

How should we plot jet observables?

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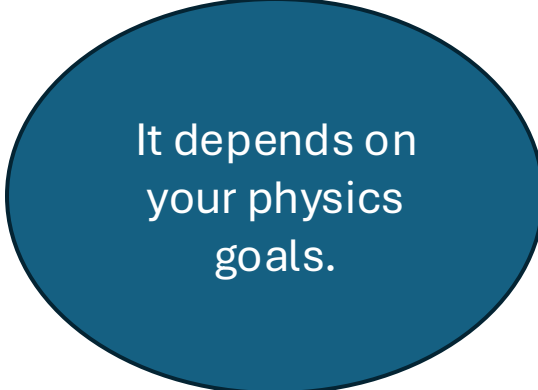
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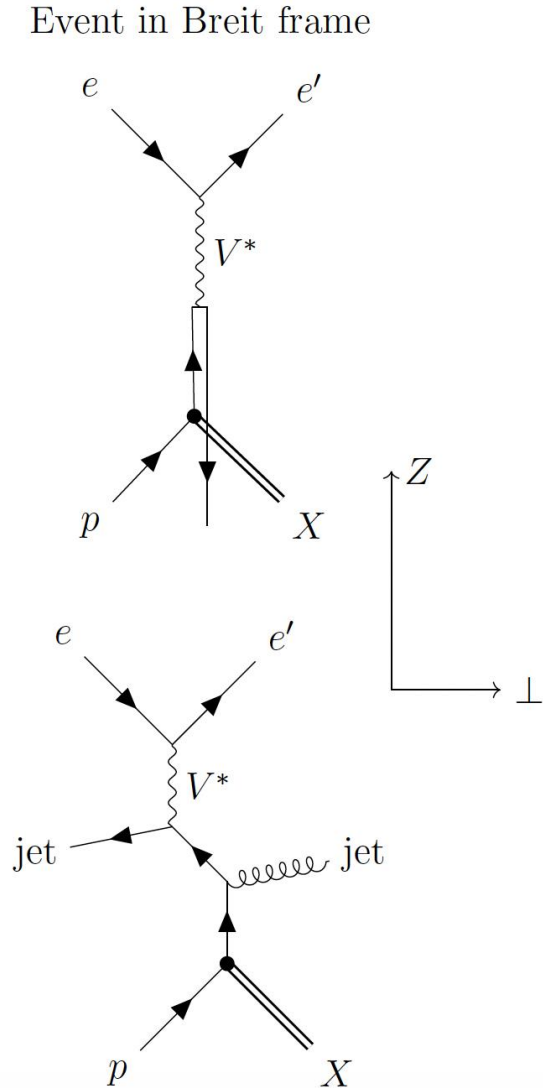
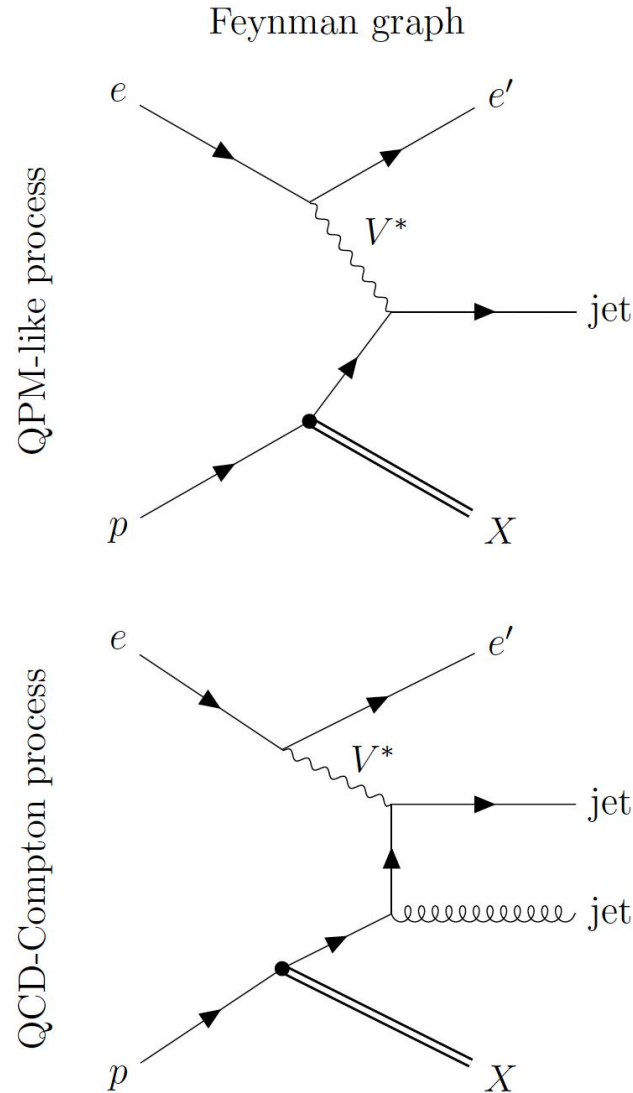


It depends on
your physics
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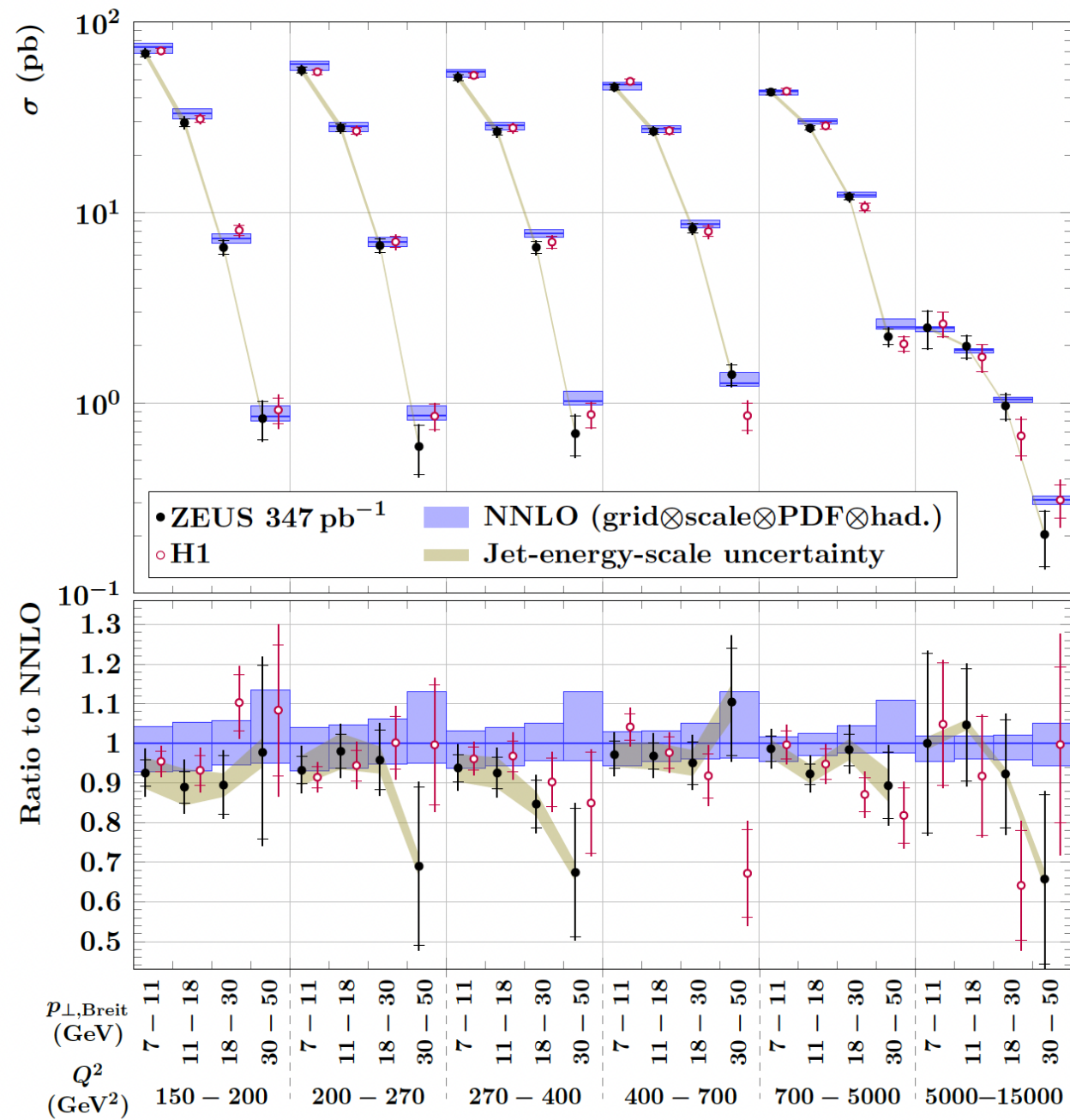
Inclusive jet X-sec with ZEUS @ HERA

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- Proton PDFs (gluon) and extraction of α_s .
Theoretical predictions available at NNLO.
- NC DIS with e detected
- Jet reconstruction in Breit frame, where exchanged virtual boson is collinear with colliding parton. Allows for clear separation of beam fragmentation and hard jets and suppression of QPM-like processes, which are 0th order in α_s
- All energy deposits assigned $M = 0$ and boosted to Breit frame. Reconstruct with k_t algorithm with $R = 1$ and p_T weighted recombination scheme
- Cuts were placed in both Breit and lab frame
- Measured as a function of Q^2 and p_T^{Breit}



ZEUS



TSSA for inclusive jet production

[arXiv:2503.16119v1](https://arxiv.org/abs/2503.16119v1)

- Study origins of non-zero TSSAs within the twist-3 collinear factorization framework.
- Compare data to NLO predictions generated by 2 and 3-parton correlation functions in the initial state.
- $\ell N^\uparrow \rightarrow jet + X$. Several scenarios of q-g-q models are considered.
- Fix jet p_T^{Lab} and plot as a function of η^{Lab}

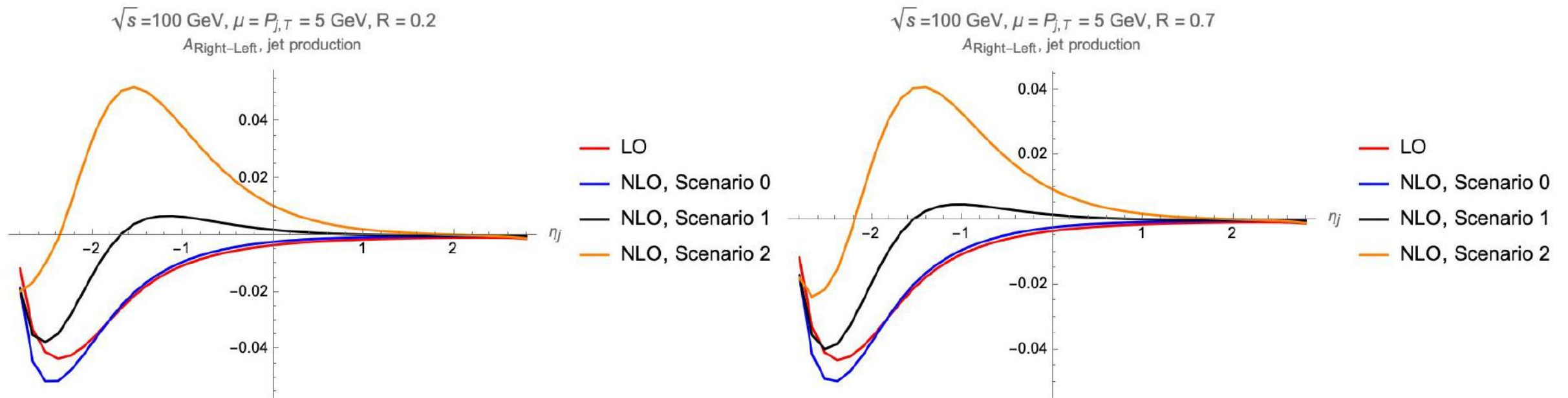
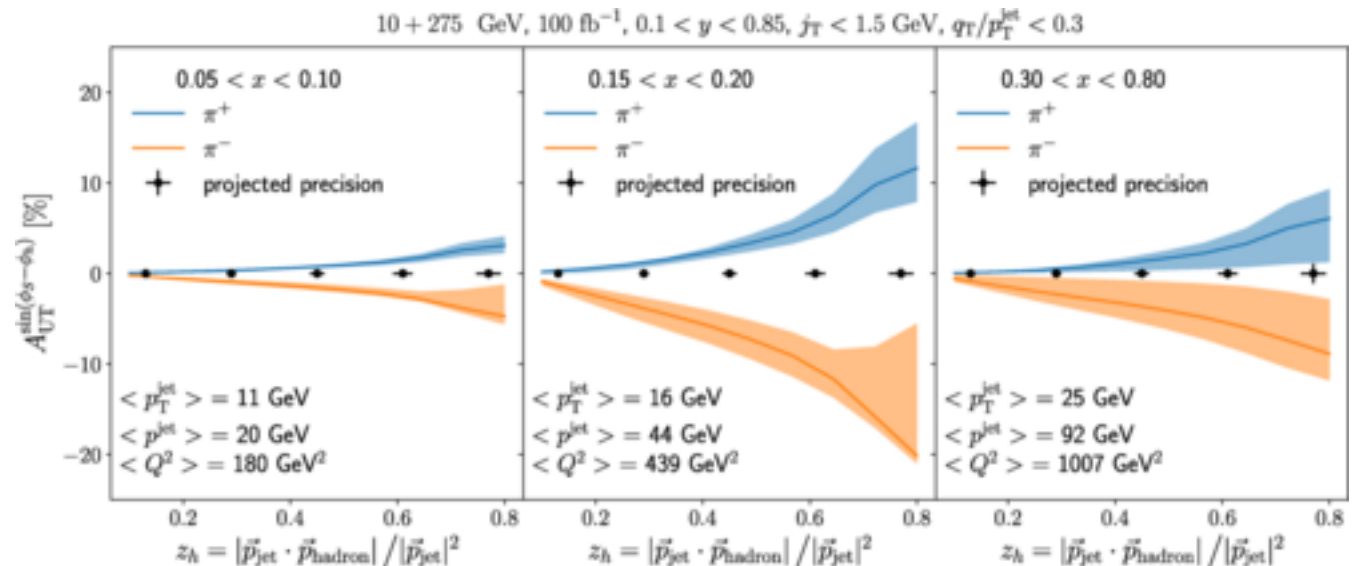
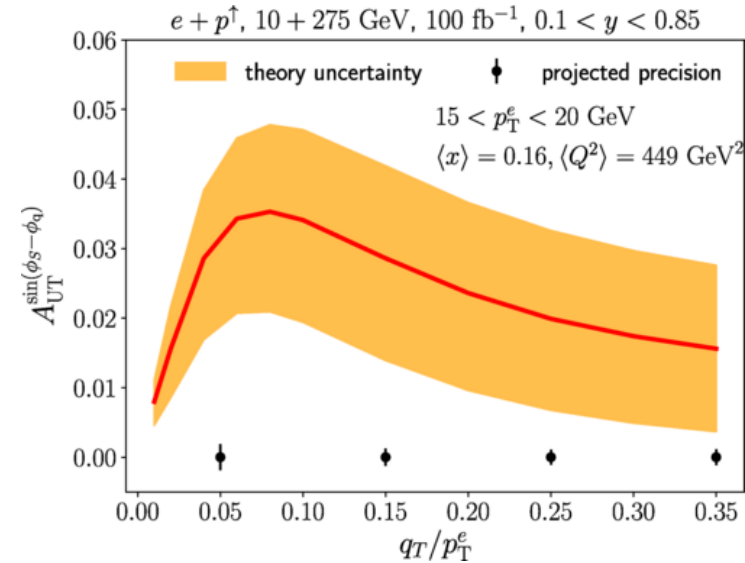


FIG. 22: Comparison of the NLO asymmetries A_{RL} computed for **Scenarios** 0,1,2. The asymmetries are again plotted vs. the jet's pseudorapidity η_j for jet cone radii $R = 0.2$ (**left**) and $R = 0.7$ (**right**).

Hadron-in-Jet Collins and Sivers Asymmetries

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- Isolate and study initial and final state TMDs
- back-to-back electron-jet production in the lab frame
- $\vec{q}_T$ transverse momentum imbalance between jet and scattered electron is sensitive to TMD PDFs. *Seems natural to plot in q_T, x and Q^2 ?*
- $\vec{j}_T$ transverse momentum of hadrons with respect to the jet axis is sensitive to the TMD FFs. *Seems natural to plot in j_T, z and Q^2 ?*



Imaging Cold Nuclear Matter with EECs

arXiv : 2303.08143

- Imaging of hadronization and nuclear medium modification effects
- Plot 2-point EECs as a function of opening angle between hadrons in jets
- Directly related to formation distance τ which is inversely proportional to the jet p_T^{Lab}
- Measurement is a function of p_T^{lab} and θ

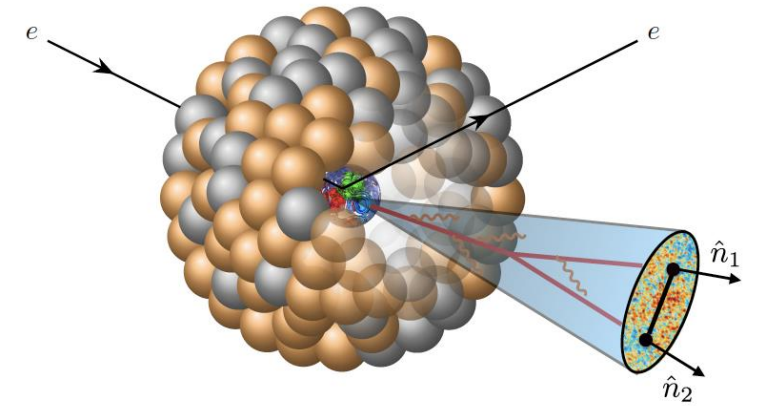
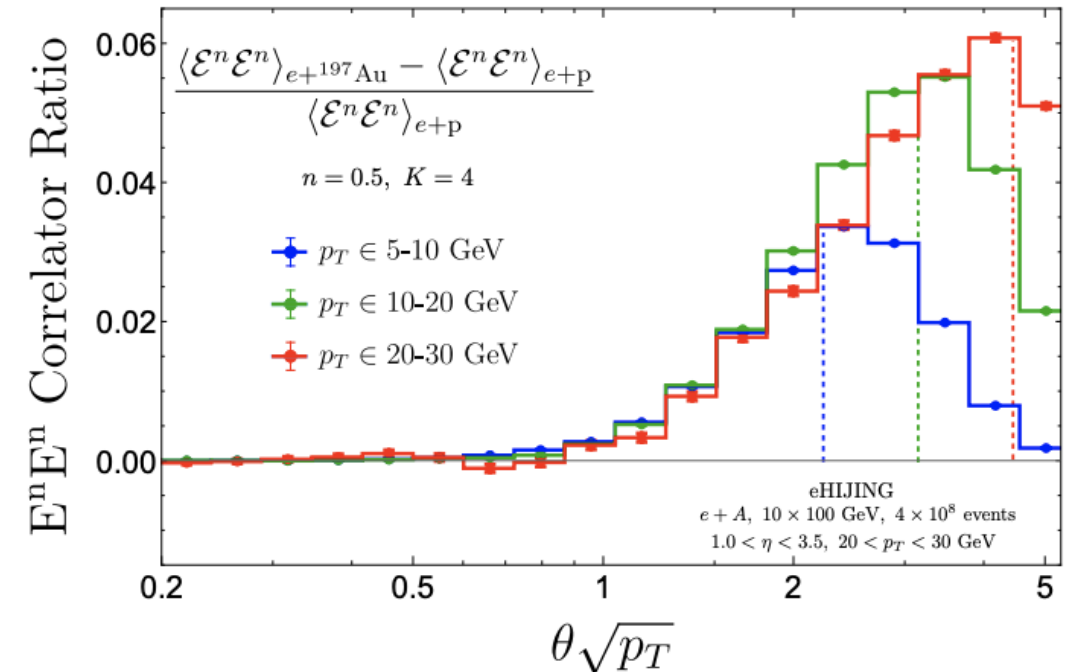


FIG. 1. A parton knocked out of a nucleon propagates a distance $\tau \sim 1/p_T \theta^2$, thereby directly imprinting nuclear time scales into angular scales of the two-point correlator in jet substructure.



Jets @ the EIC

- Discussed 4 examples of jet observables at the EIC
- Optimal kinematic variables changed with example
 1. Q^2, p_T^{Breit}
 2. $p_T^{\text{lab}}, \eta^{\text{lab}}$
 3. q_T, x_B, Q^2 and z, j_T, Q^2
 4. p_T^{lab} and θ
- As always, in the end we need to choose according to the physics
.. And through discussions with our theory friends.