Multi-boson processes in GENEVA

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Introduction

GENEVA combines the 3 theoretical tools we use for QCD predictions into a single framework:

1) Fully differential fixed-order calculations

- up to NNLO via *N*-jettiness or q_T-subtraction

2) Higher-logarithmic resummation

- up to NNLL′ or N3LL via SCET or RadISH

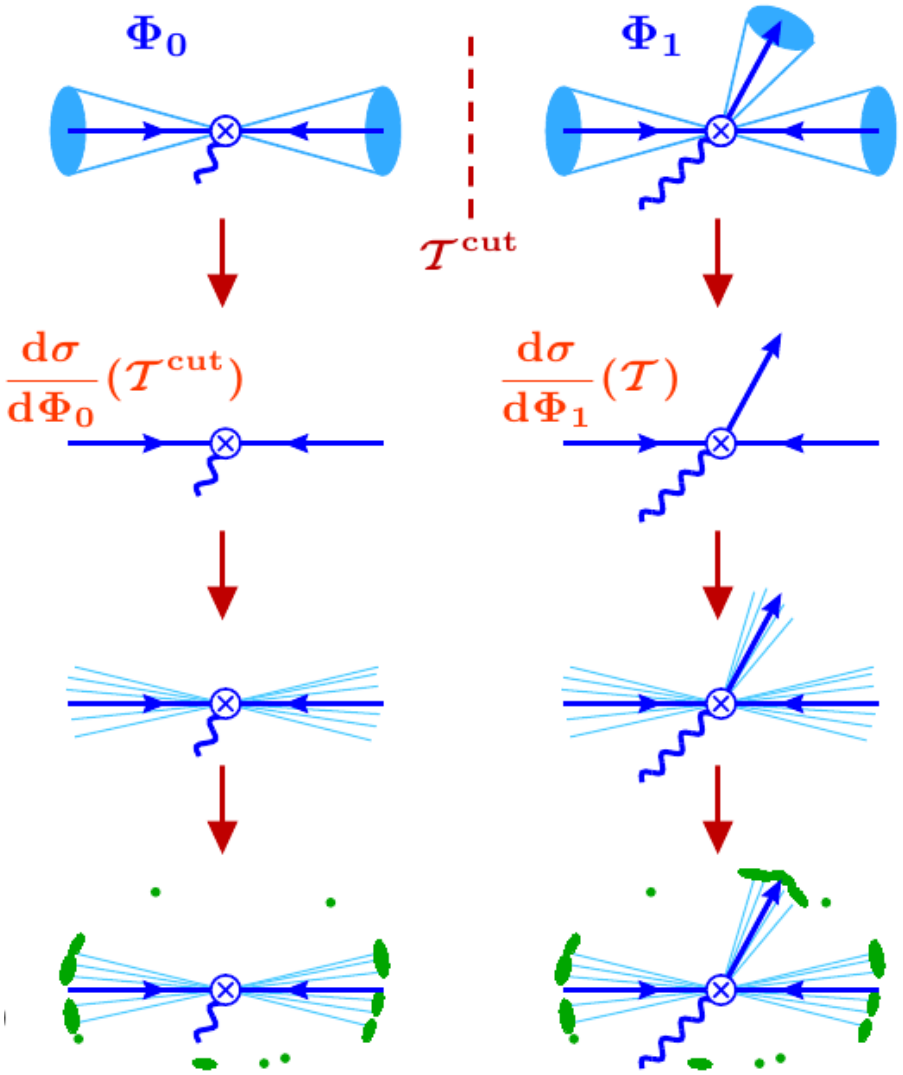
3) Parton showering, hadronization and MPI

- recycling standard SMC. Using PYTHIA8 now, any SMC supporting LHEF and user-hook vetoes is OK

Resulting Monte Carlo event generator has many advantages:

- consistently improves perturbative accuracy away from FO regions
- provides event-by-event systematic estimate of theoretical perturbative uncertainties and correlations
- gives a direct interface to SMC hadronization, MPI modeling and detector simulations.

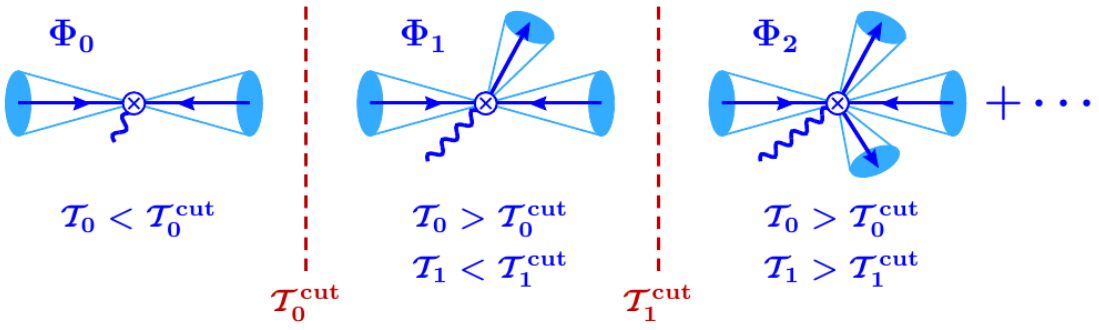
Schematic view of the GENEVA method :

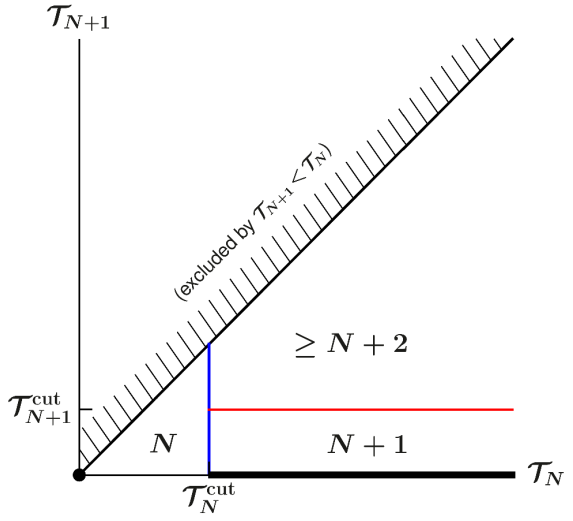


1. Choose the resolution parameters, e.g. $\mathcal{T}_0^{\rm cut}$ or $p_T^{\rm cut}$, for an IR-finite definition of the events.
2. Associate differential cross-sections to events such that events are (N)NLO accurate and the resolution parameter is resummed at high-enough accuracy.
3. Shower the events imposing conditions trying to avoid spoiling the resummation accuracy reached at step 2.
4. Hadronize, add multi-parton interactions (MPI) and decay without further restrictions.

IR-safe definitions of events beyond LO

At NNLO one needs a 0-jet and a 1-jet resolution parameters. Iterating the procedure, the phase space is sliced into jet-bins





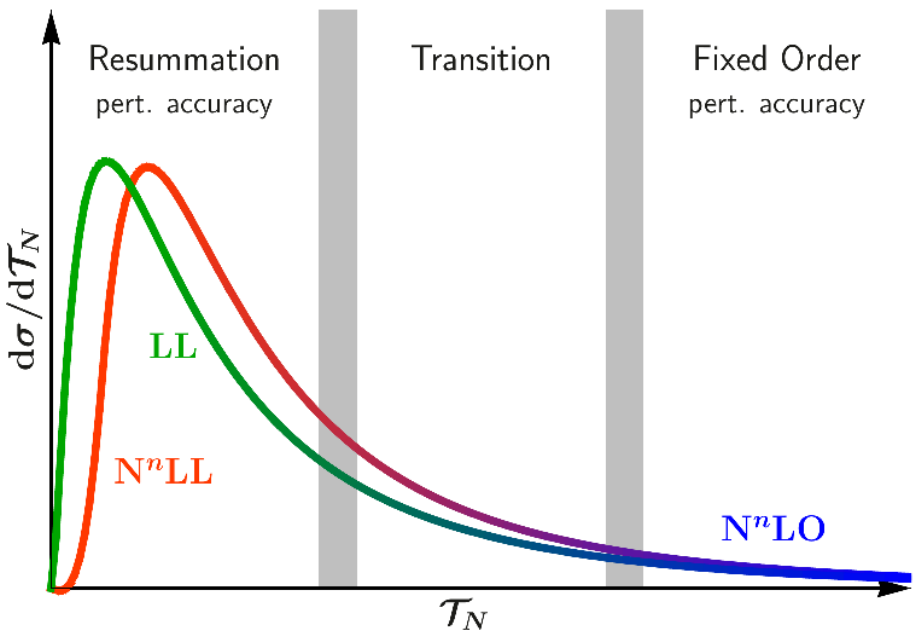
Different choices are possible for the resolution parameters, but one always has:

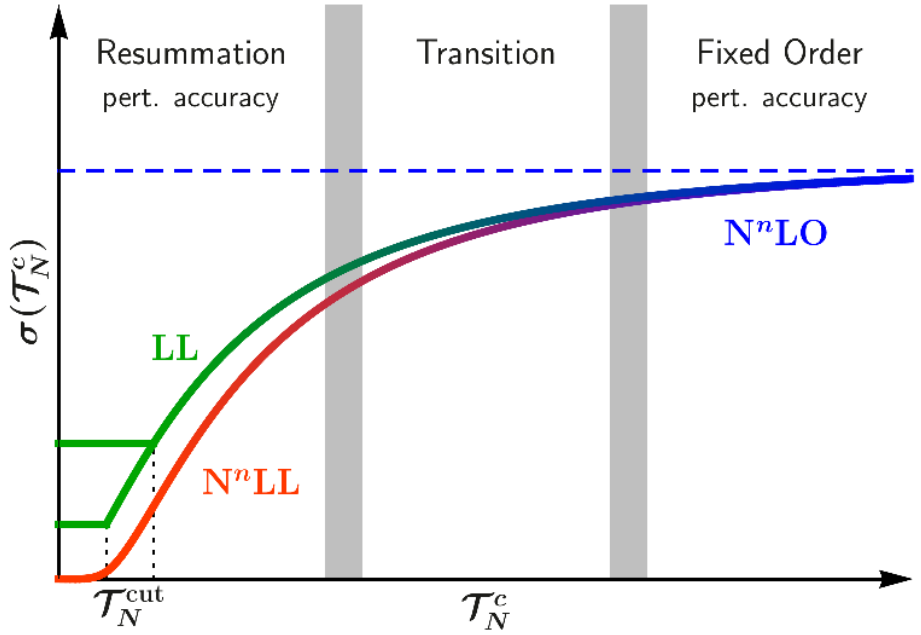
- Emissions below $\mathcal{T}_N^{\rm cut}$ are unresolved (i.e. integrated over) and the kinematic considered is the one of the event before the extra emission(s).
- Emissions above $\mathcal{T}_N^{\rm cut}$ are retained and the kinematics is fully specified.

An M-parton event is considered a N-jet event, $N \leq M$, fully differential in Φ_N

- Price to pay: power corrections in $\mathcal{T}_N^{\rm cut}$ due to PS projection.
- Advantage: vanish for IR-safe observables as $\mathcal{T}_N^{\rm cut} \to 0$

Combining resummation with fixed-order in GENEVA

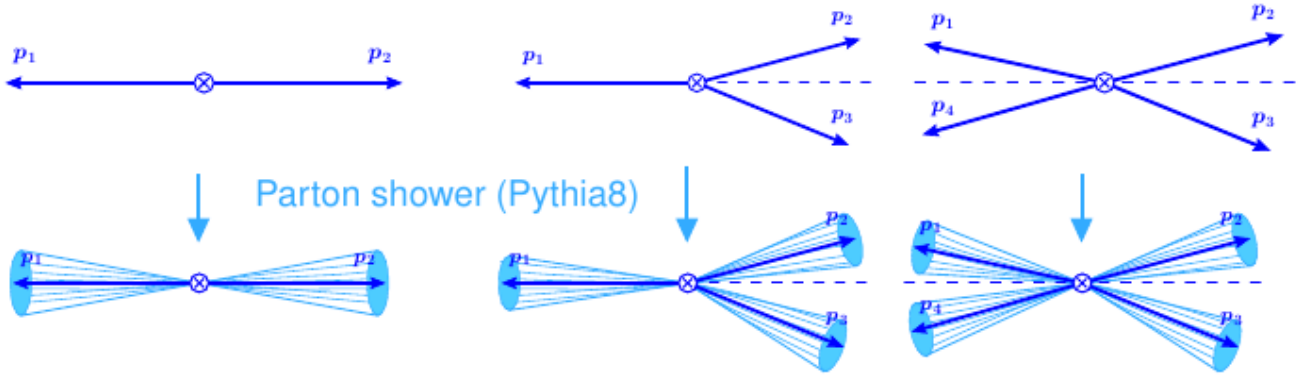




- The inclusion of the higher-order resummation is key to improve the accuracy of the predictions across the whole spectrum.
- Assuming a counting in which $\alpha_s L \sim 1$, the first "next-to-leading-order" correction to the spectrum enters at NNLL.
- To correctly match this to fixed-predictions one needs to include all singular α_s^2 terms, hence the NNLL$'$, and match to NNLO.
- These conditions set the minimum accuracy requirement for GENEVA. If higher-log resummation is available, it can be used.

Interfacing to the parton shower and hadronization

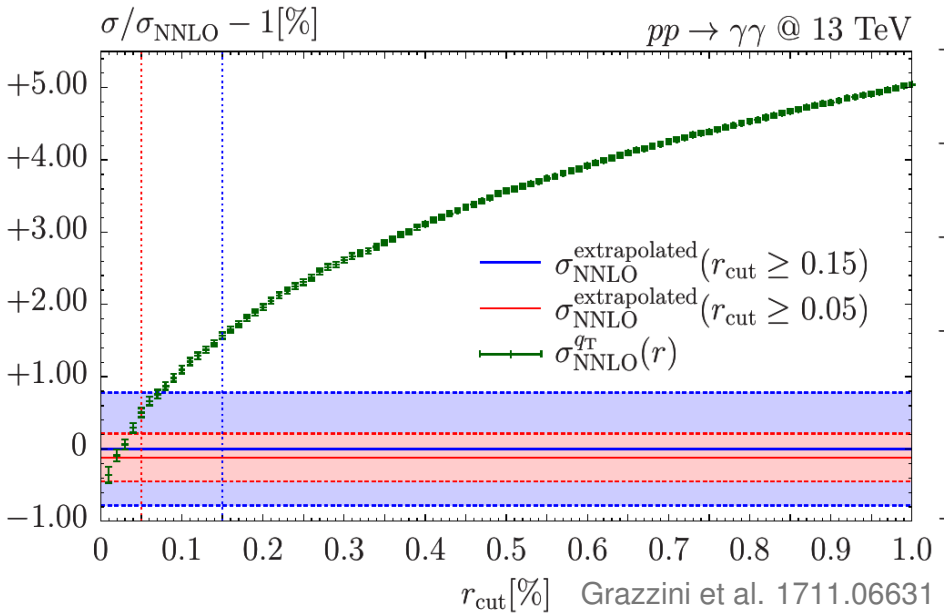
- Purpose of the parton shower is to fill the $0-$ and $1-$jet exclusive bins with radiation and add more emissions to the inclusive $2-$jet bin



- Ideally it should not change accuracy reached at partonic level.
- If the shower is ordered in resolution variable, setting SCALUP would be enough.
- For different ordering variable, jet-boundaries constraints $\mathcal{T}_k^{\rm cut}$ need to be imposed on hardest radiation (largest jet resolution scale)
- Impose the first emission has the largest jet resolution scale, by performing a splitting by hand using a NLL Sudakov and the $\mathcal{T}_k$-preserving map.
- GENEVA is not improving the hadronization stage, which should entirely be taken from the Shower Monte Carlo. However, care must be taken to appropriately re-tune parameters, due to the increased accuracy of perturbative ingredients.
- When MPI evolution is interleaved, the shower restrictions must be applied on the event stripped off by MPI. It can only be done before hadronization, afterwards shower history is mixed up.

Diphoton production

- Important background to Higgs boson production and NP searches
- Similar to DY and VH production previously studied, complications from process definition due to QED divergencies
- Requires introduction of photon-isolation procedure, to remove huge background from secondary photons
- Using dynamic-cone (Frixione) isolation in generation. Final analysis can be performed with dynamic or fixed-cone isolation.
- Size of linear power corrections associated to isolation is very challenging, both in q_T and $\mathcal{T}_0$ Ebert, Tackmann 1911.08486, Becher,Neumann 2009.11437



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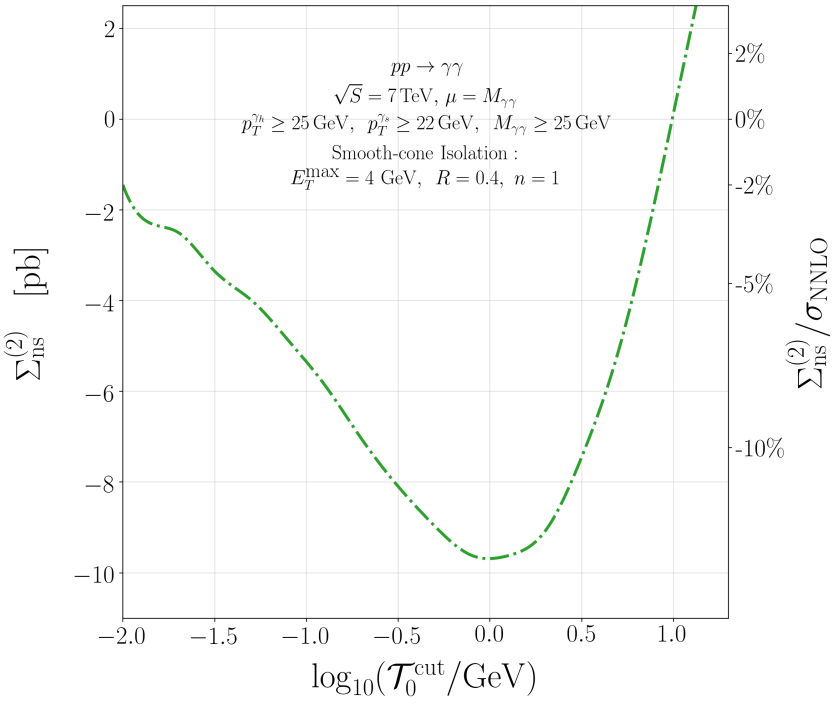
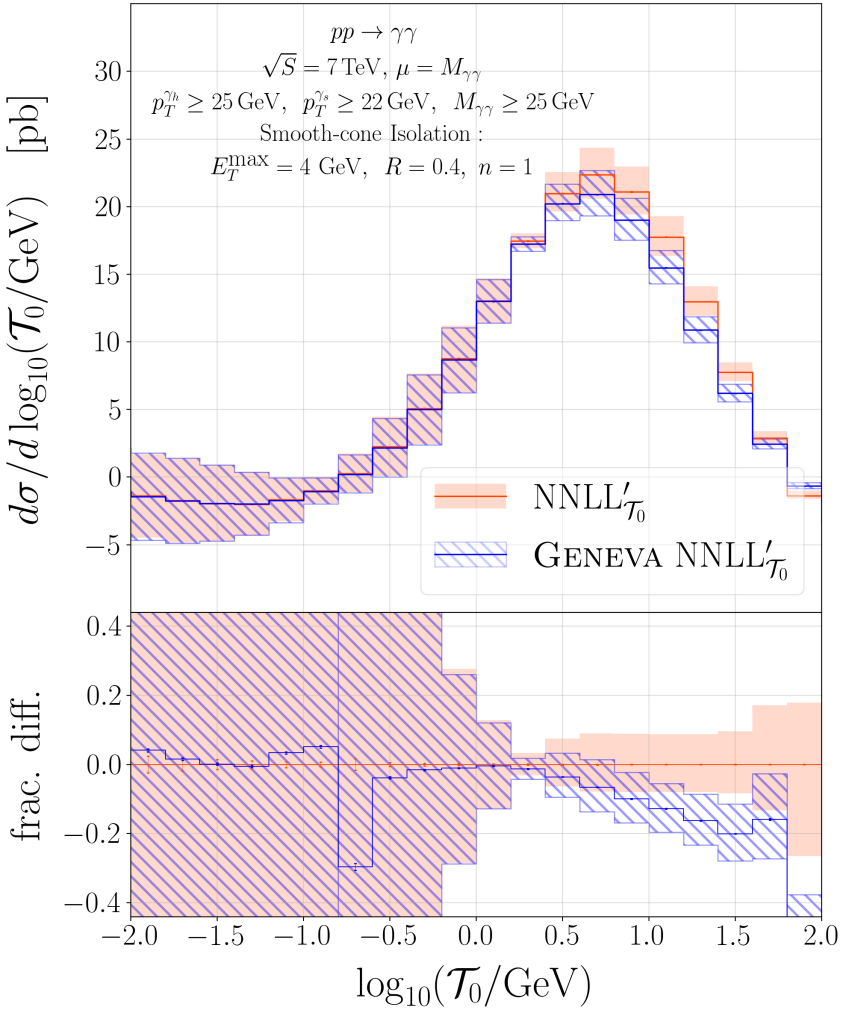
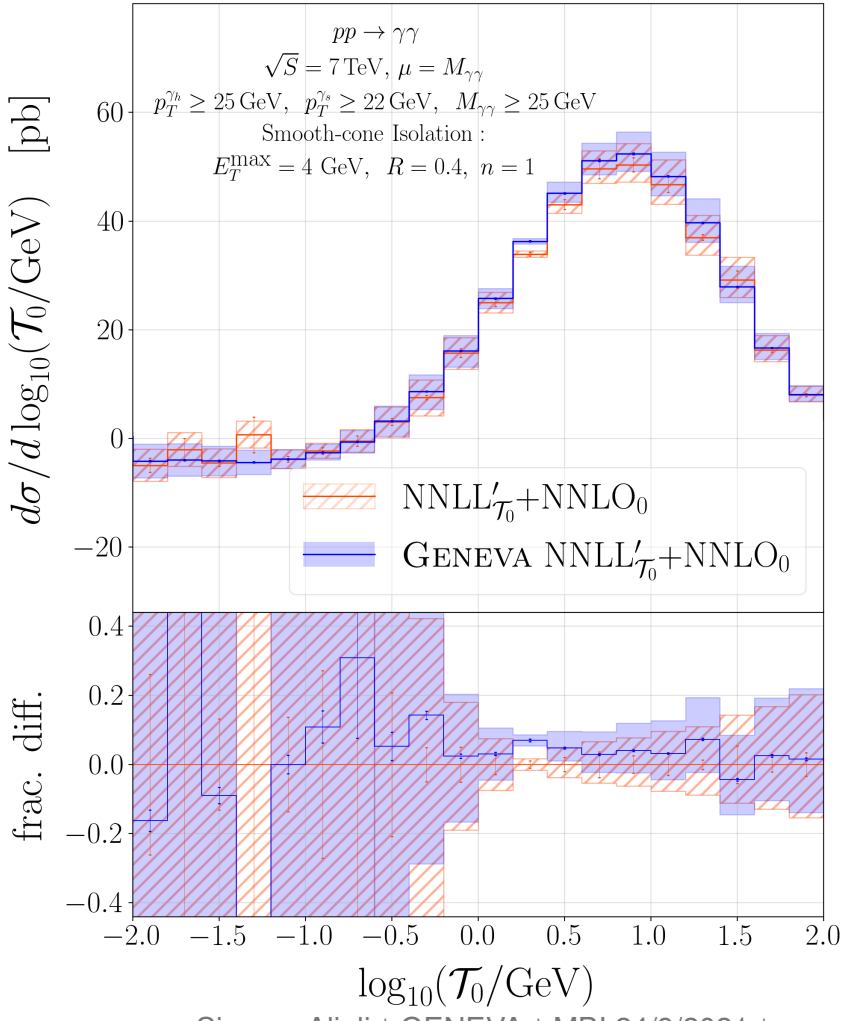


GENEVA for diphoton production

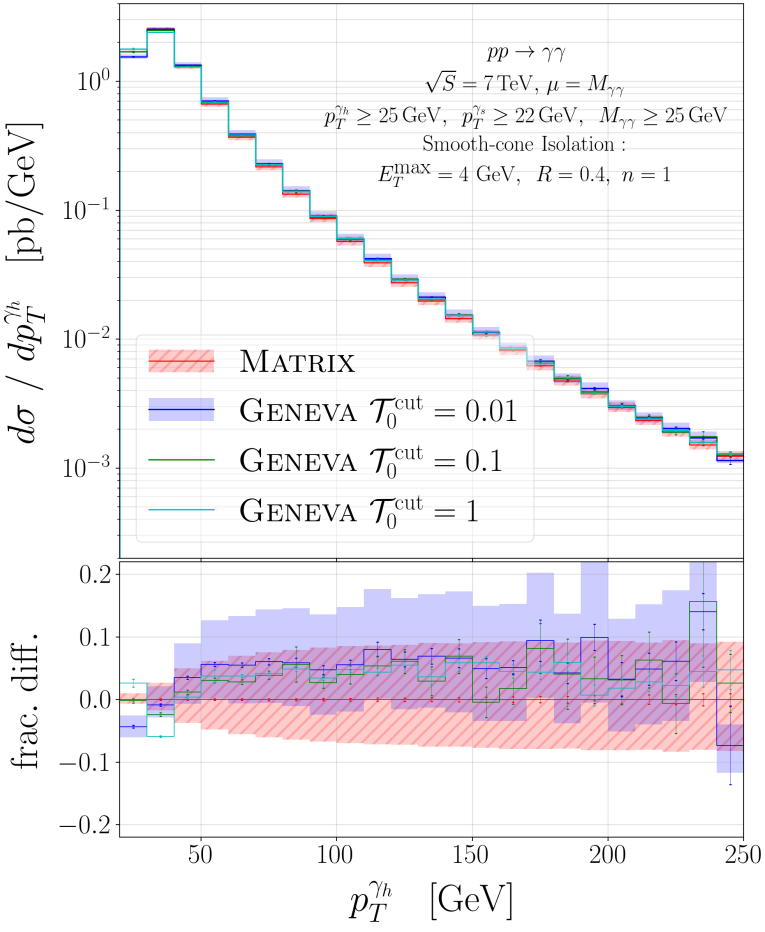
- Introduction of isolation cuts requires particular attention to definition of resummed component.
- Differences arise due to treatment of nonsingular phase-space points which might fail isolation cuts after the projection.

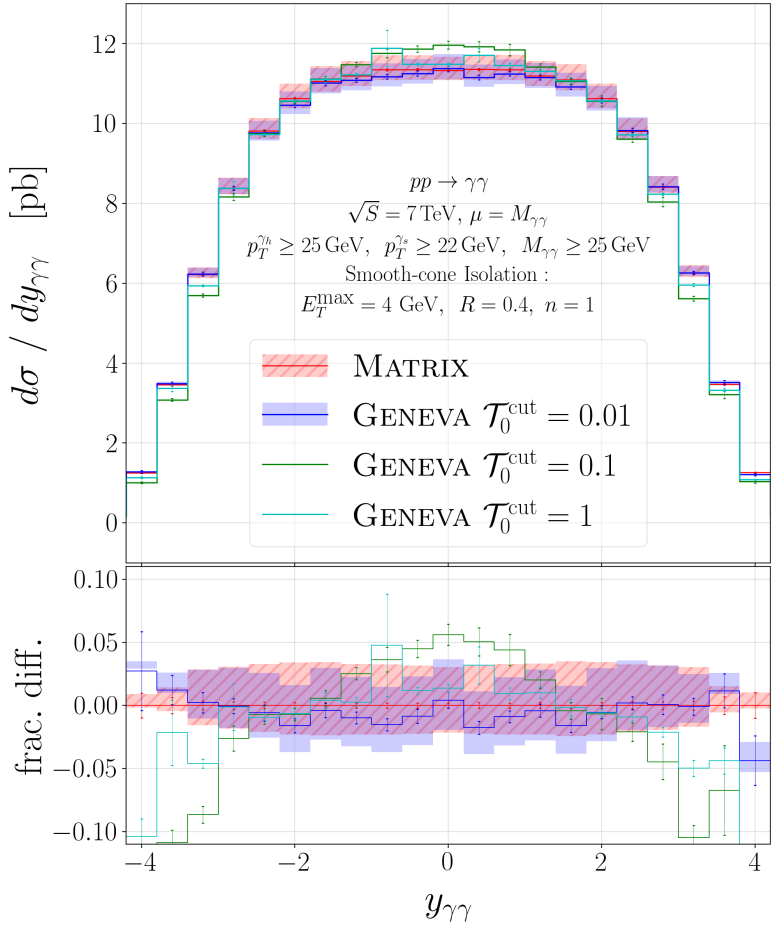




GENEVA for diphoton production

- NNLO comparison for 13 TeV LHC, $p_{T,\gamma_h} > 25$ GeV , $p_{T,\gamma_s} > 22$ GeV, Frixione isolation R=0.4
- Only $q\bar{q}$-channel included in comparison, gg loop-induced can be added as nonsingular contribution.
- Kinematical-effects at subleading power at order $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^2)$ can no longer be neglected.





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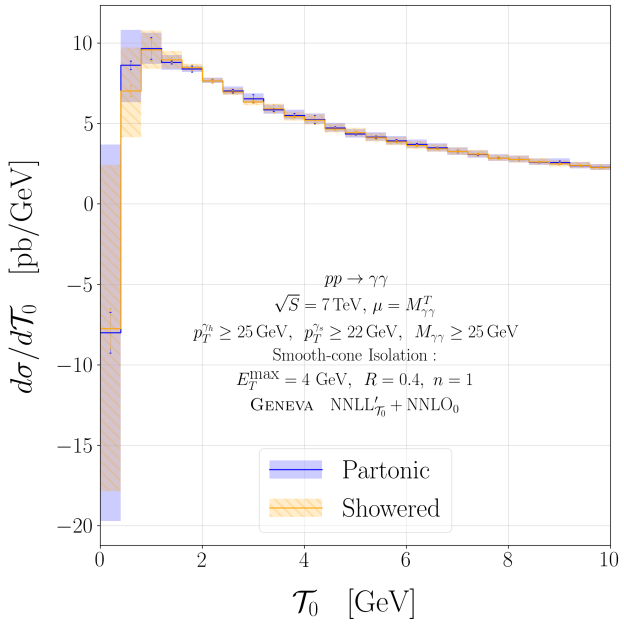

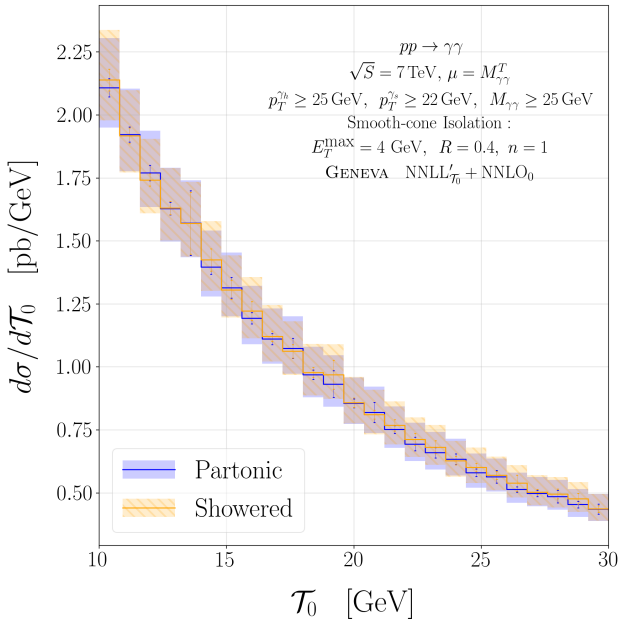

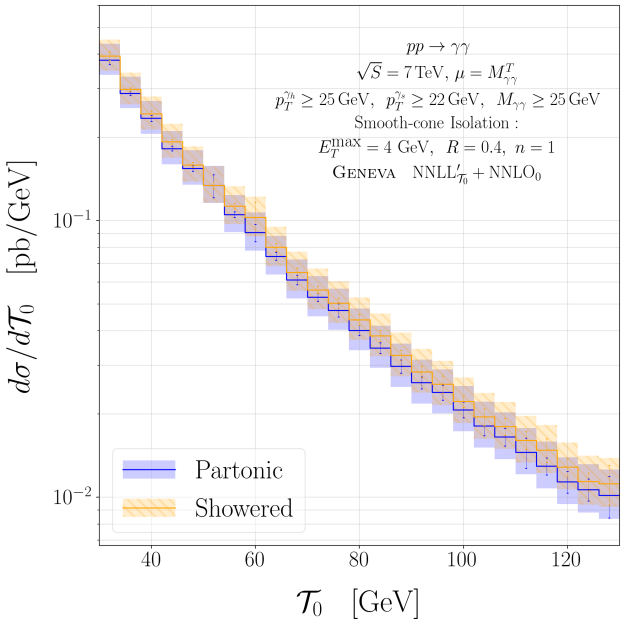

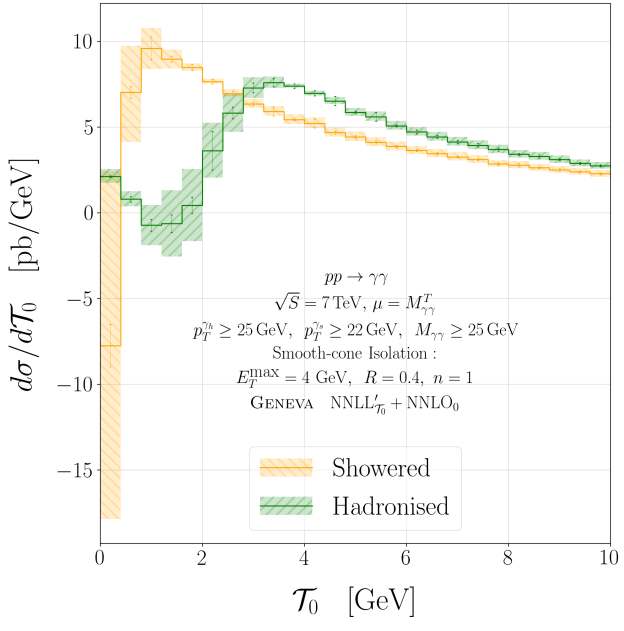

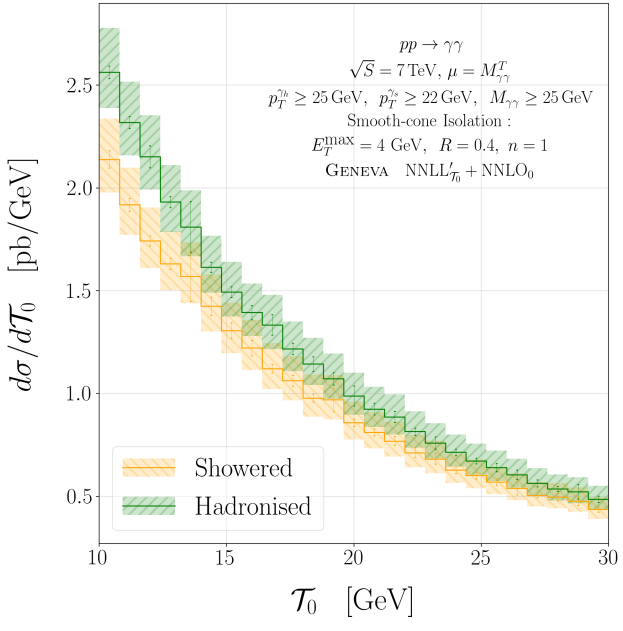

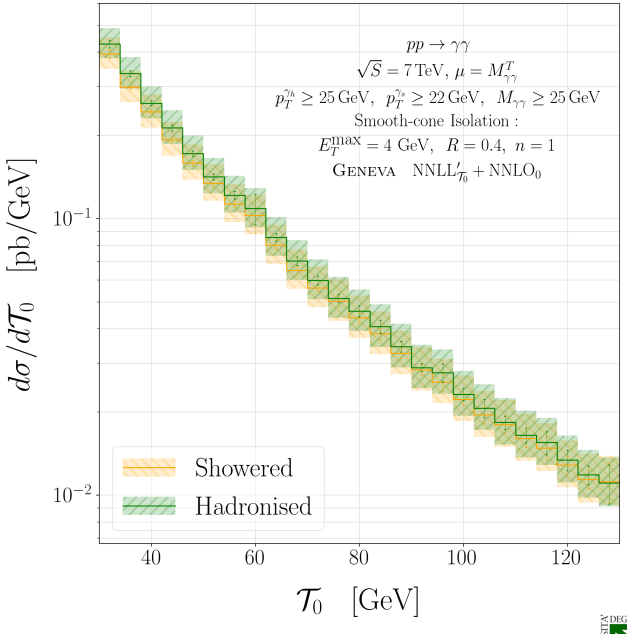

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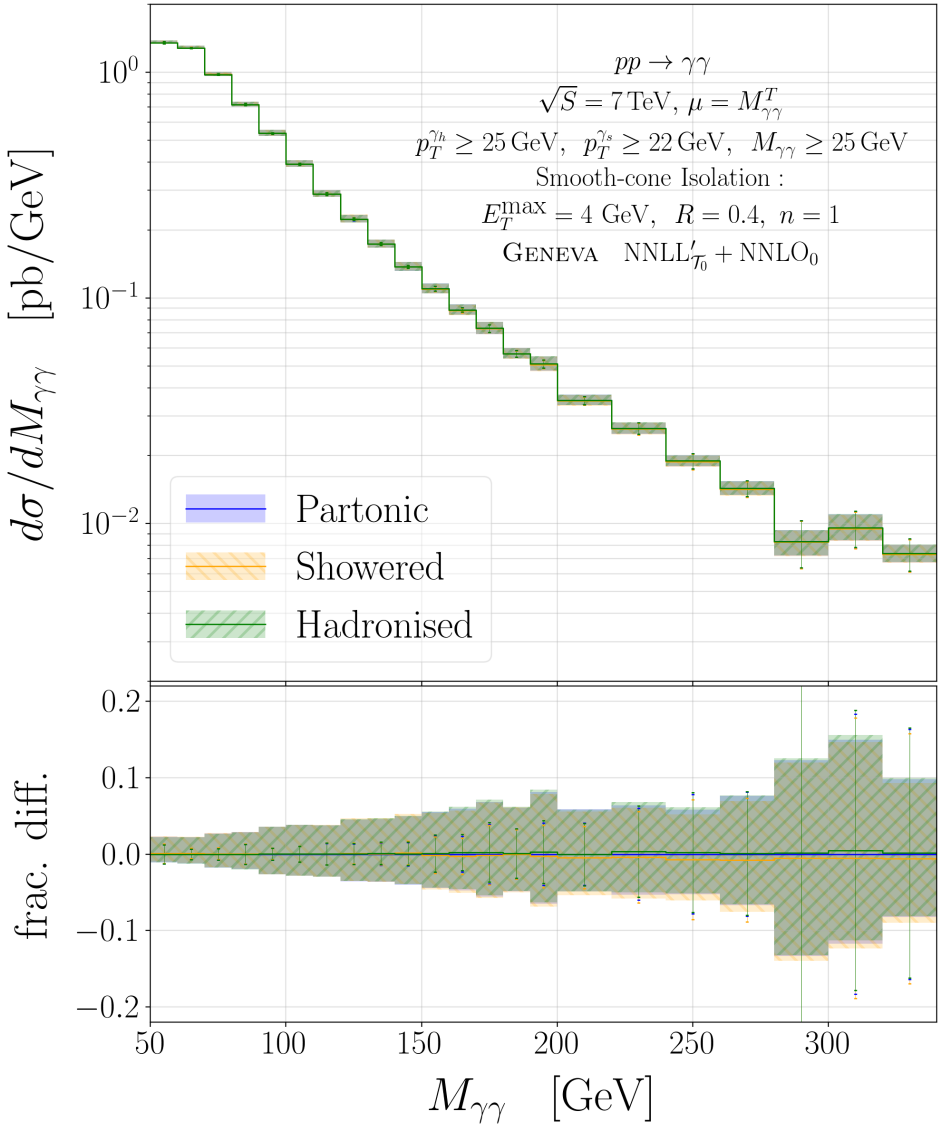

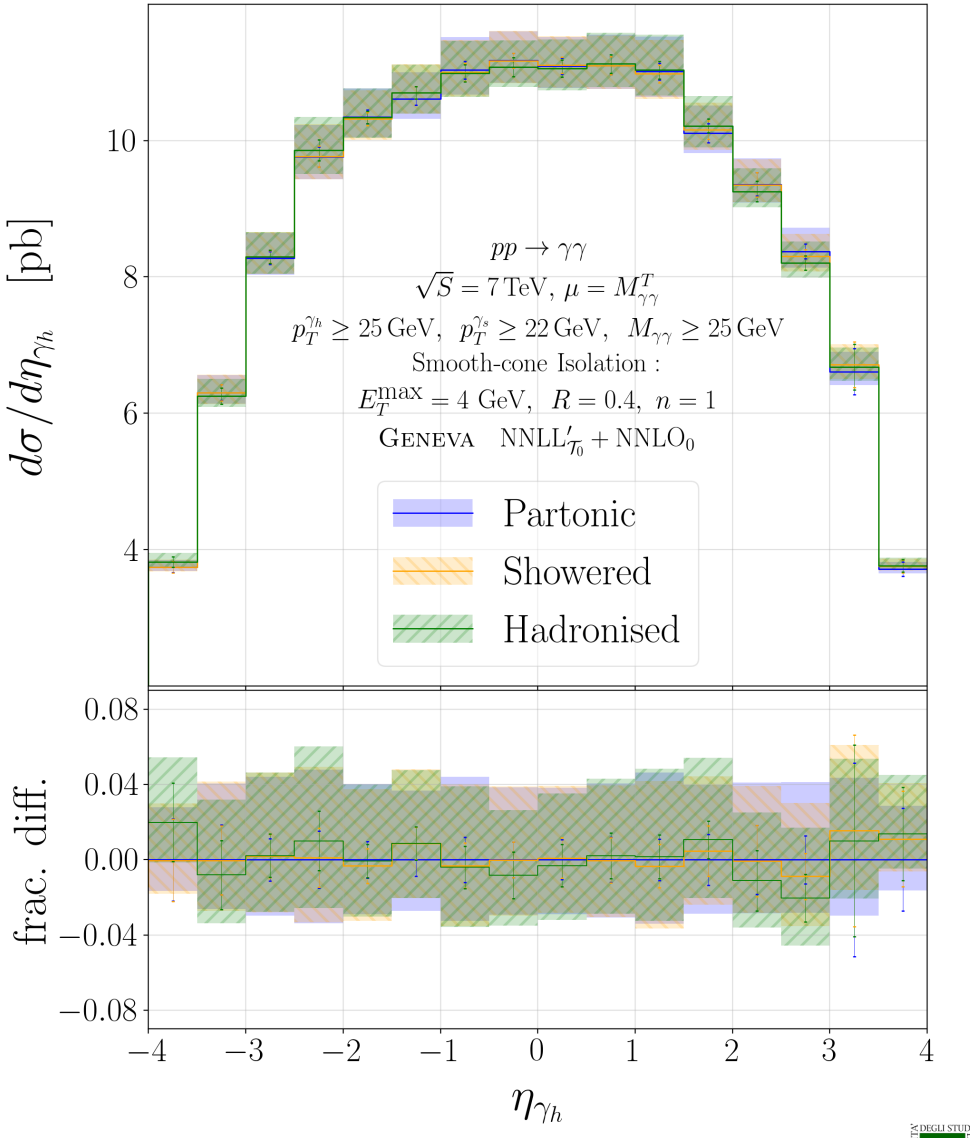

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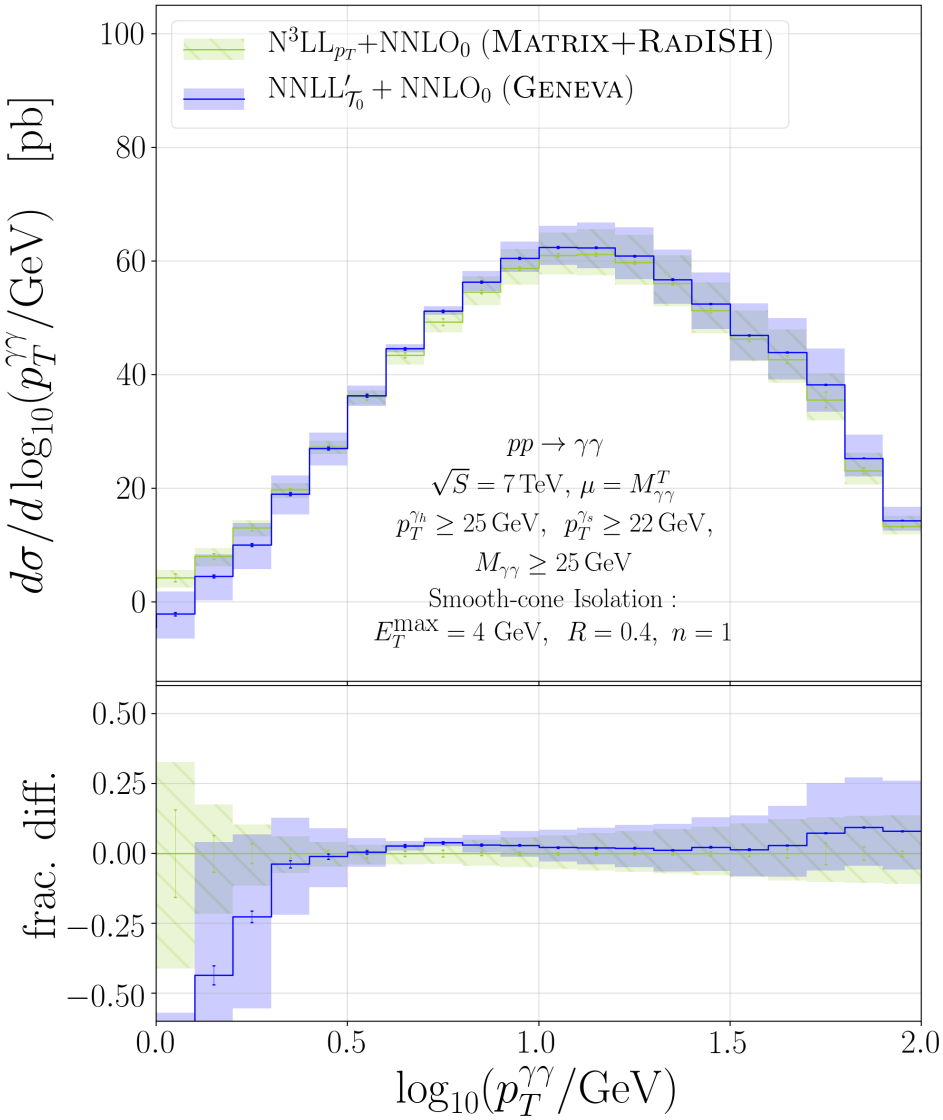

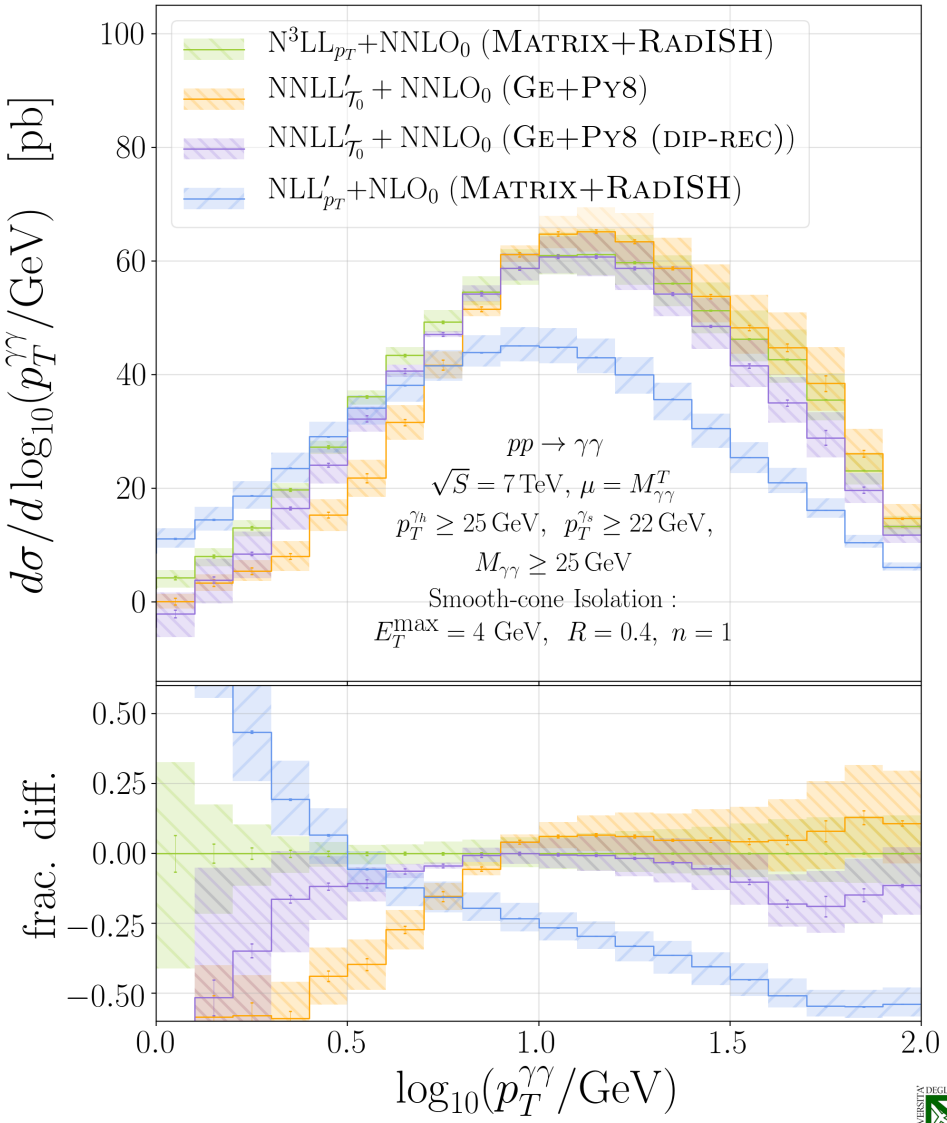

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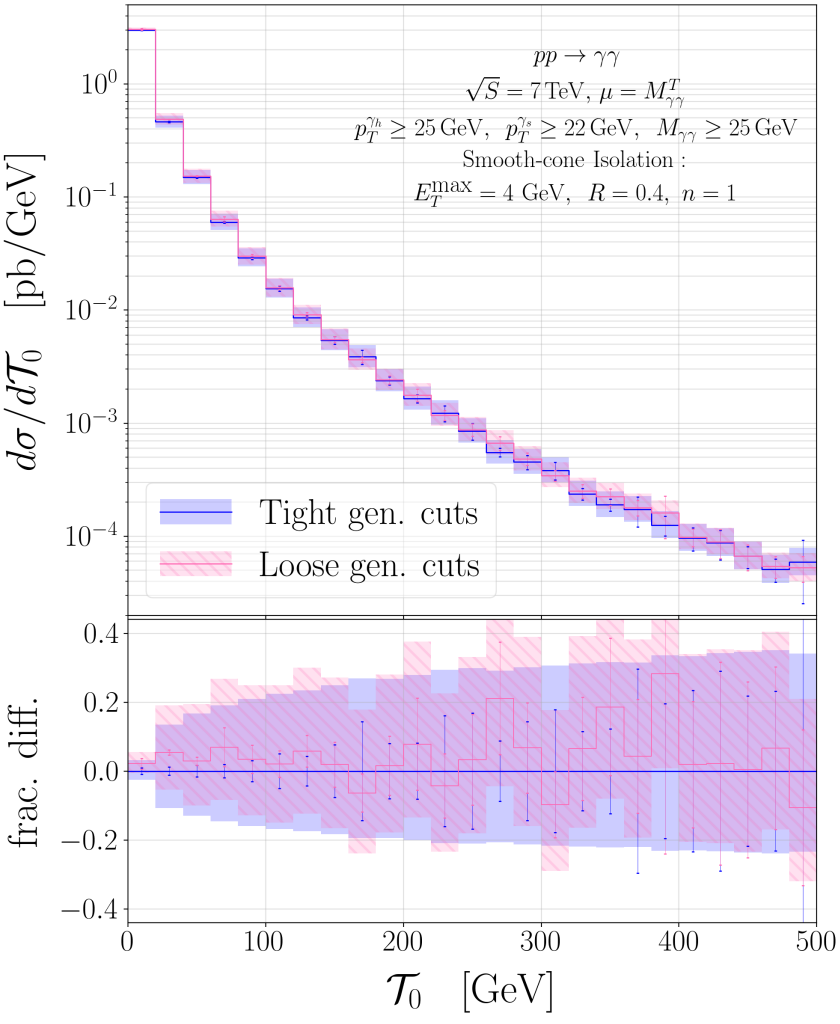

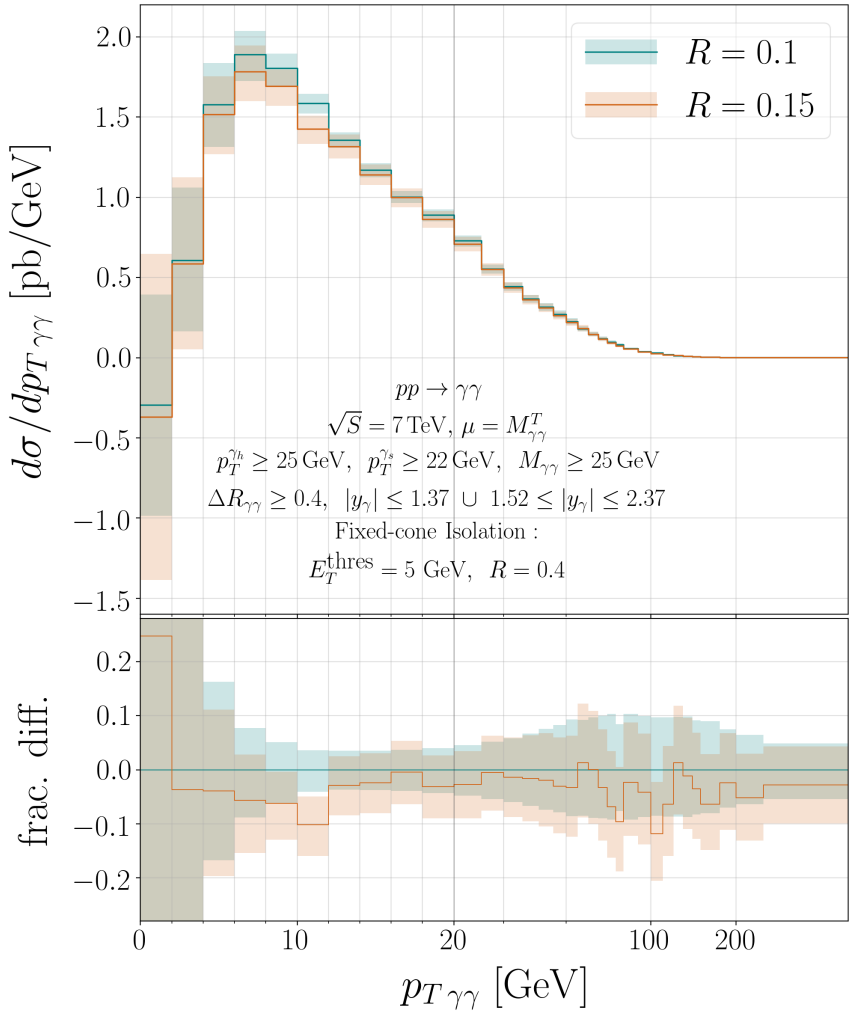

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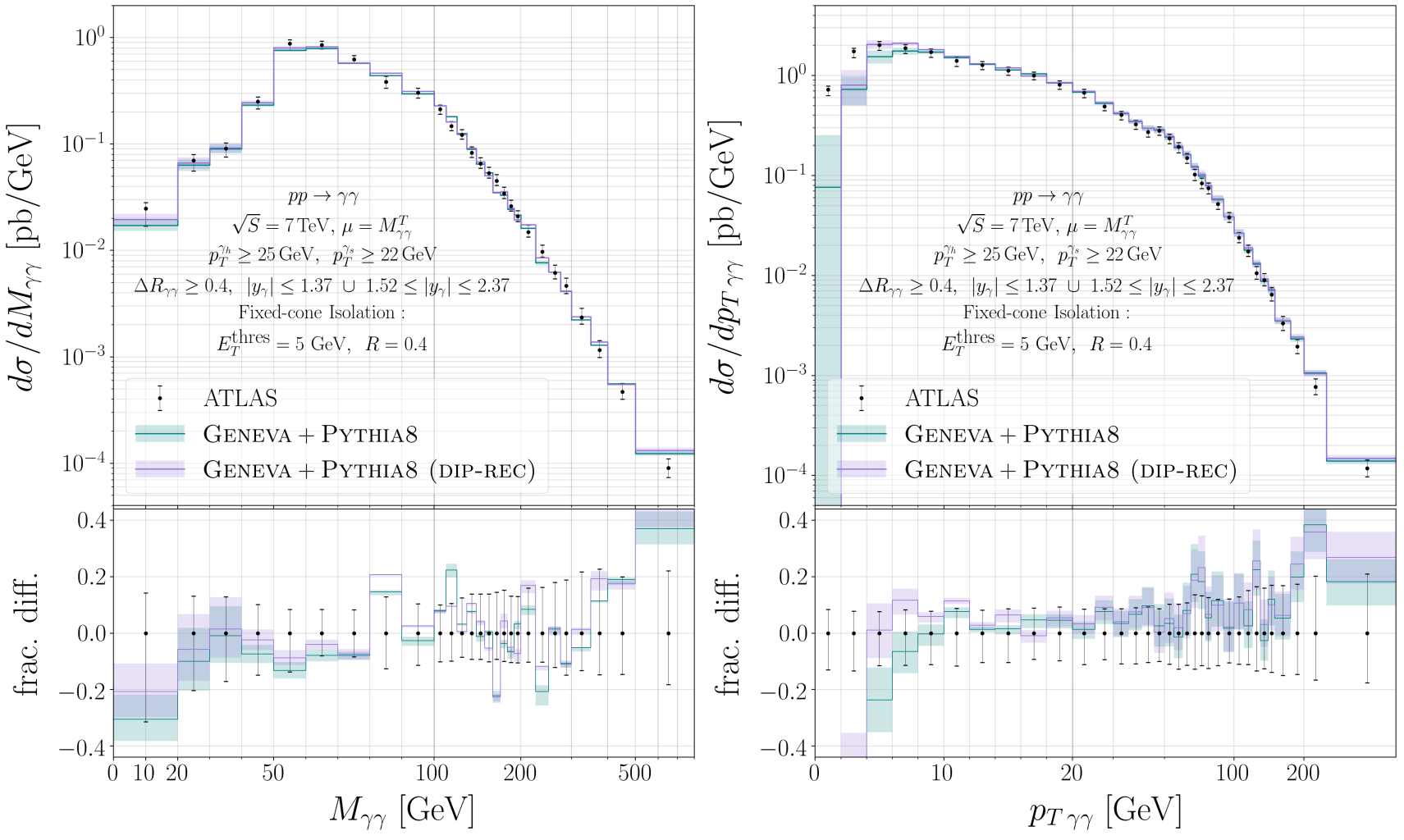

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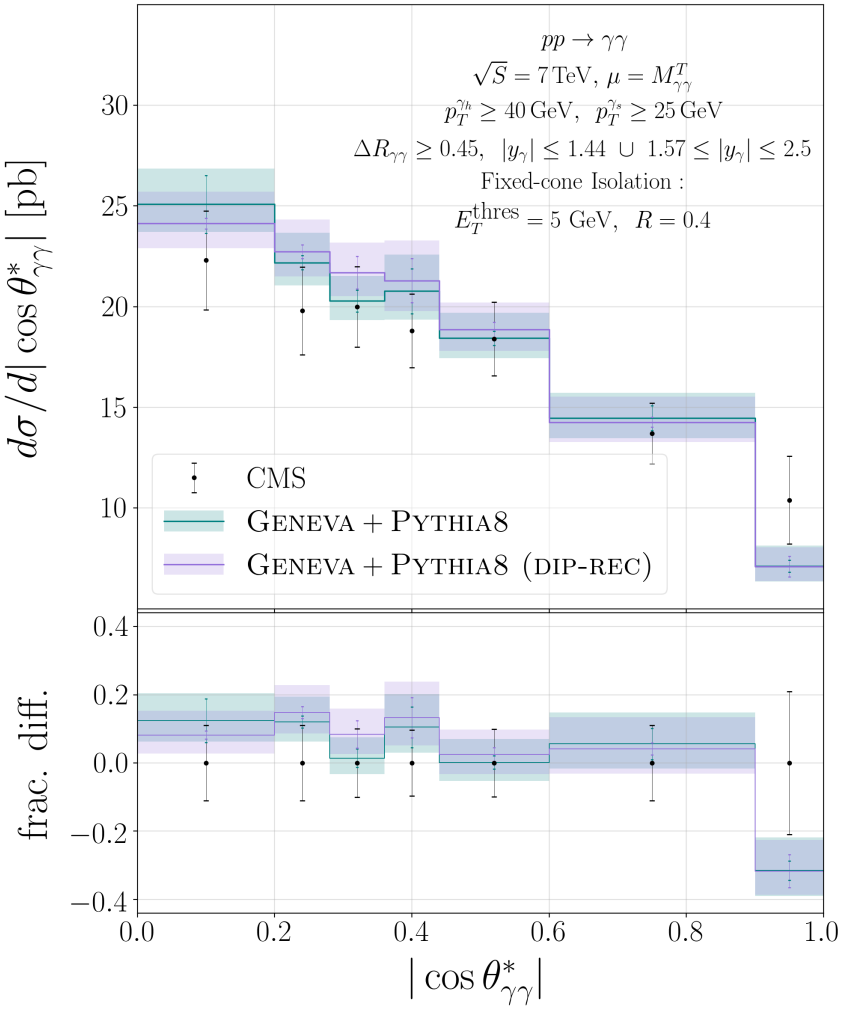

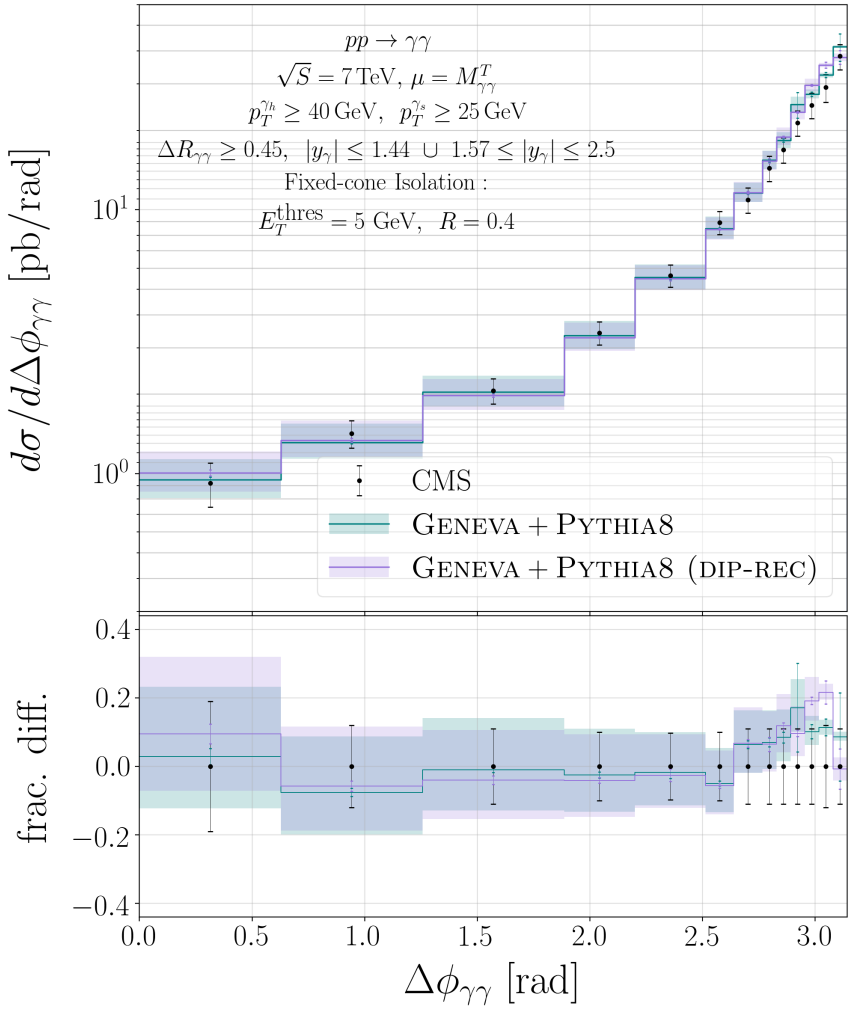

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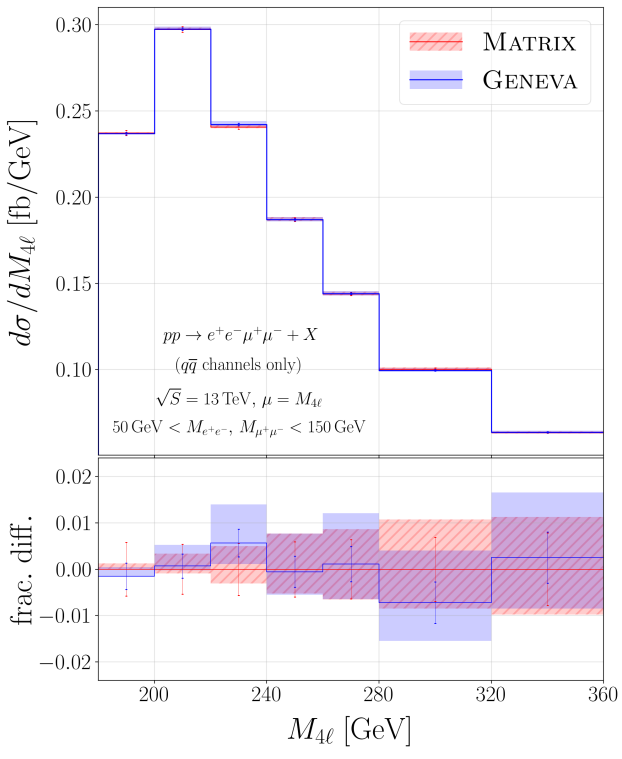

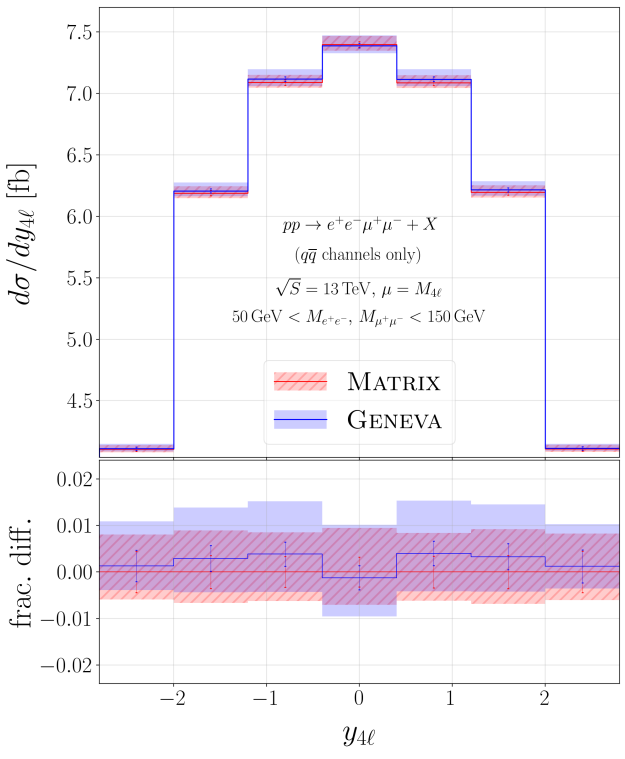

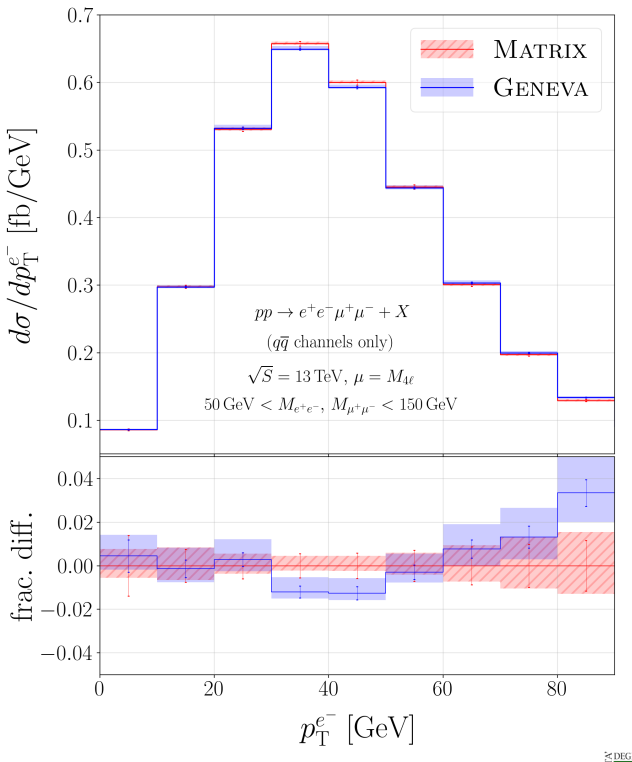

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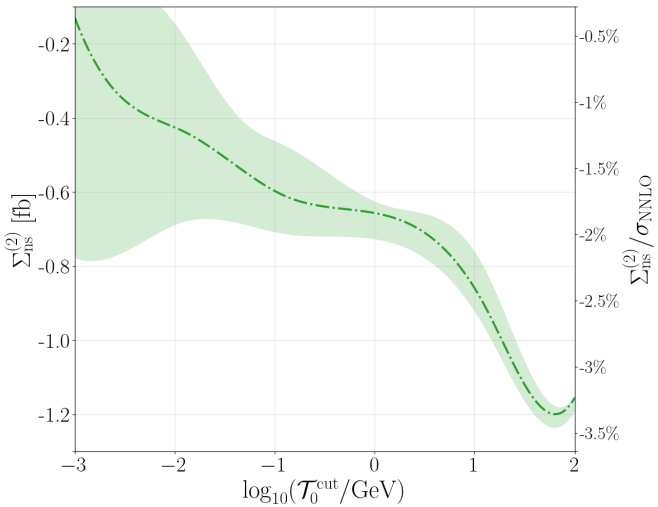
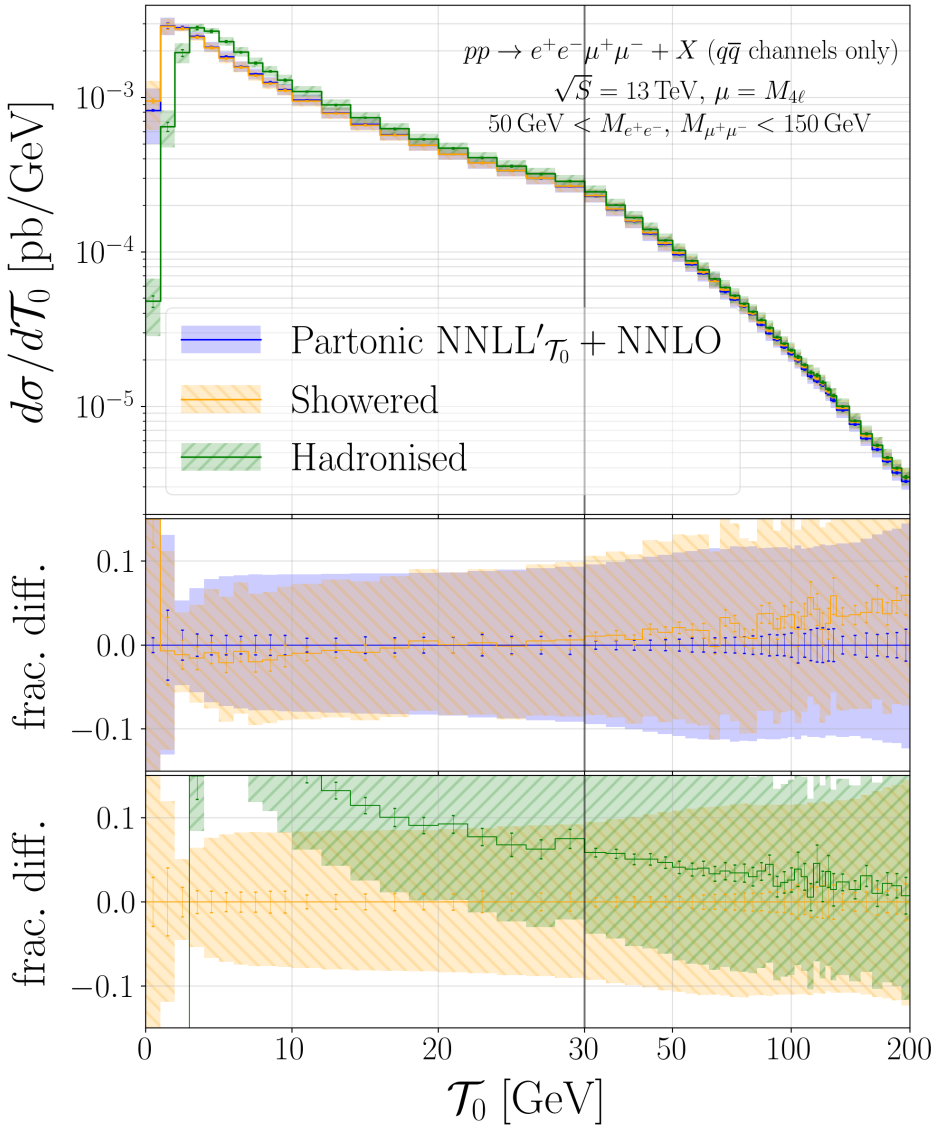
- After showering, expected behaviour for inclusive as well as for exclusive quantities.





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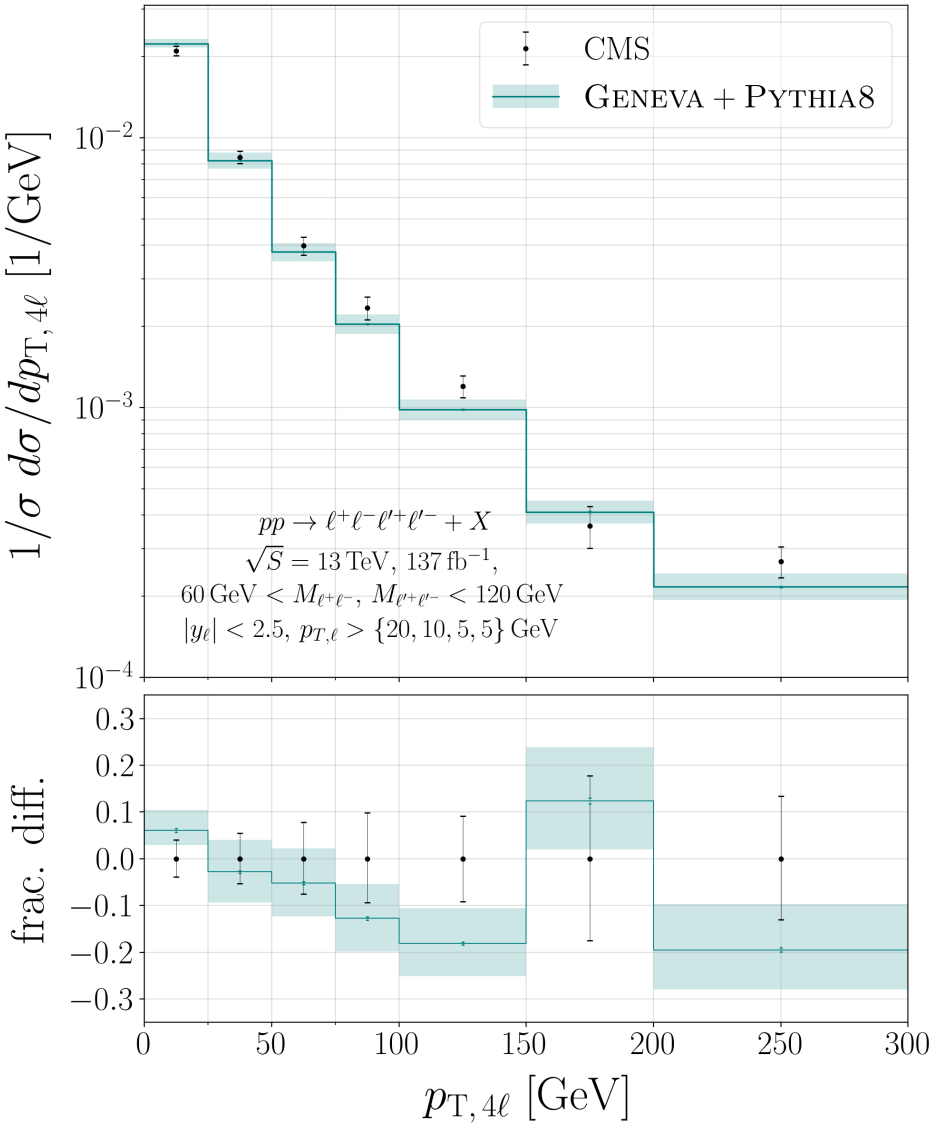
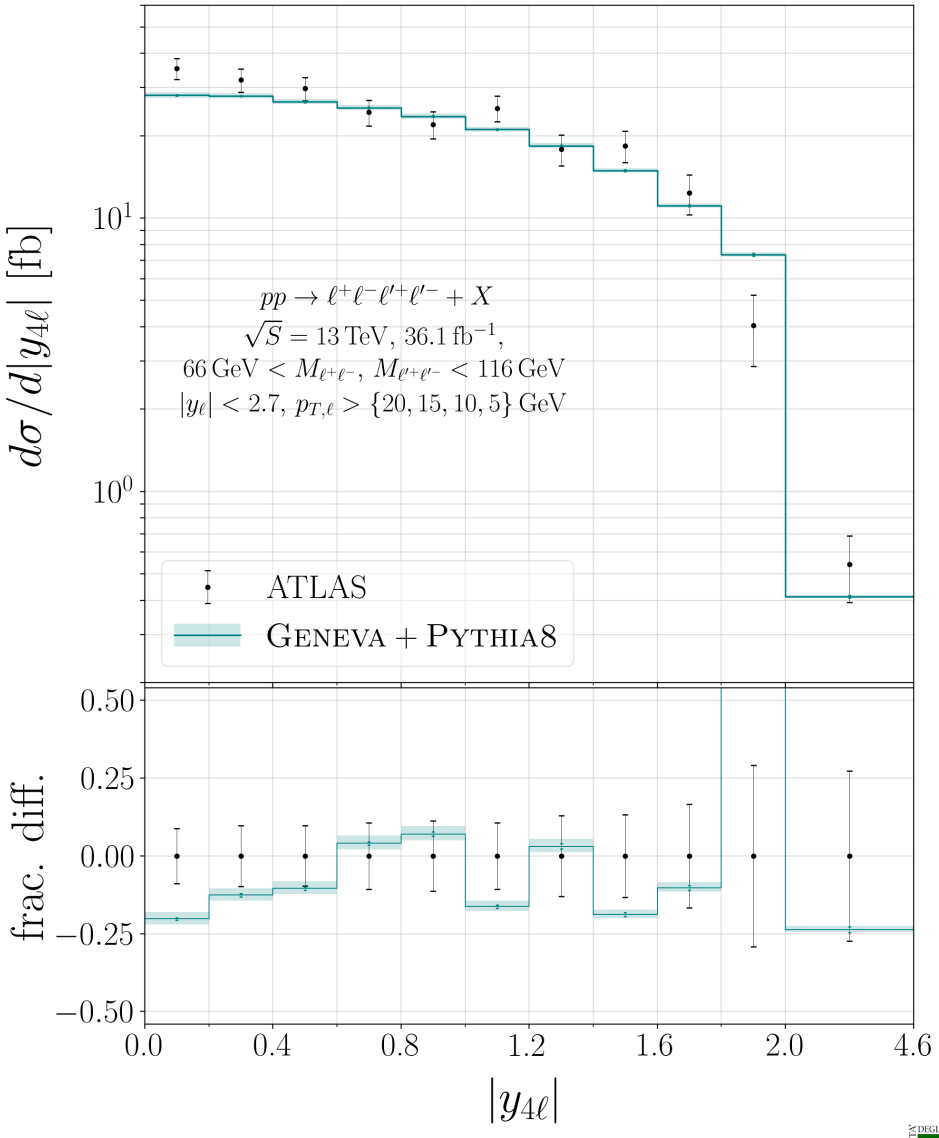
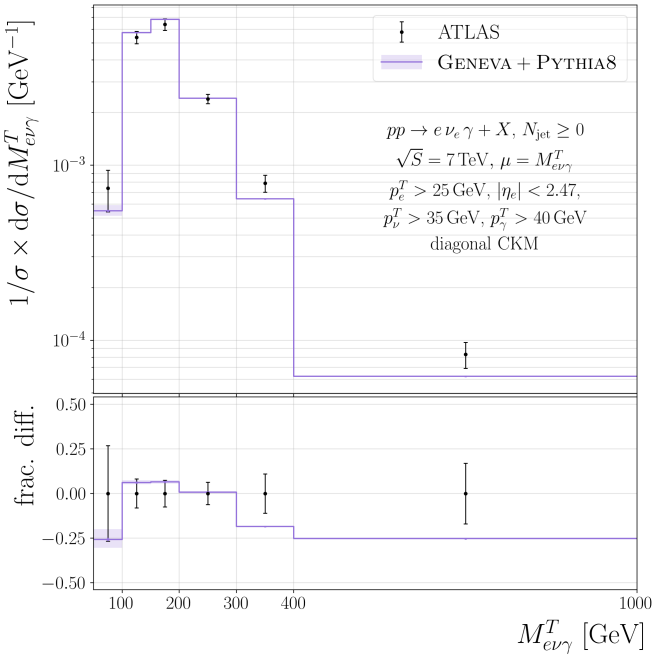
- After inclusion of gg-channel at LO we compared to ATLAS and CMS

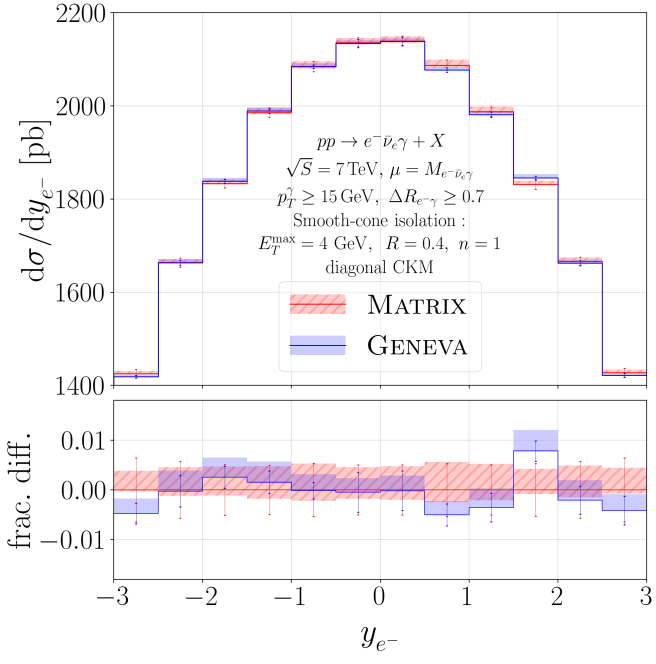


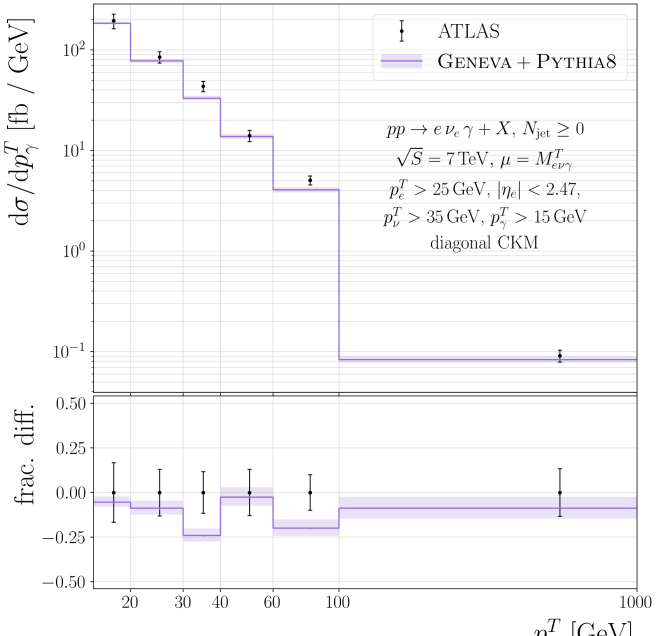


Diboson production: $W\gamma \to \ell\nu\gamma$

- NLO corrections artificially large due to the presence of a radiation zero at LO
- High sensititivity to non Abelian gauge couplings.
- Can be used to constrain the effects of higher-dimensional operator in the SMEFT
- Complex kinematics dependence, validated against MATRIX

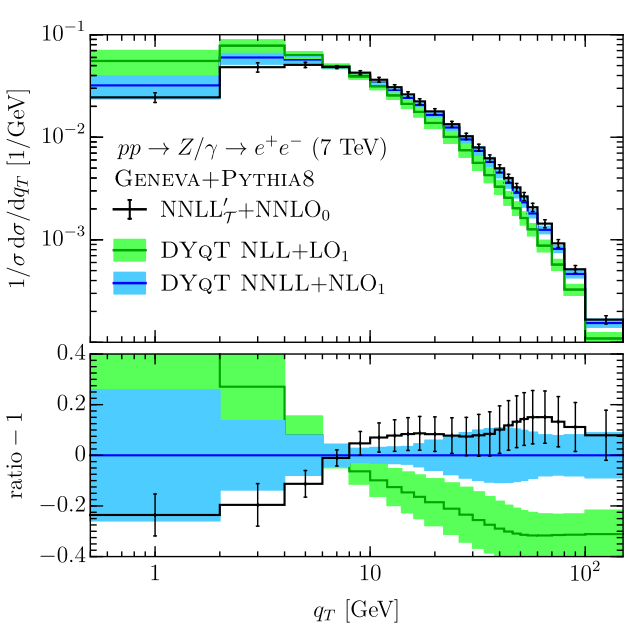


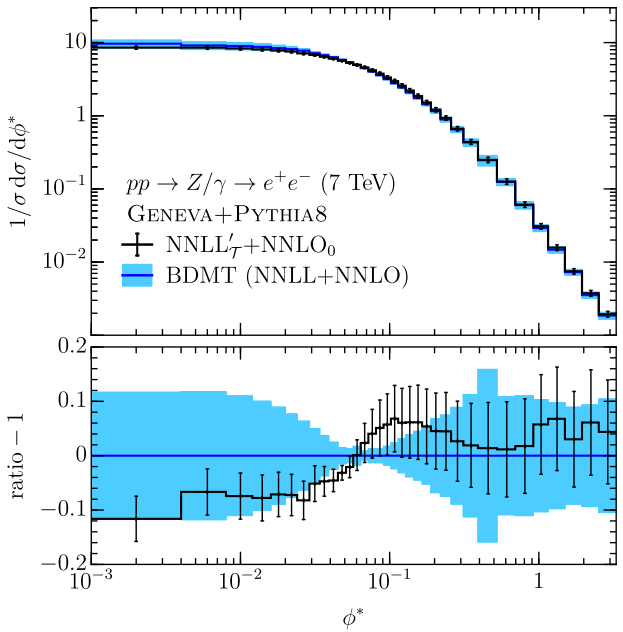


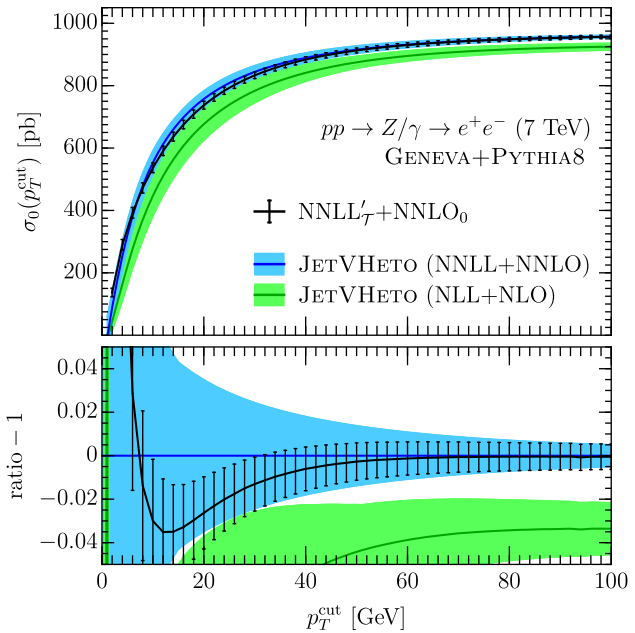


Accuracy for other observables : q_T, ϕ^* and jet-veto

- For DY one can compare with dedicated tools DYqT Bozzi et al. 1007.2351 , BDMT Banfi et al. 1205.4760 and JetVHeto Banfi et al. 1308.4634
- Analytic NNLL predictions formally higher log accuracy than GENEVA







- Results are in better agreement with higher-order resummation, despite lack of perturbative ingredients.
- Difficult to formally quantify the accuracy achieved after the parton shower stage, despite starting from a higher-order logarithmic accuracy. Numerical tests are possible, very computationally demanding.
- Recently NLL accurate showers begin to appear. It will be interesting to study how to interface GENEVA to them. Dasgupta et al. 2002.11114

Changing resolution parameter: Drell-Yan using q_T

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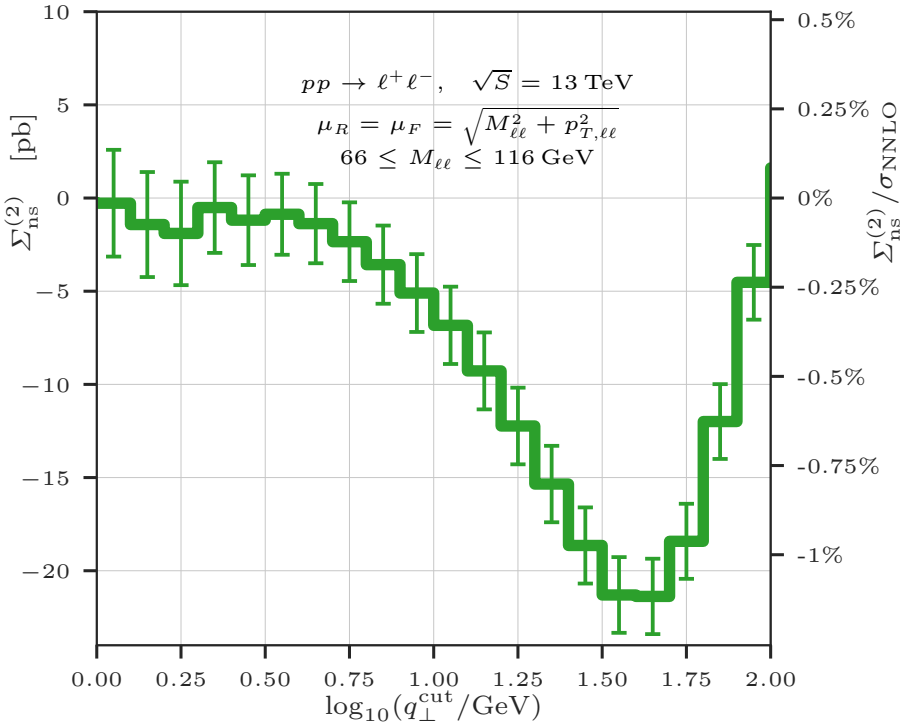
- RadISH performs q_T resummation up to N3LL directly in q_T space

  Bizon et al. 1905.05171
- Its internal structure requiring Monte Carlo generation of unphysical events makes it hard to directly link.
- We proceeded building interpolating grids with Chebyshev polynomials and calling these interpolating grids from Geneva.
- Usage of Chebyshev polynomials is key in easily obtaining spectrum from cumulant.



- Results are in good agreement with dedicated RadISH+NNLOJET N3LL+NNLO$_0$ control runs.

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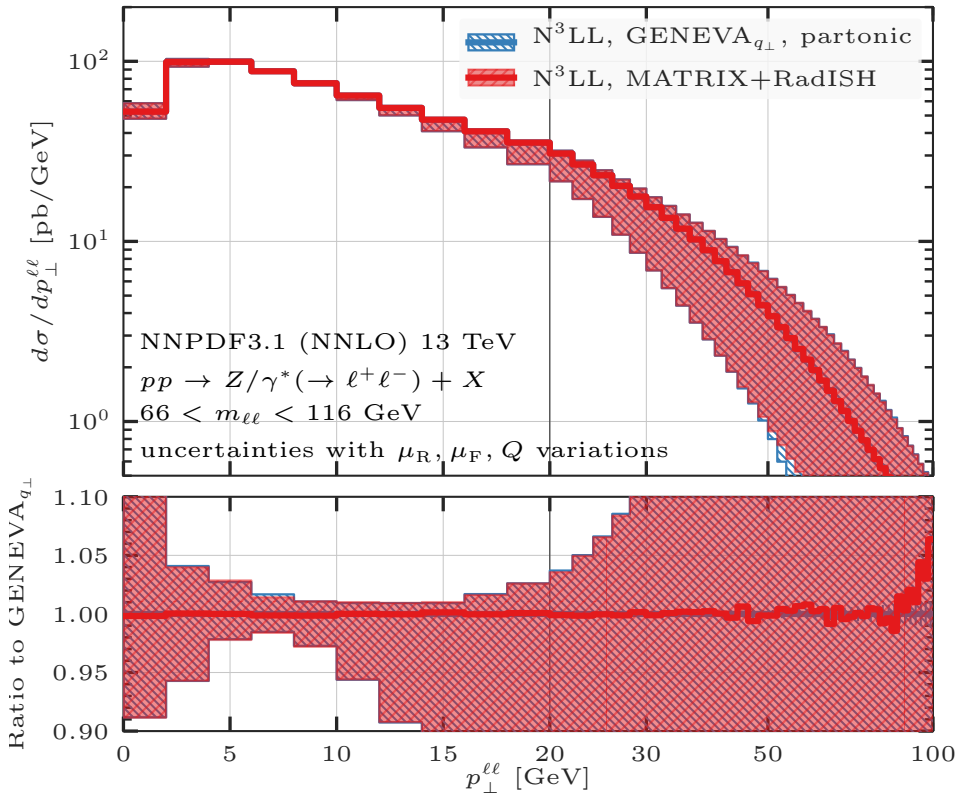

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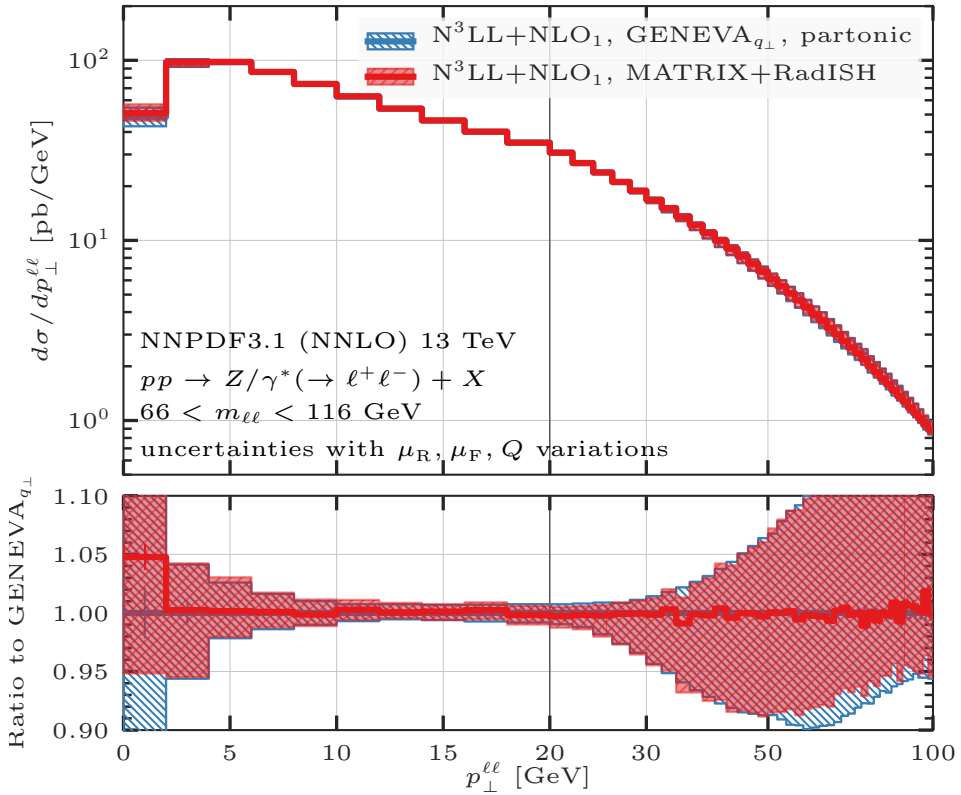

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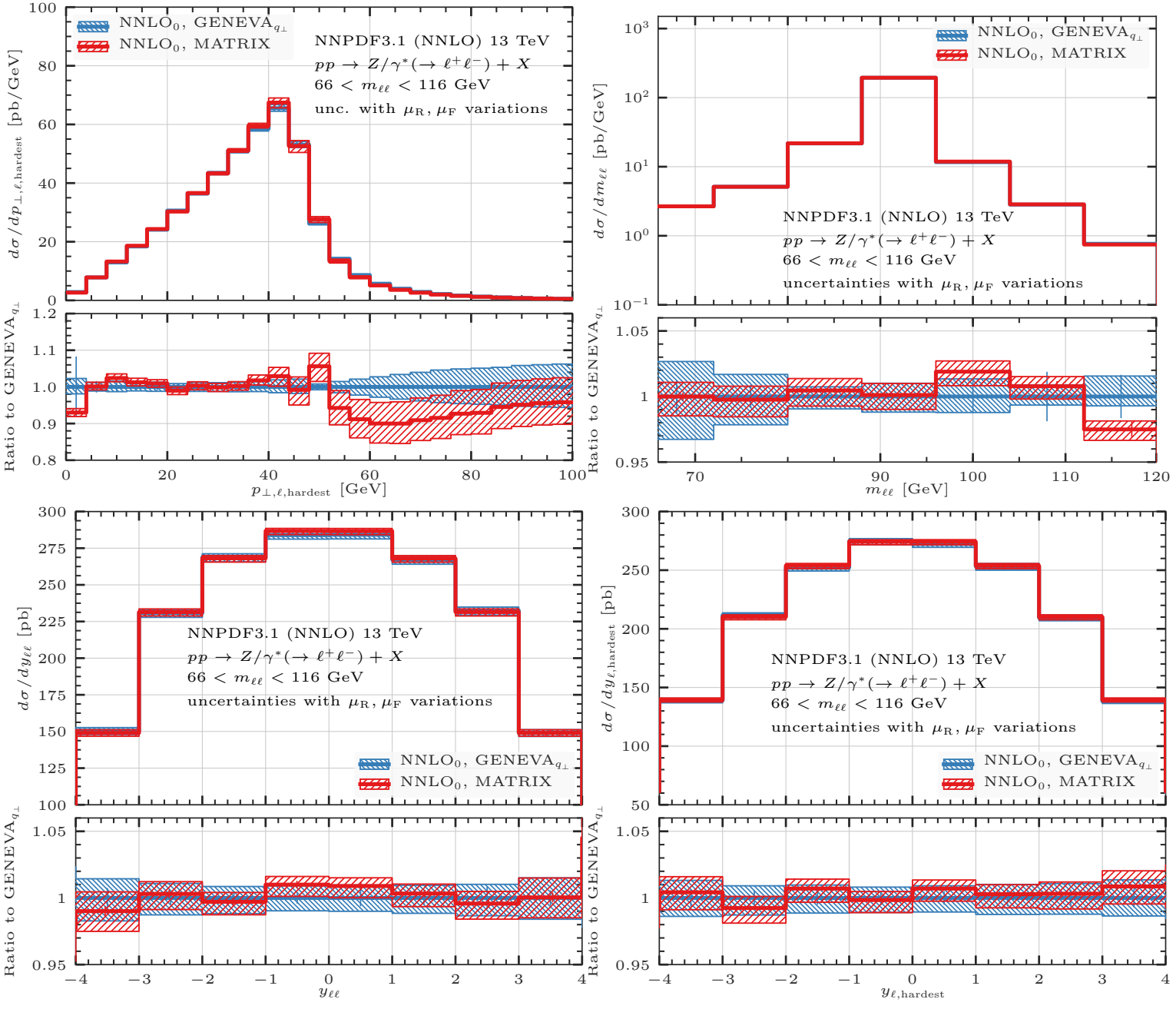

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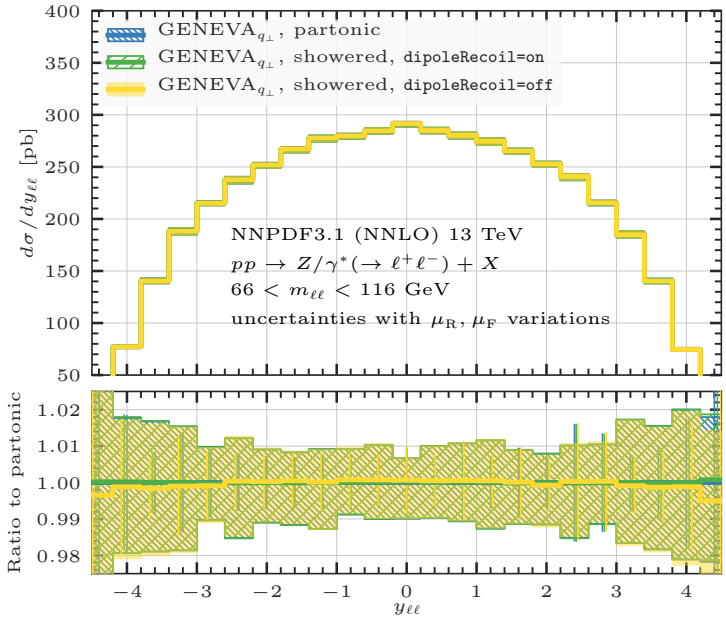

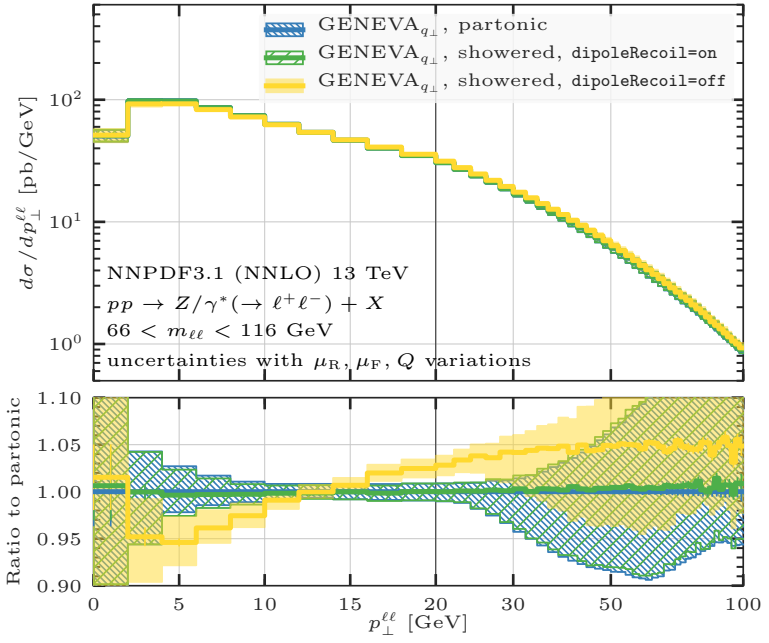

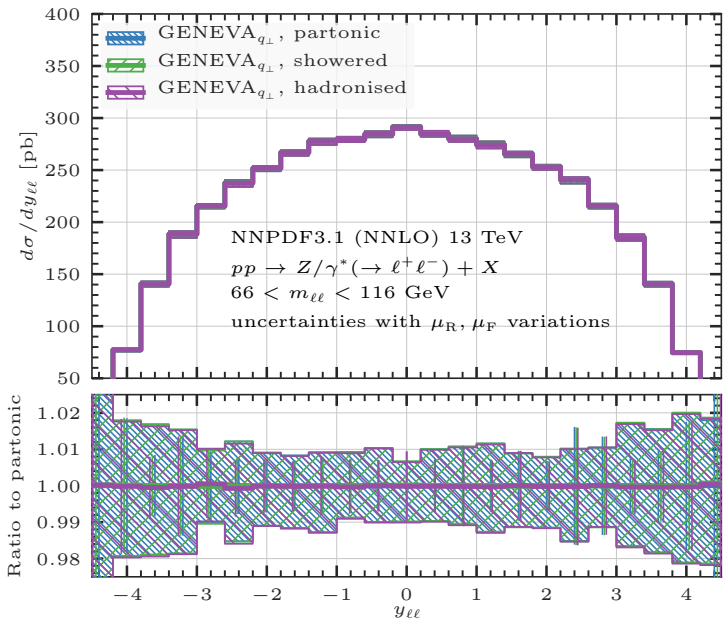

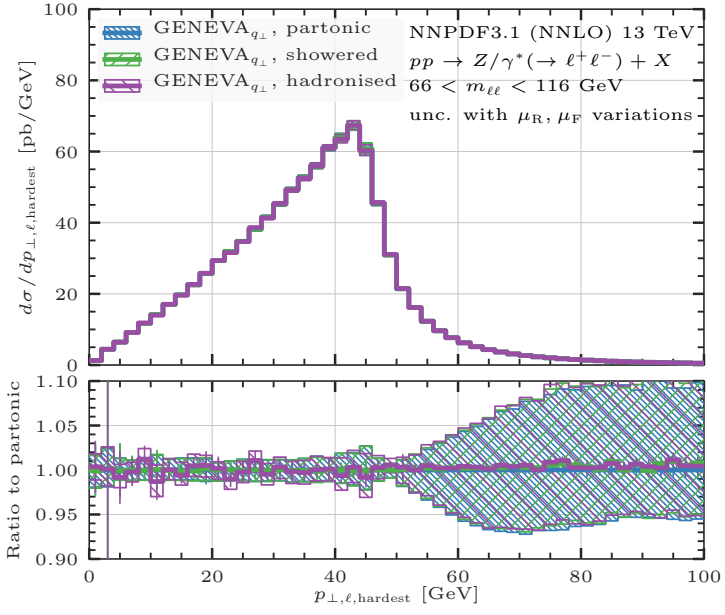

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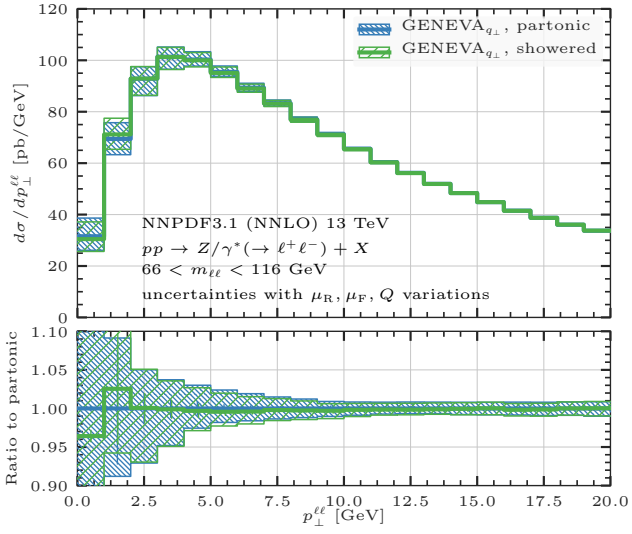
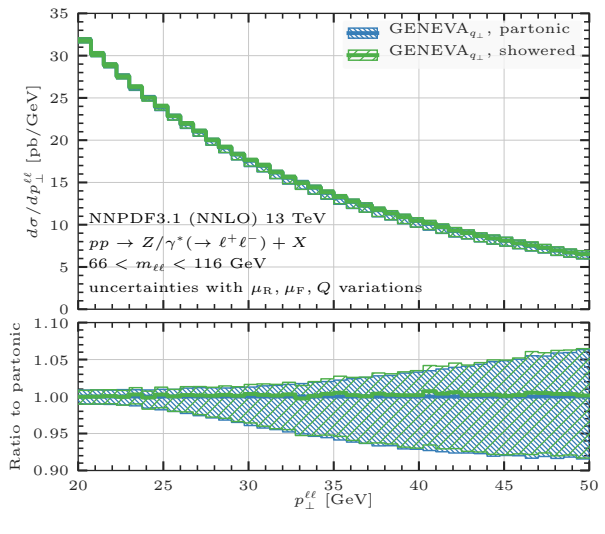
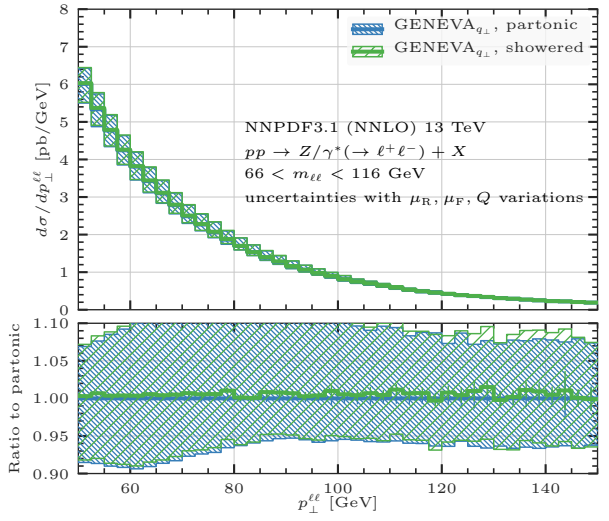
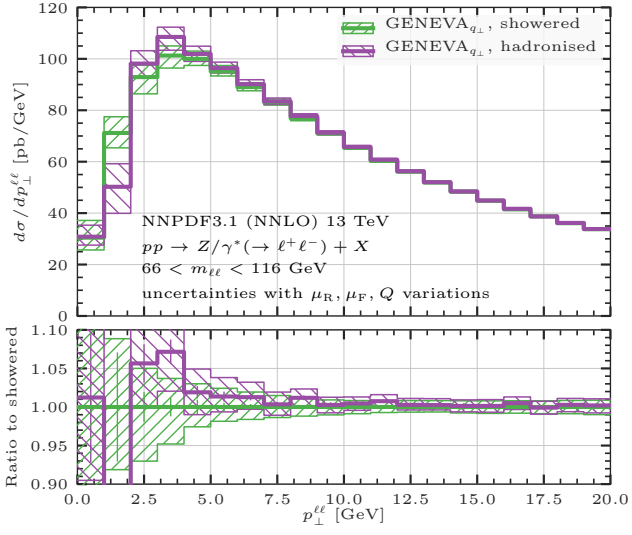
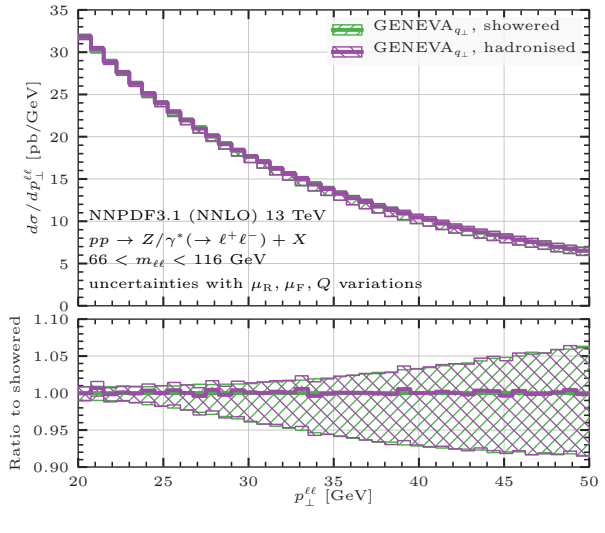
- Predictions for transverse momentum almost unchanged from parton-level to final hadronized events.

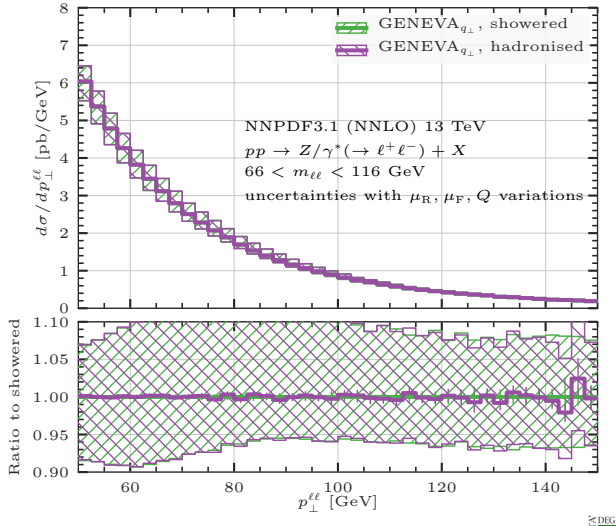






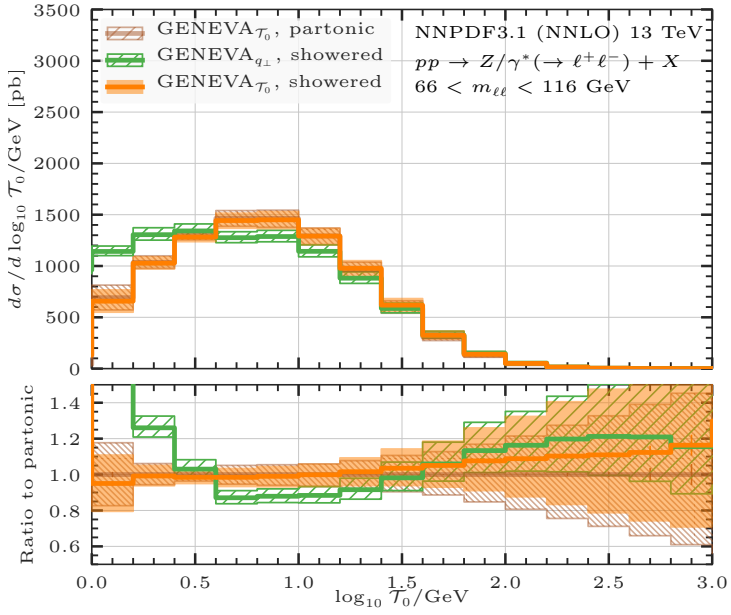


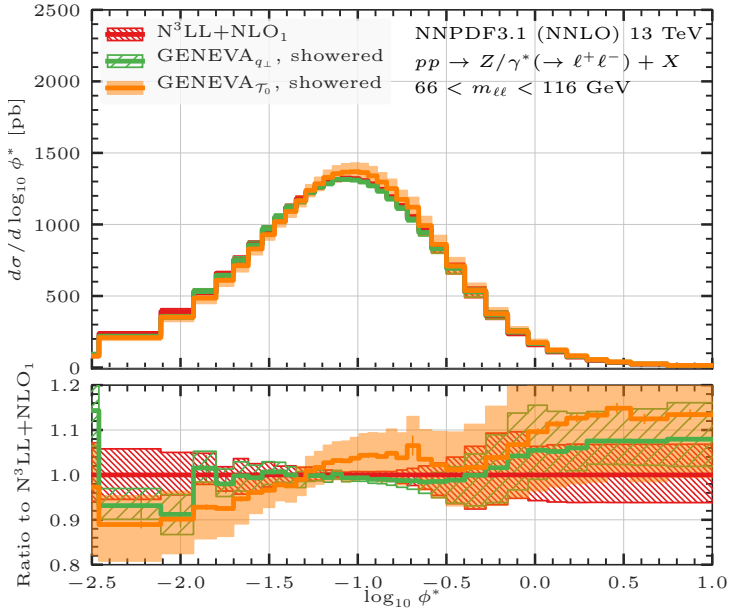


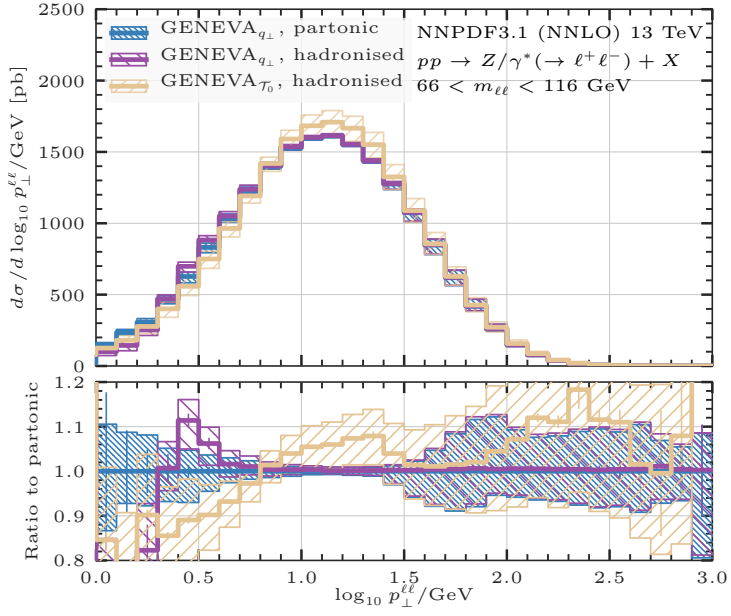


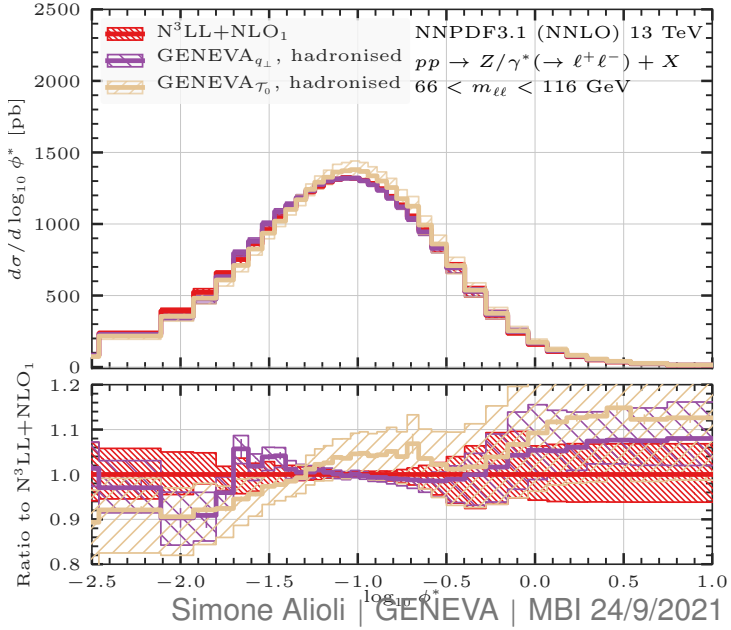
Drell-Yan comparing GENEVA$_{q_T}$ and GENEVA$_{\mathcal{T}_0}$

- Unique opportunity to study interplay between different higher-order resummations.



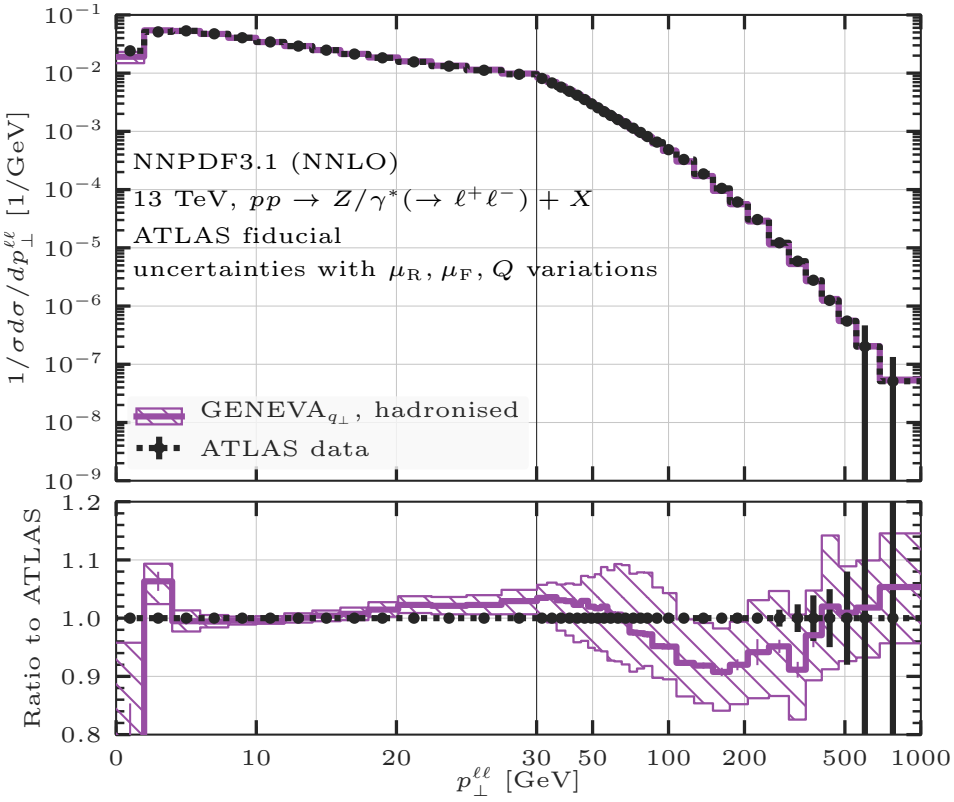


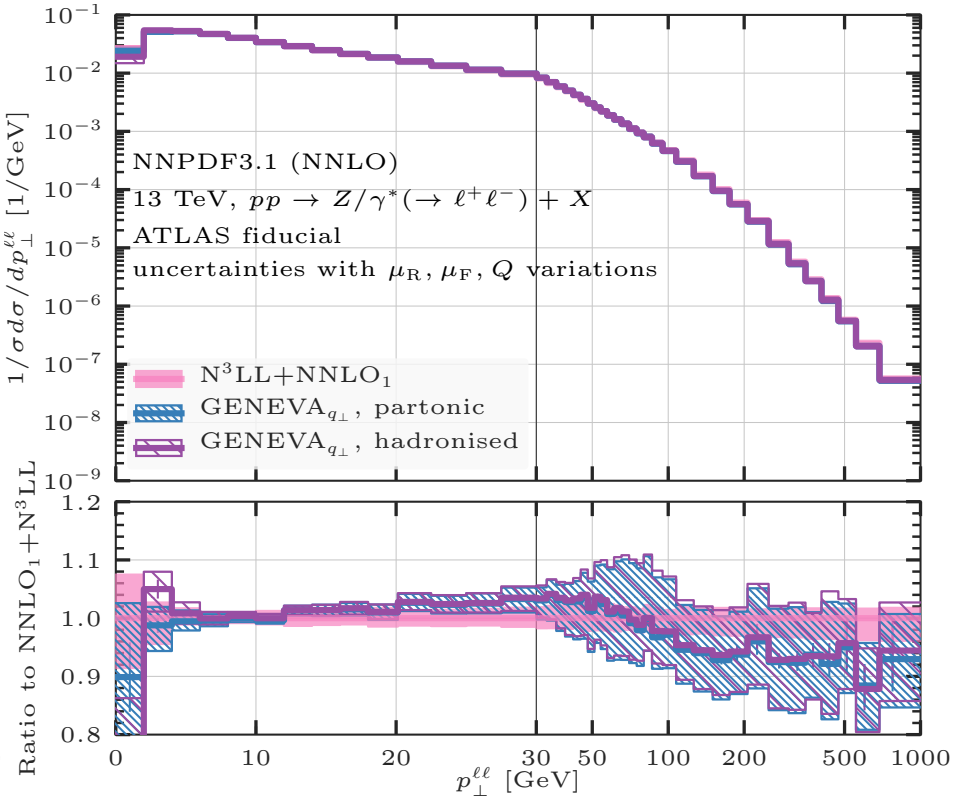




Comparison with data

- Agreement with precise LHC data vastly improved





- Small differences in transition region due to missing higher-order effects.
- The description of the ϕ^* spectrum shows a similar improvement.

Summary and Outlook

performs matching of NNLO calculations with higher-log resummation and parton showers.

- Higher-order resummation of resolution parameters provides a natural link between NNLO and PS.
- Provides theoretical perturbative uncertainties coming from both fixed-order and resummation on a event-by-event basis.
- Allows for realistic event simulation and interface to detectors.

Current status:

Several processes involving one or more bosons have been implemented

- $pp \to V$, $pp \to VH$, $pp \to \gamma\gamma$, $pp \to ZZ$ and $pp \to W\gamma$
- Others diboson processes in the pipeline, stay tuned..
- Usage of different resolution parameter (q_T) up via RadISH at N3LL now available.

Outlook:

- Extension to more complicated processes.
- Inclusion of EW corrections.
- Investigate formal accuracy of radiation-sensitive observables after showering.

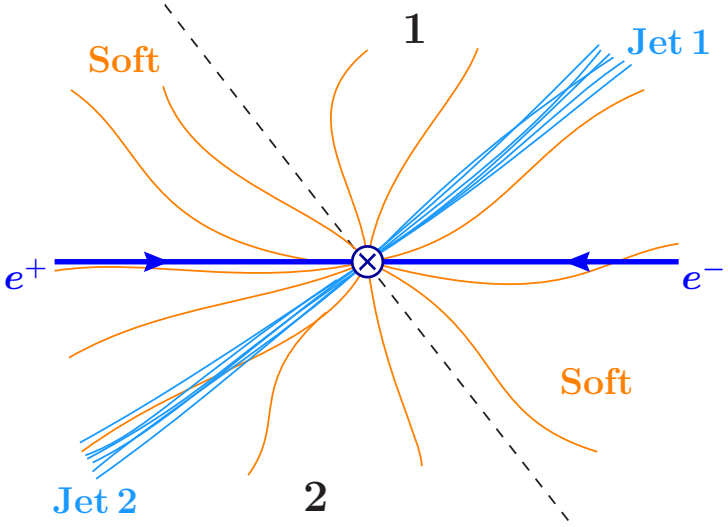
Thank you for your attention!

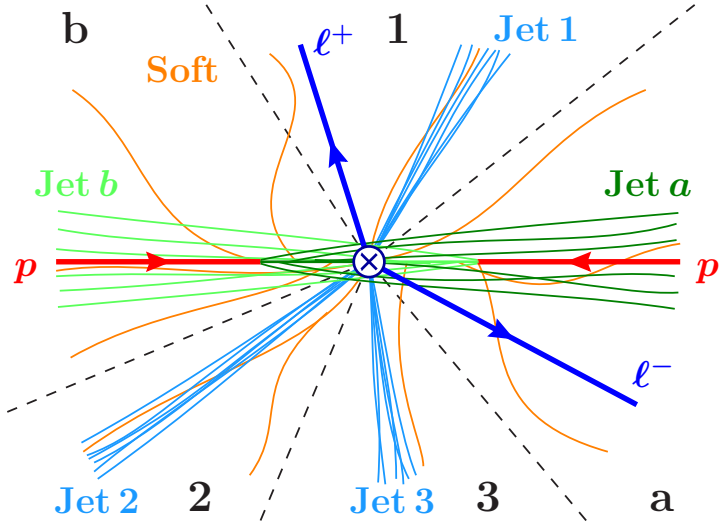
BACKUP

N-jettiness as jet-resolution variable

- N-jettiness is a good resolution parameter. Global physical observable with straightforward definitions for hadronic colliders, in terms of beams $q_{a,b}$ and jet-directions q_j

$$\mathcal{T}_N = \frac{2}{Q}\sum_k \min\{q_1 \cdot p_k, \ldots, q_N \cdot p_k\} \;\Rightarrow\; \mathcal{T}_N = \frac{2}{Q}\sum_k \min\{q_a \cdot p_k, q_b \cdot p_k, q_1 \cdot p_k, \ldots, q_N \cdot p_k\}$$





- N-jettiness has good factorization properties, IR safe and resummable at all orders. Resummation known at NNLL for any N in SCET [Stewart et al. 1004.2489, 1102.4344]
- $\mathcal{T}_N \to 0$ for N pencil-like jets, $\mathcal{T}_N \gg 0$ spherical limit.
- $\mathcal{T}_N < \mathcal{T}_N^{\text{cut}}$ limits the activity outside the jets

More details about the interface to PYTHIA8.

Each event multiplicity is treated differently:

Φ_0 events below $\mathcal{T}_0^{\text{cut}}$ ($\mathcal{O}(1\%)$ of total xsec)

- All events have $\mathcal{T}_0 = 0$. Here the shower should restore the emissions which were integrated over. Only constrain is on normalization, shape entirely given by PYTHIA.
- Events are showered starting from SCALUP $\sim \sqrt{Q\mathcal{T}_0^{\text{cut}}}$ and re-showered until $\mathcal{T}_0^{PY} < \mathcal{T}_0^{\text{cut}}$. Small 5% spillover allowed to avoid hard border.

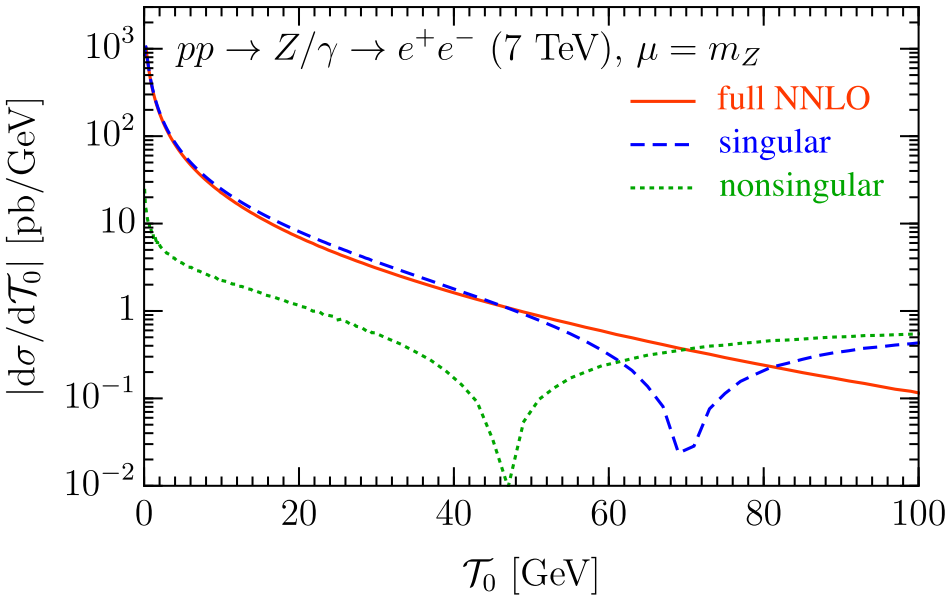
Φ_1 events made negligible by splitting down to $\Lambda_1 \lesssim 100$ MeV ($\mathcal{O}(0.1\%)$ of total xsec)

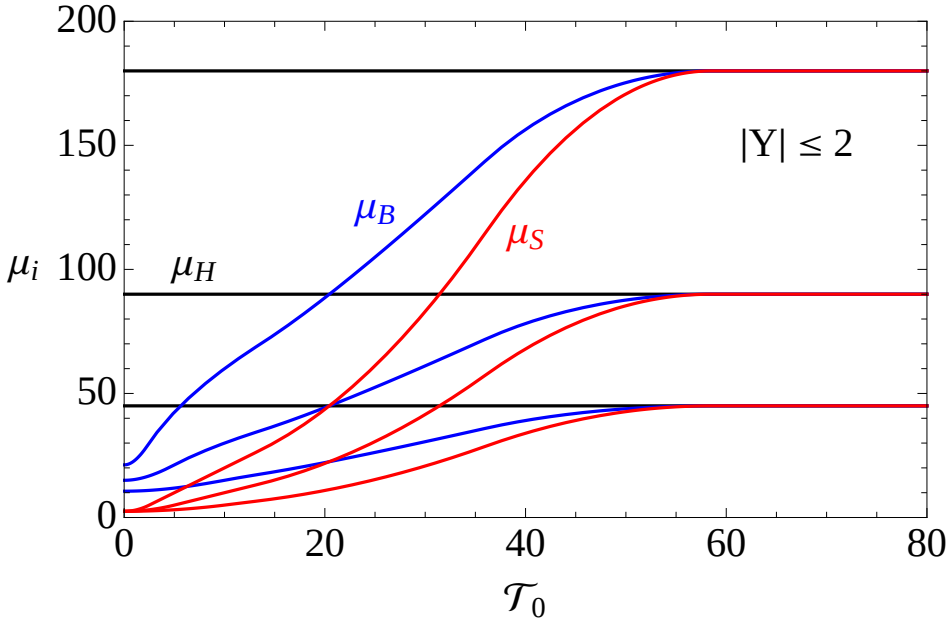
- Events have a non-zero value of $\mathcal{T}_0$ while $\mathcal{T}_1 = 0$.
- Showered starting from SCALUP $k_{T,max} \sim \sqrt{Q\mathcal{T}_1^{\text{cut}}}$ and re-showered until $\mathcal{T}_1^{PY} < \mathcal{T}_1^{\text{cut}}$.

Φ_2 events ($\mathcal{O}(99\%)$ of total xsec)

- Bulk of events, with nonzero values of $\mathcal{T}_0$ and $\mathcal{T}_1$
- Starting scale set to $k_{T,2nd} \sim \sqrt{Q\mathcal{T}_1}$, re-shower events until $\mathcal{T}_2^{PY} < \mathcal{T}_1$
- PYTHIA first emission can be shown to shift $\mathcal{T}_0$ distribution starting from order $\alpha_s^3/\mathcal{T}_0$ on average (term beyond NNLL')

Scale profiles and theoretical uncertainties





- Theoretical uncertainties in resum. are evaluated by independently varying each μ.
- Range of variations is tuned to turn off the resummation before the nonsingular dominates and to respect SCET scaling $\mu_H \gtrsim \mu_B \gtrsim \mu_S$
- FO unc. are usual $\{2\mu_H, \mu_H/2\}$ variations.
- Final results added in quadrature.

$$\mu_H = \mu_{\rm FO} = M_{\ell^+\ell^-}\,,$$
$$\mu_S(\mathcal{T}_0) = \mu_{\rm FO} f_{\rm run}(\mathcal{T}_0/Q)\,,$$
$$\mu_B(\mathcal{T}_0) = \mu_{\rm FO}\sqrt{f_{\rm run}(\mathcal{T}_0/Q)}$$

- $f_{\rm run}(x)$ common profile function: strict canonical scaling $x \to 0$ and switches off resummation $x \sim 1$

Scale profiles that preserve the total cross-section

- Different advantages in resumming the cumulant (better cross-section and correlated unc.) or the spectrum (better profiles in trans and tail region and better point-by-point unc.)
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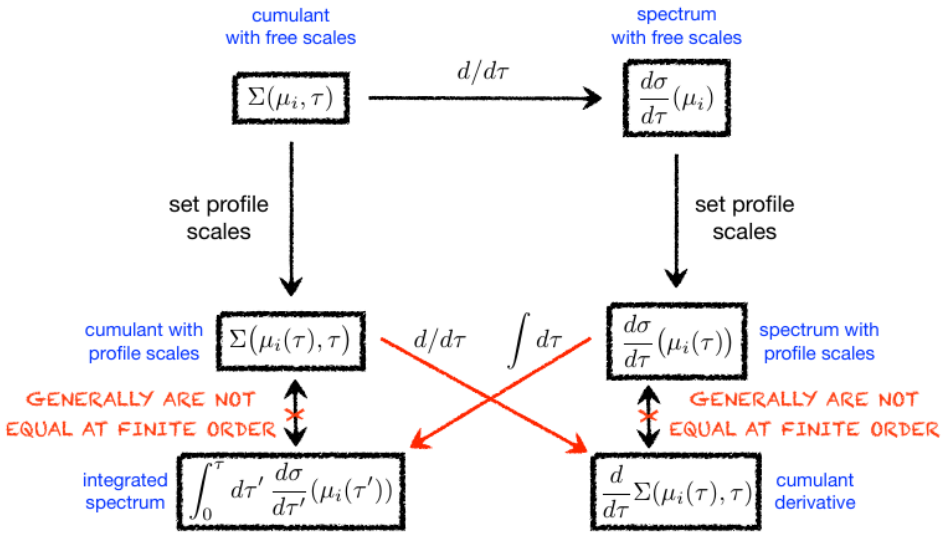

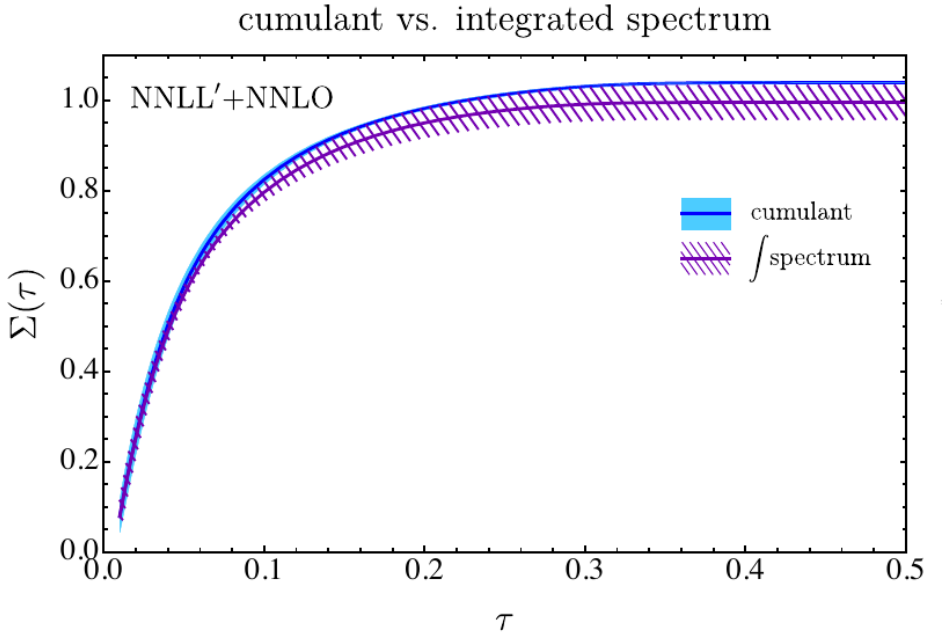

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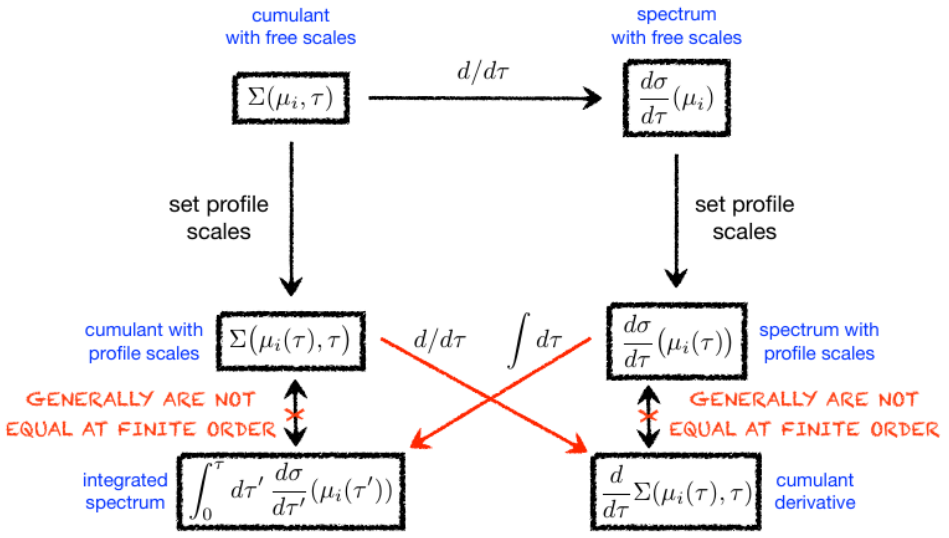
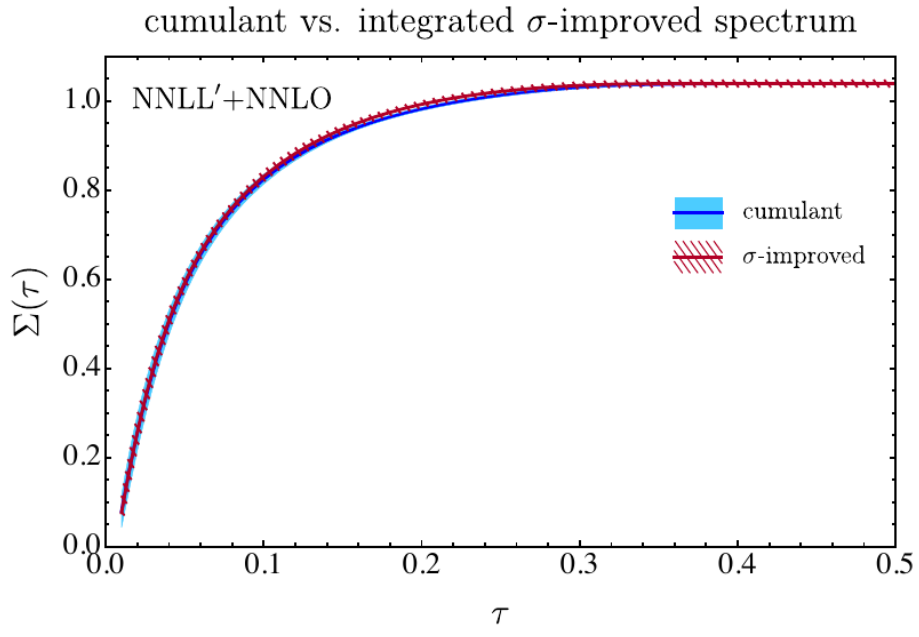




NNLO accuracy in GENEVA: nonsingular rescaling

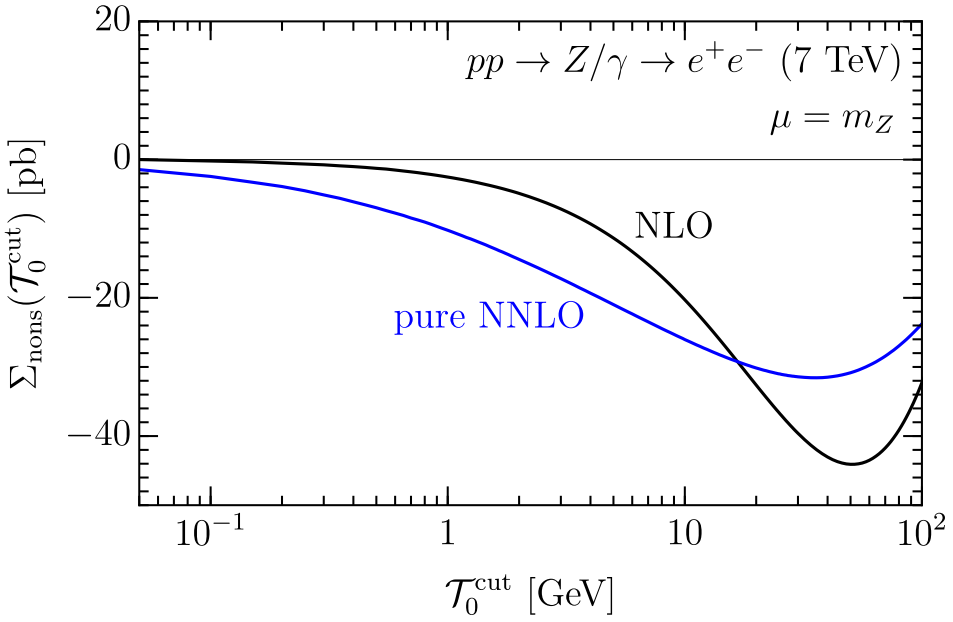
- Resum. expanded result in $\mathrm{d}\sigma^{\mathrm{nons}}_{\geq 1}/\mathrm{d}\Phi_1$ acts as a differential NNLO $\mathcal{T}_0$-subtraction

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma^{\mathrm{NLO}_1}_{\geq 1}}{\mathrm{d}\Phi_1} - \left[\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma^{\mathrm{NNLL}'}}{\mathrm{d}\Phi_0 \mathrm{d}\mathcal{T}_0}\,\mathcal{P}(\Phi_1)\right]_{\mathrm{NLO}_1}$$

- Nonlocal cancellation in Φ_1, after averaging over $\mathrm{d}\Phi_1/\mathrm{d}\Phi_0\mathrm{d}\mathcal{T}_0$ gives finite result.
- To be local in $\mathcal{T}_0$ has to reproduce the right singular $\mathcal{T}_0$-dependence when projected onto $\mathrm{d}\mathcal{T}_0\mathrm{d}\Phi_0$.

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma^{\mathrm{nons}}_0}{\mathrm{d}\Phi_0}(\mathcal{T}_0^{\mathrm{cut}}) = \big[\alpha_s f_1(\mathcal{T}_0^{\mathrm{cut}},\Phi_0) + \alpha_s^2 f_2(\mathcal{T}_0^{\mathrm{cut}},\Phi_0)\big]\mathcal{T}_0^{\mathrm{cut}}$$

$$\Sigma_{\mathrm{nons}}(\mathcal{T}_0^{\mathrm{cut}}) = \int \mathrm{d}\Phi_0\, \frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma^{\mathrm{nons}}_0}{\mathrm{d}\Phi_0}(\mathcal{T}_0^{\mathrm{cut}})$$



- At $\mathcal{T}_0^{\mathrm{cut}} = 1\,\mathrm{GeV}$ gives $\sim 1\%$ xsec. Small but not negligible, can be lowered further. Tradeoff with speed/stability.

- $f_1(\Phi_0, \mathcal{T}_0^{\mathrm{cut}})$ included exactly by doing NLO_0 on-the-fly.
- For pure NNLO_0, we currently neglect the Φ_0 dependence below $\mathcal{T}_0^{\mathrm{cut}}$ and include total integral via simple rescaling of $\mathrm{d}\sigma_0^{\mathrm{MC}}/\mathrm{d}\Phi_0(\mathcal{T}_0^{\mathrm{cut}})$.