

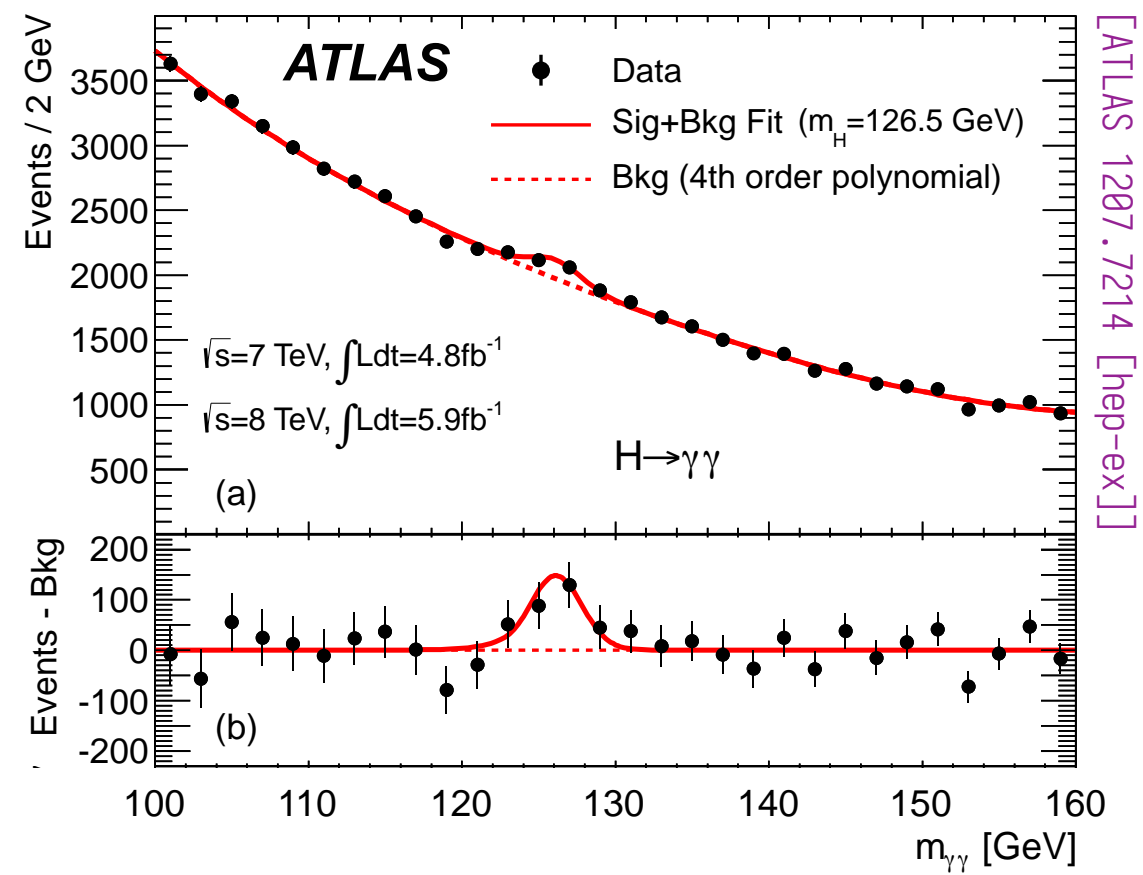
# RECENT PROGRESS IN PRECISION CALCULATIONS

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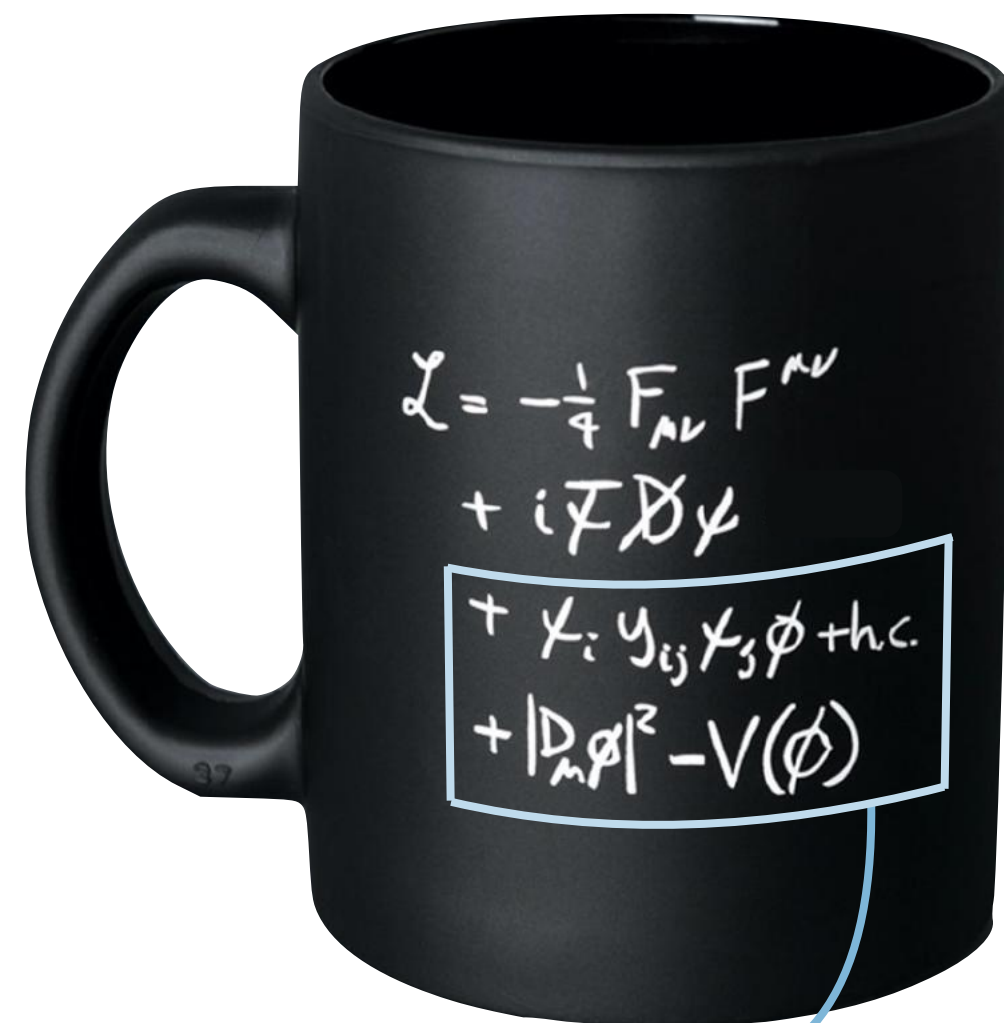


# THE HIGGS @ LHC

2012



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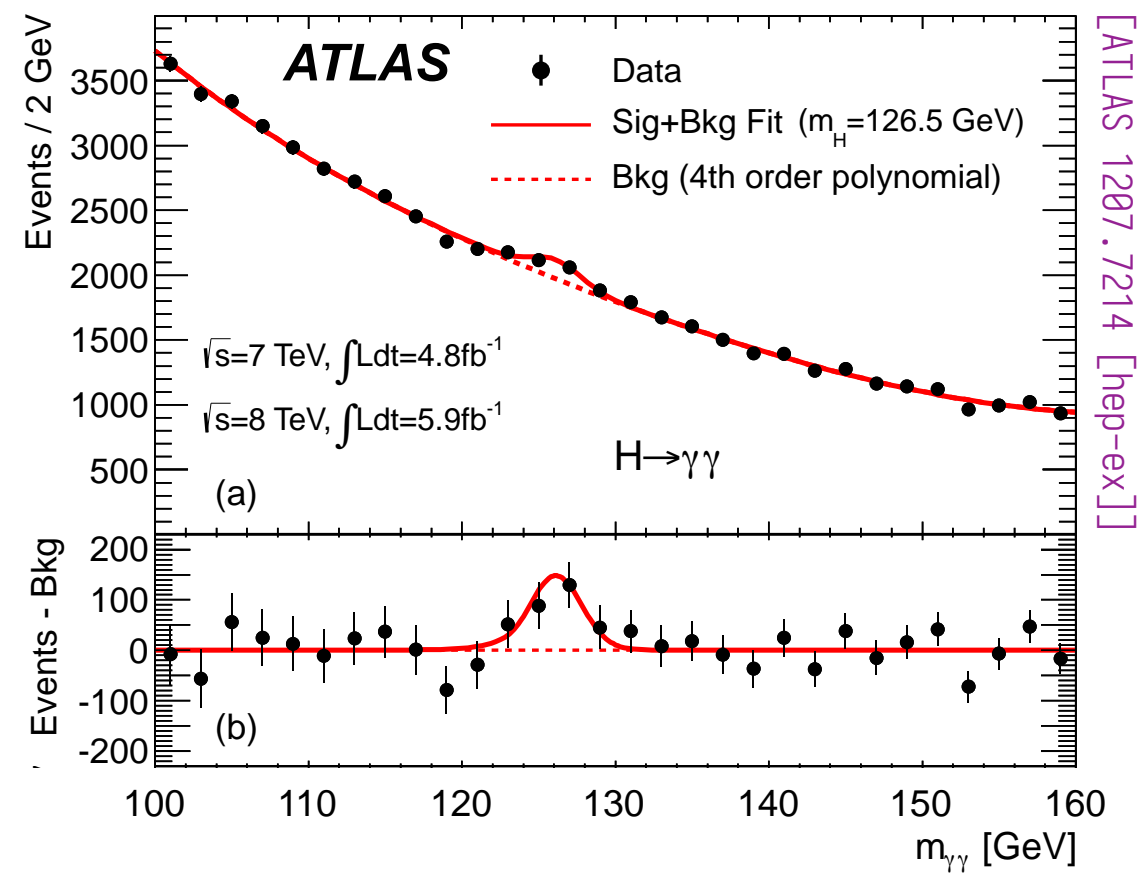


Only 10 years old!

- is it really the SM Higgs?
- what is the potential  $V(\phi)$ ?
- establish Yukawa's  $Y_{ij}$
- ...

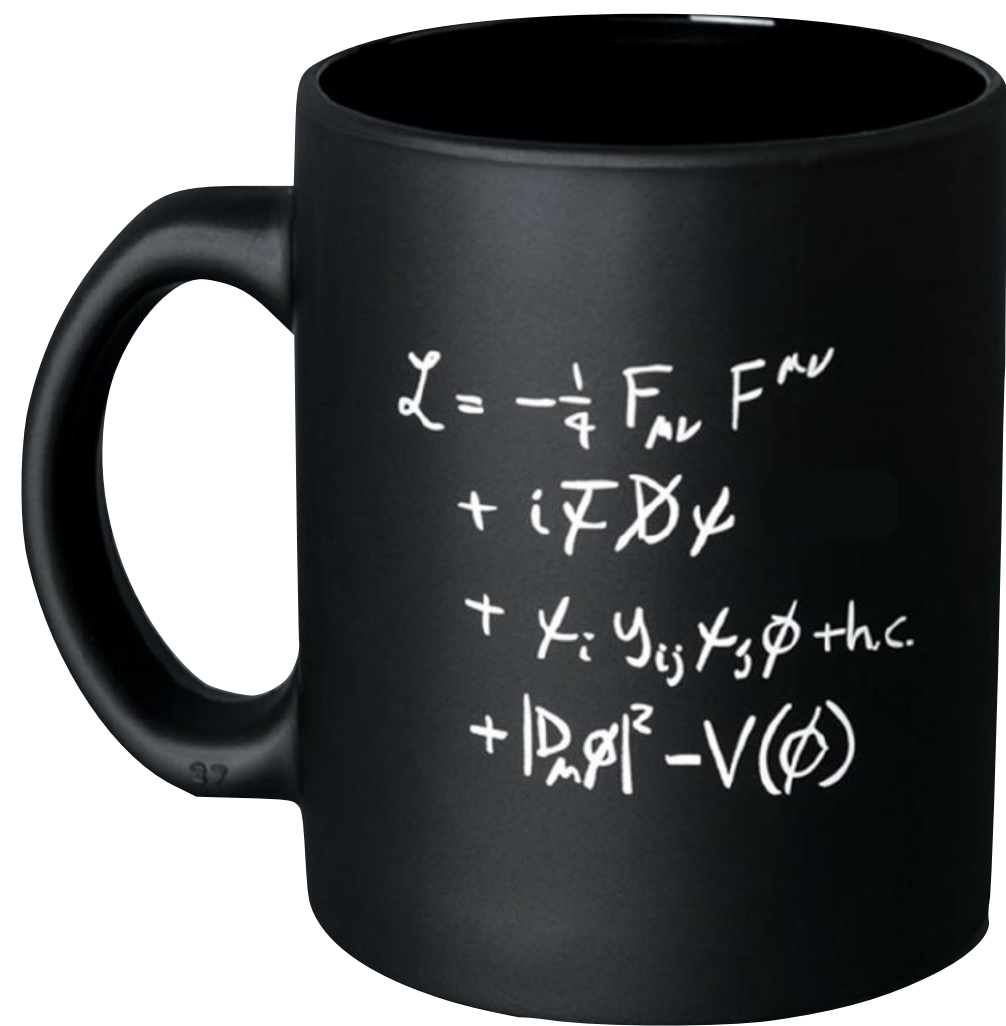
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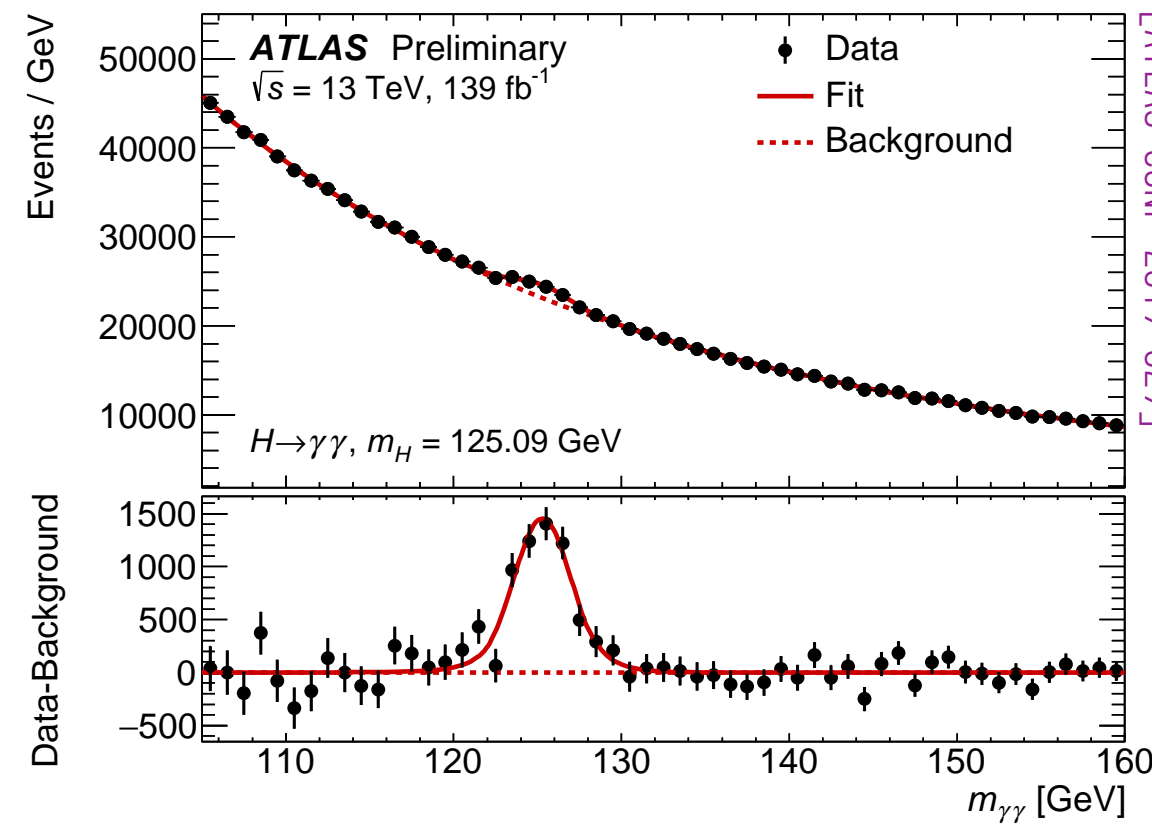


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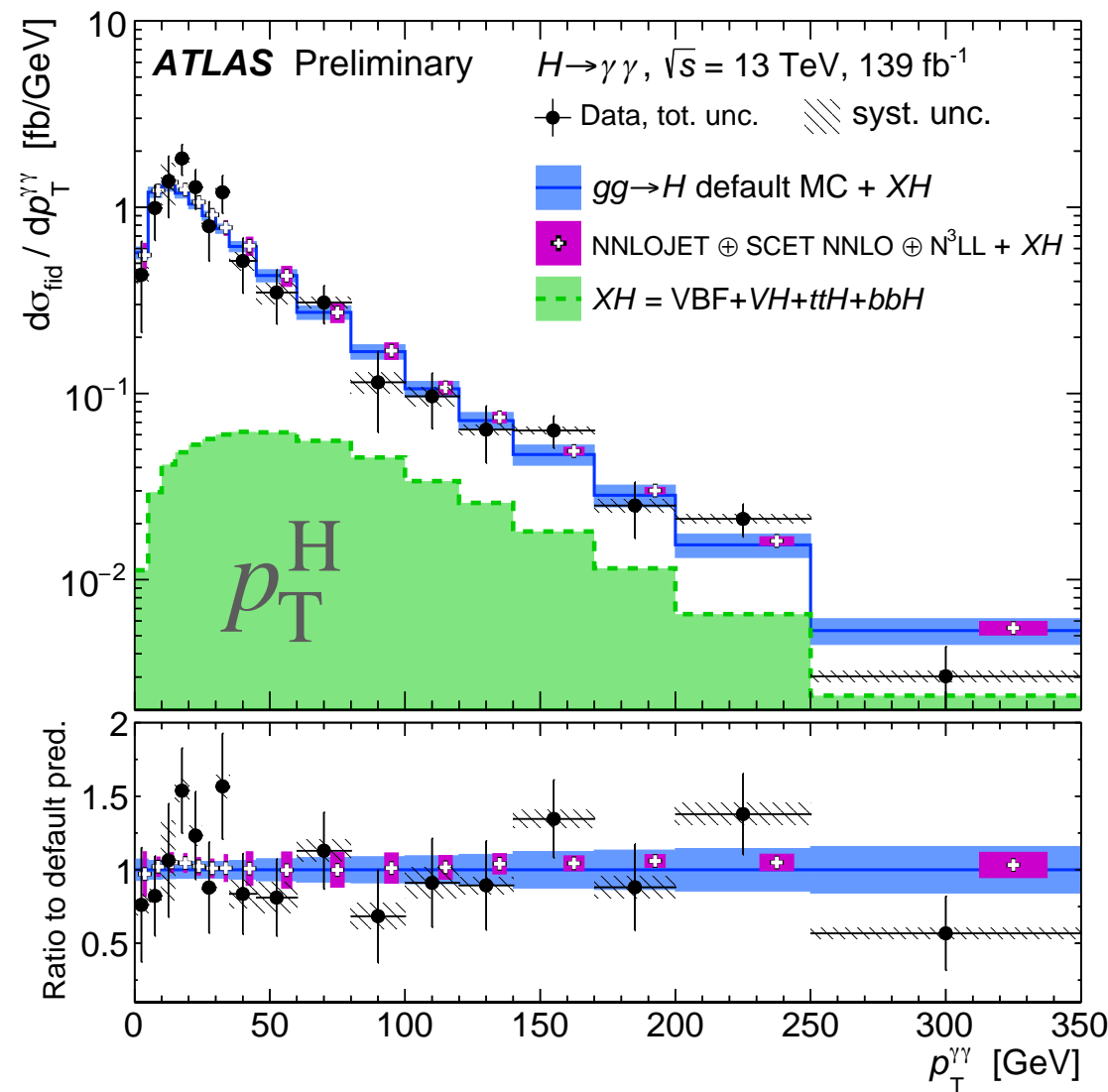
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Today



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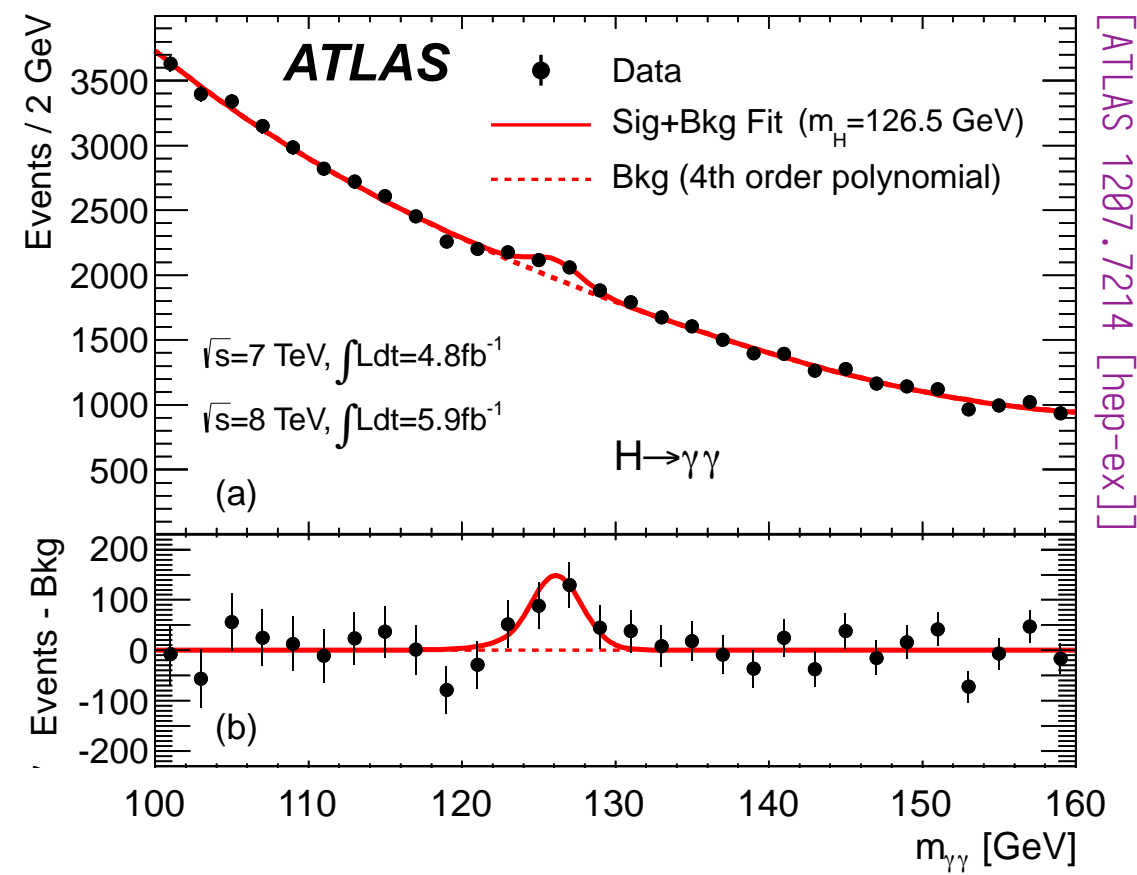


Higgs for precision pheno!

- ⦿ signal strengths
  - ↔ differential spectra
- ⦿ Higgs properties (couplings, potential, ...)
- ⦿ ...

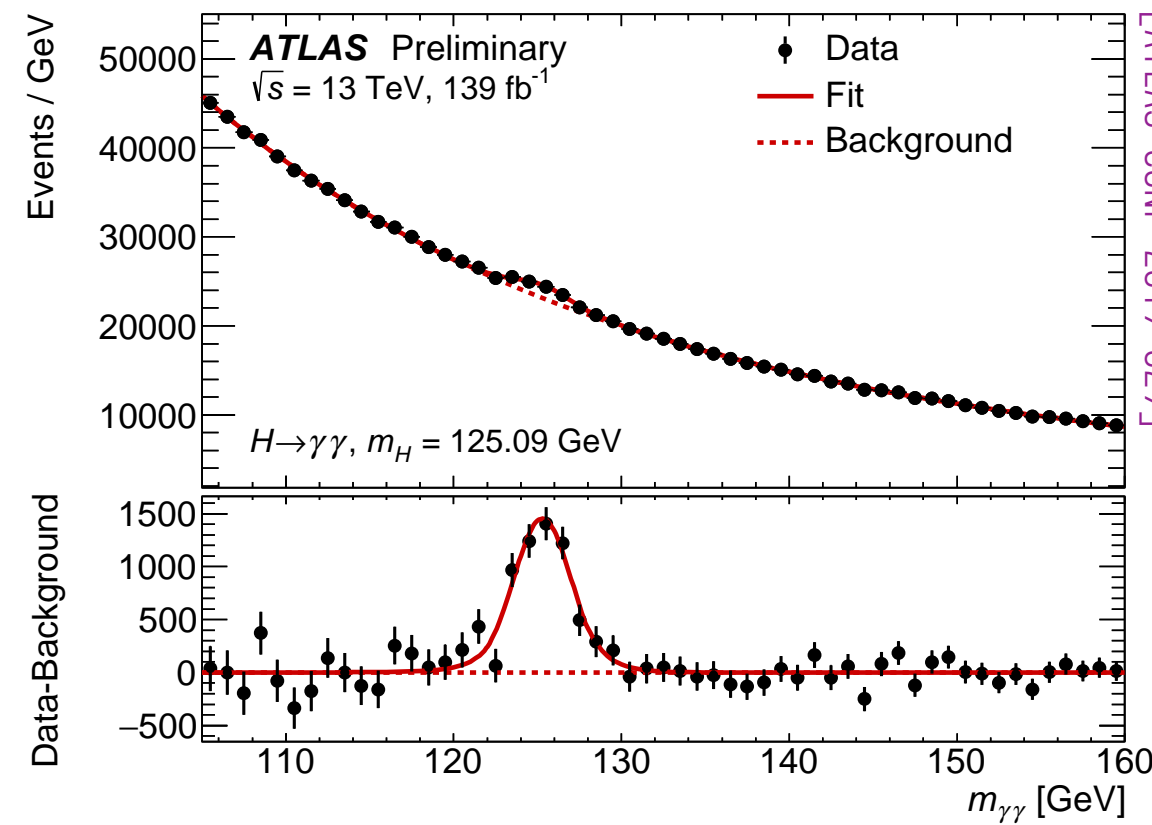
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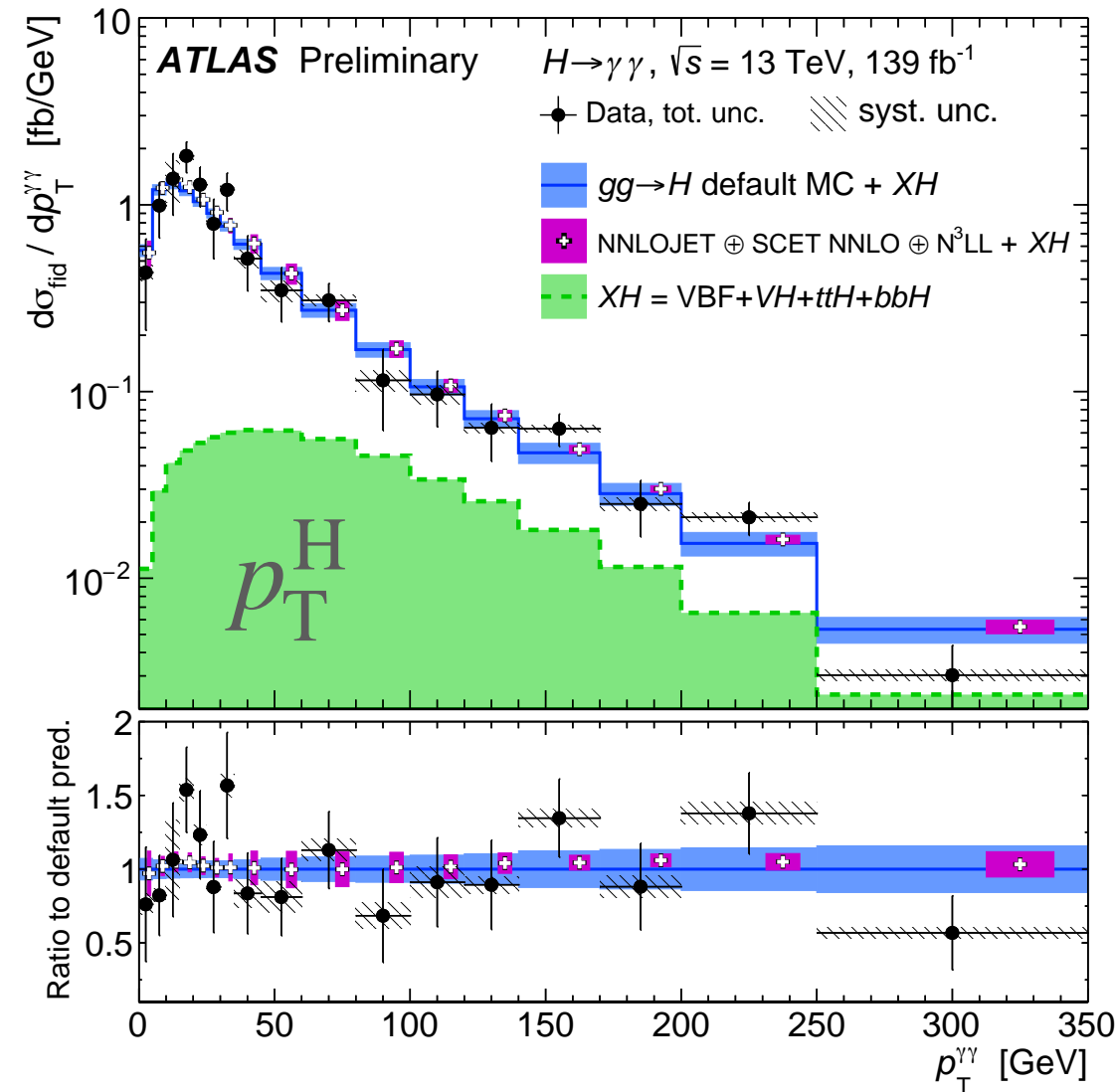
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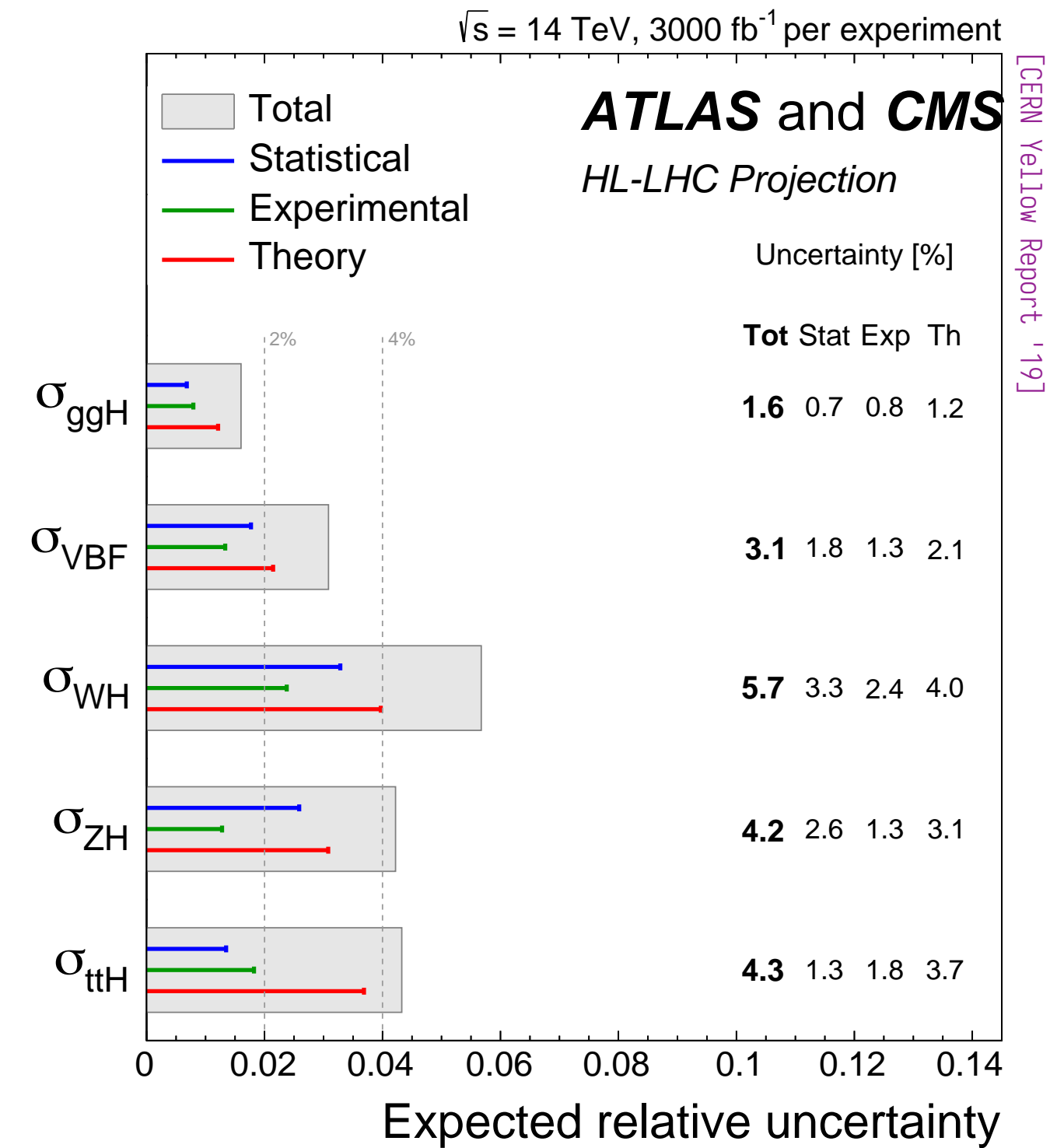
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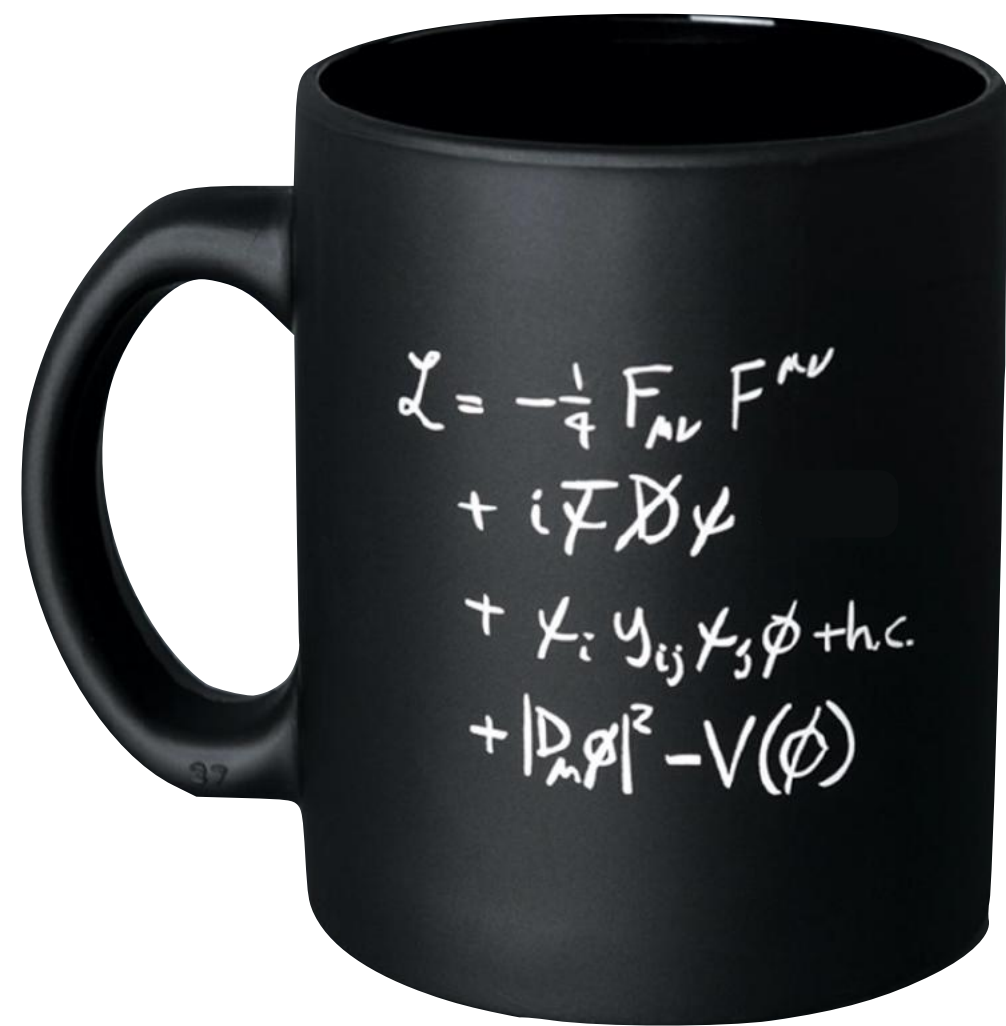
+20 years

HL-LHC ( $3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )



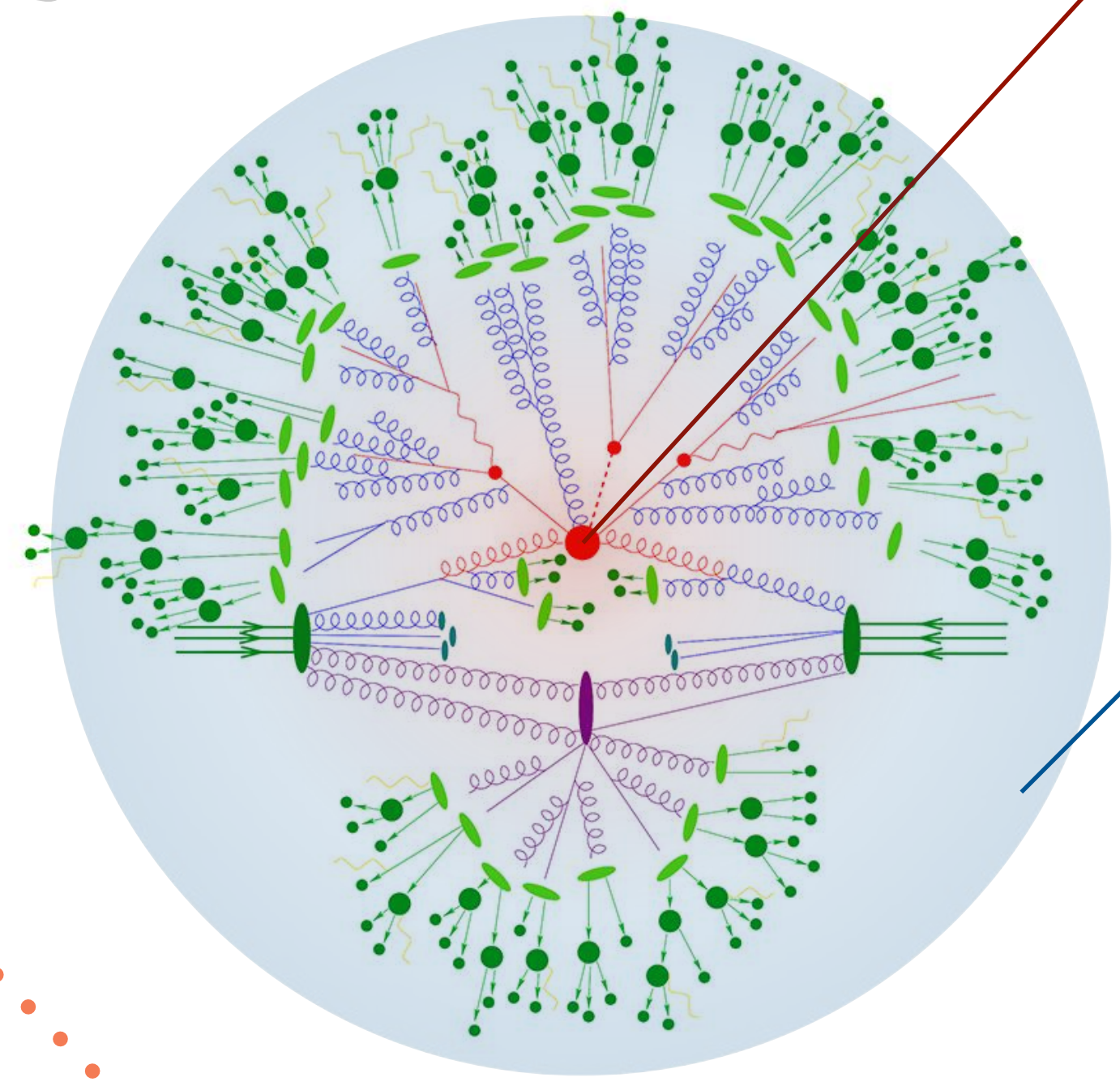
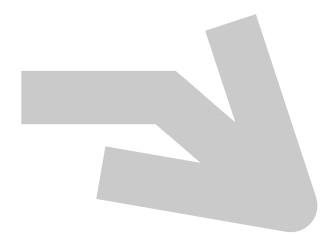
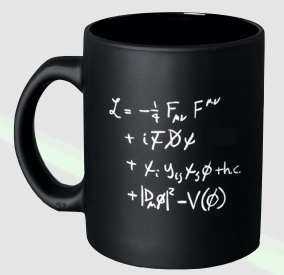
[CERN Yellow Report '19]

theory uncertainties scaled down by factor 2!





HOW DO WE PREDICT THIS FROM THEORY?



Short distance "hard"

high scales:  $10^2 - 10^3$  GeV

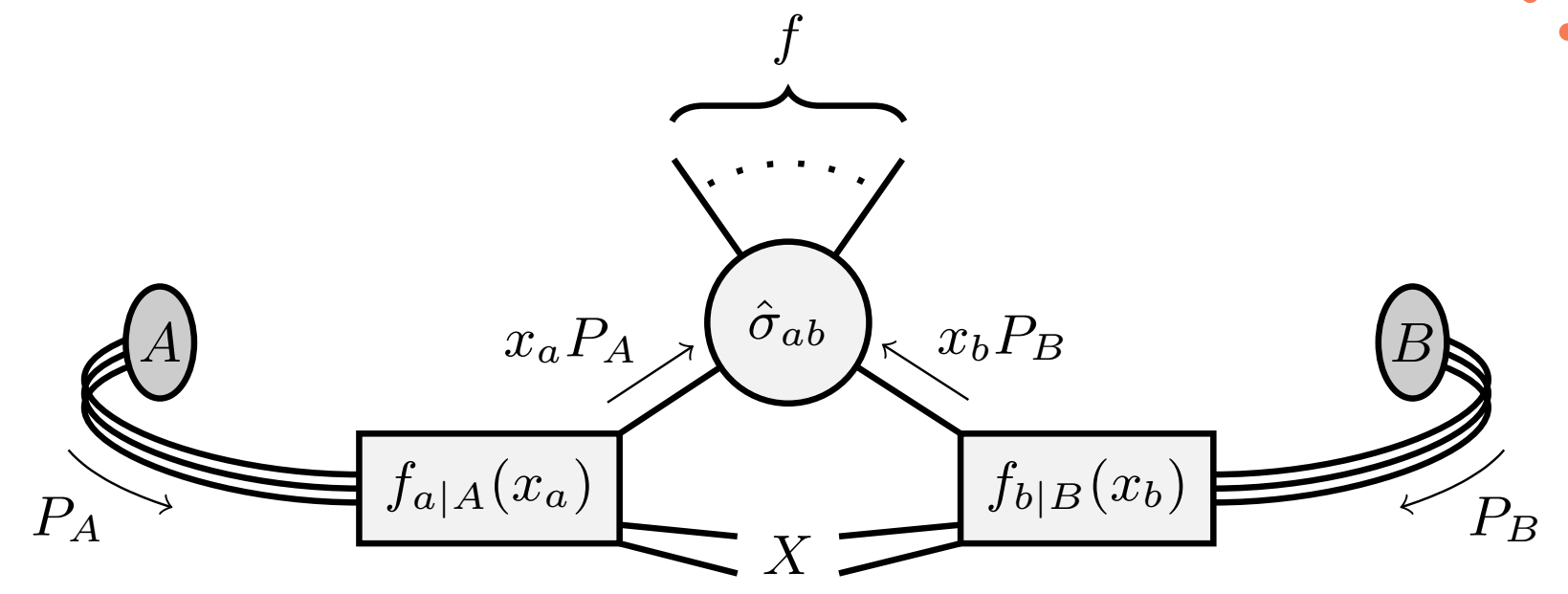


evolution towards a physical observable state

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low scales:  $\mathcal{O}(\text{few GeV})$

*S. Plätzer & F. Siegert*

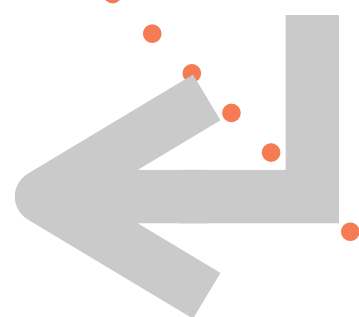


$$\sigma_{AB} = \sum_{ab} \int_0^1 dx_a \int_0^1 dx_b f_{a|A}(x_a) f_{b|B}(x_b) \hat{\sigma}_{ab}(x_a, x_b) (1 + \mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}/Q))$$

parton distribution functions (PDFs)  
(non-perturbative, universal)

hard scattering  
(perturbation theory)

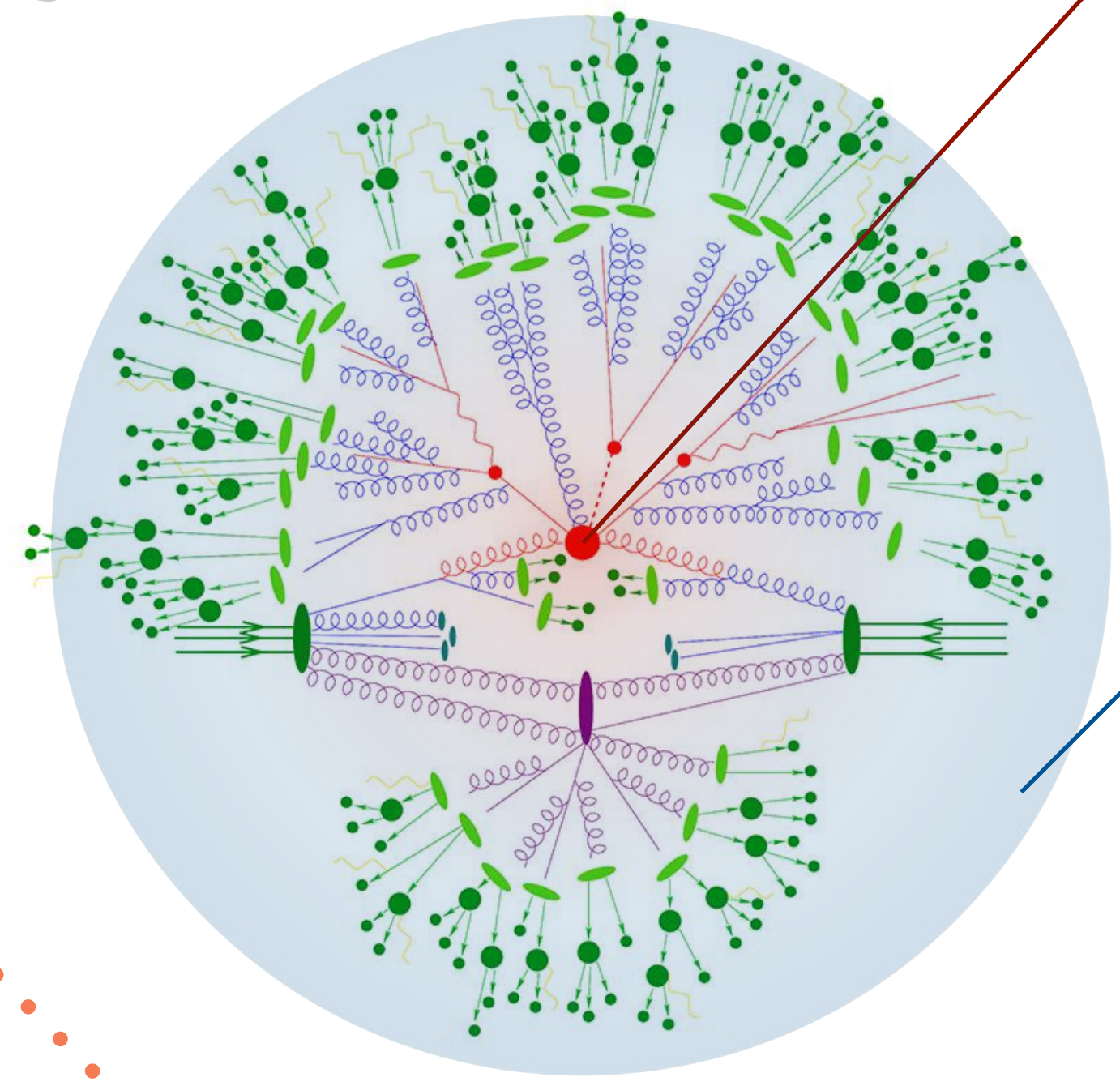
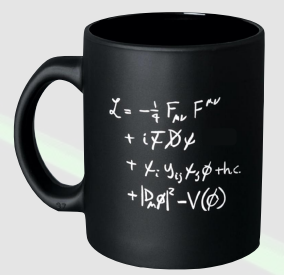
non-perturbative effects  
(power suppressed)



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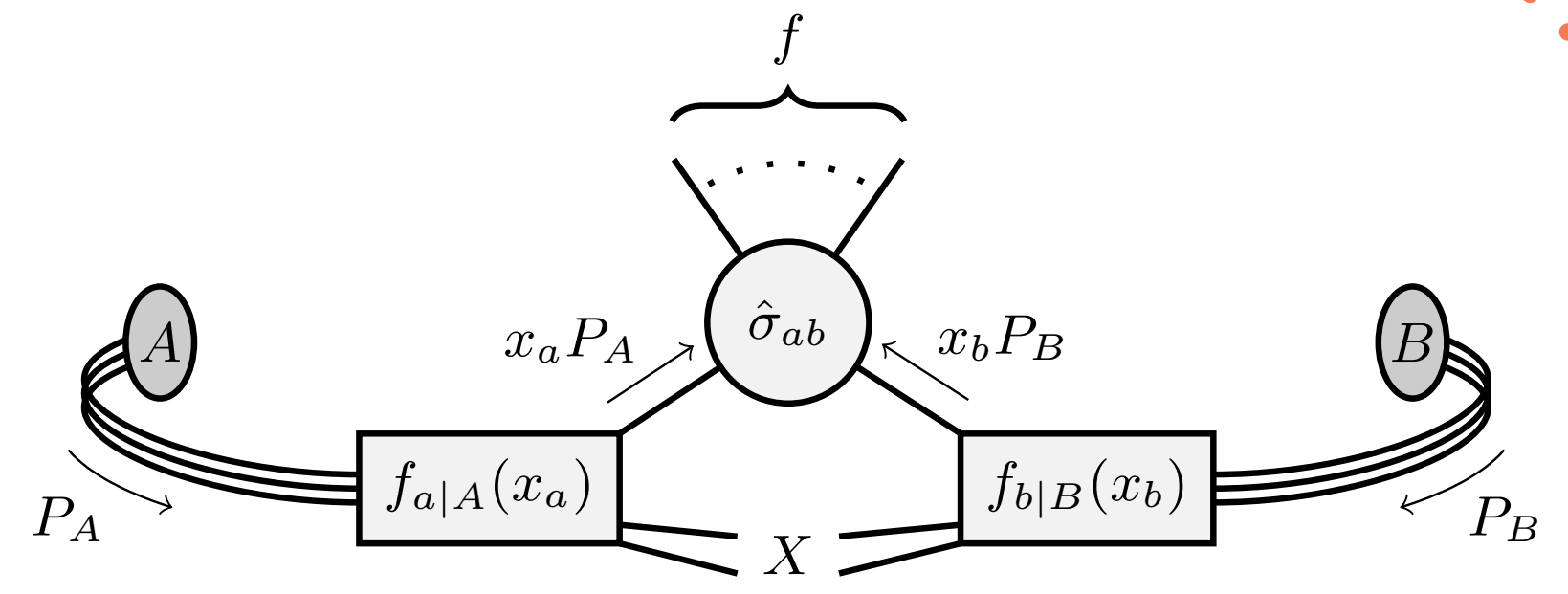


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$$\sigma = \sigma_0 \times (1 + \alpha_s + \alpha_s^2 + \alpha_s^3 + \dots)$$

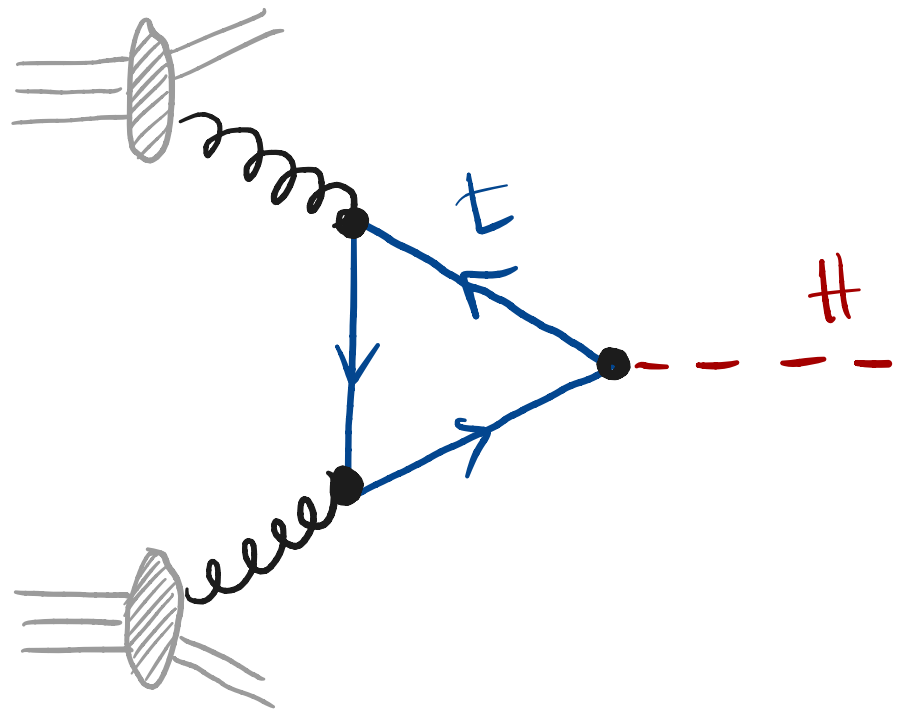
fixed order: LO NLO NNLO N<sup>3</sup>LO ...

$$\sigma = \sigma_0 \cdot \exp(\alpha_s^n L^{n+1} + \alpha_s^n L^n + \alpha_s^n L^{n-1} + \dots)$$

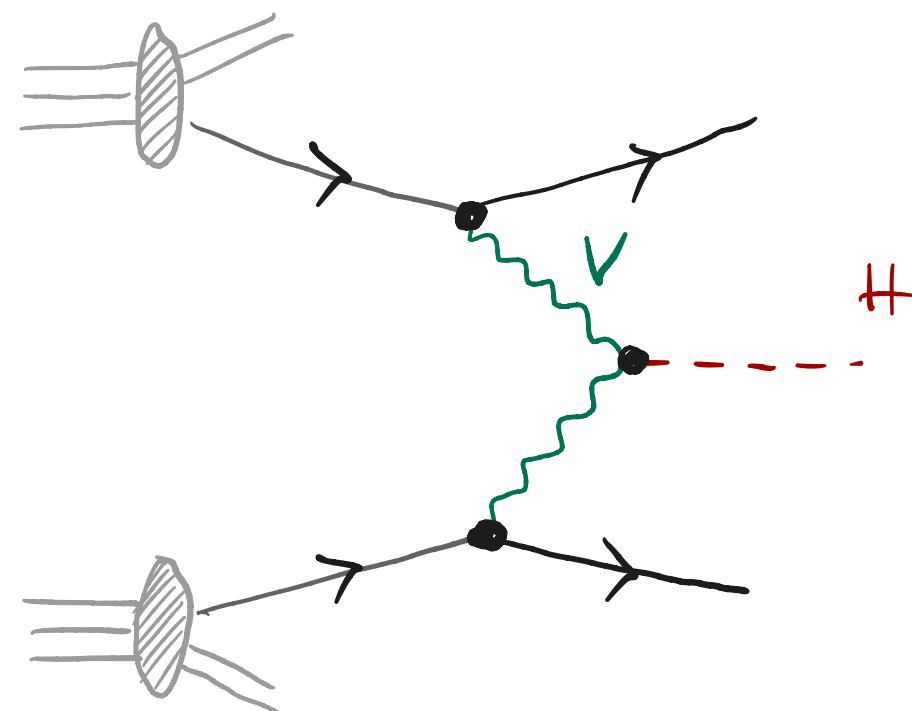
resummation: LL NLL NNLL ...

# WHERE DO WE STAND?

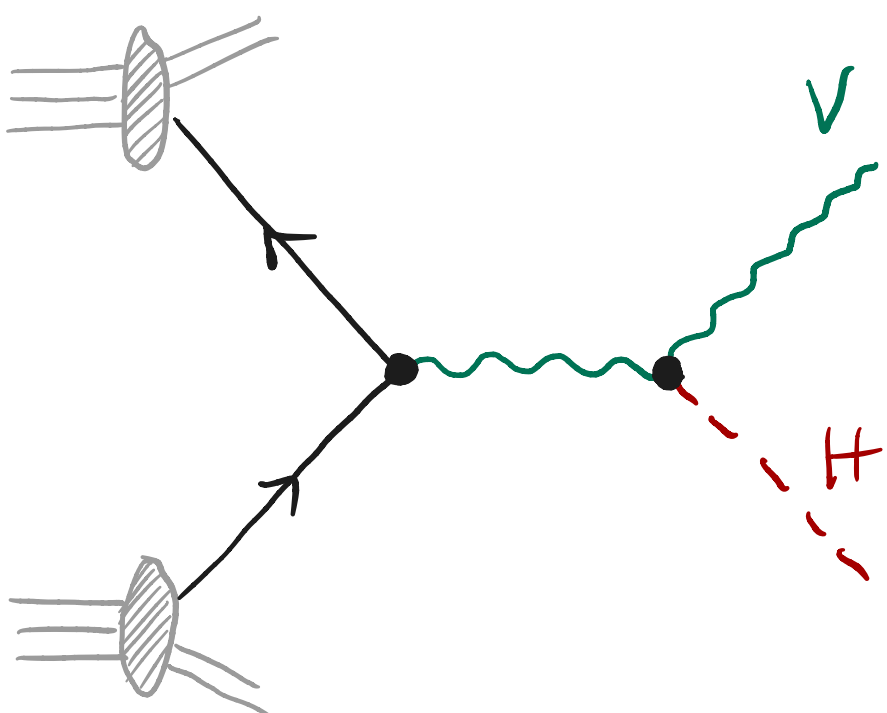
**ggF** ( $\sim 88.2\%$ )



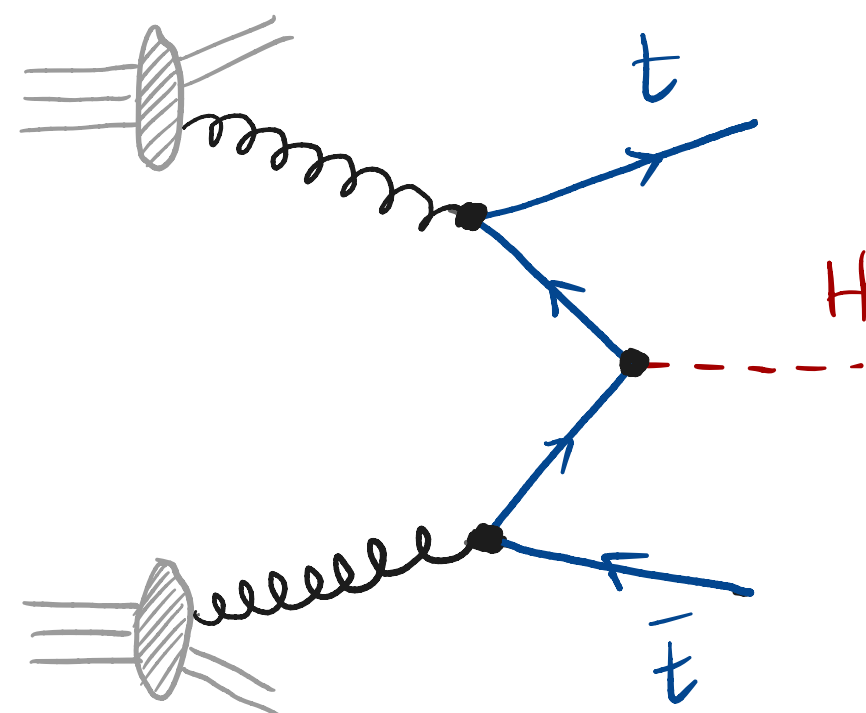
**VBF** ( $\sim 6.8\%$ )



**VH** ( $\sim 4.1\%$ )



**ttH** ( $\sim 0.9\%$ )



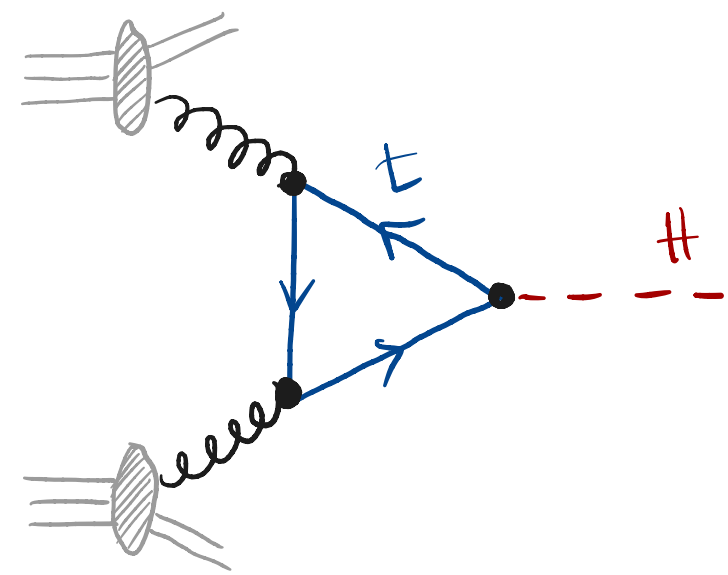
Unprecedented level of sophistication:

- inclusive production @  $N^3\text{NLO}_{\text{QCD}}$   
 & differential @  $\text{NNLO}_{\text{QCD}}$  ( $\neg t\bar{t}H$ )  
 +  $\text{NLO}_{\text{EW}}$
- all decay channels @ (at least)  
 $\text{NNLO}_{\text{QCD}}$  +  $\text{NLO}_{\text{EW}}$
- in association with jets:  
 $\text{NLO}_{\text{QCD}}$  + PS

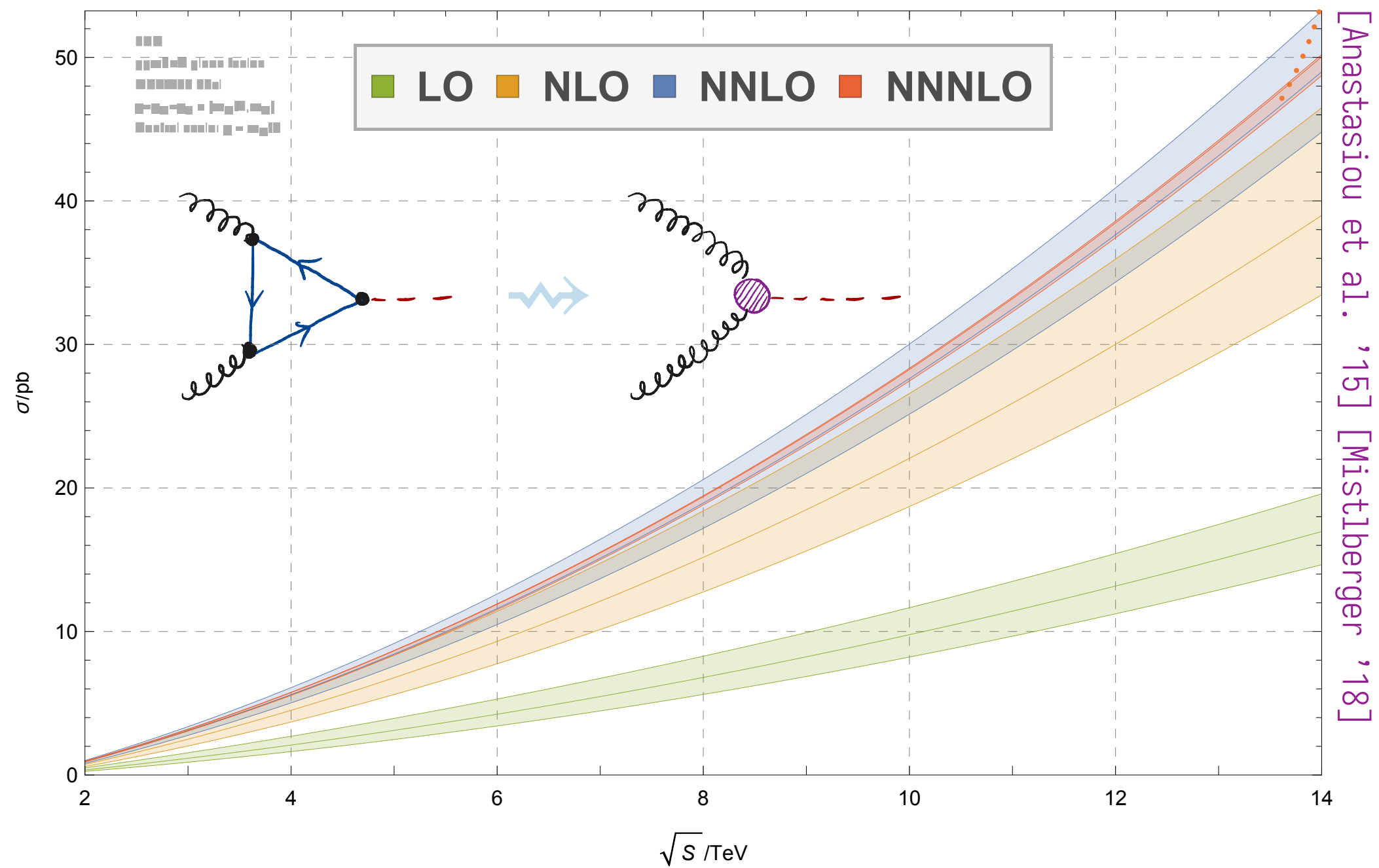
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$b\bar{b} \rightarrow H$  @  $N^3\text{LO}$  [Duhr, Dulat, Mistlberger '19]

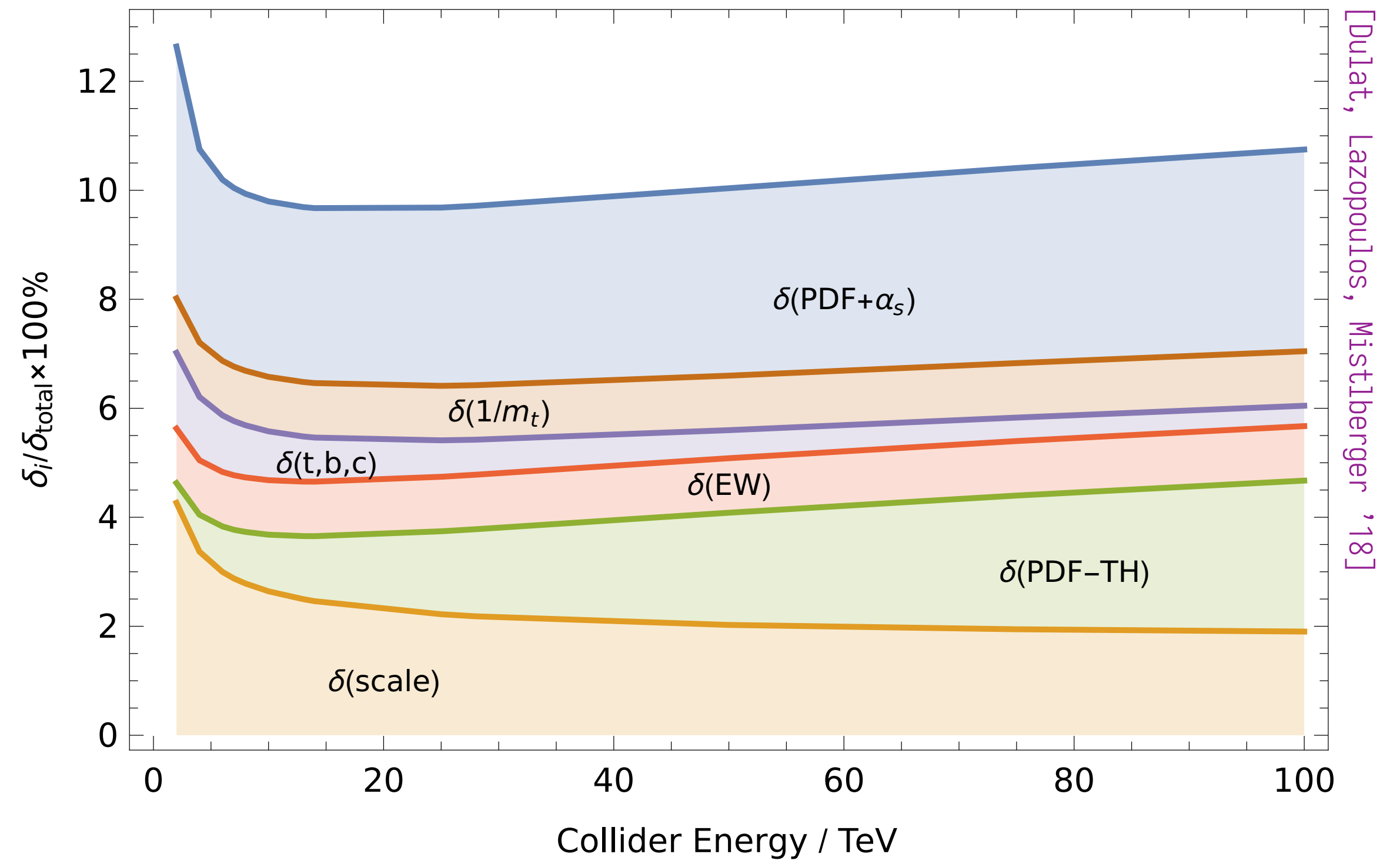
# GLUON FUSION



▶ Large QCD corrections  
 ↪ known to **N<sup>3</sup>LO**



## Sources of Uncertainties:

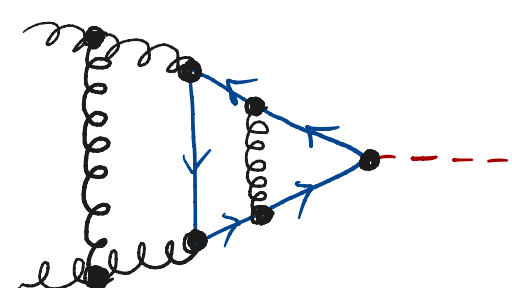


many small effects!  
 challenge: need to tackle all

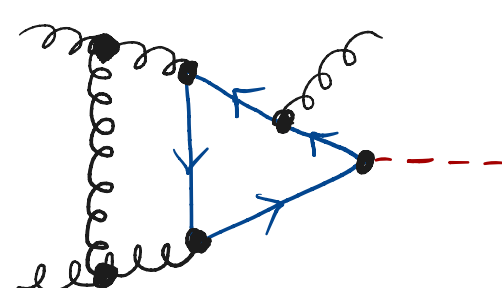


# FULL $m_t$ @ NNLO

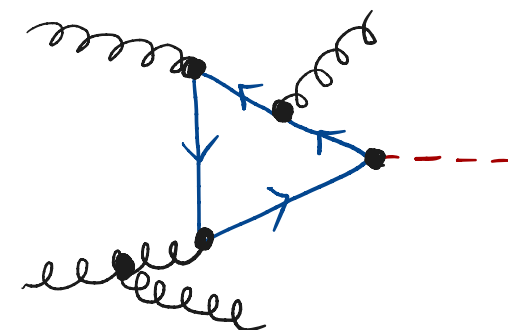
[Czakon, Harlander, Klappert, Niggetiedt '20]



[Davies, Gröber, Maier, Rauh, Steinhauser '19]  
[Czakon, Niggetiedt '20]



[Jones, Kerner, Luisoni '18]  
[Frellesvig, Hidding, Maestri, Moriello, Salvatori '20]



Result:  $\delta\sigma = -0.26\%$  ( $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV)

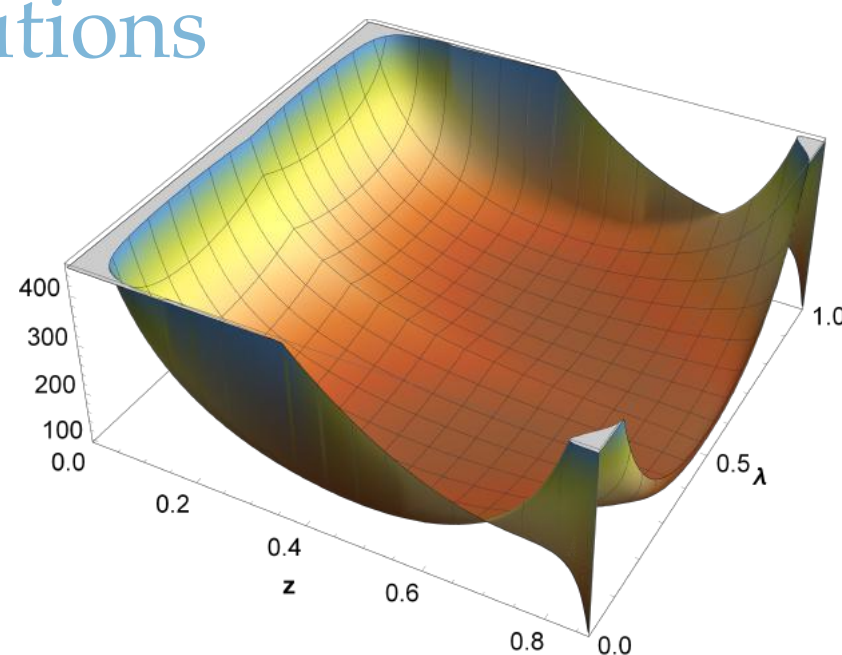
intricate cancellations

positive (+0.62%) corrections to  $gg$

negative (-15%) corrections to  $qg$  &  $qq$

big obstacle!  
(stability & efficiency)

numerical solutions  
to differential  
equations



$$2\text{Re}\langle M_{\text{exact}}^{(1)} | M_{\text{exact}}^{(2)} \rangle_{\text{regulated}}$$

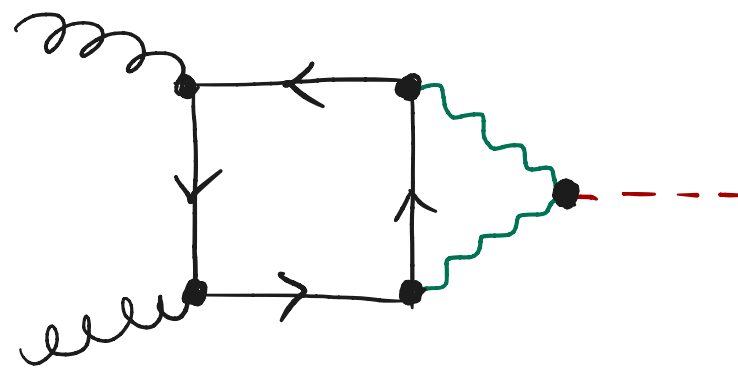
channel	$\sigma_{\text{HEFT}}^{\text{NNLO}}$ [pb]	$(\sigma_{\text{exact}}^{\text{NNLO}} - \sigma_{\text{HEFT}}^{\text{NNLO}})$ [pb]		$(\sigma_{\text{exact}}^{\text{NNLO}} / \sigma_{\text{HEFT}}^{\text{NNLO}} - 1)$ [%]
	$\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^4)$	$\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3)$	$\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^4)$	
$\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV				
$gg$	$7.39 + 8.58 + 3.88$	+0.0353	$+0.0879 \pm 0.0005$	+0.62
$qg$	$0.55 + 0.26$	-0.1397	$-0.0021 \pm 0.0005$	-18
$qq$	$0.01 + 0.04$	+0.0171	$-0.0191 \pm 0.0002$	-4
total	$7.39 + 9.15 + 4.18$	-0.0873	$+0.0667 \pm 0.0007$	-0.10
$\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV				
$gg$	$16.30 + 19.64 + 8.76$	+0.0345	$+0.2431 \pm 0.0020$	+0.62
$qg$	$1.49 + 0.84$	-0.3696	$-0.0115 \pm 0.0010$	-16
$qq$	$0.02 + 0.10$	+0.0322	$-0.0501 \pm 0.0006$	-15
total	$16.30 + 21.15 + 9.79$	-0.3029	$+0.1815 \pm 0.0023$	-0.26

# MIXED QCD×EW EFFECTS

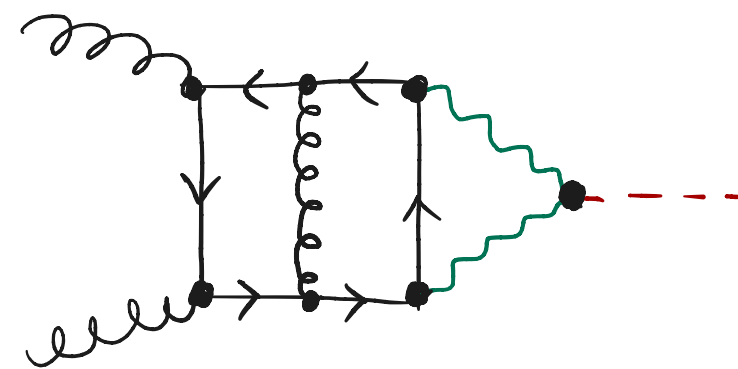
[Becchetti, Bonciani, Del Duca, Hirschi, Moriello, Schweitzer '20]

Dominant light-quark contribution to gluon fusion:

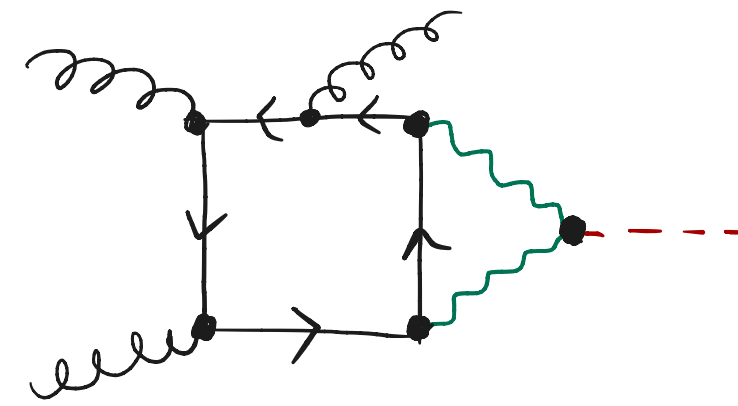
LO



NLO<sub>QCD</sub>



[Bonetti, Melnikov, Tancredi '17]



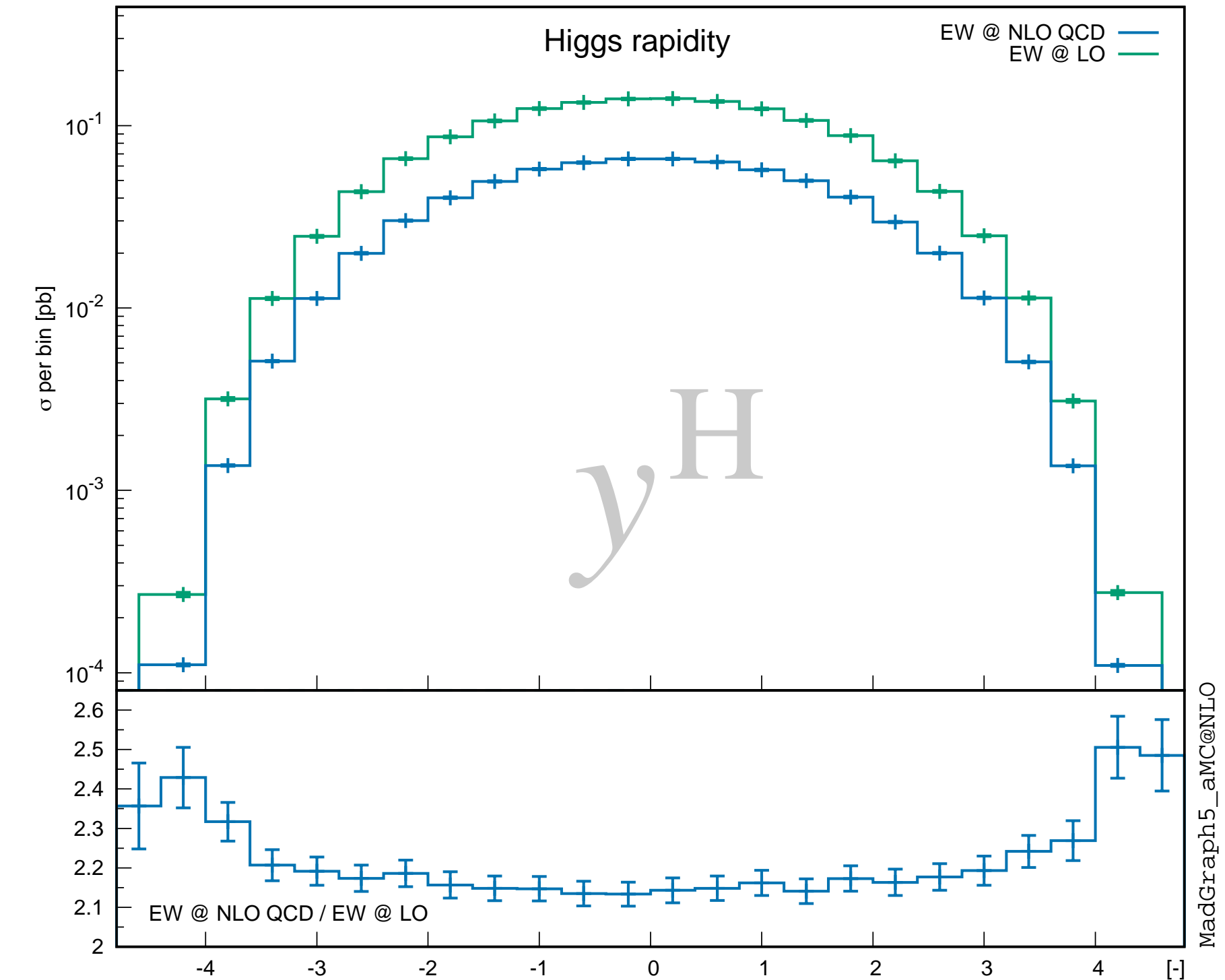
[Bonetti, Panzer, Smirnov, Tancredi '20]  
[Becchetti, Bonciani, Del Duca, Hirschi, Moriello, Schweitzer '20]

Previous estimates:

- ▶ soft approx. 5.4%  
[Bonetti, Melnikov, Tancredi '18]
- ▶  $M_H \ll M_V$  5.2%  
[Anastasiou, Boughezal, Petriello '09]
- ▶  $M_H \gg M_V$  5.4%  
[Anastasiou, Del Duca, Furlan, Mistlberger, Moriello, Schweitzer, Specchia '19]

Exact:

✓  
5.1%  
uncertainty:  
 $\delta(\text{EW}) \sim 0.6\%$



- flat  $K$ -factor in  $Y_H$
- favours *factorized* EW corrections:  
 $\sigma = \sigma_{\text{LO}} (1 + \delta_{\text{QCD}}) \times (1 + \delta_{\text{EW}})$

# GLUON FUSION — THE ERROR BUDGET

[Czakon, Harlander, Klappert, Niggetiedt '20]

Remove one source of uncertainty!

Future:

- light-quark mass effects
  - large logs to resum?

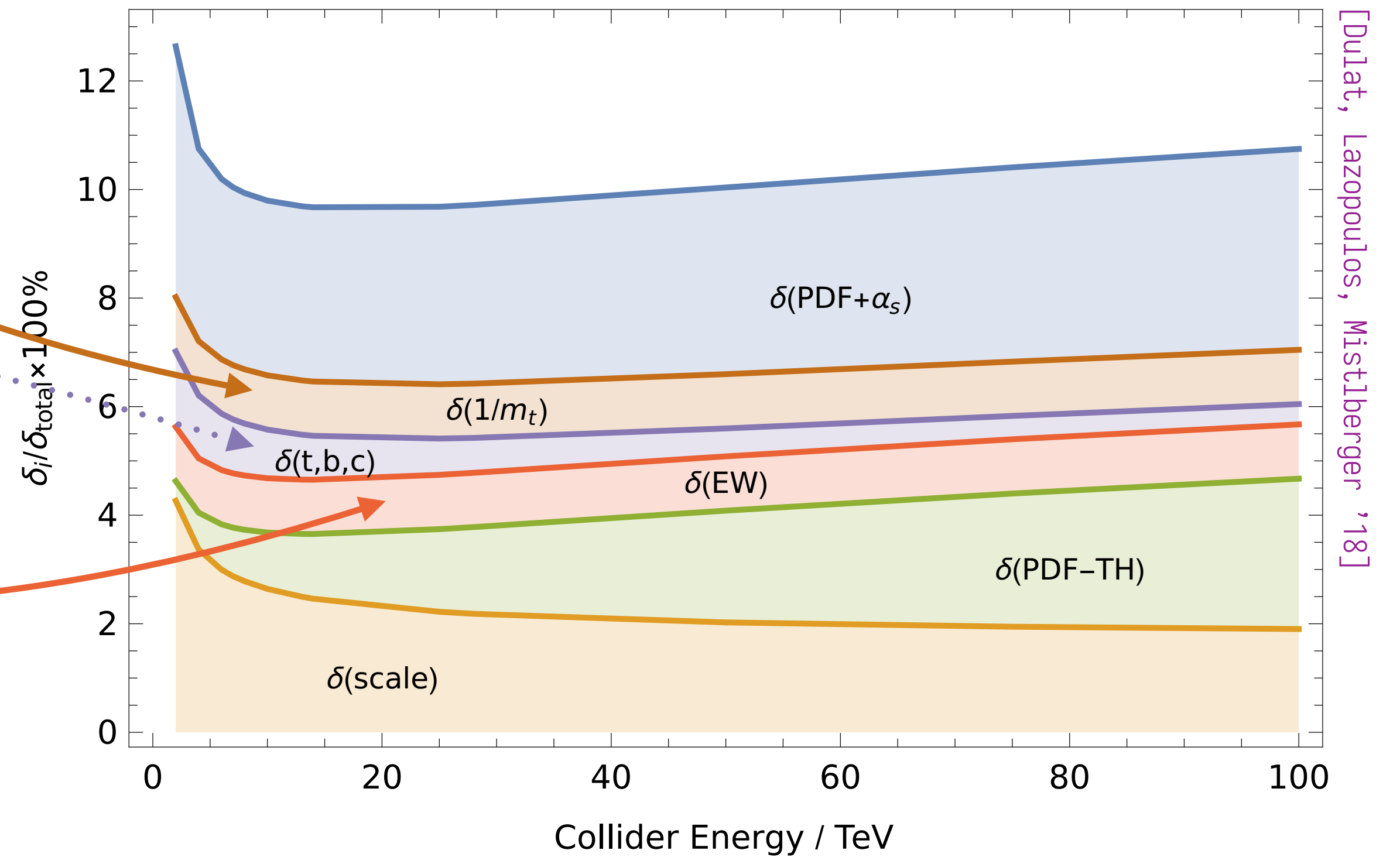
[Becchetti, Bonciani, Del Duca, Hirschi, Moriello, Schweitzer '20]

Reduce uncertainty:  $\sim 1\% \rightarrow 0.6\%$

Future:

- quark-induced EW contributions
- large  $p_T^H$ ?
- $m_t$  dependence in QCD amplitude?

## Sources of Uncertainties:



[Dulat, Lazopoulos, Mistlberger '18]

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- $\delta(\text{PDF} + \alpha_s)$  — more data & accurate determinations
- $\delta(\text{PDF} - \text{TH})$  — missing N<sup>3</sup>LO PDFs (AP kernels)

# HIGGS @ N<sup>3</sup>LO $\rightsquigarrow$ GOING DIFFERENTIAL

- What is the **probability** of producing a Higgs boson?

[Anastasiou et al. '15] [Mistlberger '18]

... in **direction**  $Y = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left( \frac{E + p_z}{E - p_z} \right)$

[Dulat, Mistlberger, Pelloni '18]

... where the Higgs **decays** into a pair of photons,  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ , and the leading and sub-leading photon have a transverse momentum that is larger than 35% and 25% of the Higgs boson mass, respectively, and are produced within the rapidity interval  $|y_\gamma| < 2.37$ , where the barrel-endcap region  $1.37 < |y_\gamma| < 1.52$  is excluded. Photons are further required to be isolated from additional QCD activity by requiring that the scalar sum of the transverse momenta of hadrons in a cone of  $\Delta R = 0.2$  around the photons is less than 5% of the photon transverse energy  $E_T$ .

$$\sigma_{pp \rightarrow H}^{tot}$$

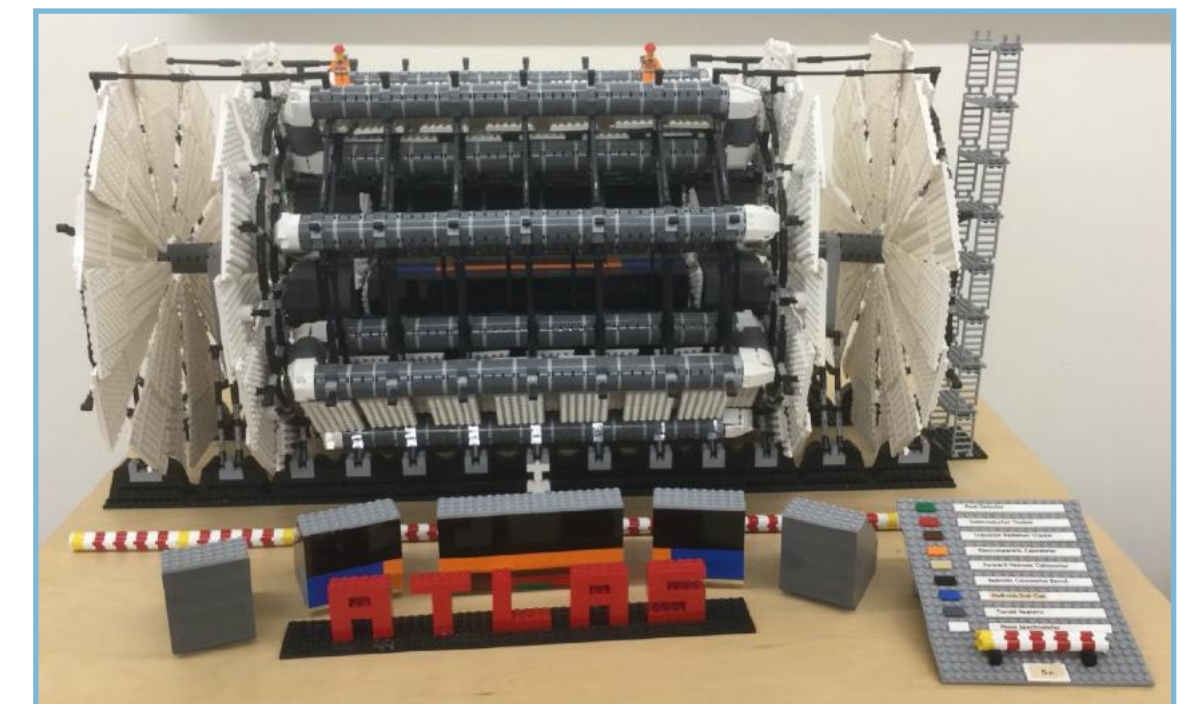
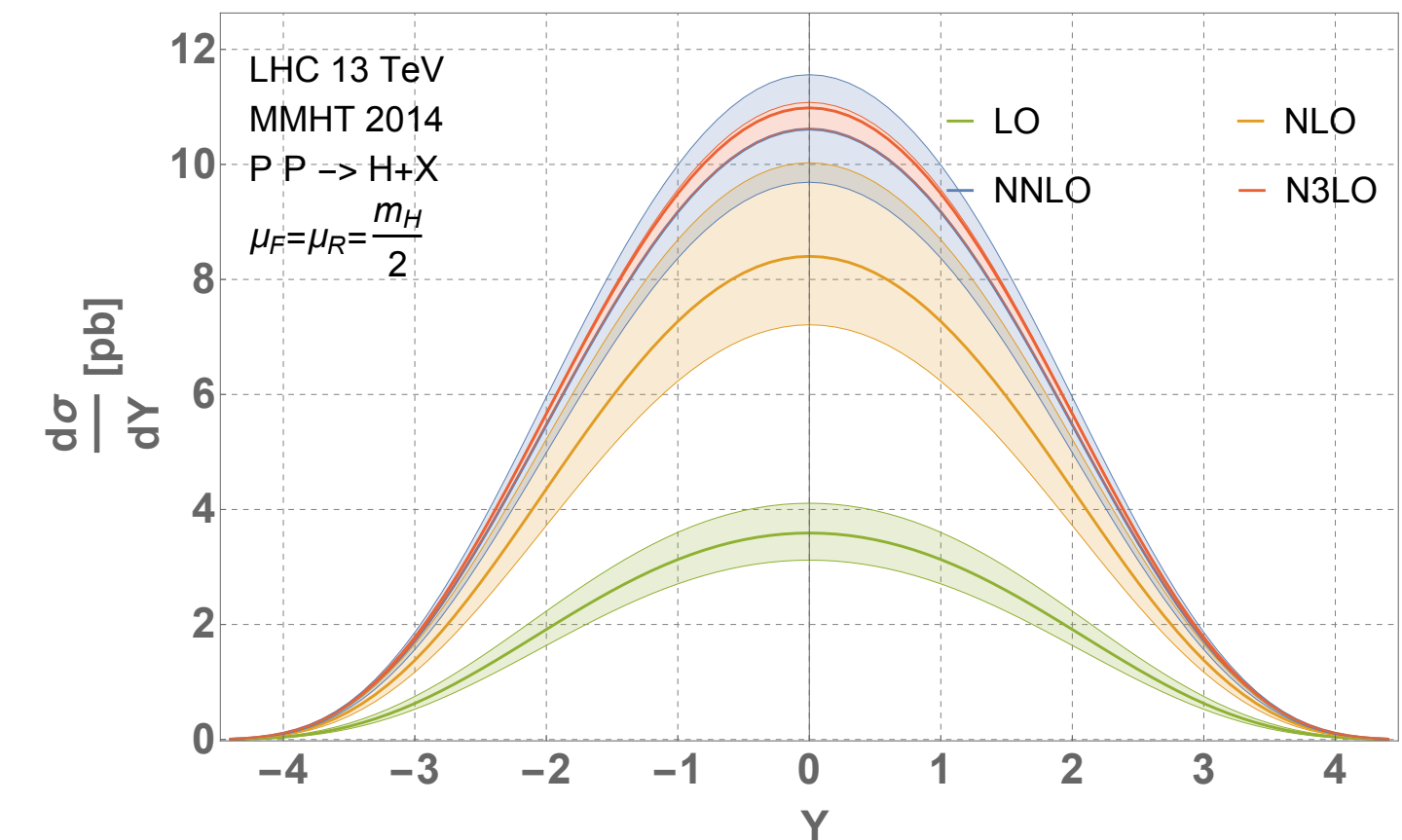


$$\frac{d\sigma_{pp \rightarrow H}}{dY}$$



$$d\sigma_{pp \rightarrow H}$$

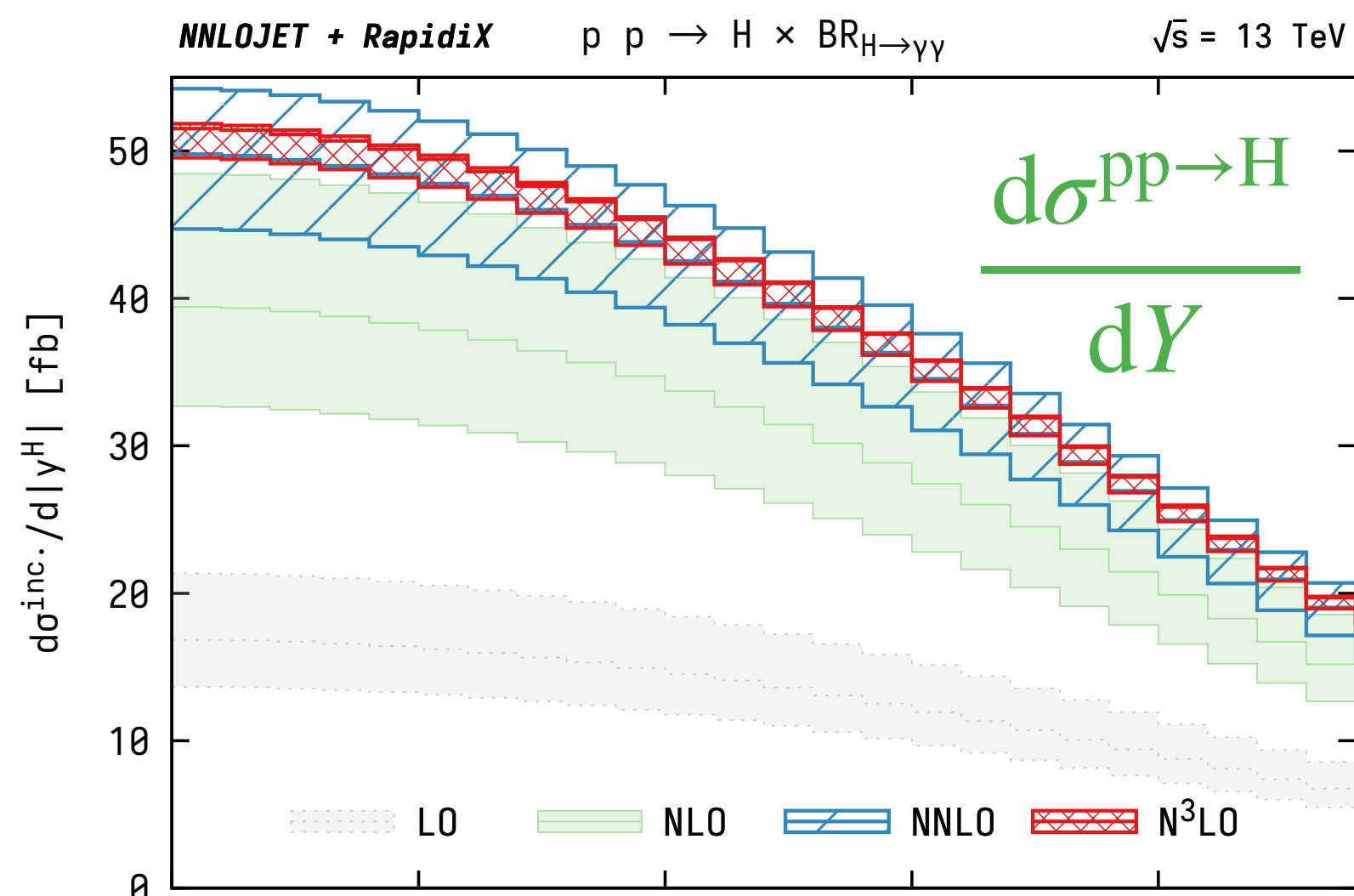
$$\sigma_{tot}^{N^3LO} = 48.68 \text{ pb}^{+2.07 \text{ pb}}_{-3.16 \text{ pb}}$$



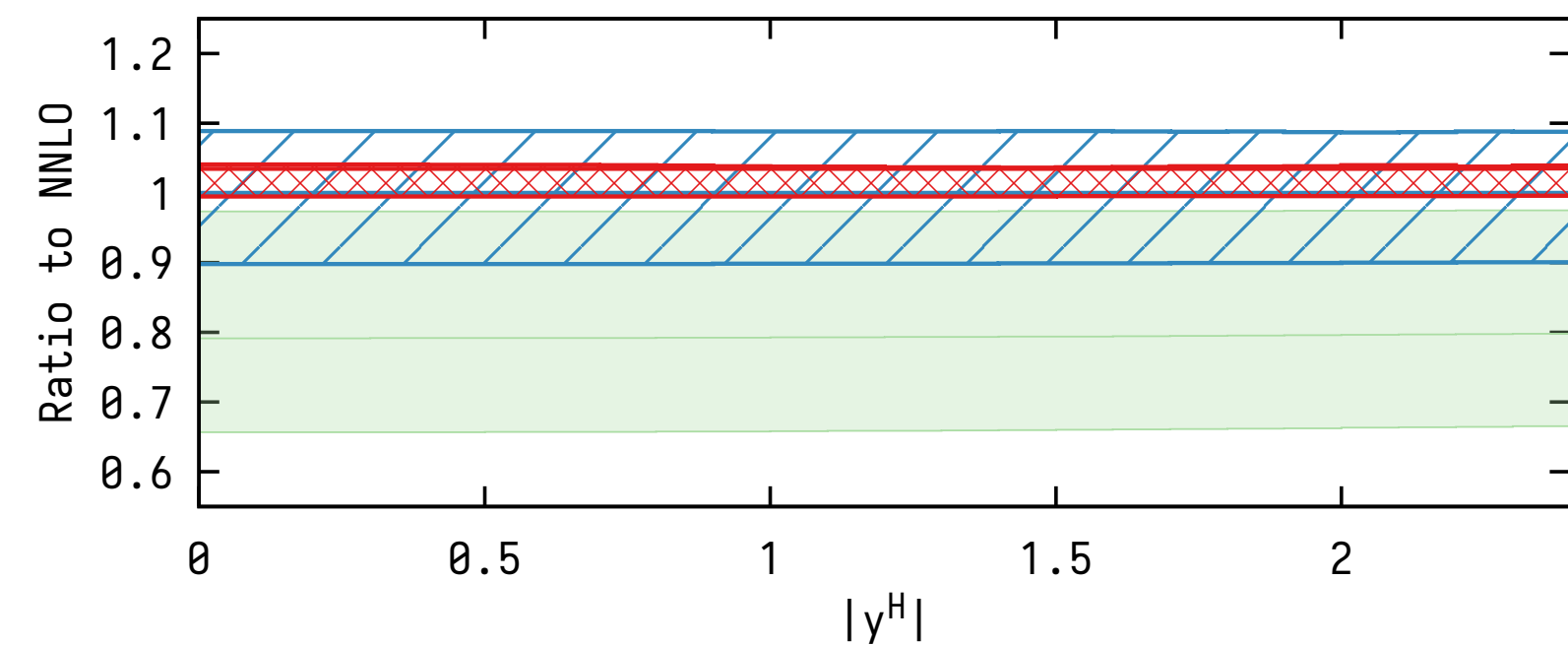
# FULLY DIFFERENTIAL HIGGS @ N<sup>3</sup>LO

[Chen, Gehrmann, Glover, AH, Mistlberger, Pelloni '21]

## Inclusive



- ▶  $p_T^{\gamma 1} > 0.35 \cdot m_{\gamma\gamma}$
  - ▶  $p_T^{\gamma 2} > 0.25 \cdot m_{\gamma\gamma}$
  - ▶  $|y^\gamma| < 2.37$
  - ▶ reject  $1.37 < |y^\gamma| < 1.52$  (barrel-endcap)
  - ▶ photon isolation in  $\Delta R < 0.2$
- $\hookrightarrow \sum_{\Delta R_{i\gamma} < 0.2} p_{T,i} < 0.05 \cdot E_T^\gamma$

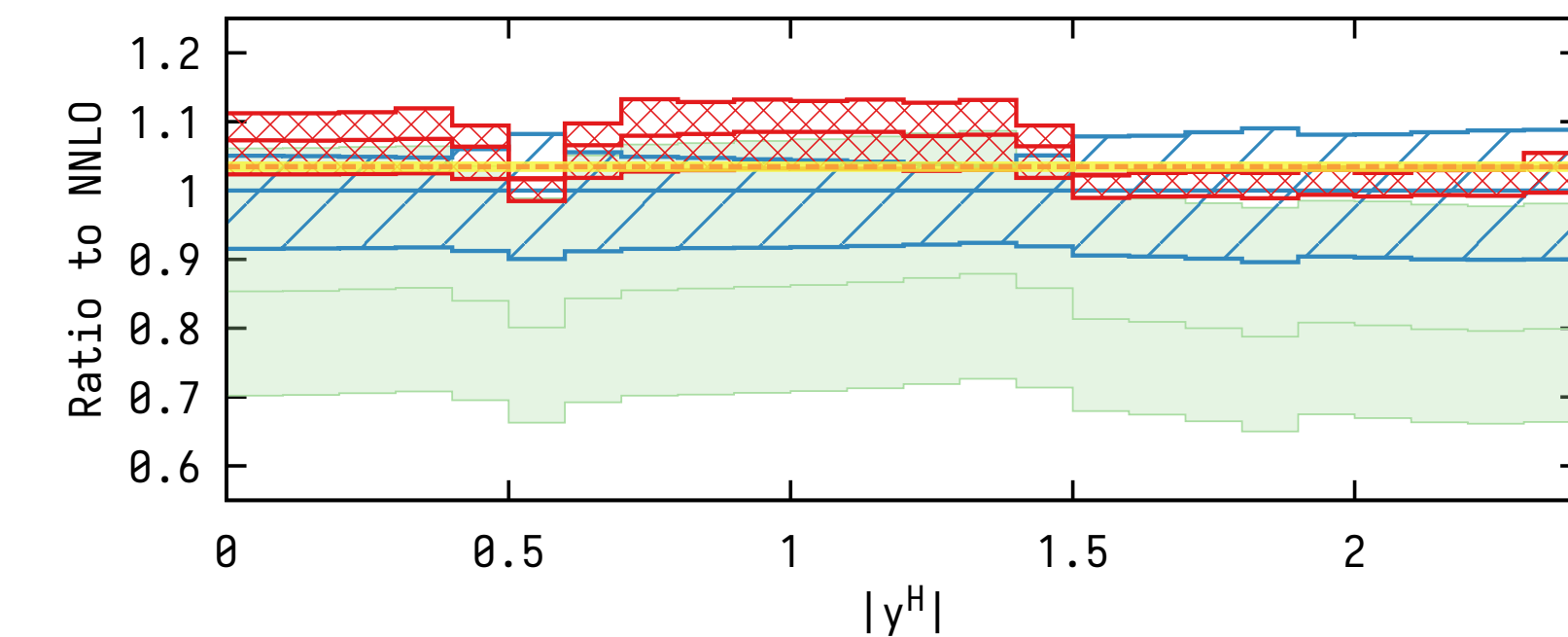
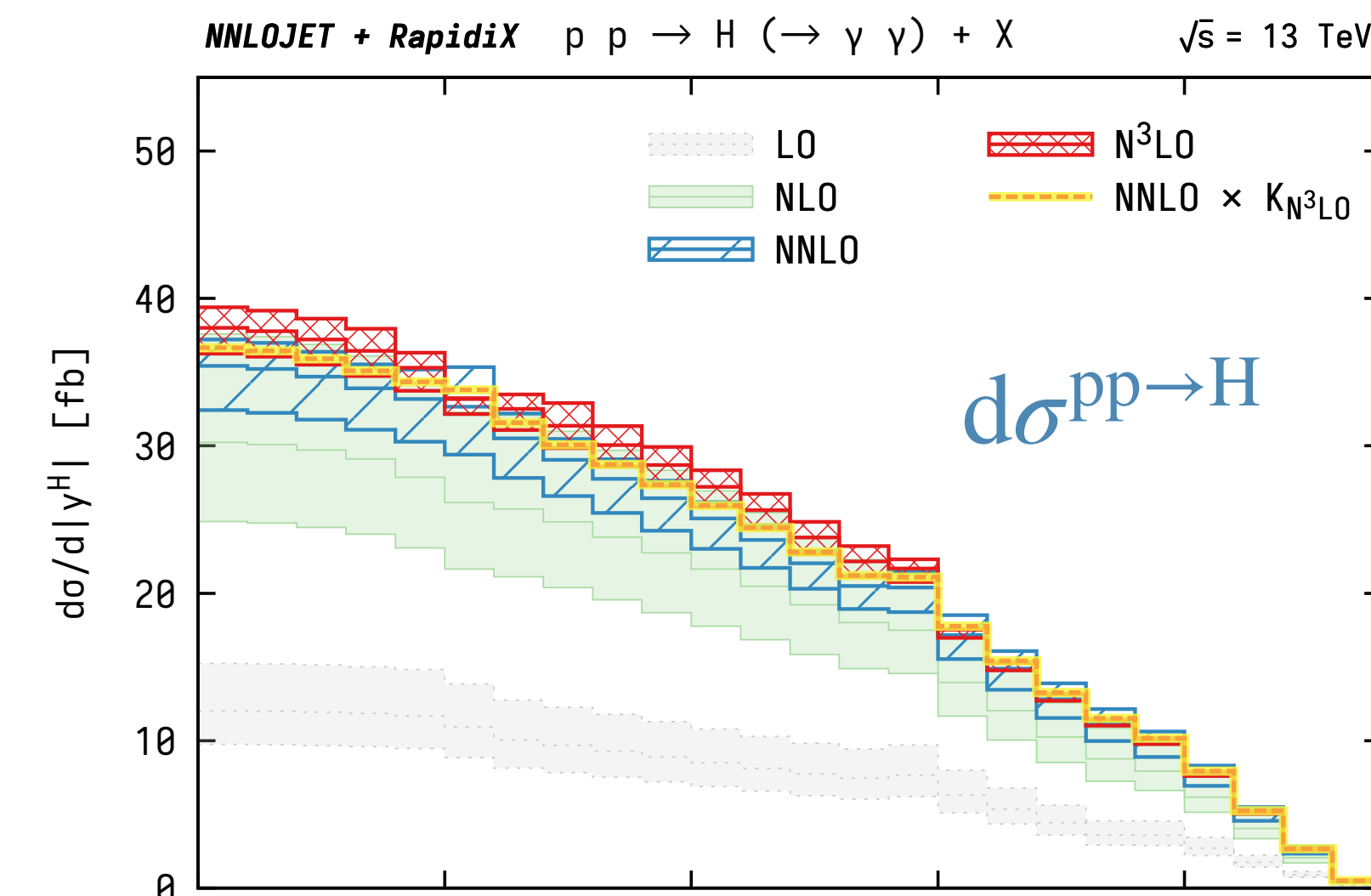


$\odot \text{NNLO} \times K_{N^3\text{LO}} \approx N^3\text{LO}$

$\odot$  reduced uncertainties

$\odot$  some "features"

## Fiducial (ATLAS)



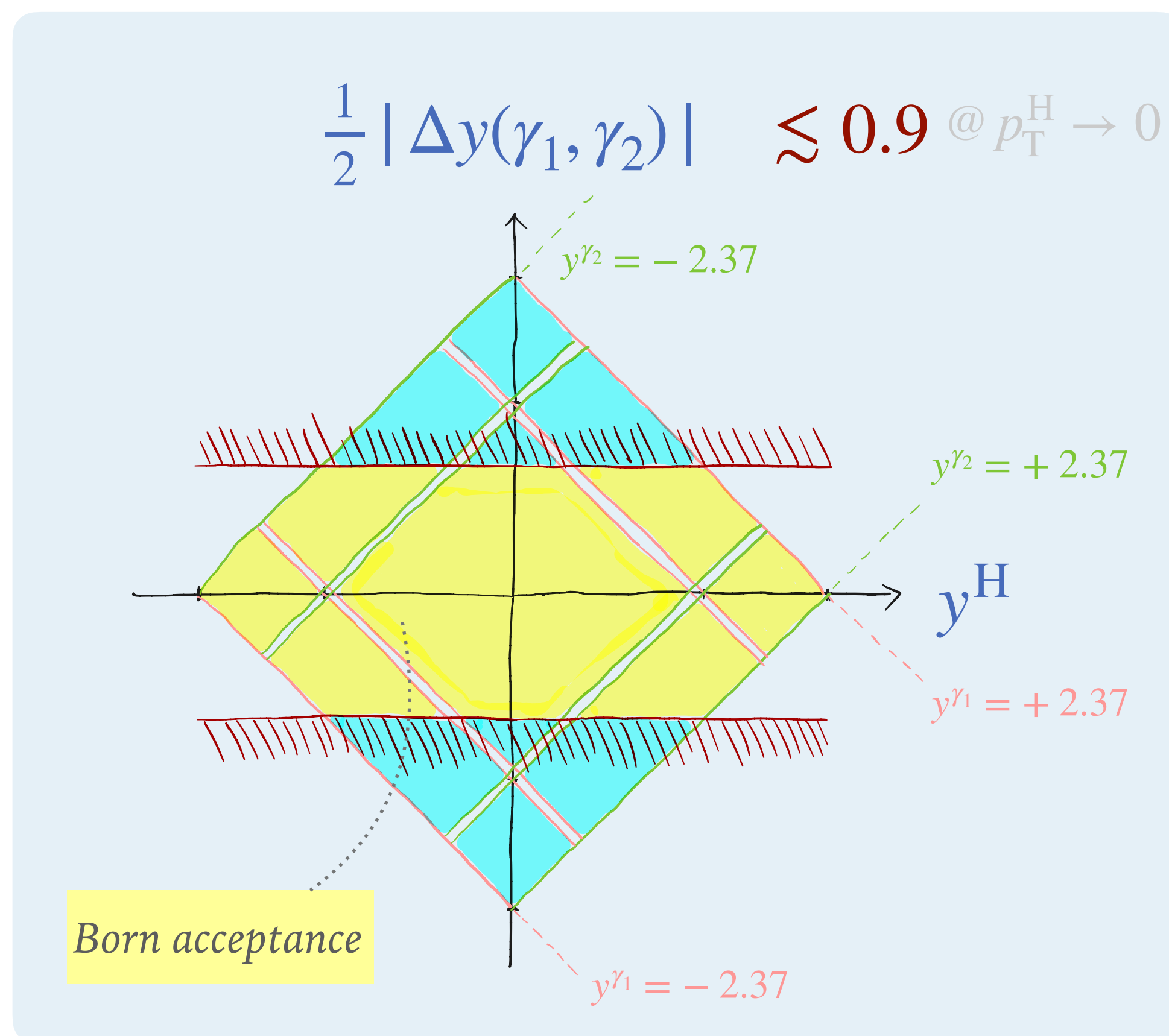
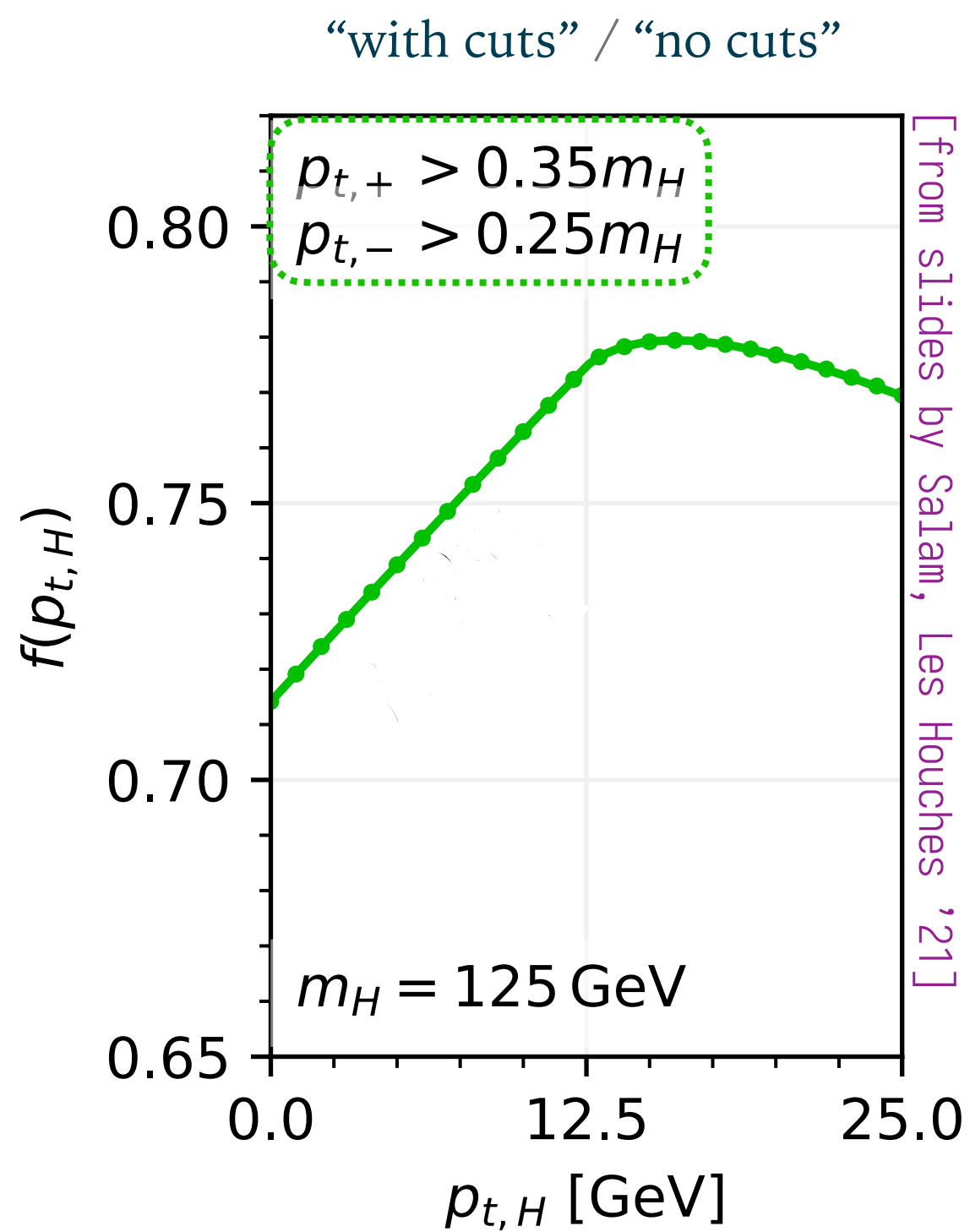
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“fiducial power corrections”

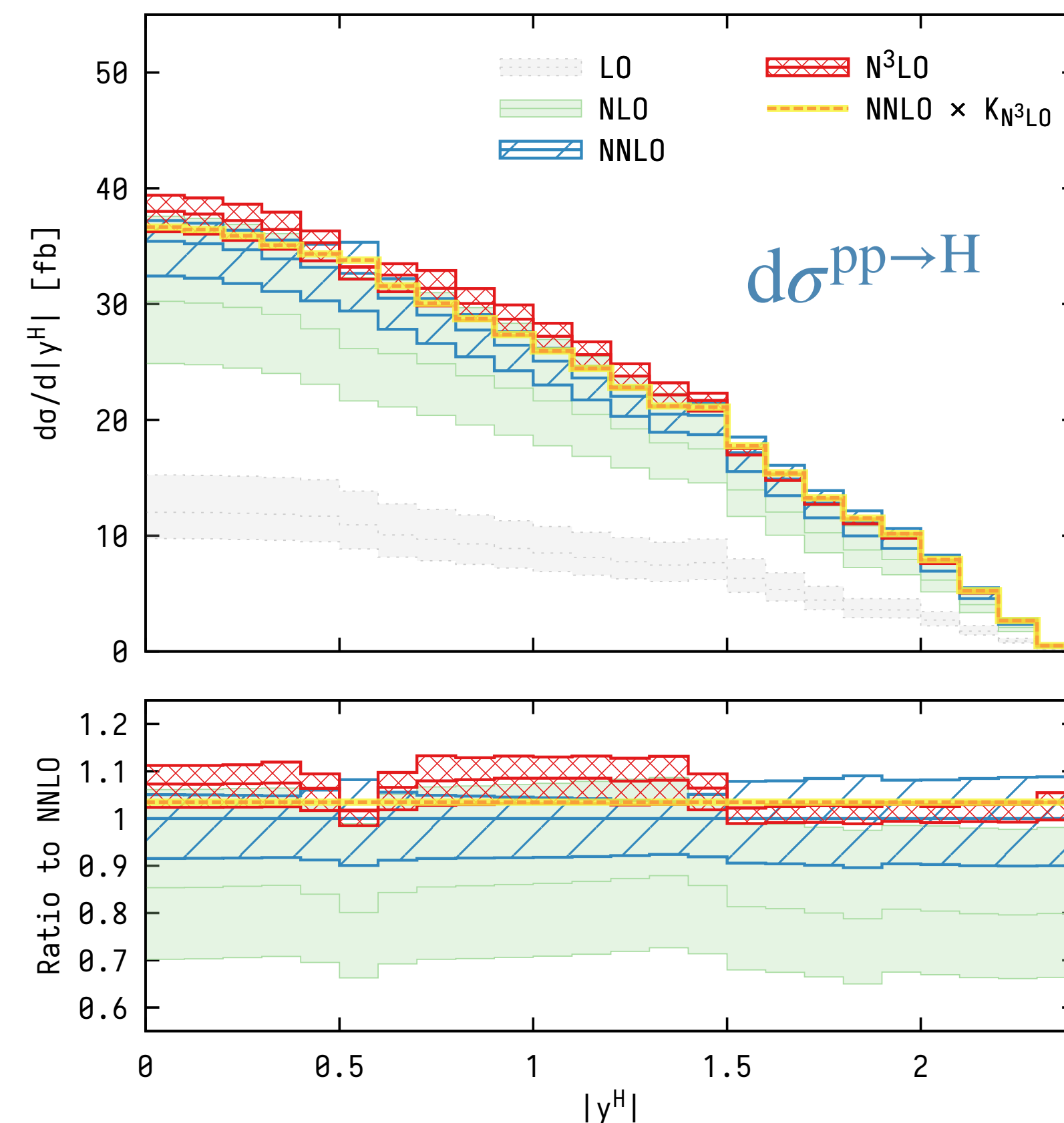
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## Fiducial (ATLAS)

NNLOJET + RapidX  $p p \rightarrow H (\rightarrow \gamma \gamma) + X$   $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$



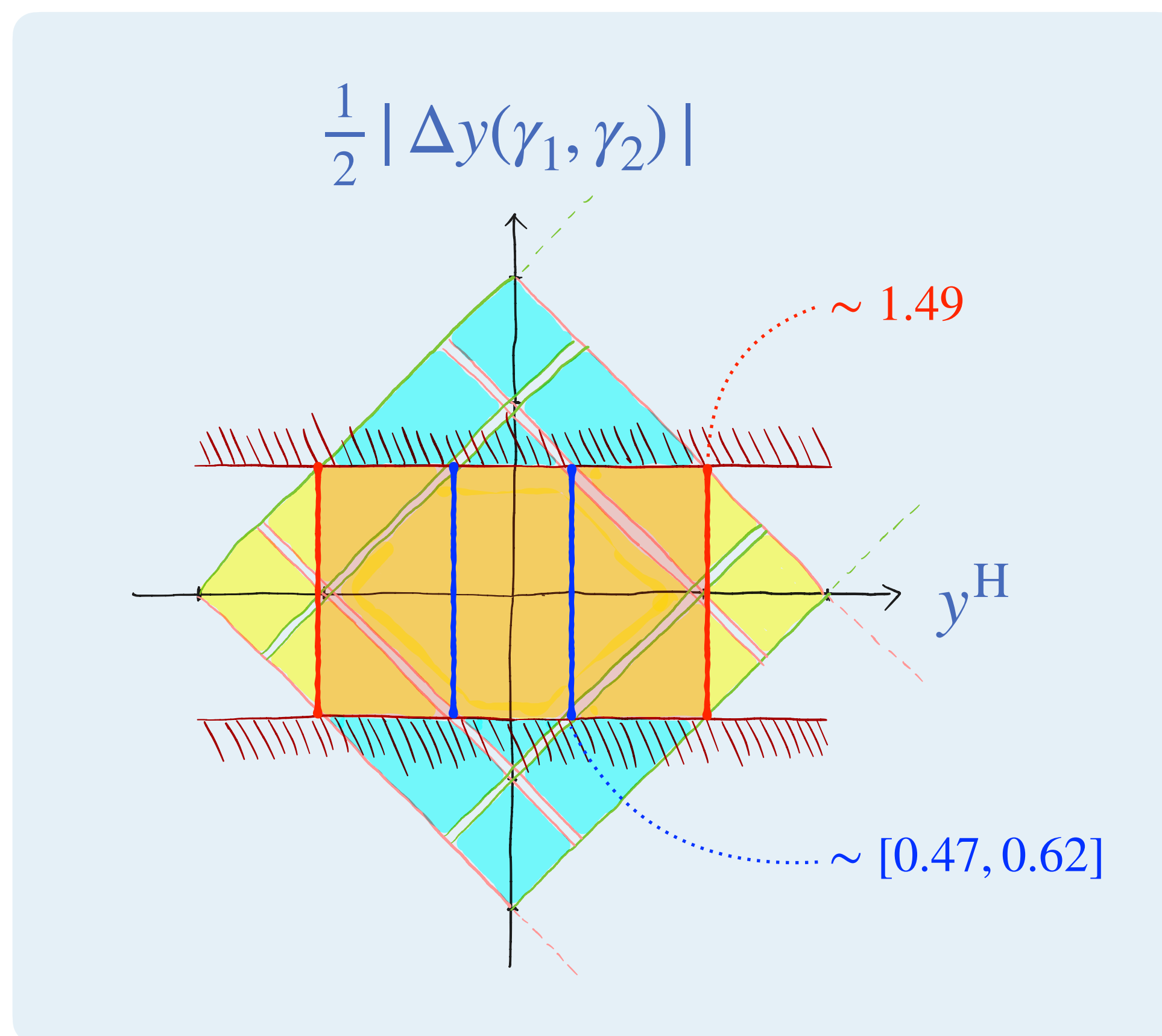
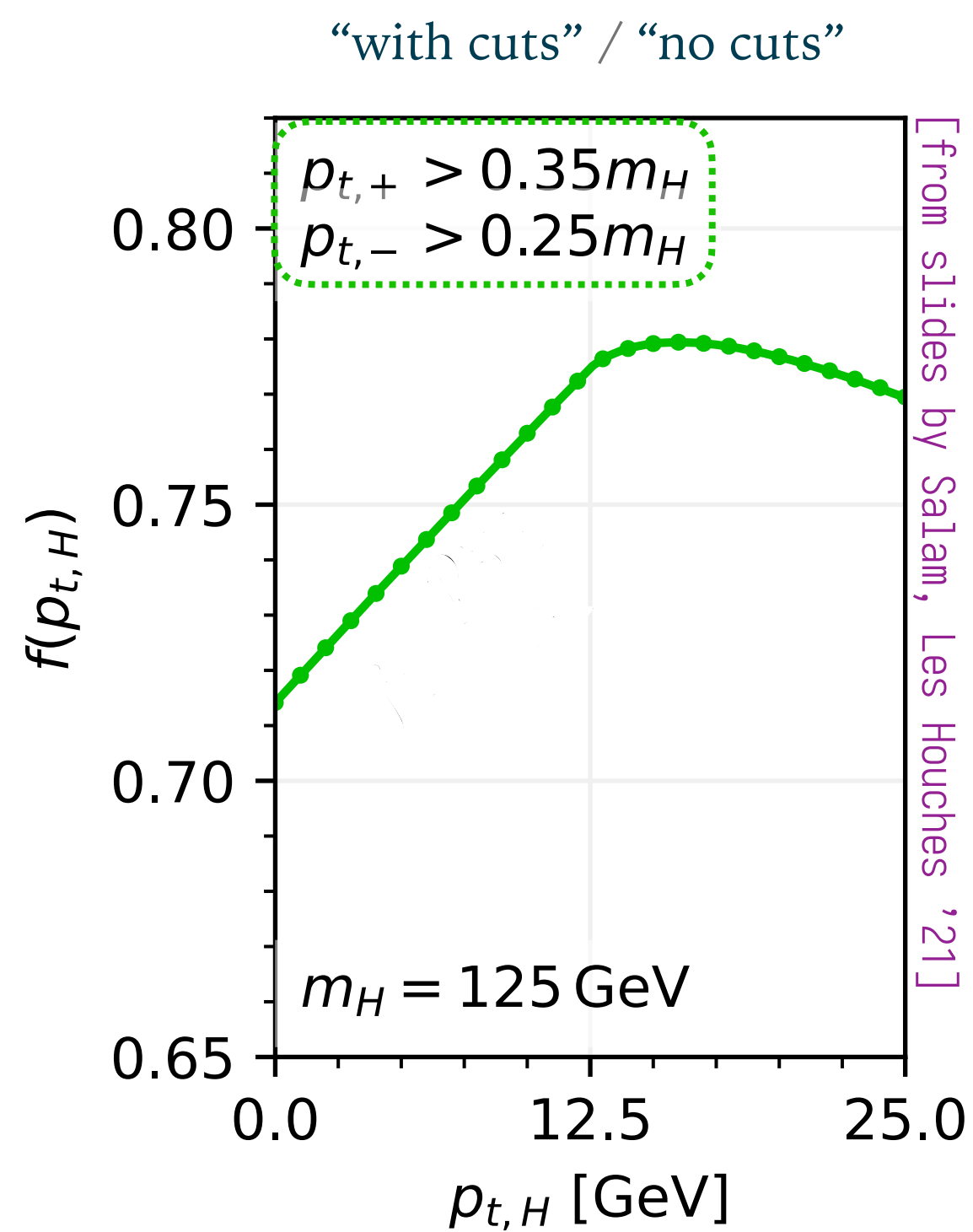
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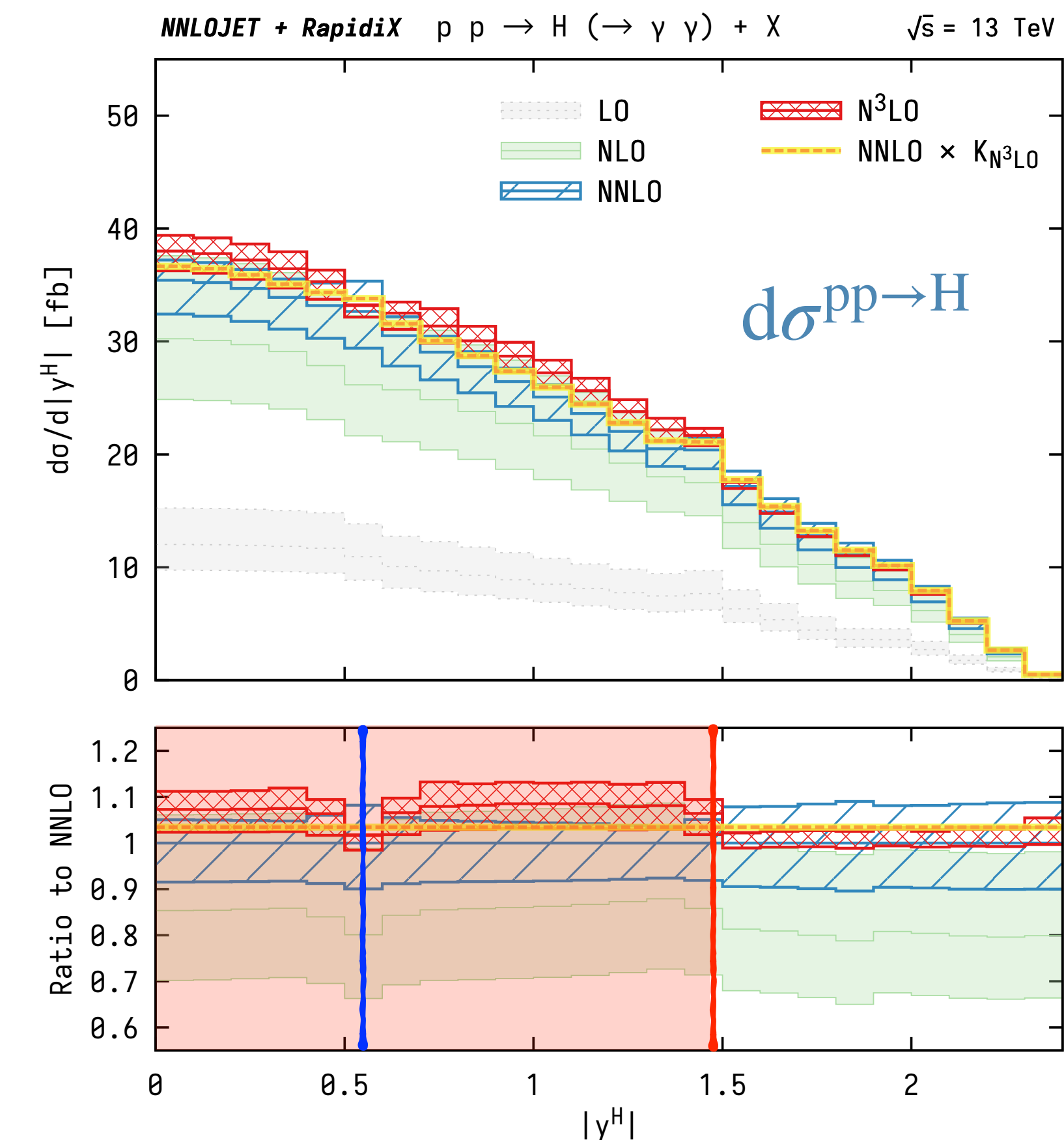
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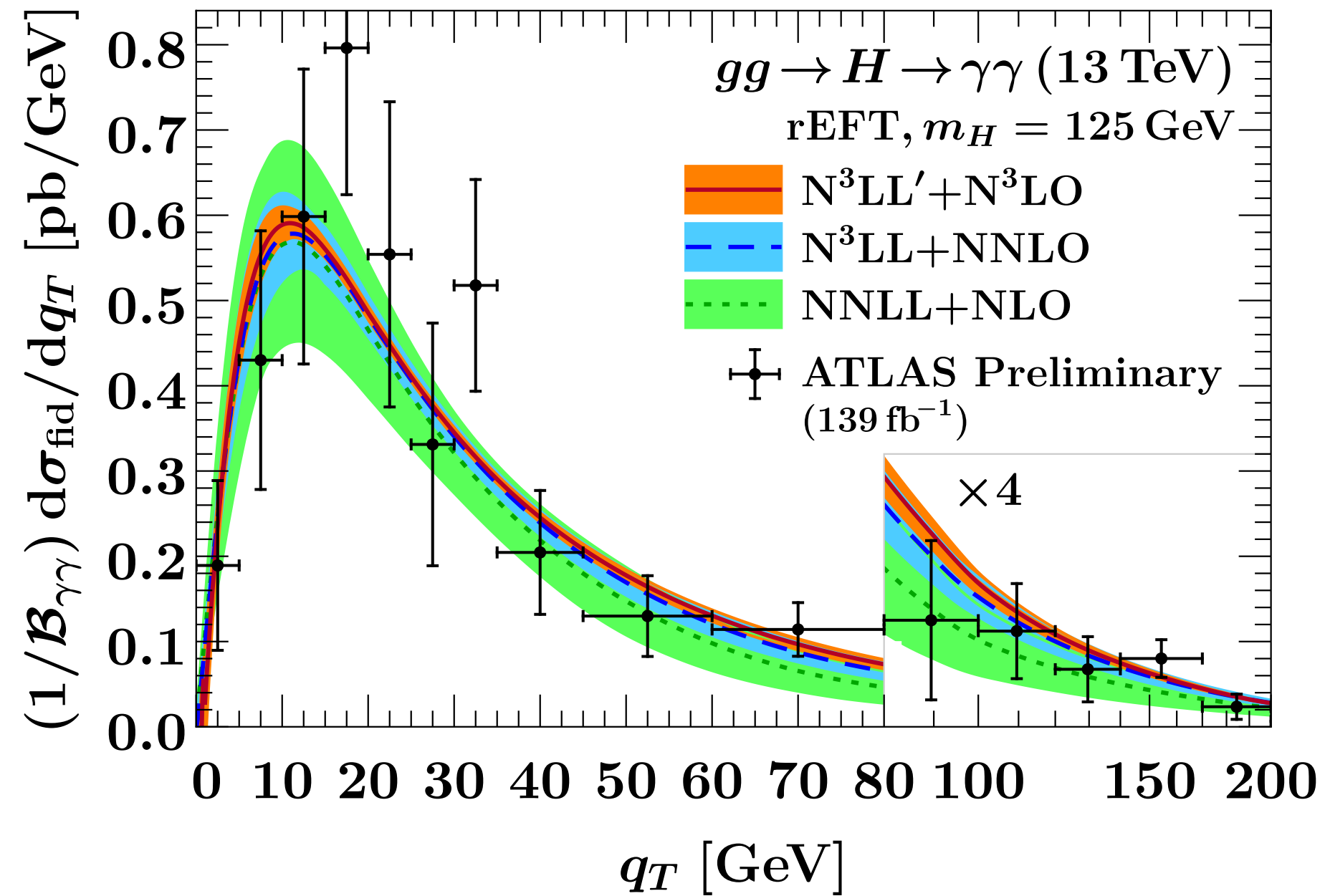


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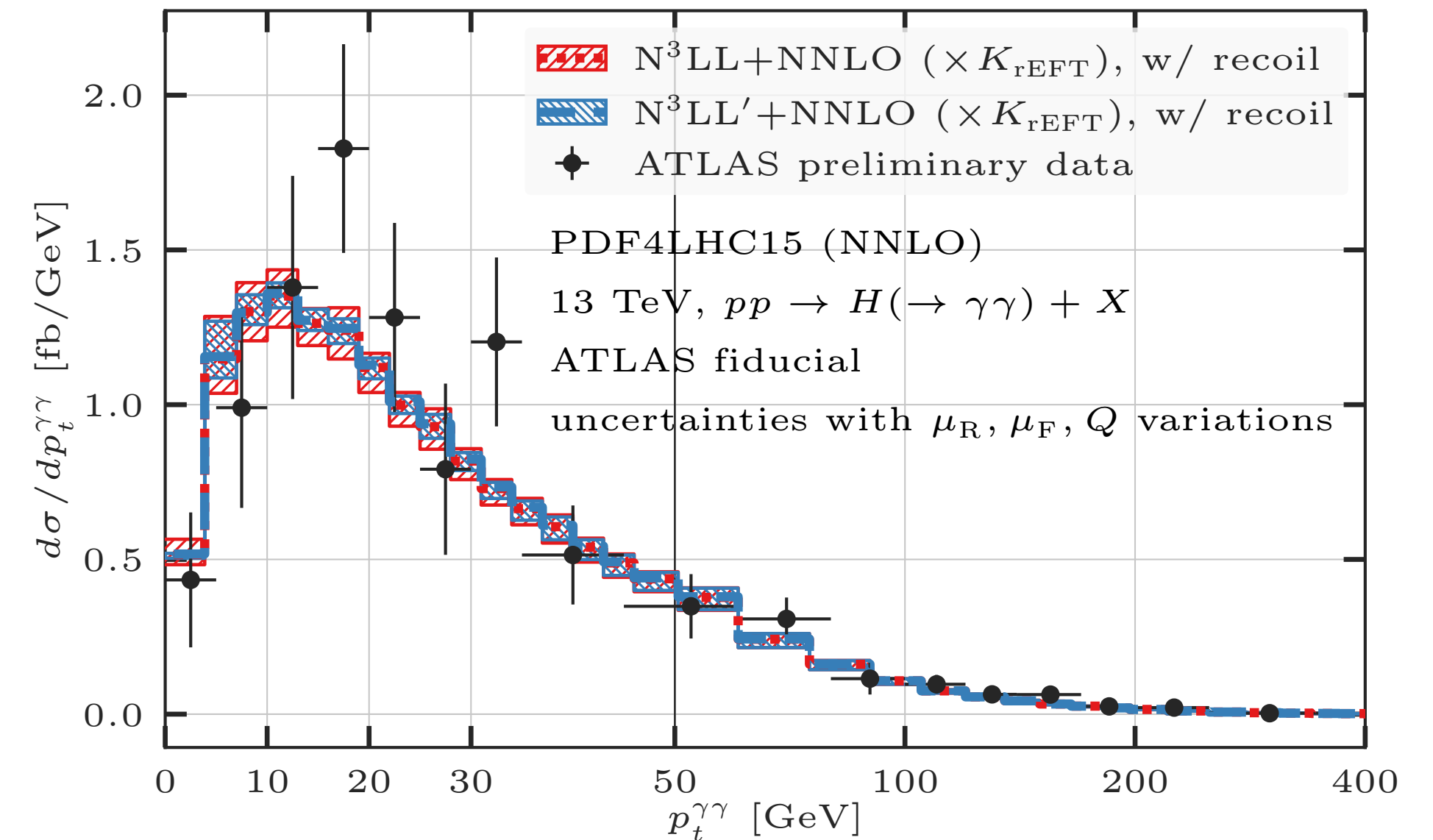


# HIGGS $P_T$ @ $N^3LL'+NNLO_1$

[Billis, Dehnadi, Ebert, Michel, Tackmann '21]



[Re, Rottoli, Torrielli '21]



Enabled by various ingredients:

- ▶ ... *last missing*
- ▶ “ $N^3LO$  beam function”

[Behring, Melnikov, Rietkerk, Tancredi, Wever '19]  
[Luo, Yang, Zhu, Zhu '20] [Ebert, Mistlberger, Vita '20]

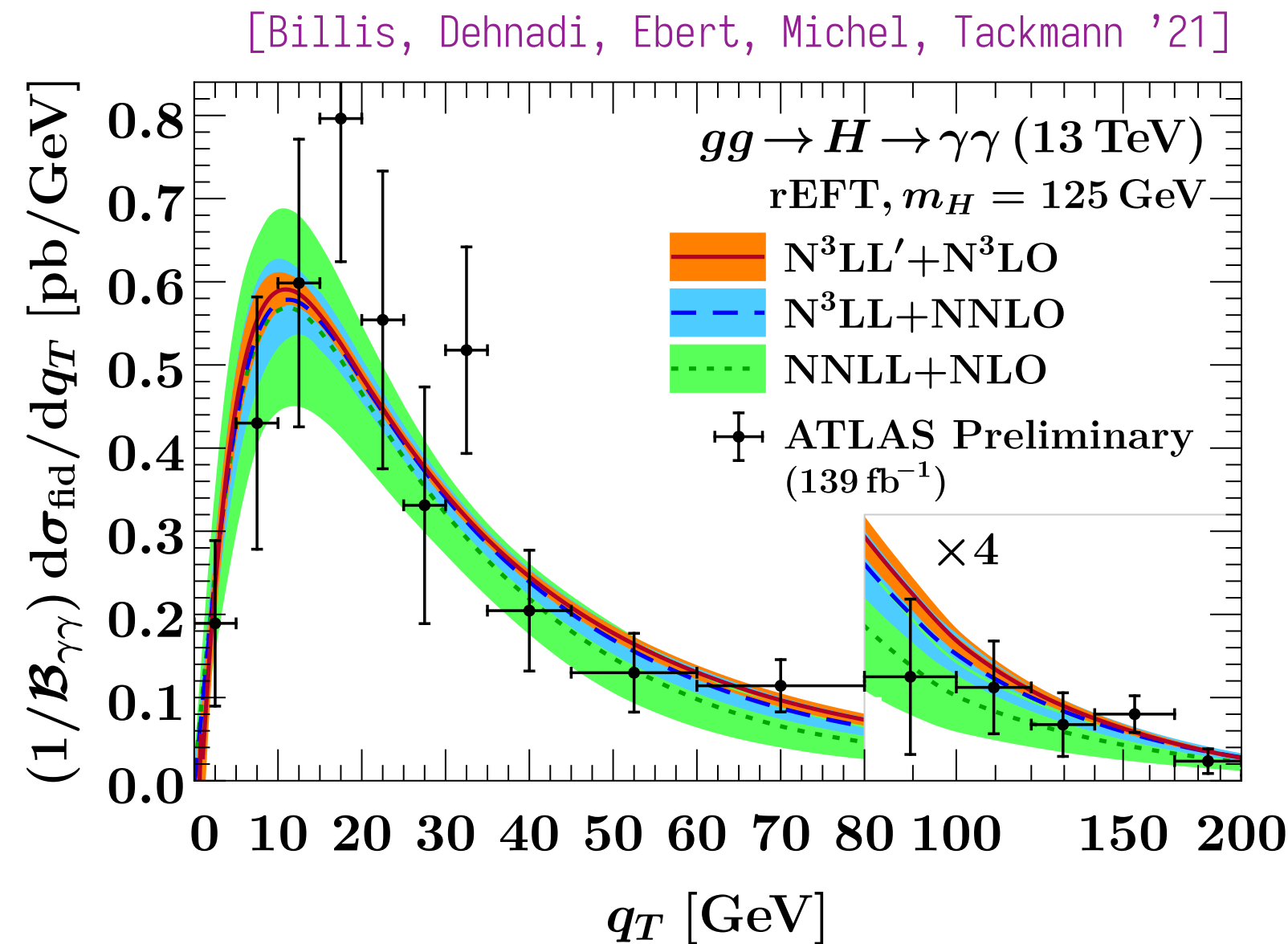
colour-singlet @  $N^3LO$

*fiducial power corrections*  
absorbed by recoiling Higgs

[Catani, de Florian, Ferrera, Grazzini, '15]  
[Ebert, Michel, Stewart, Tackmann '20]

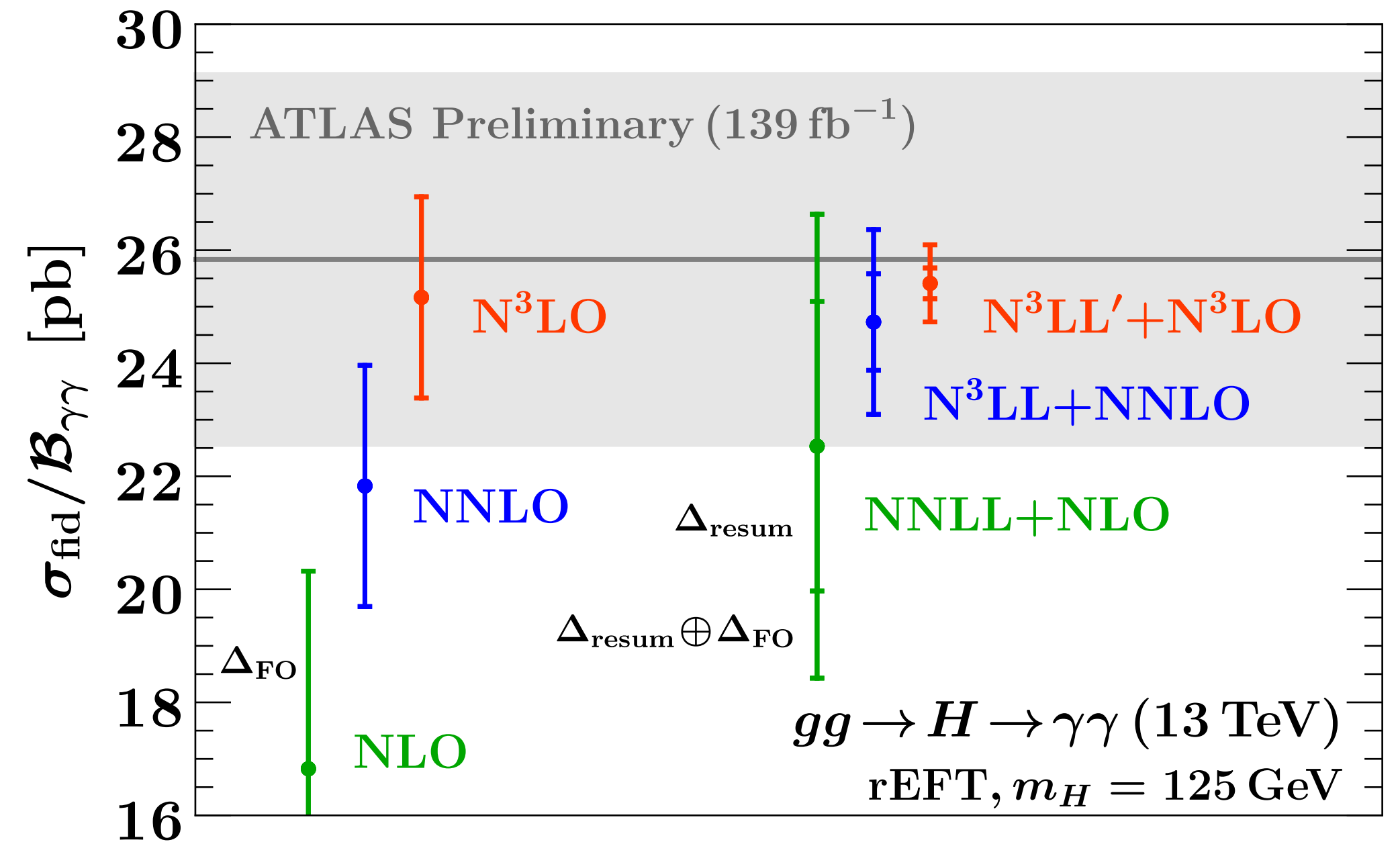


# HIGGS @ $N^3LL'+N^3LO_0$



$$\sigma = \int dq_T \frac{d\sigma}{dq_T}$$

→



resummation necessary to define a "hard" fiducial cross section?!

- $N^3LO$  corrections larger than incl.  $K_{N^3LO}$ 
  - impact of *fiducial power corrections* (fpc)
- improved convergence with "+ $N^3LL$ "

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{\text{fid}}^{\text{FO}} / \mathcal{B}_{\gamma\gamma} = & 6.928 [1 + (1.300 + 0.129_{\text{fpc}}) \\ & + (0.784 - 0.061_{\text{fpc}}) \\ & + (0.331 + 0.150_{\text{fpc}})] \text{ pb} . \end{aligned}$$

# CUTS TO REMOVE THE IR SENSITIVITY

ATLAS

$$p_T^{\gamma_1} \geq 0.35 \cdot M_H$$

$$p_T^{\gamma_2} \geq 0.25 \cdot M_H$$

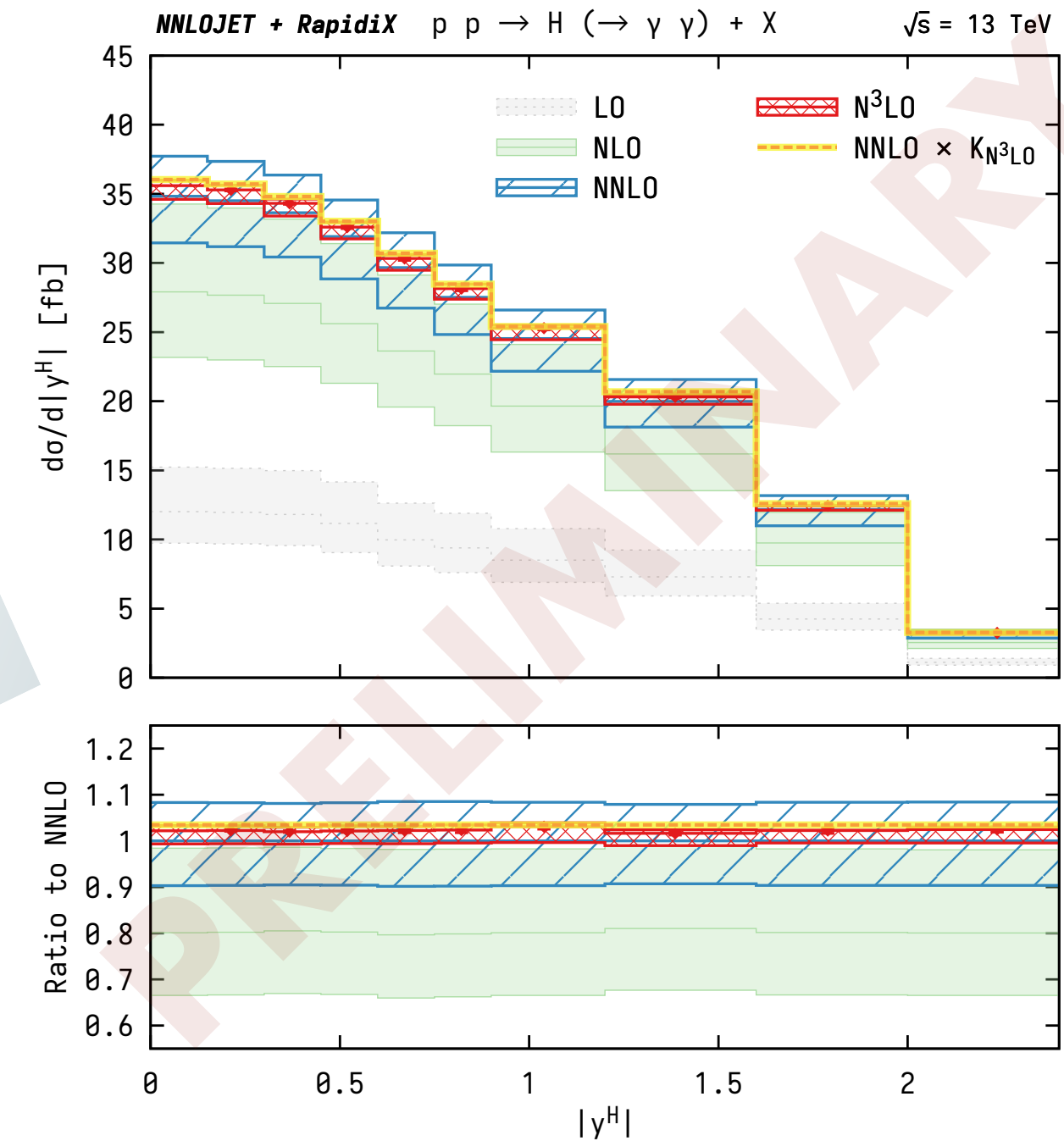
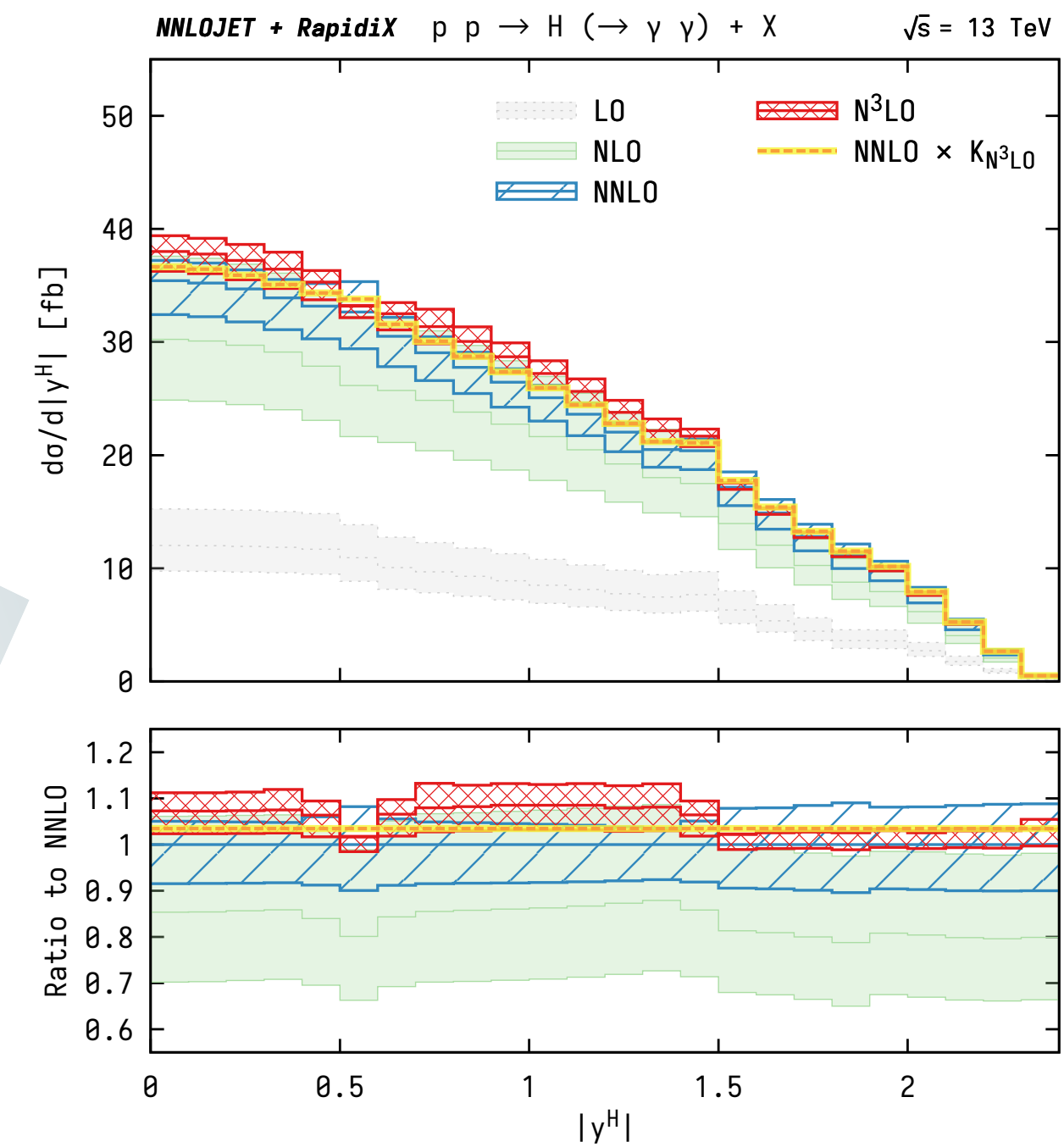
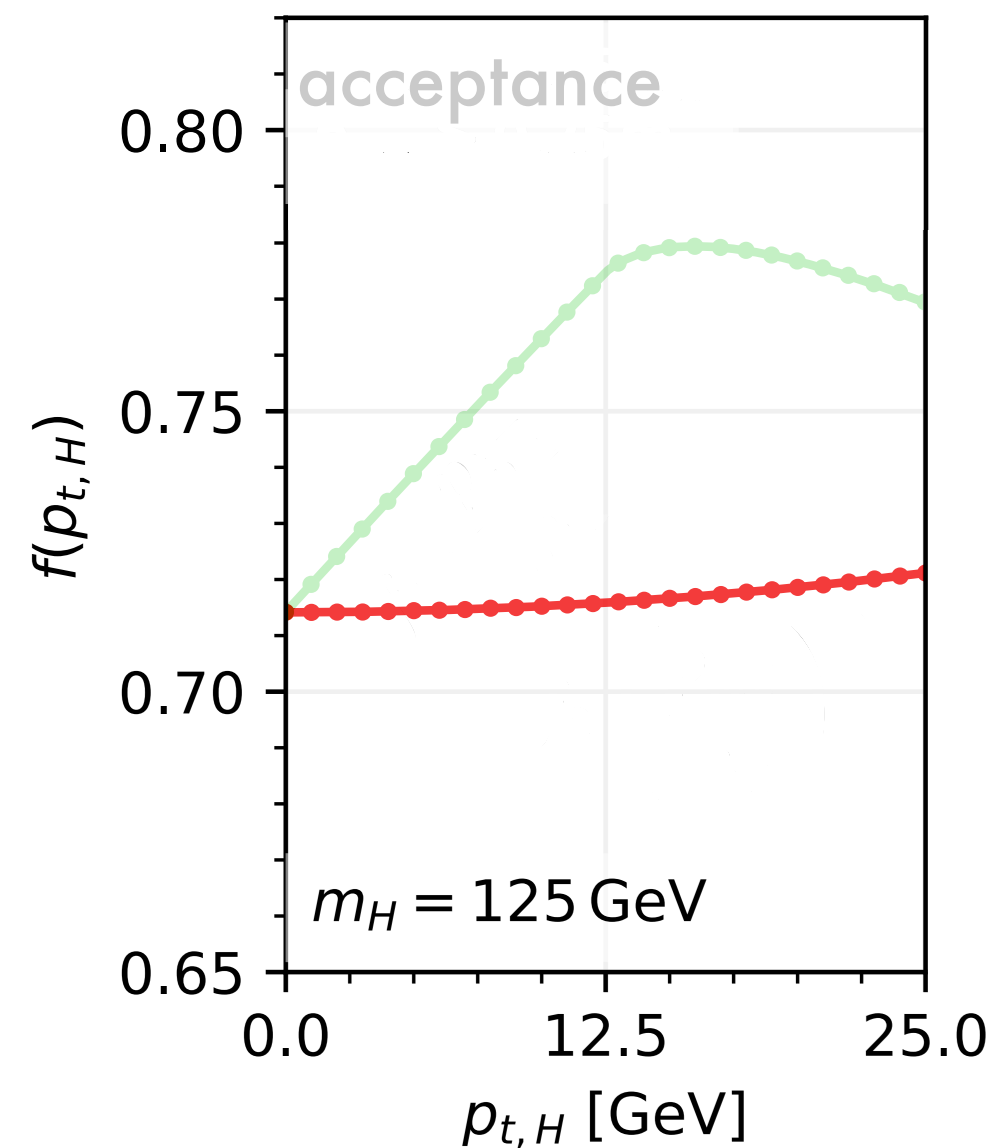
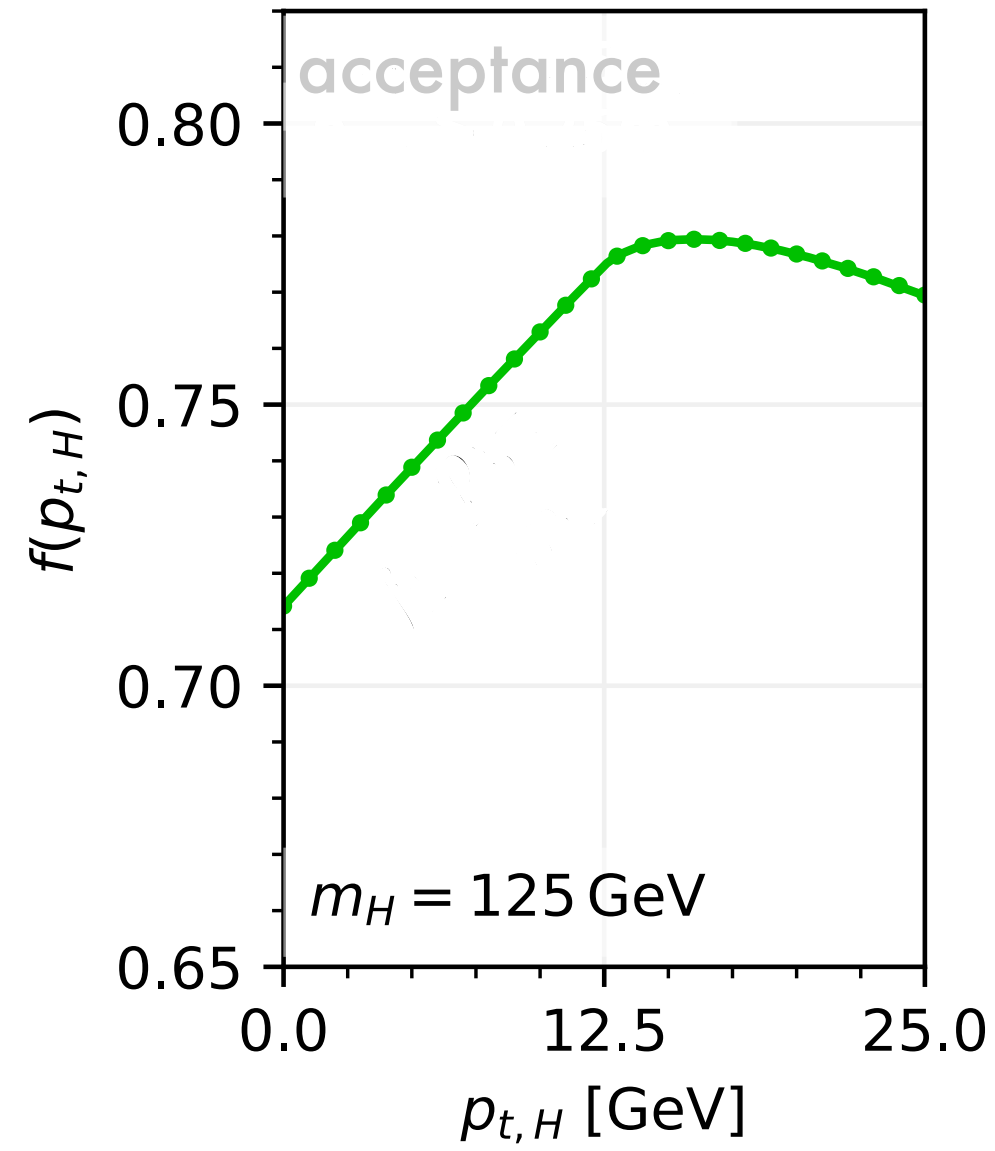
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Product cuts [Salam, Slade '21]

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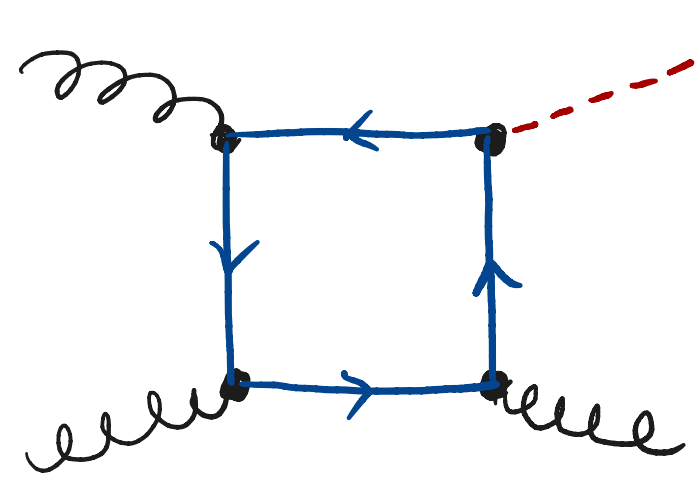
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- ▶ NNLO × K<sub>N<sup>3</sup>LO</sub> ≈ N<sup>3</sup>LO
- ▶ very flat
- ▶ no "features"
- ▶ robust (v.s. resummation)

# HIGGS @ HIGH $p_T$

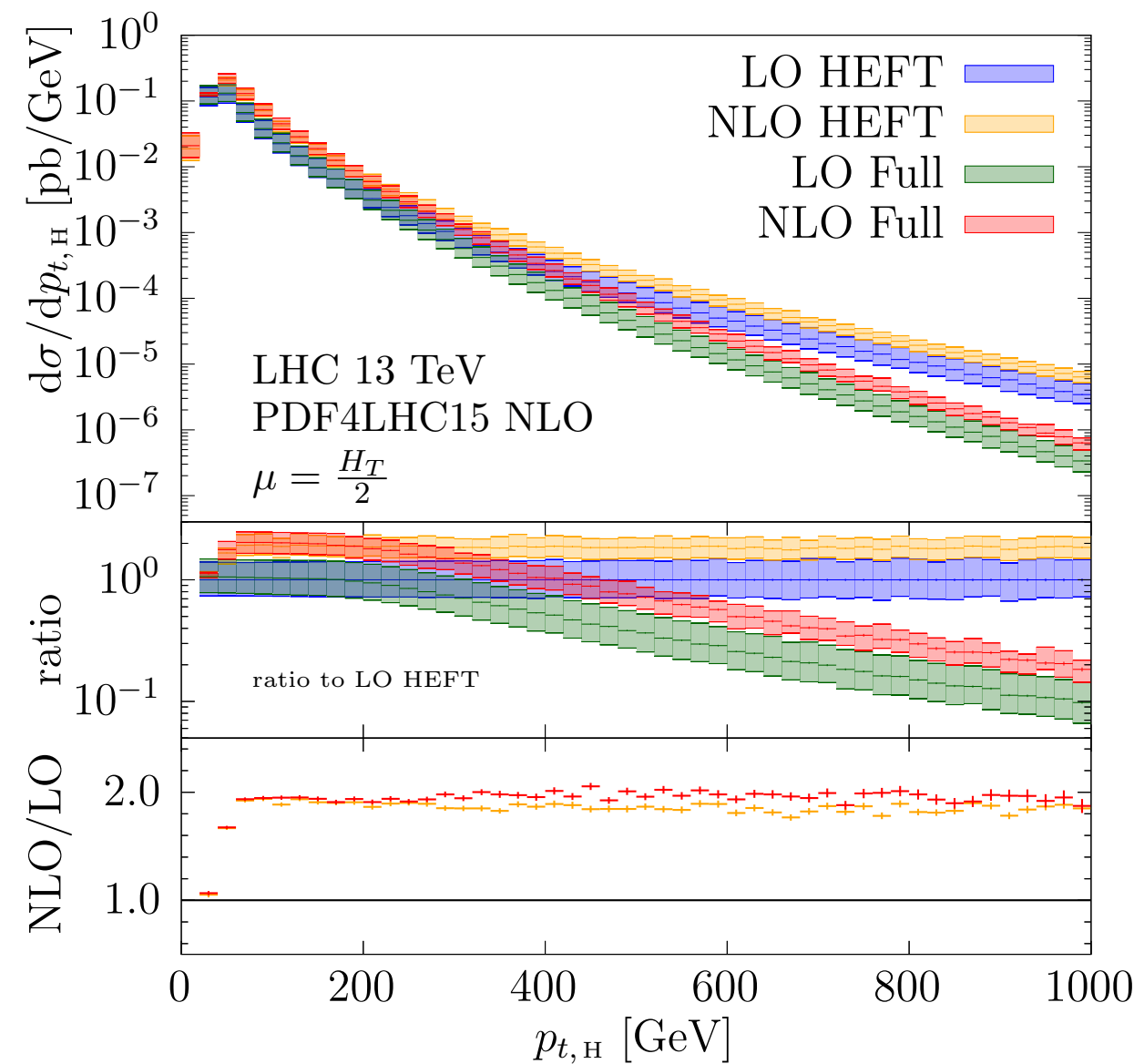


$$p_T^H \gtrsim m_t$$

- HTL not valid
- full mass effects

## NLO H+jet:

- $p_T^H \gg m_t$  [Kudashkin, Melnikov, Wever '17 + Lindert '18, Neumann '18]
- exact [Jones, Kerner, Luisoni '18]



## H+2jet @ NLO

↔ VBF background

- FT<sub>approx</sub> [Maltoni, Vryonidou, Zaro '14]

↪ exact Born & reals

(1-loop)<sup>2</sup> [OpenLoops2]

↪ approx 2-loop

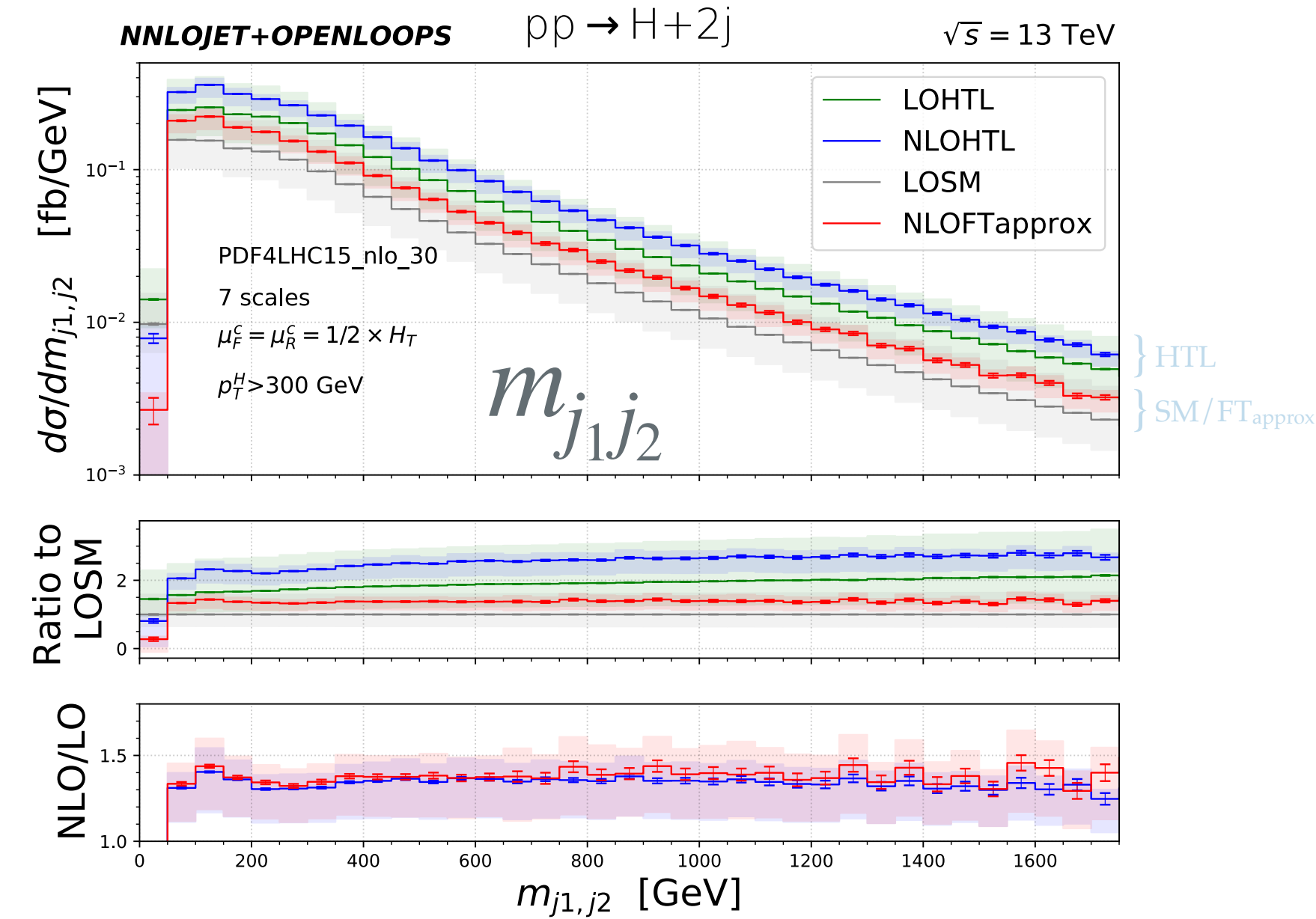
$$|\mathcal{M}_4^2(m_t, \mu_R^2; \{p\})|^2 \rightarrow |\mathcal{M}_4^1(\infty, \mu_R^2; \{p\})|^2 \frac{|\mathcal{M}_4^1(m_t; \{p\})|^2}{|\mathcal{M}_4^0(\infty; \{p\})|^2}$$

- $\mathcal{O}(50\%)$  NLO corrections

see also H+jets ⊕ PS

[Frederix, Frixione, Vryonidou, Wiesemann '16]

[Chen, AH, Jones, Kerner, Lang, Lindert, Zhang '21]



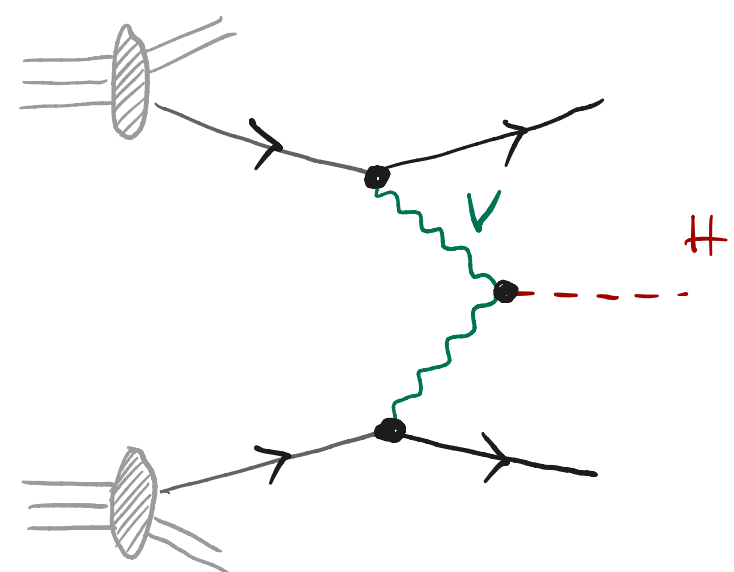
remarkable agreement  
of  $K$ -factors between  
HTL & FT<sub>approx</sub>

Future:

FT<sub>approx</sub> — H+j @ NNLO?

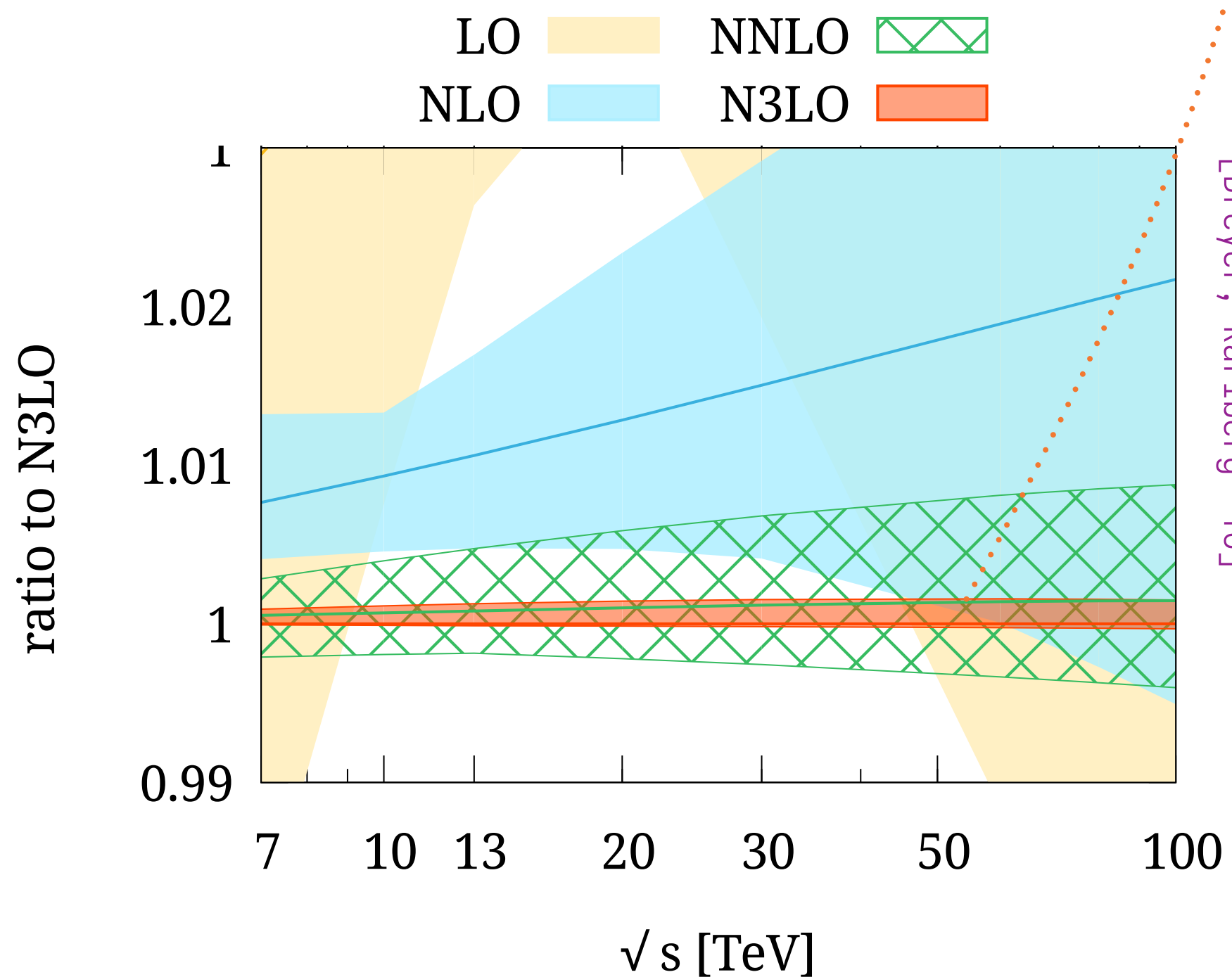
⊕ NNLO<sub>HTL</sub> ↔  $\delta(\text{scale}) \sim 10\%$  [Becker et al., LHCHSWG note '20]

# VECTOR BOSON FUSION



Inclusive  $\sigma$

known to  $N^3LO$



## Differential $d\sigma$

known to NNLO

[Cacciari, Dreyer, Karlberg, Salam, Zanderighi '15]  
[Cruz-Martinez, Glover, Gehrmann, AH '18]

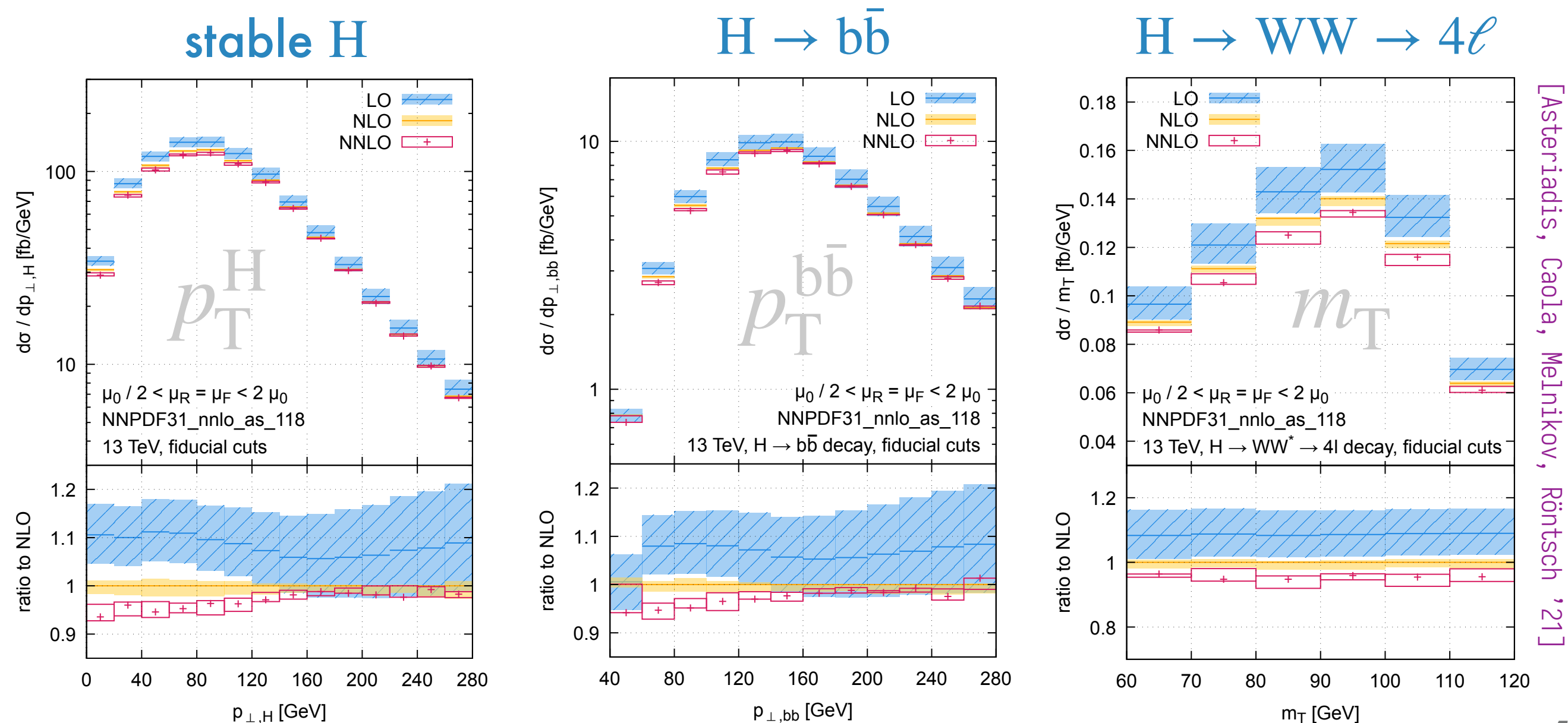
non-factorizable

[Liu, Melnikov, Penin '19]  
[Dreyer, Karlberg, Tancredi '20]

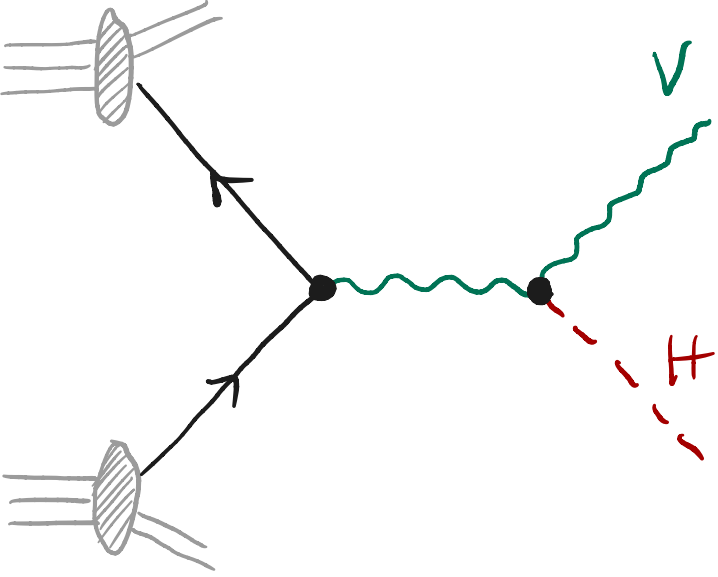
## NNLO with Higgs decays (@ LO)

$H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  —  $j_b$  acceptance  $\rightsquigarrow p_T^H \gtrsim 150$  GeV

$H \rightarrow WW$  — flat acceptances

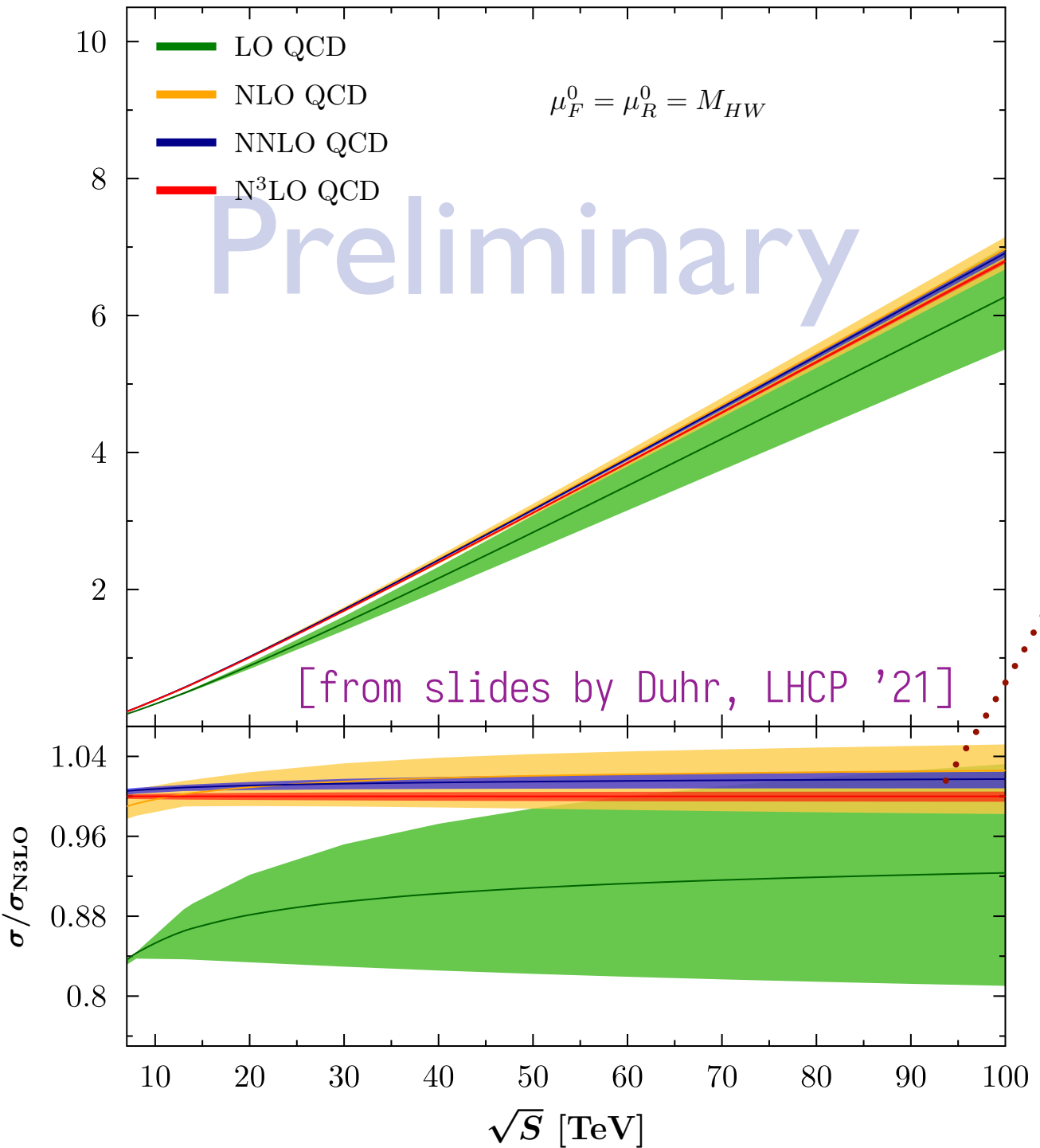


# HIGGS STRAHLUNG



▶ Inclusive  $\sigma$   
 ↪ soon known to **N<sup>3</sup>LO**?

$pp \rightarrow W^- H + X$  | PDF4LHC15



## VH+jet @ NNLO

↔ signal modelling

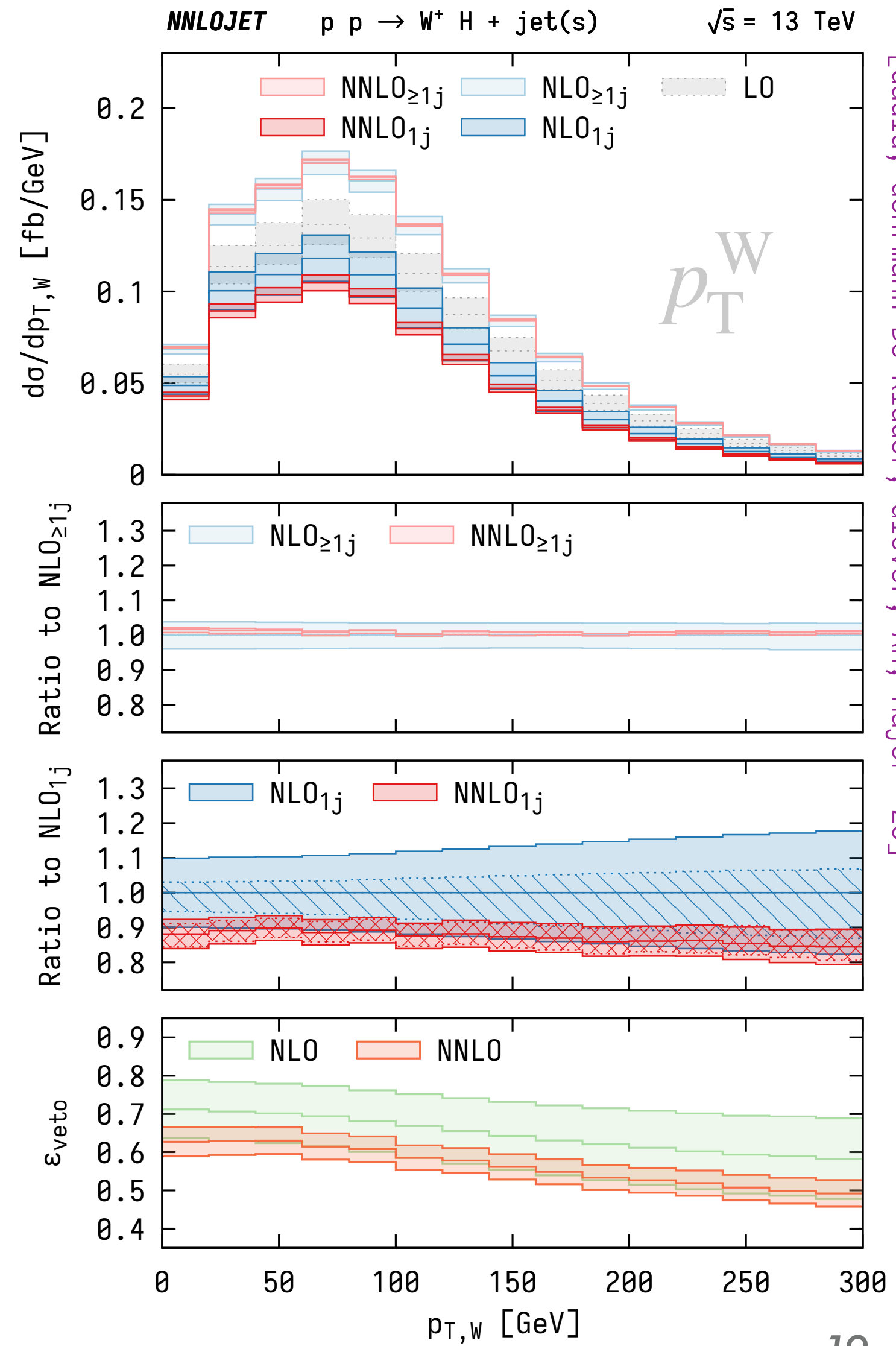
● inclusive ( $n_{\text{jets}} \geq 1$ )  
 excellent convergence

● exclusive ( $n_{\text{jets}} \equiv 1$ )  
 -10% ( $\Delta_{1j} \sim 5\%$ )

$$\sigma_{1j} \equiv \sigma_{\geq 1j} - \sigma_{\geq 2j} \quad [\text{Stuart, Tackmann '12}]$$

$$\Delta_{1j}^2 = \Delta_{\geq 1j}^2 + \Delta_{\geq 2j}^2$$

Future: differential VH @ N<sup>3</sup>LO?

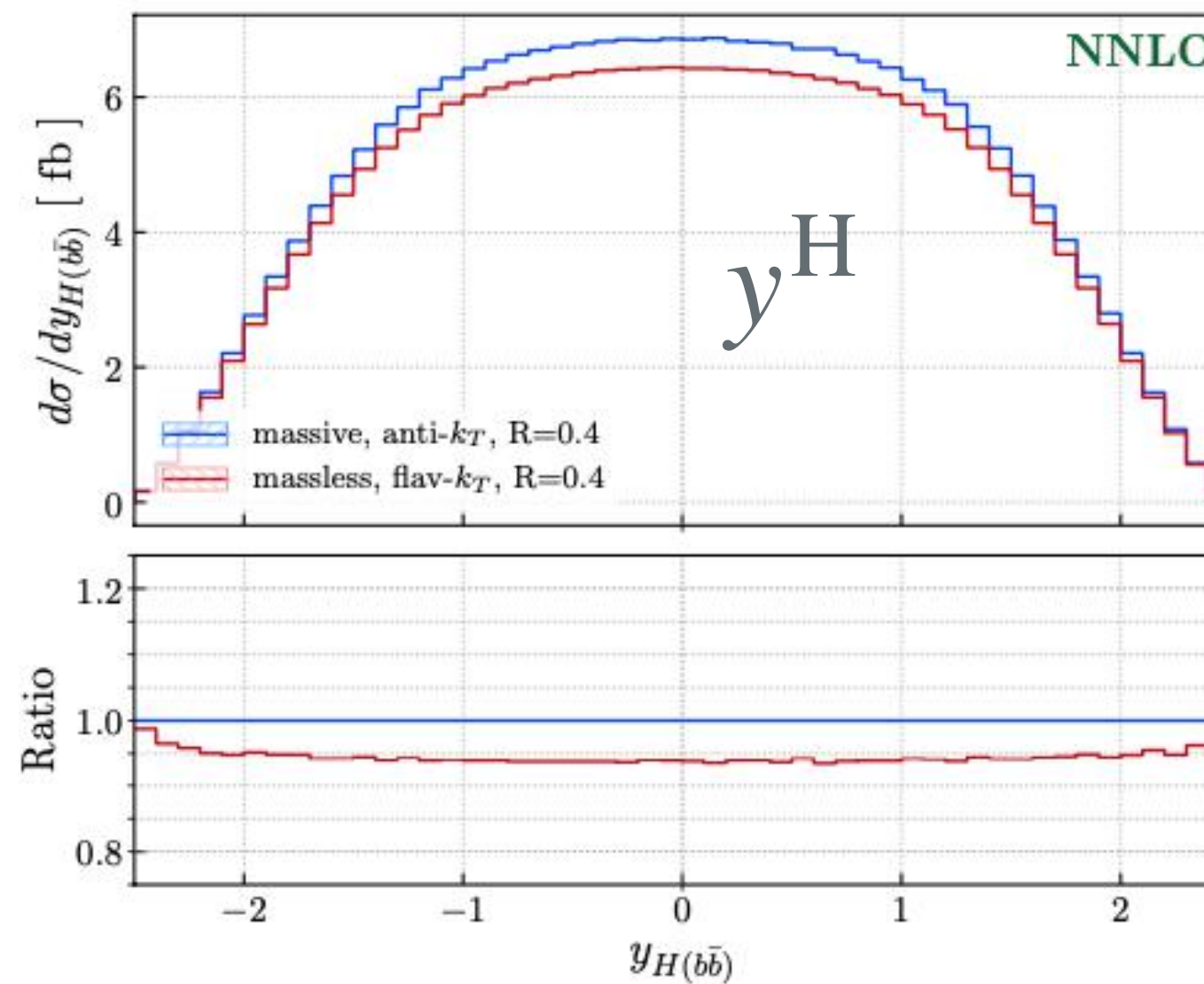


[Gauld, Gehrmann-De Ridder, Glover, AH, Majer '20]

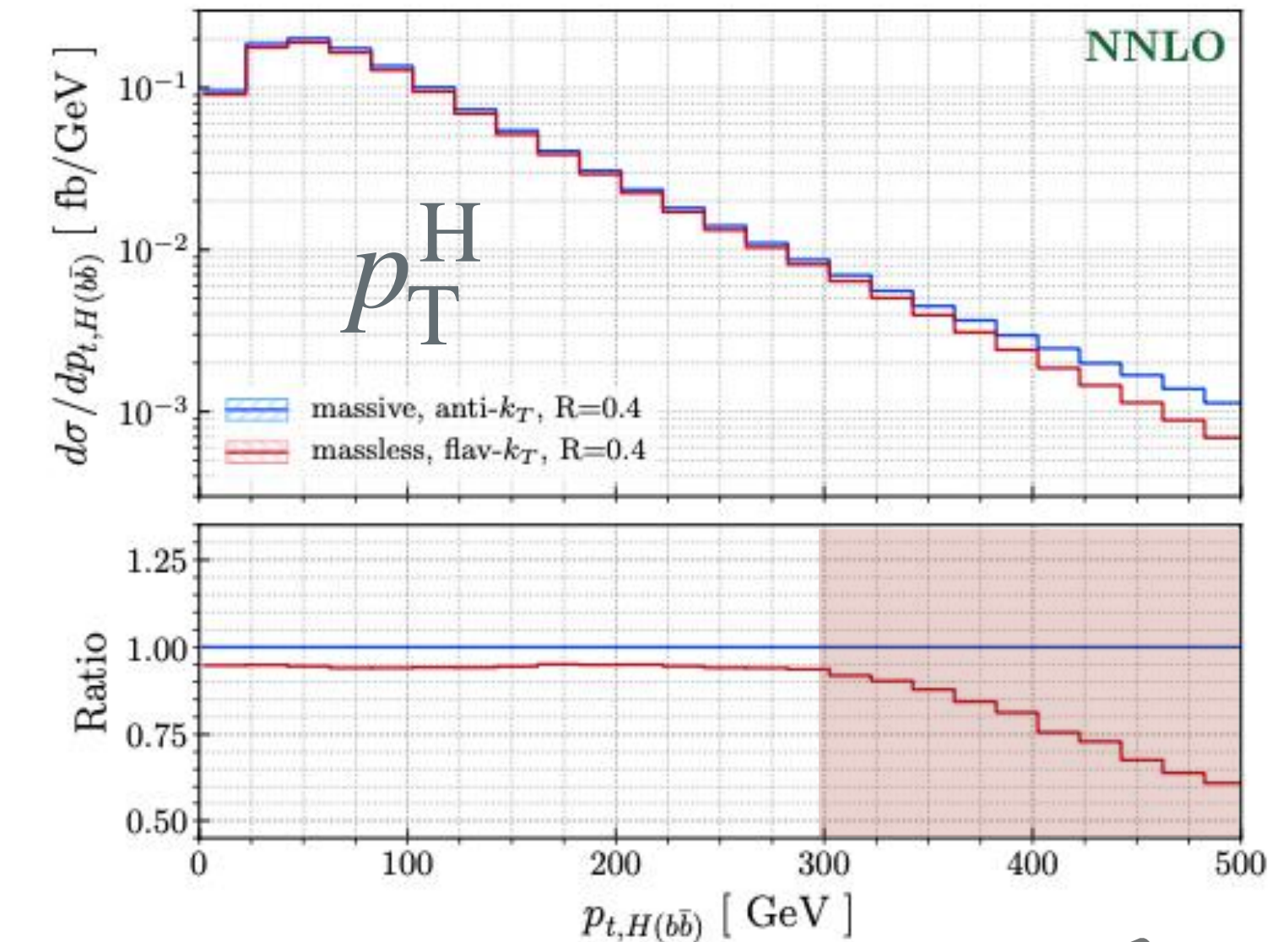
# BOTTOM-QUARK MASS EFFECTS WH ( $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ )

## Why $m_b$ ?

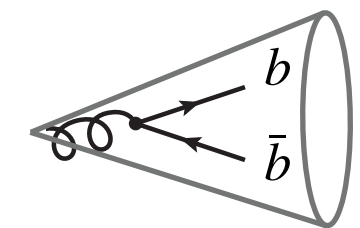
- non-singular  $g^* \rightarrow b\bar{b}$   
 $\hookrightarrow$  can use anti- $k_T$  (flavour- $k_T$ )
- $\mathcal{O}(y_t y_b)$  interference  
 $\hookrightarrow$  minor (sub-percent)
- distributions sensitive to  $m_b$



[Behring, Bizoń, Caola, Melnikov, Röntsch '20]



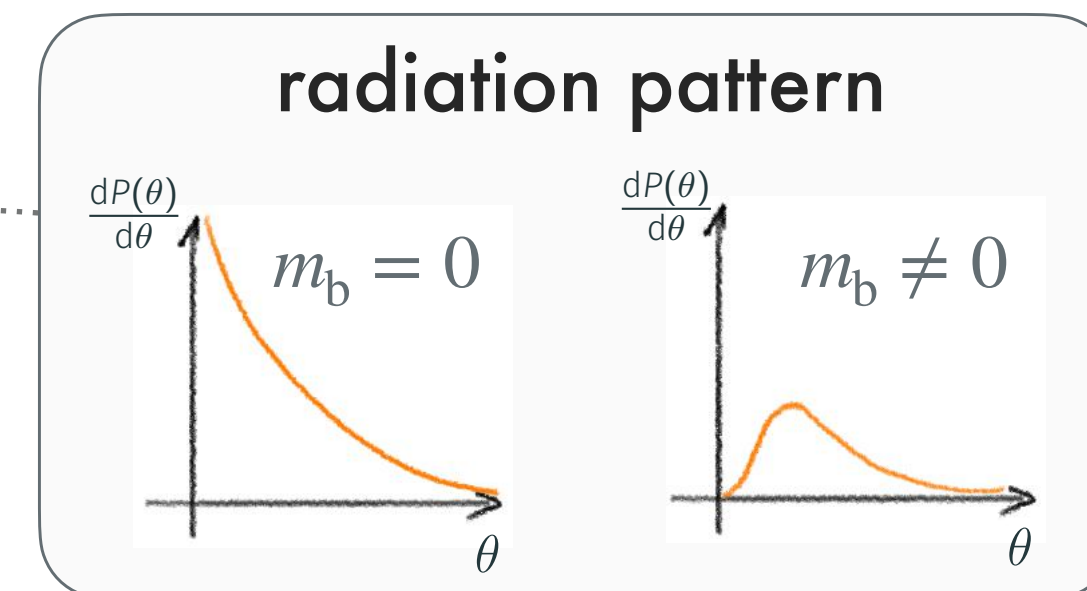
inclusive  $\rightsquigarrow$  re-scaling



## Fiducial cross sections

Order	$b$ quarks	$\sigma_{\text{fid}}$ [fb]	$\sigma_{\text{fid}}(\text{boosted})$ [fb]
NNLO	massive	$24.225(4)^{+0.642}_{-0.742}$	$4.530(2)^{+0.071}_{-0.096}$
	massless	$22.781(3)^{+0.791}_{-0.898}$	$4.207(1)^{+0.097}_{-0.116}$

acceptance



flav- $k_T$  clusters earlier

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