



Prospects for isolated quarkonium studies

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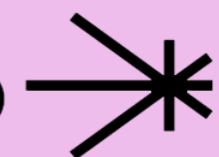


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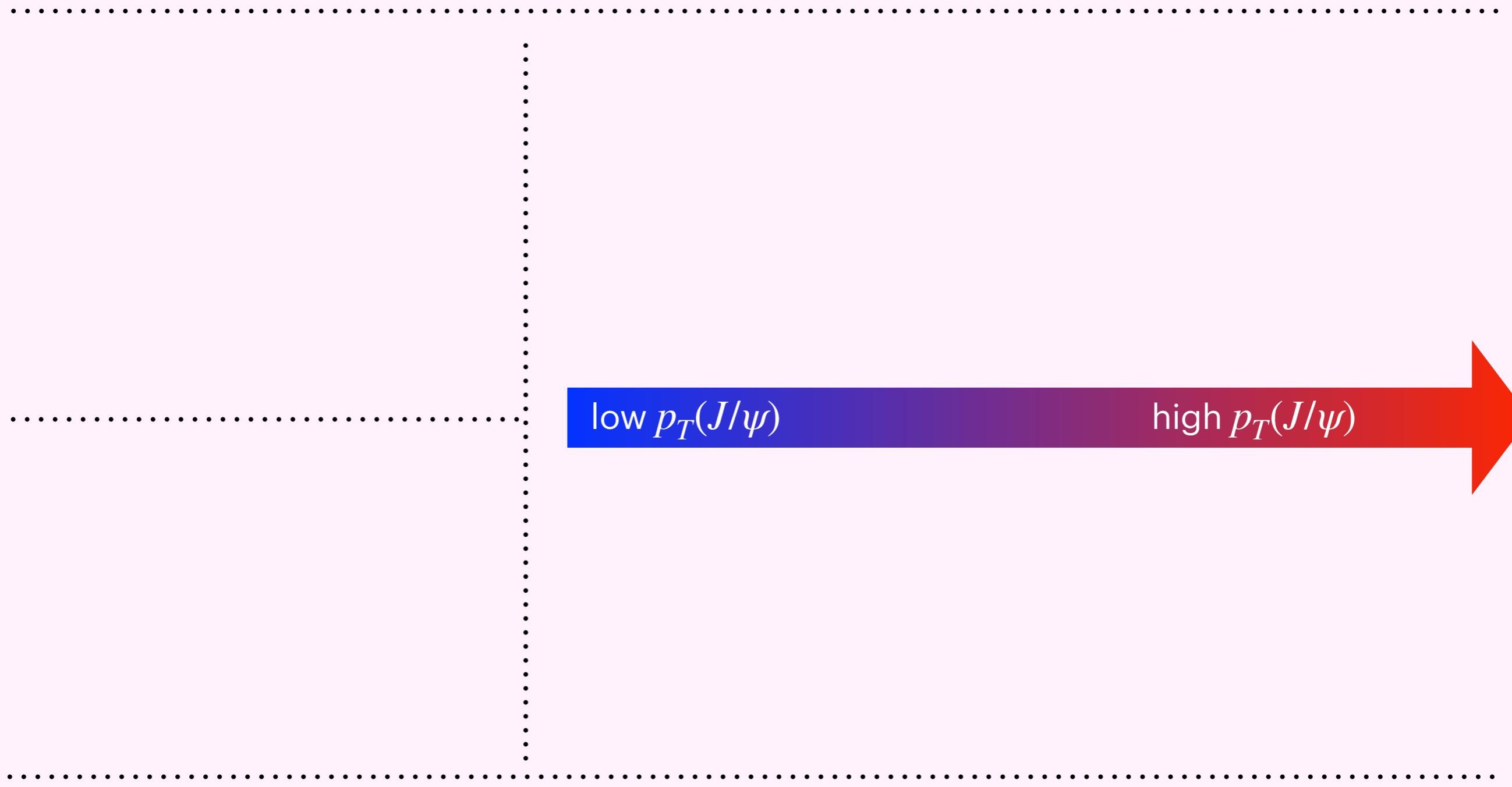


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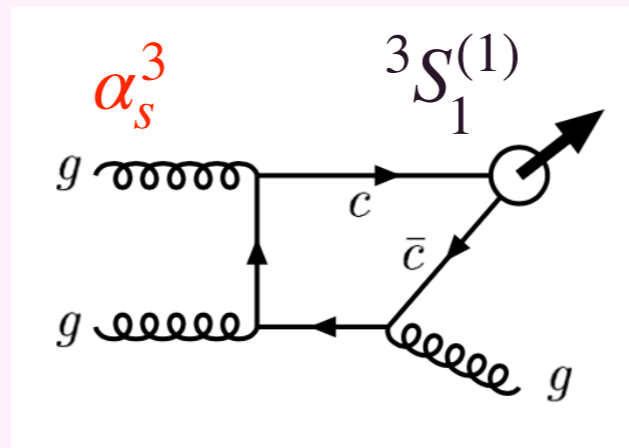
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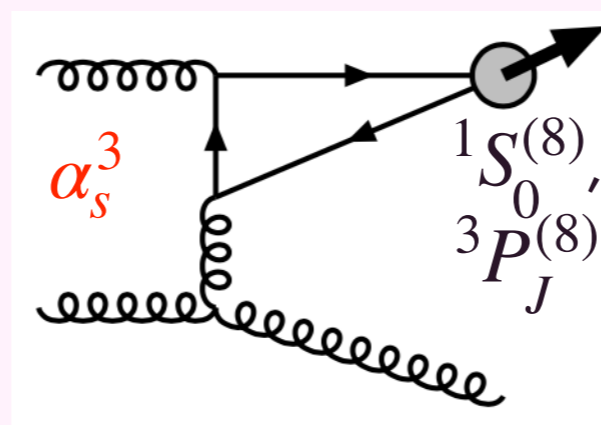
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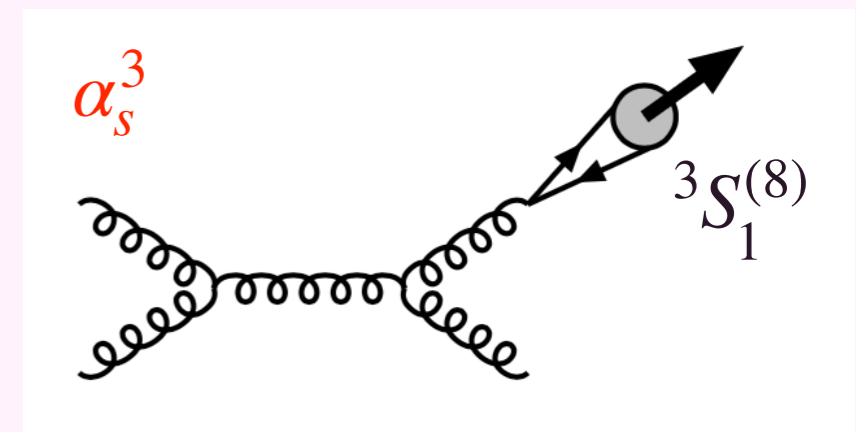
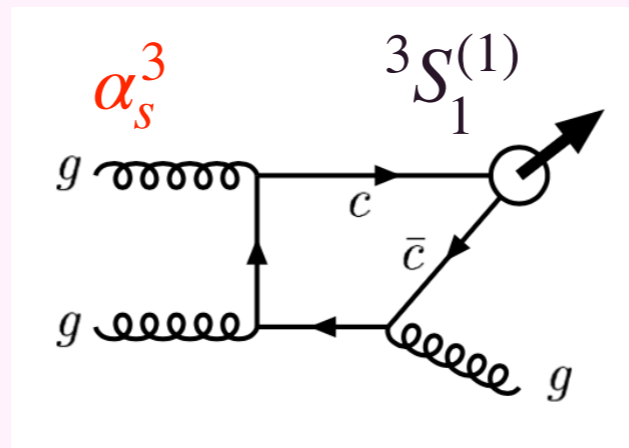
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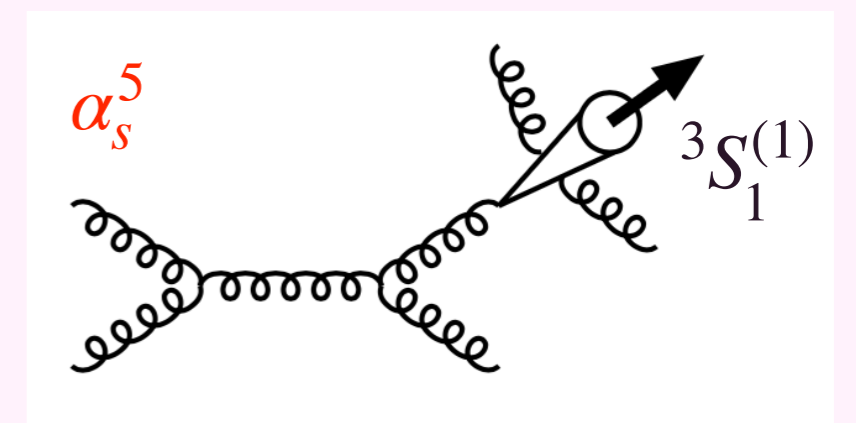
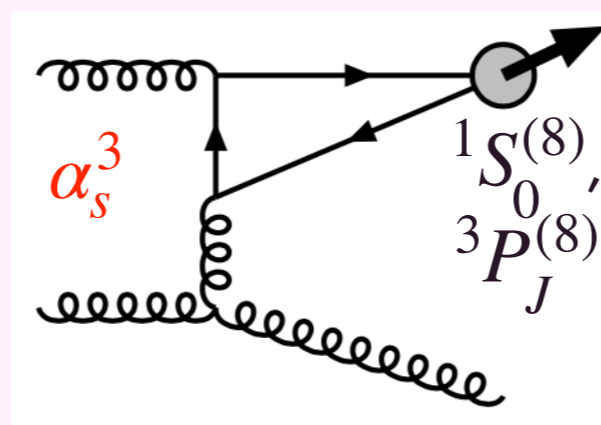
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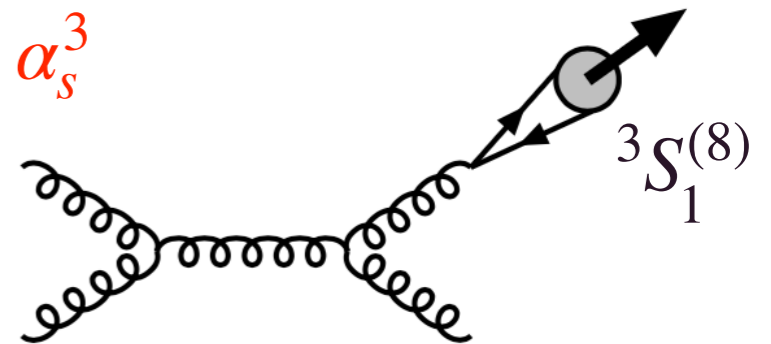
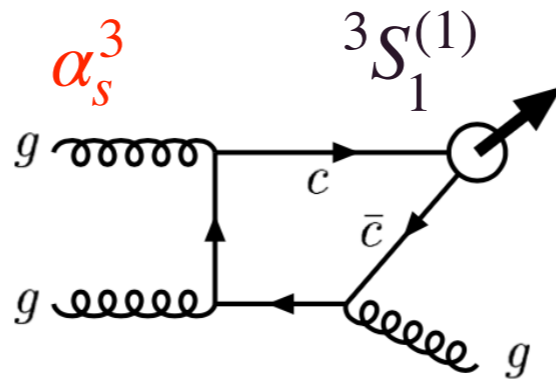
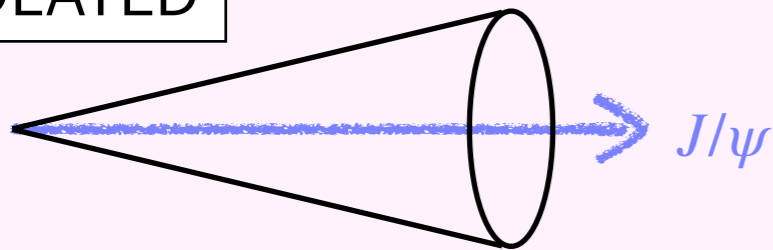
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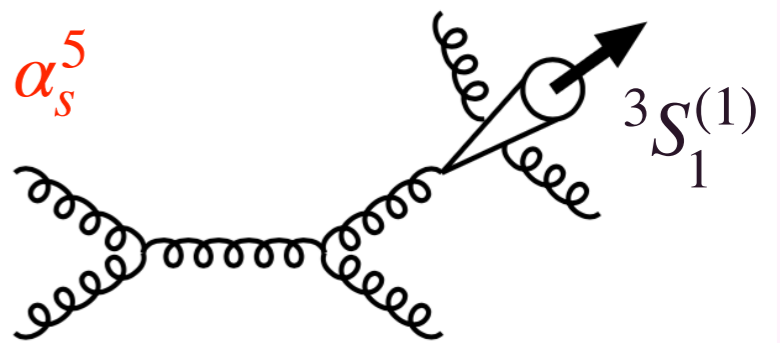
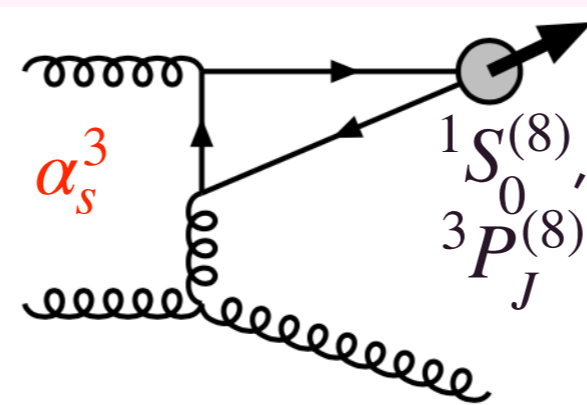
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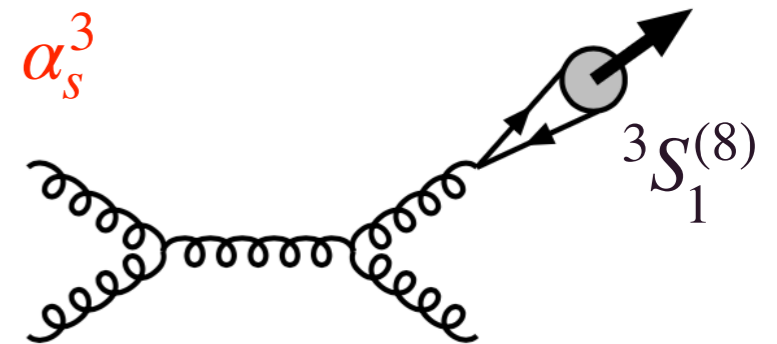
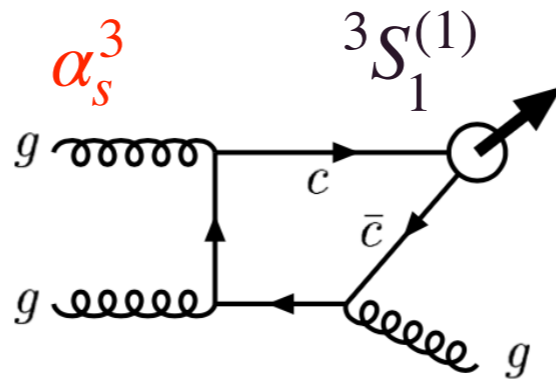
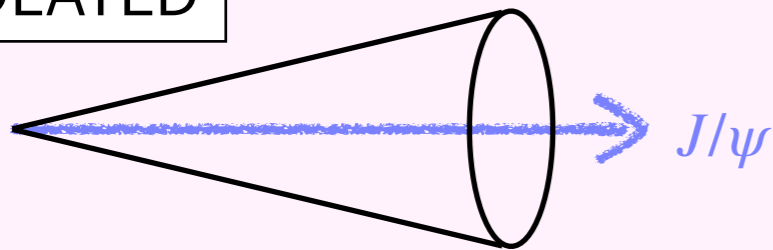
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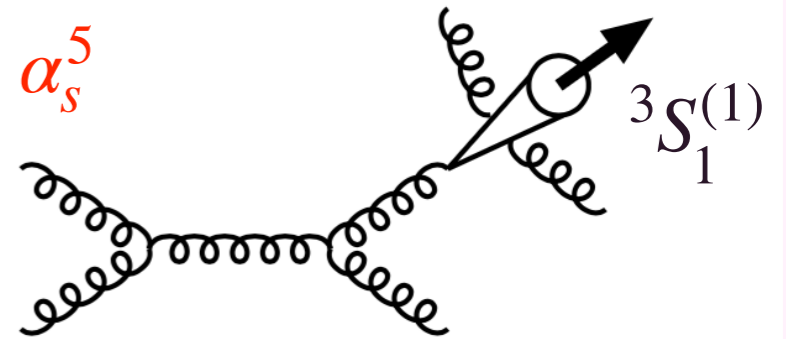
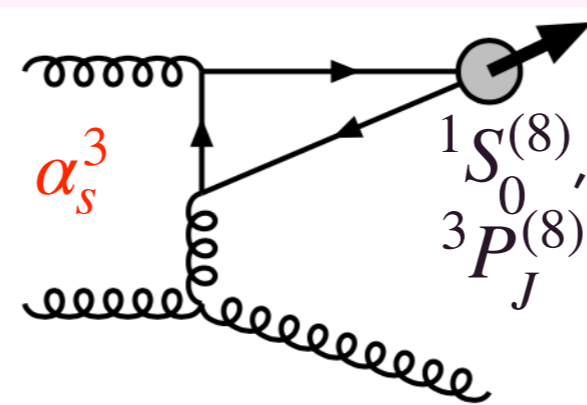
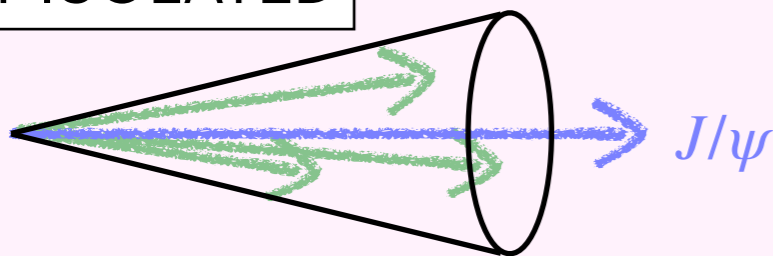
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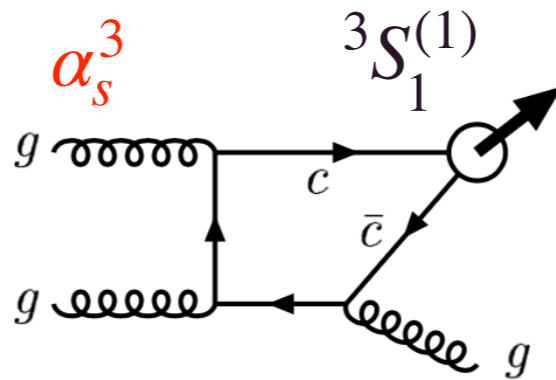
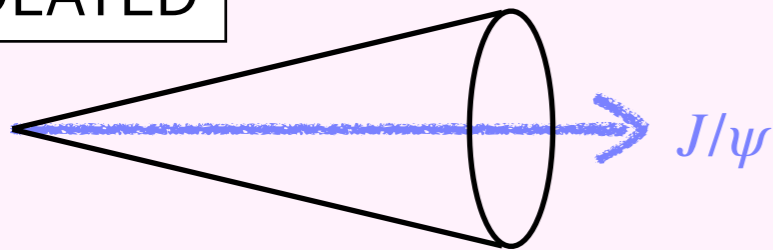
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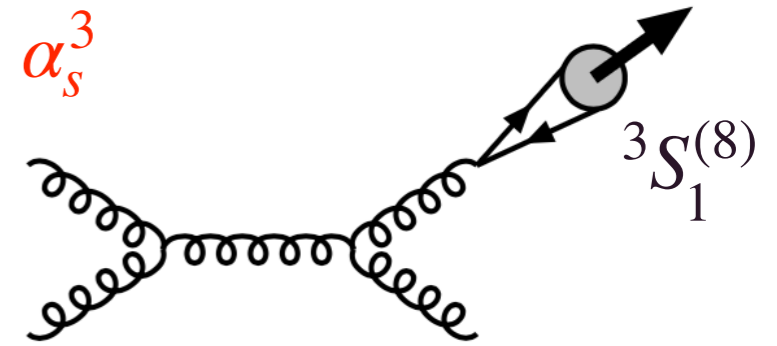
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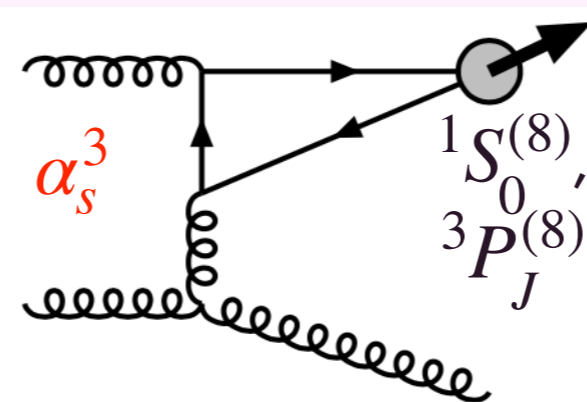
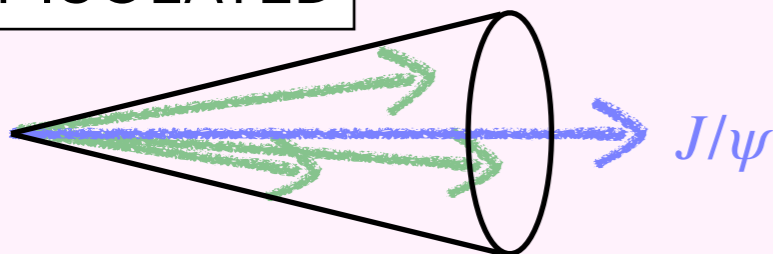
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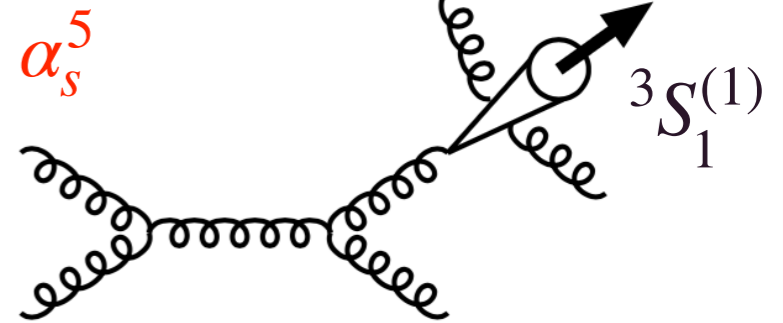
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► **Content covered by this talk:**

1- What we know from theory

2- What we know from experiment

3- What our measurement provides

4- Challenges and our strategy

5- Conclusions



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- ▶ The physics of quarkonia involves several **energy scales**:

$$(m_Q v^2)^2 \ll (m_Q v)^2 \ll m_Q^2$$

kinetic energy

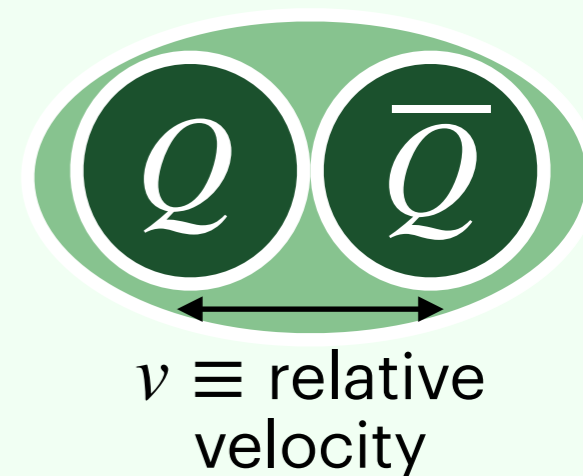
interaction
time

momentum

(spatial size)⁻¹

mass

distance range for
 $Q\bar{Q}$ creation



- ▶ Nearly all approaches to describe quarkonium production...

- * Colour Singlet Model (CSM)

- * Colour Octet Model (COM) within Non-Relativistic QCD (**NRQCD**)

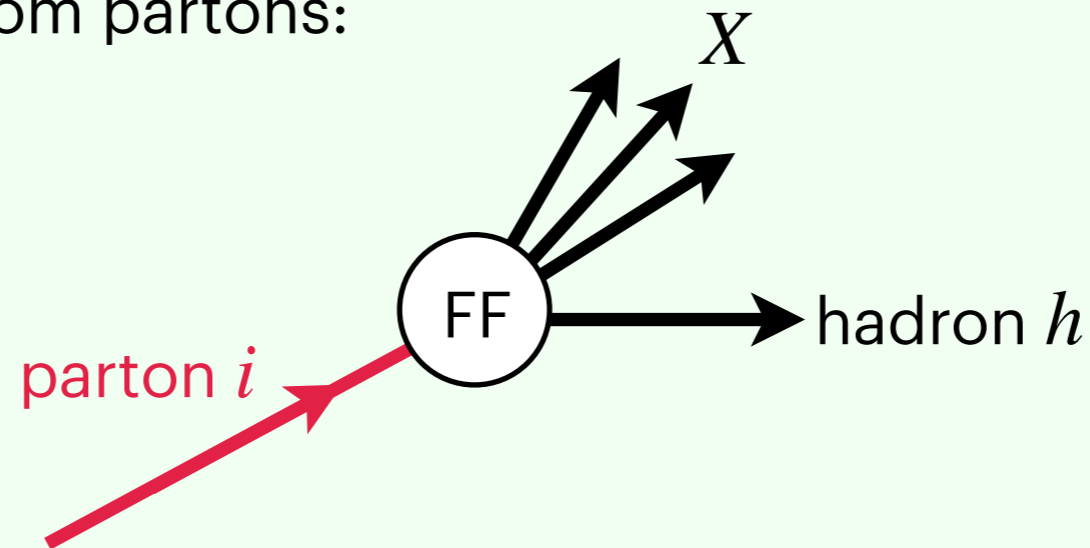
- * (Improved) Colour Evaporation Model (CEM)

... assume a factorisation between the production of the $Q\bar{Q}$ pair and its hadronisation

- ▶ However, **none of them is able to describe consistently experimental studies** of transverse momentum spectra and polarisation

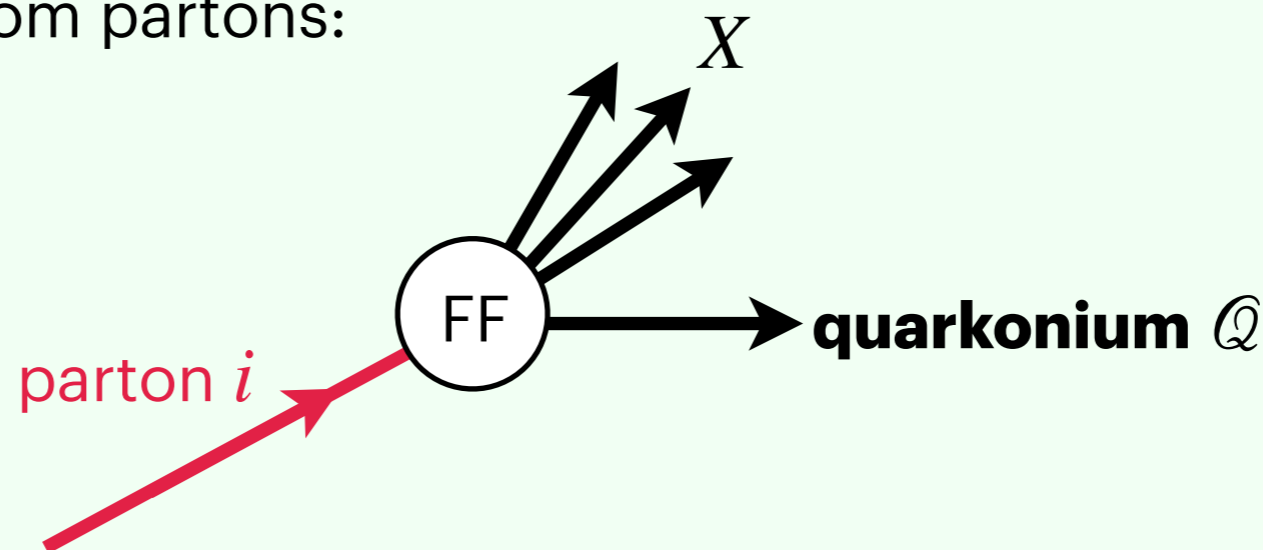
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- What distinguishes **quarkonium FFs** is the existence of the subset of scales, which allows (applying **NRQCD** methodology) to factorise them

$$D_{i \rightarrow Q}(z, \mu) = \sum_n d_{i \rightarrow Q\bar{Q}[n]}(z, \mu) \langle \mathcal{O}^Q[n] \rangle$$

short-distance coefficients which describe the production rate of a $Q\bar{Q}$ pair

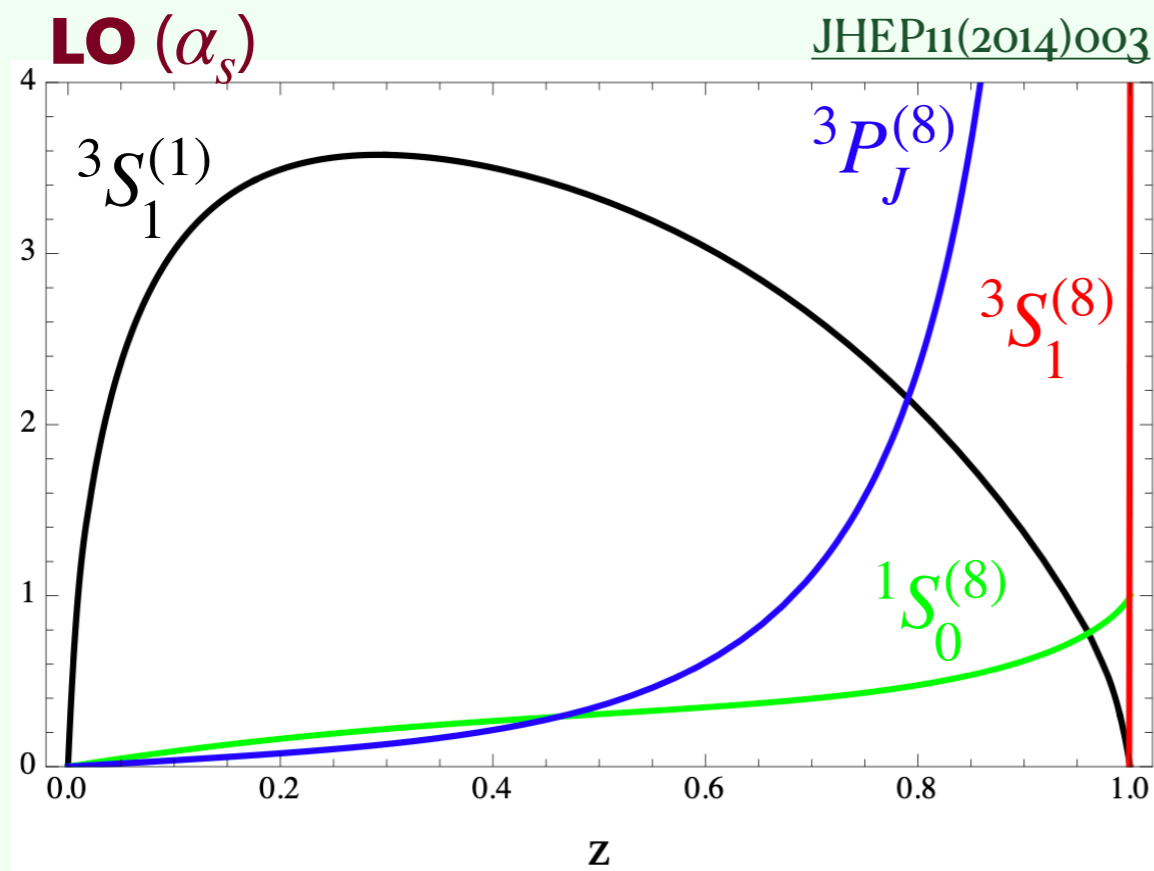
LDMEs from **NRQCD**

→ Thus, the FFs for quarkonium are *calculable* up to a set of **LDMEs**

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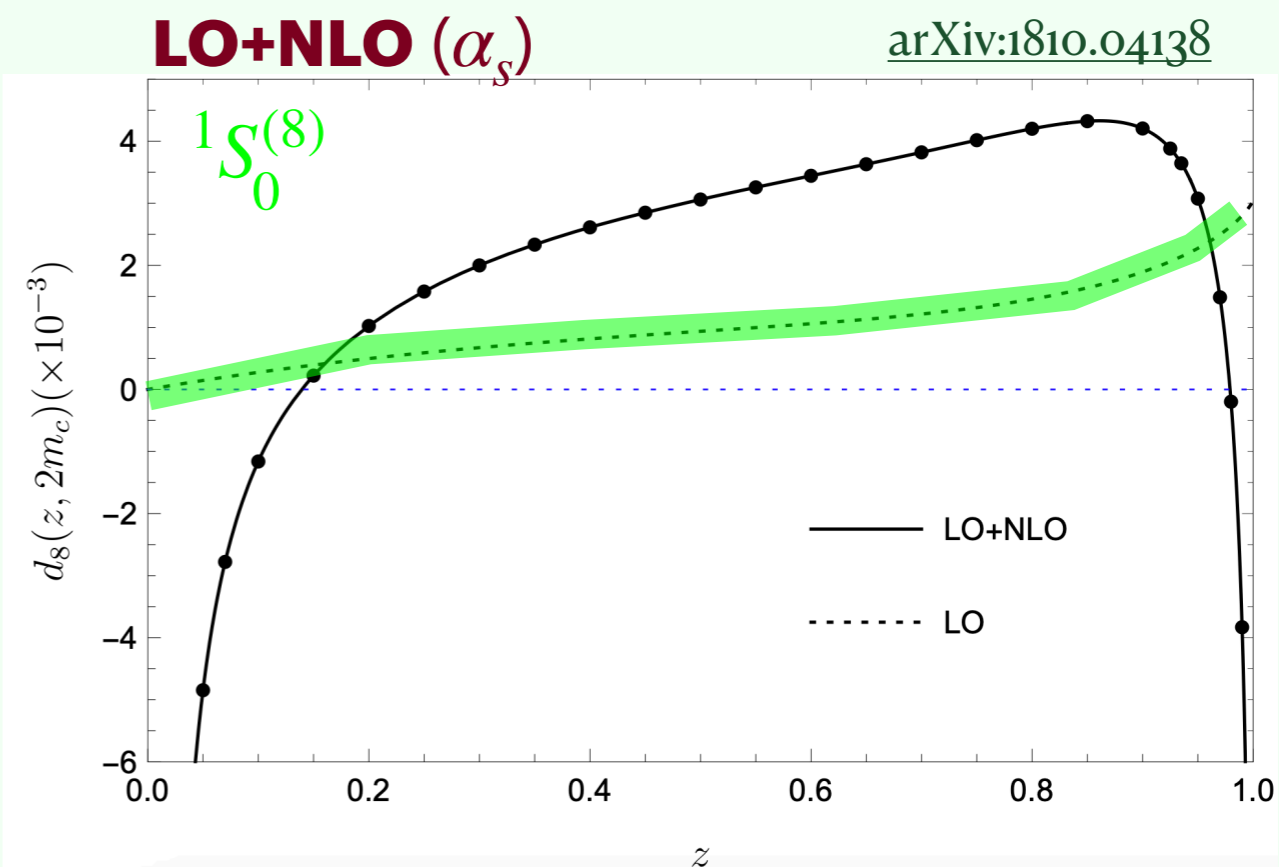
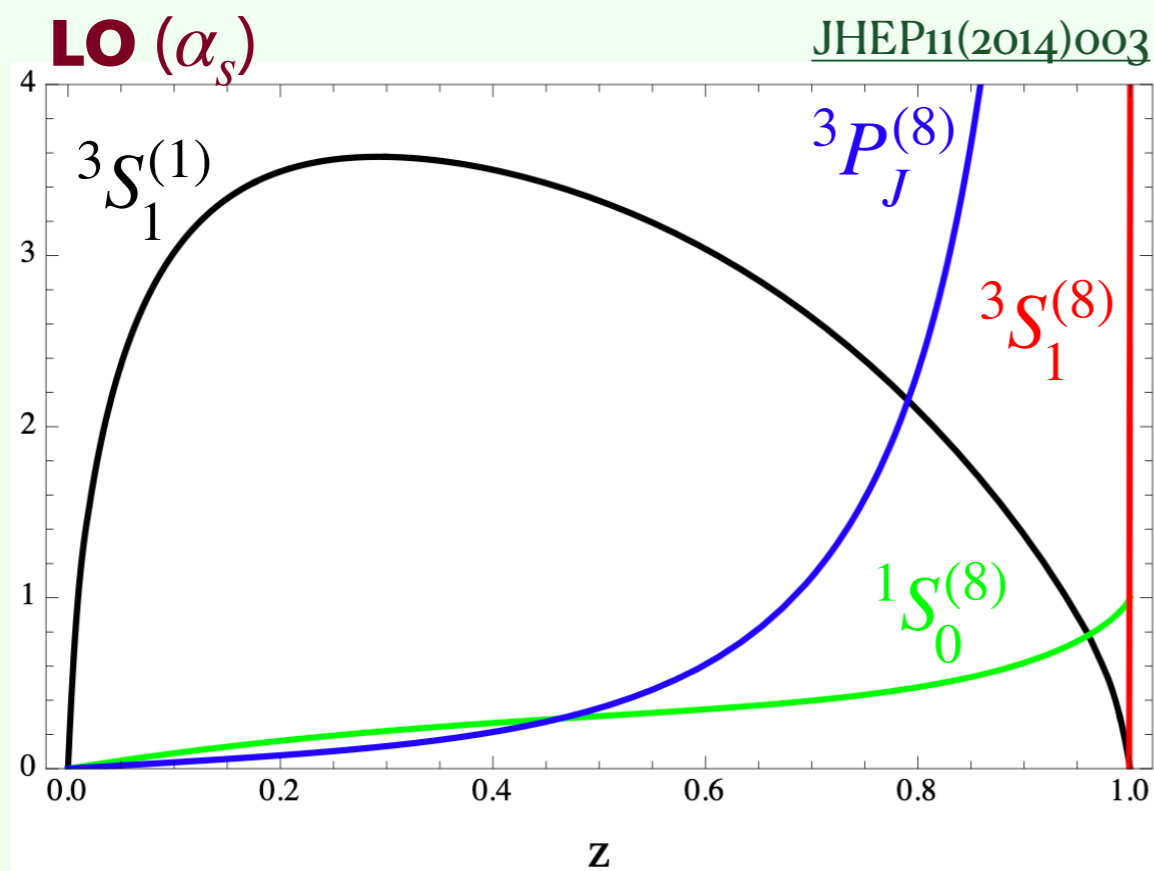
- Predictions based on **LO** calculations showed a high discrimination power among the various states

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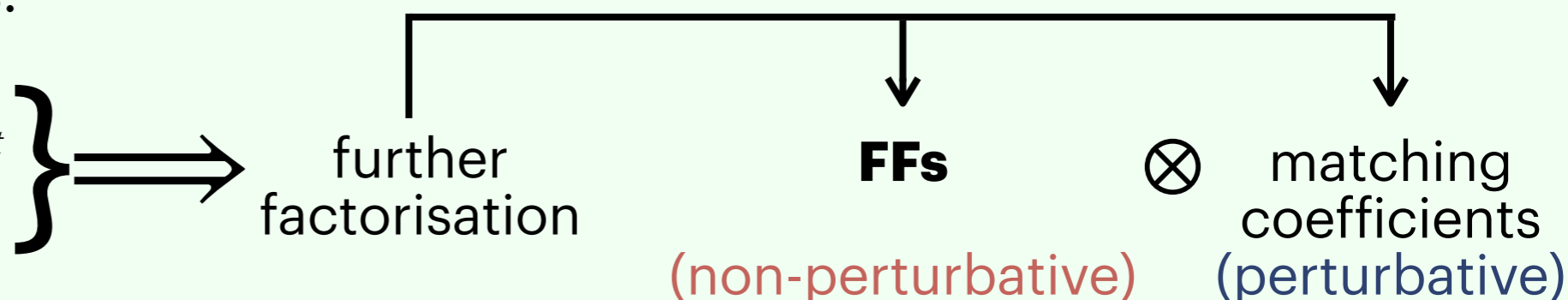


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- ▶ [JHEP11\(2014\)003](#) proposed an experimentally accessible observable.
- ▶ Considering that the $c\bar{c}$ pair is not produced directly in the hard scattering but is produced within high- p_T jet,
 - ⇒ the cross section be factorised into:
 - Hard and soft functions describing the production of the $c\bar{c}[n]$ (+ other jets)
 - Fragmenting Jet Function (FJF)** describing the **non-perturbative** fragmentation of the $c\bar{c}[n]$ into the J/ψ
- ▶ **FJF** contains two scales:

- * Energy of the jet E_{jet}
- * Hadron mass



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- **Energy dependence of gluon FJs** at three fixed z values

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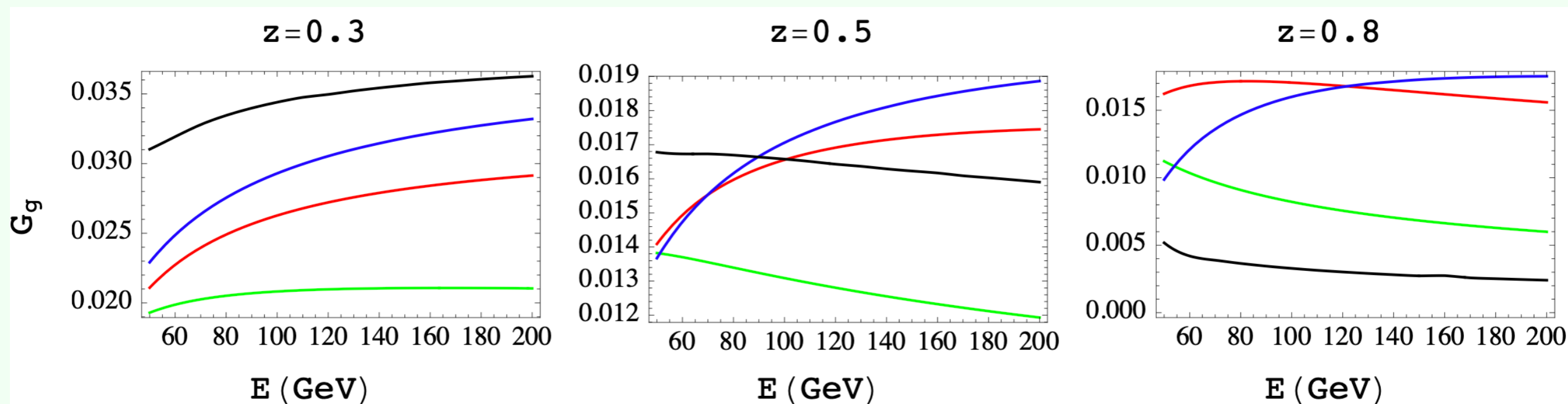
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- ${}^3S_1^{(1)}$ and ${}^1S_0^{(8)}$ decreasing with E_{jet}
 - ${}^3S_1^{(8)}$ and ${}^3P_J^{(8)}$ increasing with E_{jet}
 - Again, these distributions are evaluated from **LO FFs**, so the differences might be washed away with **NLO FFs**
- } \implies discrimination power

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- ▶ A wide variety of measurements involving quarkonia exist since these states are powerful tools to:
 - Probe the gluon content of protons and heavy nuclei
 - Study initial stages of ultra-relativistic heavy-ion collisions
 - Investigate multiple-parton interactions (MPIs)
- ▶ As in this talk we will discuss J/ψ isolation, we will center only on related experimental measurements, which consist of a set of **measurements of J/ψ in jets**

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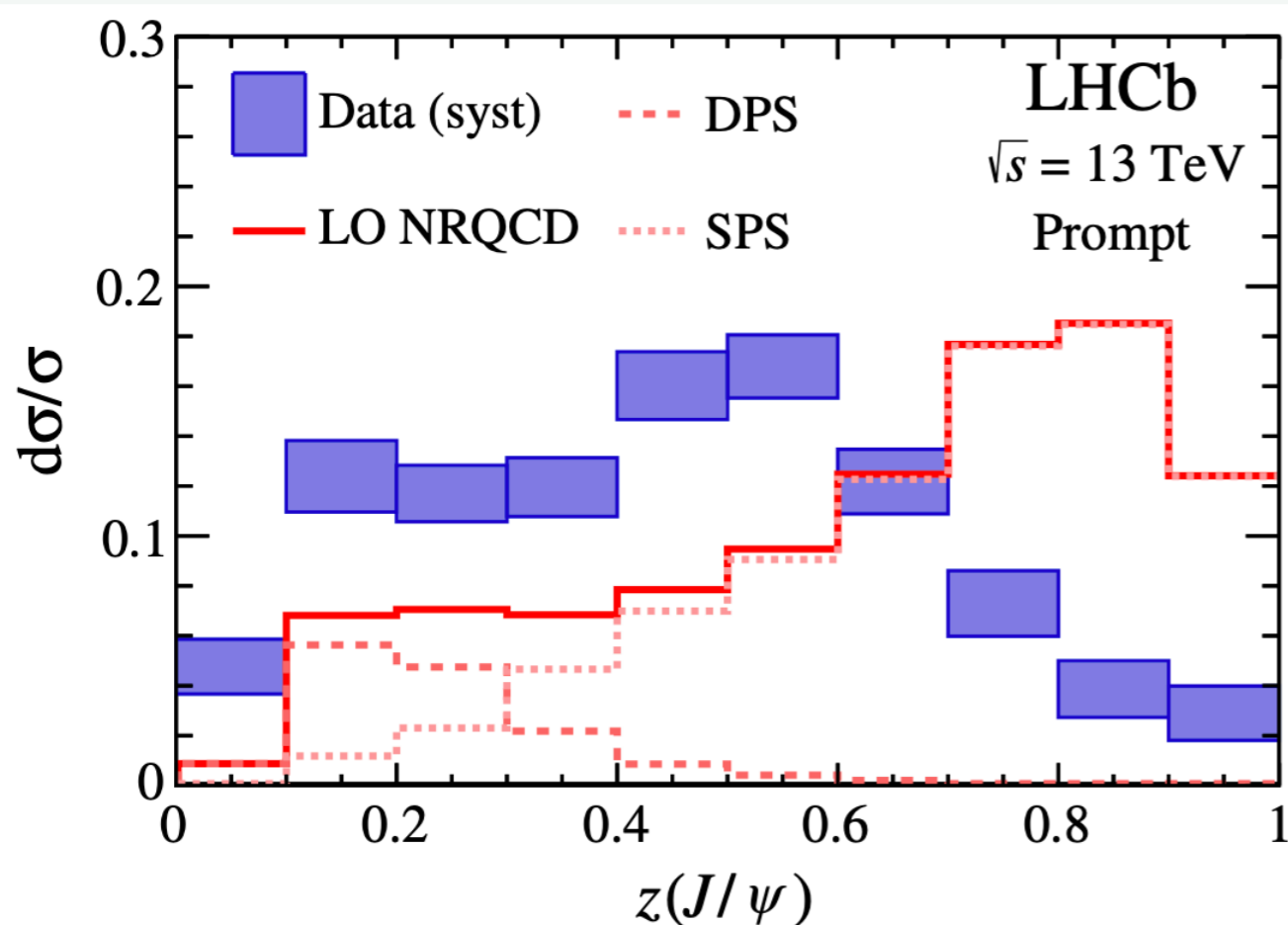
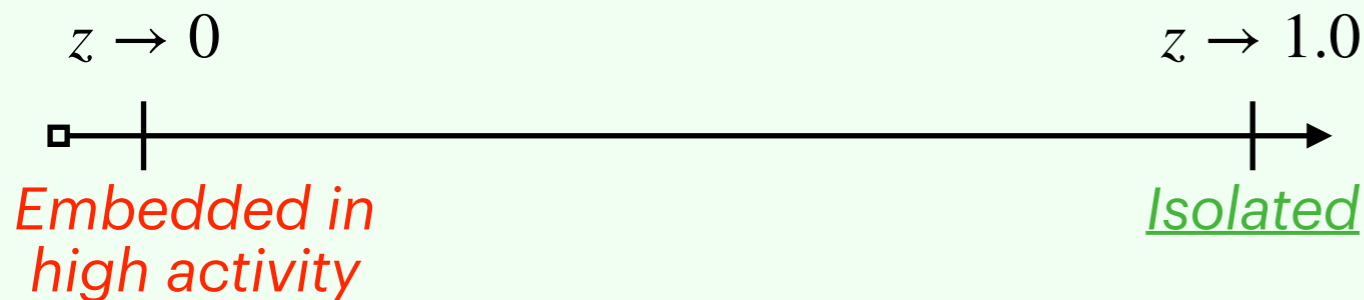
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PoS (HardProbes2020), vol 387, 072 Unpublished	STAR pp 500 GeV	R = 0.2 / 0.4 / 0.6, anti-kt pt > 10 GeV eta < 1 - R	J/ψ : pt > 5 GeV; eta < 1

There are ongoing LHCb and ALICE measurements

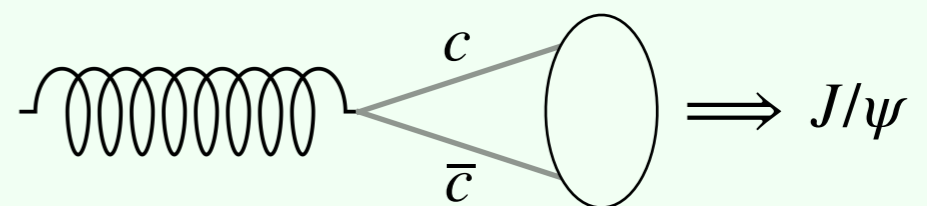
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Observable: $z = \frac{p_T(J/\psi)}{p_T(jet)}$ distribution



- ▶ System: proton-proton collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV
- ▶ Jets with $p_T(jet) > 20$ GeV
- ▶ Results for prompt- J/ψ show a softer trend than Pythia8 predictions (LO NRQCD), which underestimate the activity around the J/ψ



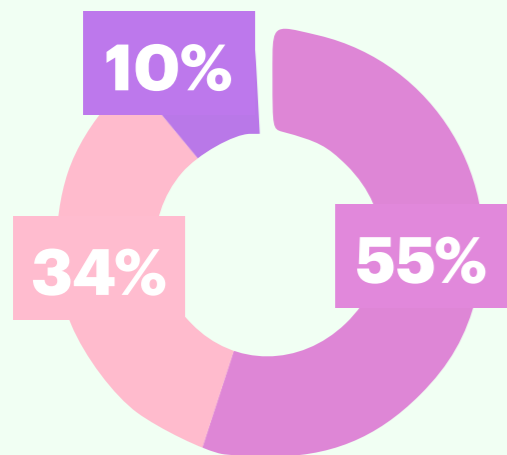
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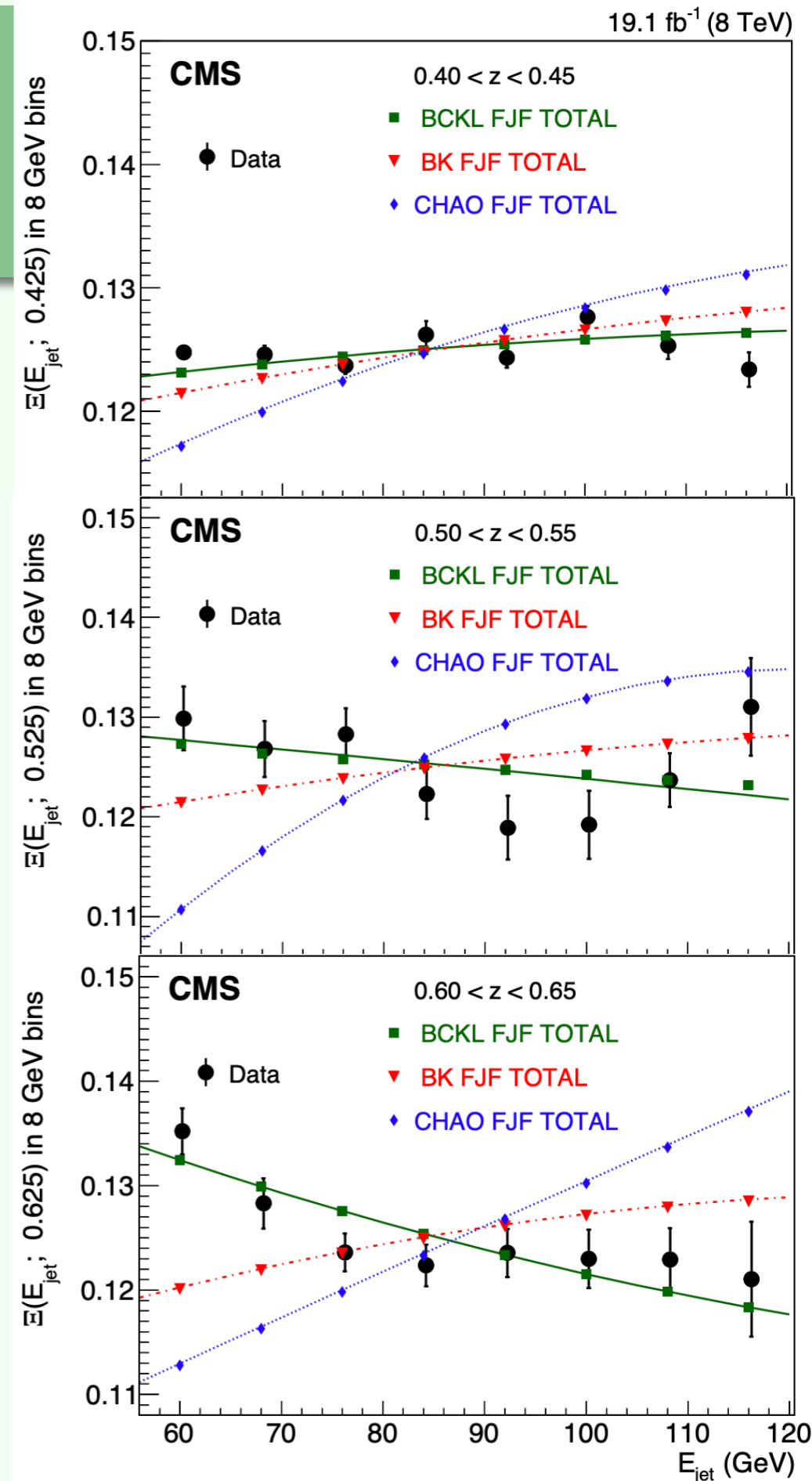
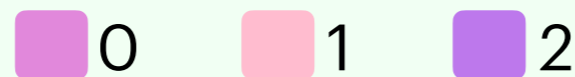
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Observable: self-normalized E_{jet} – dependence in three z intervals

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- ▶ Jets with $p_T(jet) > 25$ GeV
- ▶ Only FJF predictions using the **BCKL** ([Phys. Rev. Lett. 113, 022001](#)) LDME set, based on $p_T(J/\psi) > 10$ GeV data, matches data in the three z intervals



Number of *observed* jets in events with prompt J/ψ ($p_T > 10$ GeV, $|\eta| < 2$)



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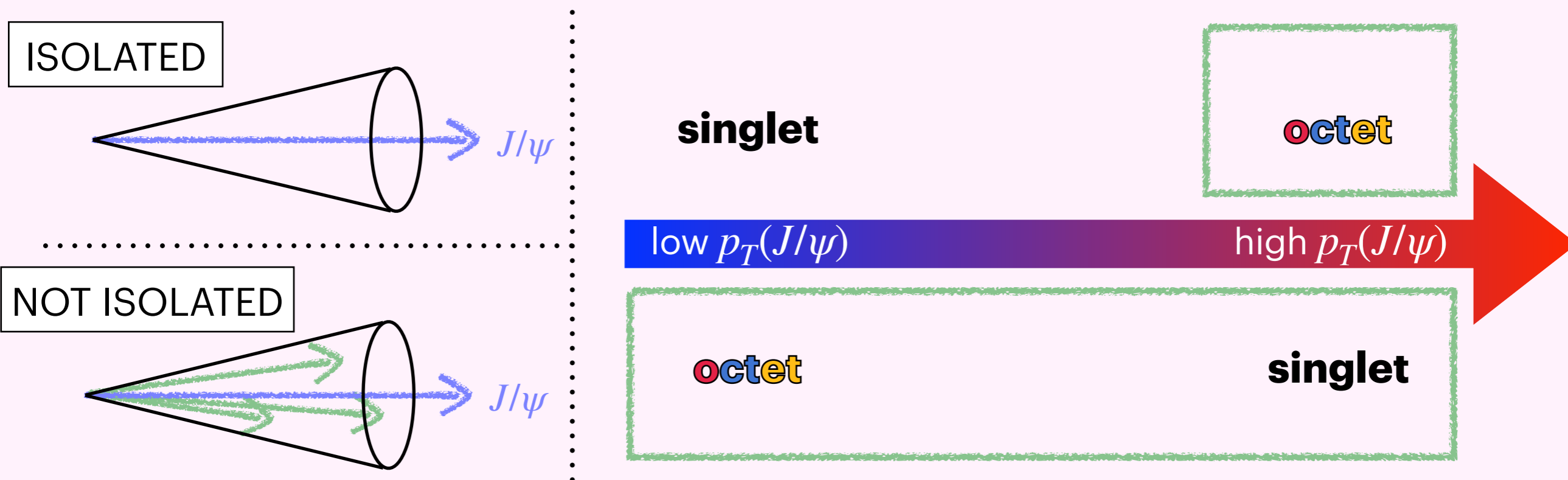
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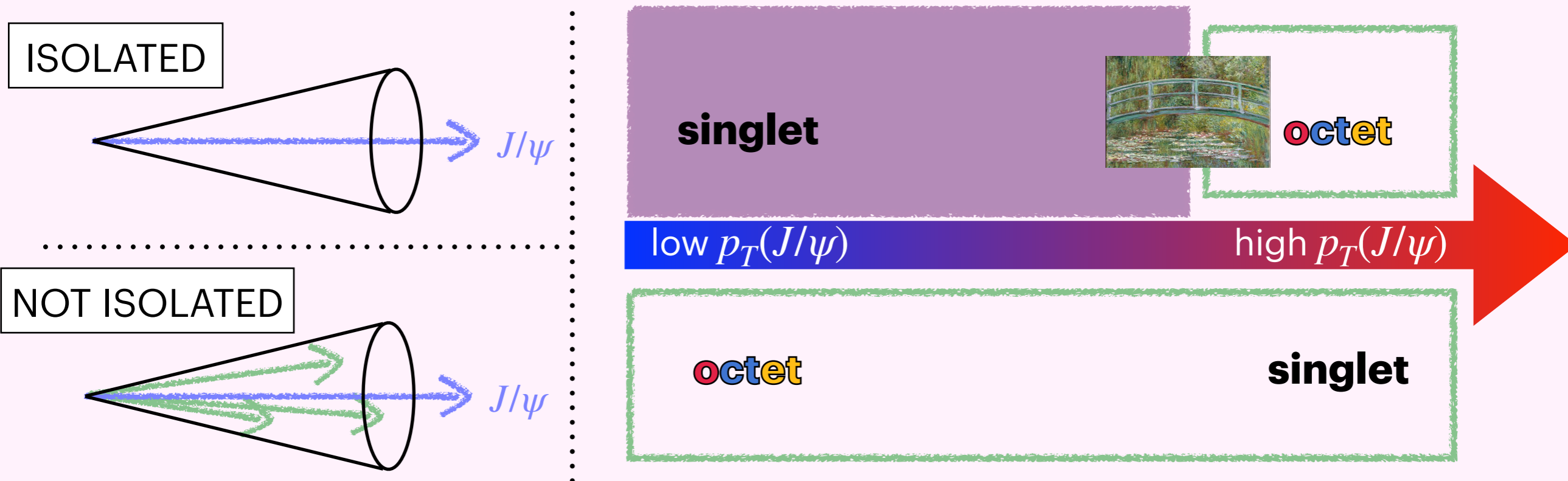
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- ▶ **But that's not all!** We plan to...
 - ▶ Provide the cross section for isolated J/ψ in bins of $p_T(J/\psi)$
 - ▶ Study how the results differ depending on the size of the considered region around the J/ψ

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- ▶ What **complementary information** could be useful?
 - i) Isolation measurements of other quarkonium states
 - ii) Isolation measurements in other LHC experiments at higher p_T , where the theoretical interpretation of the results is easier
 - iii) Would it be interesting to perform this kind of measurements at EIC?

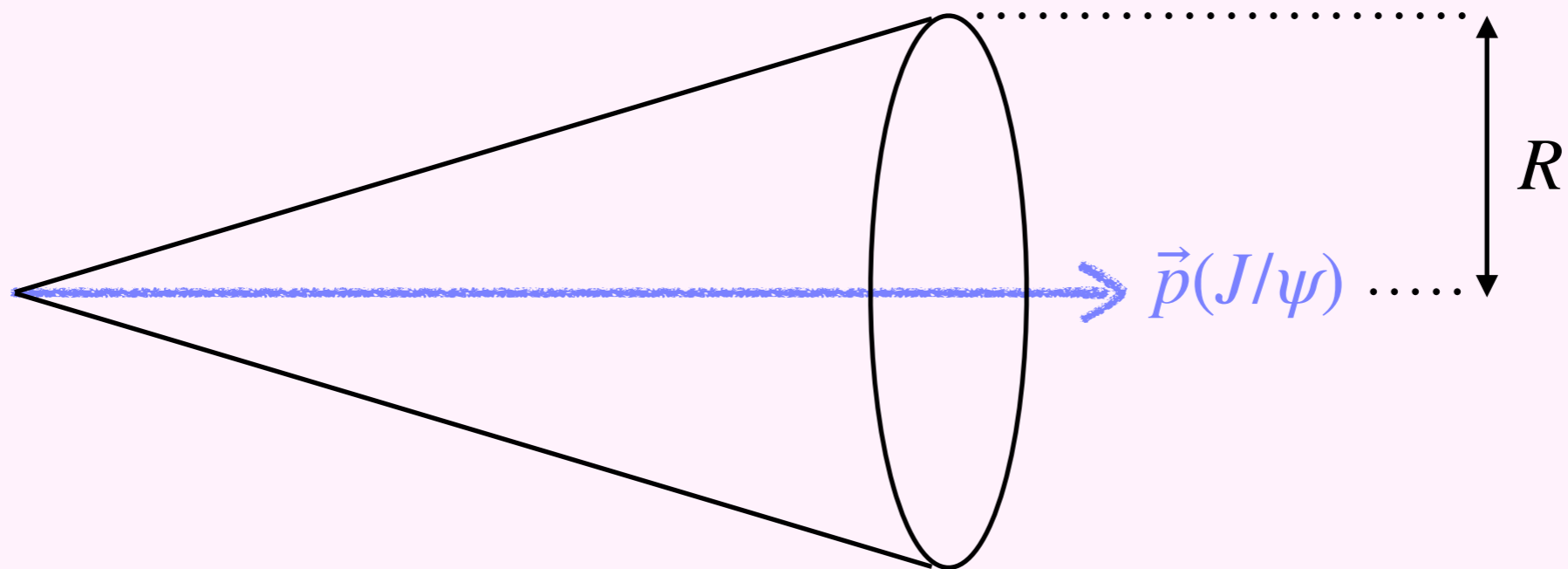
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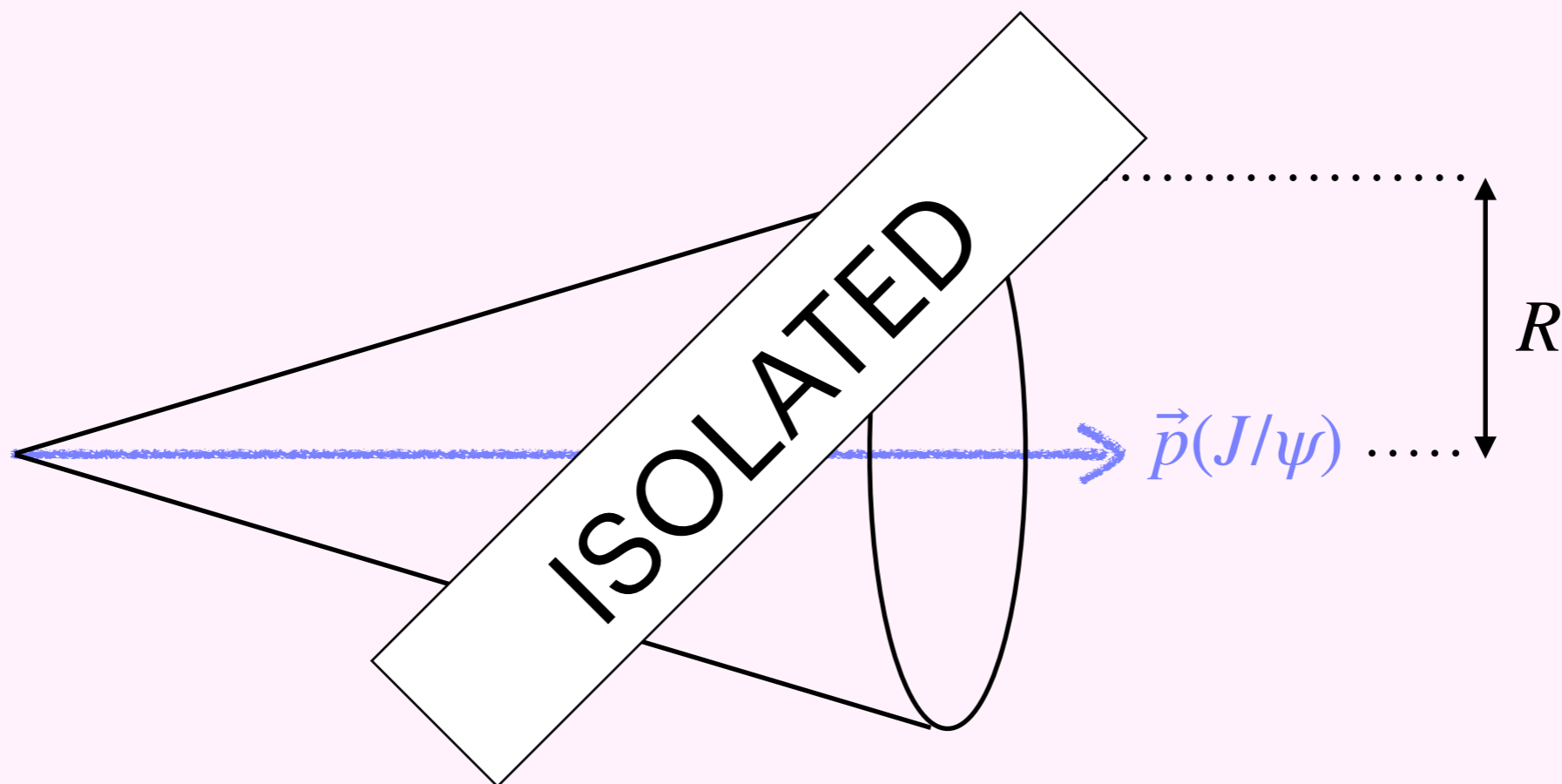
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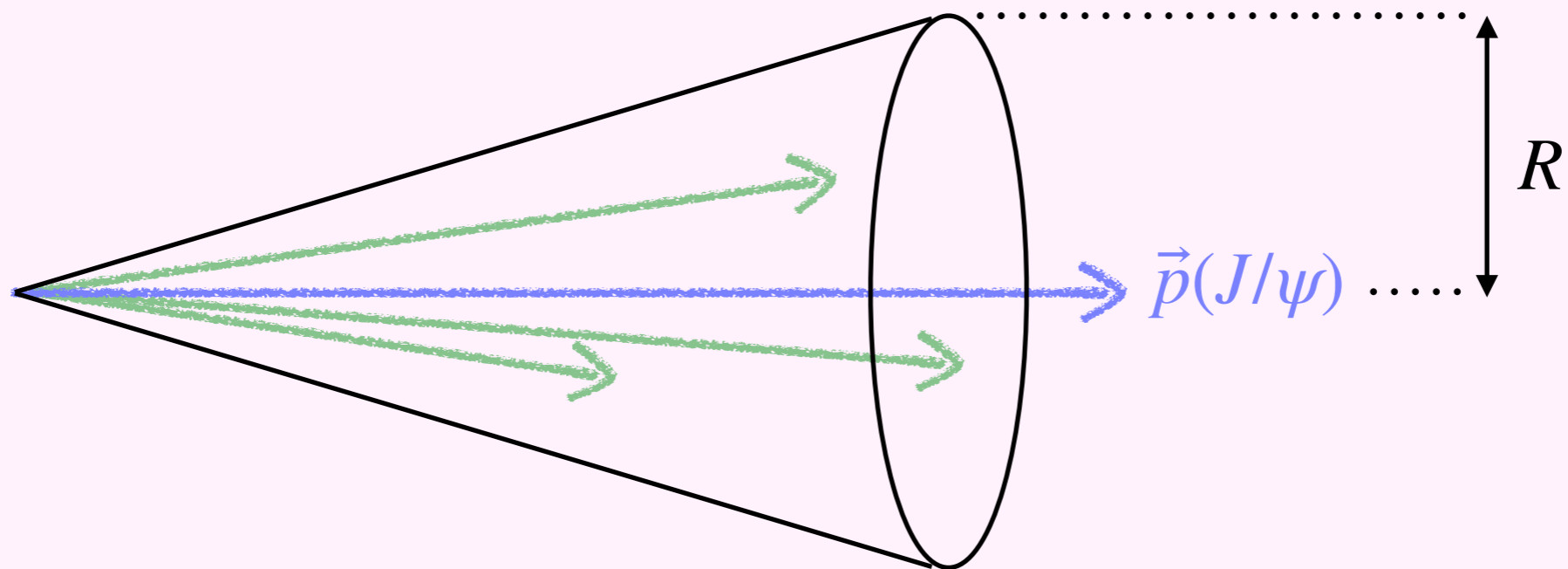
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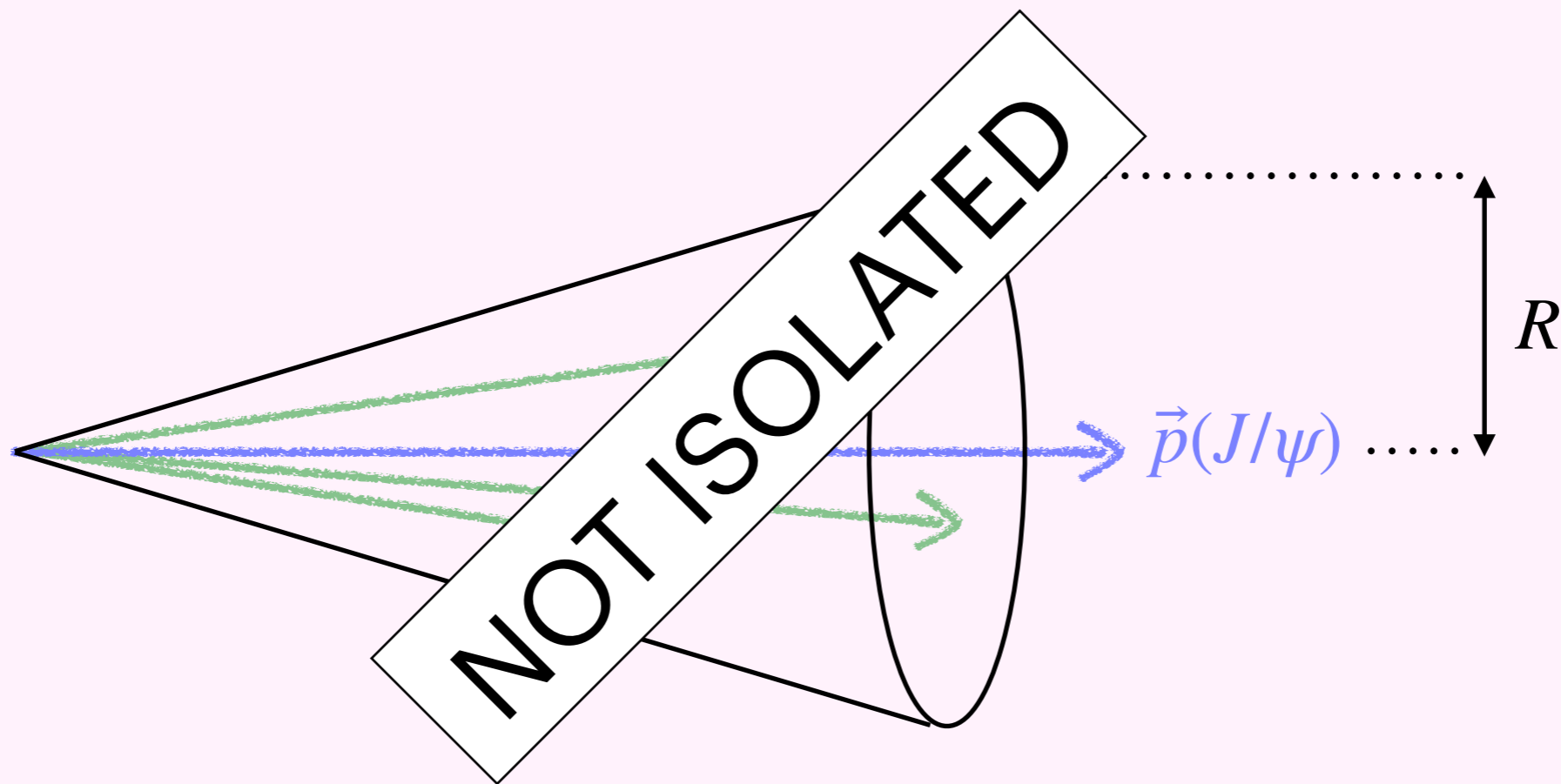
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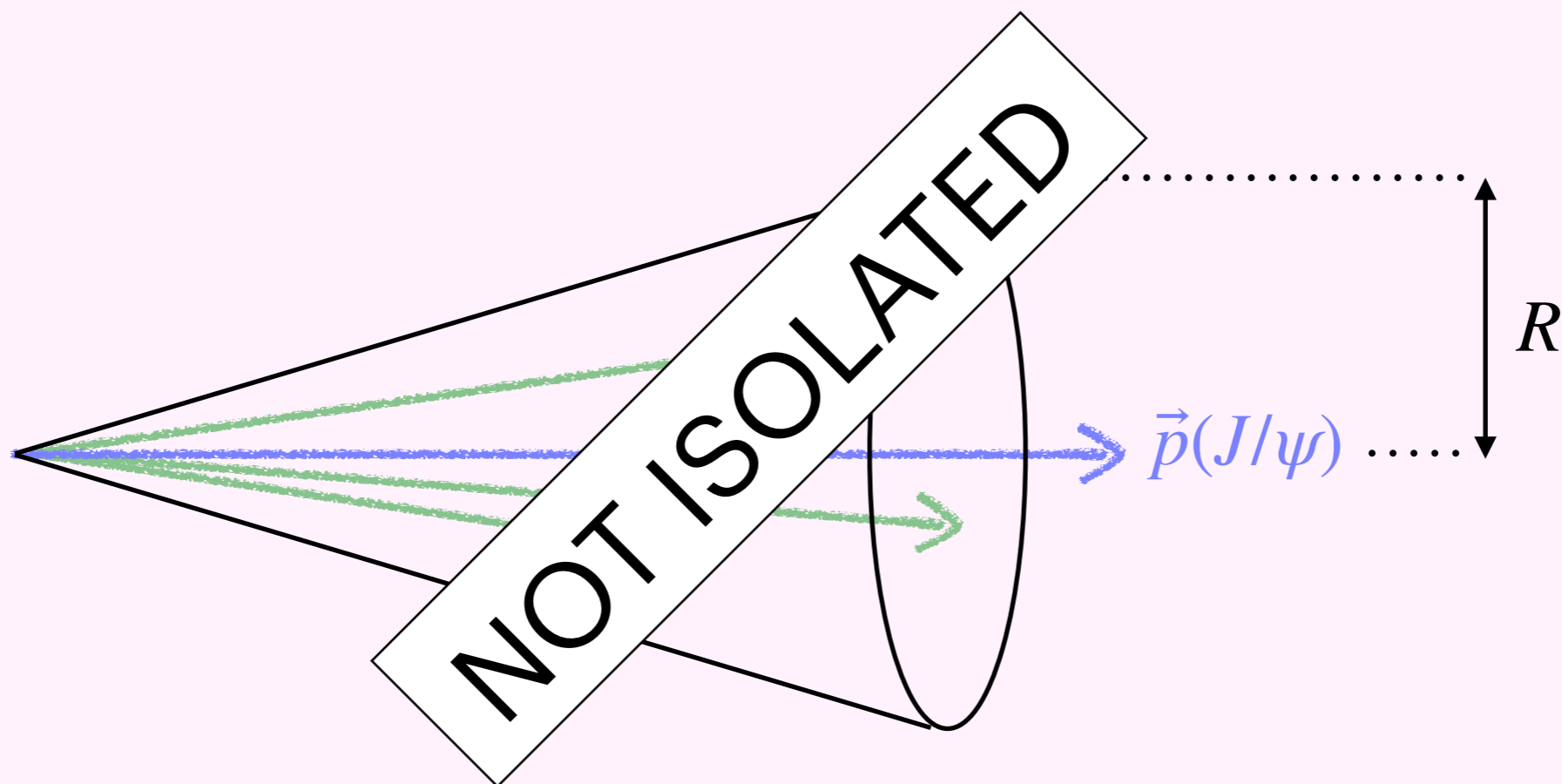
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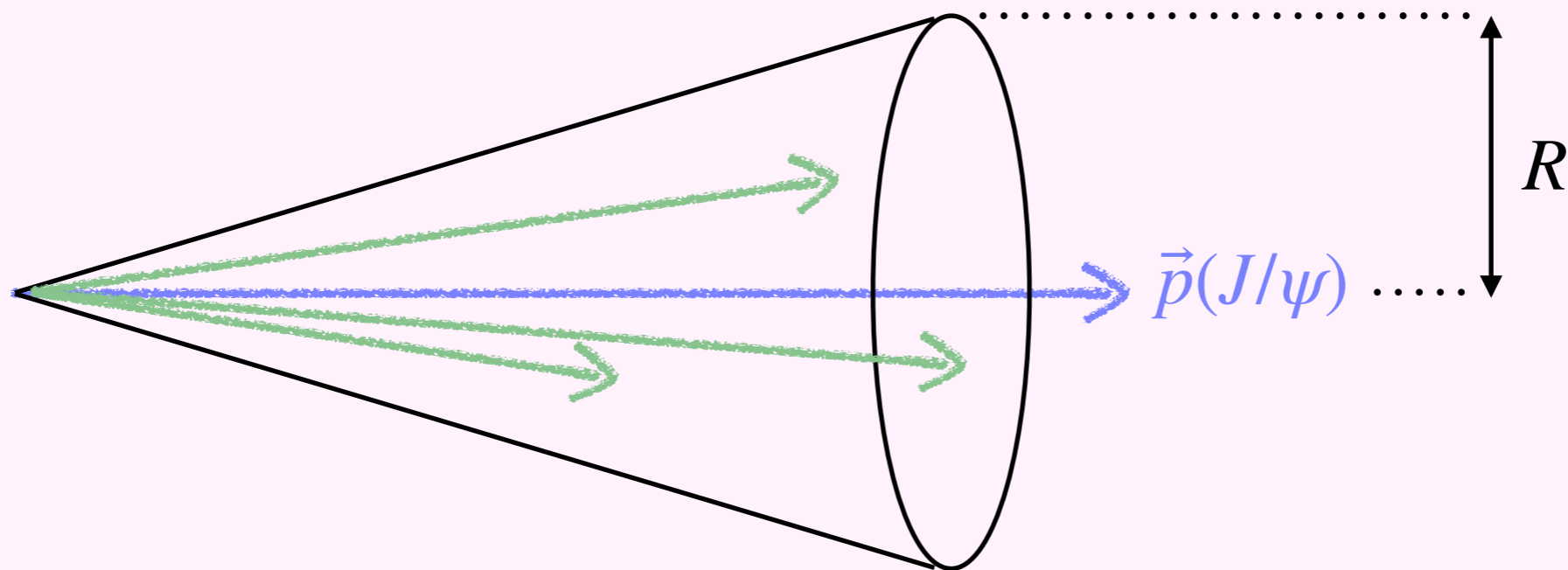
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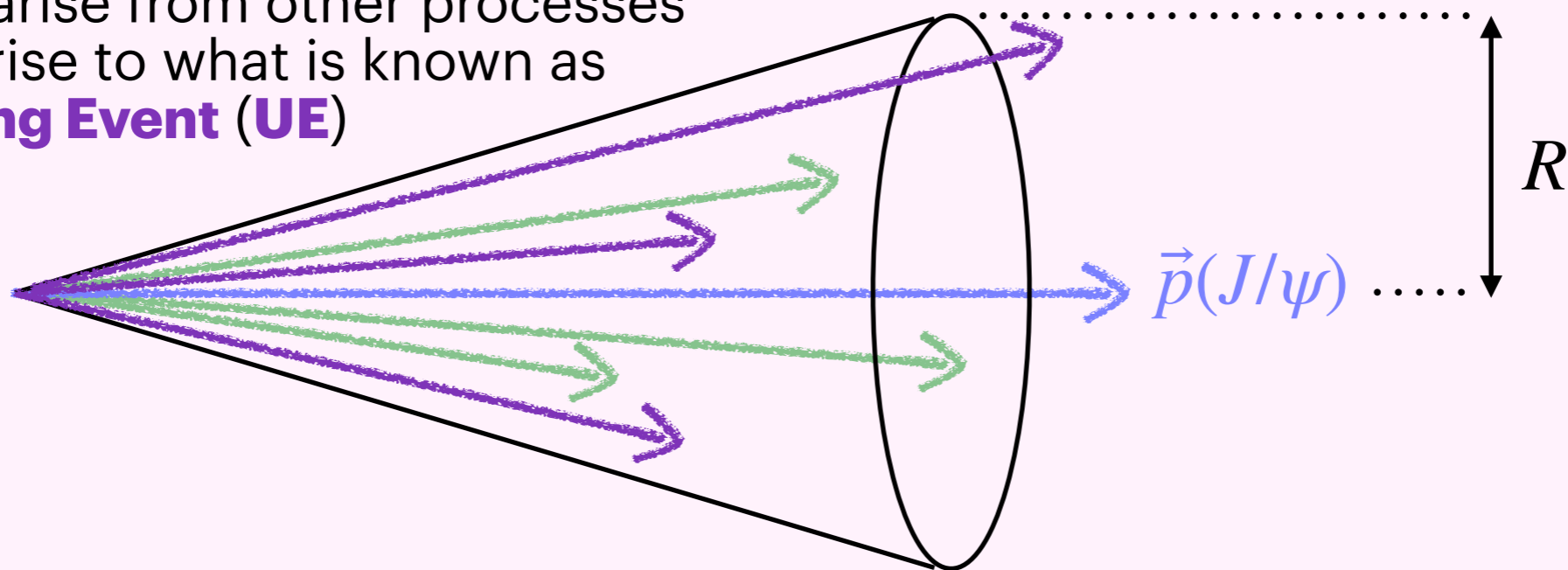


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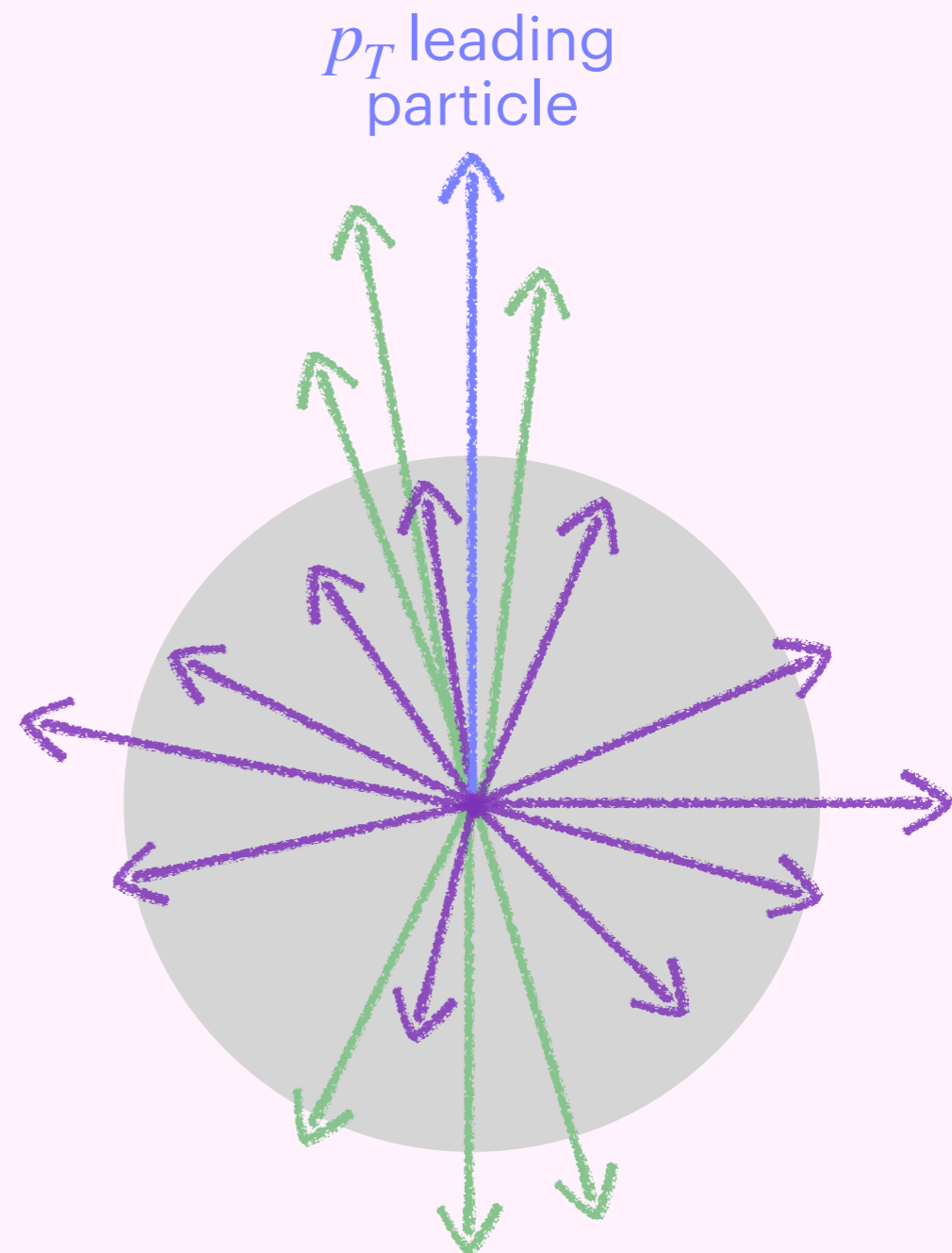


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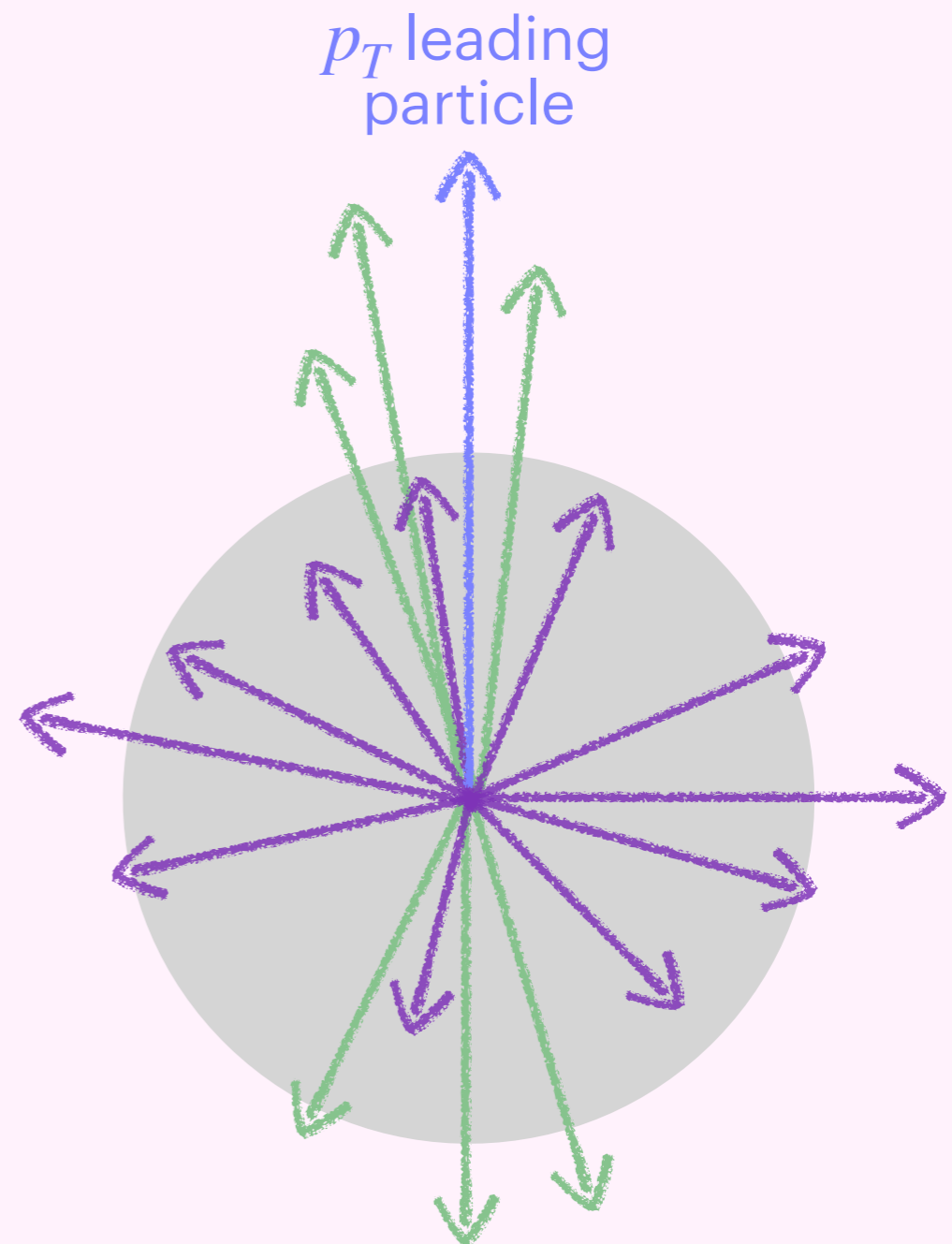


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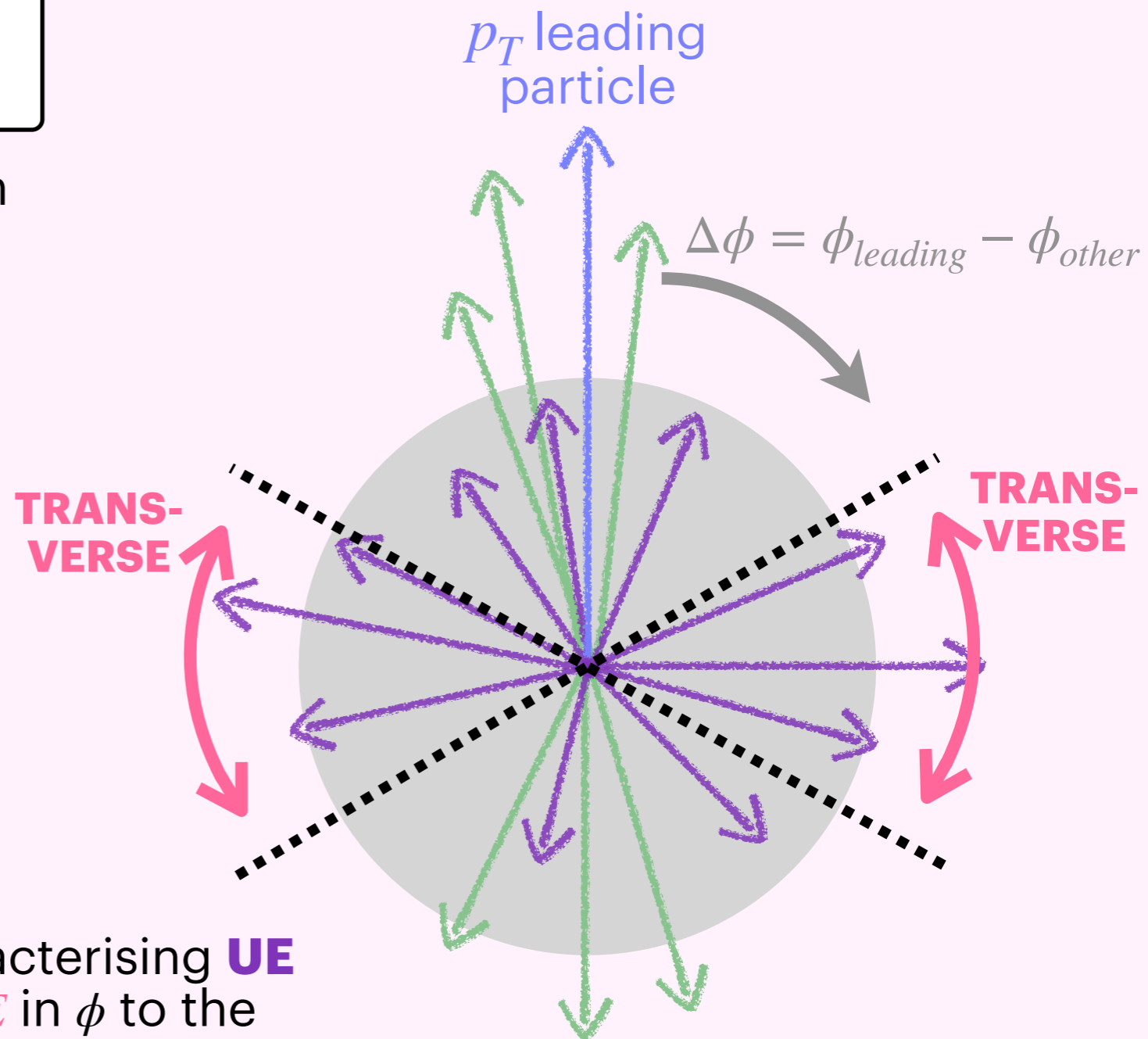
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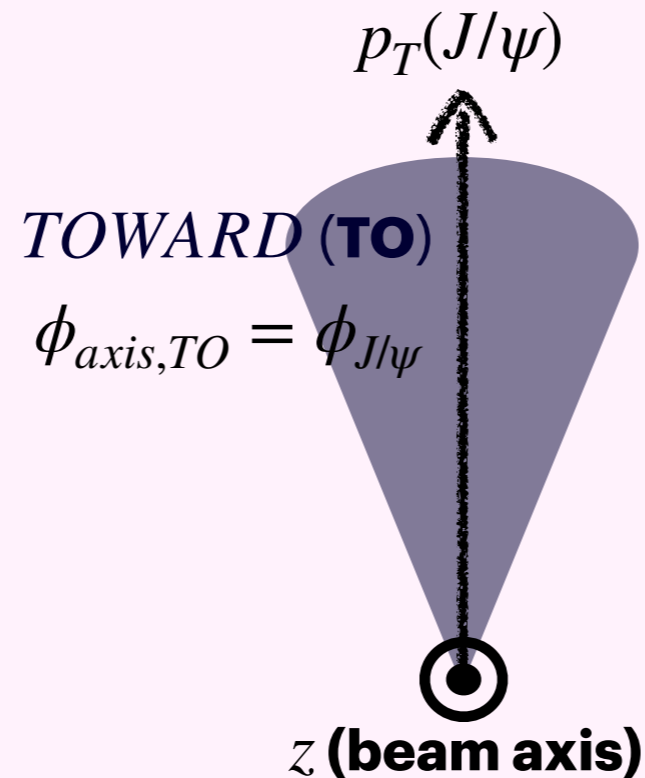

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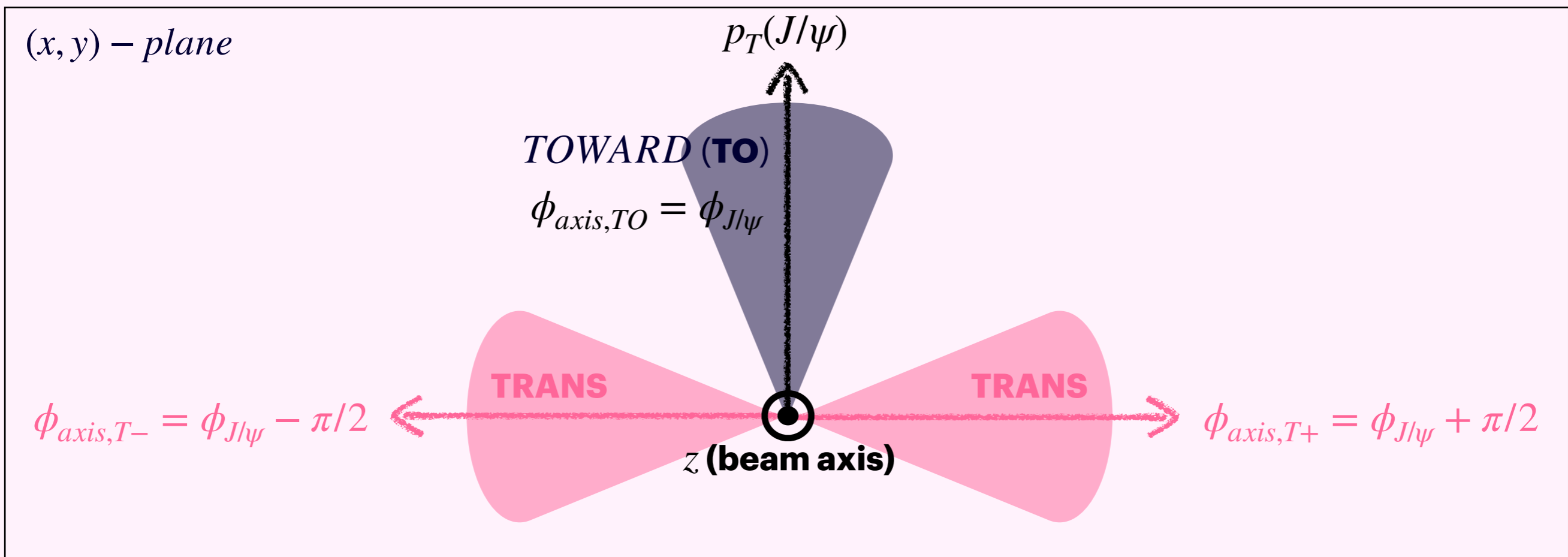
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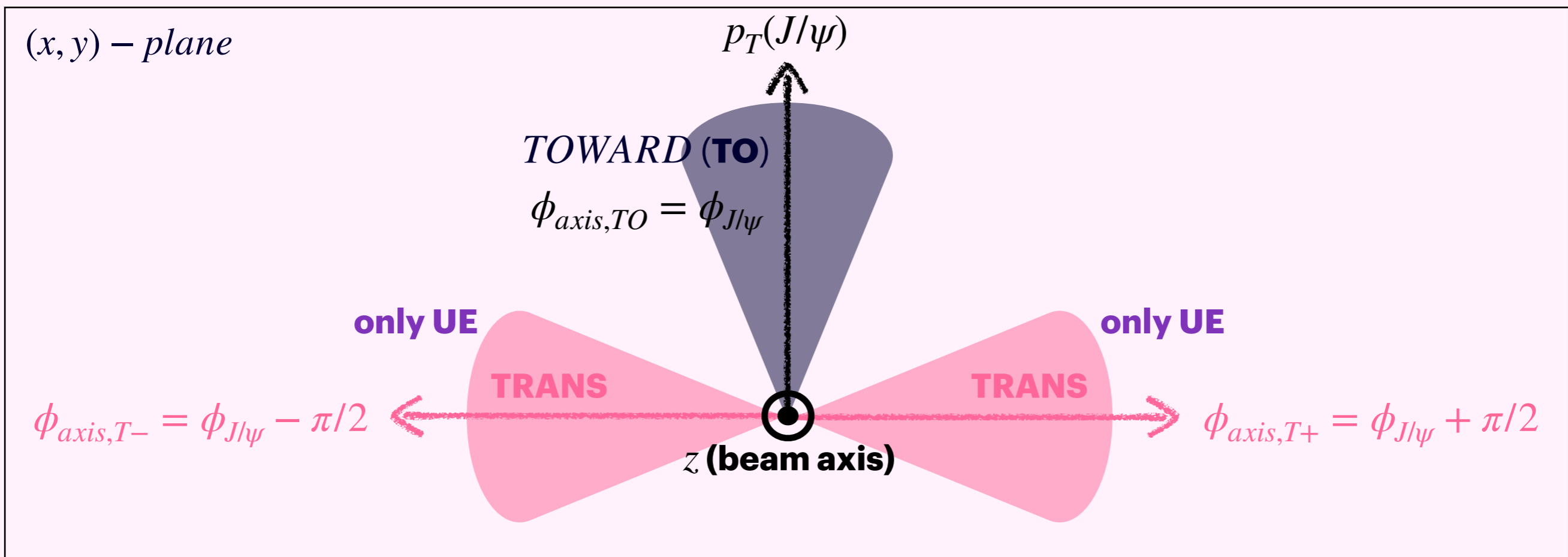
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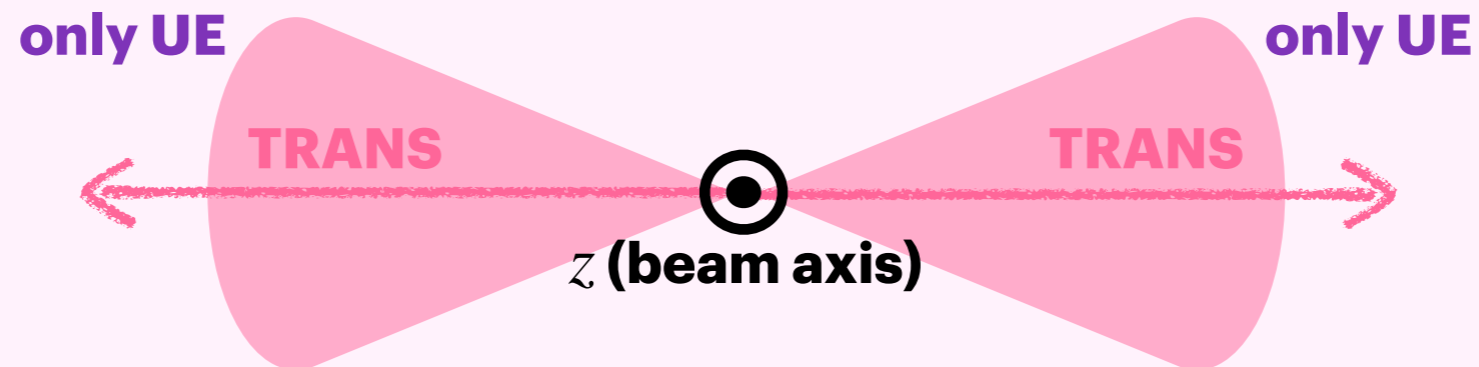
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- Estimate the **UE** contribution to **sPT(TO)** as

$\langle \mathbf{sPT}(\mathbf{TRANS}) \rangle =$ average of **sPT** over the two **TRANS** cones, determined individually for every event



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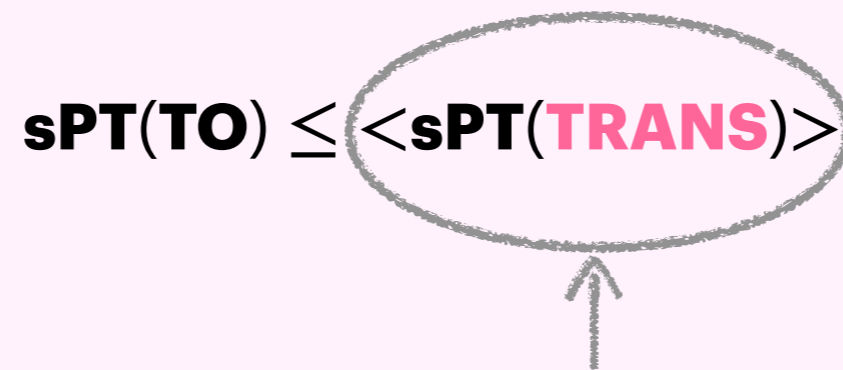
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- Define isolated J/ψ as those which fulfil

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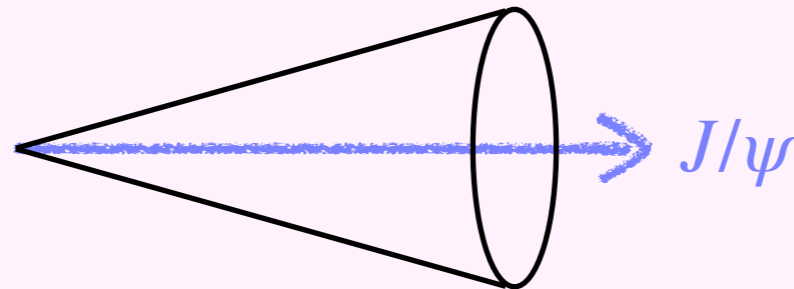
Our estimator for **UE** contribution to the **TO** cone

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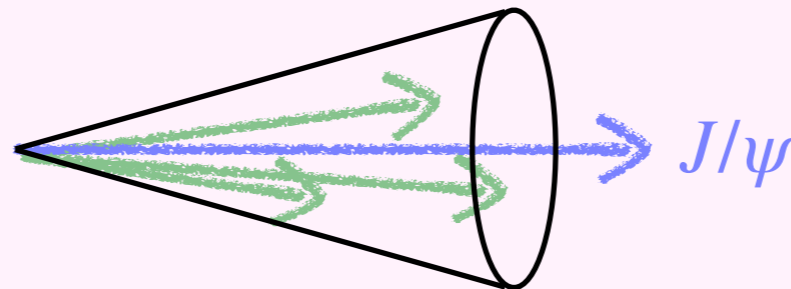
4.2 - Studies made on MC

4 - Challenges and our strategy for J/ψ isolation

- ▶ Even though Monte Carlo (MC) models for **UE** don't completely reproduce data, we can use MC to test the proposed strategy
- ▶ Also, for our study case, having a MC sample where we can distinguish if the J/ψ was produced by the hadronisation of a **singlet** or **octet** state is very interesting:
 - a) Produced via **singlet** $\implies c\bar{c}$ doesn't radiate $\implies J/\psi$ is produced in isolation

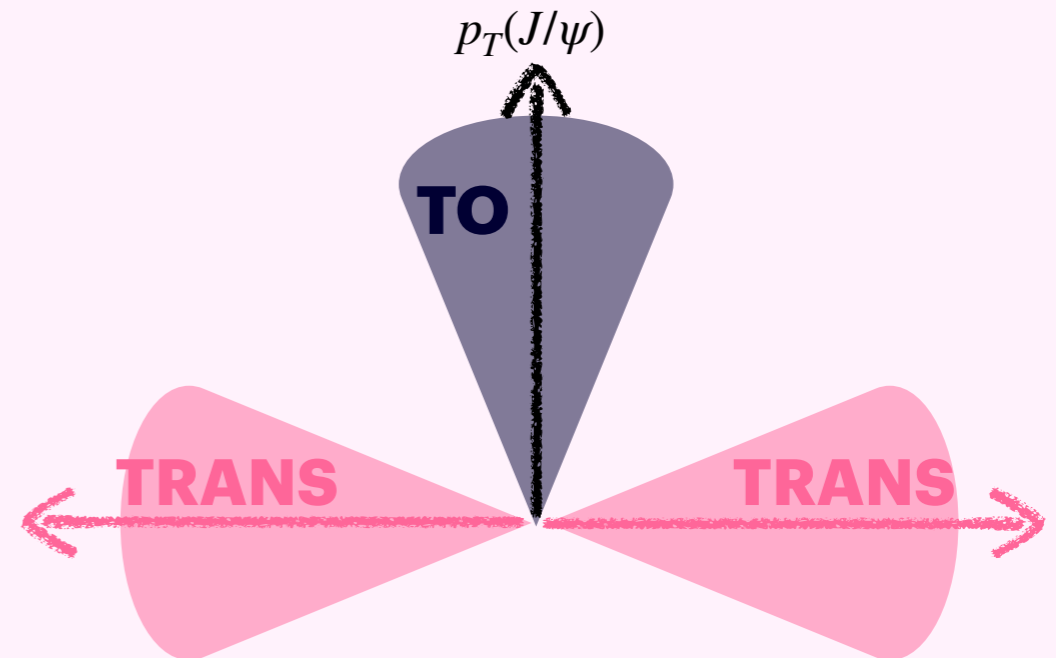


- b) Produced via **octet** $\implies c\bar{c}$ needs to radiate a number of soft gluons to neutralise its color \implies a shower can evolve $\implies J/\psi$ embedded in hadronic activity



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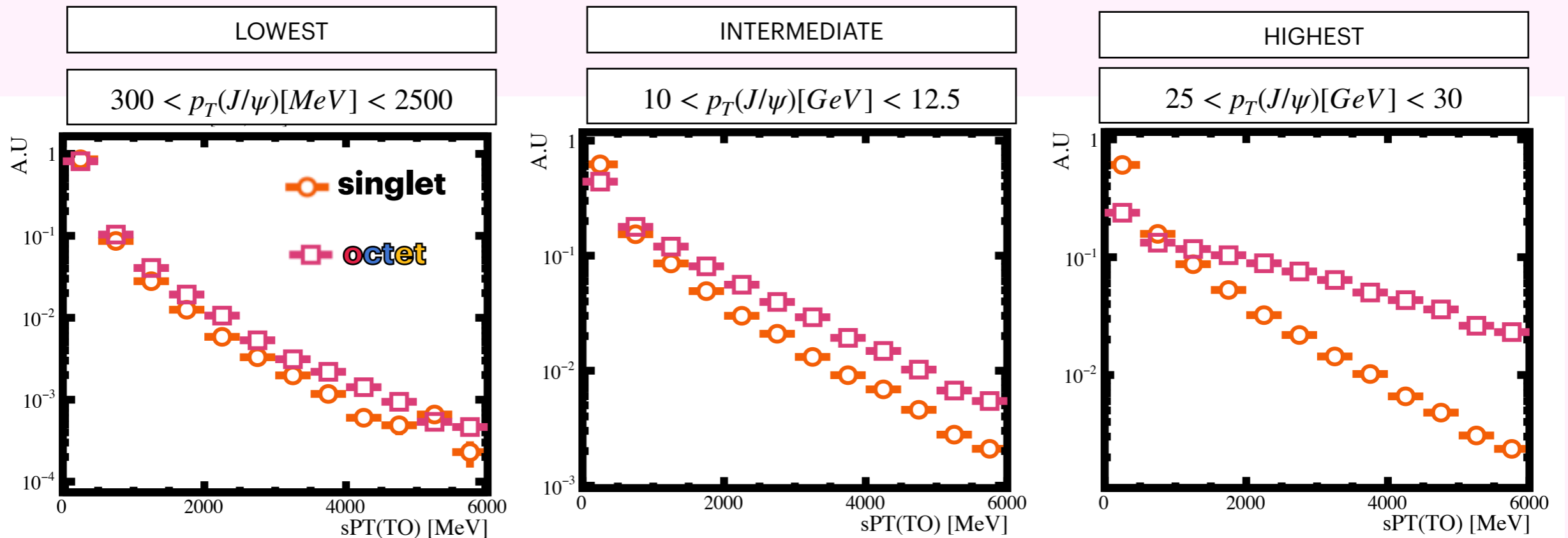
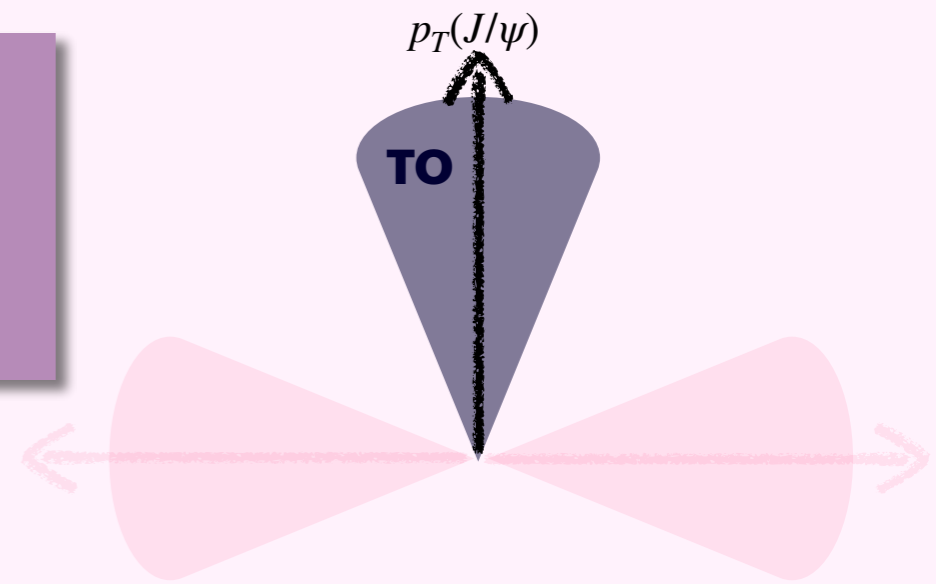
- ▶ We have produced MC samples using HELAC-Onia + Pythia8 with the J/ψ being produced via **singlet** and **octet**
- ▶ And we have constructed the 3 cones presented in the strategy
- ▶ Particles considered inside the cones
 - Charged final-state particles
 - $p_T > 200$ MeV
 - $p > 2$ GeV
 - $2 < \eta < 5$
- ▶ **We will be showing plots at generator-level (no detector or reconstruction effects)**
- ▶ More details on how the simulation was produced in the backup and [here](#)



4 - Challenges and our strategy for J/ψ isolation

- **sPT(TO)** in three $p_T(J/\psi)$ bins

$$\text{sPT} = \sum |\vec{p}_T|$$

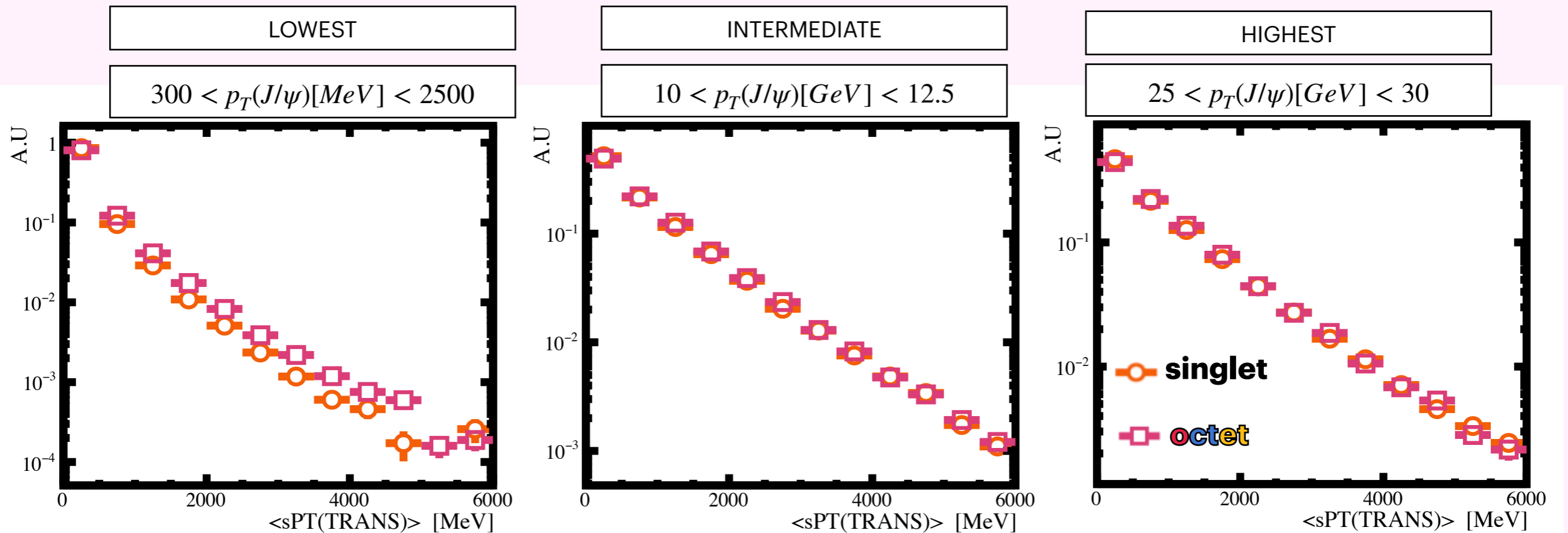
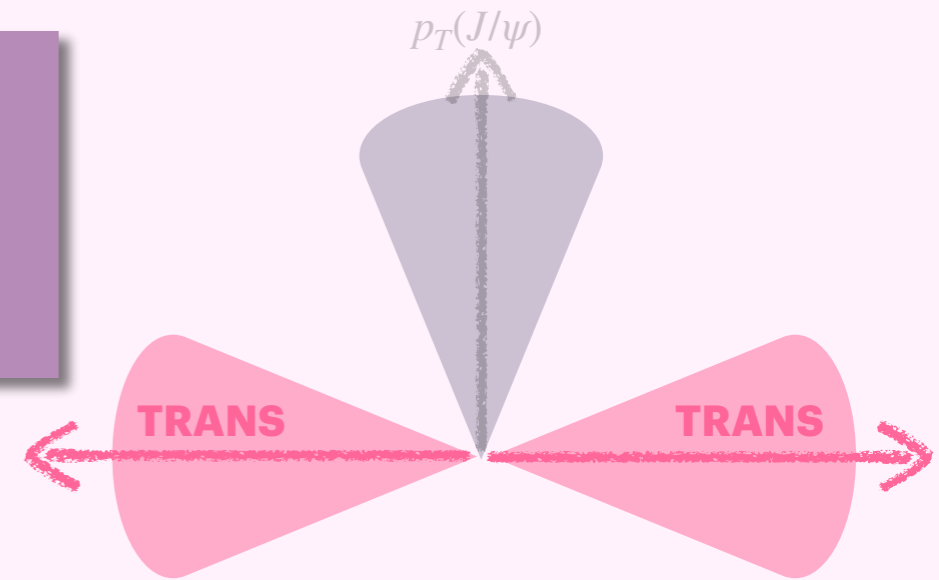


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► $\langle \text{sPT}(\text{TRANS}) \rangle$ in three $p_T(J/\psi)$ bins

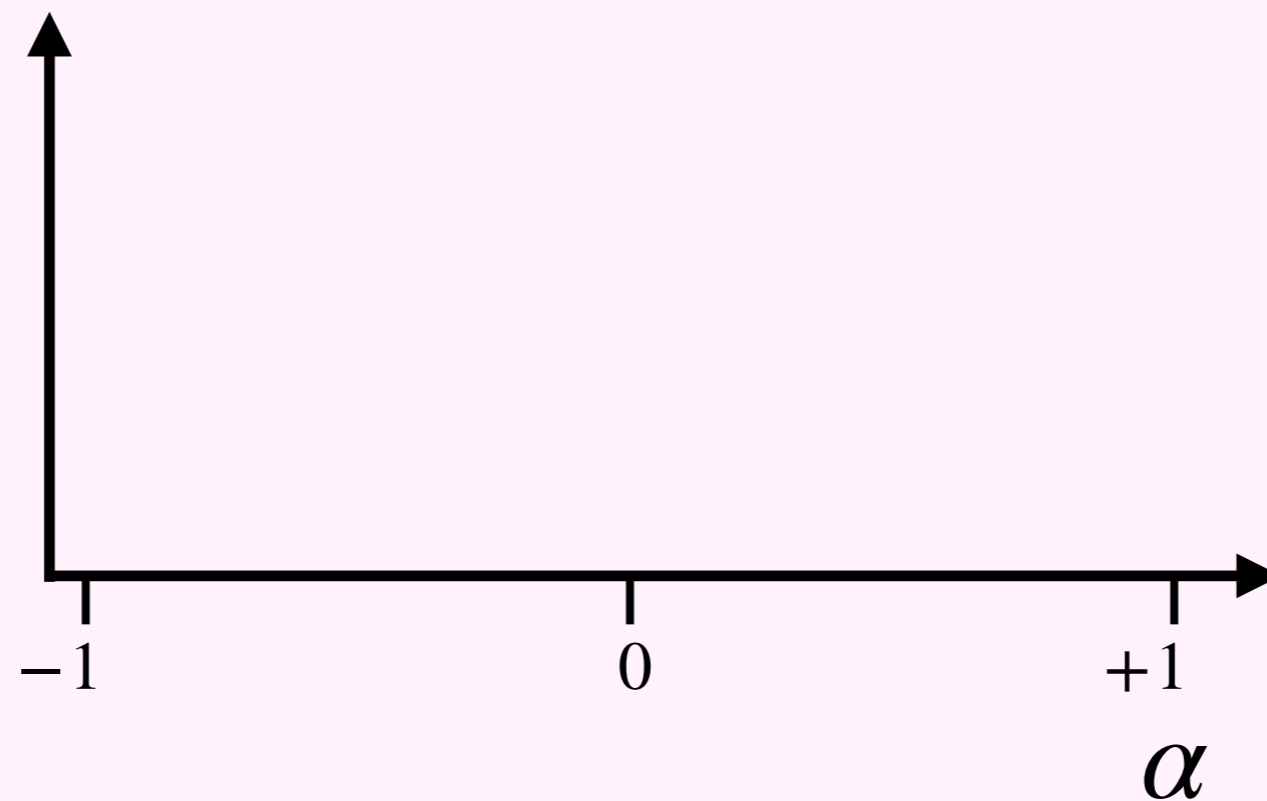
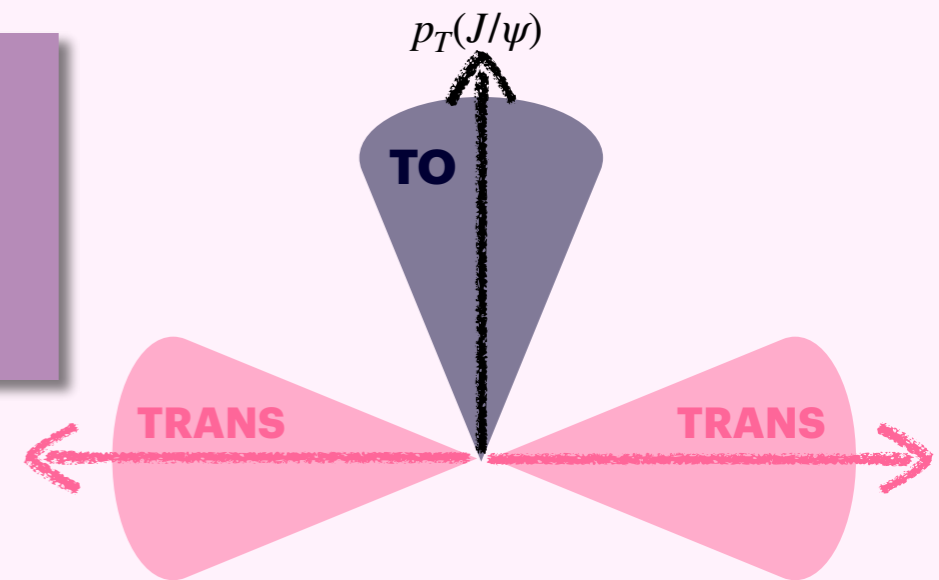
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👍 Small differences, which is what we expected if the **octet** radiation doesn't contaminate the **TRANS** cones

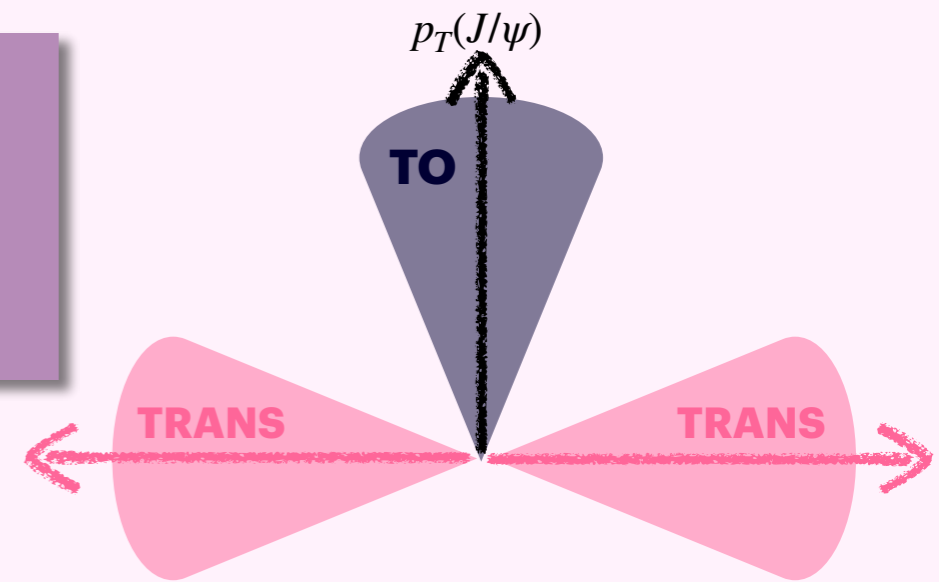
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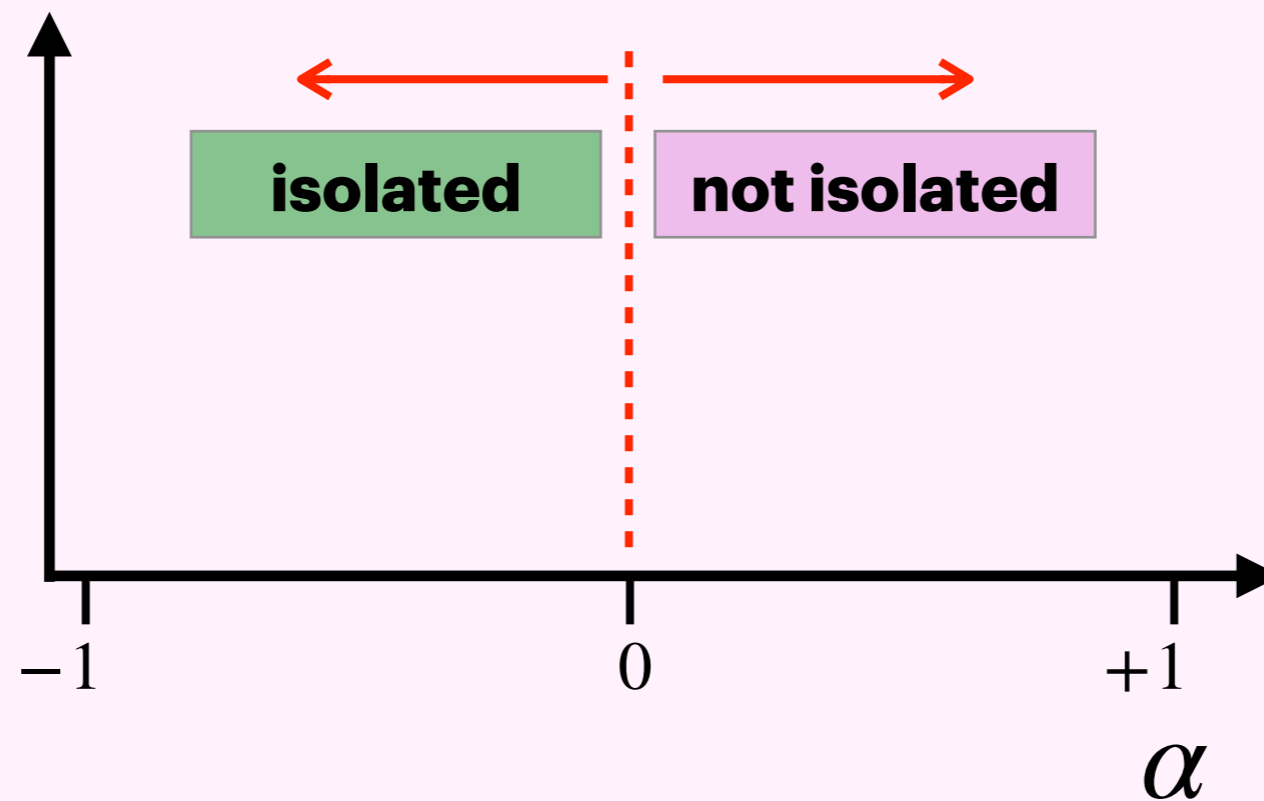


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Our isolation criterion: $\text{sPT}(\text{TO}) \leq \langle \text{sPT}(\text{TRANS}) \rangle$



5 - Conclusions

▶ Why isolated quarkonium?

- ▶ Provide additional information to help disentangle the importance of CS and CO contributions
- ▶ *Extend the use of quarkonia to TMDs in hadroproduction*

▶ What do we know from theory?

- ▶ A full calculation of NLO FFs is needed to *clarify* if the proposed observables are useful to disentangle the production mechanism

▶ What do we know from experiment?

- ▶ Measurements of J/ψ in **jets** with $z = p_T(J/\psi)/p_T(jet)$ provide, at $z = 1$, information on isolated J/ψ at high $p_T(J/\psi)$

▶ What our measurement provides?

- ▶ Extend our knowledge to lower $p_T(J/\psi)$
- ▶ Establish a possible procedure to future quarkonium isolation measurements

Thank you for your attention! 😊



Backup

Simulation further information

- ▶ The simulation was produced with:

- ▶ Helac-Onia v2.7.6

- Compute kinematics of $g + g \rightarrow c\bar{c}[{}^{2S+1}L_J^{(c)}] + g$

- ▶ Pythia v8309 (with  settings)

- Evolve $c\bar{c}[{}^{2S+1}L_J^{(c)}]$ to the physical J/ψ

- Decay $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$

- Include all the processes giving rise to **UE**

- Hadronisation

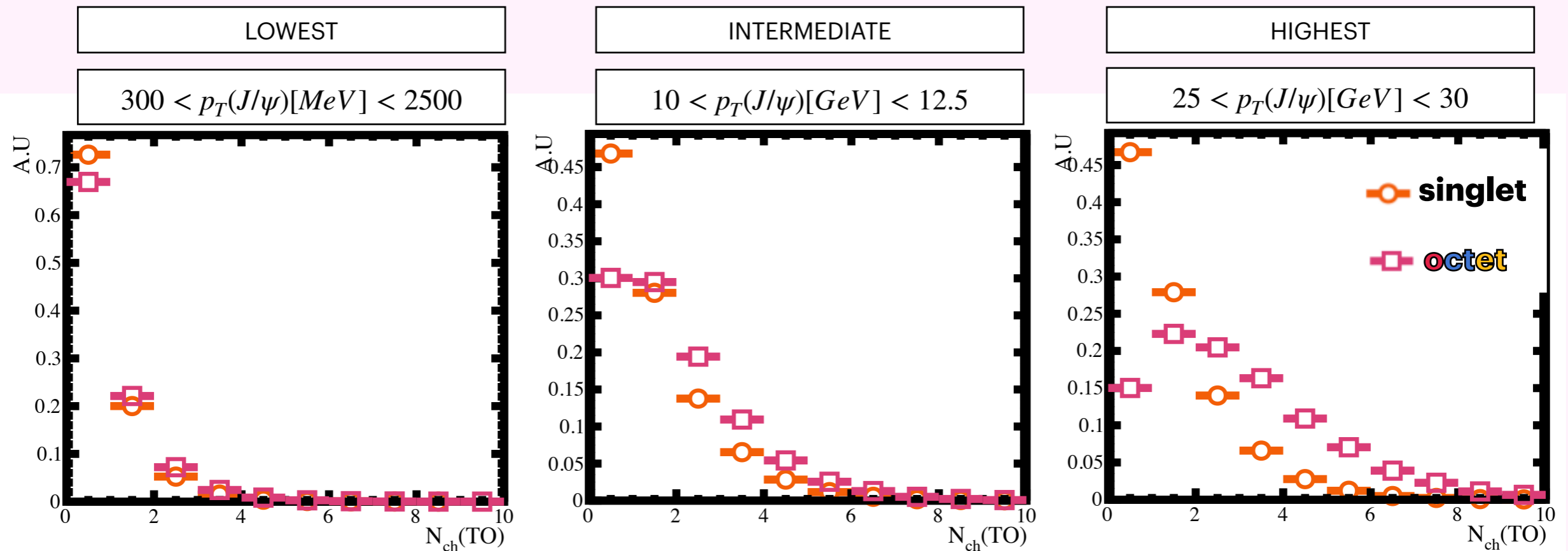
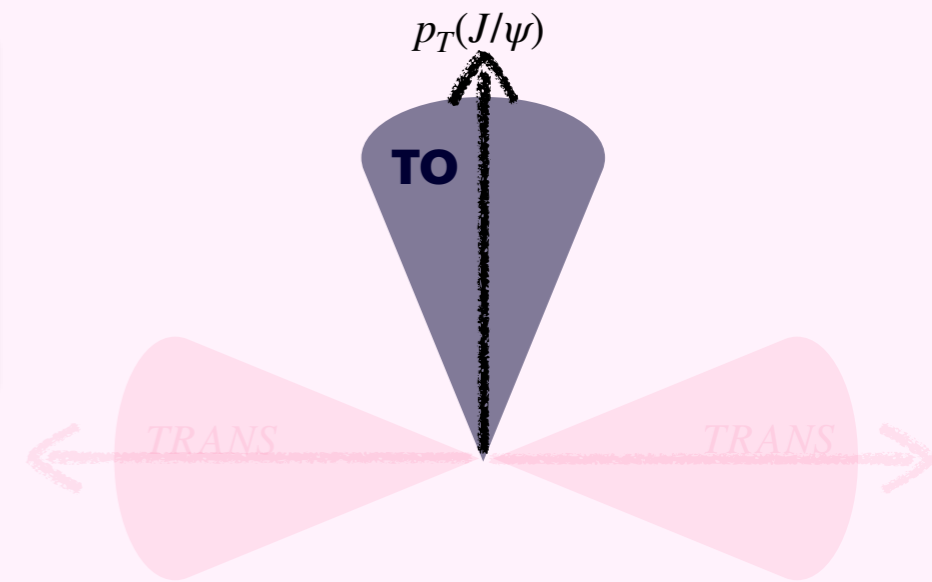
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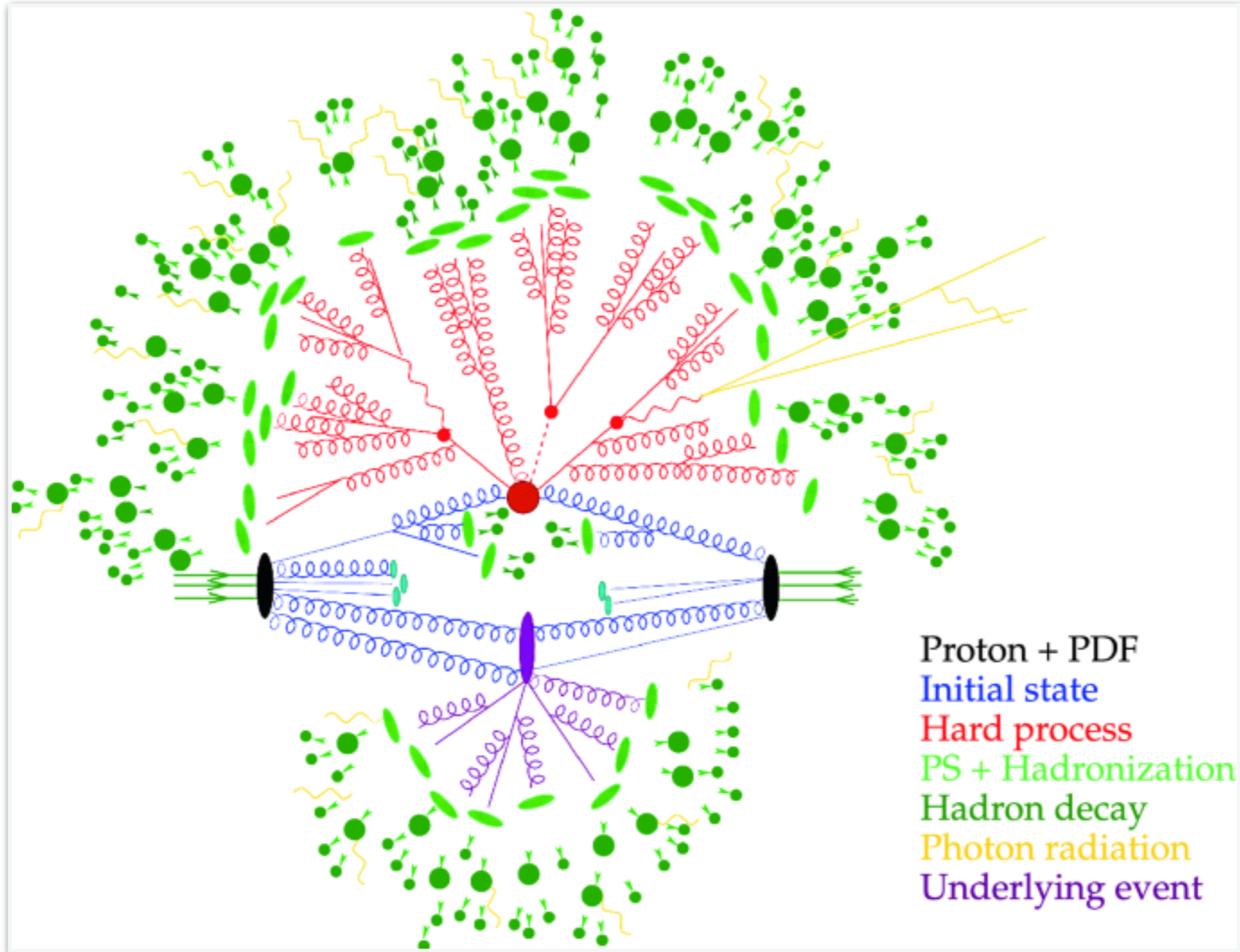
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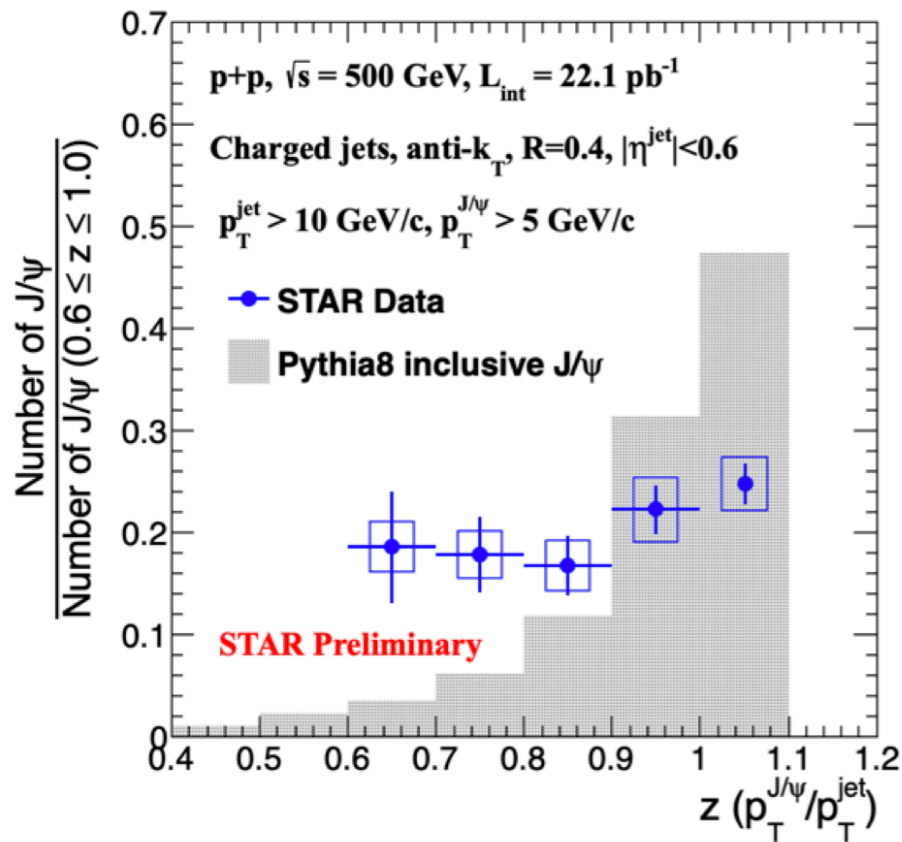
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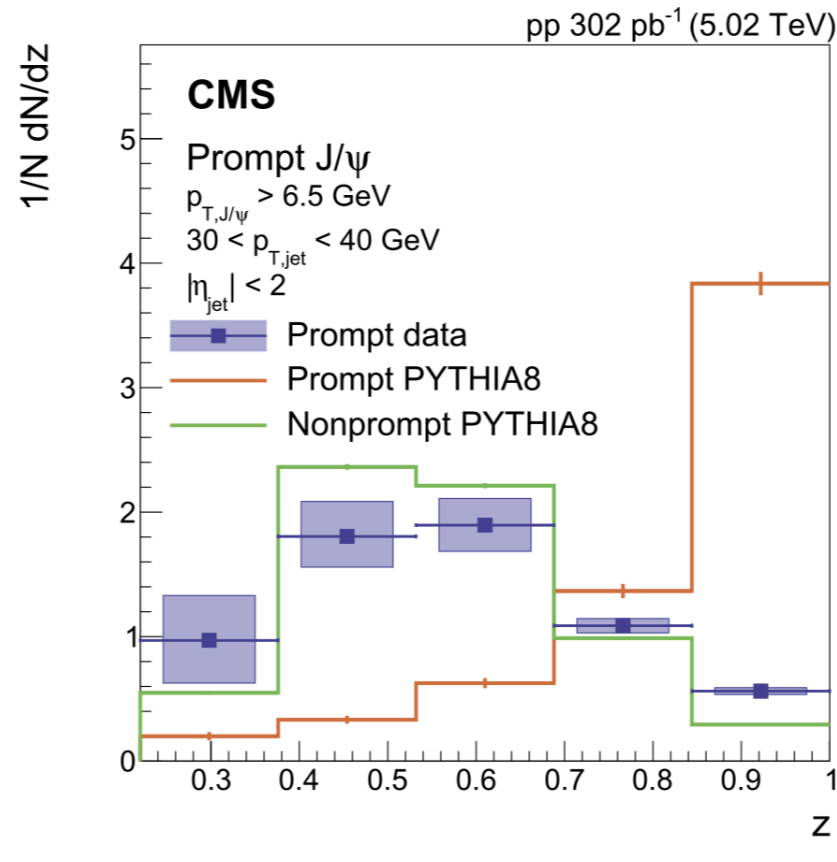
More for prompt J/ψ in jets

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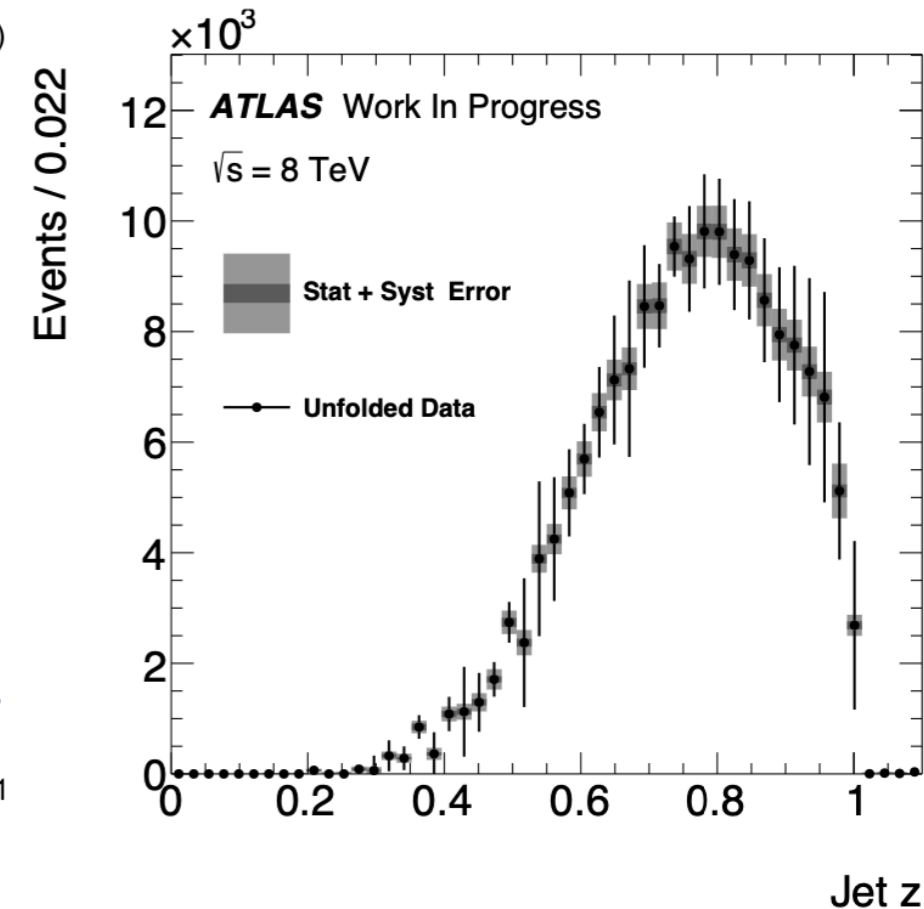
- ▶ No significant dependence
 - ▶ More statistics
- ▶ Less isolated than PYTHIA8 predictions
 - ▶ Point at $z = 1$ represent events where $J/\psi = jet$

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- ▶ Similar to LHCb results
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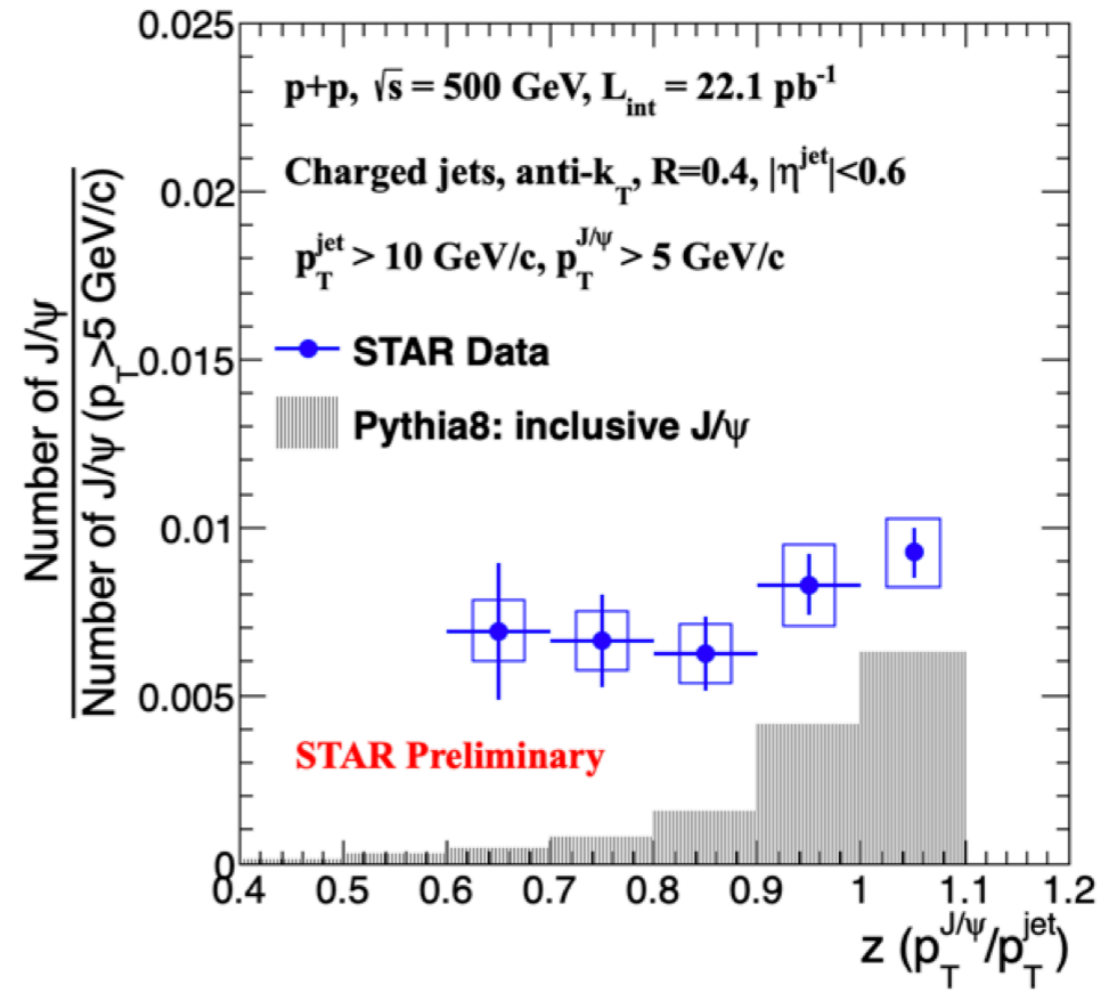
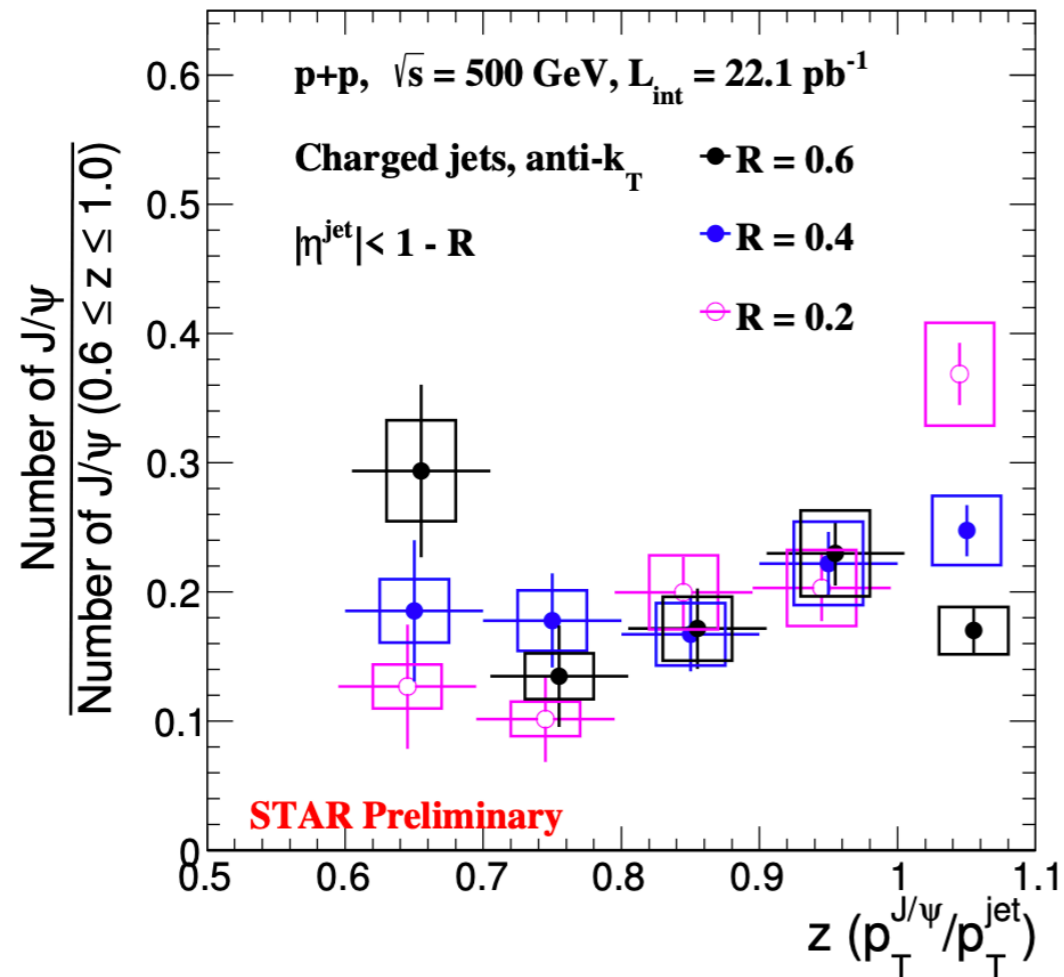
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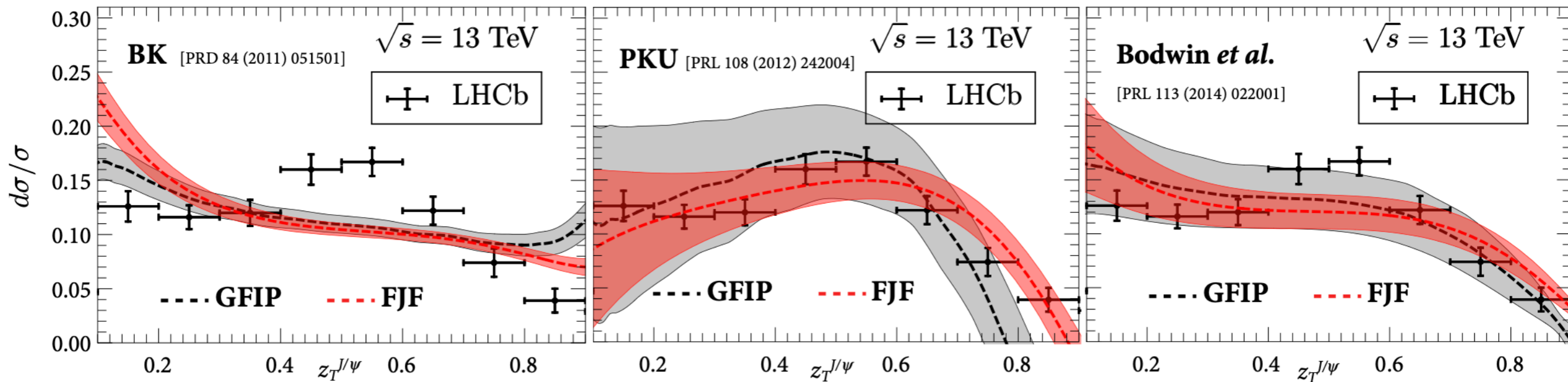
- ▶ Peak at higher z than LHCb results

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Study of J/ψ production in jets in p+p collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 500$ GeV by STAR



NRQCD confronts LHCb Data on Quarkonium production within jets



Glueon Fragmentation Improved PYTHIA (GFIP):

Hard gluons produced in the short distance process with virtuality of order E_{jet} are allowed to shower until a gluon with virtuality $\sim 2m_c$ and convolution with LO-NRQCD FFs to obtain J/ψ distributions

FJF

Combine FJFs with hard events and evolve FFs from $2m_c$ to E_{jet}

Better agreement than default PYTHIA
High- p_T LDME sets better agreement