Top-quark pair production at NNLO QCD and NLO EW accuracy

mainly based on **arXiv:1705.04105** and work in collaboration with M. Czakon, D. Heymes, A. Mitov, A. Papanastasiou, I. Tsinikos, M. Zaro

results and histograms available at

http://www.precision.hep.phy.cam.ac.uk/results/ttbar-nnloqcd-nloew/

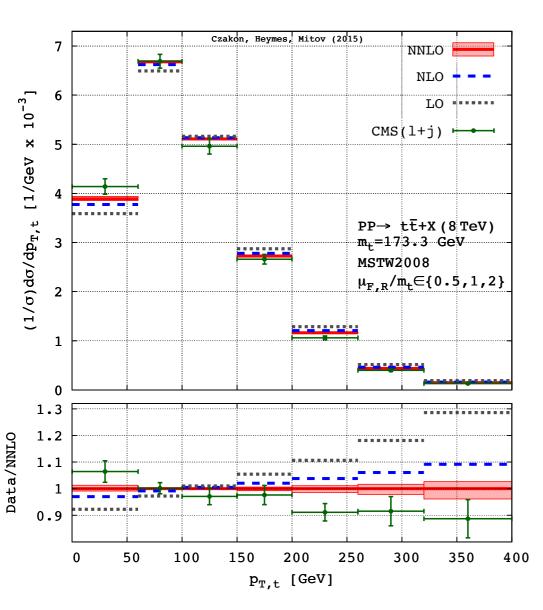


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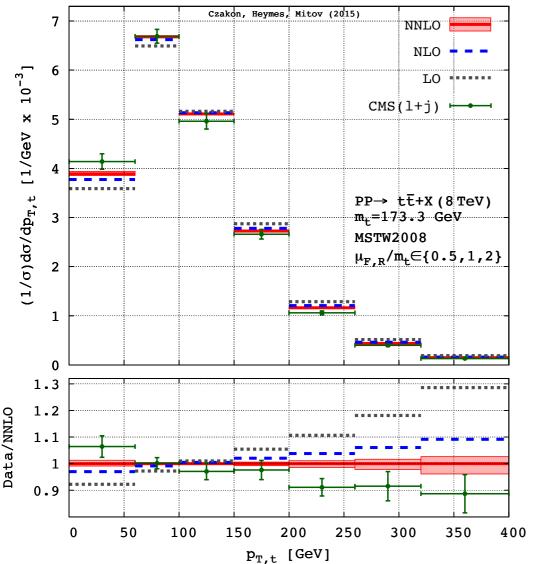
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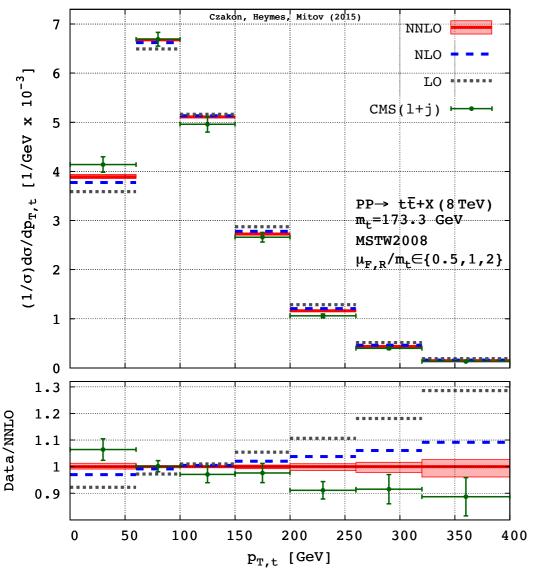


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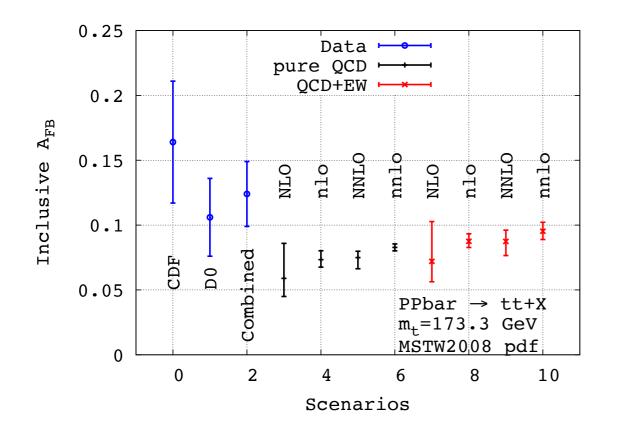


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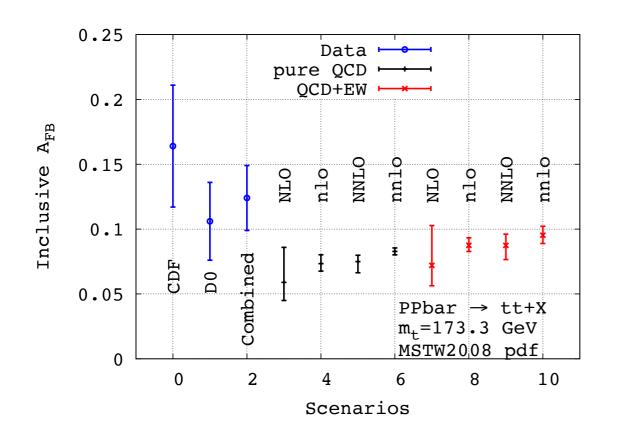


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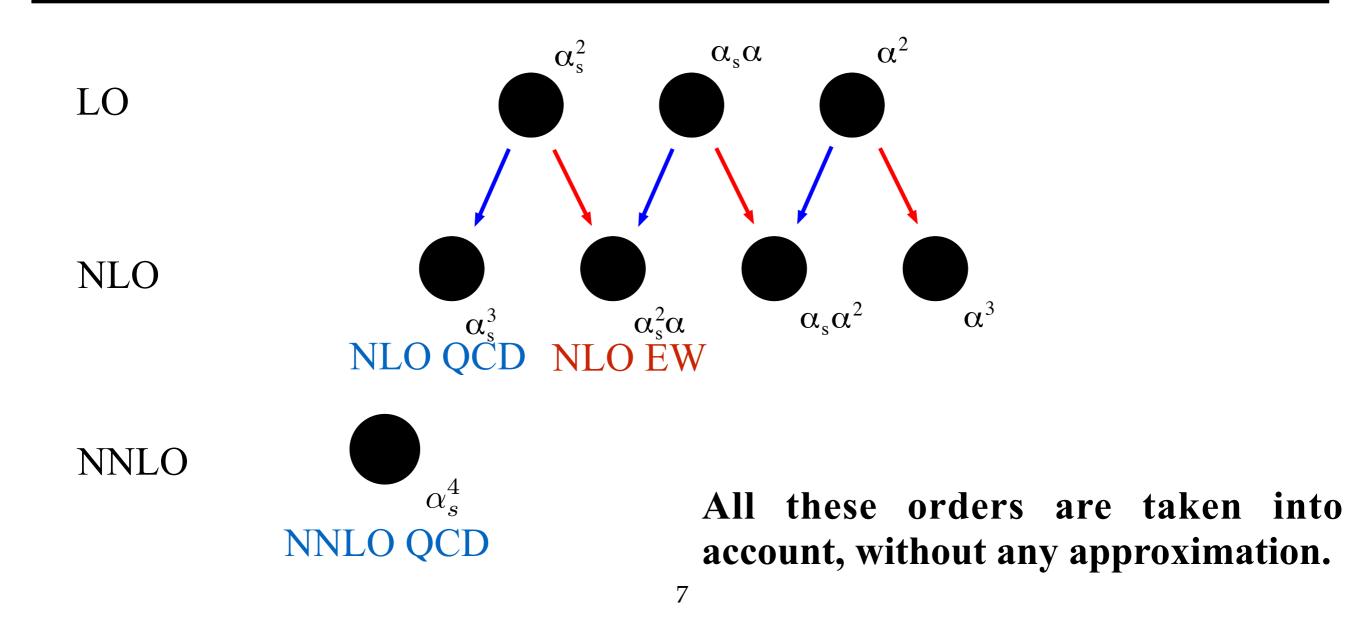
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Calculation framework

The calculation of NNLO QCD corrections is based on *Czakon, Fiedler, Mitov '15*

The calculation of the complete NLO corrections is performed with the EW branch of MadGraph5_aMC@NLO (*Frixione, Hirschi, DP, Shao, Zaro '14, '15*).



Choice of input parameters

 $m_t = 173.3 \text{ GeV}, \quad m_H = 125.09 \text{ GeV}, \quad m_W = 80.385 \text{ GeV}, \quad m_Z = 91.1876 \text{ GeV},$

 $G_{\mu} = 1.1663787 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-2}$ for the parametrization of the EW couplings

Five-flavor-scheme for α_s

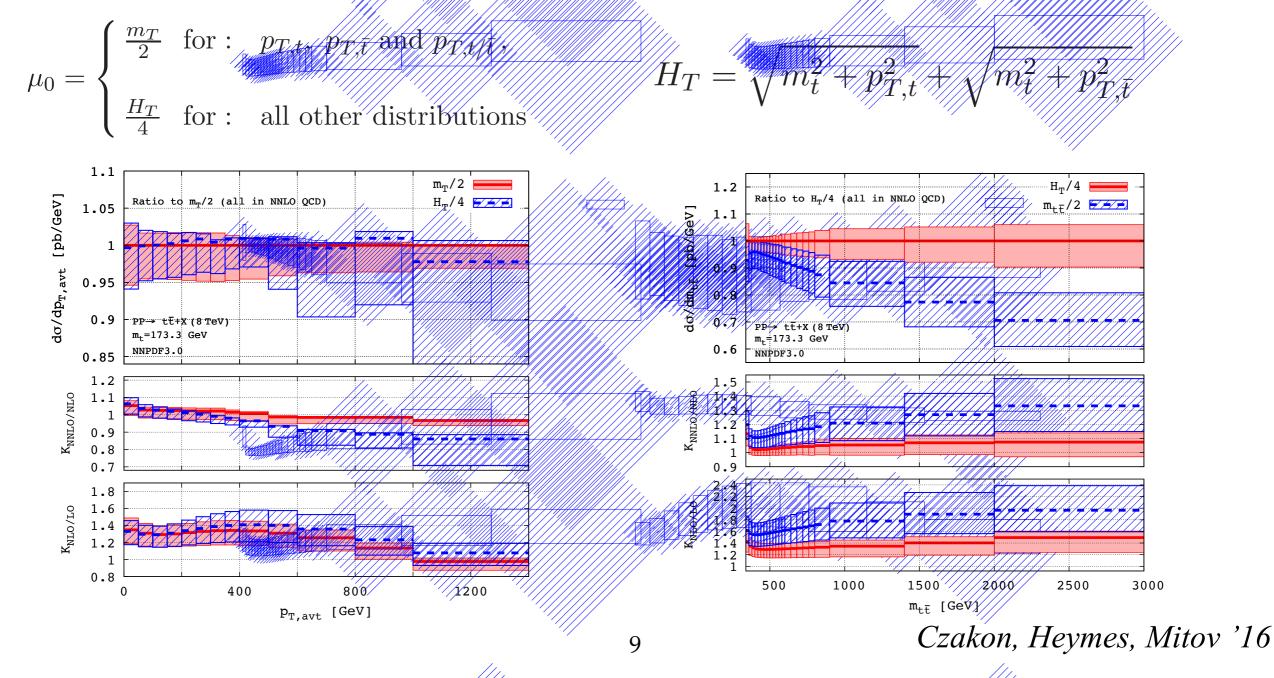
Which Factorization and Renormalization scale?

Which PDF set?

NNLO QCD: scale definition

The dependence on the ren. and fac. scale is mainly due to QCD effects.

The scale that minimizes NLO and NNLO corrections can be chosen as optimal scale: **"Principle of fastest convergence".** The best-scale definition can also depend on the observable:



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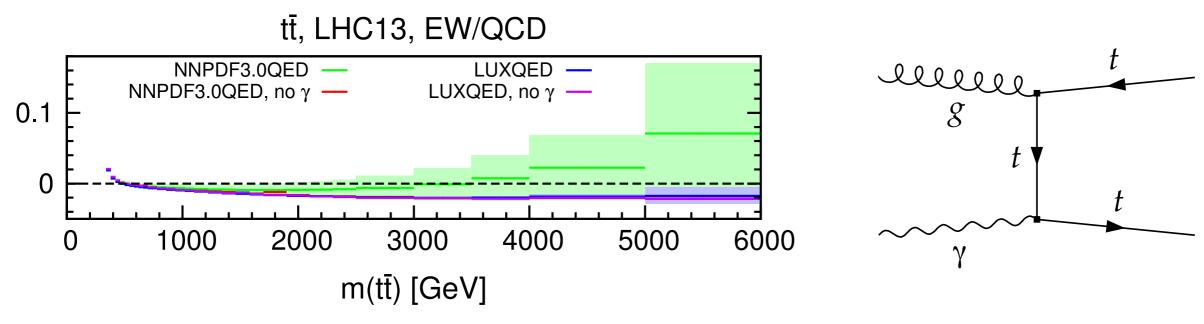
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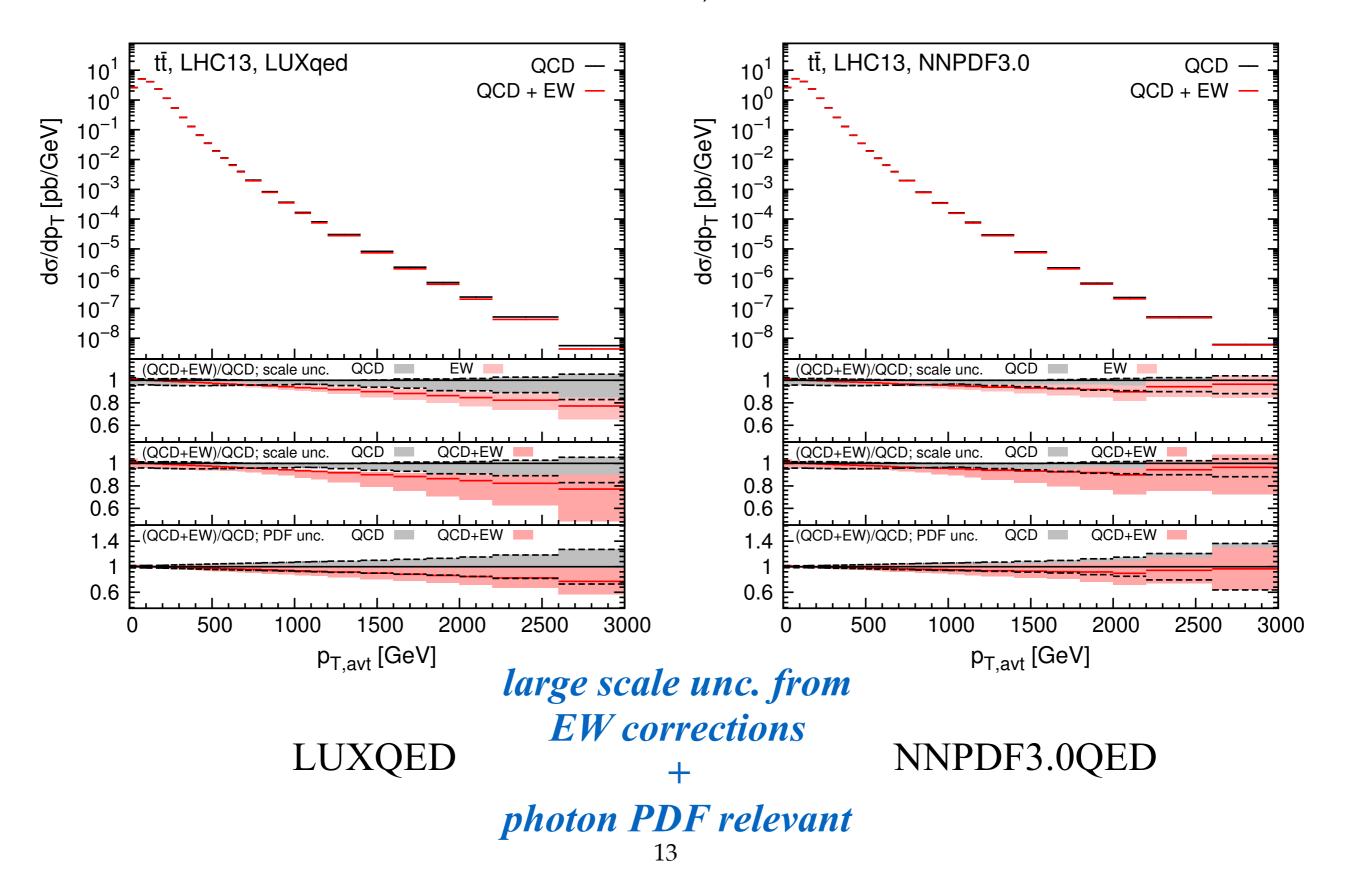
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While the impact of the NNPDF photon PDF is huge in ttbar differential distributions (and with large uncertainties), in the case of LUXQED is small. Cancellation between Sudakov Logarithms and photon-induced results depends on the scale definition. *DP, Tsinikos, Zaro '16*

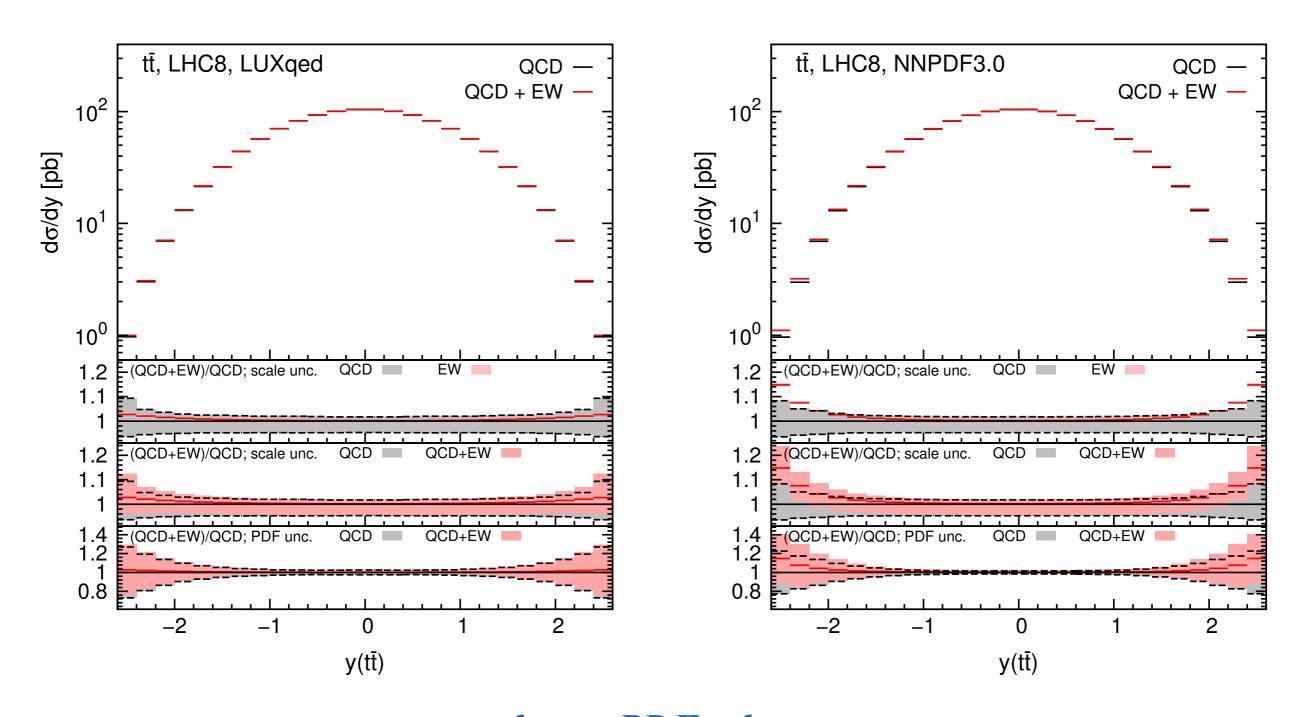




 $p_{T,avt}$



 $y(t\bar{t})$



LUXQED *ph*

photon PDF relevant at large rapidity

NNPDF3.0QED

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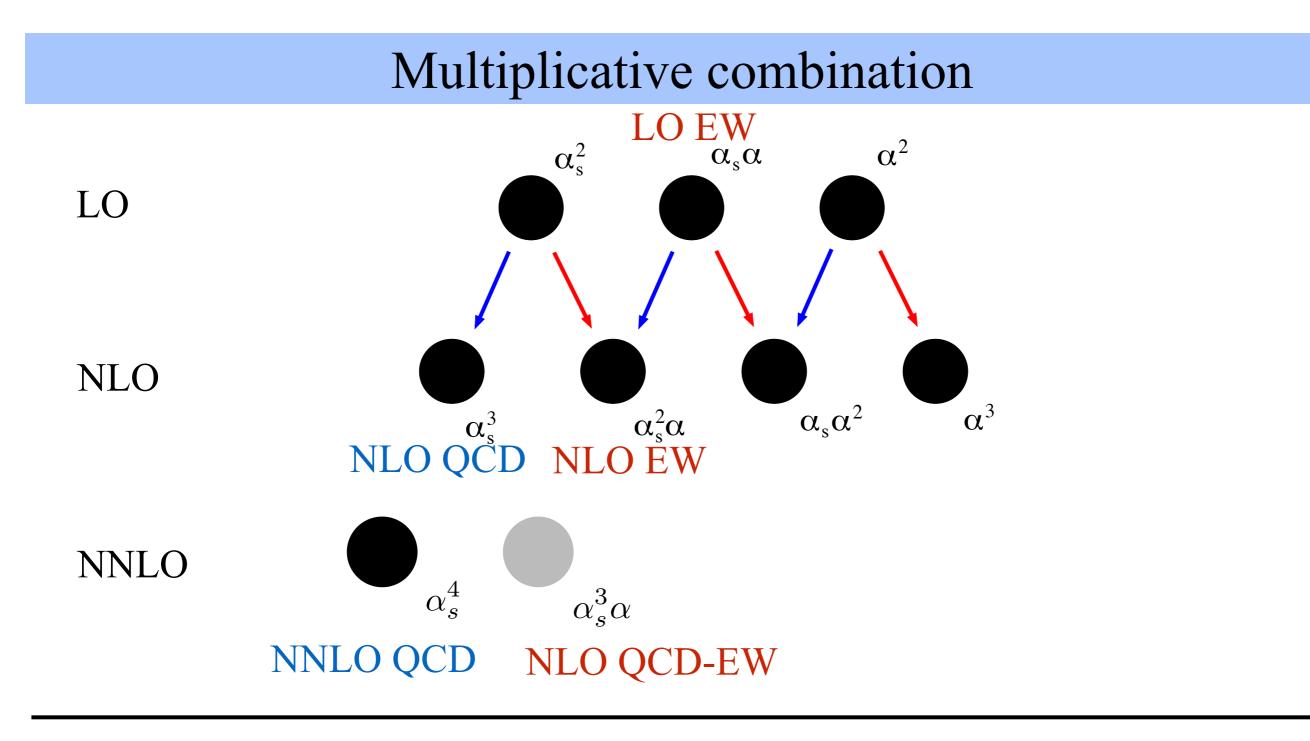
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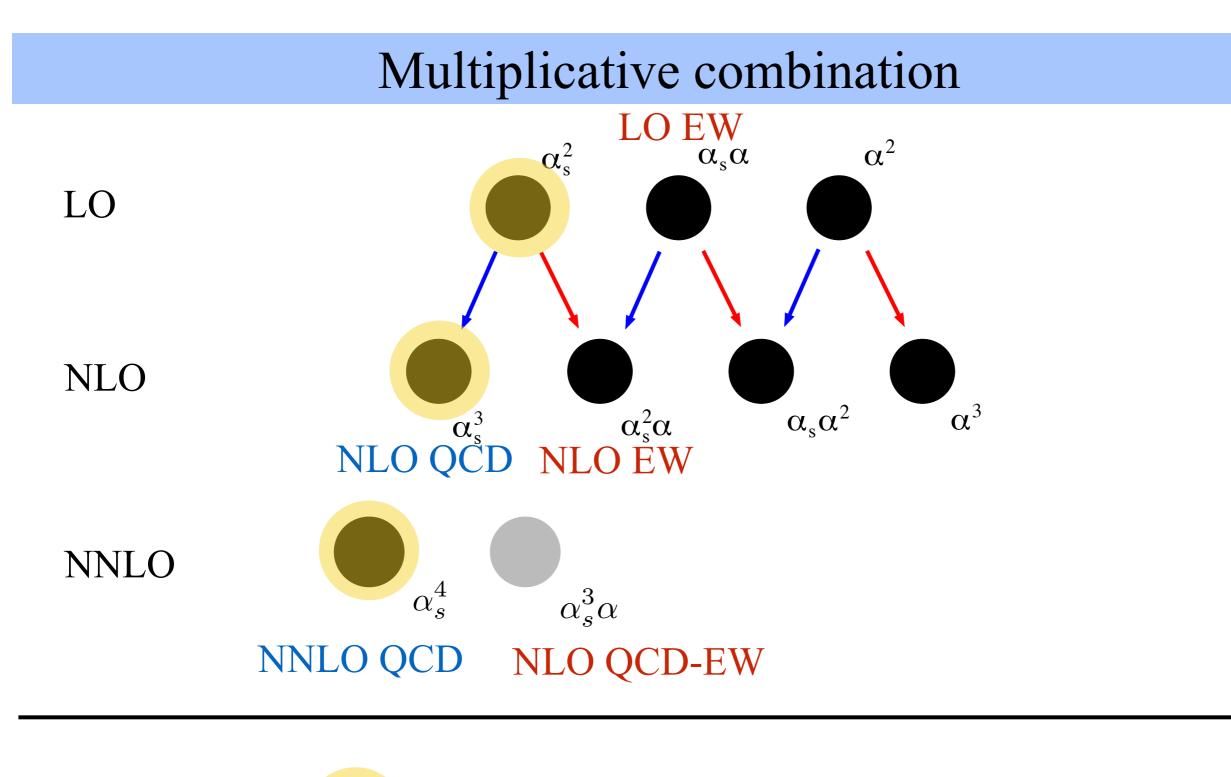
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Combination of EW and QCD corrections in the multiplicative approach

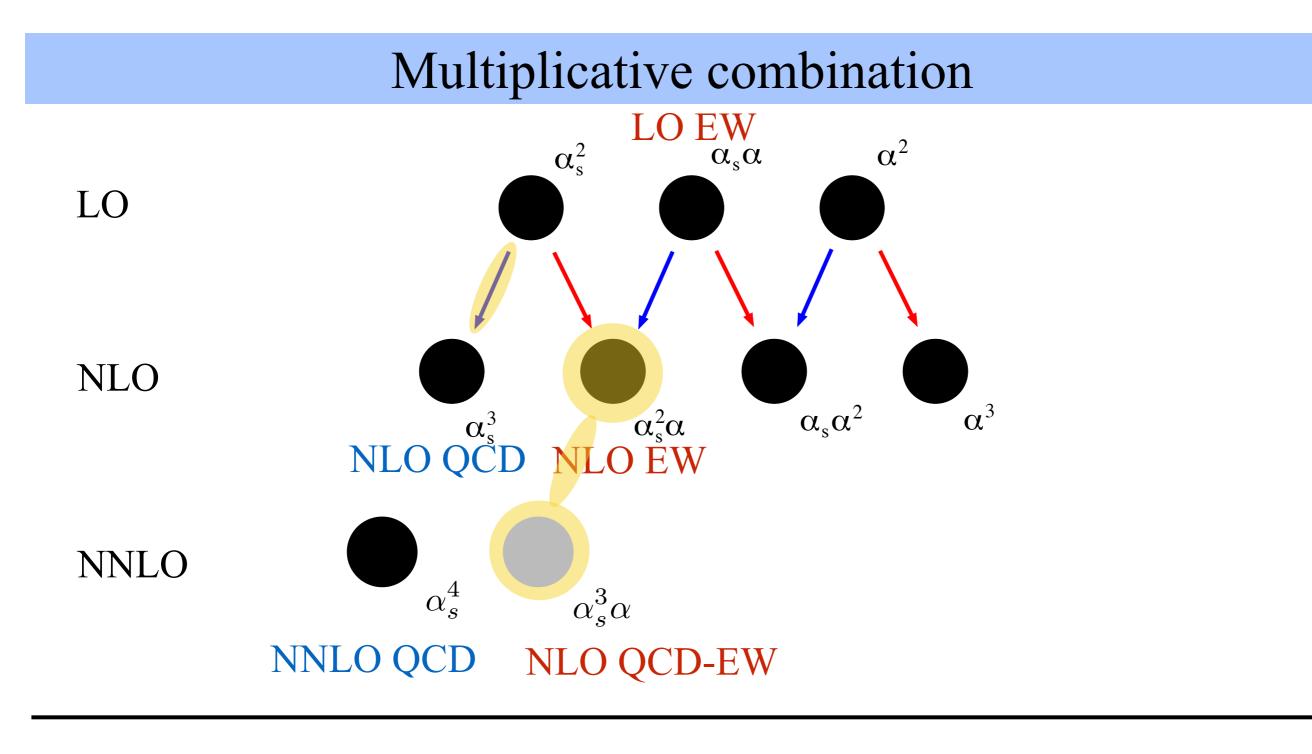
When QCD and EW effects factorize (e.g. soft QCD and Sudakov Logarithms) multiplying NLO QCD with NLO EW is a good approximation for NNLO mixed QCD-EW effects. In general, it can be used as an estimate of uncertainties due to mixed QCD-EW higher order effects.



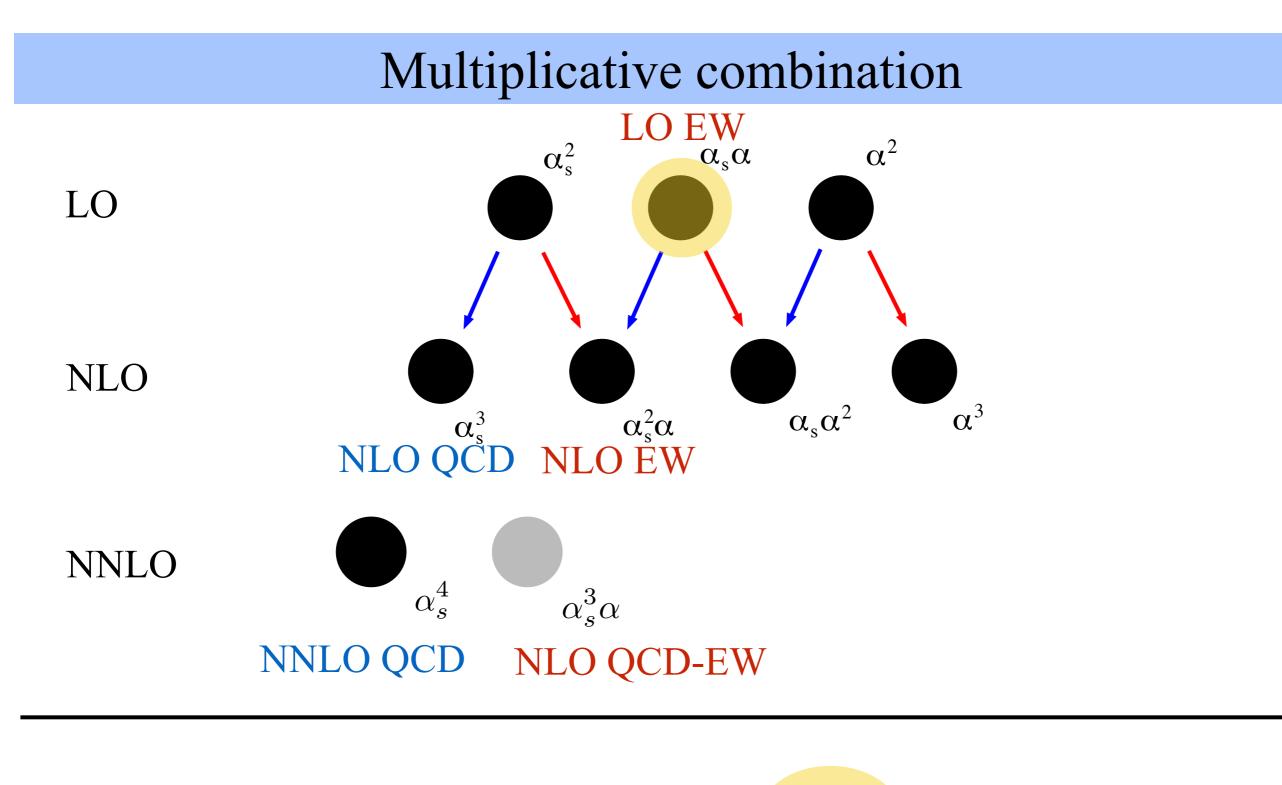
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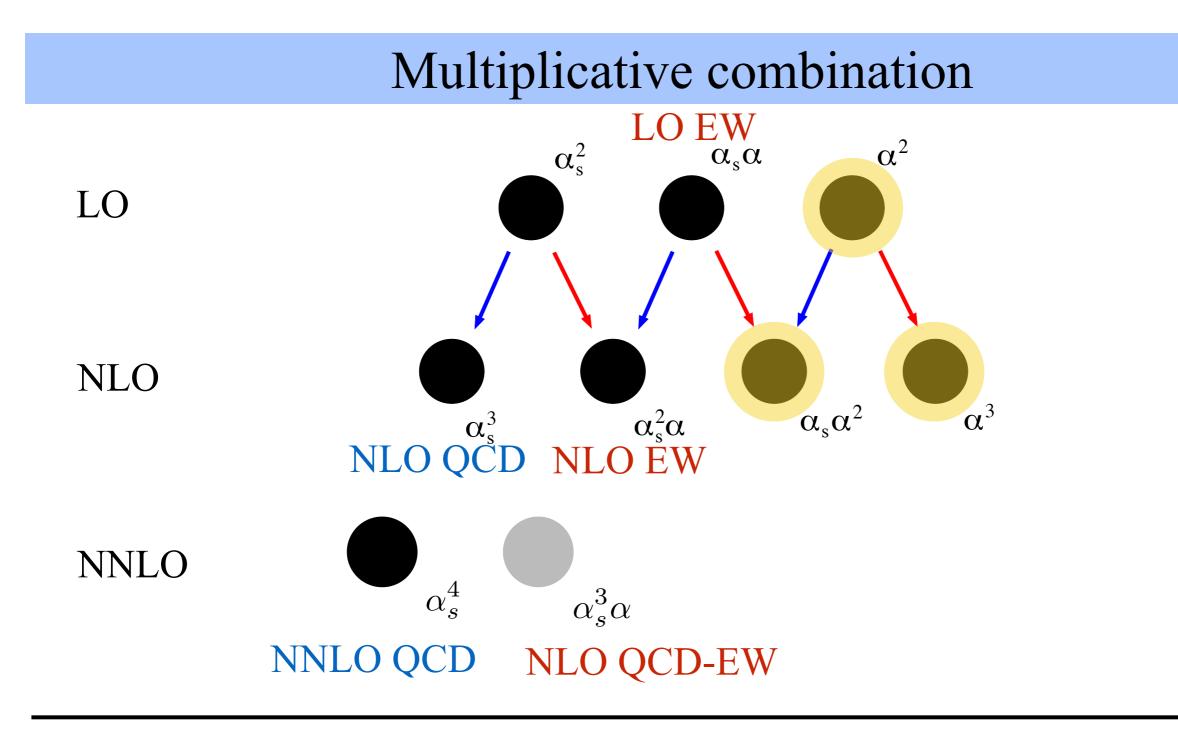
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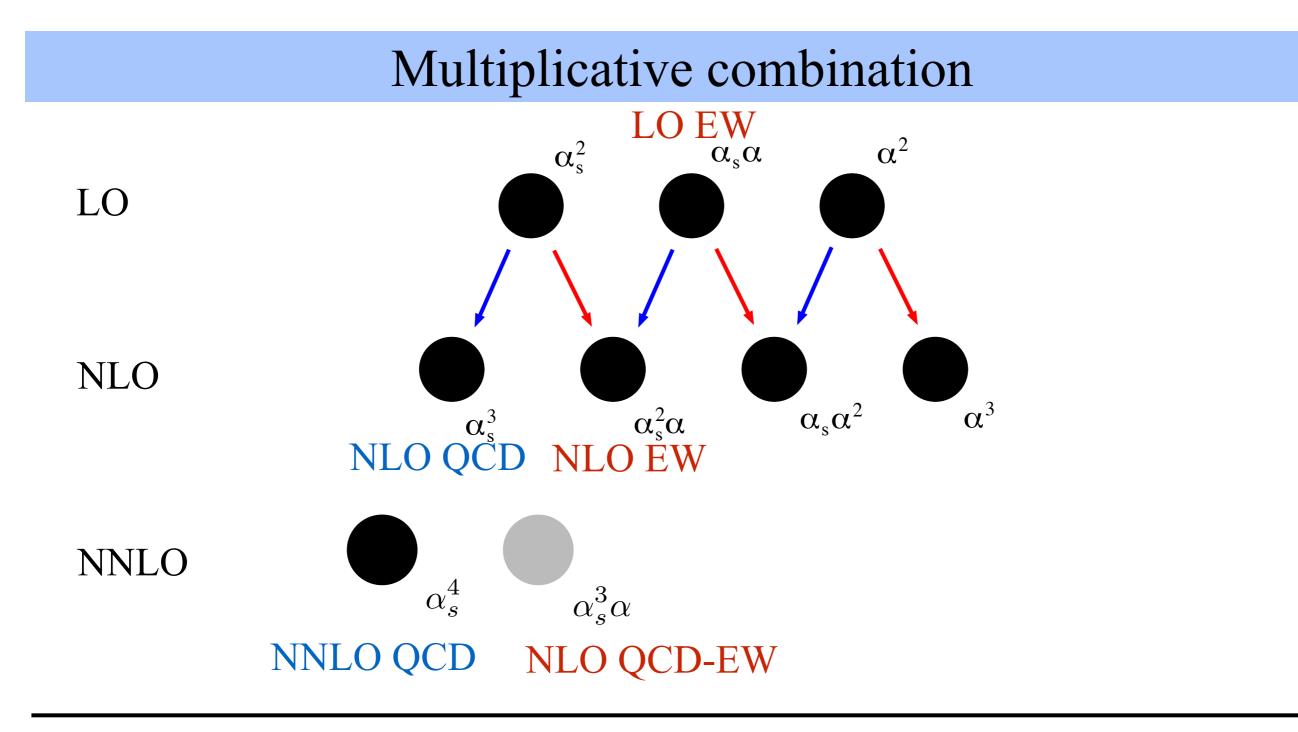
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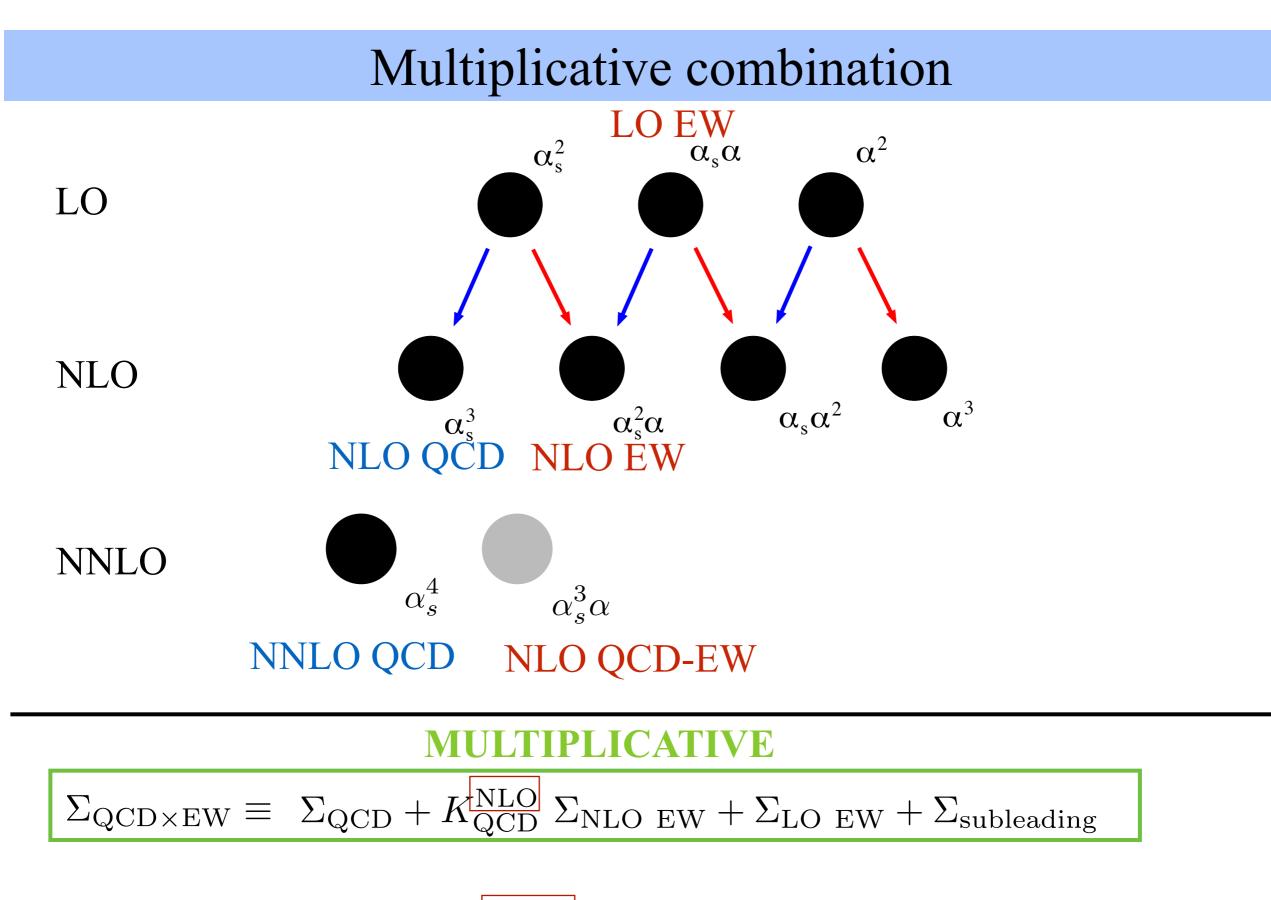


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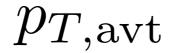
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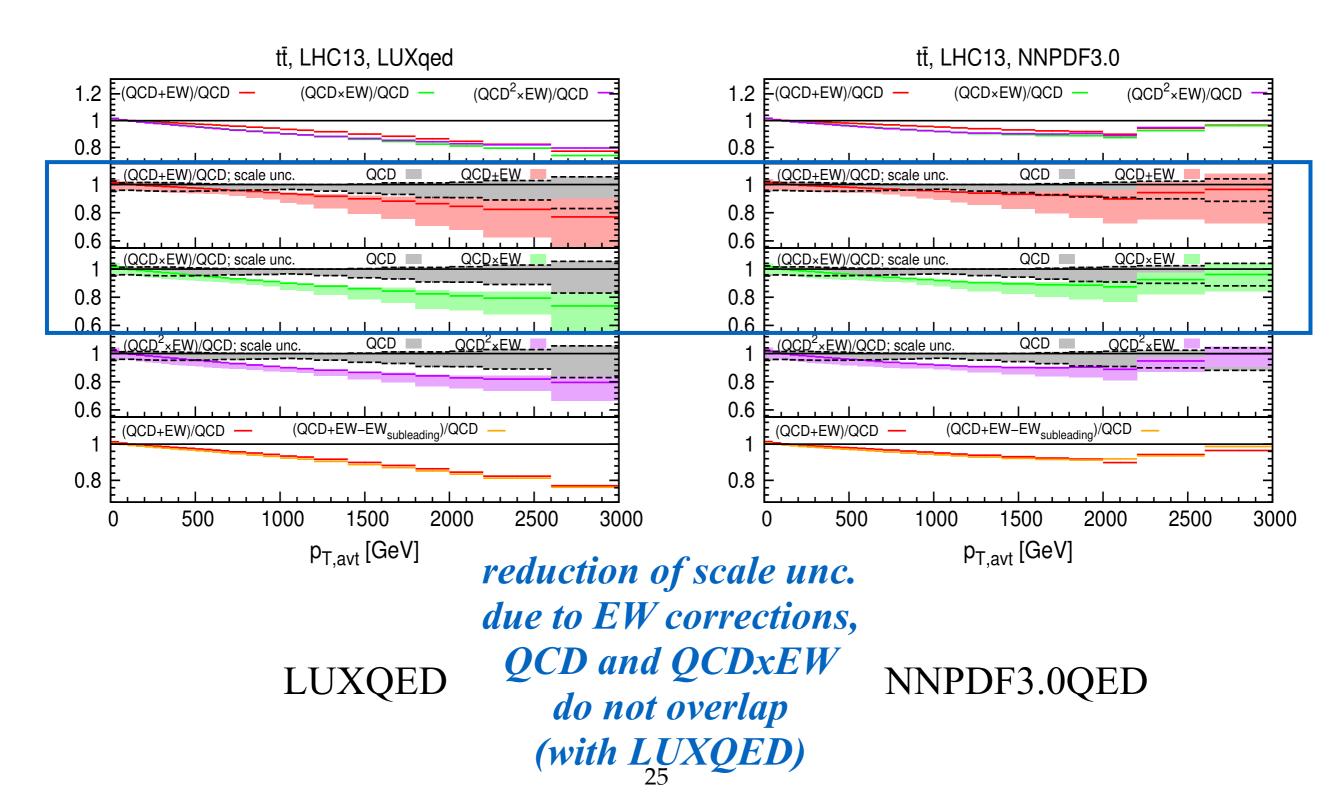


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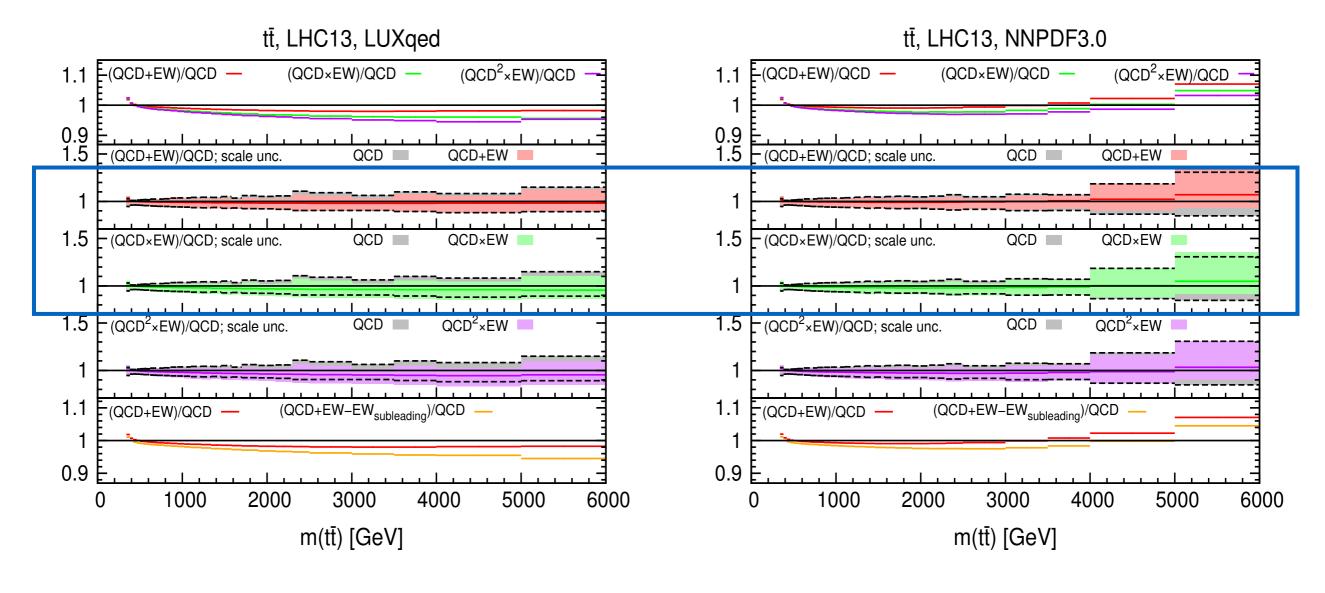


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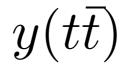


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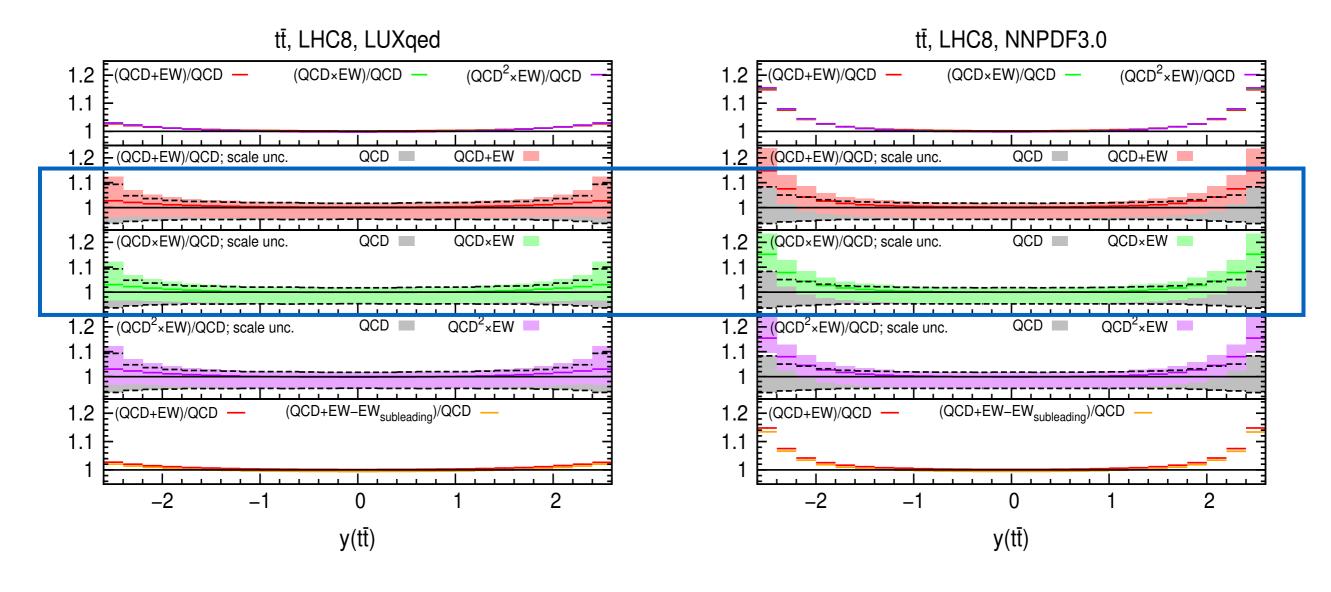
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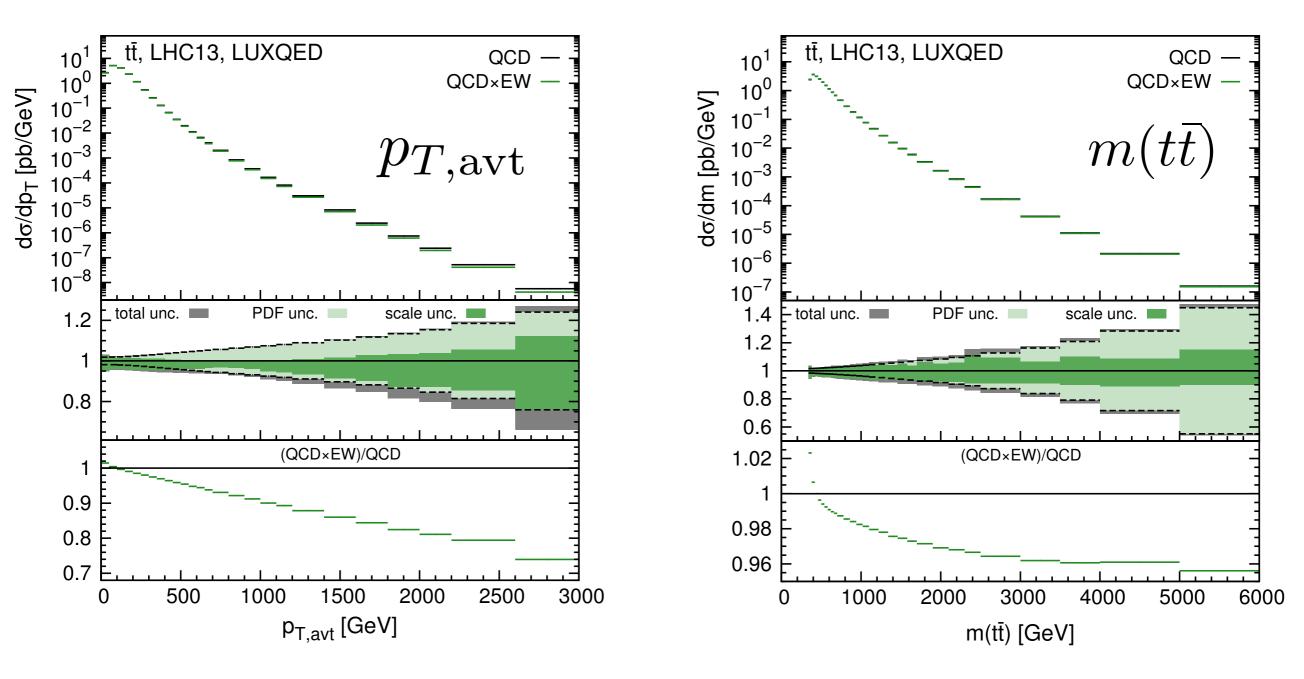
Results

Best predictions



MULTIPLICATIVE with LUXQED

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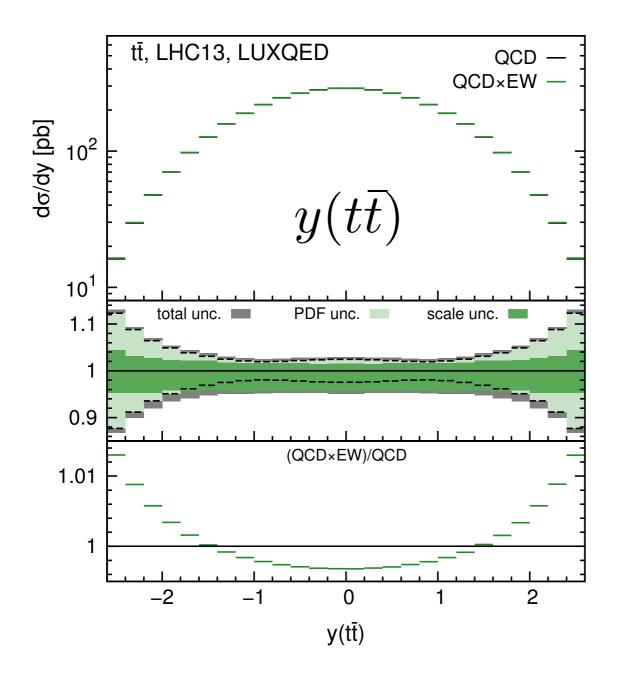
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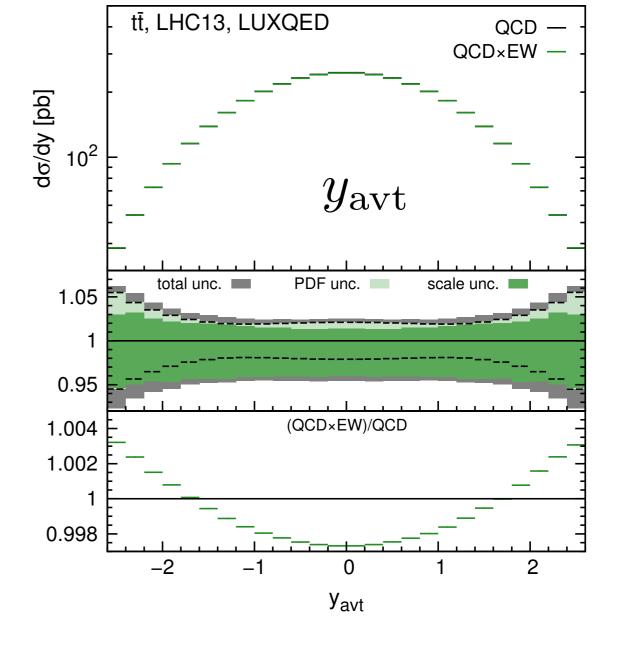
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13 TeV

MULTIPLICATIVE with LUXQED



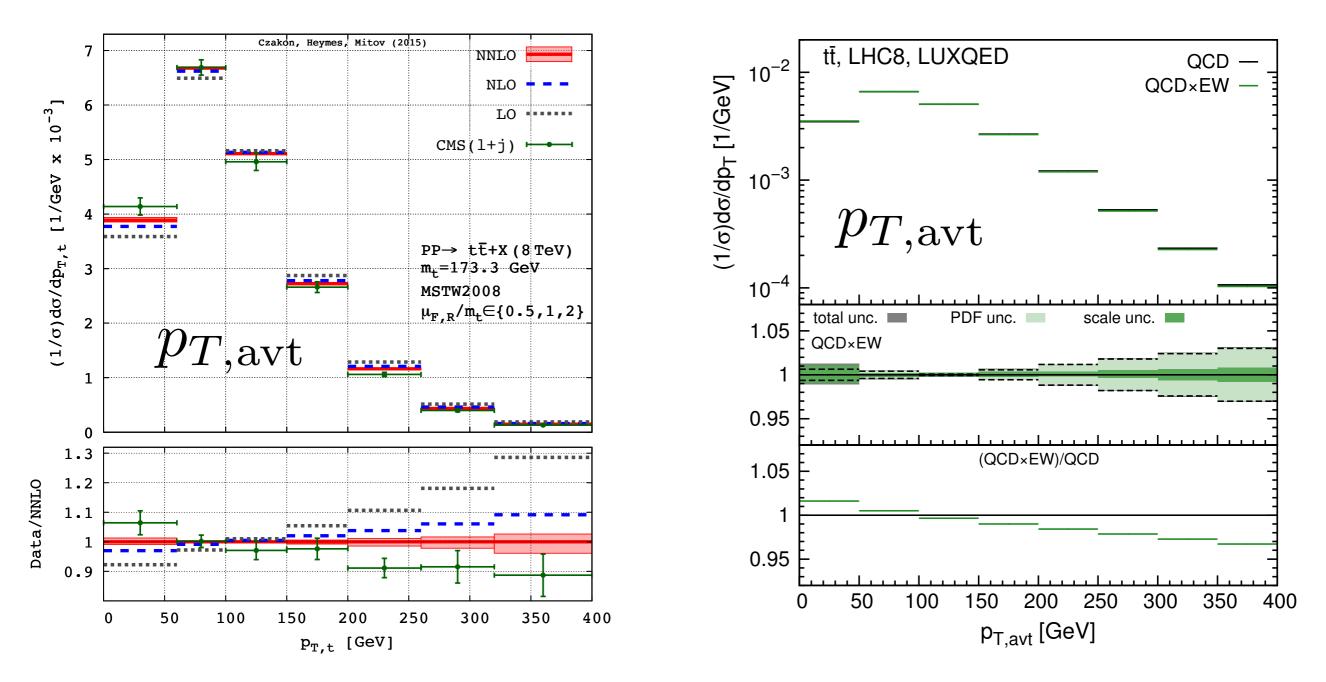


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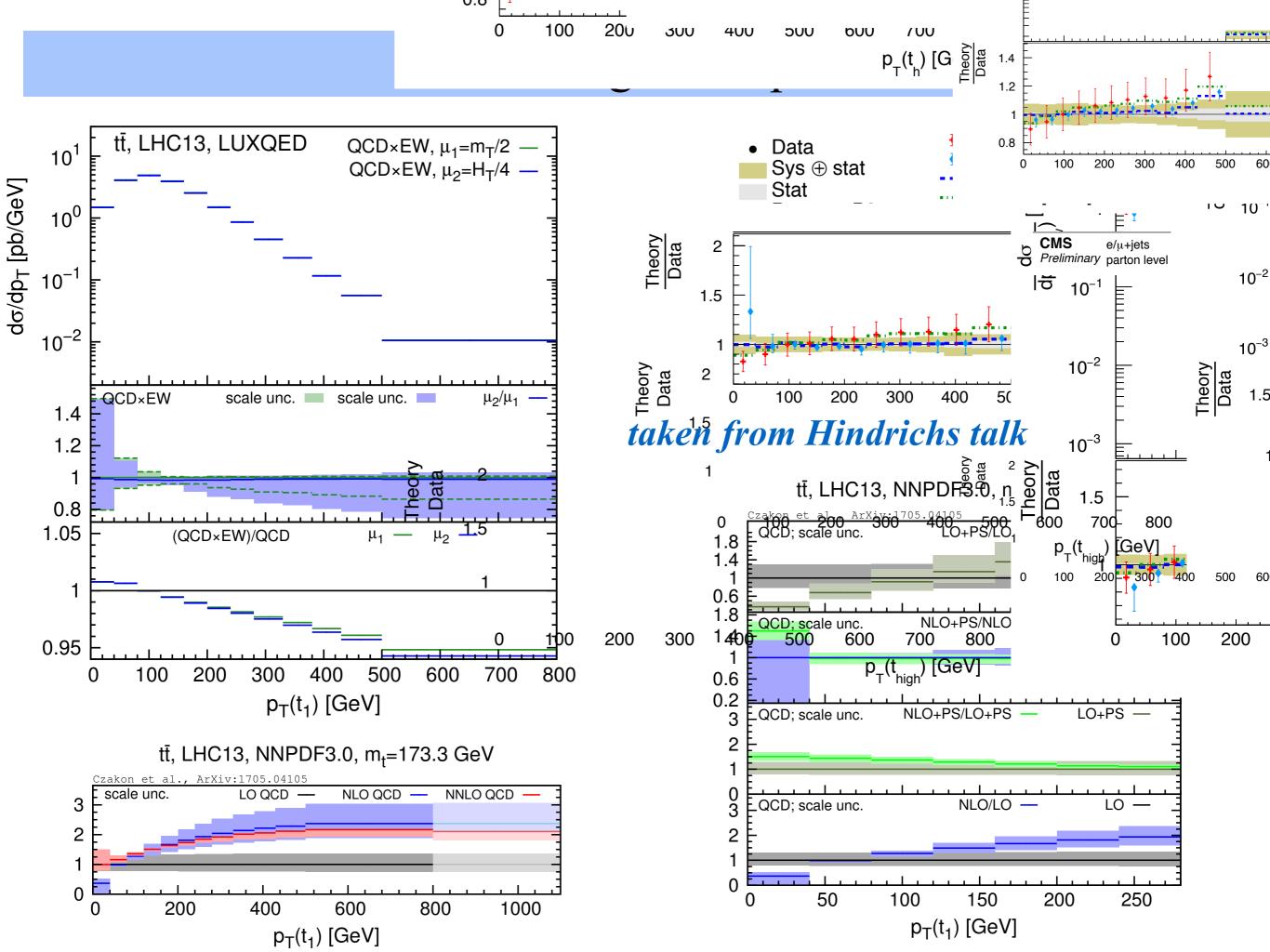
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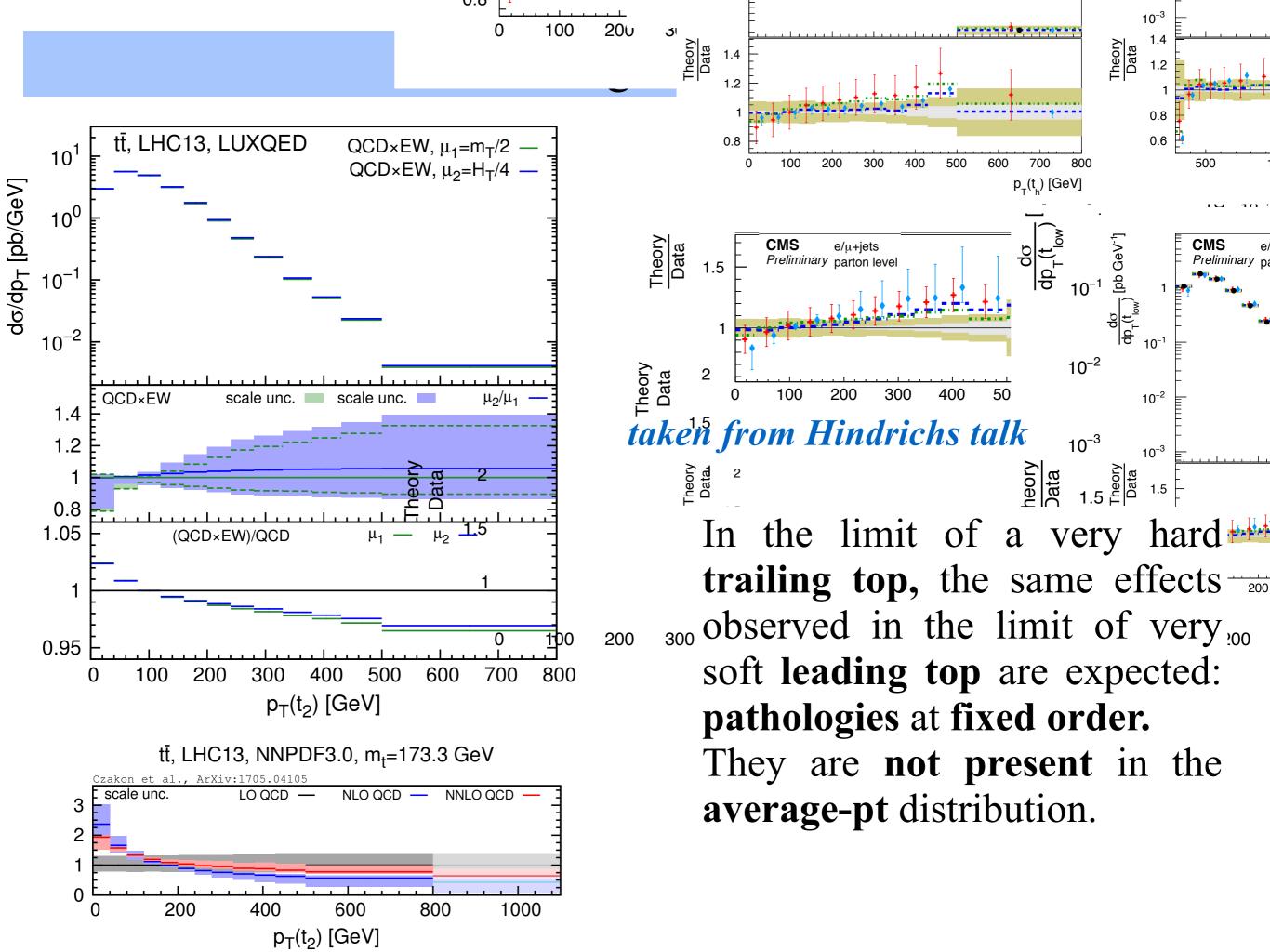
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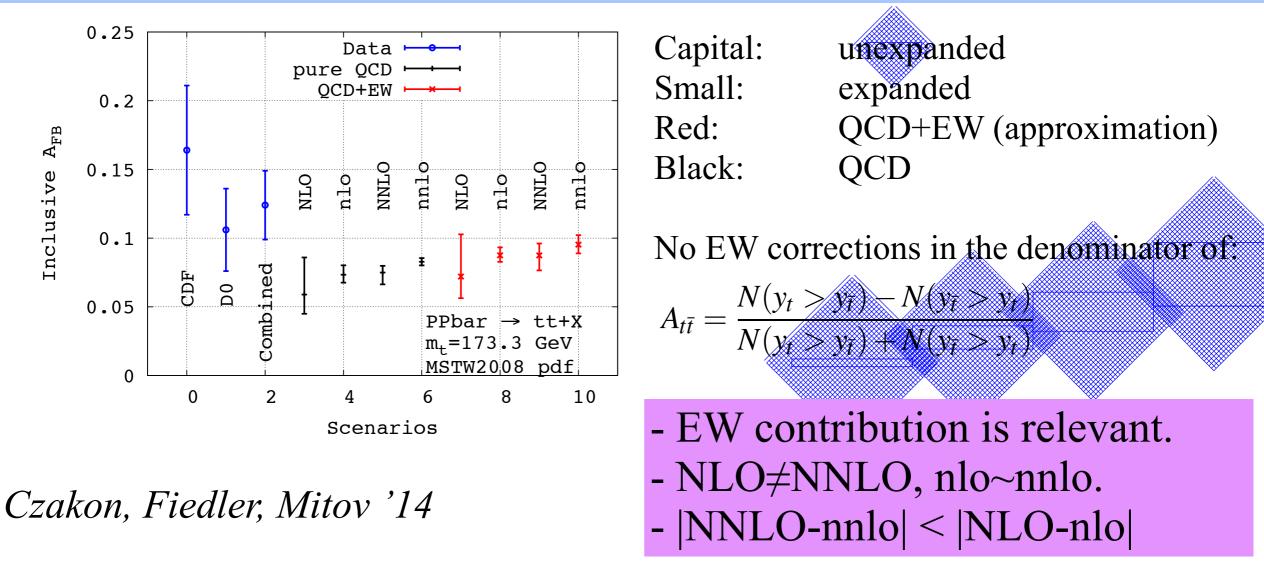
Normalised distribution with smaller range





Charge Asymmetry

What is already known:



The bulk of EW corrections is **not** a Sudakov effect, it is of QED origin and it can easily be obtained from NLO QCD calculation. Hollik, DP '11 $R_{QED}(Q_q) = \frac{\alpha \tilde{N}_1^{QED}}{\alpha N_1} = Q_q Q_t \frac{36 \alpha}{5}$

PDF uncertainties are negligible; there are large cancellations in the ratio.

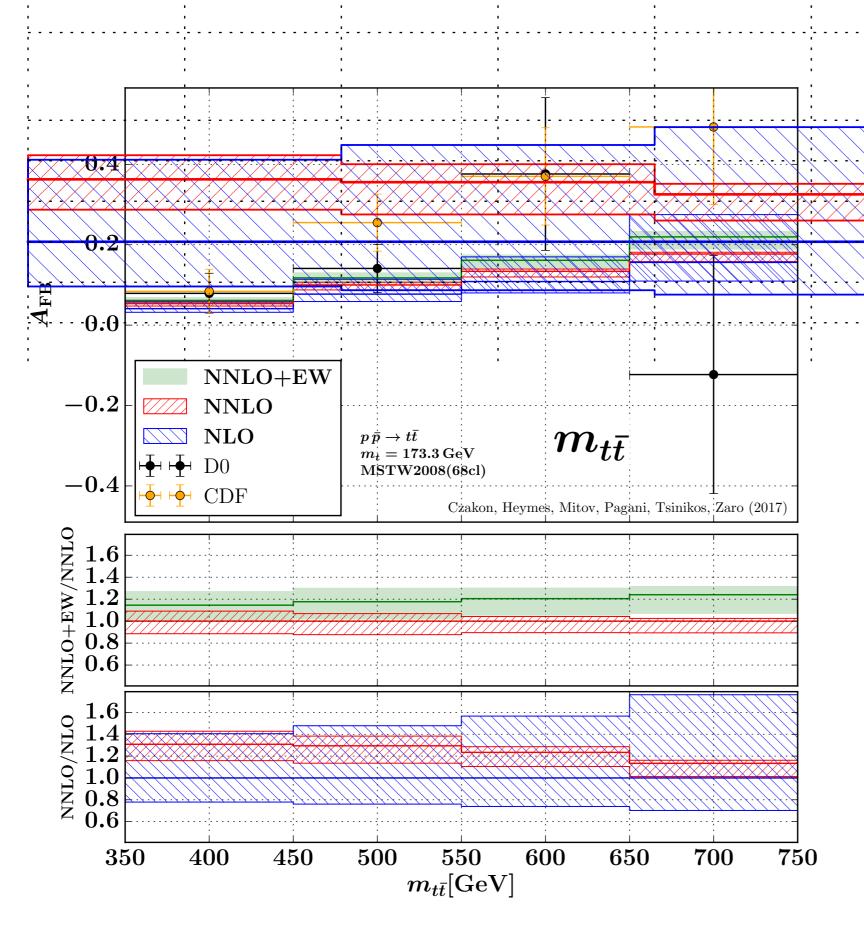
Preliminary results

Differential distributions

Additive approach (QCD +EW, all LO and NLO included)

Unexpanded definition for the asymmetry

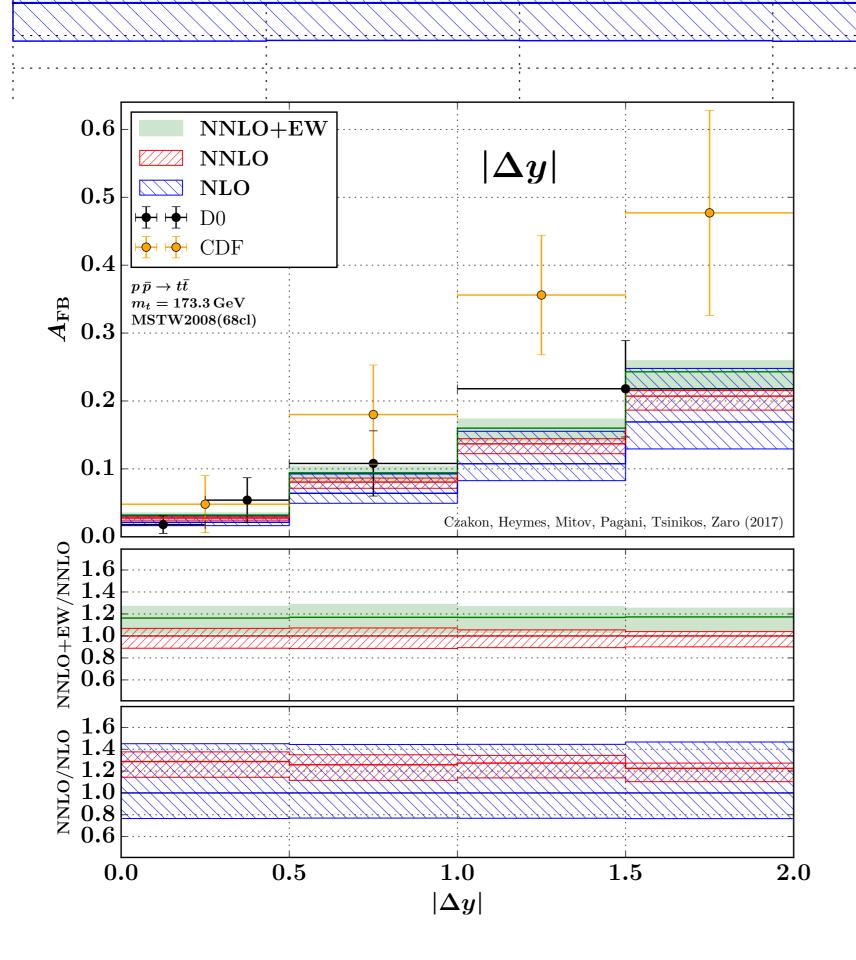
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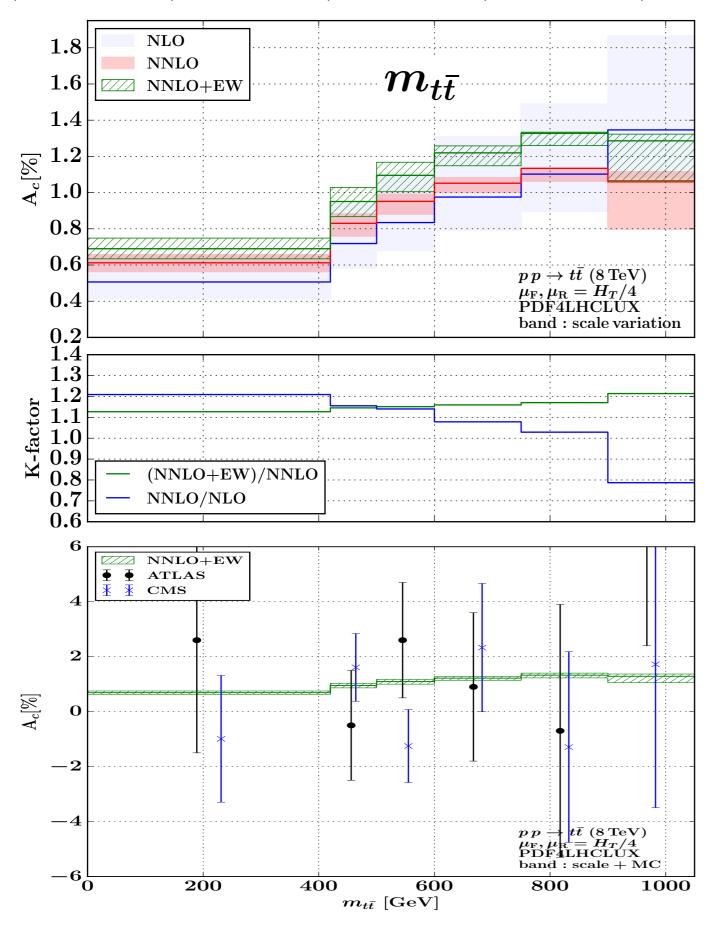
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Tevatron

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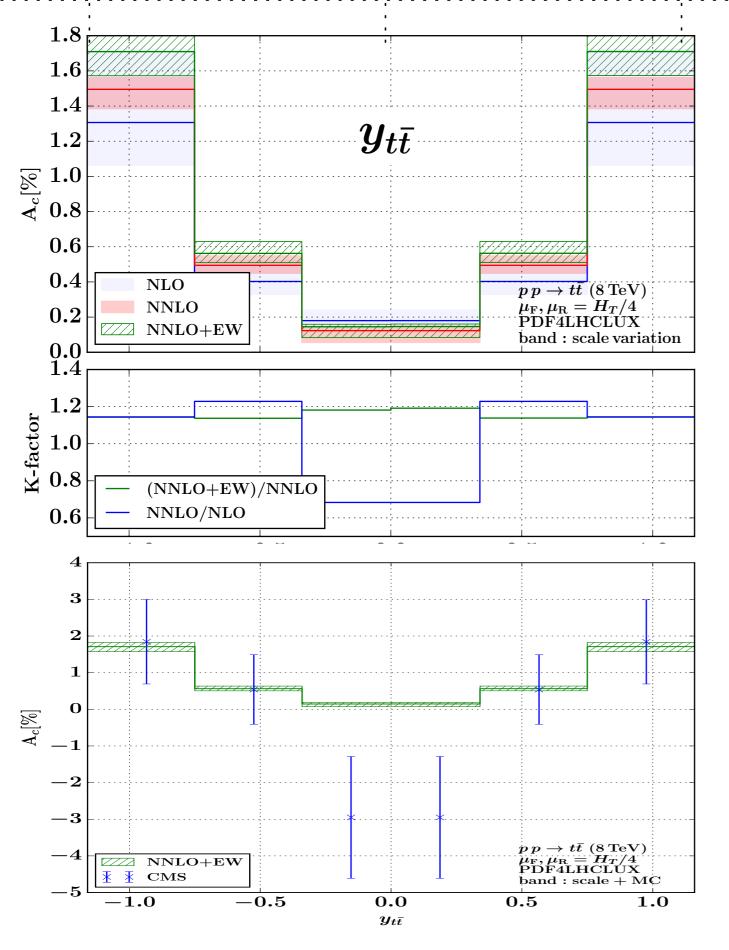
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LHC 8 TeV Central asymmetry

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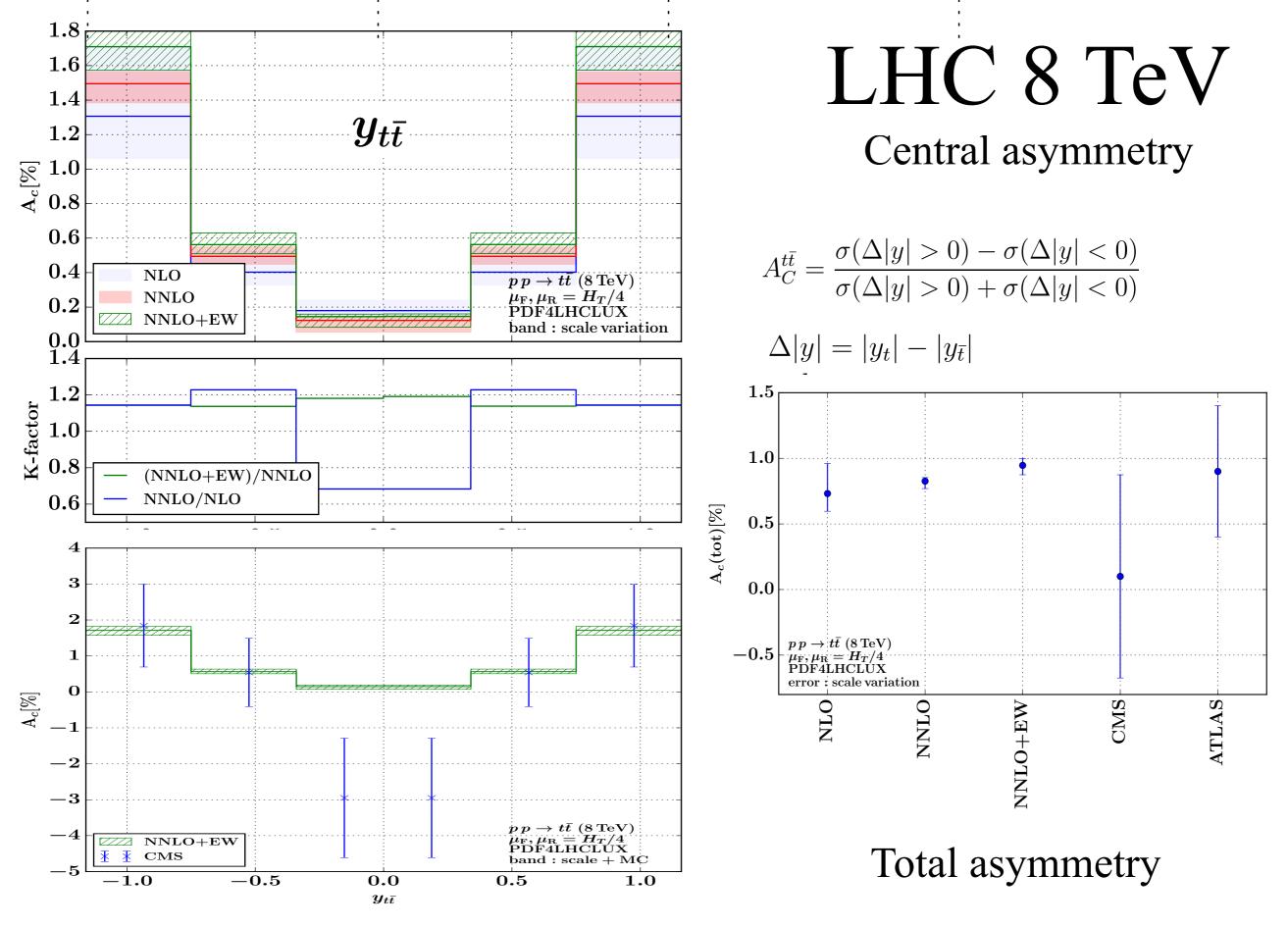


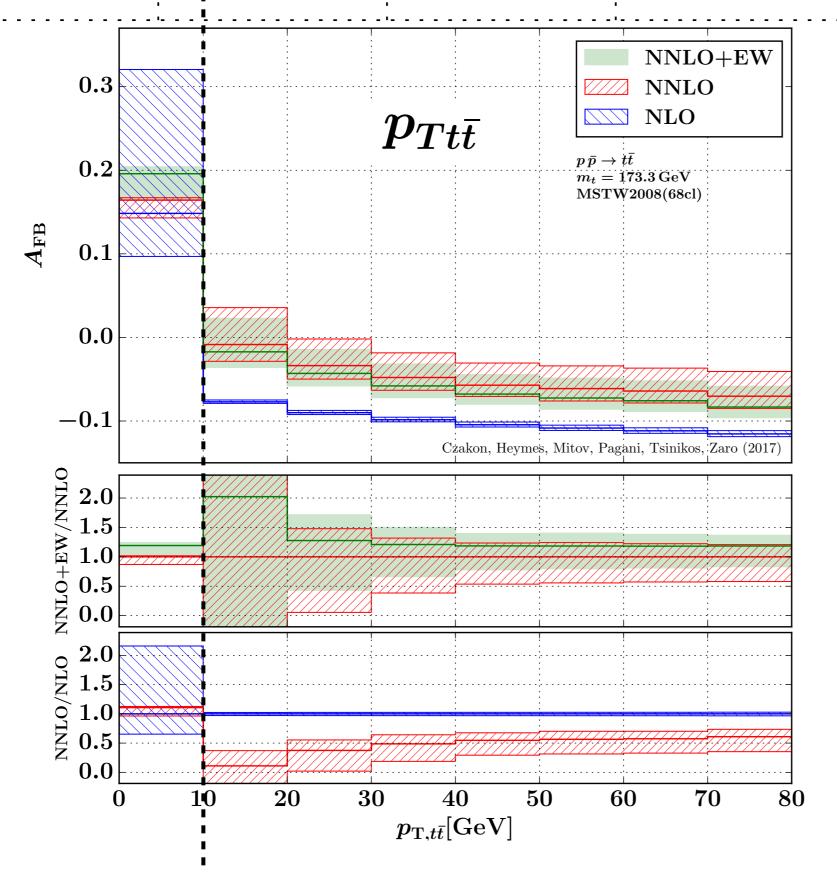
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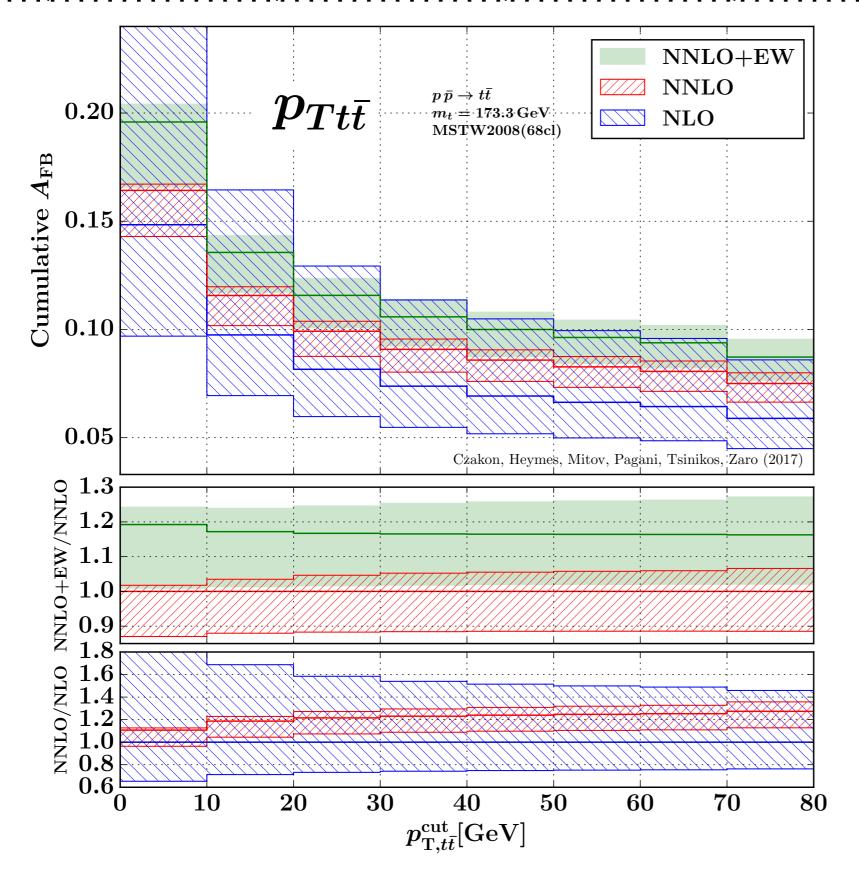




back to **Tevatron**

NNLO accuracy is present **only** in the first bin.

EW corrections are large w.r.t. the "NNLO" results. They are within the "NNLO" scale uncertainty **only from** the second bin On.



back to **Tevatron**

NNLO accuracy is present in all bins.

EW corrections are large. They are **outside** the NNLO scale uncertainty band.

$$A_{\rm FB}(p_{T,t\bar{t}} < p_{T,t\bar{t}}^{\rm cut})$$

Conclusion

We provided predictions at **NNLO QCD** accuracy and including **EW** corrections (complete-NLO) for ttbar production at the LHC (**8**, **13 TeV**). Both **differential distributions** and **asymmetries** have been considered.

In pt distributions at 13 TeV EW corrections are outside the NNLO QCD scaleuncertainty band (for LUXQED). Additively combining EW corrections, the total scale uncertainty is larger than with QCD only.

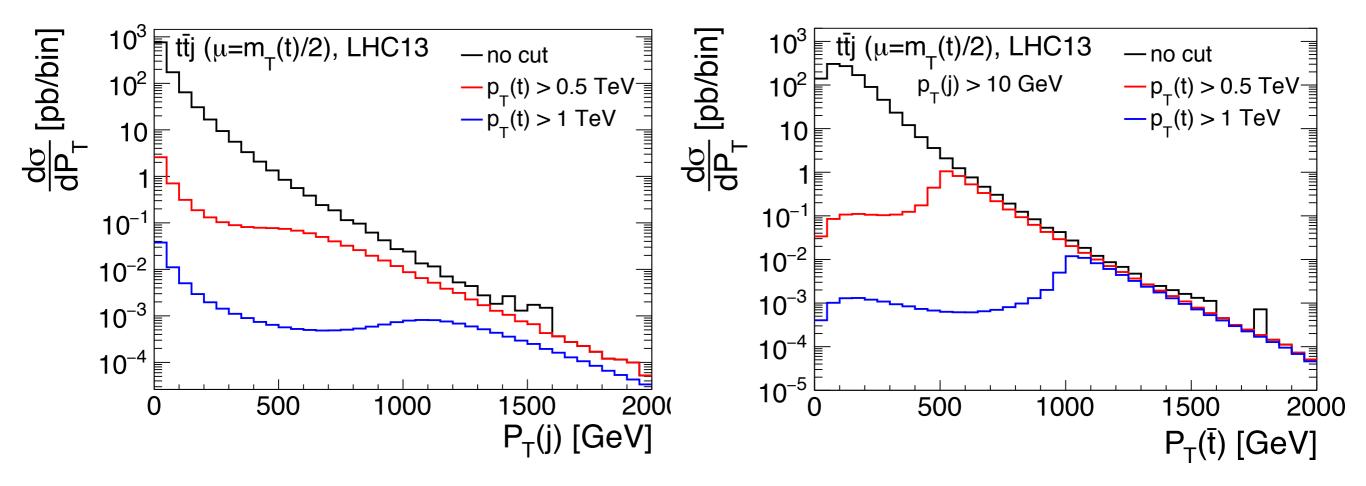
Results are strongly affected by the photon PDF parametrization (LUXqed vs. NNPDF3.0) and LUXqed should be preferred.

The combination in the multiplicative approach leads to a reduction of scale uncertainties. Still, in pt distribution, EW corrections are comparable to the total theory uncertainty (scale+PDF), and QCD and QCDxEW bands do not overlap.

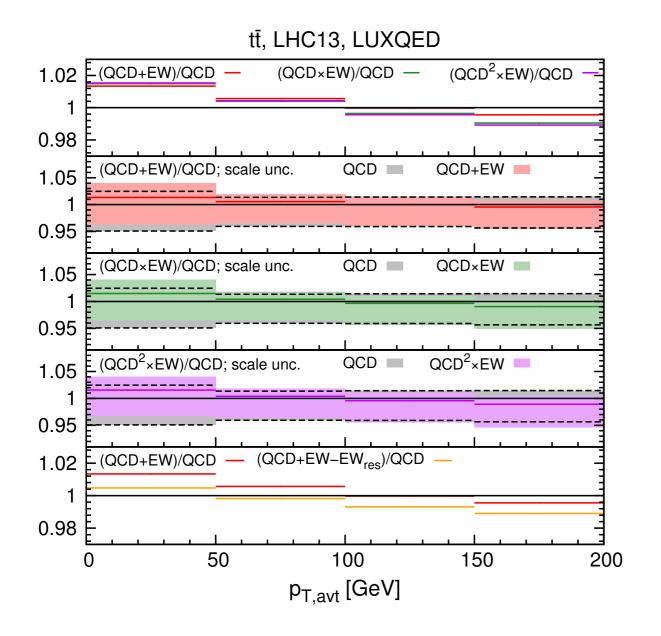
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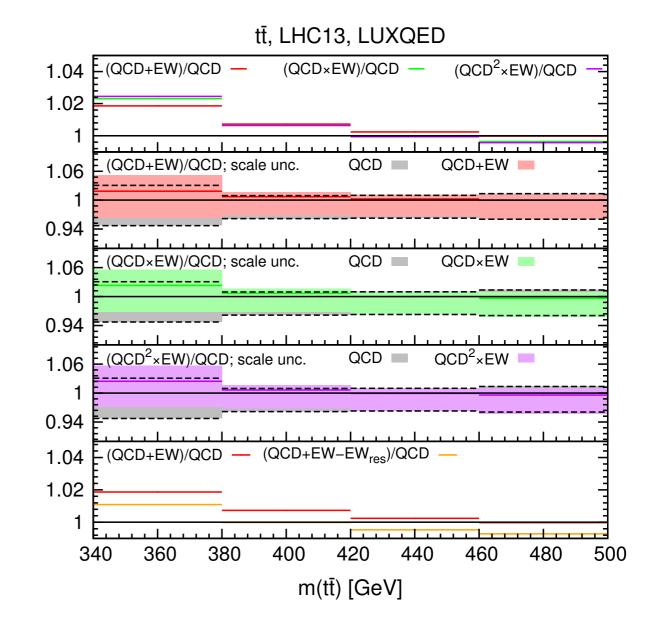
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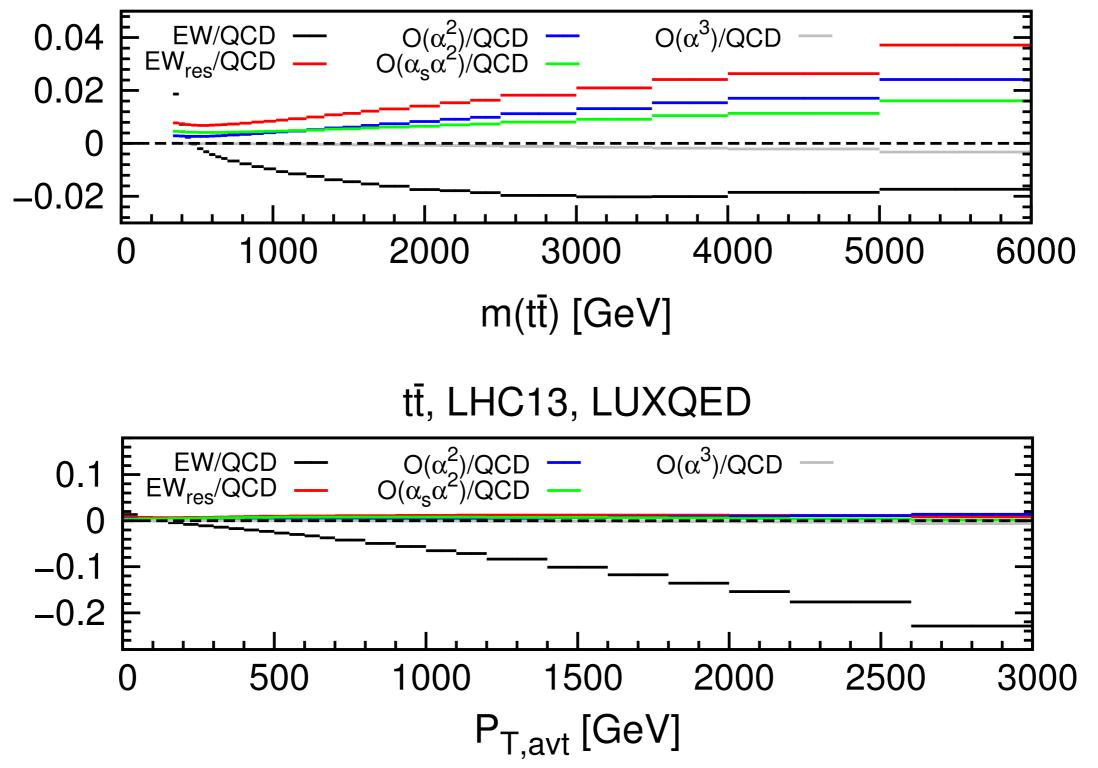
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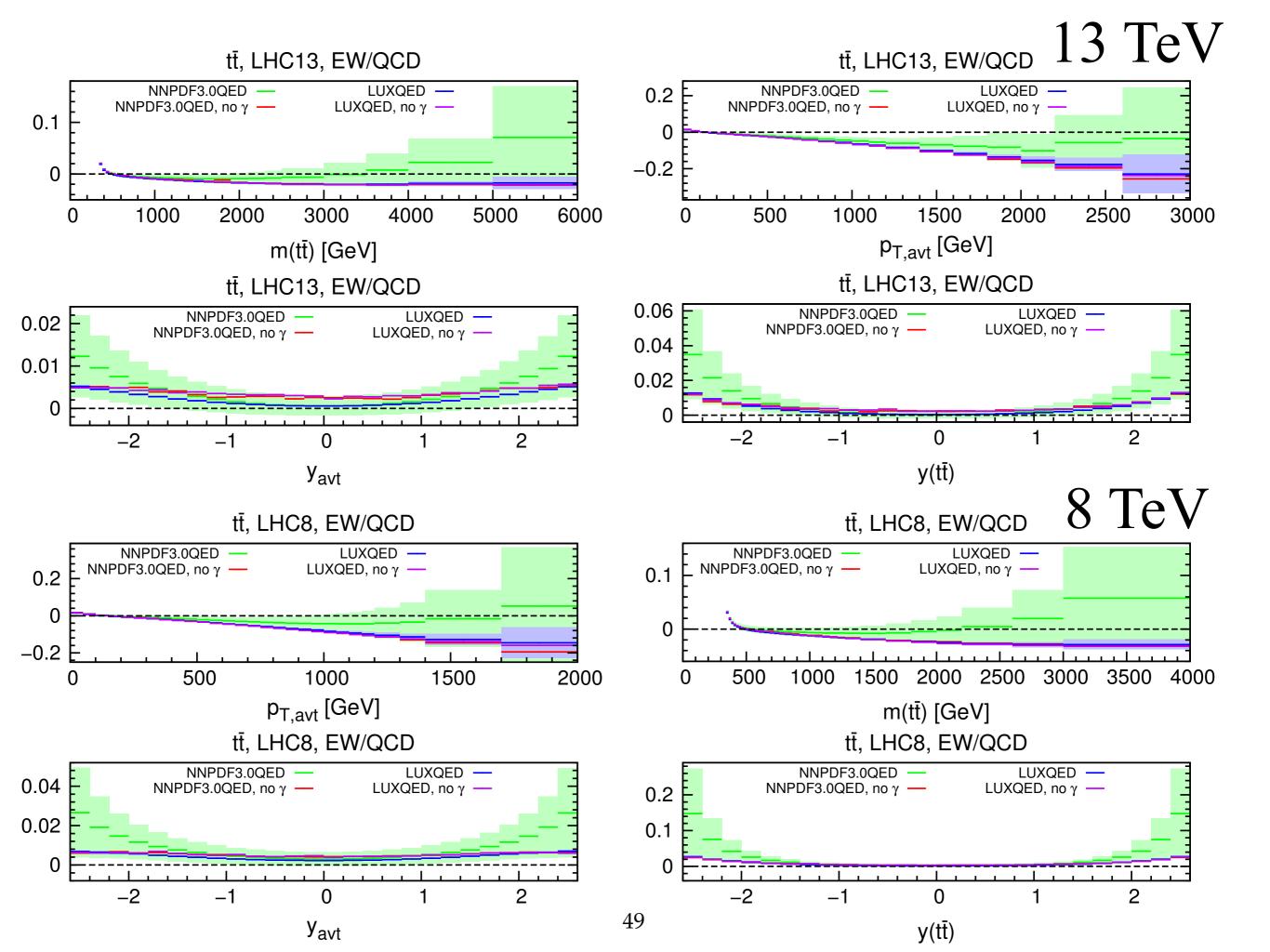


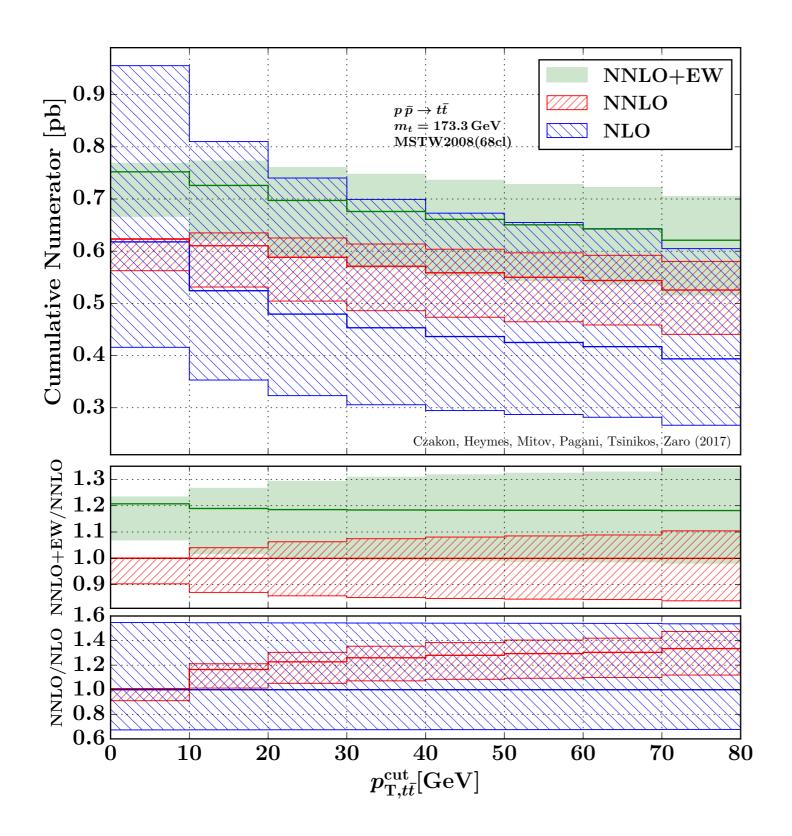


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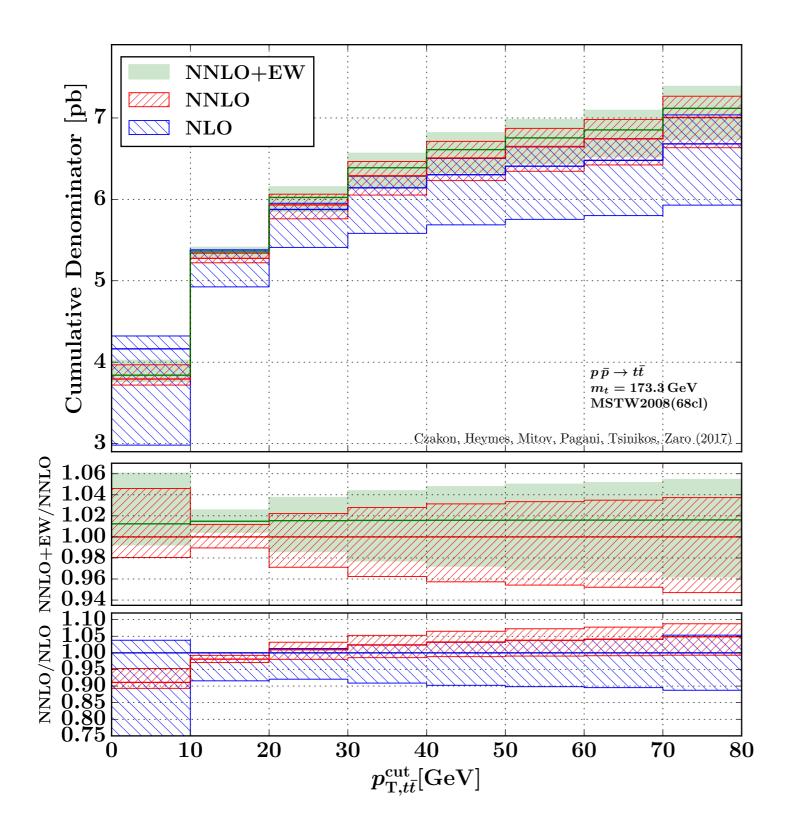






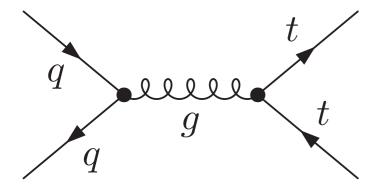
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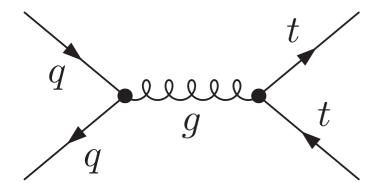
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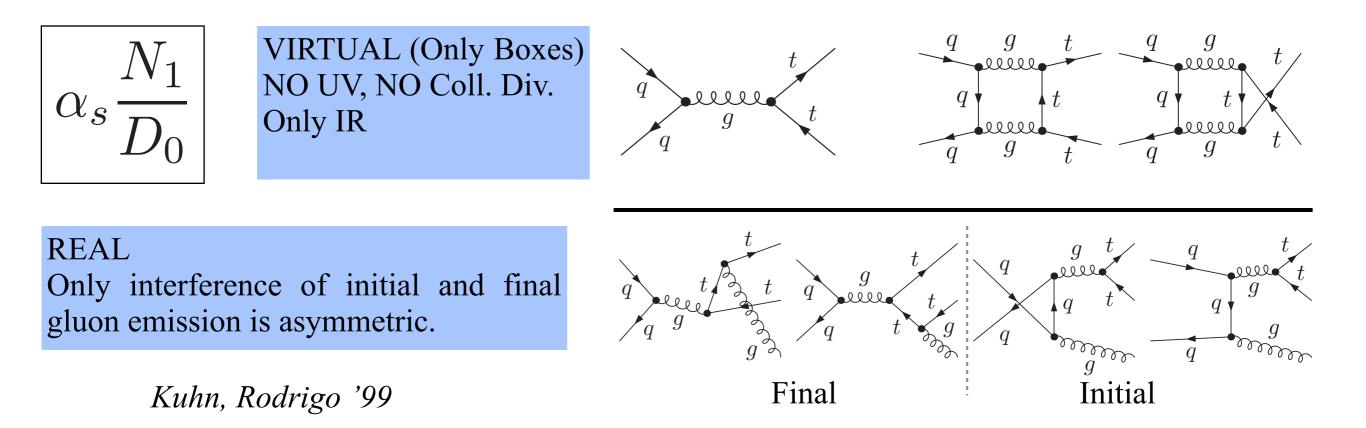
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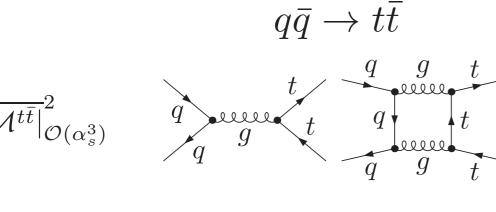
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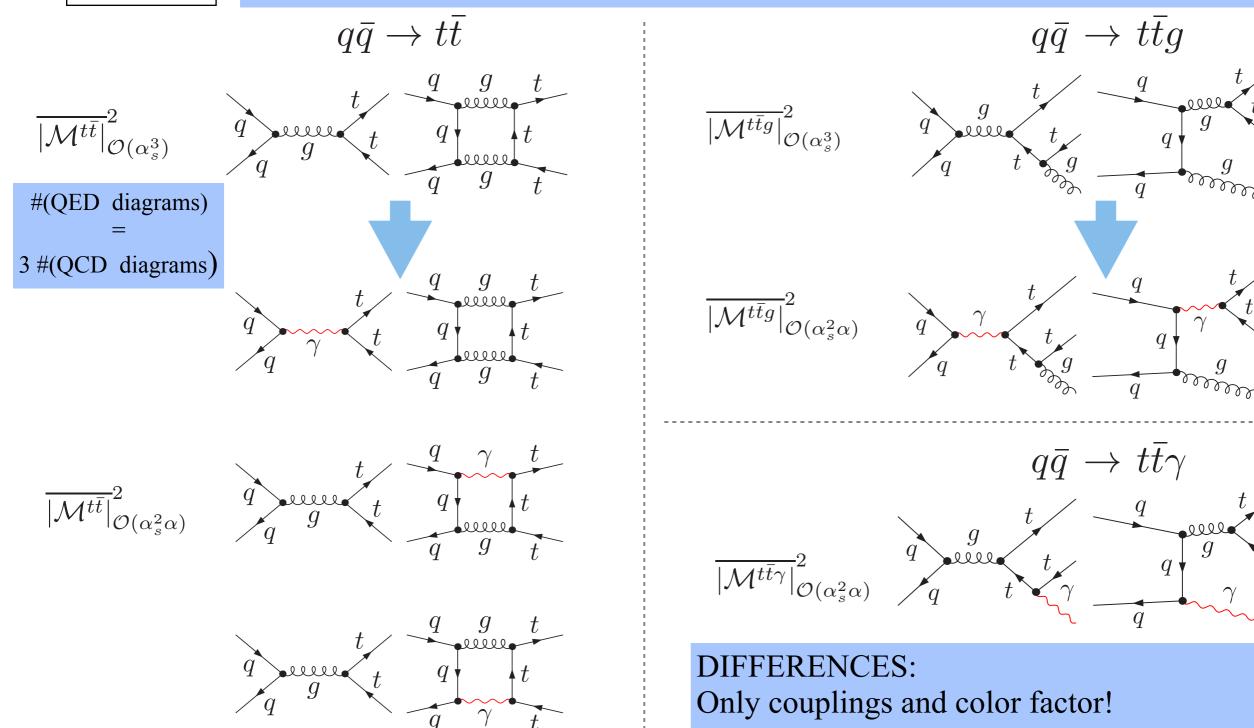




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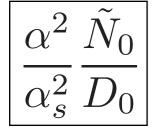
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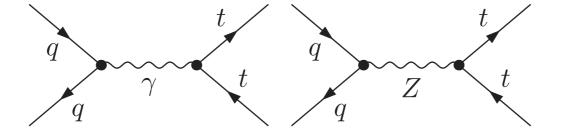
QED correction can be obtained from QCD \times R_{QED}



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Z is not massless \rightarrow If we write Weak=QCD × R_{Weak}. R_{Weak} does not depend only on couplings and color factor





Different couplings for different chiralities produce asymmetric terms in the cross-section

 $\frac{d\sigma_{asym}}{d\cos\theta} = 2\pi\alpha^2\cos\theta\Big(1 - \frac{4m_t^2}{s}\Big)\Big[\kappa\frac{Q_qQ_tA_qA_t}{(s - M_Z^2)} + 2\kappa^2A_qA_tV_qV_t\frac{s}{(s - M_Z^2)^2}\Big]$

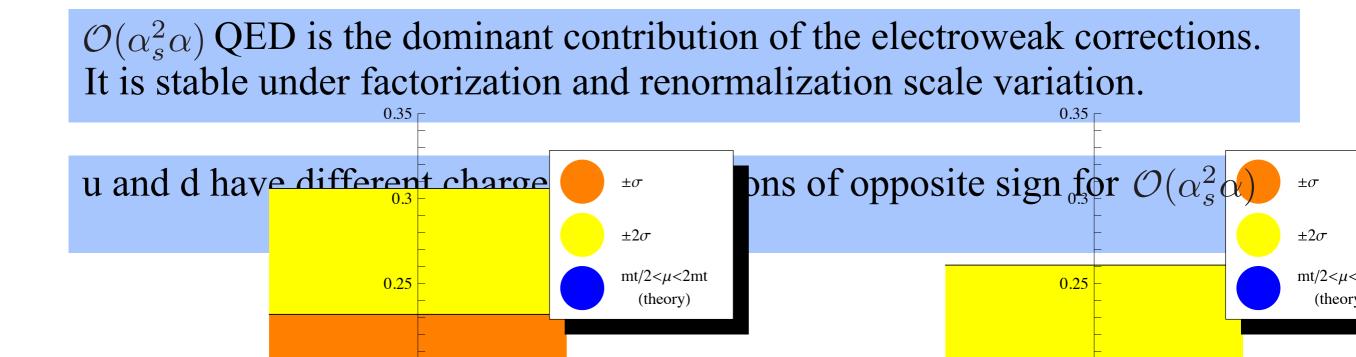
Forward-backward asymmetry

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$A_{FB}^{t\bar{t}}$	$\mu = m_t/2$	$\mu = m_t$	$\mu = 2m_t$
${\cal O}(lpha_s^3)$ $uar u$	7.01%	6.29%	5.71%
${\cal O}(lpha_s^3) ~~ dar d$	1.16%	1.03%	0.92%
${\cal O}(lpha_s^2 lpha)_{QED} ~~uar{u}$	1.35%	1.35%	1.35%
$\mathcal{O}(lpha_s^2 lpha)_{QED} \ \ d\bar{d}$	-0.11%	-0.11%	-0.11%
${\cal O}(lpha_s^2 lpha)_{weak} ~~ u ar u$	0.16%	0.16%	0.16%
$\mathcal{O}(lpha_s^2 lpha)_{weak} ~~ dar{d}$	-0.04%	-0.04%	-0.04%
${\cal O}(lpha^2)$ $uar u$	0.18%	0.23%	0.28%
${\cal O}(lpha^2) ~~ dar d$	0.02%	0.03%	0.03%
tot $p \bar{p}$	9.72%	8.93%	8.31%

 $R_{QED}^{u\bar{u}} = (0.192, 0.214, 0.237)$ $R_{QED}^{d\bar{d}} = (-0.096, -0.107, -0.119)$

- R_{QED} depend only on the renormalization scale, not on A_{FB} definitions and cuts.
(with fixed scales)

Hollik, DP '11



Charge asymmetry

At the LHC same partonic processes, but different partonic luminosities.

The gluon-gluon luminosity is larger, so the asymmetry is smaller. Gluon-quark initial states start to be "interesting" (per mill).

The ratio of integrated luminosities $u\bar{u}/d\bar{d}$ at the Tevatron(LHC) is 4(2). The cancellation between QED contributions is bigger. The EW contribution at the LHC is in general smaller (~ 15%, 20% of QCD contribution).

$$R_{QED}(Q_q) = \frac{\alpha \tilde{N}_1^{QED}}{\alpha_s N_1} = Q_q Q_t \frac{36}{5} \frac{\alpha}{\alpha_s}$$

\sqrt{S}			$M_c = 2m_t$	$0.5 { m TeV}$	$0.7 { m TeV}$	1 TeV
$7 { m TeV}$	QCD:	$A_C^{\Delta y } \ (\%)$	1.07(4)	1.27(4)	1.68(4)	2.06(5)
	QCD + EW:	$A_C^{\Delta y } \ (\%)$	1.23(5)	1.48(4)	1.95(4)	2.40(6)
8 TeV	QCD:	$A_C^{\Delta y } \ (\%)$	0.96(4)	1.14(4)	1.48(4)	1.85(4)
	QCD + EW:	$A_C^{\Delta y } \ (\%)$	1.11(4)	1.33(5)	1.73(5)	2.20(5)
			$M_c = 2m_t$	$0.5 { m TeV}$	1 TeV	2 TeV
14 TeV	QCD:	$A_C^{\Delta y } \ (\%)$	0.58(3)	0.74(3)	1.11(5)	1.72(10)
	QCD + EW:	$A_C^{\Delta y } \ (\%)$	0.67(4)	0.86(5)	1.32(8)	2.12(10)

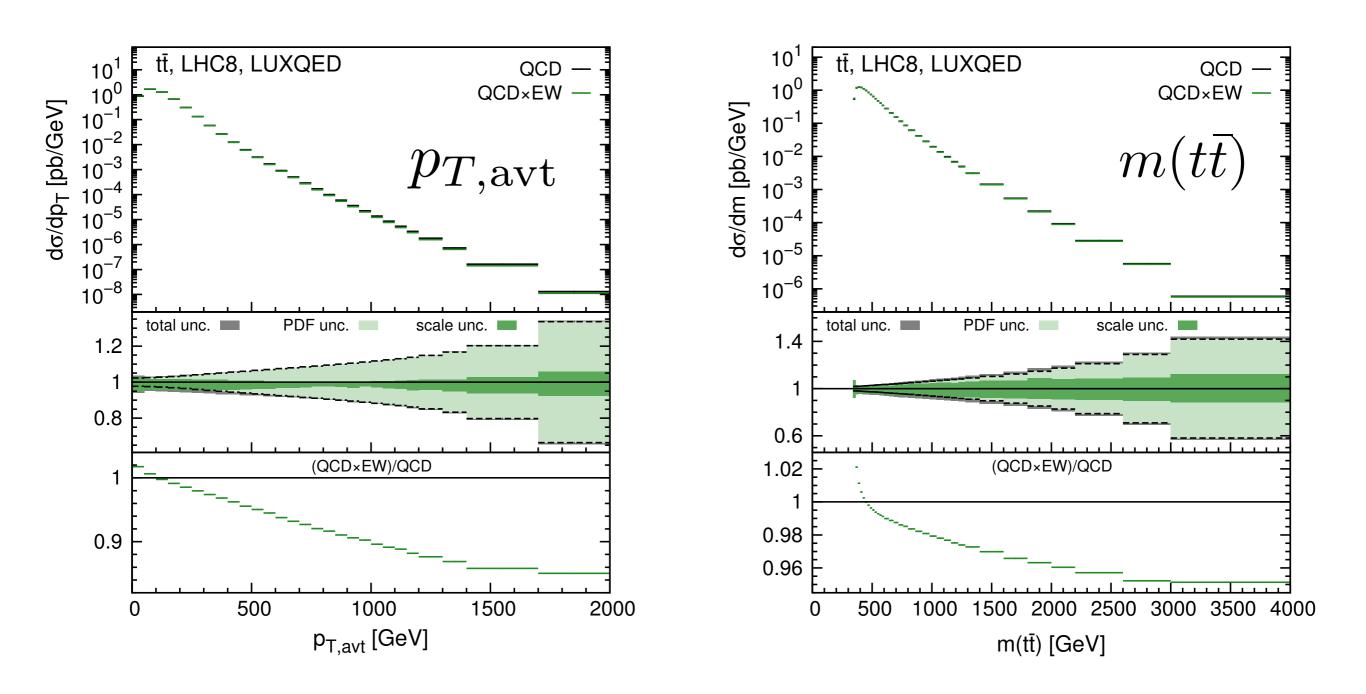
Bernreuther, Si '12

$m_{t\bar{t}}[\text{GeV}]$	$A_{FB}(m_{t\bar{t}})$				
	NLO	NNLO			
[350 ; 450]	$4.10^{+1.66+0.07+1.66}_{-0.90-0.10-0.91} \times 10^{-2}$	$5.36^{+0.49+0.09+0.50}_{-0.61-0.07-0.62} \times 10^{-2}$			
[450 ; 550]	$7.71^{+3.69+0.09+3.69}_{-1.85-0.34-1.88} \times 10^{-2}$	$9.98^{+0.68+0.15+0.70}_{-1.23-0.17-1.24} \times 10^{-2}$			
[550;650]	$1.08^{+0.61+0.09+0.62}_{-0.28-0.00-0.28} \times 10^{-1}$	$1.34^{+0.06+0.03+0.06}_{-0.14-0.02-0.14} \times 10^{-1}$			
[650 ; 750]	$1.56^{+1.19+0.03+1.19}_{-0.46-0.03-0.47} \times 10^{-1}$	$1.77^{+0.04+0.03+0.06}_{-0.19-0.02-0.19} \times 10^{-1}$			

Table 11. $m_{t\bar{t}}$ dependent A_{FB} in NLO and NNLO QCD. The format is $central \pm scales \pm pdf \pm total$. The lowest and highest bins contain spillover events.

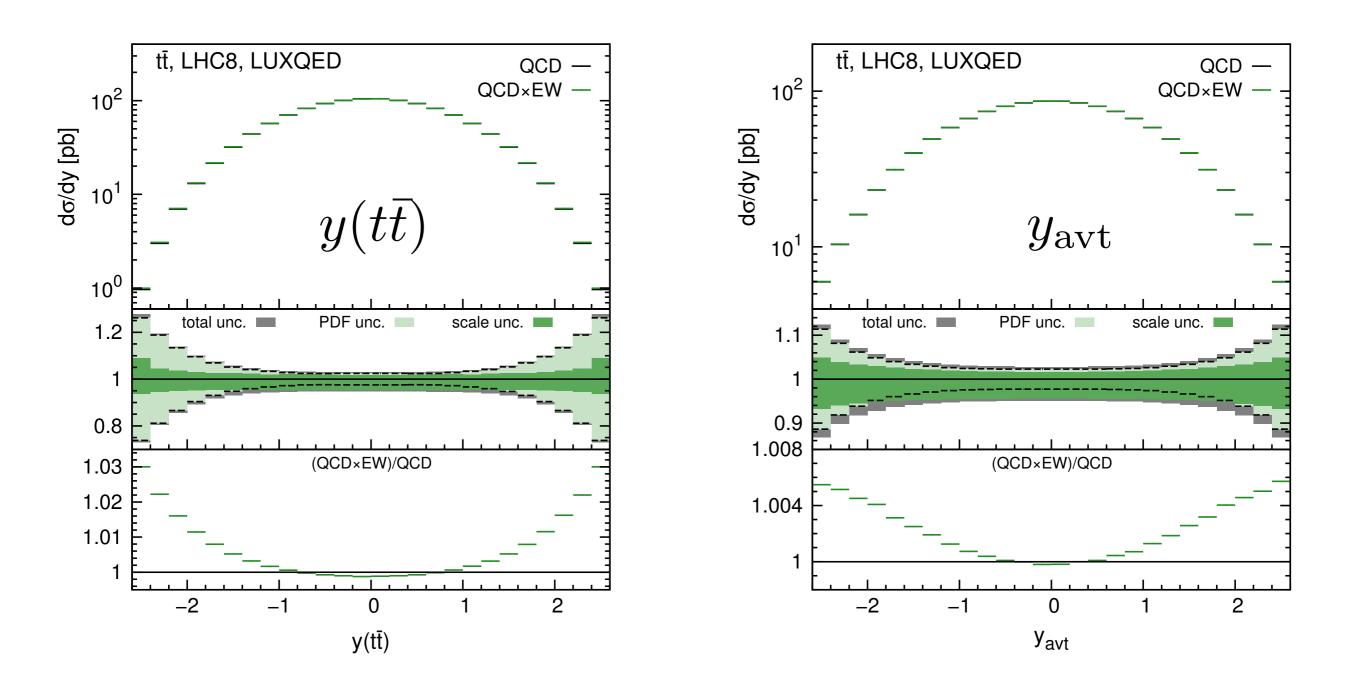
8 TeV

MULTIPLICATIVE with LUXQED

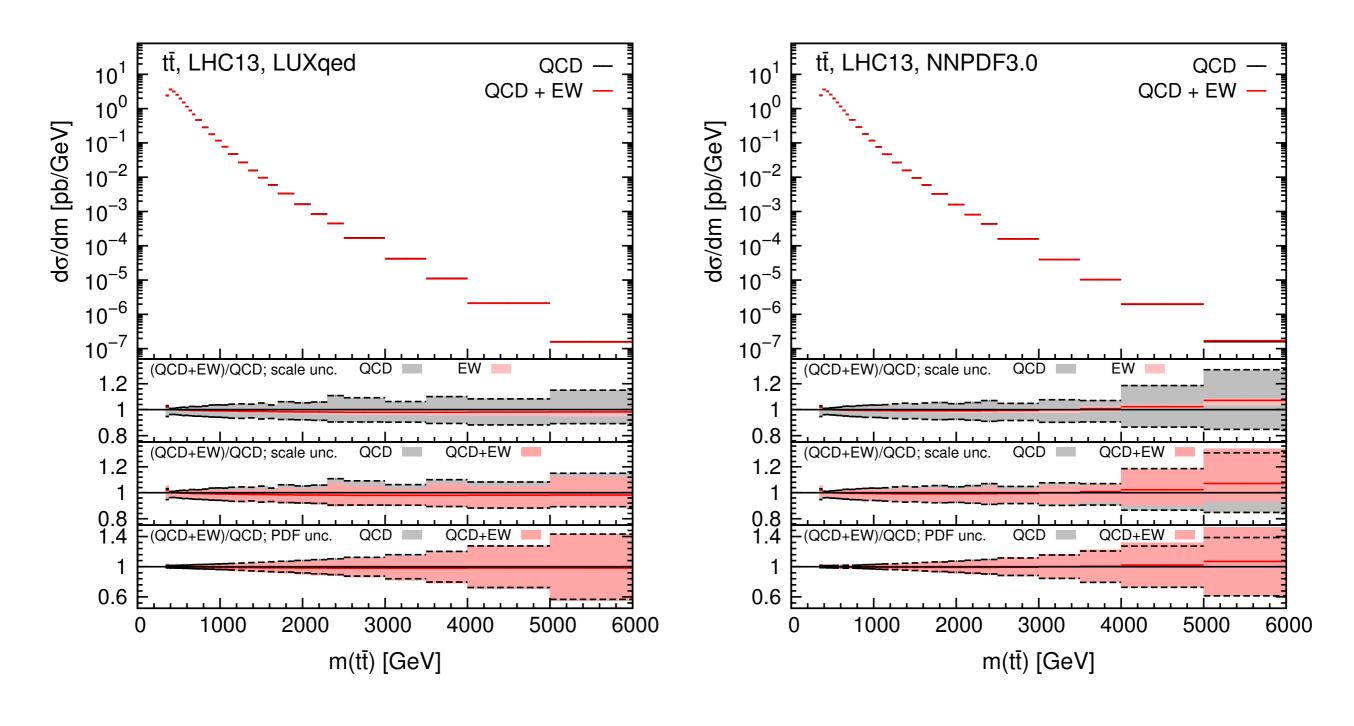


8 TeV

MULTIPLICATIVE with LUXQED



 $m(t\bar{t})$



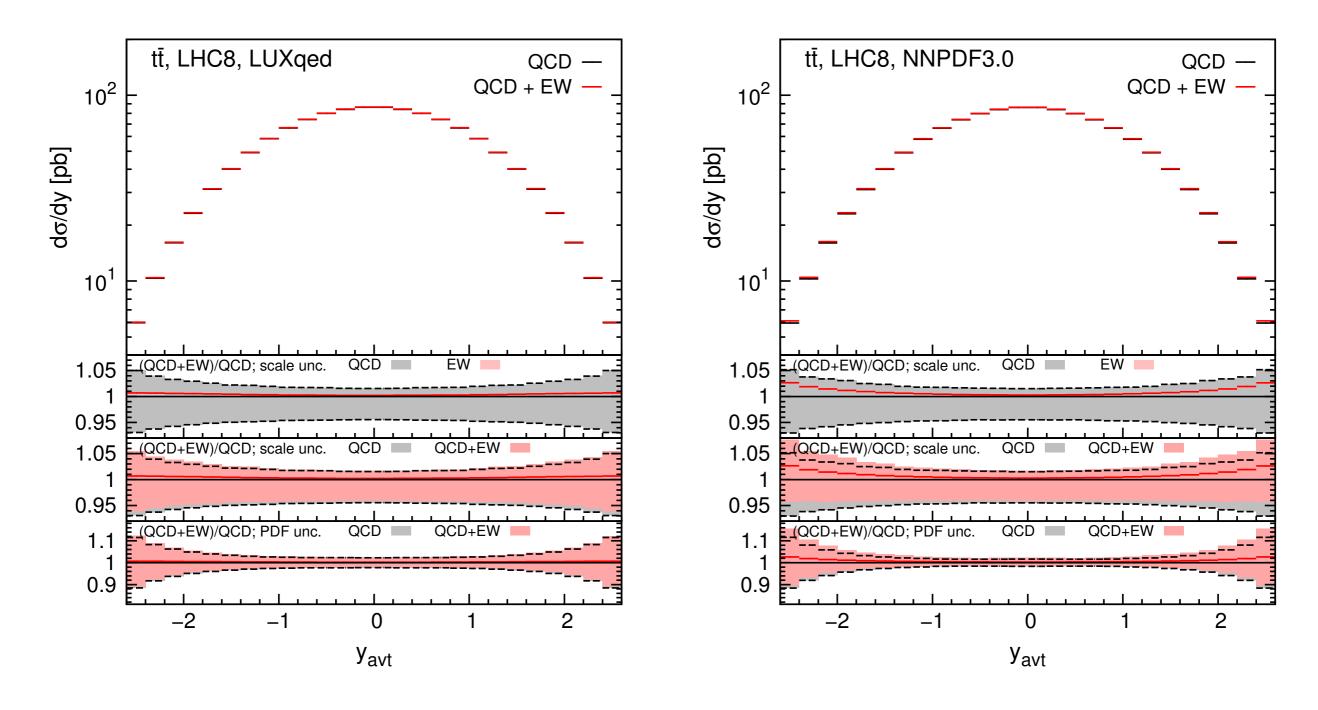
LUXQED

NNPDF3.0QED

13 TeV

8 TeV

 $y_{\rm avt}$



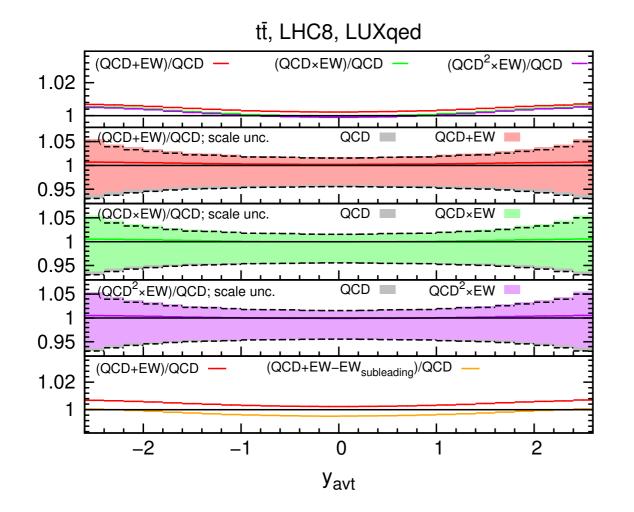
LUXQED

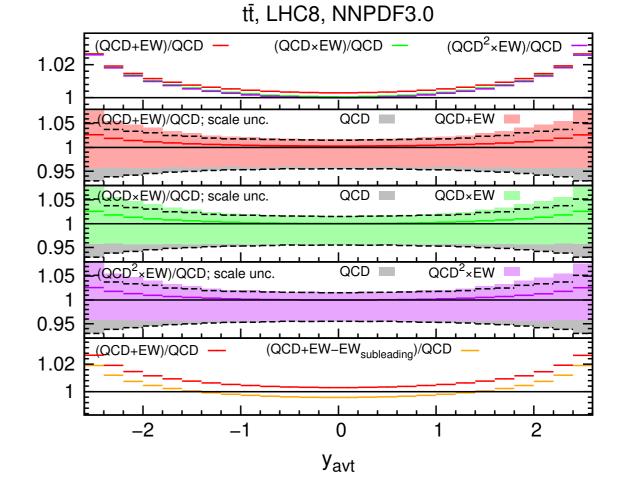
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 $y_{\rm avt}$



ADDITIVE (EXACT), MULTIPLICATIVE (NLO, NNLO)



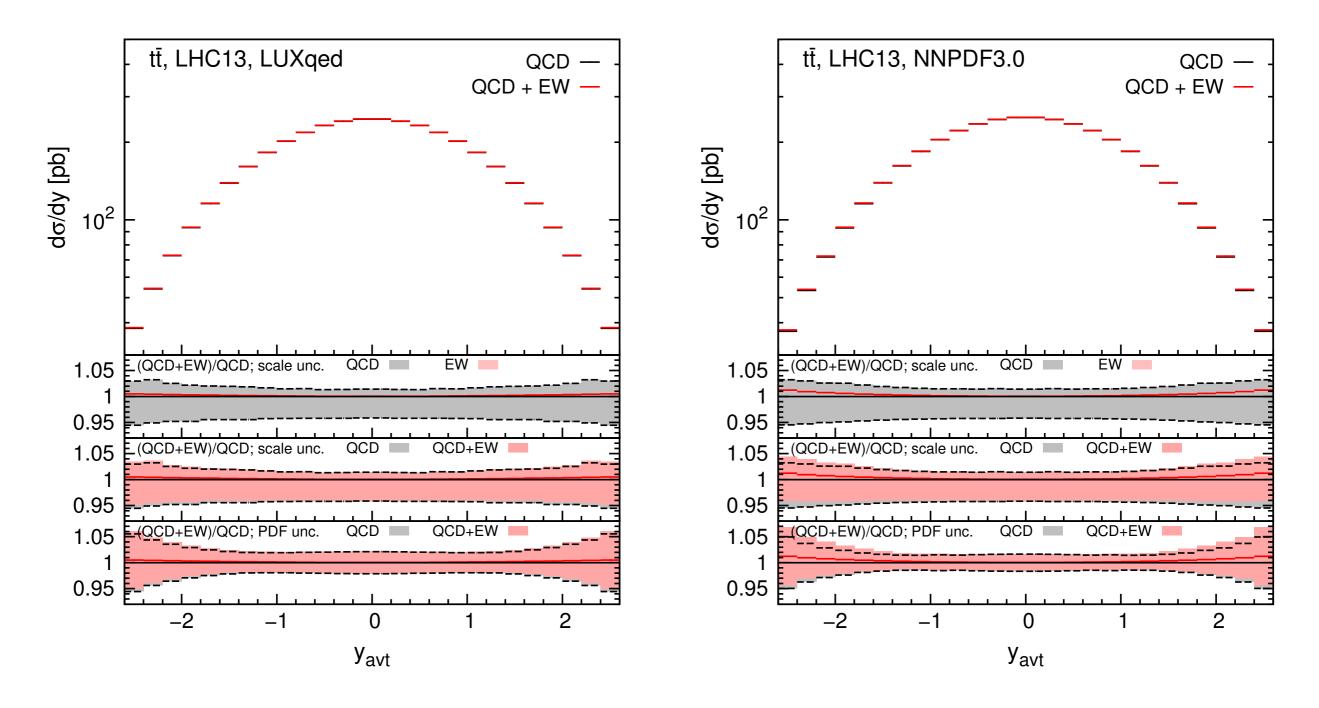


LUXQED

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13 TeV

 $y_{\rm avt}$

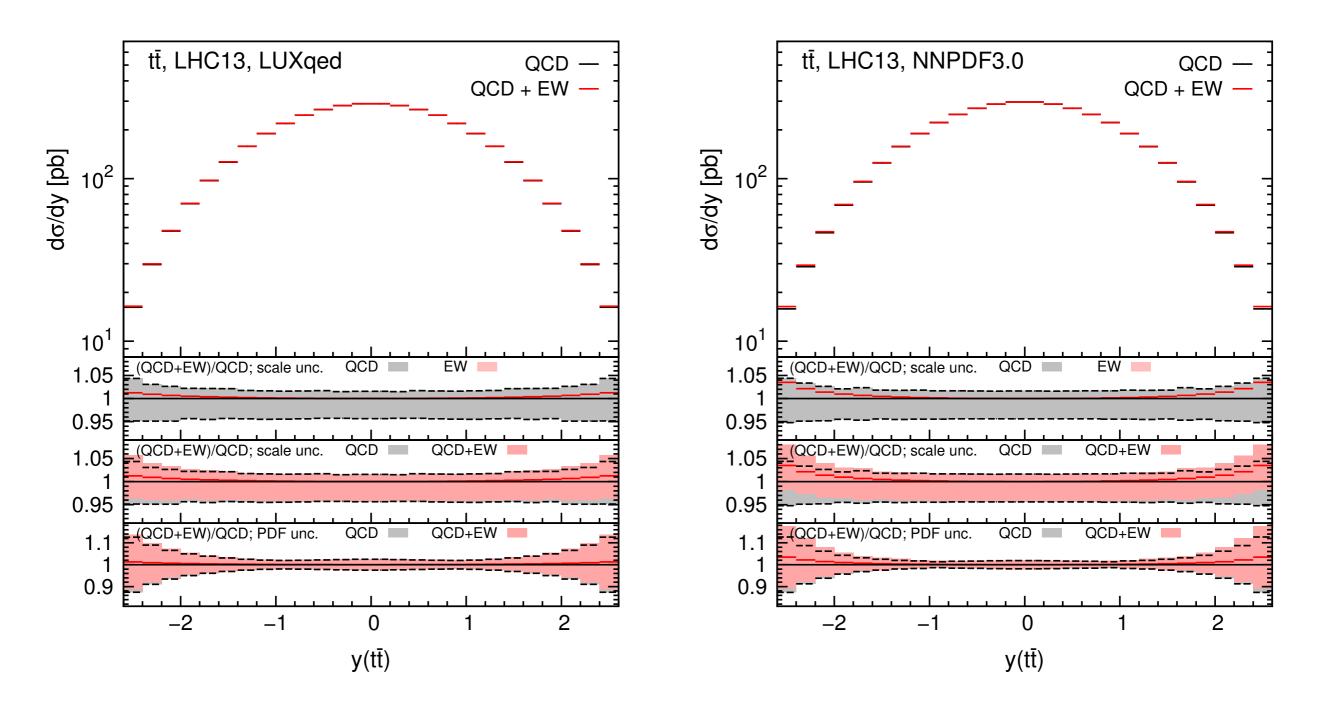


LUXQED

NNPDF3.0QED

13 TeV

 $y(t\bar{t})$



LUXQED

NNPDF3.0QED

PDF sets with a photon density

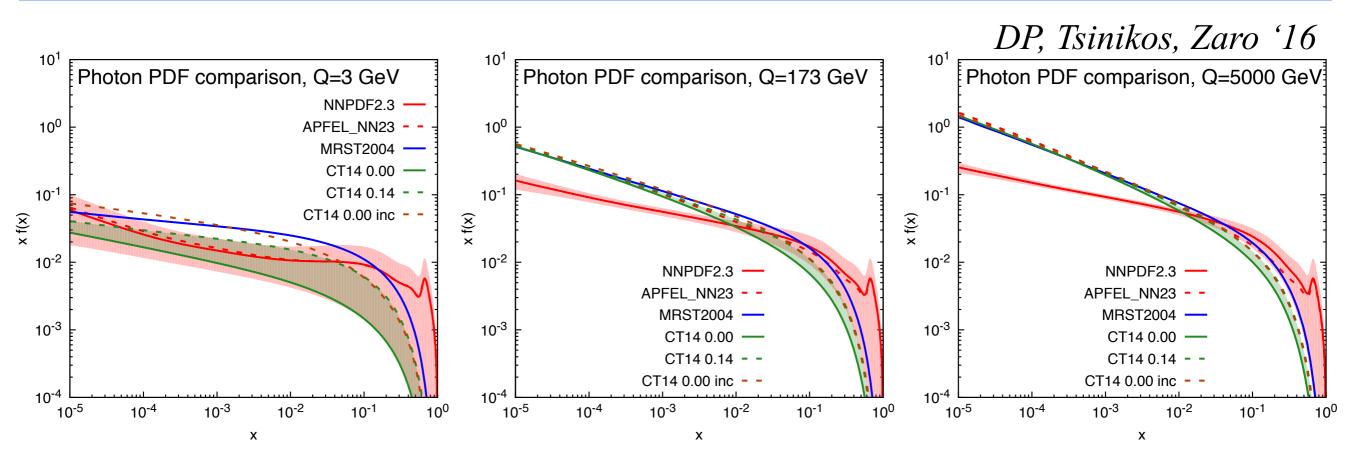
MRST2004QED: Martin et al. '04 NNPDF2.3QED: Ball et al. '13 CTEQ14QED(inc): Schmidt et al. '16 NNPDF3.0QED: Bertone, Carrazza '16 LUXQED: Manohar et al. '16 MMHTQED? '16 ? Additional Studies: Harland-Lang, Khoze, Ryskin '16

These PDF sets have at least NLO QCD + LO QED terms in the DGLAP evolution.

- The photon PDF determination is very different in the various sets.

- The different treatment of the QED and QCD DGLAP evolution has a huge impact at small x and large Q (**NNPDF2.3QED**), but does **not** lead to visible effects in ttbar phenomenology.

The different photon PDFs ...

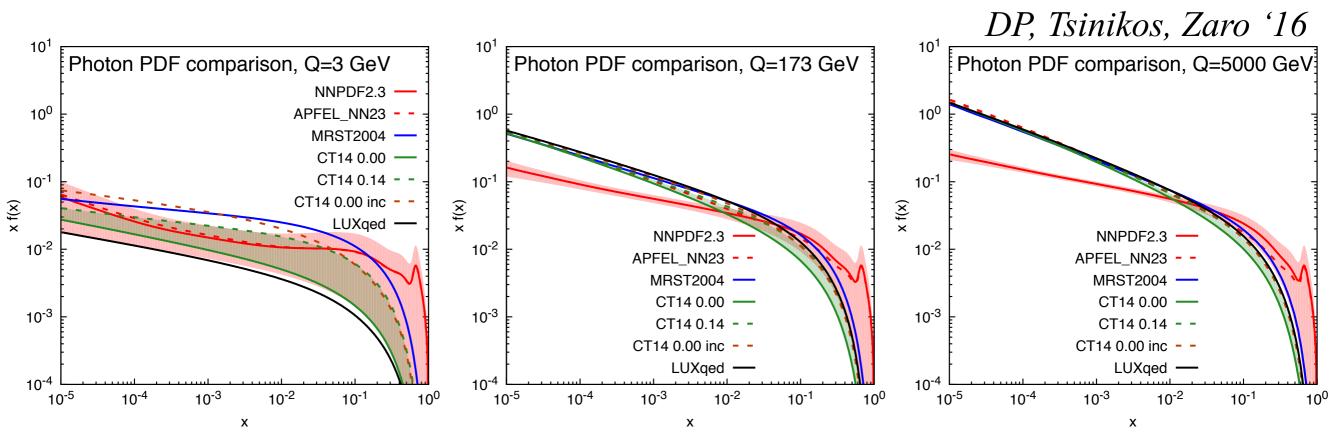


- APFEL_NN23 (*Bertone, Carrazza, DP, Zaro '15*) is at the initial scale equivalent to NNPDF2.3QED for all the PDFs. But, the DGLAP QCD and QED running is consistent (similar to NNPDF3.0QED, where also quark and gluons have been updated to NNPDF3.0).

- At small Q: APFEL_NN23 is like NNPDF2.3QED. At large Q: it is like CTEQ14QED at small x, while it is like NNPDF2.3QED at large x.

- CTEQ14QED is close to the upper edge of the CTEQ14QEDinc band.

The different photon PDFs ...



- LUXQED is close to the upper edge of the CTEQ14QED band and to CTEQ14QEDinc

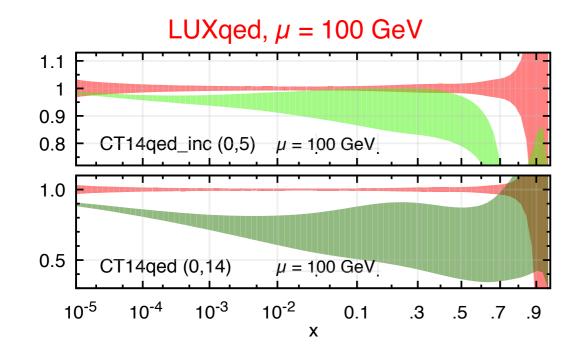
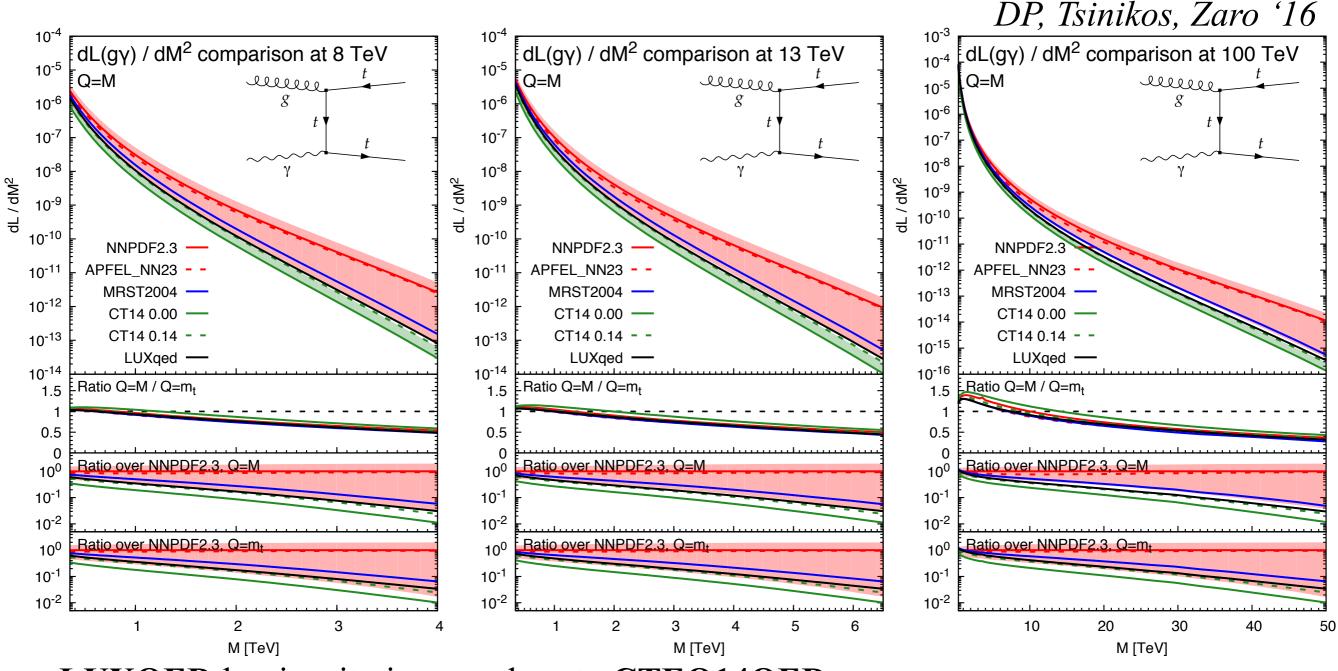


Image taken from Manohar, Nason, Salam, Zanderighi '16 and adapted for this slide.

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... and the different photon-gluon luminosities



- LUXQED luminosity is very close to CTEQ14QED
- NNPDF2.3QED and APFEL_NN23 are equivalent! (diff. running is not relevant)

NNPDF2.3QED representative for (NNPDF3.0QED, APFEL_NN23) CTEQ14QED representative for (CTEQ14QEDinc, LUXQED)

