

# Theoretical results for electroweak boson and single-top production

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- Higher-order corrections
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- Single-top  $p_T$  distributions
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## Higher-order corrections

Soft-gluon corrections are important for electroweak-boson and single-top production

Soft terms:

$$\left[ \frac{\ln^k(s_4/p_T^2)}{s_4} \right]_+ \text{ for electroweak-boson production}$$
$$\left[ \frac{\ln^k(s_4/m_t^2)}{s_4} \right]_+ \text{ for single-top production}$$

with  $k \leq 2n - 1$ ,  $s_4$  distance from threshold

Resum these soft corrections - factorization and RGE

NNLL accuracy—two-loop soft anomalous dimensions

Approximate NNLO (aN<sup>n</sup>NLO) differential cross sections from expansion of resummed expressions

Calculation is for the double differential cross section near partonic threshold using the standard moment-space resummation in pQCD

## ***W* and *Z* production at large $p_T$ - parton processes**

*W* and *Z* hadroproduction useful in testing the SM and in estimates of backgrounds to Higgs production and new physics (new gauge bosons)

$p_T$  distribution falls rapidly as  $p_T$  increases

### **Partonic channels at LO**

$$q(p_a) + g(p_b) \longrightarrow W(Q) + q(p_c)$$

$$q(p_a) + \bar{q}(p_b) \longrightarrow W(Q) + g(p_c)$$

**Define**  $s = (p_a + p_b)^2$ ,  $t = (p_a - Q)^2$ ,  $u = (p_b - Q)^2$  **and**  $s_4 = s + t + u - Q^2$

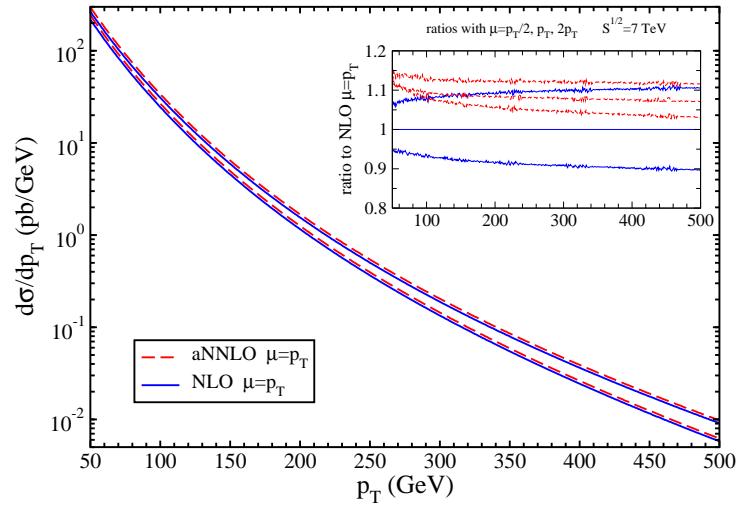
**At threshold**  $s_4 \rightarrow 0$  **Soft corrections**  $\left[ \frac{\ln^k(s_4/p_T^2)}{s_4} \right]_+$

**Latest aNNLO results at NNLL accuracy:**

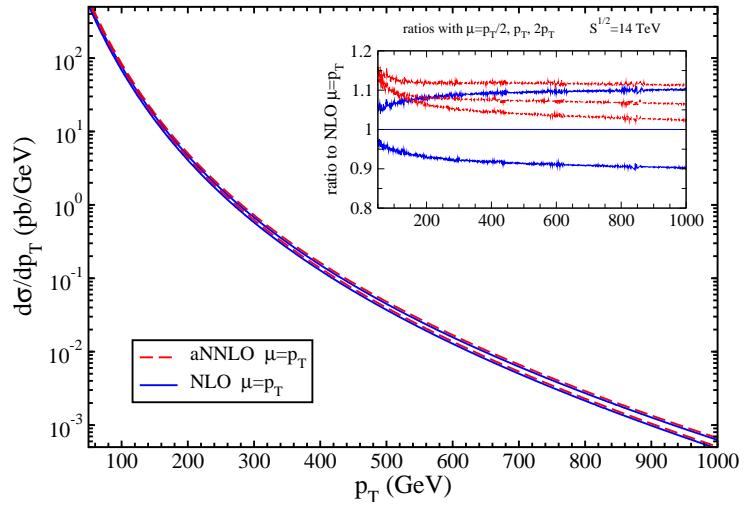
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## W production at large $p_T$

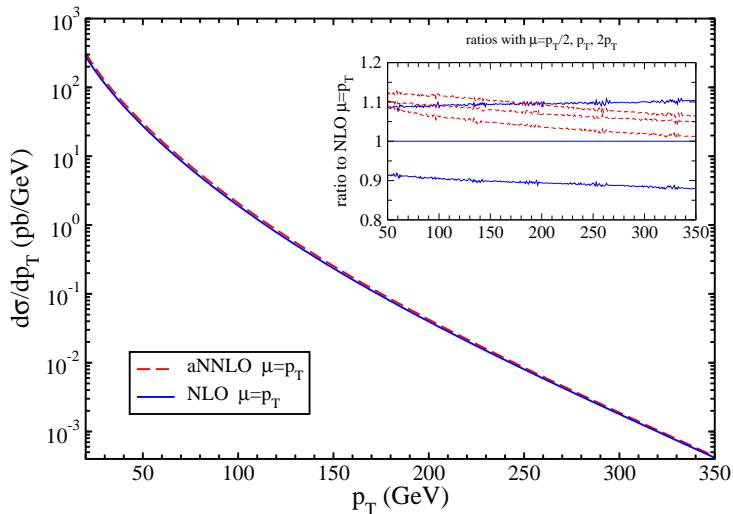
W-boson  $p_T$  distribution at the LHC     $S^{1/2}=7$  and 8 TeV



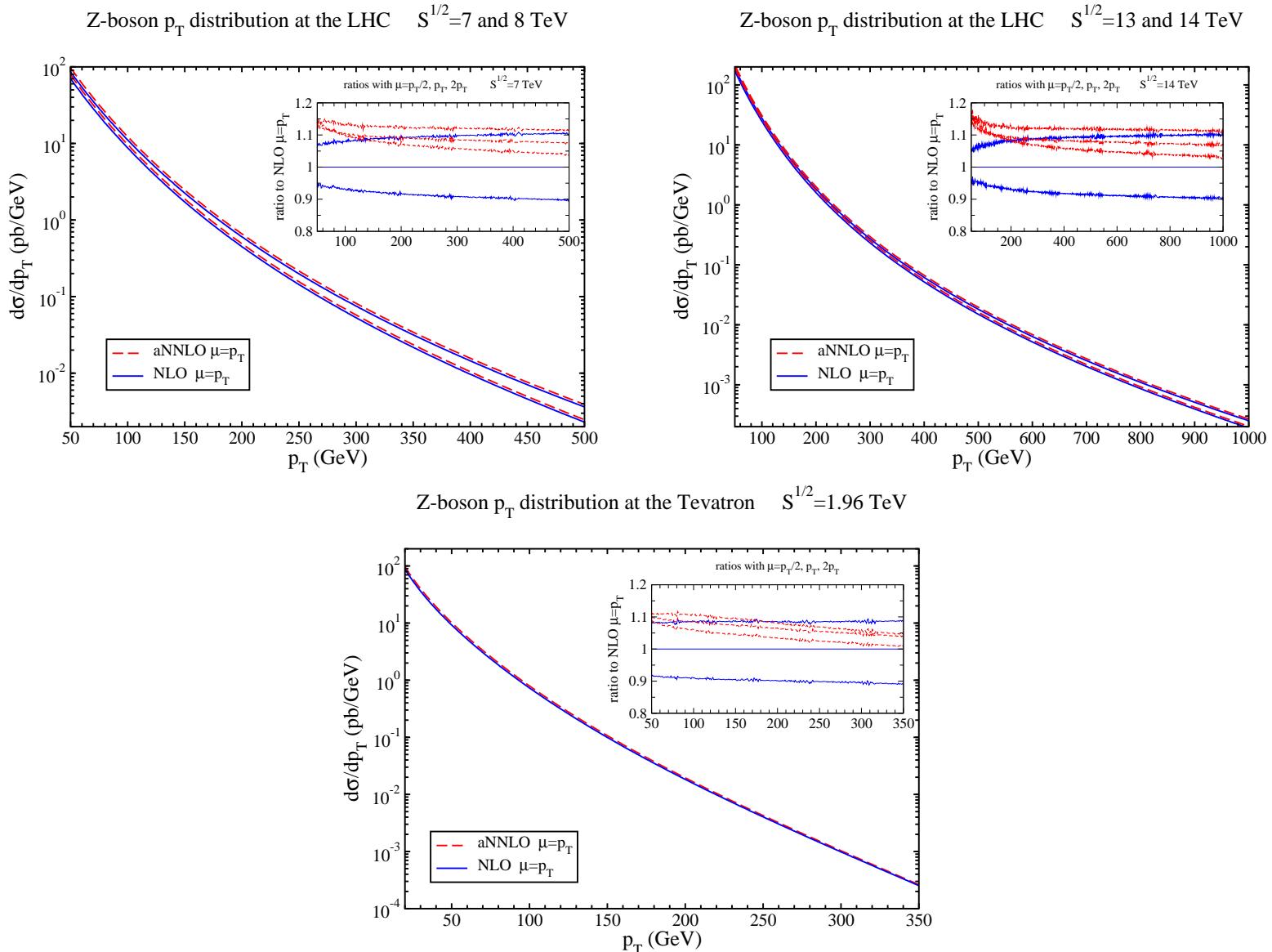
W-boson  $p_T$  distribution at the LHC     $S^{1/2}=13$  and 14 TeV



W-boson  $p_T$  distribution at the Tevatron     $S^{1/2}=1.96$  TeV

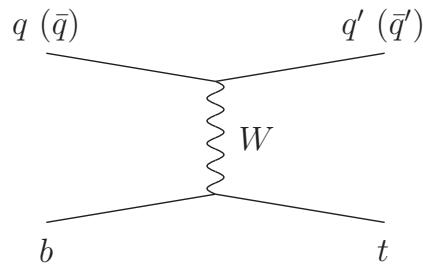


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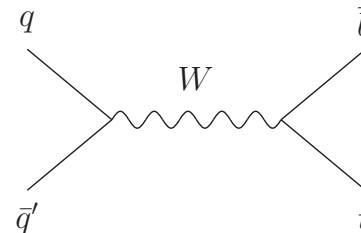


## Single-top partonic processes at LO

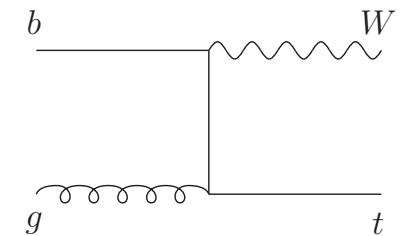
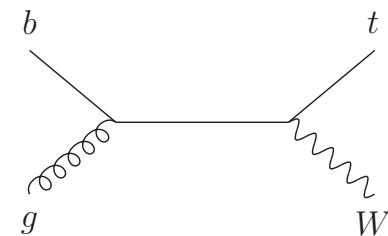
- **$t$  channel:**  $qb \rightarrow q't$  and  $\bar{q}b \rightarrow \bar{q}'t$   
dominant at Tevatron and LHC



- **$s$  channel:**  $q\bar{q}' \rightarrow \bar{b}t$   
small at Tevatron and LHC



- **associated  $tW$  production:**  $bg \rightarrow tW^-$   
very small at Tevatron, significant at LHC



## Single top $t$ -channel production at aNNLO at the LHC

LHC	$t$	$\bar{t}$	Total (pb)
8 TeV	$55.9^{+2.1}_{-0.3} \pm 1.1$	$30.6 \pm 0.7^{+0.9}_{-1.1}$	$86.5^{+2.8+2.0}_{-1.0-2.2}$
13 TeV	$136^{+3}_{-1} \pm 3$	$82^{+2}_{-1} \pm 2$	$218^{+5}_{-2} \pm 5$
14 TeV	$154^{+4}_{-1} \pm 3$	$94^{+2+2}_{-1-3}$	$248^{+6+5}_{-2-6}$

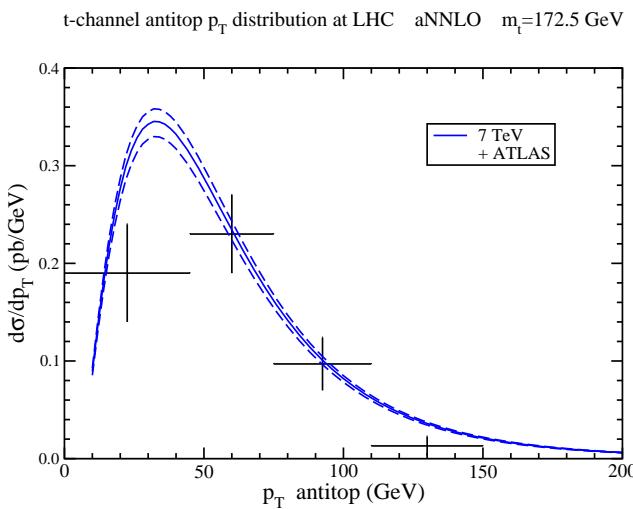
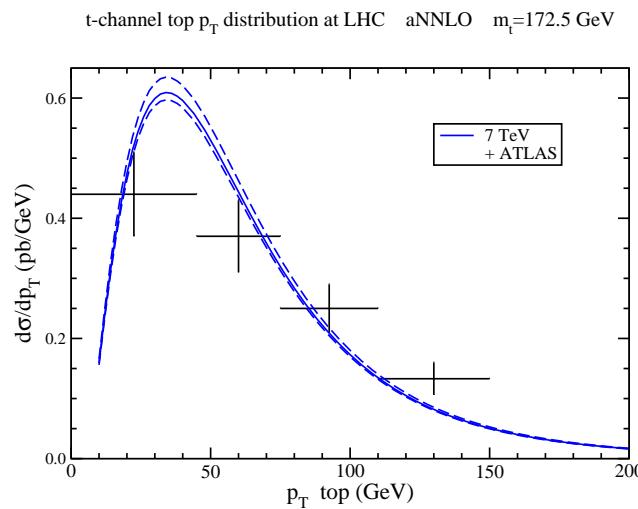
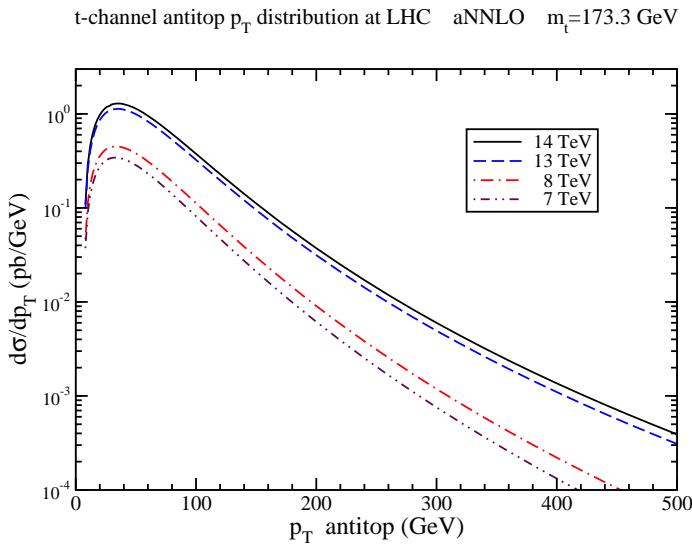
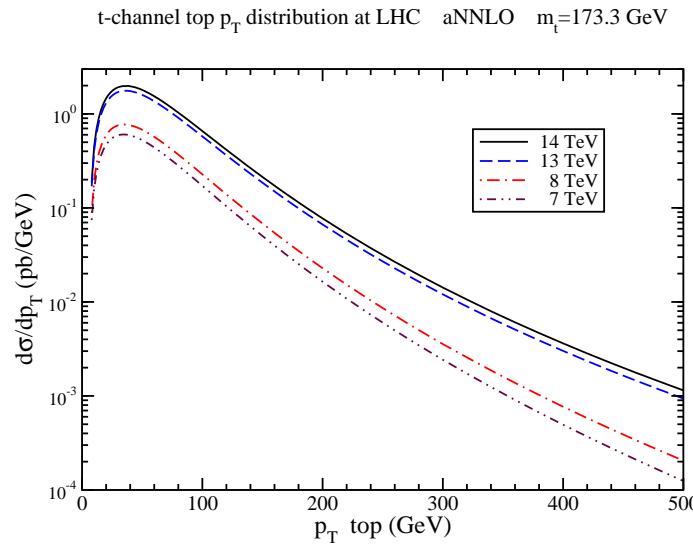
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ratio  $\sigma(t)/\sigma(\bar{t}) = 1.82^{+0.10}_{-0.09}$  at 8 TeV

- compares well with CMS result  $1.95 \pm 0.10 \pm 0.19$

agrees with NNLO result in 1404.7116 [hep-ph]

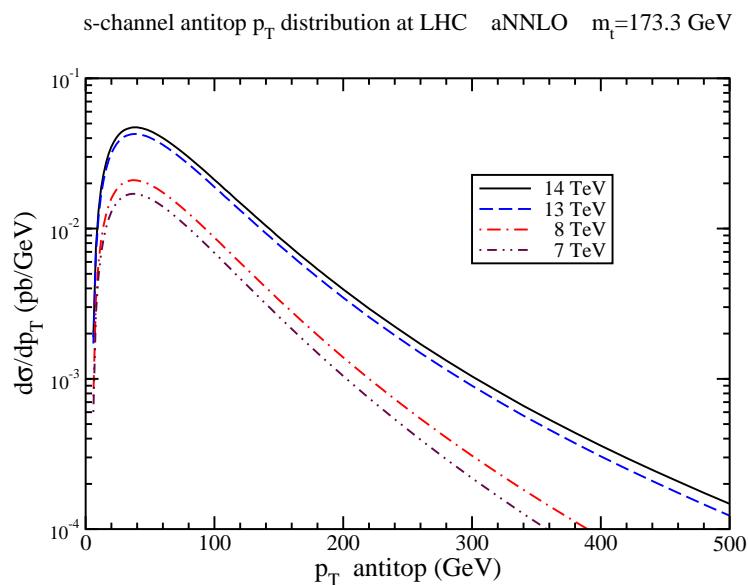
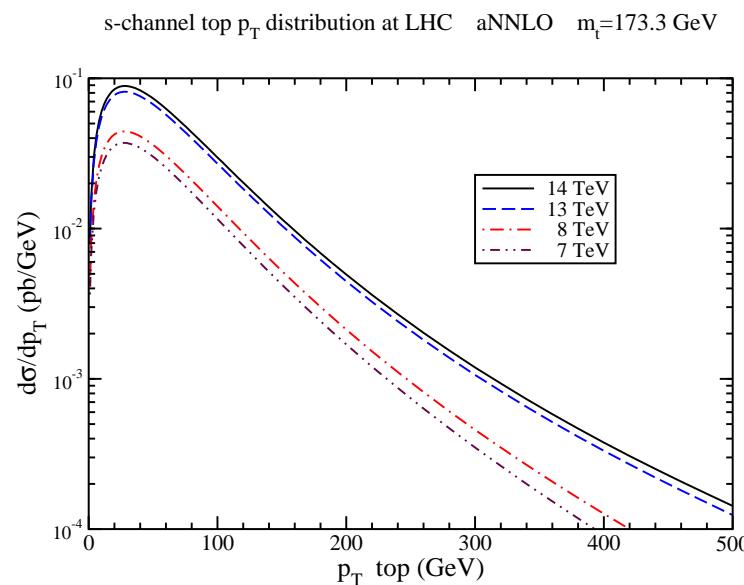
# Single top $t$ -channel aNNLO $p_T$ distributions at the LHC



## Single top $s$ -channel production at aNNLO at the LHC

LHC	$t$	$\bar{t}$	Total (pb)
8 TeV	$3.75 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.13$	$1.90 \pm 0.01 \pm 0.08$	$5.65 \pm 0.08 \pm 0.21$
13 TeV	$7.07 \pm 0.13^{+0.24}_{-0.22}$	$4.10 \pm 0.05^{+0.14}_{-0.16}$	$11.17 \pm 0.18 \pm 0.38$
14 TeV	$7.79 \pm 0.14^{+0.31}_{-0.24}$	$4.57 \pm 0.05^{+0.18}_{-0.17}$	$12.35 \pm 0.19^{+0.49}_{-0.41}$

$(m_t = 173.3 \text{ GeV}) \quad \pm \text{scale} \pm \text{pdf errors with MSTW2008 NNLO pdf 90\% CL}$



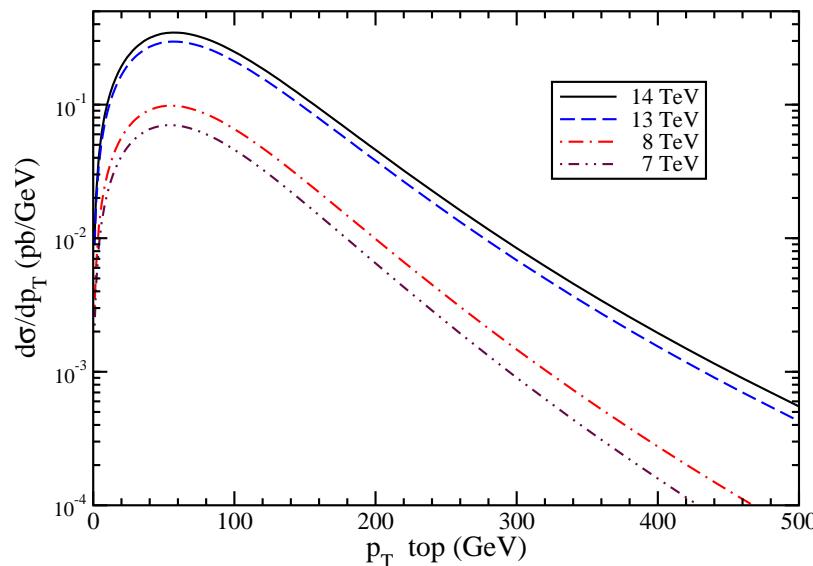
## Associated $tW^-$ production at aNNLO at the LHC

LHC	$tW^-$	$tW^- + \bar{t}W^+$ (pb)
8 TeV	$11.0 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.7$	$22.0 \pm 0.6 \pm 1.4$
13 TeV	$35.20 \pm 0.9^{+1.6}_{-1.7}$	$70.40 \pm 1.8^{+3.2}_{-3.4}$
14 TeV	$41.6 \pm 1.0^{+1.5}_{-2.3}$	$83.1 \pm 2.0^{+3.1}_{-4.6}$

$m_t = 173.3$  GeV

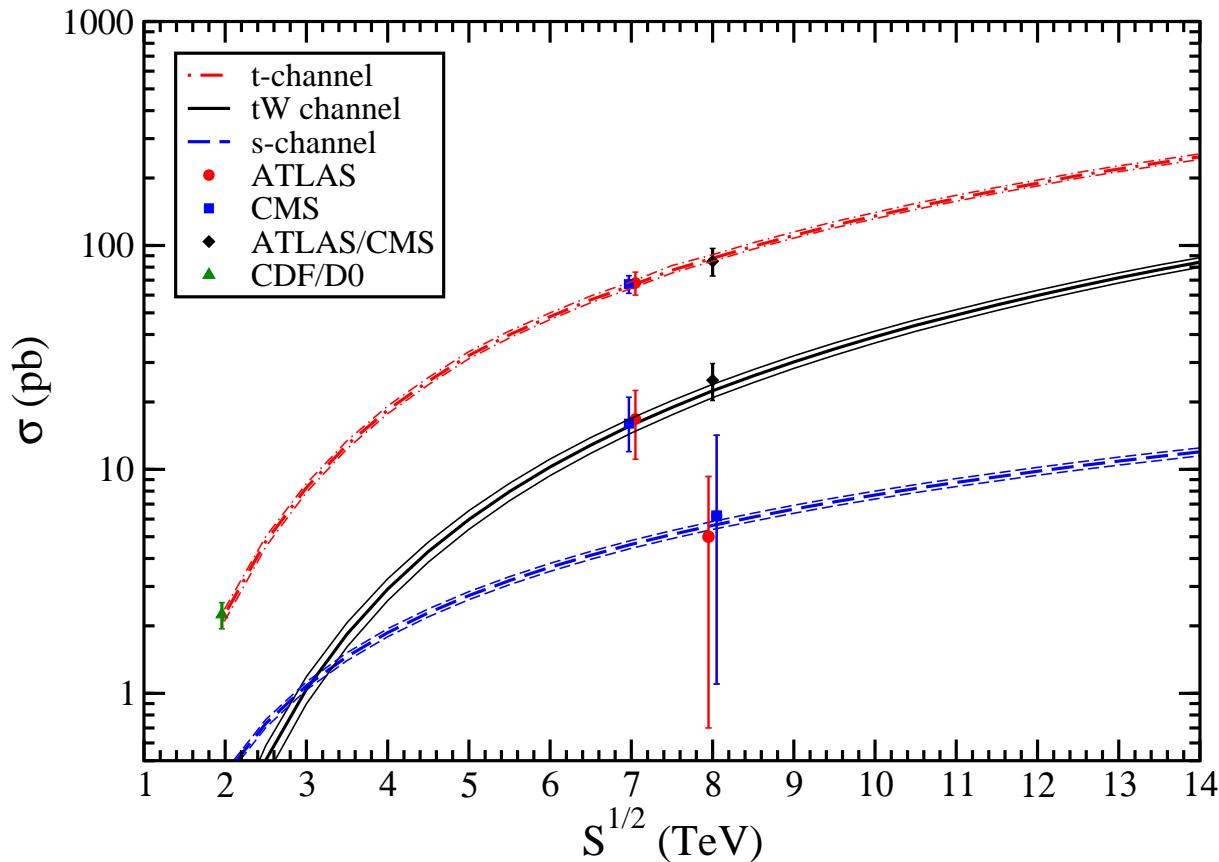
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Top  $p_T$  distribution in  $tW^-$  production at LHC aNNLO  $m_t=173.3$  GeV



## Single-top cross sections

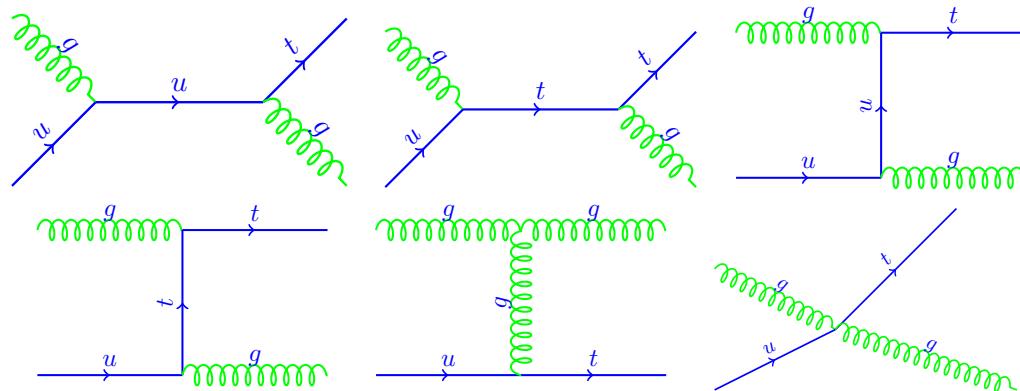
aNNLO single-top cross sections +-scale&pdf  $m_t=172.5$  GeV



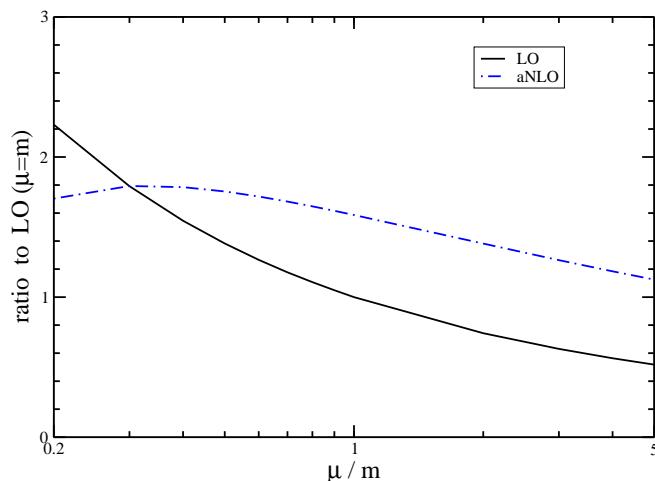
Excellent agreement of theory with data for all three channels

## FCNC top production

### anomalous gluon couplings



$gu \rightarrow tg$  at the LHC  $S^{1/2} = 7 \text{ TeV}$



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## Summary

- NNLL soft-gluon corrections for electroweak-boson and single-top production
- total cross sections
- top quark  $p_T$  distributions
- aNNLO corrections are significant at the LHC and the Tevatron
- excellent agreement with LHC and Tevatron data
- future work on more differential distributions and aN<sup>3</sup>LO