

# QED and EW showers in Vincia

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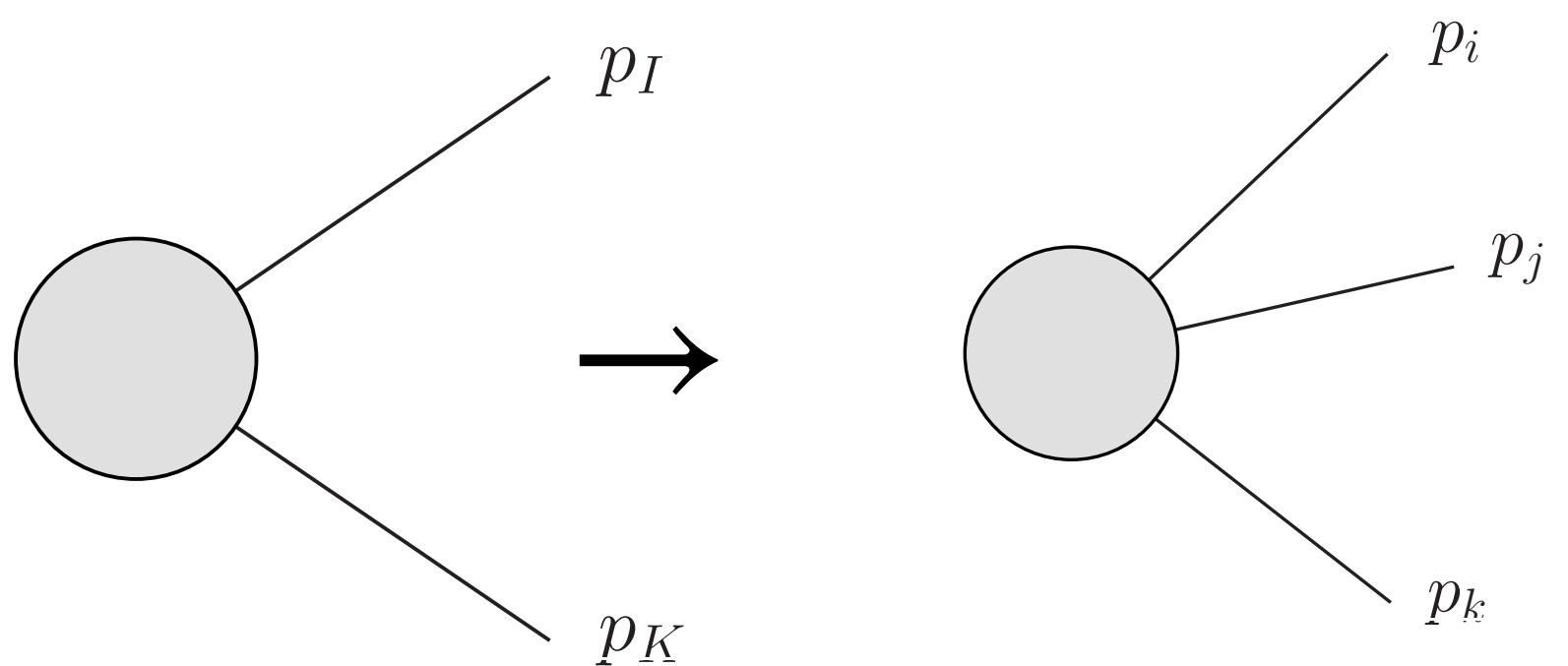
# One-slide Vincia summary

$$s_{ab} = 2p_a \cdot p_b$$

$$m_{ab}^2 = (p_a + p_b)^2$$

## 1. Phase space factorisation

$$d\Phi_{\text{ps}} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \lambda^{\frac{1}{2}}(m_{IK}^2, m_I^2, m_K^2) ds_{ij} ds_{jk} \frac{d\varphi}{2\pi}$$

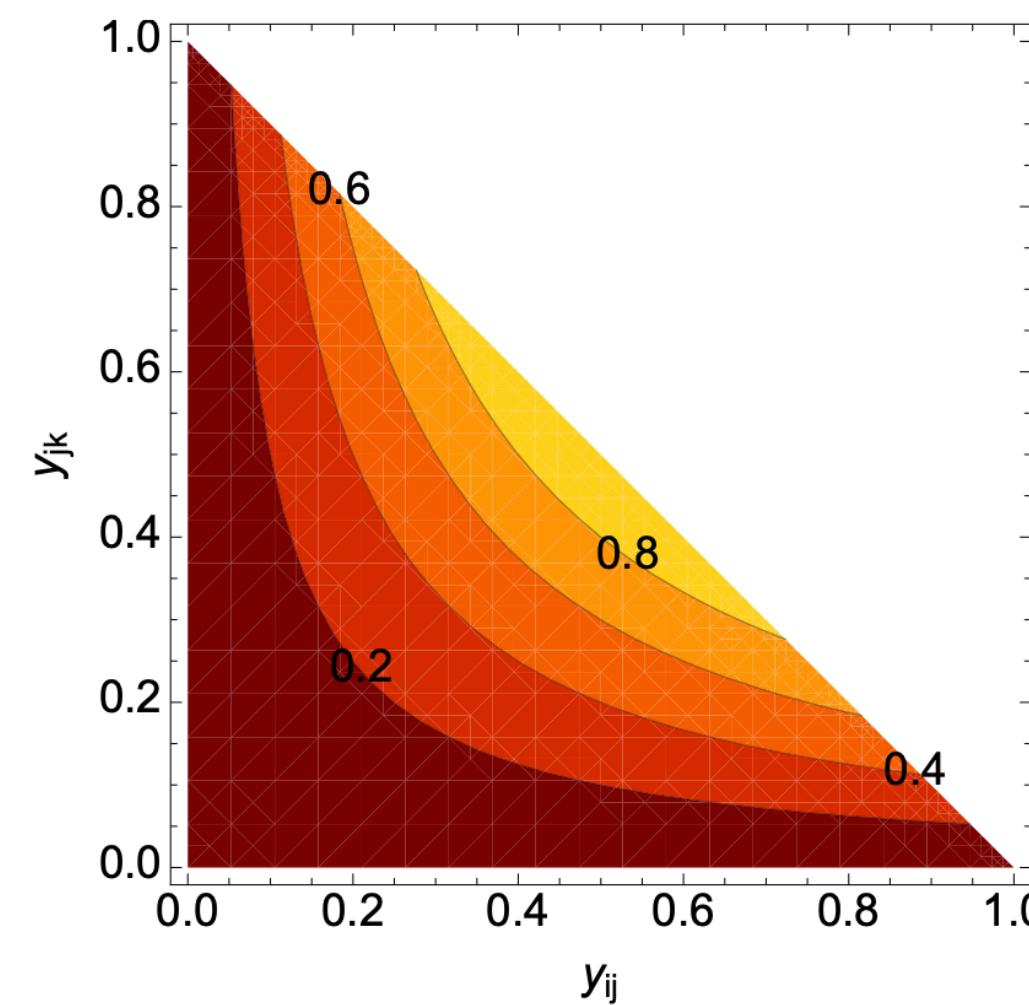


## 2. Ordering scale: Ariadne $p_\perp^2$

$$p_\perp^2 = \frac{s_{ij}s_{jk}}{s_{IK}}$$

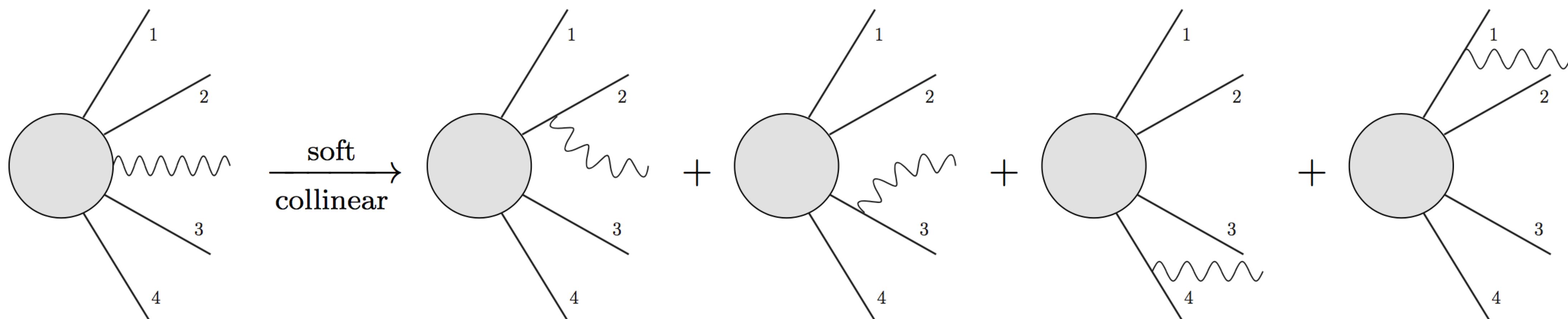
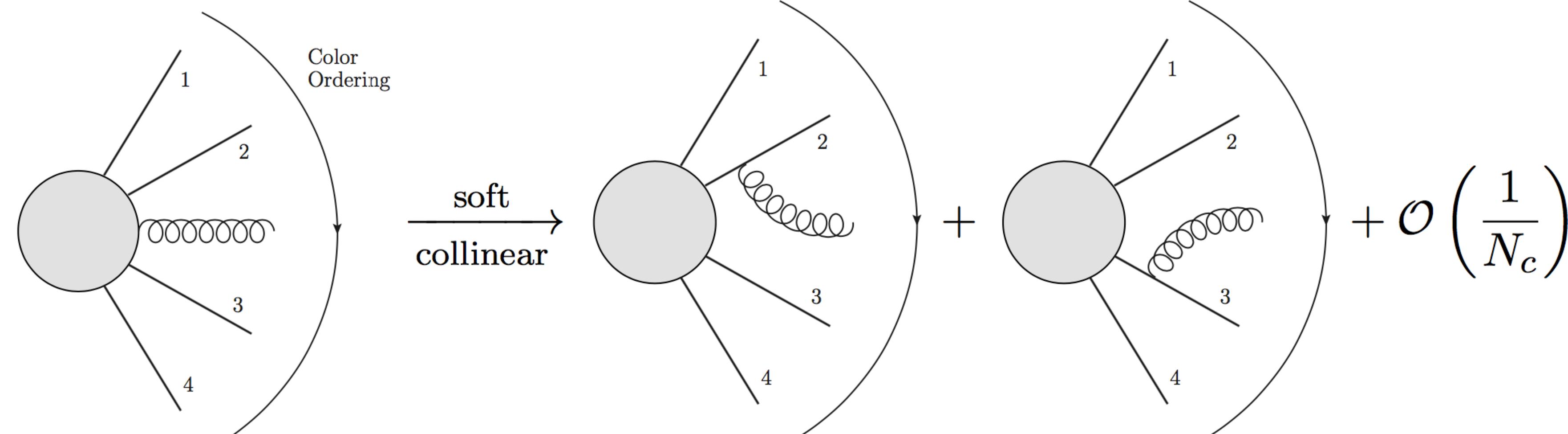
## 3. Branching kernel: Antenna functions

$$a_{q\bar{q}}(s_{ij}, s_{jk}) = 4\pi\alpha_s C_F \left( 2\frac{s_{ik}}{s_{ij}s_{jk}} - 2\frac{m_i^2}{s_{ij}^2} - 2\frac{m_k^2}{s_{jk}^2} + \frac{1}{s_{IK}} \left( \frac{s_{ij}}{s_{jk}} + \frac{s_{jk}}{s_{ij}} \right) \right)$$



# QED Showers

# QCD vs. QED



# Coherent Photon Radiation

Single branching kernel  $\bar{a}^{\text{QED}}(\{p\}, p_j) = - \sum_{\{x,y\}} \sigma_x Q_x \sigma_y Q_y a_{f\bar{f}}^{\text{QED}}(s_{xj}, s_{yj})$

Soft limit

$$|M_{n+1}(\{p\}, p_j)|^2 = -8\pi\alpha \sum_{x,y} \sigma_x Q_x \sigma_y Q_y \frac{s_{xy}}{s_{xj}s_{yj}} |M_n(\{p\})|^2$$

Collinear limit

$$|M_{n+1}(p_1, \dots, p_i, \dots, p_n, p_j)|^2 = 4\pi\alpha Q_i^2 \frac{2}{s_{ij}} P_{I \rightarrow ij}(z) |M_{n+1}(p_1, \dots, p_i + p_j, \dots, p_n)|^2$$

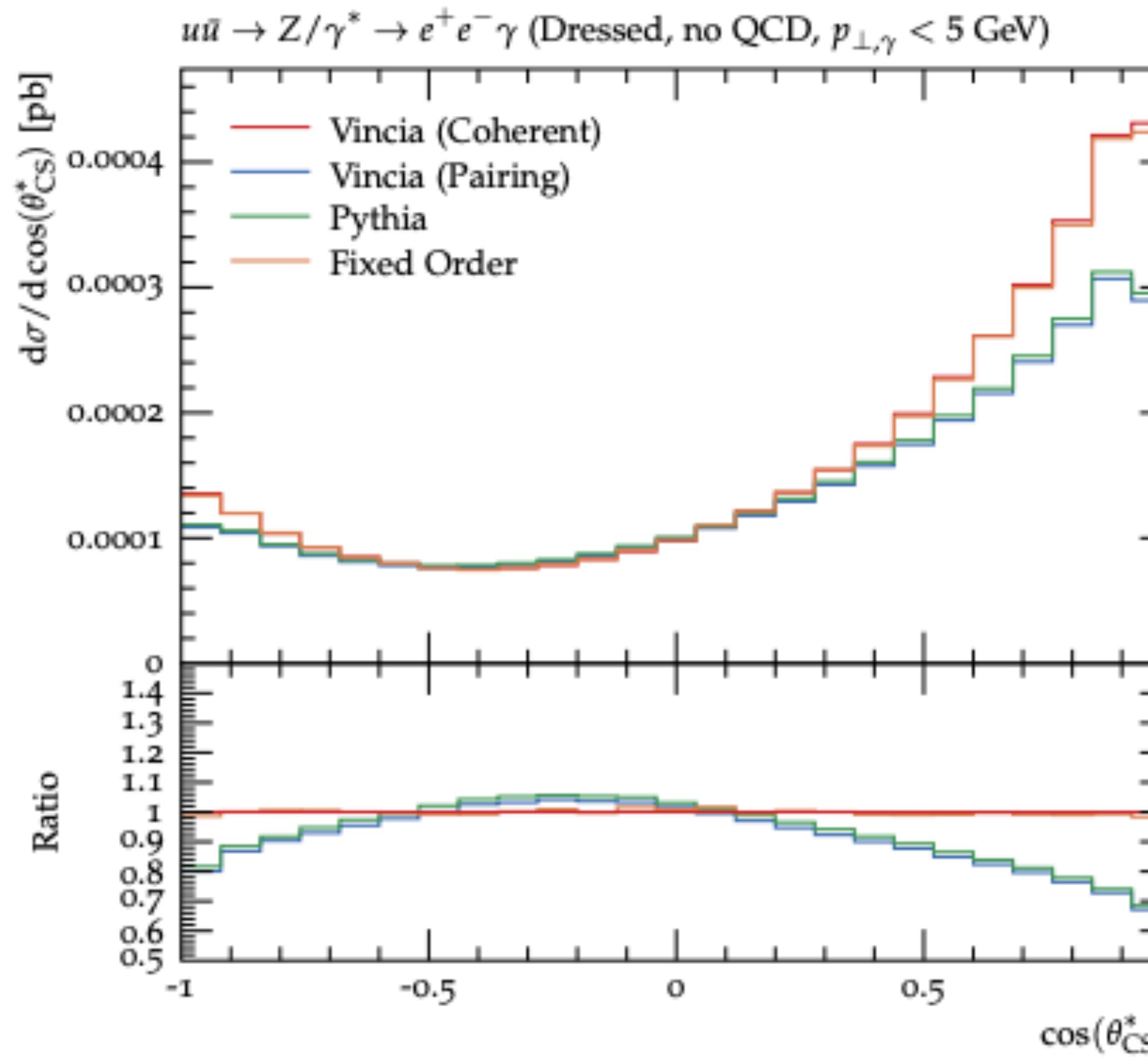
**Sectorize the phase space**

$$|M_{n+1}(\{p\}, p_j)|^2 = \bar{a}^{\text{QED}}(\{p\}, p_j) \sum_{\{x,y\}} \Theta(p_{\perp,xy}^2) |M_n(\{\bar{p}\}_{xy})|^2 \quad \leftarrow \quad x, y \text{ does the emission}$$

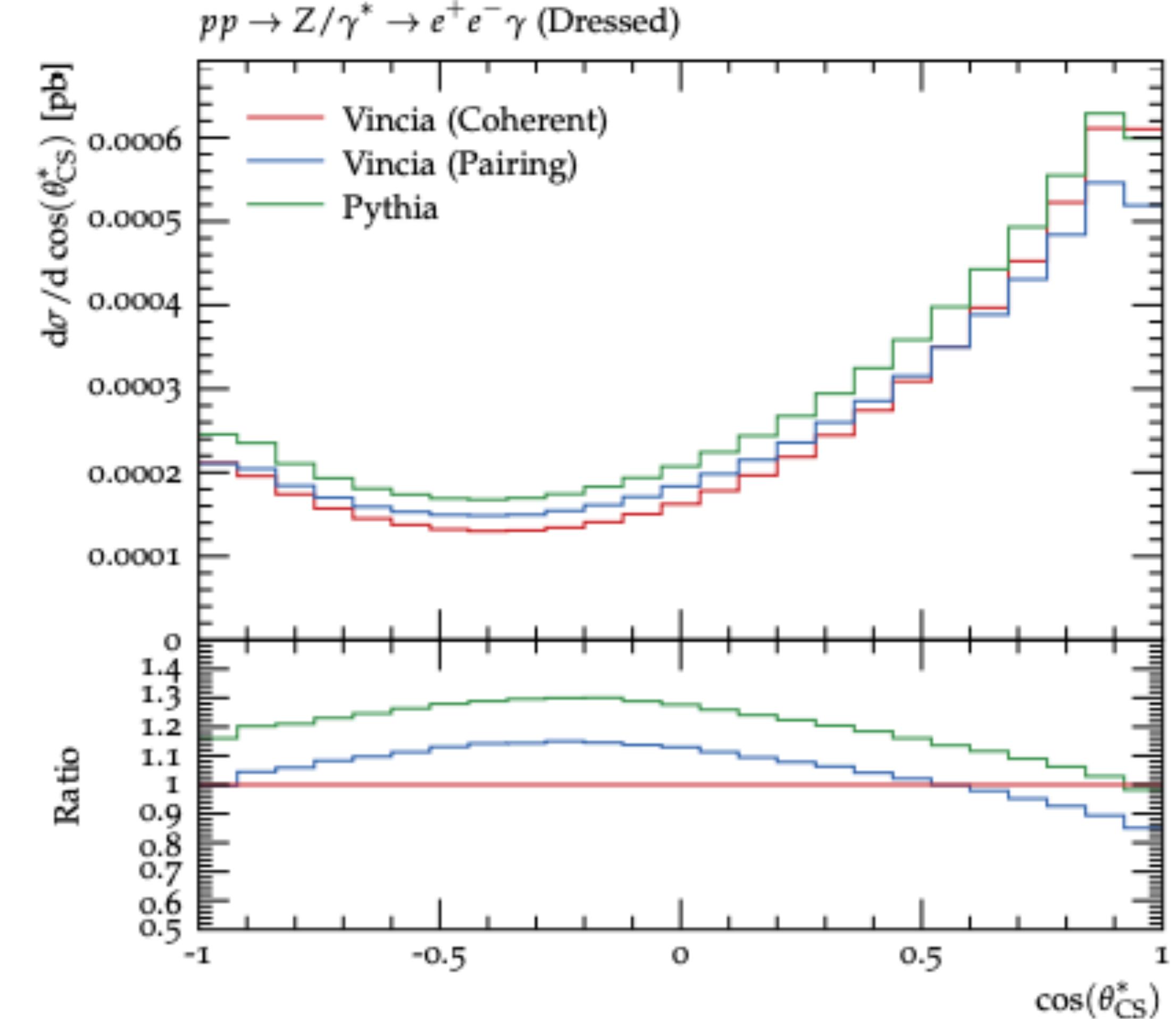


$p_{\perp,xy}^2$  is the smallest of all  $p_{\perp}^2$

# High-mass Drell-Yan



$$\cos \theta_{CS}^* = 2 \frac{p_{ee}^z}{|p_{ee}^z|} \frac{p_{e^+}^+ p_{e^-}^- - p_{e^+}^- p_{e^-}^+}{m_{ee} \sqrt{m_{ee}^2 + p_{\perp,ee}^2}},$$

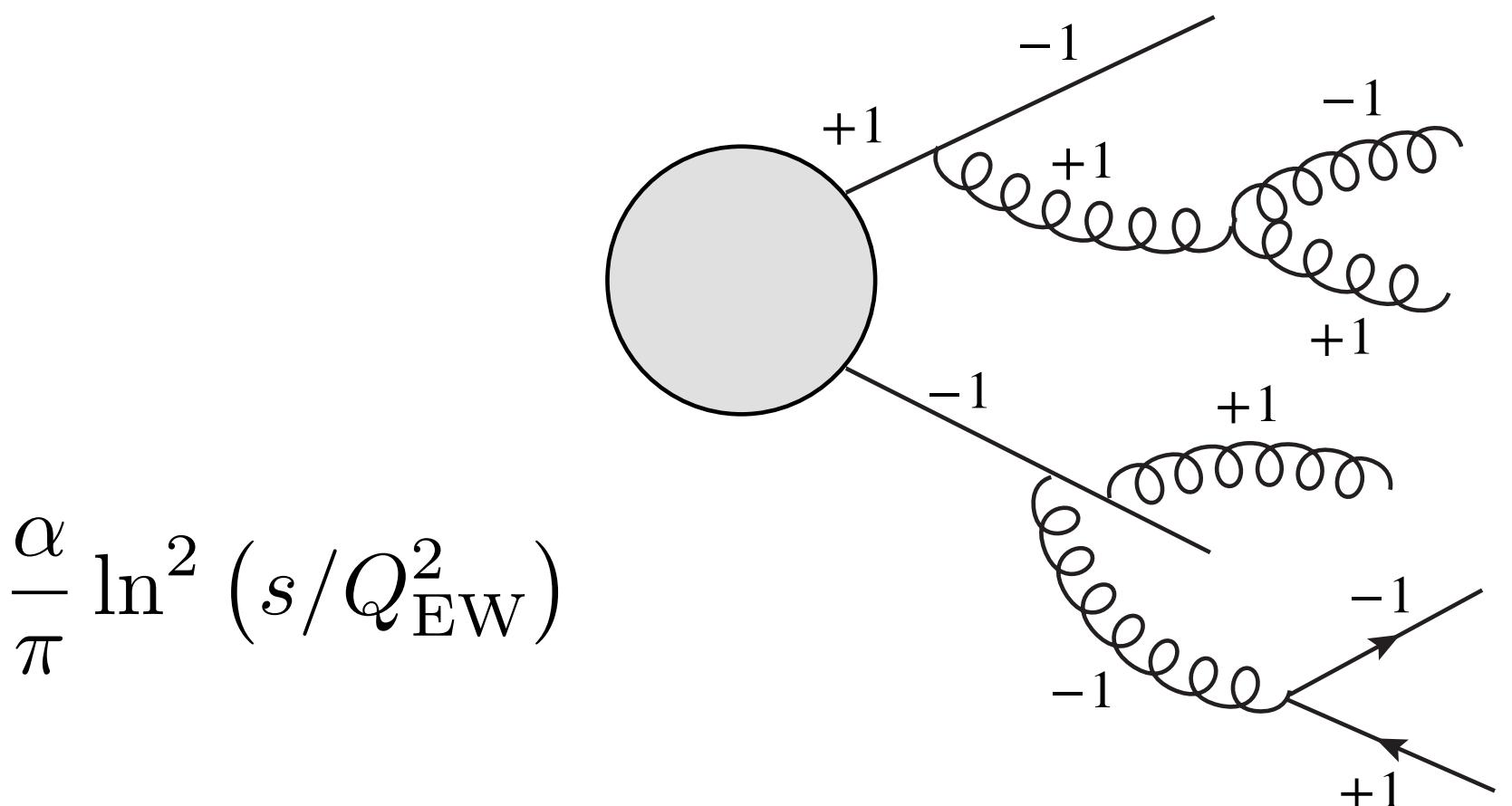


$m_{ee}^2 > 1$  TeV,  $p_{\perp,e} > 25$  GeV and  $|\eta_e| < 3.5$   
 $p_{\perp,\gamma} > 0.5$  GeV and  $|\eta_\gamma| < 3.5$

# Electroweak Showers

# EW Showers

- **Real corrections: EW gauge bosons, tops, Higgs part of jets**
- **Virtual corrections: Universal incorporation of Sudakov logs**



## Features of the EW sector

- Chiral  $\rightarrow$  Helicity showers
- EW-scale mass corrections
- Longitudinal polarisations / Goldstone bosons
- Neutral boson interference
- Double-counting between QCD and EW
- Resonance-like branchings

Larkoski, Lopez-Villarejo, Skands 1301.0933  
 Fischer, Lifson, Stands, 1708.01736

$$\epsilon_0^\mu(p) = \frac{1}{m} \left( p^\mu - \frac{m^2}{p \cdot k} k^\mu \right)$$

# Lots of Antenna Functions

$$a_{f_\lambda \mapsto f_\lambda V_\lambda}^{FF} = 2(v - \lambda a)^2 \frac{\tilde{m}_{ij}^2}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} \frac{1}{x_j}$$

$$a_{f_\lambda \mapsto f_\lambda V_{-\lambda}}^{FF} = 2(v - \lambda a)^2 \frac{\tilde{m}_{ij}^2}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} \frac{x_i^2}{x_j}$$

$$a_{f_\lambda \mapsto f_{-\lambda} V_\lambda}^{FF} = 2 \frac{1}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} \left( (v - \lambda a) m_i \frac{1}{\sqrt{x_i}} - (v + \lambda a) m_I \sqrt{x_i} \right)^2$$

$$a_{f_\lambda \mapsto f_\lambda V_0}^{FF} = \frac{1}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} \left[ (v - \lambda a) \left( \frac{m_I^2}{m_j} \sqrt{x_i} - \frac{m_i^2}{m_j} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x_i}} - 2m_j \frac{\sqrt{x_i}}{x_j} \right) + (v + \lambda a) \frac{m_I m_i}{m_j} \frac{x_j}{\sqrt{x_i}} \right]^2$$

$$a_{f_\lambda \mapsto f_{-\lambda} V_0}^{FF} = \frac{(m_I(v + \lambda a) - m_i(v - \lambda a))^2}{m_j^2} \frac{\tilde{m}_{ij}^2}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} x_j.$$

$$a_{V_\lambda \mapsto f_\lambda \bar{f}_{-\lambda}}^{FF} = 2(v - \lambda a)^2 \frac{\tilde{m}_{ij}^2}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} x_j^2$$

$$a_{V_\lambda \mapsto f_{-\lambda} \bar{f}_\lambda}^{FF} = 2(v + \lambda a)^2 \frac{\tilde{m}_{ij}^2}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} x_i^2$$

$$a_{V_\lambda \mapsto f_{-\lambda} \bar{f}_{-\lambda}}^{FF} = 2 \frac{1}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} \left( (v + \lambda a) m_i \sqrt{\frac{x_j}{x_i}} + (v - \lambda a) m_j \sqrt{\frac{x_i}{x_j}} \right)^2$$

$$a_{V_0 \mapsto f_\lambda \bar{f}_\lambda}^{FF} = \frac{((v + \lambda a) m_i - (v - \lambda a) m_j)^2}{m_I^2} \frac{\tilde{m}_{ij}^2}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2}$$

$$a_{V_0 \mapsto f_\lambda \bar{f}_{-\lambda}}^{FF} = \frac{1}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} \\ \times \left[ (v - \lambda a) \left( 2m_I \sqrt{x_i x_j} - \frac{m_i^2}{m_I} \sqrt{\frac{x_j}{x_i}} - \frac{m_j^2}{m_I} \sqrt{\frac{x_i}{x_j}} \right) + (v + \lambda a) \frac{m_i m_j}{m} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x_i x_j}} \right]^2.$$

$$a_{f_\lambda f_\lambda H}^{FF} = \frac{e^2}{4s_w^2} \frac{m_i^4}{s_w^2} \frac{1}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} \left( \sqrt{x_i} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x_i}} \right)^2$$

$$a_{f_\lambda f_{-\lambda} H}^{FF} = \frac{e^2}{4s_w^2} \frac{m_i^2}{s_w^2} \frac{\tilde{m}_{ij}^2}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} x_j.$$

$$a_{V_\lambda \mapsto V_\lambda V_\lambda}^{FF} = 2g_v^2 \frac{\tilde{m}_{ij}^2}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} \frac{1}{x_i x_j}$$

$$a_{V_\lambda \mapsto V_\lambda V_{-\lambda}}^{FF} = 2g_v^2 \frac{\tilde{m}_{ij}^2}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} \frac{x_i^3}{x_j}$$

$$a_{V_\lambda \mapsto V_{-\lambda} V_\lambda}^{FF} = 2g_v^2 \frac{\tilde{m}_{ij}^2}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} \frac{x_j^3}{x_i}$$

$$a_{V_\lambda \mapsto V_\lambda V_0}^{FF} = g_v^2 \frac{1}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} \frac{(m_I^2 - m_i^2 - \frac{1+x_i}{x_j} m_j^2)^2}{m_j^2}$$

$$a_{V_\lambda \mapsto V_0 V_\lambda}^{FF} = g_v^2 \frac{1}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} \frac{(m_I^2 - m_j^2 - \frac{1+x_j}{x_i} m_i^2)^2}{m_i^2}$$

$$a_{V_\lambda \mapsto V_0 V_0}^{FF} = \frac{g_v^2}{2} \frac{(m_I^2 - m_i^2 - m_j^2)^2}{m_i^2 m_j^2} \frac{\tilde{m}_{ij}^2}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} x_i x_j.$$

$$a_{V_\lambda \mapsto V_\lambda H}^{FF} = \frac{e^2}{s_w^2} \frac{m_v^4}{m_w^2} \frac{1}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2}$$

$$a_{V_\lambda \mapsto V_0 H}^{FF} = \frac{e^2}{2s_w^2} \frac{m_v^2}{m_w^2} \frac{\tilde{m}_{ij}^2}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} x_i x_j$$

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$$a_{H \mapsto f_\lambda \bar{f}_{-\lambda}}^{FF} = \frac{e^2}{4s_w^2} \frac{m_i^4}{s_w^2} \frac{1}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} \left( \sqrt{\frac{x_i}{x_j}} - \sqrt{\frac{x_j}{x_i}} \right)^2.$$

$$a_{V_\lambda \mapsto V_\lambda V_0}^{FF} = g_v^2 \frac{1}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} \frac{(m_I^2 - m_i^2 - \frac{1+x_i}{x_j} m_j^2)^2}{m_j^2}$$

# Lots of Antenna Functions (pt. 2)

$$a_{V_0 \mapsto V_\lambda V_{-\lambda}}^{FF} = g_v^2 \frac{1}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} \frac{(m_I^2(1 - 2x_i) + m_i^2 - m_j^2)^2}{m_I^2}$$

$$a_{V_0 \mapsto V_\lambda V_0}^{FF} = \frac{g_v^2}{2} \frac{(m_I^2 - m_i^2 + m_j^2)^2}{m_I^2 m_j^2} \frac{\tilde{m}_{ij}^2}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} \frac{x_j}{x_i}$$

$$a_{V_0 \mapsto V_0 V_\lambda}^{FF} = \frac{g_v^2}{2} \frac{(m_I^2 + m_i^2 - m_j^2)^2}{m_I^2 m_i^2} \frac{\tilde{m}_{ij}^2}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} \frac{x_i}{x_j}$$

$$a_{V_0 \mapsto V_0 V_0}^{FF} = \frac{g_v^2}{4} \frac{1}{m_I^2 m_i^2 m_j^2} \frac{1}{x_i^2 x_j^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \times \left[ m_I^4 x_i x_j (x_i - x_j) + 2m_I^2 (m_i^2 x_j^2 (1 + x_i) - m_j^2 x_i^2 (1 + x_j)) \right. \\ & \left. - (m_i^2 - m_j^2)(m_i^2 x_j (1 + x_j) + m_j^2 x_i (1 + x_i)) \right]^2. \end{aligned}$$

$$a_{f_\lambda \mapsto f_\lambda V_\lambda}^{II} = 2(v - \lambda a)^2 \frac{\tilde{q}_{aj}^2}{(m_A^2 - q_{ai}^2)^2} \frac{1}{x_A} \frac{1}{x_j}$$

$$a_{f_\lambda \mapsto f_\lambda V_{-\lambda}}^{II} = 2(v - \lambda a)^2 \frac{\tilde{q}_{aj}^2}{(m_A^2 - q_{ai}^2)^2} \frac{x_A}{x_j}$$

$$a_{f_\lambda \mapsto f_{-\lambda} V_\lambda}^{II} = 2 \frac{1}{(m_A^2 - q_{ai}^2)^2} \left( (v - \lambda a) \frac{m_A}{\sqrt{x_A}} - (v + \lambda a) \sqrt{x_A} m_a \right)^2$$

$$a_{f_\lambda \mapsto f_\lambda V_0}^{II} = \frac{1}{(m_A^2 - q_{ai}^2)^2}$$

$$\times \left[ (v - \lambda a) \left( \frac{m_a^2}{m_j} \sqrt{x_A} - \frac{m_A^2}{m_j} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x_A}} - 2m_j \frac{\sqrt{x_A}}{x_j} \right) + (v + \lambda a) \frac{m_a m_A}{m_j} \frac{x_j}{\sqrt{x_A}} \right]^2$$

$$a_{f_\lambda \mapsto f_{-\lambda} V_0}^{II} = \frac{((v - \lambda a)m_A - (v + \lambda a)m_a)^2}{m_j^2} \frac{\tilde{q}_{aj}^2}{(m_A^2 - q_{ai}^2)^2} \frac{x_j}{x_A}$$

$$a_{H \mapsto f_\lambda \bar{f}_\lambda}^{FF} = \frac{e^2}{4s_w^2} \frac{m_i^2}{s_w^2} \frac{\tilde{m}_{ij}^2}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2}$$

$$a_{H \mapsto f_\lambda \bar{f}_{-\lambda}}^{FF} = \frac{e^2}{4s_w^2} \frac{m_i^4}{s_w^2} \frac{1}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} \left( \sqrt{\frac{x_i}{x_j}} - \sqrt{\frac{x_j}{x_i}} \right)^2.$$

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$$a_{f_\lambda f_\lambda H}^{II} = \frac{e^2}{4s_w^2} \frac{m_a^4}{s_w^2} \frac{1}{(m_A^2 - q_{ai}^2)^2} \frac{1}{x_A} \left( \sqrt{x_A} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x_A}} \right)^2$$

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# Collinear Limits

$\lambda_I$	$\lambda_i$	$\lambda_j$	$f \rightarrow f'V$	$\tilde{m}_{ij}^2 = m_{ij}^2 - \frac{m_i^2}{z^2} - \frac{m_j^2}{(1-z)^2}$
$\lambda$	$\lambda$	$\lambda$	$2(v - \lambda a)^2 \frac{\tilde{m}_{ij}^2}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} \frac{1}{1-z}$	$P(z) \propto \frac{\tilde{m}_{ij}^2}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} \frac{1+z^2}{1-z}$
$\lambda$	$\lambda$	$-\lambda$	$2(v - \lambda a)^2 \frac{\tilde{m}_{ij}^2}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} \frac{z^2}{1-z}$	Pure gauge
$\lambda$	$-\lambda$	$\lambda$	$2 \frac{1}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} \left( m_I(v - \lambda a)\sqrt{z} - m_i(v + \lambda a) \frac{1}{\sqrt{z}} \right)^2$	Pure gauge
$\lambda$	$-\lambda$	$-\lambda$	0	$P(z) \propto \frac{m^2}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2}$
$\lambda$	$\lambda$	0	$\frac{1}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} \left[ (v - \lambda a) \left( \frac{m_I^2}{m_j} \sqrt{z} - \frac{m_i^2}{m_j} \frac{1}{\sqrt{z}} - 2m_j \frac{\sqrt{z}}{1-z} \right) + (v + \lambda a) \frac{m_i m_I}{m_j} \frac{1-z}{\sqrt{z}} \right]^2$	Gauge + Goldstone
$\lambda$	$-\lambda$	0	$\frac{\tilde{m}_{ij}^2}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} (1-z) \left( \frac{m_i}{m_j} (v - \lambda a) - \frac{m_I}{m_j} (v + \lambda a) \right)^2$	$P(z) \propto \frac{\tilde{m}_{ij}^2}{(m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2)^2} (1-z)$ Pure Goldstone

# Overestimate Determination

$\mathcal{O}(1000)$  types of branchings (all FSR + ffV ISR)

Parameterized overestimate

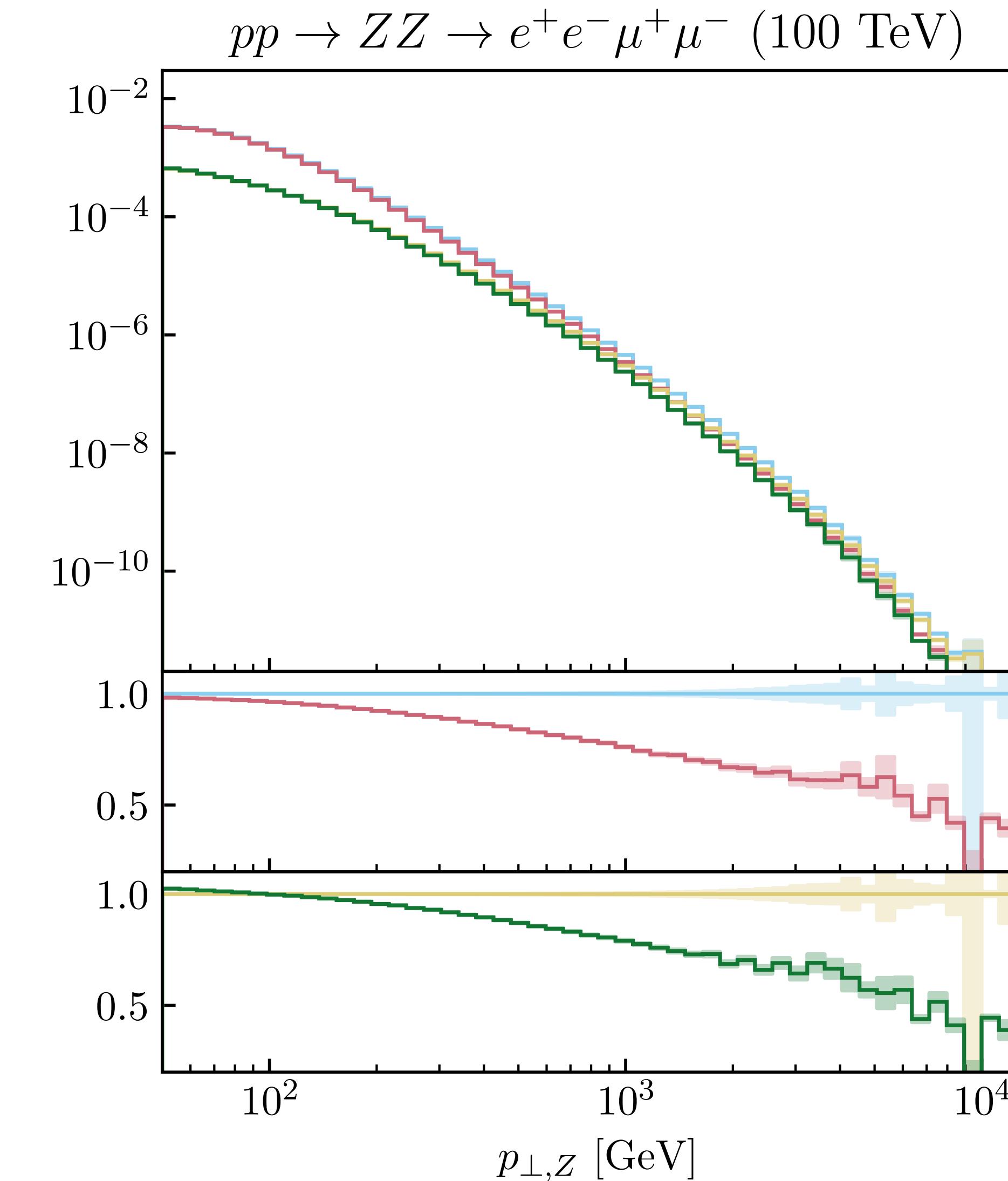
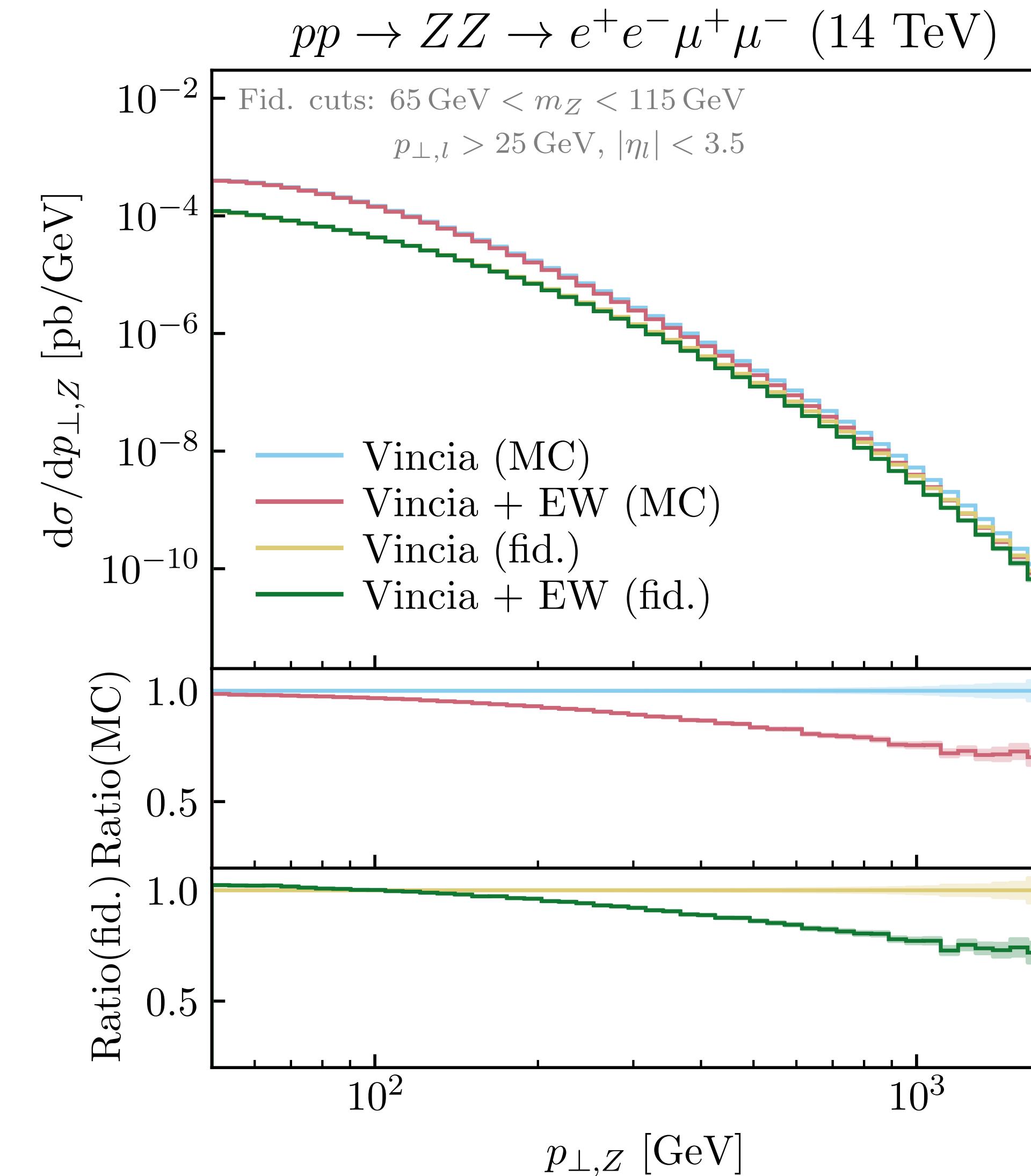
$$a_{\text{trial}}^{\text{FF}} = \frac{1}{m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2} \left[ c_1^{\text{FF}} + c_2^{\text{FF}} \frac{1}{z} + c_3^{\text{FF}} \frac{1}{1-z} + c_4^{\text{FF}} \frac{m_I^2}{m_{ij}^2 - m_I^2} \right] \rightarrow \text{Efficient veto algorithm}$$

For every branching:

- Generate random branchings in random antennae
- Set up *linear programming* system
- Solve numerically

Minimize  $a_{\text{trial},i}^{\text{FF}} - a_i^{\text{FF}}$   
While  $\forall i : a_{\text{trial},i}^{\text{FF}} > a_i^{\text{FF}}$

# Virtual Sudakov logs

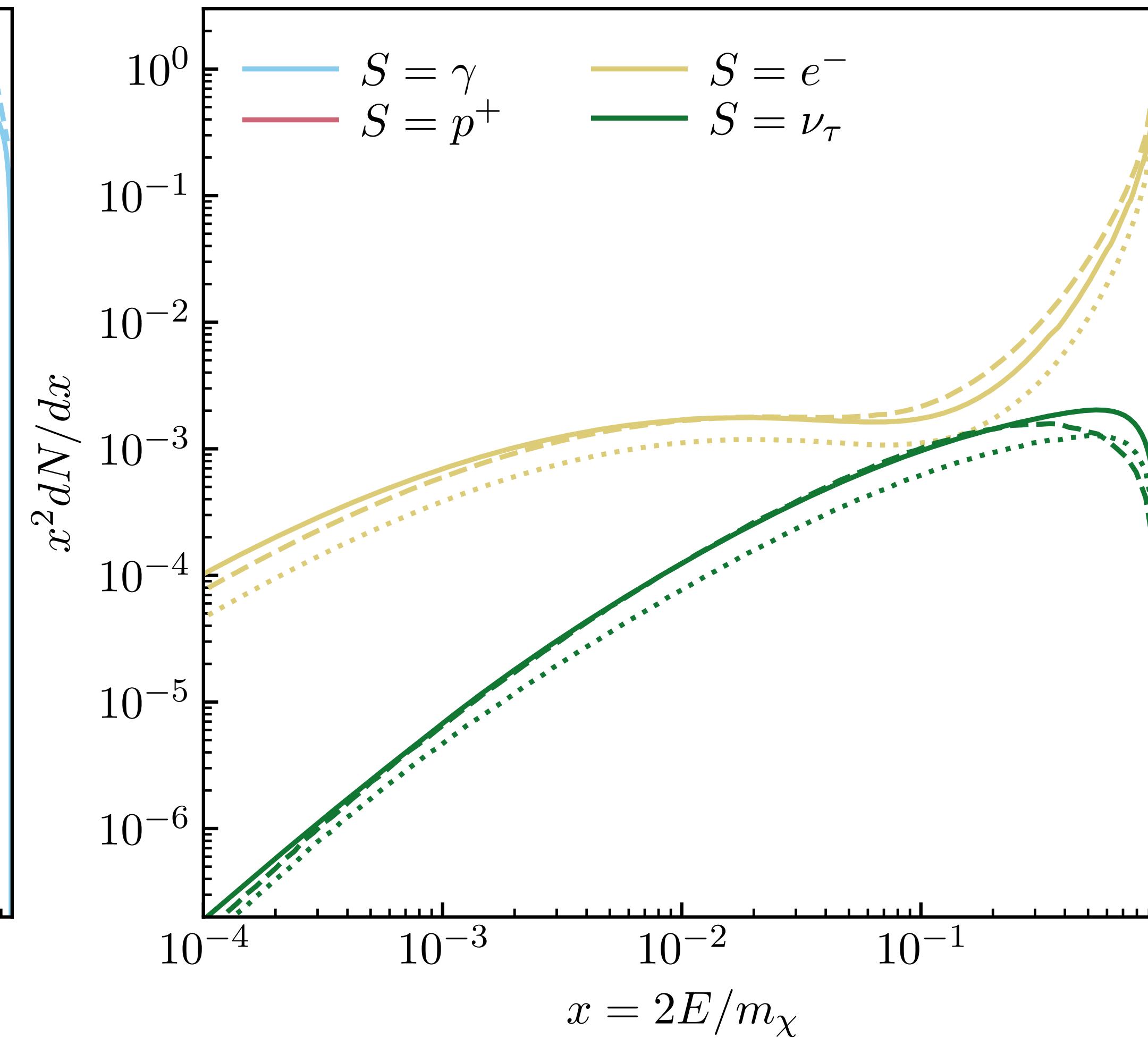
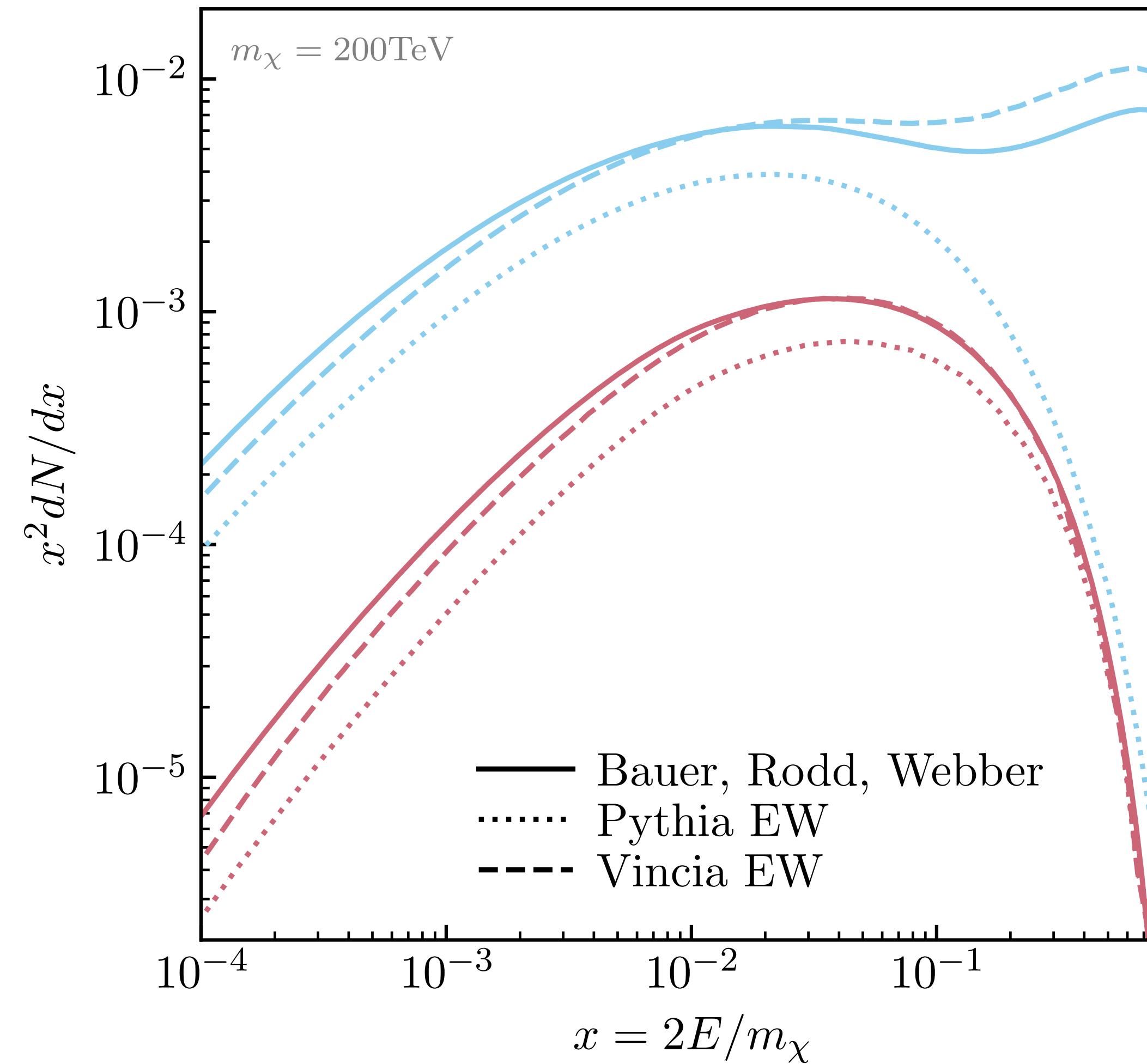


# Dark Matter Decay Spectra

Comparison with analytic results

Bauer, Rodd, Webber 2007.15001

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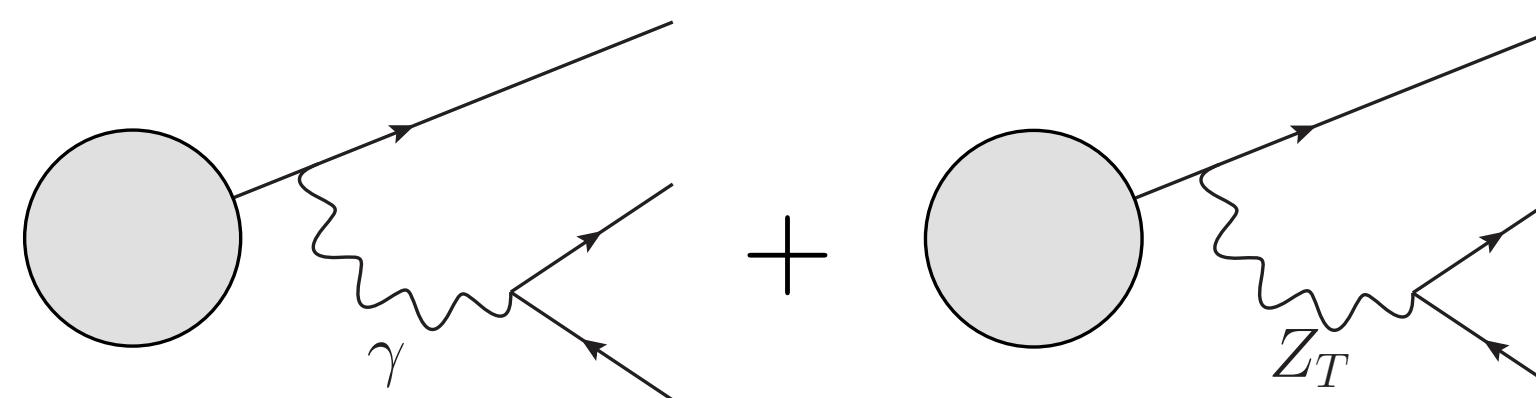


# Novel features in the Electroweak Sector

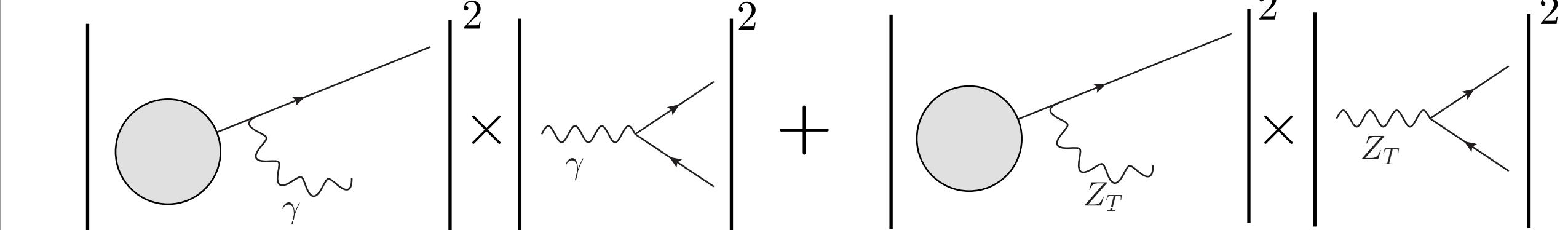
# Neutral Boson Interference

**Interference between  $\gamma, Z_T$  and  $h, Z_L$**

Physical contribution



Shower approximation

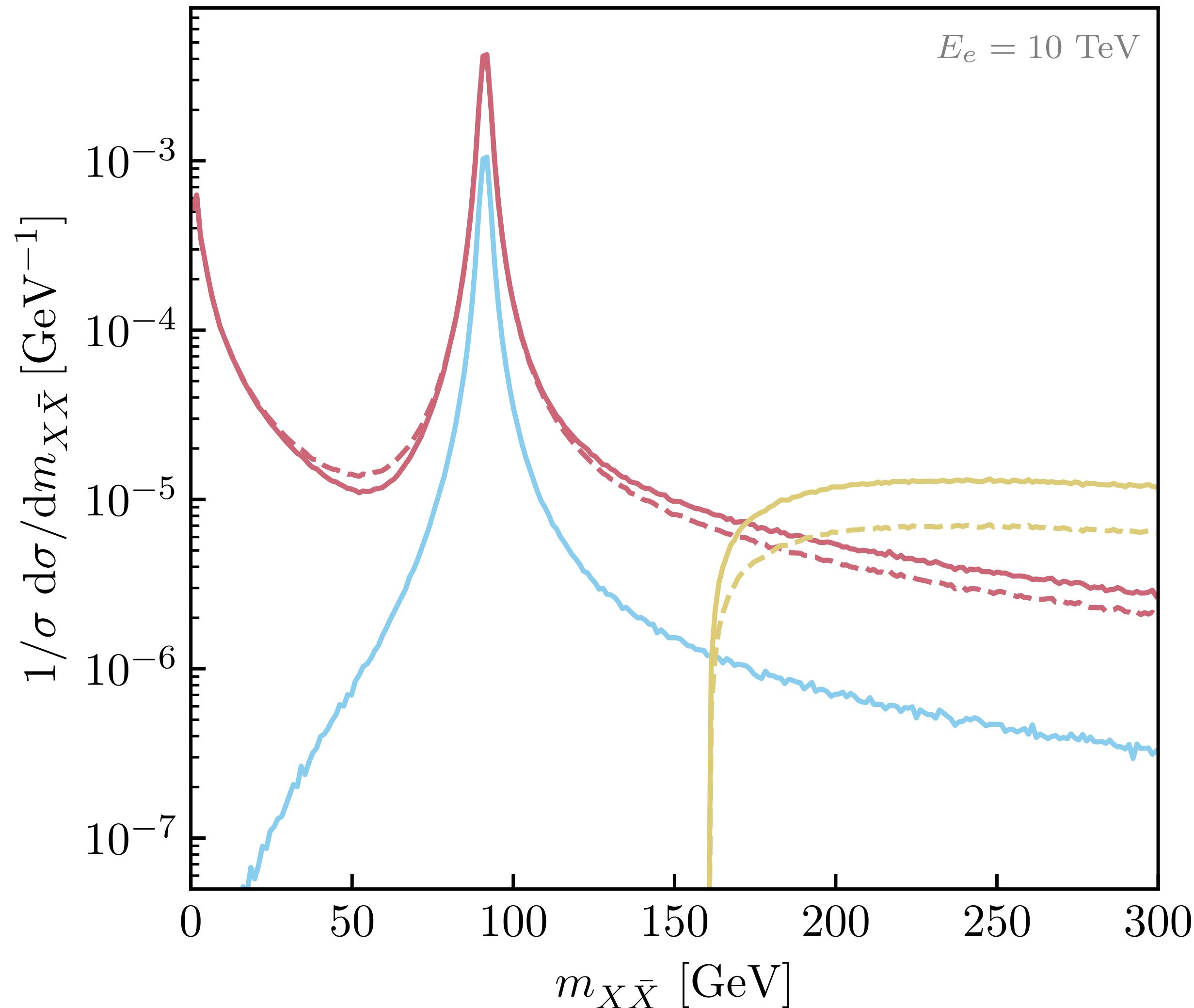


- Complicated solution: Evolve density matrices  
→ Very computationally expensive
- Simple solution: Apply event weight  
→ Does not get Sudakov right

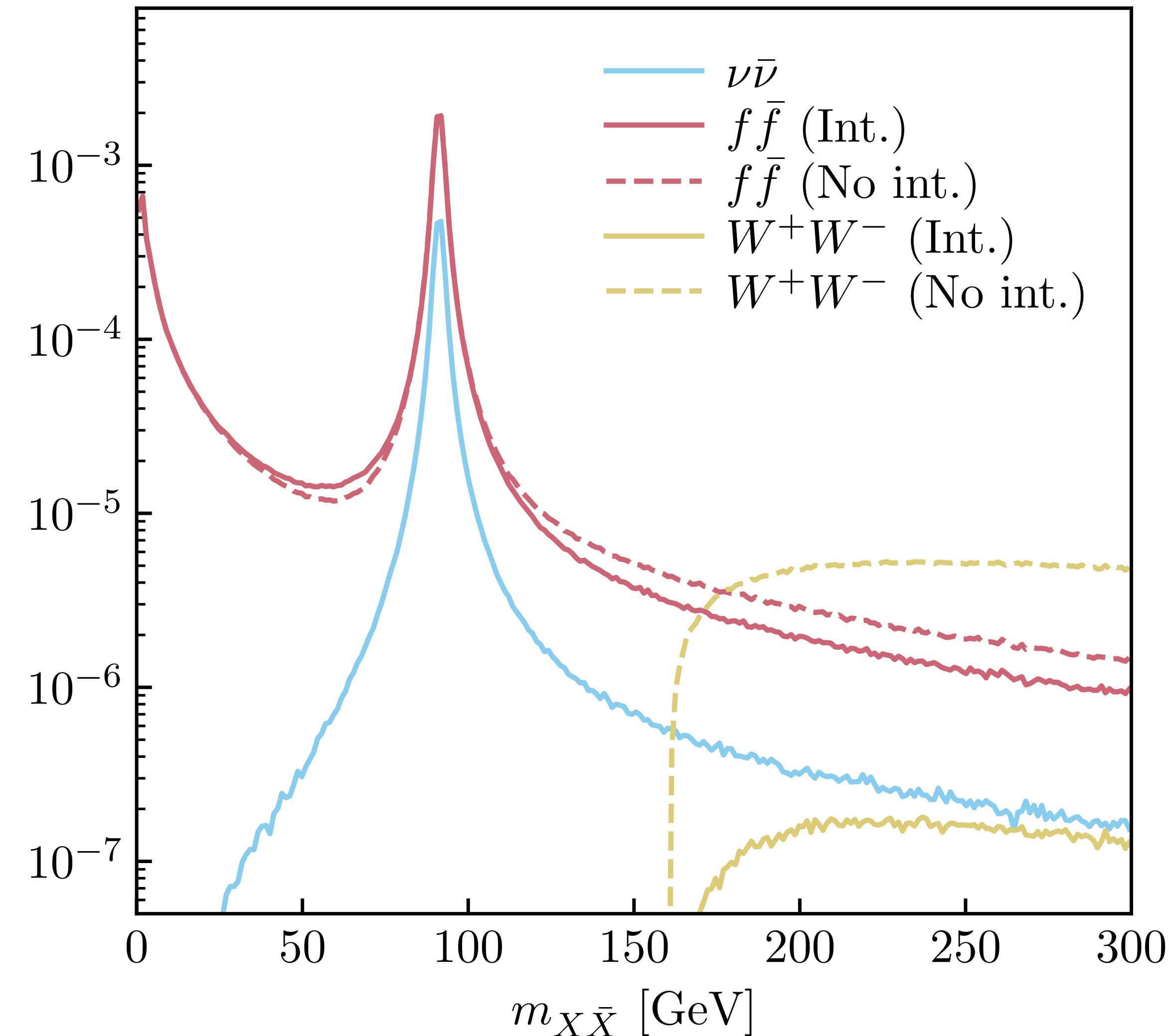
$$w = \frac{\left| \begin{array}{c} \text{Circular vertex with } \gamma \\ \times \text{ wavy line } Z_T \end{array} \right|^2 + \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{Circular vertex with } h \\ \times \text{ wavy line } Z_T \end{array} \right|^2}{\left| \begin{array}{c} \text{Circular vertex with } \gamma \\ \times \text{ wavy line } Z_T \end{array} \right|^2 + \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{Circular vertex with } h \\ \times \text{ wavy line } Z_T \end{array} \right|^2}$$

# Bosonic Interference

$e_L \rightarrow e_L \gamma / Z_T \rightarrow e_L X \bar{X}$

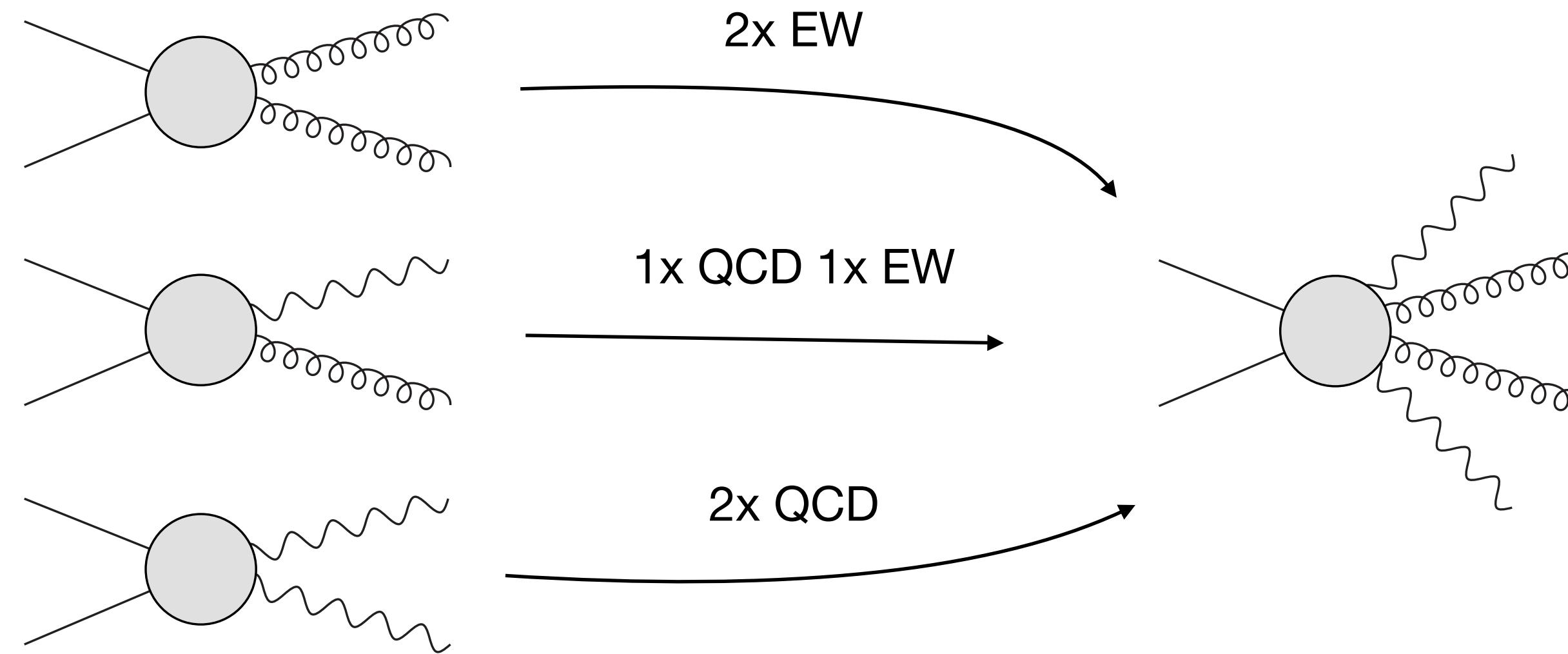


$e_R \rightarrow e_R \gamma / Z_T \rightarrow e_R X \bar{X}$

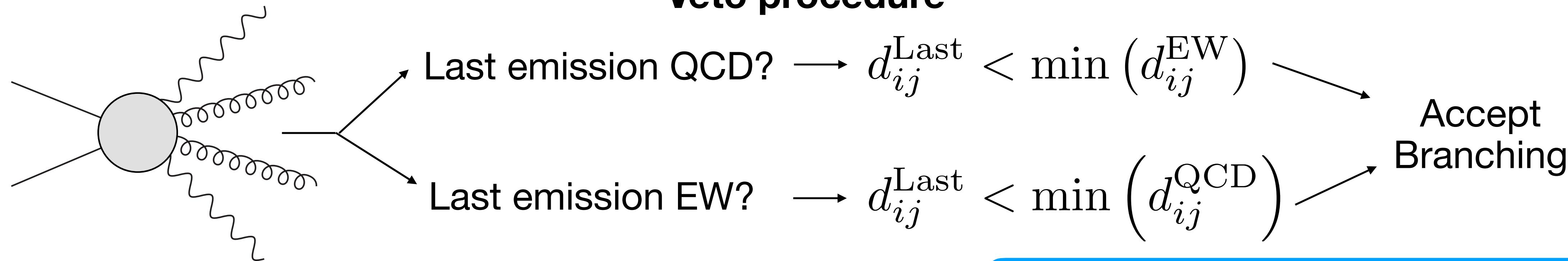


# Overlap Veto

## Double counting problem



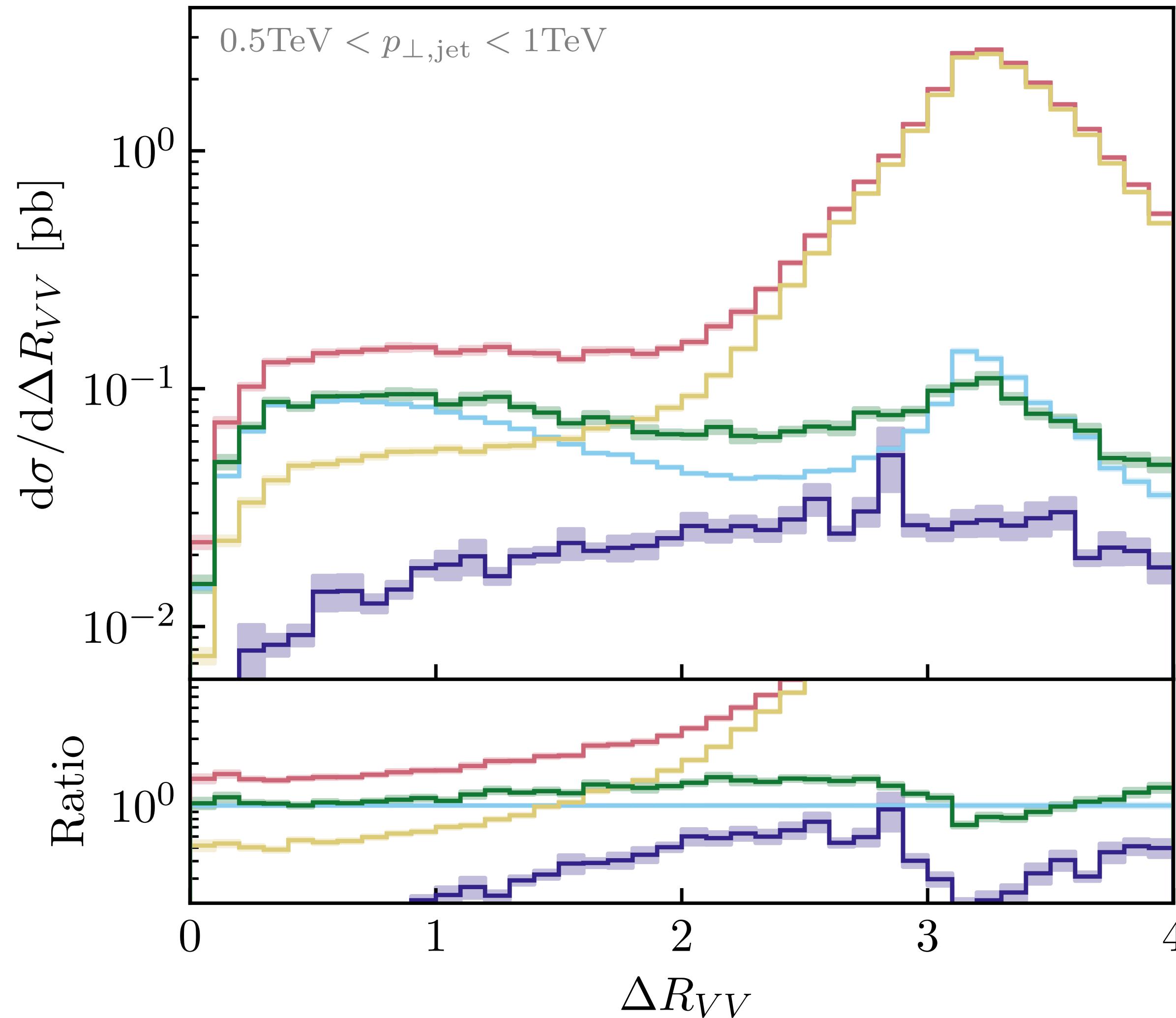
## Veto procedure



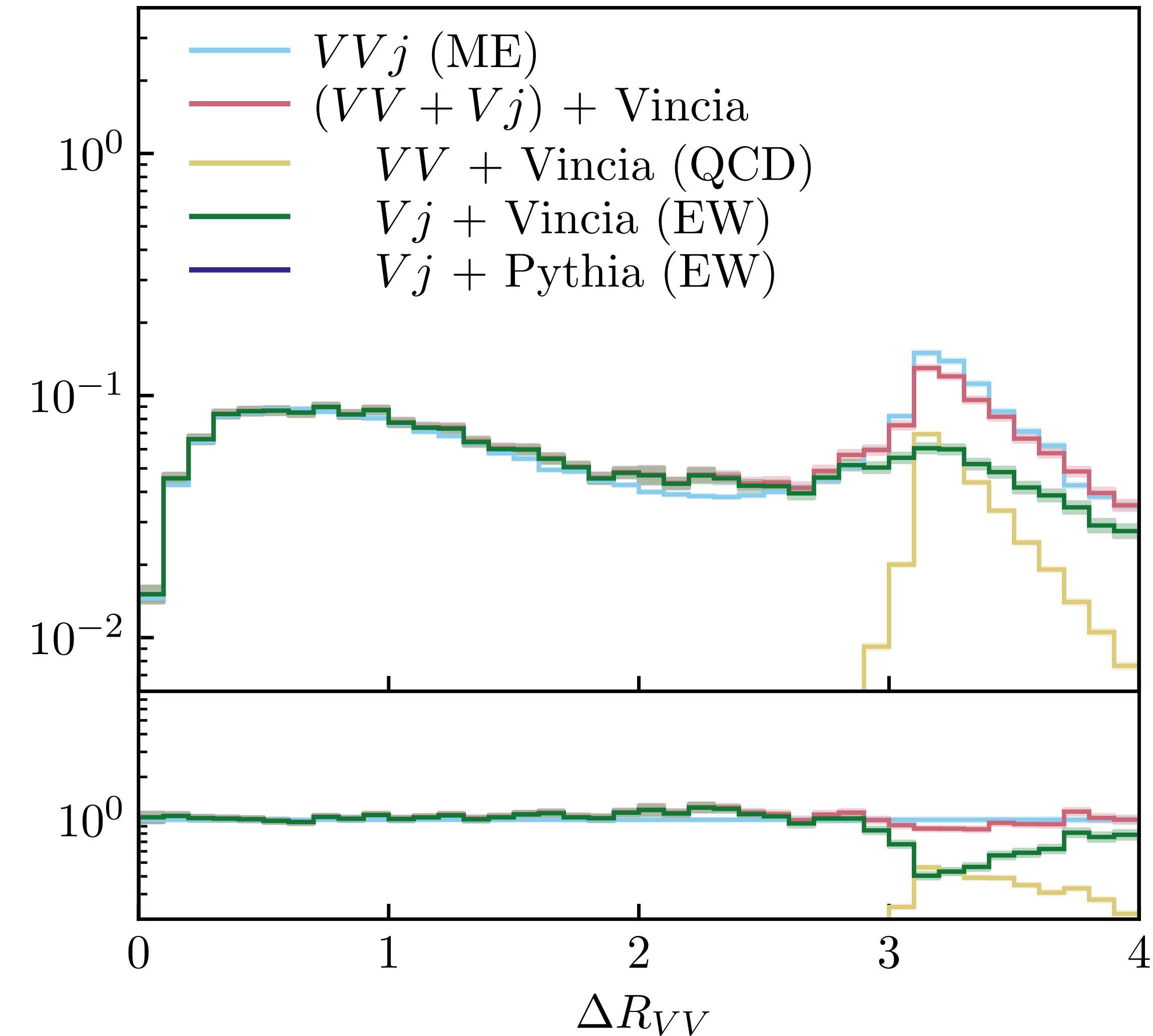
$$d_{ij} = \min(k_{T,i}^2, k_{T,j}^2) \frac{\Delta_{ij}}{R} + m_i^2 + m_j^2 - m^2$$

# Overlap Veto

$pp \rightarrow VVj$  (no overlap veto)



$pp \rightarrow VVj$  (overlap veto)



# Resonance Matching

**Branchings like**  $t \rightarrow bW, Z \rightarrow q\bar{q}$  etc.

- Large scales:  
EW shower offers best description
- Small scales:  
Breit-Wigner distribution

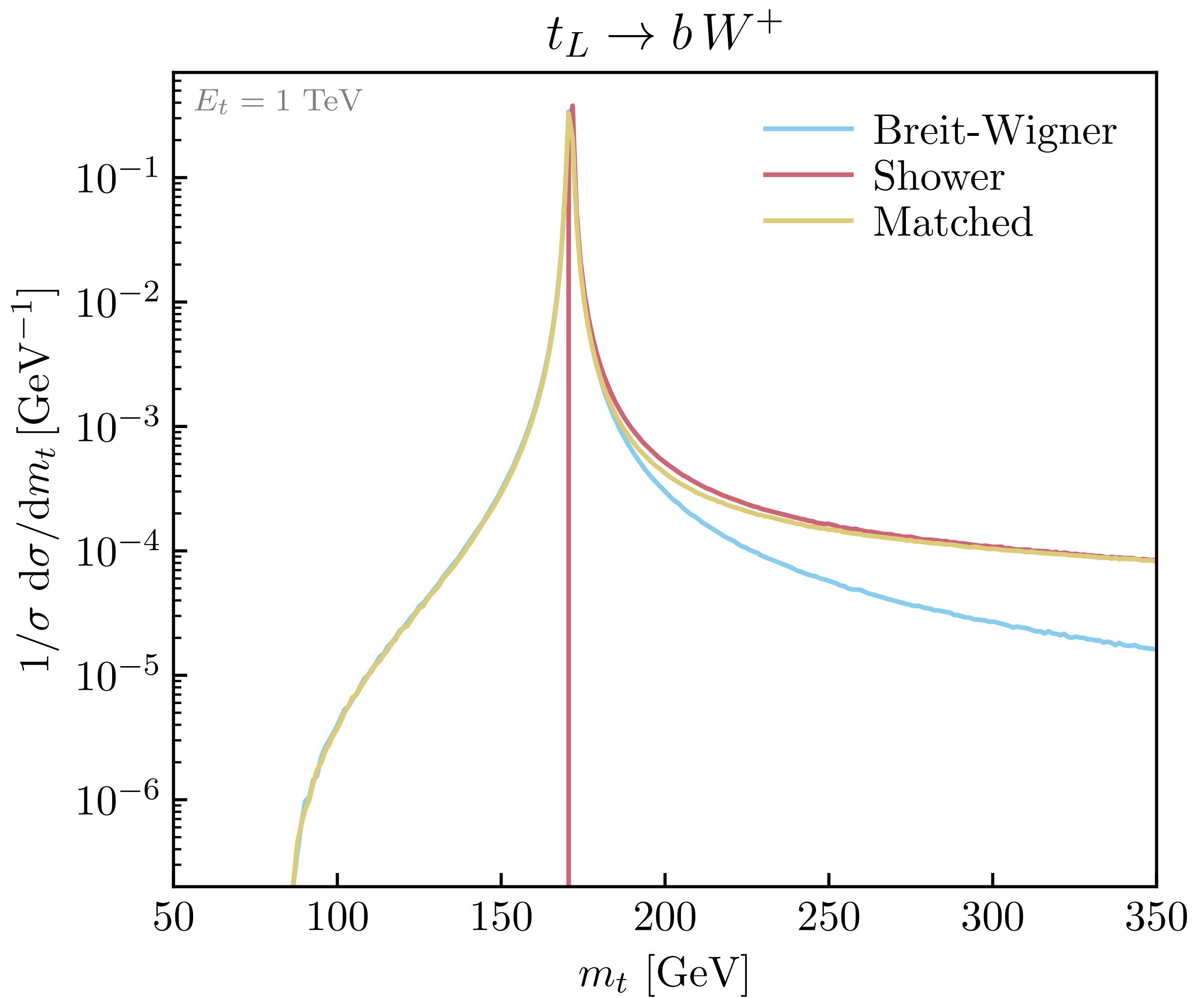
$$\text{BW}(Q^2) \propto \frac{m_0 \Gamma(m)}{Q^4 + m_0^2 \Gamma(m)^2}$$

**Matching:**

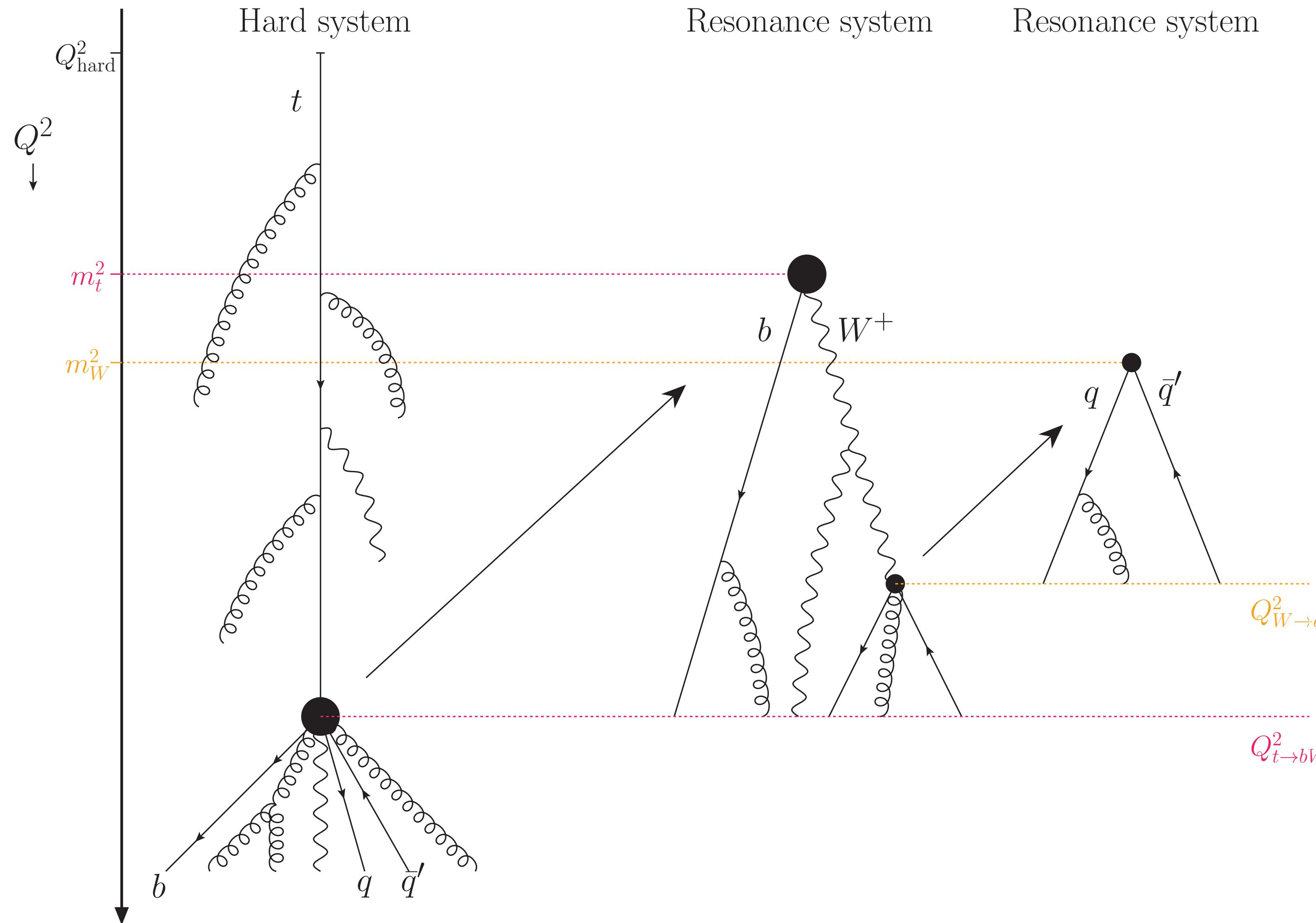
- Sample mass from Breit-Wigner upon production
- Suppress shower by factor

$$\frac{Q^4}{(Q^2 + Q_{\text{EW}}^2)^2}$$

- Decay when shower hits off-shellness scale



# Interleaved Resonance Decays



## Sequential

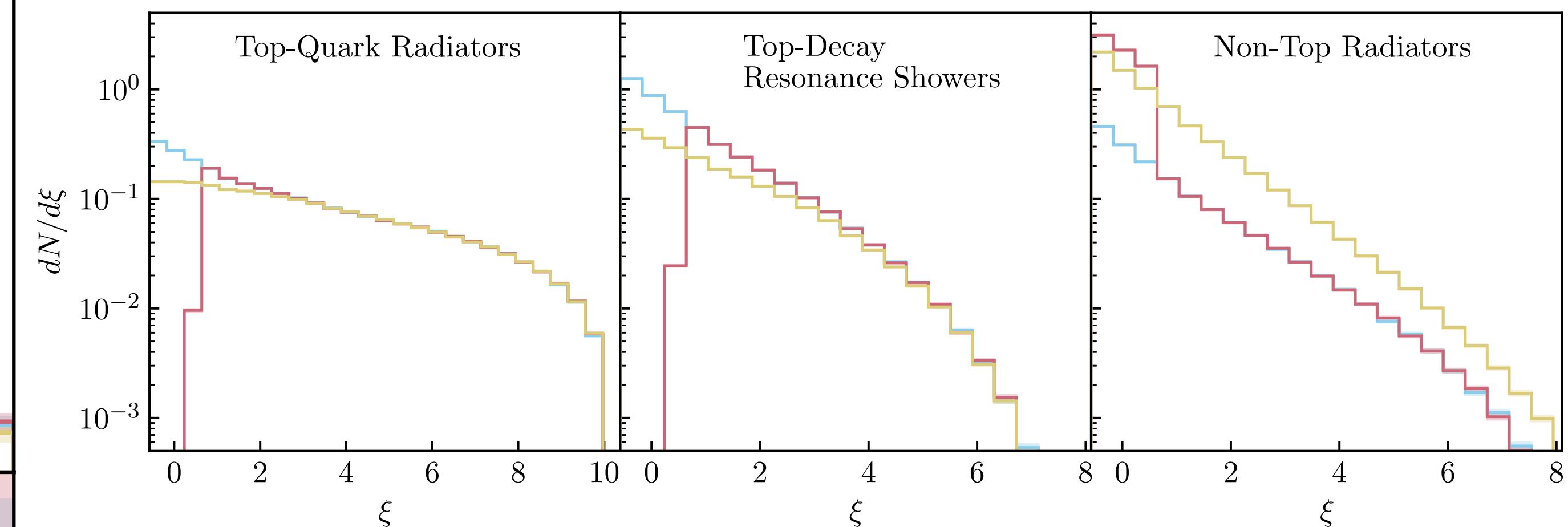
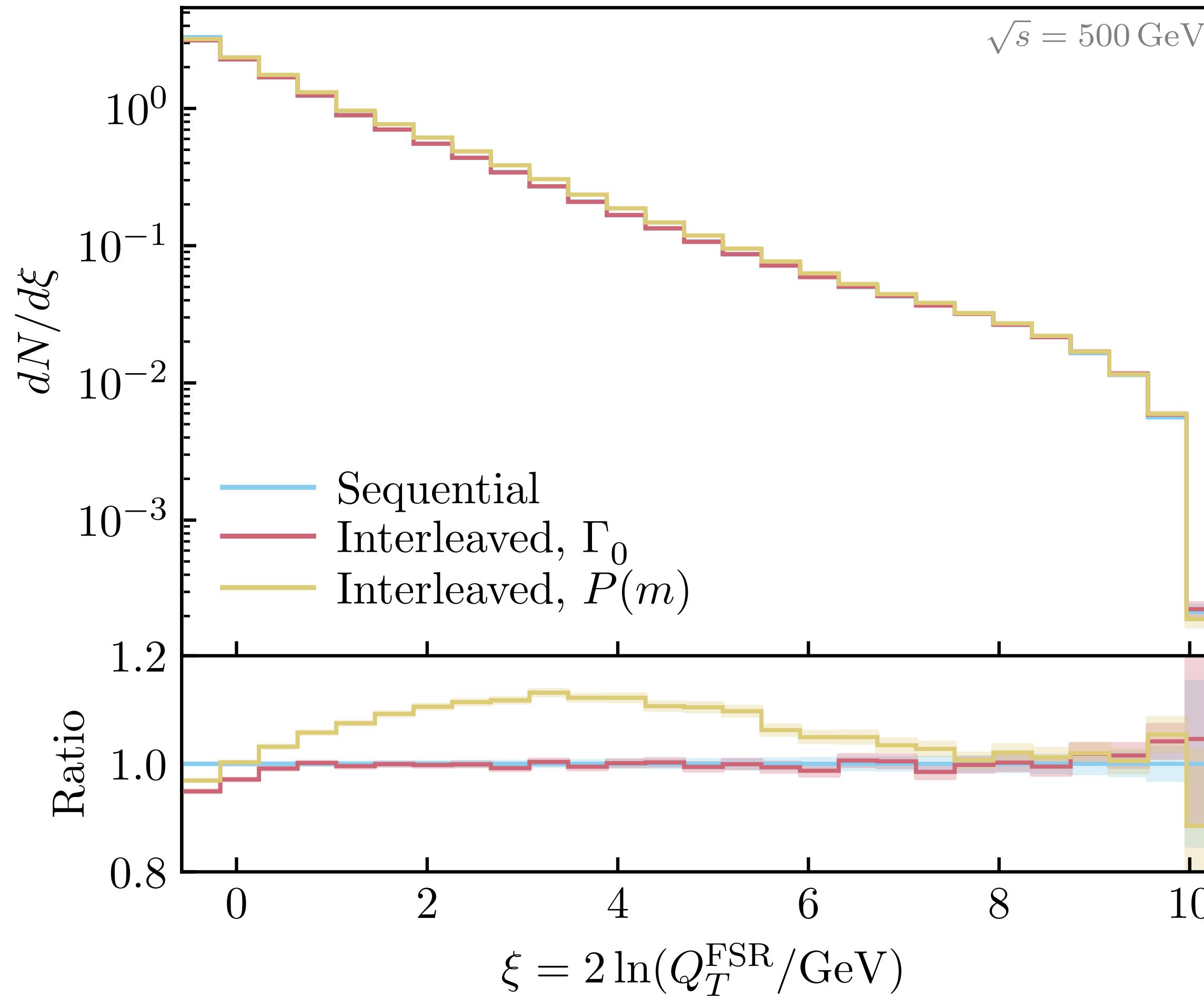
- Complete evolution of the hard system
- Perform resonance shower

## Interleaved

- Evolution up to offshellness scale of the resonance
- Perform resonance shower
- Insert showered decay products and continue evolution

# Interleaved Resonance Decays

$ee \rightarrow t\bar{t}$  (Parton level)



# Conclusions

## QED Shower

- Includes full soft multipole structure, while interleaved with QCD shower

## EW Shower

- Rich physics & many features unique to the EW sector
  - EW symmetry breaking / Goldstone contributions
  - Matching to resonance decays
  - Neutral boson interference
  - Overlap between hard scatterings
- Many other features yet to implement
  - Treatment of soft & spin interference
  - Bloch-Nordsieck violations

## Interleaved Resonance Decays

- Physically-intuitive treatment of finite-width / offshell resonances
- More results in

QED & EW shower, and interleaved resonance decays available in Pythia 8.304