

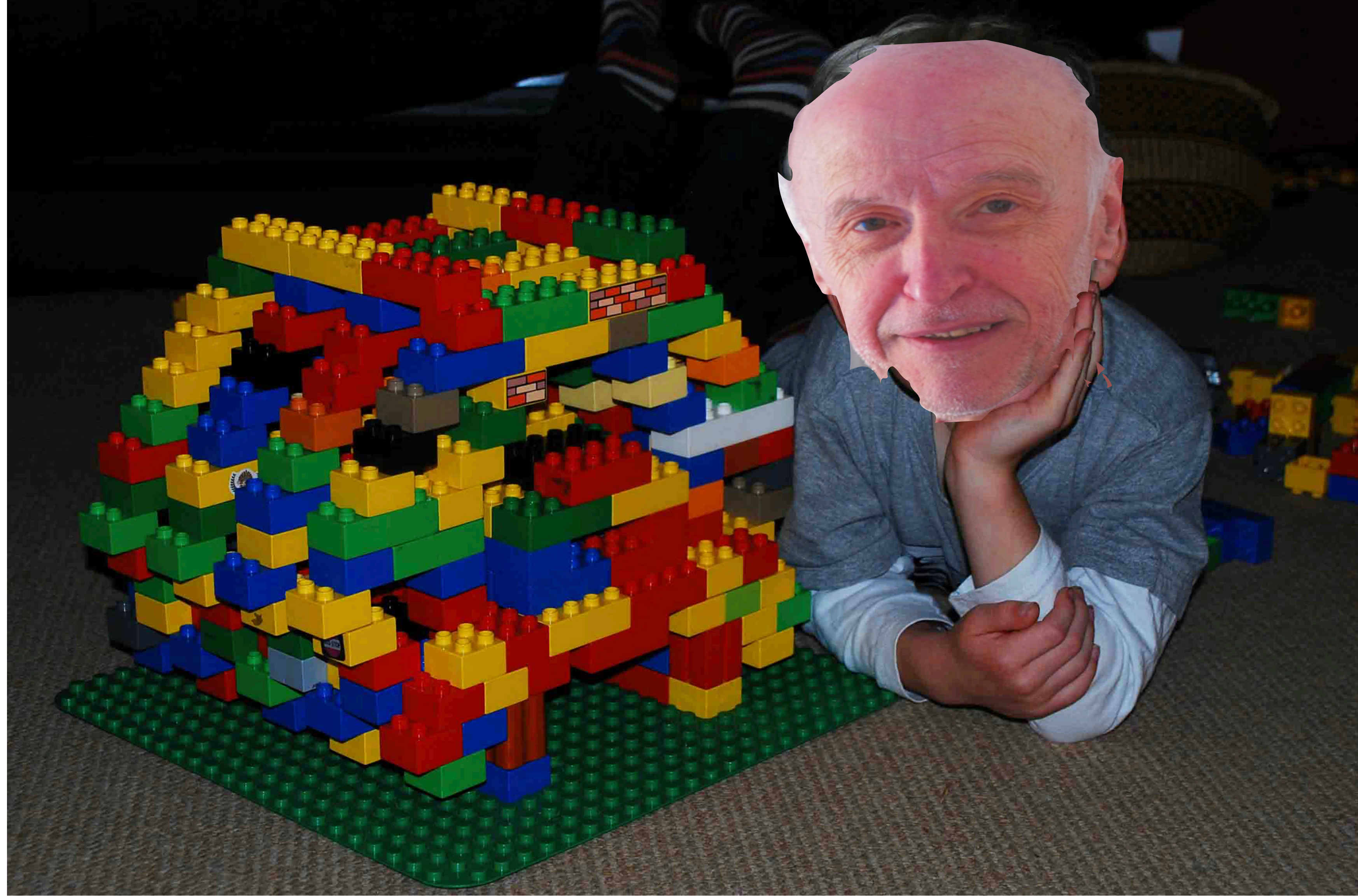
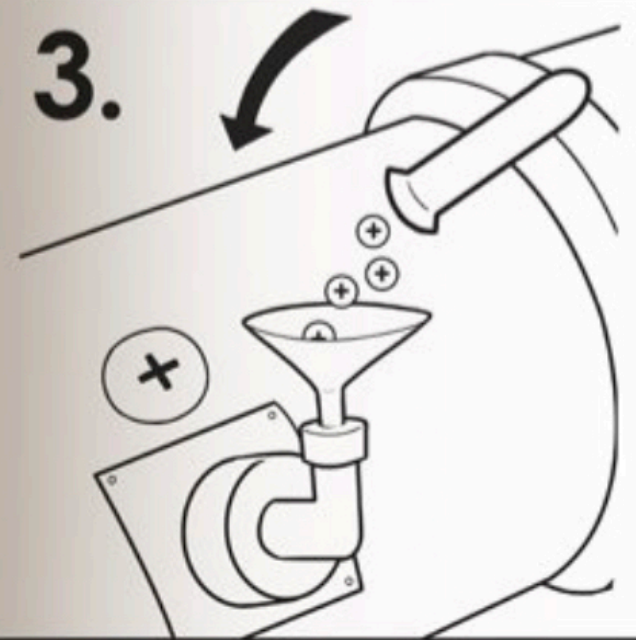
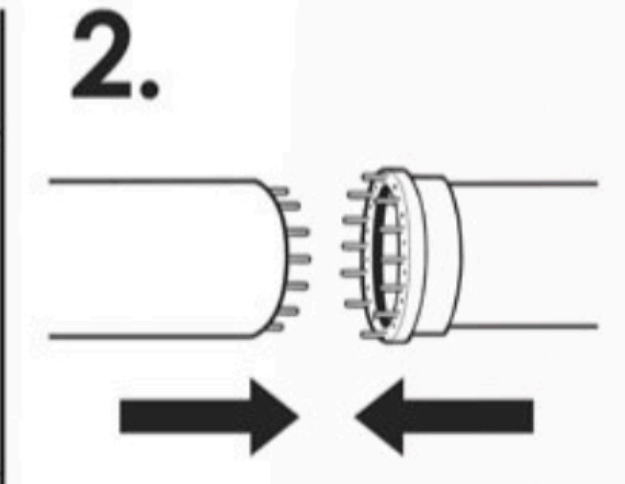
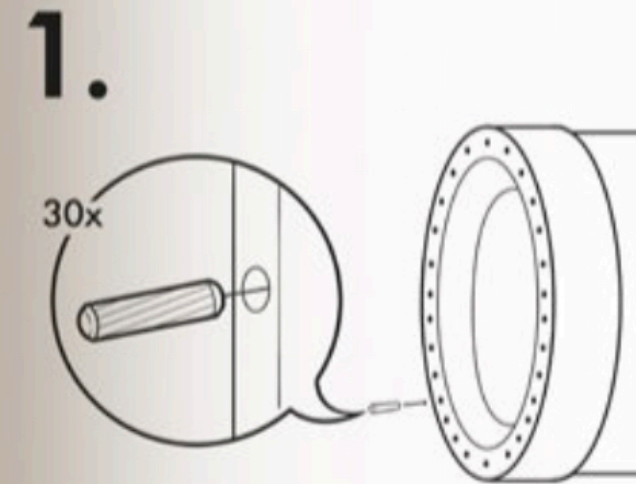
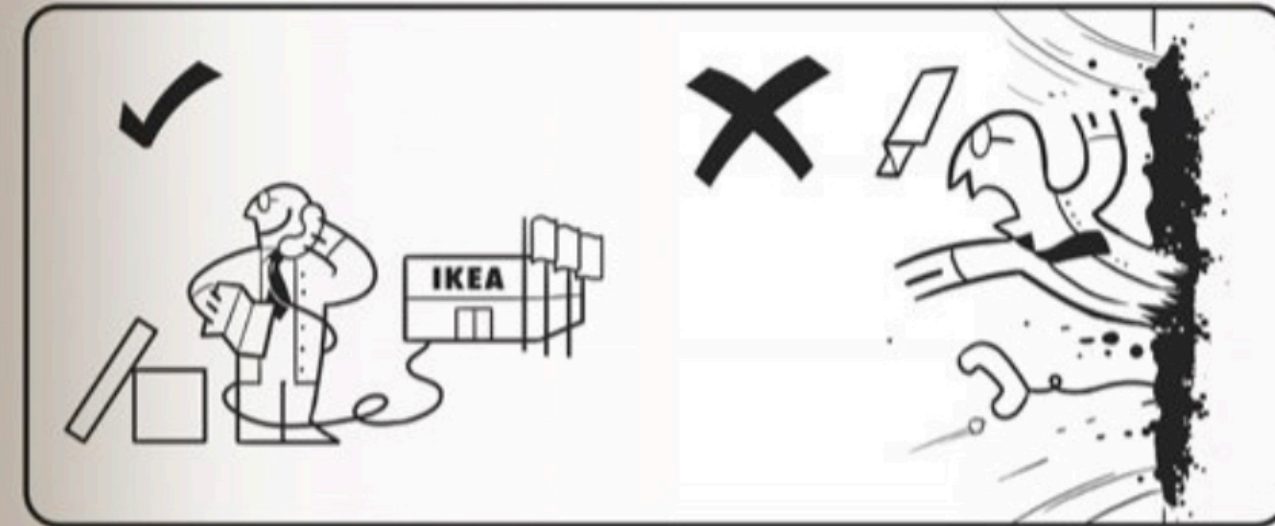
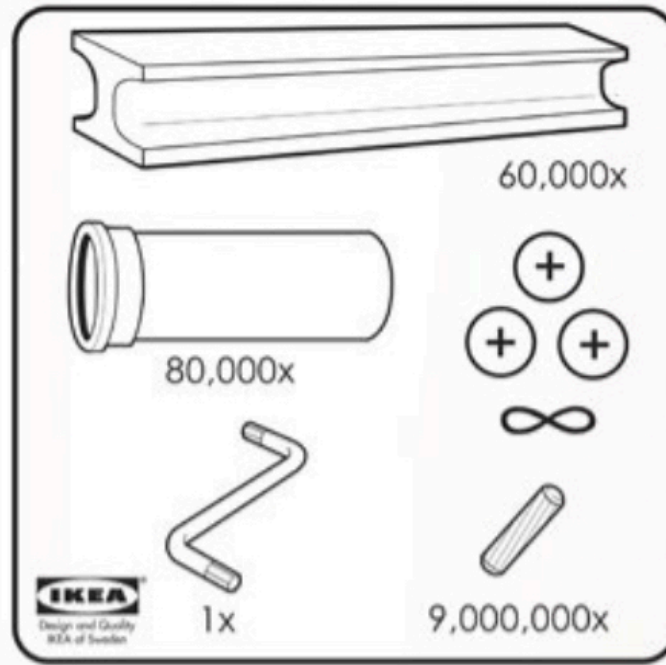
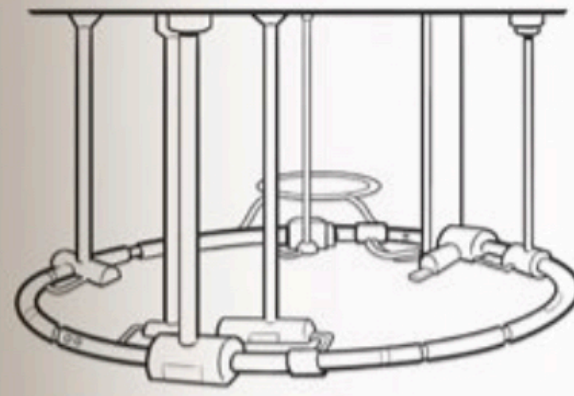
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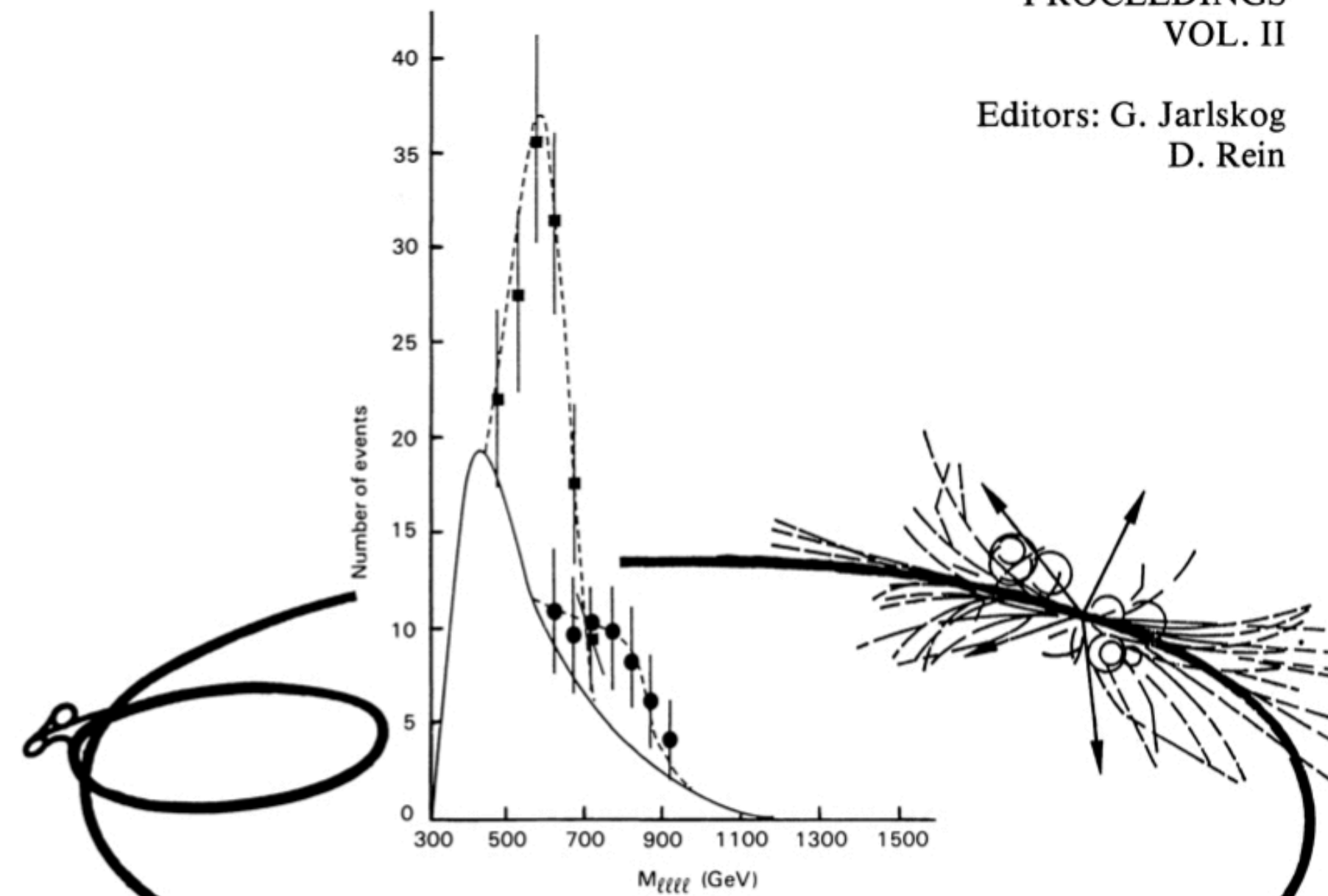
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Standard Model Cross Sections

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The working group on Standard Processes at the LHC was originally assigned the task of studying the cross sections for various standard processes of interest at the LHC. Two additional tasks were also assigned to this group: the measurement of the total and elastic cross section, and the study of the possibility for doing neutrino physics at the LHC. The group was therefore subdivided into a Total and Elastic cross section group, a Neutrino Physics group, and a Hard Processes group. The Hard Processes group was further subdivided into five subgroups, dealing with the structure functions, the physics of the intermediate vector bosons, the physics of direct photons, jets, and heavy quark production.

By its own nature, the group had to deal with all topics which were not considered central enough to require a single, dedicated working group, like the Higgs and Top searches, but on the other hand are very important in order to understand and model the physics at the LHC. Most of our work was the compilation of cross sections for everyday physics processes, with a considerable effort in trying to understand to what extent our present knowledge can be extrapolated to supercollider energies. Some processes that have impact on other areas of LHC physics have received particular attention. The $\gamma\gamma$ process, because of its importance as a background to an intermediate mass Higgs, was considered in detail. The cross sections for b and c production, which have an impact on the possibility of doing b physics and neutrino physics at the LHC, were also fully discussed, with much emphasis on the large amount of uncertainty that we have in their calculation. Some results of the working group are quite exciting, and stand by themselves as interesting physics topics. The limits on parton compositeness, arising both from jet and direct photon cross sections have considerable value, and certainly will be done at the LHC. A particularly interesting topic which was considered is the possibility of testing for anomalous couplings in the WWZ and $WW\gamma$ sectors, via WZ and $W\gamma$ detection. Both these topics have been fully discussed from an experimental point of view, at least at the level which is possible without a specific detector design. For the case of the $W\gamma$ process, the study of γ detection performed in the section on direct photons was quite essential.

We have tried to clarify in which areas our knowledge is sound, and in which areas improvement is needed. We hope therefore that the work done in this study group will be a useful starting point for future studies.

Summary of the studies

Total and Elastic Cross Sections.

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List of contributions:

- C. Da Via, R. De Salvo, M. R. Mondardini and J. Orear,
A new detector for small- p_t physics at LHC/SSC energies.
- D. Bernard,
A fast and precise scintillating fiber tracking detector.
- G. Matthiae,
Total and elastic cross section: the experimental method.
- E. Leader,
Elastic scattering at the LHC: a challenge to theory and experiment.

Neutrino Physics

Convener: K. Winter;

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Experimentalists: L. Camilleri, A. Capone, U. Dore, A. Ereditato, E. Fernandez, J. Gomez, P. F. Loverre, V. Palladino, F. Pietropaolo, L. Rolandi, R. Santacesaria, S. Schlenstedt and F. Vannucci.

List of contributions:

- K. Winter,
Detection of the tau-neutrino at the LHC.

Hard processes

Convener: P. Nason;

Theorists: P. Aurenche, M. Fontannaz, J. P. Guillet, H. Kuijf, T. Matsuura, B. Mele, L. Trentadue and D. Zeppenfeld;

Experimentalists: M. Bonesini, L. Camilleri, T. Cox, M. Kienzle-Focacci, P. Lubrano, M. Nesi, F. Nesi-Tedaldi, F. Pastore, M. Pepe, H. Plathow-Besch, M. Werlen and D. Wood.

List of contributions:

- Jets at the Large Hadron Collider.
P. T. Cox, J. P. Guillet, P. Lubrano, M. Nesi and F. Nesi-Tedaldi.
Cross sections for jet production, limits on parton compositeness and multi-jets.
- Production of direct photon at LHC and SSC.
P. Aurenche, M. Bonesini, L. Camilleri, P. Chiappetta, M. Fontannaz, J. P. Guillet, M. N. Kienzle-Focacci, M. Werlen.
Cross section for production of photon, with and without isolation cuts. Probing the gluon structure function at small values of x . Detailed discussion of photon detectability and backgrounds to the photon signal.
- $\gamma\gamma$ production at LHC: a NLO order study of the "irreducible" background to $H^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$.
P. Aurenche, M. Bonesini, L. Camilleri, M. Fontannaz and M. Werlen.
Study of experimental cuts needed for separating the intermediate Higgs signal from the $\gamma\gamma$ background.
- Parton luminosities, W and Z cross sections and gauge boson pair production.
H. Kuif, G. Martinelli, T. Matsuura, B. Mele, P. Nason, F. Pastore, M. Pepe, H. Plathow-Besch, L. Trentadue, D. Wood, D. Zeppenfeld.
Parton densities, W and Z cross sections and differential distributions, Drell-Yan pair production, Gauge boson pair production. Possibility of detecting deviations from the standard model three-vector-bosons couplings via WZ and $W\gamma$ production processes.
- QCD corrections to Z pair production at the LHC.
B. Mele, P. Nason and G. Ridolfi.
Results of a new calculation of strong radiative corrections to Z pair production processes.
- Heavy quark production at the LHC.
J. P. Guillet, P. Nason, H. Plathow-Besch.
Total and differential cross sections for the production of top, bottom and charmed hadron. Bottom and charm multiplicity in high p_{\perp} jets. Production of heavy quark at high p_{\perp} : the fragmentation function of the b quark.

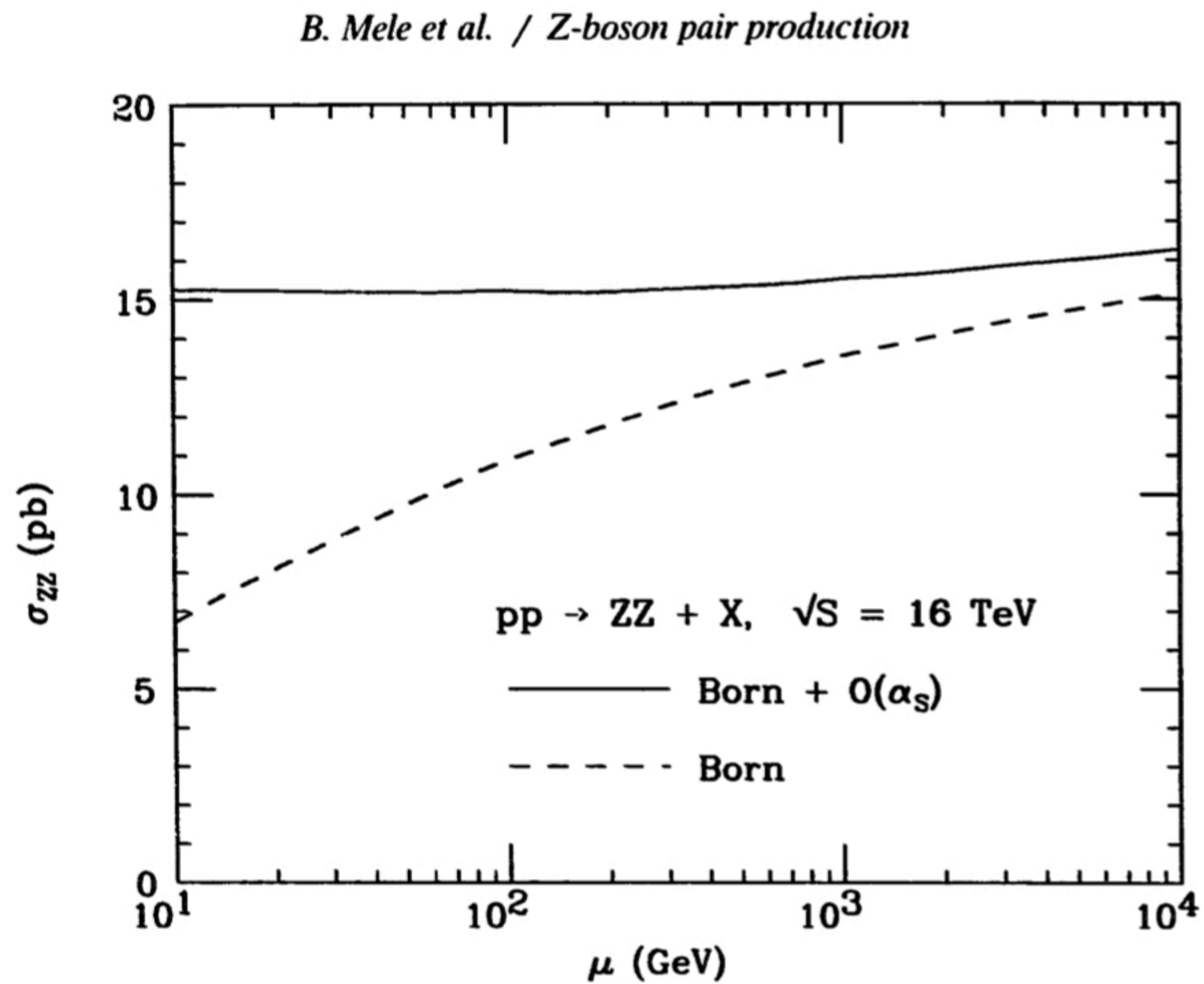


Fig. 9. Same as in fig. 8, for $\sqrt{s} = 16 \text{ TeV}$.

- Emphasis on exclusive representation of HO corrections, leads directly to parton-level event generator
- First example of a series of NLO results adopting the same techniques: WZ, QQbar
- First process to be included in POWHEG

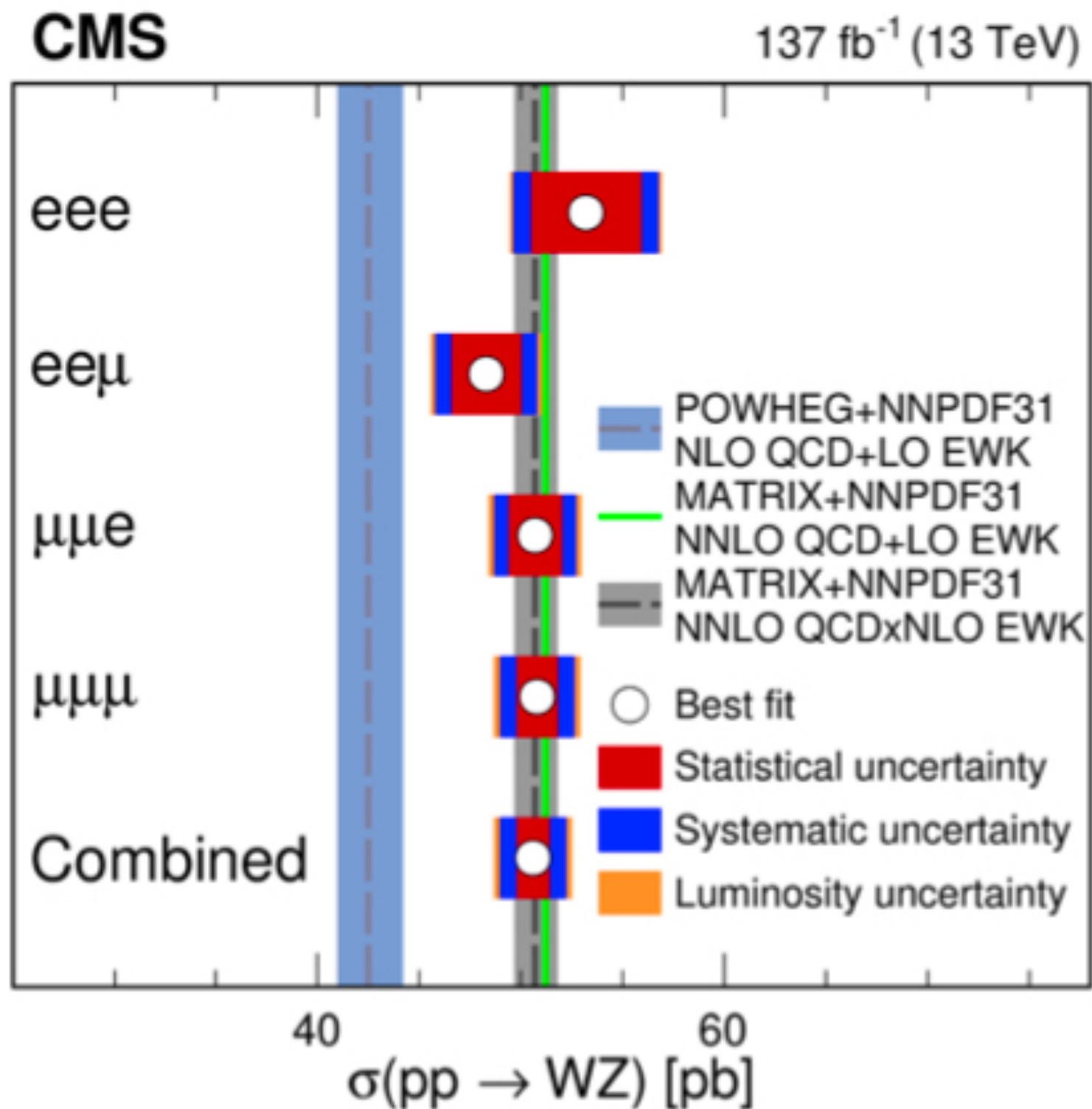
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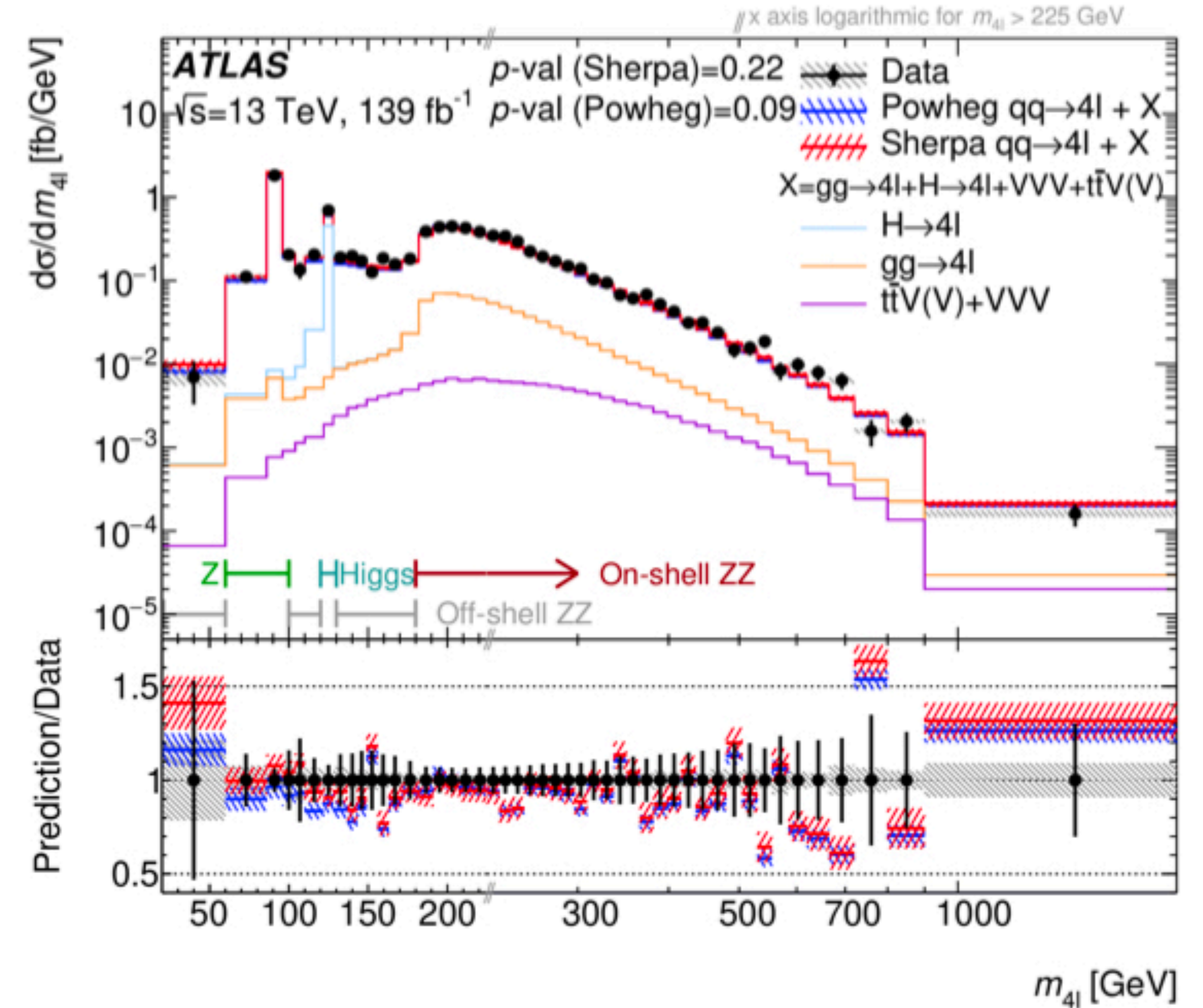
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Total rates:
 - importance of QCD NNLO
 - minor impact of EW NLO

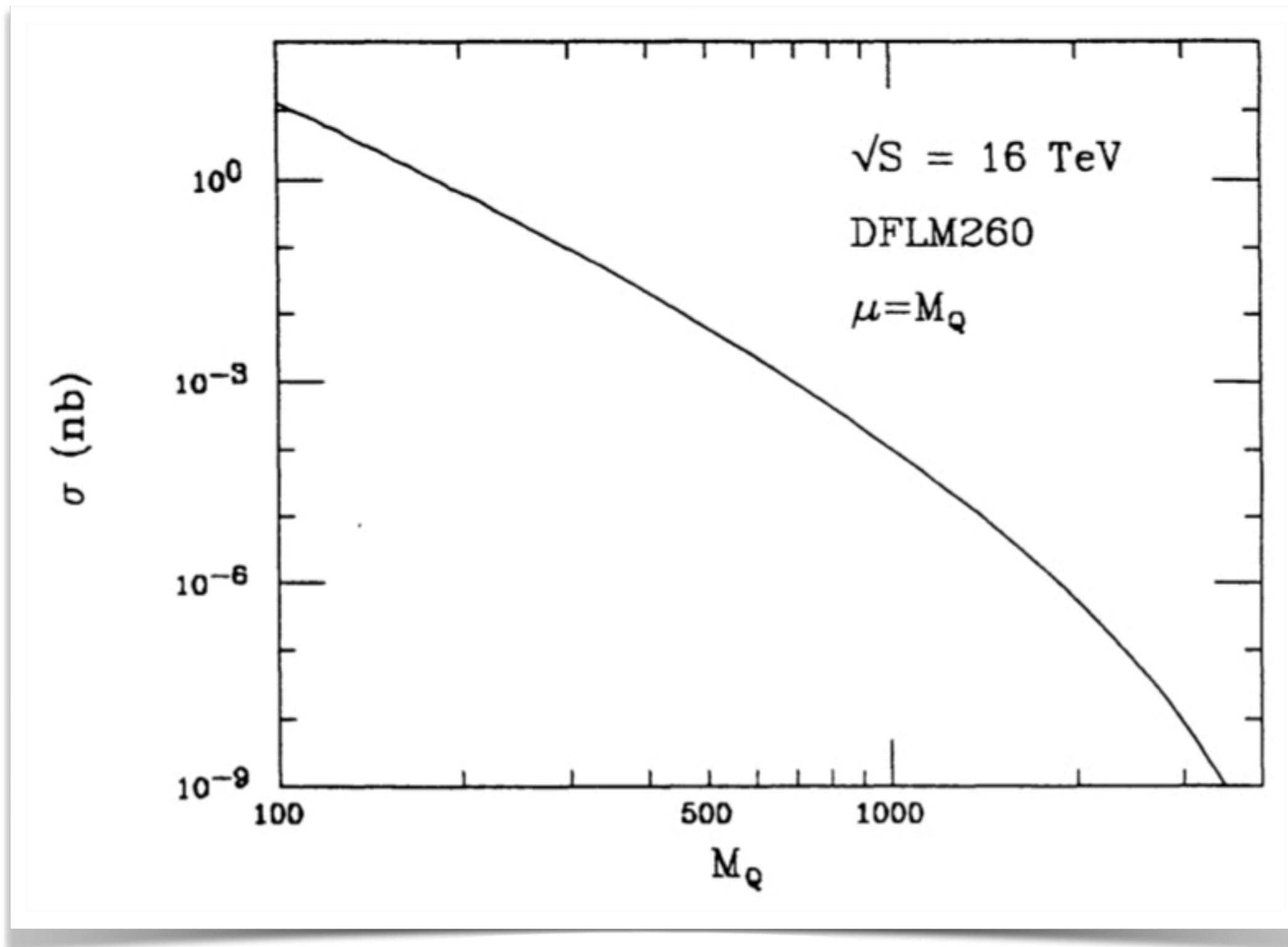
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	Full	Z → 4ℓ	H → 4ℓ	Off-shell ZZ	On-shell ZZ
Measured fiducial cross-section [fb]	88.9	22.1	4.76	12.4	49.3
	±1.1 (stat.)	±0.7 (stat.)	±0.29 (stat.)	±0.5 (stat.)	±0.8 (stat.)
	±2.3 (syst.)	±1.1 (syst.)	±0.18 (syst.)	±0.6 (syst.)	±0.8 (syst.)
	±1.5 (lumi.)	±0.4 (lumi.)	±0.08 (lumi.)	±0.2 (lumi.)	±0.8 (lumi.)
	±3.0 (total)	±1.3 (total)	±0.35 (total)	±0.8 (total)	±1.3 (total)
SHERPA	86±5	23.6±1.5	4.57±0.21	11.5±0.7	46.0±2.9
POWHEG + PYTHIA8	83±5	21.2±1.3	4.38±0.20	10.7±0.7	46.4±3.0

First NLO predictions for tt production at LHC



Total $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$ in nb, $m_{\text{top}} = 130 \text{ GeV}$			
	DFLM260	HMRSB	GRV
$p\bar{p}$, 0.63 TeV	$2.5 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$2.7 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$2.7 \cdot 10^{-4}$
$p\bar{p}$, 1.8 TeV	$2.23 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$2.33 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$1.95 \cdot 10^{-2}$
pp , 16 TeV	4.35	3.96	3.38
pp , 40 TeV	21.85	18.34	18.35
$m_{\text{top}} = 200 \text{ GeV}$			
$p\bar{p}$, 0.63 TeV	$7.3 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$4.34 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1.0 \cdot 10^{-5}$
$p\bar{p}$, 1.8 TeV	$1.9 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$2.2 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.9 \cdot 10^{-3}$
pp , 16 TeV	.636	.621	.489
pp , 40 TeV	3.89	3.50	3.17

Event Generators for LHC

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Table 1: Standard model physics processes included in the event generators studied. See text for program notation. ‘f’ stands for fermion, ‘V’ for W or Z, and ‘Q’ for heavy quark.

Process	ISAJET	PYTHIA	other PS	PAPA-GENO	other ME
QCD					
QCD jets	•	•	•	•	E, NJ
$q\bar{q}, gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}$	•	•	•	•	E
$qb \rightarrow q't$	-	•	H	-	
minimum bias	•	•	•	-	E
diffractive	•	•	-	-	
elastic	-	•	-	-	
Prompt photons					
$qg \rightarrow q\gamma, q\bar{q} \rightarrow g\gamma$	•	•	H	•	
$q\bar{q} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$	•	•	-	•	
$gg \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$	-	•	-	•	
W/Z production					
$q\bar{q} \rightarrow V$	•	•	•	•	LD
$qg, q\bar{q} \rightarrow V(q, g)$	•	•	H	•	LD
$q\bar{q} \rightarrow VV, V\gamma$	•	•	-	•	BZ, BH
$q\bar{q}, qg \rightarrow VV(q, g)$	-	-	-	-	VV, BH
$gg \rightarrow VV, V\gamma$	-	-	-	-	GG
$q\bar{q} \rightarrow V^*V^*$	-	•	-	-	
$gg \rightarrow ZQ\bar{Q}$	-	•	-	•	LD
Standard model H^0 ($m_H \leq 800$ GeV)					
$q\bar{q} \rightarrow H^0$	•	•	-	-	
$gg \rightarrow H^0$	•	•	H	•	GG
$VV \rightarrow H^0$	•	•	H	•	BG
$q\bar{q} \rightarrow VH^0$	-	•	-	-	
$gg, qg, q\bar{q} \rightarrow H^0(q, g)$	-	•	-	-	HV
$H^0 \rightarrow VV$	•	•	H	•	BG, HV
$H^0 \rightarrow V^*V^*$	•	•	H	-	
$H^0 \rightarrow f\bar{f}$	•	•	H	-	
$H^0 \rightarrow gg$	•	•	-	-	
$H^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$	•	•	H	-	
$H^0 \rightarrow \gamma Z^0$	-	•	-	-	
Standard model H^0 ($m_H \geq 700$ GeV)					
$VV \rightarrow VV$	•	•	H	-	BG
$gg \rightarrow VV$	-	-	-	-	GG

Table 2: Non-standard model physics processes included in the event generators studied. See text for program notation. In addition to notation for Table 1, ‘V’ stands for W’ or Z’, ‘R’ for a horizontal boson, and ‘L’ for heavy lepton.

Process	ISAJET	PYTHIA	other PS	PAPA-GENO	other ME
Non-standard Higgs particles					
$q\bar{q} \rightarrow H^+$	-	•	-	-	
$gb \rightarrow H^-t$	-	•	-	-	
$\gamma^*/Z^* \rightarrow H^+H^-$	-	•	-	-	
$t \rightarrow H^+b$	-	•	-	-	
$H^+ \rightarrow f\bar{f}'$	-	•	-	-	
Supersymmetry					
$q\bar{q}, gg \rightarrow \tilde{q}\tilde{q}$	•	-	-	•	UA, BT
$q\bar{q}, gg \rightarrow \tilde{g}\tilde{g}$	•	-	-	•	UA, BT
$qg \rightarrow \tilde{q}\tilde{g}$	•	-	-	•	UA, BT
$q\bar{q} \rightarrow \tilde{g}\tilde{V}$	•	-	-	-	UA
$qg \rightarrow \tilde{q}\tilde{V}$	•	-	-	-	UA
$\tilde{q}, \tilde{g}, \tilde{V}$ decays	-	-	-	•	UA, BT
New Gauge Groups					
$q\bar{q} \rightarrow V'$	-	•	-	-	
$VV \rightarrow V'$	-	-	-	-	
$V' \rightarrow f\bar{f}$	-	•	-	-	
$V' \rightarrow VV$	-	•	-	-	
$q\bar{q} \rightarrow R \rightarrow q''\bar{q}'''$	-	•	-	-	
Fourth Generation					
$q\bar{q}, gg \rightarrow Q\bar{Q}$	•	•	-	•	
$V/V' \rightarrow Q\bar{Q}, L\bar{L}$	-	•	-	-	
$q\bar{q}' \rightarrow q''Q$	-	•	-	-	
Other Topics					
contact interactions	-	-	-	•	
axiguons	-	-	-	•	
leptoquarks	-	-	-	-	E
strongly interacting V	-	•	-	-	

2.1.1 QCD

Exact Born term cross-sections, for up to five jets in the final state, are available in the NJETS program of Kuijf and Berends (‘NJ’ of Table 1), see [9], which is the most advanced in this category. This program also contains approximate expressions for up to eight jets.

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Focus on LHC returned in 1999, as LEP2 was wrapping up and planning for LHC physics readiness started building up ...

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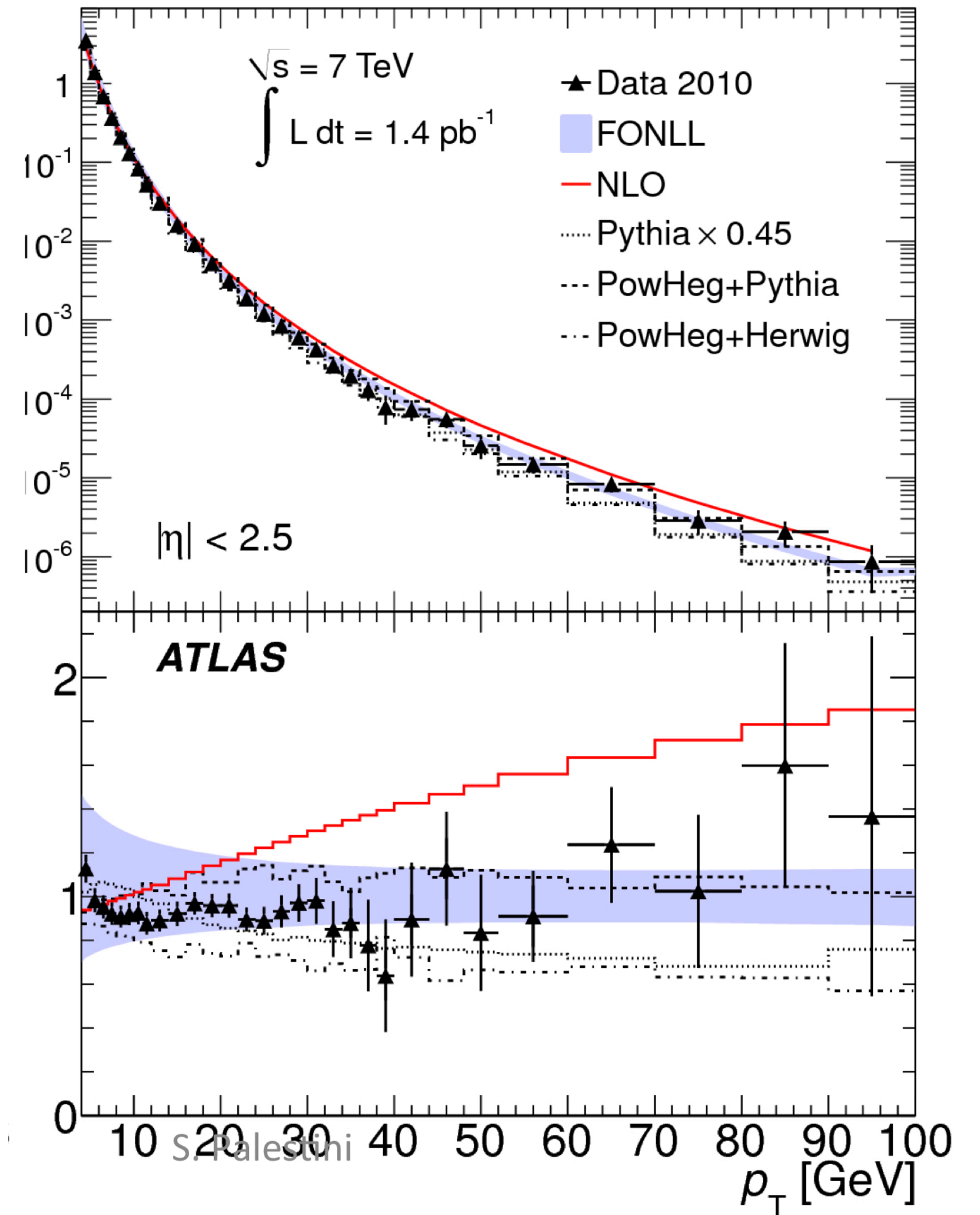
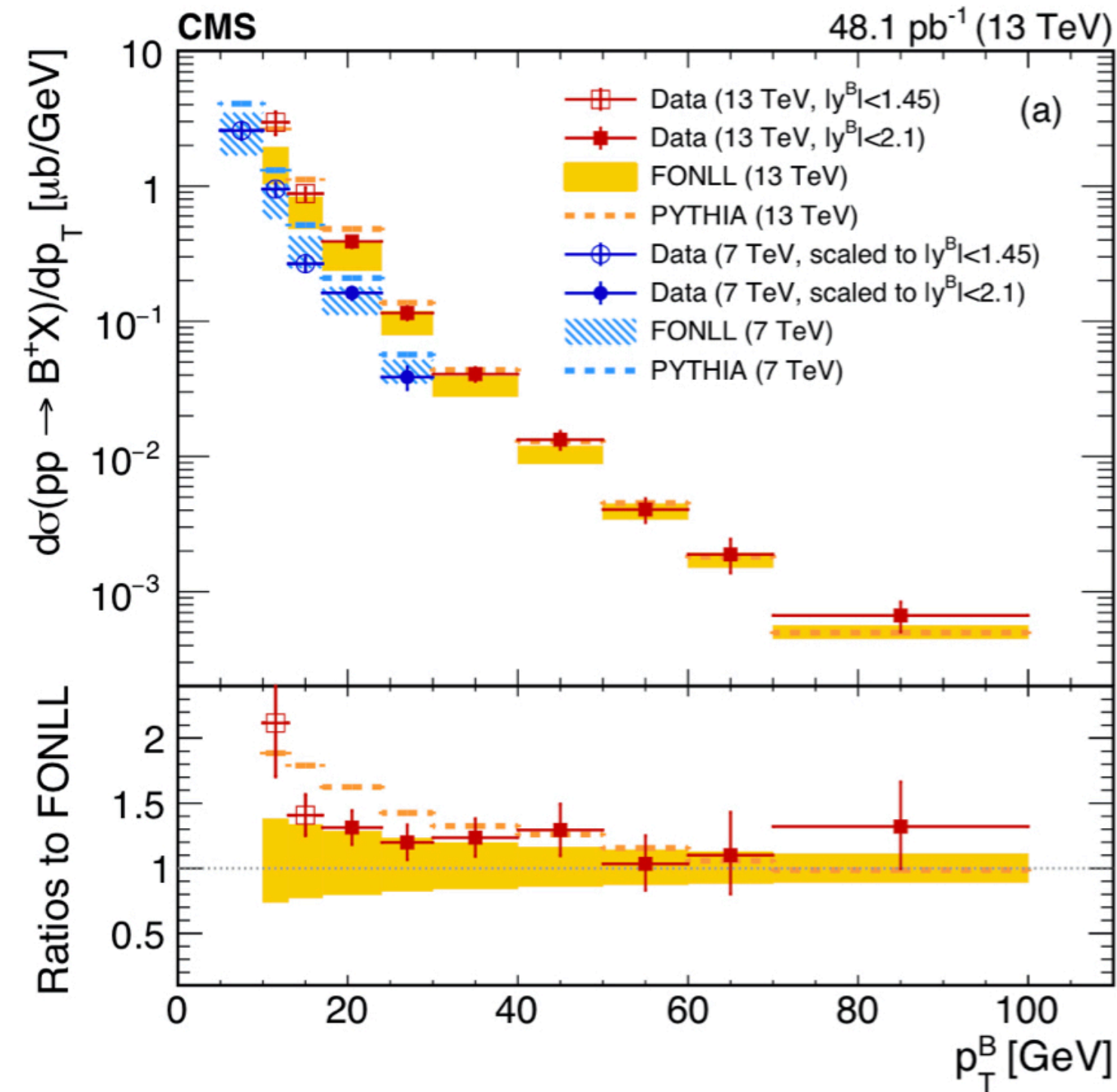
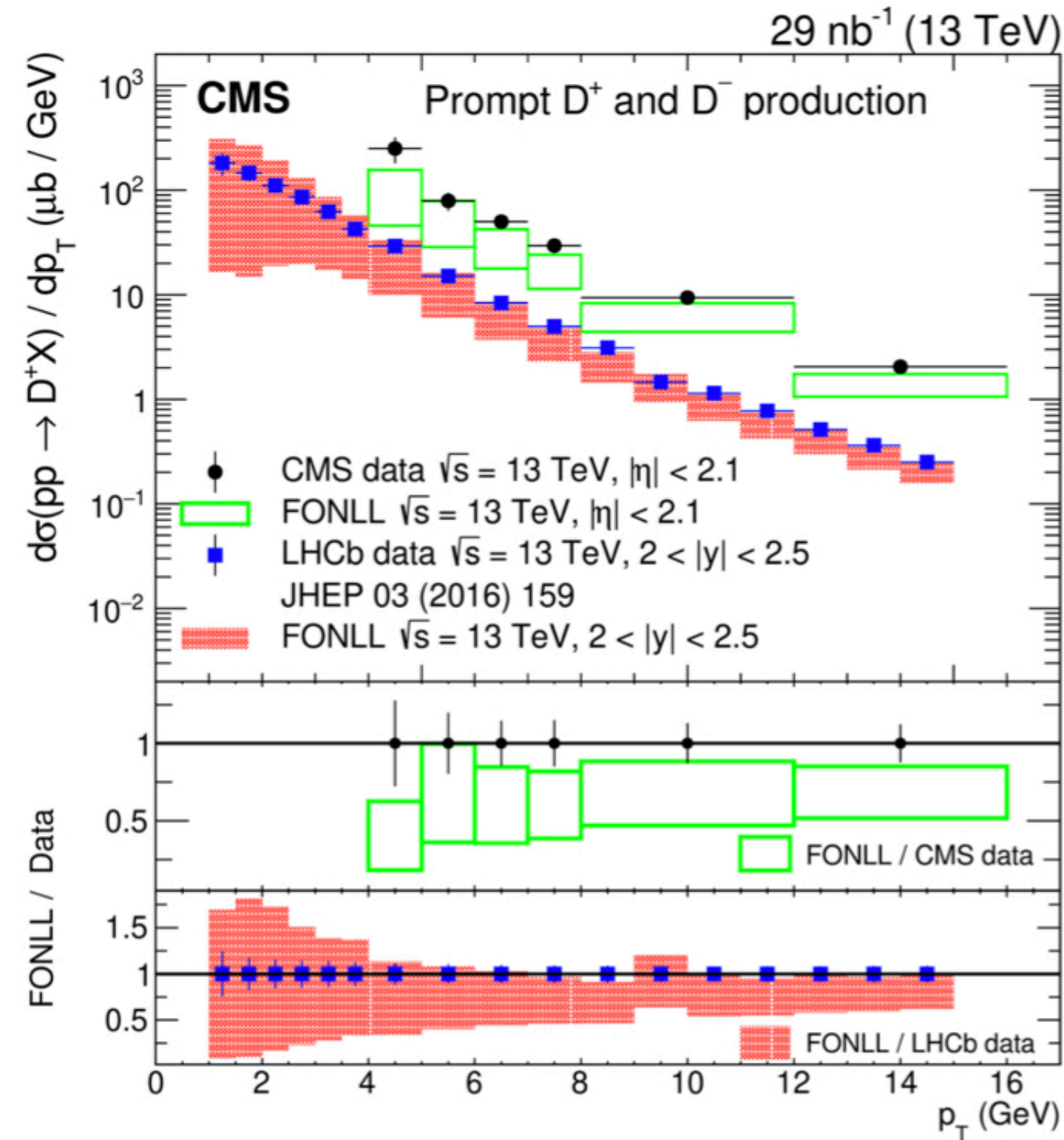
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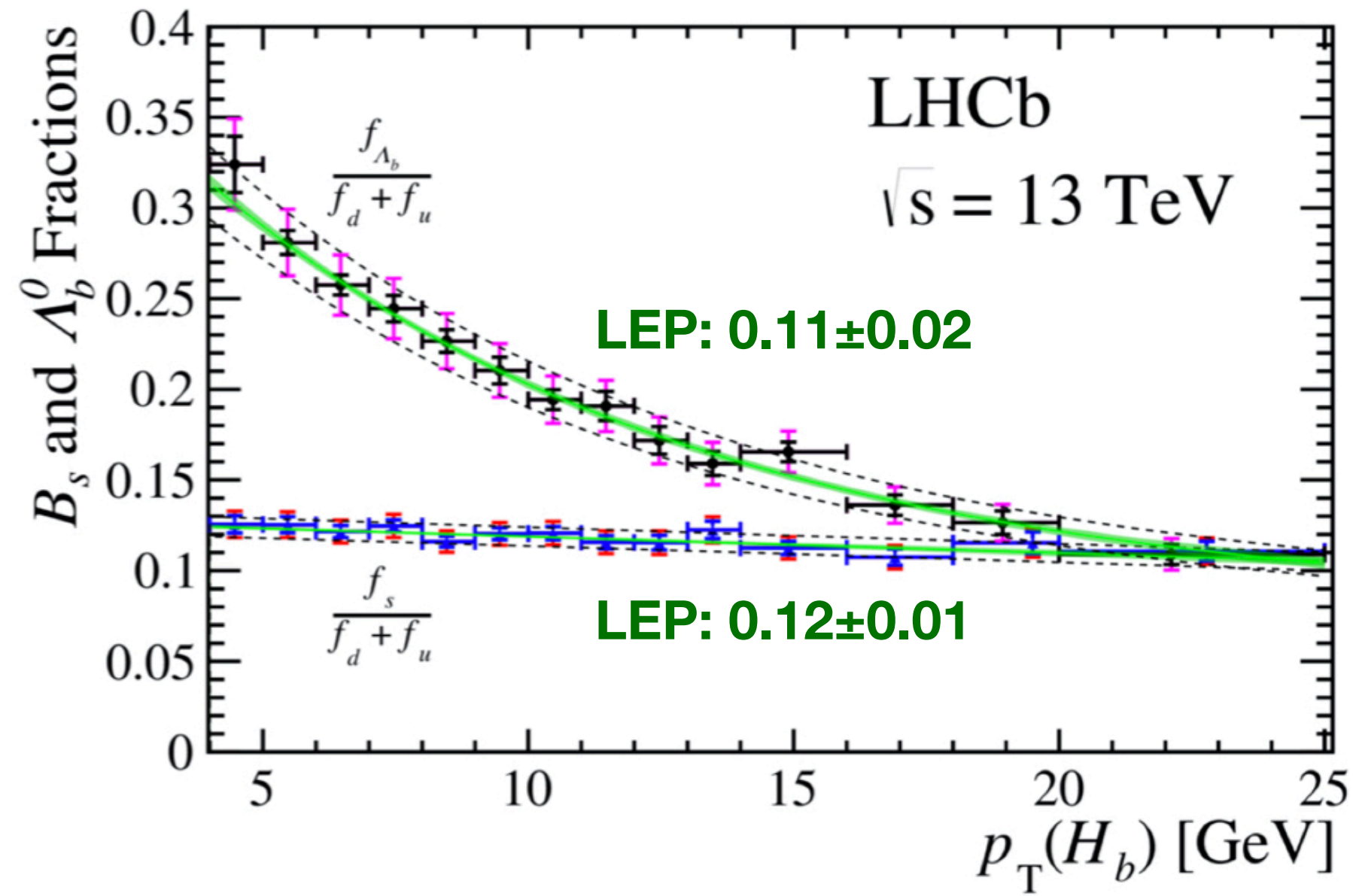
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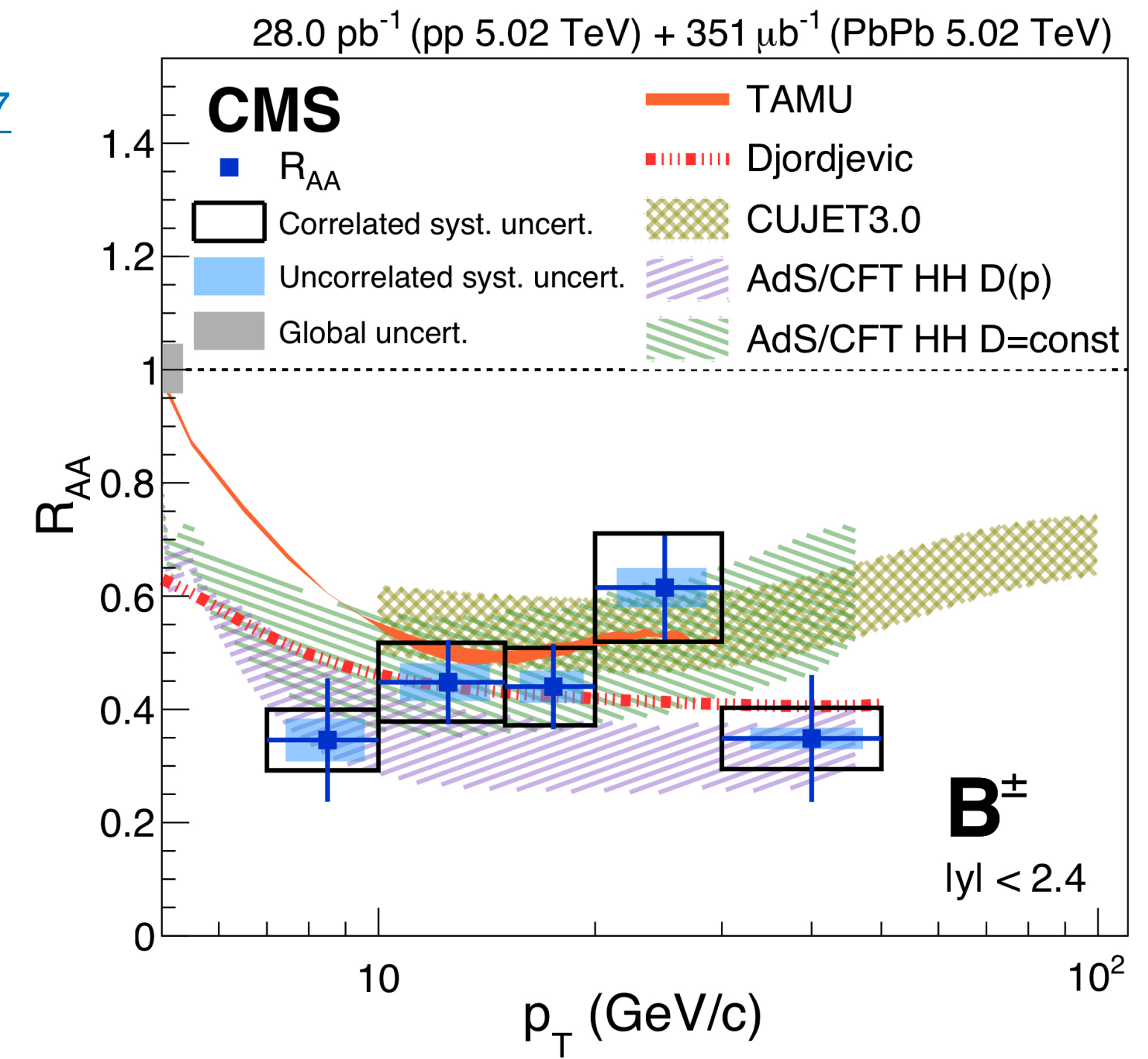
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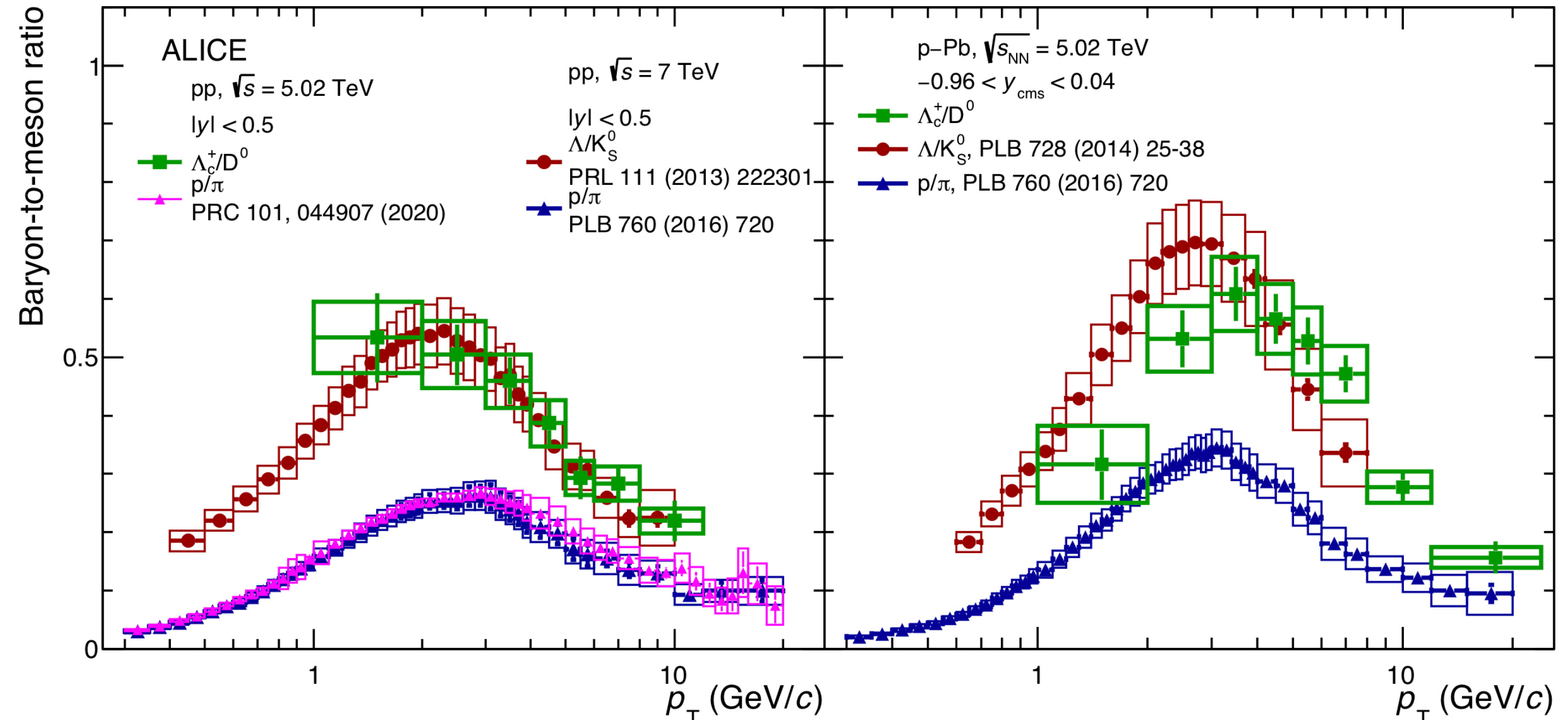
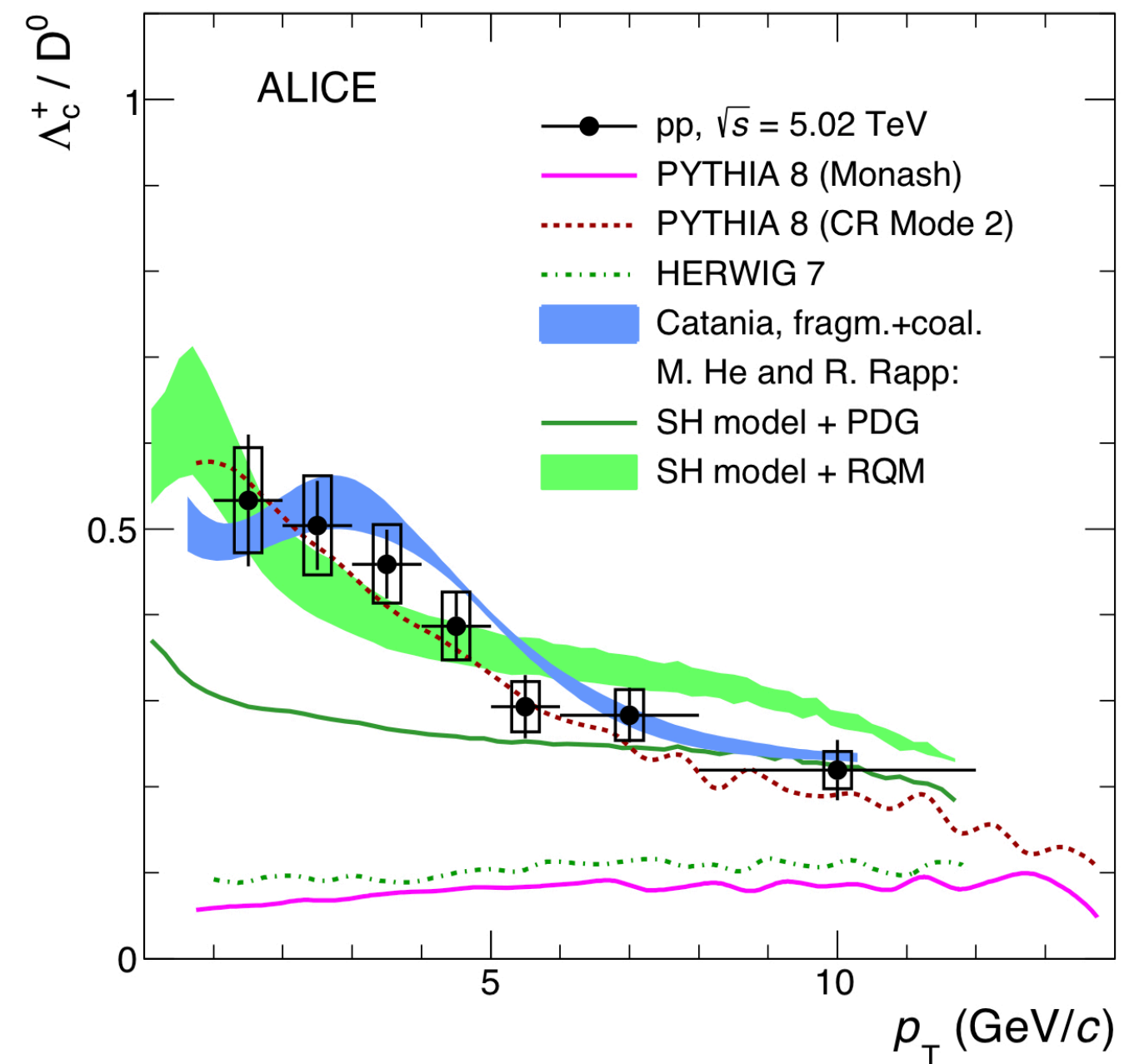
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These proceedings collect the presentations given at the first three meetings of the “Workshop on Monte Carlo's, Physics and Simulations at the LHC”, held on February 27-28, May 22-24 and October 23-25 2006 in Frascati (Italy). The purpose of the workshop, sponsored by the INFN, was to bring together all the complementary Italian scientific communities interested into high p_T physics at the LHC. The workshop was thus attended by LHC experimental physicists, theoretical physicists dedicated to the calculation of matrix elements for collider processes and to the implementation of Monte Carlo programs, and theoretical physicists interested into model building and physics beyond the Standard Model. Theoretical Standard Model prediction, as well as physics signals from new models, are made available to the experimental community as Monte Carlo generators, that thus constitute the meeting points of the three communities mentioned above. The aim of the workshop was essentially to start to talk to each other, and to begin to understand the methods, the problems, and the language of the complementary communities.

Many of the presentations held at the first three workshop meetings were basic introductions to important theoretical and experimental topics relevant to LHC physics, and the speakers were requested to use a language suitable for people with no expertise in their field. The collection of these presentations constitutes thus an introduction to a few basic aspects of high p_T LHC physics. It was decided to put them in the form of proceedings, maintaining the requirements of a language suitable for the complementary physics communities. In order to achieve this goal, the contributions were refereed internally, and have gone through several revisions. The second part of these proceedings collects more specialised presentations held at the workshop.

Although the very ambitious plan for these proceedings was not totally fulfilled (for instance, a few chapters were never completed), we feel that, at least for some of the chapters, we have met our goal. In particular, the first chapter constitute a very condensed presentation of the basics about LHC high p_T physics, that can be used as a first introductory reading for the subject. The last chapter summarizes the basic features of the most important component of the ATLAS and CMS experiments, written in a way that should be easily understandable also by theorists. Many chapters of these proceedings¹ can be used for an introductory class on LHC high p_T physics for graduate students in experimental and theoretical physics.

Although LHC physics is evolving rapidly, we believe that the basic argument treated in this volume will remain valid for an introduction, and that this effort will remain useful for the years to come.

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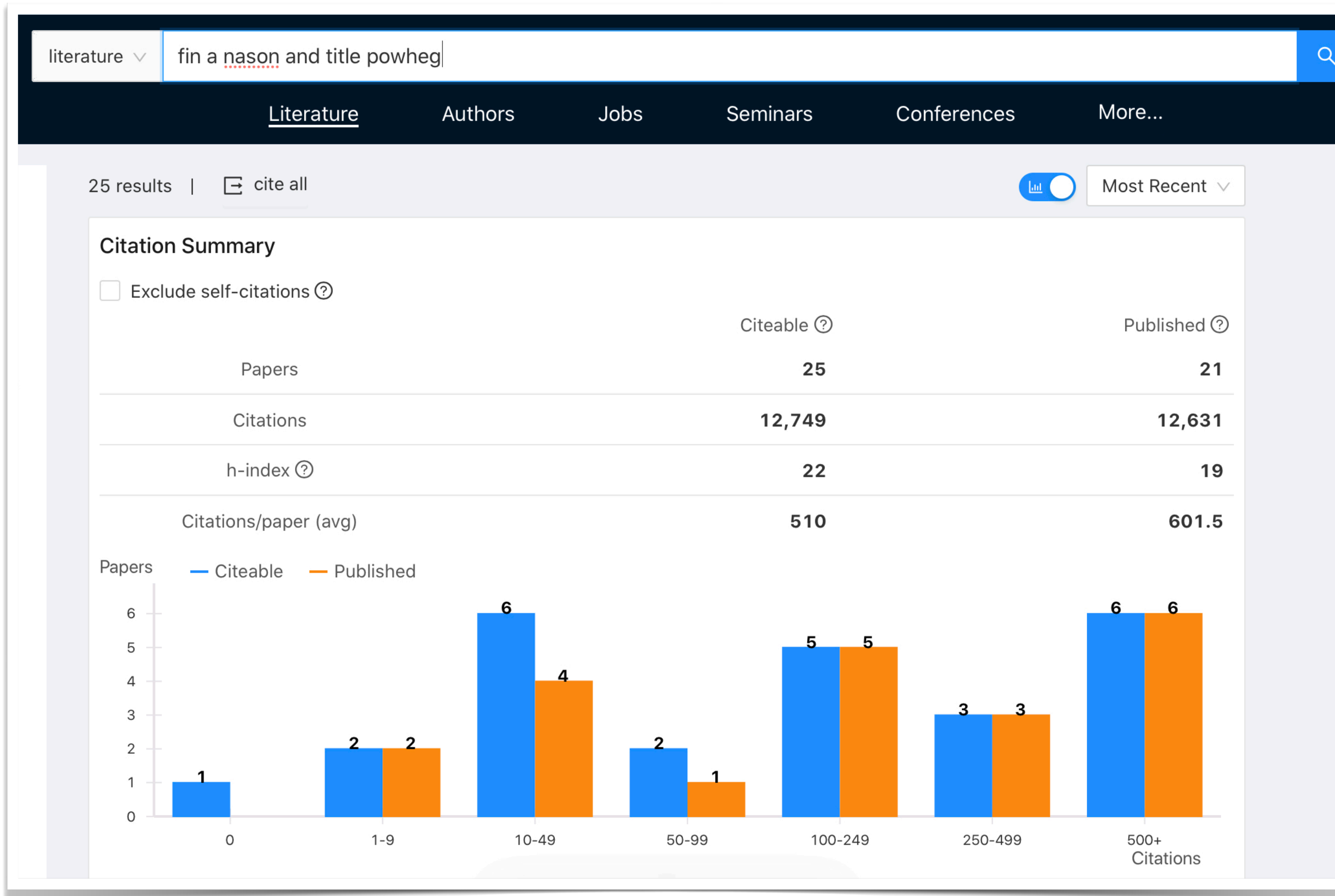
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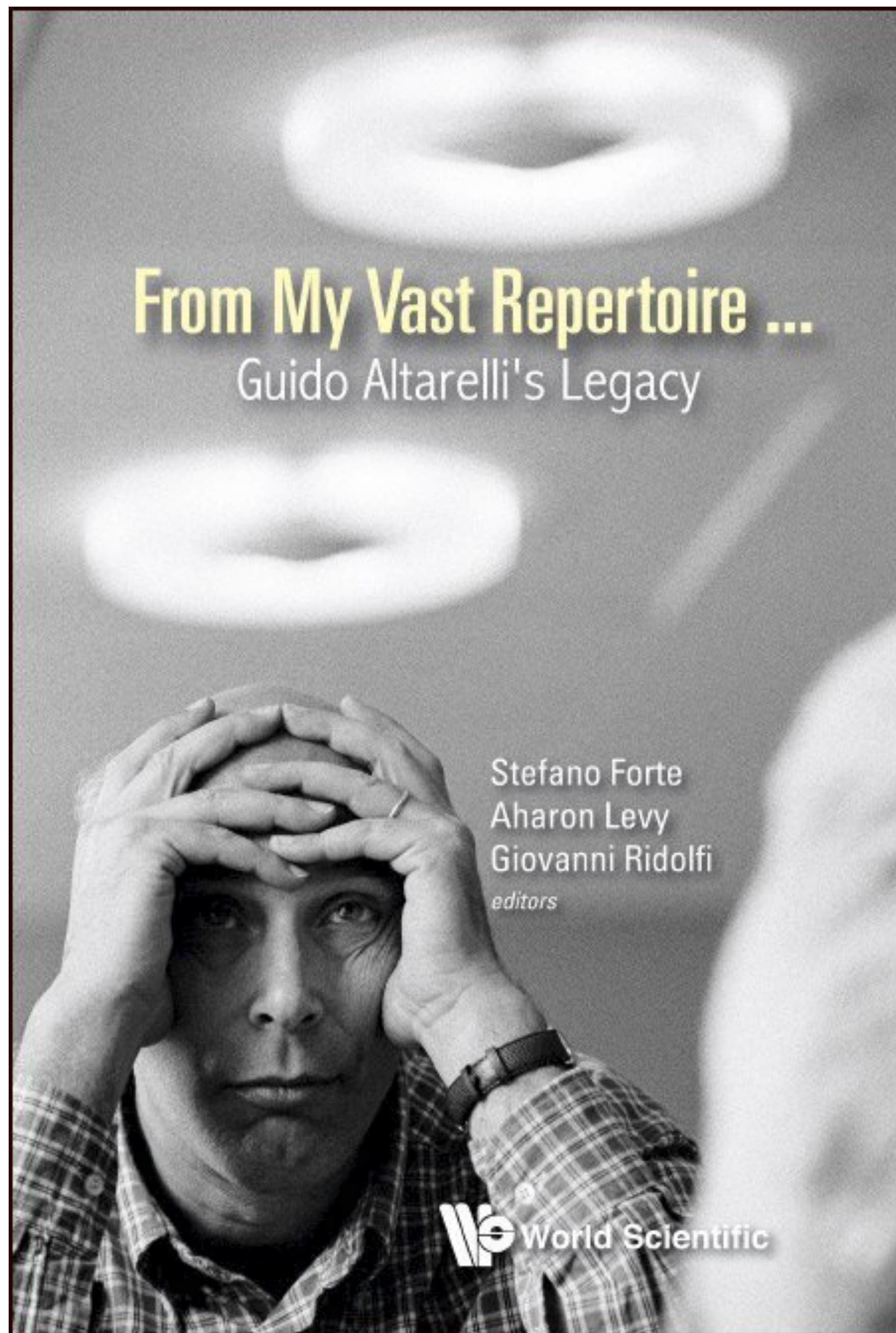
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