

Pushing the boundaries of threshold resummation

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Part B

Understanding subleading-power contributions

Improving perturbation theory

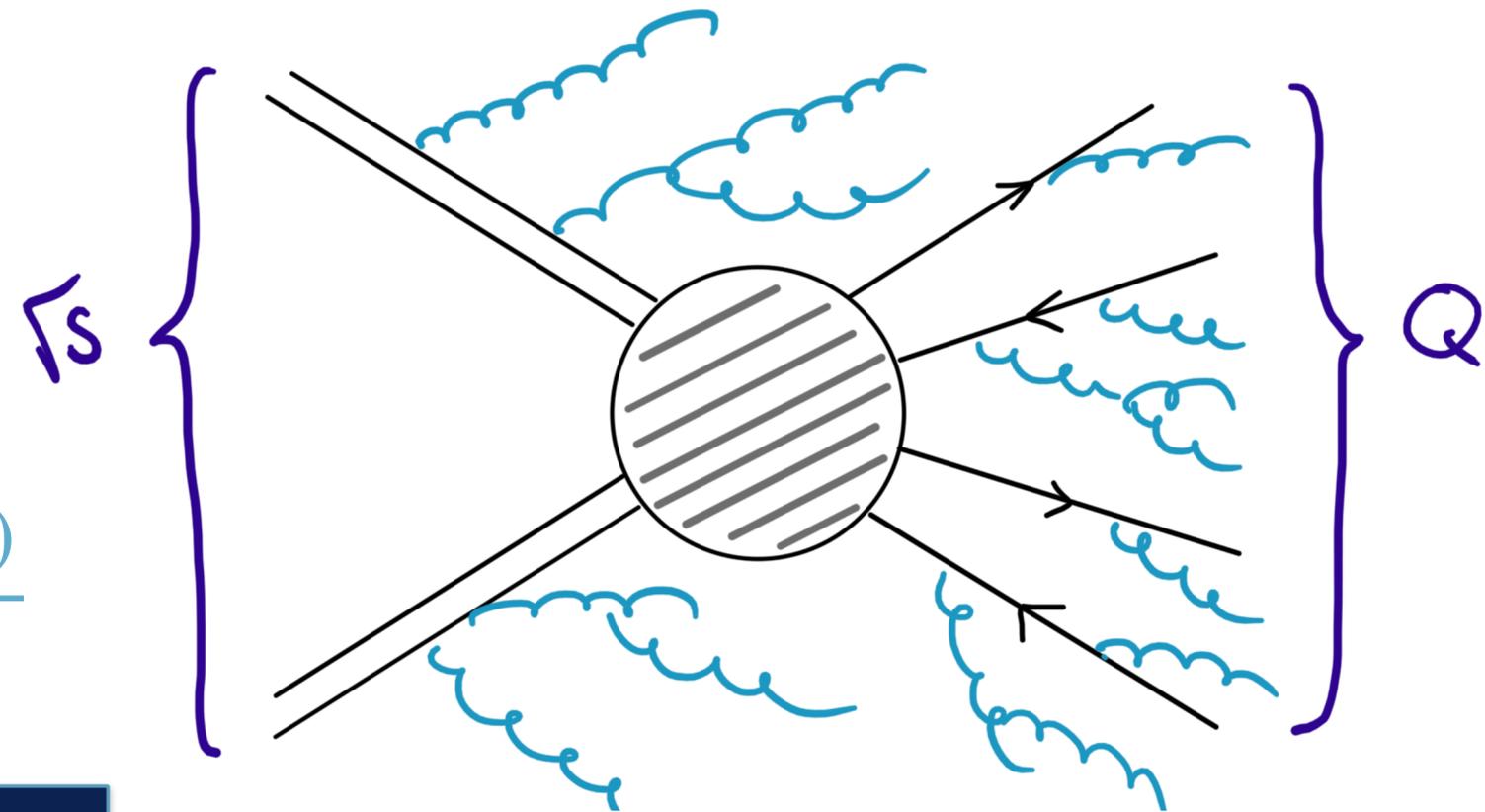
Fixed-order description of a differential cross section

$$d\sigma = \sum_n c_n \alpha_s^n = c_0 + c_1 \alpha_s + c_2 \alpha_s^2 + \dots$$

$$c_n = \sum_{k=0}^{k_{\max,n}} d_{nk} L^k + f_n,$$

L depends on observable, e.g. $L^k = \frac{\ln^{2k-1}(1 - Q^2/s)}{1 - Q^2/s}$

Corrections can be predicted accurately in the limit that $L^k \rightarrow \infty$ for $Q^2 \simeq s$ (soft/collinear gluon emissions)



Resummation: A new series

Based on the seminal papers by Parisi (1980); Curci and Greco (1980); Sterman (1987); Catani and Trentadue (1989, 1991)

LO	1		
NLO	$\alpha_s L^2$	$\alpha_s L$	α_s
NNLO	$\alpha_s^2 L^4$	$\alpha_s^2 L^3$	$\alpha_s^2 L^2$...
N ⁿ LO	$\alpha_s^n L^{2n}$	$\alpha_s^n L^{2n-1}$	$\alpha_s^n L^{2n-2}$...

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Leading-Log (LL)

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Next-to-Leading-Log (NLL)

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obeys perturbative expansion;
including $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$ leads to NLL' accuracy

Threshold resummation for a coloured final state

- Colour can be factorised when up to three hard partons are present

Can be proven using conservation of colour charge $\sum \mathbf{T}_i = 0$

- Colour interferences are created with four or more partons

- Resummation has been understood for $2 \rightarrow 2$ processes...

See e.g. Contopanagos, Laenen, Sterman [1996]; Kidonakis, Sterman [1997]

- ... $2 \rightarrow 2 + X$ with $X = h, W, Z, \gamma$

See e.g. [1409.1460], [1509.02780], [1510.01914], [1901.04243], [2001.03031], [2012.09170], [2212.00096]

- But what about $2 \rightarrow 4$, such as **4top production**?

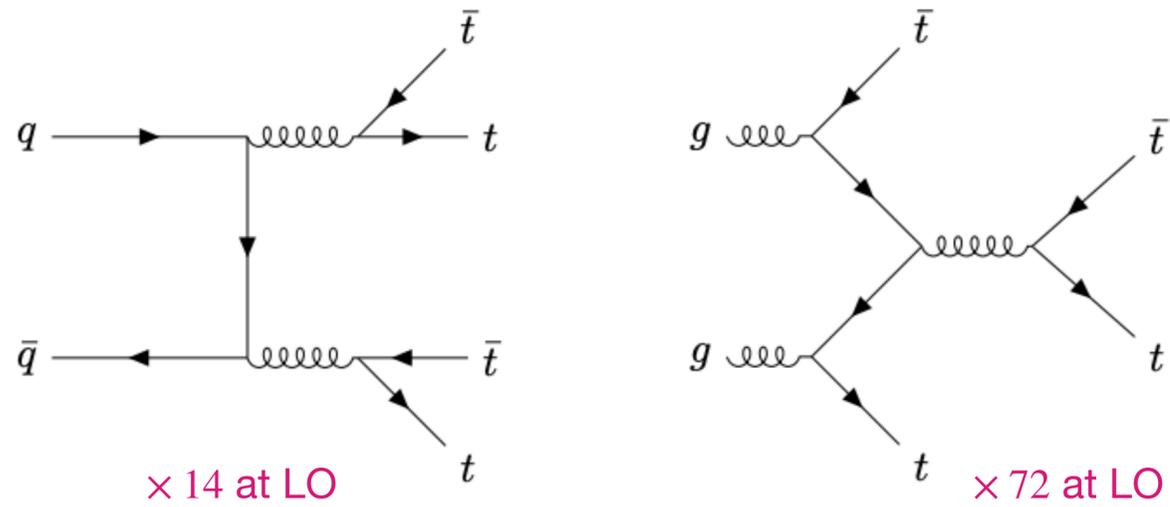
Part A

Threshold resummation for the 4top production process

[2212.03259]

with Anna Kulezsa and Laura Moreno Valero

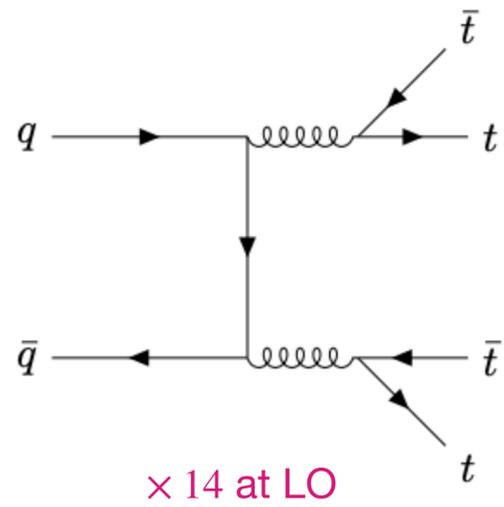
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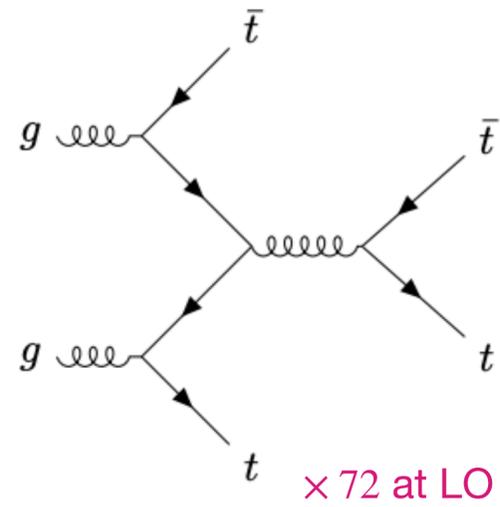
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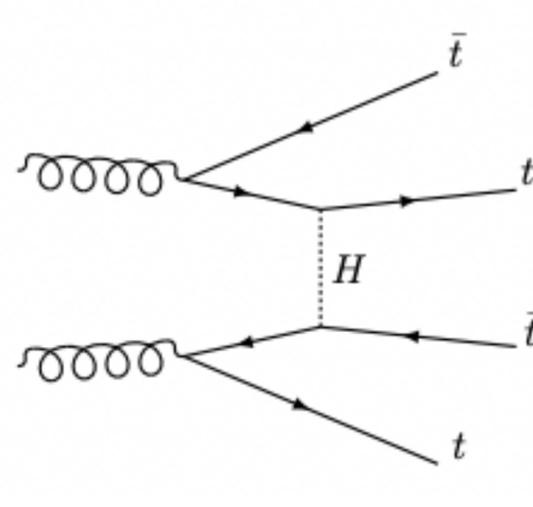
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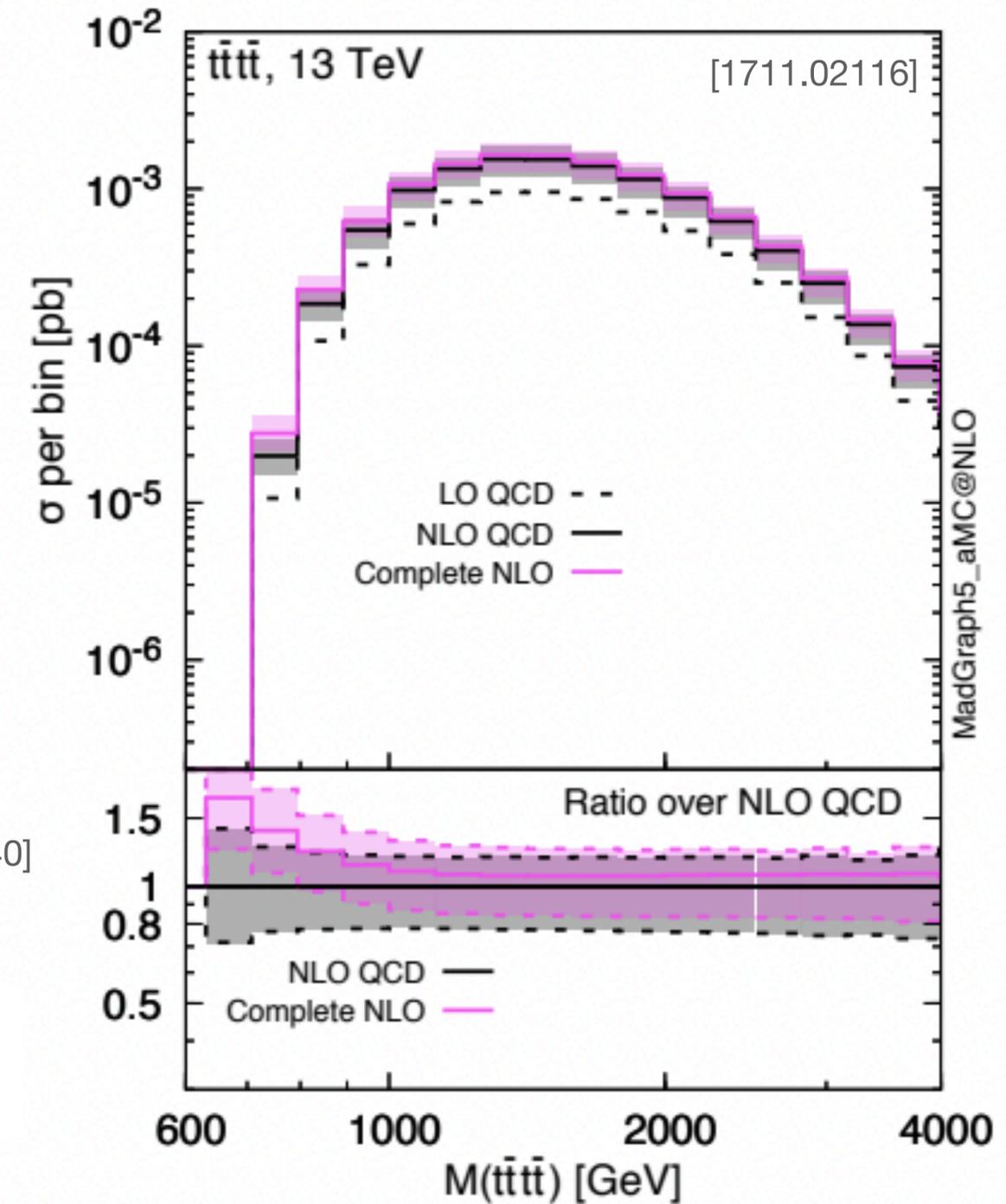


x 72 at LO

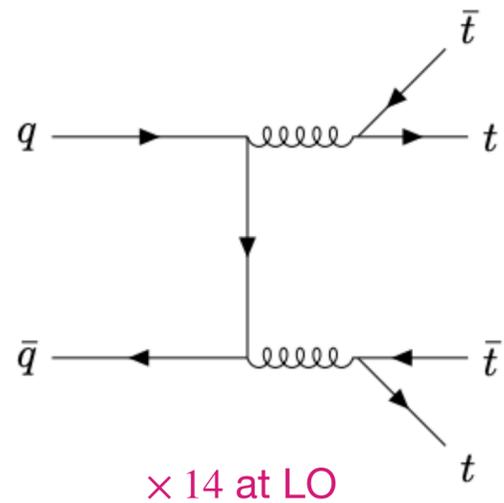


EW + QCD (i.e. $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2 \alpha^2)$)

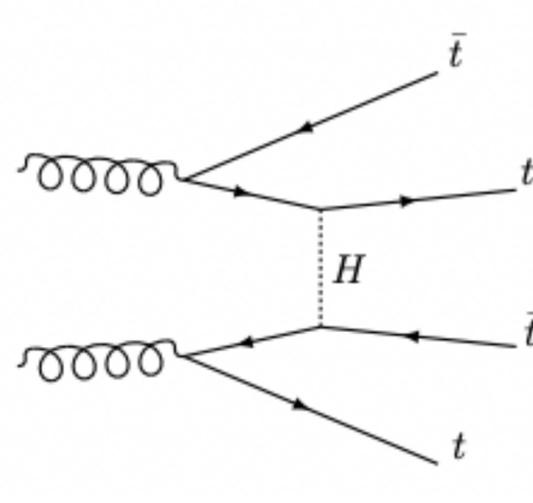
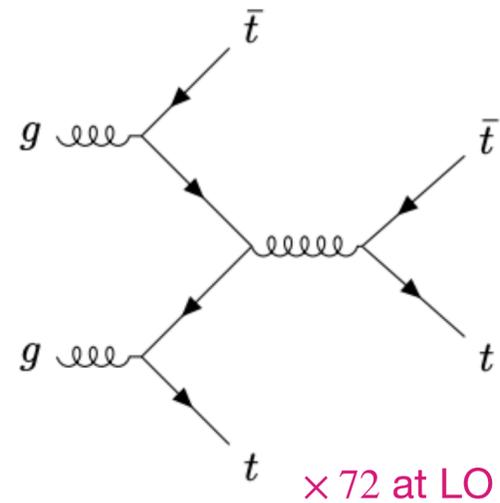
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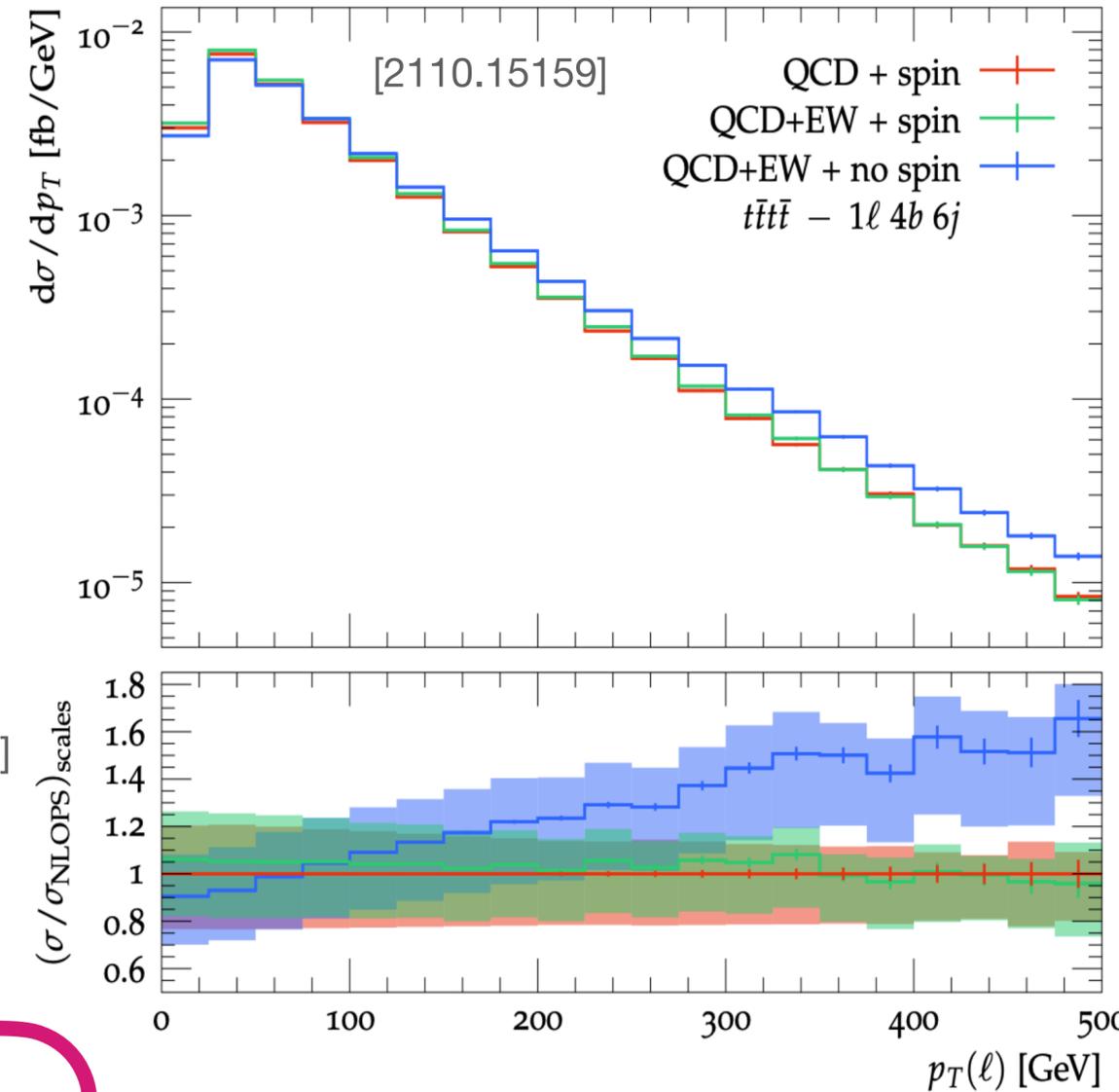


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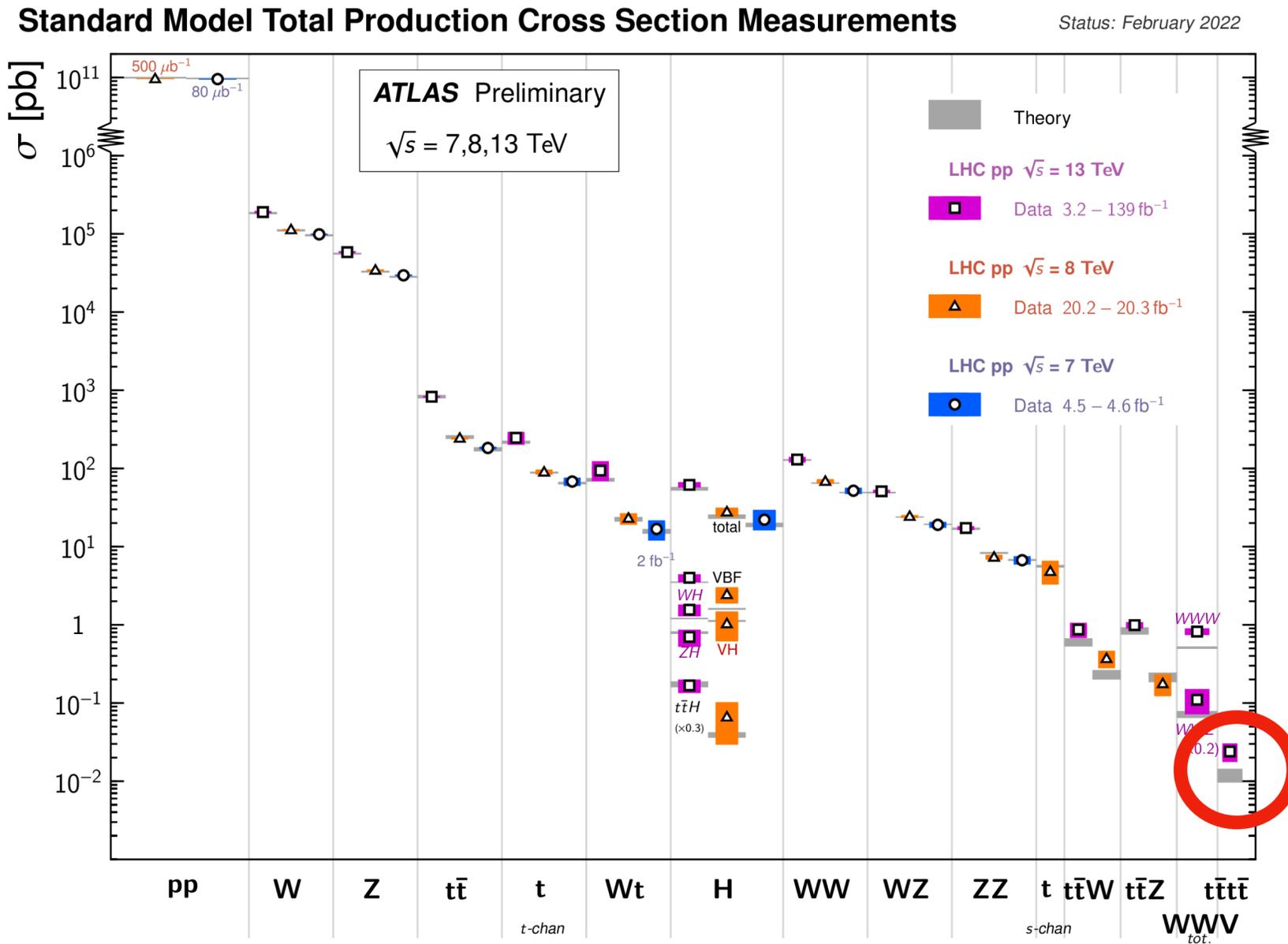
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- POWHEG-BOX implementation with spin correlations [2110.15159]



PDF	σ^{NLO} [fb]	δ_{scale}	δ_{PDF}	$\mathcal{K} = \frac{\text{NLO}}{\text{LO}}$	[2110.15159]
NNPDF3.1	11.65	+1.98 (17%)	+0.28 (2%)	1.33	$\mu_0 = H_T/4$
		-2.57 (22%)	-0.28 (2%)		
MMHT	11.62	+1.95 (17%)	+0.63 (5%)	1.04	$m_t = 172.5 \text{ GeV}$
		-2.54 (22%)	-0.53 (5%)		
CT18	11.74	+1.97 (17%)	+0.46 (4%)	1.06	
		-2.56 (22%)	-0.36 (3%)		

Status of 4top - experiment

First hints for its existence found by ATLAS and CMS!



In one/two opposite-sign lepton final-state channel
 + 10/8 jets...

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}\bar{t}}^{\text{ATLAS}} = 26 \pm 8(\text{stat.})_{-13}^{+15}(\text{syst.}) \text{ fb [2106.11683]}$$

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}\bar{t}}^{\text{CMS}} = 38_{-11}^{+13} \text{ fb [CMS-PAS-TOP-21-005]}$$

In two same-sign / > 3 lepton final-state channel

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}\bar{t}}^{\text{ATLAS}} = 24 \pm 5(\text{stat.})_{-4}^{+5}(\text{syst.}) \text{ fb [2007.14858]}$$

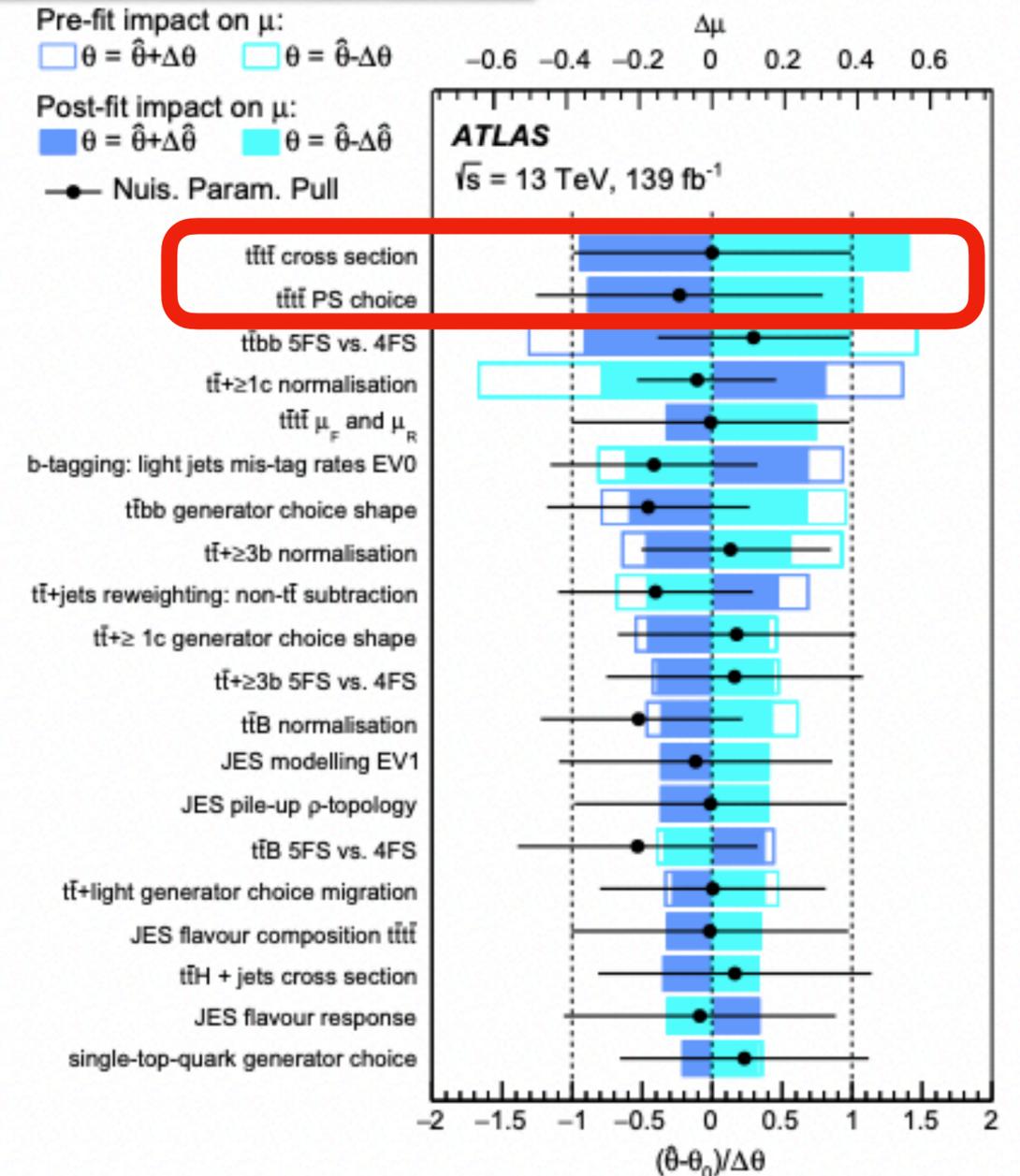
$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}\bar{t}}^{\text{CMS}} = 12.6_{-5.2}^{+5.8} \text{ fb [1908.06463]}$$

Uncertainties 4top

Uncertainty dominated by systematics!

ATLAS [2106.11683]

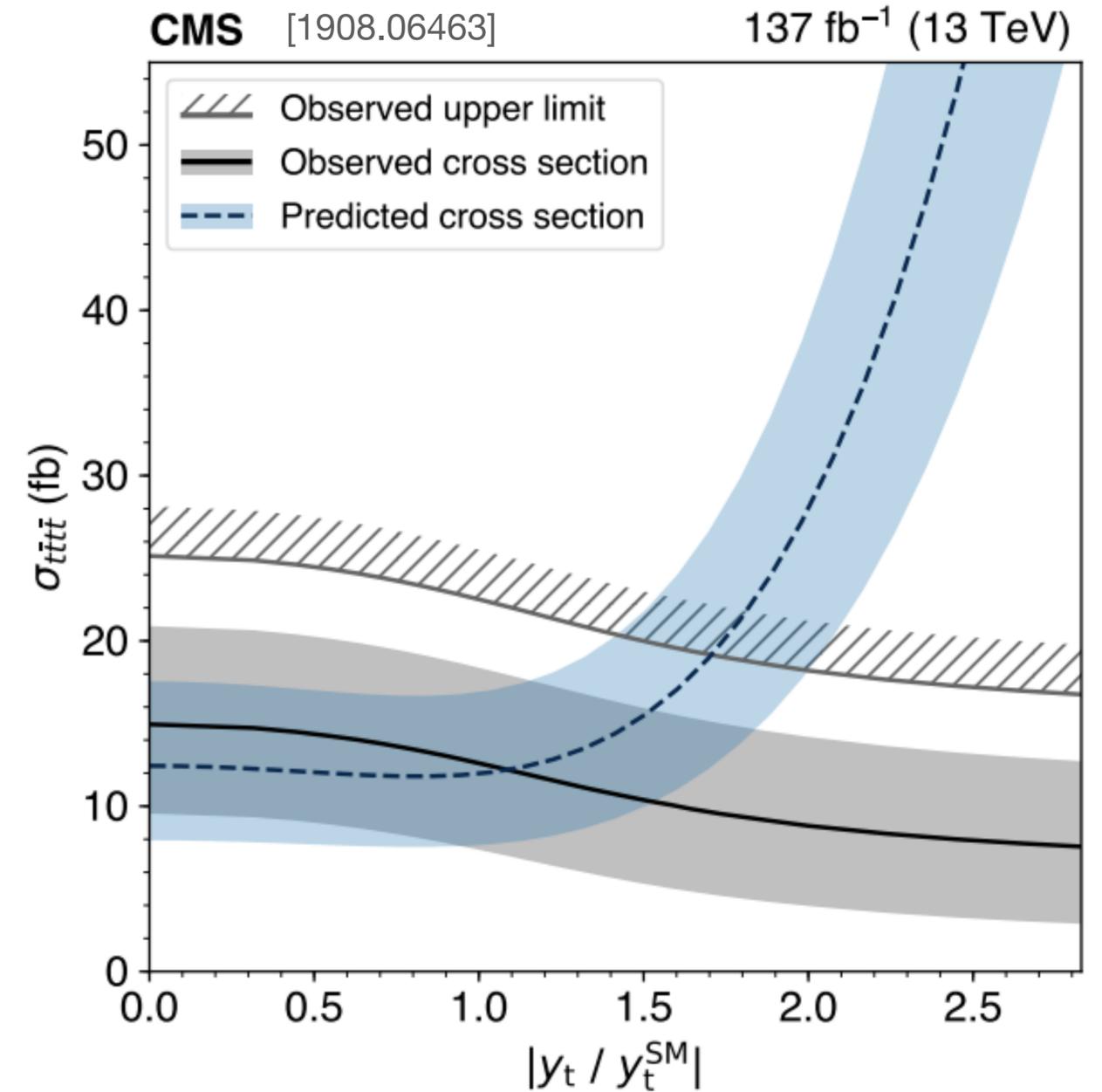
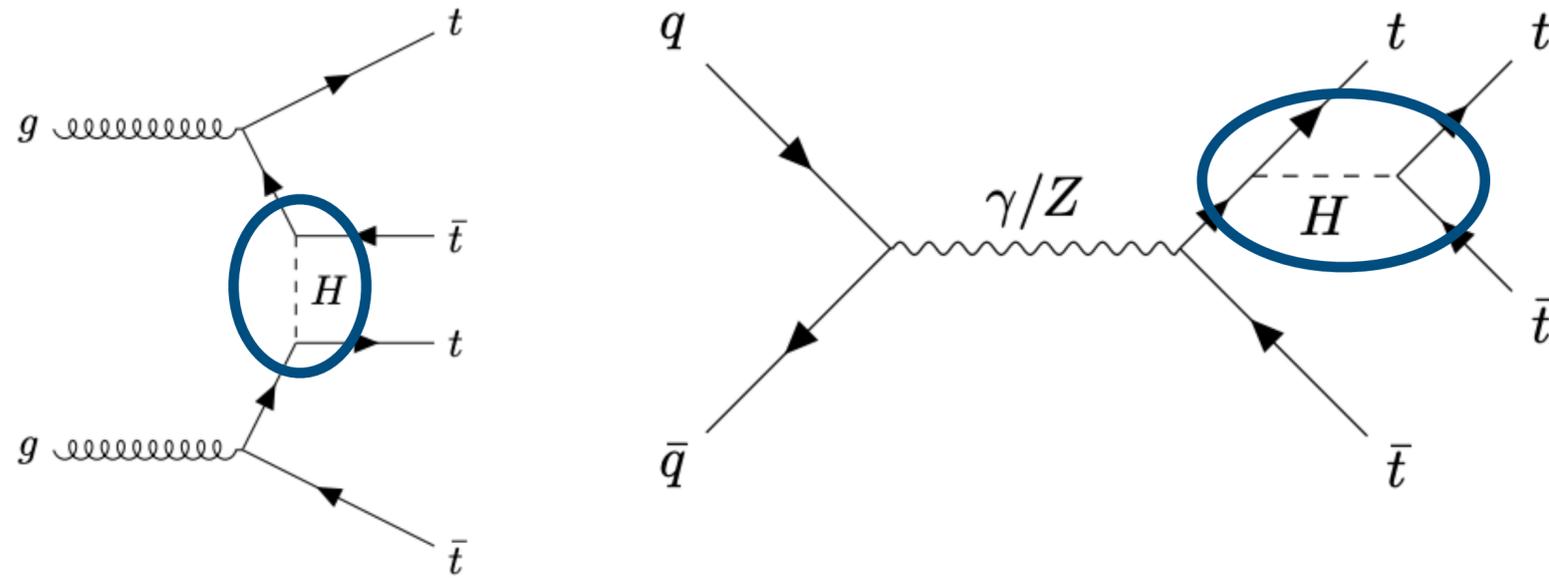
Uncertainty source	$\Delta\mu$	
Signal modelling		
$t\bar{t}\bar{t}\bar{t}$ cross section	+0.56	-0.31
$t\bar{t}\bar{t}\bar{t}$ modelling	+0.15	-0.09
Background modelling		
$t\bar{t}W$ +jets modelling	+0.26	-0.27
$t\bar{t}\bar{t}$ modelling	+0.10	-0.07
Non-prompt leptons modelling	+0.05	-0.04
$t\bar{t}H$ +jets modelling	+0.04	-0.01
$t\bar{t}Z$ +jets modelling	+0.02	-0.04
Other background modelling	+0.03	-0.02
Charge misassignment	+0.01	-0.02
Instrumental		
Jet uncertainties	+0.12	-0.08
Jet flavour tagging (light-flavour jets)	+0.11	-0.06
Simulation sample size	+0.06	-0.06
Luminosity	+0.05	-0.03
Jet flavour tagging (b -jets)	+0.04	-0.02
Jet flavour tagging (c -jets)	+0.03	-0.01
Other experimental uncertainties	+0.03	-0.01
Total systematic uncertainty	+0.70	-0.44
Statistical		
Non-prompt leptons normalisation (HF, Mat. Conv., Low m_{γ^*})	+0.05	-0.04
$t\bar{t}W$ normalisation	+0.04	-0.04
Total uncertainty	+0.83	-0.60



Besides $t\bar{t}\bar{t}\bar{t}$, uncertainties in $t\bar{t}W$, $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ background modeling and in jet energy scale / resolution contribute substantially

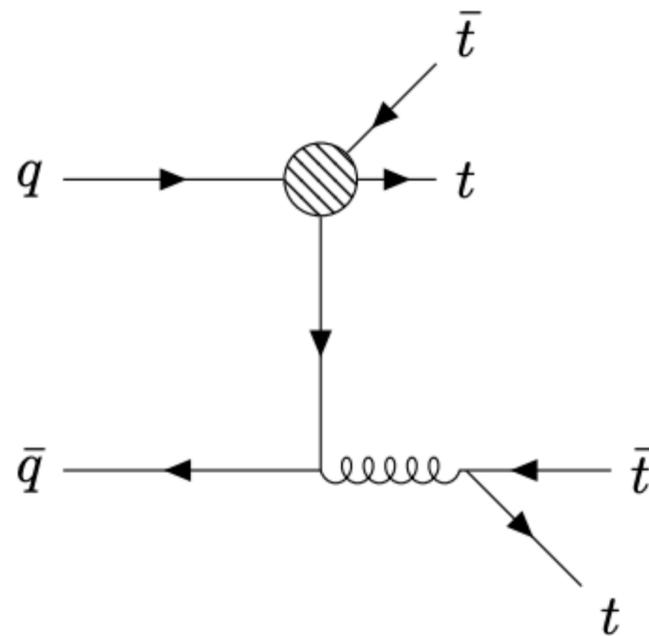
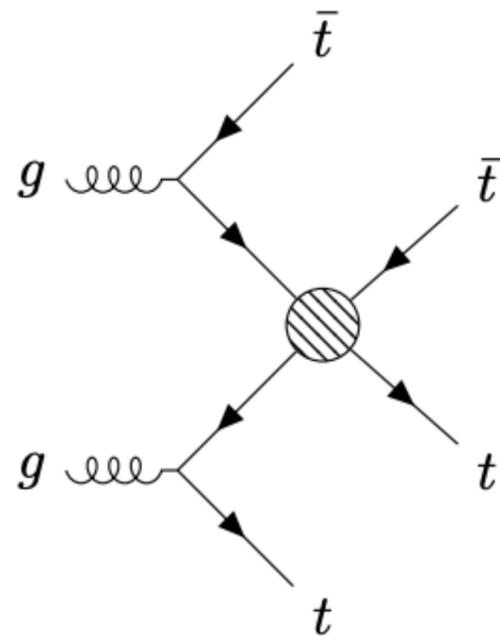
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- Constrain EFT coefficients see e.g. [2208.04962]
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 - Dimension-6 operator \hat{H} that modifies Higgs propagator



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- Probe the presence of new particles
 - Simplified DM models
 - Type II two Higgs doublet models
 - SUSY (both minimal and non-minimal models)

Threshold resummation for 4top

Logarithmic corrections grow large when $\sqrt{s} \rightarrow M \equiv 4m_t$ (*the absolute-threshold limit*)

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}t\bar{t}}(N) = \int_0^1 d\tau \tau^{N-1} \sigma_{t\bar{t}t\bar{t}}(\tau) \quad \tau = \frac{M^2}{S} = x_1 x_2 \rho$$

Transformation to Mellin space helps to obtain closed forms for the phase-space integrals

Usual factorisation for the hadronic total production cross section:

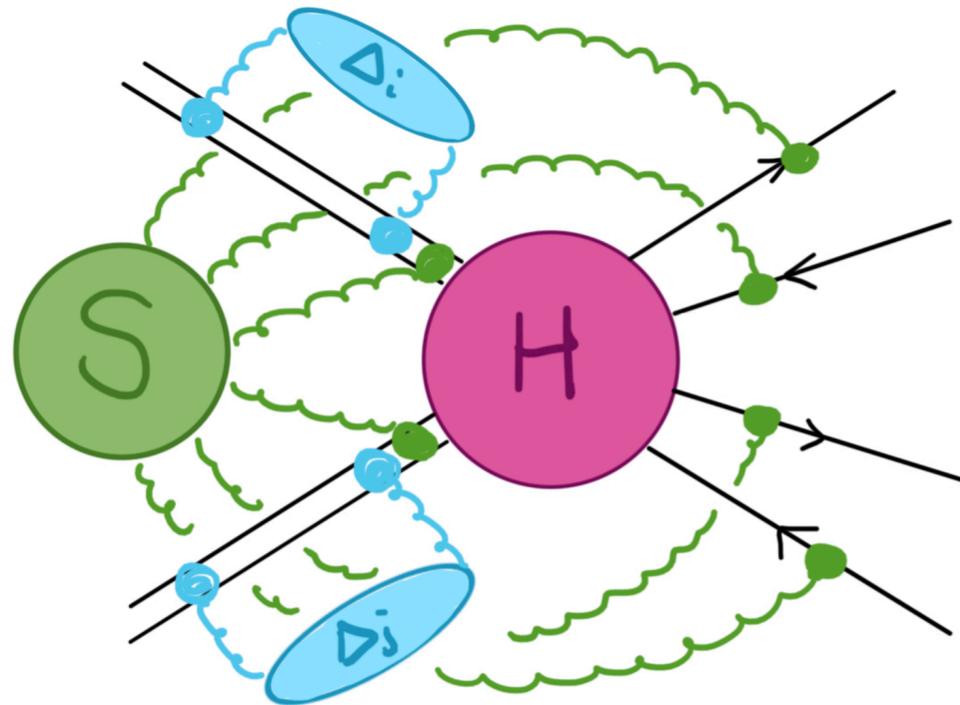
$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}t\bar{t}}(\tau) = \int_0^1 dx_1 f_i(x_1, \mu_F^2) \int_0^1 dx_2 f_j(x_2, \mu_F^2) \int_0^1 d\rho \delta\left(\rho - \frac{\tau}{x_1 x_2}\right) \hat{\sigma}_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}}(\rho)$$

*partonic cross section obeys refactorisation
when all radiation is soft and/or collinear*

Resummation for 4top

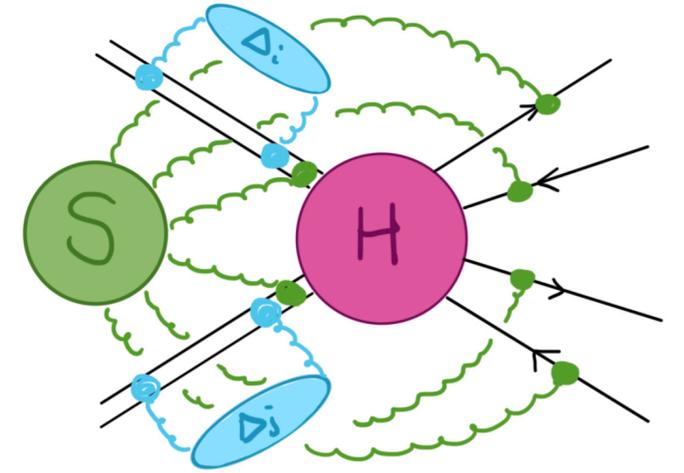
Mellin-space resummed cross section

$$\hat{\sigma}_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}\bar{t}\bar{t}}^{\text{res}}(N) = \text{Tr} \left[\mathbf{H}_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}\bar{t}\bar{t}} \bar{\mathbf{U}}_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}\bar{t}\bar{t}} \tilde{\mathbf{S}}_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}\bar{t}\bar{t}} \mathbf{U}_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}\bar{t}\bar{t}} \right] \Delta_i \Delta_j$$



Resummation for 4top

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Incoming jet functions
capture soft-collinear enhancements

$$\Delta_i = \exp \left[\frac{1}{\alpha_s} g_1(\lambda) + g_2(\lambda, \mu_R/M, \mu_F/M) \right]$$

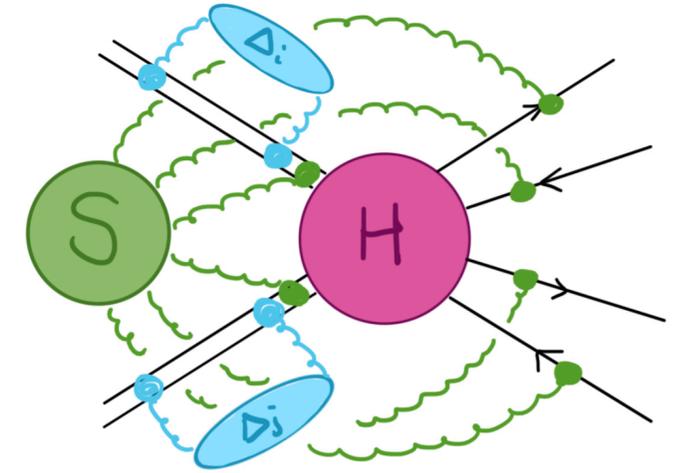
Needed at LL

Needed at NLL

$$\lambda = \alpha_s \ln(\bar{N}) = \alpha_s (\ln N + \gamma_E)$$

Resummation for 4top

Mellin-space resummed cross section



Soft function

captures wide-angle-soft enhancements

$$\hat{\sigma}_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}}^{\text{res}}(N) = \text{Tr} \left[\mathbf{H}_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}} \bar{\mathbf{U}}_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}} \tilde{\mathbf{S}}_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}} \mathbf{U}_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}} \right] \Delta_i \Delta_j$$

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Result of RGE equation with evolution matrix

$$\mathbf{U}_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}}(N, M^2/\mu_R^2) = \mathcal{P} \exp \left[\int_{\mu_R}^{M/\bar{N}} \frac{dq}{q} \mathbf{\Gamma}_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}}(\alpha_s(q^2)) \right]$$

And boundary condition at $\bar{N} = M/\mu_R$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{S}} = \tilde{\mathbf{S}}^{(0)} + \frac{\alpha_s(\mu_R)}{\pi} \tilde{\mathbf{S}}^{(1)} + \dots$$

Needed
at NLL

Needed
at NLL'

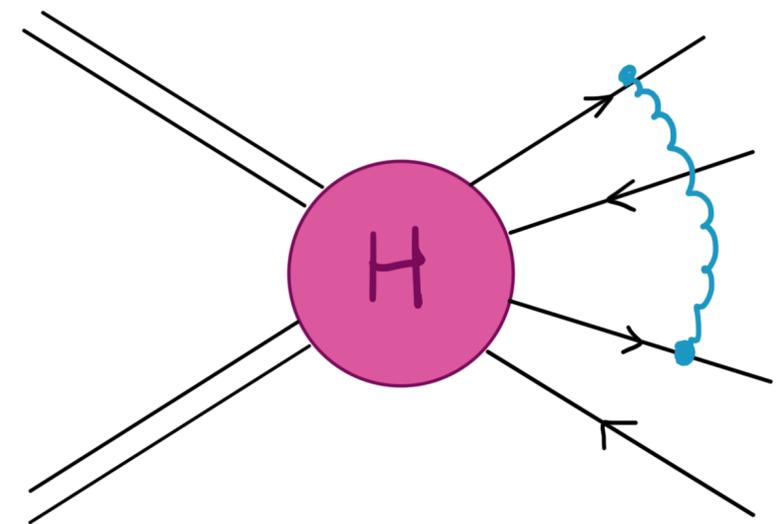
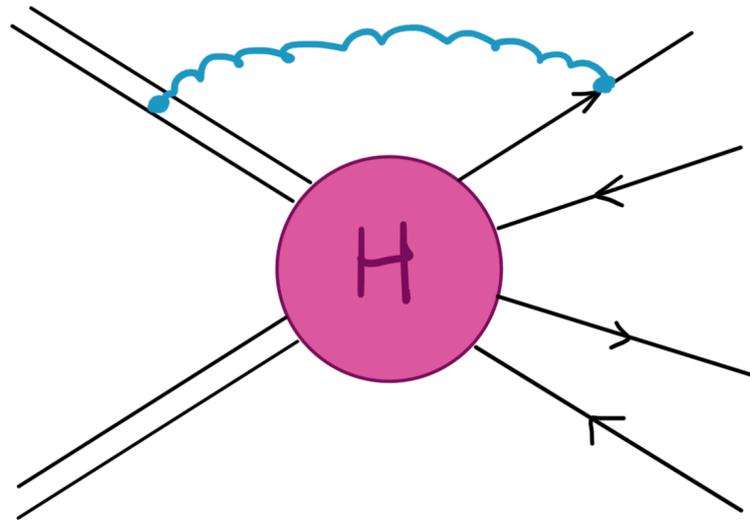
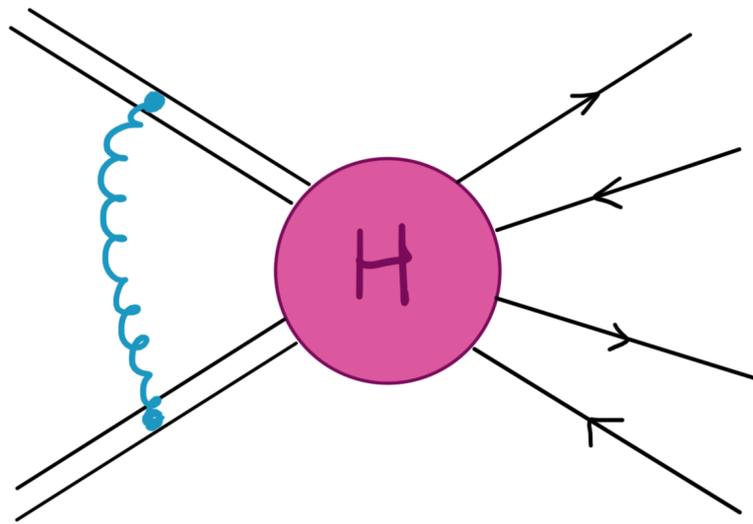
Colour structure 4top

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Soft-anomalous dimension (SAD) matrix

$$\mathbf{\Gamma}_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}\bar{t}\bar{t}}(\alpha_s) = \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \right) \mathbf{\Gamma}_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}\bar{t}\bar{t}}^{(1)} + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \right)^2 \mathbf{\Gamma}_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}\bar{t}\bar{t}}^{(2)} + \dots$$

Needed at NLL
Needed at NNLL



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Needed at NLL
Needed at NNLL

$$q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}\bar{t}\bar{t}$$

$$3 \otimes \bar{3} = 3 \otimes \bar{3} \otimes 3 \otimes \bar{3} \longrightarrow 1 \oplus 8 = 0 \oplus (2 \times 1) \oplus (2 \times 8) \oplus 8_S \oplus 8_A \oplus 10 \oplus \bar{10} \oplus 27$$

leads to a 6-dimensional SAD

$$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}\bar{t}\bar{t}$$

$$8 \otimes 8 = 3 \otimes \bar{3} \otimes 3 \otimes \bar{3} \longrightarrow 0 \oplus 1 \oplus 8_S \oplus 8_A \oplus 10 \oplus \bar{10} \oplus 27 = 0 \oplus (2 \times 1) \oplus (2 \times 8) \oplus 8_S \oplus 8_A \oplus 10 \oplus \bar{10} \oplus 27$$

leads to a 14-dimensional SAD

SAD for $q\bar{q}$
(Full kinematics)

In colour basis of [1207.0609]

$$\Gamma_{11} = \frac{(L34 + L56 + 2)(Nc^2 - 1)}{2 Nc}$$

$$\Gamma_{12} = \frac{(-L35 + L36 + L45 - L46) \sqrt{Nc^2 - 1}}{2 Nc}$$

$$\Gamma_{13} = \frac{\sqrt{Nc^2 - 1} (-T15 + T16 + T25 - T26)}{2 Nc}$$

$$\Gamma_{14} = \frac{\sqrt{Nc^2 - 1} (-T13 + T14 + T23 - T24)}{2 Nc}$$

$$\Gamma_{15} = 0$$

$$\Gamma_{16} = 0$$

$$\Gamma_{21} = \frac{(-L35 + L36 + L45 - L46) \sqrt{Nc^2 - 1}}{2 Nc}$$

$$\Gamma_{22} = \frac{-L36 Nc^2 - L45 Nc^2 - 2 Nc^2 + L34 - 2 L35 + 2 L36 + 2 L45 - 2 L46 + L56 + 2}{2 Nc}$$

$$\Gamma_{23} = \frac{-T13 + T14 + T23 - T24}{2 Nc}$$

$$\Gamma_{24} = \frac{-T15 + T16 + T25 - T26}{2 Nc}$$

$$\Gamma_{25} = \frac{-2 Nc \sqrt{Nc^2 - 4} (-T13 + T14 - T15 + T16 + T23 - T24 + T25 - T26)}{2 \sqrt{2} Nc}$$

$$\Gamma_{26} = \frac{T13 + T14 - T15 - T16 - T23 - T24 + T25 + T26}{2 \sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Gamma_{31} = \frac{\sqrt{Nc^2 - 1} (-T15 + T16 + T25 - T26)}{2 Nc}$$

$$\Gamma_{32} = \frac{-T13 + T14 + T23 - T24}{2 Nc}$$

$$\Gamma_{33} = \frac{-L34 Nc^2 + T15 Nc^2 + T26 Nc^2 - Nc^2 + L34 + L56 - 2 T15 + 2 T16 + 2 T25 - 2 T26 + 2}{2 Nc}$$

$$\Gamma_{34} = \frac{-L35 + L36 + L45 - L46}{2 Nc}$$

$$\Gamma_{35} = \frac{\sqrt{Nc^2 - 4} (-L35 + L36 + L45 - L46 - T13 + T14 + T23 - T24)}{2 \sqrt{2} Nc}$$

$$\Gamma_{36} = \frac{L35 + L36 - L45 - L46 + T13 - T14 + T23 - T24}{2 \sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Gamma_{41} = \frac{\sqrt{Nc^2 - 1} (-T13 + T14 + T23 - T24)}{2 Nc}$$

$$\Gamma_{42} = \frac{-T15 + T16 + T25 - T26}{2 Nc}$$

$$\Gamma_{43} = \frac{-L35 + L36 + L45 - L46}{2 Nc}$$

$$\Gamma_{44} = \frac{-L56 Nc^2 + T13 Nc^2 + T24 Nc^2 - Nc^2 + L34 + L56 - 2 T13 + 2 T14 + 2 T23 - 2 T24 + 2}{2 Nc}$$

$$\Gamma_{45} = \frac{\sqrt{Nc^2 - 4} (-L35 + L36 + L45 - L46 - T15 + T16 + T25 - T26)}{2 \sqrt{2} Nc}$$

$$\Gamma_{46} = \frac{-L35 + L36 - L45 + L46 - T15 + T16 - T25 + T26}{2 \sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Gamma_{51} = 0$$

$$\Gamma_{52} = \frac{\sqrt{Nc^2 - 4} (-T13 + T14 - T15 + T16 + T23 - T24 + T25 - T26)}{2 \sqrt{2} Nc}$$

$$\Gamma_{53} = \frac{\sqrt{Nc^2 - 4} (-L35 + L36 + L45 - L46 - T13 + T14 + T23 - T24)}{2 \sqrt{2} Nc}$$

$$\Gamma_{54} = \frac{\sqrt{Nc^2 - 4} (-L35 + L36 + L45 - L46 - T15 + T16 + T25 - T26)}{2 \sqrt{2} Nc}$$

$$\Gamma_{55} = \frac{-L36 Nc^2 - L45 Nc^2 + T13 Nc^2 + T15 Nc^2 + T24 Nc^2 + T26 Nc^2 - 2 Nc^2 + 2 L34 - 6 L35 + 6 L36 + 6 L45 - 6 L46 + 2 L56 - 6 T13 + 6 T14 - 6 T15 + 6 T16 + 6 T23 - 6 T24 + 6 T25 - 6 T26 + 4}{4 Nc}$$

$$\Gamma_{56} = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{Nc^2 - 4} (L36 - L45 + T13 - T15 - T24 + T26)$$

$$\Gamma_{61} = 0$$

$$\Gamma_{62} = \frac{T13 + T14 - T15 - T16 - T23 - T24 + T25 + T26}{2 \sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Gamma_{63} = \frac{L35 + L36 - L45 - L46 + T13 - T14 + T23 - T24}{2 \sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Gamma_{64} = \frac{-L35 + L36 - L45 + L46 - T15 + T16 - T25 + T26}{2 \sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Gamma_{65} = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{Nc^2 - 4} (L36 - L45 + T13 - T15 - T24 + T26)$$

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$$\Gamma_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}\bar{t}}(\alpha_s) = \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right) \Gamma_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}\bar{t}}^{(1)} + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^2 \Gamma_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}\bar{t}}^{(2)} + \dots$$

$U_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}\bar{t}}(N, M^2/\mu_R^2) = \mathcal{P} \exp$

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leads to a 14-dimensional SAD

Colour structure 4top

$$\bar{\mathbf{U}} \tilde{\mathbf{S}} \mathbf{U} = \tilde{\mathbf{S}}_R \exp \left[\frac{2\text{Re}(\Gamma_R)}{2\pi b_0} \ln(1 - 2\lambda) \right]$$

$$C_2(\mathbf{1}) = 0$$

$$C_2(\mathbf{8}_{(A/S)}) = N_c = 3$$

$$C_2(\mathbf{10}, \bar{\mathbf{10}}) = 2N_c = 6$$

$$C_2(\mathbf{27}) = 2(N_c + 1) = 8$$

$$C_2(N_c^2(N_c - 3)(N_c + 1)/4 = \mathbf{0}) = 2(N_c - 1) = 4$$

$$q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$$

$$\mathbf{3} \otimes \bar{\mathbf{3}} = \mathbf{3} \otimes \bar{\mathbf{3}} \otimes \mathbf{3} \otimes \bar{\mathbf{3}} \longrightarrow \mathbf{1} \oplus \mathbf{8} = \mathbf{0} \oplus (2 \times \mathbf{1}) \oplus (2 \times \mathbf{8}) \oplus \mathbf{8}_S \oplus \mathbf{8}_A \oplus \mathbf{10} \oplus \bar{\mathbf{10}} \oplus \mathbf{27}$$

Absolute threshold limit: $2\text{Re}[\Gamma_{R,q\bar{q}}^{(1)}] = \text{diag}(0, 0, -3, -3, -3, -3)$

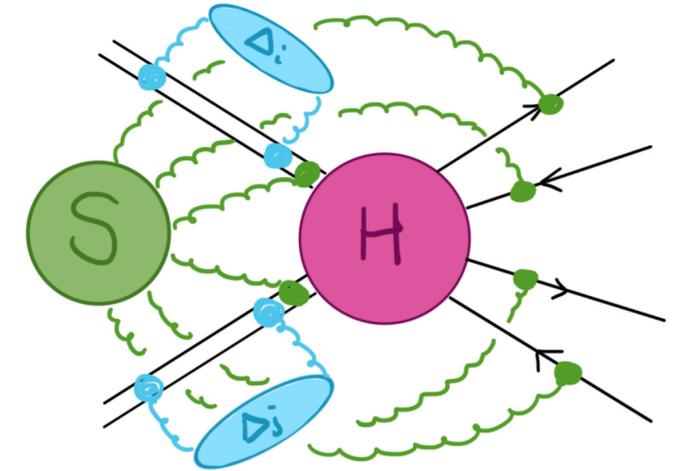
$$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$$

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Resummation for 4top

Mellin-space resummed cross section



Soft function

captures wide-angle-soft enhancements

$$\hat{\sigma}_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}}^{\text{res}}(N) = \text{Tr} \left[\mathbf{H}_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}} \bar{\mathbf{U}}_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}} \tilde{\mathbf{S}}_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}} \mathbf{U}_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}} \right] \Delta_i \Delta_j$$

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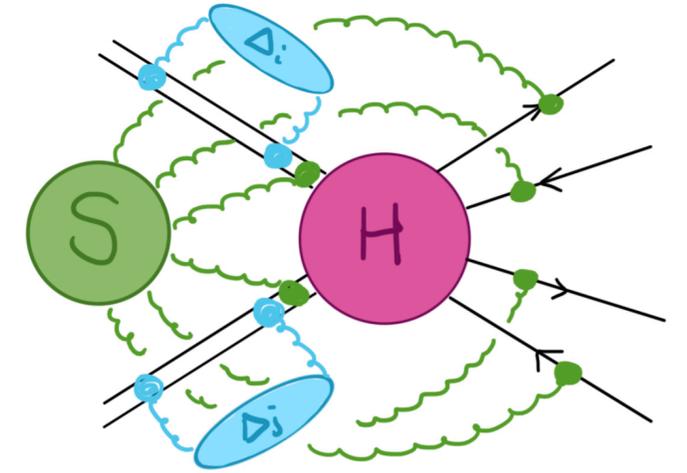
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NLL

Projection on colour space R

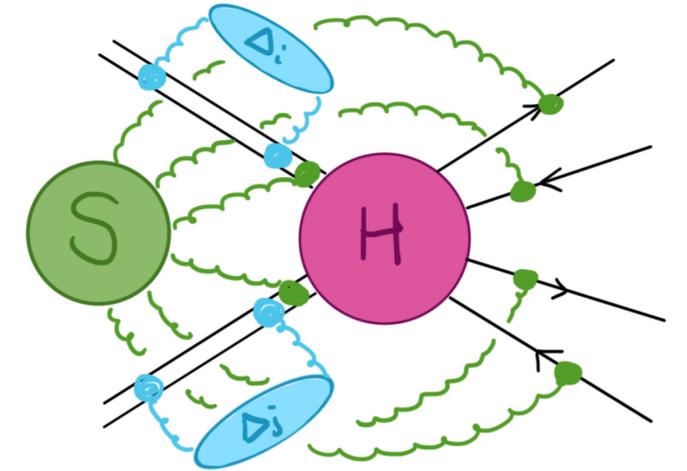
$$H_{IJ}^{(0)} = \frac{1}{2s} \int_0^1 d\rho \rho^{N-1} \int d\Phi^B \sum_{\text{colour}(K,L), \text{spin}} \mathcal{A}_K^{(0)} \mathcal{A}_L^{\dagger(0)} \langle c_L | c_J \rangle \langle c_I | c_K \rangle$$

Born phase-space integration

Colour-stripped amplitude

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NLL'

$$\mathbf{H}^{(1)} = \mathbf{V}^{(1)} + \mathbf{C}^{(1)} \quad (\text{MG5@NLO to extract } \mathbf{H}^{(0)} \text{ and } \mathbf{V}^{(1)})$$

Virtual one-loop contributions Collinear end-point contributions

Matching to fixed order

Go back to physical space by an inverse Mellin transform

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}\bar{t}}^{\text{NLL}^{(\prime)}}(\tau) = \int_{\mathcal{C}} \frac{dN}{2\pi i} \tau^{-N} f_i(N+1, \mu_F^2) f_j(N+1, \mu_F^2) \times \hat{\sigma}_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}\bar{t}}^{\text{res}}(N)$$

Match to fixed-order predictions through

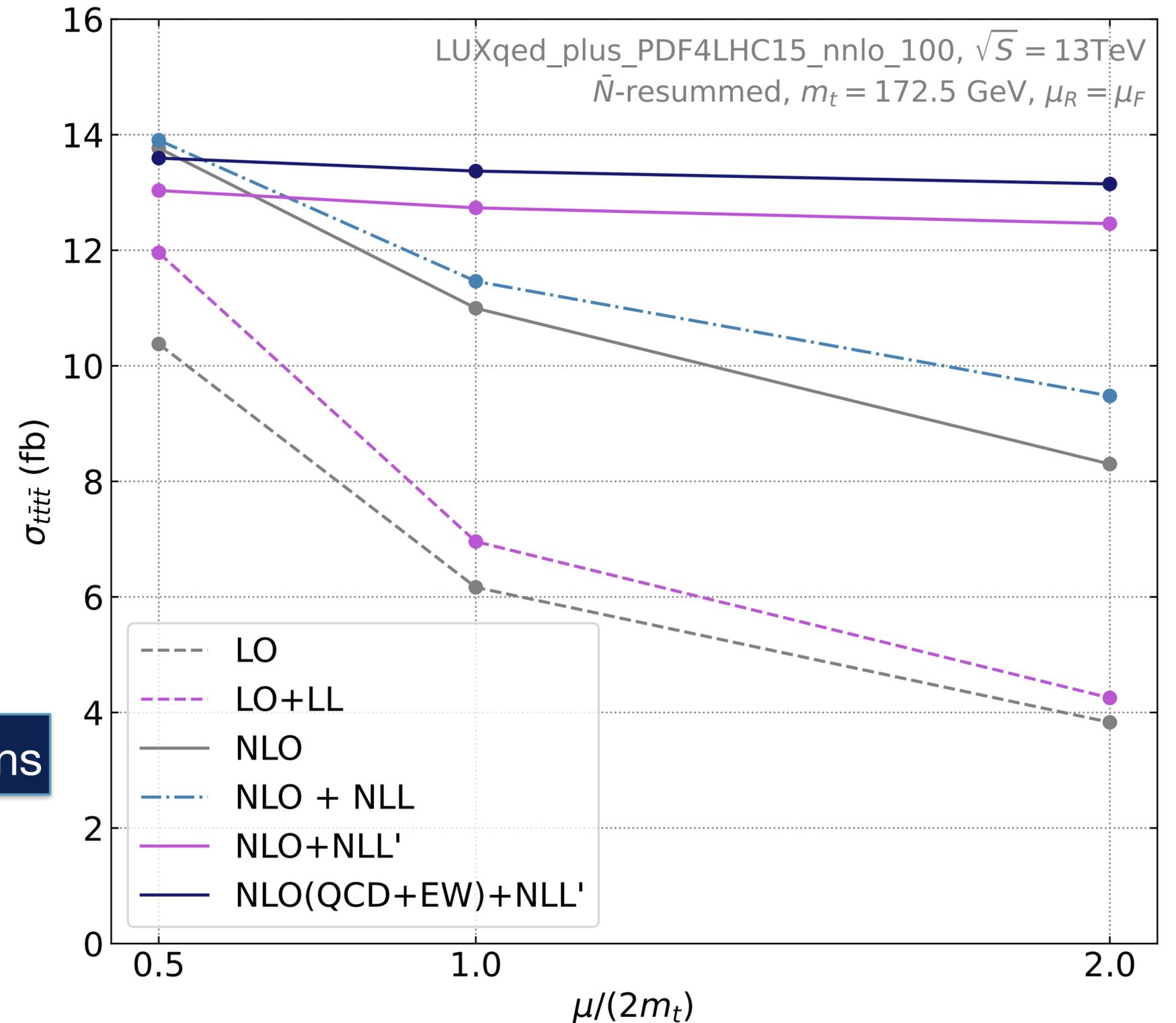
$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}\bar{t}}^{\text{NLO+NLL}^{(\prime)}}(\tau) = \sigma_{t\bar{t}\bar{t}}^{\text{NLO}}(\tau) + \int_{\mathcal{C}} \frac{dN}{2\pi i} \tau^{-N} f_i(N+1, \mu_F^2) f_j(N+1, \mu_F^2) \times \left[\hat{\sigma}_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}\bar{t}}^{\text{res}}(N) - \hat{\sigma}_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}\bar{t}}^{\text{res}}(N)|_{\text{NLO}} \right]$$

Consider both QCD-only NLO corrections
and QCD + EW (LO only)

Results

- LHC at 13 TeV
- $\mu_R = \mu_F = 2m_t$
- $m_t = 172.5$ GeV
- PDF4LHC with LUXqed PDF set
(includes photon PDFs)

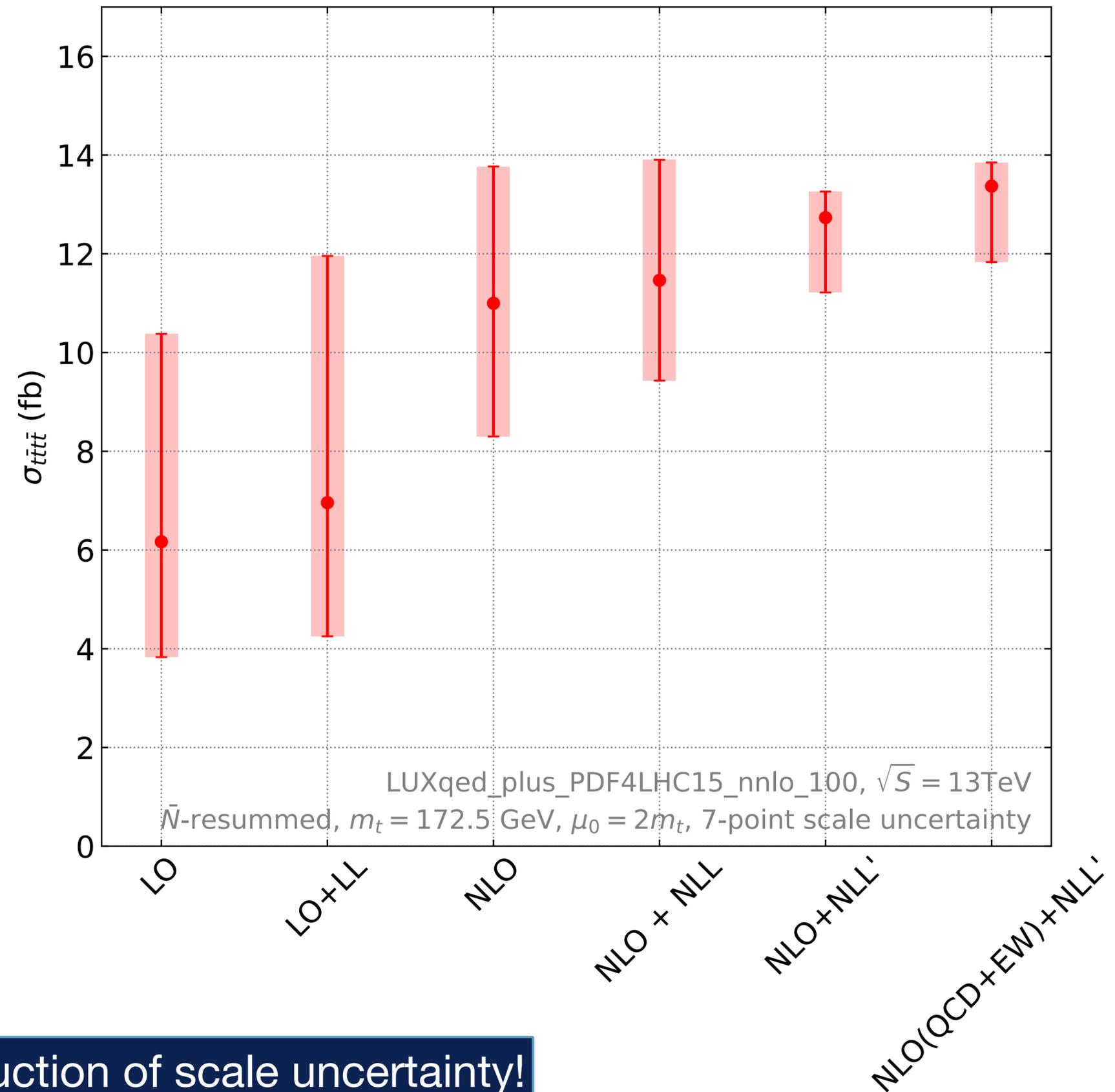
Result is extremely stable under μ variations



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	$\sigma_{t\bar{t}\bar{t}}$ (fb)	K -factor
NLO	$11.00(2)^{+25.2\%}_{-24.5\%}$	
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NLO(QCD+EW)	$11.64(2)^{+23.2\%}_{-22.8\%}$	
NLO(QCD+EW)+NLL	$12.10(2)^{+19.5\%}_{-16.3\%}$	1.04
NLO(QCD+EW)+NLL'	$13.37(2)^{+3.6\%}_{-11.4\%}$	1.15

PDF error is 6.9%

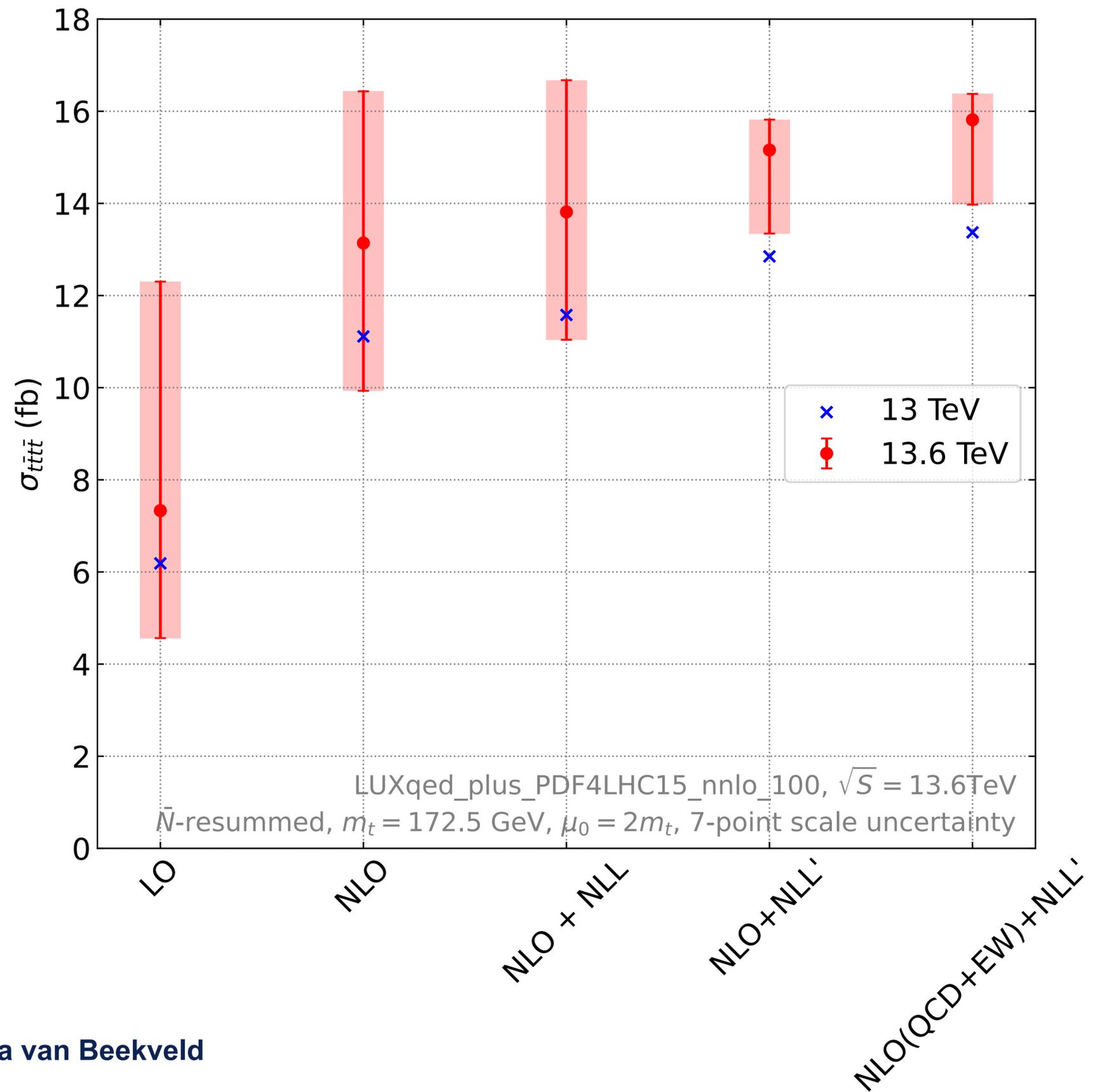


We find a huge reduction of scale uncertainty!

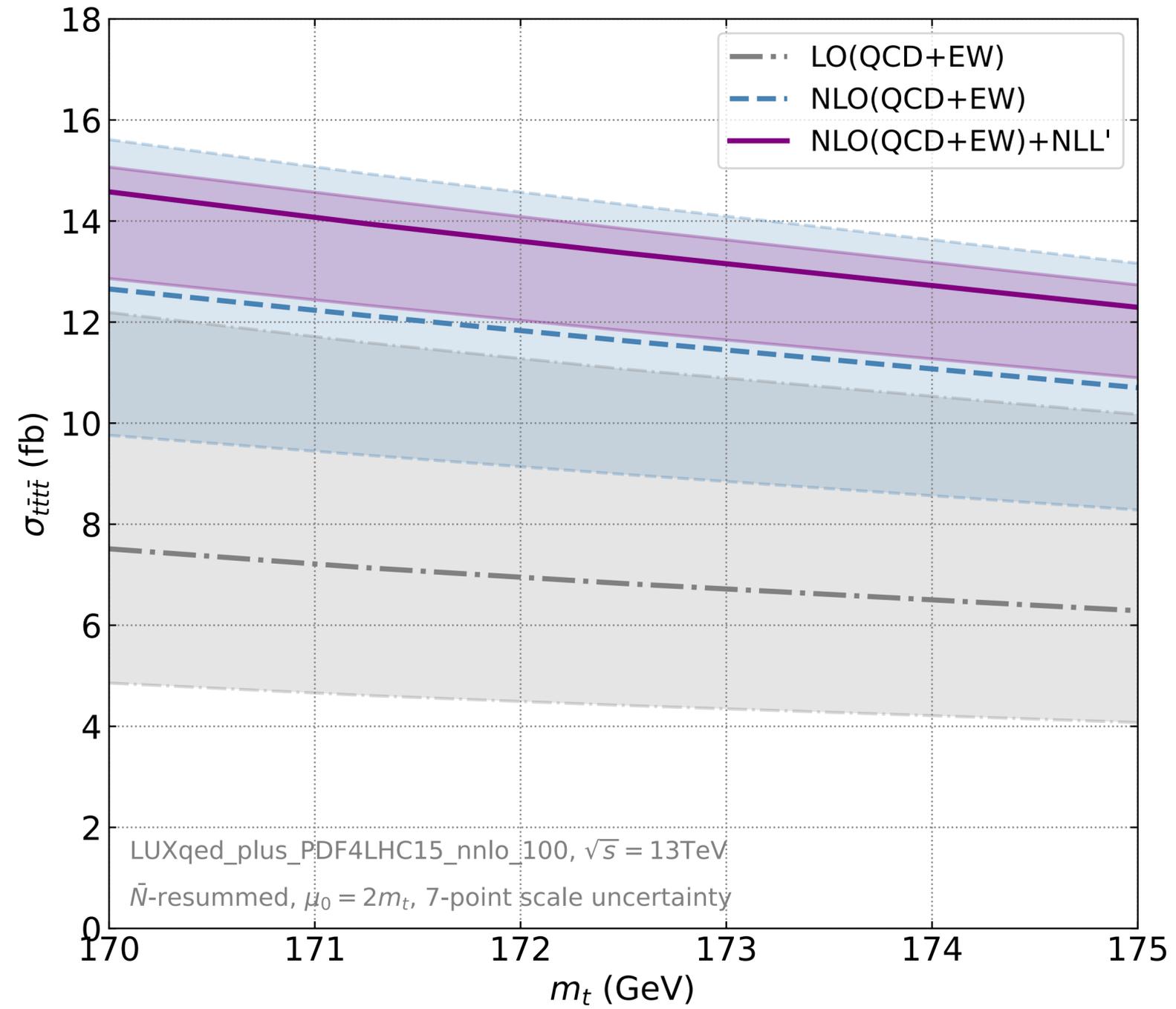
Results for 13.6 TeV

	$\sigma_{t\bar{t}\bar{t}}$ (fb)	K -factor
NLO	$13.14(2)^{+25.1\%}_{-24.4\%}$	
NLO+NLL	$13.81(2)^{+20.7\%}_{-20.1\%}$	1.05
NLO+NLL'	$15.16(2)^{+4.3\%}_{-11.9\%}$	1.15
NLO(QCD+EW)	$13.80(2)^{+22.9\%}_{-22.6\%}$	
NLO(QCD+EW)+NLL	$14.47(2)^{+18.4\%}_{-18.5\%}$	1.05
NLO(QCD+EW)+NLL'	$15.81(2)^{+3.6\%}_{-11.6\%}$	1.14

PDF error is 6.7%



Results for different top masses



Part B

Next-to-leading power corrections

[2101.07270], [2109.09752]

with Eric Laenen, Jort Sinninghe Damste, Leonardo Vernazza, Chris White

Threshold expansion of cross sections

Consider hadronic observable of colour-singlet production $\sigma_{pp \rightarrow H+X}$

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NLP contributions - not generally understood, but lots of recent progress!

Diagrammatic - [0807.4412], [1905.08741], [1905.11771], [1905.13710], [2101.07270], [2109.09752] ...
 SCET - [1809.10631], [1910.12685], [1910.14038], [1912.01585], [2008.04943], [2107.07353] ...

NLP LL resummation for colour-singlet processes

Consider $p_1 + p_2 \rightarrow Q + k_1 + \dots + k_n$
 Partonic invariant-mass distribution at NLP:

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Factorises into hard phase space and n 1-body soft-gluon phase spaces

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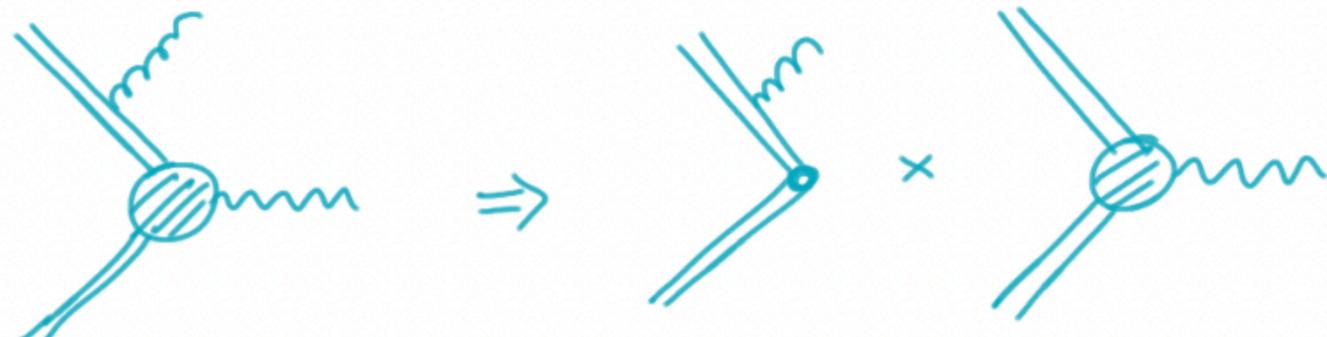
NLP NLL only!

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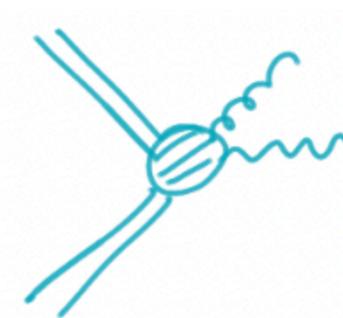
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Contains only next-to-soft corrections at LL [1410.6406, 1807.09246]



External next-to-soft-gluon emissions exponentiate

[0811.2067, 1010.1860]



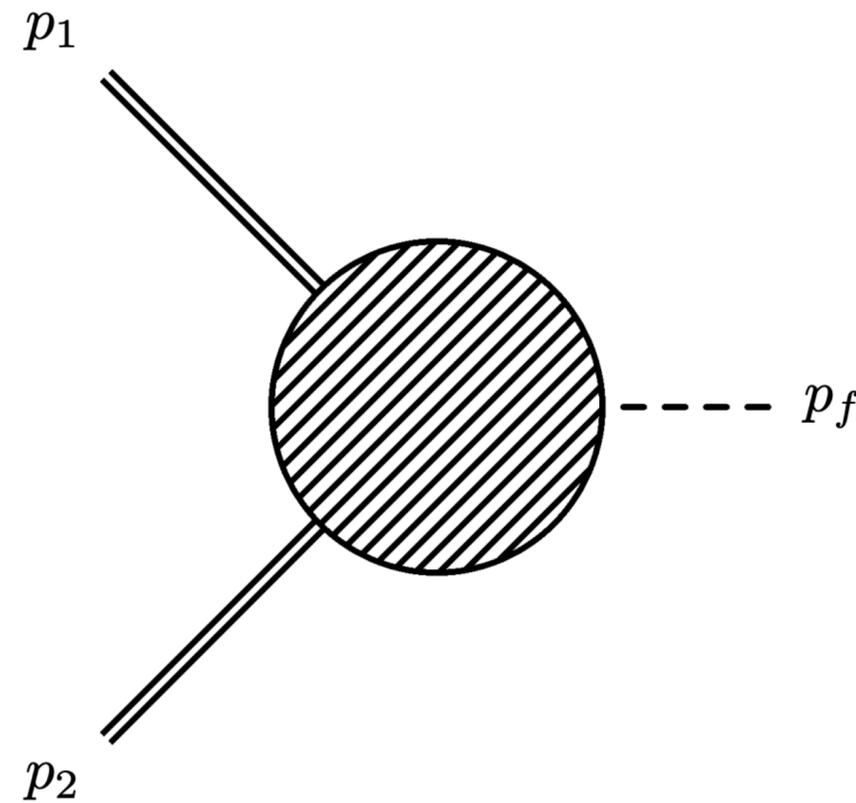
Non-factorisable (internal) emissions are linked to external ones by kinematic shift of soft function

[1706.04018, 1905.08741]

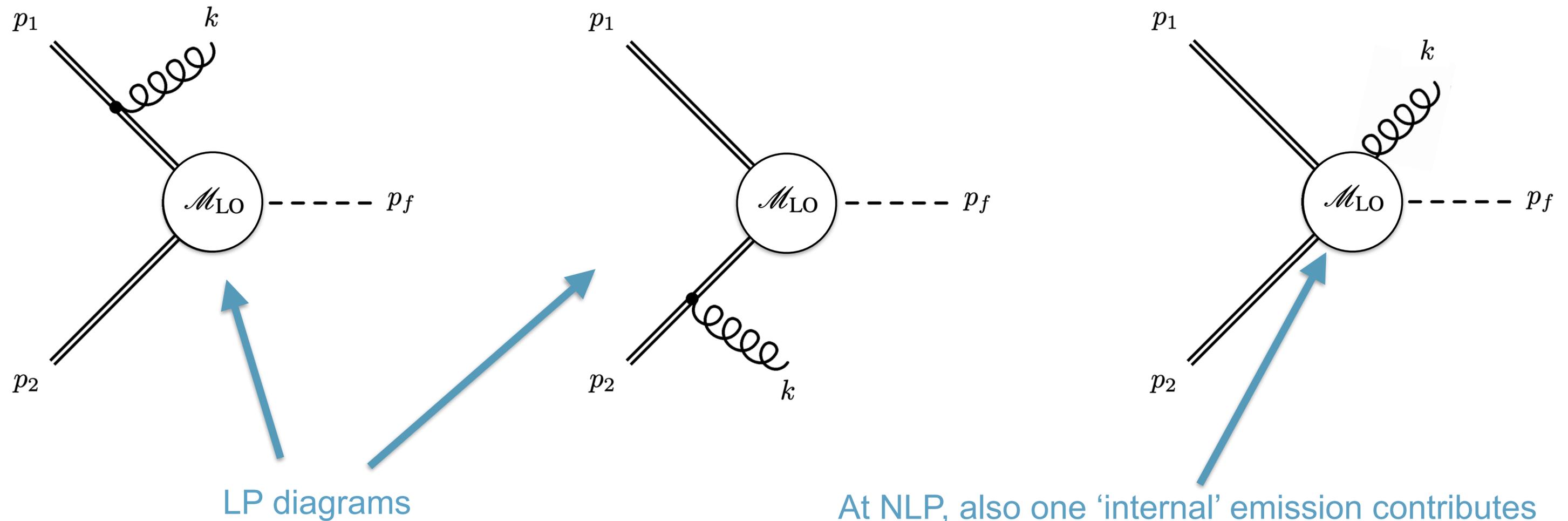
$$d\sigma^{\text{res,NLP}} = \sigma_{\text{hard}} \exp \left[\int_0^1 dz^{N-1} z S_{\text{LP}}(z) \right]$$

Universality of NLP logs

Consider the production of a colourless final state

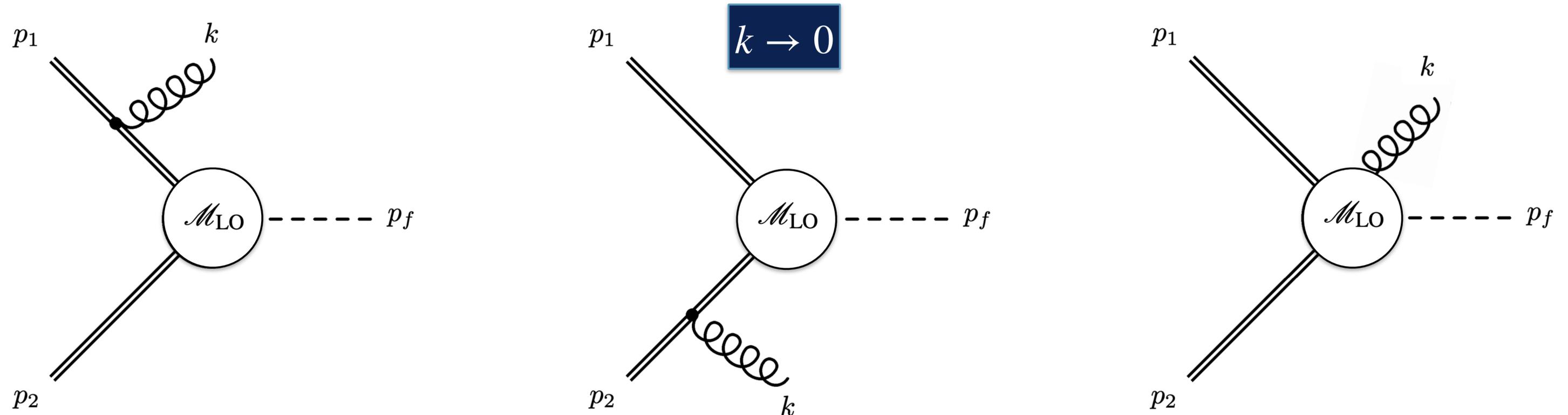


NLO gluon-emission amplitude at NLP



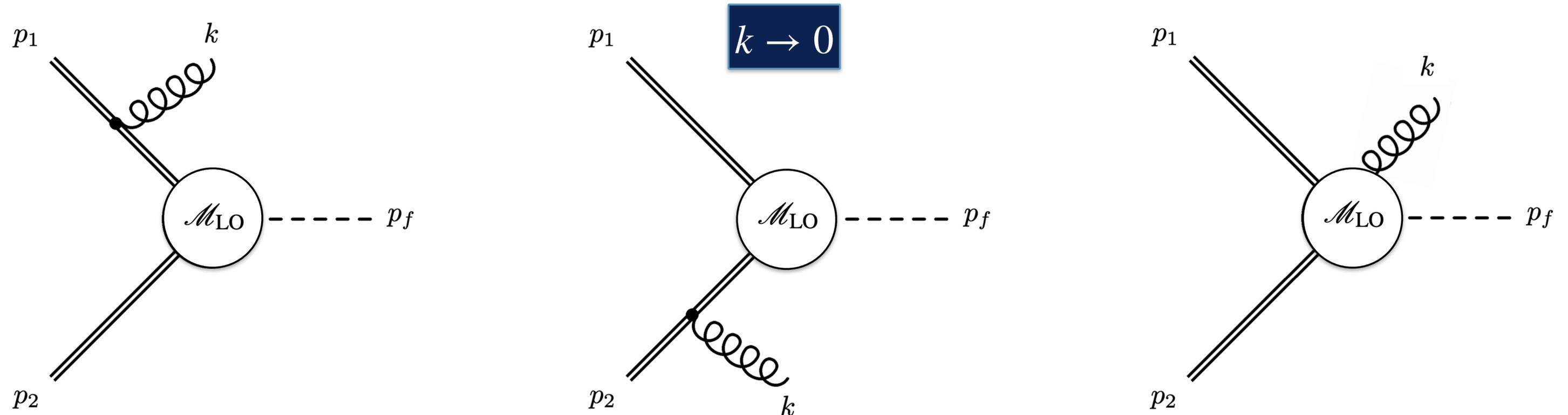
Low (1958); Burnett and Kroll (1968)

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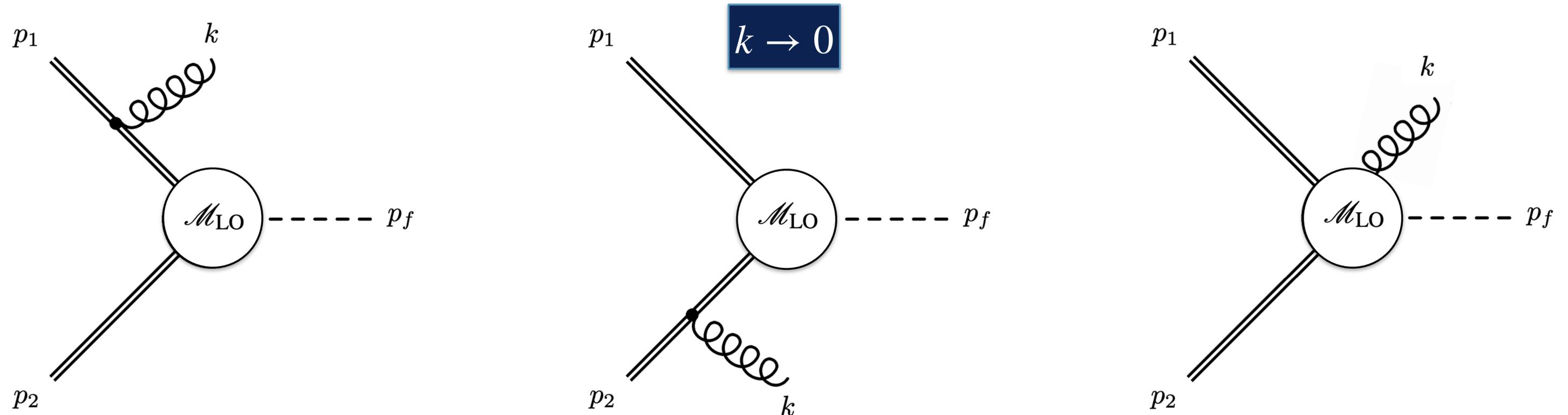
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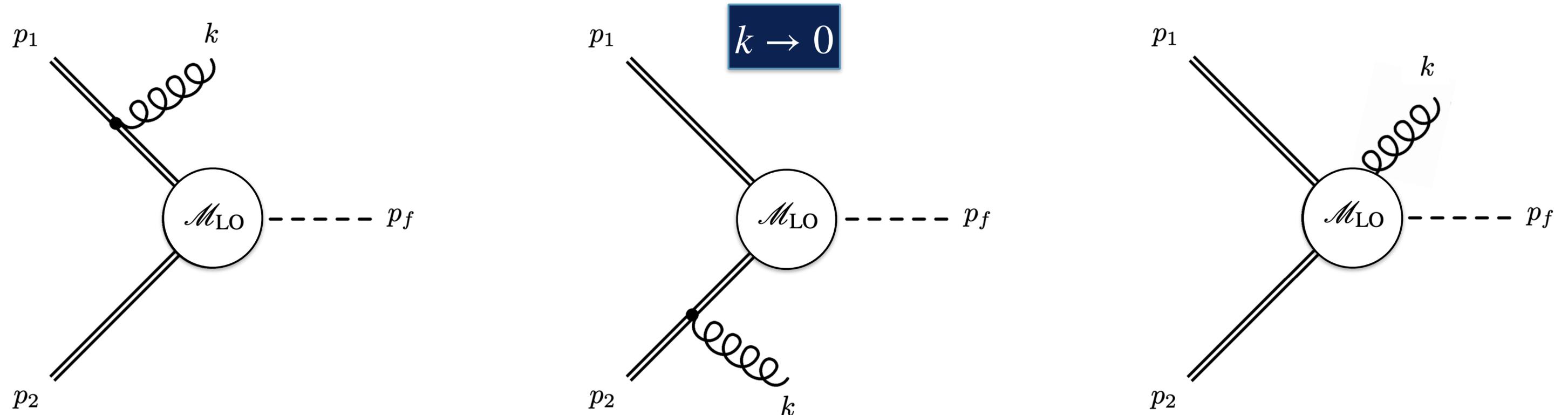
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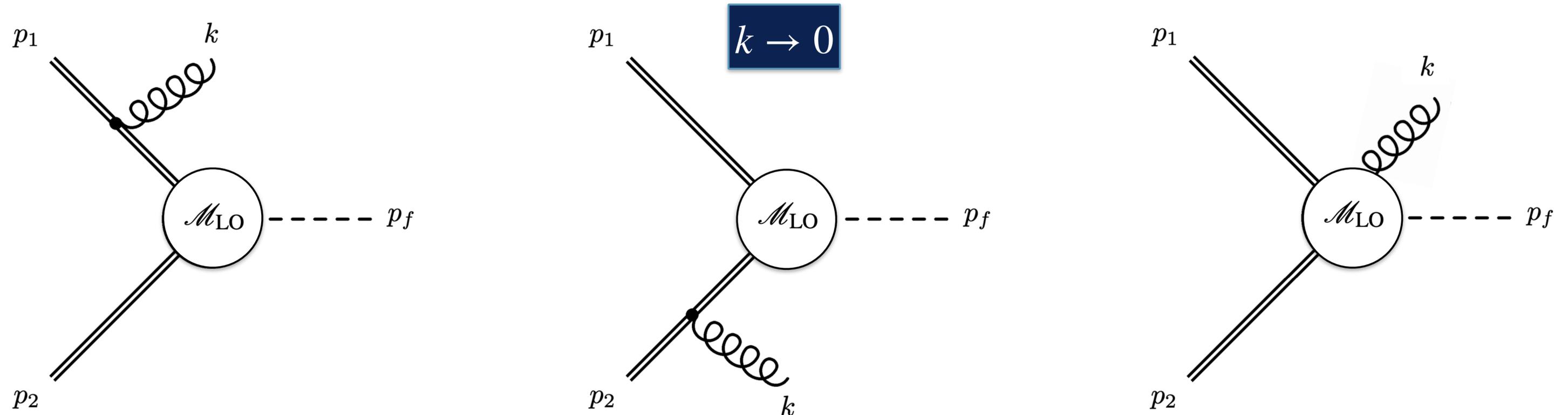
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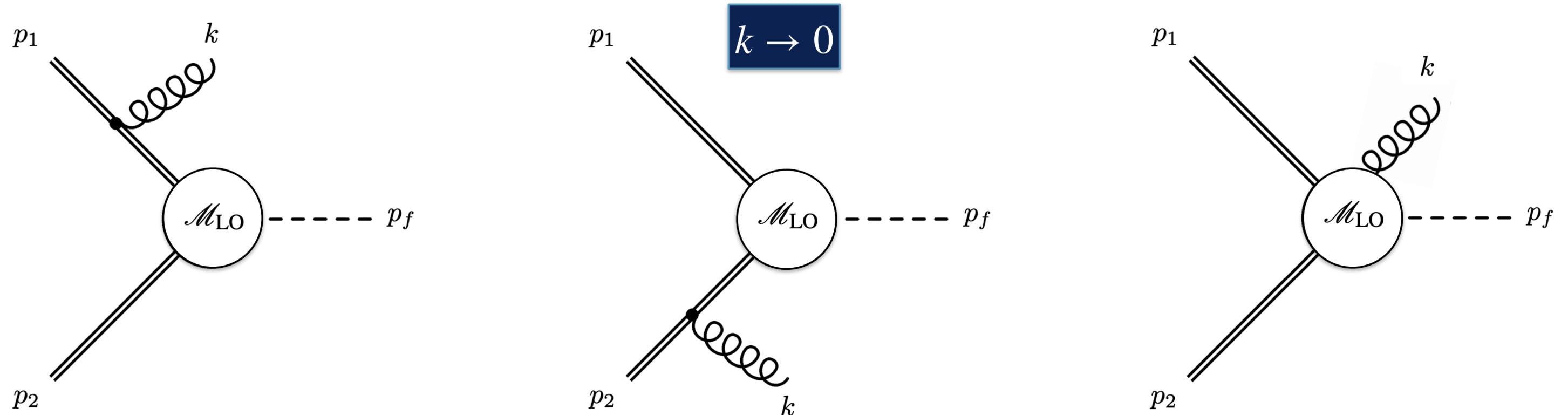
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Eikonal

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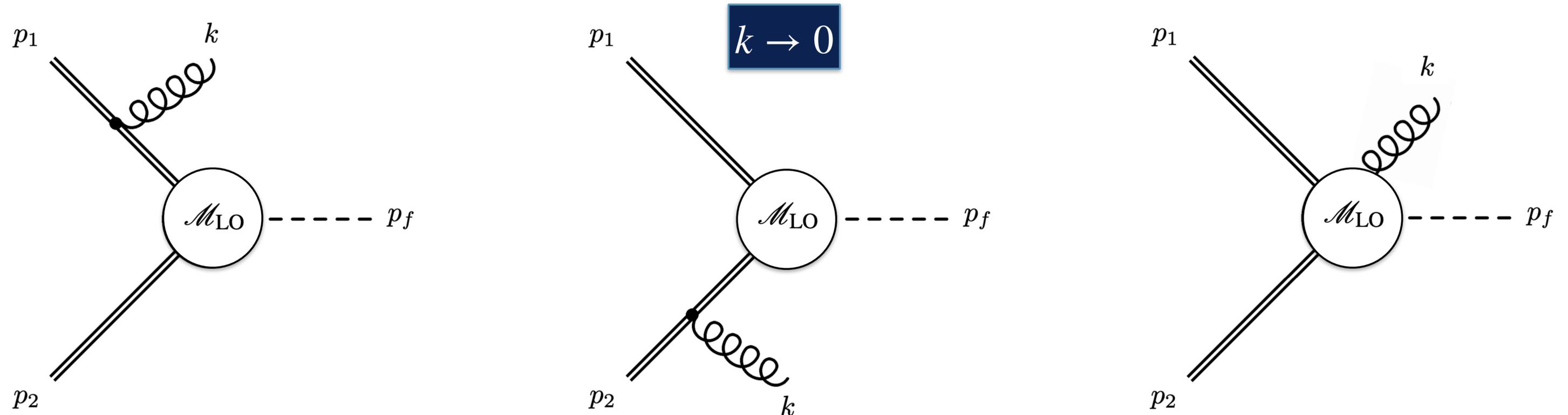


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Spin

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma^{\sigma\alpha} &= \frac{i}{4} [\gamma^\sigma, \gamma^\alpha] \equiv S^{\sigma\alpha} \\ &= i(g^{\rho\sigma} g^{\alpha\nu} - g^{\sigma\nu} g^{\alpha\rho}) \equiv M^{\sigma\alpha, \rho\nu} \end{aligned}$$

NLO gluon-emission amplitude at NLP



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Orbital

$$L^{\sigma\alpha} = -i \left(p_i^\sigma \frac{\partial}{\partial p_{i\alpha}} - p_i^\alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial p_{i\sigma}} \right)$$

Towards the NLP cross section

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\mathcal{A}_{\text{NLP}}|^2 &= \sum_{\text{colors}} |\mathcal{A}_{\text{scal}}|^2 + 2\text{Re} [(\mathcal{A}_{\text{spin}} + \mathcal{A}_{\text{orb}})^\dagger \mathcal{A}_{\text{scal}}] \\
 &= K \frac{2p_1 \cdot p_2}{p_1 \cdot k p_2 \cdot k} |\mathcal{M}_{\text{LO}}(p_1 + \delta p_1, p_2 + \delta p_2)|^2
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 \end{aligned}$$

Shift in Born matrix element

$$\delta p_{i;j}^\alpha \equiv -\frac{1}{2} \left(k^\alpha + \frac{p_j \cdot k}{p_i \cdot p_j} p_i^\alpha - \frac{p_i \cdot k}{p_i \cdot p_j} p_j^\alpha \right)$$

Towards the NLP cross section

Integration over phase space:

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NLP log with the same coefficient as the LP log!

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$$= z K_{\text{LP}}$$

The gluonic NLP colour-singlet cross section is directly obtainable from the LP one!

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Key is that the LL LP and NLP contributions come from a pole in ϵ
that needs to be absorbed in parton distribution functions
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Can be obtained from the LP with a derivative:

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See [2205.04479] for progress to achieve beyond-NLP-LL resummation in SCET

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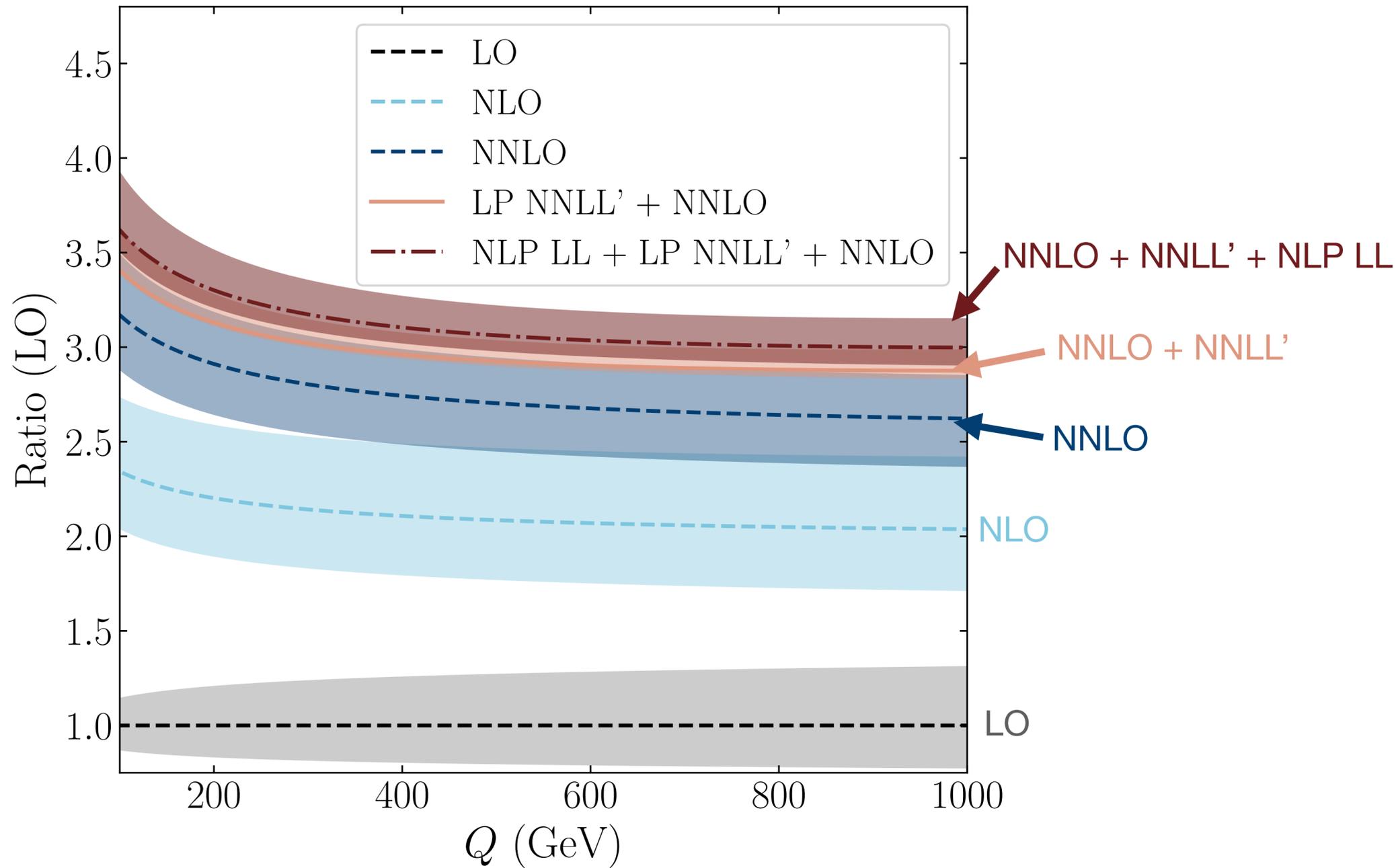
What about the numerical size?

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Take both processes at LP NNLL' + NLP LL and match to NNLO

Use PDF4LHC NNLO PDF set with $\mu_R = \mu_F$

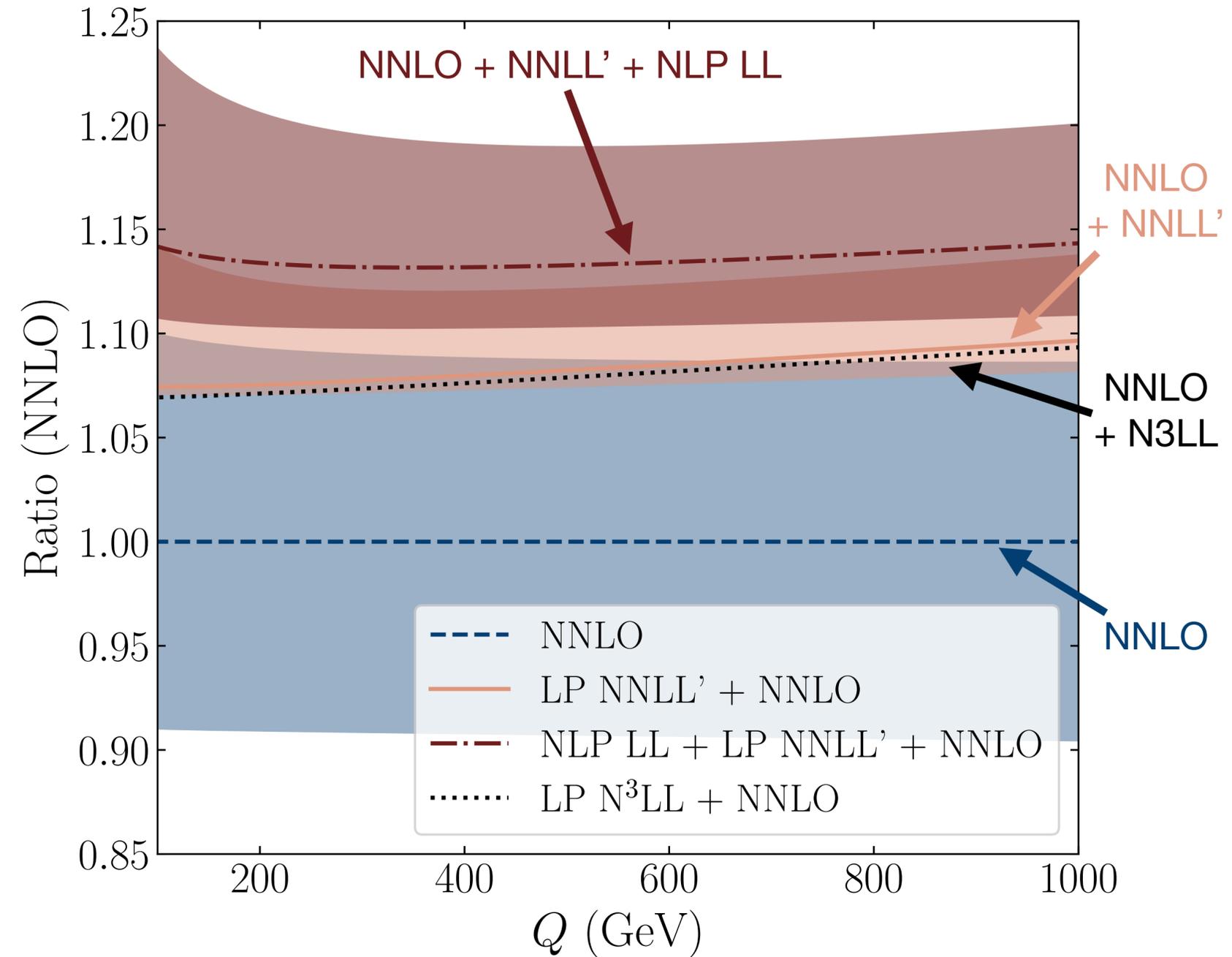
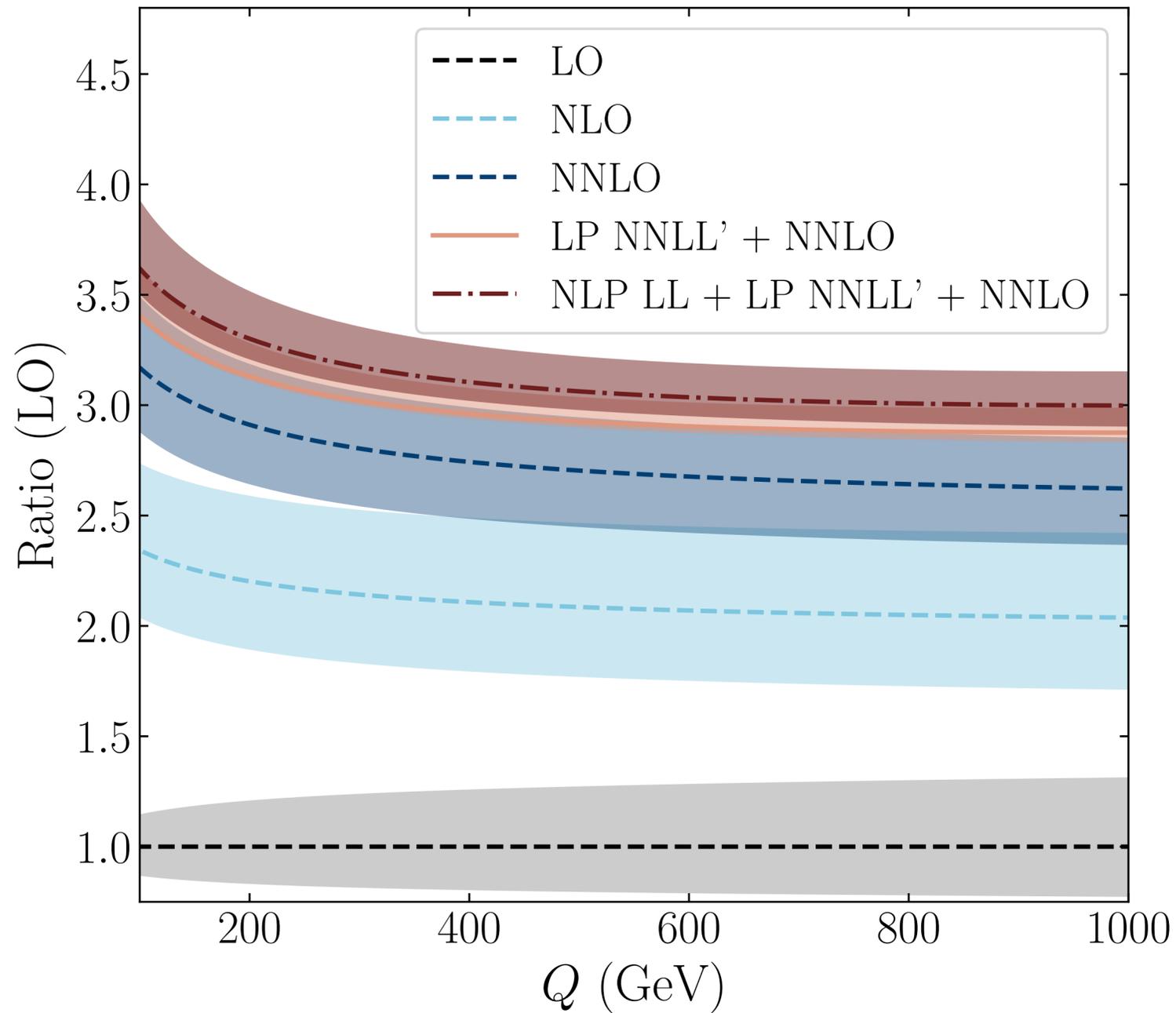
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It seems that the NLP contribution is indeed subleading...

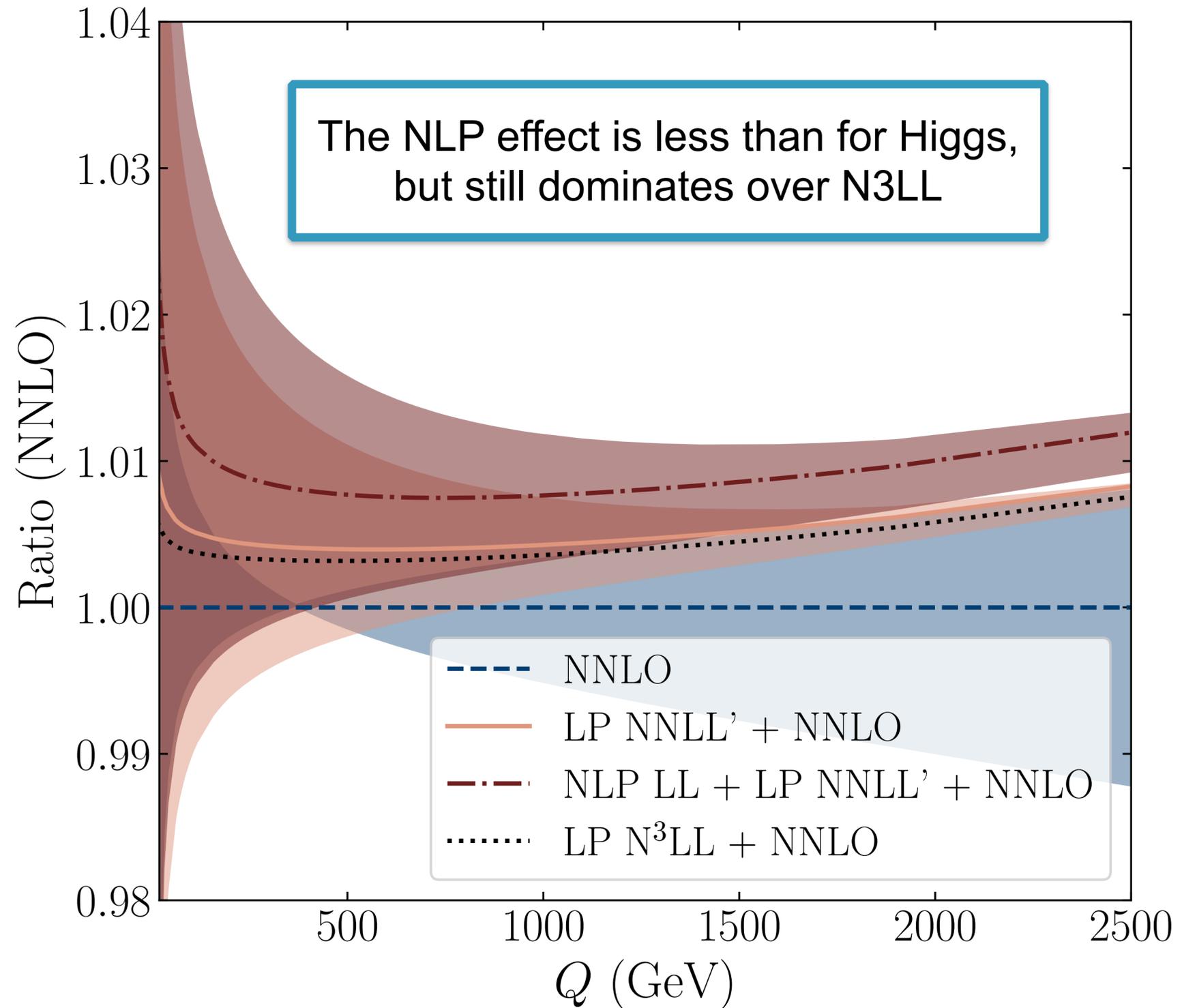
We vary $Q = m_h$

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NLP has an 5 – 7% enhancement of NLP on top of LP NNLL

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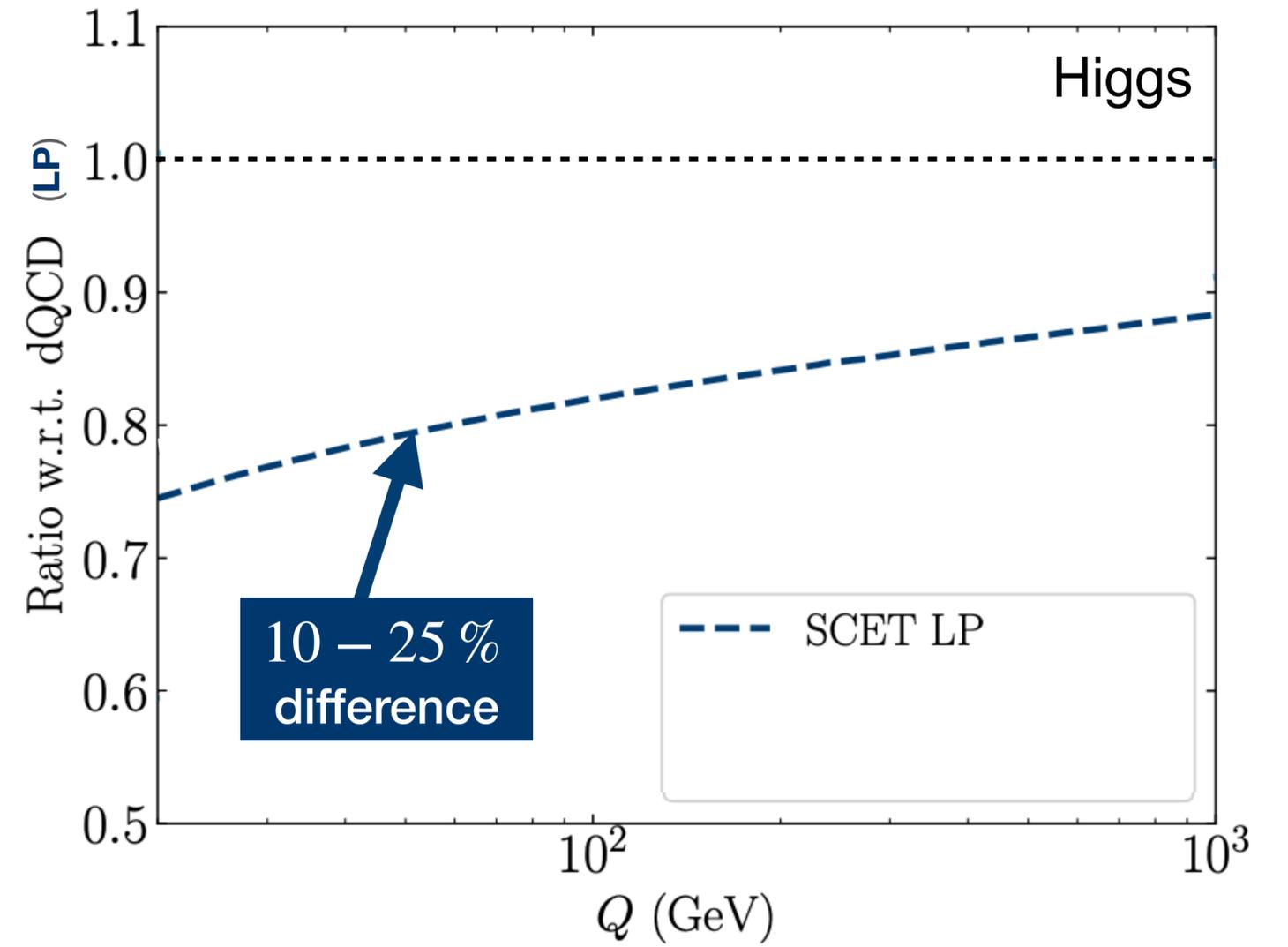
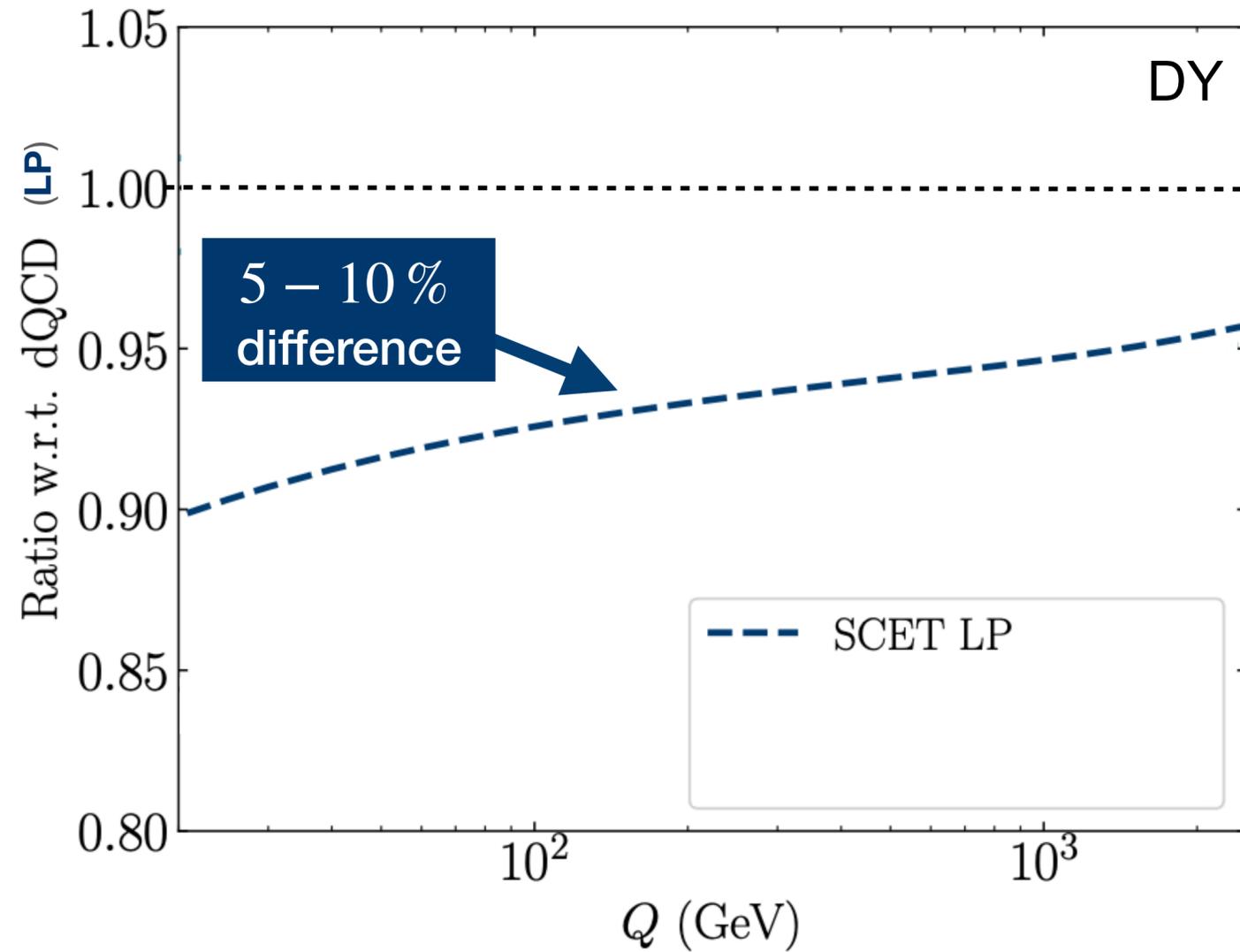


SCET vs dQCD at NLP

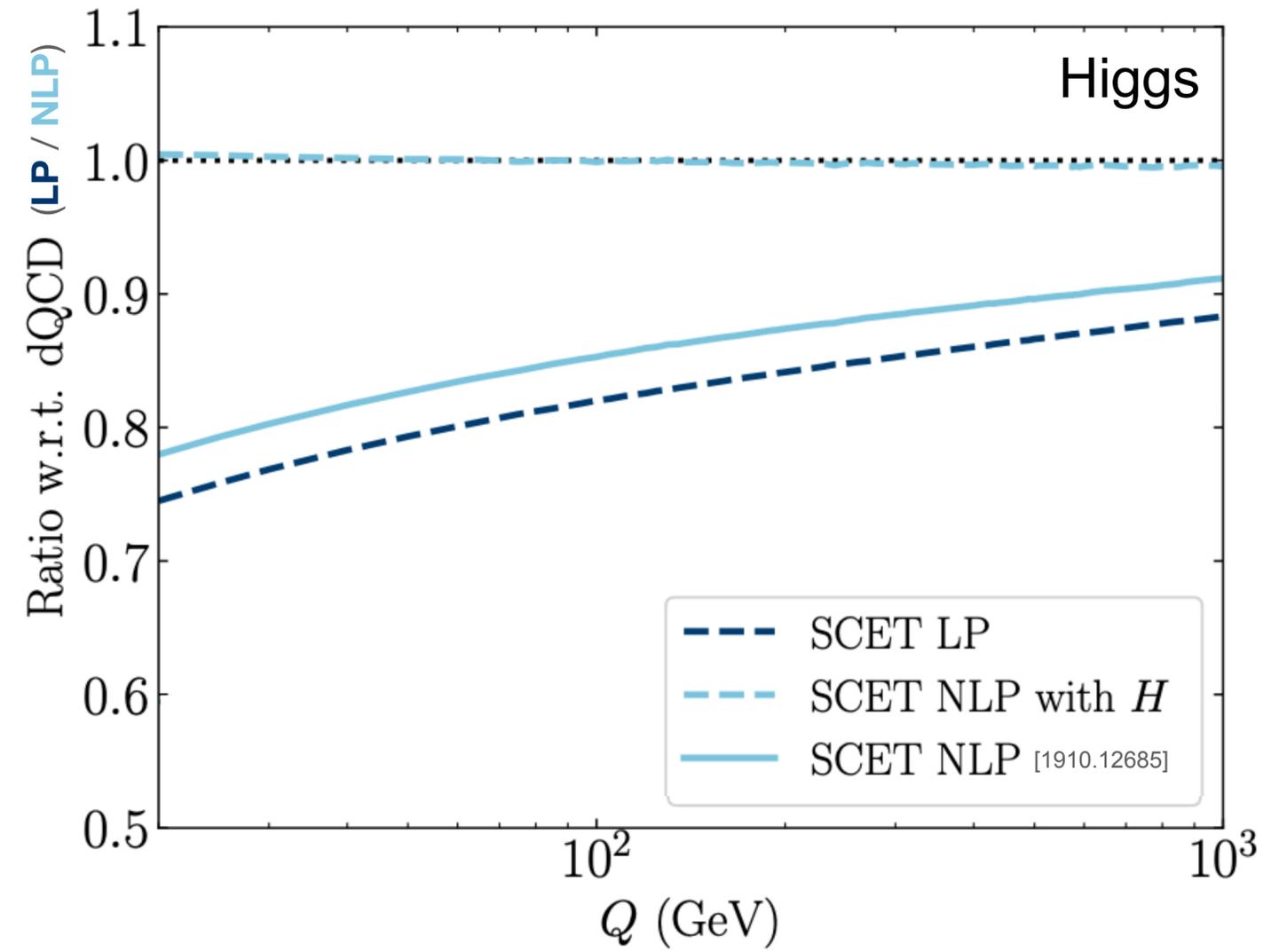
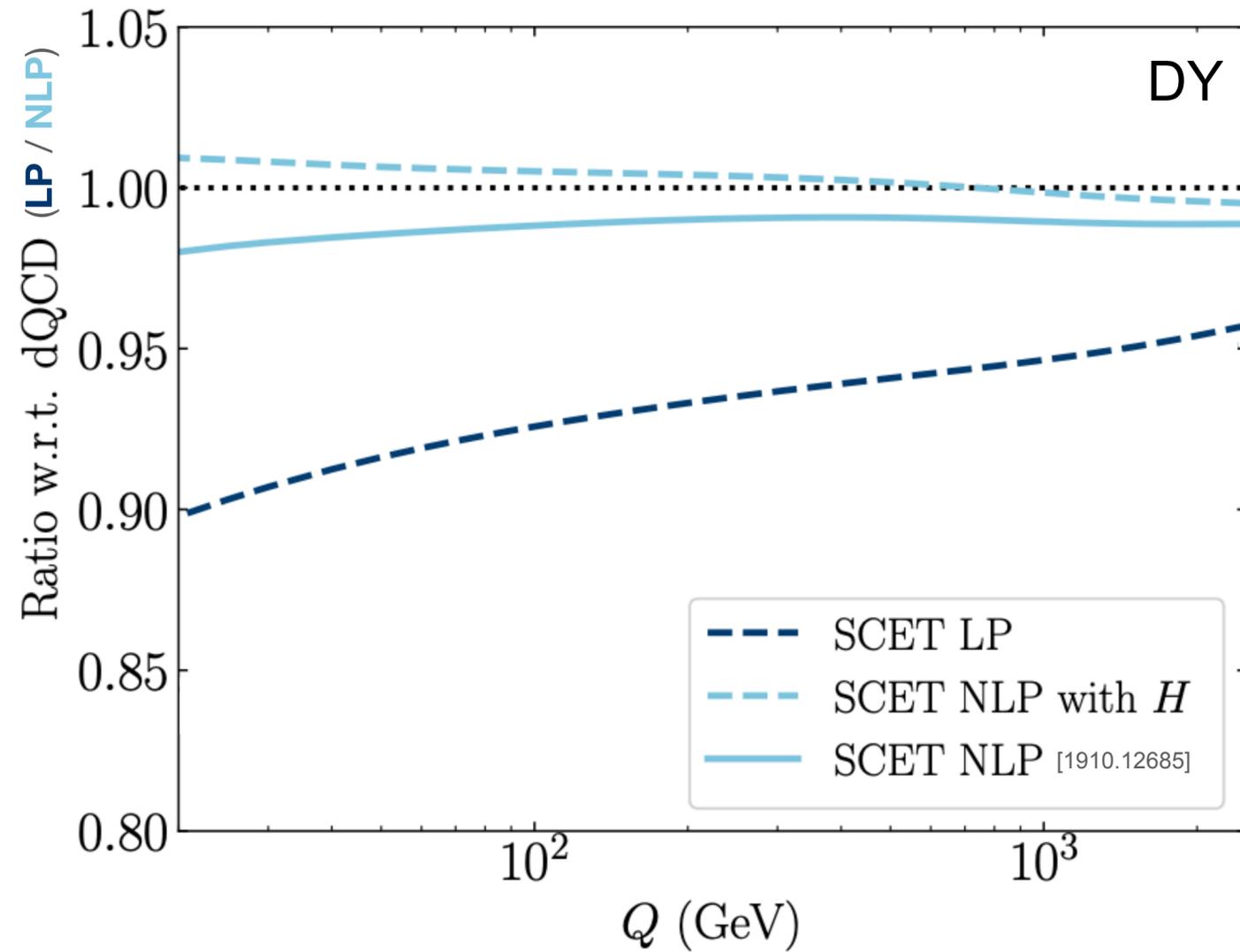
- DY and Higgs resummed in SCET at NLP LL as well [1809.10631,1910.12685]
- Numerical differences can become sizable between two approaches at LP
[0601048, 0809.4283, 1201.6364, 1301.4502, 1409.0864]
- Shown that these differences originate from power-suppressed contributions

Can we obtain analytical and numerical agreement at NLP LL?

SCET vs dQCD at NLP



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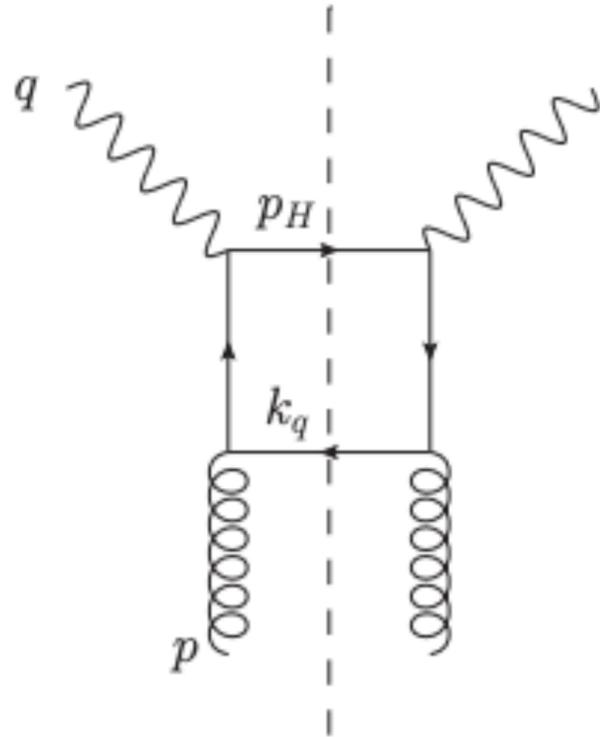
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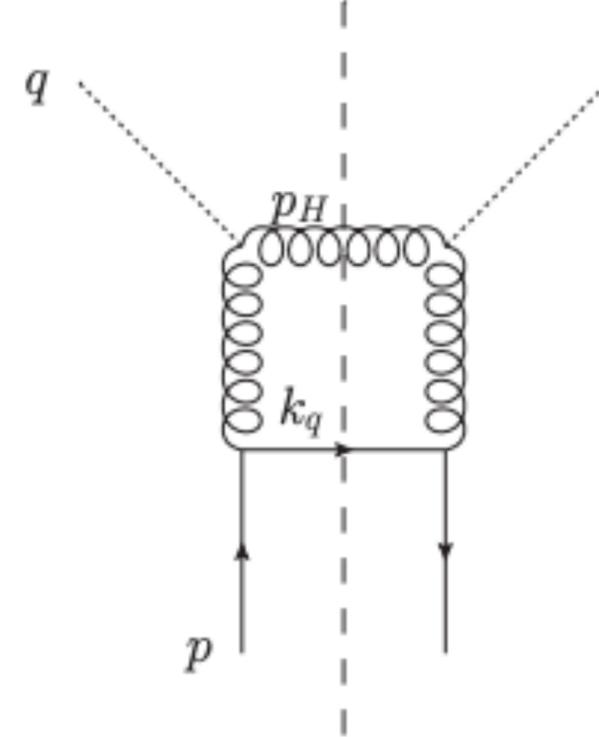
**Can we resum soft-quark emissions
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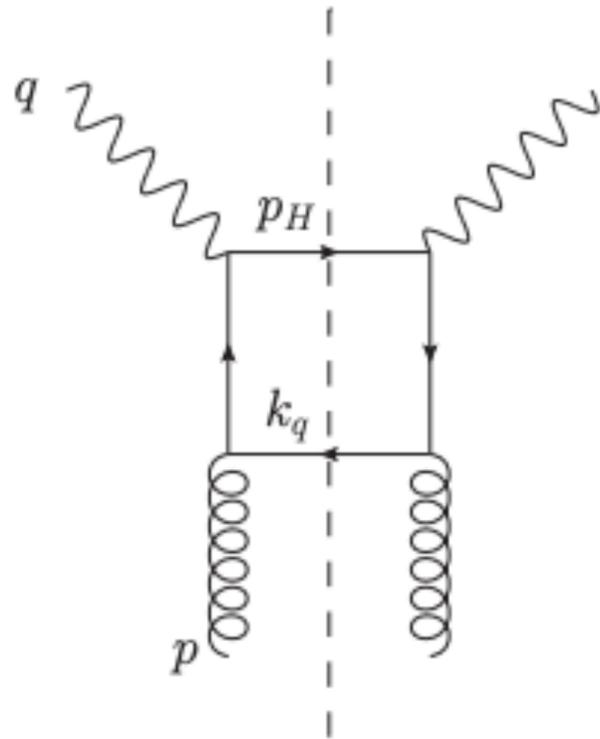


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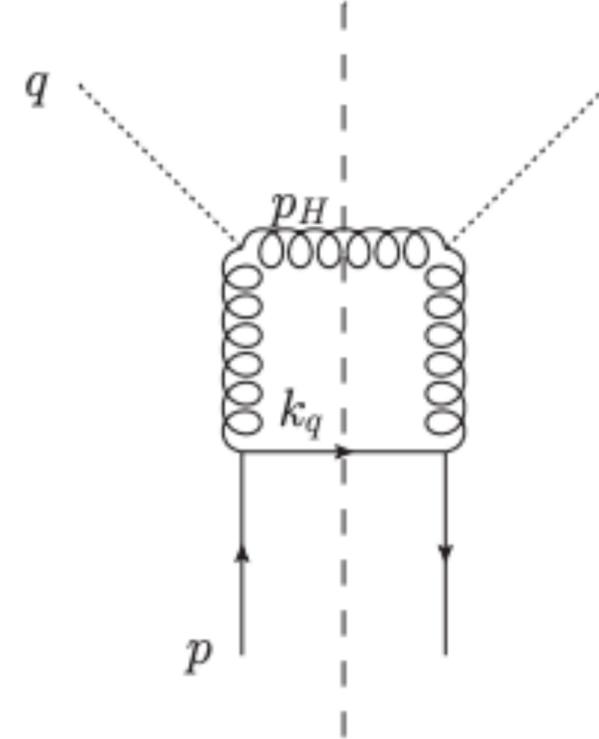
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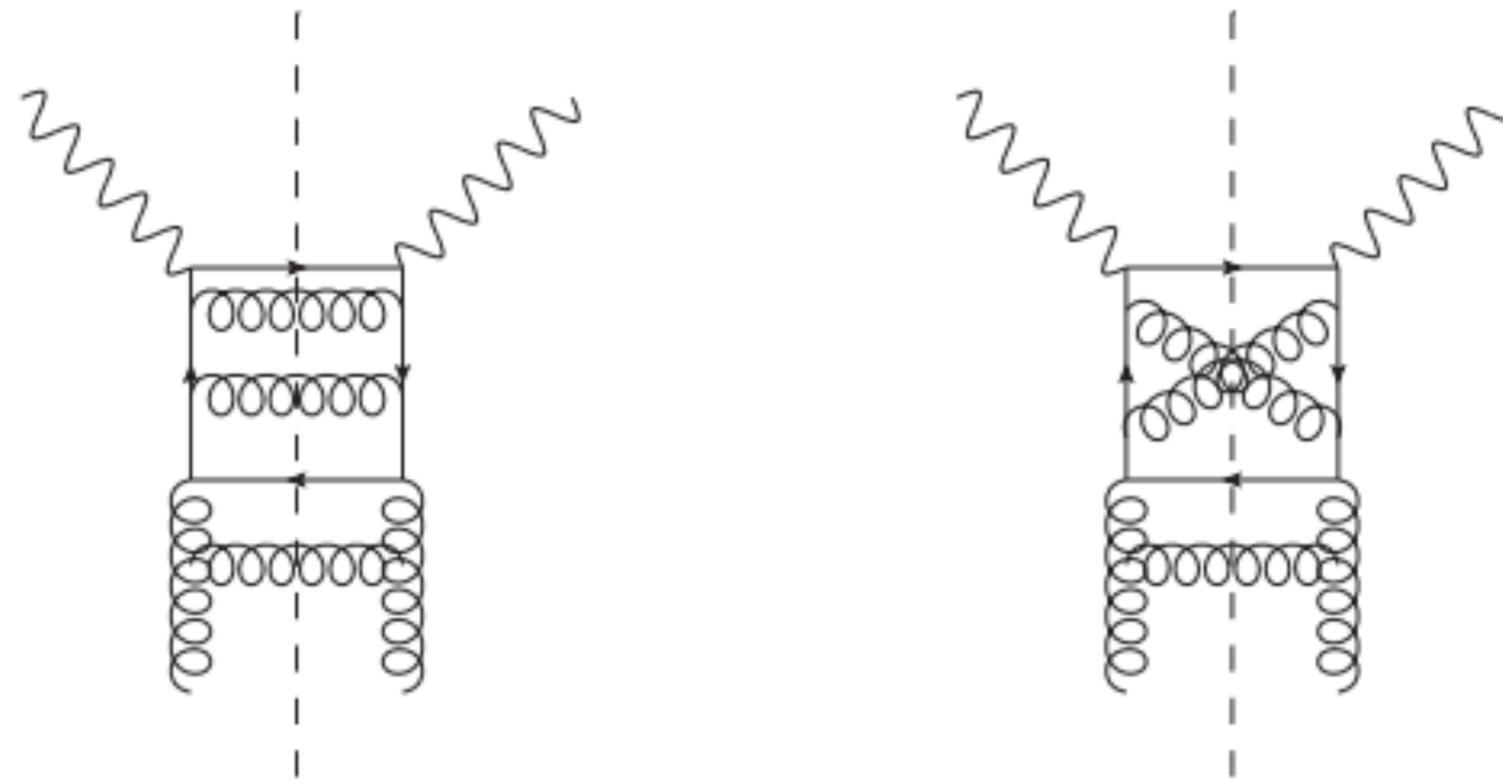
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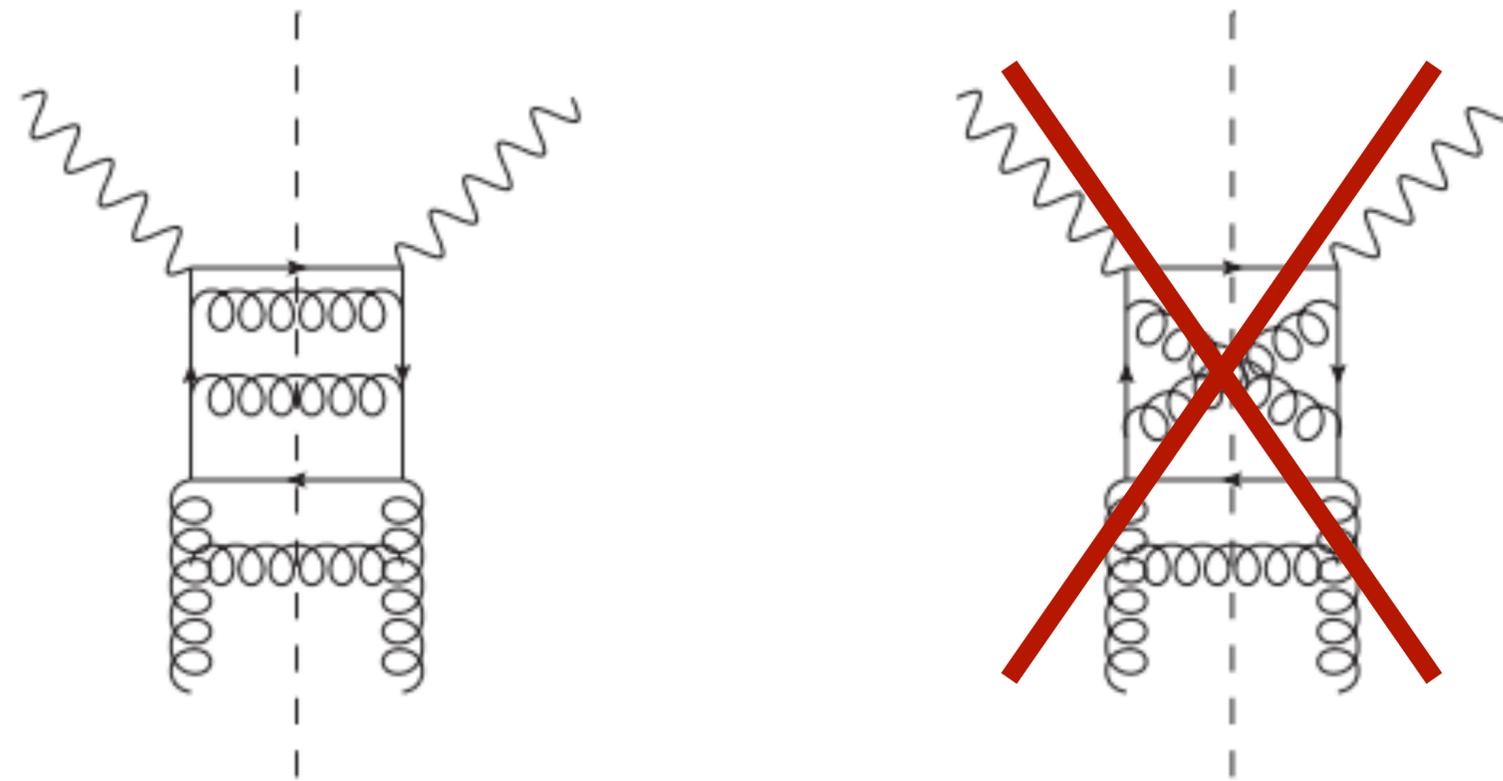


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As may be found in many textbooks, e.g. Dokshitzer, Diakonov, Troian (1980)

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Notice pattern of colour charges!

Also seen for the off-diagonal splitting function [1005.1606],
and gluon thrust [1910.14038], [2205.04479]

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Virtuals can be added implicitly through requiring soft pole cancellation

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Coefficient function extracted after mass factorisation: $W_{\gamma^*g} = \underset{\text{NLP}}{C_{\gamma^*g}} \times \underset{\text{LP}}{Z_{gg}} + \underset{\text{NLP}}{C_{\gamma^*q}} \times \underset{\text{LP}}{Z_{qg}}$

$$C_{\gamma^*g} \Big|_{\text{LL}} = \frac{1}{2 \ln N} \frac{n_F}{C_A - C_F} \left[\mathcal{B}_0(4a_s(C_A - C_F) \ln^2 N) \exp(2a_s C_F \ln^2 N) - \exp(2a_s C_A \ln^2 N) \right]$$

- Higgs-quark process may be obtained by setting $n_f \rightarrow C_F$ and $C_F \leftrightarrow C_A$ elsewhere
- Result proves conjectures of [1005.1606], [1407.1553]
- Result is consistent with SCET results of [2008.04943]

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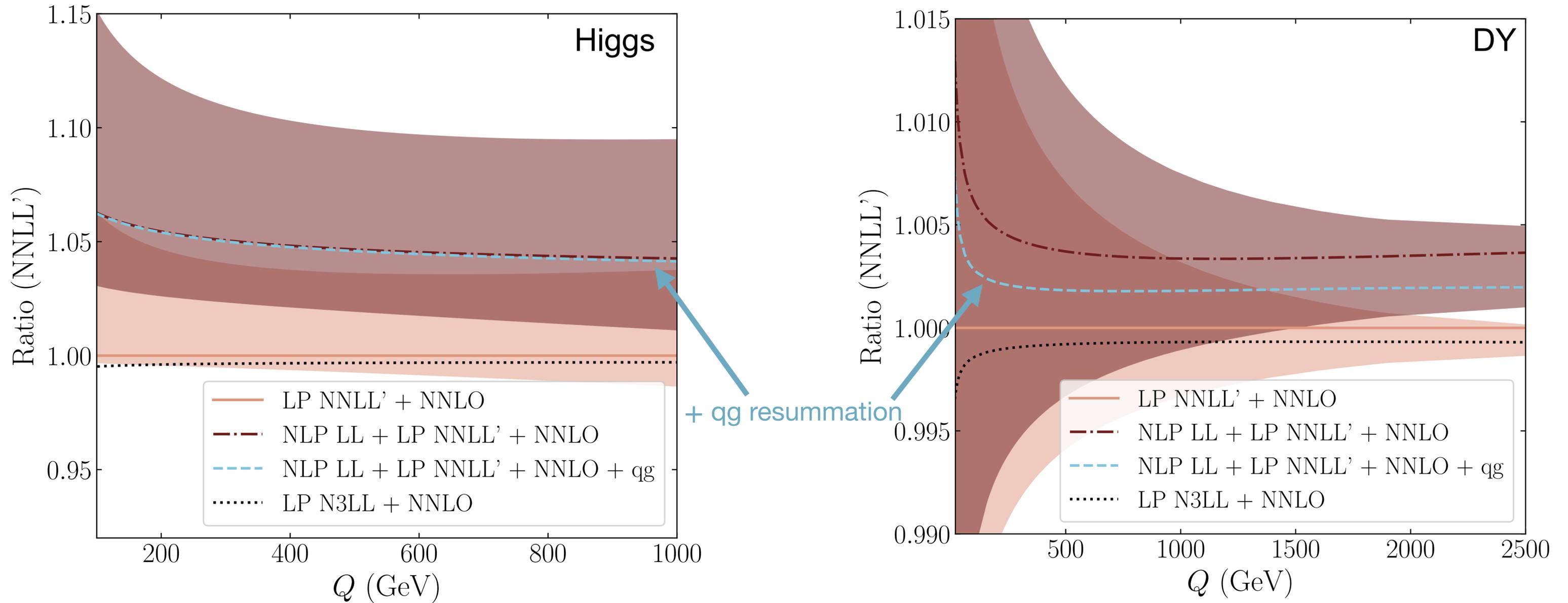
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Requiring soft-pole cancellation + a finite coefficient function after mass factorisation:

$$C_{\text{DY},g\bar{q}} \Big|_{\text{LL}} = \frac{T_R}{C_A - C_F} \frac{1}{2N \ln N} \left[\mathcal{B}_0(4a_s(C_A - C_F) \ln^2 N) \exp(8a_s C_F \ln^2 N) - \exp(2a_s(C_F + 3C_A) \ln^2 N) \right]$$

Adding to the NLP soft-gluon resummation



Conclusions part A

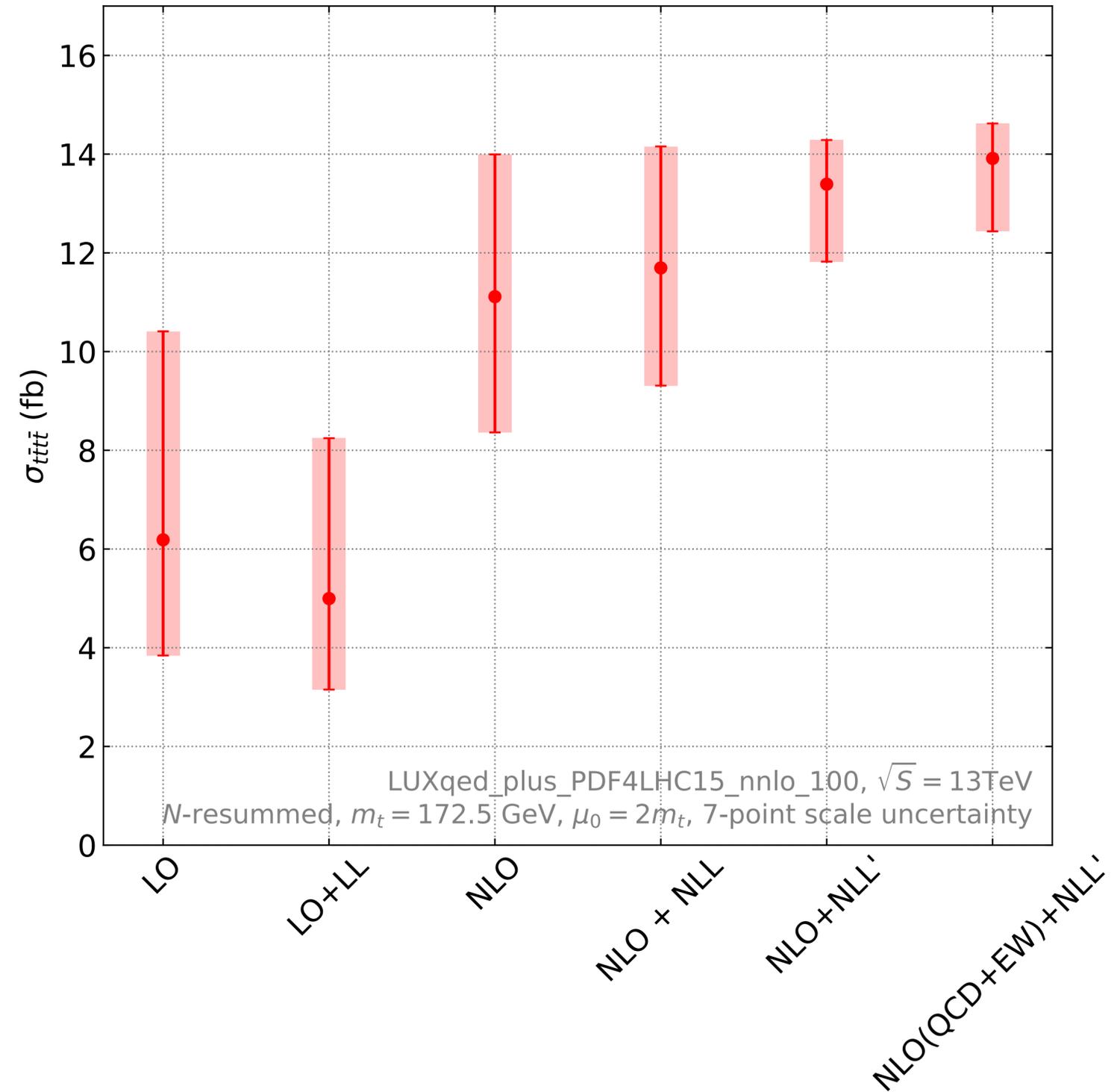
- Performed the first resummation of a process with 6 coloured particles at Born level
- Find a significant reduction of the total scale uncertainty
- Next: $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$, invariant-mass resummation, extension to NNLL

Conclusions part B

- NLP LL soft-gluon contributions for colour-singlet processes are linked to the LP LL ones, this allows their resummation
- Quark channels may be resummed like LP ones, but with more complicated combinatorics
- Numerical contribution of LL NLP terms varies for different processes, but in general it is not 'negligible'

Back-up

N resummed result



Colour basis $q\bar{q}$

$$c_1^{q\bar{q}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_c^3}} \delta_{c_1 c_3} \delta_{c_2 c_4} \delta_{c_6 c_8}$$

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$$c_{13}^{gg} = \frac{1}{T_R} \frac{2}{N_c \sqrt{N_c^2 + 2N_c - 3}} t_{c_2 c_4}^{b_1} \mathbf{P}_{a_1 b_1 a_2 b_2}^{27} t_{c_6 c_8}^{b_2},$$

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Colour basis gg

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As in the dQCD case, NLP contributions can be obtained directly from the LP ones with a derivative. In N-space, these forms are identical!

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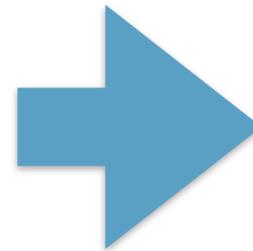
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Explicit forms - dQCD

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$$h_a^{(1)}(\lambda, N) = -\frac{A_a^{(1)}}{2\pi b_0} \frac{\ln(1 - 2\lambda)}{N}$$



$$\frac{1}{\alpha_s} g_a^{(1)}(\lambda, N) + h_a^{(1)}(\lambda, N) = \frac{1}{\alpha_s} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial N} \right) g_a^{(1)}(\lambda)$$

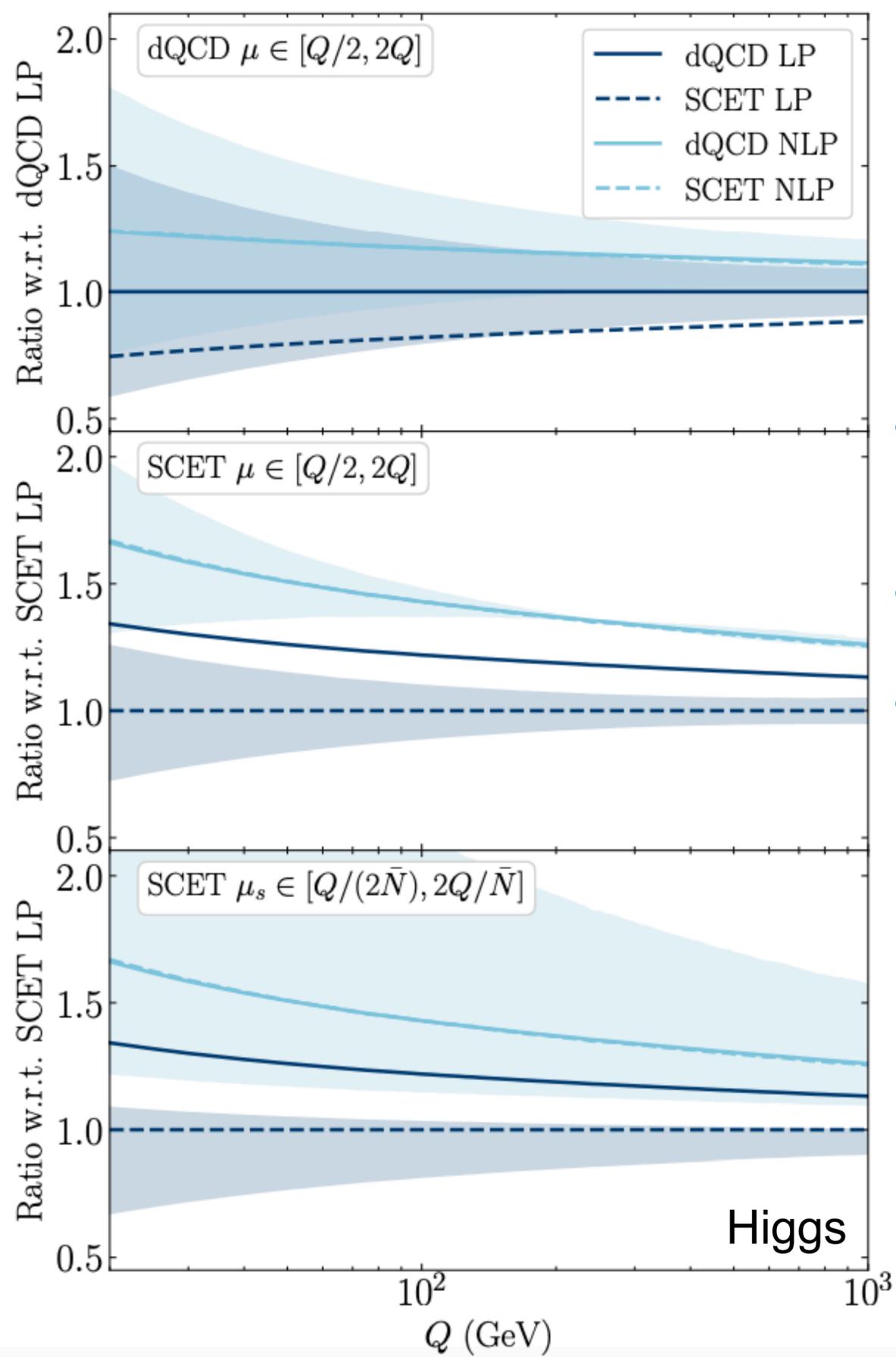
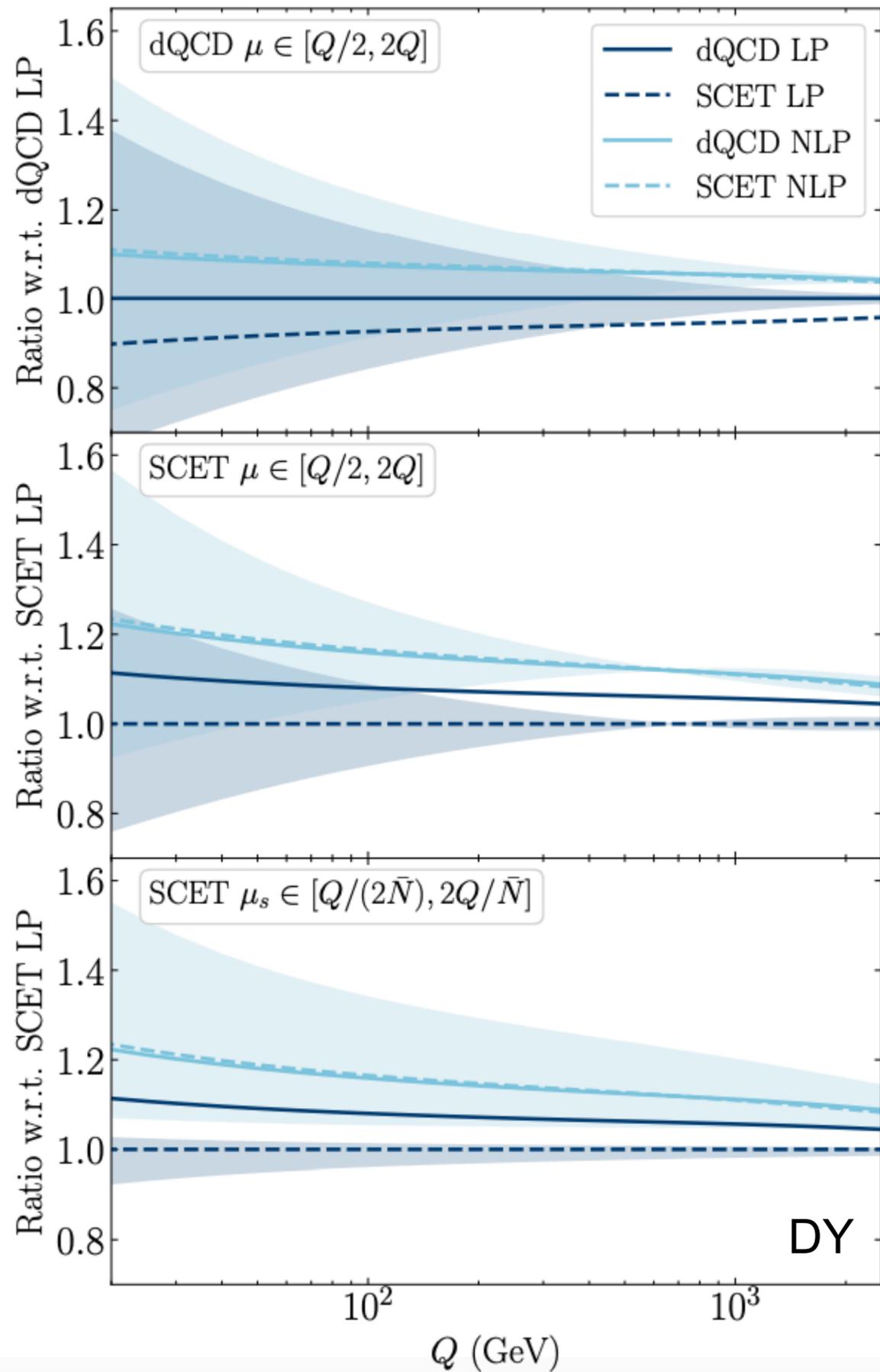
Explicit forms - SCET

$$U_{aa}(Q, \mu_h, \mu, \mu_s) = \exp \left[S_a(\mu_h^2, \mu_s^2) - a_{\gamma_{VIS}}(\mu_h^2, \mu_s^2) + 2a_{\gamma_a}(\mu_s^2, \mu^2) - a_{\Gamma_{\text{cusp},a}}(\mu_h^2, \mu_s^2) \ln \frac{Q^2}{\mu_h^2} \right]$$

$$\Delta^{\text{SCET,NLP}}(z, Q, \mu, \mu_s) = -\frac{2A_a^{(1)}}{\pi b_0} \ln \frac{\alpha_s(\mu^2)}{\alpha_s(\mu_s^2)} \exp [S_{a,\text{LL}}(Q^2, \mu^2) - S_{a,\text{LL}}(\mu_s^2, \mu^2)]$$

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- dQCD uncertainty from varying μ is larger than that of SCET
- LP SCET does not contain central dQCD result
- Explicit soft scale variations in SCET induce a large uncertainty at NLP

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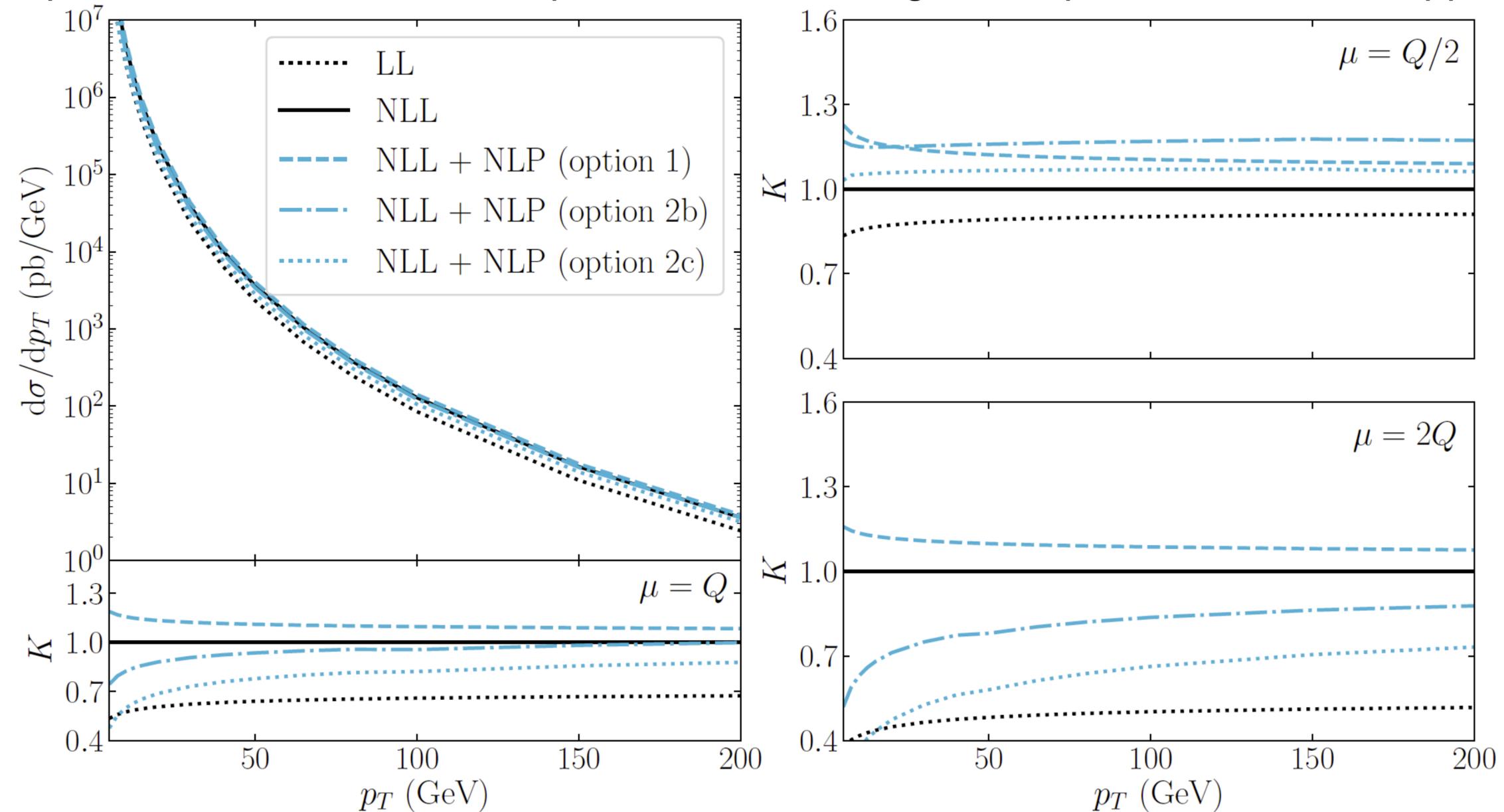
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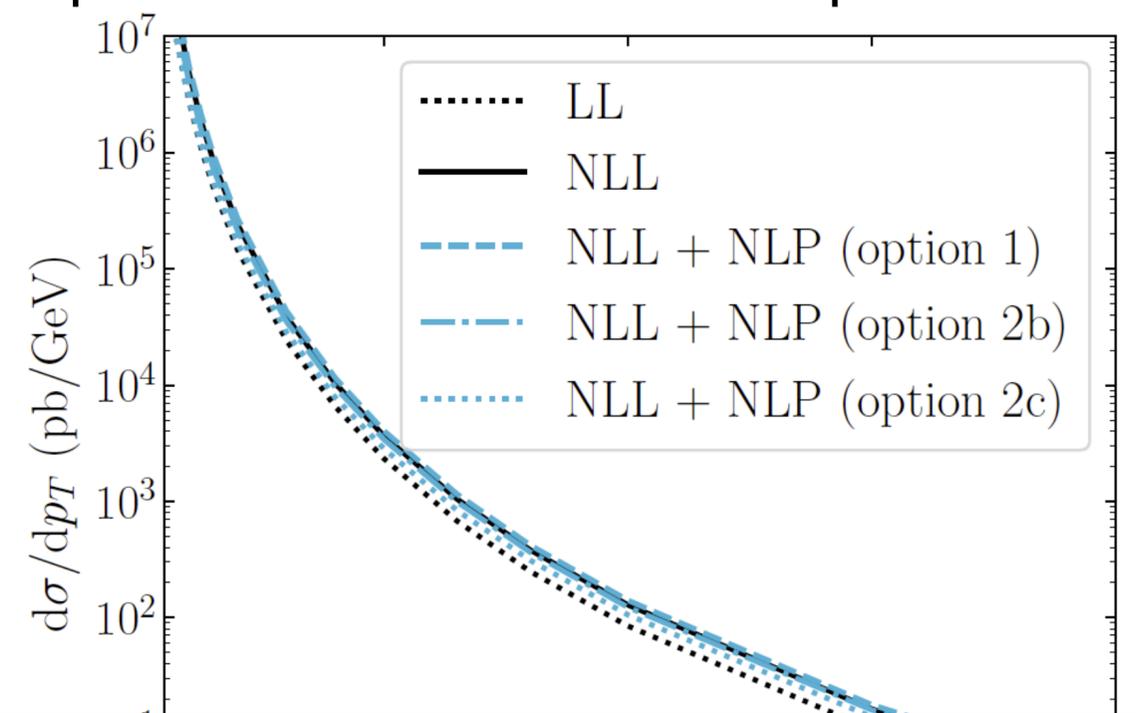


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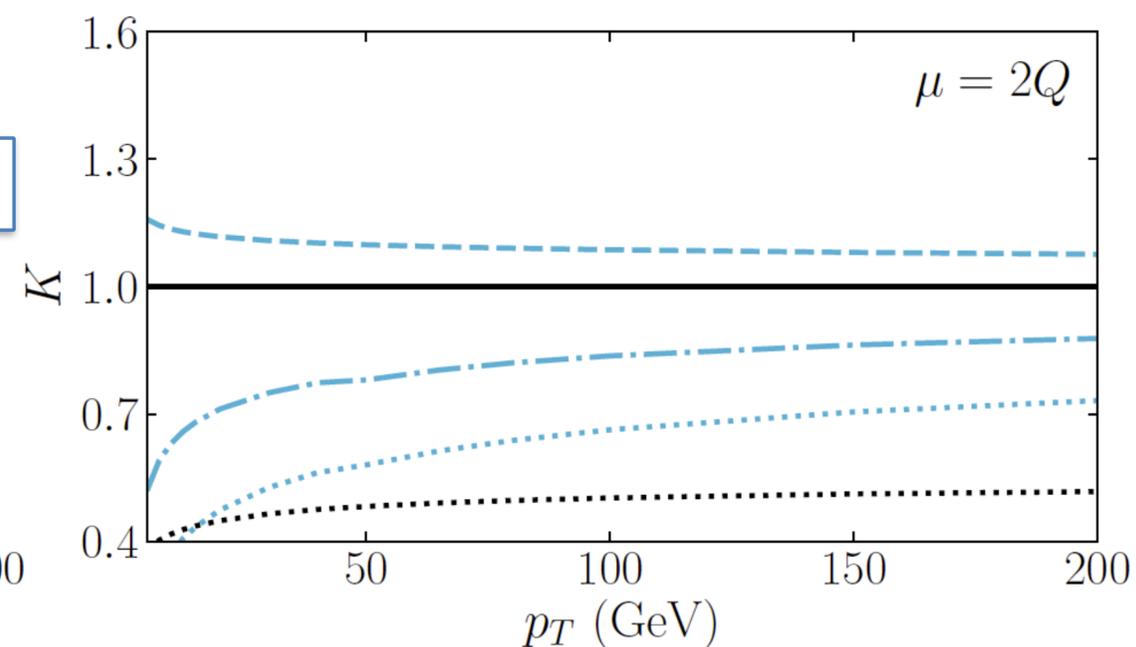
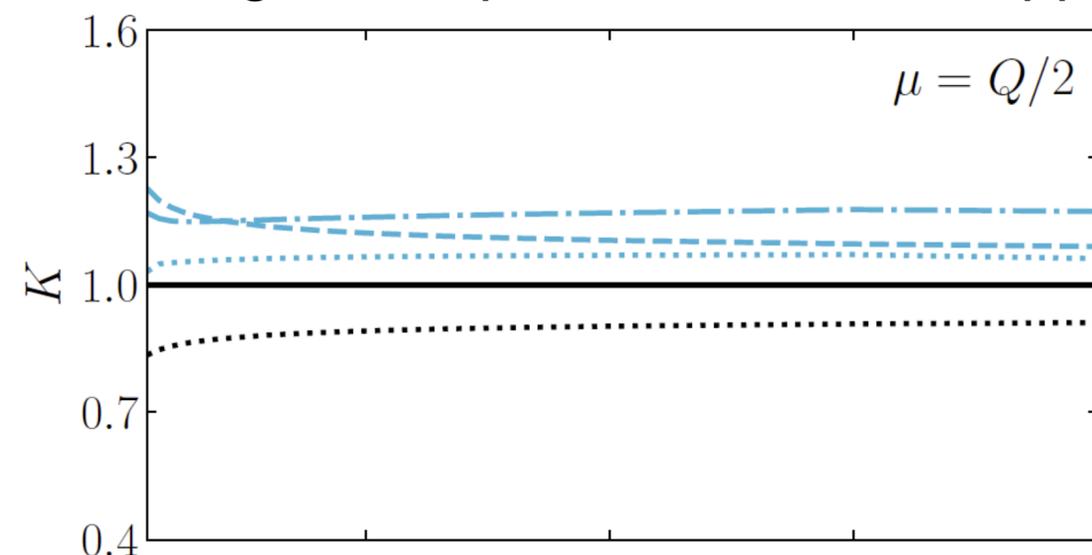
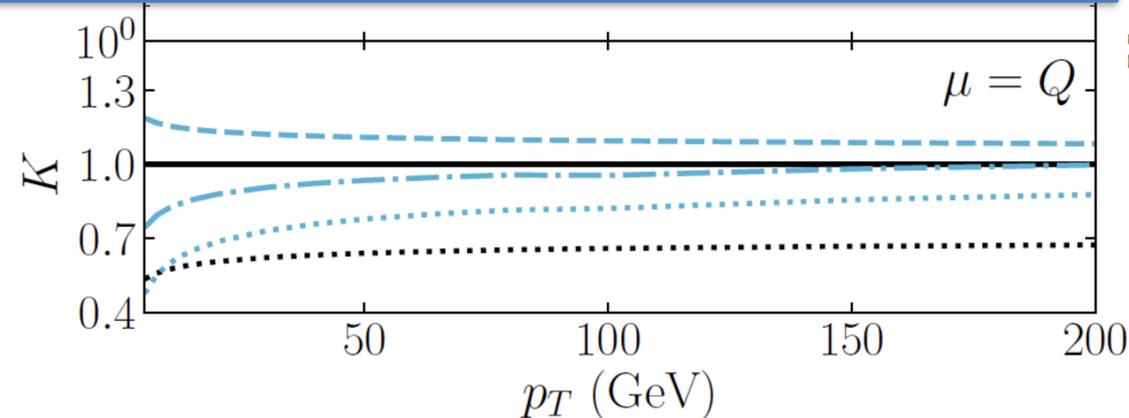
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NLP LL soft-gluon corrections are large: 10 – 20 %

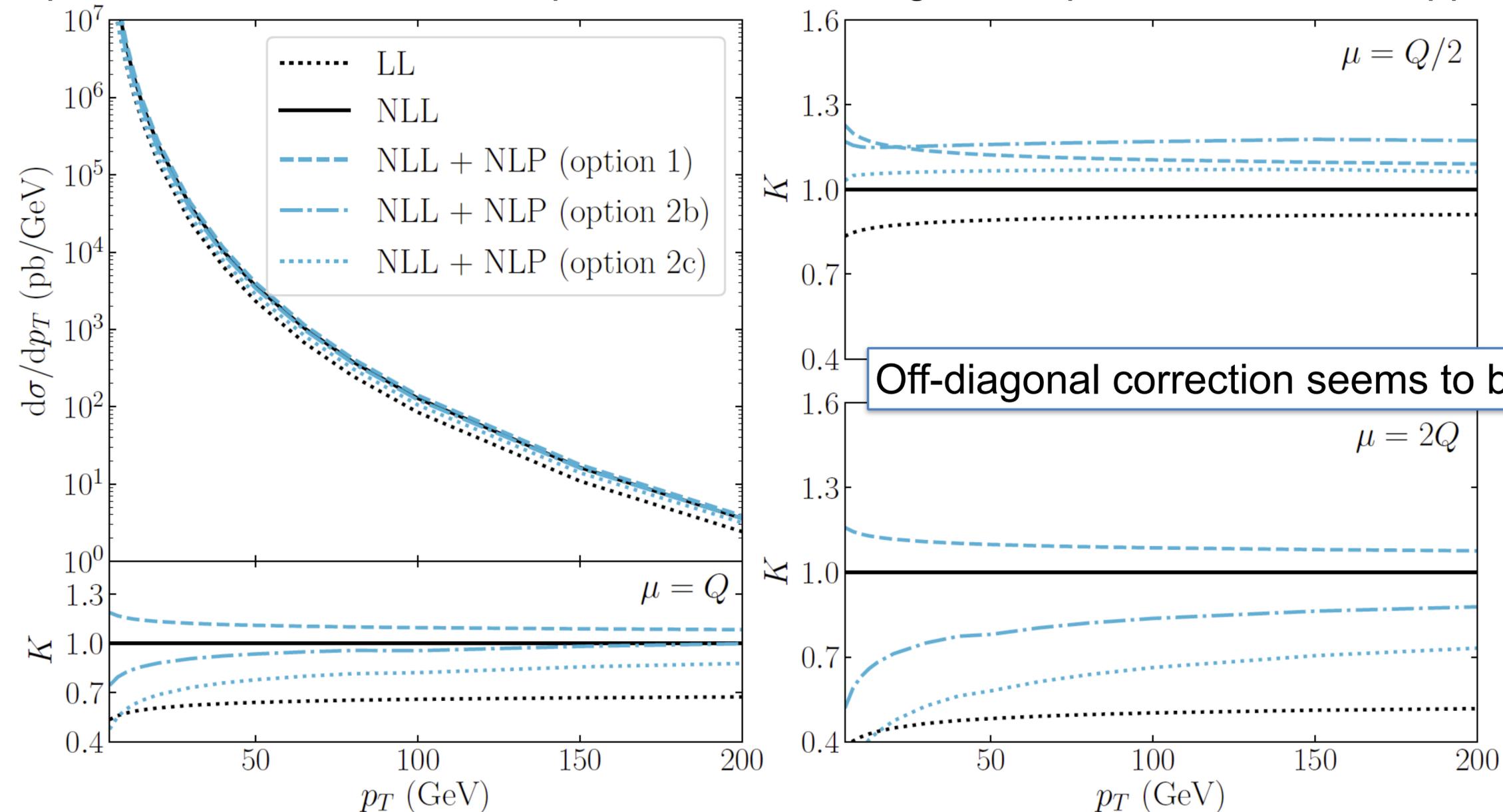


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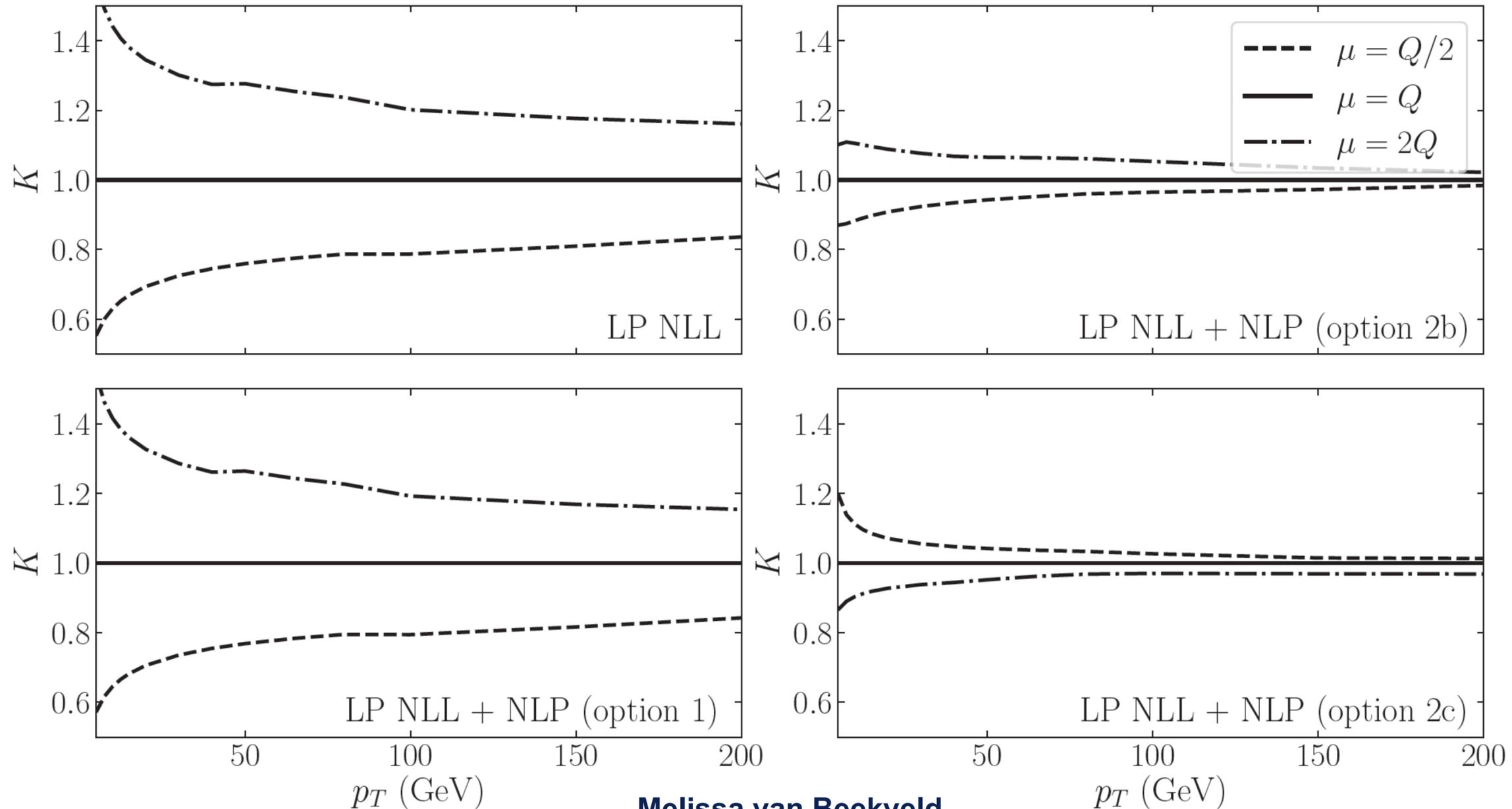


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