

The LHC Run II top quark legacy on global PDF and SMEFT analyses

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PBSP: Physics Beyond the Standard Proton

- The **PBSP group** is based at the **University of Cambridge**, and is headed by **Maria Ubiali**; the project is **ERC-funded**.
- The aim is to **investigate interplay between BSM physics and proton structure** - the subject of the rest of this talk!
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 - *PhD students*: Mark Costantini, Shayan Iranipour (*former*), Elie Hammou, **James Moore**, Manuel Morales Alvarado, Cameron Voisey (*former*)



Talk overview

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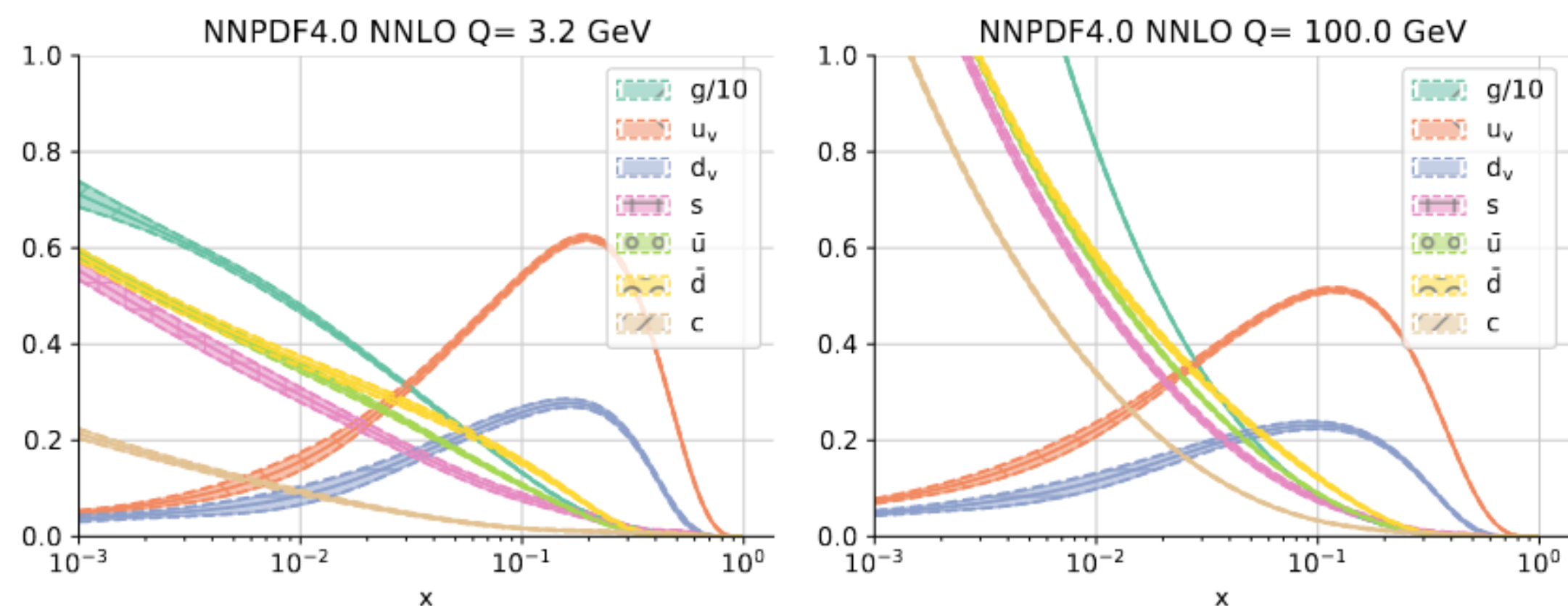
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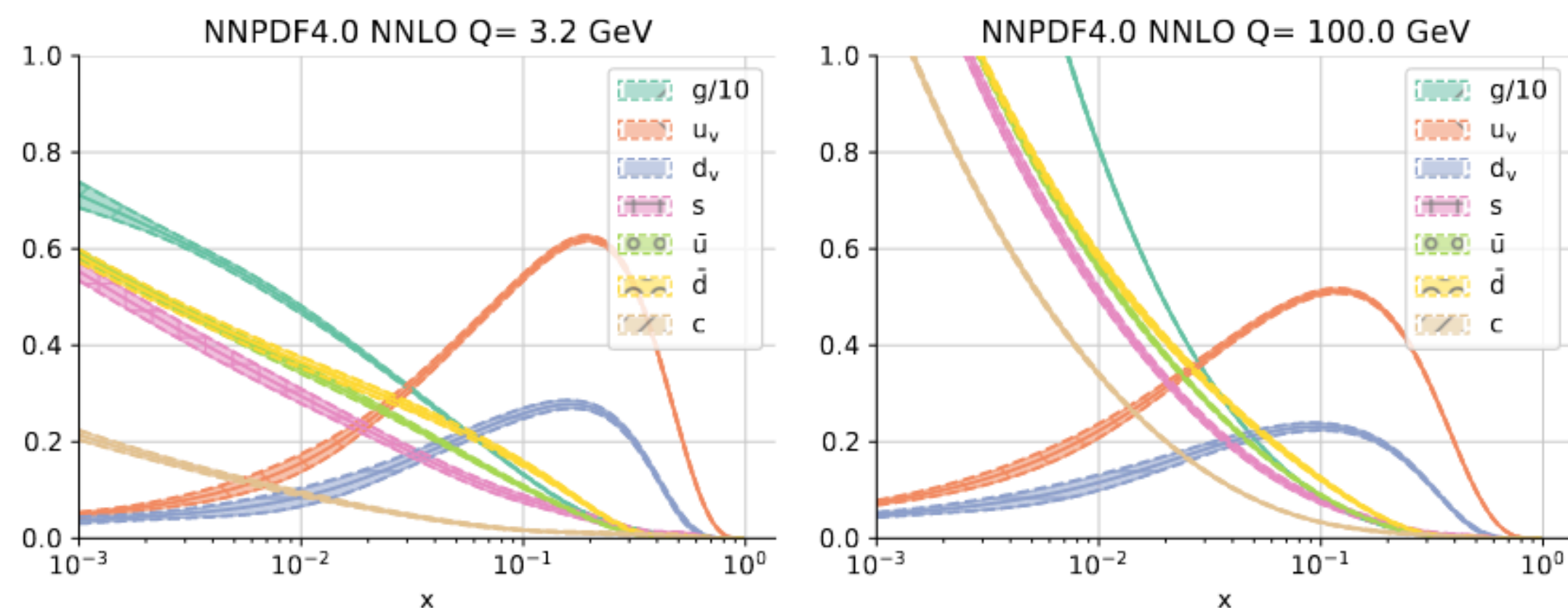
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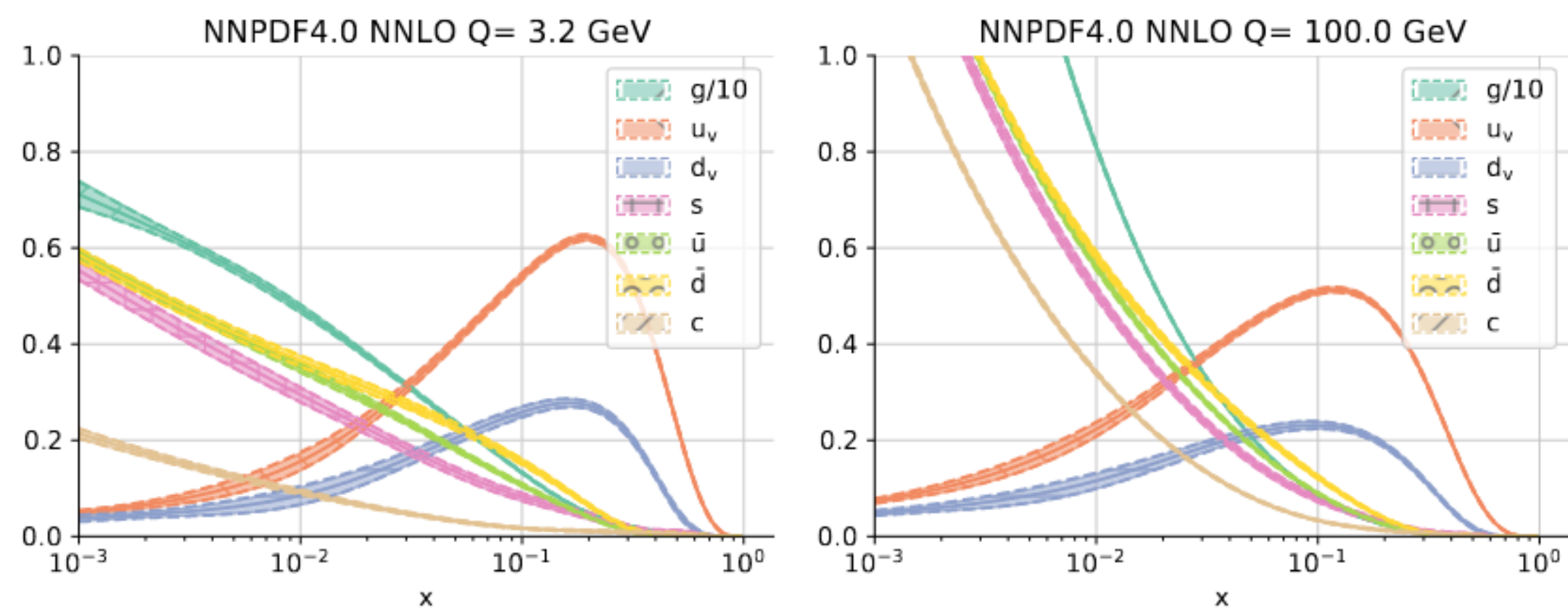
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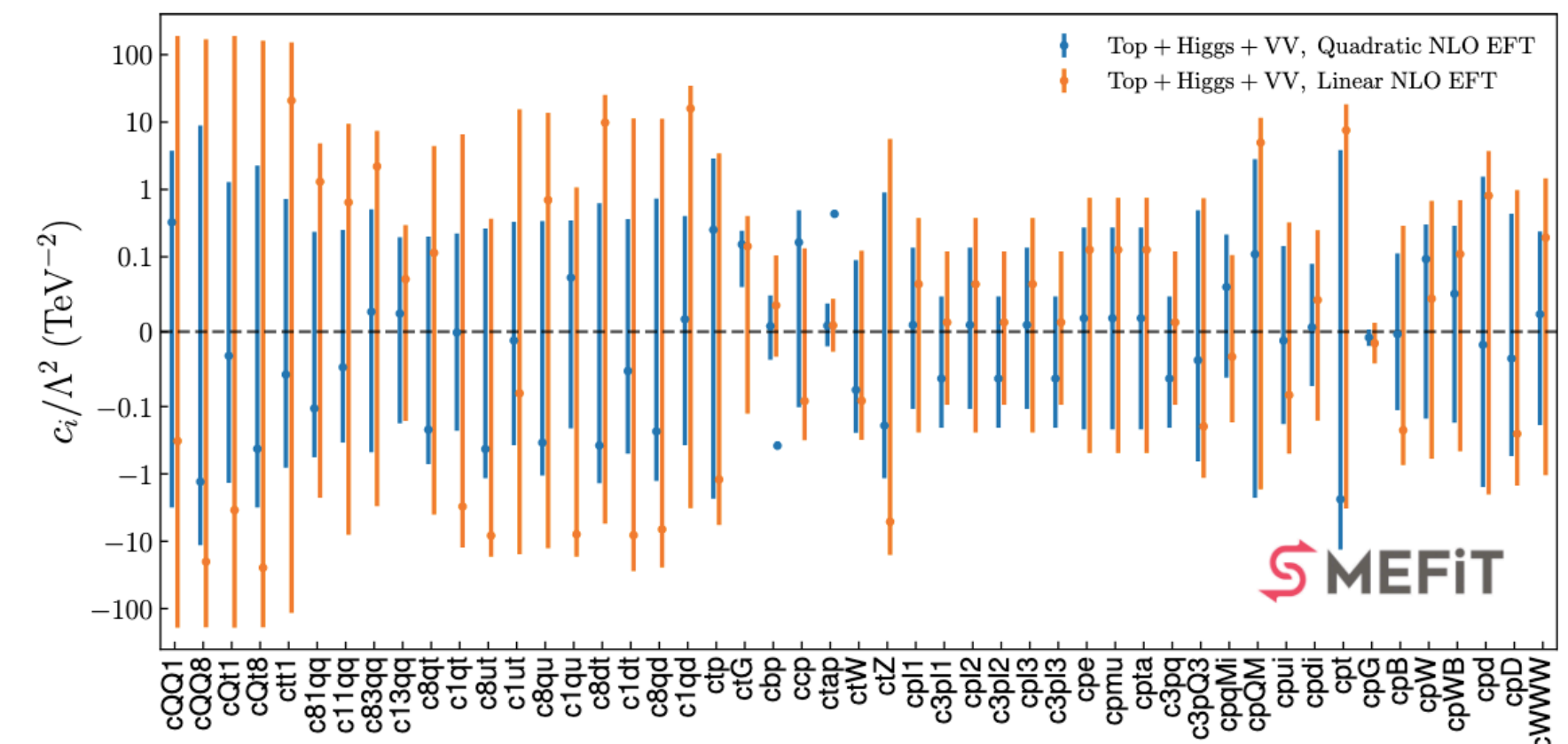


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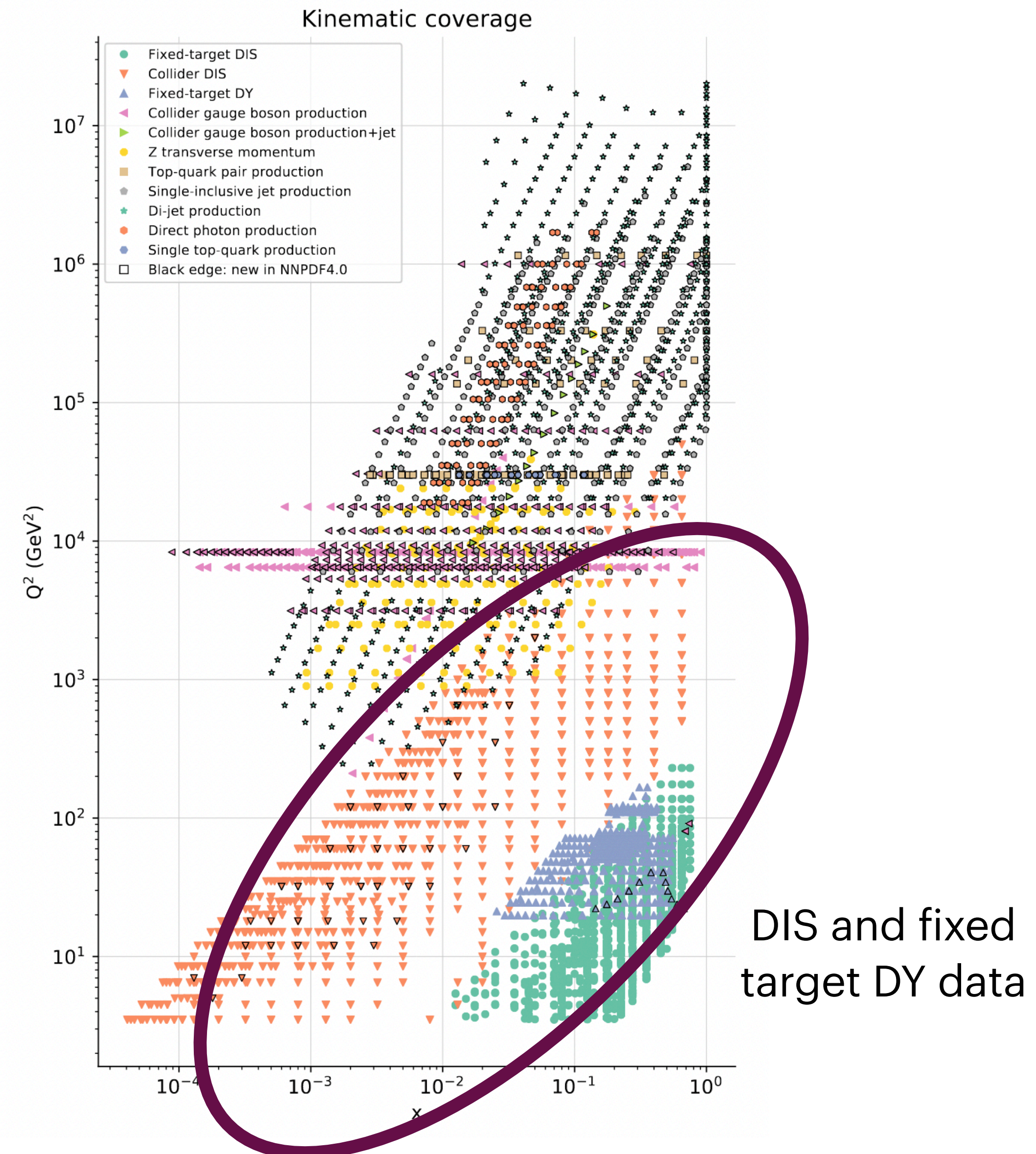
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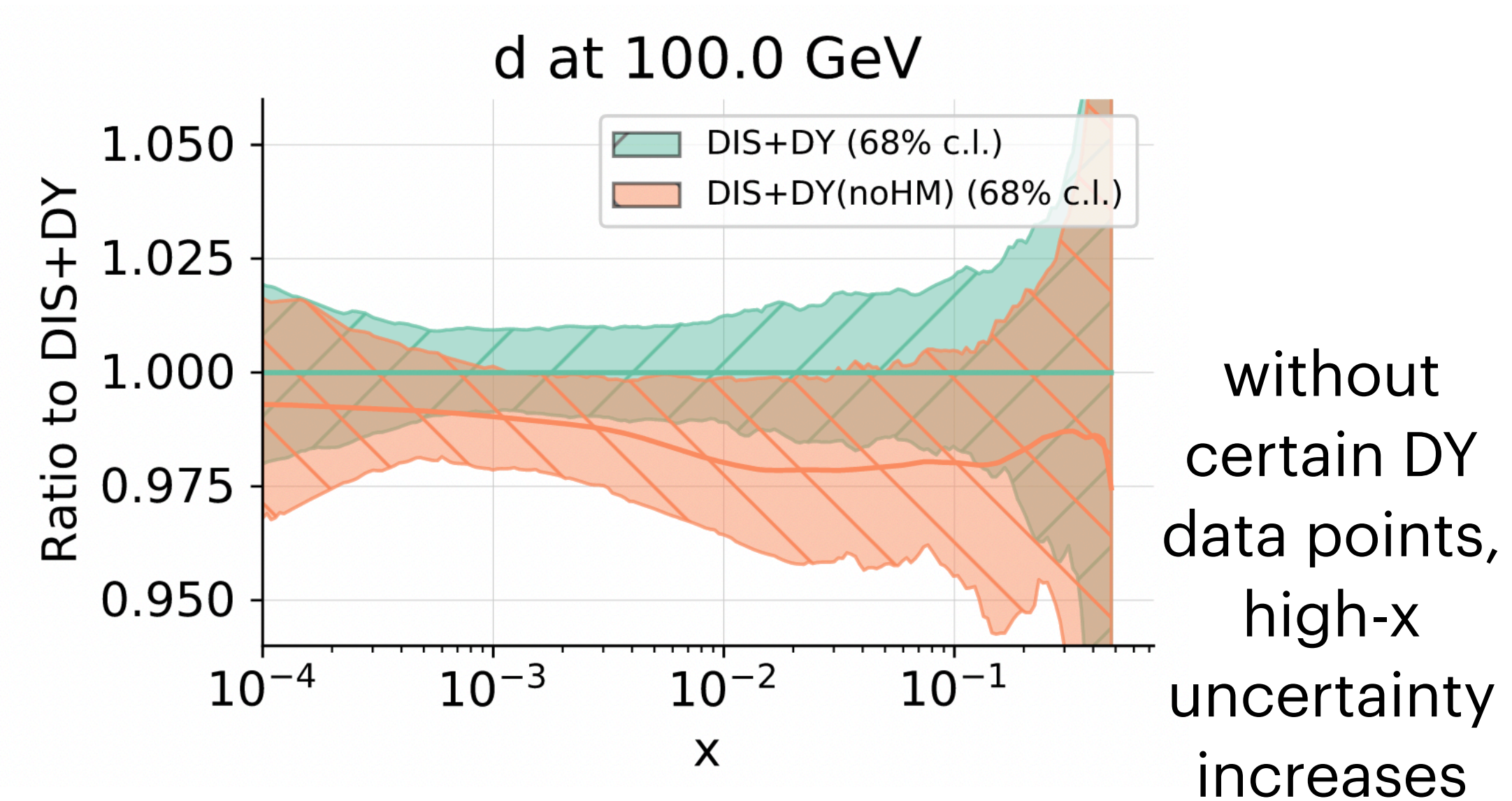
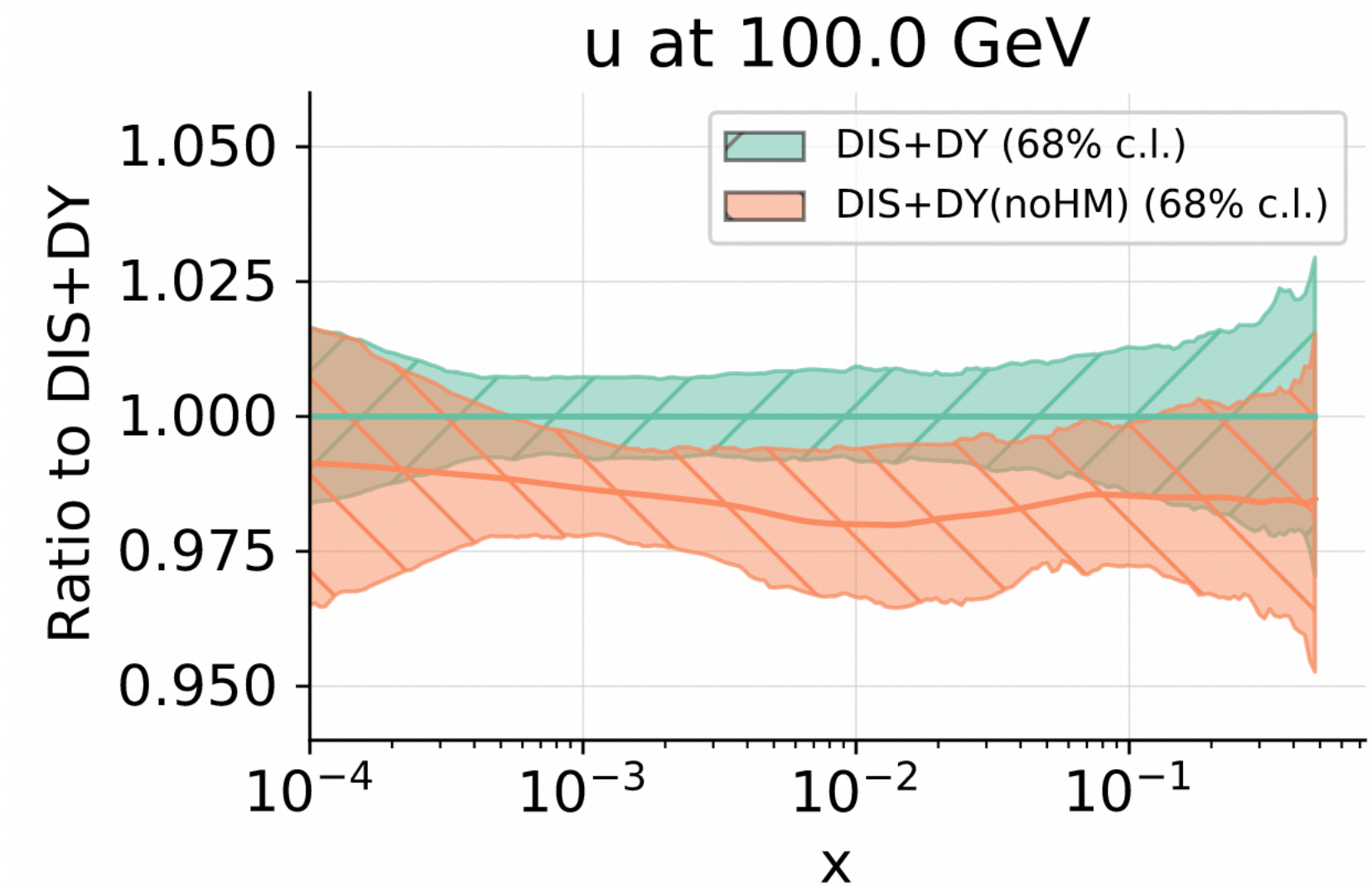
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 - Right: kinematic coverage of NNPDF4.0 by dataset.



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- Furthermore, if we include more data in a PDF fit, we obtain **better quality fits**. Therefore, we expect that using 'uncontaminated PDFs' will result in **poorer quality SMEFT fits**; we won't be using the 'best quality' PDFs that are available - this is shown explicitly in *Greljo et al., 2104.02723*, where PDF sets including and excluding high-mass DY data are compared.



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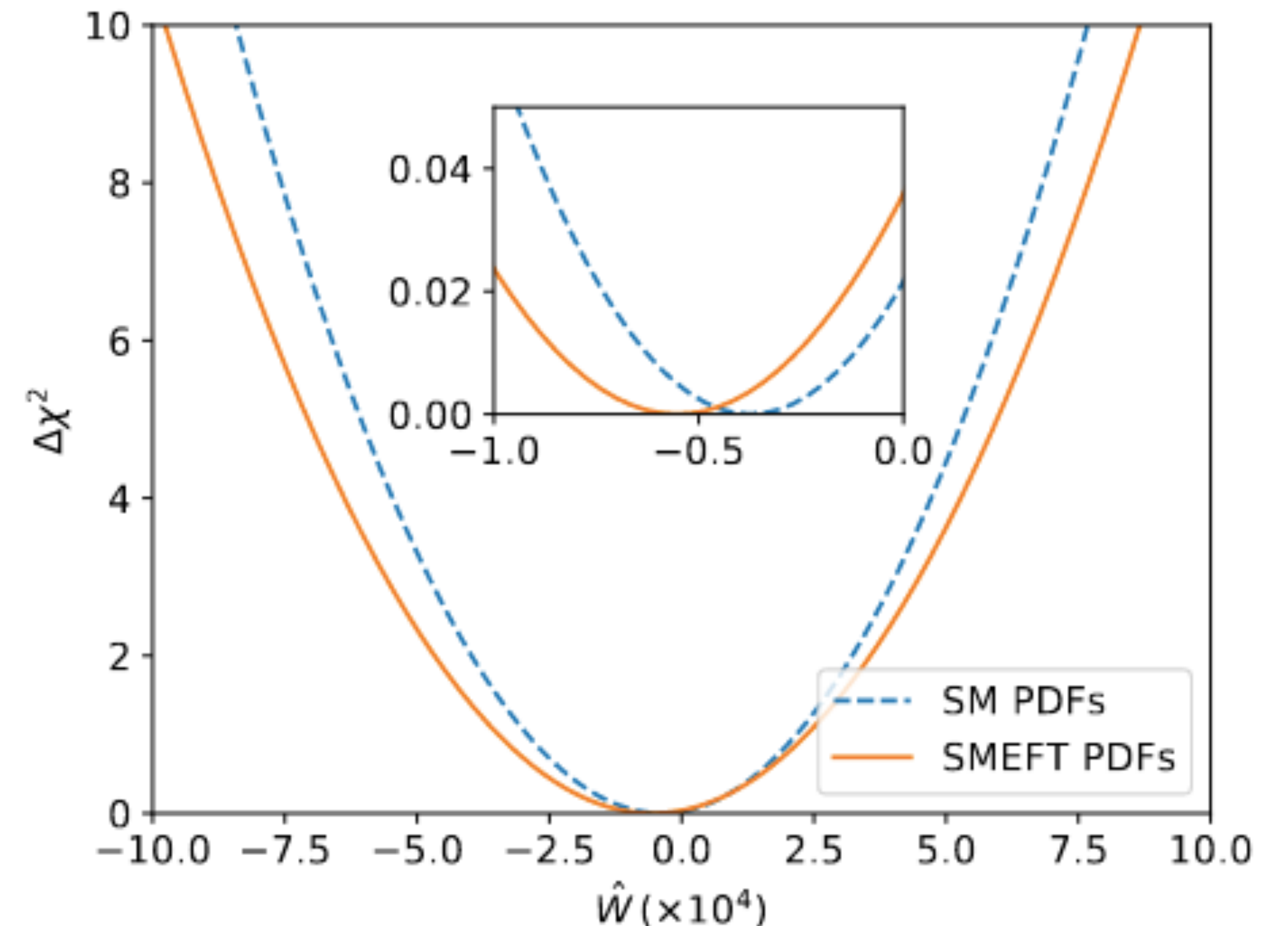
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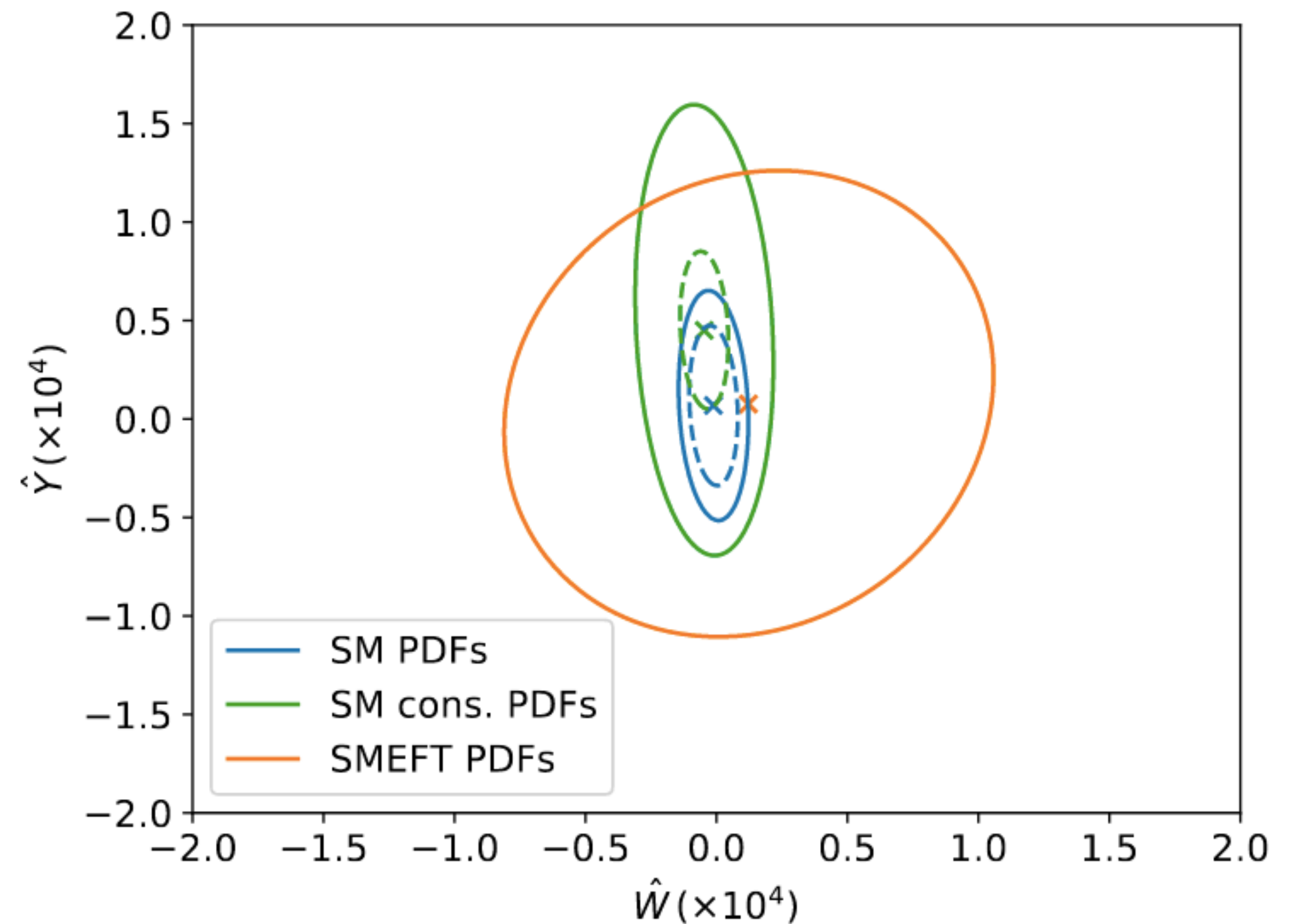
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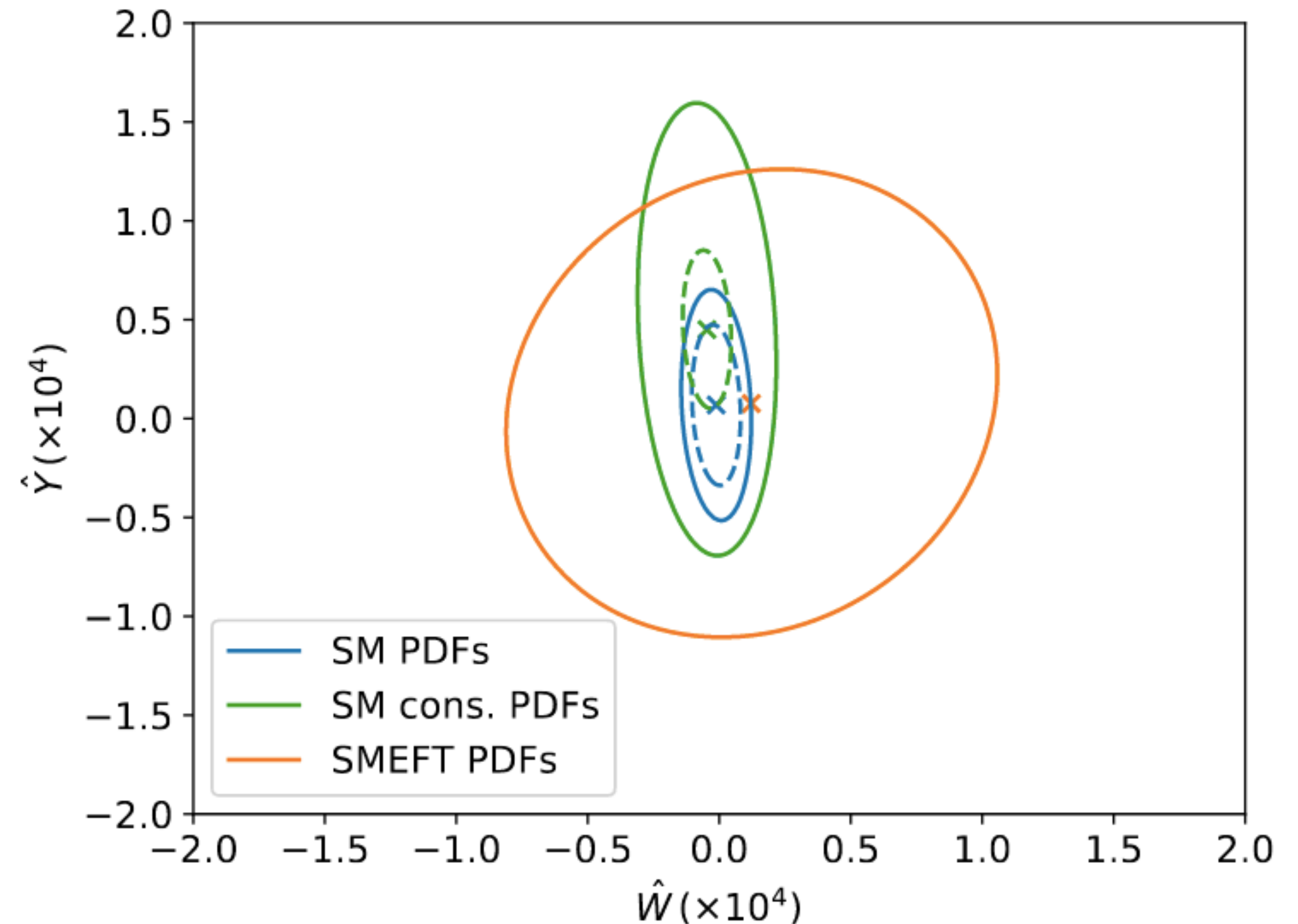
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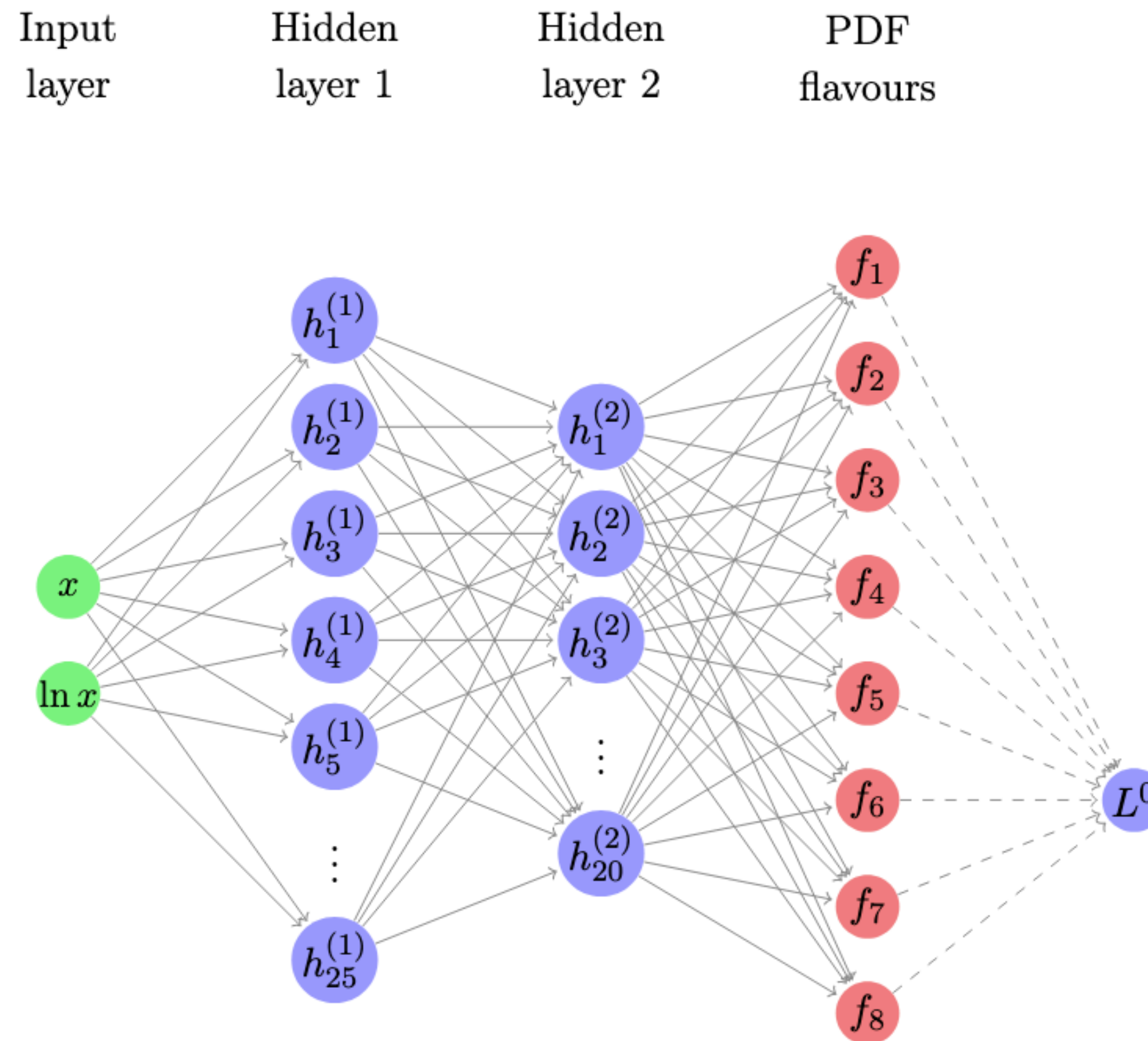
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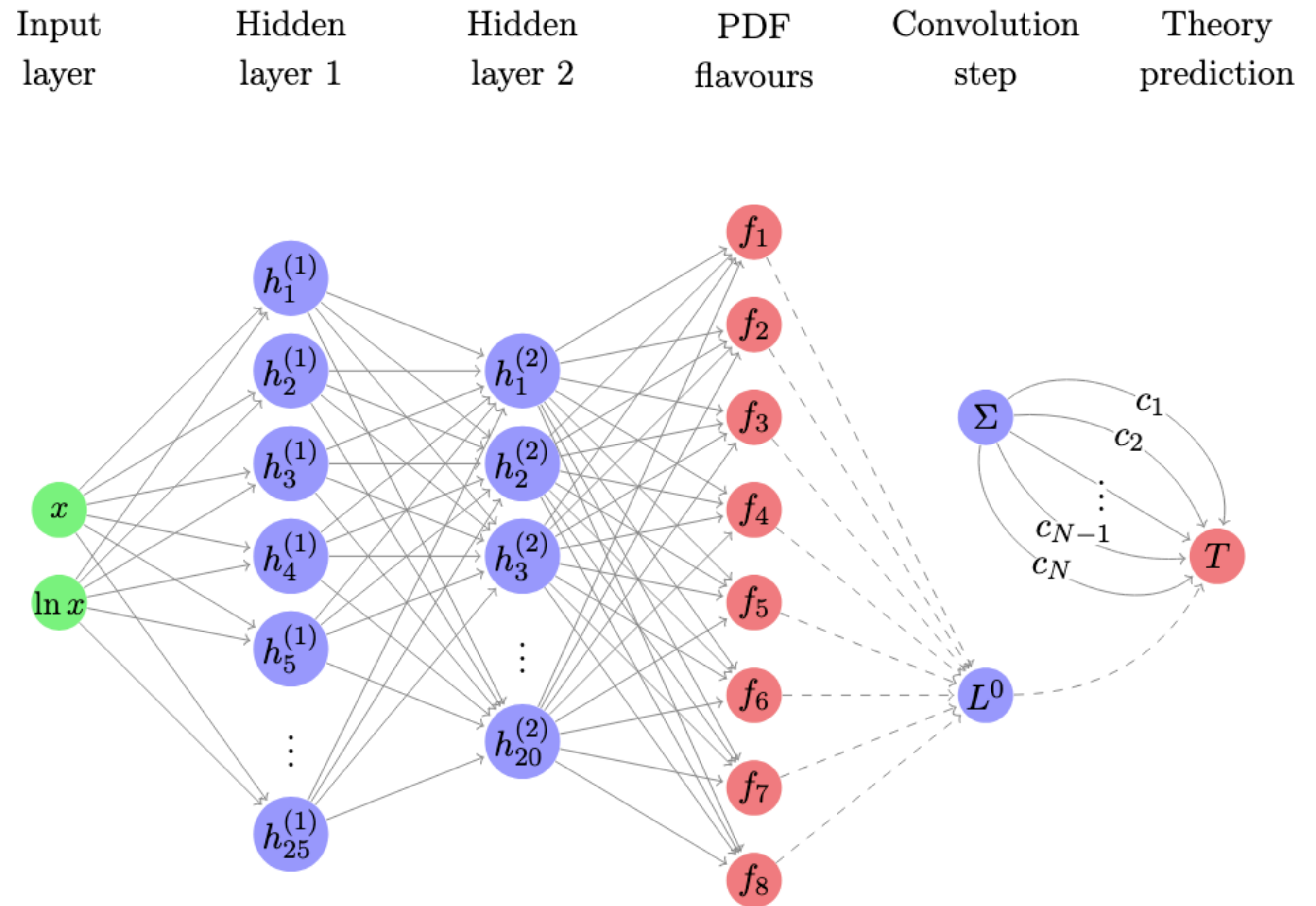
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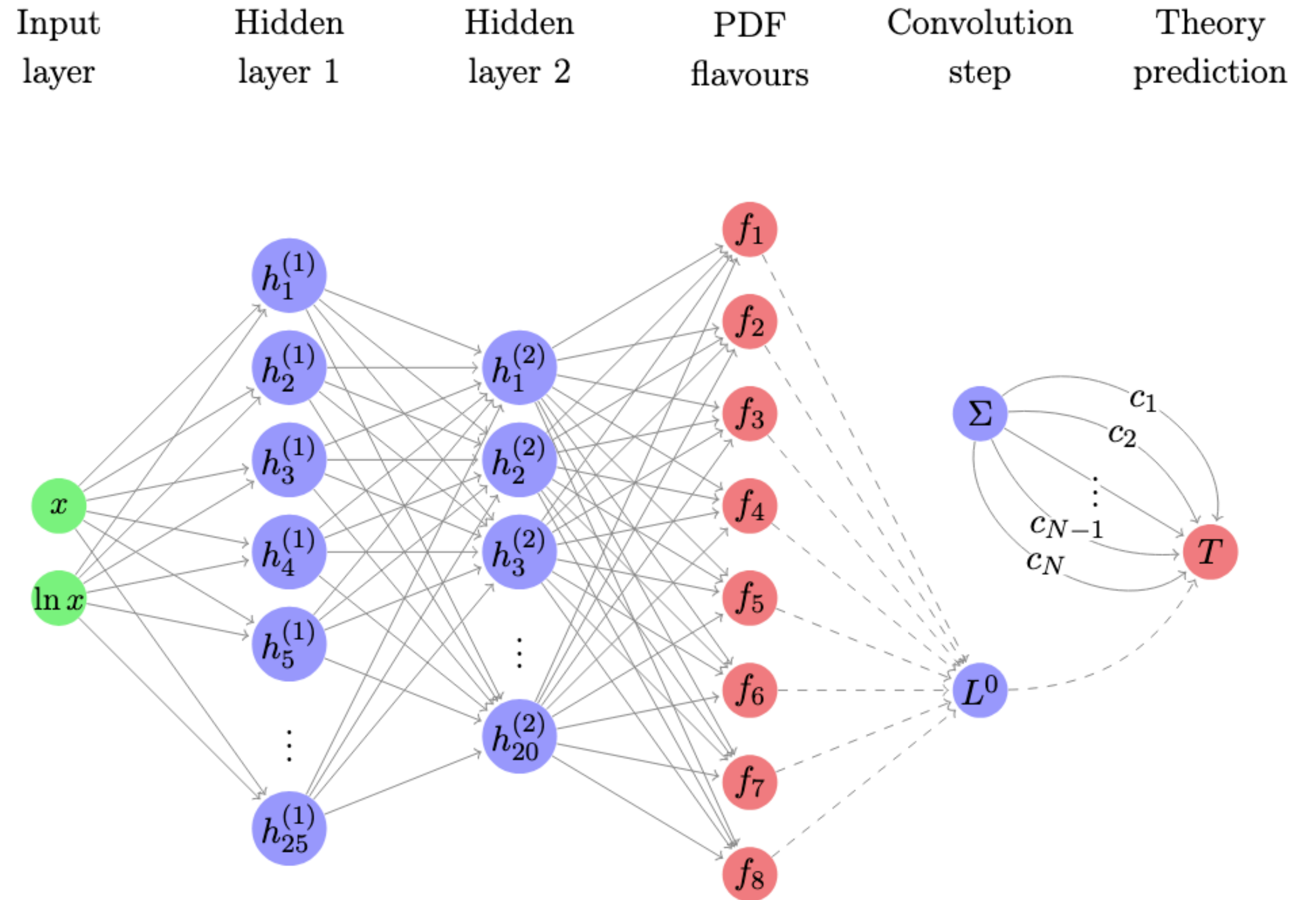
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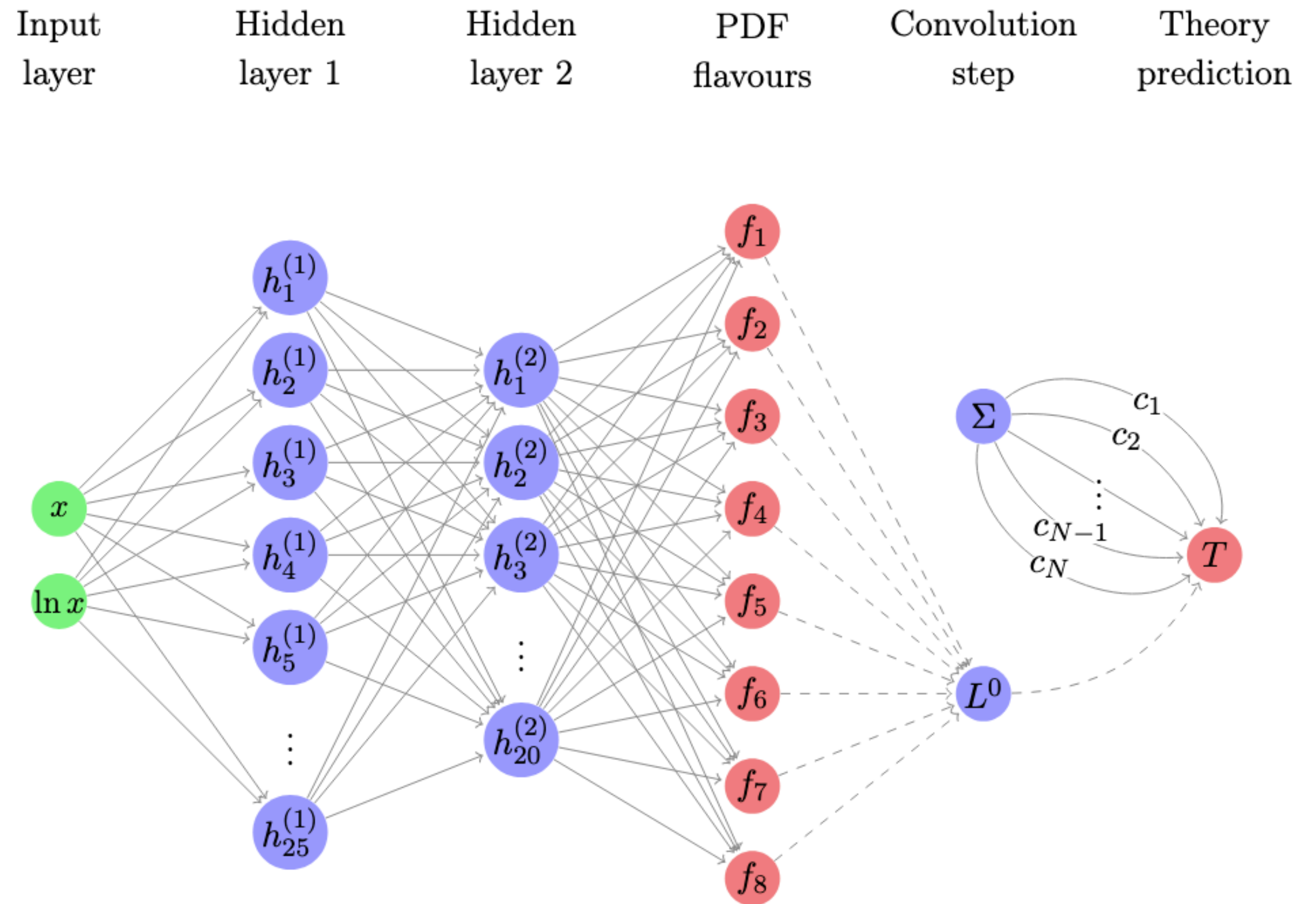
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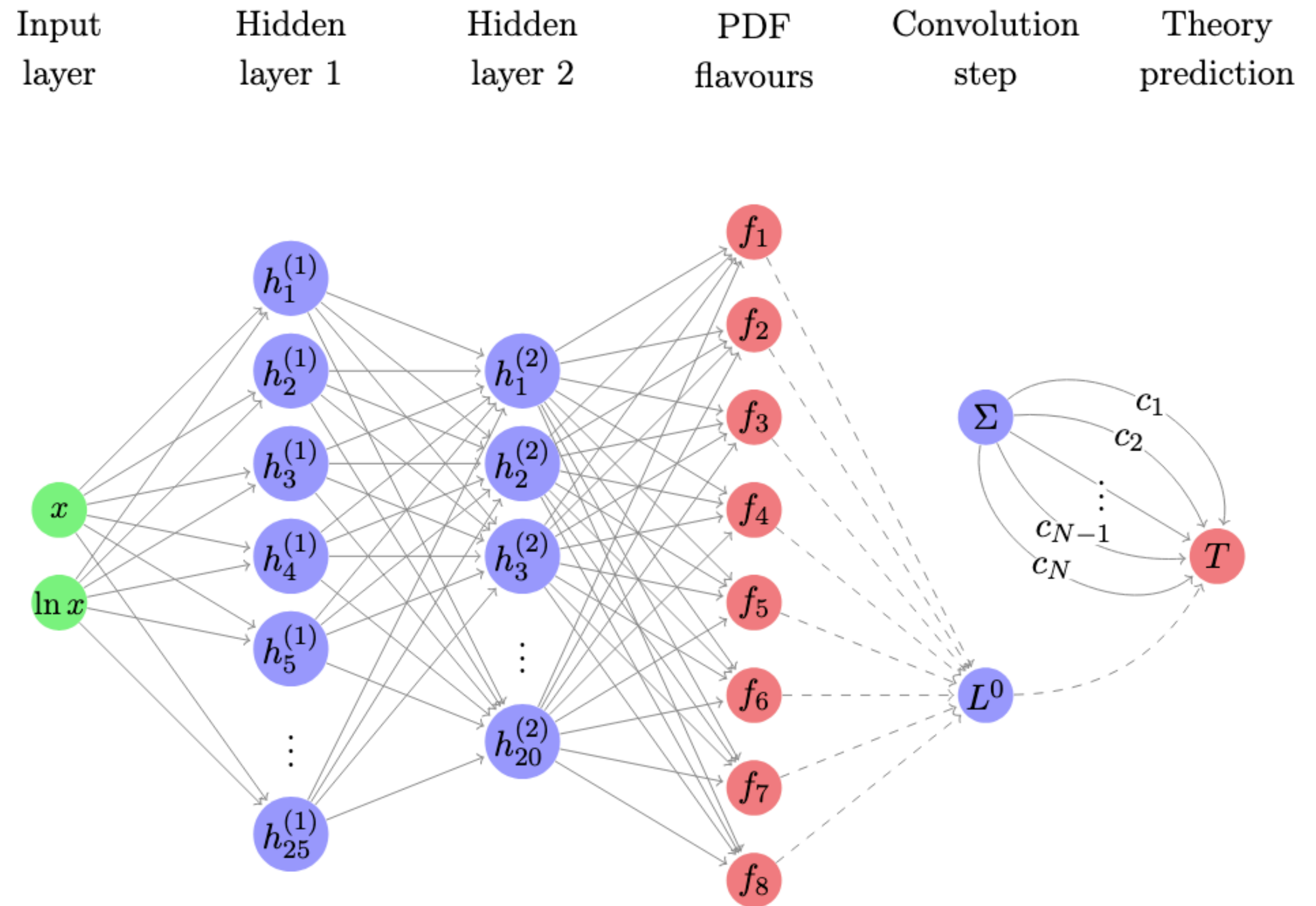
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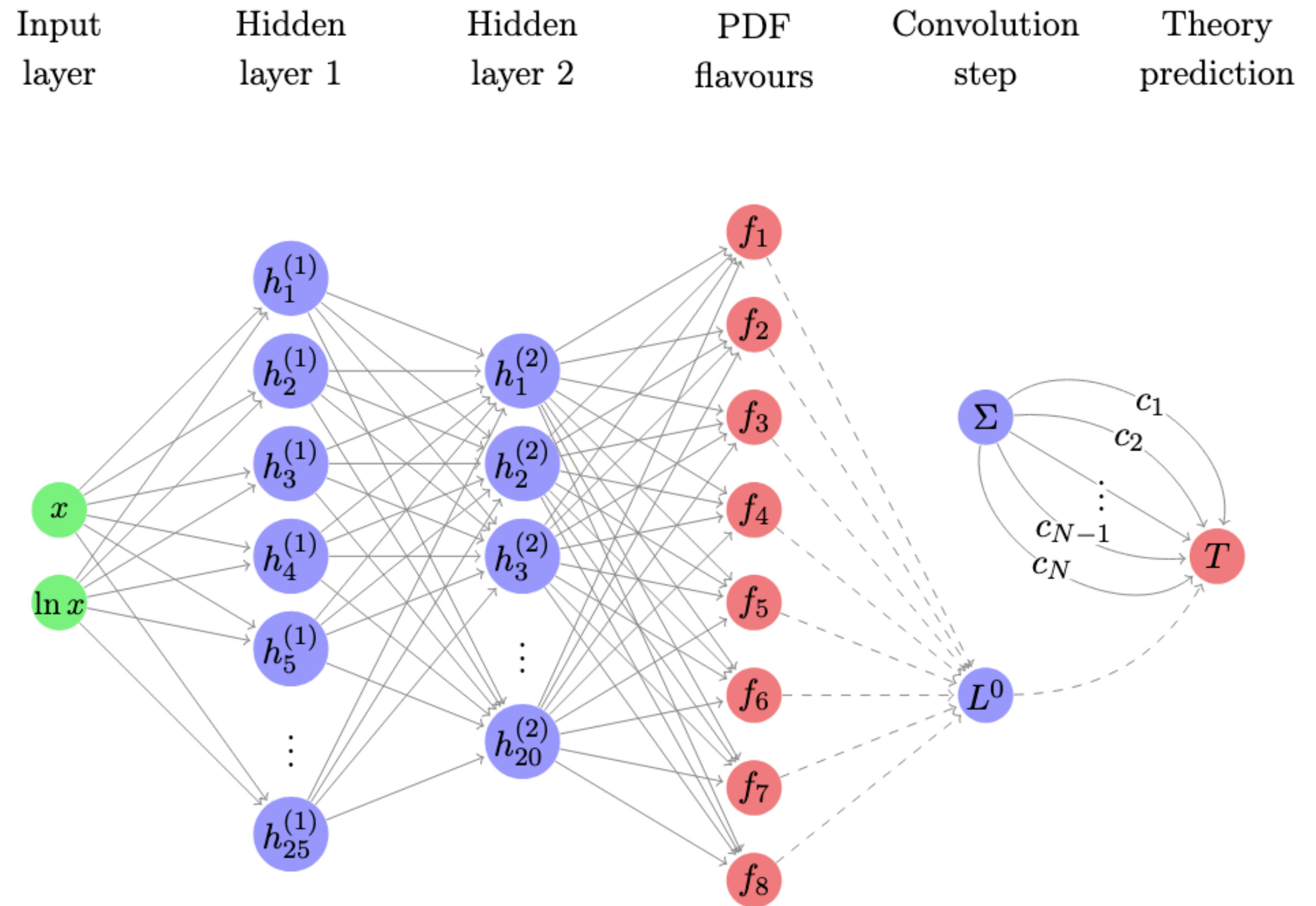
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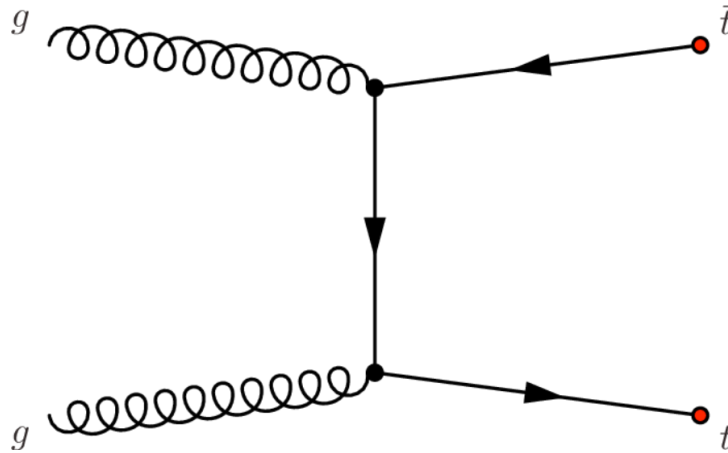
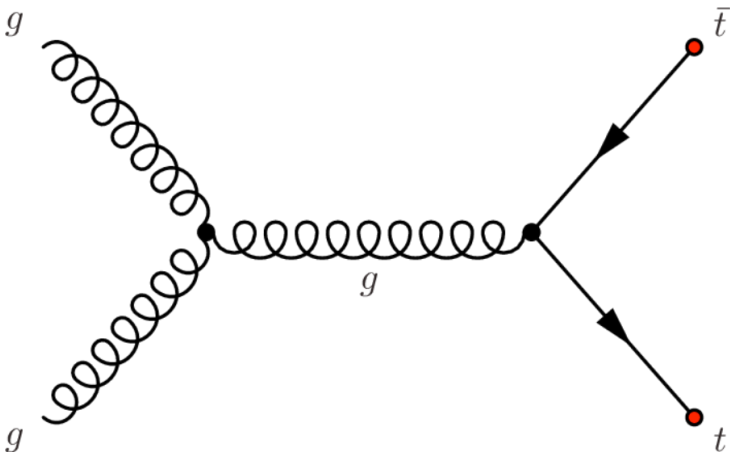
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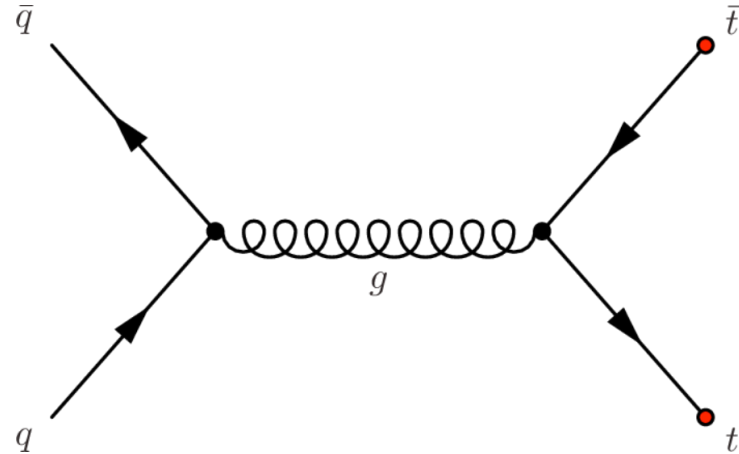
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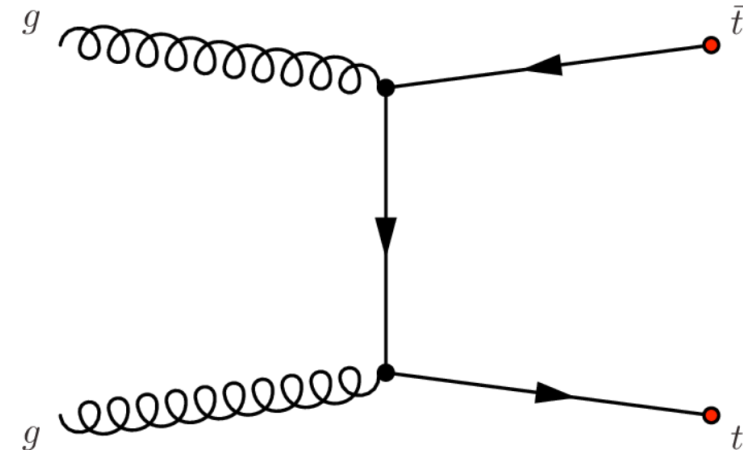
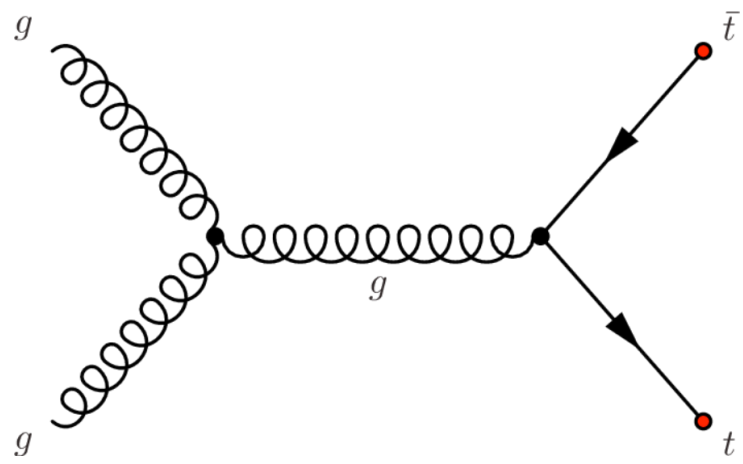


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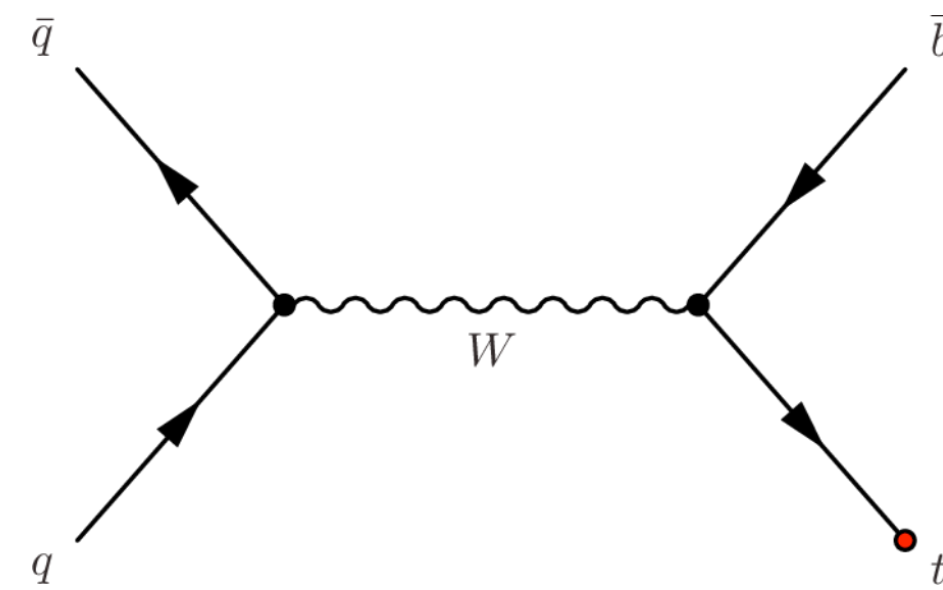
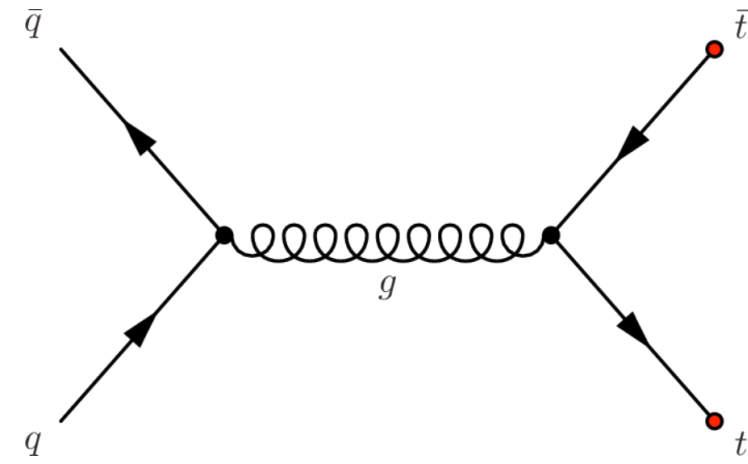


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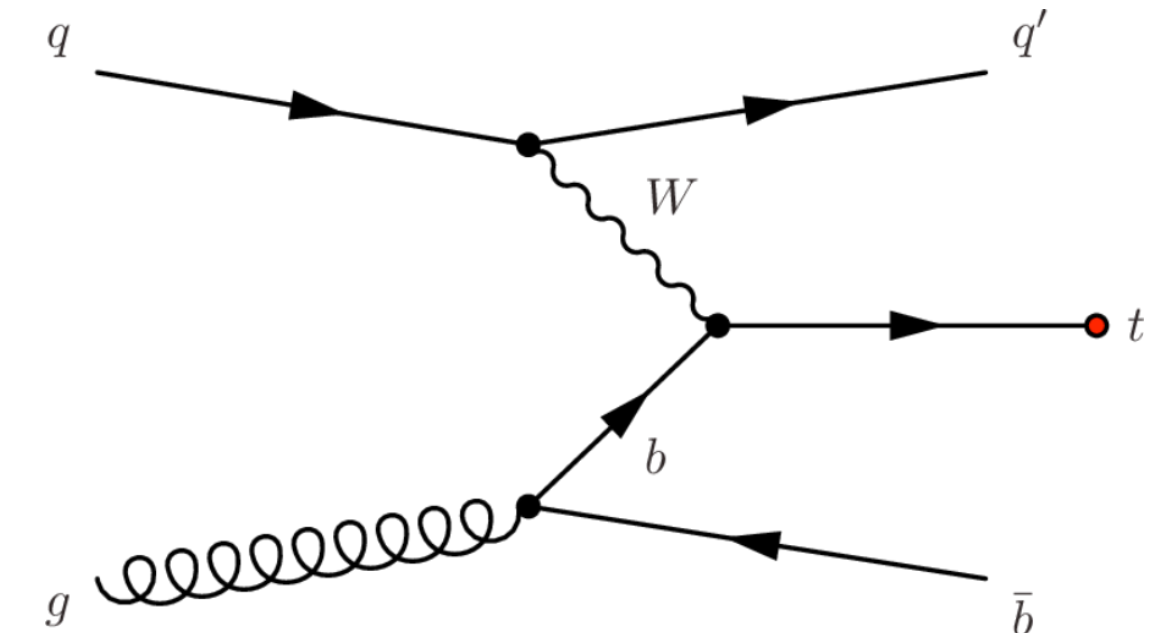
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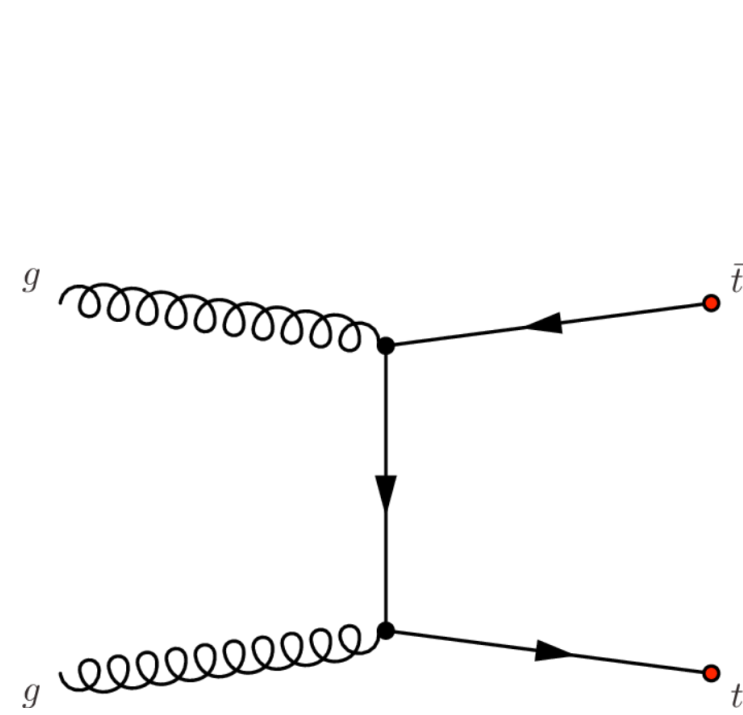
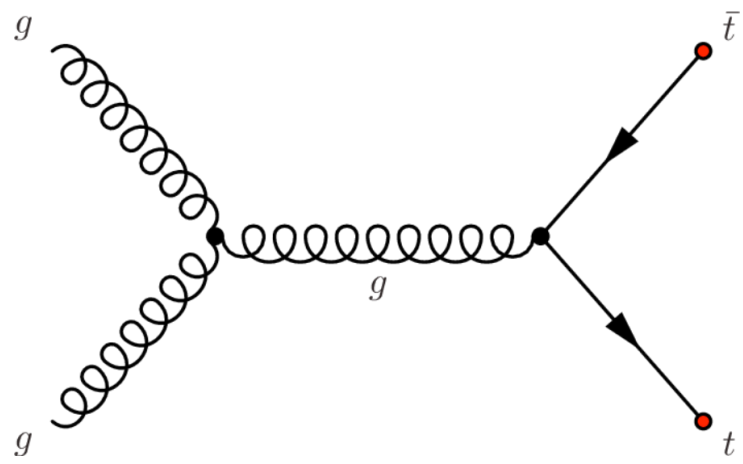


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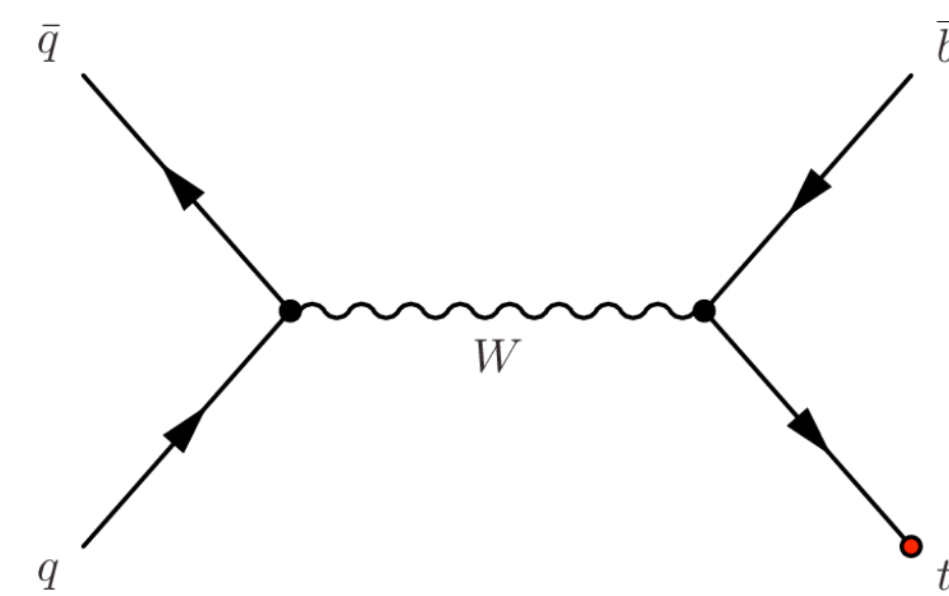
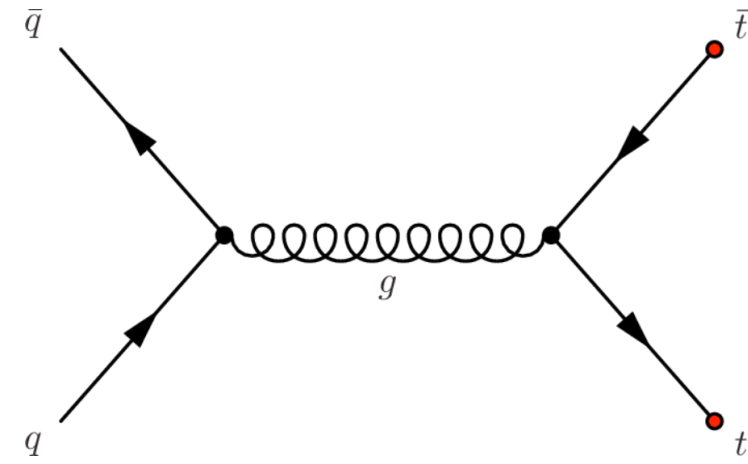
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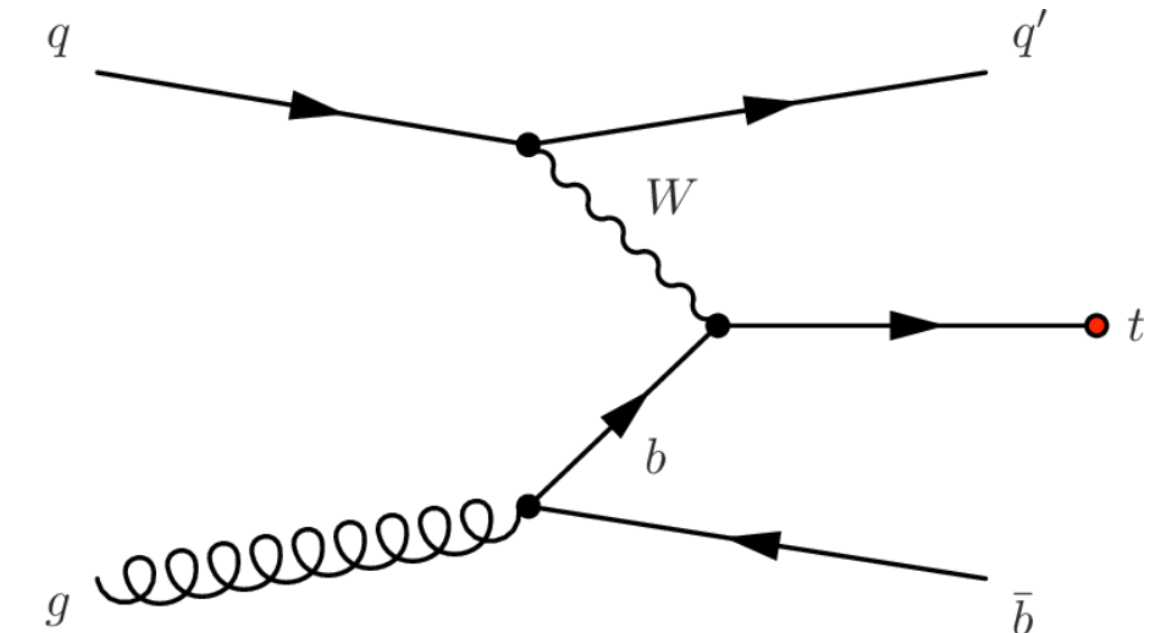
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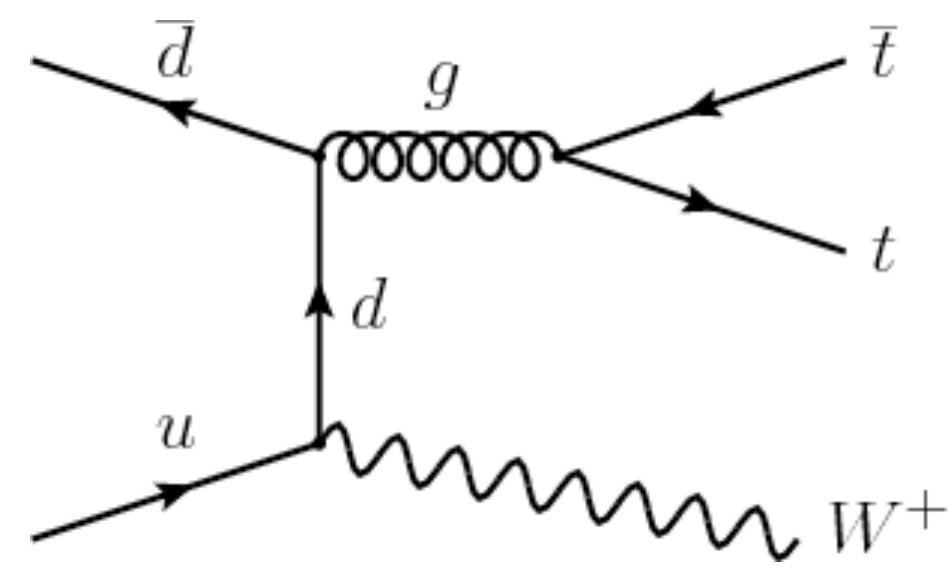
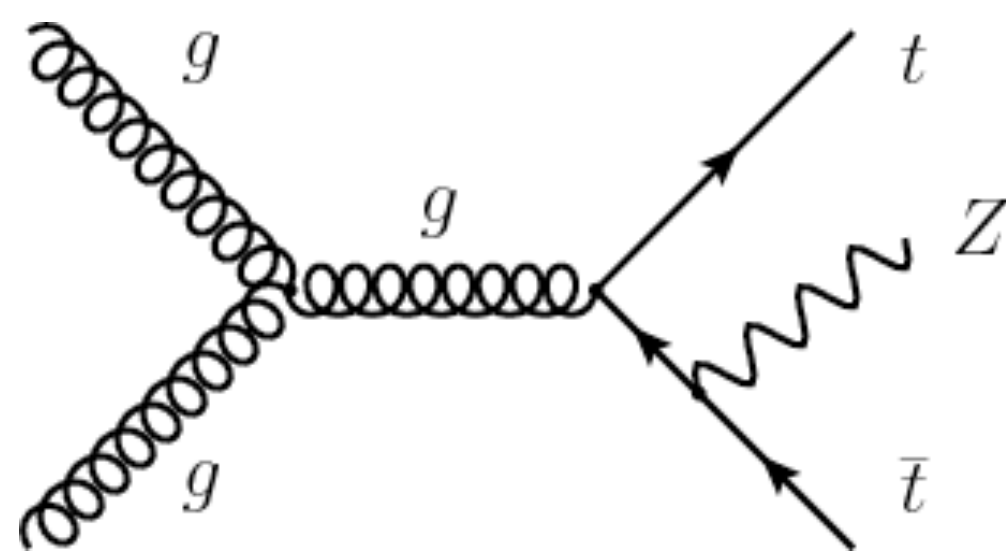


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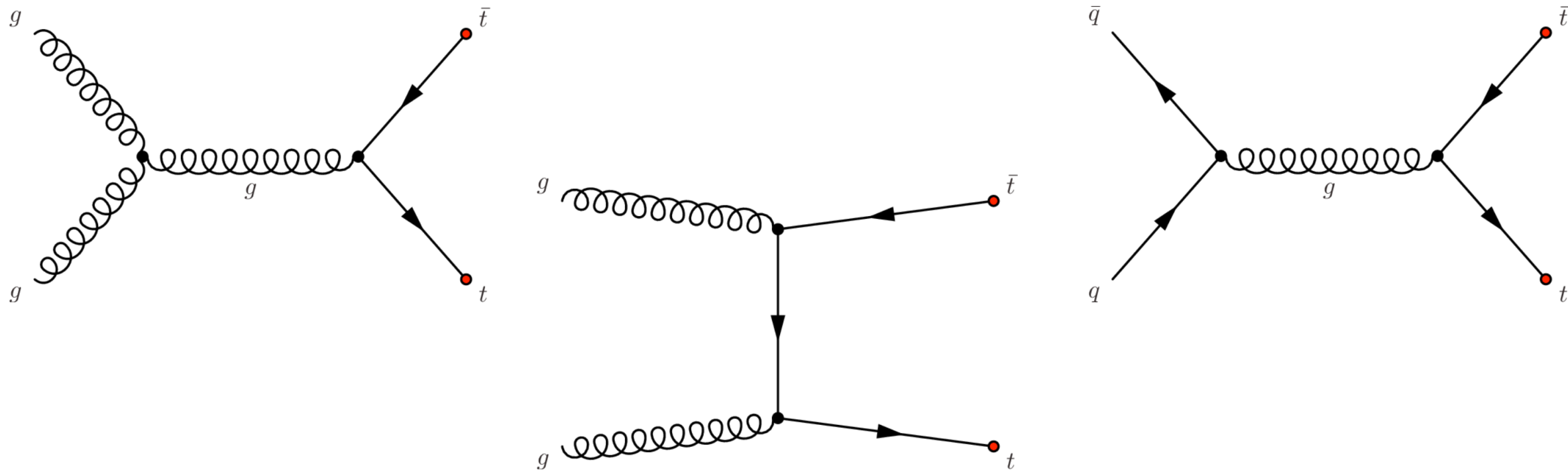
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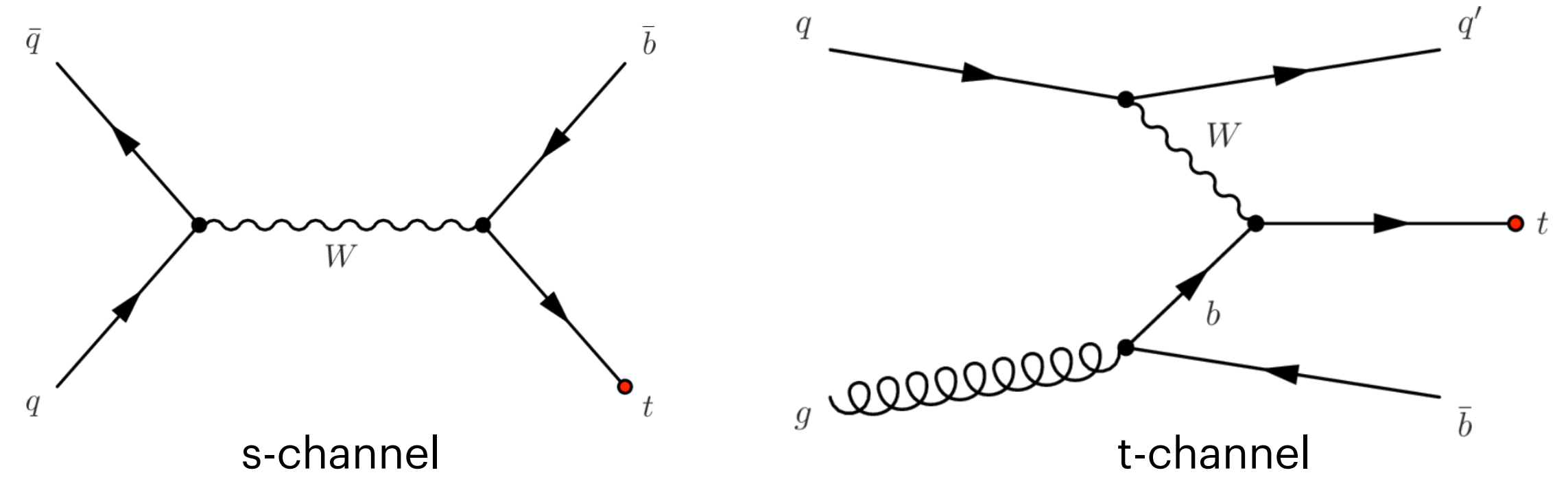
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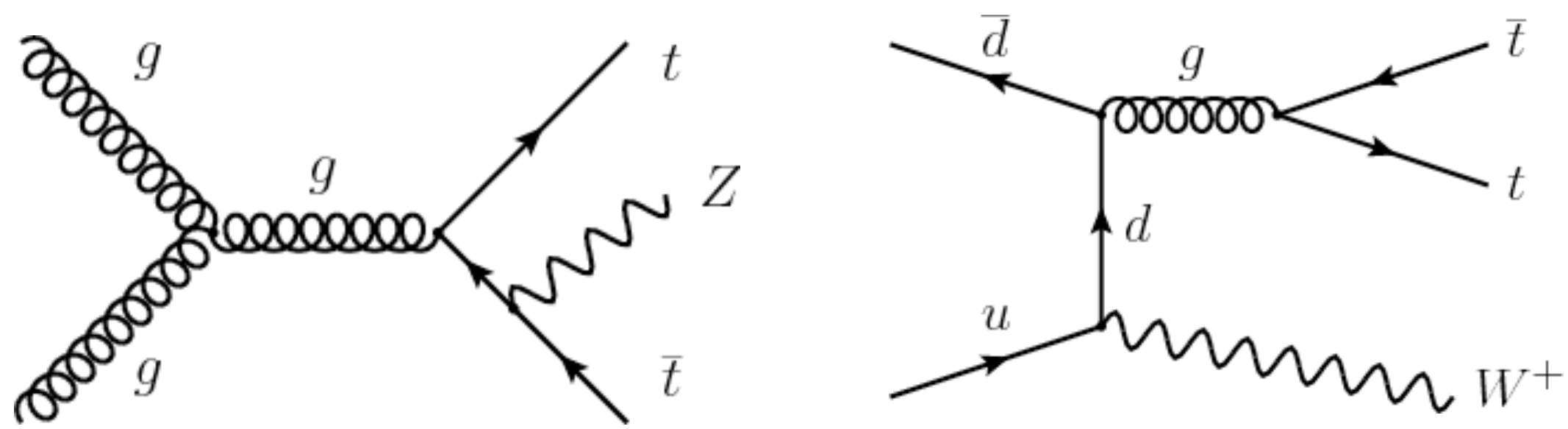
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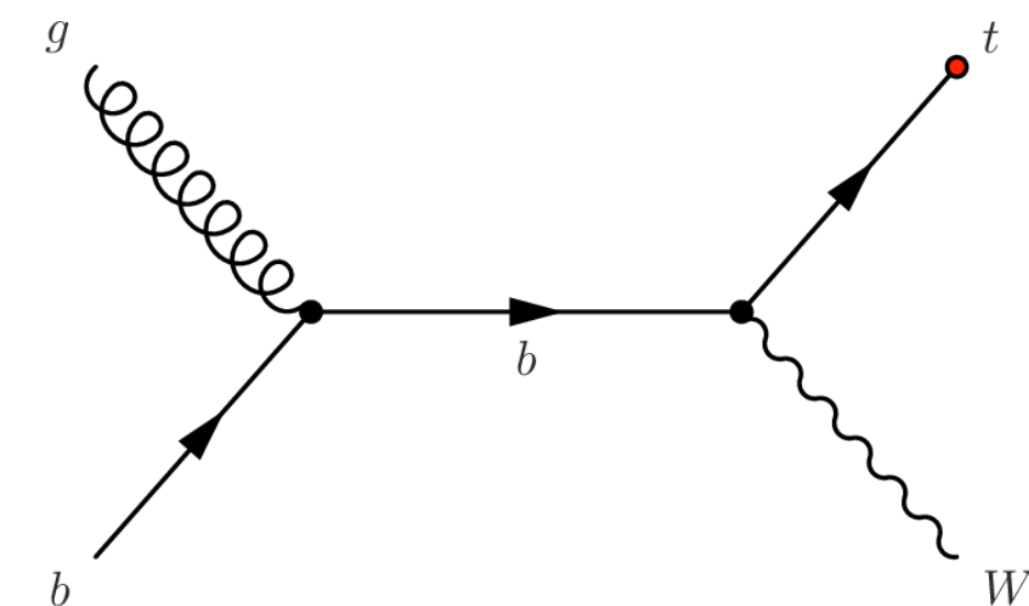
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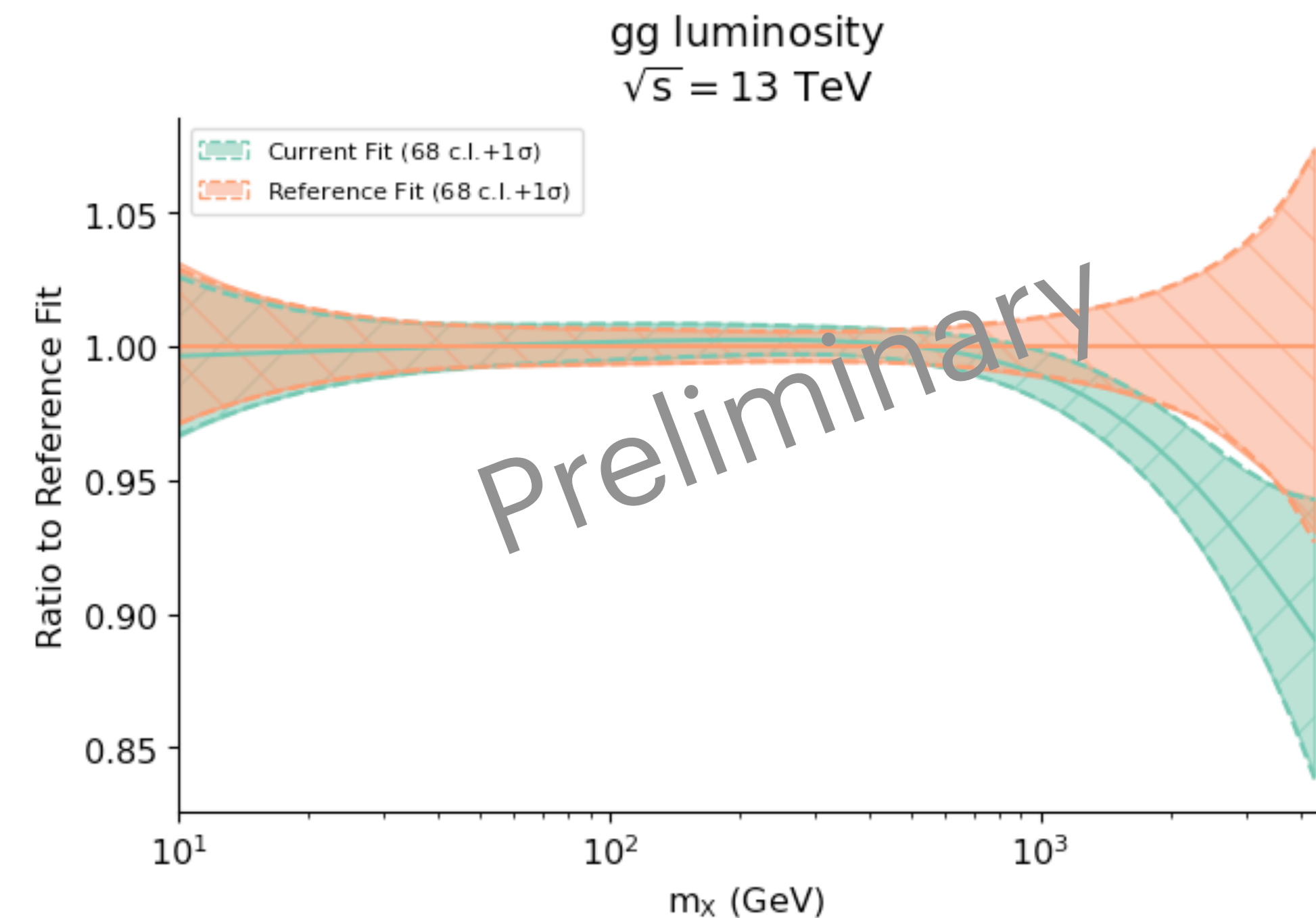
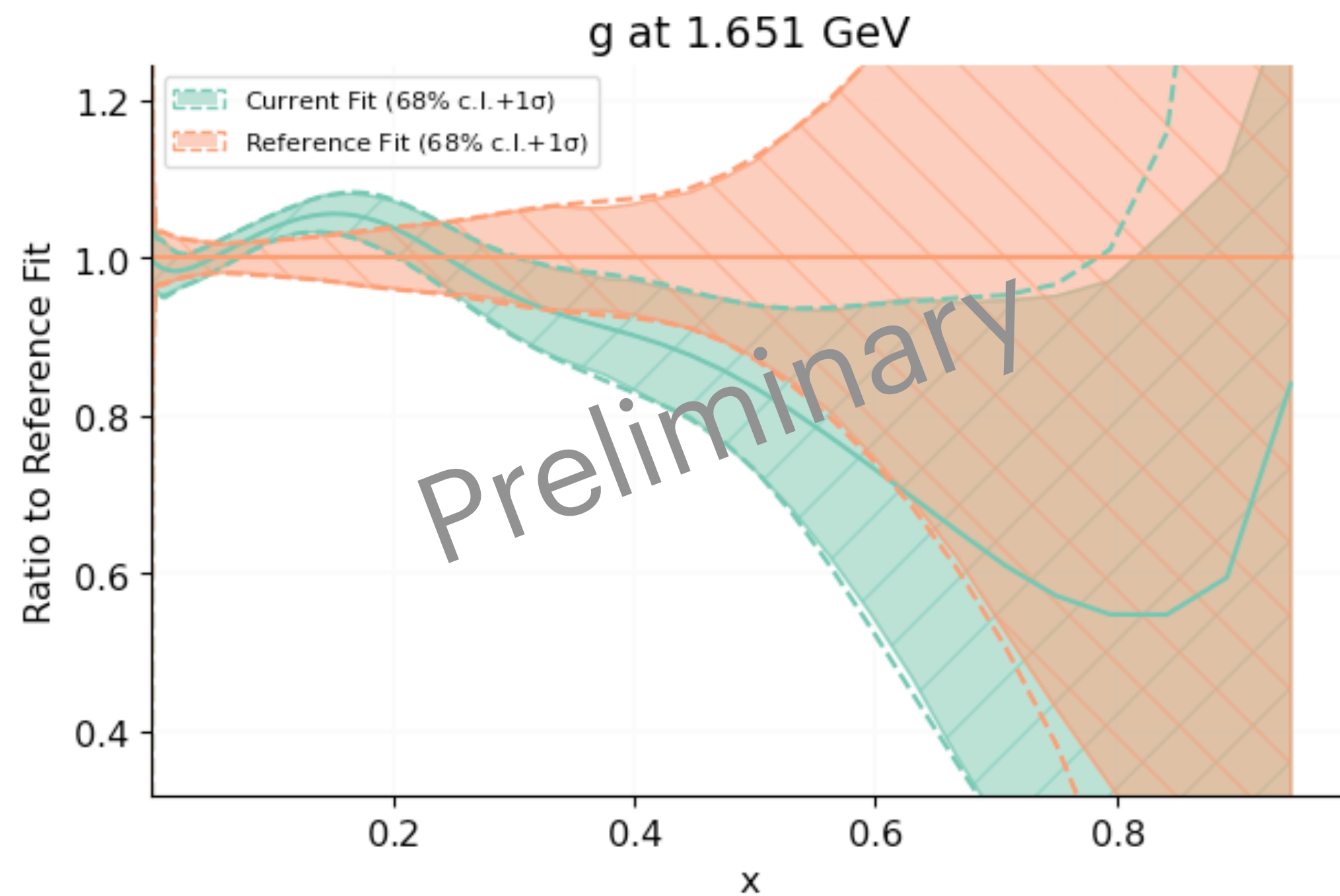
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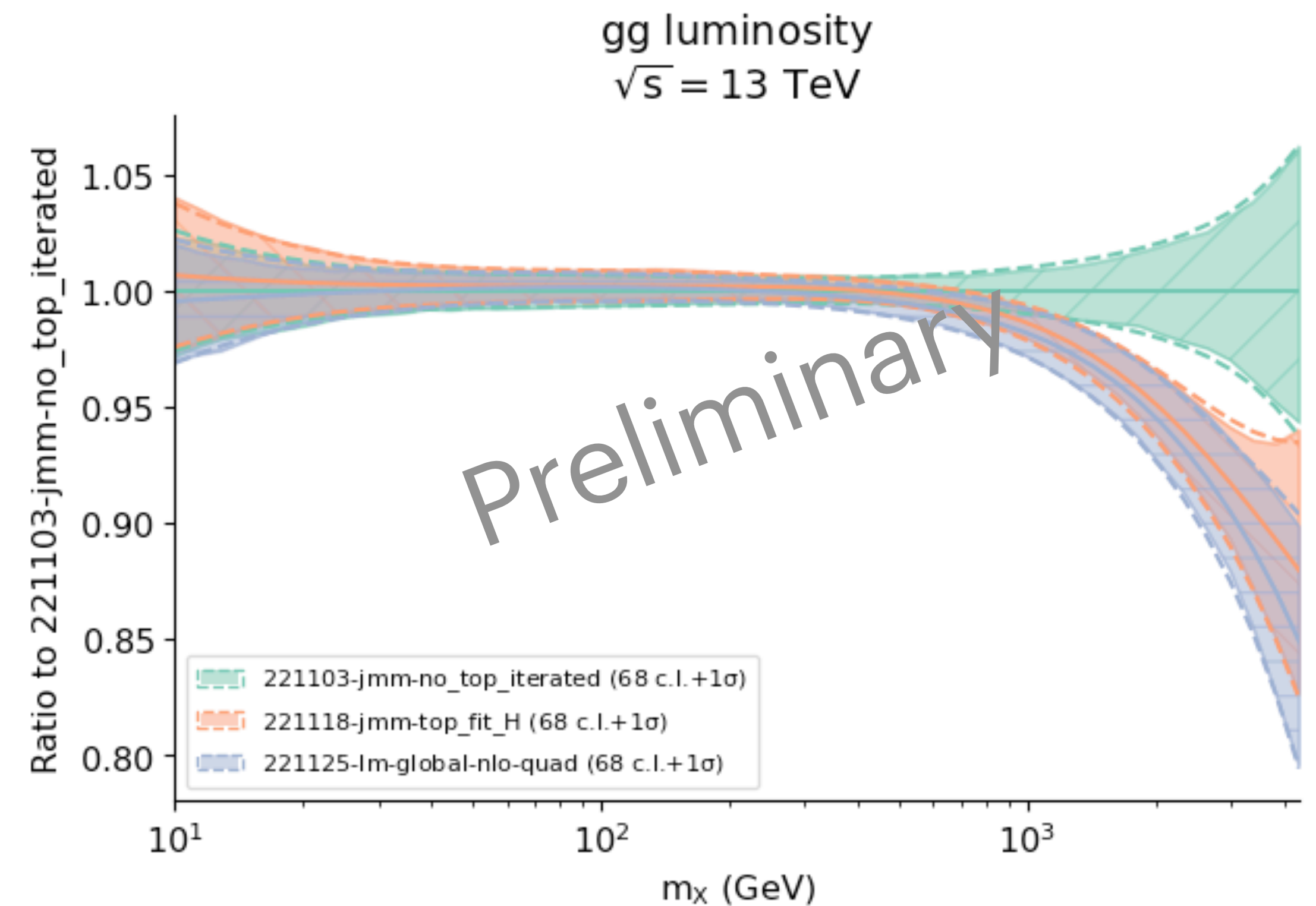
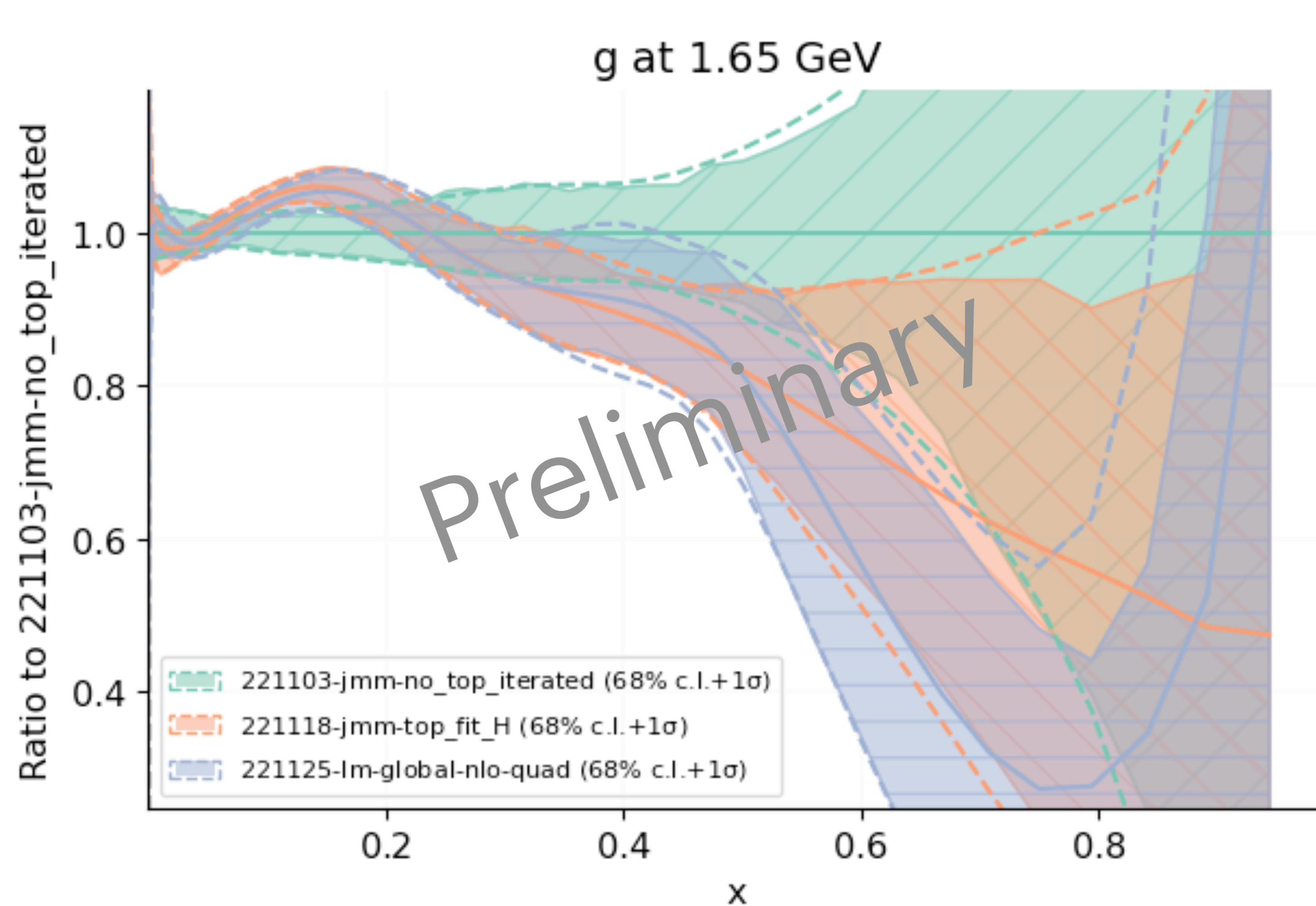
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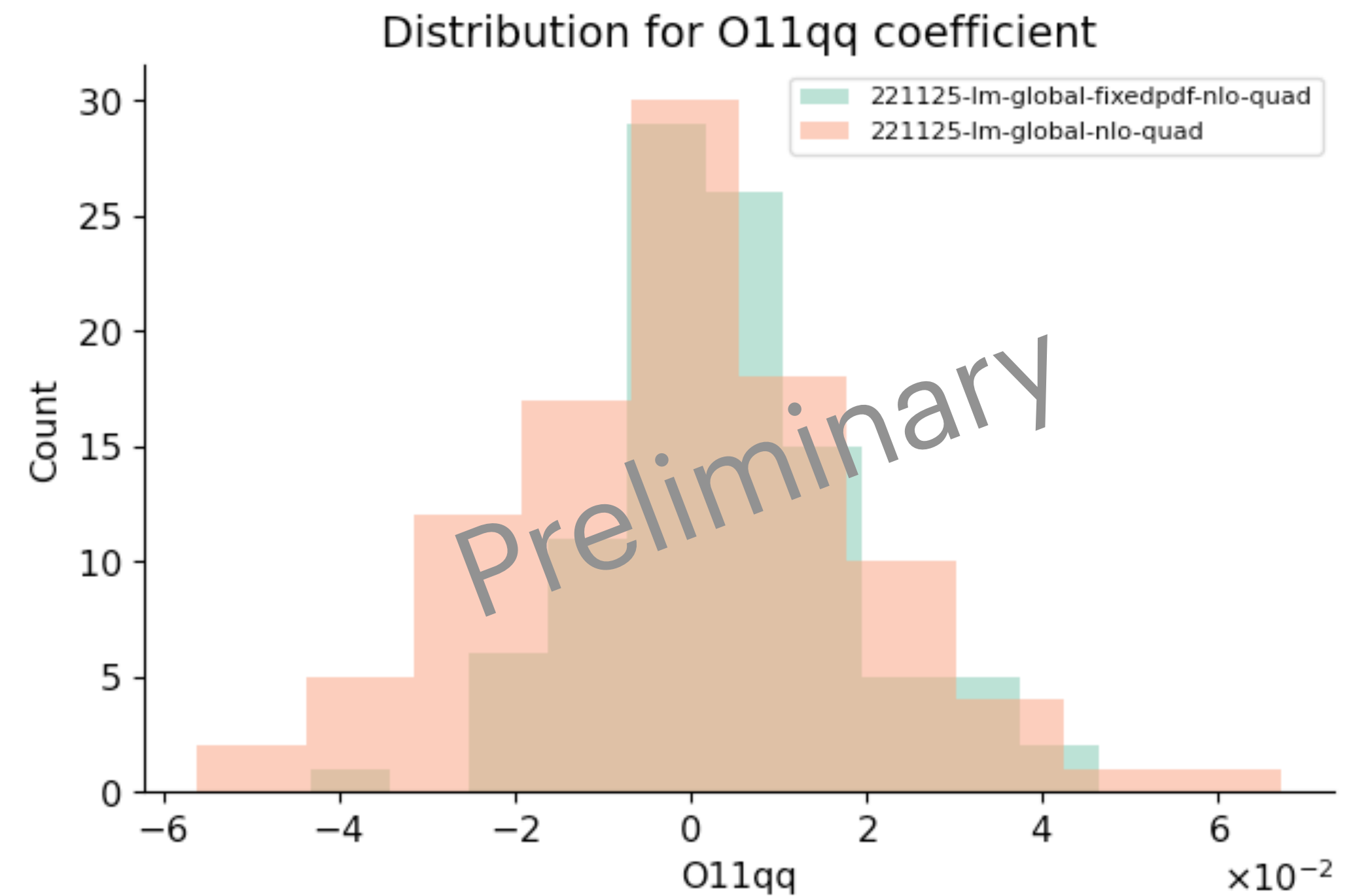
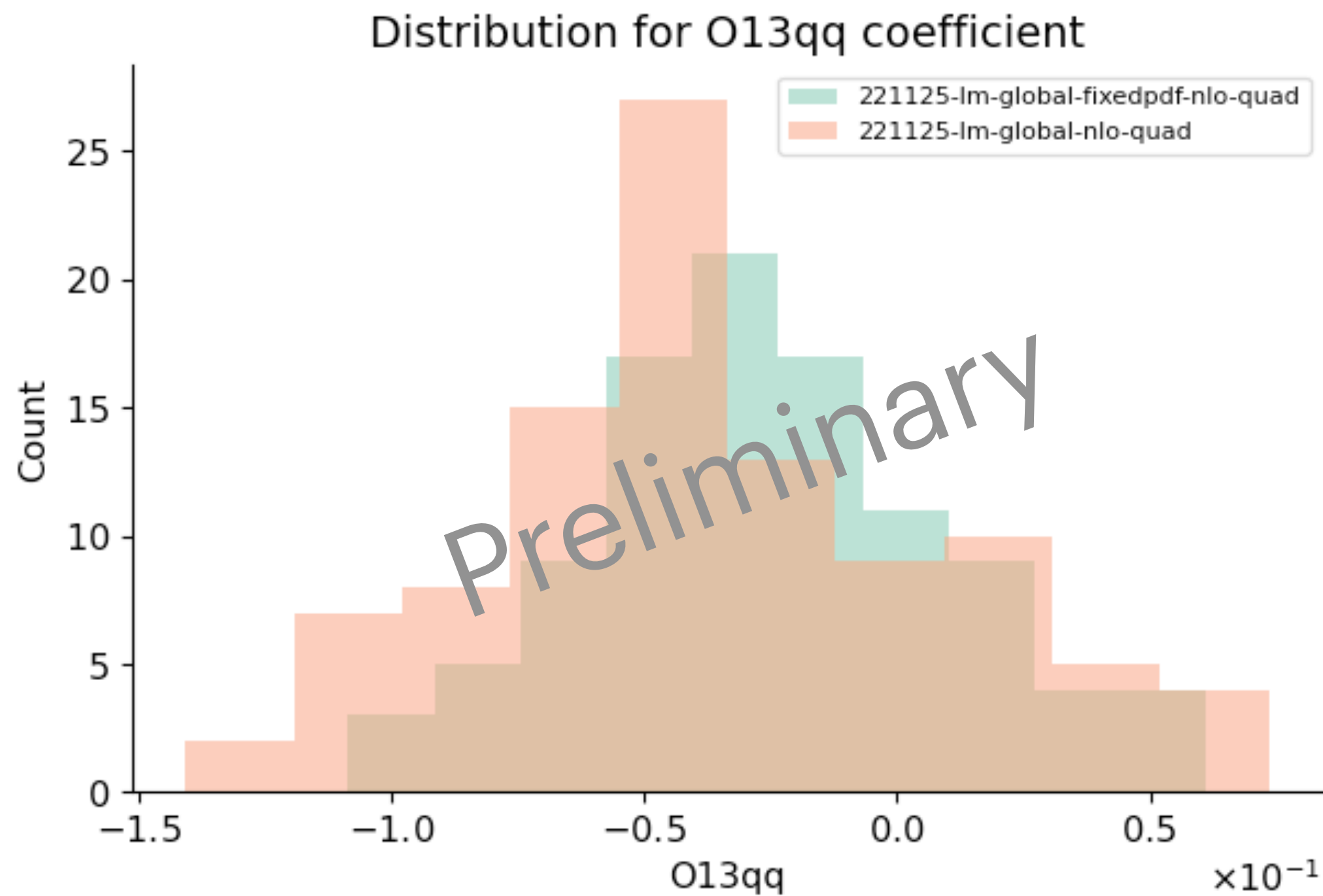
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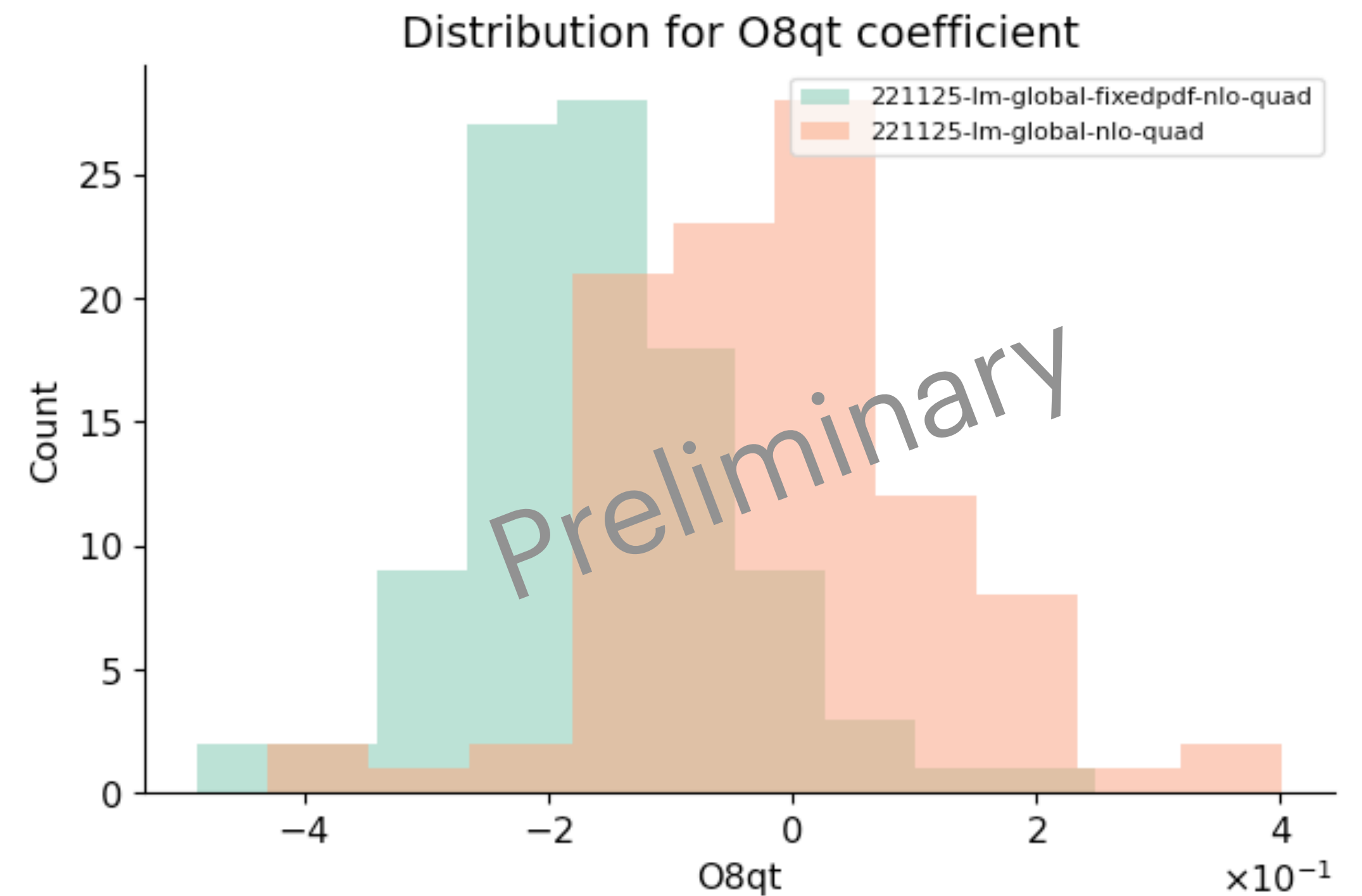
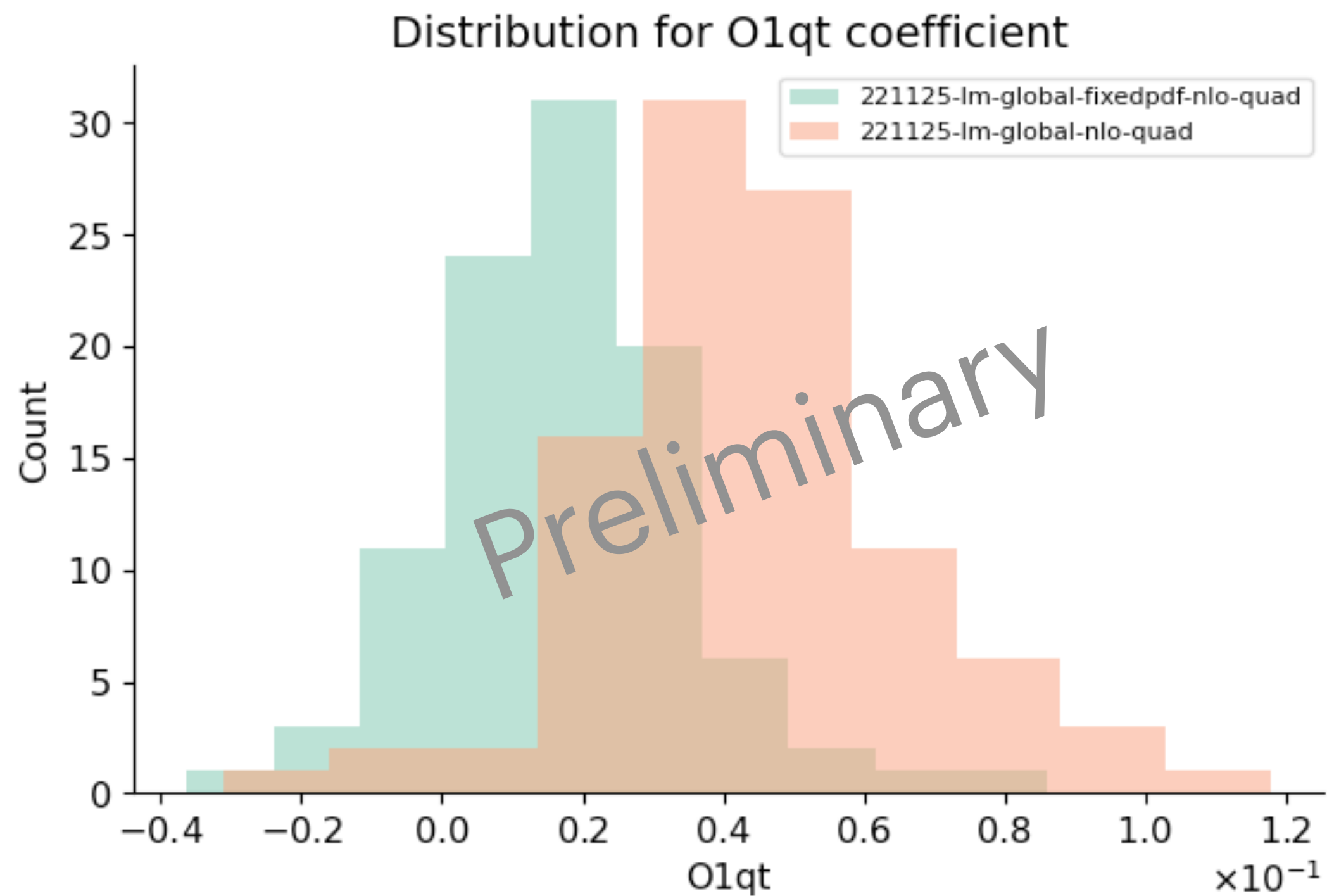
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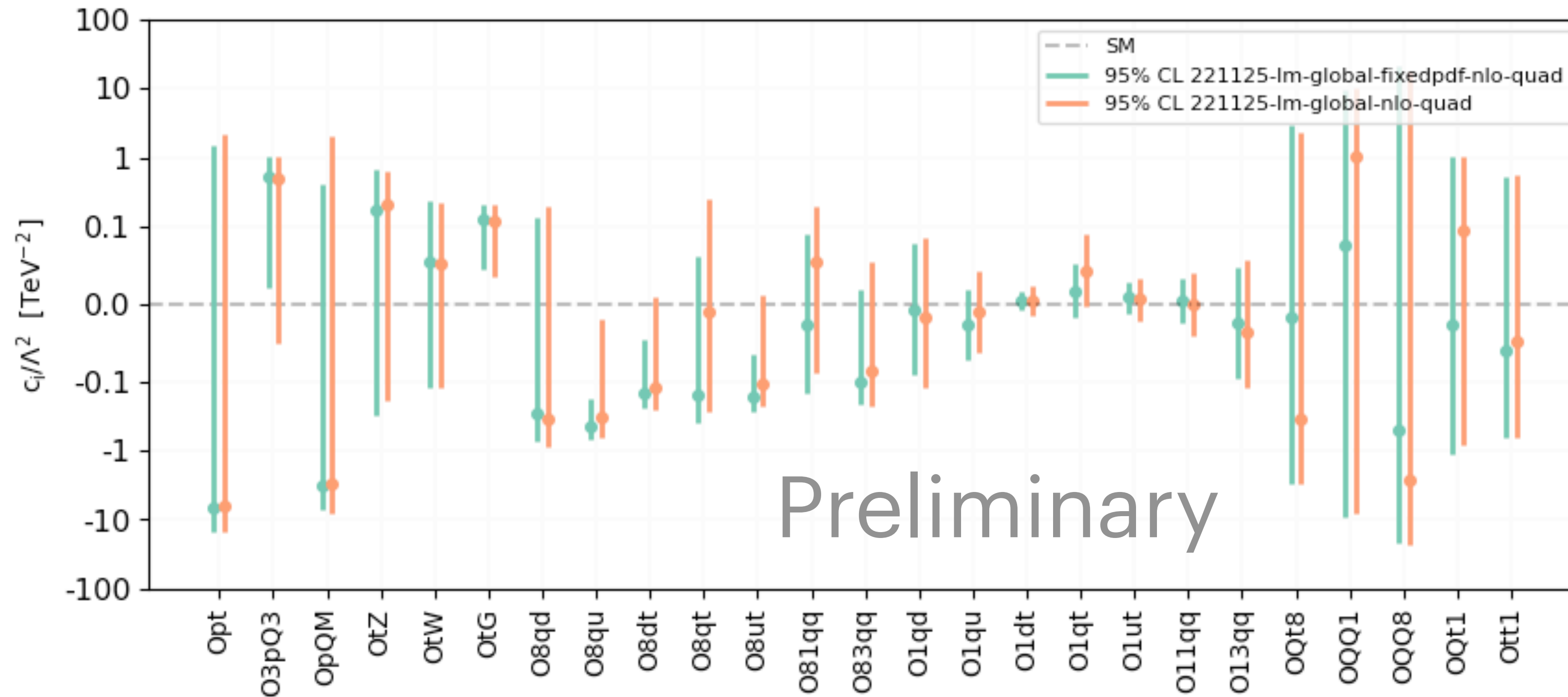
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- Summary of preliminary bounds (note logarithmic scale):
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Thanks for listening!
Questions?