

# Progress in $t\bar{t}$ @NNLO+PS

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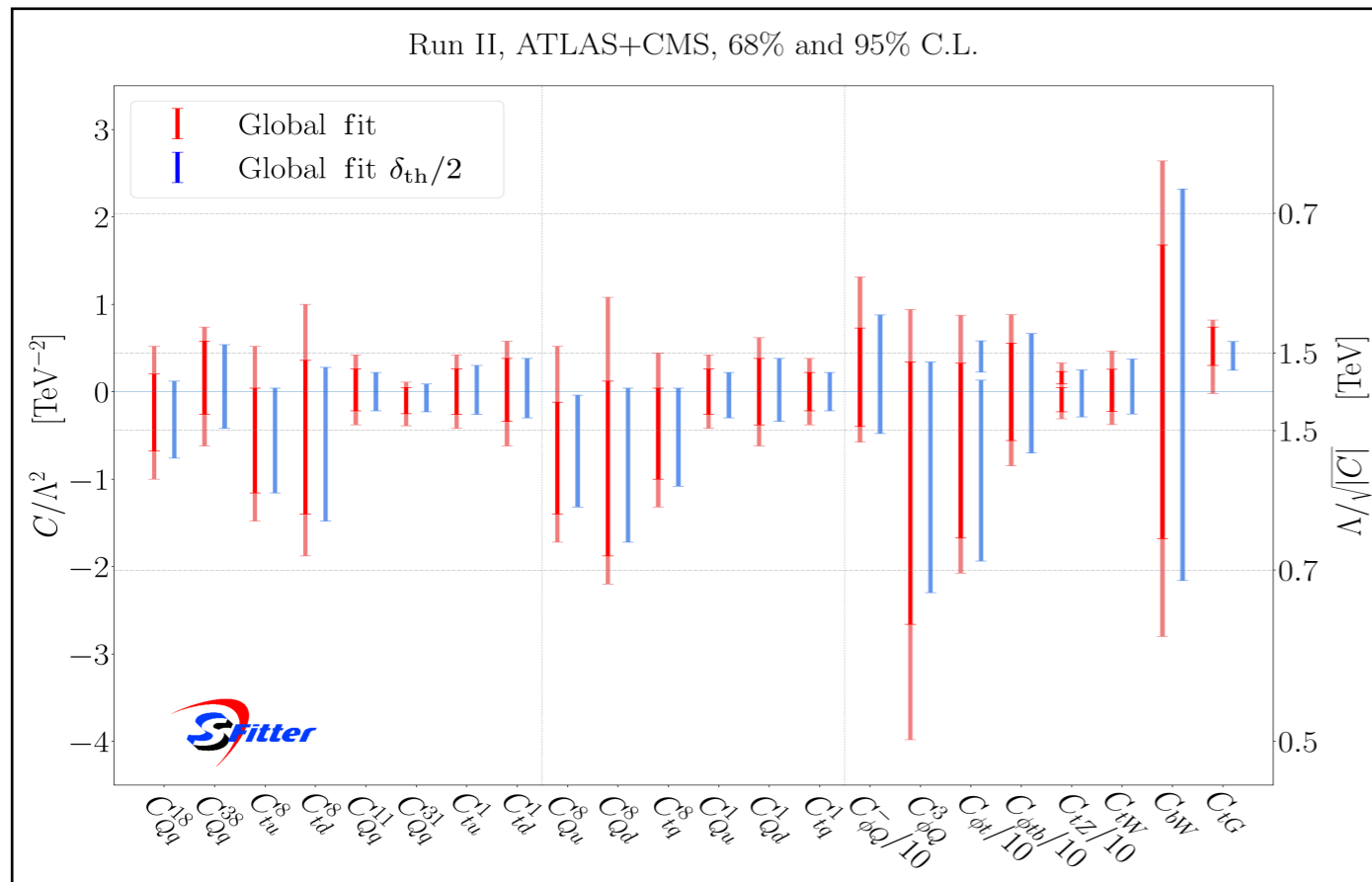
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# Importance of $t\bar{t}$ at LHC

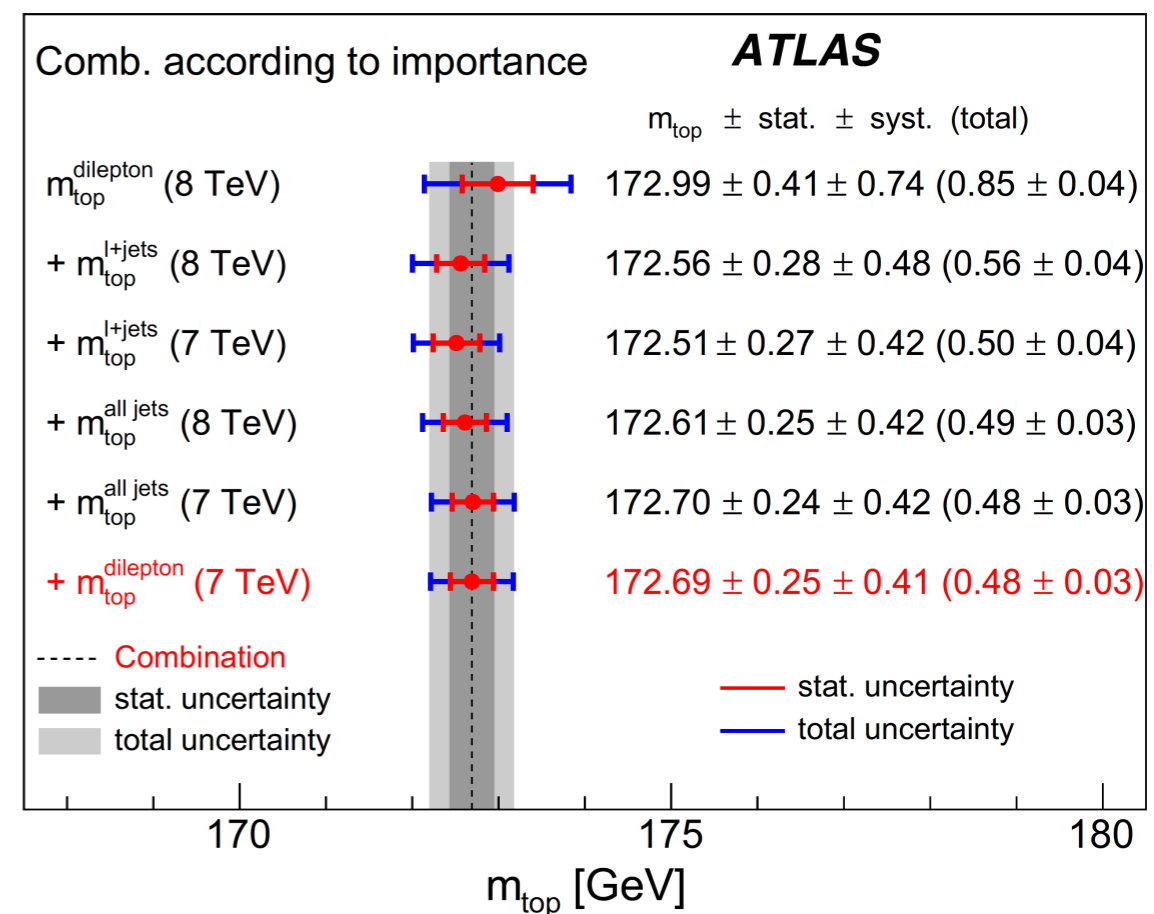
◆ probe of new physics (top sector: rich BSM/SMEFT sensitivity)

e.g. [Brivio, Bruggisser, Maltoni, Moutafis, Plehn, Vryonidou, Westhoff, Zhang '19]



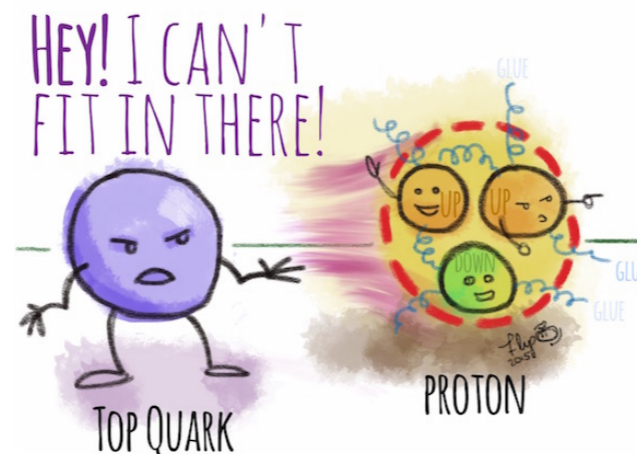
◆ SM precision measurements  
e.g. top mass (or  $\alpha_s$ ) extraction

[ATLAS EPJC (2019) 290]



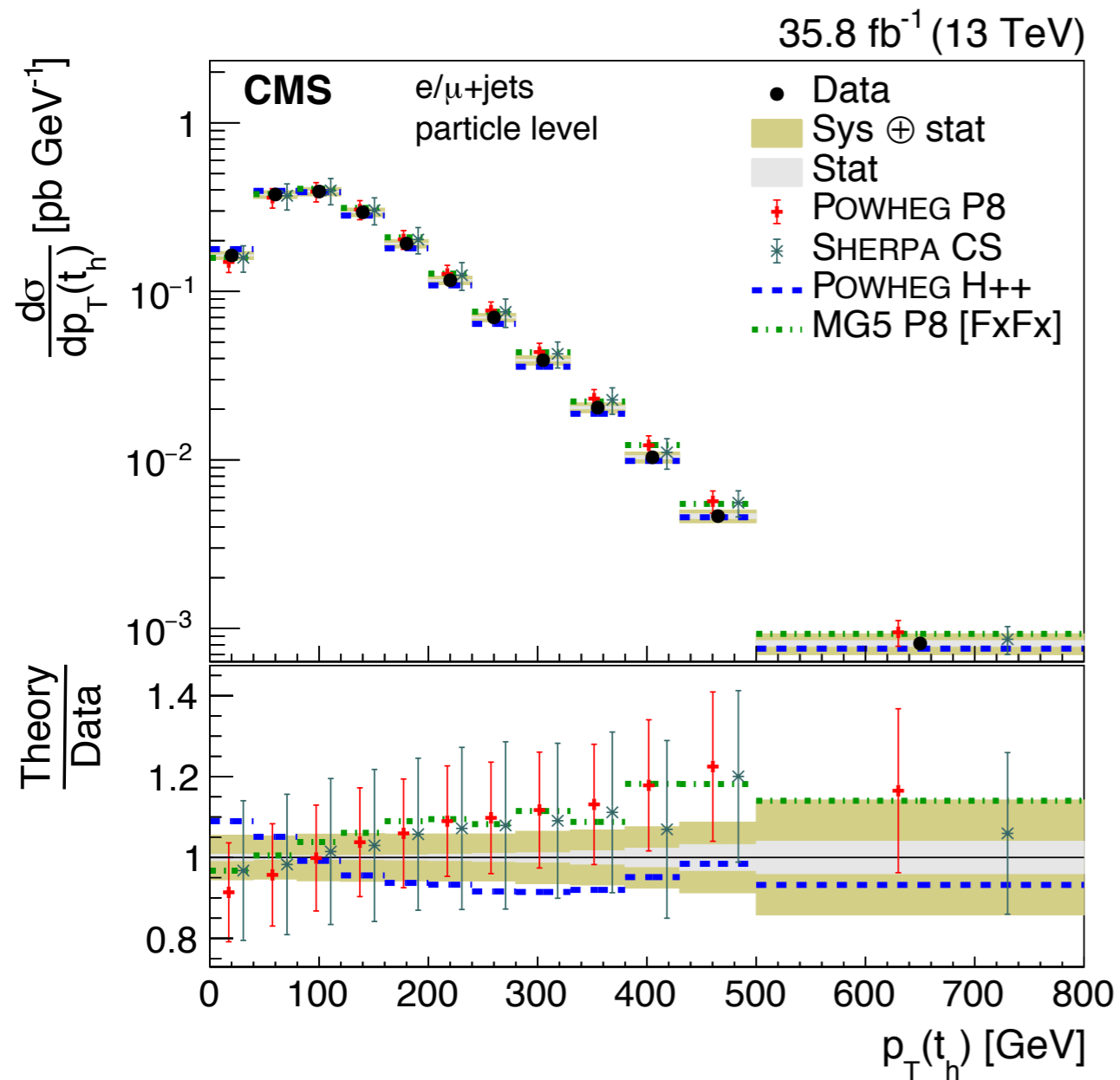
◆ PDF fits  
(gluon PDF at large x)

e.g. [Czakon, Mangano, Mitov, Rojo '13]

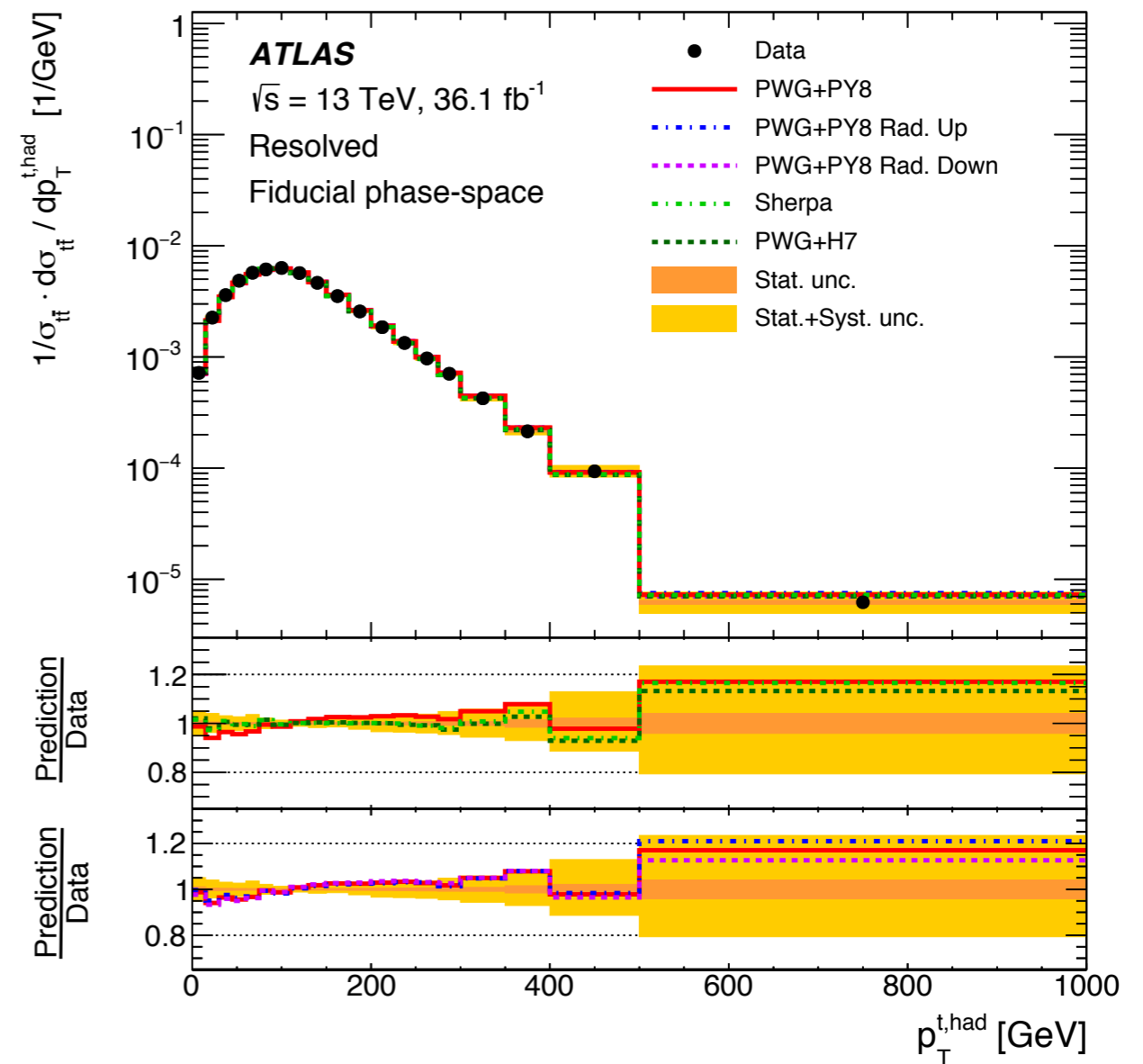


# Data/Theory differences in $t\bar{t}$ at LHC

[CMS PRD 97 (2018) | 12003]



[ATLAS EPJC 79 (2019) | 1028]



# Theory predictions

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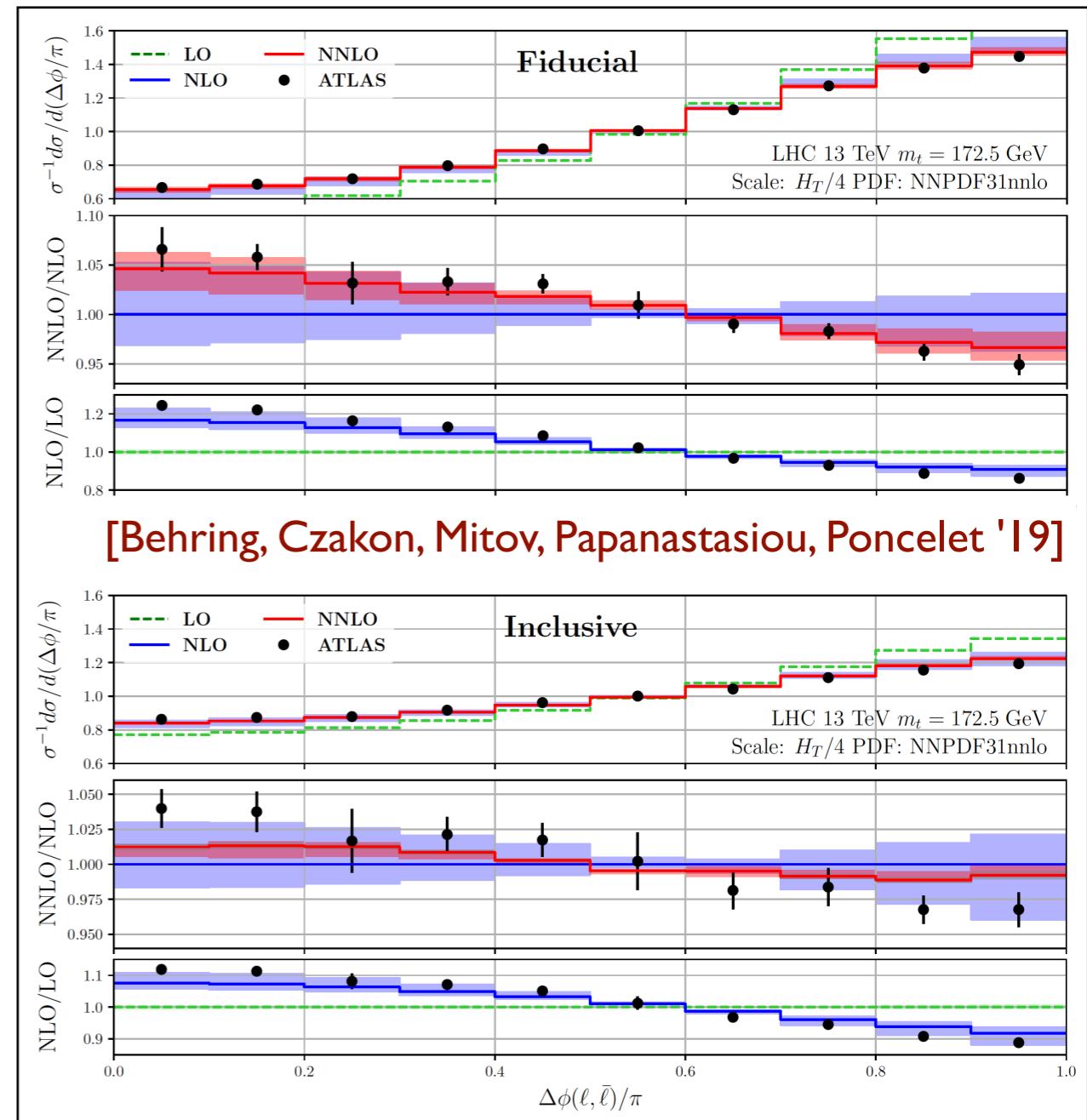
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**known for almost 10 years !**  
**→ yet  $t\bar{t}$  NNLO+PS only now**

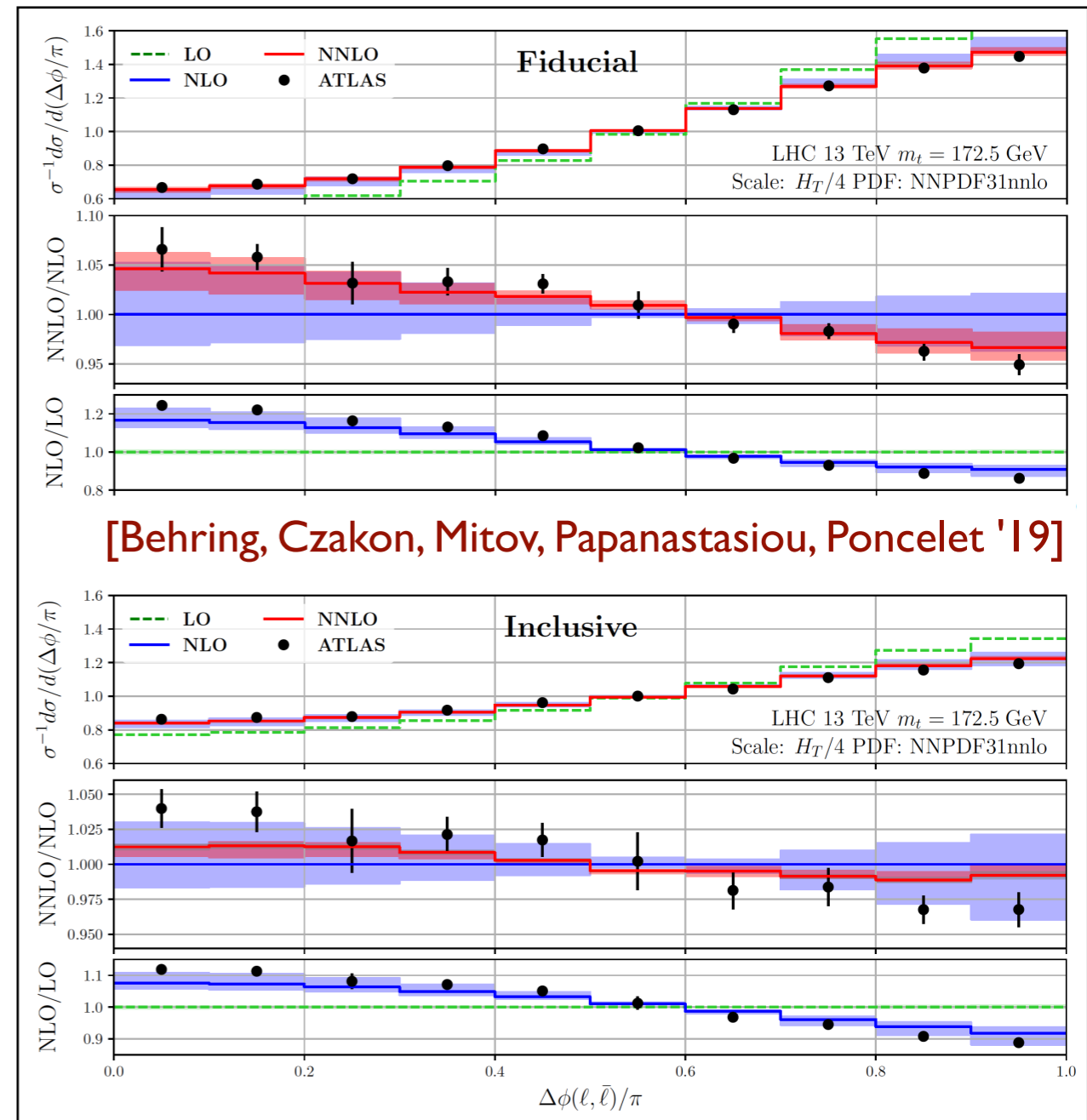
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[Behring, Czakon, Mitov, Papanastasiou, Poncelet '19]

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## This talk:

- ★ NNLO+PS for colour singlets
  - ❖ MiNNLO<sub>PS</sub> formalism
  - ❖ some examples
- ★ NNLO+PS for heavy quarks
  - ❖ complications & formalism
  - ❖ results

# NNLO+PS

◆ seminal approaches for NLO+PS many years ago (POWHEG, MC@NLO)

◆ first NNLO+PS for simple  $2 \rightarrow 1$  processes

❖ **MiNLO+reweighting** [Hamilton, Nason, Zanderighi '12, + Re '13],  
[Karlberg, Hamilton, Zanderighi '14]

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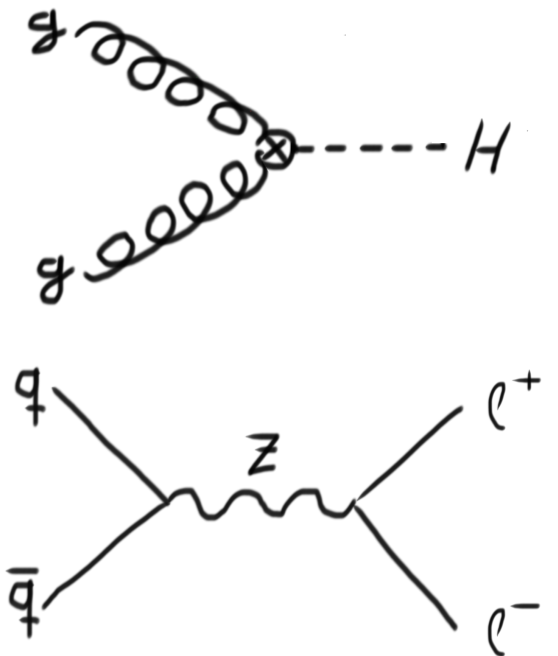
◆ **MiNNLO<sub>PS</sub>**: new approach with enormous potential

[Monni, Nason, Re, MW, Zanderighi '19], [Monni, Re, MW '20]

❖ physically sound (no new unphysical scale)

❖ applicable beyond  $2 \rightarrow 1$  processes (even beyond colour-singlet)

❖ numerically efficient





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(very symbolic/simplified)

$$d\sigma_F^{\text{MiNNLO}} \sim e^{-S} \left\{ \underbrace{d\sigma_{FJ}^{(1)}}_{\sim \alpha_s(p_T)} \left( 1 + S^{(1)} \right) + \underbrace{d\sigma_{FJ}^{(2)}}_{\sim \alpha_s^2(p_T)} + \underbrace{\left( D - D^{(1)} - D^{(2)} \right)}_{\sim \alpha_s^3(p_T)} + \text{regular} \right\}$$

↘  $D^{(3)} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^4)$

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**MiNLO**

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**NNLO correction**

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◆ NNLO+PS by constructing POWHEG weight ( $\bar{B}$  function) using MiNNLO:

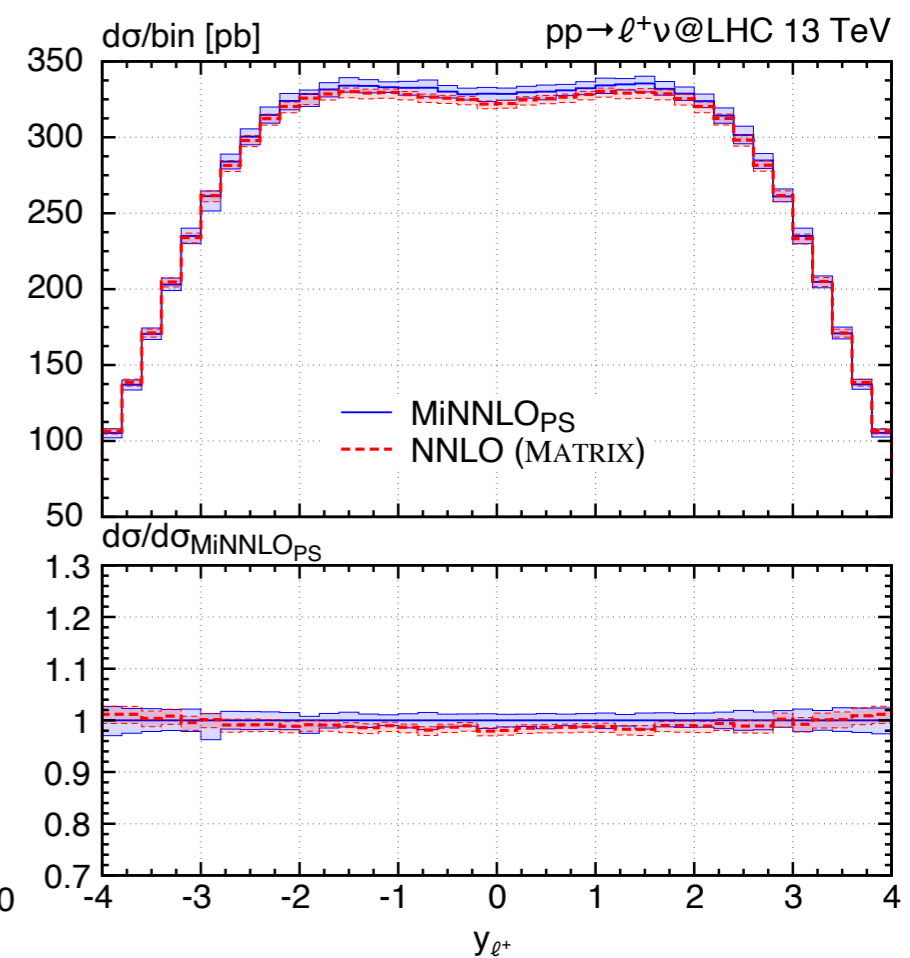
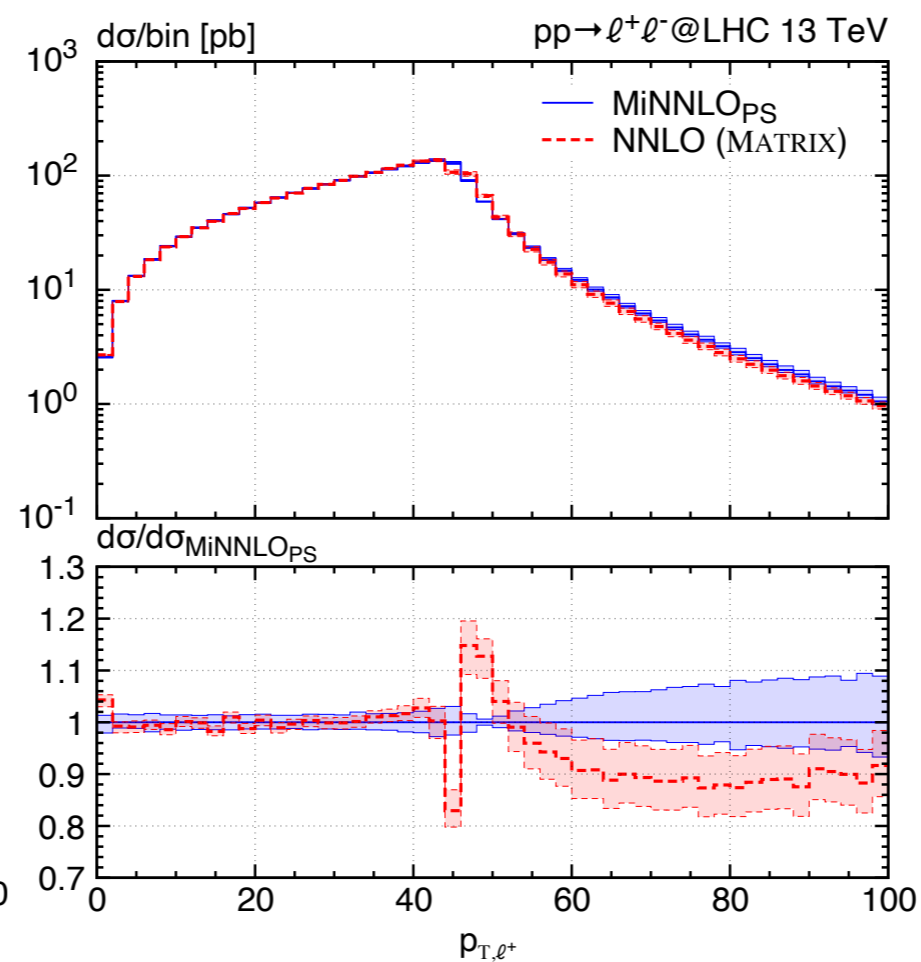
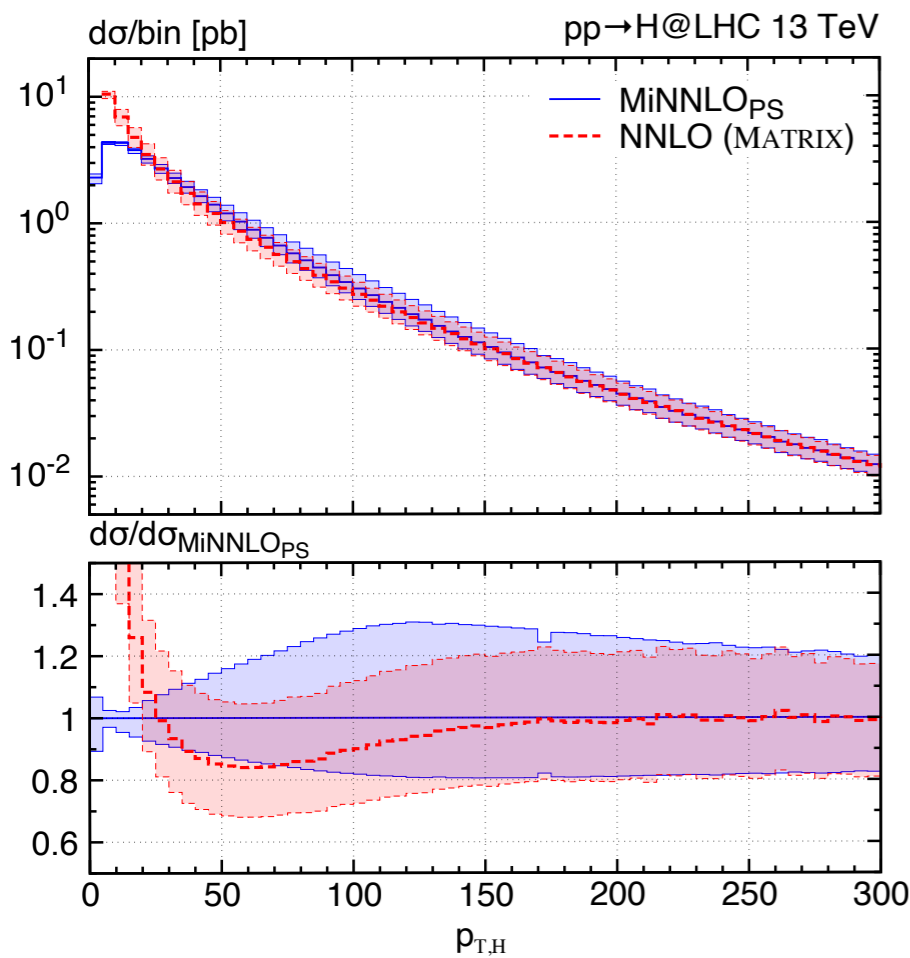
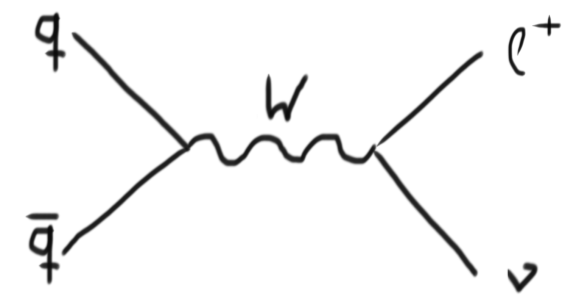
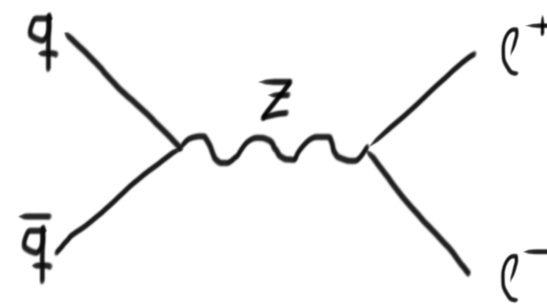
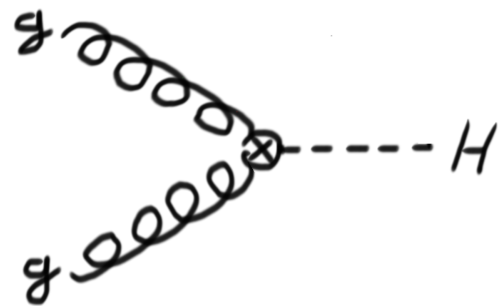
$$d\sigma_F^{\text{MiNNLO}_{\text{PS}}} = \bar{B}^{\text{MiNNLO}_{\text{PS}}} \times \left\{ \Delta_{\text{pwg}}(\Lambda_{\text{pwg}}) + \int d\Phi_{\text{rad}} \Delta_{\text{pwg}}(p_{T,\text{rad}}) \frac{R_{FJ}}{B_{FJ}} \right\}$$

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→ spreads NNLO corrections in the  $F$  + jet phase space

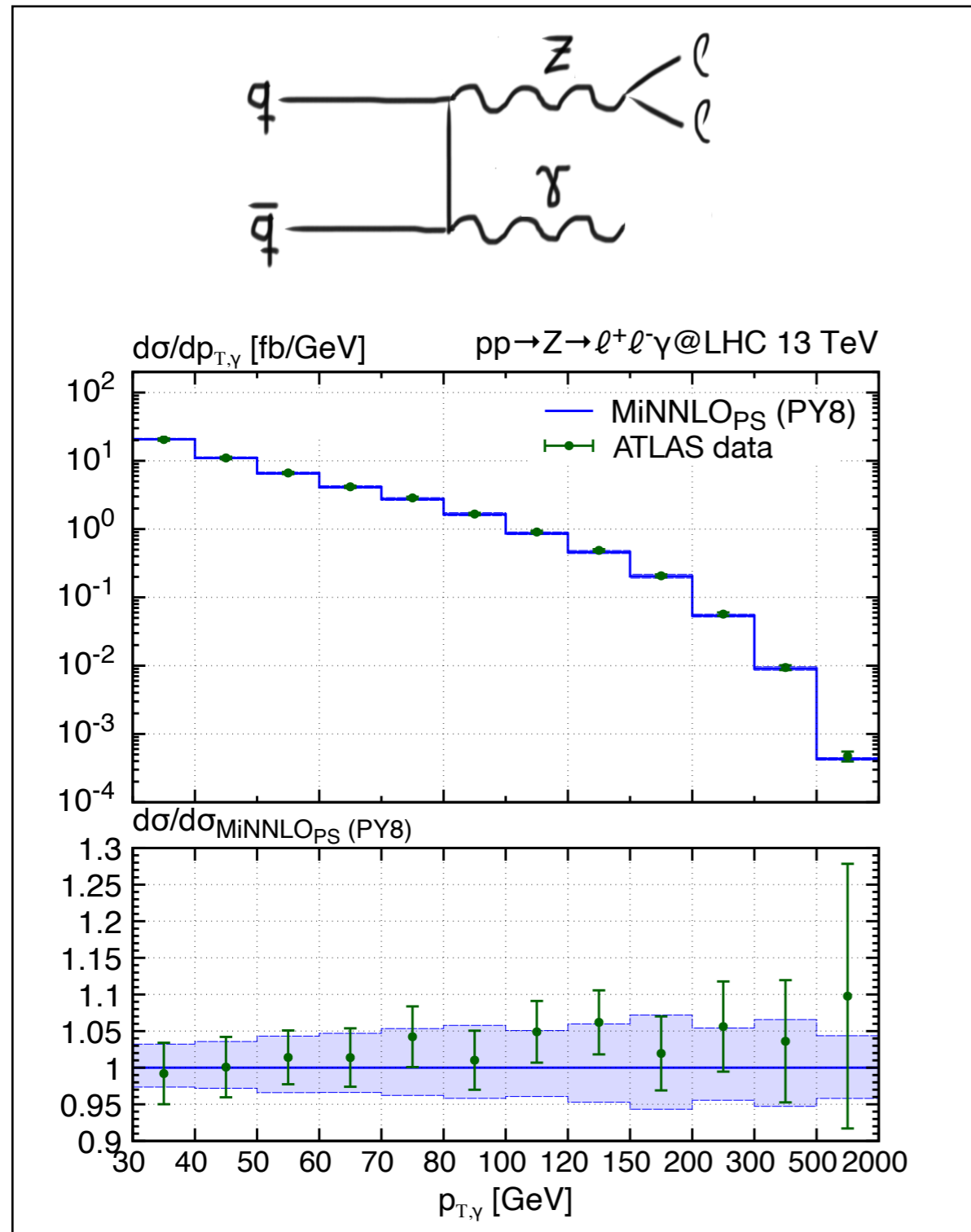
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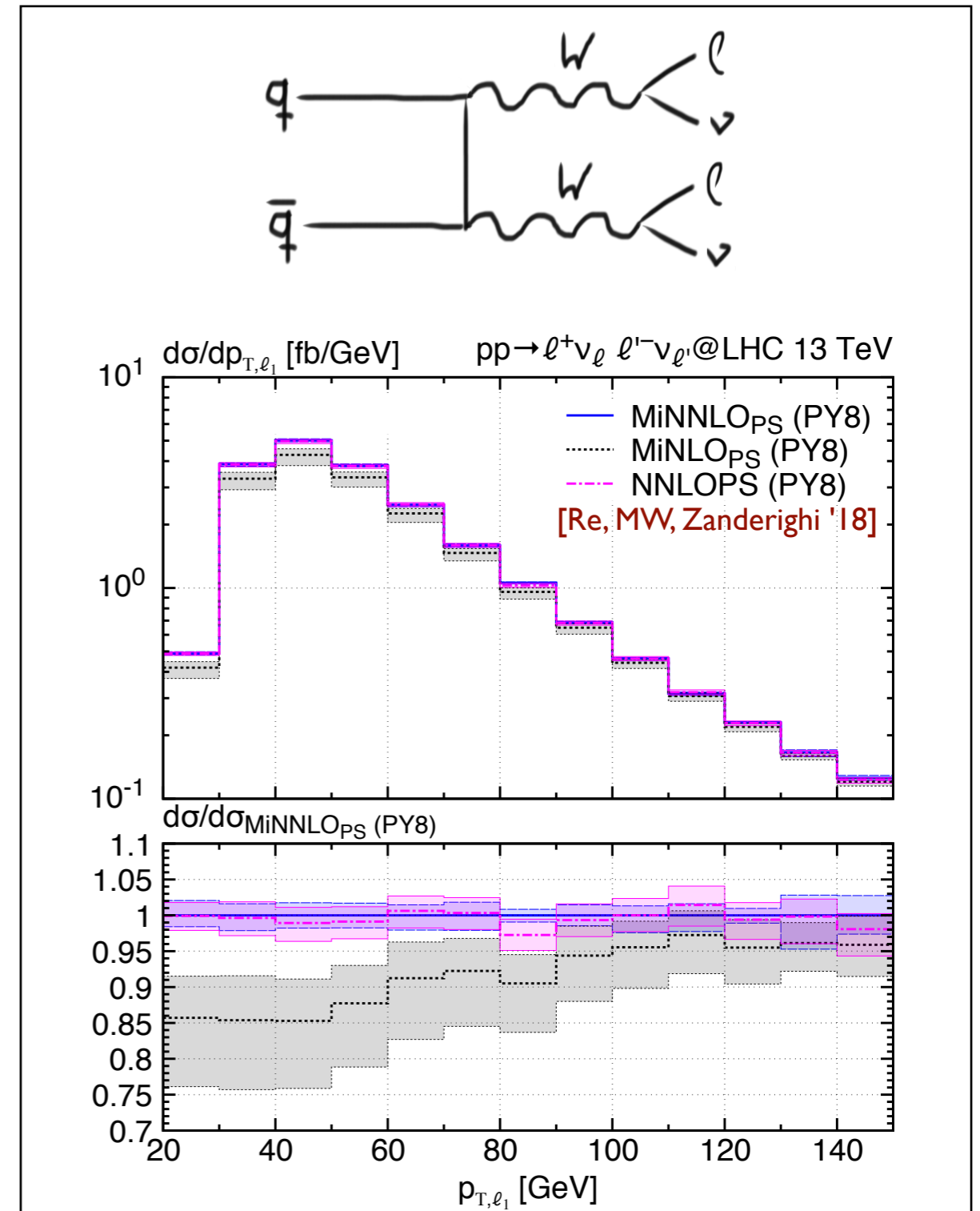


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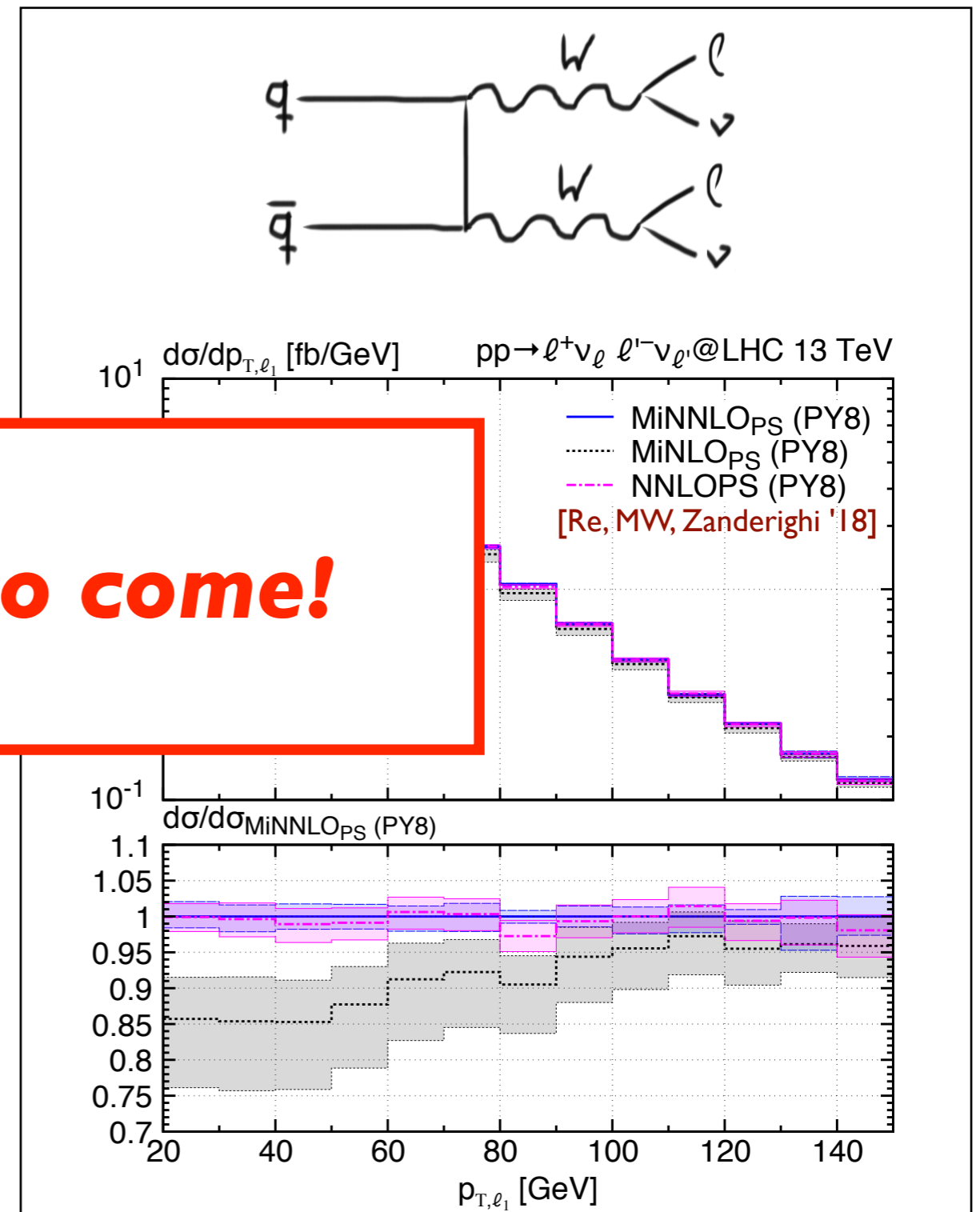
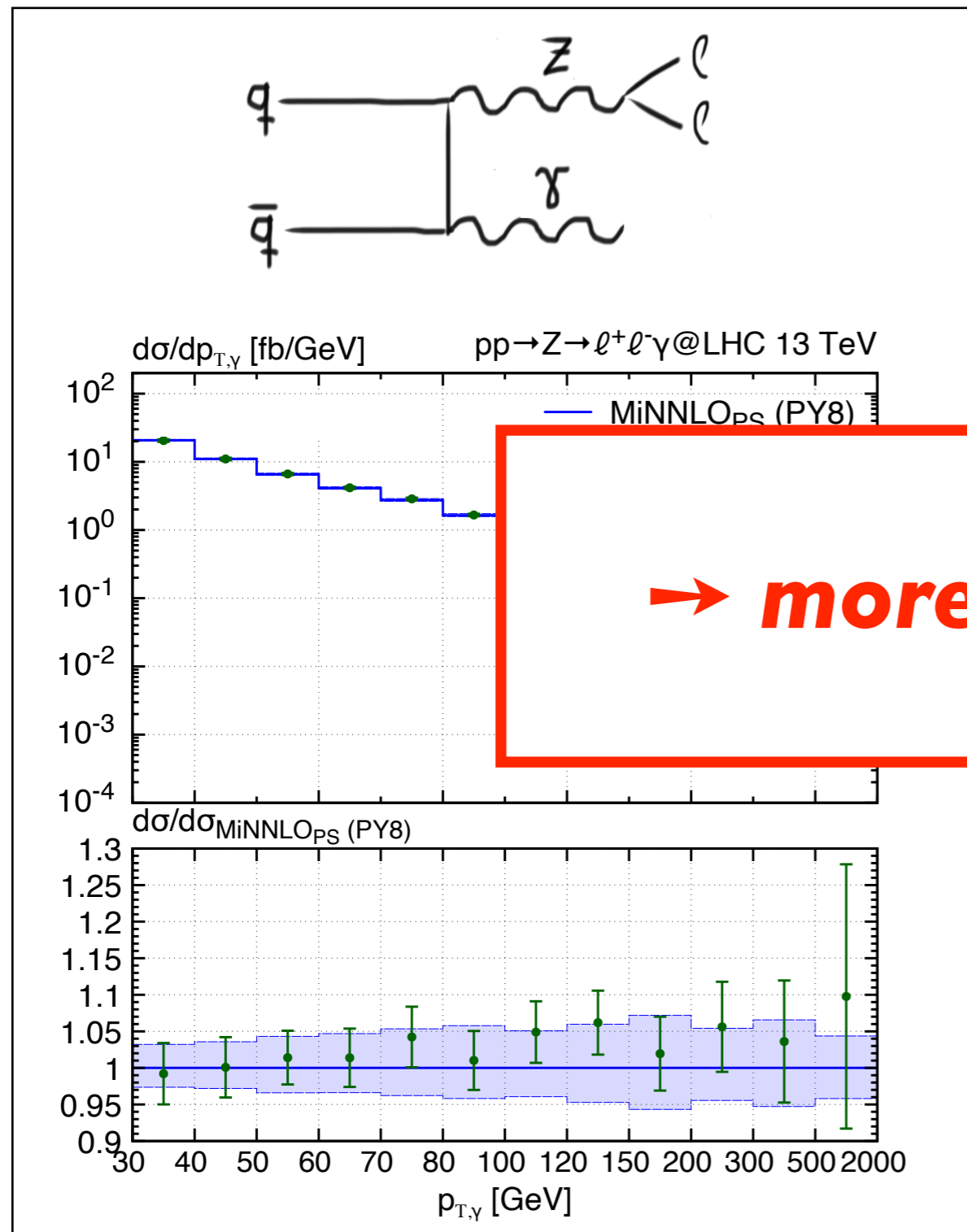




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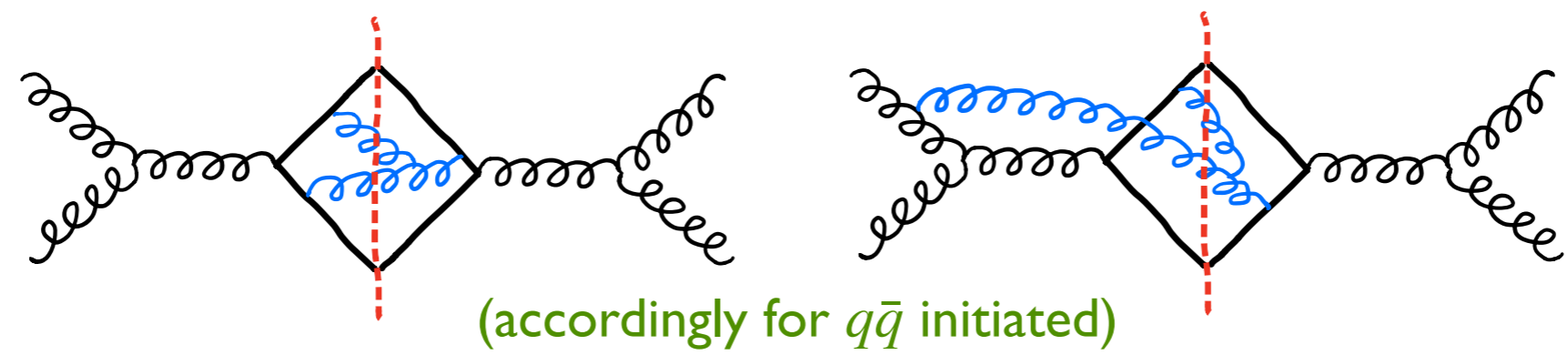
**→ more to come!**

# MiNNLO<sub>PS</sub> for heavy quarks



[Mazzitelli, Monni, Nason, Re, MW, Zanderighi '20]

◆ substantial complication due to final-state radiation and interferences



◆ compare resummation formulas (very schematic):

colour singlet: 
$$d\sigma_{\text{res}}^F \sim \frac{d}{dp_T} \left\{ e^{-S} \quad \mathbf{H} \quad (C \otimes f) (C \otimes f) \right\}$$

heavy quark pair: 
$$d\sigma_{\text{res}}^F \sim \frac{d}{dp_T} \left\{ e^{-S} \quad \text{Tr}(\mathbf{H}\Delta) \quad (C \otimes f) (C \otimes f) \right\}$$

Δ: operator/matrix in colour space that encodes soft emissions of  $t\bar{t}$  and interferences

[Catani, Grazzini, Torre '14]

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'B-type' correction to Sudakov  
matrix in colour space

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## ◆ approximations keeping NNLO and (N)LL

❖ azimuthal average with  $[\mathbf{D}]_\phi = 1 \rightarrow$  modifies  $H \rightarrow \bar{H}$  and  $(C \otimes f) \rightarrow \overline{(C \otimes f)}$  at  $\alpha_s^2$   
see [Catani, Devoto, Grazzini, Kallweit, Mazzitelli, Sargsyan '19]

❖  $\langle M | \Delta | M \rangle \approx \underbrace{\langle M | M \rangle}_{=H} \frac{\langle M^{(0)} | \Delta | M^{(0)} \rangle}{\langle M^{(0)} | M^{(0)} \rangle}$  ← re-absorb mistake at NNLO in  $B^{(2)}$

❖ expand  $\mathbf{V} = \underbrace{\exp \left\{ - \int \frac{dq^2}{q^2} \frac{\alpha_s(q)}{2\pi} \Gamma_t^{(1)} \right\}}_{\equiv \mathbf{V}_{\text{NLL}}} \times \left( 1 - \int \frac{dq^2}{q^2} \frac{\alpha_s^2(q)}{(2\pi)^2} \Gamma_t^{(2)} \right) + \mathcal{O}(\text{N}^3\text{LL})$  ← re-absorb in  $B^{(2)}$  coefficient

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$$\left( \text{reminder: } \mathbf{V}_{\text{NLL}} \equiv \exp \left\{ - \int \frac{dq^2}{q^2} \frac{\alpha_s(q)}{2\pi} \mathbf{\Gamma}_t^{(1)} \right\} \right)$$

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$$\tilde{B}^{(2)} = B^{(2)} + \frac{\langle M^{(0)} | \mathbf{\Gamma}^{(2)\dagger} + \mathbf{\Gamma}^{(2)} | M^{(0)} \rangle}{\langle M^{(0)} | M^{(0)} \rangle} + \frac{2 \text{Re} \{ \langle M^{(1)} | \mathbf{\Gamma}^{(1)\dagger} + \mathbf{\Gamma}^{(1)} | M^{(0)} \rangle \}}{\langle M^{(0)} | M^{(0)} \rangle} - \frac{2 \langle M^{(0)} | \mathbf{\Gamma}^{(1)\dagger} + \mathbf{\Gamma}^{(1)} | M^{(0)} \rangle \text{Re} \{ \langle M^{(1)} | M^{(0)} \rangle \}}{\langle M^{(0)} | M^{(0)} \rangle^2}$$

$$\text{and } e^{-S} \langle M | \Delta | M \rangle = e^{-\tilde{S}} \frac{\langle M^{(0)} | \mathbf{V}_{\text{NLL}}^\dagger \mathbf{V}_{\text{NLL}} | M^{(0)} \rangle}{\langle M^{(0)} | M^{(0)} \rangle} H + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^5)$$

use basis  $|M^{(0)}\rangle$  where  $\mathbf{\Gamma}^{(1)}$  diagonal

$$= \sum_{i \in \text{colours}} c_i \underbrace{e^{-\tilde{S} + S_i}}_{\equiv e^{\bar{S}_i}} \leftarrow \text{eigenvalues of } \mathbf{V}_{\text{NLL}}^\dagger \mathbf{V}_{\text{NLL}} \text{ exponent}$$

$$\left( \text{reminder: } \mathbf{V}_{\text{NLL}} \equiv \exp \left\{ - \int \frac{dq^2}{q^2} \frac{\alpha_s(q)}{2\pi} \mathbf{\Gamma}_t^{(1)} \right\} \right)$$

# MiNNLO<sub>PS</sub> for heavy quarks

[Mazzitelli, Monni, Nason, Re, MW, Zanderighi '20]

$$d\sigma_{\text{res}}^F \sim \frac{d}{dp_T} \left\{ e^{-S} \text{Tr}(\mathbf{H}\Delta) (C \otimes f) (C \otimes f) \right\}$$

## MiNNLO<sub>PS</sub> for colour singlets

[Monni, Nason, Re, MW, Zanderighi '19], [Monni, Re, MW '20]

starting equation:

$$\mathcal{L} \sim H(C \otimes f)(C \otimes f)$$

$$\frac{d\sigma_F^{\text{res}}}{dp_T d\Phi_B} = \frac{d}{dp_T} \left\{ e^{-S} \mathcal{L} \right\} = e^{-S} \underbrace{\left\{ S' \mathcal{L} + \mathcal{L}' \right\}}_{\equiv D}$$

and  $e^{-S} \langle M | \Delta | M \rangle = e^{-\tilde{S}} \frac{\langle M^{(0)} | \mathbf{V}_{\text{NLL}}^\dagger \mathbf{V}_{\text{NLL}} | M^{(0)} \rangle}{\langle M^{(0)} | M^{(0)} \rangle} H + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^5)$

**simplified to sum of terms with same structure as starting formula for colour singlet case**

$$\Rightarrow d\sigma_{\text{res}}^F \sim \frac{d}{dp_T} \left\{ \sum_{i \in \text{colours}} e^{-\bar{S}_i} c_i \underbrace{\bar{H} \overline{(C \otimes f)} \overline{(C \otimes f)}}_{\equiv \bar{\mathcal{L}}_i} \right\} + \text{terms beyond NNLO \& (N)LL}$$

$$^{(2)} \log(M/q) + B^{(2)} + \dots$$

(N)LL) we have:

$$\frac{\Gamma^{(1)\dagger} + \Gamma^{(1)} | M^{(0)} \rangle \text{Re} \{ \langle M^{(1)} | M^{(0)} \rangle \}}{\langle M^{(0)} | M^{(0)} \rangle^2}$$

# Setup for $t\bar{t}$ MiNNLO<sub>PS</sub>

[Mazzitelli, Monni, Nason, Re, MW, Zanderighi '20]

## ◆ scale setting:

❖ overall factor in Born:  $\alpha_s^2(m_{t\bar{t}}/2)$

❖ MiNNLO<sub>PS</sub> scales:  $\mu_R = \mu_F = \frac{m_{t\bar{t}}}{2} e^{-L}$ ,  $Q = \frac{m_{t\bar{t}}}{2}$

(no direct correspondence to fixed-order → differences within uncertainties expected)

❖ 7-point scale variation

(including scales in Sudakov → slightly more conservative than in NNLO)

◆ new modified logarithm: 
$$L = \begin{cases} \log\left(\frac{Q}{p_T}\right) & \text{for } p_T \leq Q/2 \\ 0 & \text{for } p_T \geq Q \end{cases}$$

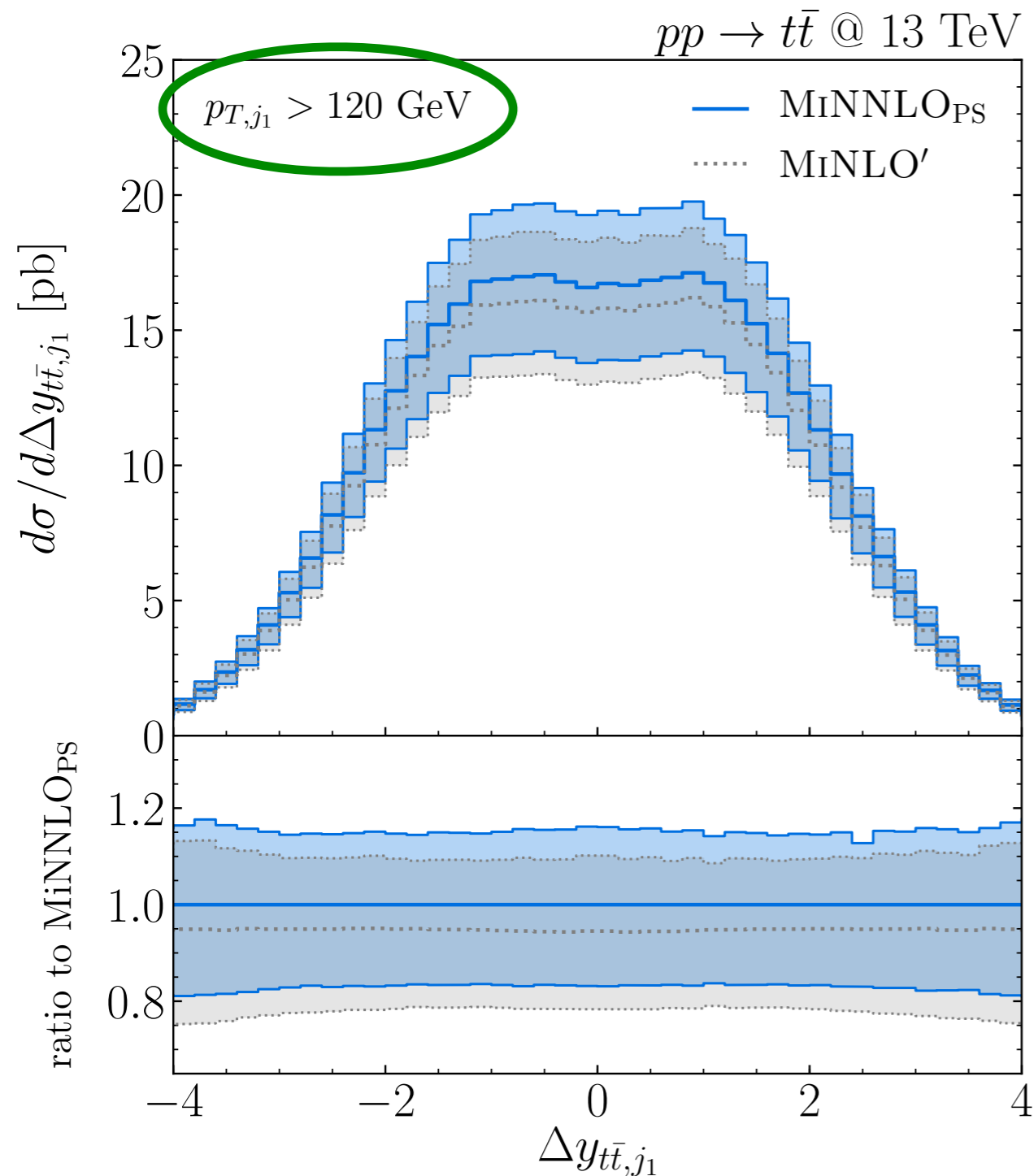
◆ showered with Pythia8, keeping top quarks stable

◆ comparison to data unfolded to inclusive phase space [CMS PRD 97 (2018) 112003]



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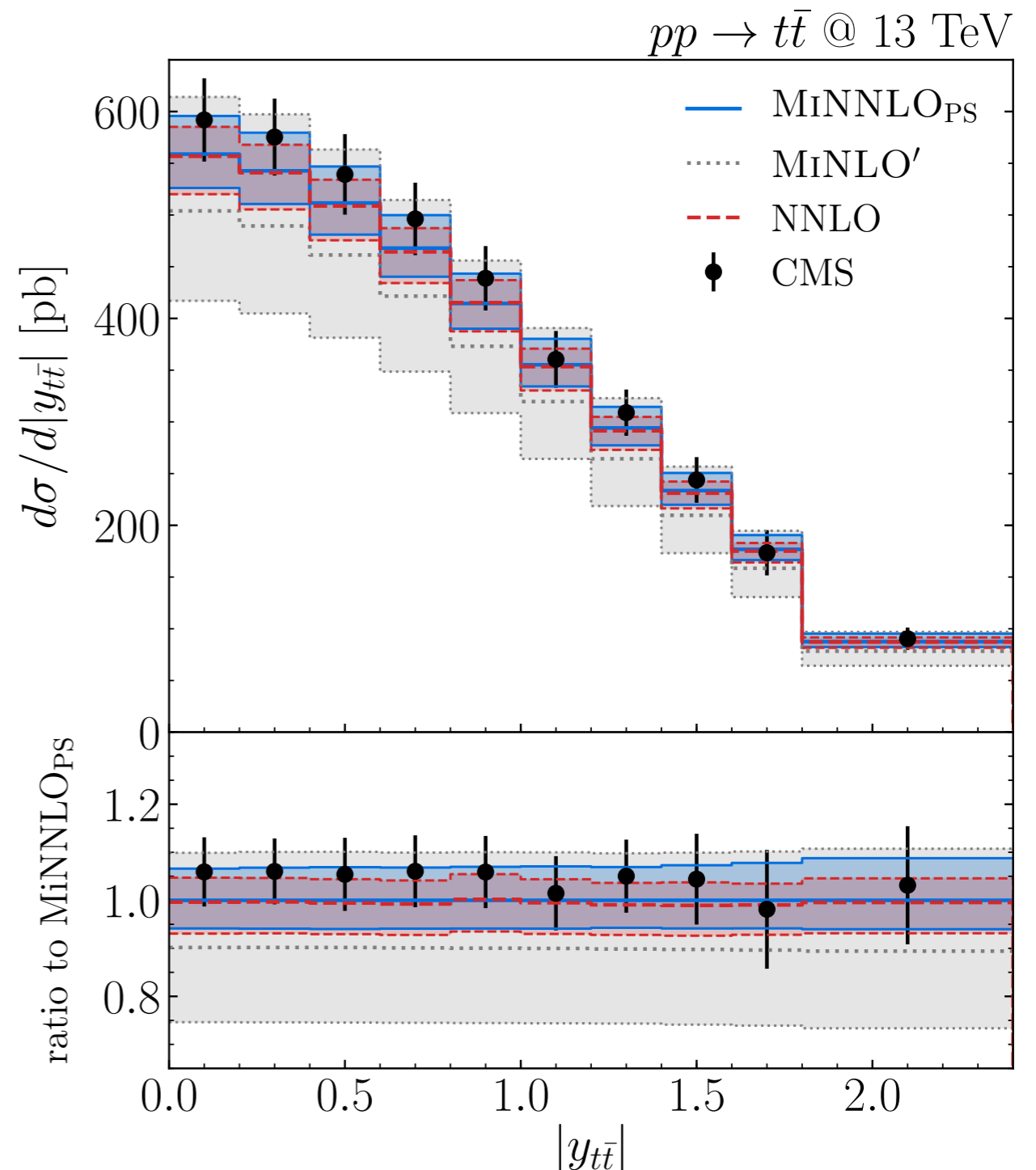
[Mazzitelli, Monni, Nason, Re, MW, Zanderighi '20]

## ◆ total cross section:

MiNLO'	NNLO	MiNNLO <sub>PS</sub>
$695.6(3)^{+22\%}_{-17\%}$ pb	$769.8(9)^{+5.0\%}_{-6.5\%}$ pb	$772.8(3)^{+7.2\%}_{-5.9\%}$ pb

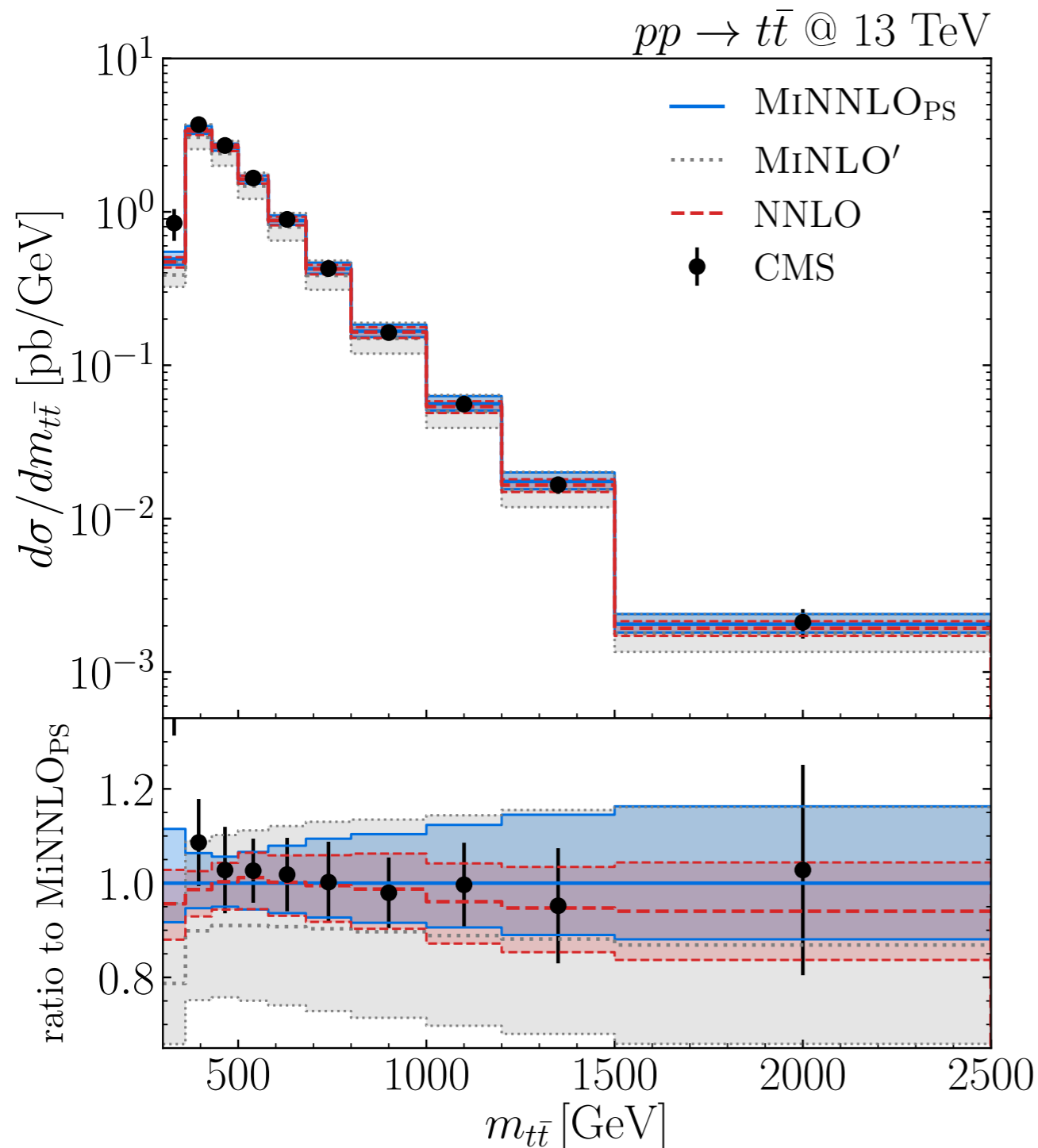
MiNNLO<sub>PS</sub> about 0.4% above NNLO  
(expected due to different scale settings)

- ◆ excellent agreement of MiNNLO<sub>PS</sub> with NNLO for  $t\bar{t}$  rapidity (especially in terms of shape)
- ◆ similar size of scale uncertainties between MiNNLO<sub>PS</sub> and NNLO
- ◆ substantial reduction of scale uncertainties w.r.t. MiNLO'
- ◆ perfect agreement with CMS data



# MiNNLO<sub>PS</sub> for $t\bar{t}$ production

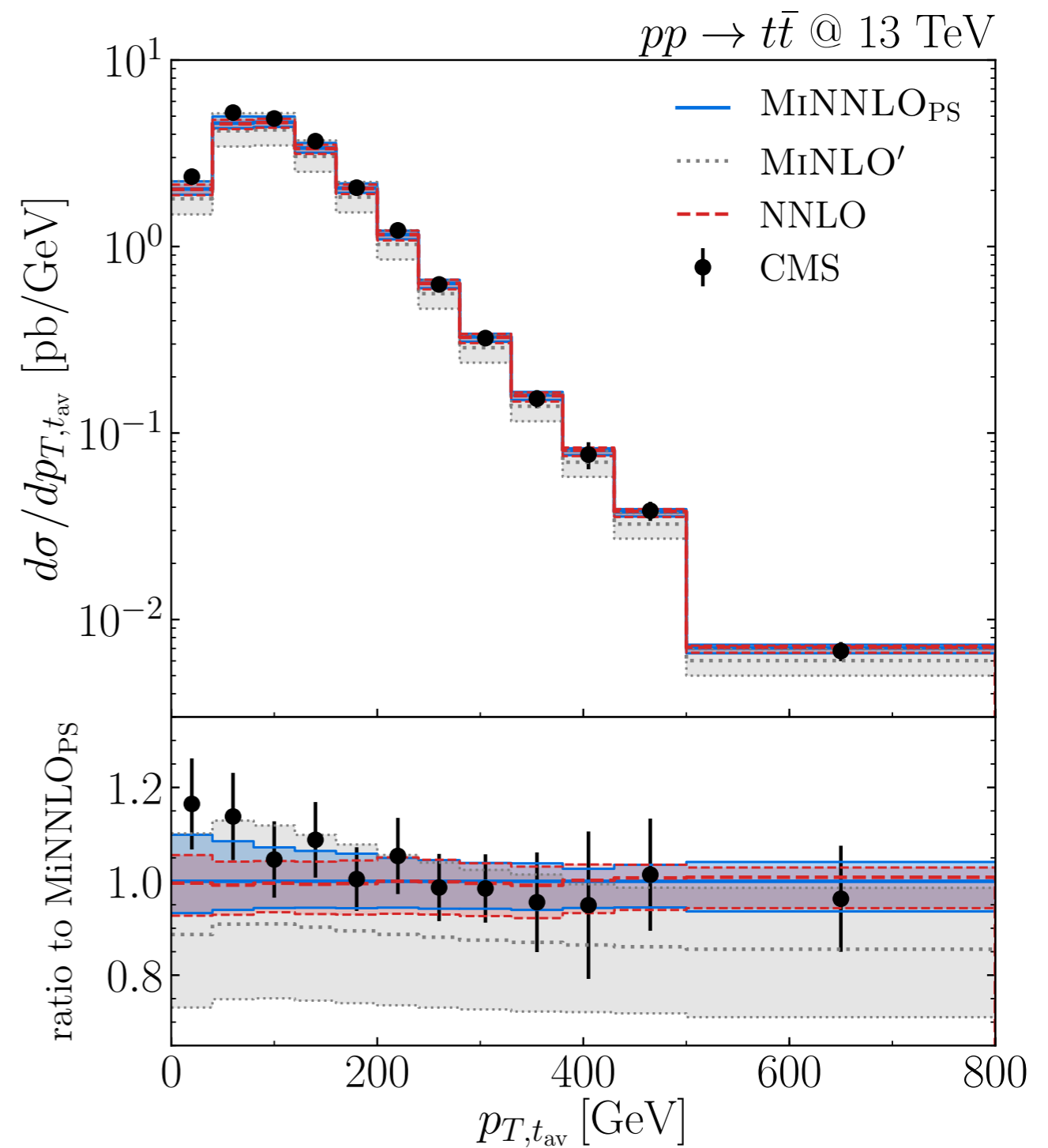
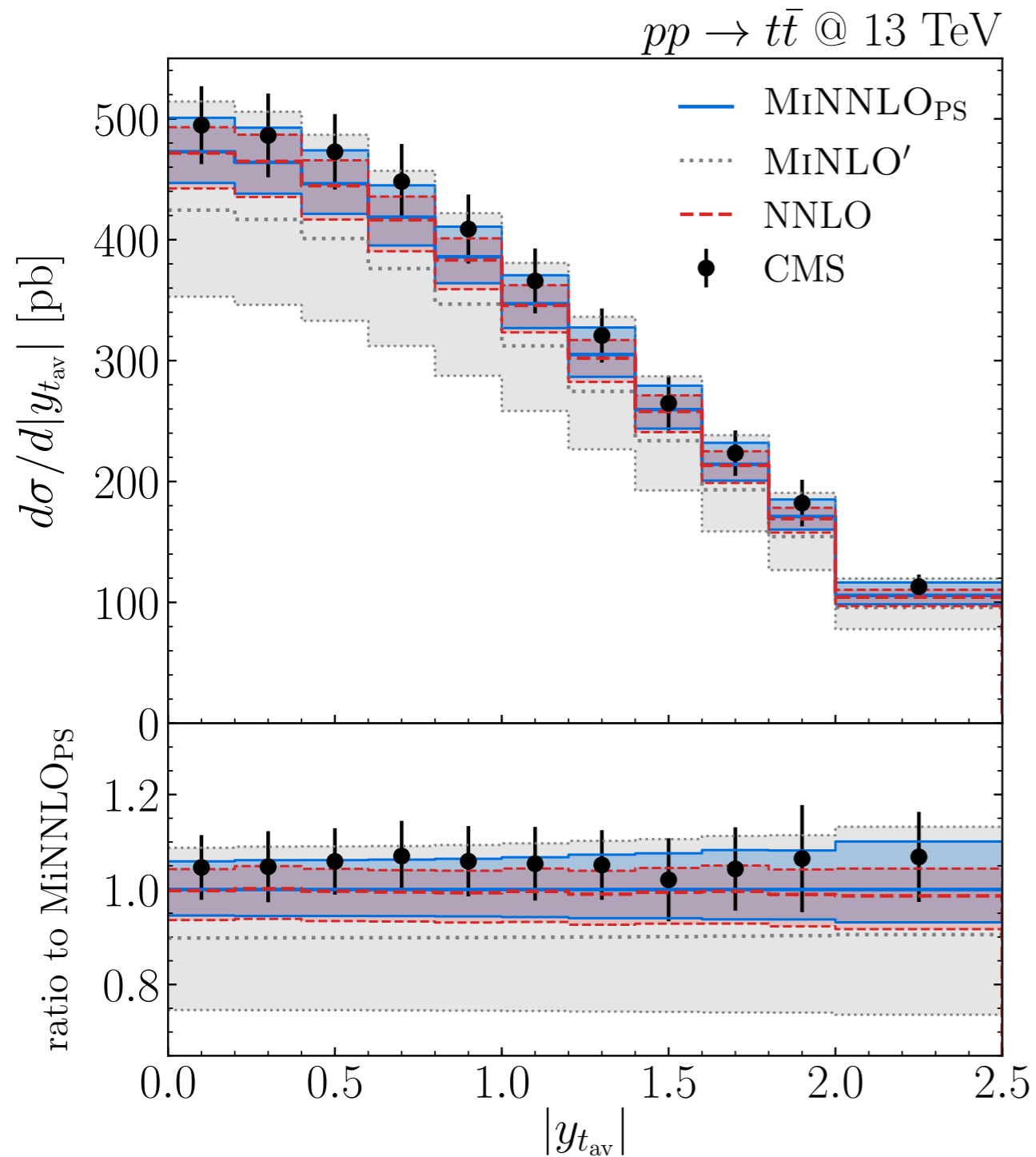
[Mazzitelli, Monni, Nason, Re, MW, Zanderighi '20]



- ◆ good description of measured  $t\bar{t}$  invariant-mass spectrum
- ◆ except for first bin at  $t\bar{t}$  threshold (finite width & non-relativistic effects)
- ◆ MiNNLO<sub>PS</sub> and NNLO compatible within uncertainties
- ◆ slightly different shape (different treatment of higher-order terms)
- ◆ slightly larger uncertainties in tail (reflects additional sources of scale variations)

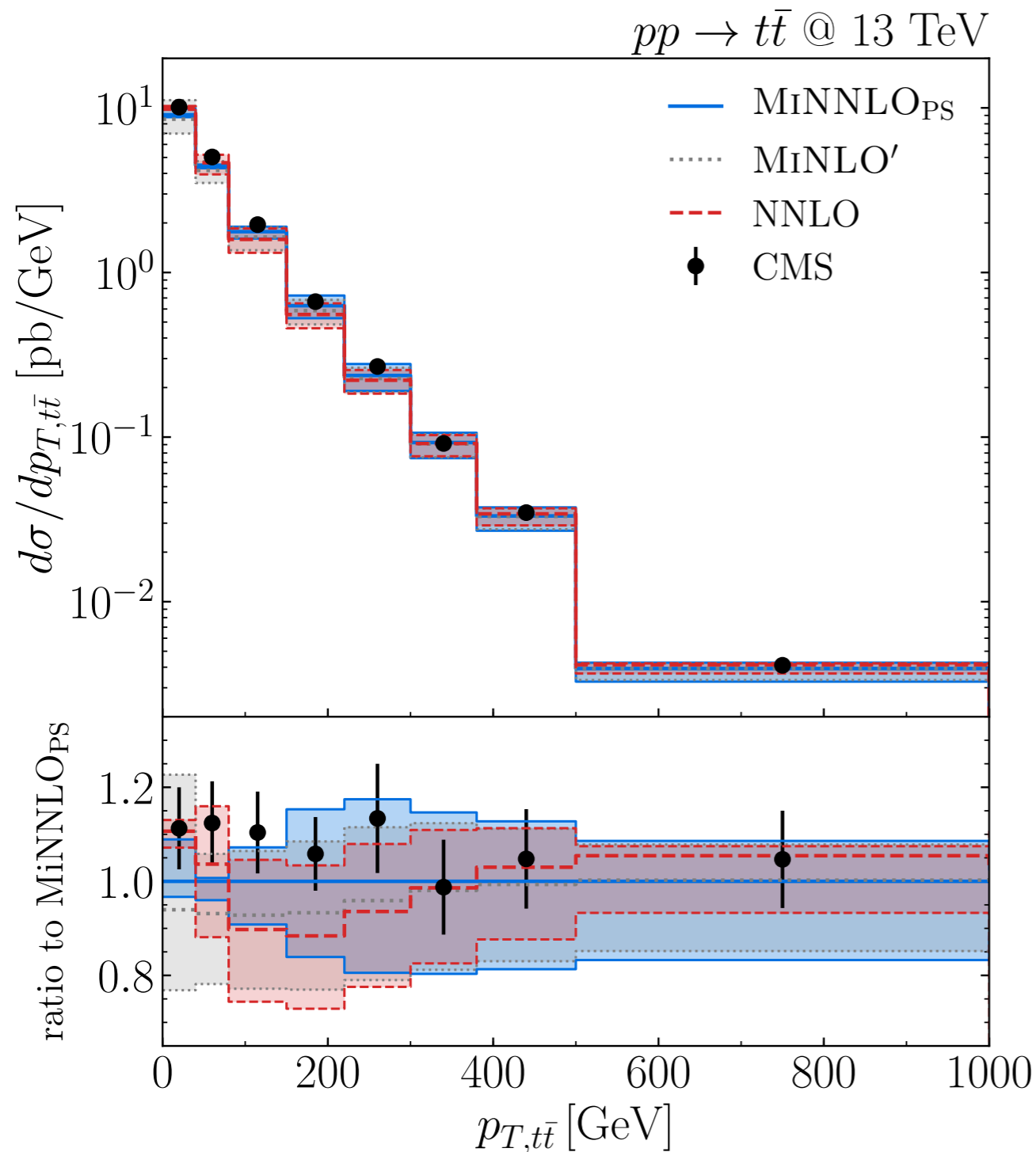
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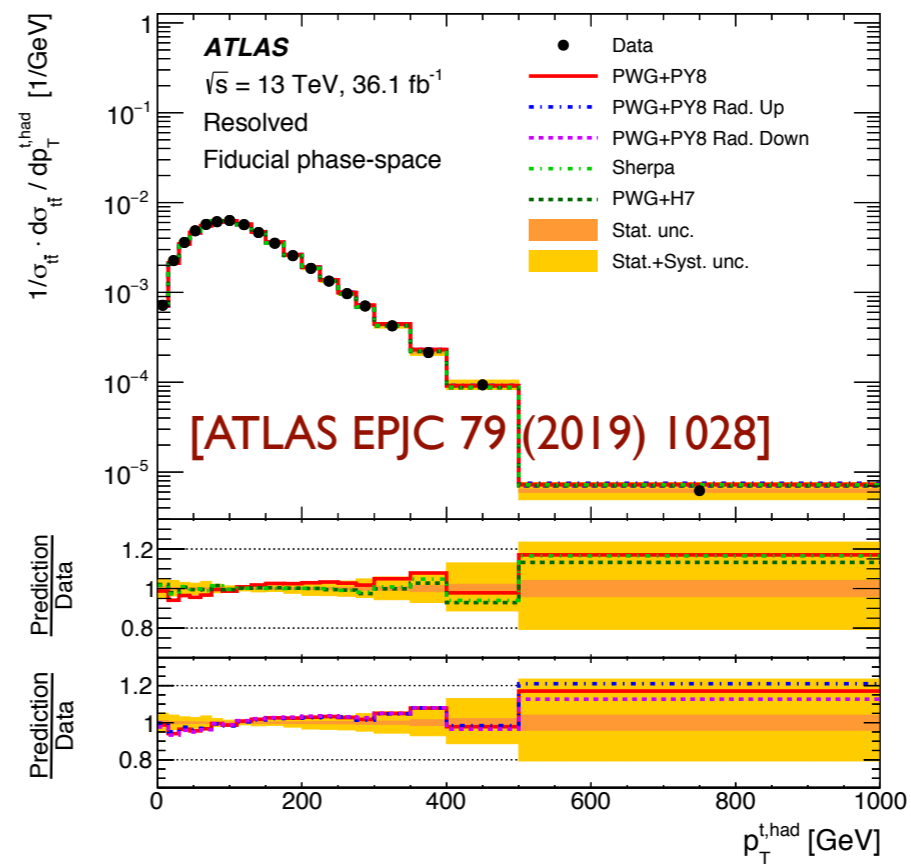
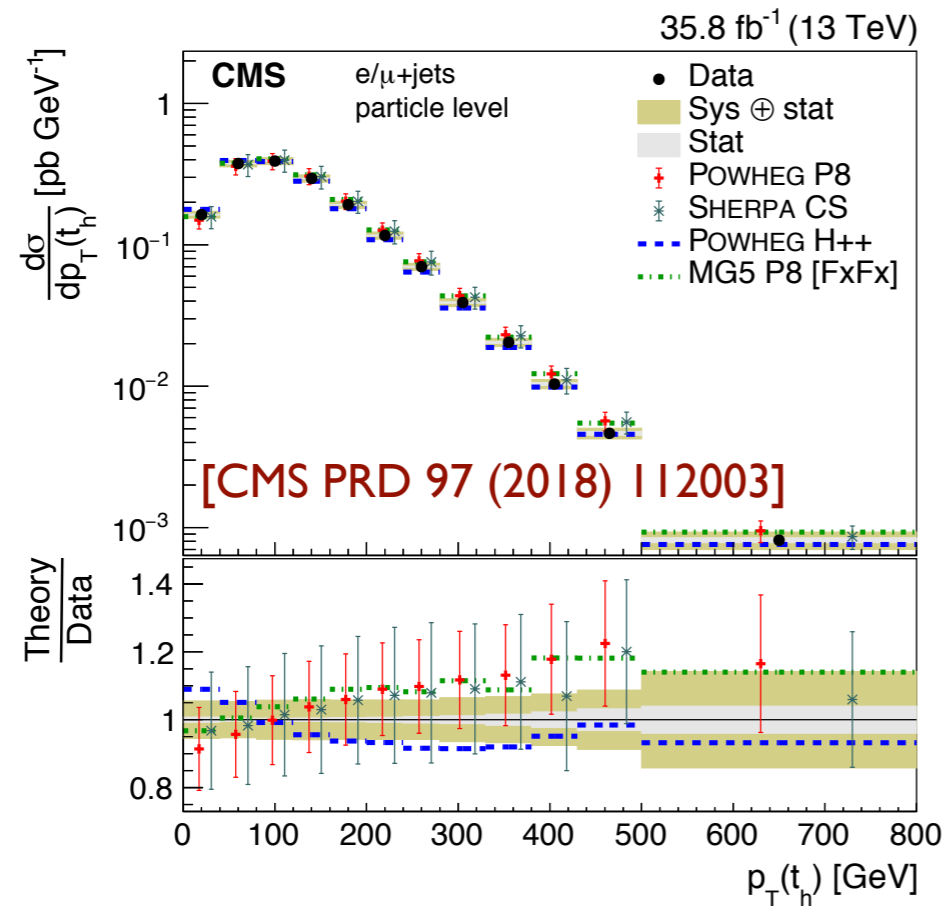
- ◆ NLO accurate at large  $p_T$  and full agreement of MiNNLO<sub>PS</sub> with MiNLO'
- ◆ also here: larger uncertainties in tail reflect additional sources of scale variations
- ◆ fixed-order unphysical at small  $p_T$
- ◆ MiNNLO<sub>PS</sub> improves shape w.r.t. NNLO
- ◆ good description of data (especially in terms of shape!)

# Summary & Outlook

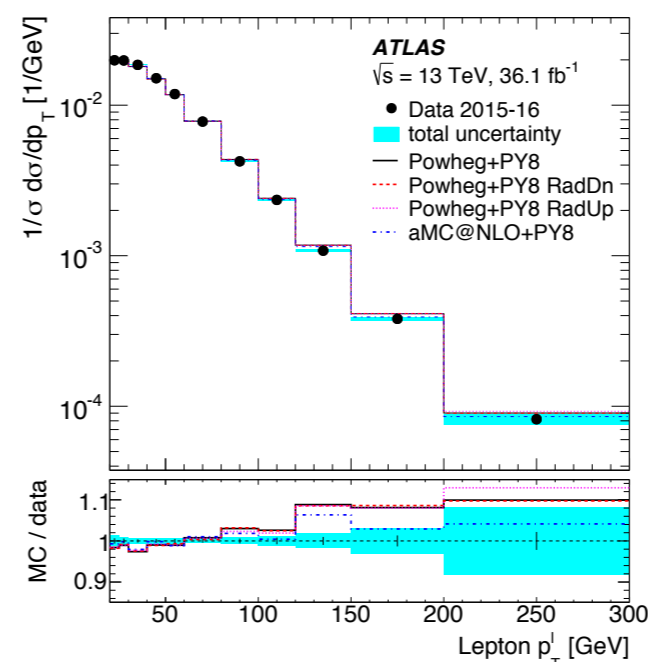
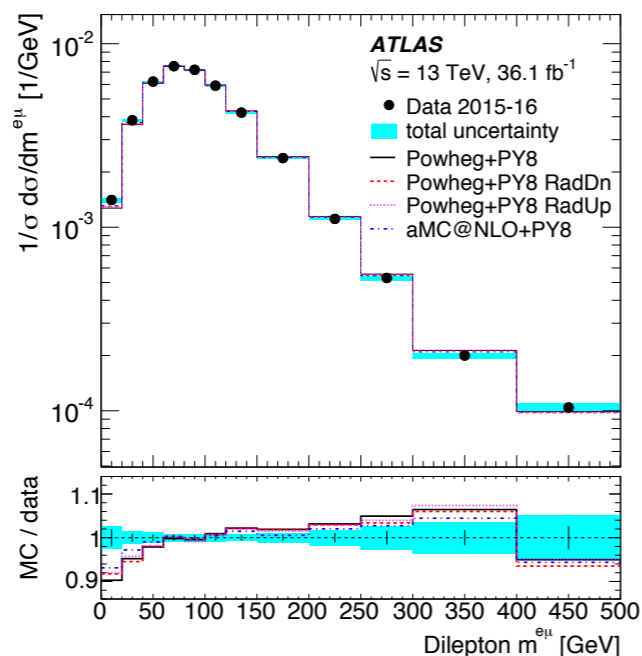
- ★ NNLO+PS becoming available for "all" colour-singlet processes
- ★ First NNLO+PS for coloured final states
- ★ Top-quark pair production (most awaited application) now available!  
(NNLO+PS  $t\bar{t}$  code within POWHEG-BOX-V2)
- ★ opens up new avenues in
  - ❖ studying top quarks
  - ❖ lifting (small) tension in current measurements
  - ❖ considering other processes at NNLO+PS:  $b\bar{b}, F + Q\bar{Q}, \dots$
- ★ consider top decays
  - ❖ through shower (limited perturbative accuracy) + "MadSpin" (fix spin correlations)
  - ❖ more sophisticated: exact NLO+PS & NWA at NNLO (substantial work)

**Back Up**

# Data/Theory differences in $t\bar{t}$ at LHC



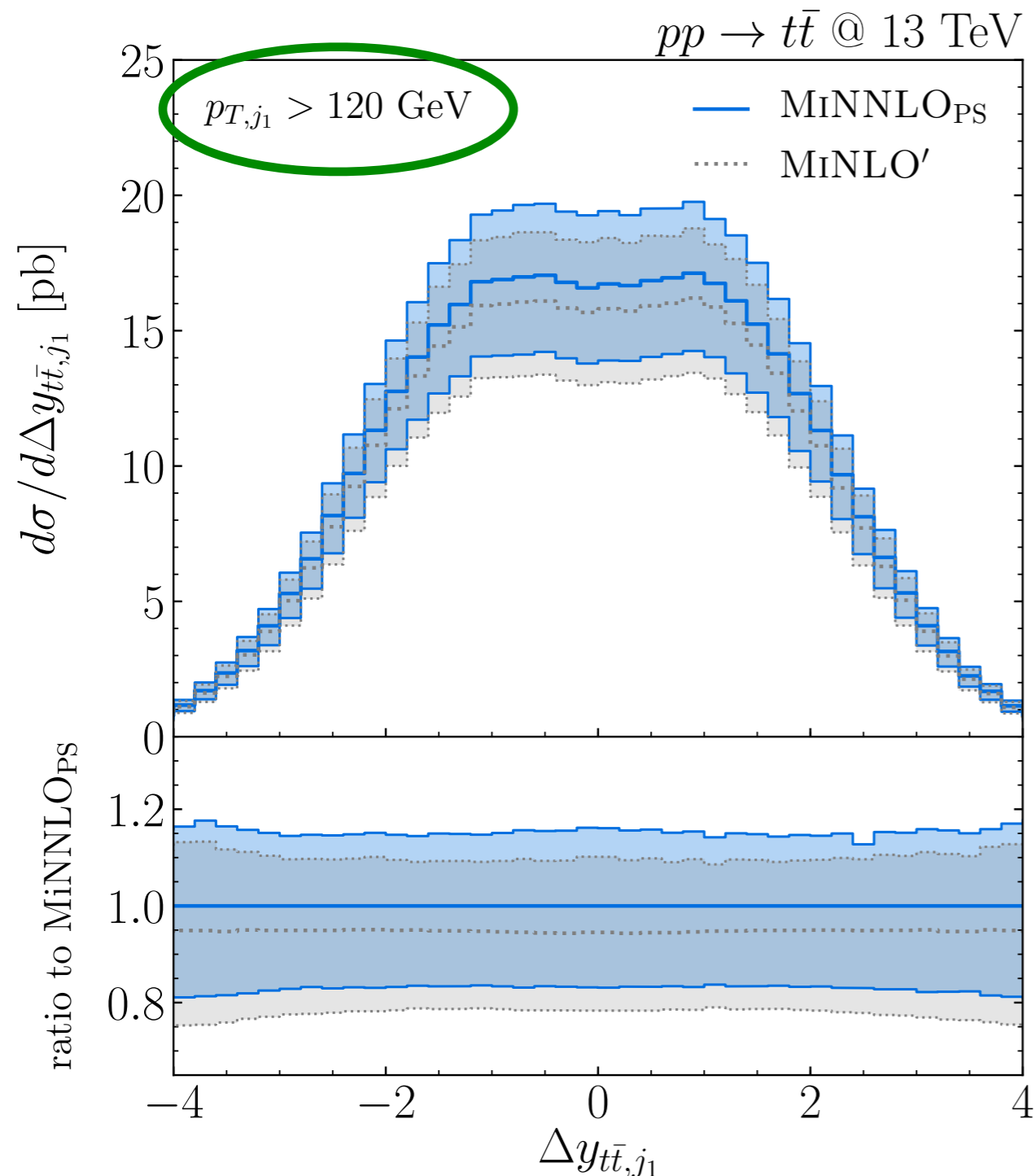
see also: [ATLAS EPJC 80 (2020) 528]





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