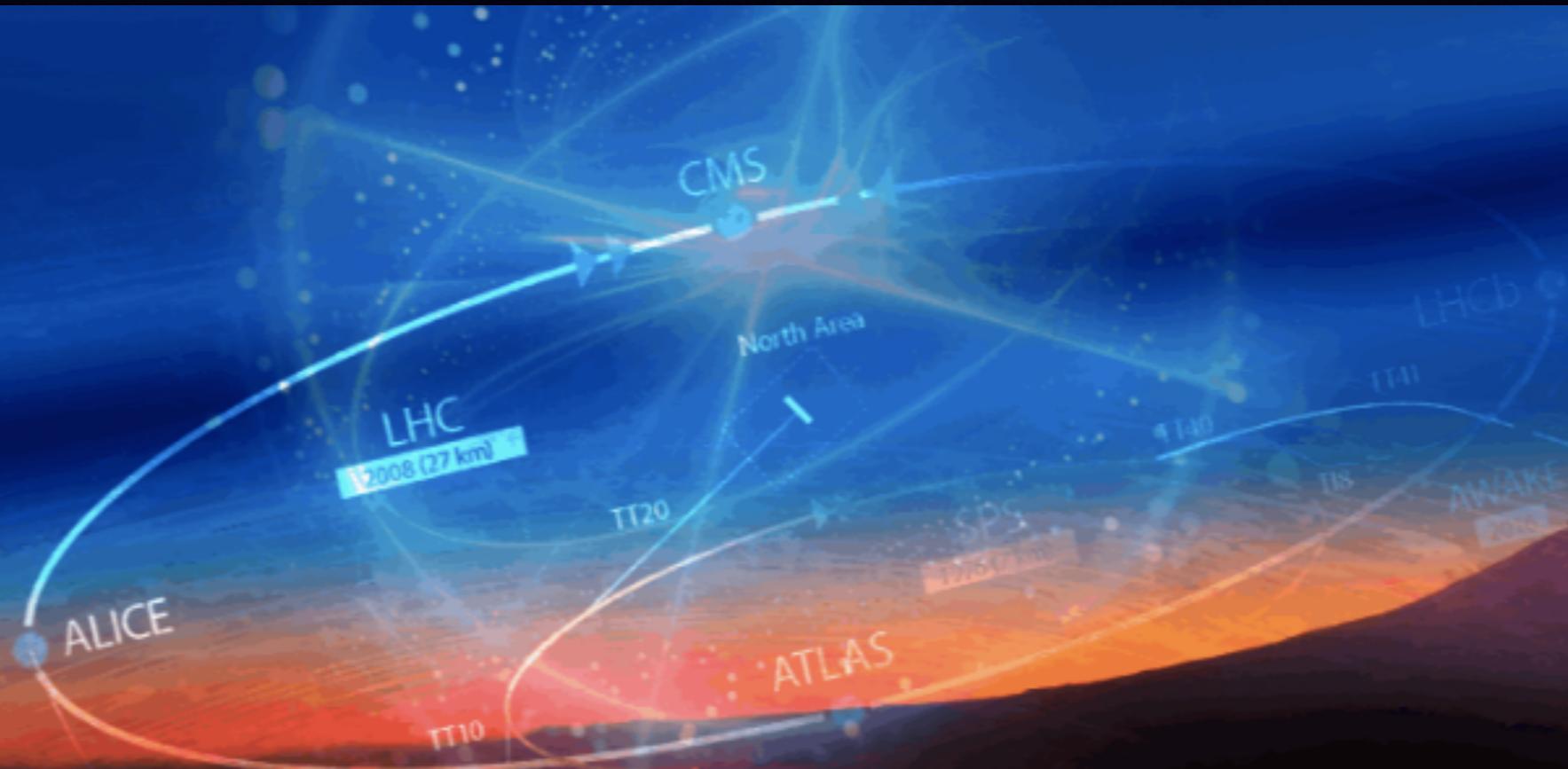


# Overview of Precision QCD Calculations for Jet Processes

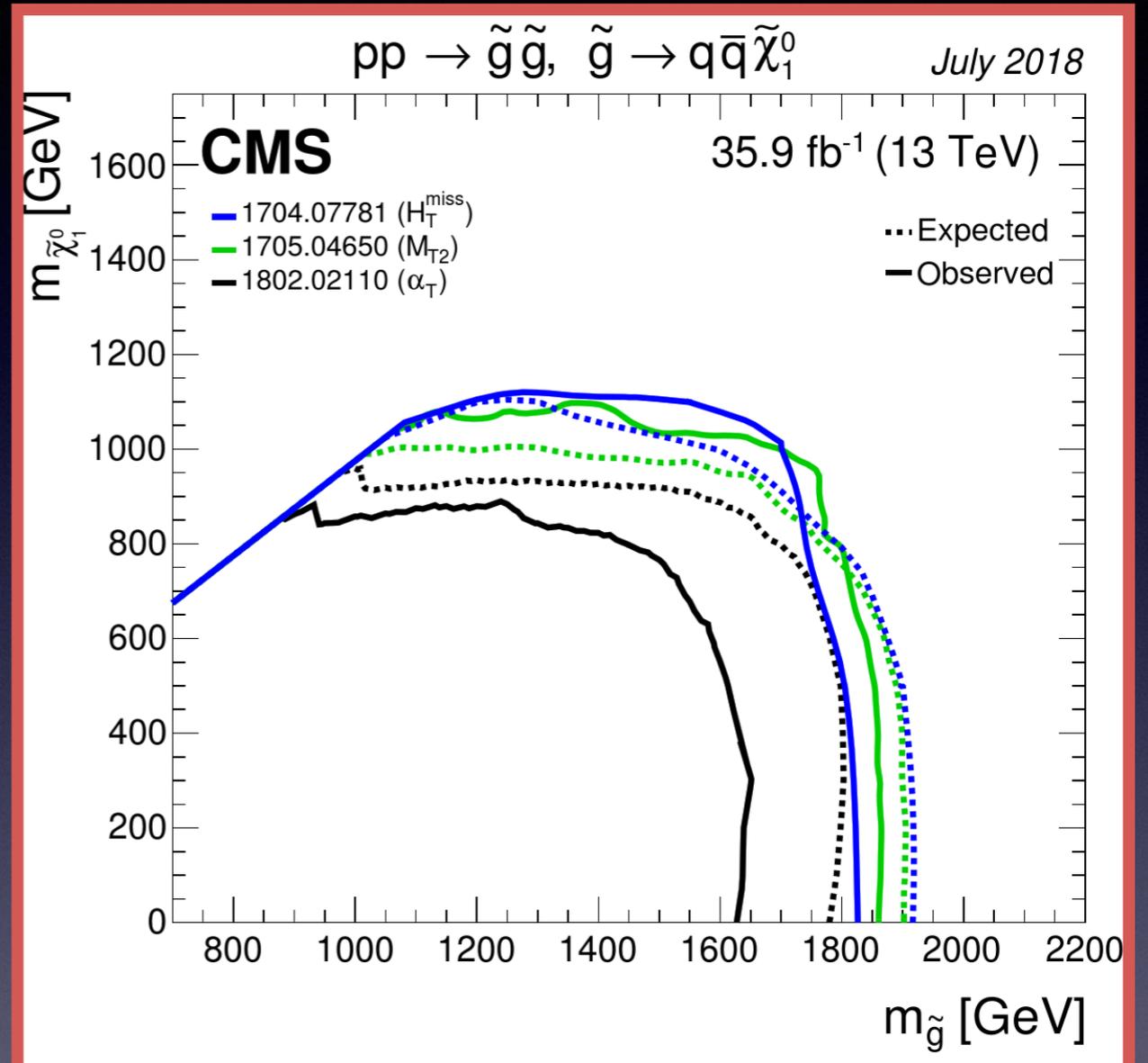
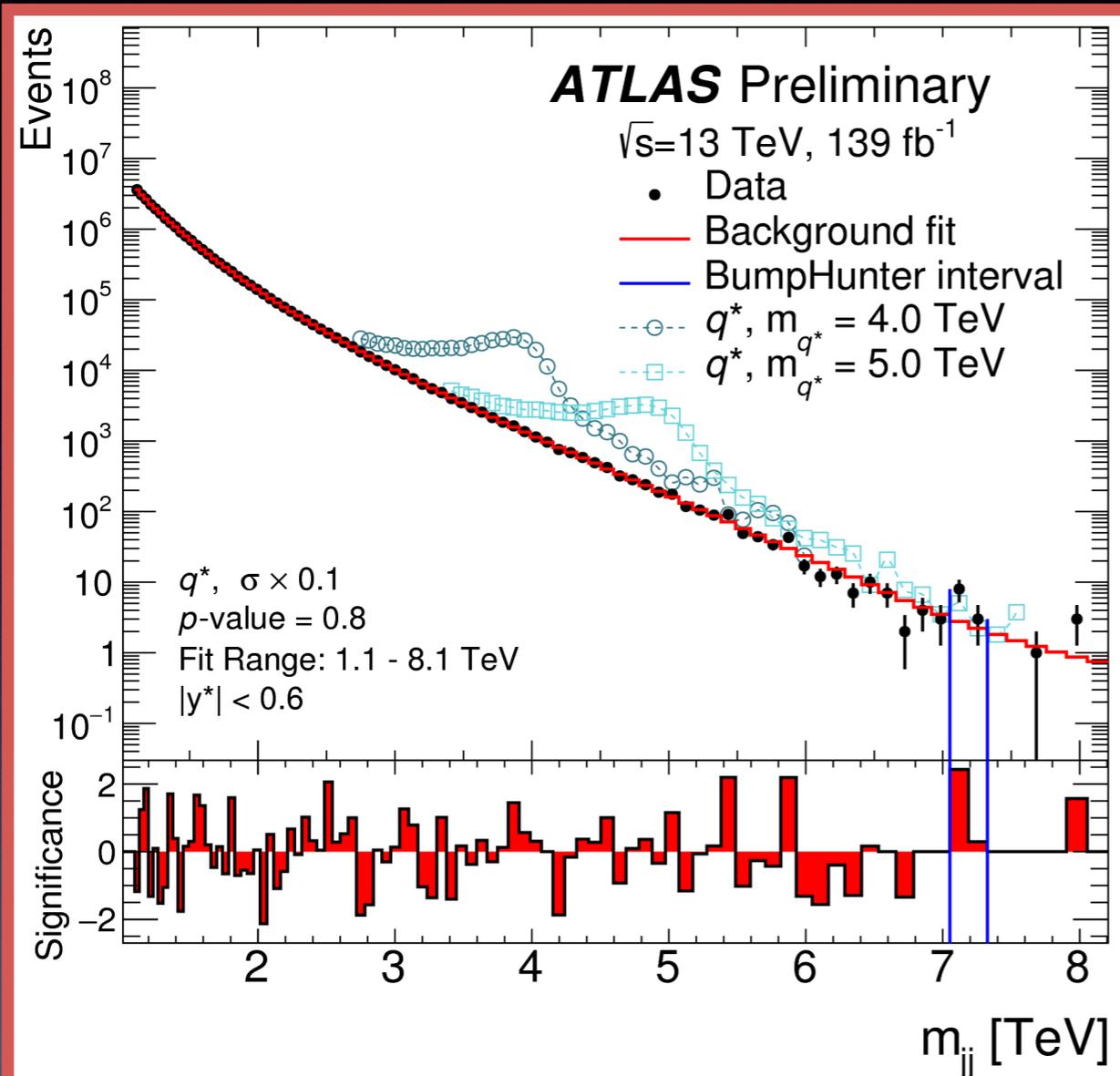


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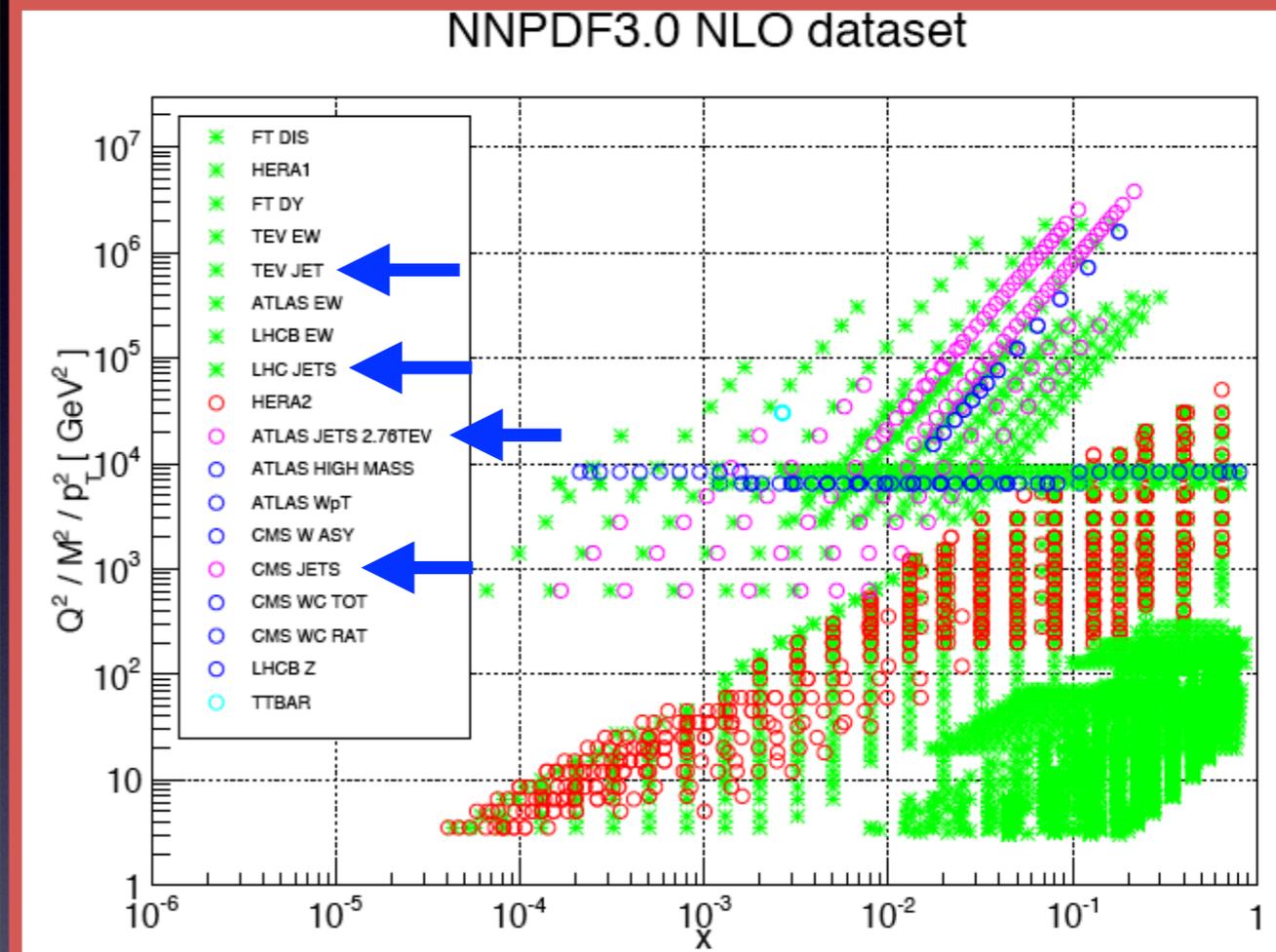
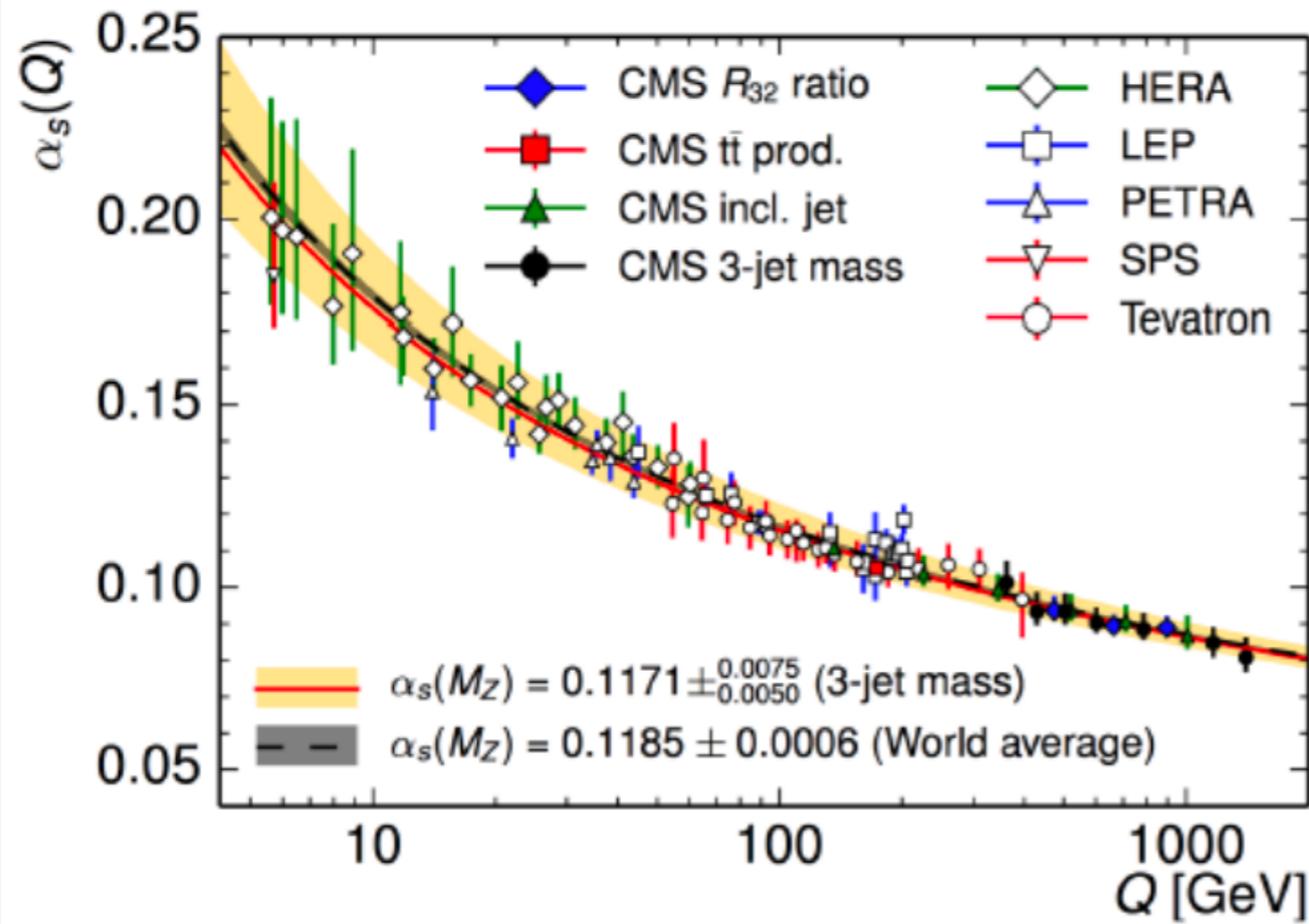
# Why are jets interesting?



Di-jet resonance searches probe the highest accessible energy scales at the LHC

Jets are a hallmark of many BSM signatures, including much of SUSY parameter space

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Through jets we access fundamental parameters and predictions of QCD such as  $\alpha_s(M_Z)$  and  $\alpha_s$  running

Jets form a critical input to current PDF fits

# How do we study jets?

- Parton-shower Monte Carlo simulations (HERWIG, PYTHIA, SHERPA,...)
- Jet substructure (Grooming, Trimming, Soft-Drop,...)
- **Perturbative QCD**

*Jets amenable to first-principle, systematically improvable QCD calculations!*

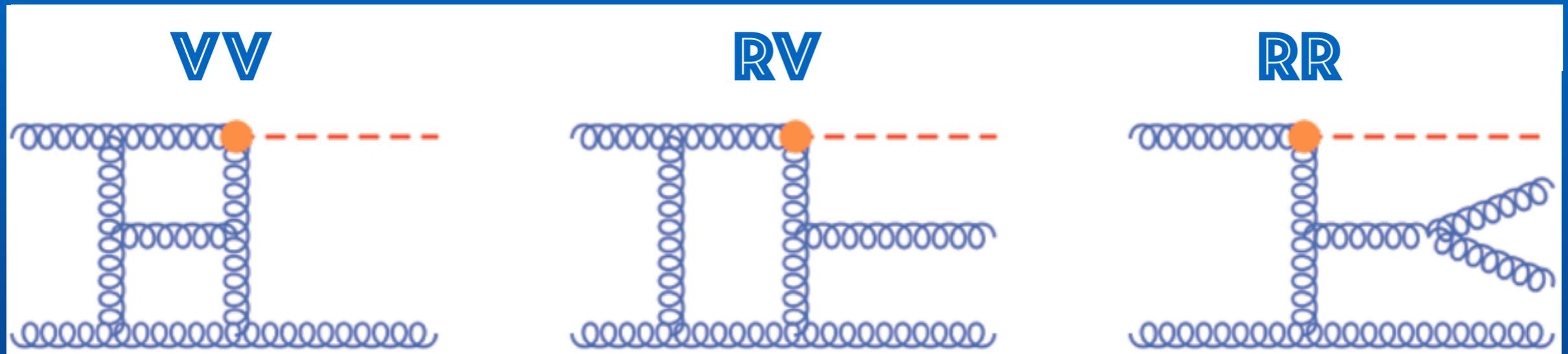
$$\hat{\sigma} = \sigma^{\text{Born}} \left( 1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \sigma^{(1)} + \left( \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \right)^2 \sigma^{(2)} + \left( \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \right)^3 \sigma^{(3)} + \dots \right)$$

LO predictions      NLO corrections      NNLO corrections      NNNLO corrections

**Current frontier:** next-to-next-to leading order (NNLO) in  $\alpha_s$

# Ingredients for NNLO calculations

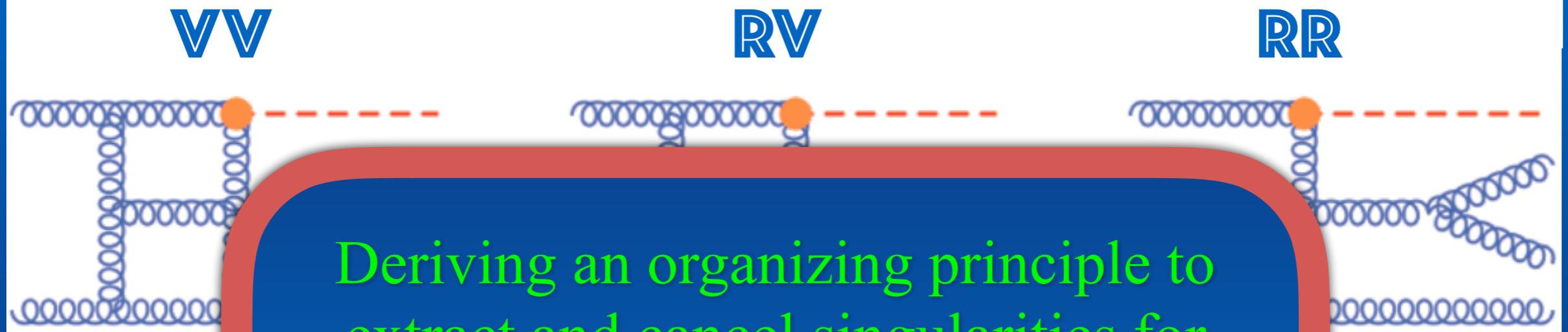
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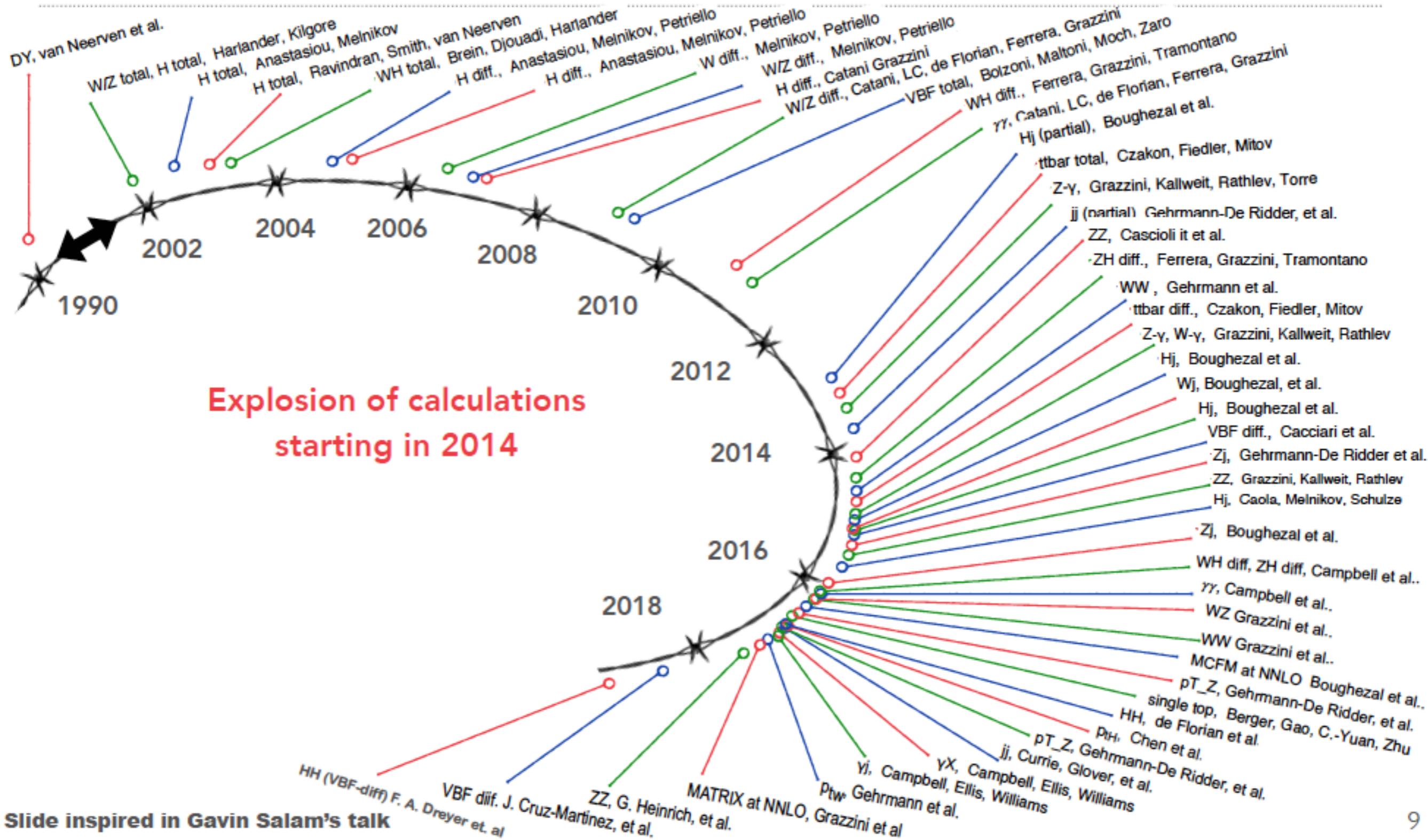
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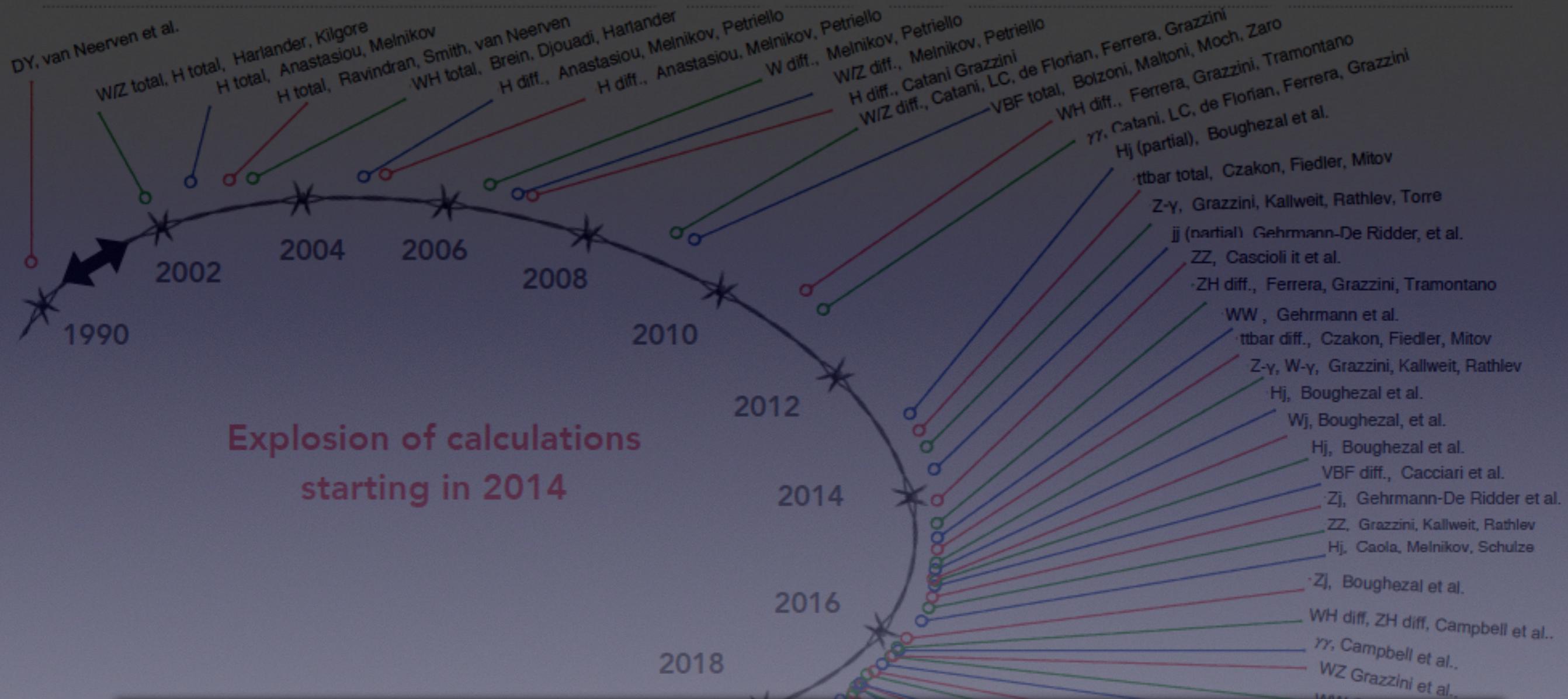
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# NNLO HADRON-COLLIDER CALCULATIONS VS. TIME



Slide inspired in Gavin Salam's talk

# NNLO HADRON-COLLIDER CALCULATIONS VS. TIME



**This explosion of new NNLO results was made possible thanks to several ideas!**

# Cancellation of IR divergences @ NNLO

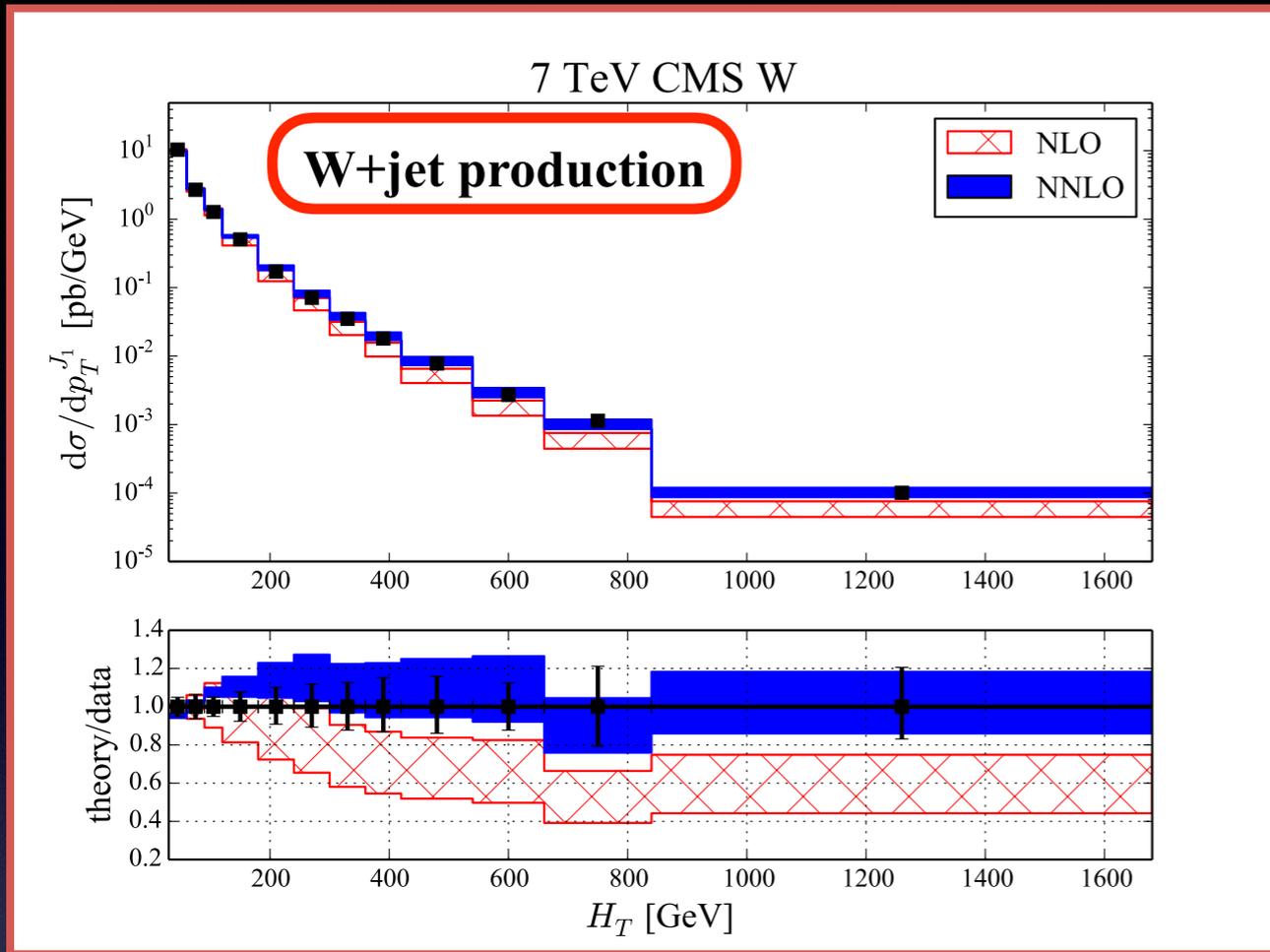
- **Effective field theory methods:**

- ❖ qT subtraction [Catani, Grazzini](#); for processes without jets
- ❖ N-jettiness subtraction [RB, Focke, Liu, Petriello](#); [Gaunt, Stahlhofen, Tackmann, Walsh](#); applicable for all processes including jet production

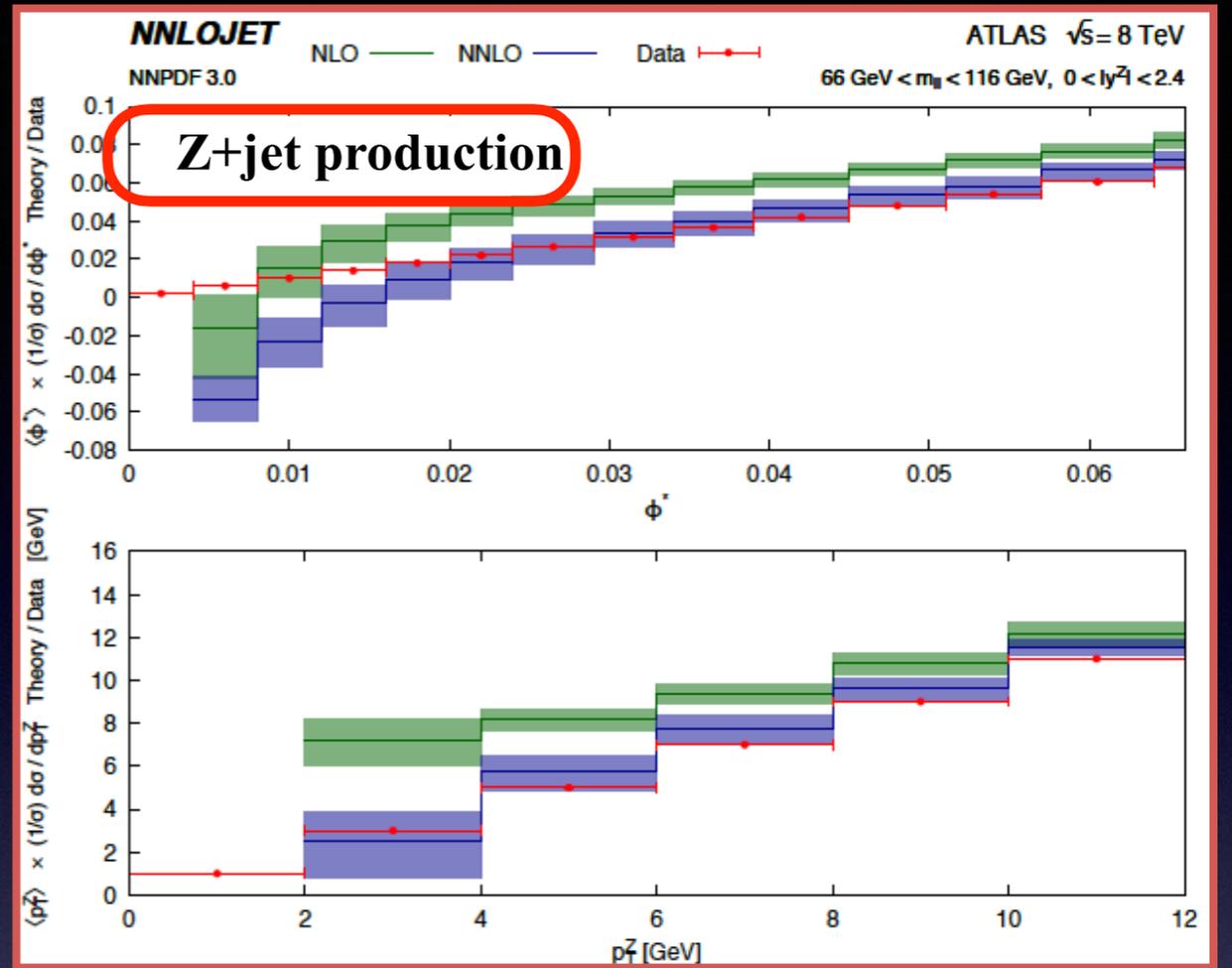
- **Subtraction methods:**

- ❖ Sector decomposition [Anastasiou, Melnikov, Petriello](#); [Binoth, Heinrich](#)
- ❖ Antenna subtraction [Kosower](#); [Gehrmann, Gehrmann De Ridder, Glover](#)
- ❖ Sector Improved Residue Subtraction [Czakon](#); [RB, Melnikov, Petriello](#); [Czakon, Heymes](#); [Caola, Melnikov, Rontsch](#)
- ❖ Colorful subtraction [Del Duca, Duhr, Kardos, Somogyi, Trocsanyi](#)
- ❖ Projection to Born [Cacciari, Dreyer, Karlberg, Salam, Zanderighi](#)

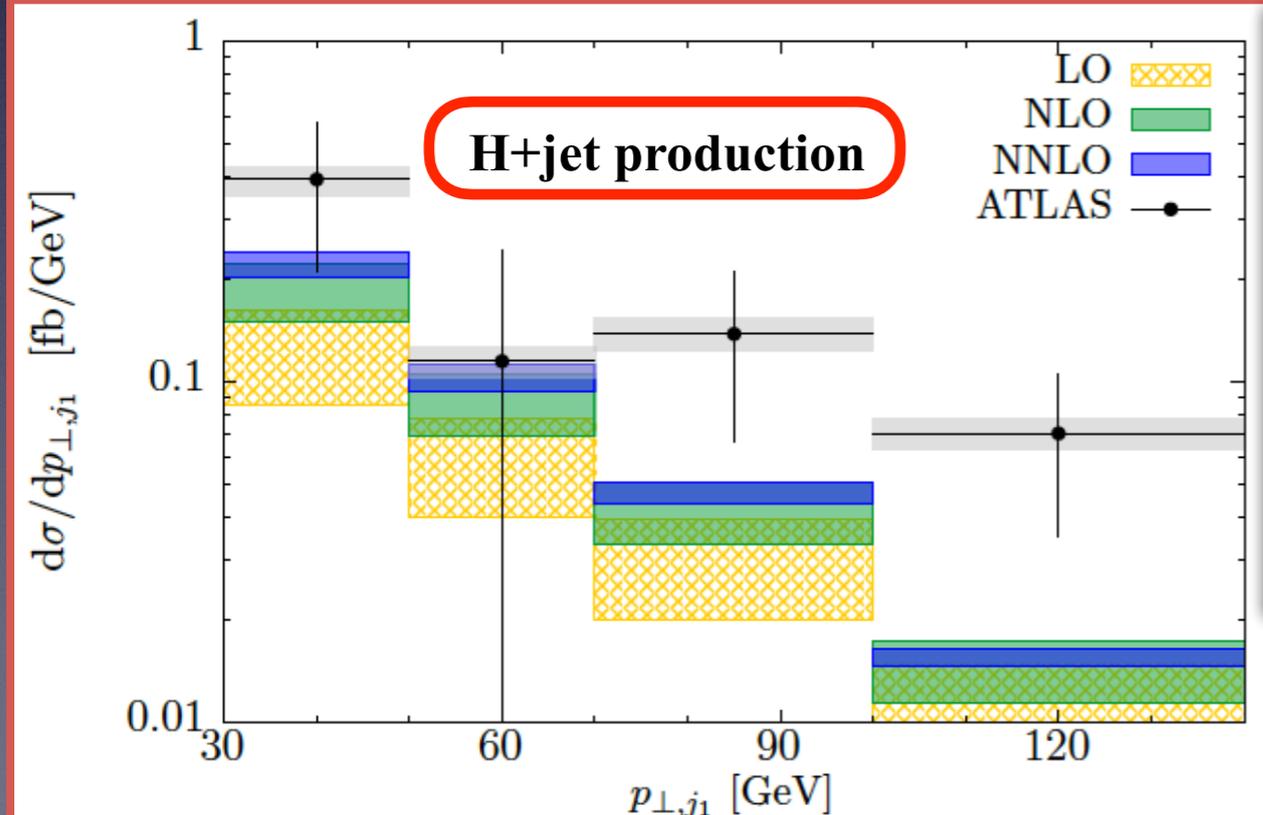
RB, Liu, Petriello, 2016



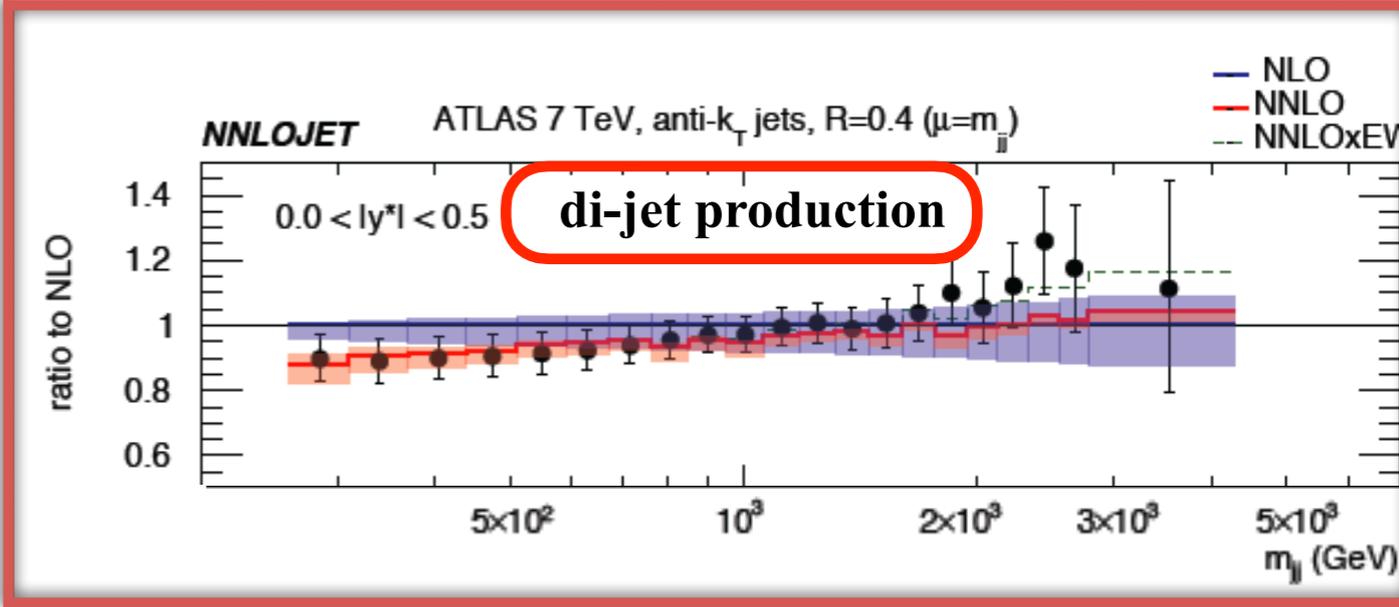
A. Gehrmann, T. Gehrmann, Glover, Huss, Morgan, 2016



Caola, Melnikov, Schulze, 2015



Currie, A. Gehrmann, T. Gehrmann, Glover, Huss, Pires, 2017



... as well as single-inclusive jet, di-jet in diffractive DIS, photon+jet production...

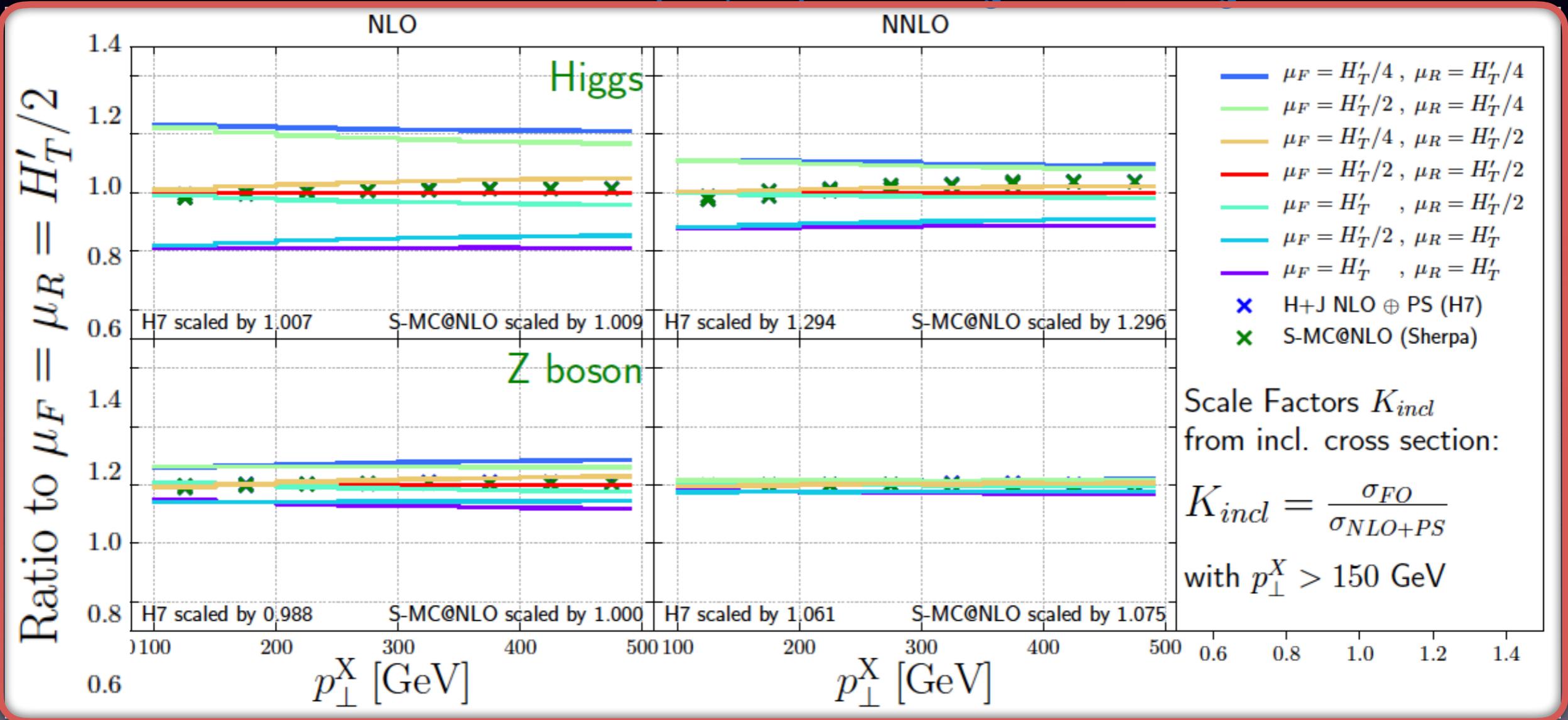
# **Highlights of NNLO Jet Phenomenology**

**(that fit in the allocated talk time!)**

# Comparison of NNLO Z+j & H+j results with NLO+parton shower

NNLOJET

X = (H, Z) in H+j and Z+j



Bellm et al, arXiv:1903.12563

$$\mu_0 = \frac{H_{T,j}}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \sqrt{m_X^2 + p_{T,X}^2} + \sum_{\text{jets}} p_{T,j} \right)$$

Scale variation shown for the fixed order results only

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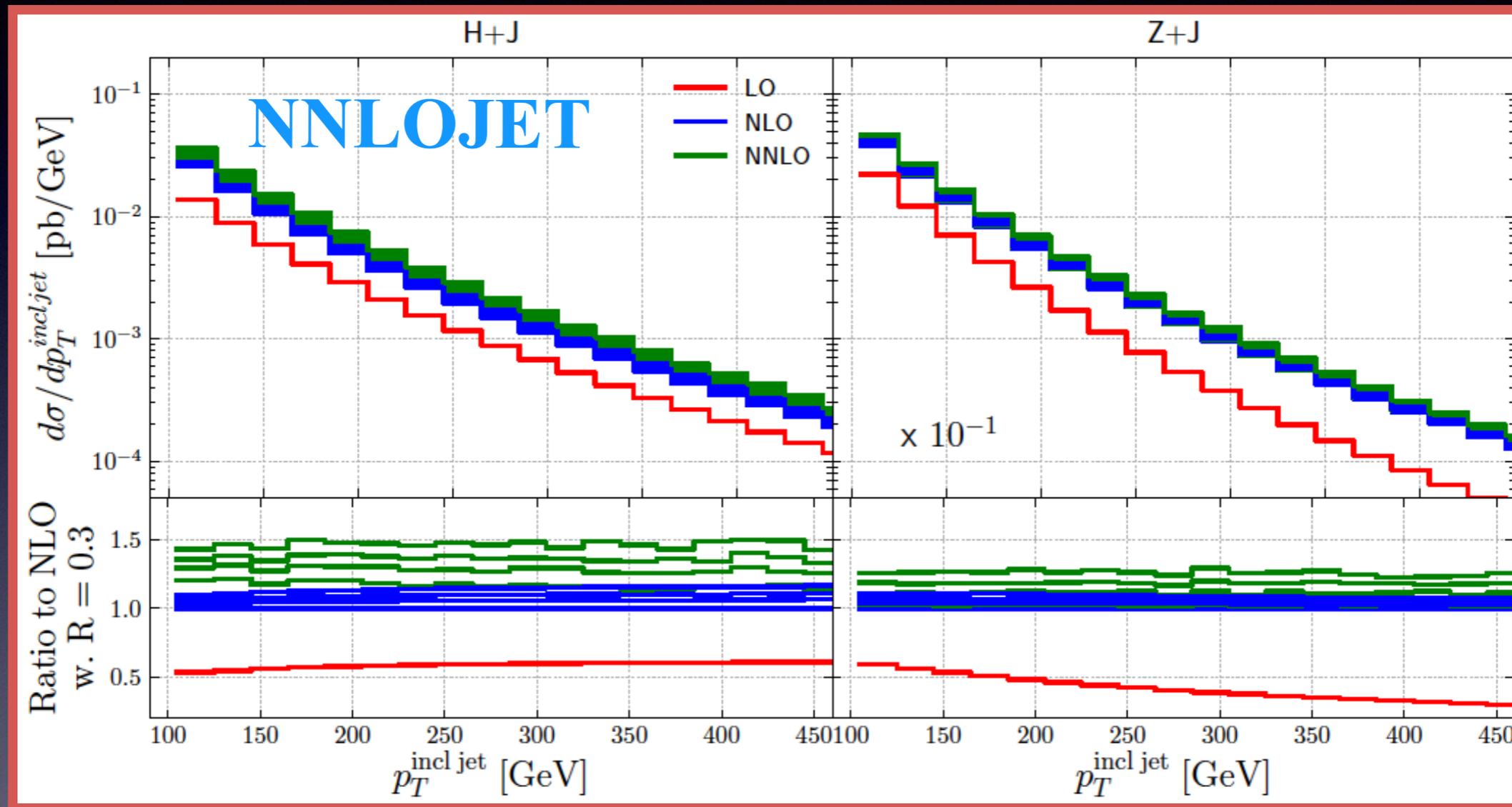
- Visible reduction in scale dependence as we move from NLO to NNLO
- Parton shower scaled by  $K_{\text{incl}}$  for  $p_{T(H,Z)} > 150$  GeV to account for missing corrections when comparing to FO
- Very good agreement between the scaled NLO parton shower results of Sherpa and Herwig with the NNLO FO result over the entire studied  $p_T$  range.
- Can reliably use these generators to predict heavy boson  $p_T$  spectra in boosted Higgs- and Z-boson analyses.

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# Jet Radius dependence in the prediction

Study of the spread of the cross section induced by  $R = \{0.3, 0.5, 0.7, 1.0\}$

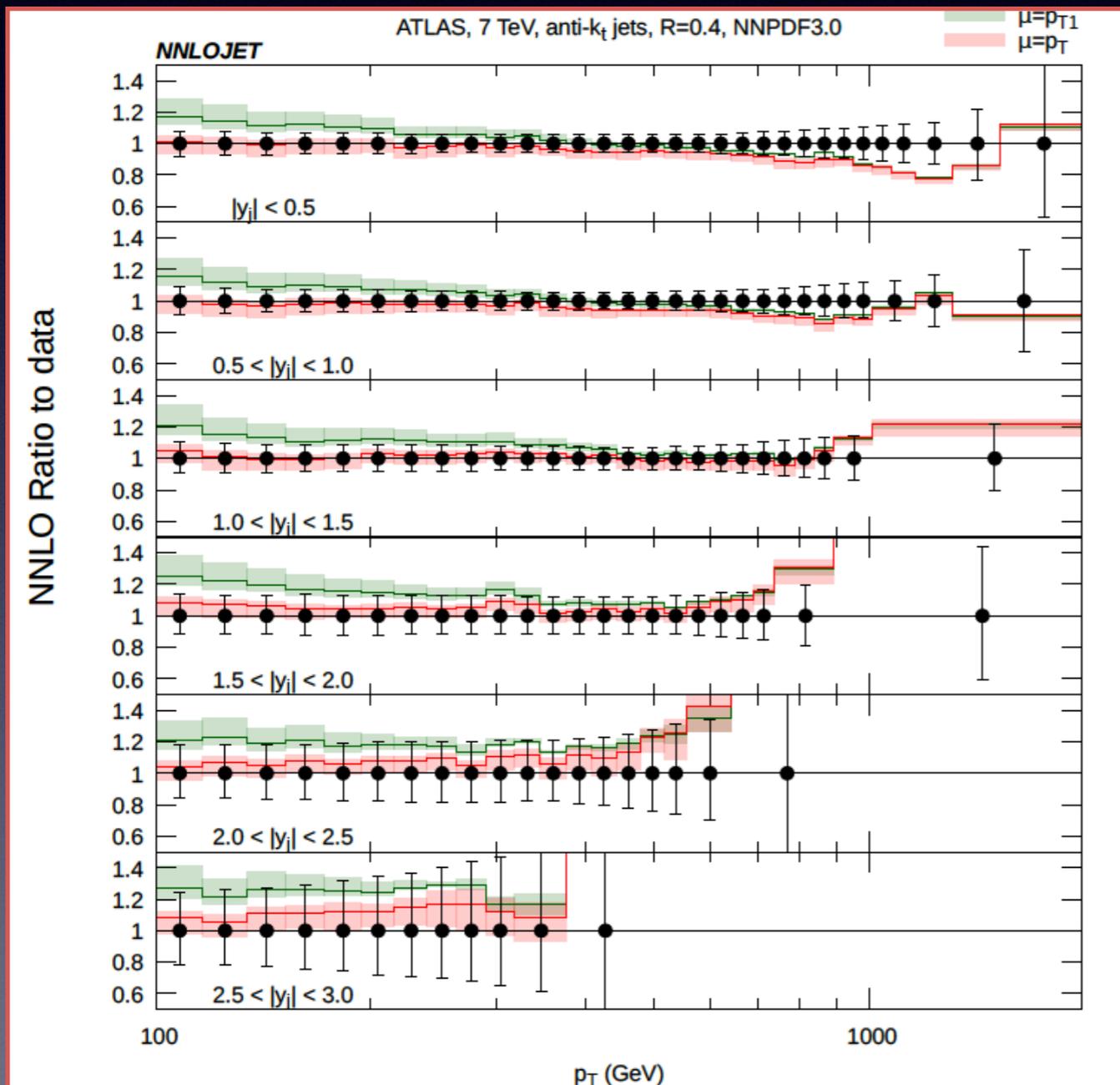


- Larger R-dependence for  $H+\geq 1\text{jet}$  at NNLO than at NLO
- Relatively smaller R-dependence for  $Z+\geq 1\text{jet}$  at NNLO

**Need to understand the R-dependence better**

# Single-inclusive jet production and the scale choice

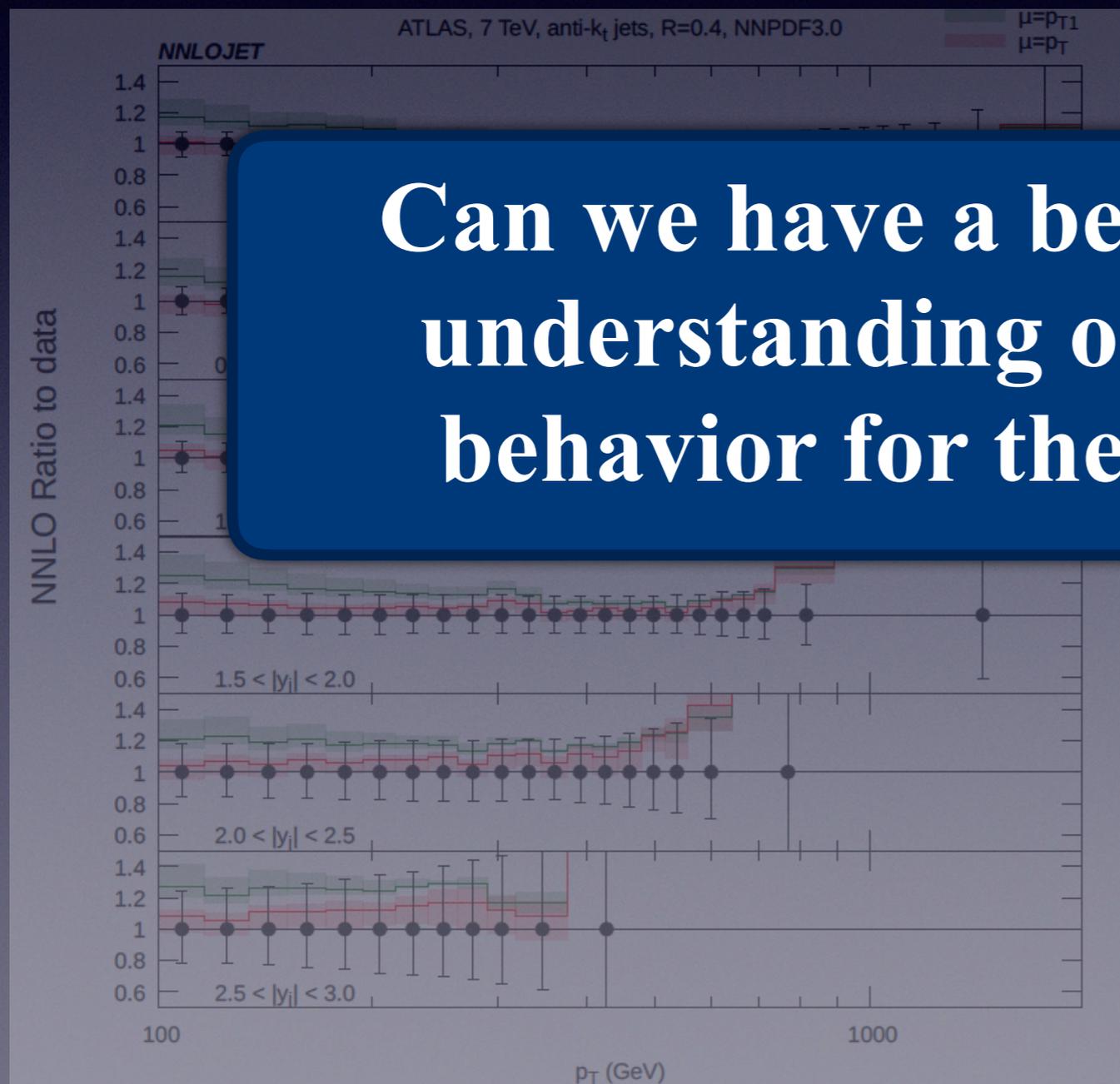
- Recent studies have shown that agreement between data and NNLO predictions for single-inclusive jet and di-jet production is sensitive to the scale choice



- If  $\mu_R = \mu_F = p_{T1}$ , where  $p_{T1}$  is the leading jet  $p_T$ , for all the binned jets in the event, **poor agreement with data is observed**
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**Can we have a better theoretical understanding of the observed behavior for the scale choice?**

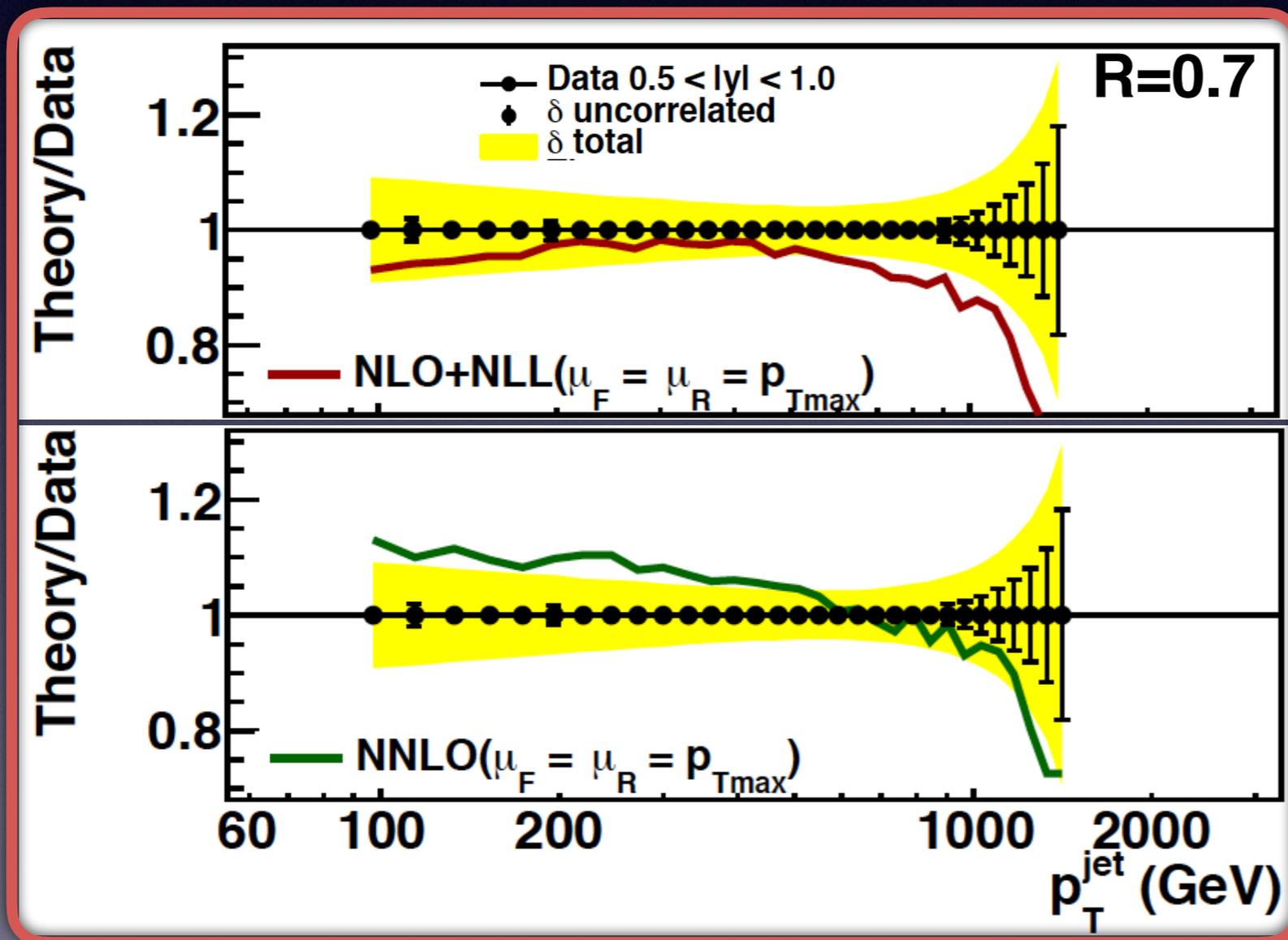
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# Single-inclusive jet production and the scale choice

- There is sensitivity to threshold logarithms at large jet  $P_T$ . There are also cone size dependent logarithms to consider:  $\alpha_s^n \log^k(R)$ ,  $k \leq n$ . Both should be resummed.

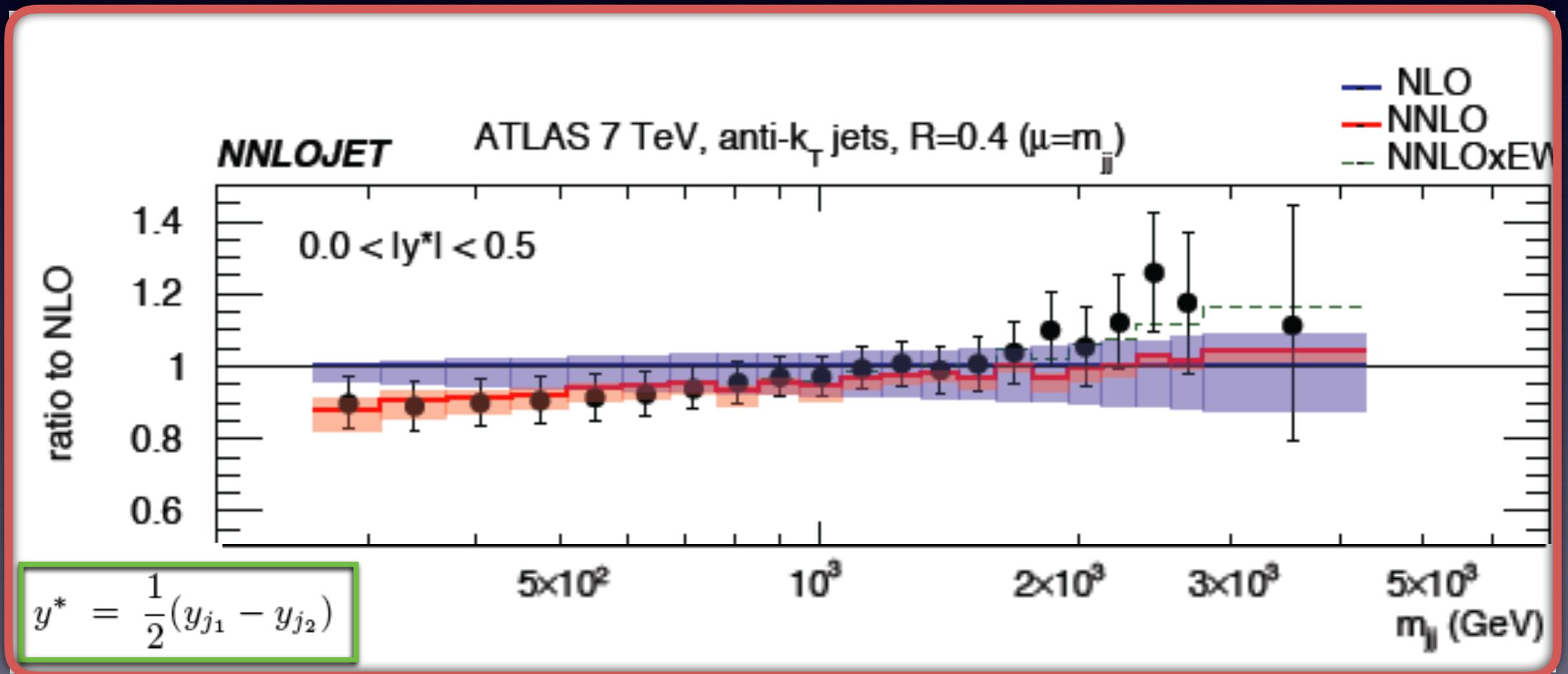


Liu, Moch, Ringer, 2018

- Resummation was done at NLO+NNLL for  $\mu_R = \mu_F = p_{T\text{max}}$ .
- Better agreement with data was observed at lower  $p_T^{\text{jet}}$  values for this scale choice
- Expected further improvement when NNLO+NNLL becomes available

# Di-jet @ NNLO

- Numerous applications of di-jet production at the LHC, including searches for new physics, measurements of  $\alpha_s$ , and determination of the high-x gluon.

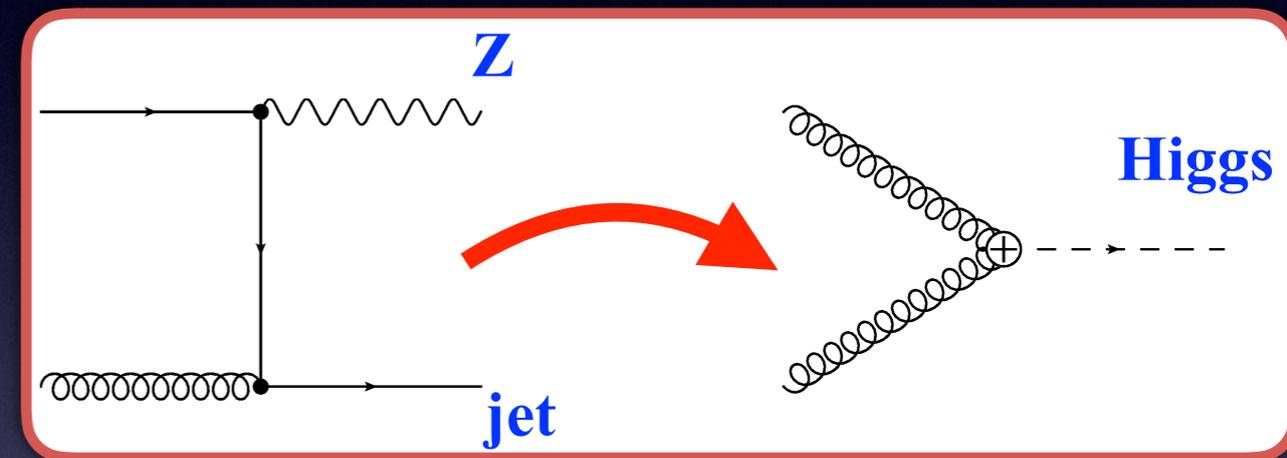
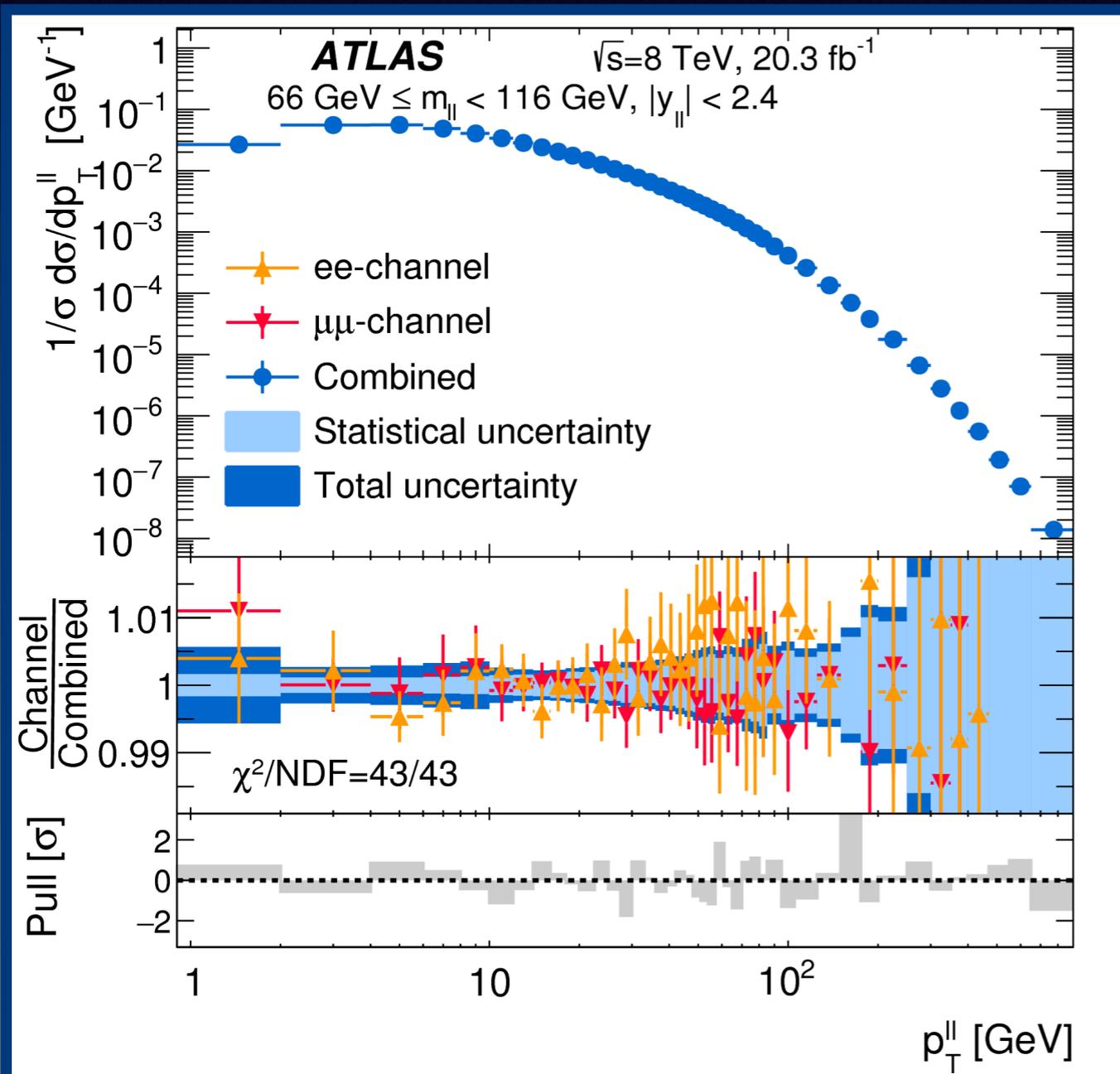


Currie, Gehrmann-de Ridder, Gehrmann, Glover, Huss, Pires (2017)

**Improved data/theory agreement in the central  $y^*$  region!**

# Z+jet and the Z $p_T$

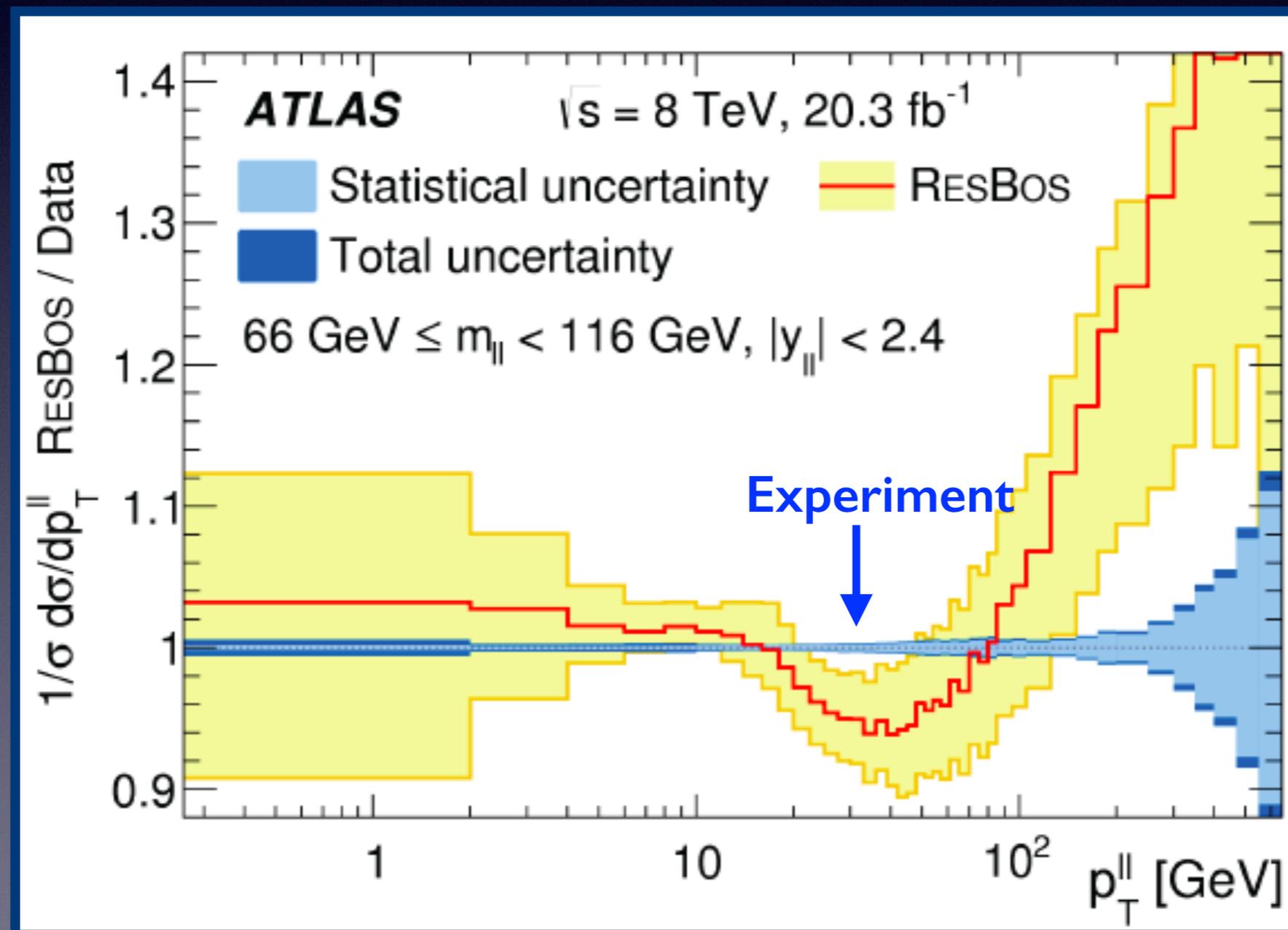
- The Z-boson transverse momentum spectrum measurement has reached a remarkable precision at the LHC, with errors below 1% over a large range



The leading-order cross section for this process depends on the gluon PDF; we can learn about the gluon distribution entering Higgs production from this data!

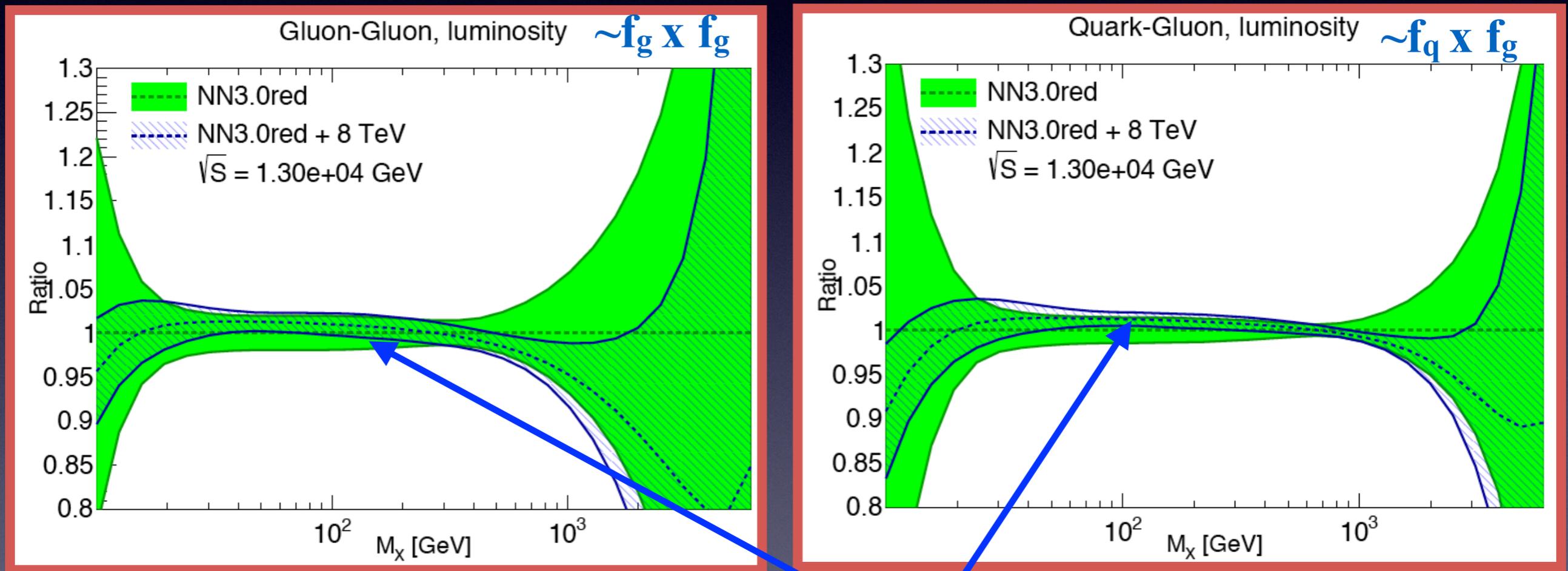
# Comparison with NLO theory

- NLO theory errors more than an order of magnitude larger than the experimental ones; Can't use these data to learn about the gluon PDF without NNLO



# Impact on PDFs from Z-pT

- After incorporating NNLO, theory error shrunk to the point that this data can be used. Improvements with respect to a pre Z-pT baseline fit:

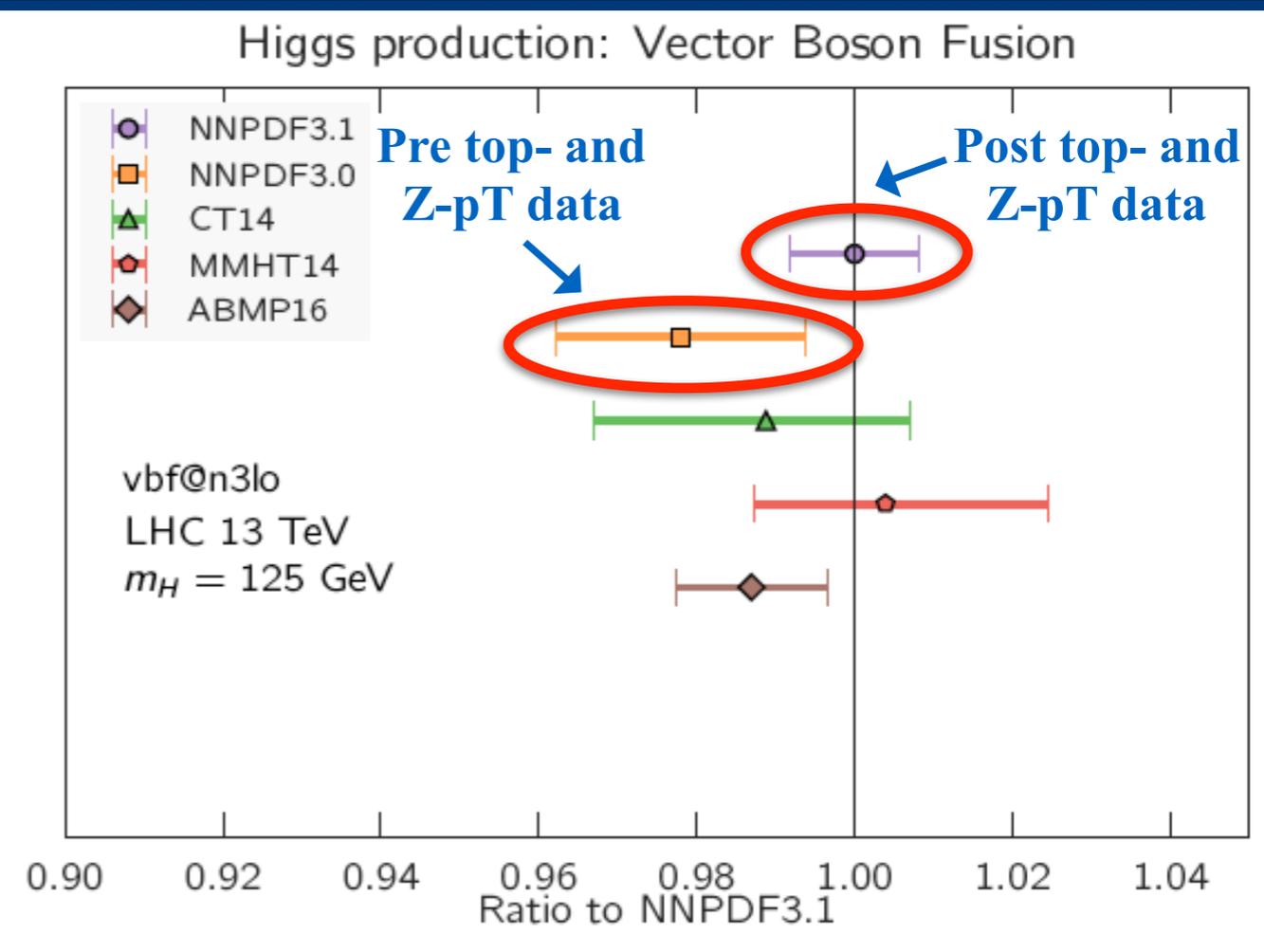
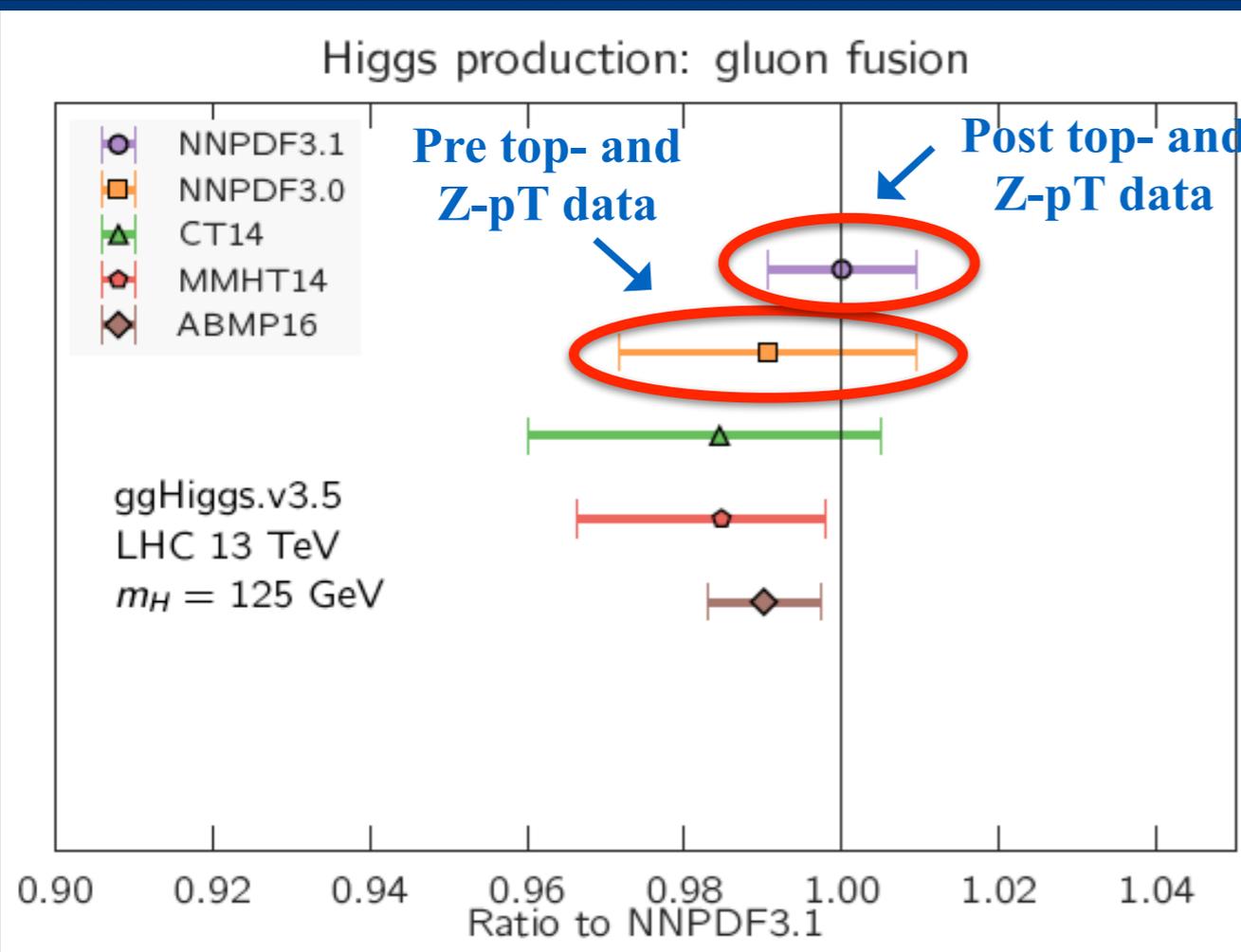


RB, Guffanti, Petriello, Ubiali (2017)

Gluon-gluon and quark-gluon luminosity errors reduced right near  $M_X \sim m_H = 125$  GeV!

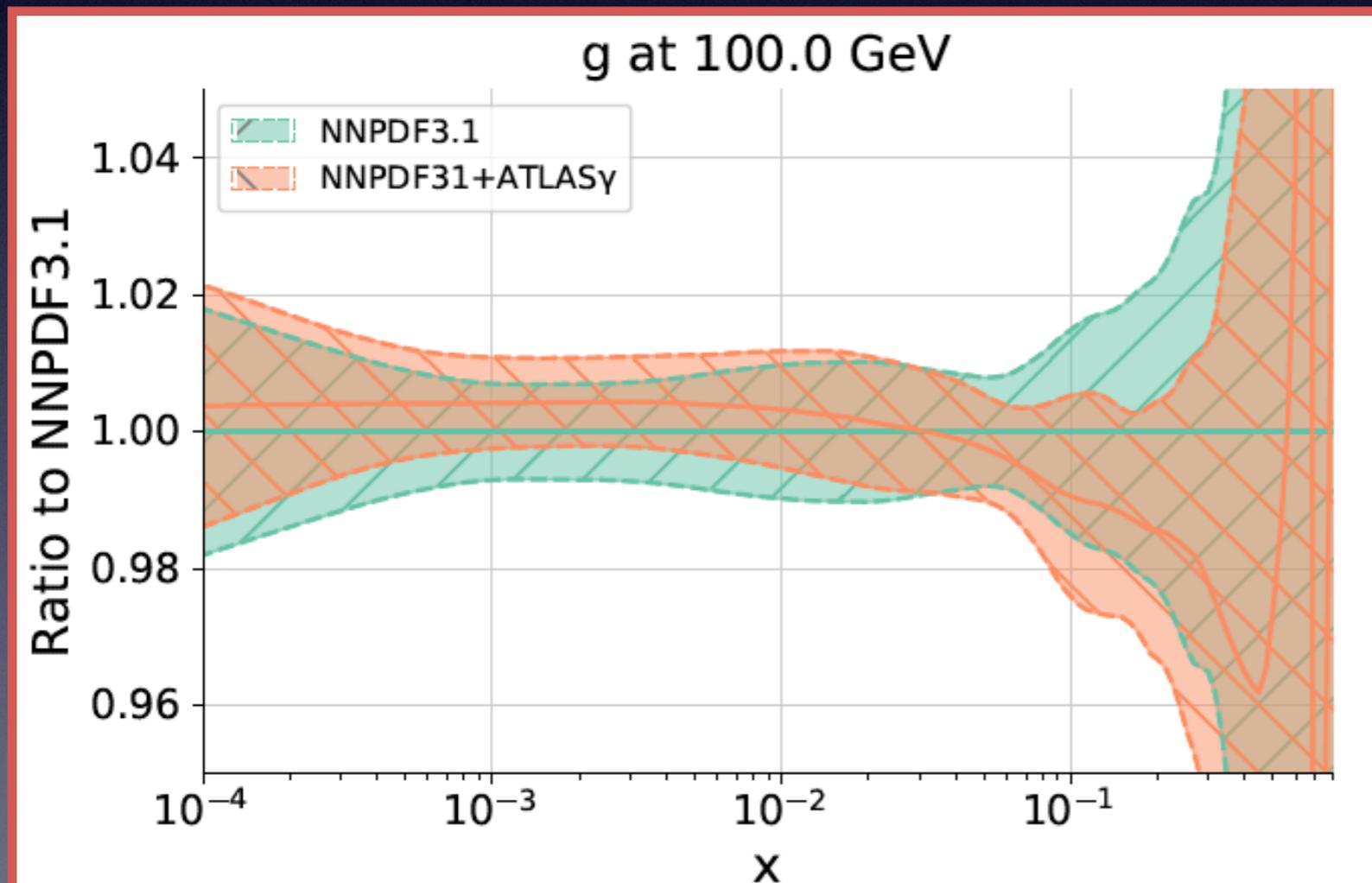
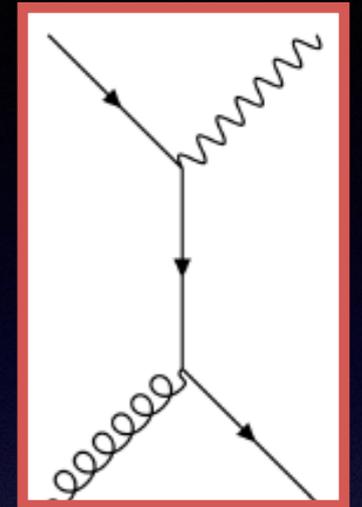
# Impact on global fit from Z-pT

In the NNPDF 3.1 global fit, when also combined with the top-quark and jet production now available at NNLO, the PDF errors on the gluon-fusion and VBF production modes are reduced by nearly a factor of 2 with respect to NNPDF 3.0



# PDFs from $\gamma$ +jet

- Can also learn about gluon PDFs from direct photon production at the LHC. Sensitivity occurs already at LO through QCD Compton Scattering  $qg \rightarrow \gamma q$



- Can now use NNLO predictions for  $\gamma$ +jet @ LHC
- Moderate reduction of gluon PDF uncertainties in the region  $10^{-3} \lesssim x \lesssim 0.4$
- Can incorporate this in future global PDF fits

# Future Directions

- All relevant  $2 \rightarrow 2$  predictions for jet processes are now available. For some of these processes approximations were used at NNLO (eg. infinite top mass limit for H+j) that need to be improved upon when studying high  $p_T$  regions. Work is in progress to go beyond what we have:
- **Direction 1:** 2-loop amplitudes for  $2 \rightarrow 3$  processes. Currently an active subject of study, with initial results for 3-jet amplitudes appearing (Gehrmann, Henn, Lo Presti (2016); Badger, Bronnum-Hansen, Hartanto, Peraro (2017, 2018); Abreu, Febres Cordero, Ita, Page, Zeng (2017, 2019); ...)
- **Direction 2:** multi-scale 2-loop amplitudes with massive internal particles, relevant for Higgs, top, vector boson production. New mathematical structures beyond multiple polylogarithms appear (Remiddi, Tancredi (2016); Bonciani et al (2016); Weinzierl et al (2016-2017); Ablinger et al (2017); Broedel, Duhr, Dulat, Tancredi (2017); Caola, Lindert, Melnikov, Monni, Tancredi, Wever (2018),...)

# Summary

- All relevant predictions for  $2 \rightarrow 2$  jet processes are now available at NNLO in QCD. In general good agreement with LHC data was observed. However few theoretical issues still remain to explore (scale choice, jet radius dependence, ...)
- These results are having an important impact on improving our understanding of PDFs
- Ongoing work to go beyond the available  $2 \rightarrow 2$  results and improve the existing approximations for NNLO predictions