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# The Standard Model of particle physics... and beyond!

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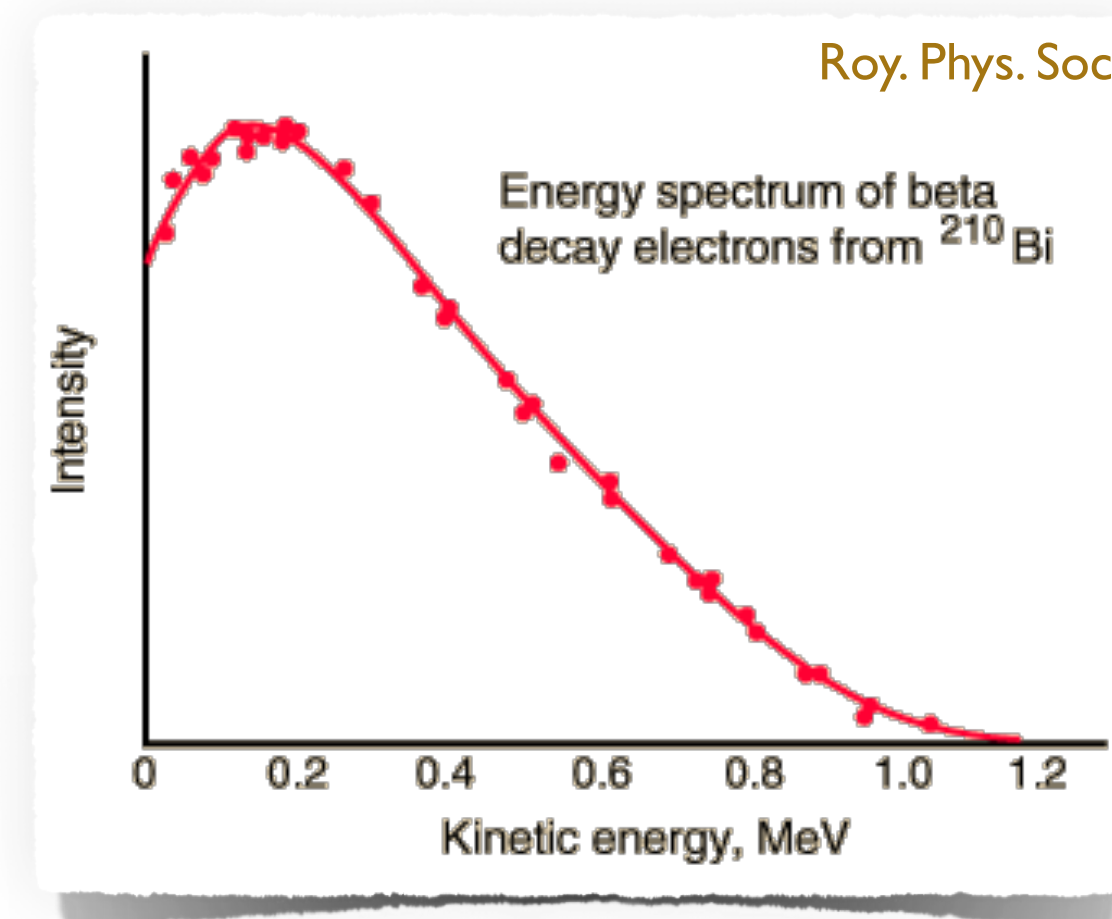
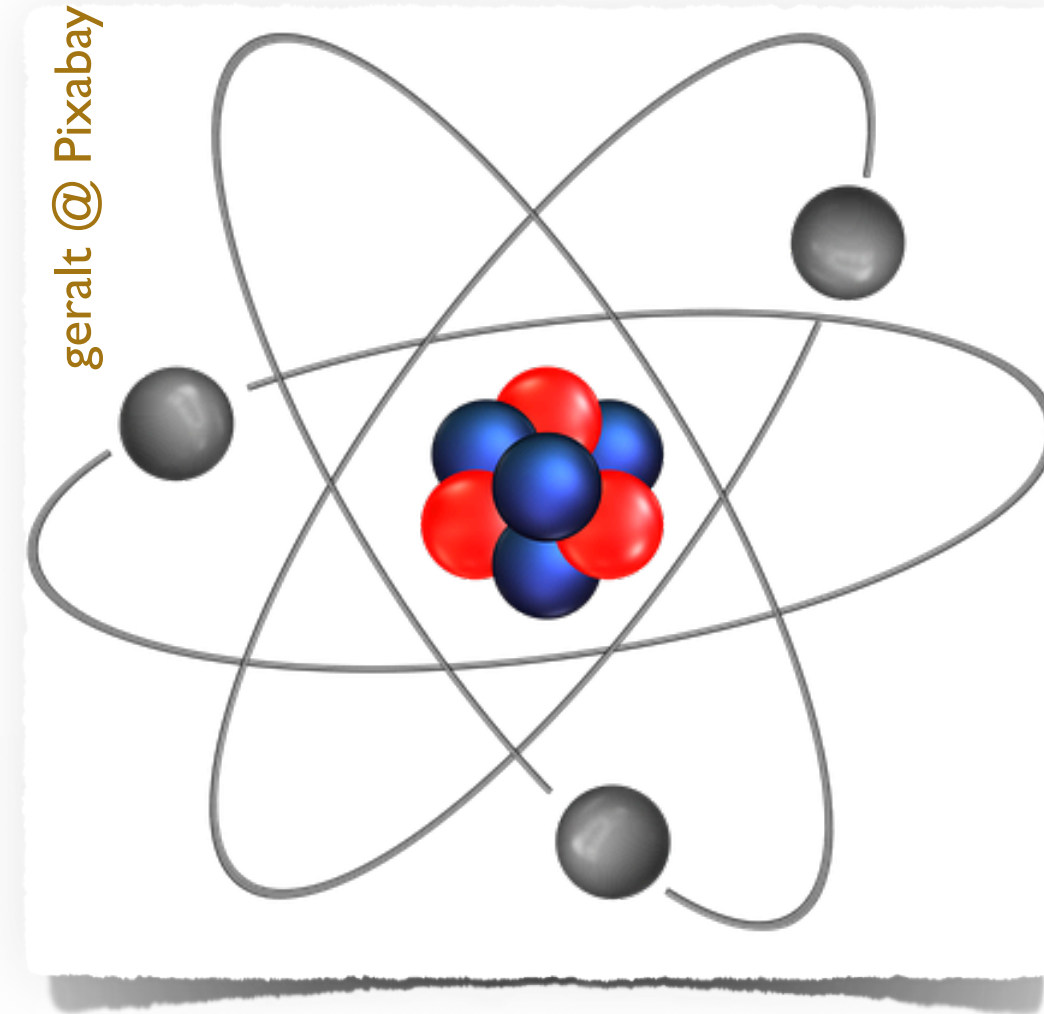
A brief history of  
100 years of particle physics



# A window to the infinitely small

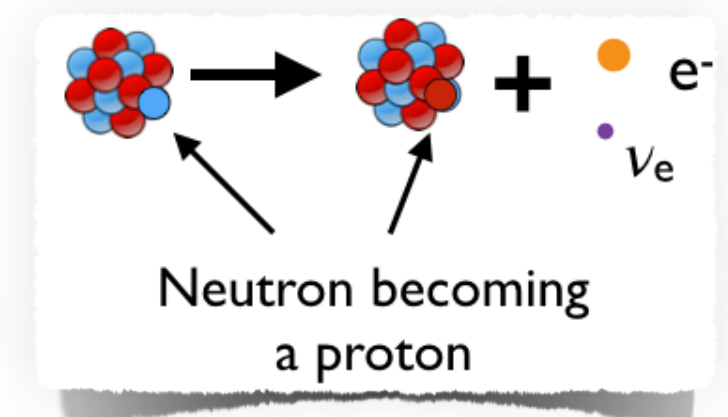
## Atom compositeness: 3 entities to explain matter (in the early 1900s)

- Rutherford's model (1911)
  - ★ Protons
  - ★ Neutrons (Chadwick, 1932)
  - ★ Electrons



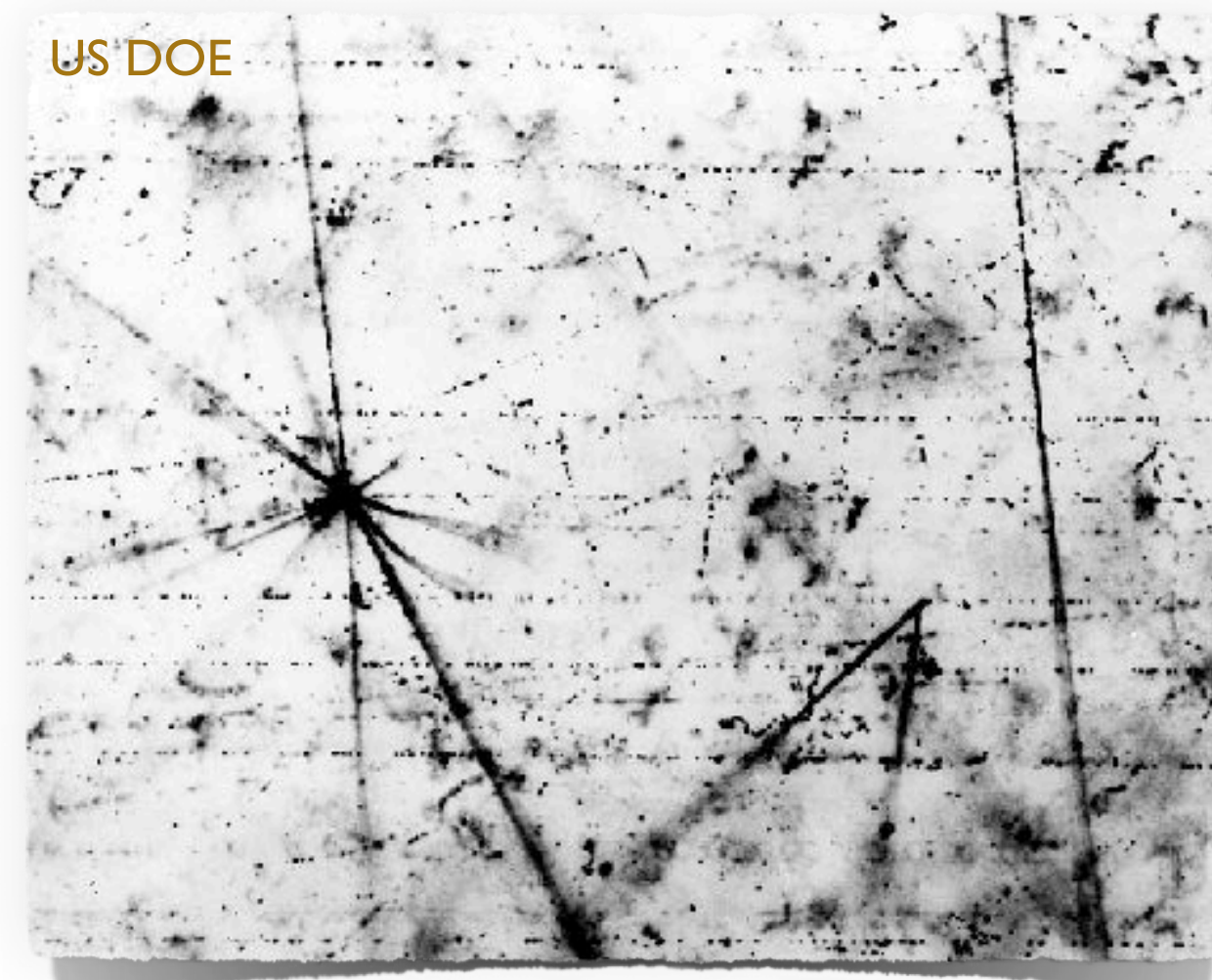
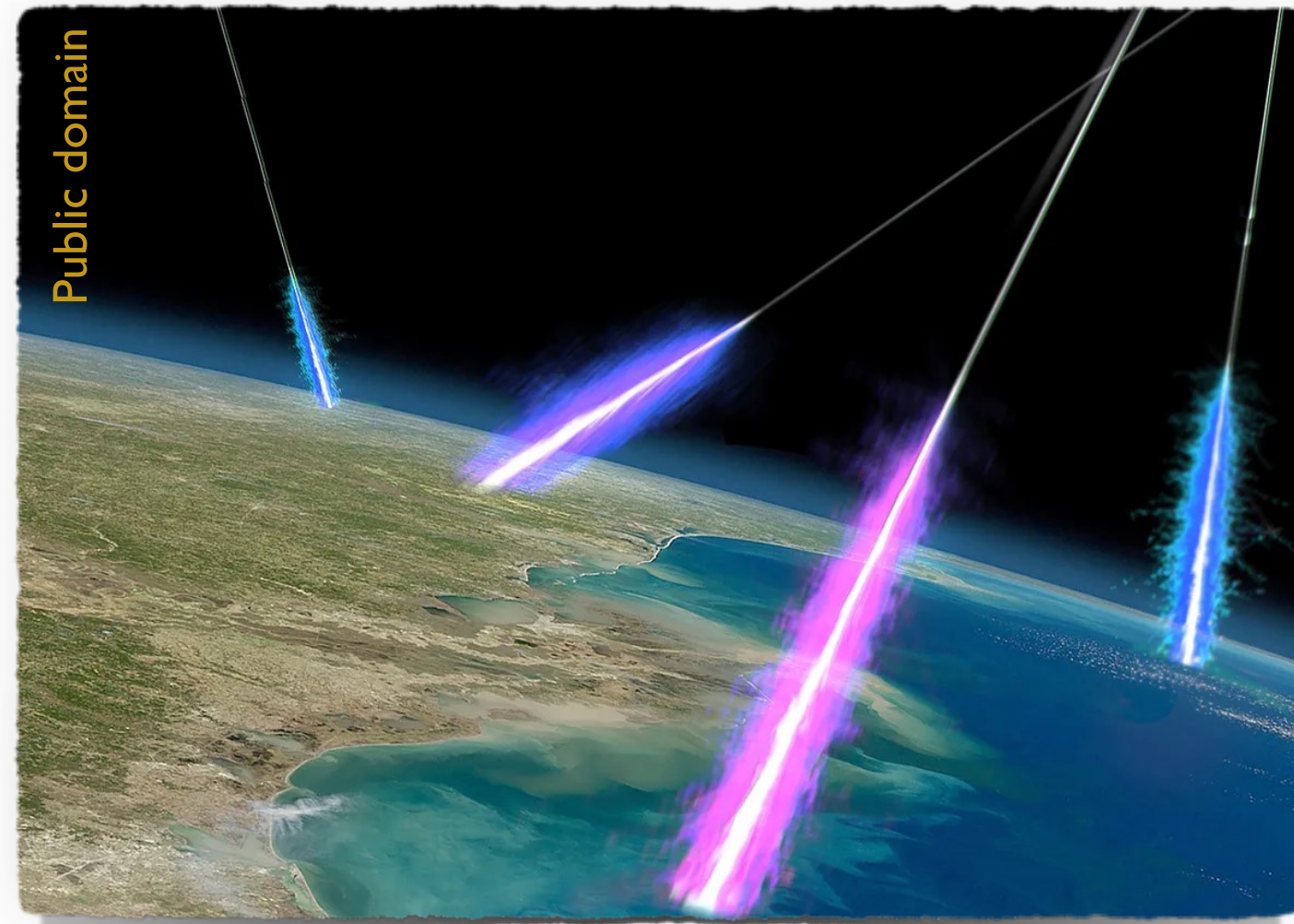
## First radioactivity studies

- Need for a **neutrino** (4<sup>th</sup> building bloc of matter )
- Missing energy in decay processes



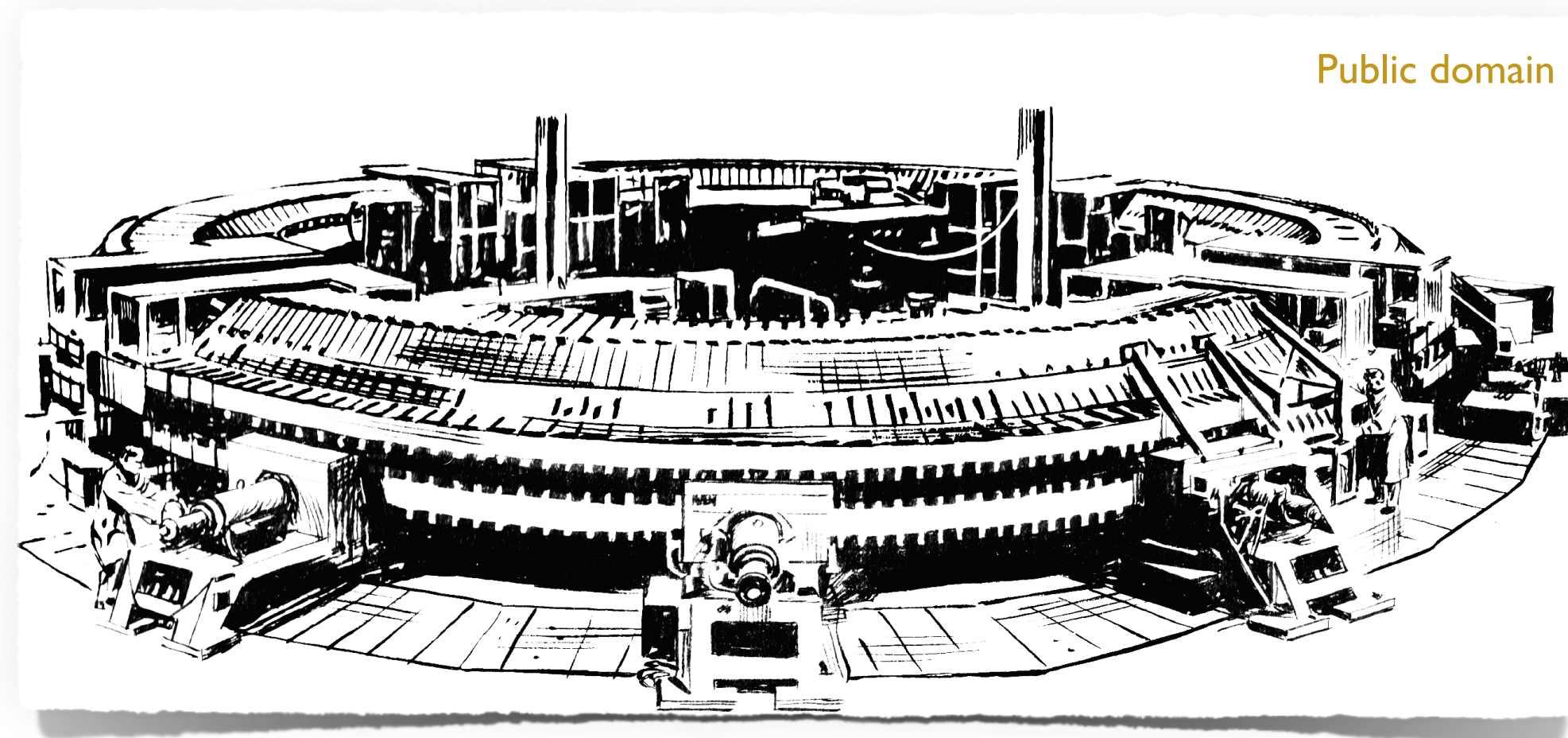


# Hadronic physics and the quark model



## Particle accelerators from the 50s/60s

- Cosmic rays
  - ★ High-altitude detectors (photo emulsions)
  - ★ Charged particle tracks
- Human-made accelerators
  - ★ Electromagnetic fields
- Production of new subatomic particles
  - ★ Muons, pions, kaons, etc.



$p$	$\pi^+$	$E$
$n$	$\Delta$	$\pi^0$
$e^-$	$\nu_e$	$\eta$
	$\Omega$	$\Lambda_c^+$
	$\omega$	$\eta'$
	$\nu_\mu$	$\pi^-$
		$\Lambda^0$
		$\Lambda_b^0$
		$\Sigma$
		$\mu^-$
		$\rho$

## The quark model (1964)

- Hadrons non elementary (Gell-Mann, Zweig, Glashow et Bjorken)
- Made of fundamental quarks/antiquarks (among 4 flavours: up, down, strange and charm)
- The lepton sector: electron, muon and neutrinos
- Organisation of matter from few entities



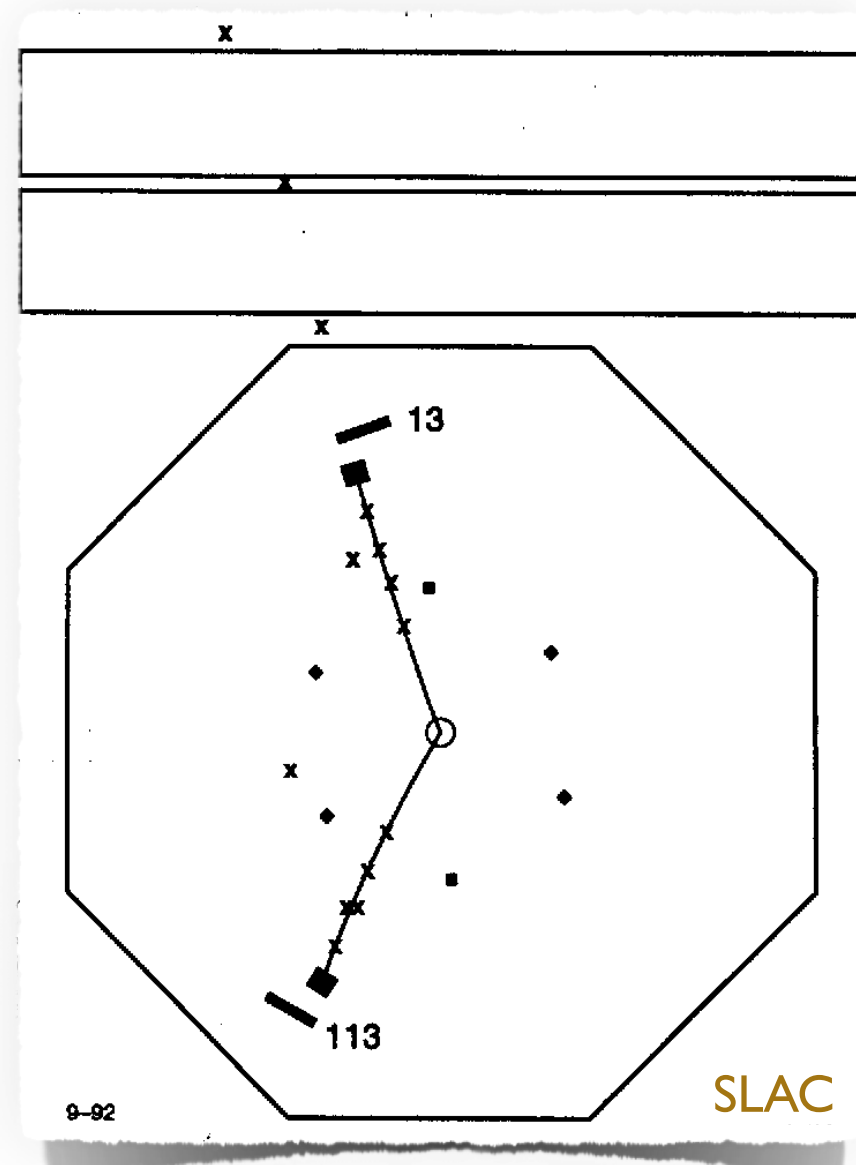
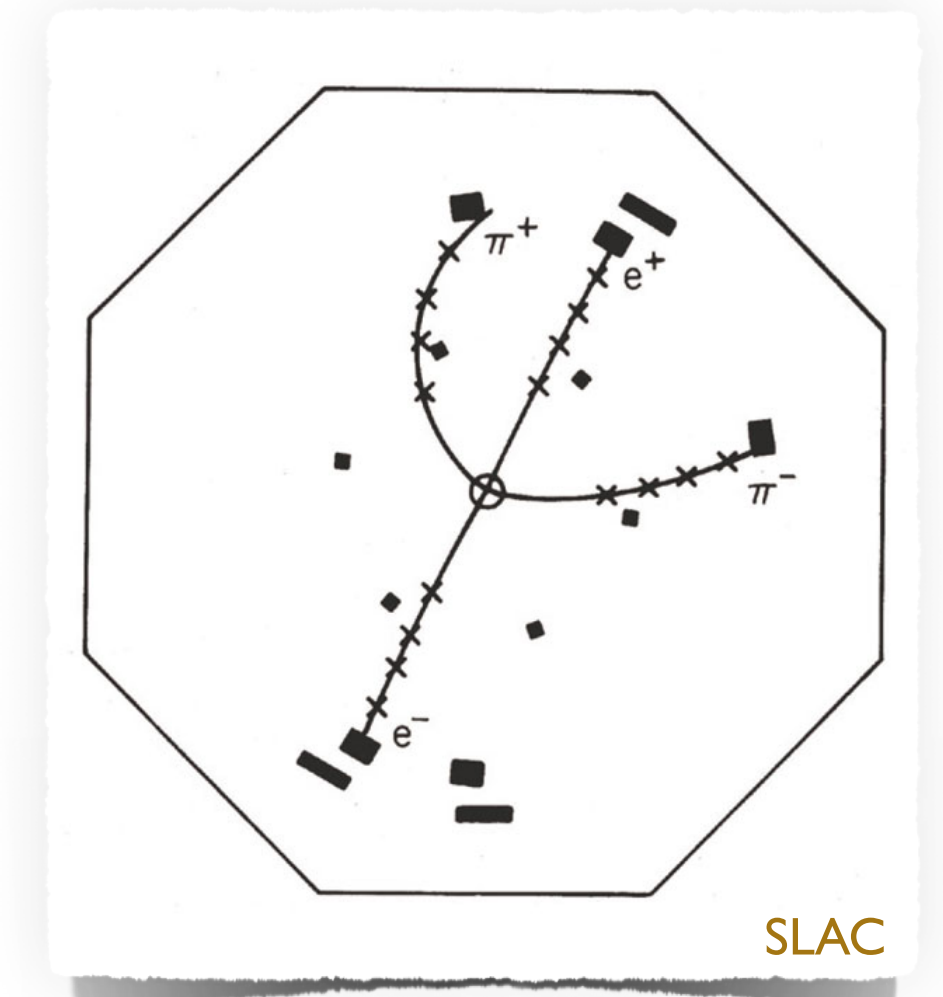
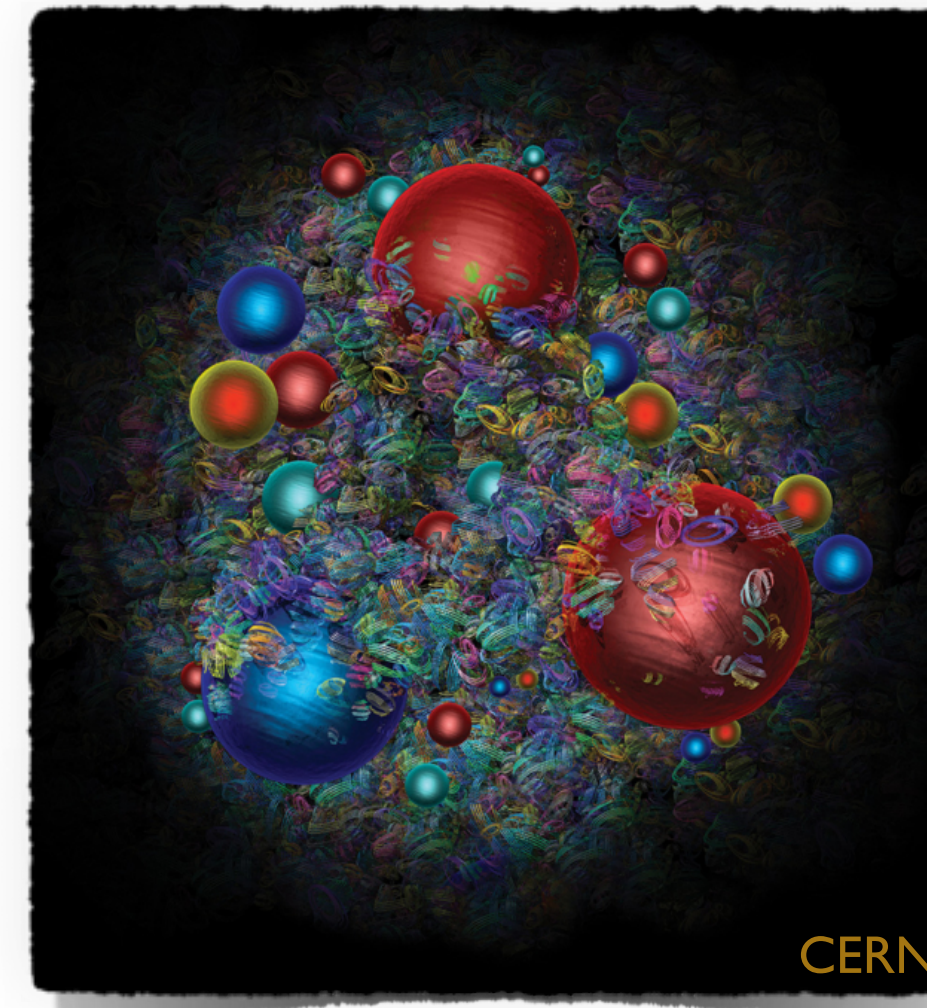
# Towards the Standard Model

## The proton substructure (1968)

- **Discovery** of the up and down quarks
- Indirect **validation** of the strange quark hypothesis

## The November Revolution (1974)

- **Discovery of the charm**

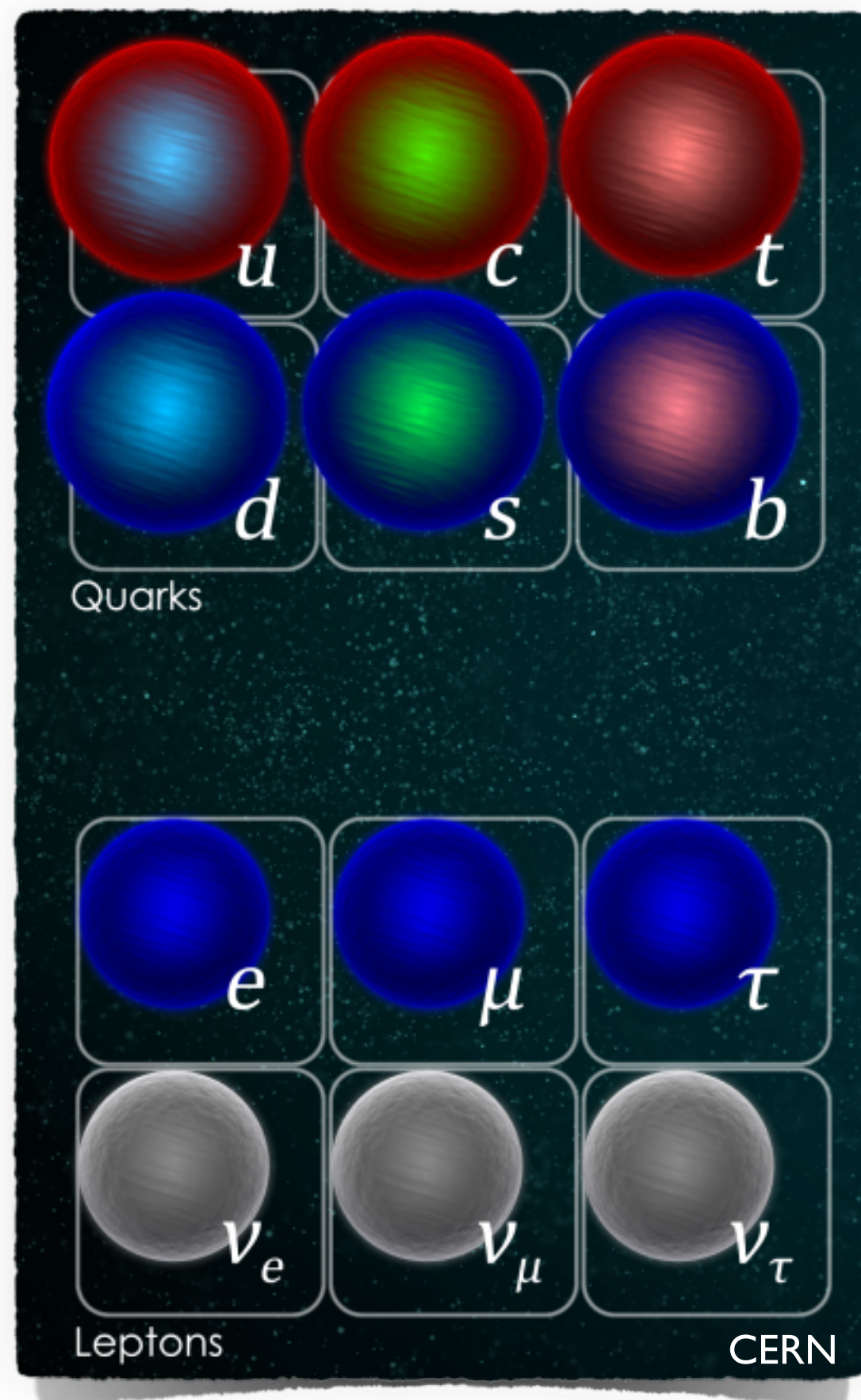


## The third generation (1970 – 2000)

- The  $\tau$  proposed by Tsai (1971)
  - Discovered at SLAC/Berkeley (1975 – 1978)
$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^- \rightarrow e^-\mu^+ + E_T^{\text{miss}}$$
- Weak interactions: **need for a tau neutrino** (Fermilab, 2000)
- CP-violating kaon decays: **need for top and bottom quarks** (GIM – 1970, KM – 1973)
  - Proposed by Harari (1975)
  - Discovered at Fermilab (1977, 1995)

# Three generations of fermions

Fundamental constituents of matter: 3 families of particles/antiparticles



## Particle content

- 3 up-type quarks and 3 down-type quarks
- 3 charged leptons and 3 associated neutrinos

## 1<sup>st</sup> generation

- Sufficient to describe all matter

## 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> generations

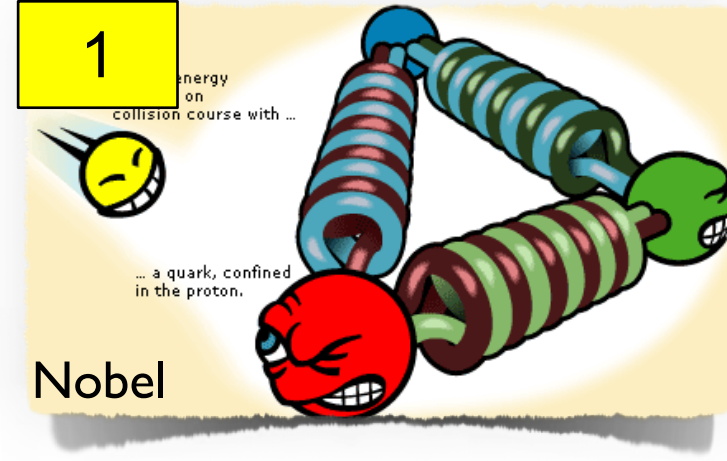
- More massive with identical quantum properties
- Unstable
- Observed in high-energy collisions (accelerators, cosmic rays)



# 3+1 fundamental interactions

## Strong interaction

- Interactions between **coloured particles** (quarks)
- Mediated by massless gluons  $g$  (spin 1)
  - Self interactions
- Hadrons and mesons made of quarks and gluons
  - Stability of atomic nuclei



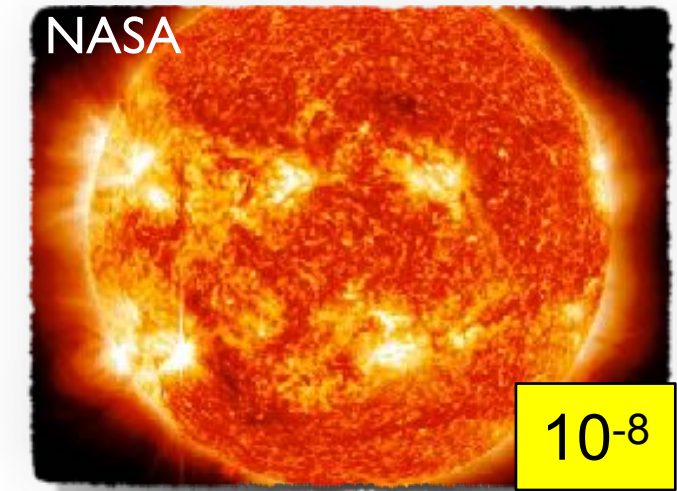
## Electromagnetism

- Interactions between **charged particles** (quarks and charged leptons)
- Mediated by massless photons (spin 1)
- Large-scale phenomena: atomic stability, electricity, chemistry, biology, etc.



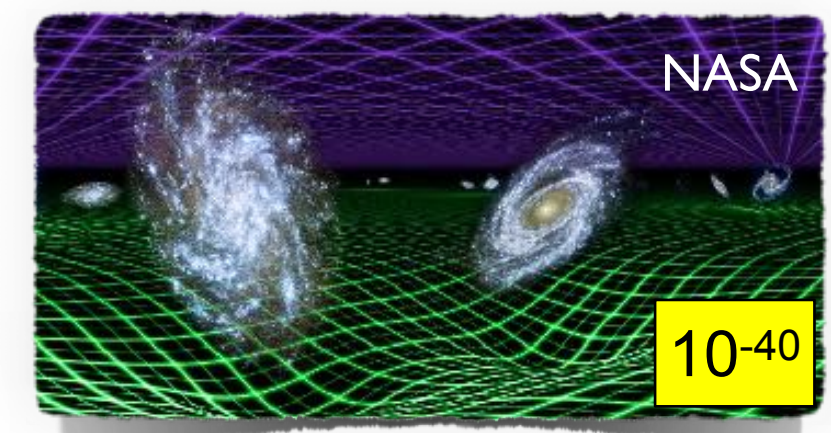
## Weak interaction

- Interactions between **'left-handed' fermions**
- Mediated by massive weak  $W$  and  $Z$  bosons (spin 1)
  - Self interactions, also with photons
- Large set of phenomena: radioactivity, star evolution, etc.



## Gravitation

- Feeble interactions (of strength  $10^{-40}$ ) between **all particles**
- Mediated by the (non-observed) massless graviton (spin 2)
- Not described by the Standard Model → superstrings, M-theory, quantum loop gravity, etc.



Theoretical framework



# The Standard Model - generalities

Symmetry principles ↔ elementary particles and their interactions

- Compatible with **special relativity**
  - ★ Invariance of the speed of light
  - ★ Physics independent of the inertial reference frame
    - Minkowski spacetime (metric, scalar products, etc.)
- Compatible with **quantum mechanics**
  - ★ Probabilistic interpretation
- **Quantum field theory**
  - ★ Quantisation: harmonic/fermionic oscillators
- Interactions: **gauge theories**

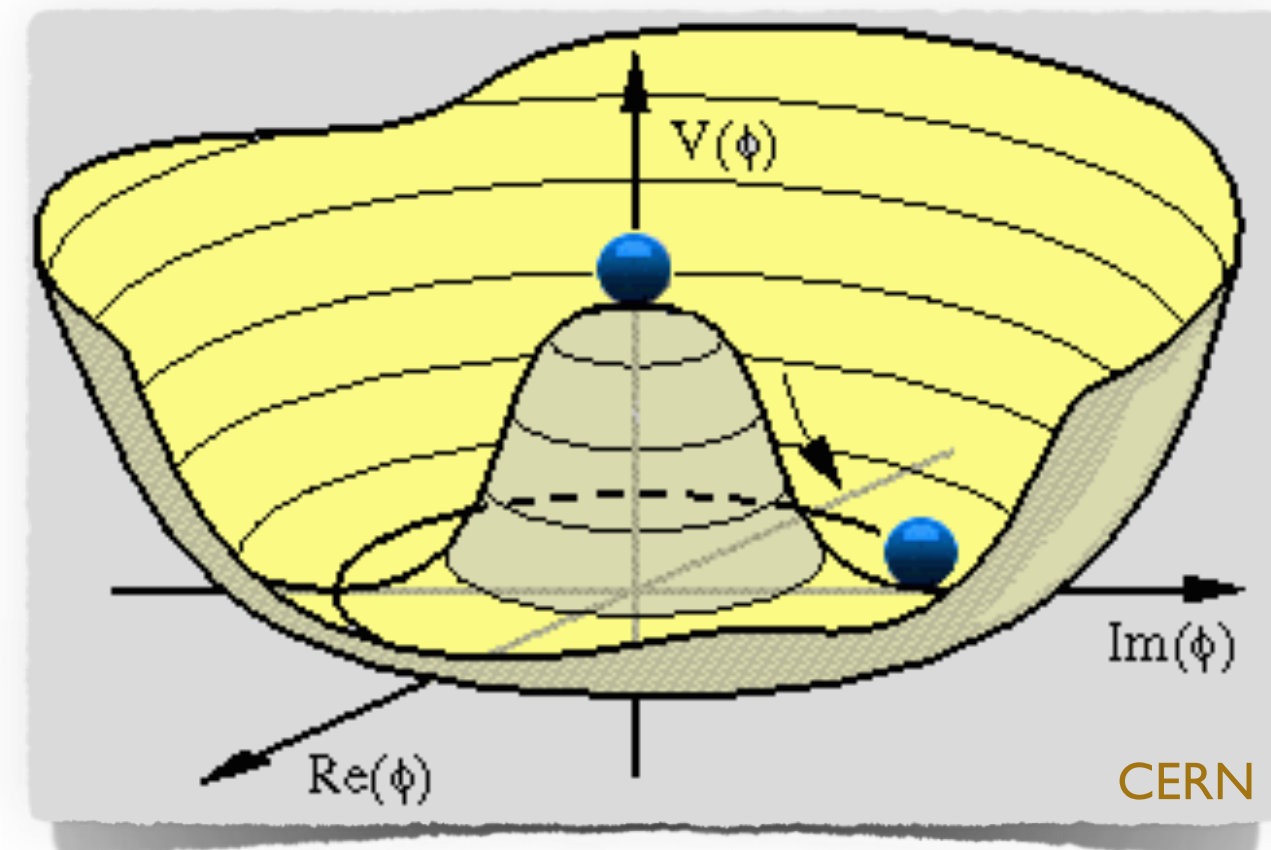




# Symmetries

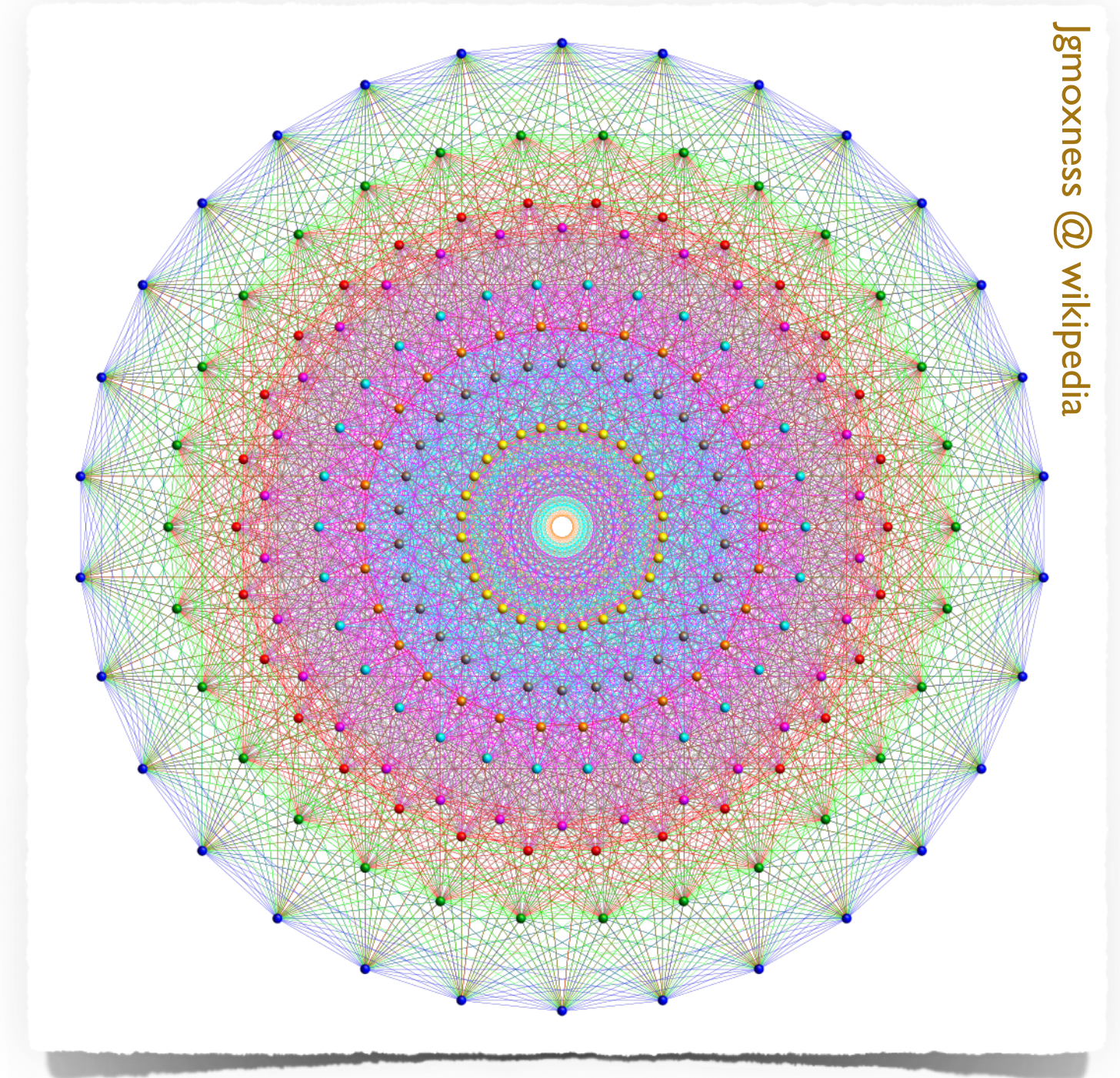
## Why symmetries ?

- Symmetry  $\equiv$  operation leaving the laws of physics unchanged
  - ★ External spacetime symmetries: rotations, boosts, etc.
  - ★ Internal symmetries: phase in quantum mechanics ( $|\Psi\rangle \rightarrow e^{i\alpha} |\Psi\rangle$ )
- **Noether theorem**
  - ★ Conserved charged / symmetry
  - ★ Examples:
    - Spacetime symmetries: energy, spin, etc.
    - Internal symmetries: electric charge, fundamental interactions, etc.



## Extra tool: symmetry breaking

- Anomalies  $\leftrightarrow$  quantum numbers
- Masses of the gauge bosons





# More on symmetries

## Euler-Lagrange equations

- Physics encoded in a **Lagrangian density**  $\mathcal{L}$ 
  - ★ Dependence on quantum fields  $\phi$  (spin 0),  $\psi$  (spin 1/2),  $A^\mu$  (spin 1)
    - Particle creations and annihilations
- Dynamics dictated by the **principle of least action**

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \phi} - \partial_\mu \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_\mu \phi)} = 0$$

- ★ Conserved current and charge

## Symmetric transformations

- Wigner: (anti-)unitary operators  $\{G_i\}$ 
$$\phi(x) \rightarrow G_i \phi(x)$$
- Hermitian symmetry generators  $\{g_i\}$ 
$$G_i = \exp [i\omega^i g_i]$$
  - ★ **Symmetry algebra**
$$[g_i, g_j] = i f_{ij}^k g_k$$
    - Examples:  $i\mathfrak{so}(1,3)$ ,  $\mathfrak{su}(2)$ ,  $\mathfrak{su}(3)$ , ...
      - ≡ mass, spin, fundamental interactions
- Lagrangian invariance:  $\mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{L} + \partial_\mu(\dots)$ 
  - Conserved quantity from each symmetry

# Mass and spin

## The Poincaré algebra $i\mathfrak{so}(1,3)$

- Space-time translations, rotations and boosts
- Invariance of Maxwell equations + all relativistic wave equations

## Poincaré invariance

- Quadratic Casimir operator  $P^2$ : **particle masses**
- Lorentz algebra isomorphic to  $\mathfrak{so}(3) \oplus \mathfrak{so}(3)$ : **spin**
  - ★  $(0,0) \equiv$  scalars
  - ★  $(1/2,0) \oplus (0,1/2) \equiv$  fermions/spinors
  - ★  $(1/2,1/2) \equiv$  vectors
- Representation characterised by mass/spin quantum numbers
- **Relativistic wave equations and Lagrangians**
  - Klein-Gordon, Dirac, Yang-Mills

$$\begin{aligned} [M^{\mu\nu}, M^{\rho\sigma}] &= -i(\eta^{\nu\sigma} M^{\rho\mu} - \eta^{\mu\sigma} M^{\rho\nu} + \eta^{\nu\rho} M^{\mu\sigma} - \eta^{\mu\rho} M^{\nu\sigma}) \\ [M^{\mu\nu}, P^\rho] &= -i(\eta^{\nu\rho} P^\mu - \eta^{\mu\rho} P^\nu) , \\ [P^\mu, P^\nu] &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

# Relativistic wave equations

Scalar fields:  $\phi(x) \rightarrow \phi'(x') = \phi(x)$

- (0,0) representation of the Lorentz algebra
- Klein-Gordon equation from the mass-energy relation

$$P^2 = m^2 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad (\square + m^2)\phi = 0$$

- Problem in the 1920s: solution with  $E < 0$
- **Lagrangian for a free field**

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{KG}} = \partial_\mu \phi^\dagger \partial^\mu \phi - m^2 \phi^\dagger \phi$$

- In the Standard Model: the **Higgs field**

Spinors:  $\psi(x) \rightarrow \psi'(x') = \Lambda_{1/2} \psi(x)$

- $(1/2,0) \oplus (0,1/2)$  representation of the Lorentz algebra
- Attempt to solve the  $E < 0$  solutions of the KG equation

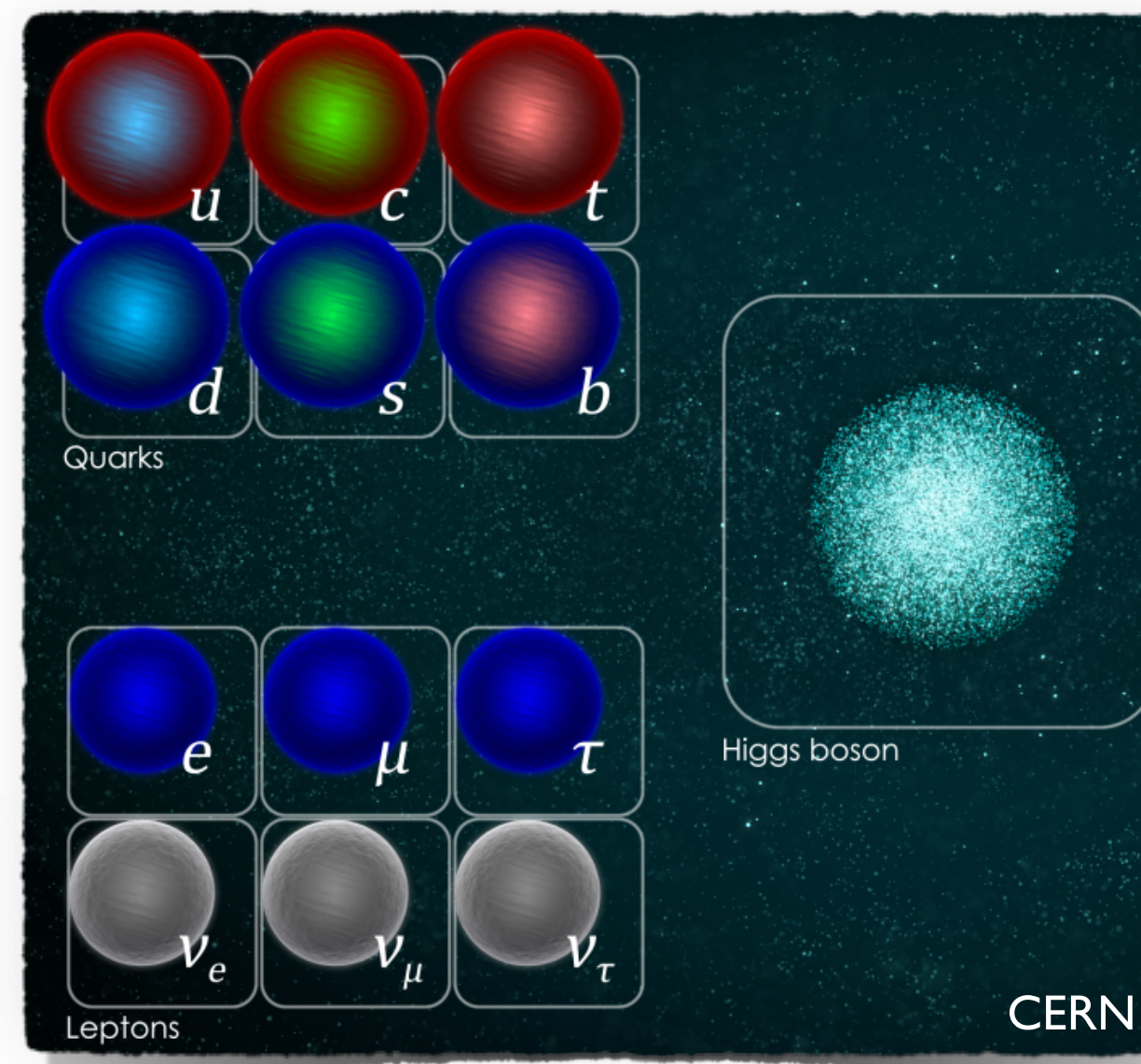
$$\rightarrow \text{Dirac equation: } (i\not{\partial} - m)\psi = 0$$

- **Dirac Lagrangian for a free field**

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Dirac}} = i\bar{\psi}\not{\partial}\psi - m\bar{\psi}\psi$$

$\rightarrow$  Mass terms: mix left- and right-handed spinors

- In the Standard Model: the **matter fields**



# Relativistic wave equations

Vector fields:  $A^\mu(x) \rightarrow A^{\mu'}(x') = \Lambda^{\mu'}_{\nu} A^\nu(x)$

- (0,0) representation of the Lorentz algebra
- Maxwell / Yang-Mills equations  $\rightarrow$  free Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{YM}} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^a F_a^{\mu\nu} - A_\mu^a j_a^\mu$$

- $\rightarrow$  Coupling to a current
- $\rightarrow$  Self-interactions if non-Abelian
- $\rightarrow$  **Massless states**

- In the Standard Model: **gauge bosons**

## Gauge symmetries – fundamental interactions

- Example  $SU(N), U(1)$ 
  - ★ Association of a coupling constant  $g$
  - ★ Representations given to matter fields  $\equiv$  **charges**
  - ★ Yang-Mills /Maxwell Lagrangian for the vector field dynamics

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QED}} = \sum_{j=e,\nu_e,u,d} \bar{\Psi}_j i\gamma^\mu D_\mu \Psi^j - \frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}$$

$$\text{with } D_\mu = \partial_\mu - ieqA_\mu, \quad F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} = \sum_{j=u,d} \bar{\Psi}_j i\gamma^\mu D_\mu \Psi^j - \frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^a F_a^{\mu\nu}$$

$$\text{with } D_\mu = \partial_\mu - ig_s T_a G_\mu^a, \quad F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu G_\nu^a - \partial_\nu G_\mu^a + g_s f_{bc}^a G_\mu^b G_\nu^c$$



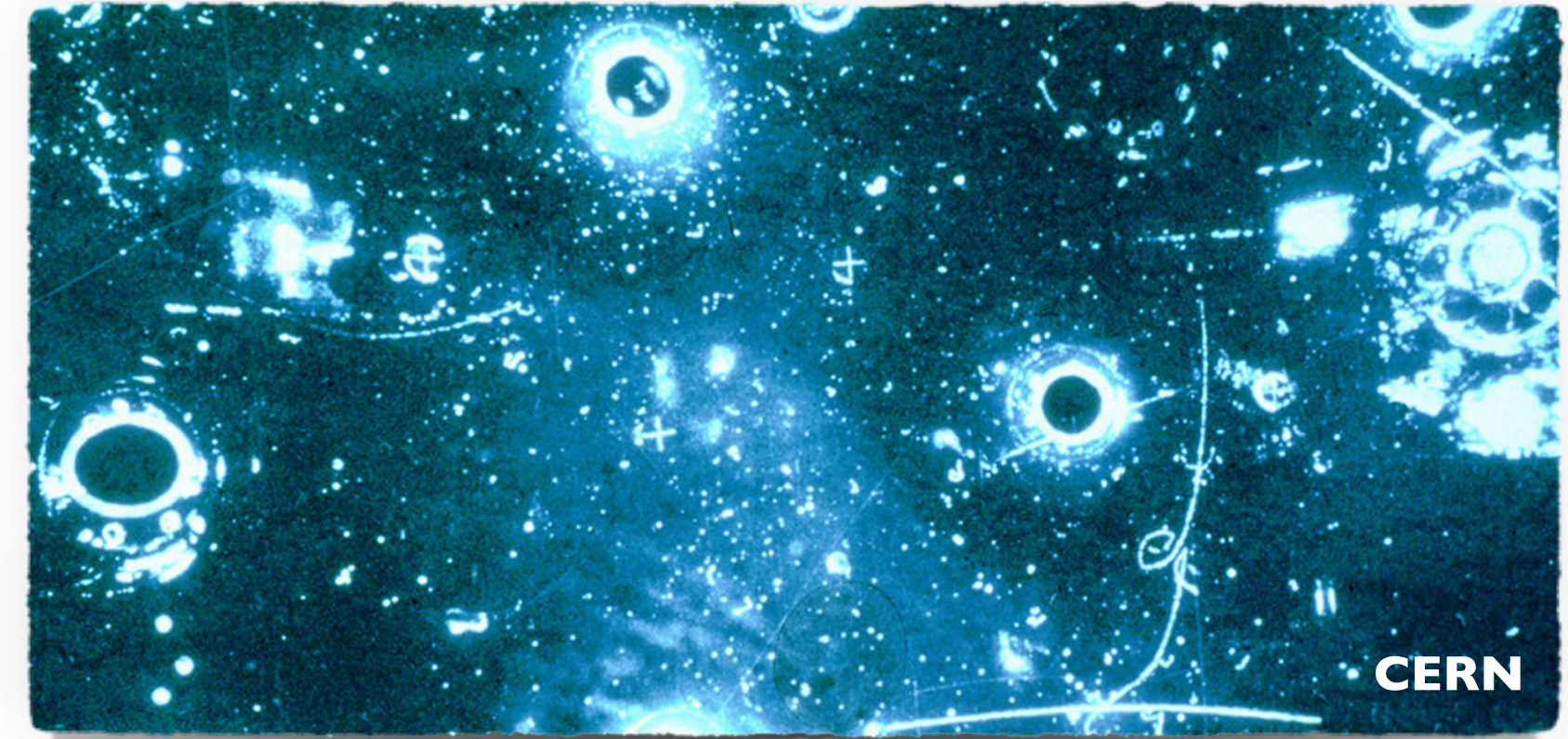
# From a free theory to an interacting one

## Gauge invariance of the Lagrangian

- Free fields at the beginning
- **$SU(N)$  gauge interactions**  $\rightarrow$  field in some representation

$$\psi(x) \rightarrow \psi'(x) = U\psi(x) = e^{igT_a\omega^a} \psi(x)$$

- Step 1: constant  $\{ \omega \}$
- Step 2: local  $\{ \omega(x) \}$



## Constant transformation parameters

- Transformation laws

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_\mu \psi(x) &\rightarrow U \partial_\mu \psi(x), & \bar{\psi}(x) \partial_\mu \psi(x) &\rightarrow \bar{\psi}(x) U^\dagger U \partial_\mu \psi(x) = \bar{\psi}(x) \partial_\mu \psi(x) \\ &\Rightarrow \mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{L} \end{aligned}$$

## Local transformation parameters

- Transformation laws

$$\partial_\mu \psi(x) \not\rightarrow U(x) \partial_\mu \psi(x) \quad \rightarrow \text{Lagrangian not invariant}$$

## A vector field to save the day

- **Modifications of the derivative**  $\partial_\mu \rightarrow D_\mu = \partial_\mu - igA_\mu^a T_a$ 
  - ★ Introduction of a **vector field** with *ad hoc* transformation rules
  - ★ Lagrangian invariance preserved

$$\begin{aligned} A^\mu(x) &\rightarrow U(x) \left[ A^\mu(x) + \frac{i}{g} \partial^\mu \right] U^\dagger(x) &\Rightarrow & D_\mu \psi(x) \rightarrow U(x) D_\mu \psi(x) \\ \bar{\psi}(x) D_\mu \psi(x) &\rightarrow \bar{\psi}(x) U^\dagger(x) U(x) D_\mu \psi(x) = \bar{\psi}(x) D_\mu \psi(x) &\Rightarrow & \mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{L} \end{aligned}$$

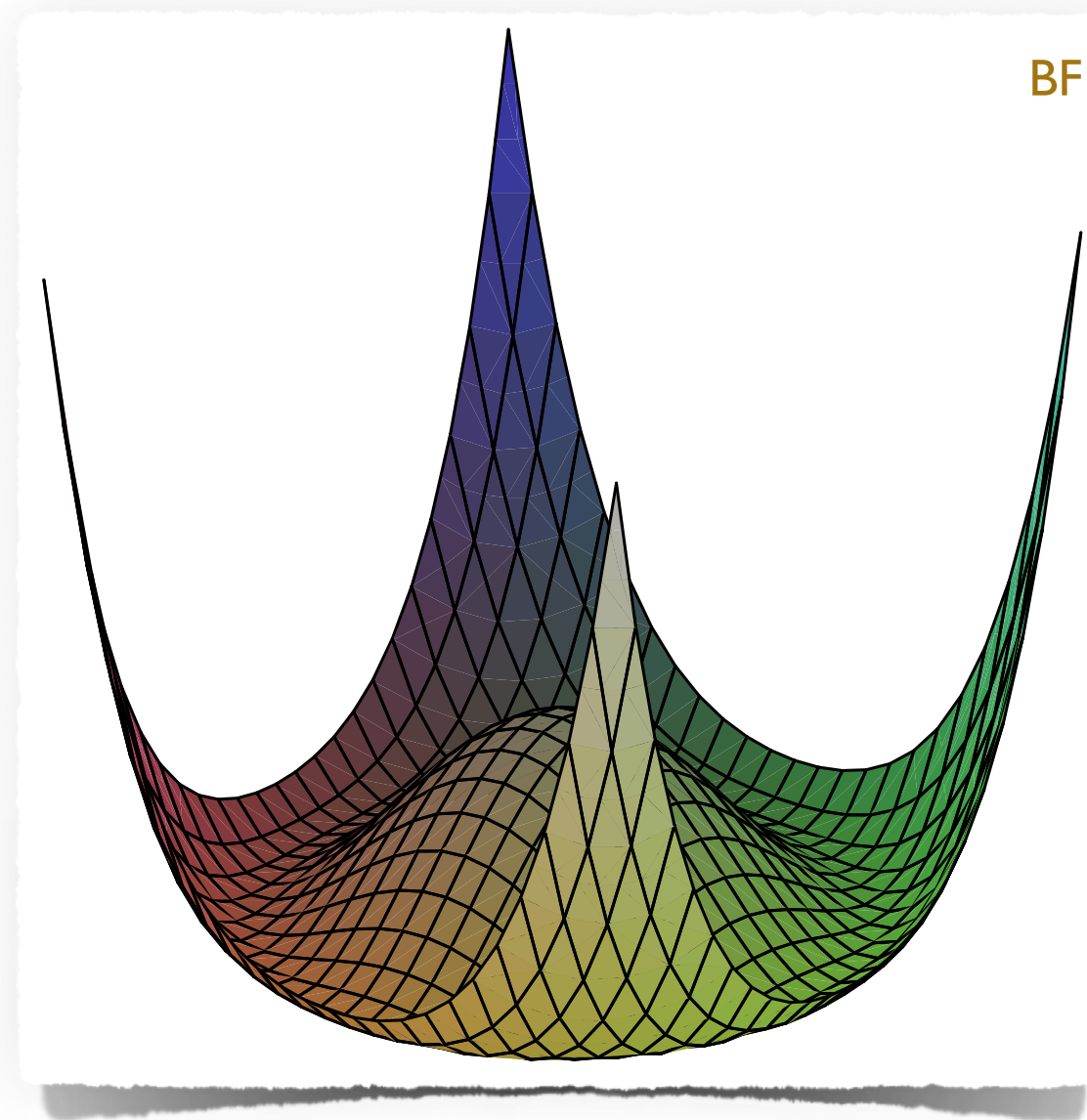


# Symmetry breaking

## Toy theoretical setup with a $U(1)_X$ gauge symmetry

- Gauge boson  $X^\mu$  + gauge coupling  $g_X$
- Scalar field  $\varphi$  charged under the  $U(1)_X$ -symmetry
- Free Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{toy}} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^a F_a^{\mu\nu} - D_\mu \varphi^\dagger D^\mu \varphi$$



## Interactions: everything not forbidden by the symmetry

- Scalar potential:  $V = -\mu^2 \varphi^\dagger \varphi + \lambda (\varphi^\dagger \varphi)^2$
- **Minimisation of the potential** and **shift of  $\varphi$**  around the vev

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial \varphi} = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \varphi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [v + s^0 + ia^0]$$

- Generation of a scalar mass term for  $s^0 \equiv$  **Higgs boson**
- The pseudo-scalar  $a^0$  massless  $\equiv$  **Goldstone boson**
- Generation of a multiscalar interactions between  $s^0$  and  $a^0$

## Mass generation (the Brout-Englert-Higgs mechanism)

- Generation of a **gauge boson mass term**

$$D_\mu \varphi^\dagger D^\mu \varphi \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{1}{2} g_x^2 v^2 X^\mu X_\mu$$

- The Goldstone boson eaten by the gauge boson (3 degrees of freedom)

- **Bonus:** fermion mass terms from Yukawa interactions

$$-y\bar{\psi}\psi\varphi \rightarrow -\frac{yv}{\sqrt{2}}\bar{\psi}\psi$$

# Summary so far

## The Noether procedure in a nutshell

- Choose a gauge group
- Set up matter fields (and representations)
- Write the free Lagrangian
- Promote derivative to covariant derivatives
- Add kinetic terms for the gauge boson

## Bonus items

- Interactions are dictated by geometry
- Gauge group and matter content not predicted
- The gauge symmetry can be eventually broken
- The theory must be anomaly-free

## The Standard Model



# Towards the Standard Model

## Electromagnetism

- Gauge group:  $U(1)_{em}$
- Gauge boson: the photon
- Quantum numbers from data

## Weak interactions

- Fermi theory in the 1930s
  - $SU(2)_L$  doublets
  - Left-handed fermions
- Gauge bosons:  $W/Z$  bosons
- Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{L}[i\not{D}]L + \bar{e}_R[i\not{\partial}]e_R - \frac{1}{4}W_{\mu\nu}^i W_i^{\mu\nu}$$

## Strong interaction

- Gauge group:  $SU(3)_c$
- Gauge boson: gluons
- Quarks carry colour
  - Corroborated by baryon spectrum

	mass	charge	spin	
QUARKS	$\approx 2.16 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	<b>u</b> up
	$\approx 1.273 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	<b>c</b> charm
	$\approx 172.57 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	<b>t</b> top
	$\approx 4.7 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$-\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	<b>d</b> down
	$\approx 93.5 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$-\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	<b>s</b> strange
	$\approx 4.183 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	$-\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	<b>b</b> bottom
LEPTONS	$\approx 0.511 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	-1	$\frac{1}{2}$	<b>e</b> electron
	$\approx 105.66 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	-1	$\frac{1}{2}$	<b><math>\mu</math></b> muon
	$\approx 1.77693 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	-1	$\frac{1}{2}$	<b><math>\tau</math></b> tau
	$< 0.8 \text{ eV}/c^2$	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	<b><math>\nu_e</math></b> electron neutrino
	$< 0.17 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	<b><math>\nu_\mu</math></b> muon neutrino
	$< 18.2 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	<b><math>\nu_\tau</math></b> tau neutrino
				<b>g</b> gluon
				<b><math>\gamma</math></b> photon
				<b>Z</b> Z boson
				<b>W</b> W boson

Wikipedia

Problem:

1. Massless matter and gauge bosons
2.  $W/Z$  boson different from the  $W_i$  bosons

→ Symmetry breaking

# The Standard Model

## Introduction of an *ad hoc* hypercharge and weak interaction group

- Gauge group:  $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$
- Addition of a scalar field ( $SU(2)_L$  Higgs doublet)
- Symmetry breaking

$$SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \rightarrow U(1)_{em}$$

- Hypercharge quantum numbers to recover the electric charges ( $Y + T^3 = Q$ )

## Electroweak symmetry breaking

- Higgs doublet (4 degrees of freedom) + scalar potential
- Mixing in the electroweak sector
  - ★ Neutral gauge boson mixing:  $W^3/B \rightarrow \text{photon}/Z$
  - ★  $W/Z$  boson masses (three Goldstones)
- One extra degree of freedom: a Higgs boson

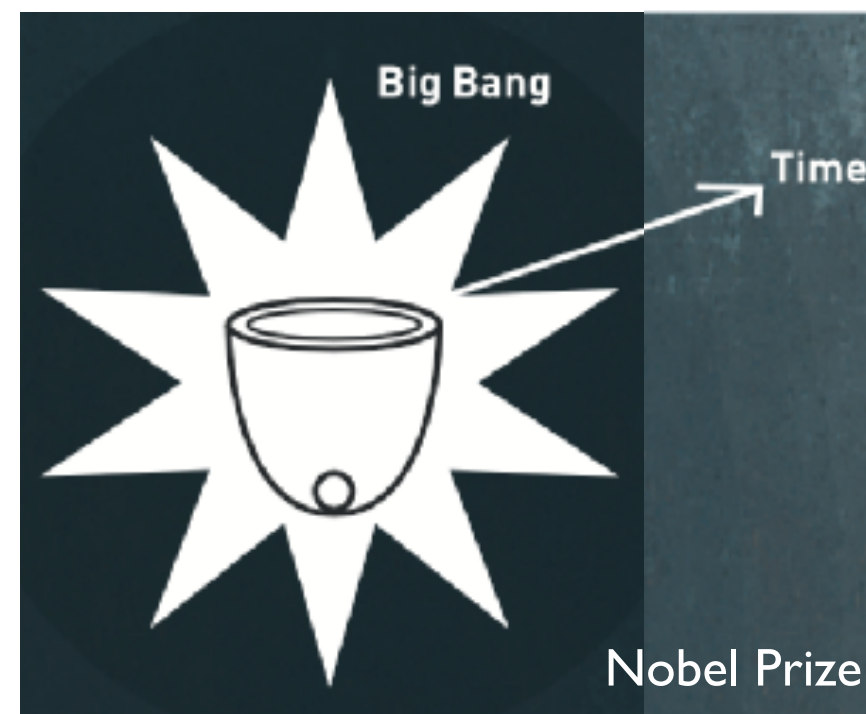
[Englert & Brout (PRL '64); Higgs (PRL '64)]

Field	$SU(2)_L$ rep.	Quantum numbers		
		$Y$	$T^3$	$Q$
$L^f = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_{\nu_{ef},L} \\ \psi_{ef,L} \end{pmatrix}$	<b>2</b>	$-\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0
		$-\frac{1}{2}$	$-\frac{1}{2}$	-1
$e_R^f$	<b>1</b>	-1	0	-1
$Q^f = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_{uf,L} \\ \psi_{df,L} \end{pmatrix}$	<b>2</b>	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{2}{3}$
		$\frac{1}{6}$	$-\frac{1}{2}$	$-\frac{1}{3}$
$u_R^f$	<b>1</b>	$\frac{2}{3}$	0	$\frac{2}{3}$
$d_R^f$	<b>1</b>	$-\frac{1}{3}$	0	$-\frac{1}{3}$

# The Higgs boson revisited

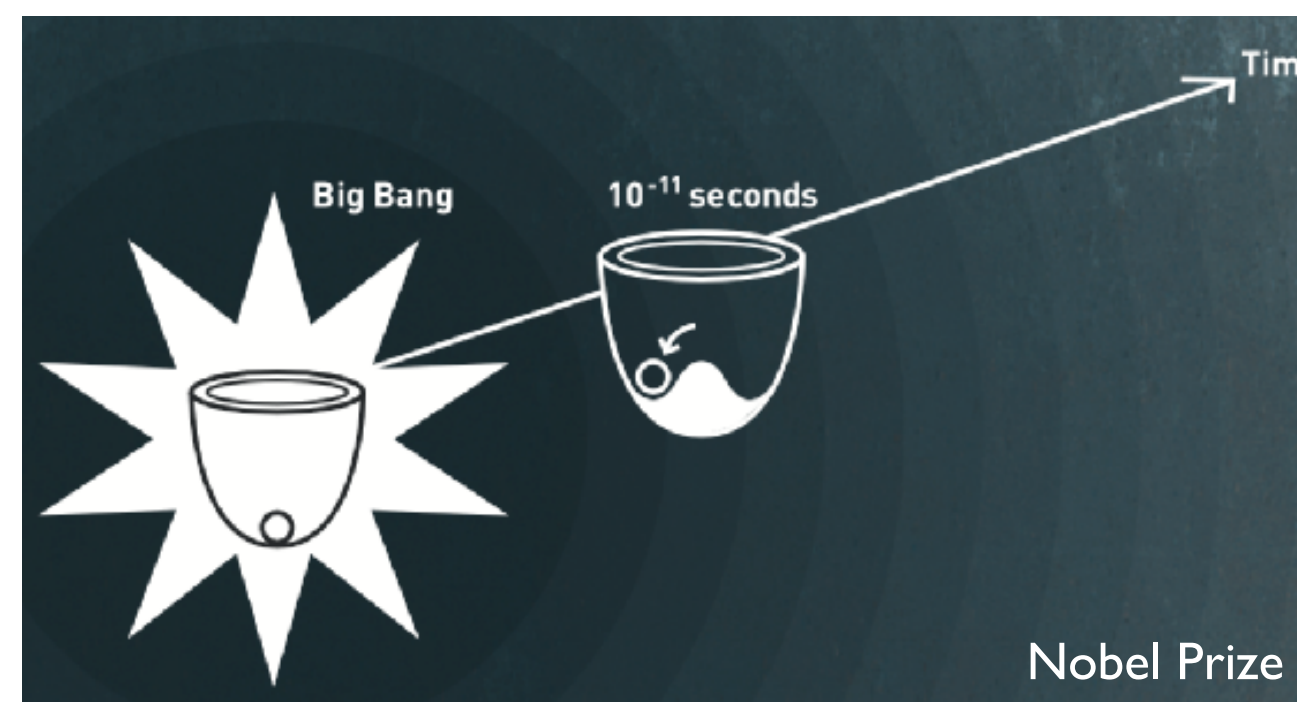
## Gauge symmetries and interactions

- Incredible description of nature
- Massless particles → contradiction wrt data



## Symmetry behind our world hidden

- Universe born gauge-symmetric
  - Massless states and unified forces
- Analogy: bowl+marble
  - The marble goes back to the fundamental state

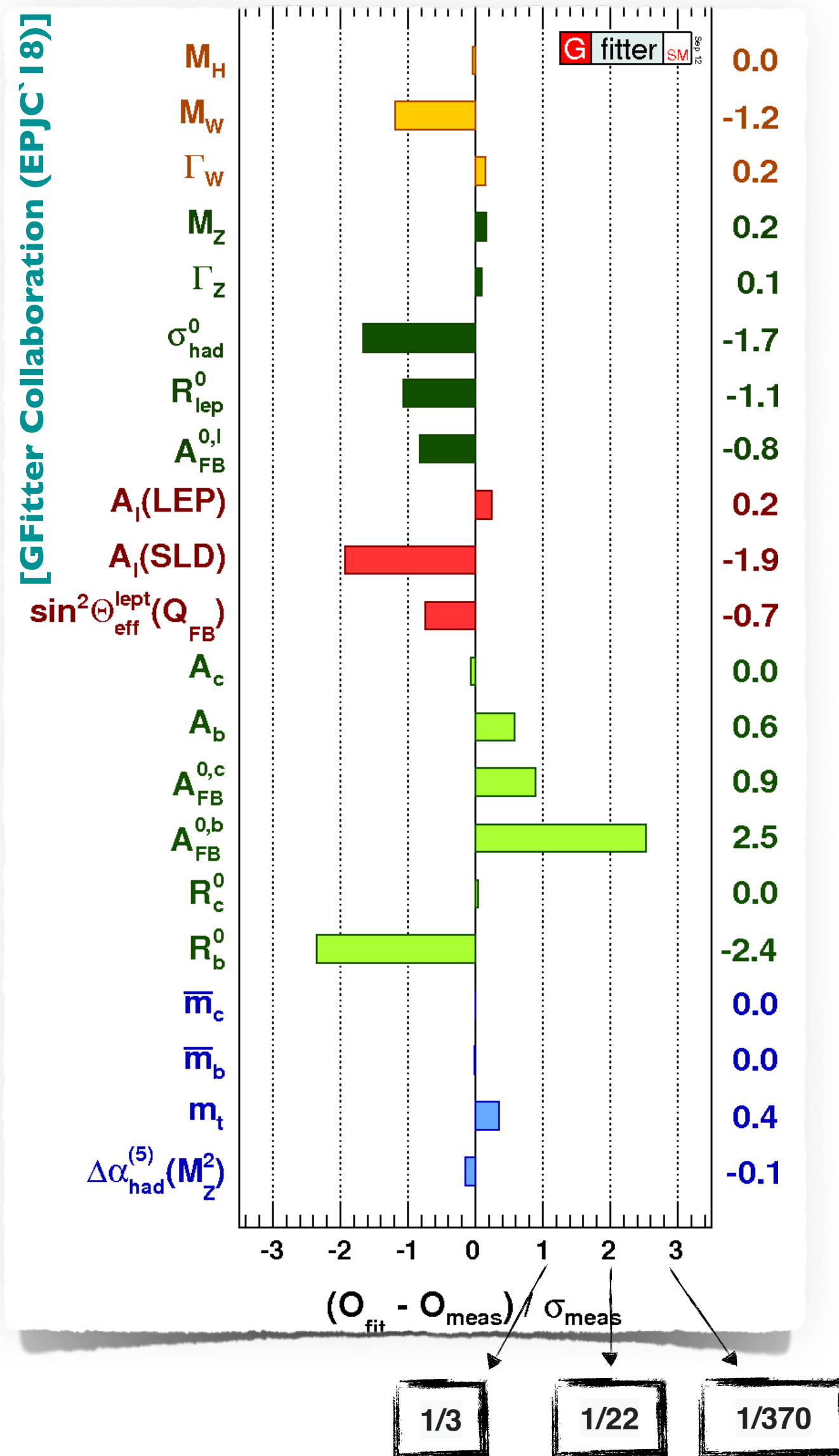


## At 10<sup>-11</sup> second: a bump

- The marble far from the centre
- System still symmetric, but symmetry hidden



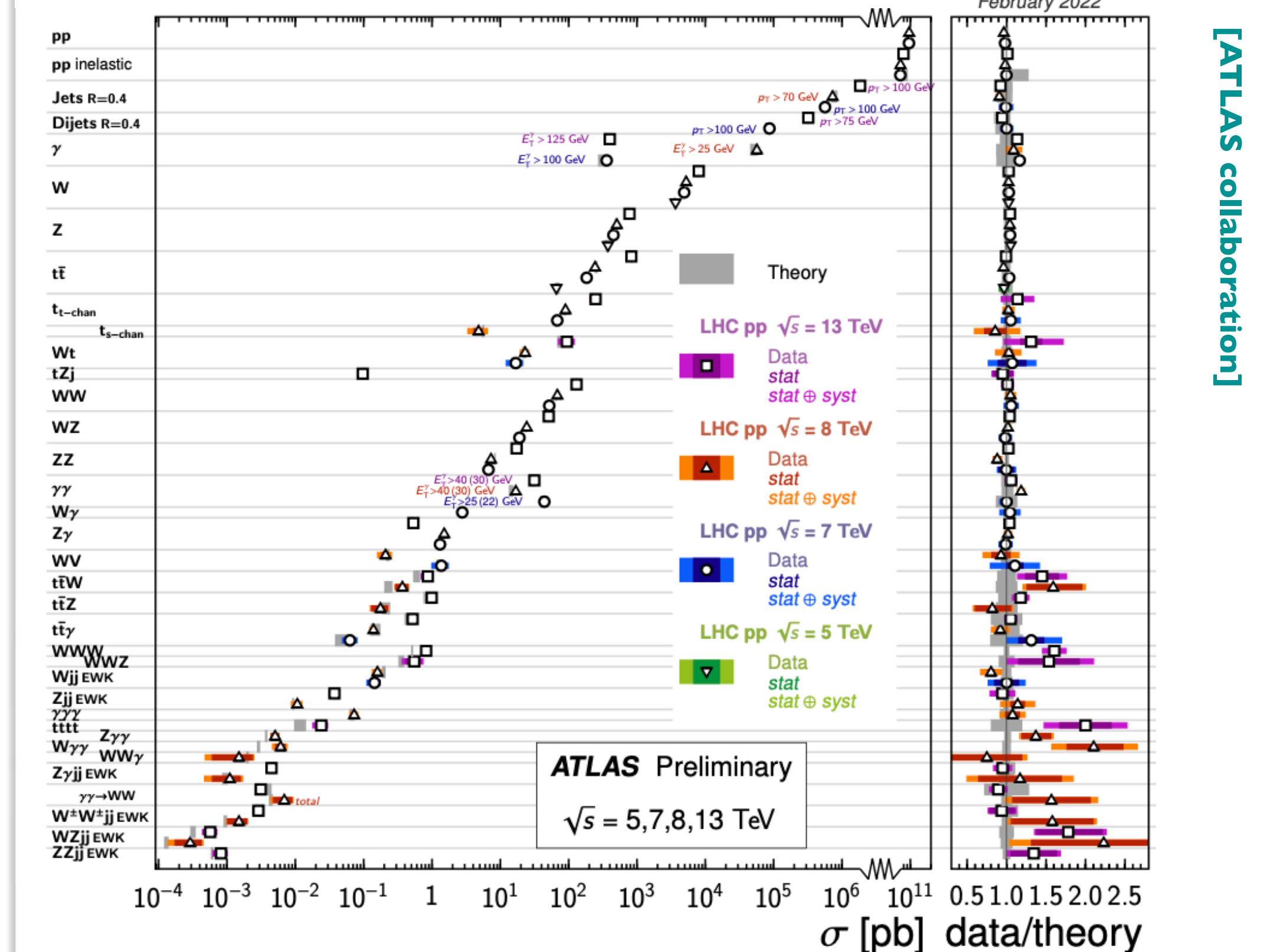
# 60 years of experimental tests



## Standard Model fit

- Theory-experiment disagreement  $< 3\sigma$  (no new physics)
- $\rightarrow 5\sigma$  necessary for a discovery (1/1,750,000)

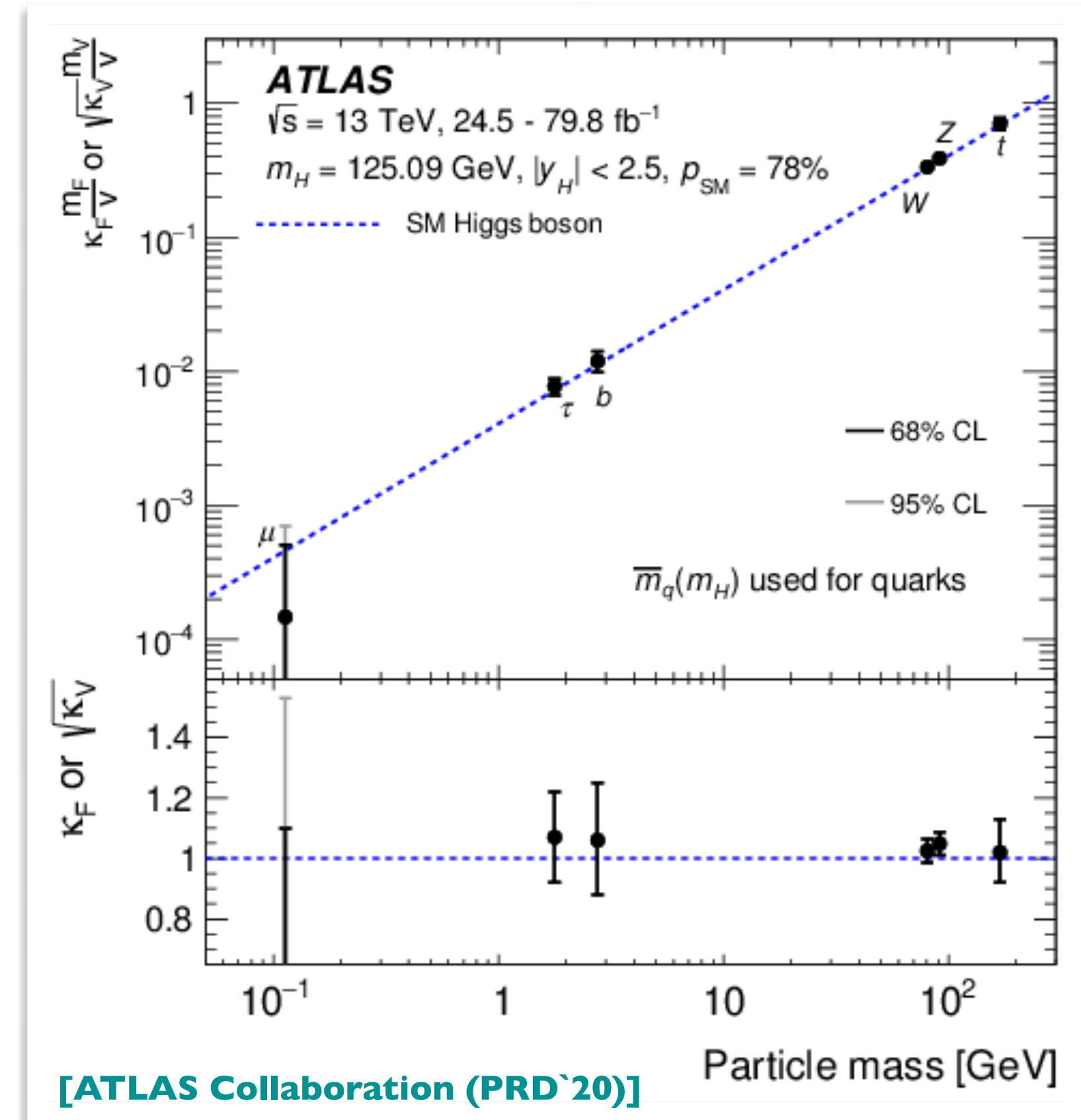
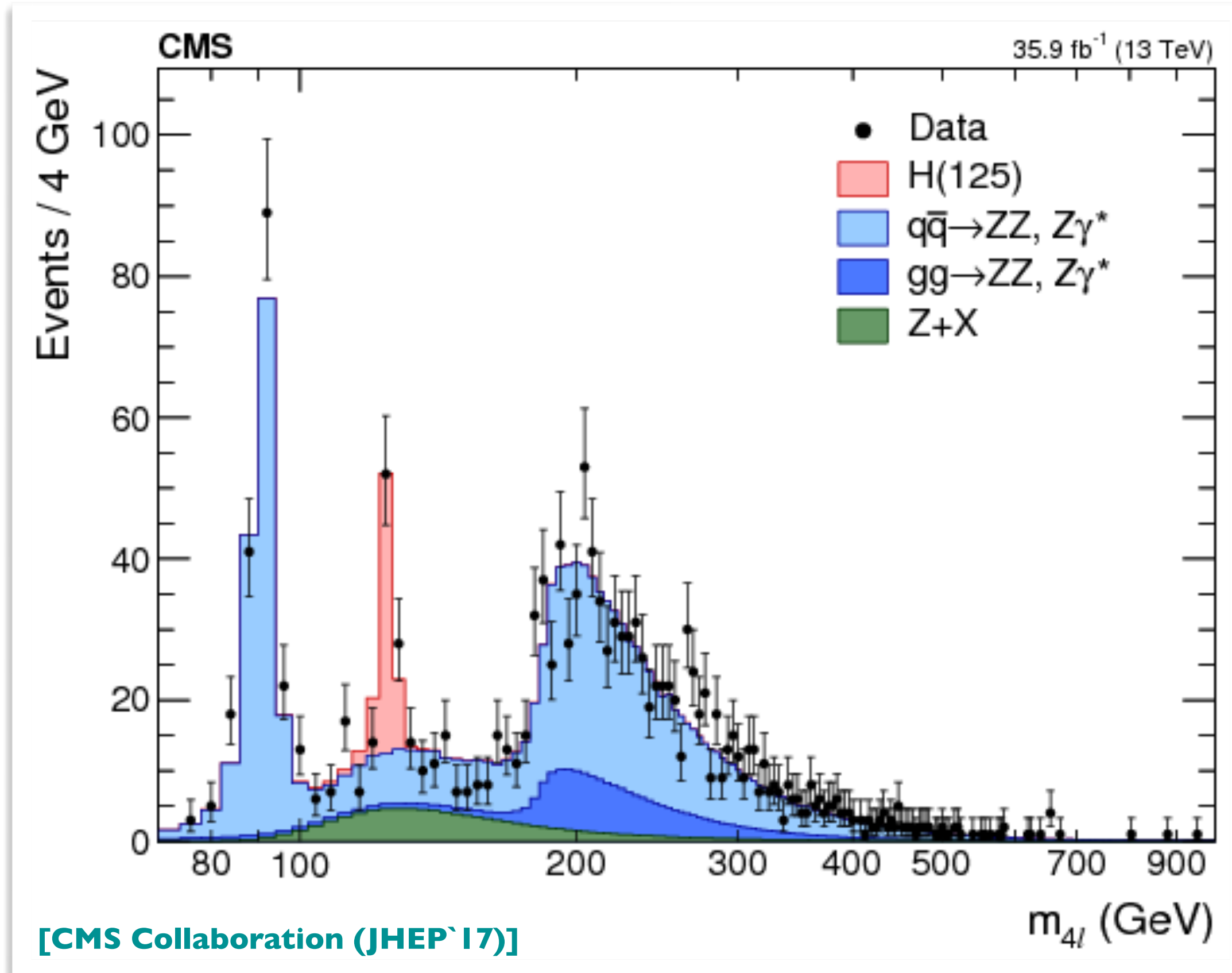
## LHC production rates



# Experimental proof of the Higgs boson

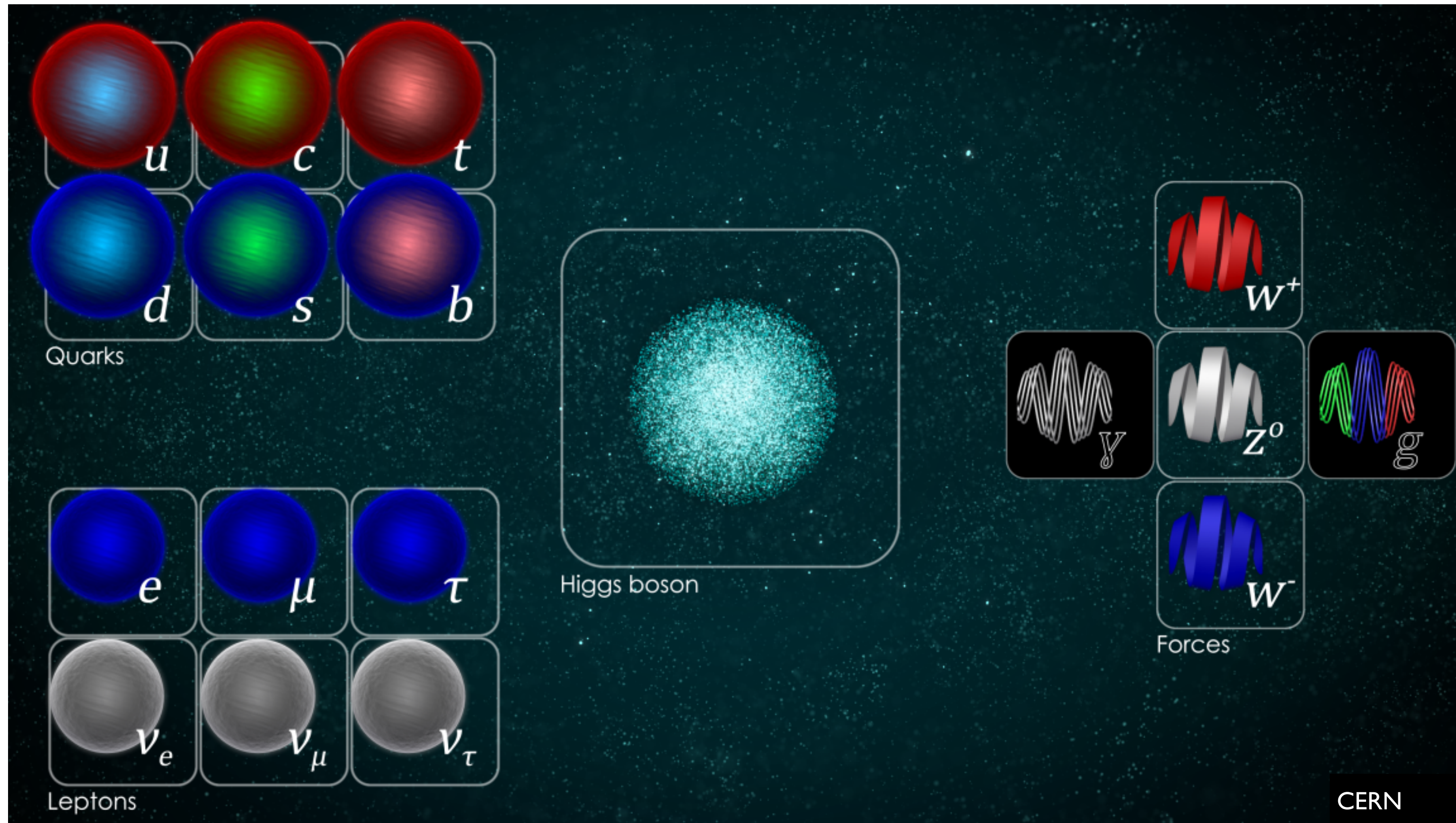
## Observation

- Validation of the Brout-Englert-Higgs mechanism
  - mass of the  $W$  et  $Z$  boson + existence of the **Higgs boson**
- Quark and lepton masses  $\equiv$  interactions with the Higgs boson
  - Couplings **proportional to mass**





# The Standard Model: summary



## All particles found

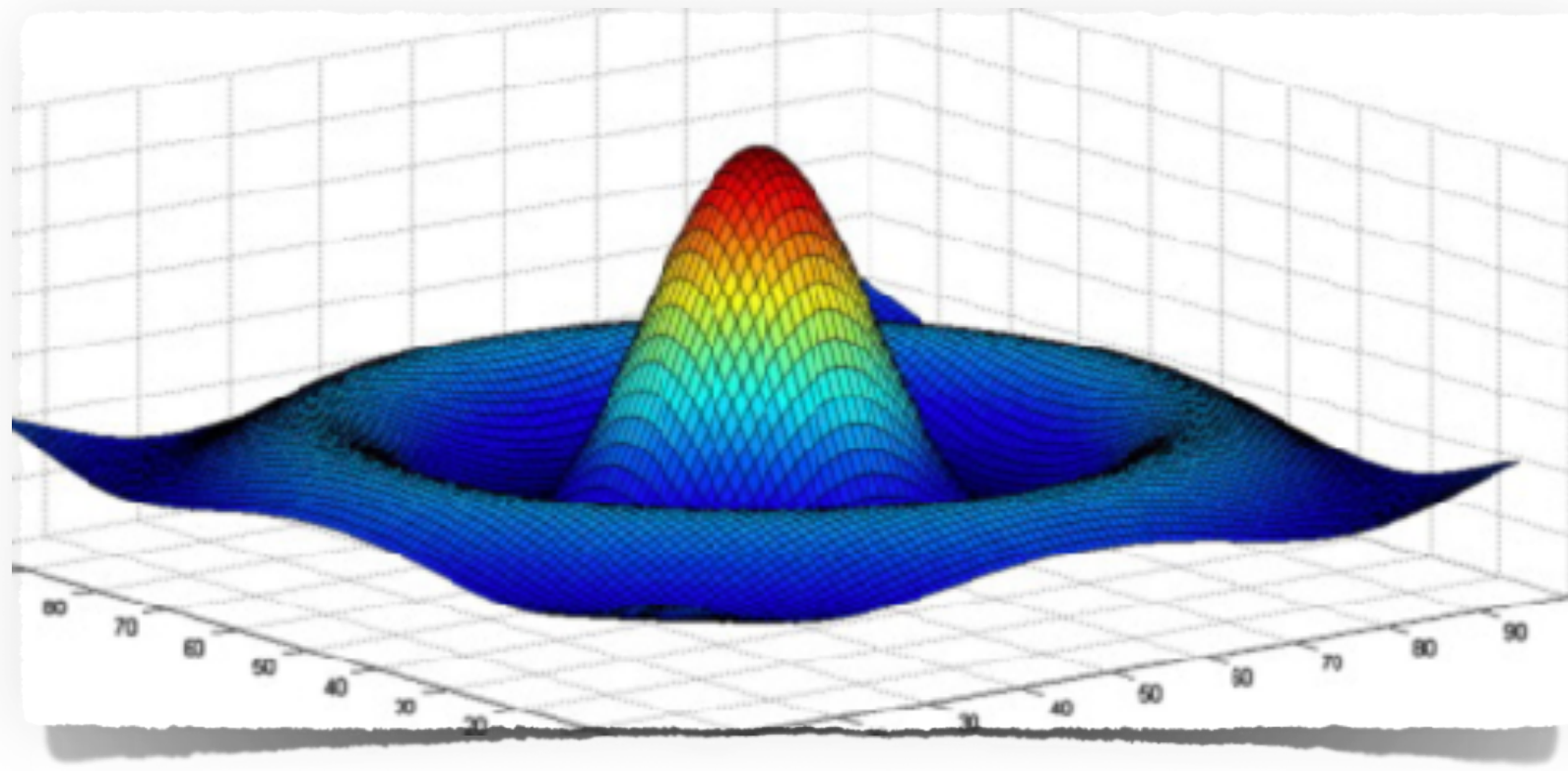
- Higgs boson (2012)
- Tau neutrino (2000)
- Top quark (1995)
- *etc.*

## Tested over 30 orders of magnitude

- $10^{-18}$  eV : bounds on the photon mass
- $10^{+13}$  eV : LHC energy



# Success and failures of the Standard Model



## SM extremely successful

- Agreement with a century of data
- No clear sign of new phenomena

## Why going beyond ?

- Practical limitations
- Conceptual issues
- Few experimental anomalies

## Some issues of the SM

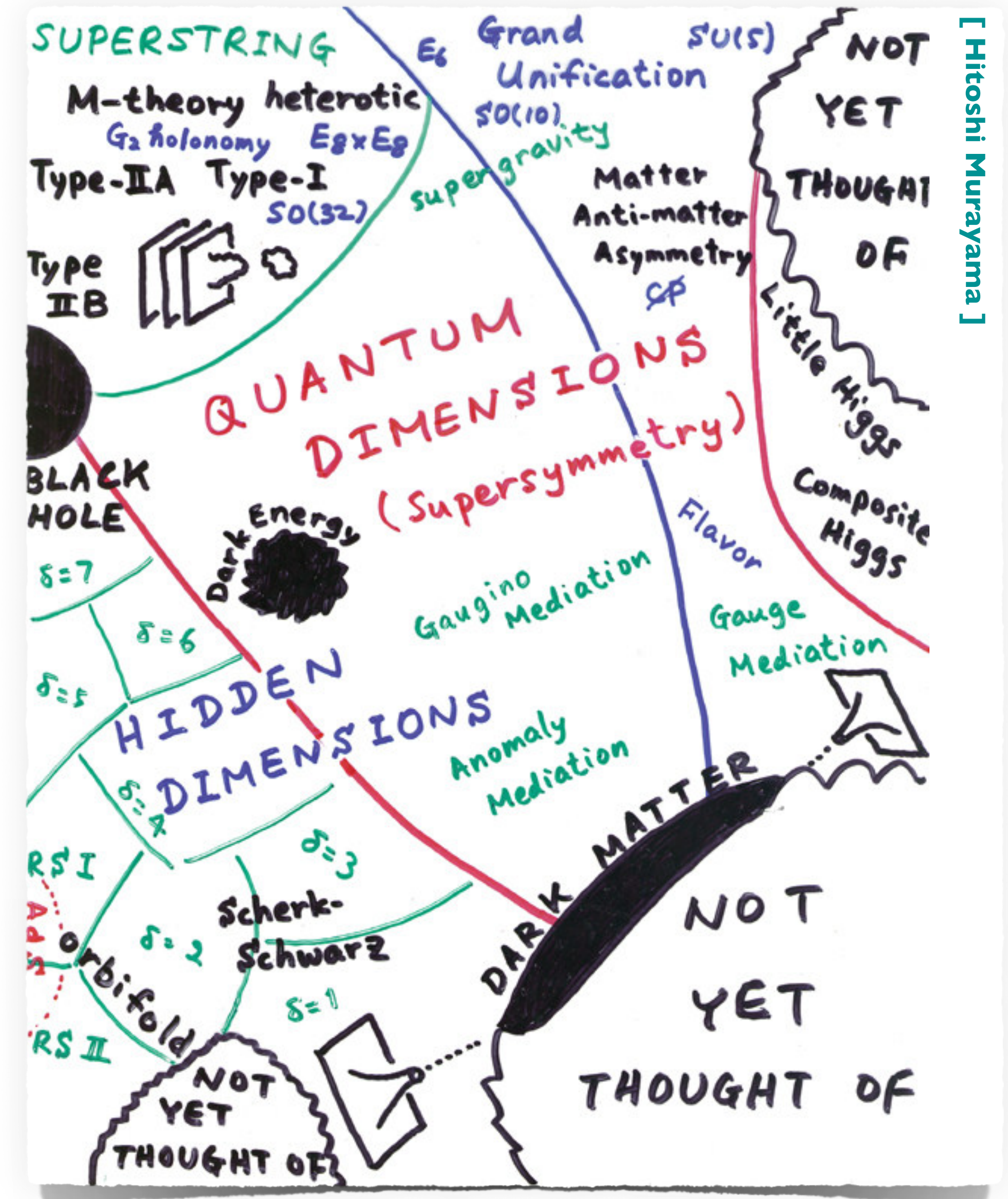
- Naturalness of the theory / hierarchy problem
- Neutrino masses
- Dark matter
- Gauge structure of the theory
- Origins of CP violation
- Matter/antimatter asymmetry
- Lepton/quark mixings and masses
- Dark energy
- Four-dimensionality of space-time
- Gravity



# Going beyond the Standard Model?

SM  $\equiv$  tip of the iceberg

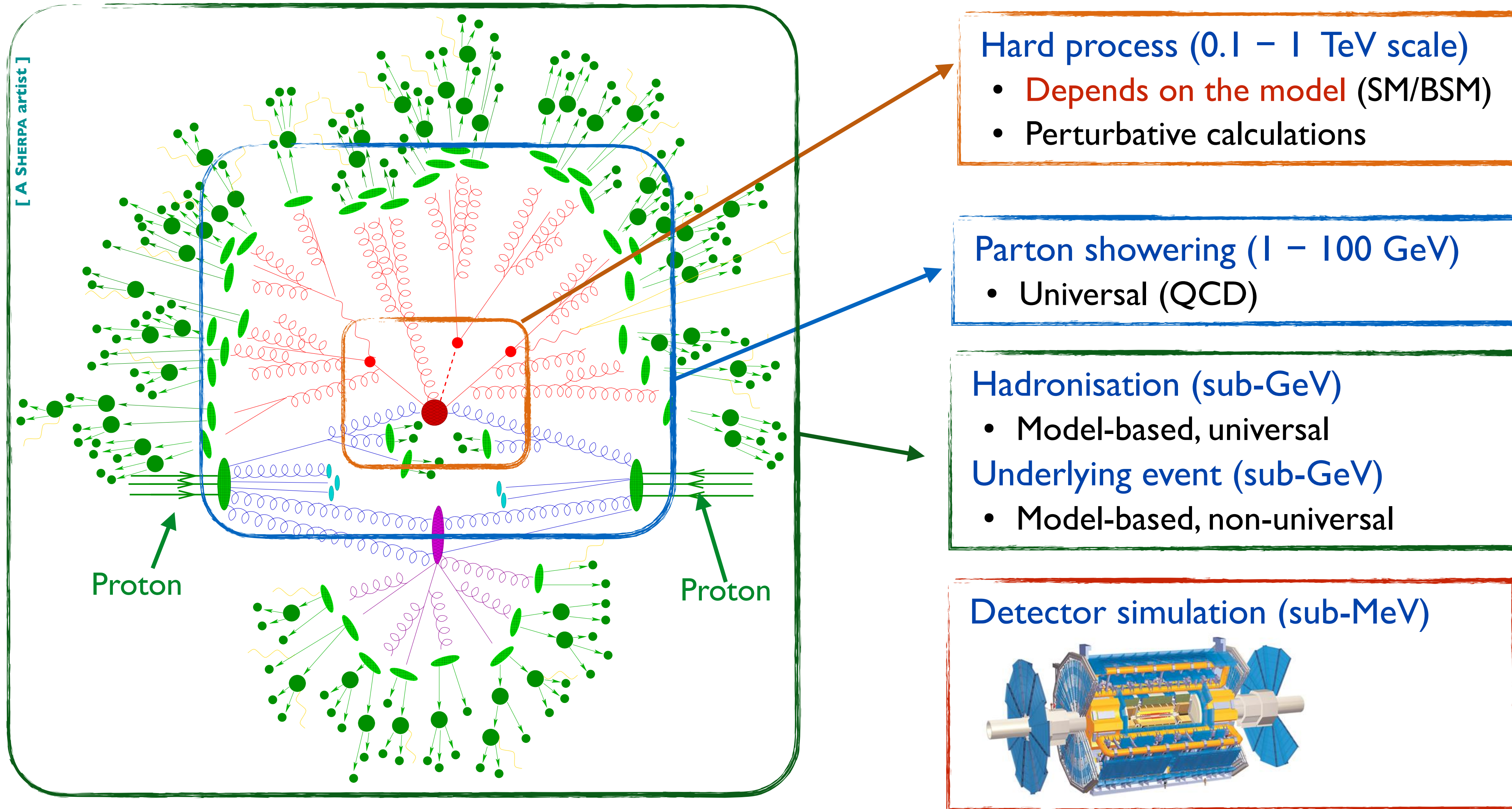
- BSM exploration to solve its issues
- No clear path
  - Dark matter  $\equiv$  (excellent) way
  - Collider signals comprising missing transverse energy





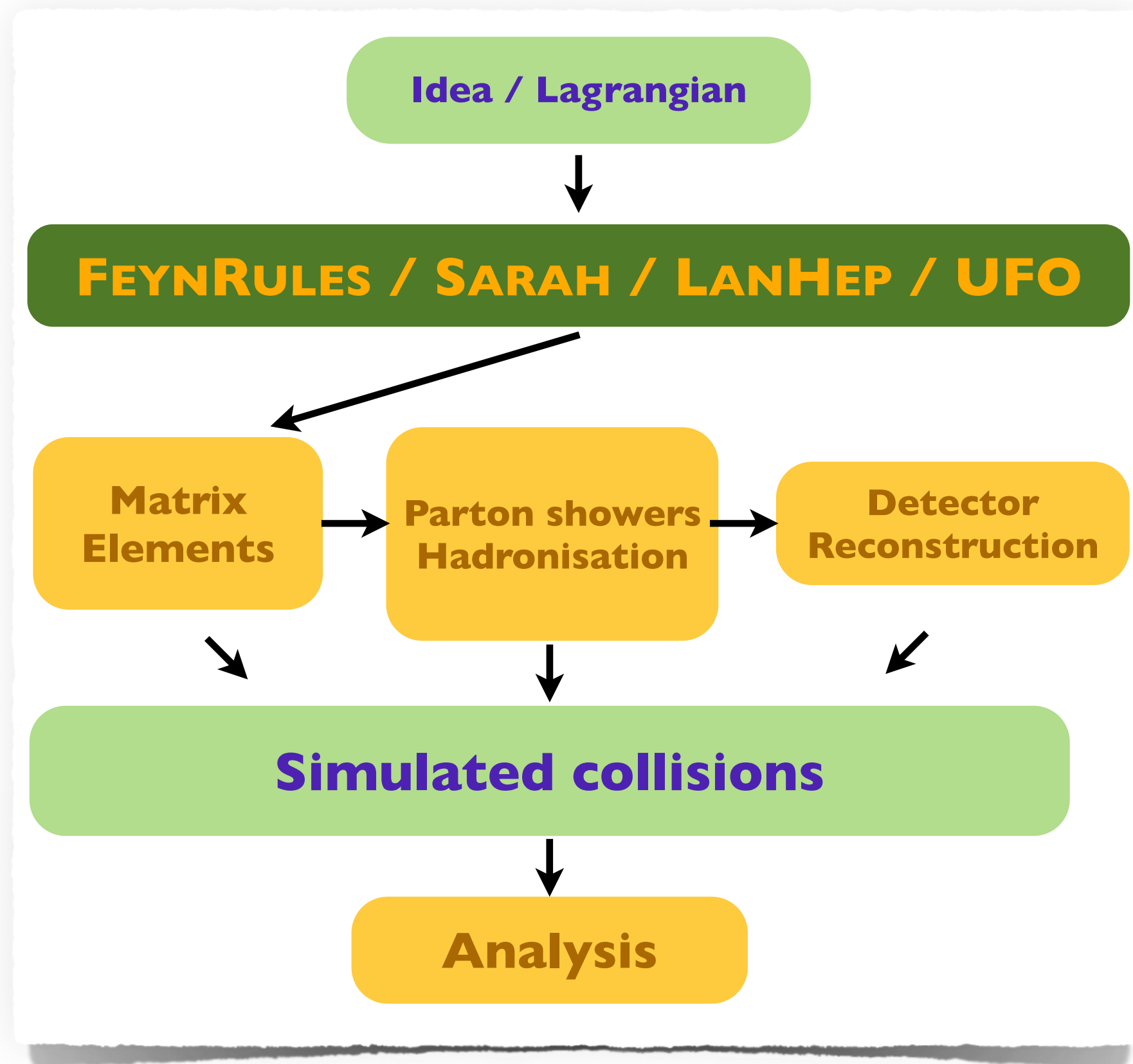
Predictions at  
colliders!

# Deciphering a proton collision



# Connecting ideas to simulations...

[ Christensen, de Aquino, Degrande, Duhr, BF, Herquet, Maltoni & Schumann (EPJC 11) ]



- Model building → FEYNRULES, LANHEP, SARAH UFO
- Hard scattering
  - ★ Feynman diagram and amplitude generation
  - ★ Monte Carlo integration → CALCHEP, HERWIG++, MG5\_AMC, SHERPA, WHIZARD, ...
  - ★ Event generation
- QCD environment
  - ★ Parton showering → HERWIG, PYTHIA, SHERPA
  - ★ Hadronisation
  - ★ Underlying event
- Detector simulation
  - ★ Simulation of the detector response → DELPHES
  - ★ Object reconstruction → RIVET / MADANALYSIS 5 – SFS
- Event analysis
  - ★ Signal/background analysis → RIVET / MADANALYSIS 5
  - ★ LHC recasting

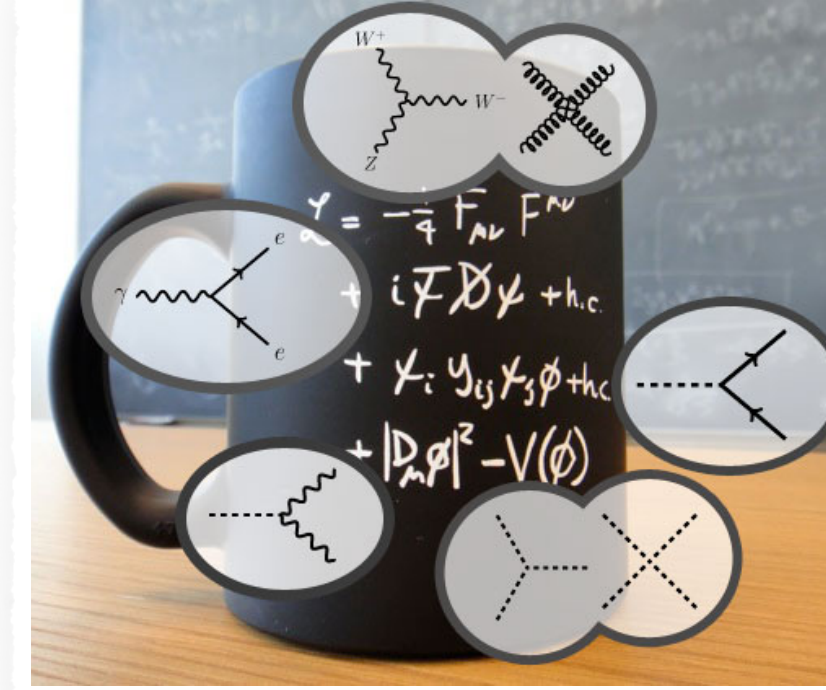
Model  
implementations



# The role of the Lagrangian

## Implementation of a new physics model in an MC programme

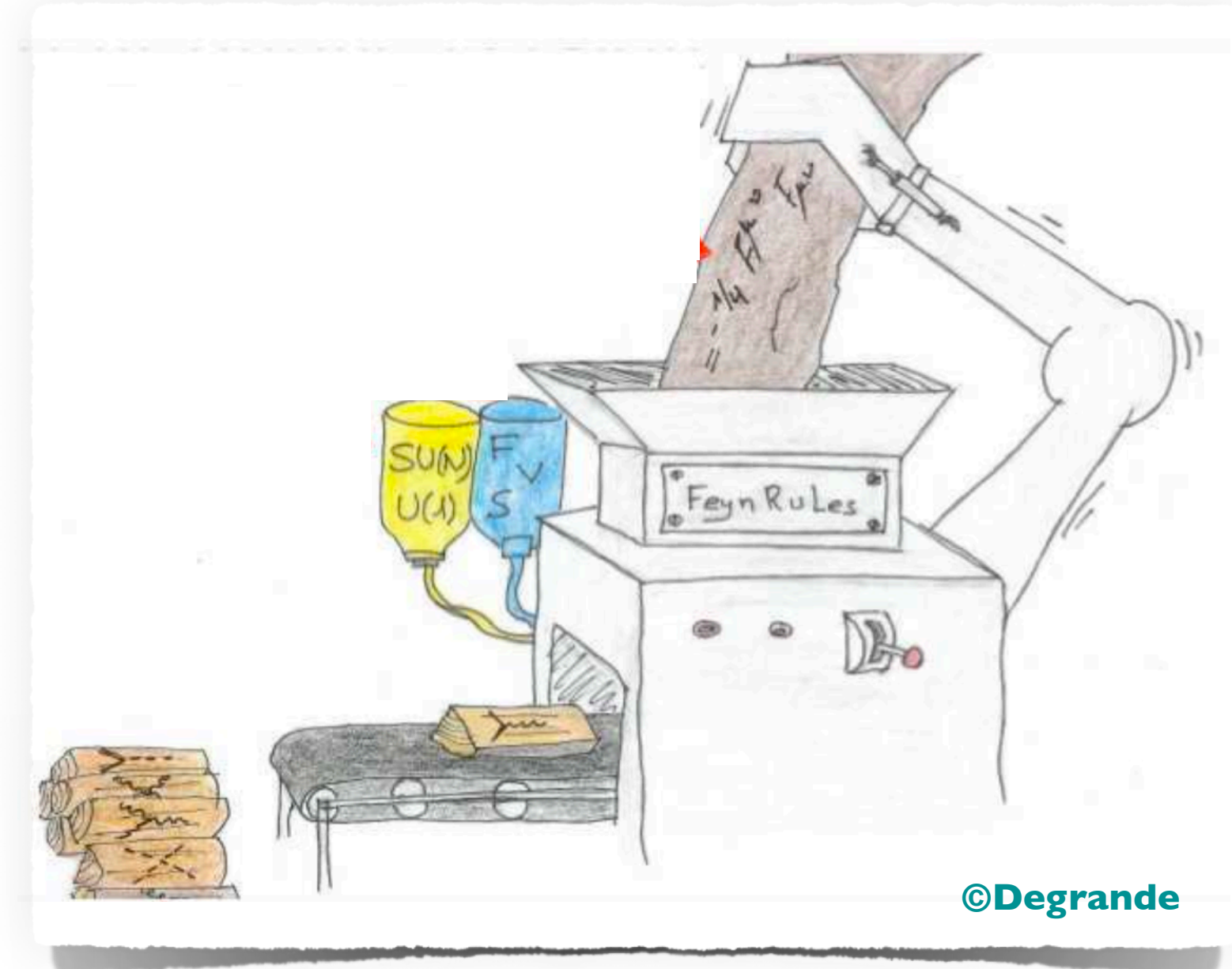
- Definition: particles, parameters and vertices ( $\equiv$  Lagrangian)
  - translated in some programming language
- Tedious, time-consuming, error prone
- Beware of restrictions/conventions



$$\begin{aligned}
 & -\frac{1}{2}\partial_\nu g_\mu^a \partial_\nu g_\mu^a - g_s f^{abc} \partial_\mu g_\nu^a g_\mu^b g_\nu^c - \frac{1}{4}g_s^2 f^{abc} f^{ade} g_\mu^b g_\nu^c g_\mu^d g_\nu^e + \\
 & \frac{1}{2}ig_s^2 (\bar{\psi}_i \gamma^\mu g_j^i) g_\mu^a + \bar{G}^a \partial^2 G^a + g_s f^{abc} \partial_\mu \bar{G}^a G^b g_\mu^c - \partial_\nu W_\mu^+ \partial_\nu W_\mu^- - \\
 & M^2 W_\mu^+ W_\mu^- - \frac{1}{2}\partial_\nu Z_\mu^0 \partial_\nu Z_\mu^0 - \frac{1}{2c_w^2} M^2 Z_\mu^0 Z_\mu^0 - \frac{1}{2}\partial_\mu A_\nu \partial_\mu A_\nu - \frac{1}{2}\partial_\mu H \partial_\mu H - \\
 & \frac{1}{2}m_h^2 H^2 - \partial_\mu \phi^+ \partial_\mu \phi^- - M^2 \phi^+ \phi^- - \frac{1}{2}\partial_\mu \phi^0 \partial_\mu \phi^0 - \frac{1}{2c_w} M \phi^0 \phi^0 - \beta_h [\frac{2M^2}{g^2} + \\
 & \frac{2M}{g} H + \frac{1}{2}(H^2 + \phi^0 \phi^0 + 2\phi^+ \phi^-)] + \frac{2M^4}{g^2} \alpha_h - igc_w [\partial_\nu Z_\mu^0 (W_\mu^+ W_\nu^- - \\
 & W_\nu^+ W_\mu^-) - Z_\nu^0 (W_\mu^+ \partial_\nu W_\mu^- - W_\mu^- \partial_\nu W_\mu^+) + Z_\mu^0 (W_\nu^+ \partial_\nu W_\mu^- - \\
 & W_\nu^- \partial_\nu W_\mu^+)] - ig s_w [\partial_\nu A_\mu (W_\mu^+ W_\nu^- - W_\nu^+ W_\mu^-) - A_\nu (W_\mu^+ \partial_\nu W_\mu^- - \\
 & W_\mu^- \partial_\nu W_\mu^+) + A_\mu (W_\nu^+ \partial_\nu W_\mu^- - W_\nu^- \partial_\nu W_\mu^+)] - \frac{1}{2}g^2 W_\mu^+ W_\mu^- W_\nu^+ W_\nu^- + \\
 & \frac{1}{2}g^2 W_\mu^+ W_\nu^- W_\mu^+ W_\nu^- + g^2 c_w^2 (Z_\mu^0 W_\mu^+ Z_\nu^0 W_\nu^- - Z_\mu^0 Z_\nu^0 W_\mu^+ W_\nu^-) + \\
 & g^2 s_w^2 (A_\mu W_\mu^+ A_\nu W_\nu^- - A_\mu A_\nu W_\mu^+ W_\nu^-) + g^2 s_w c_w [A_\mu Z_\nu^0 (W_\mu^+ W_\nu^- - \\
 & W_\nu^+ W_\mu^-) - 2A_\mu Z_\mu^0 W_\nu^+ W_\nu^-] - g\alpha [H^3 + H\phi^0 \phi^0 + 2H\phi^+ \phi^-] - \\
 & \frac{1}{8}g^2 \alpha_h [H^4 + (\phi^0)^4 + 4(\phi^+ \phi^-)^2 + 4(\phi^0)^2 \phi^+ \phi^- + 4H^2 \phi^+ \phi^- + 2(\phi^0)^2 H^2] - \\
 & g M W_\mu^+ W_\mu^- H - \frac{1}{2}g \frac{M}{c_w} Z_\mu^0 Z_\mu^0 H - \frac{1}{2}ig [W_\mu^+ (\phi^0 \partial_\mu \phi^- - \phi^- \partial_\mu \phi^0) - \\
 & W_\mu^- (\phi^0 \partial_\mu \phi^+ - \phi^+ \partial_\mu \phi^0)] + \frac{1}{2}g [W_\mu^+ (H \partial_\mu \phi^- - \phi^- \partial_\mu H) - W_\mu^- (H \partial_\mu \phi^+ - \\
 & \phi^+ \partial_\mu H)] + \frac{1}{2}g \frac{1}{c_w} (Z_\mu^0 (H \partial_\mu \phi^0 - \phi^0 \partial_\mu H) - ig \frac{2M}{c_w} Z_\mu^0 (W_\mu^+ \phi^- - W_\mu^- \phi^+) +
 \end{aligned}$$

★ Highly redundant (each tool, each model)  
 ★ No-brainer tasks (from Feynman rules to codes)

Systematisation  
Automation

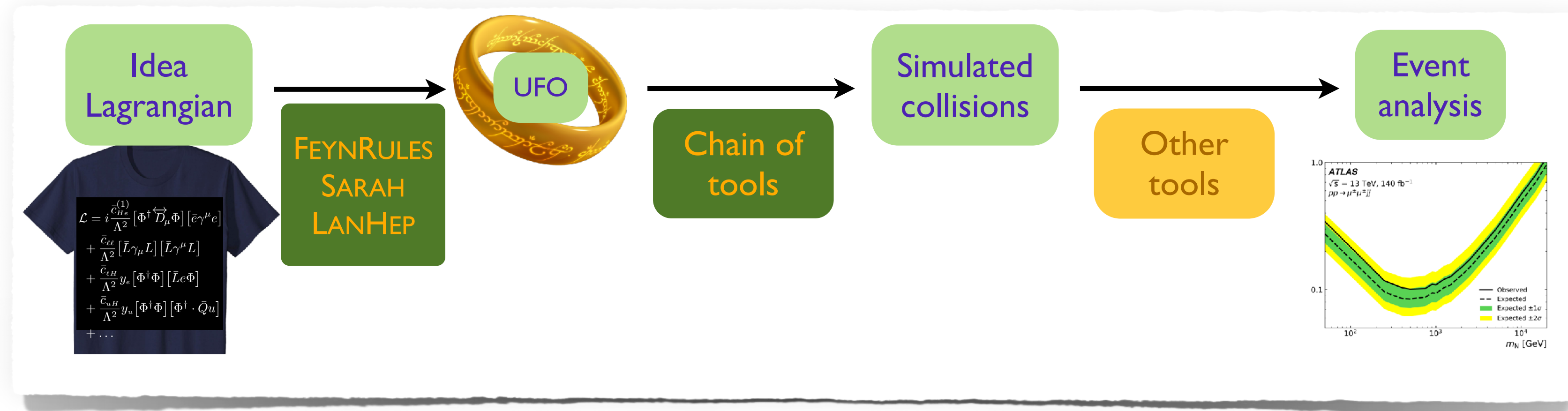




# Interfacing Lagrangians and event generators

## Linking a Lagrangian to a Monte Carlo tool

- Derivation of the model's Feynman rules (vertices, particle content, etc.)
- Interface to event generators
  - ★ **Removal of vertices** not compliant with the tool (colour and Lorentz structures)
  - ★ **Translation** to a specific format and programming language
- The UFO – one format to rule them all
  - ★ Design of a **unique intermediate layer**



# The Universal FEYNRULES Output

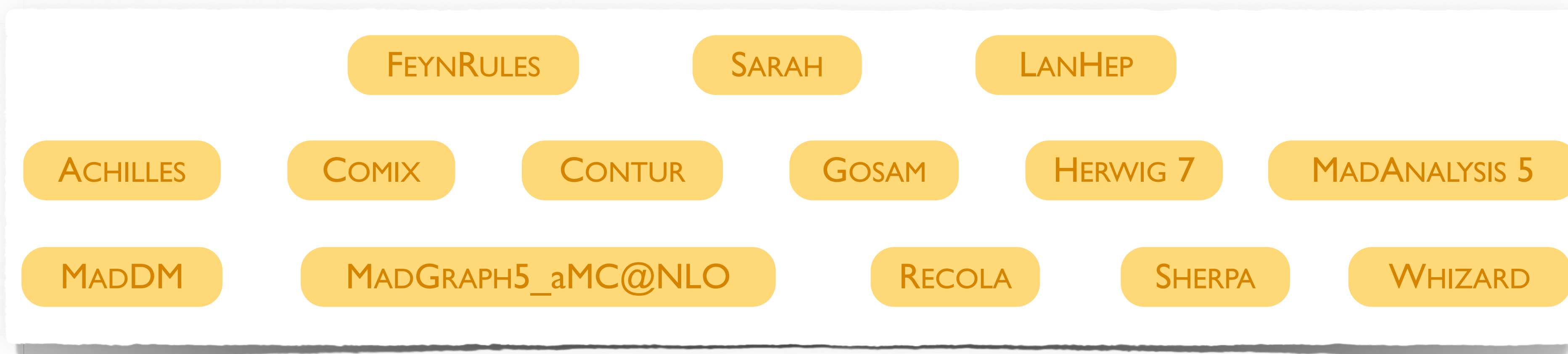
[ Degrande et al. (CPC '12) ]  
[ Darmé et al. (EPJC'24) ]

## The UFO in a nutshell

- UFO  $\equiv$  Universal Feynman Output
  - ★ **Universal** as not tied to any specific programme
- Set of **PYTHON files** to be linked to any code with **full information**
  - ★ Generic colour and Lorentz structures
  - ★ Restrictions on acceptable colour/Lorentz structures enforced at the software level



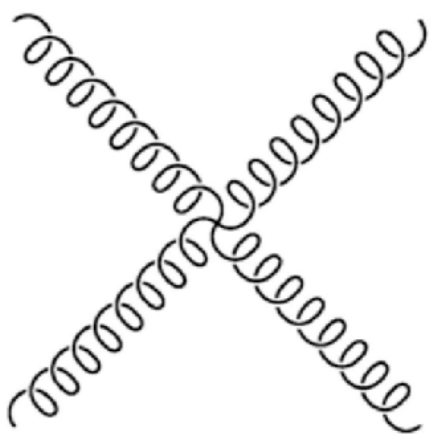
Initially designed as the MG5aMC model format, UFOs now standard



# The UFO: strategy for interactions

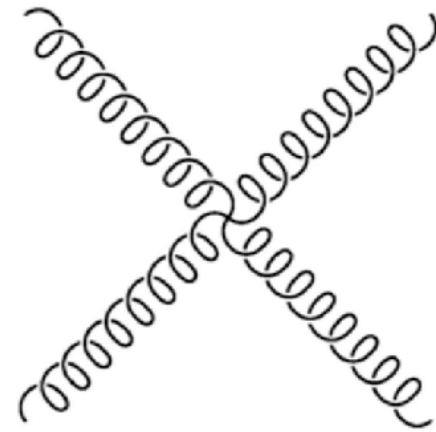
## Decomposition in a **spin x colour** basis (coupling strengths $\equiv$ coordinates)

- Example: the quartic gluon vertex



$$\begin{aligned}
 & ig_s^2 f^{a_1 a_2 b} f^{b a_3 a_4} (\eta^{\mu_1 \mu_4} \eta^{\mu_2 \mu_3} - \eta^{\mu_1 \mu_3} \eta^{\mu_2 \mu_4}) \\
 & + ig_s^2 f^{a_1 a_3 b} f^{b a_2 a_4} (\eta^{\mu_1 \mu_4} \eta^{\mu_2 \mu_3} - \eta^{\mu_1 \mu_2} \eta^{\mu_3 \mu_4}) \\
 & + ig_s^2 f^{a_1 a_4 b} f^{b a_2 a_3} (\eta^{\mu_1 \mu_3} \eta^{\mu_2 \mu_4} - \eta^{\mu_1 \mu_2} \eta^{\mu_3 \mu_4})
 \end{aligned}$$

- UFO version



$$\begin{aligned}
 & (f^{a_1 a_2 b} f^{b a_3 a_4}, f^{a_1 a_3 b} f^{b a_2 a_4}, f^{a_1 a_4 b} f^{b a_2 a_3}) \\
 & \times \begin{pmatrix} ig_s^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & ig_s^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & ig_s^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \eta^{\mu_1 \mu_4} \eta^{\mu_2 \mu_3} - \eta^{\mu_1 \mu_3} \eta^{\mu_2 \mu_4} \\ \eta^{\mu_1 \mu_4} \eta^{\mu_2 \mu_3} - \eta^{\mu_1 \mu_2} \eta^{\mu_3 \mu_4} \\ \eta^{\mu_1 \mu_3} \eta^{\mu_2 \mu_4} - \eta^{\mu_1 \mu_2} \eta^{\mu_3 \mu_4} \end{pmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

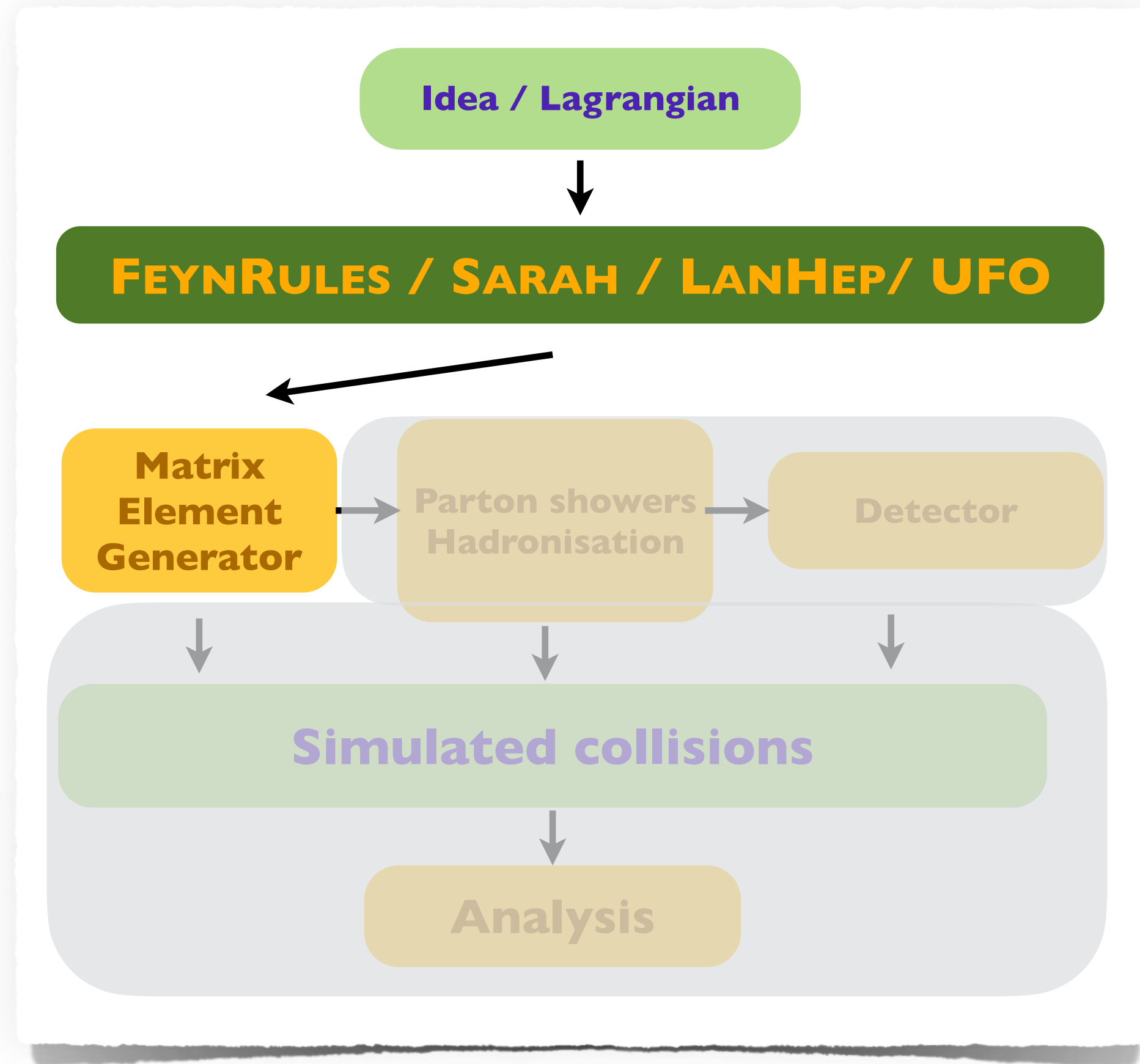
- ★ 3 elements for the colour basis
- ★ 3 elements for the spin (Lorentz structure) basis
- ★ 9 coordinates (6 are zero, only 1 encoded)
- ★ Efficient coding in PYTHON



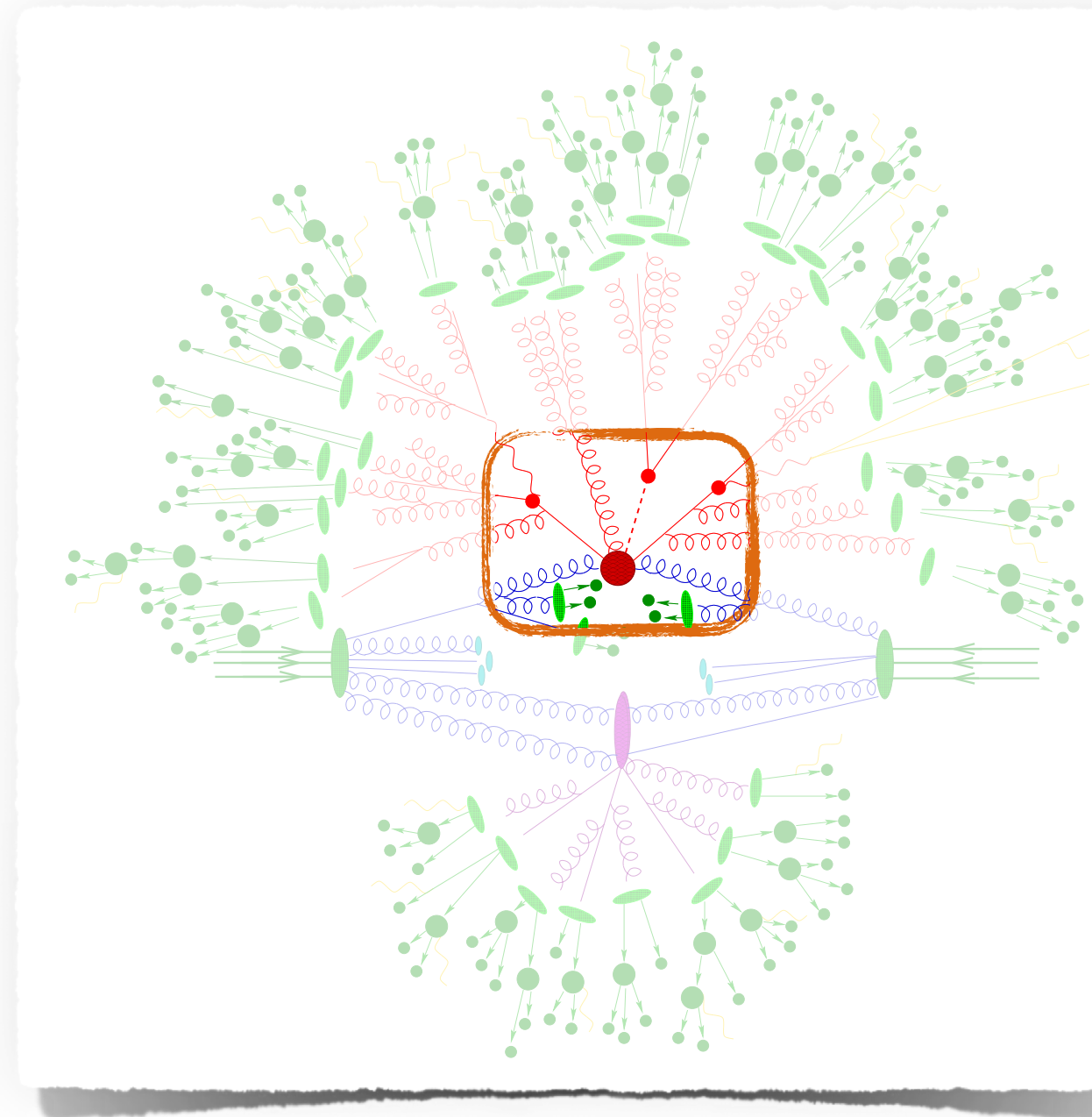
# Connecting ideas to simulations...

[ Christensen, de Aquino, Degrande, Duhr, BF, Herquet, Maltoni & Schumann (EPJC 11) ]

## Connecting ideas to simulations (and cross section calculations)



- Model building
- **Hard scattering**
  - ★ Feynman diagram and amplitude generation
  - ★ Monte Carlo integration
  - ★ Event generation



### Goals:

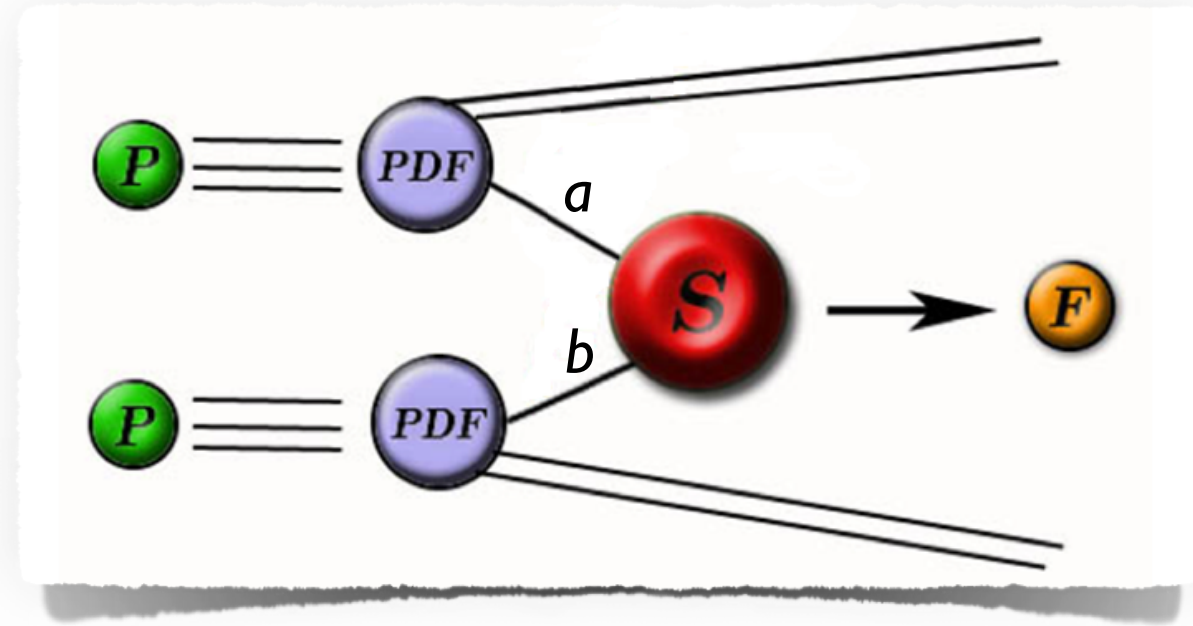
- cross section calculations
- event generation

Feynman diagrams



# QCD 101: predictions at the LHC

Distribution of an observable  $\omega$ : the QCD factorisation theorem



$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\omega} = \sum_{a,b} \int dx_a dx_b d\Phi_n f_{a/p}(x_a; \mu_F) f_{b/p}(x_b; \mu_F) \frac{1}{2s} |\overline{\mathcal{M}}|^2(s; \mu_F, \mu_R) \mathcal{O}_\omega(\Phi_n)$$

- Long distance physics: **the parton densities**
- Short distance physics: the differential parton cross section  $d\sigma_{ab}$
- **Separation of both regimes through the factorisation scale  $\mu_F$** 
  - ★ Choice of the scale  $\rightarrow$  theoretical uncertainties
- Sum over all final state configurations and all options for the initial state
  - ★ **Phase space integration** of the matrix element
    - $\rightarrow$  Highly-dimensional integral ( $3n-2$  integrals  $\equiv n$ -body final state)
    - $\rightarrow$  Phase space structure  $\equiv$  analytical calculations hopeless

## 3 ingredients for cross section calculations

- Parton densities
- Matrix element
- Numerical Integration

# Parton densities

## Long distance physics: parton densities

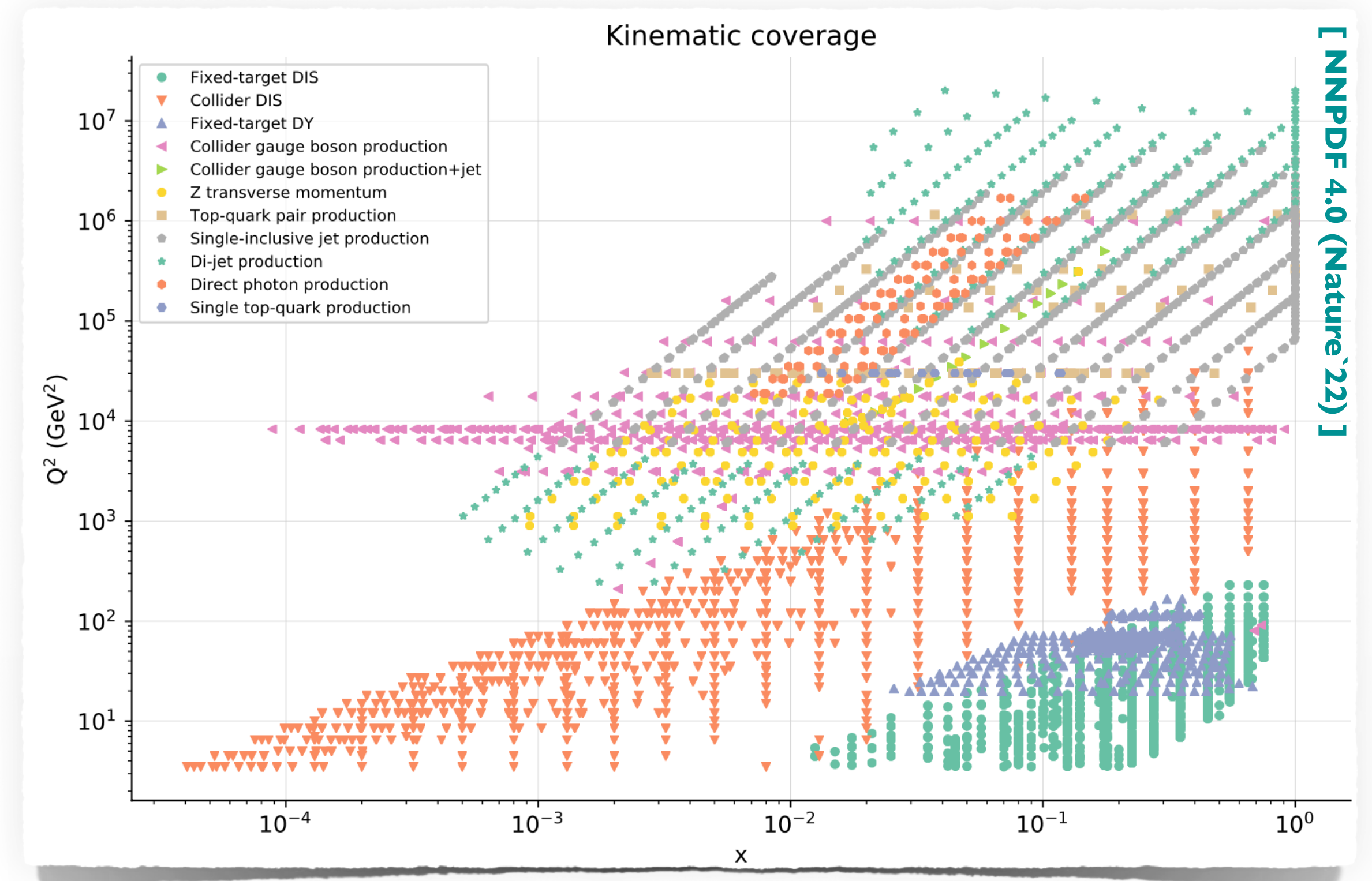
- Relation of protons to their quark and gluon content
- Dependence on the **momentum fraction  $x$**  of the parton in the proton
- Dependence on a **scale  $Q$**  → new physics at large scale

## In practice

- Fitted from experimental data [in some regime  $(x, Q)$ ]
- Evolution driven by QCD (DGLAP/BFKL)  
→ **PDFs for any  $(x, Q)$  obtained from the fit**

## PDF ↔ dominant initial-states

- Huge gluon luminosity at small  $x$  (LHC)
- Large valence luminosity at large  $x$  (LHC)





# Partonic cross sections

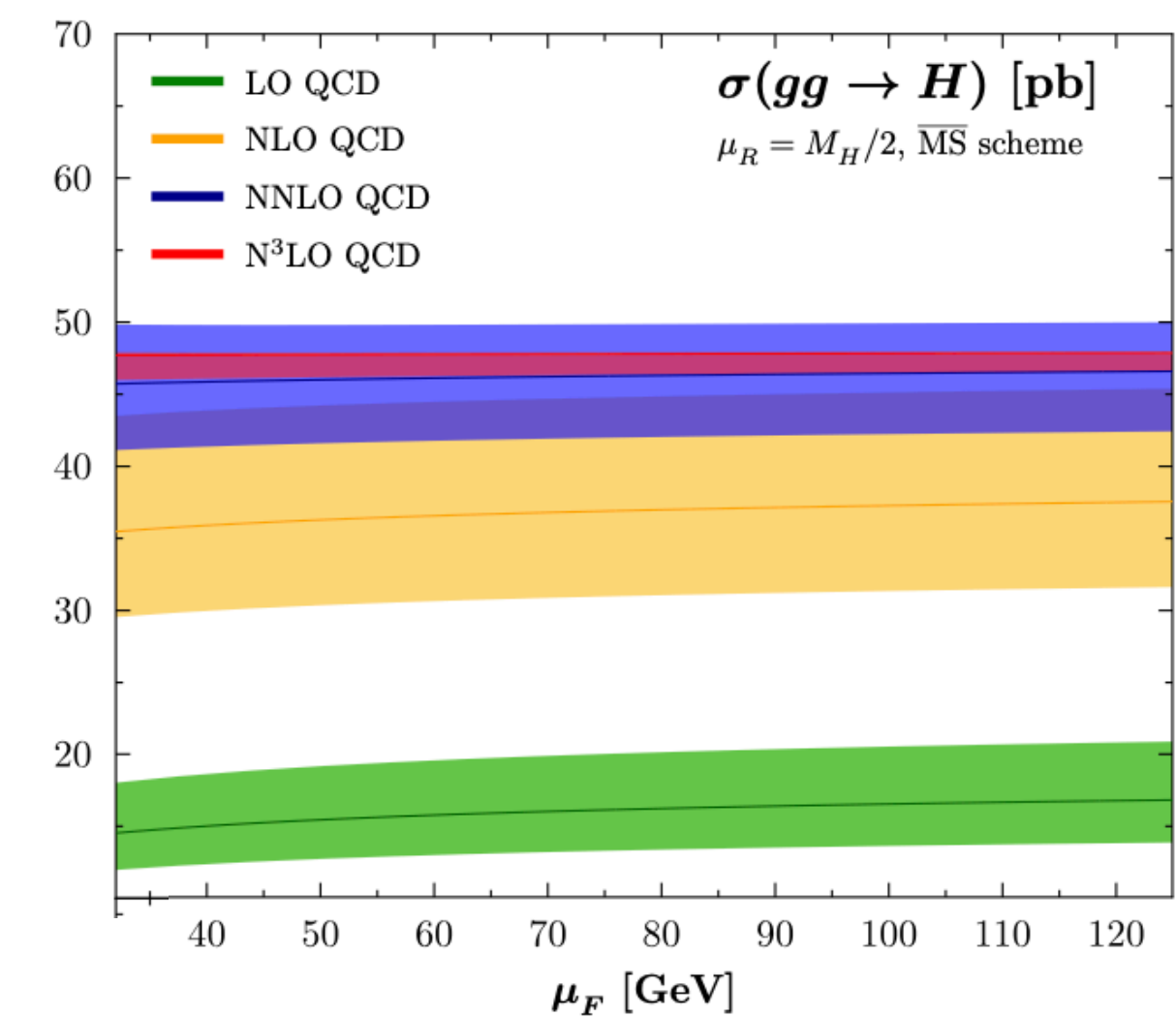
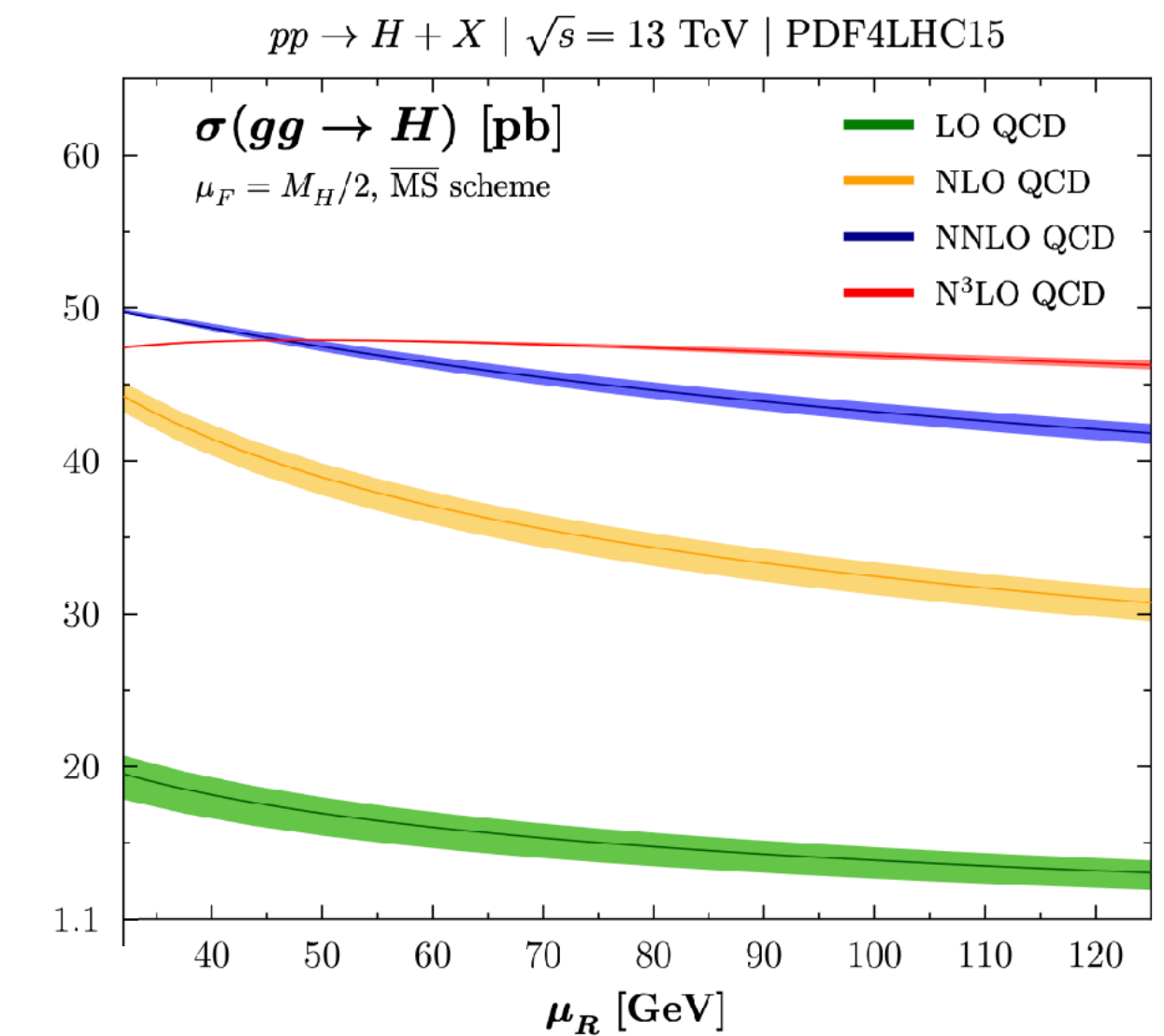
## Short distance physics: the partonic cross section

- Calculated **order by order in perturbative QCD**:  $d\sigma = d\sigma^{(0)} + \alpha_s d\sigma^{(1)} + \dots$ 
  - ★ Perturbative series: coupling  $\equiv$  expansion parameter
  - ★ More orders included  $\rightarrow$  more precise predictions
  - ★ Truncation of the series and  $\alpha_s \rightarrow$  theoretical uncertainties  
[renormalisation and factorisation scales]

## Predictions at leading order (LO)

- Uncertainties mainly on the normalisation (total cross section)  
 $\rightarrow$  reduction of the uncertainties through NLO/NNLO corrections
- Good enough for shapes (at least after using multiparton merging)

[ Baglio, Duhr, Mistlberger & Szafron (JHEP'22) ]



# Feynman diagram calculations

Matrix elements computed from Feynman diagrams (amplitudes)

- Drawing of **all diagrams** for a given process
- Extraction of the amplitude from the Feynman rules

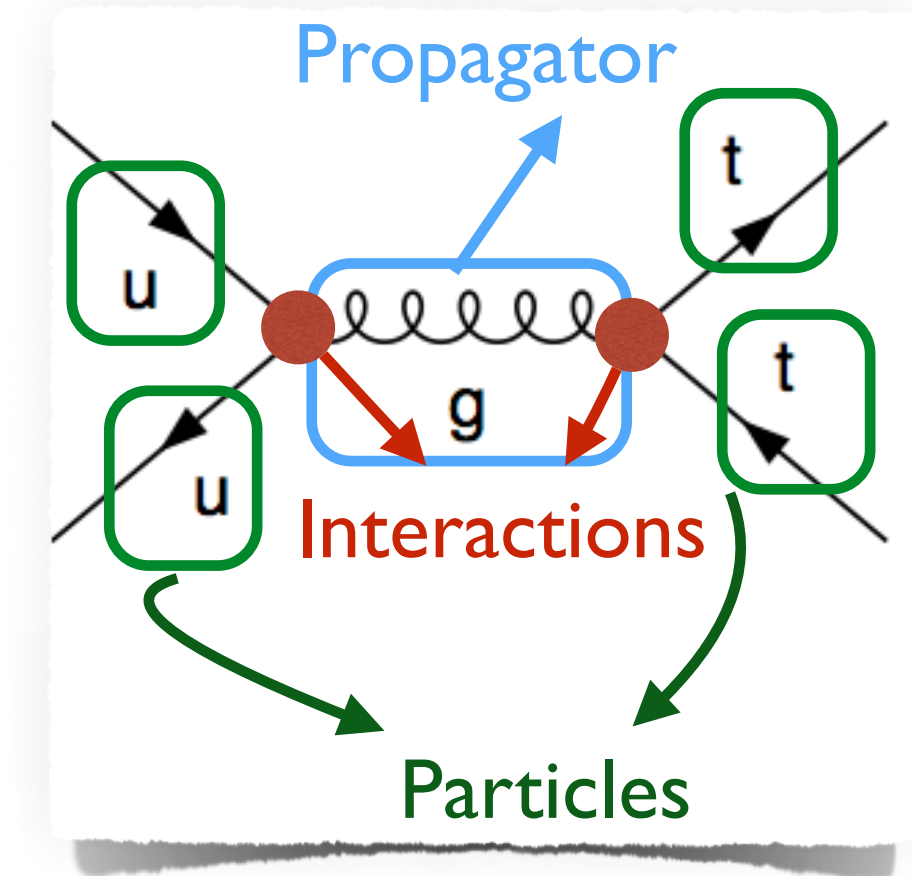
A simple example: top-antitop production from quarks

- One single diagram

$$i\mathcal{M} = ig_s^2 \left[ \bar{v}_2 \gamma^\mu u_1 \right] \left[ \frac{\eta_{\mu\nu}}{s} \right] \left[ \bar{u}_3 \gamma^\nu v_4 \right] T_{c_2 c_1}^a T_{c_3 c_4}^a$$

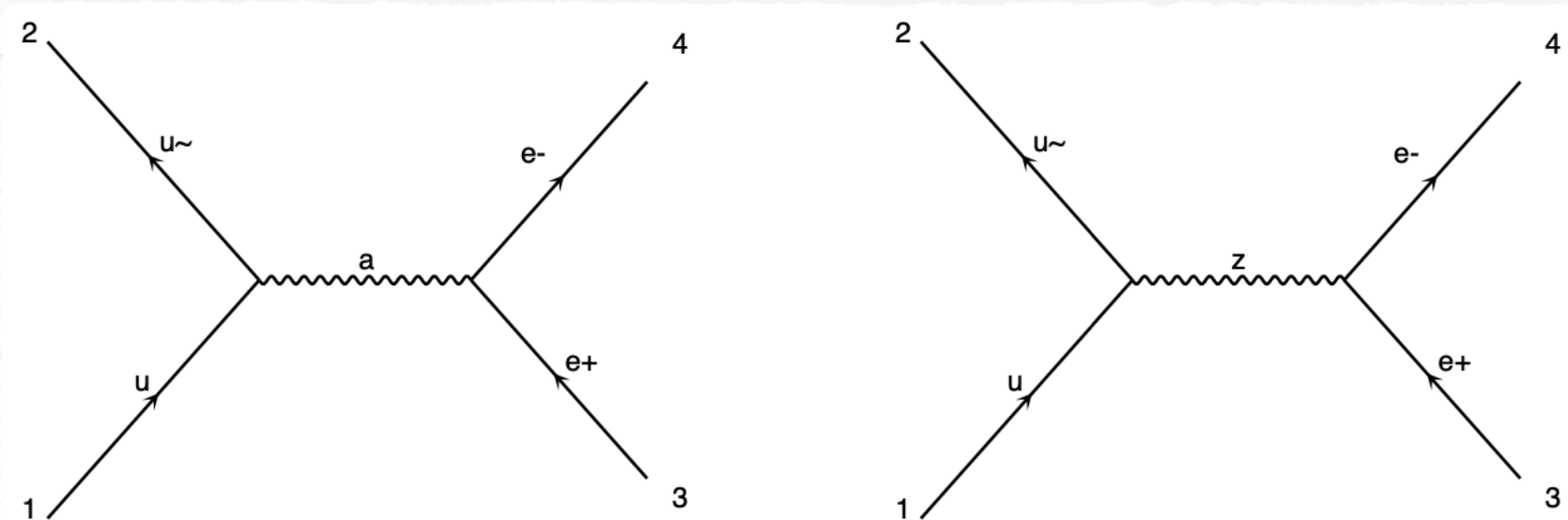
- Squaring with the conjugate amplitude
- Algebraic calculation (colour and Lorentz structures)
- Sum/average over the external states

$$\begin{aligned} |\overline{\mathcal{M}}|^2 &= \frac{1}{36} \frac{2g_s^4}{s^2} \text{Tr} \left[ \not{p}_1 \gamma^\mu \not{p}_2 \gamma^\nu \right] \left[ \not{p}_3 \gamma_\mu \not{p}_4 \gamma_\nu \right] \\ &= \frac{16g_s^4}{9s^2} \left[ (p_1 \cdot p_3)(p_2 \cdot p_4) + (p_1 \cdot p_4)(p_2 \cdot p_3) \right] \end{aligned}$$



Standard calculation followed by an efficient phase space integration (compact integrand)

- Drell-Yan process



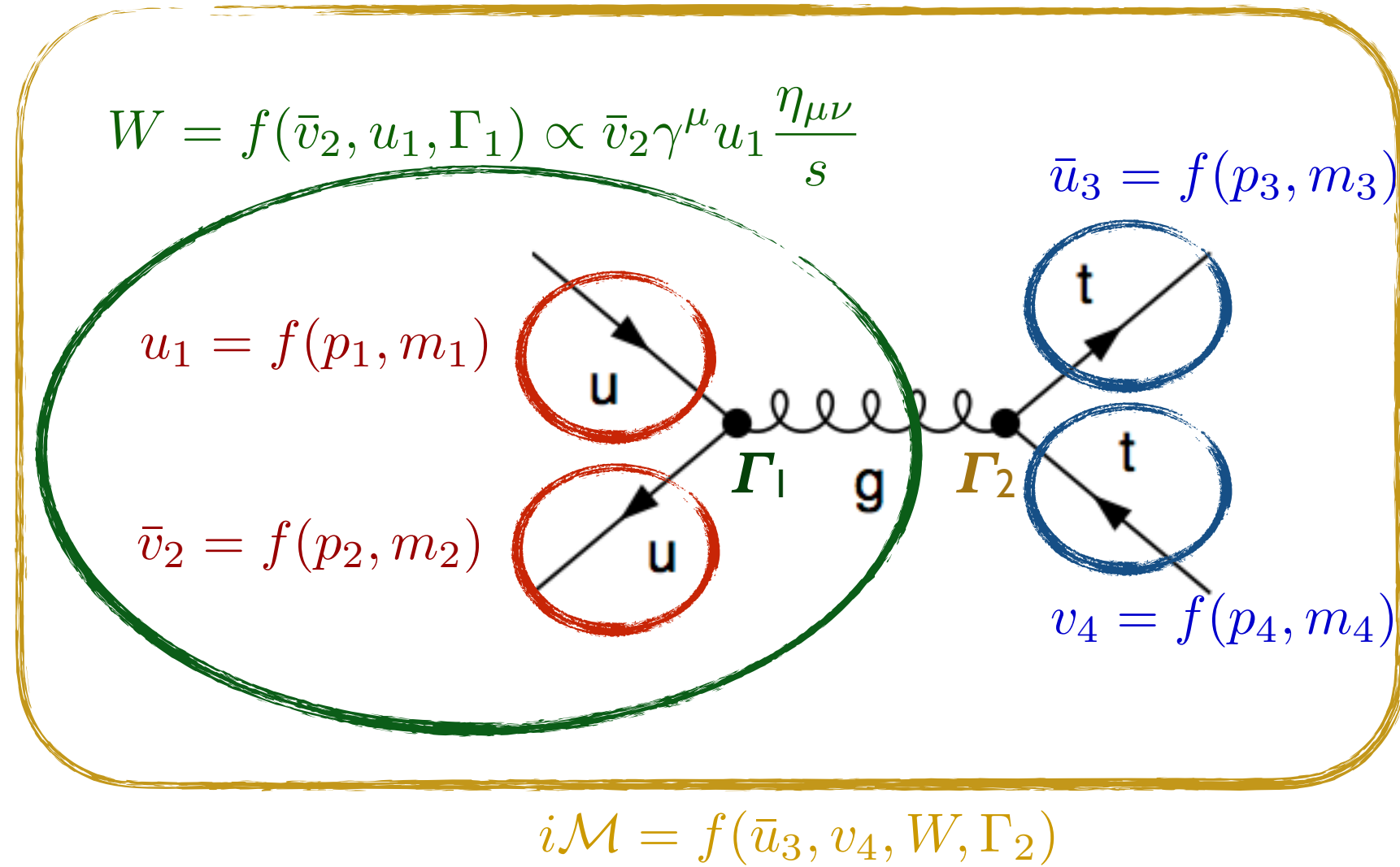
- To compute:  $|M|^2 = |M_\gamma|^2 + |M_Z|^2 + 2\Re\{M_\gamma^* M_Z\}$
- The number of diagrams increases with the number of final-state particles  
 → **Complexity as  $N^2$**
- Any 2-to-4 calculation and beyond  $\equiv$  a problem



# Helicity amplitudes

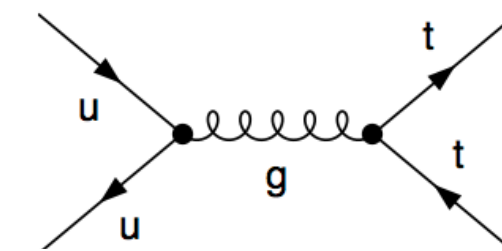
## Principle

- Evaluation of the amplitude for fixed external helicities



1. External incoming particles (numbers)  
→ For fixed helicity and momentum
2. Wave function of the gluon propagator
3. External outgoing particles
4. Full amplitude (complex number)

The building blocks  $\equiv$  so-called HELAS functions



$$u_1 = f(p_1, m_1)$$

$$\bar{v}_2 = f(p_2, m_2)$$

$$\bar{u}_3 = f(p_3, m_3)$$

$$v_4 = f(p_4, m_4)$$

$$W = f(\bar{v}_2, u_1, \Gamma_1)$$

$$i\mathcal{M} = f(\bar{u}_3, v_4, W, \Gamma_2)$$

- Add all amplitudes → single complex number
- Squaring
- Sum/average over the external states

- HELAS  $\equiv$  HELicity Amplitude Subroutine
- One routine / Lorentz structure ( $\Gamma_i$ )
  - ★ SM [ Murayama, Watanabe & Hagiwara (KEK-91-11) ]
  - ★ MSSM [ Cho, Hagiwara, Kanzaki, Plehn, Rainwater & Stelzer (PRD`06) ]
  - ★ HEFT [ Frederix (2007) ]
  - ★ Spin 2 [ Hagiwara, Kanzaki, Li & Mawatari (EPJC`08) ]
  - ★ Spin 3/2 [ Mawatari & Takaesu (EPJC`11) ]
  - ★ Everything (ALOHA)

[ de Aquino, Link, Maltoni, Mattelaer & Stelzer (CPC`12) ]

# Comparison

	For $M$ diagrams	For $N$ particles	$2 \rightarrow 6$ example
Analytical	$M^2$	$(N!)^2$	$10^9$
Helicity	$M$	$N! 2^N$	$10^7$

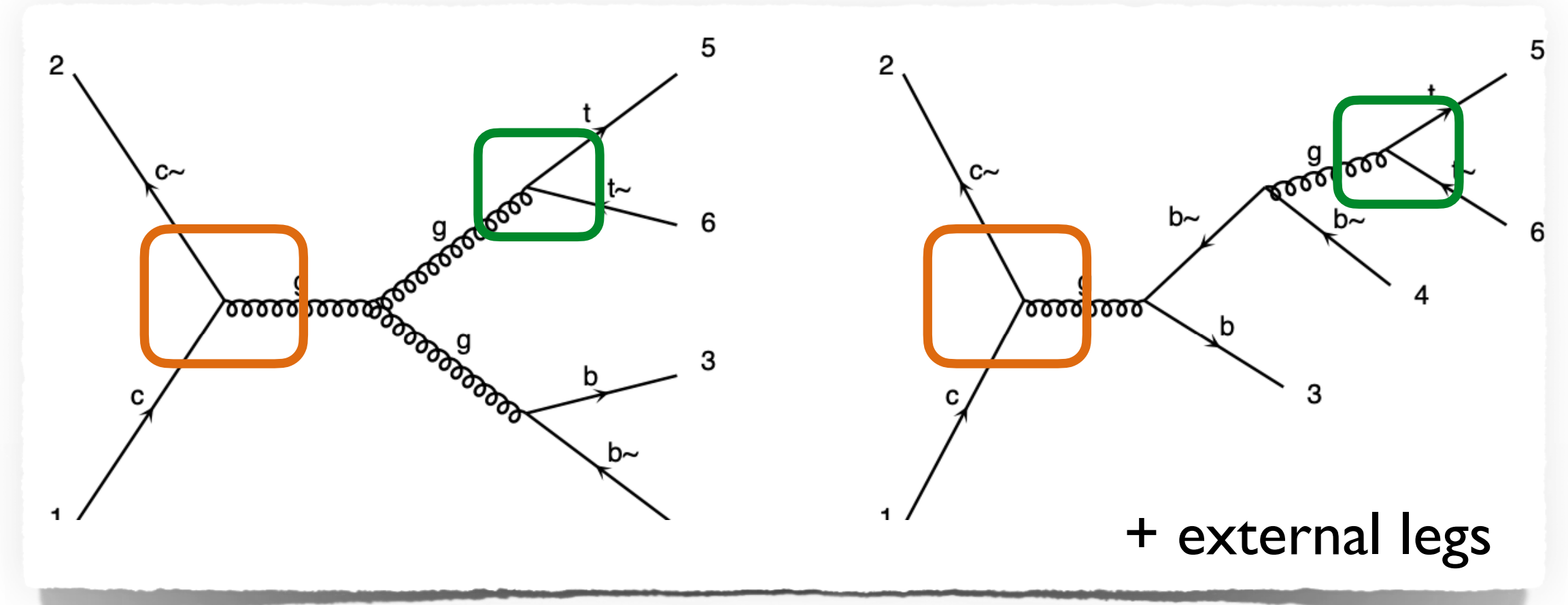
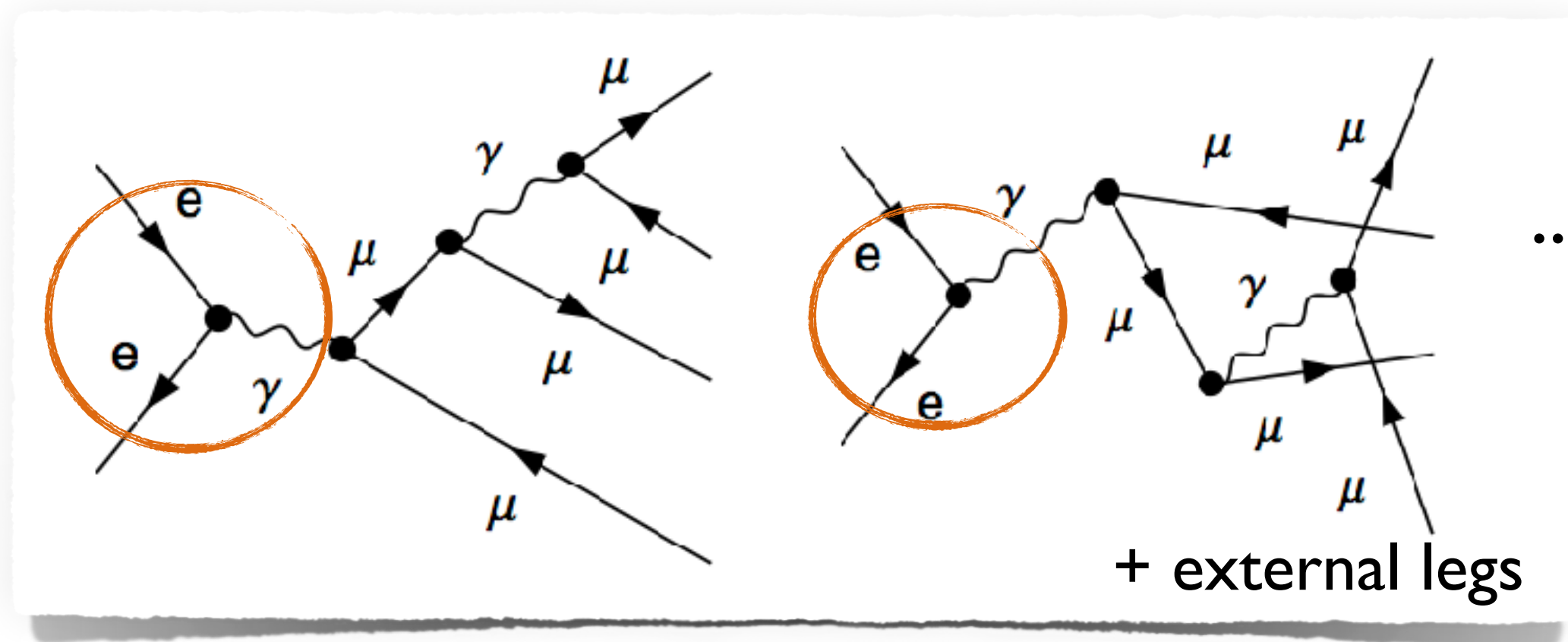
Still a problem...  
Can we do better ?



# Recycling

Recycling: reusing pieces from one diagram to another

- Not recalculating what is already calculated



- Significant gain in computing time

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Analytical	$M^2$	$(N!)^2$	$10^9$
Helicity	$M$	$N! 2^N$	$10^7$
Recycling	$M$	$(N-1)! 2^{N-1}$	$5 \times 10^5$

## Other potential optimisation methods

- Recursion relations, 5D wave functions, etc.
- Several new optimisations in MG5aMC (e.g. helicity recycling)

[ Mattelaer & Ostrolenk (EPJC'21) ]

Now this may  
numerically work!

Phase space integration



# Observable calculations

## The QCD factorisation theorem

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\omega} = \sum_{a,b} \int dx_a dx_b d\Phi_n f_{a/p}(x_a; \mu_F) f_{b/p}(x_b; \mu_F) \frac{1}{2s} |\overline{\mathcal{M}}|^2(s; \mu_F, \mu_R) \mathcal{O}_\omega(\Phi_n)$$

- Any observable  $\rightarrow$  integral calculation needed
- The phase space
  - $\rightarrow$  **highly-dimensional integral** ( $3n-2$  integrals  $\equiv$   $n$ -body final state)
  - $\rightarrow$  complex structure  $\equiv$  analytical calculations hopeless
- The integrand is a **very peaked function** (propagators)
  - $\rightarrow$  Need for general and flexible numerical methods
- Bonus: integration one thing, events another!

## Numerical integration – methods

- Standard methods like trapezium/Simpson very good in 4dims, not in  $D$ -dims
  - $\rightarrow$  Trapezium: precision in  $1/N^{2/d}$
  - $\rightarrow$  Simpson: precision in  $1/N^{4/d}$
- **Monte Carlo** integration saves the day
  - $\rightarrow$  Precision in  $1/\sqrt{N}$

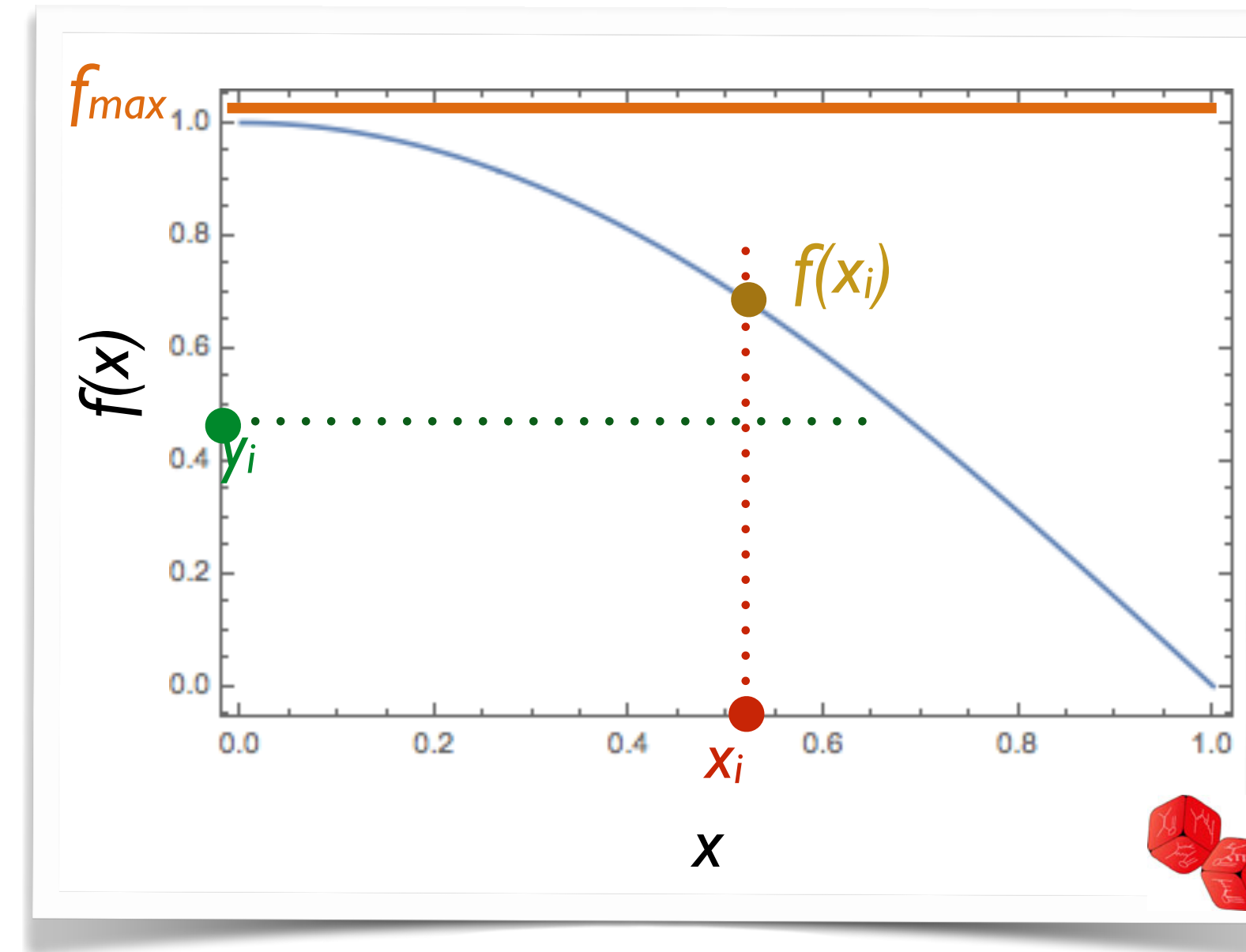
# Monte Carlo integration: the method

The one-dimensional example: evaluate the integral  $I$

$$I = \int_a^b dx f(x)$$

1. Determine  $f_{max} > f(x) \forall x \in [a,b]$
2. At a given step  $i$ ,
  - ★ pick a random point  $x_i \in [a,b]$
  - ★ pick a random number  $y_i < f_{max}$
3. Compare with  $f(x_i)$ 
  - ★ If  $y_i > f(x_i)$ : reject the point
  - ★ If  $y_i < f(x_i)$ : accept the point
4. Evaluate the integral

$$I_N = \frac{N_{\text{accepted}}}{N_{\text{total}}} \mathcal{V} \quad \curvearrowright \quad \text{integration volume}$$





# Monte Carlo integration: the error

## The mean value theorem

- If  $f(x)$  is continuous:

$$\exists \xi \in [a, b] : I = \int_a^b dx f(x) = (b - a)f(\xi) = (b - a)\langle f \rangle$$

- We can approximate  $\langle f \rangle$  by an **averaged sum**

$$I = \int_a^b dx f(x) \approx I_N = \frac{b - a}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N f(x_n)$$

- ★  $\langle f \rangle \equiv$  sampling the integrand at **random points**
- ★ MC method: random choice of points

## The error on the integral $\equiv$ the variance

- **Independent of the number of dimensions**
- **Minimisable**

$$V = (b - a) \int_a^b dx f^2(x) - I^2 \approx V_N = \frac{(b - a)^2}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N f^2(x_n) - I_N^2$$

## Result

$$I = I_N \pm \sqrt{\frac{V_N}{N}}$$

- Error easy to estimate and independent of the number of dimensions
- Improvement possible by **minimising  $V_N$**  (ideal case:  $f(x) = cst \Leftrightarrow V=V_N=0$ )  
→ Change of variables to flatten the integrand

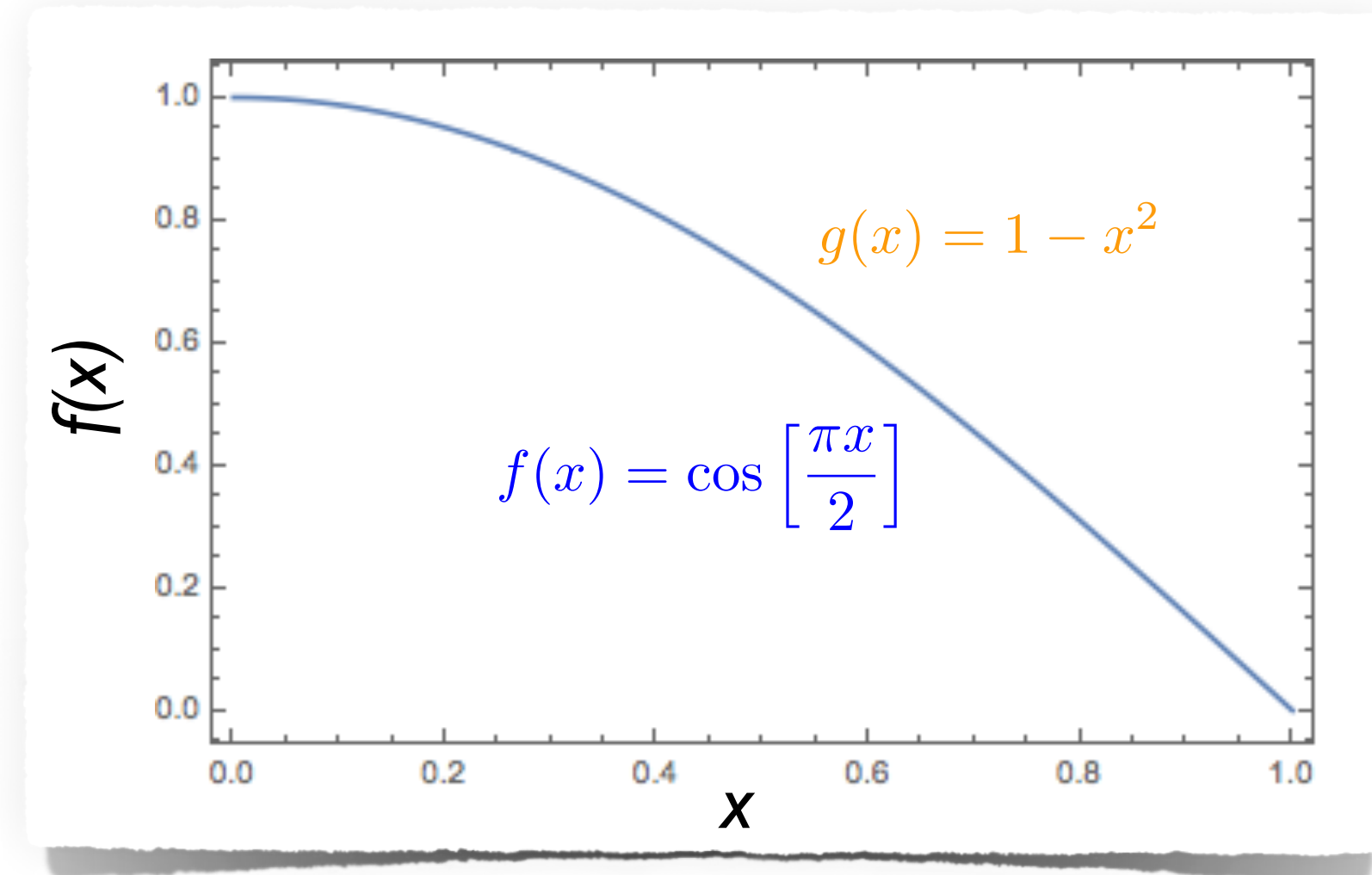
# Importance sampling: a practical example

## Integral to calculate

$$I = \int_0^1 dx \cos \left[ \frac{\pi x}{2} \right] = \frac{2}{\pi} \approx 0.6366$$

$$I_N = 0.637 \pm \frac{0.307}{\sqrt{N}}$$

- Convergence slow
- Precision  $\Rightarrow$  large N
- Strength: scalability with  $N_{\text{dim}}$



## Clever change of variable $\rightarrow$ reduction of the variance

- The ratio  $f(x)/g(x) \approx I$  (ideal case)

$$I = \int_0^1 dx (1 - x^2) \frac{\cos \left[ \frac{\pi x}{2} \right]}{1 - x^2} = \int_{\xi_1}^{\xi_2} d\xi \frac{\cos \left[ \frac{\pi x(\xi)}{2} \right]}{1 - x(\xi)^2} \approx I \quad \text{with} \quad \xi = x - \frac{1}{3}x^3$$

$$I_N = 0.637 \pm \frac{0.031}{\sqrt{N}}$$

$\rightarrow$  Faster convergence

## Phase space parametrisation crucial

- Better convergence

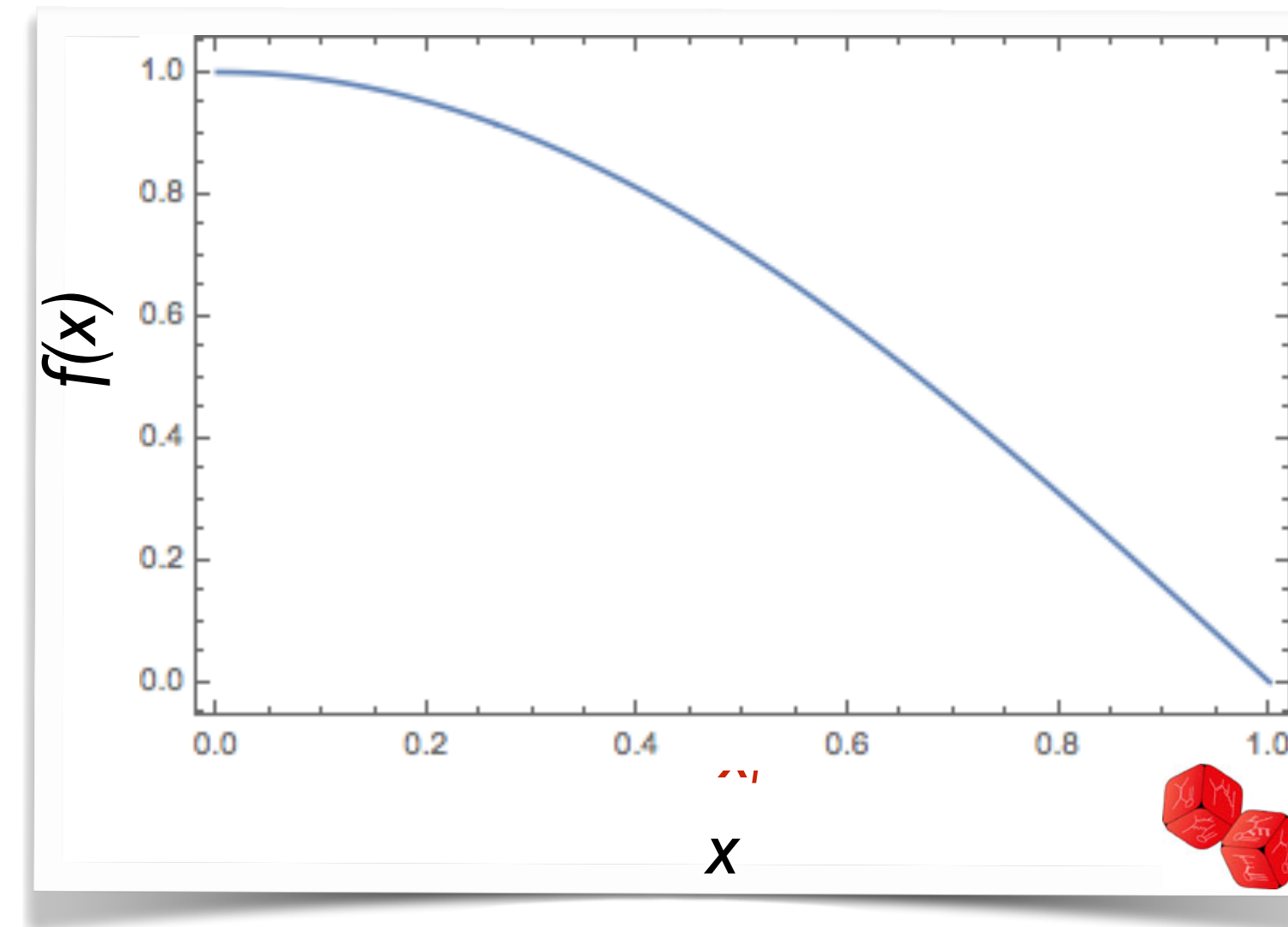
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  - ★ If  $y_i < f(x_i)$ : accept the point

4. Evaluate the integral 
$$I_N = \frac{N_{\text{accepted}}}{N_{\text{total}}} \mathcal{V}$$



More points are sampled where the function is the largest



# Problem of a peaked integrand

## The QCD factorisation theorem

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\omega} = \sum_{a,b} \int dx_a dx_b d\Phi_n f_{a/p}(x_a; \mu_F) f_{b/p}(x_b; \mu_F) \frac{1}{2s} \overline{|\mathcal{M}|^2}(s; \mu_F, \mu_R) \mathcal{O}_\omega(\Phi_n)$$

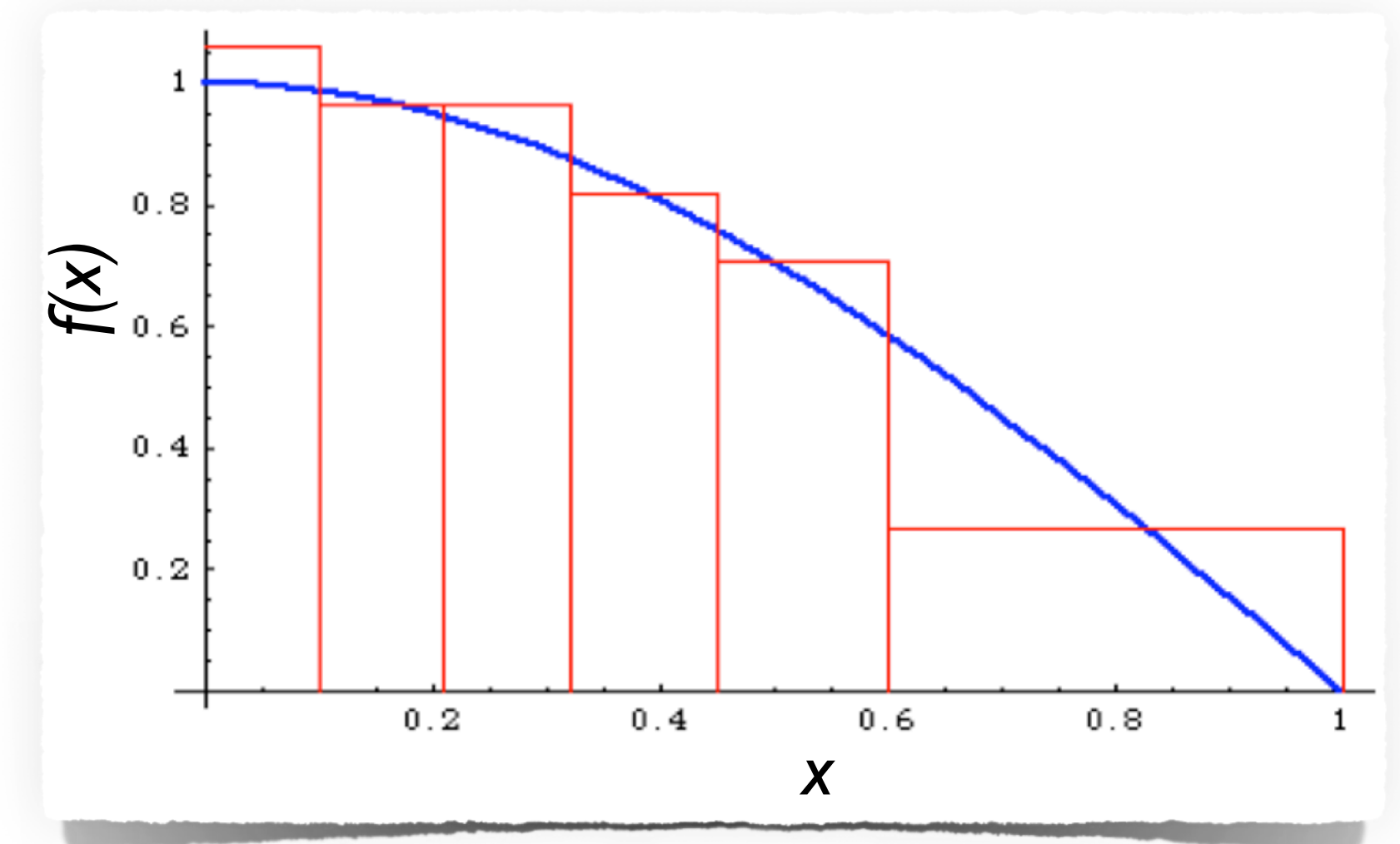
- For each point, we have a weight given by  $f_{a/p}(x_a; \mu_F) f_{b/p}(x_b; \mu_F) \frac{1}{2s} \overline{|\mathcal{M}|^2}(s; \mu_F, \mu_R)$
- Interpretation: each sampled momentum configuration  $\rightarrow$  a weight

## Problem: a peaked integral is peaked ( $\rightarrow$ propagators)

- Random phase space points: very little chance to contribute
  - $\rightarrow$  Few points carry the bulk of the integral
- Flattening the integrand  $\equiv$  change of variables (**importance sampling**)
  - $\rightarrow$  Knowledge about the integrand (to find the supremum function)

## Construction of an approximative function of the integrand

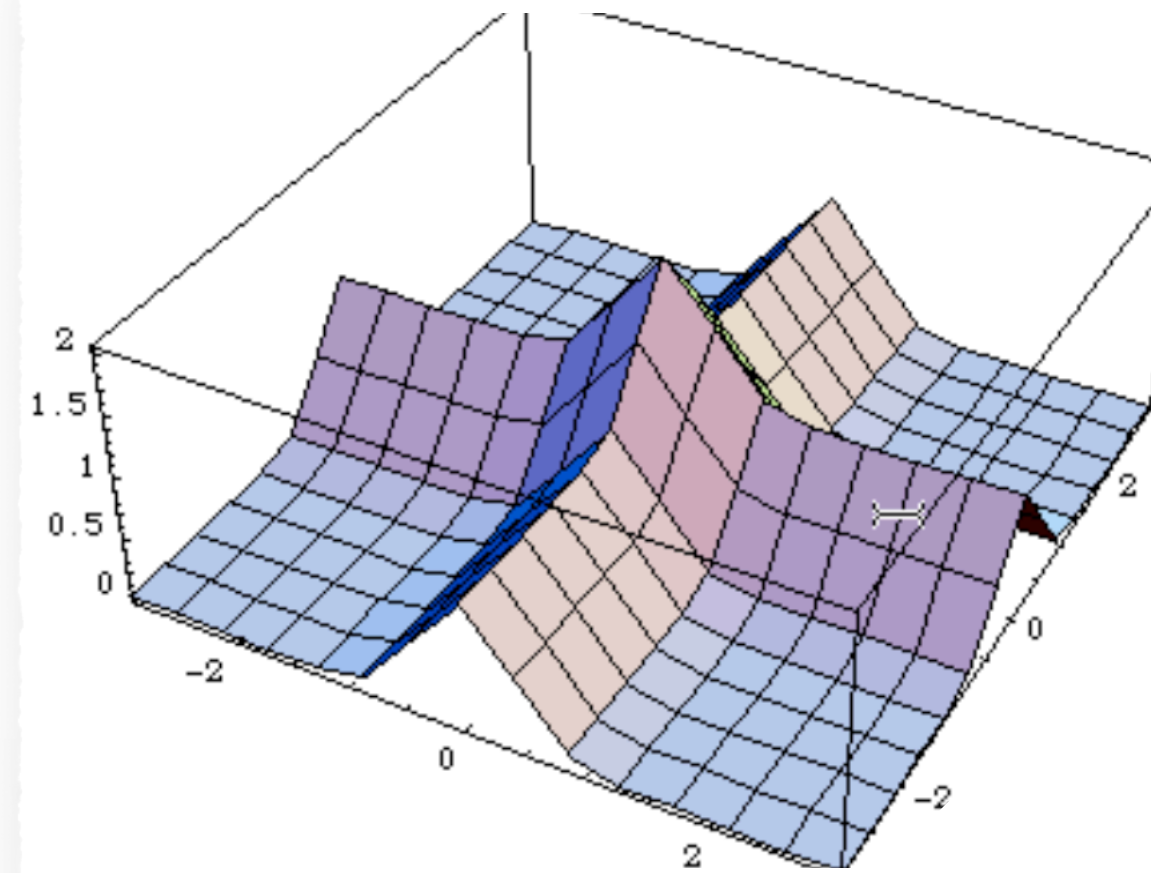
- Division of the integration domain in sub-domains (variable bin-size)
  - ★ Adjustment: identical variance in each bin
    - $\rightarrow$  Many bins where the function is large
  - ★ **Minimisation of the overall variance**
- More bins where the integrand fluctuates more
  - ★ The **binned function**  $\equiv$  **approximation  $g(x)$**  of the integrand



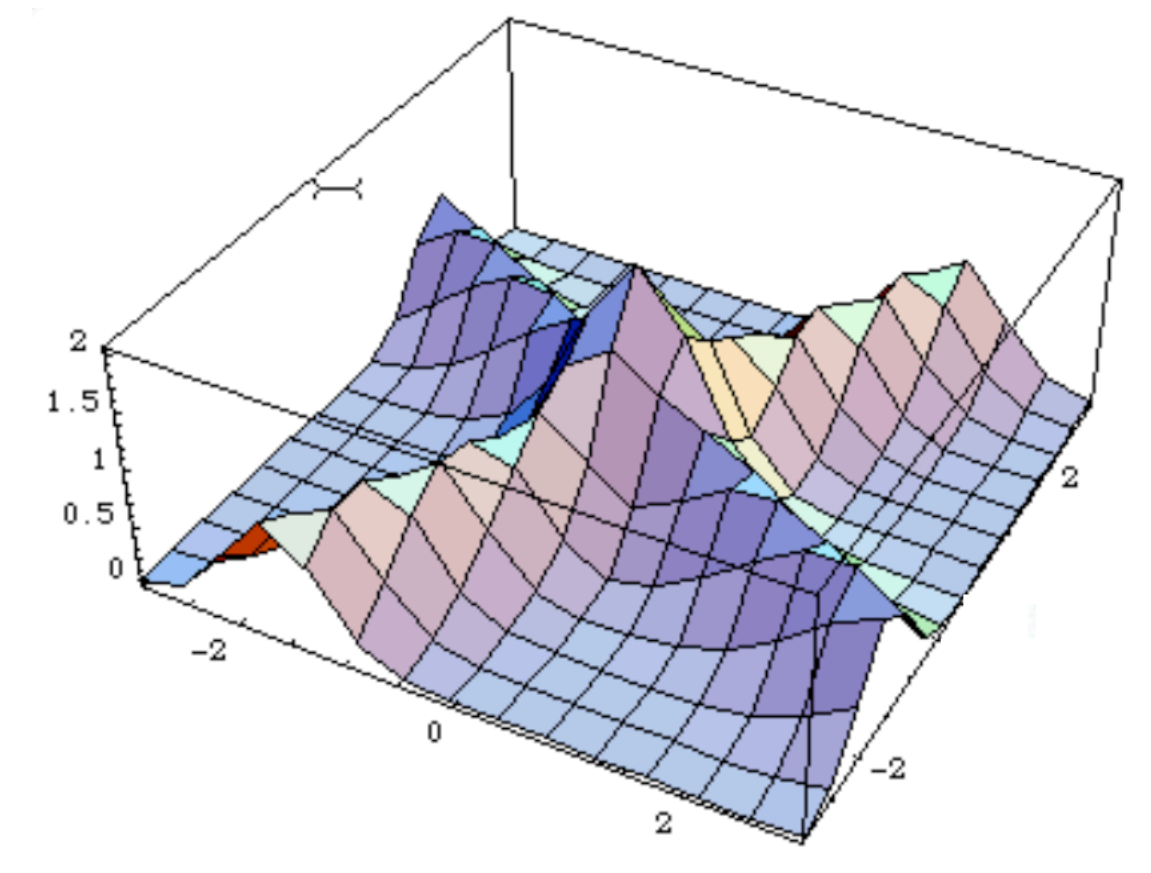
# The VEGAS algorithm

## The VEGAS algorithm

- Relies on 1D integration
- Projections on the various axes to align the integrand  
→ Factorisation of integration variable by variable
- Adaptive sampling → points in 'interesting' domains
- Finding a good rotation crucial  
→ Rarely the case  
→ Multi-channeling



integrand well aligned

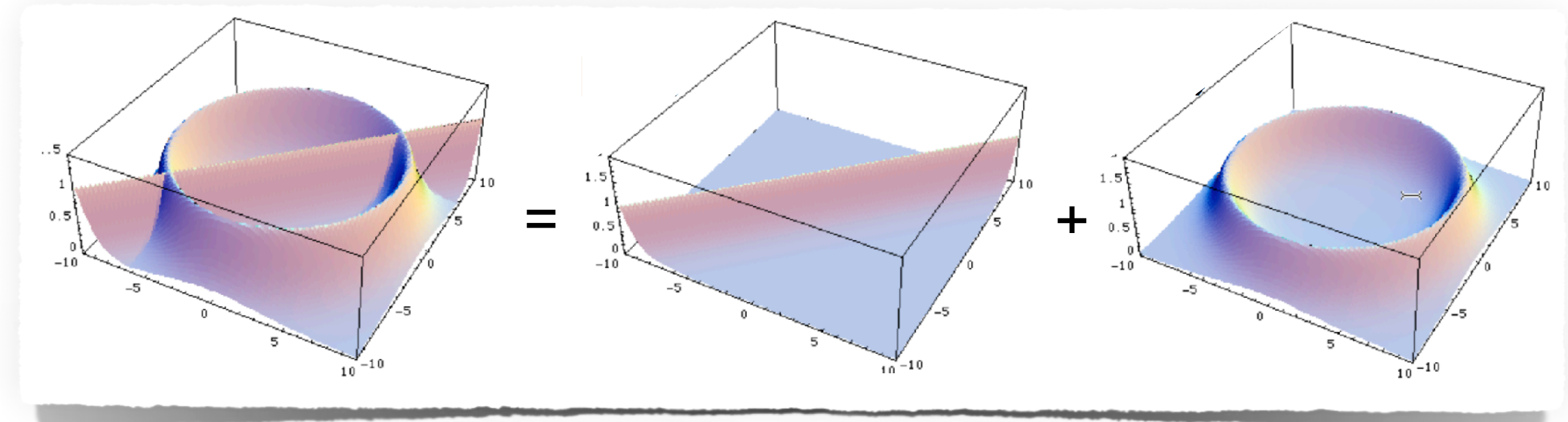


rotation needed

## Multi-channeling

- One rotation per channel

$$g(x) = \sum_{\text{channels}} \alpha_i g_i(x) \quad \text{with} \quad \sum_{\text{channels}} \alpha_i = 1$$



- Each  $g_i$  takes care of one single peak of the integrand

$$I = \int dx f(x) = \int dx \underbrace{\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}}_{\text{importance sampling}} \overset{!}{\approx} \sum_i \alpha_i \int dx \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} g_i(x)$$

multi-channeling

★ Knowledge of the matrix element

# Multi-channel integration: an example

## Top-antitop production: 3 diagrams

$\mathcal{A}_s \propto \frac{1}{s}$

$\mathcal{A}_t \propto \frac{1}{t - m_t^2}$

$\mathcal{A}_u \propto \frac{1}{u - m_t^2}$

$g(x) = \sum_{\text{channels}} \alpha_i g_i(x)$

- Three different pole structures

$$I = \int d\Phi_2 |\mathcal{A}_s + \mathcal{A}_t + \mathcal{A}_u|^2 = \sum_{i=s,t,u} \int d\Phi_2 \frac{|\mathcal{A}_i|^2}{|\mathcal{A}_s|^2 + |\mathcal{A}_t|^2 + |\mathcal{A}_u|^2} |\mathcal{A}_s + \mathcal{A}_t + \mathcal{A}_u|^2$$

The diagram shows the equation with annotations: a red circle around  $|\mathcal{A}_i|^2$  is labeled  $g_i(\Phi)$ , a blue circle around the denominator is labeled  $g(\Phi)$ , and a green circle around the numerator is labeled  $f(\Phi)$ .

★  $f(\Phi) / g(\Phi) \approx 1$

→ Integration easy

→ Integration of one single diagram at a time (pole structure known)

★ Multi-channeling on the basis of the different diagrams



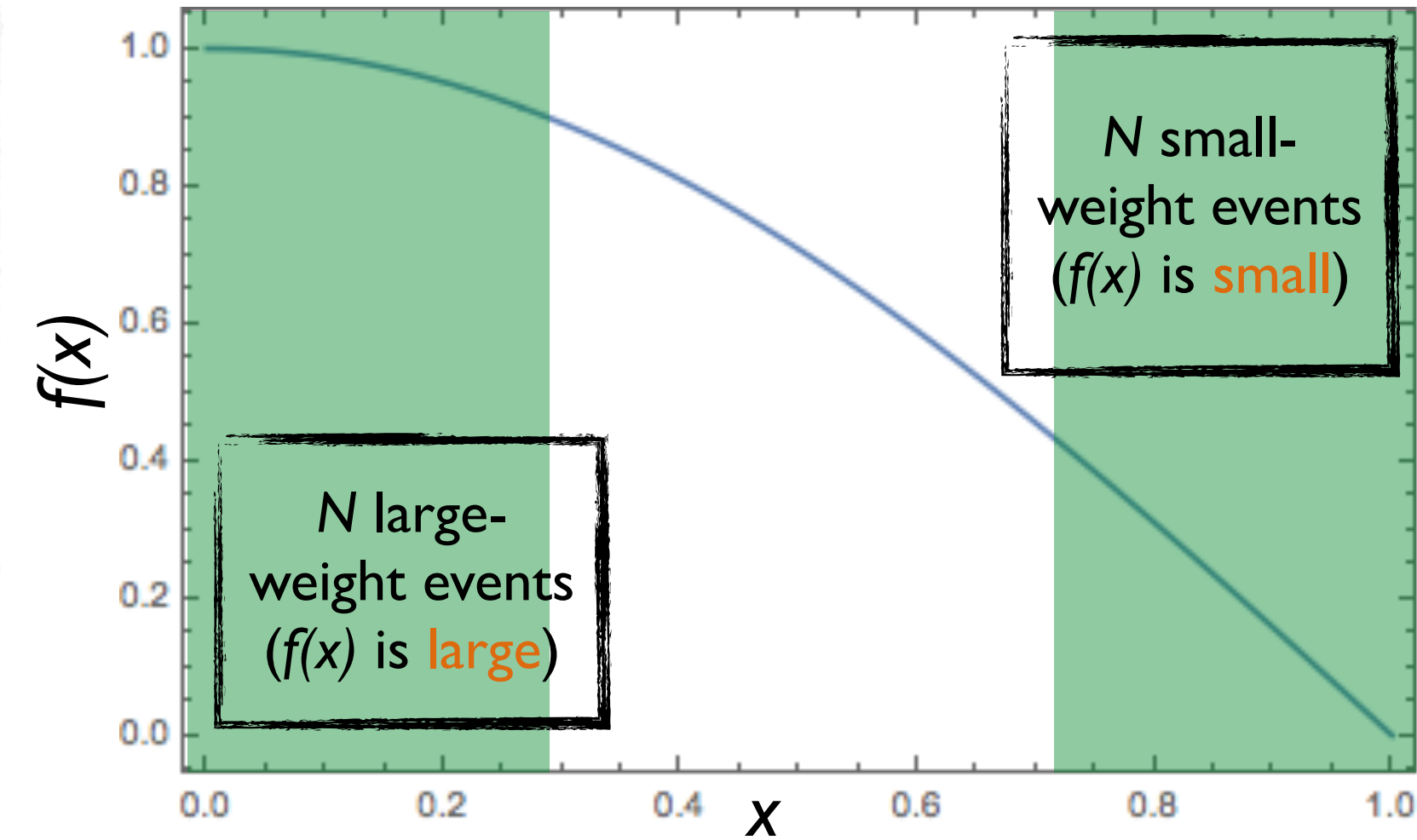
Event generation

# Weighted and unweighted events

## Accepted points $\rightarrow$ event generation

- One point  $\equiv$  one event
- Integrand value  $\equiv$  **event weight**
- **Not all events are equal**

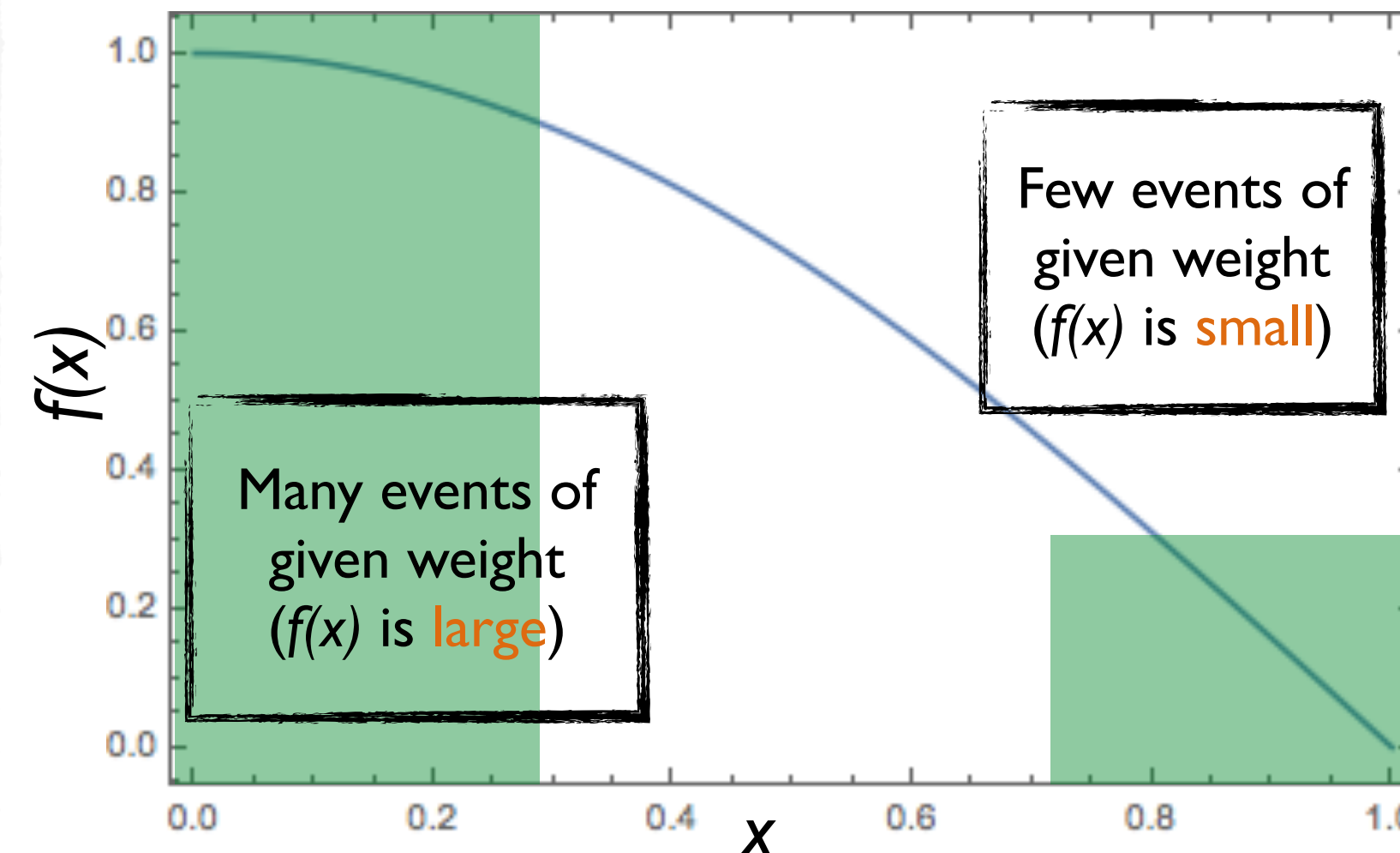
Weighted events



## Enforcing equal-weight events

- Distributed as occurring in nature
- **All events are equal**
- Weight value: recovering the total rate  
 $\rightarrow \langle \omega \rangle = \sigma_{tot}/N_{events}$

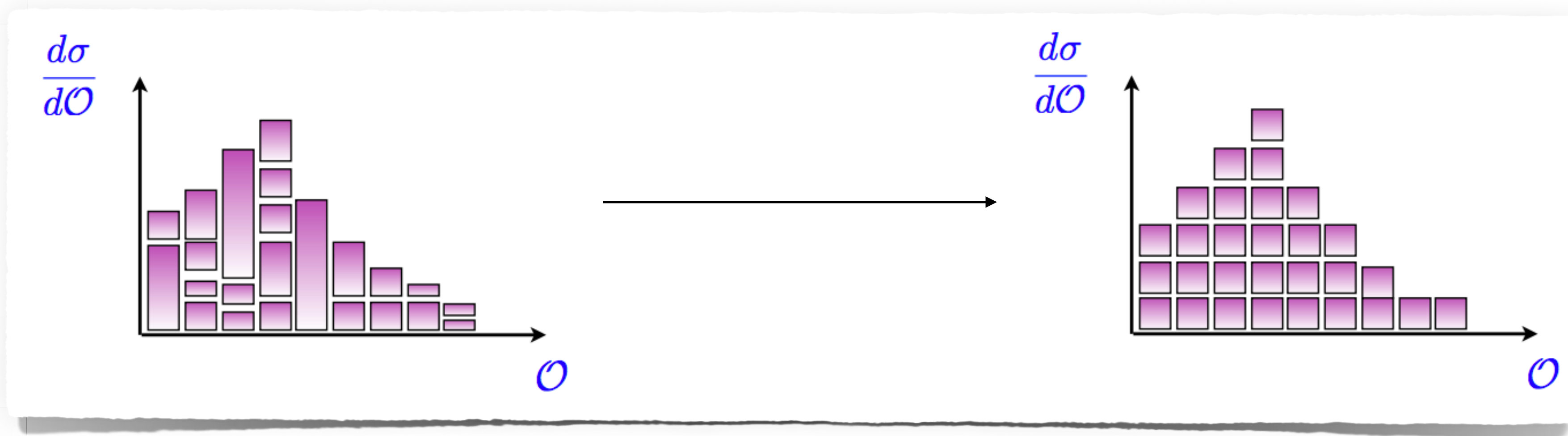
Unweighted events



# Unweighted events in practice

## Principle of unweighting

- Determination of a threshold during the integration phase  $\omega_{\max}$
- Determination of the **average weight**  $\langle \omega \rangle = \sigma_{\text{tot}} / N_{\text{events}}$
- Accept/reject: acceptance with a probability  $\omega(\Phi) / \omega_{\max}$
- Each event is assigned the weight  $\langle \omega \rangle$



## Requirements

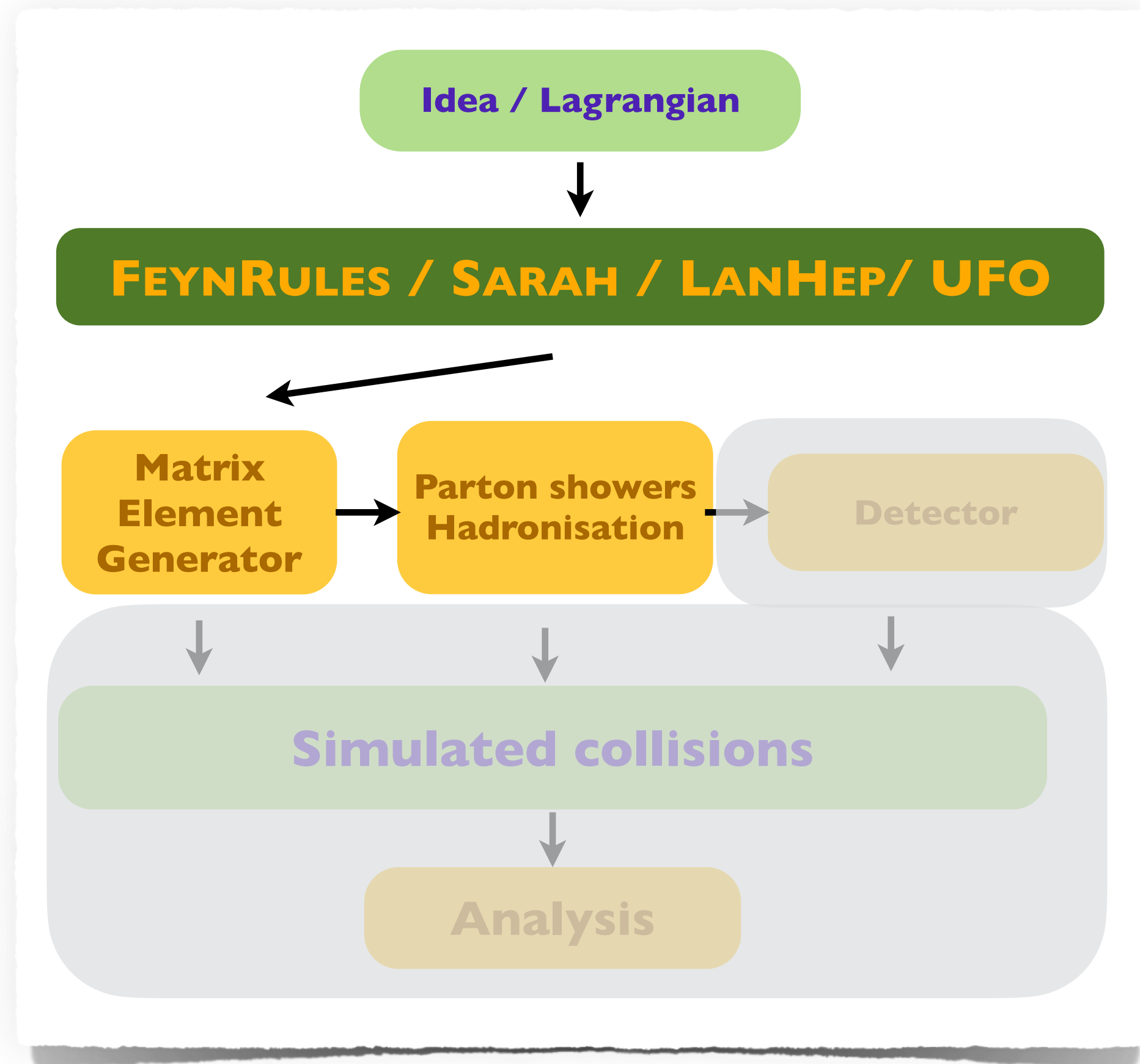
- Integrand bounded from above ( $\omega_{\max}$  must exist)
- Integrand positive-definite (bypassable)



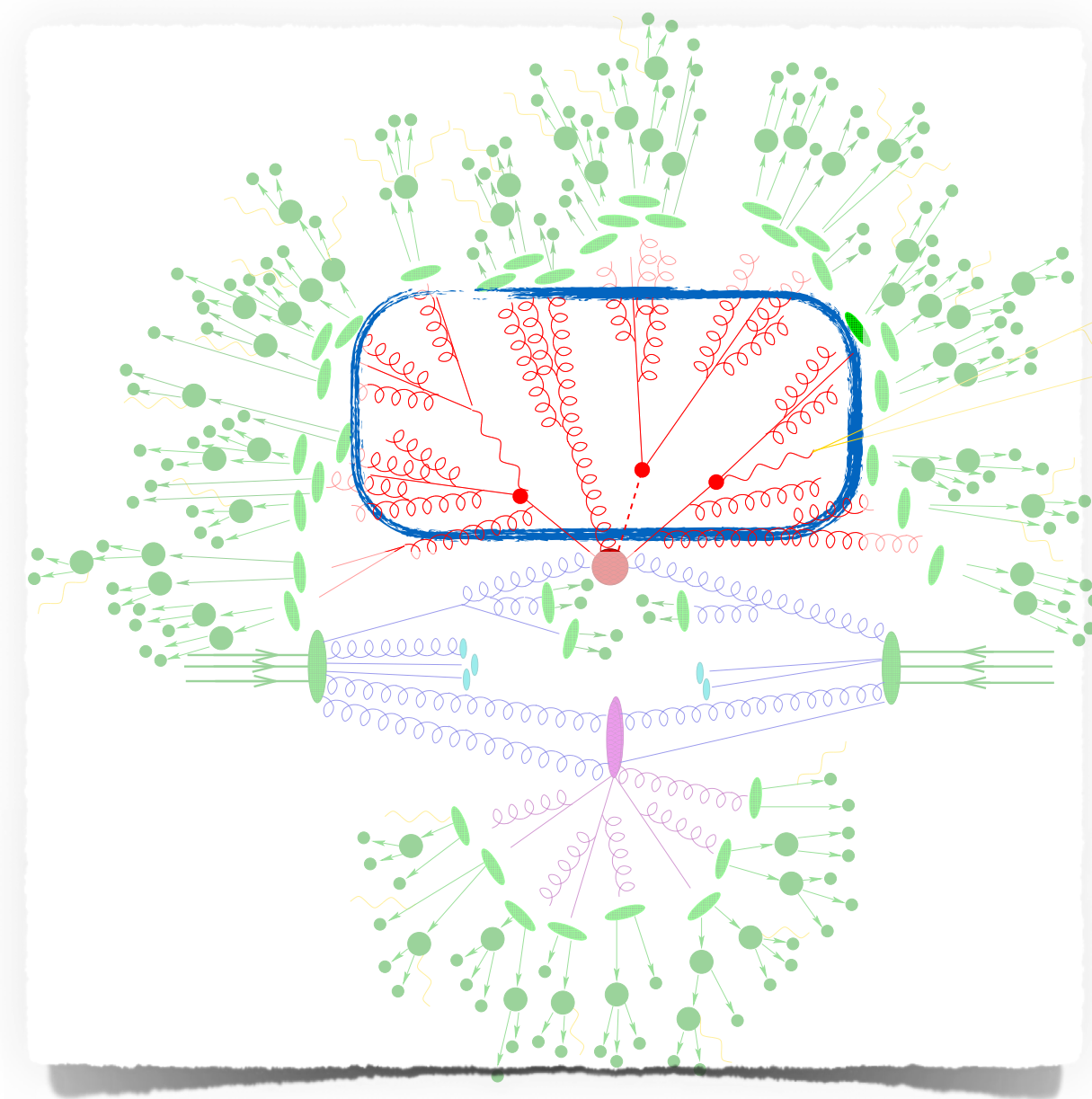
# Connecting ideas to simulations...

[ Christensen, de Aquino, Degrande, Duhr, BF, Herquet, Maltoni & Schumann (EPJC 11) ]

## Connecting ideas to simulations (and cross section calculations)



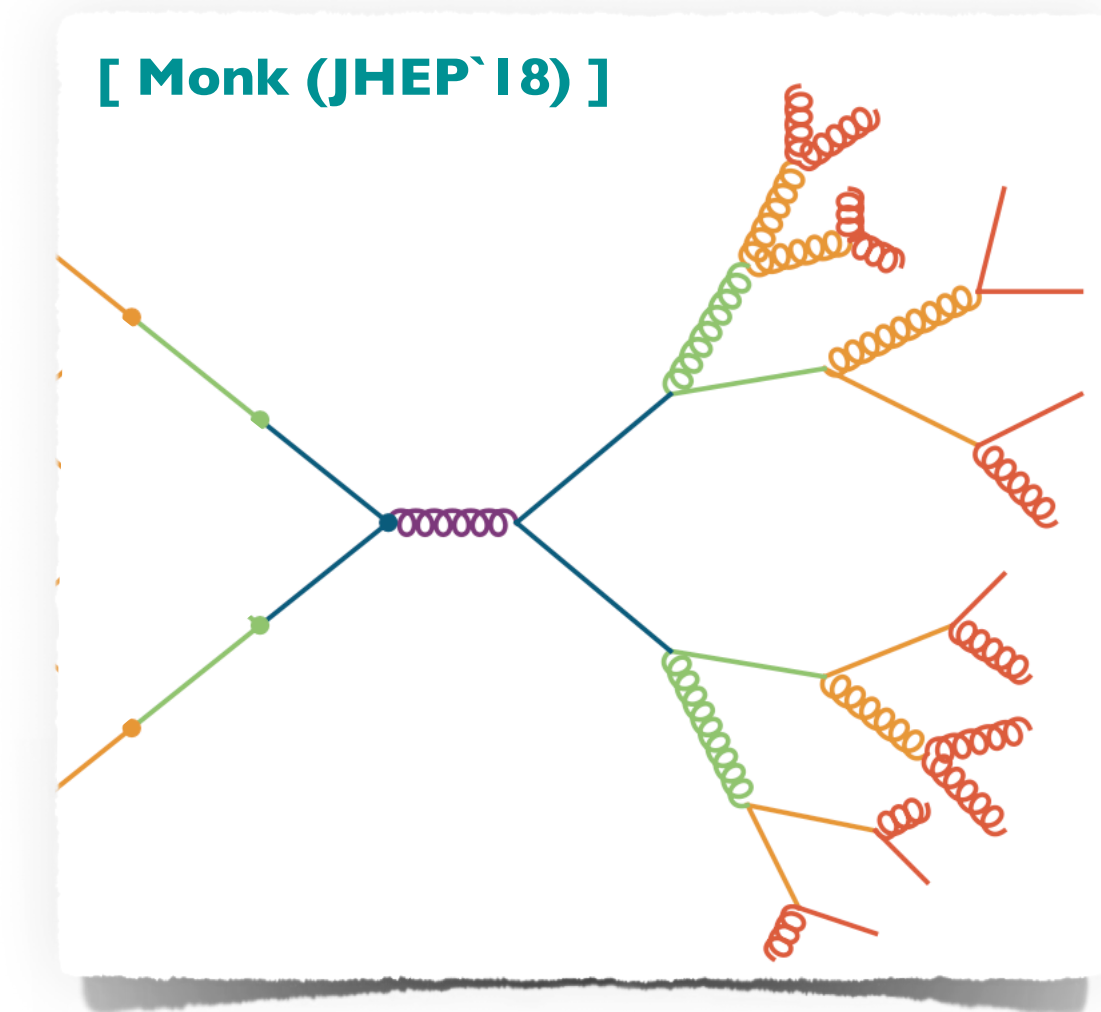
- QCD environment
  - ★ Parton showering
  - ★ Hadronisation
  - ★ Underlying event



# Parton evolution - generalities

## Radiation of accelerated charges

- TeV scale: large moment transfers → lot of radiation
- QED radiation
  - ★ Electrically-charged particles radiate photons
  - ★ Photons can split into a (charged) fermion-antifermion pair
- QCD radiation
  - ★ Quarks can radiate gluons
  - ★ Gluons can split into a quark-antiquark or a gluon pair (QCD is non-Abelian)



## Parton showering

- Dressing of each high-energetic coloured particle
- Arbitrary large number of partons (**multiple radiation**)
  - ★ Radiated partons radiate → cascade of radiations
- QCD factorisation properties
  - ★ **Universal soft and collinear radiation**
    - The  $n+1$  emission independent of the history
    - Markov chain

$$d\sigma_{2\rightarrow 3} \propto \sigma_{2\rightarrow 2} \sum_{i=q,\bar{q}} C_F \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \frac{d\theta^2}{\theta^2} \frac{1+z^2}{1-z} dz$$

# The parton shower algorithm

$$\phi_a(t, t_0) = \Delta_a(t, t_0) + \sum_b \int_{t_0}^t \frac{dt'}{t'} dz \Delta(t, t') \frac{\alpha_s(t')}{2\pi} P_{ab}(z) \phi_b(t', zt_0) \phi_c(t', (1-z)t_0)$$

## Two ingredients

- The splitting functions  $P_{ab}$
- The Sudakov form factor  $\Delta$  (no-emission probability)

## The algorithm

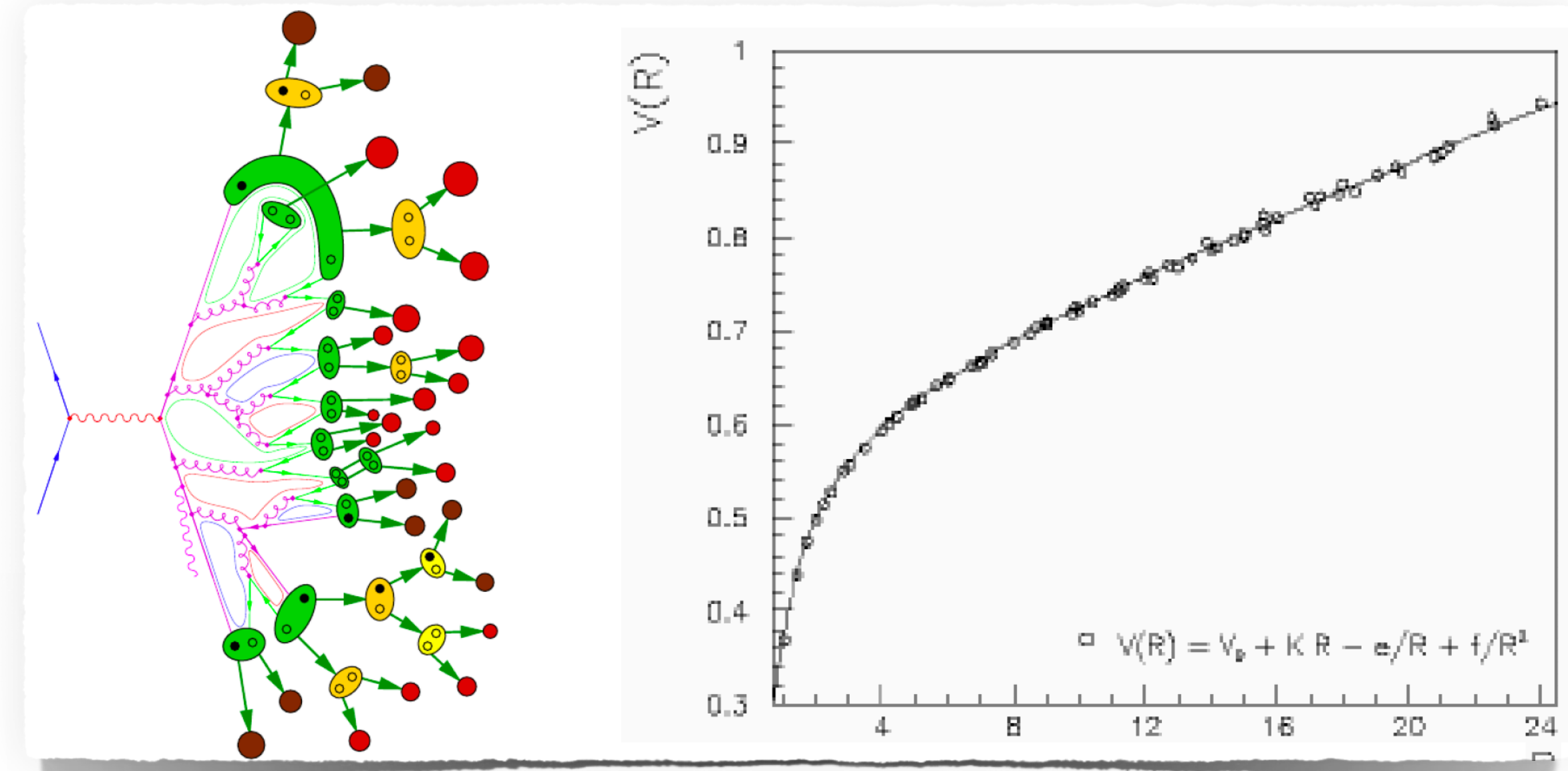
- Starting point: a parton a scale  $t_0$
- Generation of an emission scale  $t_l$  from the Sudakov probability  $\Delta_a(t_0, t_l)$ 
  - ★ If  $t_l < t_{cut}$ : stop ( $t_{cut} \equiv$  break down of perturbative QCD)
  - ★ If  $t_l > t_{cut}$ : generation of  $z_l$  according to  $P_{ab}(z)$ 
    - one extra final-state parton
- Iteration until stop for all partons



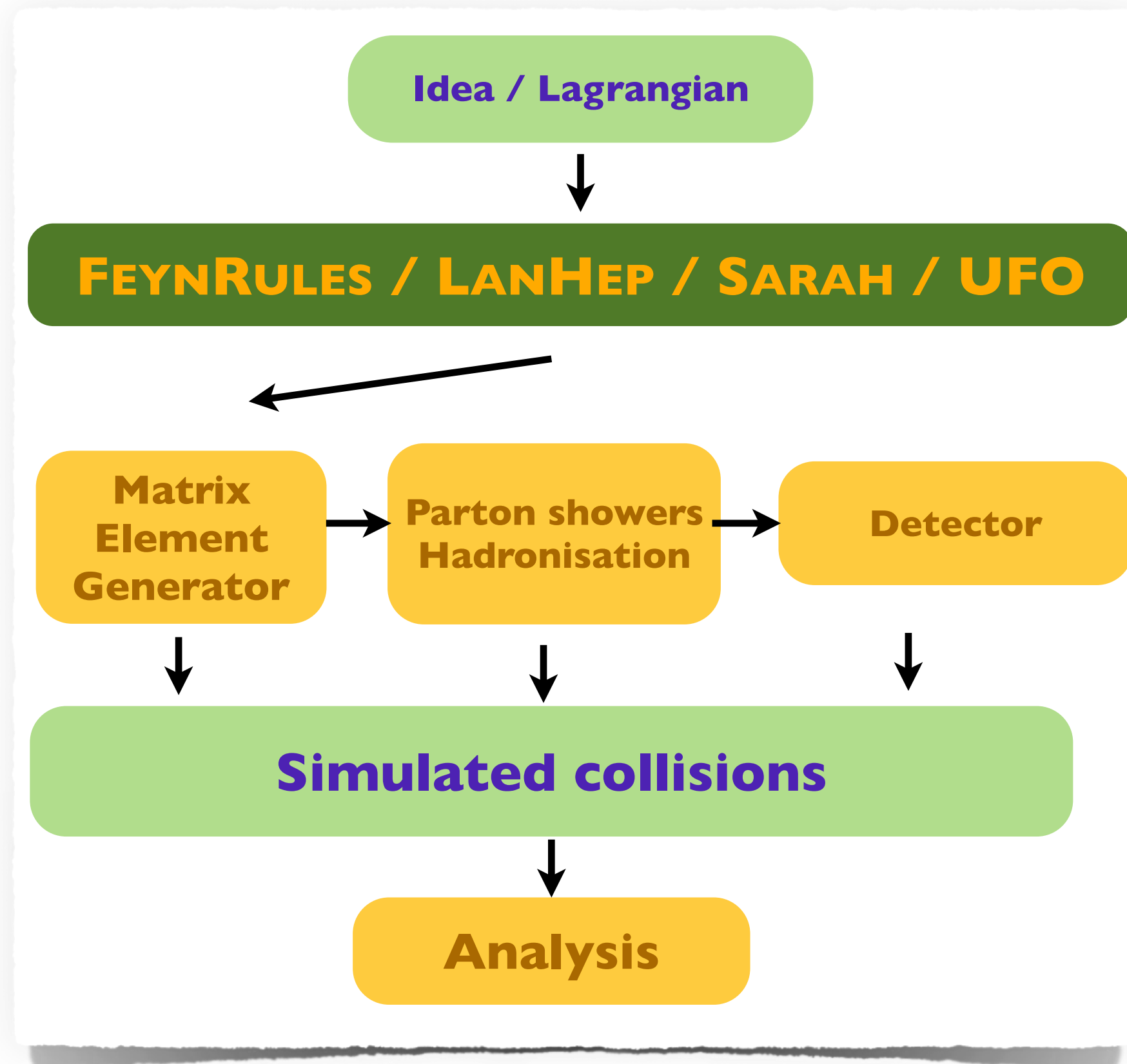
# Hadronisation

## Models

- Break down of perturbative QCD around 1 GeV
- **Non-perturbative models**: from partons to hadrons
  - ★ The Lund string model [ [Andersson, Gustafson, Ingelman & Sjöstrand \(PR'83\)](#) ]
    - Uniform string tension between colour charges
    - Pair creation at large distance
    - String broken down into hadrons
  - ★ The cluster model [ [Webber \(NPB'84\)](#) ]
    - Pre-confinement: colour singlet from colour-adjacent partons
    - Non-perturbative gluon splittings in  $q\bar{q}$  pairs
- Inclusion of **hadron decays**



# Predictions at colliders



Event simulation is a complex process

- Factorised it into separate parts
- Event simulation **performed step-by-step**

1<sup>st</sup> parts of the chain

- Connecting **models** (Lagrangians) to tools
- Generation of **matrix elements**
- Heavy particle **decays**
- **Cross section** calculations
- **Event** generation

Next steps

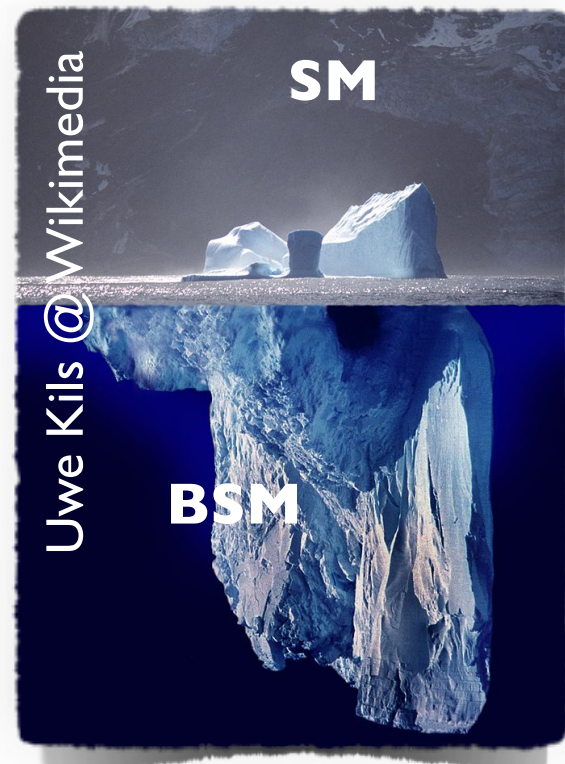
- **QCD environment**: parton showering, hadronisation
- **Detector** simulation
- Signal **analysis**
- Comparison with **data / phenomenological** study



# Summary

The Standard Model  $\equiv$  incredible description of the microscopic world

- Hunts for anomalies and deviations
- Parts of the model untested for decades
  - New phenomena



Standard Model  $\equiv$  tip of the iceberg

- Dark matter, neutrinos, hierarchy problem, etc.
- New physics = core of the high-energy research programme (theory and experiment)

Collider event simulation is one way

- Advanced tools to relate theory and experiment
- Next week: how to relate experiment to theory!

