

# HIGH-PRECISION PREDICTIONS FOR THE LHC

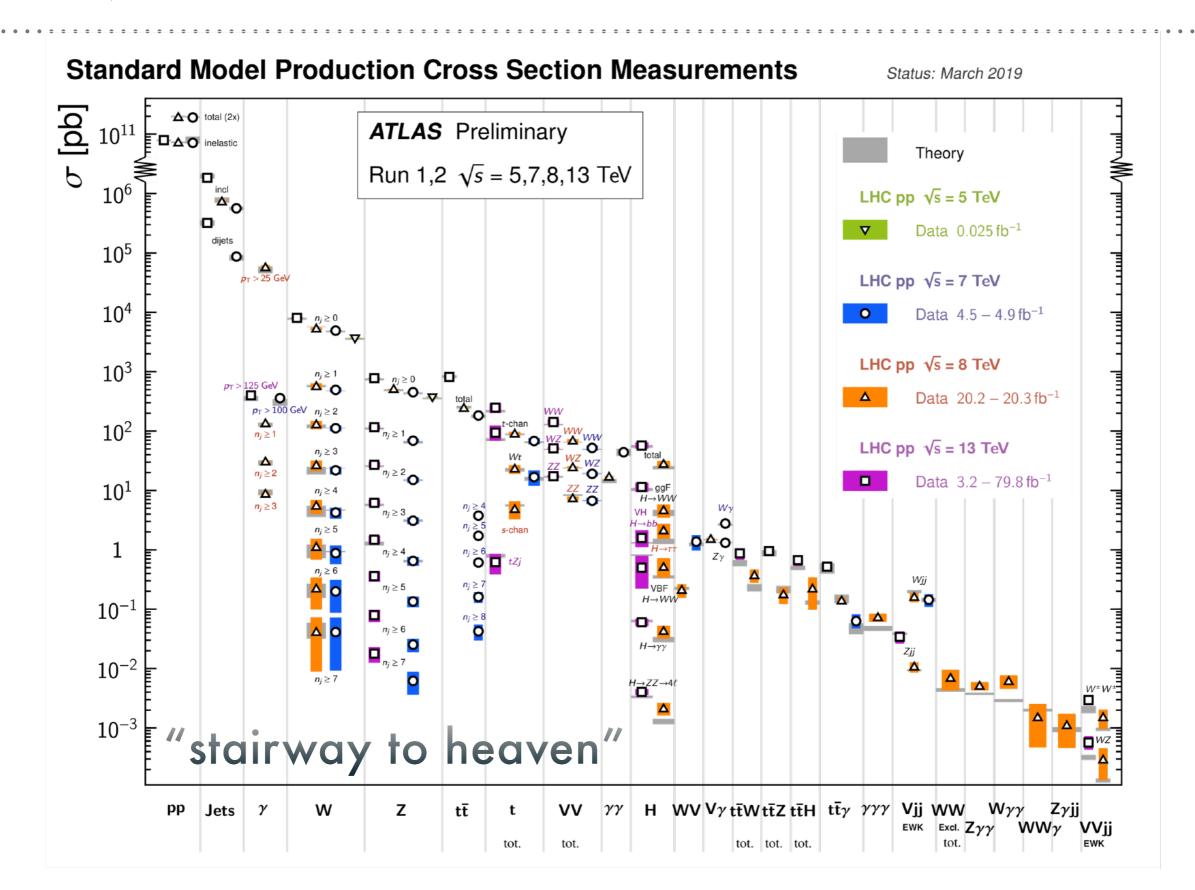
Standard Candles and the Higgs to lighten the path to discoveries

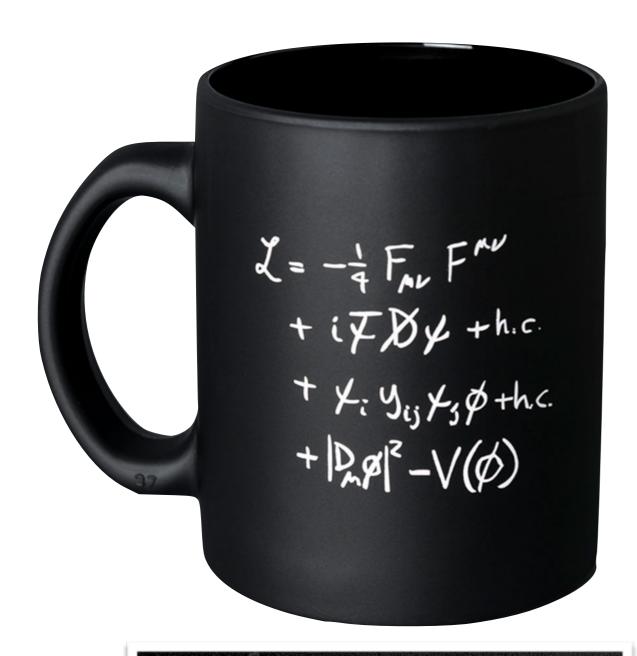
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## A REMARKABLE SUCCESS STORY...



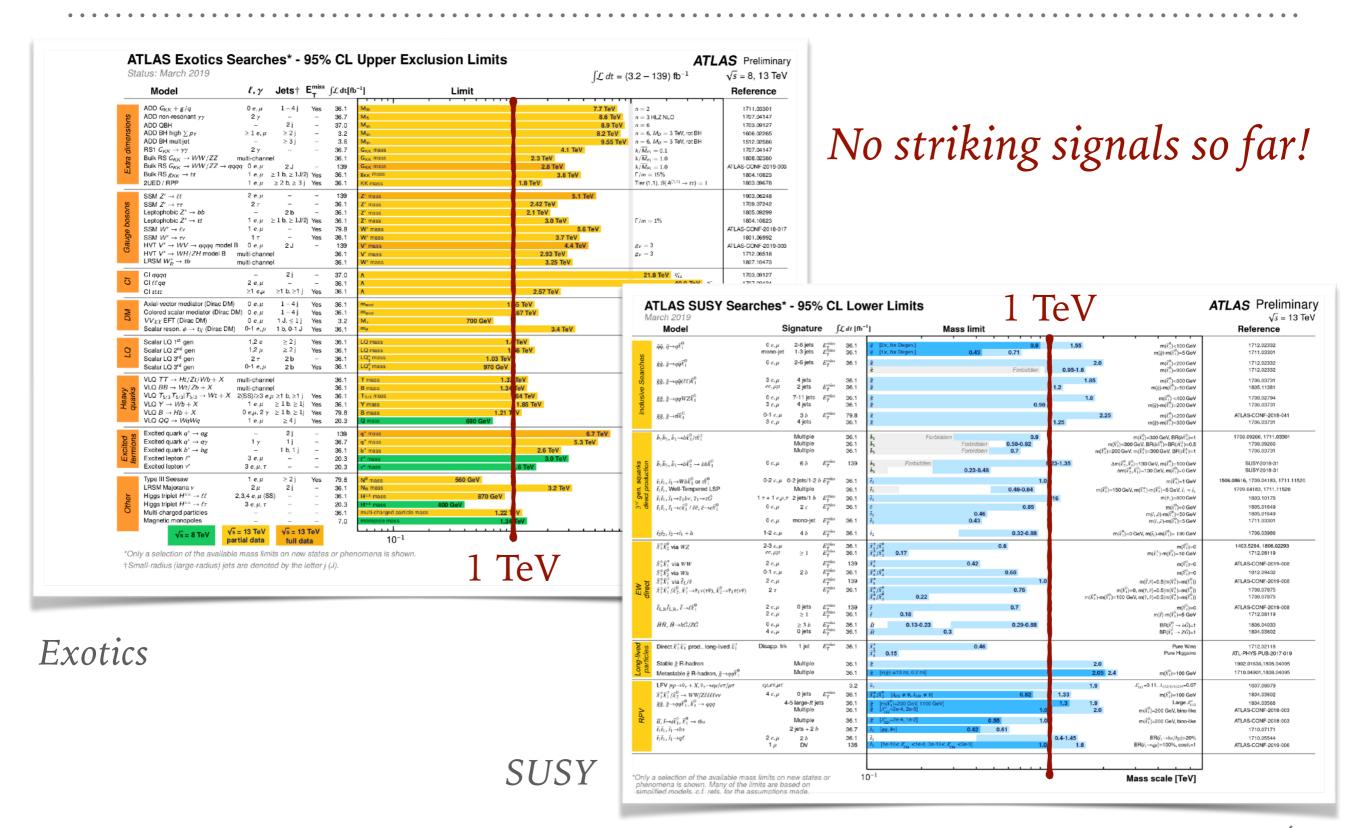


This equation neatly sums up our current understanding of fundamental particles and forces.

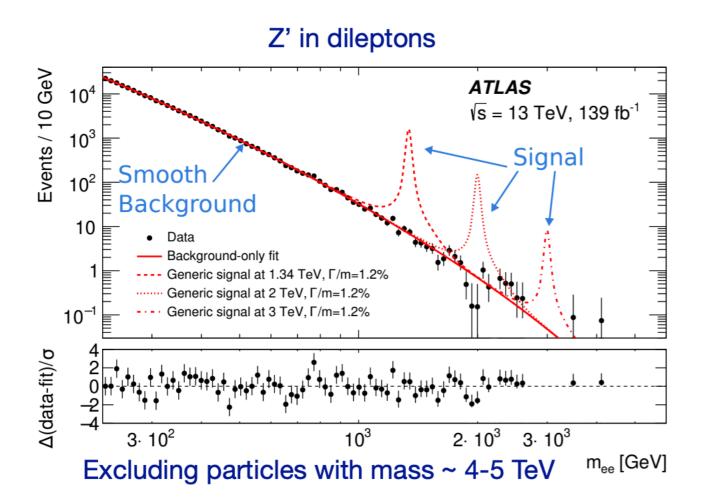
#### ...BUT NOT THE FULL STORY

- origin of dark matter
- hierarchy problem
- matter anti-matter asymmetry
- hierarchy of scales (generations)
- unification with gravity
- •
- what is the Higgs potential?
- establish the Yukawa's Y<sub>ij</sub>
- •

## NEW PHYSICS — DIRECT SEARCHES



## NEW PHYSICS — HIDING IN SMALL & SUBTLE EFFECTS?



# "bump hunting"

→ *little to no theory input needed* 

# WHAT IF?

- interaction weak
- wide resonance
- too heavy
- shape distortion
- challenging signature



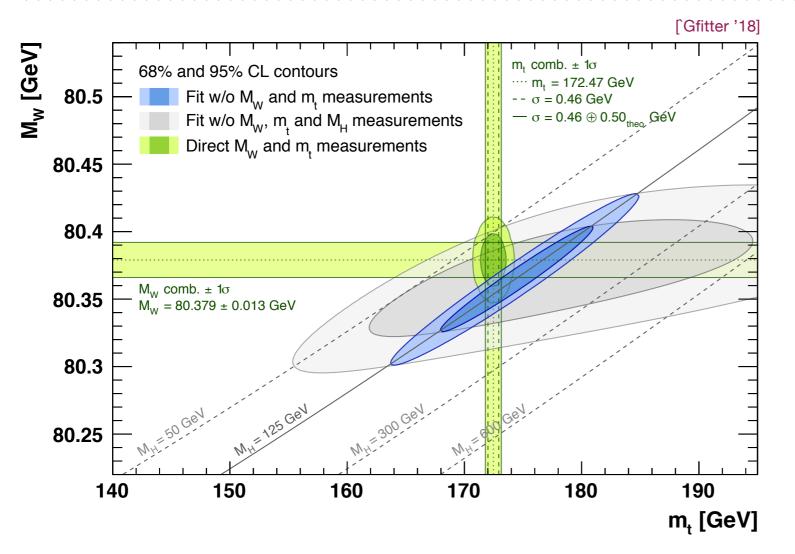


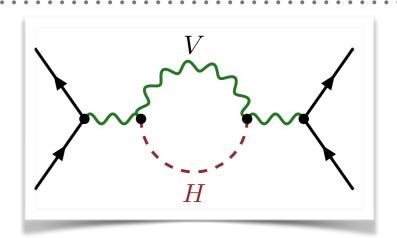




requires solid understanding and control of SM backgrounds

## PRECISION MEASUREMENTS & INDIRECT SEARCHES





- constrained system
- → self consistent?
- **→** ~~?~~

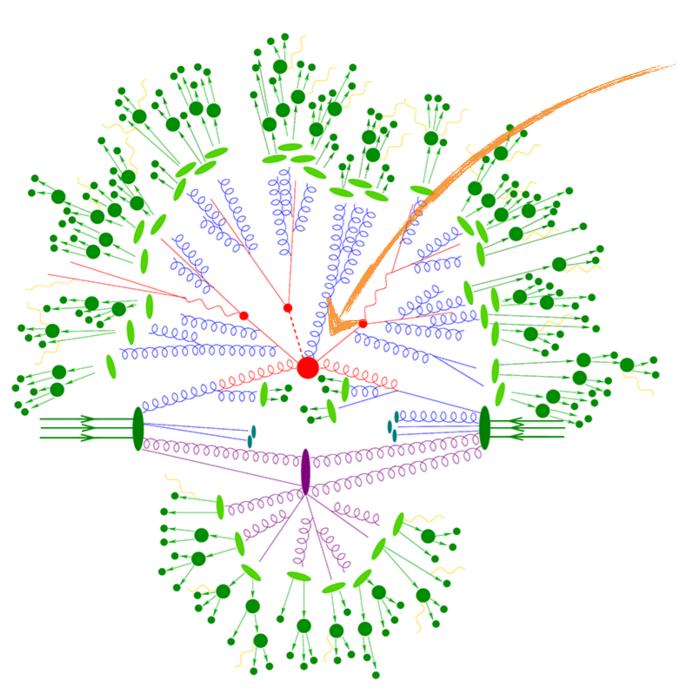
$m/{ m GeV}$	measured	fit value
$m_{ m t} \ M_{ m H} \ M_{ m W}$	$172.47 \pm 0.68$ $125.1 \pm 0.2$ $80.379 \pm 0.013$	$176.4 \pm 2.1$ $90^{+21}_{-18}$ $80.354 \pm 0.007$

precision theory

for

"standard candles"

### HIGH-PRECISION THEORY PREDICTIONS!



- ➤ (HL-)LHC per-cent level!
  - Focus clean processes with high momentum transfer
    - perturbative QCD
- $\rightarrow$  with  $\alpha_{\rm s} \sim 0.1$ 
  - $NLO \sim \mathcal{O}(10\%)$ ,  $NNLO \sim \mathcal{O}(1\%)$
  - exceptions: Higgs, new channels, ...
- predictions as close as possible to the experiment
  - fiducial cross sections & differential distributions



#### 1. Precision Predictions for the LHC

The Antenna Subtraction Formalism

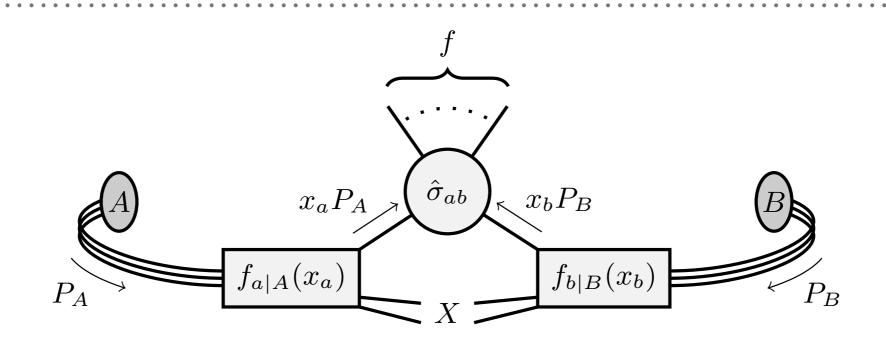
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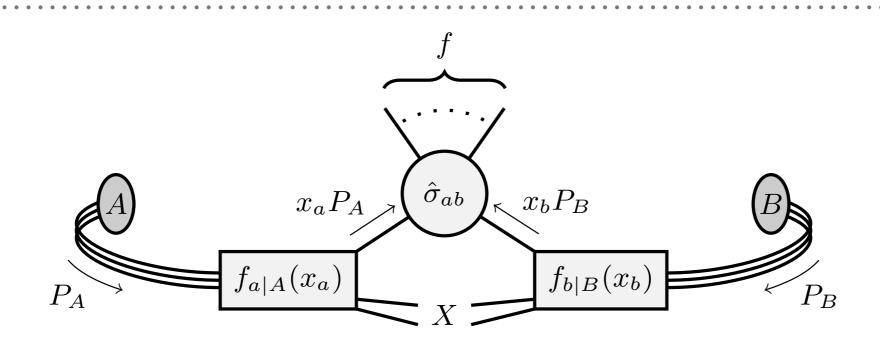
$$\sigma_{AB} = \sum_{ab} \int_0^1 \mathrm{d}x_a \int_0^1 \mathrm{d}x_b f_{a|A}(x_a) f_{b|B}(x_b) \hat{\sigma}_{ab}(x_a, x_b) \left(1 + \mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\mathrm{QCD}}/Q)\right)$$

parton distribution functions (non-perturbative, universal)

hard scattering (perturbation theory)

non-perturbative effects (power suppressed) ultimately, limiting factor?

## THEORY PREDICTIONS FOR THE LHC

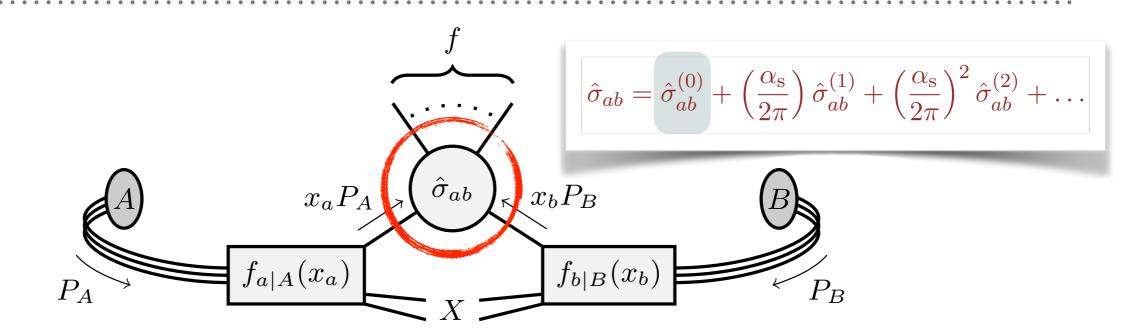


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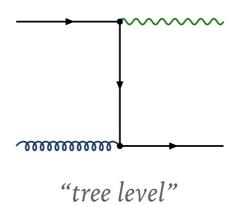
parton distribution functions
(in principle, improvable)
few % at LHC

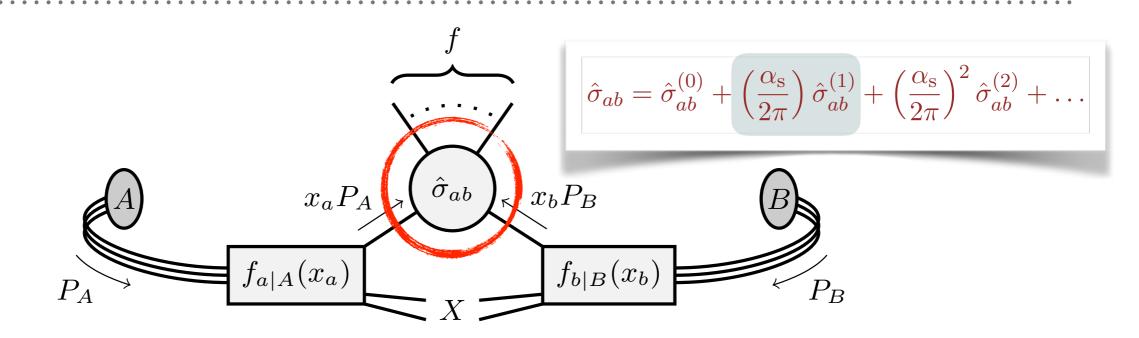
hard scattering
(systematically improvable)
aim for few % level!

non-perturbative effects
(no good understanding)
~ few %?

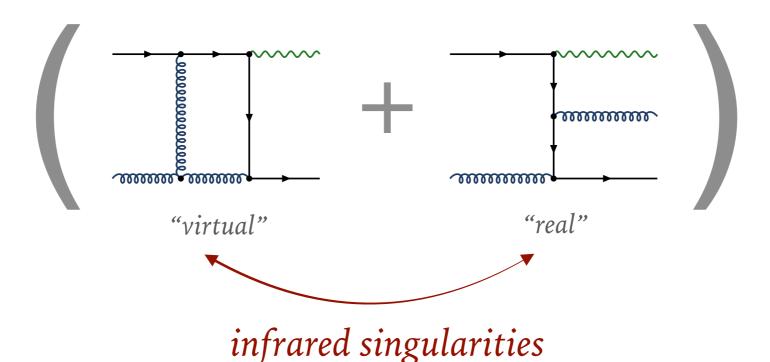


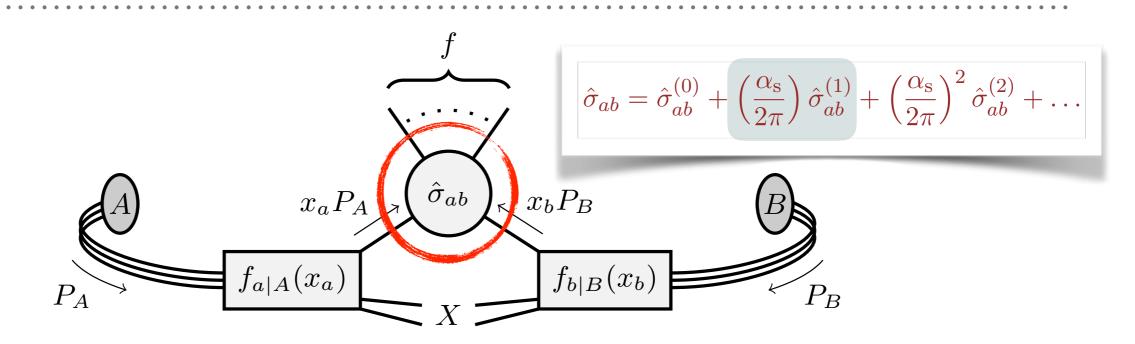
## leading order (LO)



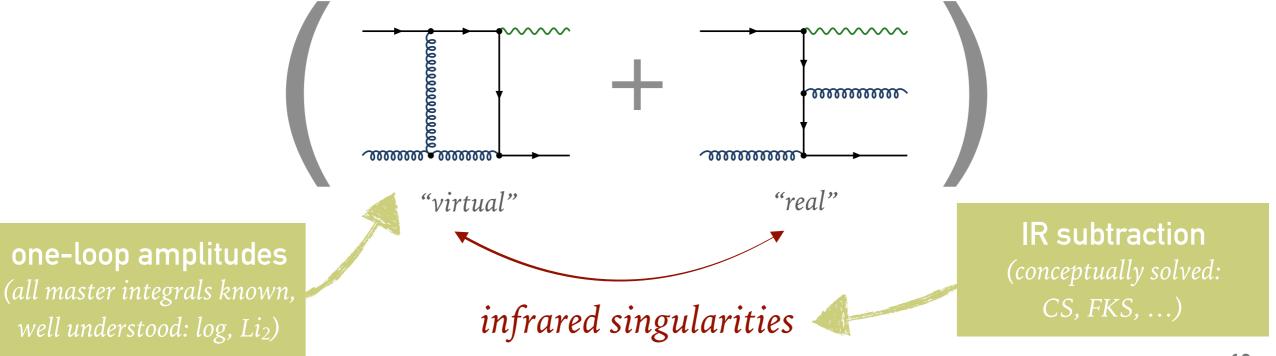


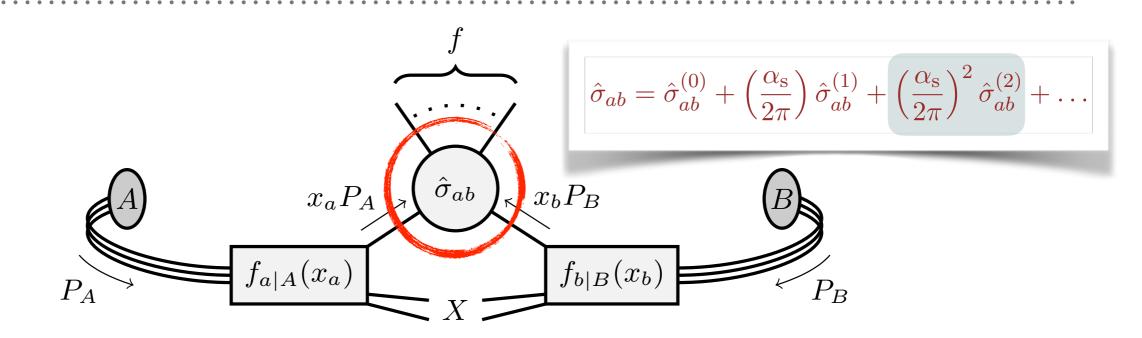
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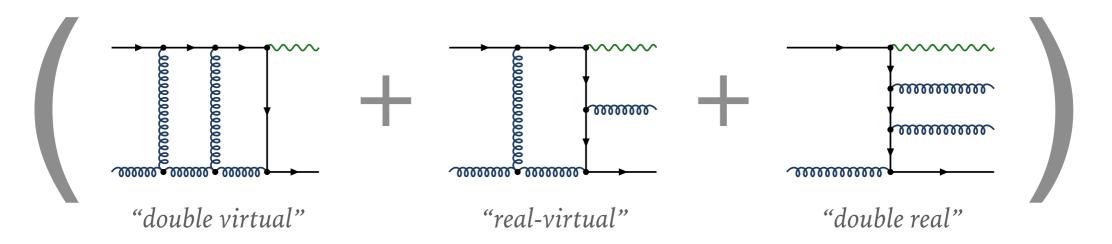


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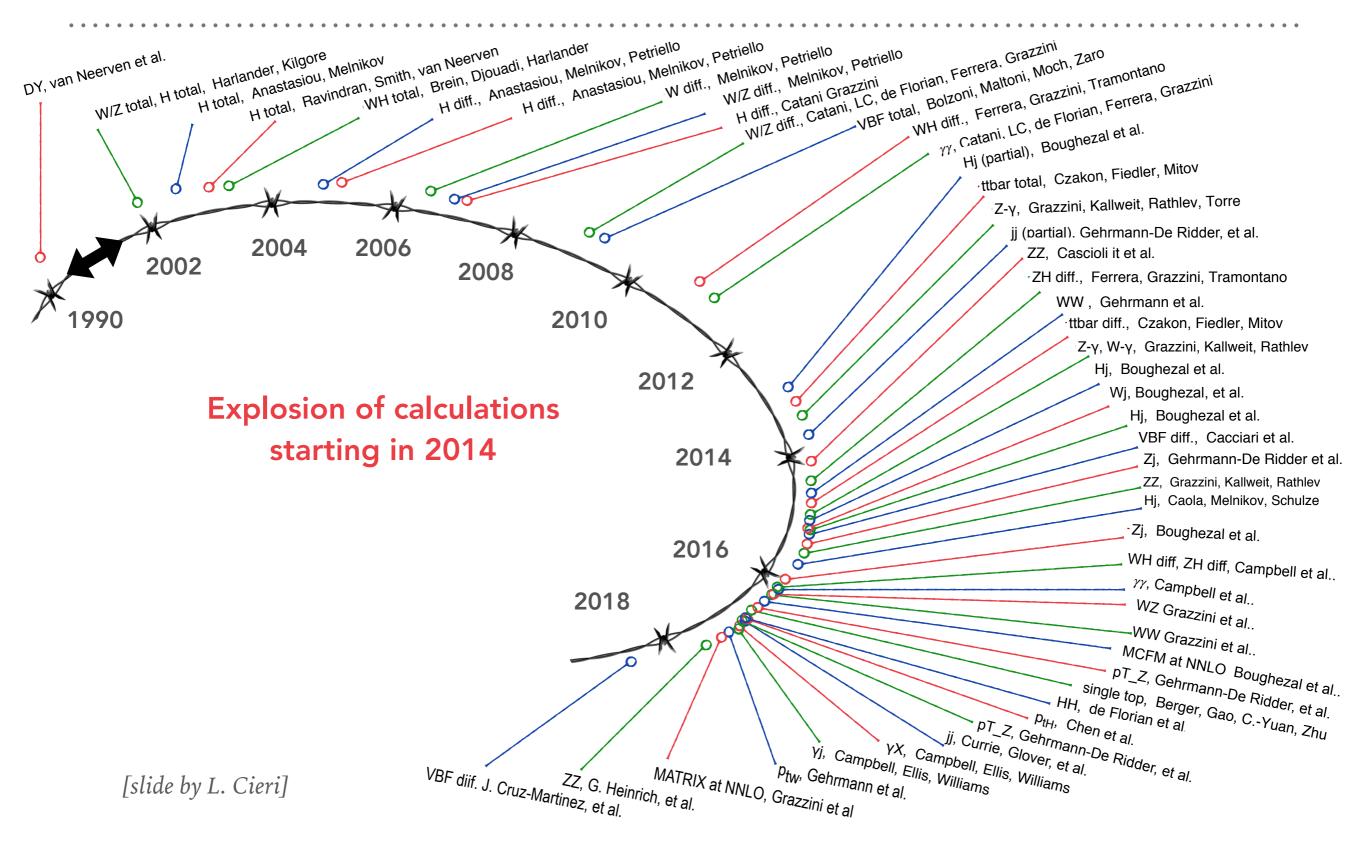




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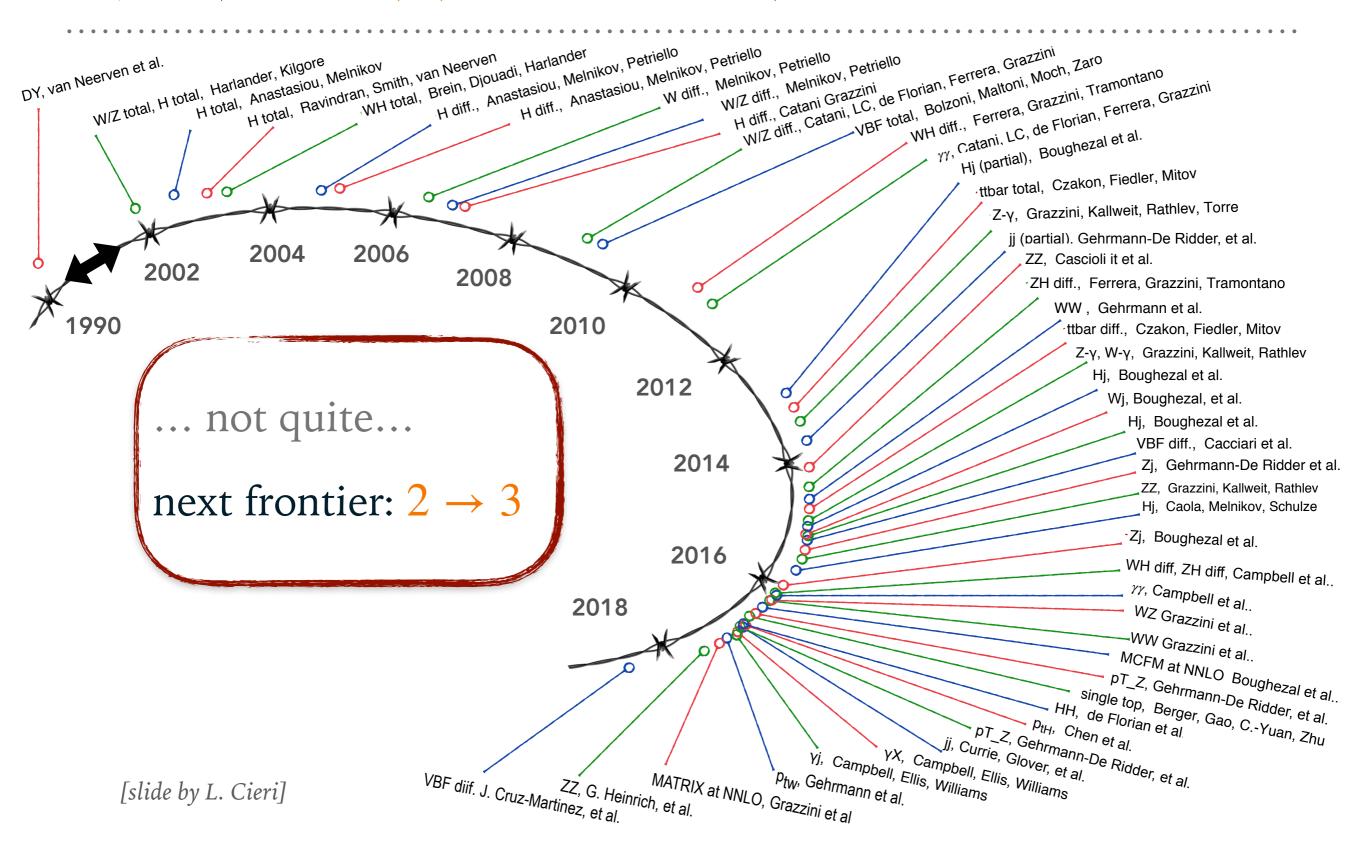


# TIMELINE FOR NNLO @ HADRON COLLIDERS

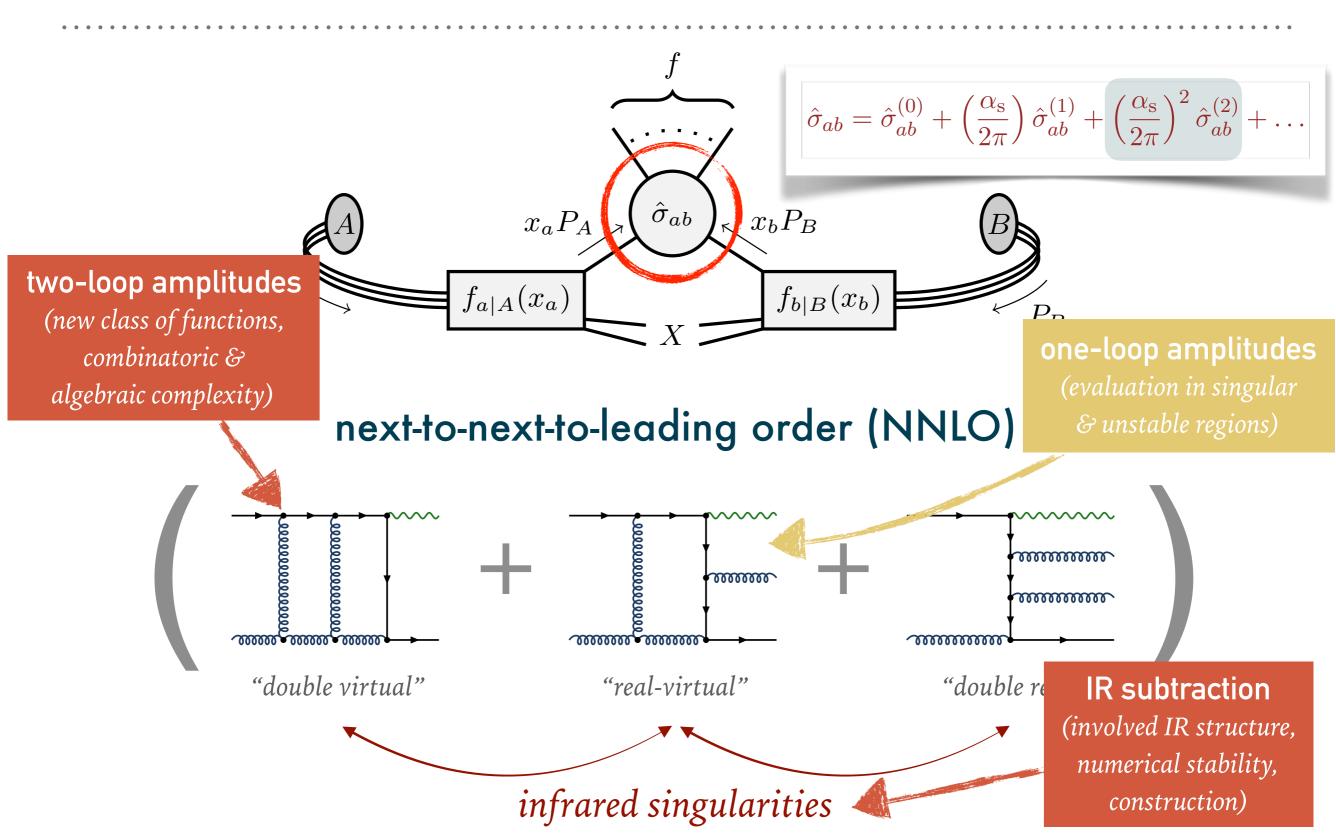


## THE "NNLO REVOLUTION"?

# TIMELINE FOR NINLO @ HADRON COLLIDERS



#### NNLO — BOTTLE NECKS



#### ANATOMY OF NNLO CALCULATIONS

Non-trivial cancellation of infrared singularities

#### NNLO USING SUBTRACTION

$$\sigma_{\mathsf{NNLO}} = \int_{\Phi_{\mathbf{Z}+3}} \left( \mathrm{d}\sigma^{\mathrm{RR}}_{\mathsf{NNLO}} - \mathrm{d}\sigma^{\mathrm{S}}_{\mathsf{NNLO}} \right)$$

$$+ \int_{\Phi_{Z+2}} \left( d\sigma_{\text{NNLO}}^{RV} - d\sigma_{\text{NNLO}}^{T} \right)$$

$$+ \int_{\Phi_{Z+1}} \left( d\sigma_{\text{NNLO}}^{VV} - d\sigma_{\text{NNLO}}^{U} \right)$$

- ►  $d\sigma_{\text{NNLO}}^{\text{S}}$ ,  $d\sigma_{\text{NNLO}}^{\text{T}}$ :

  mimic  $d\sigma_{\text{NNLO}}^{\text{RR}}$ ,  $d\sigma_{\text{NNLO}}^{\text{RV}}$ in unresolved limits
- ►  $d\sigma_{\text{NNLO}}^{\text{T}}$ ,  $d\sigma_{\text{NNLO}}^{\text{U}}$ :

  analytic cancellation of poles in  $d\sigma_{\text{NNLO}}^{\text{RV}}$ ,  $d\sigma_{\text{NNLO}}^{\text{VV}}$

 $\int$  finite -0

 $\Rightarrow$  each line suitable for numerical evaluation in D=4

#### **ANTENNA FACTORIZATION**

- antenna formalism operates on colour-ordered amplitudes
- exploit universal factorisation properties in IR limits

$$|\mathcal{A}_{m+1}^{0}(\ldots,i,j,k,\ldots)|^{2} \xrightarrow{j \text{ unresolved}} X_{3}^{0}(i,j,k) \qquad |\mathcal{A}_{m}^{0}(\ldots,\widetilde{I},\widetilde{K},\ldots)|^{2}$$

$$\text{colour-ordered amplitude} \qquad \text{antenna function} \qquad \text{reduced ME}$$

$$+ \text{mapping}$$

$$\{p_{i},p_{j},p_{k}\} \rightarrow \{\widetilde{p}_{I},\widetilde{p}_{K}\}$$

captures multiple limits and smoothly interpolates between them\*

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|}\hline \text{limit} & X_3^0(i,j,k) & \text{mapping} \\ \hline p_j \to 0 & \frac{2s_{ik}}{s_{ij}s_{jk}} & \widetilde{p}_I \to p_i, \ \widetilde{p}_K \to p_k \\ \hline p_j \parallel p_i & \frac{1}{s_{ij}} \, P_{ij}(z) & \widetilde{p}_I \to (p_i+p_j), \ \widetilde{p}_K \to p_k \\ \hline p_j \parallel p_k & \frac{1}{s_{jk}} \, P_{kj}(z) & \widetilde{p}_I \to p_i, \ \widetilde{p}_K \to (p_j+p_k) \\ \hline \end{array}$$

<sup>\*</sup> c.f. dipoles:  $X_3^0(i,j,k) \sim \mathcal{D}_{ij,k} + \mathcal{D}_{kj,i}$ 

#### **ANTENNA FACTORIZATION**

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$$|\mathcal{A}_{m+2}^{0}(\ldots,i,j,k,l,\ldots)|^{2} \xrightarrow{j \& k \text{ unresolved}} X_{4}^{0}(i,j,k,l) \qquad |\mathcal{A}_{m}^{0}(\ldots,\widetilde{I},\widetilde{L},\ldots)|^{2}$$

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- ▶ double soft:  $j, k \rightarrow 0$
- ► triple-collinear:

$$(i \parallel j \parallel k)$$
 &  $(j \parallel k \parallel l)$ 

- ▶ double collinear:  $(i \parallel j), (k \parallel l)$
- soft-collinear:

$$(i \parallel j), k \to 0$$
 &  $(k \parallel l), j \to 0$ 

single-unresolved

#### ANTENNA SUBTRACTION — BUILDING BLOCKS

 $lackbox{$>$} X(\ldots)$  based on physical matrix elements  $X = \overbrace{A,B,C}^{q\bar{q}}, \overbrace{D,E,F,G,H}^{qg}$ 

$$X_3^0(i,j,k) = \frac{|\mathcal{A}_3^0(i,j,k)|^2}{|\mathcal{A}_2^0(\widetilde{I},\widetilde{K})|^2}, \qquad X_4^0(i,j,k,l) = \frac{|\mathcal{A}_4^0(i,j,k,l)|^2}{|\mathcal{A}_2^0(\widetilde{I},\widetilde{L})|^2},$$

$$X_3^1(i,j,k) = \frac{|\mathcal{A}_3^1(i,j,k)|^2}{|\mathcal{A}_2^0(\widetilde{I},\widetilde{K})|^2} - X_3^0(i,j,k) \frac{|\mathcal{A}_2^1(\widetilde{I},\widetilde{K})|^2}{|\mathcal{A}_2^0(\widetilde{I},\widetilde{K})|^2},$$

$$A_3^0(i_q,j_{
m g},k_{ar q}) = \left|igwedge_{i_q}^{\gamma^*}igwedge_{i_{ar q}}^{i_q}
ight|^2 \left/\left|igwedge_{K_{ar q}}^{\gamma^*}
ight|^2$$

▶ integrating the antennae ←→ phase-space factorization

$$d\Phi_{m+1}(\ldots, p_i, p_j, p_k, \ldots)$$

$$= d\Phi_m(\ldots, \widetilde{p}_I, \widetilde{p}_K, \ldots) d\Phi_{X_{ijk}}(p_i, p_j, p_k; \widetilde{p}_I + \widetilde{p}_K)$$

$$\mathcal{X}_{3}^{0,1}(i,j,k) = \int d\Phi_{X_{ijk}} X_{3}^{0,1}(i,j,k), \quad \mathcal{X}_{4}^{0}(i,j,k,l) = \int d\Phi_{X_{ijkl}} X_{4}^{0}(i,j,k,l)$$

## ANTENNA SUBTRACTION — BUILDING BLOCKS

#### All building blocks known!

 $X_3^0$ ,  $X_4^0$ ,  $X_3^1$  and integrated counterparts  $\mathcal{X}_3^0$ ,  $\mathcal{X}_4^0$ ,  $\mathcal{X}_3^1$ 

∀ configurations relevant at hadron colliders:

$\rightarrow$ IIIIal-IIIIal $e \cdot e$	$\hookrightarrow$ final-final		$e^+e$	_
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[Gehrmann-De Ridder, Gehrmann, Glover '05]

$$\hookrightarrow$$
 initial-final ......  $\mathrm{e^{+}p}$ 

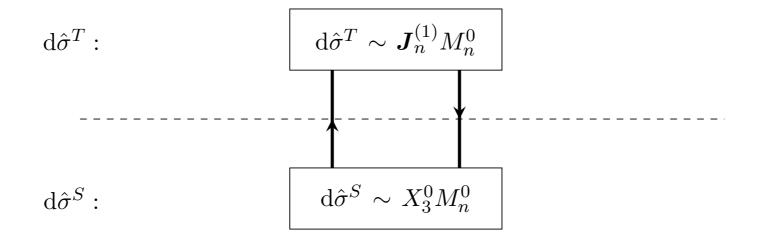
[Daleo, Gehrmann-De Ridder, Gehrmann, Luisoni, Maitre '06,'09,'12]

$$\hookrightarrow$$
 initial-initial ..... pp

[Boughezal, Daleo, Gehrmann-De Ridder, Gehrmann, Maitre, et al. '10,'11,'12]

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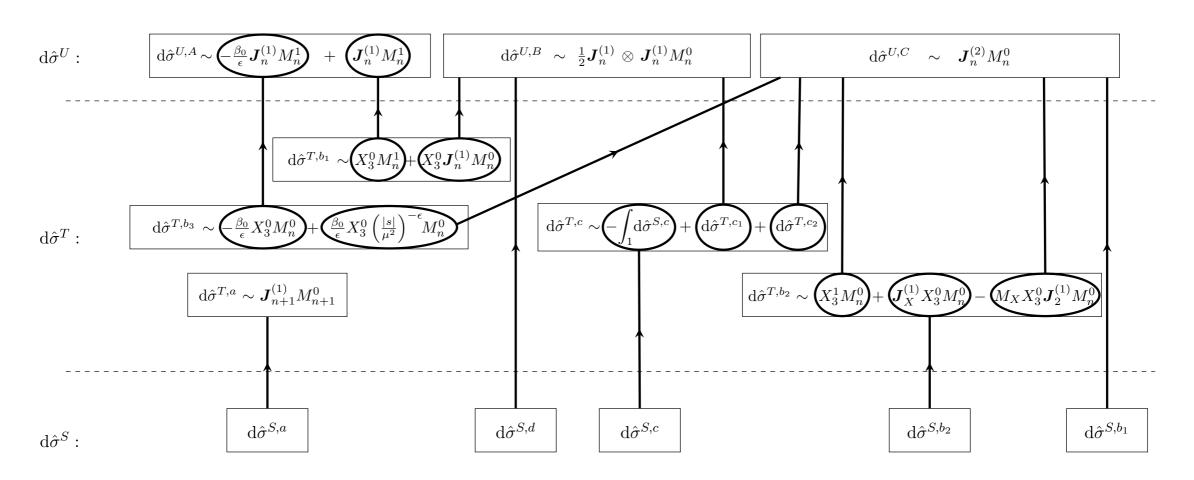
# ANTENNA SUBTRACTION @ NLO — $q\bar{q} \rightarrow ggZ$



$$\begin{split} &\int \left\{ \mathrm{d}\sigma_{Z+1jet}^{R} - \mathrm{d}\sigma_{Z+1jet}^{S} \right\} \\ &= \int \mathrm{d}\Phi_{Z+2} \left\{ \; \left| \mathcal{A}_{4}^{0}(1_{q}, 3_{g}, 4_{g}, 2_{\bar{q}}, Z) \right|^{2} \; \mathcal{J}(\Phi_{Z+2}) \right. \\ &\left. - d_{3}^{0}(1_{q}, 3_{g}, 4_{g}) \; \left| \mathcal{A}_{3}^{0}(\widetilde{1}_{q}, \widetilde{(34)}_{g}, 2_{\bar{q}}, Z) \right|^{2} \; \mathcal{J}(\widetilde{\Phi}_{Z+1}) \right. \\ &\left. - d_{3}^{0}(2_{\bar{q}}, 4_{g}, 3_{g}) \; \left| \mathcal{A}_{3}^{0}(1_{q}, \widetilde{(34)}_{g}, \widetilde{2}_{\bar{q}}, Z) \right|^{2} \; \mathcal{J}(\widetilde{\Phi}_{Z+1}) \right\} + (3 \leftrightarrow 4) \\ &\left. \int \left\{ \mathrm{d}\sigma_{Z+1jet}^{V} - \mathrm{d}\sigma_{Z+1jet}^{T} \right\} \right. \\ &\left. = \int \mathrm{d}\Phi_{Z+1} \left\{ \; \left| \mathcal{A}_{3}^{1}(1_{q}, 3_{g}, 2_{\bar{q}}, Z) \right|^{2} \right. \\ &\left. + \frac{1}{2} \left[ \mathcal{D}_{3}^{0}(s_{13}) + \mathcal{D}_{3}^{0}(s_{23}) \right] \; \left| \mathcal{A}_{3}^{0}(1_{q}, 3_{g}, 2_{\bar{q}}, Z) \right|^{2} \right\} \; \mathcal{J}(\Phi_{Z+1}) \end{split}$$

#### ANTENNA SUBTRACTION @ NNLO

[J. Currie, E.W.N. Glover, S. Wells '13]



► double real:  $d\sigma^{S} \sim X_3^0 |\mathcal{A}_{m+1}^0|^2$ ,  $X_4^0 |\mathcal{A}_m^0|^2$ ,  $X_3^0 |\mathcal{A}_3^0|^2$ 

► real-virtual:  $d\sigma^{\rm T} \sim \mathcal{X}_3^0 |\mathcal{A}_{m+1}^0|^2, \quad X_3^0 |\mathcal{A}_m^1|^2, \quad X_3^1 |\mathcal{A}_m^0|^2$ 

▶ double virtual:  $d\sigma^{\mathrm{U}} = (\text{collect rest}) \sim \mathcal{X} |\mathcal{A}_m^{0,1}|^2$ 

#### ANTENNA SUBTRACTION — CHECKS OF THE CALCULATION

#### Analytic pole cancellation

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▶ Poles \left(d\sigma^{RV} - d\sigma^{T}\right) = 0
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$$ightharpoonup$$
 Poles  $\left(\mathrm{d}\sigma^{\mathrm{VV}}-\mathrm{d}\sigma^{\mathrm{U}}\right)=0$ 

 $DimReg: D = 4 - 2\epsilon$ 

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09:26:35 ...maple/process/Z
$ form autoqgB1g2ZgtoqU.frm
FORM 4.1 (Mar 13 2014) 64-bits
#-
poles = 0;
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#### **Unresolved limits**

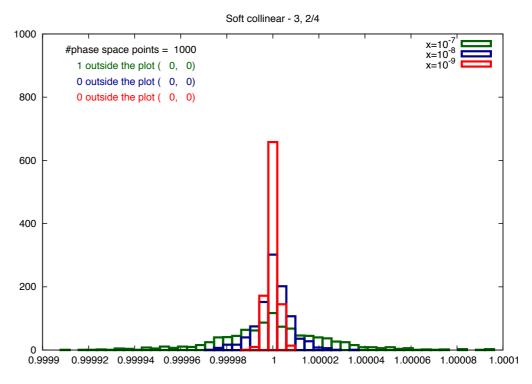
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ightharpoonup d\sigma^{
m RR} (single- & double-unresolved)
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$$ightharpoonup d\sigma^{\mathrm{RV}}$$

(single-unresolved)

bin the ratio:  $d\sigma^{S}/d\sigma^{RR} \xrightarrow{unresolved} 1$ 

$$q \ \overline{q} \rightarrow Z + g_3 \ \mathbf{g_4} \ \mathbf{g_5}$$
 (g<sub>3</sub> soft &  $\mathbf{g_4} \parallel \overline{q}$ )



(approach singular limit:  $x_i = 10^{-7}, 10^{-8}, 10^{-9}$ )



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#### Processes computed using the antenna subtraction method

$$ightharpoonup$$
 pp  $ightharpoonup V$ 

► pp 
$$\rightarrow$$
 H (ggH) @ N<sup>3</sup>LO

$$@ N^3LO$$

▶ pp 
$$\rightarrow V + j$$
 @ NNLO

▶ 
$$pp \rightarrow H + j$$
 (ggH) @ NNLO

$$\hookrightarrow V \to \ell \bar{\ell}$$
  $(V = Z/\gamma^*, W^{\pm})$ 

▶ 
$$pp \rightarrow H + 2j$$
 (VBF) @ NNLO

▶ pp 
$$\rightarrow$$
 jets (inc. jets, 2j) @ NNLO

$$\hookrightarrow H \to \gamma \gamma, \ \tau \tau, \ V \gamma, \ VV$$

$$ightharpoonup$$
 pp  $\to VH$ 

$$ightharpoonup$$
 ep  $\rightarrow 1j$ 

$$@ N^3LO$$

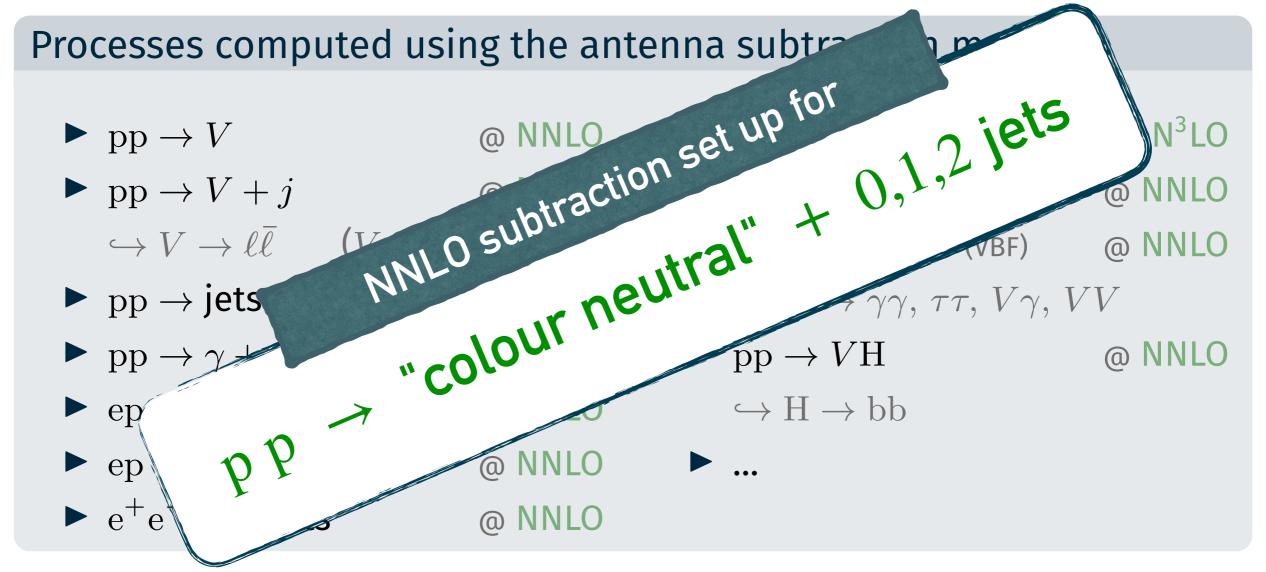
$$\hookrightarrow H \to bb$$

$$ightharpoonup$$
 ep  $ightharpoonup 2j$ 

$$ightharpoonup$$
  $e^+e^- o 3$  jets



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# THE PLAN.

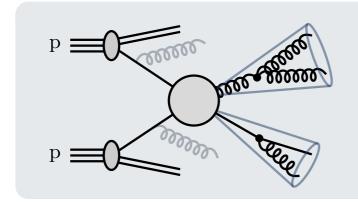
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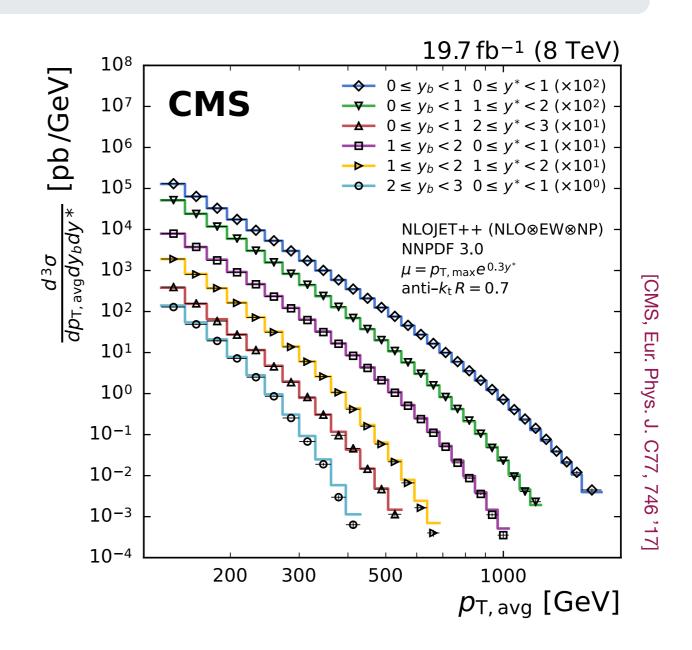
### JET PRODUCTION AT THE LHC



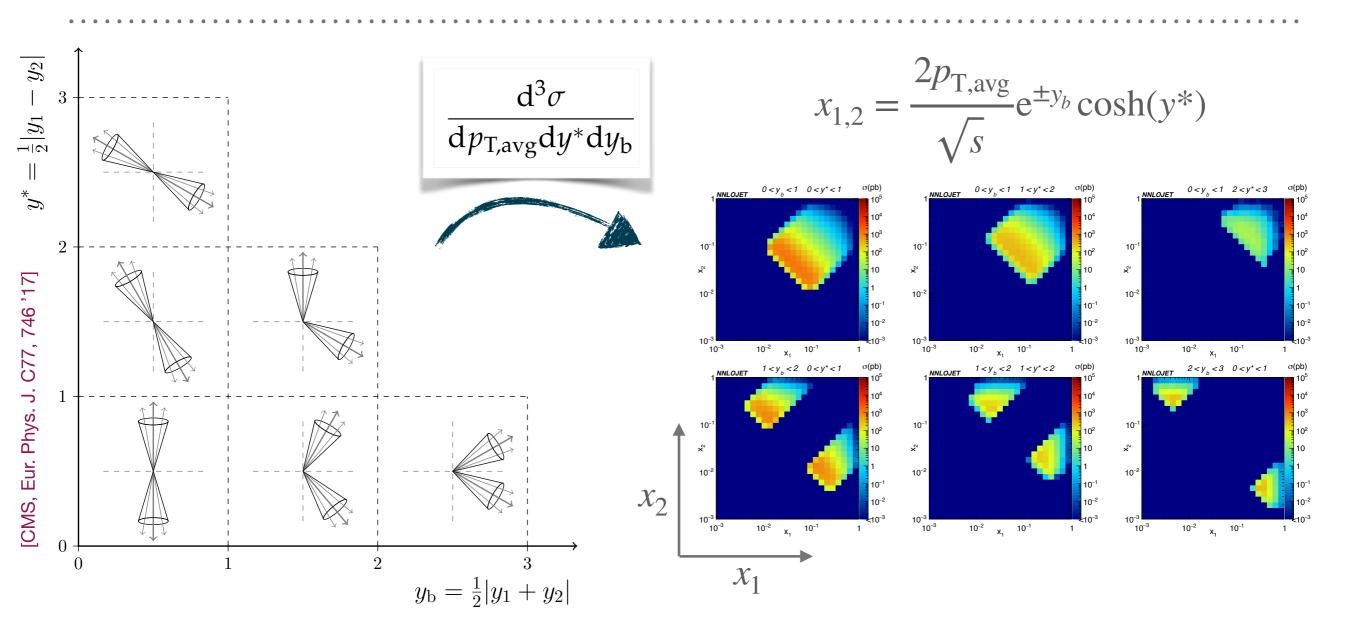
- $p + p \rightarrow jet(s) + X$ 
  - jets produced in abundance
  - ▶ precise measurements  $(p_{\mathrm{T},j} \gtrsim 20~\mathrm{GeV})$
  - wide kinematic range accessible

- ▶ test perturbative QCD
  → study scale choices
- constrain PDFs
  - $\hookrightarrow$  sensitive to gluon
  - $\hookrightarrow$  probe wide x-range
- ightharpoonup  $lpha_{
  m s}(M_{
  m Z})$  and running
- search for BSM physics

high-precision predictions mandatory!



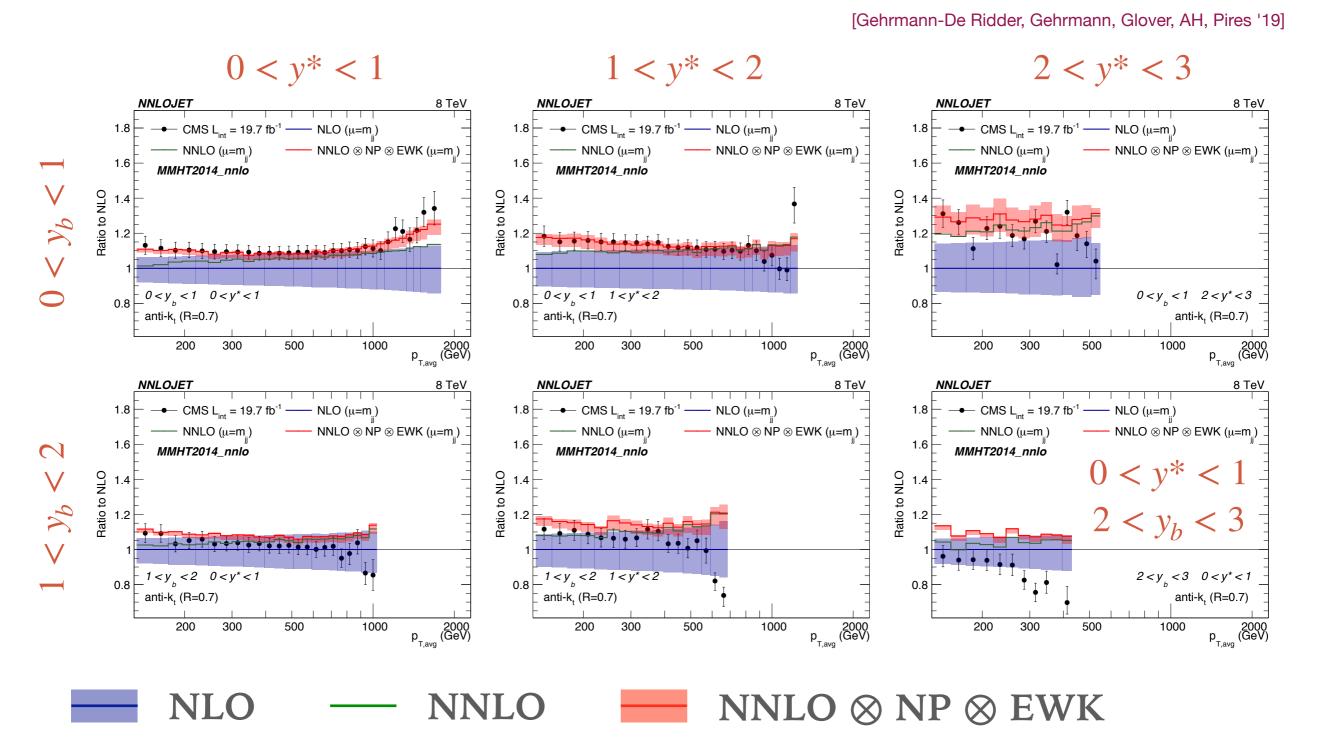
## TRIPLE-DIFFERENTIAL CROSS SECTION



study different kinematic regimes

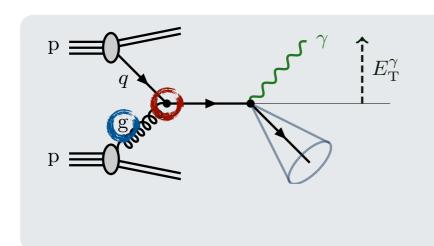
► disentangle momentum fractions  $x_1 \& x_2$ 

#### TRIPLE-DIFFERENTIAL CROSS SECTION @ NNLO



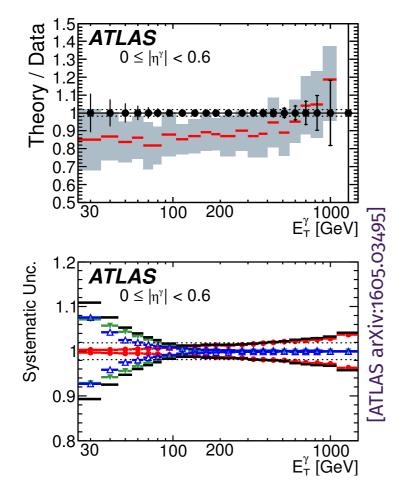
improved description of data & reduced uncertainties!

### PHOTON & PHOTON+JET PRODUCTION



$$p p \rightarrow \gamma + X$$

- ► highest-rate electroweak process @ LHC
- photon as probe of hard scattering
  - ightarrow sensitivity to  $lpha_{
    m s}$  gluon PDF



JetPhox (NLO QCD)

[Catani, Fontannaz, Guillet, Pilon '02]

- $\hookrightarrow$  tension between theory vs. data
- $\hookrightarrow$  large scale uncertainties:  $\sim \pm 10\%$
- experimental uncertainties  $\lesssim \pm 3-5\%$ 
  - $\hookrightarrow$  smaller than NLO theory
  - ⇒ NNLO QCD needed!

#### PHOTON ISOLATION

Suppress contamination from secondary photons (e.g.  $\pi^0 o \gamma\gamma$ )

 $\sim$  isolation cuts: restrict hadronic activity in  $R=\sqrt{\Delta\eta^2+\Delta\varphi^2}$ 

#### Fixed cone isolation

can choose simple linear dependence:

$$E_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{had.}}(R) < E_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{max}} = \epsilon E_{\mathrm{T}}^{\gamma} + E_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{thresh.}}$$

- √ used in experiments
- sensitivity to fragmentation

#### Dynamic cone isolation [Frixione '98]

smoothly get rid of collinear radiation:

$$E_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathsf{had.}}(r) < \epsilon E_{\mathrm{T}}^{\gamma} \left( \frac{1 - \cos r}{1 - \cos R} \right)^n \quad \forall r < R$$

- √ eliminates fragmentation part
- no direct analogue in experiment

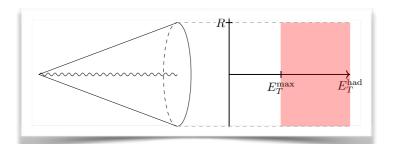
#### Mismatch: experiment vs. theory

► "tight enough" isolation: ~ few % [Les Houches '13 '15]

But: experiment & NNLO theory:  $\lesssim 5\%$ 

→ percent-level phenomenology a reality!
Can we do better?

## PHOTON ISOLATION CONT.

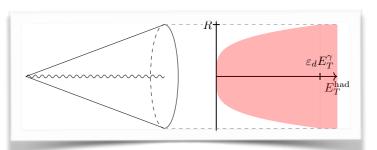


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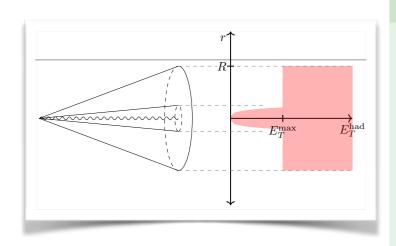


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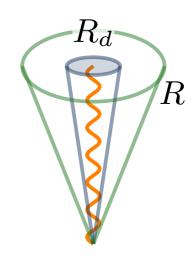
- √ eliminates fragmentation part
- no direct analogue in experiment



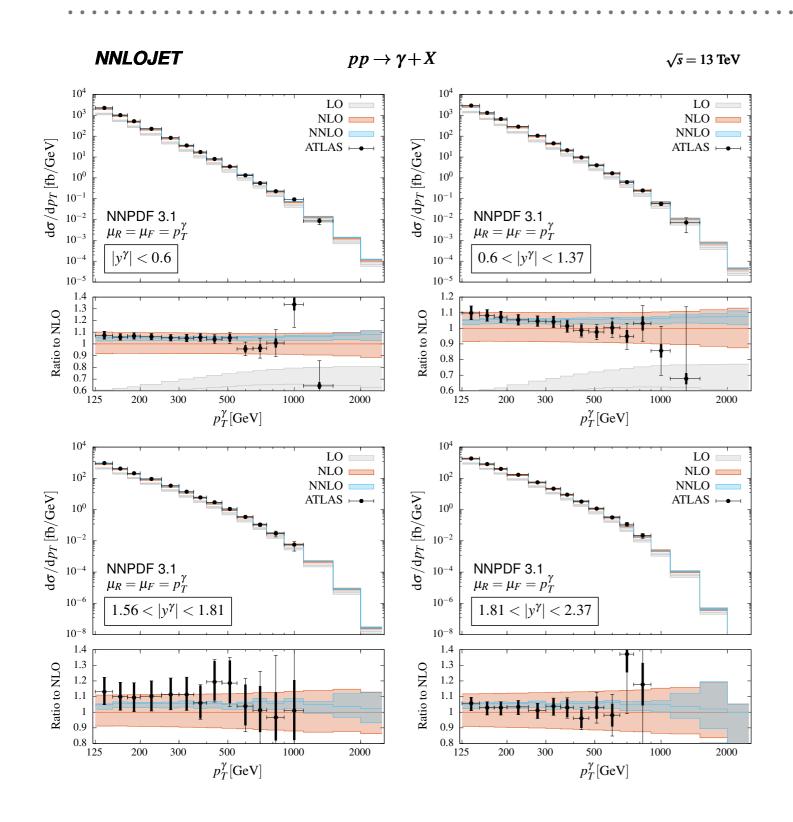
#### Hybrid cone isolation

[Siegert '17]

- 1. narrow dynamic cone  $R_d < R$  (0.1)
- 2. wider fixed cone R (0.4)
- √ eliminates fragmentation part
- √ reduces mismatch to experiment
- $\checkmark$  correct R dependence



### PHOTON PRODUCTION @ 13 TEV



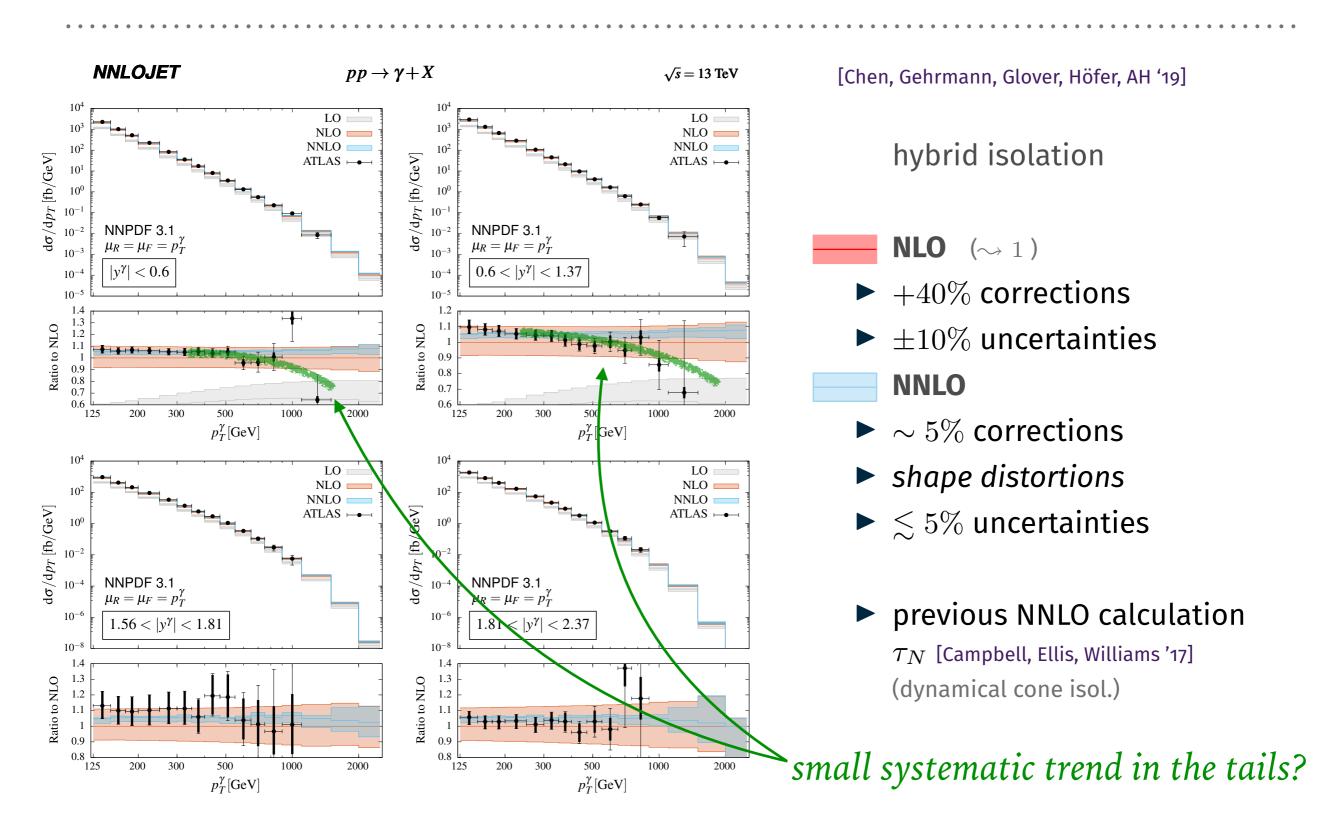
[Chen, Gehrmann, Glover, Höfer, AH '19]

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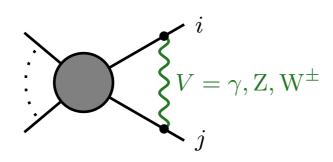


#### **ELECTROWEAK INTERACTIONS**

- ➤ generic size:  $O(a) \sim O(a_s^2)$
- systematic enhancements possible:

#### **SUDAKOV LOGARITHMS**

(kinematic tails)

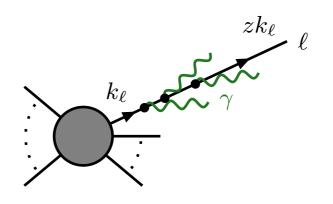


$$\sim \ln^2 \left( \frac{s_{ij}}{M_{\rm W}^2} \right) + \text{sub-leading (collinear)}$$

O(10-20%) corrections!

#### FINAL-STATE RADIATION

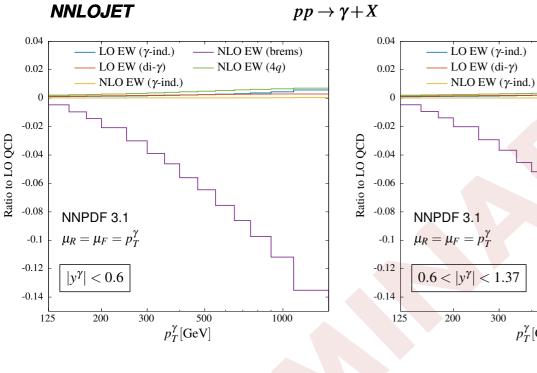
(resonances, shoulders, ...)

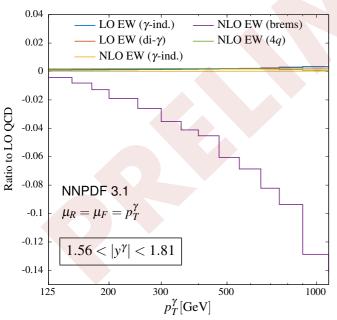


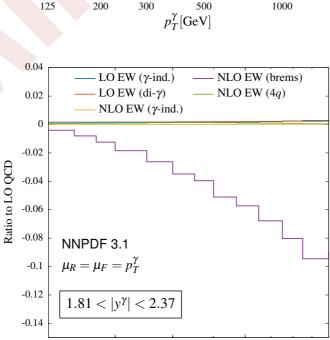
$$\sim \alpha^n \ln^n \left(\frac{Q^2}{m_\ell^2}\right)$$

O(10-100%) corrections!

#### EW CORRECTIONS USING ANTENNAE







 $p_T^{\gamma}[\text{GeV}]$ 

 $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$ 

---- NLO EW (brems)

NLO EW (4q)

➤ dipole subtraction:

$$\sum_{i} \sum_{j \neq i} \mathcal{D}_{ik,j} \otimes |\mathcal{M}(..., \tilde{i}, \tilde{j}, ...)|^{2}$$

➤ antenna subtraction:\*

$$\sum_{i} \sum_{j < i} A_3^0(i, k, j) \otimes |\mathcal{M}(\dots, \tilde{i}, \tilde{j}, \dots)|^2$$

 $\Rightarrow$  reduction in # of terms by  $\times 2!$ 

<sup>\*</sup> fully algorithmic & general

# THE PLAN.

#### 1. Precision Predictions for the LHC

The Antenna Subtraction Formalism

#### 2. Hard QCD Probes

Jets & Photon Production at NNLO

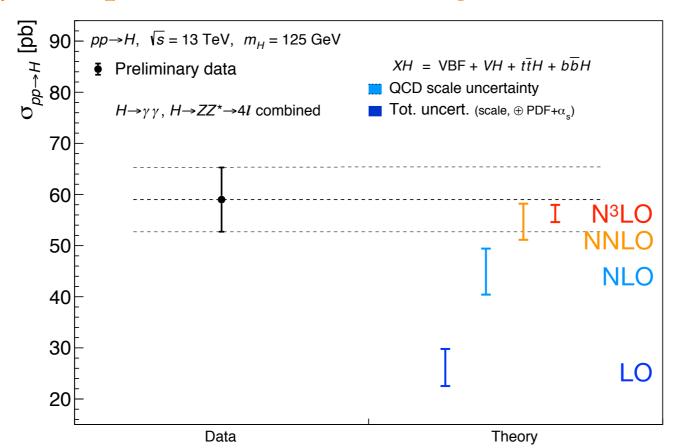
#### 3. Differential Higgs Production

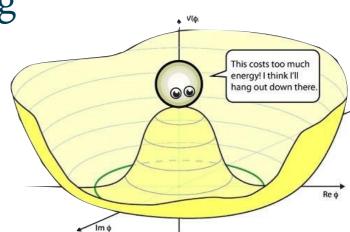
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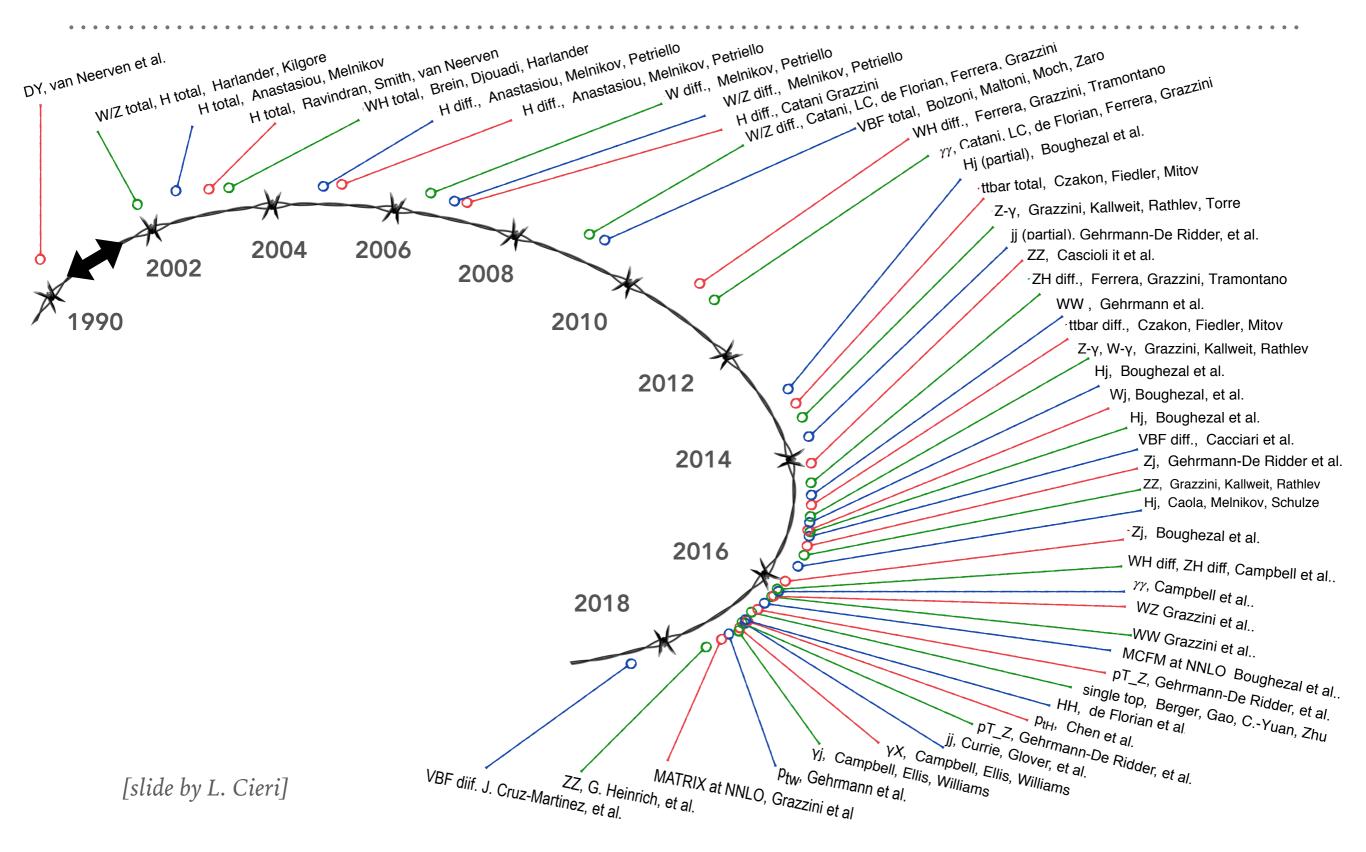
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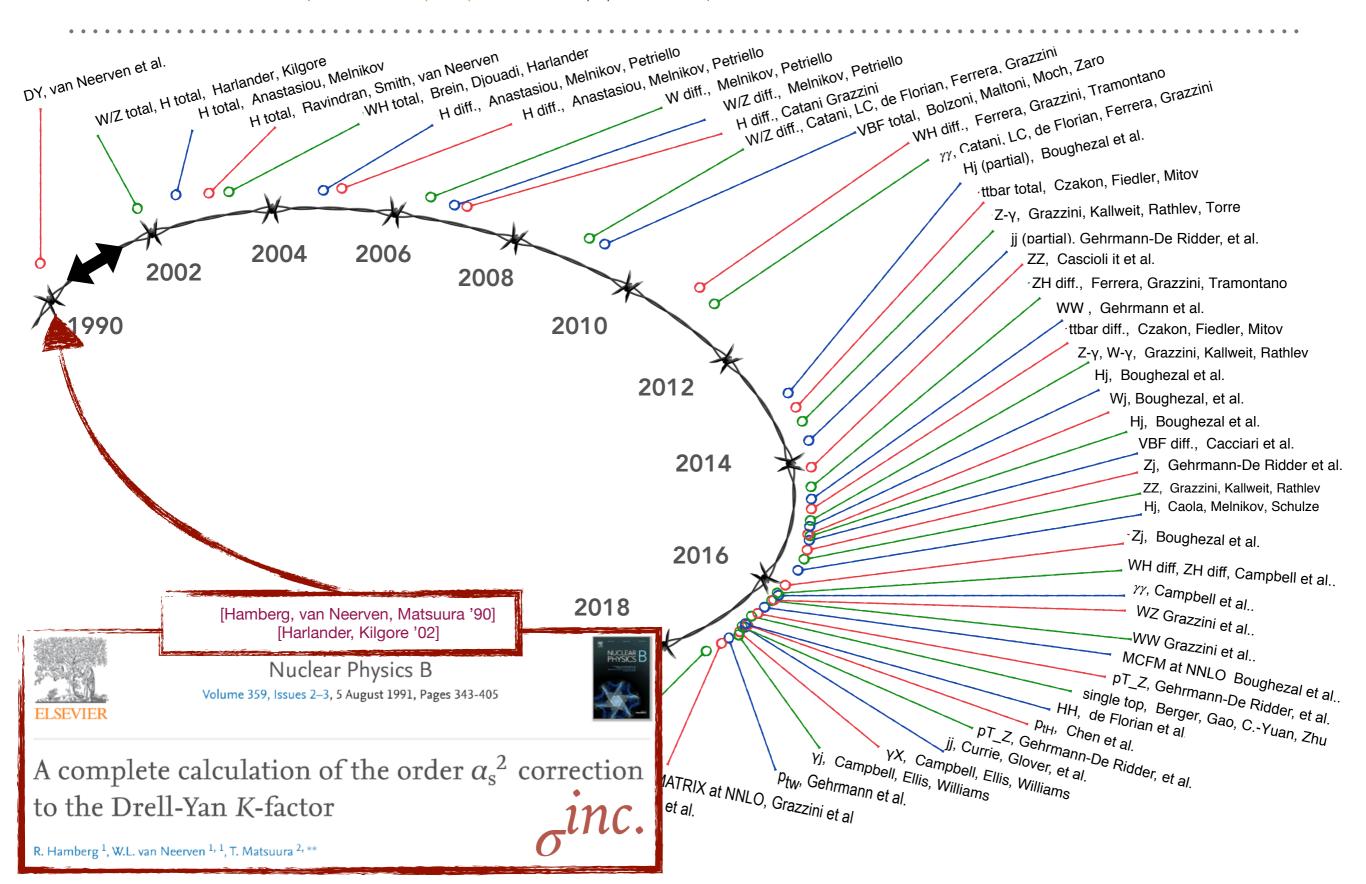
experimental era of Higgs physics just starting

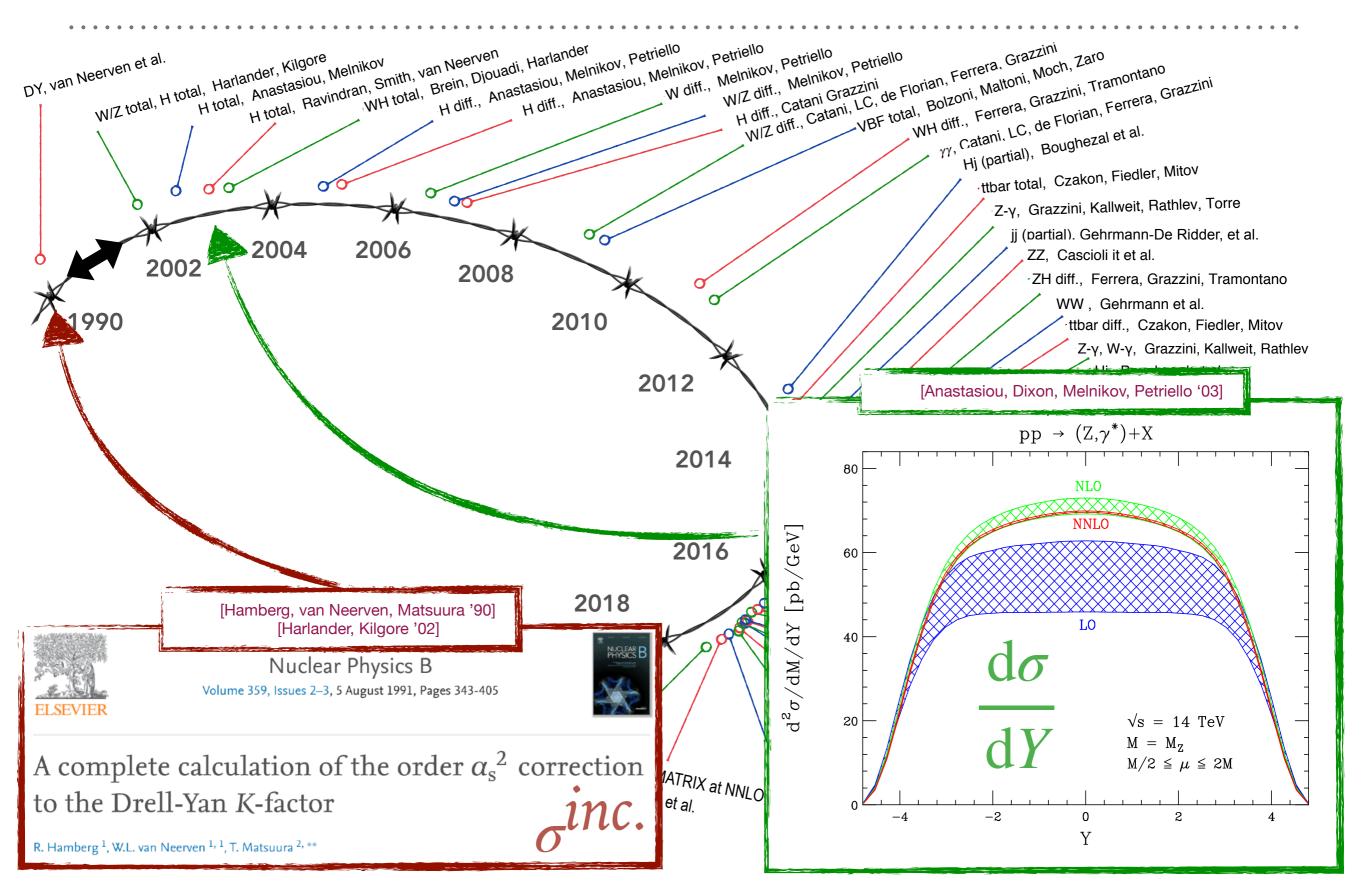
- scrutinise all properties
- couplings/interactions
- probe the potential
- notoriously bad perturbative convergence (need N³LO)

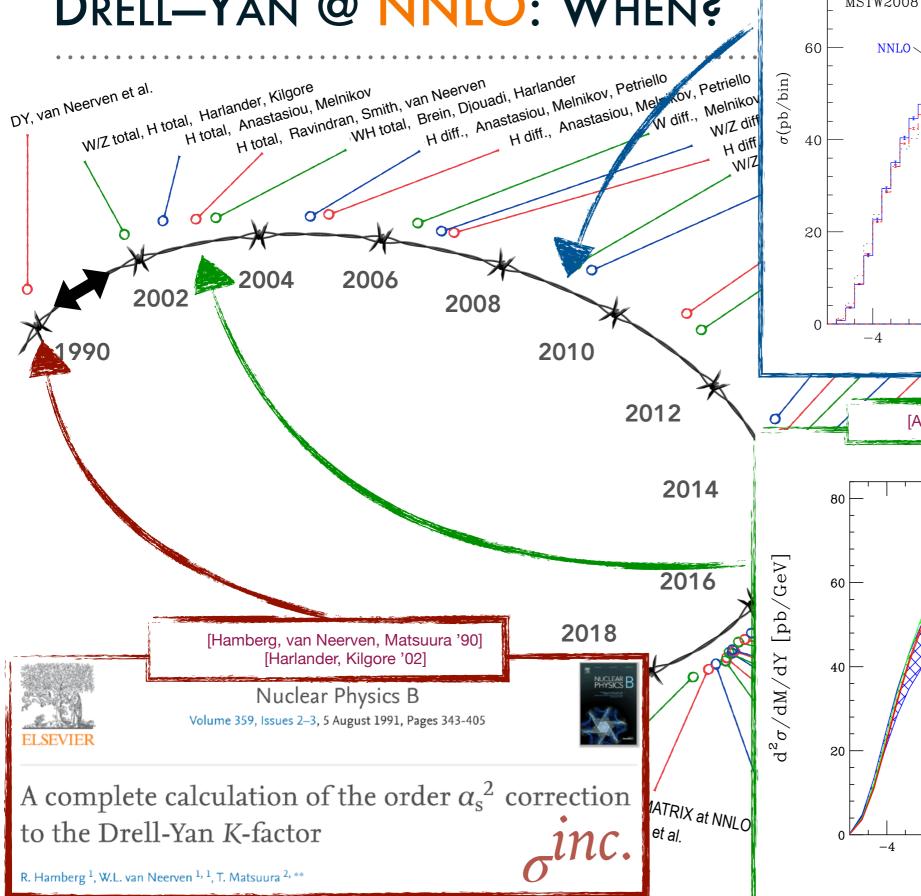


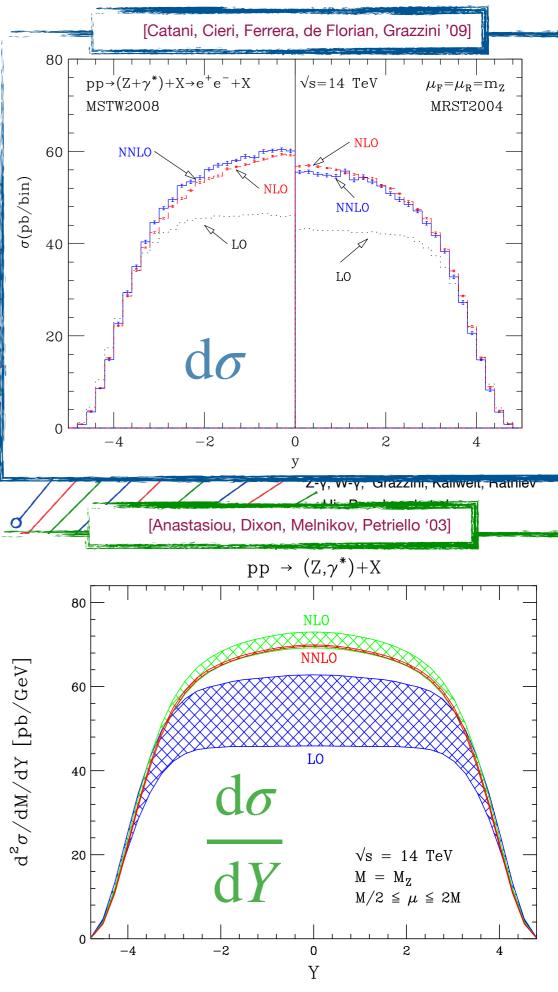












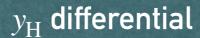
#### LHC — GOING FULLY DIFFERENTIAL @ N3LO

inclusive

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}}^{\text{N}^3\text{LO}} = 48.68 \text{ pb}_{-3.16 \text{ pb}}^{+2.07 \text{ pb}}$$

- ✓ analytic integration over full phase space
- Xno information on final state

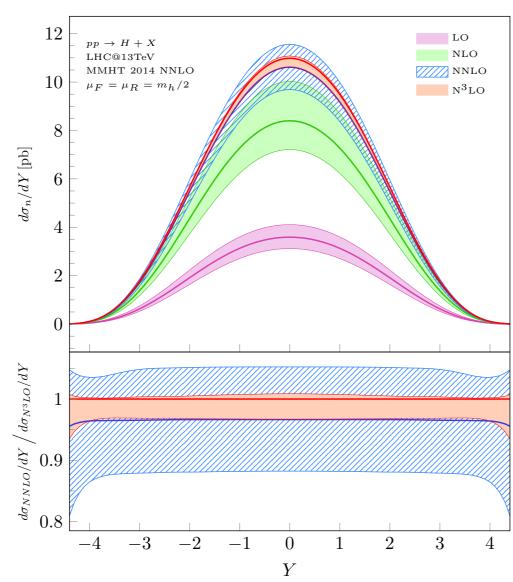
[Anastasiou et al. '15] [Mistlberger '18]



LHC

 $\sigma_{
m tot}^{
m N^3L^0}$ 

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- ✓ analytic integration over QCD emissions
- \*partial information on final state
  - ightharpoonup only  $y_{\rm H} \rightsquigarrow$  no decay kinematics
  - no information on final-state partons

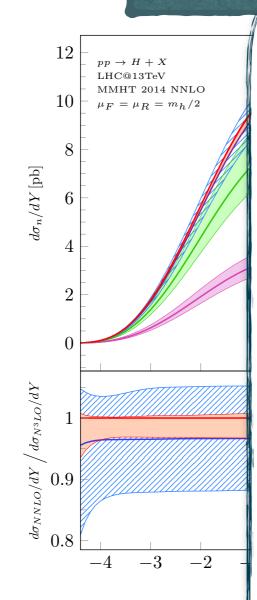
[Dulat, Mistlberger, Pelloni '18]

**13LO** 



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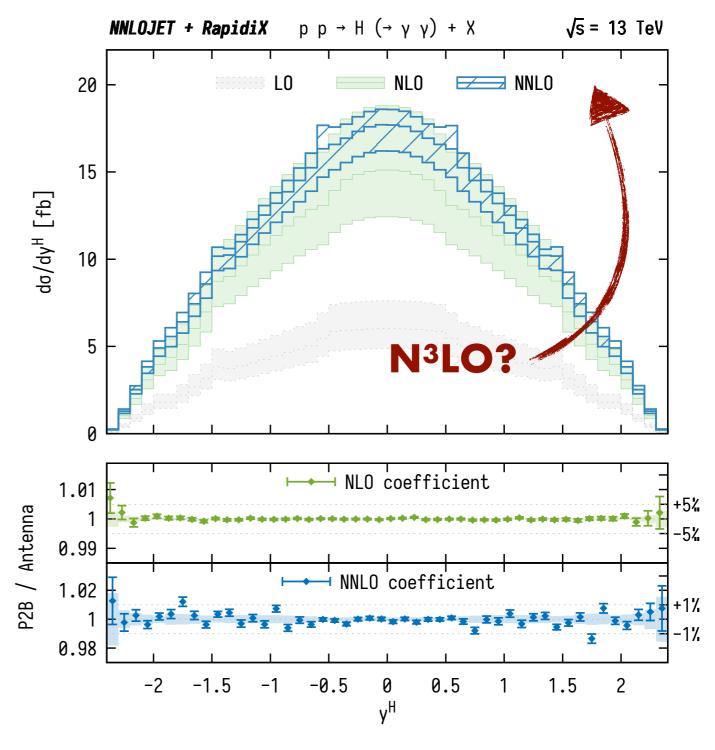
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- ► only  $y_H \rightsquigarrow r$  ✓ numerical integration of phase space
  - ✓ complete final-state information (decay, isol., ...)

[Chen, Dulat, Gehrmann, Glover, AH, Mistlberger, Pelloni (to appear)]

observables projected to Born

fully local counter term

#### THE PROJECTION-TO-BORN METHOD

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma_{F}^{\mathrm{N}^{k}\mathrm{LO}}}{\mathrm{d}\mathcal{O}} = \frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma_{F,\mathrm{inc.}}^{\mathrm{N}^{k}\mathrm{LO}}}{\mathrm{d}\mathcal{O}_{B}} + \left\{ \frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma_{F+\mathrm{jet}}^{\mathrm{N}^{k-1}\mathrm{LO}}}{\mathrm{d}\mathcal{O}} - \frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma_{F+\mathrm{jet}}^{\mathrm{N}^{k-1}\mathrm{LO}}}{\mathrm{d}\mathcal{O}} \Big|_{\mathcal{O}\to\mathcal{O}_{B}} \right\}$$

- start: inclusive calculation
  - → differential in Born variables
- supplement fully differential information:
  - → difference of a "+jet" calculation at one order lower

#### HIGGS @ N3LO USING PROJECTION-TO-BORN





 $d\sigma/dy_{\rm H}$ 

@ N<sup>n</sup>LO

#### HIGGS @ N<sup>3</sup>LO USING PROJECTION-TO-BORN

Projection-to-Born



 $d\sigma/dy_{\rm H}$ 

@ N<sup>n</sup>LO





real-emission phase space:  $d\Phi_{H+n}$ 

$$p_a + p_b \to p_H + k_1 + k_2 + \ldots + k_n$$

ightharpoonup projection to Born:  $d\Phi_{\rm H}$ 

$$\tilde{p}_a + \tilde{p}_b 
ightarrow \tilde{p}_H$$
  $(\tilde{p}_a = \xi_a p_a, \ \tilde{p}_b = \xi_b p_b)$ 

on-shell: 
$$\tilde{p}_{\rm H}^2 \equiv p_{\rm H}^2 = M_{\rm H}^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \xi_a \; \xi_b = \frac{2p_a p_b - 2(p_a + p_b)k_{1...n} + k_{1...n}^2}{2p_a p_b}$$

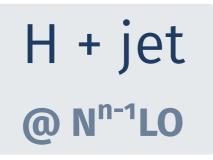
rapidity: 
$$\tilde{y}_{\rm H} \equiv y_{\rm H}$$
  $\Rightarrow$   $\xi_a/\xi_b = \frac{2p_bp_{\rm H}}{2p_ap_{\rm H}}$ 

$$\hookrightarrow$$
 decay products:  $p_{\rm H} \to p_1 + \ldots + p_m$   $(p_i^{\mu} \to \tilde{p}_i^{\mu} = \Lambda^{\mu}_{\nu} p_i^{\nu})$ 

$$(p_i^\mu o { ilde p}_i^\mu = \Lambda^\mu{}_
u \, p_i^
u)$$

$$\Lambda^{\mu}{}_{\nu}(p_{\rm H}, \tilde{p}_{\rm H}) = g^{\mu}{}_{\nu} - \frac{2(p_{\rm H} + \tilde{p}_{\rm H})^{\mu}(p_{\rm H} + \tilde{p}_{\rm H})_{\nu}}{(p_{\rm H} + \tilde{p}_{\rm H})^2} + \frac{2\tilde{p}_{\rm H}^{\mu}p_{\rm H,\nu}}{p_{\rm H}^2}$$

#### HIGGS @ N<sup>3</sup>LO USING PROJECTION-TO-BORN



Projection-to-Born



 $d\sigma/dy_{\rm H}$ @ N<sup>n</sup>LO

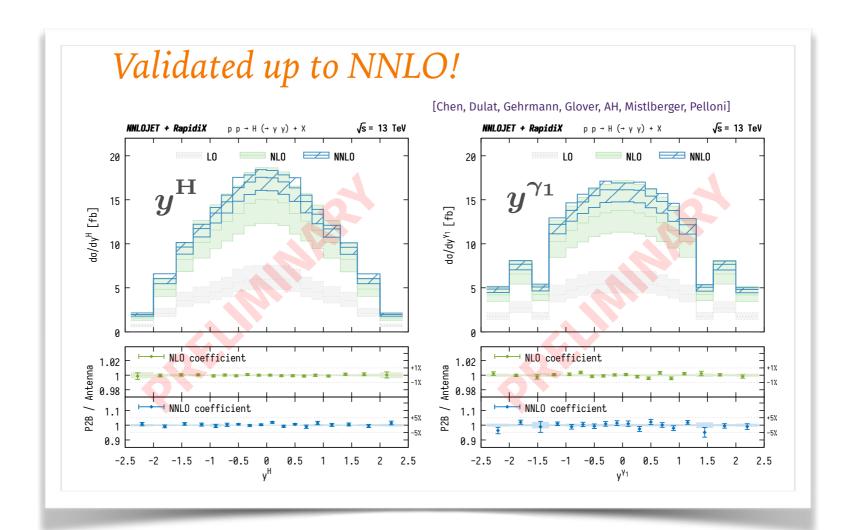








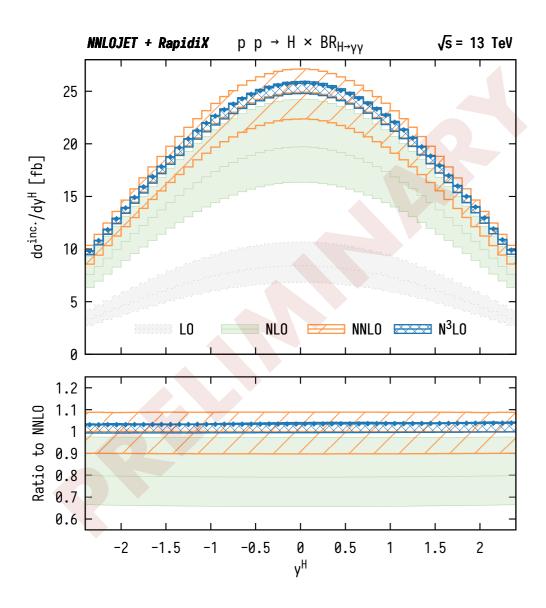
\* Born variables: (Y, M<sup>2</sup>)



# HIGGS @ N<sup>3</sup>LO USING PROJECTION-TO-BORN do/dYH

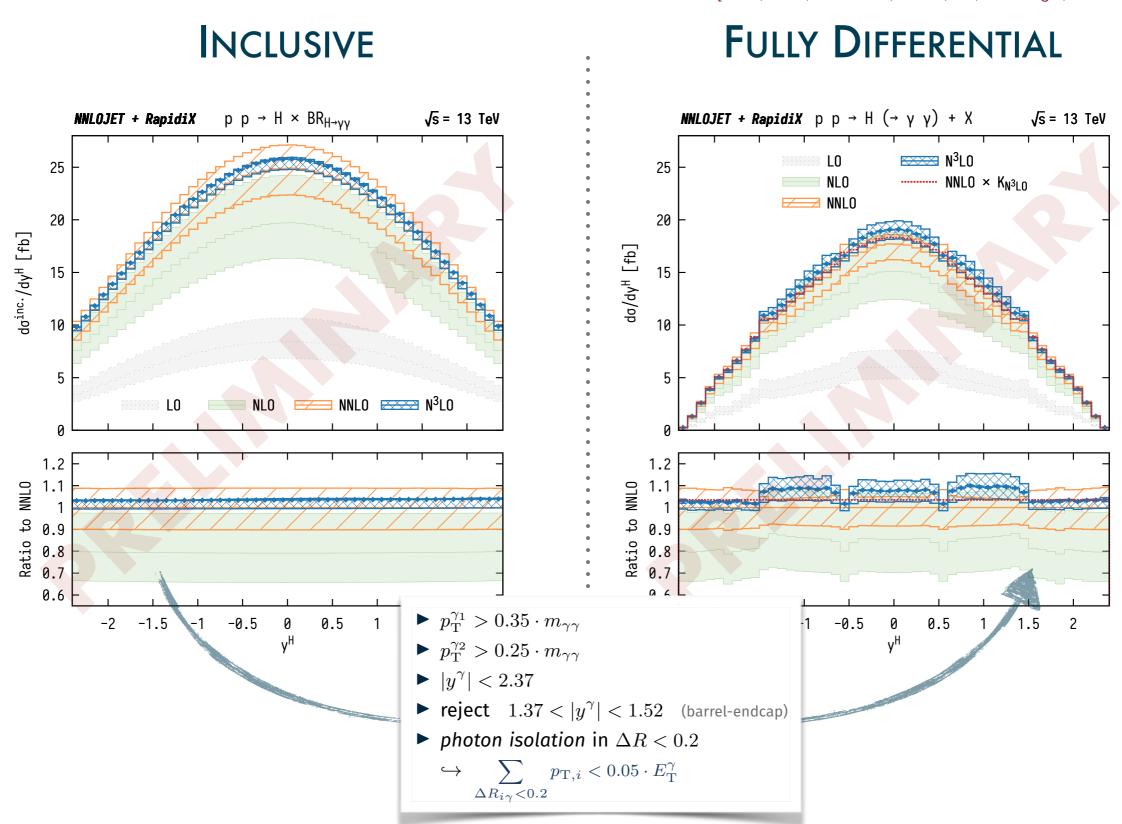
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#### **INCLUSIVE**



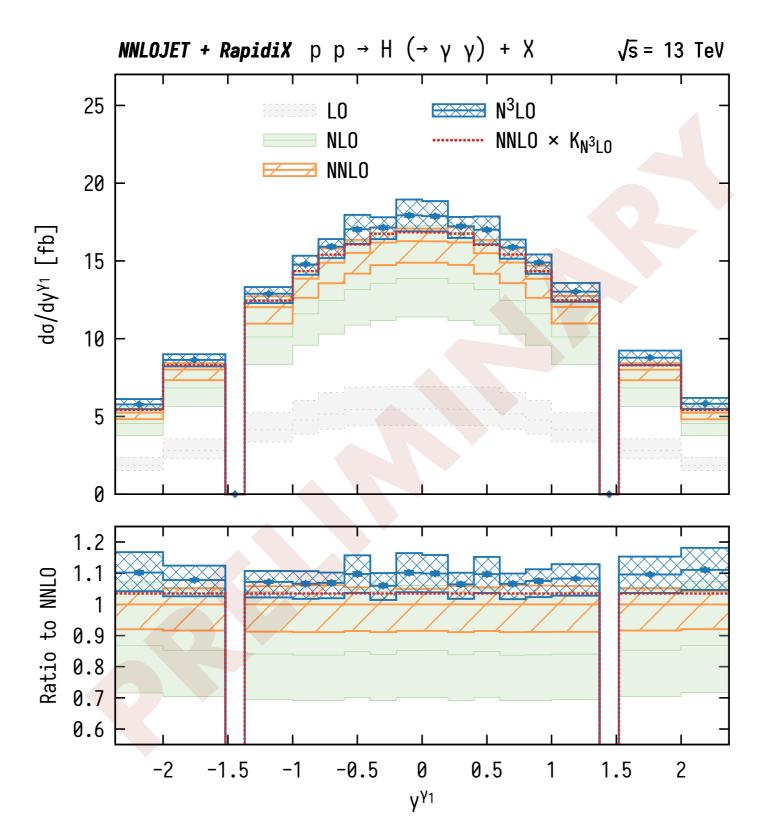
## HIGGS @ N3LO USING PROJECTION-TO-BORN do/dYH

[Chen, Dulat, Gehrmann, Glover, AH, Mistlberger, Pelloni (to appear)]



# HIGGS @ N<sup>3</sup>LO USING PROJECTION-TO-BORN $d\sigma/dy^{\gamma_1}$

[Chen, Dulat, Gehrmann, Glover, AH, Mistlberger, Pelloni (to appear)]



#### PROJECTION-TO-BORN — AN "ANTENNA" VIEW

Consider the real-emission subtraction in the antenna subtraction formalism

for H + 0jet (@ LC):

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#### **Antennae = ratios of** *physical* **Matrix Elements:**

$$F_3^0(i_{
m g},j_{
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m g}) \equiv rac{ exttt{A3g0H}(i_{
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 $\Rightarrow$  Simple processes where antenna  $\simeq$  real-emission Matrix Element  $\leftrightarrow$  Projection-to-Born

Similarly at NNLO:  $X_4^0$  &  $X_3^0$   $\times$   $X_3^0$  are "projections" of RR ME & NLO(+jet) subtraction term.

 $d\sigma_{\mathsf{N^3LO}}/dy_{\mathrm{H}} \simeq \mathsf{integrated}$  antenna:  $\mathcal{X}_5^0$ ,  $\mathcal{X}_4^1$ ,  $\mathcal{X}_3^2$ 

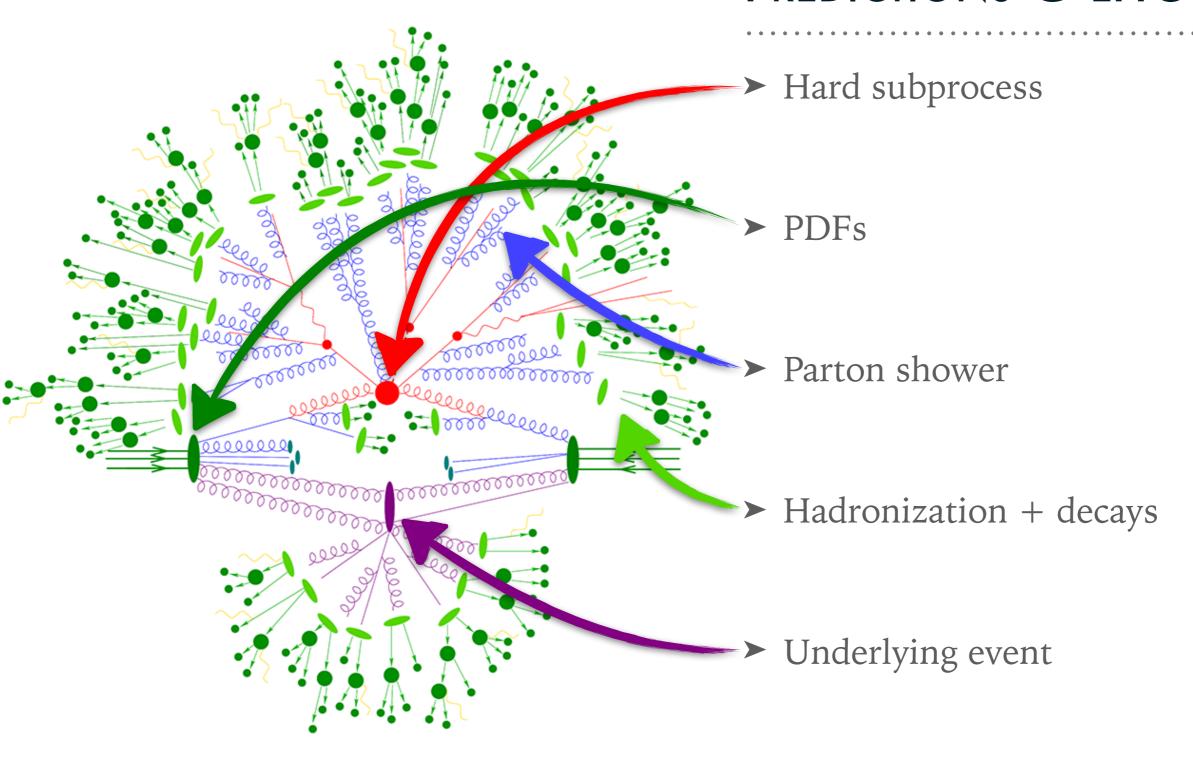
#### CONCLUSIONS & OUTLOOK

- ➤ LHC remarkable opportunity to study high-energy physics
  - search for new physics & probe the Higgs sector
  - precision measurements using "standard candles"
- ⇒ high-precision predictions essential!
- ➤ Antenna Subtraction @ NNLO: pp  $\rightarrow$  "colour neutral" + 0, 1, 2 jets
  - \* reduced uncertainties & often resolves tension to data
  - \* next frontier:  $2 \rightarrow 3$  processes
- ➤ Antenna Subtraction @ NLO EW: (→ × 2 less terms than with dipoles)
  - \* promising first step towards NNLO mixed QCD—EW subtraction
- ightharpoonup exploration of the N<sup>3</sup>LO frontier: pp ightharpoonup "colour neutral"
  - ❖ Projection-to-Born ≃ Antennae
- precision phenomenology using these calculations only started!



# BACKUP.

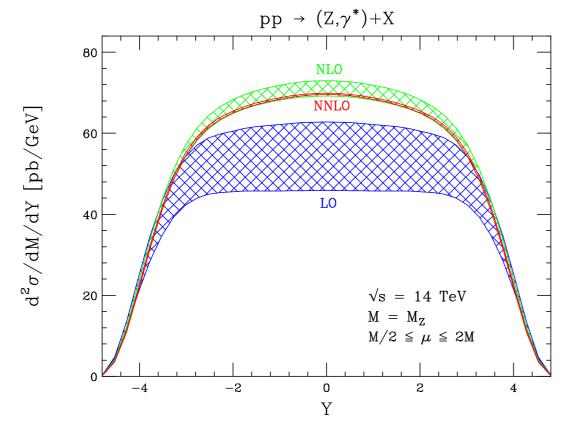
# PREDICTIONS @ LHC



➤ Jets, substructure, res.

#### WHY HIGHER ORDERS?

- high-precision mandatory
  - $\hookrightarrow$  processes with large K-factors (H)
  - $\hookrightarrow$  "standard candles" (jets, V, t, ...)
- reduction of scale uncertainties
  - $\hookrightarrow$  variation of  $\mu_{
    m R}$  &  $\mu_{
    m F}$



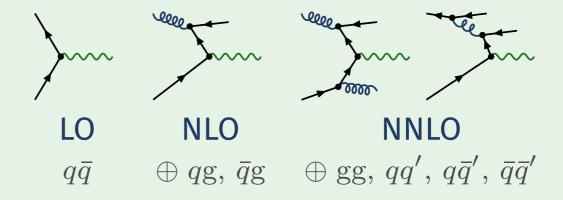
[Anastasiou, Dixon, Melnikov, Petriello '04]

#### Jet clustering



better modelling of jet algorithm between theory & experiment

#### Initial-state radiation



- opening up of all channels
- ightharpoonup more complicated  $p_{
  m T}$  recoil

#### SUBTRACTION METHODS — CANCEL ∞'S

➤ Remarkable progress in the development of methods to perform NNLO computations!

(not an exhaustive list)	local subtraction	analytic	pp collisions	final-state jet(s)
Antenna	(local after rot <sup>n</sup> )	✓	✓	✓
CoLorFul	✓	✓	×	<b>√</b>
$q_{ m T}$ -Subtr.	×	✓	✓	(only t)
STRIPPER / nested soft-coll.	<b>√</b>	<b>X</b> / <b>√</b>	✓	✓
N-jettiness	×	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	$(\leq 1 \text{ jet so far})$

Projection-to-Born, Local Analytic Sectors, Geometric, ...

<sup>\*</sup> more painful with massless particles

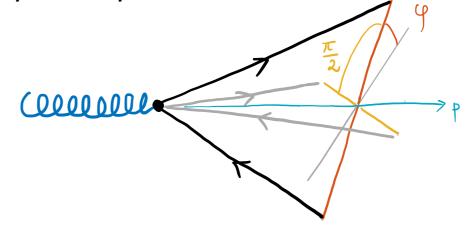
#### WHAT ABOUT ANGULAR TERMS?!

- ▶ Antenna subtraction:  $X_n^l |\mathcal{A}_m|^2 \leftrightarrow \text{spin averaged!}$
- angular terms in gluon splittings:

$$P_{g \to q\bar{q}} = \frac{2}{s_{ij}} \left[ -g^{\mu\nu} + 4z(1-z) \frac{k_{\perp}^{\mu} k_{\perp}^{\nu}}{k_{\perp}^{2}} \right]$$

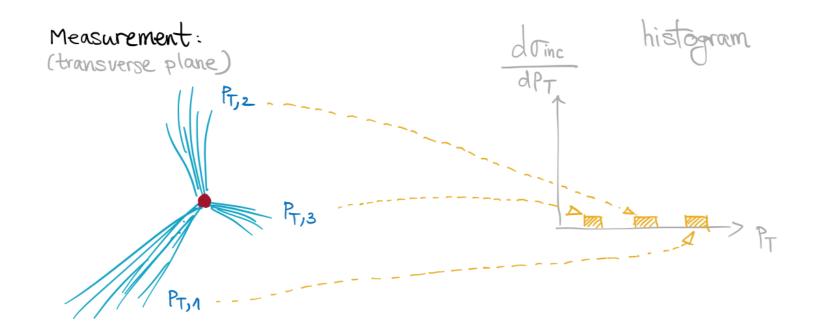
- → subtraction non-local in these limits!
- $\hookrightarrow$  vanish upon azimuthal-angle ( $\varphi$ ) average ( $\Rightarrow$  do not enter  $\mathcal{X}$ )
- sol. 1: supplement angular terms in the subtraction
- sol. 2: exploit  $\varphi$  dependence & average in the phase space

$$egin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_{\mu}^{*} & rac{k_{\perp}^{\mu} k_{\perp}^{
u}}{k_{\perp}^{2}} \; \mathcal{A}_{
u} \; \sim \; \cos(2arphi + arphi_{0}) \ & \Rightarrow \; \operatorname{\mathsf{add}} \; arphi \; \; & \; (arphi + \pi/2)! \end{aligned}$$



$$ec{r} \longrightarrow \mathsf{PS}_{\mathsf{gen.}} \longrightarrow \left[ egin{array}{ll} \{p_i, & p_j, & \ldots\} \\ \{p_i', & p_j', & \ldots\} \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{(i \parallel j)} \left[ egin{array}{ll} \{p_i^{oldsymbol{arphi}}, & p_j^{oldsymbol{arphi}}, & \ldots\} \\ \{p_i^{oldsymbol{arphi}+\pi/2}, & p_j^{oldsymbol{arphi}+\pi/2}, & p_j^{oldsymbol{arphi}}, & \ldots\} \end{array} \right]$$

#### INCLUSIVE JET PRODUCTION

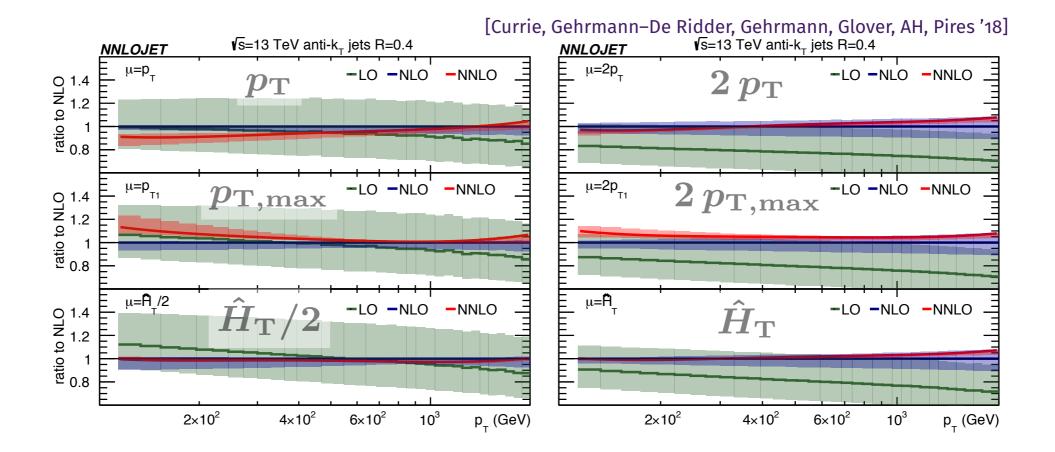


$$\left\{ egin{array}{ll} n \ {
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ight\} \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \left\{ egin{array}{ll} n \ {
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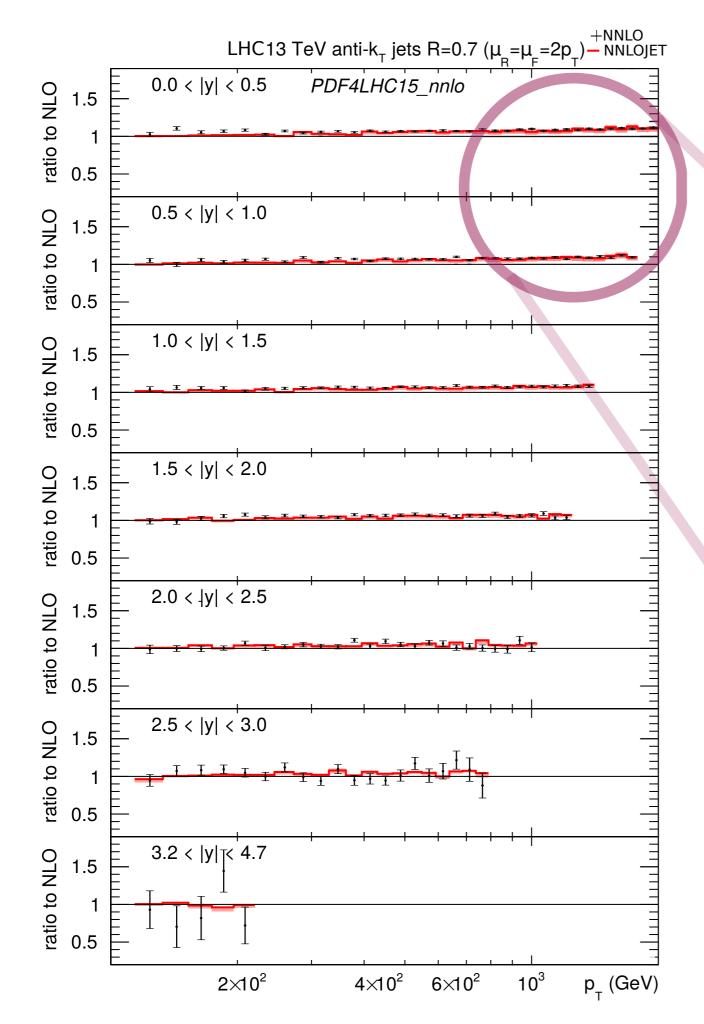
#### scale choices binning of individual jets vs. events

- "global" scales (event):  $p_{\mathrm{T,max}}$ ,  $\langle p_{\mathrm{T}} \rangle$ , ...
- "local" scales (jet):  $p_T$ , ...

# INCLUSIVE JET PRODUCTION — SCALE CHOICES (R=0.4)

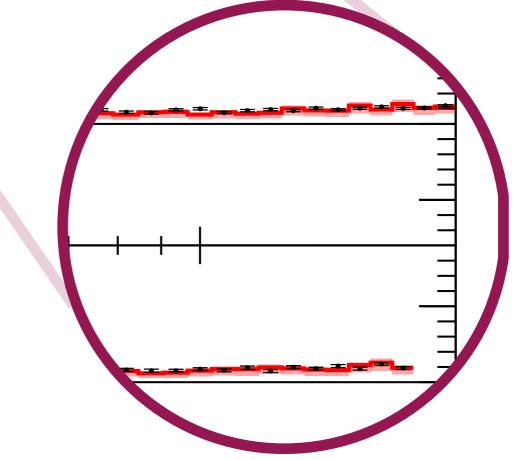


- ▶ most common choice:  $\mu = p_{\rm T}$  &  $\mu = p_{\rm T,max}$
- ▶ harder scales preferred:  $\mu = 2 p_{\rm T} \, \& \, \mu = \hat{H}_{\rm T}$ 
  - $\hookrightarrow$  show good properties
- origin: infrared sensitivity of the inclusive-jet observable
  - $\hookrightarrow$  driven by 2<sup>nd</sup> leading jet distribution  $p_{\mathrm{T}}^{j_2}$  (very small @ NLO)
  - $\hookrightarrow$  mismatch between real & virtual corrections (alleviated with larger R)

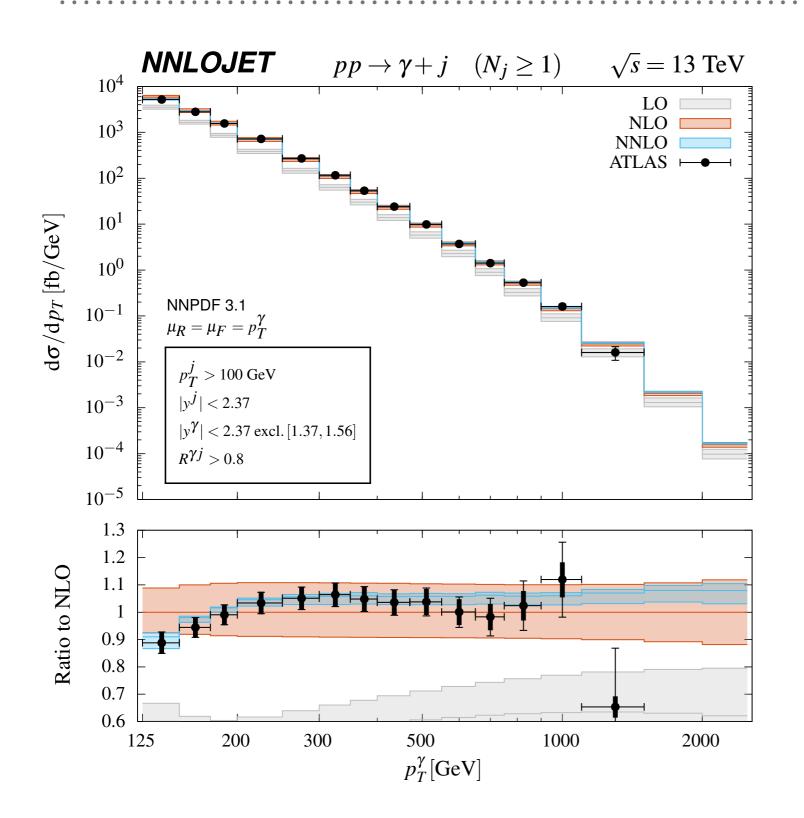


#### Two Calculations!

- NNLOJET [Currie, Glover, Pires '16]
- STRIPPER [Czakon, van Hameren, Mitov, Poncelet '19]
  - excellent agreement
  - sub-leading colour negligible (missing in NNLOJET)



#### PHOTON + JET @ 13 TEV



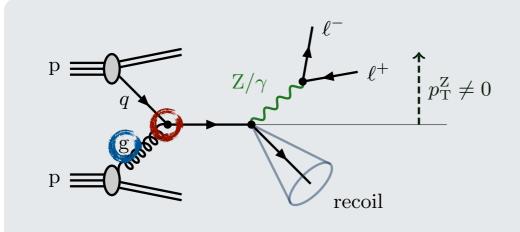
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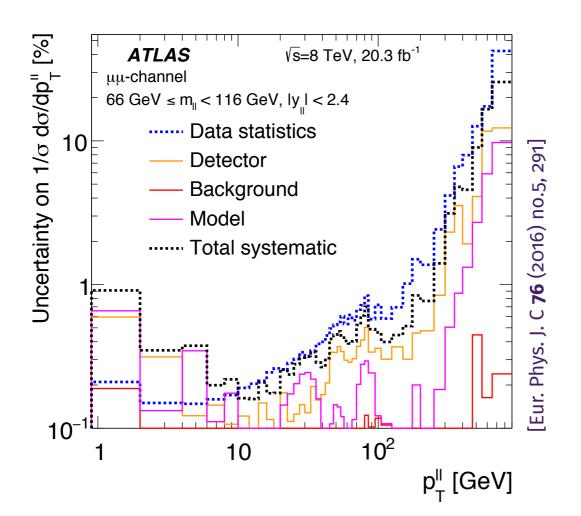
#### TOWARDS PER-CENT PHENOMENOLOGY



$$p p \rightarrow Z/\gamma^* + X \rightarrow \ell^- \ell^+ + X$$

- ► large cross section
- clean leptonic signature

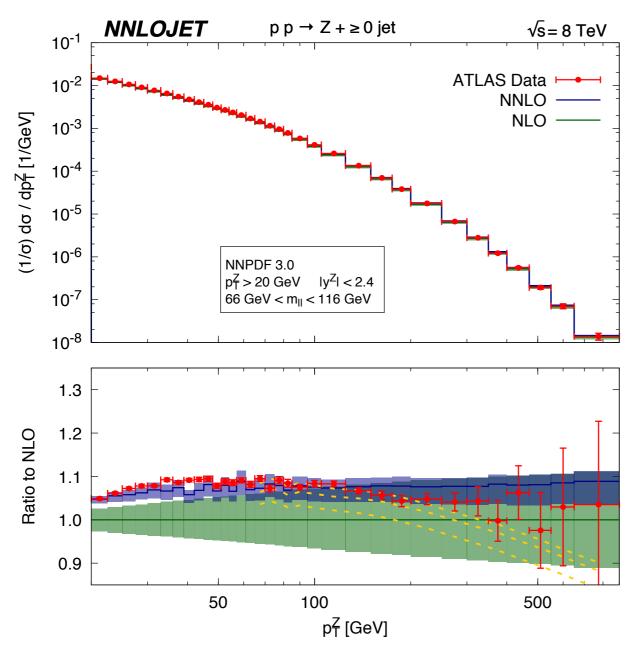
 $m recoil 
ightarrow sensitivity to lpha_{
m s}$  gluon PDF



- ► only reconstruct  $\ell^+$ ,  $\ell^ \sim$  sub-% accuracy!
- ► important constraints in PDF fits [Boughezal et al. '17]
- probe various theory aspects:

very low  $p_T$  non-pert. effects low  $p_T$  resummation interm.  $p_T$  fixed order high  $p_T$  EW Sudakov logs

# INCLUSIVE PT SPECTRUM



[Gehrmann-De Ridder, Gehrmann, Glover, AH, Morgan '16]

$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \cdot \frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma}{\mathrm{d}p_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{Z}}}$$

► removes luminosity error (~ 3%)

undershoots data by 5–10%

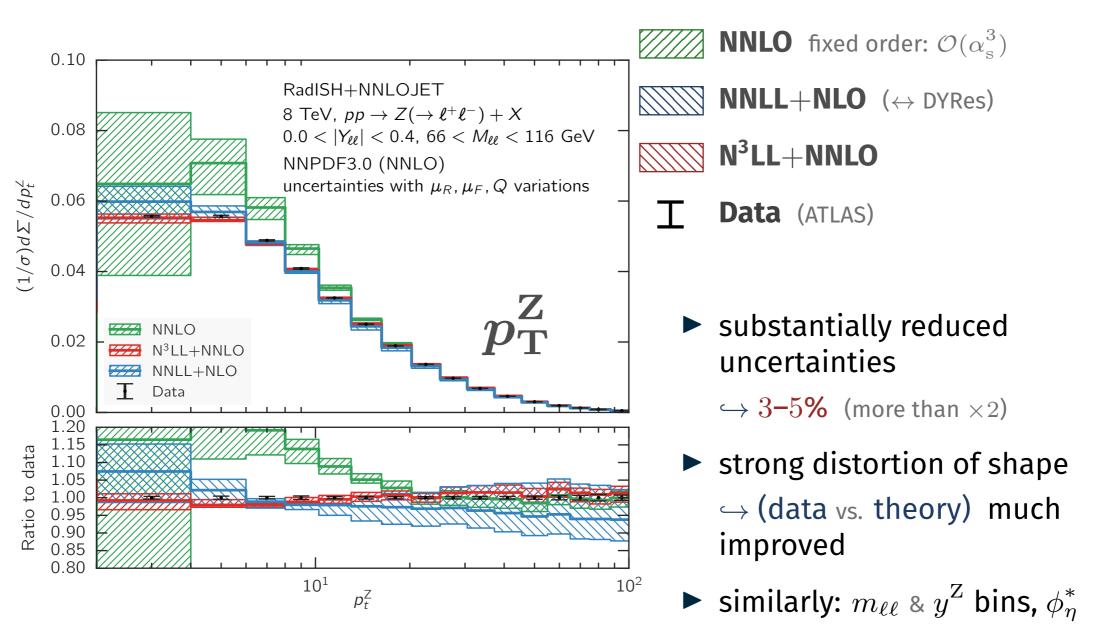
#### - NNLO

significant improvement in Data vs. Theory comparison

- + EW corrections: - - [Denner, Dittmaier, Kasprzik, Mück '11]
- $\Rightarrow$  large impact in the high- $p_{\rm T}$  tail  $\sim -20\%$  for  $p_{\rm T}^{\rm Z} \sim 900~{
  m GeV}$  (Sudakov logatithms)

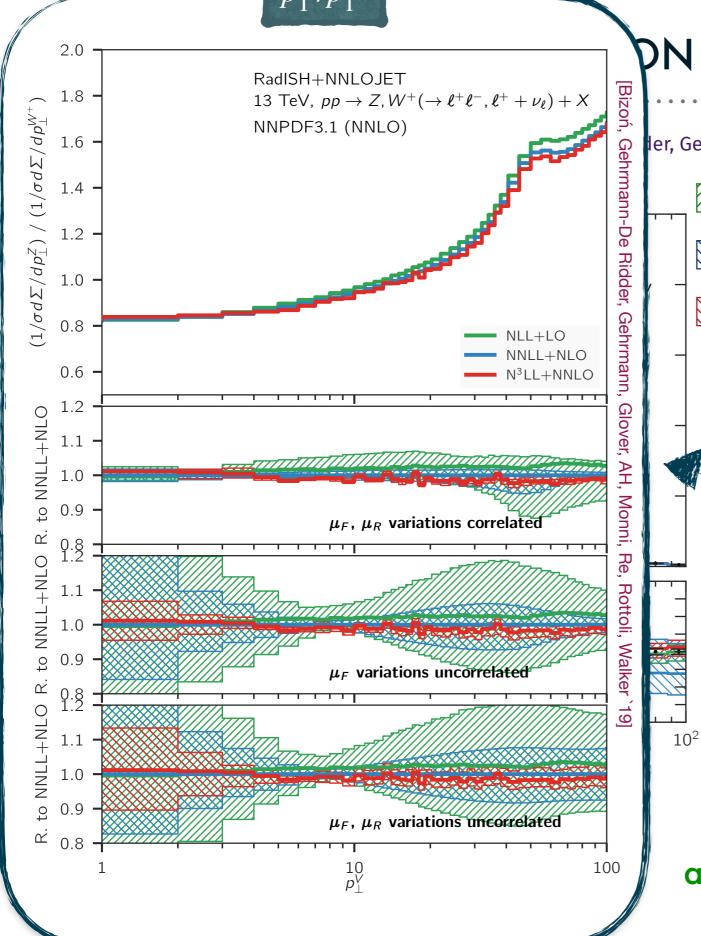
#### FIXED ORDER + RESUMMATION — NNLO + N3LL

[Bizoń, Chen, Gehrmann-De Ridder, Gehrmann, Glover, AH, Monni, Re, Rottoli, Torrielli '18]



also:  $p_{
m T}^{
m W}$  &  $p_{
m T}^{
m W}/p_{
m T}^{
m Z}$  (for  $M_{
m W}$ )





#### DN — NNLO + N3LL

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**NNLO** fixed order:  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_{\mathrm{s}}^3)$ 

 $NNLL+NLO \ (\leftrightarrow DYRes)$ 

N<sup>3</sup>LL+NNLO

**Data** (ATLAS)

- substantially reduced uncertainties
- ightharpoonup similarly:  $m_{\ell\ell} \ \& \ y^{
  m Z}$  bins,  $\phi_\eta^*$

also:  $p_{
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### DIS<sub>1</sub> @ N<sup>3</sup>LO using Projection-to-Born

DIS 2 jet

[Currie, Gehrmann, Niehues '16]
[Currie, Gehrmann, AH, Niehues '17]

CC: [Niehues, Walker '18]

Projection-to-Born



[Cacciari, et al. '15]

DIS structure function



[Moch, Vermaseren, Vogt '05]

DIS fully differential

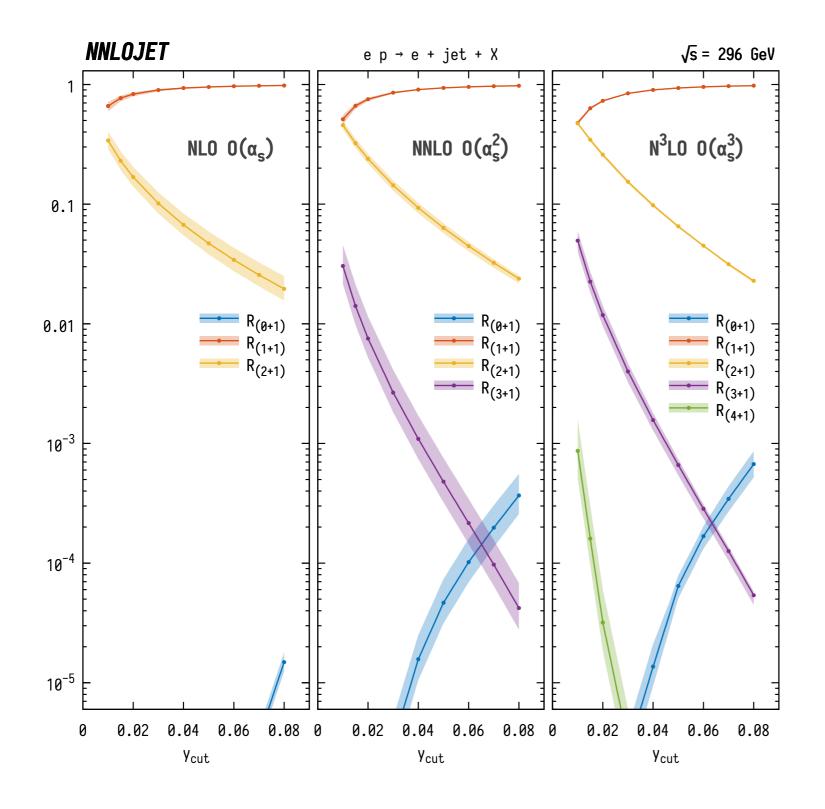
 $\bigcirc$  N<sup>3</sup>LO

[Currie, Gehrmann, Glover, AH, Niehues, Vogt. '18] **CC:** [Gehrmann, Glover, AH, Niehues, Walker, Vogt '18]

\* Born variables:  $(x, Q^2)$ 

# JET RATES (NEUTRAL-CURRENT DIS1)

[Currie, Gehrmann, Glover, AH, Niehues, Vogt. '18]



#### Jet rates:

$$R_{(n+1)} = N_{(n+1)}/N_{\text{tot}}$$

#### JADE algorithm

 $\hookrightarrow$  cluster partons if:

$$\frac{2E_i E_j (1 - \cos \theta_{ij})}{W^2} < y_{\text{cut}}$$

#### HIGGS @ N<sup>3</sup>LO USING PROJECTION-TO-BORN ACCEPTANCES

[Chen, Dulat, Gehrmann, Glover, AH, Mistlberger, Pelloni (to appear)]

