



Electroweak corrections to hadronic event shapes

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1 Introduction

Jet event-shape observables at e^+e^- colliders

- characterize the topology of hadronic events without referring to details of the hadronic particle content
- allow for crucial tests of jet dynamics predicted by QCD
- sensitive to $\alpha_s(Q)$ at variable scale $Q = \sqrt{s}$

α_s from hadronic event shapes — status 2006 Bethke '06

$Q[\text{GeV}]$	$\alpha_s(M_Z)$	Δ_{EXP}	Δ_{TH}
14.0	$0.120^{+0.010}_{-0.008}$	0.002	$+0.009$ -0.008
22.0	$0.118^{+0.009}_{-0.008}$	0.003	$+0.009$ -0.007
35.0	$0.123^{+0.008}_{-0.006}$	0.002	$+0.008$ -0.005
44.0	$0.123^{+0.008}_{-0.006}$	0.003	$+0.007$ -0.005
58.0	0.123 ± 0.007	0.003	0.007

$Q[\text{GeV}]$	$\alpha_s(M_Z)$	Δ_{EXP}	Δ_{TH}
91.2	0.121 ± 0.006	0.001	0.006
133	0.120 ± 0.007	0.003	0.006
161	0.118 ± 0.008	0.005	0.006
172	0.114 ± 0.008	0.005	0.006
183	0.121 ± 0.006	0.002	0.005
189	0.121 ± 0.005	0.001	0.005
195	0.122 ± 0.006	0.001	0.006
201	0.124 ± 0.006	0.002	0.006
206	0.124 ± 0.006	0.001	0.006

Note: $\Delta_{\text{TH}} > \Delta_{\text{EXP}}$
with TH = QCD NLO \oplus resummations

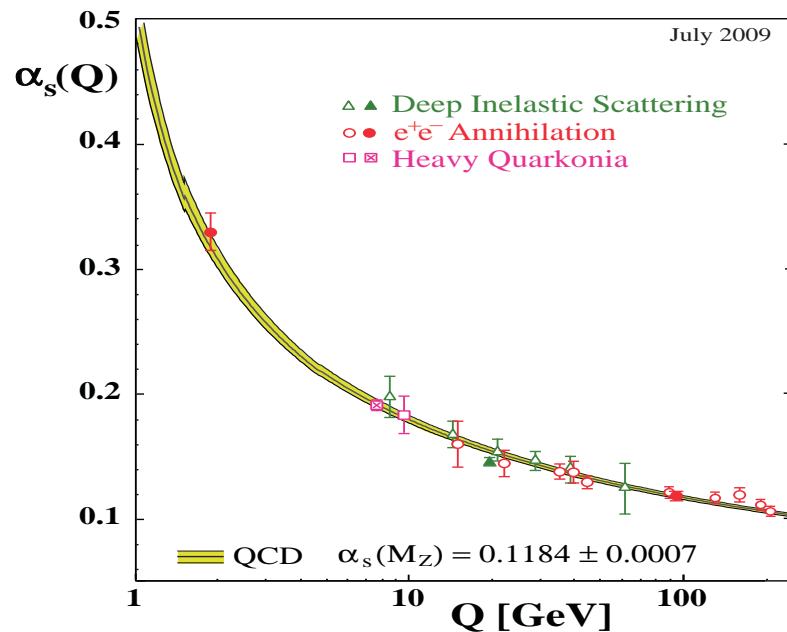
\hookrightarrow high motivation for recent QCD calculations at NNLO and NNLL

Gehrmann et al. '07-'09; Weinzierl '08,'09; Becher, Schwartz '08

Process	Q [GeV]	$\alpha_s(Q)$	$\alpha_s(M_Z)$	excl. mean $\alpha_s(M_Z)$	std. dev.
τ -decays	1.78	0.330 ± 0.014	0.1197 ± 0.0016	0.11818 ± 0.00070	0.9
DIS [F_2]	2–15	–	0.1142 ± 0.0023	0.11876 ± 0.00123	1.7
DIS [$ep \rightarrow \text{jets}$]	6–100	–	0.1198 ± 0.0032	0.11836 ± 0.00069	0.4
$Q\bar{Q}$ states	7.5	0.1923 ± 0.0024	0.1183 ± 0.0008	0.11862 ± 0.00114	0.2
Υ decays	9.46	$0.184^{+0.015}_{-0.014}$	$0.119^{+0.006}_{-0.005}$	0.11841 ± 0.00070	0.1
e^+e^- [jets&shps]	14–44	–	0.1172 ± 0.0051	0.11844 ± 0.00076	0.2
e^+e^- [ew]	91.2	0.1193 ± 0.0028	0.1193 ± 0.0028	0.11837 ± 0.00076	0.3
e^+e^- [jets&shps]	91–208	–	0.1224 ± 0.0039	0.11831 ± 0.00091	1.0

World average:

$$\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1184 \pm 0.0007$$



Definition of jet event-shape observables

Step 1: jet definition by jet algorithm

↪ cluster partons (particles in exp.) that are close to each other, e.g.

Durham alg.: successively recombine partons until all parton pairs i, j obey

$$y_{ij,D} = \frac{2 \min\{E_i^2, E_j^2\} (1 - \cos \theta_{ij})}{s} > y_{\text{cut}}$$

Note: different schemes for recombination $(i, j) \rightarrow ij$ possible (E, E_0, P, P_0)

Step 2: calculate n -jet cross sections $\sigma_{n\text{-jet}}$ and event-shape observables y

↪ confront theory with data

- hadronic cross section: $\sigma_{\text{had}} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sigma_{n\text{-jet}}$
- n -jet rates: $R_n(y_{\text{cut}}, \sqrt{s}) = \sigma_{n\text{-jet}} / \sigma_{\text{had}}$
- normalized event-shape distributions: $\frac{1}{\sigma_{\text{had}}} \frac{d\sigma(y)}{dy}$

Frequently used event-shape observables y

- **Thrust:** $T = \max_{\vec{n}} \frac{\sum_i |\vec{p}_i \cdot \vec{n}|}{\sum_i |\vec{p}_i|}$
- **Normalized heavy jet mass:** $\rho = \max\{M_1^2, M_2^2\}/s$
(M_i = inv. mass flowing into hemispheres H_i defined by plane perpendicular to thrust axis)
- **Wide / total jet broadenings:**
 $B_W = \max\{B_1, B_2\}, \quad B_T = B_1 + B_2, \quad B_i = \frac{\sum_{j \in H_i} |\vec{p}_j \times \vec{n}|}{2 \sum_k |\vec{p}_k|}$
- **C parameter:**
 $C = 3(\lambda_1 \lambda_2 + \lambda_2 \lambda_3 + \lambda_3 \lambda_1), \quad \{\lambda_i\} = \text{eigenvalues of } \Theta = \frac{1}{\sum_i |\vec{p}_i|} \sum_j \frac{\vec{p}_j \otimes \vec{p}_j}{|\vec{p}_j|}$
- **Jet transition variable:**
 $Y_3 = \text{value of } y_{\text{cut}} \text{ at which the event turns from 3-jet to 2-jet type}$

Note: 2-jet configuration appears at an endpoint of $\frac{d\sigma(y)}{dy}$ (e.g. at $T \rightarrow 1$)

↪ shapes of distributions sensitive to 3 and more jets, and thus to α_s

Theory prediction for jet event shapes ($e^+e^- \rightarrow n \text{ jets}, n \geq 3$)

$$\frac{1}{\sigma_{\text{had}}} \frac{d\sigma(y)}{dy} = \underbrace{\alpha_s C_{\text{LO}}^{\text{QCD}} + \alpha_s^2 C_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{QCD}}}_{\text{R.K.Ellis, Ross, Terrano '81; Kunszt '81; Vermaseren, Gaemers, Oldham '81; Giele, Glover '92; Catani, Seymour '96}} + \underbrace{\alpha_s^3 C_{\text{NNLO}}^{\text{QCD}}}_{\text{Gehrmann-DeRidder, Gehrmann, Glover, Heinrich '07-'09; Weinzierl '08,'09}}$$

$$+ \underbrace{\text{NLL resummation}}_{\text{Catani, Turnock, Webber, Trentadue '91,'93}} + \underbrace{\text{NLL/NNLO matching}}_{\text{Gehrmann, Luisoni, Stenzel '08}} \left(+ \underbrace{\text{NNLL resummation for } T}_{\text{Becher, Schwartz '08}} \right)$$

$$+ \underbrace{\text{non-perturbative hadronization effects}}_{\text{Korchensky, Sterman '95; Dokshitzer, Webber '95,'97; Dokshitzer, Lucenti, Marchesini, Salam '98}}$$

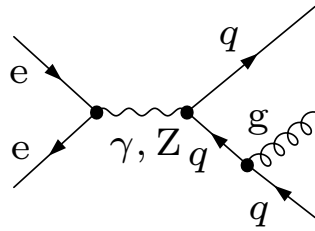
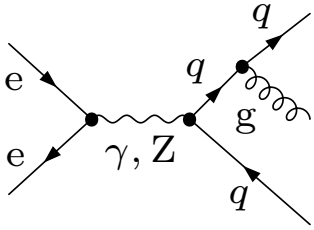
$$+ \underbrace{\alpha C_{\text{LO}}^{\text{EW}} + \alpha\alpha_s C_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{EW}} + \alpha^2\alpha_s C_{\text{LL}}^{\text{ISR}}}_{\text{subject of our calculation}}$$

partial results from Maina, Moretti, Ross '03
Carloni-Calame, Moretti, Piccinini, Ross '08

- Recent NNLO QCD results already included in α_s fit to event shapes
Gehrmann, Luisoni, Stenzel '08; Dissertori et al. '08; Bethke et al. '08; Davison, Webber '08
- **NLO EW** corrections potentially of same size as **NNLO QCD**, since $\mathcal{O}(\alpha) \sim \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$

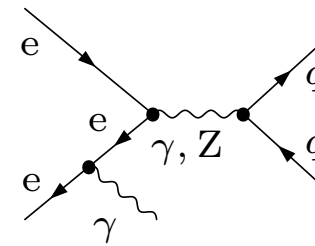
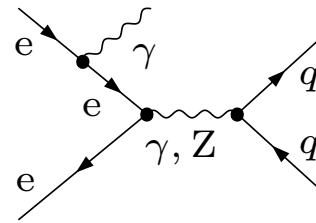
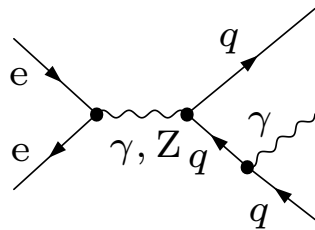
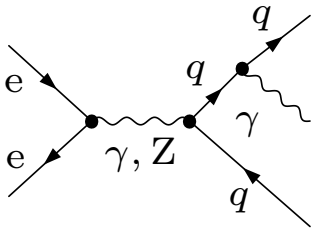
2 Calculation of NLO corrections

LO diagrams for $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}g$: $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^2\alpha_s)$



$q = u, d, s, c, b$

LO diagrams for $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}\gamma$: $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^3)$

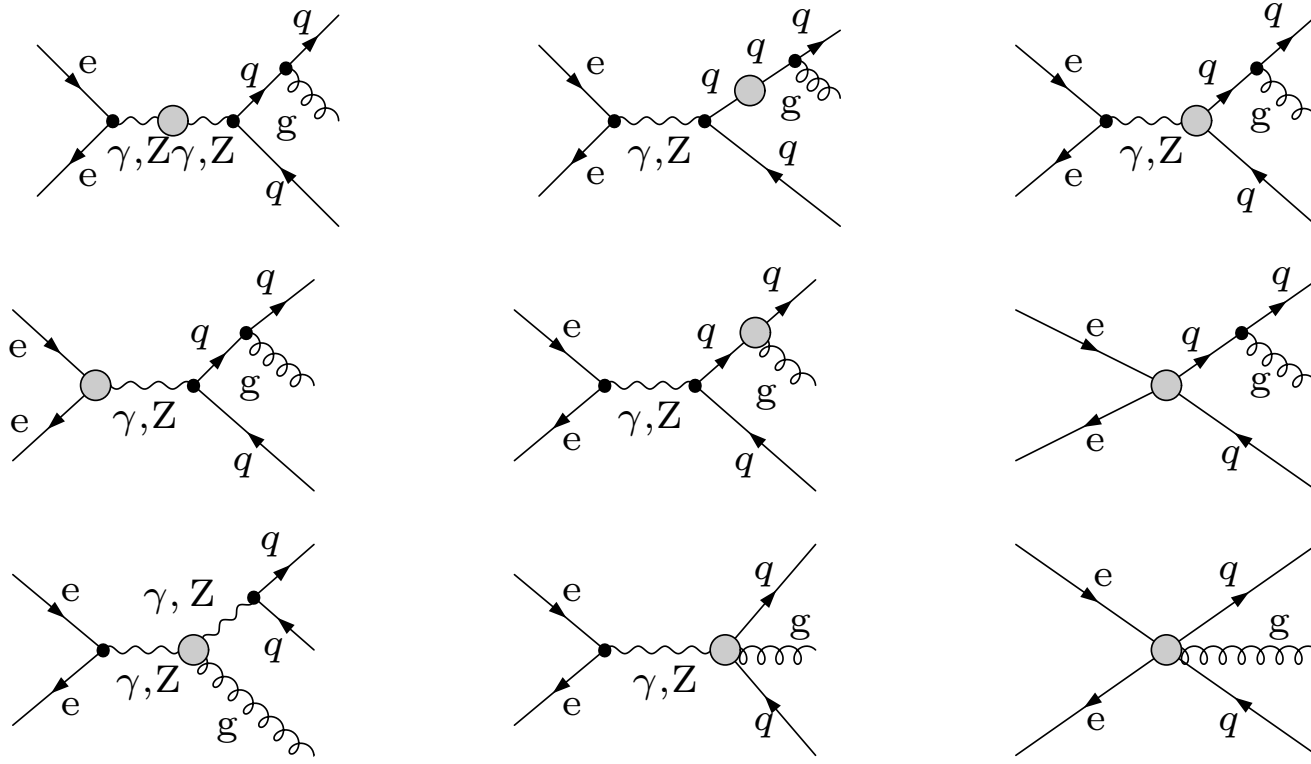


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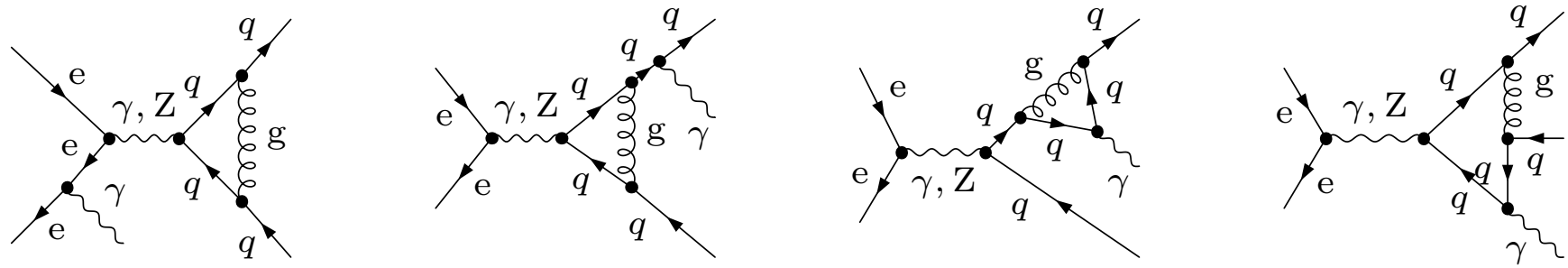
- $q\bar{q}\gamma$ final states in LO deliver contributions if γ is merged with q/\bar{q} , i.e. near 2-jet configurations
- focus of our calculation: $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^3\alpha_s) =$ NLO EW correction to $q\bar{q}g$ production
 $=$ NLO QCD correction to $q\bar{q}\gamma$ production

1PI loop insertions in EW one-loop corrections to $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}g$

$\mathcal{O}(200)$ diagrams

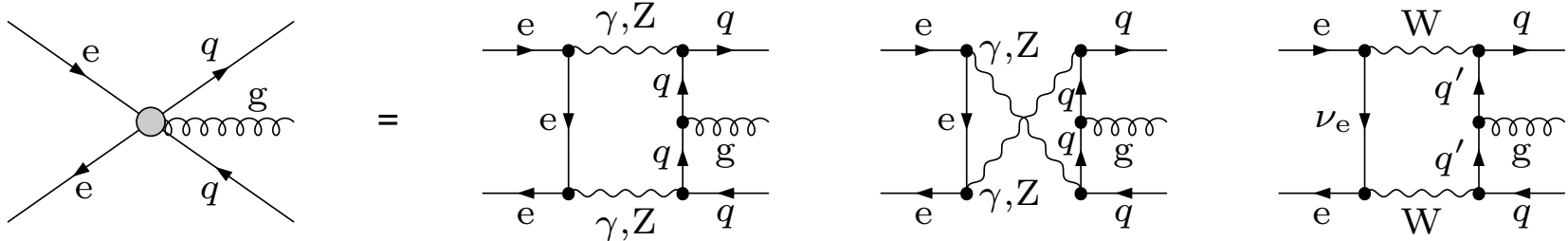


Sample QCD one-loop diagrams for $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}\gamma$



Most complicated parts of the loop calculation:

- pentagon graphs:



↪ stable reduction to box integrals without inverse Gram determinants

Denner, S.D. '02,'05 (similar to Binoth et al. '05)

- numerical instabilities in Passarino–Veltman reduction of tensor integrals

↪ expansion about exceptional points

Denner, S.D. '05 (similar to Giele et al. '04; R.K.Ellis et al. '05)

- gauge-invariant treatment of **Z resonance**

↪ “complex-mass scheme”

Denner, S.D., Roth, Wieders '05

The complex-mass scheme at NLO Denner, S.D., Roth, Wieders '05

Basic idea: $\text{mass}^2 = \text{location of propagator pole in complex } p^2 \text{ plane}$

\hookrightarrow consistent use of complex masses everywhere !

Application to gauge-boson resonances:

- replace $M_W^2 \rightarrow \mu_W^2 = M_W^2 - iM_W\Gamma_W, \quad M_Z^2 \rightarrow \mu_Z^2 = M_Z^2 - iM_Z\Gamma_Z$

and define (complex) weak mixing angle via $c_W^2 = 1 - s_W^2 = \frac{\mu_W^2}{\mu_Z^2}$

- **virtues:**

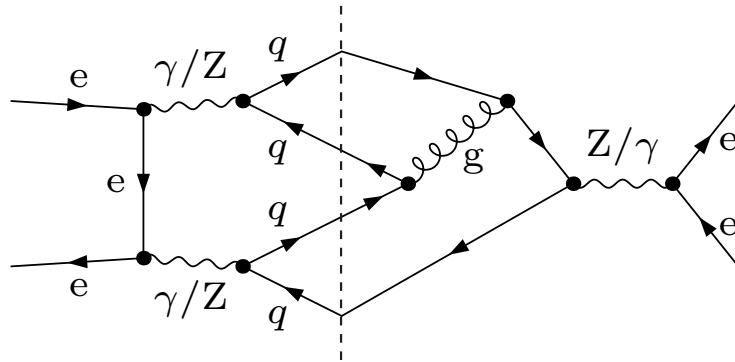
- ◇ gauge-invariant result (Slavnov–Taylor identities, gauge-parameter independence)
 \hookrightarrow unitarity cancellations respected !
- ◇ perturbative calculations as usual (loops and counterterms)
- ◇ no double counting of contributions (bare Lagrangian unchanged !)

- **drawbacks:**

- ◇ unitarity-violating spurious terms of $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^2)$ \rightarrow but beyond NLO accuracy !
(from t -channel/off-shell propagators and complex mixing angle)
- ◇ complex gauge-boson masses also in loop integrals

Real emission corrections at $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^3\alpha_s)$ and beyond

- $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}g\gamma$ = photon bremsstrahlung to $q\bar{q}g$ production
= gluon bremsstrahlung to $q\bar{q}\gamma$ production
- QCD–EW interferences for $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$



↪ non-singular contributions of $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^3\alpha_s)$ = same order as NLO EW

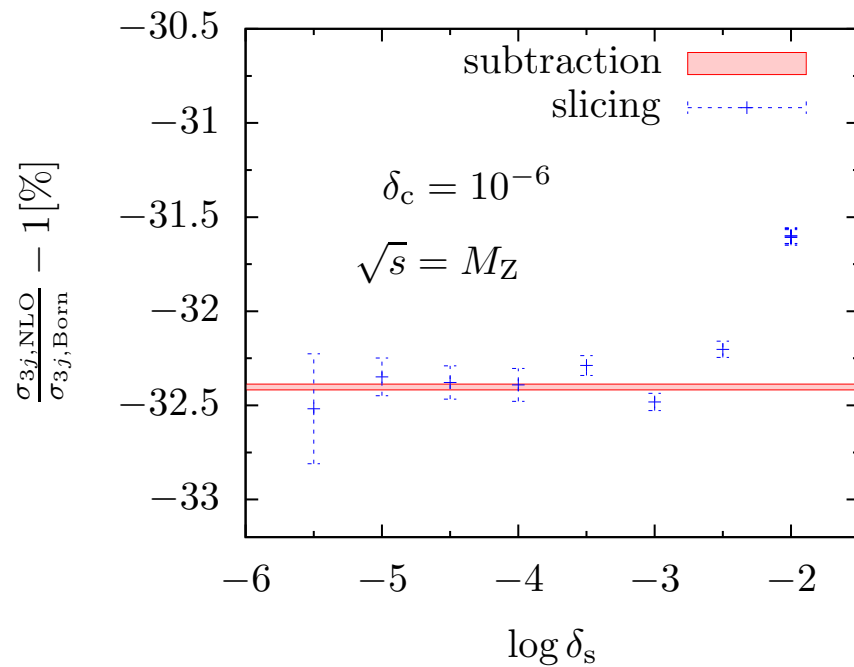
Interferences included in our calculation

↪ effect phenomenologically negligible ($< 0.1\%$)

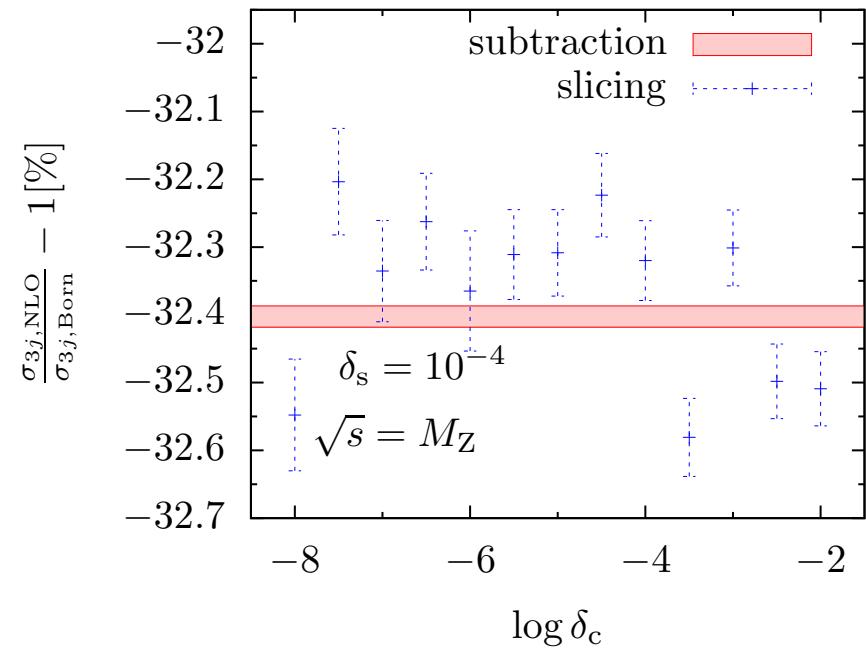
- higher-order photonic ISR included via leading-log structure functions up to order $\text{LO} \times \mathcal{O}(\alpha^3)$

EW corrections to the three-jet rate — dipole subtraction vs. two-cutoff slicing

$(y_{\text{cut}} = 0.0006)$



$(\delta_s = \text{soft cut}, \delta_c = \text{collinear cut})$



Here $\#(\text{slicing events}) = 10 \times \#(\text{subtraction events})$

↪ Dipole subtraction shows much better efficiency than phase-space slicing.

3 Definition of jet observables

Event selection: (closely following the procedure employed by ALEPH)

1. Discard particles too close to the beams, i.e. if $|\cos \theta_i| > \cos \theta_{\text{cut}} = 0.965$.
2. Reject event if $M_{\text{visible}} < 0.9E_{\text{CM}}$.
3. Boost to CM system of observed final-state particles.
4. Apply Durham jet algorithm with E recombination and $y_{\text{cut}} = 0.002$ to q, \bar{q}, g, γ
 \hookrightarrow photons appear inside jets
5. Reject “photonic events” where photon energy fraction $z > z_{\text{cut}} = 0.9$ in a jet.

Subtleties arising at NLO EW level:

- **Step 3 minimizes boost effects from collinear ISR photons**
(otherwise two-jet configurations do not always appear at event-shape endpoints)

But: at LEP two-jet events were shifted to endpoints “by hand”

\hookrightarrow renders confrontation between theory and LEP results difficult

- **Step 5 is not collinear safe**

\hookrightarrow perturbative result is plagued by quark-mass singularities $\propto \alpha \ln m_q$

Solution: include photon fragmentation function with non-perturbative input

Photon–jet separation via photon fragmentation function $D_{q \rightarrow \gamma}$

Why does a naive γ –jet separation by a jet algorithm not work ?

- collinear quarks and photons have to be recombined $\rightarrow (q\gamma) = \text{jet}$
otherwise corrections $\propto \ln(m_q^2/Q^2) \rightarrow$ perturbative “IR instability”
- quark and gluon jets cannot be distinguished event by event
 \hookrightarrow common recombination required for quarks/gluons with photons

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{(\mathbf{g}_{\text{hard}} + \boldsymbol{\gamma}_{\text{soft}})}_{\text{EW corr. to 3 jets}} \text{ and } \underbrace{(\mathbf{g}_{\text{soft}} + \boldsymbol{\gamma}_{\text{hard}})}_{\text{QCD corr. to 2 jets} + \boldsymbol{\gamma}} \text{ both appear as 3 jets}$$

Solution:

- exclude events with photon energy fraction $z_\gamma = \frac{E_\gamma}{E_{\text{jet}} + E_\gamma} > z_0$
for (jet + γ) quasiparticles
- subtract convolution of LO cross section with

$$D_{q \rightarrow \gamma}^{\overline{\text{MS}}}(z_\gamma, \mu_{\text{fact}}) \Big|_{\text{mass.reg.}} = P_{q \rightarrow \gamma}(z_\gamma) \left[\ln \frac{m_q^2}{\mu_{\text{fact}}^2} + 2 \ln z_\gamma + 1 \right] \leftarrow \text{cancels coll. singularities}$$

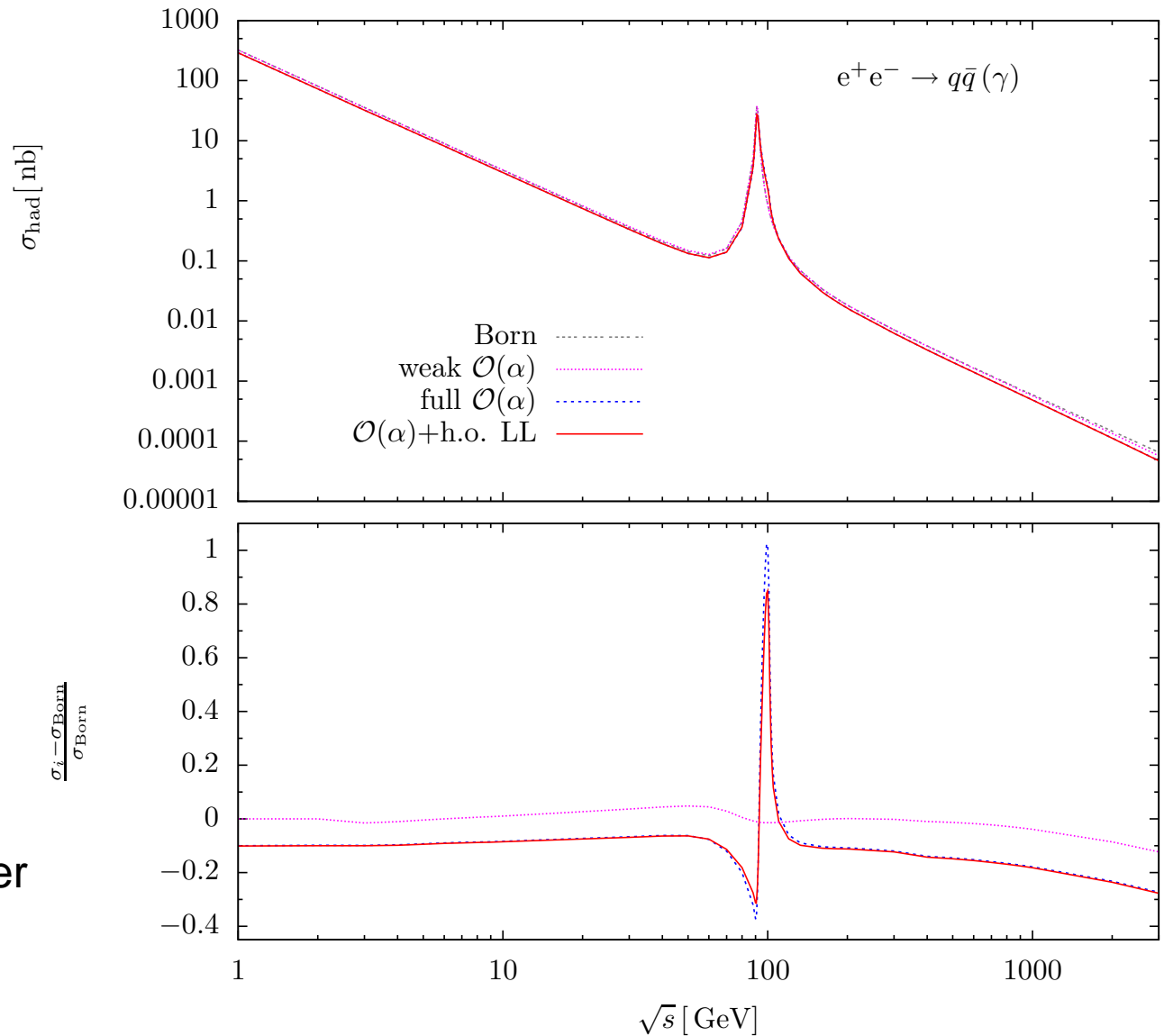
$$+ D_{q \rightarrow \gamma}^{\text{ALEPH}}(z_\gamma, \mu_{\text{fact}}) \leftarrow \text{non-perturbative part fitted to ALEPH data on } e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{jet} + \gamma$$

where $P_{q \rightarrow \gamma}(z_\gamma) = \frac{1+(1-z_\gamma)^2}{z_\gamma} = \text{quark-to-photon splitting function}$

4 Numerical results

Total hadronic cross section

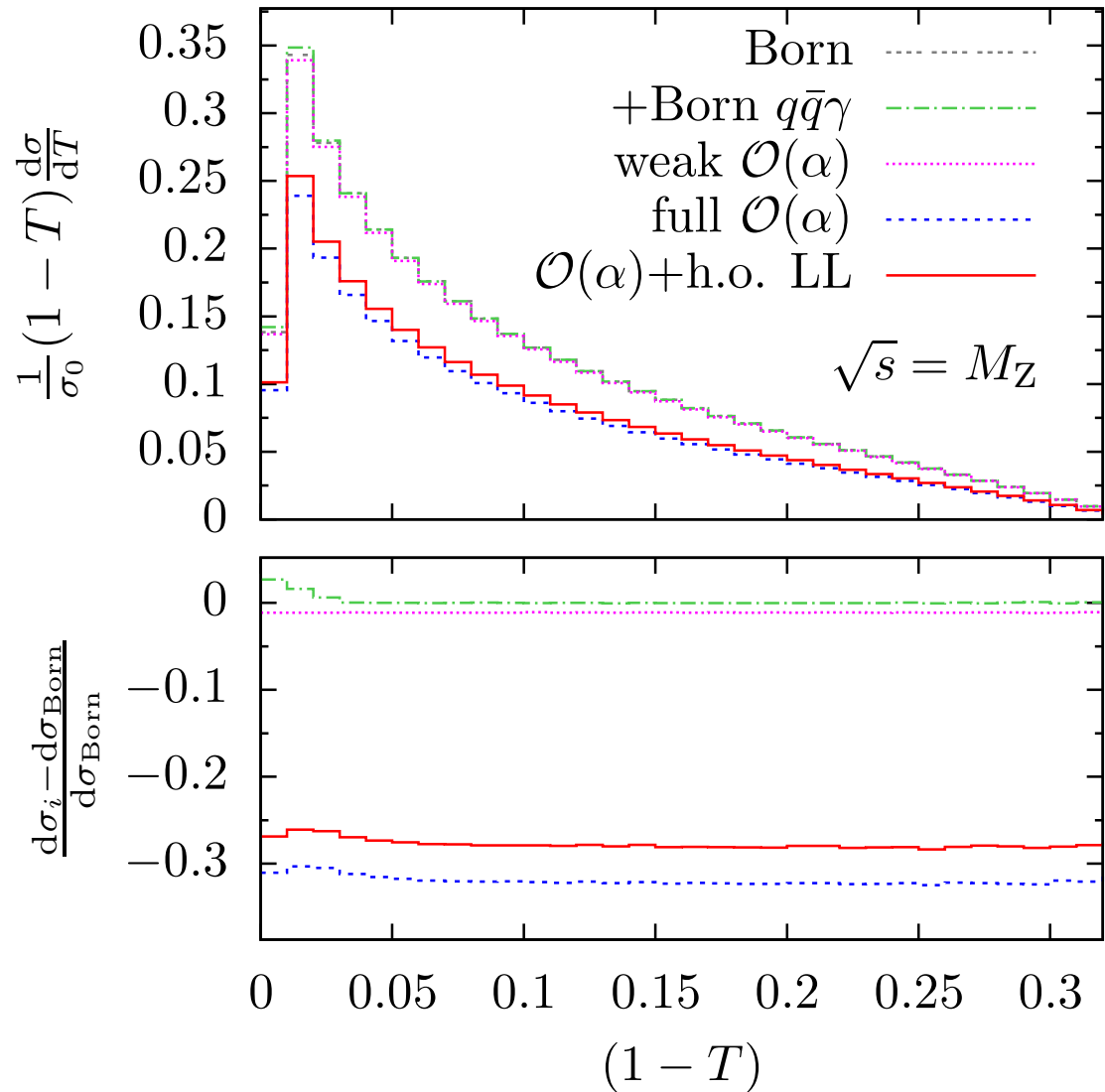
- largest EW corrections due to ISR
(radiative return cut off by cut $M_{\text{visible}} < 0.9\sqrt{s}$)
- ISR beyond one loop relevant (some %) for $\sqrt{s} \sim M_Z$
- weak corrs. of $\mathcal{O}(5\%)$, increasingly negative for large \sqrt{s}
- Note: σ_{had} calculated to same perturbative order as $d\sigma/dy$ to obtain a proper normalization



Thrust distribution — normalized to LO hadronic cross section σ_0

$$\sqrt{s} = M_Z$$

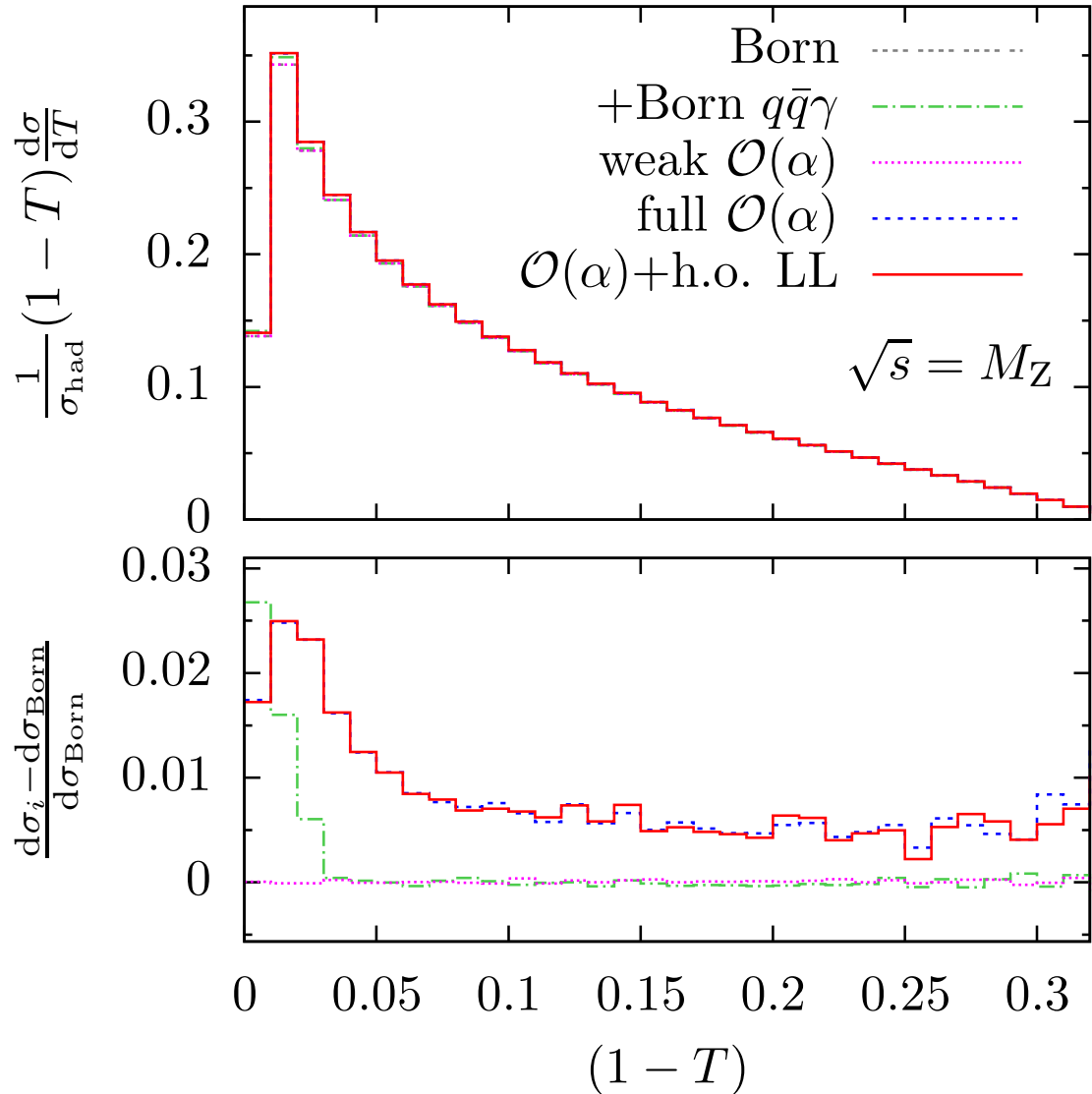
- large ISR effects as for σ_{had}
- h.o. ISR \sim some %
- genuine weak effects of few %, but flat
- $q\bar{q}\gamma$ final states visible for $T \rightarrow 1$



Thrust distribution — normalized to full hadronic cross section σ_{had}

$$\sqrt{s} = M_Z$$

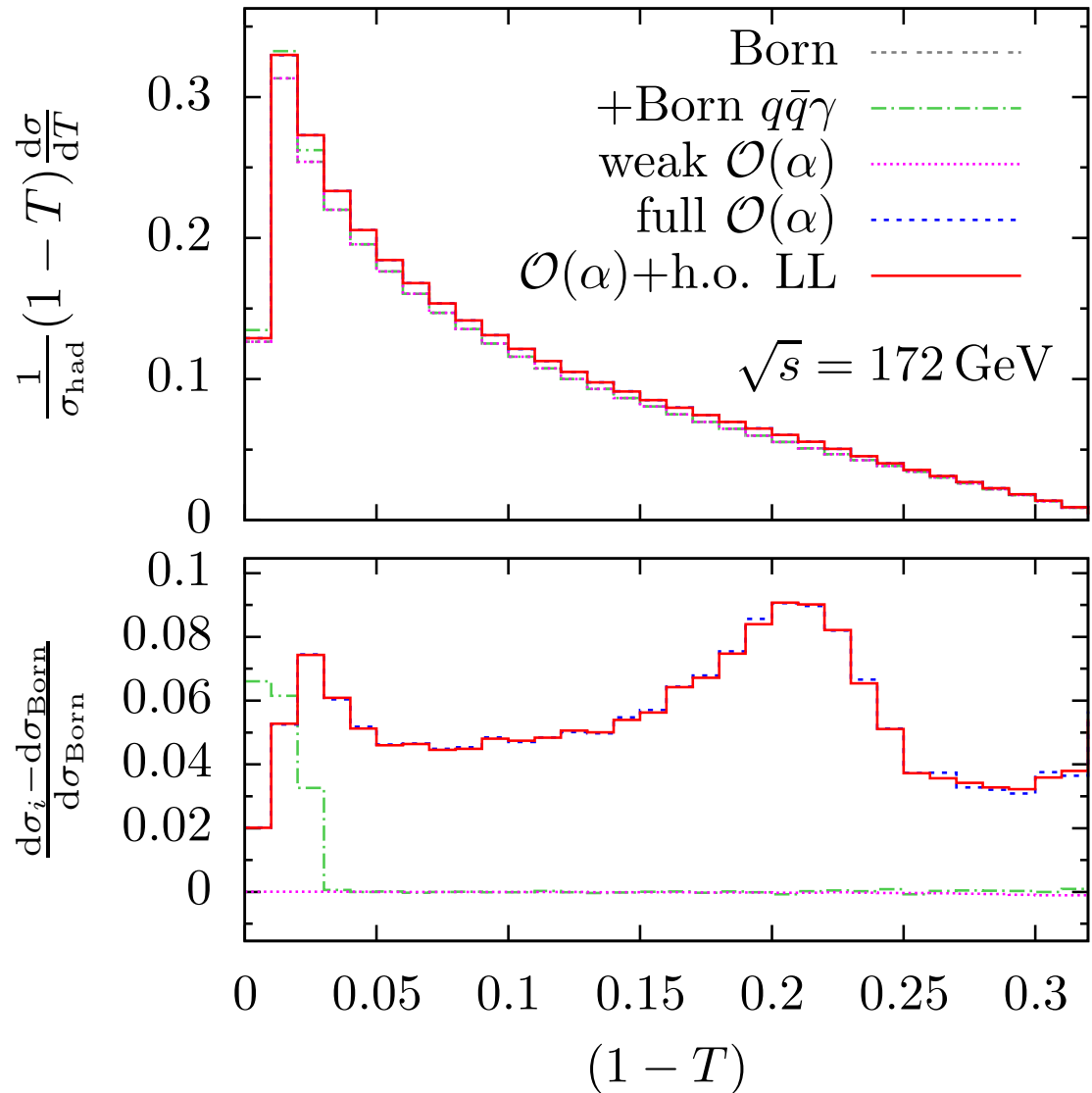
- large ISR effects in $\frac{d\sigma}{dT}$ cancel against σ_{had}
 \hookrightarrow % effects
- h.o. ISR irrelevant
 (proper normalization important)
- genuine weak effects below 0.1%
- $q\bar{q}\gamma$ final states $\sim \mathcal{O}(2\%)$ for $T \gtrsim 0.97$



Normalized thrust distribution — increasing CM energy

$$\sqrt{s} = 172 \text{ GeV}$$

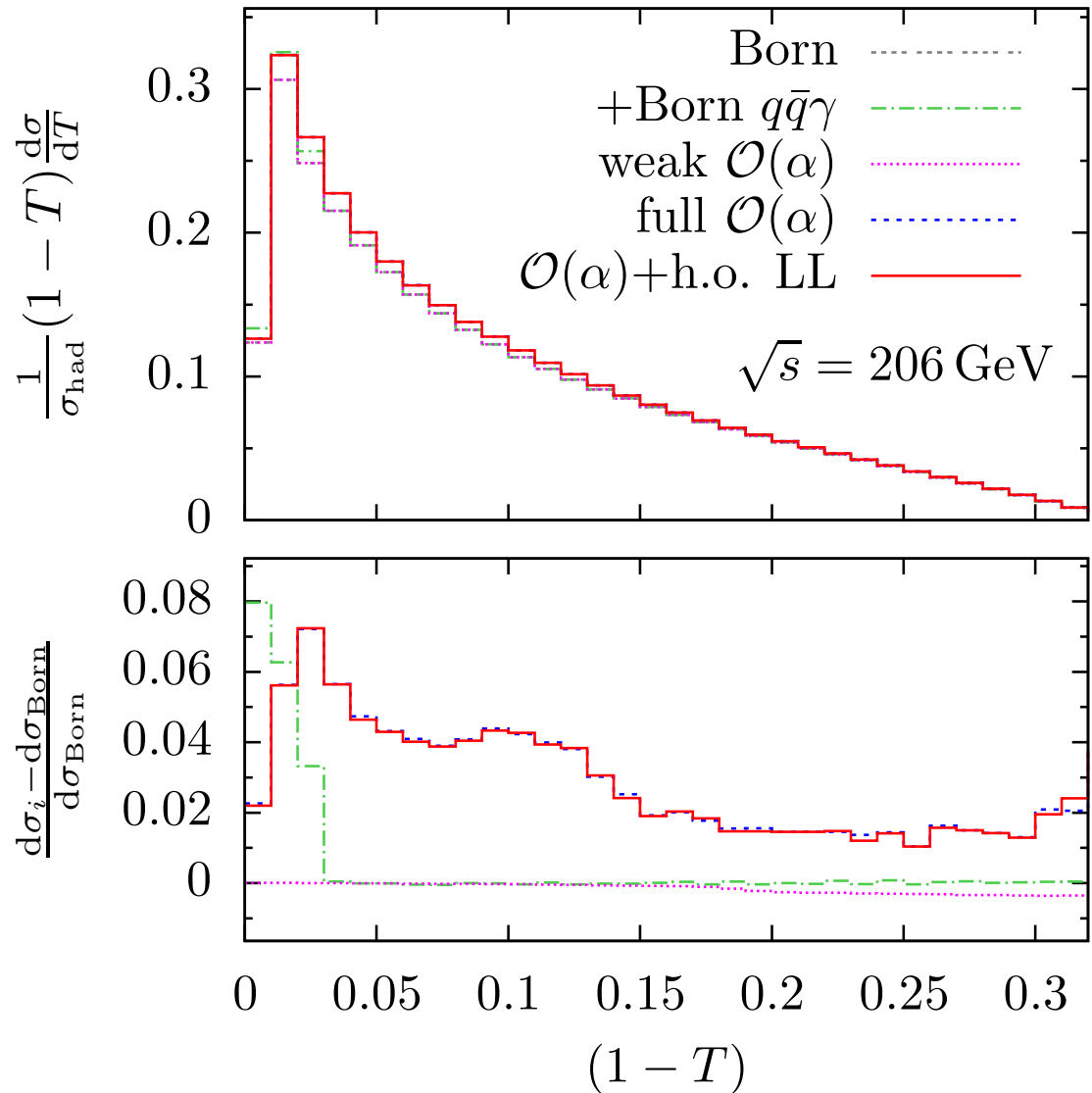
- ISR develops structures that depend on y_{cut} and on event selection
- h.o. ISR irrelevant
- genuine weak effects remain small ($\sim 1\%$ at $\sqrt{s} = 500 \text{ GeV}$)
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Normalized thrust distribution — increasing CM energy

$$\sqrt{s} = 206 \text{ GeV}$$

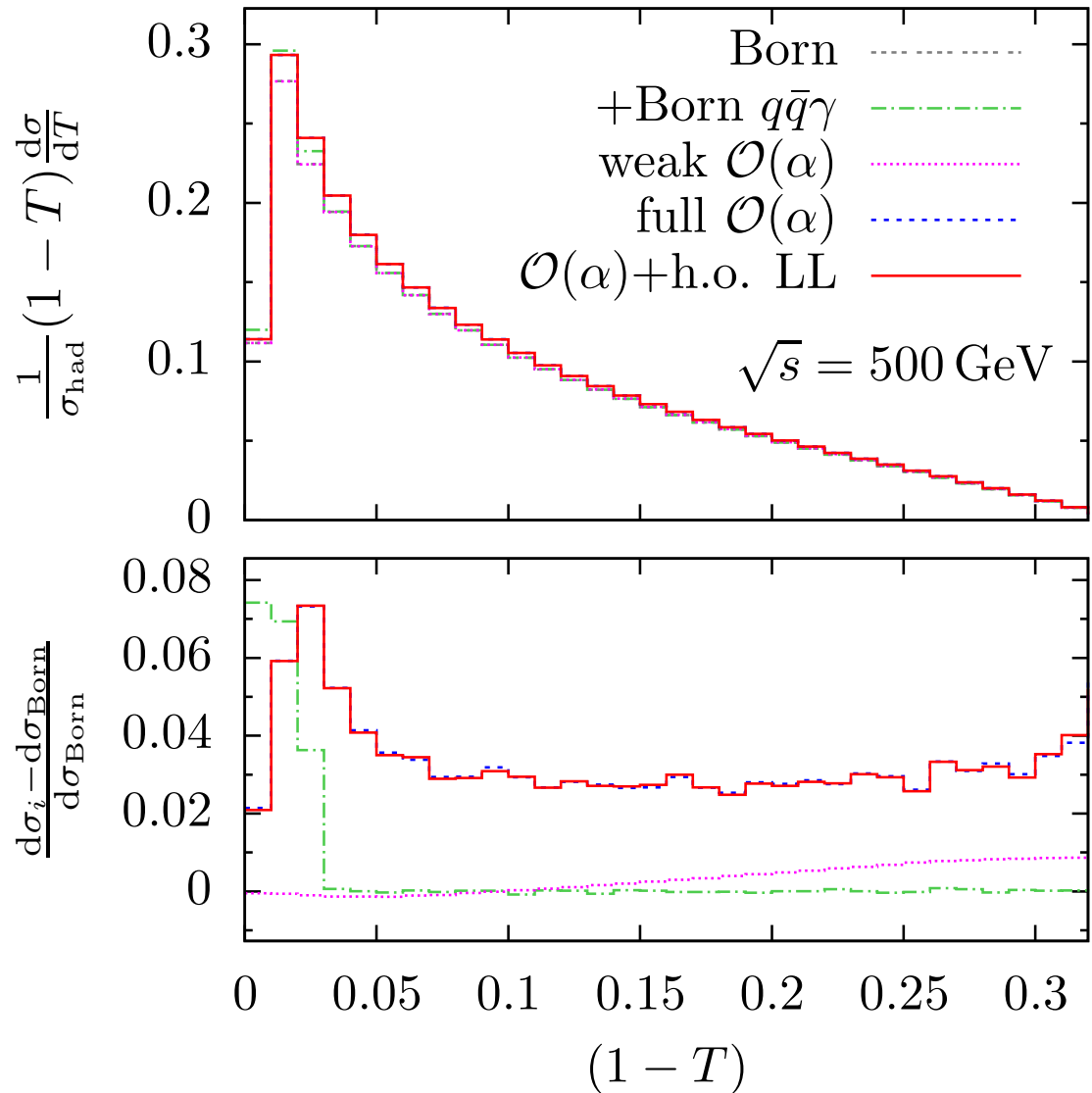
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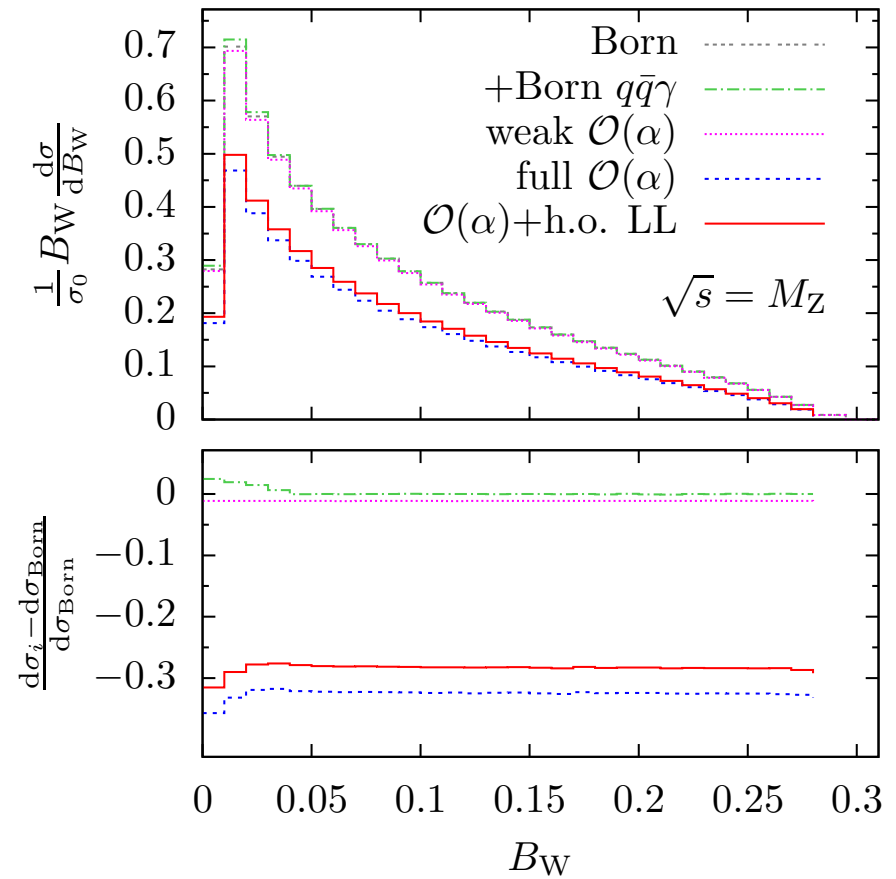
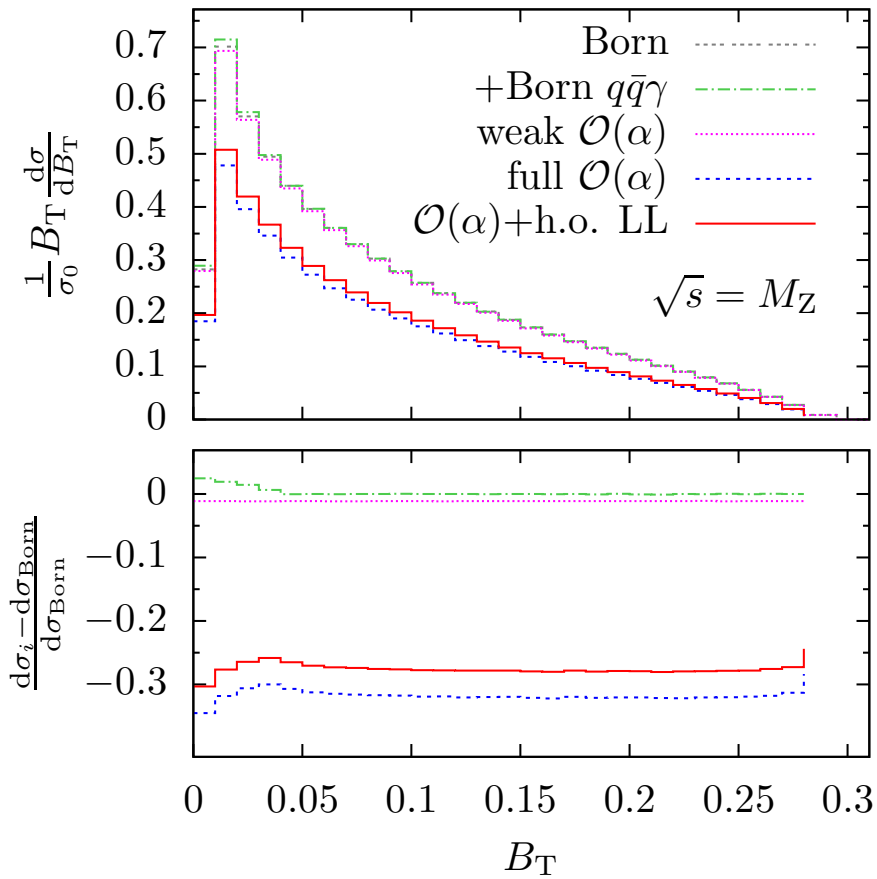
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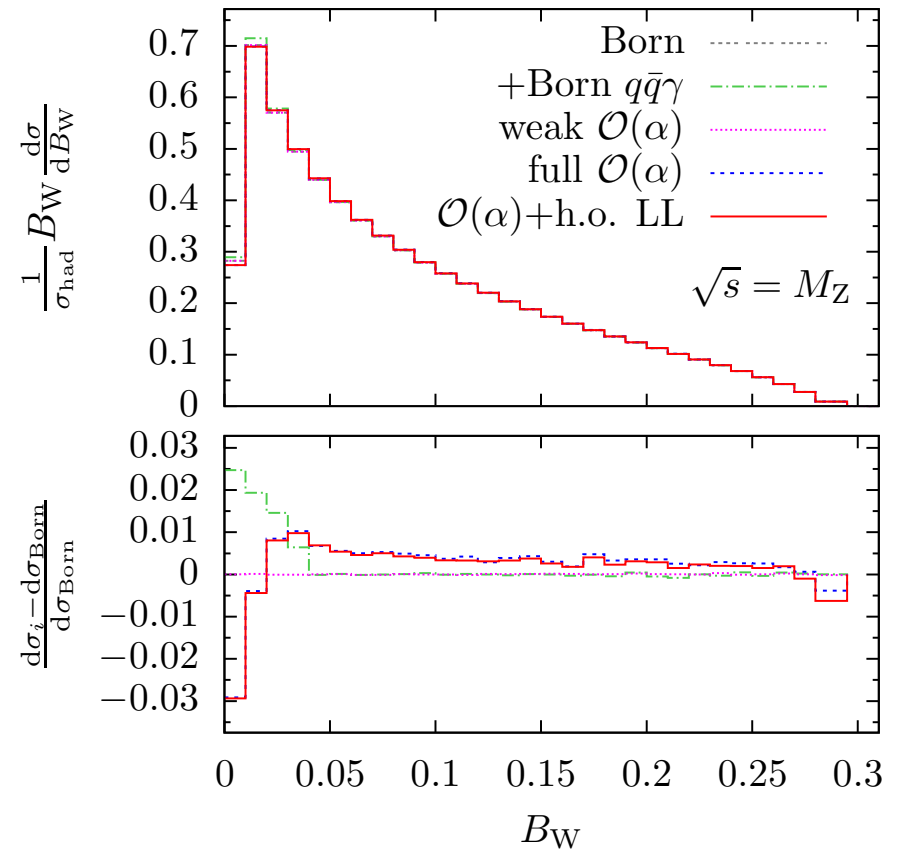
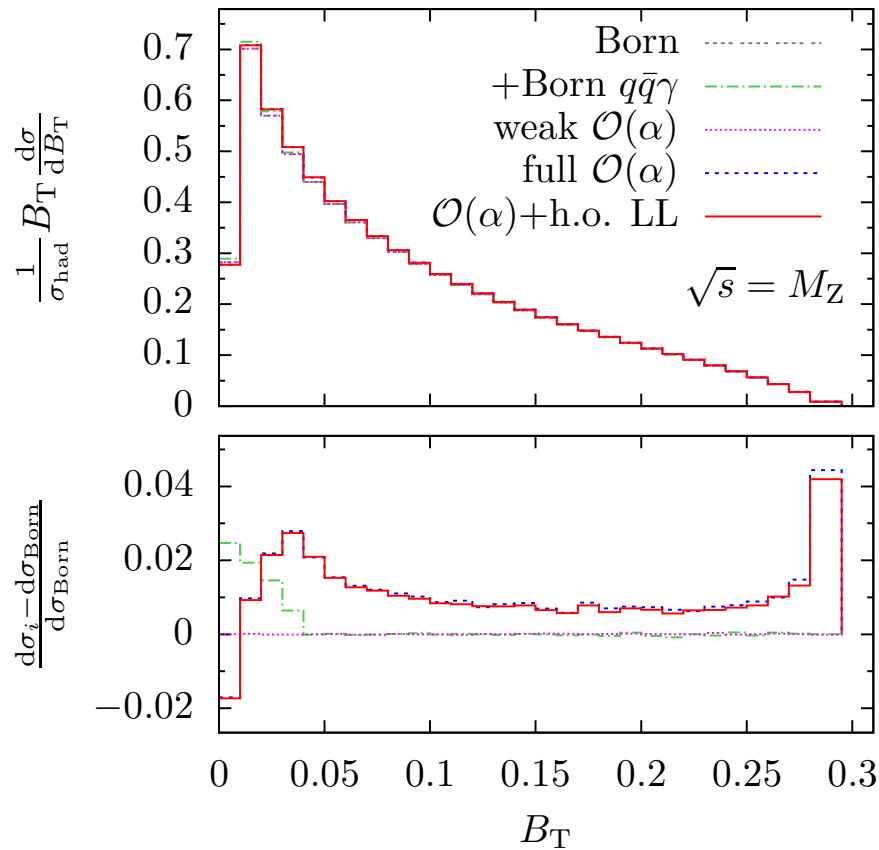


Jet broadenings — yet another example



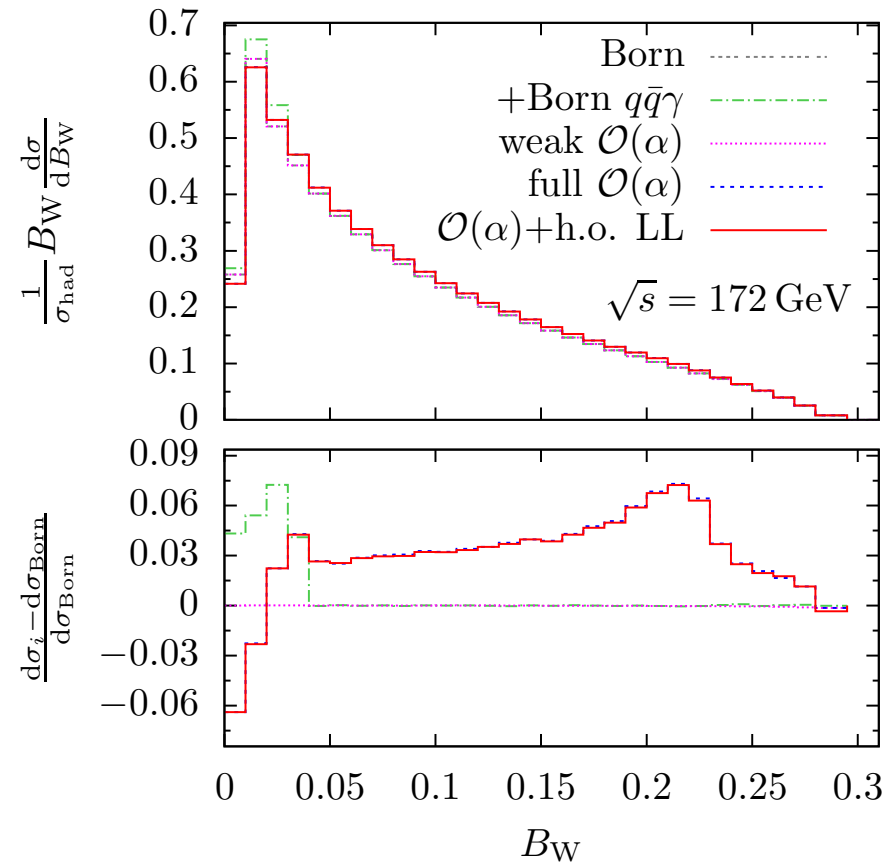
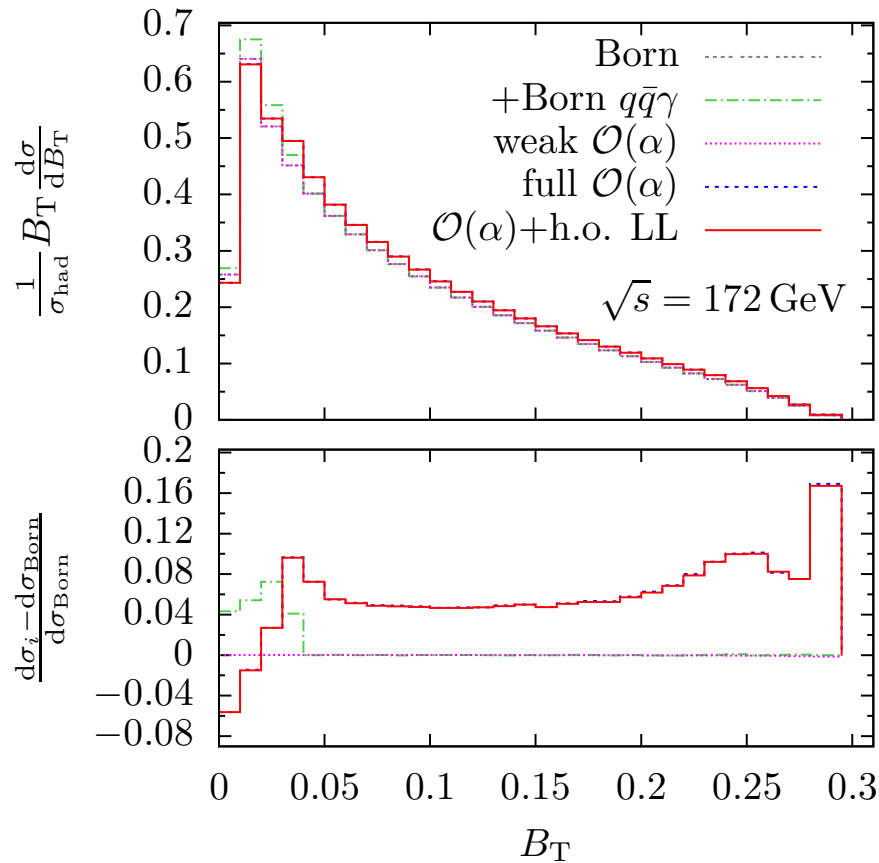
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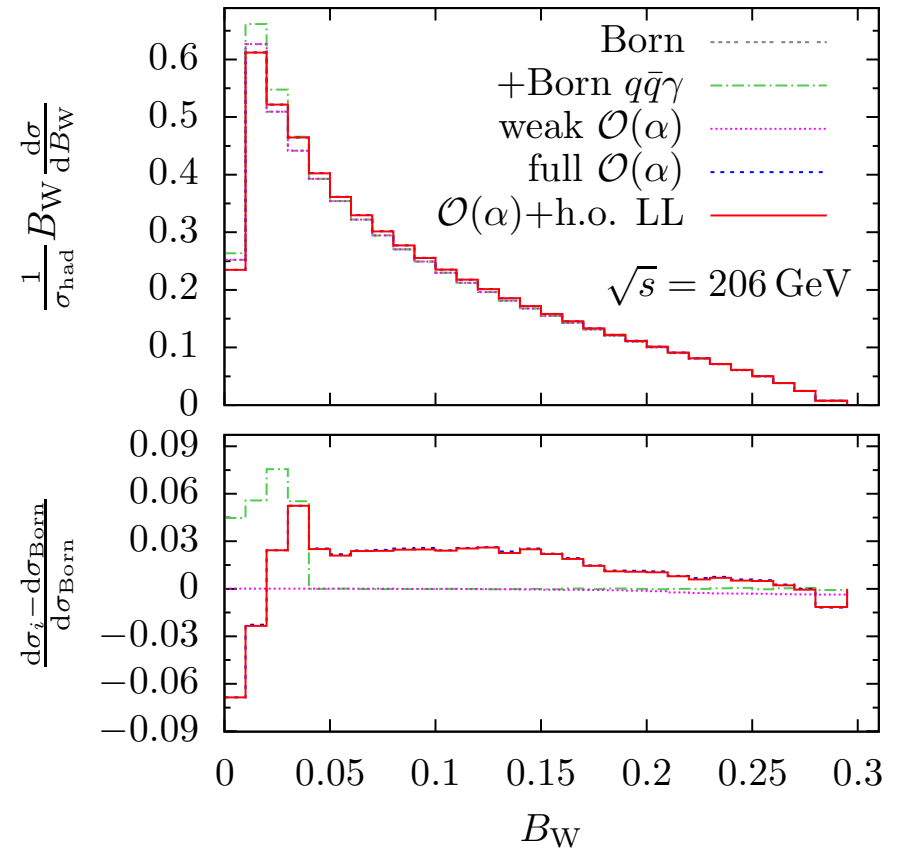
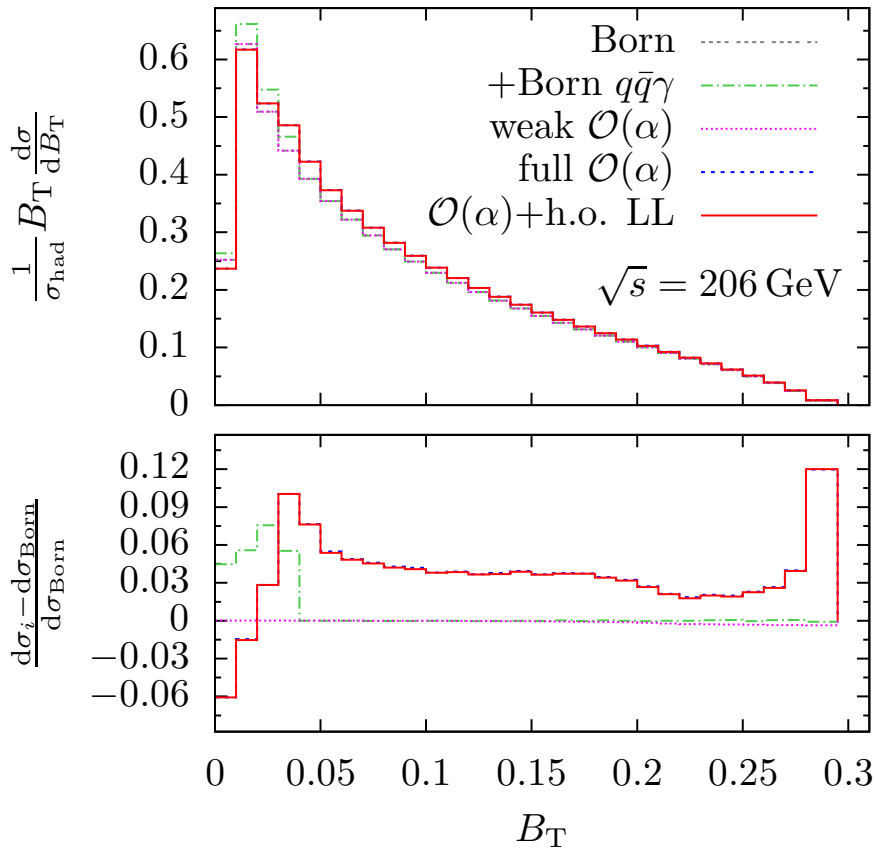
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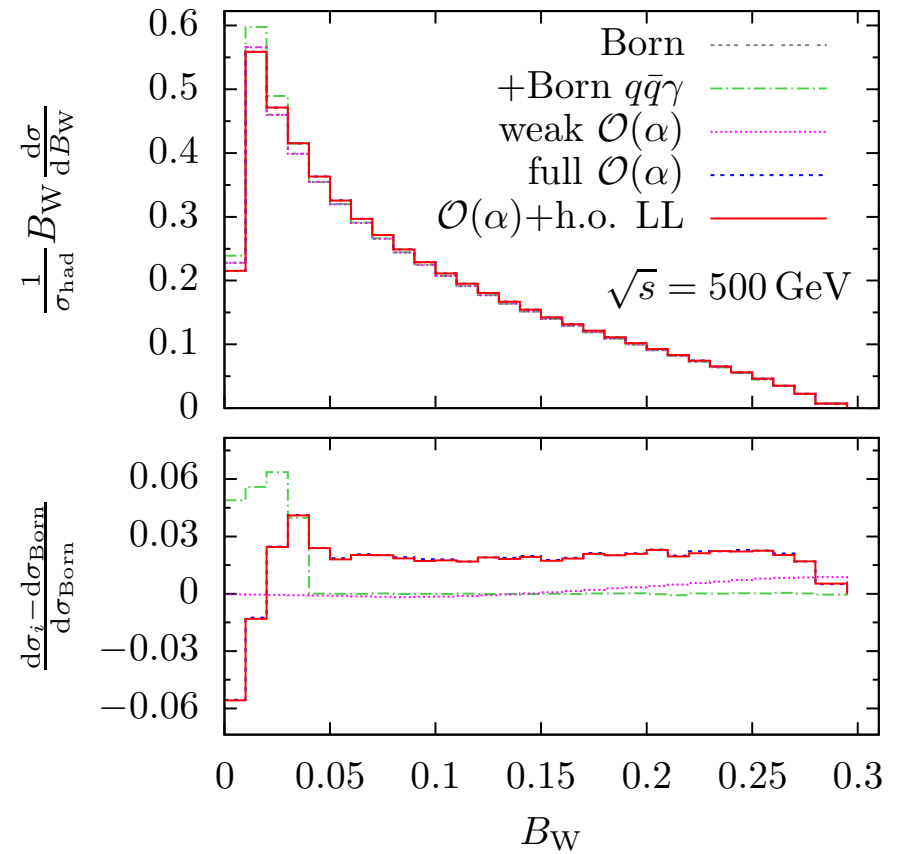
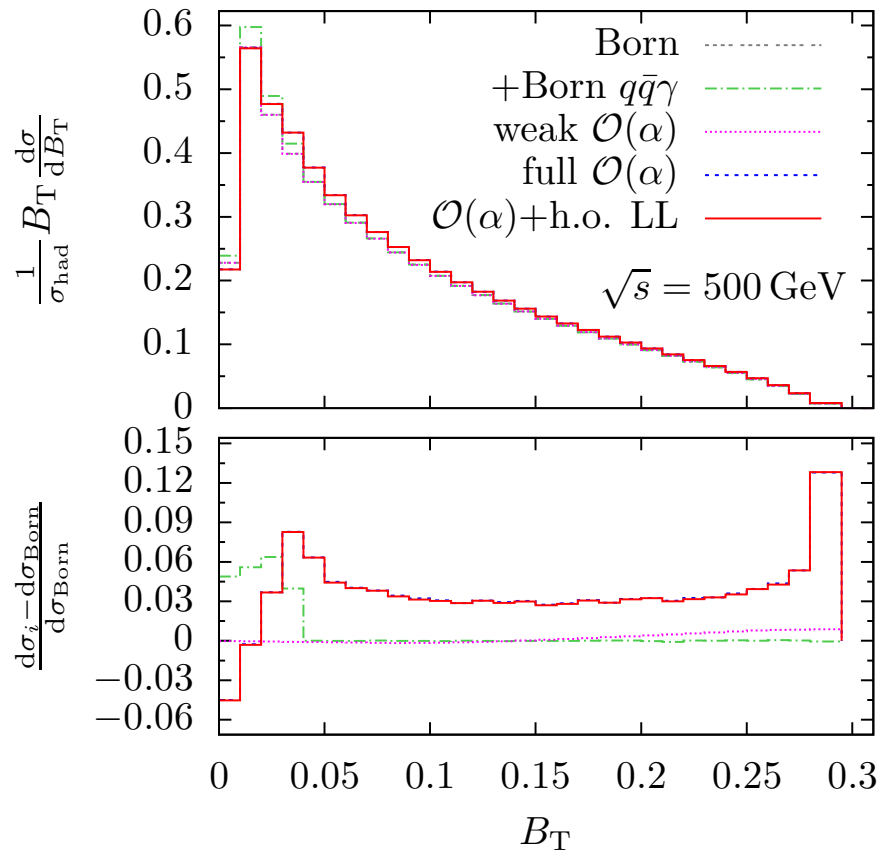
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5 Conclusions

Hadronic event shapes at e^+e^- colliders

- allow for precision measurements of α_s
- contribute to world average for $\alpha_s(M_Z)$

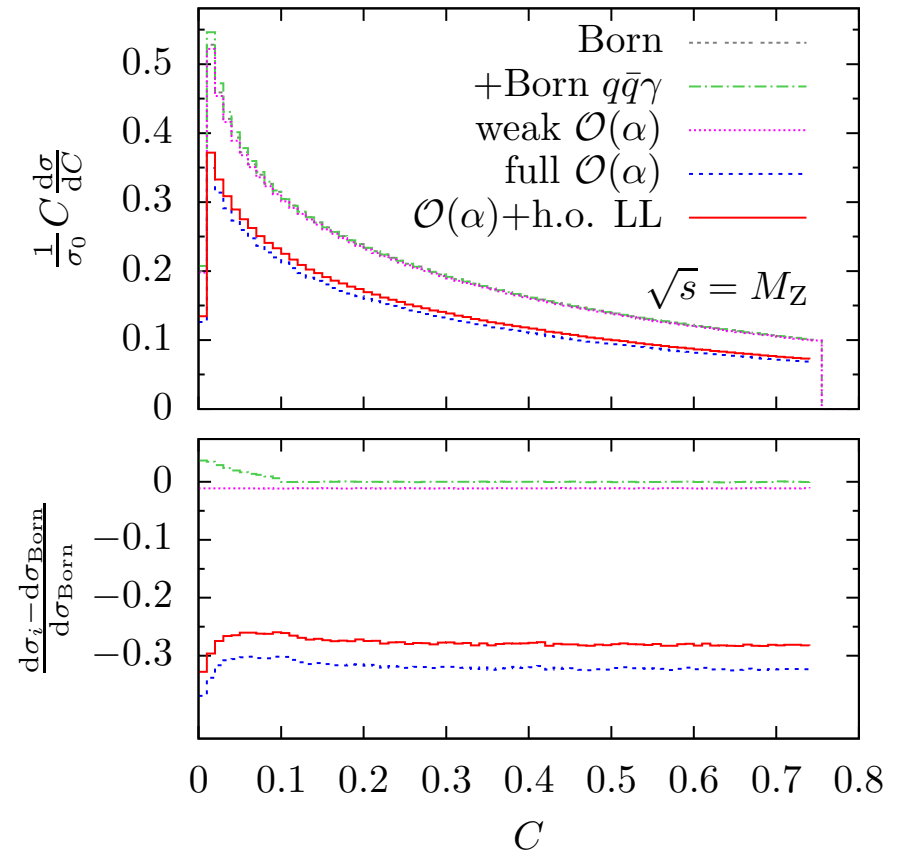
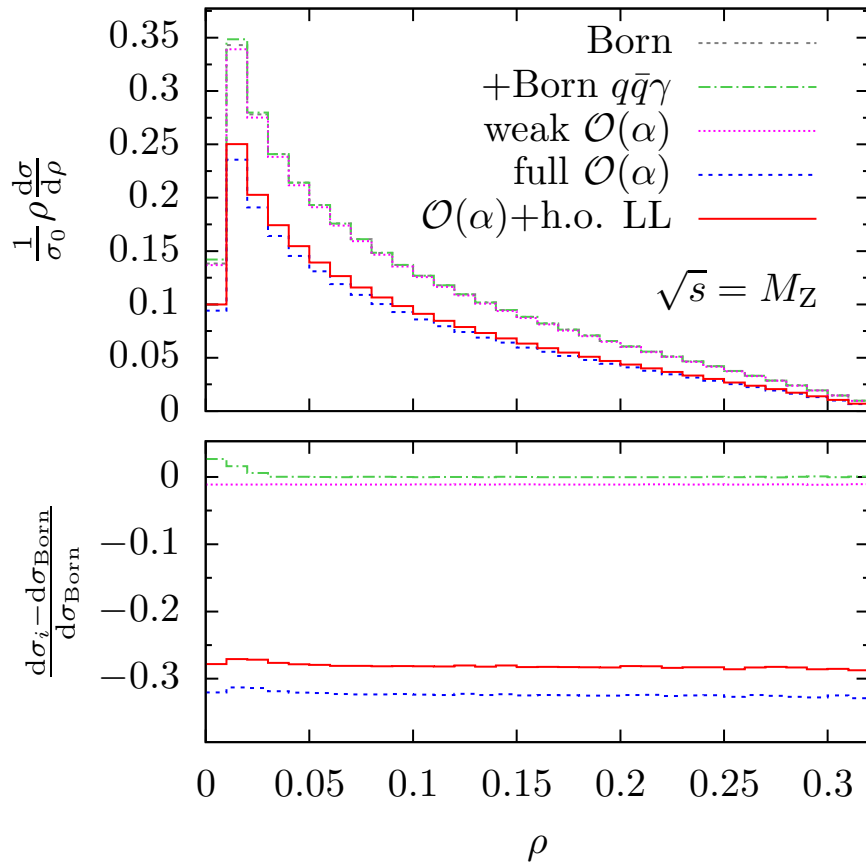
Predictions

- NNLO QCD contributions recently finished and matched to resummations / non-pert. effects
↪ reduction of theoretical error in recent α_s fit
 - **NLO EW corrections now also available**
 - ◇ largest EW corrections due to ISR, but reduction to ‰ effects by normalization to σ_{had}
 - ◇ genuine weak effects negligible for LEP energies, at ‰ level for 500 GeV ILC
 - ◇ $q\bar{q}\gamma$ final states separated from 3-jet events via photon fragmentation function
↪ ‰ effects near 2-jet endpoints of event shapes
- ⇒ NLO EW corrections of minor relevance for JADE/LEP data, but relevant at ILC energies

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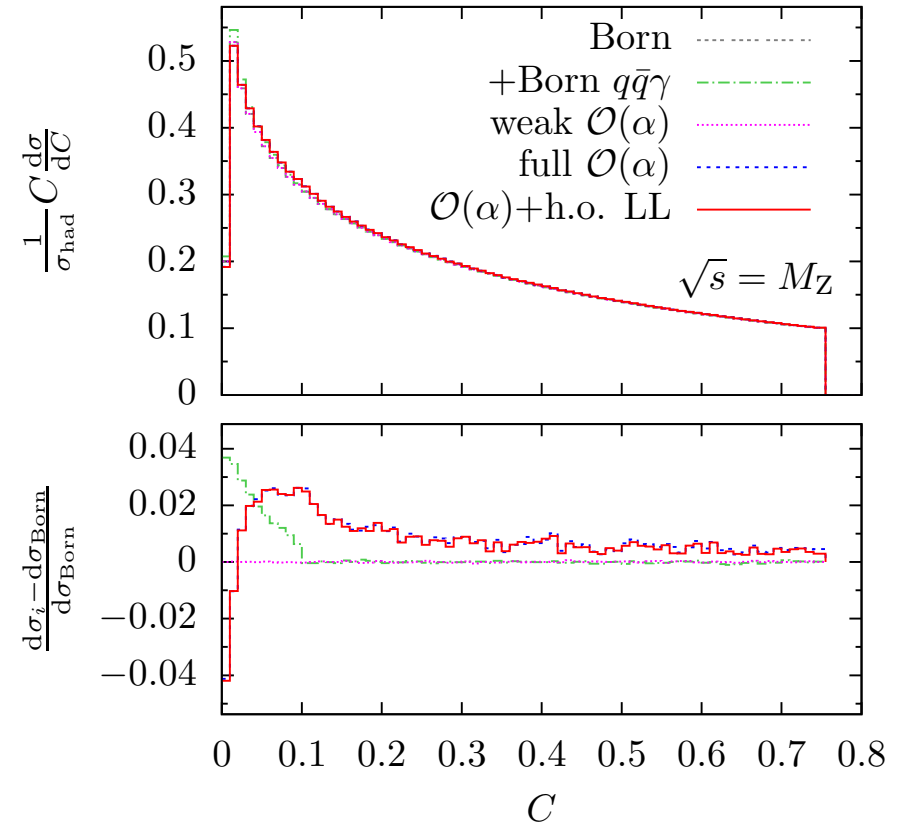
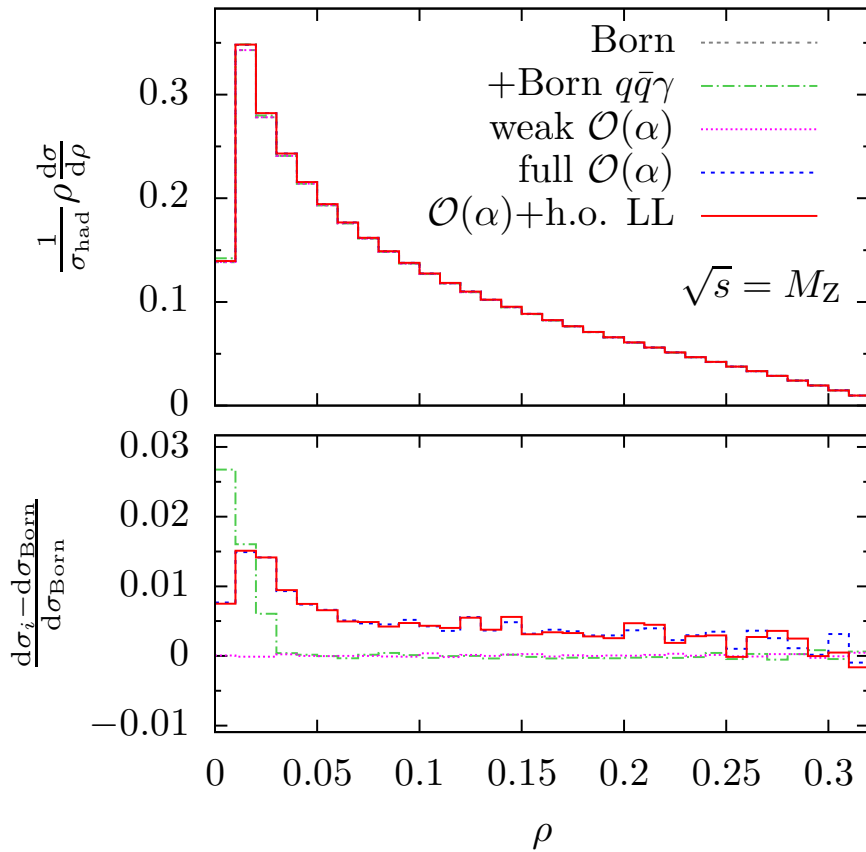


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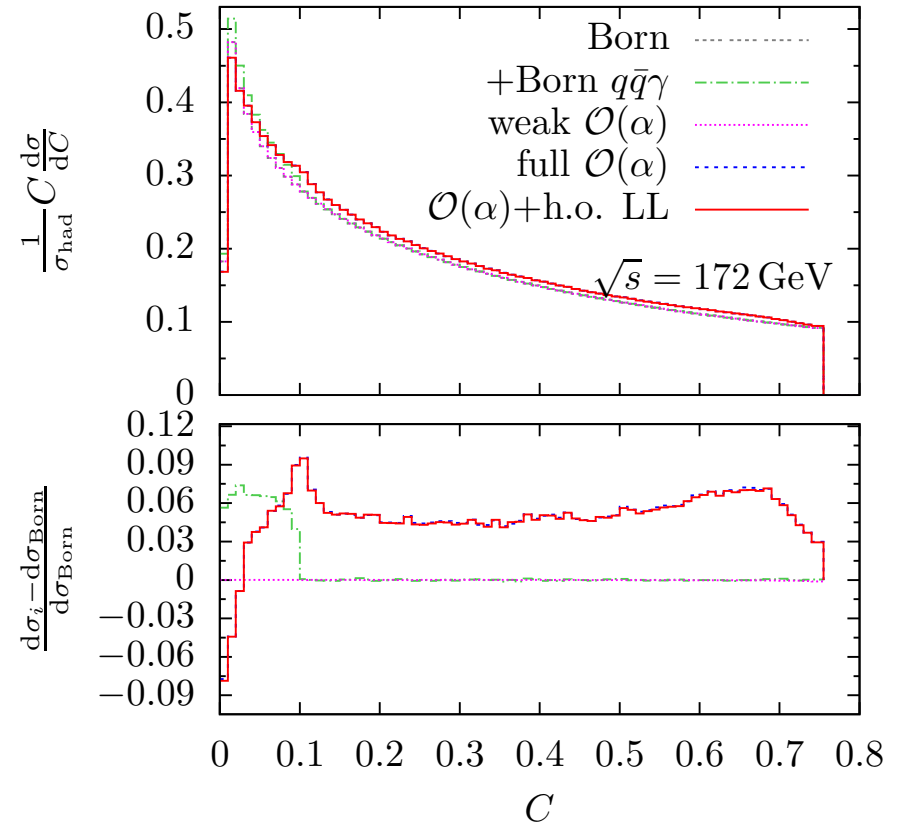
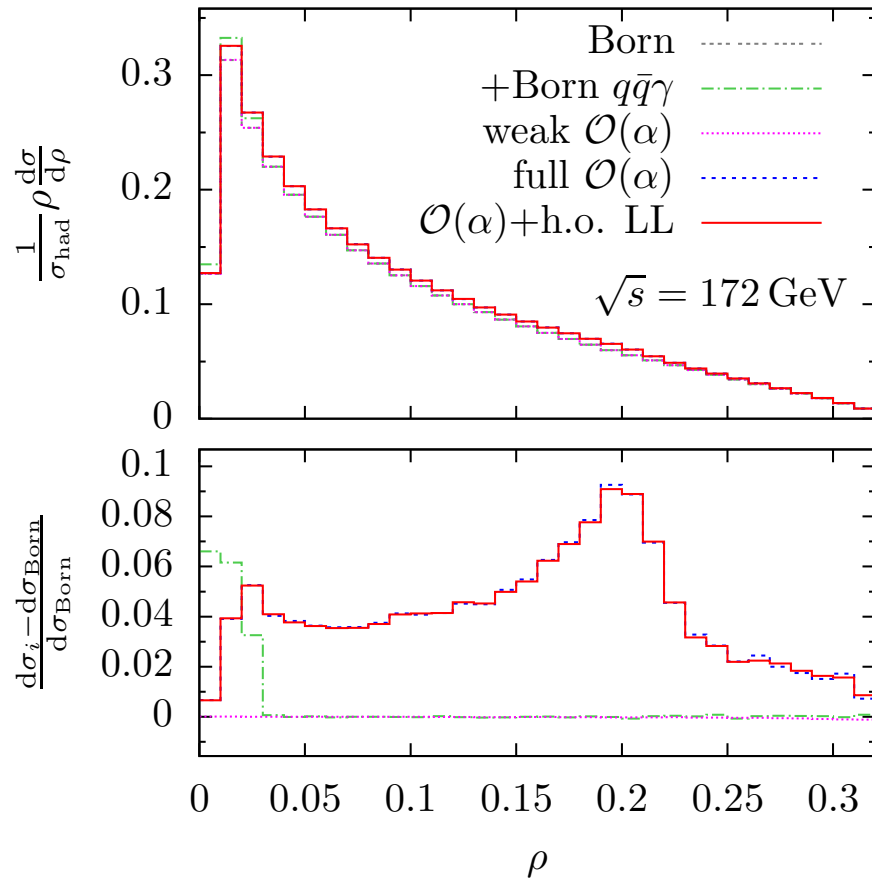
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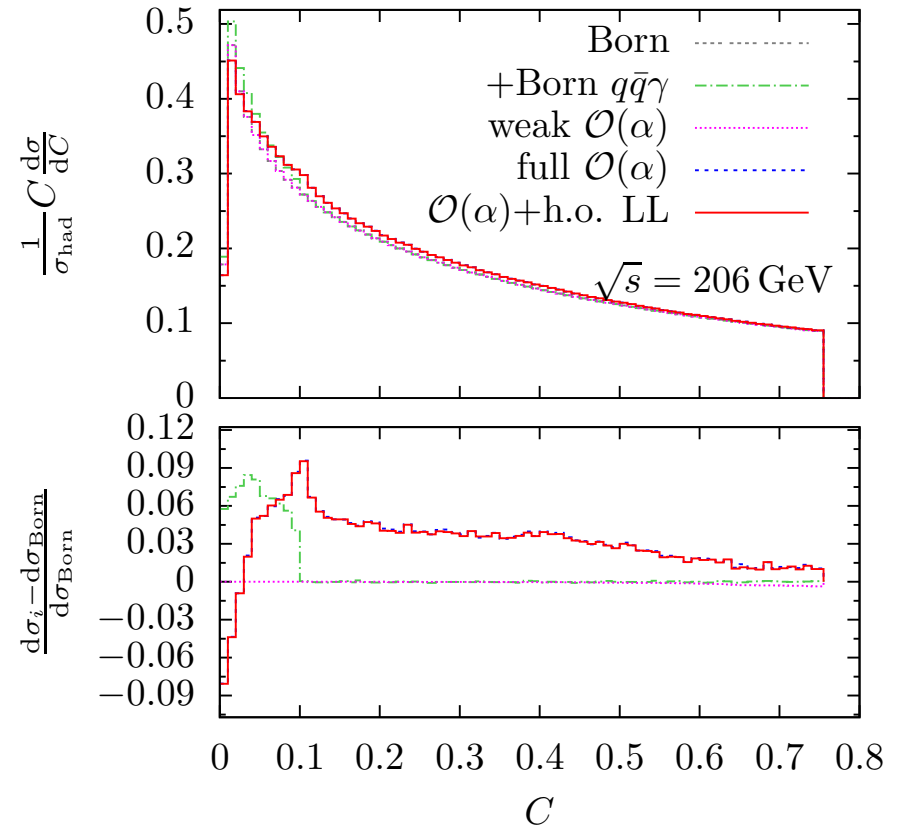
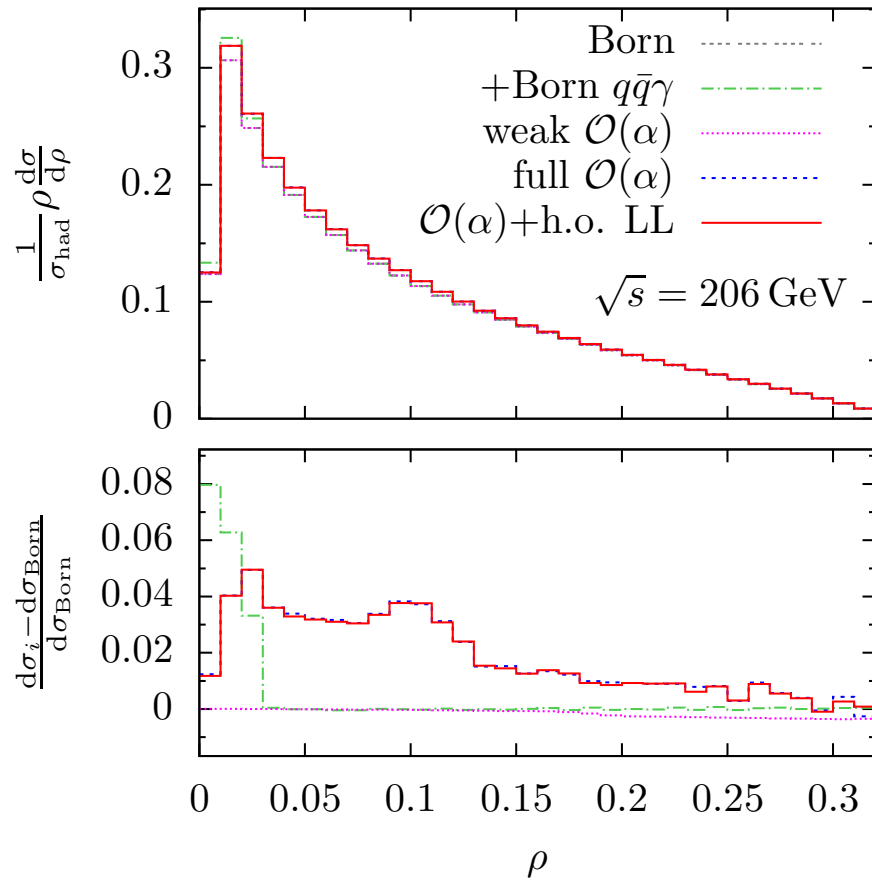
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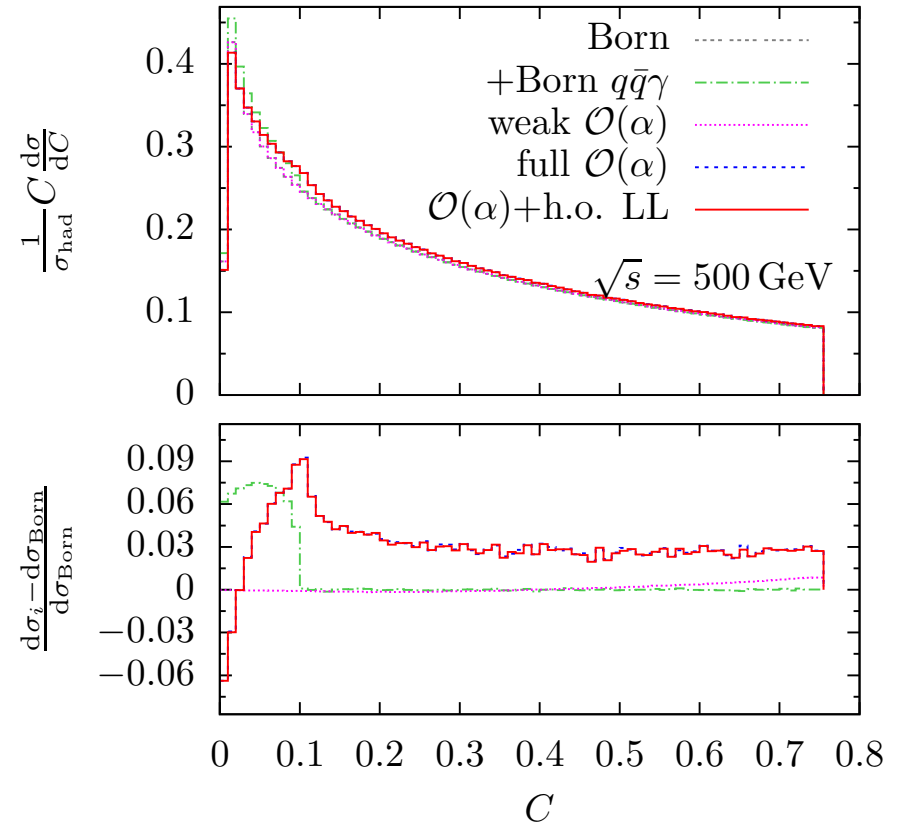
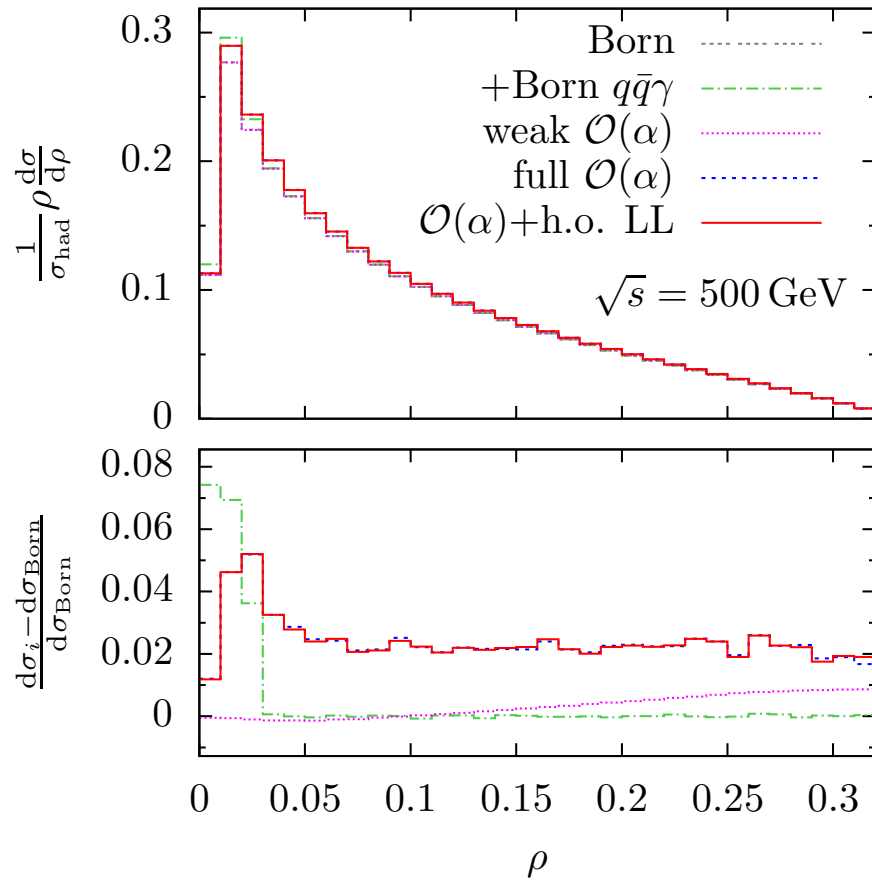
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