Simple to implement in the theoretical calculation;
3. Defined at any order of perturbation theory;
4. Yields finite cross sections at any order of perturbation theory;
5. Yields a cross section that is relatively insensitive to hadronisation.



# Key property: infrared and collinear safety

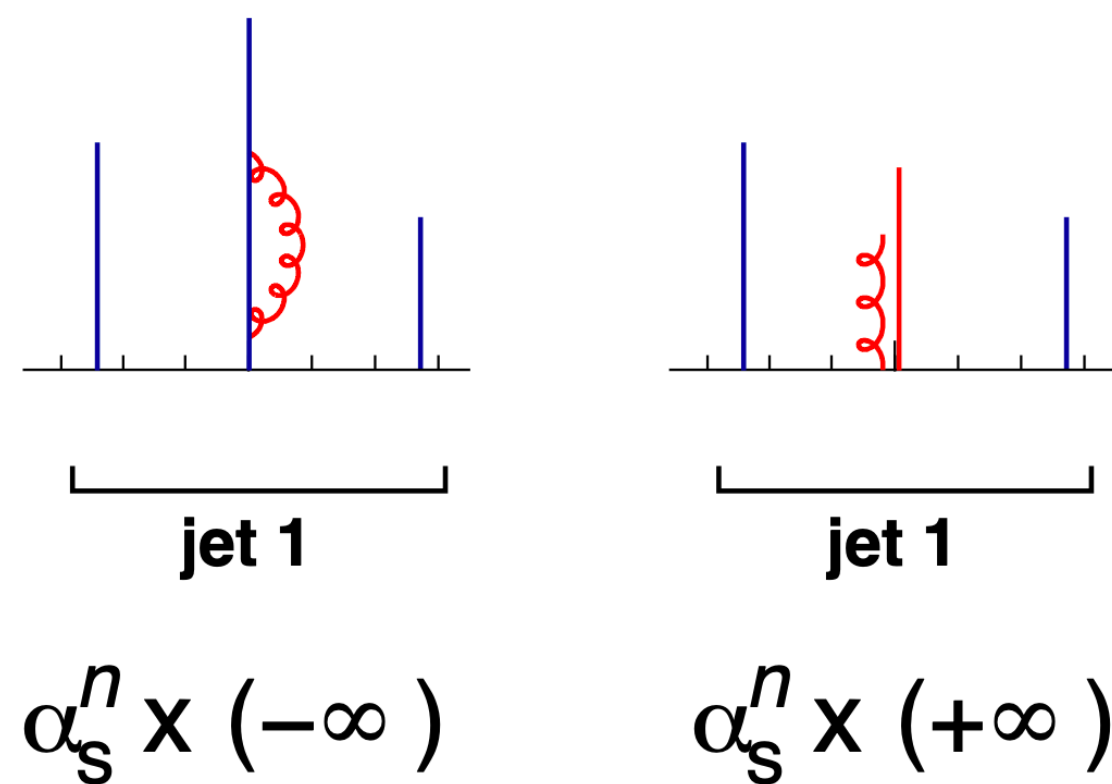
For an observable's distribution to be calculable in [fixed-order] perturbation theory, the observable should be infra-red safe, i.e. insensitive to the emission of soft or collinear gluons. In particular if  $\vec{p}_i$  is any momentum occurring in its definition, it must be invariant under the branching

$$\vec{p}_i \rightarrow \vec{p}_j + \vec{p}_k$$

whenever  $\vec{p}_j$  and  $\vec{p}_k$  are parallel [collinear] or one of them is small [infrared].

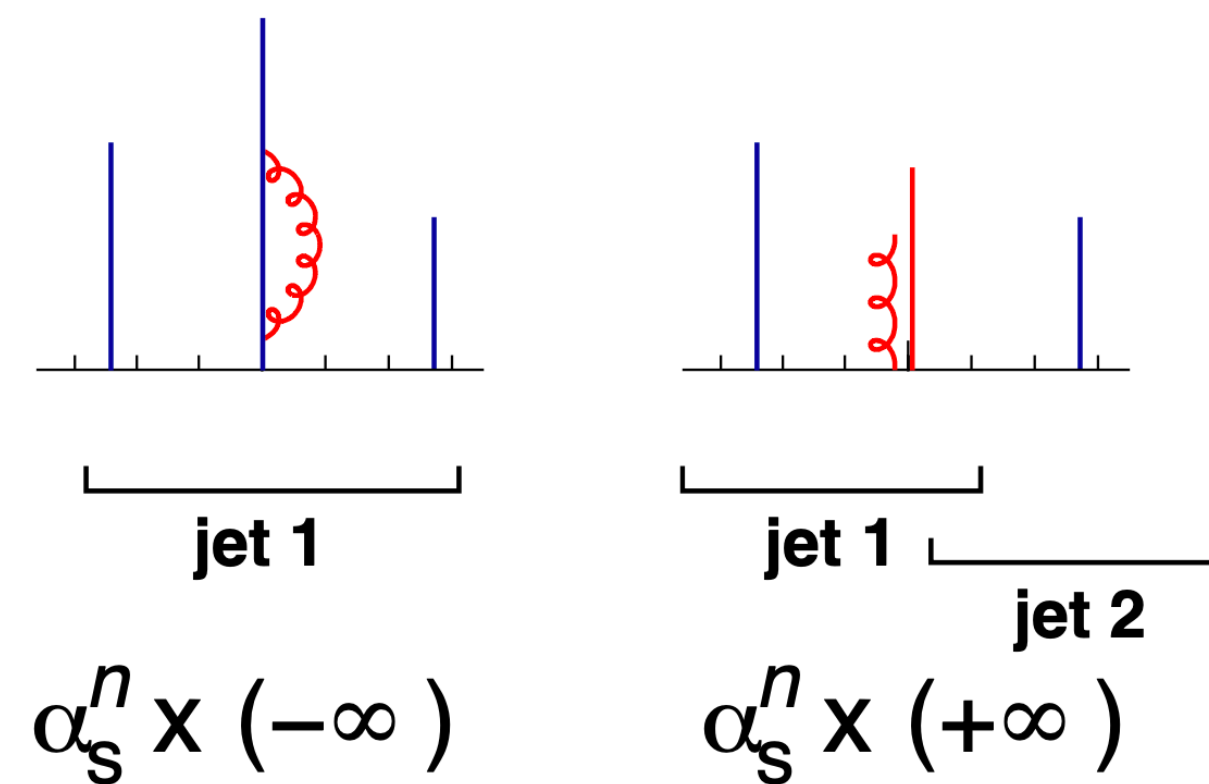
[QCD and Collider Physics (Ellis, Stirling & Webber)]

## Collinear Safe



**Infinities cancel**

## Collinear Unsafe



**Infinities do not cancel**

# Sequential recombination jet algorithms

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(These are the two parameters in essentially every widely used hadron-collider jet algorithm)

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## $p=0$ Cambridge-Aachen

*Dokshitzer, Leder, Moretti, Webber '97*

*Wobisch, Wengler '99*

privileges collinear divergency

## $p=1$ $k_T$ algorithm

*S.D. Ellis and Soper '93*

*Catani, Dokshitzer, Seymour, Webber '93*

## $p=-1$ anti- $k_T$ algorithm

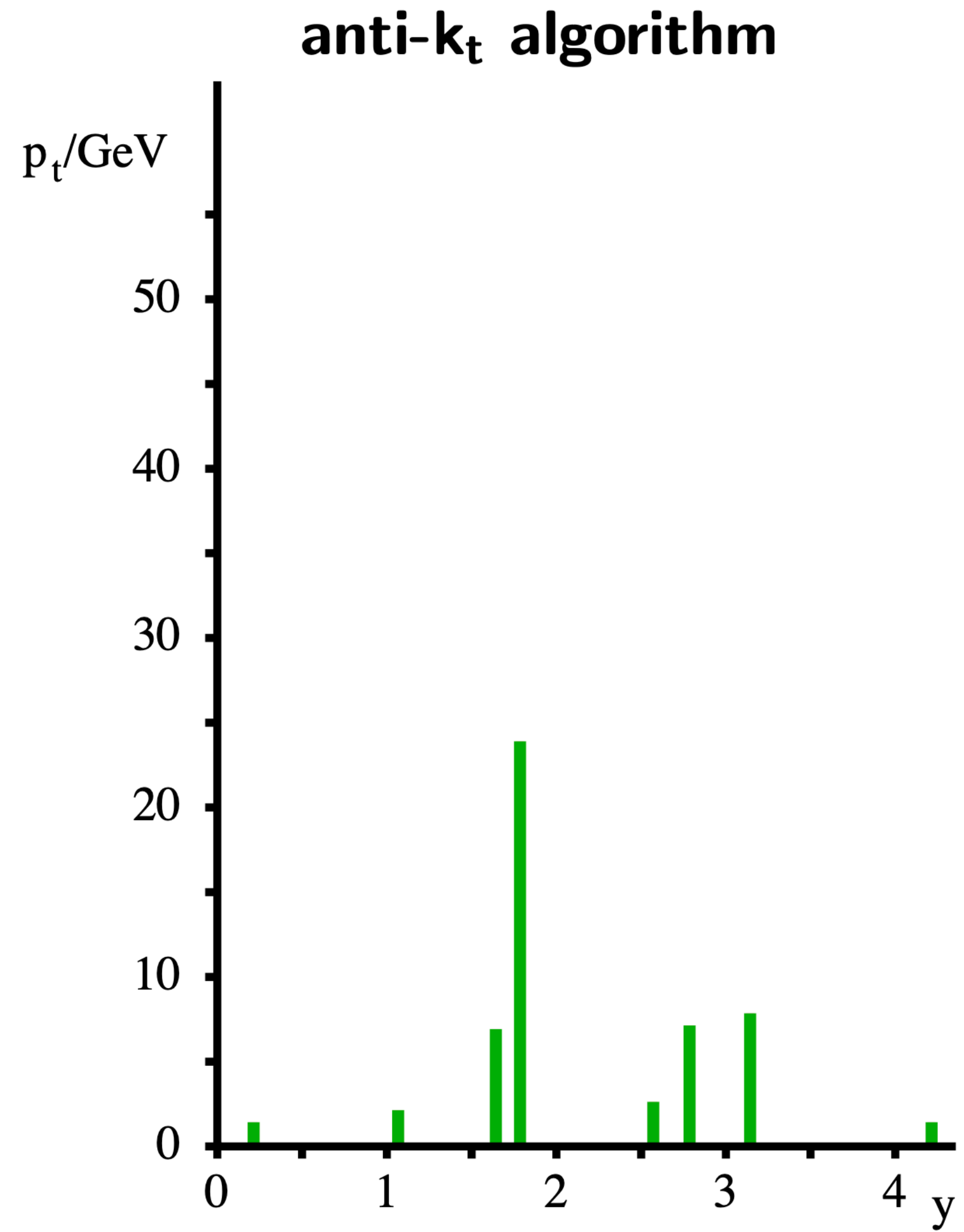
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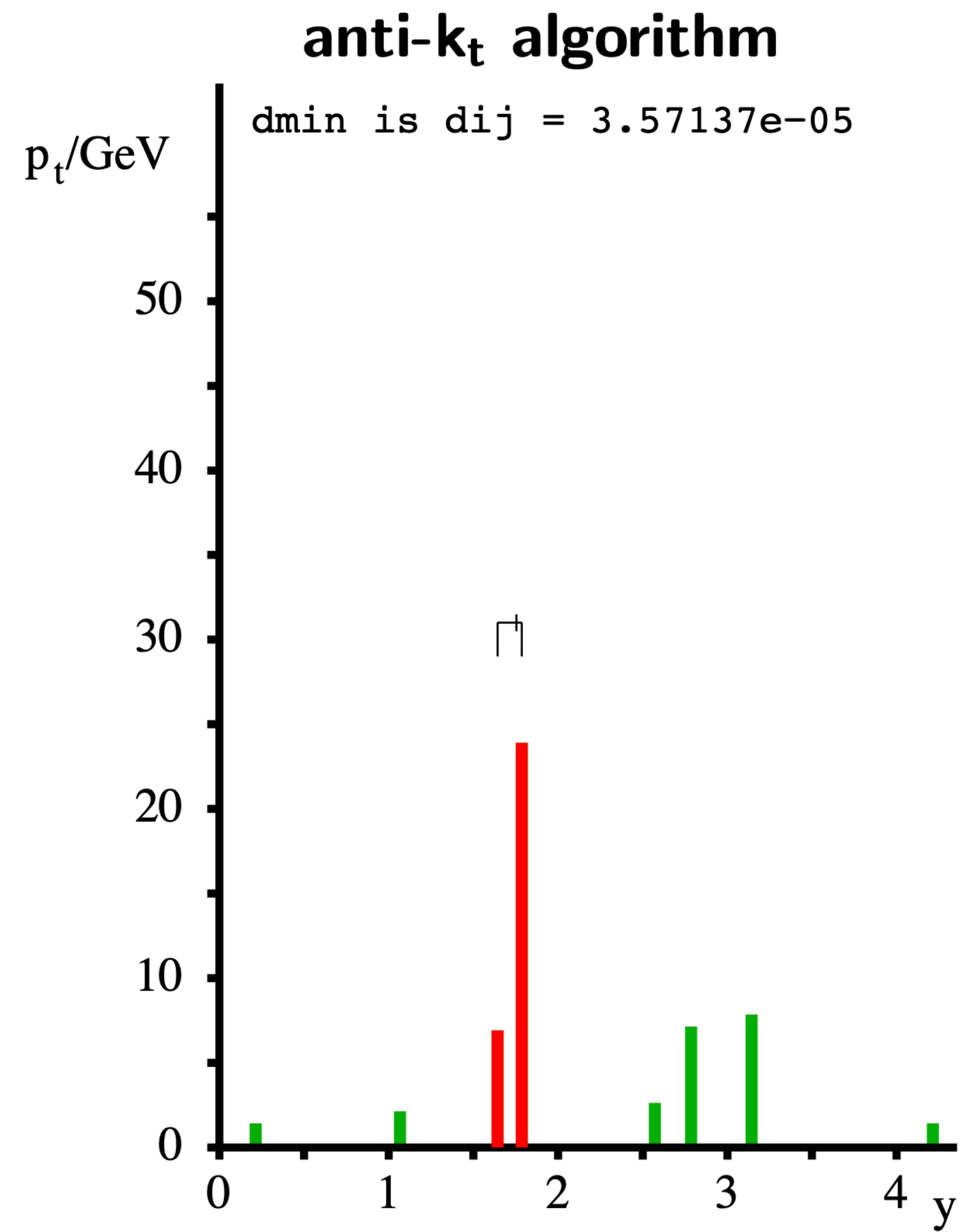
disfavours combination among soft particles



# The algorithm in practice

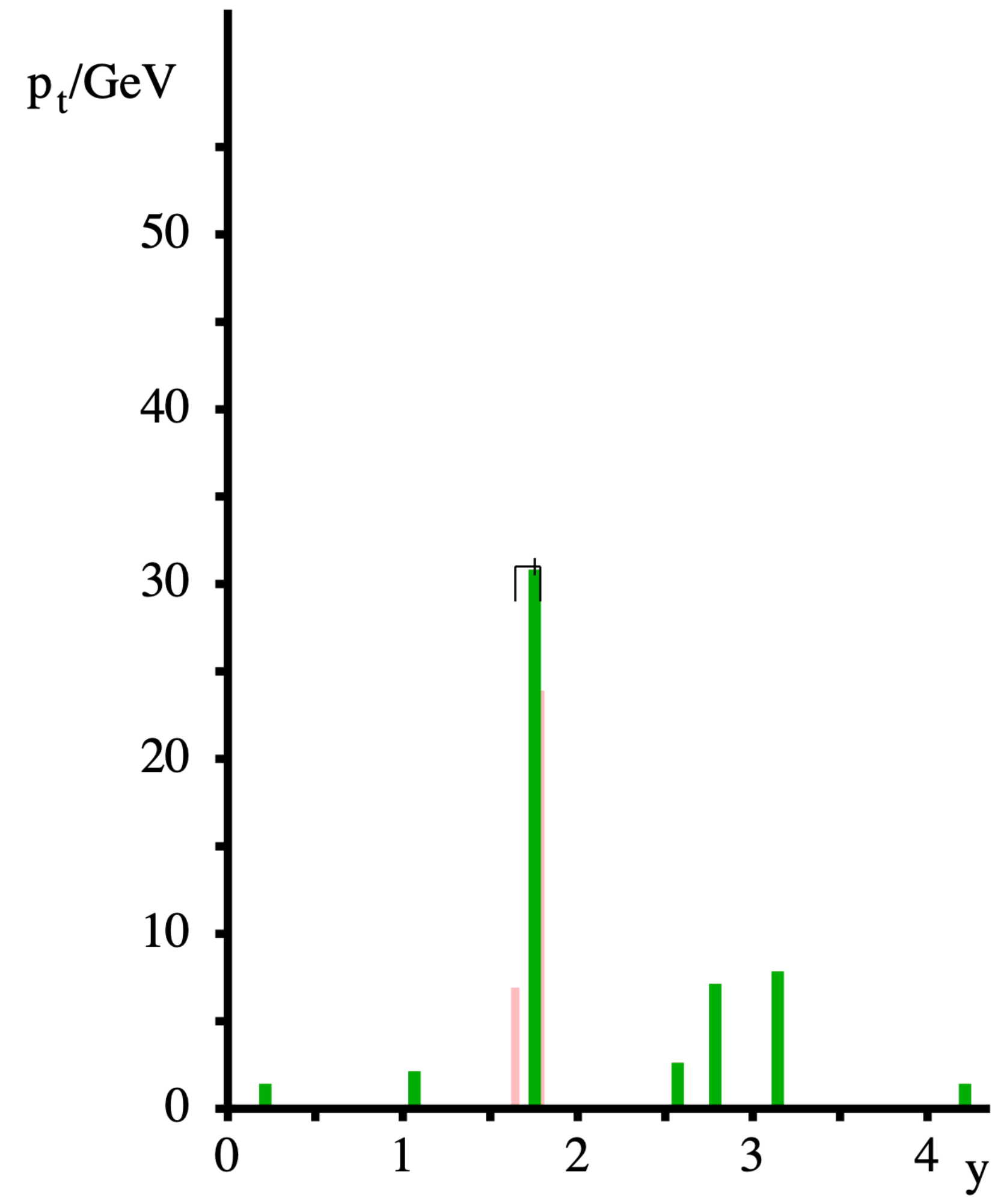


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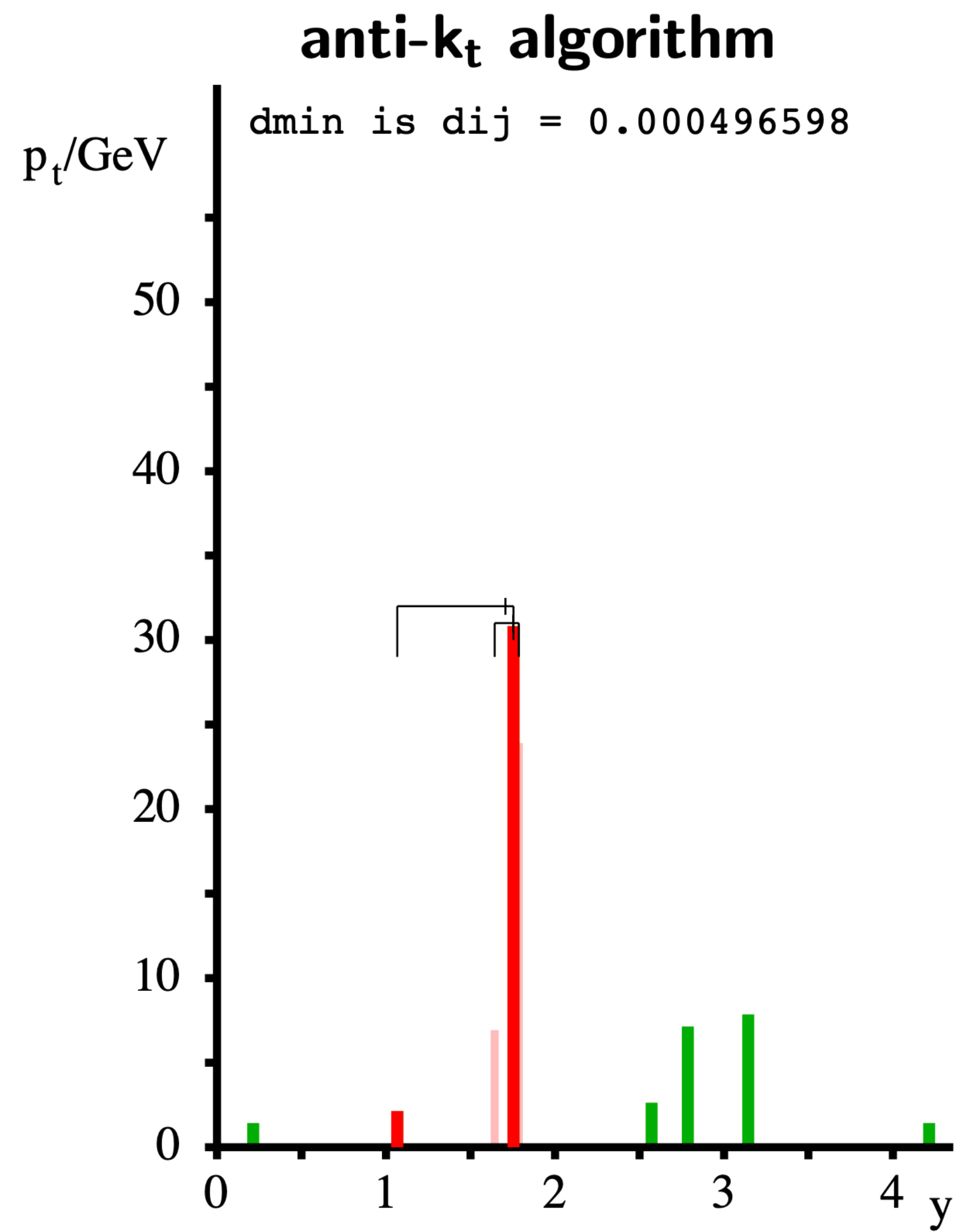


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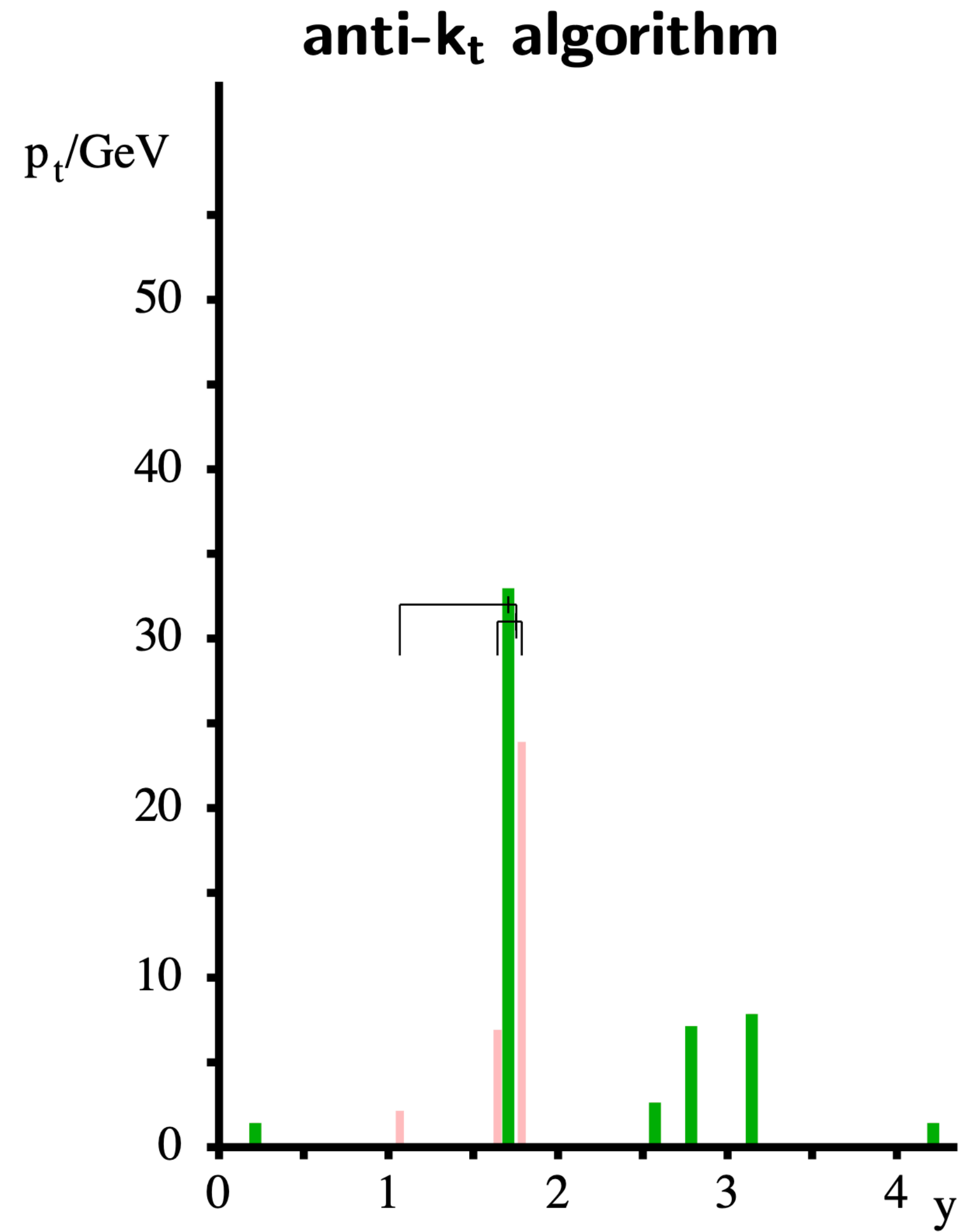
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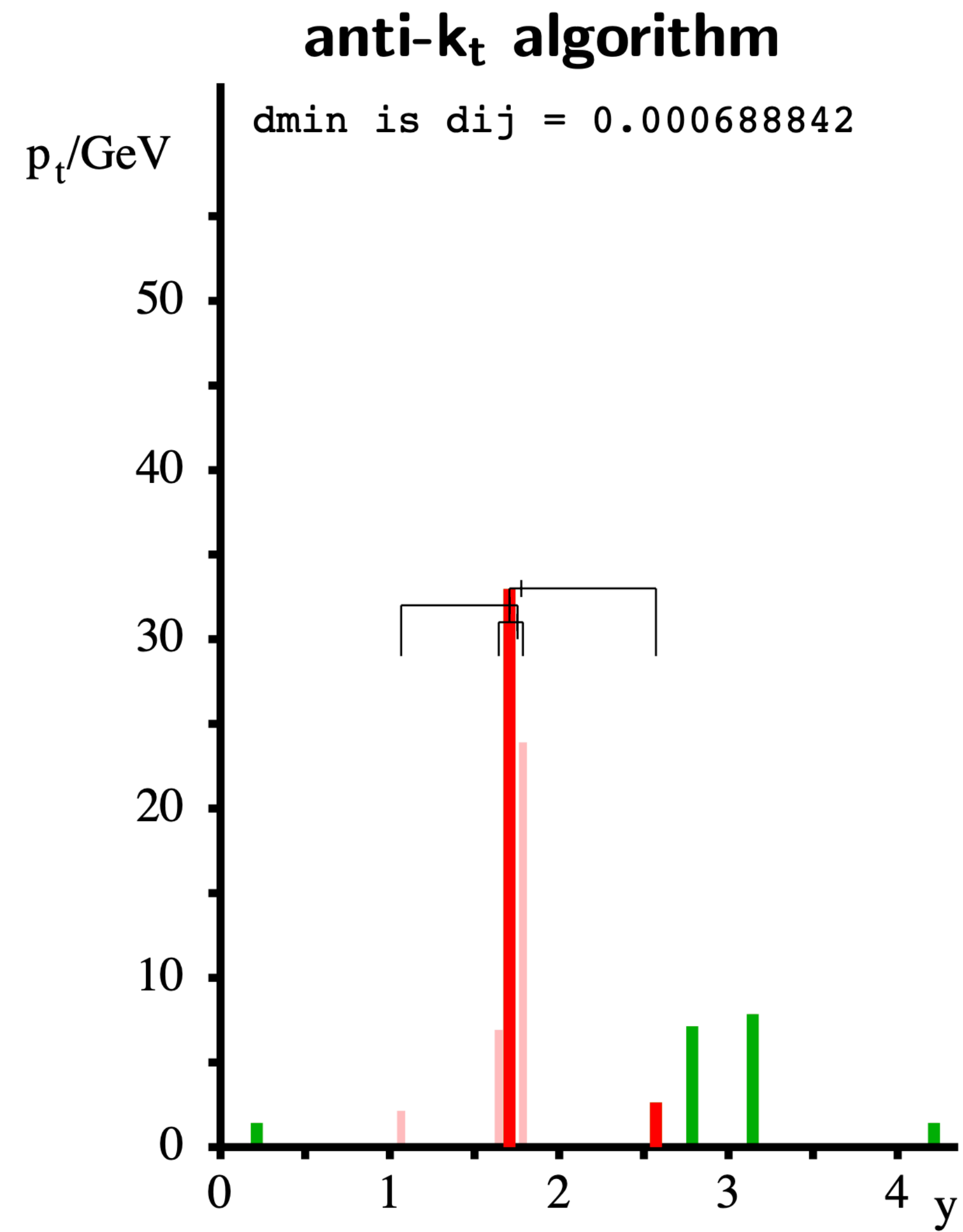
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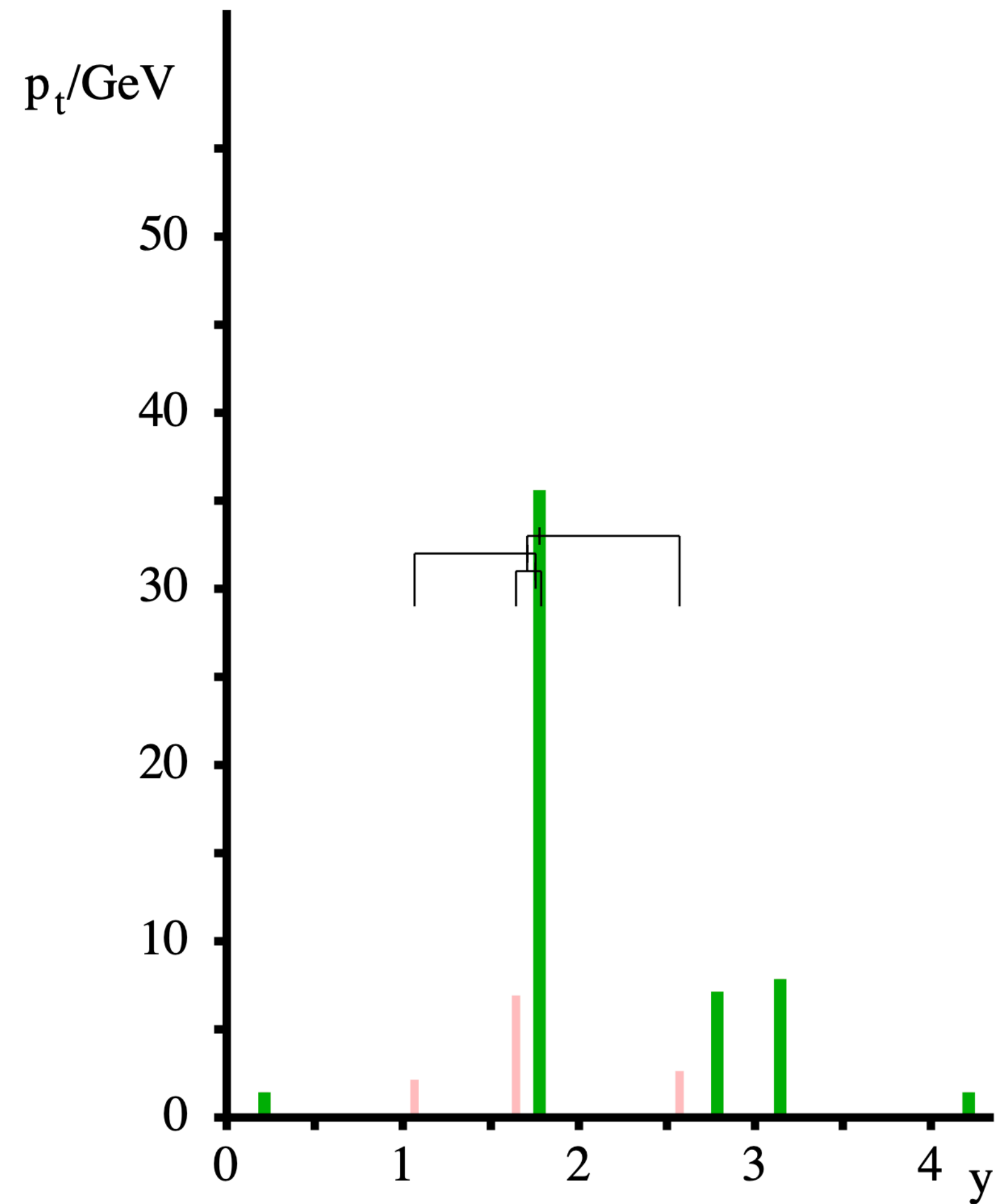


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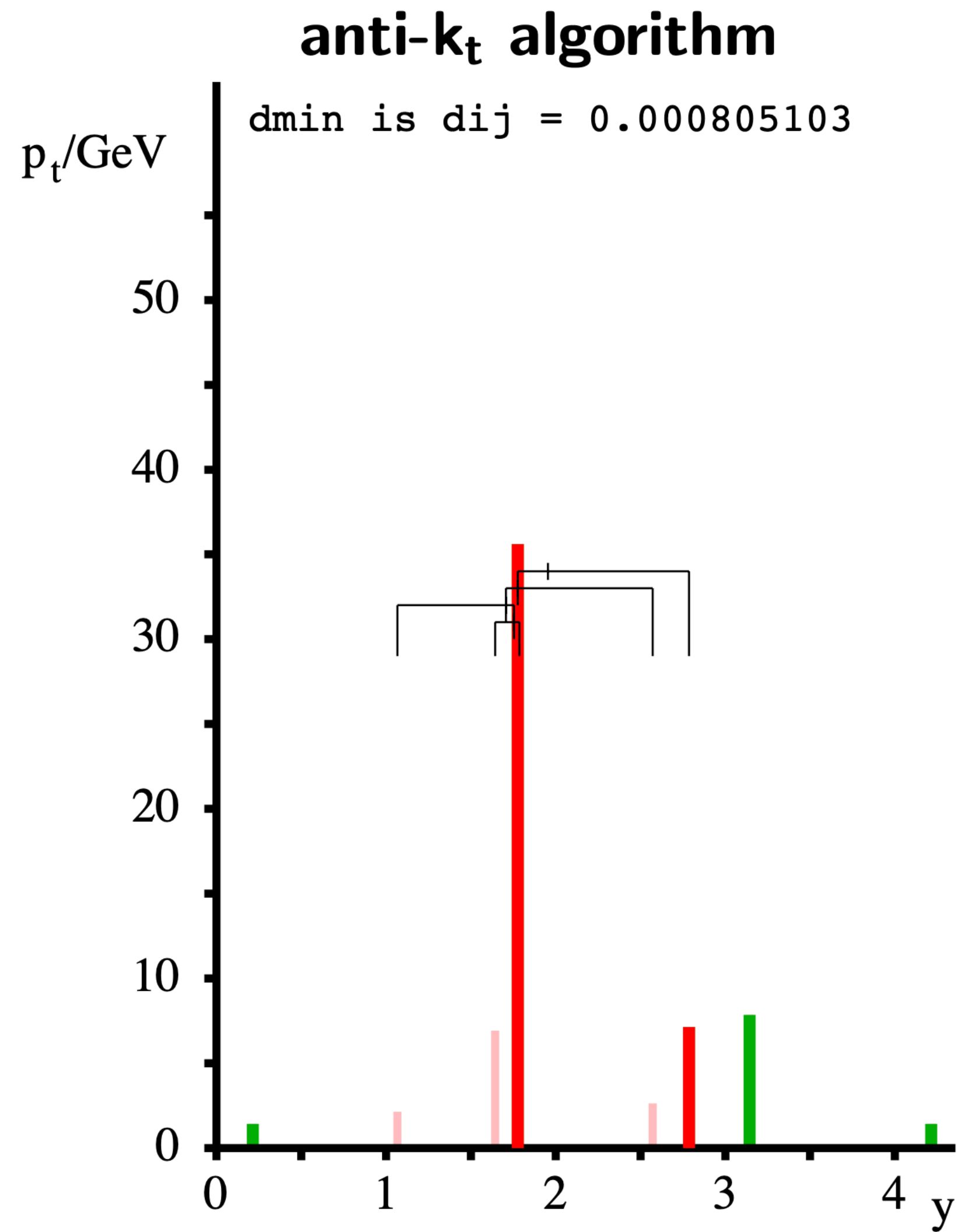


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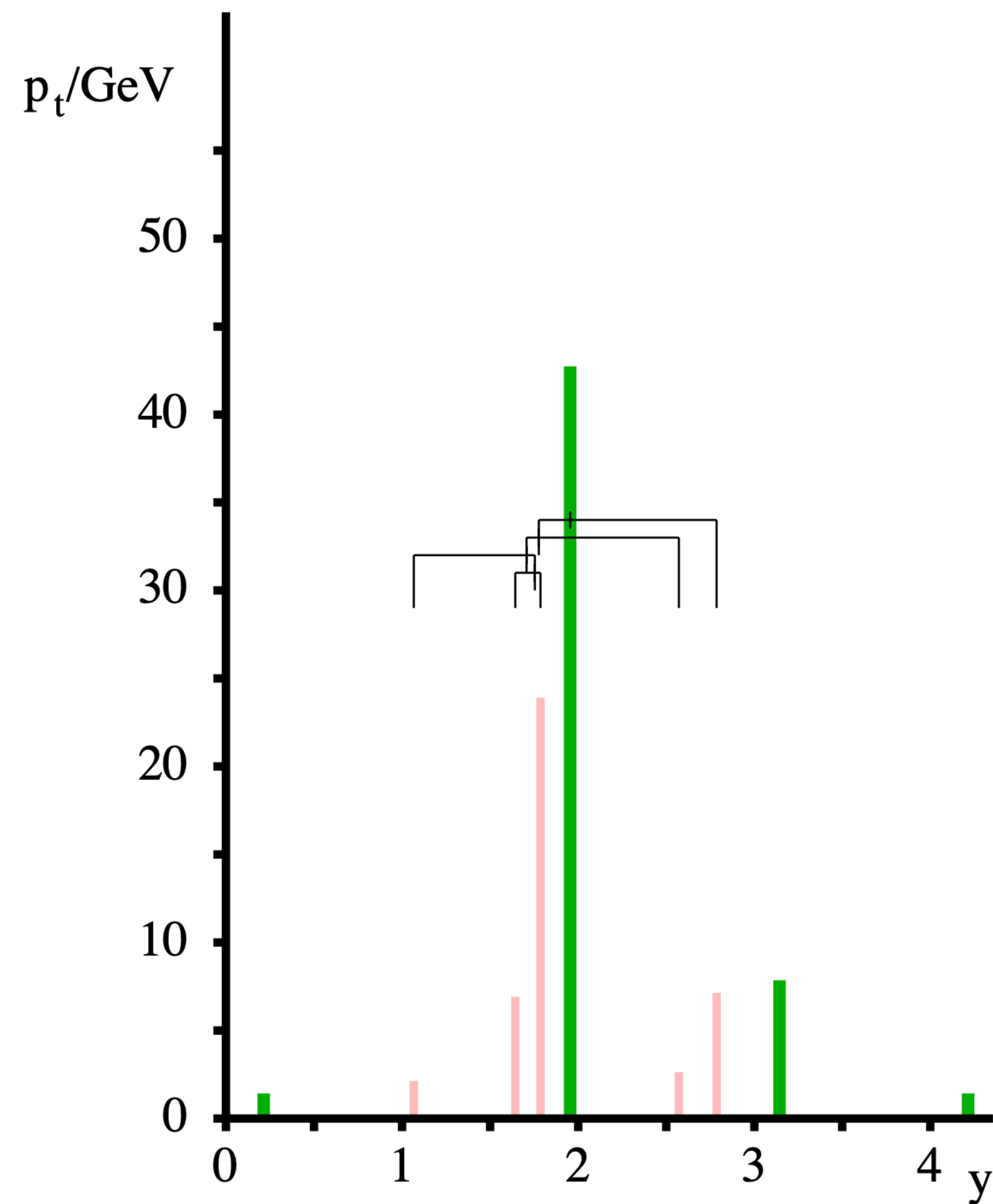
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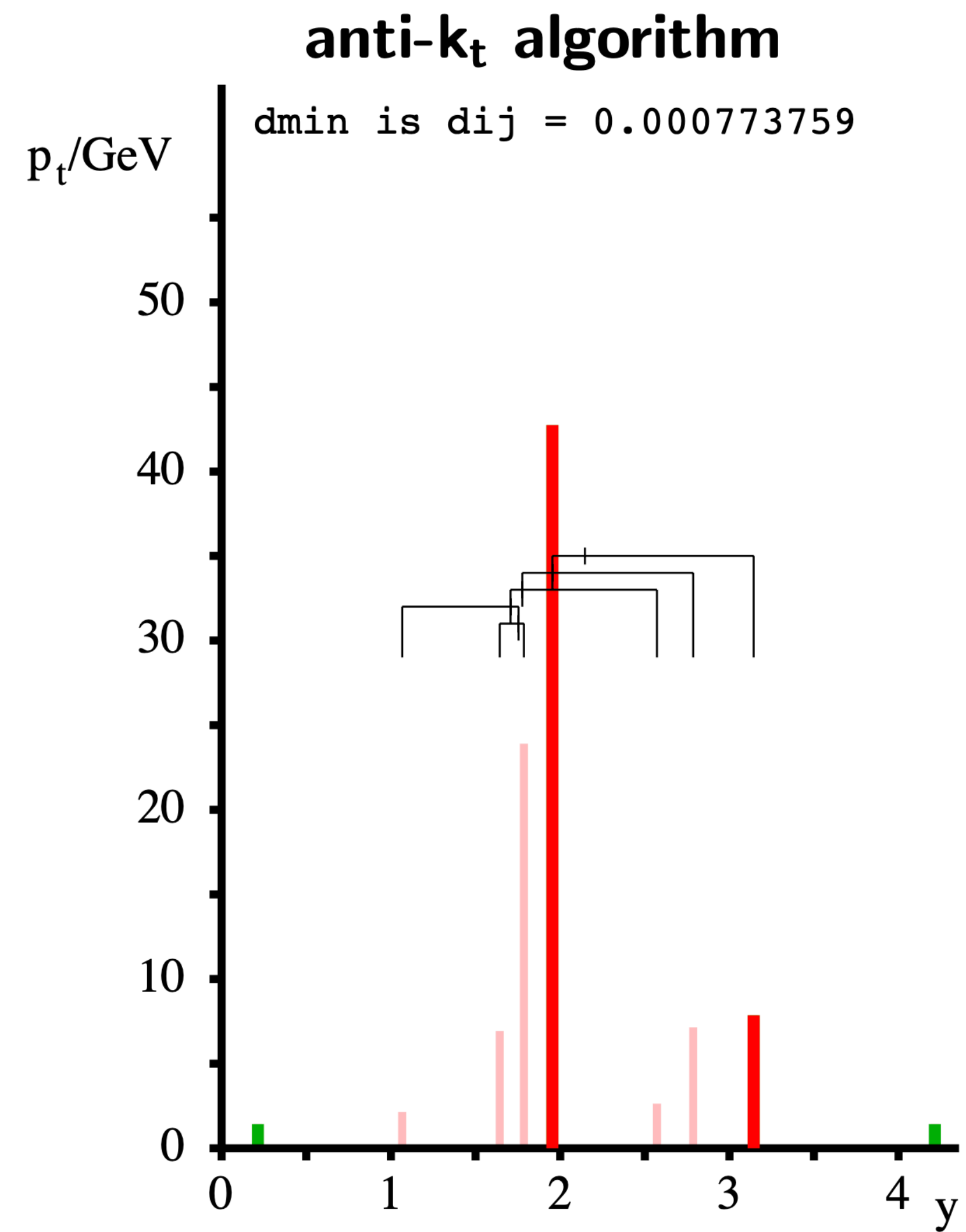


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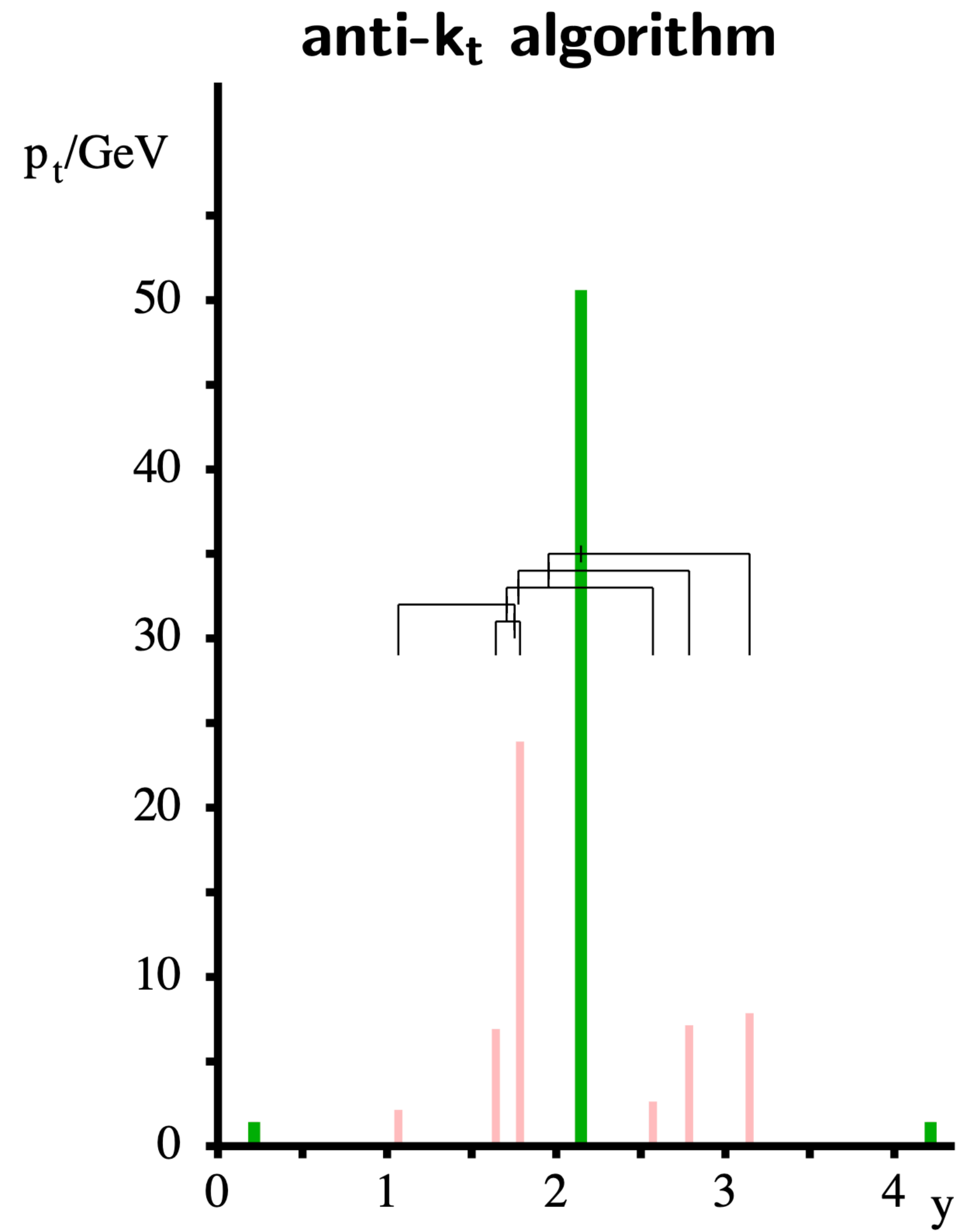
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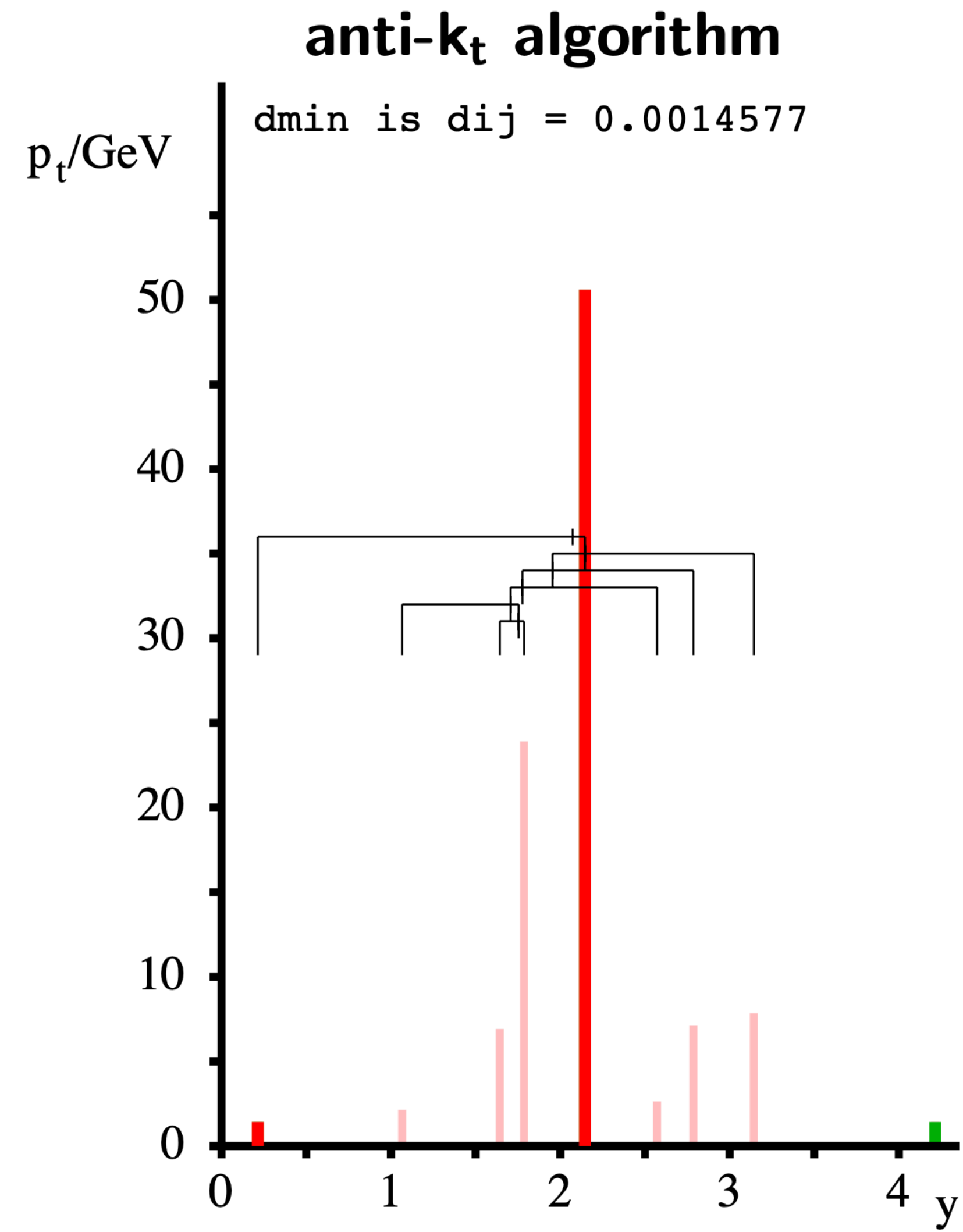
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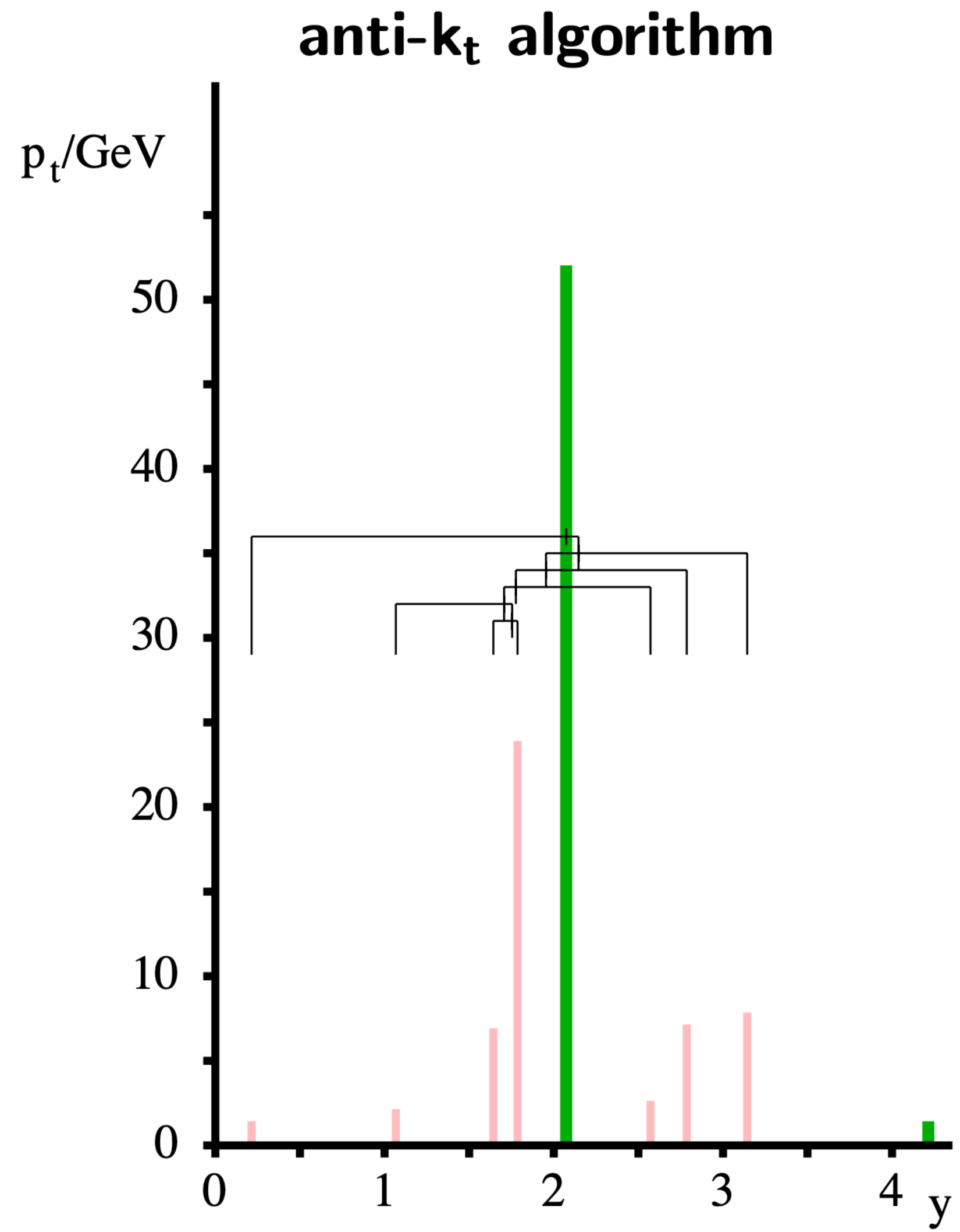
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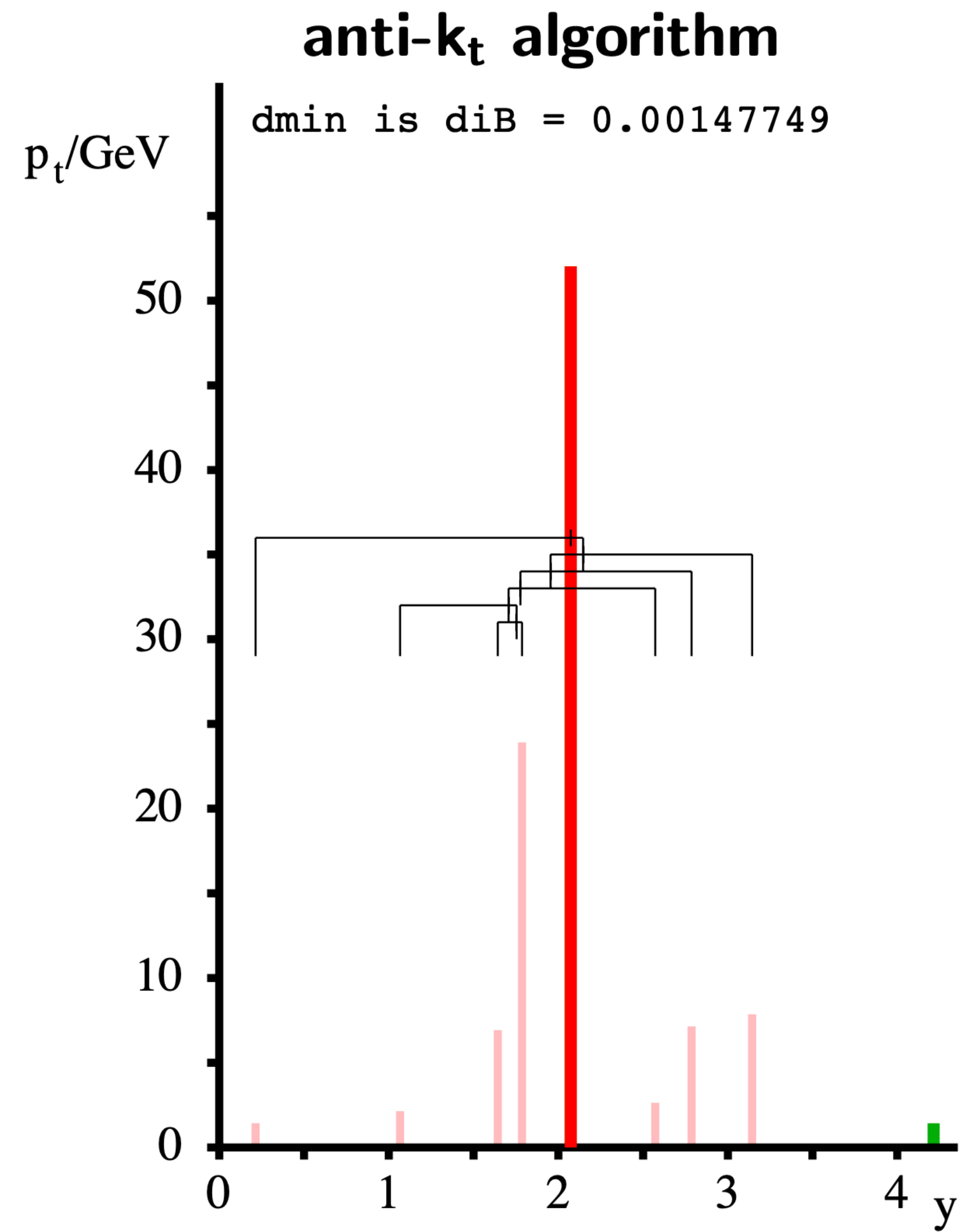
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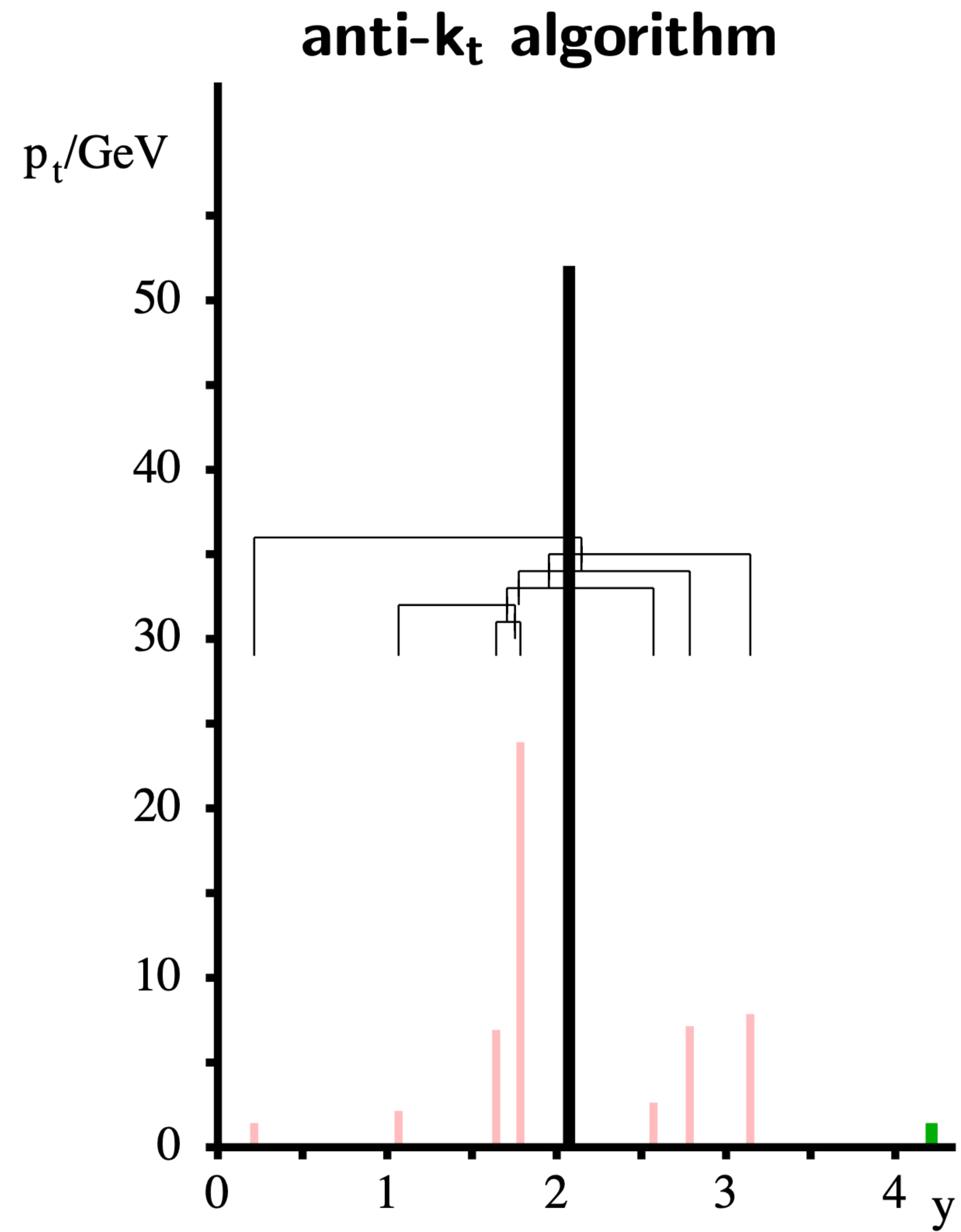
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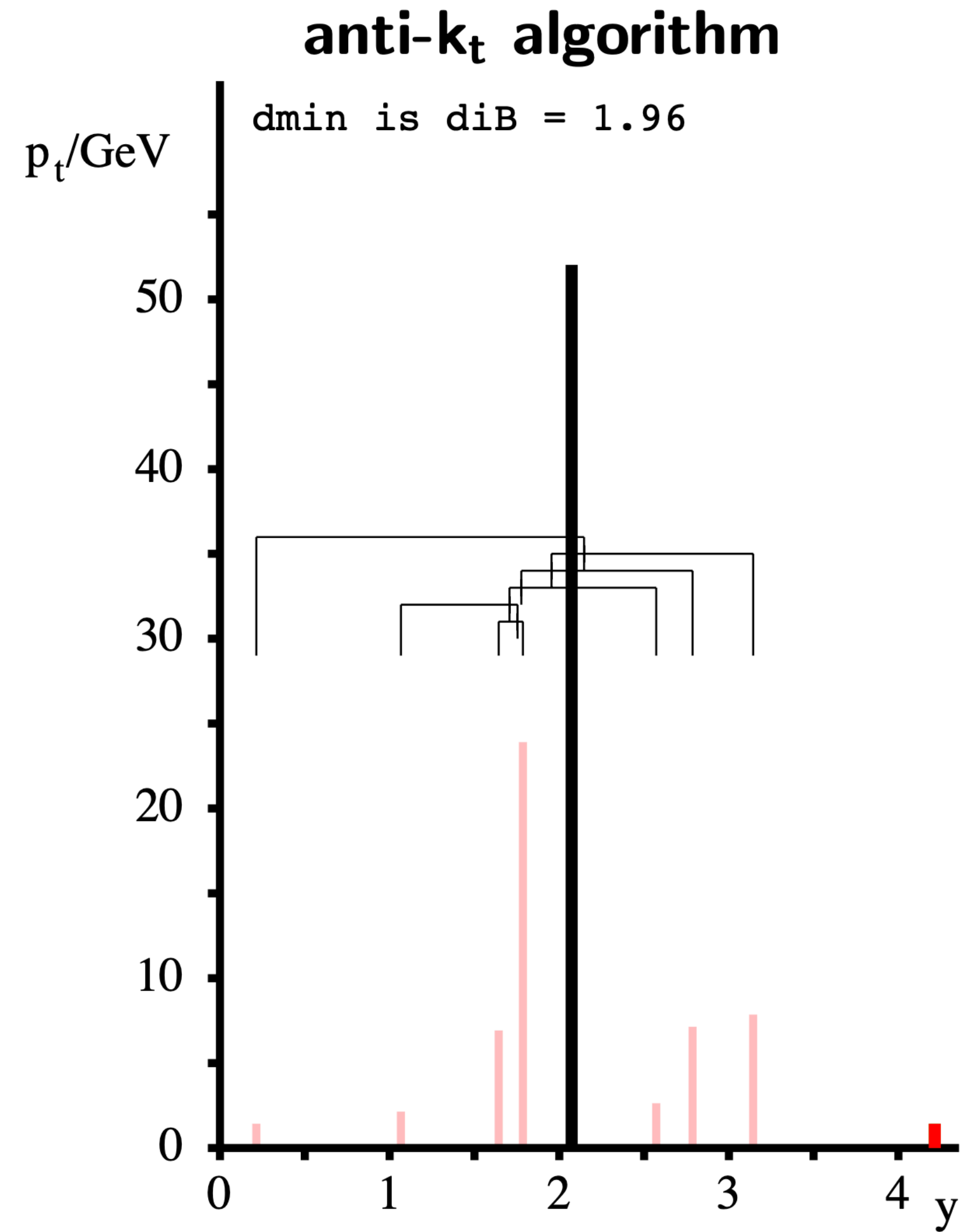
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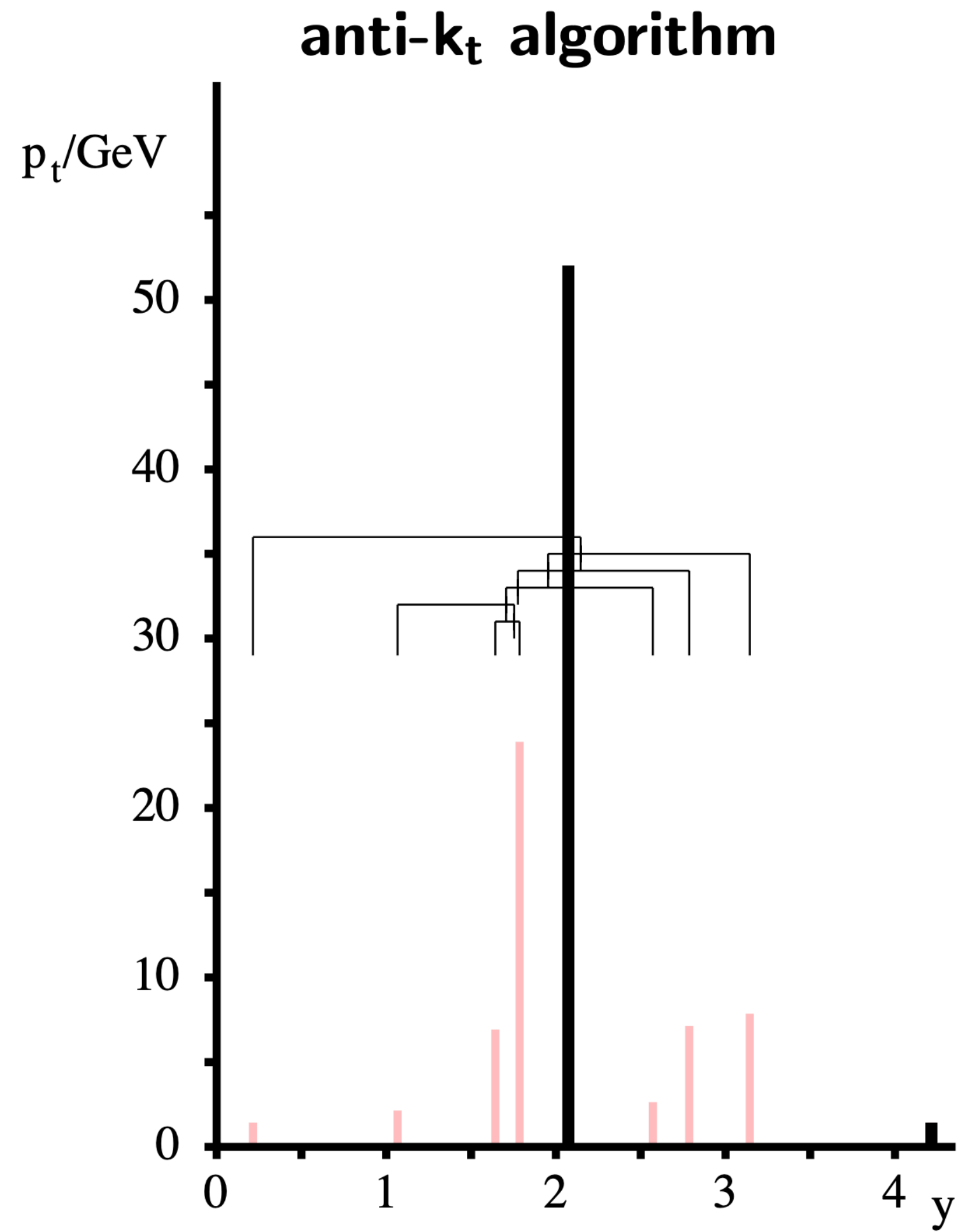


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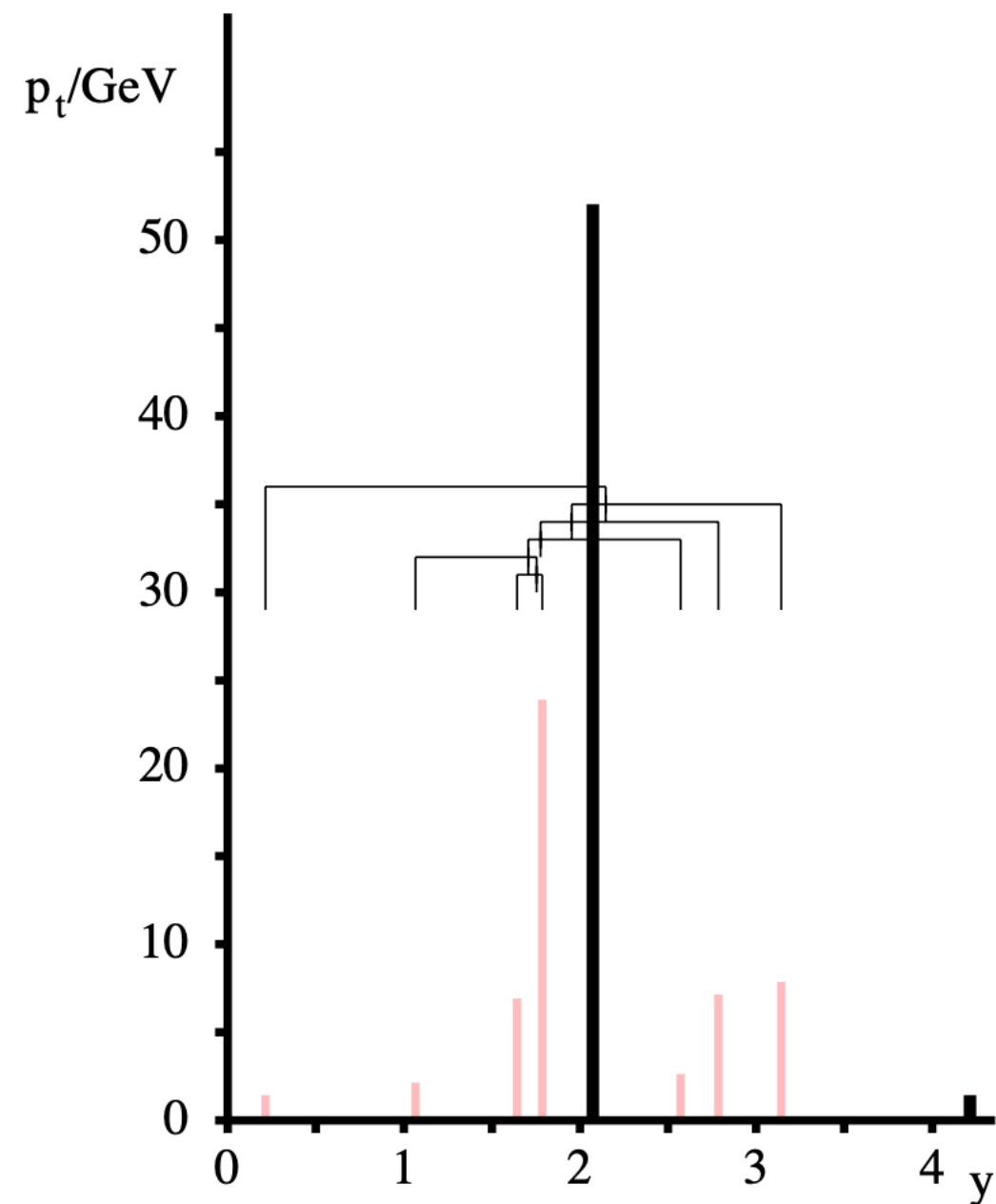


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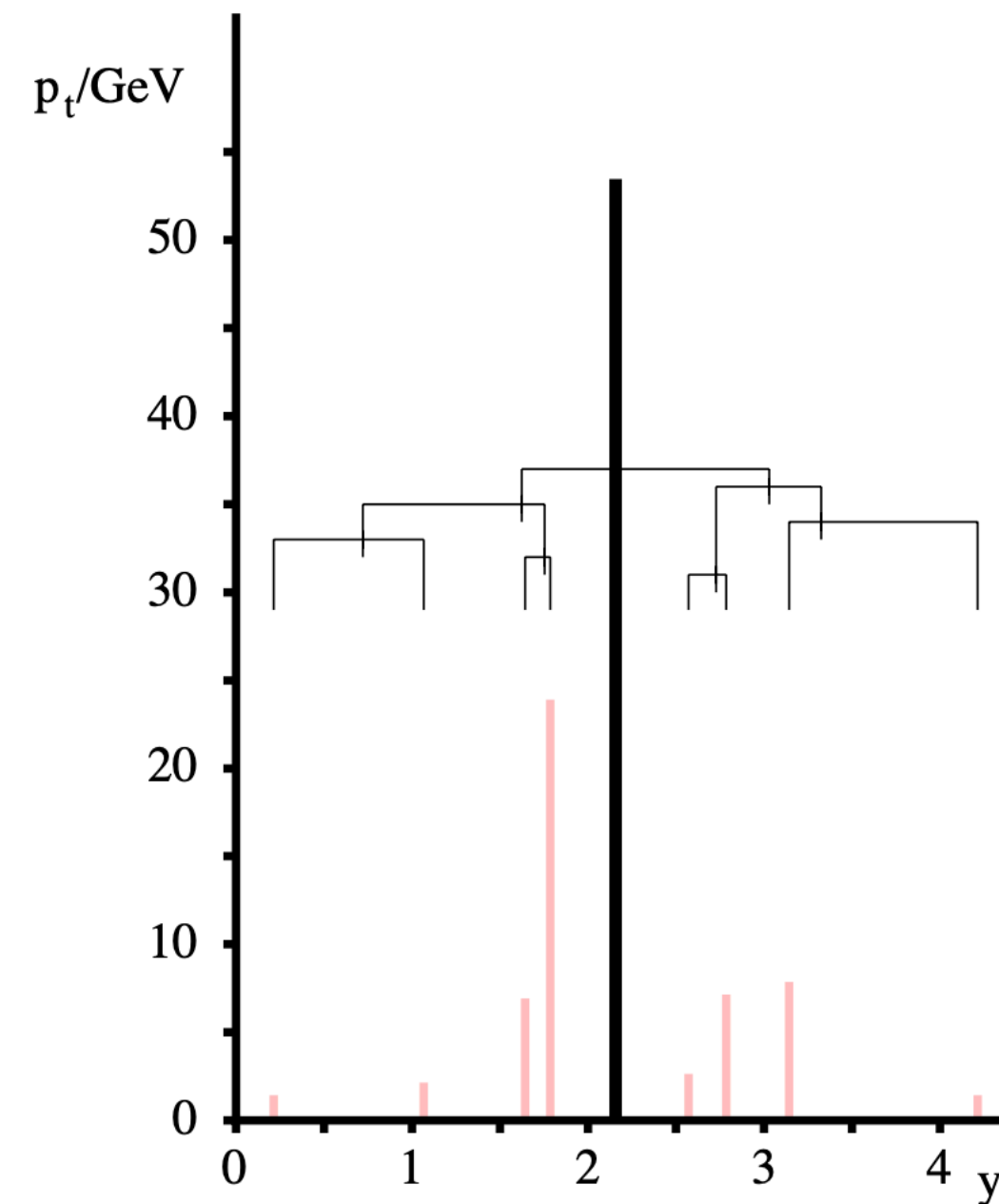


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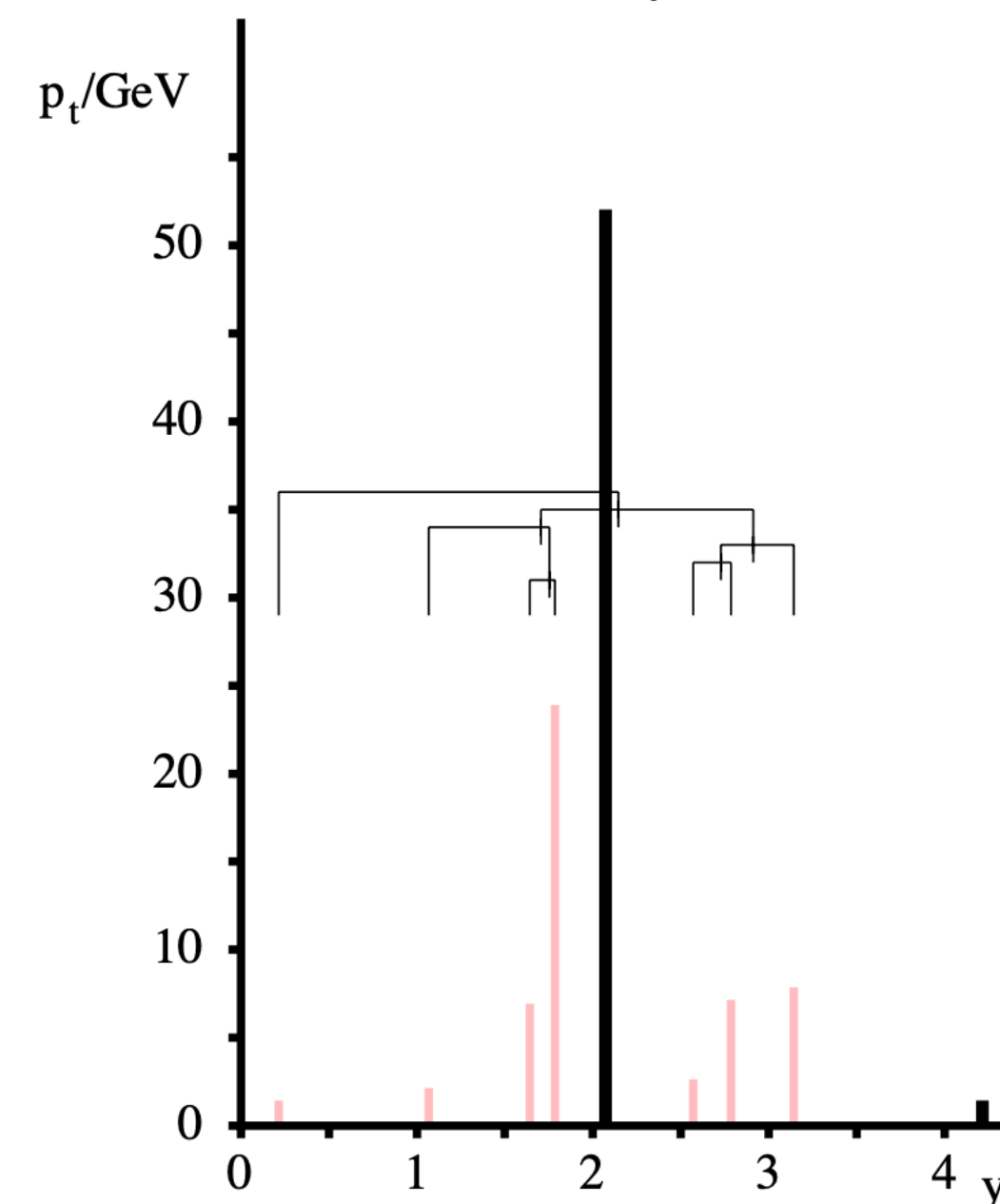
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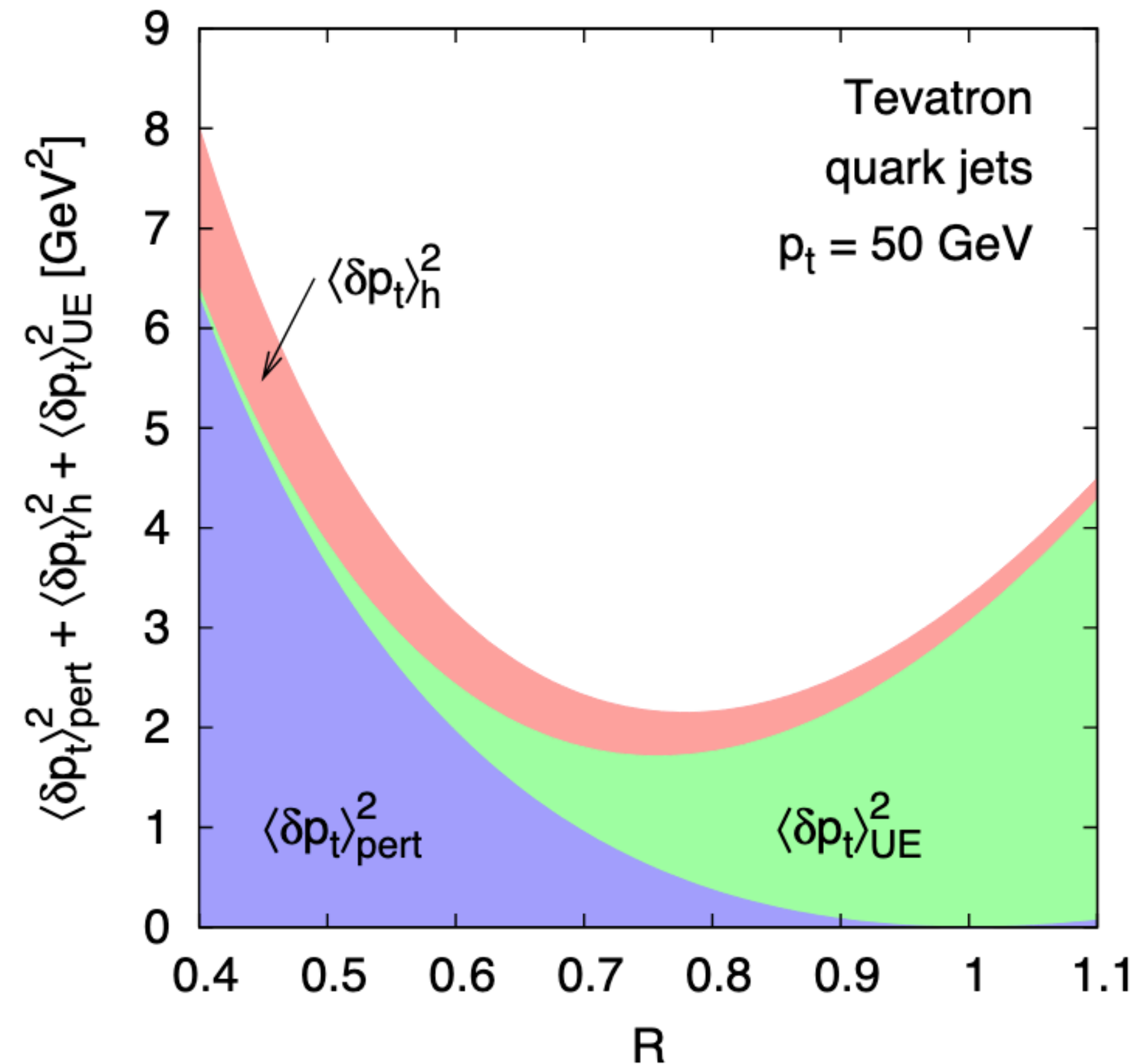
## Cambridge/Aachen



$k_T$  clusters soft particles first  
anti- $k_T$ , most of the combinations involve one hard particle

**Differences in the cluster sequence are crucial for jet substructure or resilience against non-perturbative effects like pileup/UE**

# How good a parton $p_T$ proxy the jet $p_T$ is for given $R$ ?



	Dependence of jet $\langle \delta p_T \rangle$ on			
	'partonic' $p_t$	colour factor	$R$	$\sqrt{s}$
perturbative radiation	$\sim \alpha_s(p_t) p_t$	$C_i$	$\ln R + \mathcal{O}(1)$	—
hadronization	—	$C_i$	$-1/R + \mathcal{O}(R)$	—
underlying event	—	—	$R^2 + \mathcal{O}(R^4)$	$s^\omega$

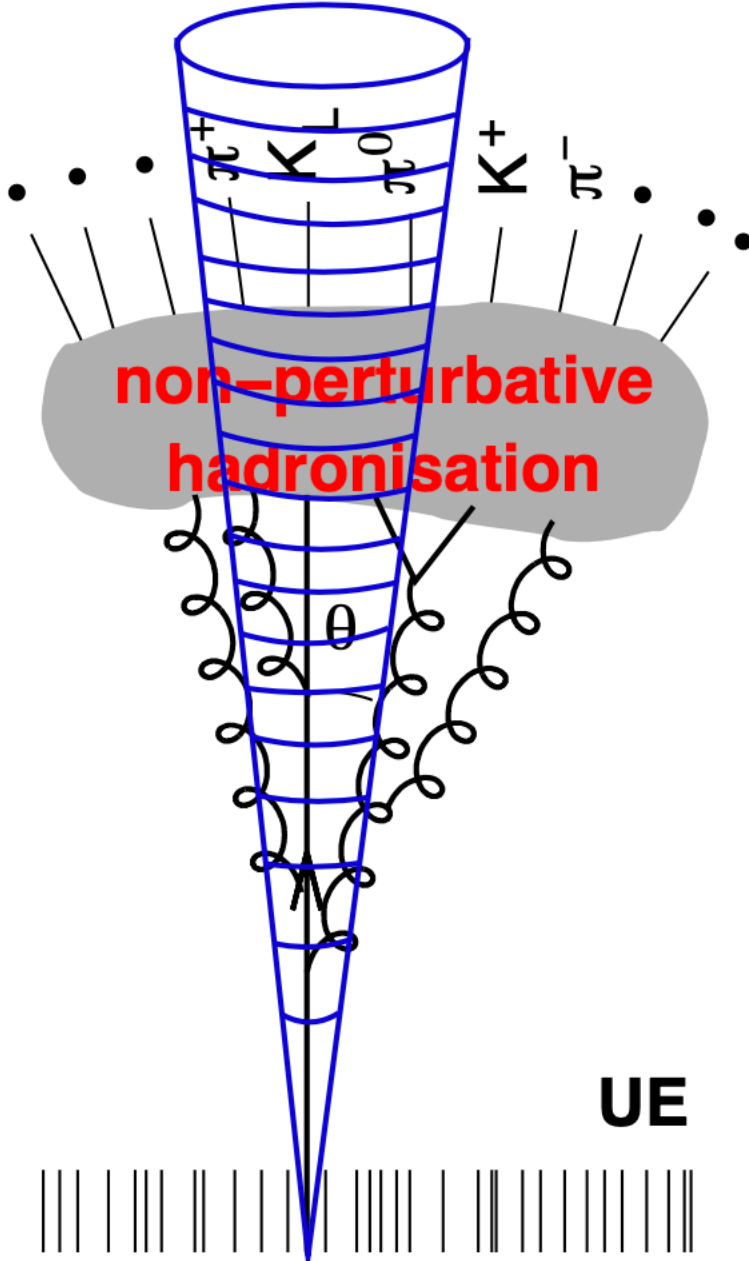
$$\delta p_T = p_{T,jet} - p_{T,parton}$$

The UE adds soft particles to the jet that are uncorrelated to the hard scattering  
 The large UE in heavy ion collisions is the main limiting factor for large- $R$  jets  
 as we will see

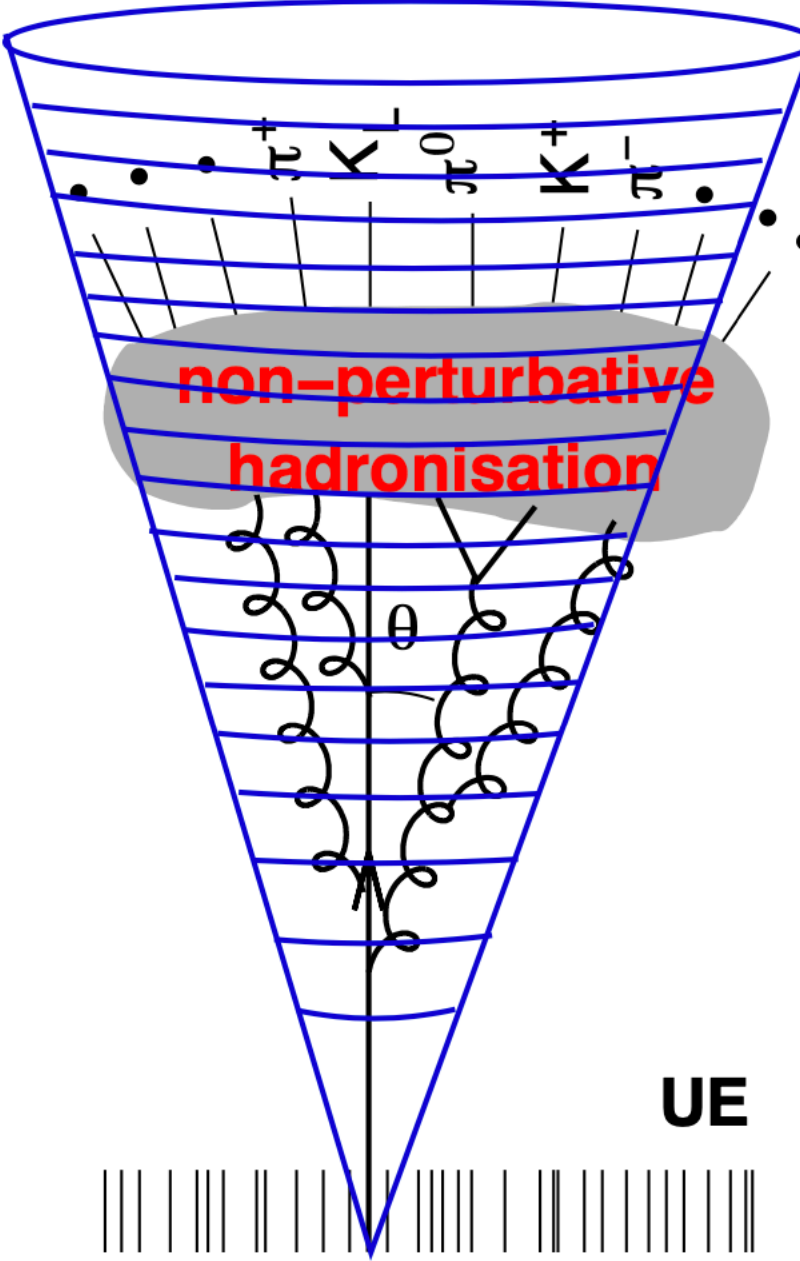
Hadronization causes splash out energy outside the jet area

# Hadronisation

### Small jet radius

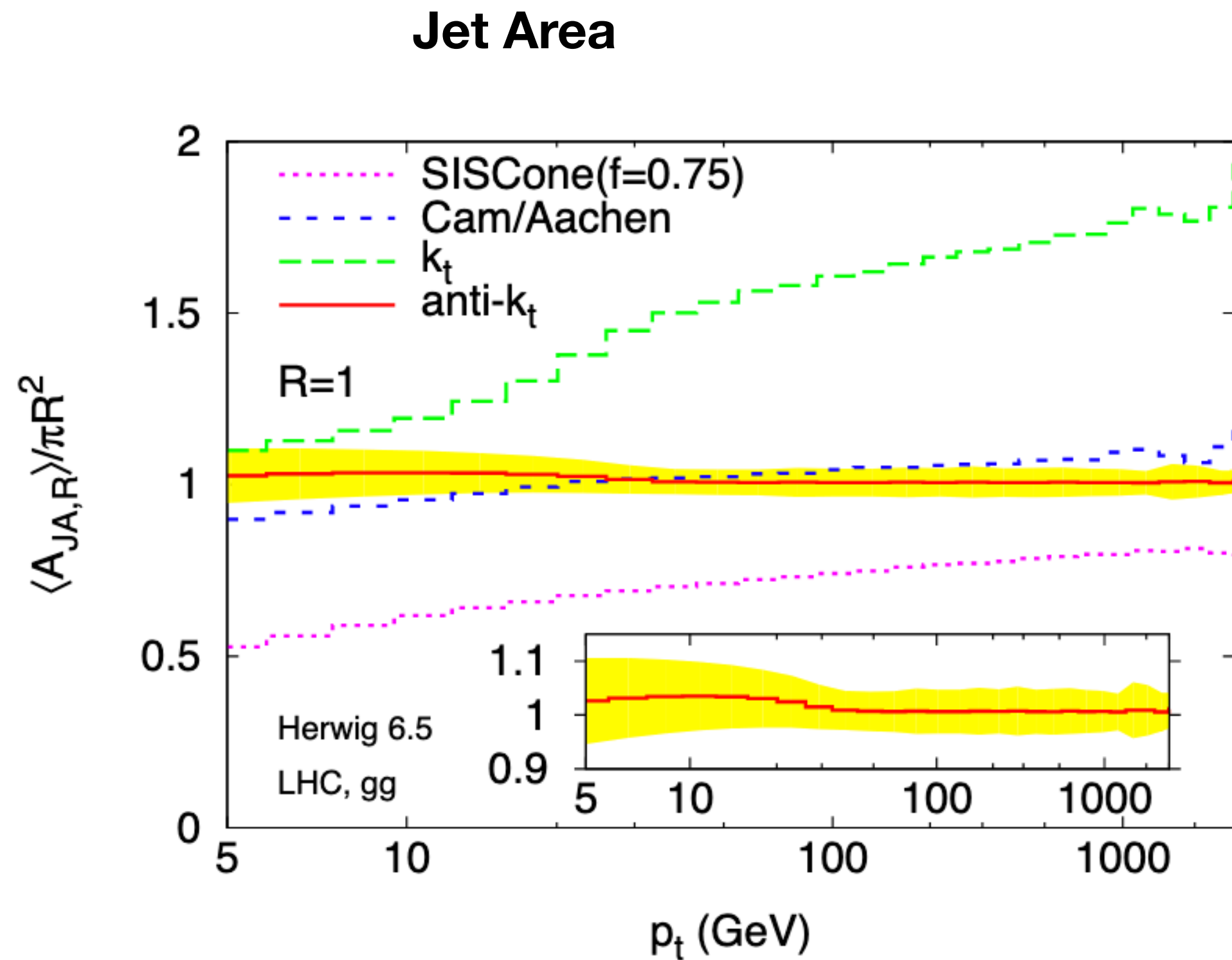


### Large jet radius

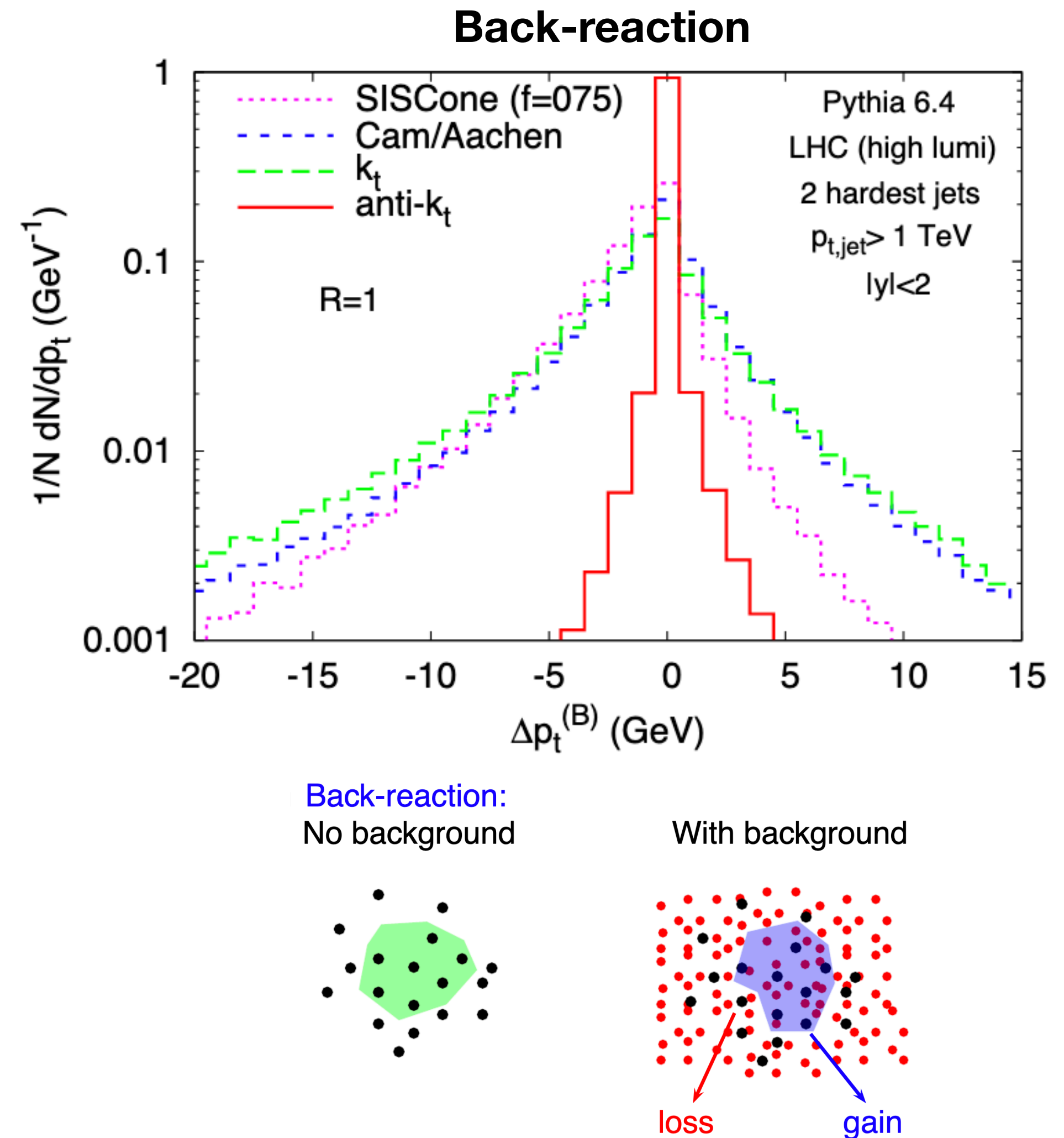


The larger the jet  $R$ , the smaller the loss of particles due to hadronisation (splash-out) and the stronger the contamination from the UE

# Algorithm response to soft background

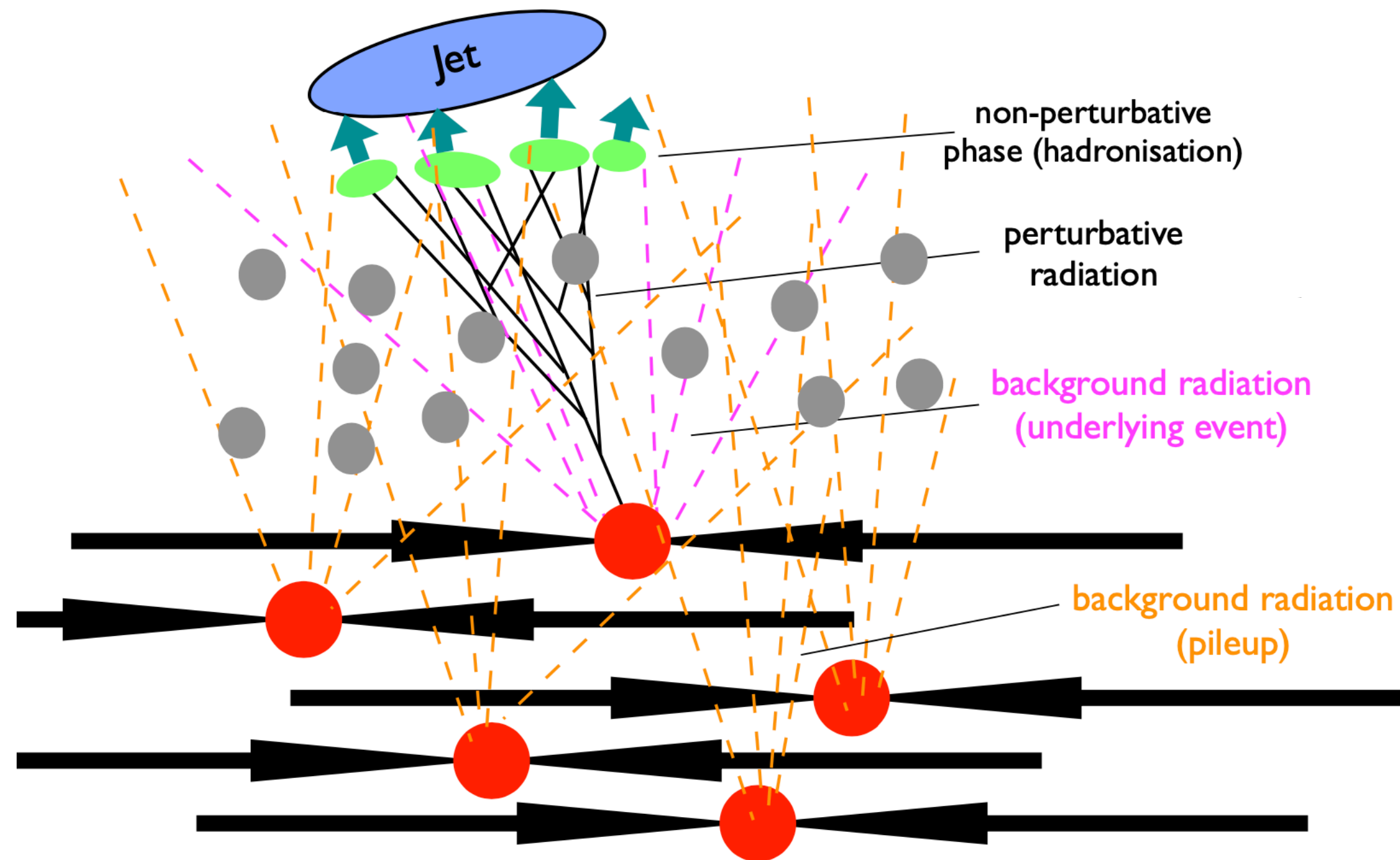


Cacciari, Salam, Soyez *JHEP* 04 (2008) 063



The jet area is a measurement of the susceptibility for bkg contamination: region where the jet catches soft particles  
 Jet areas are calculated using ghosts, infinitely soft particles of fixed size that do not disrupt the jet clustering  
 anti- $k_T$  jets have smaller, cone-like areas and are much more resilient against bkg contamination -> **anti- $k_T$  is default algo at the LHC**

# Pileup



Consider:  $\langle N_{pu} \rangle \sim 20$  during Run1  
 $\langle N_{pu} \rangle \sim 30$  in Run2  
 $\langle N_{pu} \rangle > 140$  in Run3 and beyond

The LHC does not collide individual protons, it collides bunches of them.

During one bunch crossing, several protons scatter off each other resulting in additional hadronic activity, called pileup

Lumi  $\sim 2 \cdot 10^{34}$  /cm<sup>2</sup>s , and bunch spacing of 25ns  
Lumi per bunch crossing =  $5 \cdot 10^{26}$ /cm<sup>2</sup> = 0.5/mb  
For  $\sigma_{pp} = 100$ mb,  $\langle N_{pu} \rangle \sim 50$

The amount of momentum from pileup that contaminates the measured jet  $p_T \propto$  jet area. Modification not only of jets but also other objects, for instance isolated leptons.

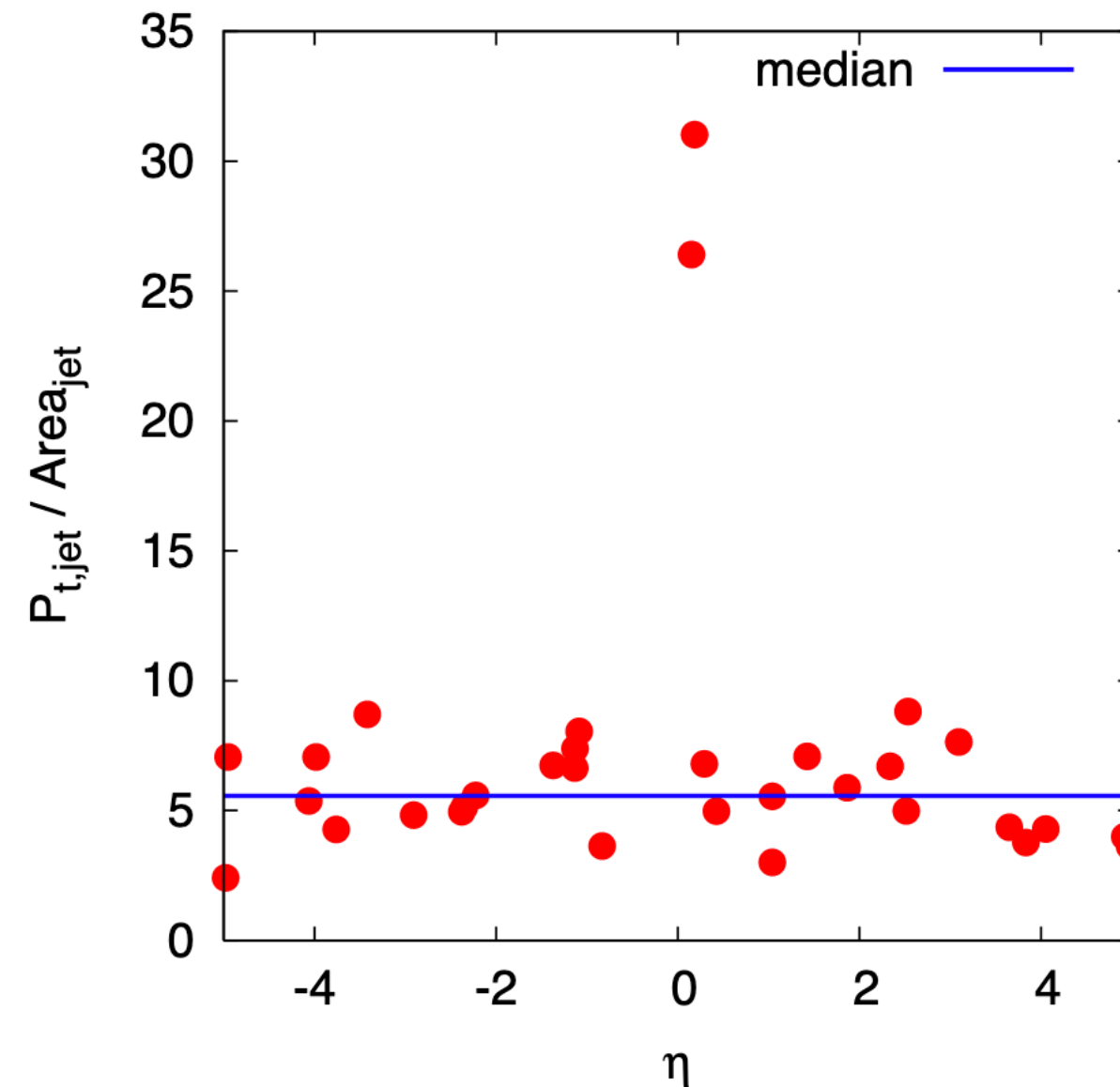
# Pileup subtraction methods: area-based method

$$p_{t,\text{jet}}^{(\text{sub})} = p_{t,\text{jet}} - \rho_{\text{bkg}} A_{\text{jet}}$$

Cacciari, Salam '97

Estimate  $\rho_{\text{bkg}}$  using

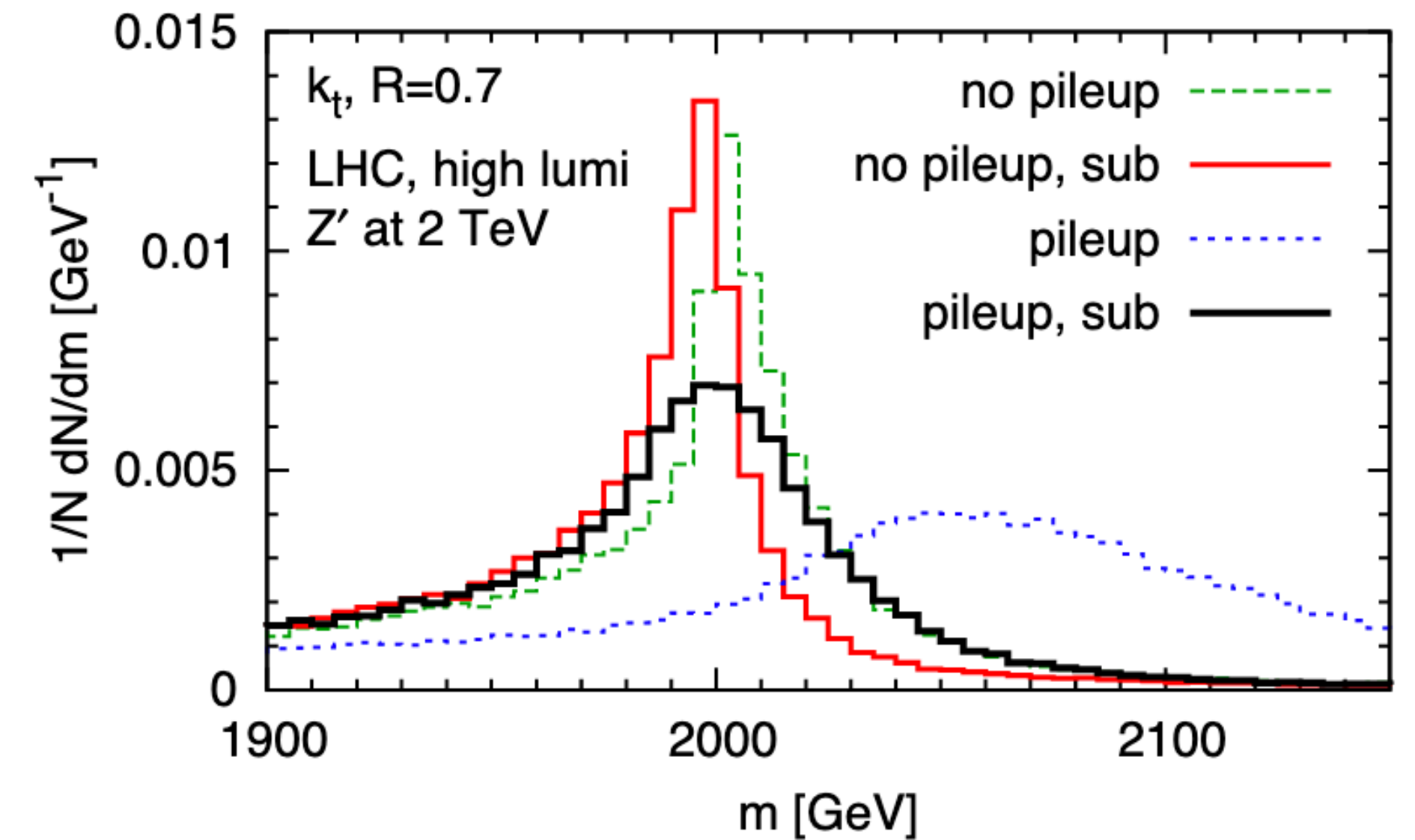
$$\rho_{\text{bkg}} = \text{median}_{j \in \text{jets}} \left\{ \frac{p_{t,j}}{A_j} \right\}$$



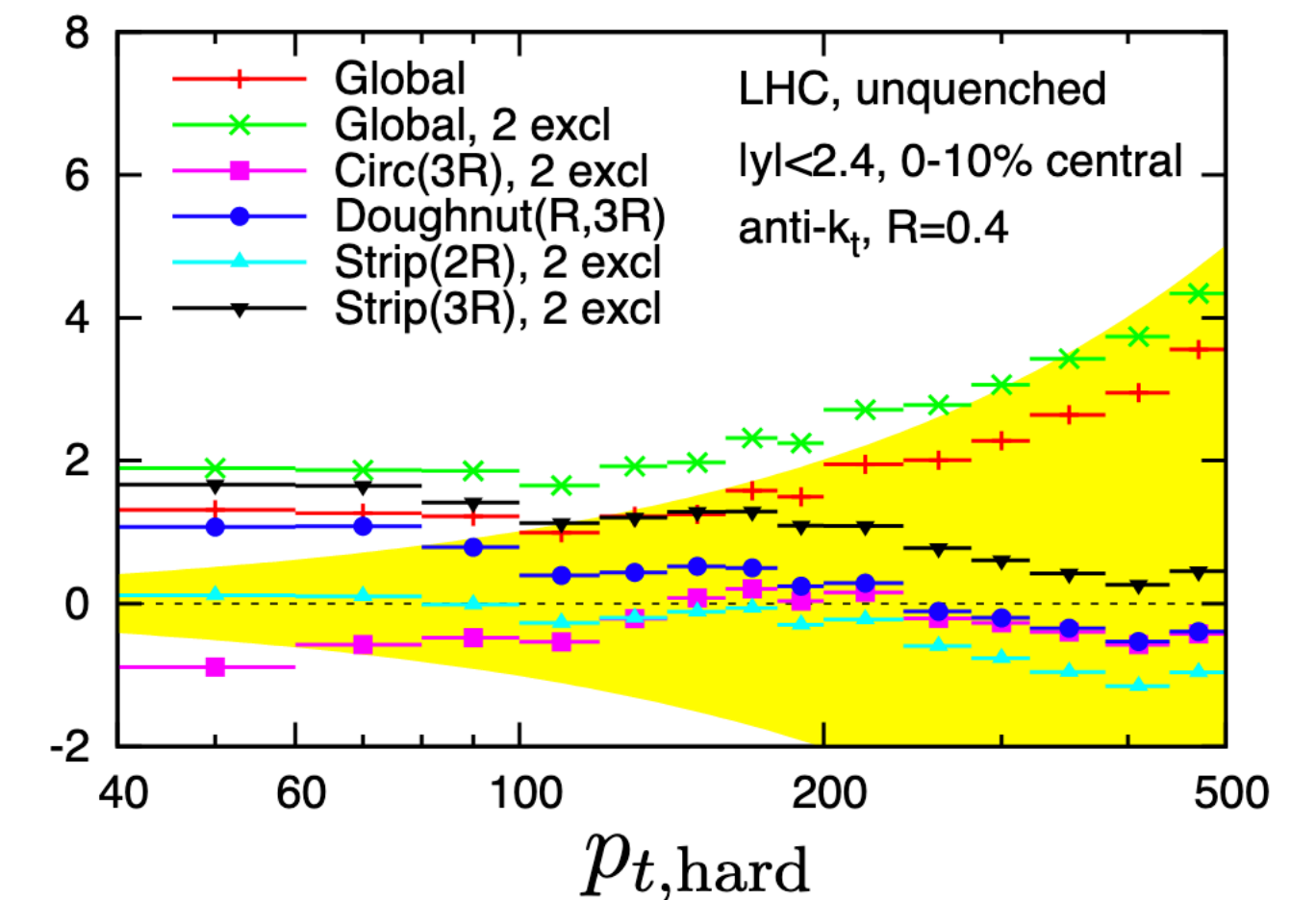
Typically  $k_T$  is used to estimate  $\rho_{\text{bkg}}$ , other algos produce unwanted small  $p_T$  jets at the borders of the phase space

Soyez et al, Phys.Rev.Lett. 110 (2013) 16, 162001

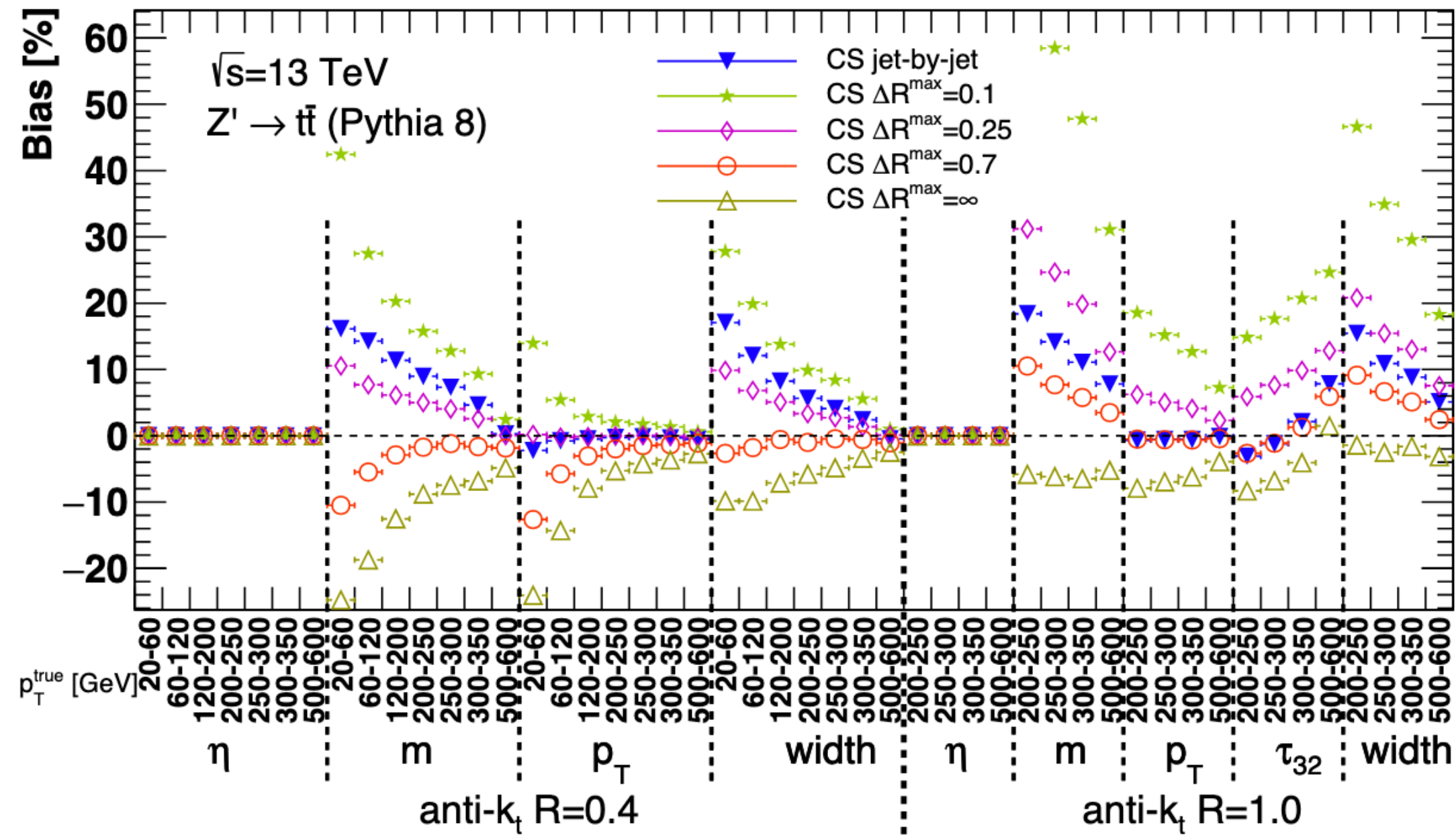
## Jet mass



## $\langle \Delta p_t \rangle$ Subtraction bias



# Pileup subtraction methods: constituent subtraction



- Evaluate distances between each particle-ghost pair.
  - Distance between particle  $i$  and ghost  $k$ :

$$\Delta R_{i,k} = p_{T_i}^\alpha \cdot \sqrt{(y_i - y_k^g)^2 + (\phi_i - \phi_k^g)^2}$$

- Combine each ghost-particle pair starting from lowest  $\Delta R_{i,k}$ :

$$\text{If } p_{T_i} \geq p_{T_k}^g : \quad \begin{array}{l} p_{T_i} \rightarrow p_{T_i} - p_{T_k}^g \\ p_{T_k}^g \rightarrow 0 \end{array} \quad \text{otherwise:} \quad \begin{array}{l} p_{T_i} \rightarrow 0 \\ p_{T_k}^g \rightarrow p_{T_k}^g - p_{T_i} \end{array}$$

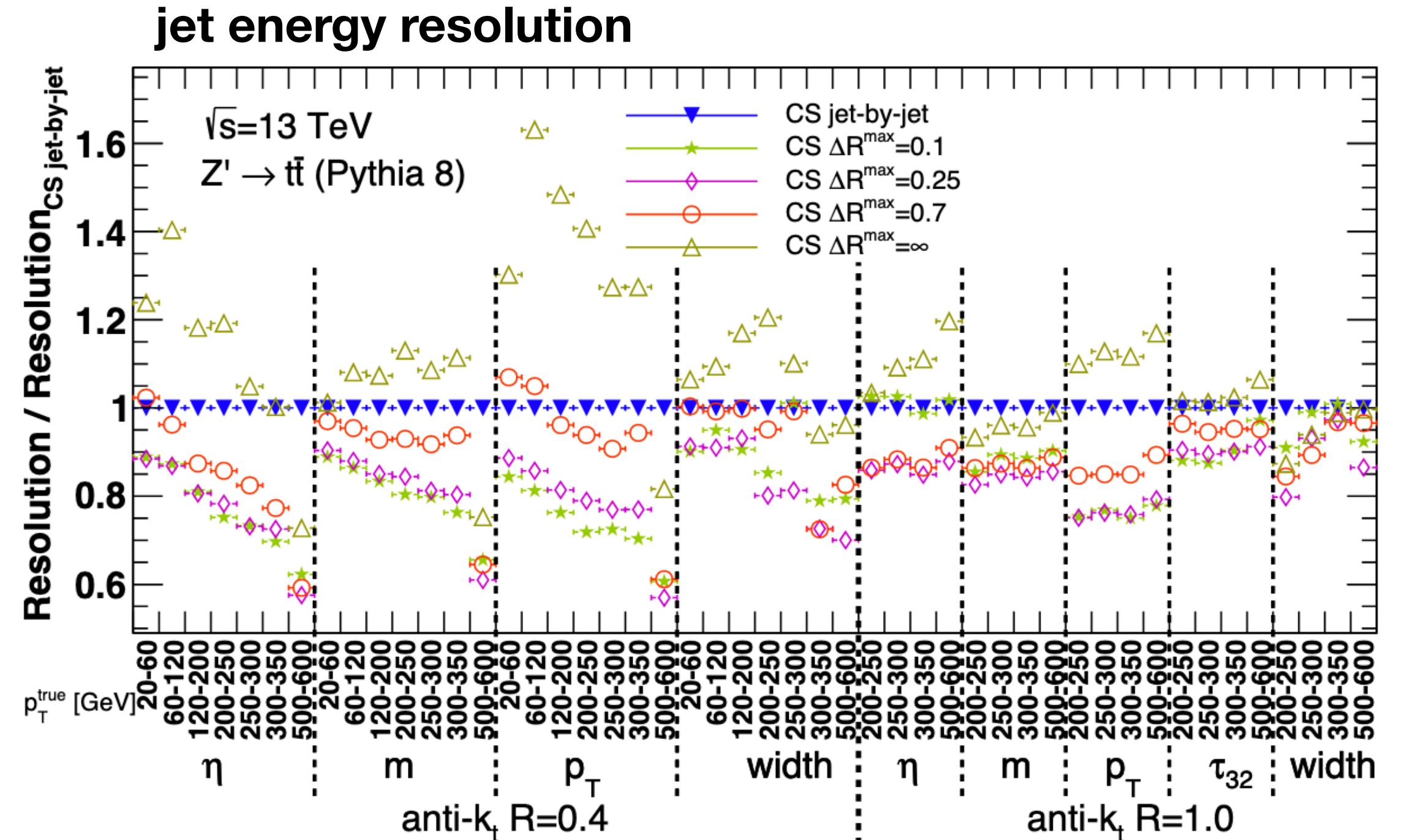
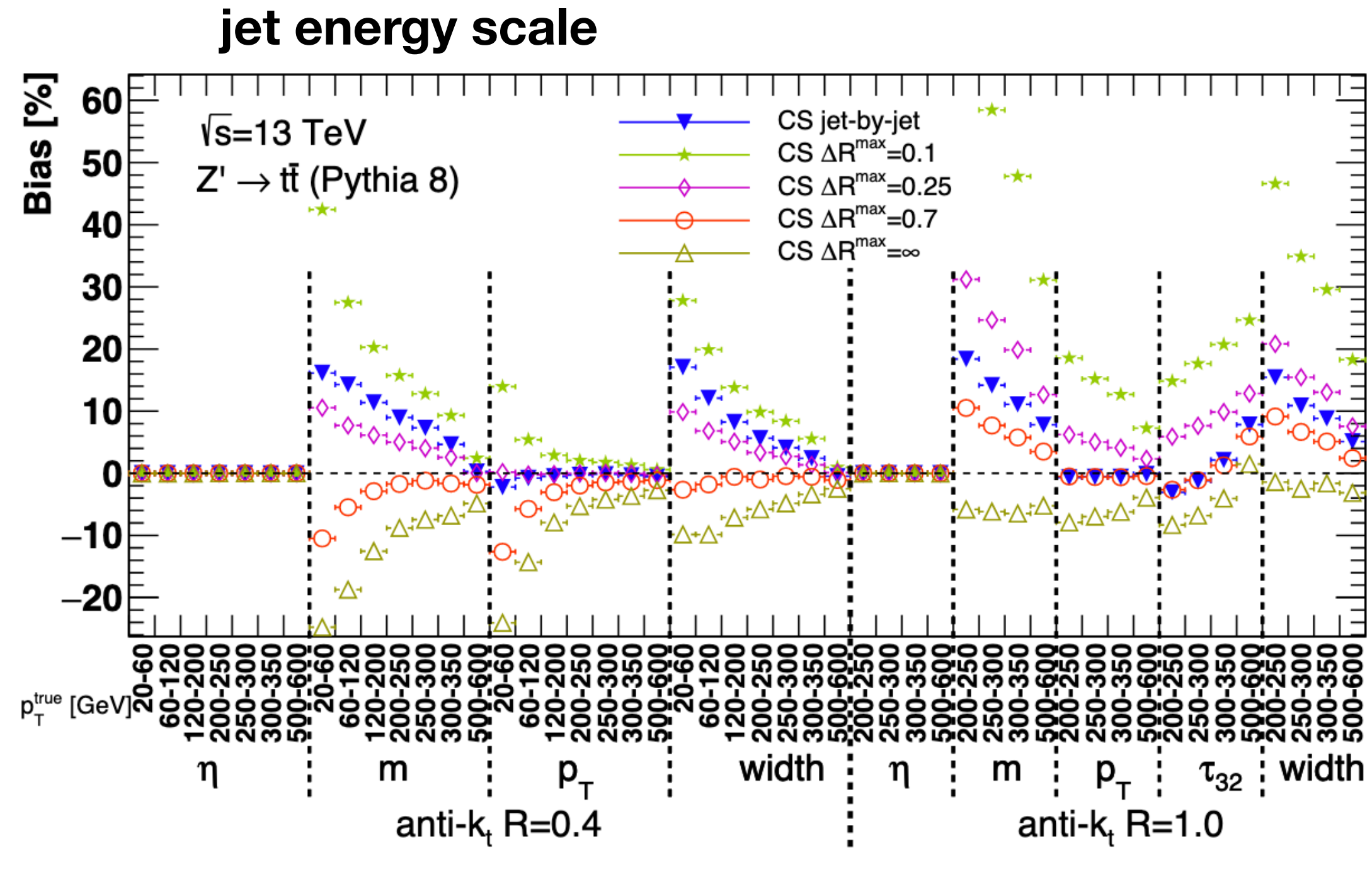
- Procedure stops for  $\Delta R_{i,k} > \Delta R^{\max}$

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# Pileup subtraction methods: constituent subtraction



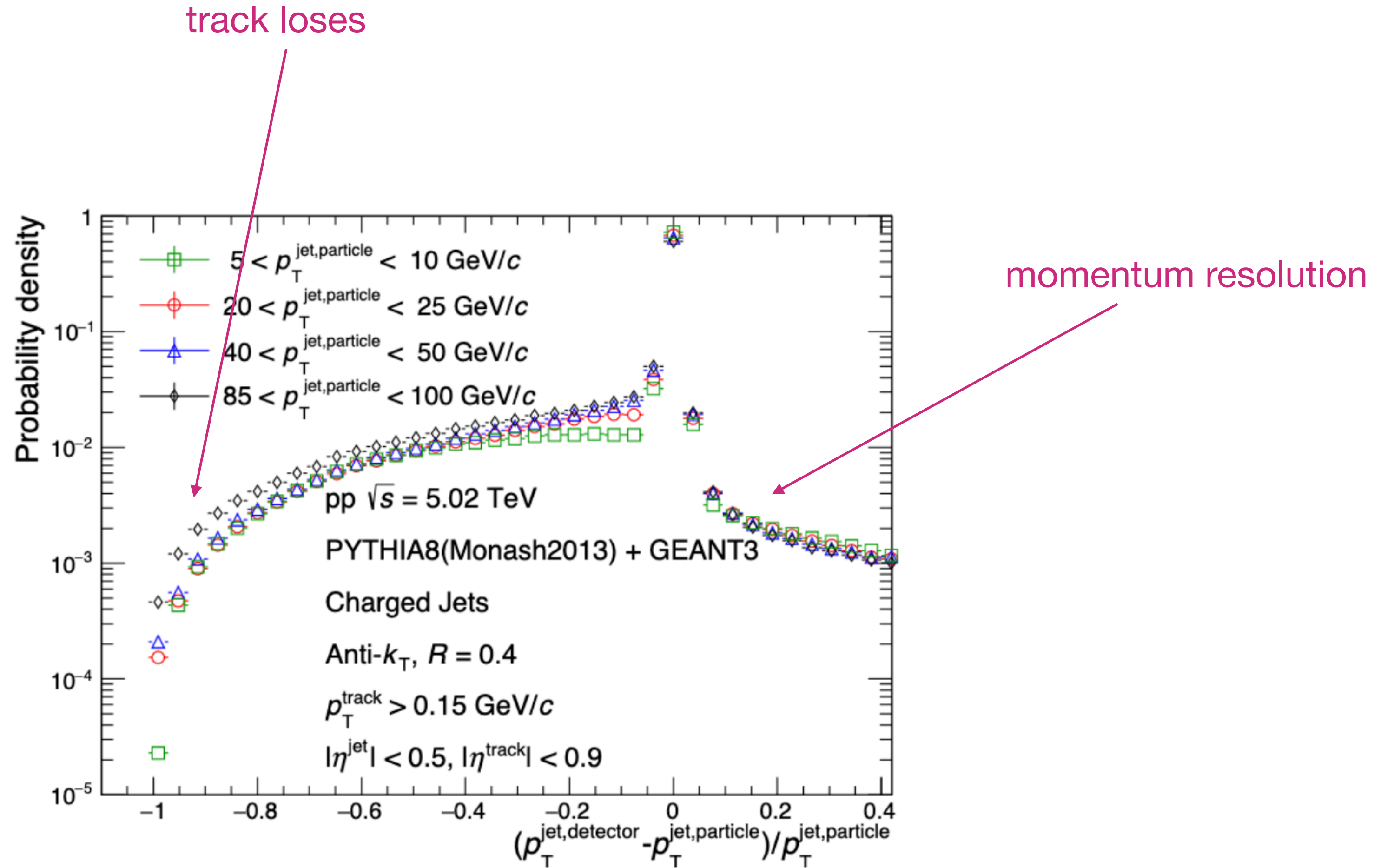
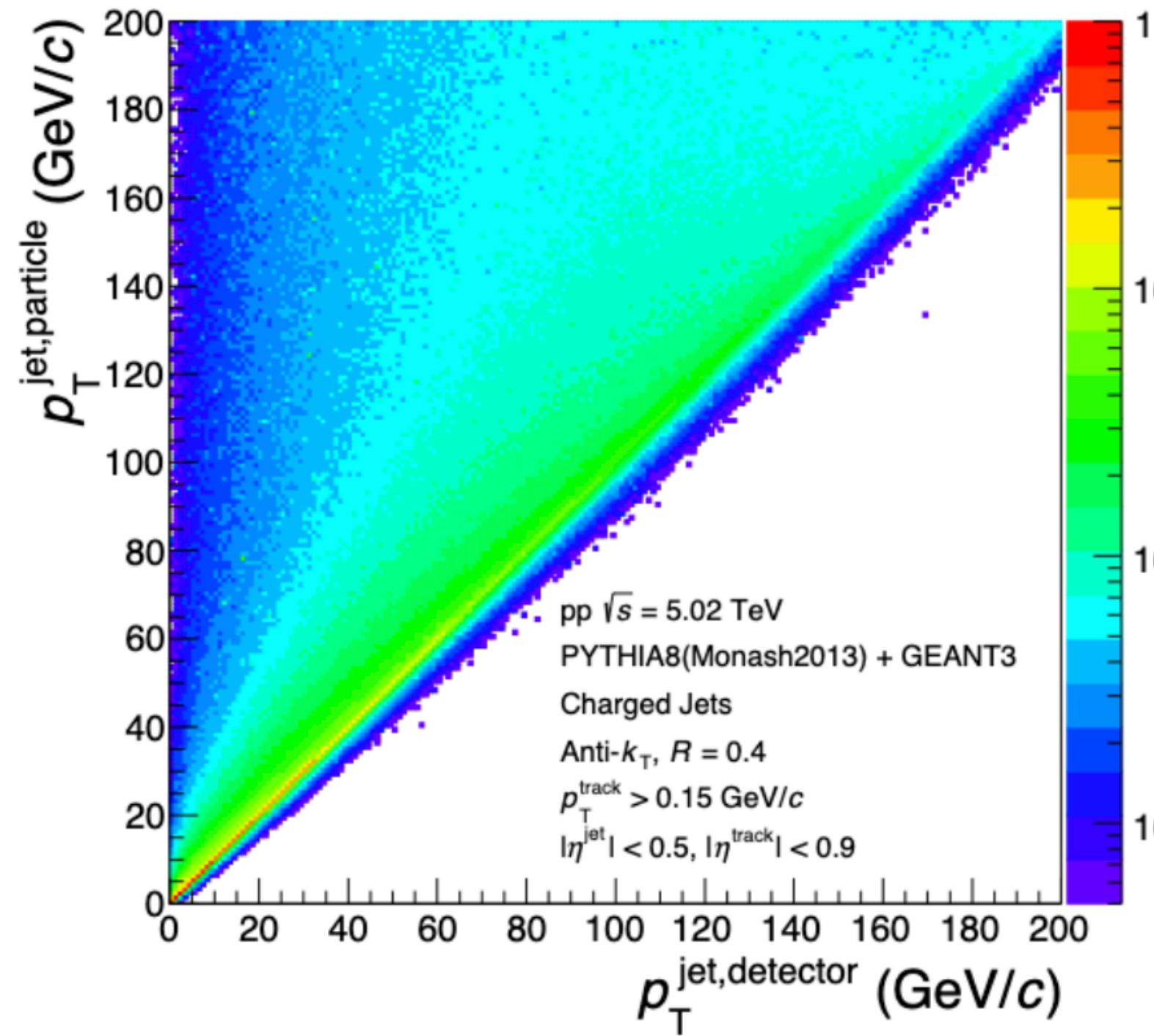
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Many different methods available: SoftKiller, Puppi, CHS, filtering/trimming/grooming

(see *G.Soyez, Phys.Rept. 803 (2019) 1-158* for a review)

# Detector effects



Pythia events propagated through Geant4 simulation of the ALICE tracking system  
 2 effects dominate jet pt modifications at detector level: tracking inefficiencies and momentum resolution

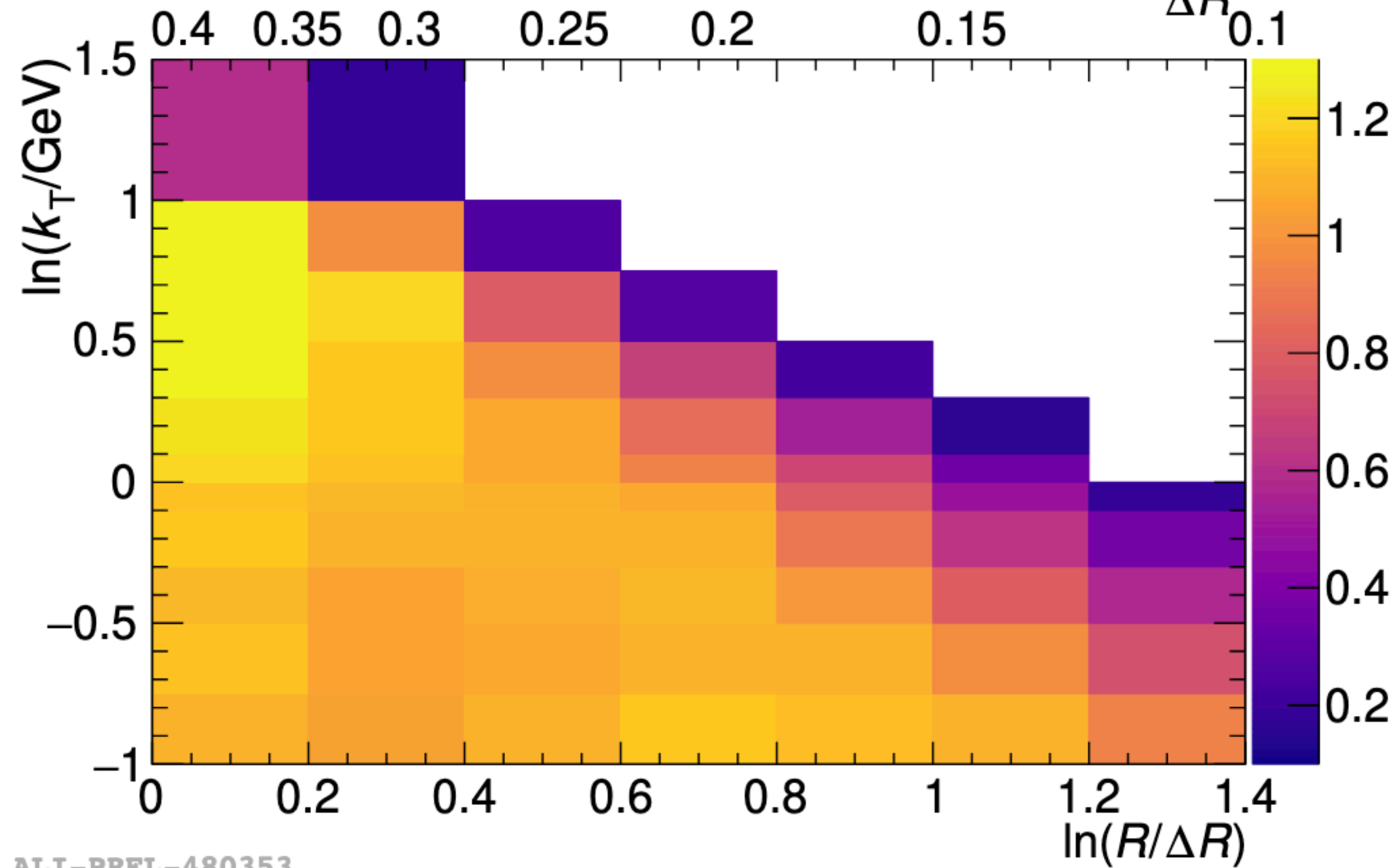
Detector effects are typically corrected for via unfolding

# Detector effects

## Lund plane density

ALICE Preliminary  
pp  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV

Charged-particle jets anti- $k_T$   $R = 0.4$   
 $|\eta_{\text{jet}}| < 0.5, 20 < p_{T,\text{jet}}^{\text{ch}} < 120$  GeV/c  
 $\Delta R$



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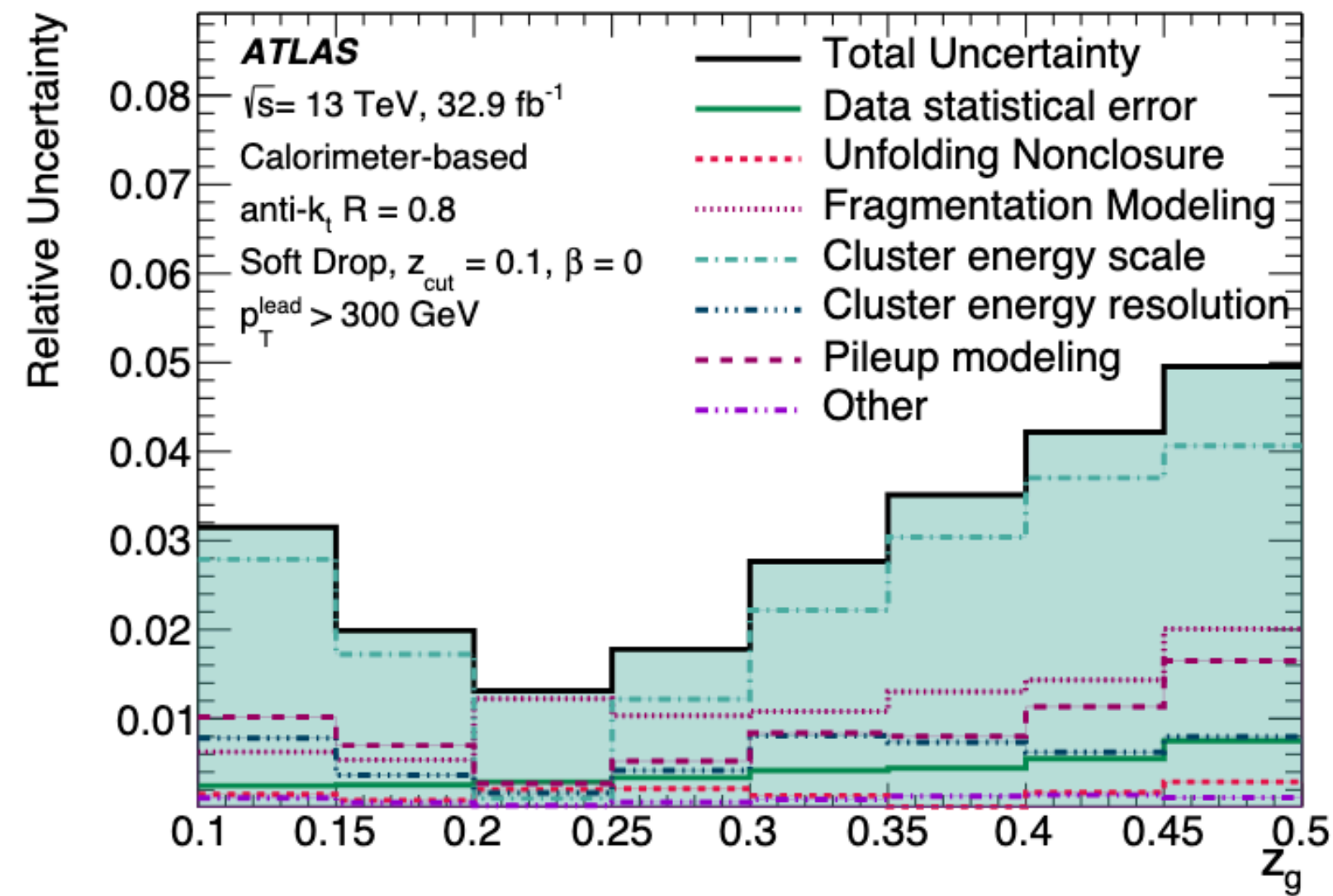
We'll discuss extensively the Lund plane in the next lessons

For the moment, consider the Lund plane to be a "picture" of the internal radiation pattern of the jet

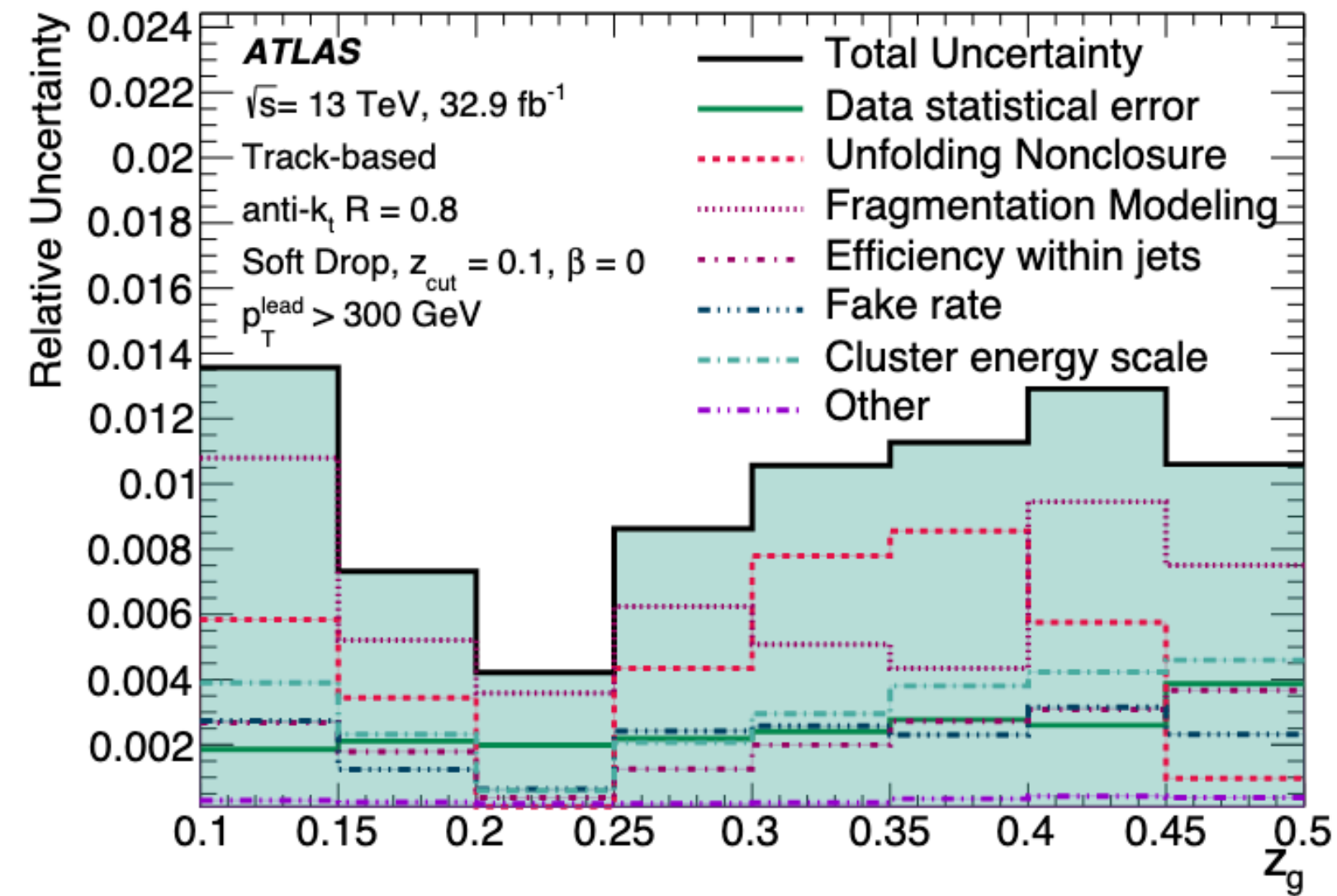
The plot on the left shows the ratio of the Lund plane at particle and detector level, showing significant impact of tracking effects

The correction procedure introduces systematic uncertainties like regularization, model dependence etc

# An example of a jet measurement and its experimental uncertainties



(c)  $z_g, \beta = 0$ , calorimeter-based



(d)  $z_g, \beta = 0$ , track-based

Fragmentation modeling is in general a dominant component of the uncertainty in jet substructure measurements  
 Uncertainties on the reconstruction of calorimetric-cell clusters dominate, and are estimated by data/MC differences  
 in the track matching rate

**End of Lesson 1**