

QCD Corrections to Weak Vector Boson Production Associated to Heavy Quark Jets at Hadron Colliders

W/Z bb & W b @ NLO

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- Wb

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- W+2b-jets (backgrounds to single-top and t tbar production)
- Wb

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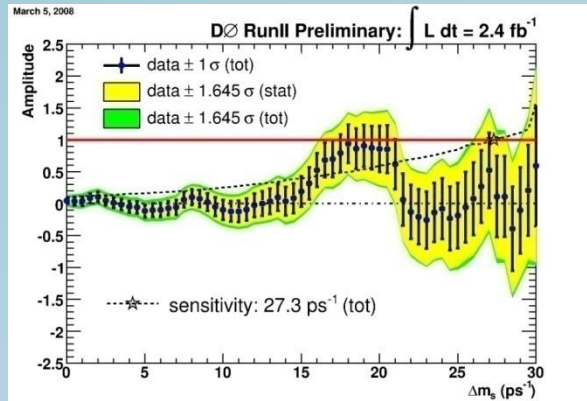
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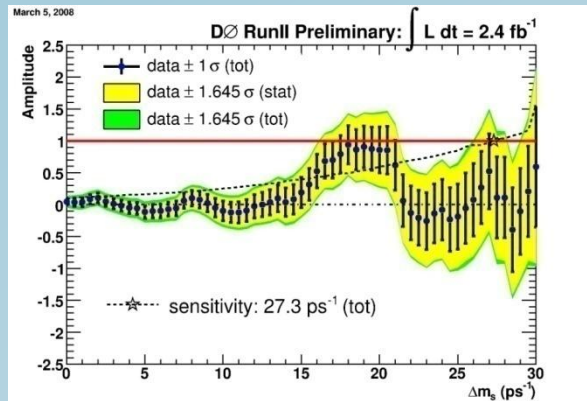
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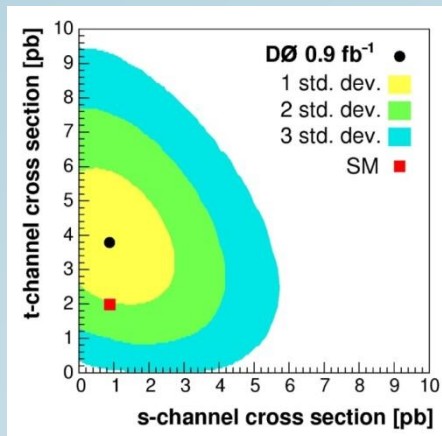
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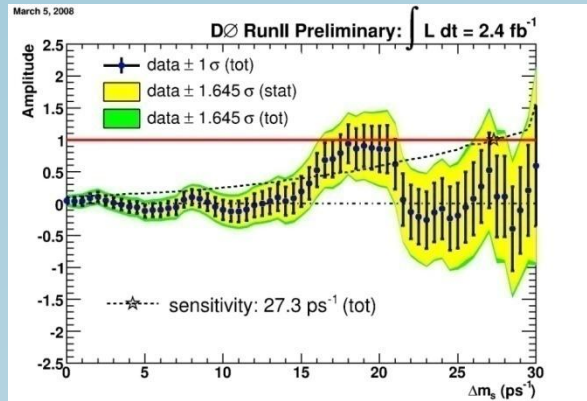
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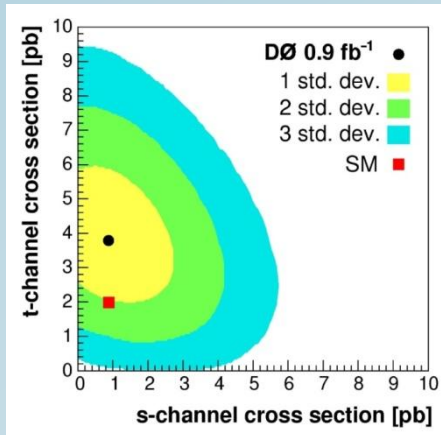
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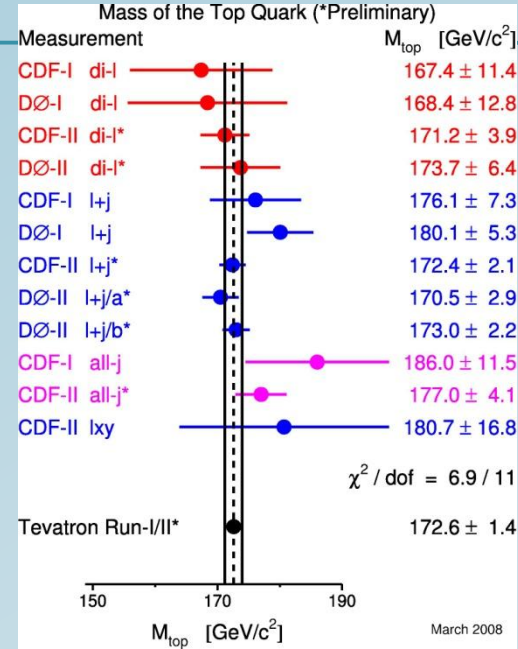


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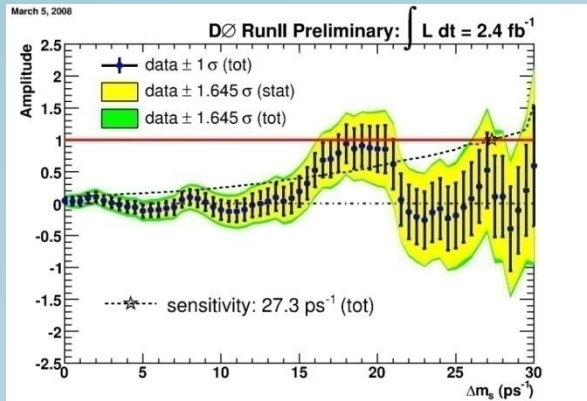
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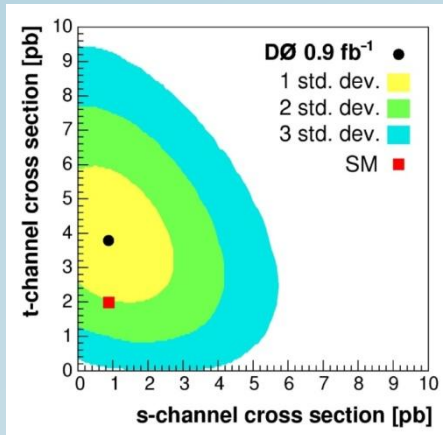


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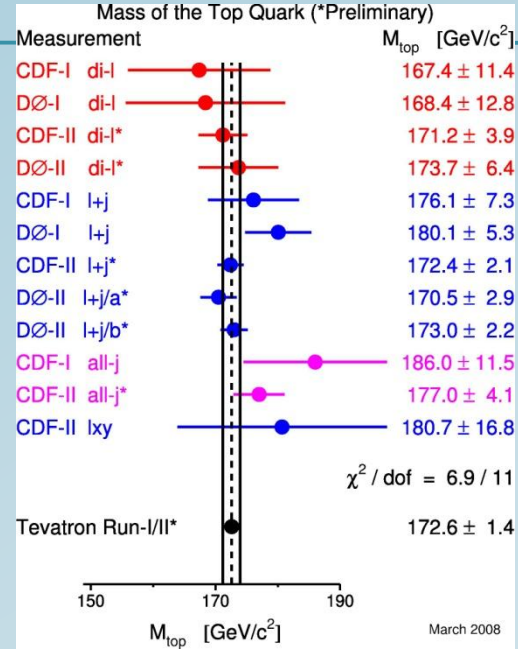


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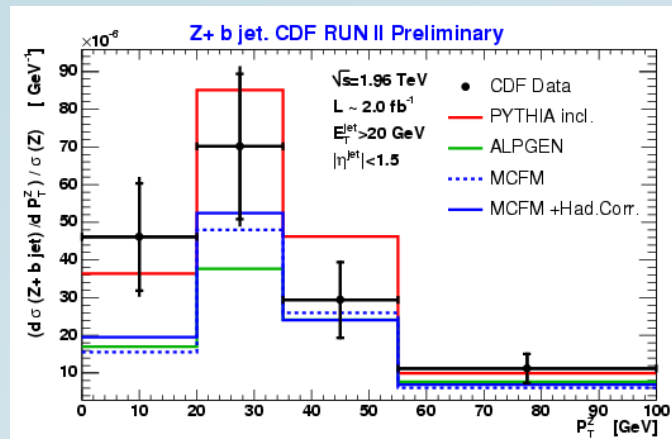


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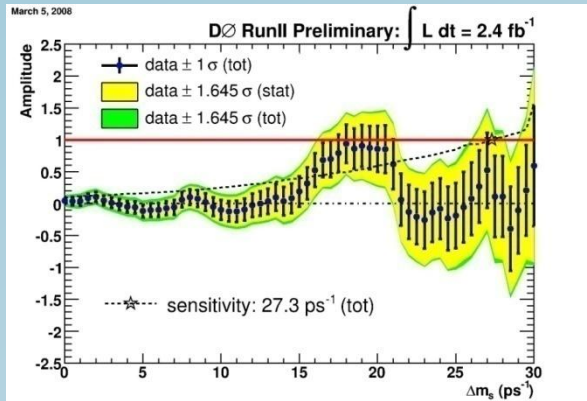


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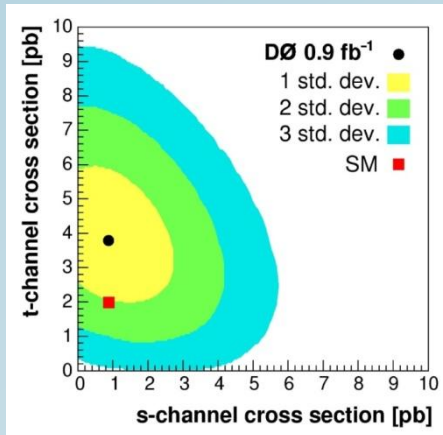


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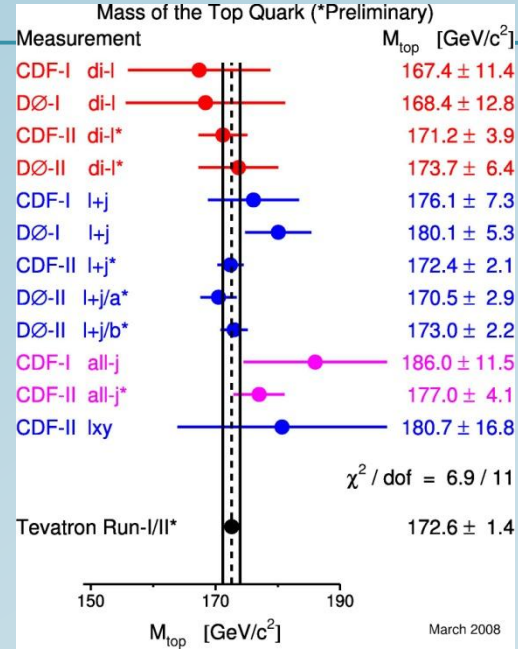


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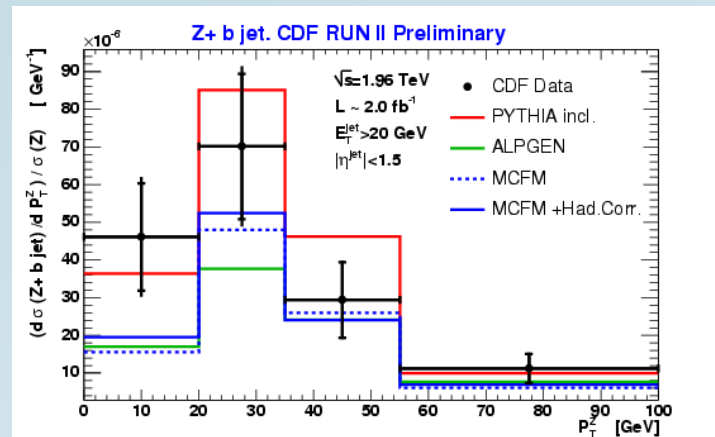


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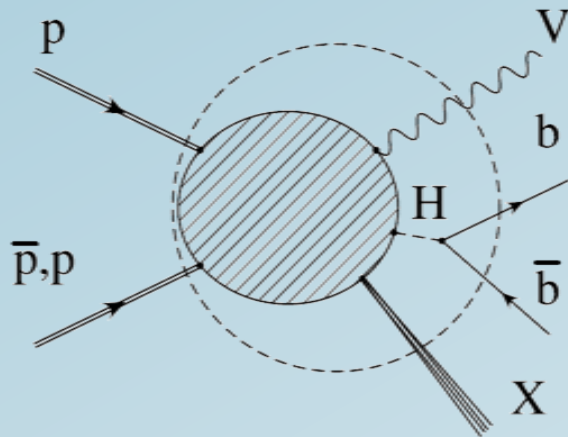


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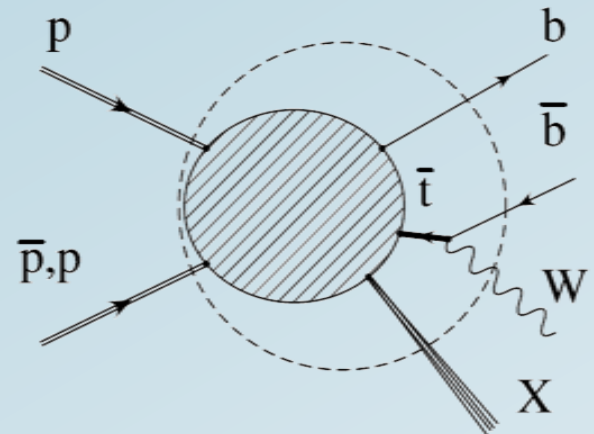


QCD CORRECTIONS TO WEAK BOSONS AND B-JETS

Light SM Higgs associated production with W and Z bosons



Single-Top production



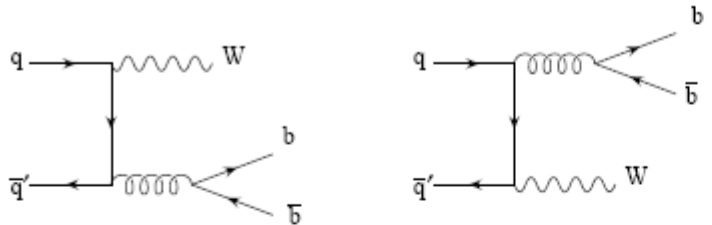
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QCD corrections to weak bosons and b-jets

- $V \rightarrow 4$ partons: 1-loop massless amplitudes [Bern, Dixon, Kosower,1997]
- $pp \rightarrow Vbb$: @NLO, in the 4FS, but with $m_b=0$ [Campbell, Ellis,1999]
- $pp \rightarrow Vbj$: @NLO, in the 5FS [Campbell, Ellis, Maltoni, Willenbrock, 2005,2007]
- $pp \rightarrow Wbb$: @NLO, in the 4FS, $m_b \neq 0$ [FFC, Reina, Wackerath,2006]
- $pp \rightarrow Zbb$: @NLO, in the 4FS, $m_b \neq 0$ [FFC, Reina, Wackerath,2008]
- $pp \rightarrow Wb$: @NLO, in the 5FS [Campbell, Ellis, FFC, Maltoni, Reina, Wackerath, Willenbrock, in progress]

NLO QCD corrections to W/Z bb

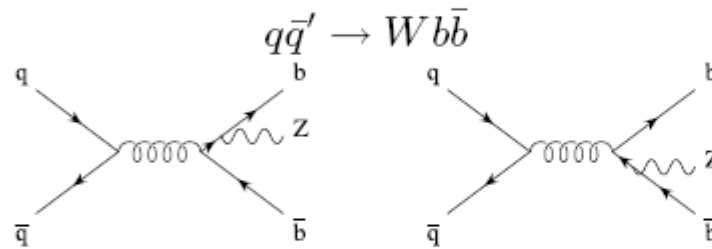
LO Feynman diagrams:



Subprocesses at LO:

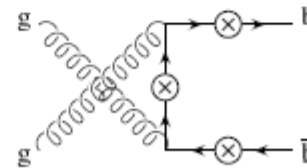
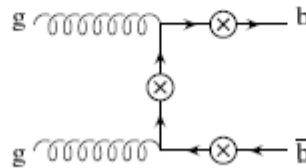
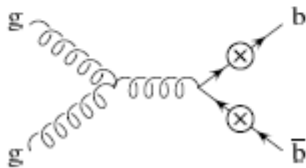
→ $Wb\bar{b}$: $q\bar{q}' \rightarrow Wb\bar{b}$

→ $Zb\bar{b}$: $q\bar{q} \rightarrow Zb\bar{b}$ and
 $gg \rightarrow Zb\bar{b}$



$q\bar{q}' \rightarrow Wb\bar{b}$

$q\bar{q} \rightarrow Zb\bar{b}$



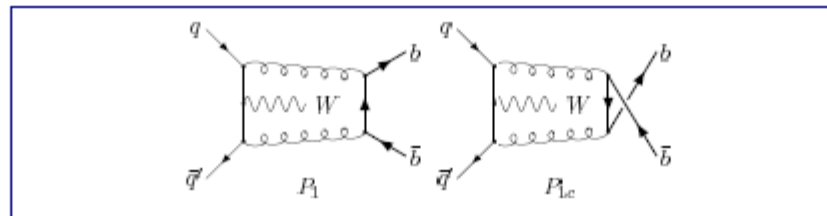
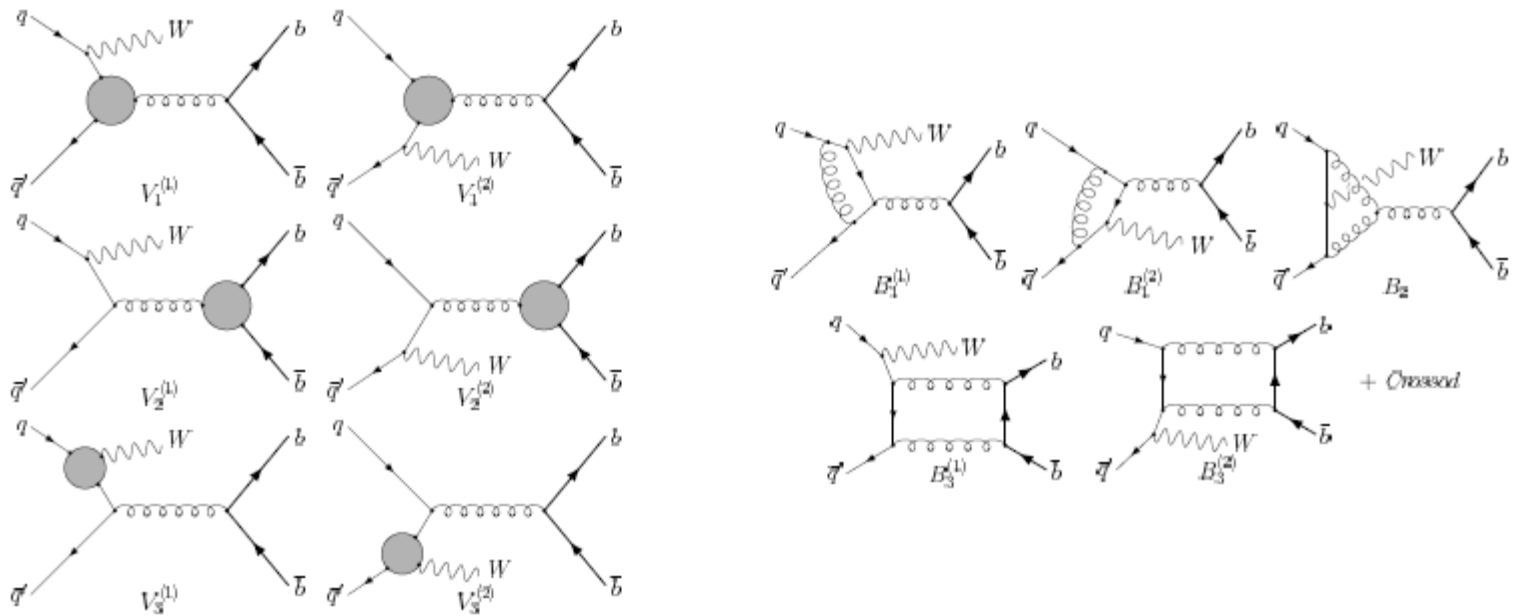
$gg \rightarrow Zb\bar{b}$

The Calculation

NLO QCD corrections to W/Z bb

Virtual corrections: calculating $\hat{\sigma}_{ij}^{\text{virt}}$

Some of the $Wb\bar{b}$ Diagrams

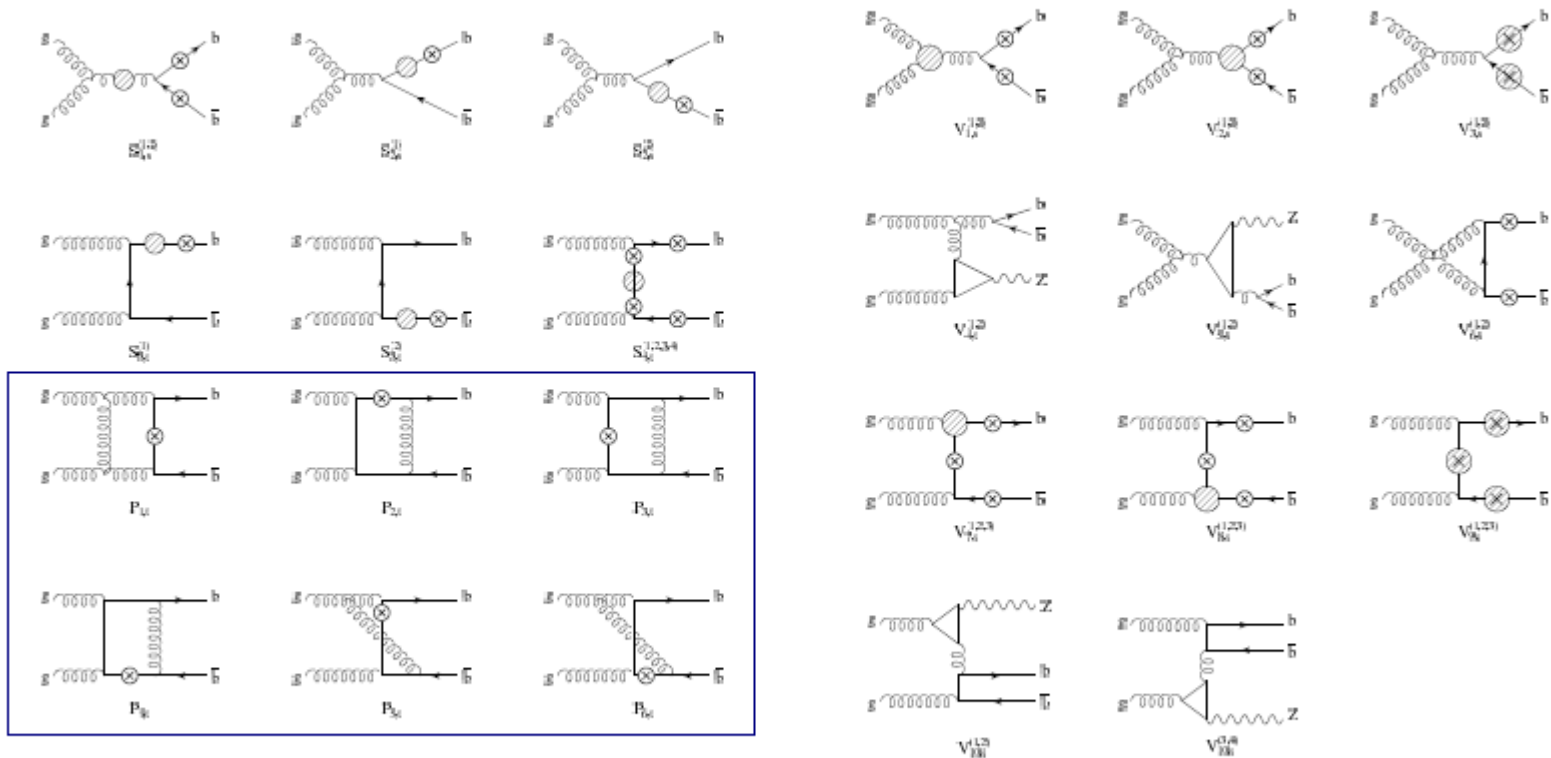


→ Counting: 2 diagrams at LO - ~ 30 at NLO - 2 pentagons

NLO QCD corrections to W/Z bb

Virtual corrections: calculating $\hat{\sigma}_{ij}^{\text{virt}}$

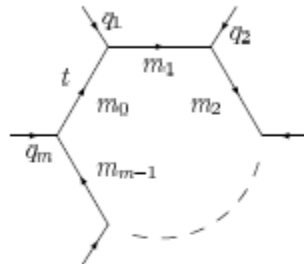
Some of the $gg \rightarrow Zbb$ Diagrams



→ Counting: 8 diagrams at LO - ~ 100 at NLO - 12 pentagons

NLO QCD corrections to W/Z bb

Virtual corrections: calculating $\hat{\sigma}_{ij}^{\text{virt}}$ - The Integrals

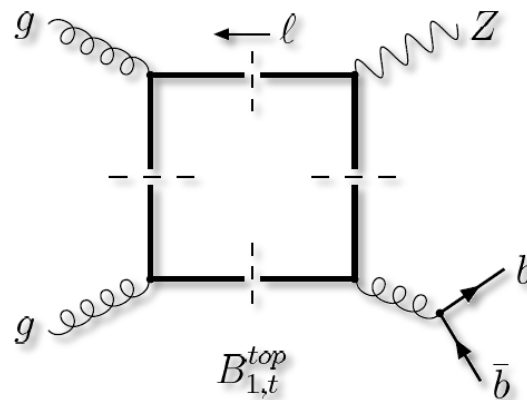


$$I_n^{\{0, \mu_1 \dots \mu_n\}}(q_1, \dots, q_{m-1}, m_0, \dots, m_{m-1}) = \int \frac{d^d t}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{\{1, t^{\mu_1} \dots t^{\mu_n}\}}{[t^2 - m_0^2][(t + q_1)^2 - m_1^2] \cdots [(t + q_1 + \dots + q_{m-1})^2 - m_{m-1}^2]} .$$

- Tensor integrals reduced using the **Passarino-Veltman (PV) method**
- Intermediate spurious divergencies — appearance of inverse powers of **GDs**

NLO QCD corrections to W/Z bb

One Check: Comparing to Generalized Unitarity Methods



[Bern,Dixon,Kosower]

[Britto,Cachazo,Feng]

• Extract box contributions using BCF ansatz and compare to coefficient of corresponding box in our calculation

$$d_{1234} = \sum_{t=\ell_{\bar{+}}} (t^2 - m_t^2) ((t + p_1)^2 - m_t^2) ((t + p_1 + p_2)^2 - m_t^2) ((t + p_z)^2 - m_t^2) B_{1,t}^{top} \Big|_t$$

• Playground for one-loop unitarity techniques including (up to 2) massive fermions lines



NLO QCD corrections to W/Z bb

Real corrections: calculating $\hat{\sigma}_{ij}^{\text{real}}$ - PSS δ_s and δ_c cuts

[Bergmann,Harris,Owens]

1. Soft cut for extra parton: $E_g \leq \delta_s \sqrt{s}/2$ defines:

$$\hat{\sigma}^{\text{real}} = \hat{\sigma}^{\text{soft}} + \hat{\sigma}^{\text{hard}}$$

$\hat{\sigma}^{\text{soft}}$ calculated in the soft limit ($E_g \rightarrow 0$).

2. Collinear cut for extra parton: $(1 - \cos \theta) < \delta_c$ defines:

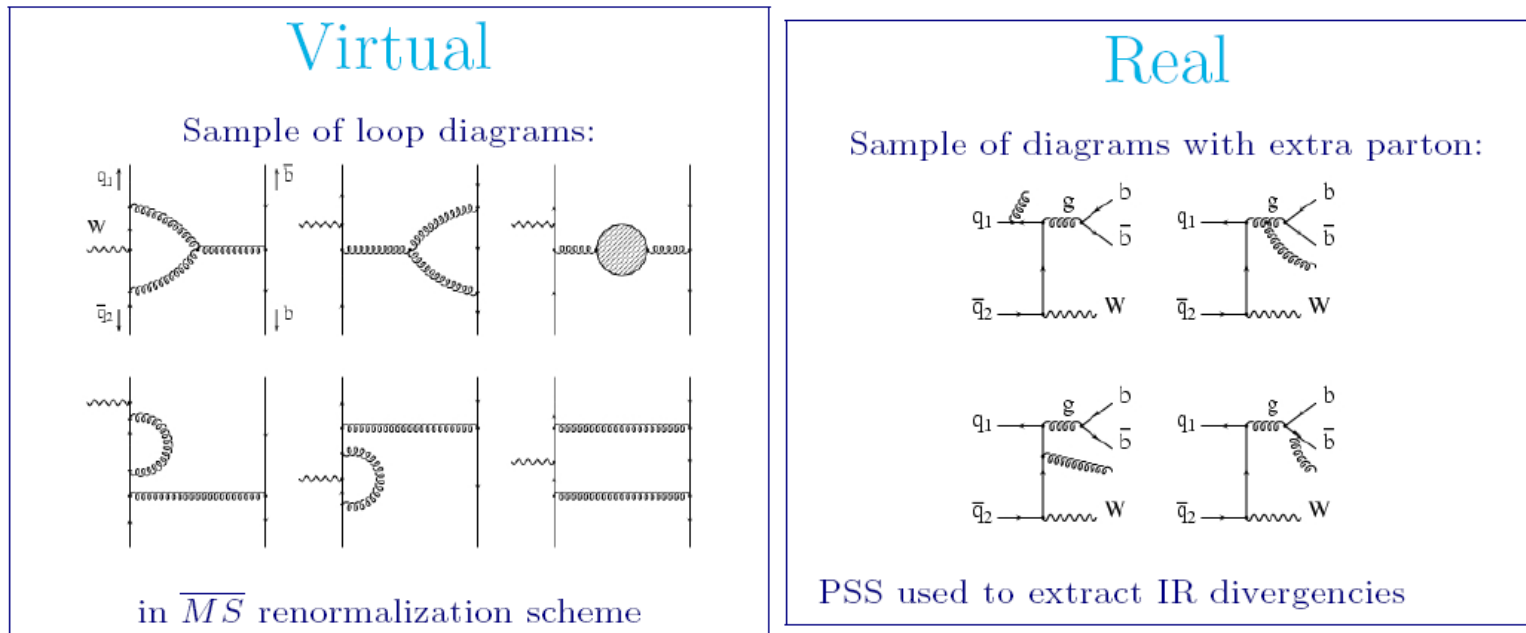
$$\hat{\sigma}^{\text{hard}} = \hat{\sigma}^{\text{hard/coll}} + \hat{\sigma}^{\text{hard/non-coll}}$$

$\hat{\sigma}^{\text{hard/coll}}$ calculated in the collinear limit ($\theta \rightarrow 0$).

The Calculation

NLO QCD corrections to W/Z bb

$\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$ corrections: combining virtual and real pieces



- After renormalization, $\hat{\sigma}^{\text{virt}}$ is UV finite
- IR-divergencies of $\hat{\sigma}^{\text{virt}}$ canceled by IR-divergencies of $\hat{\sigma}^{\text{real}}$
- Remaining IR-divergencies reabsorbed into PDFs
- Final Hadronic cross section is finite

Z bb @ the Tevatron

Summary of LO and NLO Zbb total cross sections, for both massive and massless

Cross Section	$m_b \neq 0$ (pb) [ratio]	$m_b = 0$ (pb) [ratio]
σ^{LO}	2.21 [-]	2.37 [-]
σ^{NLO} inclusive	3.39 [1.53]	3.64 [1.54]
σ^{NLO} exclusive	2.80 [1.23]	3.01 [1.24]

cuts: $p_t > 15$ GeV

$|\eta| < 2$

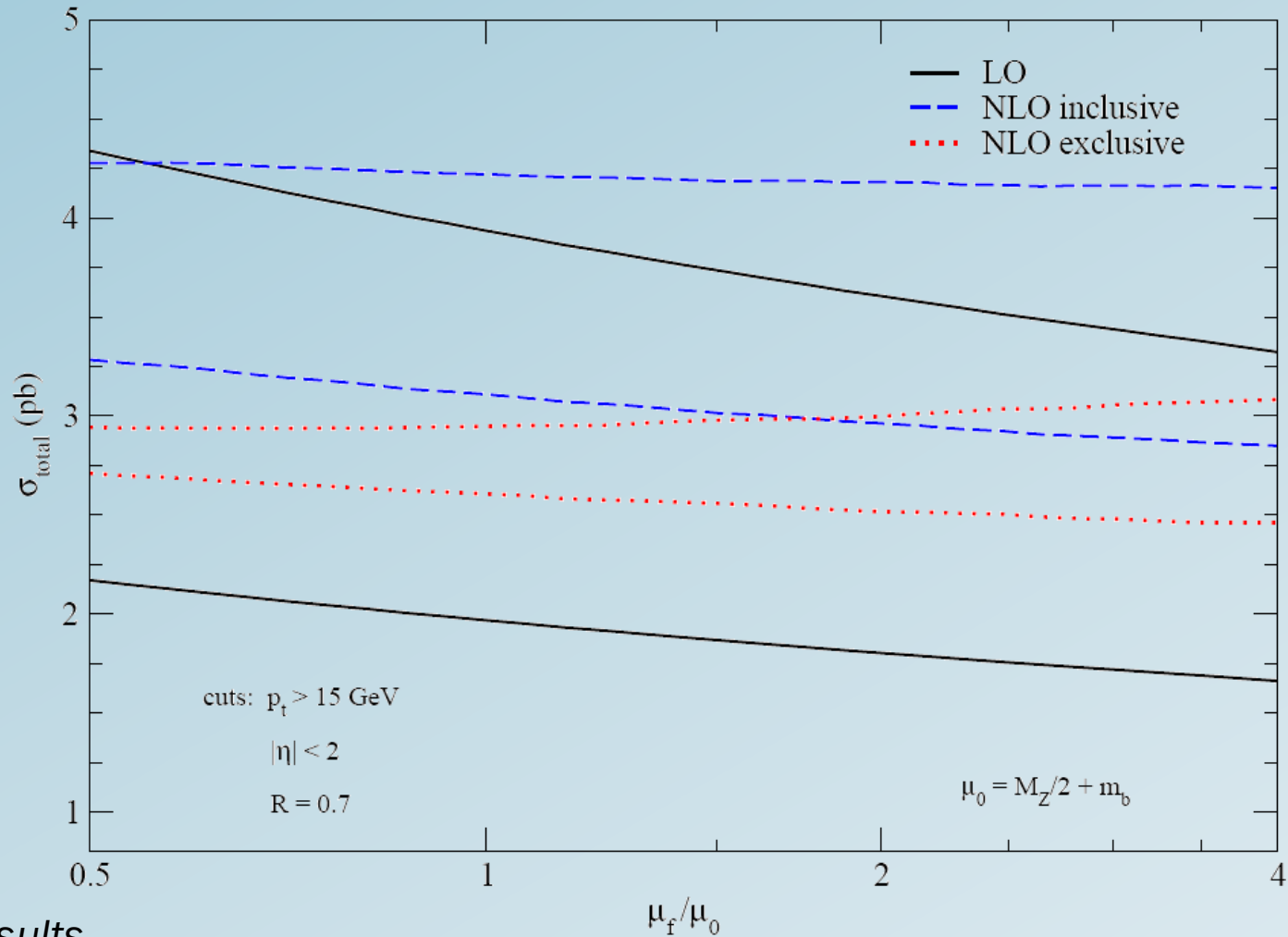
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Massless results: [MCFM]

$$\mu_r = \mu_f = M_Z + 2m_b$$

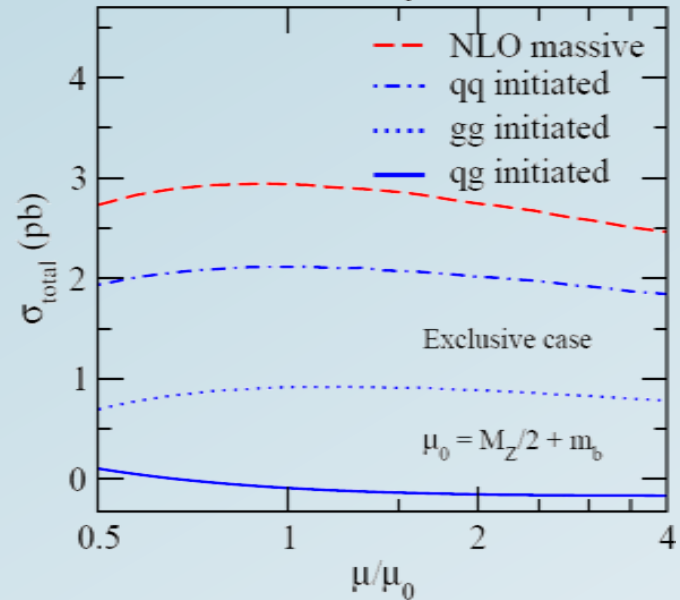
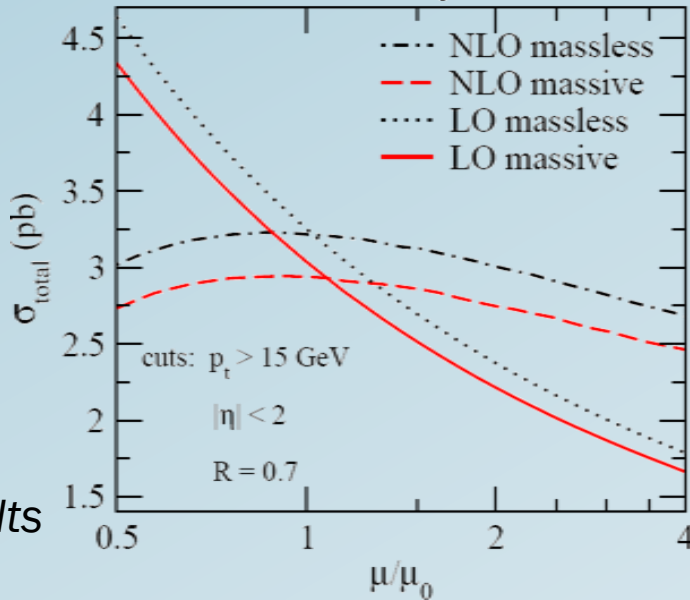
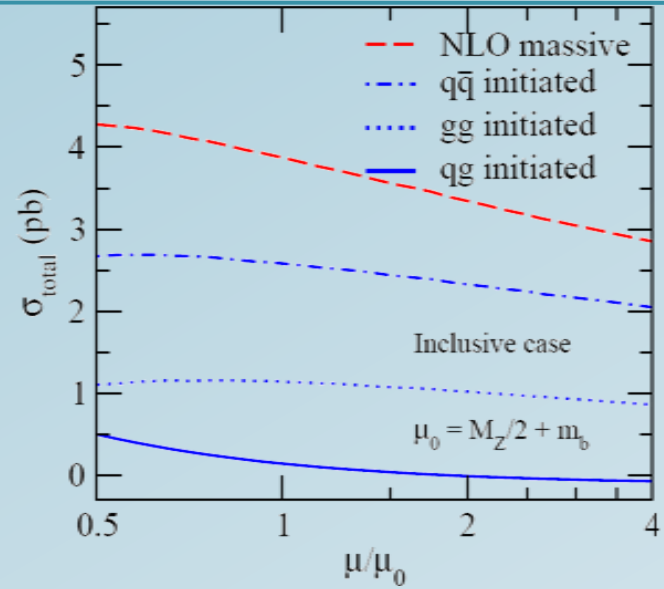
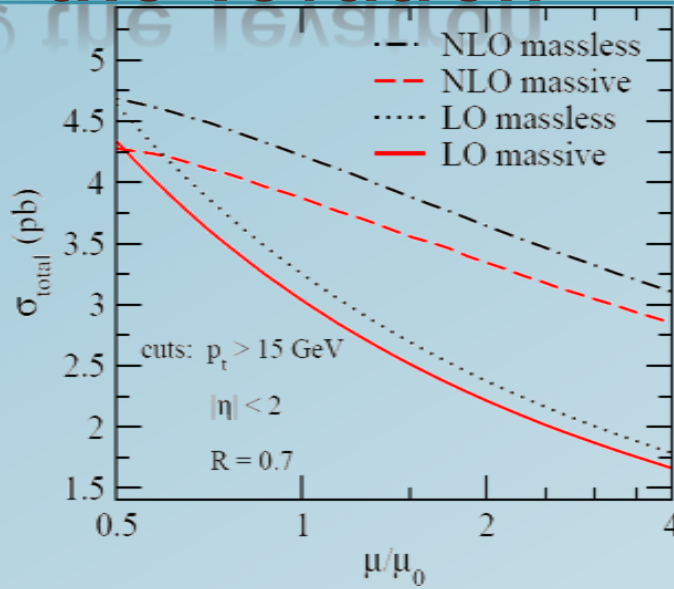
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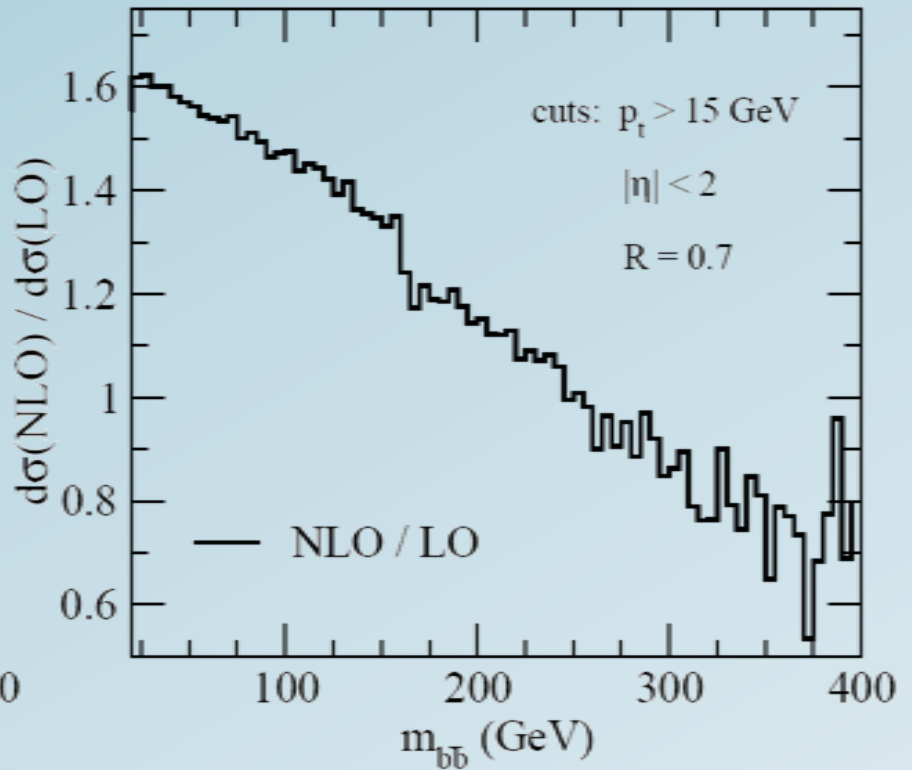
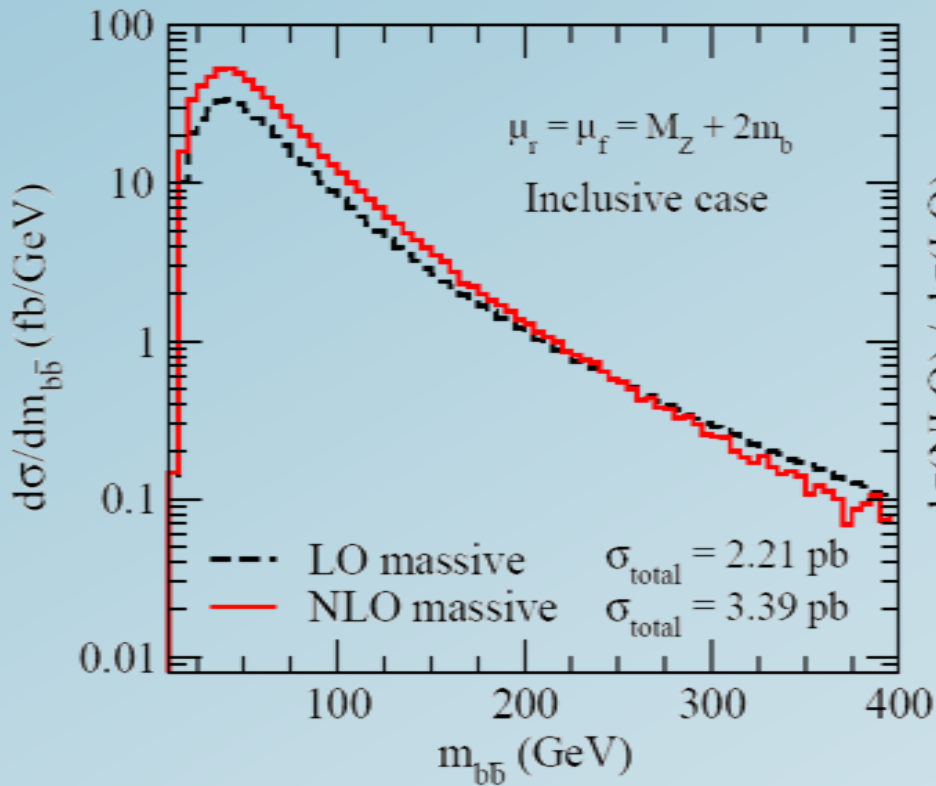
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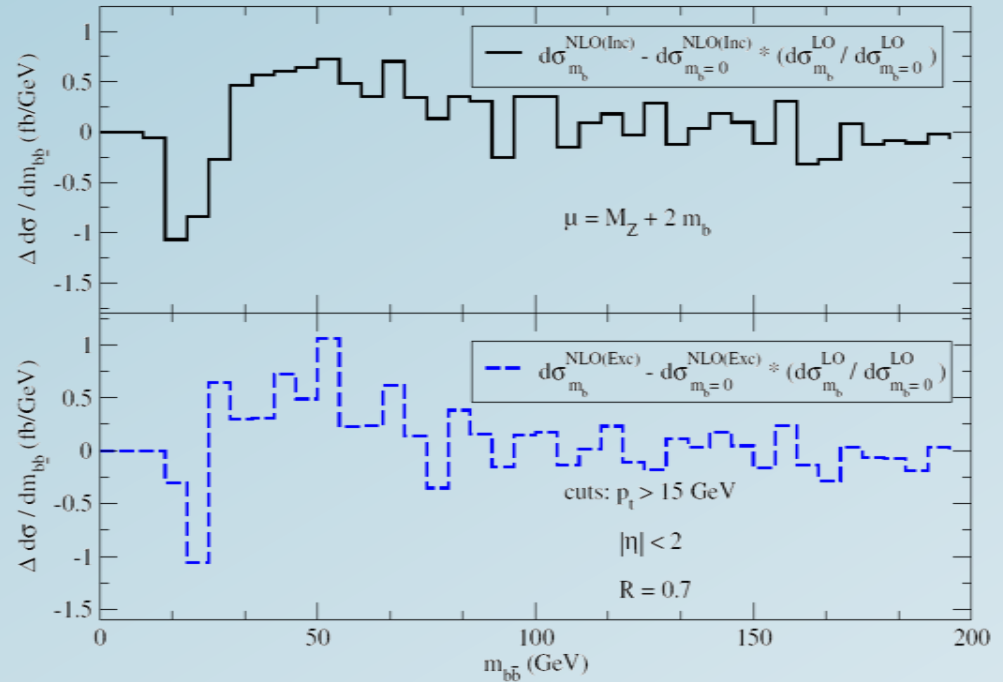
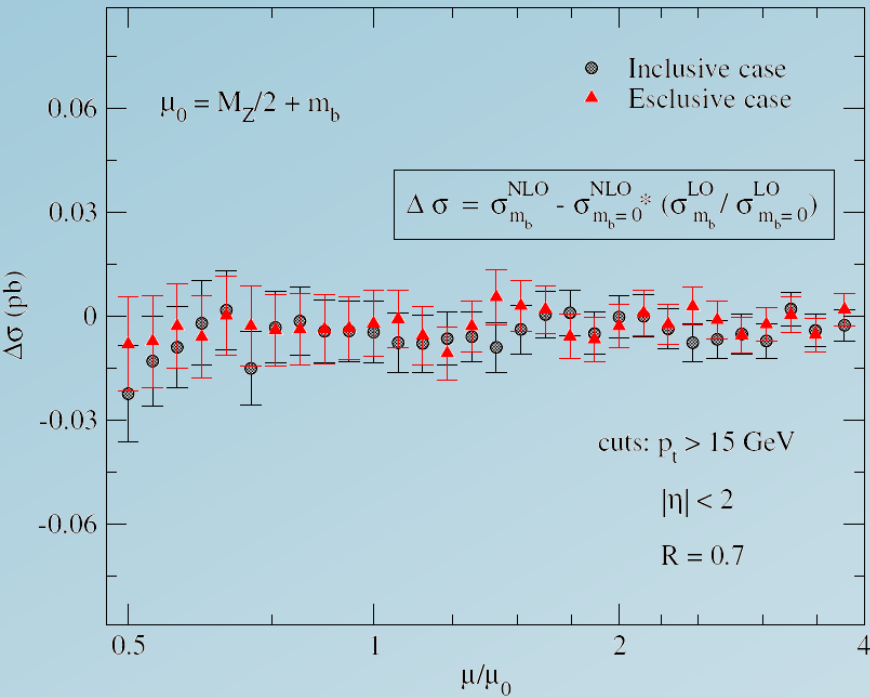
Z bb @ the Tevatron



The trouble with K-factors!

Results

Z bb @ the Tevatron



...better a rescaling!

$$\Delta \sigma = \sigma^{\text{NLO}}(m_b \neq 0) - \sigma^{\text{NLO}}(m_b = 0) \frac{\sigma^{\text{LO}}(m_b \neq 0)}{\sigma^{\text{LO}}(m_b = 0)}$$

Results

W bb @ the Tevatron

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...effects similar to Zbb, so let's look some data relevant to ongoing searches at CDF and DZero:

Single top

cuts: $p_t(\text{lead}) > 25 \text{ GeV}$

$|\eta(\text{lead})| < 2.5$

$p_t(\text{sub-lead}) > 15 \text{ GeV}$

$|\eta(\text{sub-lead})| < 3.4$

$R = 0.7$

LO: 2.78 pb

NLO: 3.34 pb

t tbar production

cuts: $p_t(\text{lead}) > 40 \text{ GeV}$

$|\eta(\text{lead})| < 2.5$

$p_t(\text{sub-lead}) > 20 \text{ GeV}$

$|\eta(\text{sub-lead})| < 3.4$

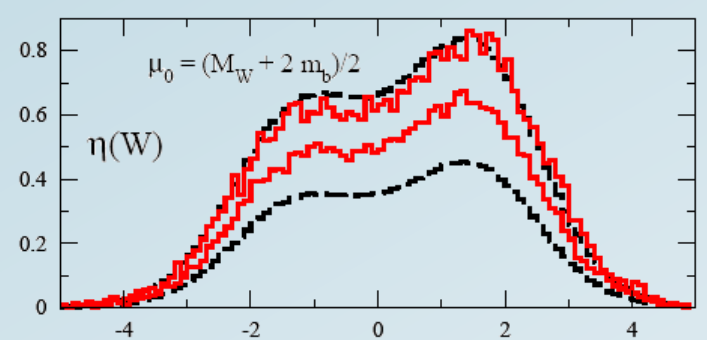
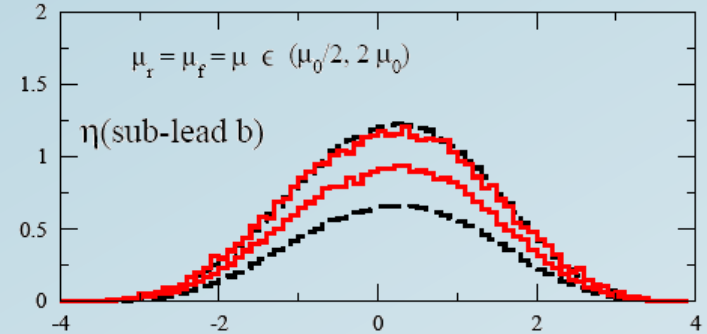
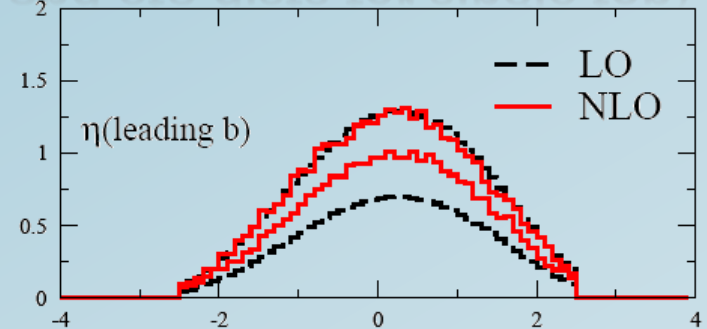
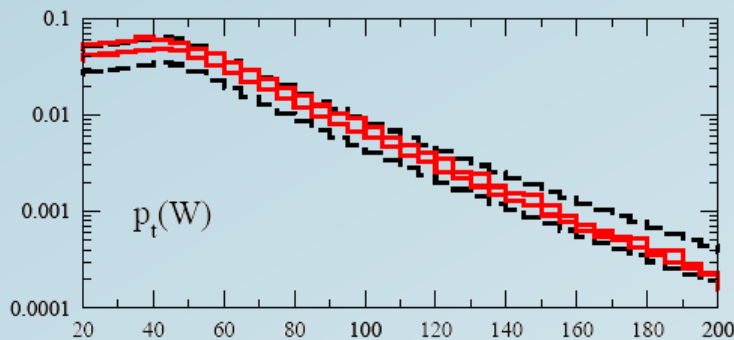
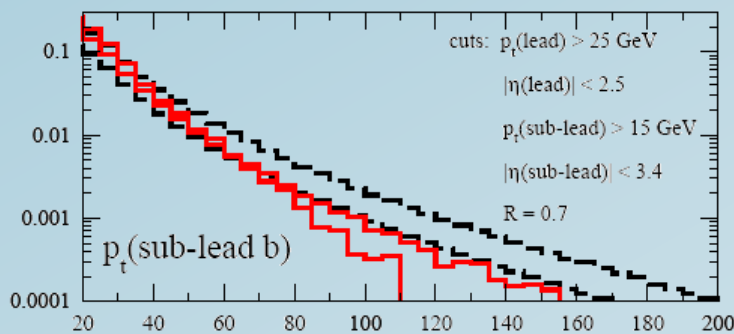
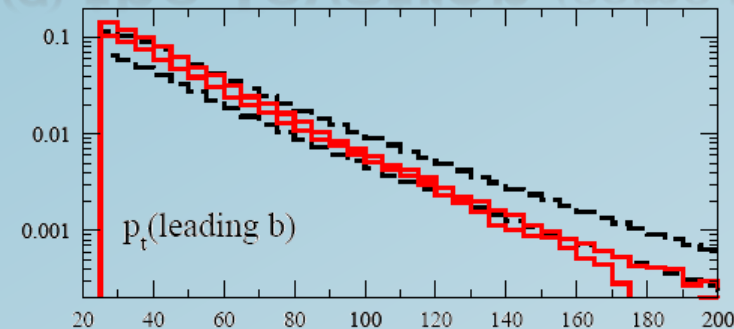
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NLO: 1.37 pb

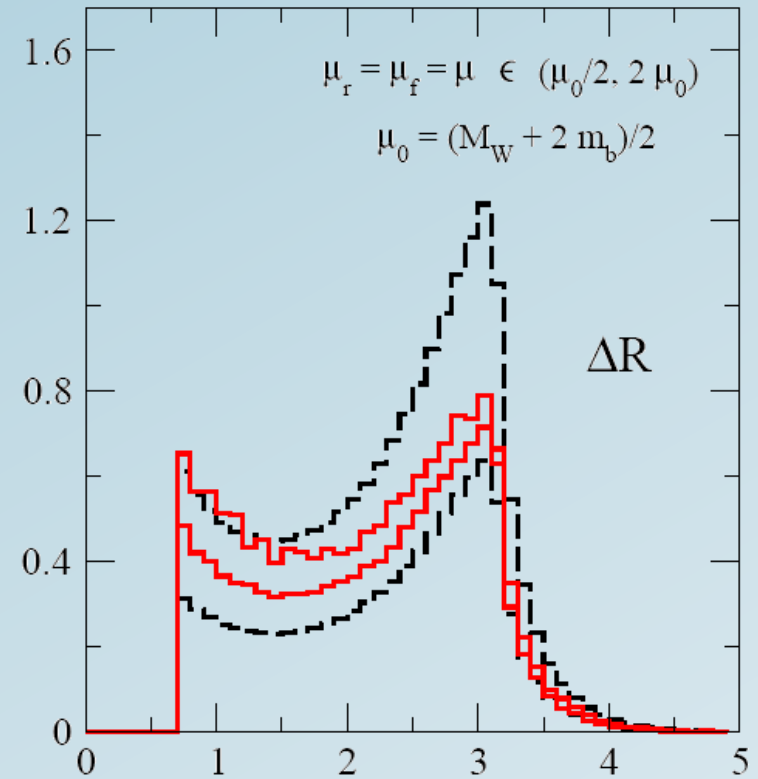
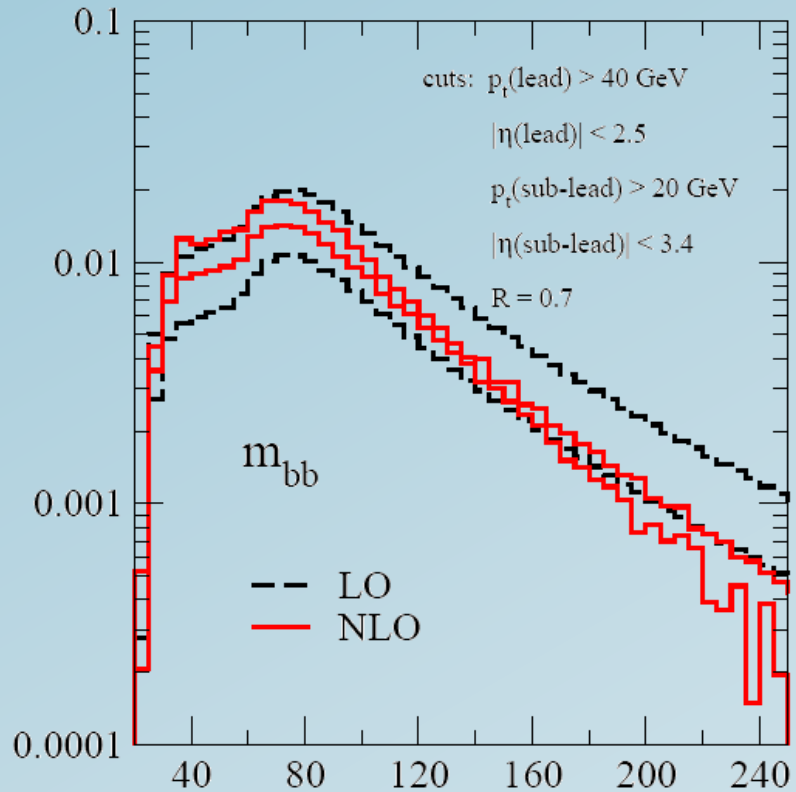
Results

W bb @ the Tevatron (some pt and eta dists for single top)



Results

W bb @ the Tevatron (some mbb and Delta_R dists for t tbar)



Results

W b + X: *divide et impera*

W bb (FF)

$$q\bar{q}' \rightarrow Wb\bar{b}$$

$$q\bar{q}' \rightarrow Wb\bar{b}g$$

$$gq \rightarrow Wb\bar{b}q'$$

W bj (VF)

$$bq \rightarrow Wbq'$$

$$bq \rightarrow Wbq'g$$

$$bg \rightarrow Wbq'\bar{q}$$

$$gq \rightarrow Wb\bar{b}q'$$

[FFC,Reina,Wackerath]

[Campbell,Ellis,Maltoni,Willenbrock]

W b+X & W(bb) + X @ NLO (VF)

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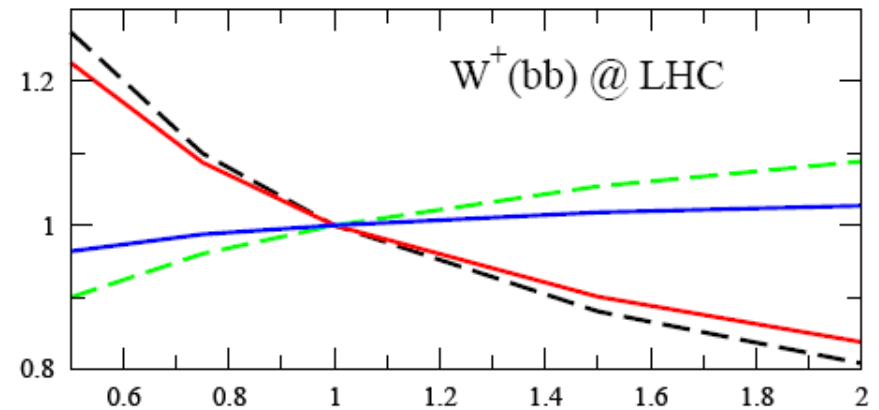
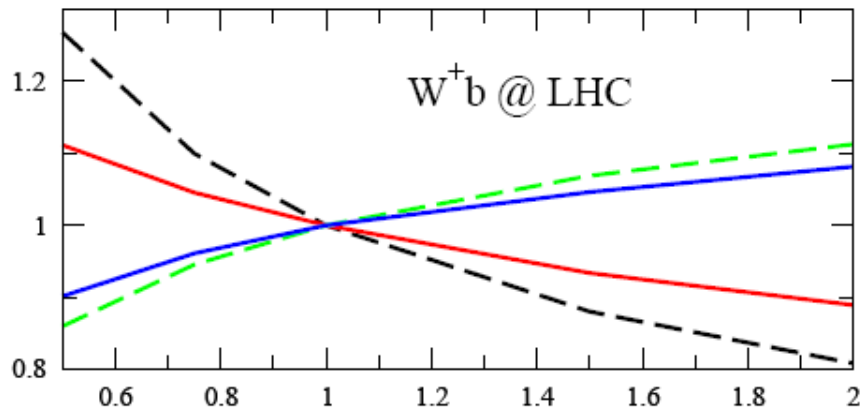
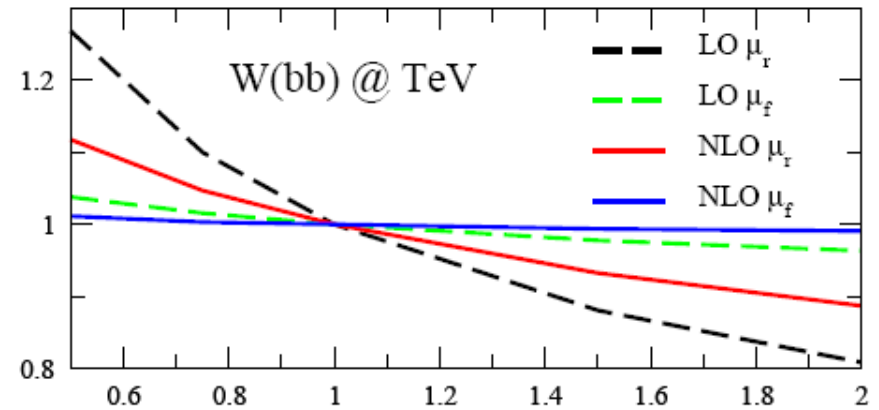
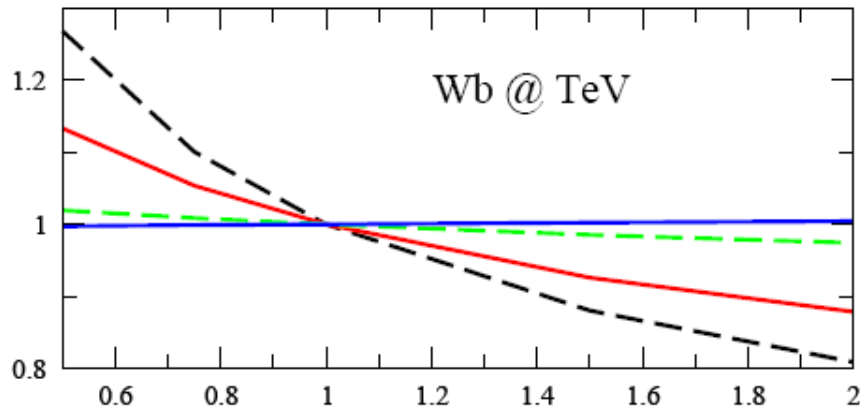
IN PROGRESS

W b @ Tevatron & LHC: ~~–PRELIMINARY–~~

Collider	Exclusive cross sections (pb)			
	Wb		$W(b\bar{b})$	
TeV $W^+(=W^-)$	$(5.27+0.75=6.02)$	$8.03+1.27=9.30$	(2.66)	$3.73-0.02=3.71$
LHC W^+	$(30.1+54.3=84.4)$	$40.0+94.7=134.7$	(17.6)	$22.7+11.7=34.4$
LHC W^-	$(21.6+31.4=53.0)$	$29.8+56.9=86.7$	(12.9)	$17.2+6.5=23.7$

Results

W b @ Tevatron & LHC: *—PRELIMINARY—*



Results

SUMMARY and OUTLOOK

W/Z bb @ NLO

- *We observe considerably reduction of scale dependence*
- *Corrections are sizable, and with non-trivial rescaling factor*

Wb & W(bb) @ NLO

- *Presented preliminary results*
- *Corrections are quite considerable*
- *We observe scale dependence improvement*
- *Tevatron – LHC qualitative difference*

Future work

- *Zb*
- *Impact on b-pdf studies*
- *Gamma b bbar, t \leftrightarrow b*
- *Playground for Unitarity techniques with a massive fermion line*