

QCD at LHC: theoretical developments

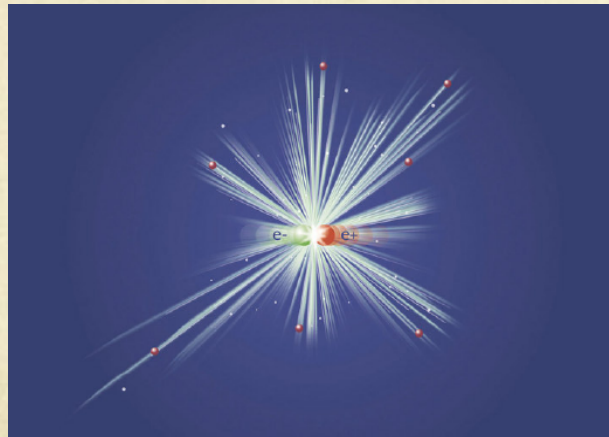
(mostly within the last 1 year)

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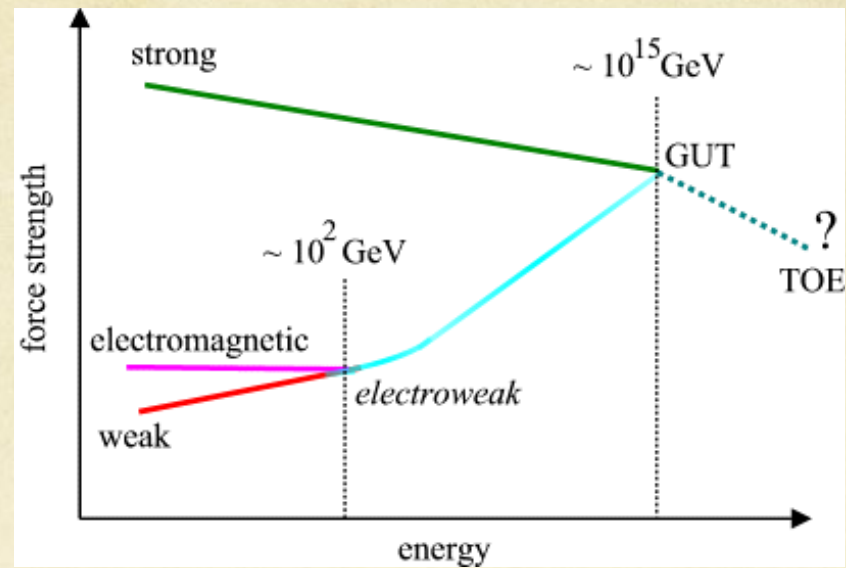


Particle physics is driven by the belief that:



... are driven and described by the same microscopic forces

Here is the particle physicist's picture of the world:



It is all about the desert; what is it – what's its nature?

Is it merely a desert?



Or an oasis?



Or perhaps a jungle?

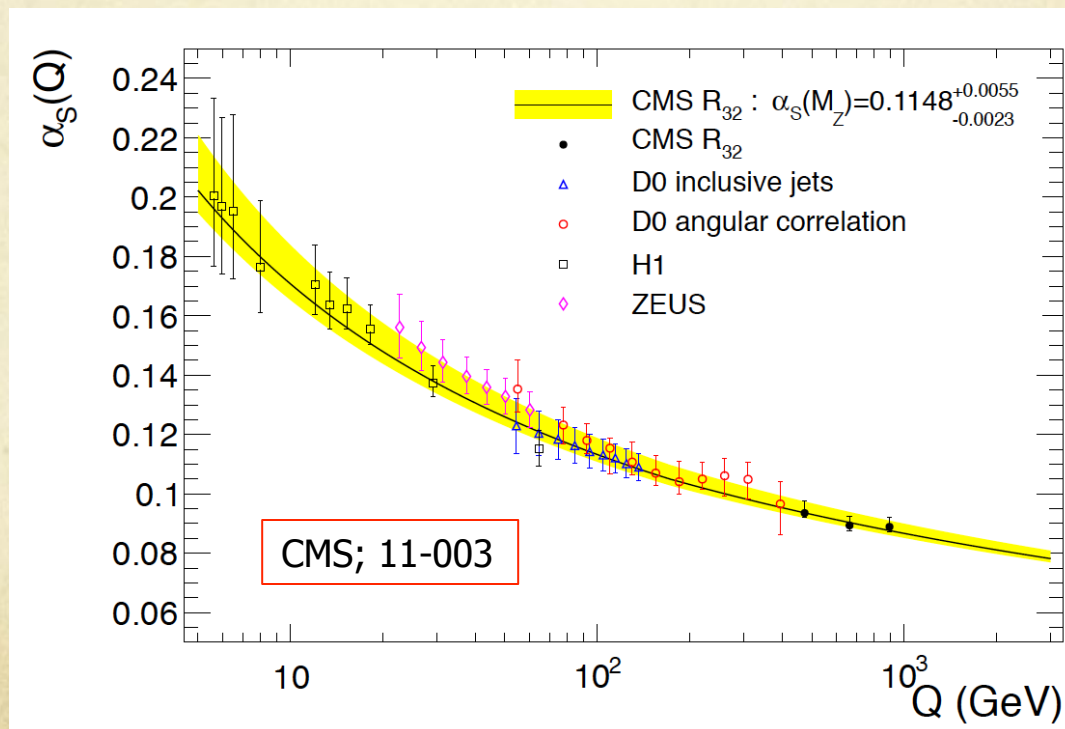
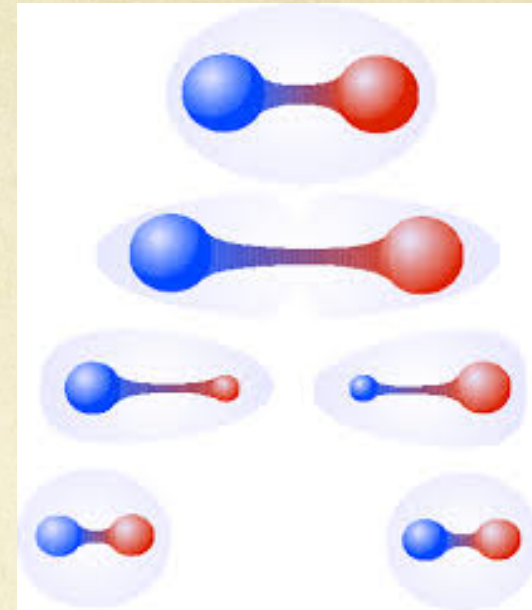


There are several important problems that are in the realm of particle physics:

Ex: **Confinement:**

- ✓ An outstanding problem.
- ✓ Yet we know how to go around it and keep making progress.

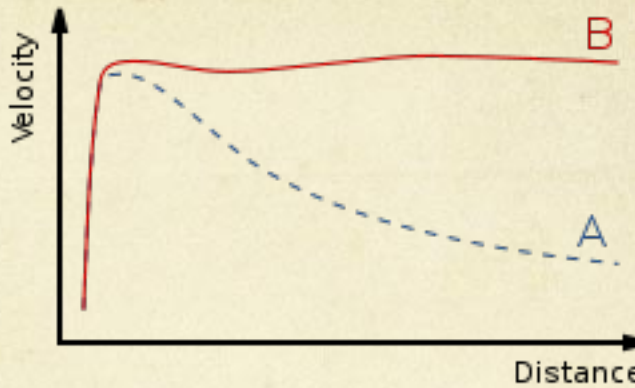
Proof: The LHC



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The Dark Matter Problem

The famous galactic rotation curves problem:

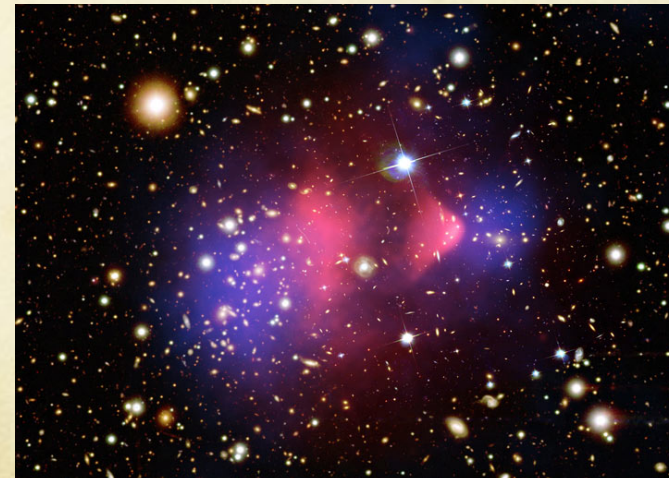
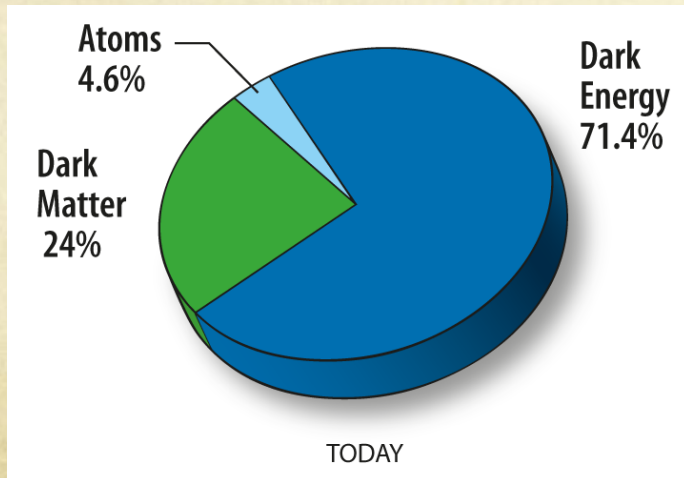


Fritz Zwicky '1933

Dramatic departure from the expectation based on Newtonian dynamics



Especially after WMAP it became clear that:



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Why did I bring Dark Matter into this discussion?

Dark matter is a different story:

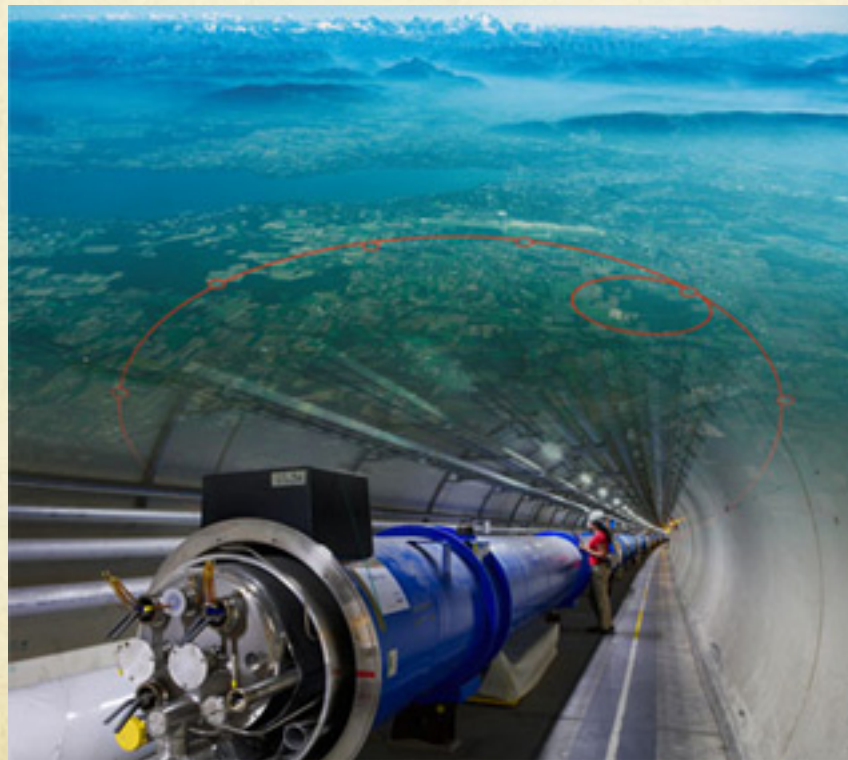
- ✓ We do not know how to solve it
 - ✓ And we do not know how to circumvent it ...
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- ✓ It has to have some microscopic explanation
 - ✓ (more subtle) If there is a jungle of particles in the desert, then such new physics offers Dark Matter candidates.

In a way, conceptually, New Physics implies a resolution to the dark matter problem.

The opposite is not quite true:

We should view the absence of bSM physics at the LHC, if it comes to that, as a strong guide for understanding the mystery of Dark Matter

The modern physics at particle accelerators



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We have had great successes at accelerator-based physics in the recent past

Discovered Higgs boson:



... established the CKM paradigm:



40 years of tireless scrutiny: no deviation from the SM so far

- The apparent success of the SM can hardly be overstated.
- Yet, there is much more to do!

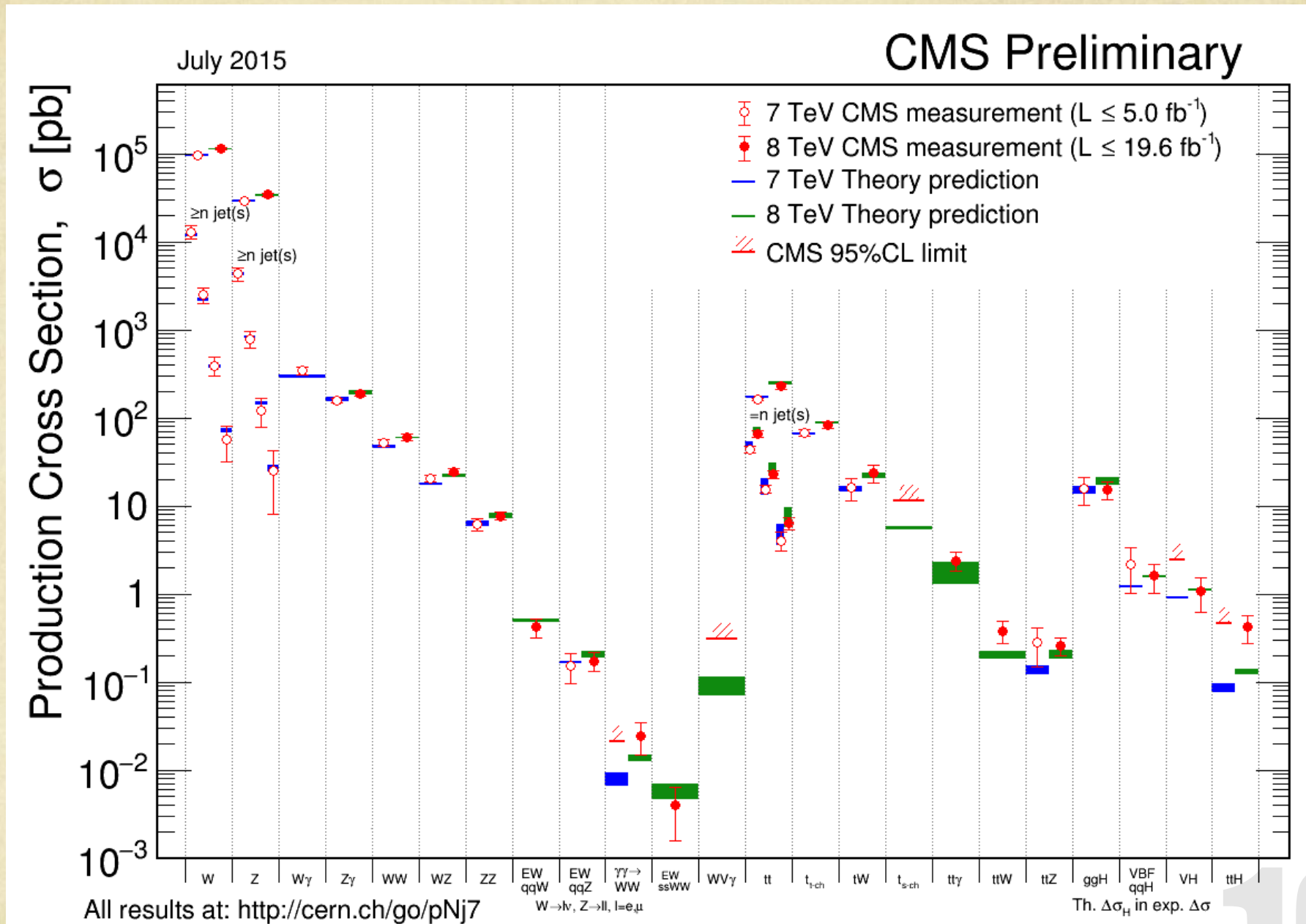
The role of QCD at Colliders (LHC)

- QCD is everywhere (we collide hadrons, we measure hadrons; strong coupling is largest in SM)
- How QCD helps:
 - Increases the accuracy of SM predictions for signals that we care about
 - Higgs
 - PDF's and α_s
 - Vector bosons
 - Jets
 - Top quarks (incl. results on top quark mass)
 - QCD and BSM searches
- For the QCD aficionados (and, yes, there are many of them)
 - LO is long dead, live NLO! (despite the fact that I'll focus on NNLO)
 - Parton showers, resummation and all that

Lifting the accuracy of SM predictions



Here is the big picture



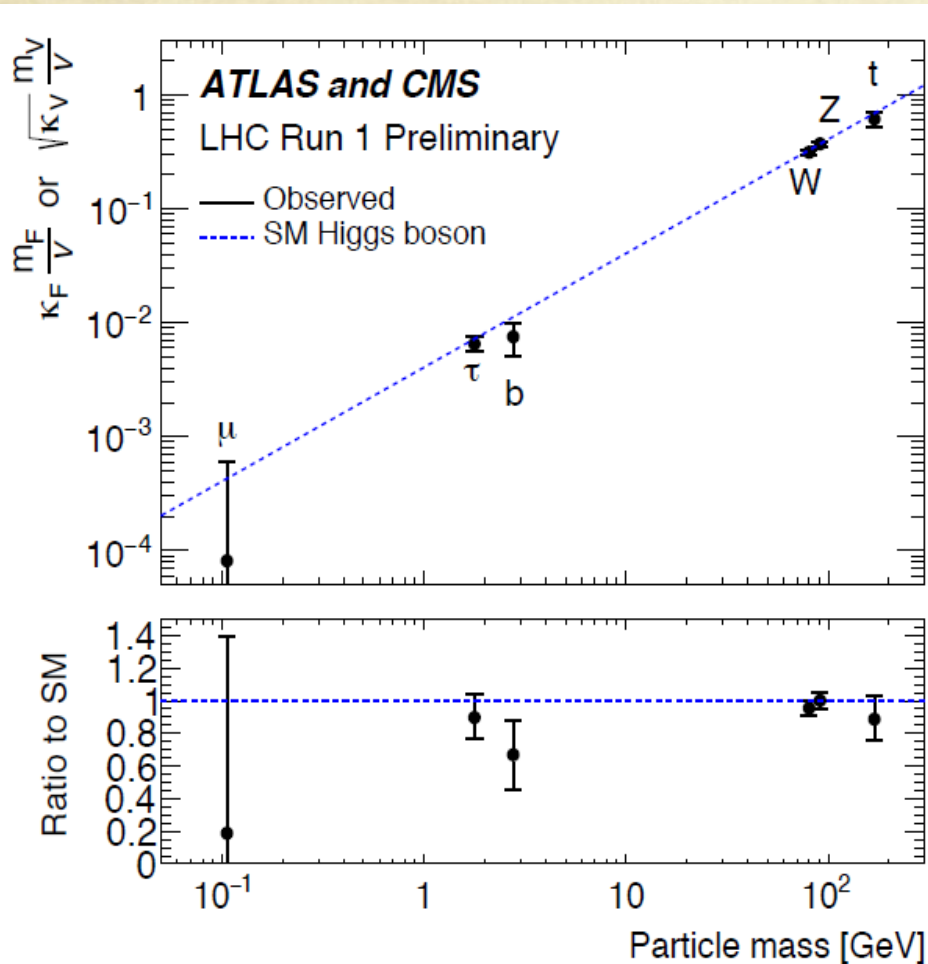
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- LHC Run I: impressively broad agreement with SM!

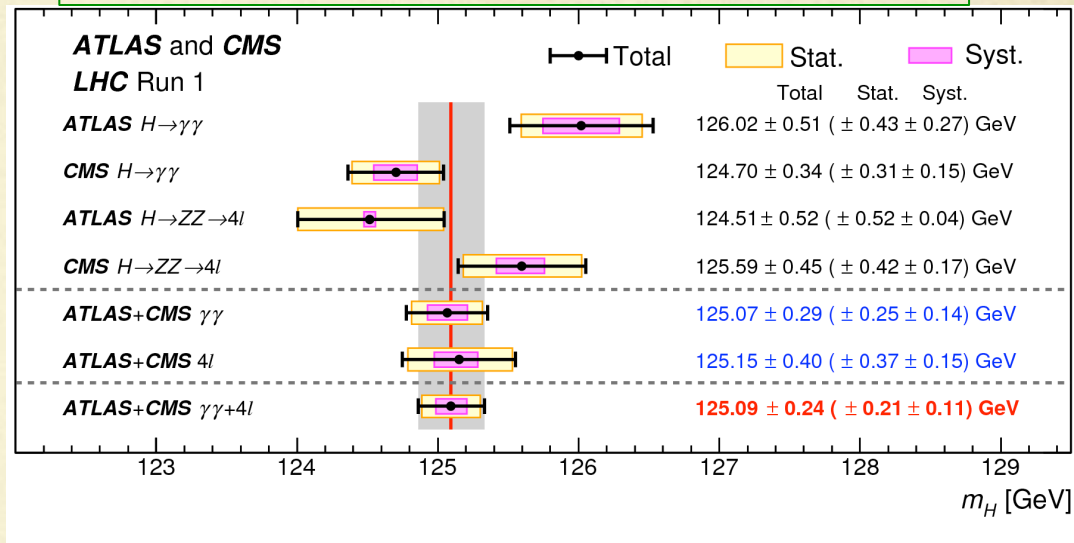
Higgs

- LHC Run I discovered the Higgs and established it is SM-like

Higgs couplings, assuming SM:



Higgs mass measurements (2 channels):

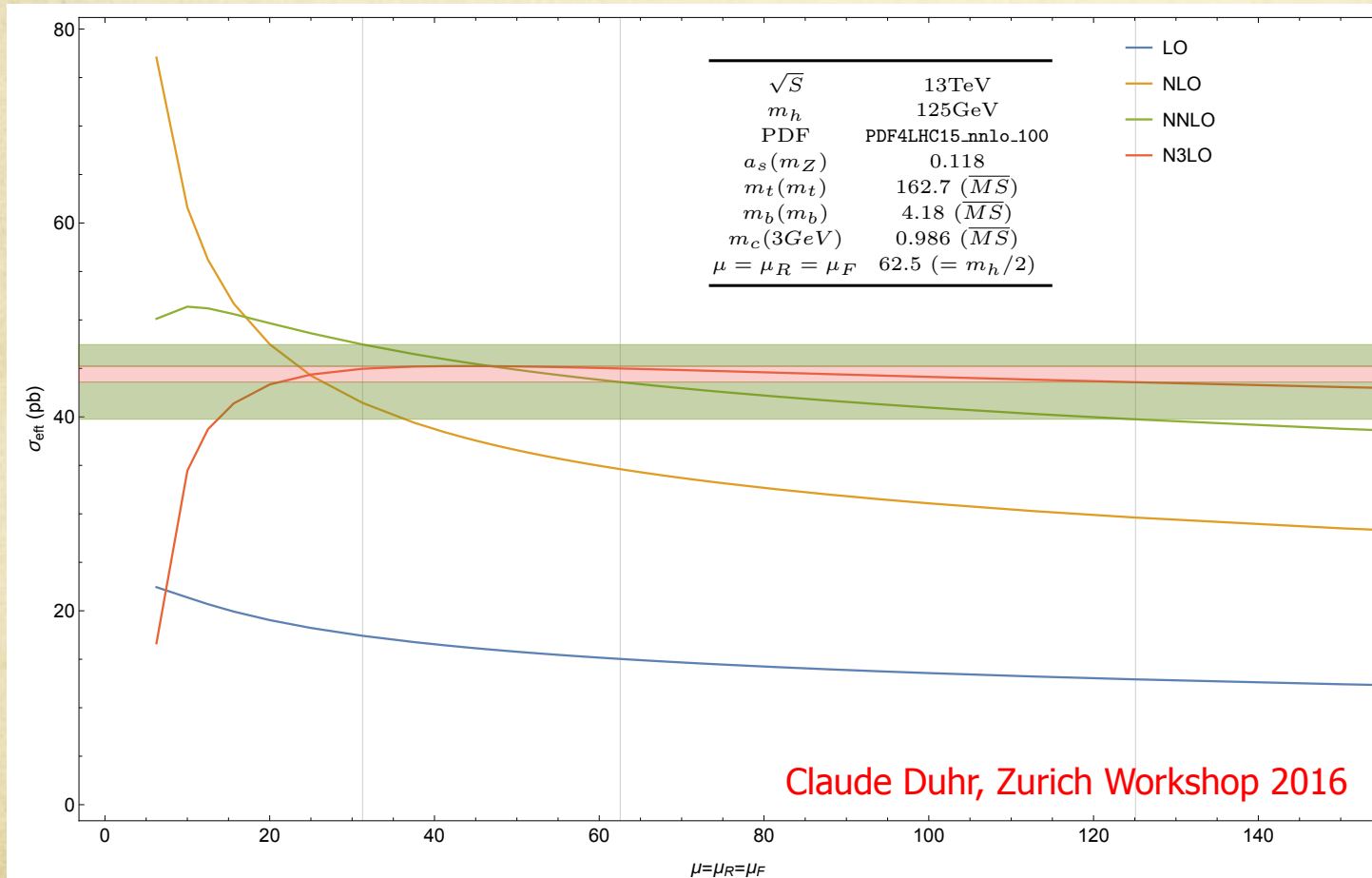


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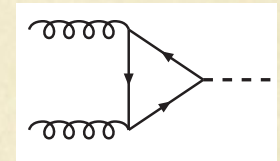
Higgs

- We want to know as much as possible about the Higgs. This means precise SM predictions to compare with experiment.
- Most pressing question: the uncertainty of the total cross-section
- It necessitated the calculation of the N³LO correction (a first for hadron colliders!)

Anastasiou, Dulat, Duhr, Furlan, Gehrmann, Herzog, Lazopoulos, Mistlberger '15



Total cross-section in the large m_t limit



Claude Duhr, Zurich Workshop 2016

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Higgs

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- Total cross-section at N³LO:

σ [pb]	δ_{PDF}	δ_{α_s}	δ_{scale}	δ_{trunc}	$\delta_{\text{PDF-TH}}$	δ_{EW}	δ_{tb}	δ_{1/m_t}
48.48	$\pm 0.90 \text{ pb}$	$\pm 1.26 \text{ pb}$	$^{+0.09}_{-1.11} \text{ pb}$	± 0.12	± 0.56	± 0.48	± 0.34	± 0.48
	$\pm 1.86\%$	$\pm 2.60\%$	$^{+0.2}_{-2.3} \%$	$\pm 0.25\%$	$\pm 1.15\%$	$\pm 1.00\%$	$\pm 0.70\%$	$\pm 1.00\%$

- Uses NNLO pdf; no N³LO pdf's available (likely 1% effect) [See also Forte et al '14](#)
- EW corrections exact at NLO; at mixed QCD-EW included in an EFT approach (gauge bosons integrated out into Wilson coefficients)
- Quark masses (m_t , m_b) included exactly at NLO. NNLO desirable
- Threshold resummation likely not pressing issue anymore.
- Basically, at N³LO the Higgs cross-sections starts to look just like the NNLO cross-sections of 2-to-2 processes (top-pair, for example)

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Higgs couplings



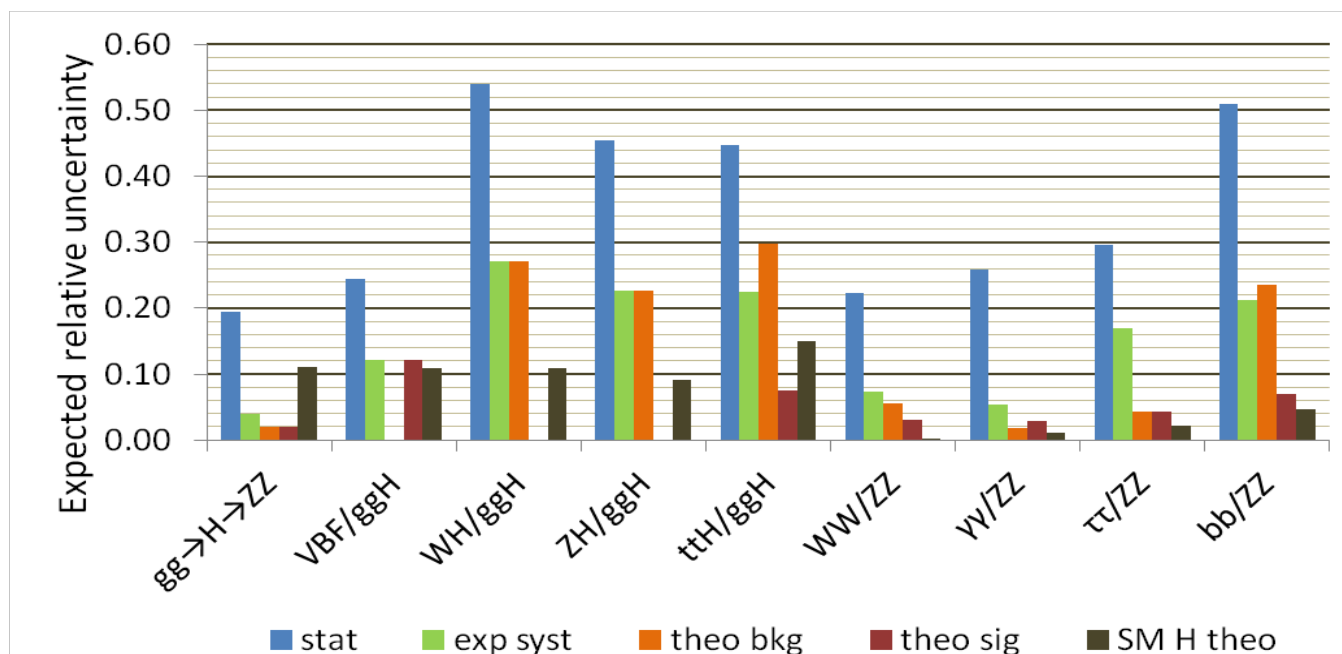
ZPW 2016

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Uncertainty breakdown



SM H theo = uncertainties on inclusive SM Higgs σ & BRs

theo sig = all other signal theory uncertainties: acceptance, jet bins, p_T , ...

zero uncertainty = too small wrt numerical accuracy of the fits.

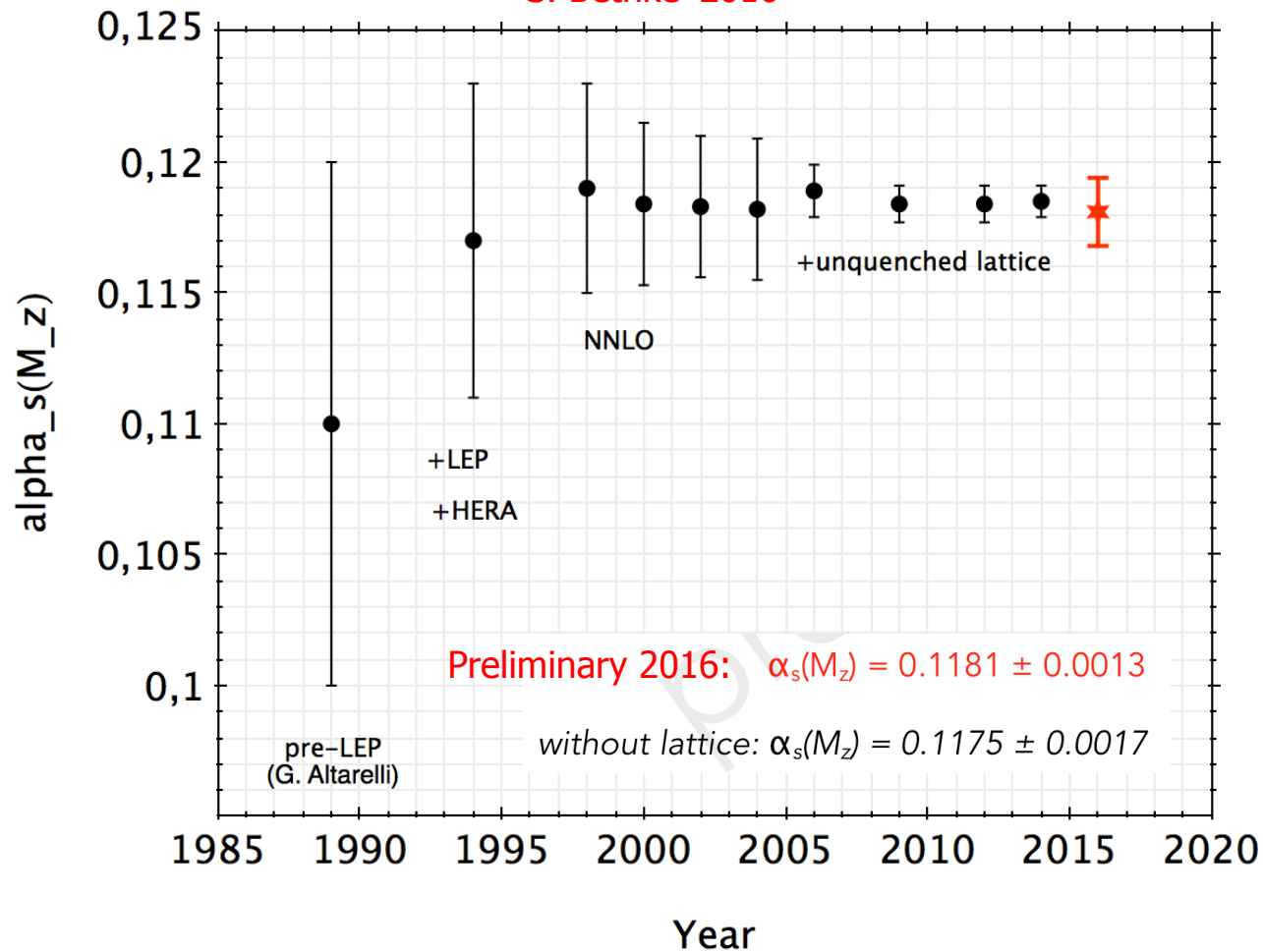
- Theory errors are subdominant at present but in some cases are close contenders

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Strong coupling α_s

history of world average of α_s

S. Bethke '2016

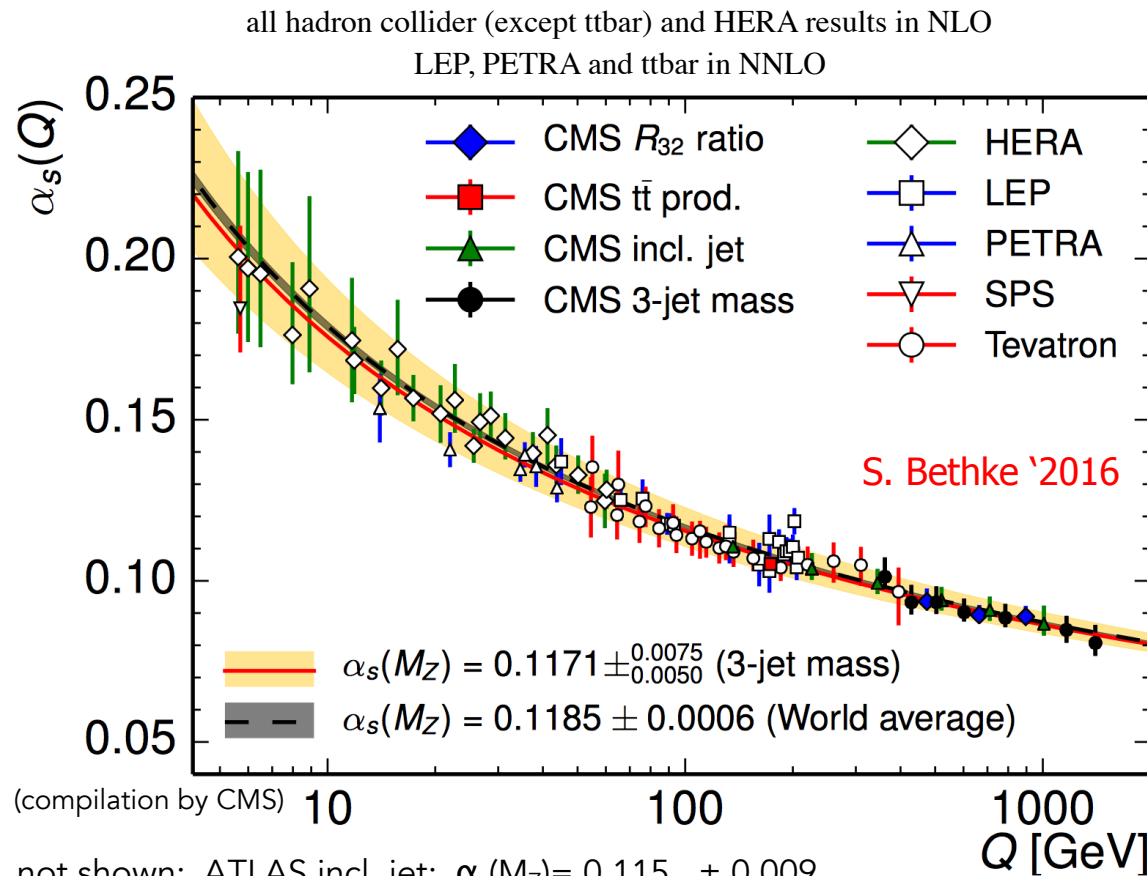


- What happened?
 - Jump in the error from lattice.
 - Inclusion of $t\bar{t}$ measurement which is in downward fluctuation.

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Strong coupling α_s

α_s results from hadron collider data



not shown: ATLAS incl. jet: $\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.115 \pm 0.009$
 ATLAS TEEC: $\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1173 + 0.0066 - 0.0028$
 ATLAS ATEEC: $\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1195 + 0.0065 - 0.0028$

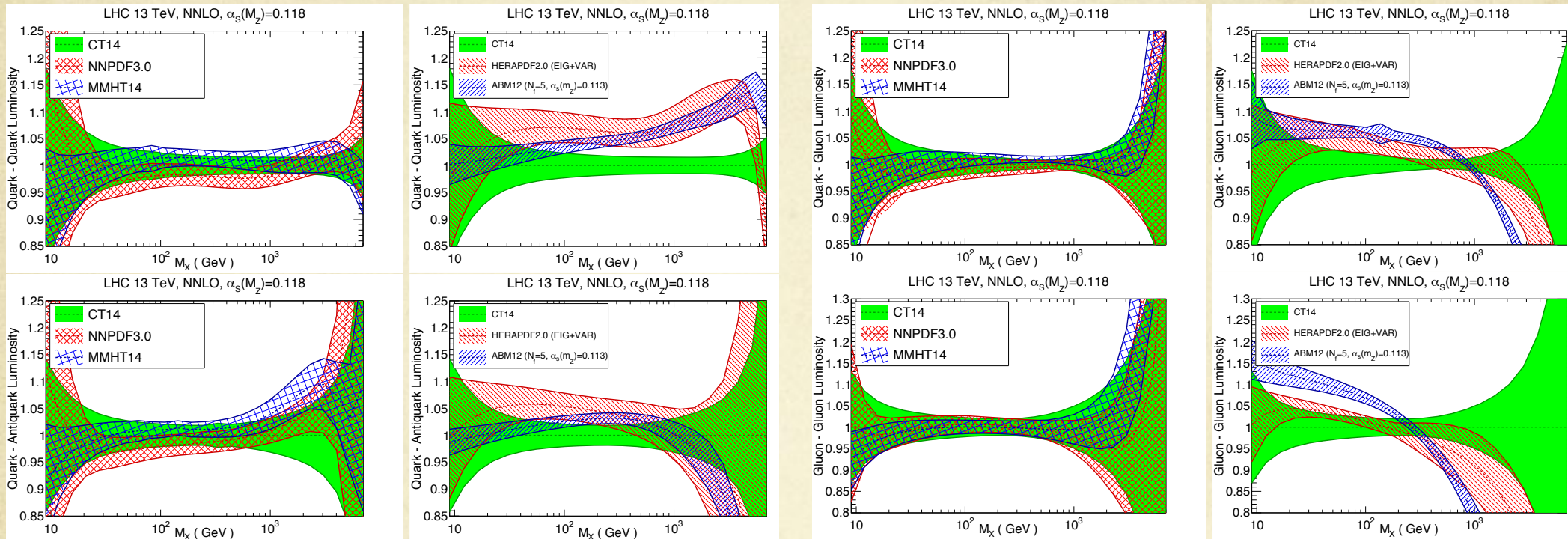
LHC and Tevatron results average to: $\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1172 \pm 0.0059$

- LHC data provides good access to α_s , albeit with larger error.
- Allows unprecedented access to running of α_s at high scales (TeV) from, for example, jets and ttbar.

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Parton distribution functions

- New generation of global PDF sets available: CT14, NNPDF3.0 and MMHT14.



- They are compatible with the PDF4LHC recommendation and their fluxes are rather similar.
- Some other sets differ (see above).
- Essential improvements are expected once LHC top differential calculations (NNLO now available) as well as jet calculations (NNLO to appear soon) are included.

Parton distribution functions

• New combination set: PDF4LHC15:

See [arXiv:1510.03865](https://arxiv.org/abs/1510.03865)

• Provides both MC and Hessian sets with varying number of members

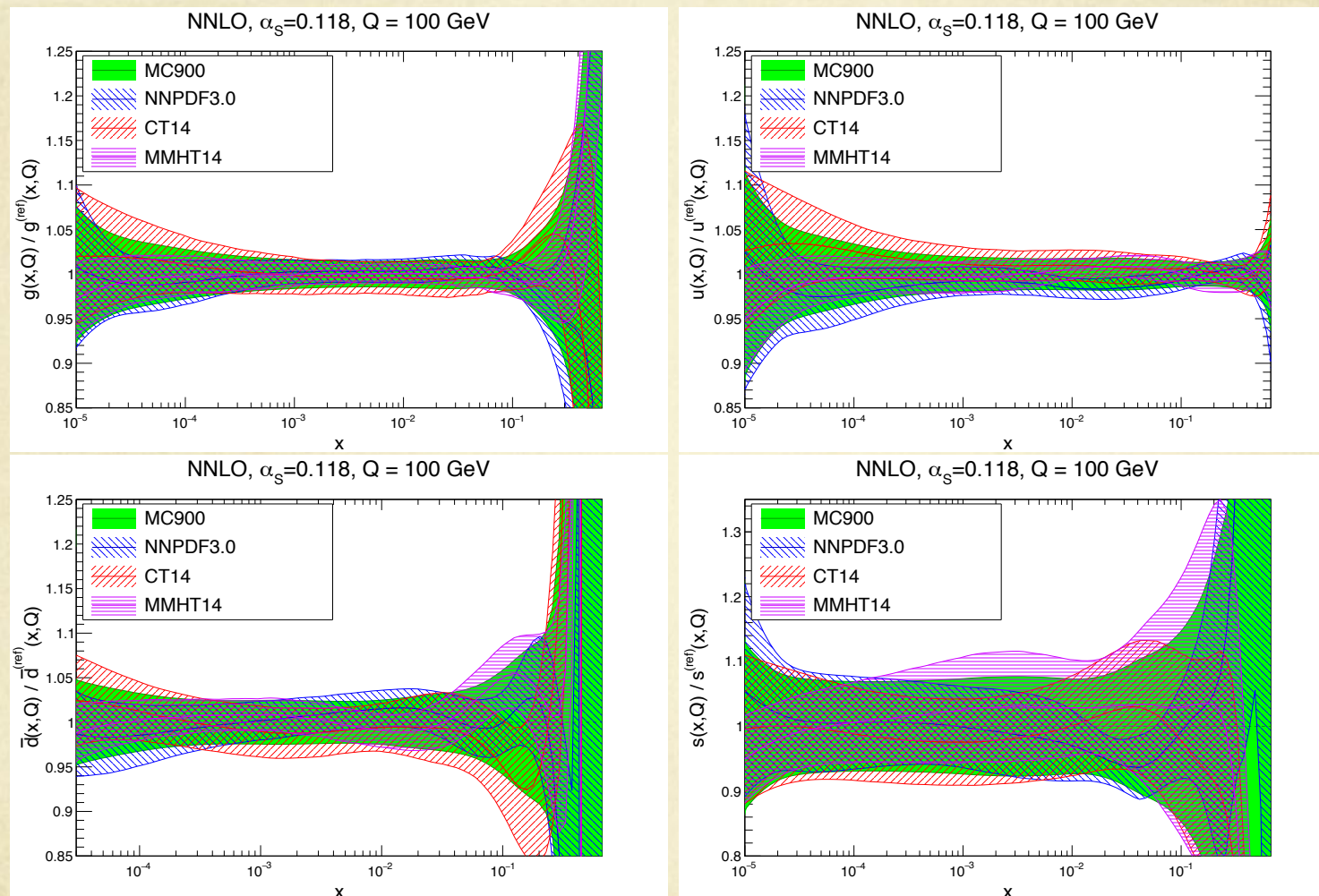
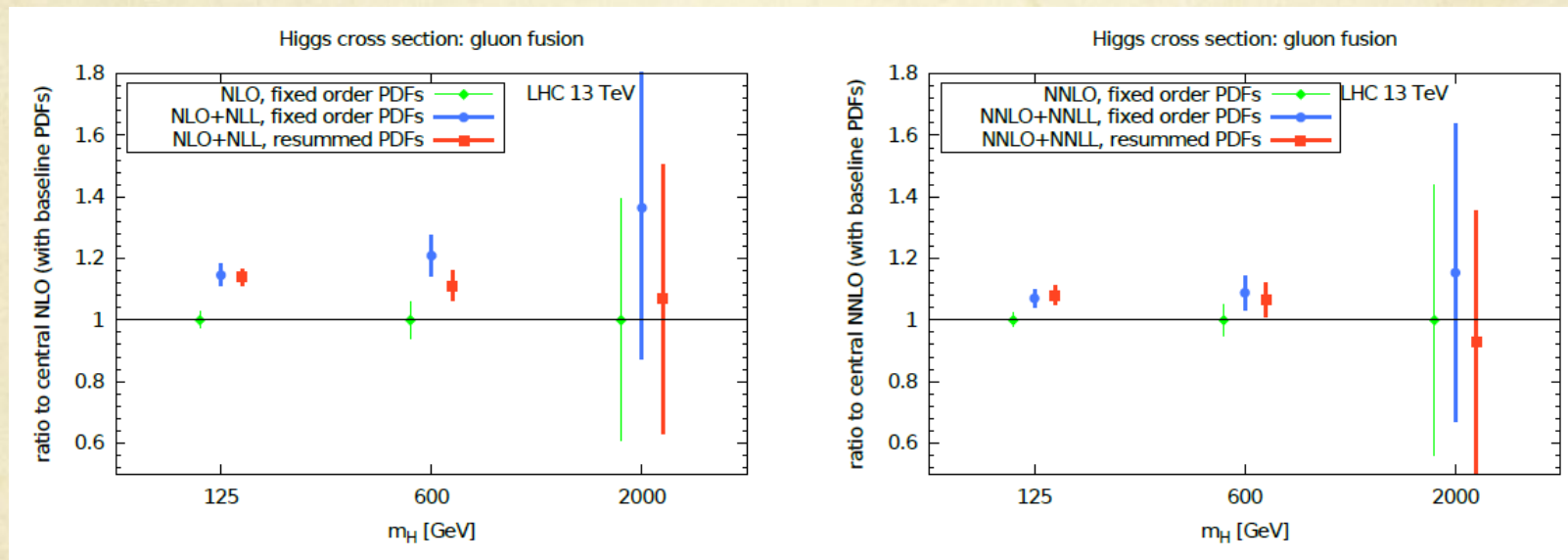


Figure 8: Comparison of the MC900 PDFs with the sets that enter the combination: CT14, MMHT14 and NNPDF3.0 at NNLO. We show the gluon and the up, anti-down and strange quarks at $Q = 100$ GeV. Results are normalized to the central value of MC900.

Parton distribution functions

- Sets with EW corrections available (NNPDF2.3): makes possible the consistent calculation of mixed EW-QCD corrections up to NNLO in QCD.
- Soft-gluon resummation's effect on pdf studied (NNPDF3.0) in NNLO with DIS, DY and top data

See [arXiv:arXiv:1507.01006](https://arxiv.org/abs/1507.01006)



- For the SM Higgs, what matters is the resummation in the Higgs partonic cross-section; resummation in PDF is insignificant.

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From Higgs, to Higgs + jets, to Higgs decays (VV+jets)



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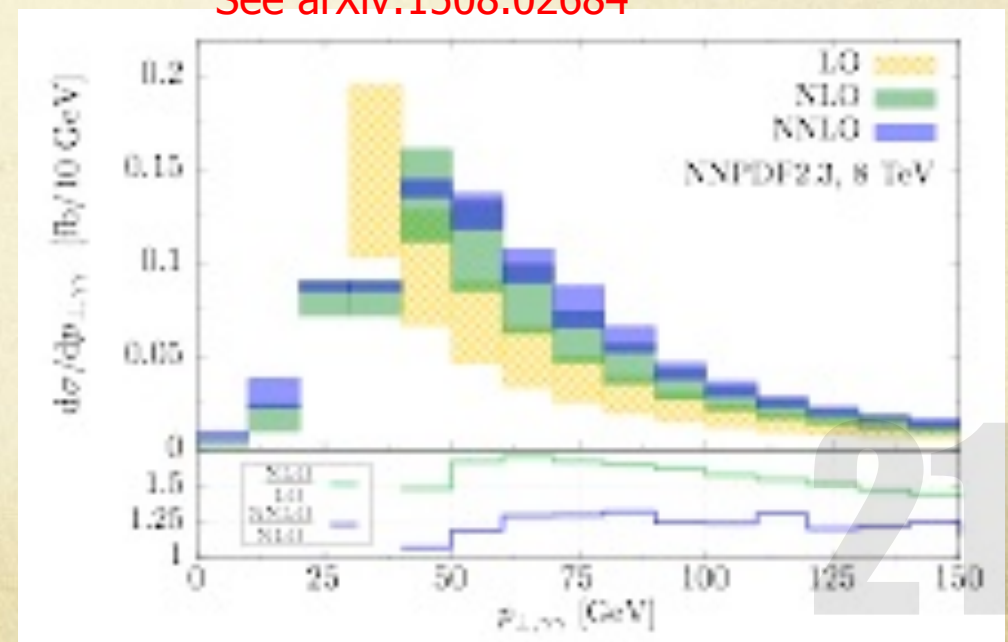
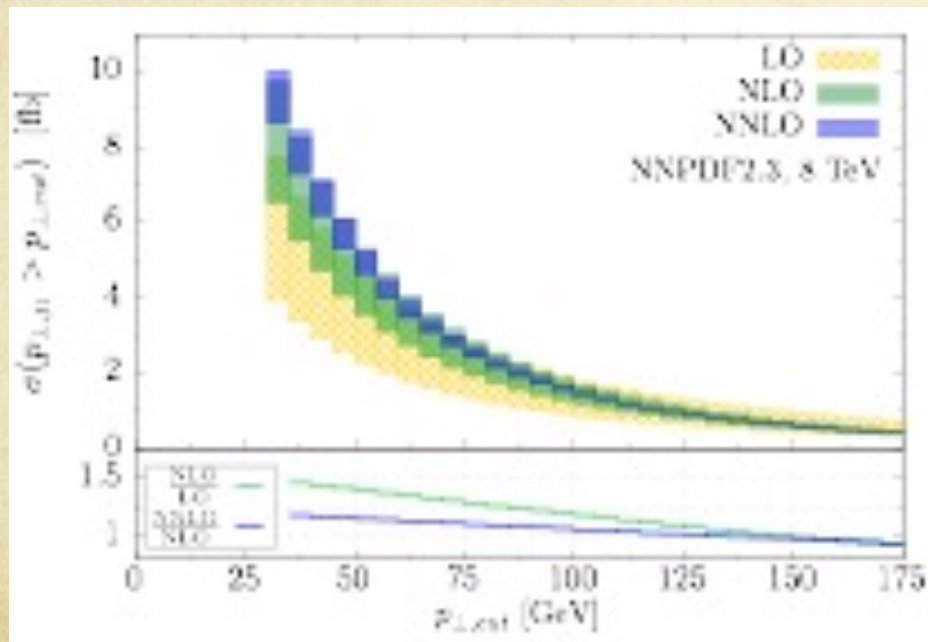
Higgs + 1 jet at NNLO

- Studied extensively by several groups (large m_t limit)

Boughezal, Caola, Melnikov, Petriello, Schulze '13
Chen, Gehrmann, Jaquier, Glover '14
Boughezal, Focke, Giele, Liu, Petriello '15
Caola, Melnikov, Schulze '15

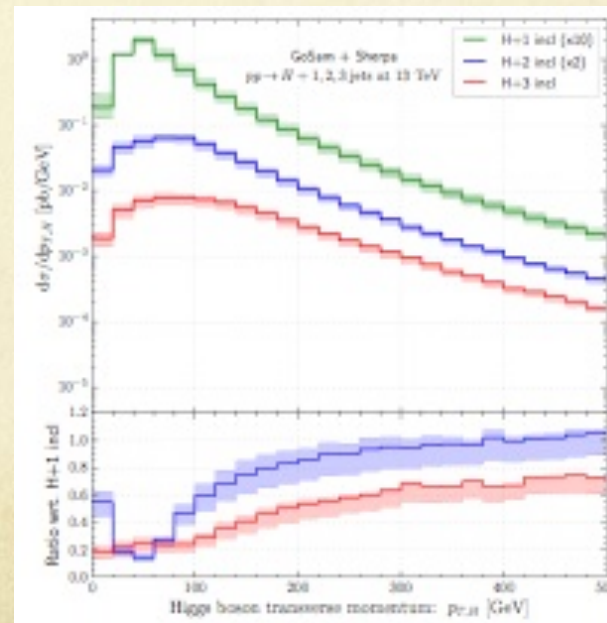
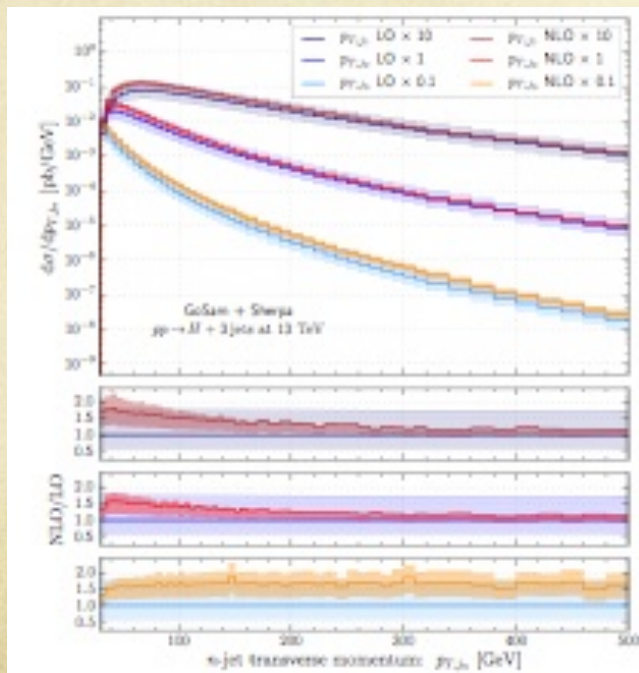
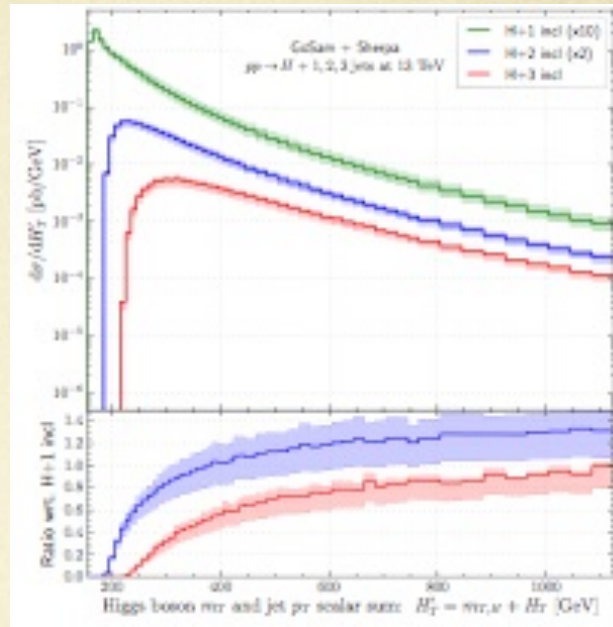
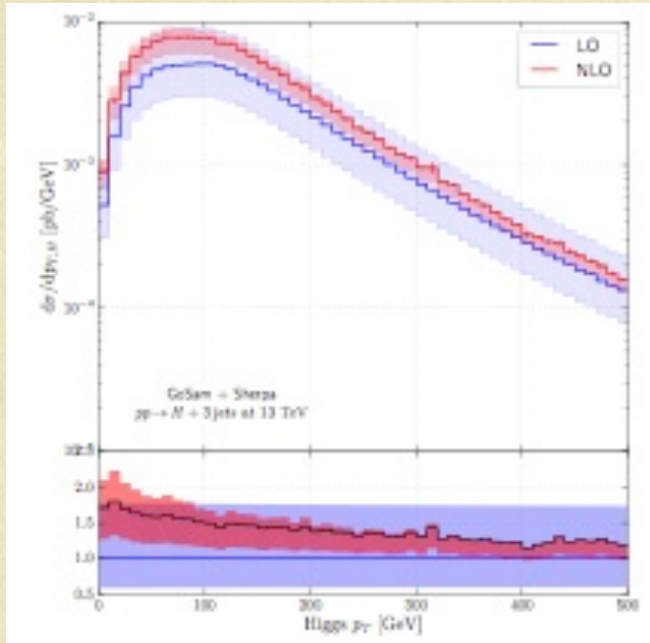
- Moreover the Higgs boson has been decayed:
 - $H+j \rightarrow \gamma\gamma+j$
 - $H+j \rightarrow WW + j \rightarrow e\mu\nu\nu + j$
- Such calculations allow for precise predictions that directly match the experimental setup (and are thus very useful)

See [arXiv:1508.02684](https://arxiv.org/abs/1508.02684)



Higgs + up to 3 jets at NLO Cullen et al (GOSAM) 1307.4737

- Very significant NLO corrections. Great reduction in theoretical uncertainty

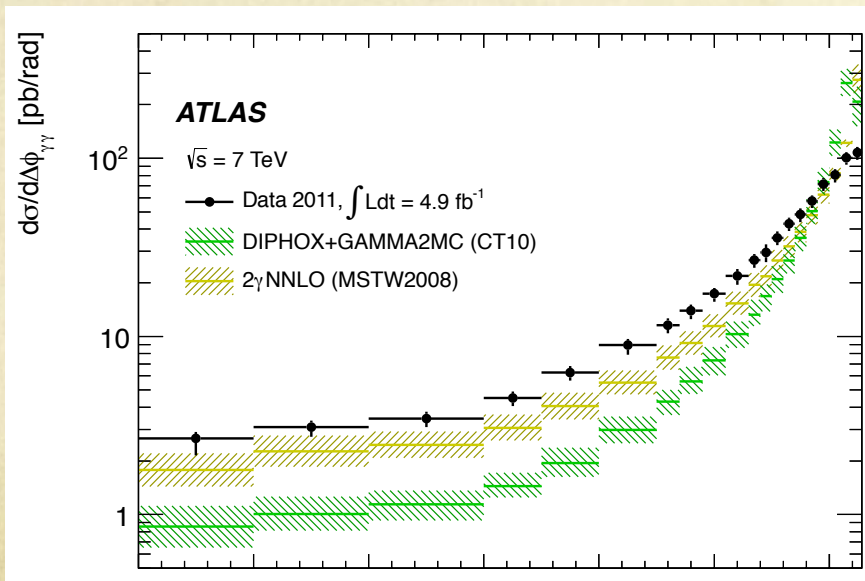


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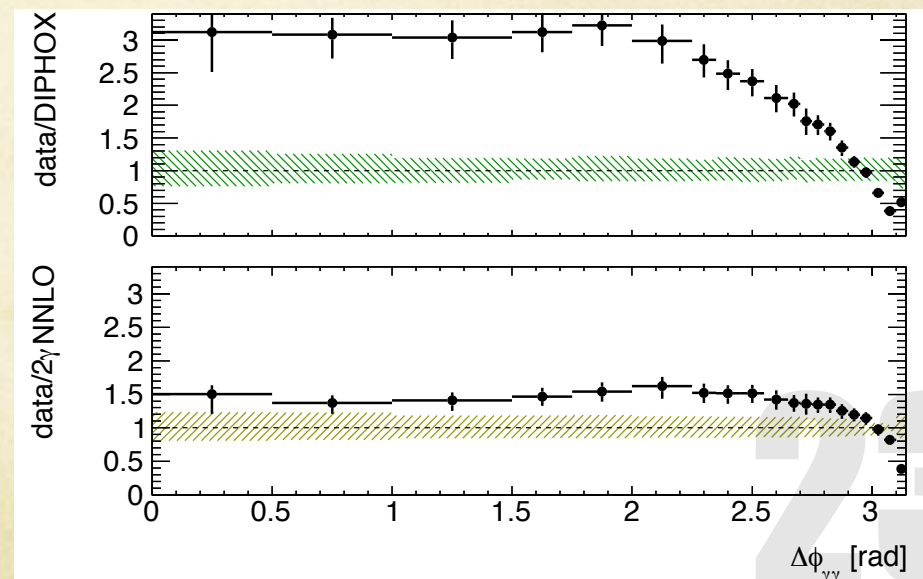
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VV (vector boson pair) production at NNLO

- Vector boson pair production is motivated:
 - an alternative to/decay of Higgs boson
 - in its own right
- Thus all precision requirements for Higgs production are directly translated into VV.
- Tremendous progress has been achieved so far: since VV is a colorless final state, one can compute NNLO QCD corrections with effectively NLO methods **Catani, Grazzini '07**
- By now all relevant combinations of pairs of W,Z and γ are known to NNLO
- These were some of the early 2-to-2 NNLO calculations and showed surprisingly large NNLO corrections that were essential for finding agreement with data! (especially $\gamma\gamma$).



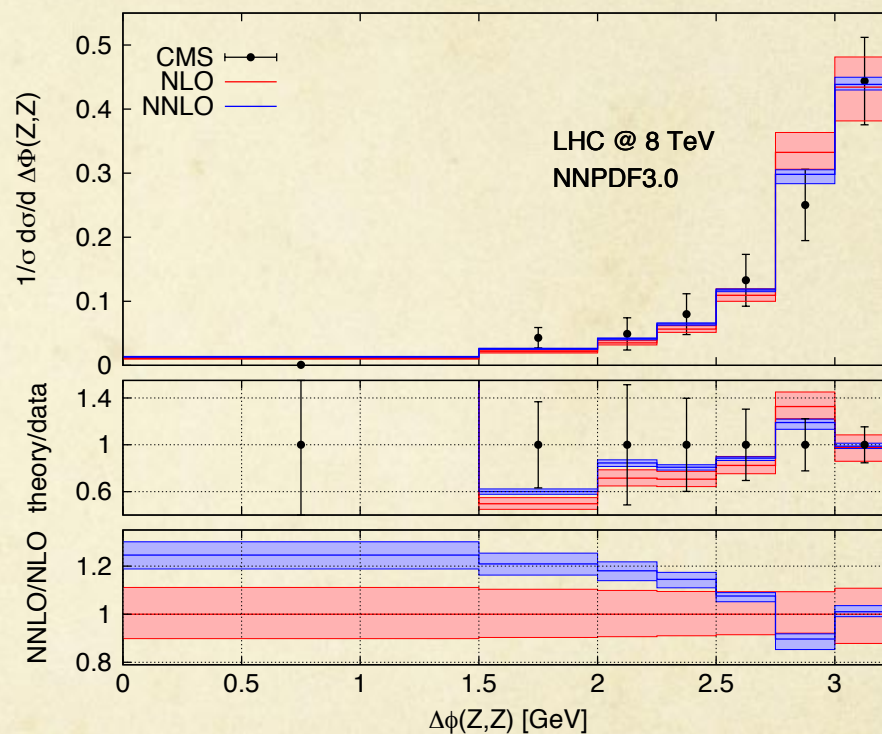
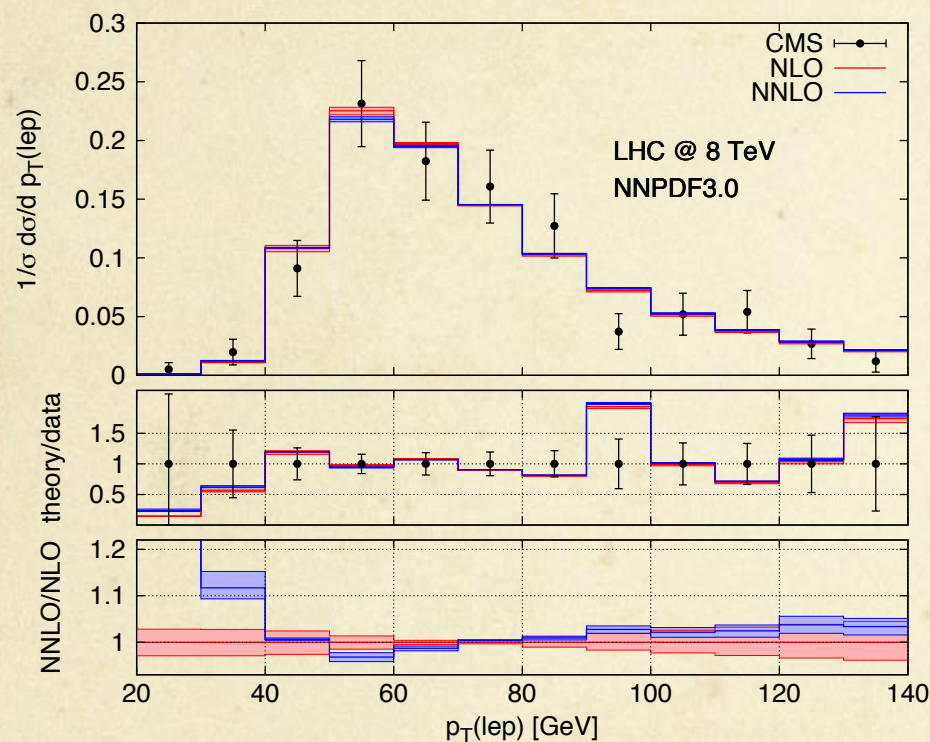
Catani, Cieri, de Florian, Ferreraeta, Grazzini '11



ZZ production with Z decay

Kallweit, Rathlev, Grazzini '15

- Improved $\Delta\phi$ distribution
- Data cannot discriminate the lepton PT yet but the NNLO K-factor has significant shape.



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ZZ production with Z decay

Kallweit, Rathlev, Grazzini '15

- Fiducial cross-section:

Channel	σ_{LO} (fb)	σ_{NLO} (fb)	σ_{NNLO} (fb)	σ_{exp} (fb)
$e^+e^-e^+e^-$	$3.547(1)^{+2.9\%}_{-3.9\%}$	$5.047(1)^{+2.8\%}_{-2.3\%}$	$5.79(2)^{+3.4\%}_{-2.6\%}$	$4.6^{+0.8}_{-0.7}(\text{stat})^{+0.4}_{-0.4}(\text{syst.})^{+0.1}_{-0.1}(\text{lumi.})$
$\mu^+\mu^-\mu^+\mu^-$				$5.0^{+0.6}_{-0.5}(\text{stat})^{+0.2}_{-0.2}(\text{syst.})^{+0.2}_{-0.2}(\text{lumi.})$
$e^+e^-\mu^+\mu^-$	$6.950(1)^{+2.9\%}_{-3.9\%}$	$9.864(2)^{+2.8\%}_{-2.3\%}$	$11.31(2)^{+3.2\%}_{-2.5\%}$	$11.1^{+1.0}_{-0.9}(\text{stat})^{+0.5}_{-0.5}(\text{syst.})^{+0.3}_{-0.3}(\text{lumi.})$

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- Curiously, the NNLO corrections significantly improve agreement with ATLAS but the same flavor channels seems to go away from data ...
- However experimental errors are large but this will change at 13 TeV

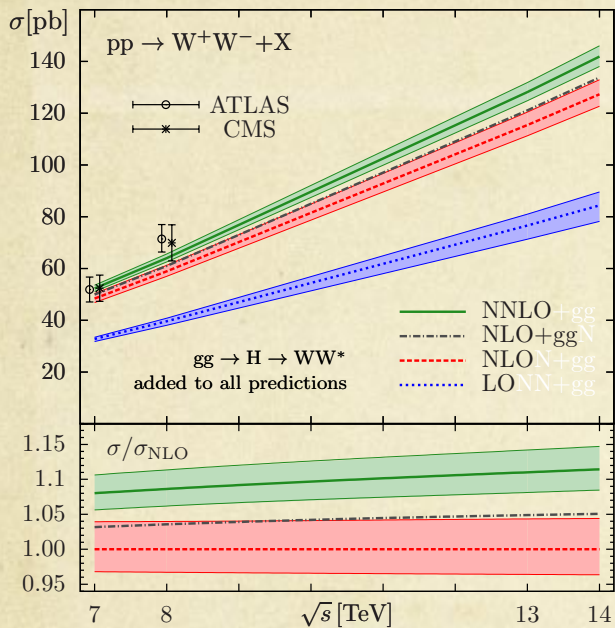
Channel	σ_{LO} (fb)	σ_{NLO} (fb)	σ_{NNLO} (fb)	σ_{exp} (fb)
$e^+e^-e^+e^-$	$5.007(1)^{+4\%}_{-5\%}$	$6.157(1)^{+2\%}_{-2\%}$	$7.14(2)^{+2\%}_{-2\%}$	$8.4^{+2.4}_{-2.0}(\text{stat})^{+0.4}_{-0.2}(\text{syst.})^{+0.5}_{-0.3}(\text{lumi.})$
$\mu^+\mu^-\mu^+\mu^-$				$6.8^{+1.8}_{-1.5}(\text{stat})^{+0.3}_{-0.3}(\text{syst.})^{+0.4}_{-0.3}(\text{lumi.})$
$e^+e^-\mu^+\mu^-$	$9.906(1)^{+4\%}_{-5\%}$	$12.171(2)^{+2\%}_{-2\%}$	$14.19(2)^{+2\%}_{-2\%}$	$14.7^{+2.9}_{-2.5}(\text{stat})^{+0.6}_{-0.4}(\text{syst.})^{+0.9}_{-0.6}(\text{lumi.})$

13 TeV

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WW production at NNLO

- Essential for understanding EWSB physics
- NNLO correction reduces tension with ATLAS; agrees with CMS

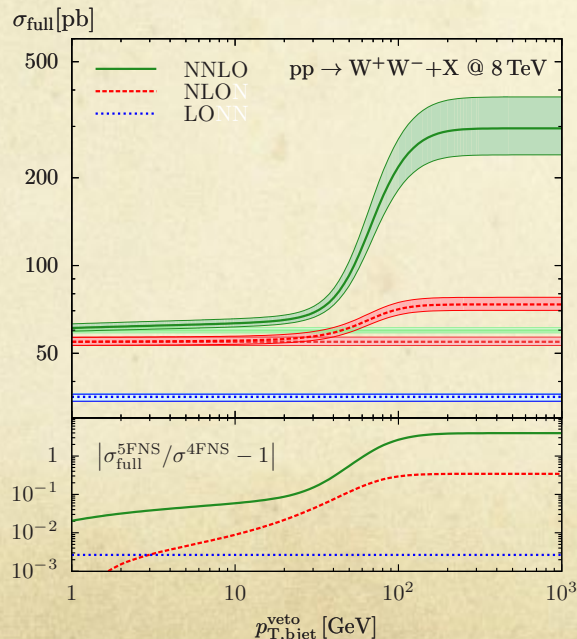


Gehrmann, Grazzini, Kallweit et al '14

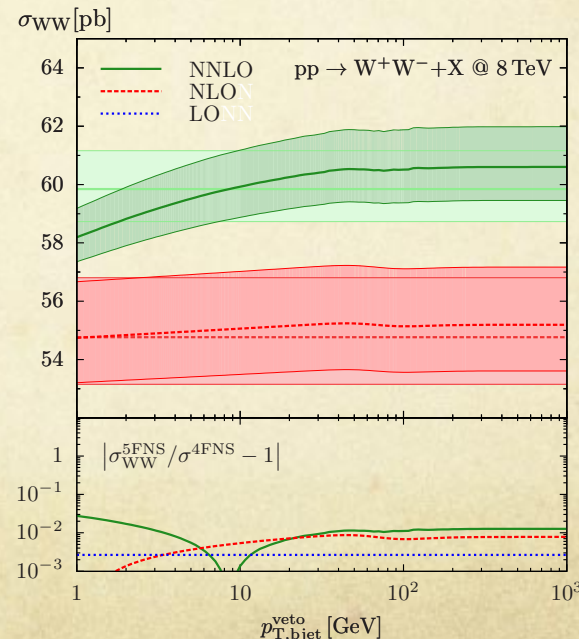
- NNLO correction similar in size to $H \rightarrow WW^*$

$\frac{\sqrt{s}}{\text{TeV}}$	σ_{LO}	σ_{NLO}	σ_{NNLO}	$\sigma_{gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow WW^*}$
7	$29.52^{+1.6\%}_{-2.5\%}$	$45.16^{+3.7\%}_{-2.9\%}$	$49.04^{+2.1\%}_{-1.8\%}$	$3.25^{+7.1\%}_{-7.8\%}$
8	$35.50^{+2.4\%}_{-3.5\%}$	$54.77^{+3.7\%}_{-2.9\%}$	$59.84^{+2.2\%}_{-1.9\%}$	$4.14^{+7.2\%}_{-7.8\%}$
13	$67.16^{+5.5\%}_{-6.7\%}$	$106.0^{+4.1\%}_{-3.2\%}$	$118.7^{+2.5\%}_{-2.2\%}$	$9.44^{+7.4\%}_{-7.9\%}$
14	$73.74^{+5.9\%}_{-7.2\%}$	$116.7^{+4.1\%}_{-3.3\%}$	$131.3^{+2.6\%}_{-2.2\%}$	$10.64^{+7.5\%}_{-8.0\%}$

- Hard to separate WW from top-pair production;
- b-jets essential in this:



Top included



Top not included

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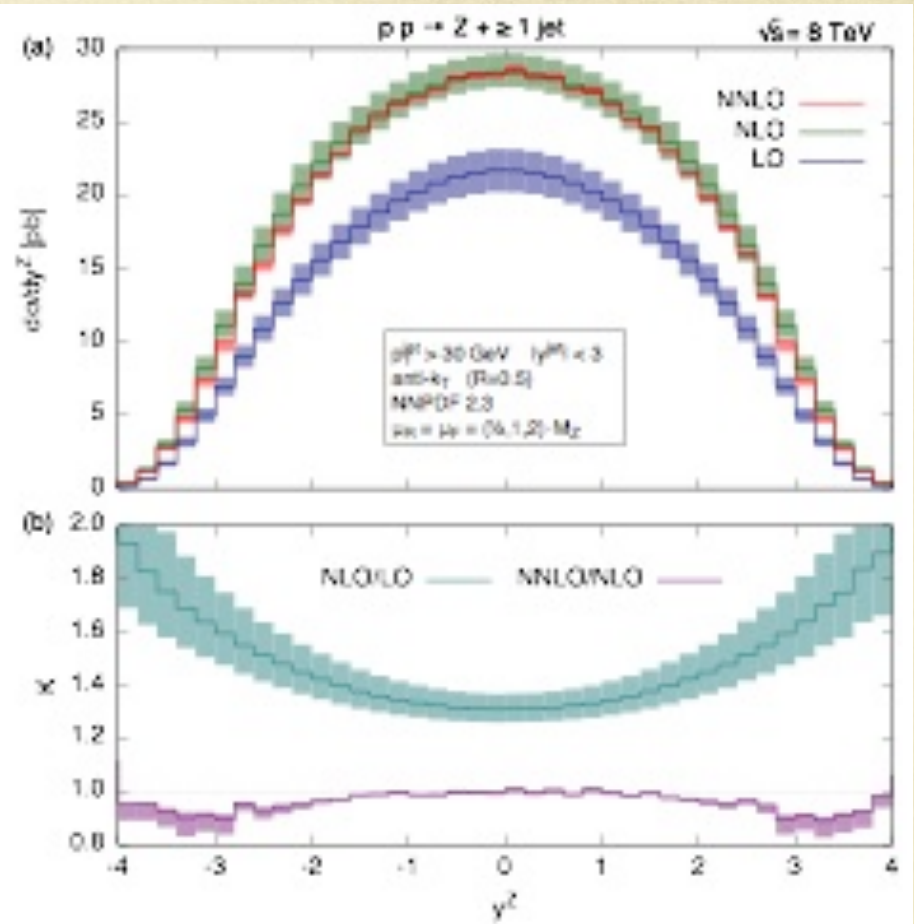
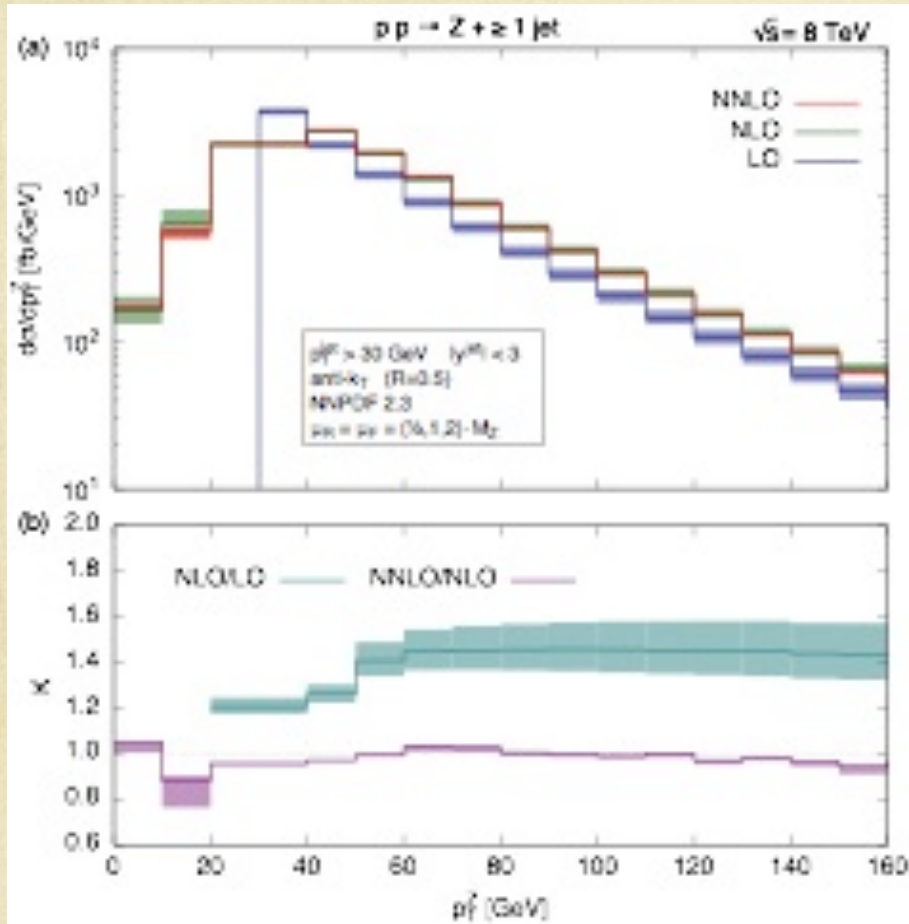
V+jet production at NNLO

- Vector boson production is the absolute classics (think Drell-Yan) at hadron collider
- Served as the discovery mode for W and Z bosons in 1983 at SPS
- First NNLO corrections to Drell-Yan were computed 25 years ago
Hamberg, van Neerven, Matsuura '91
Harlander, Kilgore '02
- And differential vector boson production around 10 years ago
Anastasiou, Dixon, Melnikov, Petriello '03
- V+jet calculation needed in order to have full NNLO accuracy for the V P_T spectrum
- Recall: precision requirements in vector boson production is very high: it is at the-% level and was even proposed as a luminosity monitor for LHC.

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Z+jet production at NNLO

Gehrmann-De Ridder, Gehrmann, Glover, Huss, Morgan '15
 Boughezal, Campbell, Ellis, Focke, Giele, Liu, Petriello '15



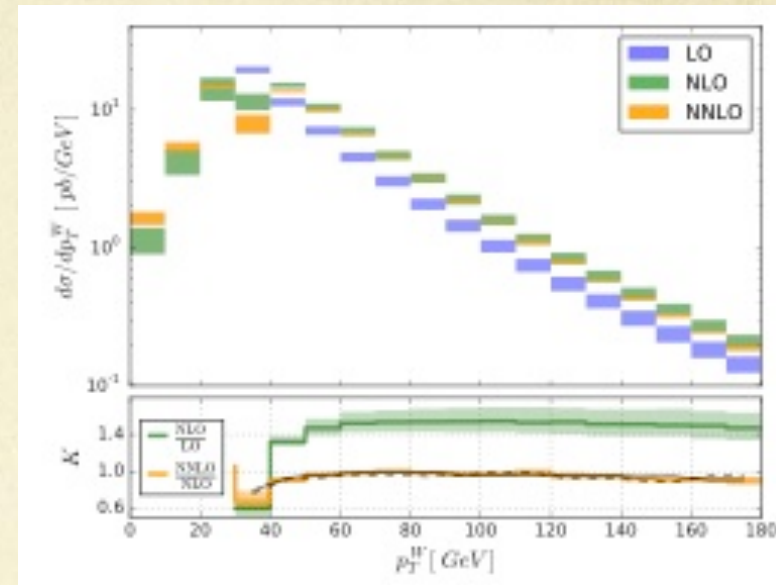
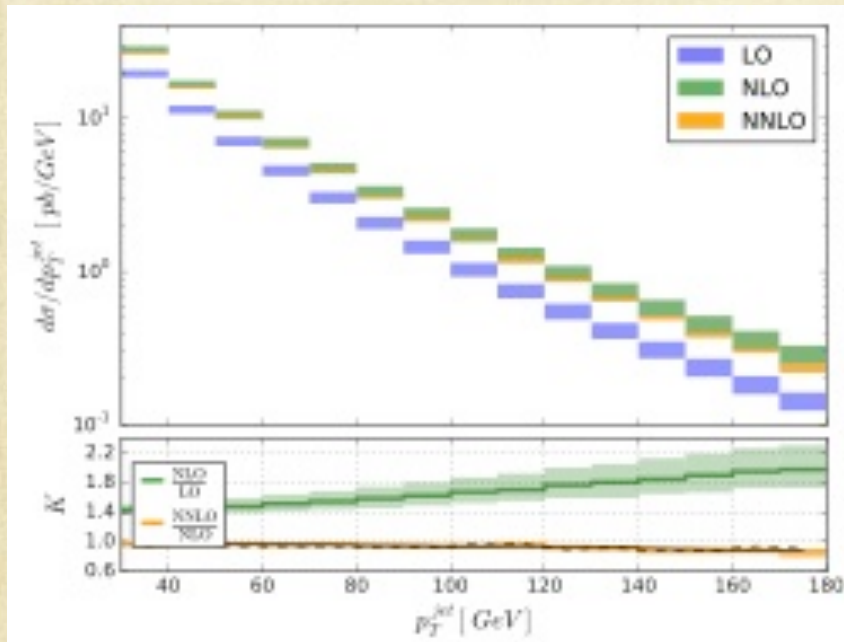
- As expected, impressive impact on the p_T distribution of Z-boson
- Notice the very high perturbative stability of the fiducial cross-section:

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{LO} &= 103.6_{-7.5}^{+7.7} \text{ pb} , \\ \sigma_{NLO} &= 144.4_{-7.2}^{+9.0} \text{ pb} , \\ \sigma_{NNLO} &= 140.3_{-1.4}^{+0.0} \text{ pb}\end{aligned}$$

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W+jet production at NNLO

Boughezal, Focke, Liu, Petriello '15



- Impact of NNLO corrections is significant, just as for Z+jet:

$p_T^{jet} > 30 \text{ GeV}, \eta_{jet} < 2.4$	
Leading order:	$533_{-38}^{+39} \text{ pb}$
Next-to-leading order:	$797_{-49}^{+63} \text{ pb}$
Next-to-next-to-leading order:	787_{-8}^{+0} pb

- Fiducial cross-section at 1% level !

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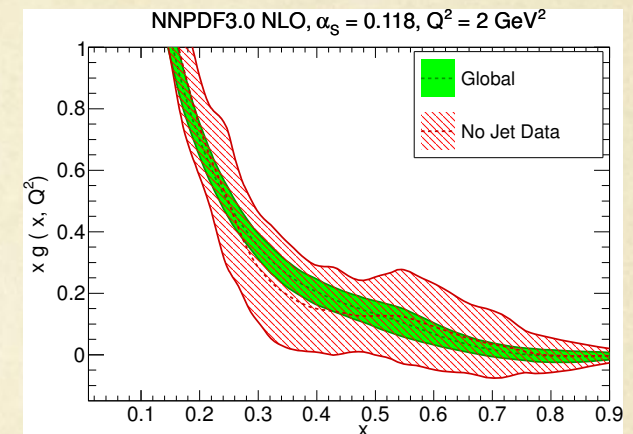
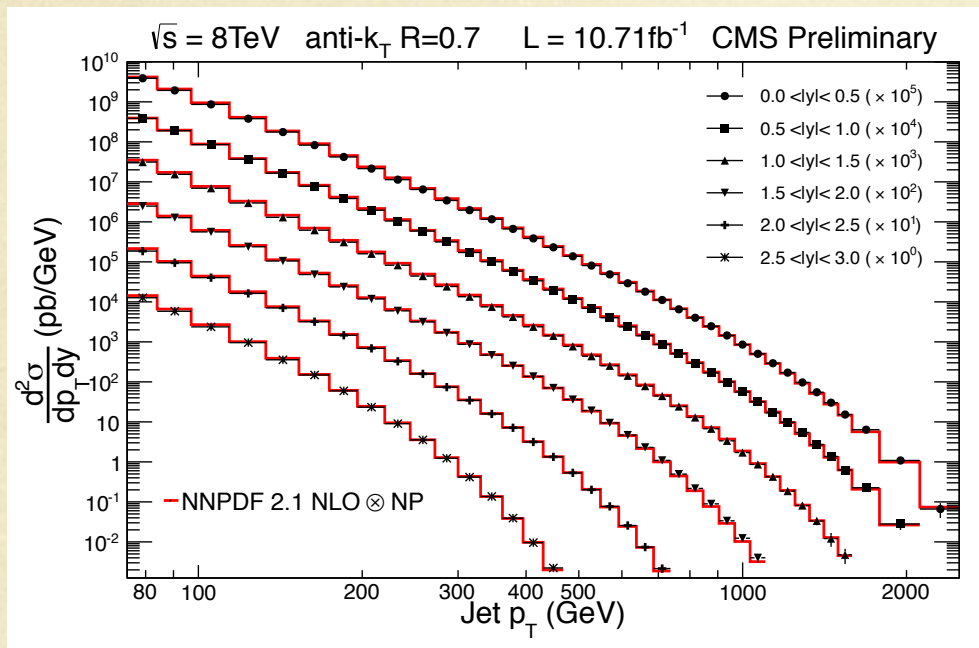
Pure QCD beasts: dijets and top-pair production



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Dijet production towards NNLO

- If there is one thing at hadron colliders – that’s a lot of jets!
- Measured over a large energy range and over many orders of magnitude
- Overall NLO QCD (+EW) agrees with data.



(Jets are essential in PDF's)

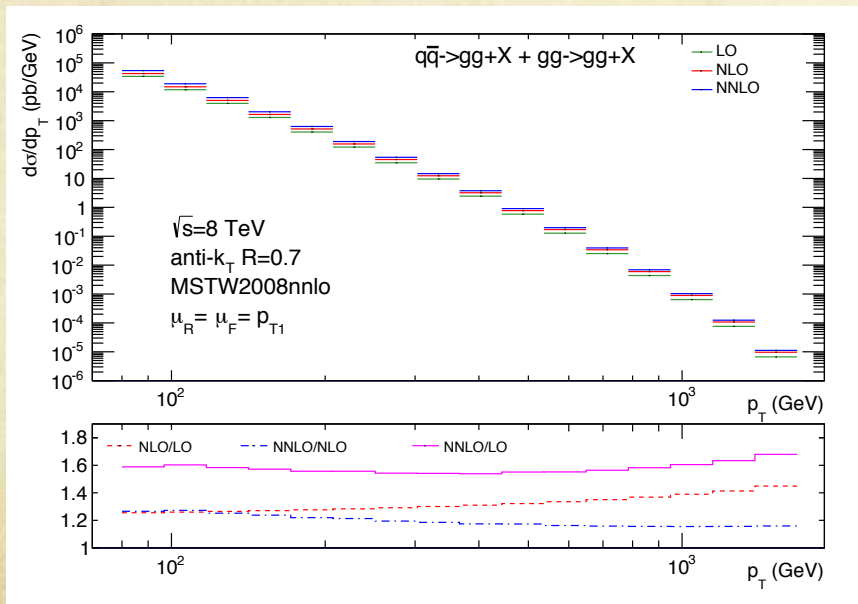
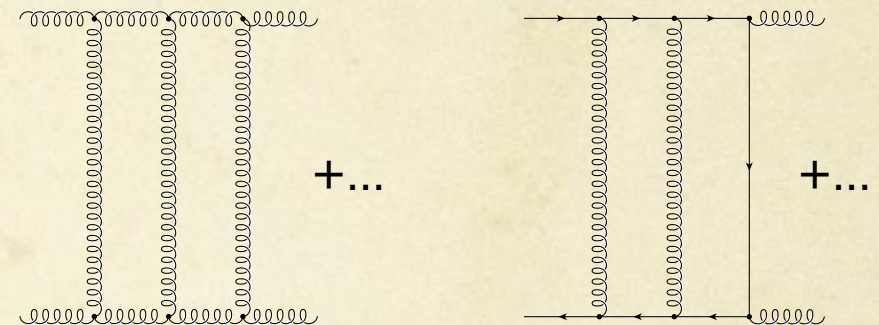
- What we really need is high-precision comparison, in order to:
 - Search for BSM physics decaying to jets
 - Provide input to SM: measurement of α_s and extraction of PDF's (including or not jet data in pdf's has been one of the most debated subjects in pdf community)

Dijet production towards NNLO

- The expectation is that NNLO QCD (supplemented with EW corrections) will be able to significantly increase the theoretical precision.
Dittmaier, Huss, Speckner '12
- Expectation is based on several partial NNLO contributions (gg-> gg, qqbar-> gg)

A number of papers up to 2014:
Currie, Gehrmann-De Ridder, Gehrmann, Glover, Pires

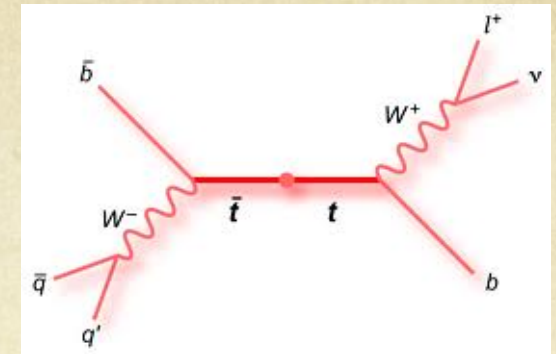
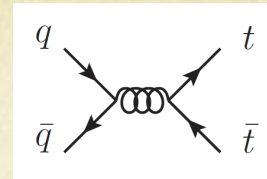
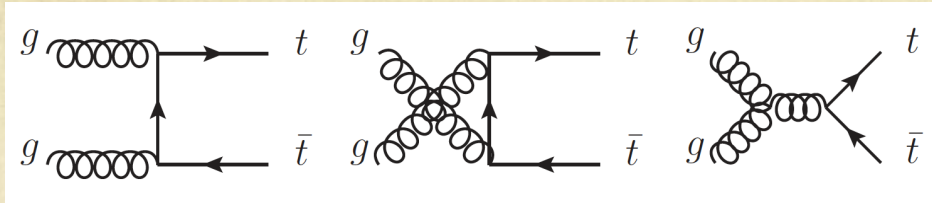
+ Ongoing Work



Looking forward to the complete result!

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Top-pair production at NNLO



LHC: the top factory

- Top discovered at the Tevatron but statistics there was very limited ($\sim 1\text{k}$ events)
- LHC gets the chance to produce lots of top events ($> 100\text{k}$ events recorded at Run I)
- LHC Run 2 cross-section larger by a factor of 4.
- The LHC should, for the first time, study the top completely, all its couplings and parameters.

• Top is (most) important background for most BSM searches.

• Interesting anomalies (top forward-backward asymmetry at the Tevatron)

• Important for SM Higgs

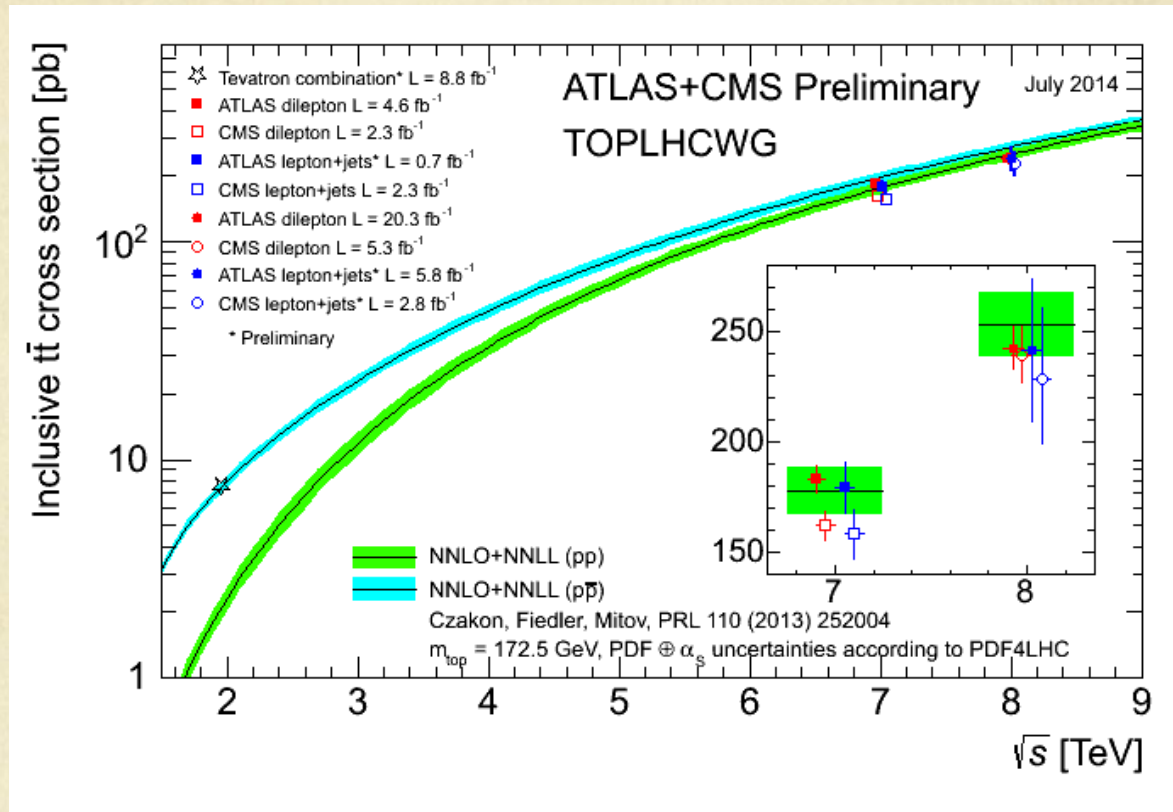
• So far the only NNLO input for gluon pdf from hadron colliders

• Measurement of α_s . Top mass is a major input when extending SM towards GUT scales

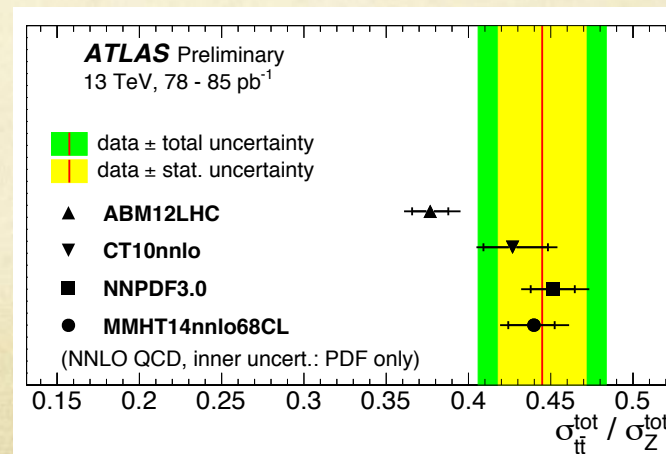
(think vacuum stability, Higgs inflation).

Top-pair production at NNLO

- Impressive agreement for the total cross-section (level of 4-5%)



- ✓ Notable: after a month of data taking the largest error, by far, is the one due to luminosity!
- ✓ Cancels in the $t\bar{t}/Z$ ratio. Excellent agreement with NNLO SM.

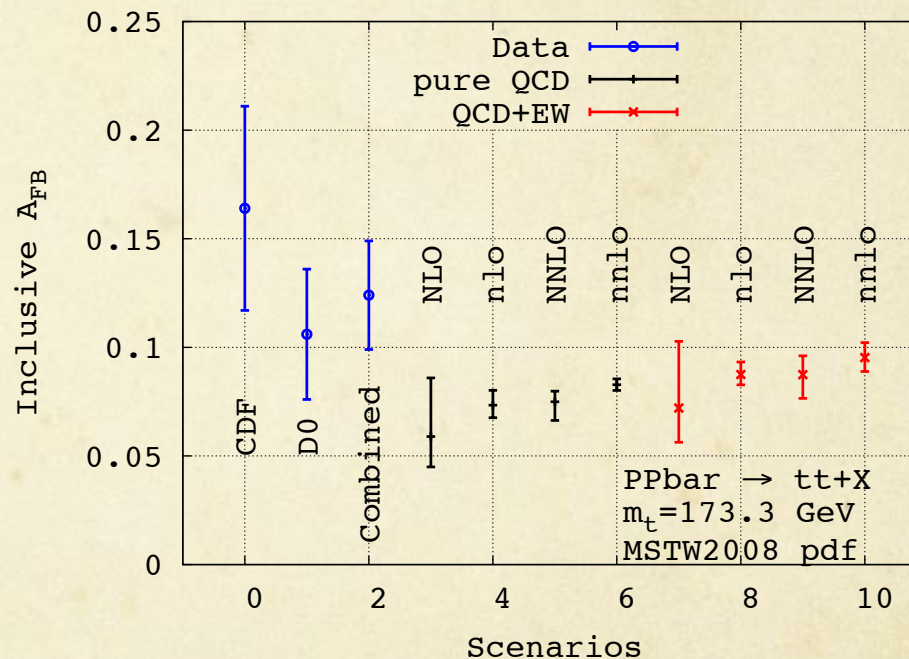
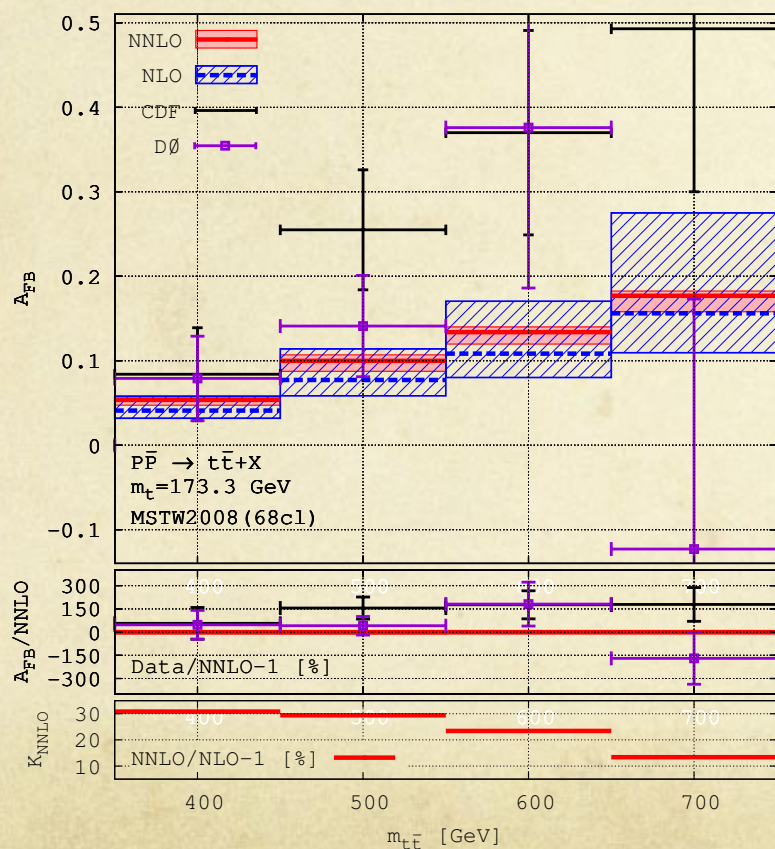


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Top-pair production at NNLO

Czakon, Heymes, Fiedler, Mitov '15

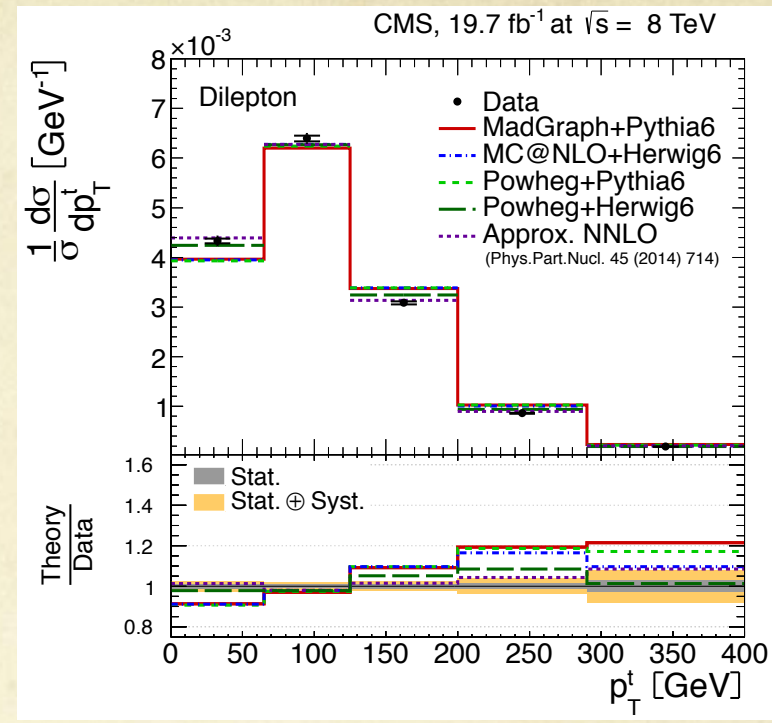
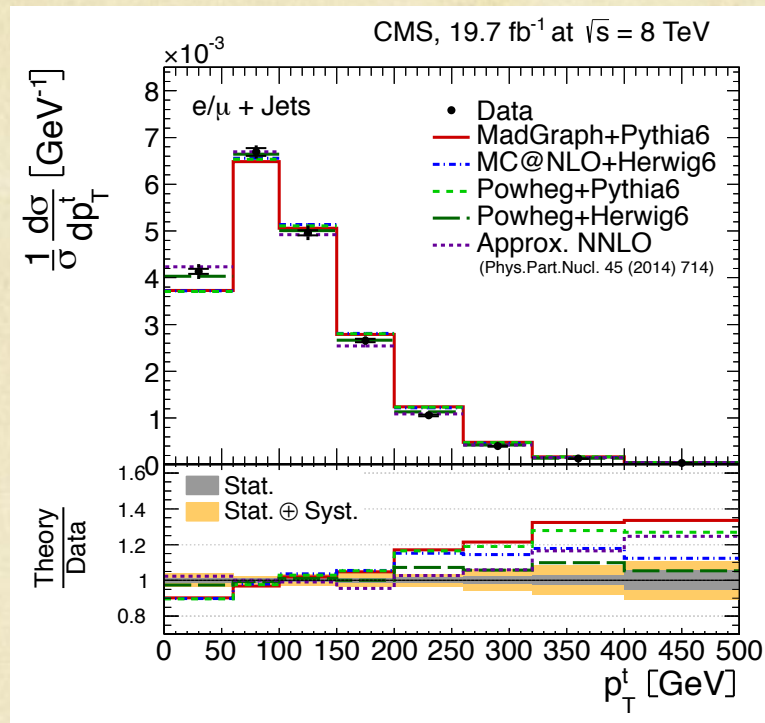
- A lot of recent activity:
 - fully differential NNLO QCD production for stable top quarks at the Tevatron and LHC
 - This can easily be combined with EW corrections (will be important for TeV scales)
 - No top decay implemented at NNLO. Understood in principle. This is for the future.



NNLO QCD crucial for making sense of the top forward-backward asymmetry

Top-pair production at NNLO

- Differential distributions at the LHC: important in the context of the “top P_T discrepancy”

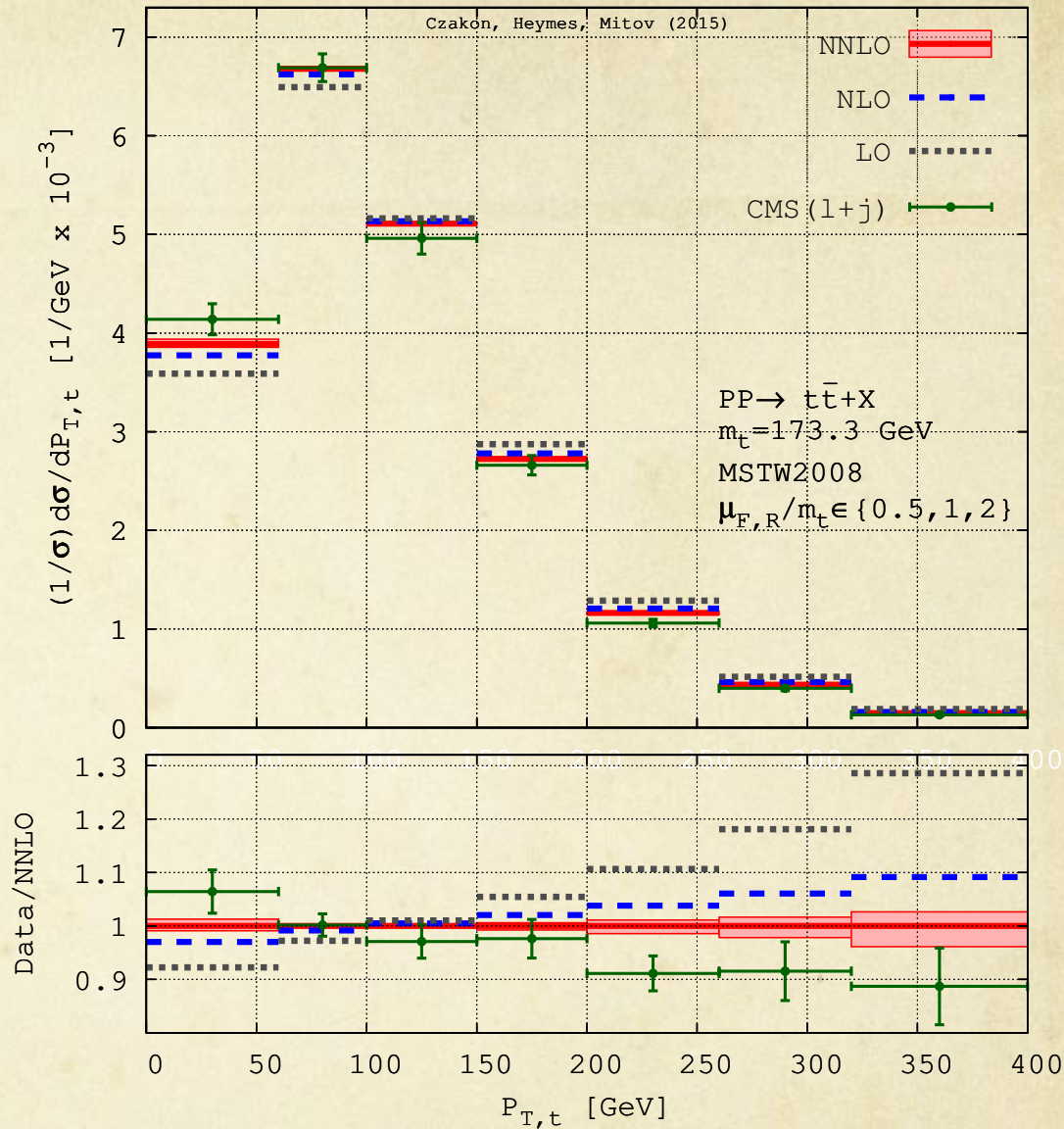


Several qualifications:

- Lepton- and jet-based observable appear to be fine.
- Top quark-level ones – no so much.
- But tops are not measured; they are “inferred” from data using MC’s.
- Therefore, any discrepancy between SM top quark predictions and ‘measurements’ are testing how well current MC’s describe top production.
- Implications are very broad and go much beyond top physics: Higgs, BSM.

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Top-pair production at NNLO: P_T spectrum



✓ NNLO QCD corrections systematically improve the agreement with CMS data.

✓ Agreement with ATLAS (not shown) even better.

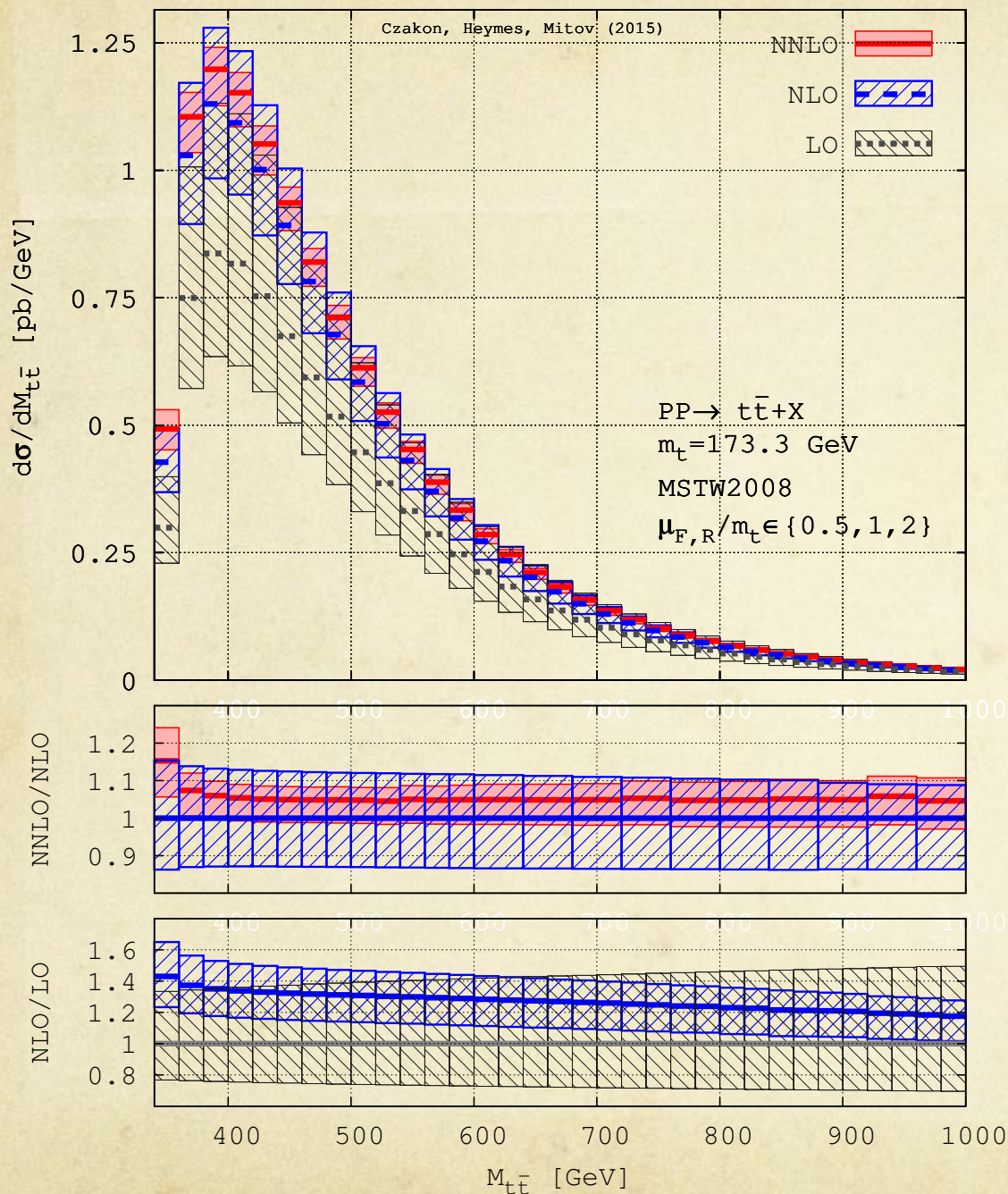
✓ NNLO does what one normally expects:

- Convergence
- Decrease of scale error
- Pdf error not included

• Approximate results within the antenna approach have also appeared

Abelof, Gehrmann-De Ridder, Majer '15

Top-pair production at NNLO: $M_{t\bar{t}}$ spectrum



✓ The quality of the calculation is high:

✓ Fine binning

✓ NNLO does what one normally expects:

- Convergence
- Decrease of scale error
- Pdf error not included
- Threshold effects can be seen
- Note the extreme stability of the shape: no change from NLO to NNLO (0.5% or so)
- An opportunity for searches?

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Top-pair production at NNLO: PDF dependence

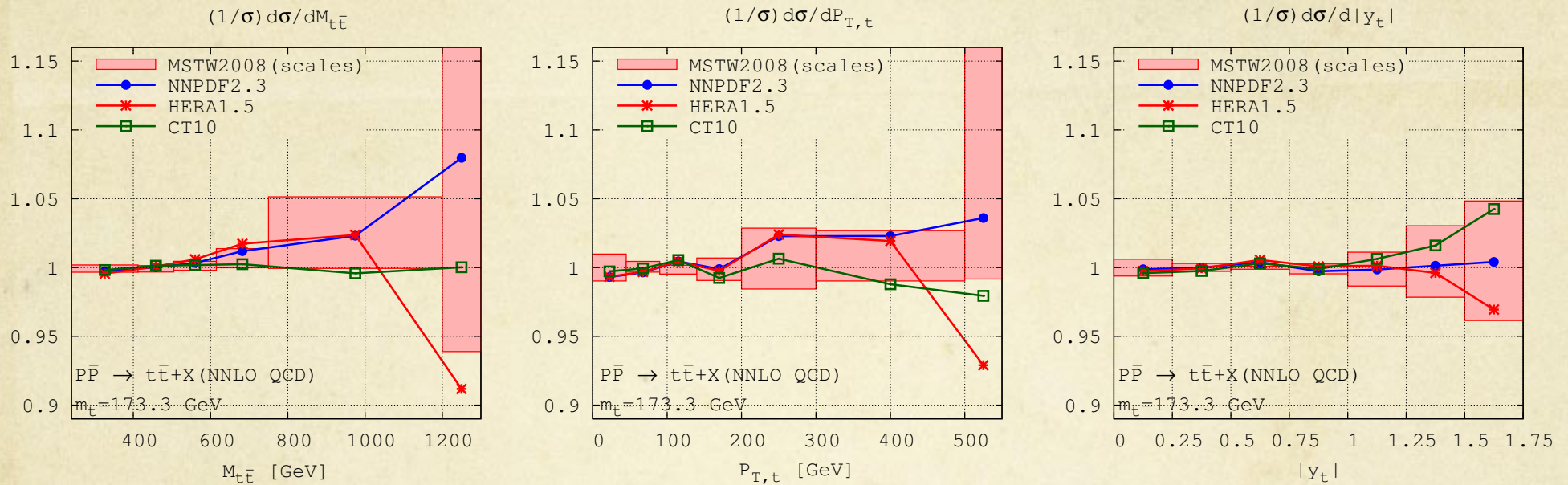


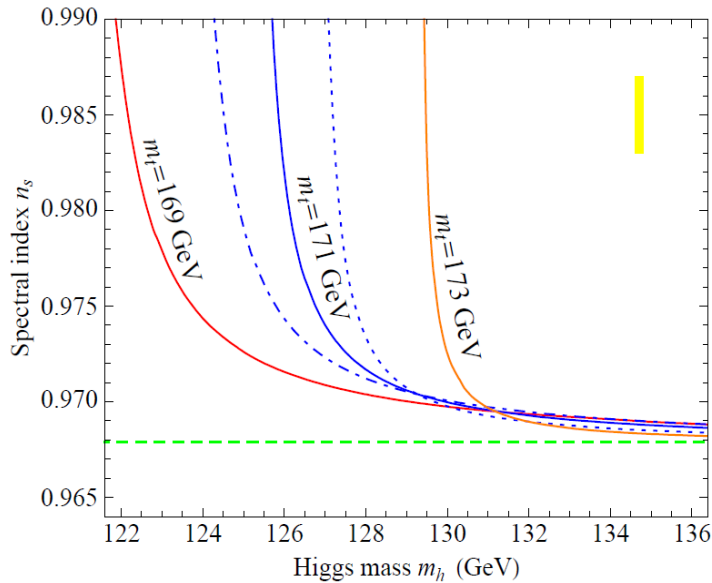
Figure 11. As in fig. 10 but for the normalised to unity distributions.

- ✓ Normalized distributions show very small sensitivity to PDF's
- ✓ Good news for m_{top} extractions from differential distributions.

Top quark mass

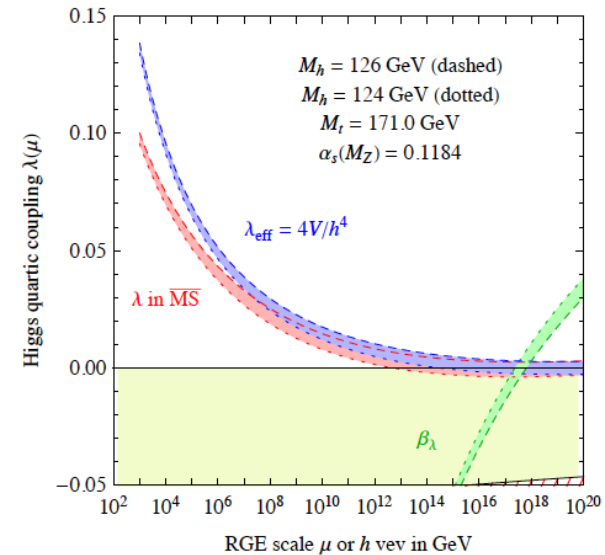
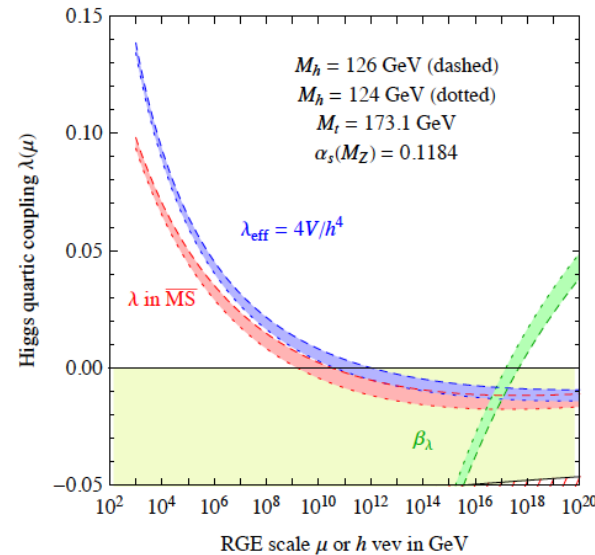
- Not only is the top mass a fundamental SM parameter. It plays outsize role in extending the SM from current collider energies to GUT energies:

Higgs inflation:



De Simone, Hertzberg, Wilczek 0812.4946

SM vacuum stability:



Degrassi, Di Vita, Elias-Miro, Espinosa, Giudice, Isidori, Strumia '12

- The implications to BSM physics are well known.
- The notable fact is that 1 GeV change in the top mass completely alters the predictions.
- So, how well do we know the top mass anyway?

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Top quark mass

- Look at the spread across current measurements:
 - $m_t = 173.34 \pm 0.76$ GeV [World Average]
 - $m_t = 172.04 \pm 0.77$ GeV [CMS Collaboration]
 - $m_t = 174.98 \pm 0.76$ GeV [D0 Collaboration]
- Comparable uncertainties; rather different central values!
 - Spread likely due to different theory systematics! Many methods proposed (recent reviews)
Juste et al arXiv:1310.0799
Moch et al arXiv:1405.4781
- I would single out leptonic observables since they are cleaner and, supposedly, under better theory control
Kawabata, Shimizu, Sumino, Yokoya '11-'14
Frixione, Mitov '14
- Another important issue: how well can we determine the top mass at LHC?
 - Current m_t error of $O(1\text{GeV})$ could in principle go down even below $O(100\text{MeV})$. Therefore, pole mass calculations for the LHC are fine.
 - Finally, what is the ultimate precision on m_t one might expect?
 - 50-100MeV from a threshold scan at a linear e^+e^- collider.
 - N³LO corrections recently completed

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Beneke, Kiyo, Marquard, Penin, Piclum, Steinhauser '15

QCD and BSM

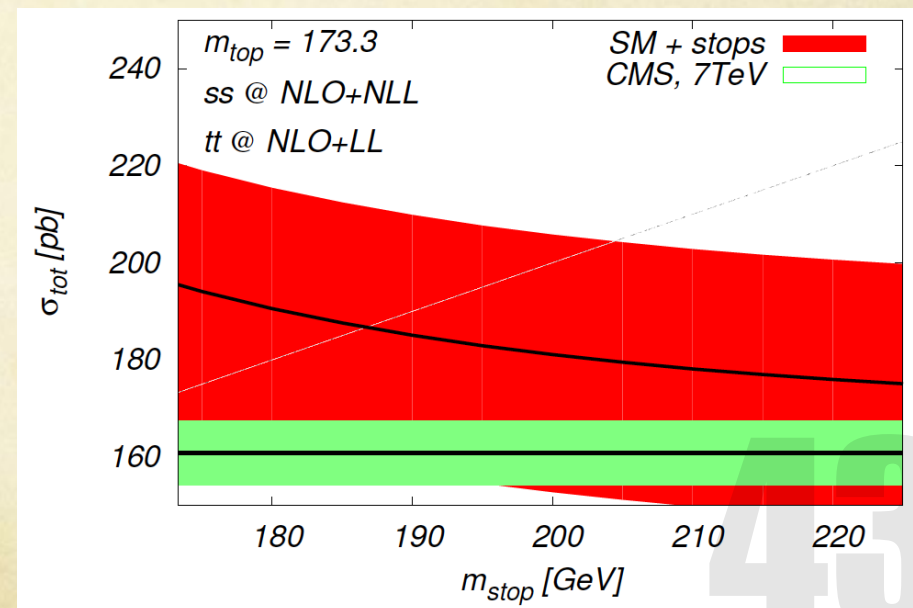
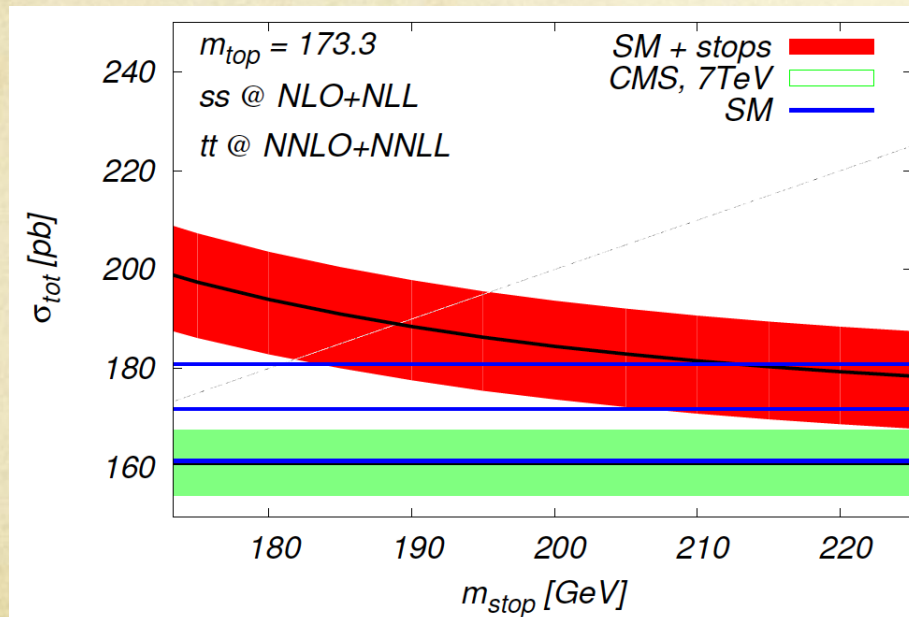


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Few thoughts on BSM and QCD

- Not only is QCD important for BSM, but BSM plays great role in developing QCD applications!
- AFB: it was a whole saga. But, it was the discrepancy and the interest in it that prompted many very deep QCD developments. Whatever the outcome, we do understand QCD/SM much better now.
- Stop searches (especially stealth stop). Can only be done with high-precision in the SM predictions. Again, this example points at the big picture of possibilities!

Czakon, Mitov, Papucci, Ruderman, Weiler '14
ATLAS '14 (1406.5375)

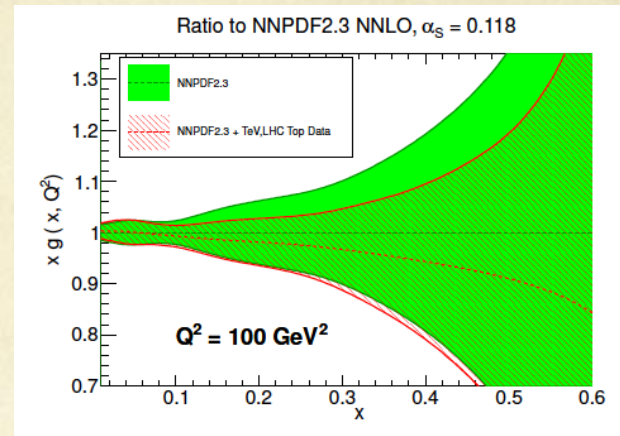


Few thoughts on BSM and QCD

- ✓ Improved gluon pdf (from LHC measurements of NNLO top and dijets) has implications to many processes at the LHC.

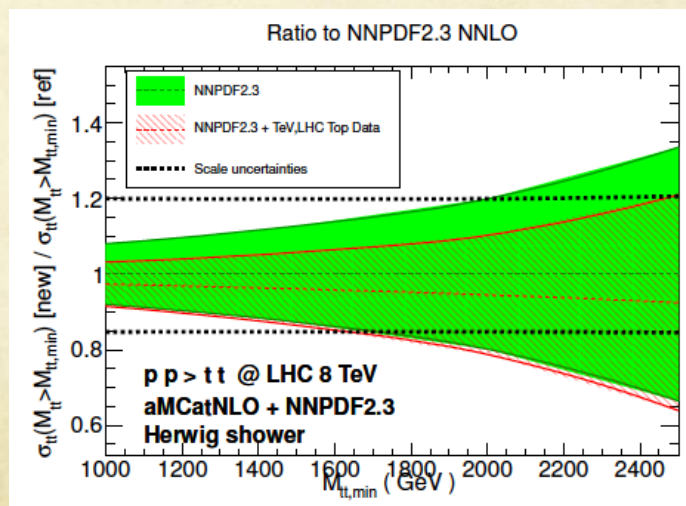
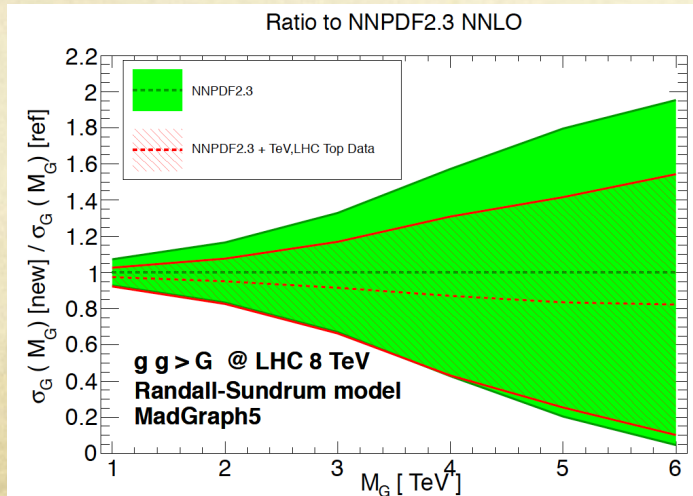
➤ Example: bSM production at large masses

“Old” (i.e. usual) and “new” (including inclusive NNLO top data) gluon pdf at large x :



... and implied PDF uncertainty due to “old” vs. “new” gluon pdf:

Czakon, Mangano, Mitov, Rojo '13



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Few thoughts on BSM and QCD

- Diboson excess:
 - Understanding better how to search for bumps
 - Tails of distributions (we are searching for bumps on a smooth background; fine but what is its slope?)
 - Jets and their structure
- Current diphoton excess:
 - It is a clean signal, which is great. But:
 - If it is an extra Higgs, it should decay to tops
 - Why hasn't it been seen in the M_{tt} spectrum?
 - One needs detailed estimate of effects; likely we are talking about $O(5\%)$ effect.
 - With large bins and current errors (even NNLO that just appeared) this is a small effect.
 - One has to devise new strategies for such searches, and this excess (real or not) is an excellent motivation. Work underway.

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For QCD aficionados:

NLO automation, parton showers



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NLO calculations: a sample of full(*) automation

Process		Syntax	Cross section (pb)					
Single Higgs production			LO 13 TeV			NLO 13 TeV		
g.1	$pp \rightarrow H$ (HEFT)	$p p > h$	$1.593 \pm 0.003 \cdot 10^1$	+34.8%	+1.2%	$3.261 \pm 0.010 \cdot 10^1$	+20.2%	+1.1%
g.2	$pp \rightarrow H j$ (HEFT)	$p p > h j$	$8.367 \pm 0.003 \cdot 10^0$	-26.0%	-1.7%	$1.422 \pm 0.006 \cdot 10^1$	-17.9%	-1.6%
g.3	$pp \rightarrow H j j$ (HEFT)	$p p > h j j$	$3.020 \pm 0.002 \cdot 10^0$	+39.4%	+1.2%	$5.124 \pm 0.020 \cdot 10^0$	+18.5%	+1.1%
g.4	$pp \rightarrow H j j$ (VBF)	$p p > h j j \ \$\$ w^+ w^- z$	$1.987 \pm 0.002 \cdot 10^0$	-26.4%	-1.4%	$1.900 \pm 0.006 \cdot 10^0$	-16.6%	-1.4%
g.5	$pp \rightarrow H j j j$ (VBF)	$p p > h j j j \ \$\$ w^+ w^- z$	$2.824 \pm 0.005 \cdot 10^{-1}$	+59.1%	+1.4%	$3.085 \pm 0.010 \cdot 10^{-1}$	+20.7%	+1.3%
g.6	$pp \rightarrow HW^\pm$	$p p > h wpm$	$1.195 \pm 0.002 \cdot 10^0$	-34.7%	-1.7%	$1.419 \pm 0.005 \cdot 10^0$	-21.0%	-1.5%
g.7	$pp \rightarrow HW^\pm j$	$p p > h wpm j$	$4.018 \pm 0.003 \cdot 10^{-1}$	+1.7%	+1.9%	$4.842 \pm 0.017 \cdot 10^{-1}$	+0.8%	+2.0%
g.8*	$pp \rightarrow HW^\pm j j$	$p p > h wpm j j$	$1.198 \pm 0.016 \cdot 10^{-1}$	-2.0%	-1.4%	$1.574 \pm 0.014 \cdot 10^{-1}$	-0.9%	-1.5%
g.9	$pp \rightarrow HZ$	$p p > h z$	$6.468 \pm 0.008 \cdot 10^{-1}$	+15.7%	+1.5%	$7.674 \pm 0.027 \cdot 10^{-1}$	+2.0%	+1.9%
g.10	$pp \rightarrow HZ j$	$p p > h z j$	$2.225 \pm 0.001 \cdot 10^{-1}$	-12.7%	-1.0%	$2.667 \pm 0.010 \cdot 10^{-1}$	-3.0%	-1.1%
g.11*	$pp \rightarrow HZ j j$	$p p > h z j j$	$7.262 \pm 0.012 \cdot 10^{-2}$	+3.5%	+1.9%	$8.753 \pm 0.037 \cdot 10^{-2}$	+2.1%	+1.9%
g.12*	$pp \rightarrow HW^+W^-$ (4f)	$p p > h w^+ w^-$	$8.325 \pm 0.139 \cdot 10^{-3}$	-4.5%	-1.5%	$1.065 \pm 0.003 \cdot 10^{-2}$	-2.6%	-1.4%
g.13*	$pp \rightarrow HW^\pm \gamma$	$p p > h wpm a$	$2.518 \pm 0.006 \cdot 10^{-3}$	+10.7%	+1.2%	$3.309 \pm 0.011 \cdot 10^{-3}$	+3.6%	+1.2%
g.14*	$pp \rightarrow HZW^\pm$	$p p > h z wpm$	$3.763 \pm 0.007 \cdot 10^{-3}$	-9.3%	-0.9%	$5.292 \pm 0.015 \cdot 10^{-3}$	-3.7%	-1.0%
g.15*	$pp \rightarrow HZZ$	$p p > h z z$	$2.093 \pm 0.003 \cdot 10^{-3}$	+26.1%	+0.8%	$2.538 \pm 0.007 \cdot 10^{-3}$	+5.0%	+0.9%
g.16	$pp \rightarrow Ht\bar{t}$	$p p > h t t\sim$	$3.579 \pm 0.003 \cdot 10^{-1}$	-19.4%	-0.6%	$4.608 \pm 0.016 \cdot 10^{-1}$	-6.5%	-0.6%
g.17	$pp \rightarrow Htj$	$p p > h tt j$	$4.994 \pm 0.005 \cdot 10^{-2}$	+0.0%	+2.0%	$6.328 \pm 0.022 \cdot 10^{-2}$	+2.5%	+2.0%
g.18	$pp \rightarrow Hb\bar{b}$ (4f)	$p p > h b b\sim$	$4.983 \pm 0.002 \cdot 10^{-1}$	-0.3%	-1.6%	$6.085 \pm 0.026 \cdot 10^{-1}$	-1.9%	-1.5%
g.19	$pp \rightarrow Ht\bar{t}j$	$p p > h t t\sim j$	$2.674 \pm 0.041 \cdot 10^{-1}$	+0.7%	+1.9%	$3.244 \pm 0.025 \cdot 10^{-1}$	+2.7%	+1.7%
g.20*	$pp \rightarrow Hb\bar{b}j$ (4f)	$p p > h b b\sim j$	$7.367 \pm 0.002 \cdot 10^{-2}$	-1.4%	-1.5%	$9.034 \pm 0.032 \cdot 10^{-2}$	-2.0%	-1.4%
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MadGraph5_aMC@NLO: sample from 172 processes

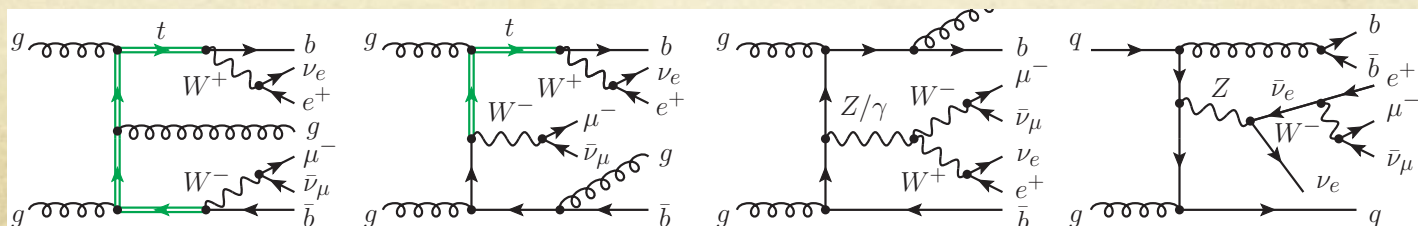
Courtesy of M. Grazzini

*) within reason and some limits ...

NLO calculations: full(*) automation

- NLO calculations have become so advanced and almost fully automated that, really, there is no excuse to use LO in serious analyses!
- I would mention the aMC@NLO collaboration which has taken the approach of full automation + shower following the extremely successful MC@NLO approach.
- NLO automation allows not only QCD but any SM process. In principle these are contained now in the aMC@NLO.
- Similar developments from the Sherpa+OpenLoops collaboration (see [arXiv:1412.5157](https://arxiv.org/abs/1412.5157))
- The number of high-quality works I can't cover here is enormous. Let me only mention few:
 - Denner/Dittmaier et al
 - The Helac collaboration
 - GOSAM project
 - Njet library
 - BlackHat Collaboration
 - MCFM
- Among the most impressive results ever achieved at NLO is the monstrous tt+jet calculation with full off-shell effects and top decay:

Bevilacqua, Hartanto, Kraus, Worek 1509.09242



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Summary

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Summary

- QCD is the workhorse of LHC physics
- Great recent developments allow for unprecedented accuracy and flexibility:
 - NLO calculations are mature and used everywhere
 - NLO is now fully included in “event generators” like MC@NLO, POWHEG, Sherpa.
 - NNLO is now actively developed and very soon all major 2-to-2 processes (which I discussed here) will be completed.
 - For newest results: stay tuned to the Moriond presentations during next 2 weeks.
- What about the future?
 - Improved accuracies in all interesting processes. Match/beat experimental precision.
 - Ultimately, we want to help answer the question: is there New Physics in the TeV range?
 - People are also thinking about the far future:
 - Future e^+e^- collider of some sort (ILC, CLIC, etc)
 - A future 100 TeV hadron collider (i.e. much bigger future LHC)

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