

Electroweak Sudakov Corrections in the SMEFT

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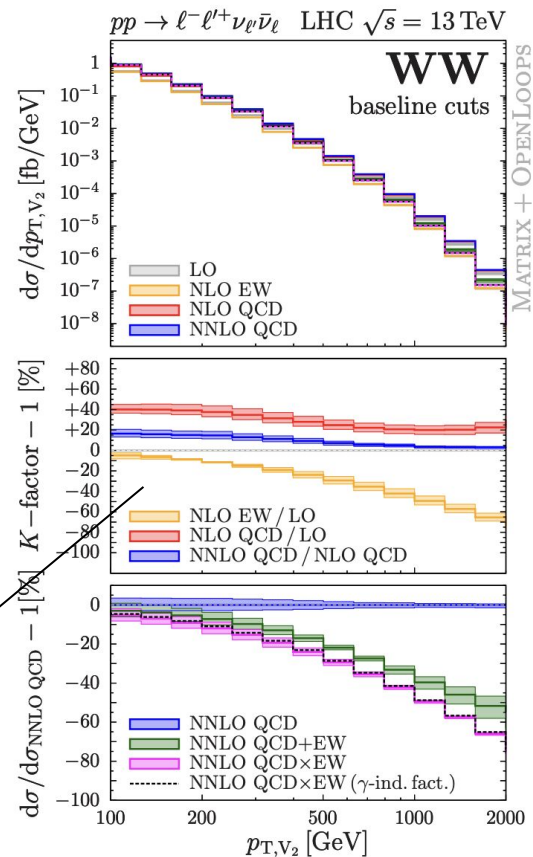
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Introduction

At high energies, EW corrections are not necessarily negligible compared to QCD ones

→ at high energies, Sudakov logarithms can make EW corrections significant; domination of negative and large Sudakov logs.

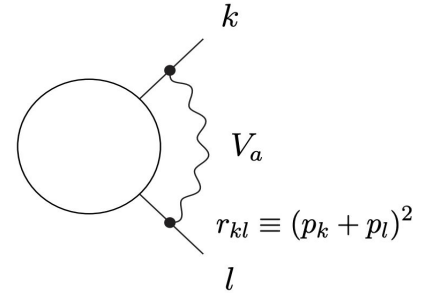


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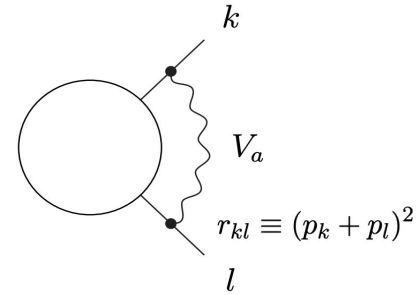


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soft and collinear regions

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soft/collinear region

EWSL: universality at high energies

At high energies, EWSL are universal; with dependence on:

→ quantum numbers of external particles

$$\mathcal{A}(s) = \mathcal{A}_{\text{hard}} \cdot \mathcal{F}_{\text{soft+collinear}}$$

→ and the energy scale relative to the EW scale

The factorisation enables precision calculations → the hard amplitude can be computed separately, with Sudakov logarithms included as a multiplicative correction

EWSL: amplitudes suppression

Sudakov corrections can be included as multiplicative factor to scattering amplitude,

$$\mathcal{A}(s) \sim \mathcal{A}_{\text{tree}} \cdot \exp \left[-\frac{\alpha}{4\pi} \sum_i C_i \log^2 \left(\frac{s}{M_W^2} \right) \right]$$

At asymptotically high energies, the exponential suppression is significant

→ .. and EWSLs enhancements dominate over constant and power suppressed radiative corrections

EWSL: why bother if we have the exact NLO EW?

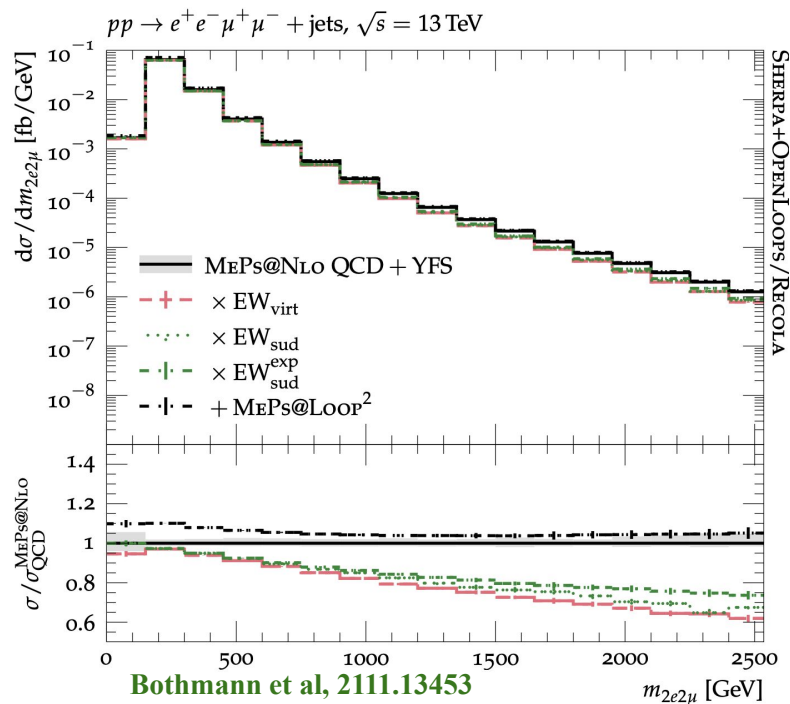
EWSL have recently garnered renewed interest [Sherpa, Bothmann et al, 2006.14635](#); [OpenLoops, Lindert et al, 2312.07927](#)

→ EWSL are computationally faster and more stable than exact NLO EW corrections

→ EWSL can be resummed e.g. [Denner, Rode, 2402.10503](#)

→ Born-like kinematics; simplified PS merging/matching [Chiesa et al, 1305.6837](#); [Bothmann et al, 2111.13453](#); [Pagani et al, 2309.00452](#)

→ EWSL are universal at high energies



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i.e. they factorize as a matrix, and are split into various contributions according to their origin:

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- at least one-helicity configuration is *not mass suppressed*
- split the EW logarithmic corrections into various contributions
- EWSL computed helicity-by-helicity

EWSL: numerical SM implementation [Pagani and Zaro, hep-ph/2110.03714](#)

Building upon the DP algorithm:

→ automate the computation of EWSL for any process
in MG5_aMC [Alwall et al, 1405.0301](#) & [Frixione et al, 1804.10017](#)

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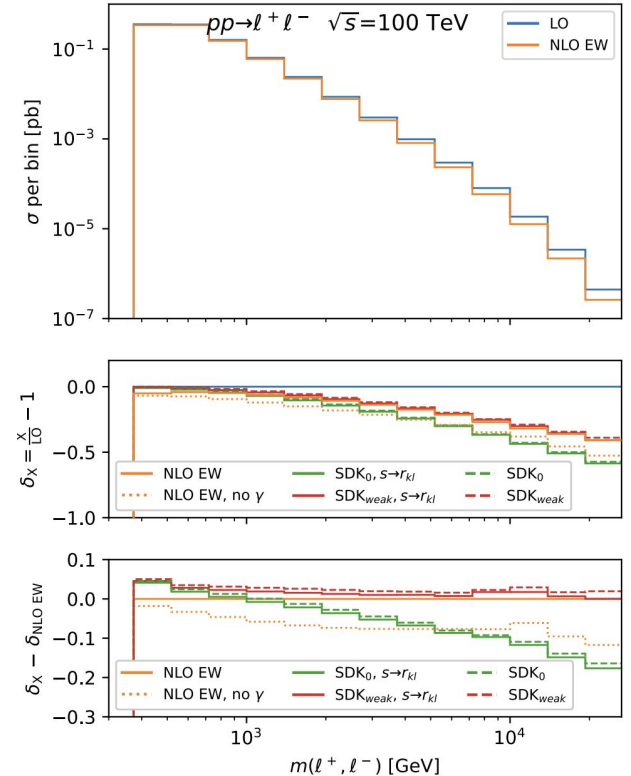
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→ approximate physical cross-section, i.e, virtual +
real emissions; SDK_{weak}



Moving to SMEFT

SMEFT and EW corrections

- BSM effects are expected to manifest in the tails of distributions, i.e. at high energies
- SMEFT is a systematic and model-independent way to parameterise those BSM effects
- SMEFT simulation as it stands, does not include EW corrections
- EW corrections in SMEFT are challenging, only available for few simple processes

μ decay: Pruna et al, 1408.3565;

H decay: Hartmann et al, 1505.02646 & 1507.03568; Ghezzi et al, 1505.03706; Gauld et al, 1512.02508; Dawson et al, 1801.01136 & 1807.11504; Dedes et al, 1805.00302 & 1903.12046; Cullen et al, 1904.06358 & 2007.15238;

Z/W pole obs.: Hartmann et al, 1611.09879; Dawson et al, 1808.05948 & 1909.02000;

Drell-Yan: Dawson et al, 2105.05852

.. and so the question is, can we use EWSL in SMEFT?

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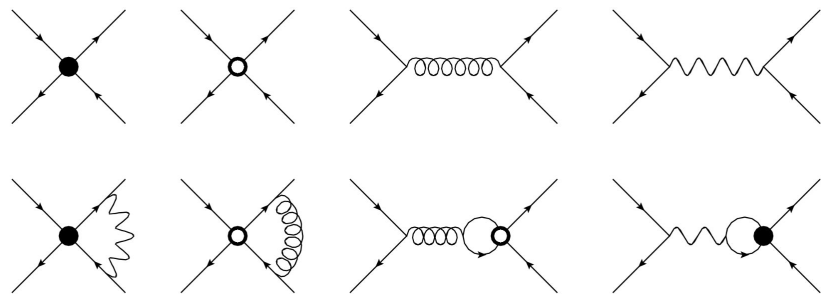
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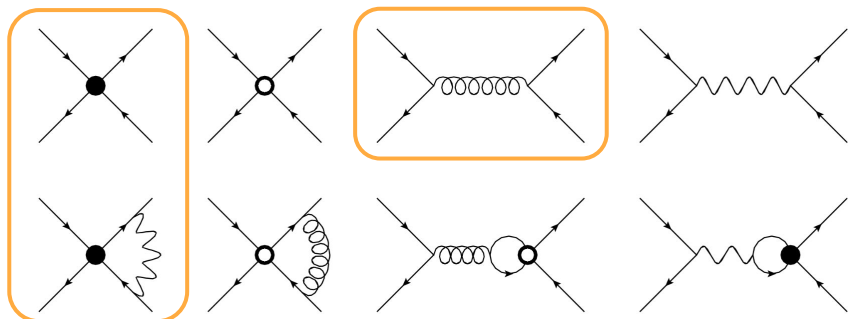
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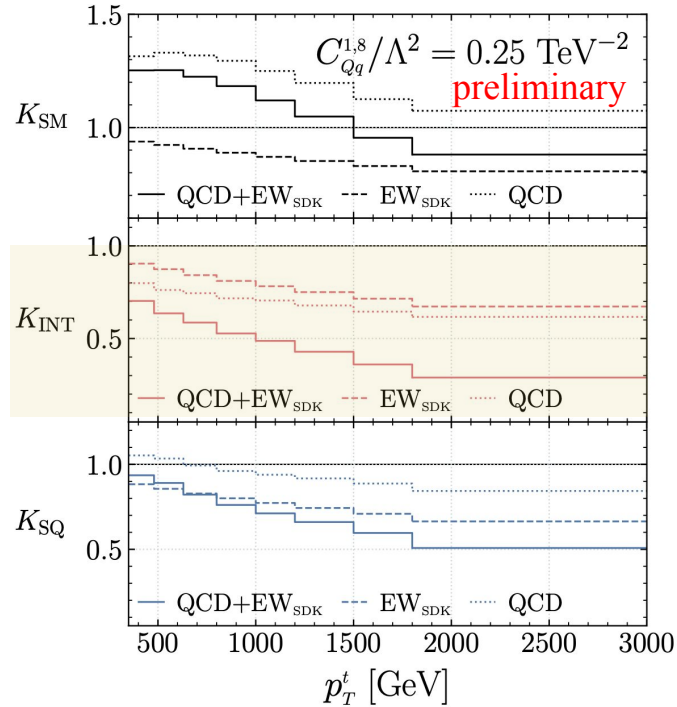
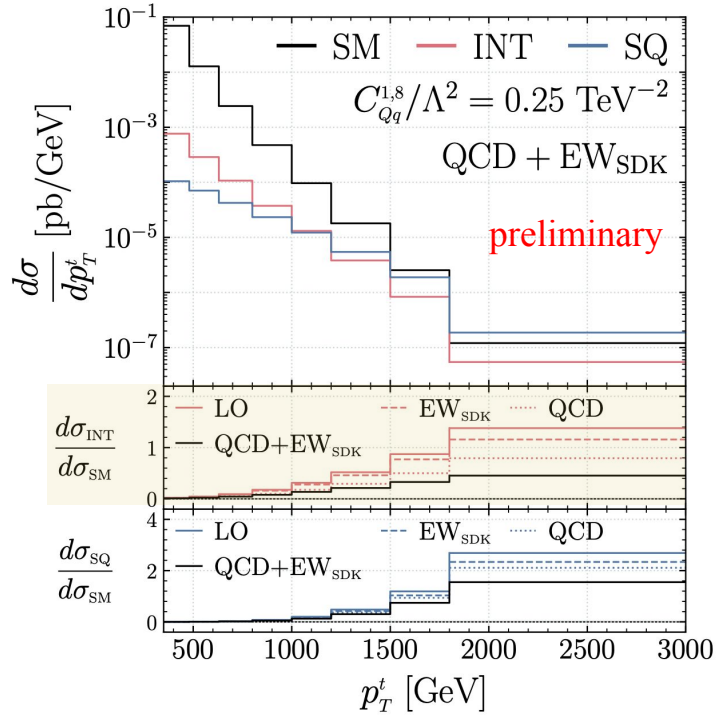
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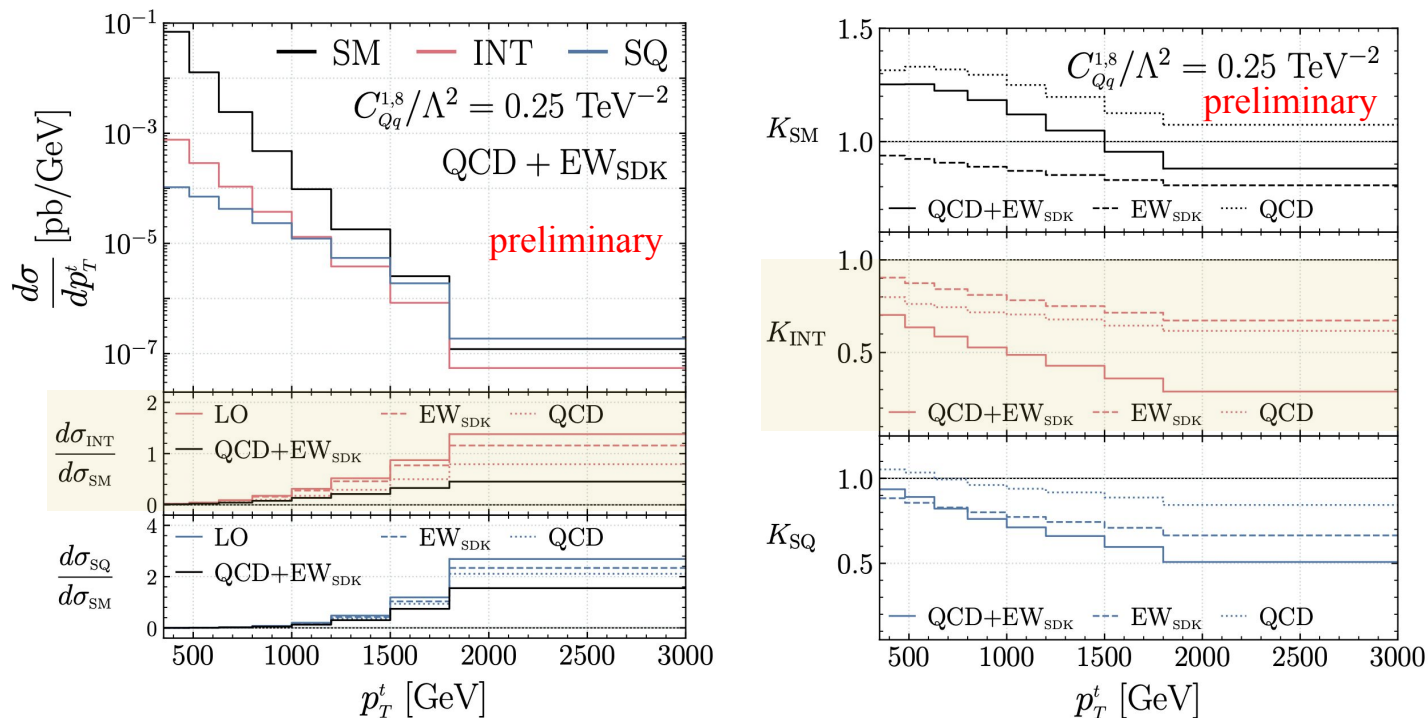
- **Utilise the EWSL implementation in MG5_aMC** [Pagani and Zaro, 2110.03714](#)
- **UFO model for SMEFT based on SMEFTatNLO** [Degrande et al, 2008.11743](#)

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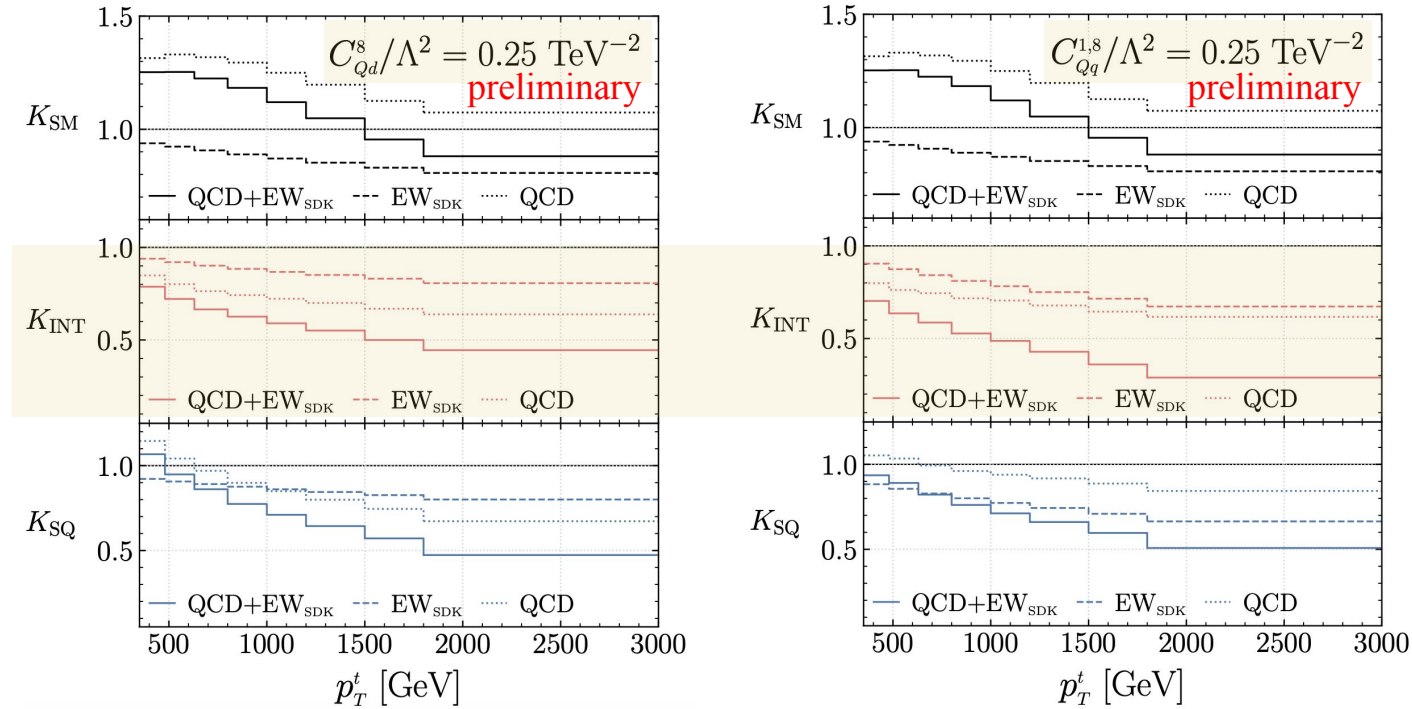
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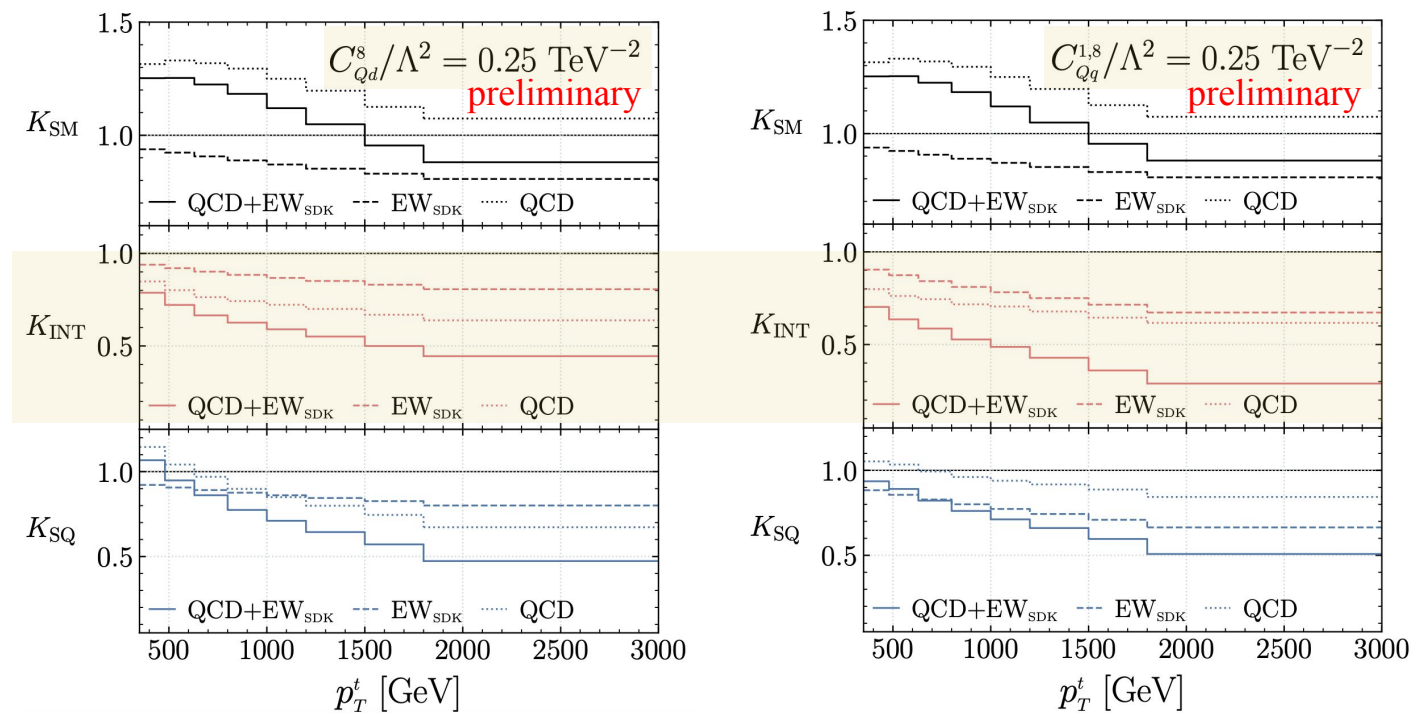
In the high energy region, EW corrections can be important, in the SM and SMEFT

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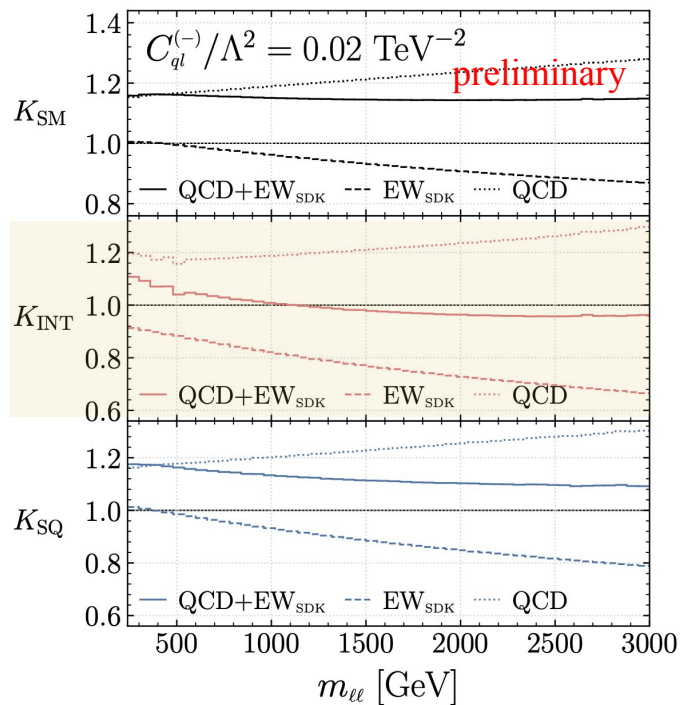
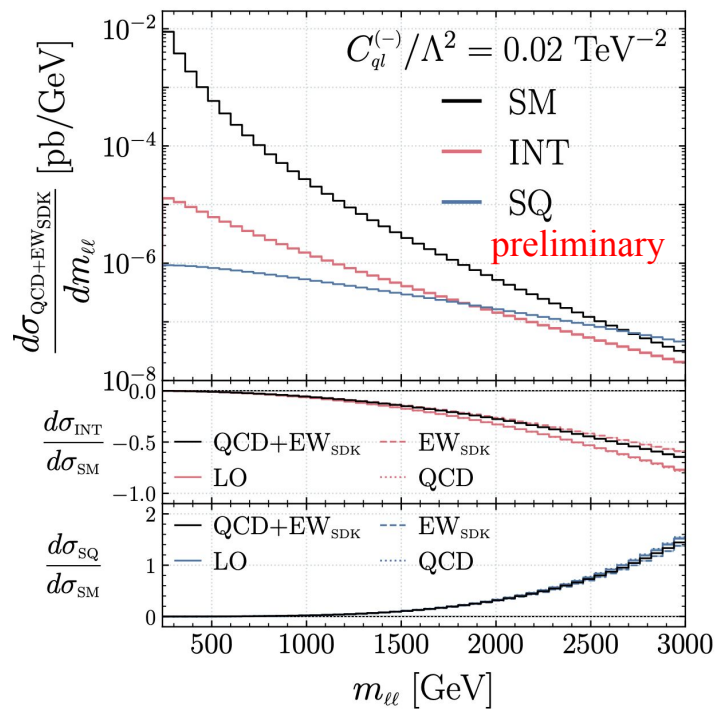
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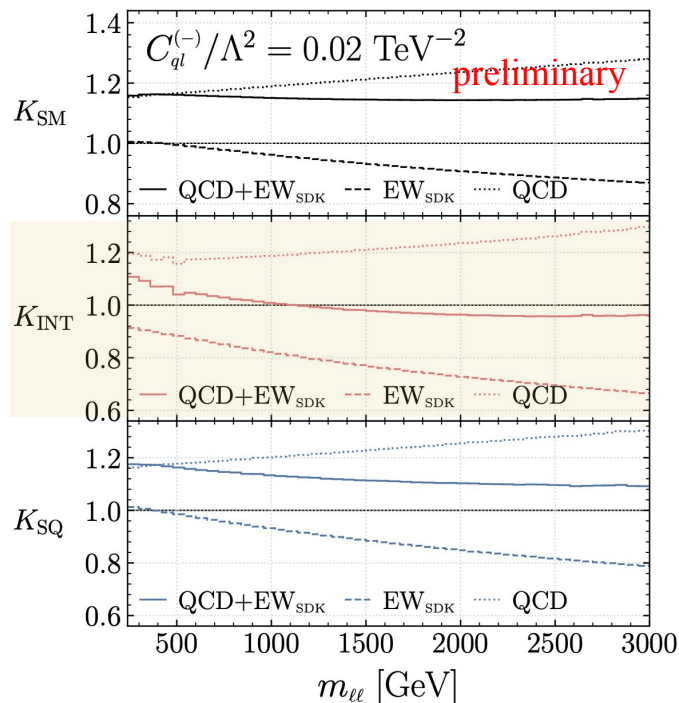
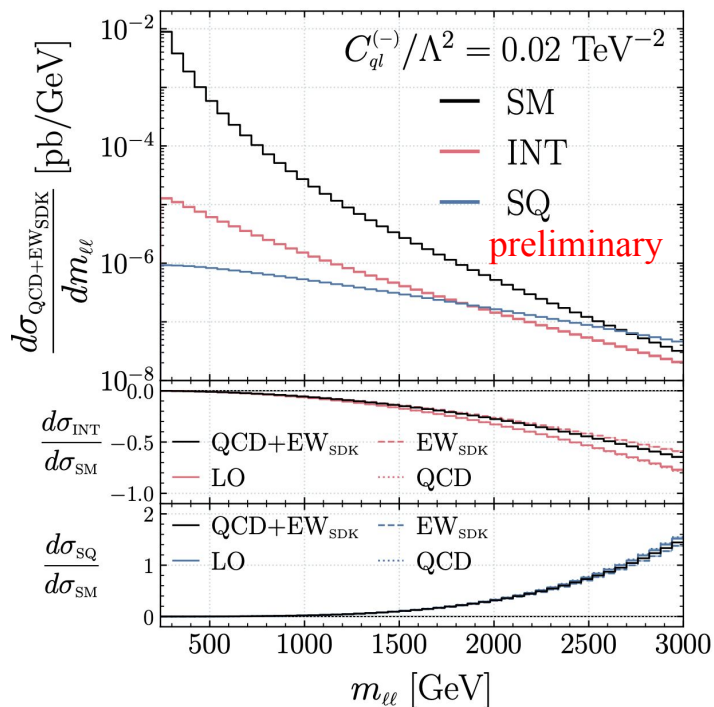
SMEFT K-factors are different among different 4F operators and from the SM

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QCD and EW corrections may feature strong, almost exact, cancellations in the EFT

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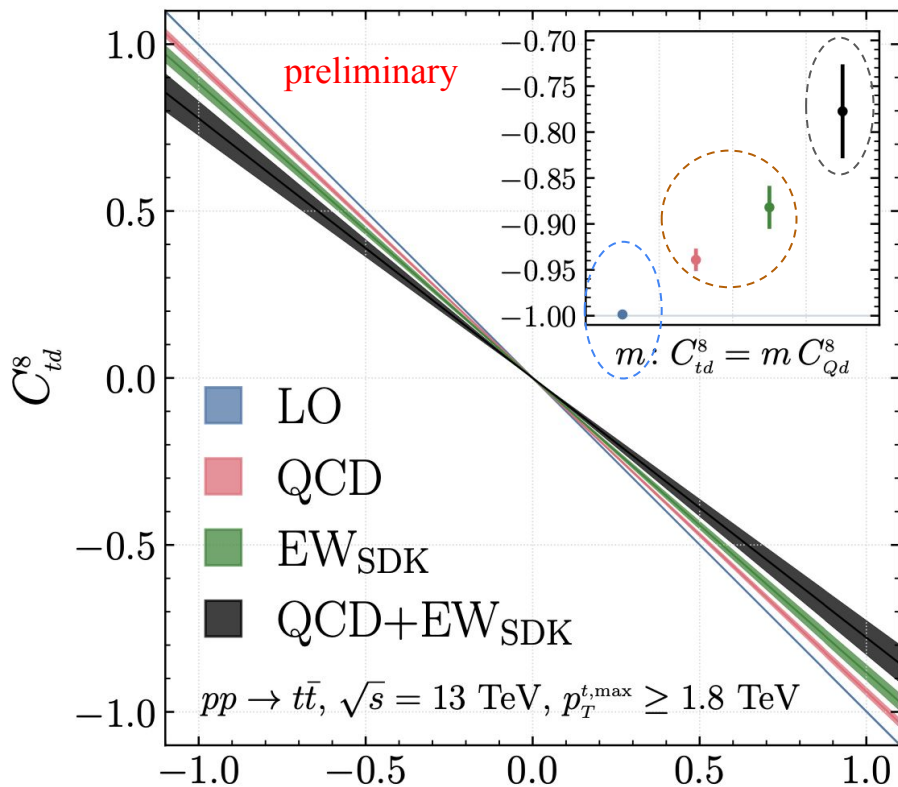
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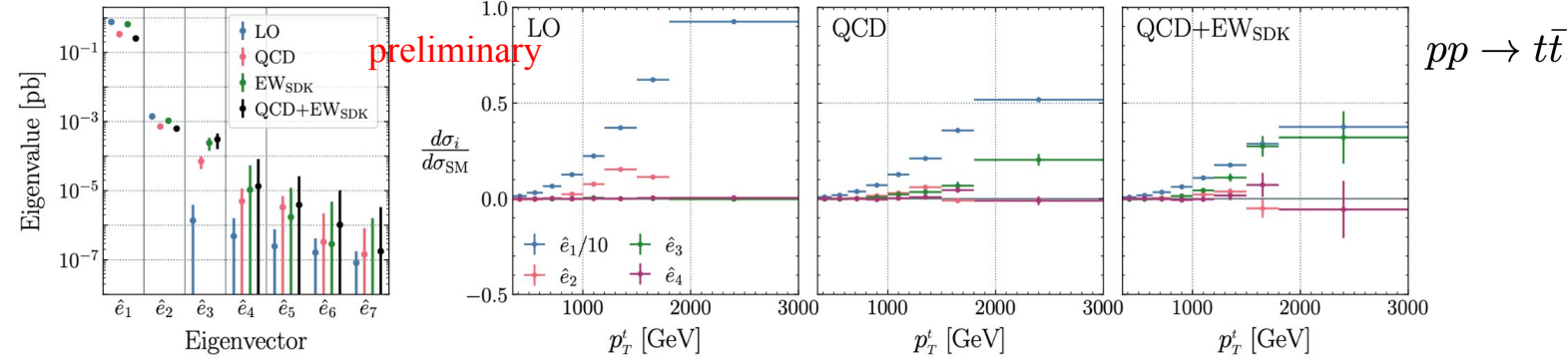


→ flat direction at LO between right-handed and left-handed SMEFT

→ NLO QCD and EW corrections separately lift the flat direction

→ combined corrections; QCD+EW, features a stronger lift

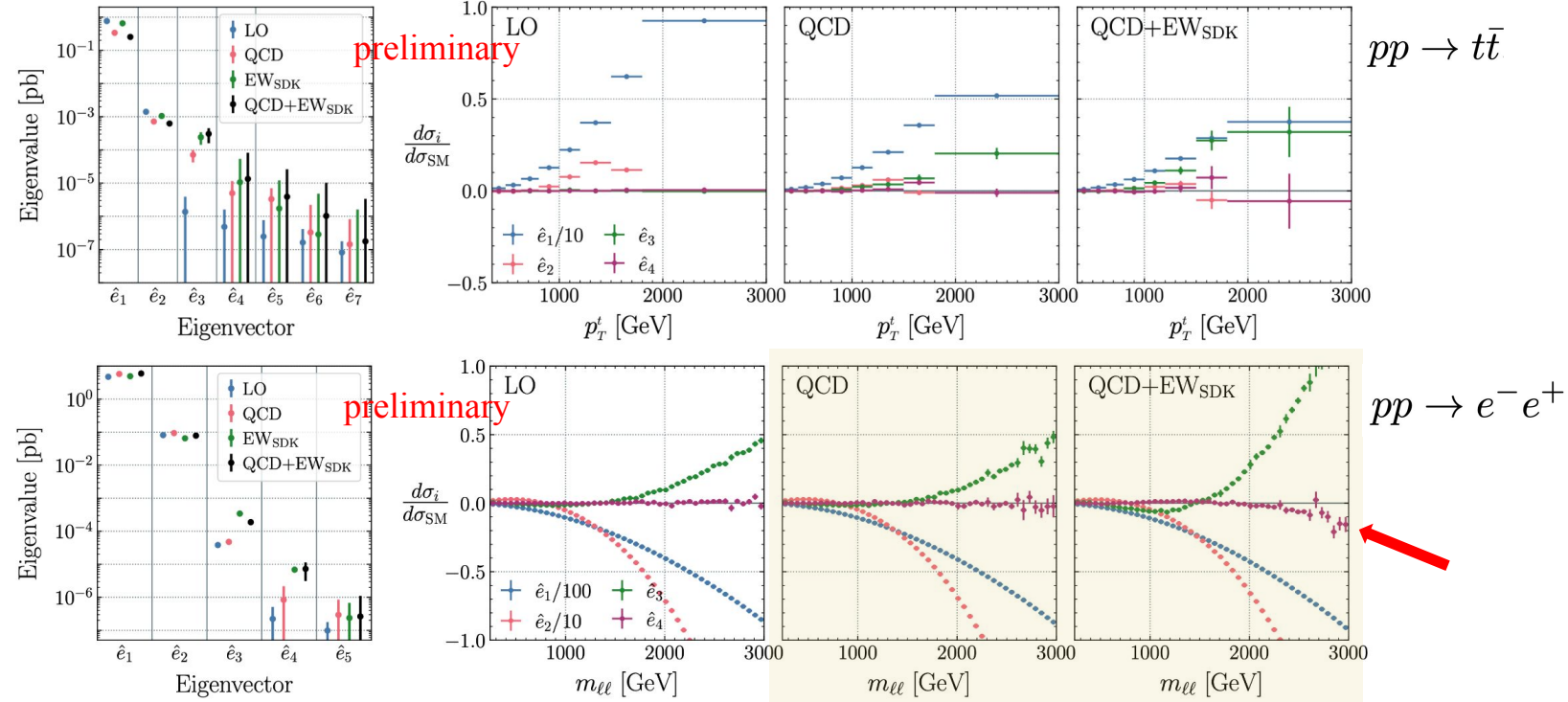
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Fisher Information: quantifies the sensitivity of the data to a given direction in the parameter space

large eigenvalues \rightarrow well-constrained directions; **zero eigenvalues** \rightarrow flat directions

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EW corrections lift some of the SMEFT flat directions existent at LO and NLO QCD

Summary and outlook

- We computed the EWSL in SMEFT for two illustrative processes with the insertion of four-fermion SMEFT operators
- We note that the DP algorithm can't be generally applied to the SMEFT, i.e. to all higher-dimension operators
- EWSL can lead to significant enhancements in the SM and EFT
- The K-factors in EFT and the SM are discrepant, as are the K-factors for different EFT operators, making a simplistic K-factor approach to account for EW corrections inadvisable
- EW corrections seem capable of lifting some flat direction in the SMEFT parameter space