

Measuring the running top-quark mass

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Proton colliders

- Tevatron: energy frontier at $\sqrt{S} = 1.96\text{TeV}$
top quark discovery
- LHC: in commissioning phase
Higgs boson search at highest energies: $\sqrt{S} = 7 \dots 14\text{TeV}$



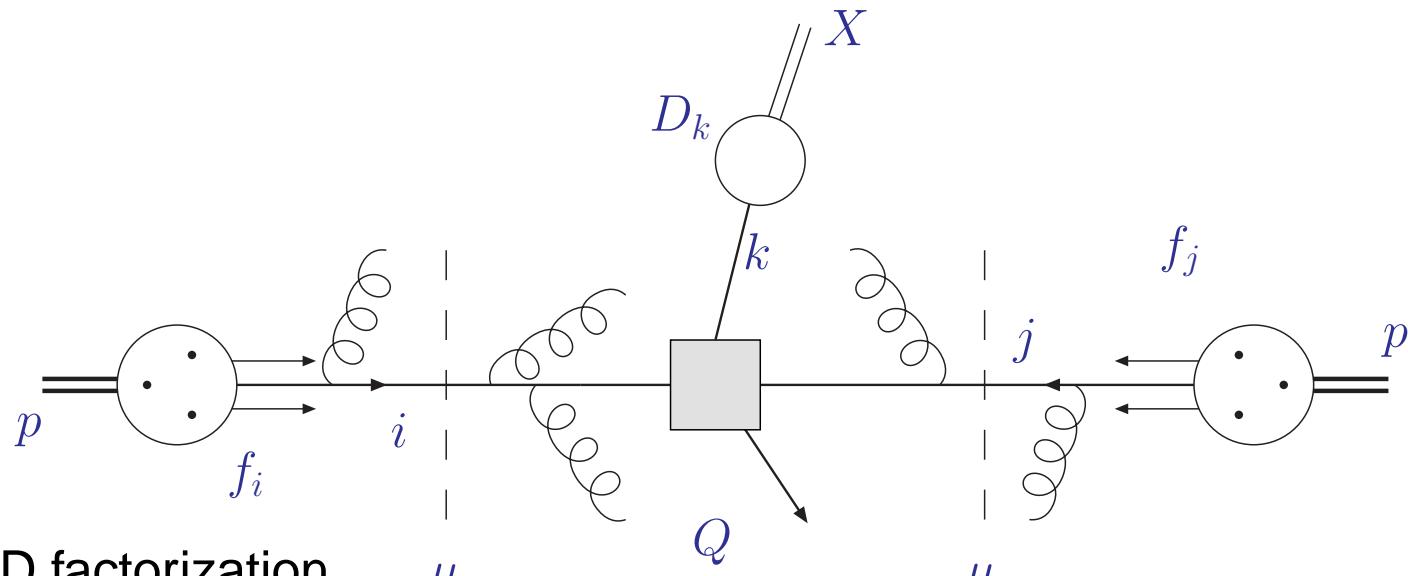
Abundant production of top-quarks



- Orders for top-quarks from www.particlezoo.com

Perturbative QCD at colliders

- Hard hadron-hadron scattering
 - constituent partons from each incoming hadron interact at short



- QCD factorization
 - separate sensitivity to dynamics from different scales

$$\sigma_{pp \rightarrow X} = \sum_{ijk} f_i(\mu^2) \otimes f_j(\mu^2) \otimes \hat{\sigma}_{ij \rightarrow k} \left(\alpha_s(\mu^2), Q^2, \mu^2 \right) \otimes D_{k \rightarrow X}(\mu^2)$$

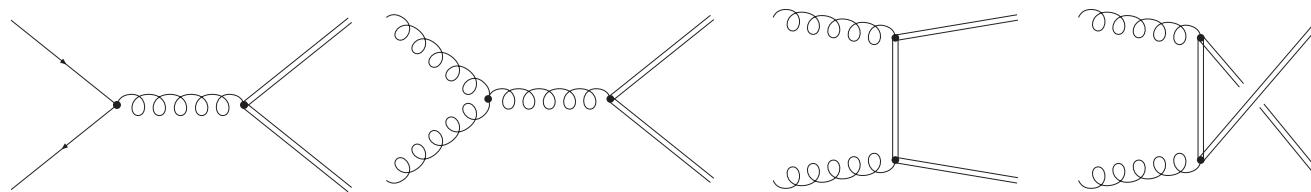
- factorization scale μ , subprocess cross section $\hat{\sigma}_{ij \rightarrow k}$ for parton types i, j and hadronic final state X

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- Leading order Feynman diagrams

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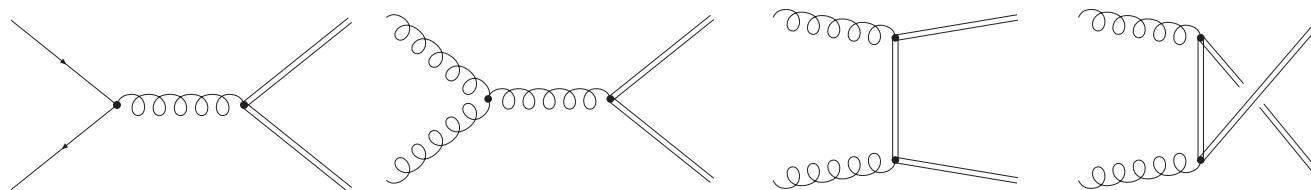
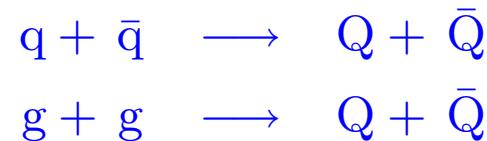
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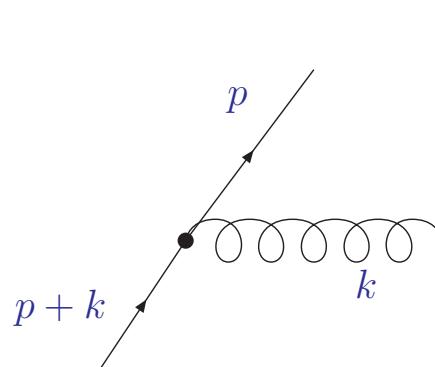
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- First steps towards higher orders in QCD: explore limits
- Study of massive QCD amplitudes in limit $m \rightarrow 0$
 - exploit relation of massive to massless amplitudes Mitov, S.M. '06
- Partonic threshold $s \simeq 4m^2$
 - Sudakov logarithms $\ln \beta$ (velocity of heavy quark $\beta = \sqrt{1 - 4m^2/s}$)
 - theory status and phenomenology S.M., Uwer '08

Recent theory activities

- Amplitudes
 - two-loop virtual corrections to $q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ and $gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}$
 - small-mass limit $m^2 \ll s, t, u$ Czakon, Mitov, S.M. '07
 - complete IR singularities Ferroglia, Neubert, Pecjak, Yang '09
 - one-loop squared terms ($\text{NLO} \times \text{NLO}$) Anastasiou, Mert Aybat '08; Kniehl, Merebashvili, Körner, Rogal '08
 - two-loop virtual corrections for $q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ (analytic, n_f -terms) Bonciani, Ferroglia, Gehrmann, Maitre, Studerus '08; (numerical result) Czakon '08
- $t\bar{t} + \text{jet}$ production at NLO Dittmaier, Uwer, Weinzierl '07-'08
- Threshold resummation
 - updates of cross section predictions based on resummation S.M., Uwer '08; Cacciari, Frixione, Mangano, Nason, Ridolfi '08; Kidonakis, Vogt '08
 - coulomb corrections Hagiwara, Sumino, Yokoya '08; Kiyo, Kühn, S.M., Steinhauser, Uwer '08
- Parton luminosity
 - correlation of cross section at NLO with gluon PDFs Nadolsky, Lai, Cao, Huston, Pumplin, Stump, Tung, Yuan '08
- Definition of mass parameter Hoang, Jain, Scimemi, Stewart '08

Sudakov logarithms

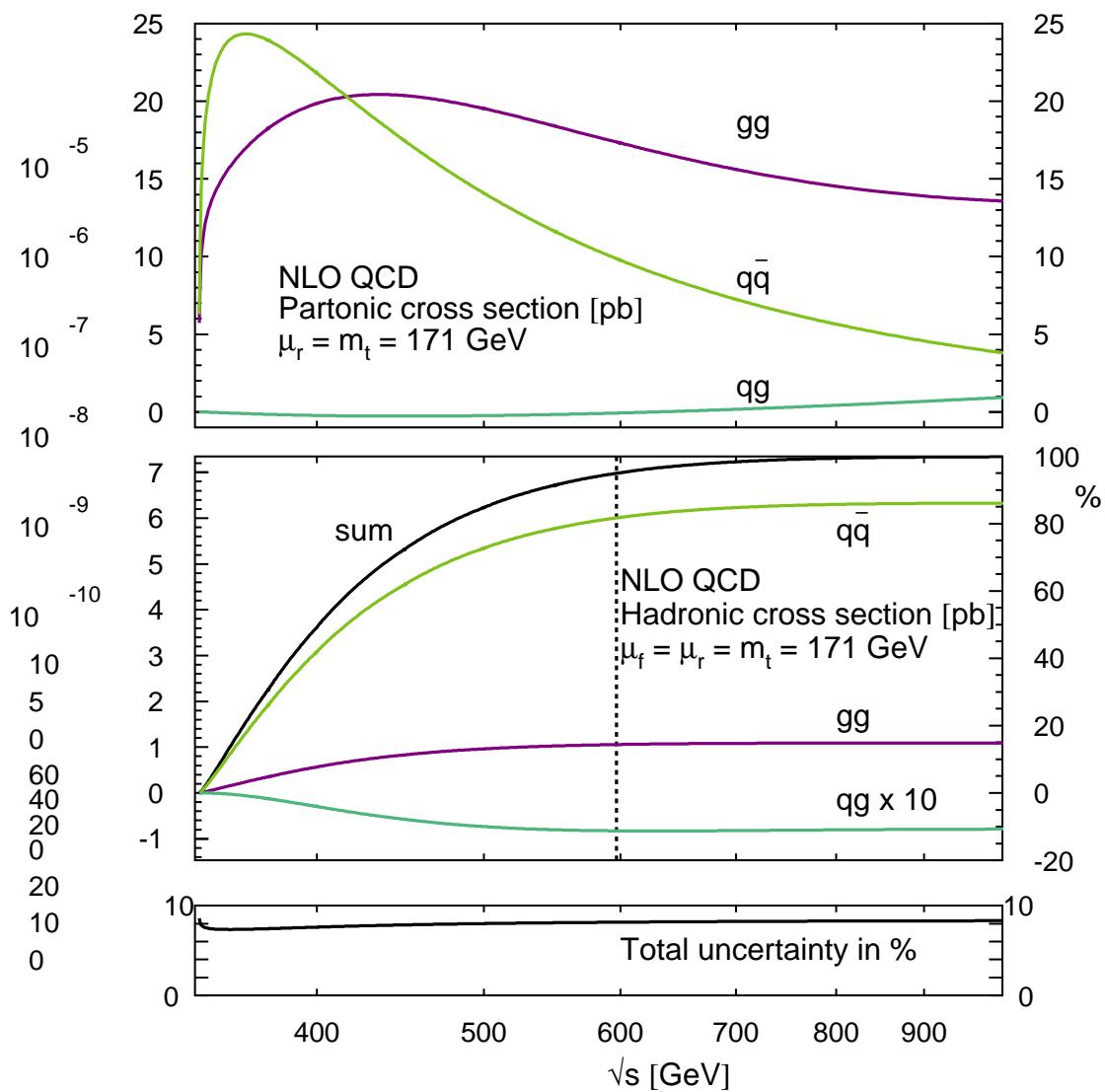
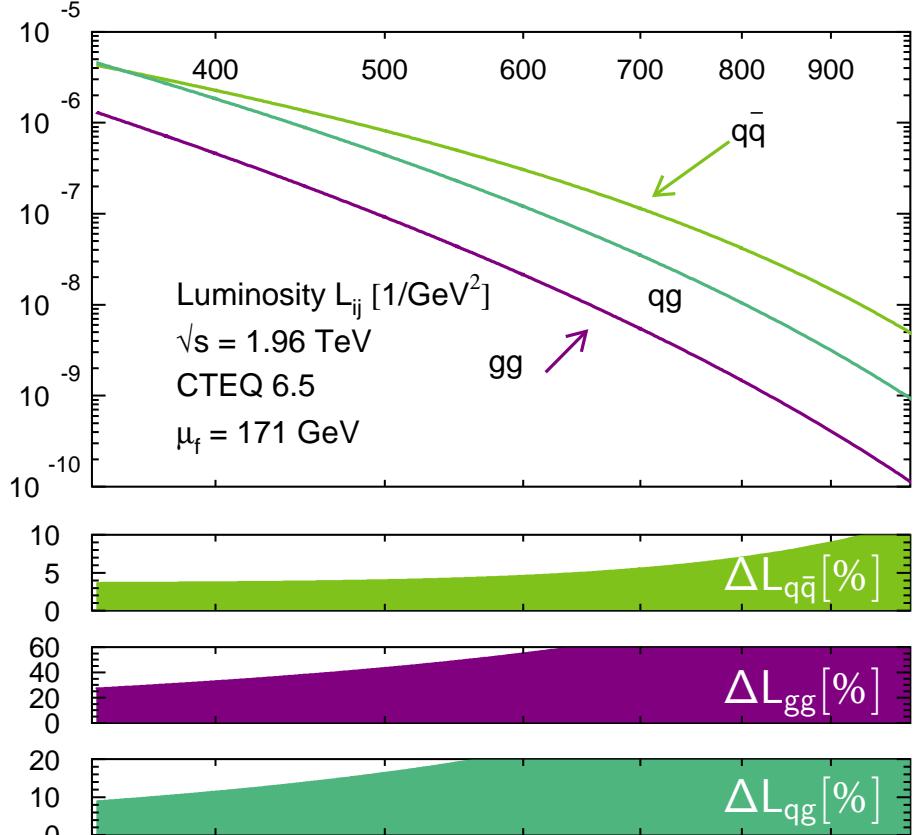
- Recall perturbative QCD:
 - calculation of observables as series in $\alpha_s \ll 1$
 - but: large logarithmic corrections, $\ln(\dots) \gg 1$
double logarithms (Sudakov)
- Soft/Collinear regions of phase space
 - double logarithms from singular regions in Feynman diagrams
 - propagator vanishes for: $E_g = 0$, soft $\theta_{qg} = 0$ collinear


$$\frac{1}{(p+k)^2} = \frac{1}{2p \cdot k} = \frac{1}{2E_q E_g (1 - \cos \theta_{qg})}$$
$$\alpha_s \int d^4 k \frac{1}{(p+k)^2} \longrightarrow \alpha_s \int dE_g d\theta_{qg} \frac{1}{2E_q E_g (1 - \cos \theta_{qg})}$$
$$\longrightarrow \alpha_s \ln^2(\dots)$$

- Improved perturbation theory: resum logarithms to all orders
 - long history of resummation Kidonakis, Sterman '97; Bonciani, Catani, Mangano, Nason '98; Kidonakis, Laenen, S.M., Vogt '01; ...

Total cross section at Tevatron

$$\sigma_{pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}} = \sum_{ij} f_i \otimes f_j \otimes \hat{\sigma}_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}}$$



Two-loop results

- NNLO cross section for heavy-quark hadro-production near threshold (all powers of $\ln \beta$ and Coulomb corrections) S.M., Uwer '08; Langenfeld, S.M., Uwer '09
 - e.g. gg -fusion for $n_f = 5$ light flavors at $\mu = m_t$

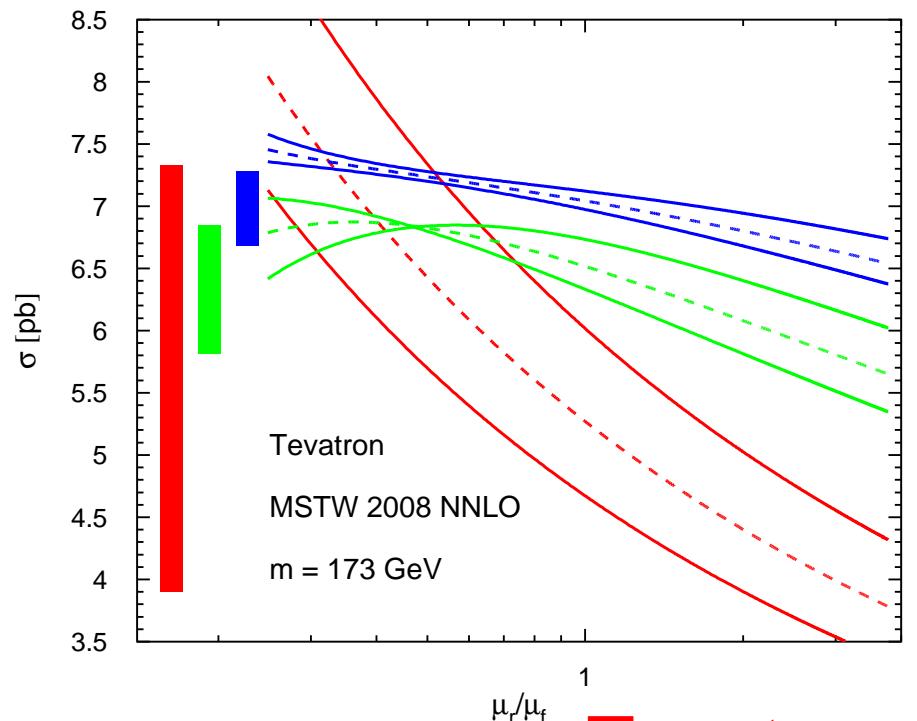
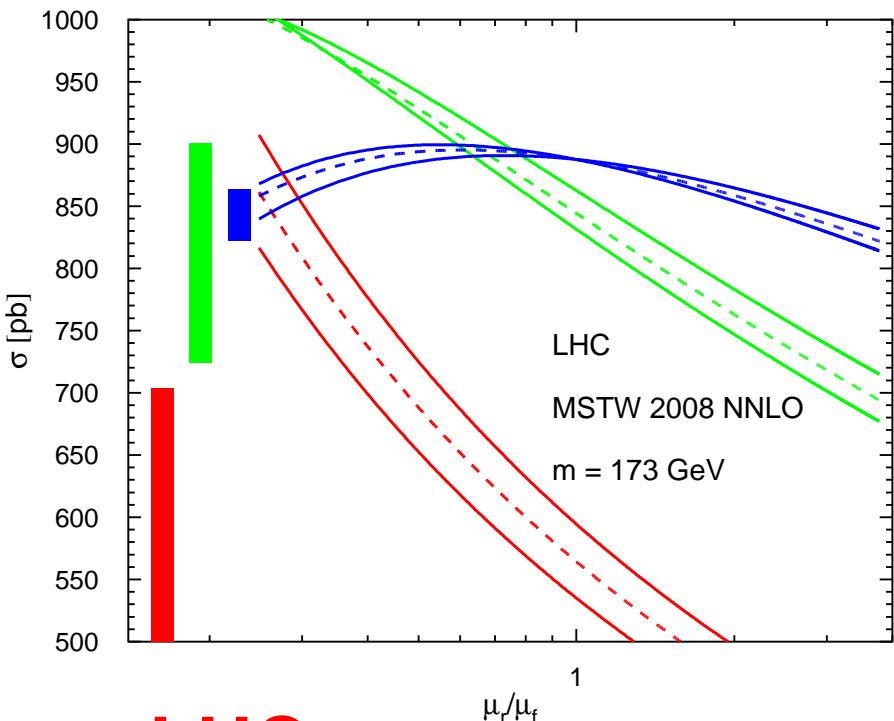
$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\sigma}_{gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}}^{(1)} &= \hat{\sigma}_{gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}}^{(0)} \left\{ 96 \ln^2 \beta - 9.5165 \ln \beta + 35.322 + 5.1698 \frac{1}{\beta} \right\} \\ \hat{\sigma}_{gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}}^{(2)} &= \hat{\sigma}_{gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}}^{(0)} \left\{ 4608 \ln^4 \beta - 1894.9 \ln^3 \beta + \left(-912.35 + 496.30 \frac{1}{\beta} \right) \ln^2 \beta \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left(2747.5 + 321.14 \frac{1}{\beta} \right) \ln \beta + 68.547 \frac{1}{\beta^2} - 196.93 \frac{1}{\beta} + C_{gg}^{(2)} \right\}\end{aligned}$$

Upshot

- Best present approximation to complete NNLO
- Similar results for new massive colored particles (4th generation quarks, squarks, gluinos, . . .)
S.M., Uwer '08; S.M., Langenfeld '08

Scale dependence

- Theoretical uncertainty from variation of scales μ_R, μ_F
 - plot with PDF set MSTW 2008 (but largely independent on PDFs)
 - mass $m_t = 173 \text{ GeV}$ (from $m_t = 173.1 \pm 1.3 \text{ GeV}$ Tevatron winter '09)
 - stable predictions in range $\mu_R, \mu_F \in [m_t/2, 2m_t]$
 - $-3\% \leq \Delta\sigma \leq +1\%$ at LHC
 - $-5\% \leq \Delta\sigma \leq +3\%$ at Tevatron



The total cross section

- pole mass $m_t = 173 \text{ GeV}$
 - different values of α_s and light quark PDFs at large x for CTEQ6.6 and MSTW 2008

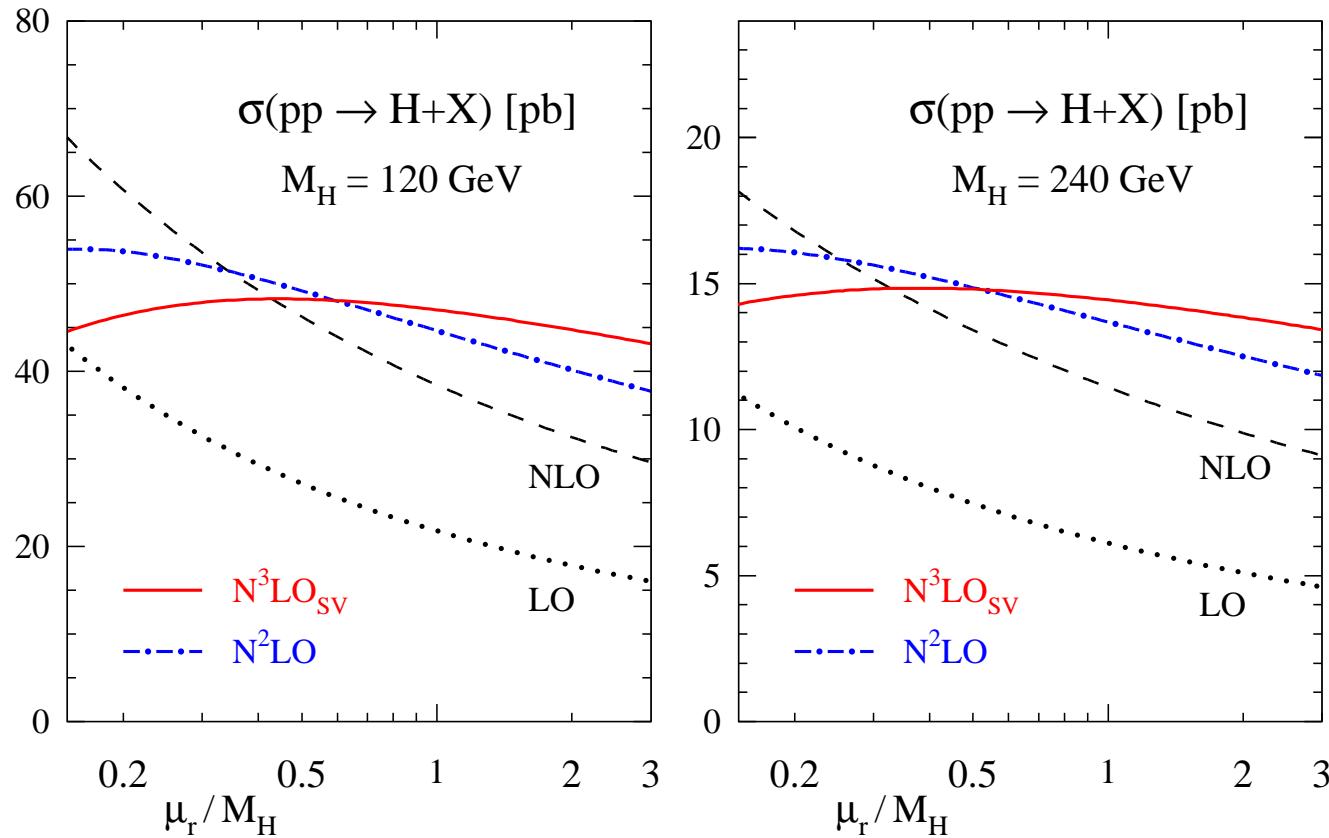
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Cross section for Higgs production



- Variation of cross section at LHC with renormalization scale for different Higgs masses: $M_H = 120\text{GeV}$ (left) and $M_H = 240\text{GeV}$ (right)
 - NNLO corrections
Harlander, Kilgore '02; Anastasiou, Melnikov '02; Ravindran, Smith, van Neerven '03
 - complete soft N^3LO corrections (dominant part at three loops) S.M., Vogt '05

Quality control

- Total cross section with $m_t = 173 \text{ GeV}$ at scale $\mu = \mu_R = \mu_F$
 - numbers from [arXiv:0804.1476](#), [arXiv:0807.2794](#)

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- Check of systematics: soft gluons
 - compare exact results against (at NLO and for NNLO scale dep.)

$$\hat{\sigma}_{\text{N...LL}}^{(n)} = \hat{\sigma}^{(0)} \left\{ \# \ln^{2n} \beta + \dots + \# \ln \beta + \dots + \frac{\#}{\beta} \right\}$$

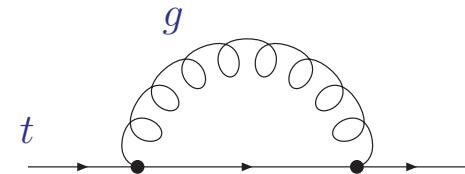
- Check of systematics: hard radiation
 - $t\bar{t}+\text{jet}$ production (large rates at LHC)
 - NLO for $t\bar{t}+\text{jet}$ is important part of NNLO for inclusive $t\bar{t}$
 - corrections are almost zero at scale $\mu_R = \mu_F = m_t$
- Estimate systematic uncertainty of total cross section $\Delta\sigma \sim \mathcal{O}(2\%)$
 - $\Delta\sigma \sim \mathcal{O}(10 - 15) \text{ pb}$ at LHC
 - $\Delta\sigma \sim \mathcal{O}(0.15 - 0.2) \text{ pb}$ at Tevatron

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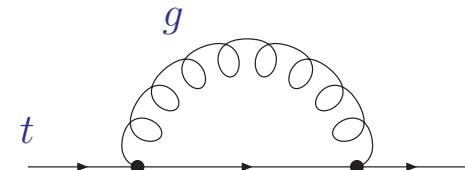
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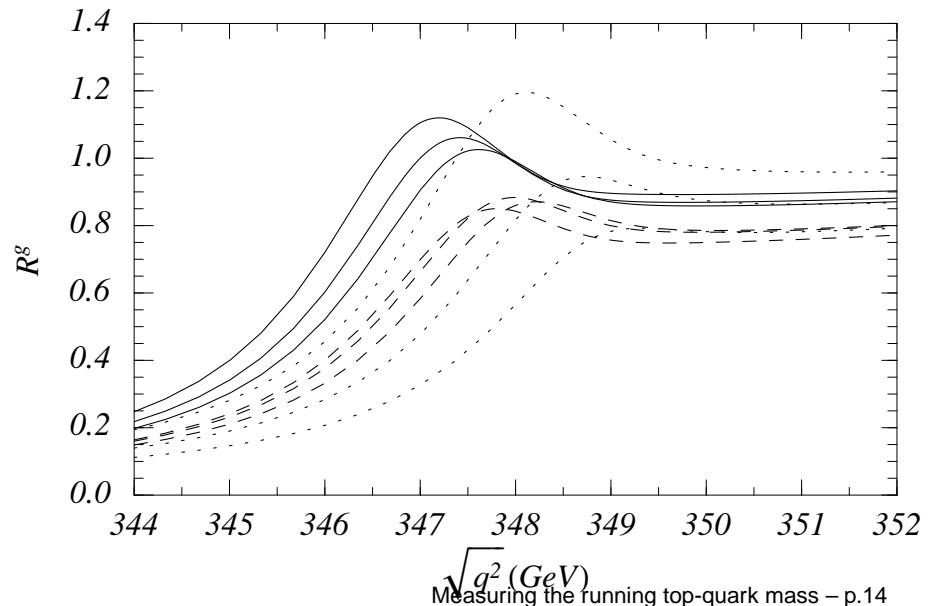
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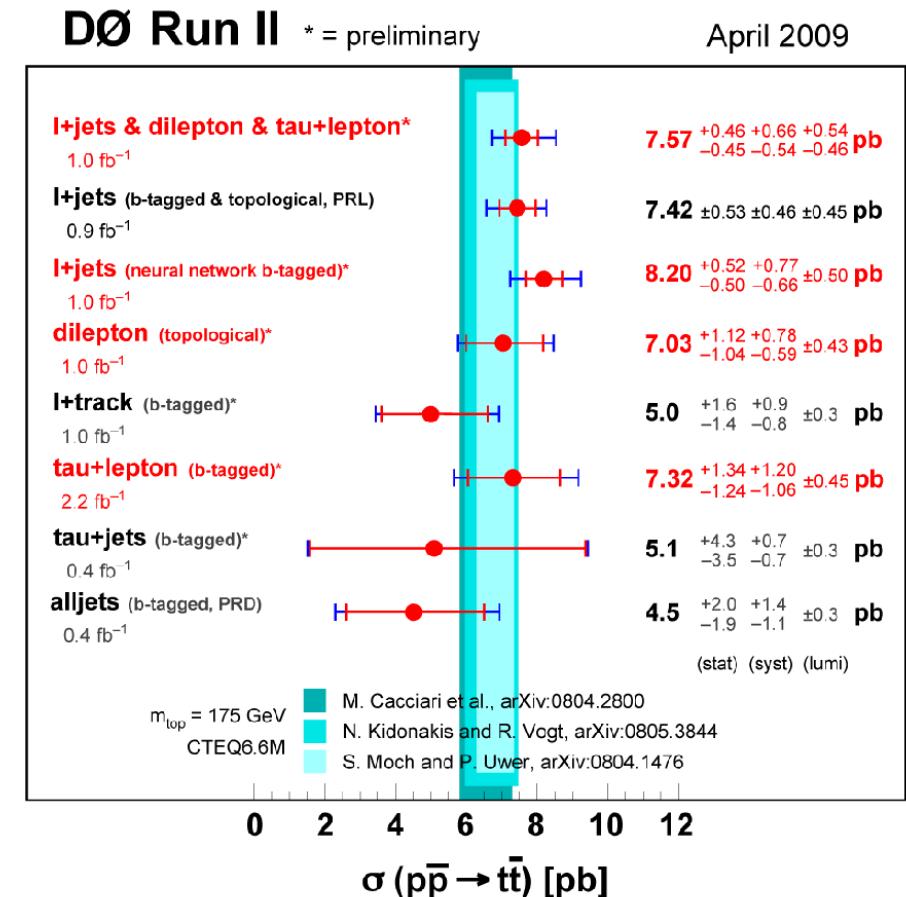
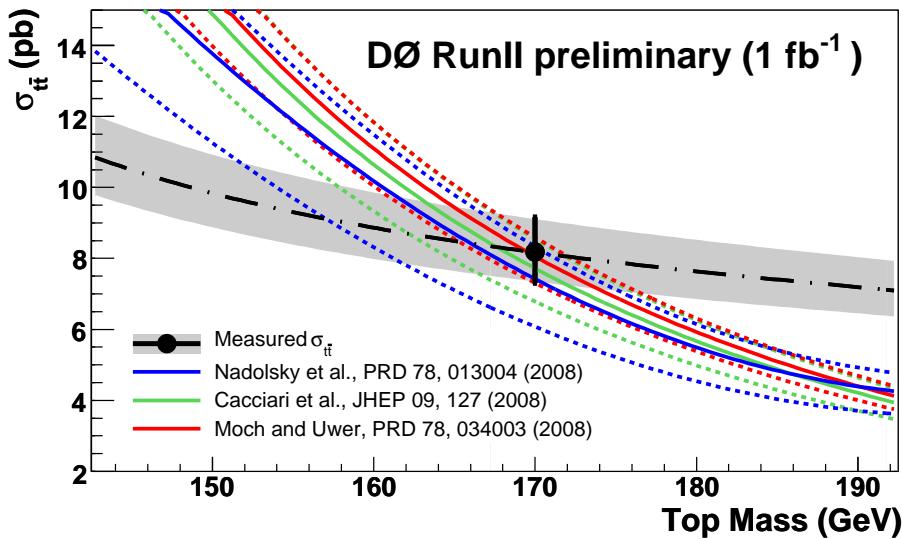


- heavy-quark self-energy $\Sigma(p, m_t)$ receives contributions from regions of all loop momenta – also from momenta of $\mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}})$
- Pole mass measurements are strongly order-dependent
 - e.g. threshold scan of cross section in e^+e^- collision
Beneke, Signer, Smirnov '99;
Hoang, Teubner '99;
Melnikov, Yelkhovsky '98;
Penin, Pivovarov '99;
Yakovlev '99
 - LO (dotted), NLO (dashed), NNLO (solid)



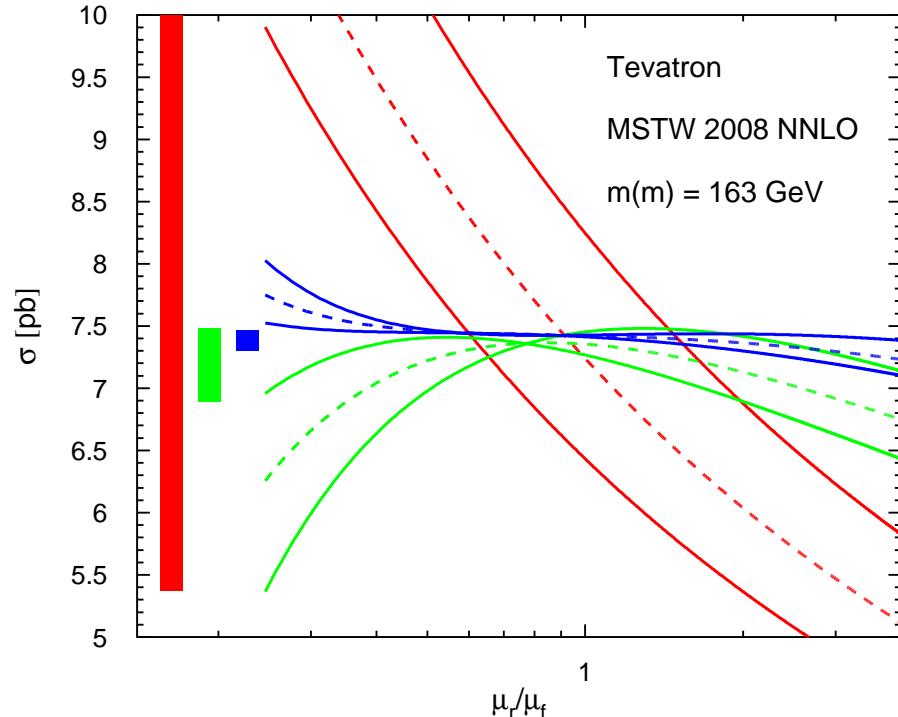
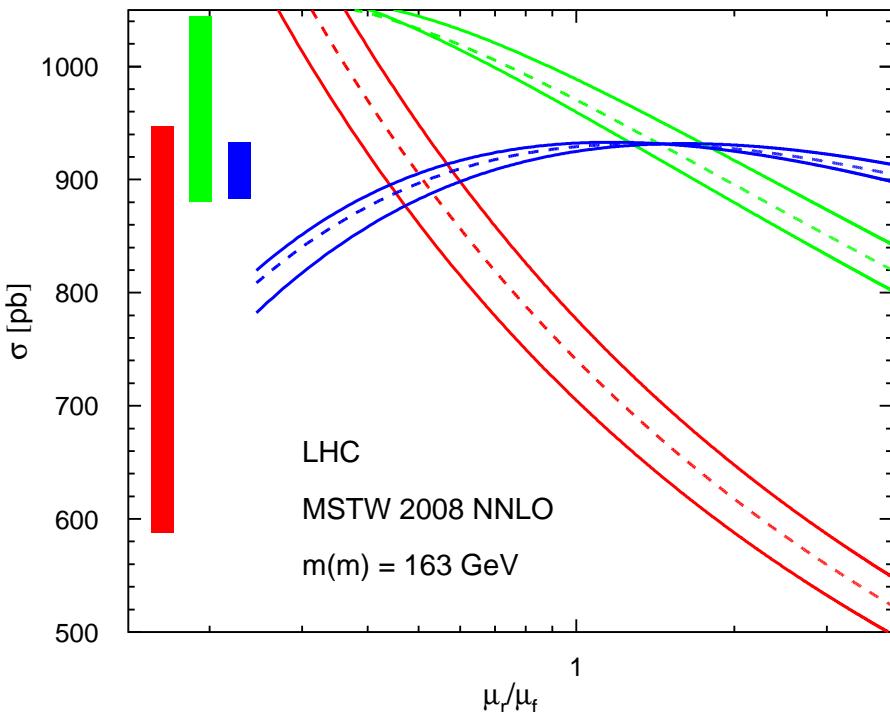
Tevatron analyses

- Total cross section and different channels of Tevatron analyses (theory uncertainty band from scale variation)
- Determination of m_t from total cross section (slope $d\sigma/dm_t$)
 - e.g. DZero '09: NLO $m_t = 165.5^{+6.1}_{-5.9}$; NNLO $m_t = 169.1^{+5.9}_{-5.2}$, ...



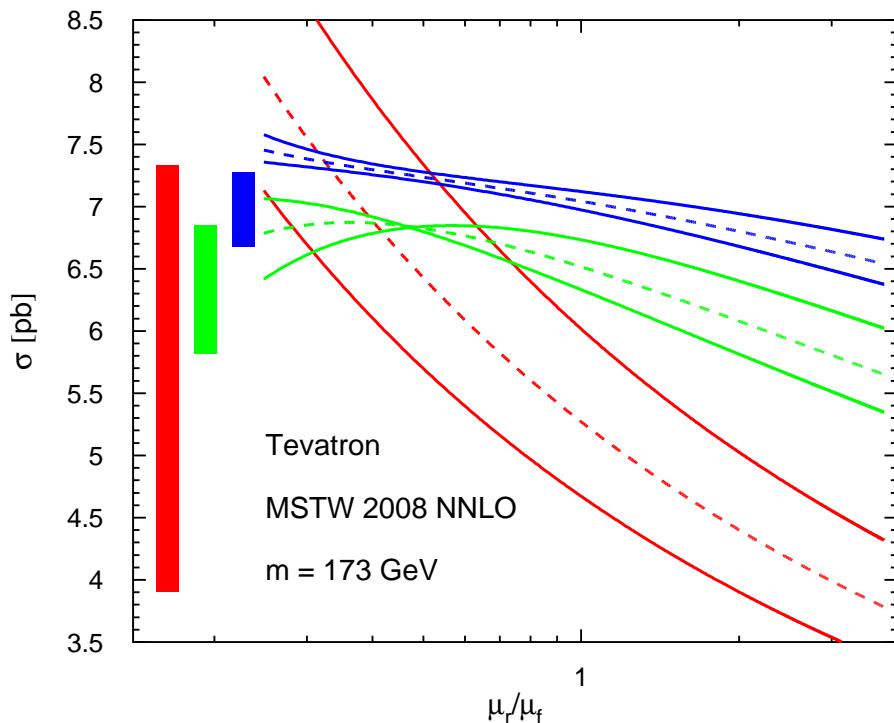
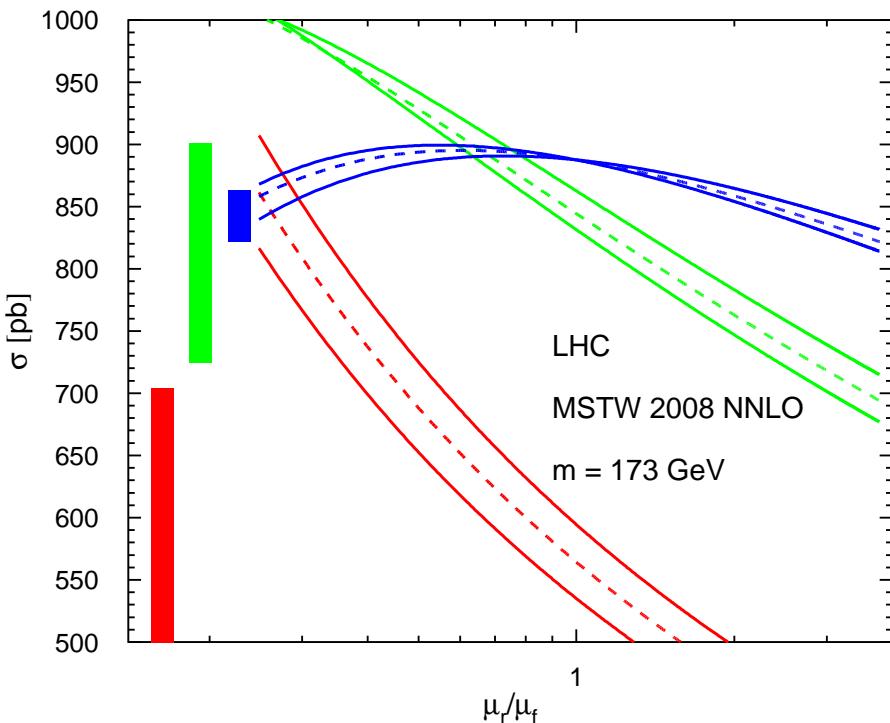
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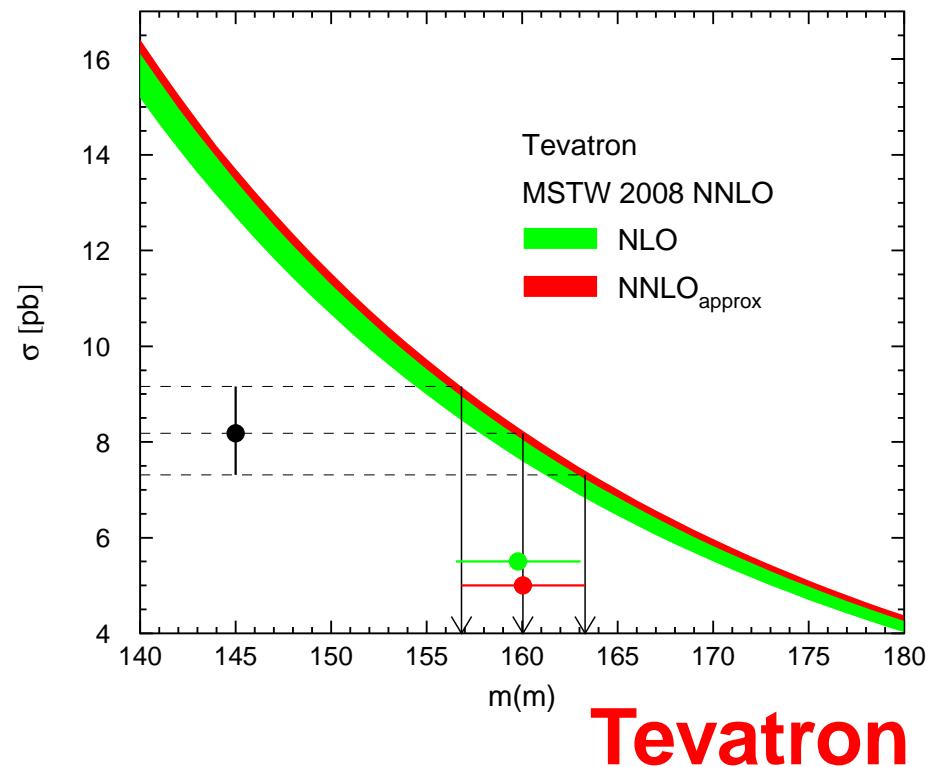
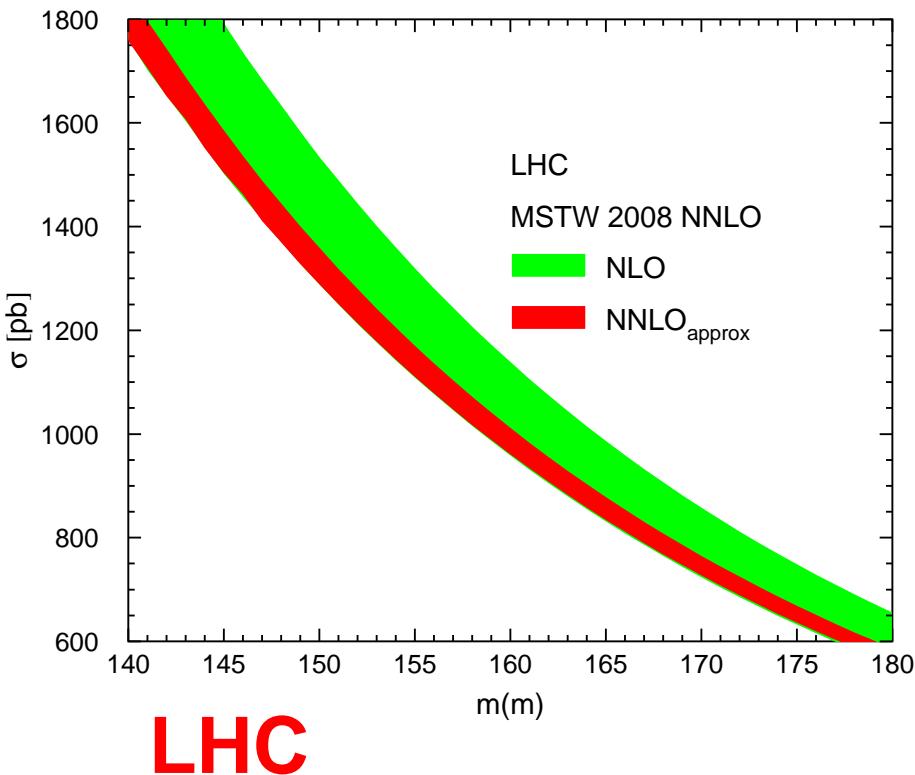


Mass dependence in \overline{MS} mass scheme

- Total top-quark cross section as function of \overline{m}

Langenfeld, S.M., Uwer '09

- theoretical uncertainty (band) due to variation of $\mu_R \in [\overline{m}/2, 2\overline{m}]$ for fixed set $\mu_F \in \overline{m}/2, \overline{m}, 2\overline{m}$



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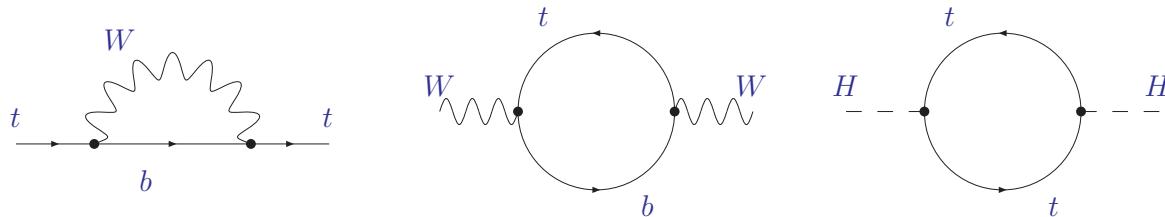
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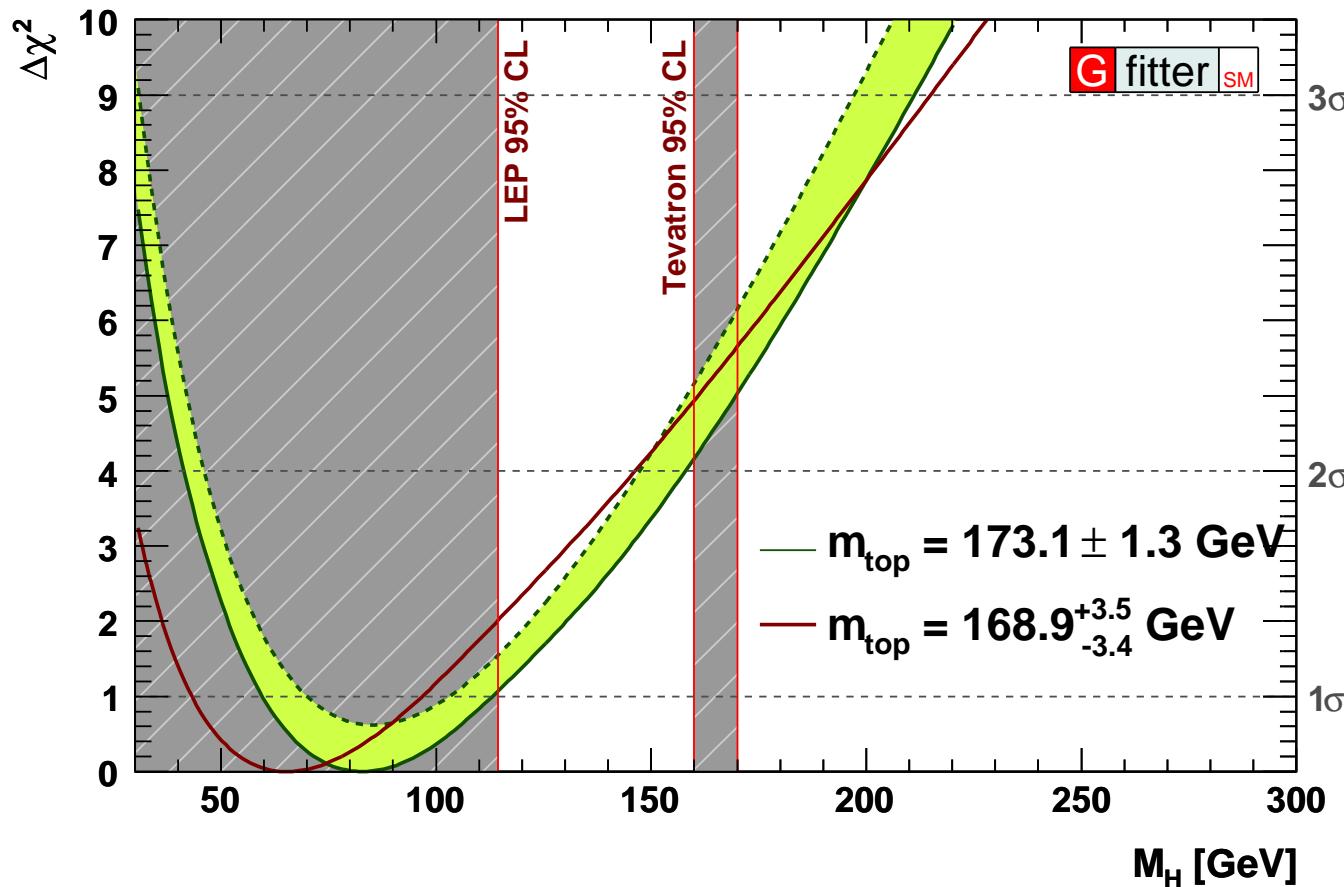
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- use m_t in precision analysis of electroweak observables (together with M_W) for constraints on M_H

Indirect Higgs searches

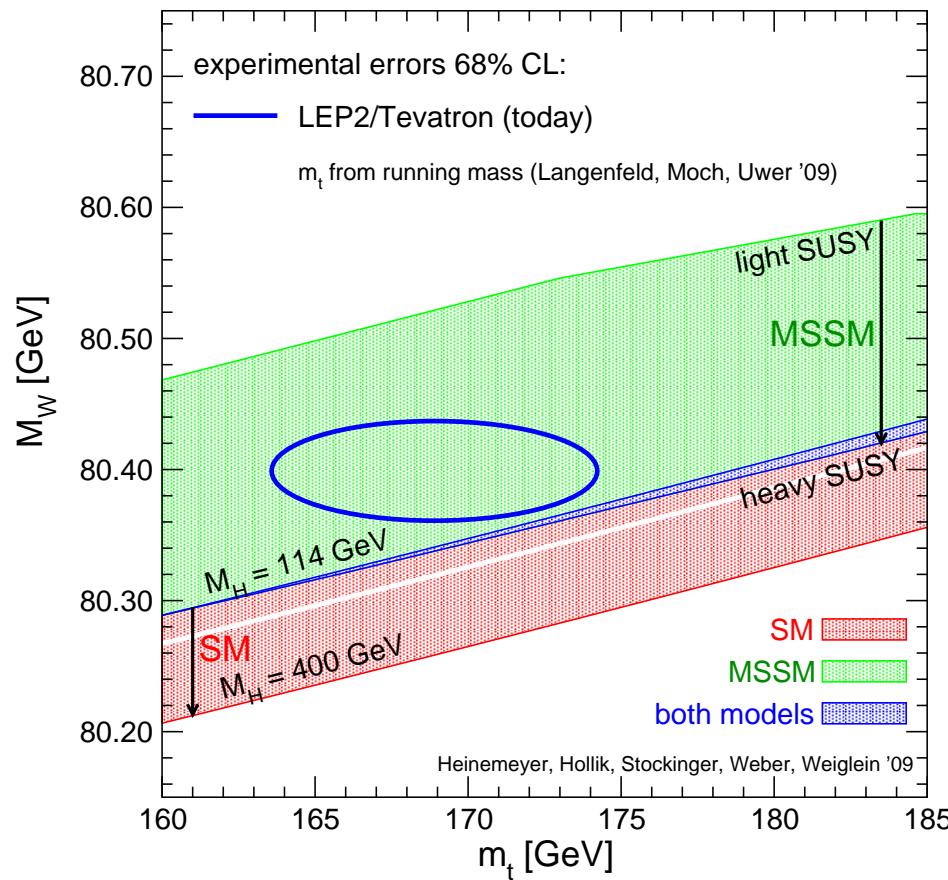
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Constraints on M_W and m_t

- Extension of electroweak precision fits to MSSM
Heinemeyer, Hollik, Stöckinger, Weber, Weiglein '09
- Relations for radiative corrections known through two loops

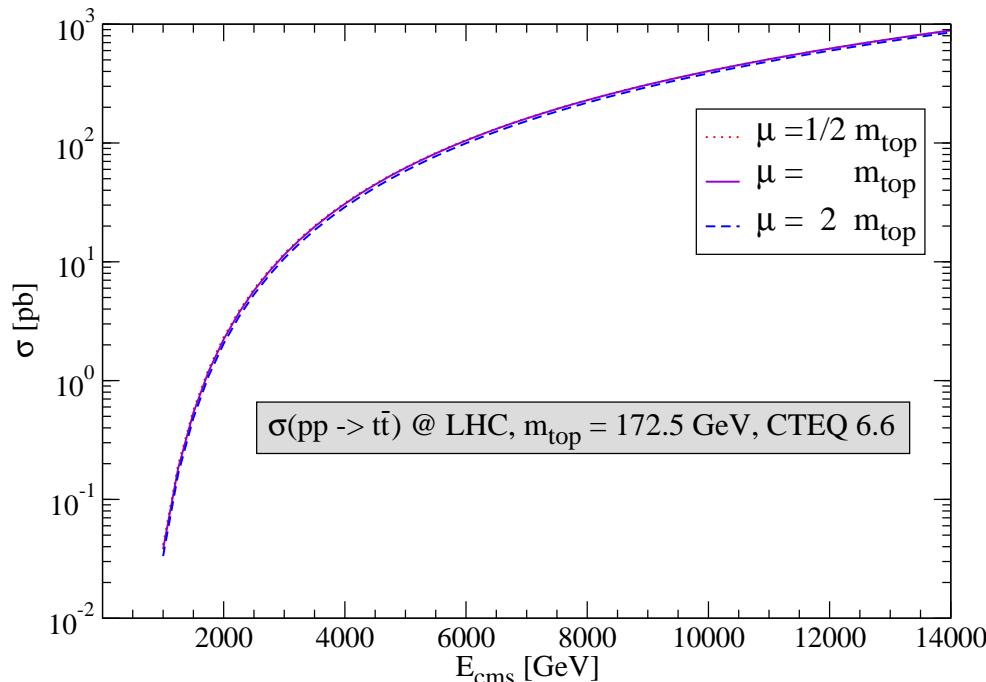


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Top quarks in early phase of LHC

Energy dependence

- Early LHC phase with reduced beam energy $0.9 \text{ TeV} \leq \sqrt{s} \leq 3.5 \text{ TeV}$
 - plot for $m_t = 172.5 \text{ GeV}$ (ATLAS default)
- Cross section at 7 TeV : $\sigma_{\text{NNLO}} = 161 \text{ pb}$ (MSTW08)
 - need luminosity of $10-100 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ at 7 TeV for cross section measurement



PDF issues

- $t\bar{t}$ -production cross sections at Tevatron and LHC
 - pole mass of $m_t = 173 \text{ GeV}$ at scale $\mu = m_t$
 - comparison of PDF dependence
MSTW08 and Alekhin, Blümlein, Klein, Moch '09

\sqrt{s} (TeV)	ABKM09	MSTW2008
1.96 ($\bar{p}p$)	6.91 ± 0.17	7.04
7 ($p\bar{p}$)	131.3 ± 7.5	160.5
10 ($p\bar{p}$)	343 ± 15	403
14 ($p\bar{p}$)	780 ± 28	887

- LHC
 - correlation of cross section with gluon PDFs
Nadolsky, Lai, Cao, Huston, Pumplin, Stump, Tung, Yuan '08
 - sensitivity to gluon PDF at large- x

Summary

- Top quark theory
 - improved understanding of theory and application of new concepts
 - resummation important for Tevatron and LHC phenomenology
- Total cross section
 - NNLO_{approx} prediction with exact scale dependence $\mu_R \neq \mu_F$
($\ln(\mu_R/m)$, $\ln(\mu_F/m)$ -terms)
 - cross check on systematics with NLO correction to $t\bar{t} + \text{jet}$
 - also: electroweak corrections; $t\bar{t}$ -bound state effects; ...
- \overline{MS} mass definition
 - running top-quark mass of $m(\mu = m) = 160.0_{-3.2}^{+3.3} \text{ GeV}$
 - greatly reduced scale dependence
 - much improved convergence of perturbation theory