

NLO QCD
in POWHEG-BOX-ew

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Work to be done since last meeting:



- Tables with higher statistics



- Tables with factorised QCD+QED combination



- Scale variations with higher statistics

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Code inputs and definitions

- EW scheme: (α, M_Z, M_W)
- CMS scheme
- $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$
- PDF: MSTW2008nlo68cl (LHA 21100)
- factorisation scheme: \overline{MS}

$$\mu_F = \mu_R = M_{\ell\bar{\ell}}$$

Parameter	Value
α	$7.297353 \cdot 10^{-3}$
G_μ	$1.166389 \cdot 10^{-5}$
M_Z^*	91.1876
Γ_Z^*	2.4952
M_W^*	80.385
Γ_W^*	2.085
M_H	125
m_e	$0.51099907 \cdot 10^{-3}$
m_μ	0.1056583
m_τ	1.77705
m_b	4.7
m_t	173

Parameter	Value
m_u	0.06983
m_d	0.06984
m_s	0.15
m_c	1.2

* Automatically translated to pole values

NLO QED and QCD corrections - how to combine them?

1: additive method

$$\sigma_{\text{QED+QCD}} = \sigma_{\text{NLOQCD}} + \sigma_{\text{NLOQED}} - \sigma_{\text{LO}} = \sigma_{\text{LO}} (1 + \delta_{\text{QCD}} + \delta_{\text{QED}})$$

$$A_{\text{FB}}^{\text{QED+QCD}} = \frac{(\sigma_F - \sigma_B)^{\text{NLOQED}} + (\sigma_F - \sigma_B)^{\text{NLOQCD}} - (\sigma_F - \sigma_B)^{\text{LO}}}{(\sigma_F + \sigma_B)^{\text{NLOQED}} + (\sigma_F + \sigma_B)^{\text{NLOQCD}} - (\sigma_F + \sigma_B)^{\text{LO}}}$$

Equivalent at NLO
difference due to $\mathcal{O}(\alpha\alpha_s)$ terms

2: factorized method

$$\sigma_{\text{QED+QCD}} = \sigma_{\text{LO}} (1 + \delta_{\text{QCD}}) (1 + \delta_{\text{QED}})$$

$A_{\text{FB}}^{\text{QED+QCD}}$ to be computed bin-by-bin from $d\sigma/d\cos\theta$ - has more complicated expression

starting point:
$$\frac{d\sigma_{\text{QED+QCD}}}{d\cos\theta} = \frac{d\sigma_{\text{NLOQCD}}}{d\cos\theta} \left(\frac{d\sigma_{\text{NLOQED}}}{d\cos\theta} / \frac{d\sigma_{\text{LO}}}{d\cos\theta} \right)$$

QED and QCD corrections - additive combination

$$A_4 = 8/3 \cdot A_{FB}$$

89 – 93 GeV	60 – 81 GeV	81 – 101 GeV	101 – 150 GeV
$8/3 \cdot A_{FB}(\text{LO})$			
0.12414(1)	-0.54106(2)	0.119513(8)	0.60285(2)
$8/3 \cdot [A_{FB}(\text{NLOQCD}) - A_{FB}(\text{LO})]/10^{-2}$			
-0.39(2)	2.074(2)	-0.37(1)	-1.811(2)
$8/3 \cdot [A_{FB}(\text{NLOQCD} + \text{QED}) - A_{FB}(\text{LO})]/10^{-2}$			
-0.078(5)	27.220(5)	-0.162(3)	-1.73(1)

$$\text{QED} : [A_{FB}(\text{NLO QED}) - A_{FB}(\text{LO})]/10^{-2}$$

$$\text{NLOQCD} + \text{QED} : [A_{FB}(\text{NLO QCD} + \text{QED}) - A_{FB}(\text{NLO QCD})]/10^{-2}$$

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QED	0.423(2)	28.296(3)	0.262(2)	0.27(1)
NLO QCD + QED	0.315(6)	25.146(5)	0.209(5)	0.08(1)
QED FSR	0.439(2)	28.604(7)	0.289(1)	0.87(1)
NLO QCD + QED FSR	0.326(6)	25.4261(7)	0.231(4)	0.59(1)
QED ISR	0.001(1)	-0.040(4)	0.001(1)	0.045(6)
NLO QCD + QED ISR	0.002(4)	-0.043(4)	0.002(4)	0.052(5)
QED IFI	-0.013(6)	-0.34(2)	-0.026(7)	-0.59(3)
NLO QCD + QED IFI	-0.011(7)	-0.30(2)	-0.022(7)	-0.52(3)

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$A_4 = 4 \langle \cos \theta \rangle$ (LO)			
0.031034(1)	-0.135266(3)	0.029878(1)	0.150727(2)
$[A_4(\text{NLOQCD}) - A_4(\text{LO})]/10^{-2}$			
-0.384(4)	2.11(1)	-0.363(3)	-1.89(1)
$[A_4(\text{NLOQCD} + \text{QED}) - A_4(\text{LO})]/10^{-2}$			
-0.085(6)	27.128(4)	-0.172(4)	-1.87(1)

$$\text{QED} : [A_4(\text{NLO QED}) - A_4(\text{LO})]/10^{-2}$$

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QED	0.420(2)	28.196(3)	0.256(1)	0.131(8)
NLO QCD + QED	0.312(8)	25.057(4)	0.203(5)	-0.04(1)
QED FSR	0.438(1)	28.553(6)	0.288(1)	0.862(9)
NLO QCD + QED FSR	0.325(7)	25.382(6)	0.229(5)	0.58(1)
QED ISR	0.0007(9)	-0.040(3)	0.0010(7)	0.048(4)
NLO QCD + QED ISR	0.002(5)	-0.042(3)	0.002(3)	0.048(7)
QED IFI	-0.015(5)	-0.43(1)	-0.030(4)	-0.72(3)
NLO QCD + QED IFI	-0.013(8)	-0.37(1)	-0.026(6)	-0.62(3)

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NLO QCD + QED	0.42(1)	28.110(9)	0.30(1)	0.30(2)	

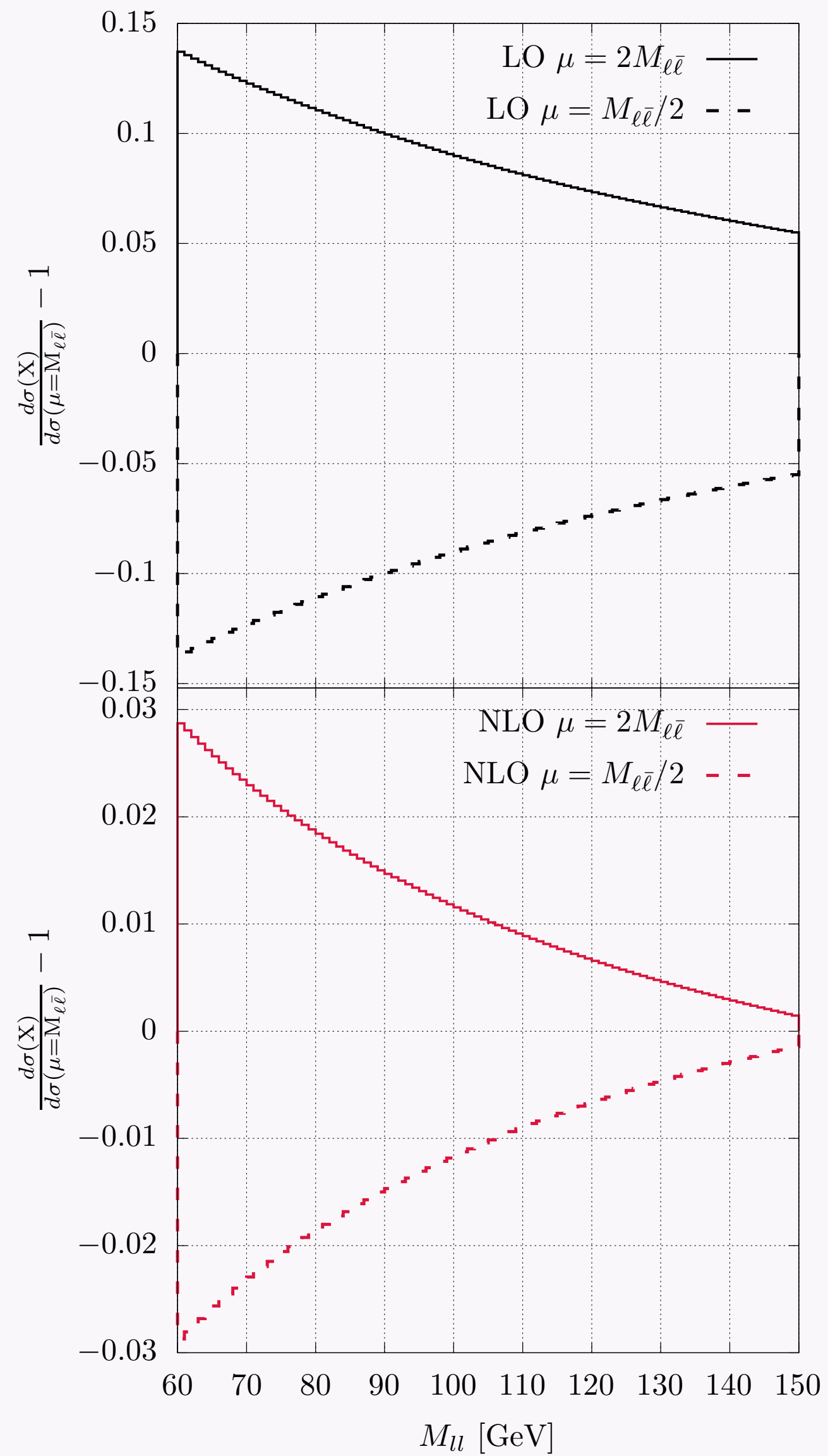
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NLO QCD + QED	0.40(2)	27.147(4)	0.246(8)	0.17(1)	

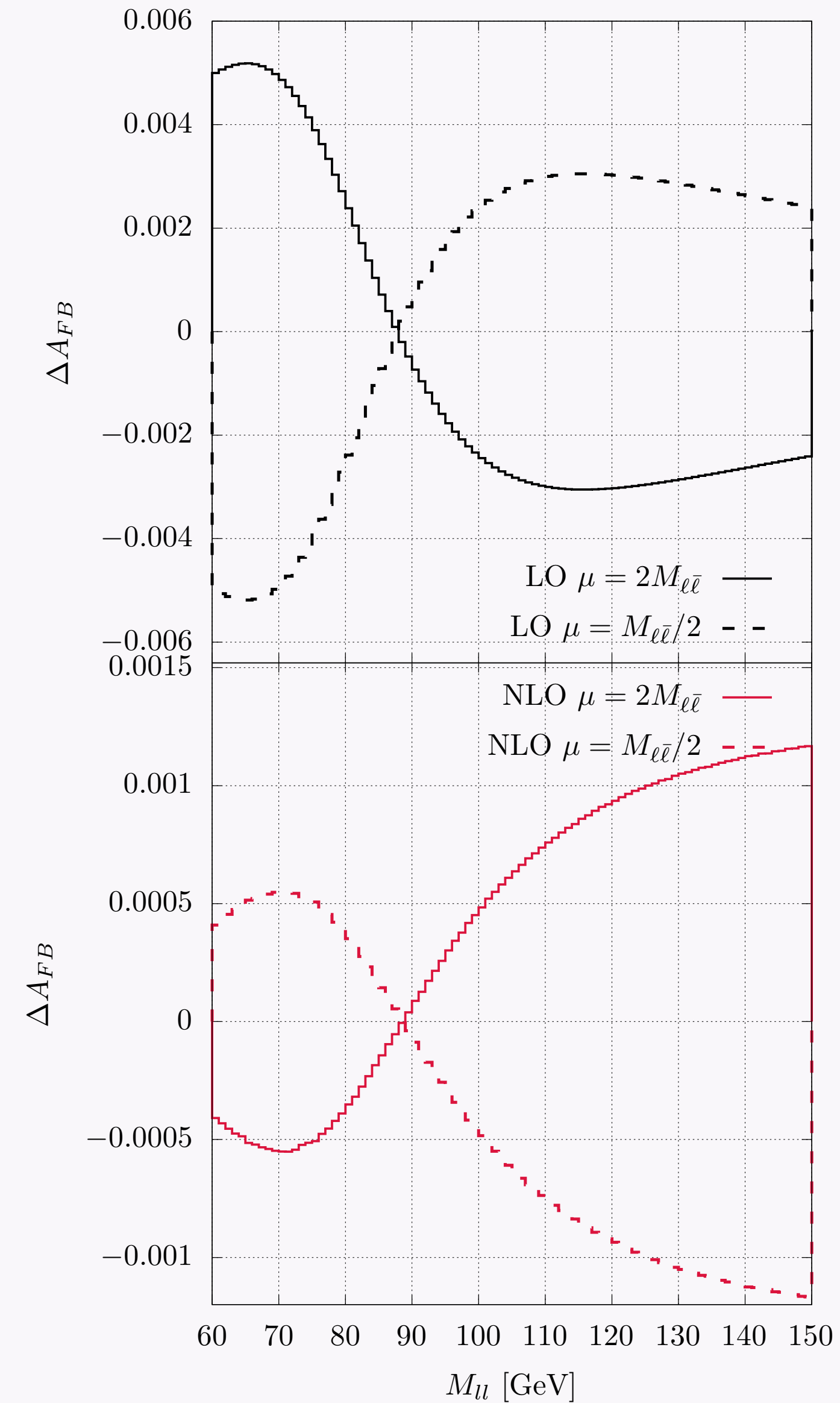
$$\text{NLOQCD + QED} : [A_{FB}(\text{NLO QCD + QED}) - A_{FB}(\text{NLO QCD})]/10^{-2}$$

Scale variations at NLO QCD

Cross section



Asymmetry

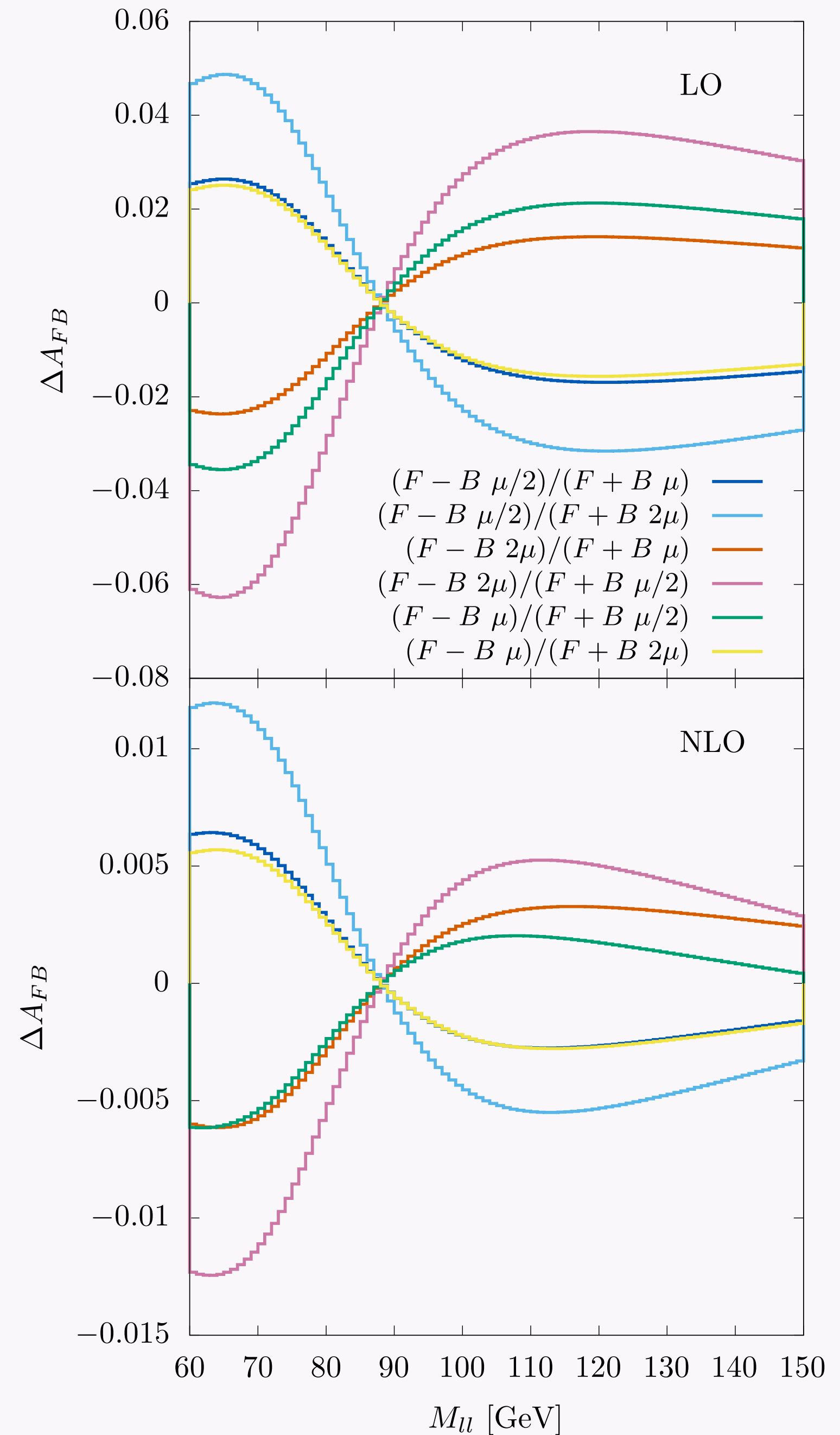


“Envelope” of scale variations

NLO QCD

$$\Delta A_{FB} = \frac{\sigma_F^X - \sigma_B^X}{\sigma_F^Y + \sigma_B^Y} - A_{FB}^{LO}$$

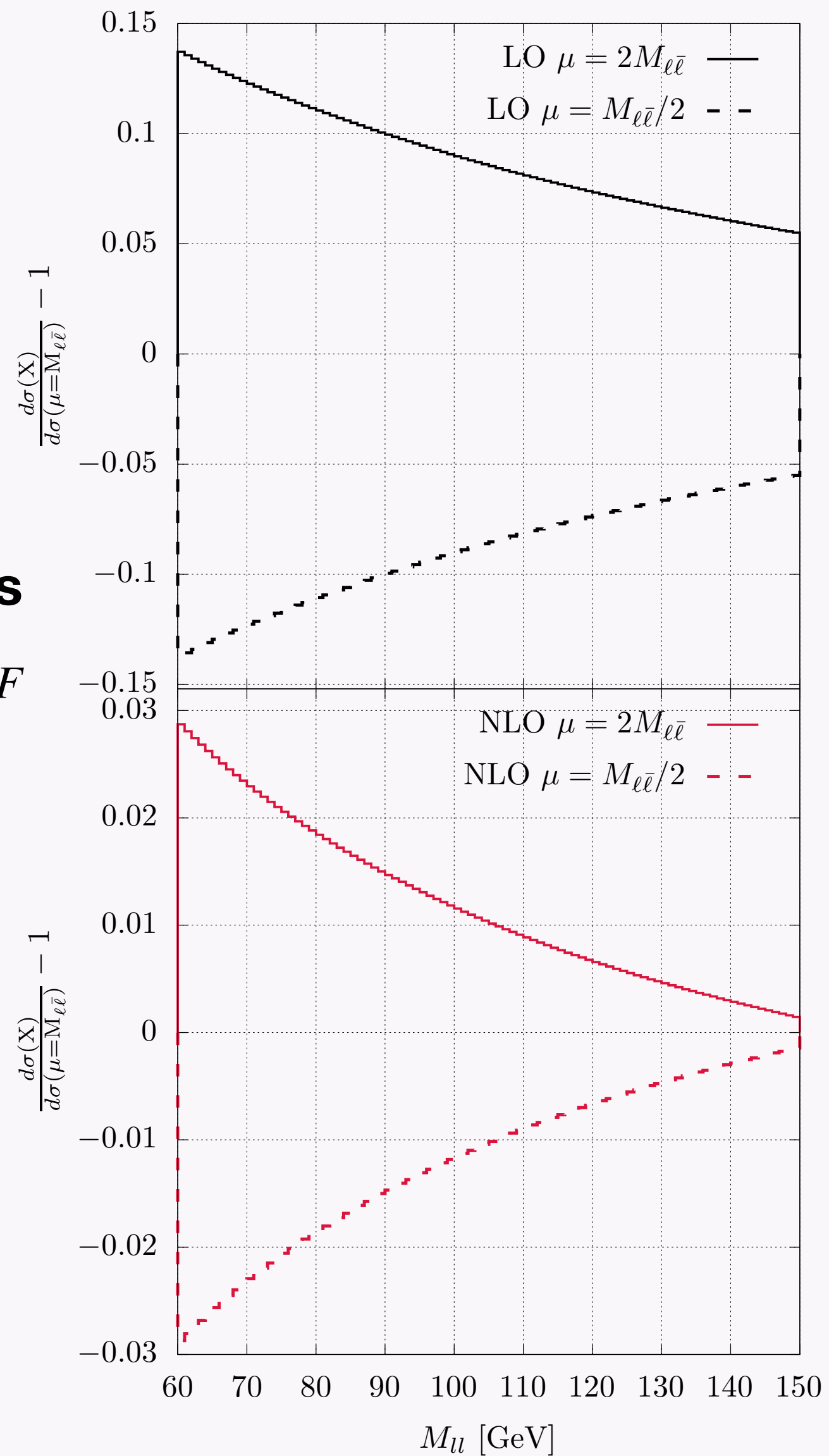
X, Y different scales: $\mu = M_{\ell\bar{\ell}}, 2M_{\ell\bar{\ell}}, M_{\ell\bar{\ell}}/2$



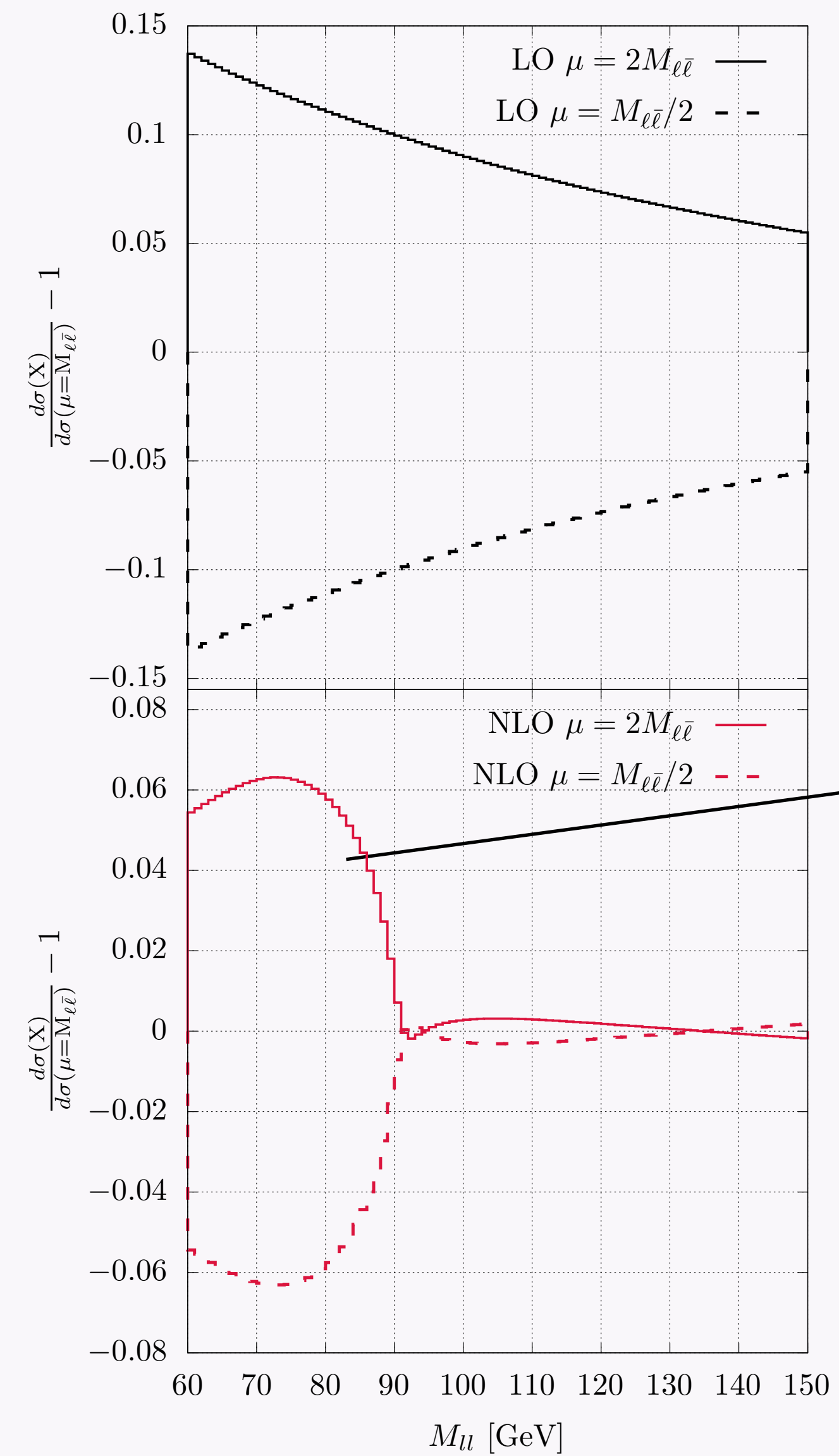
Scale variations at NLO QCD+QED

Cross section
factorised method

Hp. QED corrections
do not depend on μ_F



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additive method

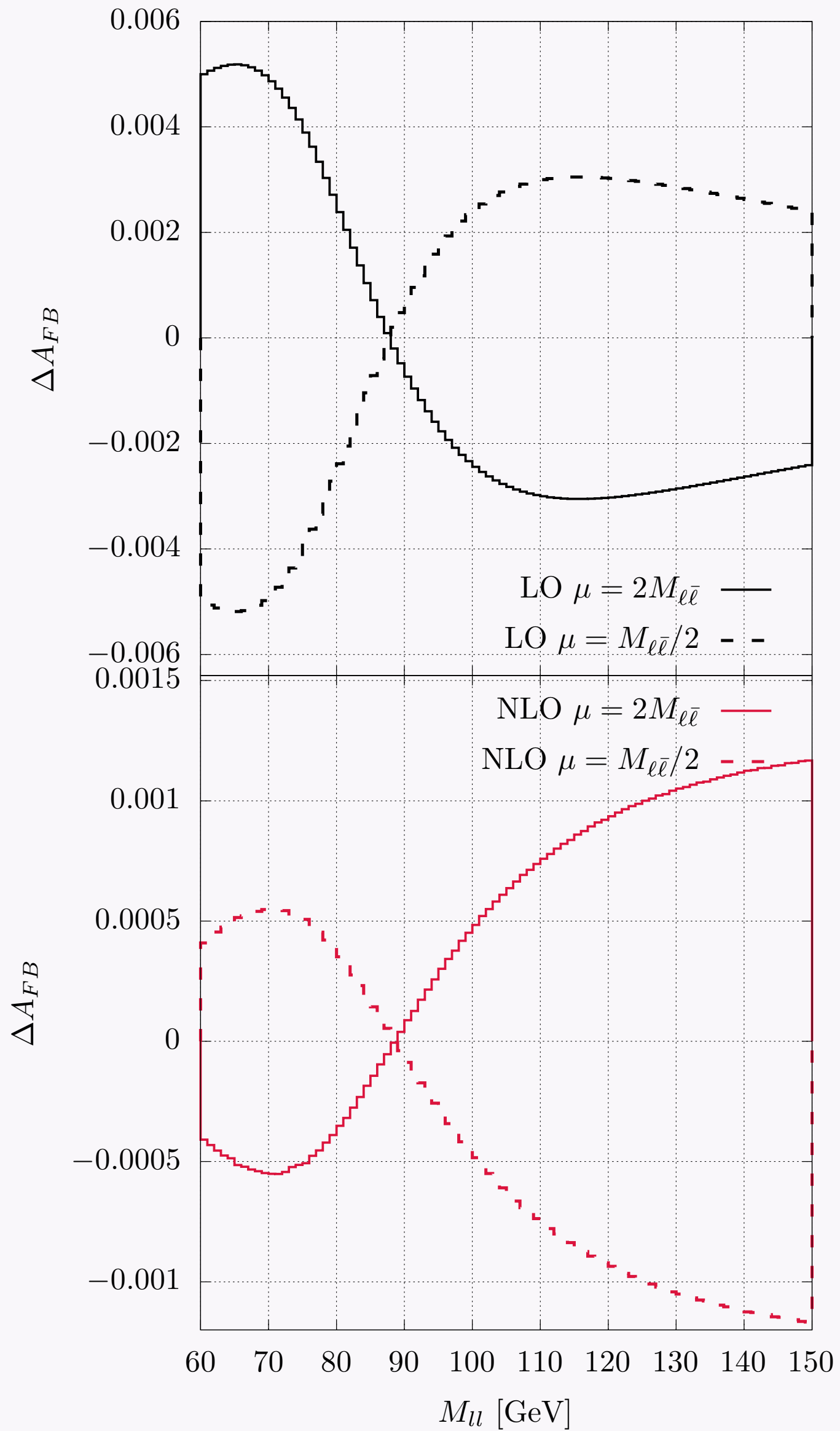


Bulk due to QED

Scale variations at NLO QCD+QED

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