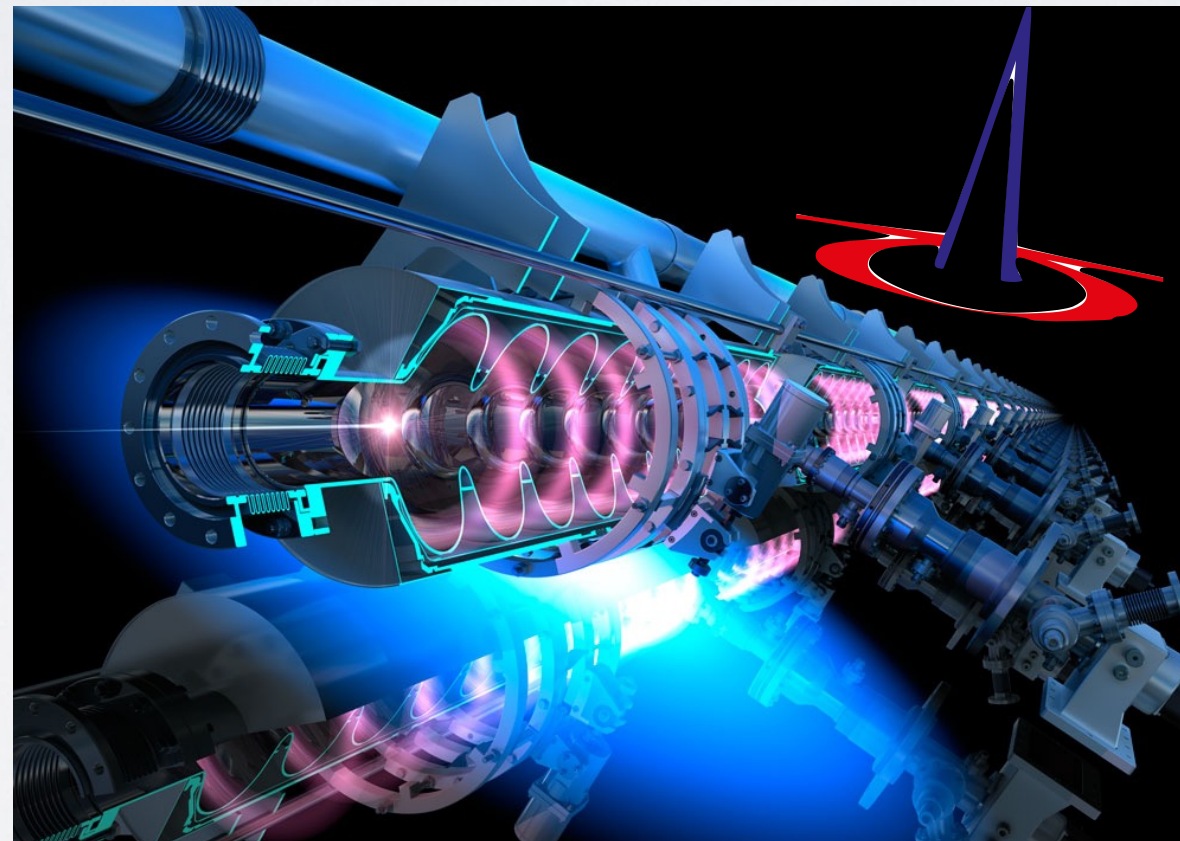


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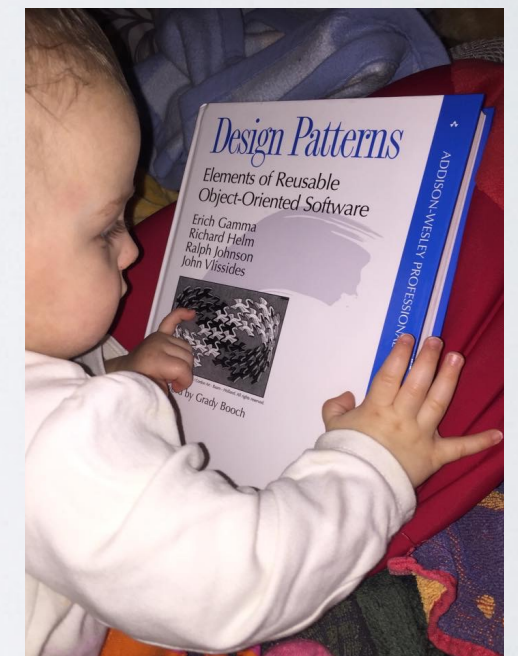
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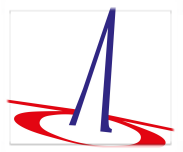
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Talk concentrates on NEW features and current developments/ (near) future plans





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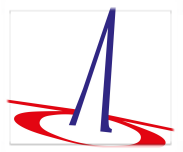
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```
- Event : 1
- run: 42
- timestamp 1429387390000000000
- weight 1
```

```
date: 18.04.2015 20:03:10.000000000
detector : unknown
event parameters:
parameter ProcessID [int]: 20,
```

```
collection name : MCParticle
parameters:
```

----- print out of MCParticle collection -----

```
flag: 0x0
simulator status bits: [sbvtcls] s: created in simulation b: backscatter v: vertex is not endpoint of parent t: decayed in tracker c: decayed in calorimeter l: has left detector s: stopped o: overlay
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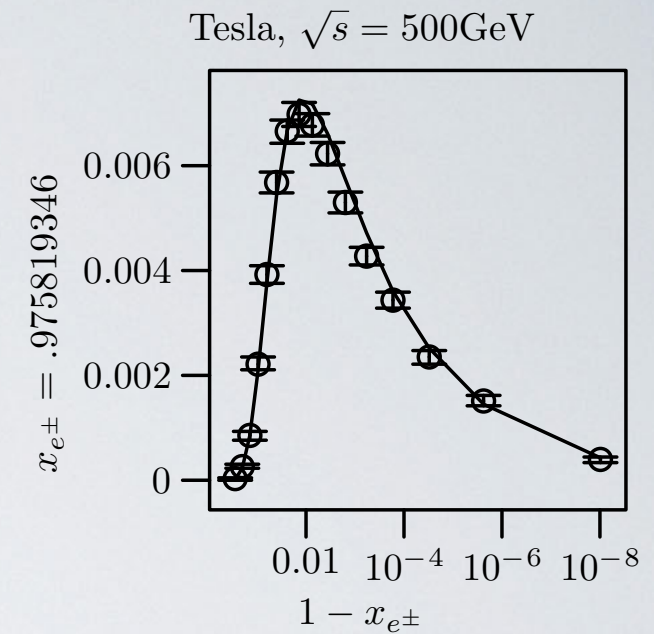
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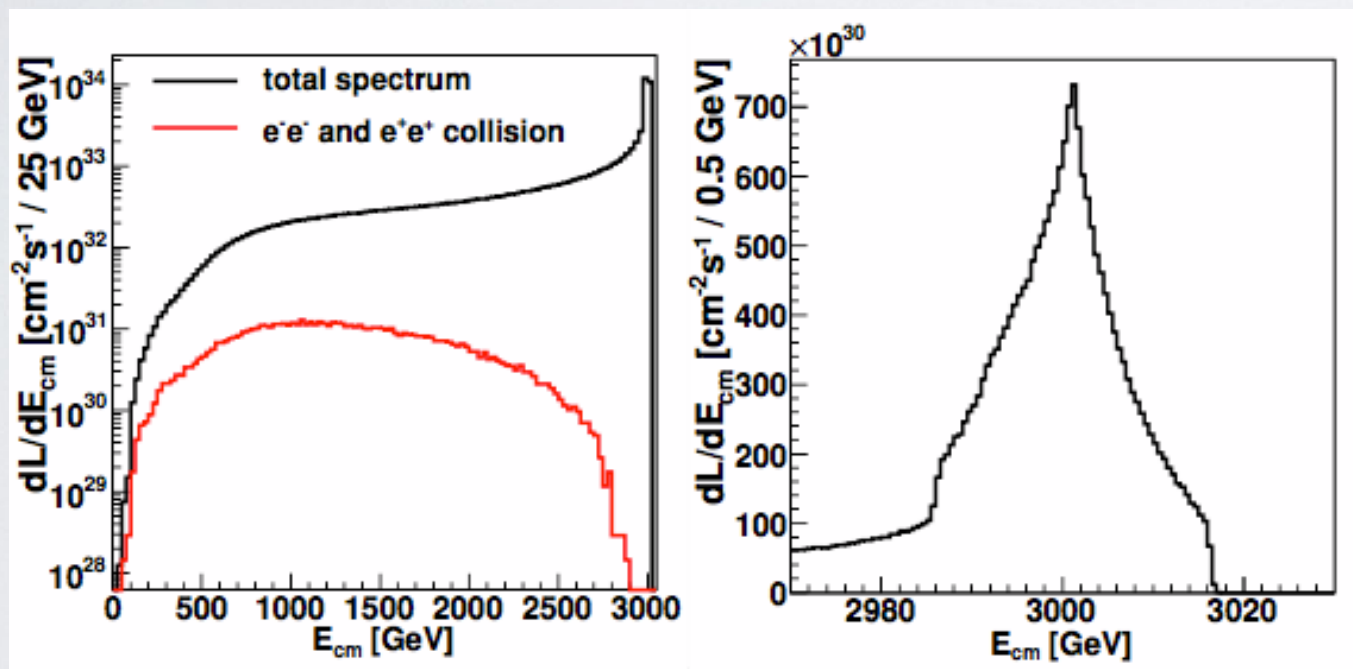
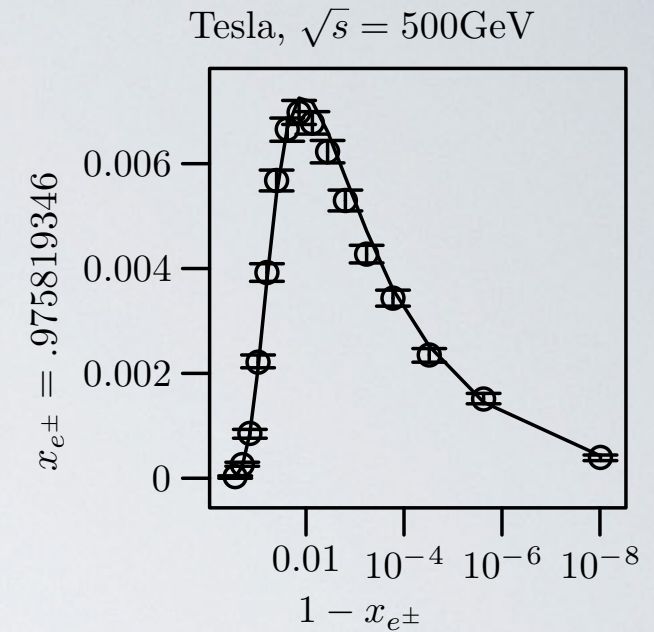






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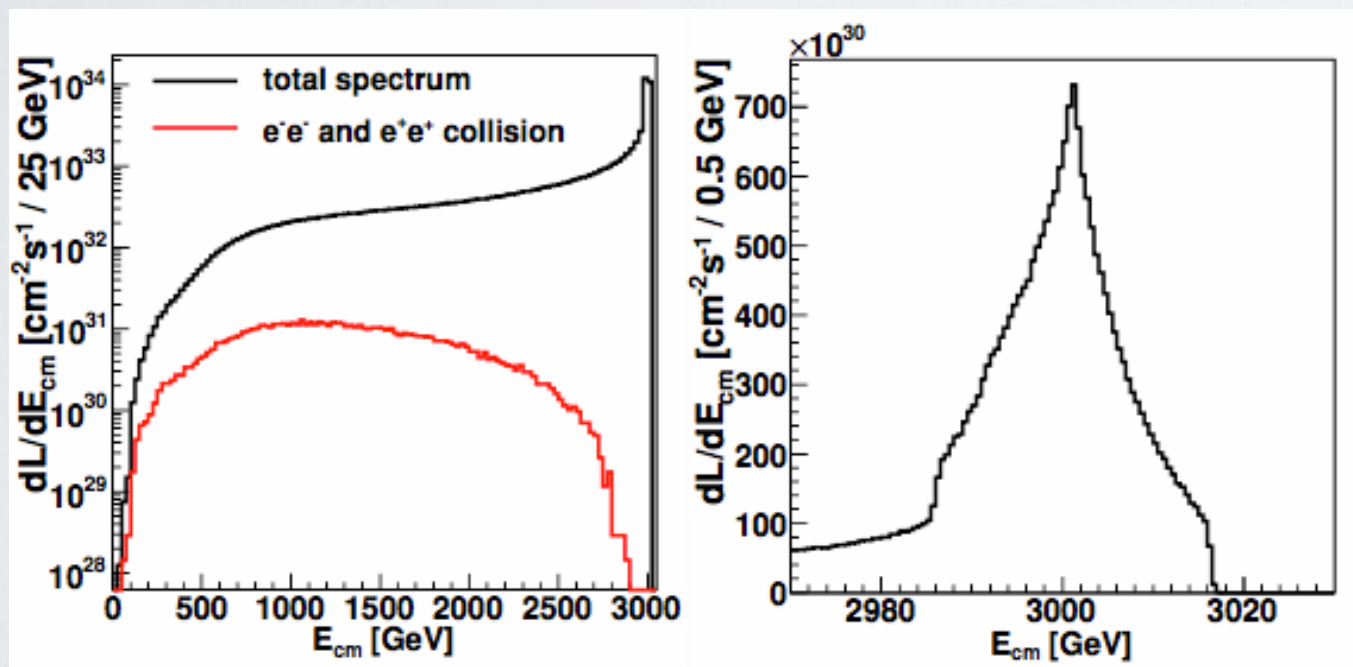
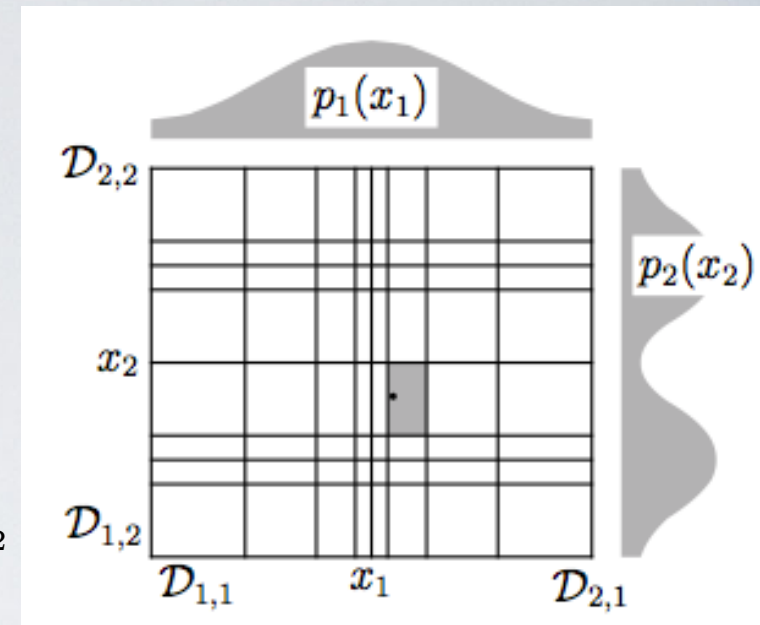
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- Smooth correlated fluctuations with moderate **Gaussian filter** [suppresses artifacts from limited GuineaPig statistics]
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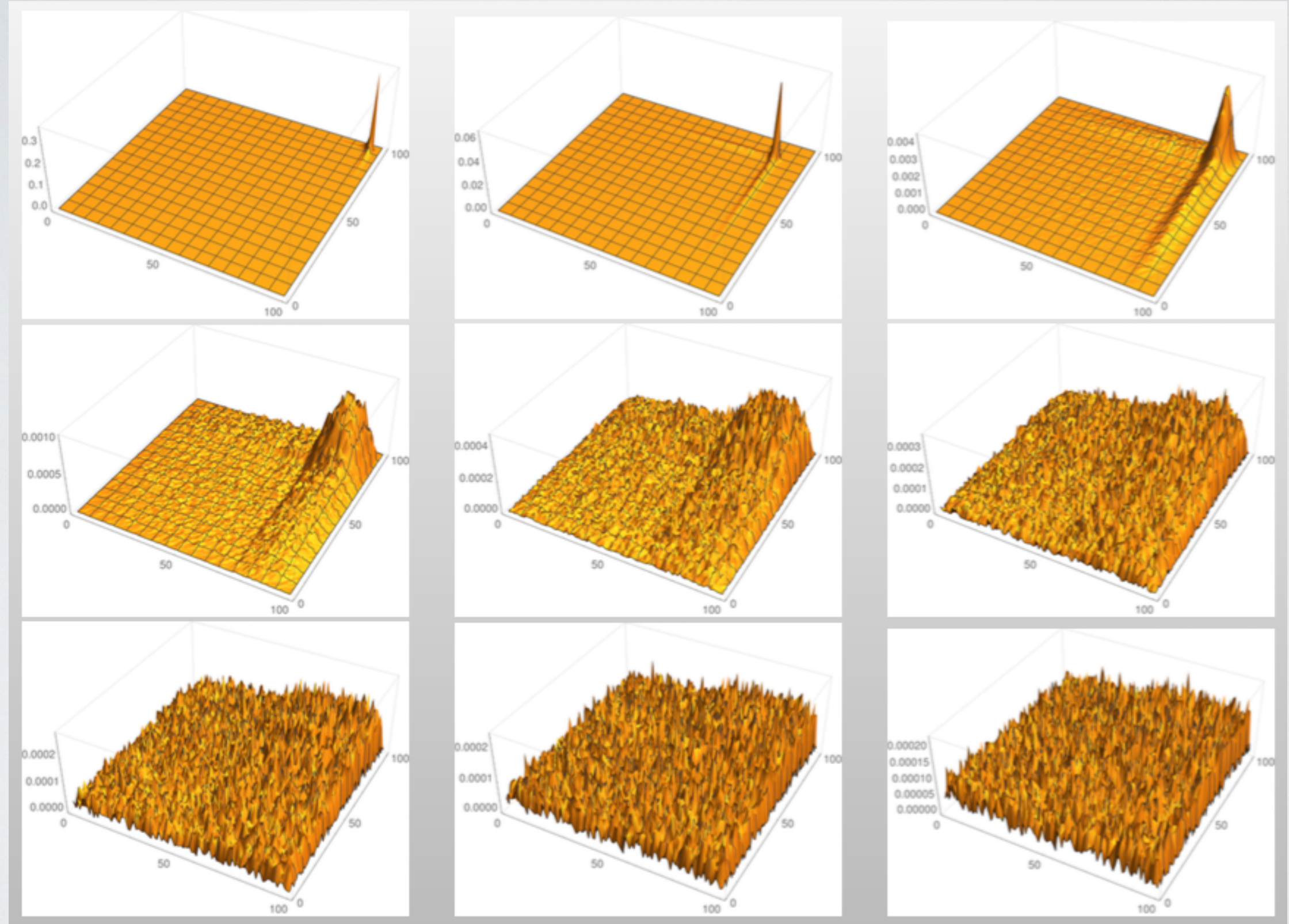
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polarized spectra on demand





# Iterations of Beam Spectrum



(171,306 GuineaPig events in 10,000 bins)

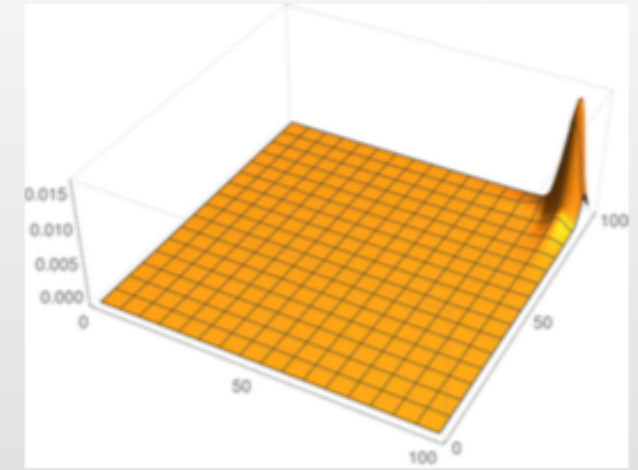
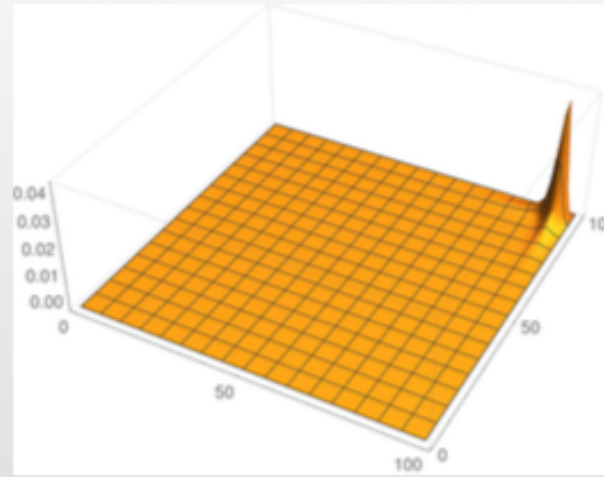
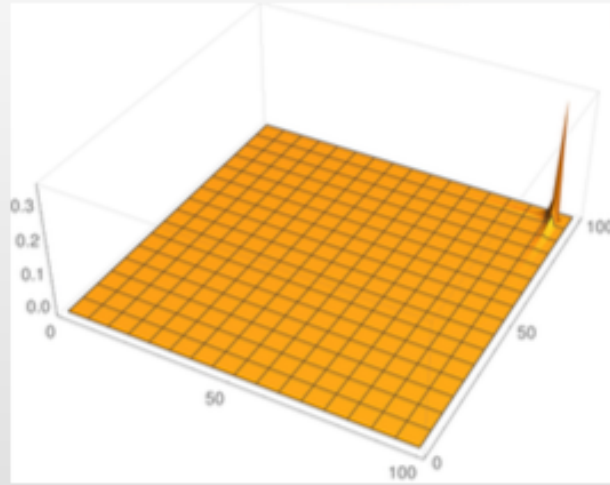




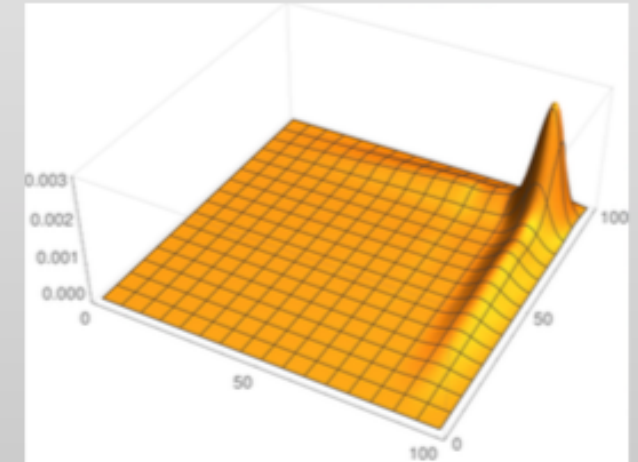
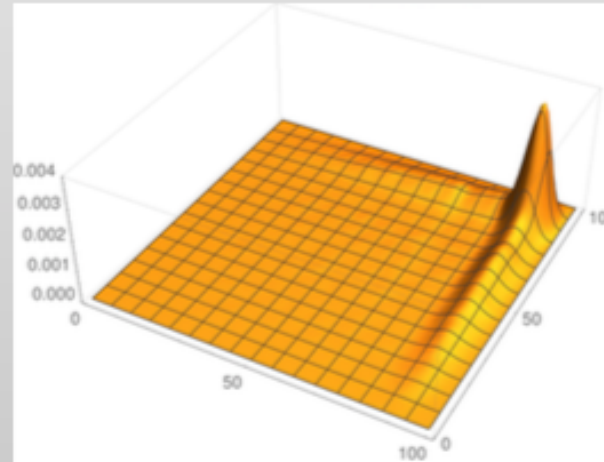
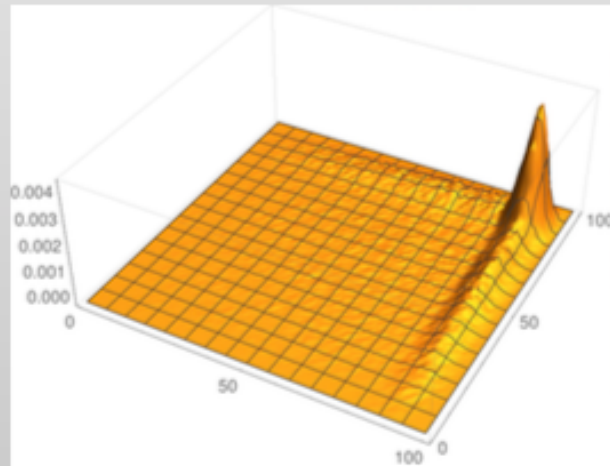


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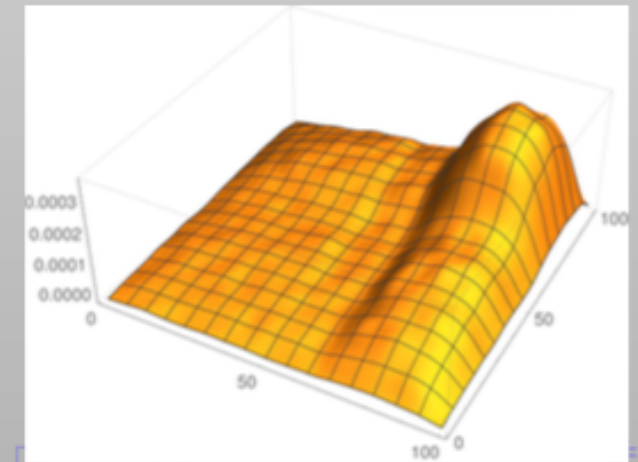
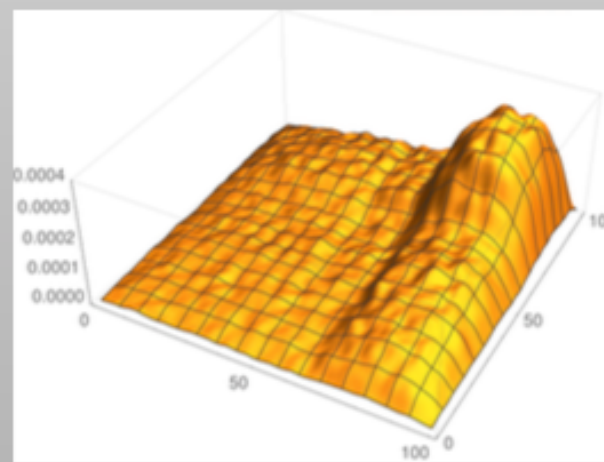
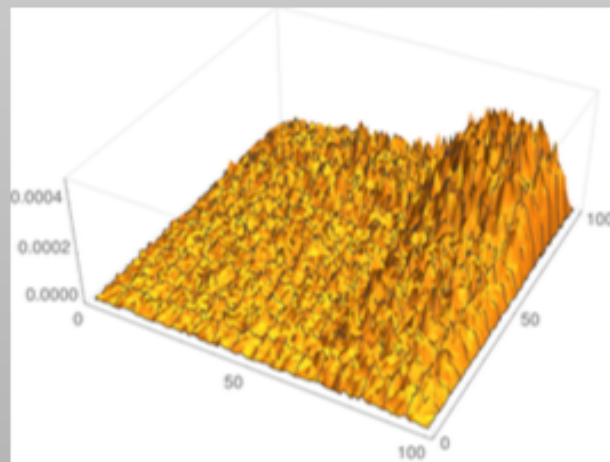
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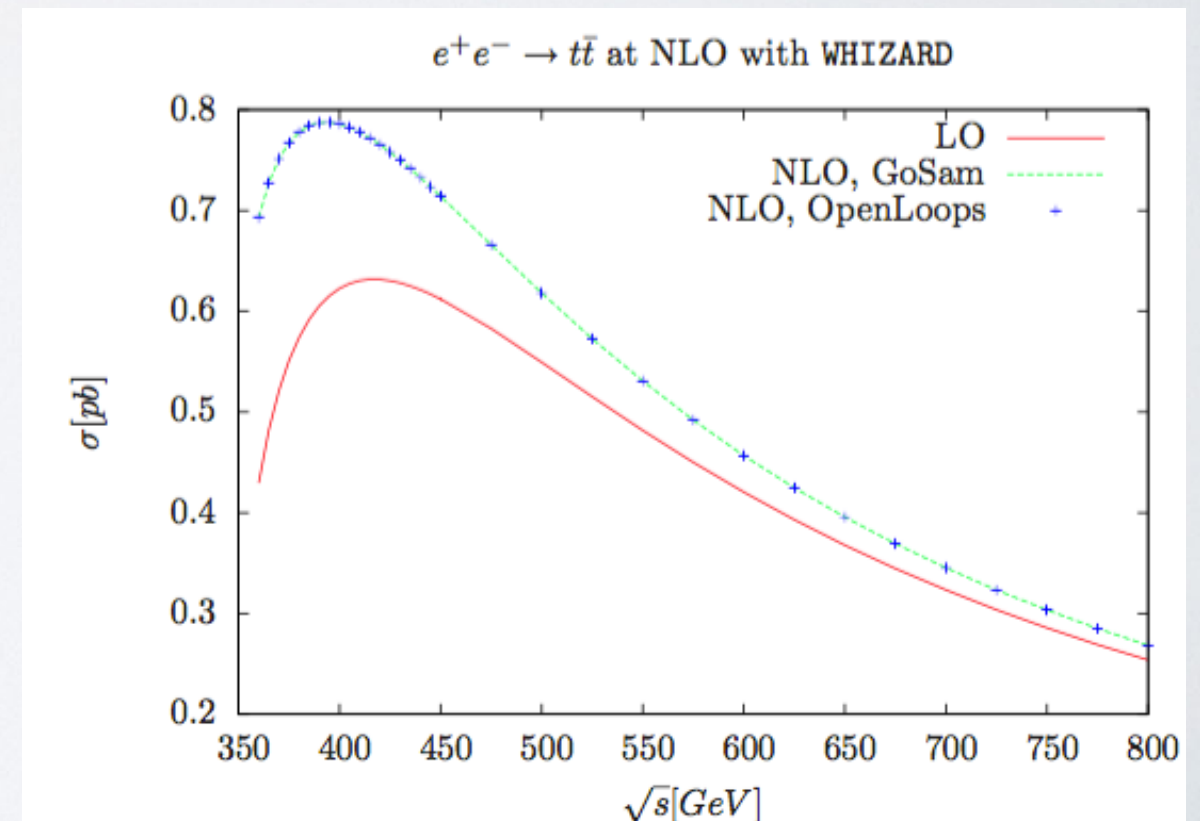
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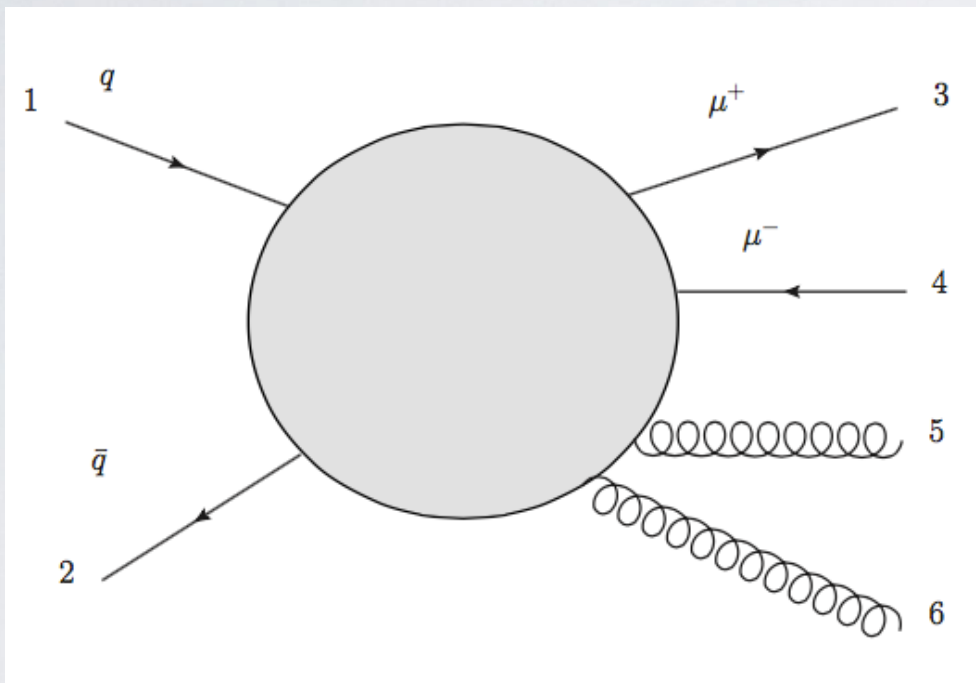
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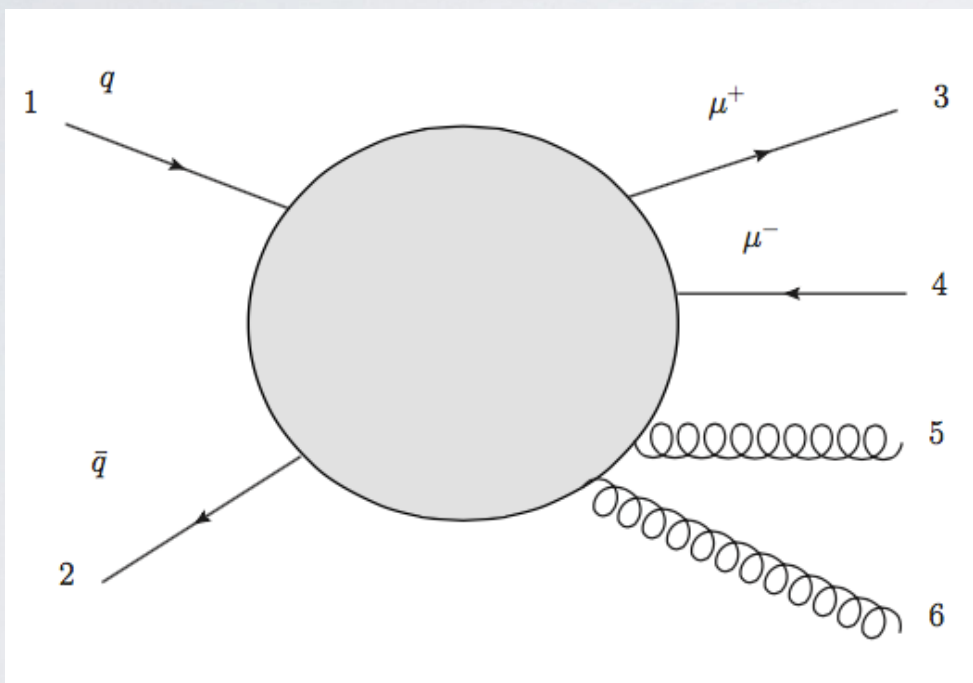
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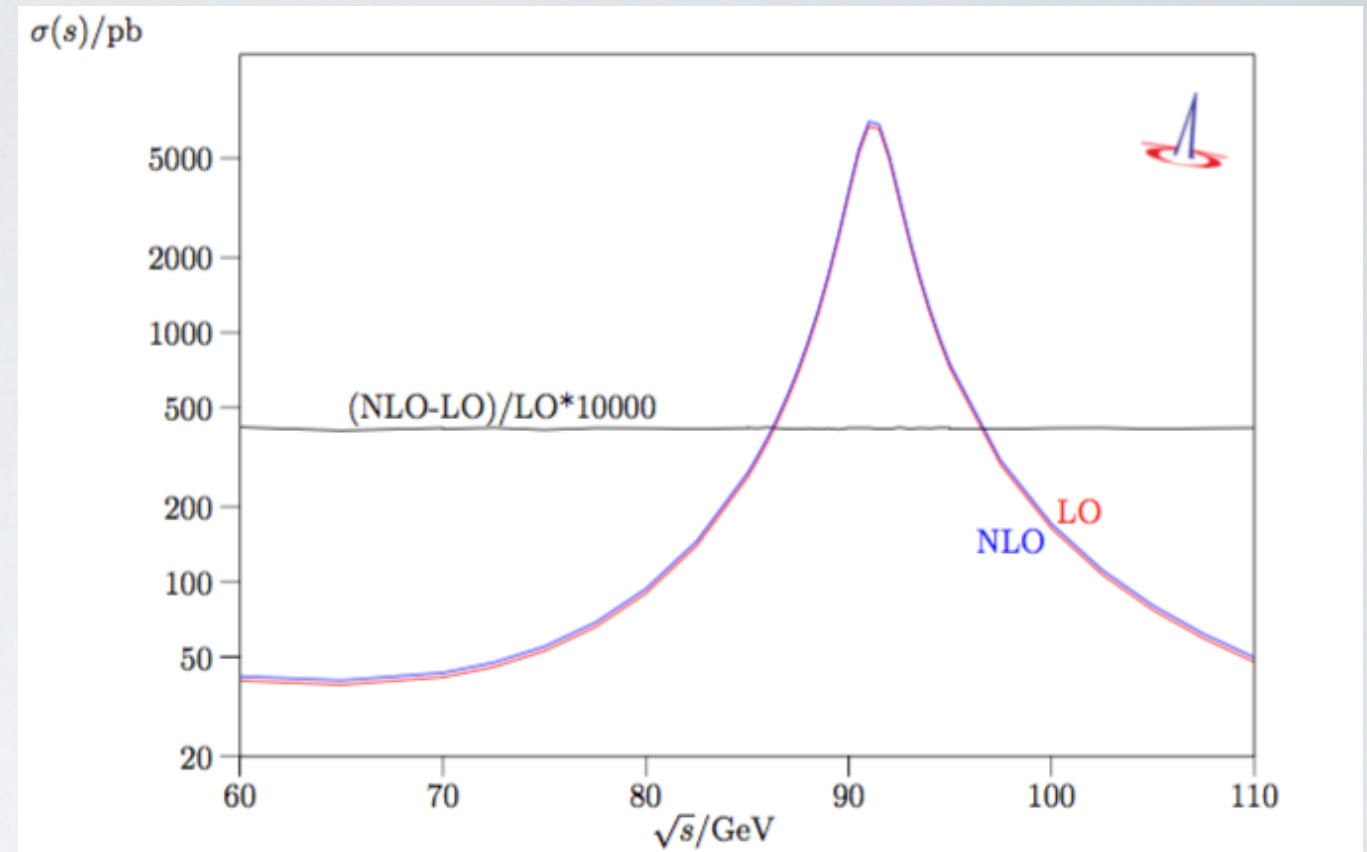
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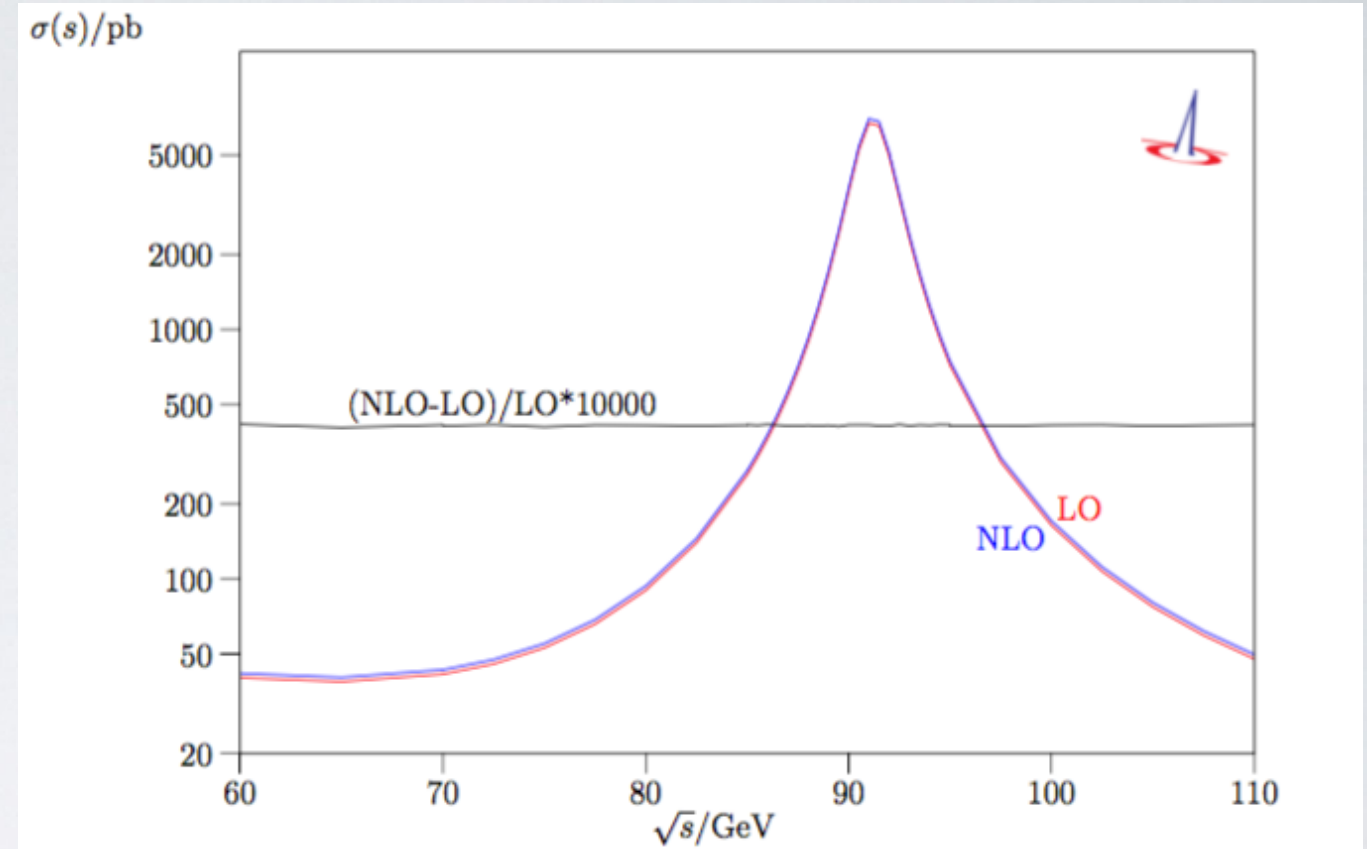
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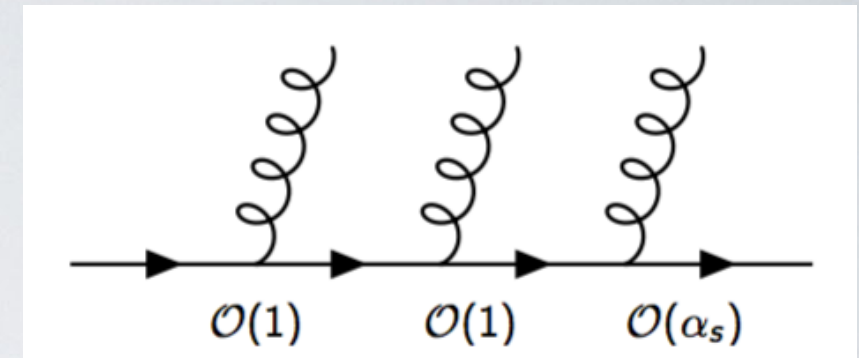
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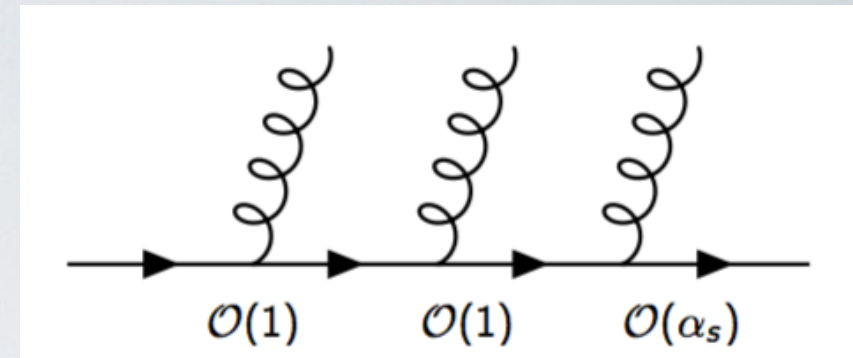






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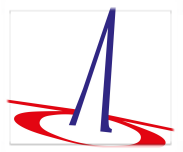
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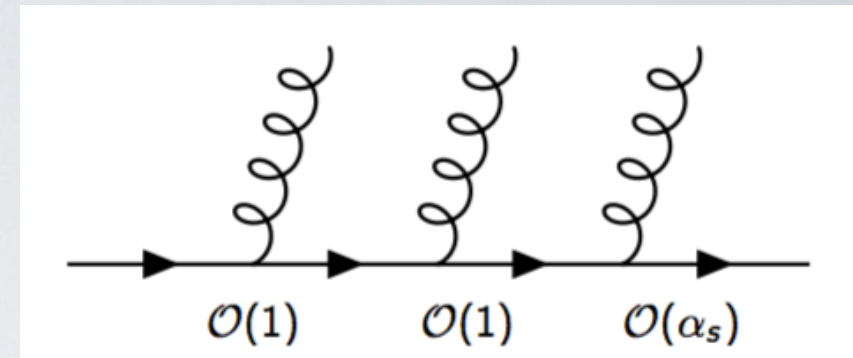
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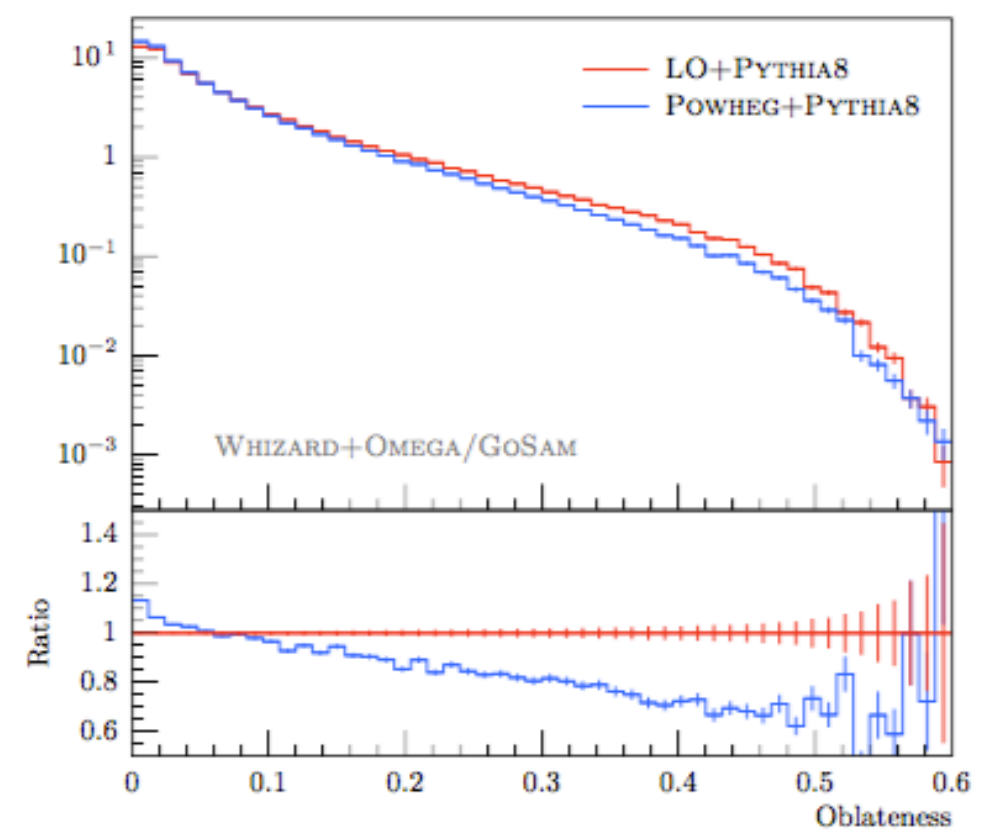
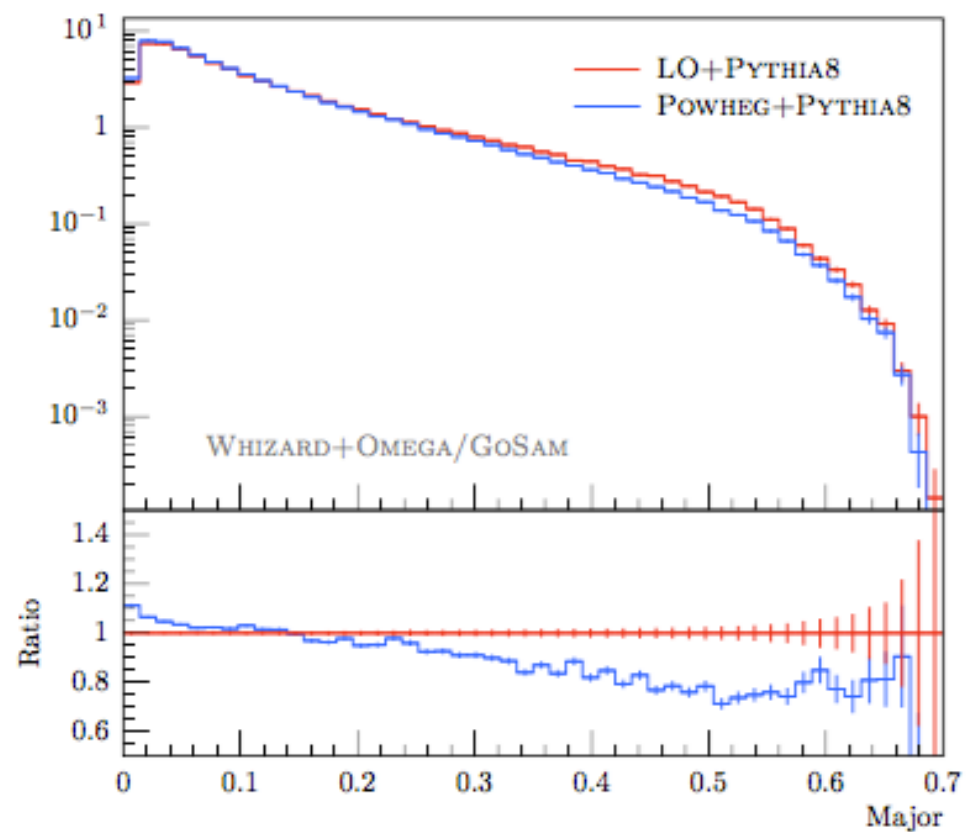
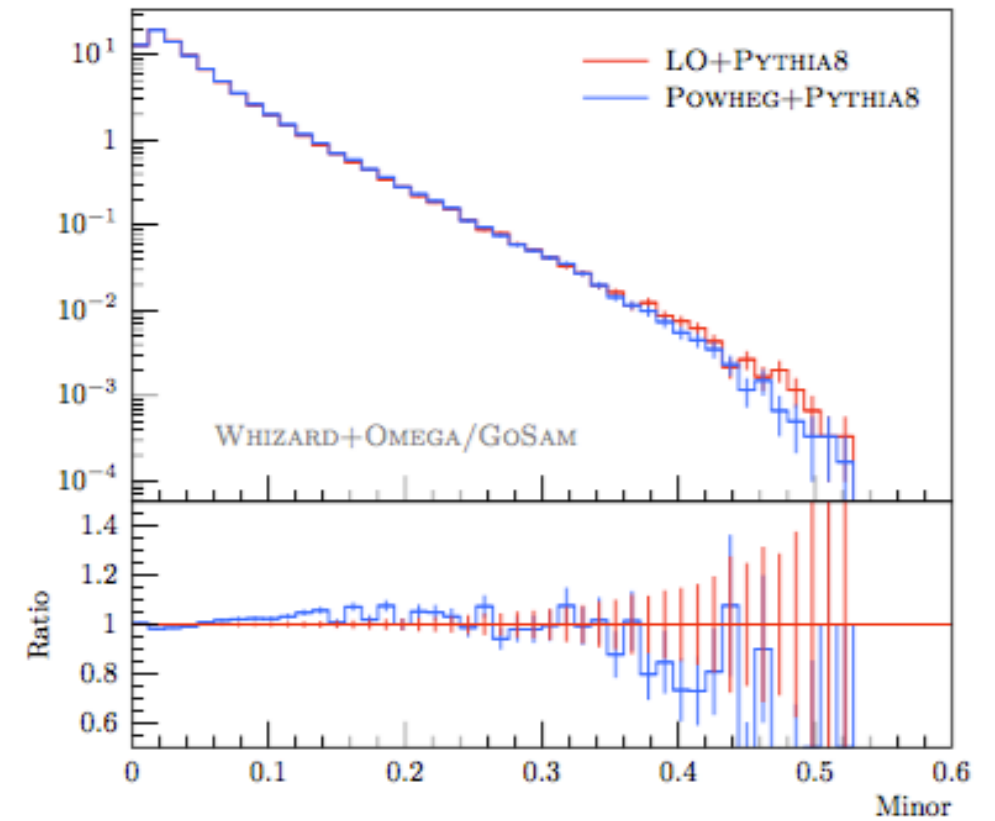
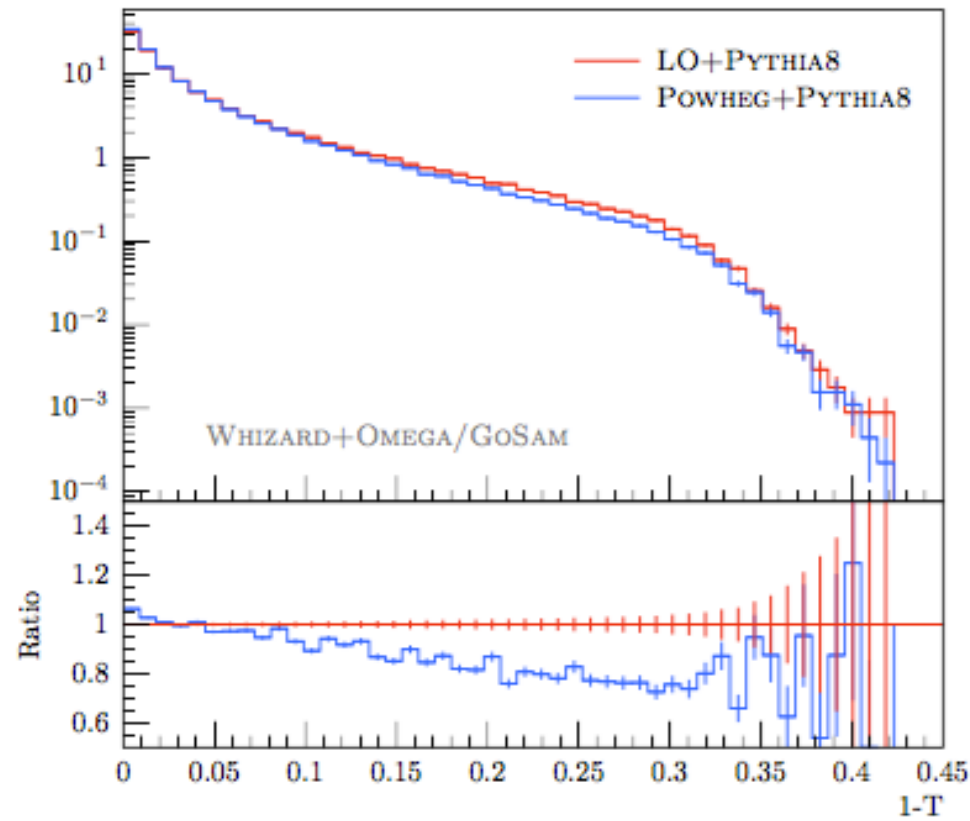
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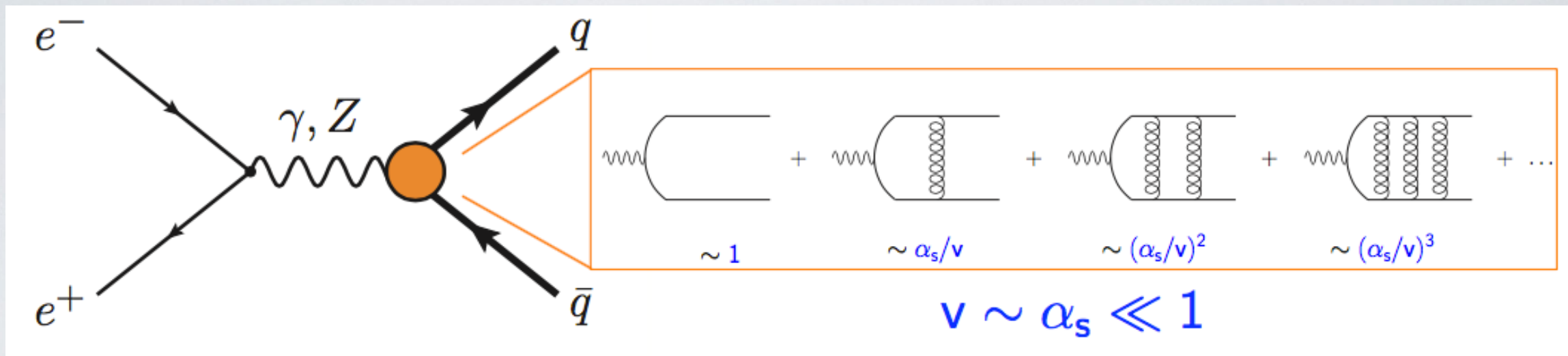




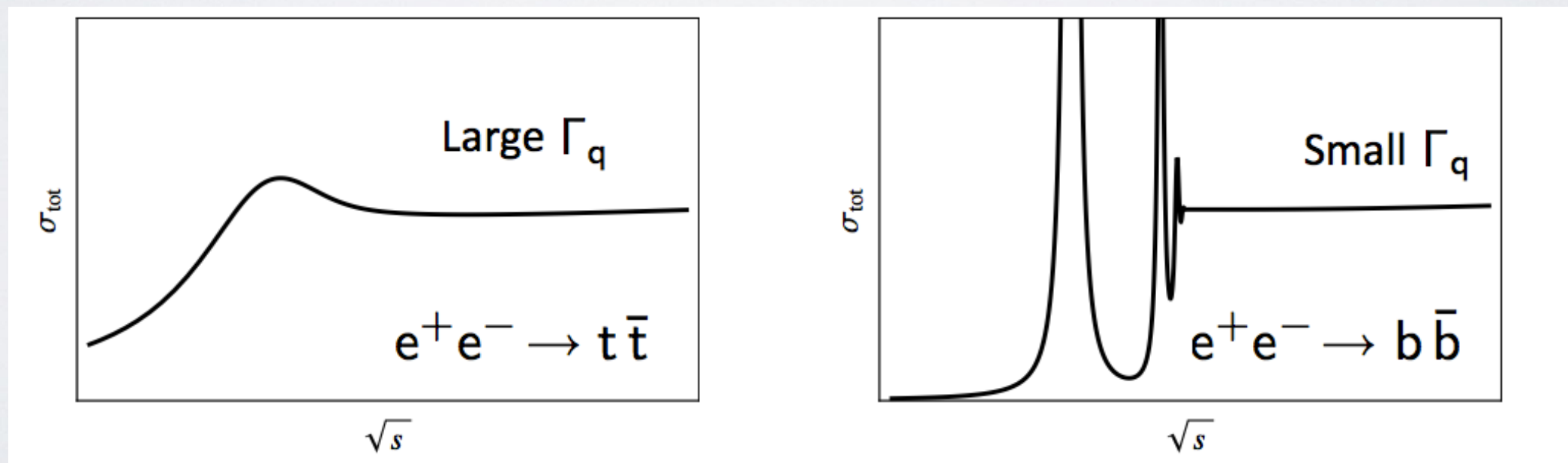
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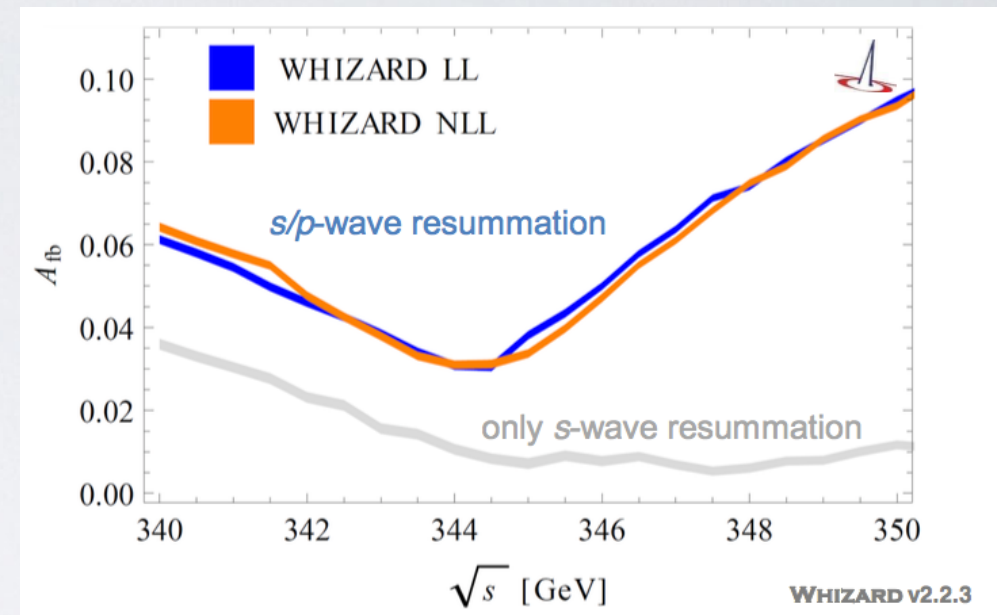
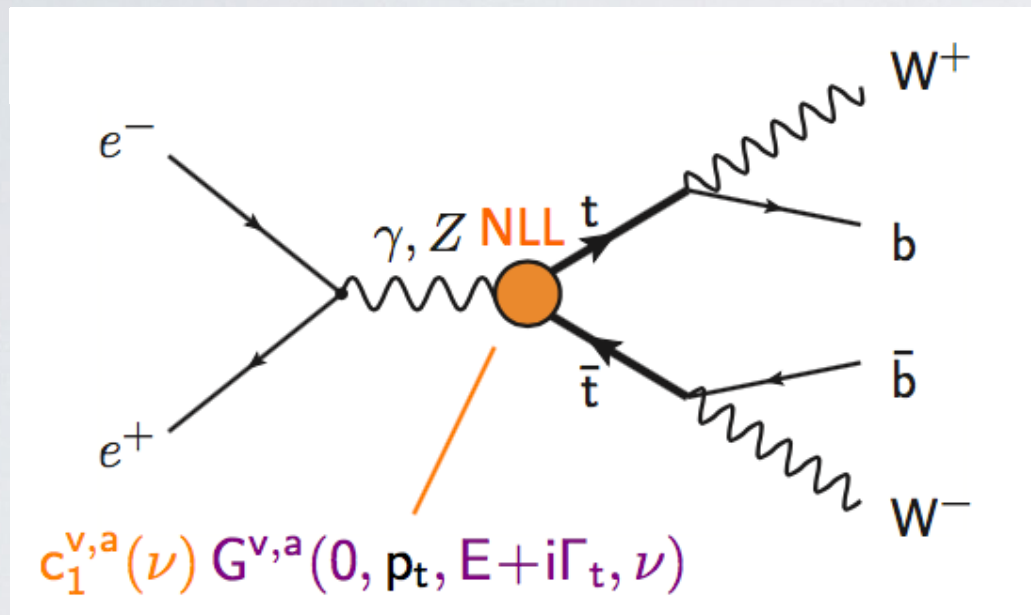




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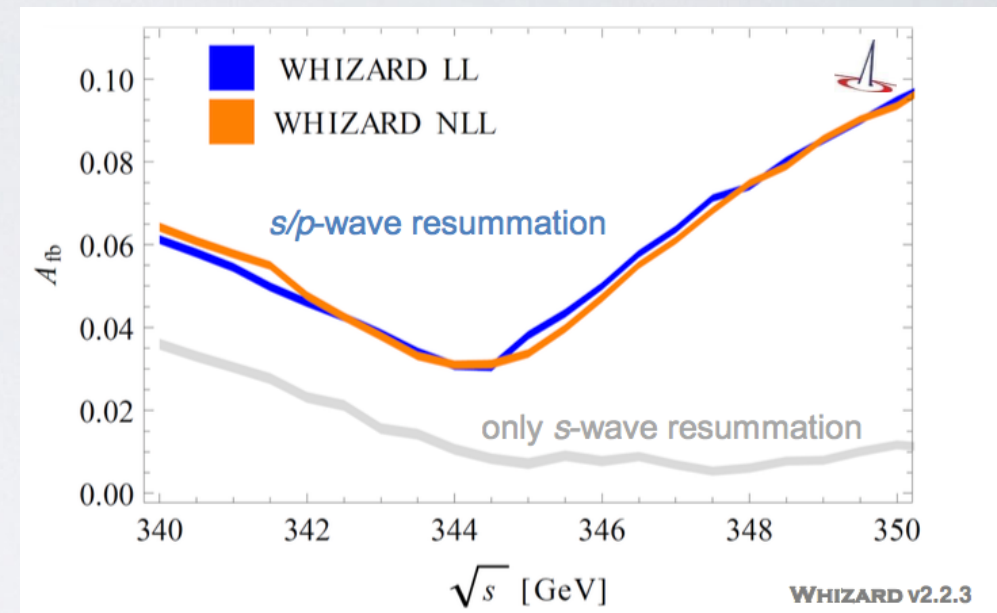
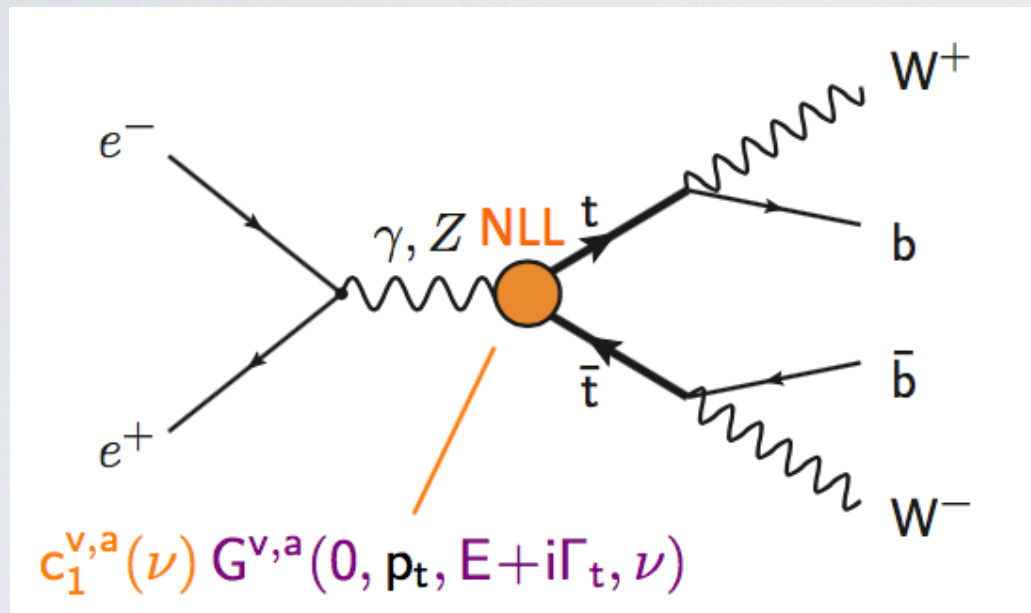




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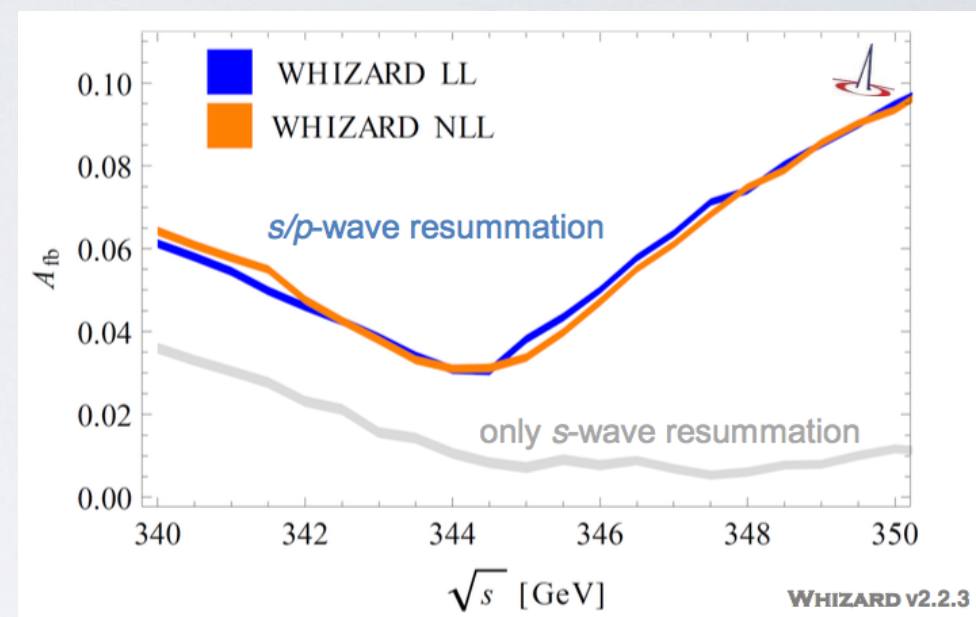
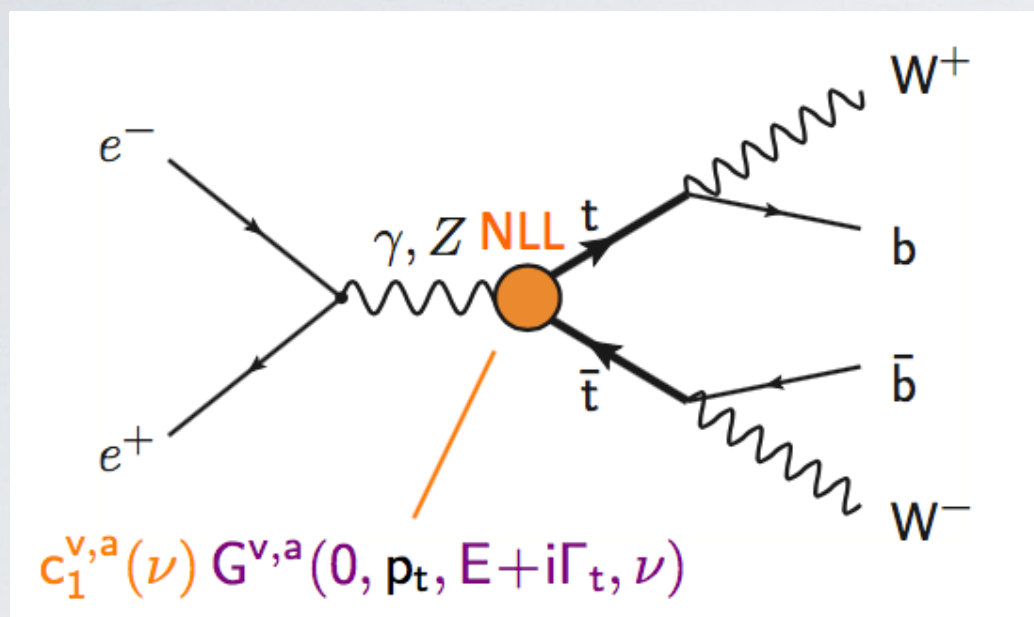




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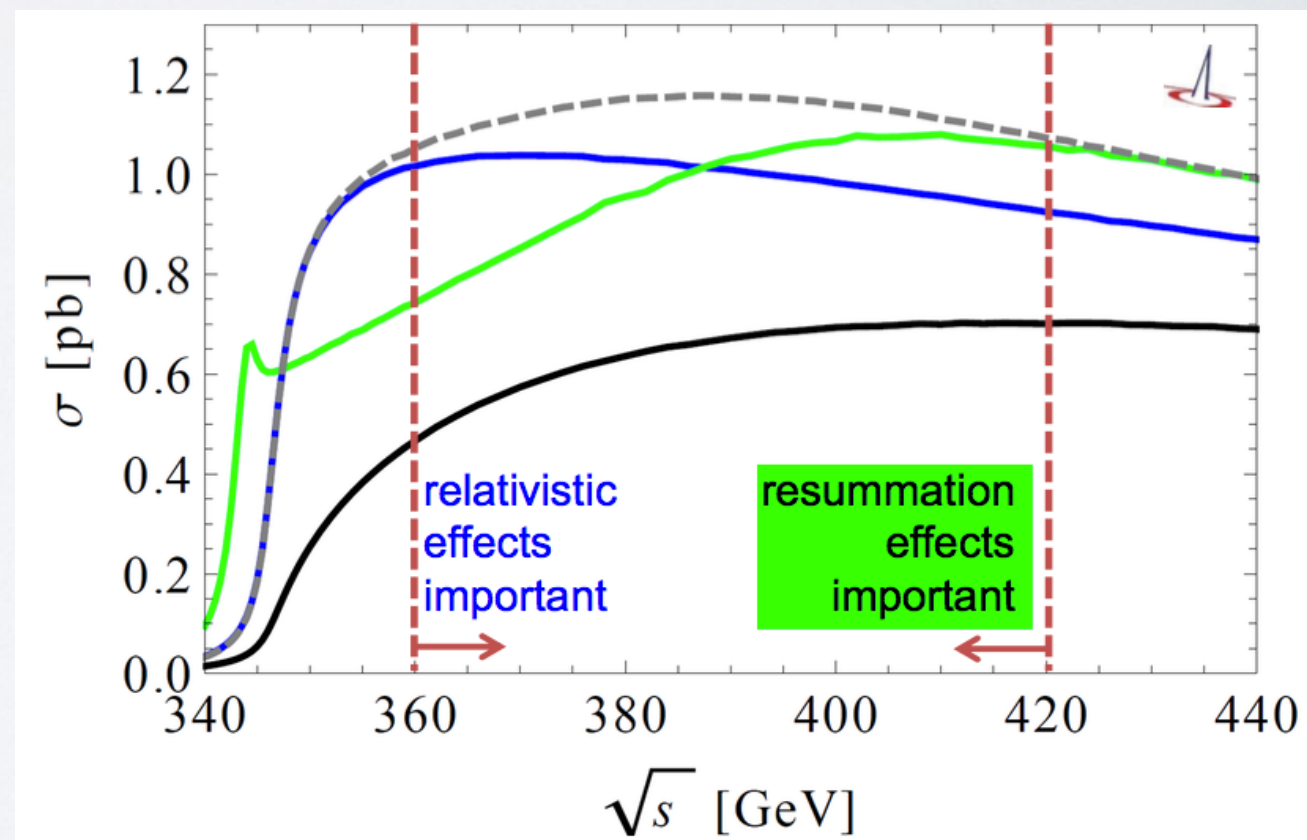
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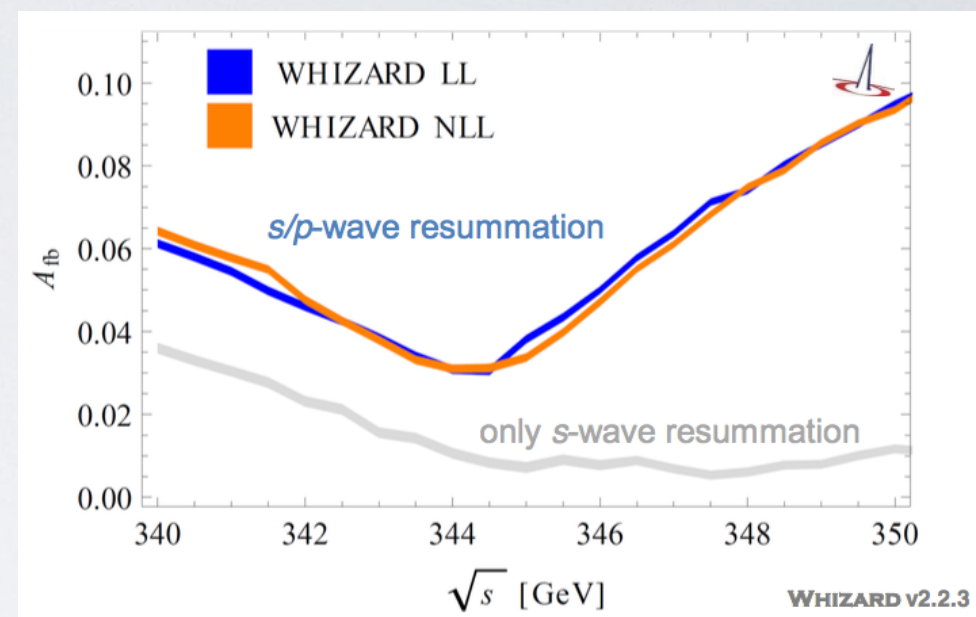
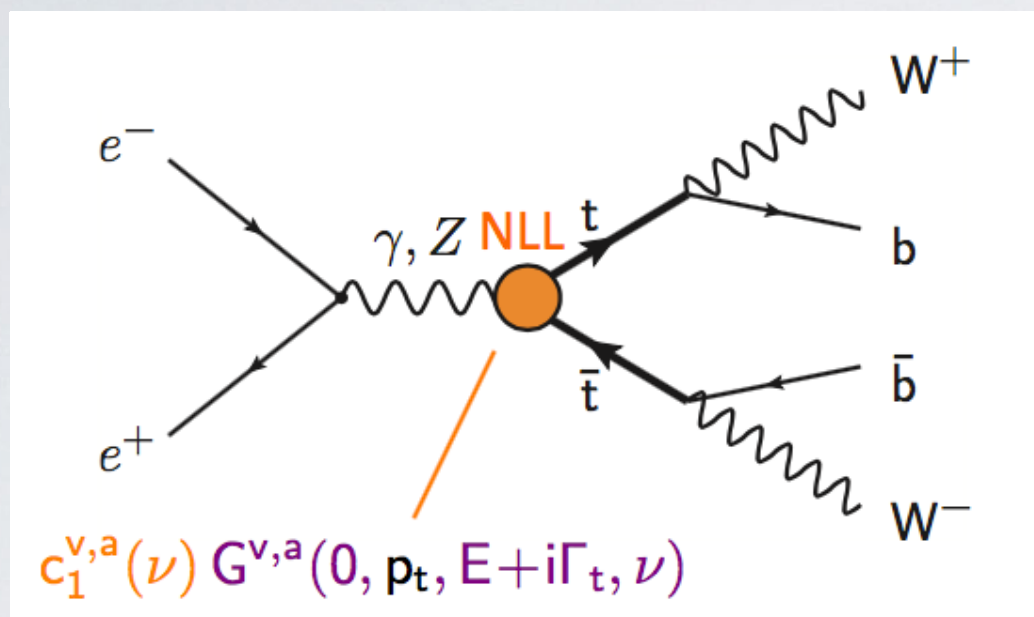




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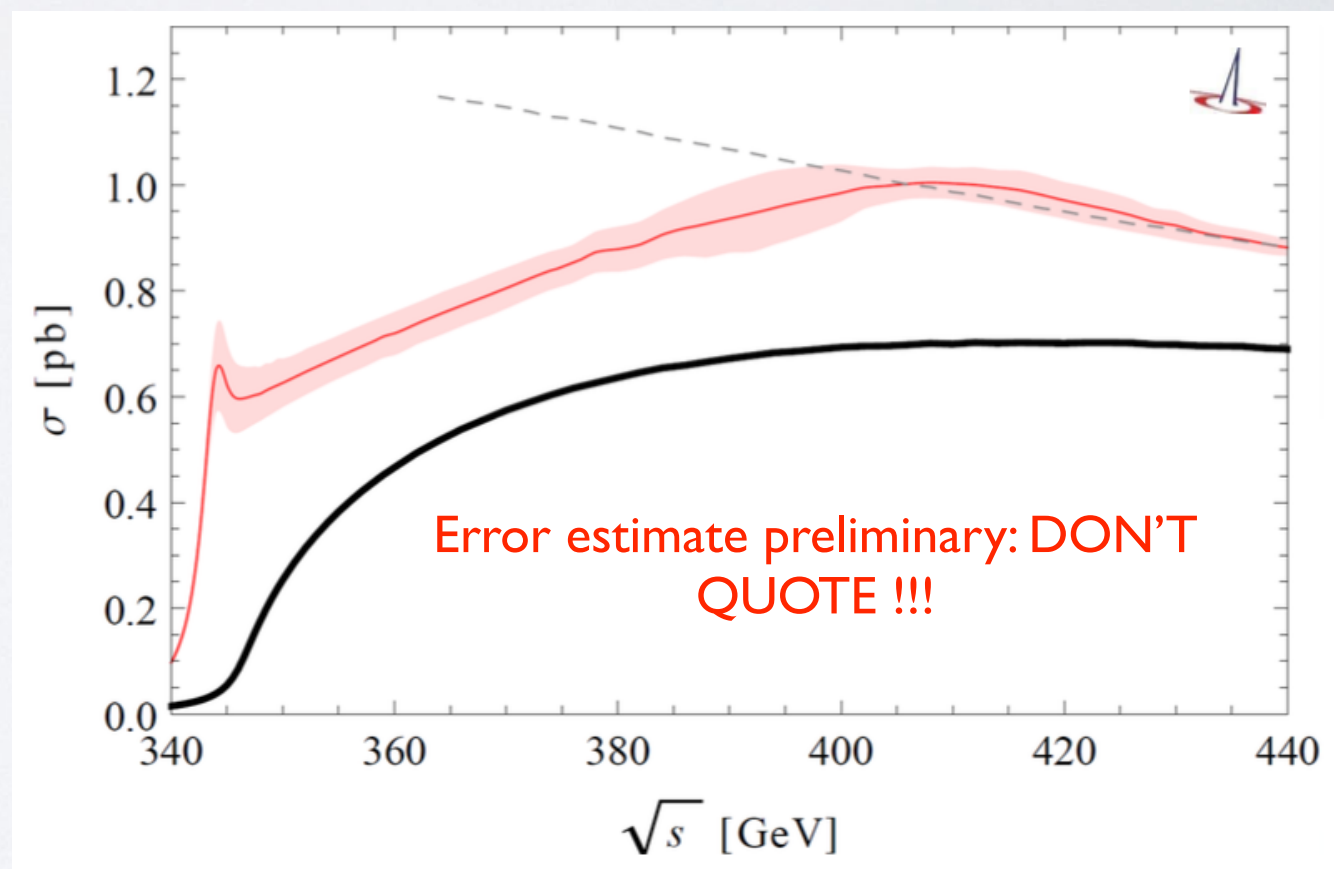
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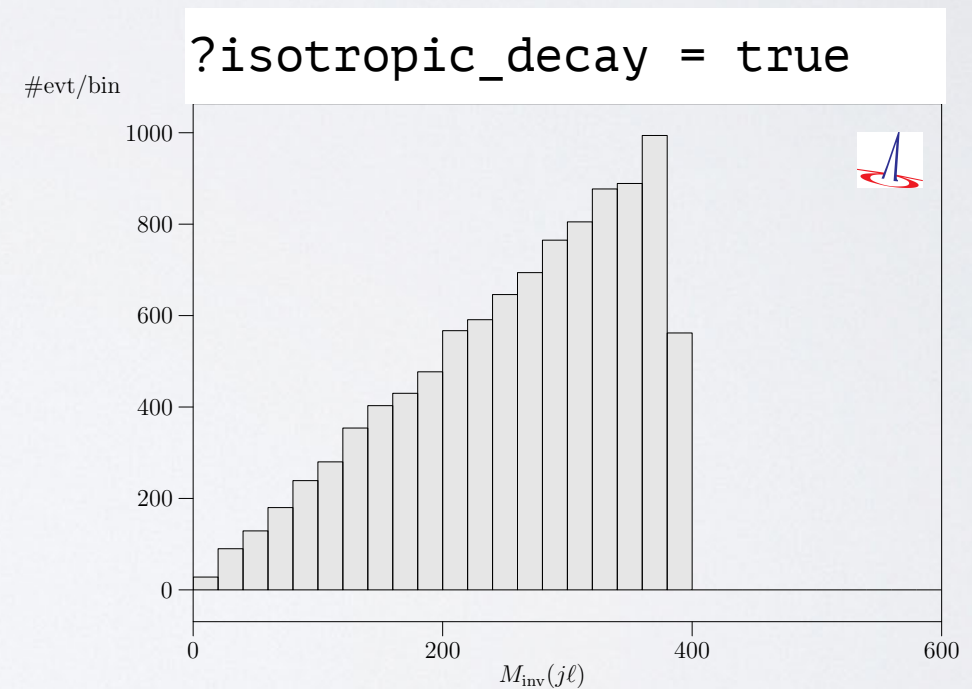
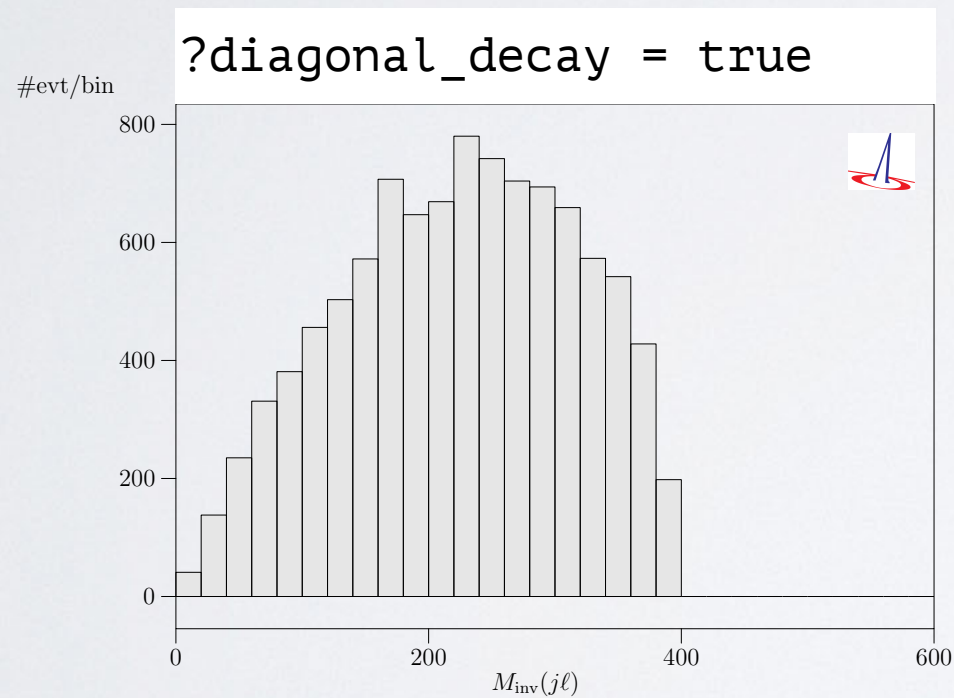
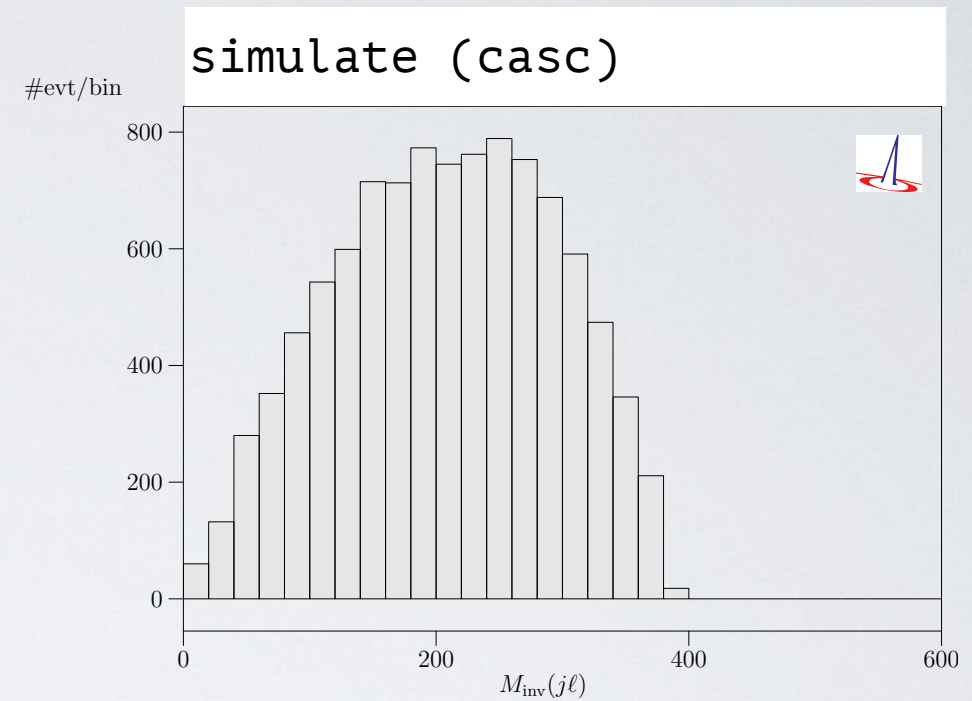
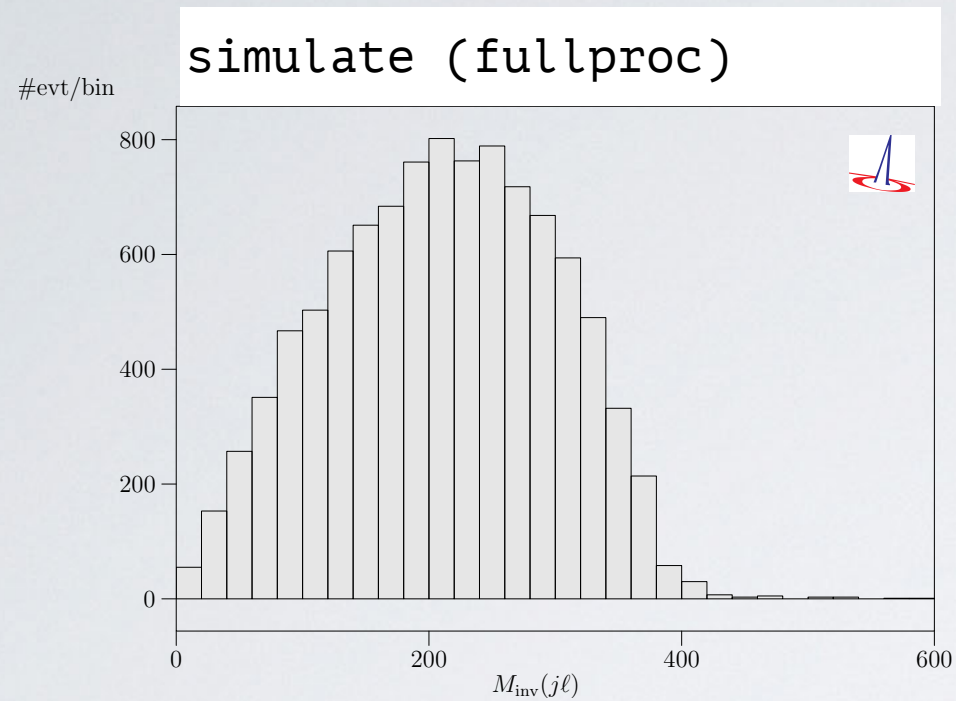






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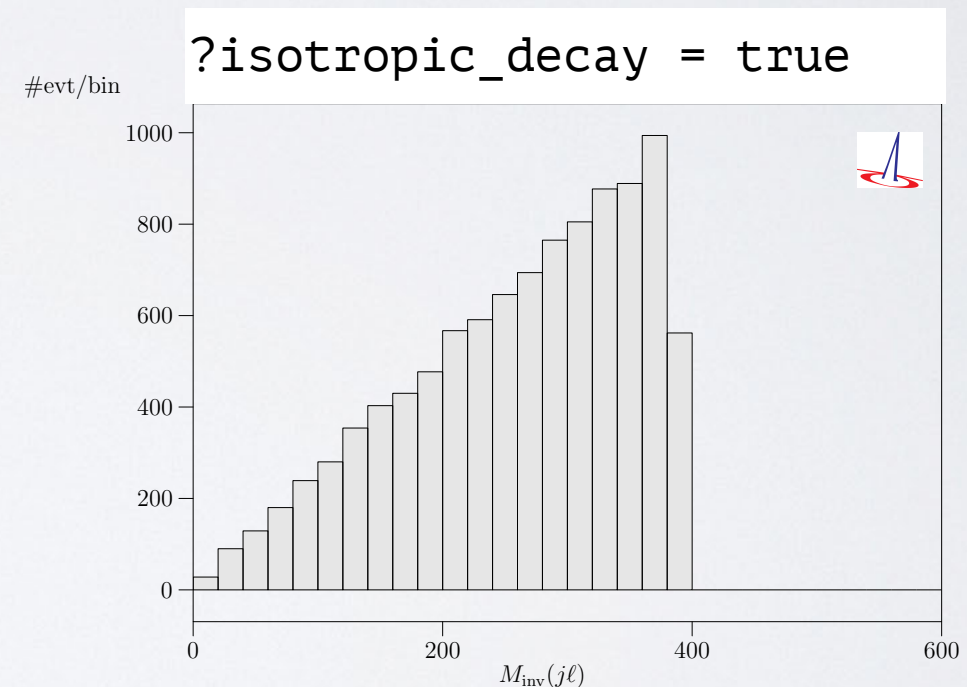
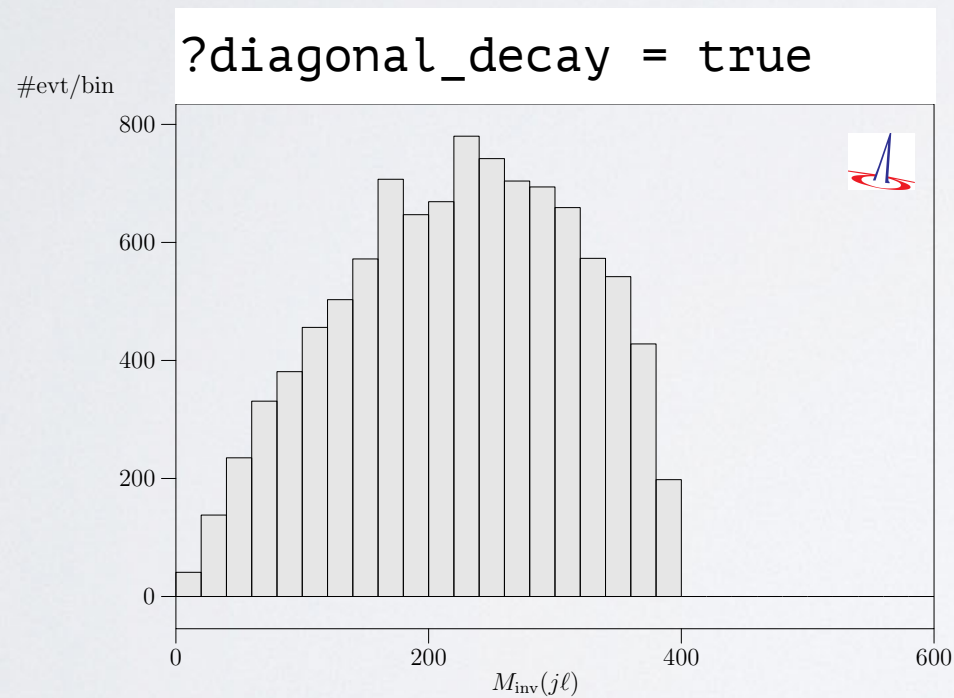
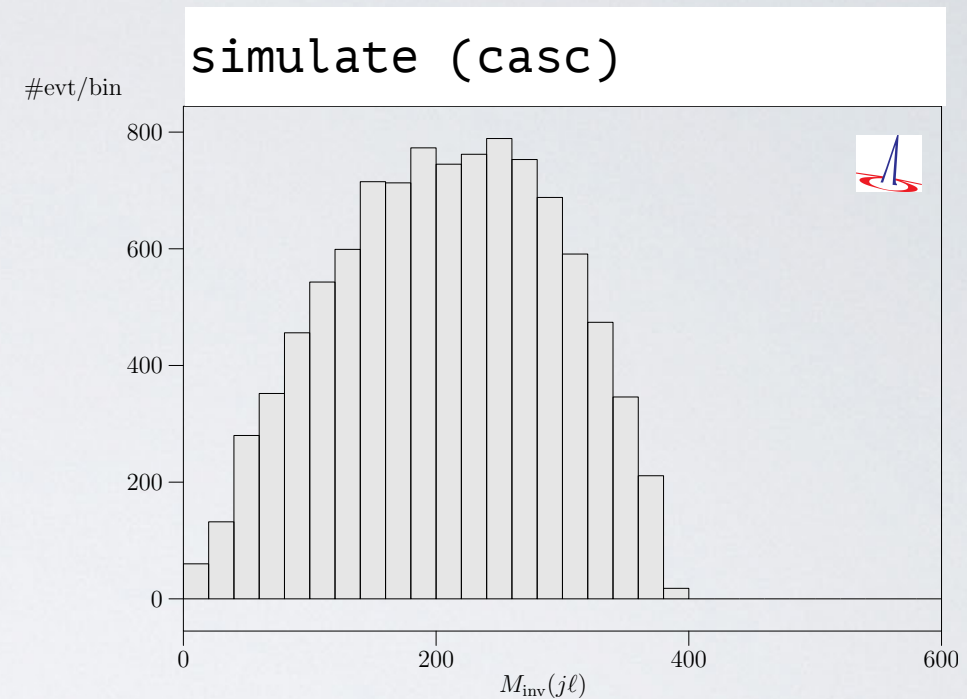
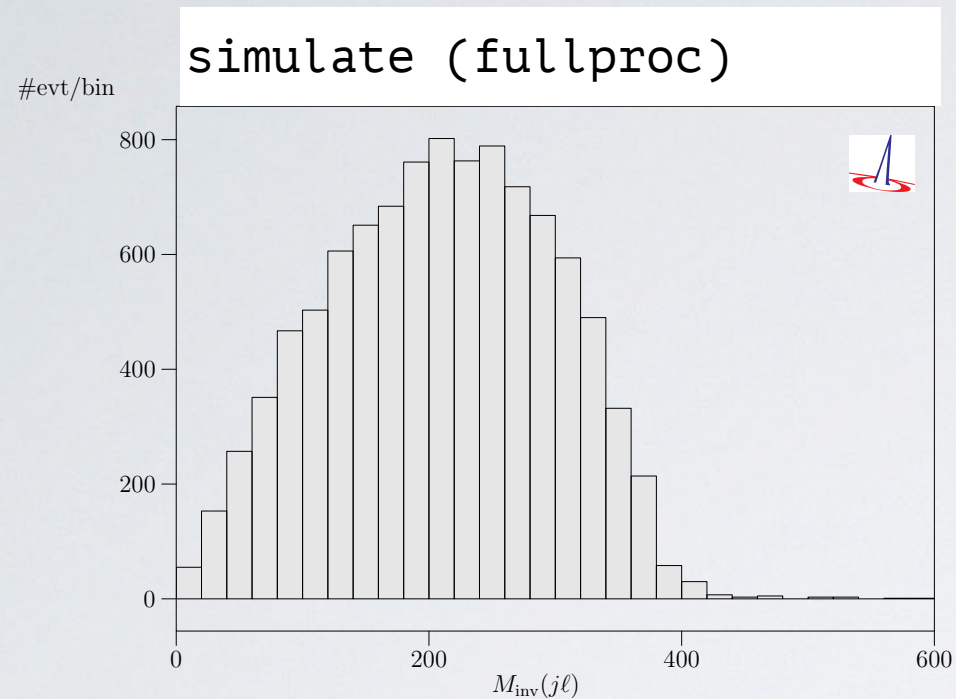
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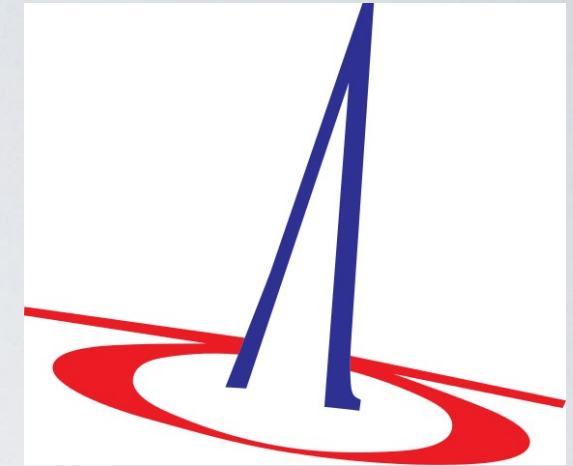
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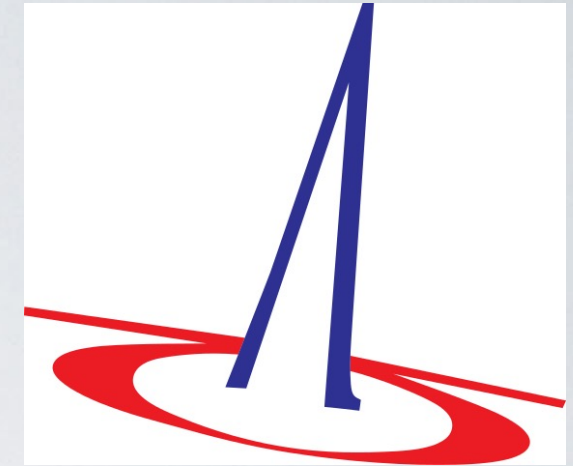






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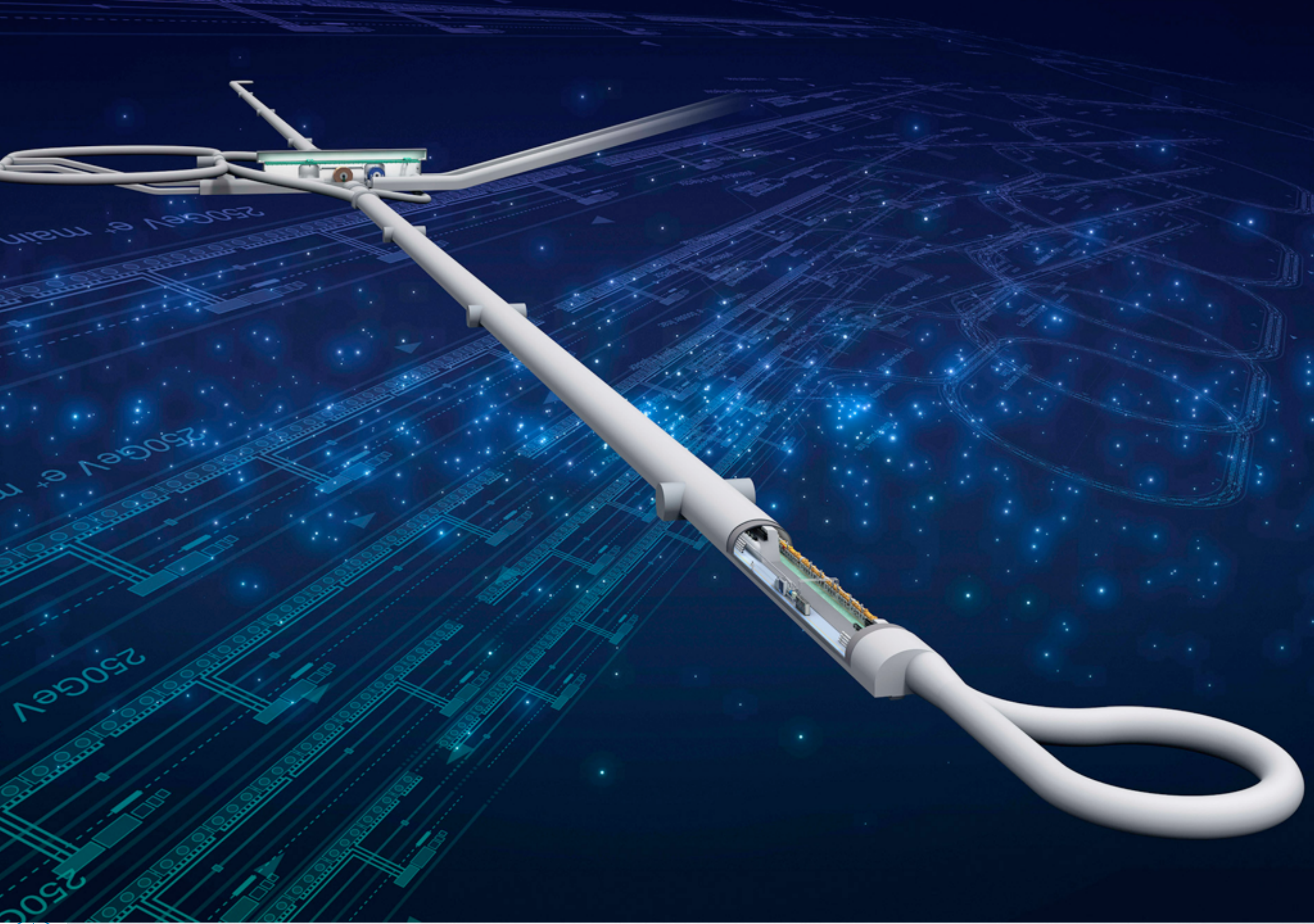




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