
NNLO corrections to jet rates and event shapes in e^+e^- annihilation

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$e^+e^- \rightarrow 3$ jets and event shapes

Classical QCD observable

- testing ground for QCD: perturbation theory, power corrections and logarithmic resummation
- precision measurement of strong coupling constant α_s
- current error on α_s from jet observables dominated by theoretical uncertainty:
S. Bethke, 2006

$$\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.121 \pm 0.001(\text{experiment}) \pm 0.005(\text{theory})$$

- theoretical uncertainty largely from missing higher orders
- previous status: NLO plus NLL resummation

Theoretical description

- easier than at hadron colliders, since coloured partons only in final state:
no initial state emission, no parton distributions
- new calculational methods first developed for e^+e^- , then extended to hadronic processes

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Event shape variables

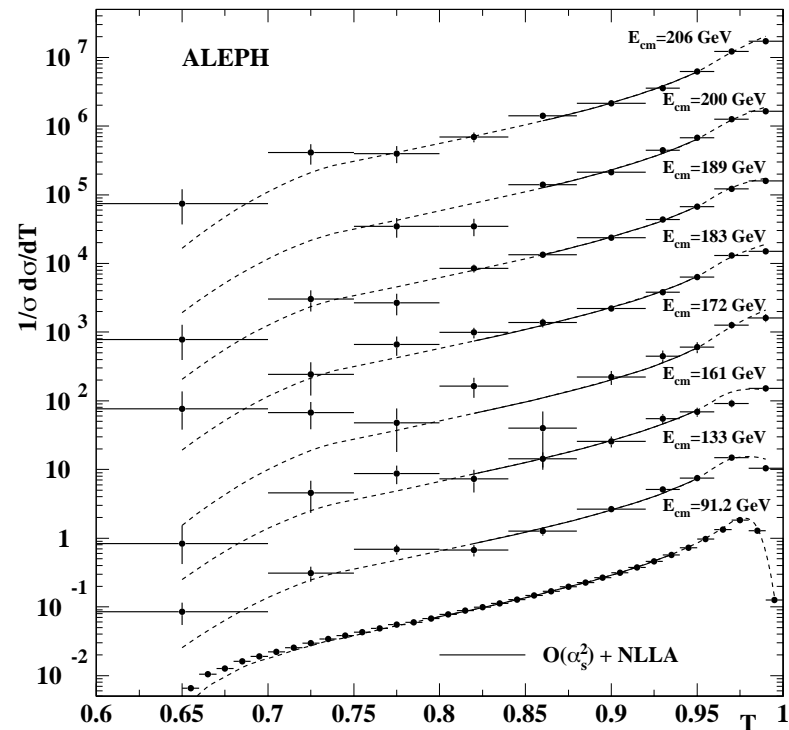
assign a number x to a set of final state momenta: $\{p\}_i \rightarrow x$

e.g. Thrust in e^+e^-

$$T = \max_{\vec{n}} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n |\vec{p}_i \cdot \vec{n}|}{\sum_{i=1}^n |\vec{p}_i|}$$

limiting values:

- back-to-back (two-jet) limit: $T = 1$
- spherical limit: $T = 1/2$



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Standard Set of LEP

- Thrust (E. Farhi)

$$T = \max_{\vec{n}} \left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n |\vec{p}_i \cdot \vec{n}|}{\sum_{i=1}^n |\vec{p}_i|} \right)$$

- Heavy jet mass (L. Clavelli, D. Wyler)

$$M_i^2/s = \frac{1}{E_{\text{vis}}^2} \left(\sum_{k \in H_i} |\vec{p}_k| \right)^2$$

- C -parameter: eigenvalues of the tensor (G. Parisi)

$$\Theta^{\alpha\beta} = \frac{1}{\sum_k |\vec{p}_k|} \frac{\sum_k p_k^\alpha p_k^\beta}{\sum_k |\vec{p}_k|}$$

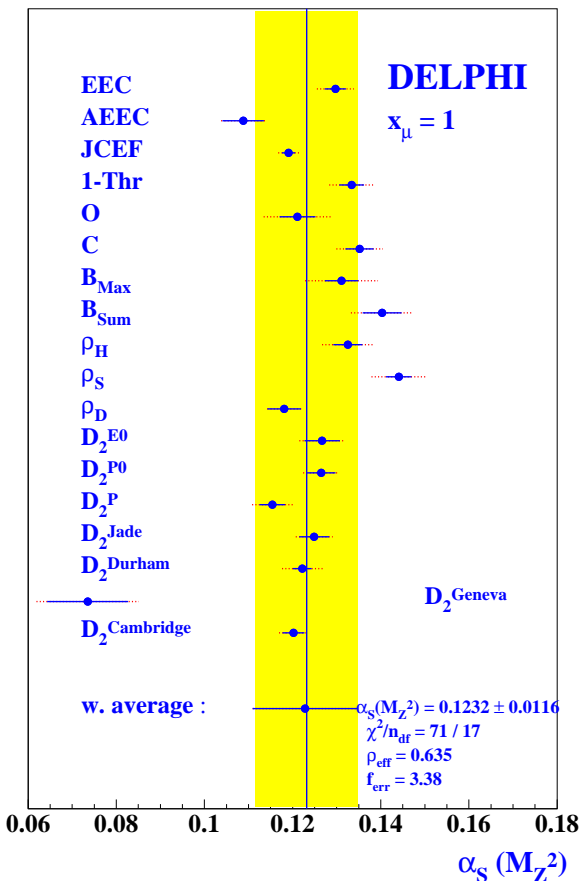
- Jet broadenings (P.E.L. Rakow, B. Webber)

$$B_i = \left(\frac{\sum_{k \in H_i} |\vec{p}_k \times \vec{n}_T|}{2 \sum_k |\vec{p}_k|} \right)$$

$$B_W = \max(B_1, B_2) \quad B_T = B_1 + B_2$$

- $3j \rightarrow 2j$ transition parameter in Durham algorithm y_{23}^D

S.Catani, Y.L.Dokshitzer, M.Olsson, G.Turnock, B.Webber



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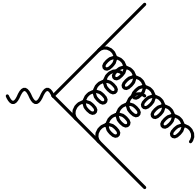
Current status: NLO and NLL

- NLO calculations of event shapes and $3j$
R.K. Ellis, D.A. Ross, A.E. Terrano; Z. Kunszt
J. Vermaseren, K.F. Gaemers, S.J. Oldham; L. Clavelli, D. Wyler
- NLO parton level event generators for $3j$
EVENT: Z. Kunszt, P. Nason
EERAD: W. Giele, E.W.N. Glover
EVENT2: S. Catani, M. Seymour
- NLO parton level event generators for $4j$
MenloParc: L.D. Dixon, A. Signer
EERAD2: J. Campbell, M. Cullen, E.W.N. Glover
Debrecen: Z. Nagy, Z. Trocsanyi
Mercurito: D. Kosower, S. Weinzierl
- NLL resummation
S. Catani, L. Trentadue, G. Turnock, B. Webber; Y.L. Dokshitzer, A. Lucenti,
G. Marchesini, G.P. Salam; A. Banfi, G. Zanderighi
- Power corrections
G. Korchemsky, G. Sterman; Y. Dokshitzer, B.R. Webber

Ingredients to NNLO $e^+e^- \rightarrow 3\text{-jet}$

Two-loop matrix elements

$|\mathcal{M}|_{2\text{-loop},3\text{ partons}}^2$

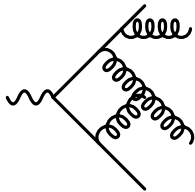


explicit infrared poles from loop integrals

L. Garland, N. Glover, A. Koukoutsakis, E. Remiddi, TG;
S. Moch, P. Uwer, S. Weinzierl

One-loop matrix elements

$|\mathcal{M}|_{1\text{-loop},4\text{ partons}}^2$

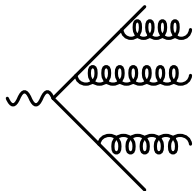


explicit infrared poles from loop integral and
implicit infrared poles due to single unresolved radiation

Z. Bern, L. Dixon, D. Kosower, S. Weinzierl;
J. Campbell, D.J. Miller, E.W.N. Glover

Tree level matrix elements

$|\mathcal{M}|_{\text{tree},5\text{ partons}}^2$



implicit infrared poles due to double unresolved radiation

K. Hagiwara, D. Zeppenfeld;
F.A. Berends, W.T. Giele, H. Kuijf;
N. Falck, D. Graudenz, G. Kramer

Infrared Poles cancel in the sum

NNLO Infrared Subtraction

Structure of NNLO m -jet cross section:

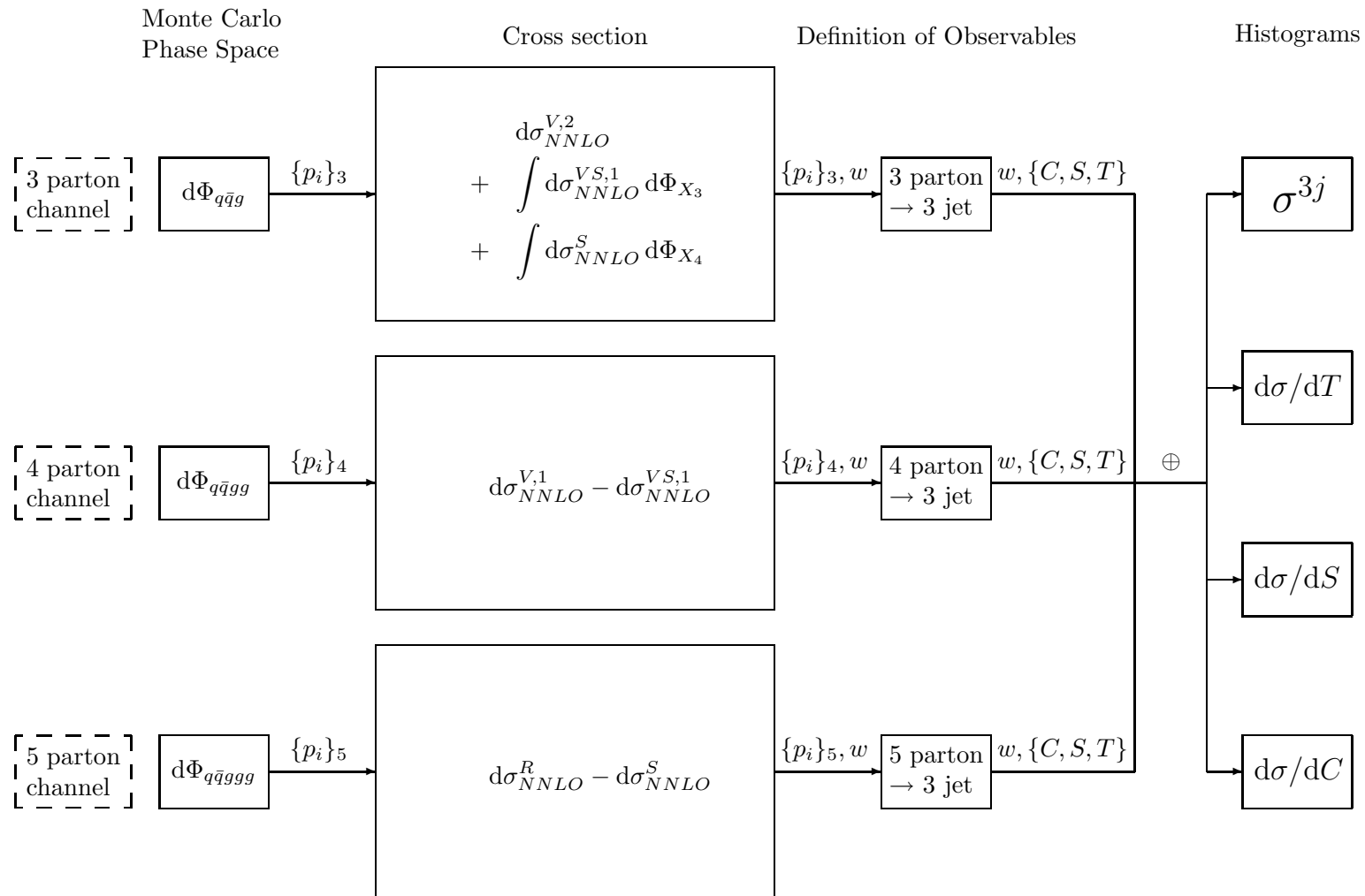
$$\begin{aligned} d\sigma_{NNLO} = & \int_{d\Phi_{m+2}} \left(d\sigma_{NNLO}^R - d\sigma_{NNLO}^S \right) \\ & + \int_{d\Phi_{m+1}} \left(d\sigma_{NNLO}^{V,1} - d\sigma_{NNLO}^{VS,1} \right) \\ & + \int_{d\Phi_m} d\sigma_{NNLO}^{V,2} + \int_{d\Phi_{m+2}} d\sigma_{NNLO}^S + \int_{d\Phi_{m+1}} d\sigma_{NNLO}^{VS,1} , \end{aligned}$$

- $d\sigma_{NNLO}^S$: real radiation subtraction term for $d\sigma_{NNLO}^R$
- $d\sigma_{NNLO}^{VS,1}$: one-loop virtual subtraction term for $d\sigma_{NNLO}^{V,1}$
- $d\sigma_{NNLO}^{V,2}$: two-loop virtual corrections

Each line above is finite numerically and free of infrared ϵ -poles \longrightarrow numerical programme

Numerical Implementation

Structure of $e^+e^- \rightarrow 3$ jets program:



Numerical Implementation

Antenna subtraction

NLO: M. Cullen, J. Campbell, E.W.N. Glover; D. Kosower; A. Daleo, D. Maitre, TG

NNLO: A. Gehrmann-De Ridder, E.W.N. Glover, TG

- construct subtraction terms from physical $1 \rightarrow 3$ and $1 \rightarrow 4$ matrix elements
- each antenna function interpolates between all limits associated to one or two unresolved partons
- integrated subtraction terms cancel infrared pole structure of two-loop matrix element

S. Catani; G. Sterman, M.E. Yeomans-Tejeda

Checks

- cancellation of infrared poles in 3-parton and 4-parton channel
- convergence of subtraction terms towards matrix elements along phase space trajectories
- distributions in raw phase space variables
- independence on phase space cut y_0

Three-jet cross section at NNLO

NNLO corrections: jet rates

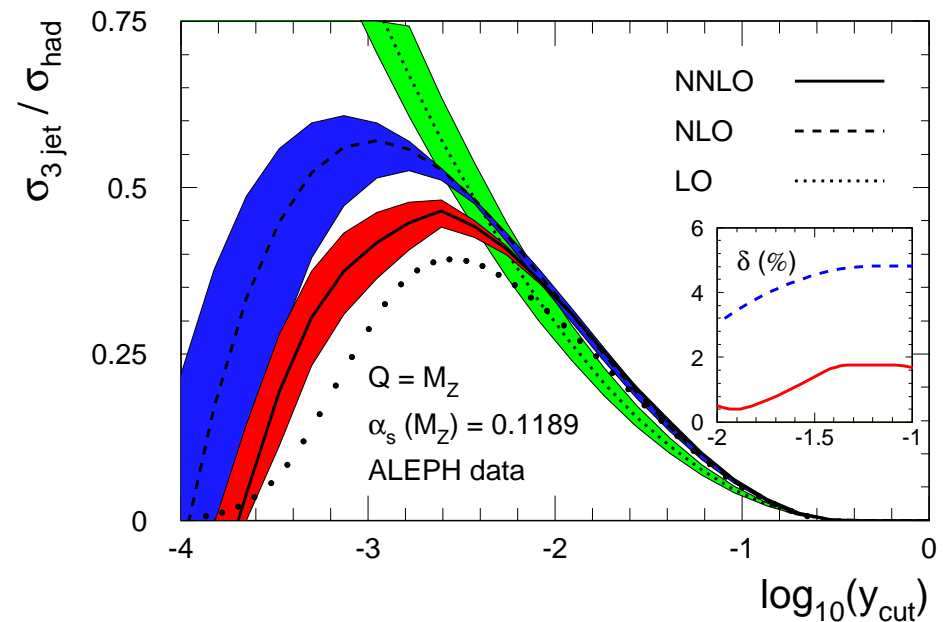
Three-jet fraction in Durham jet algorithm

$$y_{i,j,D} = \frac{2 \min(E_i^2, E_j^2) (1 - \cos \theta_{ij})}{E_{vis}^2}$$

- vary $\mu = [M_Z/2; 2 M_Z]$
- determine minimal and maximal values

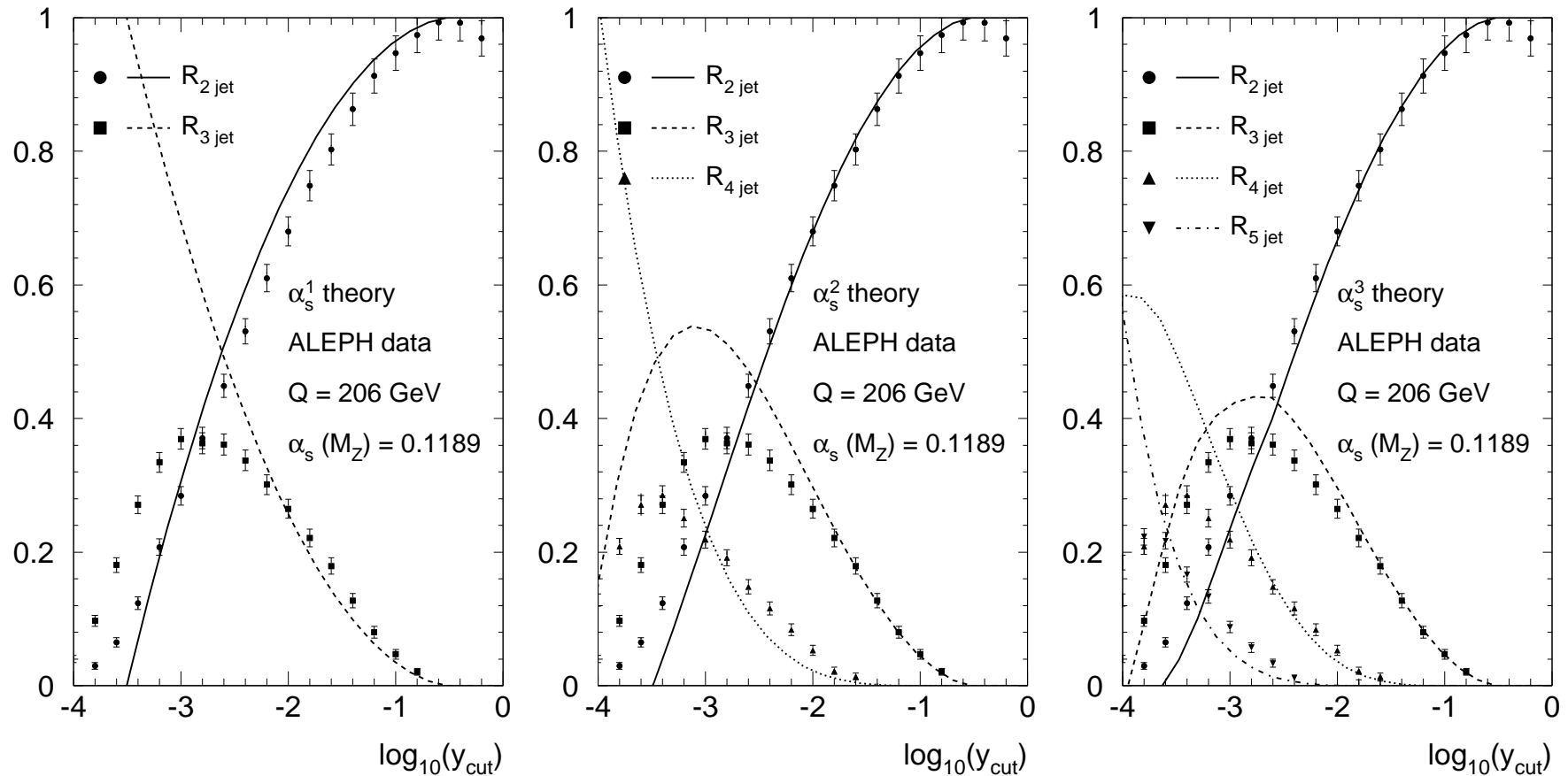
$$\delta = \frac{\max(\sigma) - \min(\sigma)}{2\sigma(\mu = M_Z)}$$

- NNLO corrections small
- substantial reduction of scale dependence
- better description towards lower jet resolution



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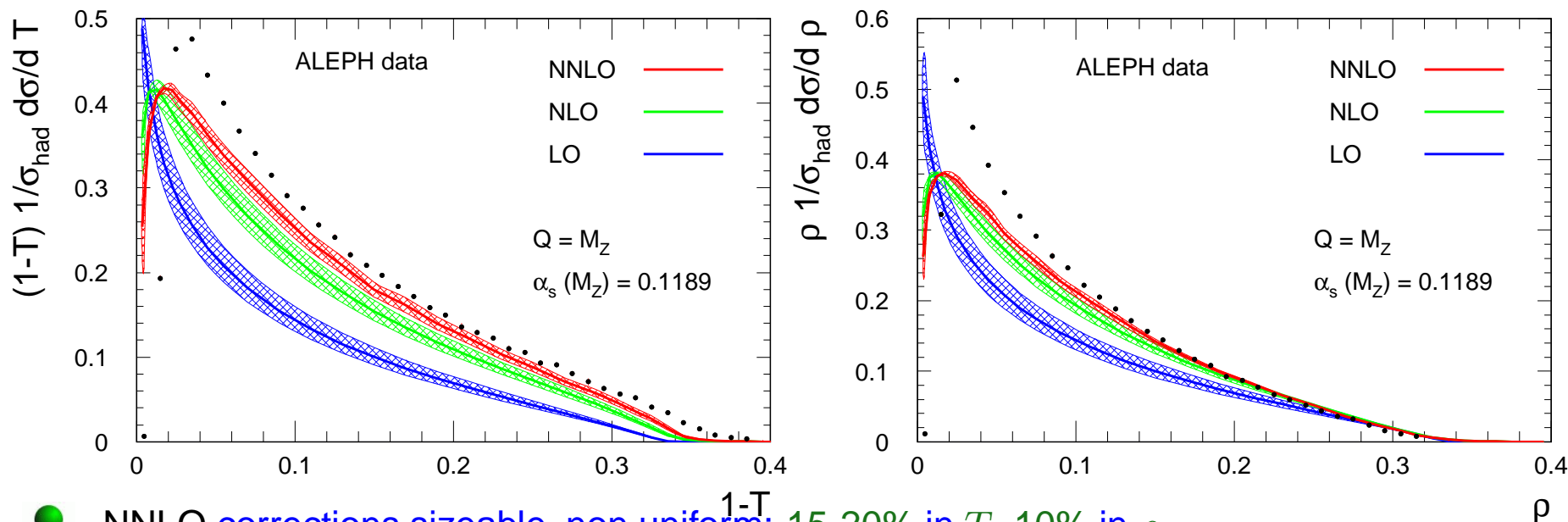


● substantial improvement towards lower y_{cut}

● two-jet rate now NNNLO

Event shapes at NNLO

NNLO thrust and heavy mass distributions

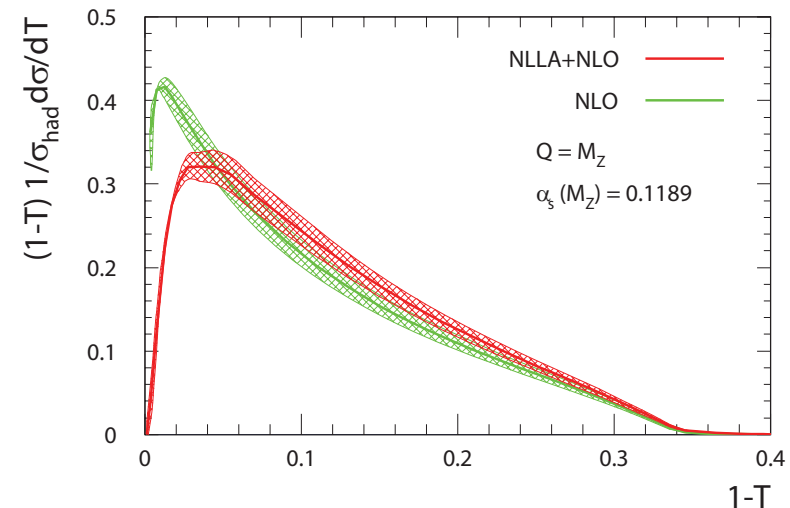
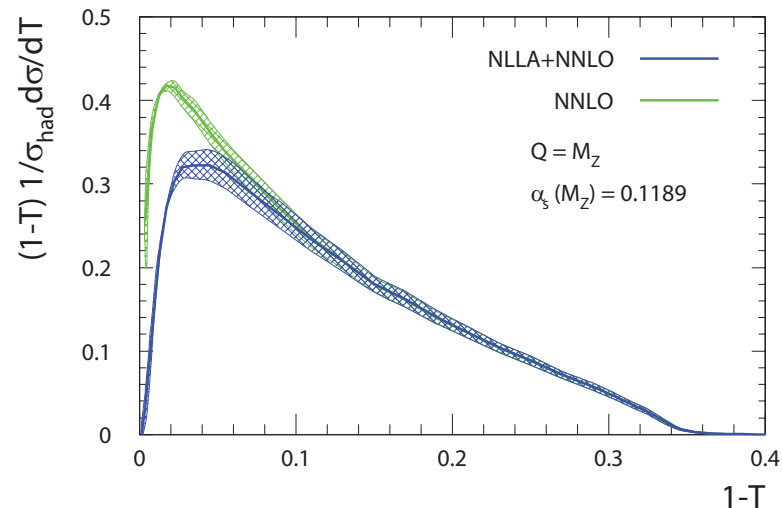


- NNLO corrections sizeable, non uniform: 15-20% in T , 10% in ρ
 - theory uncertainty reduced by about 40 %
 - large $1 - T, \rho > 0.33$: kinematically forbidden at LO
 - small $1 - T, \rho$: two-jet region, need matching onto NLL resummation
- G. Luisoni, H. Stenzel, TG
- need to include hadronization corrections

Event shapes at NLLA+NNLO

Matching onto resummation

G. Luisoni, H. Stenzel, TG

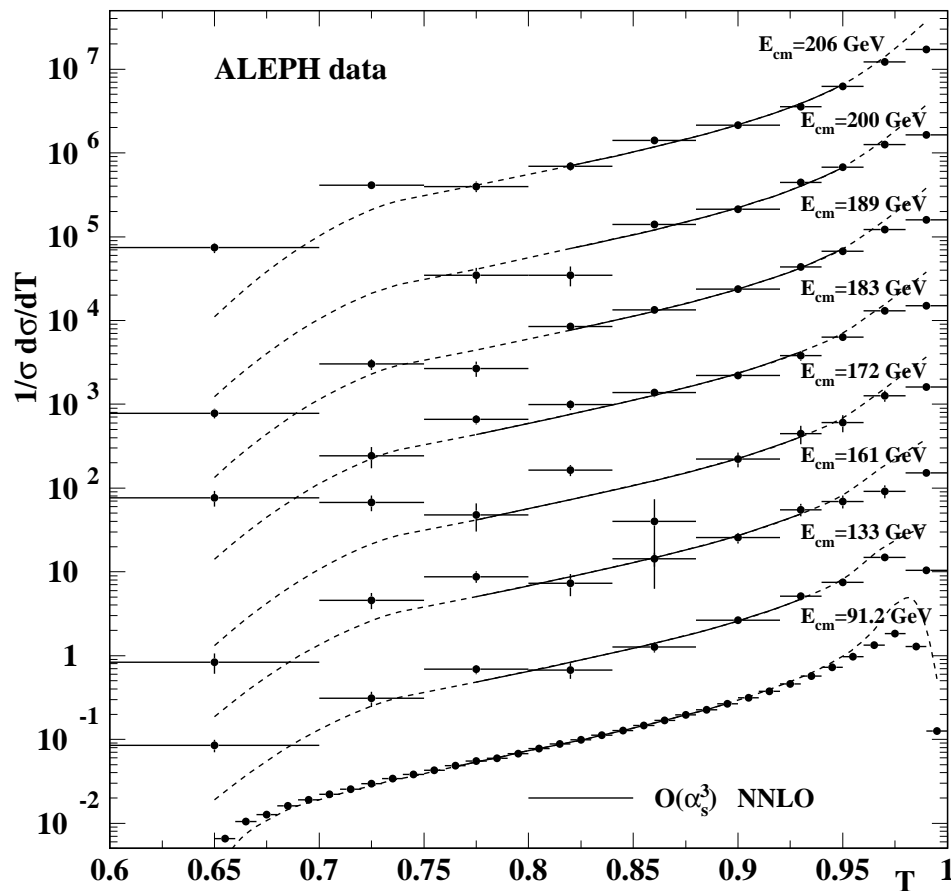


- resummation to NLLA (S. Catani, L. Trentadue, G. Turnock, B. Webber; Y.L. Dokshitzer, A. Lucenti, G. Marchesini, G.P. Salam; A. Banfi, G. Zanderighi)
- NLO and NLLA+NLO differ in normalisation throughout the full kinematical range
- difference between NNLO and NLLA+NNLO restricted to the two-jet region
- improved scale-dependence in three-jet region
- scale-dependence of NLLA dominant \longrightarrow need higher orders in resummation

T. Becher, M. Schwartz: [thrust beyond NLLA](#)

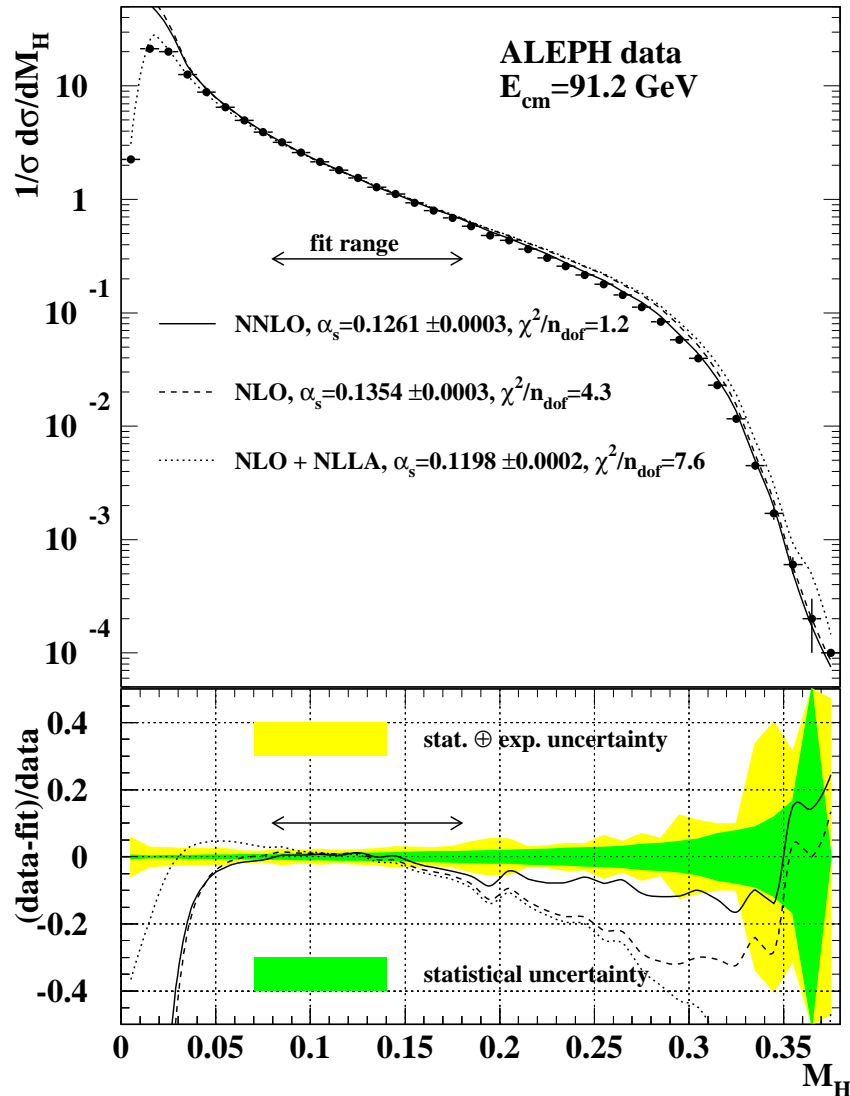
Comparison with data

High precision data from all LEP experiments, compare here to ALEPH



- include quark mass effects to NLO
P. Nason, C. Oleari
W. Bernreuther, A. Brandenburg, P. Uwer
G. Rodrigo, A. Santamaria
- include hadronization corrections
HERWIG: B. Webber et al.
ARIADNE: T. Sjostrand et al.
- try new fit of α_s , based on ALEPH analysis
G. Dissertori, A. Gehrmann-De Ridder,
G. Heinrich, H. Stenzel, TG

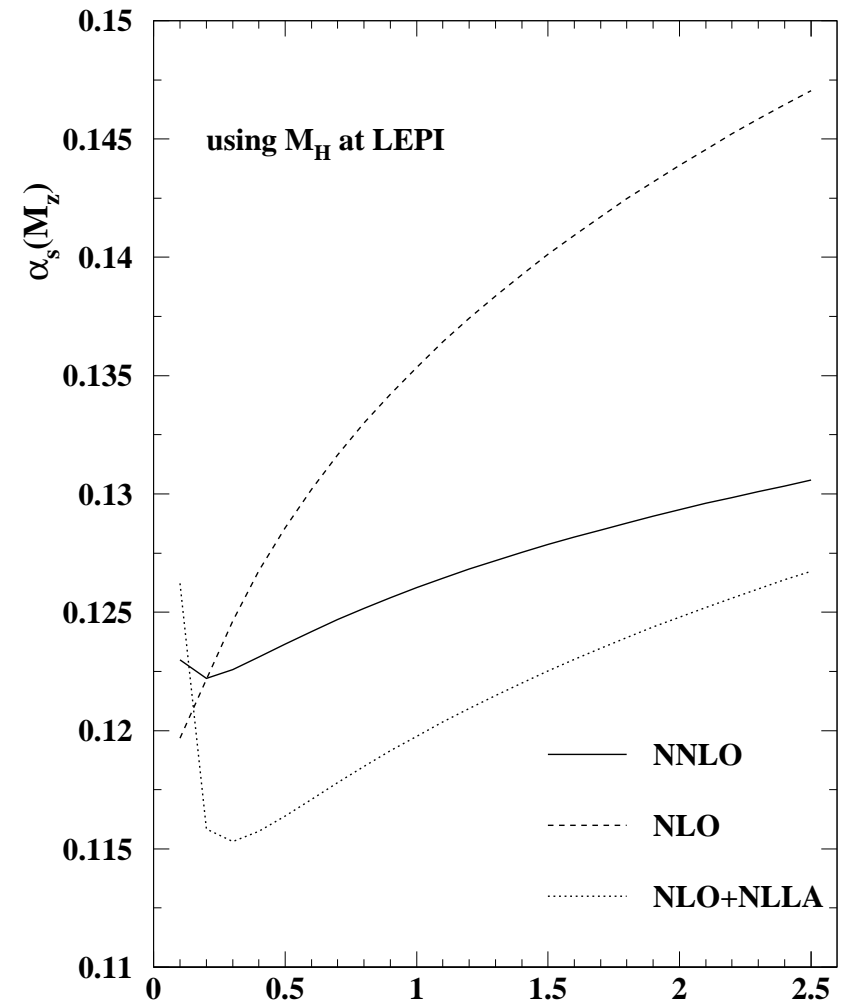
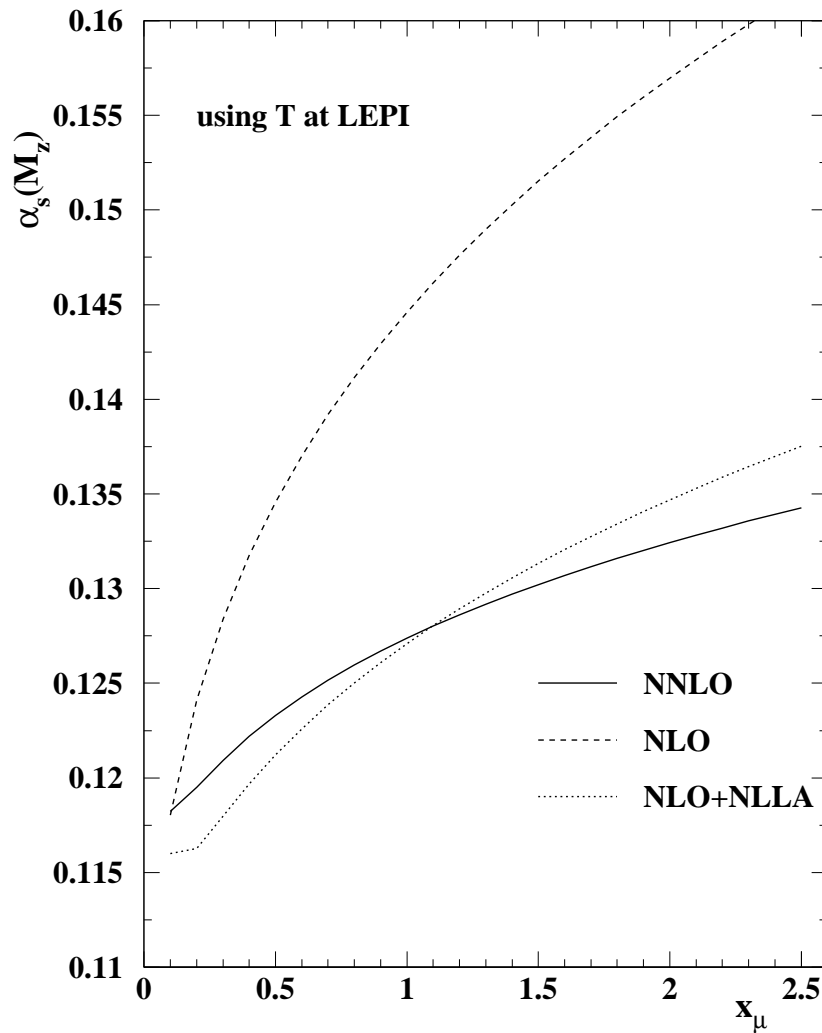
Extraction of α_s



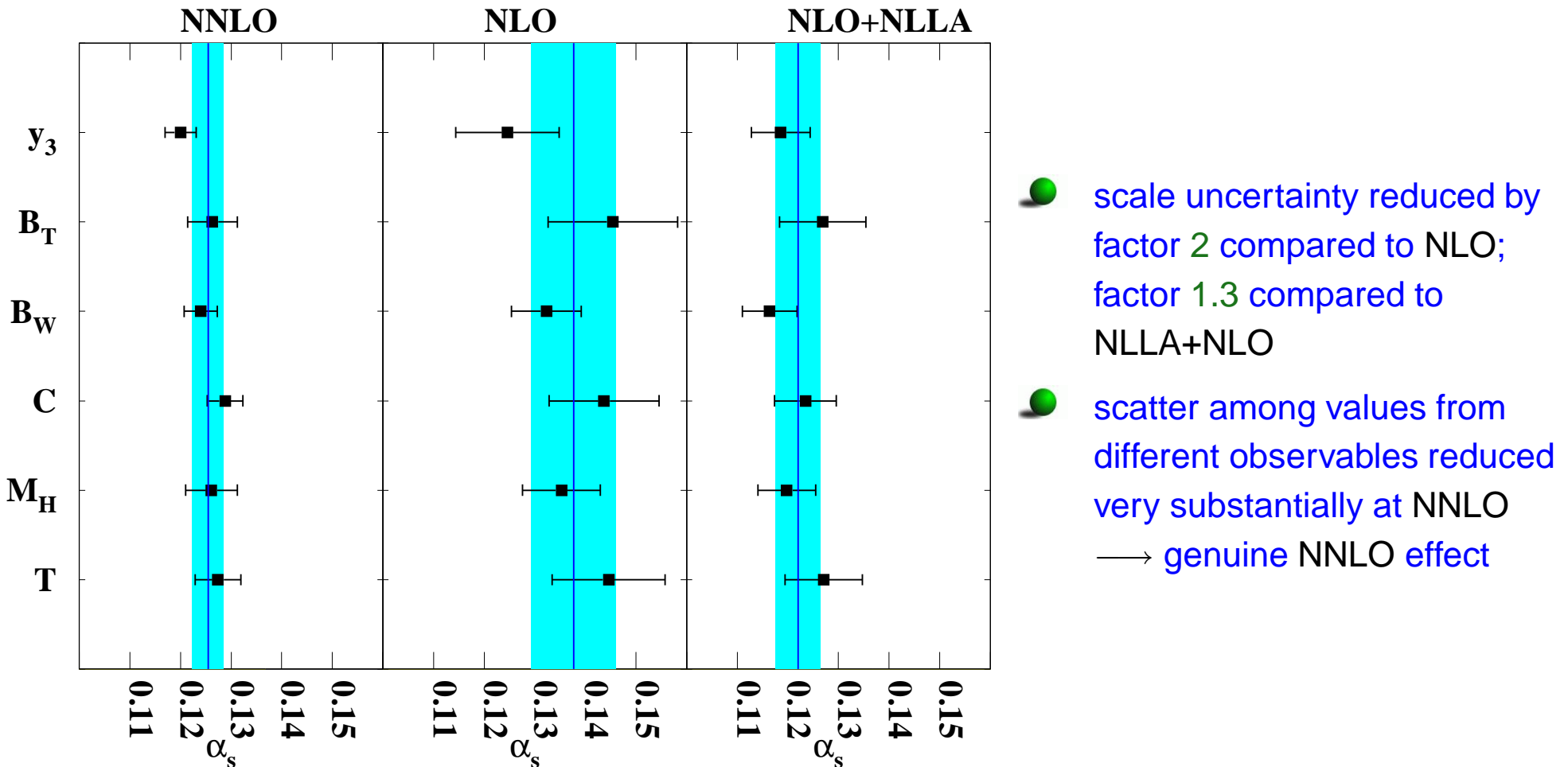
- clear improvement of NNLO over NLO
- good fit quality
- extended range of good description in 3-jet region
- matched NLO+NNLA still yields a better prediction in 2-jet region
- value of α_s lower than at NLO, but still rather high

Extraction of α_s

Uncertainty from renormalisation scale



Extraction of α_s



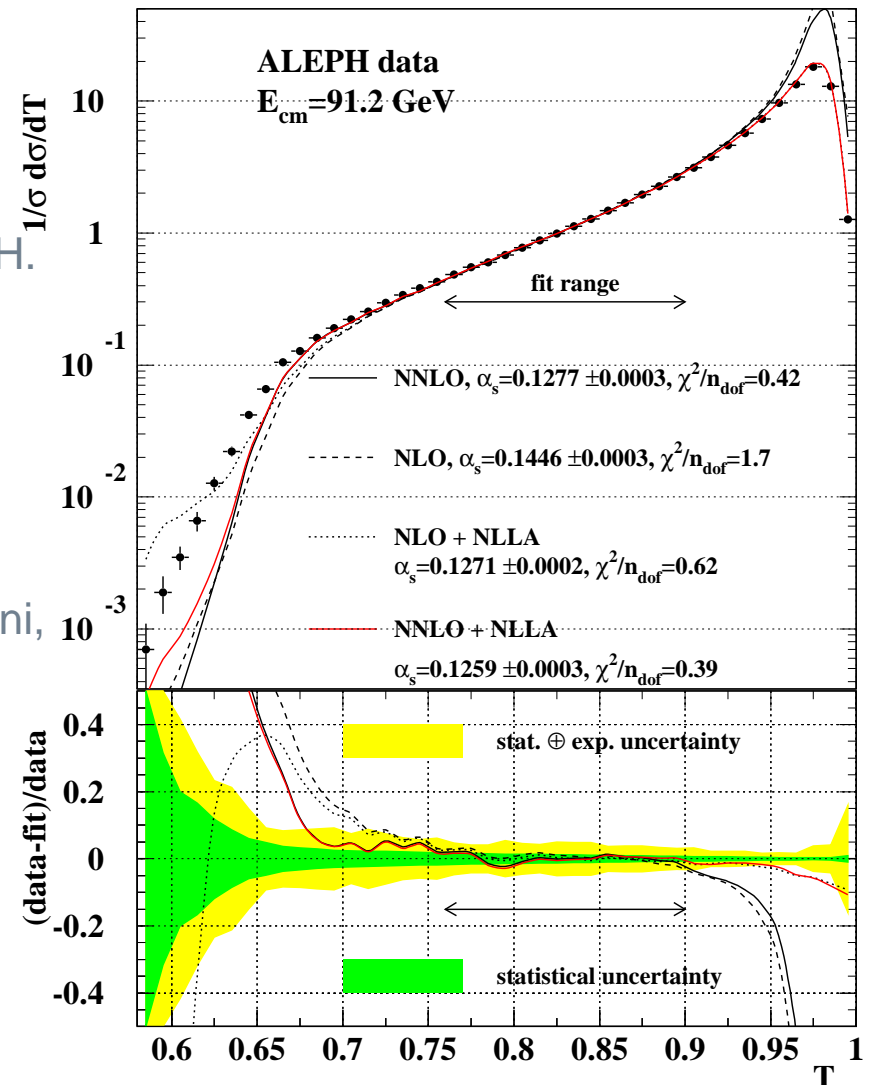
Result for all ALEPH event shapes of LEP1/LEP2

$$\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1240 \pm 0.0008(stat) \pm 0.0010(exp) \pm 0.0011(had) \pm 0.0029(theo)$$

Outlook

Next steps:

- α_s from NLLA+NNLO
G. Dissertori, A. Gehrmann-De Ridder,
E.W.N. Glover, G. Heinrich, G. Luisoni, H.
Stenzel, TG
- study jet rates in different algorithms
- study moments of event shapes
- revisit analytic power corrections
Y.L. Dokshitzer, A. Lucenti, G. Marchesini,
G.P. Salam
- include electroweak corrections
C. Carloni-Calame, S. Moretti,
F. Piccinini, D. Ross
- resummation and matching at NNLLA



Summary and Outlook

- completed calculation of NNLO corrections to event shapes and $e^+e^- \rightarrow 3j$
- improved theory uncertainty
 - by 30% (T, C) to 60% R_{3j}
- new extraction of α_s :
 - improved consistency between different shape variables
 - lower theory uncertainty
- more phenomenology to come
- Precision calculations for jet observables at LHC in progress