

NNLO Photon Fragmentation within Antenna Subtraction

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Outline

1. Photons in hadronic collisions: fragmentation and isolation
2. Antenna subtraction with identified final state particles
3. Integration of fragmentation antenna functions

Photon Production @ the LHC

γ (+jet) important observable:

1. Testing ground for precise QCD predictions

→ clean, well-reconstructable final state

→ precise data from experiment available

Atlas, 2018, CMS, 2018

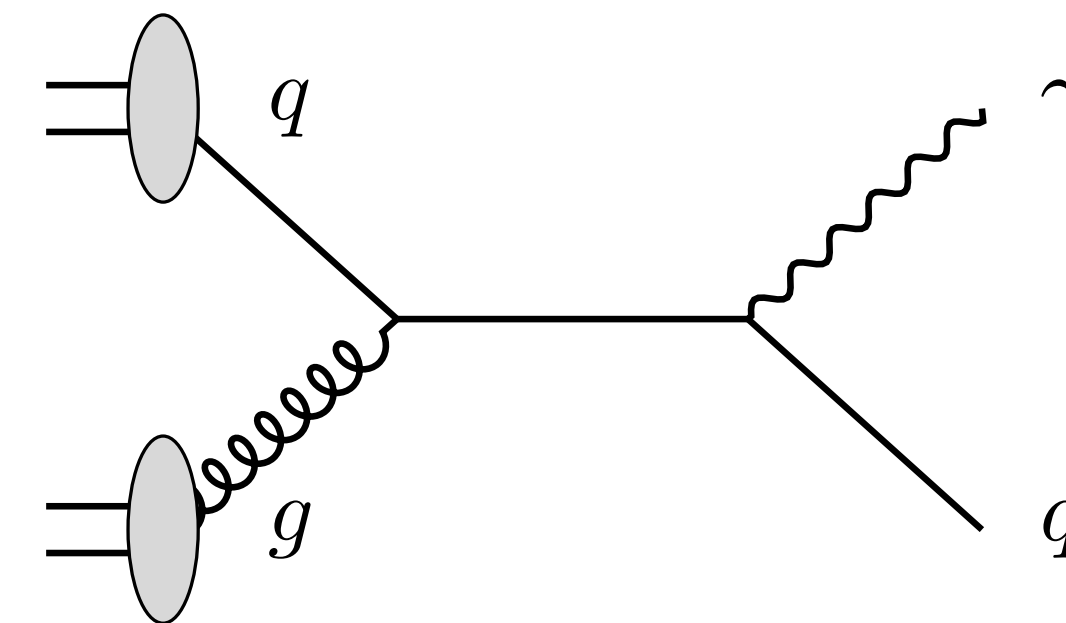
2. High sensitivity on gluon PDF

→ Compton scattering @ LO

3. Important background for new physics searches

→ new physics decaying into photons

→ γ + jet as data driven background estimate for dark matter searches

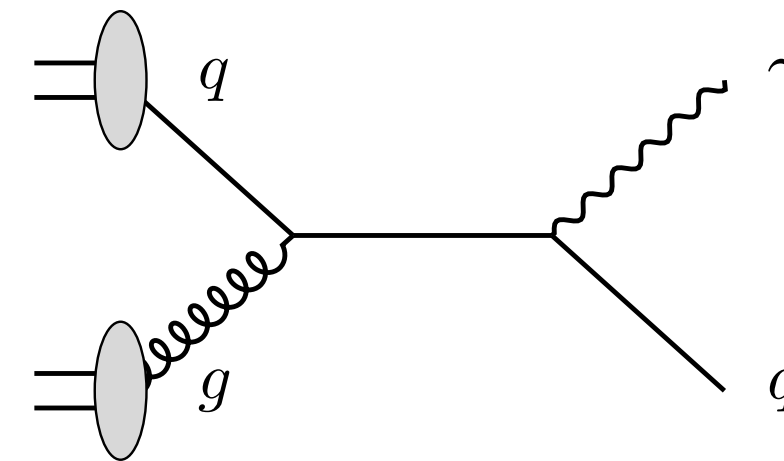


Photons @ the LHC

Three different kinds of photons in hadronic collisions:

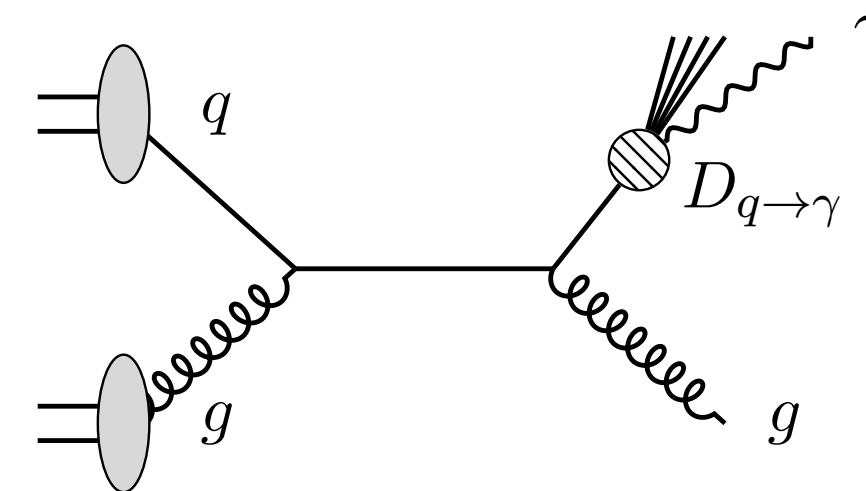
1. Direct photons

→ point-like coupling of quarks and photons

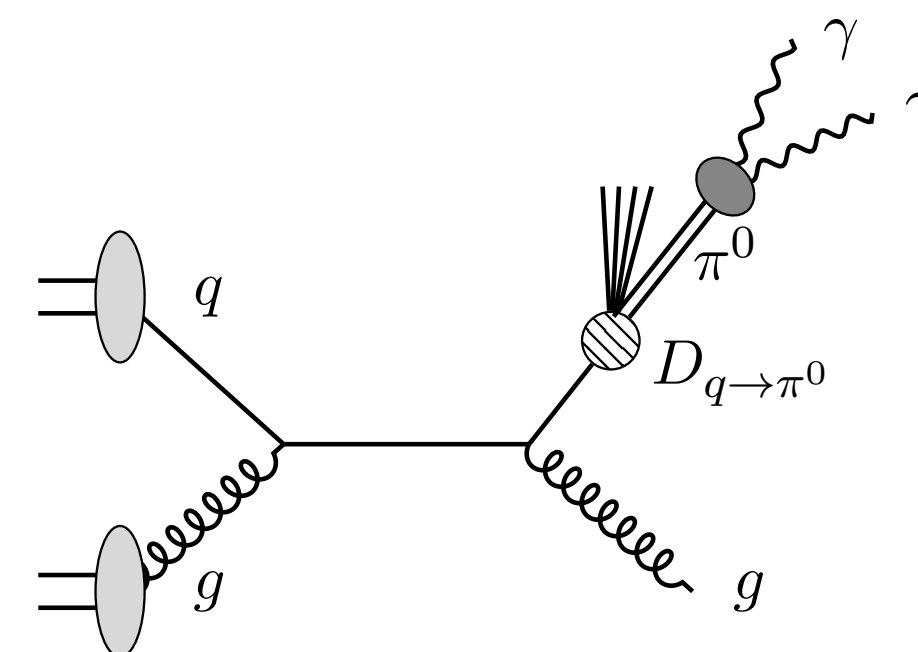


2. Partons fragmenting into photons

→ fragmentation functions (FF) $D_{k \rightarrow \gamma}(z)$

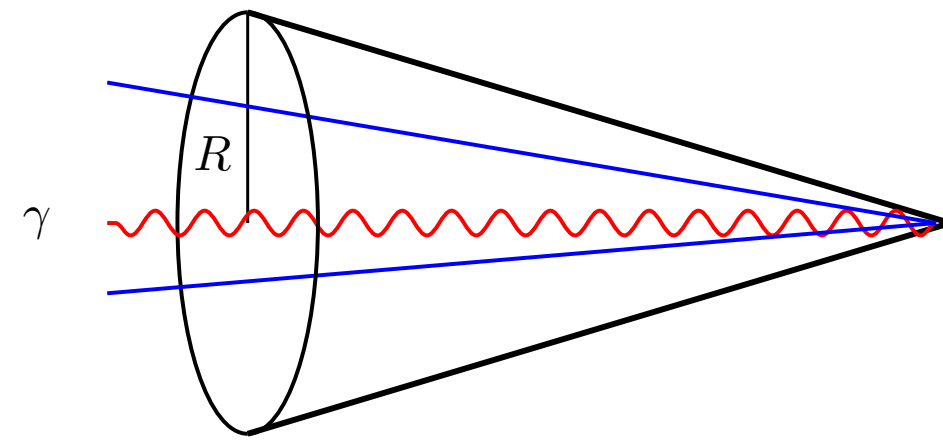


3. Photons from hadronic decays ($\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$)



Photon Isolation

Fixed cone isolation

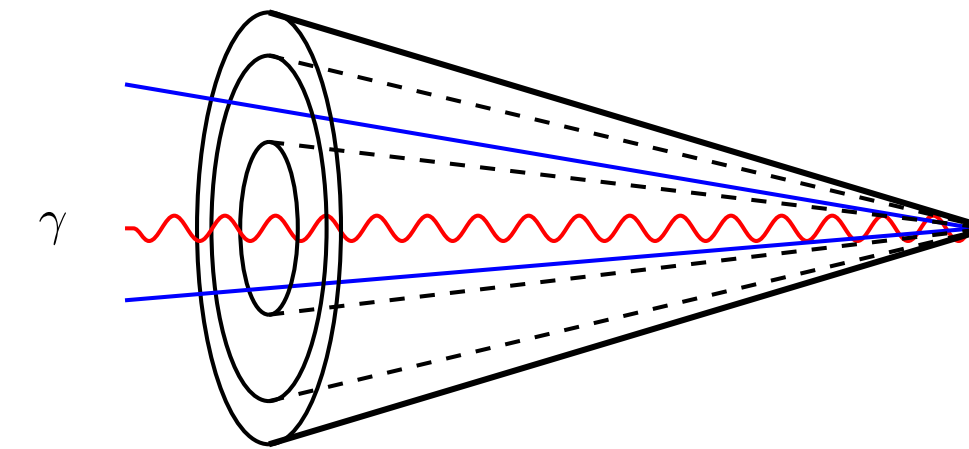


$$R^2 = \Delta\eta^2 + \Delta\phi^2$$

$$E_T^{\text{had}} < E_T^{\text{max}}(E_T^\gamma)$$

- Used in experimental analysis
- $q \parallel \gamma$ singularity
- σ contains fragmentation contribution

Smooth cone isolation S. Frixione 1998



arbitrary cones with $r_d < R$

$$E_T^{\text{had}}(r_d) < \epsilon E_T^\gamma \left(\frac{1 - \cos(r_d)}{1 - \cos(R)} \right)^n$$

- Idealised photon isolation
- No $q \parallel \gamma$ singularity
- σ has no fragmentation contribution

Theory Predictions

$$d\hat{\sigma}^{\gamma+X} = d\hat{\sigma}_{\text{direct}}^{\gamma+X} + \sum_k d\hat{\sigma}^{k+X} \otimes D_{k \rightarrow \gamma}$$

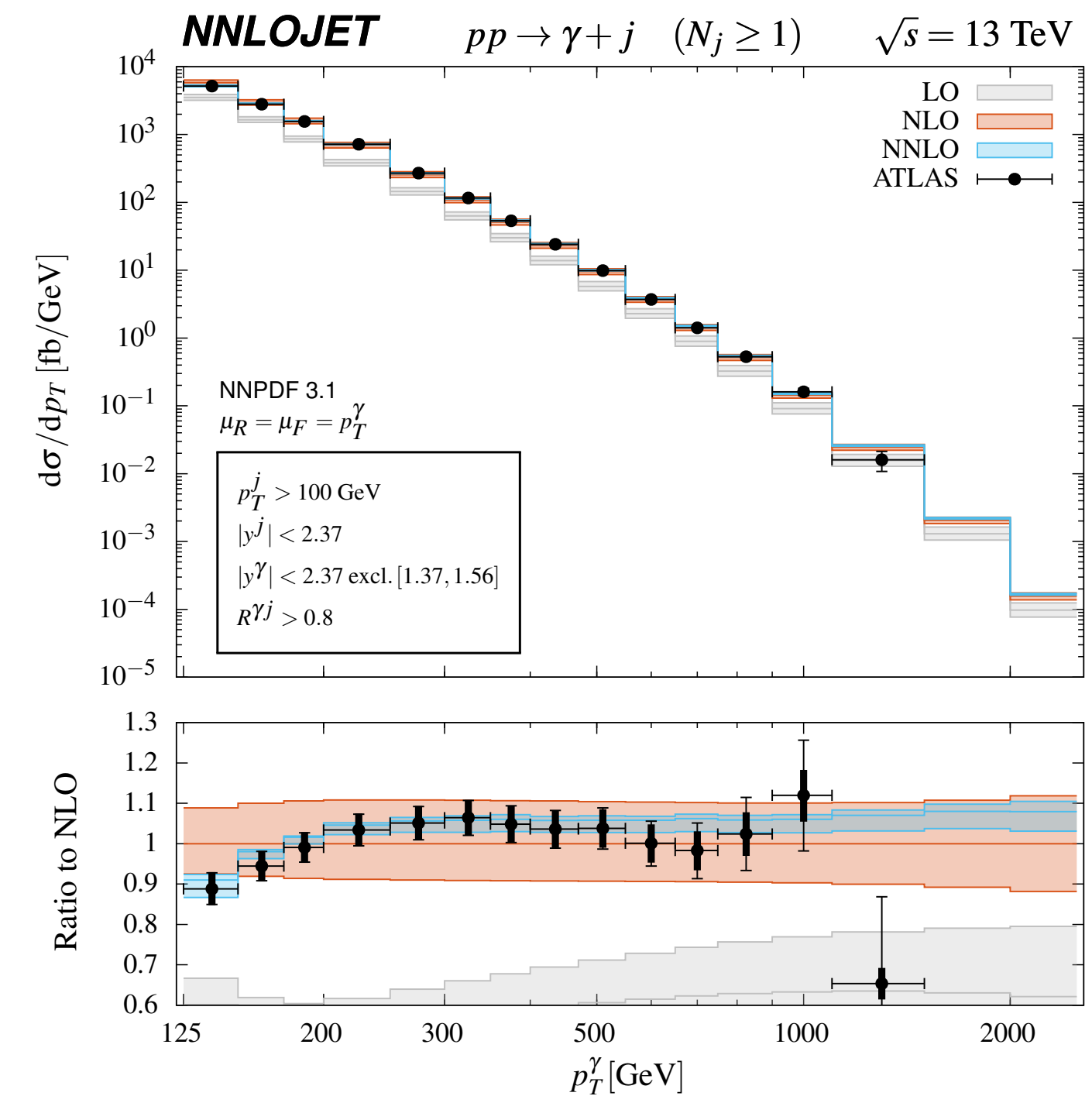
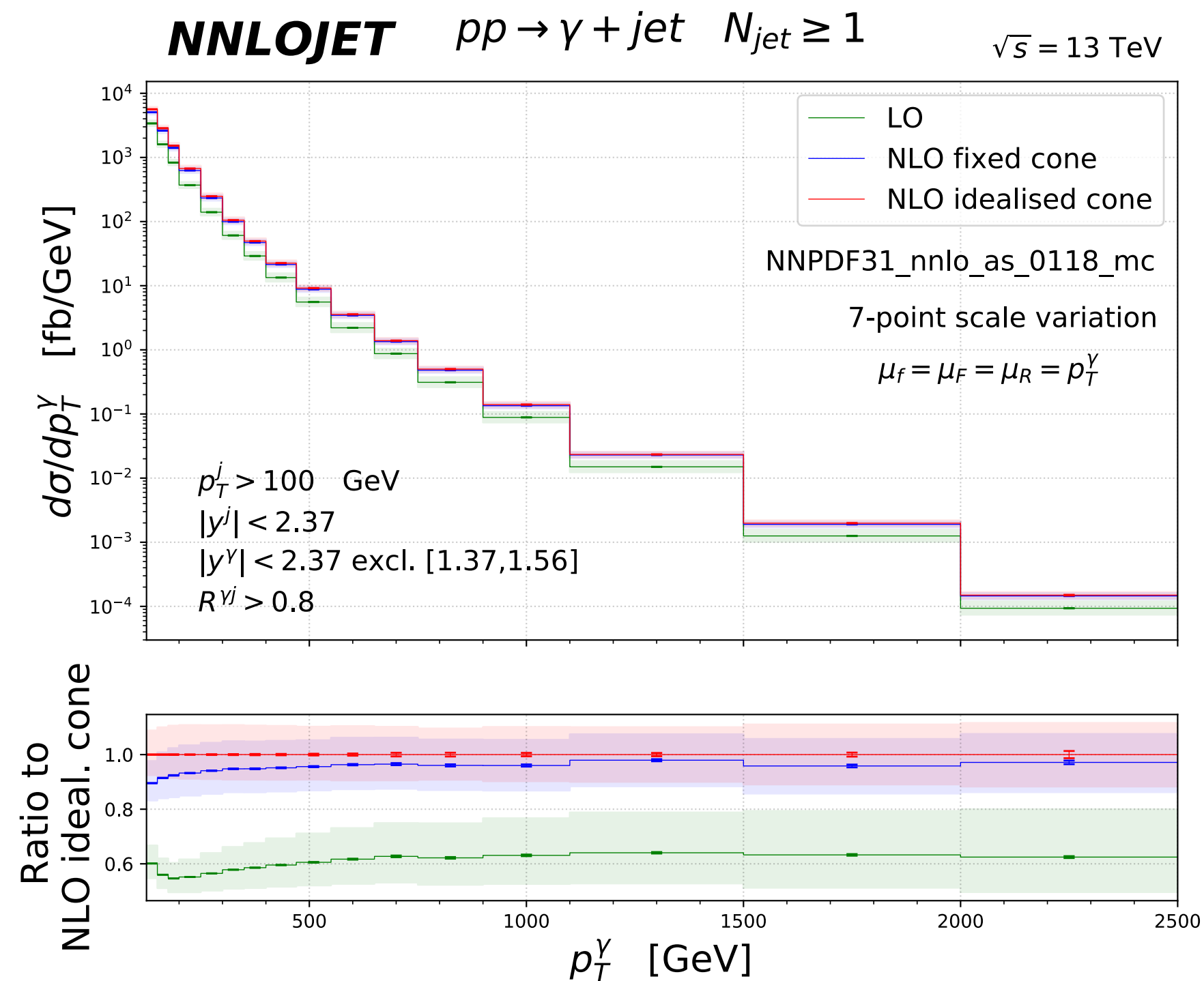
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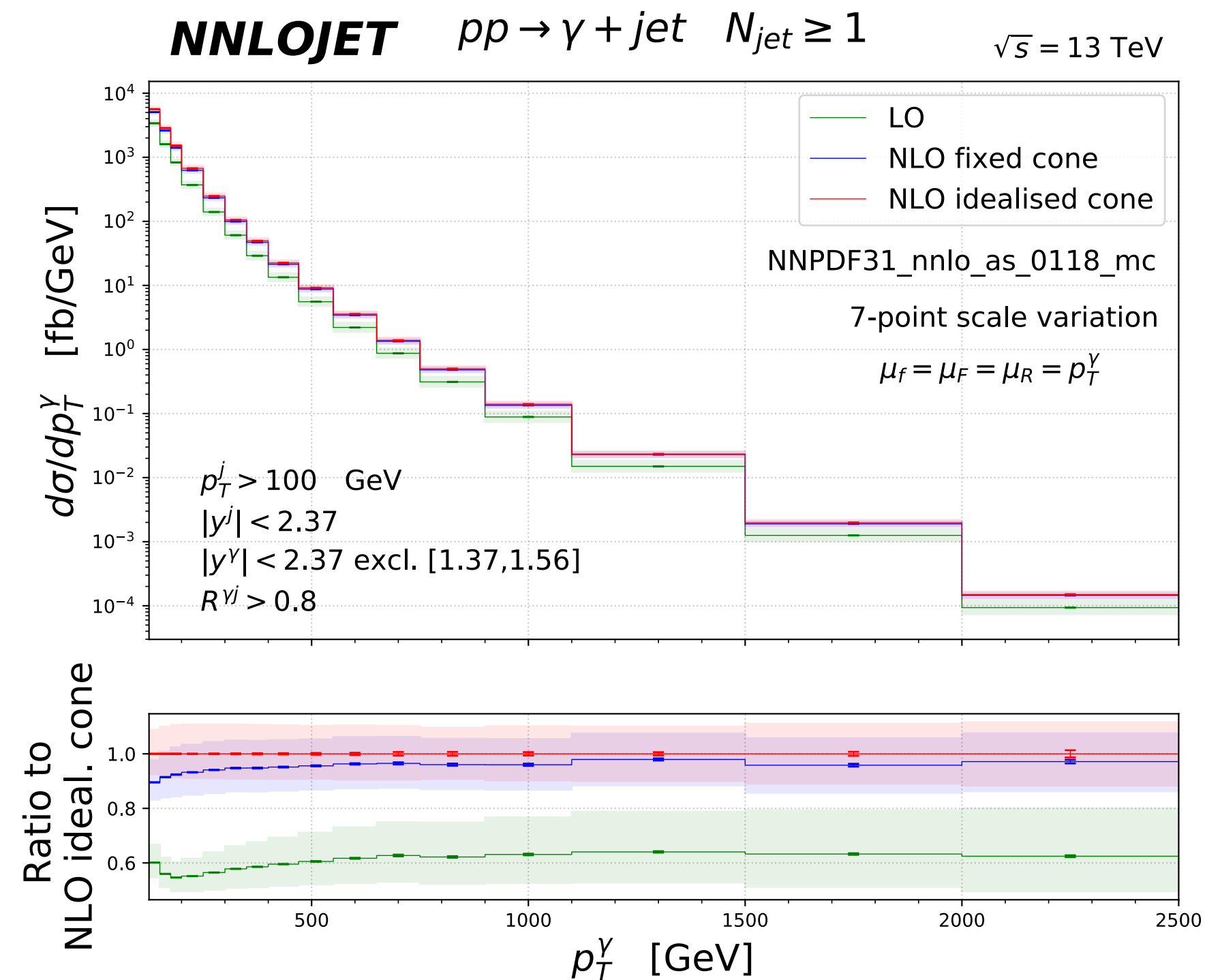
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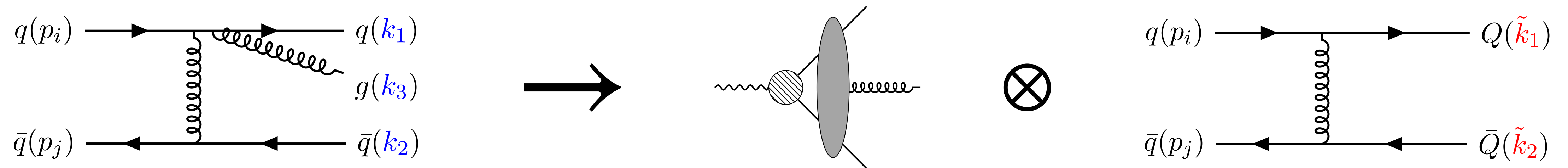
To overcome systematic uncertainty:

Use realistic fixed cone isolation

→ Include fragmentation contribution @ NNLO

→ subtract photonic limits

Antenna Subtraction



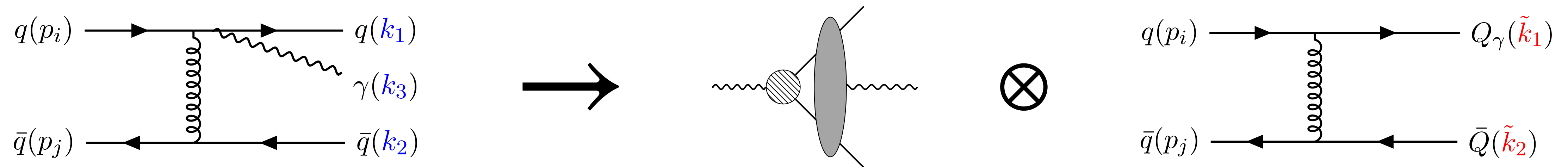
$$d\sigma^S \propto A_3^0(q(k_1), g(k_3), \bar{q}(k_3)) |M_2^0(\tilde{k}_1, \tilde{k}_2, p_i, p_j)|^2 J(\tilde{k}_1, \tilde{k}_2) d\Phi_3$$

- Only dependence on $\{k_1, k_2, k_3\}$ in antenna function
 - Jet function and reduced matrix element only depend on mapped momenta $\{\tilde{k}_1, \tilde{k}_2\}$
- phase space can be factorised

$$d\sigma^T \propto \underbrace{\left(\int d\Phi_A A_3^0(q(k_1), g(k_2), \bar{q}(k_3)) \right)}_{\mathcal{A}_3^0} |M_2^0(\tilde{k}_1, \tilde{k}_2; p_i, p_j)|^2 J(\tilde{k}_1, \tilde{k}_2) d\Phi_2$$

→ explicit ϵ -poles in \mathcal{A}_3^0

Fragmentation Antenna Functions



$$d\sigma^S \propto A_3^0(q(k_1), \gamma^{\text{id.}}(k_3), \bar{q}(k_3)) |M_2^0(\tilde{k}_1, \tilde{k}_2, p_i, p_j)|^2 J(\tilde{k}_1, \tilde{k}_2; z) d\Phi_3$$

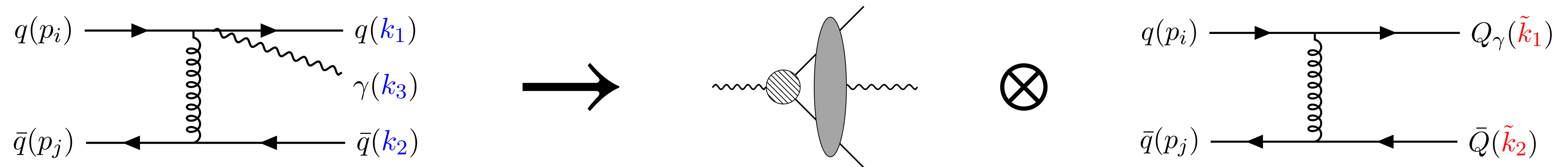
Jet function needs information about momentum fraction z of the photon within the quark-photon cluster Q_γ :

$$z = \frac{s_{23}}{s_{23} + s_{12}} \xrightarrow{q \parallel \gamma} \frac{E_\gamma}{E_\gamma + E_q}$$

Reconstruction of photon and quark momentum in photon isolation and jet algorithm:

$$\tilde{k}_1 \rightarrow \{z \tilde{k}_1, (1-z) \tilde{k}_1\}$$

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Jet function needs information about momentum fraction z of the photon within the quark-photon cluster Q_γ :

→ antenna phase space can not be fully integrated out

Integration over antenna phase space must remain differential in z :

$$d\sigma_\gamma^T \propto - \int_0^1 dz \underbrace{\left(\int \frac{d\Phi_A}{dz} A_{q\gamma\bar{q}}^0 \right)}_{\mathcal{A}_3^0(z)} |M_2^0(\tilde{k}_1, \tilde{k}_2; p_i, p_j)|^2 J(\tilde{k}_1, \tilde{k}_2; z) d\Phi_2$$

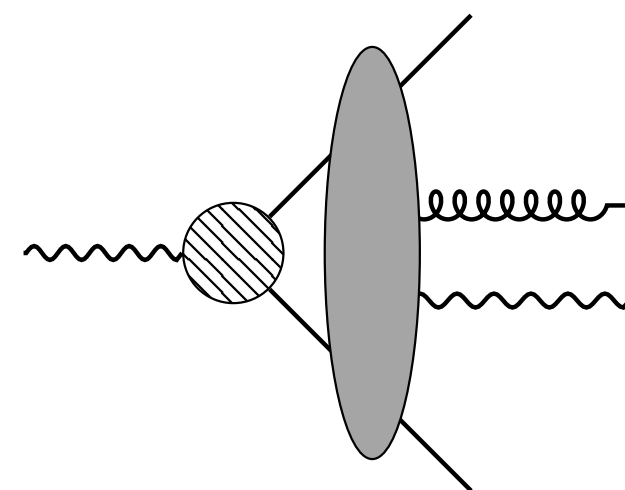
Towards NNLO

NLO:

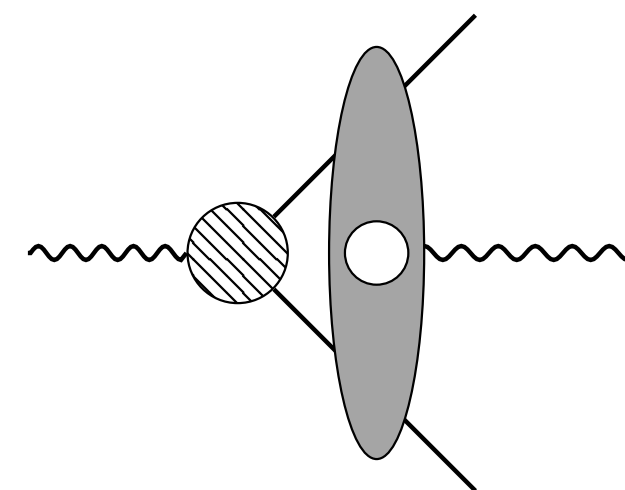
- Subtraction with identified final state particles @ NLO implemented in parton-level Monte Carlo event generator NNLOJET
- NLO results for isolated photon production and photon + jet production validated against JetPhox

NNLO:

- Subtraction of double unresolved limits (RR) and one-loop unresolved limits (RV)



X_4^0



X_3^1

- Integration of fragmentation X_4^0 and X_3^1 while retaining information on momentum fraction z in one kinematic configuration (initial-final)
- Inheritance of the momentum fraction z in consecutive unresolved limits

Integration of Fragmentation X_4^0

Necessary fragmentation antenna functions for photon production:

$\tilde{A}_{q,\gamma gq}^0$ subtracts $q \parallel g \parallel \gamma$ limit

$\tilde{E}_{q,q'\bar{q}'\gamma}^0$ subtracts the $q' \parallel \gamma \parallel \bar{q}'$ limit

Initial-final antenna phase space: $d\Phi_A \propto d\Phi_3(q(Q^2) + p \rightarrow k_1 + k_2 + \gamma(k_3))$

Additional δ -distribution in phase space integral fixes momentum fraction z :

$$\mathcal{X}_4^0(x, z) \propto \int d^d k_1 d^d k_2 \delta(k_1^2) \delta(k_2^2) \delta((p - q - k_1 - k_2)^2) \delta\left(z - \frac{s_{p3}}{s_{p1} + s_{p2} + s_{p3}}\right) X_4^0$$

For initial-final configuration: additional dependence on the initial-state momentum fraction x

Integration of Fragmentation X_4^0

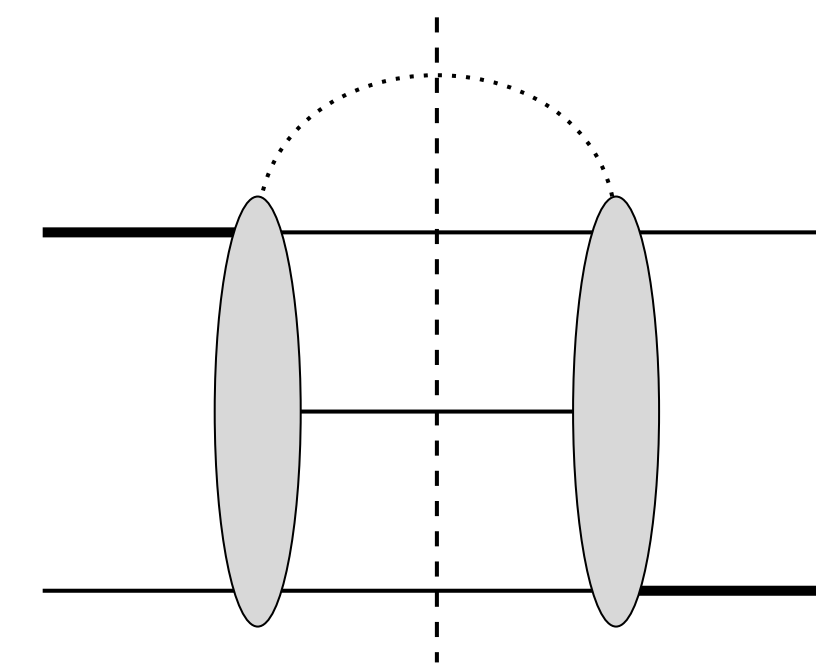
Strategy:

Unitarity \rightarrow replace δ -distributions by propagators

$$2\pi i\delta(k_1^2) = \frac{1}{k_1^2 + i\epsilon} - \frac{1}{k_1^2 - i\epsilon}$$

Phase space integral = cut through loop integral:

- Reduction of integrals using IBP-relations to 9 master integrals (MI)
- MI are calculated by solving differential equations in x and z
- Integration constants fixed by integrating over z and comparing to inclusive result



Integration of Fragmentation X_3^1

Antenna phase space in initial-final configuration:

$$d\Phi_A \propto d\Phi_2(q(Q^2) + p \rightarrow k_1 + \gamma(k_2)); \quad z = \frac{s_{p2}}{s_{p2} + s_{p1}}$$

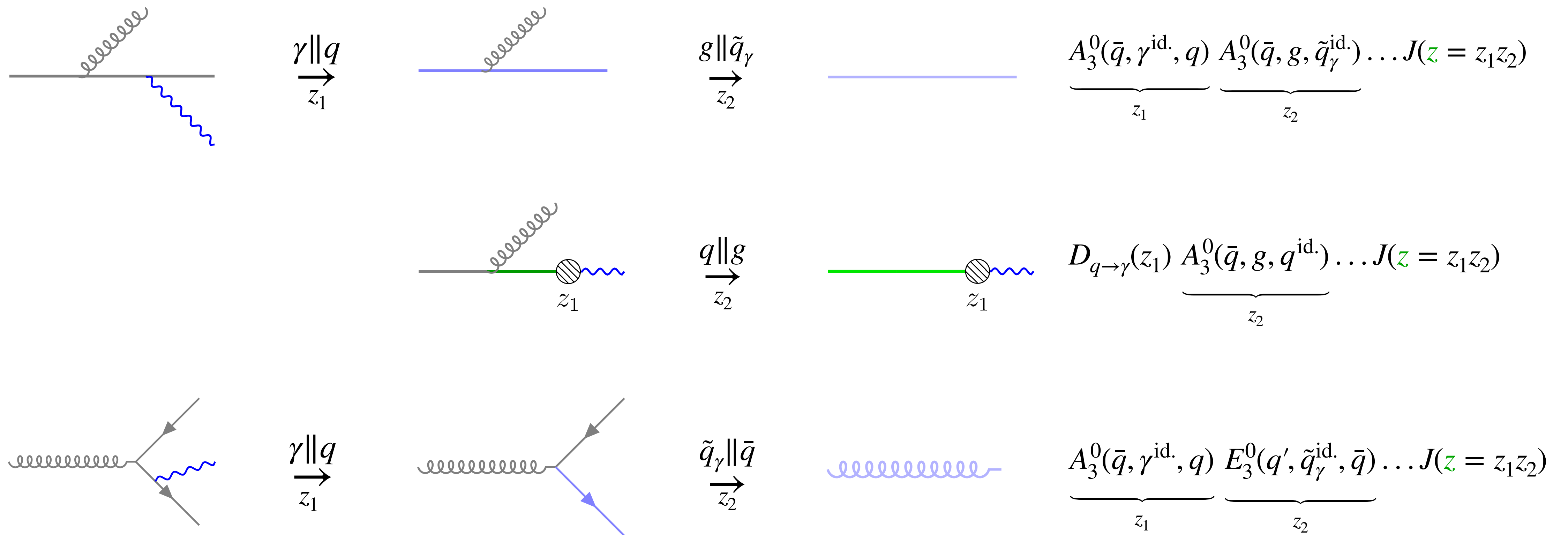
No actual integration has to be performed:

$$\mathcal{X}_3^1(x, z) = \frac{1}{C(\epsilon)} \int \frac{d\Phi_2}{dz} \frac{Q^2}{2\pi} X_3^1 = \frac{Q^2}{2} \frac{e^{\gamma_E \epsilon}}{\Gamma(1 - \epsilon)} (Q^2)^{-\epsilon} J^\gamma(x, z) X_3^1$$

However, X_3^1 has to be cast into a form suitable for an expansion in distributions in $1 - x$ and z

Inheritance of z

In consecutive unresolved limits a proper inheritance of z is required:



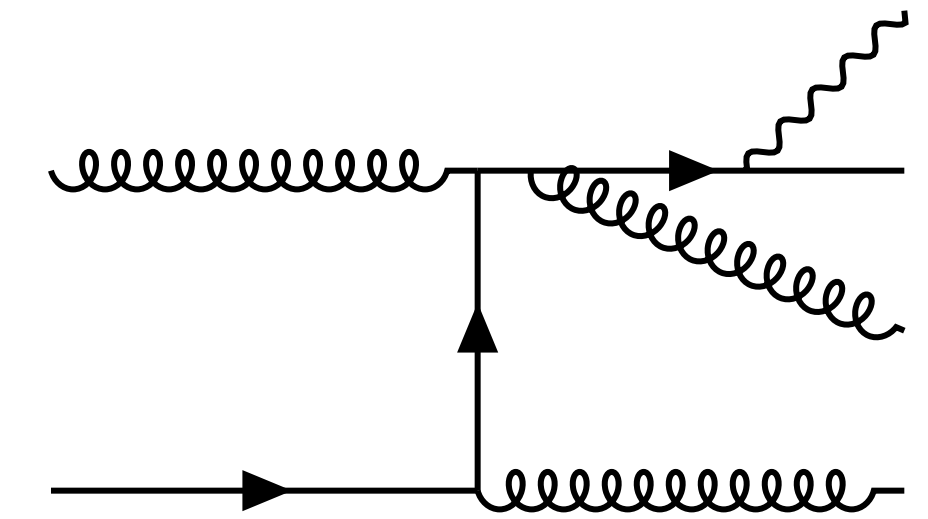
Subtraction Term

Subtraction term for subleading color matrix element $\tilde{B}_3^{\gamma,0}(\hat{q}, \hat{g}, g_1, g_2, q, \gamma)$

$$d\sigma_{\text{QCD}}^{S,a} = +A_{3,q}^0(\hat{q}, g_1, q) \tilde{B}_2^{G,0}(\bar{\hat{q}}, \hat{g}, g_2, \tilde{q}_{g_1}, \gamma) J_1^{(3)}(\{\tilde{p}\}_3)$$

$$d\sigma_\gamma^{S,a} = +A_{3,q}^0(\hat{q}, \gamma^{\text{id.}}, q) \tilde{B}_3^0(\bar{\hat{q}}, \hat{g}, g_1, g_2, \tilde{q}_\gamma) J_1^{(3)}(\{\tilde{p}\}_3; \mathbf{z})$$

$$\begin{aligned} d\sigma_\gamma^{S,b} = & +\tilde{A}_4^0(\hat{q}, g_1, \gamma^{\text{id.}}, q) \tilde{B}_2^0(\bar{\hat{q}}, \hat{g}, g_2, \tilde{q}_{\gamma g_1}) J_1^{(2)}(\{\tilde{p}\}_2; \mathbf{z}) \\ & -A_{3,q}^0(\hat{q}, g_1, q) A_{3,q}^0(\bar{\hat{q}}, \gamma^{\text{id.}}, \tilde{q}_{g_1}) \tilde{B}_2^0(\bar{\hat{q}}, \hat{g}, g_2, (\gamma \tilde{q}_{g_1})) J_1^{(2)}(\{\tilde{p}\}_2; \mathbf{z}) \\ & -A_{3,q}^0(\hat{q}, \gamma^{\text{id.}}, q) A_{3,q}^0(\bar{\hat{q}}, g_1, \tilde{q}_\gamma^{\text{id.}}) \tilde{B}_2^0(\bar{\hat{q}}, \hat{g}, g_2, (g_1 \tilde{q}_\gamma)) J_1^{(2)}(\{\tilde{p}\}_2; \mathbf{z} = z_1 z_2) \end{aligned}$$



- $d\sigma_{\text{QCD}}^{S,a}$ and $d\sigma_\gamma^{S,a}$ subtract the single unresolved limits of the matrix element
- $d\sigma_\gamma^{S,b}$ subtract double unresolved limits of the matrix element

$$\text{Full subtraction term: } d\sigma^S = d\sigma_{\text{QCD}}^{S,a} + d\sigma_\gamma^{S,a} + d\sigma_{\text{QCD}}^{S,b} + d\sigma_\gamma^{S,b}$$

Conclusion

- Including fragmentation contribution in predictions for $d\sigma^{\gamma+X}$ crucial to overcome irreducible systematic uncertainty (use of different isolation prescriptions in experiment and theory)
- Requires identification of final state photon in unresolved limits
- Within antenna subtraction: use of fragmentation antenna functions
 - new class of integrated antenna functions (X_3^0, X_4^0, X_3^1) depending on final state momentum fraction
- Applications of subtraction with identified final state particles beyond $\gamma(+\text{jet})$ production:
 - di-gamma, identified hadron production
 - complementary process: EW correction to $\gamma(+\text{jet})$, discriminate $\gamma(+\text{jet})$ final state from $\gamma(+\gamma)$ final state

Thank you for your attention!

BACKUP

NLO Results

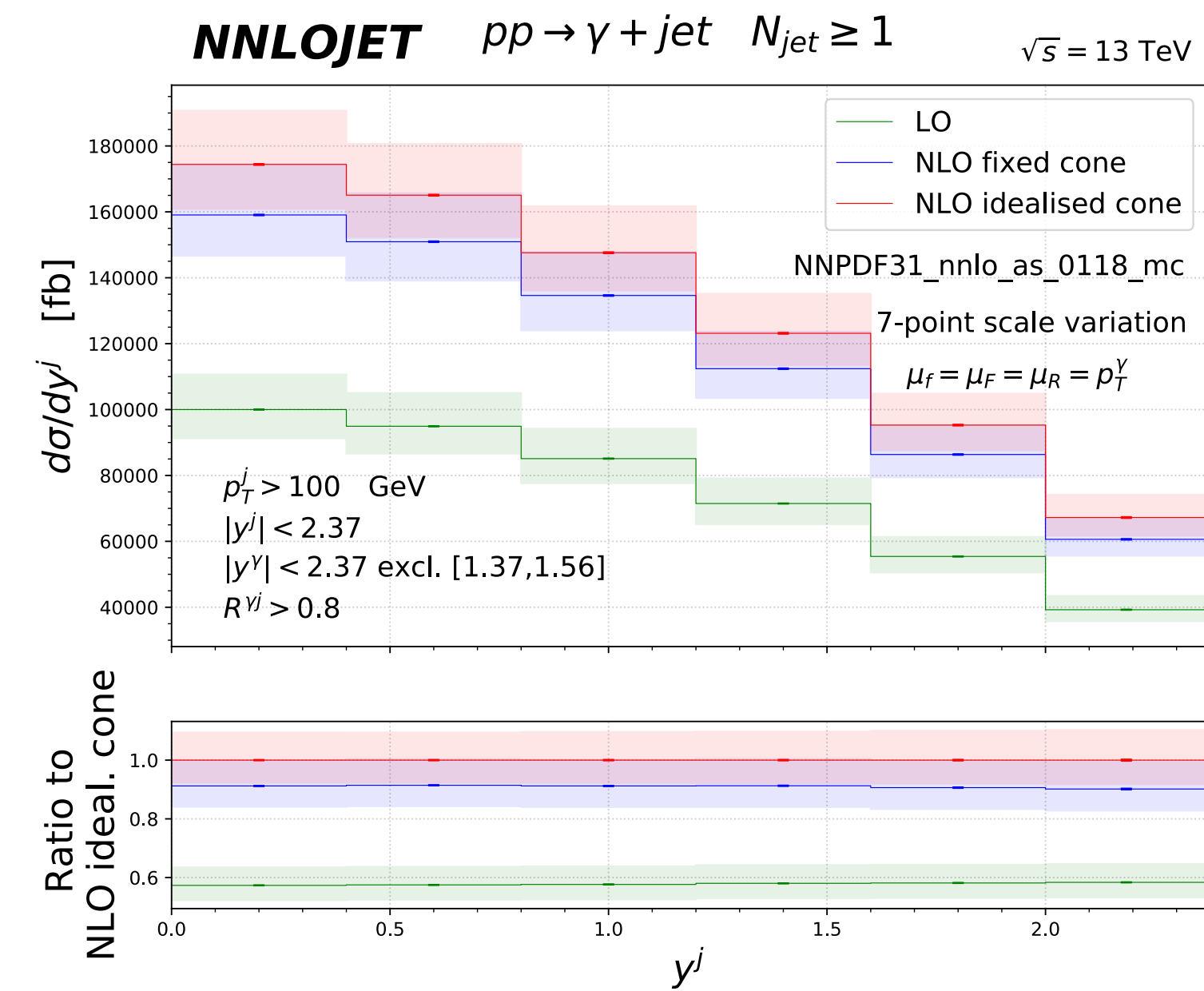
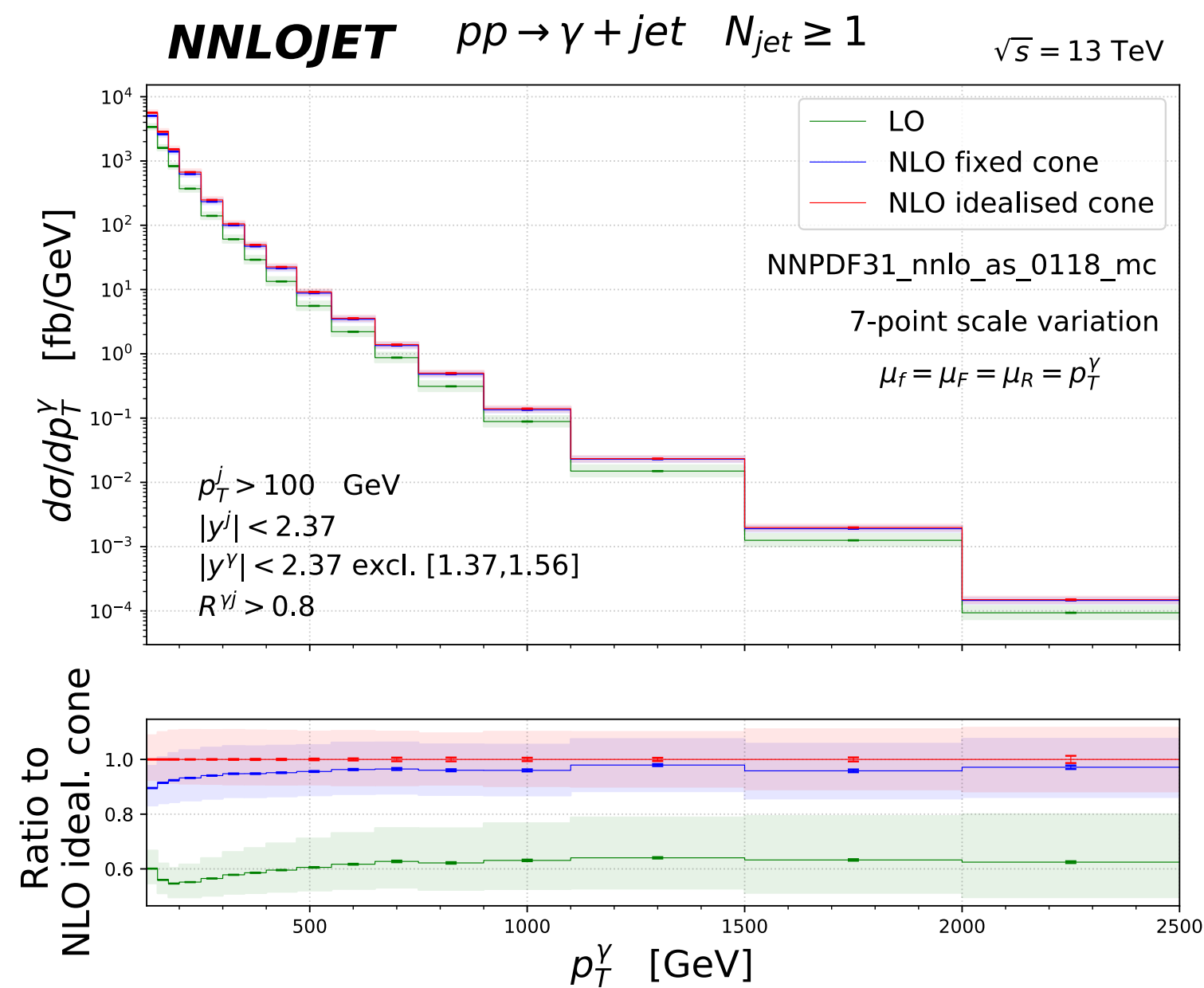
Comparison between fixed cone isolation and idealised isolation @ NLO

Set-up:

ATLAS 13 TeV photon+jet study *Atlas, 2018*, Fragmentation functions: BFG2 set *L. Bourhis et al., 1998*

Fixed cone isolation: $R = 0.4$, $E_T^{\max} = 0.0042 p_T^\gamma + 10 \text{ GeV}$

Idealised isolation: dynamical cone ($R_d = 0.1, \epsilon = 0.1, n = 2$) + fixed cone



Integration of Fragmentation X_3^1

X_3^1 can be expressed in terms of Box and Bubble MIs:

$$X_3^1(x, z) = \sum_{i=1}^3 f_i(x, z) \text{Box}_i(x, z) + \sum_{k=1}^4 g_k(x, z) \text{Bub}_k(x, z) + h(x, z)$$

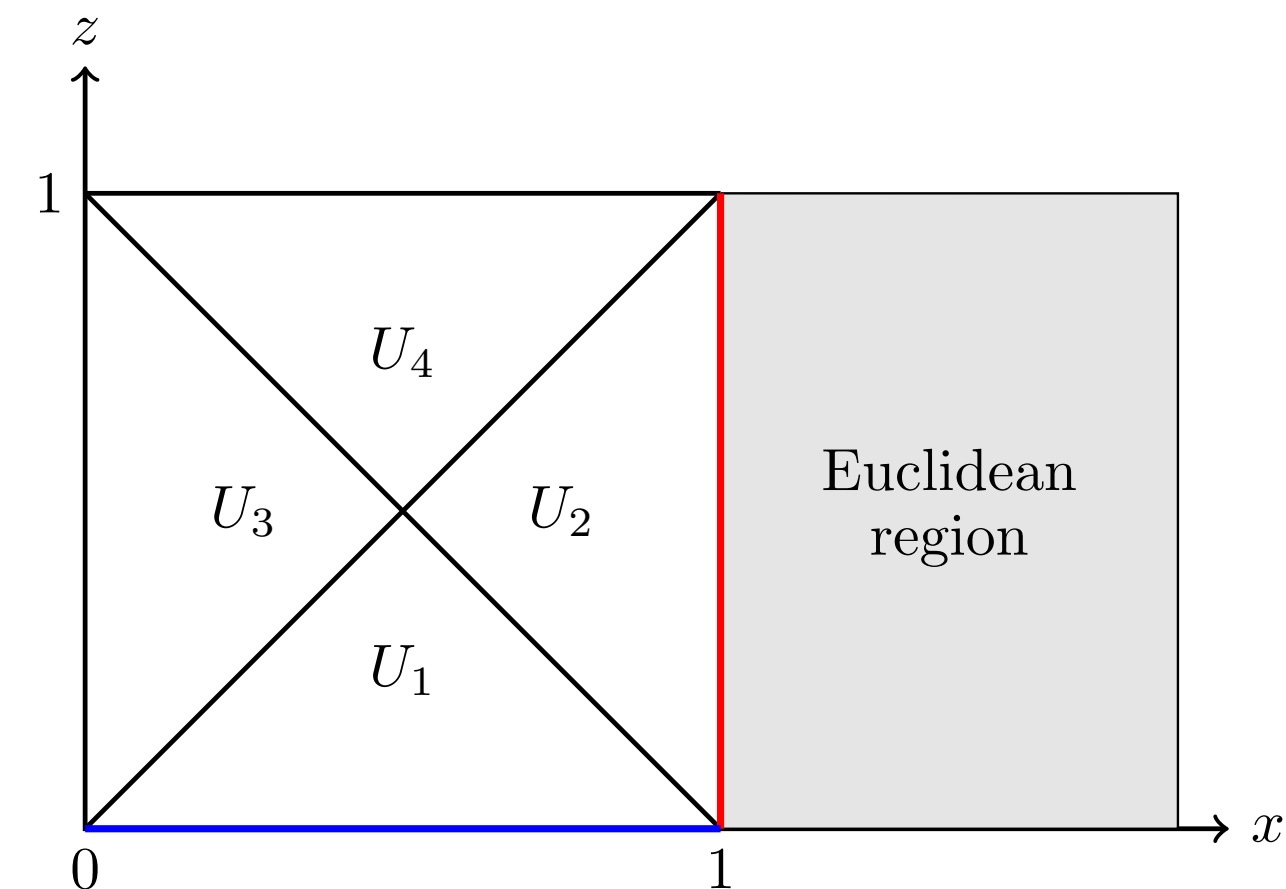
$$\text{Box}_i(x, z) \propto \sum_{j=1}^3 \left(r_{i,j}(x, z) \right)^{-\epsilon} {}_2F_1(-\epsilon, -\epsilon; 1 - \epsilon; a_{i,j}(x, z))$$

Box-integrals: real-valued and well defined
in Euclidean region only

→ analytic continuation needed

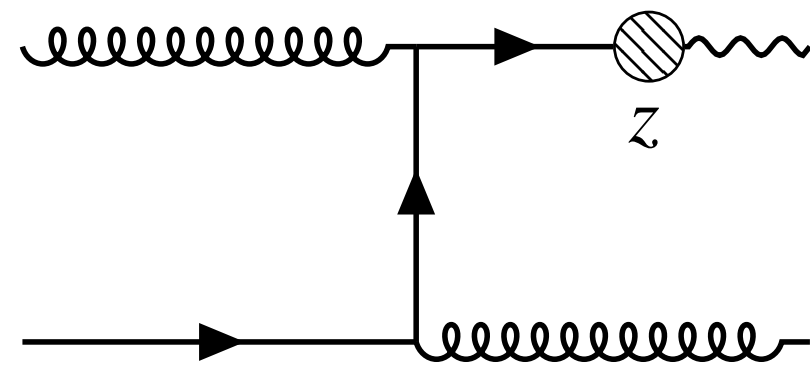
Branch cuts ($a_{i,j}(x, z) = 1, \pm \infty$) within the physical region

→ distinguish different regions in the x - z -plane



Fragmentation as EW correction

Fragmentation contribution to $\gamma + \text{jet}$:

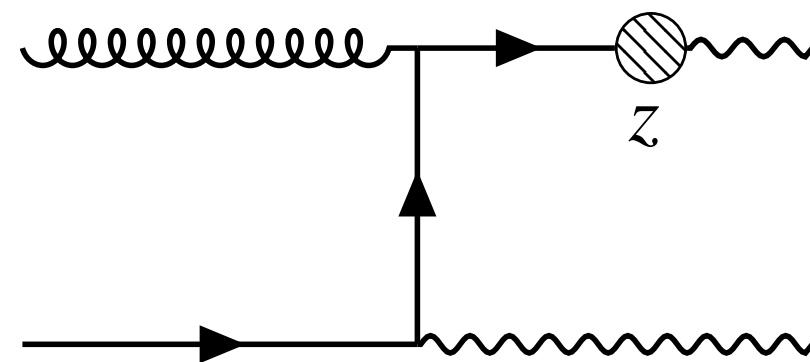


To have a $\gamma + \text{jet}$ final state:

Quark-photon cluster from fragmentation has to be identified as a photon

Lower limit on photon momentum fraction: $z > z_{\min}$

Fragmentation as EW contribution to $\gamma + \text{jet}$:



To have a $\gamma + \text{jet}$ final state:

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Upper limit on photon momentum fraction: $z < z_{\max}$