

Electroweak corrections for LHC physics

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Introduction

Electroweak correction come in two variants: virtual corrections and real emission correction.

Virtual electroweak corrections often studied in the context of jet production at large transverse momentum (EW-Sudakov suppression). Usually negative and rising with p_{\perp} .

Real electroweak corrections usually constitute a separate process. However, largest BR of W/Z bosons is hadronic, thus (almost) indistinguishable in jet production. Nonetheless may constitute signal in itself.

When large scale differences occur resummation is needed in either case. Practically at LHC13/14 these scale differences are moderate.

Beware of subleading orders.

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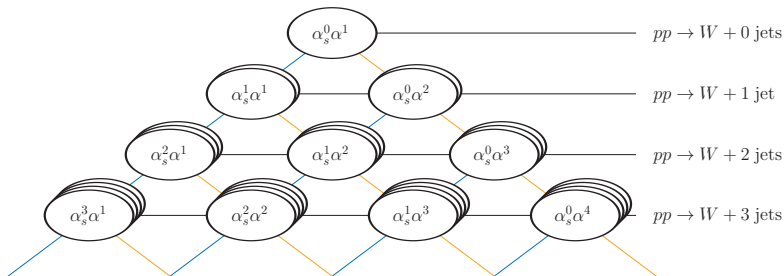
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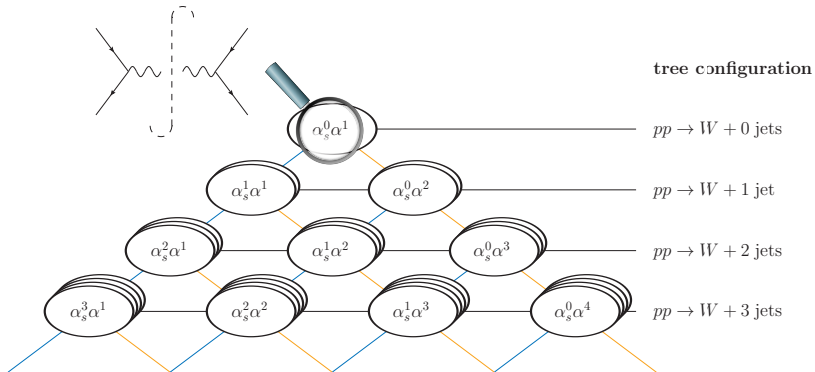
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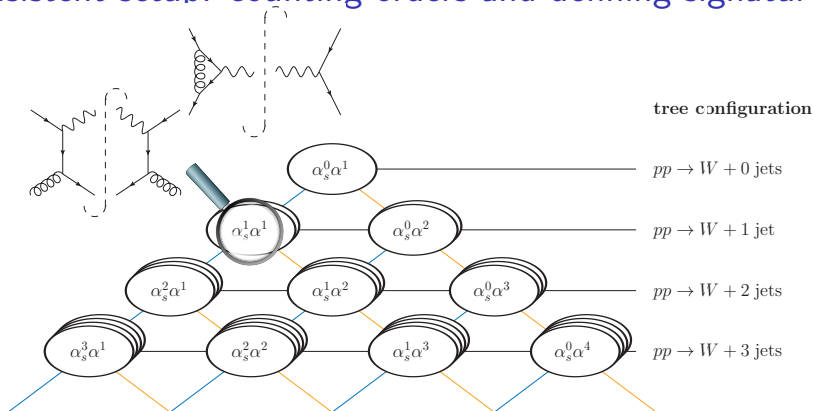
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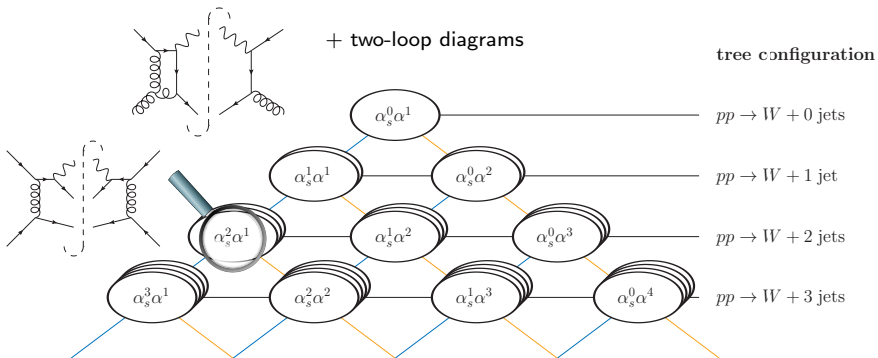


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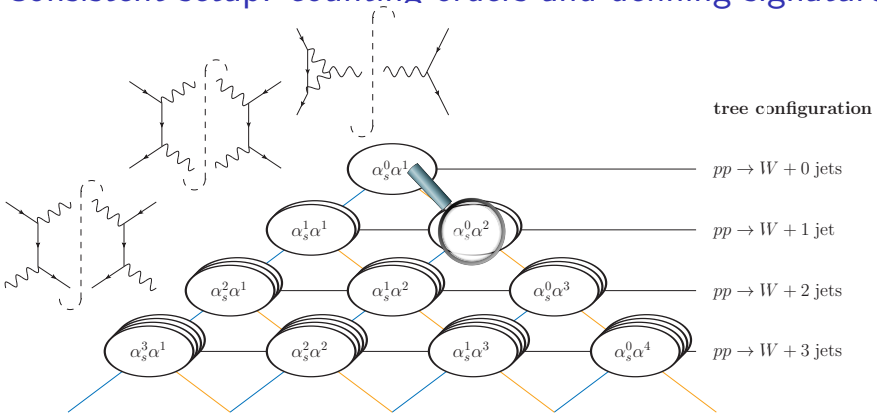
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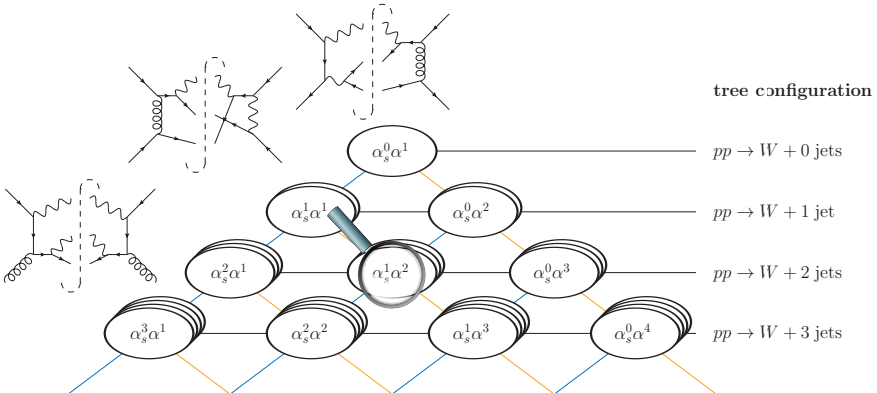
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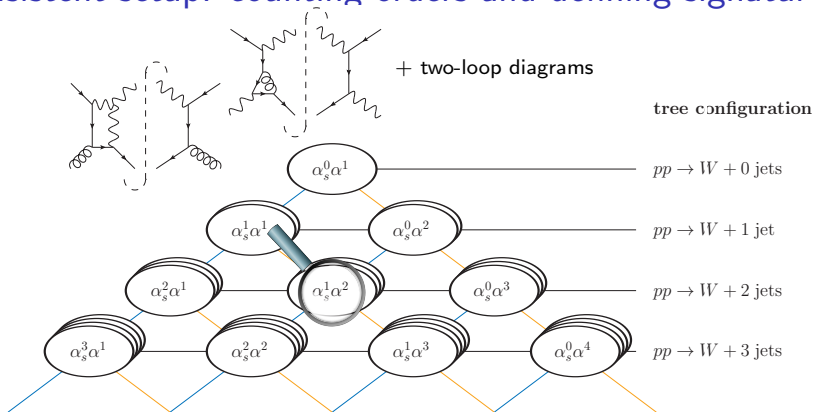
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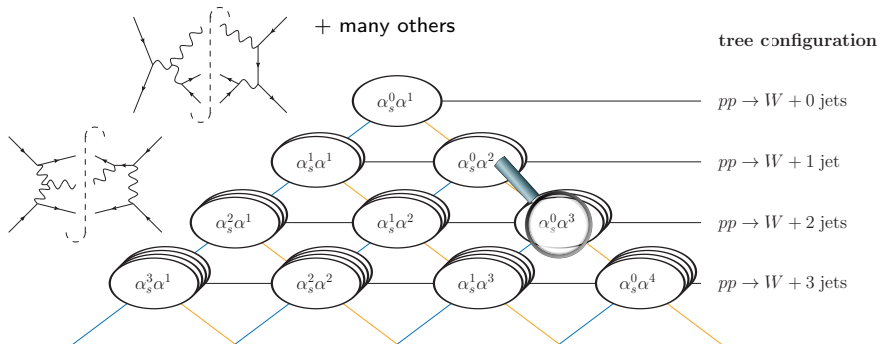
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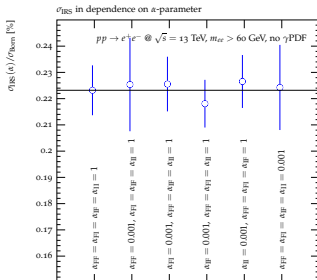
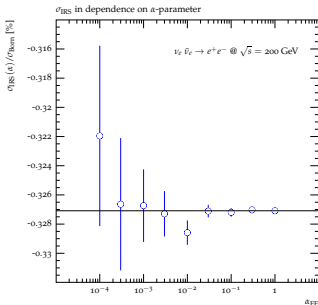


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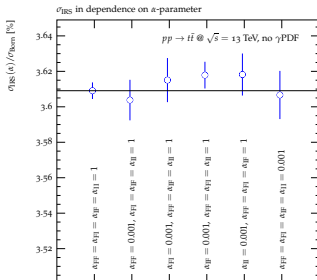
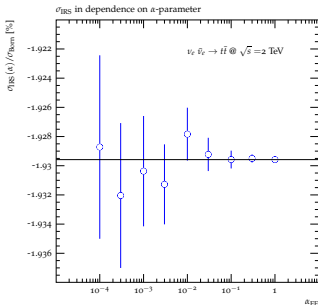


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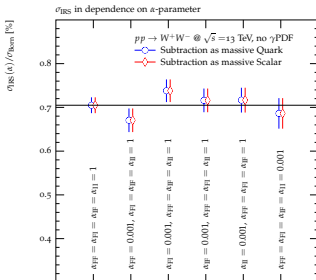
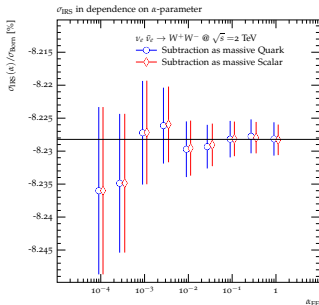
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External photons – initial state

Harland-Lang et.al. [arXiv:1605.04935](https://arxiv.org/abs/1605.04935), Kallweit et.al. [arxiv:1705.00598](https://arxiv.org/abs/1705.00598)

- **initial state photons** are not resolved, treat them identically to any other parton
 - both elastic and inelastic photons evolve according to DGLAP
→ splittings $\gamma \rightarrow \gamma$, $\gamma \rightarrow q\bar{q}$, $q \rightarrow q\gamma$
 - the photon PDF (at NLO QED) contains renormalisation factors that must be cancelled by the partonic cross section
- ⇒ renormalisation in short-distance scheme (G_μ , $\alpha(m_Z)$, $\overline{\text{MS}}$, ...)

External photons – final state

- **final state photons** may be resolved or not
strictly speaking: differentiate between short-distance photon and identified, measurable photon
- ⇒ if treated as identified particle, renormalise on-shell ($\alpha(0)$),
no $\gamma \rightarrow ff$ splittings
→ renormalisation contains IR poles
- ⇒ if treated democratically (just another parton), renormalise in short distance scheme (G_μ , $\alpha(m_Z)$, \overline{MS} , ...), include $\gamma \rightarrow ff$ splittings
→ pure UV renormalisation
→ identify photon through fragmentation function $D_\gamma^p(z, \mu)$
i.e. $D_\gamma^\gamma(z, \mu) = \frac{\alpha(0)}{\alpha_{sd}} \delta(1-z) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha)$
all others $D_\gamma^q(z, \mu) = \mathcal{O}(\alpha)$, $D_\gamma^g(z, \mu) = \mathcal{O}(\alpha^2)$
- identical at NLO EW, if fragmentation D_γ^q on Born is negligible

External photons – final state

- **jet definition:** completely democratic vs. anti-tagging jets with too large photon content
- **democratic:**
 - + straight forward, close to experiment for many procs
 - more subtractions (Born configs with FS photons)
- **anti-tagging jets with too large photon content:**

dress quarks for collinear safety,
discard jets if $E_\gamma > z_{\text{thr}} E_{\text{jet}}$ (e.g. $z_{\text{thr}} = 0.5$)

 - + fewer contributions
 - difference to experimental jet definition (usually subpercent)

n_f schemes and limited PDF availability

- all available QED PDFs are either 5F (CT14, LUX, NNPDF3.0) or 6F (NNPDF2.3)
- need scheme conversion terms Cacciari, Greco, Nason [hep-ph/9803400](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/9803400)

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sigma_{\text{NLO}}^{(n_f)}(\mu_R^2, \mu_F^2) \\
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 &+ \frac{\alpha_s}{3\pi} \sum_{i=n_f}^{n_f} \sum_{\{j_1 j_2\}} T_R \left[p \log \frac{m_i^2}{\mu_R^2} \Theta(\mu_R^2 - m_i^2) - \Delta_{j_1 j_2}^{gg} \log \frac{m_i^2}{\mu_F^2} \Theta(\mu_F^2 - m_i^2) \right] \sigma_{\text{LO}; j_1 j_2}^{(n_f)}(\mu_R^2, \mu_F^2) \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

- emergence of NLO QED PDFs good for consistency
- is there even a point of still having QCD-only PDFs?



NLO EW calculations

- MUNICH/SHERPA+OPENLOOPS:

- $pp \rightarrow V + 0, 1, 2(, 3) \text{ jets}$

Lindert et.al. arXiv:1705.04664

FCC report, arXiv:1607.01831

EW report arXiv:1606.02330

LH'15 arXiv:1605.04692

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- $pp \rightarrow Zj/pp \rightarrow \gamma j$ ratio

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- $pp \rightarrow \gamma/\ell\ell/\ell\nu/\nu\nu + j$

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- $pp \rightarrow Vh$

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- $pp \rightarrow 2\ell 2\nu$

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- $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}h$

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- SHERPA+GOSAM

- $pp \rightarrow \gamma\gamma + 0, 1, 2 \text{ jets}$

Chiesa et.al. arXiv:1706.09022

- $pp \rightarrow \gamma\gamma\gamma / \gamma\gamma\nu / \gamma\gamma\ell$

Greiner, MS arXiv:1710.11514

- SHERPA+RECOLA

- $pp \rightarrow V + 0, 1, 2 \text{ j}, pp \rightarrow 4\ell, pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}h$ Biedermann et.al. arXiv:1704.05783

Tools and setup

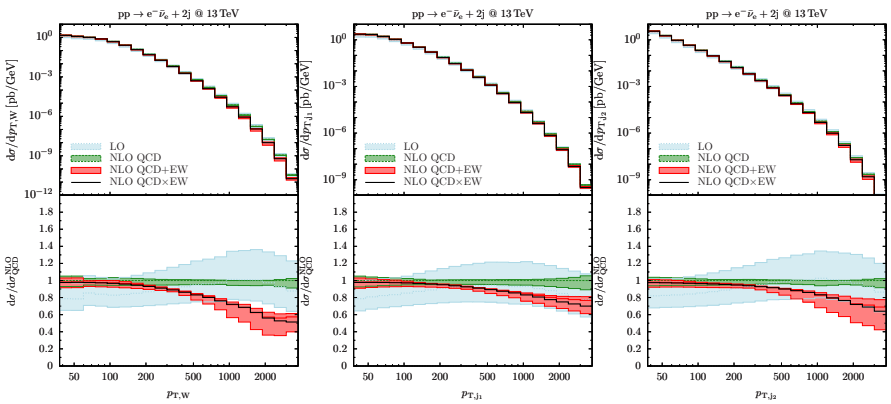
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- OPENLOOPS for virtual corrections using COLLIER for tensor integrals
- SHERPA for Born, real em., subtraction and phase space integration, MUNICH (MEs from OPENLOOPS) for subtraction and p. s. int.
- combine QCD and EW corrections as:
 - QCD+EW: $\sigma_{\text{NLO QCD+EW}} = \sigma_{\text{LO}} (1 + \delta_{\text{QCD}} + \delta_{\text{EW}})$
 - QCD×EW: $\sigma_{\text{NLO QCD×EW}} = \sigma_{\text{LO}} (1 + \delta_{\text{QCD}}) (1 + \delta_{\text{EW}})$
 ⇒ use difference as indication of potential size of $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s\alpha)$ corr.
- dress quarks and leptons in $\Delta R = 0.1$,
if γ in jet, $E_\gamma < \frac{1}{2} E_{\text{jet}}$, discard jet otherwise

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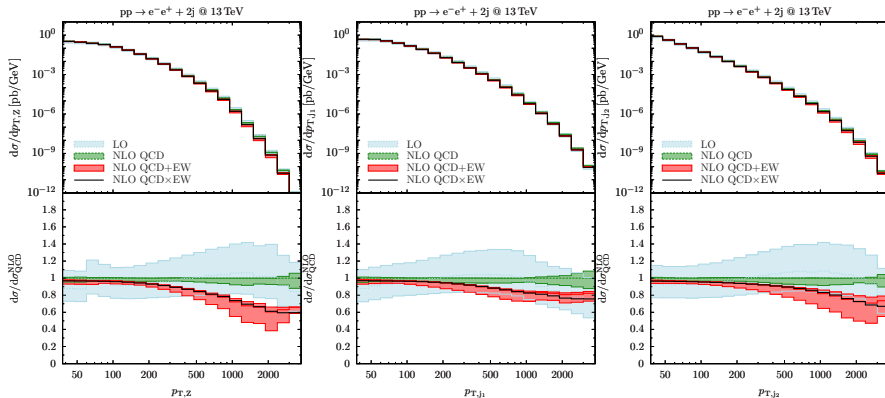
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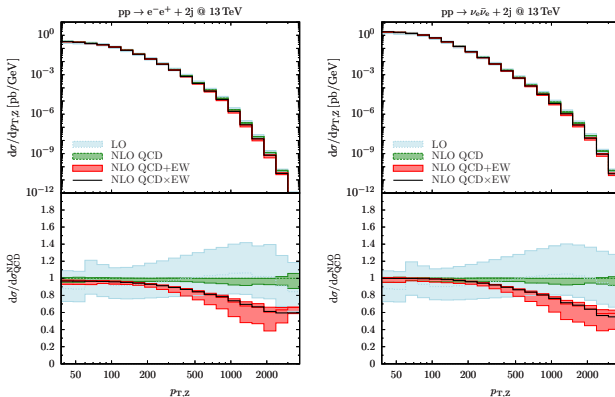
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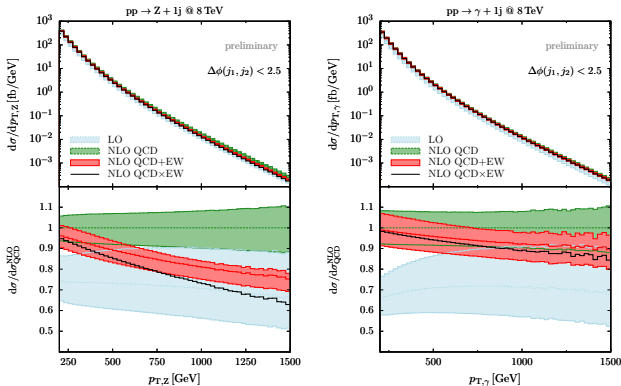
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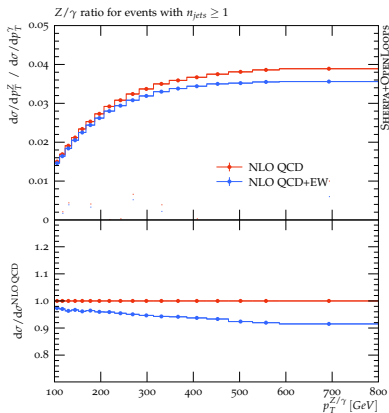
→ EW corrections independent of the decay mode

Z/γ ratio @ 8 TeV

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 \rightarrow EW corrections different for Z and γ

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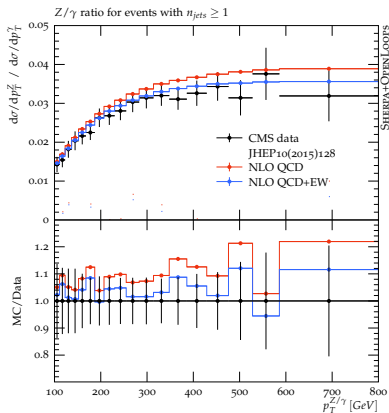


Kallweit, Lindert, Pozzorini, MS for LH'15

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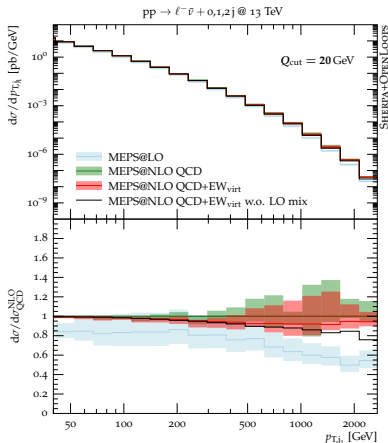
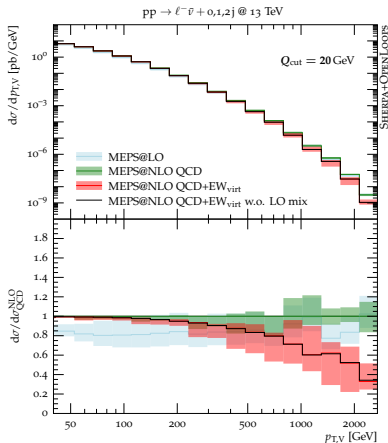
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Results: $pp \rightarrow \ell^- \bar{\nu} + \text{jets}$

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⇒ particle level events including dominant EW corrections

Diboson production – DF and SF

Combination of QCD and EW correction

- additive – strict fixed order expansion

$$d\sigma_{\text{QCD}+\text{EW}}^{\text{NLO}} = d\sigma^{\text{LO}} (1 + \delta_{\text{QCD}} + \delta_{\text{EW}})$$

- multiplicative – contains terms of $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s\alpha)$

$$d\sigma_{\text{QCD}\times\text{EW}}^{\text{NLO}} = d\sigma^{\text{LO}} (1 + \delta_{\text{QCD}}) (1 + \delta_{\text{EW}})$$

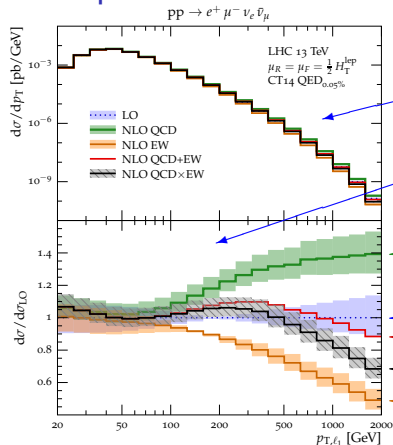
NLO EW for photon initiated processes

- resolved final state photons should be renormalised on-shell ($\alpha(0)$)
→ absorbs IR divergences from $\gamma \rightarrow f\bar{f}$ splittings not included
- initial state (and unresolved final state) photons should be renormalised at the hard scale ($\alpha(m_Z)$, G_μ , $\overline{\text{MS}}$, etc.)
→ match IR divergences in PDF evolution and collinear counter term

Harland-Lang, Khoze, Ryskin *Phys.Lett.B761(2016)20-24*

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Diboson production – DF



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absolute prediction

relative correction wrt. LO

NLO QCD (w/ moderate jet veto)

LO

NLO QCD+EW

NLO QCD \otimes EW

NLO EW

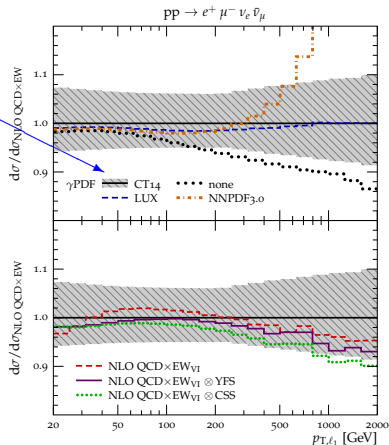
- large pos. NLO QCD, large neg. NLO EW
 \rightarrow NLO QCD+EW and NLO QCD \otimes EW differ significantly

Diboson production – DF

relative importance of γ -induced channels wrt. NLO QCD \times EW

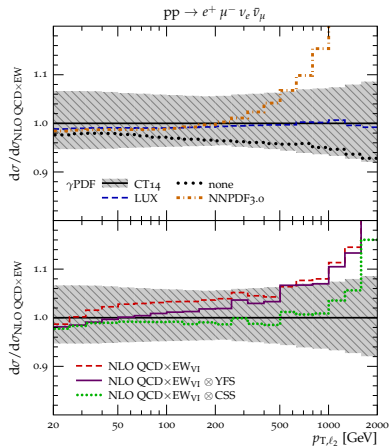
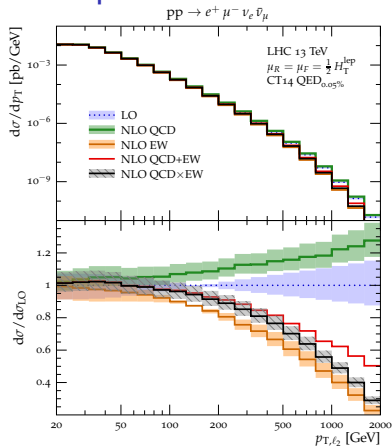
CT14qed (baseline)
LUXqed

no γ PDF
NNPDF3.0qed



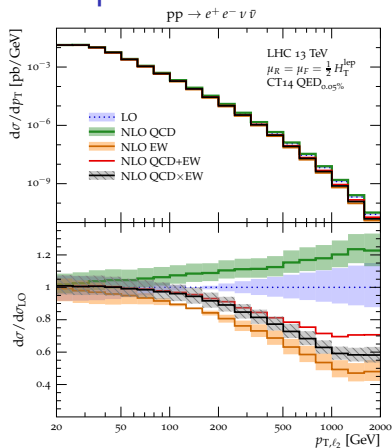
- all γ PDF agree that γ -ind. $> 10\%$ for $p_T > 500$ GeV
- very good agreement between CT14qed and LUXqed

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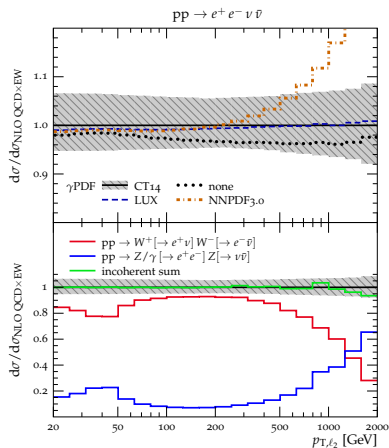


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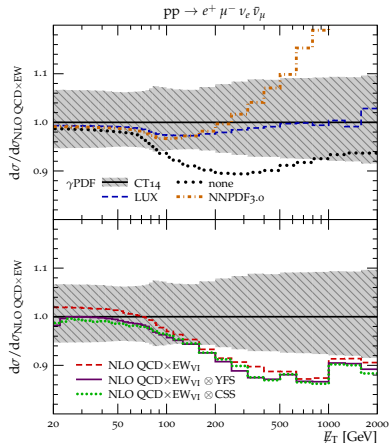
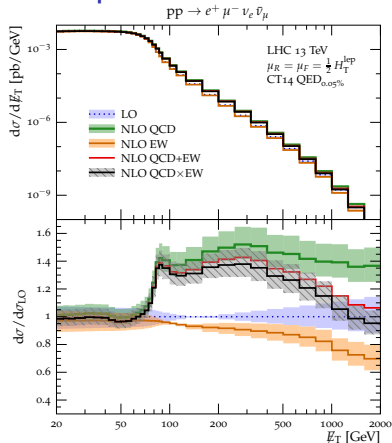
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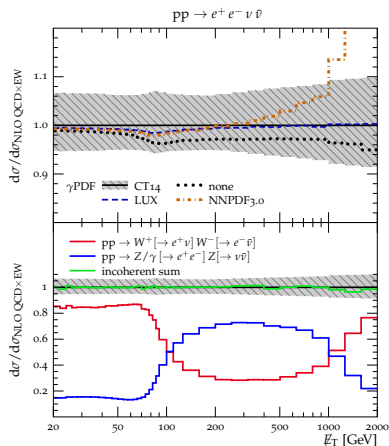
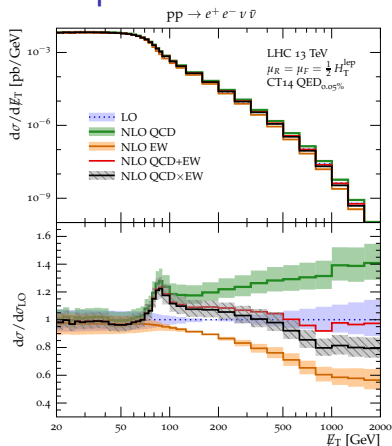


Diboson production – DF



- kinematic suppression for $p_T^{\nu\nu}$ at LO, unlocked at NLO QCD
 not present in γ -induced \Rightarrow large contrib

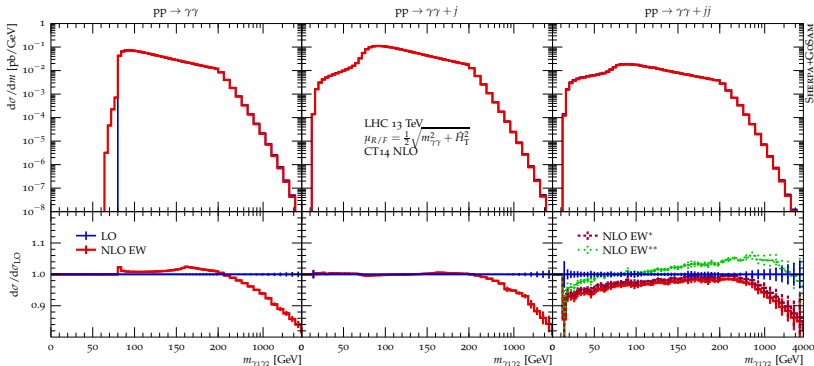
Diboson production – SF



- kinematic suppression for $p_T^{\nu\nu}$ for WW , but not ZZ
 ZZ dominates for $\text{MET} > 100$ GeV with large EW corr.

Diphoton production in association with jets

Chiesa, Greiner, MS, Tramontano arXiv:1706.09022

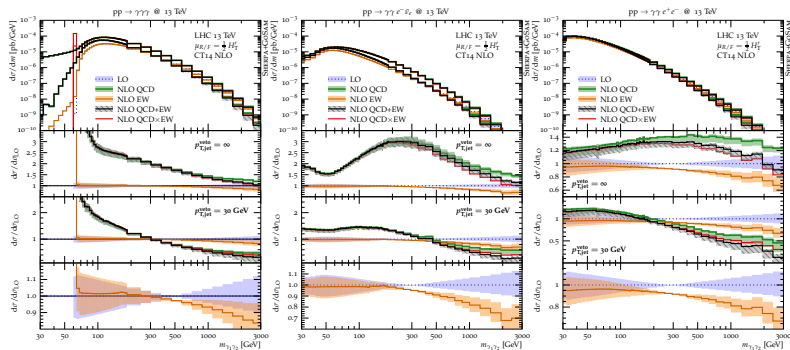


- EW corrections vary with jet multiplicity
- sizable subleading orders, though partly resonant $\gamma\gamma V$



Diphoton production in association with a vector boson

Greiner, MS arXiv:1710.11514



- NLO QCD \times EW breaks down at LO kinematic limit
- huge NLO QCD, moderate NLO EW, largest for $\gamma\gamma ll$

Electroweak corrections for LHC physics

1 Next-to-leading order electroweak corrections

Setup and subtleties

Selected results

2 Real boson radiation

Resummation via EW parton showers

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3 Conclusions

Collinear limit with $E \gg m$

- QED parton showers well known and available in every major shower
- approximation to collinear (vector) boson emission in limit $E \gg m$, in dipole language (splitter-spectator pairs): $f(s) \rightarrow f^{(\prime)}V(s)$

$$d\sigma_{n+V} = d\sigma_n \sum_f \sum_s^{n_{\text{spec}}} dt dz \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} \frac{1}{n_{\text{spec}}} J(t, z) \mathcal{K}_{f(s) \rightarrow f^{(\prime)}V(s)}(t, z)$$

- emitter fermion f , suitable spectator s
- flavour change $f \rightarrow f'$ in case of W emissions
- IS kernels contain ratio of PDFs (change in $x, Q, \text{flavour}$)
- similar ansatz with diff. kernels in [Christiansen, Sjöstrand JHEP04\(2014\)115](#)
- new developments [Chen, Han, Tweedie arXiv:1611.00788](#)
[Bauer, Ferland, Webber JHEP08\(2017\)036](#)

Splitting kernels

Denner, Hebenstreit unpublished

- use Denner-Hebenstreit expressions modified into CDST form

$$\mathcal{K}_{f(s) \rightarrow f' W(s)}(t, z) = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi t} \left[f_W c_{\perp}^W \tilde{V}_{f(s) \rightarrow f' b(s)}^{\text{CDST}}(t, z) + f_h c_L^W \frac{1}{2} (1 - z) \right]$$

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$$c_L^W = \frac{1}{2s_W^2} |V_{ff'}|^2 \left[s_{\text{eff}} \frac{m_{f'}^2}{m_W^2} + (1 - s_{\text{eff}}) \frac{m_f^2}{m_W^2} \right], \quad c_L^Z = \frac{I_f^3}{s_W^2} \frac{m_f^2}{m_W^2},$$

- couplings $ff^{(\prime)} V$ depend on spin of f , but standard parton showers are spin averaged (no spin information)
- process dependent average spin of fermion line s_{eff}
 $\Rightarrow pp \rightarrow jj: s_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2}, pp \rightarrow W: s_{\text{eff}} = 1$, undefined in general
- factors f_W, f_Z, f_h modify couplings to test sensitivity

Krauss, Petrov, MS, Spannowsky [Phys.Rev.D89\(2014\)114006](#)

Can we see radiated W bosons inside jets at the LHC (14 TeV)?

- need high- p_{\perp} jets to produce real W bosons at sufficient rate
- need high- p_{\perp} jets to satisfy assumption $E \gg m$

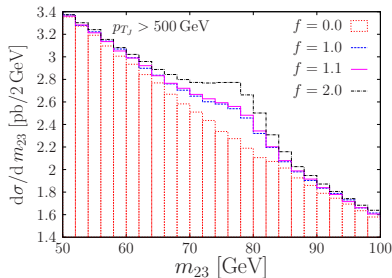
Boosted analysis:

- isolated leptons ($p_{\perp} > 25$ GeV, $|\eta| < 2.5$, max. 10% in $\Delta R = 0.2$)
- find jets (anti- k_{\perp} , $R = 1.5$, $p_{\perp} > 200$ GeV) on remainder
- two cases: no isolated leptons \Rightarrow hadronic analysis
one isolated lepton \Rightarrow leptonic analysis
- require further two jets with $p_{\perp} > 500, 750, 1000$ GeV to drive W radiation into collinear region

Hadronic analysis

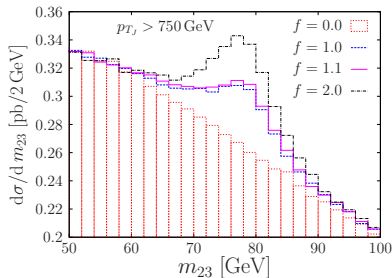
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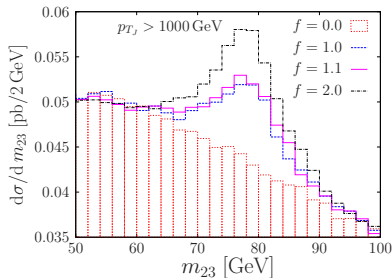
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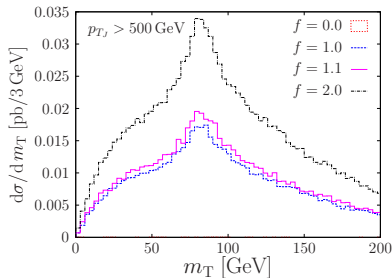
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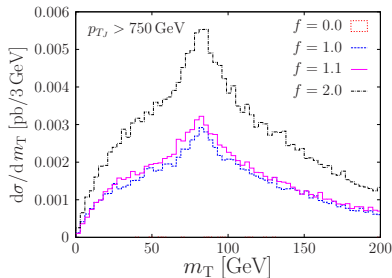
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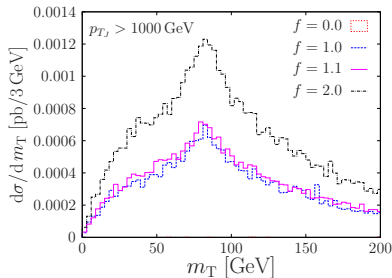
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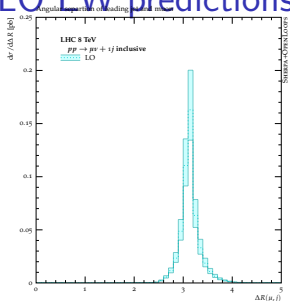
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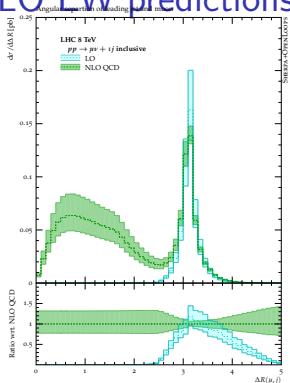


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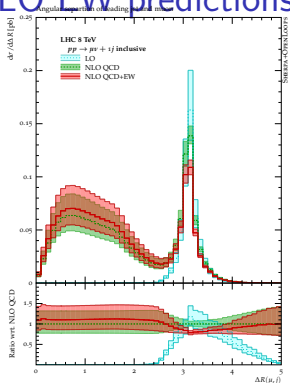
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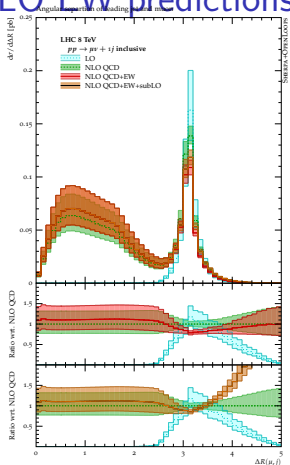
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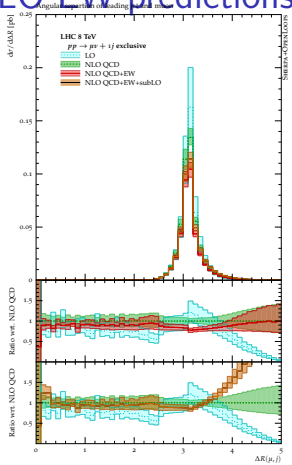
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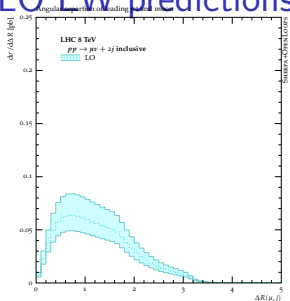
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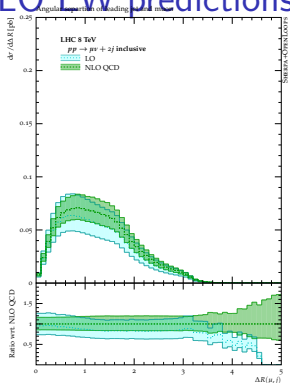
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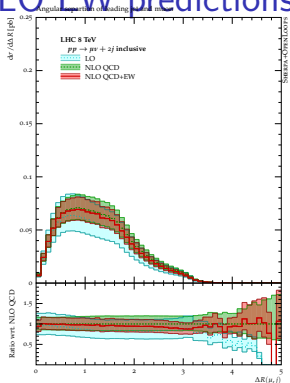
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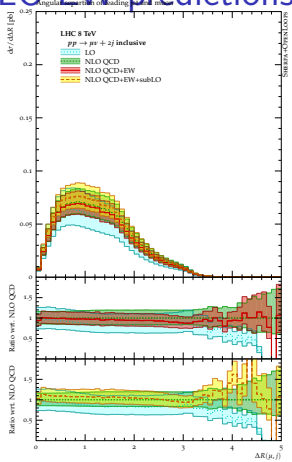
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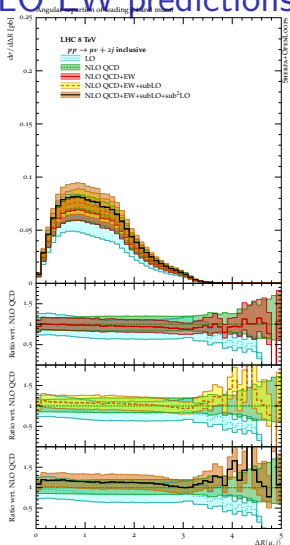
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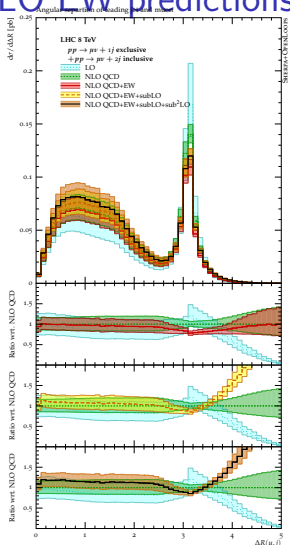
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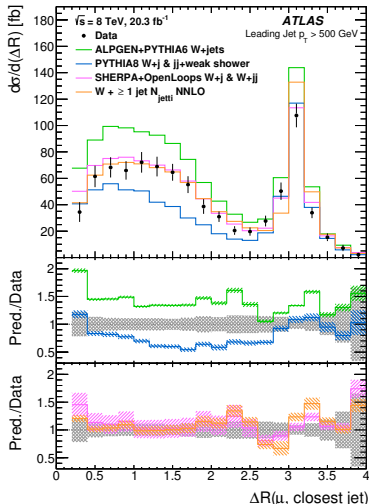
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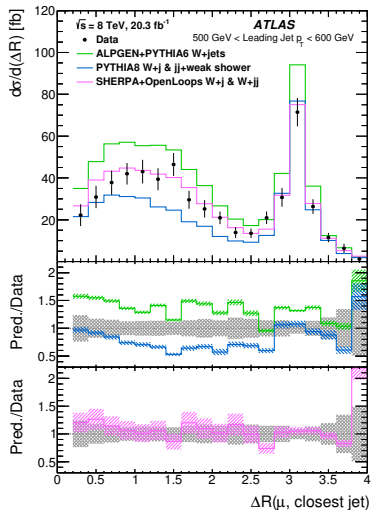
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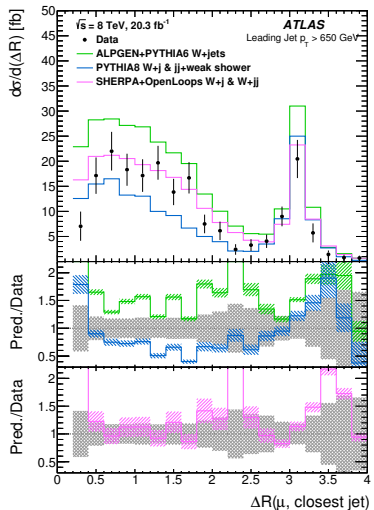
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Conclusions

- electroweak effects are important at LHC, HE-LHC, FCC, etc.
- become large whenever the scale is large compared the EW scale
- can be incorporated in multijet merging to improve description in those regions
 - ⇒ included since SHERPA-2.2.1 (now SHERPA-2.2.4)
- automation of NLO EW follows on the heels of NLO QCD
 - much more care with consistent schemes and order counting
 - very rich phenomenology
 - includes many more pitfalls than NLO QCD
 - ⇒ included in next major SHERPA release
- EW parton showers suffer from strong spin dependence of W/Z emission as parton showers are usually do not have spin information
 - ⇒ not included in SHERPA public release

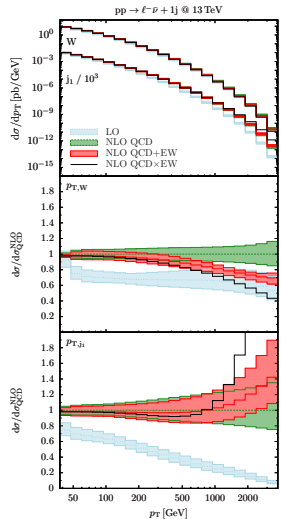


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Backup

$pp \rightarrow Wj @ 13 \text{ TeV}$

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- NLO QCD to p_T^{j1} dominated by hard dijet topologies
→ LO, no EW corr.

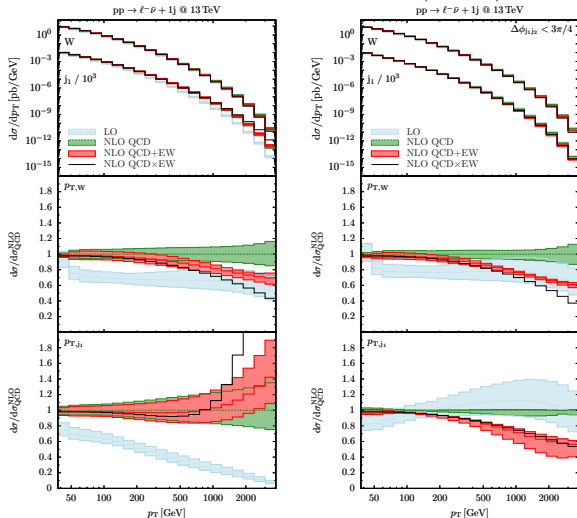
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→ need merging

- remove dijet configs through $\Delta\phi_{j1j2} < \frac{3}{4}\pi$
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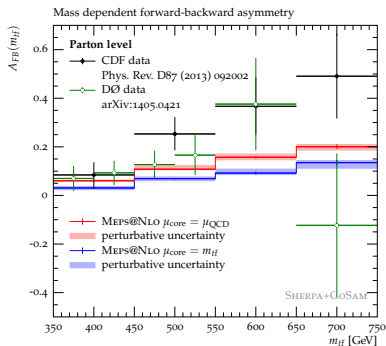
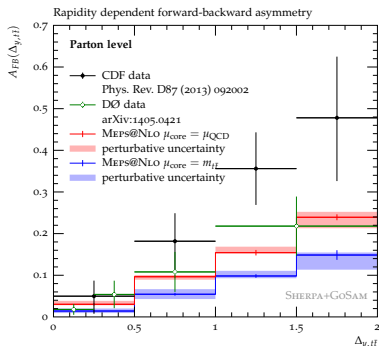
- NLO QCD to p_T^j dominated by hard dijet topologies
→ LO, no EW corr.

Rubin, Salam, Sapeta
JHEP09(2010)084

- need merging
- remove dijet configs through $\Delta\phi_{j_1 j_2} < \frac{3}{4}\pi$
→ EW Sudakov recovered

Example: Forward-backward asymmetry @ Tevatron

Höche, Huang, Luisoni, MS, Winter Phys.Rev.D88(2013)1,014040

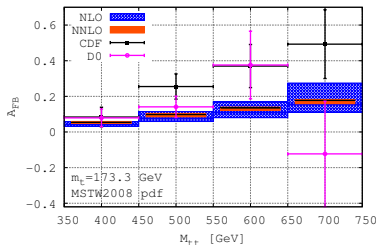
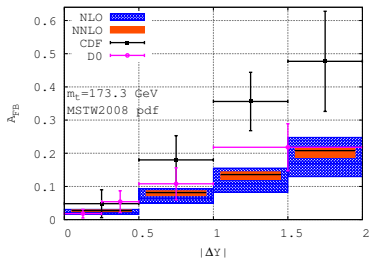


Chose two different μ_{core} → largest impact

Electroweak histories not an issue, but merging works nicely

Recent NNLO+NNLL results: Forward-backward asymmetry @ Tevatron

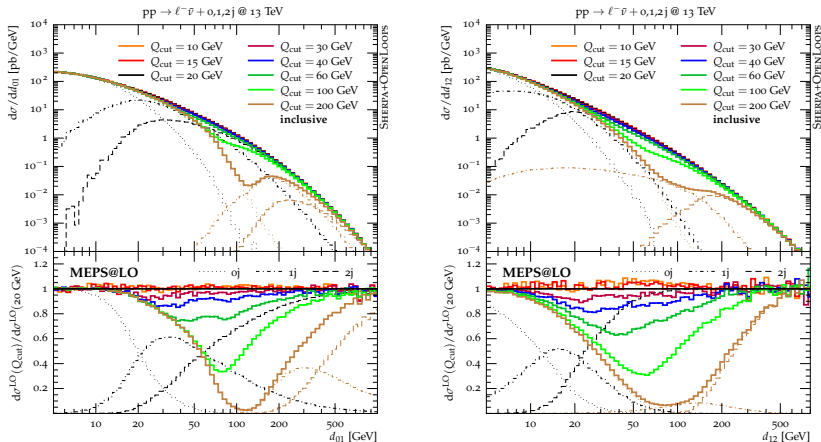
Czakon, Fiedler, Mitov arXiv:1411.3007



MEPS@NLO result very well reproduced by higher order calculation

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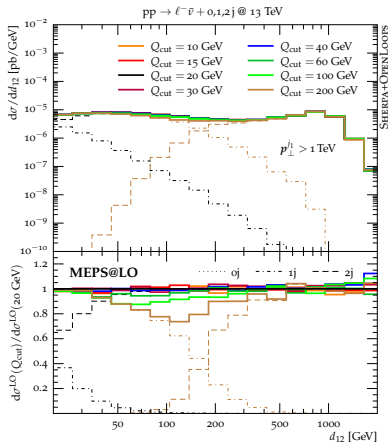
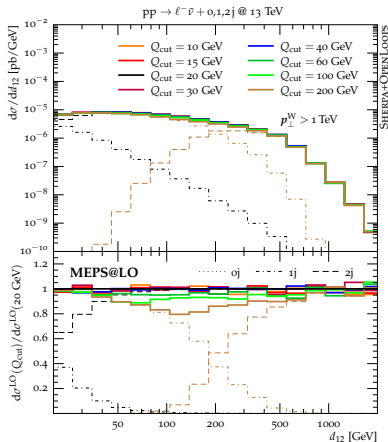
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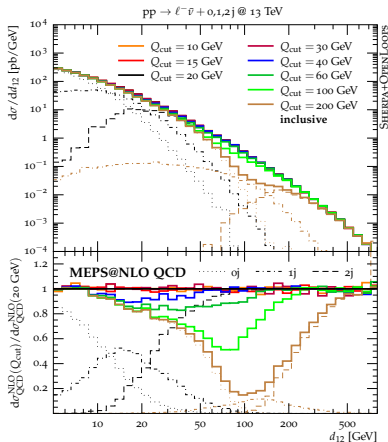
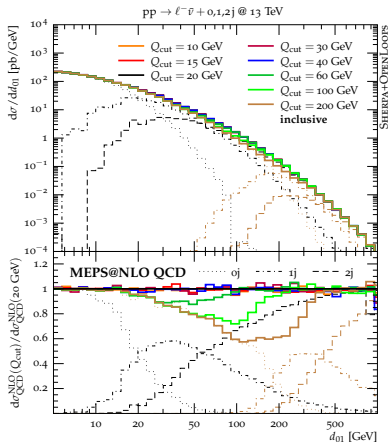
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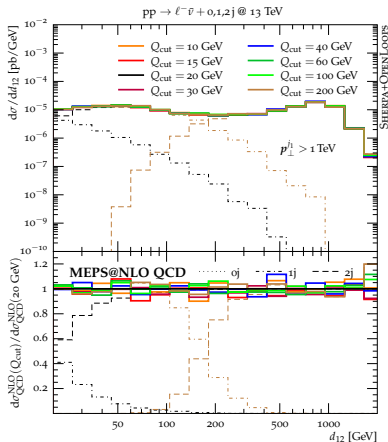
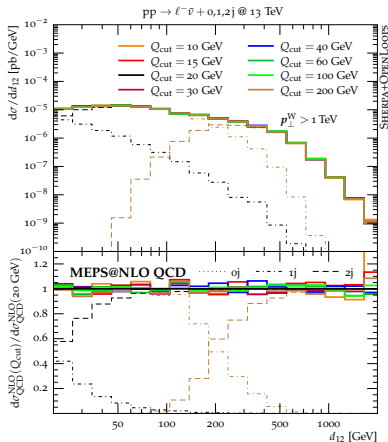
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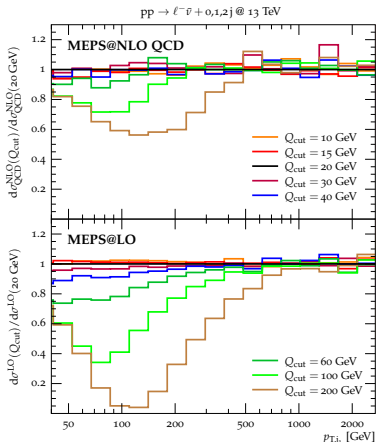
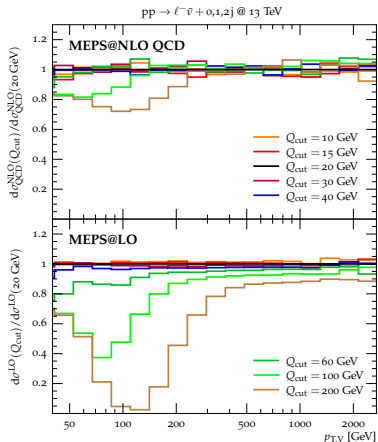
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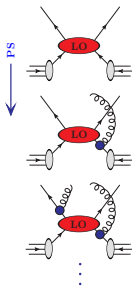
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QCD multijet merging – LO case

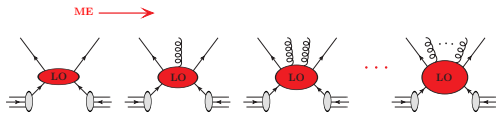


Parton showers

resummation of (soft-)collinear limit
→ intrajet evolution

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Matrix elements

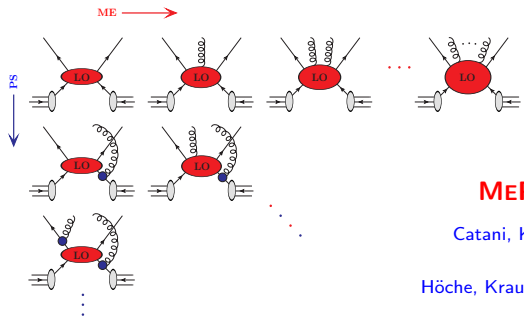
fixed-order in α_s

→ hard wide-angle emissions

→ interference terms

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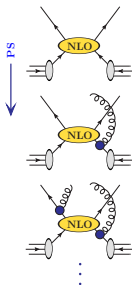
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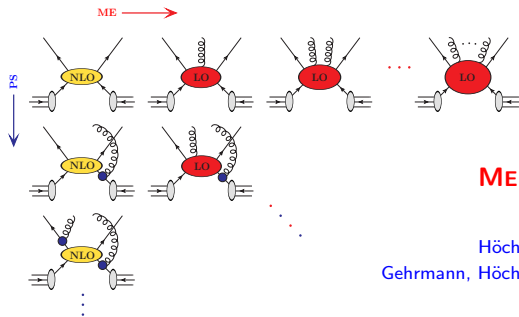
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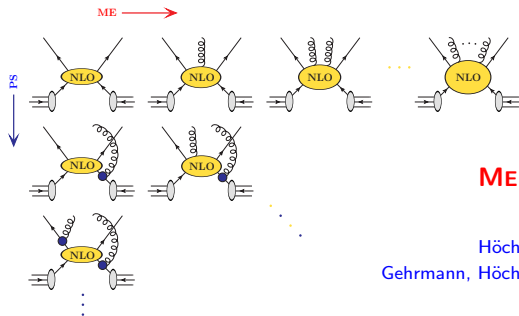


MENLOPS

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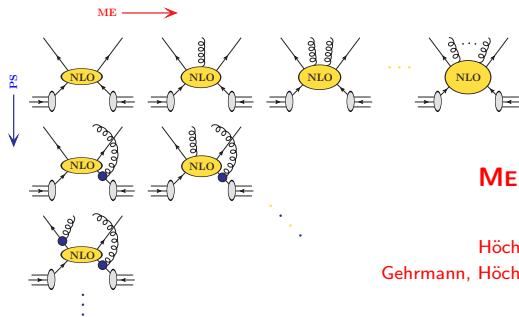
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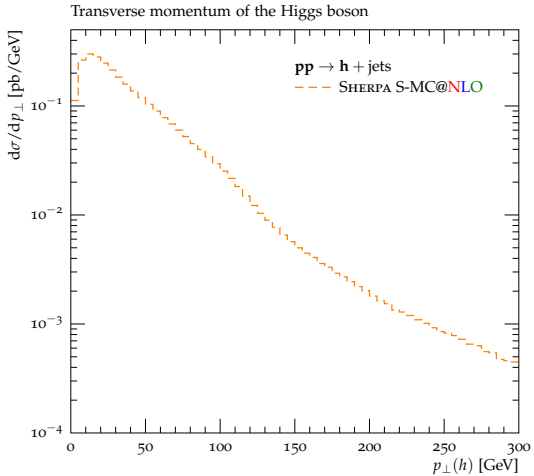


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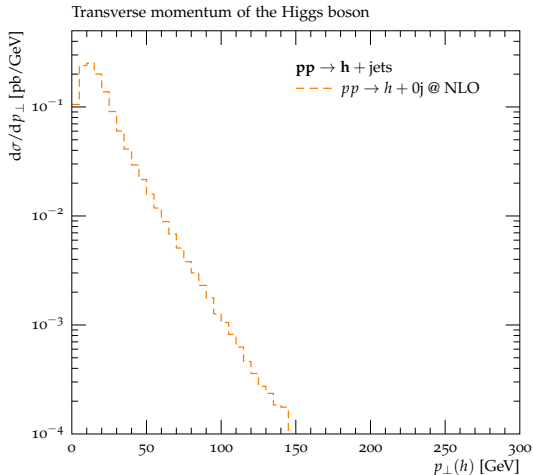
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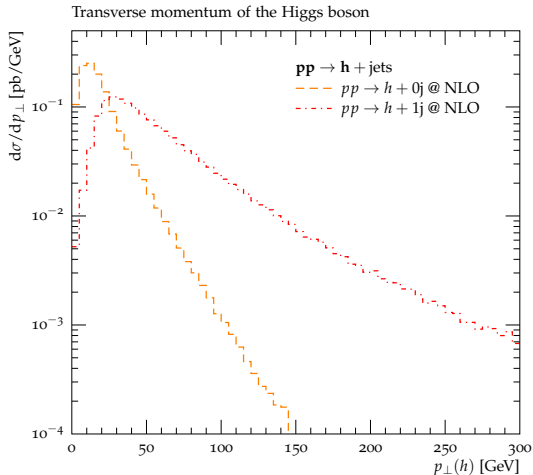
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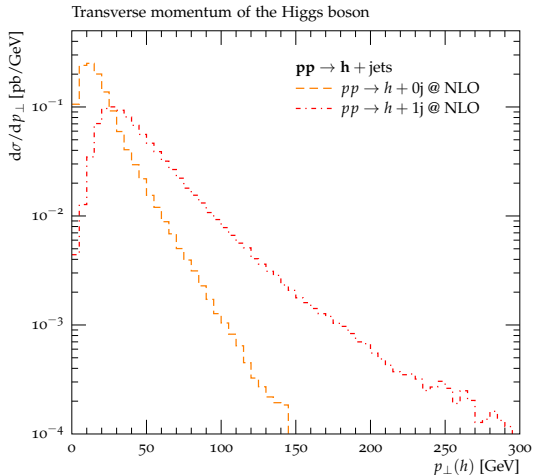
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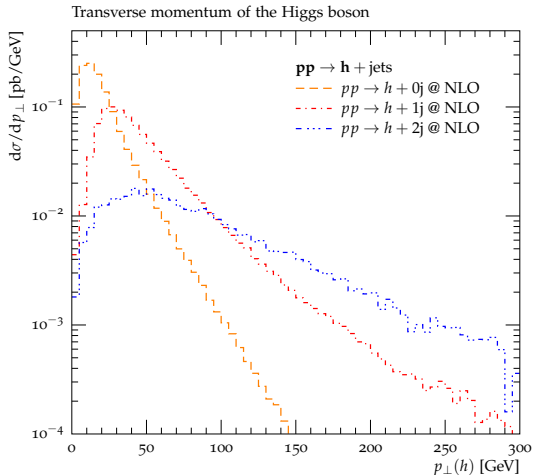
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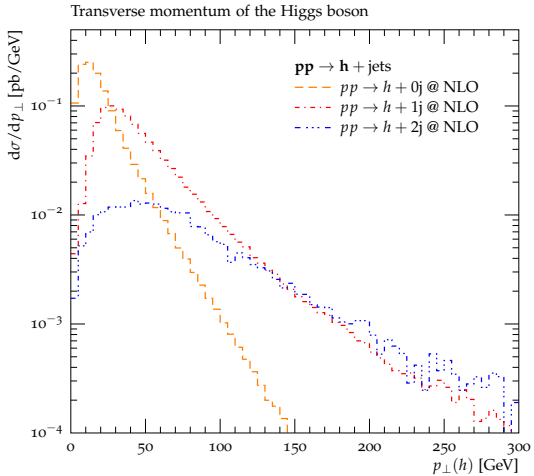
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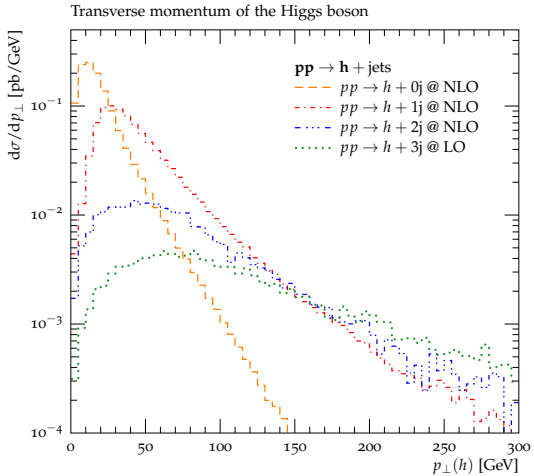
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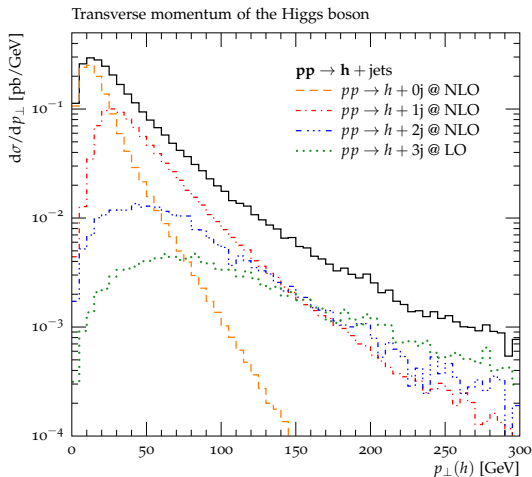
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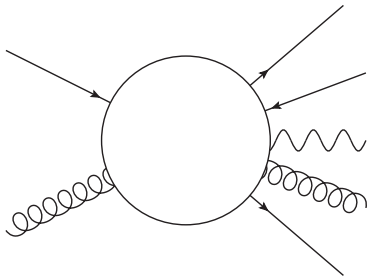
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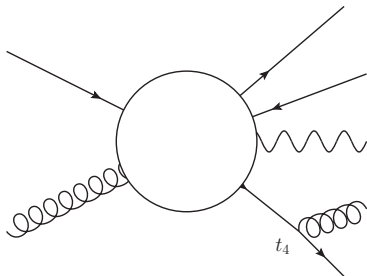


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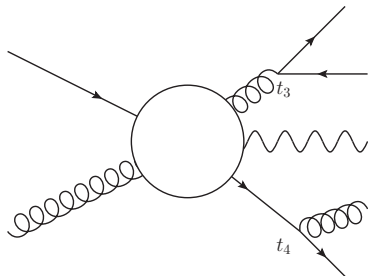


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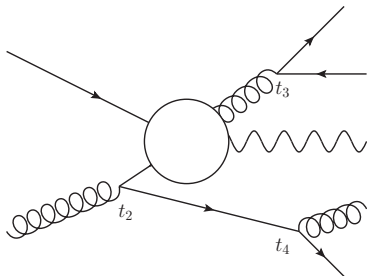


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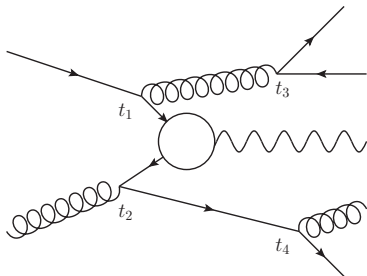


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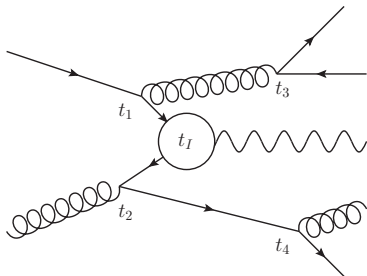


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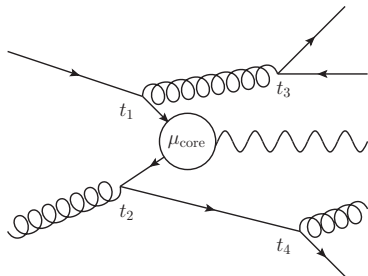


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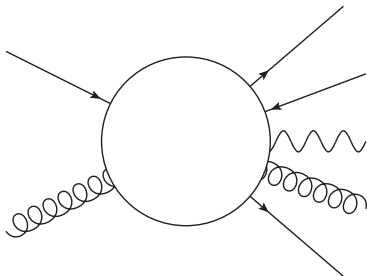
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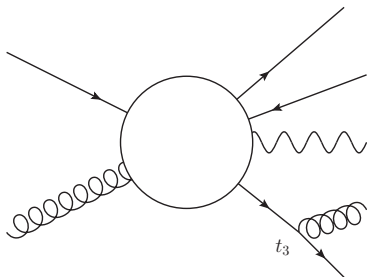


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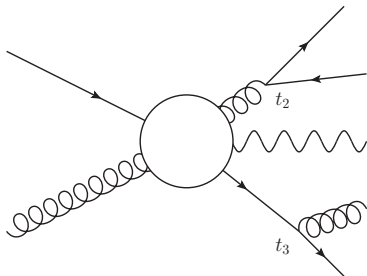


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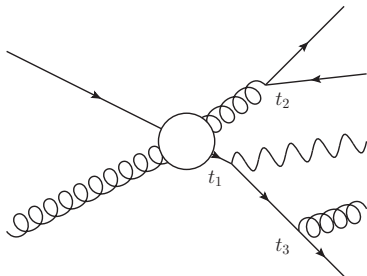


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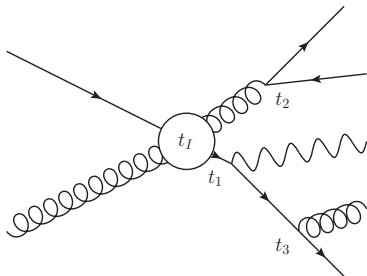


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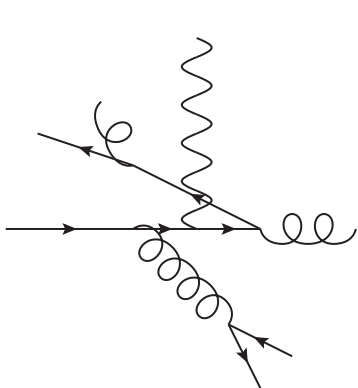
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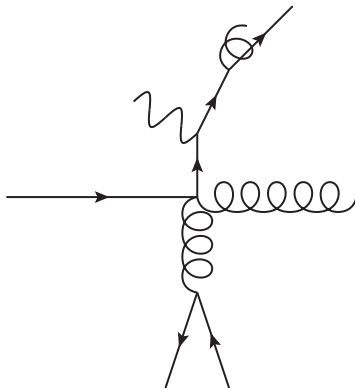


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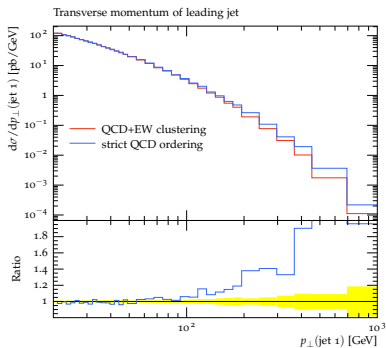
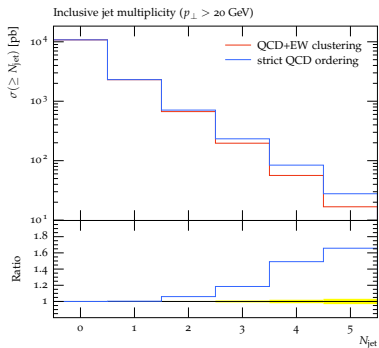
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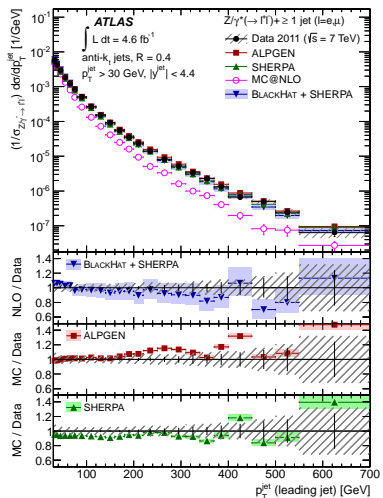
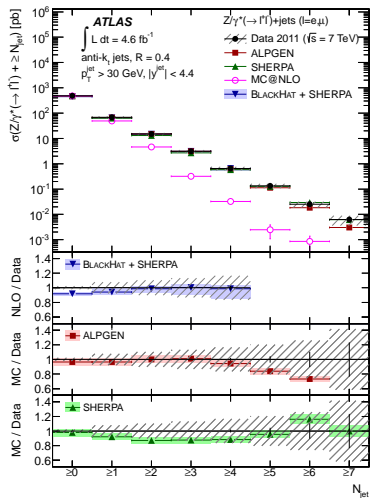


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⇒ large impact at high p_{\perp} and multiplicity

Importance of electroweak clustering



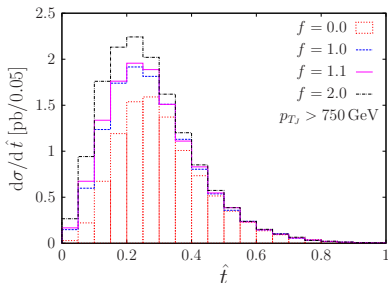
Hadronic analysis

- use event shape variables on microjets of reconstructed W candidate to enhance S/B , e.g. ellipticity

$$\hat{t} = \frac{T_{\min}}{T_{\max}}$$

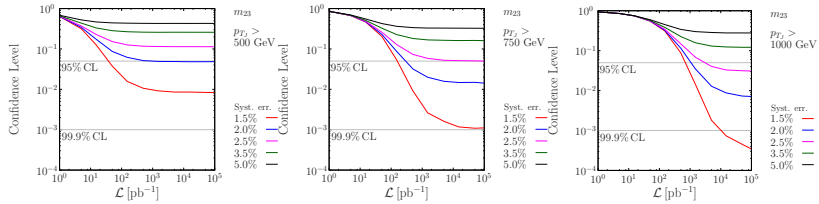
→ small when radiation pattern is 1D ($W \rightarrow q\bar{q}$)

- fat jet $p_{\perp} > 750$ GeV optimal best balance between cross section and emission rate
- ⇒ additional discrimination



Hadronic analysis

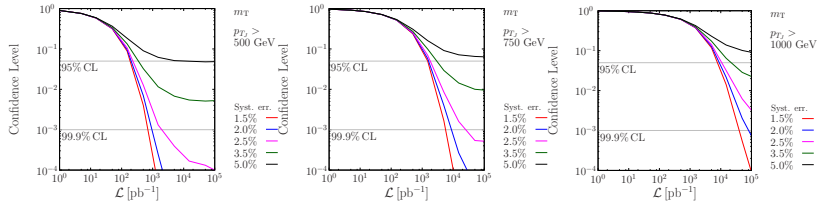
Can we distinguish between $f = 1$ and $f = 2$
(simplified version of: How accurate can we measure the coupling?)



- signal: $f = 2$, background: $f = 1$ (SM)
- moderate sensitivity even under ideal conditions
benefits from larger emission at large p_{\perp} despite smaller cross section

Leptonic analysis

Can we distinguish between $f = 1$ and $f = 1.1$?
 (simplified version of: How accurate can we measure the coupling?)



- signal: $f = 1.1$, background: $f = 1.0$ (SM)
- improved sensitivity, despite small cross sections, benefits from ideal background rejection