

# Jets at the LHC: a fixed order perspective

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# Outline

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→ Jet measurements at the LHC

→ Three jet observables at NNLO QCD

R32 ratios

Event-shapes

→ Flavoured jets

Infrared safe definition of jet flavour?

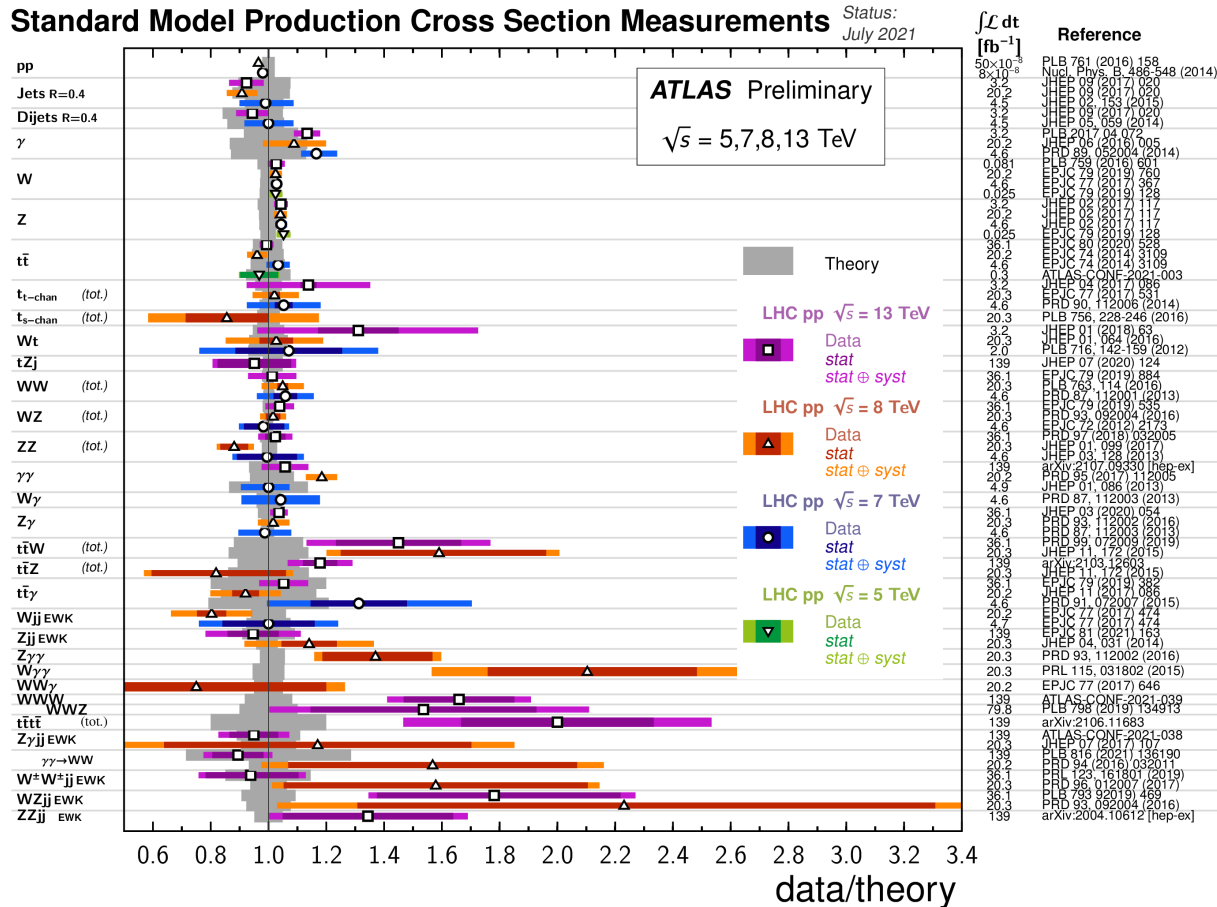
→ New proposal for a flavour safe algorithm.

→ Wrap-up and outlook

# Jet measurements at the LHC

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# SM measurements at the LHC



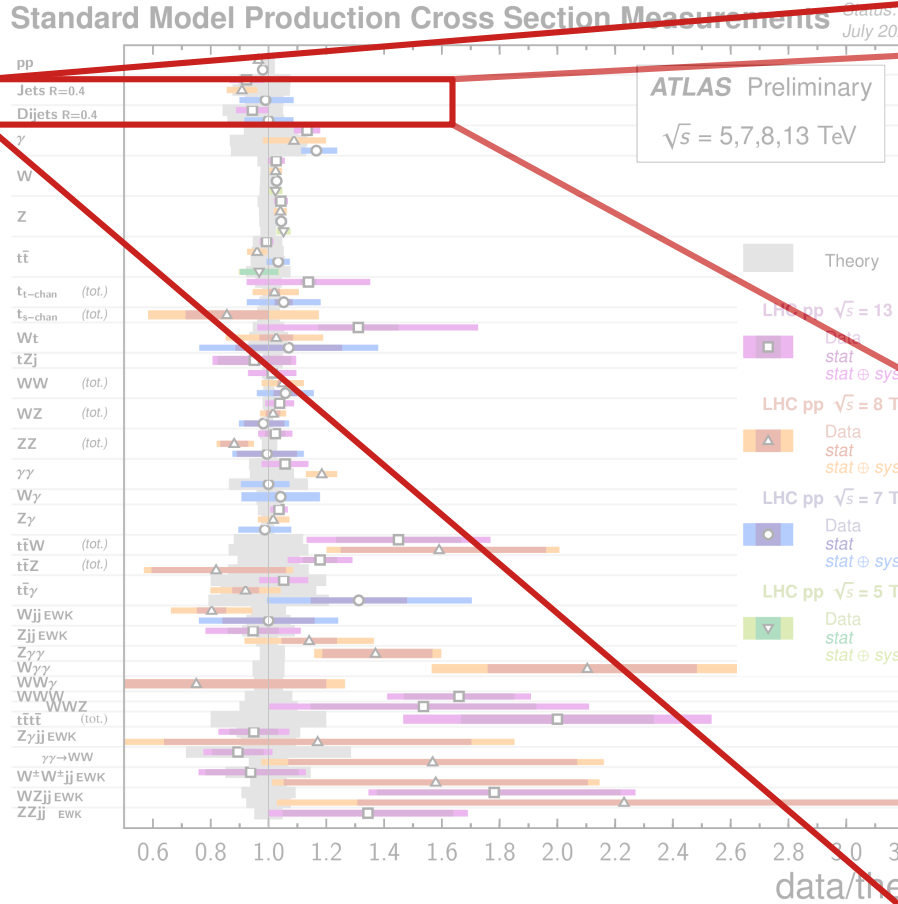
New physics around the corner?

Precise measurements ↔ Precise theory

Win-Win situation

- improved SM understanding
- possible indirect BSM signals

# SM measurements at the LHC



## Inclusive Jet Cross Section Measurements Status: July 2021

### Incl. jet $R=0.6, |y| < 3.0$

- $|y| < 0.5, p_T > 100$  GeV
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- $1.5 < |y| < 2.0, p_T > 100$  GeV
- $2.0 < |y| < 2.5, p_T > 100$  GeV
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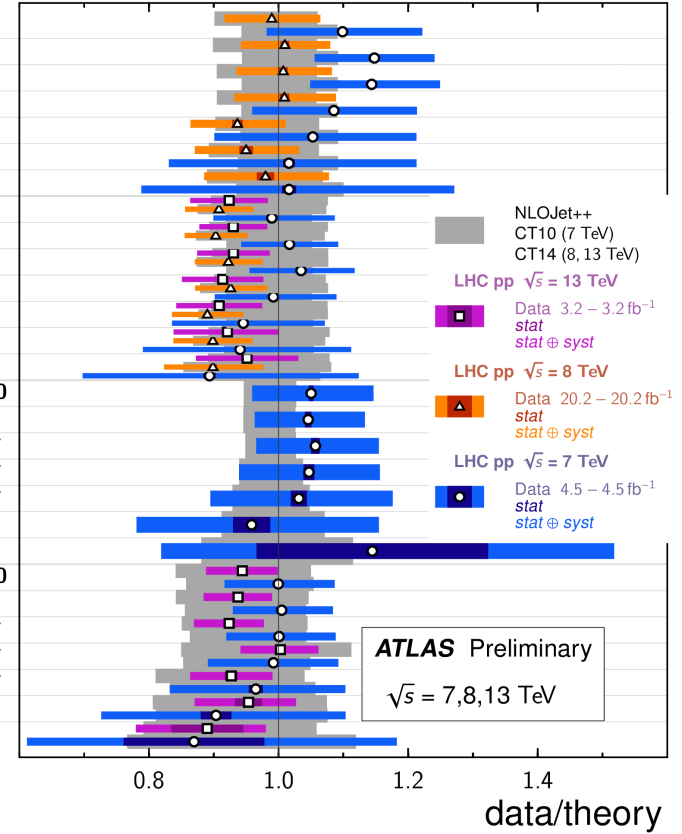
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- $2.5 < |y| < 3.0, p_T > 100$  GeV

### Dijet $R=0.6, |y| < 3.0, y^* < 3.0$

- $y^* < 0.5, 0.3 < m_{jj} < 4.3$  TeV
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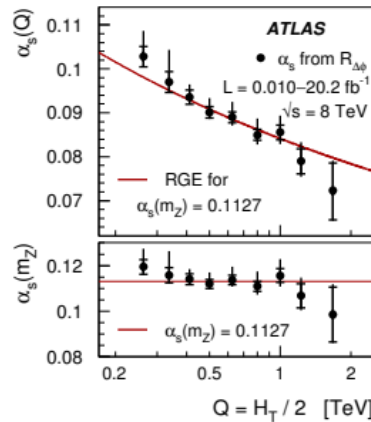
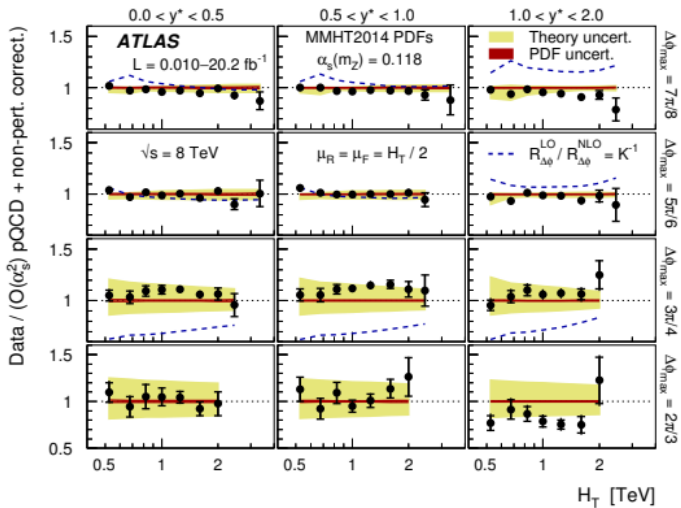
# Jet observables at the LHC

The LHC produces jets abundantly → many phenomenological applications

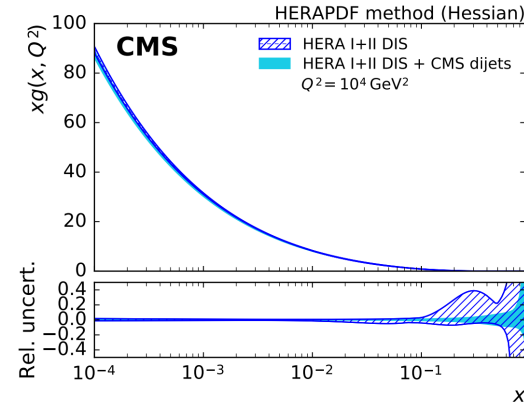
Tests of pQCD,  $\alpha_s$  extraction:  
R32 ratios, event-shapes

PDF determination:  
Single inclusive,  
Multi-differential dijet

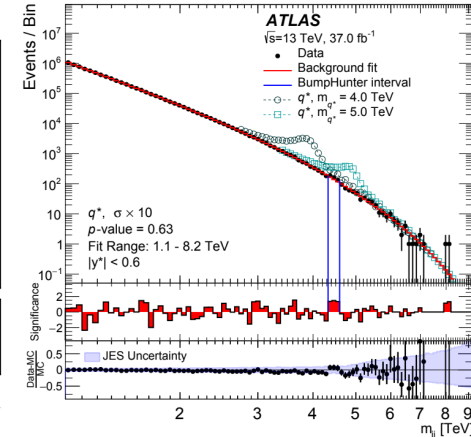
BSM searches:  
dijet mass



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[1705.02628]



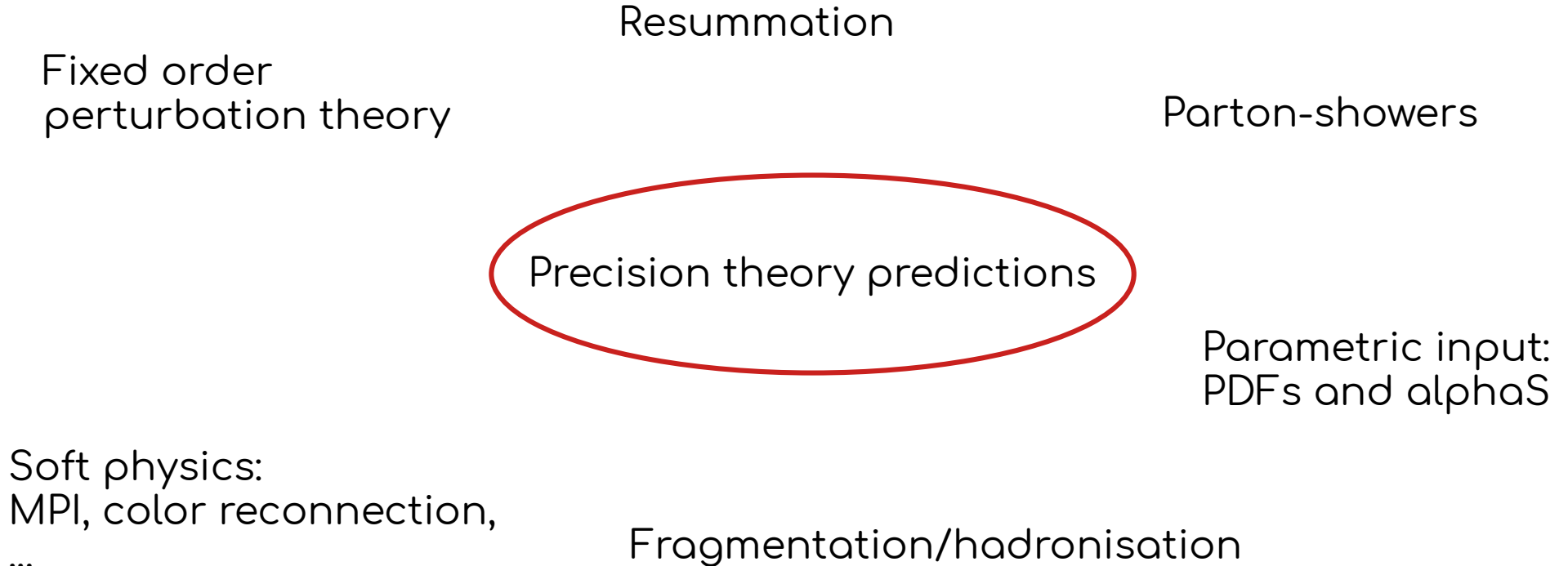
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Precision theory required!

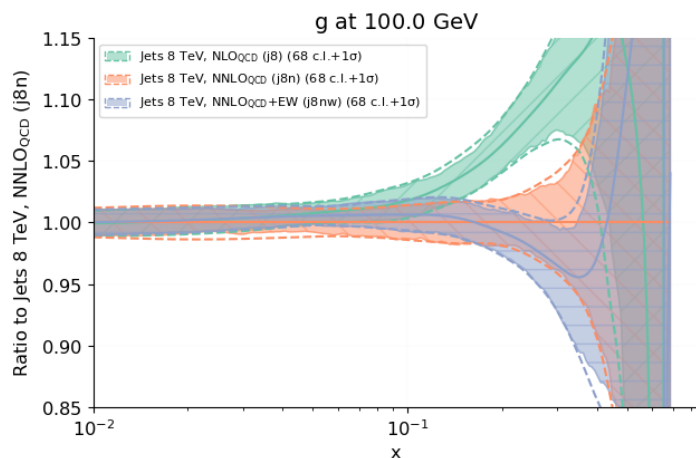
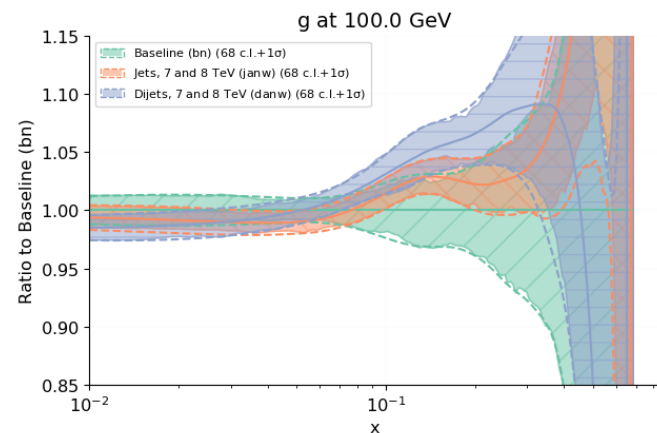
Data driven

# Precision predictions

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# Example: PDF fits with jets



Idea (quite old actually [[Giele'94](#)]):

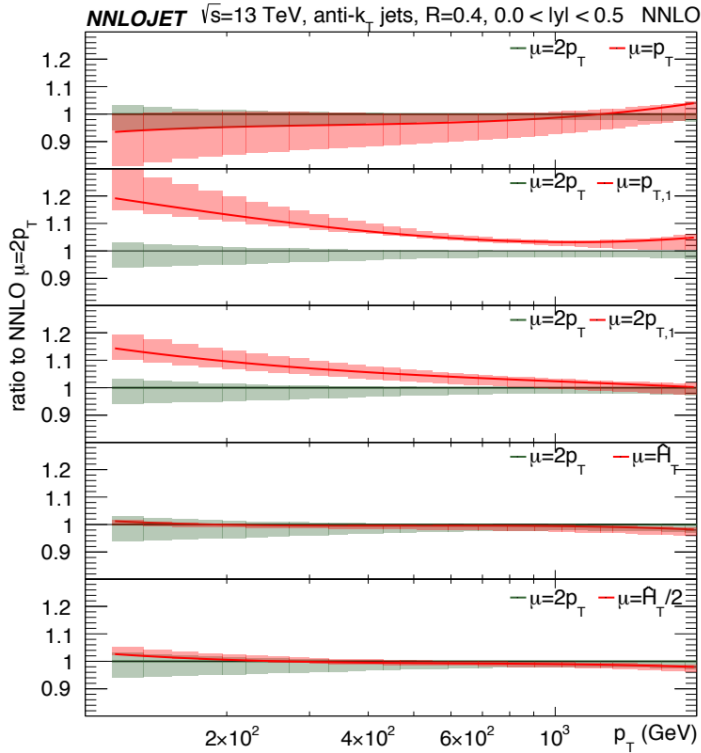
Combine single inclusive and dijet triple differential measurements by ATLAS and CMS to constrain the large gluon- $x$

Here by a collaboration of NNLOJet and NNPDF [[Khalek'20](#)]:

- Reduced uncertainty in large- $x$  gluon PDF
- **NNLO QCD corrections crucial** to obtain consistent results between data sets
- NLO EW [[Dittmaier'12](#)] or full NLO corrections [[Frederix'17](#), [Reyer'19](#)]

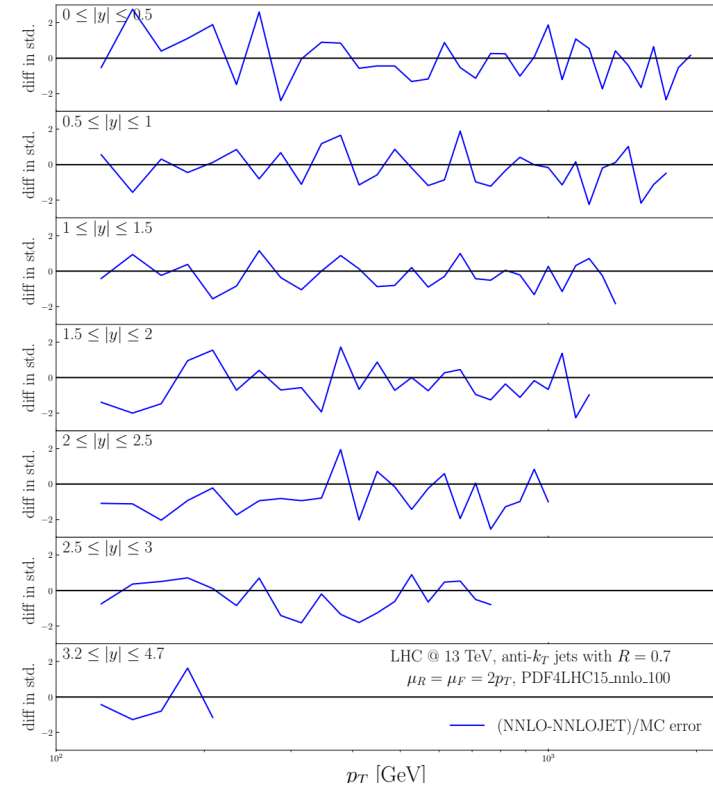


# Control over theory uncertainties



Detailed studies of  
 scale dependence:  
 Event-based choices vs.  
 Single jet choices  
 [Currie'18]

Study of sub-  
 leading colour  
 effects in quark  
 channels:  
 Smaller than O(1%)  
 [Czakon'19]



# Three jet production @ NNLO QCD

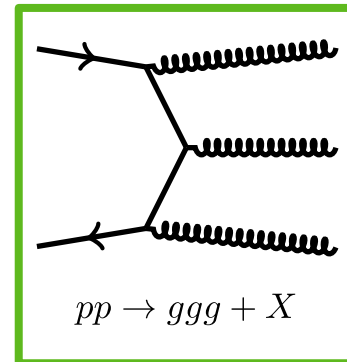
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# Three jet production

Advances in perturbative QCD allow to tackle the most complicated  $2 \rightarrow 3$  process

## Bottlenecks:

- Double virtual amplitudes: recently published in leading colour approximation [Abreu'21]
- Handling of real radiation:
  - Sector-improved residue subtraction [Czakon'10'14'19] conceptually capable
  - Computationally very challenging!  $\rightarrow O(1M \text{ CPUh})$



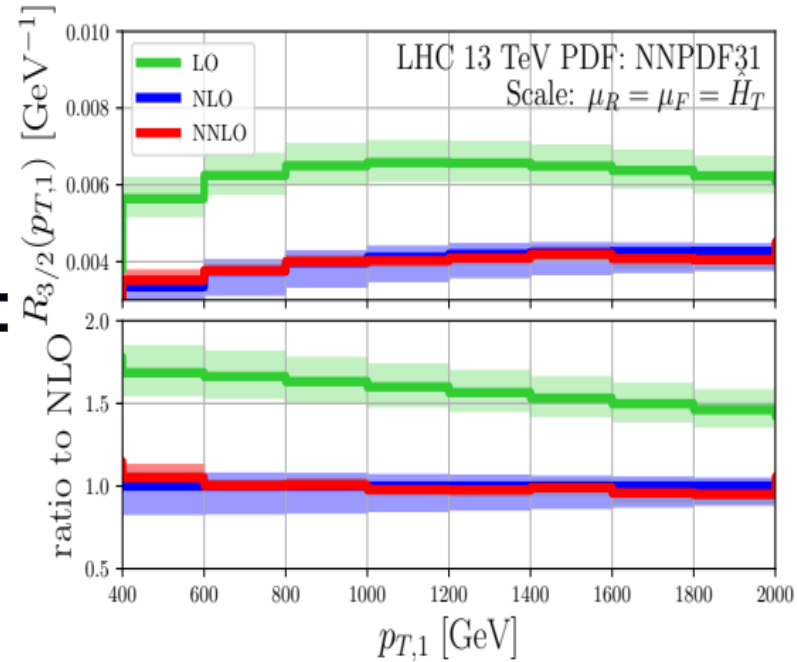
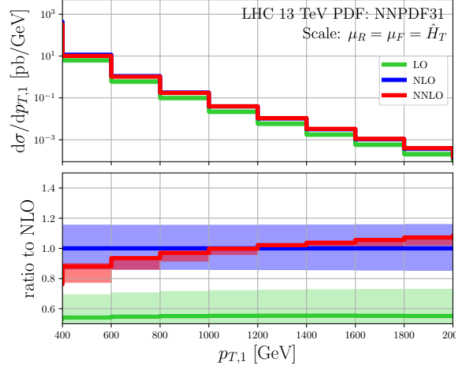
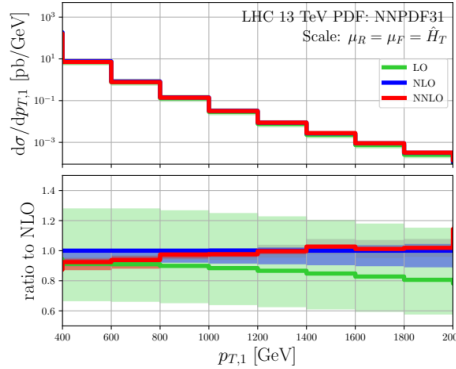
**Only** Approximation made:  $\mathcal{R}^{(2)}(\mu_R^2) = 2 \text{Re} \left[ \mathcal{M}^{\dagger(0)} \mathcal{F}^{(2)} \right] (\mu_R^2) + |\mathcal{F}^{(1)}|^2 (\mu_R^2) \equiv \mathcal{R}^{(2)}(s_{12}) + \sum_{i=1}^4 c_i \ln^i \left( \frac{\mu_R^2}{s_{12}} \right)$   
 $\rightarrow$  taken from [Abreu'21]  $\mathcal{R}^{(2)}(s_{12}) \approx \mathcal{R}^{(2)l.c.}(s_{12})$

# Three jet production - R32( $p_{T1}$ )

- LHC @ 13 TeV, NNPDF31
- Require at least three (two) jets:
  - $p_T(j) > 60$  GeV and  $|y(j)| < 4.4$
  - $H_{T,2} = p_T(j_1) + p_T(j_2) > 250$  GeV
- Scales:

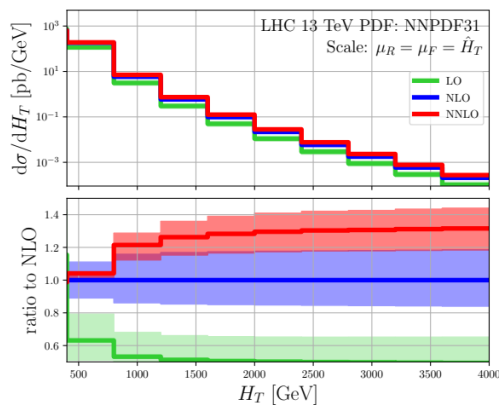
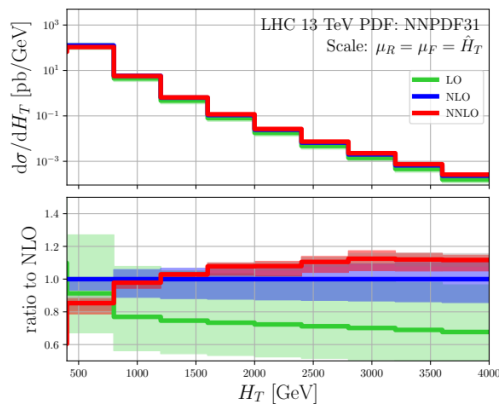
$$\mu_R = \mu_F = \hat{H}_T = \sum_{\text{partons}} p_T$$

$$R_{3/2}(X, \mu_R, \mu_F) = \frac{d\sigma_3(\mu_R, \mu_F)/dX}{d\sigma_2(\mu_R, \mu_F)/dX}$$

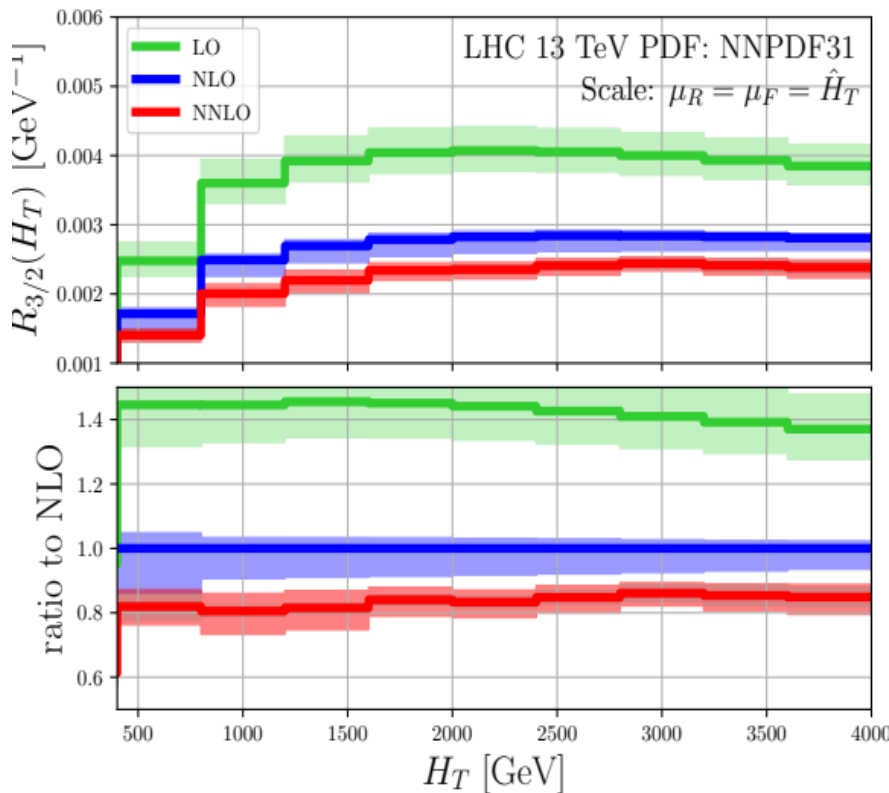


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# Three jet production - R32(HT)



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$$H_T = \sum_{\text{jets}} p_T$$

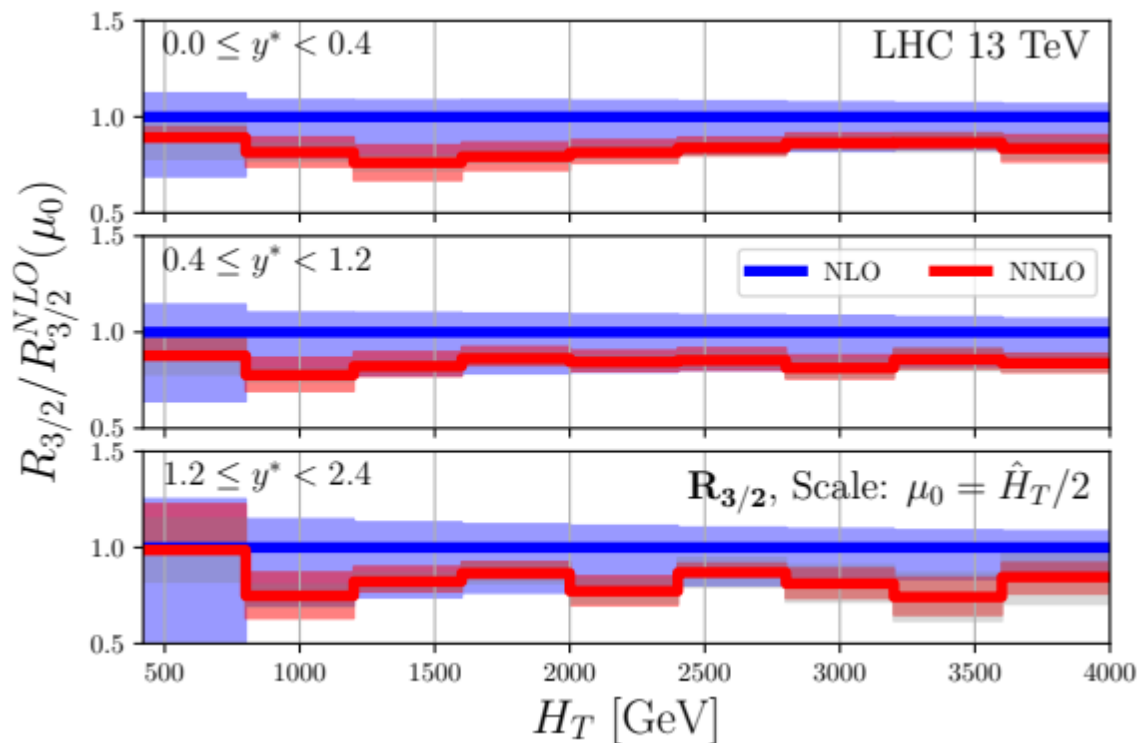
Scale dependence correlated in ratio

→ reduction of scale dependence

→ flat k-factor

→ scale bands in ratio barely overlap

# Three jet production – $R_{3/2}(H_T, y^*)$



Double differential w.r.t.  $y^* = |y(j_1) - y(j_2)|/2$

Different central scale choice:  $\hat{H}_T/2$

# Three jet production – azimuthal decorrelation

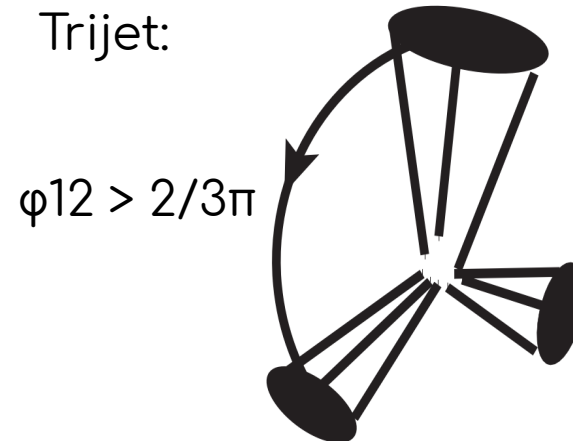
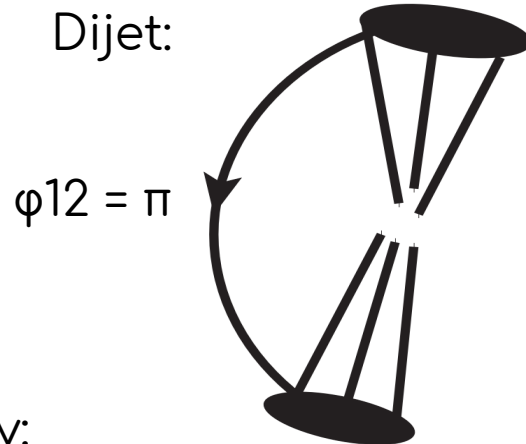
Kinematic constraints on the azimuthal separation between the two leading jets ( $\phi_{12}$ )

$\phi_{12}$  sensitive to the jet multiplicity:

2j:  $\phi_{12} = \pi$

3j:  $\phi_{12} > 2/3\pi$

4j: unconstrained



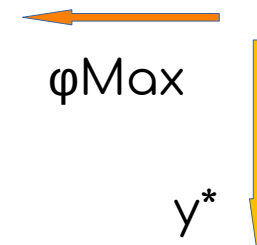
Study of the ratio

$$R_{32}(HT, y^*, \phi_{Max}) = \frac{(d\sigma_3(\phi < \phi_{Max})/dHT/dy^*)}{(d\sigma_2/dHT/dy^*)}$$

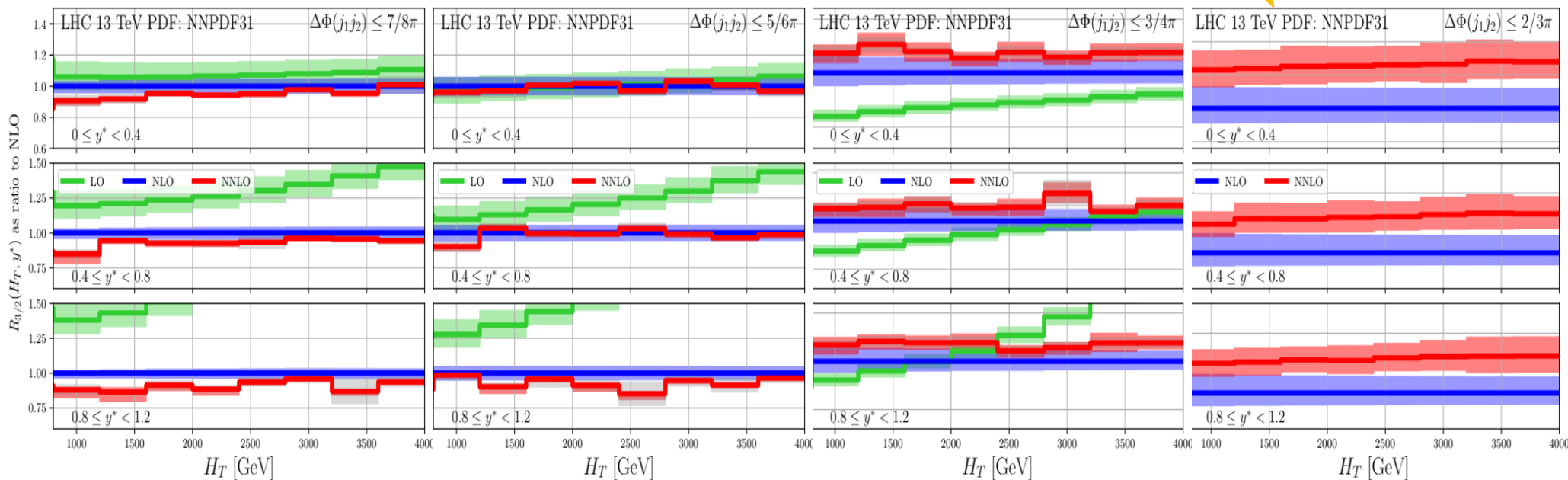
With  $y^* = |y_1 - y_2|/2$

# Three jet production – R32(HT,y\*,φMax)

NNLO/NLO K-factor smaller than NLO/LO  
Scale dependence is reduced



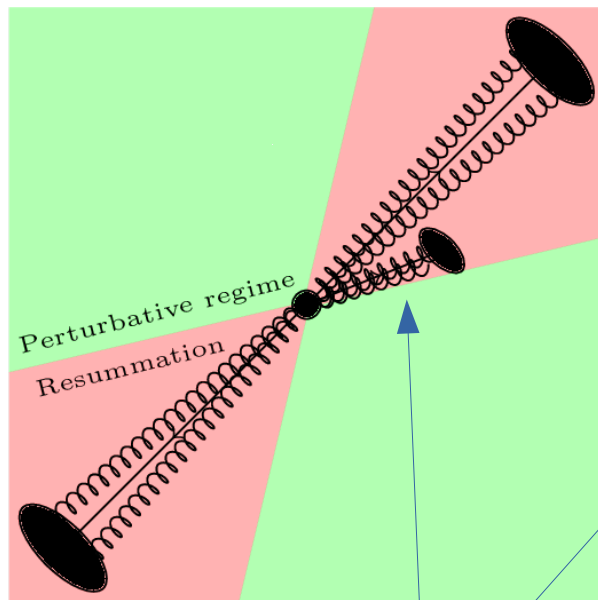
NLO 4-jet



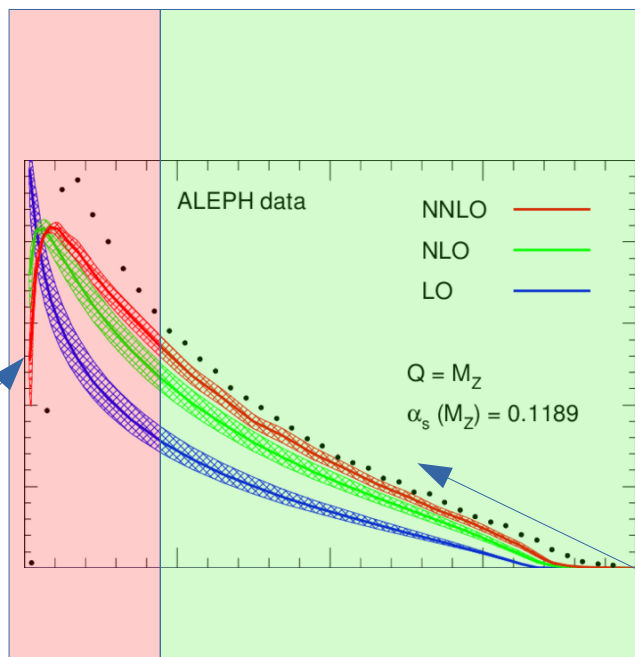


# Event shapes regimes

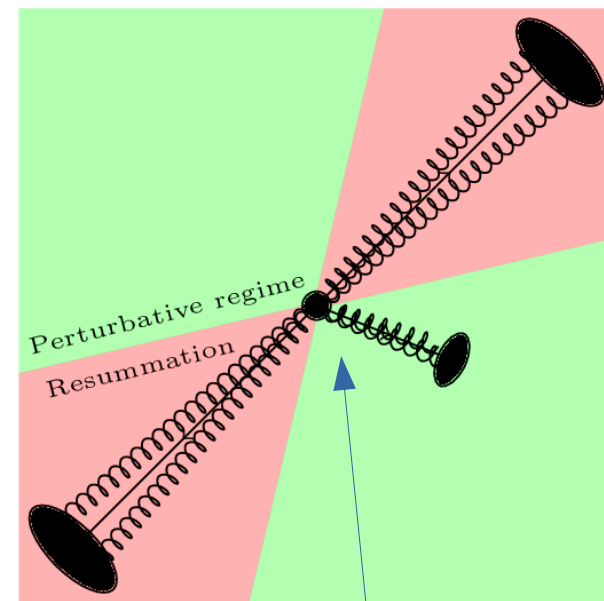
Typically event shapes measure departure from N hard jet case



Anisotropic, 2-prong like  
Sensitivity to resummation



Example: 1-Thrust at LEP



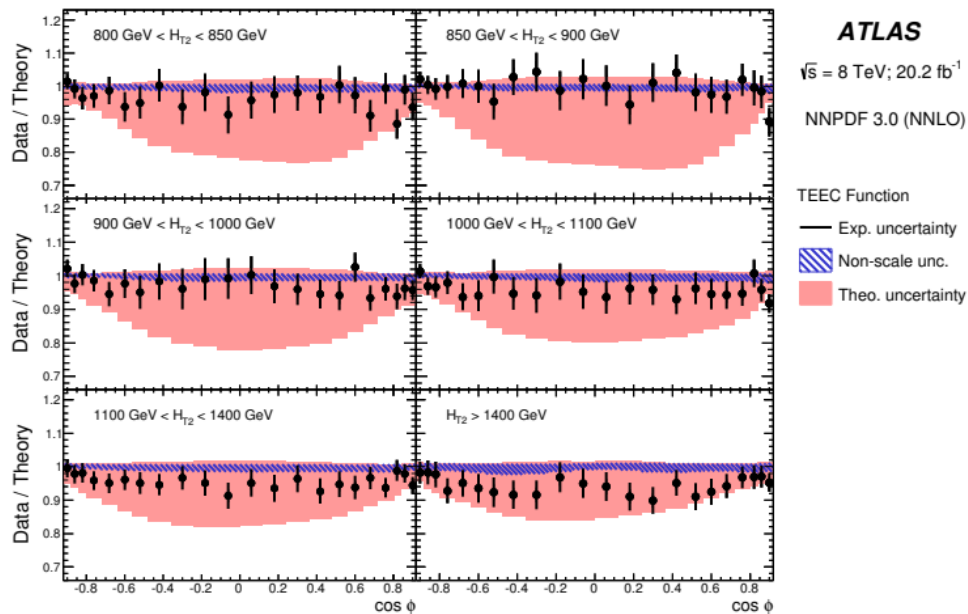
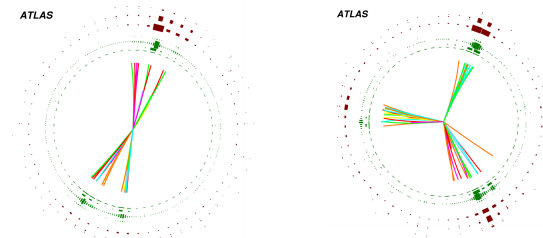
Isotropic, multi-jet  
Sensitivity to hard  
matrix elements

# Event shapes at the LHC

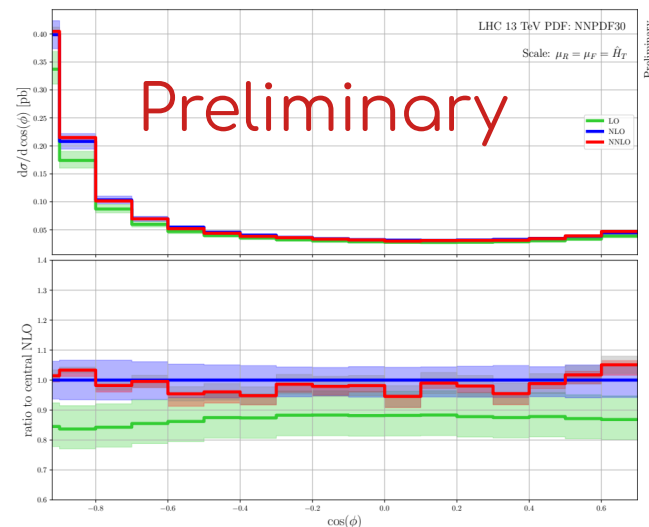
Event-shapes are measured using multi-jet events  
 → three jet is often the leading contribution

Example: TEEC (Transverse Energy-Energy Correlation)

Credit: ATLAS 2007.12600



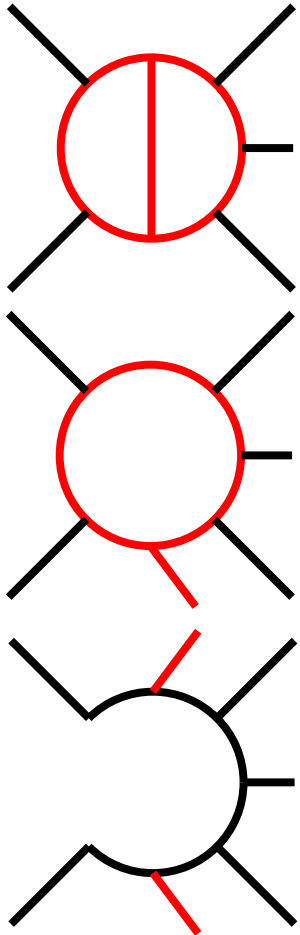
$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\Sigma}{d \cos \phi} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{A=1}^N \sum_{ij} \frac{E_{\perp,i}^A E_{\perp,j}^A}{\left( \sum_k E_{T,k}^A \right)^2} \delta(\cos \phi - \cos \phi_{ij})$$



# Technical aspects (~10mins)

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# NNLO QCD prediction beyond $2 \rightarrow 2$



$2 \rightarrow 3$  Two-loop amplitudes:

- (Non-) planar 5 point massless 'pheno ready' [Chawdry'19'20'21, Abreu'20'21, Agarwal'21, Badger'21]  
fast progress in the last year  
→ triggered by efficient MI representation [Chicherin'20]
- 5 point with one external mass [Abreu'20, Syrrakos'20, Canko'20, Badger'21]

Many leg, IR stable one-loop amplitudes → OpenLoops [Buccioni'19]

Cross sections → Combination with real radiation

- Various NNLO subtraction schemes are available:  
qT-slicing [Catani'07], N-jettiness slicing [Gaunt'15/Boughezal'15], Antenna [Gehrmann'05-'08], Colorful [DelDuca'05-'15], Projection [Cacciari'15], Geometric [Herzog'18], Unsubtraction [Aguilera-Verdugo'19], Nested collinear [Caola'17], Sector-improved residue subtraction [Czakon'10-'14,'19]

# Hadronic cross section

Hadronic X-section:  $\sigma_{h_1 h_2 \rightarrow X} = \sum_{ij} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 dx_1 dx_2 \phi_{i,h_1}(x_1, \mu_F^2) \phi_{j,h_2}(x_2, \mu_F^2) \hat{\sigma}_{ij \rightarrow X}(\alpha_s(\mu_R^2), \mu_R^2, \mu_F^2)$

Parton distribution functions

Perturbative expansion of partonic cross section:

$$\hat{\sigma}_{ab \rightarrow X} = \hat{\sigma}_{ab \rightarrow X}^{(0)} + \hat{\sigma}_{ab \rightarrow X}^{(1)} + \hat{\sigma}_{ab \rightarrow X}^{(2)} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3)$$

The NNLO bit:  $\hat{\sigma}_{ab}^{(2)} = \hat{\sigma}_{ab}^{\text{RR}} + \hat{\sigma}_{ab}^{\text{RV}} + \hat{\sigma}_{ab}^{\text{VV}} + \hat{\sigma}_{ab}^{\text{C2}} + \hat{\sigma}_{ab}^{\text{C1}}$

Double real radiation

$$\hat{\sigma}_{ab}^{\text{RR}} = \frac{1}{2\hat{s}} \int d\Phi_{n+2} \langle \mathcal{M}_{n+2}^{(0)} | \mathcal{M}_{n+2}^{(0)} \rangle F_{n+2}$$

Real/Virtual correction

$$\hat{\sigma}_{ab}^{\text{RV}} = \frac{1}{2\hat{s}} \int d\Phi_{n+1} 2\text{Re} \langle \mathcal{M}_{n+1}^{(0)} | \mathcal{M}_{n+1}^{(1)} \rangle F_{n+1}$$

Double virtual corrections

$$\hat{\sigma}_{ab}^{\text{VV}} = \frac{1}{2\hat{s}} \int d\Phi_n \left( 2\text{Re} \langle \mathcal{M}_n^{(0)} | \mathcal{M}_n^{(2)} \rangle + \langle \mathcal{M}_n^{(1)} | \mathcal{M}_n^{(1)} \rangle \right) F_n$$

Each term separately IR divergent. But sum is:  
finite and regularization scheme independent

Considering CDR ( $d = 4 - 2\epsilon$ ):

$$\hat{\sigma}_{ab}^{\text{C}} = \sum_{i=-4}^0 c_i \epsilon^i + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$$

# Sector decomposition I

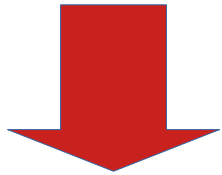
Considering working in CDR:

→ Virtuals are usually done in this regularization

→ Real radiation:

→ Very difficult integrals, analytical impractical (except very simple cases)!

→ Numerics not possible, integrals are divergent:  $\varepsilon$ -poles!



How to extract these poles? → Sector decomposition!

Divide and conquer the phase space:

$$1 = \sum_{i,j} \left[ \sum_k \mathcal{S}_{ij,k} + \sum_{k,l} \mathcal{S}_{i,k;j,l} \right] \longrightarrow \hat{\sigma}_{ab}^{\text{RR}} = \frac{1}{2\hat{s}} \int d\Phi_{n+2} \sum_{i,j} \left[ \sum_k \mathcal{S}_{ij,k} + \sum_{k,l} \mathcal{S}_{i,k;j,l} \right] \langle \mathcal{M}_{n+2}^{(0)} | \mathcal{M}_{n+2}^{(0)} \rangle_{\text{F}_{n+2}}$$

# Sector decomposition II

Factorized singular limits in each sector:

$$\frac{1}{2\hat{s}} \int d\Phi_{n+2} \mathcal{S}_{kl,m} \langle \mathcal{M}_{n+2}^{(0)} | \mathcal{M}_{n+2}^{(0)} \rangle F_{n+2} = \sum_{\text{sub-sec.}} \int d\Phi_n \prod dx_i \underbrace{x_i^{-1-b_i\epsilon}}_{\text{singular}} d\tilde{\mu}(\{x_i\}) \underbrace{\prod x_i^{a_i+1} \langle \mathcal{M}_{n+2} | \mathcal{M}_{n+2} \rangle}_{\text{regular}} F_{n+2}$$

Regularization of divergences:  $x^{-1-b\epsilon} = \underbrace{\frac{-1}{b\epsilon}}_{\text{pole term}} + \underbrace{[x^{-1-b\epsilon}]_+}_{\text{reg. + sub.}} \quad \int_0^1 dx [x^{-1-b\epsilon}]_+ f(x) = \int_0^1 \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x^{1+b\epsilon}}$



Numerical integrable in  $d = 4 - 2\epsilon$  dimensions

$$(\sigma_F^{RR}, \sigma_{SU}^{RR}, \sigma_{DU}^{RR}) \quad (\sigma_F^{RV}, \sigma_{SU}^{RV}, \sigma_{DU}^{RV}) \quad (\sigma_F^{VV}, \sigma_{DU}^{VV}, \sigma_{FR}^{VV}) \quad (\sigma_{SU}^{C1}, \sigma_{DU}^{C1}) \quad (\sigma_{DU}^{C2}, \sigma_{FR}^{C2})$$



re-arrangement of terms  $\rightarrow$  4-dim. formulation [Czakon'14, Czakon'19]

$$\underline{(\sigma_F^{RR})} \quad \underline{(\sigma_F^{RV})} \quad \underline{(\sigma_F^{VV})} \quad \underline{(\sigma_{SU}^{RR}, \sigma_{SU}^{RV}, \sigma_{SU}^{C1})} \quad \underline{(\sigma_{DU}^{RR}, \sigma_{DU}^{RV}, \sigma_{DU}^{VV}, \sigma_{DU}^{C1}, \sigma_{DU}^{C2})} \quad \underline{(\sigma_{FR}^{RV}, \sigma_{FR}^{VV}, \sigma_{FR}^{C2})}$$

separately finite:  $\epsilon$  poles cancel

# Five-point amplitudes - Overview

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The all massless case:

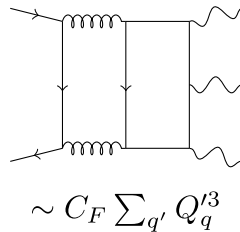
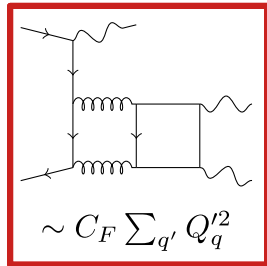
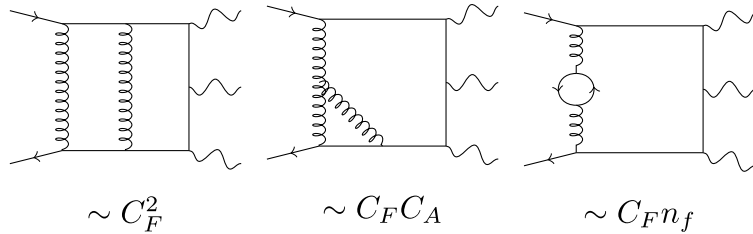
- $pp \rightarrow jjj$ 
  - Euclidean results: insights in rational structure of amplitudes [Abreu'19]
  - Physical phase space [Abreu'21]:
    - based on 'pentagon-functions' by Chicherin and Sotnikov [Chicherin'20]
    - efficient evaluation times ( $\sim 1$ sec)  $\rightarrow$  'pheno-ready'
- $pp \rightarrow \gamma\gamma\gamma$ 
  - First, squared matrix elements with 'pentagon-functions' by [Gehrmann'18]. Very slow, however usable for pheno application [Chowdhry'19].
  - Helicity amplitudes with new 'pentagon-functions' [Abreu'20, Chowdhry'20]
- $pp \rightarrow \gamma\gamma j$ 
  - Squared matrix element in planar limit [Agarwal'21]
  - Helicity amplitudes in planar limit [Chowdhry'21]
  - Both in full glory [Agarwal'21] + gg induced [Badger'21]
- $pp \rightarrow \gamma jj$   $\leftarrow$  untouched territory so far...



# Planar five-point amplitudes

$$q\bar{q} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma\gamma$$

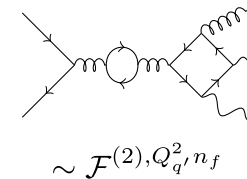
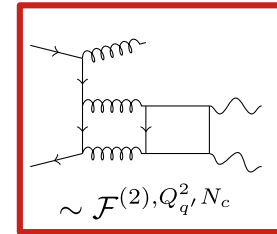
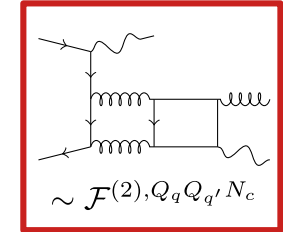
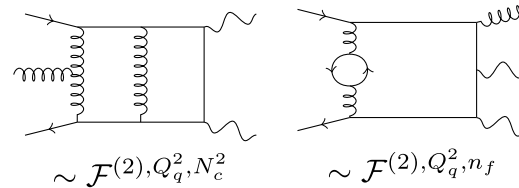
- 3 independent helicities
- QED x QCD  $\rightarrow$  leading color  $\neq$  planar



$$\mathcal{F}^{(2)}(q\bar{q} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma\gamma) \Big|_{\text{planar}} = Q_q^3 N_c^2 \left( \mathcal{F}^{C_F^2} + 2\mathcal{F}^{C_F C_A} \right) + Q_q^3 C_F n_f \mathcal{F}^{C_F n_f}$$

$$q\bar{q} \rightarrow g\gamma\gamma \quad qg \rightarrow q\gamma\gamma$$

- Kinematics:  $\{s_{ij}\} = \{s_{12}, s_{23}, s_{34}, s_{45}, s_{51}\}$   
 $\text{tr}_5 = 4i\epsilon(p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4)$



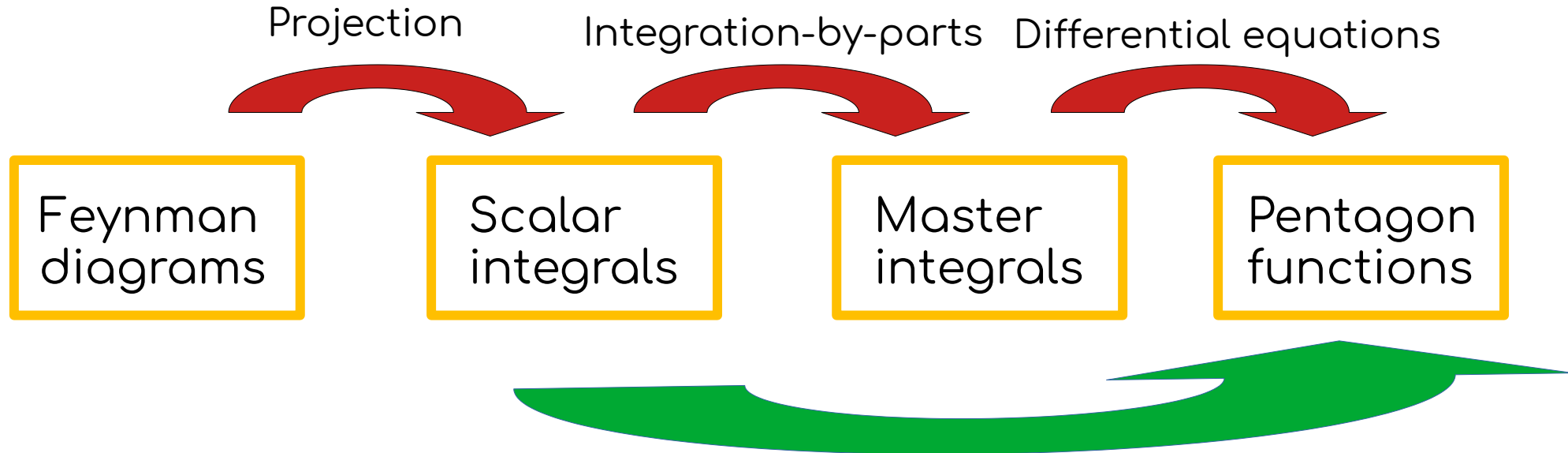
$$\mathcal{F}^{(2)}(q\bar{q} \rightarrow g\gamma\gamma) \Big|_{\text{planar}} = Q_q^2 N_c^2 \left( \mathcal{F}^{(2), Q_q^2, N_c^2} + \frac{n_f}{N_c} \mathcal{F}^{(2), Q_q^2, n_f} \right) + Q_{1,2} n_f \mathcal{F}^{(2), Q_q^2, n_f}$$

= non-planar diagrams at LC

# Our framework

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Old school approach:



Automated framework using finite fields to avoid expression swell based on Firefly [Klappert'19'20]

# Projection

Projection to helicity amplitudes based on [Chen '19]

Spin structure of  $q\bar{q} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma\gamma$  and  $q\bar{q} \rightarrow g\gamma\gamma$  :  $\mathcal{M}^{\bar{h}} = \epsilon_{3,h_3}^{*\mu} \epsilon_{4,h_4}^{*\nu} \epsilon_{5,h_5}^{*\rho} \bar{v}(h_2) \Gamma_{\mu\nu\rho} u(h_1)$

Explicit representation of polarization vectors in terms of momenta (d=4):

$$\epsilon_{i,h}^{\mu} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\epsilon_{i,X}^{\mu} + h i \epsilon_{i,Y}^{\mu})$$

Ansatz:

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_{i,X}^{\mu} &= c_{i,1}^X p_1^{\mu} + c_{i,2}^X p_2^{\mu} + c_{i,3}^X p_i^{\mu} \\ \Rightarrow \epsilon_{i,Y}^{\mu} &= \mathcal{N}_{i,Y} \epsilon_{\nu\rho\sigma}^{\mu} q^{\nu} p_i^{\rho} \epsilon_{i,X}^{\sigma} \end{aligned}$$

Constraints:

$$(\epsilon_{i,X})^2 = -1, \quad \epsilon_{i,X} \cdot q = 0, \quad \epsilon_{i,X} \cdot p_i = 0$$

Spinors expressed through trace:

$$\mathcal{M} = \bar{v}(p_2, h_2) \Gamma u(p_1, h_1) = \text{Tr} \left\{ (u \otimes \bar{v}) \Gamma \right\} \quad (u \otimes \bar{v})_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{\bar{u} N v}{\bar{u} N v} (u \otimes \bar{v})_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{1}{\mathcal{N}} [(u \otimes \bar{u}) N (v \otimes \bar{v})]_{\alpha\beta}$$

Application to Feynman diagrams  $\rightarrow$  scalar expression:  $\mathcal{M} = \sum c(\{s_{ij}\}, \text{tr}_5, d) I(\{s_{ij}\}, d)$

Note: bare amplitudes are scheme-dependent, finite remainders are not

# Amplitudes! Assemble!

Analytically derived IBP tables [Chowdhry'18]:

$$I(\{s_{ij}\}, d) = \sum \tilde{c}(\{s_{ij}\}, d) \text{UT}(\{s_{ij}\}, d)$$

Master Integrals:  
(pentagon-functions)

$$\text{UT}(\{s_{ij}\}, d) = \sum_{i=0}^4 (\vec{c}_i \cdot \vec{t}_i) \epsilon^i$$

All bits known analytically, but adding them up is cumbersome...

Using the increasingly adapted finite field approach (using Firefly):

→ evaluating all components in finite field points

→ doing the sums

→ reconstruct the finite remainder amplitude:

$$\mathcal{R}^{(\ell), i, c} = \sum_e \boxed{r_e^{(\ell), i, c}} \boxed{t_e}$$

$\boxed{t_e}$  : Combinations of transcendental functions

$\boxed{r_e^{(\ell), i, c}}$  : rational in  $s_{ij}$  and linear in  $\text{tr}_5$

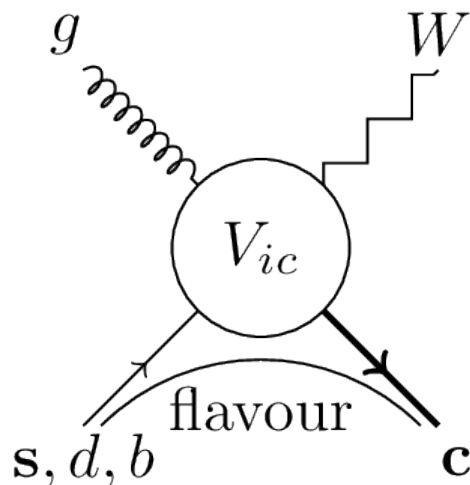
→ Exploiting Q-linear relations among rationals:

$q\bar{q} \rightarrow g\gamma\gamma$	# tot. / # ind.
$\mathcal{R}^{+-----, (2), Q_q^2, N_c^2}$	96 / 33
$\mathcal{R}^{+-----, (2), Q_q^2, n_f}$	48 / 22
$\mathcal{R}^{+-----, (2), Q_{q'}^2, n_f}$	6 / 2
$\mathcal{R}^{+--+---, (2), Q_q^2, N_c^2}$	7266 / 66
$\mathcal{R}^{+--+---, (2), Q_q^2, n_f}$	504 / 27
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# Flavoured jets

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# Example: $W+c$ -jet



$V_{sc} > V_{dc} \gg V_{bc}$

→ Sensitivity to strange PDF

Use measurement for:

→ Reduction of PDF uncertainties

→ Shed light on  $ss$ bar asymmetry

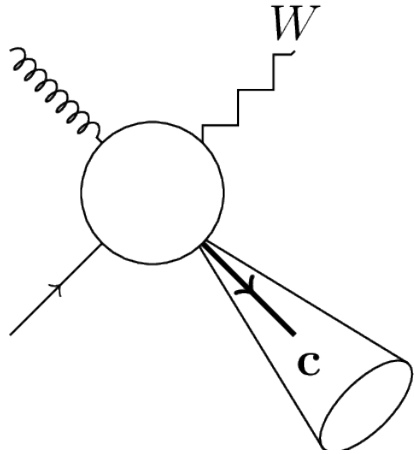
Idea is simple:

Identify final state  $c$ -quarks to access  $s$ -quark PDFs.

But:

- Non-diagonal CKM contributions reduce sensitivity
- Theoretical treatment for PDF fits:
  - Large NLO corrections:  $g \rightarrow c \bar{c}$
  - Massive  $c$ :
    - Resummation of mass logs at high  $p_T$
    - Higher order predictions?
  - Massless  $c$ :
    - Appropriate for high  $p_T$
    - NNLO QCD available
    - **Jet definition?**

# W+c-jet: IR safe jet flavour

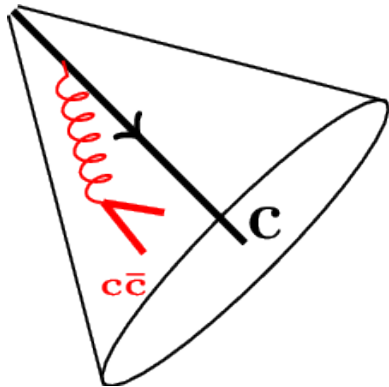


High energy c-quark will:

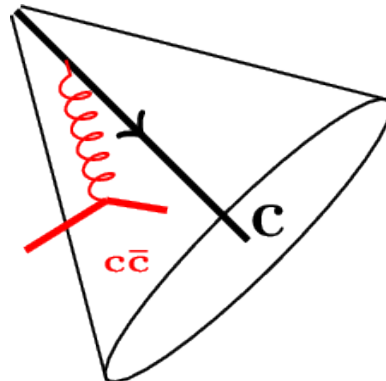
- Radiate QCD partons  
→ eventually form a jet
- After hadronization/fragmentation:  
Identification through heavy mesons

For PDF fits we need a fixed order prediction.

We'll know problem at NNLO QCD [Banfi'06]:



vs.



Wide angle soft flavour pairs lead to IR unsafe jet clustering

# Solution: Modified jet algorithms

Standard kT algorithm [Ellis'93]:

$$\text{Pair distance: } d_{ij} = \min(k_{T,i}^2, k_{T,j}^2) R_{ij}^2$$

$$R_{ij}^2 = (\Delta\phi_{ij}^2 + \Delta\eta_{ij}^2) / R^2$$

Beam distance:  $d_i = k_{T,i}^2$

Flavour kT algorithm [Bonfì'06]:

Pair distance:

$$d_{ij} = R_{ij}^2 \begin{cases} \max(k_{T,i}, k_{T,j})^\alpha \min(k_{T,i}, k_{T,j})^{2-\alpha} & \text{softer of } i,j \text{ is flavoured} \\ \min(k_{T,i}, k_{T,j})^\alpha & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

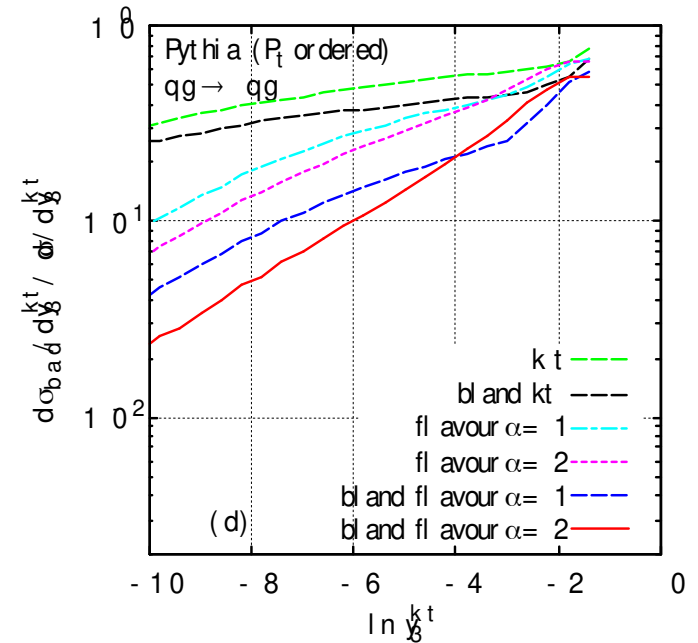
Beam distance:

$$d_{i,B} = \begin{cases} \max(k_{T,i}, k_{T,B}(y_i))^\alpha \min(k_{T,i}, k_{T,B}(y_i))^{2-\alpha} & i \text{ is flavoured} \\ \min(k_{T,i}, k_{T,B}(y_i))^\alpha & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$d_B(\eta) = \sum_i k_{T,i} (\theta(\eta_i - \eta) + \theta(\eta - \eta_i)) e^{\eta_i - \eta}$$

$$d_{\bar{B}}(\eta) = \sum_i k_{T,i} (\theta(\eta - \eta_i) + \theta(\eta_i - \eta)) e^{\eta - \eta_i}$$

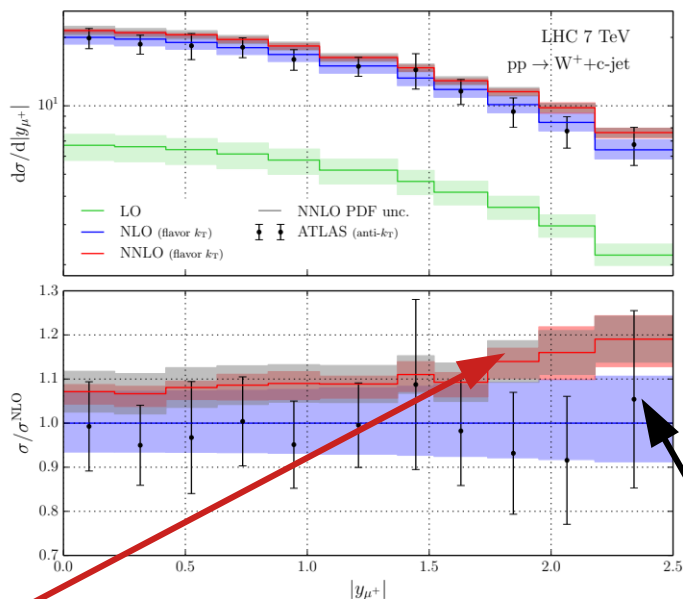
Numerical check in 2jet events:  
Misidentification rate as  
a function of  $y_{3kt}$





# Problem solved, isn't it?

W+c-jet at NNLO QCD with flavour-kT [Czakon'20]

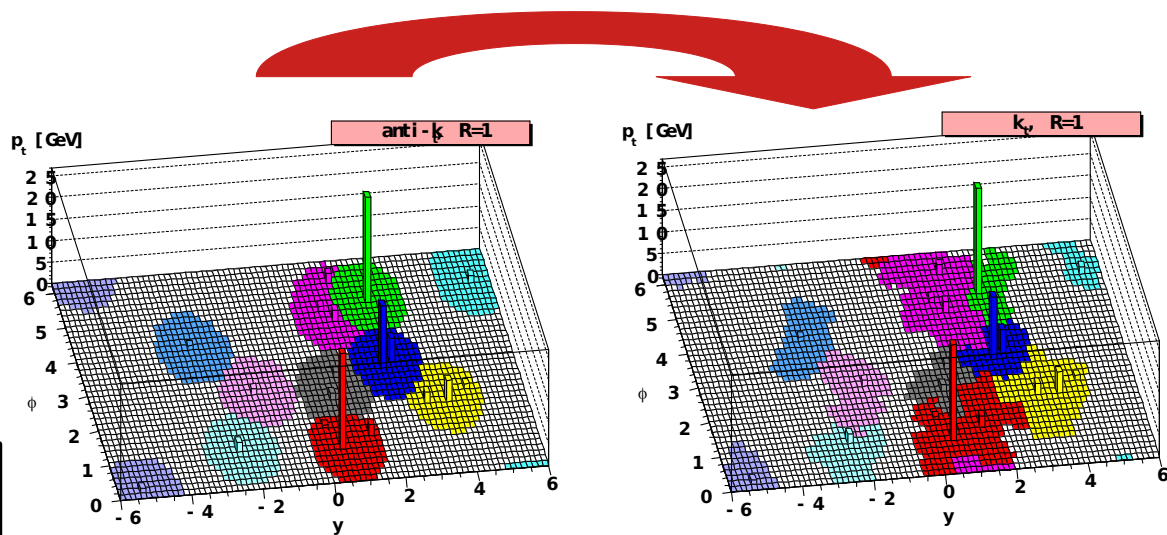


NNLO QCD with flavour kT

ATLAS data with standard anti-kT

A proper comparison would require to **unfold experimental data**

→ (flavour-) kT and anti-kT cluster partonic jets differently → Non-trivial procedure.



# What about flavour anti-kT?

$$\text{Anti-kT: } d_{ij} = \min(k_{T,i}^{-2}, k_{T,j}^{-2}) R_{ij}^2 \quad d_i = k_{T,i}^{-2}$$

The energy ordering in anti-kT prevents correct recombination of flavoured pairs in the double soft limit.

Proposed modification:

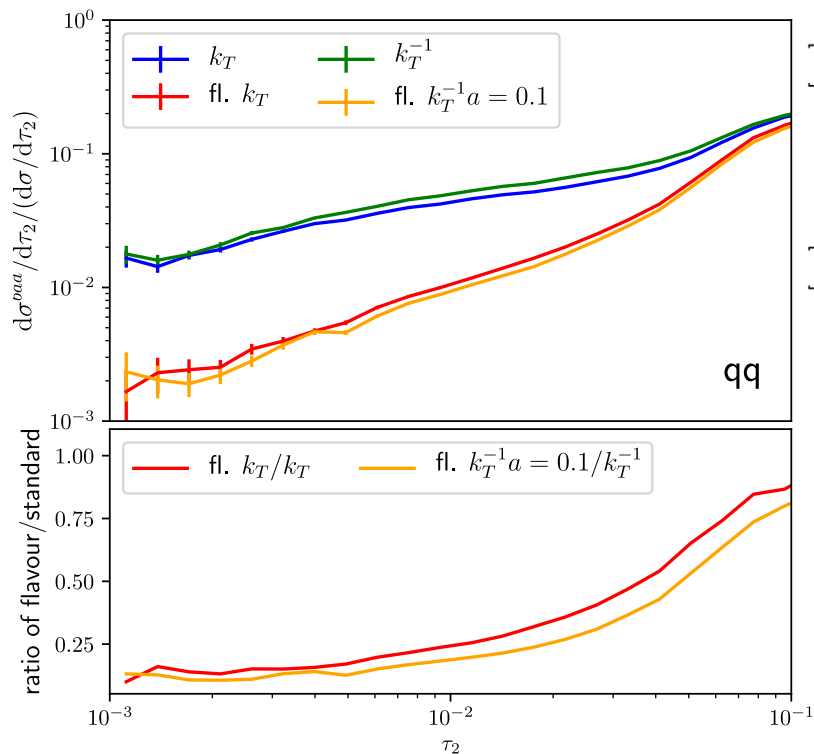
A soft term designed to modify the distance of flavoured pairs.

$$d_{i,j}^{(F)} = d_{i,j} \begin{cases} \mathcal{S}_{ij} & \text{i,j is flavoured pair} \\ 1 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

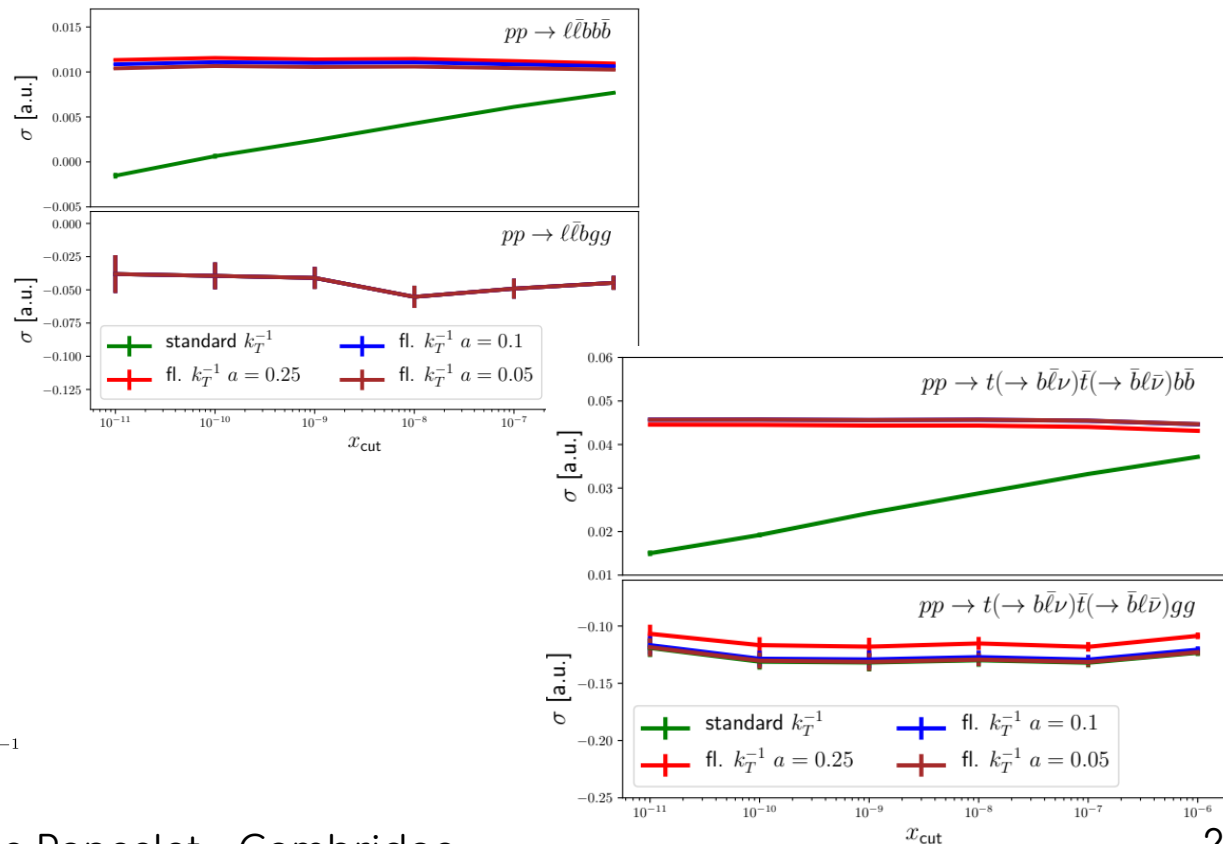
$$\mathcal{S}_{ij} = 1 - \theta(1 - x) \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}x\right) \quad \text{with} \quad x = \frac{k_{T,i}^2 + k_{T,j}^2}{2ak_{T,\max}^2}$$

# IR safety of flavoured Anti-kT

Misidentification rate as function of two jetty-ness



IR sensitivity of jet cross sections:



# Phenomenology: Z+b-jet

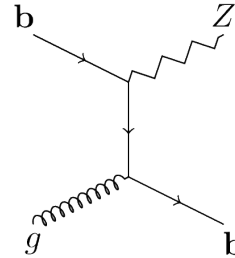
Benchmark process:  $pp \rightarrow Z(\ell\ell) + b\text{-jet}$

Well studied up to  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3)$  [Gould'20]:

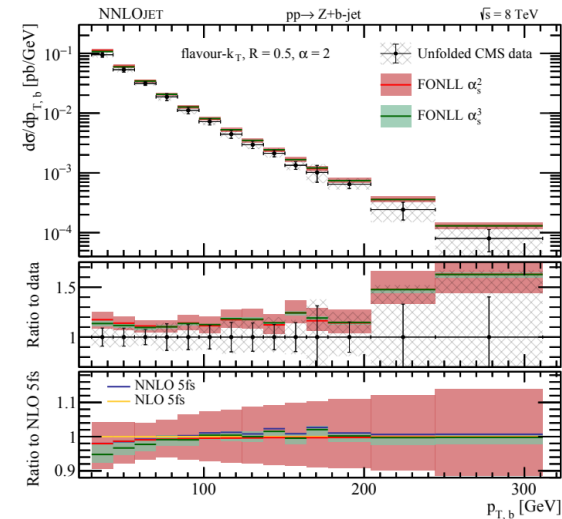
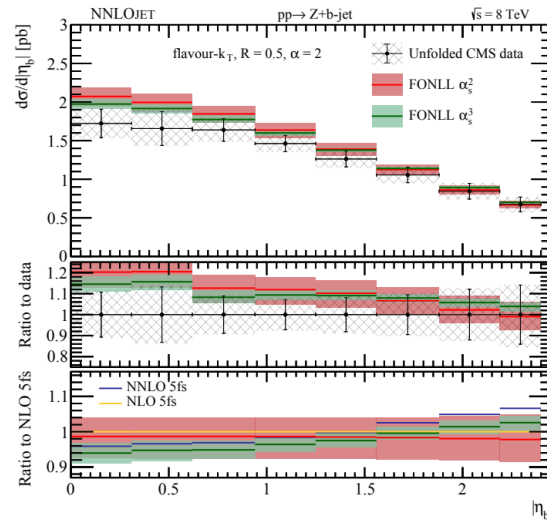
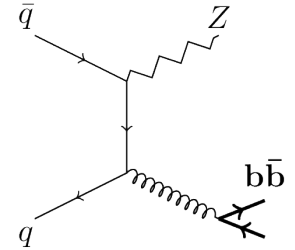
- Defined with flavour-k<sub>T</sub> algorithm
- Unfolding of experimental data (RooUnfold, bin-by-bin unfolding)
- Matching between four- and five-flavour schemes (FONLL) [Gould'21]

$$d\sigma^{\text{FONLL}} = d\sigma^{5\text{fs}} + (d\sigma_{m_b}^{4\text{fs}} - d\sigma_{m_b \rightarrow 0}^{4\text{fs}})$$

5fs:



4fs:



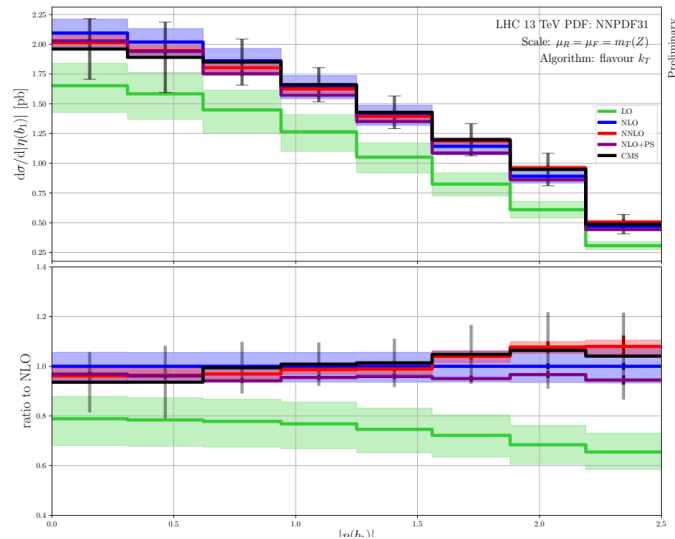
# Phenomenology: Tunable parameter

Benchmark process:  $pp \rightarrow Z(\ell\ell) + b\text{-jet}$

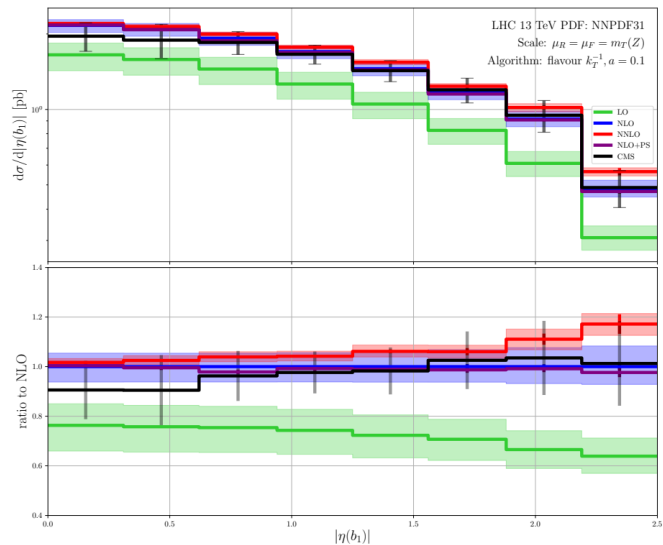
Tunable parameter  $a$ :

- Limit  $a \rightarrow 0 \Leftrightarrow$  original anti-kT (IR unsafe)
- Large  $a \Leftrightarrow$  large modification of cluster sequence

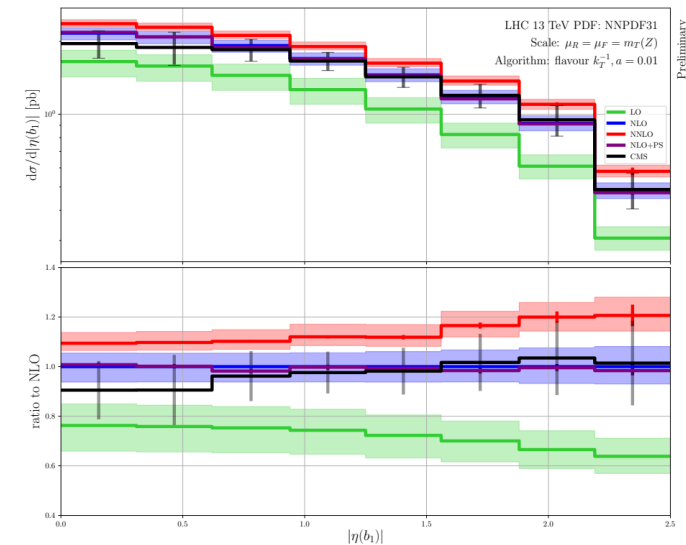
Flavour kT:



Flavour anti-kT:  $a = 0.1$

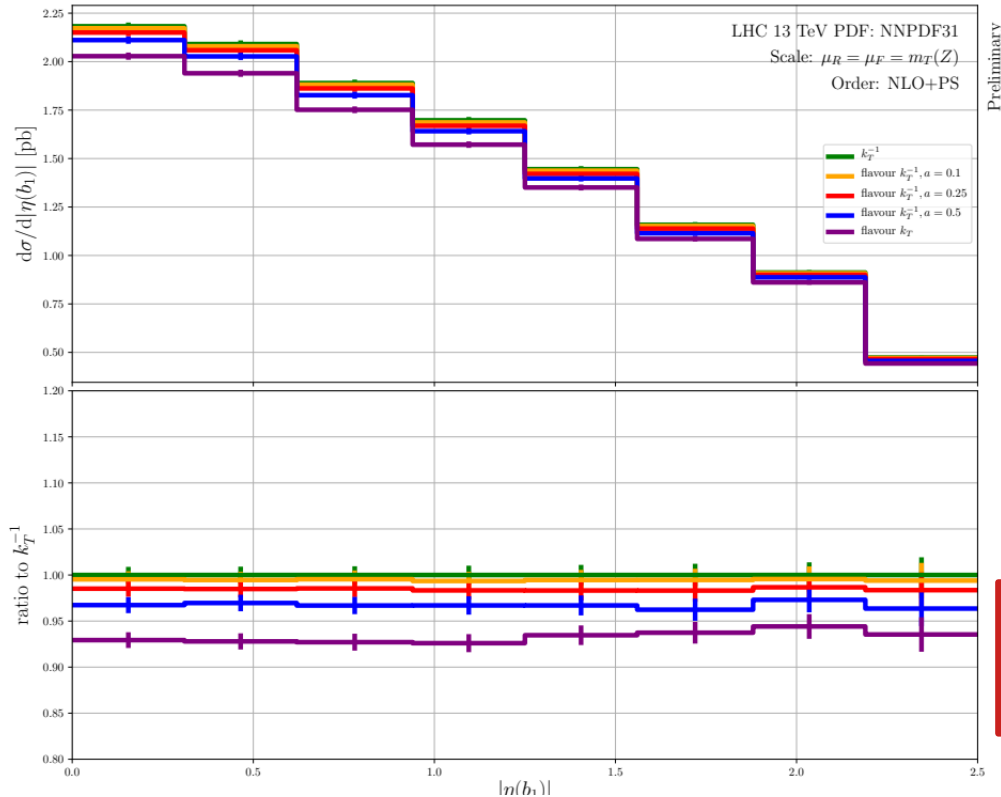


Flavour anti-kT:  $a = 0.01$



# Phenomenology: Tunable parameter II

What happens in the presence of many flavoured partons? → NLO PS



Tunable parameter a:

- Flavour anti-kT results are similar to standard anti-kT → small unfolding factors
- Flavour-kT has larger difference

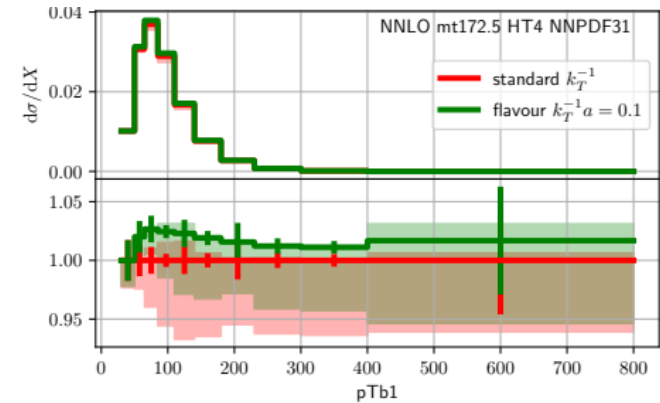
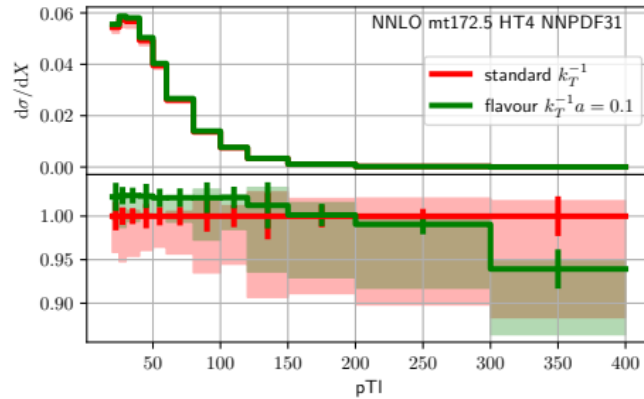
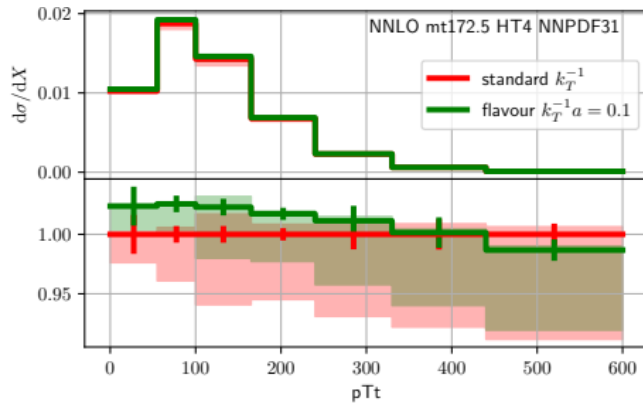
Combine with perturbative convergence:  
→  $a \sim 0.1$  is a good candidate

# b-jets in top-pair production&decay

NNLO QCD corrections [Czakon'20] to:  $pp \rightarrow t(\rightarrow b\bar{\ell}\nu)\bar{t}(\rightarrow \bar{b}\ell\bar{\nu}) + X$

Flavour sensitive channels like:  $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}b\bar{b} \rightarrow \bar{\ell}\nu\ell\bar{\nu} \boxed{b\bar{b}b\bar{b}}$

Small numerical impact from extra bbar emissions in  $pp \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  [Catani'20] and single-top production [Berger '17'18, Campbell '20]   
 → naive treatment via cut-off procedure



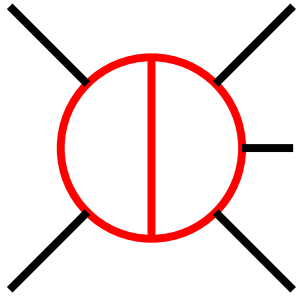
Naive 'cut-off' treatment vs. proposed IR safe flavour anti- $k_T$

# Summary & Outlook

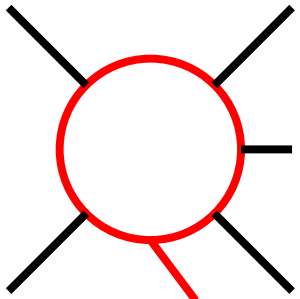
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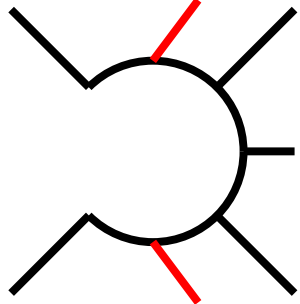
# Summary and Outlook



- Precision jet observables allow for many pheno applications!
- First NNLO QCD phenomenology results for three jet production R32 ratios, azimuthal decorrelation, event-shapes
  - Future application to  $\alpha_S$  extraction



- Sector improved residue subtraction
- Pragmatic divide and conquer technique
  - Many technical improvements: phase space, NWA & DPA, oneloop-interfaces, fragmentation,...



- Flavoured jet observables
- New proposed flavour safe version of anti-kT
  - Phenomenological applications to Z+b-jet, top-quark pairs
  - Many more applications ahead: W+c-jet, open-b's,...

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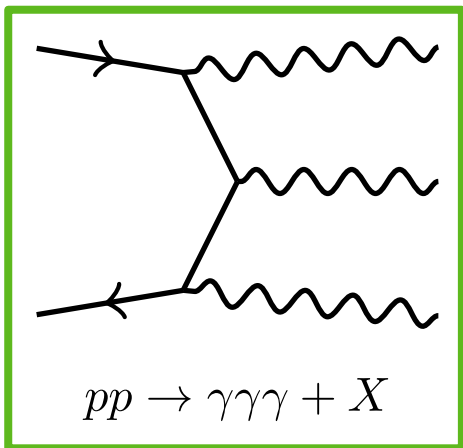
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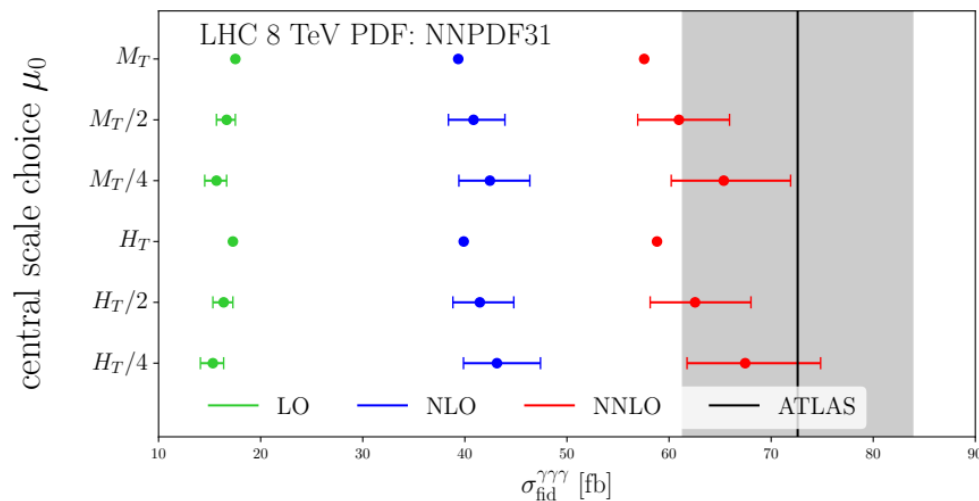
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# Three photon production

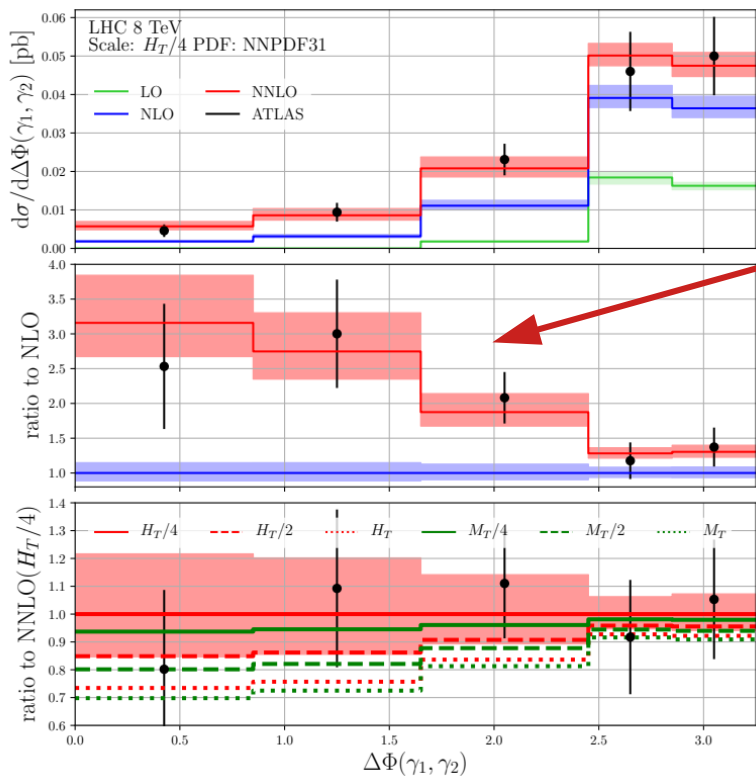


- First NNLO QCD  $2 \rightarrow 3$  cross sections: [Chowdhry'19],[Kallweit'20]
- Simplest among the  $2 \rightarrow 3$  massless cases: colour singlet
- Planar Two-loop virtuals:  
 $2 \text{Re}(\mathcal{M}^{(0)\dagger} \mathcal{F}^{(2)})$  with 'original' pentagon functions [Henn'18]  
 $\rightarrow$  Fast helicity amplitudes: [Abreu'20],[Chowdhry'20]

- Large NNLO/NLO K-factors
- Similar behaviour as  $pp \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
- **NNLO QCD corrections essential for theory/data comparison**
- Contribution of 2-loop amps small  $\approx 1\%$

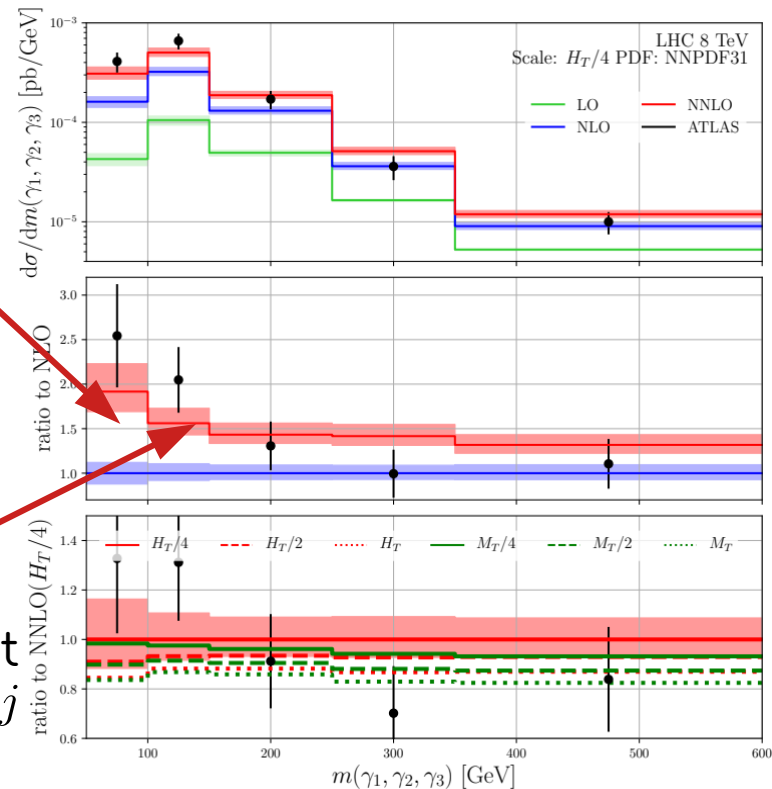


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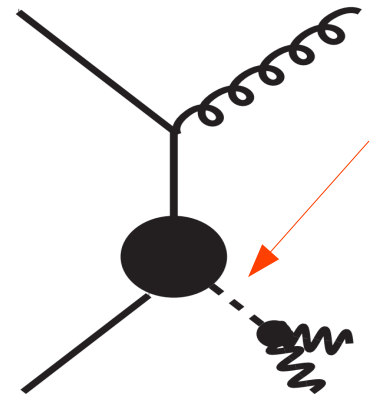
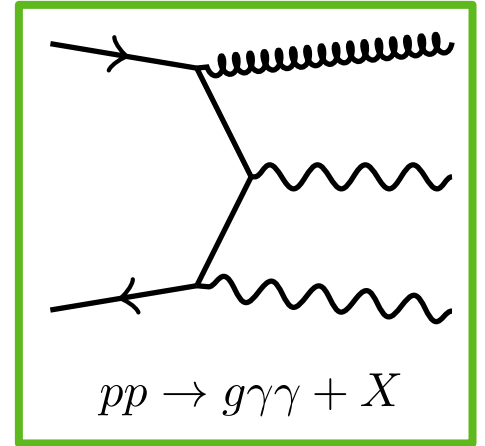
Corrections to shape and normalization

Typical for colour singlets: Scale uncertainty stays large. Very different for  $pp \rightarrow j\gamma\gamma, pp \rightarrow jjj$



# Diphoton plus jet production

- Photon pair production @ LHC is of particular interest:
  - Main background to cleanest Higgs decay channel
- Inclusive diphoton show large NNLO QCD corrections
  - Perturbative convergence @ N3LO?  
First steps: [Chen's talk at RADCOR+Loopfest2021]
  - Diphoton plus jet @ NNLO QCD ( $p_T(\gamma\gamma) \rightarrow 0$  limit)
- $p_T(\gamma\gamma)$  spectrum itself interesting for Higgs  $\rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  :
  - Higgs  $-p_T$  measurements resolve local Higgs couplings  $\rightarrow$  BSM searches
  - Angular diphoton observables  $\rightarrow$  spin measurements



# Diphoton plus jet - setup

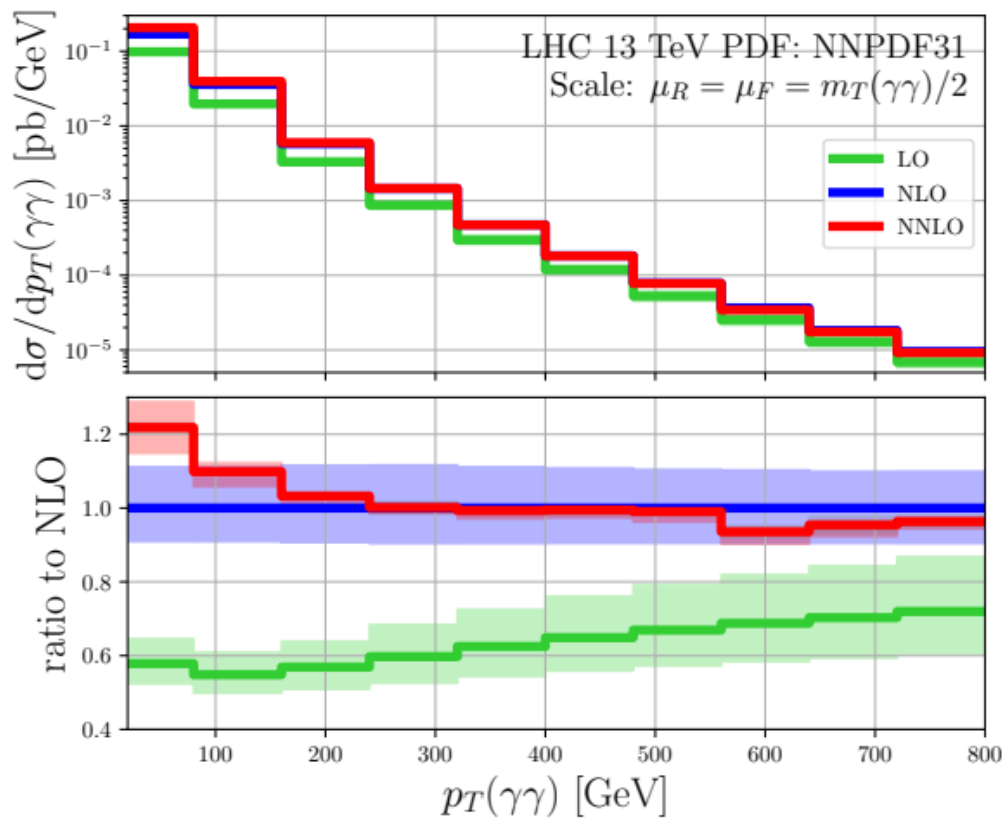
[Chawdhry'21]: Inspired by Higgs  $\rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  measurement phase spaces

- Smooth photon isolation criteria:  $E_T = 10 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $R_\gamma = 0.4$ ,  $\Delta R(\gamma, \gamma) > 0.4$
- $p_T(\gamma_1) > 30 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $p_T(\gamma_2) > 18 \text{ GeV}$  and  $|y(\gamma)| < 2.4$
- $m(\gamma\gamma) > 90 \text{ GeV}$  and  $p_T(\gamma\gamma) > 20 \text{ GeV}$ , below resummation important
- No further restrictions on jets (IR safety from  $p_T(\gamma\gamma)$  cut)

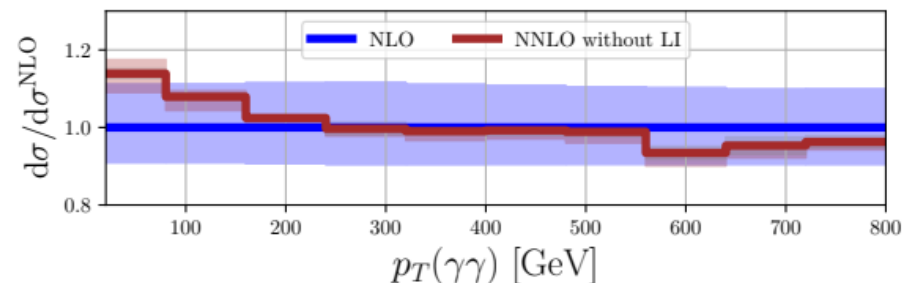
Technicalities:

- LHC 13 TeV, PDF: NNPDF31, Scale:  $\mu_R^2 = \mu_F^2 = \frac{1}{4}m_T^2(\gamma\gamma) = \frac{1}{4}(m(\gamma\gamma)^2 + p_T(\gamma\gamma)^2)$
- 5 massless flavours and top-quarks (in all one-loop amps)
- Approximation of two-loop amps:  
 $2 \text{Re}(\mathcal{M}^{(0)\dagger} \mathcal{F}^{(2)}) + \mathcal{F}^{(1)\dagger} \mathcal{F}^{(1)}$  without top-quark loops  
and  $2 \text{Re}(\mathcal{M}^{(0)\dagger} \mathcal{F}^{(2)})$  in leading colour limit [Chawdhry'21]  
 $\rightarrow$  Update to full colour planned [Agarwal'21]

# Diphoton plus jet – $p_T$ spectrum

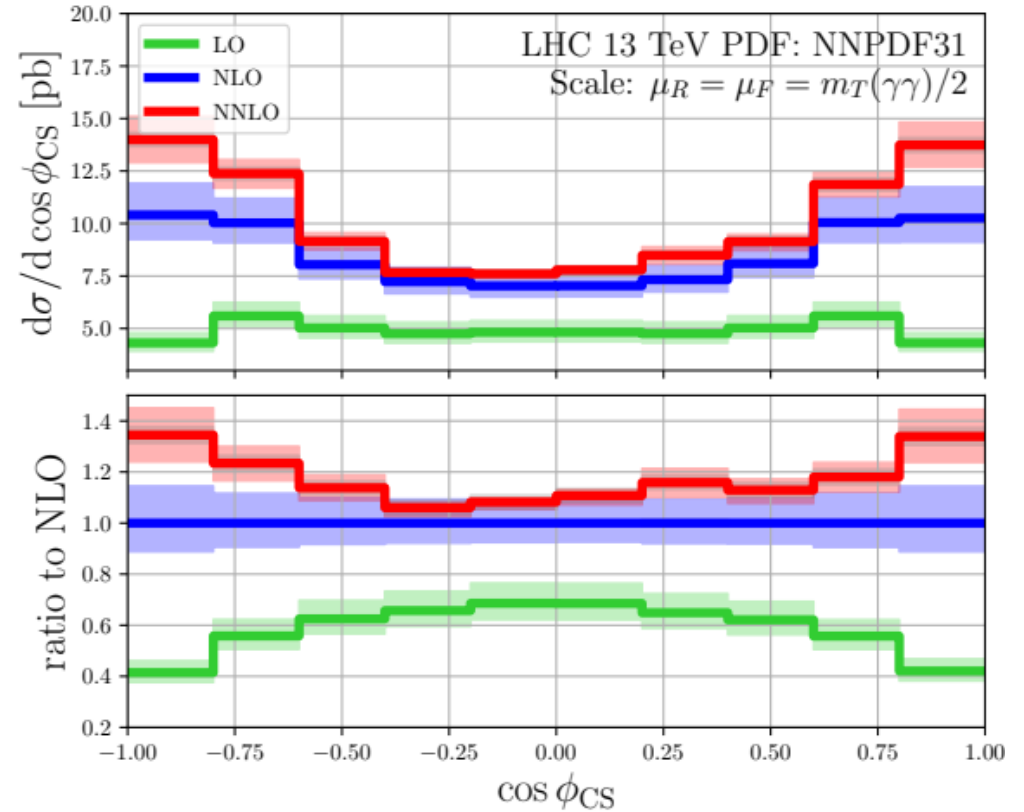
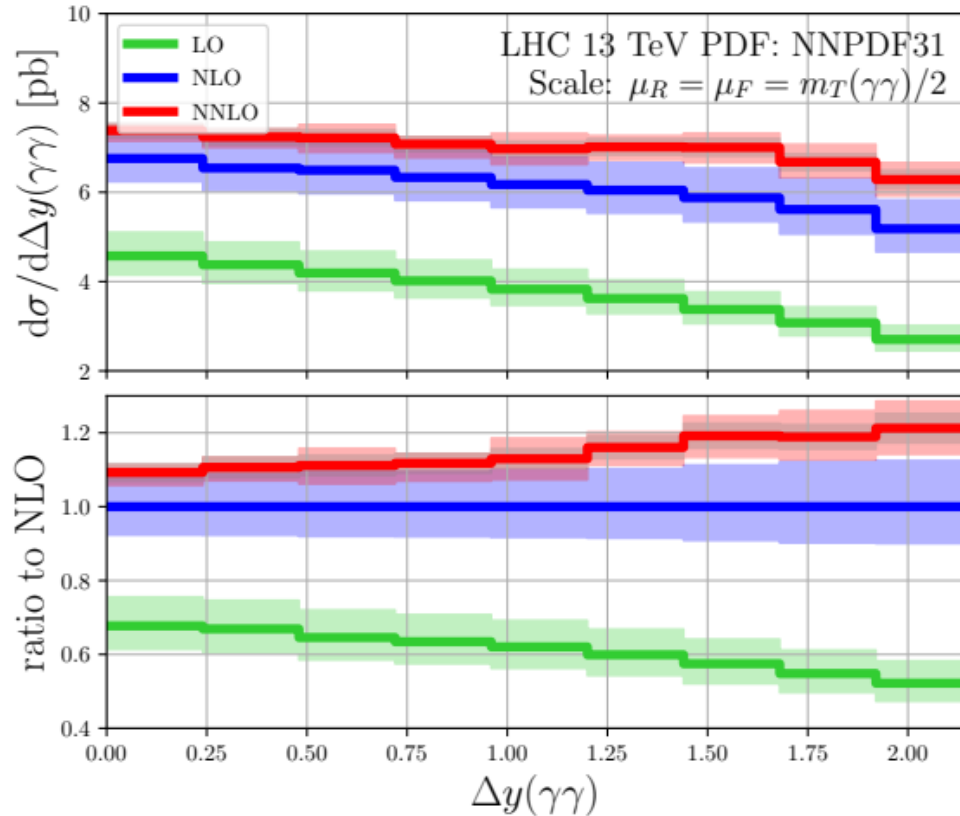


- Beautiful perturbative convergence
- Scale dependence:  
NLO: ~10%  
NNLO: ~1-2%
- Low  $p_T$  region:
  - ? Resummation for  $p_T(\gamma\gamma)/m(\gamma\gamma) \ll 1$
  - Strong effect from the loop induced!



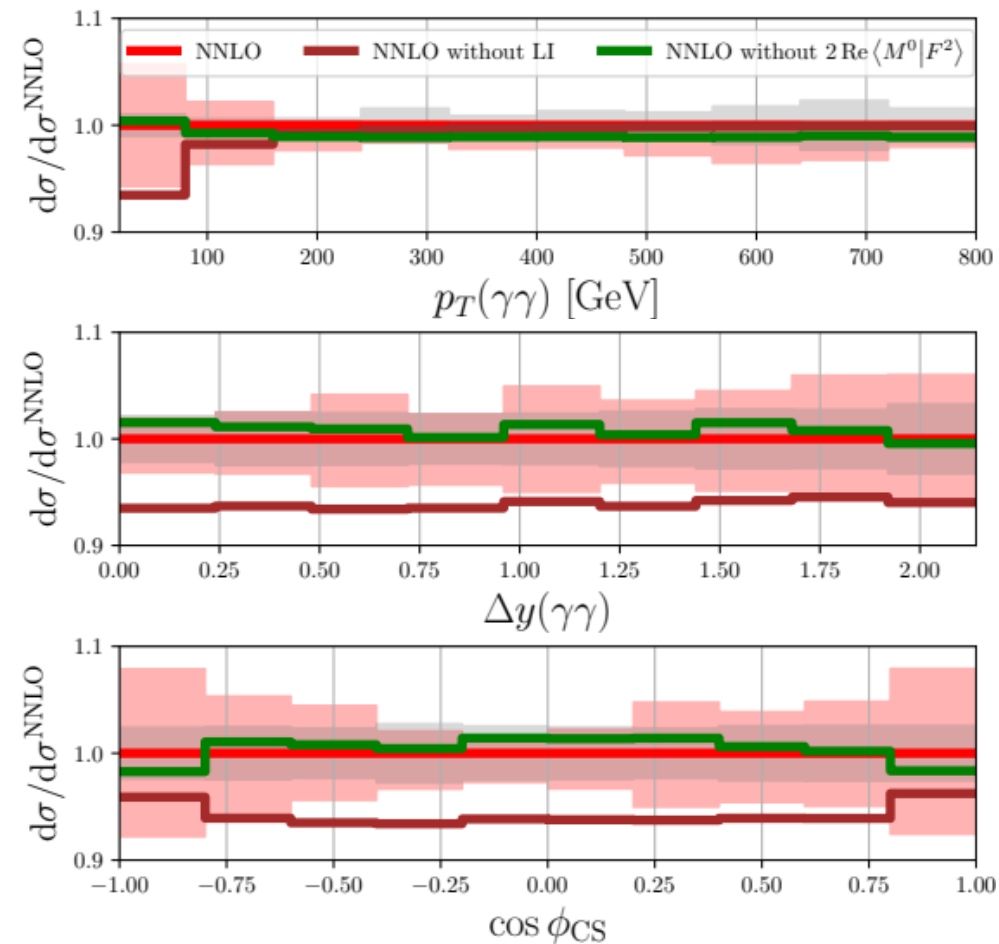


# Diphoton plus jet – Angular observables



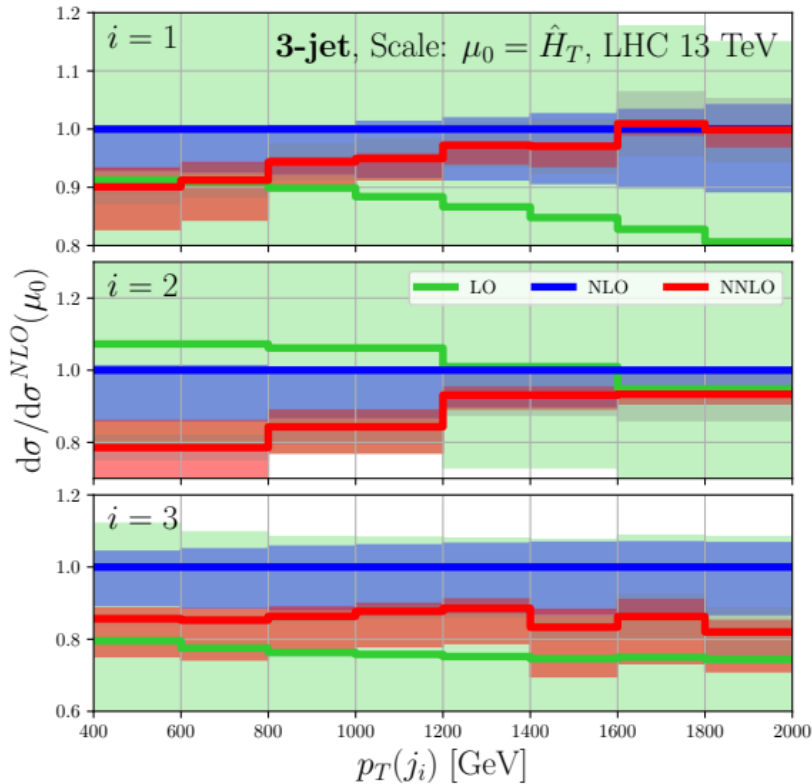
Note: Normalization affected by low  $p_T$  behaviour

# Diphoton plus jet – two-loop contribution



- Two-loop contribution (green line)  $< \sim 1\%$ ,
- **Loop induced contribution:**
  - sizeable effects for low  $p_T$ , vanishes for high  $p_T$
  - flat effect in ‘bulk’ observables
  - Dominant source of scale dependence
  - NLO QCD correction (formally N3LO) relevant,  
**missing piece:**  $gg \rightarrow g\gamma\gamma$  two-loop [Badger’21]

# Three jet production – transverse jet momenta



- $p_T(j_2)$ :
  - suffers from slow MC convergence, larger binning
  - shows reasonable perturbative convergence
- $p_T(j_3)$ :
  - fast MC convergence
  - flat k-factor

## Caveat:

- Scale choice based on full event
- reasonable for  $p_T(j_1)$  and  $p_T(j_2)$
- $p_T(j_3) \ll p_T(j_1) + p_T(j_2)$ 
  - potentially large hierarchy?
- investigation with ‘jet-based’ scale useful

# Sector decomposition II

Divide and conquer the phase space:

→ Each  $\mathcal{S}_{ij,k}/\mathcal{S}_{i,k;j,l}$  has simpler divergences.  
Soft and collinear (w.r.t parton k,l) of partons i and j

→ Parametrization w.r.t. reference parton:

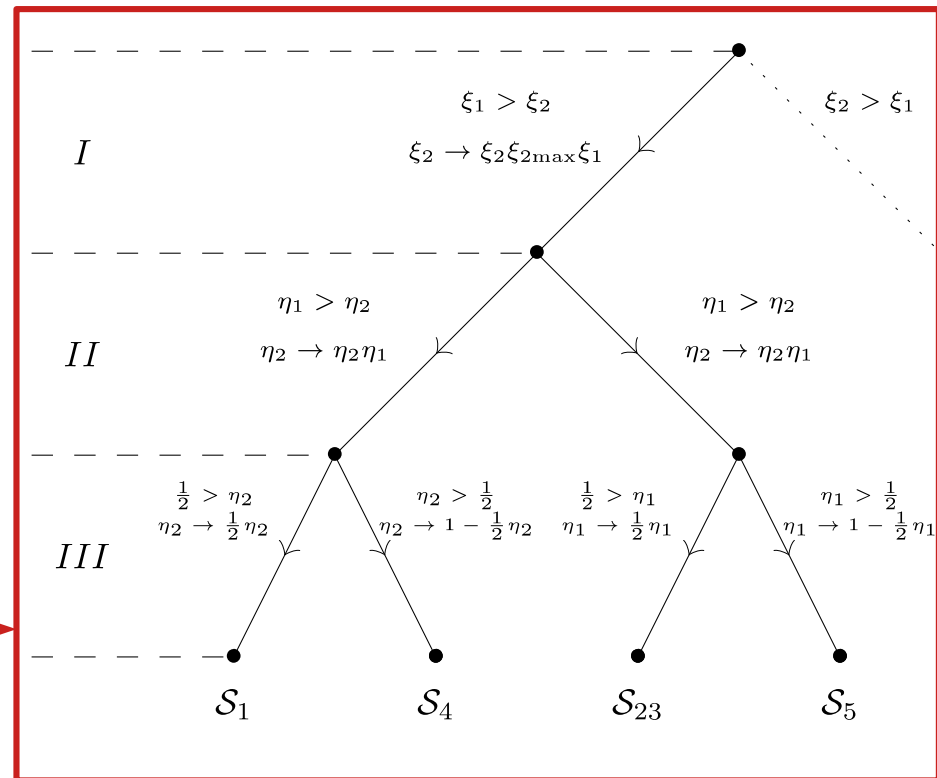
$$\hat{\eta}_i = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos \theta_{ir}) \in [0, 1] \quad \hat{\xi}_i = \frac{u_i^0}{u_{\max}^0} \in [0, 1]$$

→ Subdivide to factorize divergences

→ double soft factorization:

$$\theta(u_1^0 - u_2^0) + \theta(u_2^0 - u_1^0)$$

→ triple collinear factorization



[Czakon'10, Caola'17]

# Improved phase space generation

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Phase space cut and differential observable introduce

*mis-binning*: mismatch between kinematics in subtraction terms

→ leads to increased variance of the integrand

→ slow Monte Carlo convergence

New phase space parametrization [Czakon'19]:

Minimization of # of different subtraction kinematics in each sector

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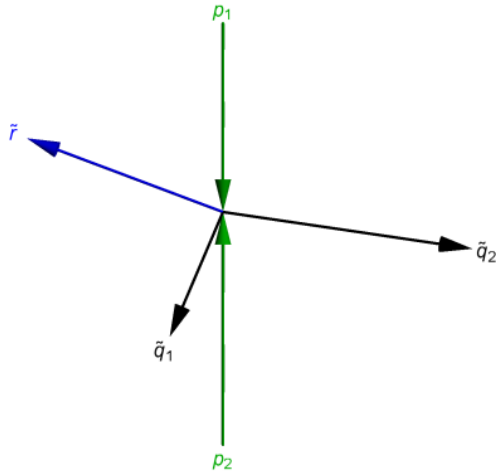
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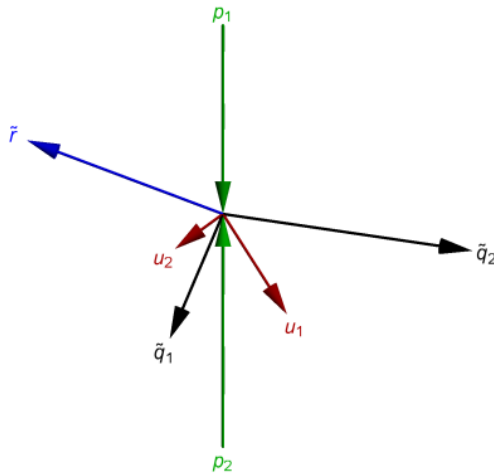
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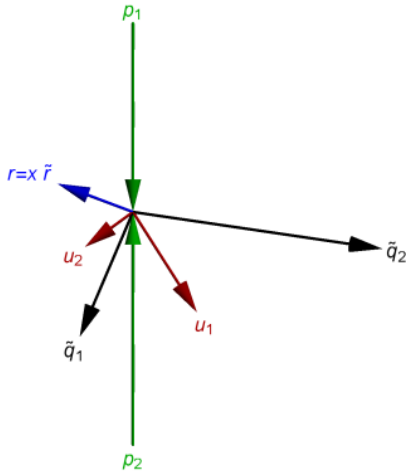
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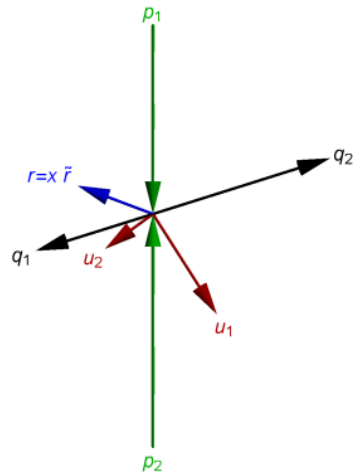
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