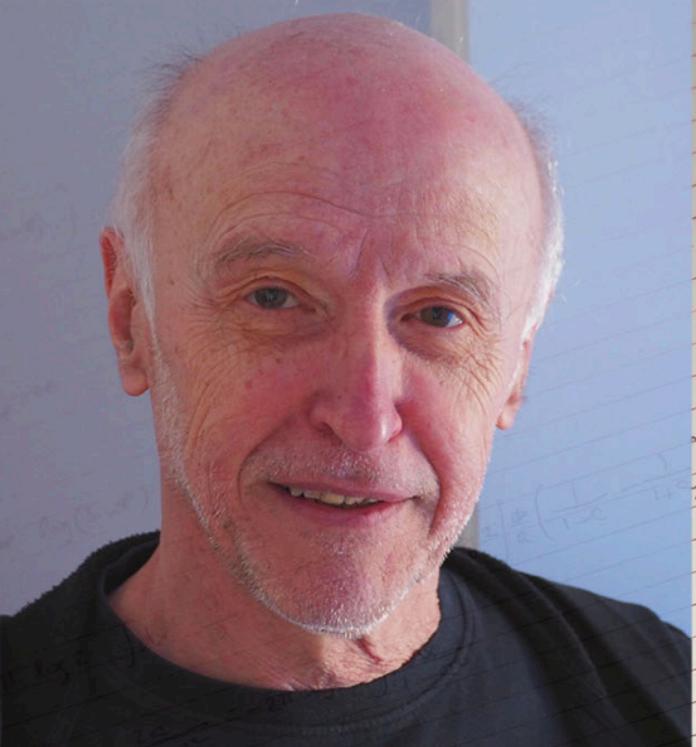


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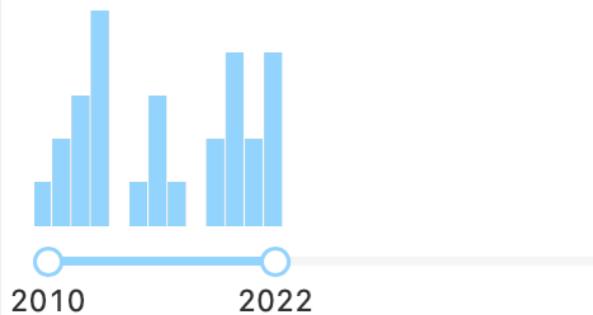
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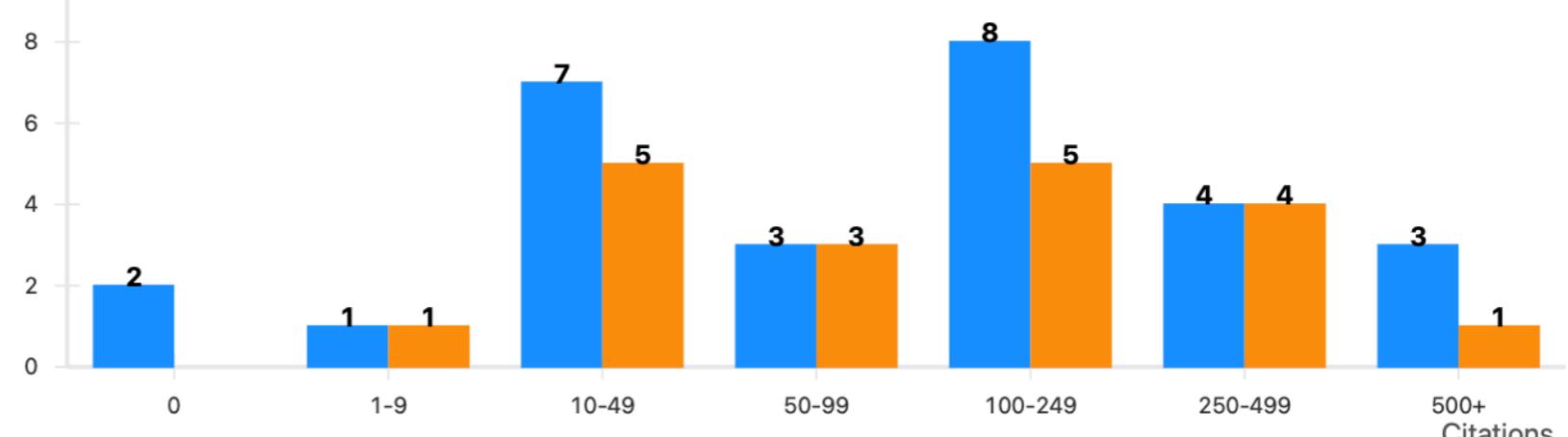
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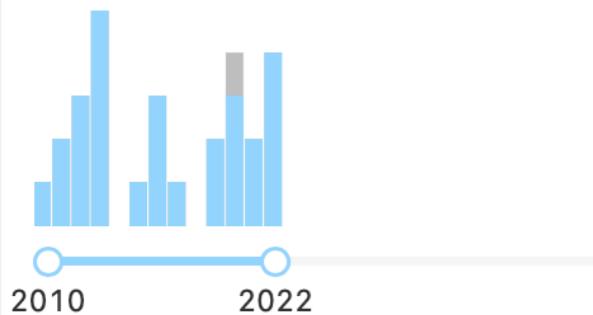
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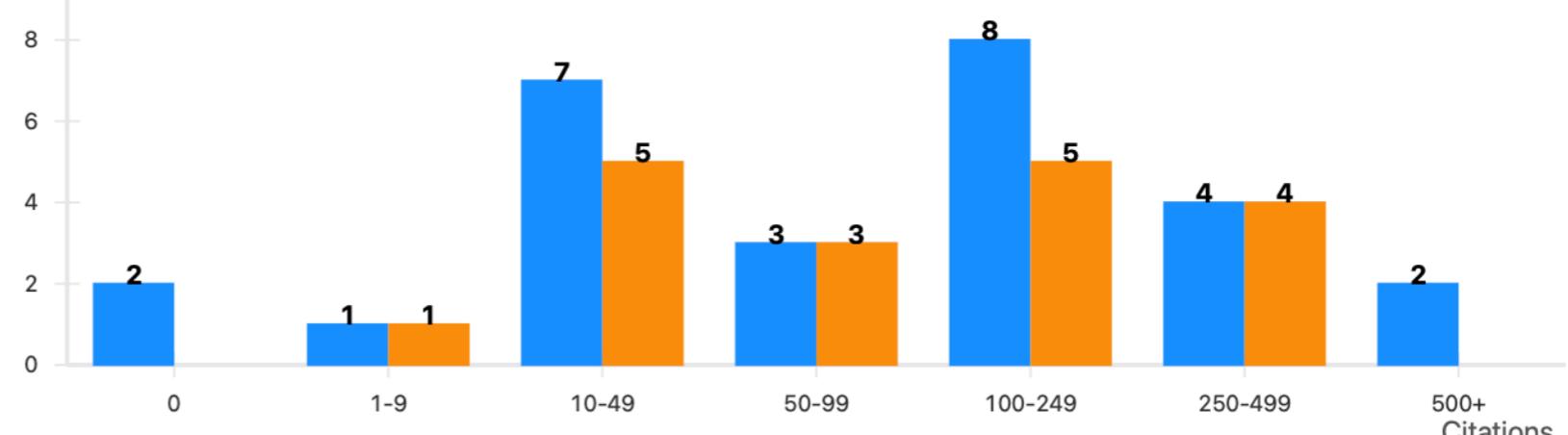
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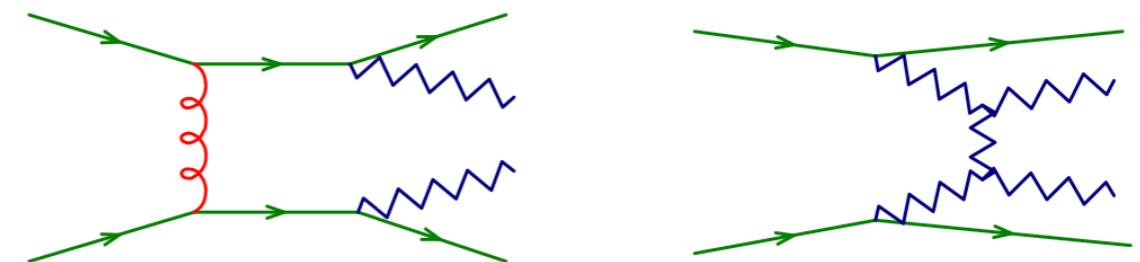
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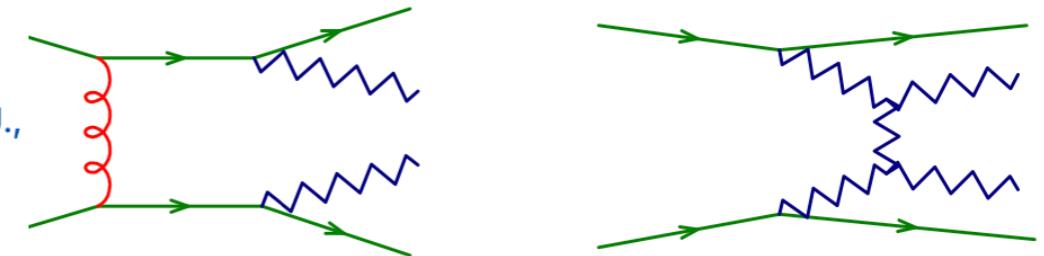
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- calculation of virtual corrections very slow hard to compute reliable upper bounds
- with very low generation efficiency

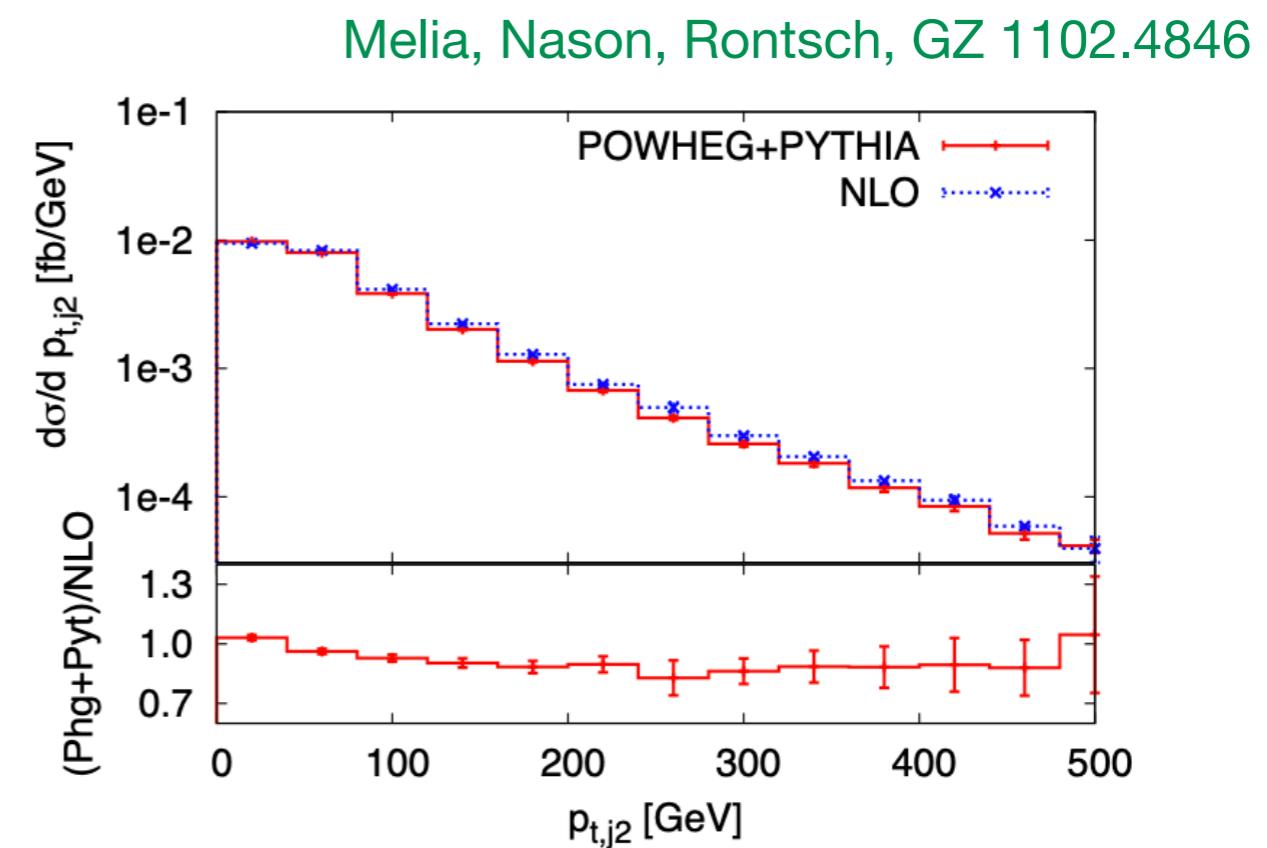
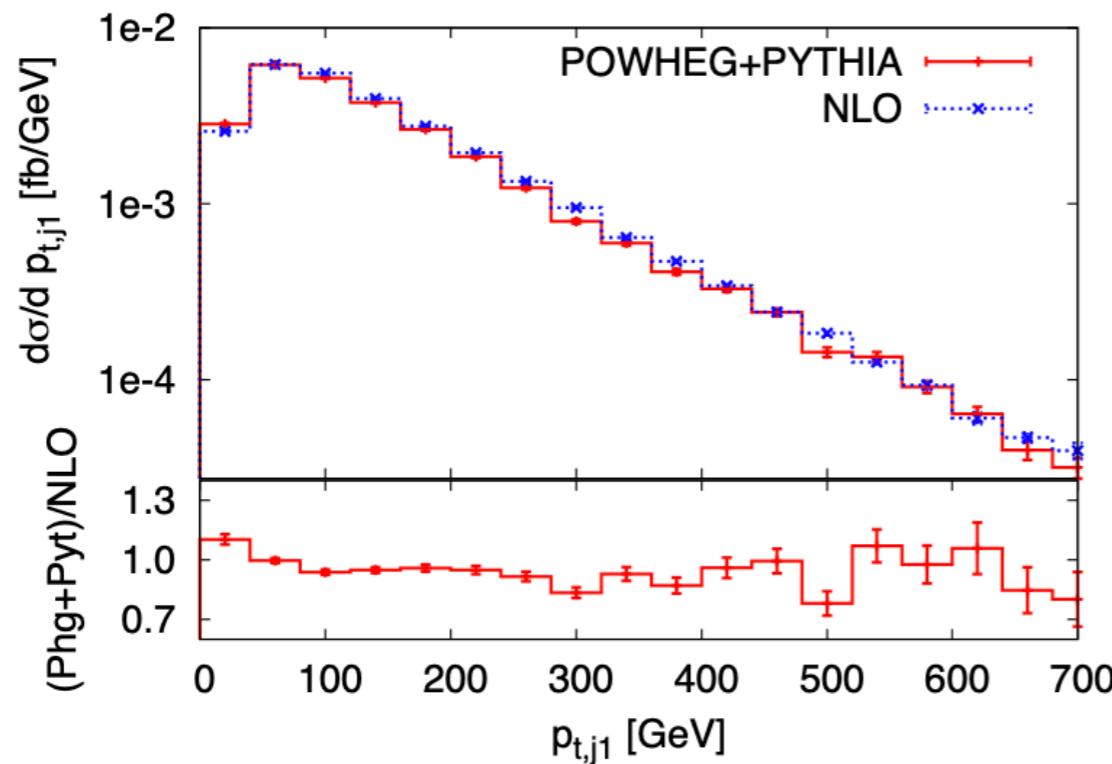
Both problems solved by adding new features/options to the **POWHEG BOX** which are now largely standard

### A. Raising the generation efficiency

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# My first work with Paolo

## Sample results



- A work that set the ground to the implementation of more complicated process in the POWHEG BOX
- For myself: the beginning of a long lasting collaboration with Paolo

# MiNNLOps

# POWHEG

A New method for combining NLO QCD with shower Monte Carlo algorithms #1

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# POWHEG

**POWHEG:** hardest emission generator at NLO accuracy,  
events subsequently fed to parton shower for softer radiation  
to achieve NLO+PS accuracy

[Nason'04; Frixione, Nason, Oleari, '07; Alioli, Nason, Oleari, Re'10]

POWHEG master formula:

$$d\sigma = d\Phi_B \bar{B} \left[ \Delta_{\text{pwg}}(\Lambda) + \Delta_{\text{pwg}}(p_T) \frac{R}{B} d\Phi_{\text{rad}} \right]$$

$$\bar{B} = B + V + \int d\Phi_{\text{rad}} R$$

$$\Delta_{\text{pwg}}(p_T) = \exp \left[ - \int d\Phi_{\text{rad}} \frac{R}{B} \theta(p_T(\phi_{\text{rad}}) - p_T) \right]$$

# SINLO: Sudakov Improved NLO

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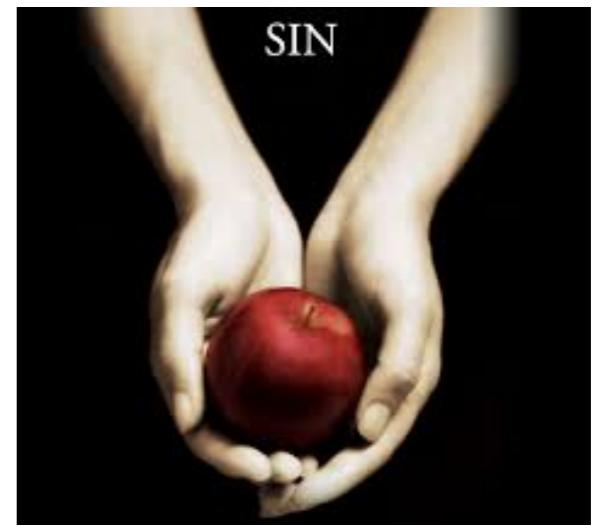
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[Hamilton, Nason, GZ '12]

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**MiNLO':** adjustment of the Sudakov form factor such that the inclusive cross-section is NLO accurate (requires  $B_2$  resummation coefficient and appropriate scale setting)

[Hamilton, Nason, Oleari, GZ '12]

	F+2j	F+jet	F
Fj-MiNLO	LO	NLO	NLO

⇒ see talk by Keith Hamilton

# NNLOPS

For Higgs production, the Born kinematics is fully specified by the Higgs rapidity. Consider the following distributions:

$$\left( \frac{d\sigma}{dy} \right)_{\text{NNLO}} \xrightarrow{\quad} \text{inclusive Higgs rapidity computed at NNLO}$$

$$\left( \frac{d\sigma}{dy} \right)_{\text{HJ-MiNLO}} \xrightarrow{\quad} \text{inclusive Higgs rapidity from H+1jet-MiNLO}$$

Since H+1jet-MiNLO (HJ-MiNLO) is NLO accurate, it follows that

$$\frac{\left( \frac{d\sigma}{dy} \right)_{\text{NNLO}}}{\left( \frac{d\sigma}{dy} \right)_{\text{HJ-MiNLO}}} = \frac{c_2 \alpha_s^2 + c_3 \alpha_s^3 + c_4 \alpha_s^4}{c_2 \alpha_s^2 + c_3 \alpha_s^3 + d_4 \alpha_s^4} \approx 1 + \frac{c_4 - d_4}{c_2} \alpha_s^2 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3)$$

Thus, reweighting HJ-MiNLO events with this factor, and applying a parton shower to the events, one obtains NNLO+PS accuracy

# Variants of the method

Variants of the method are possible. One splits the cross-section as

$$d\sigma = d\sigma_A + d\sigma_B \quad d\sigma_A = d\sigma \cdot h(p_T) \quad d\sigma_B = d\sigma \cdot (1 - h(p_T))$$

with  $h$  a function between 1 and 0, e.g.  $h(p_T) = \frac{(cm_H)^\gamma}{(cm_H)^\gamma + p_T^\gamma}$

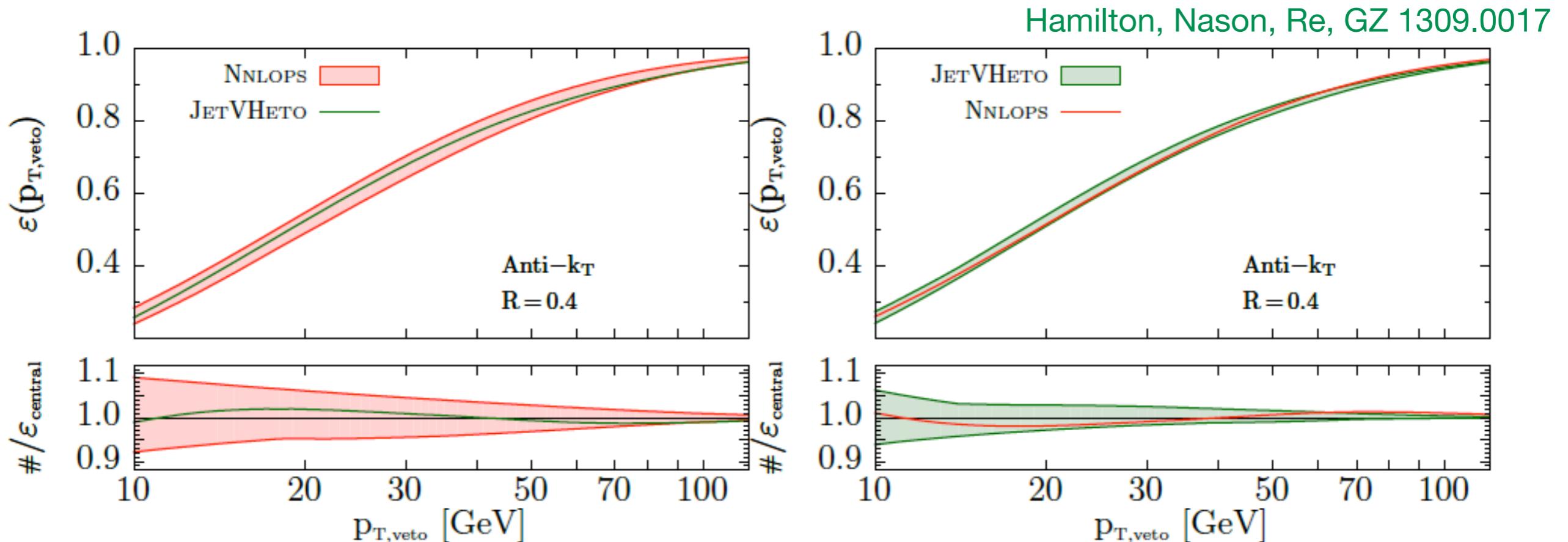
And one can re-weight the HJ-MiNLO events with the factor

$$\mathcal{W}(y, p_T) = h(p_T) \frac{\int d\sigma^{\text{NNLO}} \delta(y - y(\Phi)) - \int d\sigma_B^{\text{MINLO}} \delta(y - y(\Phi))}{\int d\sigma_A^{\text{MINLO}} \delta(y - y(\Phi))} + (1 - h(p_T))$$

The idea is to distribute the virtual correction only in the low- $p_t$  region (in the high  $p_t$  region no improvement) and to preserve exactly the NNLO rapidity distribution

# NNLOPS results

Jet-veto efficiency: validation from comparison to JetVHeto



- JetVHeto: NNLO+NNLL
- agreement at the level of 2-3% everywhere

[Banfi, Salam, Monni, GZ]

# NNLOPS: other processes

Key ingredient of NNLOPS is the reweighting to the Born phase space

	Dimension of $[\phi_B]$	Improvements
Higgs	1	
Drell Yan	3	2 angles parametrised with 8 Collins-Soper coeffs.
HW/HZ	4	8 CS coeffs. + 2 variables
WW	9	64 CS coeffs + 4 variables

It is clear that the need for an a-posteriori reweighting, besides being impractical, becomes the limiting feature of the approach

# MiNNLOps

[Monni, Nason, Re, Wiesemann, GZ '20; Monni, Re, Wiesemann, '20]

**MiNNLOps:** further modification of MiNLO' formula to obtain

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Starting point of MiNNLOPS is the transverse momentum resummation formula for colour singlet production, differential in the Born phase space

$$d\sigma^{(\text{sing})} \sim d\sigma_{c\bar{c}}^{(0)} \times \exp[-S_c(b)] \times [H C_1 C_2]_{c\bar{c};a_1 a_2} \times f_{a_1} f_{a_2}$$

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$$d\sigma_F^{\text{res}} = \frac{d}{dp_T} \{ e^{-S} \mathcal{L} \} = e^{-S} \underbrace{\{-S' \mathcal{L} + \mathcal{L}'\}}_{\equiv D}$$

$\mathcal{L}$ : luminosity factor, computed up to NNLO (includes hard virtual matrix elements for F and convolution of collinear coefficient functions with PDFs)

S: Sudakov form factor

# MiNNLO<sub>PS</sub>

Match to fixed order, *keeping the Sudakov factored out*

$$\begin{aligned} d\sigma_F^{\text{res}} + [d\sigma_{FJ}]_{\text{f.o.}} - [d\sigma_F^{\text{res}}]_{\text{f.o.}} &= e^{-S} \left\{ D + [d\sigma_{FJ}]_{\text{f.o.}} \underbrace{\frac{1}{[e^{-S}]_{\text{f.o.}}}}_{1+S^{(1)}\dots} - \underbrace{\frac{[d\sigma_F^{\text{res}}]_{\text{f.o.}}}{[e^{-S}]_{\text{f.o.}}}}_{-D^{(1)}-D^{(2)}\dots} \right\} \\ &= e^{-S} \left\{ d\sigma_{FJ}^{(1)} (1 + S^{(1)}) + d\sigma_{FJ}^{(2)} \right\} + \boxed{\left( D - D^{(1)} - D^{(2)} \right)} \end{aligned}$$

Nothing but the  
MiNLO formula

New terms required to preserve  
the NNLO accuracy

Results in the MiNNLO<sub>PS</sub> formula for  $\bar{B}$

$$\bar{B}^{\text{MiNNLO}_{\text{PS}}} \sim e^{-S} \left\{ d\sigma_{FJ}^{(1)} (1 + S^{(1)}) + d\sigma_{FJ}^{(2)} + \left( D - D^{(1)} - D^{(2)} \right) \times F^{\text{corr}} \right\}$$

$F^{\text{corr}}$ : factor required to spread the “D”-terms in the full FJ phase space

# MiNNLOps

Note that  $(D - D^{(1)} - D^{(2)}) = \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3 L)$  (1)

but these terms contribute at NNLO since

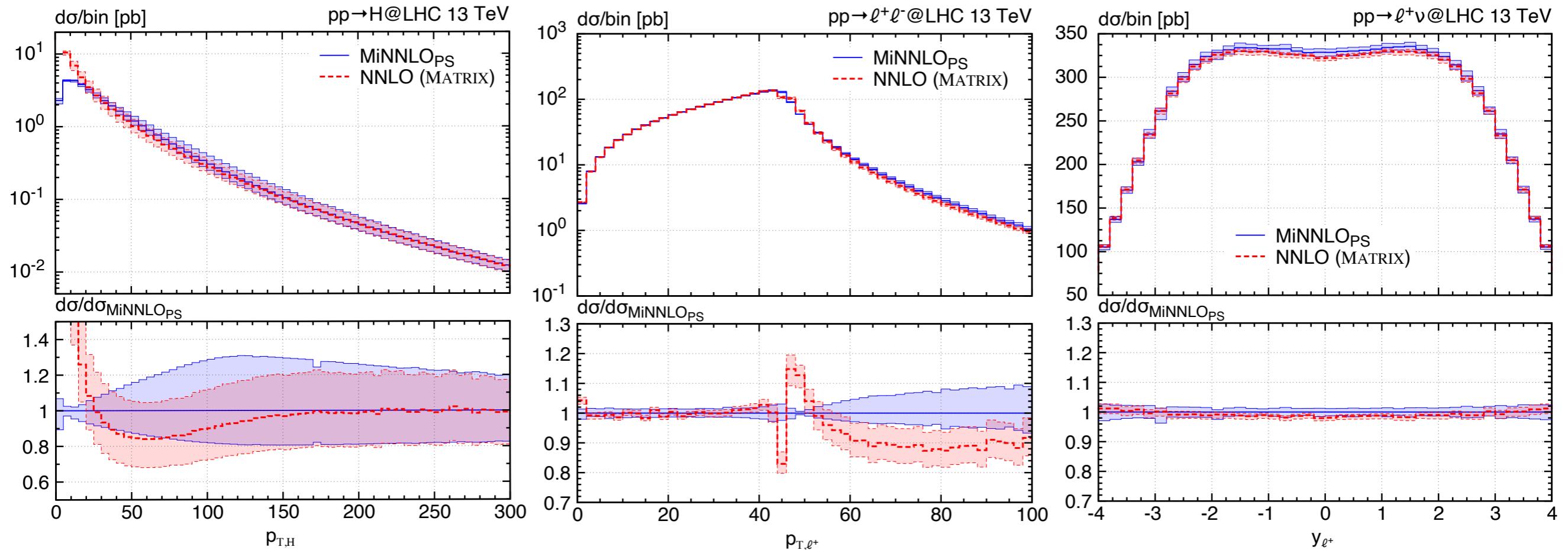
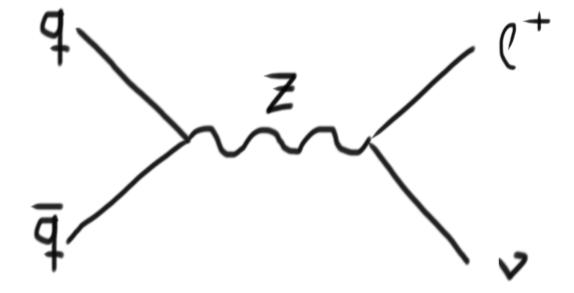
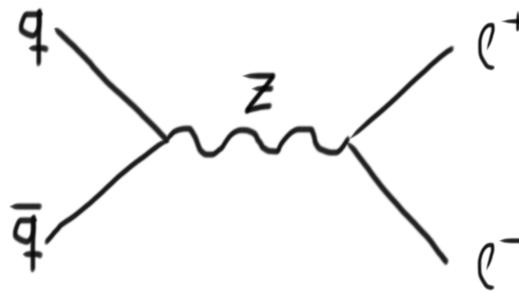
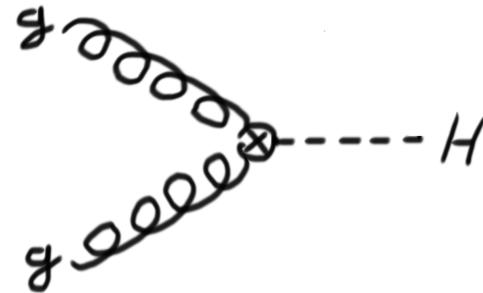
$$\int dL \alpha_s^n L^m e^{-\alpha_s L^2} = \alpha_s^{n-(m+1)/2}$$

⇒ Setting  $n = 3$  and  $m=1$  one obtains a NNLO contribution

Two remarks:

- all  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3)$  terms required are those already present in a NNLO matched resummed calculation
- it is possible to either expand (1) and keep only terms of  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3)$  or include all higher-order terms. The latter choice is preferred since it preserved the total derivative.

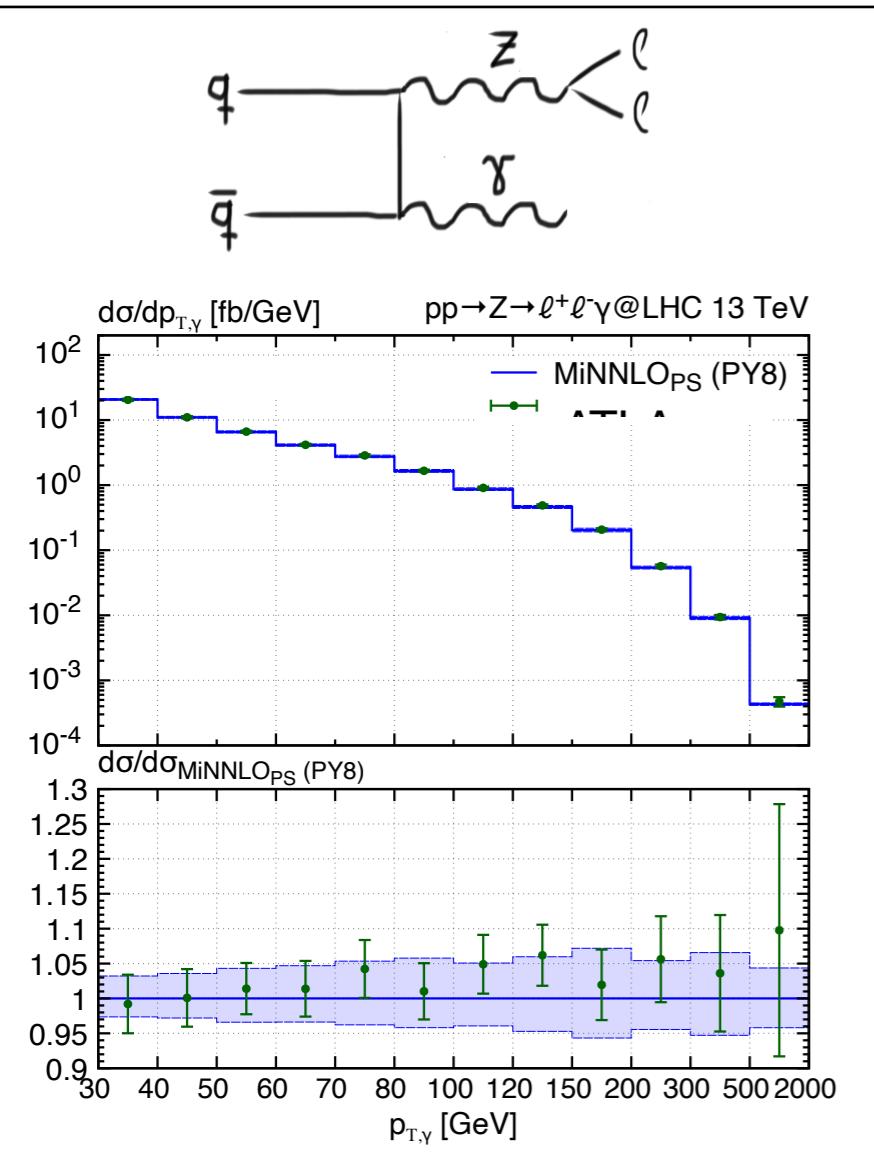
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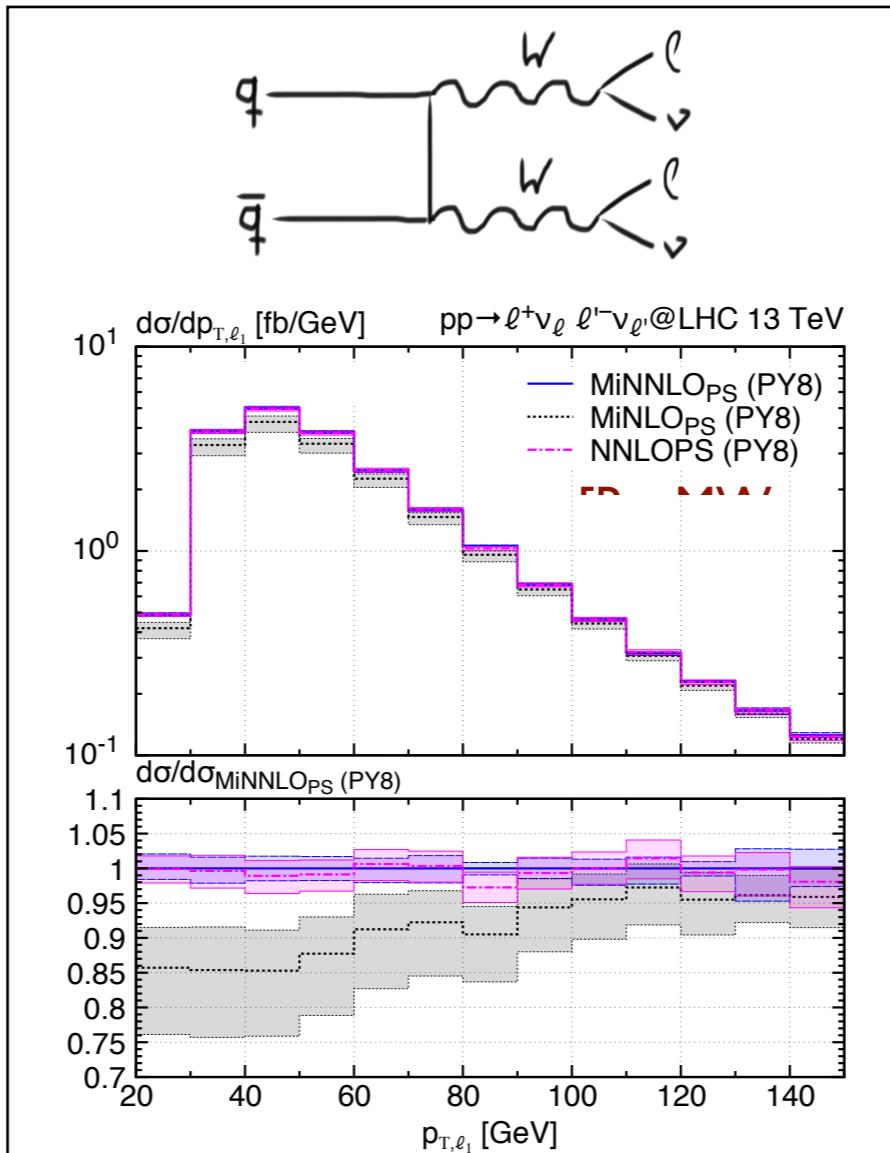
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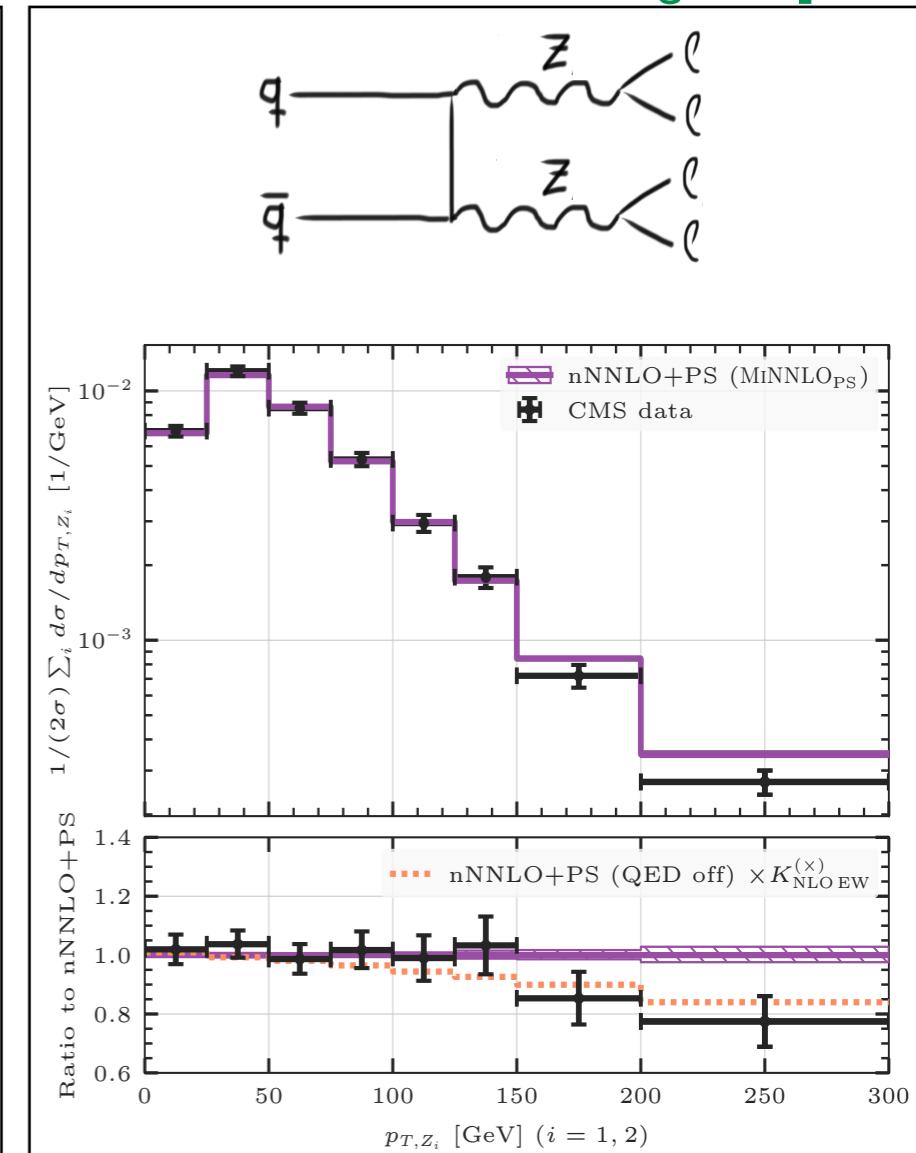
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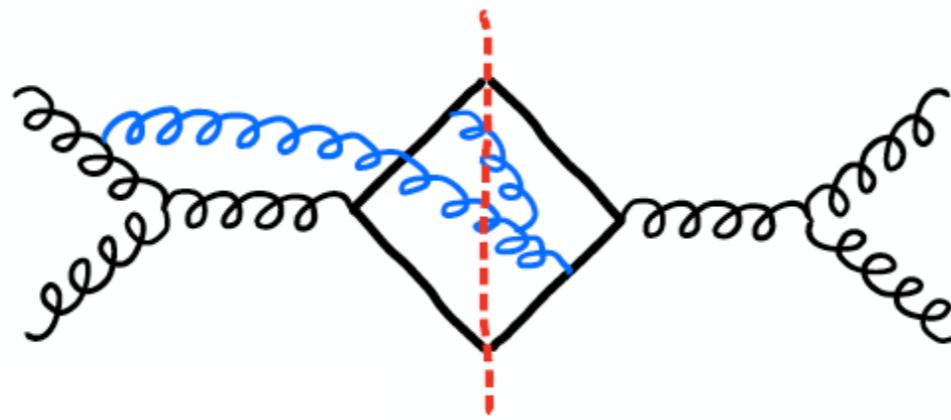


[Buonocore, Koole, Lombardi, Rottoli, MW, Zanderighi '21]



also  $\gamma\gamma$  production [Gavardi, Oleari, Re '22] and  $VH$  with  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  in SM [Zanolini, Chiesa, Re, MW, Zanderighi '21] and in SMEFT [Haisch, MW, Zanderighi, Zanolini '22]

# MiNNLOps for tt



The resummation for top-pair production is more complicated and involves ISR, FSR and interference (soft, large angle). Since there are 4 emitters, it involves matrices/vectors in colour space (denoted in bold):

[Catani, Grazzini, Torre '14]

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d^2\vec{p}_T d\Phi_{t\bar{t}}} = \sum_{c=q,\bar{q},g} \frac{|M_{c\bar{c}}^{(0)}|^2}{2m_{t\bar{t}}^2} \int \frac{d^2\vec{b}}{(2\pi)^2} e^{i\vec{b}\cdot\vec{p}_T} e^{-S_c\left(\frac{b_0}{b}\right)}$$

$$\times \sum_{i,j} \text{Tr}(\mathbf{H}_c \Delta) (\mathbf{C}_{ci} \otimes f_i) (\mathbf{C}_{cj} \otimes f_j)$$

Diagram illustrating the components of the cross-section formula:

- Born**: Represented by a blue rounded rectangle.
- Sudakov**: Represented by an orange rounded rectangle.
- Hard function**: Represented by a light blue rounded rectangle.
- Soft large angle (quantum interference)**: Represented by a red rounded rectangle.
- Collinear coefficients**: Represented by a green rounded rectangle.
- Parton distribution functions**: Represented by a pink rounded rectangle.

Arrows indicate the flow from the Born term to the Sudakov term, and from the Sudakov term to the other components. Arrows also point from the Hard function and Collinear coefficients back to the Born term, indicating they are part of the Born contribution.

# MiNNLOps for tt

The goal:

*write the previous equation as a total derivative, up to higher-order terms.*

Not trivial, but can be achieved with suitable rotations in colour space and expansions

Note: the logarithmic accuracy beyond LL does not need to be preserved and only NNLO singular terms must be kept

Input required to obtain the correct (azimuthally averaged) NNLO result available

[Catani, Devoto, Grazzini, Kallweit, Mazzitelli, Sargsyan '19]

# MiNNLOps for tt

The above procedure leads to our master formula for top-pair production:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dp_T d\Phi_{t\bar{t}}} = \frac{d}{dp_T} \left\{ \sum_c \frac{e^{-\tilde{S}_c(p_T)}}{2m_{t\bar{t}}^2} \langle M_{c\bar{c}}^{(0)} | (\mathbf{V}_{\text{NLL}})^\dagger \mathbf{V}_{\text{NLL}} | M_{c\bar{c}}^{(0)} \rangle \sum_{i,j} \left[ \text{Tr}(\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_c \mathbf{D}) (\tilde{C}_{ci} \otimes f_i) (\tilde{C}_{\bar{c}j} \otimes f_j) \right]_\phi \right\} + R_f + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^5)$$

$\mathbf{V}_{\text{NLL}}$  encodes leading effects of  $\Delta$  and “tilde” denotes a suitable modification of the given function.

all details in Mazzitelli, Monni, Nason, Re, Wiesemann, GZ 2012.14267, 2112.12135

The integral in  $p_T$  of the above equation provides NNLO accurate description of top-pair production, differential in the Born phase space, and provides the standard basis on how to modify the POWHEG  $\bar{B}$ -function of the ttJ generator.

Extension to bb-production in progress

Mazzitelli, Ratti, Wiesemann, GZ 22xx.xxxx

# Numerical results

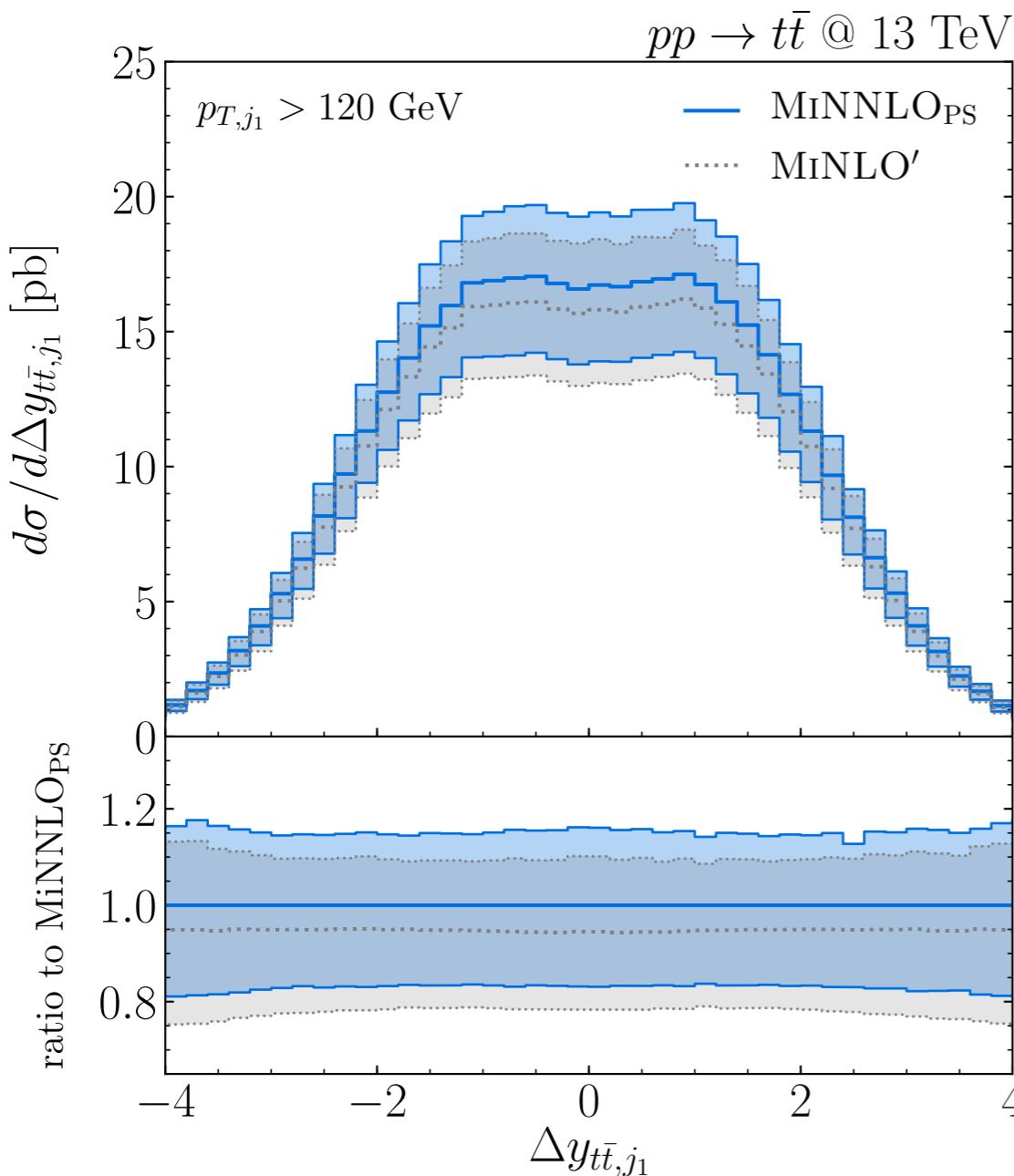
## Settings:

- 13 TeV LHC collisions
- Scale setting:
  - Overall scales in Born:  $\alpha_s(\mu_R^0)$  with  $\mu_R^0 = H_T^{tt}/4 = \frac{1}{4} \left( \sqrt{m_t^2 + p_{T,t}^2} + \sqrt{m_{\bar{t}}^2 + p_{T,\bar{t}}^2} \right)$
  - MiNNLOPS scales:  $\mu_R^0 = \mu_F^0 = m_{tt} e^{-L}$
  - We use a new form of modified logarithm  $L \equiv \begin{cases} \ln \frac{Q}{p_T} & \text{if } p_T \leq \frac{Q}{2}, \\ \ln \left( a_0 + a_1 \frac{p_T}{Q} + a_2 \left( \frac{p_T}{Q} \right)^2 \right) & \text{if } \frac{Q}{2} < p_T \leq Q \\ 0 & \text{if } p_T > Q, \end{cases}$
  - Standard 7-point scale variation
  - Shower done by Pythia 8 (Monash tune, dipole recoil)
  - Comparison to data unfolded to inclusive tt and fiducial top-decay phase space

# Numerical results

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## Distance in rapidity between jet and top-system



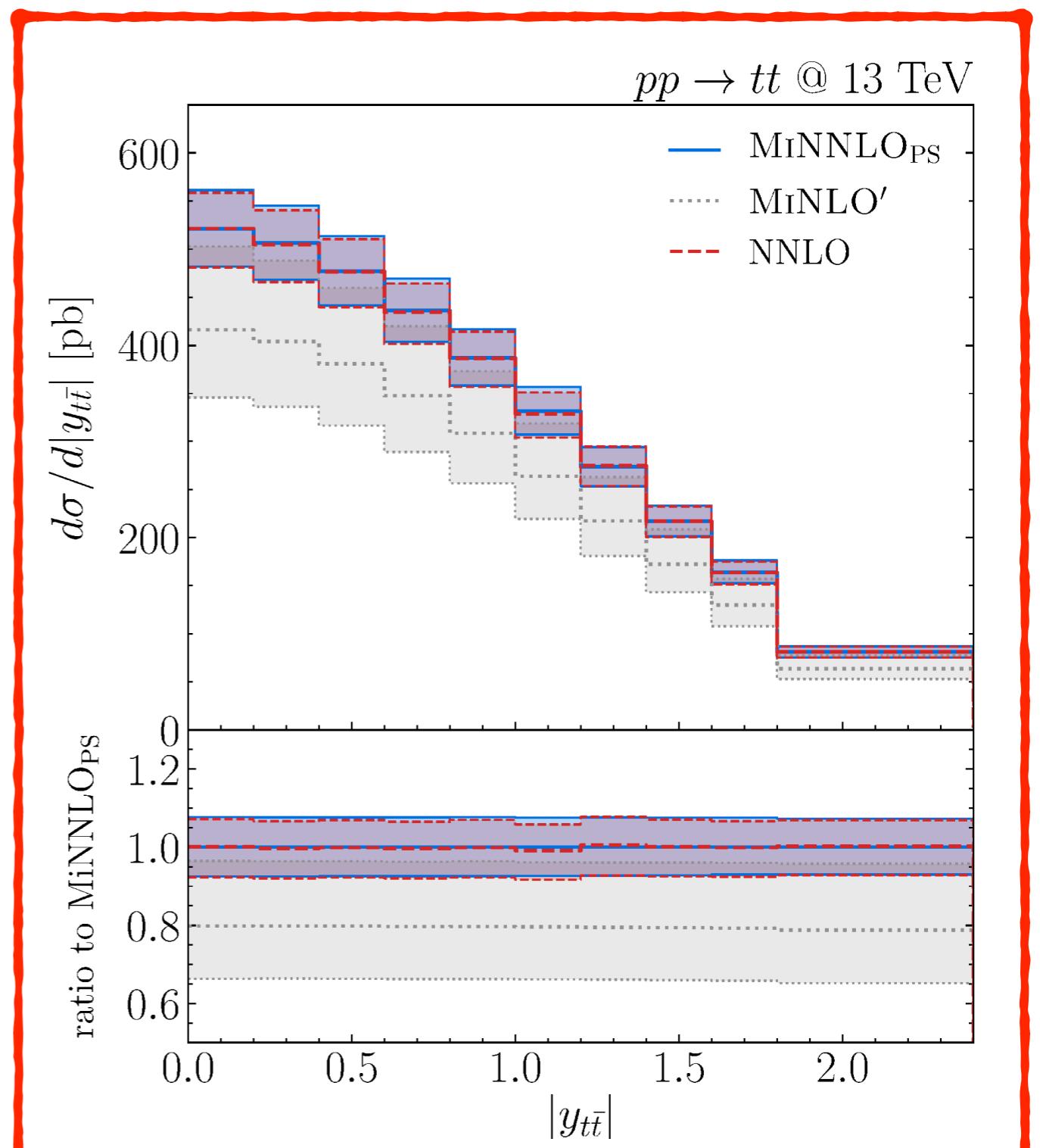
- Large  $p_{T,j_1}$ -cut to be insensitive to NNLO effects
- Good agreement with MiNLO' and MiNNLO<sub>PS</sub> (both NLO accurate)

# Numerical results

## Total cross section

MiNLO'	NNLO	MiNNLO <sub>PS</sub>
$572.9(2)^{+21\%}_{-17\%}$ pb	$719.1(8)^{+7.0\%}_{-7.6\%}$ pb	$719.8(2)^{+7.6\%}_{-7.4\%}$ pb

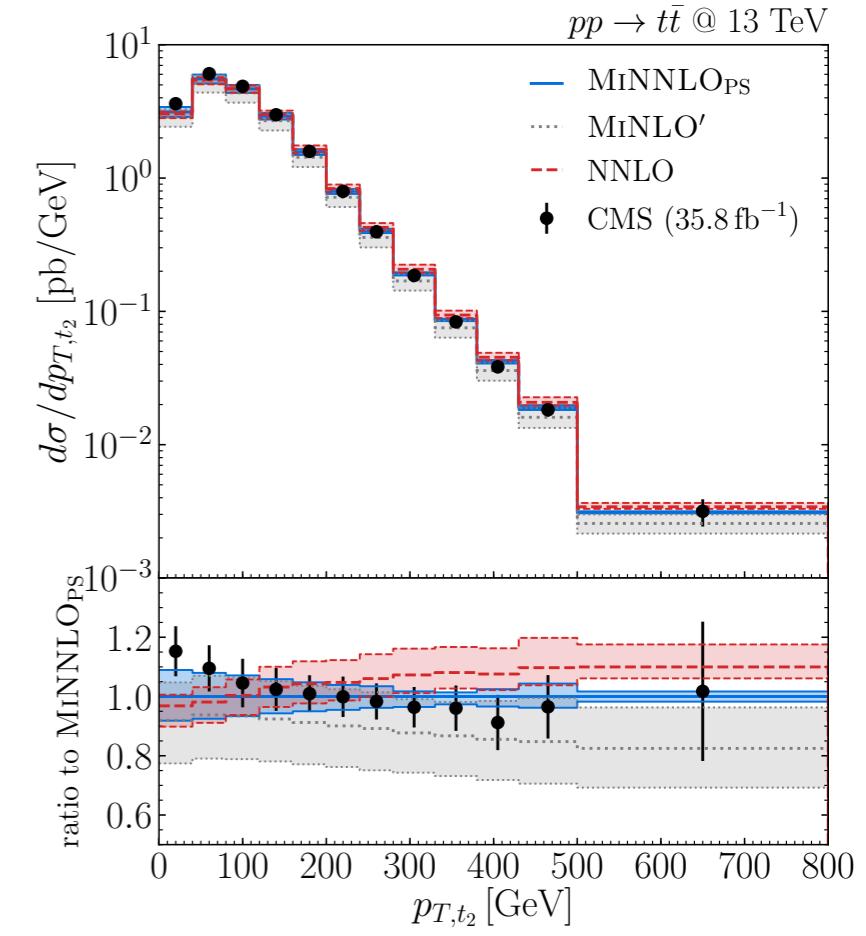
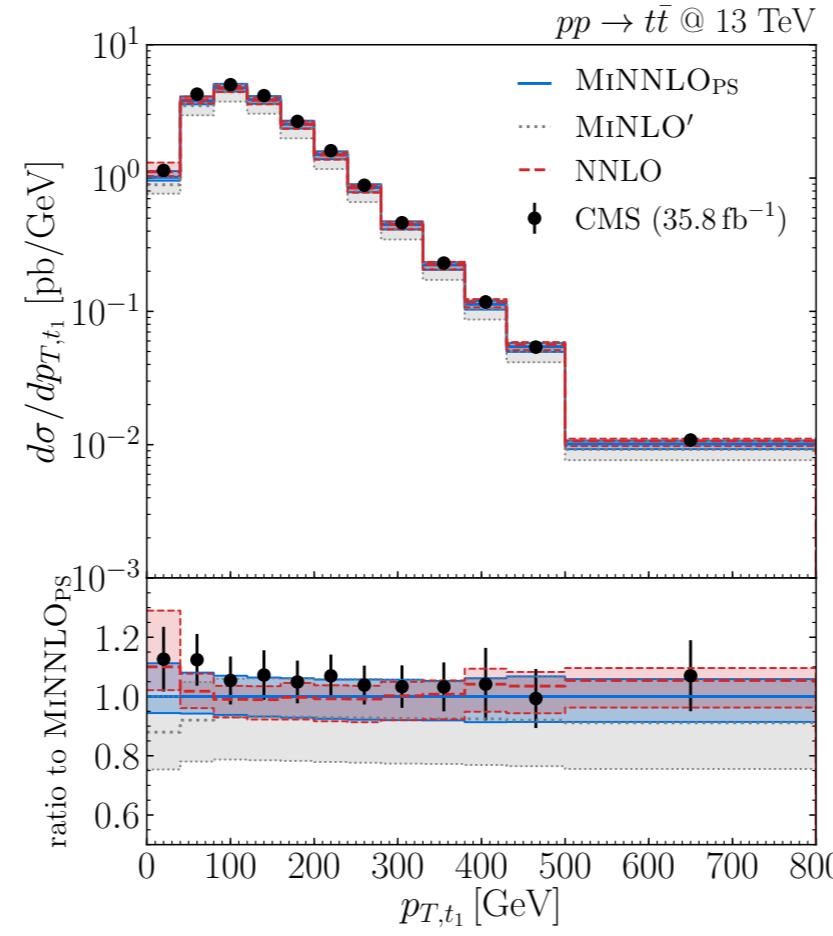
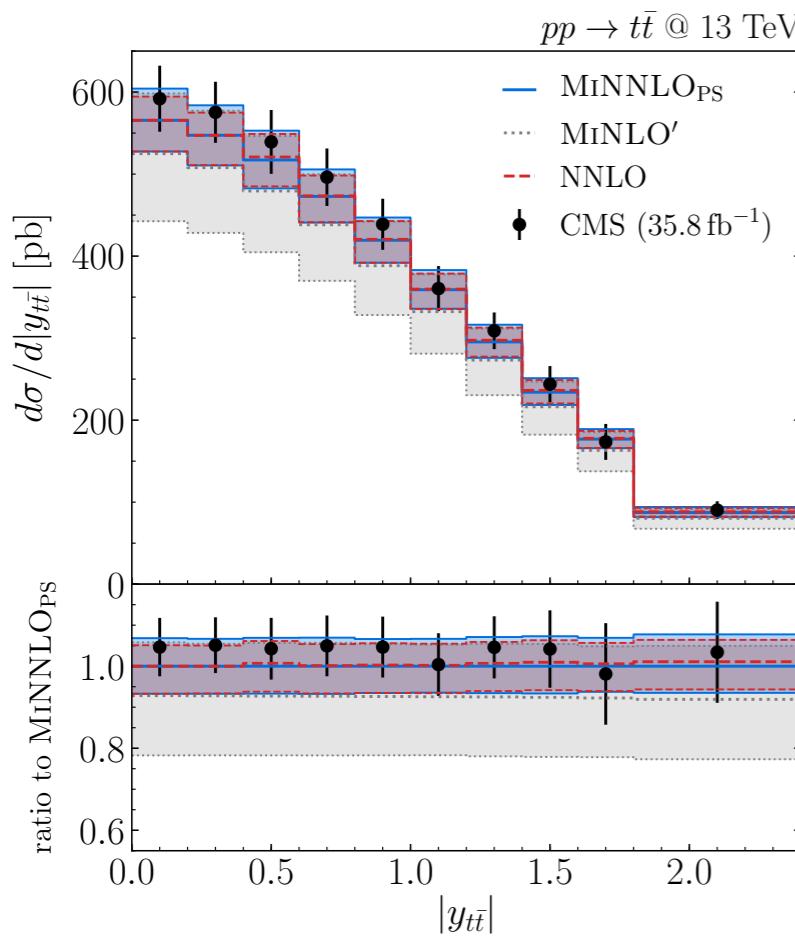
- ▶ MiNNLO<sub>PS</sub> and NNLO agree at permille level (note: despite different scale settings)
- ▶ excellent agreement of MiNNLO<sub>PS</sub> with NNLO for  $t\bar{t}$  rapidity
- ▶ substantial reduction of scale uncertainties w.r.t. MiNLO'



# Numerical results

Data unfolded to inclusive  $t\bar{t}$  phase space from [CMS PRD 97 (2018) 112003]

[Mazzitelli, Monni, Nason, Re, MW, Zanderighi '21]



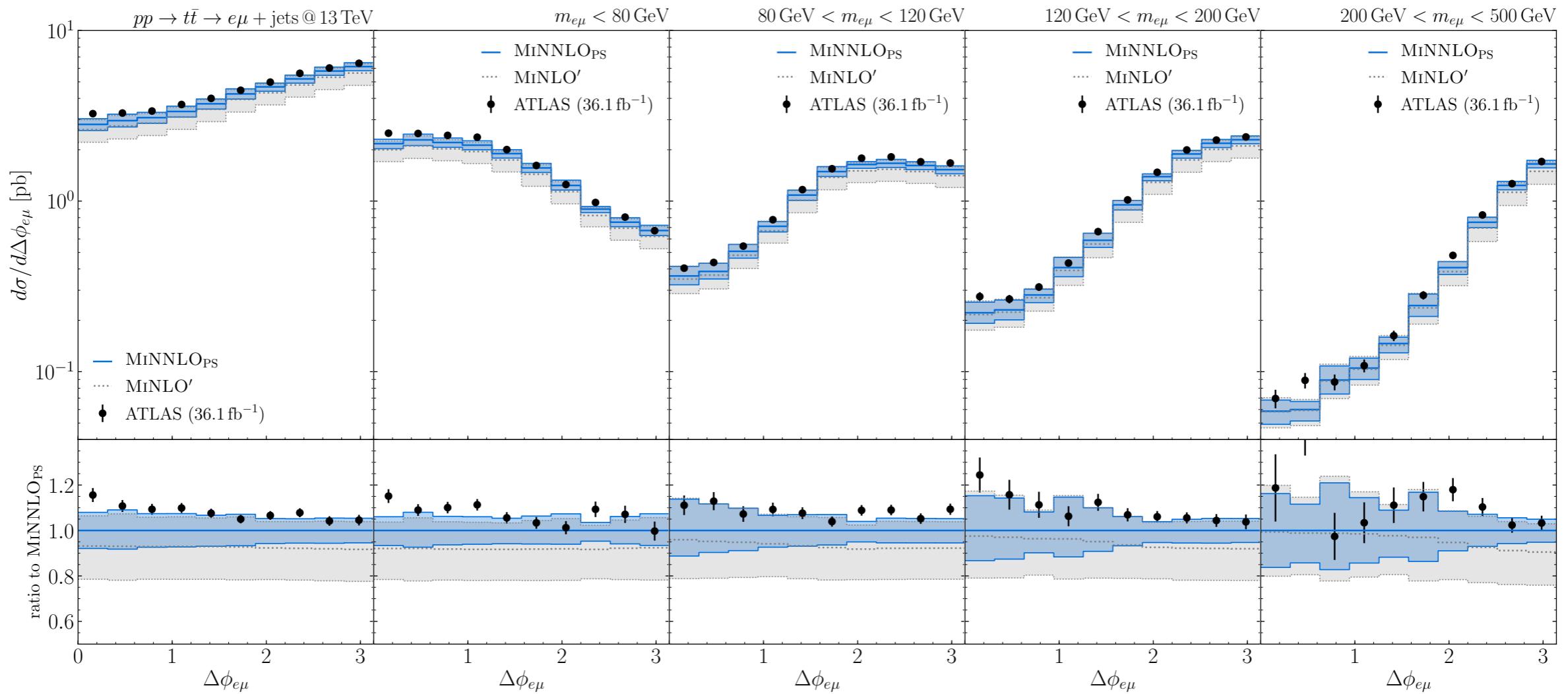
- excellent agreement of MiNNLO<sub>PS</sub> with NNLO at inclusive level
- improved description of top transverse momenta w.r.t. NNLO

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Top-decays included using ratio of tree-level decays and undecayed matrix elements  
(like Madspin with spin correlations)

[Following the ttJ implementation in POWHEG of Alioli, Moch, Uwer 1110.5251]

Data unfolded to fiducial  $\ell^+\nu\ell^-\bar{\nu}b\bar{b}$  phase space from [ATLAS EPJC 80 (2020) 528]

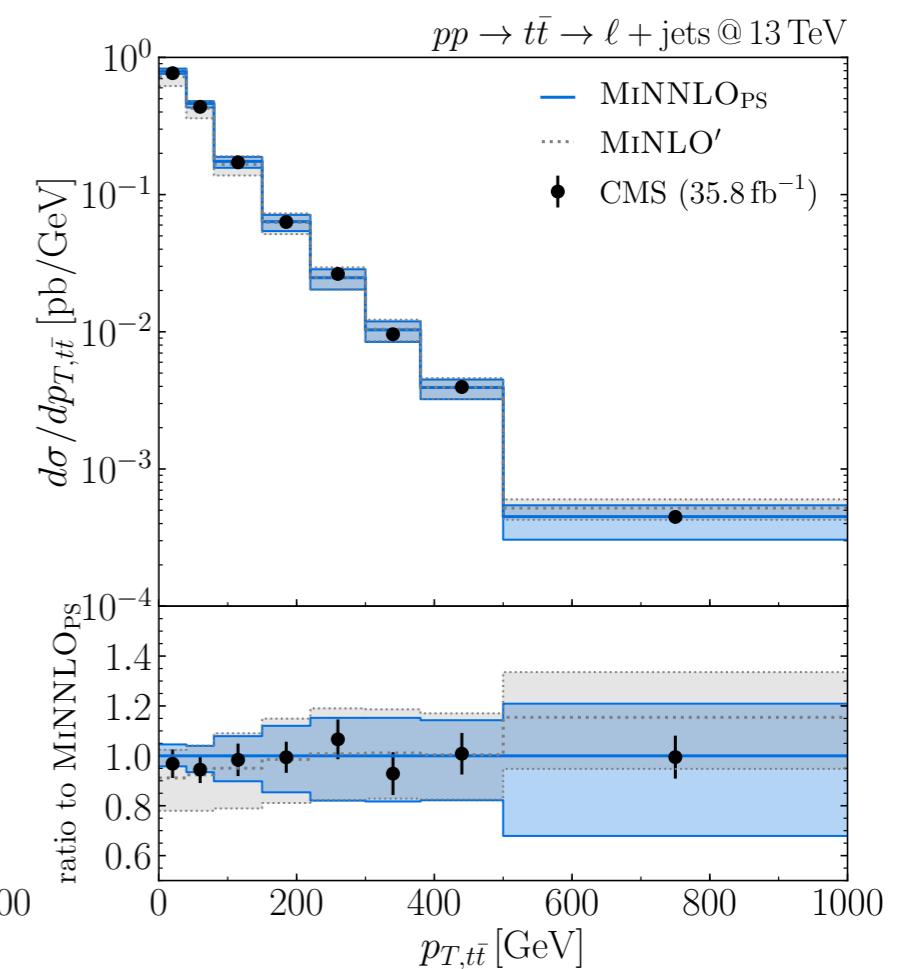
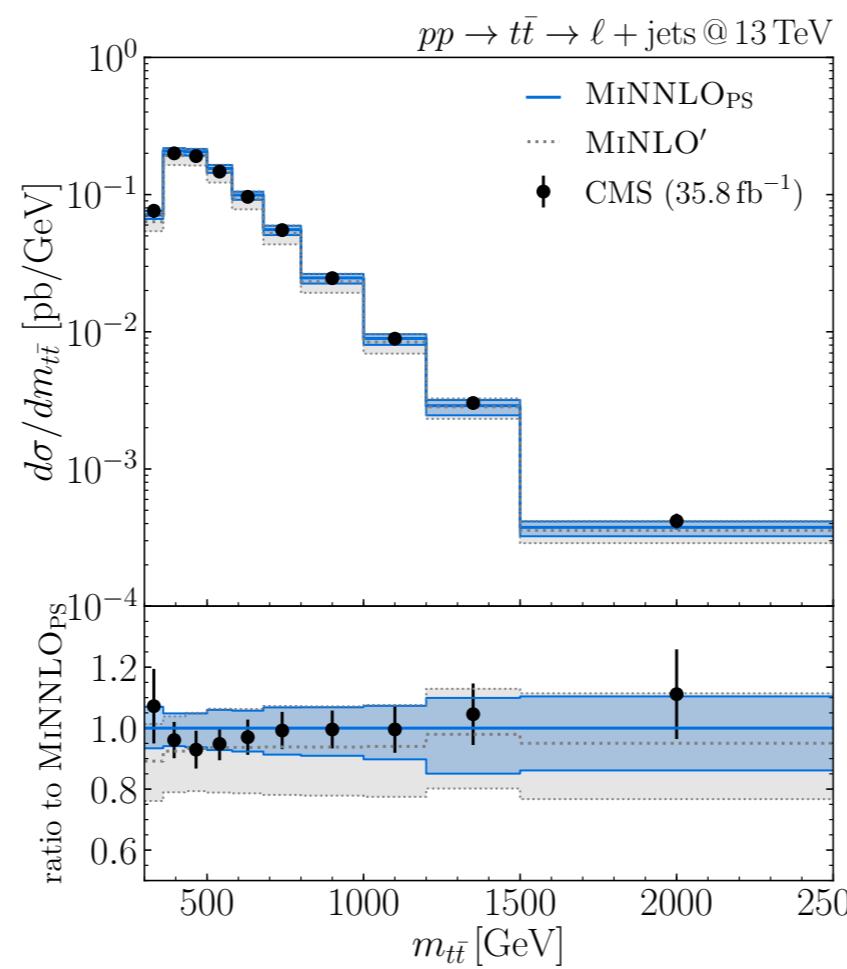
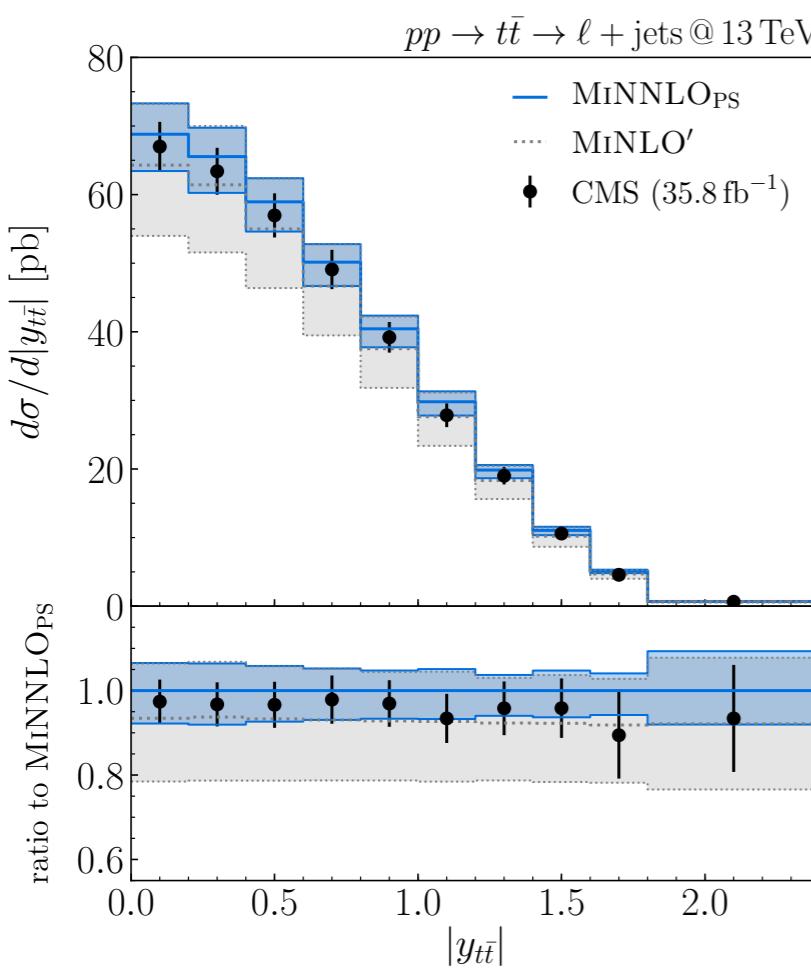


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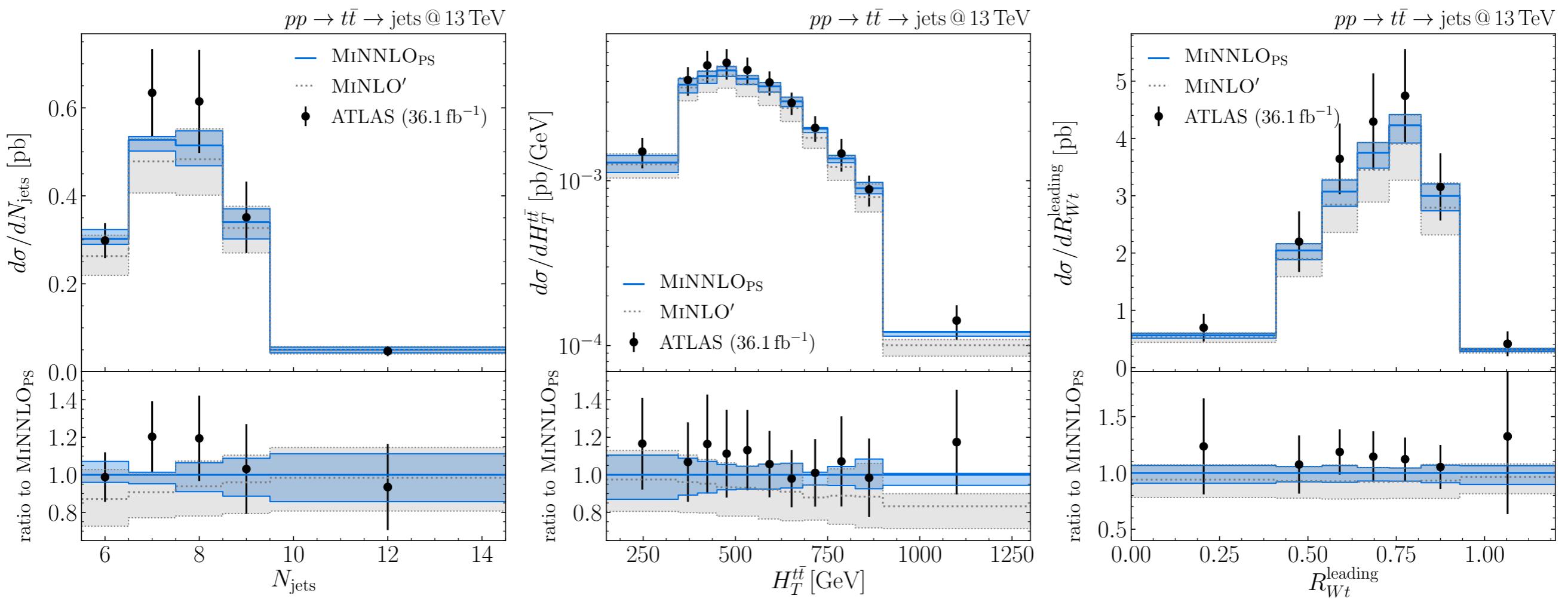


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# Conclusions

- Presented MiNNLO<sub>PS</sub> methods, relying on MiNLO and POWHEG
- Focused on results for **top pair production**
  - ▶ First NNLO+PS generator for a coloured process
  - ▶ Good agreement with ATLAS/CMS data
  - ▶ Code implemented in POWHEG BOX V2 and public
  - ▶ Results include top-decays with spin correlations
  - ▶ Method allow the inclusion of decays at NNLO, once the relevant input becomes available
- A few concluding remarks ...

# Since January 2019 ...

The screenshot shows two instances of a mail client interface. Both instances have a sidebar on the left with icons for Search, All Mailbox..., Favourites, and several inbox entries (All Inboxes, Exc..., giulia.z..., mpp.m...). The top instance is titled "Searching 'All Sent'" and shows 1453 results. The search bar at the top right has "to" set to "Paolo Nason" and is circled in red. The bottom instance is titled "Searching 'Inbox - mpp.mpg.de'" and shows 1581 results. The search bar at the top right has "FROM" set to "Paolo Nason" and is also circled in red. Both instances show a list of messages from "nason" to "Paolo Nason".

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Dr. Giulia Zanderighi Max-Planck-Institute for...
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I plot vengono così... Giulia
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(No Subject)  
Ciao Paolo, Come sei messo oggi? Vuoi discutere un attimo? Giulia

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