

The Proton Energy-Energy Correlator

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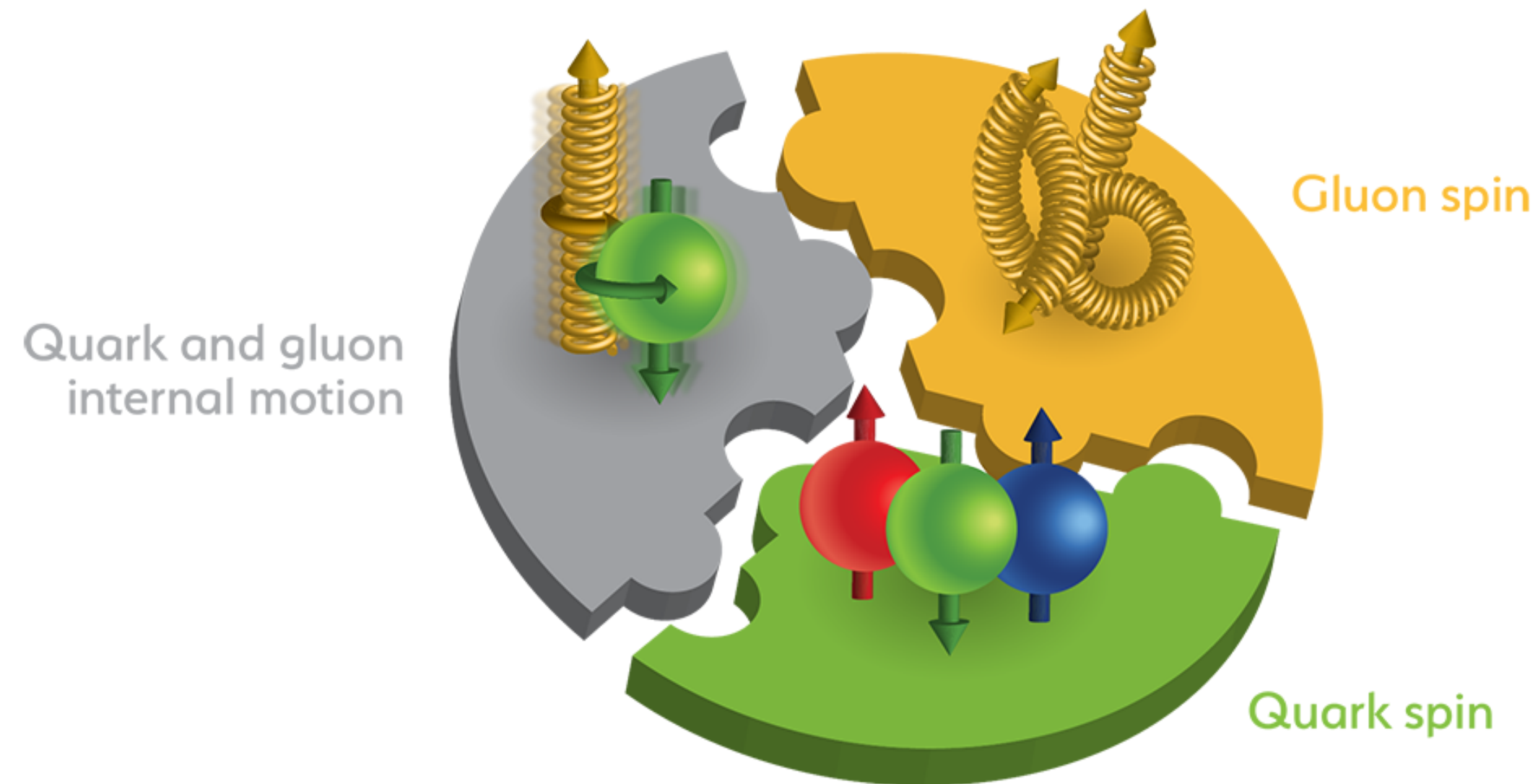


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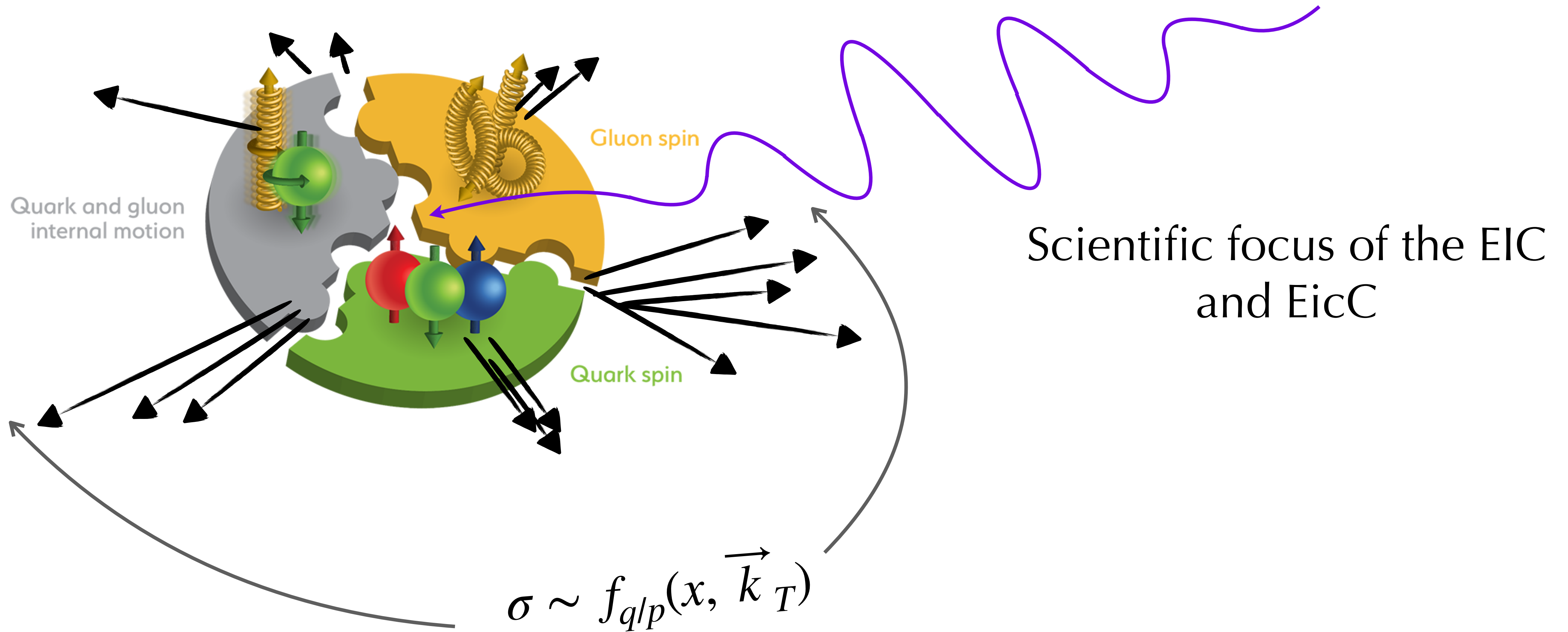


- A lot yet to answer
 - Spin components
 - $1/2 = 30\% + ? + ?$
 - Mass decomposition
 - proton mass $\sim 1\text{ GeV}$, quark mass $\sim \text{keV}$
 - ...

Transverse Momentum Dependent Parton Distribution Function (TMD PDFs)

$$f_{q/p}(x, \vec{k}_T) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dy^- d^2\vec{y}_T e^{ixp^+y^-} e^{i\vec{k}_T \cdot \vec{y}_T} \langle p | \bar{\psi}(0) \frac{\gamma^+}{2} \mathcal{W}(\vec{y}_T, y^-) \psi(\vec{y}_T, y^-) | p \rangle$$

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SIDIS

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Pro: well understood

Con: 2 non-pert objects
convolution

Jet based

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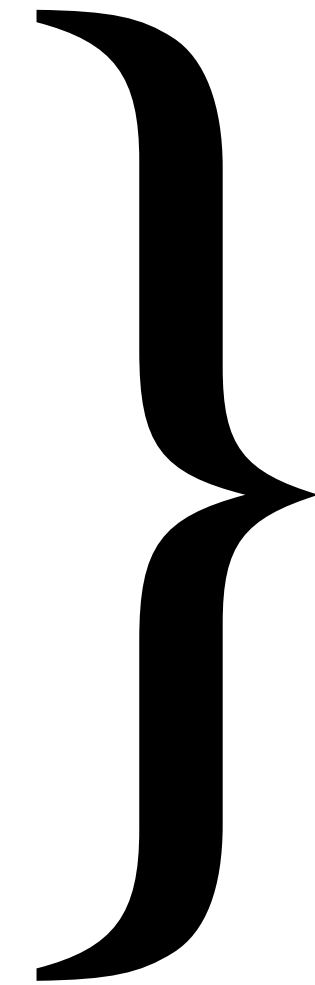
Pro: Theoretically cleaner
Flexibility

Con: clustering, low
energy machine? Spin
structures?
convolution

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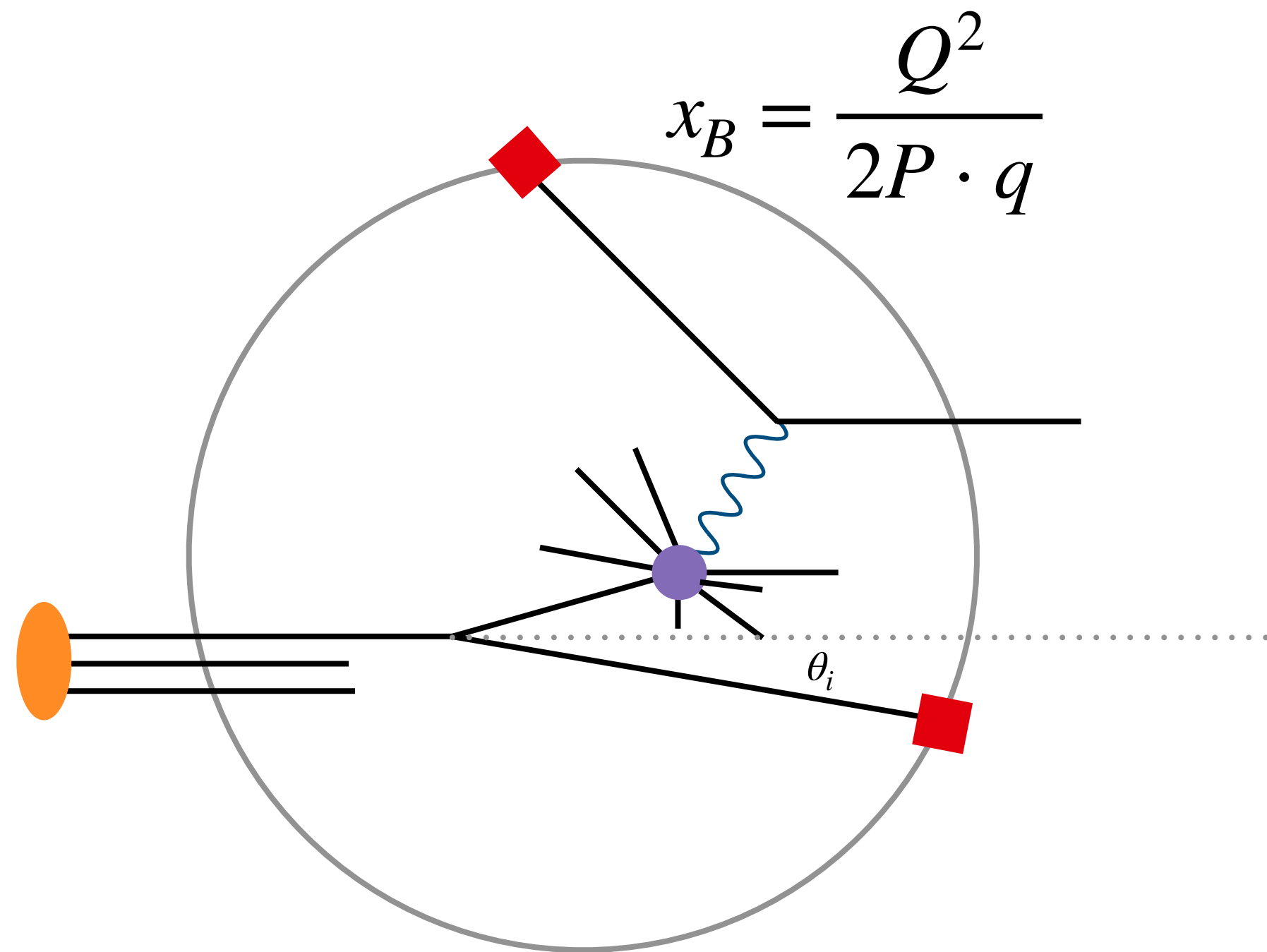


Final state correlations

Indirect probe of the nucleon
microscopic structures
through TMDs



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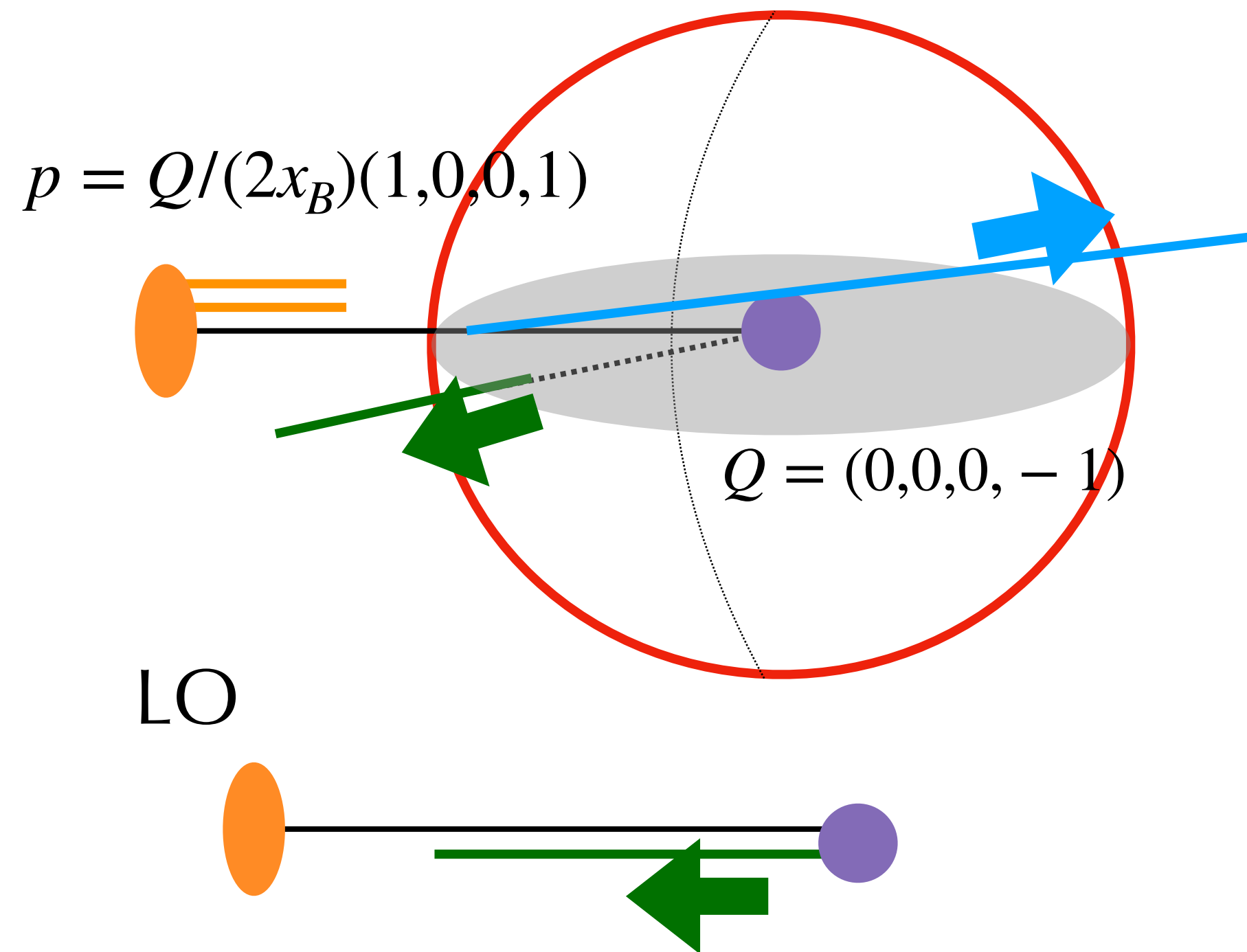


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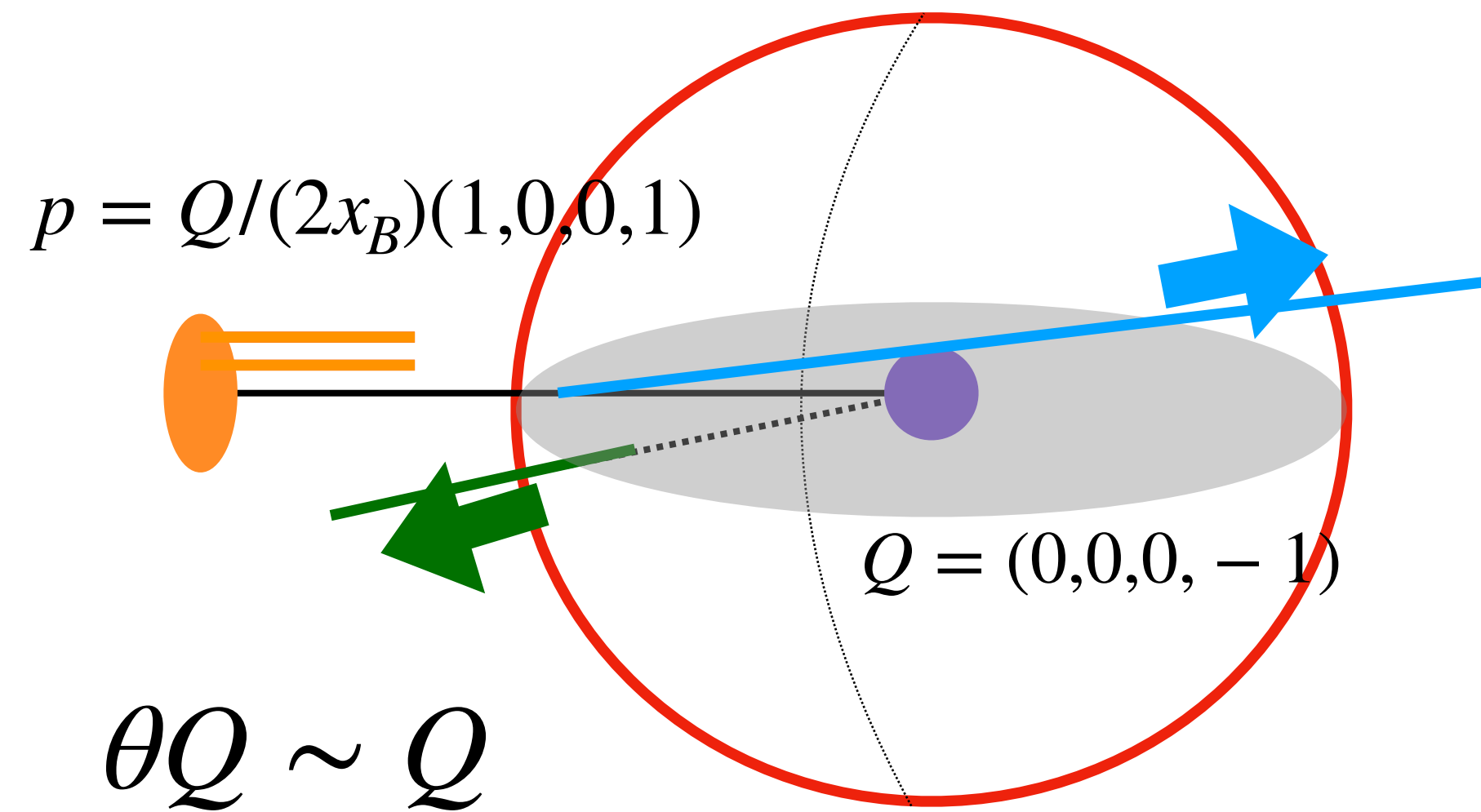


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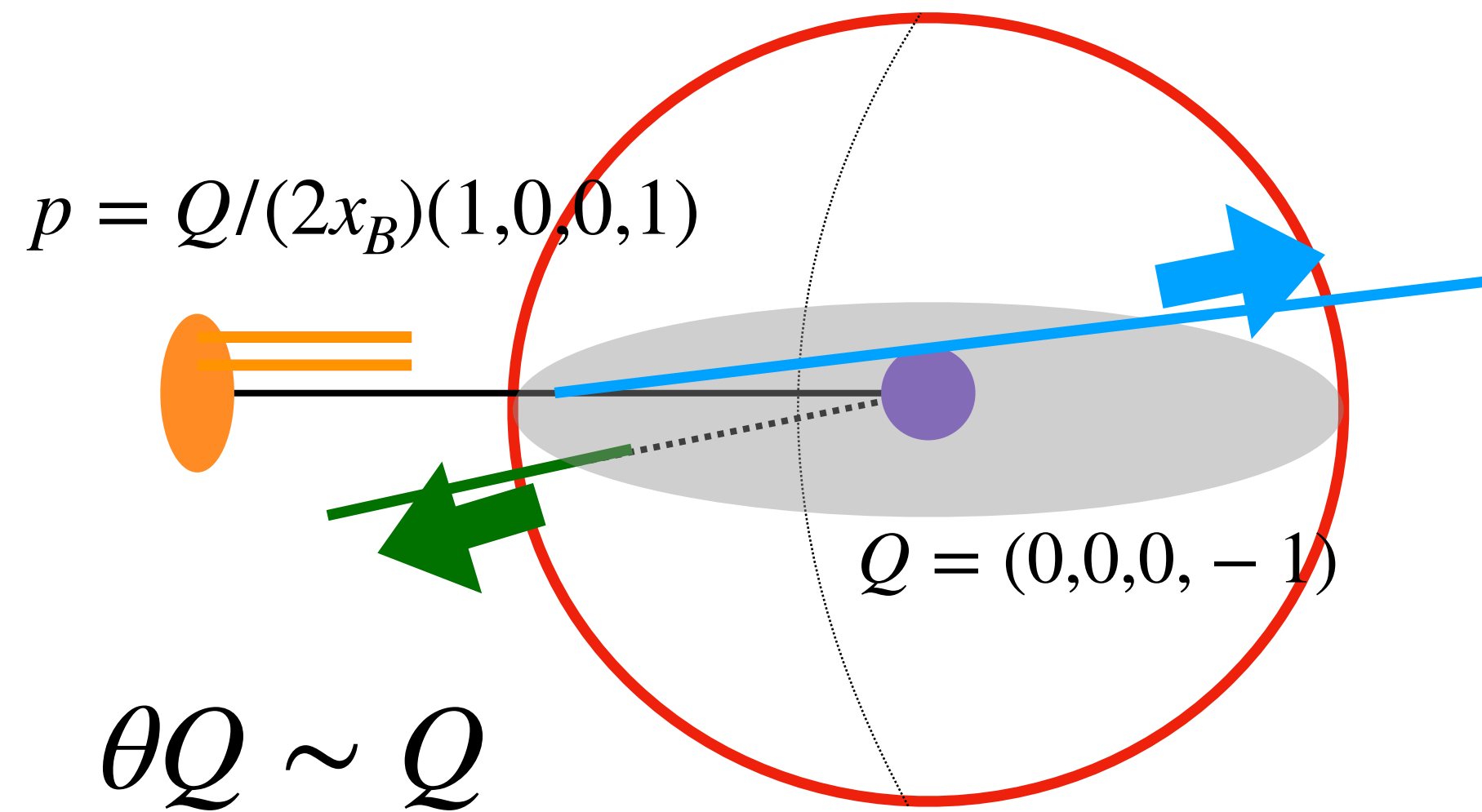
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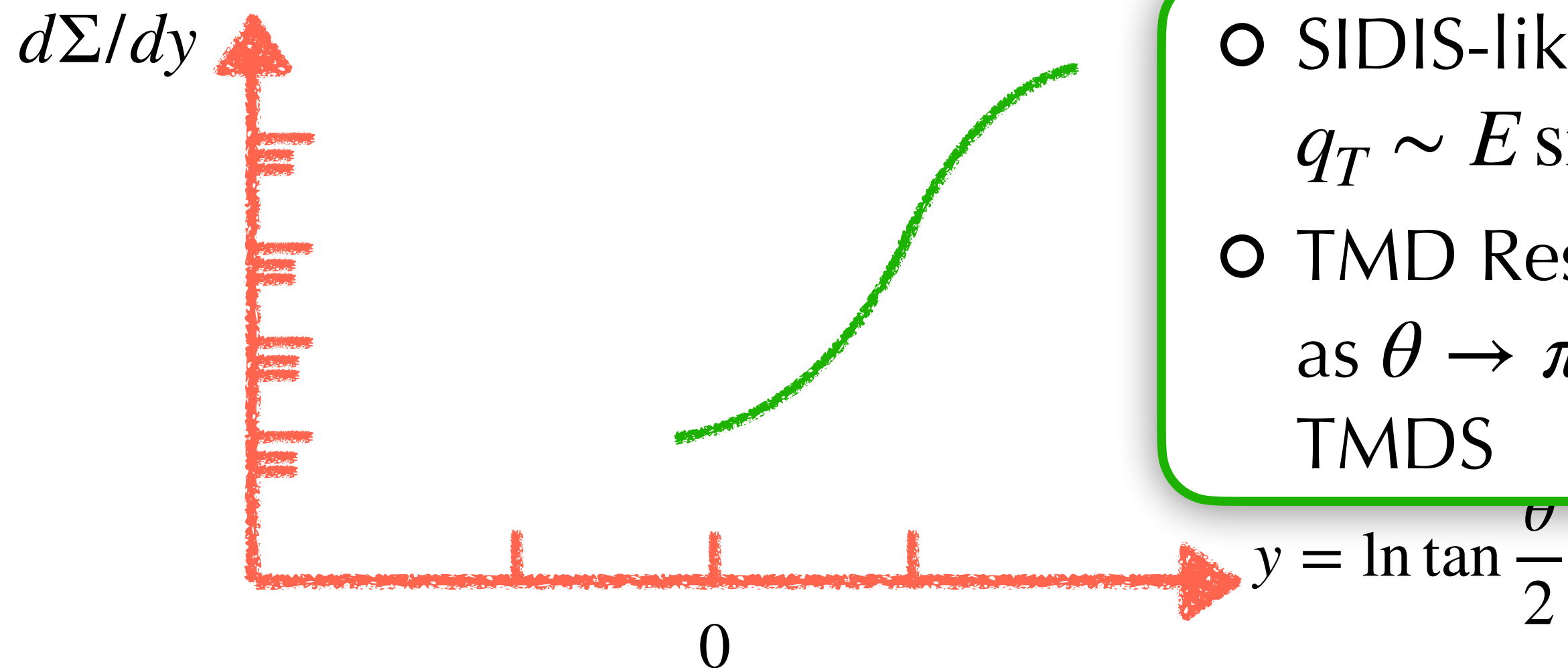
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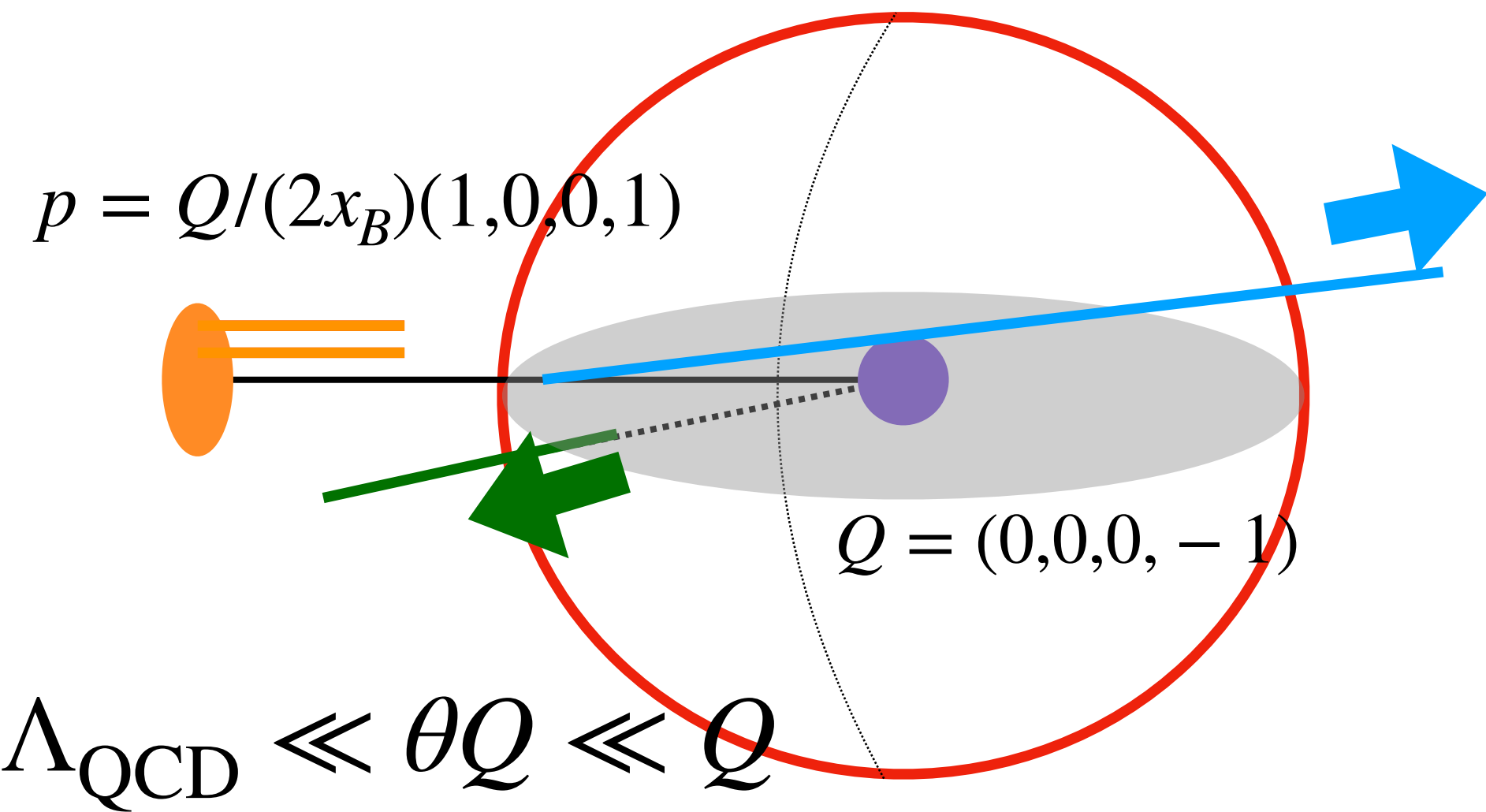
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- SIDIS-like distribution,
 $q_T \sim E \sin \theta$
- TMD Resummation required as $\theta \rightarrow \pi$, able to probe TMDS

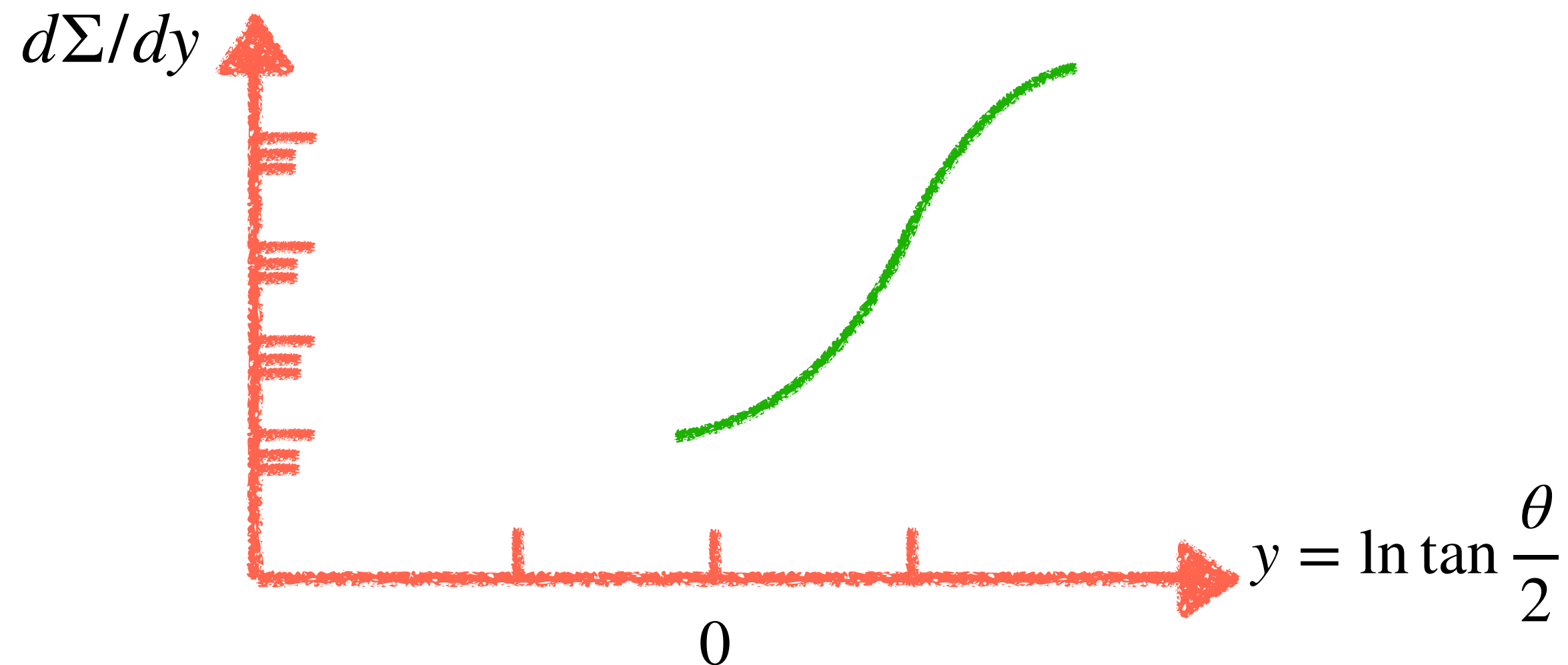
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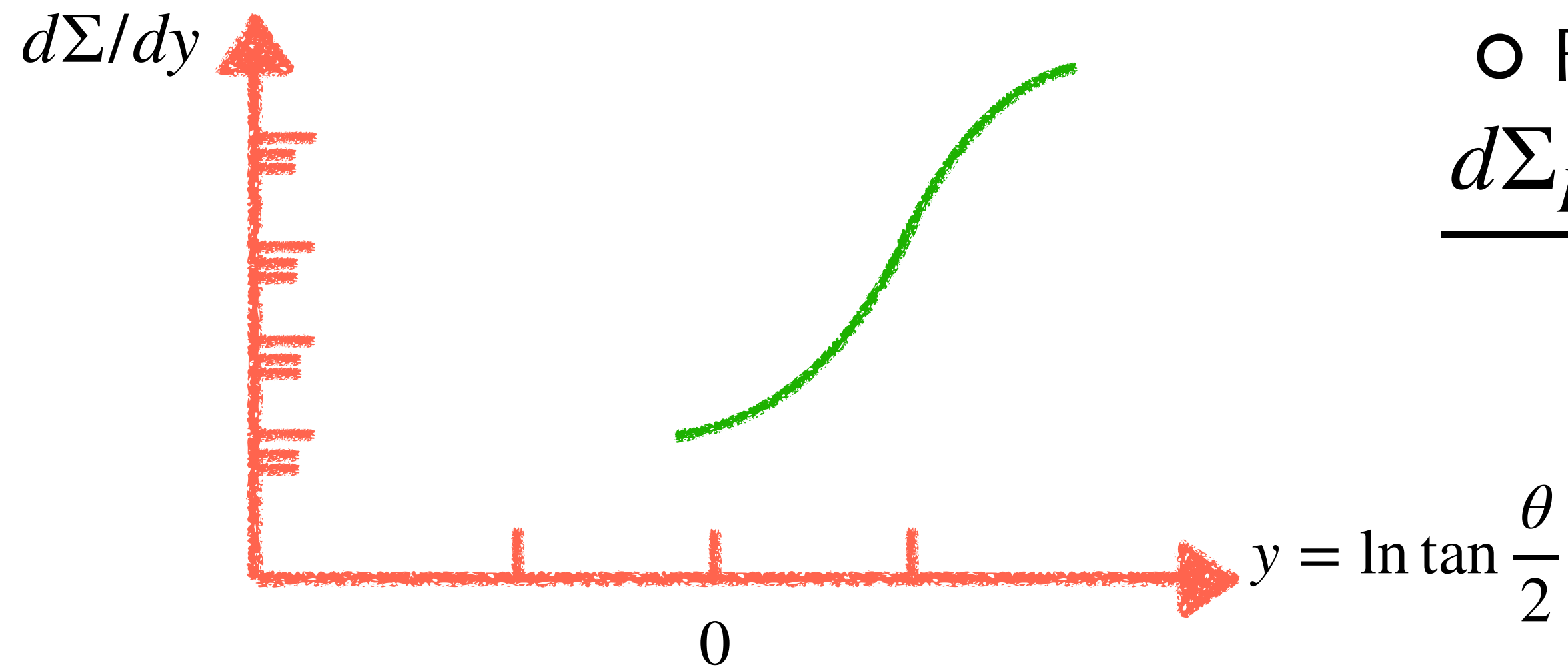
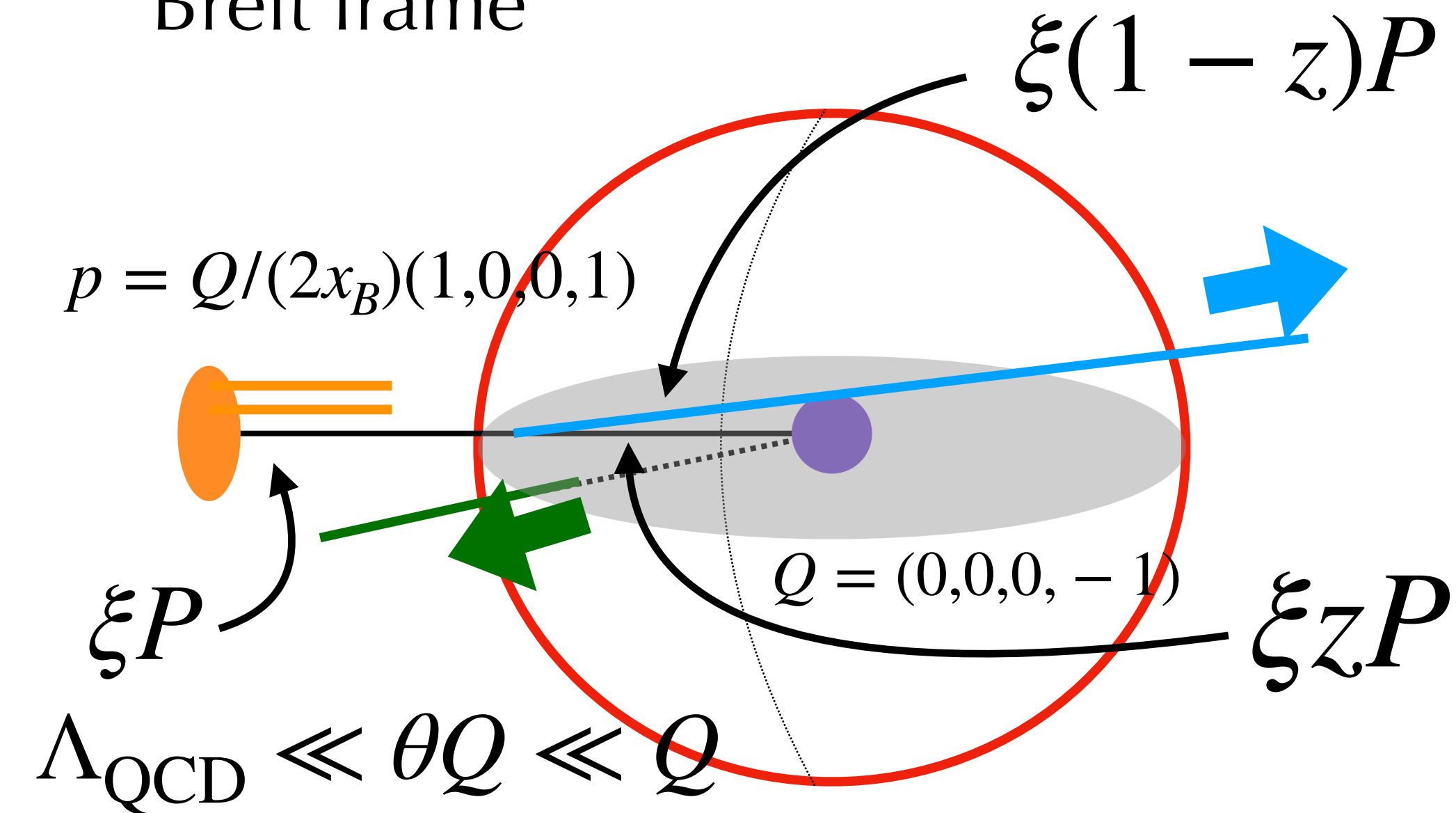
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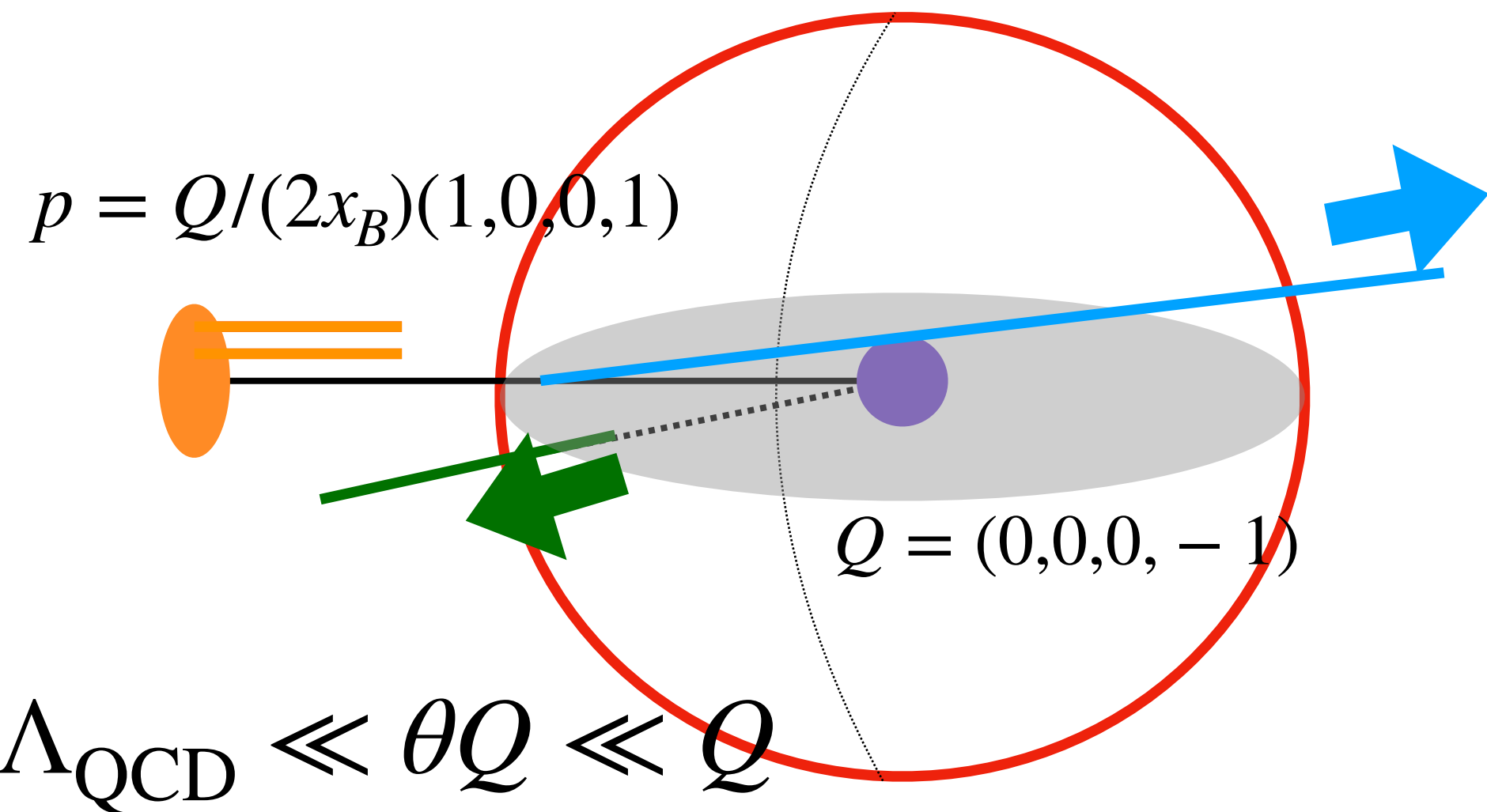
- Factorized form

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\Sigma_{LO}(\theta, N)}{d\theta} &= \int (\xi z)^{N-1} \xi(1-z) \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{DIS}}{\sigma_{tot}} \frac{2}{\theta} P(z) f(\xi) \\ &= \frac{2}{\theta} \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{DIS}}{\sigma_{tot}} (P(N) - P(N+1)) f(N+1) \end{aligned}$$

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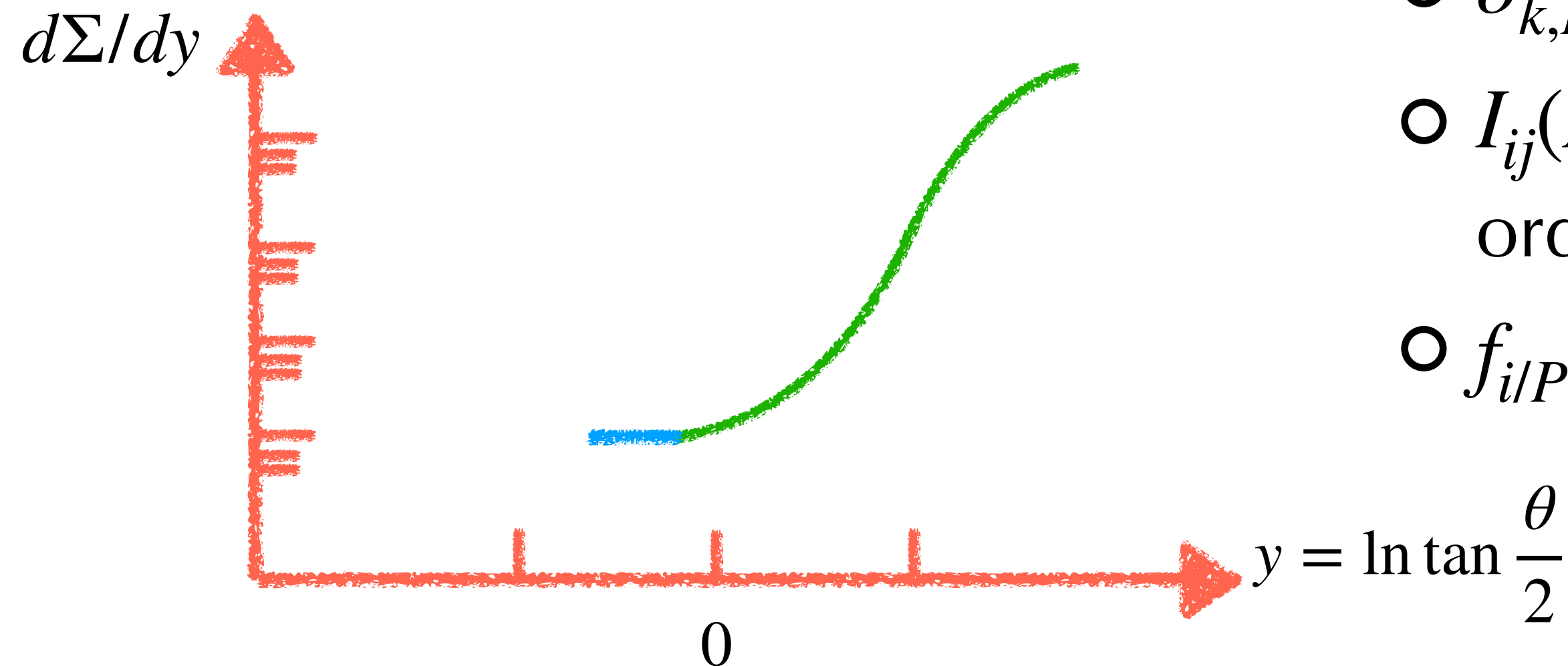
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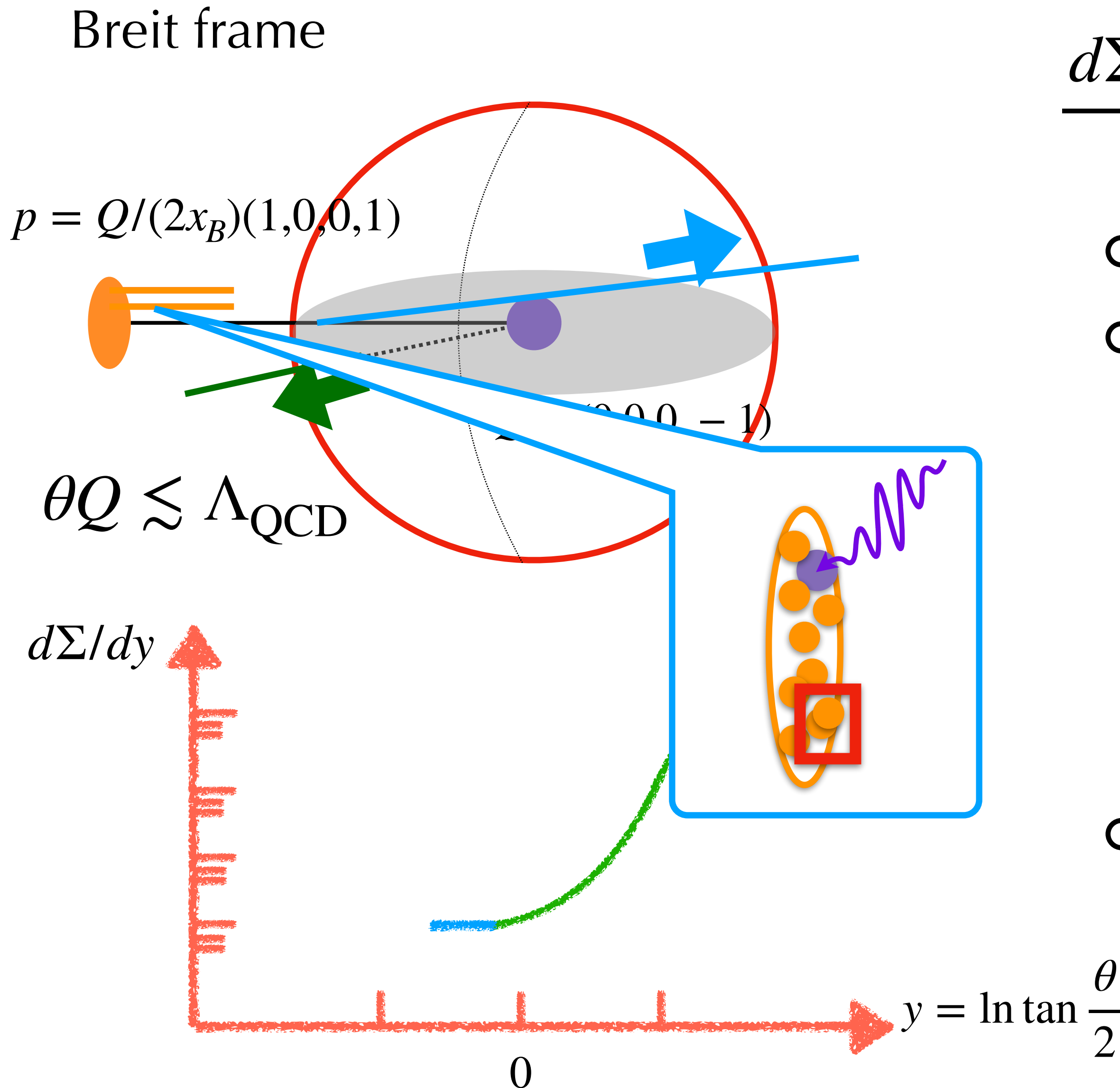
$$\left(I_{ij}(N, N+1) + \begin{array}{l} \text{Running coupling} \\ \text{effects, scaling} \\ \text{law mixing} \end{array} \right) f_{j/P}(N+1)$$

$$\sim_{LL} \theta \frac{d}{d\theta} \left(e^{-\frac{2P(N)}{\beta_0} L} e^{\frac{2P(N+1)}{\beta_0} L} \right)_{ij}, L = \ln \frac{\alpha_s(Q\theta)}{\alpha_s(Q)}$$



- $\hat{\sigma}_{k,DIS}(N, \mu)$: moment of partonic DIS x-sec.
- $I_{ij}(N)$: contains moments of the splitting functions to all orders
- $f_{i/P}(N)$: moment of collinear PDF

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$$\frac{d\Sigma(\theta, N)}{d\theta} = \sum_{k=q,g} f_{k,\text{EEC}}(N, \theta, \mu) \frac{\hat{\sigma}_{k,\text{DIS}}(N, \mu)}{\sigma_0}$$

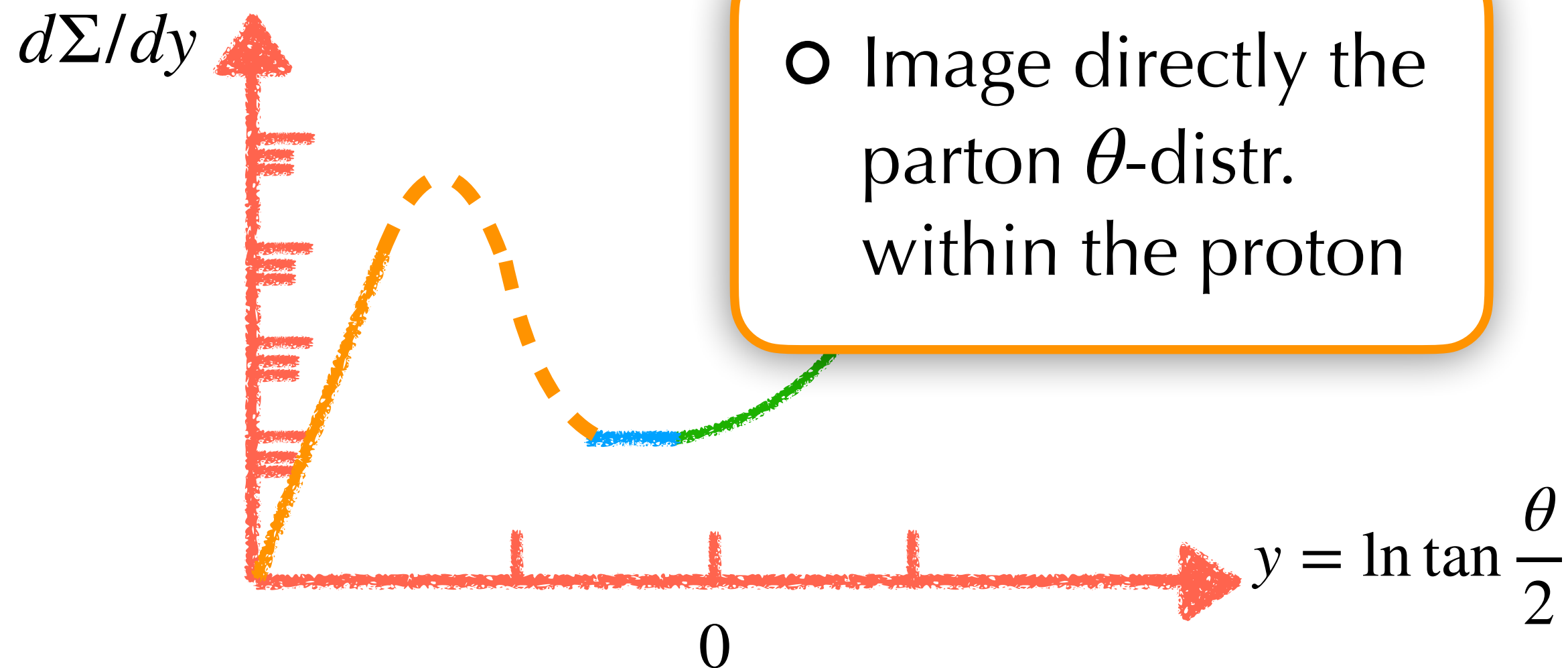
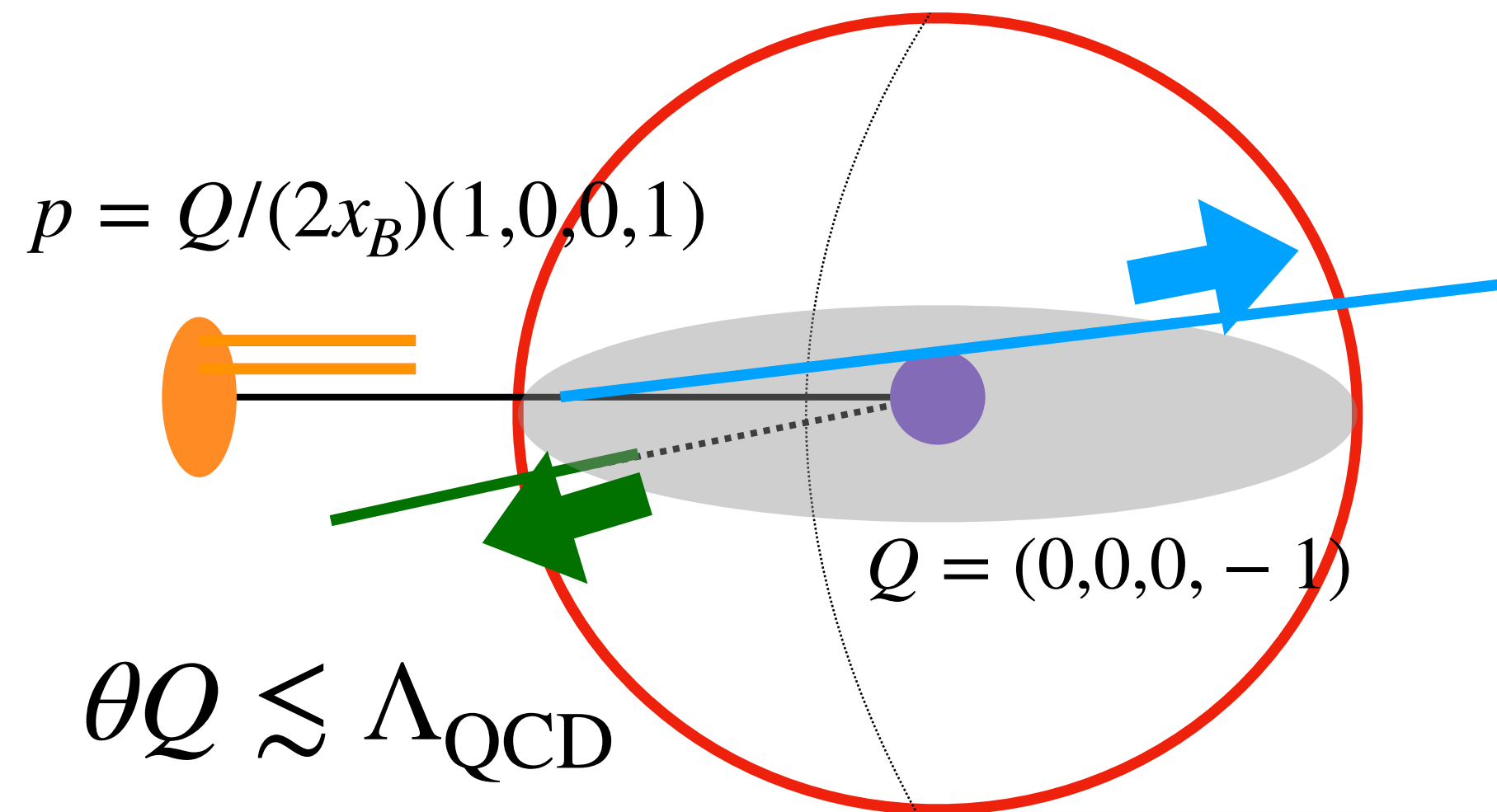
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- Detect the angular distribution of the partons
- Evolves like the PDF, no sudakov suppression
- Product form instead of convolution, nothing else, no clustering, no fragmentation ...

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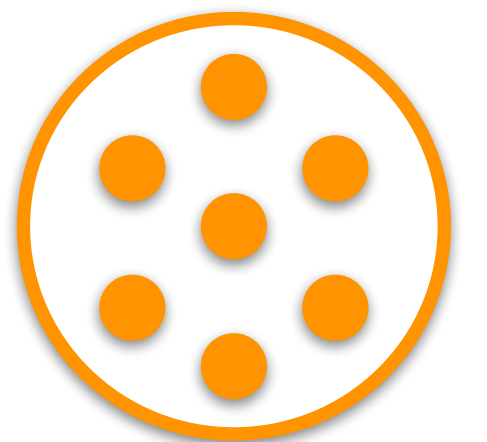
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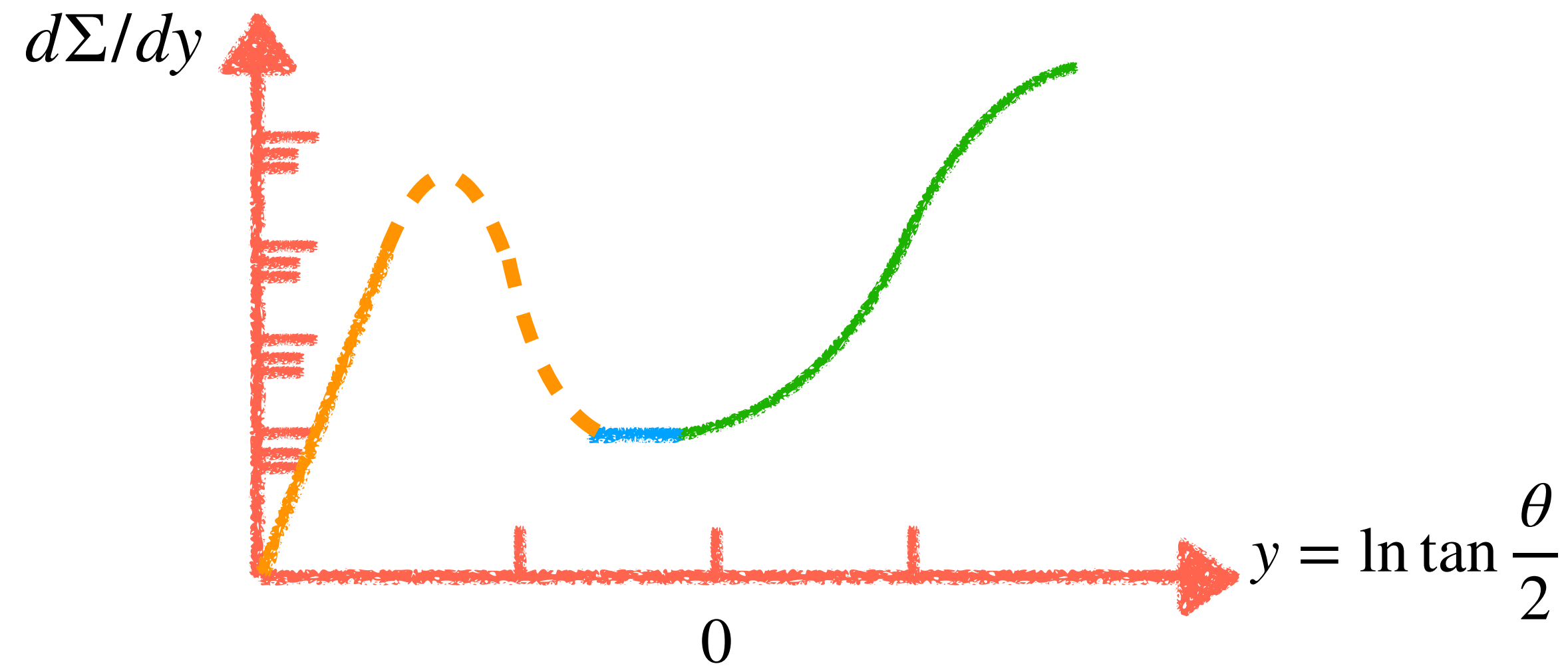
$\theta Q \ll \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$ Uniformly distributed free hadron gas

$$\theta \frac{d\Sigma(\theta, N)}{d\theta} \propto \theta \frac{d}{d\theta} \frac{a}{\pi(\tilde{P}\theta)^2} \sim \frac{1}{\theta^2} \sim e^{2y}$$



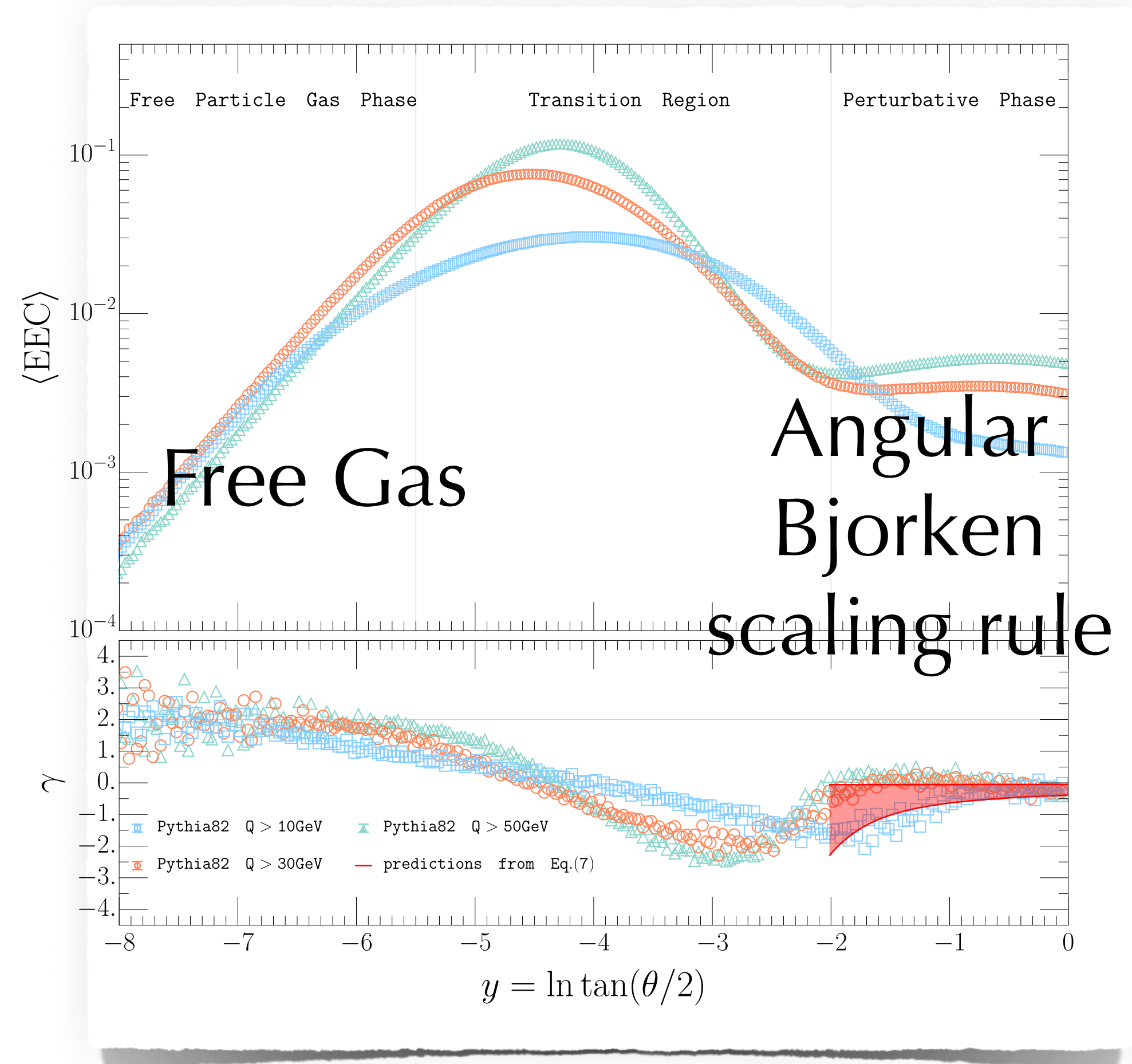
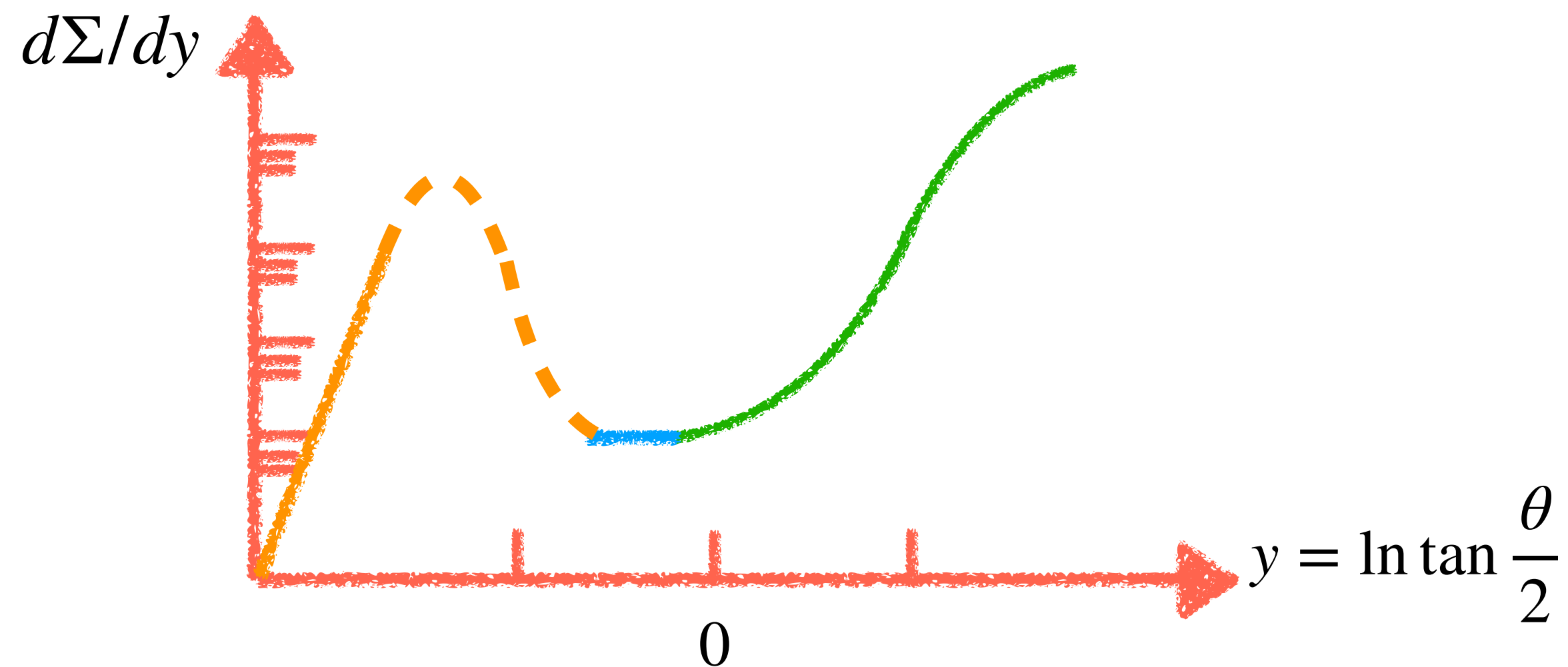
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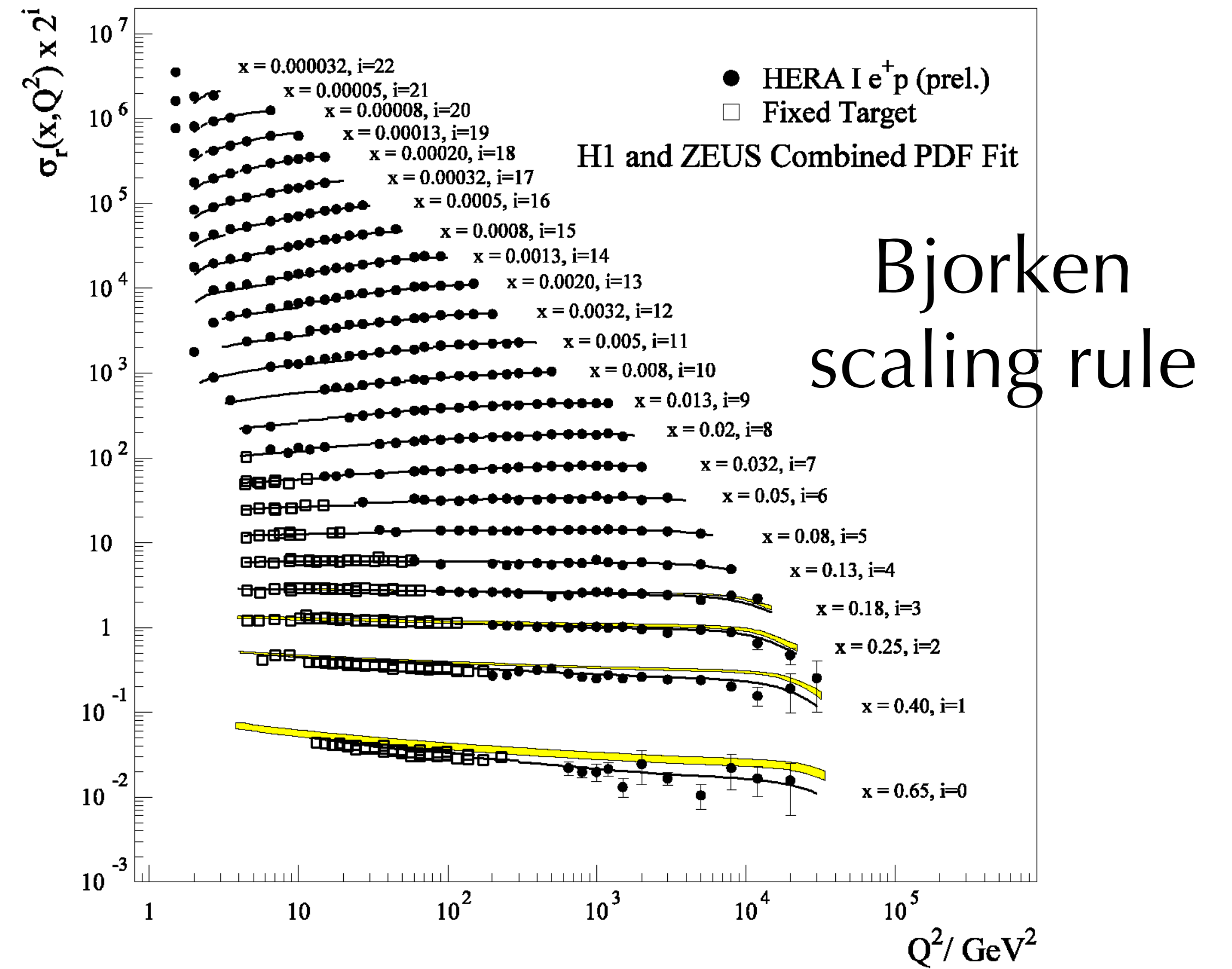
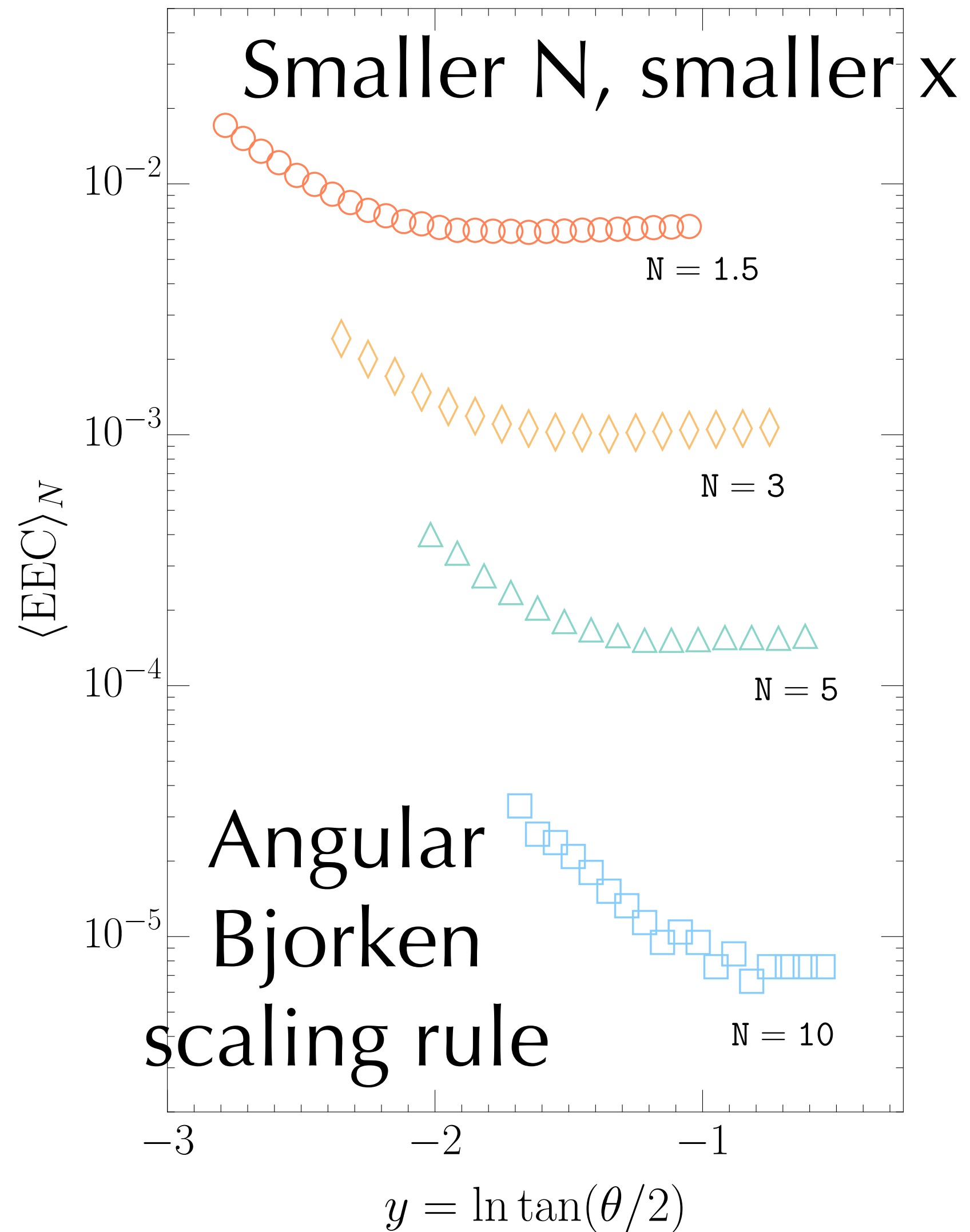
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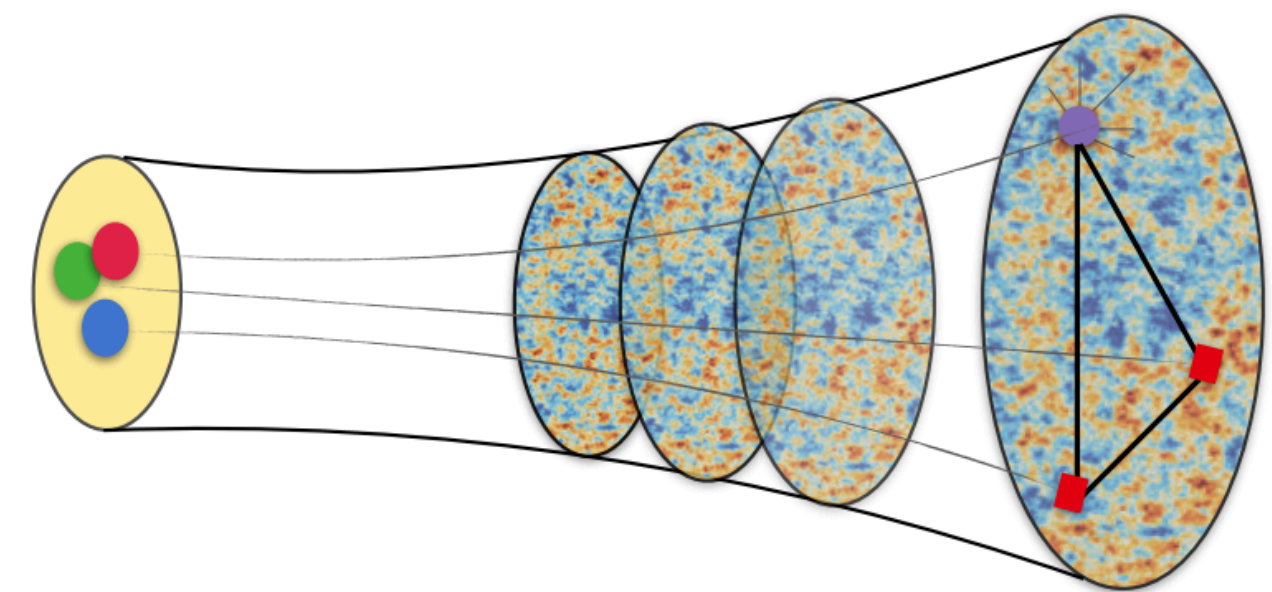
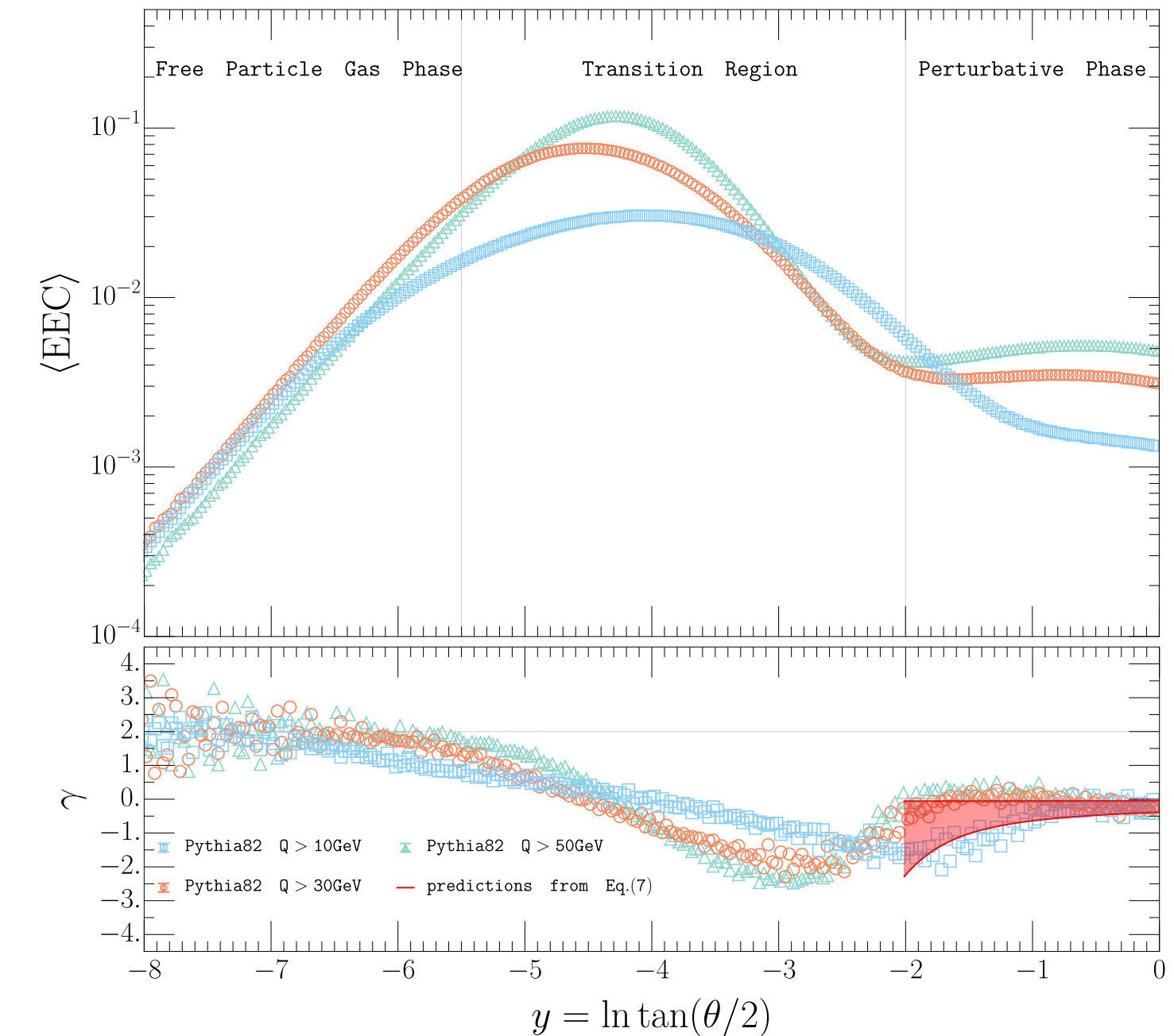
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$Q > 30\text{GeV}$



Conclusion

- Probe of the partonic angular structure
- Extremely clean, all ingredients known for at least NNLL
- Straightforward to generalize to spin by adding ϕ of the detector
- Small- x , medium effect modify the slope (slope fully determined by vacuum splitting kernel)
- Generalize to multiple correlators



Thanks