

# DEDUCTOR: a parton shower generator

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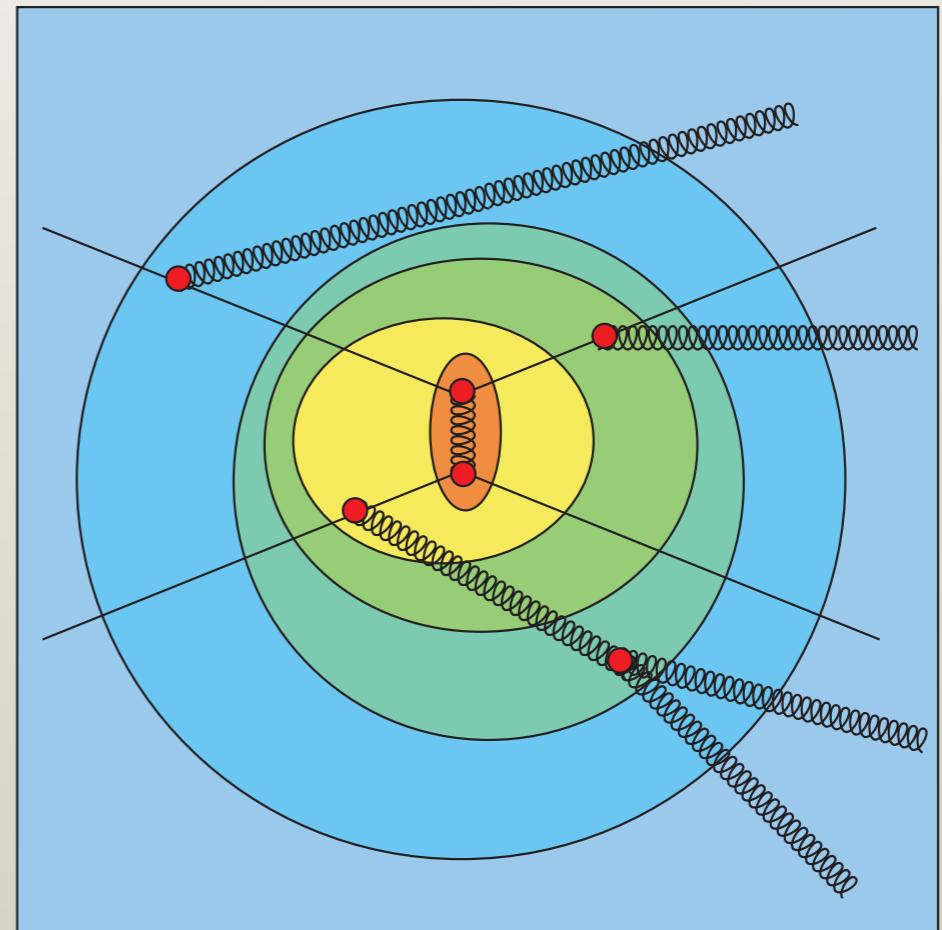
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# DEDUCTOR is hardness ordered

- Parton shower evolves with “shower time”  $t$ .
- Small  $t \Rightarrow$  hard.
- Large  $t \Rightarrow$  soft.
- For initial state interactions, evolution is backwards in physical time.
- This is similar to PYTHIA and SHERPA.



# Design goal

- The main goal is to have a structure that is adapted to a better treatment of color and spin.
- This treatment is only partly implemented for now.

# The shower state

- The fundamental object is the quantum density matrix in color and spin space, with basis vectors

$$|\{c, s\}_m\rangle \langle \{c', s'\}_m|$$

- For two initial state partons plus  $m$  final state partons, let

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be probability to have momenta  $\{p\}_m$  and flavors  $\{f\}_m$  and be in this color-spin state.

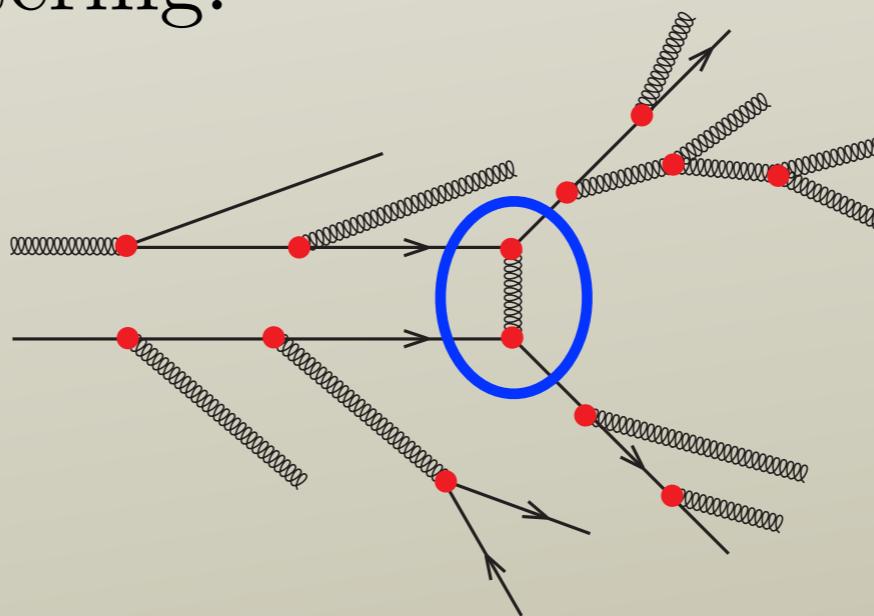
- Consider the function  $\rho(\{p, f, c', c, s', s\}_m, t)$  at fixed  $t$  as a vector  $|\rho(t)\rangle$ .

# Standard generators

- No spin, just average over spins.
- Diagonal color states only,  $|\{c\}_m\rangle\langle\{c\}_m|$
- Use the “leading color” approximation.

# Current DEDUCTOR

- No spin, just average over spins.
- Off diagonal color states,  $|\{c\}_m\rangle\langle\{c'\}_m|$ .
- Use an approximate version of color “LC+.”
- With color states  $|\{c\}_m\rangle\langle\{c'\}_m|$ , we can start the shower with color-ordered amplitudes for the hard scattering.



# Other differences

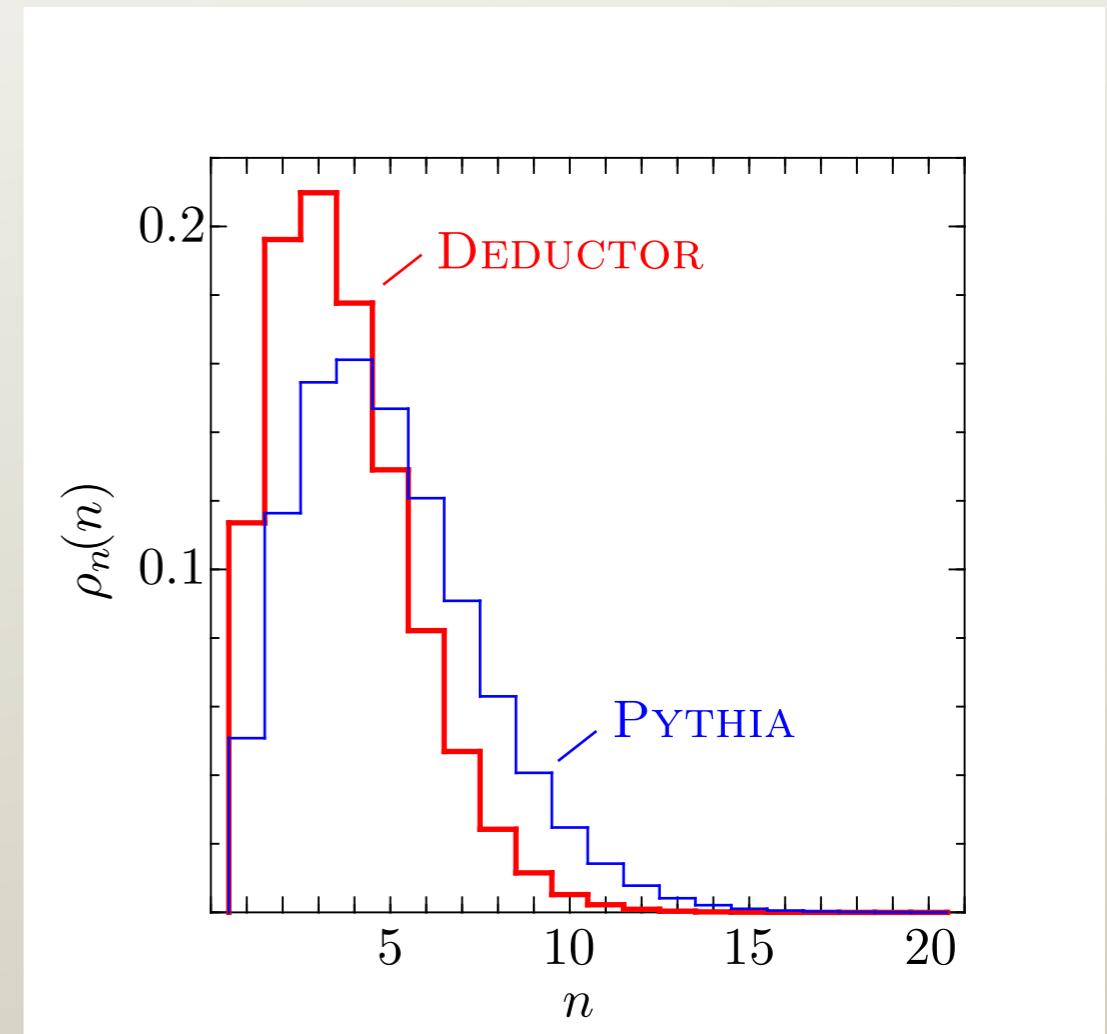
- Even with spin averaging and leading color, DEDUCTOR is not the same as PYTHIA or SHERPA.
- The splitting functions are more complicated.
- Initial state b and c quarks have masses.
- The shower ordering variable is not  $k_T$ .
- I will return to these last two points later.

# Comparisons to PYTHIA

- A parton shower generator is quite complicated.
- Thus we need some sanity checks.
- For this, we compare to PYTHIA at the parton level for an 8 TeV LHC.
- In DEDUCTOR, we use just leading color.
- We do not expect exact agreement. Our parton distributions are different and default PYTHIA has a larger strong coupling.

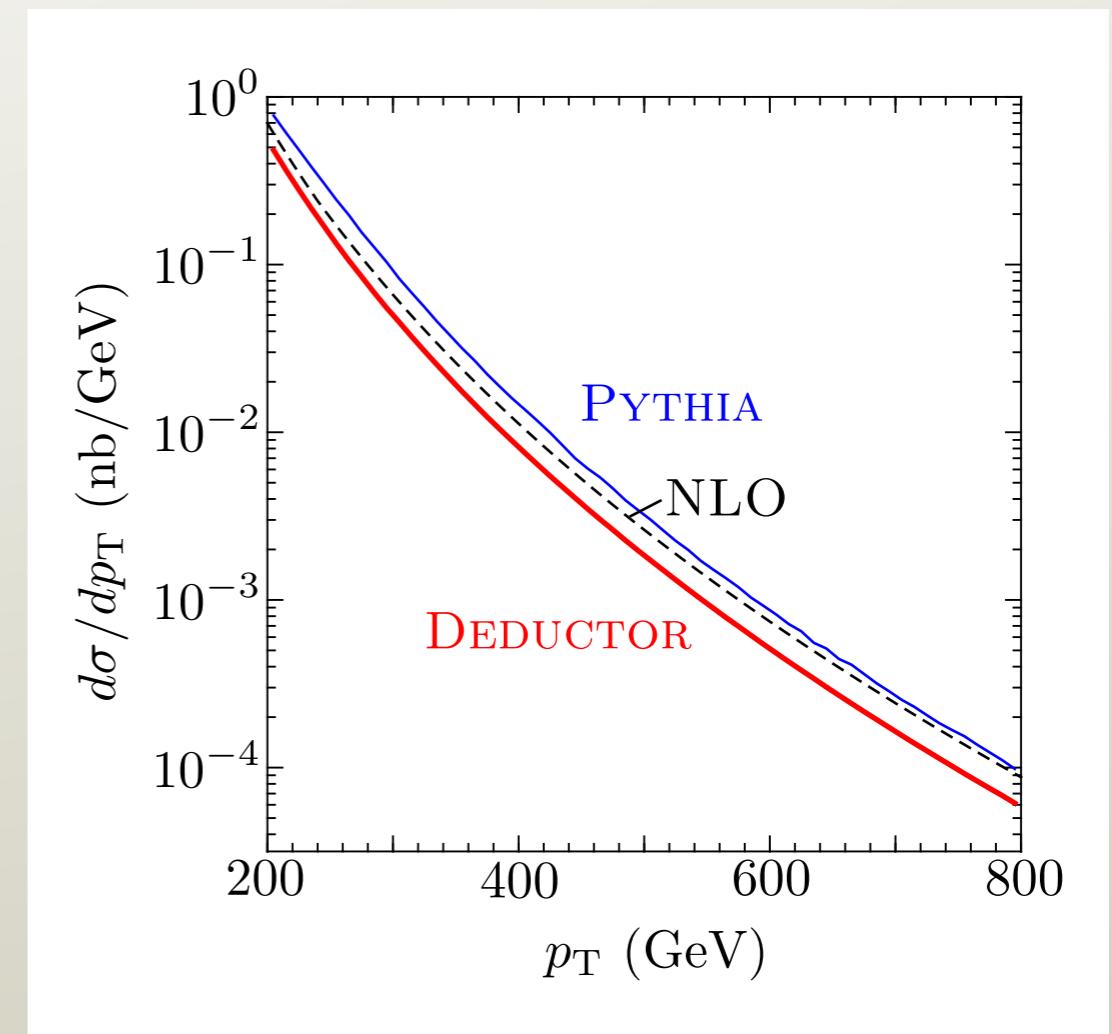
# Number of partons in a jet

- Construct jets with the  $k_{\text{T}}$  algorithm with  $R = 0.4$ .
- Look at jets with  $P_{\text{T}} > 200$  GeV,  $|y| < 2$ .
- PYTHIA jets are somewhat more evolved.
- But the distributions are pretty similar.



# Jet cross section

- Look at one jet inclusive cross section  $d\sigma/dp_T$  with  $k_T$  jet algorithm with  $R = 0.4$ .
- Plot PYTHIA, DEDUCTOR, and NLO.



- The jet cross section is highly sensitive to showering effects.
- Both PYTHIA and DEDUCTOR are within about 30% of NLO so we judged the agreement to be satisfactory.

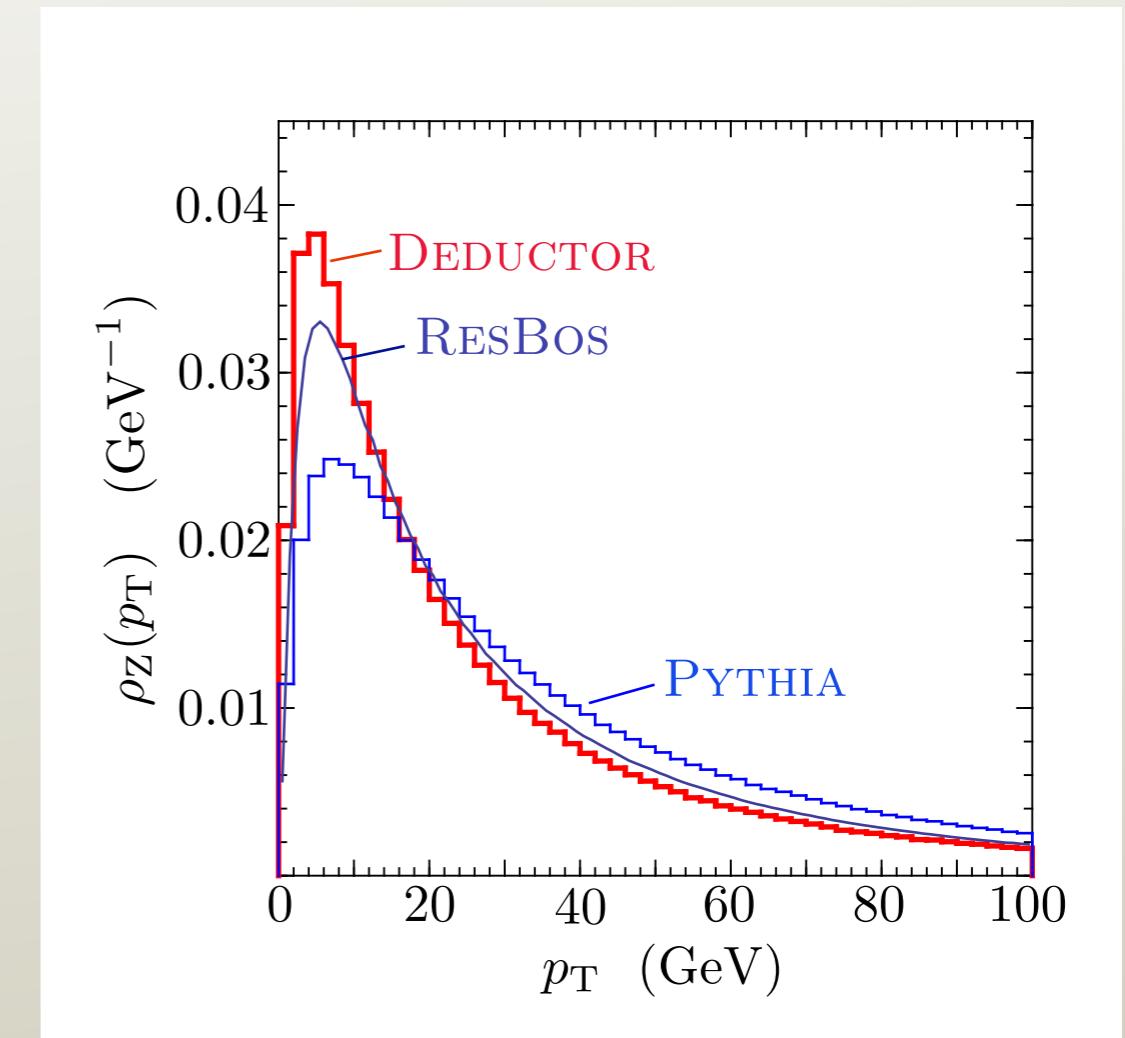
# Drell-Yan $P_T$ distribution

- Look at distribution of  $P_T$  of  $e^+e^-$  pairs with  $M > 400$  GeV.

- $\int_0^{100 \text{ GeV}} dp_T \rho(p_T) = 1.$

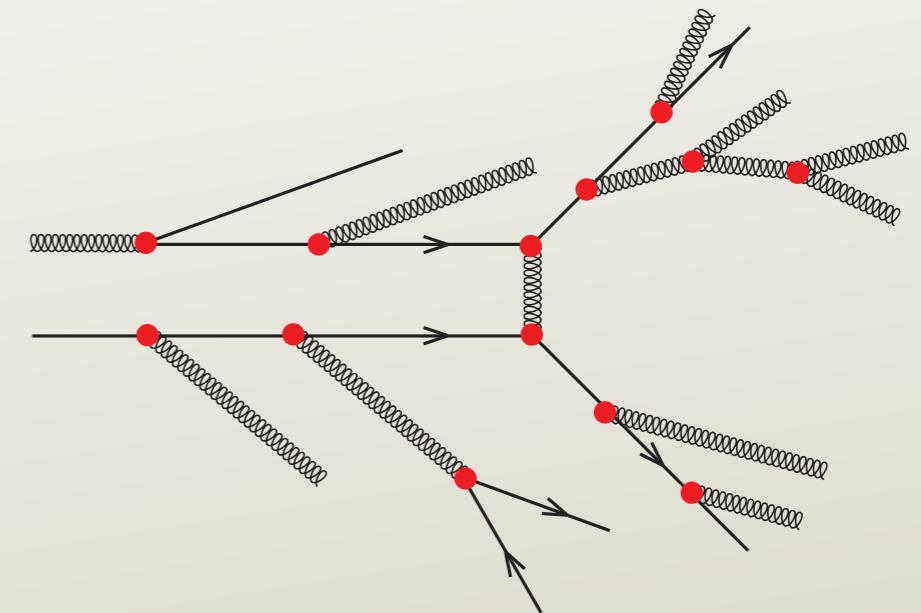
- A parton shower should get this right except for soft effects at  $P_T < 10$  GeV.

- We compare DEDUCTOR, PYTHIA, and the analytic log summation in RESBOS.
- DEDUCTOR appears to do well.



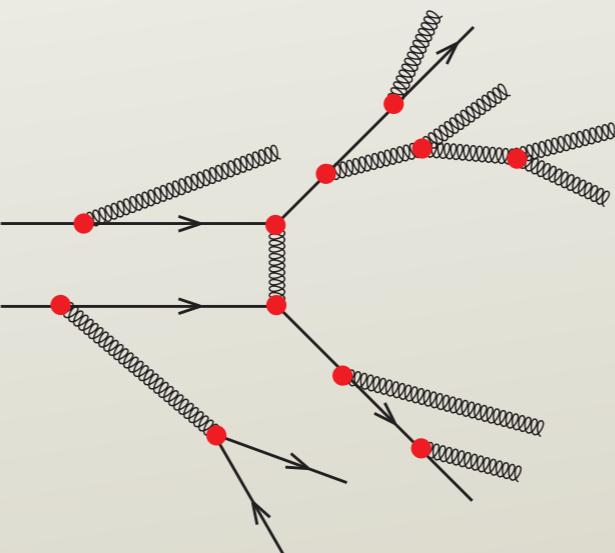
# Masses of initial state partons

- The masses of b and c quarks are not zero.
- When the virtuality scale of the shower reaches a few GeV, the b and c masses matter.
- Therefore, DEDUCTOR keeps  $m(b) \neq 0$  and  $m(c) \neq 0$  even for initial state quarks.
- This required a little work ...



# Evolution of parton distribution functions

- A parton shower needs parton distribution functions.



- At hard scattering, need  $f_{a/A}(\eta_a, \mu^2) f_{b/B}(\eta_b, \mu^2)$ .
- At a splitting on line “a,” need a factor

$$\frac{f_{\hat{a}/A}(\hat{\eta}_a, \mu^2)}{f_{a/A}(\eta_a, \mu^2)}$$

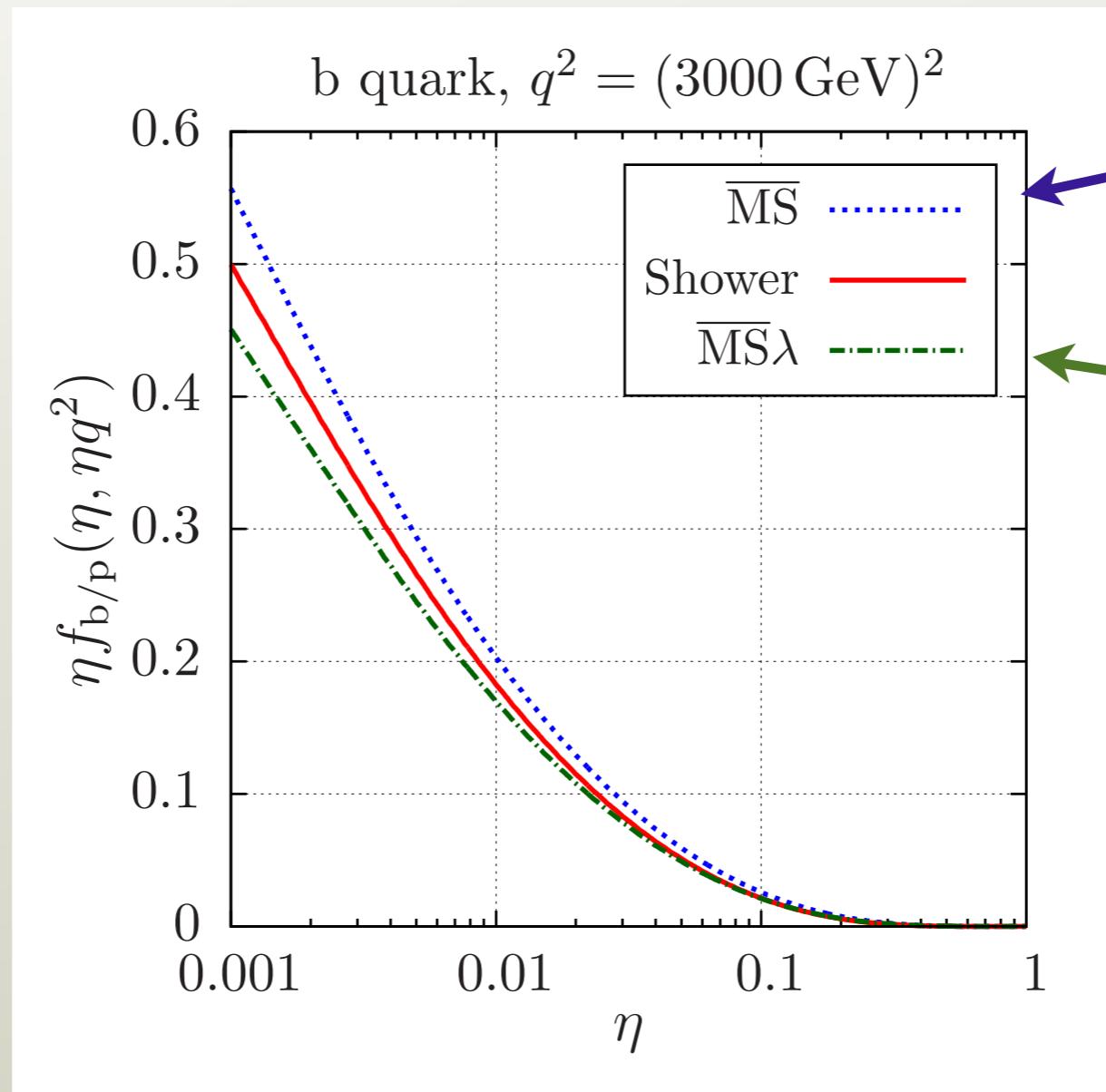
where  $\hat{\eta}_a = \eta_a/z$  is the new momentum fraction.

- $\overline{\text{MS}}$  distributions  $f_{a/A}(\eta, \mu^2)$  obey an evolution equation,

$$\mu^2 \frac{d}{d\mu^2} f_{a/A}(\eta, \mu^2) = \sum_{\hat{a}} \int_0^1 \frac{dz}{z} \frac{\alpha_s(\mu^2)}{2\pi} P_{a\hat{a}} \left( z, z \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} \right) f_{\hat{a}/A}(\eta/z, \mu^2)$$

- The initial state shower contains splitting functions.
- $P_{a\hat{a}}(z)$  needs to match the shower splitting functions.
- The standard  $P_{a\hat{a}}(z)$  does not, because the shower splitting functions depend on quark masses.
- Therefore we need revised parton distribution functions with revised evolution.

# Effect of modified evolution

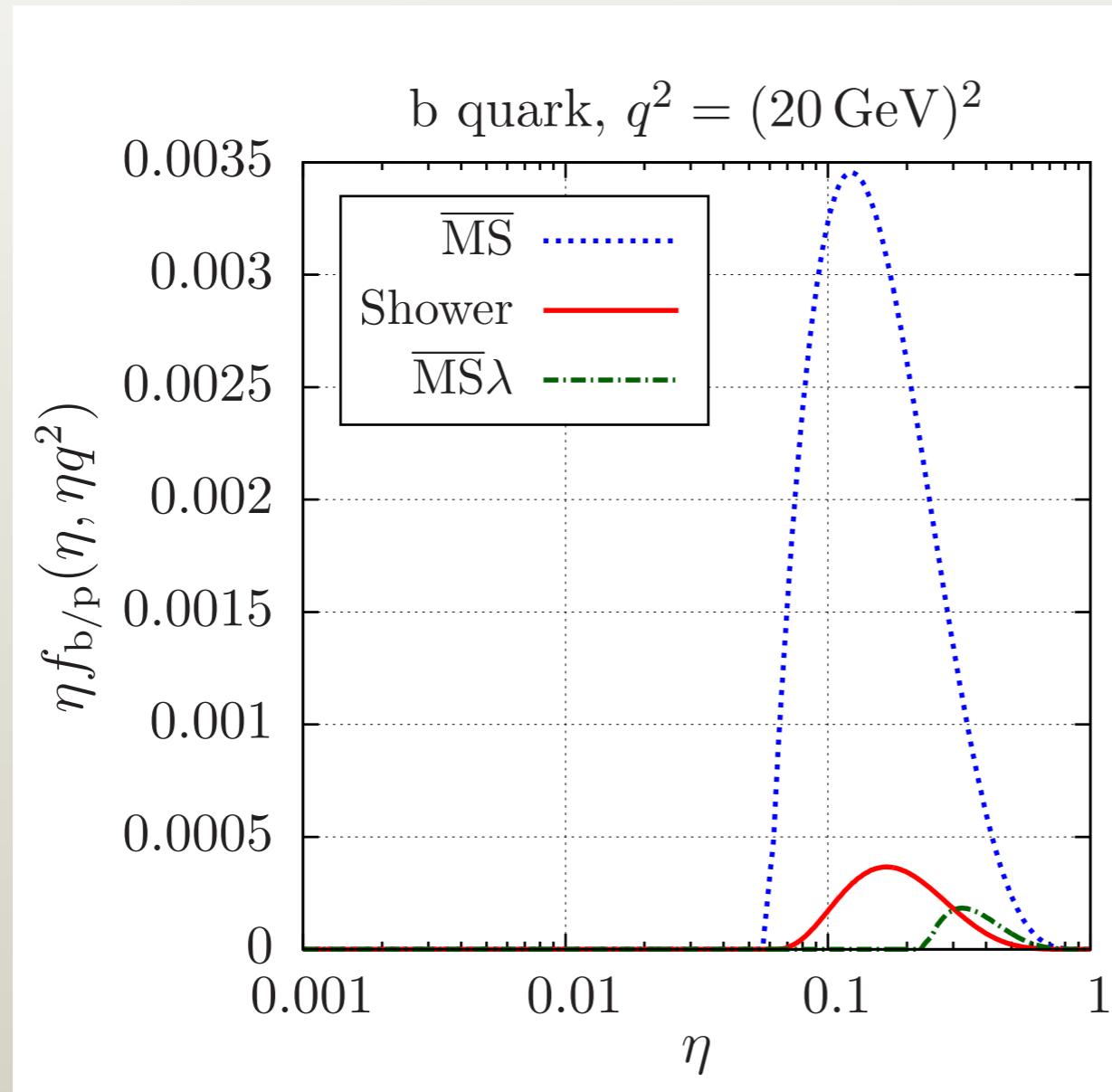


Normal  $\overline{\text{MS}}$ .

$\overline{\text{MS}}$  but starting  
at  $\mu^2 = 4m(b)^2$

The b-quark distribution as a function of  $\eta$   
at fixed shower time:  $q^2 = \mu^2/\eta$  is fixed.

- Near the threshold.

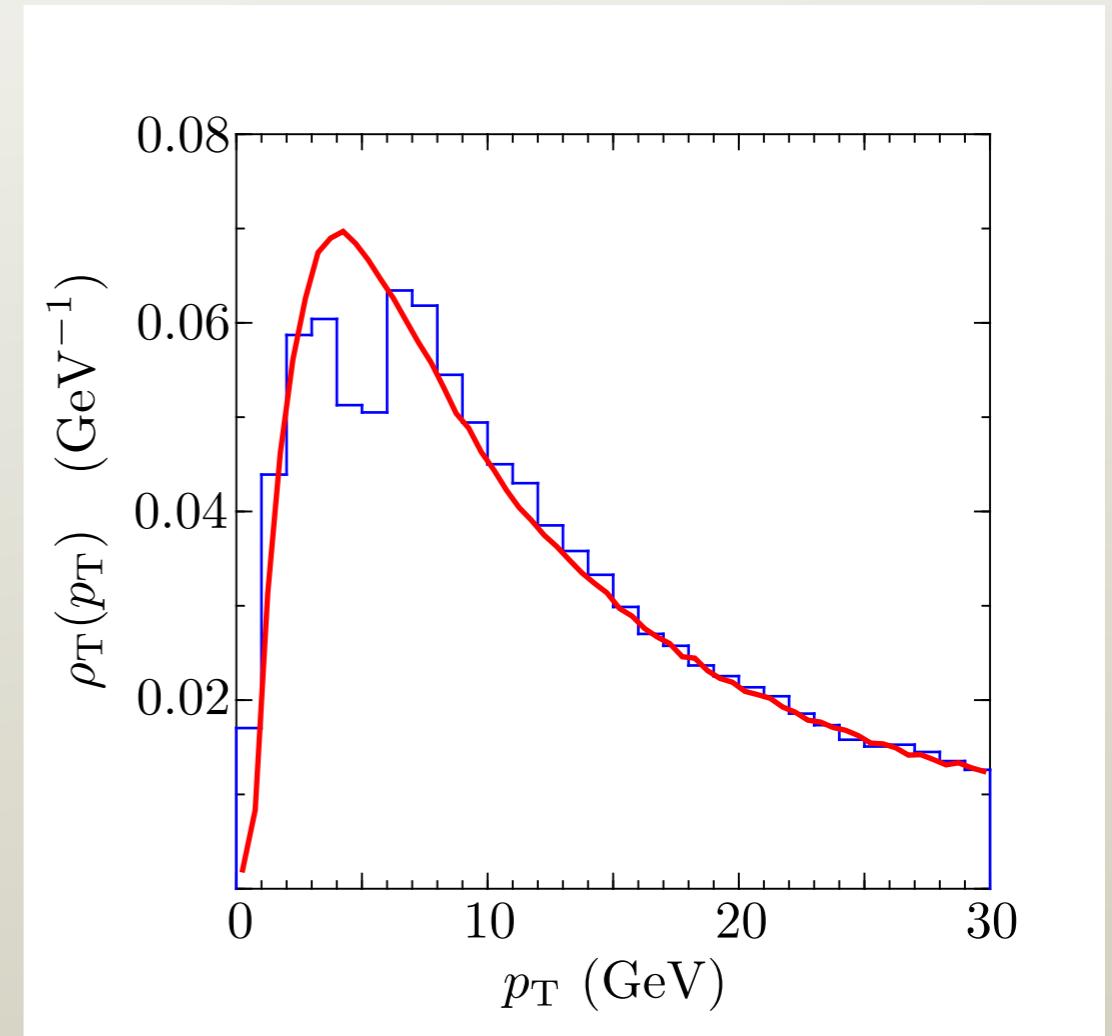
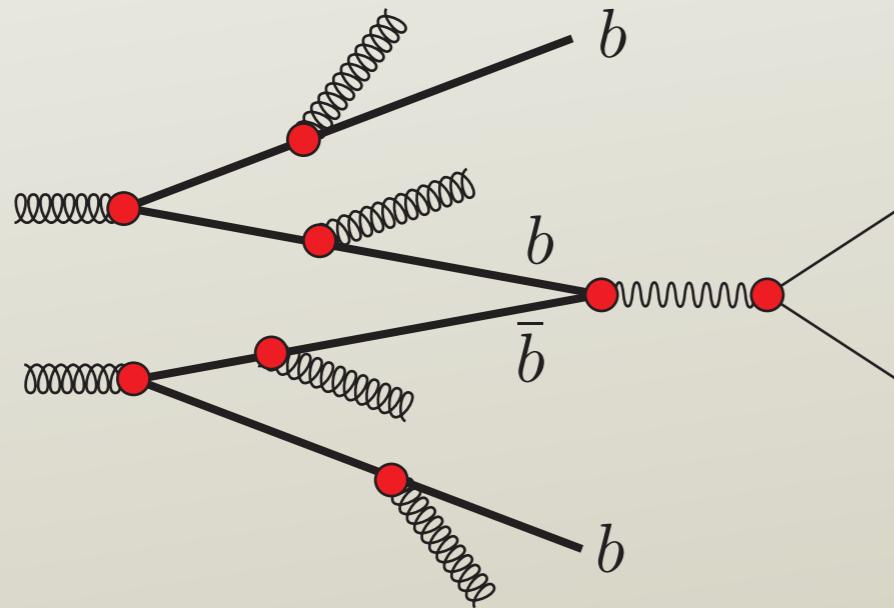


With  $\overline{\text{MS}}$ , too  
many b-quarks.

With mass effects, hardly  
any b-quarks.

# b-quark $P_T$

- Look at Drell-Yan production of  $e^+e^-$  pairs as earlier.
- This time, look at events in which the annihilating quarks were  $b\bar{b}$ .



- Look at the  $p_T$  distribution of the associated  $\bar{b}$ .
- DEDUCTOR (red curve) has a sensible result, while the PYTHIA distribution (blue histogram) has a strange dip.

# Shower ordering variable

- Originally, PYTHIA used virtuality to order splittings.
- Now, PYTHIA and SHERPA use “ $k_T$ .”
- DEDUCTOR uses  $\Lambda$ ,

$$\Lambda_i^2 = \frac{p_i^2 - m_i^2}{2 p_i \cdot Q_0} Q_0^2 \quad (\text{final state})$$

$$\Lambda_i^2 = \frac{|p_i^2 - m_i^2|}{2 \eta_i p_A \cdot Q_0} Q_0^2 \quad (\text{initial state})$$

where

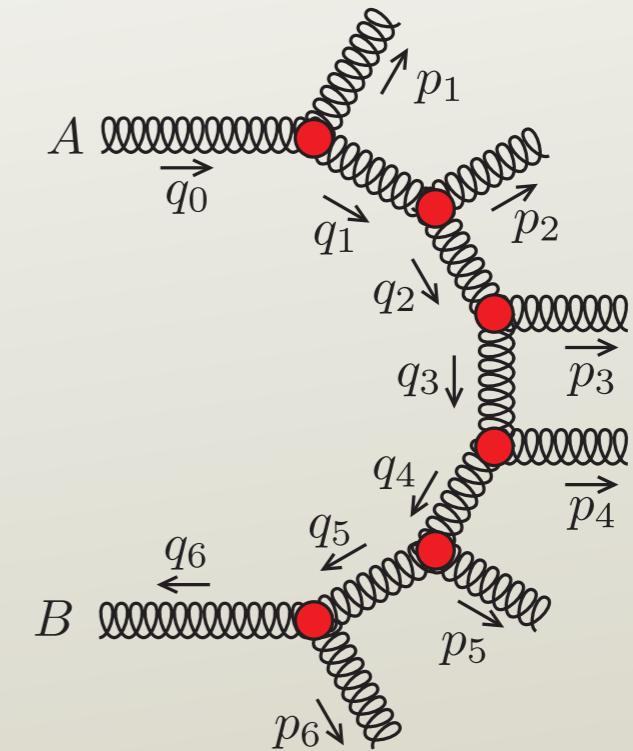
$Q_0$  is a fixed timelike vector;

$p_A$  is the incoming hadron momentum;

$\eta_i$  is the parton momentum fraction.

# A consequence

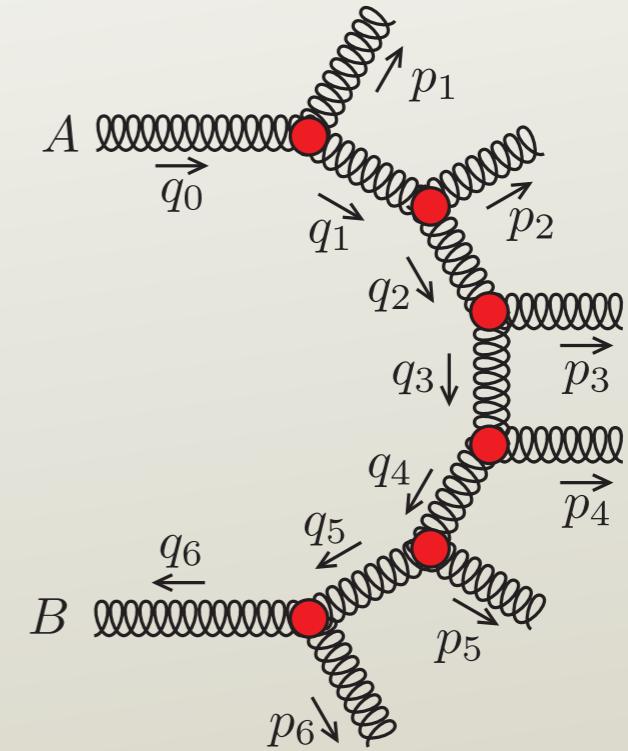
- Consider an initial state shower.
- Take  $p_i^2 = 0$ .
- The hard scattering is  $i = h$  somewhere in the middle.
- Consider the case that  $z_i = \eta_i/\eta_{i+1} \ll 1$  for all  $i$  as we move toward hadron A.
- Similarly  $z_i \ll 1$  as we move toward hadron B.



- Denote the transverse part of  $q_i$  by  $\mathbf{q}_i$ .
- As we move toward hadron A, shower ordering requires

$$q_{i-1}^2 < q_i^2 \quad \text{for } k_T \text{ ordering}$$

$$z_i q_{i-1}^2 < q_i^2 \quad \text{for } \Lambda \text{ ordering}$$

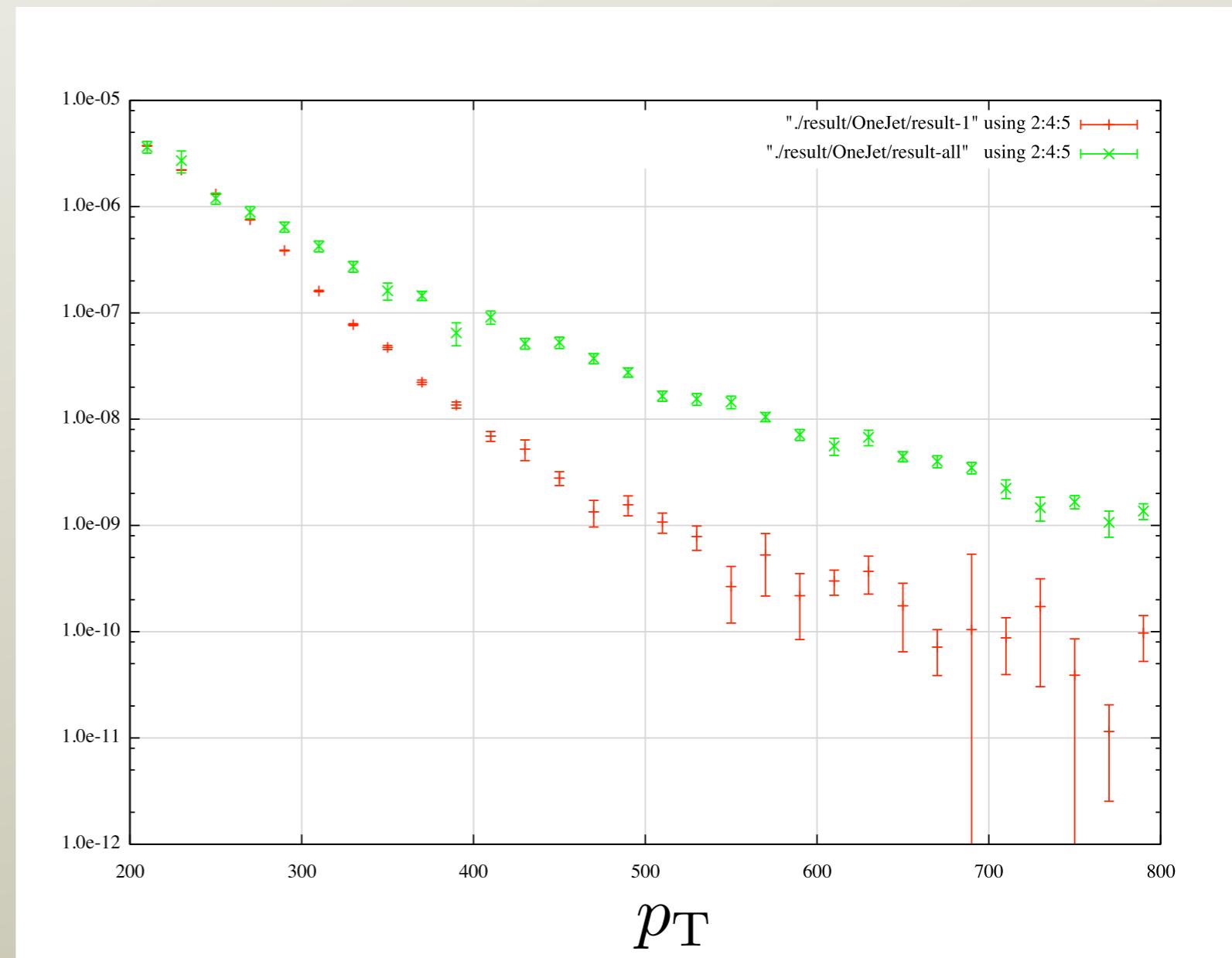


- We impose  $q_i^2 < q_h^2$  in order to distinguish the hardest momentum transfer.
- Evidently,  $\Lambda$  ordering allows a wider phase space for gluon emissions.
- Get the phase space of “cut pomeron” exchange.

# Example of unordered $k_T$ s

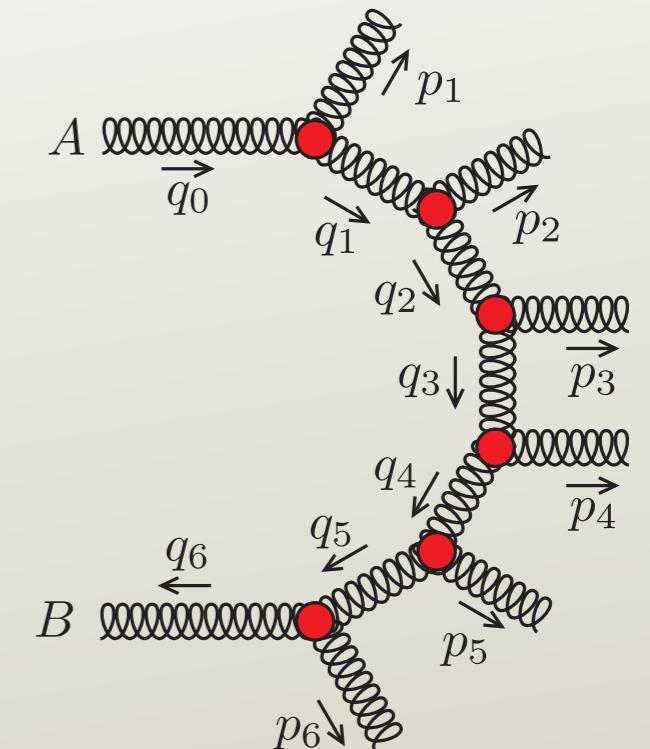
- $z_i q_{i-1}^2 < q_i^2$  for  $\Lambda$  ordering
- For this study, *drop* the requirement that  $q_i^2 < q_h^2$ .

- Plot  $p_T$  for jet events in which  $p_T < 300$  GeV at the Born level.
- Compare to normal jet  $p_T$  distribution.

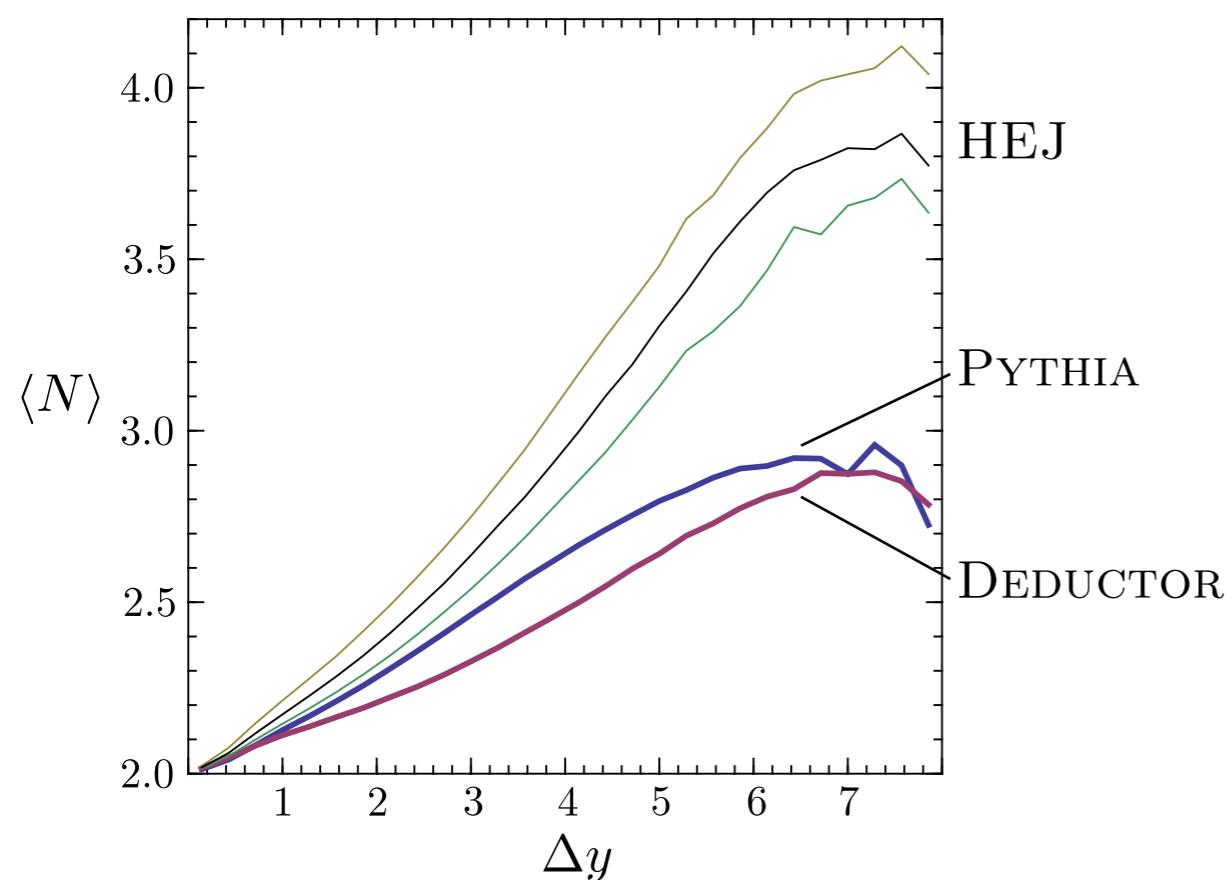


# A cut pomeron example

- Examine jets  $i$  with  $|p_{i\perp}| > 30$  GeV.
- Select the two jets  $j$  with the largest  $y$  and the largest  $-y$ .
- Demand that these have  $\sum_{j=1}^2 |p_{j\perp}| > 120$  GeV.
- Let  $\Delta y$  be the rapidity difference between the extremal jets.
- Count the total number  $N$  of ( $> 30$  GeV) jets.
- Plot  $\langle N \rangle$  versus  $\Delta y$ .
- Expect  $\langle N \rangle > 2$  for large  $\Delta y$ .



# Result for $\langle N \rangle$ versus $\Delta y$

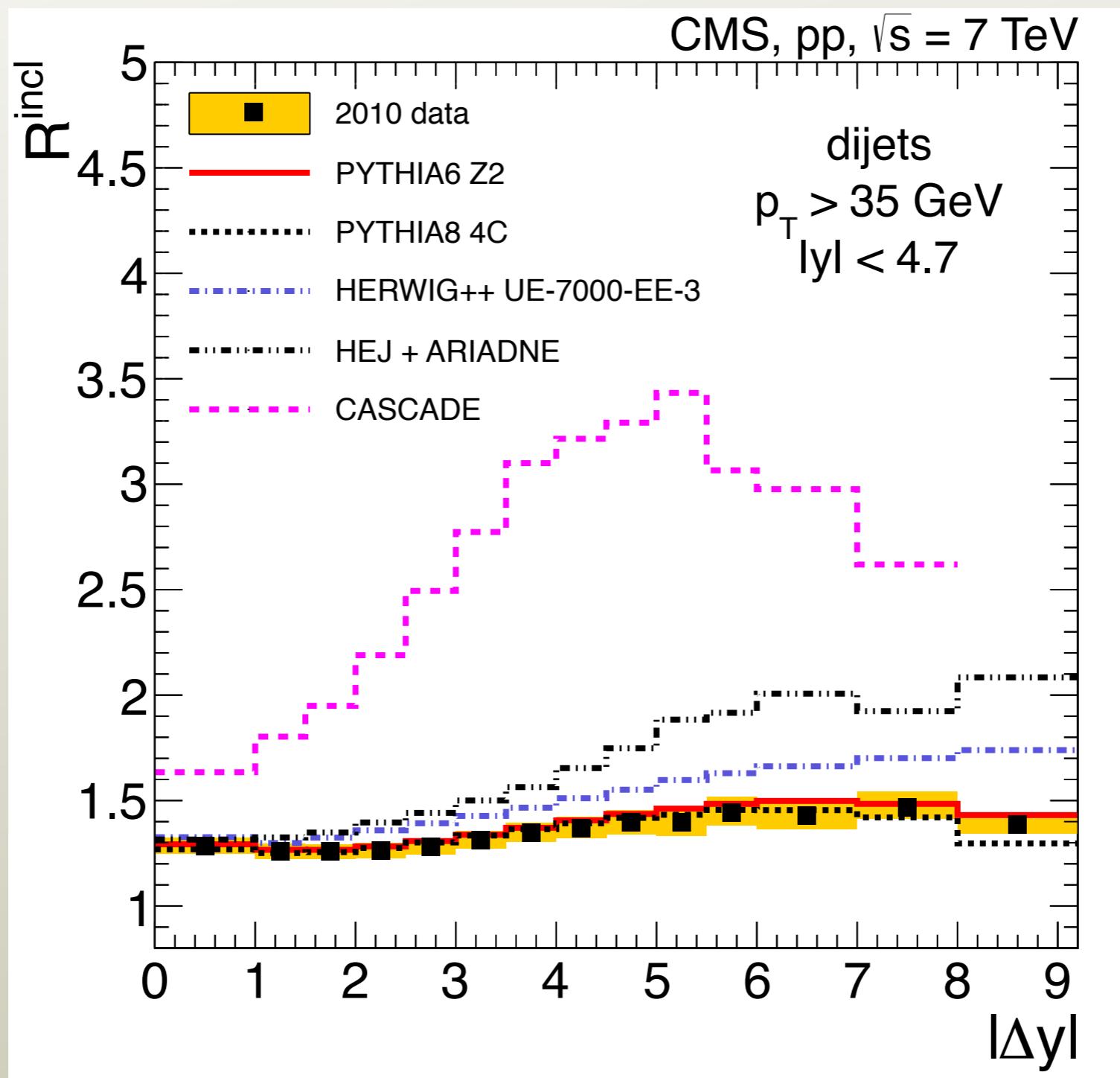


- Andersen and Smillie program for cut pomeron physics  
**HIGH ENERGY JETS,**
- DEDUCTOR generates what I think is a sensible amount of extra jet activity
- I do not understand why PYTHIA generates more.

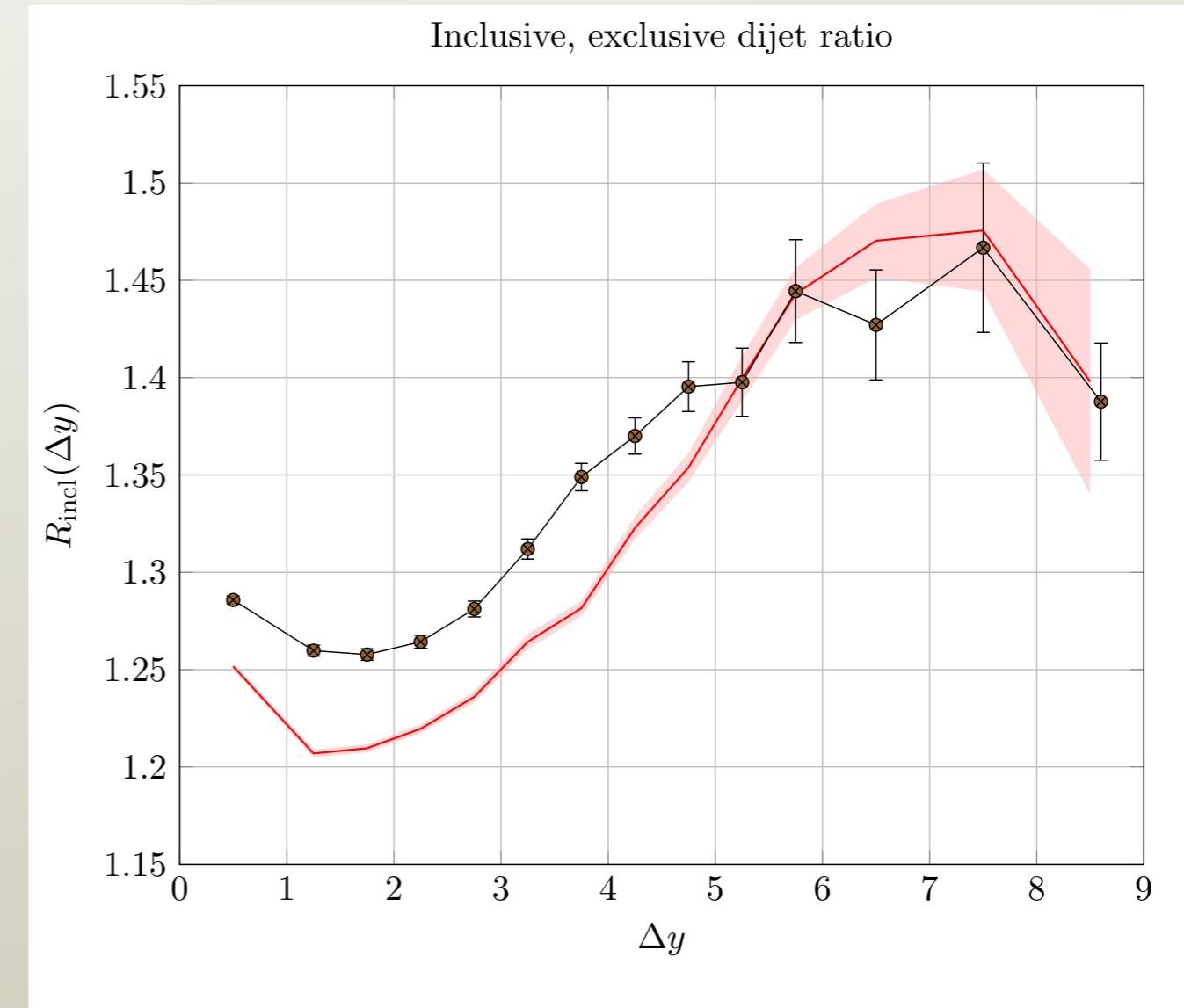
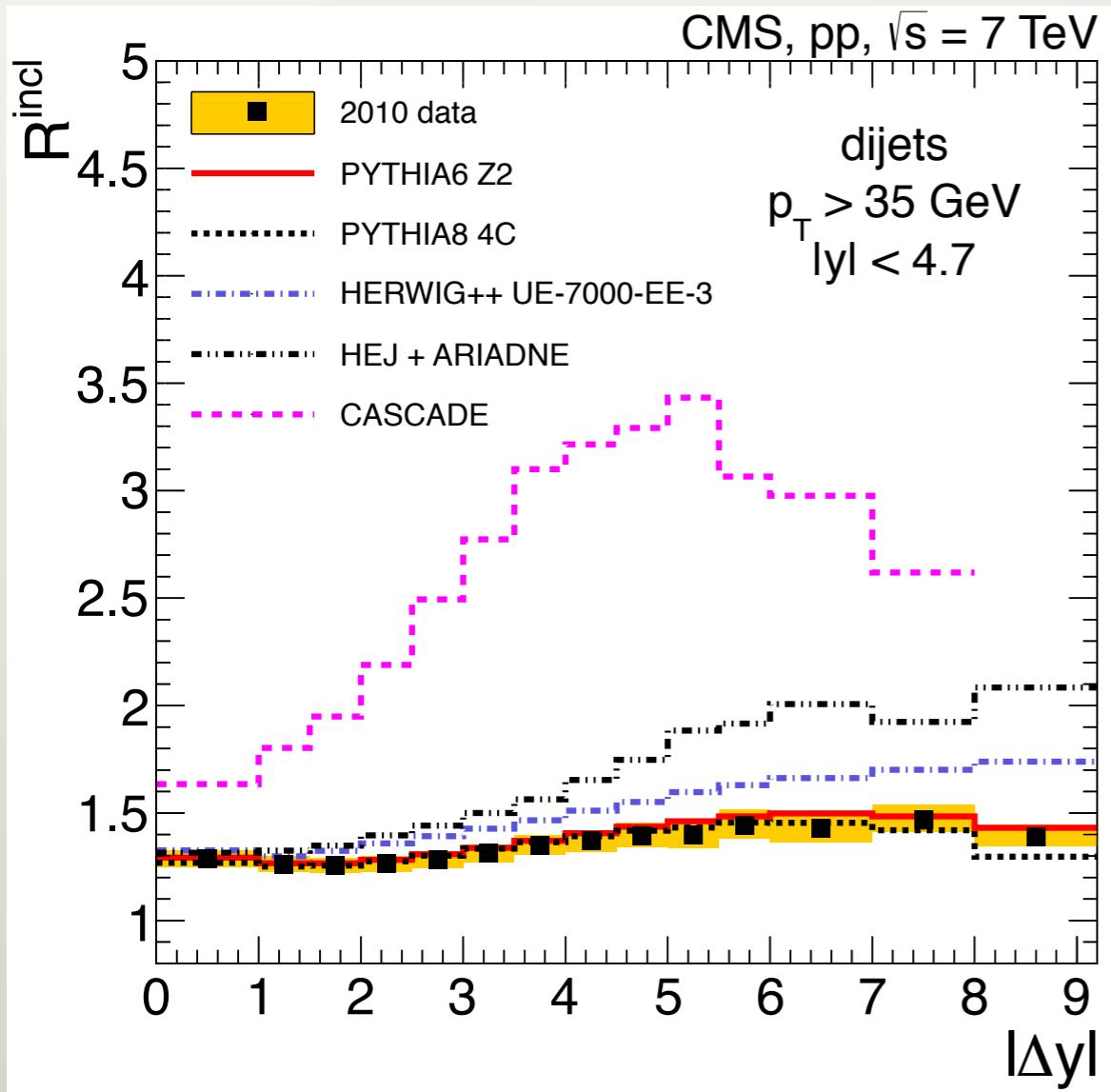
# Comparison to data

- CMS looked at jet events with  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV.
- Jets with  $p_T > 35$  GeV and  $|y| < 4.7$  were selected.
- $\sigma^{\text{incl}} =$  inclusive cross section to have two jets with rapidity difference  $\Delta y$ .
- $\sigma^{\text{excl}} =$  cross section to have two jets and no more, with rapidity difference  $\Delta y$ .
- $R^{\text{incl}} = \sigma^{\text{incl}}/\sigma^{\text{excl}}$ .

# CMS result



# Comparison to DEDUCTOR

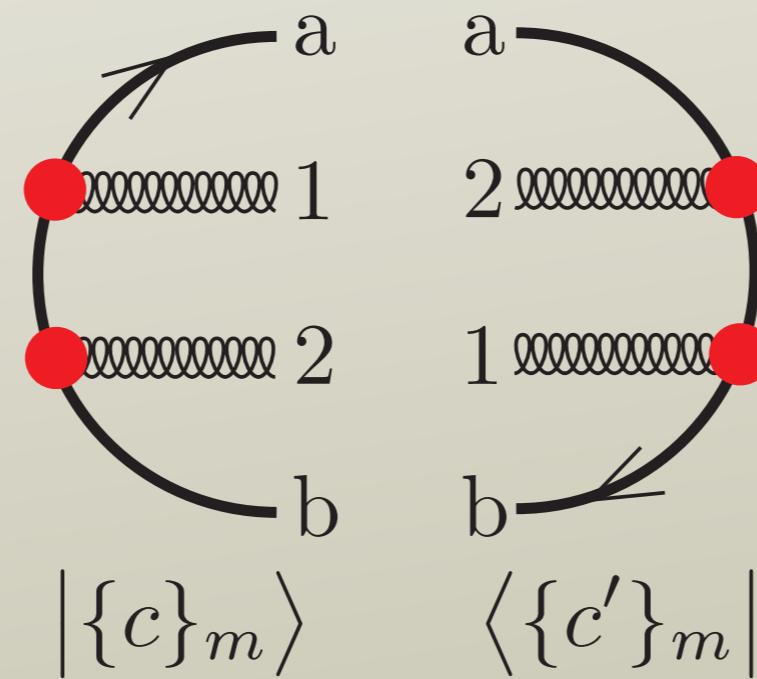


Color

- Forget spin.
- The fundamental object is the quantum density matrix in color, with basis vectors

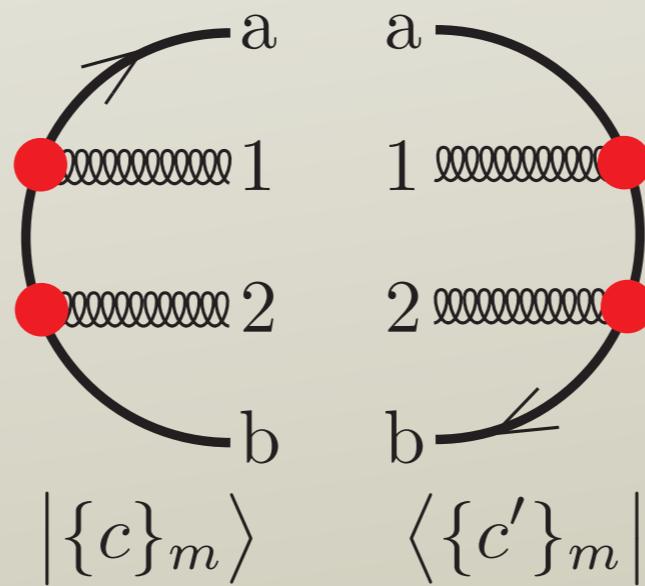
$$|\{c\}_m\rangle \langle \{c'\}_m|$$

- Picture for this:



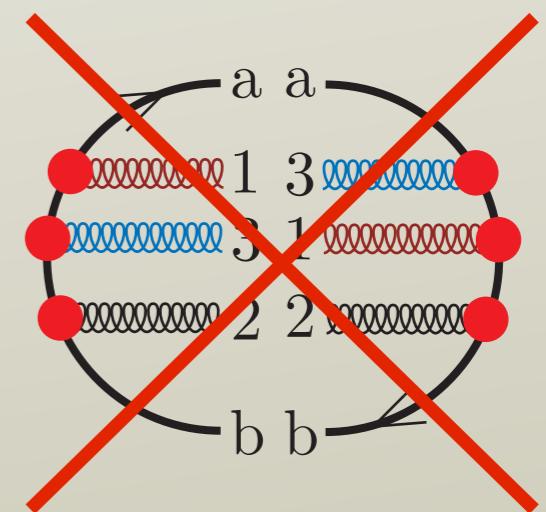
# The leading color (LC) approximation

- Only states with  $\{c'\}_m = \{c\}_m$  are allowed.



# The color suppression index

- At each shower step, calculate a “color suppression index”  $I$ .
- $I = 0$  with the leading color approximation.
- At the end of the shower, a cross section is proportional to  $1/N_c^N$  with  $N \geq I$ .
- At each step of the shower,  $I_{\text{new}} \geq I_{\text{old}}$ .
- The neglected states have  $I = 2$ .
- Thus the neglected states give  $1/N_c^2$  contributions to cross sections.
- Are these contributions are unimportant?

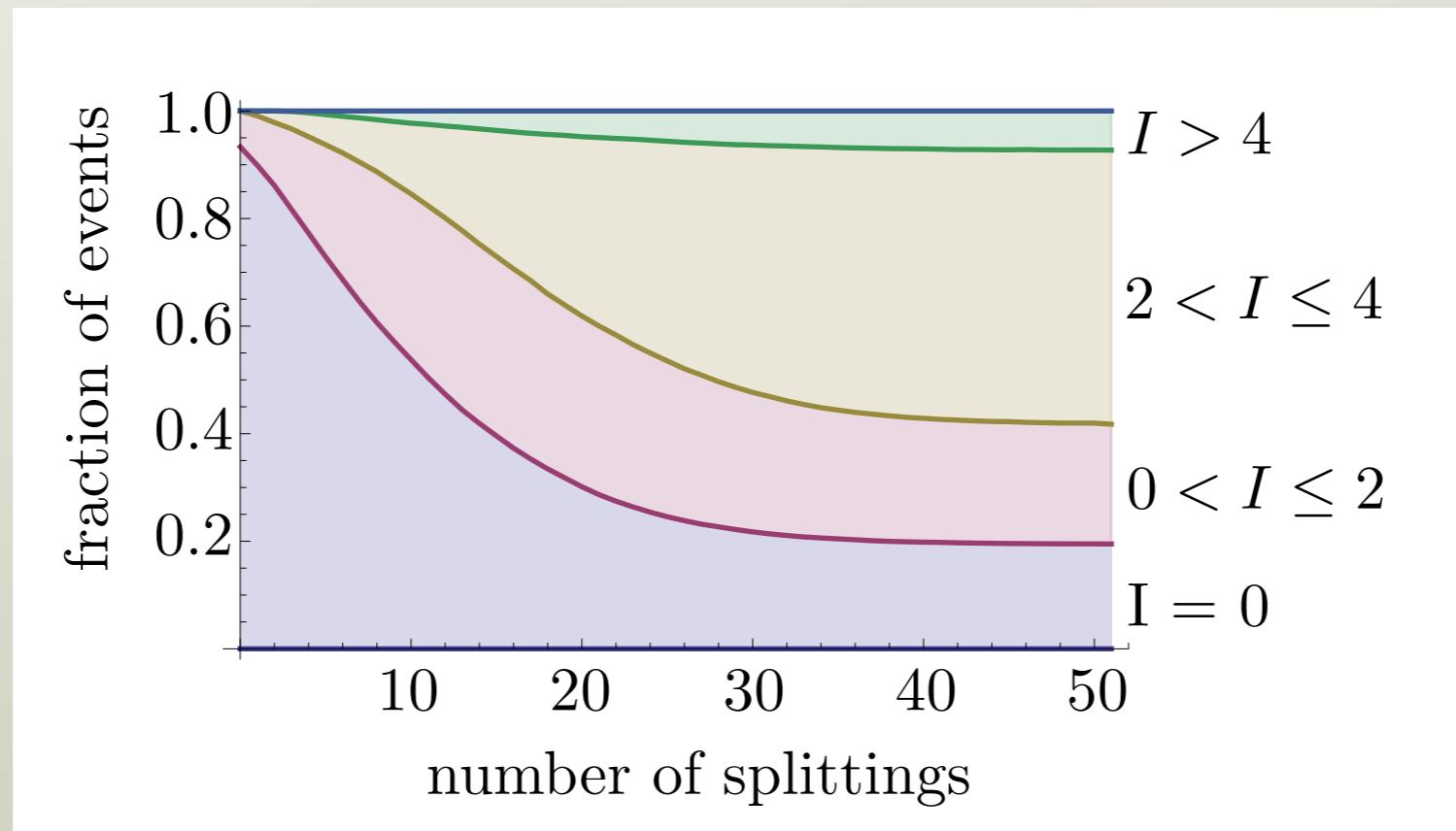


# Practical application

- At each splitting,  $I$  can grow.
- We can set a maximum value,  $I_{\max}$ .
- When  $I = I_{\max}$ , we stop  $I$  from growing.
- This amounts to using  $U(3)$  instead of  $SU(3)$  as the color group.

# Is $I > 0$ rare?

- Look at jet events.
- Trace fraction of events with different values of  $I$  as a function of number of splittings.



- $I > 0$  is not rare.

# Does $I > 0$ matter?

- We are finding that typical observables are not highly sensitive to the color state after just a few splittings.
- Thus the LC approximation gives approximately the same result as the LC+ approximation.
- This conclusion may be observable dependent.

# Gap fraction

- Consider events with two jets with  $p_T > 200$  GeV.
- One jet has  $y > 2$  and one has  $y < -2$ .

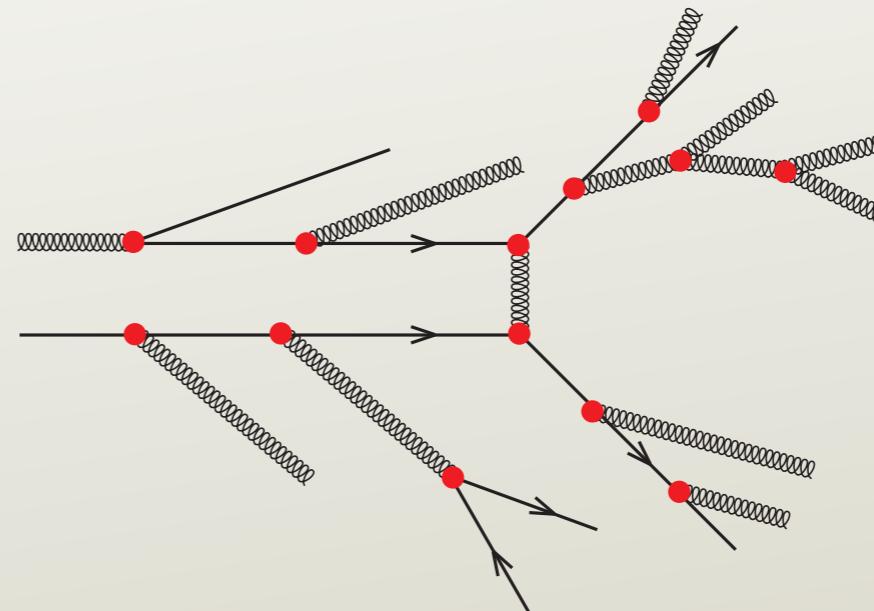
- Look for events with a gap:

No jets with  $-2 < y < 2$  with  $p_T > p_T^{\max}$ .

- If we make  $p_T^{\max}$  small, the fraction of events with such a gap is small.

# The gap fraction and color

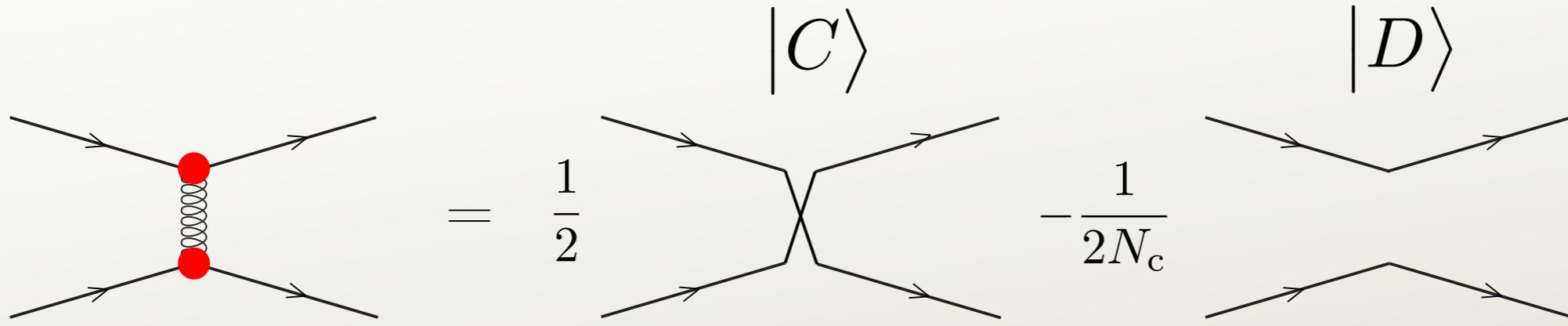
- Consider small angle quark-quark scattering followed by shower.



$$\text{Feynman diagram} = \frac{1}{2} \text{Feynman diagram} - \frac{1}{2N_c} \text{Feynman diagram}$$

Forward partons color  
connected to  
backwards partons

Forward partons color  
disconnected from  
backwards partons



$$\rho = \frac{1}{4} |C\rangle\langle C| - \frac{1}{4N_c} |C\rangle\langle D| - \frac{1}{4N_c} |D\rangle\langle C| + \frac{1}{4N_c^2} |D\rangle\langle D|$$

LC

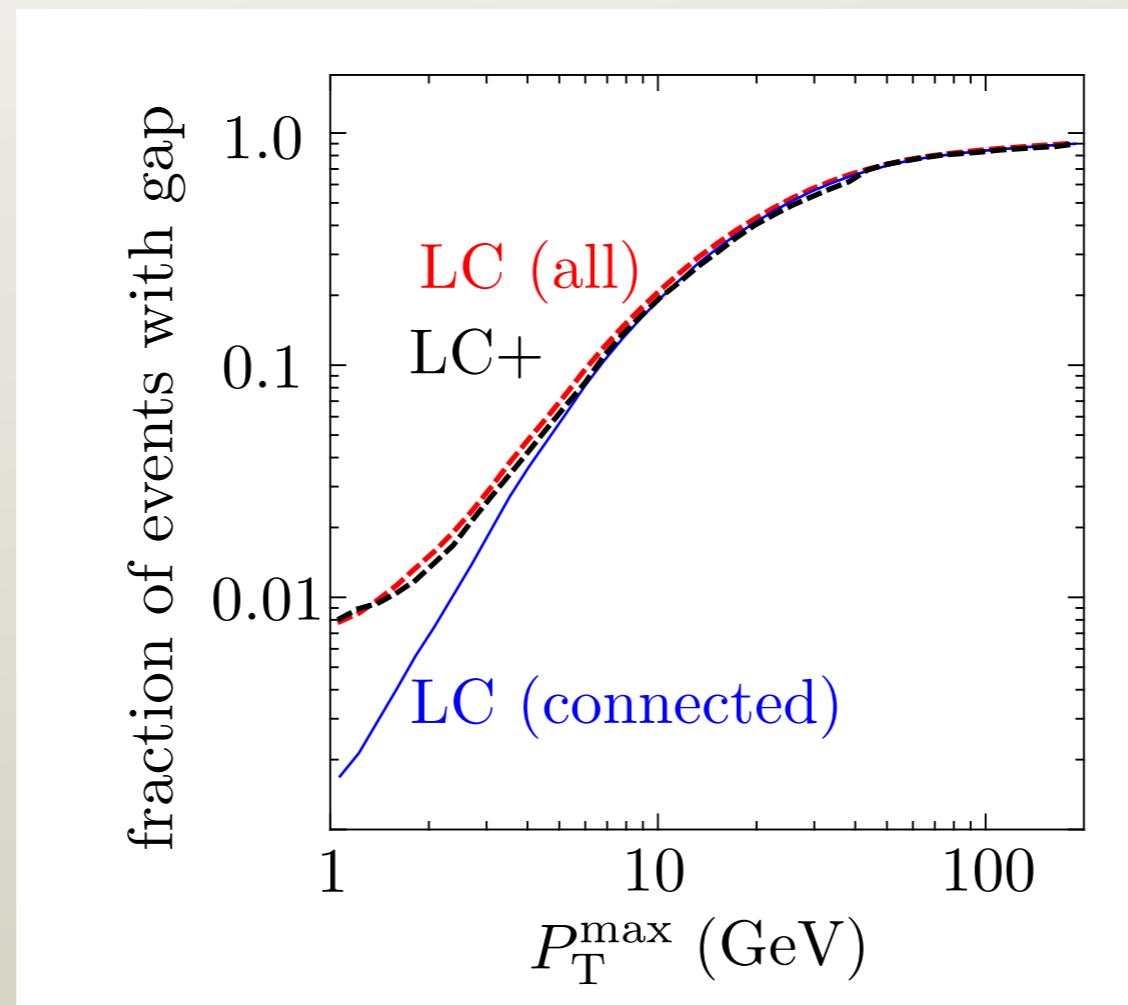
Needs LC+

can be LC

gap survival probability low

gap survival  
probability high

# Gap fractions



- Color structure is important for gap survival probability.

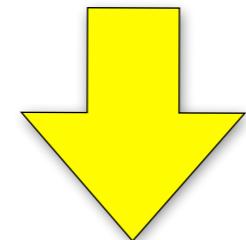
# Conclusion

- DEDUCTOR is designed to do a better job with color and spin compared to other shower generators.
- Even with leading color and no spin, it has some novel features.
- It appears to produce sensible results.
- We are working on exploiting it.
- It is available at
  - <http://www.desy.de/~znagy/deductor>
  - <http://pages.uoregon.edu/soper/deductor/>

# Conclusion, Outlook

This is *just a design of the parton shower* and it make sense at LO level. As far as I know there is no formal definition even at leading order level.

$$\sigma[F_J] = \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} (\rho_m | \mathcal{F}_J | 1) = \sum_m [d\{p, f\}_m] \text{Tr}\{\rho(\{p, f\}_m) F_J(\{p, f\}_m)\}$$



*We need a formal proof that the perturbative sum of the cross section can be rearranged as a product.*

$$\sigma[F_J] = (1 | \mathcal{F}_J \left[ \mathcal{W}^{LO}(t_f) + \mathcal{W}^{NLO}(t_f) + \dots \right] \quad \text{Finite corrections}$$
$$\mathbb{T} \exp \left\{ \int_0^{t_f} d\tau \left[ \mathcal{H}^{LO}(\tau) + \mathcal{H}^{NLO}(\tau) + \dots \right] \right\} \quad \text{Parton shower}$$
$$[|\rho^{LO}) + |\rho^{NLO}) + \dots] \quad \text{Hard state}$$

# Bonus slides

# Operator formalism

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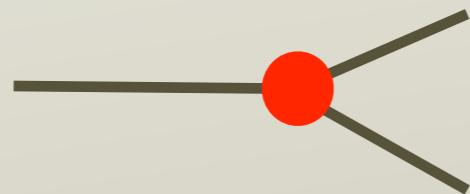
# Evolution

- Evolution with shower time  $t$ :  $|\rho(t)\rangle = \mathcal{U}(t, 0)|\rho(0)\rangle$

$$\frac{d}{dt'} \mathcal{U}(t, t') = [\mathcal{H}_I(t) - \mathcal{V}(t)] \mathcal{U}(t, t')$$

# splitting

no splitting

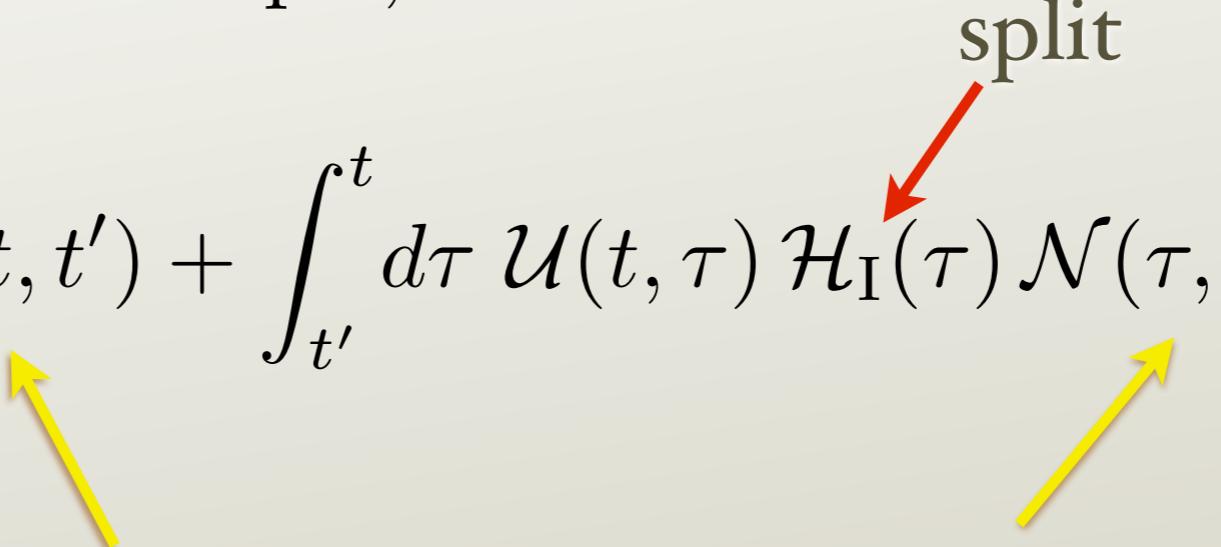


$$\frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{U}(t, t') = [\mathcal{H}_I(t) - \mathcal{V}(t)] \mathcal{U}(t, t')$$

- Since  $\mathcal{V}(t)$  is simple, rewrite as

$$\mathcal{U}(t, t') = \mathcal{N}(t, t') + \int_{t'}^t d\tau \mathcal{U}(t, \tau) \mathcal{H}_I(\tau) \mathcal{N}(\tau, t')$$

split



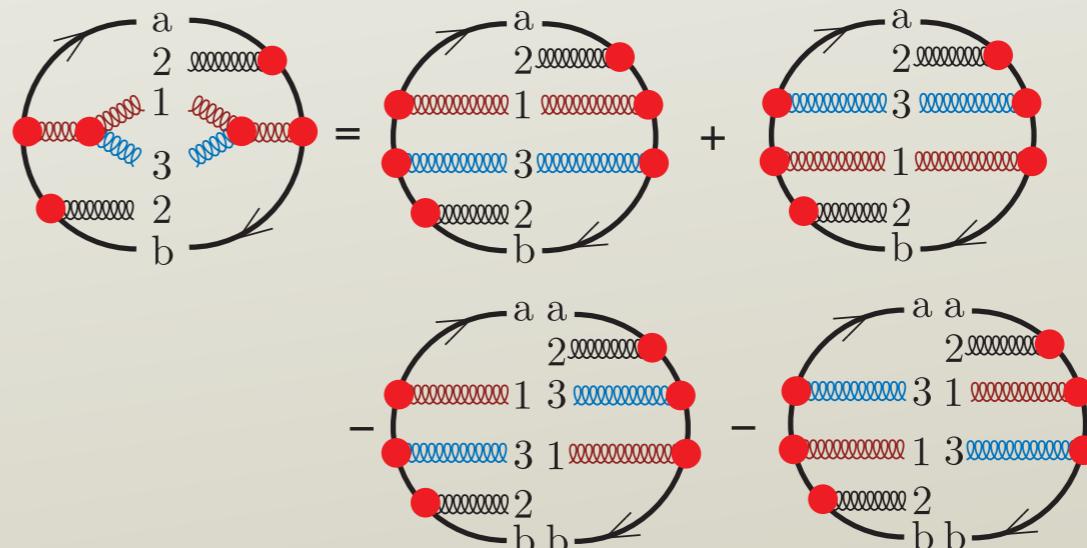
exponentiate the probability of not splitting

$$\mathcal{N}(t, t') = \mathbb{T} \exp \left\{ - \int_{t'}^t d\tau \mathcal{V}(\tau) \right\}$$

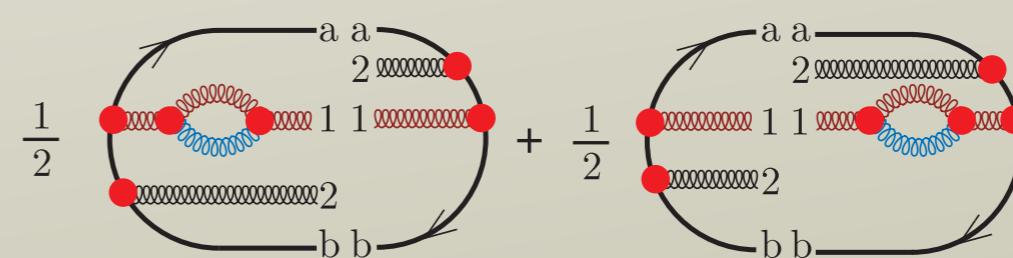
this is the  
Sudakov factor

# How is this possible?

- For terms kept, the Sudakov exponent needs to be a number not a matrix in the color space.



- For this splitting, keep all terms.



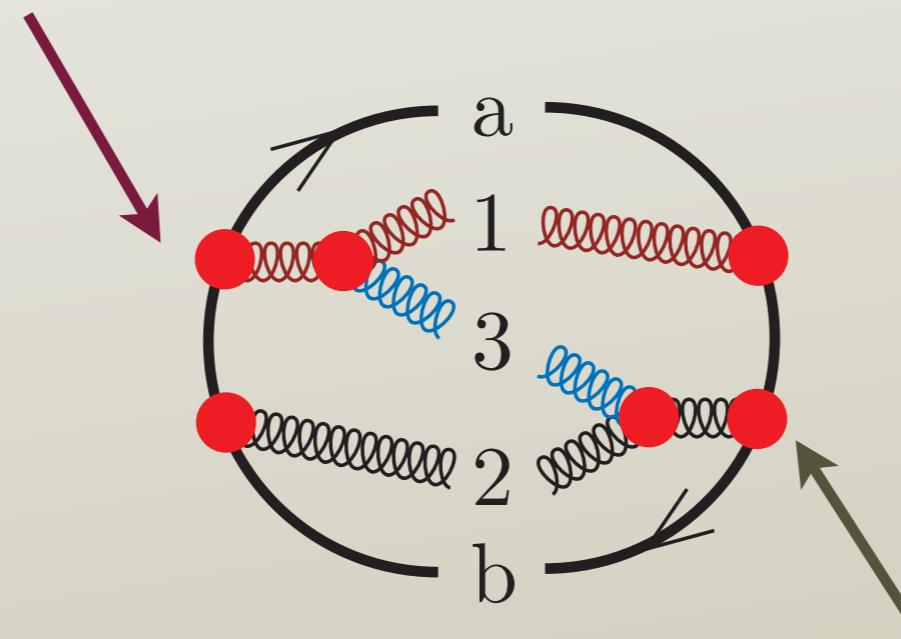
- The corresponding contribution to  $\mathcal{V}(t)$  has the color structure

- The color loops simply give a factor  $C_A$ .

# Interference graphs

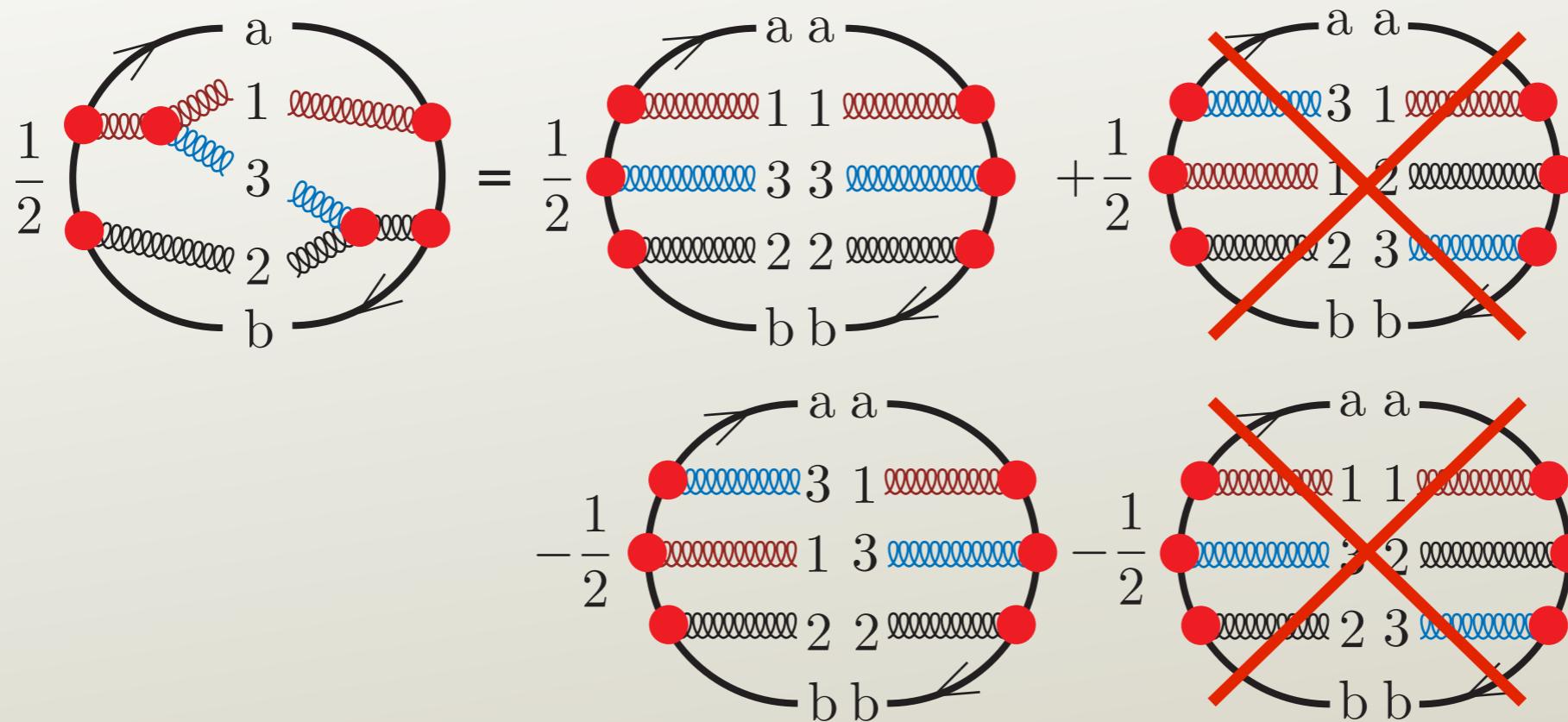
- Interference graphs are important for soft gluon emission.

One parton is the “emitter.”

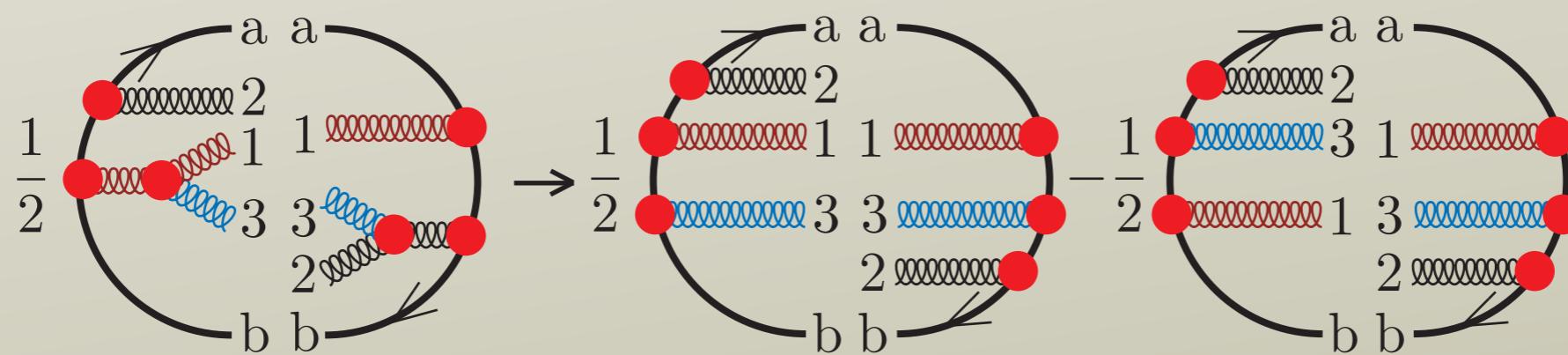


The other is the “helper.”

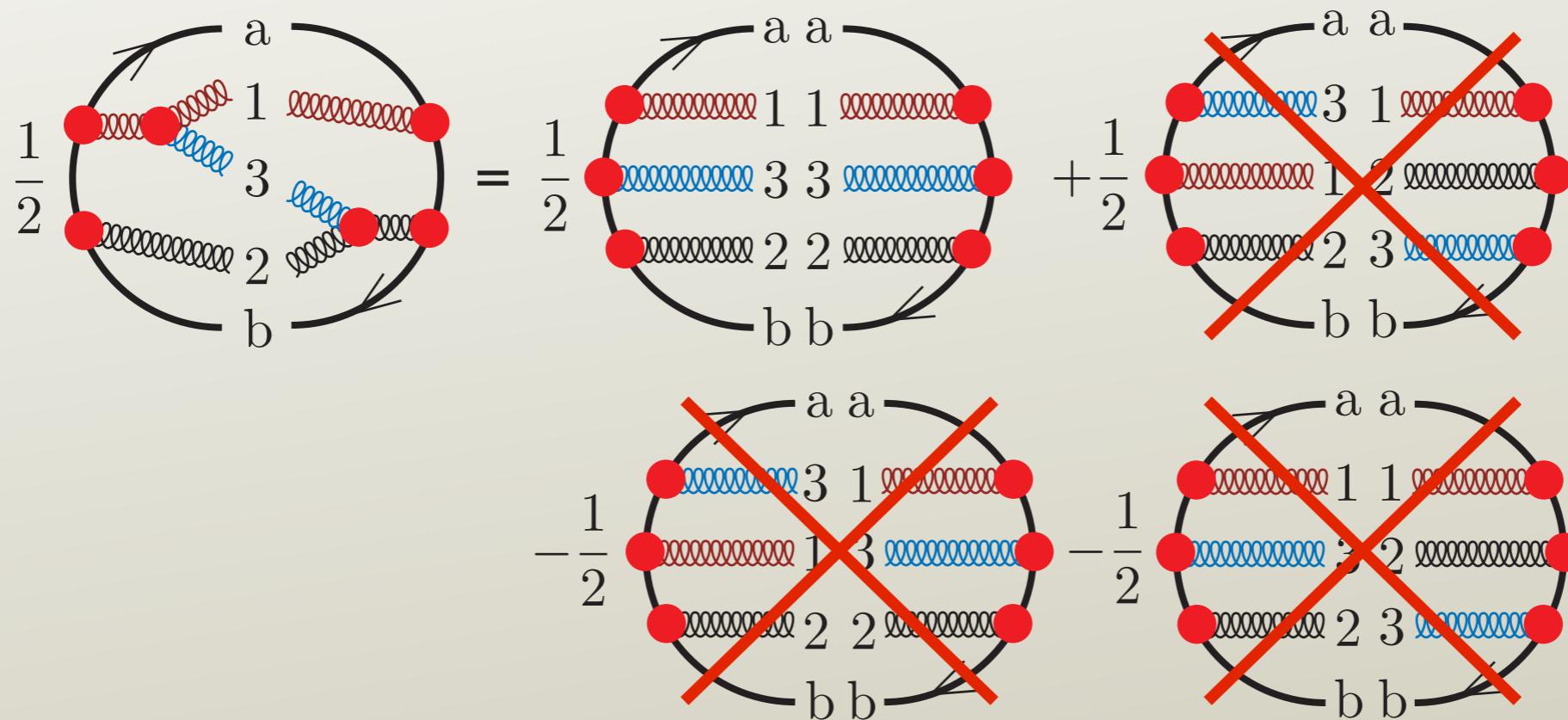
- The LC+ approximation keeps two contributions.



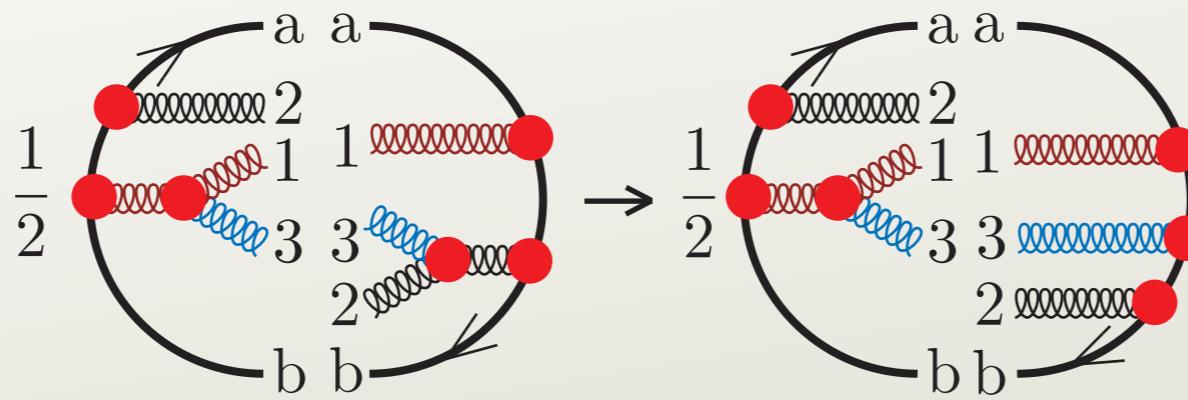
- Another example, starting from a non-diagonal state:



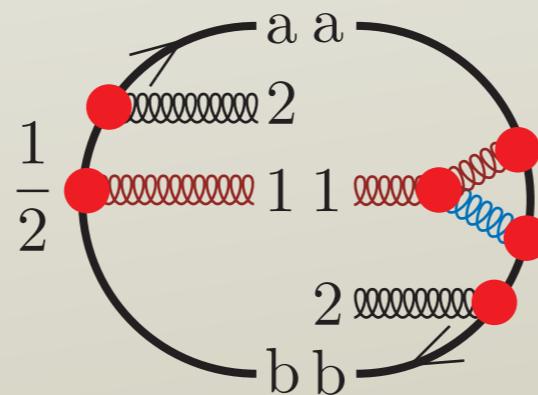
- The LC approximation keeps just one contribution.



- This amounts to



- The corresponding contribution to  $\mathcal{V}(t)$ :



- There is no color matrix. Just a factor  $C_A/4$ .