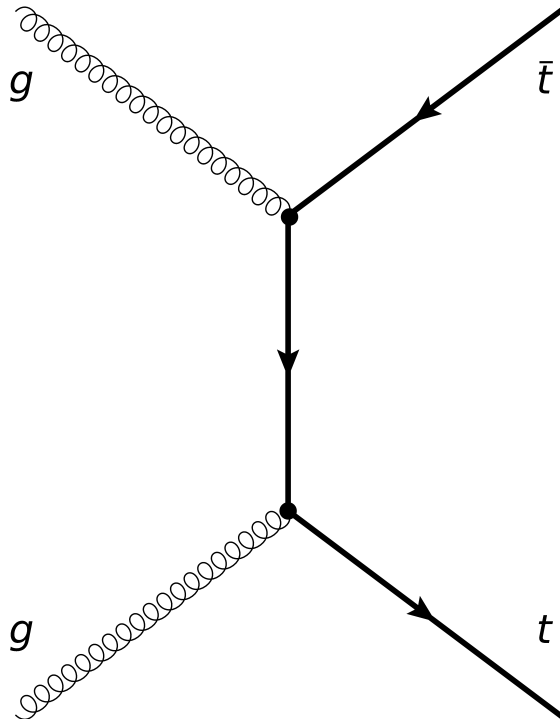


# NNLO top quark pair production



**LHC @ 7 TeV (CMS di-lepton)**

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 161.9 \pm 2.5^{+5.1}_{-5.0} \pm 3.6 \text{ pb}$$

**5%**

**LHC @ 7 TeV (ATLAS & CMS combined)**

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 173.3 \pm 2.3 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 9.8 \text{ (syst.) pb}$$

**5.8%**

**LHC @ 8 TeV (CMS combined)**

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 227 \pm 3 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 11 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 10 \text{ (lumi.) pb}$$

**6.7%**

J.Andrea (TOP2012)

M.Czakon (RWTH), P.Fiedler (RWTH), A.Mitov (CERN)

# Current status of top pair production

Before NNLO:

Beneke, Falgari, Klein, Schwinn `09-`11  
Ahrens, Ferroglia, Neubert, Pecjak, Yang `10-`11  
Kidonakis `04-`11  
Aliev, Lacker, Langenfeld, Moch, Uwer, Wiedermann '10  
Cacciari, Czakon, Mangano, Mitov, Nason '11

NNLO:

q $\bar{q}$ : Bärnreuther, Czakon, Mitov, Phys. Rev. Lett., April '12  
qq': Czakon, Mitov, JHEP, July '12  
qq: Czakon, Mitov, JHEP, October '12  
Gluon fusion: Czakon, PF, Mitov, Phys. Rev. Lett., March'13

Publicly available software:

➤ **HATHOR**

Aliev, Lacker, Langenfeld, Moch, Uwer, Wiedemann `10

NNLO

➤ **Top++**

Czakon, Mitov `11

NNLO + NNLL soft gluon resummation in Mellin-space

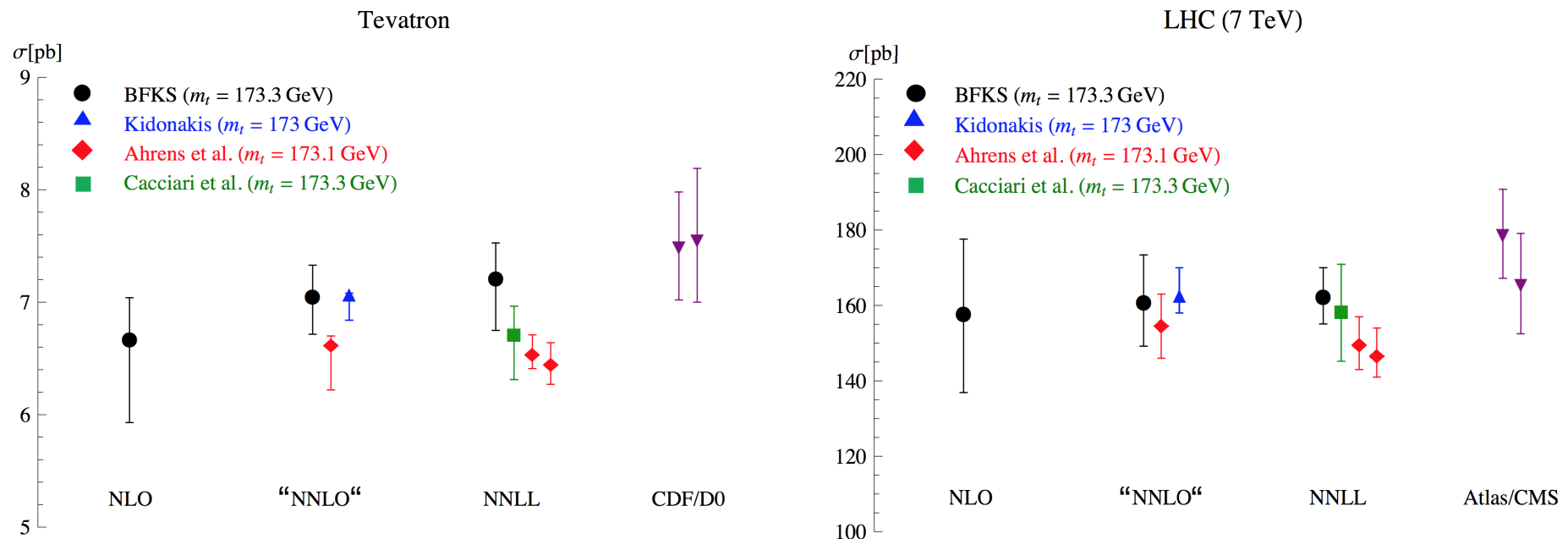
➤ **TOPIX**

Beneke, Falgari, Klein, Piclum, Schwinn, Ubiali, Yan `12

NLO + approximations for NNLO + NNLL soft and Coulomb resummation in x-space

# Current status of top pair production

Just some time ago...



# Total cross section

➤ Factorization theorem

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}} = \sum_{i,j} \int_0^{\beta_{\text{max}}} d\beta \Phi_{ij}(\beta, \mu^2) \hat{\sigma}_{ij}(\beta, m^2, \mu^2)$$

$\hat{\sigma}_{ij}(\beta, m^2, \mu^2)$  Partonic cross section

$\Phi_{ij}(\beta, \mu^2)$  Partonic flux (convolution of pdfs expressed through  $\beta$ )

$\beta = \sqrt{1 - \rho}$  Relative velocity of final state top quarks

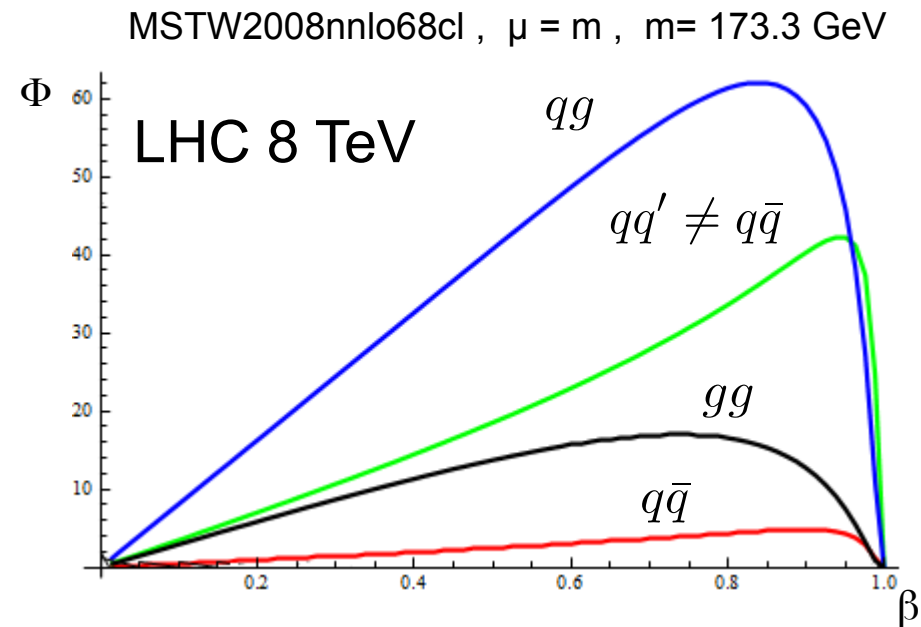
$\sqrt{s}$  Center of mass energy of collider

$\sqrt{\hat{s}}$  Partonic center of mass energy

$\mu = \mu_F = \mu_R$  Scale

$$\beta_{\text{max}} \equiv \sqrt{1 - 4m^2/s}$$

$$\rho \equiv 4m^2/\hat{s}$$



# NNLO calculations

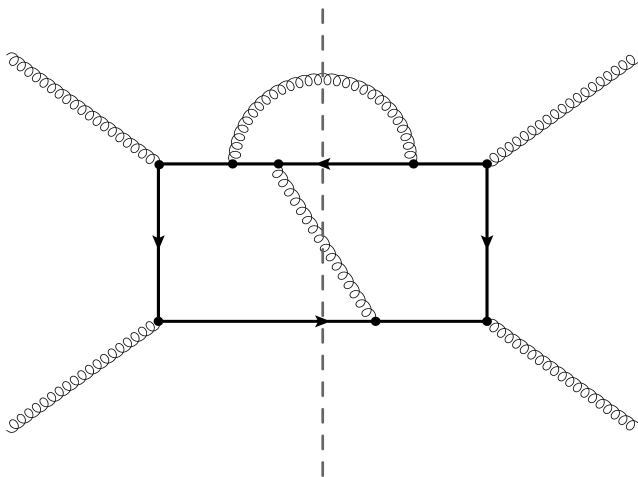
- Partonic cross section:

$$\hat{\sigma}_{ij}(\beta) = \frac{\alpha_s^2}{m^2} \left( \hat{\sigma}_{ij}^{(0)}(\beta) + \alpha_s \hat{\sigma}_{ij}^{(1)}(\beta) + \alpha_s^2 \hat{\sigma}_{ij}^{(2)}(\beta) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3) \right)$$

## 3 principal contributions:

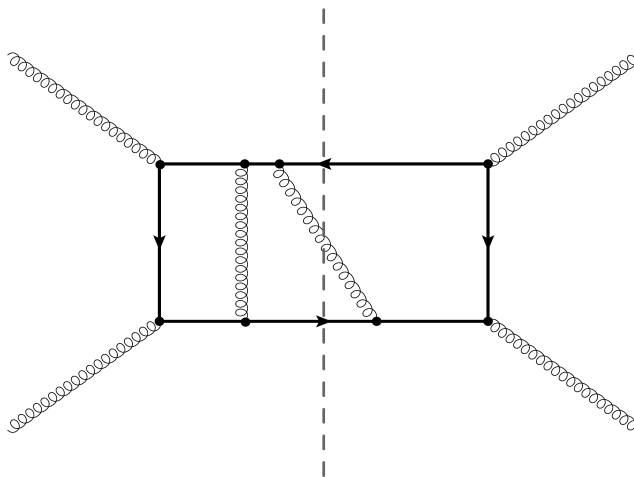
### Double Real (R-R)

- 2 extra emitted partons at tree level
- Invention of a new subtraction scheme called STRIPPER Czakon '10' 11



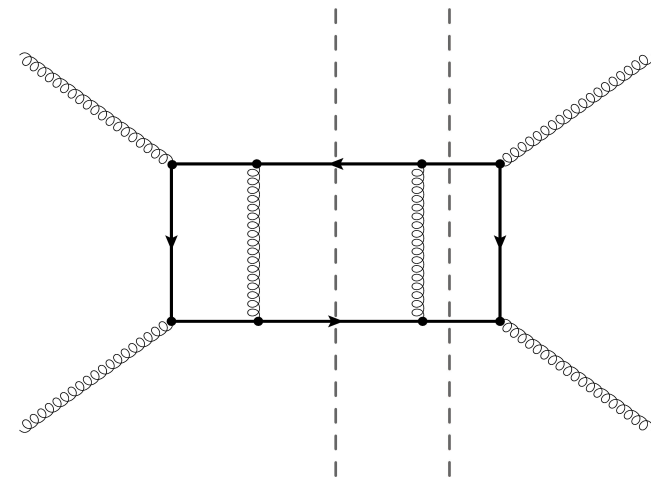
### Real-Virtual (R-V)

- 1-loop virtual with one extra parton
- Code by Stefan Dittmaier
- New subtraction terms Bierenbaum, Czakon, Mitov '11



### Double Virtual (V-V)

- One loop squared amplitudes Körner, Merebashvili, Rogal '07 gluon fusion: Anastasiou, Aybat '08 gluon fusion done from scratch
- 2-loop virtual corrections Czakon '07 (quark annihilation) Bärnreuther, Czakon, PF (gluon fusion)



# Partonic cross section results

## Partonic cross section

$$\hat{\sigma}_{ij}^{(2)}(\beta) = \hat{\sigma}_{ij}^{VV}(\beta) + \hat{\sigma}_{ij}^{RV}(\beta) + \hat{\sigma}_{ij}^{RR}(\beta) + \hat{\sigma}_{ij}^C(\beta)$$

$$= F_0(\beta) + F_1(\beta) N_L + F_2(\beta) N_L^2$$

$$F_i \equiv F_i^{(\beta)} + F_i^{(fit)} \quad i = 0, 1, 2$$

$\hat{\sigma}_{ij}^{(VV)}$  Double virtual corrections

$\hat{\sigma}_{ij}^{(RV)}$  Real virtual corrections

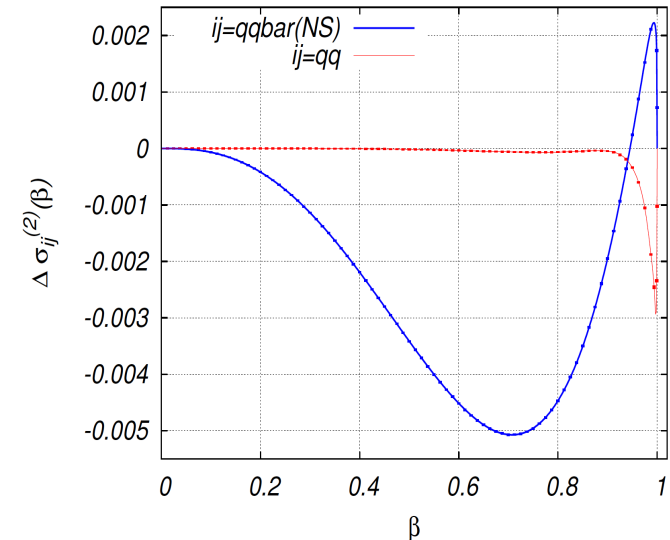
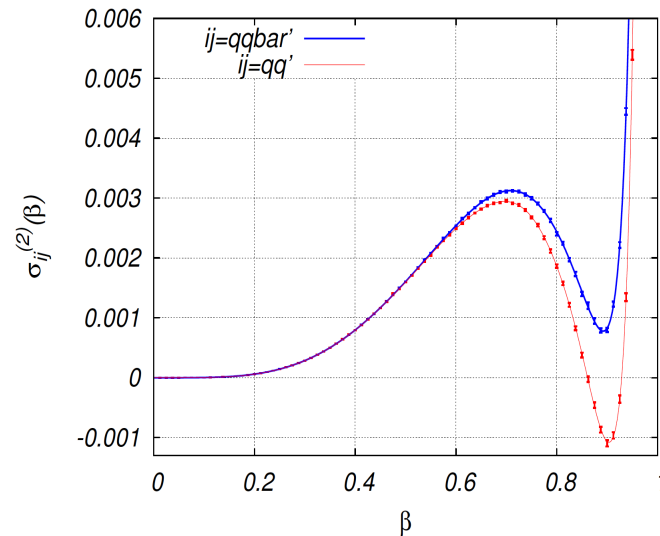
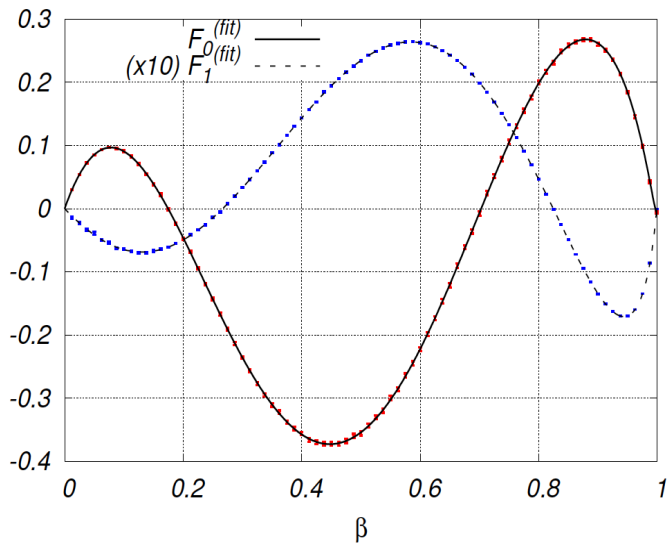
$\hat{\sigma}_{ij}^{(RR)}$  Double real corrections

$\hat{\sigma}_{ij}^C$  Collinear factorization

$N_L$  number of light quarks

$F_i^{(\beta)}$  Known threshold approx.  
Beneke, Czakon, Falgari, Mitov, Schwinn '09

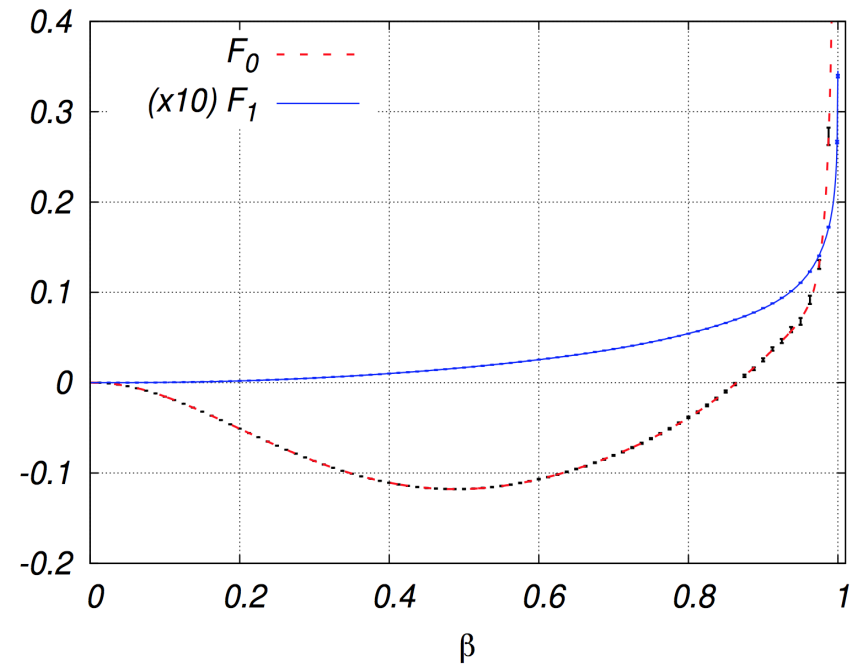
## Fermionic channels Bärnreuther, Czakon, Mitov '12 Czakon, Mitov '12



# Partonic cross section results

## Quark-gluon channel Czakon, Mitov '12

- -0.8% effect on the cross section at the Tevatron
- -1.1% effect at the LHC @ 8 TeV



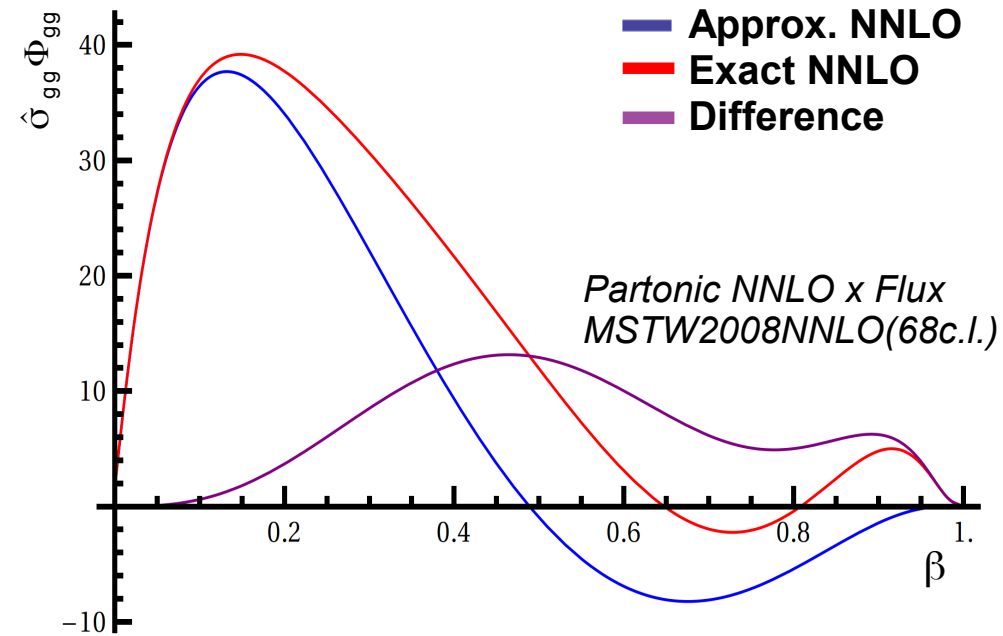
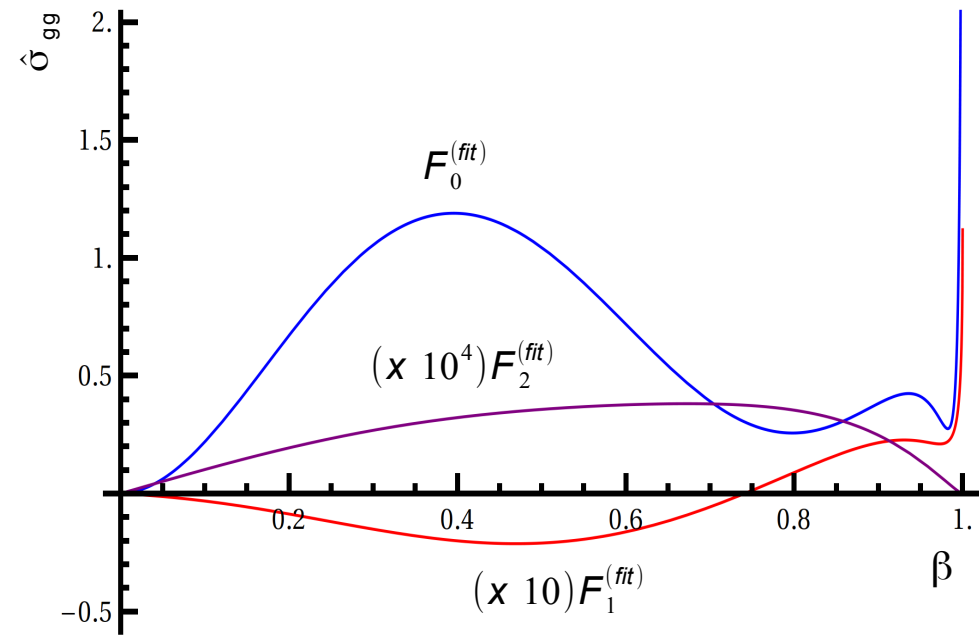
Comparison with high energy driven approximation implemented in HATHOR 1.3 Moch, Uwer, Vogt, '12

		Tevatron	LHC 7 TeV	LHC 8 TeV	LHC 14 TeV
$I_1$	Due to $\sigma_{qg}^{(1)}$ [pb]	-0.068	-0.88	-0.48	9.01
$I_2$	Due to $\sigma_{qg}^{(2)}$ [pb]	-0.057	-1.82	-2.25	-4.07
$I_3$	$\sigma_{qg}^{(2)}$ (Hathor; $(A + B)/2$ ) [pb]	0.040	5.78	8.11	27.36
$I_4$	$(I_3 - I_2)/\sigma_{\text{tot}}$ [%]	1.4	4.9	4.7	3.7

# Partonic cross section results

Gluon-fusion channel Czakon, PF, Mitov '13

$$F_i \equiv F_i^{(\beta)} + F_i^{(fit)} \quad i = 0, 1, 2$$



Top++ Czakon, Mitov

Version 1.4

NNLO<sub>approx</sub>

5%

Version 2.0

NNLO

2,8%

NNLO + NNLL

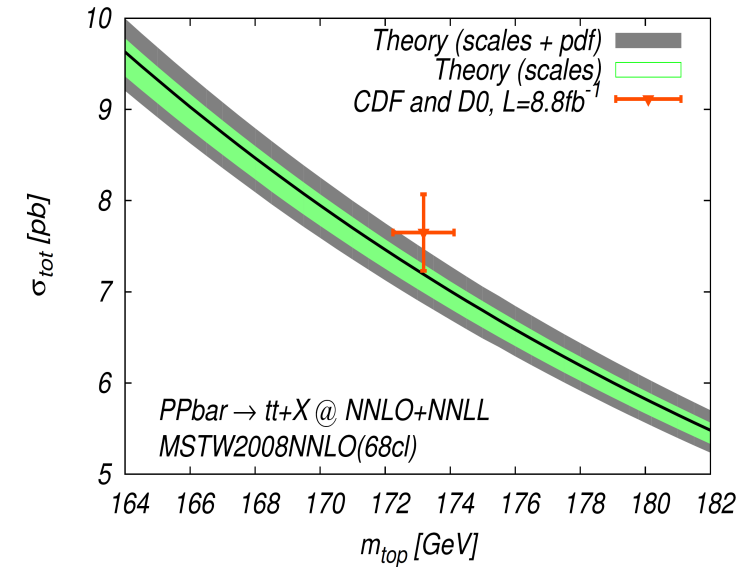




# Predictions for hadron colliders

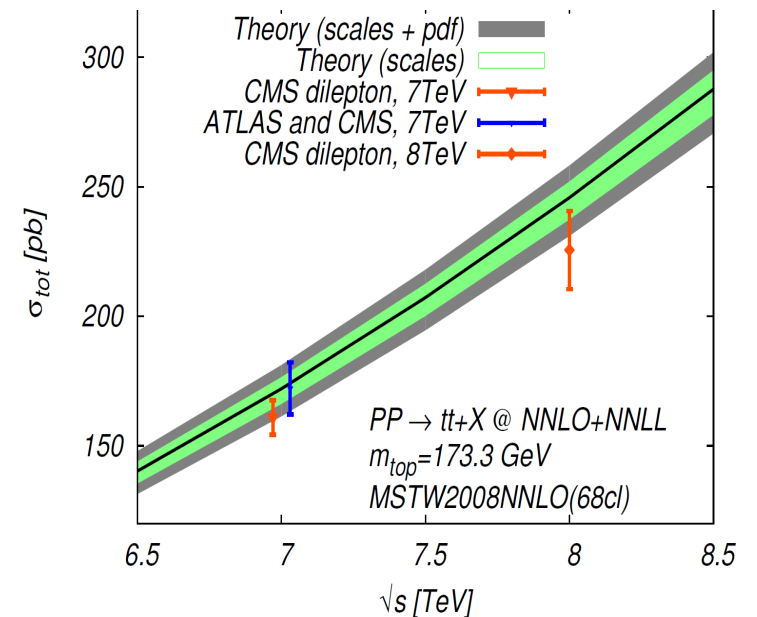
## NNLO+NNLL

	$\sigma_{\text{tot}}$ [pb]	scales [pb]	pdf [pb]
<b>Tevatron</b>	7.164	+0.110 (1.5%) -0.200 (2.8%)	+0.169 (2.4%) -0.122 (1.7%)
<b>LHC 7 TeV</b>	172.0	+4.4 (2.6%) -5.8 (3.4%)	+4.7 (2.7%) -4.8 (2.8%)
<b>LHC 8 TeV</b>	245.8	+6.2 (2.5%) -8.4 (3.4%)	+6.2 (2.5%) -6.4 (2.6%)
<b>LHC 14 TeV</b>	953.6	+22.7 (2.4%) -33.9 (3.6%)	+16.2 (1.7%) -18.8 (1.9%)



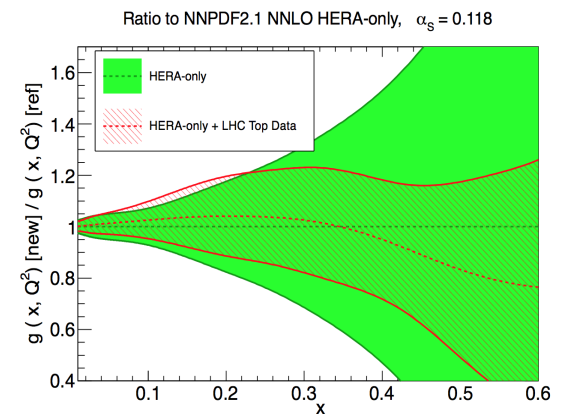
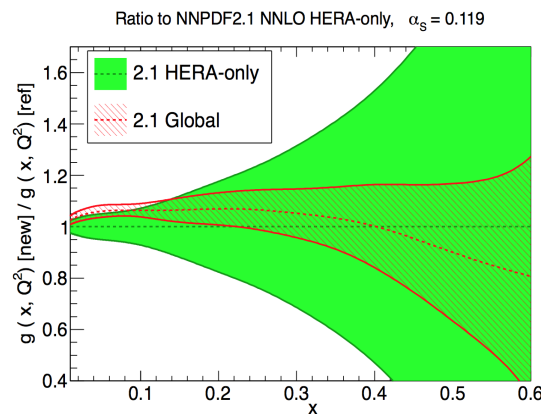
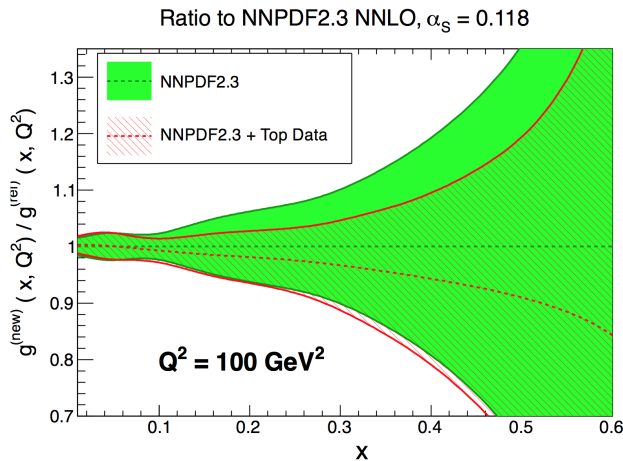
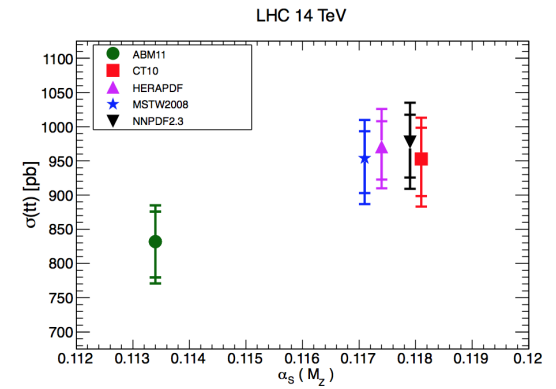
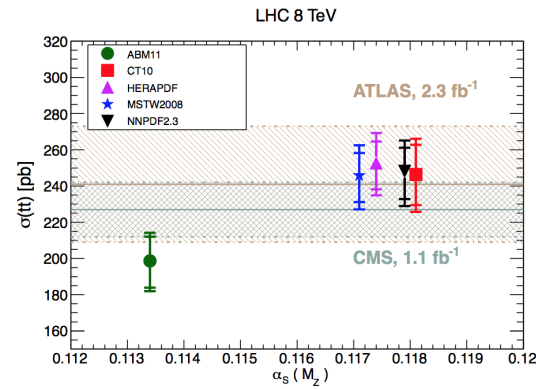
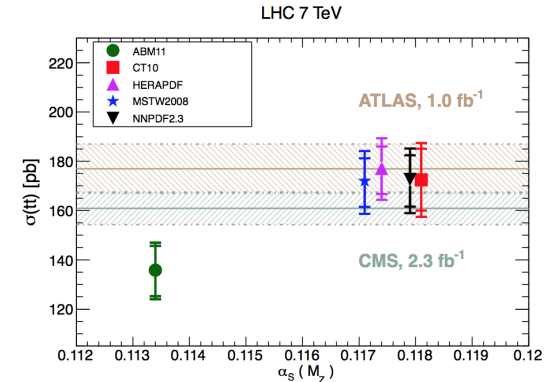
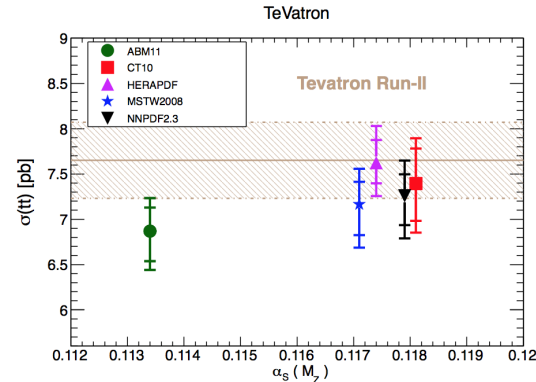
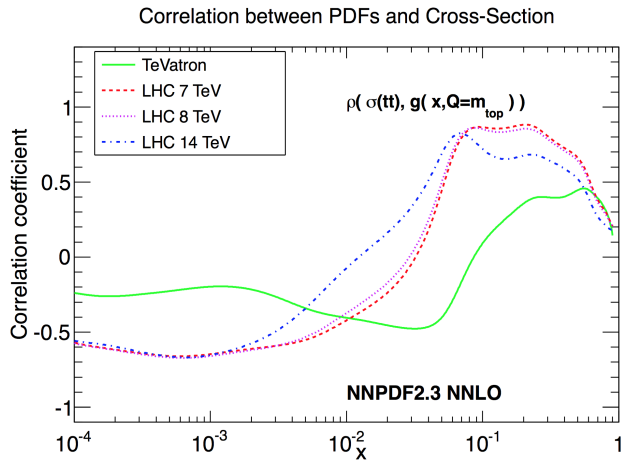
## NNLO

	$\sigma_{\text{tot}}$ [pb]	scales [pb]	pdf [pb]
<b>Tevatron</b>	7.009	+0.259 (3.7%) -0.374 (5.3%)	+0.169 (2.4%) -0.121 (1.7%)
<b>LHC 7 TeV</b>	167.0	+6.7 (4.0%) -10.7 (6.4%)	+4.6 (2.8%) -4.7 (2.8%)
<b>LHC 8 TeV</b>	239.1	+9.2 (3.9%) -14.8 (6.2%)	+6.1 (2.5%) -6.2 (2.6%)
<b>LHC 14 TeV</b>	933.0	+31.8 (3.4%) -51.0 (5.5%)	+16.1(1.7%) -17.6 (1.9%)



# Application to PDF studies

Czakon, Mangano, Mitov, Rojo '13



# Summary

- Top pair total cross section is now complete at NNLO
- Scale dependence significantly reduced
- Strong constraints for PDF sets especially large-x gluon PDF
  
- What's next?
  - Forward-backward asymmetry at Tevatron
  - Differential distributions
  - Decays

# Backup: Comparison with HATHOR for gluon fusion

