

# An update on $t\bar{t}$ dilepton fiducial distributions

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# Outline

- ✓ Status of the comparison with CMS
  - ✓ Implications for top-pair production at threshold and  $m_{\text{top}}$  determination
  - ✓ A comment on spin correlations

## NNLO QCD vs CMS data

CMS arXiv:1811.06625

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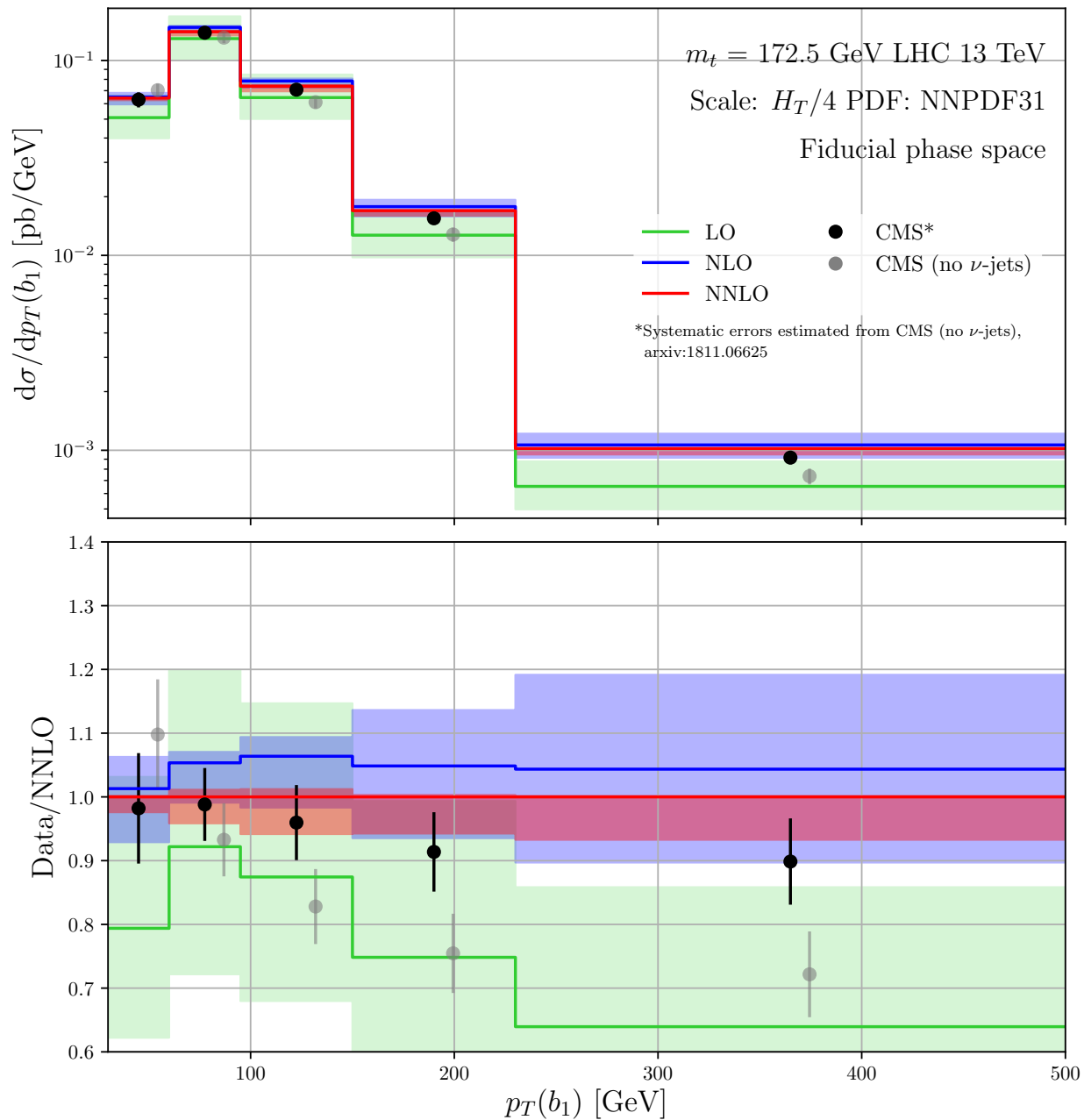
- ✓ First comprehensive comparison of fiducial differential distributions computed in NNLO QCD
- ✓ Amazing progress since Top2019!
- ✓ Special thanks for a very productive collaboration go to
  - the CMS TOP and LHCTopWG conveners
  - Mykola Savitskyi
  - Rene Poncelet
- ✓ As a result of our  $t\bar{t}+e\bar{e}$  investigations two sources of differences were uncovered

## NNLO QCD vs CMS data

- **Source 1:** [reported Nov19 TopWG] CMS uses “reconstructed” top, we used “true” top
  - Experimentally the top is reconstructed from the decay products
  - Initially we used the true top (which is known before the decay). Then switched to “reconstructed” top:
    - Assume neutrino momenta are known
    - Leptons + neutrinos give the two  $W$ 's (minimizing the differences from the true  $W$  mass). **This step is unambiguous for us**
    - Combine the two  $W$ 's with the two b-jets that minimize the difference between the reconstructed top masses and “true” mass. **In our calculation we can have up to 4 b-quarks – so a potential difference**
  
- **Source 2:** [NEW] Difference in b-jets: [See talk by Mykola Savitskyi]
  - In the CMS measurement the b-jets do not include neutrinos from semileptonic B-decays.
  - Our calculation is fully inclusive in QCD. Assuming no out-of-cone radiation, our calculation includes the neutrinos.
  - The updated CMS measurement includes these neutrinos. substantial numeric effect!

## **b-jet observables**

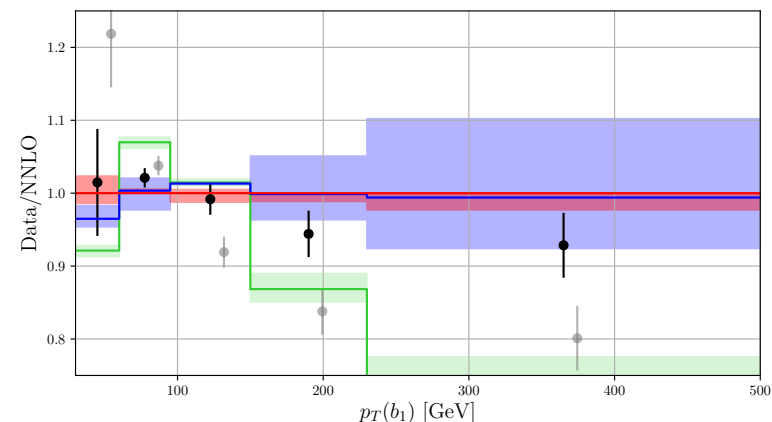
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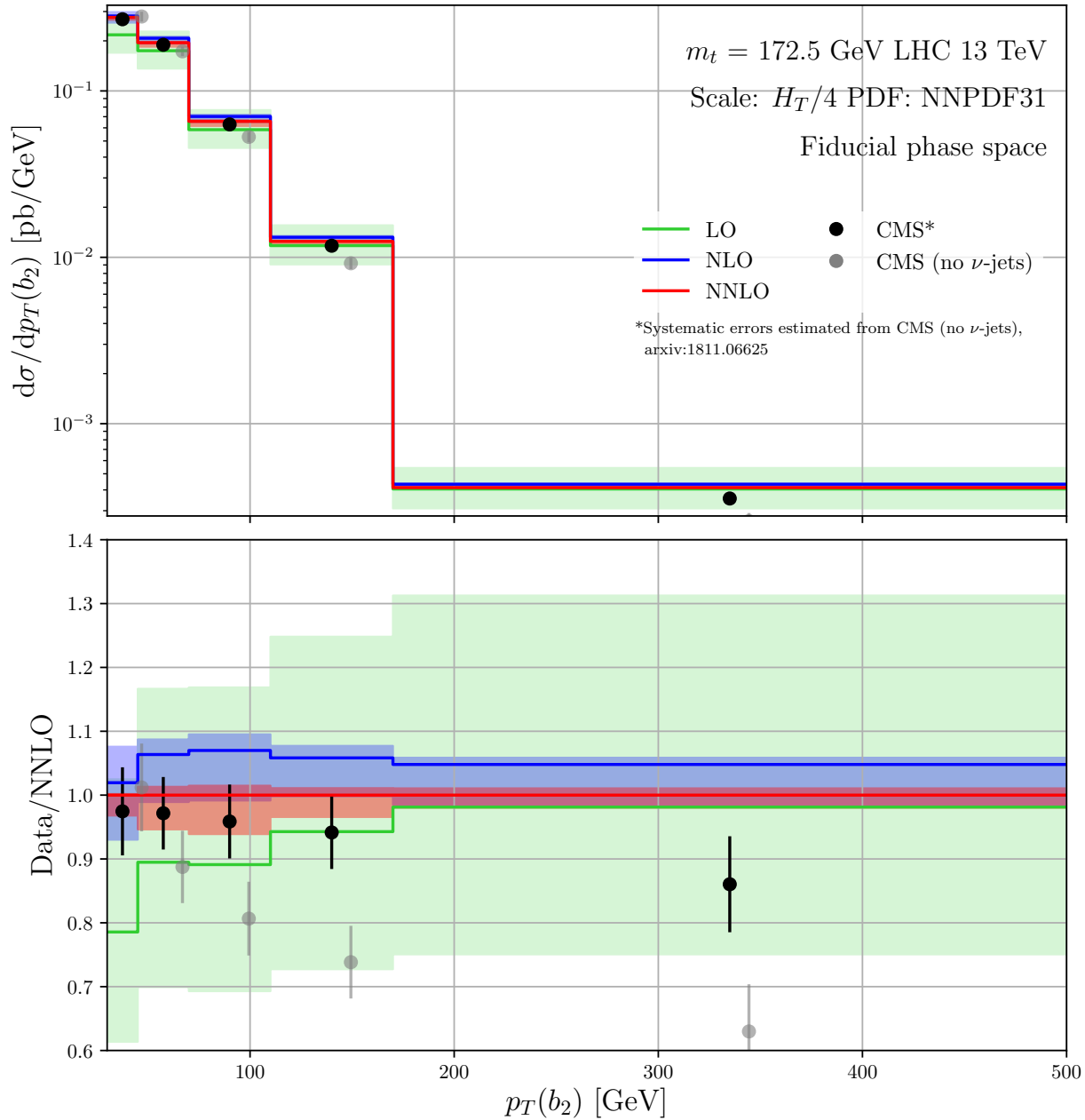
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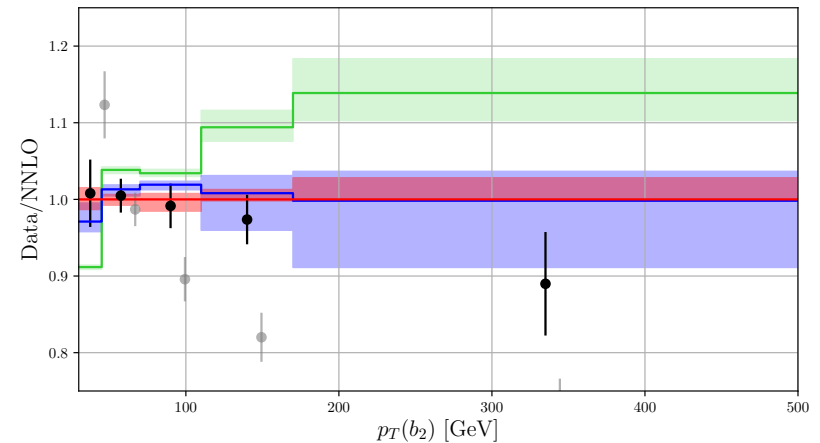
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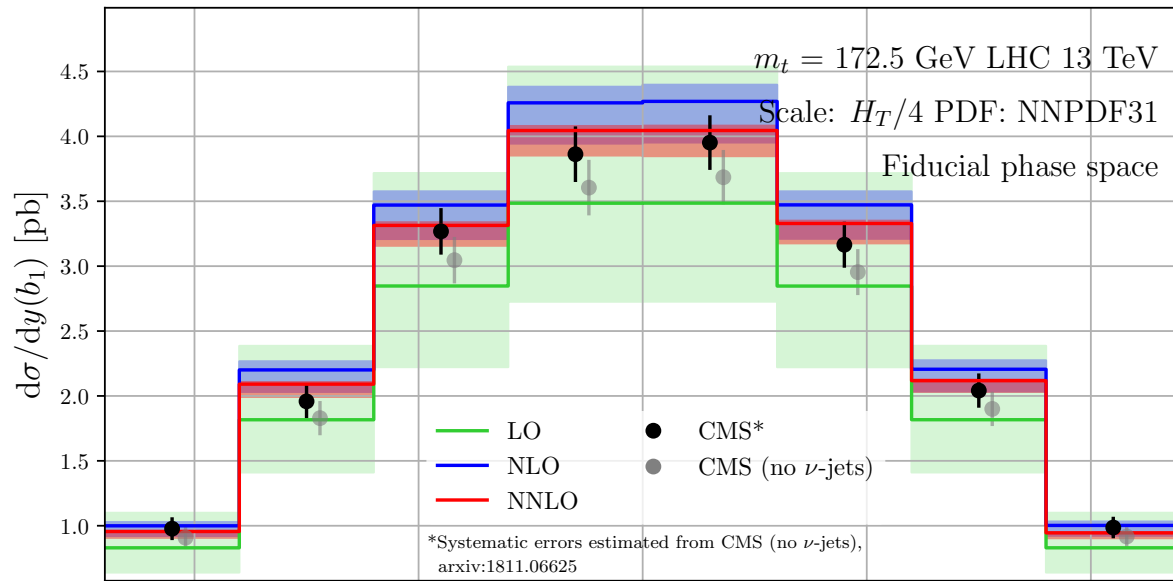
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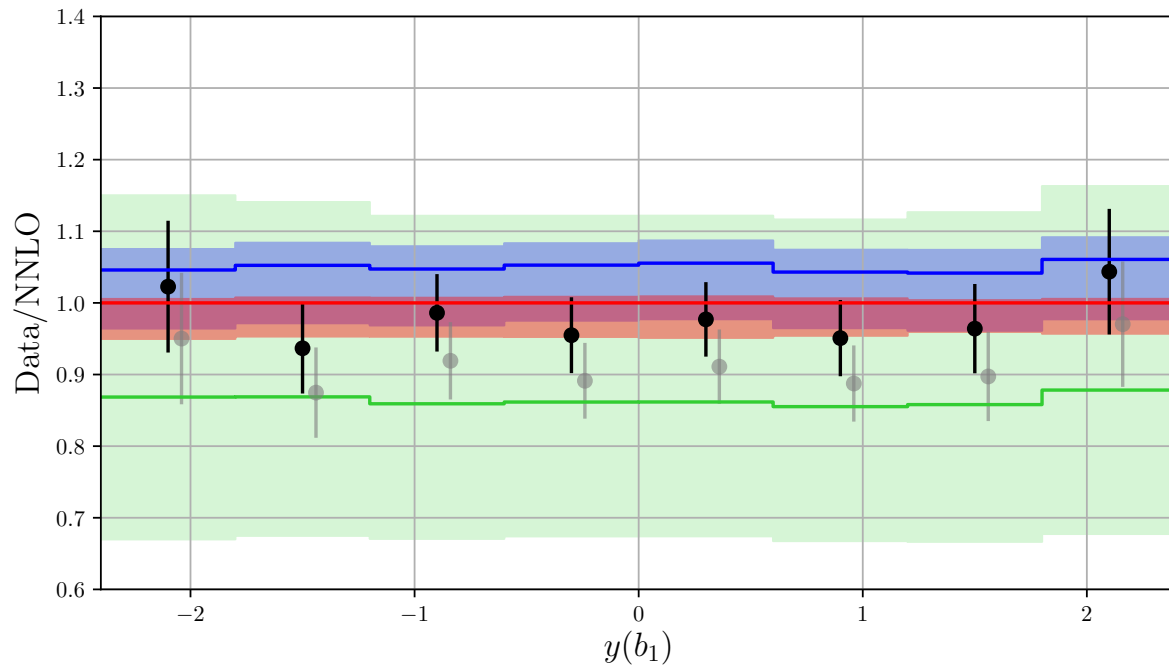


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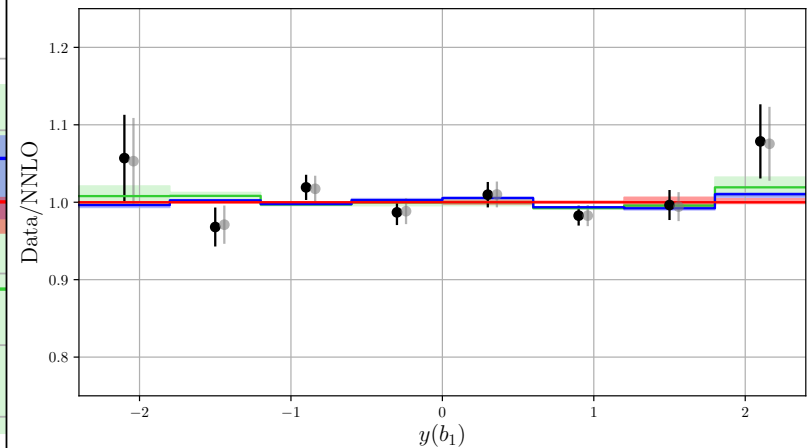


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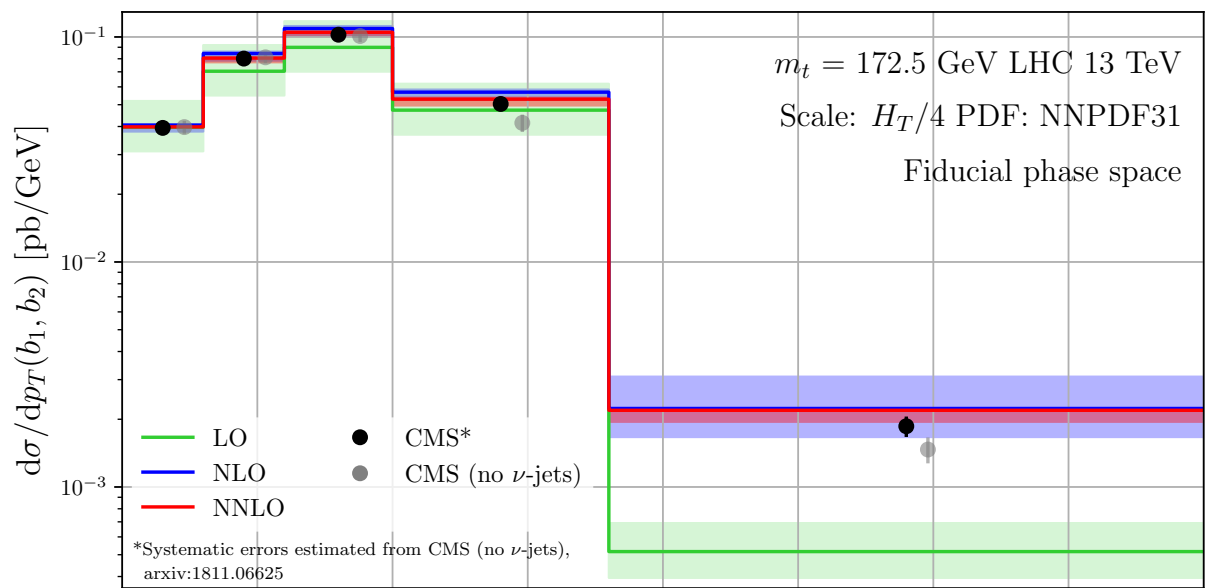


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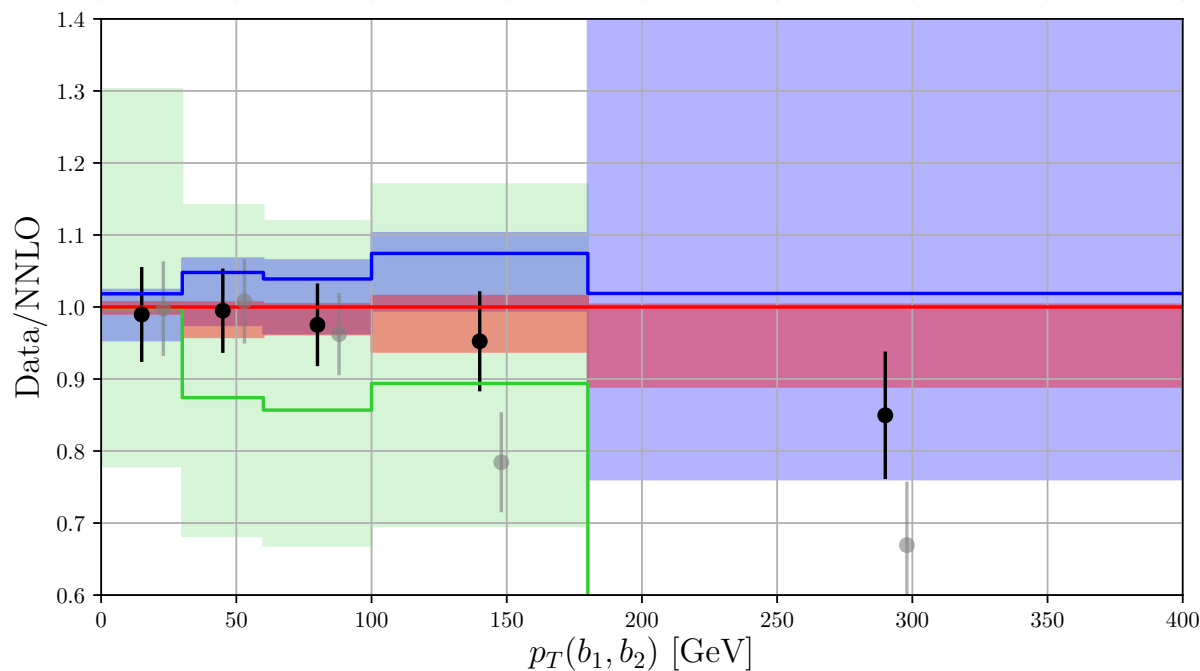


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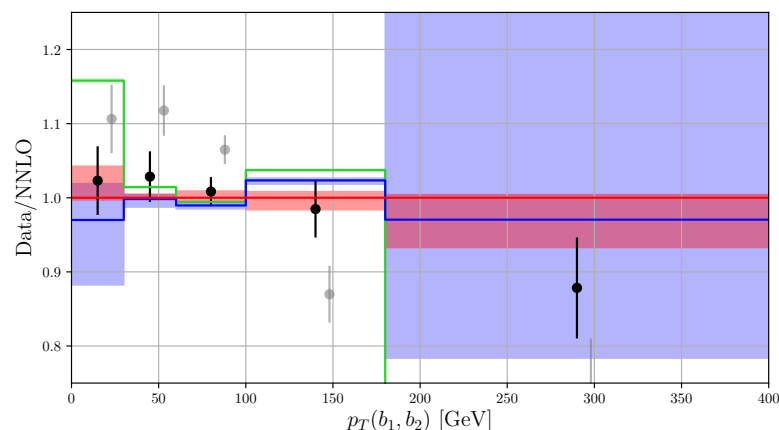


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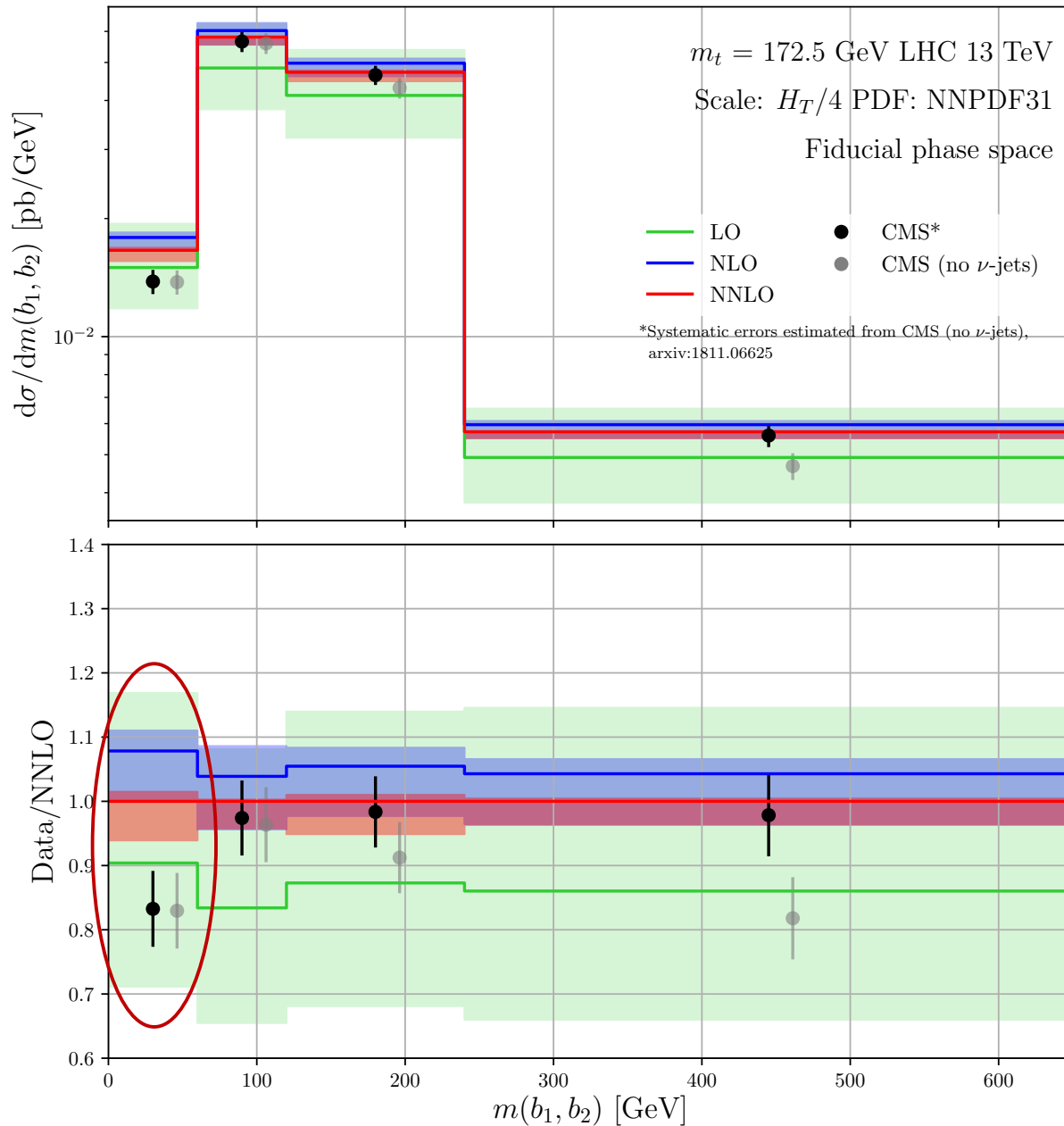
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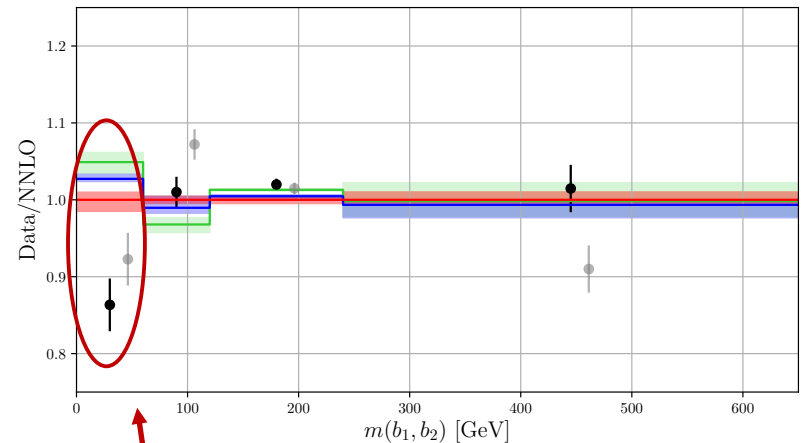
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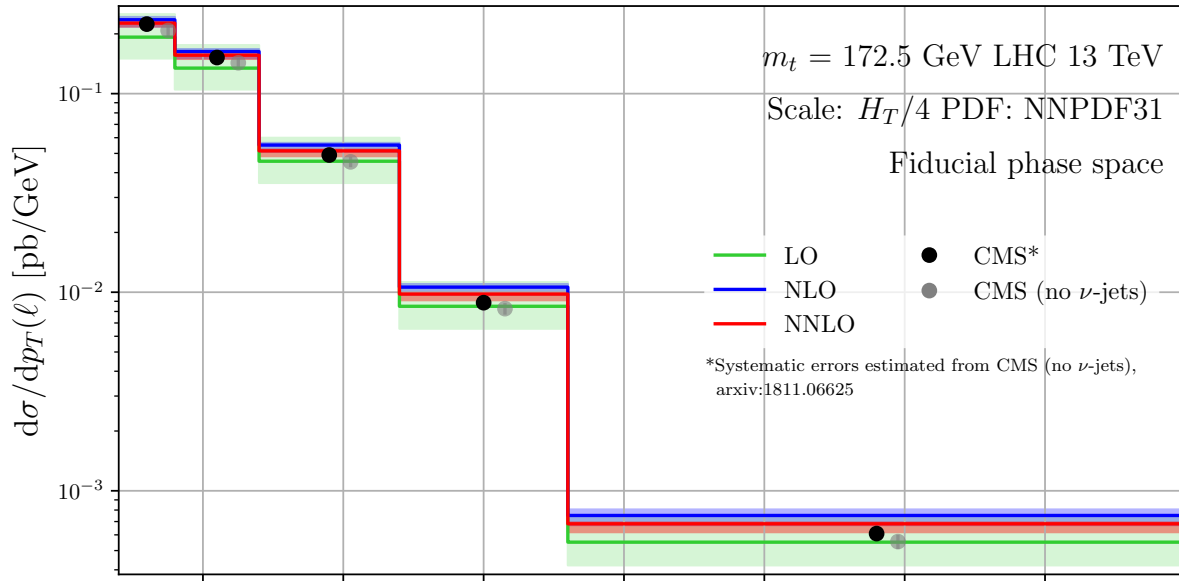
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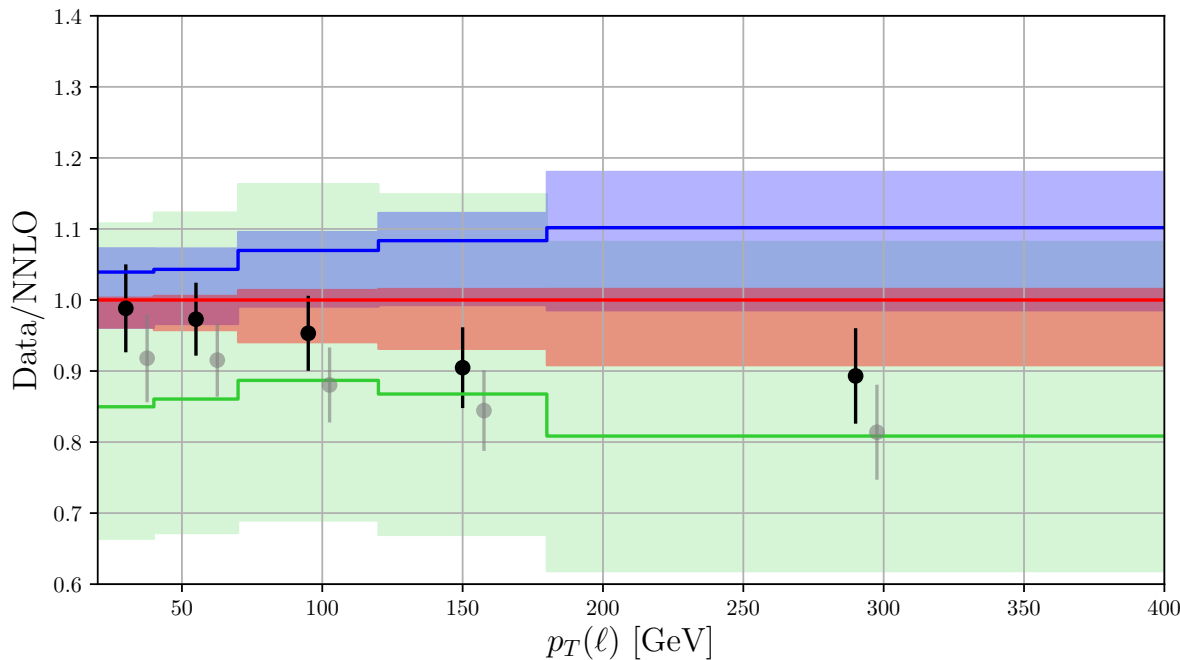
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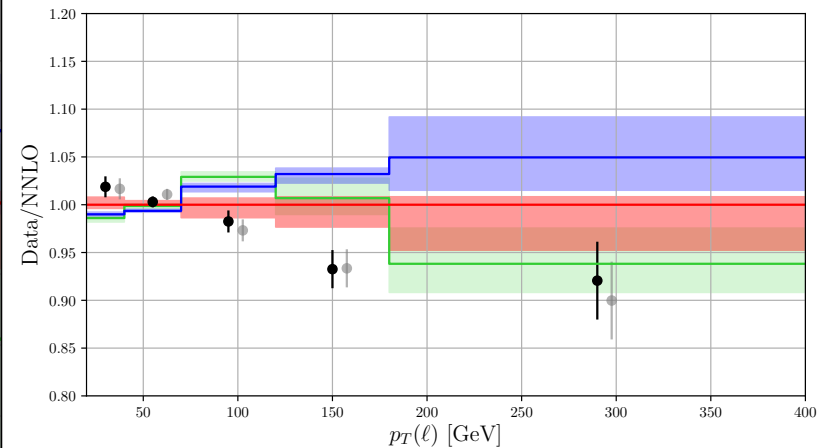


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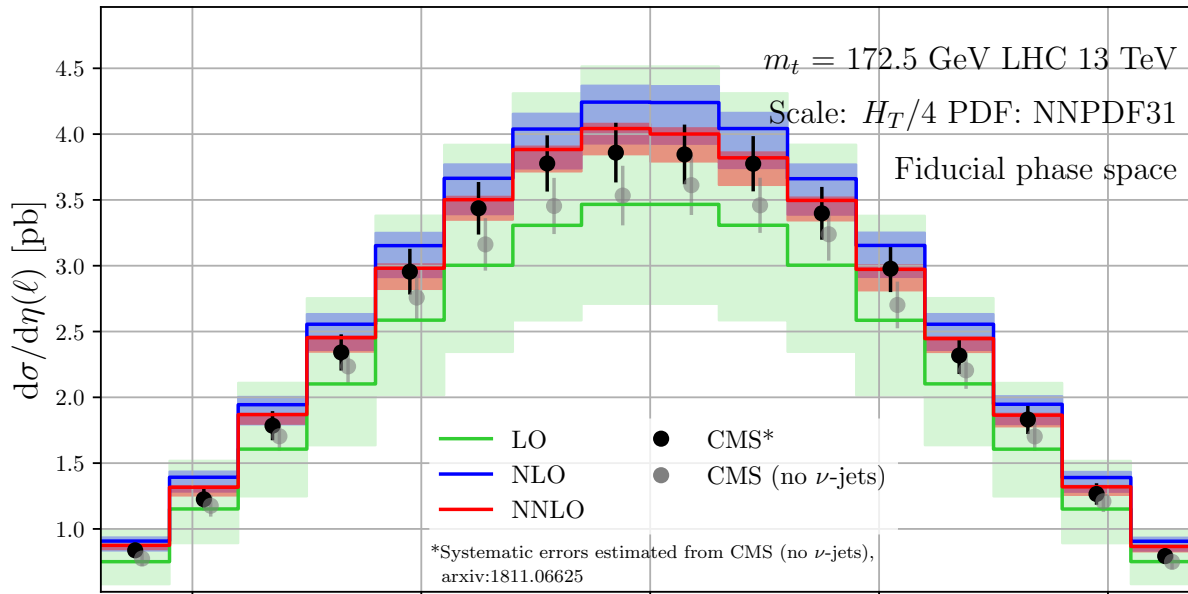
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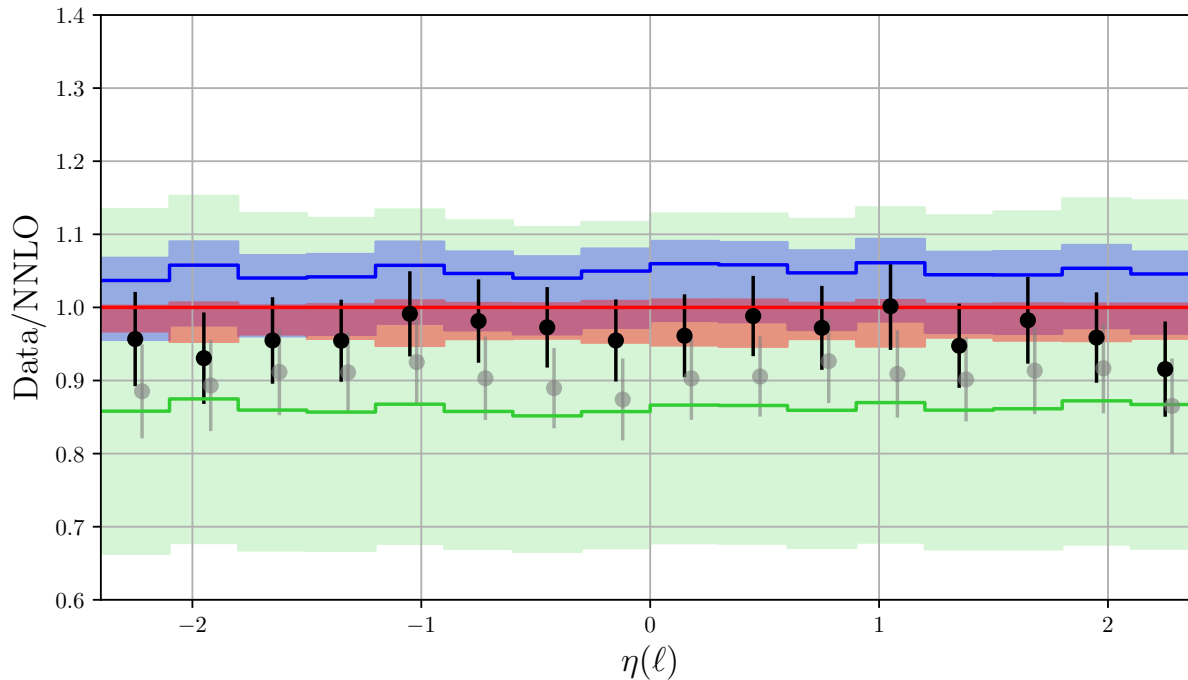


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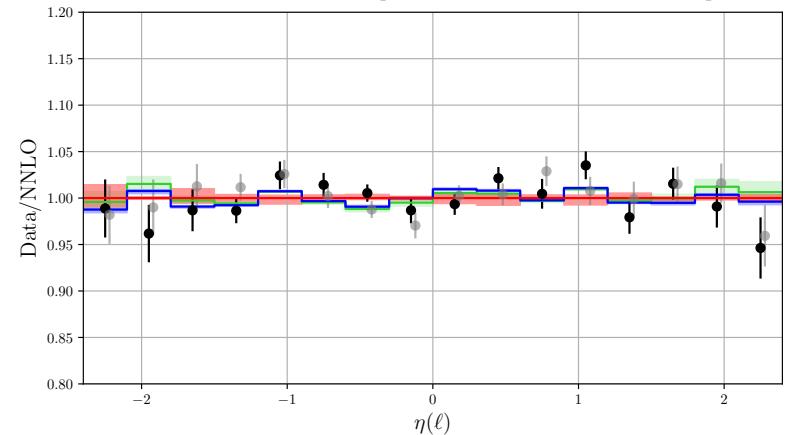


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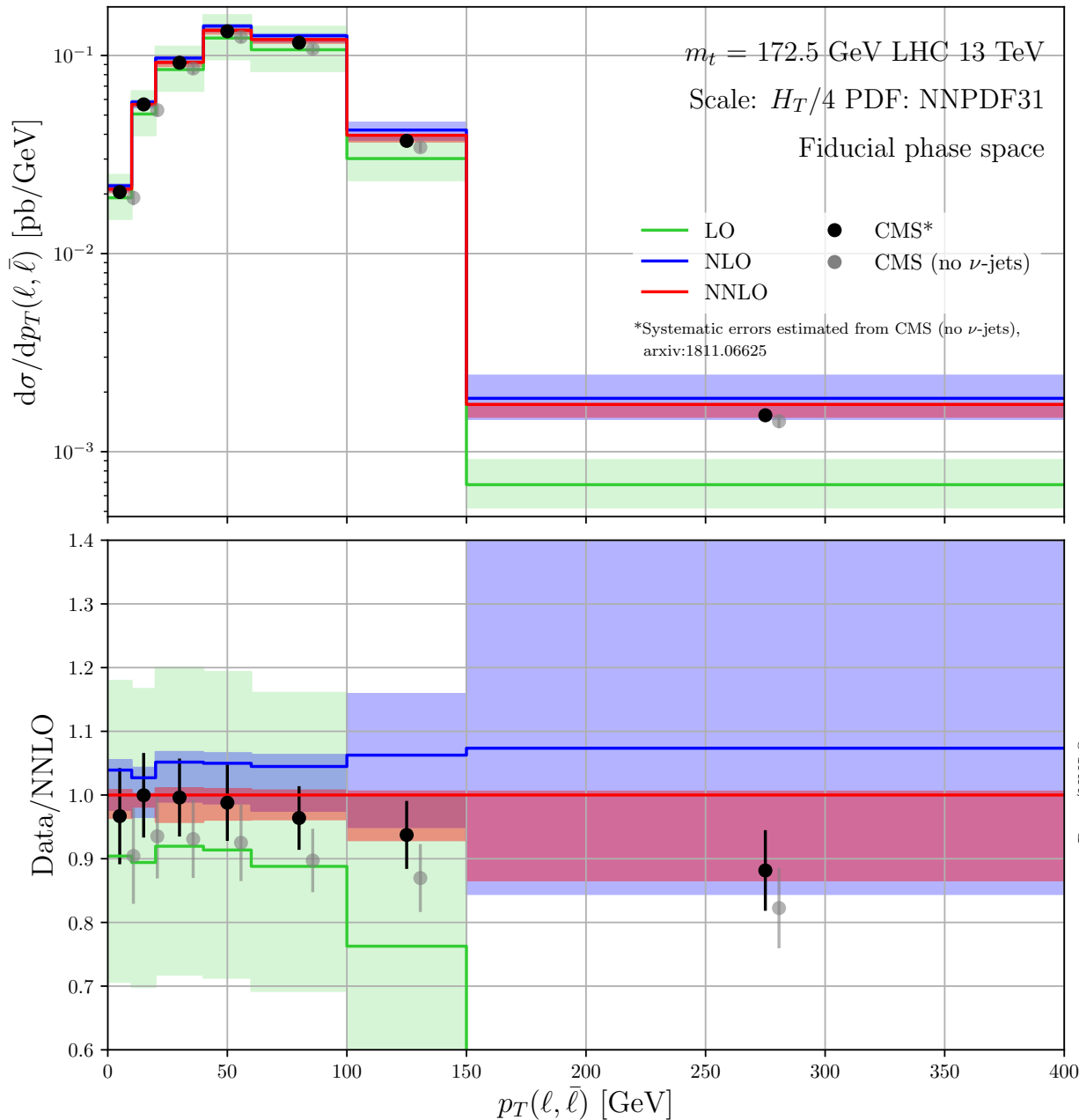
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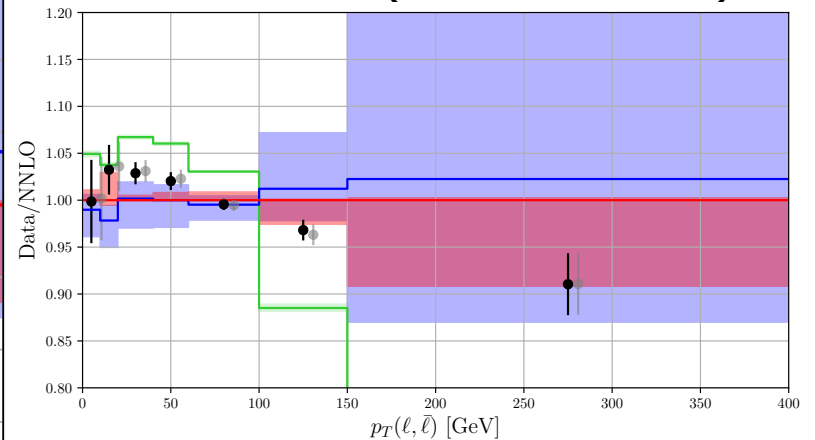
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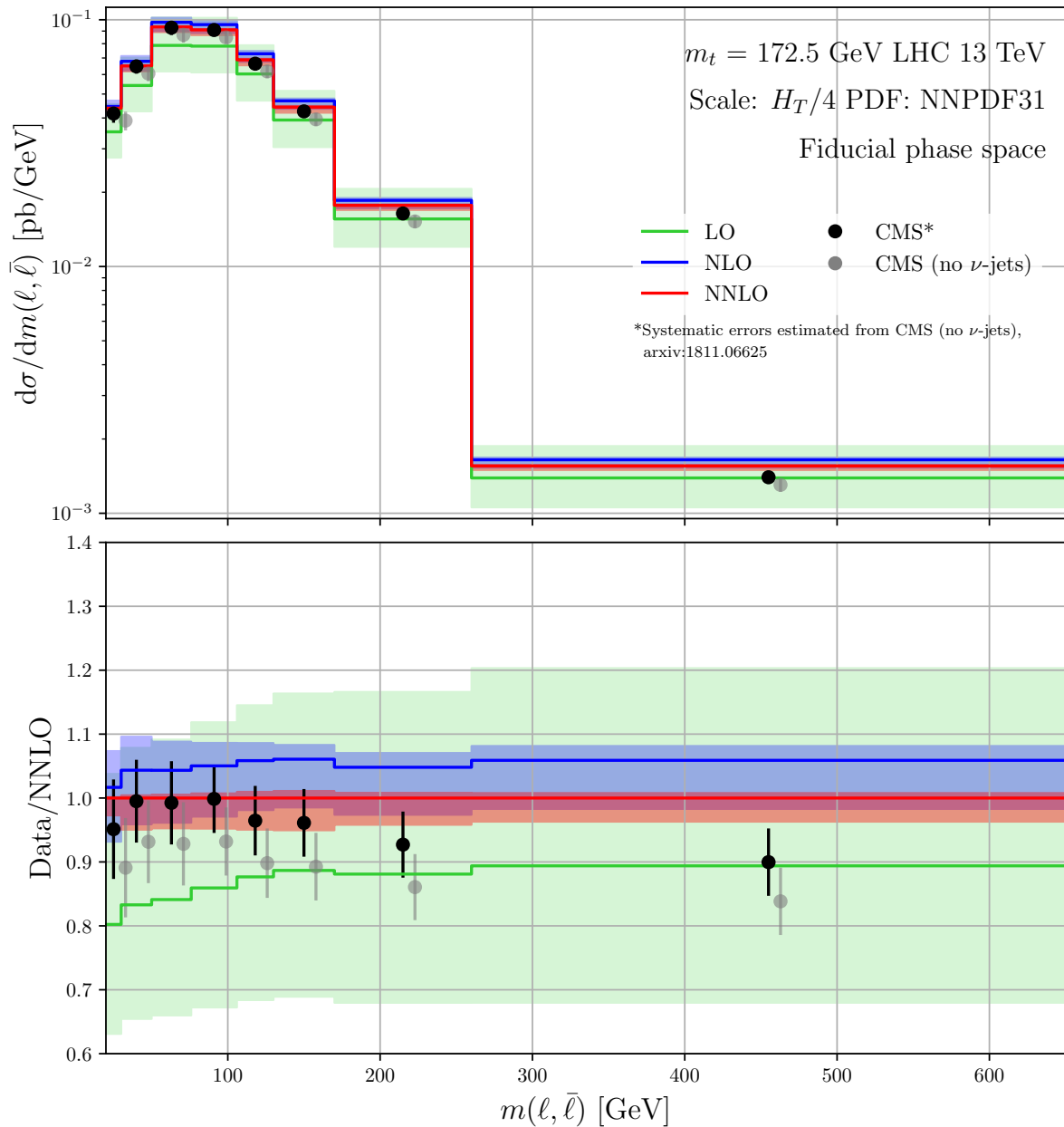
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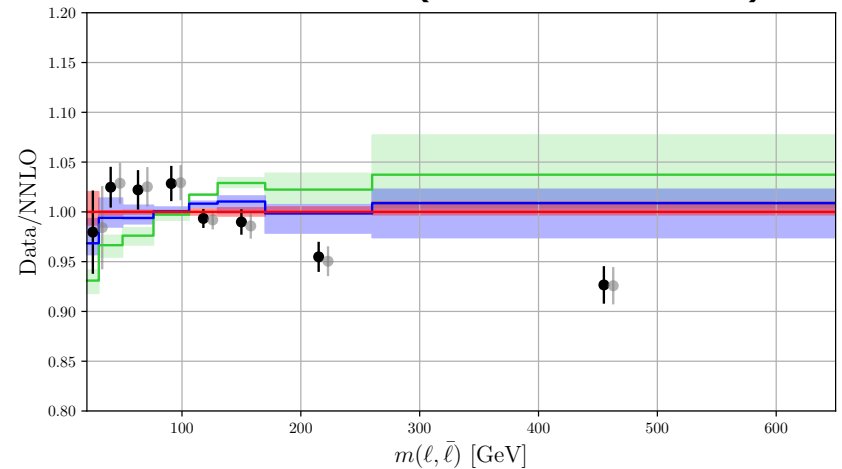
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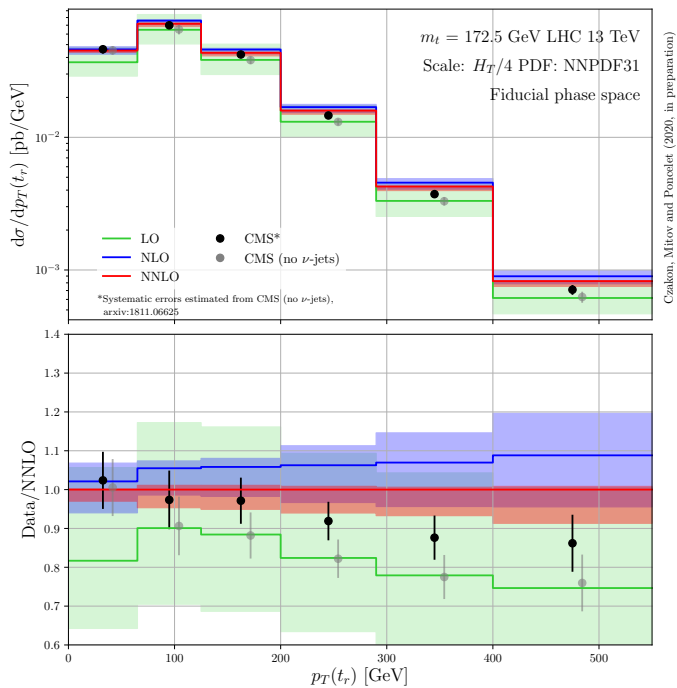
Note: there are 3 different top quarks that appear in the calculations

- reconstructed top  $t_r$  (fiducial volume)
- true top  $t_t$  (fiducial volume)
- inclusive top  $t$  (true top in inclusive phase-space)

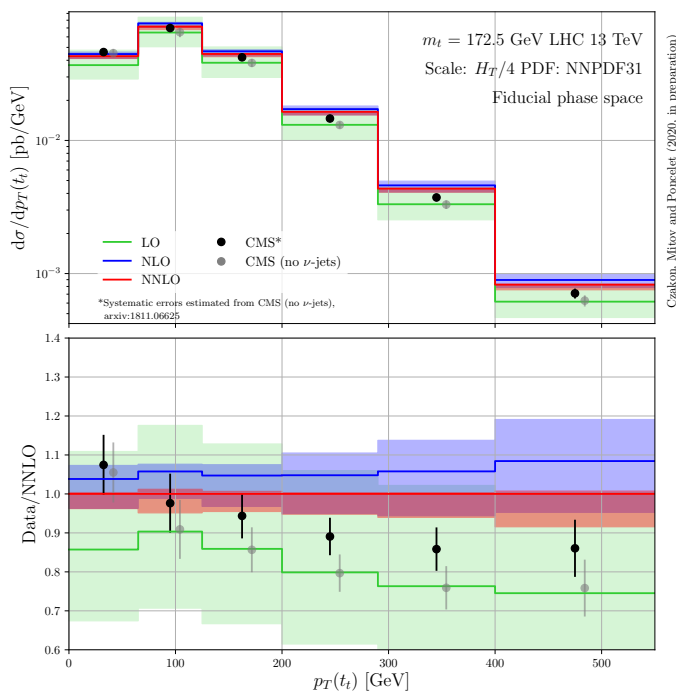


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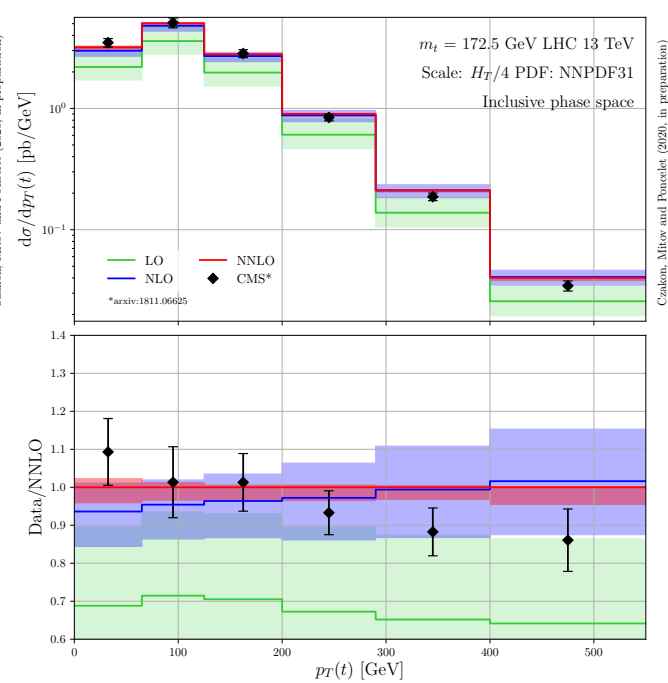
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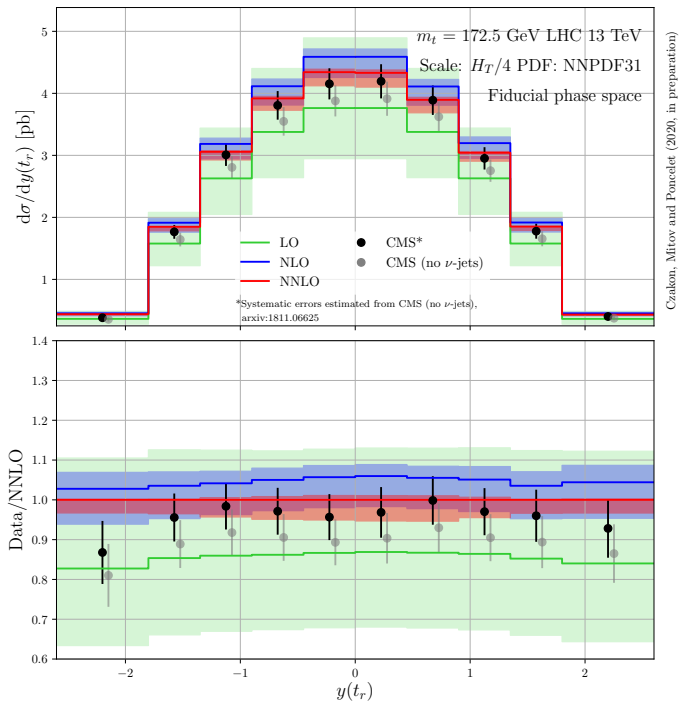


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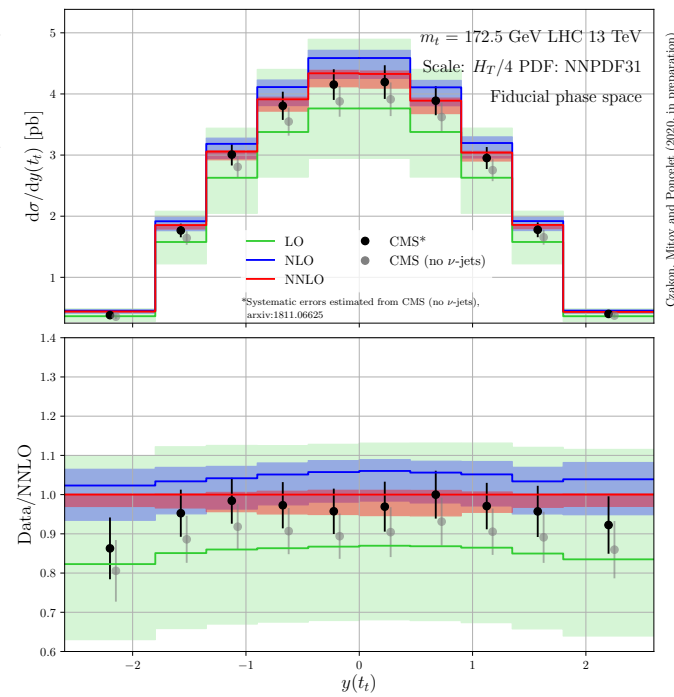


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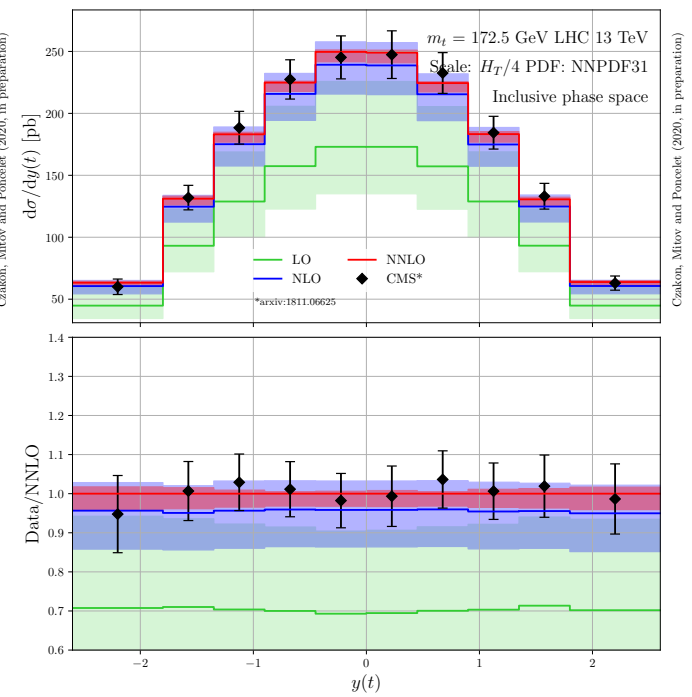
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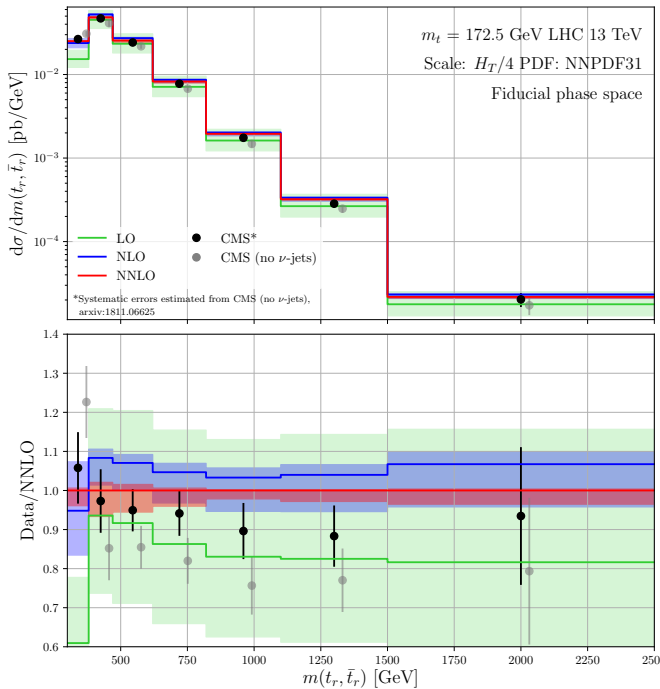


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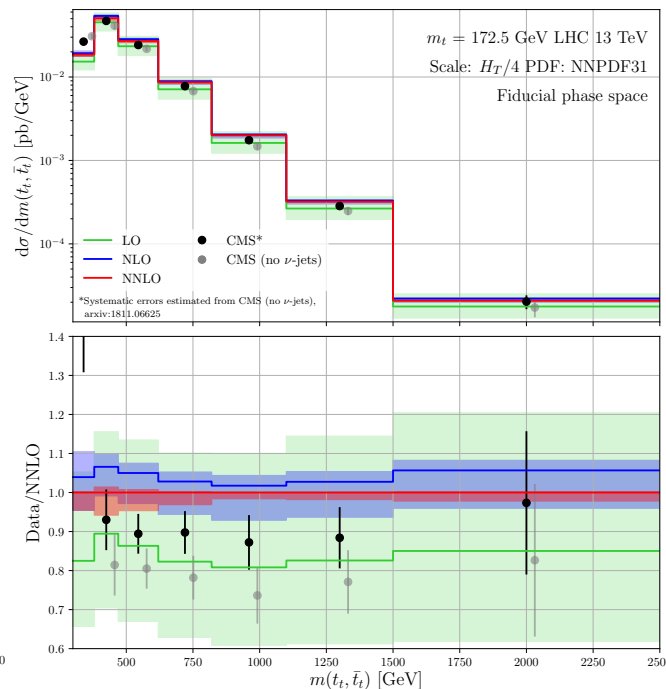


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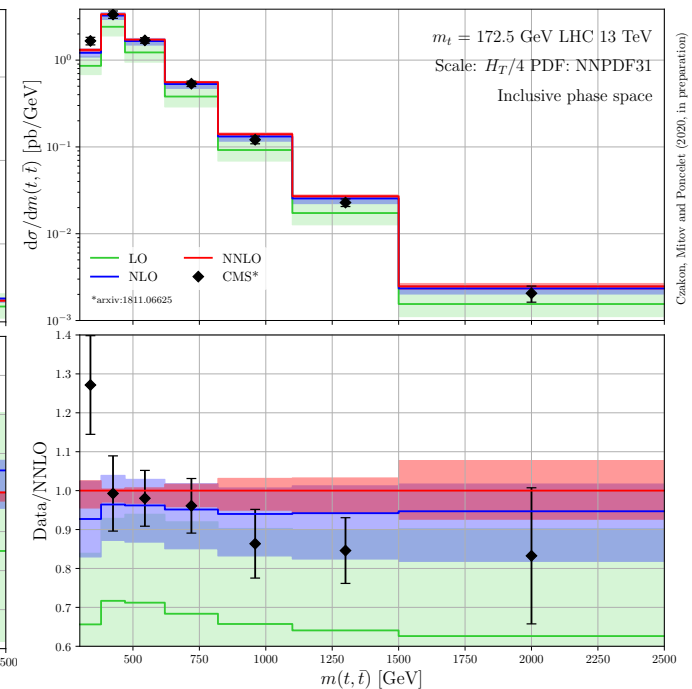
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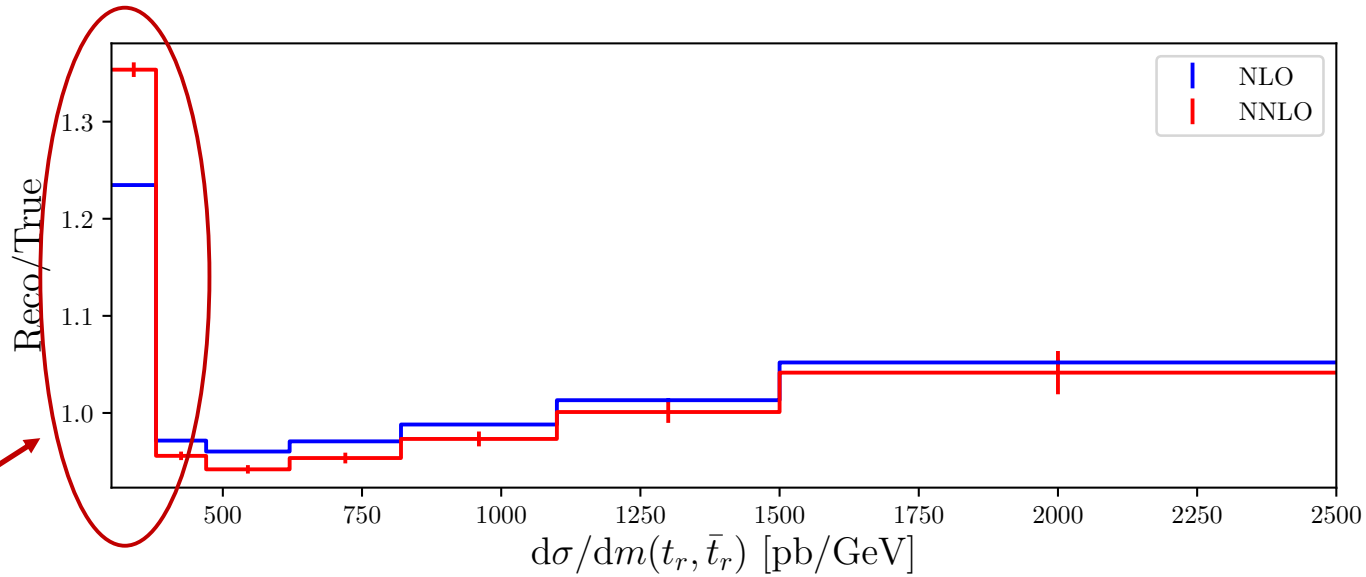
Modeling of top-production may have major impact on  $m_{\text{top}}$  determination at threshold!

- reconstructed vs true vs inclusive top are all very different
- the neutrino component of b-jets has significant impact
- MC's, too, do not seem to describe well the fiducial measurement at threshold?

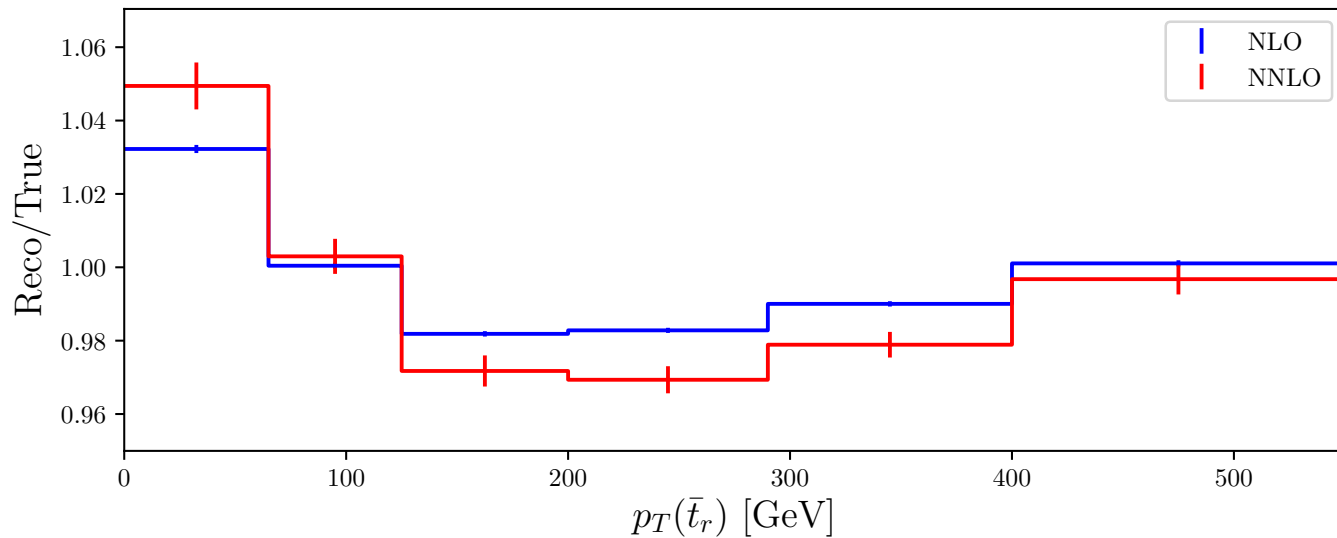
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- ✓ Ratio between the true and the constructed tops at NLO and NNLO (CMS selection)



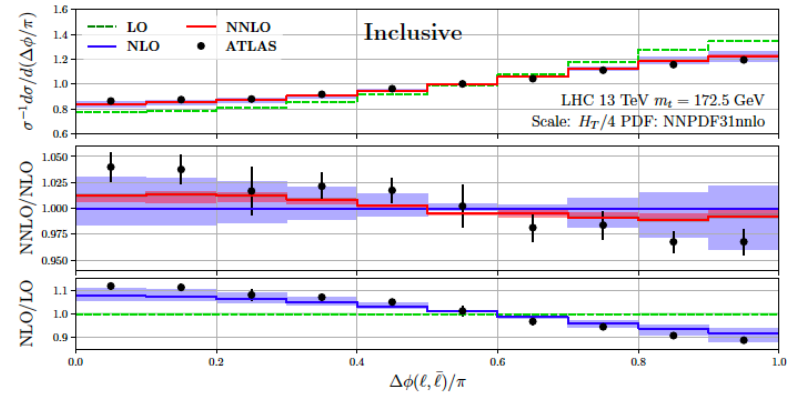
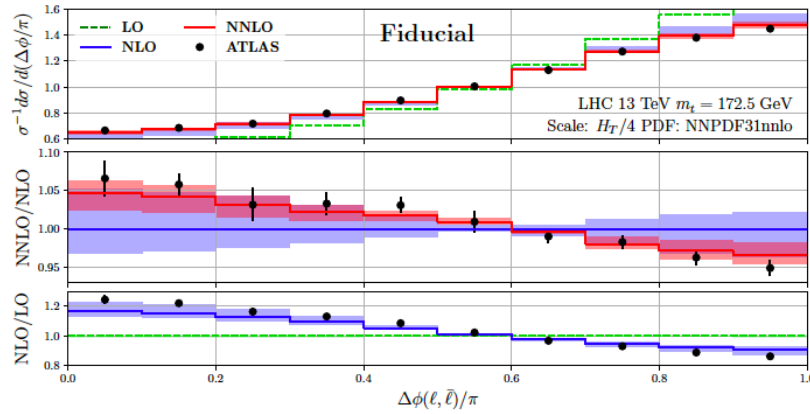
Notice this bin;  
Huge effect



## **A comment on spin-correlations in $\Delta(\Phi)$**

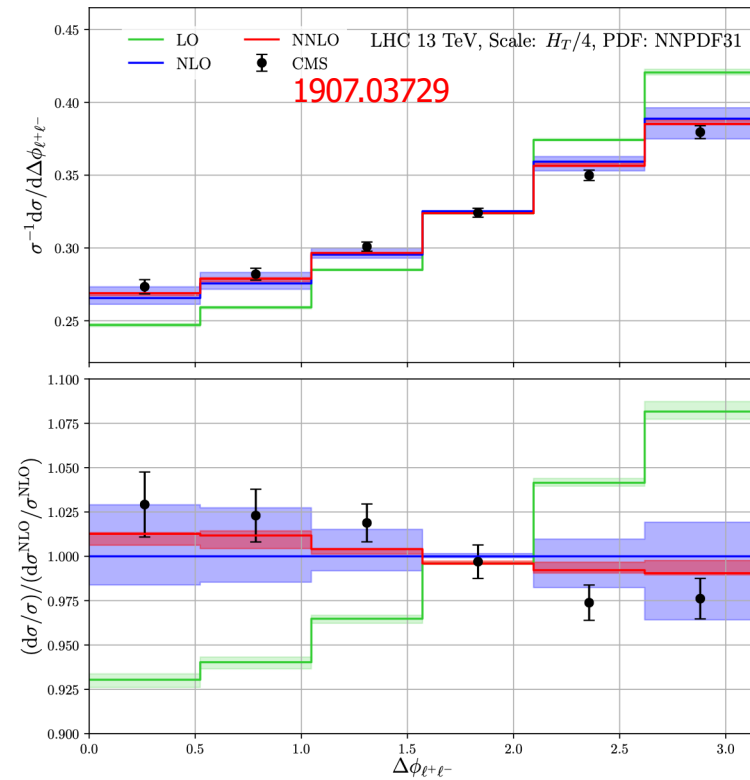
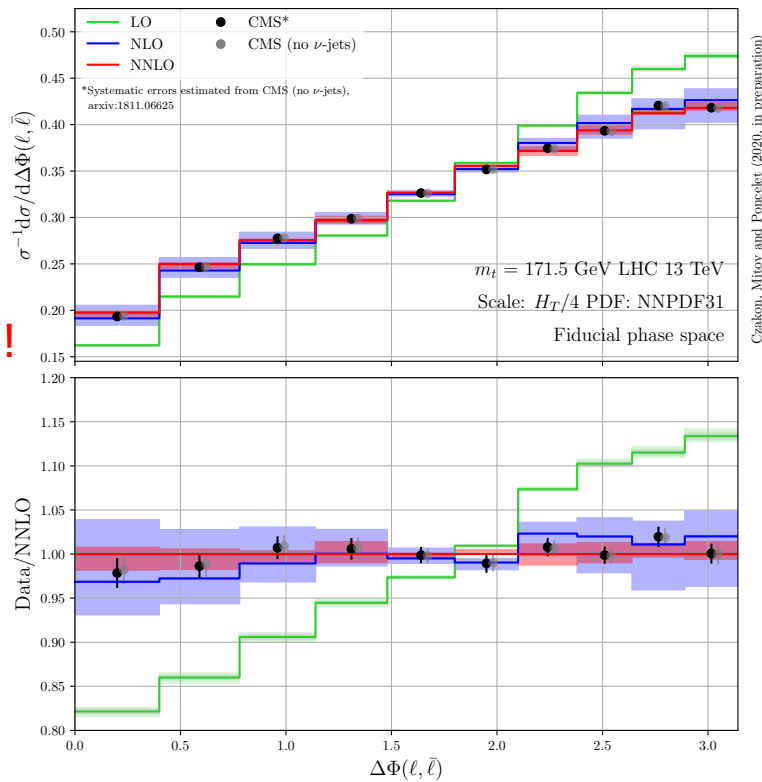
- ✓ NNLO QCD corrections to top pair spin-correlations were found to agree with ATLAS at fiducial level and disagree at inclusive

Behring, Czakon, Mitov, Papanastasiou, Poncelet arXiv:1901.05407



- ✓ The same feature (agreement in fiducial, not as much in inclusive) persists with CMS!

NEW!



# Conclusions

- ✓ First comprehensive check of  $t\bar{t}$  differential fiducial distributions with NNLO QCD
- ✓ Once calculations are done with reconstructed tops and b-jets are inclusive of neutrinos from semileptonic decays, an impressive agreement is found across all distributions
- ✓ We have checked (not shown) what happens if  $m_{\text{top}} = 171.5$  GeV: improved normalized distributions
- ✓ Overall, description of differential distributions in NNLO QCD is good for inclusive selections (shown in the past for ATLAS) as well as for fully fiducial ones.
- ✓ These predictions, and more, will soon be made public Czakon, Mitov, Poncelet 2020 (to appear)
- ✓ The effects seem to have outsize impact close to  $t\bar{t}$  threshold: significant impact on  $m_{\text{top}}$  determination, among others.
- ✓ The fiducial  $\Delta(\phi)$  NNLO predictions agree well with both ATLAS and now with CMS. Perhaps it is time to move beyond inclusive selection in this observable?
- ✓ Going forward: many of the questions related to differences in b-jets can be circumvented if data is published (also) for jets at parton level?