

BOTTOM-QUARK HADROPRODUCTION

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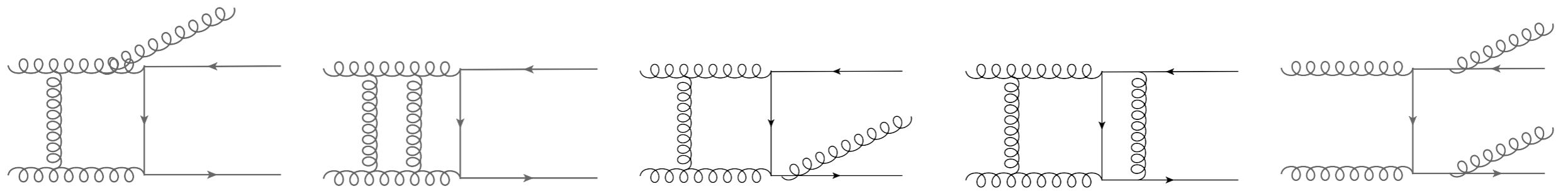
IN NNLO QCD



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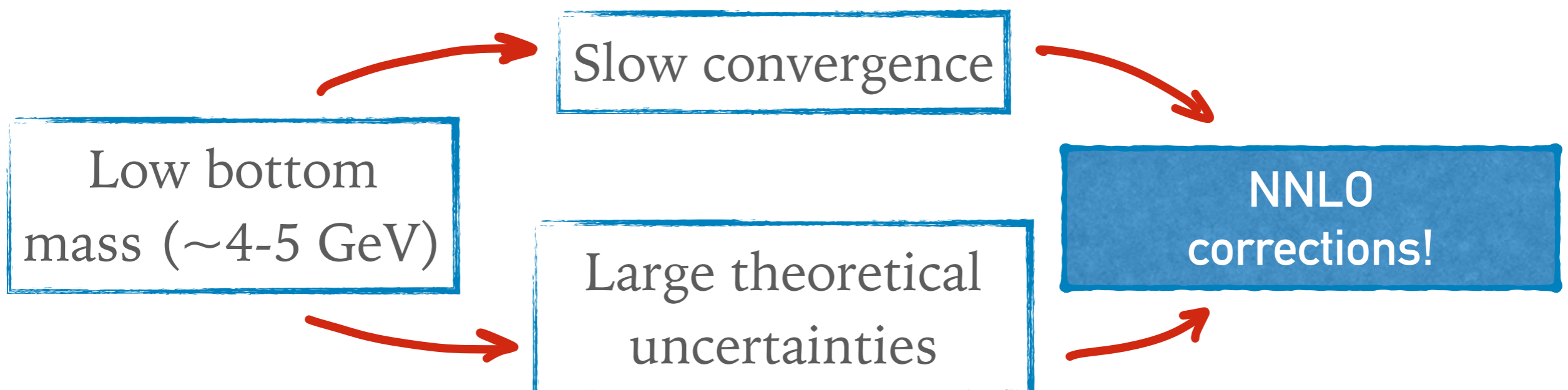
BOTTOM-QUARK PRODUCTION AT HADRON COLLIDERS

Bottom-quark production is extensively studied at hadron colliders:

- CERN $Sp\bar{p}S$;
- Tevatron (CDF, D0);
- CERN LHC (ATLAS, CMS, LHCb).



Heavy-quark production classic test of perturbative QCD!



THEORETICAL STATUS: SHORT OVERVIEW

► NLO QCD:

[Nason, Dawson, Ellis; '88], [W. Beenakker, H. Kuijf, W. L. van Neerven, and J. Smith; '89], [P. Nason, S. Dawson, and R. K. Ellis; '90], [...]:

► b-hadron production:

[B. A. Kniehl, G. Kramer, I. Schienbein, and H. Spiesberger; 1109.2472], [G. Kramer and H. Spiesberger; 1809.04297];

► Resummation:

[M. Cacciari and M. Greco; 9311260];

► FONNL:

[M. Cacciari, M. Greco, and P. Nason; 9803400], [M. Cacciari, S. Frixione, N. Houdeau, M. L. Mangano, P. Nason, and G. Ridolfi; 1205.6344];

► NNLO QCD - total cross section:

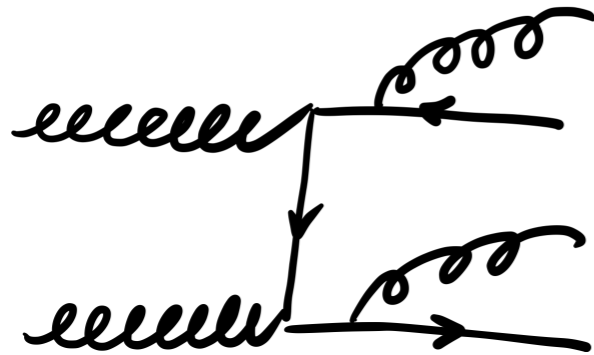
Results can be obtained with HATHOR [M. Aliev, H. Lacker, U. Langenfeld, S. Moch, P. Uwer, and M. Wiedermann; 1007.1327], which implements the computation of [Czakon et al.; 1204.5201, 1207.0236, 1210.6832, 1303.6254];

► **Differential NNLO QCD**

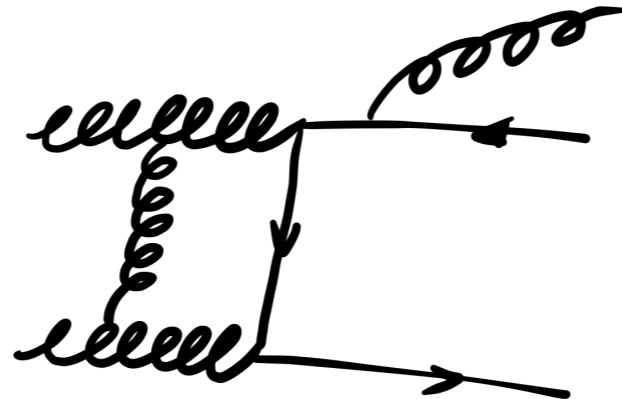
[S. Catani, SD, M. Grazzini, S. Kallweit, J. Mazzitelli; 2010.11906]

BOTTOM QUARK PRODUCTION AT NNLO – INGREDIENTS

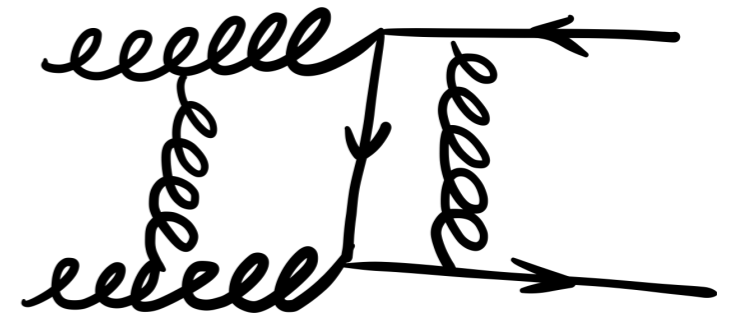
DOUBLE REAL



REAL-VIRTUAL



TWO LOOP VIRTUAL



Fast and stable evaluation with OPENLOOPS 2
[Cascioli et al. (2012), Buccioni et al. (2018), Buccioni et al. (2019)]

Numerically available
[Czakon (2008); Barnreuther et al. (2013)]

IR divergent

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IR divergences cancel once all contributions are combined (KLN theorem) but they do not allow a straightforward implementation of **numerical techniques**.


We need a method to handle and cancel **IR singularities**!

SUBTRACTION METHODS

► NLO methods:

- *Catani-Seymour dipole subtraction* [S. Catani, M. Seymour (1996)]
- *FKS subtraction* [S. Frixione, Z. Kunszt, A. Signer (1996)]
- ...

► NNLO methods:

- *CoLoRFulNNLO* [G. Somogyi, Z. Trocsanyi, V. Del Duca (2005)]
- *Antenna subtraction* [T. Gehrmann, A. Gehrmann-De Ridder, N. Glover (2005)]
-  *q_T subtraction formalism* [S. Catani, M. Grazzini (2007)]
- *STRIPPER formalism* [M. Czakon (2010); Boughezal et al (2011)]
- *N-jettiness subtraction* [Boughezal, et al. (2015); Gaunt et al. (2015)]
- *Projection to Born* [M. Cacciari, F. A. Dreyer, A. Karlberg, G. P. Salam (2015)]
- *Nested soft-collinear* [F. Caola, K. Melnikov, R. Röntsch, (2017)]
- *Geometric subtraction* [F. Herzog (2018)]
- *Local analytic sector* [L. Magnea et al. (2018)]
- ...

q_T SUBTRACTION FORMALISM

[S. Catani, M. Grazzini (2007)]

The q_T subtraction formalism is a method to handle and cancel IR divergences, originally developed for **colourless** final states.

$$d\sigma_{(N)NLO}^F = d\sigma_{(N)NLO}^F \Big|_{q_T=0} + d\sigma_{(N)NLO}^F \Big|_{q_T \neq 0}$$

$q_T =$ transverse momentum of the system F

$$d\sigma_{(N)LO}^{F+jets}$$

$$d\sigma_{(N)NLO}^F = \mathcal{H}_{(N)NLO}^F \otimes d\sigma_{LO}^F + \left[d\sigma_{(N)LO}^{F+jets} - d\sigma_{(N)LO}^{CT} \right]$$

HARD COLLINEAR COEFFICIENT
Contains information on virtual corrections to the process.

Singularities for $q_t \neq 0$ can be computed with NLO subtraction techniques.

Extra singularities of NNLO type associated to the $q_t \rightarrow 0$ limit need additional subtraction. IR behaviour known from q_t resummation formalism allow us to construct a counterterm.

[J. C. Collins, D. E. Soper, G. Sterman (1985), G. Bozzi, S. Catani, D. de Florian, M. Grazzini: arXiv:0508068]

q_T SUBTRACTION FORMALISM FOR HEAVY QUARK PRODUCTION

With the inclusion of extra contributions, q_T subtraction formalism can be extended to **massive coloured** final states.

$$d\sigma_{NNLO}^{Q\bar{Q}} = \mathcal{H}_{NNLO}^{Q\bar{Q}} \otimes d\sigma_{LO}^{Q\bar{Q}} + \left[d\sigma_{NLO}^{Q\bar{Q}+jets} - d\sigma_{NNLO}^{CT} \right]$$

Hard Collinear Coefficient

Computable with NLO subtraction techniques.

IR behaviour known from studies in q_T resummation
[A. Ferroglia, M. Neubert, B. D. Pecjak, L. L. Yang (2009)];
[Hai Tao Li, Chong Sheng Li, Ding Yu Shao, Li Lin Yang, Hua Xing Zu (2013)];

Contains the integrations of the additional final-state soft singularities.
It was recently computed by some of us.

[S. Catani, SD, M. Grazzini, J. Mazzitelli, in preparation. See also R. Angeles-Martinez, M. Czakon, S. Sapeta (2018)]

THE MATRIX PROJECT

MUNICH

MUlti-ChaNNel Integrator at Swiss (CH) precision

OPENLOOPS

(Collier, CutTools...)

TWO-LOOP AMPLITUDES

(VVamp, GiNaC, tdhpl...)

q_T subtraction



q_T resummation



MATRIX

Munich Automates q_T subtraction and Resummation to Integrate X-sections

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[devoto:/mnt/runs2/devoto/MATRIX_v1.0.0] ./matrix
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Version: 1.0.0
Reference: arXiv:1711.06631

Nov 2017

Munich -- the MULti-chaNnel Integrator at swiss (CH) precision --
Automates qT-subtraction and Resummation to Integrate X-sections



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MATRIX is based on a number of different computations and tools
from various people and groups. Please acknowledge their efforts
by citing the list of references which is created with every run.

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<<MATRIX-READ>> Type process_id to be compiled and created. Type "list" to show
available processes. Try pressing TAB for auto-completion. Type
"exit" or "quit" to stop.
|=====>> list

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process_id || process || description
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ppz01      >> p p --> Z      >> on-shell Z production
ppw01      >> p p --> W^-    >> on-shell W- production with CKM
ppwx01     >> p p --> W^+    >> on-shell W+ production with CKM
ppeex02    >> p p --> e^- e^+ >> Z production with decay
ppnenex02  >> p p --> v_e^- v_e^+ >> Z production with decay
ppenex02   >> p p --> e^- v_e^+ >> W- production with decay and CKM
ppexne02   >> p p --> e^+ v_e^- >> W+ production with decay and CKM
ppaa02     >> p p --> gamma gamma >> gamma gamma production
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ppnenexa03 >> p p --> v_e^- v_e^+ gamma >> Z gamma production with decay
ppenexa03  >> p p --> e^- v_e^+ gamma >> W- gamma production with decay
ppexnea03  >> p p --> e^+ v_e^- gamma >> W+ gamma production with decay
ppzz02     >> p p --> Z Z      >> on-shell ZZ production
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[M.Grazzini, S. Kallweit,
M. Wiesemann:
arXiv 1711.06631]

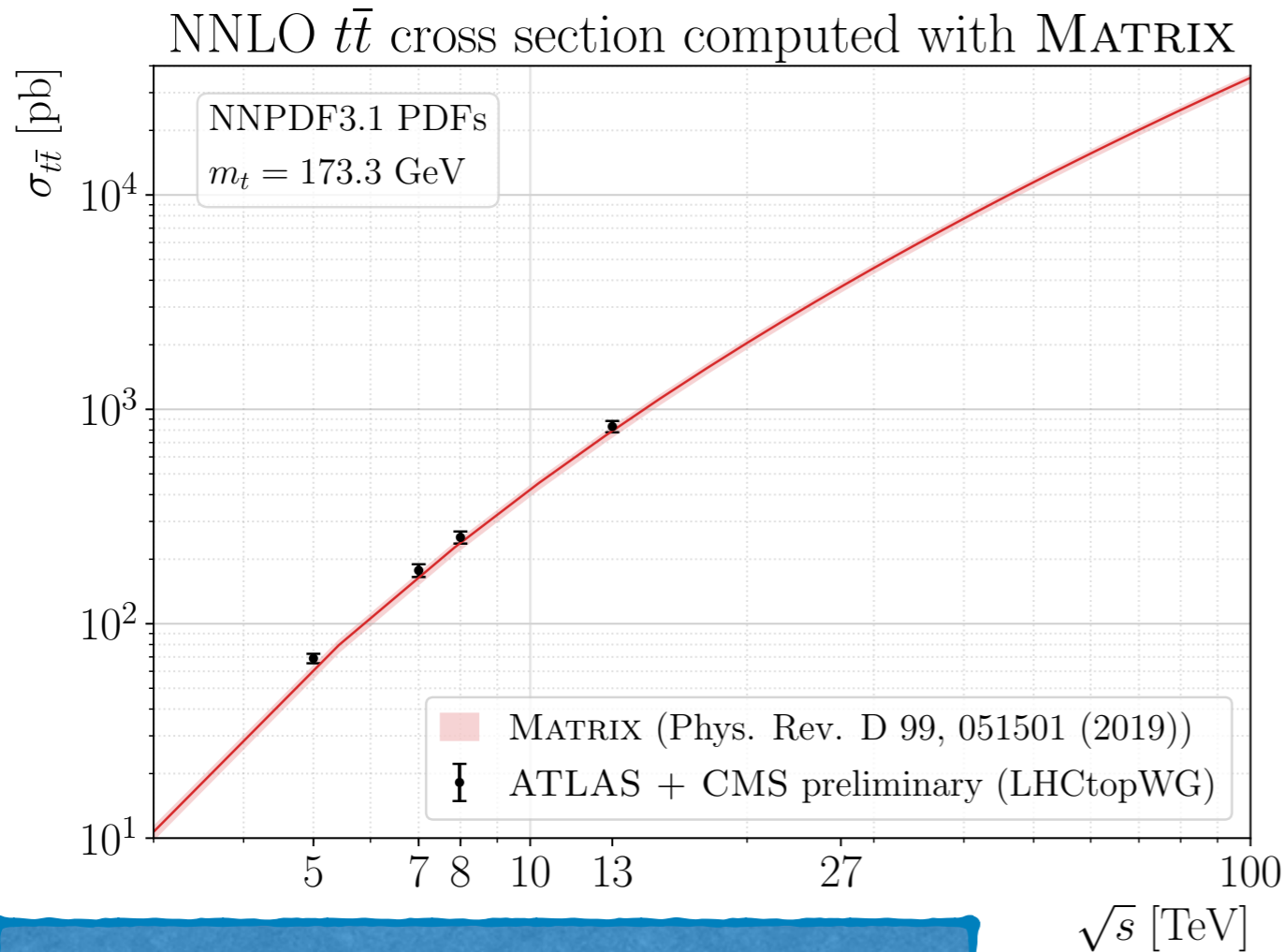
MATRIX 1.0.0

Public code that allows the evaluation
of fully differential cross sections at
NNLO QCD for a wide class of
processes with **colourless** final state.

- $pp \rightarrow H$
- $pp \rightarrow Z/\gamma^* (\rightarrow l^+l^-)$
- $pp \rightarrow W$ ($\rightarrow l^+ \nu$)
- $pp \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
- $pp \rightarrow Z\gamma \rightarrow l^+l^- \gamma$
- $pp \rightarrow W\gamma \rightarrow l \nu \gamma$
- $pp \rightarrow ZZ (\rightarrow 4l)$
- $pp \rightarrow WW (\rightarrow l\nu l'\nu')$
- $pp \rightarrow ZZ/WW \rightarrow ll\nu\nu$
- $pp \rightarrow WZ \rightarrow l\nu ll$

TOP QUARK PRODUCTION IN MATRIX

[S. Catani, SD, M. Grazzini, S. Kallweit, J. Mazzitelli, H. Sargsyan (2019)]



Inclusive cross section can be compared with the results of TOP++

σ_{NNLO} [pb]	MATRIX	TOP++
8 TeV	238.5(2) ^{+3.9%} _{-6.3%}	238.6 ^{+4%} _{-6.3%}
13 TeV	794.0(8) ^{+3.5%} _{-5.7%}	794.0 ^{+3.5%} _{-5.7%}
100 TeV	35215(74) ^{+2.8%} _{-4.7%}	35216 ^{+2.9%} _{-4.8%}

Statistical + systematic uncertainties

Scale uncertainties

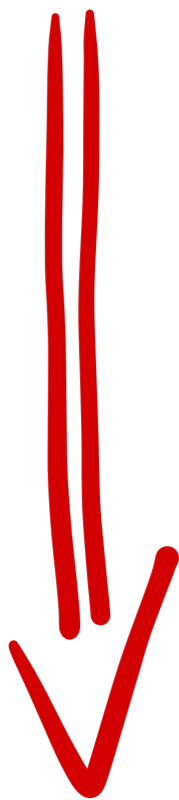
Per-mille accuracy in ~ 1000 CPU days

- **Inclusive cross section** \sim S. Catani, SD, M. Grazzini, S. Kallweit, J. Mazzitelli, H. Sargsyan: Phys.Rev.D 99 (2019) 5, 051501
- **Differential Distributions** \sim S. Catani, SD, M. Grazzini, S. Kallweit, J. Mazzitelli: JHEP 07 (2019) 100
- **Predictions in the $\overline{\text{MS}}$ scheme** \sim S. Catani, SD, M. Grazzini, S. Kallweit, J. Mazzitelli: JHEP 08 (2020) 08, 027

A TOP-BOTTOM APPROACH

[S. Catani, SD, M. Grazzini, S. Kallweit,
J. Mazzitelli: JHEP 03 (2021) 029]

TOP quark



BOTTOM quark

Implementation of **bottom-pair** production in the MATRIX framework:

Extend the implementation of **top-pair** production to:

- lower heavy quark **mass**: $m = 173.3 \text{ GeV} \rightarrow m = 4.92 \text{ GeV}$
- different **number of light flavours**: $n_f = 5 \rightarrow n_f = 4$

Massive bottom quark, top quark decoupled from the process

Two-loop grid [Czakon (2008); Barnreuther et al. (2013)] so far used only for top-pair production.

Is the phase space sufficiently sampled also for bottom-pair production?

- Effect of the two loop contribution: $\mathcal{O}(1\%)$
- Effect of reducing the number of points of the grid by a factor of 2: $\mathcal{O}(1\text{‰})$

The results of [Czakon (2008); Barnreuther et al. (2013)]
can be safely used in our computation!

A TOP-BOTTOM APPROACH

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The small mass of the bottom quark might challenge the cancellation of IR singularities

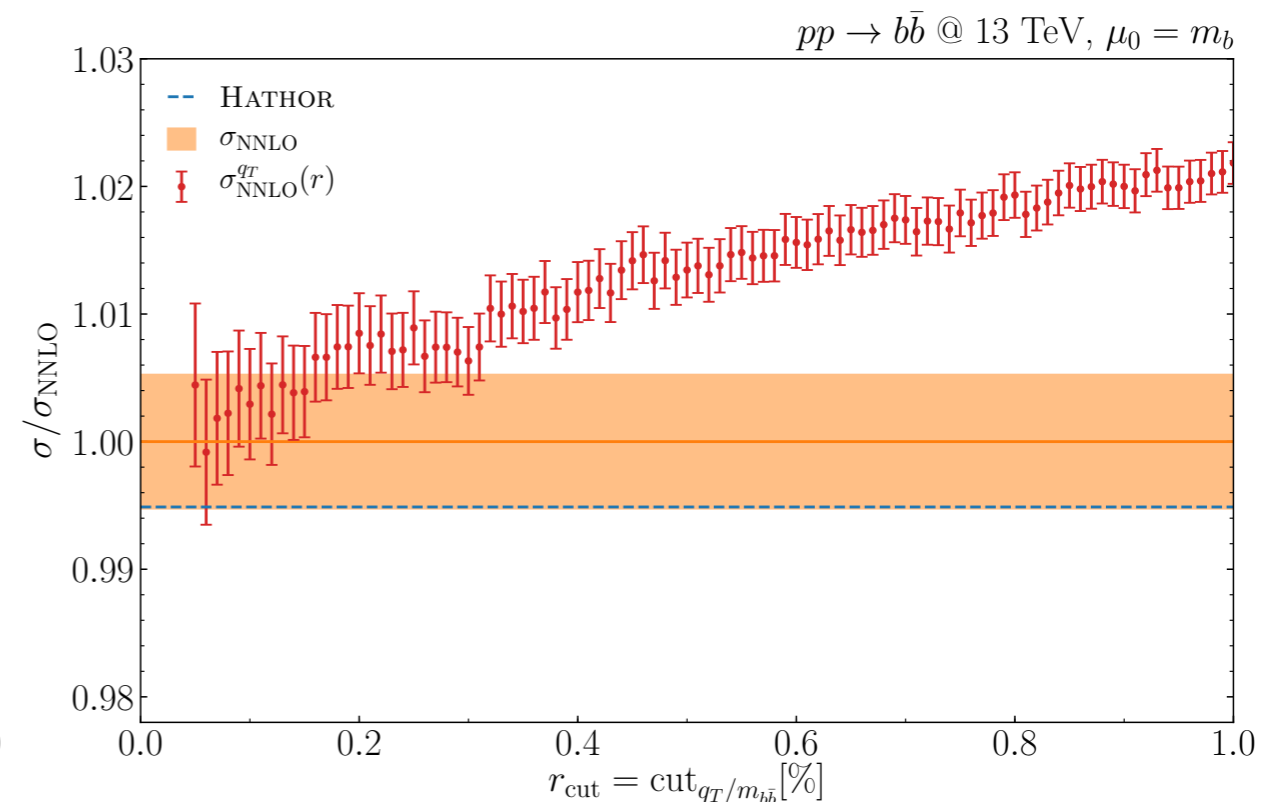
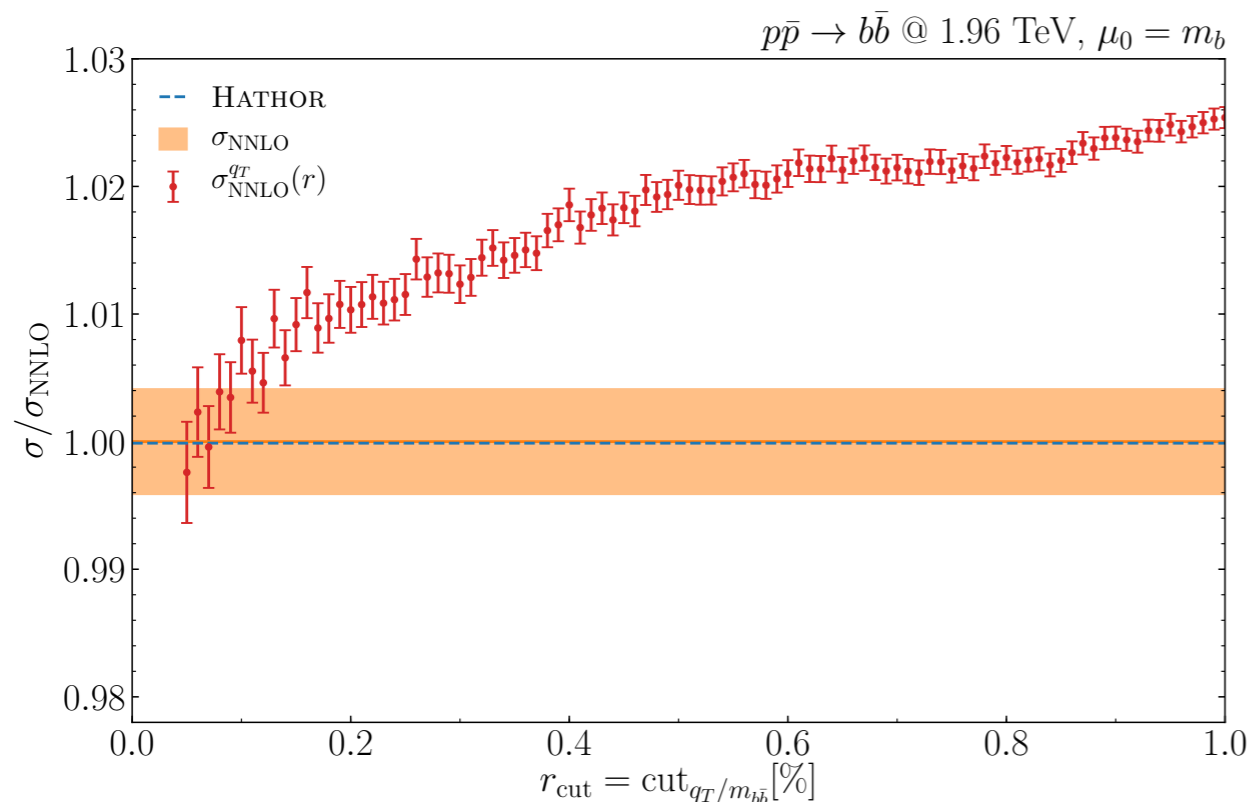
$$d\sigma_{(N)NLO}^F = \mathcal{H}_{(N)NLO}^F \otimes d\sigma_{LO}^F$$

$$+ \left[d\sigma_{(N)LO}^{F+jets} - d\sigma_{(N)LO}^{CT} \right]$$

$d\sigma_{(N)LO}^{F+jets}$ and $d\sigma_{(N)LO}^{CT}$ are separately divergent.
In practice, q_T subtraction is implemented as a **slicing method**:

- introducing a cutoff $r_{cut} = Q/M$;
- performing the limit $r_{cut} \rightarrow 0$

Stability of the subtraction procedure can be understood looking at the r_{cut} dependence:



INCLUSIVE CROSS SECTION

[S. Catani, SD, M. Grazzini, S. Kallweit, J. Mazzitelli: JHEP 03 (2021) 029]

Central scale: $\mu_0 = m_b = 4.92 \text{ GeV}$

7-points scale variations:

$$\frac{1}{2}\mu_0 < \mu_F, \mu_R < 2\mu_0 \quad \frac{1}{2} < \frac{\mu_F}{\mu_R} < 2$$

Excellent agreement with HATHOR [1007.1327]!

$\sigma_{\text{NNLO}} [\mu\text{b}]$	MATRIX	HATHOR
$p\bar{p}$ @ 1.96 TeV	75.4(3) ^{+22%} _{-21%}	75.45 ^{+22%} _{-21%}
pp @ 7 TeV	288(2) ^{+30%} _{-24%}	284.3 ^{+30%} _{-24%}
pp @ 13 TeV	508(3) ^{+32%} _{-25%}	505.5 ^{+32%} _{-25%}

MATRIX PREDICTIONS

$\sigma [\mu\text{b}]$	LO	NLO	NNLO	K_{NLO}	K_{NNLO}
$p\bar{p}$ @ 1.96 TeV	34.66 ^{+51%} _{-32%}	60.23 ^{+54%} _{-28%}	75.4(3) ^{+22%} _{-21%}	1.74	1.25
pp @ 7 TeV	138.7 ^{+51%} _{-46%}	219.8 ^{+61%} _{-39%}	288(2) ^{+30%} _{-24%}	1.58	1.31
pp @ 13 TeV	249.0 ^{+59%} _{-51%}	378.6 ^{+65%} _{-45%}	508(3) ^{+32%} _{-25%}	1.52	1.34

Poor perturbative behaviour:

- large **scale uncertainties**;
- large **K-factors**.



The inclusion of NNLO correction significantly improves both!

K-factor - ratio to the previous perturbative order: $K_{\text{NLO}} = \sigma_{\text{NLO}}/\sigma_{\text{LO}}$ — $K_{\text{NNLO}} = \sigma_{\text{NNLO}}/\sigma_{\text{NLO}}$

DIFFERENTIAL DISTRIBUTIONS

[S. Catani, SD, M. Grazzini, S. Kallweit,
J. Mazzitelli: JHEP 03 (2021) 029]

- We computed single differential distributions at Tevatron (1.96 TeV) and LHC (7 and 13 TeV);
- We reduced theoretical uncertainties by considering **ratios** at different energies;
- We compared the pseudorapidity distribution with recent measurements from LHCb [LHCb-PAPER-2016-031].

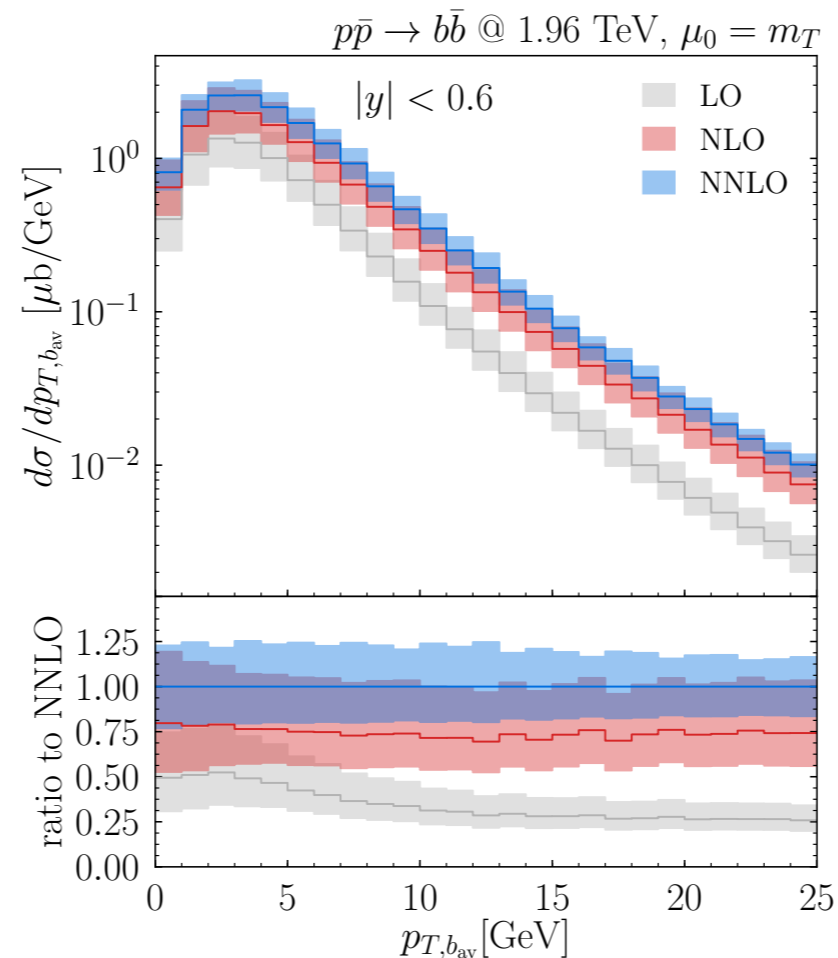
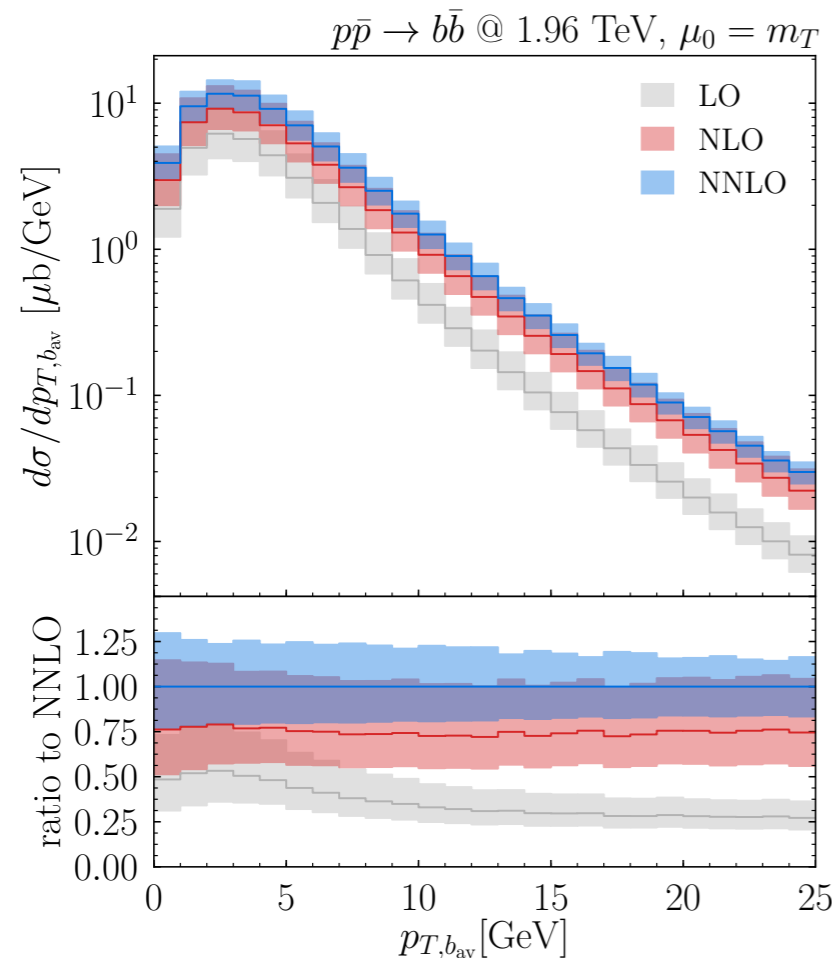
- We considered the **ratio** between predictions at LHC with $\sqrt{s} = 7$ and 13 TeV;
- Theoretical uncertainties are reduced by assuming **correlation** between scale variations at different energies (**reduced sensitivity**).

Renormalisation and factorisation scales, μ_R and μ_F , are chosen of the order of the characteristic hard scale.

Hard scale	
Total cross section	m_b
Rapidity distribution	m_b
Invariant mass distribution	$m_{b\bar{b}}$
Transverse momentum distribution	m_T

DIFFERENTIAL DISTRIBUTIONS: TEVATRON

[S. Catani, SD, M. Grazzini, S. Kallweit, J. Mazzitelli: JHEP 03 (2021) 029]



Total Cross Section with rapidity cut

$$\sigma_{LO}^{b\bar{b}}(|y_{b\bar{b}}| < 0.6) = 7.840(3)^{+51\%}_{-34\%} \mu b$$

$$\sigma_{NLO}^{b\bar{b}}(|y_{b\bar{b}}| < 0.6) = 14.282(6)^{+53\%}_{-28\%} \mu b$$

$$\sigma_{NNLO}^{b\bar{b}}(|y_{b\bar{b}}| < 0.6) = 17.87(12)^{+22\%}_{-21\%} \mu b$$

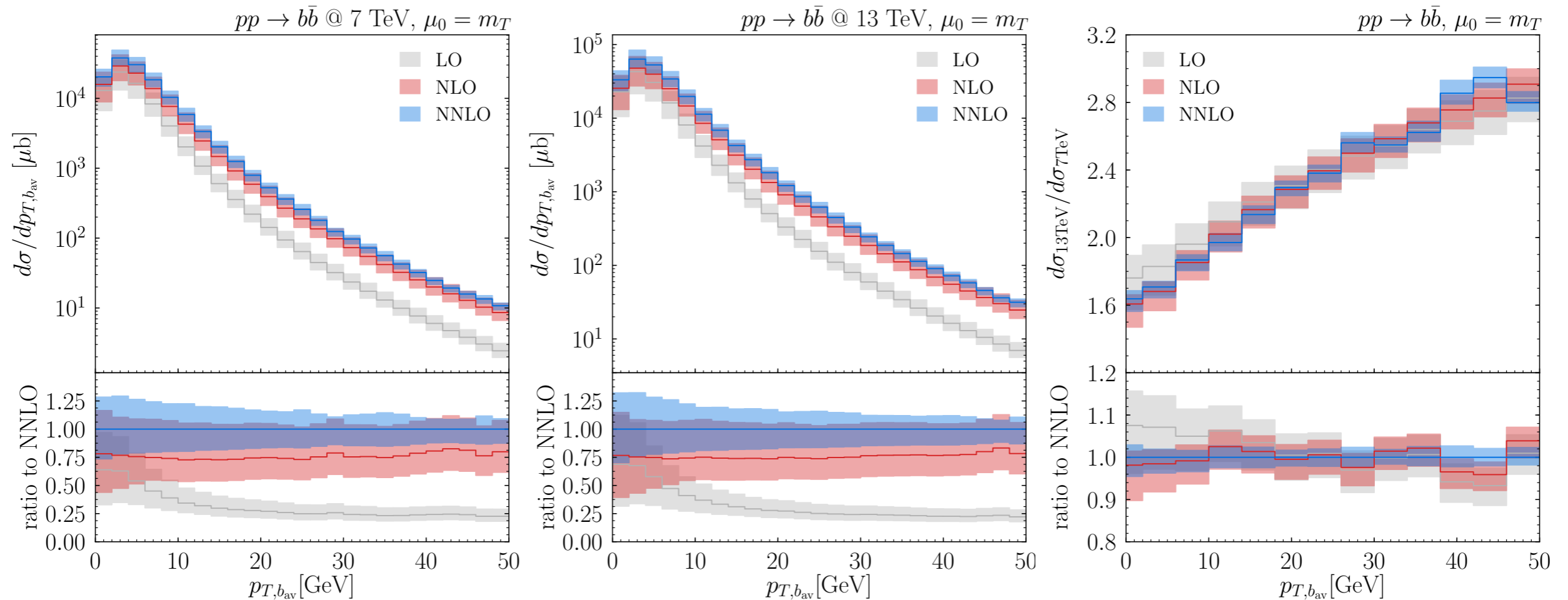
$$\sigma^{H_b}(|y_{H_b}| < 0.6) = 17.6 \pm 0.4^{+2.5}_{-2.3} \mu b$$

(stat.) (syst.)

- LO and NLO compatible only at low p_T , NLO and NNLO compatible in all the phase space;
- The inclusion of a rapidity cut does not change the shape of the distribution;
- Total Cross section with rapidity cut can be compared with **CDF measurements** for b-hadron production [Phys. Rev. D 71 (2005) 032001].

DIFFERENTIAL DISTRIBUTIONS: LHC

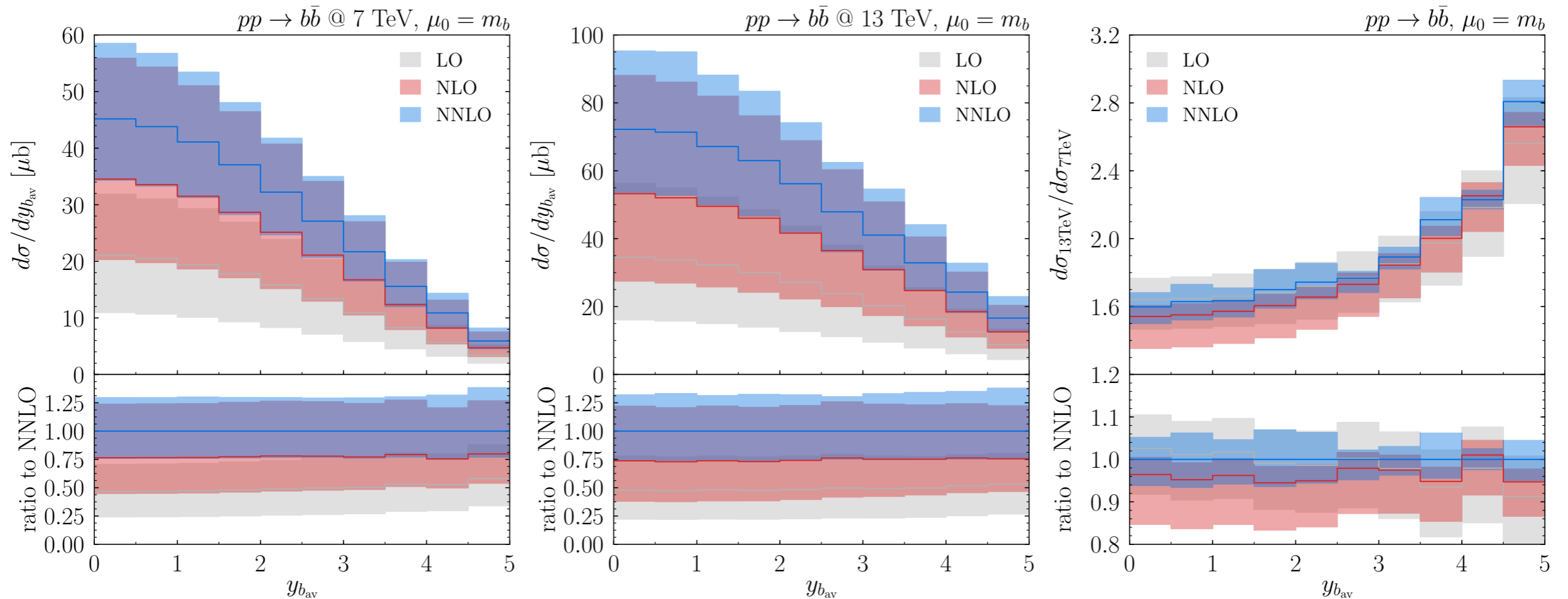
[S. Catani, SD, M. Grazzini, S. Kallweit,
J. Mazzitelli: JHEP 03 (2021) 029]



- LO and NLO compatible only at low p_T , NLO and NNLO compatible in all the phase space;
- Similar behaviour at different energies;
- Strong **reduction of uncertainty bands** in the ratio: from $\sim 30\%$ (at low p_T), $\sim 10\%$ (in the tail) to $\sim 5\%$.

DIFFERENTIAL DISTRIBUTIONS: LHC

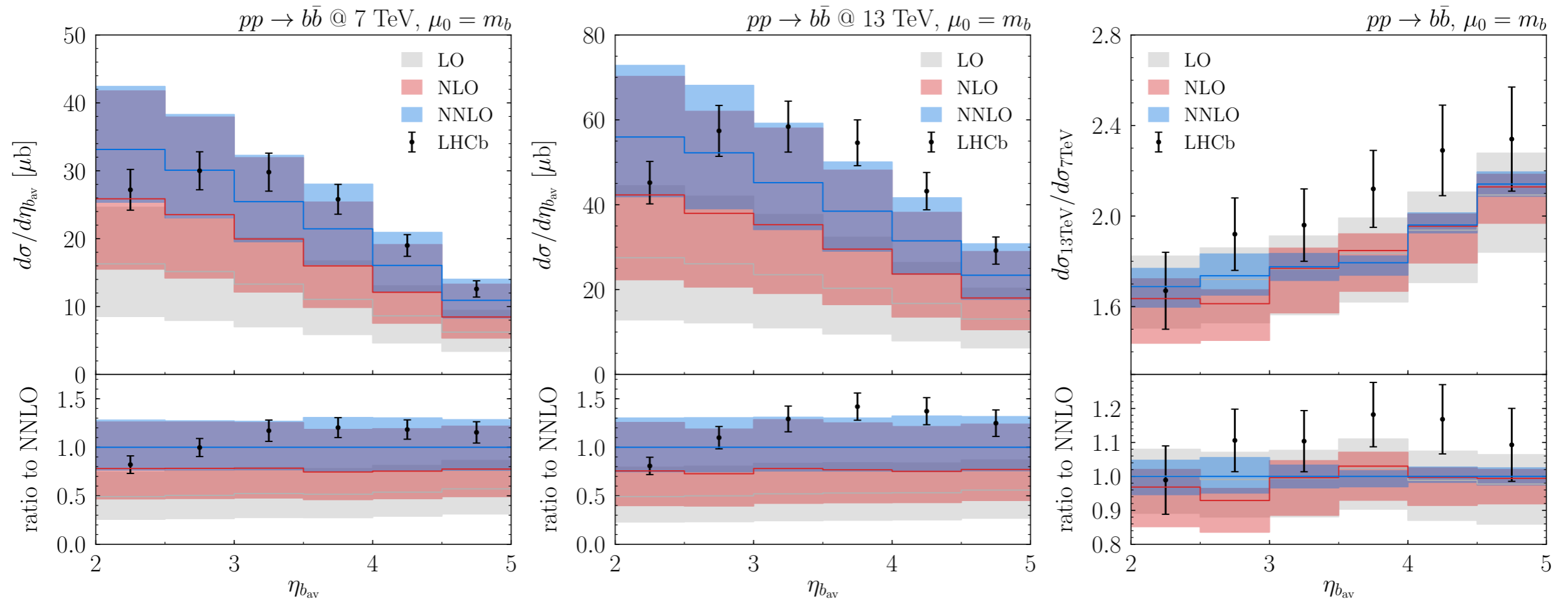
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- Since the impact of QCD correction is **uniform in rapidity**, higher order corrections do not change the shape of the distribution;
- NNLO results completely **overlap** with the NLO predictions and reduce the scale uncertainties;
- The ratio strongly **reduces the scale uncertainties** to $\sim 5\%$.
- The stability of the perturbative expansion in the ratio **confirms** the hypothesis of correlation of the scale variation.

DIFFERENTIAL DISTRIBUTIONS: LHC

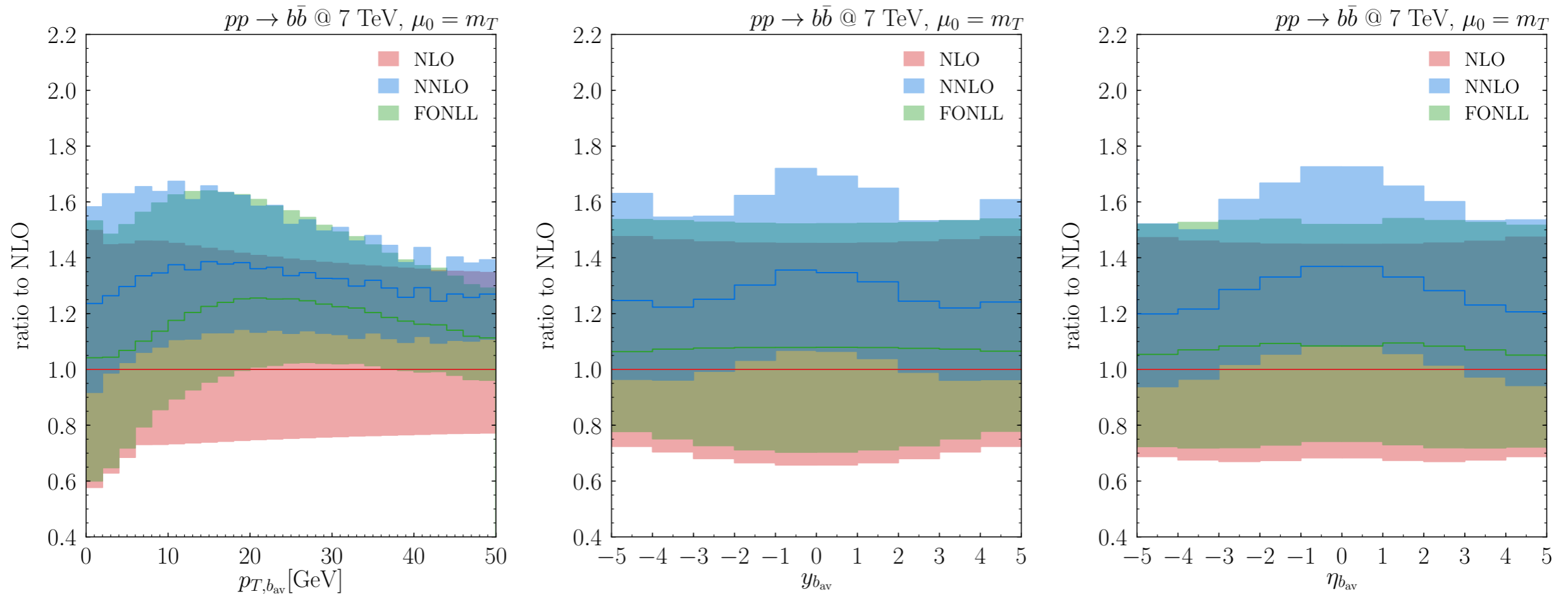
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- We compare with the results presented by the **LHCb collaboration** in [LHCb-PAPER-2016-031];
- Measured distributions **overlap** with NNLO predictions at both energies, but the shape is different.
- In the distributions the theoretical uncertainties are **larger** than the experimental errors, in their ratio the theoretical uncertainties are **smaller** than the experimental errors.
- In the ratio, data systematically **above** prediction (systematic and η -independent uncertainty?).

COMPARISON WITH FONLL

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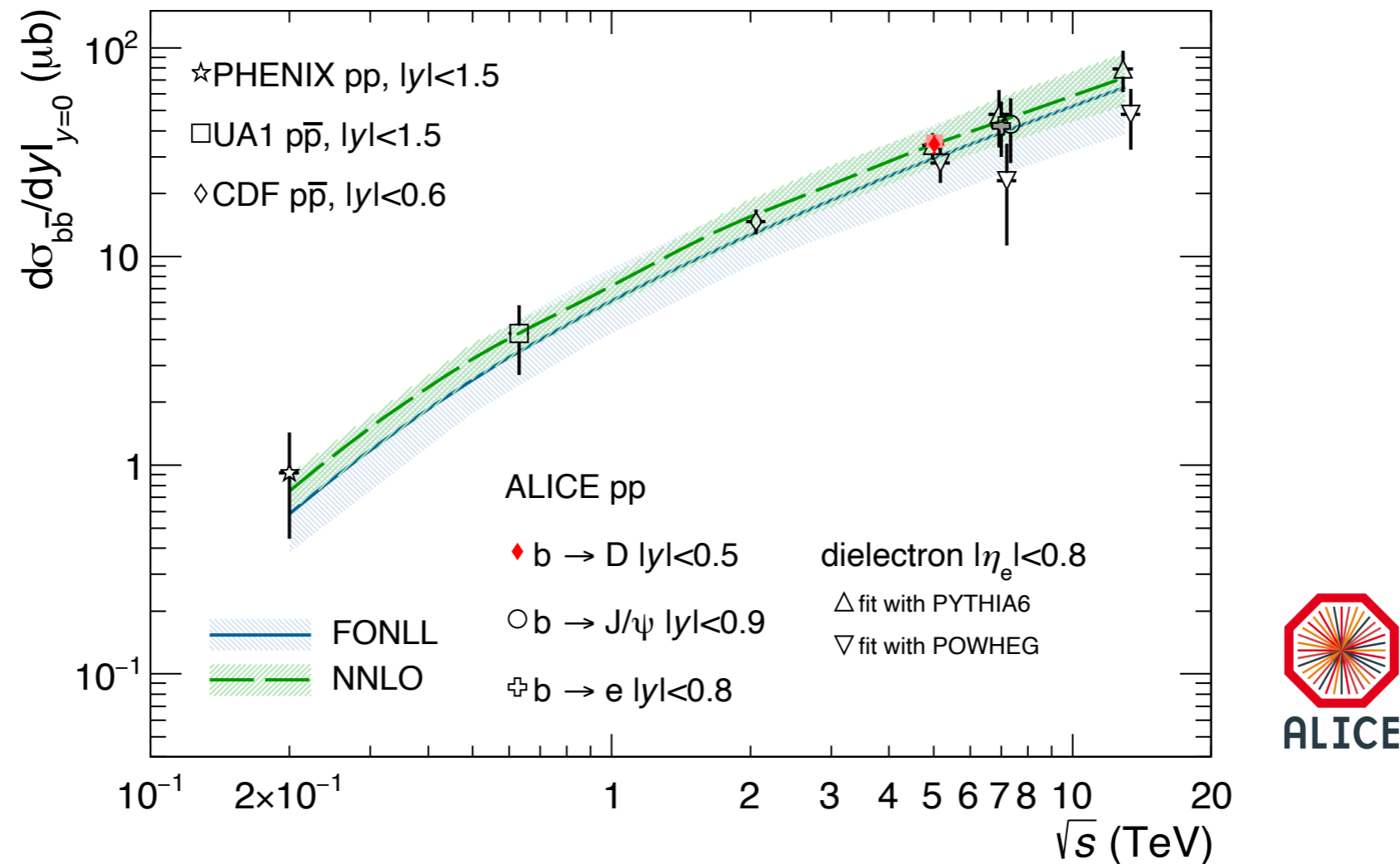


- At high p_T large logarithms in the expansion: they need to be **resummed** at all orders.
- **FONLL** predictions combine NLO calculations with resummed computations, our **NNLO** calculation **ignores** the large logarithms.
- Comparison between our NNLO and FONLL: **estimate** of the impact of large logs.
- FONLL and NNLO uncertainty bands **overlap**, NNLO has **smaller** uncertainty.

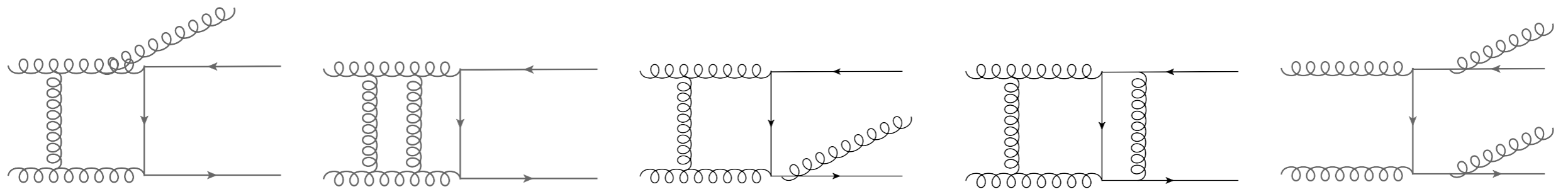
In the phase-space region considered, the NNLO prediction is reliable!

BOTTOM PAIR PRODUCTION IN MATRIX

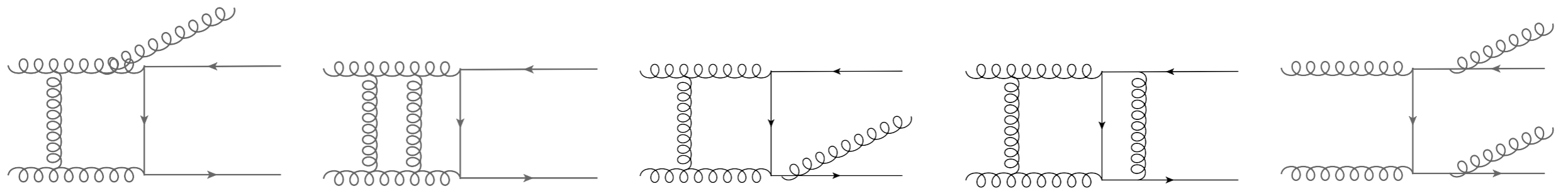
- The computation is **fully implemented** within a (at the moment) private release of **MATRIX**;
- Predictions provided upon request;
- Our computation has already been used by experimental collaborations for data-theory comparisons.



Plot from [arXiv:2102.13601](https://arxiv.org/abs/2102.13601) (ALICE collaboration). The NNLO prediction (green) has been computed with **MATRIX**.

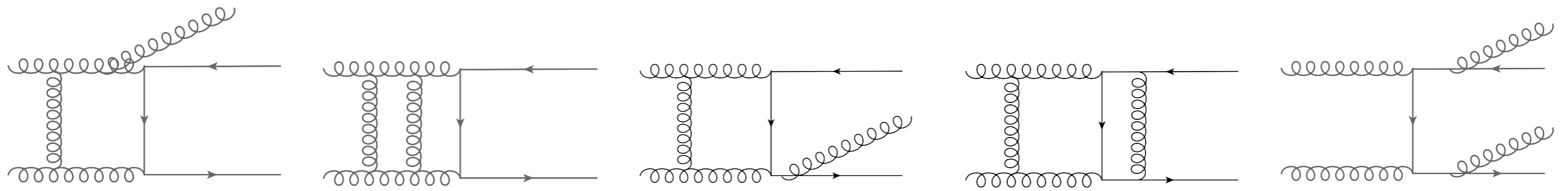


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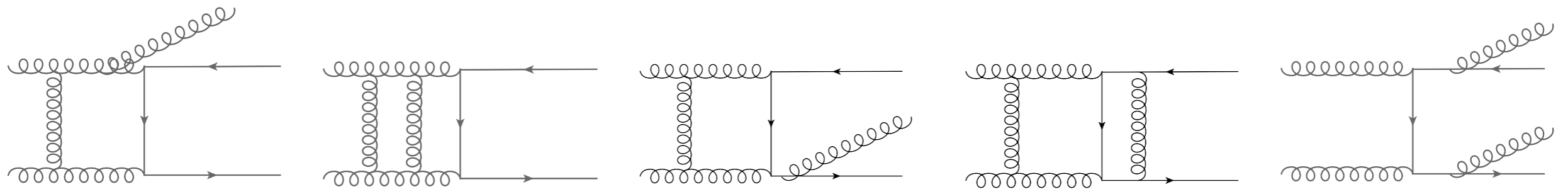
- We have presented the first differential computation for bottom-quark production at NNLO;
- We have shown results for inclusive and differential distributions, comparison with experimental data;
- The process is an extension of the computation for top-pair production and has been implemented into the MATRIX framework;
- Theoretical uncertainties are still large but significantly reduced by the inclusion of NNLO corrections.



SUMMARY & OUTLOOK

- New public MATRIX release with the inclusion of heavy quark production;
- Improvements of NNLO QCD:
 - b-jet production?
 - resummation effects?
 - fragmentation effects?

THANKS!

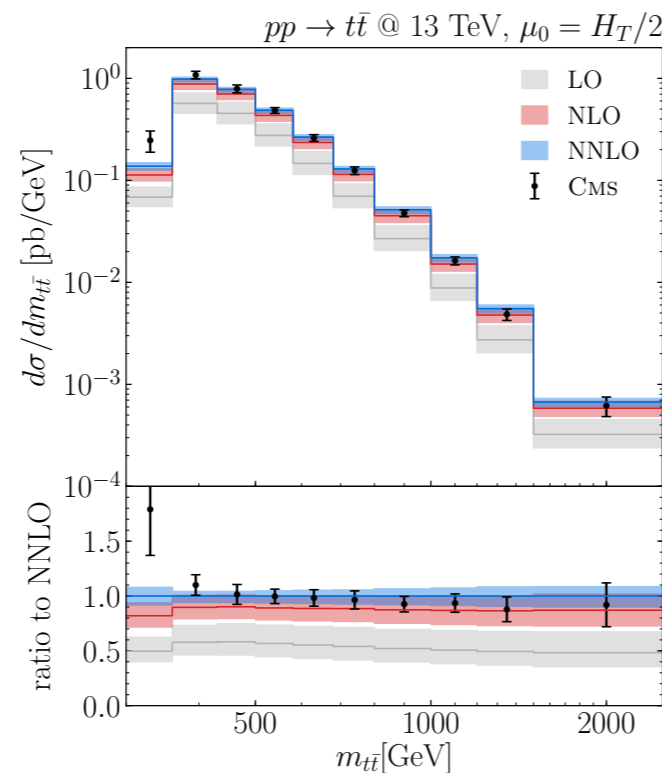
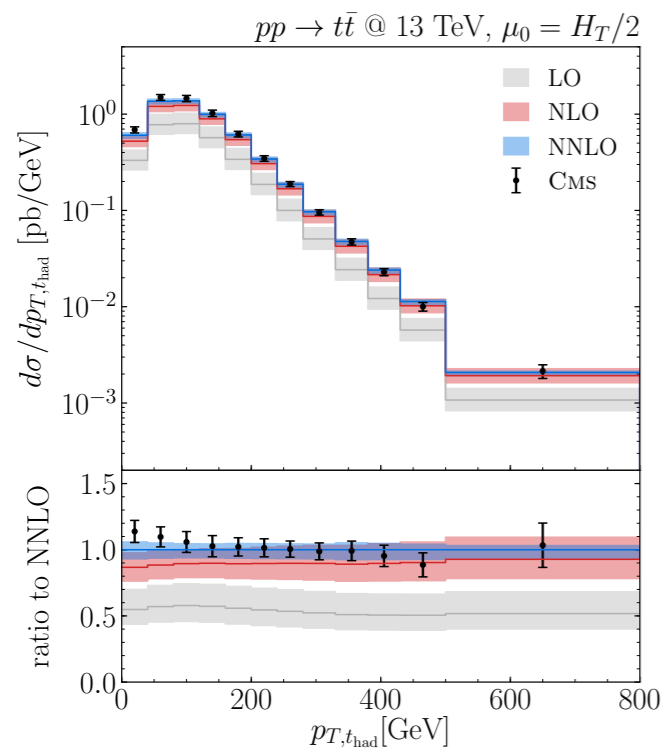
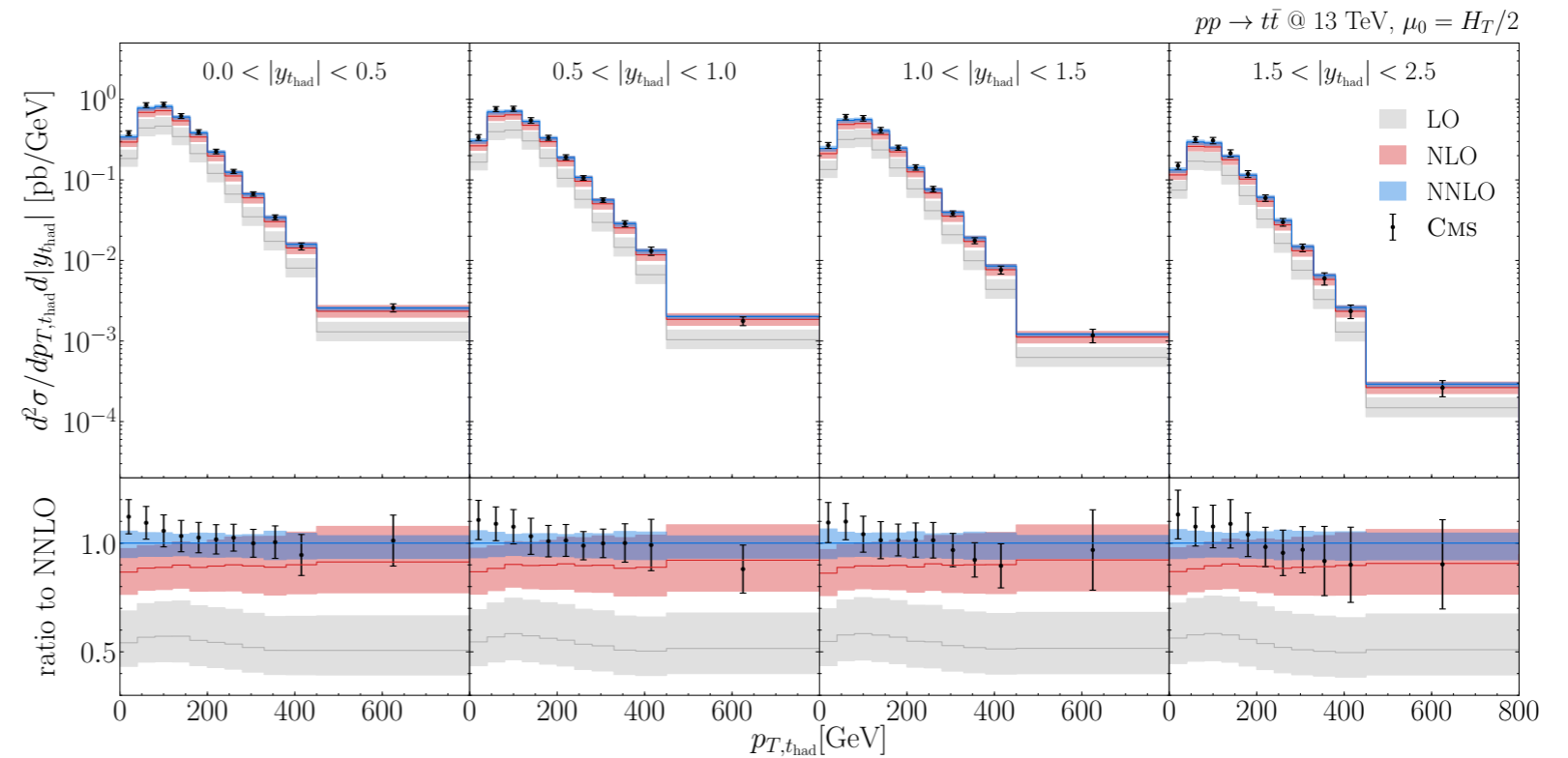


BACKUP SLIDES

TOP QUARK PRODUCTION IN MATRIX

[S. Catani, SD, M. Grazzini, S. Kallweit,
J. Mazzitelli, H. Sargsyan (2019)]

Single and multi-differential distributions for top-pair production have also been implemented in the MATRIX framework!



Shown here:
plots from [JHEP 07 (2019) 100], where
we compare our predictions with recent
measurements from CMS in the leptons+jet
channels [CMS-TOP-17-002].

TOTAL CROSS SECTION AND UNCERTAINTIES

	$\sigma_{\text{NNLO}}(\mu\text{b})$	$\Delta\sigma_{\text{scale}}$	$\Delta\sigma_{\text{mass}}$	$\Delta\sigma_{\text{PDFs}}$	$\Delta\sigma_{\alpha_S}$
$p\bar{p}$ @ 1.96 TeV	75.4(3)	+22% -21%	+9.8% -8.7%	$\pm 1.3\%$	+0.9% -3.0%
pp @ 7 TeV	288(2)	+30% -24%	+7.9% -7.2%	$\pm 2.8\%$	+0.3% -2.9%
pp @ 13 TeV	508(3)	+32% -25%	+7.4% -6.8%	$\pm 4.6\%$	+0.0% -3.0%

- **Bottom mass uncertainty:** variation between $m_b = 4.79$ GeV and $m_b = 5.05$ GeV ($m_b = 4.92 \pm 0.13$ GeV);
- **QCD coupling uncertainty:** evaluating the cross section with NNPDF31 NNLO PDFs obtained with $\alpha_S(m_Z) = 0.119$ and $\alpha_S(m_Z) = 0.117$

Despite the inclusion of NNLO corrections, the missing higher orders in the QCD perturbative expansion still represent the dominant source of theoretical uncertainty!

TOTAL CROSS SECTION AND SCALE CHOICES

σ [μb]	$p\bar{p}$ @ 1.96 TeV	pp @ 7 TeV	pp @ 13 TeV
$\mu_0 = m_b$			
LO	34.66 $\begin{smallmatrix} +51\% \\ -32\% \end{smallmatrix}$	138.7 $\begin{smallmatrix} +51\% \\ -46\% \end{smallmatrix}$	249.0 $\begin{smallmatrix} +59\% \\ -51\% \end{smallmatrix}$
NLO	60.23 $\begin{smallmatrix} +54\% \\ -28\% \end{smallmatrix}$	219.8 $\begin{smallmatrix} +61\% \\ -39\% \end{smallmatrix}$	378.6 $\begin{smallmatrix} +65\% \\ -45\% \end{smallmatrix}$
NNLO	75.4(3) $\begin{smallmatrix} +22\% \\ -21\% \end{smallmatrix}$	288(2) $\begin{smallmatrix} +30\% \\ -24\% \end{smallmatrix}$	508(3) $\begin{smallmatrix} +32\% \\ -25\% \end{smallmatrix}$
$\mu_0 = 2m_b$			
LO	30.94 $\begin{smallmatrix} +41\% \\ -25\% \end{smallmatrix}$	145.8 $\begin{smallmatrix} +41\% \\ -32\% \end{smallmatrix}$	281.9 $\begin{smallmatrix} +41\% \\ -37\% \end{smallmatrix}$
NLO	51.16 $\begin{smallmatrix} +33\% \\ -23\% \end{smallmatrix}$	203.3 $\begin{smallmatrix} +36\% \\ -26\% \end{smallmatrix}$	362.9 $\begin{smallmatrix} +34\% \\ -28\% \end{smallmatrix}$
NNLO	66.7(2) $\begin{smallmatrix} +21\% \\ -18\% \end{smallmatrix}$	258(1) $\begin{smallmatrix} +20\% \\ -18\% \end{smallmatrix}$	458(2) $\begin{smallmatrix} +20\% \\ -18\% \end{smallmatrix}$

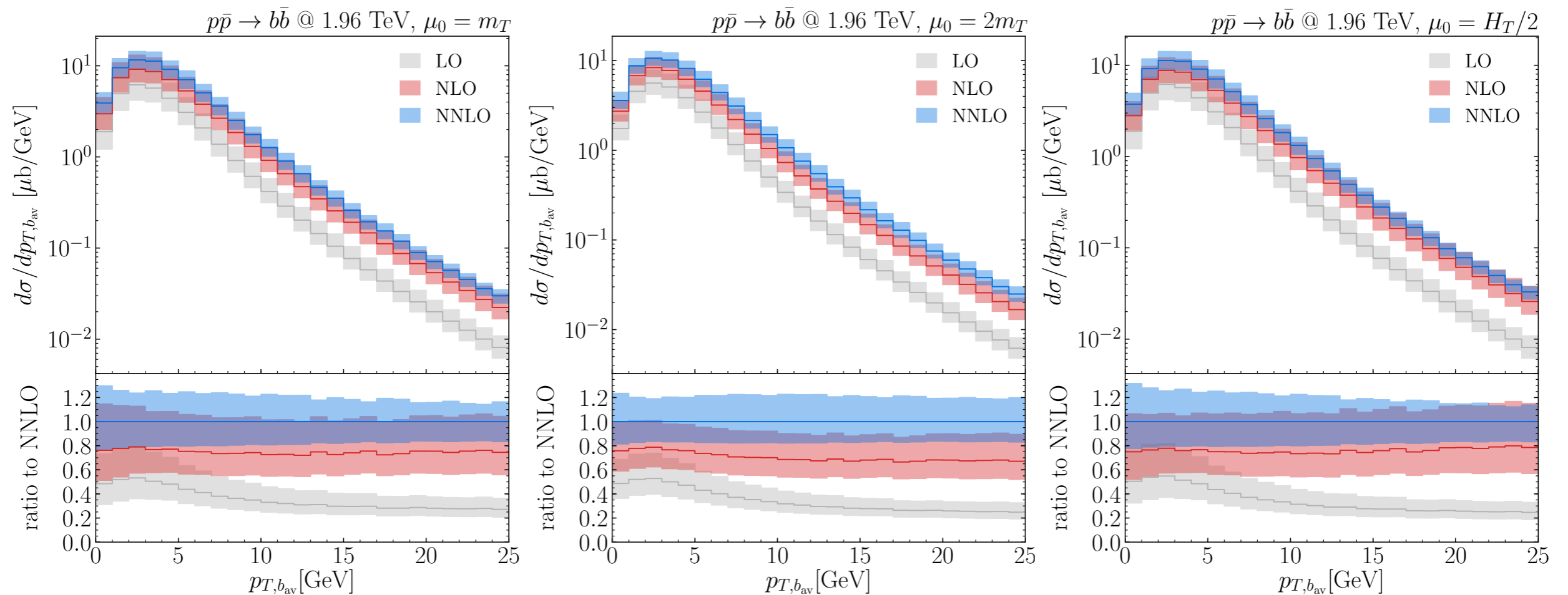
The use of the central scale $\mu_0 = m_b$ leads to **larger scale uncertainties** due to the lower values of μ_R involved.

Nevertheless, despite the low value of $m_b = 4.92$ GeV, we do **not** observe a worrisome perturbative behaviour.

DIFFERENTIAL DISTRIBUTIONS: TEVATRON

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Different central scale choices

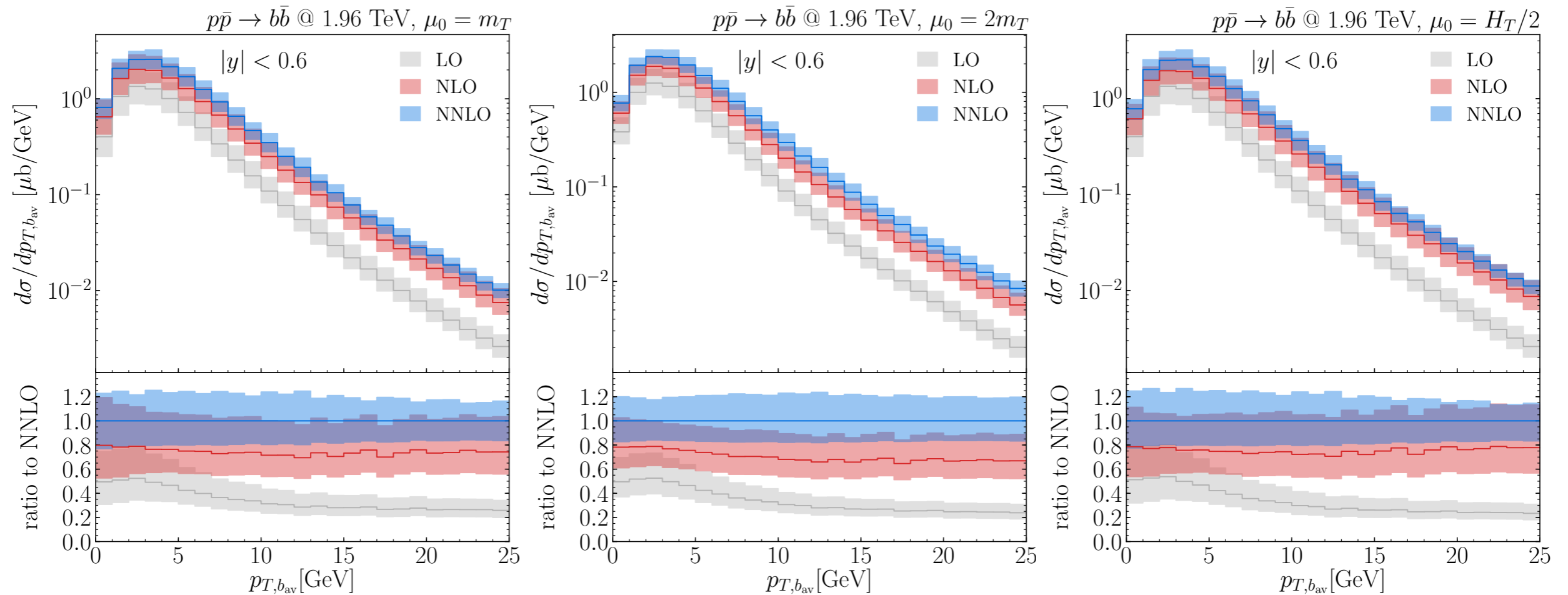


- We introduced the **dynamic scale** $\frac{1}{2}H_T = \frac{m_{T,b} + m_{T,\bar{b}}}{2}$;
- At LO, $H_T = m_T$: they indeed show a similar behaviour;
- The choice of a **smaller** scale $\mu_0 = m_T$ leads to a **better** overlap between NLO and NNLO uncertainty bands.

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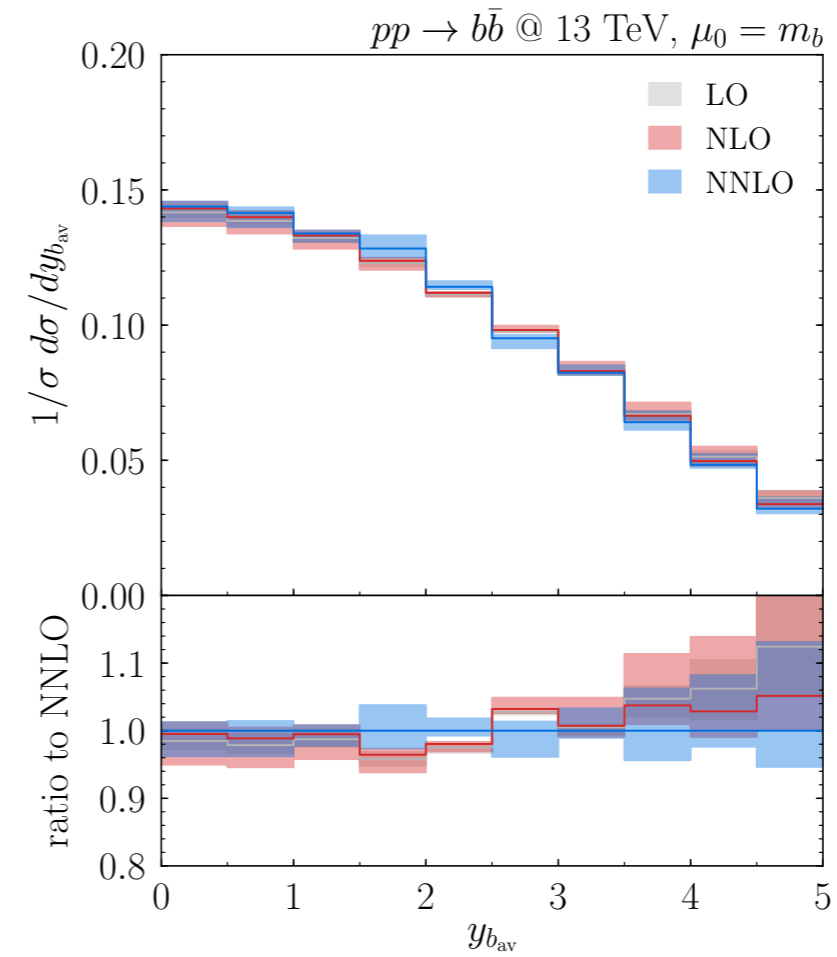
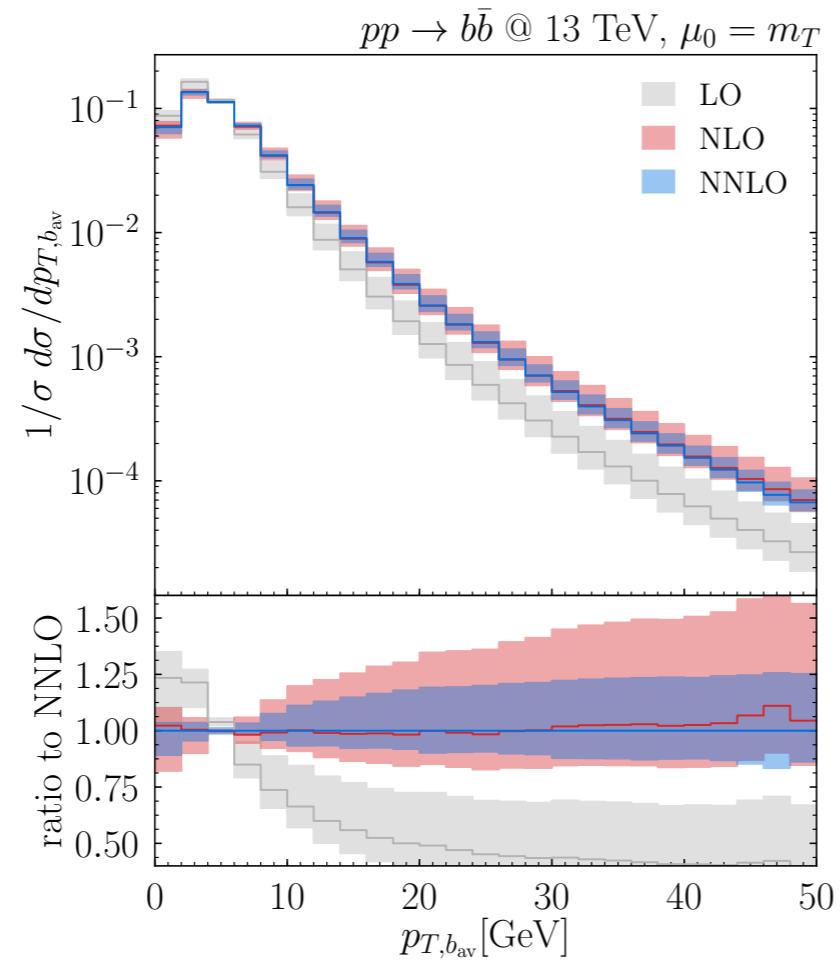
Different central scale choices



- Distributions with rapidity cut $|y| < 0.6$.

NORMALISED DISTRIBUTIONS: LHC

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IR SINGULARITIES - NLO

$$\Delta\sigma^{NLO} = \int d\sigma^{NLO}$$

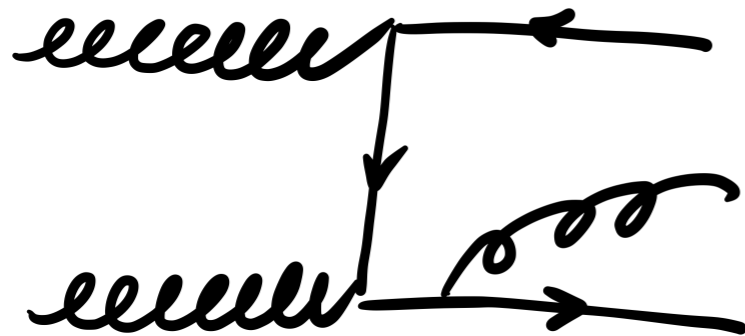
$$\int_{m+1} \left[d\sigma^R - d\sigma^{CT} \right]$$

$$+ \left[\int_m d\sigma^V + \int_1 d\sigma^{CT} \right]$$

~~Divergent~~
CONVERGENT!

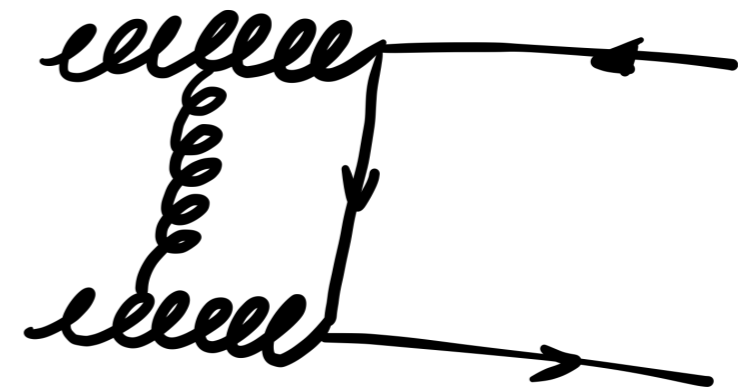
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CONVERGENT!

REAL



- No explicit ϵ poles;
- Singular in unresolved limit.

VIRTUAL



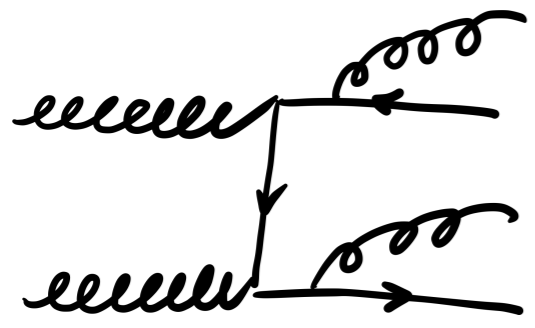
- Explicit poles up to order $1/\epsilon^2$;
- No additional PS singularity

IR SINGULARITIES - NNLO

$$\Delta\sigma^{NNLO} = \int_{m+2} d\sigma^{RR} + \int_{m+1} d\sigma^{RV} + \int_m d\sigma^{VV}$$

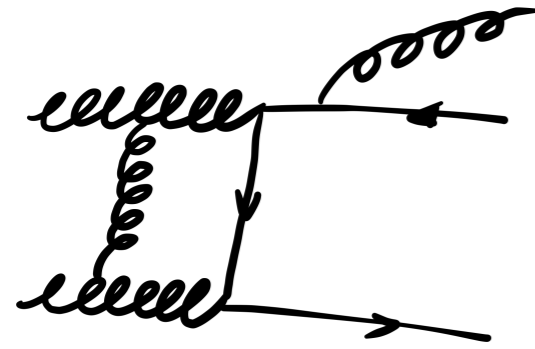
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More complicated structure due to overlapping singularities!



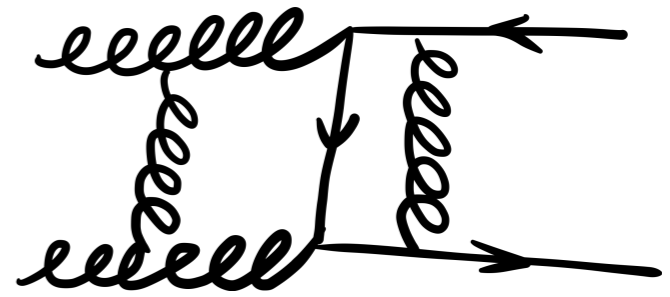
DOUBLE REAL

- No ϵ poles;
- Singular in (double) unresolved limit.



REAL - VIRTUAL

- Explicit $1/\epsilon^2$ poles;
- Singular in unresolved limit.



2LOOP VIRTUAL
(AND 1LOOP SQUARED)

- Explicit $1/\epsilon^4$ poles;
- No additional PS singularity.

THE HARD-COLLINEAR COEFFICIENT

$$d\sigma_{(N)NLO}^F = \mathcal{H}_{(N)NLO}^F \otimes d\sigma_{LO}^F + \left[d\sigma_{(N)LO}^{F+jets} - d\sigma_{(N)LO}^{CT} \right]$$

Colourless final state

$$\mathcal{H} \propto \langle \tilde{M} | \tilde{M} \rangle$$

$$|\tilde{M}\rangle = (1 - I_C) |M\rangle$$

Subtraction operator

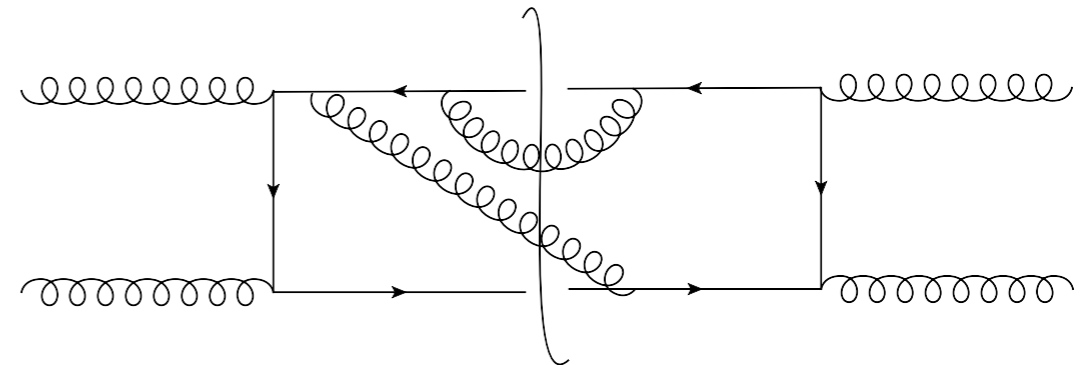
Removes the poles plus a finite part, taking into account what has been put in the counterterm.

All loop renormalised virtual amplitude

Colourful final state

$$\mathcal{H} \propto \langle \tilde{M} | \Delta | \tilde{M} \rangle$$

Additional soft radiative factor



- **COMPUTATION:** integration of the additional soft emission from the final state.

HARD COLLINEAR COEFFICIENT - NLO

[S. Catani, M. Grazzini,
A. Torre: arXiv 1408:4564]

Computation of the soft contribution

Integration of a suitably **subtracted** soft current.

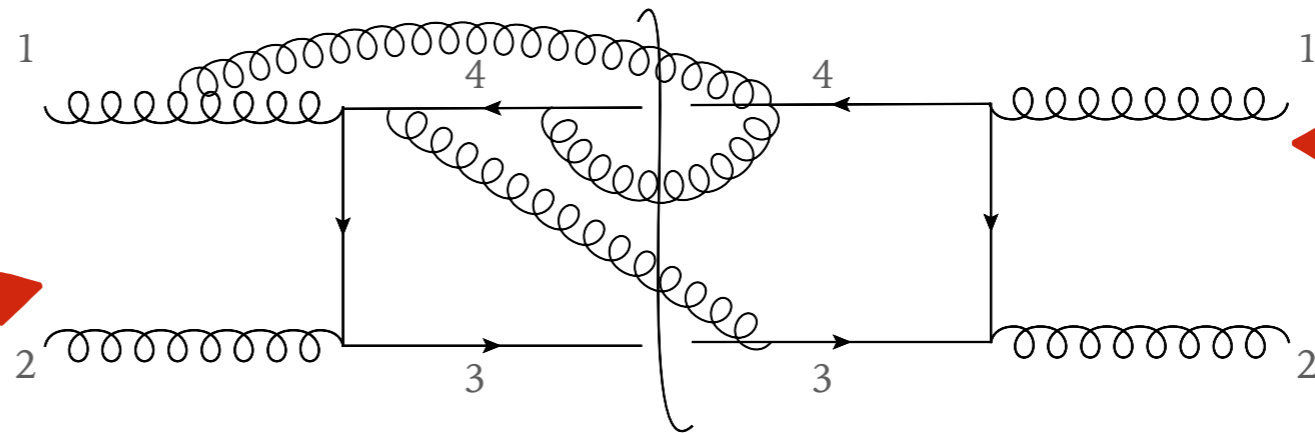
Computation performed
in Fourier space.

$$\left\langle \int \frac{d^n k}{2\pi^{n-1}} \delta_+(k) \left| J_{sub}(k) \right|^2 e^{i\vec{b} \cdot \vec{k}_T} \right\rangle_{\hat{b}}$$

Average on the
azimuthal degrees
of freedom, $\hat{q}_T \rightarrow \hat{b}$.

- J_{sub} is the soft current after a proper subtraction of the (known) colourless contribution:

$$J_i^\mu(k) = \frac{p_i^\mu}{p_i \cdot k}$$



$$\left| J_{sub}(k) \right|^2 = \sum_{j=3,4} \frac{m_j^2}{(p_j \cdot k)^2} \mathbf{T}_j^2 + \frac{2 p_3 \cdot p_4}{p_3 \cdot k p_4 \cdot k} \mathbf{T}_3 \cdot \mathbf{T}_4 + \sum_{\substack{i=1,2 \\ j=3,4}} \frac{2}{p_i \cdot k} \left(\frac{p_i \cdot p_j}{p_j \cdot k} - \frac{p_1 \cdot p_2}{(p_1 + p_2) \cdot k} \right) \mathbf{T}_i \cdot \mathbf{T}_j$$

HARD COLLINEAR COEFFICIENT - NLO

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$$\tilde{I}_{c\bar{c}\rightarrow Q\bar{Q}}^{(1)}\left(\epsilon, \frac{M^2}{\mu_R^2}\right) = -\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{M^2}{\mu_R^2}\right)^{-\epsilon} \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon^2} + i\pi\frac{1}{\epsilon} - \frac{\pi^2}{12}\right)(\mathbf{T}_1 + \mathbf{T}_2) + \frac{2}{\epsilon}\gamma_c - \frac{4}{\epsilon}\Gamma_t^{(1)}(y_{34}) + \mathbf{F}_t^{(1)}(y_{34}) \right\}$$

Poles reproduce singularities in one-loop amplitudes

Required additional finite piece

➤ $\mathbf{F}_t^{(1)}(y_{34}) = (\mathbf{T}_3^2 + \mathbf{T}_4^2) \ln\left(\frac{m_T^2}{m^2}\right) + (\mathbf{T}_3 + \mathbf{T}_4)^2 \text{Li}_2\left(-\frac{\mathbf{p}_T^2}{m^2}\right) + \mathbf{T}_3 \cdot \mathbf{T}_4 \frac{1}{v} L_{34}$

➤ $\Gamma_t^{(1)}(y_{34}) = -\frac{1}{4} \left\{ (\mathbf{T}_3^2 + \mathbf{T}_4^2) (1 - i\pi) + \sum_{\substack{i=1,2 \\ j=3,4}} \mathbf{T}_i \cdot \mathbf{T}_j \ln \frac{(2p_i \cdot p_j)^2}{M^2 m^2} + 2 \mathbf{T}_3 \cdot \mathbf{T}_4 \left[\frac{1}{2v} \ln\left(\frac{1+v}{1-v}\right) - i\pi \left(\frac{1}{v} + 1\right) \right] \right\} .$

➤ $L_{34} = \ln\left(\frac{1+v}{1-v}\right) \ln\left(\frac{m_T^2}{m^2}\right) - 2 \text{Li}_2\left(\frac{2v}{1+v}\right) - \frac{1}{4} \ln^2\left(\frac{1+v}{1-v}\right) + 2 \left[\text{Li}_2\left(1 - \sqrt{\frac{1-v}{1+v}} e^{y_{34}}\right) + \text{Li}_2\left(1 - \sqrt{\frac{1-v}{1+v}} e^{-y_{34}}\right) + \frac{1}{2} y_{34}^2 \right]$

$$v = \sqrt{1 - \frac{m^4}{(p_3 \cdot p_4)^2}}$$

$$y_{34} = y_3 - y_4$$

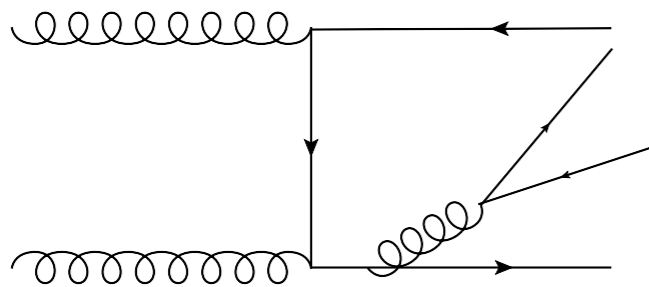
We need to do the same at the next order!

HARD COLLINEAR COEFFICIENT - NNLO

[S. Catani, SD, M. Grazzini, J. Mazzitelli, in preparation.]

NNLO: the soft current is more complicated. Contributions from:

► Light quark pair production:

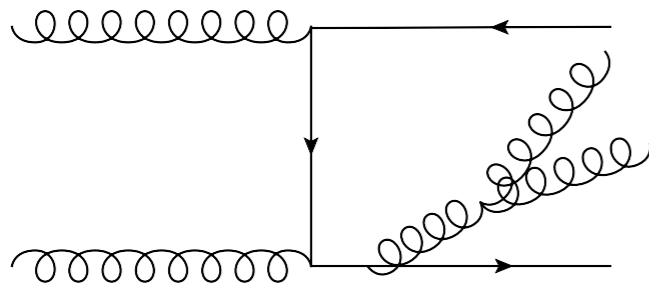


$$J_{sub}^{NNLO(q\bar{q})}(k_1, k_2)$$

[S. Catani, M. Grazzini (1999)]

$$\int \frac{d^n k_1}{2\pi^{n-1}} \frac{d^n k_2}{2\pi^{n-1}} \delta_+(k_1) \delta_+(k_2) \left| J_{sub}^{NNLO(q\bar{q})}(k_1, k_2) \right|^2 e^{i\vec{b} \cdot (\vec{k}_{T1} + \vec{k}_{T2})}$$

► Double gluon emission:

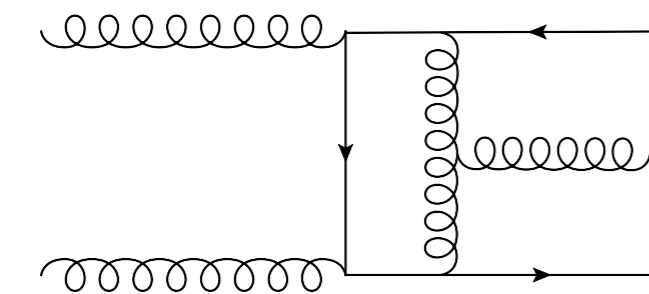


$$J_{sub}^{NNLO(gg)}(k_1, k_2)$$

[S. Catani, M. Grazzini (1999); M. Czakon (2011)]

$$\int \frac{d^n k_1}{2\pi^{n-1}} \frac{d^n k_2}{2\pi^{n-1}} \delta_+(k_1) \delta_+(k_2) \left| J_{sub}^{NNLO(gg)}(k_1, k_2) \right|^2 e^{i\vec{b} \cdot (\vec{k}_{T1} + \vec{k}_{T2})}$$

► One gluon emission at 1 loop:



$$J_{sub}^{NNLO(1L)}(k)$$

[I. Bierenbaum, M. Czakon, A. Mitov (2011)]

$$\int \frac{d^n k}{2\pi^{n-1}} \delta_+(k) \left| J_{sub}^{NNLO(1L)}(k) \right|^2 e^{i\vec{b} \cdot \vec{k}_T}$$

AN EXAMPLE: DOUBLE GLUON EMISSION

*Square of
the soft current:*

$$\left| J^{NNLO(gg)}(k_1, k_2) \right|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \{ \mathbf{J}^2(k_1), \mathbf{J}^2(k_2) \} - C_a \sum_{i,j=1}^n \mathbf{T}_i \cdot \mathbf{T}_j \mathcal{S}_{ij}(k_1, k_2)$$

$$\mathcal{S}_{ij}(k_1, k_2) = \mathcal{S}_{ij}^{m=0}(k_1, k_2) + \left(m_i^2 \mathcal{S}_{ij}^{m \neq 0}(k_1, k_2) + m_j^2 \mathcal{S}_{ji}^{m \neq 0}(k_1, k_2) \right)$$

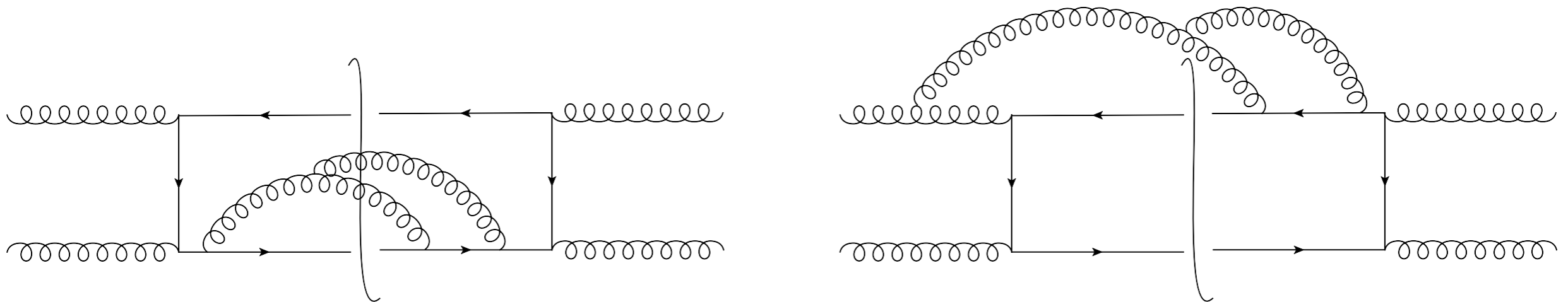
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{S}_{ij}^{m=0}(q_1, q_2) = & \frac{(1 - \epsilon) p_i \cdot q_1 p_j \cdot q_2 + p_i \cdot q_2 p_j \cdot q_1}{(q_1 \cdot q_2)^2 p_i \cdot (q_1 + q_2) p_j \cdot (q_1 + q_2)} \\ & - \frac{(p_i \cdot p_j)^2}{2 p_i \cdot q_1 p_j \cdot q_2 p_i \cdot q_2 p_j \cdot q_1} \left[2 - \frac{p_i \cdot q_1 p_j \cdot q_2 + p_i \cdot q_2 p_j \cdot q_1}{p_i \cdot (q_1 + q_2) p_j \cdot (q_1 + q_2)} \right] \\ & + \frac{p_i \cdot p_j}{2 q_1 \cdot q_2} \left[\frac{2}{p_i \cdot q_1 p_j \cdot q_2} + \frac{2}{p_j \cdot q_1 p_i \cdot q_2} - \frac{1}{p_i \cdot (q_1 + q_2) p_j \cdot (q_1 + q_2)} \right] \\ & \times \left(4 + \frac{(p_i \cdot q_1 p_j \cdot q_2 + p_i \cdot q_2 p_j \cdot q_1)^2}{p_i \cdot q_1 p_j \cdot q_2 p_i \cdot q_2 p_j \cdot q_1} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{S}_{ij}^{m \neq 0}(q_1, q_2) = & - \frac{1}{4 q_1 \cdot q_2 p_i \cdot q_1 p_i \cdot q_2} + \frac{p_i \cdot p_j p_j \cdot (q_1 + q_2)}{2 p_i \cdot q_1 p_j \cdot q_2 p_i \cdot q_2 p_j \cdot q_1 p_i \cdot (q_1 + q_2)} \\ & - \frac{1}{2 q_1 \cdot q_2 p_i \cdot (q_1 + q_2) p_j \cdot (q_1 + q_2)} \left(\frac{(p_j \cdot q_1)^2}{p_i \cdot q_1 p_j \cdot q_2} + \frac{(p_j \cdot q_2)^2}{p_i \cdot q_2 p_j \cdot q_1} \right) \end{aligned}$$

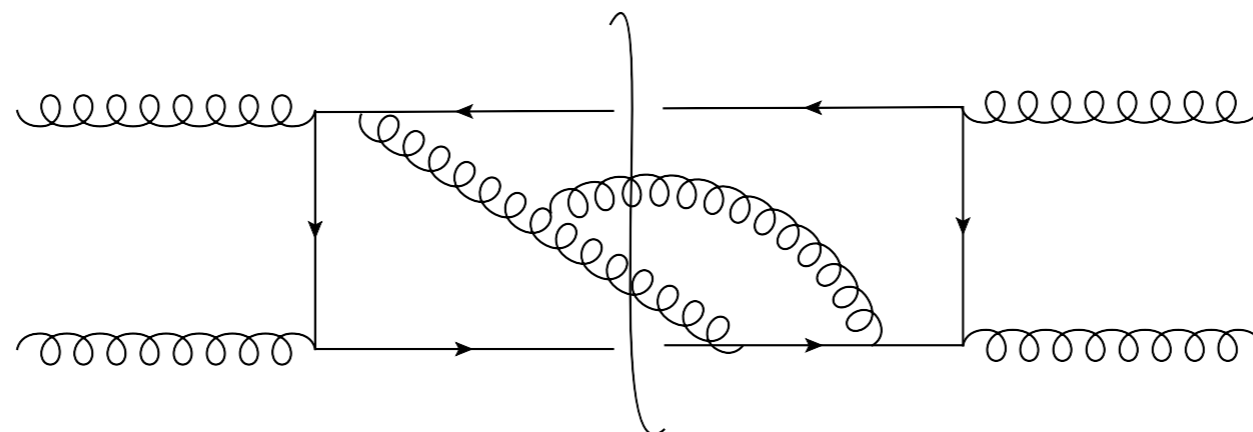
FINAL RESULT - RECAP

We computed all the needed integrals:

- **Analytic expression** for $\mathbf{T}_i\mathbf{T}_j, \mathbf{T}_j\mathbf{T}_j$ contributions:



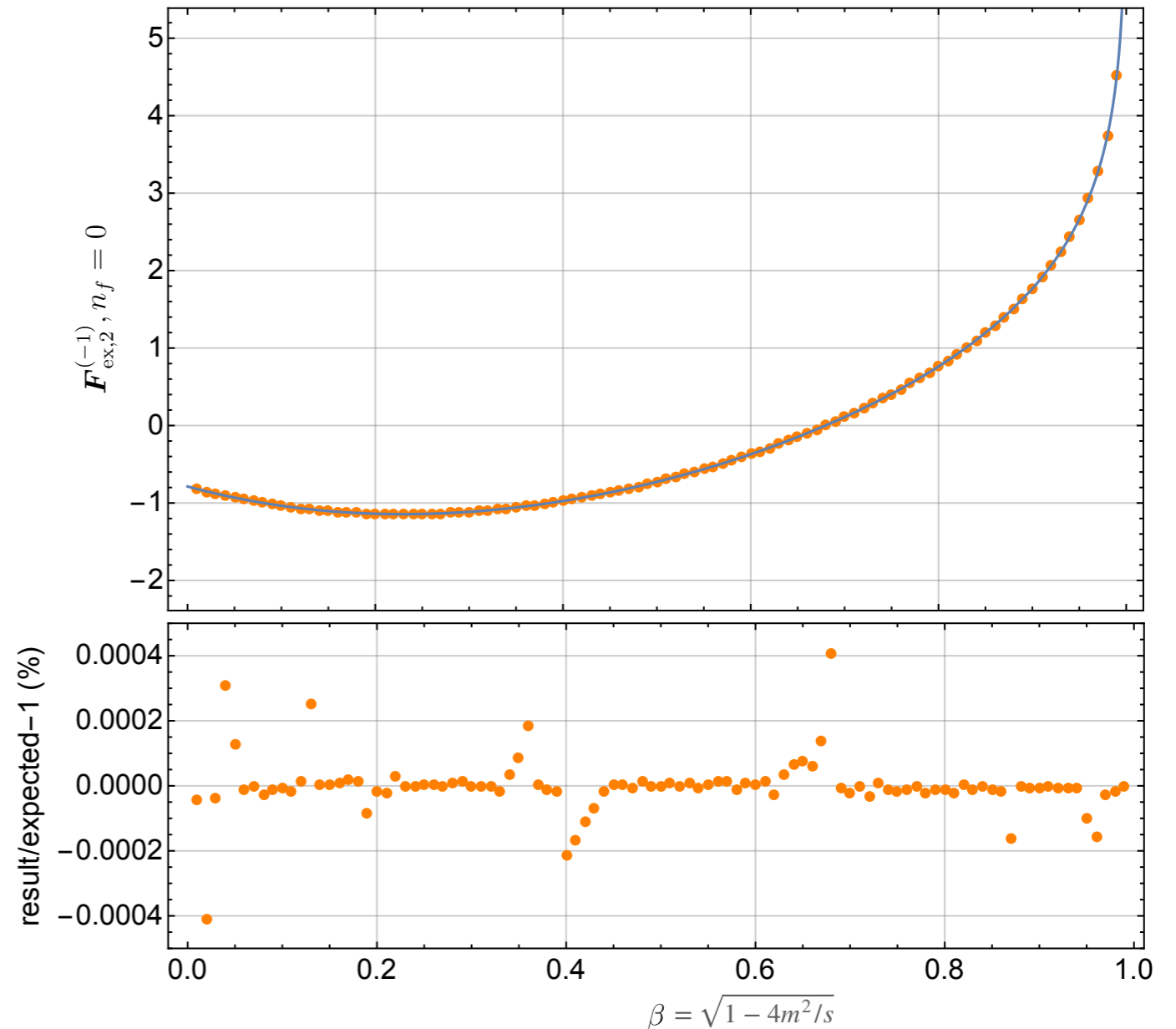
- **Numerical expression** for some pieces of the $\mathbf{T}_3\mathbf{T}_4$ contribution (regular part of the double gluon emission):



FINAL RESULT – POLES CANCELLATION

Pole structure can be predicted from 2-loop virtual contribution: it must cancel (part of) its IR singularities.

- **Triple poles:** cancel combining the 3 different contributions;
- **Double poles:** analytic cancellation;
- **Single poles:** analytic cancellation except $\mathbf{T}_3\mathbf{T}_4$.



The completion of this calculation allowed the implementation of **top pair production** and **bottom pair production** in the **MATRIX** framework!