# Transverse Momentum Resummation Effects on the WW fiducial cross section

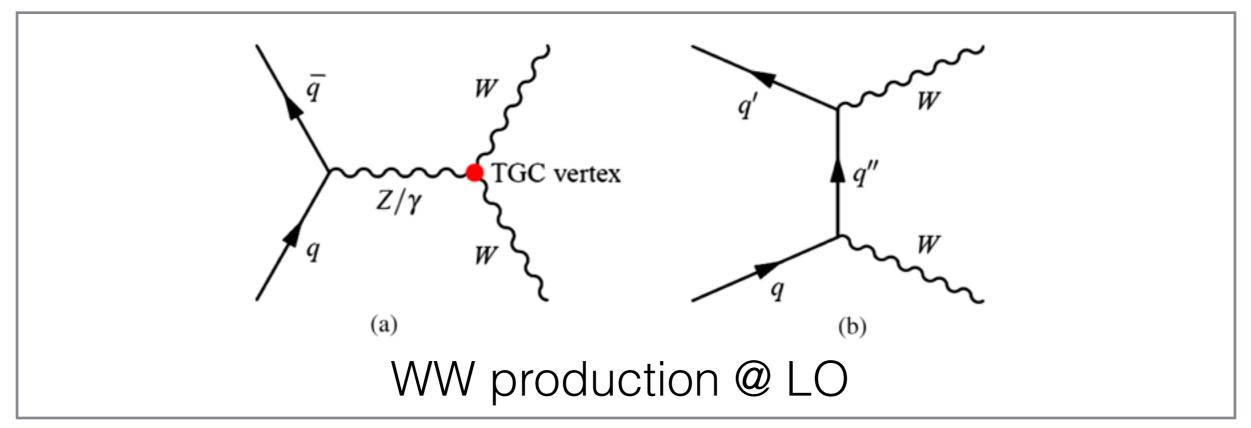
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### Outline

- Motivation
- Shapes affect Fiducial Cross Section
- Transverse Momentum Resummation
- Results

## Why is it important to get WW right?

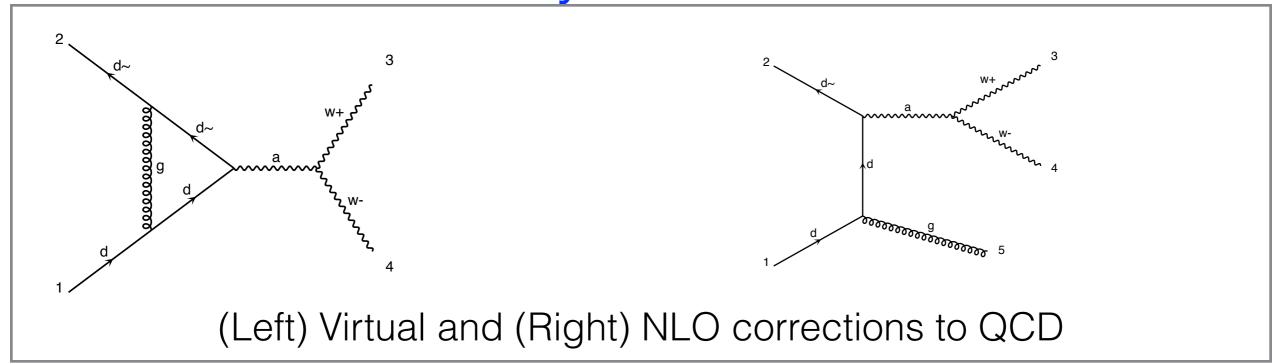


- LHC Era of Electroweak precision measurements. Onus on experiment-theory agreement.
- Heavy particles couple strongest to Higgs;
- WW is large background to H->WW.
- Getting background accurate will help with Higgs precision physics.
- WW huge background to many BSM searches

#### The WW Cross Section

- WW decaying into opposite sign dilepton
- Semi-leptonic and fully hadronic less easy/clean
- One of few channels with a Jet Veto
- Results available for ATLAS 7TeV and CMS 7&8TeV
- Indirect Results also available as background to H->WW
- Both ATLAS and CMS routinely report excess.

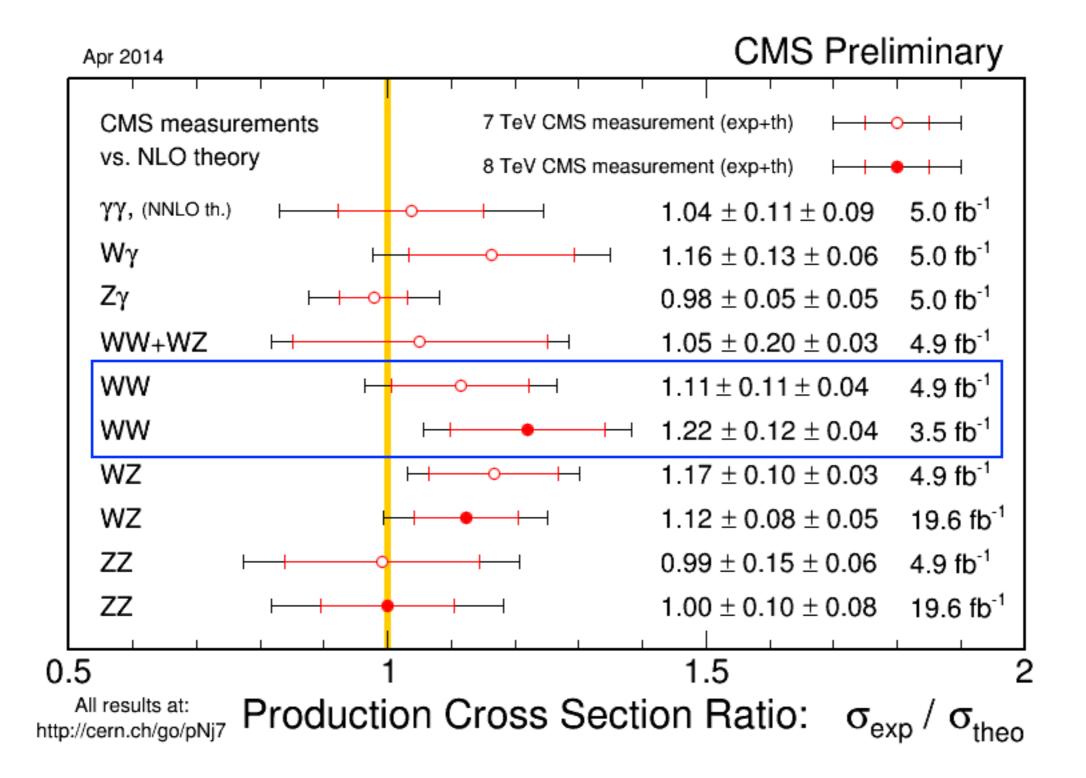
### Theory Prediction



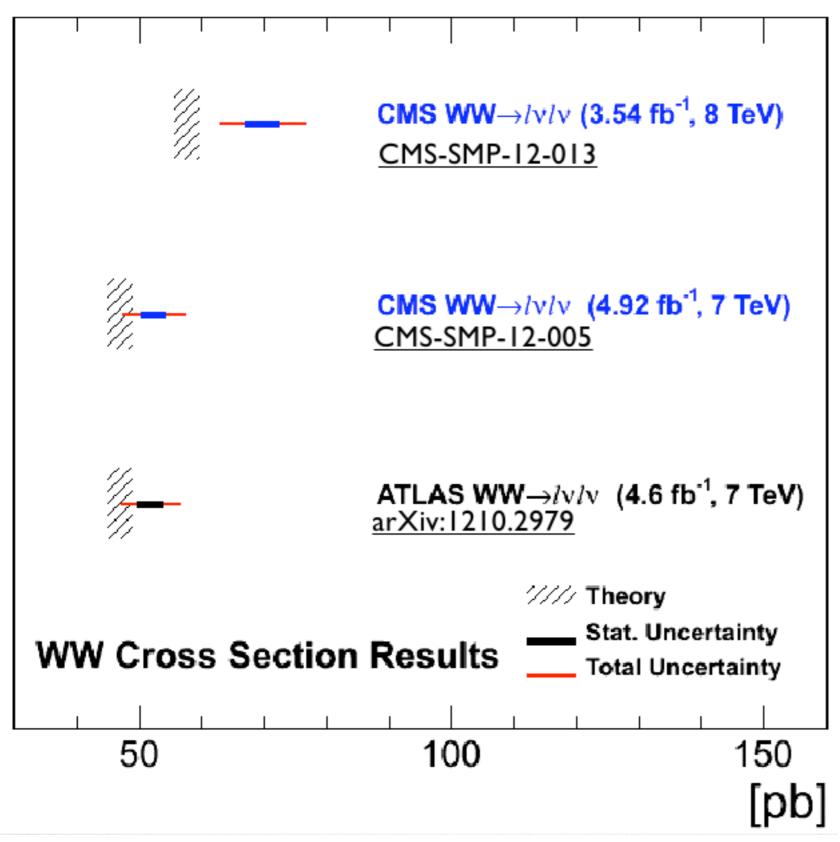
- ullet NLO(QCD) qar q o WW known. (MCFM)
- use Powheg/MC@NLO for MC generation. or Madgraph(LO) +reweighting
- TeV:29.51pb@LO → 47.00pb@NLO
- 8TeV:35.56pb@LO  $\rightarrow$  57.25pb@NLO
- @NNLO new process gg—\( \mathcal{W} \)W
   (gg2WW software)

## Experimental Results

#### Summary-CMS



#### WW @ LHC



- ATLAS & CMS more consistent with each other than with theory!
- Discrepancy higher @ 8TeV

#### WW excess from published Higgs Background

#### Control Region estimates at 8TeV-ATLAS

Estimate	$N_{ m obs}$	$N_{ m bkg}$	$N_{ m sig}$	$N_{WW}$
$\overline{WW}$				
$N_{\rm jet} = 0$	2224	$1970 \pm 17$	$31 \pm 0.7$	$1383 \pm 9.3$
$N_{\rm jet} = 1$	1897	$1893 \pm 17$	$1.9 \pm 0.3$	$752 \pm 6.8$

## Possible Explanation for Excess

- Badly Estimated Backgrounds?
- New Physics? Possible BSM solutions; Charginos
- Statistical Fluctuation?
- QCD changes to Total Cross Section
- QCD changes to Shape

Why should shape matter?
Let us look at how ATLAS & CMS measure a cross section

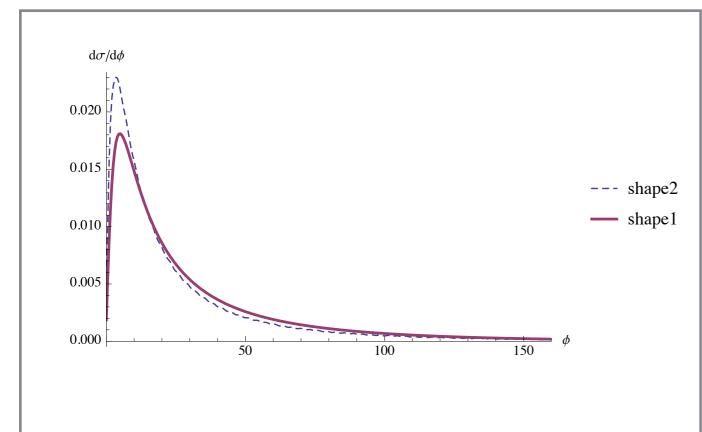
#### How ATLAS and CMS measure Cross-Section

$$n = \sigma_{fid}L + n_{BG}$$
$$\sigma_{fid} = \sigma_{total}\epsilon.A.Br$$

- for WW: opposite sign lepton pair + met
- n:events measured & L:luminosity.
- $\sigma_{total}$ :total cross section
- $ullet \sigma_{fid}$  is unfolded w.r.t $\epsilon$ ,A,Br to report  $\sigma_{total}$  .
- This procedure is hard

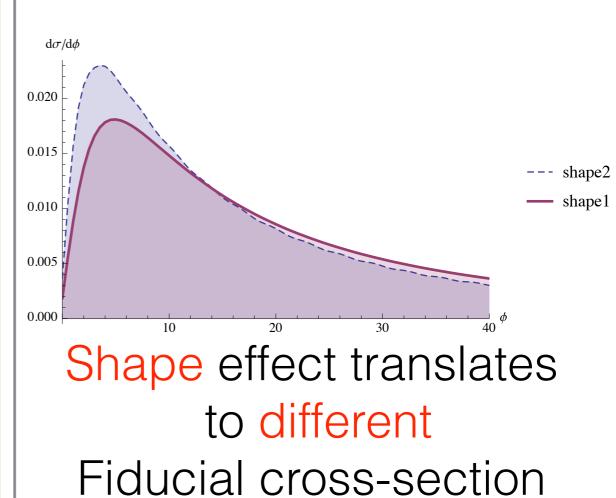
#### Total → Fiducial → Total

• Sometimes  $\sigma_{fid}$  very sensitive to a differential direction of  $\sigma_{total}$ 



Full Phase-space.
Both curves Normalized to unity.

- Slightly incorrect shape
- Innacurate  $\sigma_{fid}$ ;
- wrong unfolding;
- bad estimate of  $\sigma_{total}$ ?



#### Our Strategy

- $p_T$  resummation changes shape along  $p_{TWW}$
- If some of the cuts have strong correlations with  $p_{TWW}$ , then
- These corrections could change  $\sigma_{fid}$  .
- Do such cuts exist? If so in which direction do they shift  $\sigma_{fid}$ ?

#### Spirit Of Resummation

Often in Perturbative QCD,

$$\hat{O}=1+\alpha_S(L^2+L+1)+\alpha_S^2(L^4+L^3+L^2+L+1)+\dots$$
 where L is Log[r] , r the ratio of two length scales.

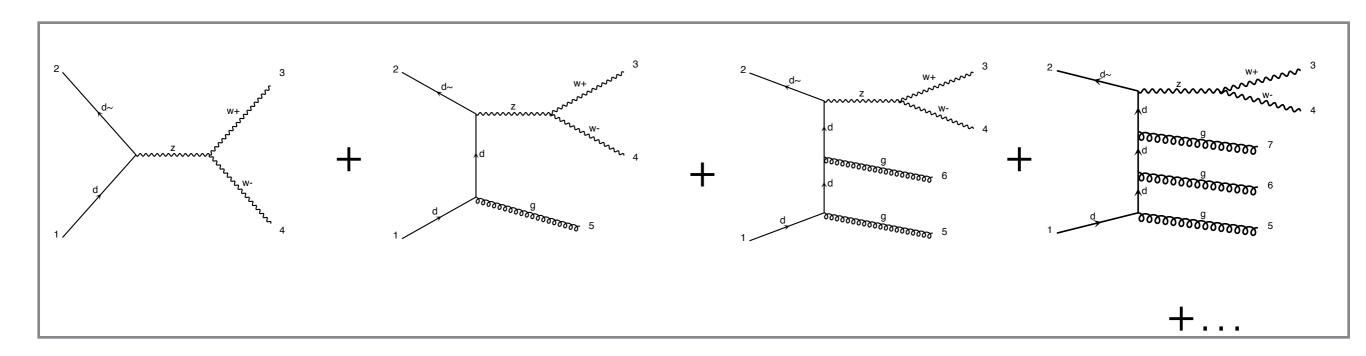
Resummation: This can be re-written as

$$\hat{O} = c(\alpha_S) exp(Lg_1(\alpha_S L) + g_2(\alpha_S L) + \alpha_S g_3(\alpha_S L) + ...)$$

where c is Log-free

- · Large logs that destroy fixed order PT are resummed to all orders and found to give finite contribution
- $Lg_1$  is called leading log (LL), (  $Lg_1+g_2$  ) is called NLL and so on
- common to declare results with  $N^{n+1}LL$  (in the exponential) along with  $N^nLO$  (concerns)
- new scale  $\mu_{res}$  to capture as yet uncomputed higher Logs

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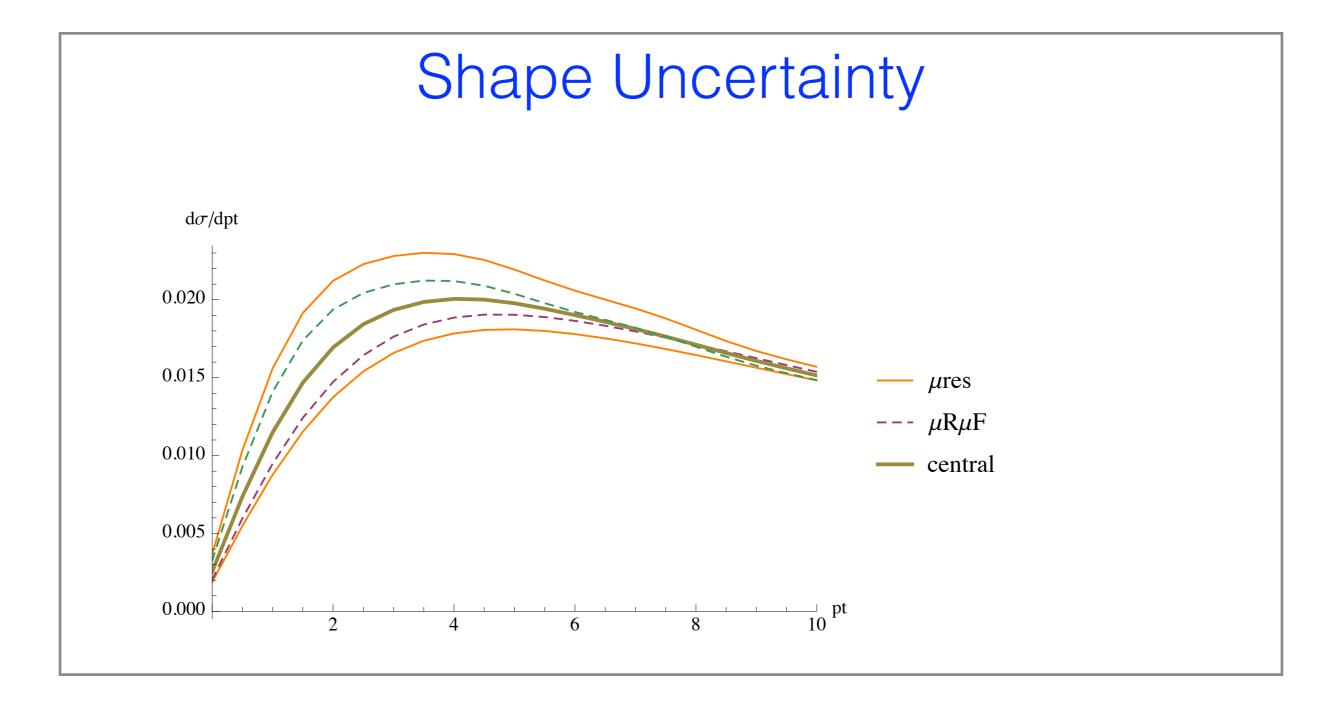


#### Resummation vs Parton Shower

Resummation	Parton Shower	
Proved to all orders in QCD~ factorization theorems	Heuristic Algorithm	
Extended to any leading log(currently NNLL)	Approaches NLL accuracy	
Precise and strict, few parameters to adjust	Many parameters tuned to fit data	
Systematic Treatment of error estimates from higher logs	No such feature	
Sums over hadronization	Can give jet information	

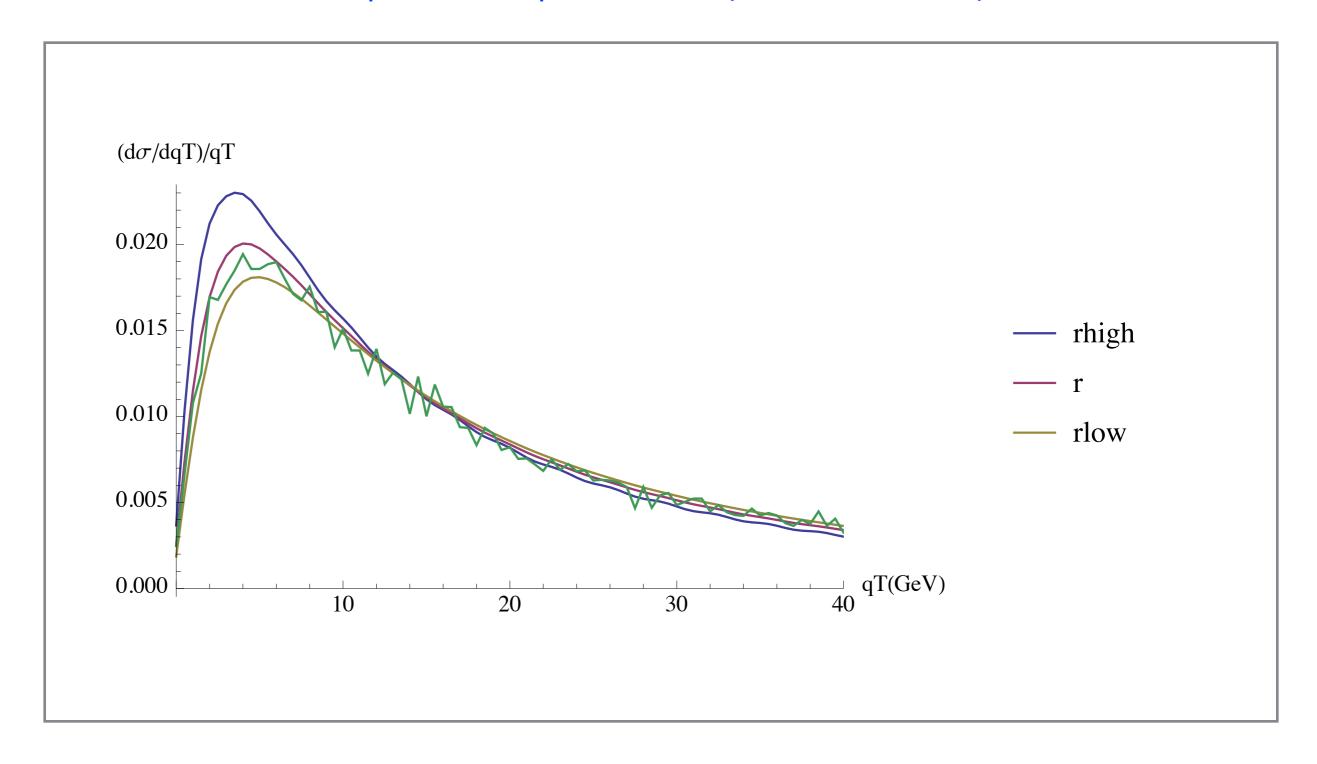
#### Building on Existing Literature

- WW pt resummation for 14TeV LHC Grazzini et al although with a numerical estimate for factor  $A_3$  subsequently by Becher et al.
- SCET formalism-Wang et al- no Resummation Scale considered.
- Recoded Grazzini Formalism with correct numerical factor for all s & studied  $\mu_{res}$  variation.
- Propose using an MC to generate events; Reweighting to get the resummation predicted pt shape.
- Analogous practice is already followed using resummation tool HqT(Grazzini) for pp→H analysis.

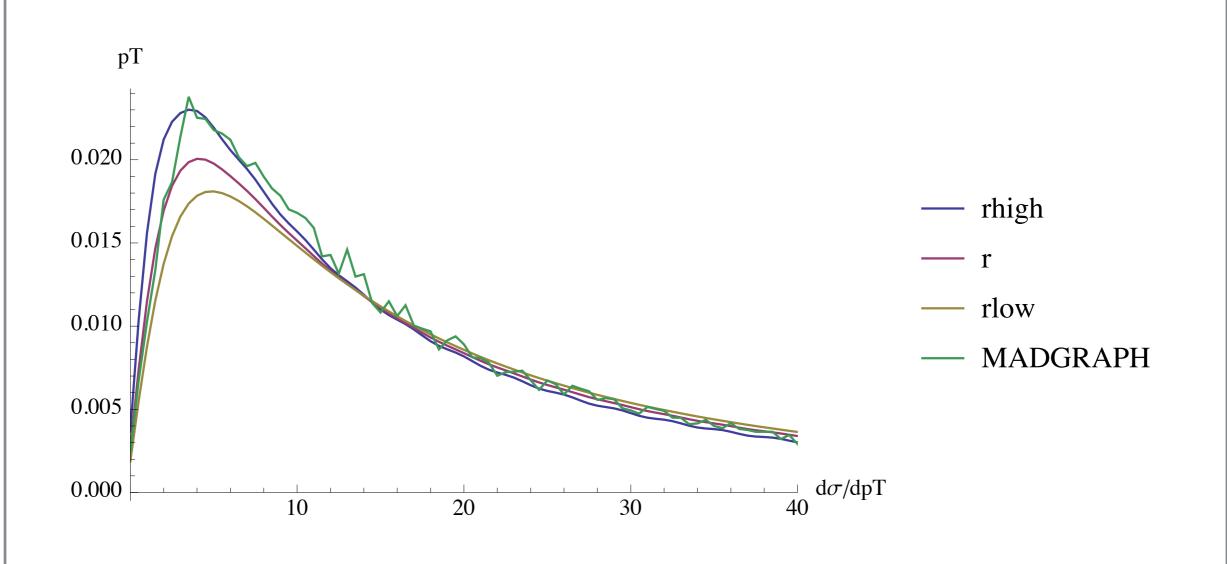


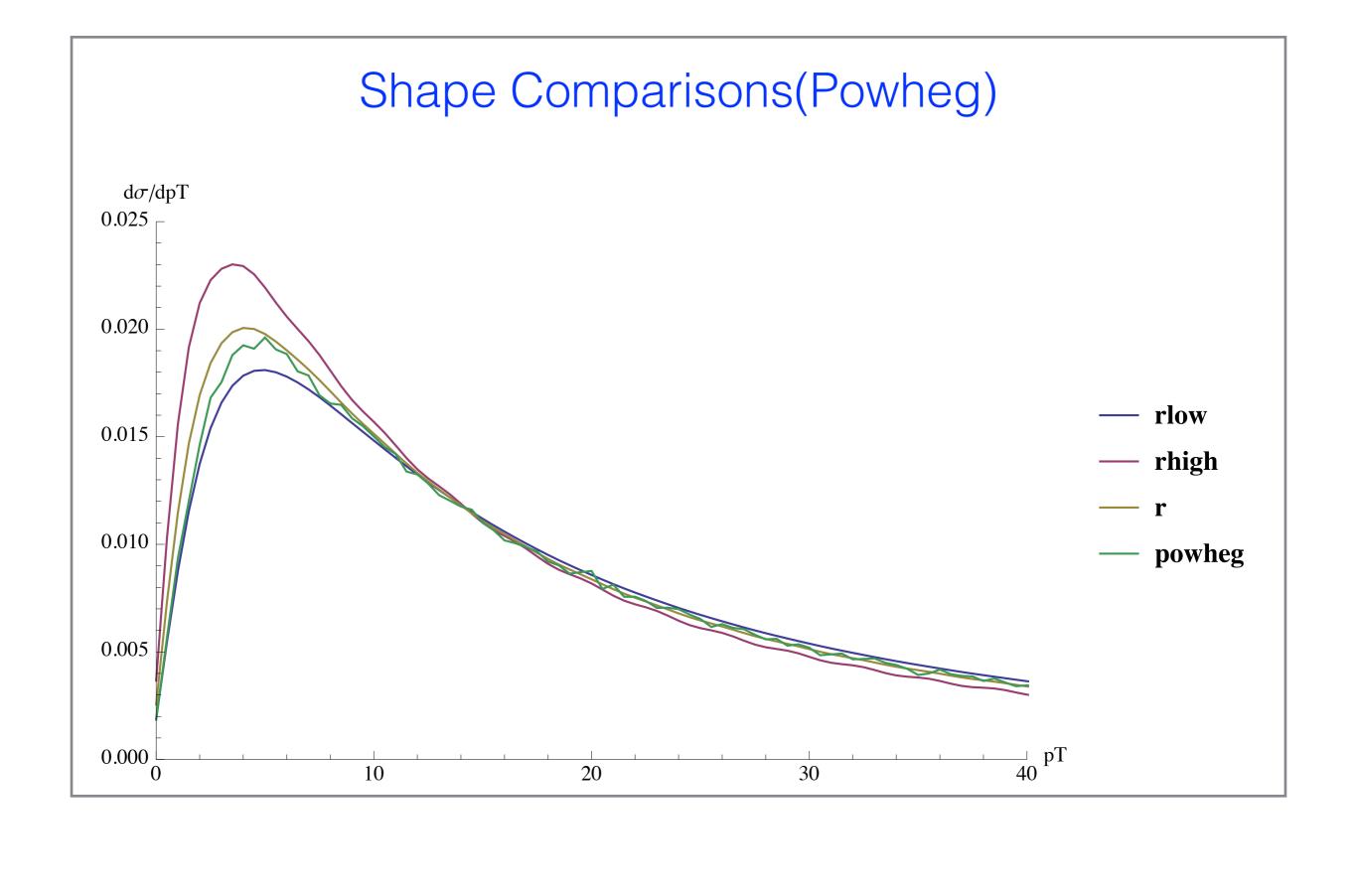
Shape Uncertainty due to  $\mu_{res}$  more than  $\mu_R$  &  $\mu_F$  combined

#### Shape Comparisons(aMC@NLO)



#### Shape Comparisons(MADGRAPH)





#### Cut-flow vs reweighted events

Cut	%	
exactly 1 pair of oppositely charged leptons +MET	0	
$p_t$ and $\eta$ cuts on leptons	0.06%	
mll cuts	-0.32%	
$E_{TMiss,rel}$	1.16%	
Jet Veto	8.37%	
$p_{Tll}$	8.50%	

#### Zooming in on Jet Veto

- Jet Veto: Jet = clustered object with R < 0.4 and  $p_T$  > 25GeV.
- Drop all events with one or more jets.
- clustered object's  $p_T$  highly correlated with  $p_{TWW}$
- Jet Veto step:biggest contributor to correction in  $\sigma_{fid}$

	0-jet	1-jet	2-jet
amc@nlo	3517	1175	340
after reweighting	3811.32	1009.76	280.44
		Drop!	

### Reweighted Fiducial Cross-Section

MC	Percentage Increase Q=mW/2	Percentage Increase Q=mW	Percentage Increase Q=2mW
Powheg+Pythia	-5.35%	0.16	4.05
aMC@NLO +Herwig	-0.82	2.98	8.50
Madgraph +Pythia	-8.88	-5.94	-1.13

Note:Q= $\mu_{res}$ 

#### **Deductions**

- Traditional MC-shower calculations; no resummation scale
- Reweighting could increase error bars on  $\sigma_{fid}$
- This effect is unique to channels with a Jet-Veto because of the veto being strongly correlated with  $p_{TWW}$ .
- MC@NLO(ATLAS 7TeV)increase theory prediction by 0-9%(reduce excess)
- MADGRAPH(CMS 7&8TeV)decrease theory prediction by 1-9%(increase excess)
- Powheg seems to be accurate. Scale Variation:3%

#### What is the best Scale Choice?

#### Two ways to go about this

- Scale choice should be universal and physical
- Universality: Cannot be much different than for other diboson processes
- Physical: shouldn't be too different from the hard scale
- Using Data to fit scale:

Will result in scale much higher than even hard scale.

Matching NLL and NNLL shape:

Will result in scale much lower than the hard scale.

## Summary

- Precision in pt shape important? Turn to Resummation
- WW:Jet Veto:low Pt preferred
- Resummation produces sizeable effects to theory prediction
- It might not be viable to dial the extra resummation scale choice to fit data better.