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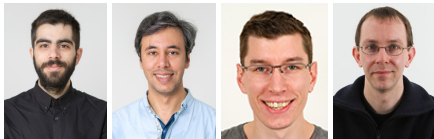
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$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{[Top quark loop diagram]} + \text{[Contact interaction diagram]} = \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{12\pi v} C_t + \frac{v}{\Lambda^2} C_{HG} \right) H G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{a,\mu\nu}
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SMEFT Coeff.	Individual			Marginalised		
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C_{Hq}	0.00	[-0.017, +0.012]	8.3	-0.05	[-0.11, +0.012]	4.1
$C_{Hq}^{(1)}$	0.02	[-0.1, +0.14]	2.9	-0.04	[-0.27, +0.18]	2.1
C_{Hd}	-0.03	[-0.13, +0.071]	3.1	-0.39	[-0.91, +0.13]	1.4
C_{Hu}	0.00	[-0.075, +0.073]	3.7	-0.19	[-0.63, +0.25]	1.5
$C_{H\Box}$	-0.27	[-1, +0.47]	1.2	-0.9	[-3, +1.2]	0.69
C_{HG}	0.00	[-0.0034, +0.0032]	17.0	0.00	[-0.014, +0.0086]	9.4
C_{HW}	0.00	[-0.012, +0.006]	11.0	0.12	[-0.38, +0.62]	1.4
C_{HB}	0.00	[-0.0034, +0.002]	19.0	0.07	[-0.09, +0.22]	2.5

[Ellis, Madigan, Mimasu, Sanz, You, 2012.02779; Tab. 6]

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- Uncertainty $\Delta\sigma$ on SM prediction translates into discovery reach:

$$\frac{\Delta\sigma}{\sigma} \sim \frac{v^2}{\Lambda_{\text{BSM}}^2} \Leftrightarrow \Lambda_{\text{BSM}} \sim v \sqrt{\frac{\sigma}{\Delta\sigma}}$$

Challenges for theory

- QCD corrections to $gg \rightarrow H$ are large: $\sigma/\sigma_{\text{LO}} \approx 3$
 - ▶ Calculation of inclusive cross section has been pushed to N^3LO
[Anastasiou, Duhr, Dulat, Furlan, Gehrmann, Herzog, Lazopoulos, Mistlberger '15-'18]
- But LHC experiments apply kinematic selection cuts on Higgs decay products
 - ▶ Need complete interplay of QCD corrections and $\mathcal{O}(1)$ fiducial acceptance

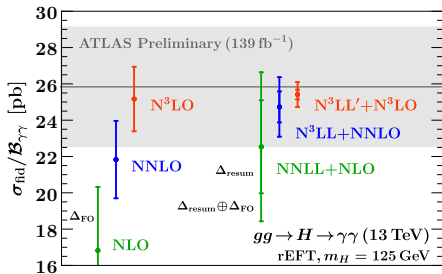
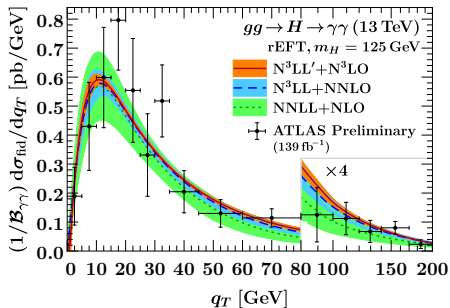
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- Previous state of the art was N³LL(+NNLO₁) and NNLO, respectively
[Chen et al. '18; Bizoń et al. '18; Gutierrez-Reyes et al. '19; Becher, Neumann '20]

Kicked off recent push for fiducial color singlet at complete three-loop accuracy:

- Complementary N³LO results for fiducial $Y_{\gamma\gamma}, \eta_{\gamma 1}, \Delta\eta_{\gamma\gamma}$ (with different method)
[Chen, Gehrmann, Glover, Huss, Mistlberger, 2102.07607]
- Fiducial N³LL' results for Drell-Yan (and Higgs) q_T spectrum
[Camarda, Cieri, Ferrera, 2103.04974; Re, Rottoli, Torrielli, 2104.07509]

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$\Gamma_H \ll m_H \Rightarrow$ production and decay (acceptance) factorize point by point in q_T, Y :

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dq_T} = \int dY A(q_T, Y; \Theta) W(q_T, Y), \quad A_{\text{incl}} = 1, \quad W(q_T, Y) = \frac{d\sigma_{\text{incl}}}{dq_T dY}$$

Takeaway

$$\sigma_{\text{incl}} = \int dq_T W(q_T) \quad \text{resummation effects formally cancel under } q_T \text{ integral}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{fid}} = \int dq_T A(q_T) W(q_T) \quad \text{derived quantity sensitive to resummation effects}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d\sigma}{dq_T} &= \frac{d\sigma^{(0)}}{dq_T} + \frac{d\sigma^{(1)}}{dq_T} + \frac{d\sigma^{(2)}}{dq_T} + \dots \\ &\sim \frac{1}{q_T} \left[\mathcal{O}(1) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{q_T}{m_H}\right) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{q_T^2}{m_H^2}\right) + \dots \right]\end{aligned}$$

- (0) Implementing the N^3LL' cross section
- (1) Treating fiducial power corrections right
- (2) Extracting the nonsingular cross section

Implementing the N^3LL' cross section

Leading-power hadronic dynamics factorize as:

$$W^{(0)}(q_T, Y) = H(m_H^2, \mu) \int d^2\vec{k}_a d^2\vec{k}_b d^2\vec{k}_s \delta(q_T - |\vec{k}_a + \vec{k}_b + \vec{k}_s|) \\ \times B_g^{\mu\nu}(x_a, \vec{k}_a, \mu, \nu) B_{g\mu\nu}(x_b, \vec{k}_b, \mu, \nu) S(\vec{k}_s, \mu, \nu)$$

To reach N^3LL' for $W^{(0)}$, implemented in SCETlib:

- Three-loop **soft** and **hard** function ... includes in particular the three-loop virtual form factor [Li, Zhu, '16] [Baikov et al. '09; Lee et al. '10; Gehrmann et al. '10]
- Three-loop **unpolarized** and two-loop **polarized beam** functions [Ebert, Mistlberger, Vita '20; Luo, Yang, Zhu, Zhu '20] [Luo, Yang, Zhu, Zhu '19; Gutierrez-Reyes, Leal-Gomez, Scimemi, Vladimirov '19]
- Four-loop cusp, three-loop noncusp anomalous dimensions [Brüser, Grozin, Henn, Stahlhofen '19; Henn, Korchemsky, Mistlberger '20; v. Manteuffel, Panzer, Schabinger '20] [Li, Zhu, '16; Moch, Vermaseren, Vogt '05; Idilbi, Ma, Yuan '06; Vladimirov '16]
- N^3LL solutions to virtuality/rapidity RGEs in b_T space
- Hybrid profile scales for fixed-order matching [Lustermans, JM, Tackmann, Waalewijn '19]

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- Use $\mu_{FO} = \mu_R = \mu_F = m_H$ for central predictions
- Higgs cross section also contains large timelike logarithms $\ln \frac{-m_H^2 - i0}{\mu^2}$
[Ahrens, Becher, Neubert, Yang '08]
- ▶ Resummed by hard evolution from $\mu_H = -im_H$:

$$W(q_T, Y) = H(m_H^2, \mu_H) U_H(Q, \mu_H, \mu_{FO}) \left[\frac{W(q_T, Y)}{H(m_H^2, \mu_{FO})} \right]_{FO}$$

[Ebert, JM, Tackmann '17]

Efficient evaluation of beam function finite terms in SCETlib

- Beam function kernels are large expressions of HPLs and rational prefactors:

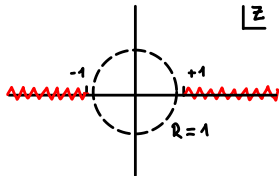
$$I_{ij}^{(n)}(z) = \sum_{\alpha} \frac{P_{\alpha}(z)}{Q_{\alpha}(z)} H_{w_{\alpha}}(z), \quad w_{\alpha} = \left(\begin{smallmatrix} \pm 1 \\ 0 \end{smallmatrix}, \dots, \begin{smallmatrix} \pm 1 \\ 0 \end{smallmatrix} \right) \text{ up to weight 5}$$

- Many tools for numerically evaluating *individual* HPLs on the market ...
[e.g. Gehrmann, Remiddi '01; Buehler, Duhr '11; Ablinger, Blümlein, Round, Schneider '18]
- ! But big sum is slow and has uncontrolled floating-point cancellations, in particular in limits $z \rightarrow 0, 1$ relevant for convolution $I_{ij}^{(n)} \otimes f_j$ against PDFs

Key idea

Implement the kernels *directly* as smart series expansions, using algebraic methods inspired by those developed for individual HPLs

1. Separate branch cuts by subtractions
 - Much more complex due to rational terms
 - ▶ Treat $Q_{\alpha}(z)$ as additional primitives
2. Remap variables, push out remaining branch cut
 - Improves convergence radii of series
- ▶ Get $I_{ij}^{(3)}, P_{ij}^{(2)}, \dots$ at **machine precision** in $\mathcal{O}(50k)$ cycles for any z , ≥ 100 times faster than naive implementation (and much more precise)



Treating fiducial power corrections right

... are all the power corrections from the q_T -dependent acceptance:

$$\frac{d\sigma^{\text{fpc}}}{dq_T} \equiv \int dY \left[A(q_T, Y; \Theta) - A^{(0)}(Y; \Theta) \right] W^{(0)}(q_T, Y)$$

- Contain all linear power corrections $d\sigma^{(1)}$ because

$$W(q_T, Y) = W^{(0)}(q_T, Y) \left[1 + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{q_T^2}{m_H^2}\right) \right]$$

$$A(q_T, Y; \Theta) = A^{(0)}(Y; \Theta) \left[1 + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{q_T}{m_H}\right) \right]$$

- Also capture enhanced corrections $\sim q_T/p_L$ when approaching edges $p_L \rightarrow 0$ of Born phase space ...example coming up
- Resummed to the same accuracy as leading-power terms by resumming $W^{(0)}$ and keeping exact $A(q_T, Y; \Theta)$

[Presence of linear terms pointed out in Ebert, Tackmann '20]

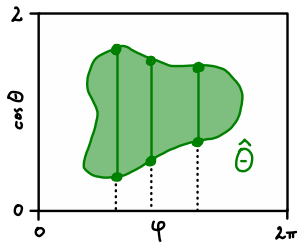
[Factorization demonstrated in Ebert, JM, Stewart, Tackmann '20; see talk by M. Ebert at SCET 2020]

Implementation of fiducial power corrections in SCETlib

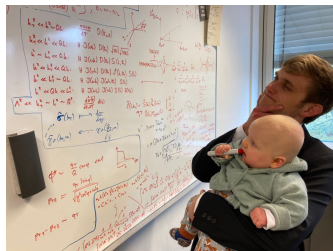
... relies on fast & stable (for $q_T \rightarrow 0$) algorithm for evaluating the acceptance:

$$A(q_T, Y; \Theta) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int d\cos\theta d\varphi \hat{\Theta}(q^\mu, \cos\theta, \varphi)$$

- $\hat{\Theta}(q_T = 0, Y, \cos\theta, \varphi)$ is trivial
- For $q_T \neq 0$, analytically solve generic $\hat{\Theta}$ for bounds in θ at given q_T, Y, φ



- Do remaining 1D integral over φ adaptively



Ruth doing $1 \rightarrow 2$ decay PS at rest.

- ▶ Takes $\mathcal{O}(1 \text{ ms})$ on 2.50 GHz CPU for 10^{-7} target precision

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Compare fixed-order series:

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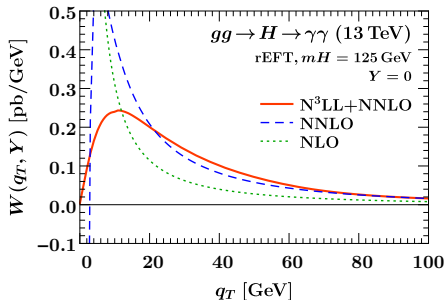
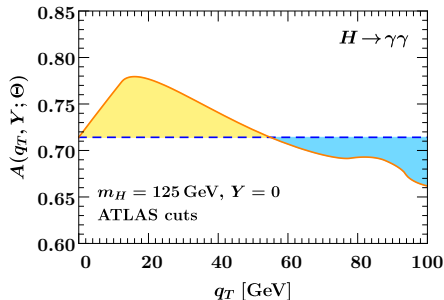
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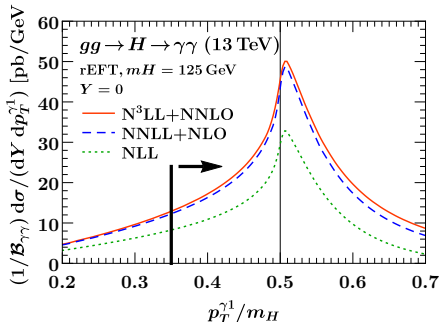
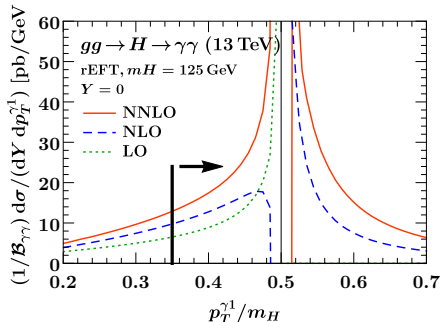
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2. We're cutting on the resummation-sensitive photon p_T .



- Leaves behind logarithms of $\frac{p_L}{m_H} = \frac{p_T^{\text{cut}} - m_H/2}{m_H} = 0.15$

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Compare fixed-order series, isolating effect of $\int dq_T \frac{d\sigma^{\text{fpc}}}{dq_T}$:

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After resummation of $\sigma^{(0)} + \sigma^{\text{fpc}}$, at successive matched orders:

$$\sigma_{\text{incl}}^{\text{res}} = 24.16 [1 + 0.756 + 0.207 + 0.024] \text{ pb}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{fid}}^{\text{res}} = 12.89 [1 + 0.749 + 0.171 + 0.053] \text{ pb}$$

NOTE Checked explicitly that for our profile scale setup, $\sigma_{\text{incl}}^{\text{res}}$ and $\sigma_{\text{incl}}^{\text{FO}}$ agree within Δ_{resum}

- ▶ Differ in the fiducial case \Rightarrow resummation effect is resolved

Extracting the nonsingular cross section

So we dealt with this ...

$$\frac{d\sigma^{\text{sing}}}{dq_T} = \int dY A(q_T, Y; \Theta) W^{(0)}(q_T, Y) = \frac{d\sigma^{(0)}}{dq_T} + \frac{d\sigma^{\text{fpc}}}{dq_T}$$

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Challenges:

- Obtaining stable $H + 1j$ results for $q_T \rightarrow 0$ is *hard* ... in particular at NNLO₁
- Dropping the nonsingular below $q_T \leq q_T^{\text{cut}}$ is not viable, either ... as we'll see shortly
 - In the context of q_T subtractions: crucial to use differential subtraction, not slicing

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Key idea

Fit nonsingular data to known form at subleading power and integrate *analytically*:

$$q_T \frac{d\sigma_{\text{FO}}^{\text{nons}}}{dq_T} \Big|_{\alpha_s^n} = \frac{q_T^2}{m_H^2} \sum_{k=0}^{2n-1} \left(a_k + b_k \frac{q_T}{m_H} + c_k \frac{q_T^2}{m_H^2} + \dots \right) \ln^k \frac{q_T^2}{m_H^2}$$

- Include higher-power b_k, c_k to get unbiased a_k
- ▶ Allows us to use more precise data at higher q_T as lever arm in the fit

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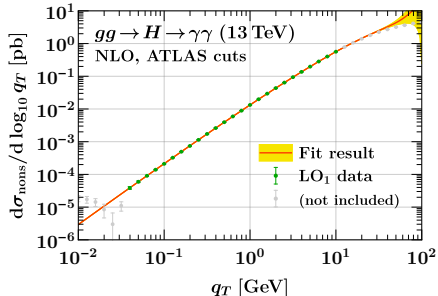
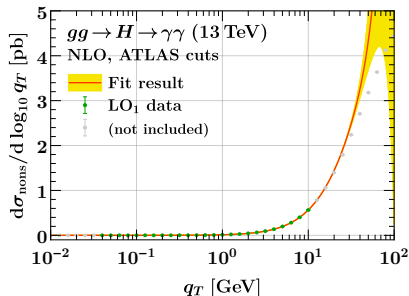
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Fixed-order inputs:

- NLO contribution to $W(q_T, Y)$ at $q_T > 0$ is easy
- At NNLO, renormalize & implement bare analytic results for $W(q_T, Y)$
[Dulat, Lionetti, Mistlberger, Pelloni, Specchia '17]
- At N³LO, use existing binned NNLO₁ results from NNLOjet
[Chen, Cruz-Martinez, Gehrmann, Glover, Jaquier '15-16; as used in Chen et al. '18; Bizoń et al. '18]
- Use N³LO total inclusive cross section as additional fit constraint on underflow
[Mistlberger '18]

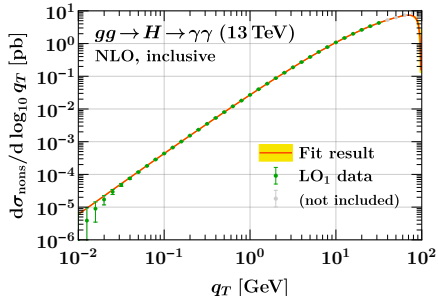
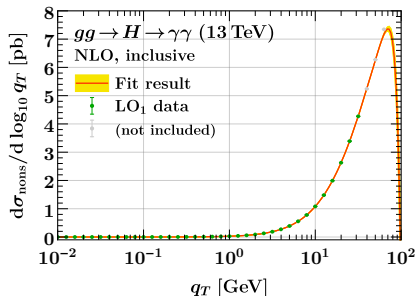
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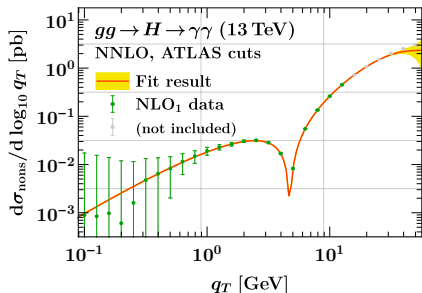
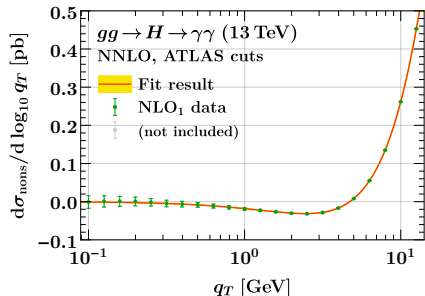
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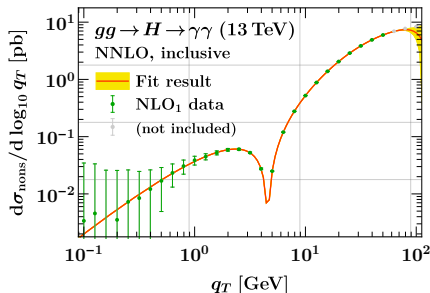
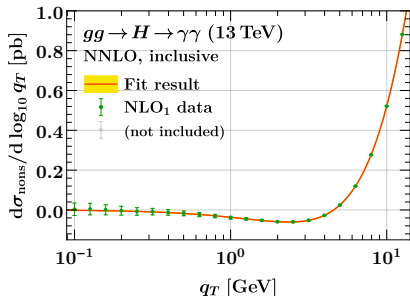
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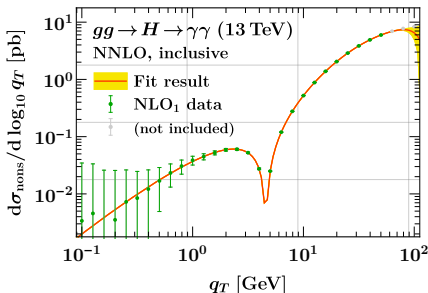
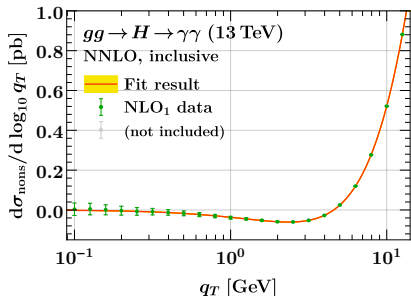
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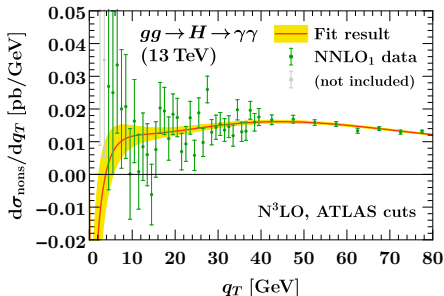
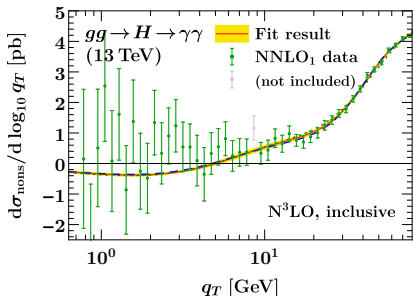


- Check the purely hadronic a_k^{fid} by directly fitting them to

$$q_T \int dY A^{(0)}(Y; \Theta) [W - W^{(0)}] = \frac{q_T^2}{m_H^2} \sum_{k=0}^{2n-1} \left(a_k^{\text{fid}} + c'_k \frac{q_T^2}{m_H^2} + \dots \right) \ln^k \frac{q_T^2}{m_H^2} \quad \checkmark$$

- Recover analytic (N)NLO coefficient of σ_{incl} at 10^{-5} (10^{-4}) \checkmark
- Analytic implementation gives us awesome precision on *all* NLP coefficients (all logs at NLO *and* NNLO, also differential in Y , broken down by color structure, ...)
- ▶ Can serve as benchmark for q_T factorization & resummation of $W^{(2)}$

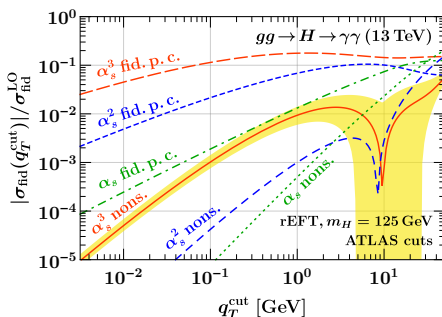
Fit results at N³LO



Setup:

- Perform a combined fit to all inclusive and fiducial data
[NNLO₁: Chen, Cruz-Martinez, Gehrmann, Glover, Jaquier '15-16; as used in Chen et al. '18; Bizoń et al. '18]
[Incl. N³LO: Mistlberger '18]
- Empirically find $0.4 \leq a_k^{\text{fid}} / a_k^{\text{incl}} \leq 0.55$ at (N)NLO \Rightarrow use as weak 1 σ constraint
 - Makes sense, $a_k^{\text{fid, incl}}$ are same underlying $W^{(2)}$ in slightly different Y range
 - Note that we are *not* just rescaling any part of the cross section by an acceptance
- Add $\sigma_{\text{incl}}(q_T \leq q_T^{\text{cut}}) = \sigma_{\text{incl}}^{\text{N}^3\text{LO}} - \sigma_{\text{incl}}(q_T > q_T^{\text{cut}})$ as additional incl. data point

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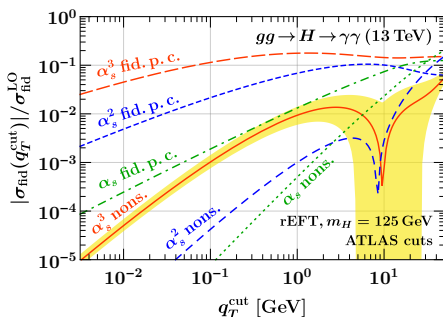


Most general form of q_T subtractions:

$$\sigma = \sigma^{\text{sing}}(q_T^{\text{off}}) + \sigma^{\text{nons}}(q_T^{\text{cut}}) + \int_{q_T^{\text{cut}}}^{q_T^{\text{off}}} dq_T \left[\frac{d\sigma}{dq_T} - \frac{d\sigma^{\text{sing}}}{dq_T} \right] + \int_{q_T^{\text{off}}} dq_T \frac{d\sigma}{dq_T}$$

- We literally take $q_T^{\text{cut}} = 0$, second term *identically* vanishes
- Slicing calculation would use finite $q_T^{\text{cut}} \sim 2$ GeV and take $\sigma^{\text{nons}}(q_T^{\text{cut}}) \approx 0$
- That would be a bad (catastrophic) approximation with (without) $\sigma^{\text{fpc}} \subset \sigma^{\text{sing}}$

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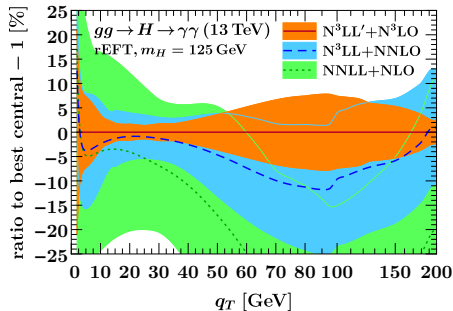
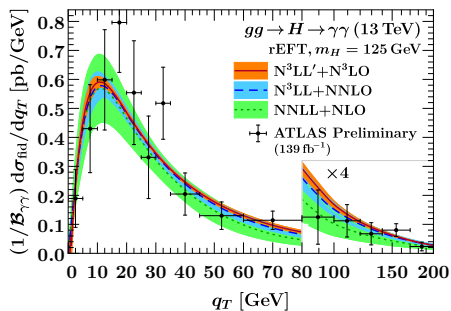


A word of numerical caution:

- Contributions from $\sigma^{\text{fpc}}(q_T \lesssim 0.1 \text{ GeV})$ can be as high as $\mathcal{O}(10\%) \times \sigma_{\text{LO}}$
- If evaluated by MC, as e.g. in projection-to-Born method, unbiased integration at these low q_T will be challenging (generation cuts, stability of amplitudes, ...)

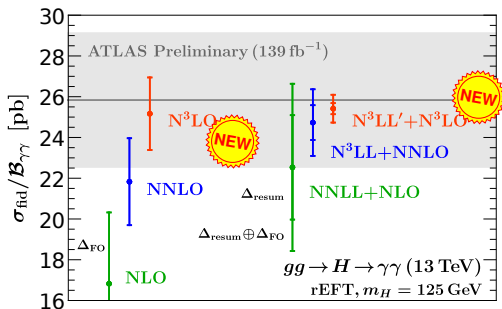
Results

The fiducial q_T spectrum at $N^3LL'+N^3LO$



- Total uncertainty is $\Delta_{\text{tot}} = \Delta_{q_T} \oplus \Delta_{\varphi} \oplus \Delta_{\text{match}} \oplus \Delta_{\text{FO}} \oplus \Delta_{\text{nons}}$
[See also Ebert, JM, Stewart, Tackmann, 2006.11382 for details]
- Observe excellent perturbative convergence & uncertainty coverage
 - Crucial to consider every variation to probe all parts of the prediction
 - Three-loop beam function has noticeable effect on central value and band
- Divide $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ branching ratio $\mathcal{B}_{\gamma\gamma}$ out of data [LHC Higgs Cross Section WG, 1610.07922]
- Data are corrected for other production channels, photon isolation efficiency [ATLAS, 1802.04146]

The total fiducial cross section at $N^3\text{LO}$ and $N^3\text{LL}'+N^3\text{LO}$



- ▶ Large $N^3\text{LO}$ correction to fiducial cross section (worse than inclusive)
 - ▶ Caused by fiducial power corrections, *not* captured by rescaling
- ▶ Resummation restores convergence
 - ▶ Needs both q_T and timelike resummation (different effects, neither is sufficient)

Interesting: Infrared sensitivity observed e.g. in $\Delta\eta_{\gamma\gamma}$ spectrum at $N^3\text{LO}$
[Chen, Gehrmann, Glover, Huss, Mistlberger, 2102.07607]

⇔ Precisely the fiducial p.c.'s we can deal with and resum

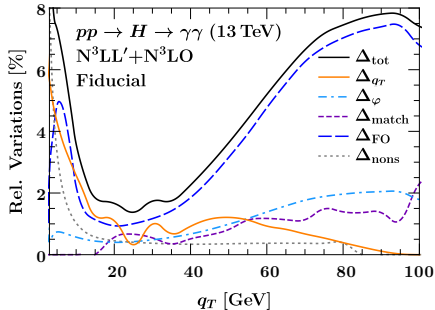
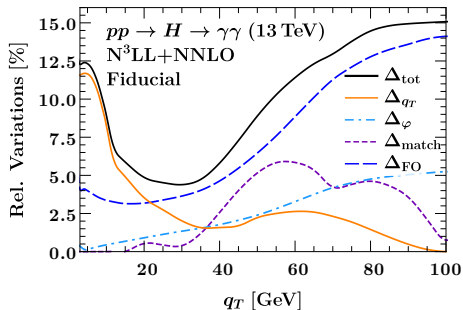
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Thank you for your attention!

Backup

Uncertainty breakdown



$$N^3LO: \quad \sigma_{fid}/\mathcal{B}_{\gamma\gamma} = (25.16 \pm 1.78_{FO} \pm 0.12_{nons}) \text{ pb}$$

$$N^3LL'+N^3LO: \quad \sigma_{fid}/\mathcal{B}_{\gamma\gamma} = (25.41 \pm 0.59_{FO} \pm 0.21_{q_T} \pm 0.17_{\varphi} \pm 0.06_{match} \pm 0.20_{nons}) \text{ pb}$$

Δ_{q_T} 36 independent scale variations in $W^{(0)}$ factorization

Δ_{φ} Vary phase of hard scale over $\arg \mu_H \in \{\pi/4, 3\pi/4\}$

Δ_{match} Vary transition points governing resummation turn-off

Δ_{FO} Vary $\mu_R/m_H \in \{1/2, 2\}$ (dominates over μ_F due to overall α_s^2)

Δ_{nons} Uncertainty on nonsingular extraction