

# Status of *POWHEG* and *MINLO*

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# Outline

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- ▶ status of the POWHEG BOX repository
- ▶ NLO+PS: status and recent developments [SM and BSM]
- ▶ MiNLO and NNLOPS [more details in [K. Hamilton's](#) talk tomorrow]
- ▶ short update on facilities for users

Current status of repository:

▶ **POWHEG BOX:**

- since revision 2801, common files mirrored in separate repository:

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▶ **POWHEG BOX V2:**

- MiNLO/MiNLO' merging
- facility for QED/EW corrections
- scales and PDF reweighting on LHE file

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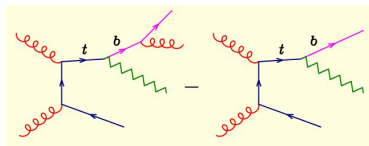
- can deal with intermediate resonances

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# NLO+PS & intermediate resonances

The problem, in a nutshell:



$$d\sigma = d\Phi_{\text{rad}} \bar{B}(\Phi_B) \frac{R(\Phi_B, \Phi_{\text{rad}})}{B(\Phi_B)} \times \exp \left[ - \int \frac{R(\Phi_B, \Phi_{\text{rad}})}{B(\Phi_B)} d\Phi_{\text{rad}} \right]$$

- ▶  $\Phi_B \rightarrow (\Phi_B, \Phi_{\text{rad}})$  mapping doesn't preserve virtuality  
⇒  $R/B$  can become large also far from collinear singularity, but it shouldn't
- ▶ POWHEG radiation should have a well-defined resonance assignment, otherwise the shower will not preserve invariant masses, **distorting the BW shape**.
  - need to define a resonance history. However a full  $WWbb$  computation contains non-doubly-resonant terms, interferences,...

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- Issues first addressed, for  $pp \rightarrow b\bar{b} + 4$  leptons production, in the **narrow-width approximation**

[Campbell, Ellis, Nason, ER '14]

- POWHEG BOX RES: **general solution and new framework**

[Jezo, Nason '15]

- applied to 4F  $t$ -channel single-top and  $pp \rightarrow b\bar{b} + 4$  leptons (full exact NLO)

[Jezo, Nason '15; Jezo, Lindert, Nason, Oleari, Pozzorini '16]

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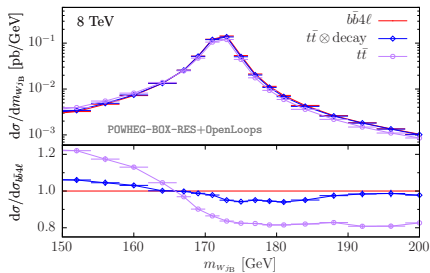
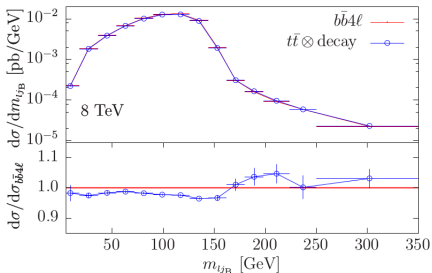
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2. each term (Born-like and real) is attributed to an unique resonance history

- virtuality-preserving mappings between  $\Phi_B$  and  $(\Phi_B, \Phi_{\text{rad}})$  can be used
- POWHEG radiation(s) can now be assigned to a resonance
- (& other technical but crucial subtleties...)

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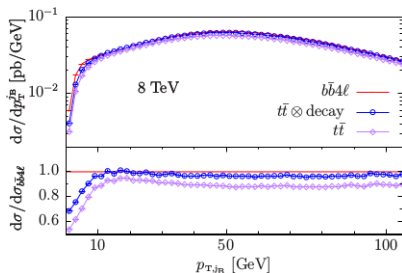


- ▶ “ $tt \otimes \text{decay}$ ”: based on narrow-width
- ▶ left:  $tt$  cuts. Very good agreement: serves also as a validation, since one result supports the choices made to obtain the other.
- ▶ right: bigger differences with original  $tt$ .

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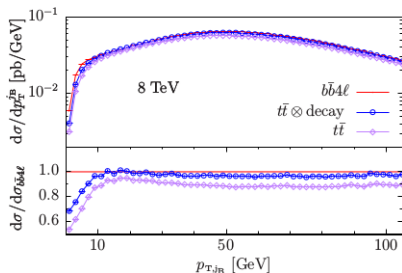
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- ▶ ongoing pheno study on top mass extraction

[Ferrario-Ravasio,Jezo,Nason,Oleari; in progress]

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- by default POWHEG is additive: keeps only the hardest emission
- for heavy-pair production and decay, emissions from decay are rarely the hardest. Hence, with default POWHEG, they would be mostly generated by the shower
- keep hard radiation and the emissions from all decaying resonances, then merge them into a single radiation phase space with several radiated partons, up to one for each resonance

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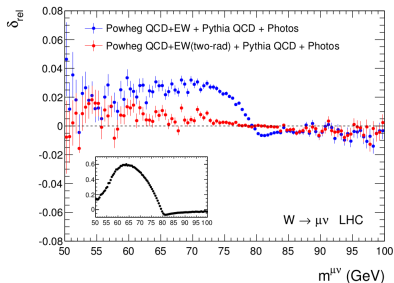
$$\Rightarrow d\sigma = \bar{B}(\Phi_B) d\Phi_B \prod_{\alpha=\alpha_b, \alpha_{\bar{b}}, \alpha_{\text{ISR}}} \left[ \Delta_{\alpha}(q_{\text{cut}}) + \Delta_{\alpha}(k_T^{\alpha}) \frac{R_{\alpha}(\Phi_{\alpha}(\Phi_B, \Phi_{\text{rad}}^{\alpha}))}{B(\Phi_B)} d\Phi_{\text{rad}}^{\alpha} \right]$$

- ▶ in the above case, the **interface to parton shower** becomes more complicated.
  - for results in published results, brute-force approach (iterate shower until all veto conditions respected)
  - more recently: `PowhegHooksBB4L.h`, `Pythia8 UserHook`, dedicated for vetoes in presence of resonance decays adapted from `PowhegHooks` [Jezo, Seidel, Nachman; April '17]

# Multiple radiation scheme

- ▶ This scheme has also been implemented to improve the QCD+EW NLO+PS programs  $W_{eW}$ -BMNNP and  $Z_{eW}$ -BMNNPV. Therein, option was dubbed `two-rad`.
- ▶ used for phenomenological study on  $M_W$  measurement

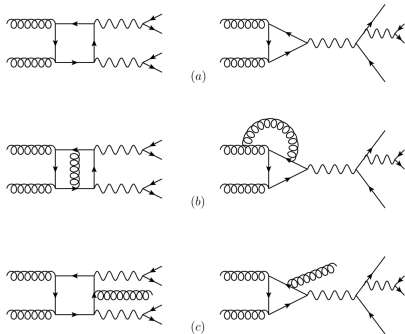
[Carloni Calame, Chiesa, Martinez, et al. '16]



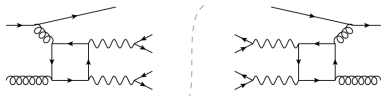
$pp \rightarrow W^+, \sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$		$M_W$ shifts (MeV)				
Templates accuracy: NLO-QCD+QCD <sub>PS</sub>		$W^+ \rightarrow \mu^+\nu$		$W^+ \rightarrow e^+\nu(\text{dres})$		
Pseudodata accuracy	QED FSR	$M_T$	$p_T^e$	$M_T$	$p_T^e$	
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3	NLO-(QCD+EW)+(QCD+QED) <sub>PS</sub> <code>two-rad</code>	PYTHIA	-89.0±0.6	-371±3	-38.8±0.6	-157±3
4	NLO-(QCD+EW)+(QCD+QED) <sub>PS</sub> <code>two-rad</code>	PHOTOS	-88.6±0.6	-370±3	-39.2±0.6	-159±2
5	NLO-(QCD+EW)+(QCD+QED) <sub>PS</sub>	PYTHIA	-101.8±0.4	-423±2	-45.0±0.6	-179±2
6	NLO-(QCD+EW)+(QCD+QED) <sub>PS</sub>	PHOTOS	-94.2±0.6	-392±2	-45.2±0.6	-181±2

- ▶ plot: normalized to NLOPS for only QCD; effects also on transverse mass
- ▶ table shows that previous version had problems:
  - line 5,6: dependence on the model that describes QED FSR was not reduced after matching with an exact NLO EW calculation
  - line 3,4: matching shows improvement

- ▶ Diboson processes start with quarks-only initial states at LO:  $q\bar{q} \rightarrow VV$
- ▶  $gg$ -induced ( $WW, ZZ, \gamma Z, \gamma\gamma$ ): start at NNLO, but important (large gluon flux)
- ▶ NLO corrections are **only a part of** the N3LO corrections



- virtual corrections: **2-loop amplitudes!**
  - not reliable when radiation harder than  $m_t$ , as only massless internal lines
- quark-initiated loop-squared known, gauge invariant, but **not** included



- $B$  and  $R$ : in-house routines, 2-loops from [Gehrmann,von Manteuffel,Tancredi, '15 '15]

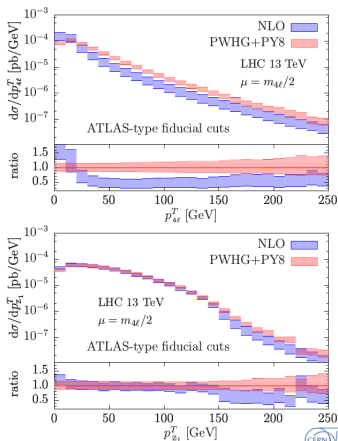
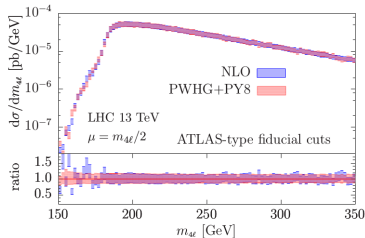
Implemented  $gg \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow e^+e^-\mu^+\mu^-$  at NLO+PS in V2

# $gg \rightarrow ZZ$

$$\Delta R_{\ell\ell} > 0.2,$$

$$p_{\ell}^T > 7 \text{ GeV}, \quad 80 \text{ GeV} < m_{4\ell} < 350 \text{ GeV}$$

$$|\eta_{\ell}| > 2.7, \quad 66 \text{ GeV} < m_{\ell\ell} < 160 \text{ GeV}.$$

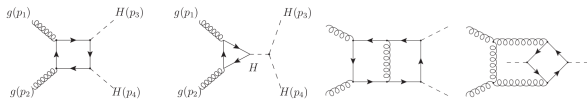


- ▶ for inclusive observables, excellent agreement NLO vs NLO+PS
- ▶ Shower effect on  $p_{T,ZZ}$  due to recoil from all emitted particles:
  - slight unbalance can give large effects (even when  $\text{hdamp} = 150 \text{ GeV}$ )
  - roughly compatible inside large LO bands
- ▶ **outlook:**  $gg \rightarrow 4\ell$  (identical lepton interferences), investigate loop-squared quark-initiated

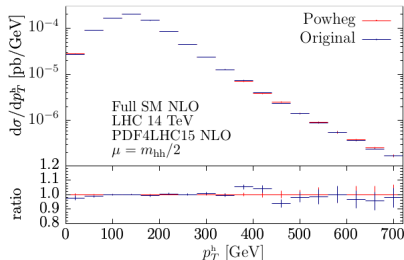
# HH production with exact $m_t$

[Heinrich, Jones, Kerner, Luisoni, Vryonidou '17]

- ▶ relevant for studies of HHH coupling
- ▶ exact NLO computation by [Borowka, Greiner, Heinrich, et al. '16]:
  - very difficult, as some 2-loops integrals are not known analytically

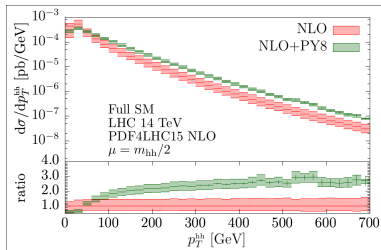
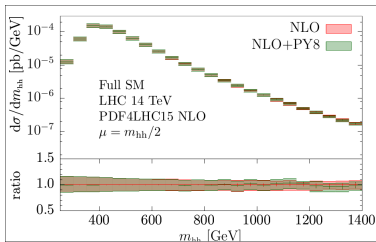


- ▶ 2-loop: too slow for direct interface to an NLOPS code
- ▶ interpolation grid in (transformed)  $(\hat{s}, \hat{t})$
- ▶ plot on the right: validation



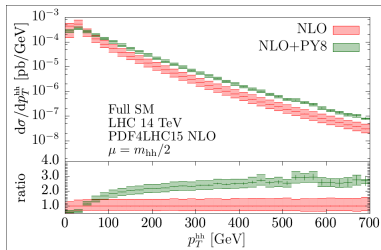
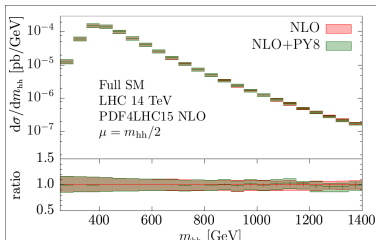


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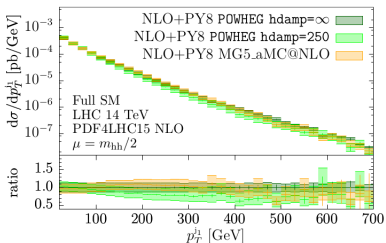
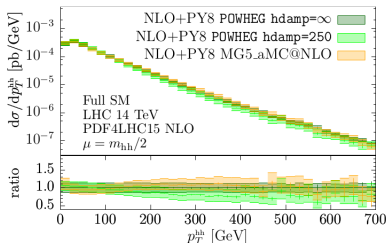


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- ▶ hdamp: NLO+PS  $p_{T,hh}$  tail gets closer to fixed-order (formally LO)
- ▶ uncertainty due to matching: detailed comparison with MG5\_aMC@NLO

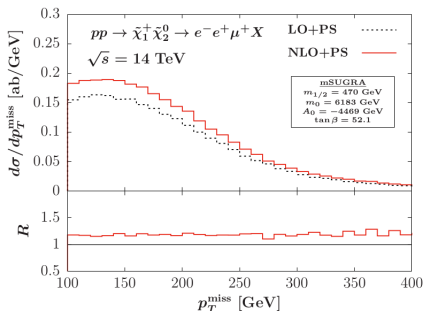
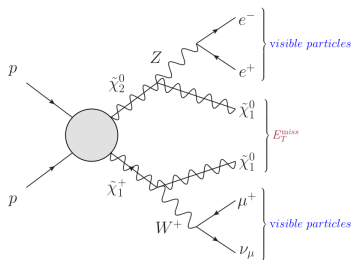
# BSM in POWHEG and other recent results

- ▶ although there isn't an effort aiming at complete automation, a few BSM processes are available:
    - Scalar and Pseudoscalar Higgs production in gluon fusion in the MSSM and 2HDM [Bagnaschi, Degrassi, Slavich, Vicini]
    - Charged Higgs+top quark\* [Klasen, Kovarik, Nason, Weydert '12]
    - Dark-Matter + Monojet [Haisch, Kahlhoefer, ER '13]
    - Squark production and decay [Gavin, Hangst, Krämer, Mühlleitner, Pellen, Popenda, Spira '13 '14]
    - Slepton pair, slepton pair + 1 jet [Jäger, von Manteuffel, Thier '12 '14]
    - Higgs production in association with a vector boson at NLO QCD including SM EFT effects [Mimasu, Sanz, Williams '15]
    - Electroweakino pair production at the LHC: NLO SUSY-QCD corrections and parton-shower effects [Baglio, Jäger, Kesenheimer '16]
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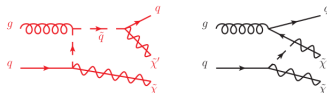
- DM as decay remnant of main production process, *i.e.* production of partner particles which then decay into LSP.
  - neutralino+chargino:  $pp \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_2^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^+$ , tag on missing  $E_T$  + visible SM particles



Spectrum used

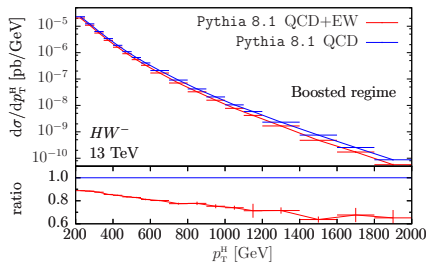
$$m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0} = 207 \text{ GeV}, m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0} = 405.9 \text{ GeV}, m_{\tilde{\chi}_\pm^1} = 405.8 \text{ GeV}$$

- on-shell subtraction terms:



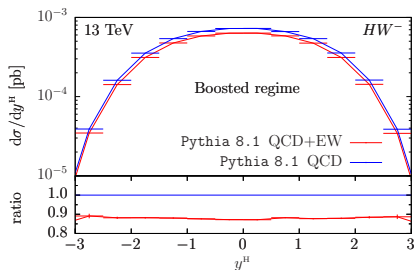
# some work in progress: NLO QCD+NLO EW

- ▶ **QCD + EW** corrections for HV and HV+jet



- will be made available in RES framework

[Granata,Lindert,Oleari,Pozzorini; in progress]



- ▶ **QCD + EW** corrections to V+j

[Pavia group; in progress]

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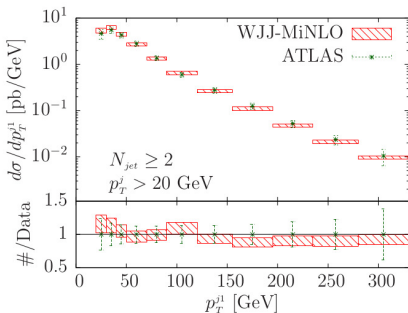
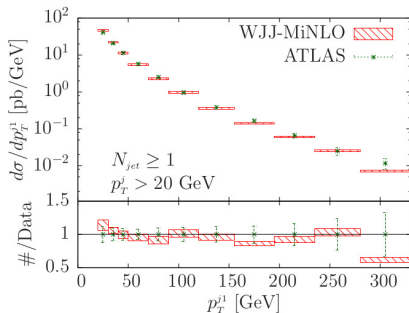
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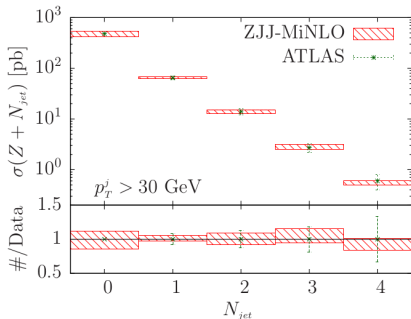
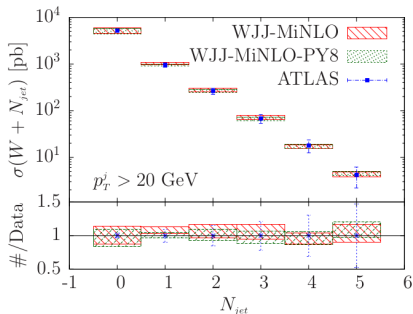
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## MiNLO

- H + 0,1,2 jets [Hamilton,Nason,Zanderighi '12]
  - V + 0,1,2 jets [Hamilton,Nason,Zanderighi '12]
  - JJ + JJJ [Kardos,Nason,Oleari '14]
  - $Wb\bar{b}$  + 0,1 jets [Luisoni,Oleari,Tramontano '15]
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## MiNLO' for "color singlet (X) + 1 j" processes

- ▶ inclusive NLO can be recovered ( $NLO^{(0)}$ ), without spoiling NLO accuracy of  $X+j$  ( $NLO^{(1)}$ ):

### NLO+PS merging, without merging scale

- ▶ accurate control of subleading small- $p_T$  logarithms is needed (e.g.  $B_2$  (NNLL))
  - H + 0,1 jet [Hamilton,Nason,Oleari,Zanderighi '12]
  - V + 0,1 jet [Hamilton,Nason,Oleari,Zanderighi '12]
  - HV + 0,1 jet [Luisoni,Nason,Oleari,Tramontano '13]
  - $W^+W^-$  + 0,1 jet [Hamilton,Melia,Monni,ER,Zanderighi '16]
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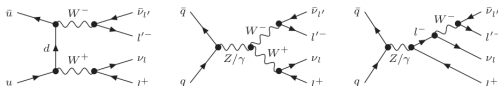
⇒ more details: [K. Hamilton's talk tomorrow](#)

# MiNLO': from Drell-Yan to $WW$

1606.07062: MiNLO' generator that merges  $WW$  and  $WW + 1$  jet at NLO+PS:

- POWHEG WWJ generator obtained ex-novo using interfaces to [Madgraph](#) and [Gosam 2.0](#)  
[Campbell et al. 1202.547; Luisoni et al. 1306.2542; Cullen et al. 1404.7096]

- All off-shell and single-resonant diagrams included. Full matrix-element with leptonic decays.

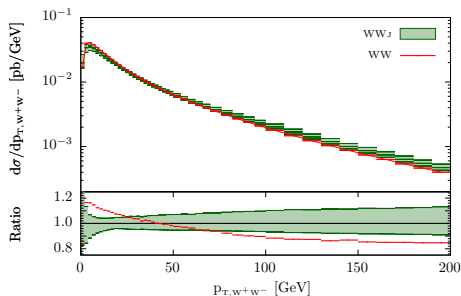
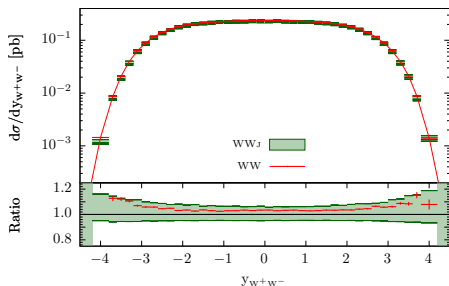


- worked in the 4F scheme: no interference with  $Wt$  and  $t\bar{t}$
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$$B_2 = -2\gamma^{(2)} + \bar{\beta}_0 C_F \zeta_2 + 2(2C_F)^2 \zeta_3 + \bar{\beta}_0 H_1(\Phi)$$
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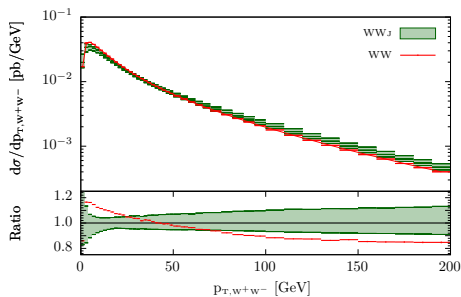
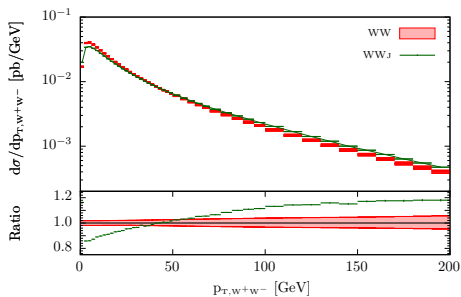
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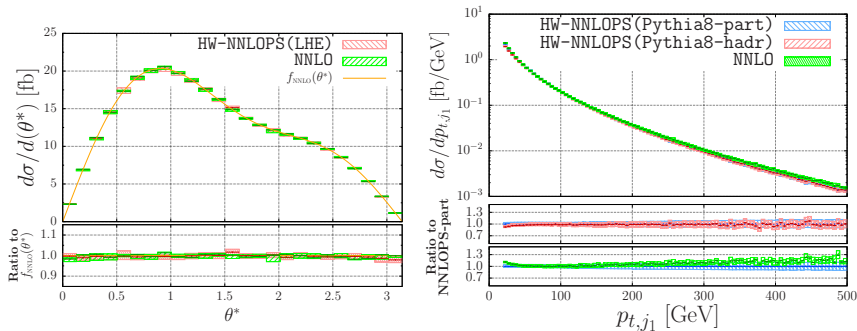


- ▶ NLO corrections sizeable in the spectrum
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Moreover, at small  $p_T$ , there is also a non-zero contribution from the 2 emissions matrix element (which is missing in the WW case)
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- ▶ by means of a reweighting (differential on  $\Phi_B$ ) of "MiNLO-generated" events, one can achieve NNLO accuracy on fully inclusive observables:
- ▶ latest application:  $WH$  @ NNLOPS

[Astell,Bizon,Zanderighi,ER '16]



- ▶ left plot: angular dependence in slice of  $y_{HW}$
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- ▶ **outlook**: include  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  decay, w/ NLO QCD corrections

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