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# QCD IN HIGGS PHYSICS

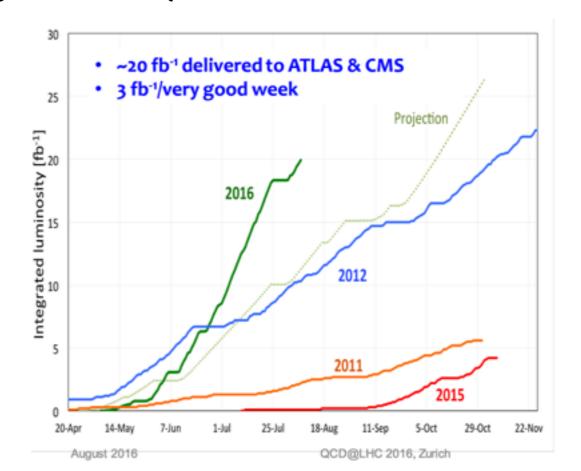




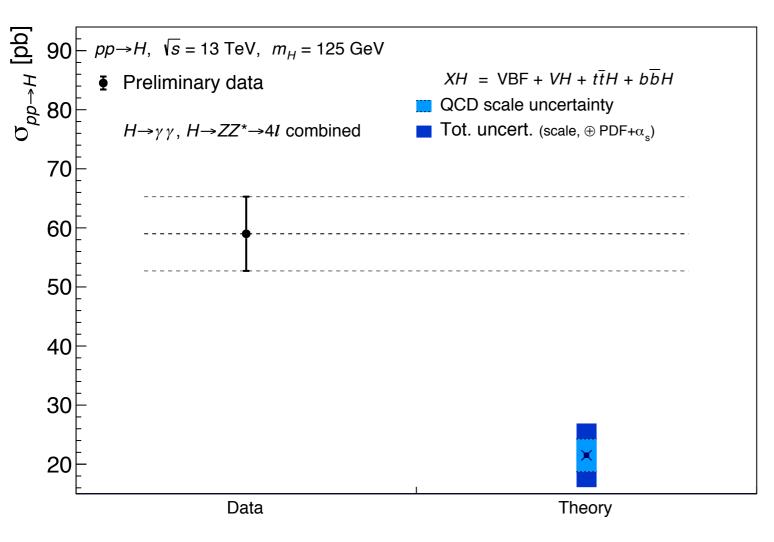
- 4th of July 2012: The begin of the precision physics age of Higgs boson phenomenology
- Immediately after the discovery of the Higgs boson we started to ask questions about it's nature:
  - Couplings, spin, parity, mass, cross sections ...



- The basis for testing our understanding of nature is on the one side precise measurements that are sensitive to the Higgs boson properties.
- LHC provides the input!Run 2: Data, data, data

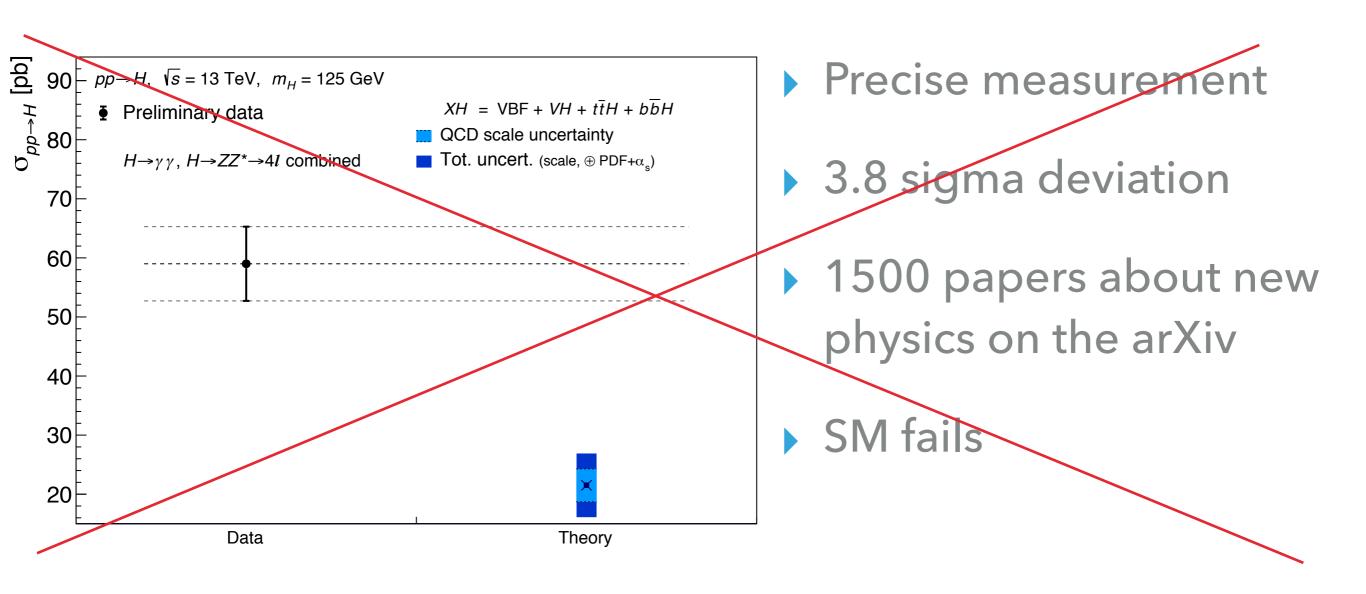


## **COMPARE DATA TO PREDICTION**



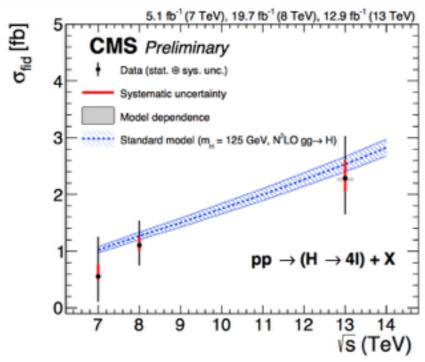
- Precise measurement
- 3.8 sigma deviation
- 1500 papers about new physics on the arXiv
- SM fails

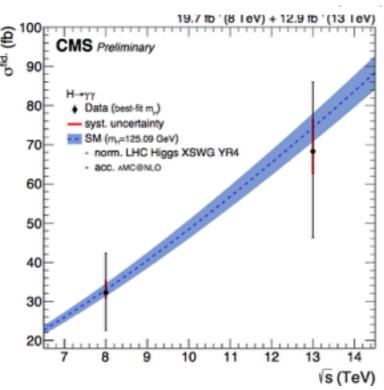
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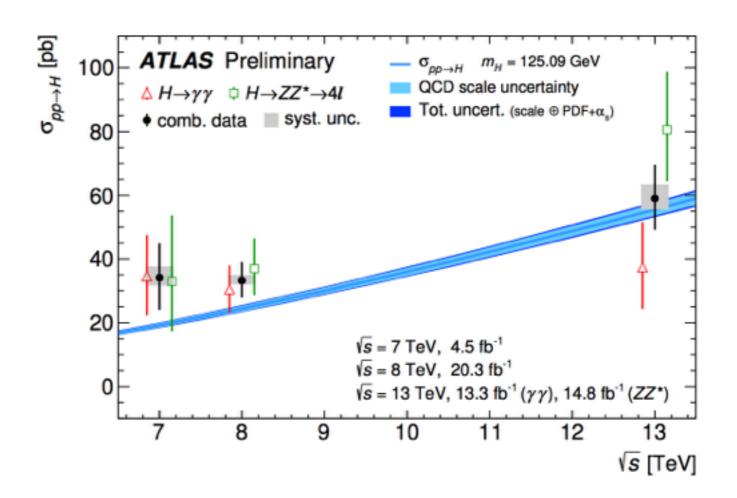


## THIS IS WHY WE NEED CORRECTIONS

#### WHAT ACTUALLY HAPPENED







- Incredible agreement of data and theory
- Triumph of SM predictions
- Higgs production~10 sigma observed

- Testing our understanding of nature is dependent on being able to falsify our descriptions by comparing to experiment
- Our ability to predict collider experiment outcome is largely based on

$$d\sigma \sim \int dx dy f(x) f(y) d\hat{\sigma} \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{O}} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\Lambda}{Q}\right)$$

- Factorisation allows predictions to % level precision Challenge to improve!
- Experimental systemics will allow us to measure cross sections to an accuracy of a few percent!

#### MANY INTERESTING THINGS

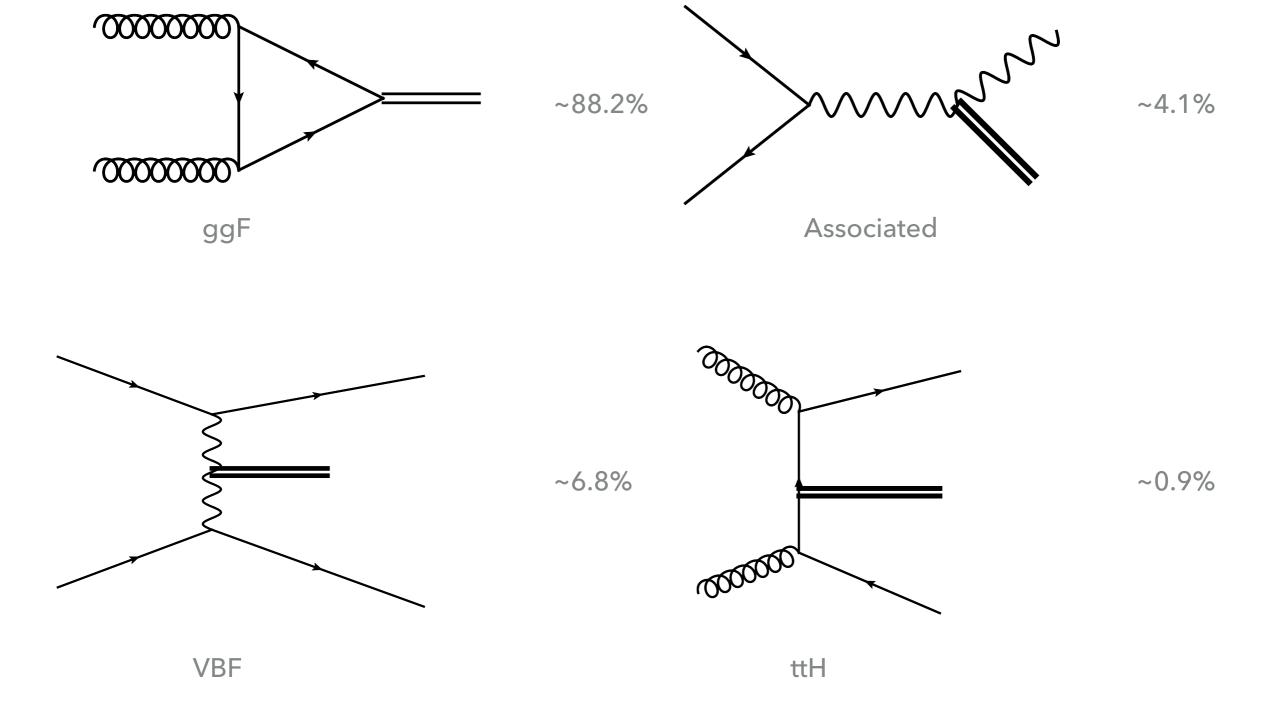
- Background predictions / Interference See Lorenzo's & Marius' talk
- Resummation in Higgs physics
  See Pier's, Thomas' & Marco's talk
- Double Higgs production [Borowka, Greiner, Heinrich, Jones, Kerner, Schlenk, Schubert, Zirke]

Fantastic numerical approach!

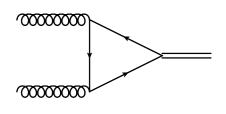
See Stephen's & Jonas' talk

 I will talk about some selected topics regarding Higgs boson signal processes

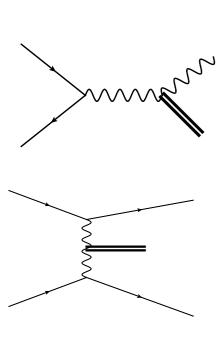
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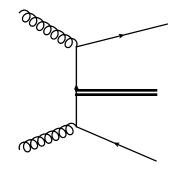






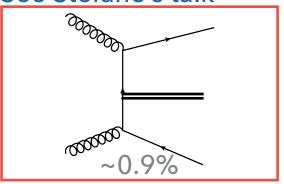
- Experimentally accessible due to significantly different contributions to observable signatures
- Despite small contributions to production cross section

Precision in Demand for all of them



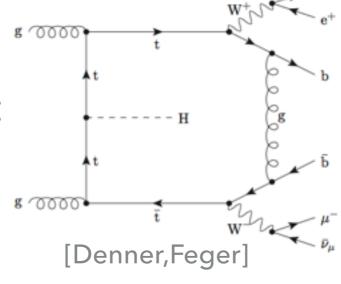
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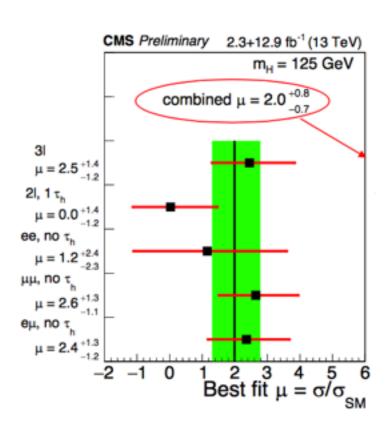
#### See Stefano's talk



- lacksquare Direct measurement of  $Y_t$
- Complex final state
- Pushing the boundaries of NLO to the limits
- Automation at NLO requires deep understanding!

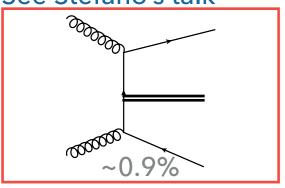
Example signal:



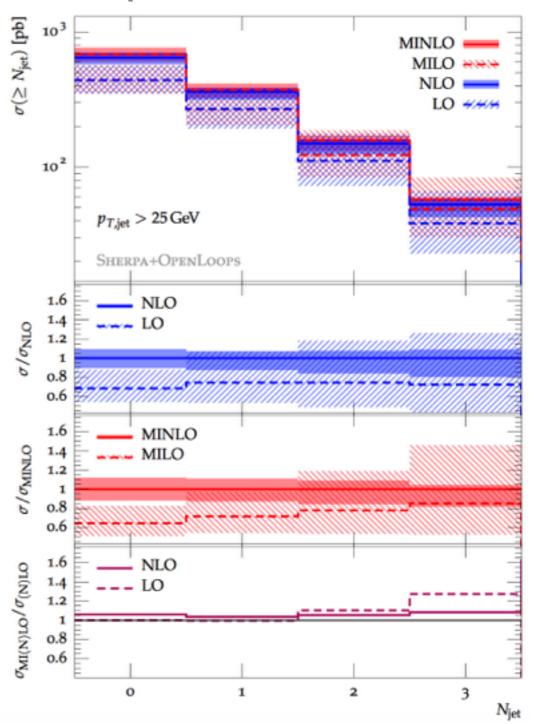


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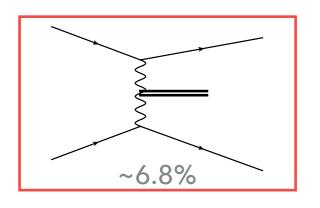
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- Interference effects, tH production
- Electro weakcorrections
- Off-Shell effects
- Backgrounds
   large source of uncertainty
   Example: tt+3 Jets [Moretti, et al.]

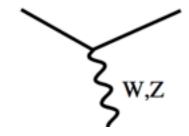


#### **VECTOR BOSON FUSION**



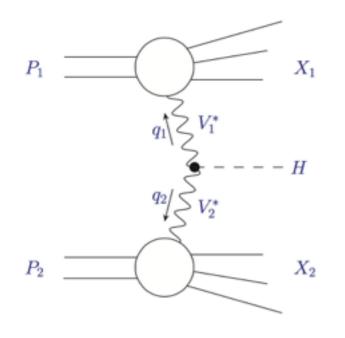
Complicated 2 -> 3 process already at Born level!

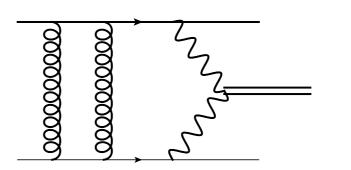
▶ The way out: Think of it as DIS^2



- Computation of DIS structure functions
   possible to N3LO accuracy
   [Moch, Vogt, Vermaseren]
- Sew together structure functions to produce a high loop level cross section

#### **VECTOR BOSON FUSION: STRUCTURE FUNCTION APPROACH**

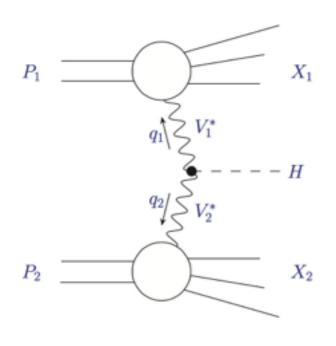




 $\frac{\alpha_s^2}{n_c^2}$ 

- Color-suppressed!
- Inclusive NNLO cross section in the structure function approach in 2012 [Bolzoni, Maltoni, Moch, Zaro]
- Possible corrections estimated to be < 1%</p>
- Perturbative corrections small

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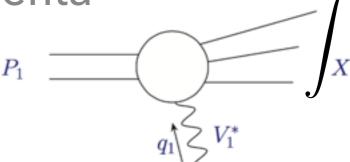


- But: True power of VBF lies in the possibility to distinguish the production mode by tagging very forward jet configurations
- Select events with at least two jets with large rapidity separation

$$\Delta_{y_1 y_2} \sim 4.5$$

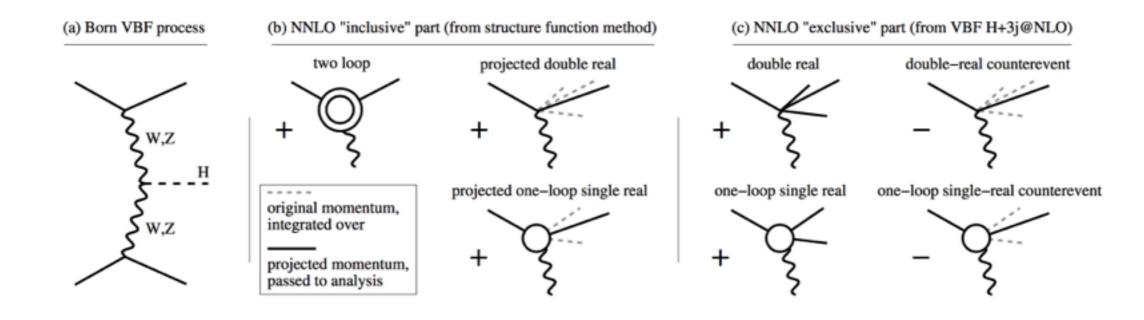
 Problem: Structure functions computed integrated over final state parton momenta

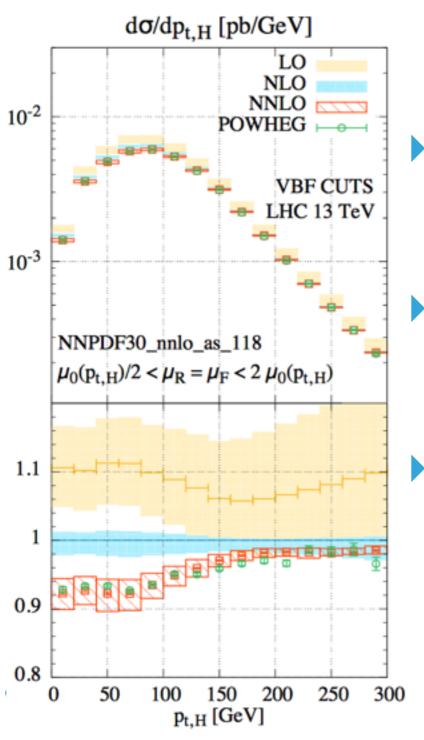
Inherently non differential!



[Cacciari, Dreyer, Karlberg, Salam, Zanderighi]

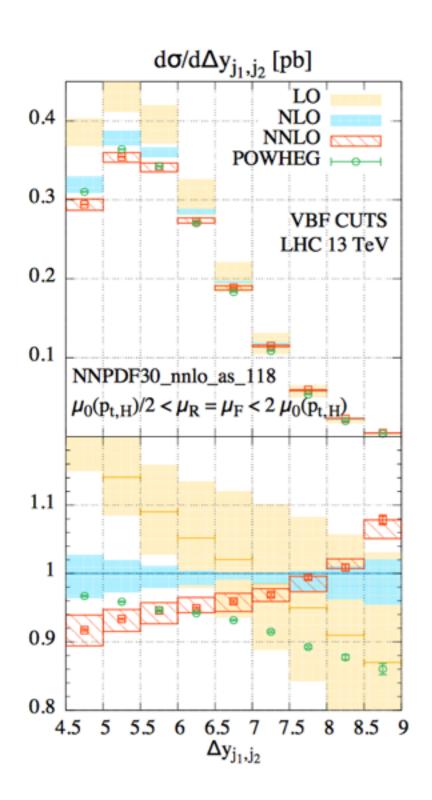
- New method to perform fully differential QCD computation
- Clever combination of NLO computation [POWHEG] and inclusive NNLO cross section
- Get everything with resolved +J kinematics from NLO + unresolved kinematics from combining inclusive and "unresolved" NLO





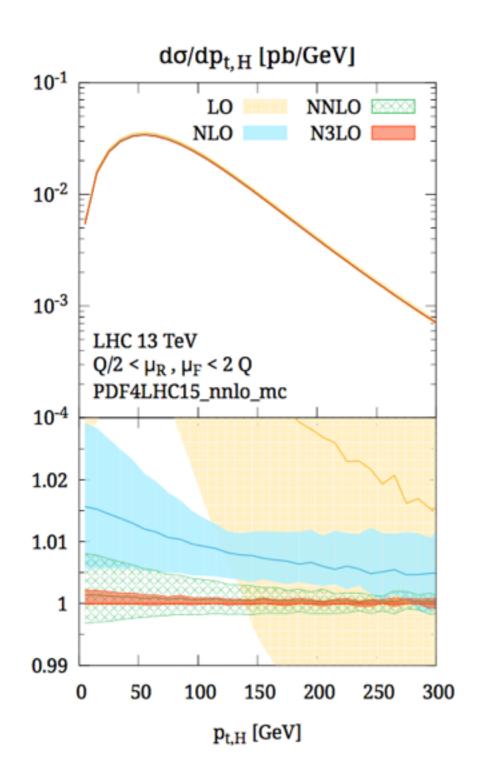
[Cacciari, Dreyer, Karlberg, Salam, Zanderighi]

- Sizable (~10 %) corrections for fiducial cross sections / distributions at NNLO
- Significant reduction in perturbative uncertainties
- pT Higgs distribution shows agreement with NLOPS



[Cacciari, Dreyer, Karlberg, Salam, Zanderighi]

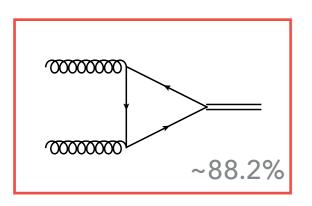
- Other observables show sizable corrections beyond NLOPS
- Convergence of perturbative series?
  Uncertainty estimates?
- Extension of P2B Framework to N3LO for VBF?



[Dreyer,Karlberg]

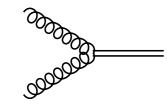
- Inclusive VBF at N3LO in structure function approach
- Remaining Scale uncertainty1.4 ‰
- Perturbative convergence indicated by scale variation
- Tagging Jets not accessible
- DIS^2 is an approximation!

## **GLUON FUSION**



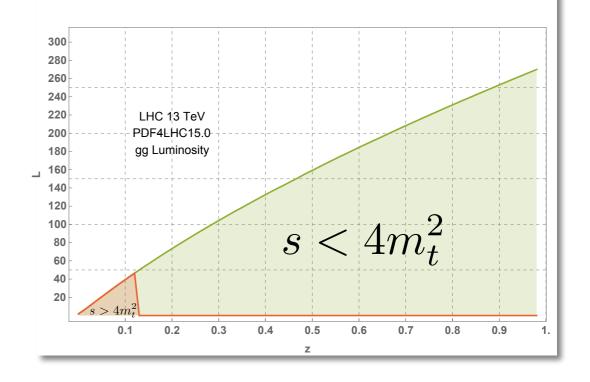
- ▶ 2 to 1 Born
- Loop induced
- Dominant Production mode
- Large QCD corrections
- Heavy-top effective theory

$$\delta = \frac{s}{4m_t^2}$$

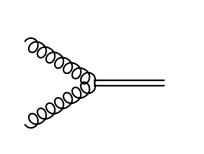


Remove 1 loop 
$$m_t o \infty$$

Get access to very high loop computations



## **GLUON FUSION - INCLUSIVE CROSS SECTION**



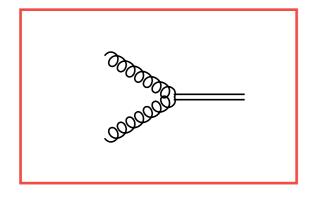
 Probability to produce at least the Higgs boson in P P collisions

$$\hat{\sigma}(z) = \hat{\sigma}^{LO}(z) + \alpha_S \hat{\sigma}^{NLO}(z) + \alpha_S^2 \hat{\sigma}^{NNLO}(z) + \alpha_S^3 \hat{\sigma}^{N3LO}(z) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^4)$$

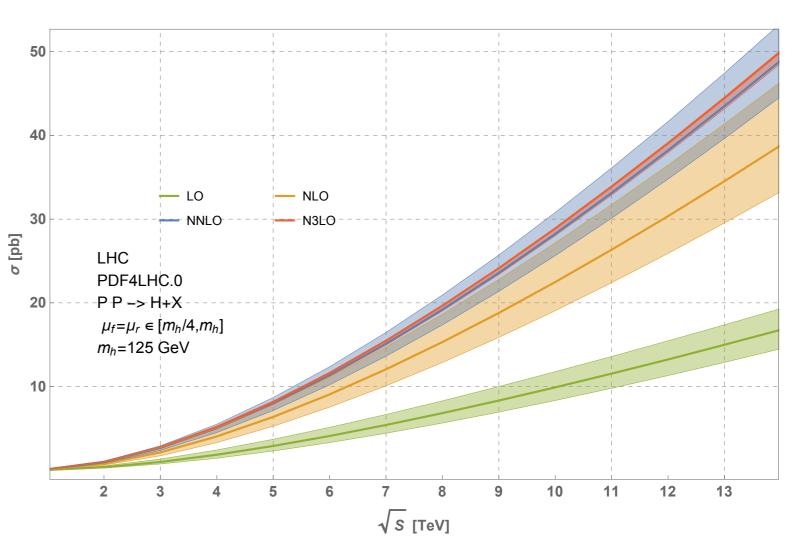
LO	$15.05 \pm 14.8\%$
NLO	$38.2 \pm 16.6\%$
NNLO	$45.1 \pm 8.8\%$
N3LO	$45.2 \pm 1.9\%$

- Stabilisation of perturbative series
- Drastic reduction in scale
   variation uncertainty estimate

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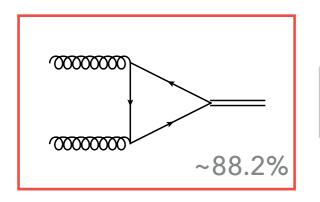


- ► Analytic computation **§**
- Challenge for current loop computation technology



[Anastasiou, Duhr, Dulat, Furlan, Gehrmann, Herzog, Lazopoulos, BM]

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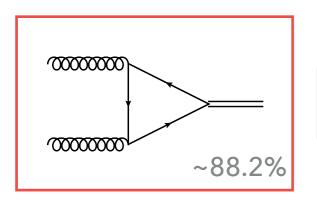


$$\sigma = 48.58 \, \mathrm{pb}_{-3.27 \, \mathrm{pb} \, (-6.72\%)}^{+2.22 \, \mathrm{pb} \, (+4.56\%)} \, \, (\mathrm{theory}) \pm 1.56 \, \mathrm{pb} \, (3.20\%) \, \, (\mathrm{PDF} + \alpha_s) \, .$$

$$48.58 \,\mathrm{pb} = 16.00 \,\mathrm{pb} \quad (+32.9\%) \qquad (\mathrm{LO, \, rEFT}) \\ + 20.84 \,\mathrm{pb} \quad (+42.9\%) \qquad (\mathrm{NLO, \, rEFT}) \\ - 2.05 \,\mathrm{pb} \quad (-4.2\%) \qquad ((t,b,c), \,\mathrm{exact \, NLO}) \\ + 9.56 \,\mathrm{pb} \quad (+19.7\%) \qquad (\mathrm{NNLO, \, rEFT}) \\ + 0.34 \,\mathrm{pb} \quad (+0.7\%) \qquad (\mathrm{NNLO, \, 1}/m_t) \\ + 2.40 \,\mathrm{pb} \quad (+4.9\%) \qquad (\mathrm{EW, \, QCD-EW}) \\ + 1.49 \,\mathrm{pb} \quad (+3.1\%) \qquad (\mathrm{N}^3\mathrm{LO, \, rEFT})$$

- LHC predictions demand effects beyond pure EFT
- Mass corrections & EWK effects

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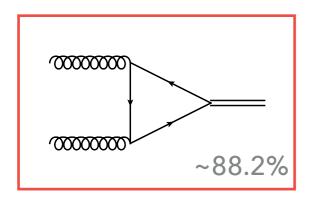


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- Many residual uncertainties of comparable importance
- Todo List: Full mass dependent NNLO
  - Mixed  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha \alpha_S)$  corrections
  - N3LO PDFs

$\delta( ext{scale})$	$\delta( ext{trunc})$	$\delta( ext{PDF-TH})$	$\delta(\mathrm{EW})$	$\delta(t,b,c)$	$\delta(1/m_t)$
$+0.10 \text{ pb} \\ -1.15 \text{ pb}$	$\pm 0.18~\mathrm{pb}$	$\pm 0.56~\mathrm{pb}$	$\pm 0.49~\mathrm{pb}$	$\pm 0.40~\mathrm{pb}$	$\pm 0.49~\mathrm{pb}$
$^{+0.21\%}_{-2.37\%}$	$\pm 0.37\%$	$\pm 1.16\%$	$\pm 1\%$	$\pm 0.83\%$	$\pm 1\%$

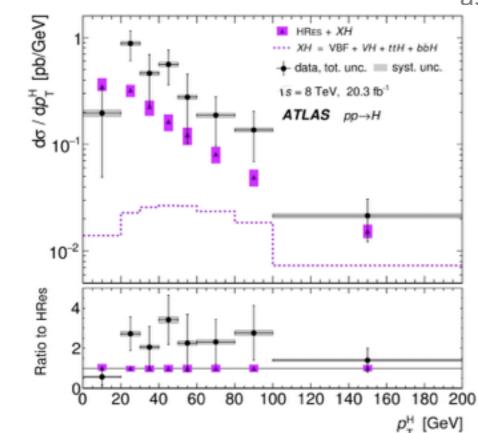
#### GLUON FUSION - INCLUSIVE/EXCLUSIVE CROSS SECTION

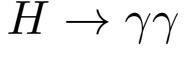


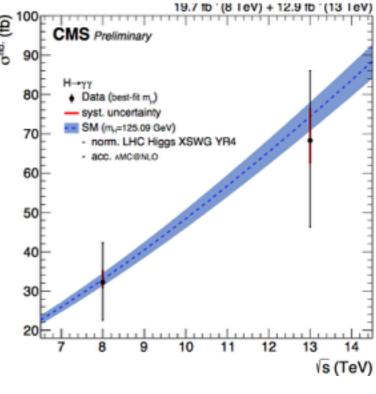
- Real measurements happen in fiducial volumes
- Inclusive cross section: Derived quantity with input from many measurements
- We require high precision predictions

for observables as close to experimental outcome

as possible







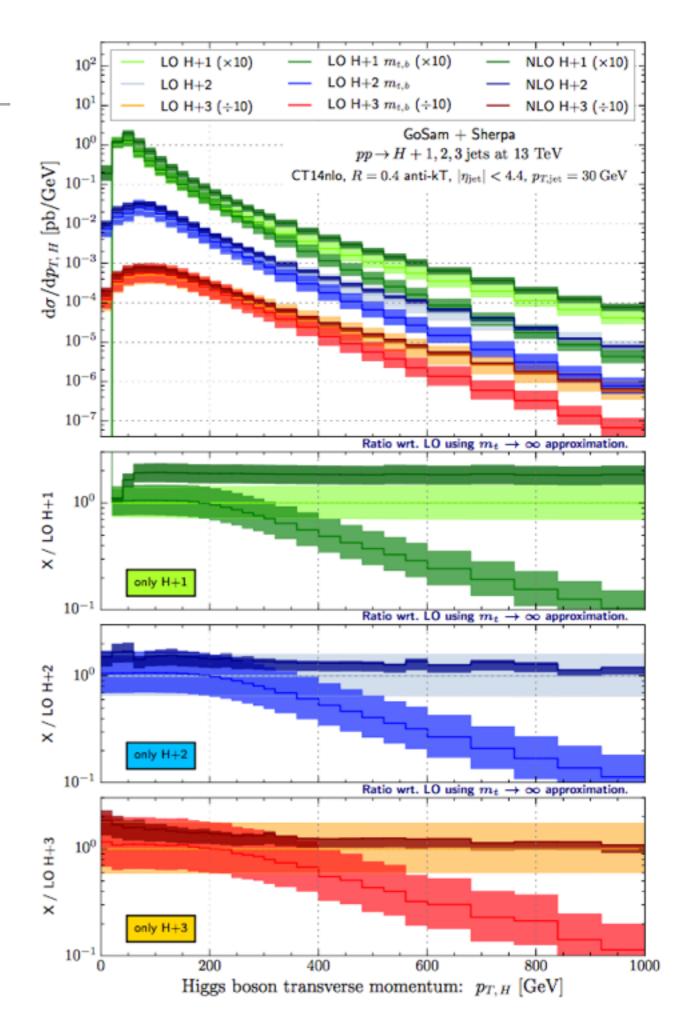
#### CMS

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}}^{\text{fid}} = 69^{+16}_{-22}(\text{stat.})^{+8}_{-6}(\text{syst}) \,\text{fb}$$

#### H + 3 JETS AT NLO

[Greiner, Hoeche, Luisoni, Schoenherr, Winter, (Yundin)]

- Up to 7 particle amplitudes
- Background for VBF
- Mass Corrections at LO
- Good agreement for pt< 200 GeV</li>
   Resolve effective vertex
   by hardest single pT
- Mass effects grow with pT 400 GeV  $K_t \sim 0.6$  1TeV  $K_t \sim 0.1$



#### Fully differential NNLO for 2 -> 2 scattering

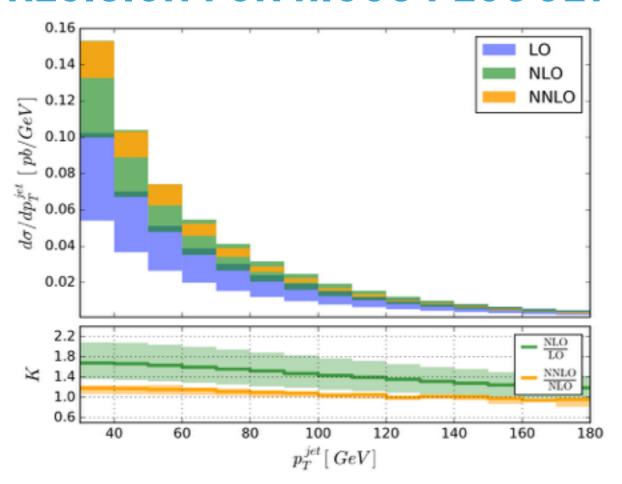
- Successful treatment of double real radiation
- Applied to colored final state
- Higgs+1 Jet NNLO computed with three different methods

[Chen, Gehrmann, Glover, Jaquier]

[Boughezal, Caola, Melnikov, Petriello, Schulze]

[Boughezal, Focke, Giele, Liu, Petriello]

- Sector decomposition
- Non-Linear Mappings
- qT
- FKS+
- N-Jettiness
- Antenna
- Colourful
- Projection-To-Born



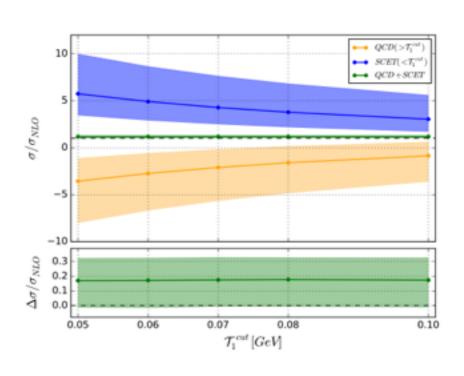
- Complexity of differential NNLO requires validation by multiple methods
- Exploratory phase: What works best in which framework?

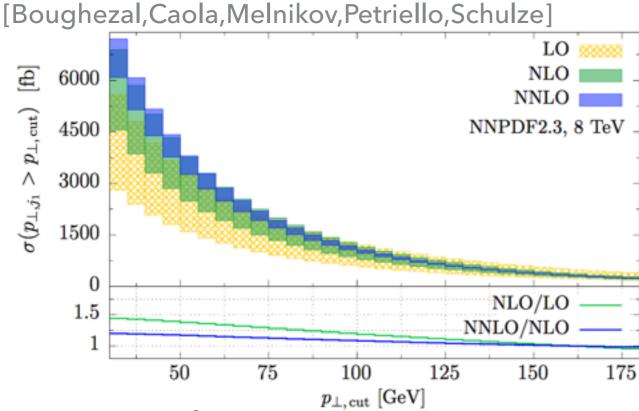
N-Jettiness Slicing:

Clever parameter to separate resolved from unresolved phase space for colored final state Resolved: Automated, stable NLO

Unresolved: SCET approximation to cross section [Boughezal,Focke,Giele,Liu,Petriello]

N-Jettiness see also:[Gaunt,Stahlhofen,Tackmann,Walsh]





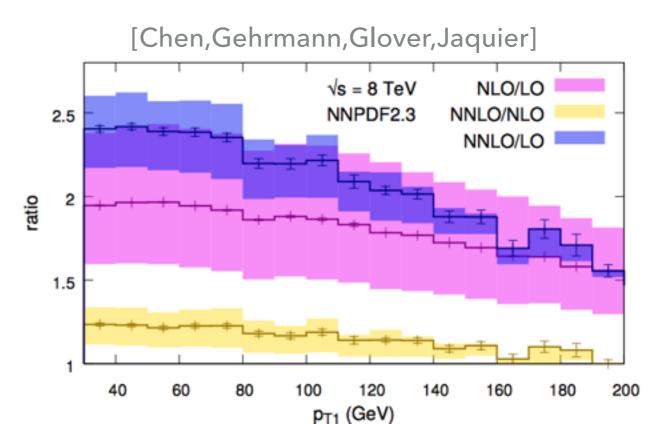
#### **Antenna Subtraction**

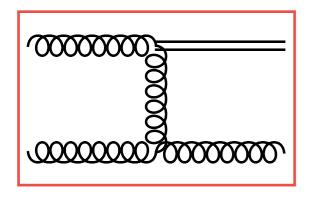
- Exploit universal IR singular
   behavior of amplitudes
   Simpler amplitudes as subtraction
   terms
- Analytic cancellation of IR singularities - Integrated counter terms

#### Subtraction: No Approximation

Sector improved residue subtraction

- Phase-Space partitioning to isolate IR singularities
- Automatic generation of subtraction terms
- Numerical Integration of singularities





- Good agreement among different methods
- Stabilisation of perturbative series for differential cross sections
- Sizable contributions from NNLO

LO	$3.9^{1.7}_{-1.1}pb$	
NLO	$5.6^{1.3}_{-1.1}pb$	+44%
NNLO	$6.7^{0.5}_{-0.6}pb$	+72%

[Boughezal, Caola, Melnikov, Petriello, Schulze]

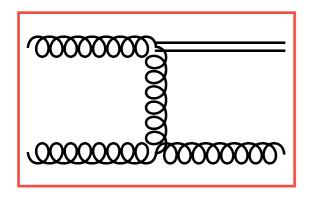
$$\Delta R = 0.5$$

$$p_T^j > 30 \text{GeV}$$

$$S = 8 \text{TeV}$$

$$\mu = m_h$$

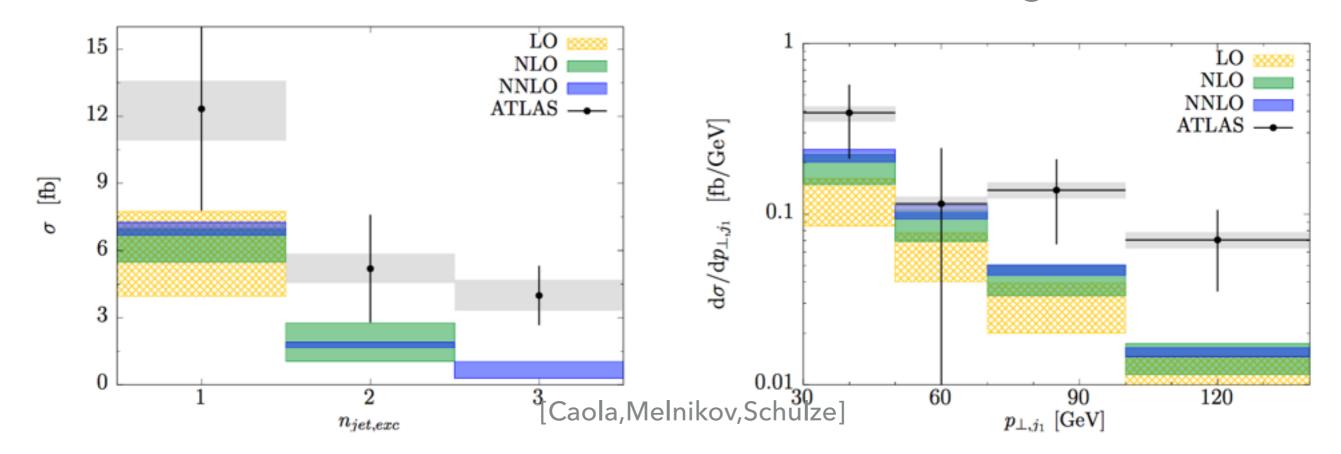
- > Better convergence for lower scale  $\mu = \frac{m_h}{2}$
- Perturbative results precise for  $p_T^j > 30 {
  m GeV}$

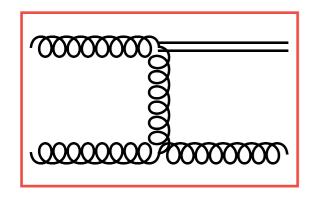


Fiducial cross sections + distributions

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- Still large statistical uncertainties
- Observed a bit high ...

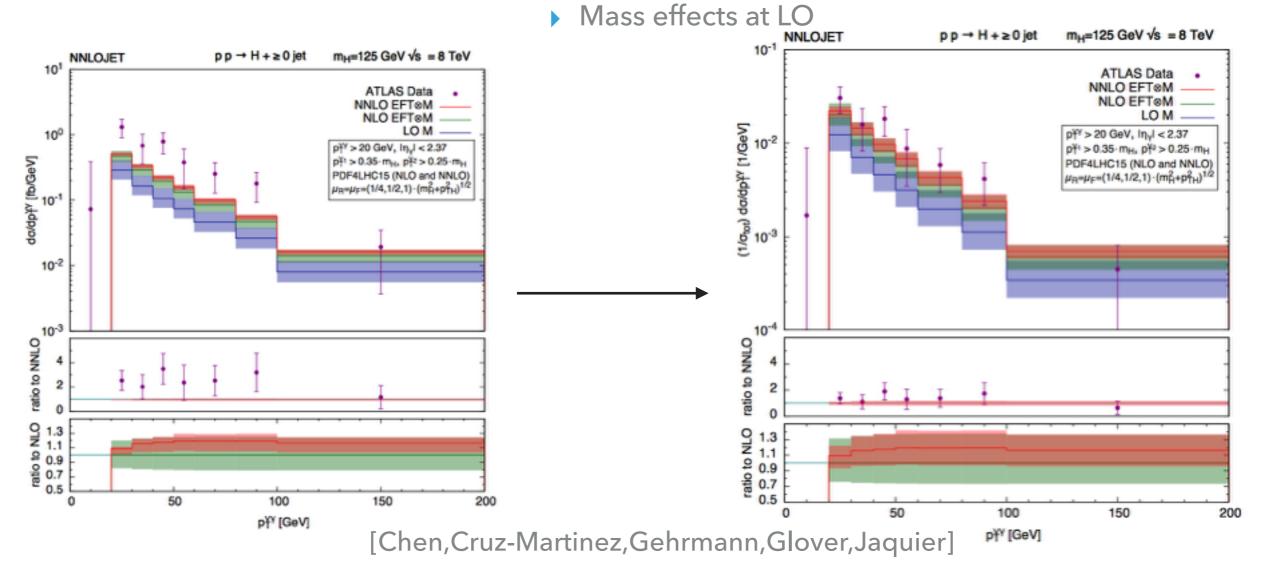


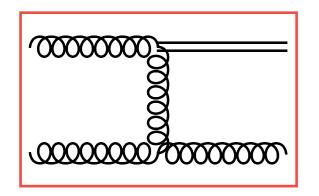


#### Fiducial cross sections + distributions

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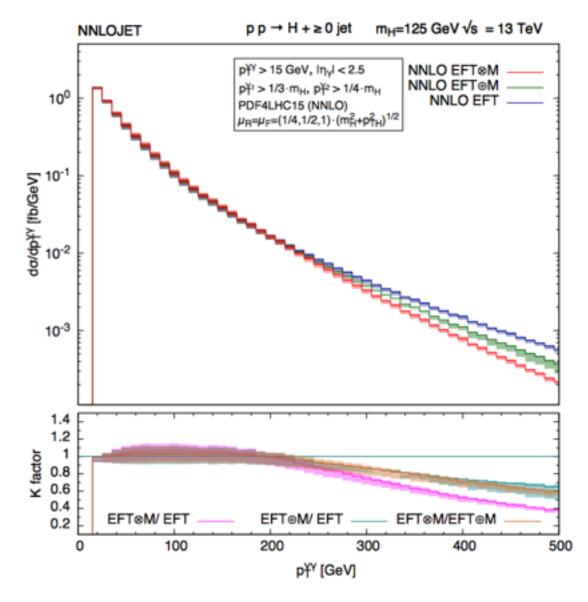
 Normalisation to total cross section improves agreement: Shapes!
 Worse scale uncertainty





Fiducial cross sections + distributions

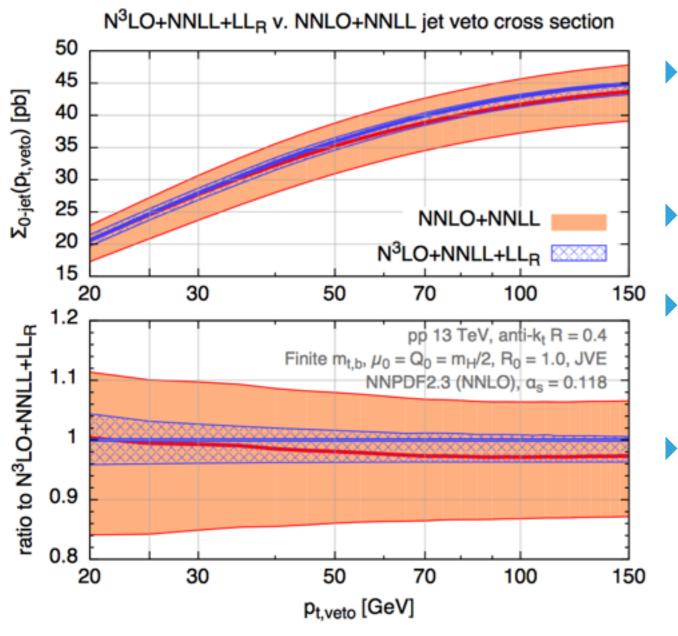
- NNLO EFT for small pT
- pT=400 GeV: 50 % uncertainty due to masses at LO
- full NLO H+J desired
  Interesting: b-masses: [Melnikov,Penin]
- ▶ EFT works well for pT< ~200 GeV</p>



[Chen, Cruz-Martinez, Gehrmann, Glover, Jaquier]

## **JET VETO CROSS SECTION**

See talks by Fabrizio Caola and Pier Monni



[Banfi, Caola, Dreyer, Dulat, Monni, Salam, Zanderighi]

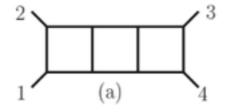
- Subtracting H+J from inclusive N3LO
- Differential observable at N3LO
- Combine with small R and pT-veto resummation
- QCD perturbation theory at fixed order does a good job

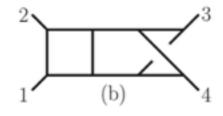
#### PROGRESS IN QFT

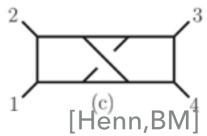
- Progress in formal QFT can lead to application for predictions
- But: Our desire to predict drives us to further develop formal aspects of QFT
  - Understand better what we compute to get faster (NLO)
  - Uncover beautiful mathematical structures
  - Understand deeper structures of QFT

Example: Recently computed

4-particle 3-loop scattering amplitude in N=4 SYM







#### **CONCLUSIONS**

- QCD precision predictions for Higgs boson physics are inseparably intertwined with the success of Higgs boson phenomenology at the LHC
- Remarkable progress in precision computation
- Desire to predict better inspires to develop our understanding of QFT
- Large room for improvement
   Precision standard of the future: Differential N3LO