

Higher-order pQCD and jet physics at an EIC

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Probing Nucleons and Nuclei in High Energy Collisions

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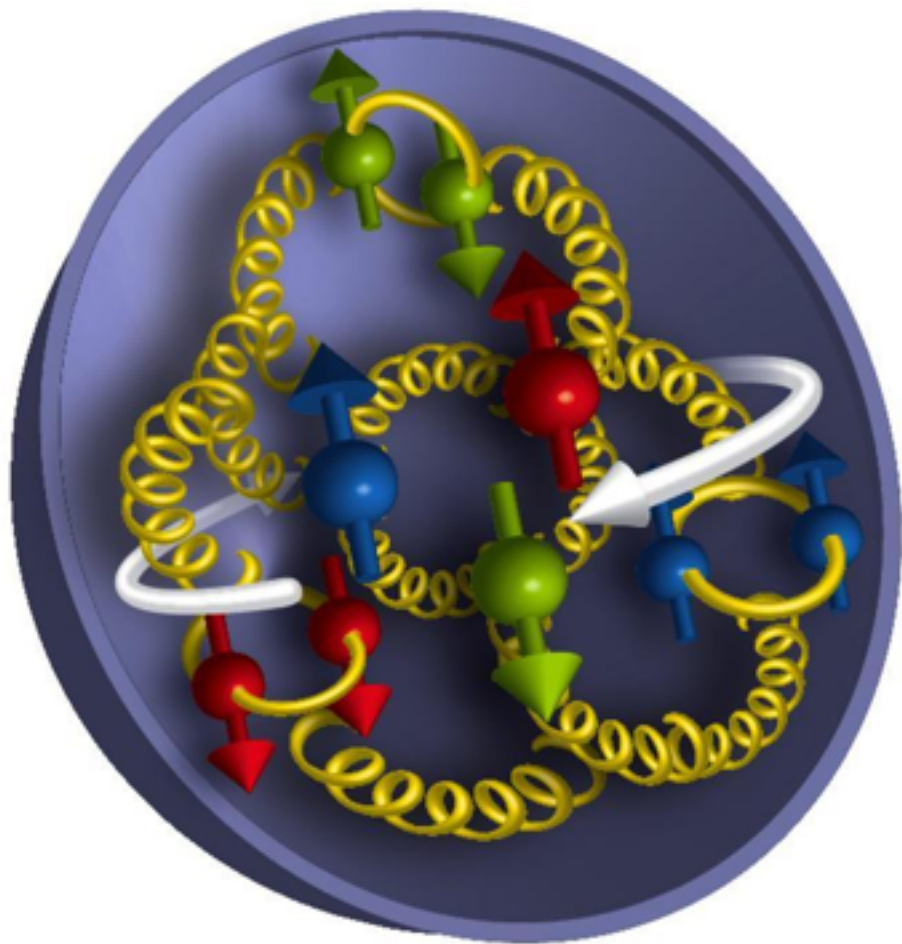
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The proton spin

- Even after four decades of study, aspects of QCD still surprise us today.

How is the proton spin formed from its microscopic constituents?



Quark spin

Gluon spin

Orbital

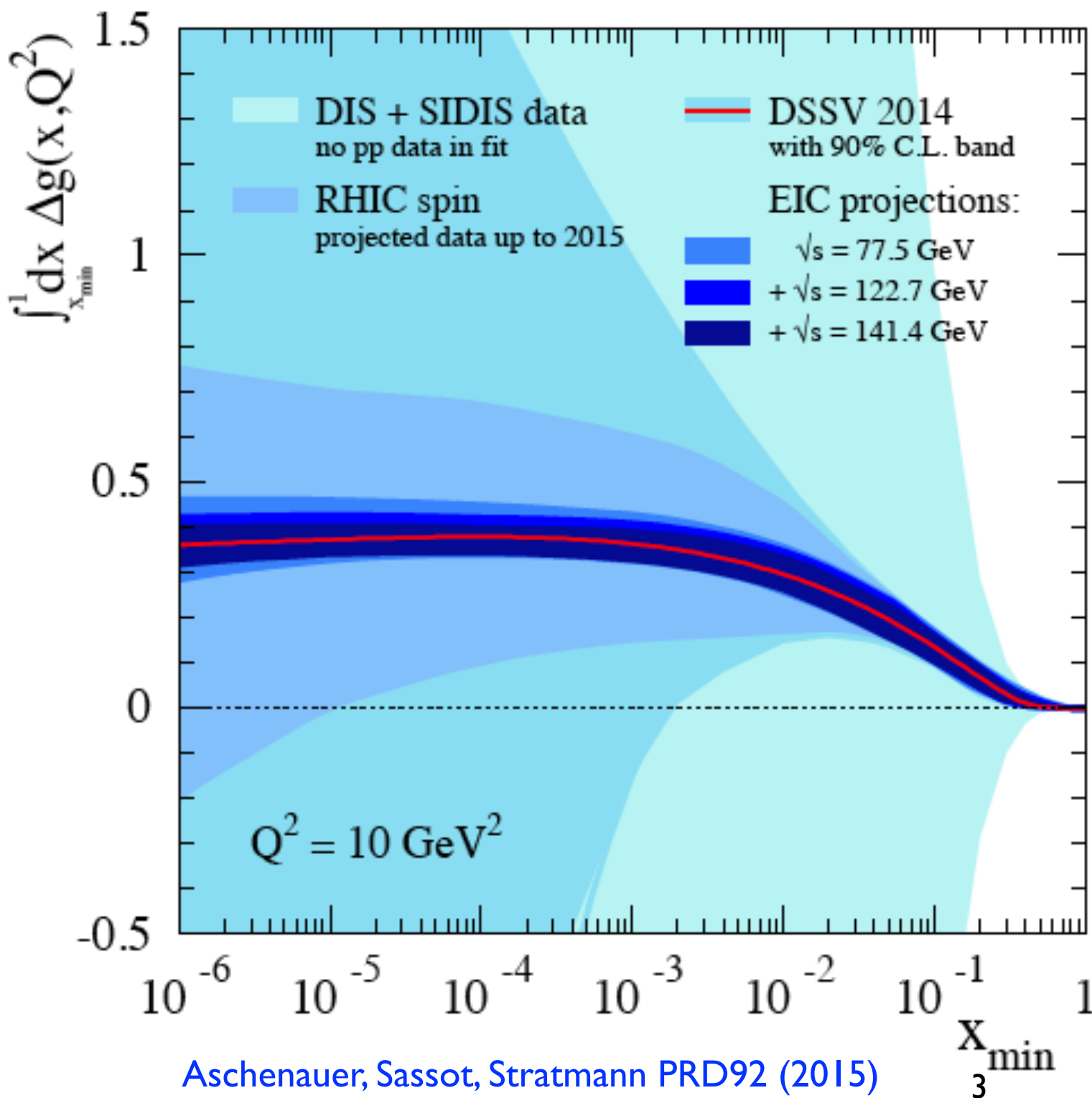
$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \Delta\Sigma + \Delta G + L_{G+q}$$

Only ~30%

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Lattice suggest that this is not 70%

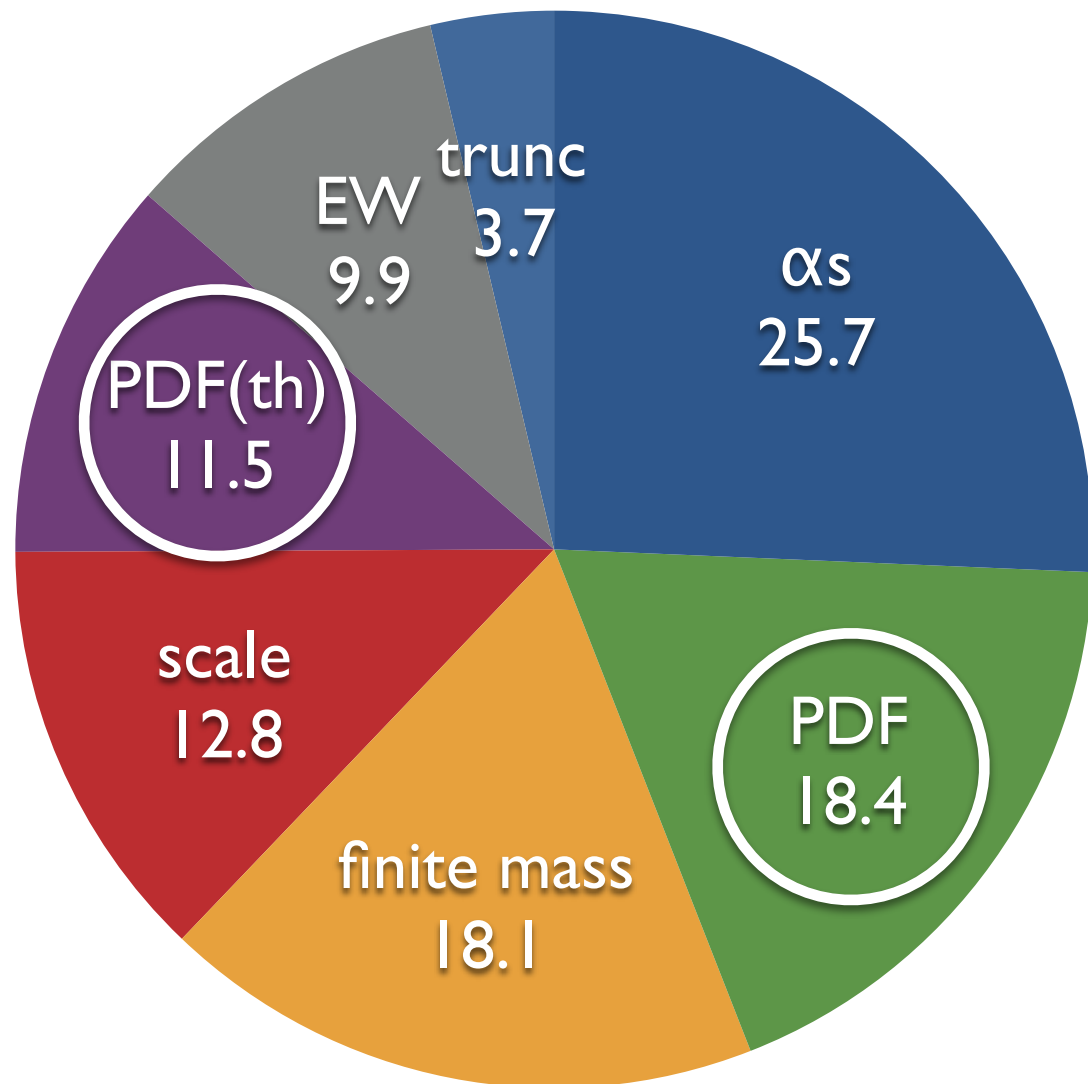
A definitive answer to this questions will require a future electron-ion collider (EIC)



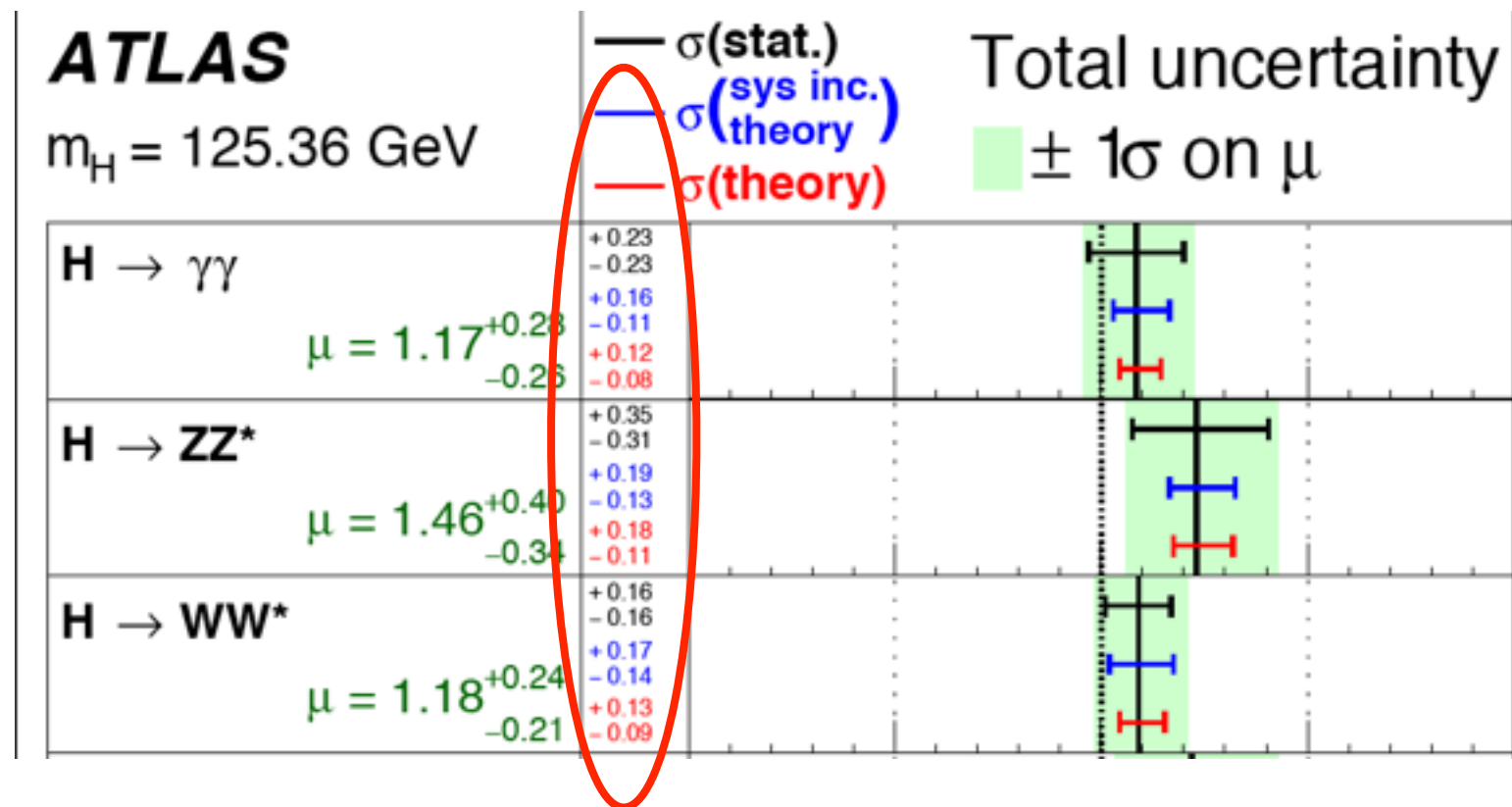
Precision probes of the proton spin structure are possible at an EIC

Proton structure at high energies

- Understanding proton structure is also critical to our pursuit of physics beyond the Standard Model.



Breakdown of residual theory errors on Higgs production cross section in %



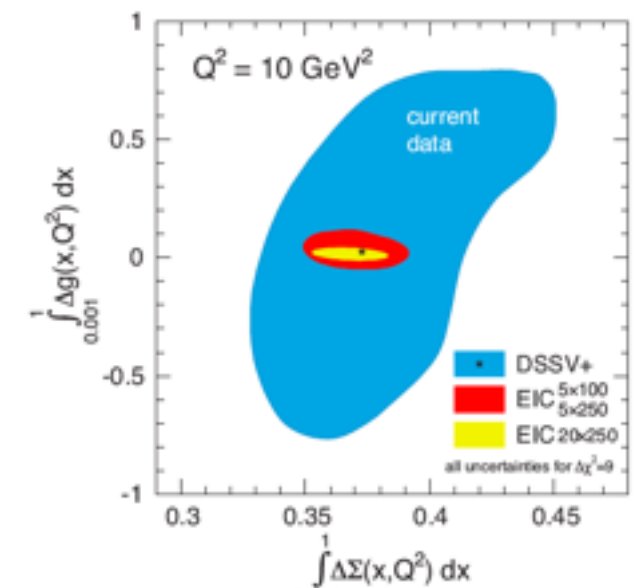
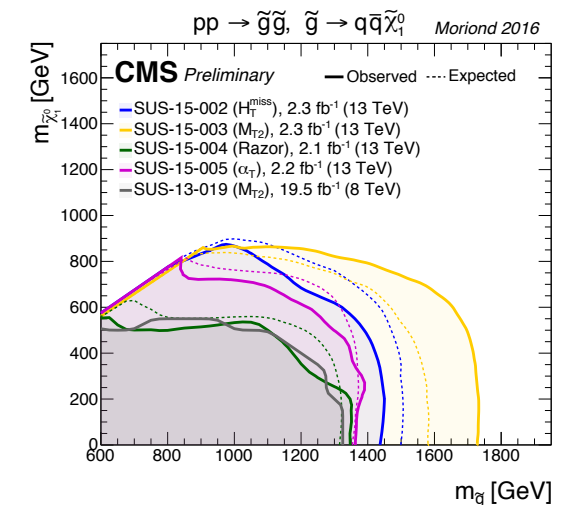
Proton structure as encoded by parton distribution functions (PDFs) form one of the largest uncertainties on the Higgs production cross section

The role of pQCD

- Similar roles of pQCD at the LHC and at a future EIC:

LHC: disentangle pQCD effects from new beyond-the-SM phenomena (SUSY, dark matter, extra dimensions, ...)

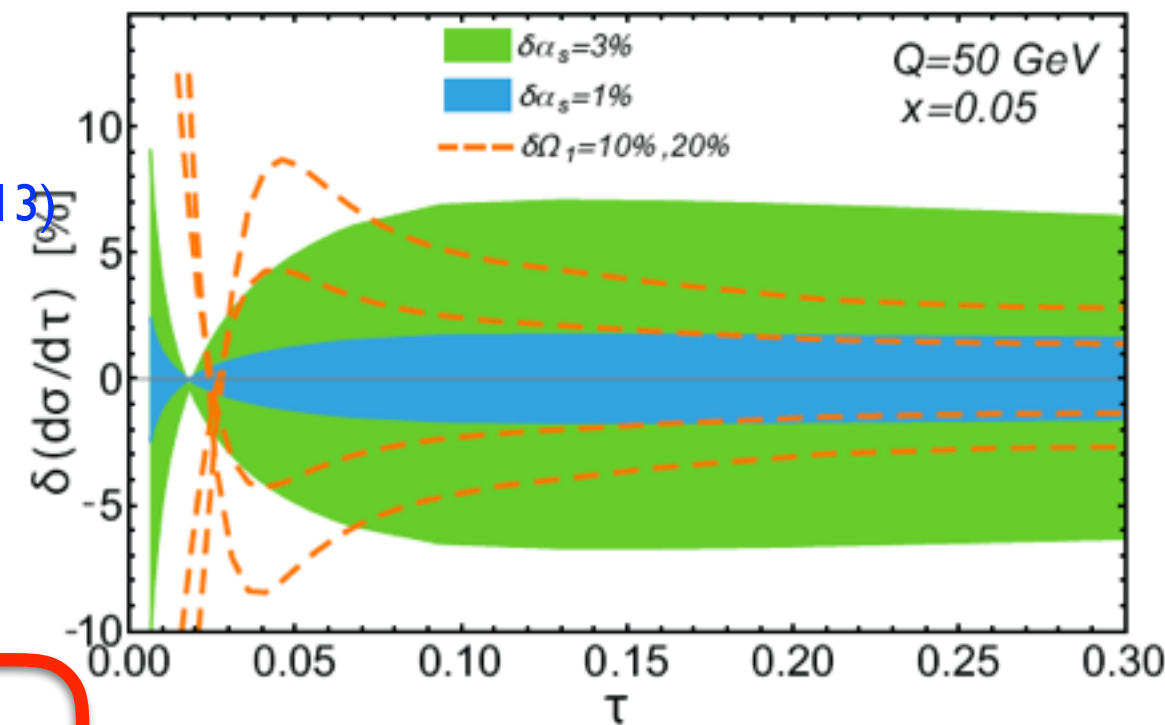
EIC: disentangle pQCD effects from the measurements of nucleon structure (helicity PDFs, higher-twist, ...)



Extracted TMDs depend on the scheme (UV) and perturbative order (LO, NLO, NNLL, ...), at which the hard part and the TMD evolution kernels, were calculated!

Jet physics at the EIC

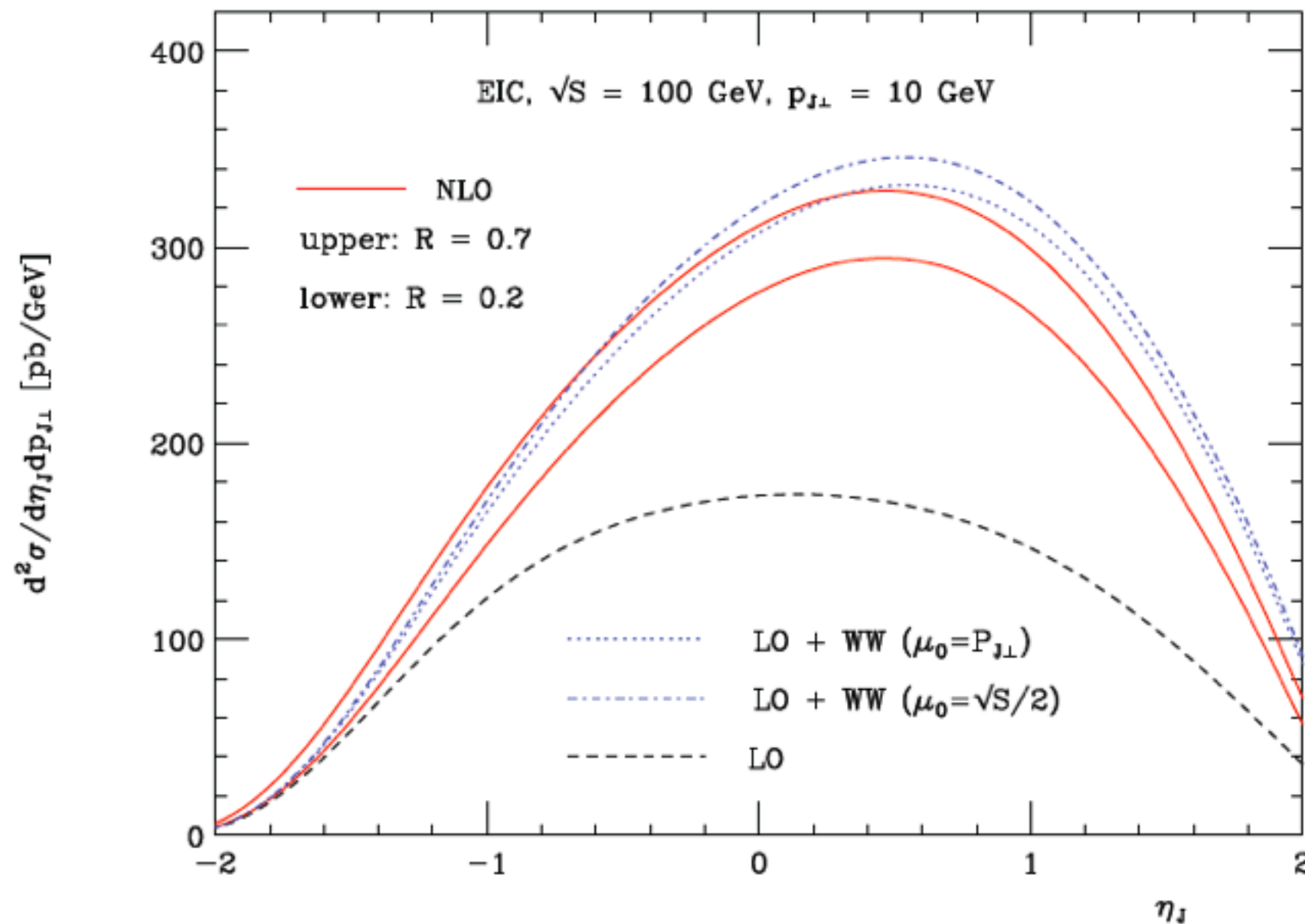
- Numerous motivations for studying inclusive jet production at a future EIC; already many talks at this workshop
- Investigation of proton structure, the focus of this talk
- Determination of higher-twist properties of the proton [Z. Kang, Metz, Qiu, Zhou PRD84 \(2011\)](#)
- Measure properties of the nuclear medium with event shapes [Z. Kang, Liu, Mantry, Qiu PRD88 \(2013\)](#)
- Measurement of the strong coupling constant through DIS event shapes
[D. Kang, Lee, Stewart arXiv:1601.01499](#)



The precision of an EIC plays a critical role in all of these measurements!

The challenge: large pQCD effects

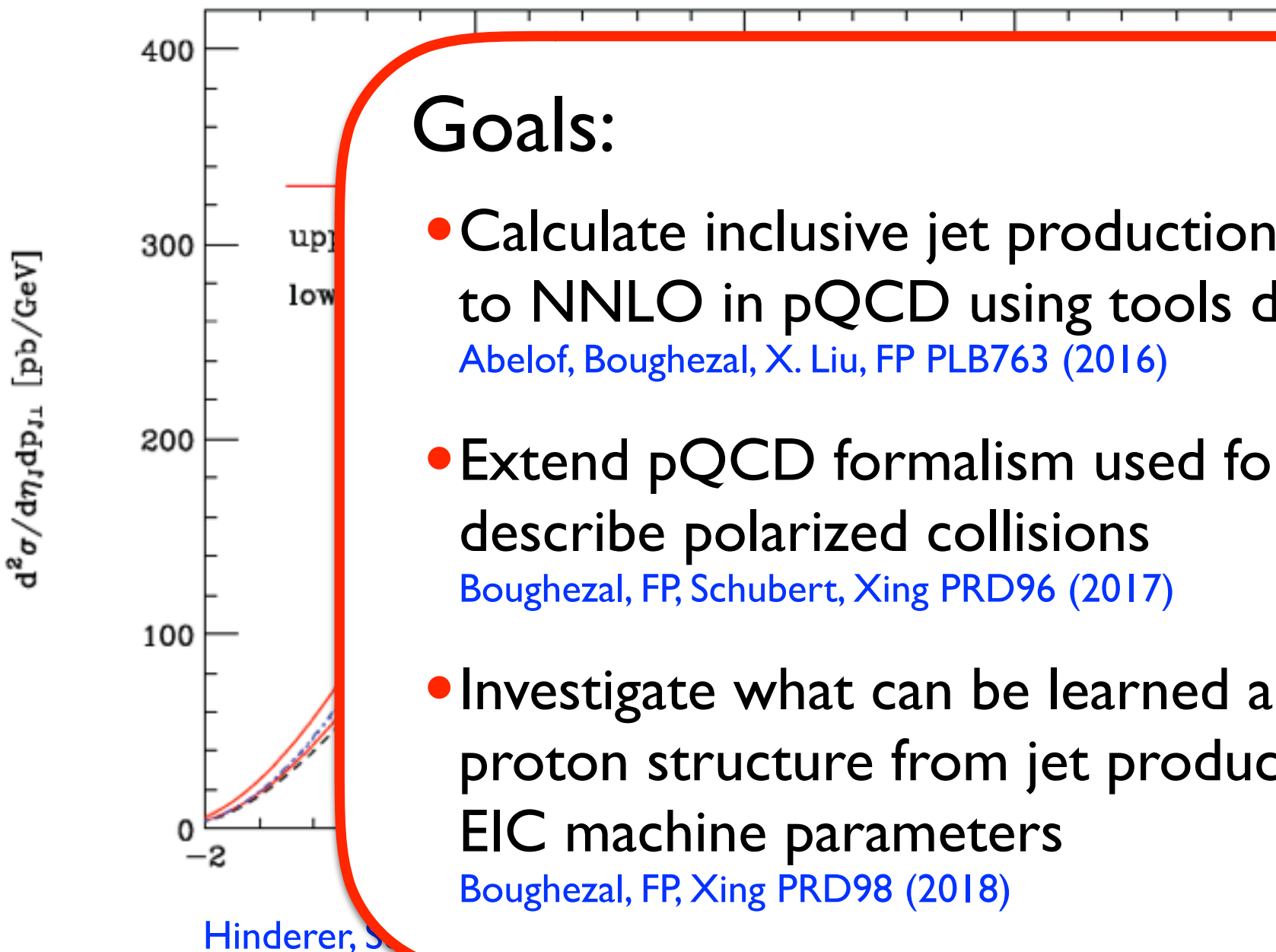
- Motivation: calculation of inclusive jet production through NLO



- Large NLO perturbative corrections, O(100%)
- Can we go to NNLO to facilitate precision EIC measurements?

Hinderer, Schlegel, Vogelsang PRD92 (2015)

The challenge: large pQCD effects



Goals:

- Calculate inclusive jet production in unpolarized DIS to NNLO in pQCD using tools developed for LHC
[Abelof, Boughezal, X. Liu, FP PLB763 \(2016\)](#)
- Extend pQCD formalism used for NNLO to also describe polarized collisions
[Boughezal, FP, Schubert, Xing PRD96 \(2017\)](#)
- Investigate what can be learned about polarized proton structure from jet production for different EIC machine parameters
[Boughezal, FP, Xing PRD98 \(2018\)](#)

relative
(0%)
se errors
facilitate
measurements?

Theoretical framework and setup

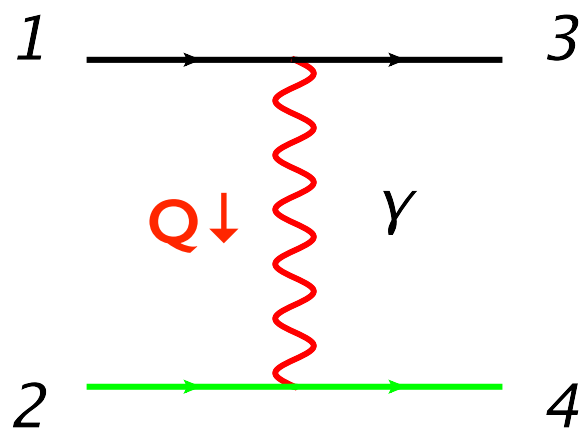
- We assume standard collinear factorization:

$$\sigma_{eN \rightarrow X} = \int dx \underbrace{f_{i/N}(x, \mu_F)}_{PDF} \underbrace{\hat{\sigma}_{il \rightarrow X}(x, \mu_F)}_{\text{partonic cross section}} + \underbrace{\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\Lambda_{QCD}}{Q}\right)^n}_{\text{power corrections}}$$

DIS: $eN \rightarrow eN$

- lepton tagged
- Cut on Q^2
- hard scale: Q

$$q(p_1) + l(p_2) \rightarrow q(p_3) + l(p_4)$$



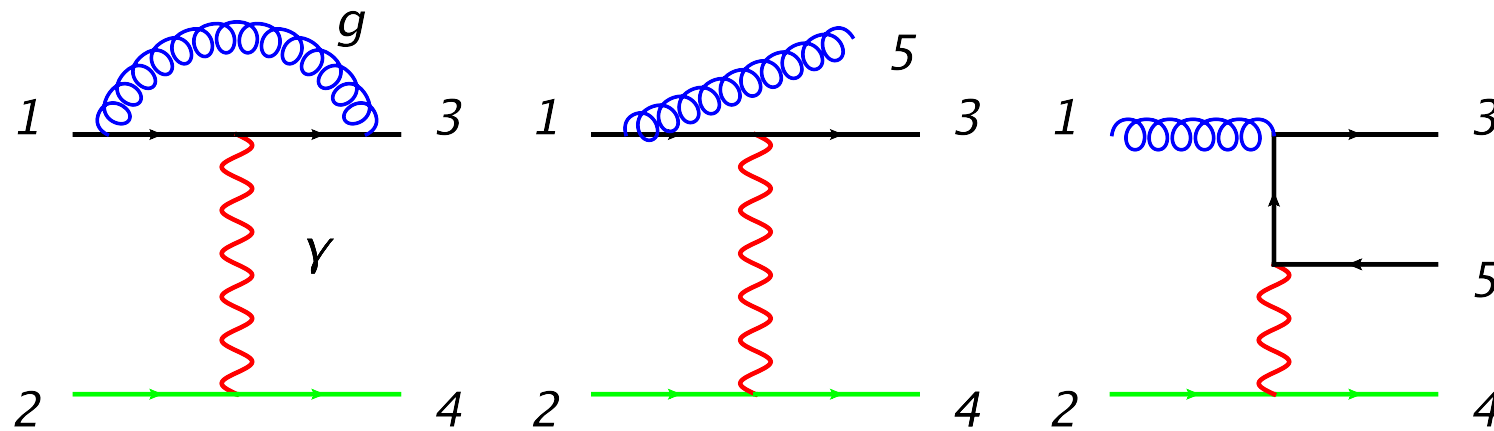
Inclusive jet production: $eN \rightarrow jX$

- lepton *not* tagged
- Cut on p_{Tjet}
- hard scale: p_{Tjet}

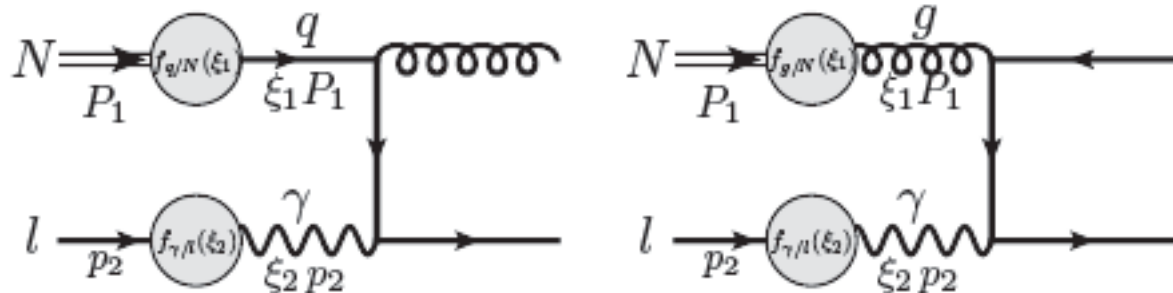
- **Leading order:** identical for both processes, lepton recoils against a jet

NLO $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^2\alpha_s)$ corrections

- Typical real and virtual corrections to the quark-lepton scattering processes; new contribution from gluon-lepton scattering \rightarrow calculation amenable to standard techniques



- **New configuration:** lepton collinear to the beam ($Q^2 \sim 0$), with two jets balancing in the transverse plane; on-shell photon scattering with quark \rightarrow differentiates DIS and inclusive jet production

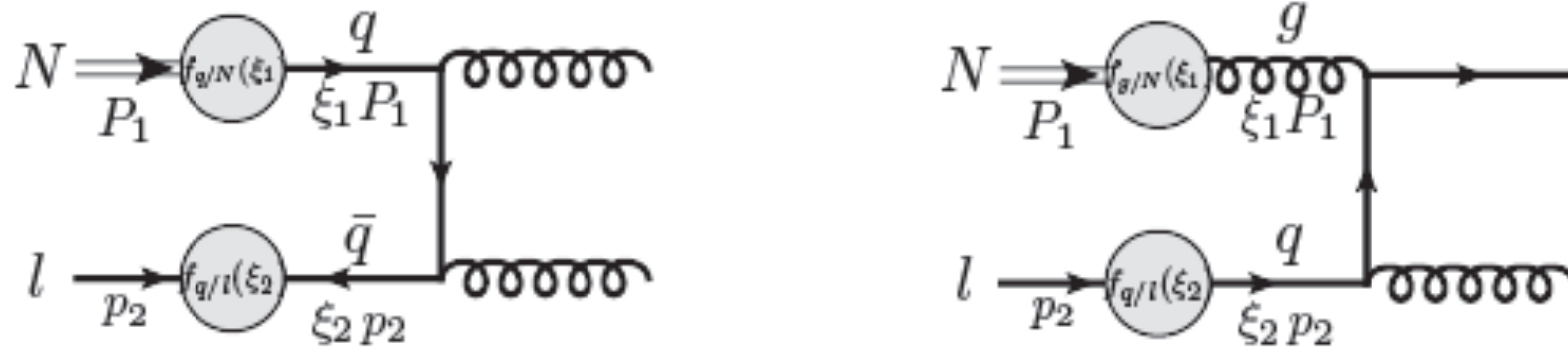


$$f_{\gamma/l}(\xi) = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} P_{\gamma l}(\xi) \left[\ln \left(\frac{\mu^2}{\xi^2 m_l^2} \right) - 1 \right] + \mathcal{O}(\alpha^2)$$

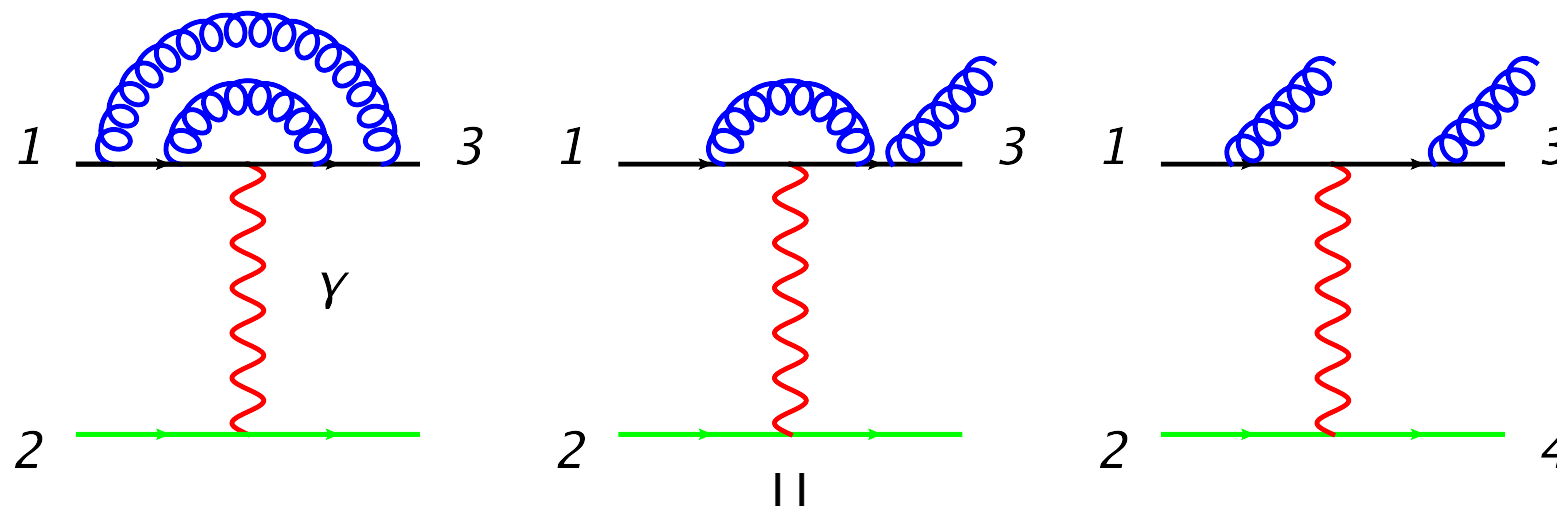
$$P_{\gamma l}(\xi) = \frac{1 + (1 - \xi)^2}{\xi}$$

NNLO $O(\alpha^2\alpha_s^2)$ corrections

- **New configuration:** incoming lepton can split into a quark, leading to parton-parton scattering channels. They first appear at this order, and are therefore effectively leading order in our treatment.



- Standard NLO corrections to quark-photon scattering
- Double-virtual, real-virtual, and double-real corrections to quark-lepton scattering



N-jettiness subtraction

Enormous progress solving this problem for LHC physics!

- We can simplify such calculations using a global event shape variable first introduced in soft-collinear effective theory (SCET)

$$\tau_N = \sum_k \min \{ n_i \cdot q_k \}$$

N-jettiness, an event shape variable (similar to thrust)
Stewart, Tackmann, Waalewijn PRL 105 (2010)

light-like directions of initial beams and final-state jets

momenta of final-state partons

Intuition: $\tau_N \sim 0$: all radiation is either soft, or collinear to a beam/jet
 $\tau_N > 0$: at least one additional jet beyond Born level is resolved

N-jettiness subtraction

Boughezal, Focke, X. Liu, FP, PRL 115 (2015); Gaunt, Stahlhofen, Tackmann, Walsh JHEP1509 (2015)

$$\sigma = \int d\tau_N \frac{d\sigma}{d\tau_N} \theta(\tau^{cut} - \tau_N) + \int d\tau_N \frac{d\sigma}{d\tau_N} \theta(\tau_N - \tau^{cut})$$

a simpler effective theory description is available for the region

have one more resolved jet than at Born level; **only need NLO in this region!**

Stewart, Tackmann, Waalewijn PRL 105 (2010)

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\tau_N} (\tau_N \ll Q) \sim H \otimes B_a \otimes S \otimes \left[\prod_{n=1}^N J_n \right]$$

hard scales in the process (e.g., transverse momenta of jets)

describes hard radiation

describes radiation collinear to initial-state beams (matches onto collinear PDFs); **universal**

describes soft radiation; **universal**

describes radiation collinear to final-state jets; **universal**

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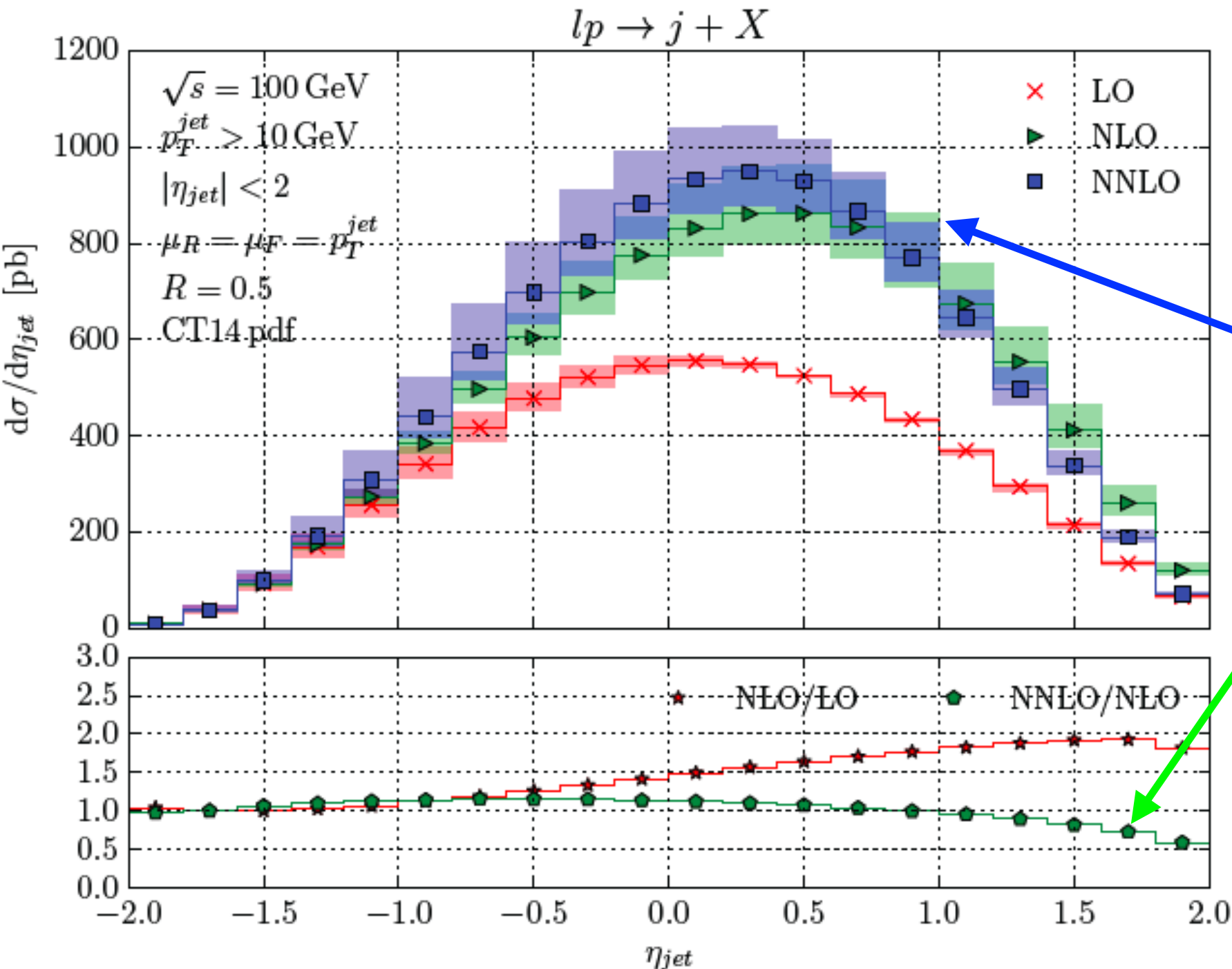
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- Expand this formula to $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$, and turn off all resummation, to get the NNLO cross section below the cut. Need each of these separate functions to NNLO.
- **H@NNLO**: Matsuura, van der Merck, van Nerven (1988)
- **B@NNLO**: Gaunt, Stahlhofen, Tackmann (2014); Boughezal, FP, Schubert, Xing (2017)
- **S@NNLO**: Boughezal, X. Liu, FP (2015)
- **J@NNLO**: Becher, Neubert (2006); Becher, Bell (2011)

Within the past few years all ingredients have become available to apply this idea to jet production at the EIC!

EIC jet production at NNLO

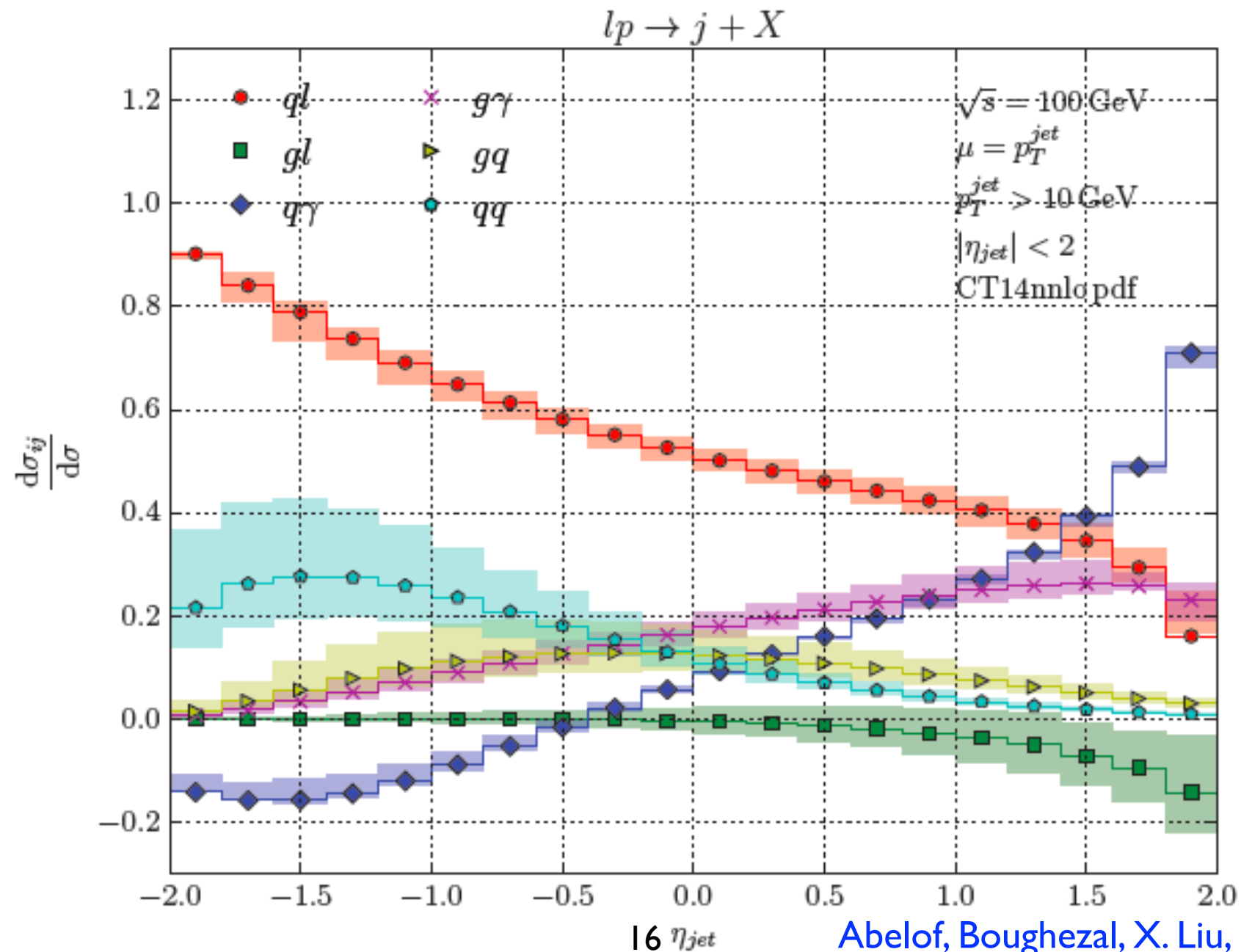
- We can now revisit inclusive jet production at a future EIC



- **Perturbation theory stabilizes at NNLO!**
- Sizable corrections in the forward region; don't want to confuse this with PDF x dependence!

EIC jet production at NNLO

- Jet distributions at the EIC are an excellent probe of PDFs; no single channel dominates over all of phase space, indicating that different kinematic regions provide access to different partonic luminosities.



Polarized collisions

- We are interested in polarized proton structure at an EIC; need to extend N-jettiness subtraction to handle polarized collisions
- Schematic form of factorization theorem for unpolarized and longitudinally polarized collisions:

unpolarized: $d\sigma/d\tau \sim H \otimes B \otimes J \otimes S$

polarized: $d\Delta\sigma/d\tau \sim \Delta H \otimes \Delta B \otimes J \otimes S$

known helicity-dependent 2-loop virtual corrections

two-loop helicity-dependent beam function; **unknown!**

Operator definition and matching

- The longitudinally-polarized quark beam function has an operator definition:

$$\Delta B_q(t, x, \mu) = \langle p_n(P^-), + | \theta(\omega) \bar{\chi}_n(0) \delta(t - \omega \hat{p}^+) \frac{\bar{n} \cdot \gamma \gamma_5}{2} [\delta(\omega - \bar{P}_n) \chi_n(0)] | p_n(P^-), + \rangle$$

quark operator:

$$\chi_n(y) = W_n^\dagger(y) \xi_n(y)$$

$$W_n(y) = \left[\sum_{\text{perms}} \exp \left(-\frac{g}{\bar{P}_n} \bar{n} \cdot A_n(y) \right) \right]$$

right-handed minus left-handed helicity difference

Variables:

x=Bjorken-x

t=N-jettiness value

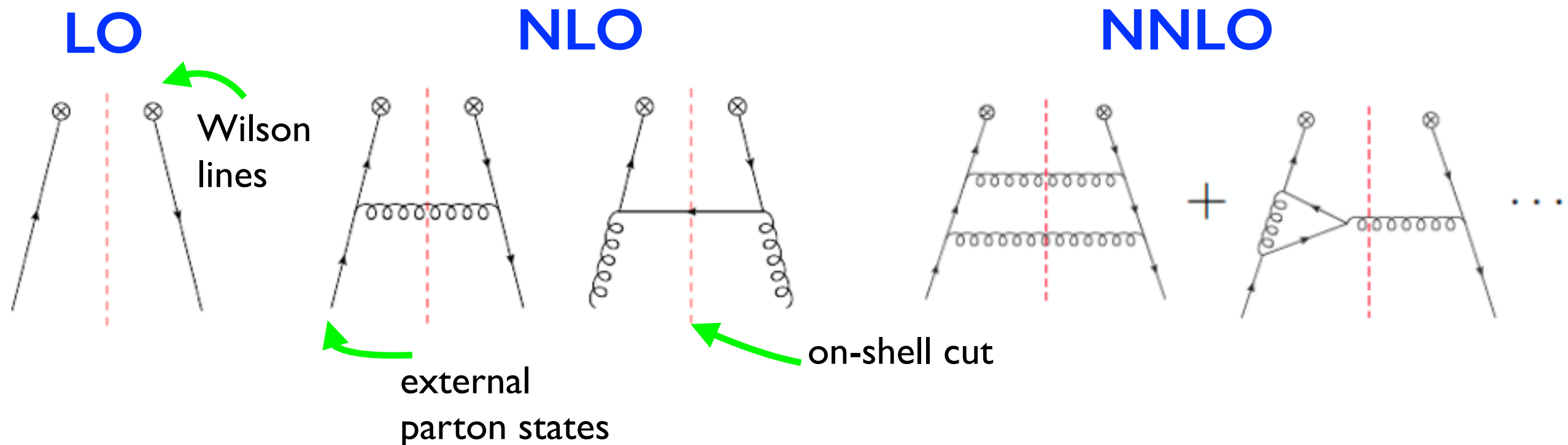
- For $t \gg \Lambda^2_{\text{QCD}}$, can match to the standard polarized PDFs:

$$\Delta B_i(t, x, \mu) = \sum_j \int_x^1 \frac{d\xi}{\xi} \Delta I_{ij} \left(t, \frac{x}{\xi} \right) \Delta f_j(\xi, \mu)$$

perturbative matching coefficients;
need to calculate!

Calculation of the matching coefficients

- Replace external protons by partons to facilitate calculation of Δ_{ij} . Well-defined diagrammatic expansion at each order in perturbation theory



- Use integration-by-parts and differential equation machinery to facilitate NNLO calculation. UV poles the same as in unpolarized case, IR poles match those of polarized PDFs. Treatment of γ_5 in HVBM scheme:

$$\gamma_5 \equiv \frac{i}{4!} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \gamma_\mu \gamma_\nu \gamma_\sigma \gamma_\rho \quad \longrightarrow \quad \{\gamma_5, \tilde{\gamma}_\mu\} = 0, \quad [\gamma_5, \hat{\gamma}_\mu] = 0$$

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logarithms of N-jettiness

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta \mathcal{I}_{qq'}^{(2)}(t, z, \mu) = & \frac{1}{\mu^2} \mathcal{L}_1 \left(\frac{t}{\mu^2} \right) 4\Delta P_{qq}^{(0)} \otimes \Delta P_{qq'}^{(0)} + \frac{1}{\mu^2} \mathcal{L}_0 \left(\frac{t}{\mu^2} \right) \left[4\Delta P_{qq'}^{(1)} + 2\Delta I_{qq}^{(1)}(z) \otimes \Delta P_{qq'}^{(0)} \right] \\ & + \delta(t) C_F T_R \left\{ (1+z) \left[-8\text{Li}_3(1-z) + 8\ln(z)\text{Li}_2(z) - 8\ln(1-z)\text{Li}_2(z) + \frac{10}{3}\ln^3(z) - 4\ln(z)\ln^2(1-z) \right. \right. \\ & \left. \left. - \frac{8}{3}\pi^2\ln(z) + \frac{4}{3}\pi^2\ln(1-z) \right] + (1-z) \left[4\text{Li}_2(z) - 4\pi^2 + \frac{13-17z}{1-z}\ln^2(z) + 10\ln^2(1-z) \right. \right. \\ & \left. \left. - 20\ln(z)\ln(1-z) \right] + (38-2z)\ln(z) - 24(1-z)\ln(1-z) + 64(1-z) \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (65)$$

Simple analytic expressions for all matching coefficients; **ready for phenomenology!**

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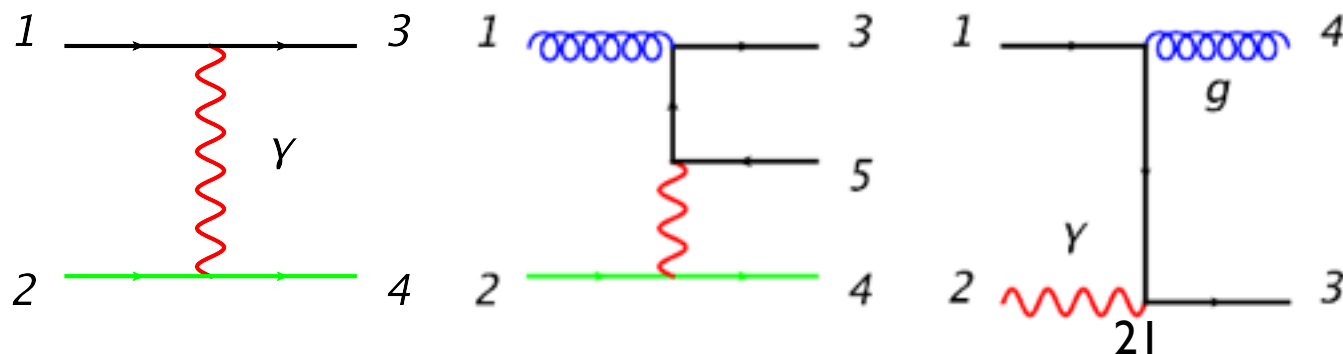
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Double-longitudinal spin asymmetry:

$$A_{LL} = \frac{\sigma^{++} - \sigma^{+-} - \sigma^{-+} + \sigma^{--}}{\sigma^{++} + \sigma^{+-} + \sigma^{-+} + \sigma^{--}} = \frac{\Delta\sigma_{LL}}{\sigma_{unpol}}$$

$$\Delta\sigma_{LL} = \underbrace{\Delta\sigma_{LO} + \Delta\sigma_{NLO}} + \Delta\sigma_{res}$$



Same diagrams as unpolarized case; now sensitive to polarized proton PDFs $\Delta f_{q/P}$, $\Delta f_{g/P}$

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$$\int \frac{d\xi_1 d\xi_2 dy}{\xi_1 \xi_2 y} \Delta f_{i/P}(\xi_1) \Delta f_{j/\gamma}(\xi_2/y) \Delta P_{\gamma l}(y) \Delta \hat{\sigma}_{ij}$$

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polarized proton PDFs polarized photon PDFs polarized QED splitting function

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Inclusive jet production sensitive to both polarized proton and photon structure

Summary of partonic structure:

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qq	$Q^2 \approx 0$	$f_{q/H}, f_{q/\gamma}, \Delta f_{q/H}, \Delta f_{q/\gamma}$
qg	$Q^2 \approx 0$	$f_{q/H}, f_{q/\gamma}, \Delta f_{q/H}, \Delta f_{q/\gamma}, f_{g/H}, f_{g/\gamma}, \Delta f_{g/H}, \Delta f_{g/\gamma}$
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Focus here on $\Delta f_{i/P}$; $\Delta f_{i/\gamma}$ studied in [Chu, Aschenauer, Lee, Zheng PRD96 \(2017\)](#)

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Run parameters

- Jets are reconstructed using the anti- k_T algorithm with $R=0.8$ ($R=0.2$ also studied).
- Central scale choice $\mu=p_T^j$
- NNPDF3.1 unpolarized PDFs, NNPDFpol1.1 polarized PDFs (DSSV also studied)
- Assume 10 fb^{-1} of integrated luminosity to estimate statistical errors

Assumed EIC energies and kinematic coverages:

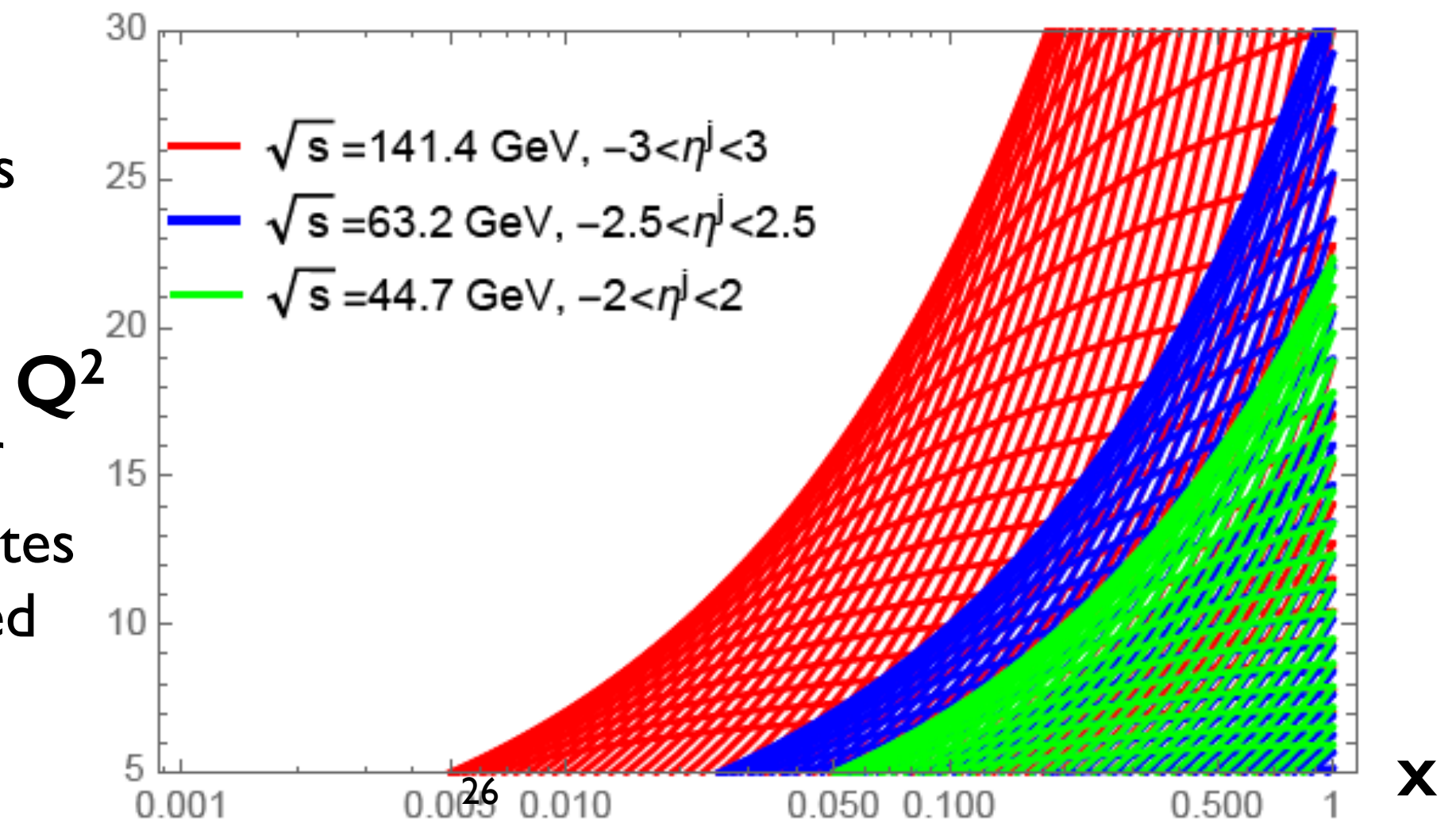
\sqrt{s}	p_T^{jet} range	η^{jet} range
141.4 GeV	$5 \text{ GeV} \leq p_T^j \leq 35 \text{ GeV}$	$-3 \leq \eta^j \leq 3$
63.2 GeV	$5 \text{ GeV} \leq p_T^j \leq 30 \text{ GeV}$	$-2.5 \leq \eta^j \leq 2.5$
44.7 GeV	$5 \text{ GeV} \leq p_T^j \leq 20 \text{ GeV}$	$-2 \leq \eta^j \leq 2$

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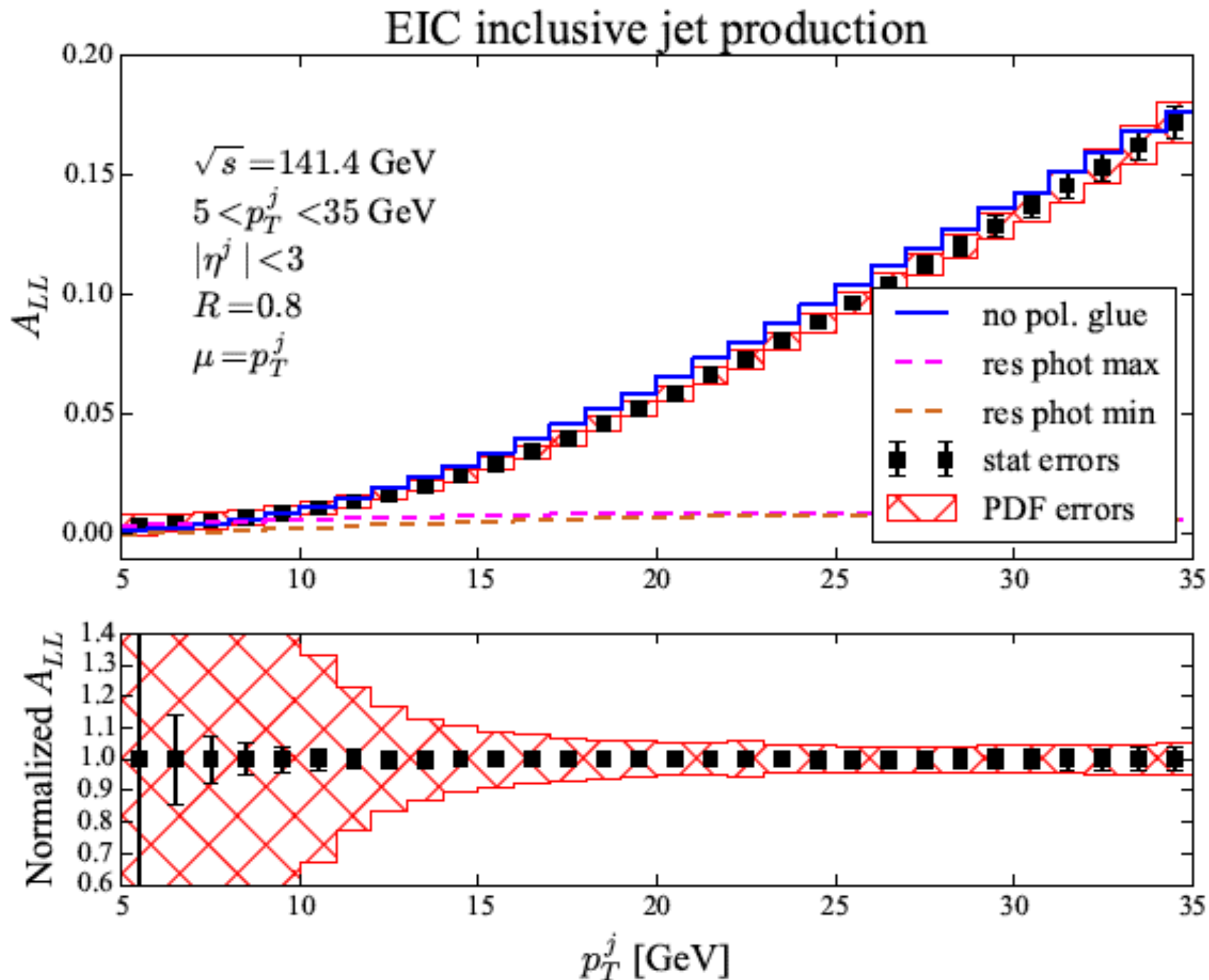
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Mapped to the Q^2 vs
Bjorken- x plane:

Lower- x coverage of
 $\sqrt{s}=141.4 \text{ GeV}$ dictates
much of the observed
phenomenology

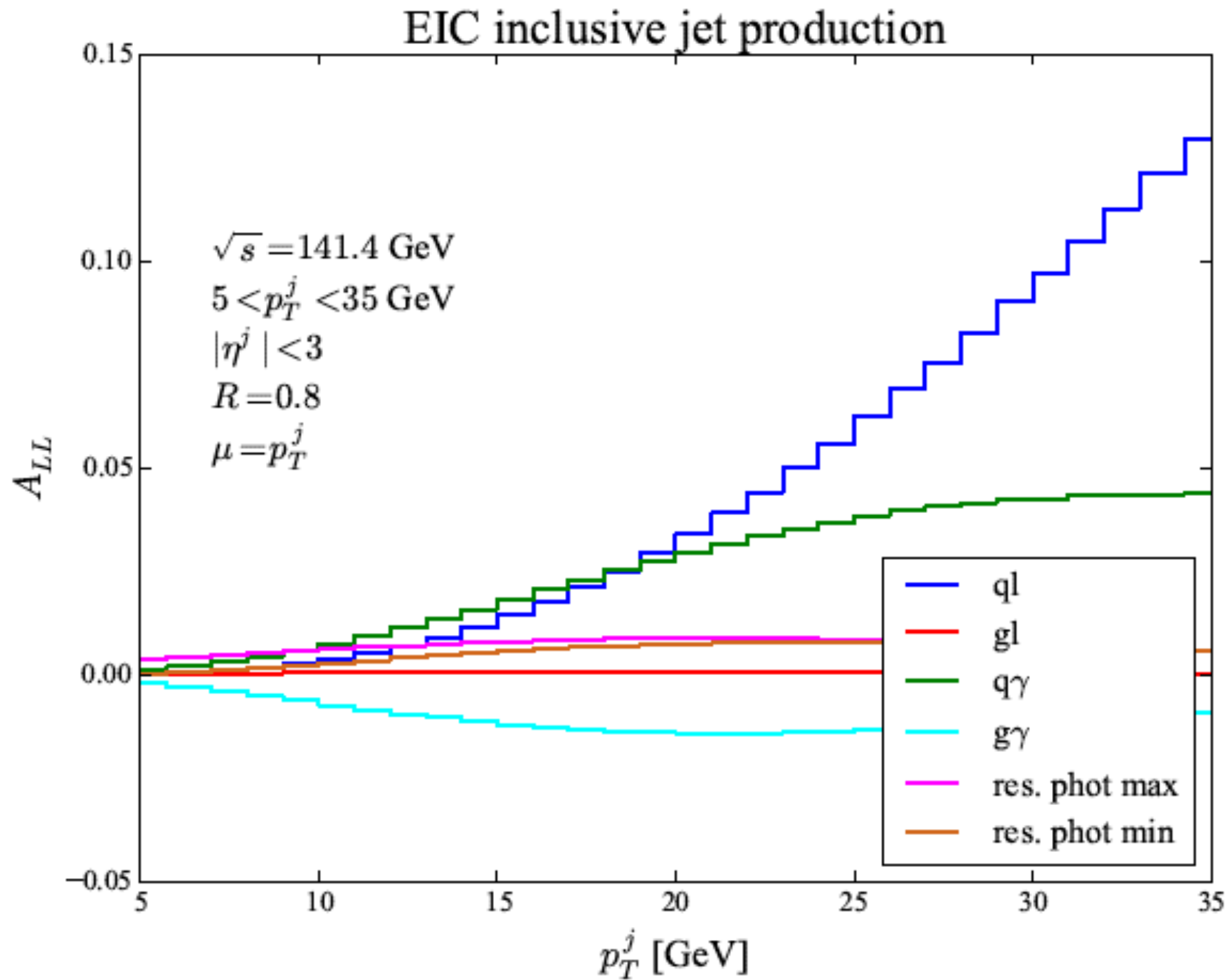


$\sqrt{s}=141.4$ GeV: jet p_T



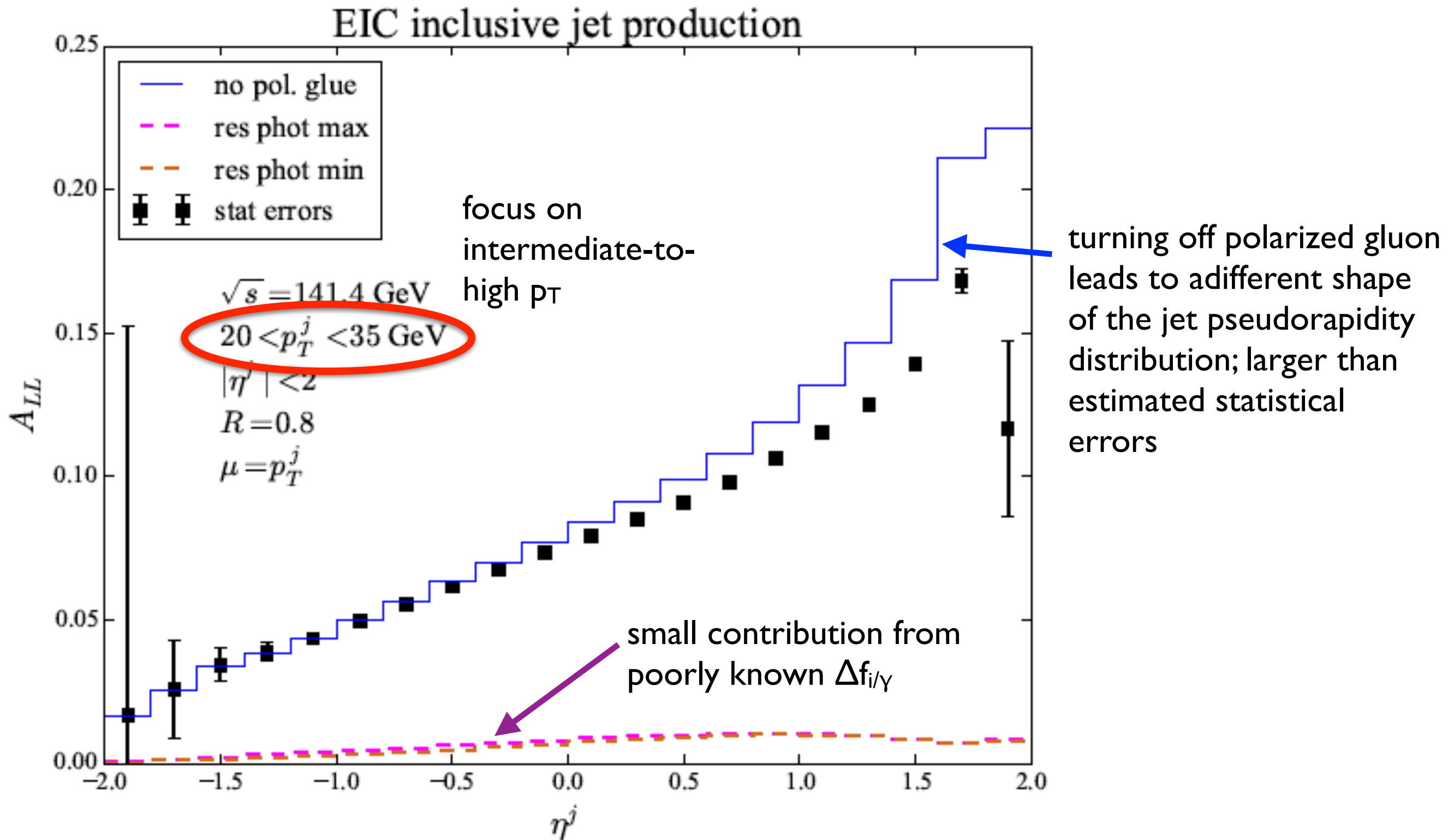
- A_{LL} grows to $\sim 20\%$ at high p_T
- Different polarized $\Delta f_{i/\gamma}$ give small effects, except at low p_T
- Turning off $\Delta f_{g/P}$ leads to observable difference at intermediate p_T
- PDF errors much larger than estimated stat errors; opportunity for EIC to improve our knowledge of Δf !

$\sqrt{s}=141.4$ GeV: jet p_T partonic structure

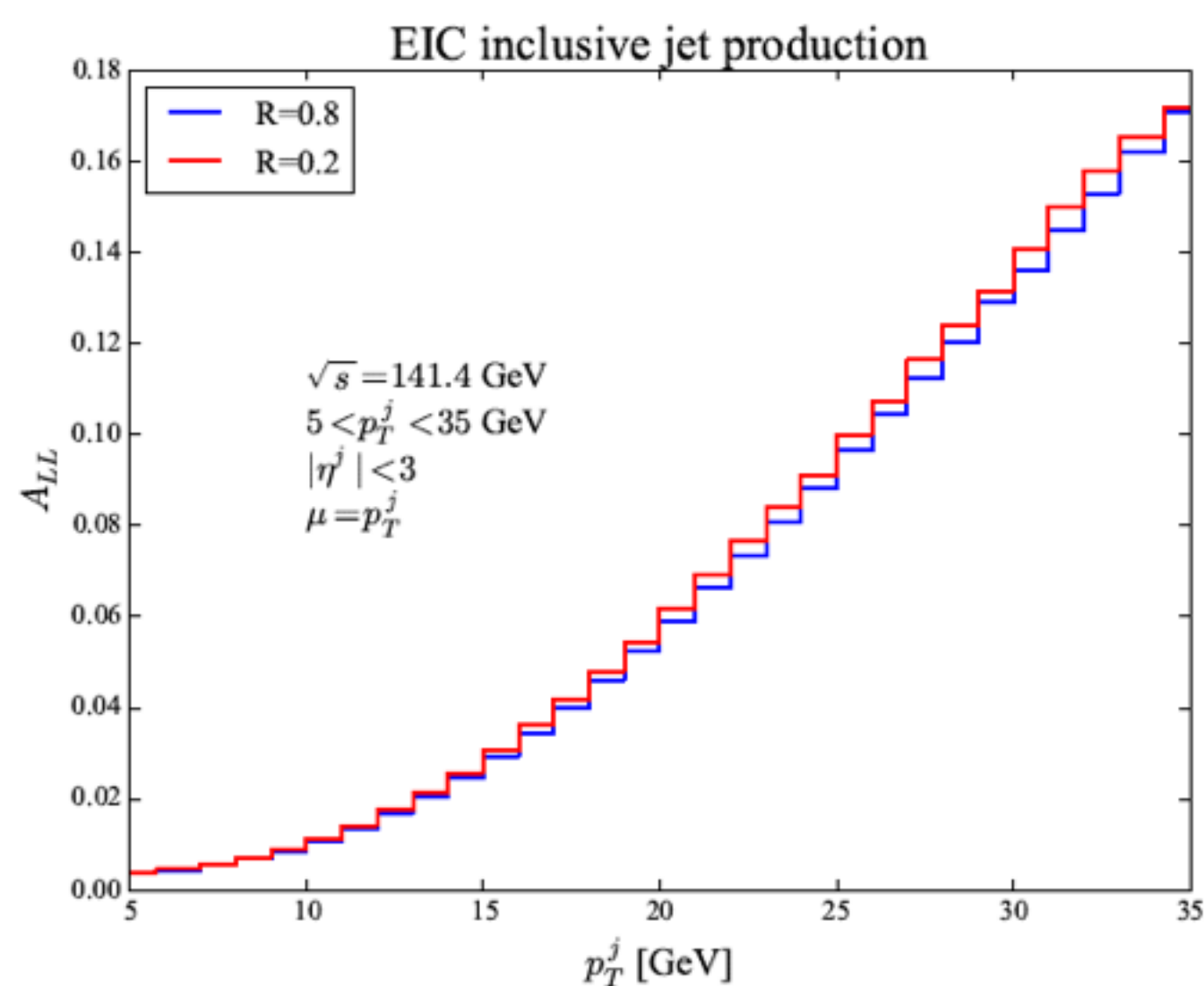


- ql channel dominates at high p_T ; gl channel small throughout
- At intermediate p_T get contributions from $q\gamma$ and $g\gamma$; intermediate p_T region of inclusive jet production sensitive to $\Delta f_{g/P}$

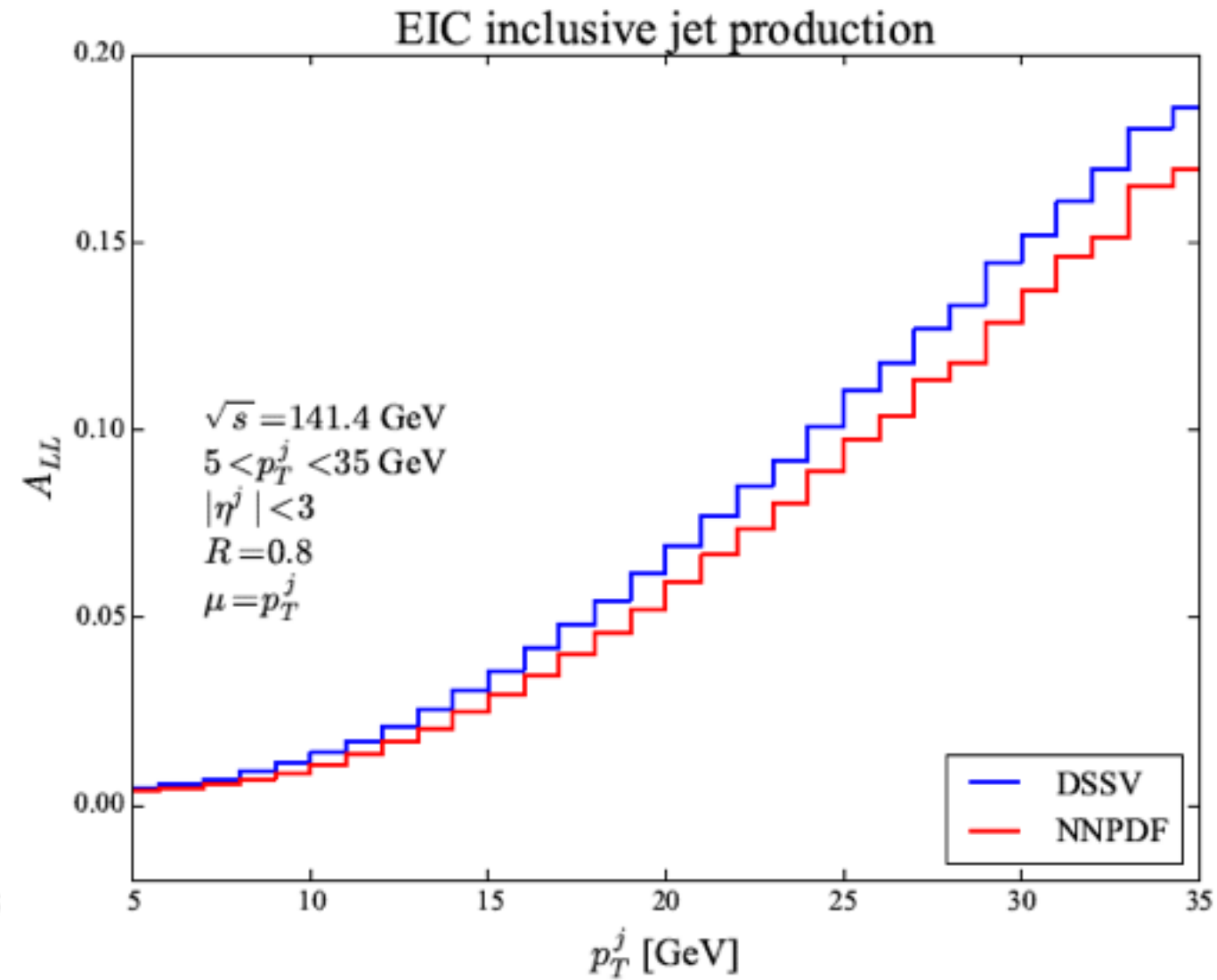
$\sqrt{s}=141.4$ GeV: $\Delta f_{g/P}$ access



$\sqrt{s}=141.4$ GeV: PDF, R dependence



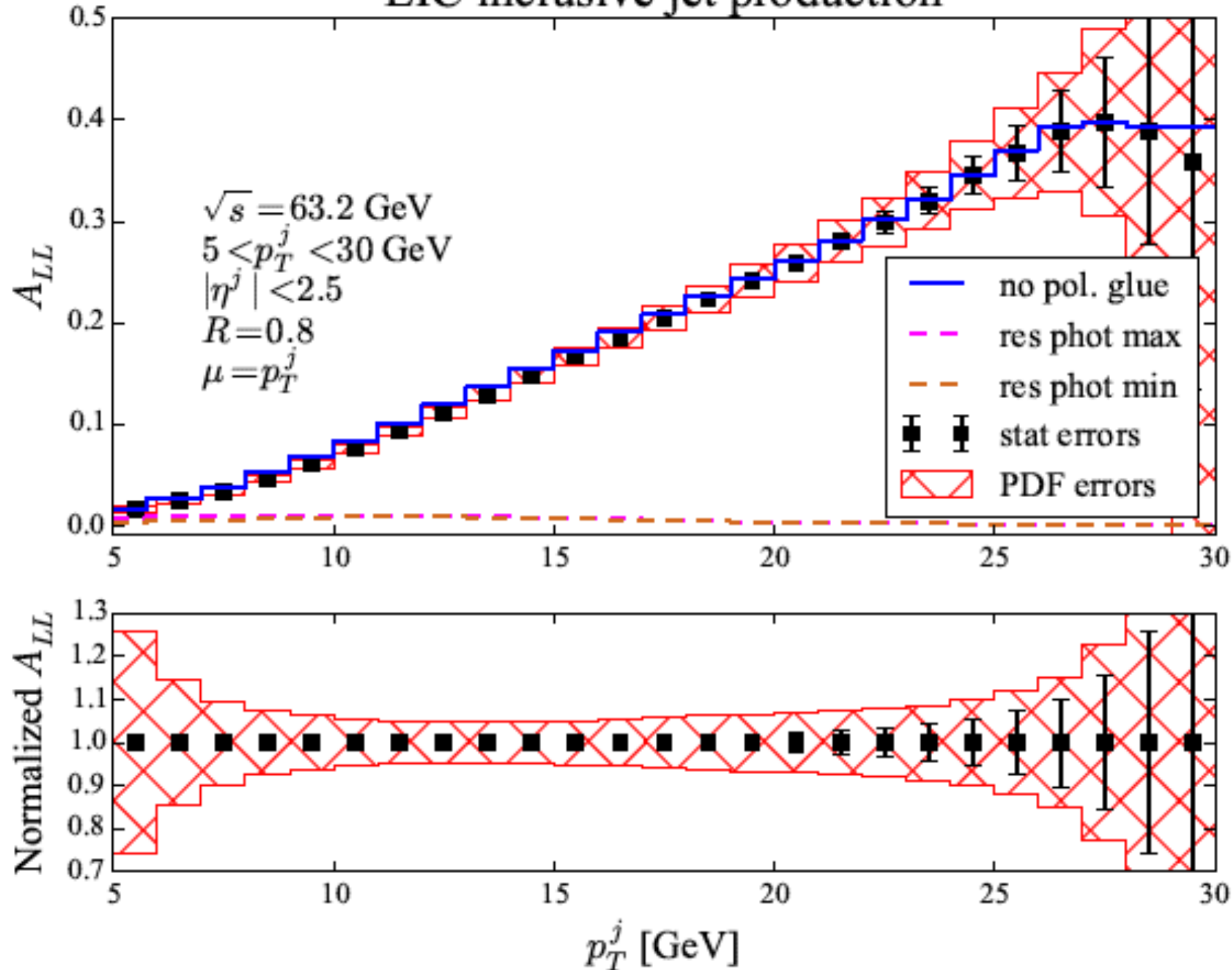
Small dependence on jet radius R for studied distributions



Measurable difference between DSSV and NNPDF polarized PDFs

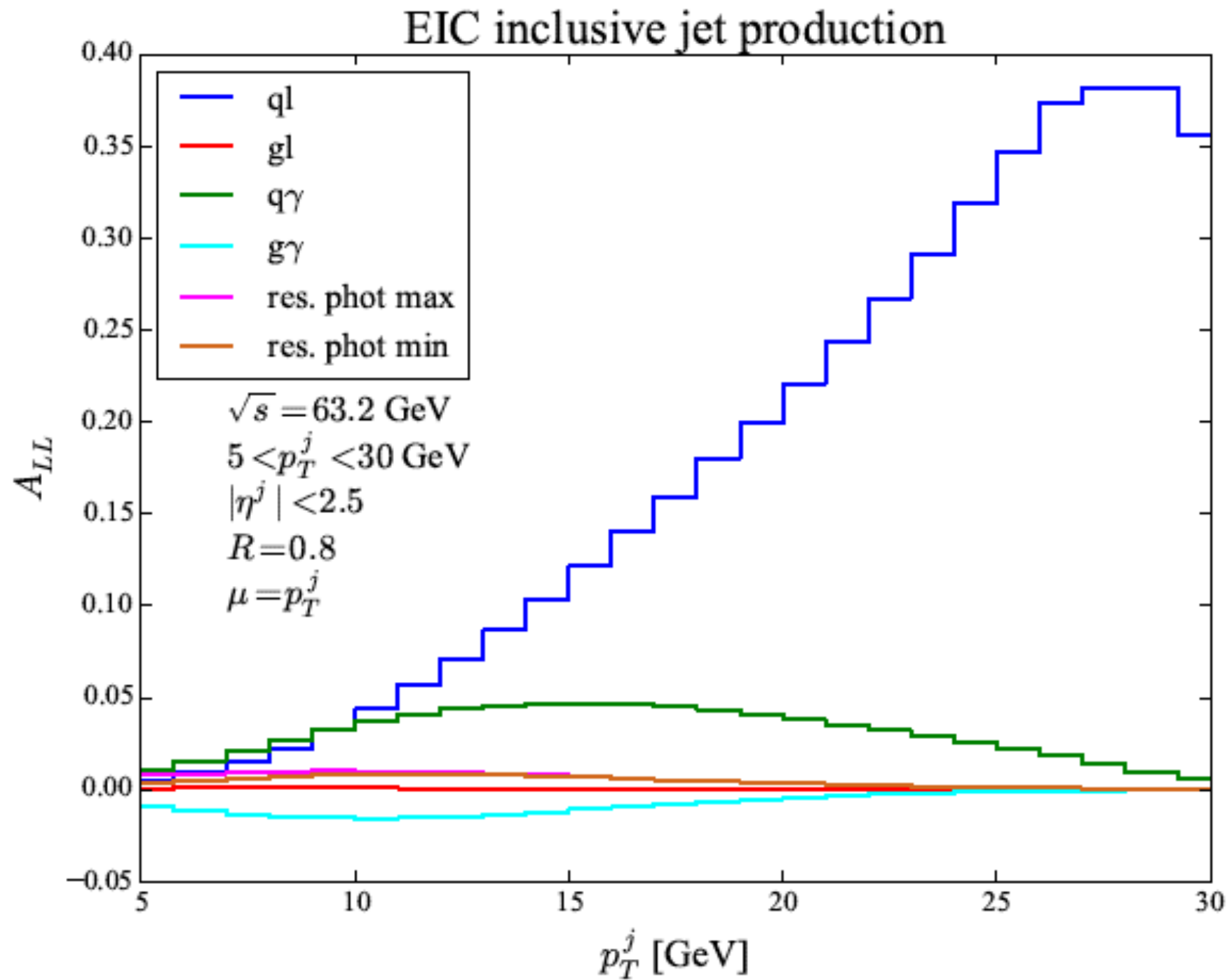
Results for $\sqrt{s}=63.2$ GeV

EIC inclusive jet production



- A_{LL} grows to $\sim 40\%$ at high p_T
- PDF errors still larger than statistical errors; can learn about polarized PDFs

Results for $\sqrt{s}=63.2$ GeV



- Dominated by ql channel
- Sensitivity to $\Delta f_{g/P}$ at low p_T , where it must be disentangled from $\Delta f_{i/\gamma}$. In general less sensitivity to these quantities and fewer handles to disentangle them at lower energies
- Similar conclusions for $\sqrt{s}=44.7$ GeV

Summary

- All ingredients now available for an NNLO description of both polarized and unpolarized observables in collinear factorization for EIC physics
- Inclusion of NNLO corrections to inclusive jet production leads to the expected stabilization of the pQCD expansion
- Inclusive jet production at an EIC is sensitive to the polarized PDFs of both the proton and photon; can separate these quantities with appropriate kinematic selections
- We find that a higher energy EIC leads to broader sensitivity to polarized PDFs than lower energies
- **Feedback welcome!**