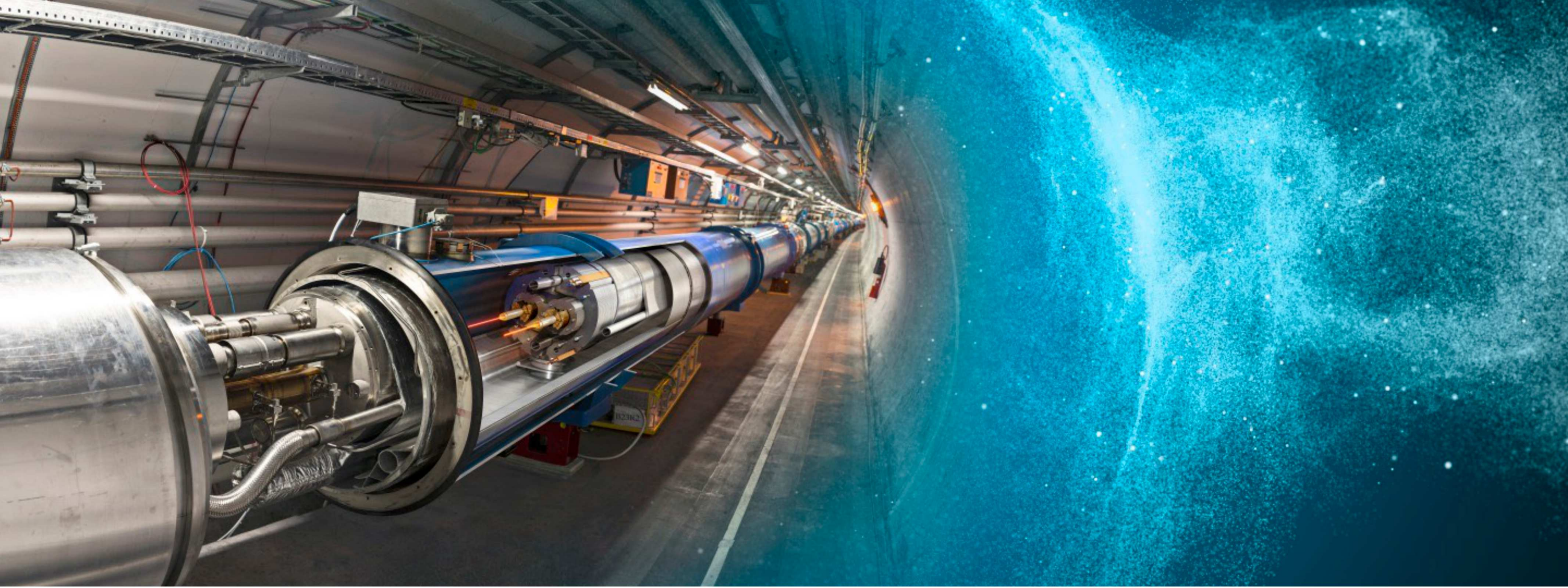




PRECISION PREDICTIONS FOR HIGGS BOSON PRODUCTION

Alexander Huss

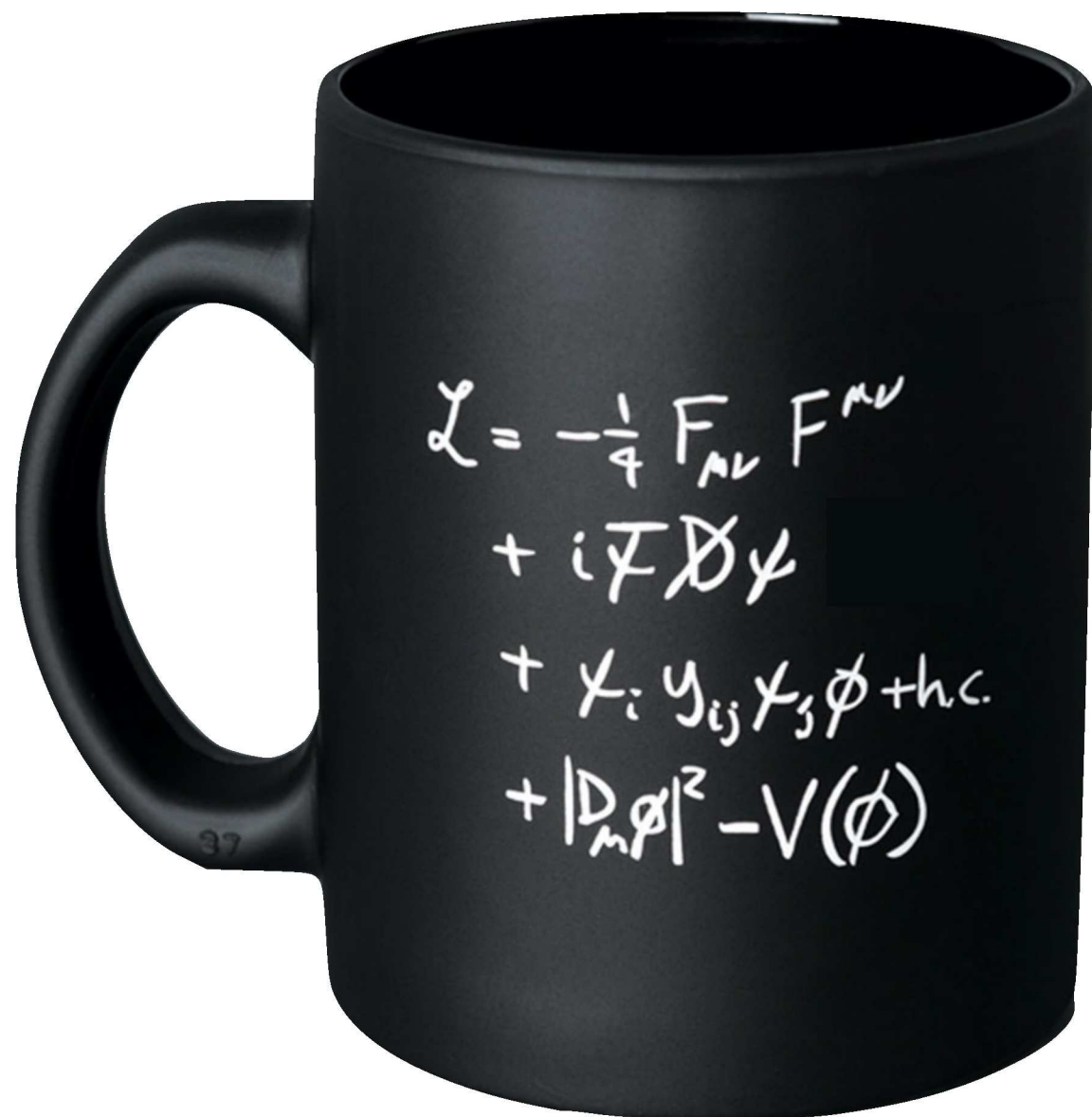
Work with: *X. Chen, T. Gehrmann, N. Glover, B. Mistlberger, A. Pelloni*

arXiv:2102.07607 [hep-ph]

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Status: May 2020





This equation neatly sums up our current understanding of fundamental particles and forces.

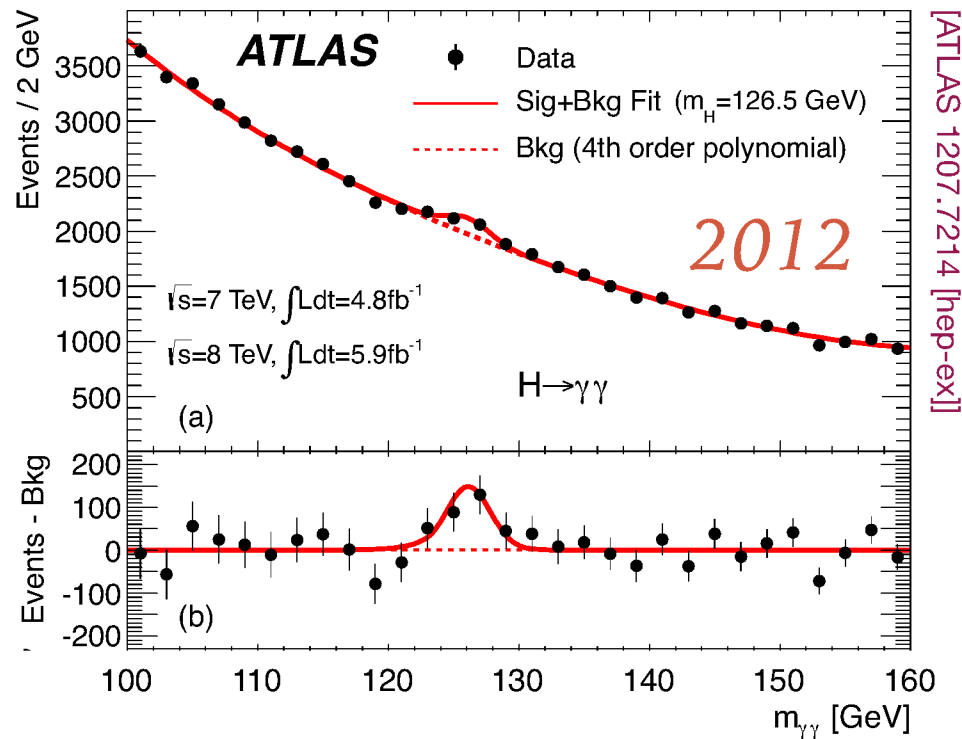
... BUT NOT THE FULL STORY

- origin of dark matter
- hierarchy problem
- matter anti-matter asymmetry
- hierarchy of scales (generations)
- unification with gravity
- ...
- is it *really* the SM Higgs? (properties)
- what is the Higgs potential?
- establish the Yukawa's Y_{ij}
- ... **scrutinise the Higgs sector**

EXPERIMENTS ARE MOVING FAST

precision is the
name of the game!

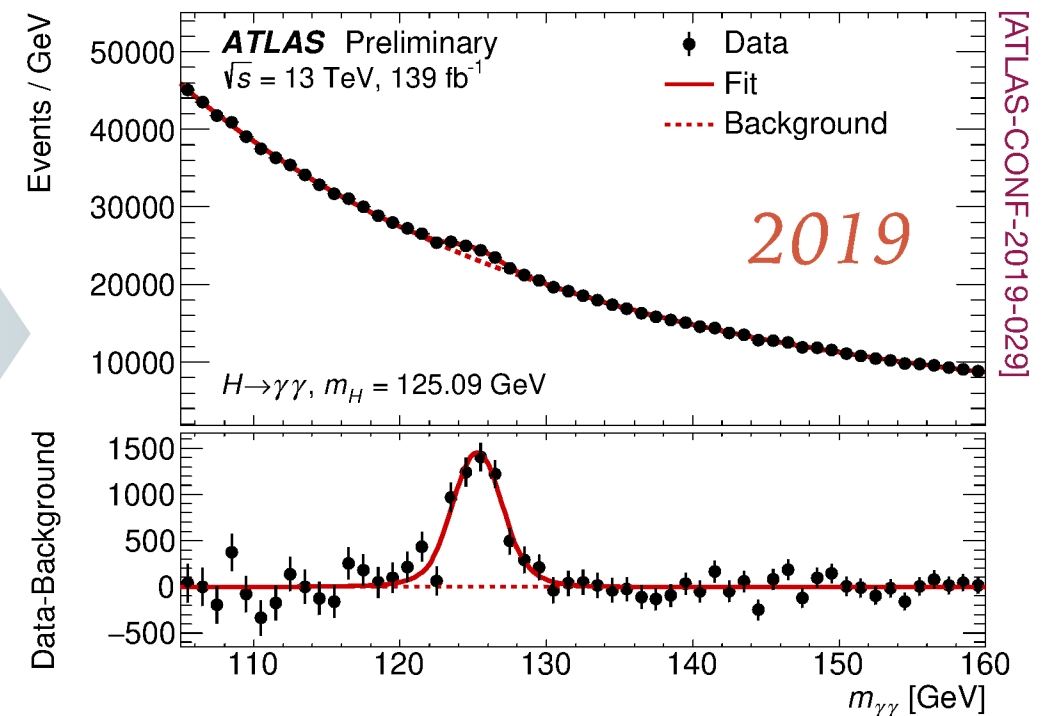
DISCOVERY



[ATLAS 1207.7214 [hep-ex]]

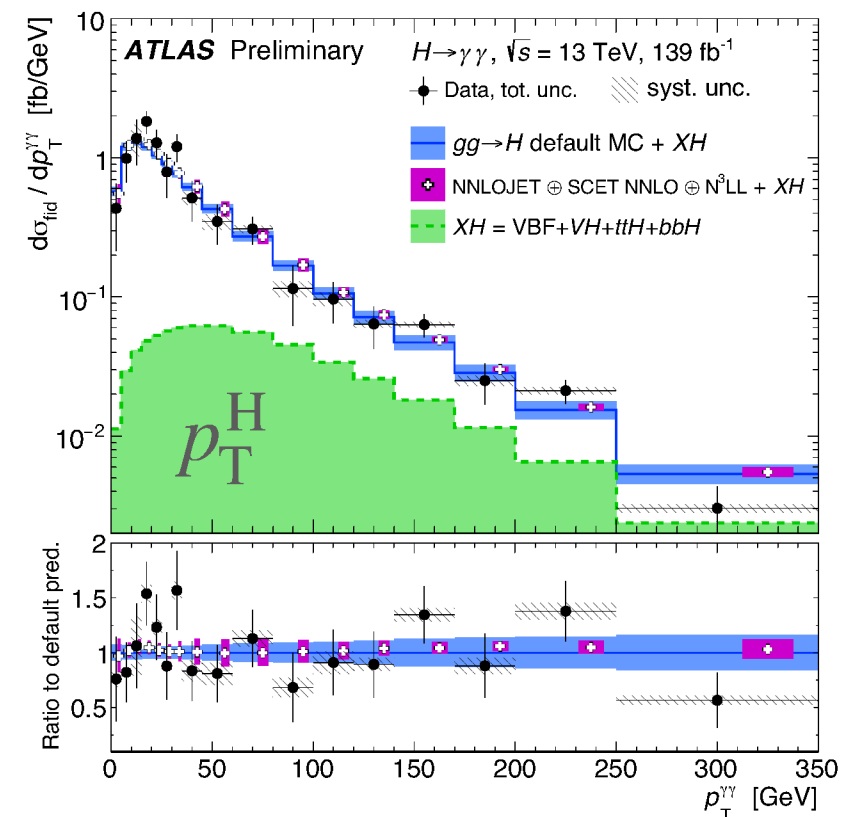
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TODAY

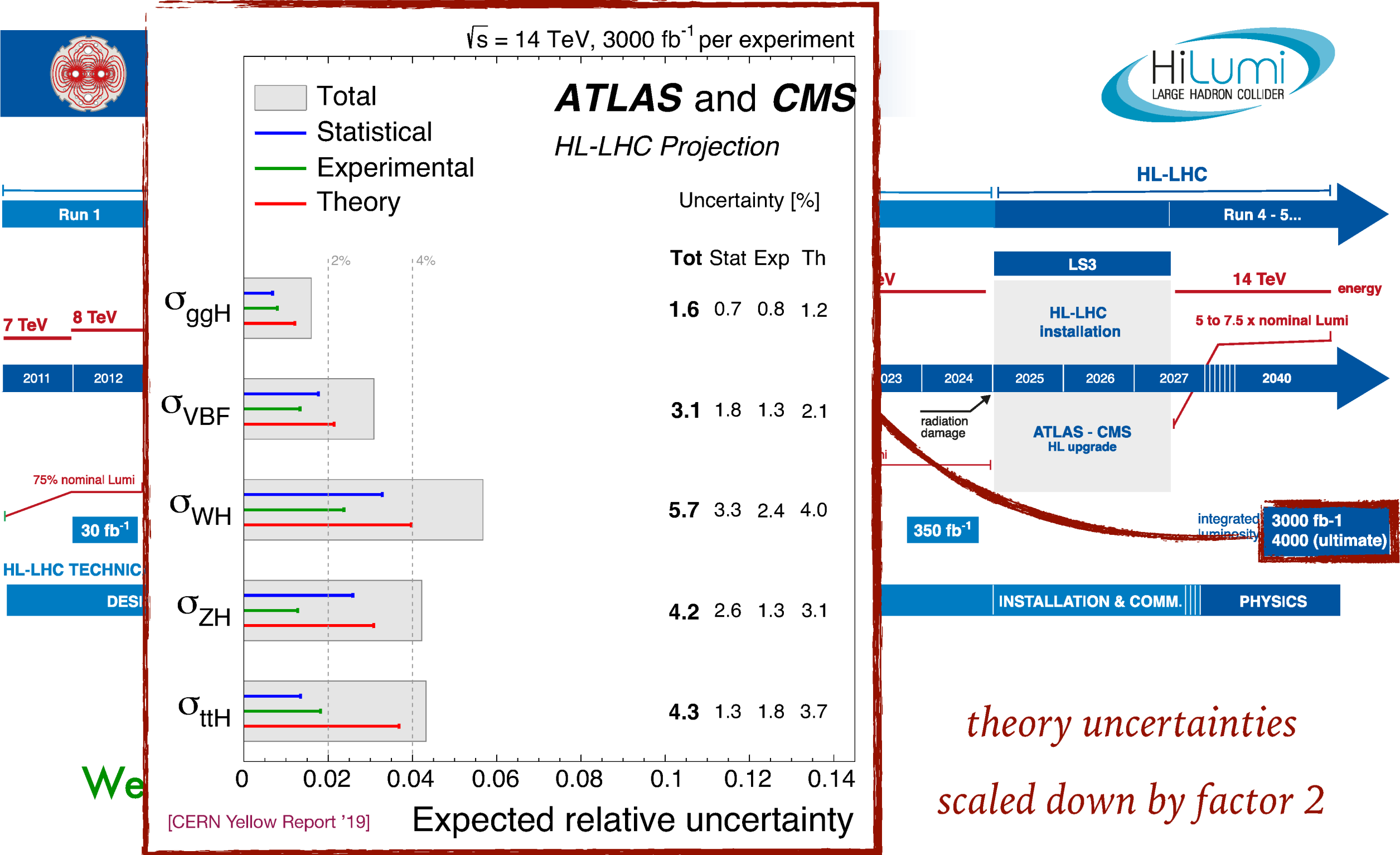


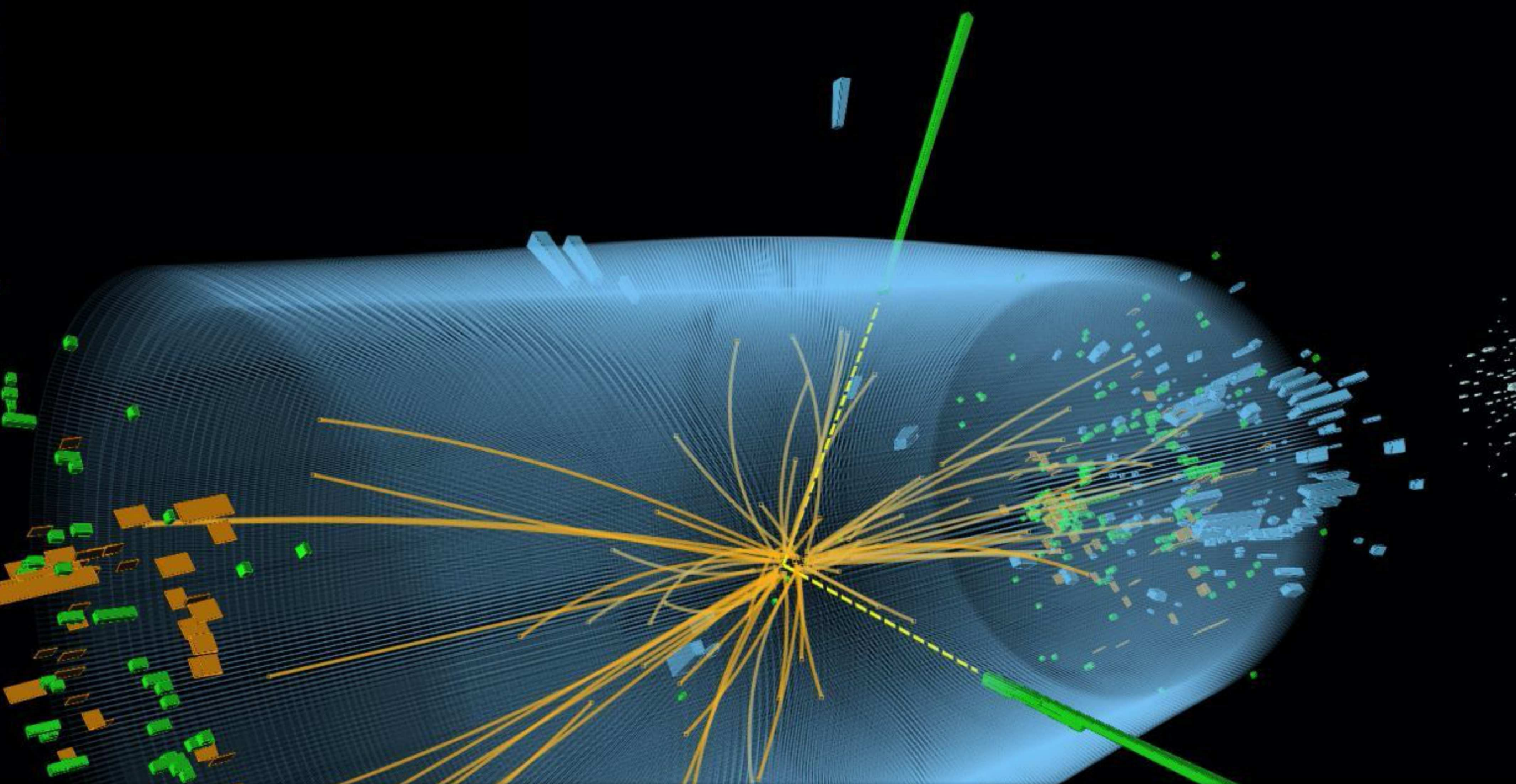
[ATLAS-CONF-2019-029]

- Higgs for precision phenomenology
 - signal strengths $\rightsquigarrow$ differential spectra
 - Higgs properties (couplings, potential, ...)
- A tool for New Physics searches
 - scalar ($\leftrightarrow$ sensitive to high scales), composite?
 - extended EW symmetry breaking sector, portal, ...?

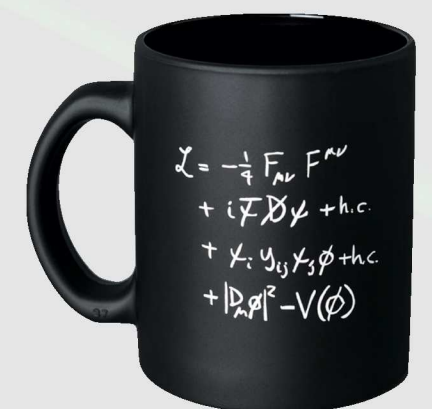


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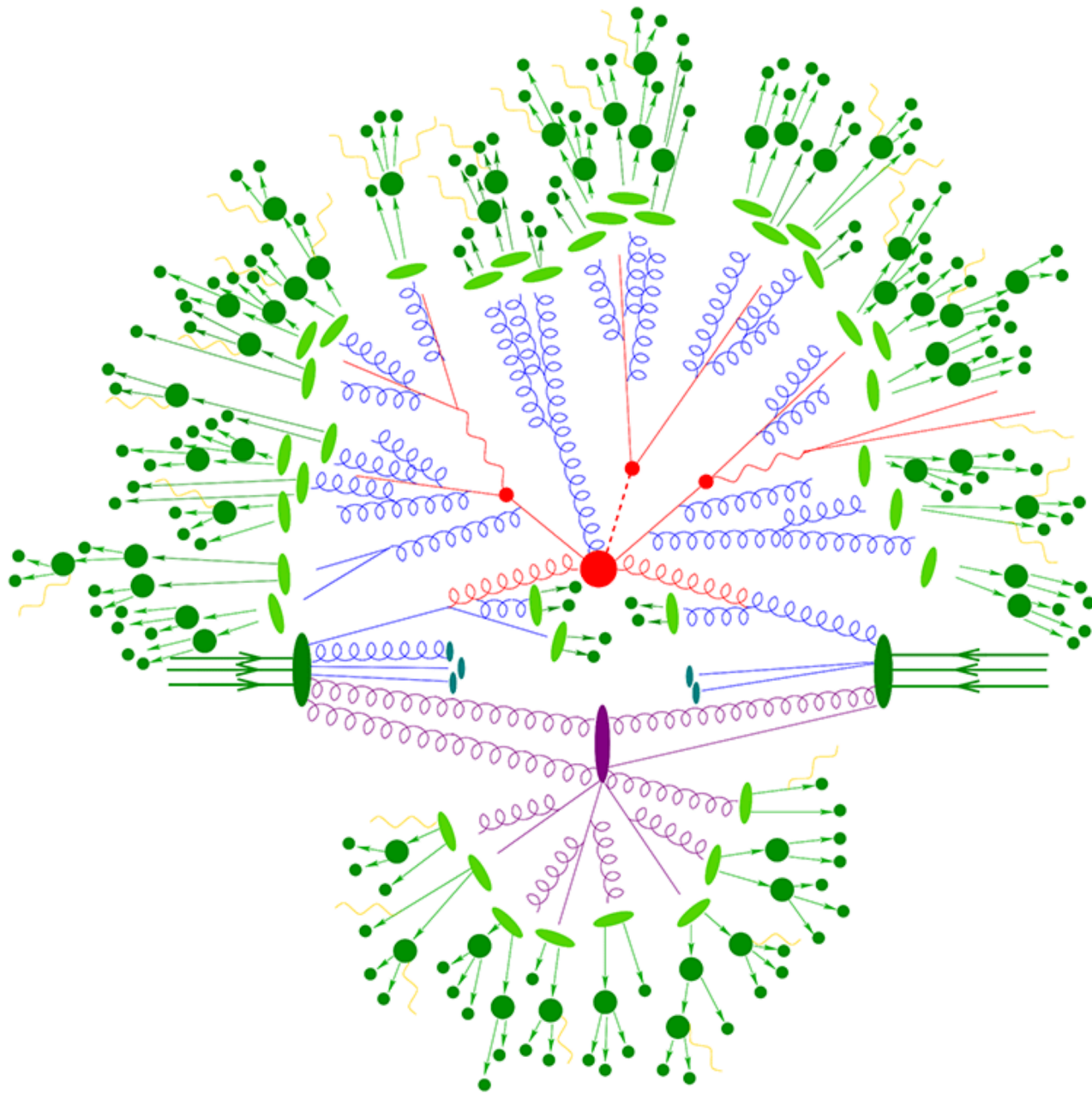




HOW DO WE PREDICT THIS FROM **THEORY?**

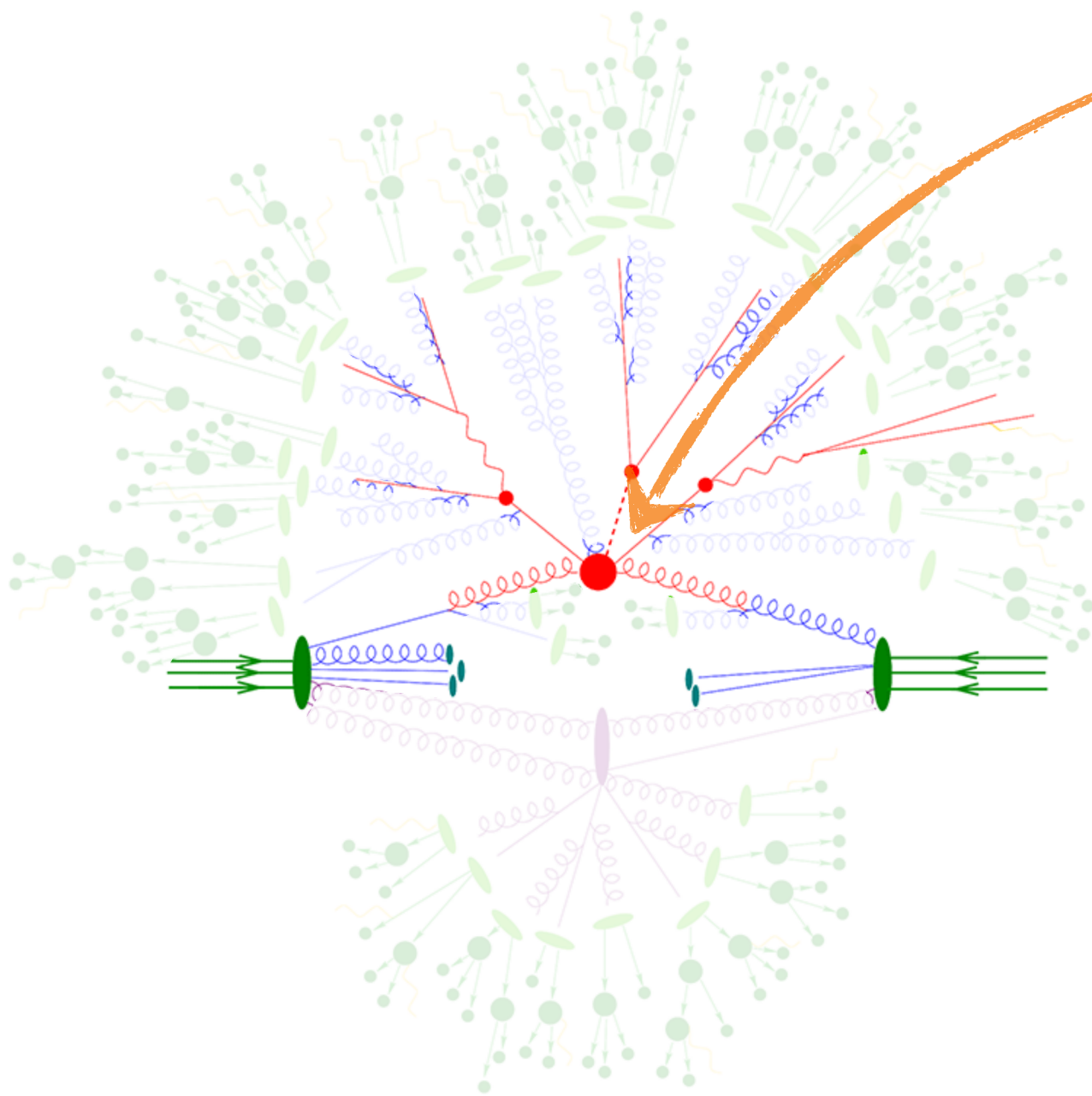


HIGH-PRECISION THEORY PREDICTIONS!



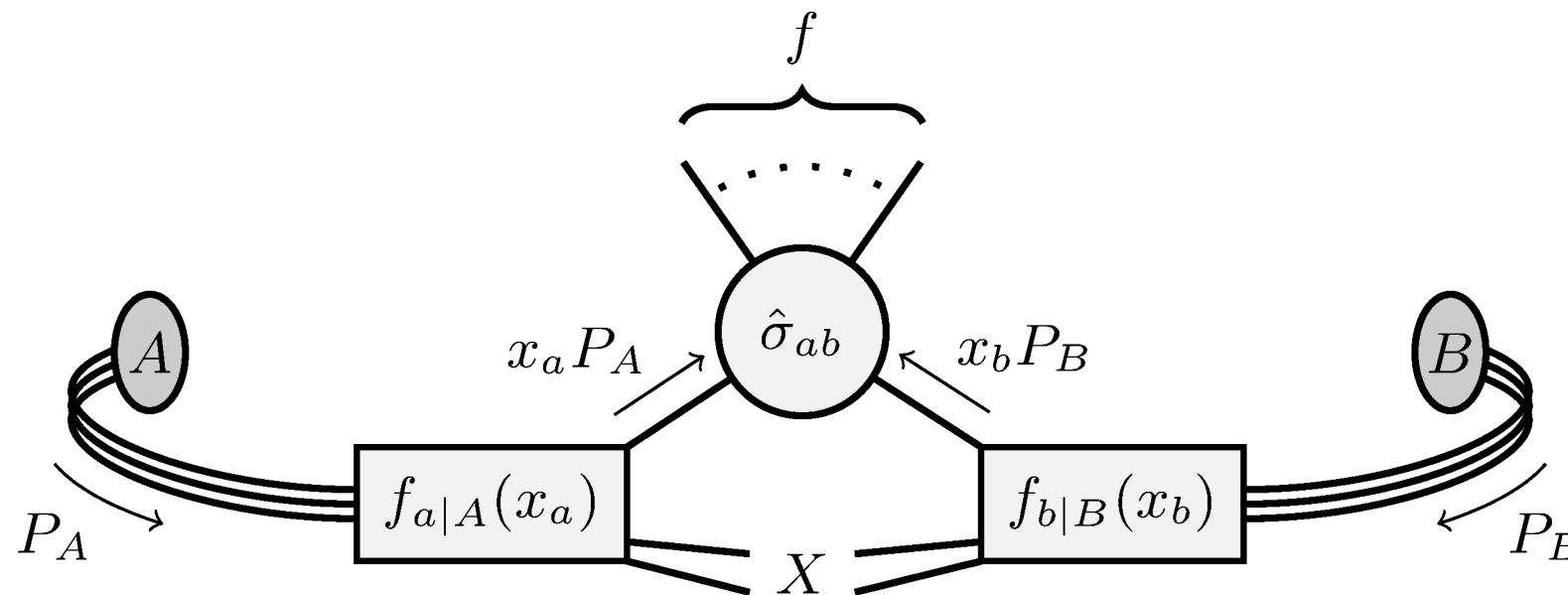
- (HL-)LHC — per-cent level!
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THEORY PREDICTIONS FOR THE LHC



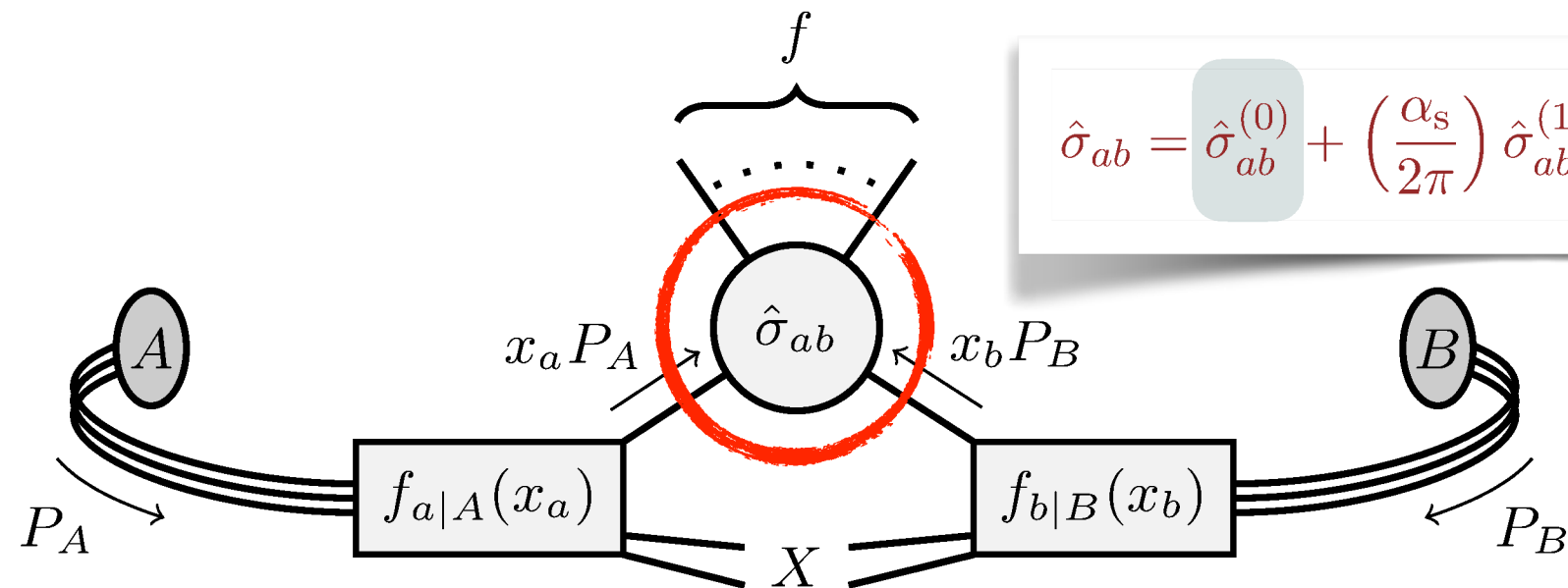
$$\sigma_{AB} = \sum_{ab} \int_0^1 dx_a \int_0^1 dx_b f_{a|A}(x_a) f_{b|B}(x_b) \hat{\sigma}_{ab}(x_a, x_b) (1 + \mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}/Q))$$

parton distribution functions
(non-perturbative, universal)

hard scattering
(perturbation theory)

non-perturbative effects
(no good understanding)
ultimately, limiting factor?

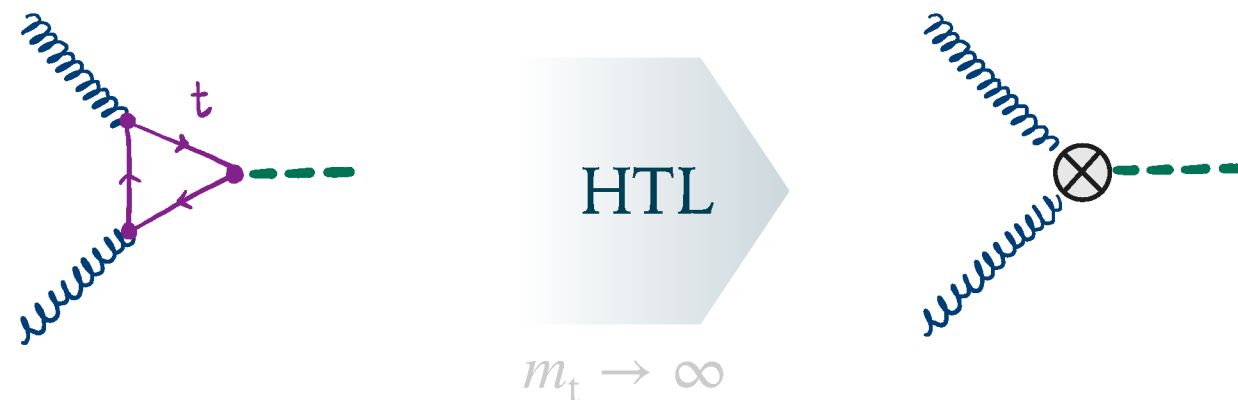
HARD SCATTERING — PERTURBATION THEORY



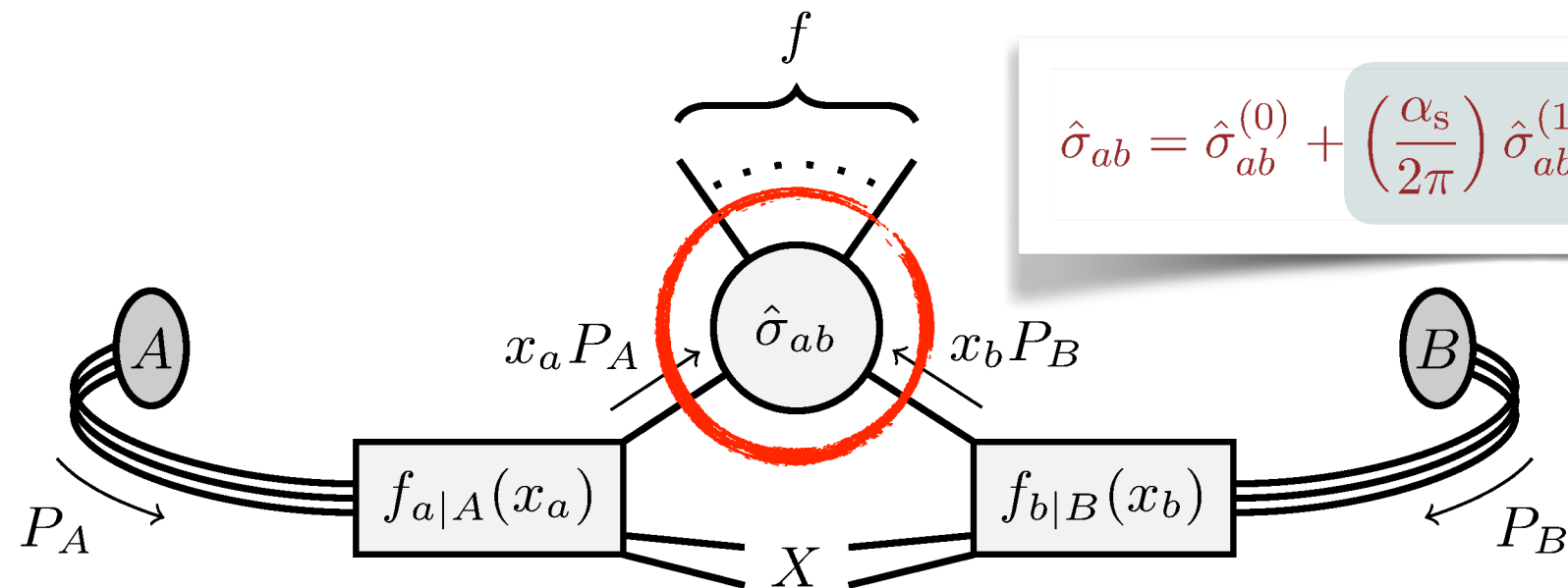
gluon-fusion production:

- $\sim 90\%$ of all Higgs
- “heavy top limit”

leading order (LO) “tree level”

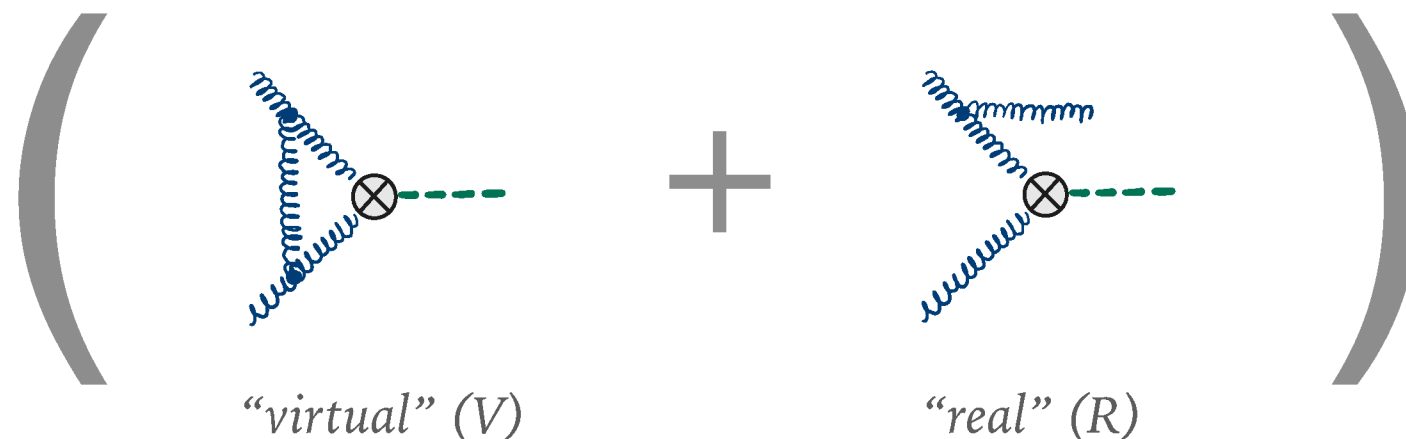


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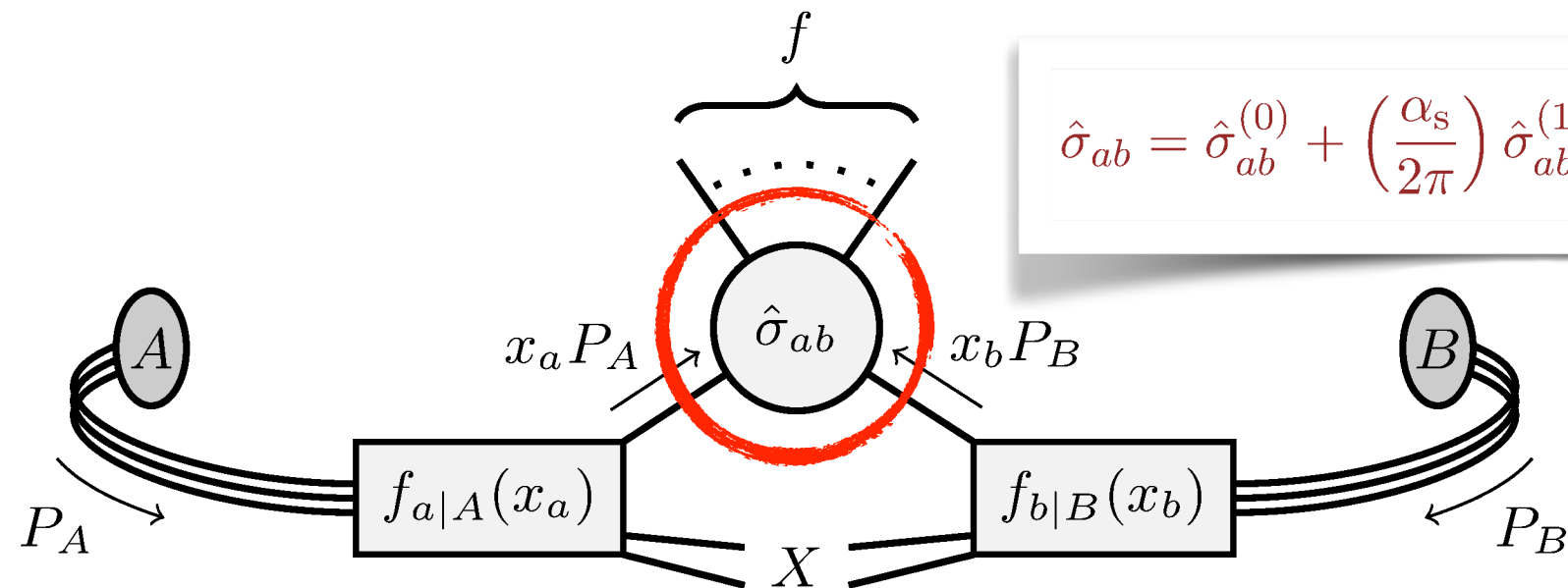


$$\hat{\sigma}_{ab} = \hat{\sigma}_{ab}^{(0)} + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi}\right) \hat{\sigma}_{ab}^{(1)} + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi}\right)^2 \hat{\sigma}_{ab}^{(2)} + \dots$$

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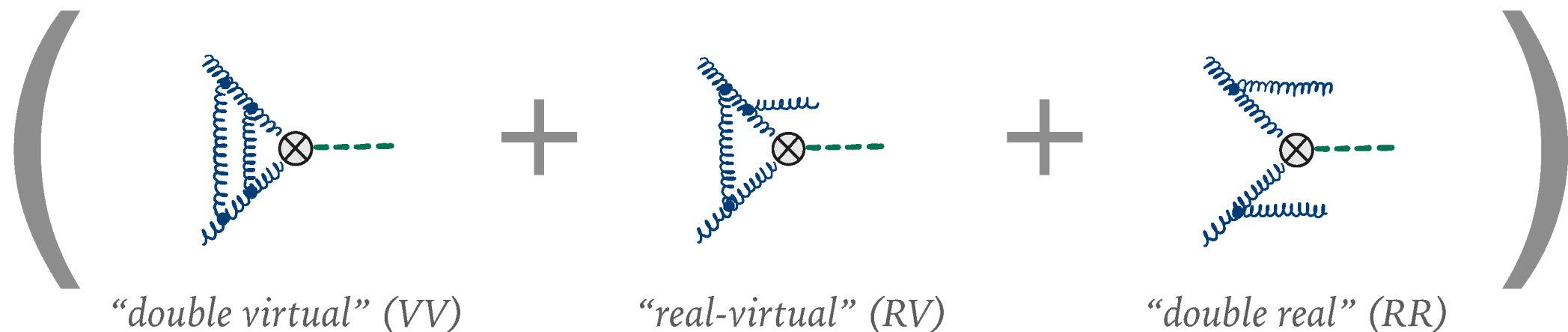


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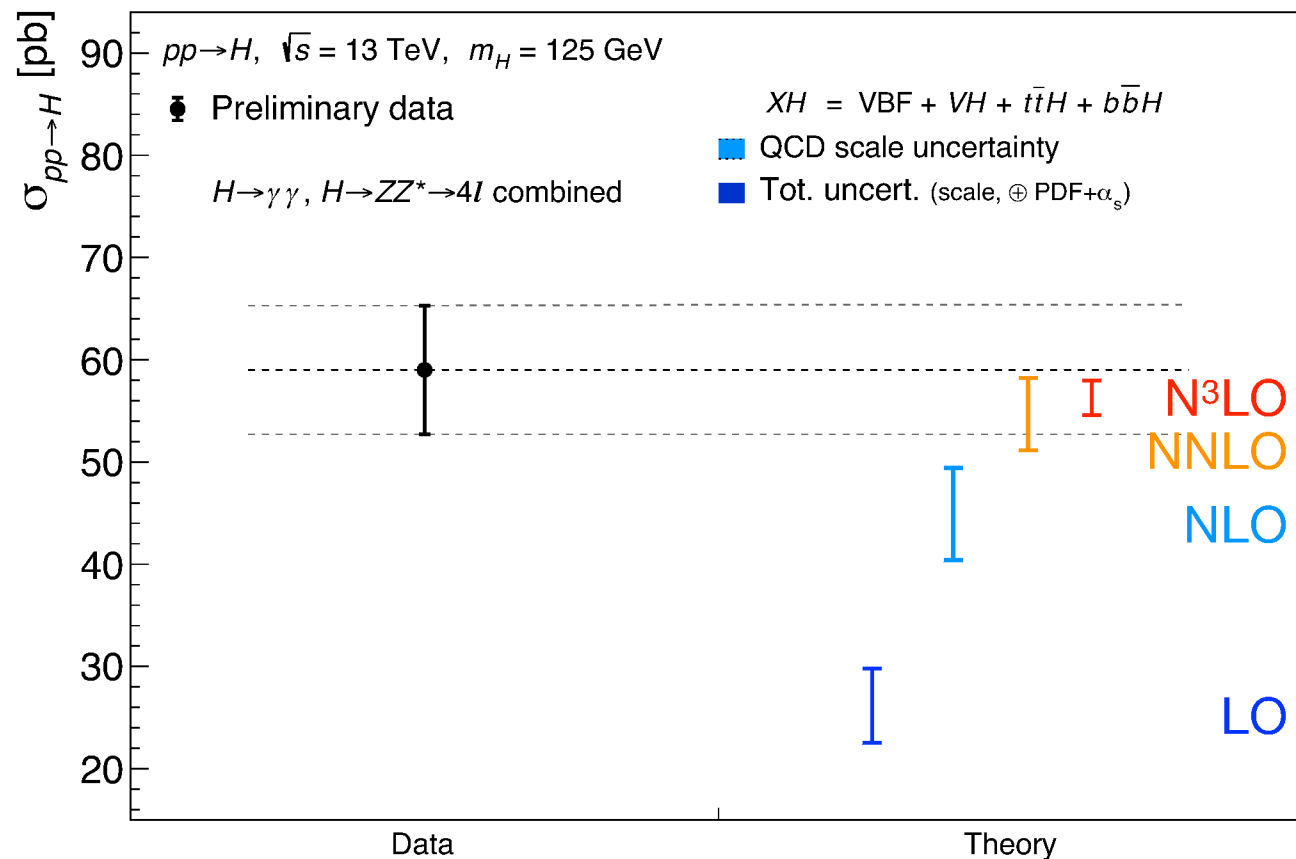


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HARD SCATTERING — PERTURBATION THEORY



- Higgs in gluon fusion
 - ▶ notoriously slow convergence

- N^3LO stabilises expansion!

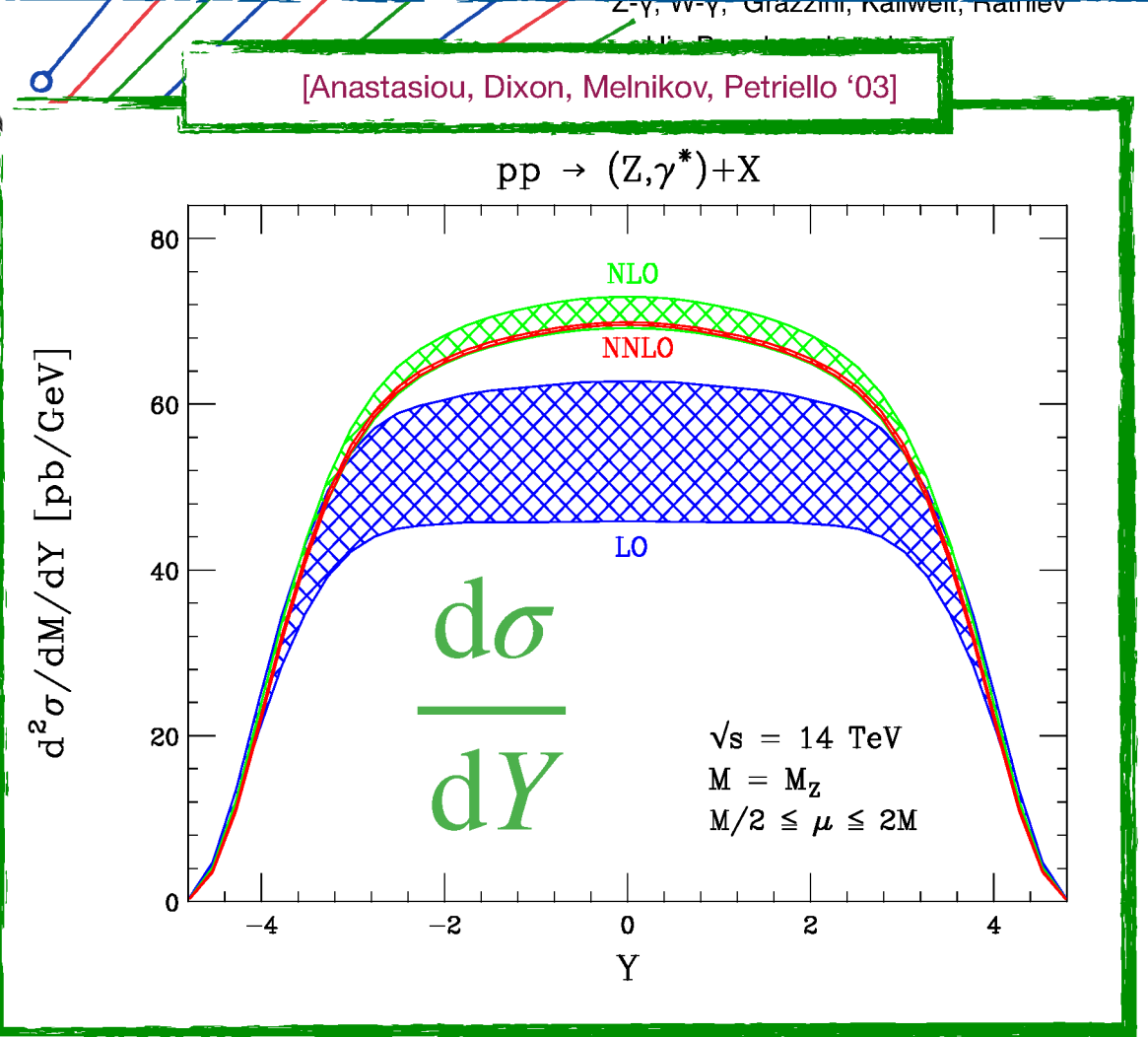
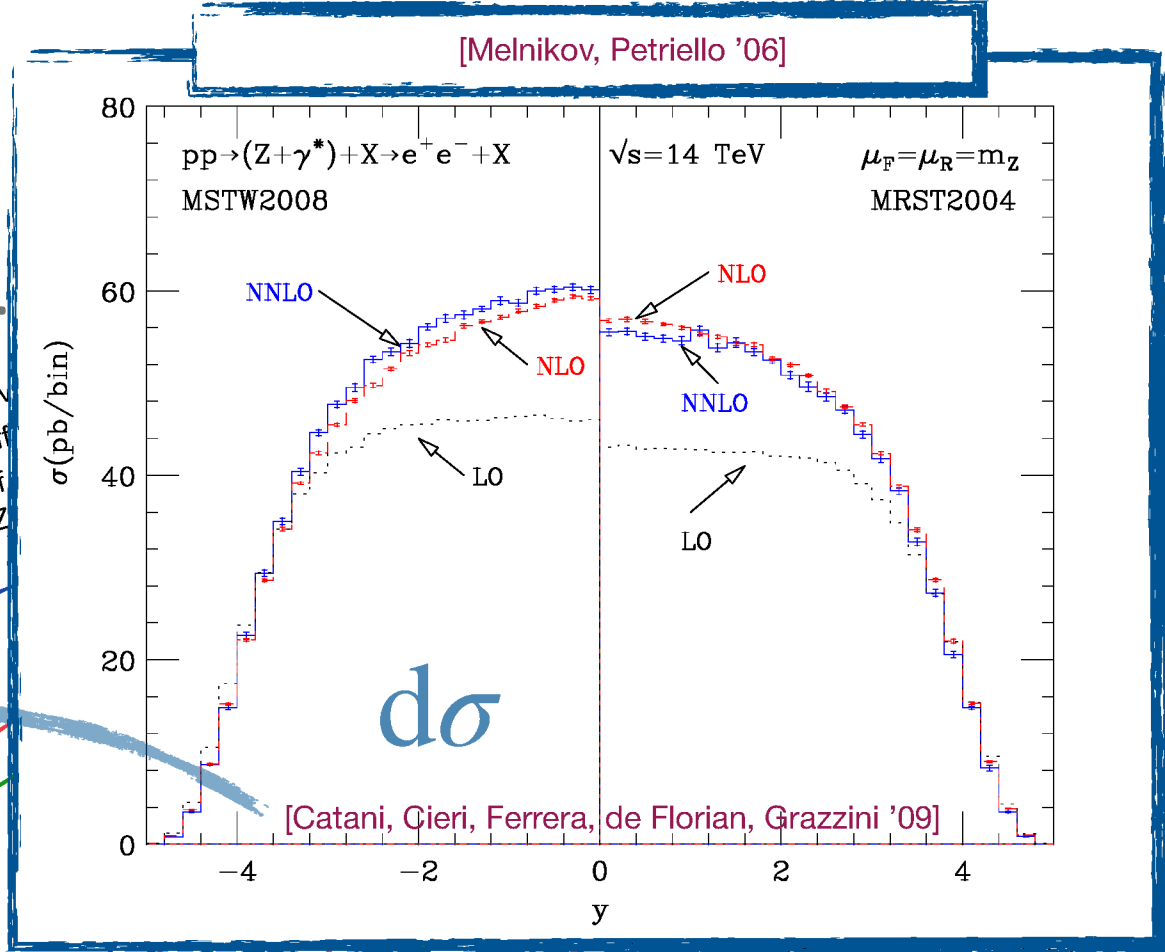
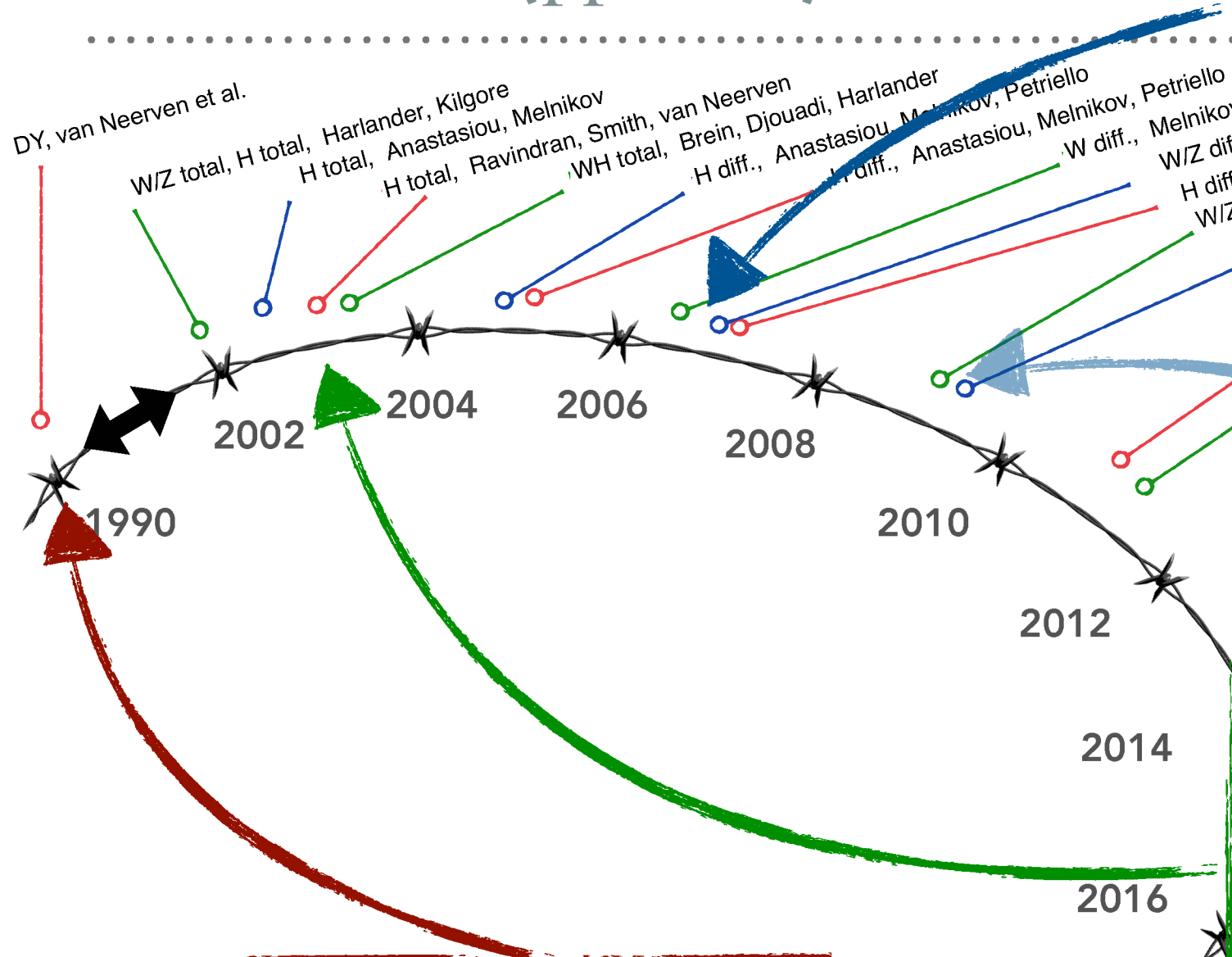
[Anastasiou et al. '15]
[Mistlberger '18]

“so, N^3LO is a solved problem then?”
...not quite

next-to-next-to-next-to-leading order (N^3LO)



DRELL-YAN ($pp \rightarrow Z$) @ NNLO:



[Hamberg, van Neerven, Matsuura '90]
[Harlander, Kilgore '02]

Nuclear Physics B
Volume 359, Issues 2-3, 5 August 1991, Pages 343-405

A complete calculation of the order α_s^2 correction to the Drell-Yan K-factor

σ_{tot}

R. Hamberg¹, W.L. van Neerven^{1,1}, T. Matsuura^{2,**}

HIGGS @ N³LO & GOING DIFFERENTIAL

$\sigma_{\text{tot}}^{\text{pp} \rightarrow \text{H}}$

- What is the **probability** of producing a Higgs boson?

inclusive

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}}^{\text{N}^3\text{LO}} = 48.68 \text{ pb}^{+2.07 \text{ pb}}_{-3.16 \text{ pb}}$$

✓ analytic integration over full phase space

✗ no information on final state

HIGGS @ N³LO & GOING DIFFERENTIAL

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$$\frac{d\sigma^{pp \rightarrow H}}{dY}$$

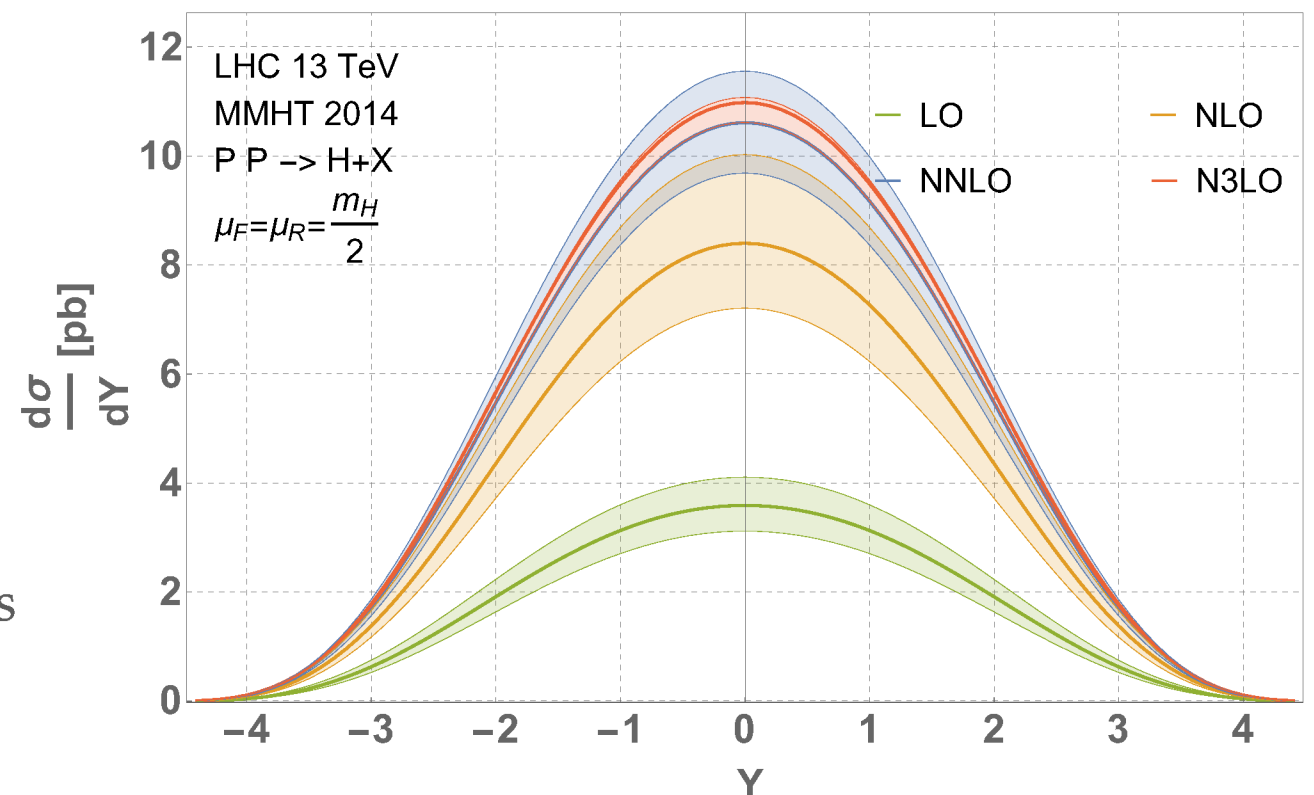
... in direction $Y = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{E + p_z}{E - p_z} \right) \begin{cases} Y \rightarrow 0 & \Leftrightarrow \perp \text{ to beam} \\ Y \rightarrow \infty & \Leftrightarrow \parallel \text{ to beam} \end{cases}$

y_H differential

✓ analytic integration over QCD emissions

✗ partial information on final state

- only $y_H \rightsquigarrow$ no decay kinematics
- no information on final-state partons



[Dulat, Mistlberger, Pelloni '18]

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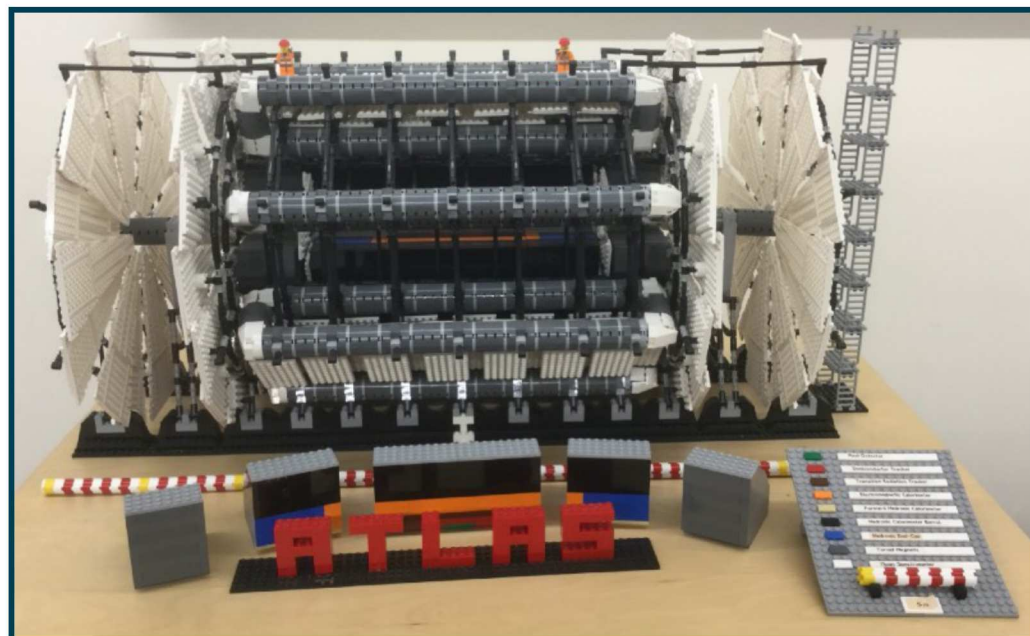
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$$d\sigma^{pp \rightarrow H}$$

... where the Higgs **decays** into a pair of photons, $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$, and the leading and sub-leading photon have a transverse momentum that is larger than 35% and 25% of the Higgs boson mass, respectively, and are produced within the rapidity interval $|y_\gamma| < 2.37$, where the barrel-endcap region $1.37 < |y_\gamma| < 1.52$ is excluded. Photons are further required to be isolated from additional QCD activity by requiring that the scalar sum of the transverse momenta of hadrons in a cone of $\Delta R = 0.2$ around the photons is less than 5 % of the photon transverse energy E_T .

*Measurements are done
within a fiducial volume:*



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$$d\sigma^{pp \rightarrow H}$$

- ask **any*** question!

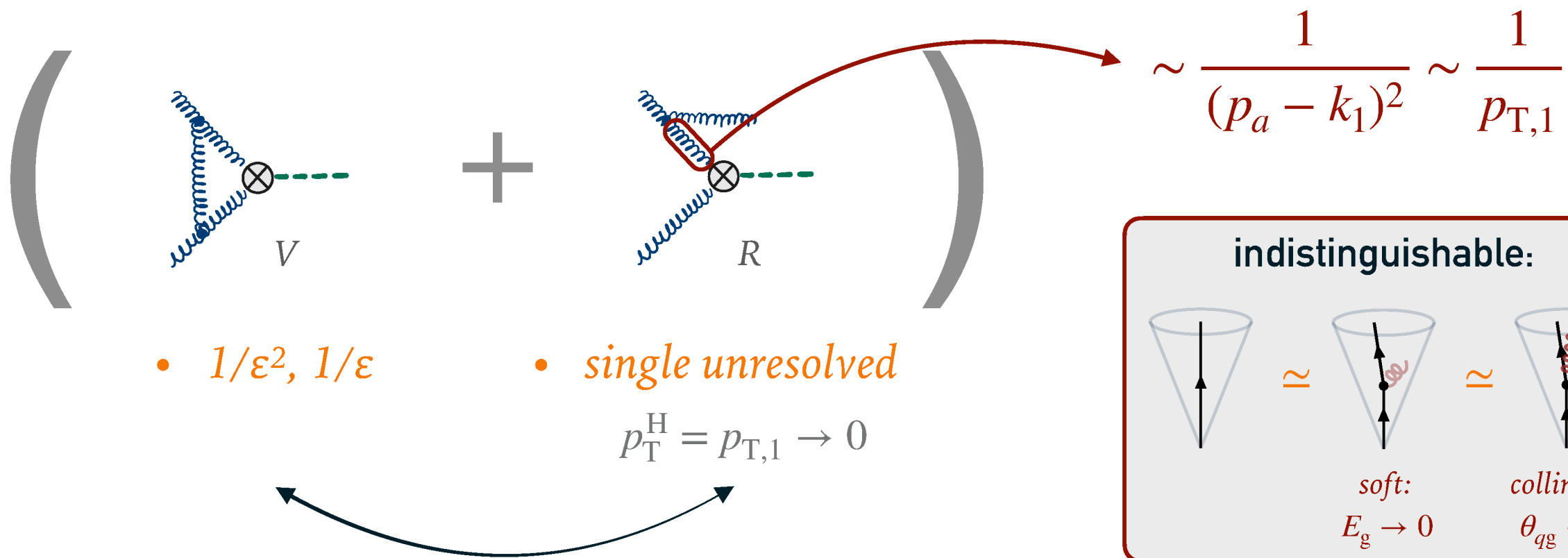
fully differential

- ✓ numerical integration of phase space
- ✓ complete final-state information (decay, isol., ...)

Infrared Singularities:
Subtractions

*infrared safe

SUBTRACTIONS — NLO



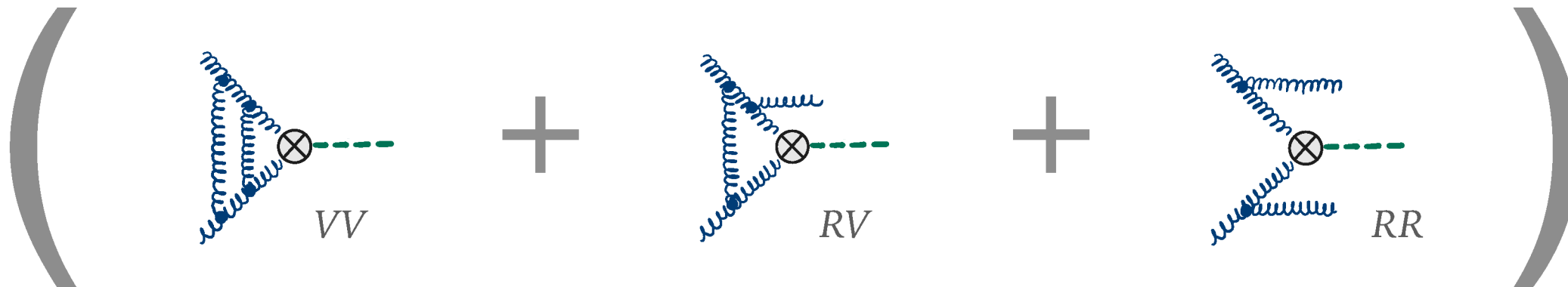
Infrared subtraction:

- **retain** *full* final-state information
- **reshuffle** singularities
 - extract singularities of R
 - cancel against V (+ factorization)

conceptually solved:

CS dipoles, FKS, ...

SUBTRACTIONS — NNLO



- $1/\epsilon^4, 1/\epsilon^3, 1/\epsilon^2, 1/\epsilon$

- $1/\epsilon^2, 1/\epsilon$

- *single unresolved*

- *single unresolved*

- *double unresolved*

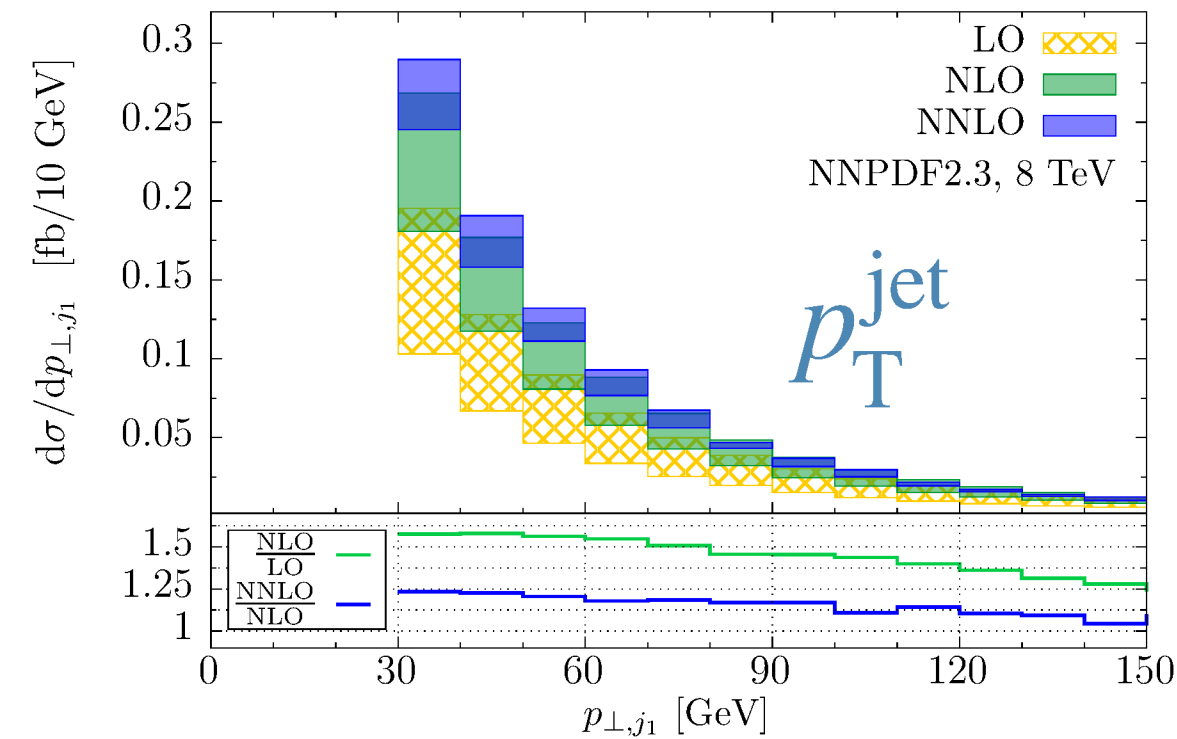
single unresolved $\simeq$ H+jet @ NLO

fully unresolved $\simeq$ H @ NNLO

HIGGS + JET @ NNLO — 3 CALCULATIONS!

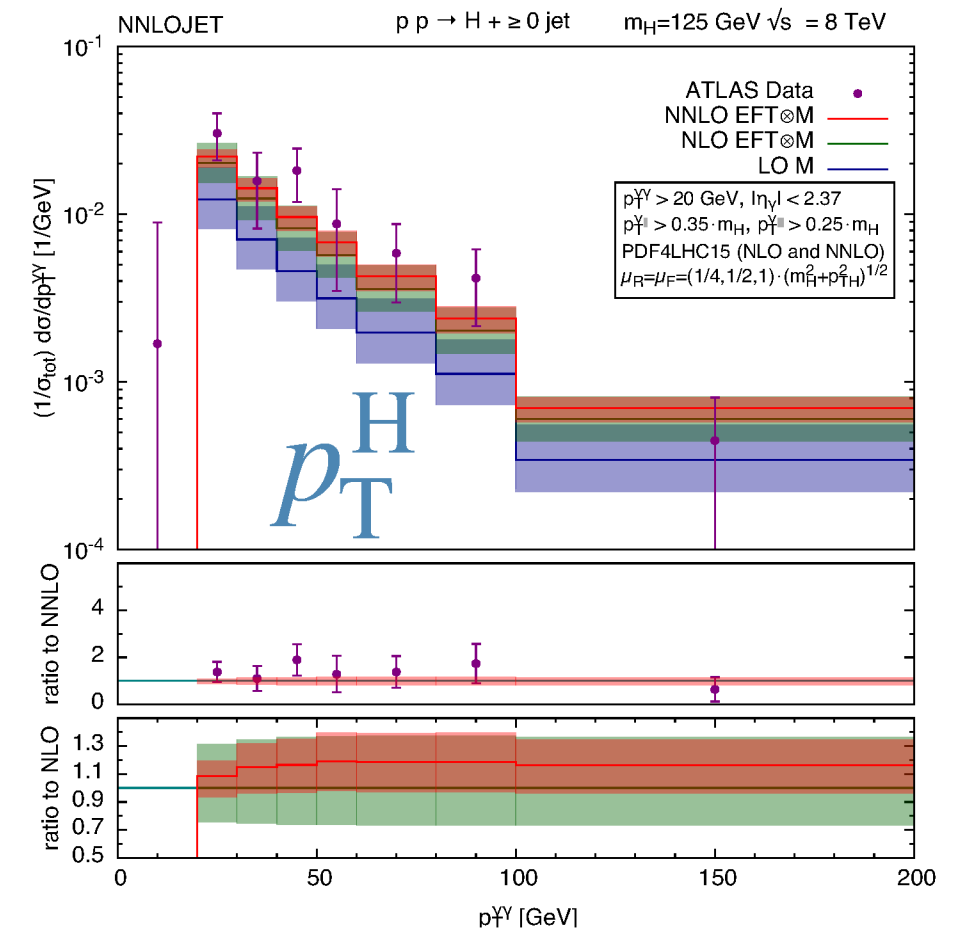
residue subtraction

[Caola, Melnikov, Schulze '15]



antenna subtraction

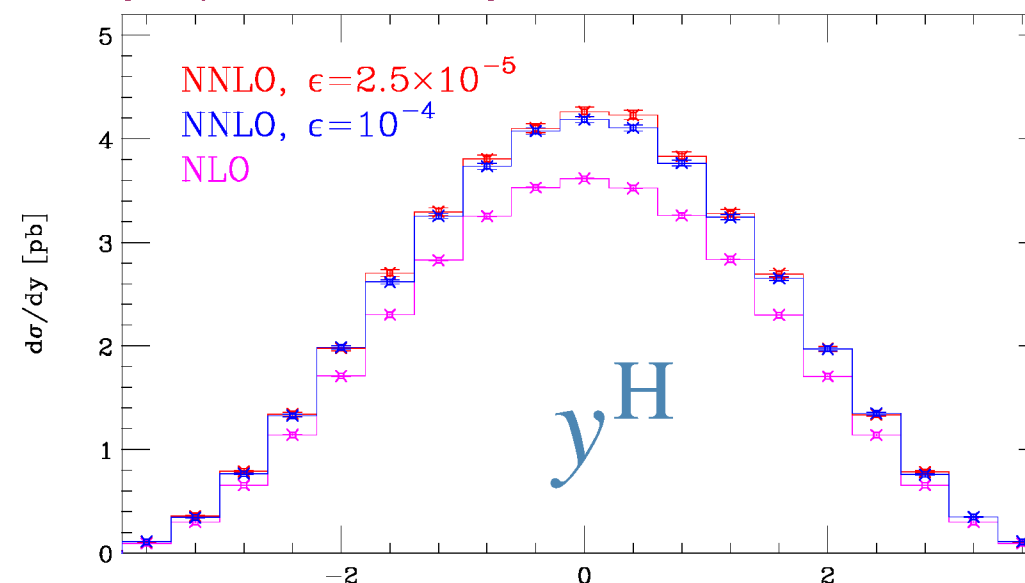
[Chen, Cruz-Martinez, Gehrmann, Glover, Jaquier '16]



τ_1 jettiness subtraction

[Boughezal, Focke, Giele, Liu, Petriello '15]

[Campbell, Ellis, Seth '19]



- *very complex* calculations
- **validation!**
- H+jet $\rightsquigarrow$ agreement
- benchmark approaches

SUBTRACTIONS — $N^3\text{LO}$

largely unexplored



- $1/\epsilon^6, 1/\epsilon^5, \dots$
- $1/\epsilon^4, 1/\epsilon^3, \dots$
- $1/\epsilon^2, 1/\epsilon$
- single unresolved
- single unresolved
- single unresolved
- double unresolved
- double unresolved
- triple unresolved

two methods for
“ $2 \rightarrow 1$ ”

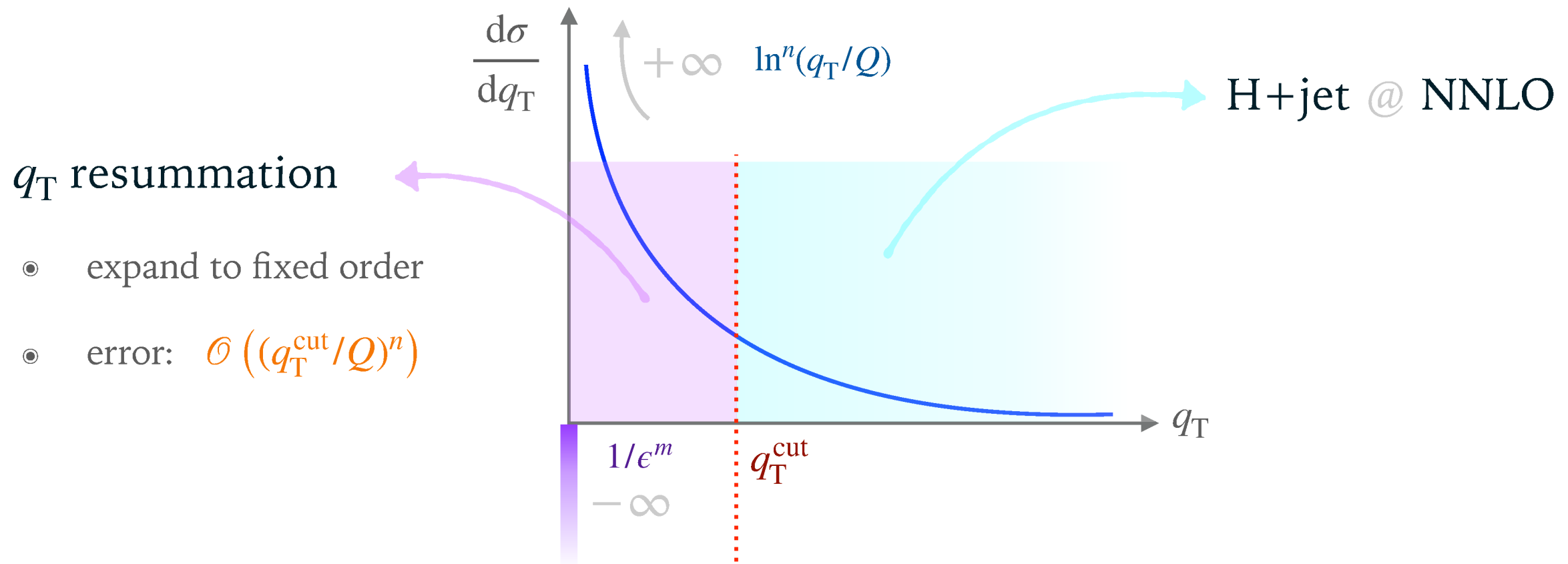
q_T -subtraction
Projection-to-Born

isolate “radiating” part

double unresolved $\simeq$ H+jet @ NNLO

fully unresolved ($\Leftrightarrow p_T^H \rightarrow 0$) $\simeq$ H @ $N^3\text{LO}$

q_T SUBTRACTION @ N^3LO



$$\begin{aligned}
 d\sigma_{N^3LO}^H &= \underbrace{d\sigma_{N^3LO}^H \Big|_{q_T < q_T^{\text{cut}}}}_{q_T \text{ resummation}} + \underbrace{d\sigma_{N^3LO}^H \Big|_{q_T > q_T^{\text{cut}}}}_{d\sigma_{NNLO}^{H+\text{jet}}} \\
 &\simeq \mathcal{H}_{N^3LO}^H \otimes d\sigma_{LO}^H + \left[d\sigma_{NNLO}^{H+\text{jet}} - d\sigma_{N^3LO}^{H,CT} \right]_{q_T > q_T^{\text{cut}}}
 \end{aligned}$$

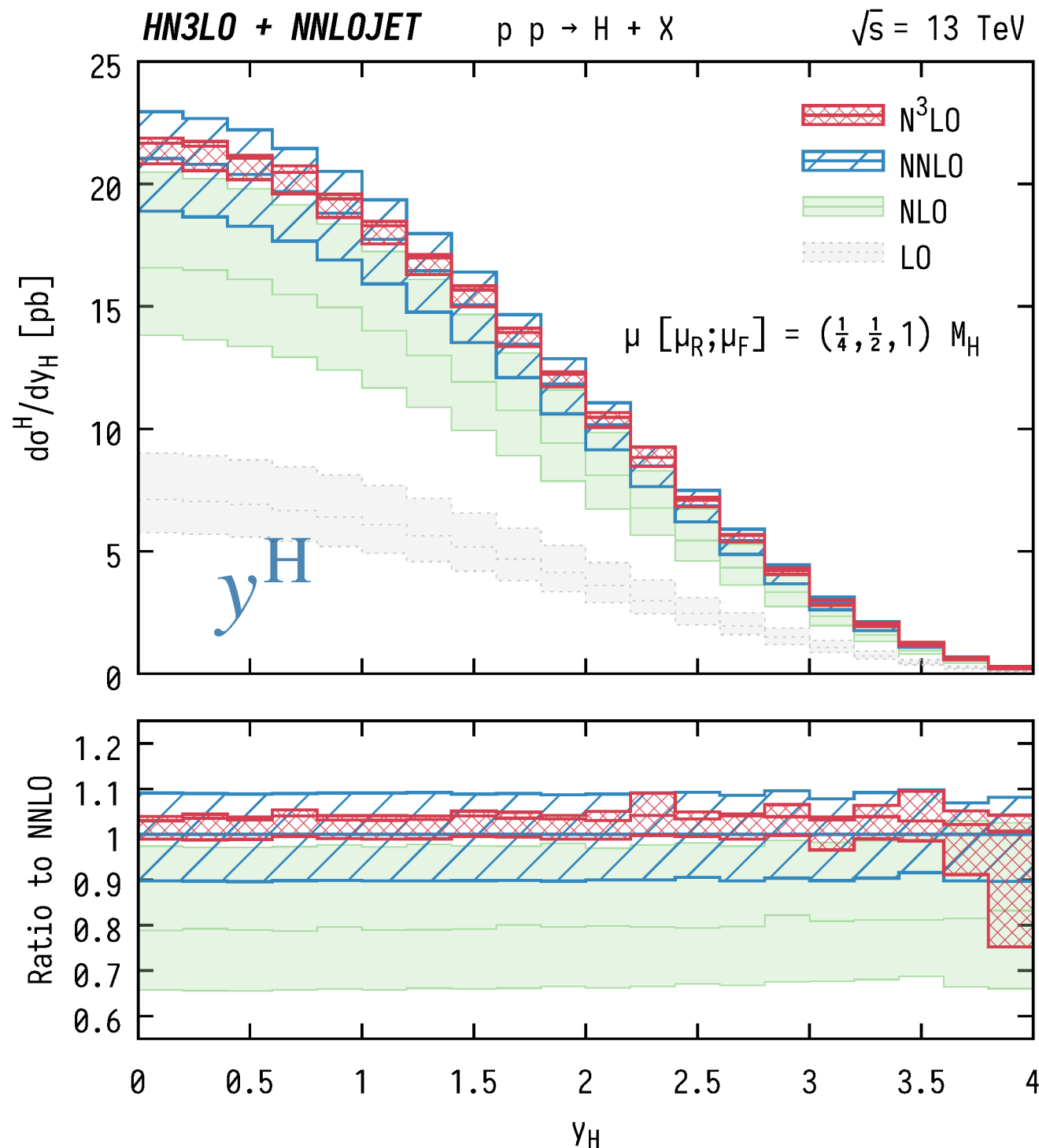
[Catani, Grazzini '07]

Competing interests: q_T^{cut} as small as possible $\leftrightarrow$ q_T^{cut} as large as possible

$\hookrightarrow$ suppress power corrections $\hookrightarrow$ numerical stability & efficiency

HIGGS RAPIDITY @ N³LO

[Cieri, Chen, Gehrmann, Glover, AH '18]



- **N³LO** ~ few %
 - good convergence
 - very flat & well-approximated by

$$\text{NNLO} \times K_{\text{N}^3\text{LO}}$$
- in principle, *fully differential*
 - in practice: very challenging going beyond $y^H_{(\text{incl.})}$
 - CPU cost

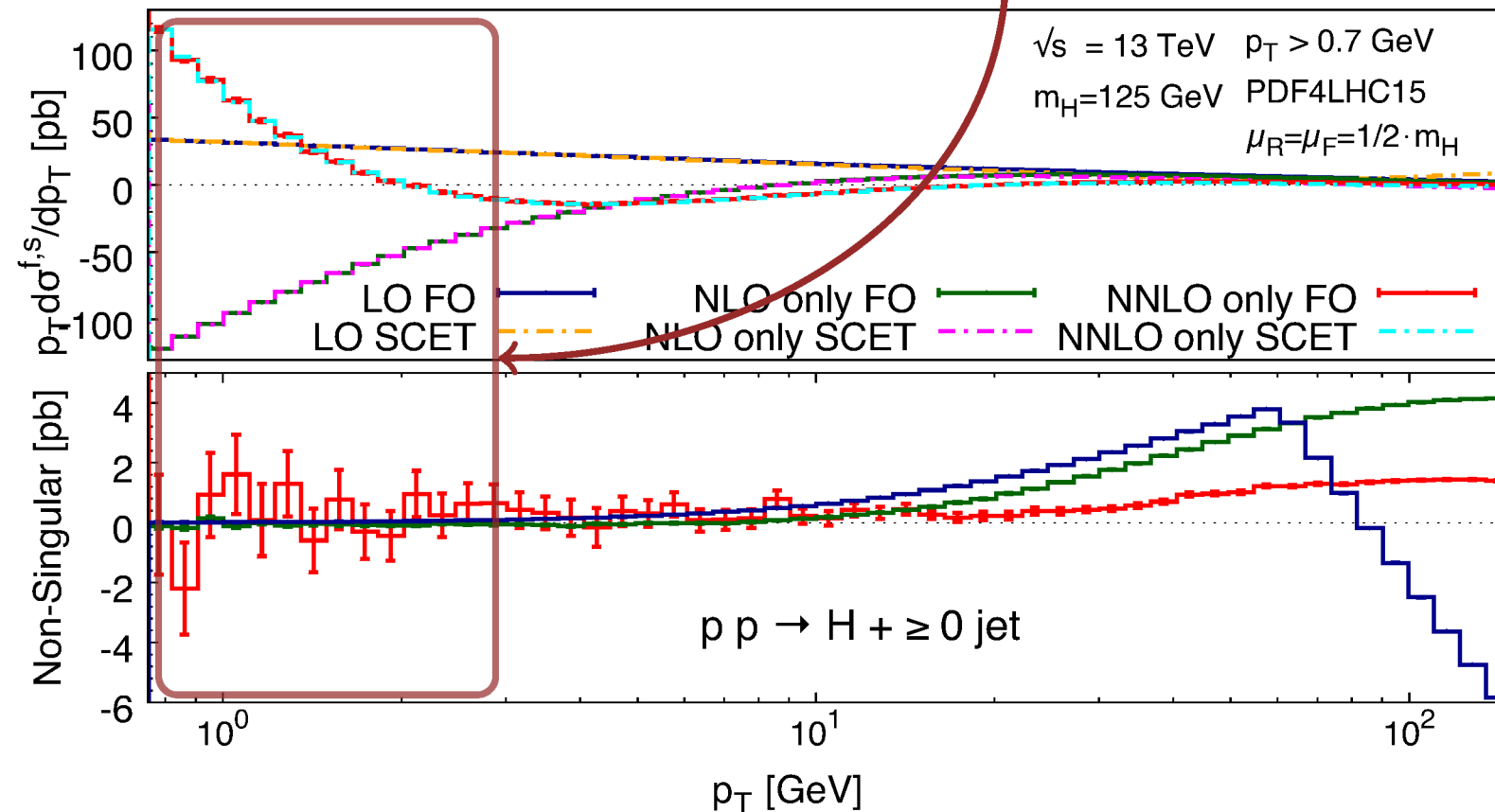
~ few million core hours

* numerical approx. for unknown coefficients

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[Catani, Grazzini '07]

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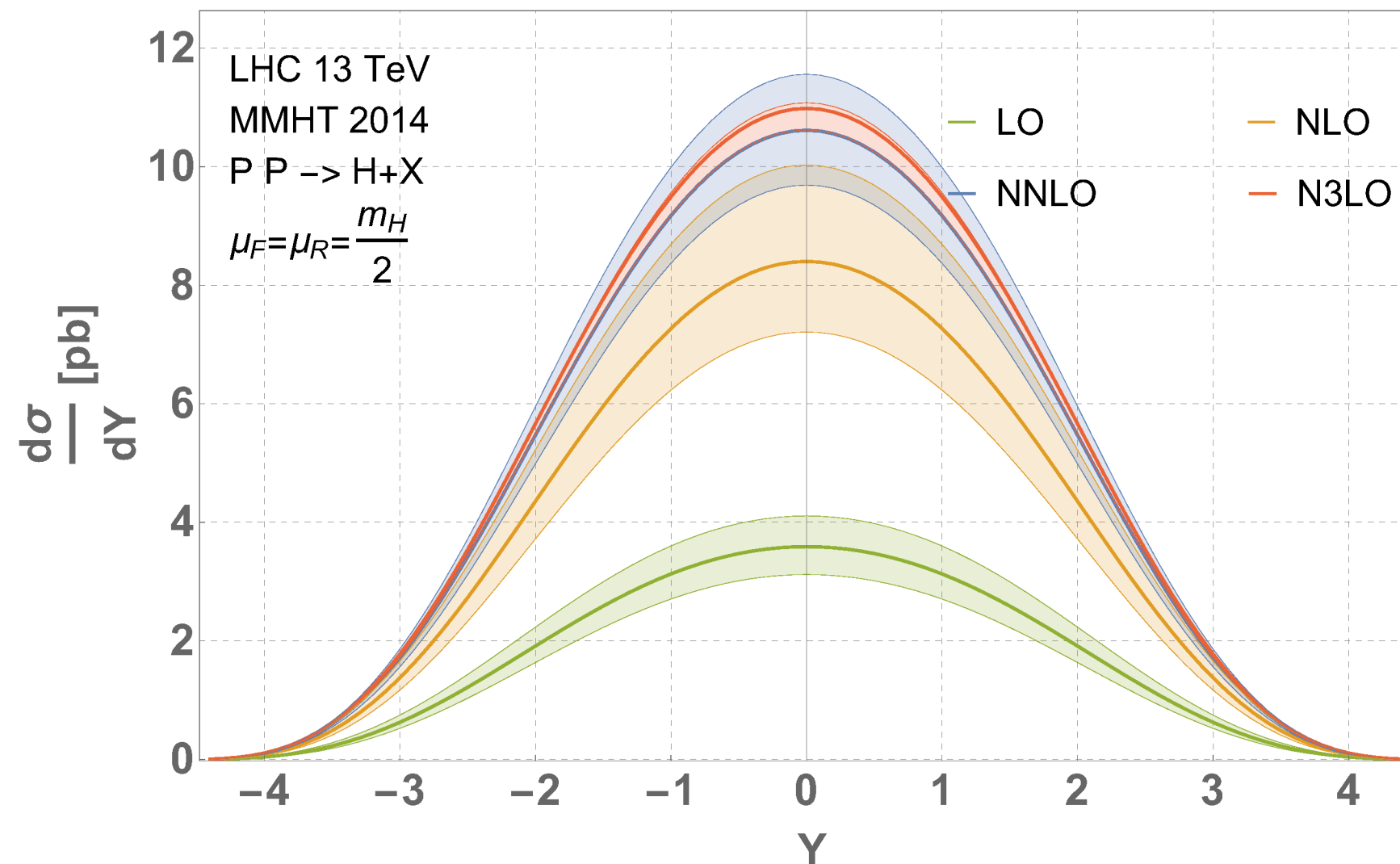


*non-local
cancellations*

[Chen, Gehrmann, Glover, AH, Li, Neill, Schulze, Stewart, Zhu '18]

HIGGS RAPIDITY @ N³LO — ANALYTIC

[Dulat, Mistlberger, Pelloni '18]



- tailored to observable

- function of y^H

- very efficient evaluation

- ~ few minutes!*

- differential info lost

- kinematics of the Higgs
 $\hookrightarrow$ decays

- QCD radiation

- $\hookrightarrow$ isolation, veto, ...

Can we exploit this?

YES!

THE PROJECTION-TO-BORN METHOD

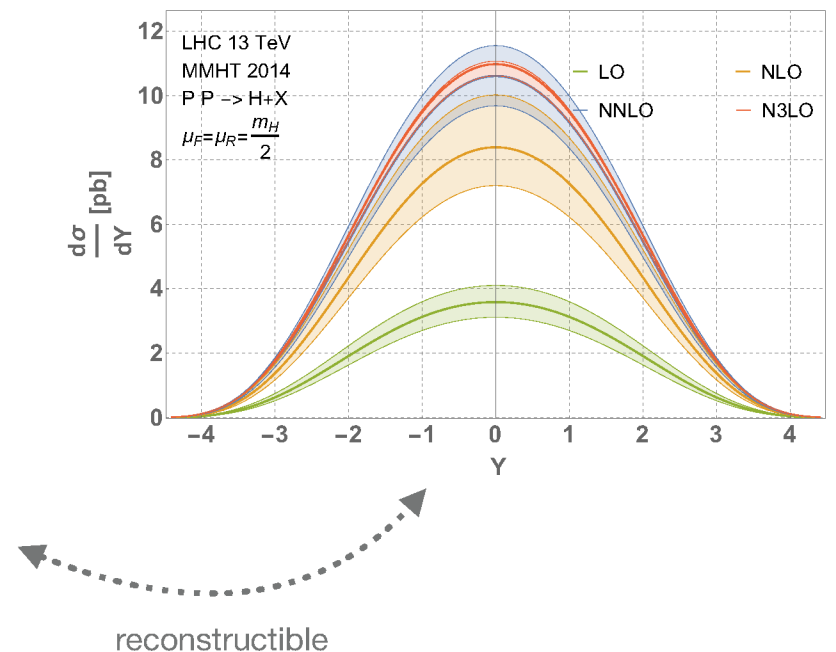
[VBF @ NNLO: Cacciari et al. '15]

Idea: restore the *differential* information of an inclusive calculation!

- genuine $N^3\text{LO}$ limits (“fully unresolved”)

↔ Born kinematics

- y^H only non-trivial variable! $p_H^\mu = M_H \begin{pmatrix} \cosh(y^H) \\ \mathbf{0}_T \\ \sinh(y^H) \end{pmatrix}$



- step 1:** evaluate inclusive prediction on Born phase space $\widetilde{\Phi}_H$

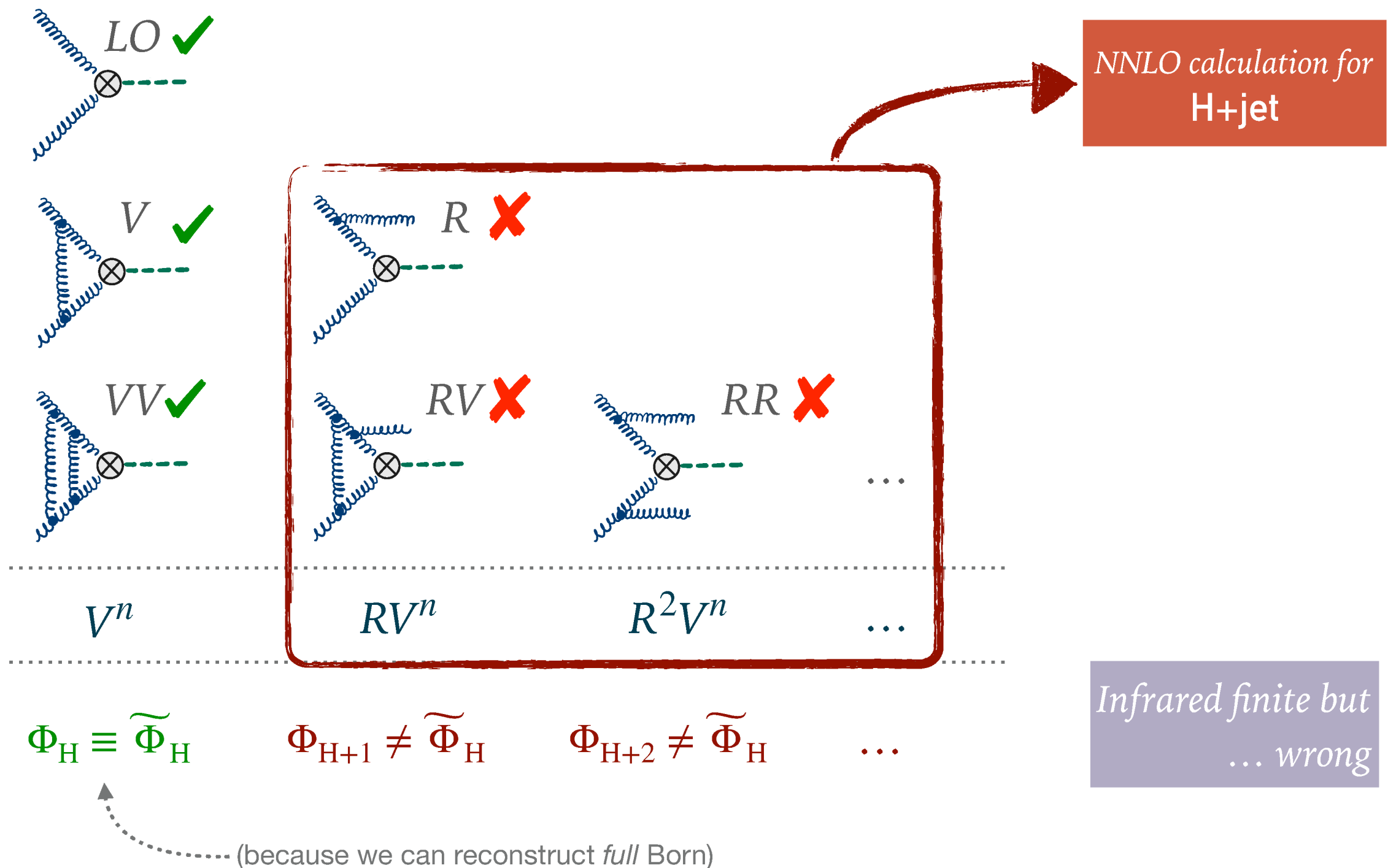
- analysis: observables, fiducial cuts, histograms, ...

- step 2:** fix what is wrong in step 1

- compute the difference using a *projection to Born*: $\Phi_{H+n} \xrightarrow{\text{P2B}} \widetilde{\Phi}_H$

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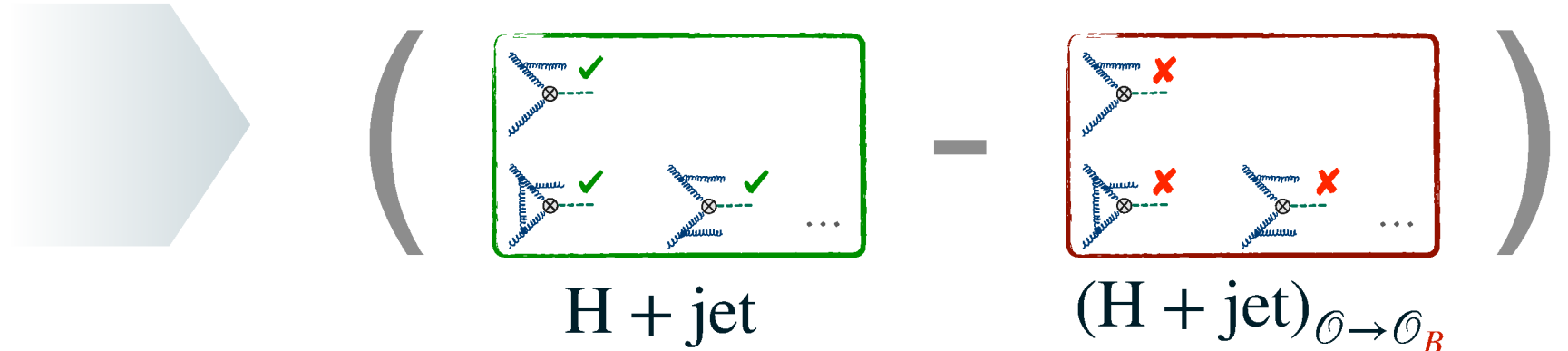
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- step 2: fix what is wrong in step 1

*Infrared finite
& fully local*



- real-emission phase space: $d\Phi_{H+n}$

$$p_a + p_b \rightarrow p_H + k_1 + k_2 + \dots + k_n$$

- projection to Born: $d\tilde{\Phi}_H$

$$\tilde{p}_a + \tilde{p}_b \rightarrow \tilde{p}_H \quad (\tilde{p}_a = \xi_a p_a, \quad \tilde{p}_b = \xi_b p_b)$$

$$\text{on-shell: } \tilde{p}_H^2 \equiv p_H^2 = M_H^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \xi_a \xi_b = \frac{2p_a p_b - 2(p_a + p_b)k_{1\dots n} + k_{1\dots n}^2}{2p_a p_b}$$

$$\text{rapidity: } \tilde{y}_H \equiv y_H \quad \Rightarrow \quad \xi_a / \xi_b = \frac{2p_b p_H}{2p_a p_H}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \text{decay products: } p_H \rightarrow p_1 + \dots + p_m \quad (p_i^\mu \rightarrow \tilde{p}_i^\mu = \Lambda^\mu{}_\nu p_i^\nu)$$

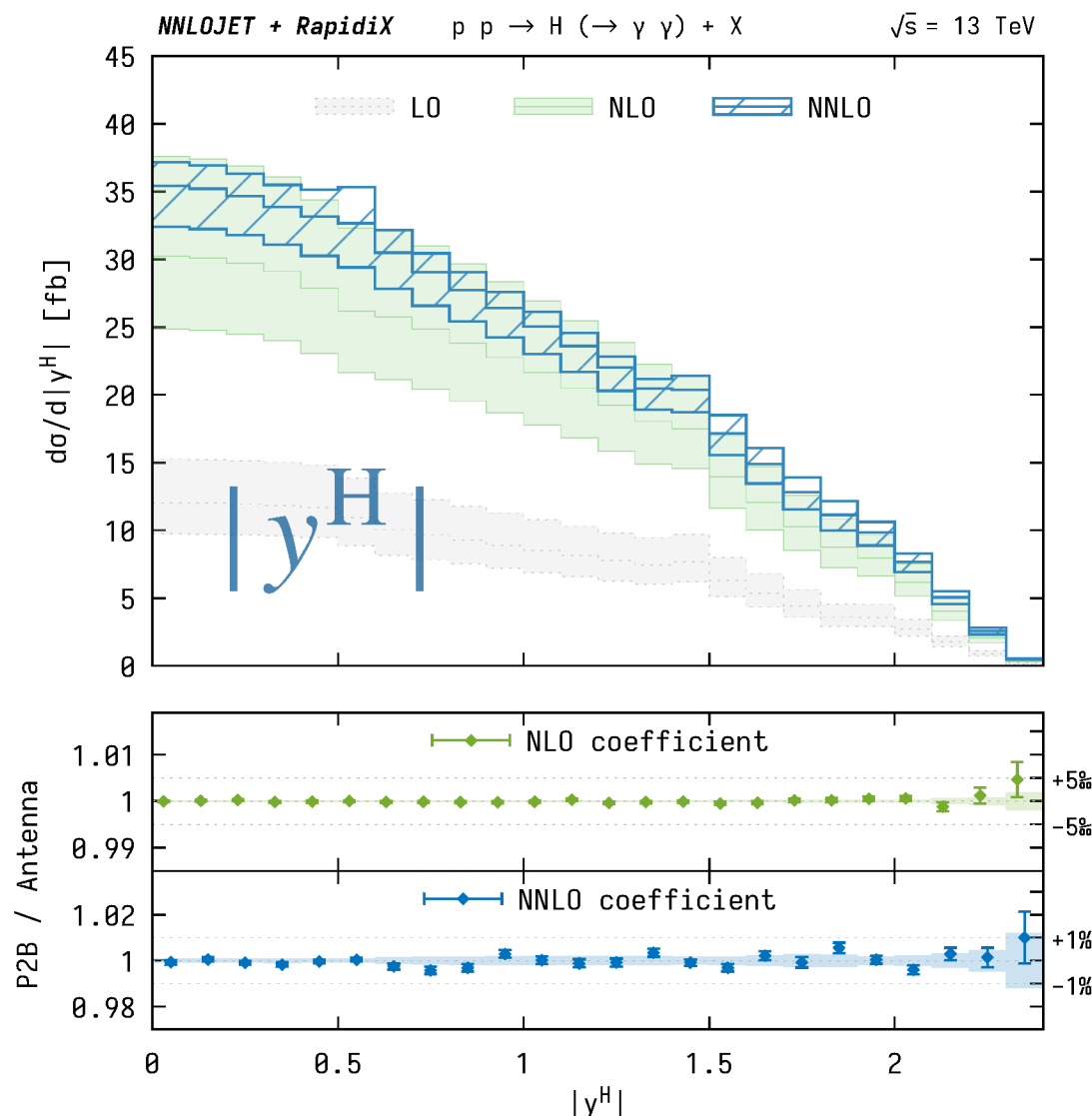
$$\Lambda^\mu{}_\nu(p_H, \tilde{p}_H) = g^\mu{}_\nu - \frac{2(p_H + \tilde{p}_H)^\mu (p_H + \tilde{p}_H)_\nu}{(p_H + \tilde{p}_H)^2} + \frac{2\tilde{p}_H^\mu p_{H,\nu}}{p_H^2}$$

- sub-divergences
 - dealt with H+jet @ NNLO
- N³LO divergences
 - fully local prescription
 - P2B (“ideal” subtraction)

THE PROJECTION-TO-BORN METHOD — MASTER FORMULA

$$\frac{d\sigma_F^{N^k\text{LO}}}{d\mathcal{O}} = \frac{d\sigma_{F,\text{inc.}}^{N^k\text{LO}}}{d\mathcal{O}_B} + \left\{ \frac{d\sigma_{F+\text{jet}}^{N^{k-1}\text{LO}}}{d\mathcal{O}} - \frac{d\sigma_{F+\text{jet}}^{N^{k-1}\text{LO}}}{d\mathcal{O}} \Big|_{\mathcal{O} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_B} \right\}$$

observables projected to Born
fully local counter term

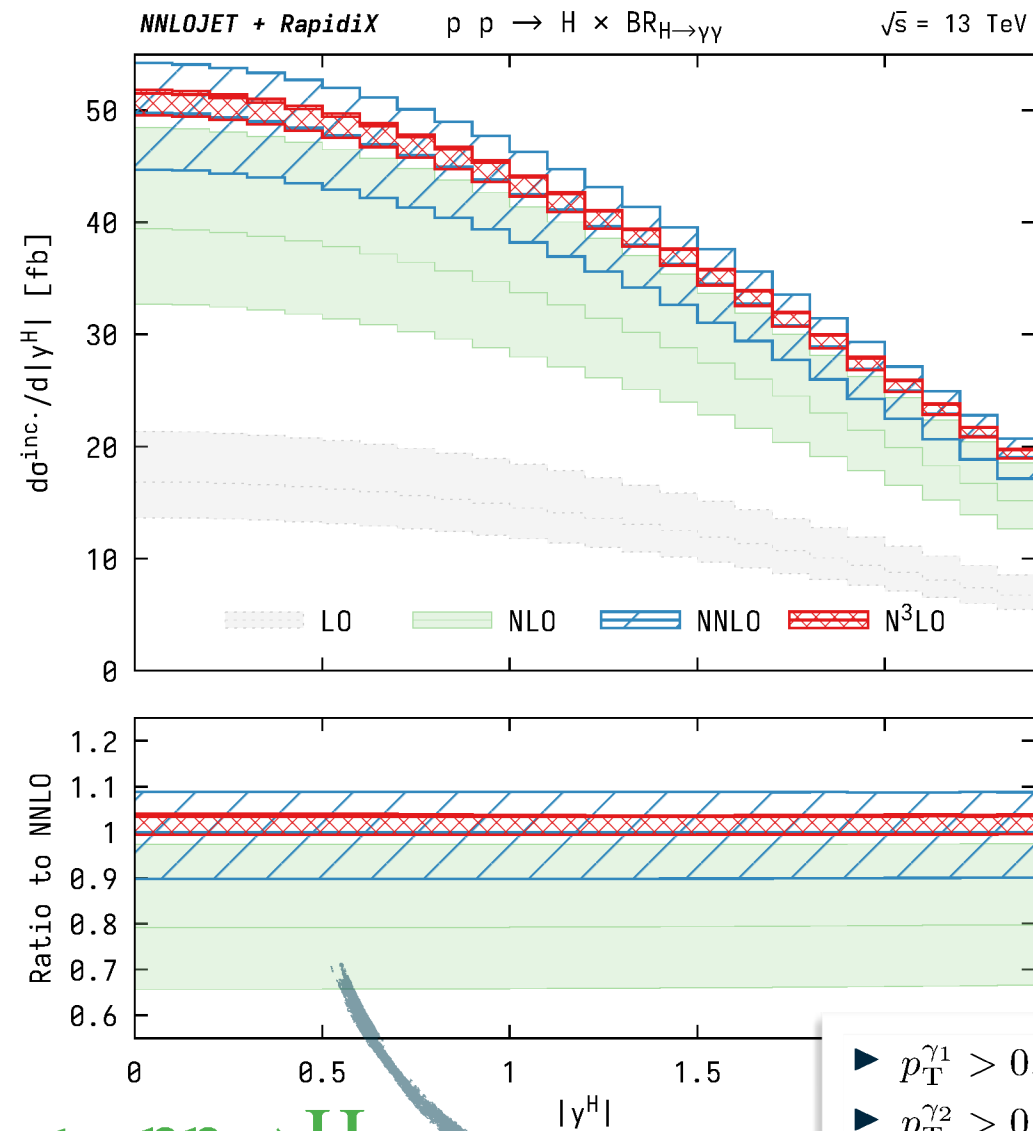


- Fully validated up to NNLO
v.s. antenna subtraction
- ▶ **NLO** coefficient: $\sim$ per-mille
- ▶ **NNLO** coefficient: $\sim$ sub-per-cent

HIGGS @ N³LO USING PROJECTION-TO-BORN $d\sigma/dY^H$

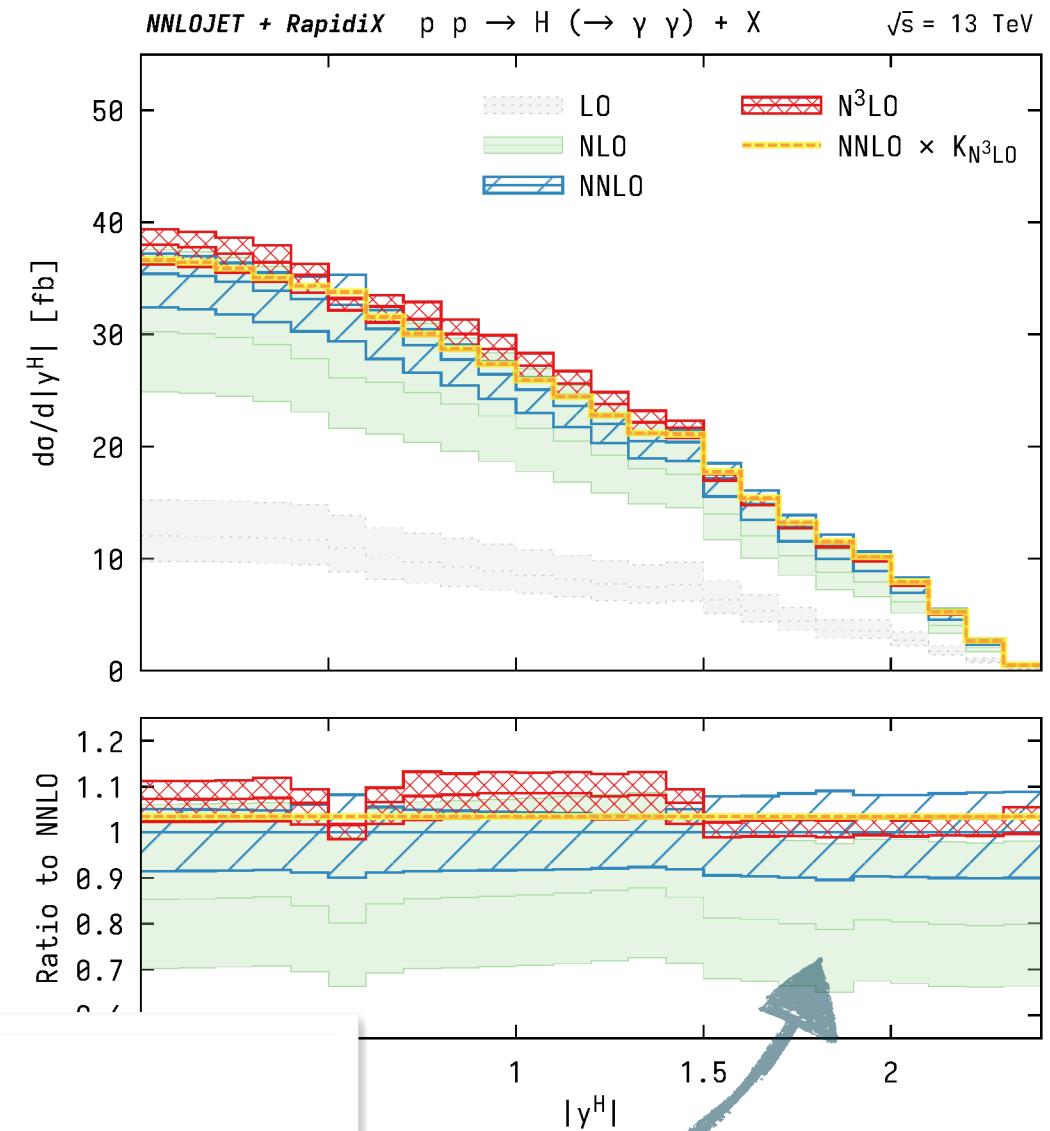
[Chen, Gehrmann, Glover, AH, Mistlberger, Pelloni '21]

INCLUSIVE



$d\sigma^{pp \rightarrow H}$
 dY

FULLY DIFFERENTIAL



$d\sigma^{pp \rightarrow H}$

- ▶ $p_T^{\gamma^1} > 0.35 \cdot m_{\gamma\gamma}$
- ▶ $p_T^{\gamma^2} > 0.25 \cdot m_{\gamma\gamma}$
- ▶ $|y^\gamma| < 2.37$
- ▶ reject $1.37 < |y^\gamma| < 1.52$ (barrel-endcap)
- ▶ photon isolation in $\Delta R < 0.2$
 $\hookrightarrow \sum_{\Delta R_{i\gamma} < 0.2} p_{T,i} < 0.05 \cdot E_T^\gamma$

HIGGS @ N³LO USING PROJECTION-TO-BORN $d\sigma/dY^H$

[Chen, Gehrmann, Glover, AH, Mistlberger, Pelloni '21]

- naive rescaling fails for $|y^H| \lesssim 1.5$

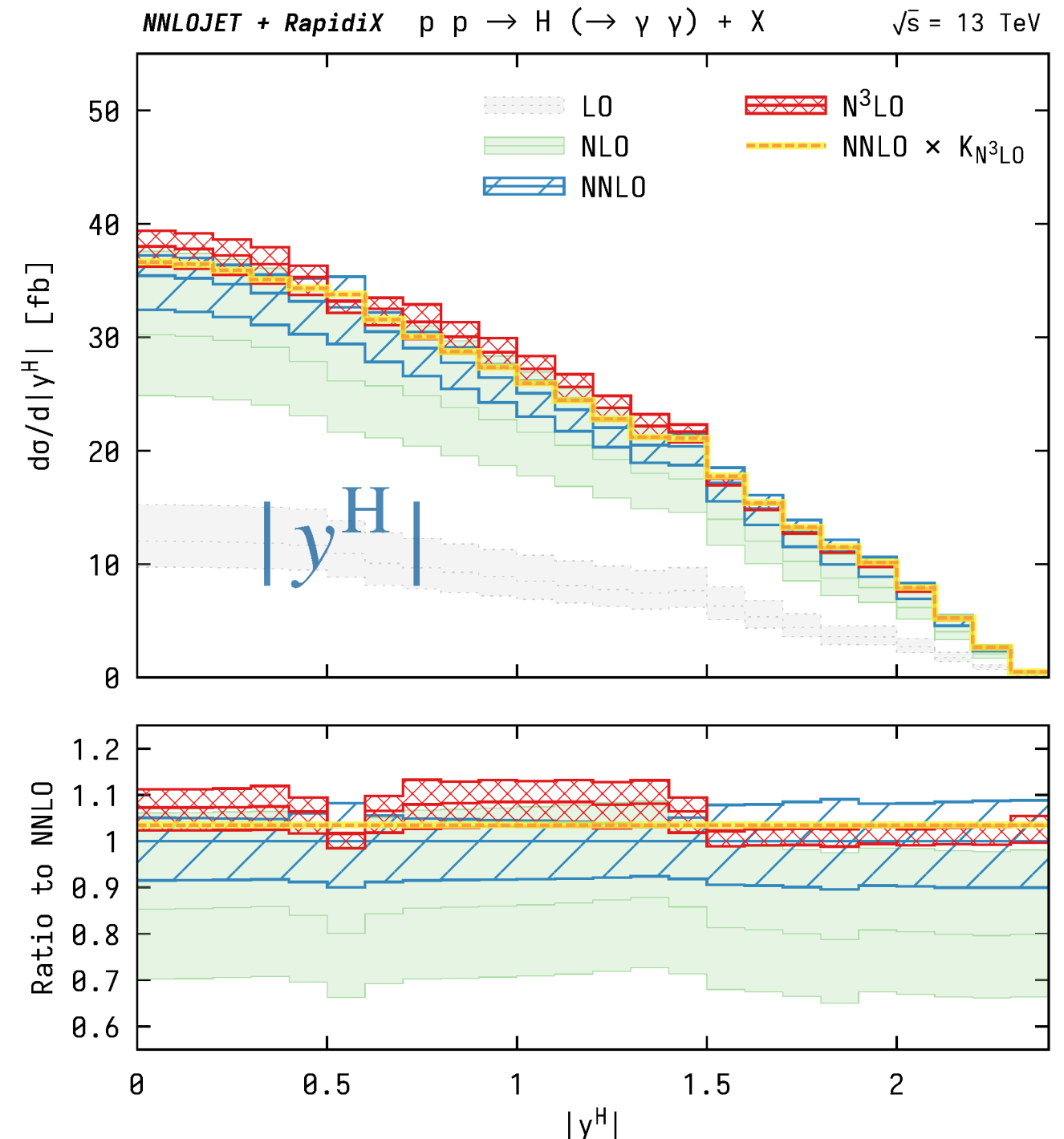
- $NNLO \times K_{N^3LO}$

- N³LO

- reduced uncertainties
 - bands largely overlap

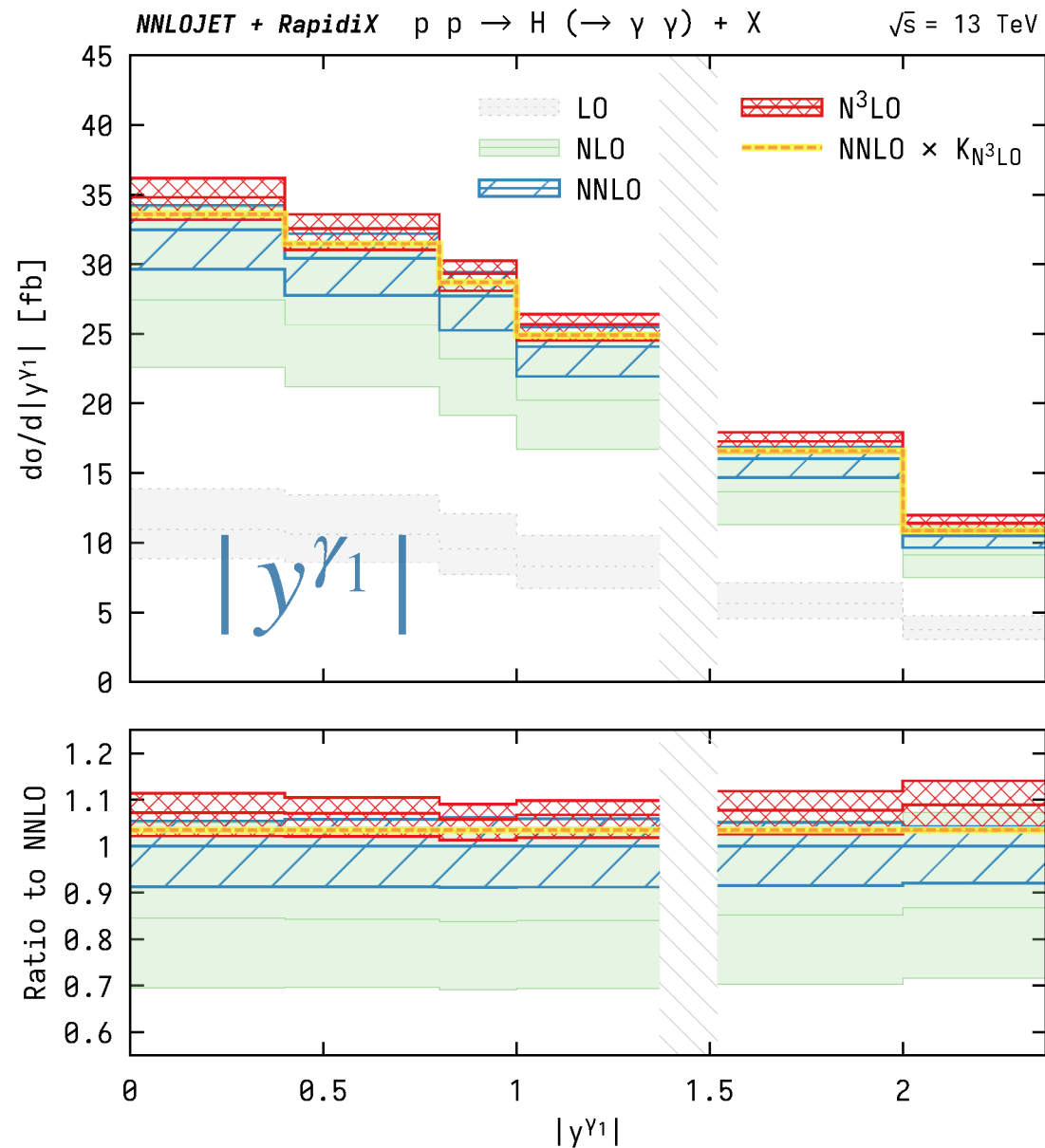
- non trivial features

- corrections larger $|y^H| \lesssim 1.5$
 - rescaling works for $|y^H| \gtrsim 1.5$
 - artefact @ $y^H \sim 0.5$

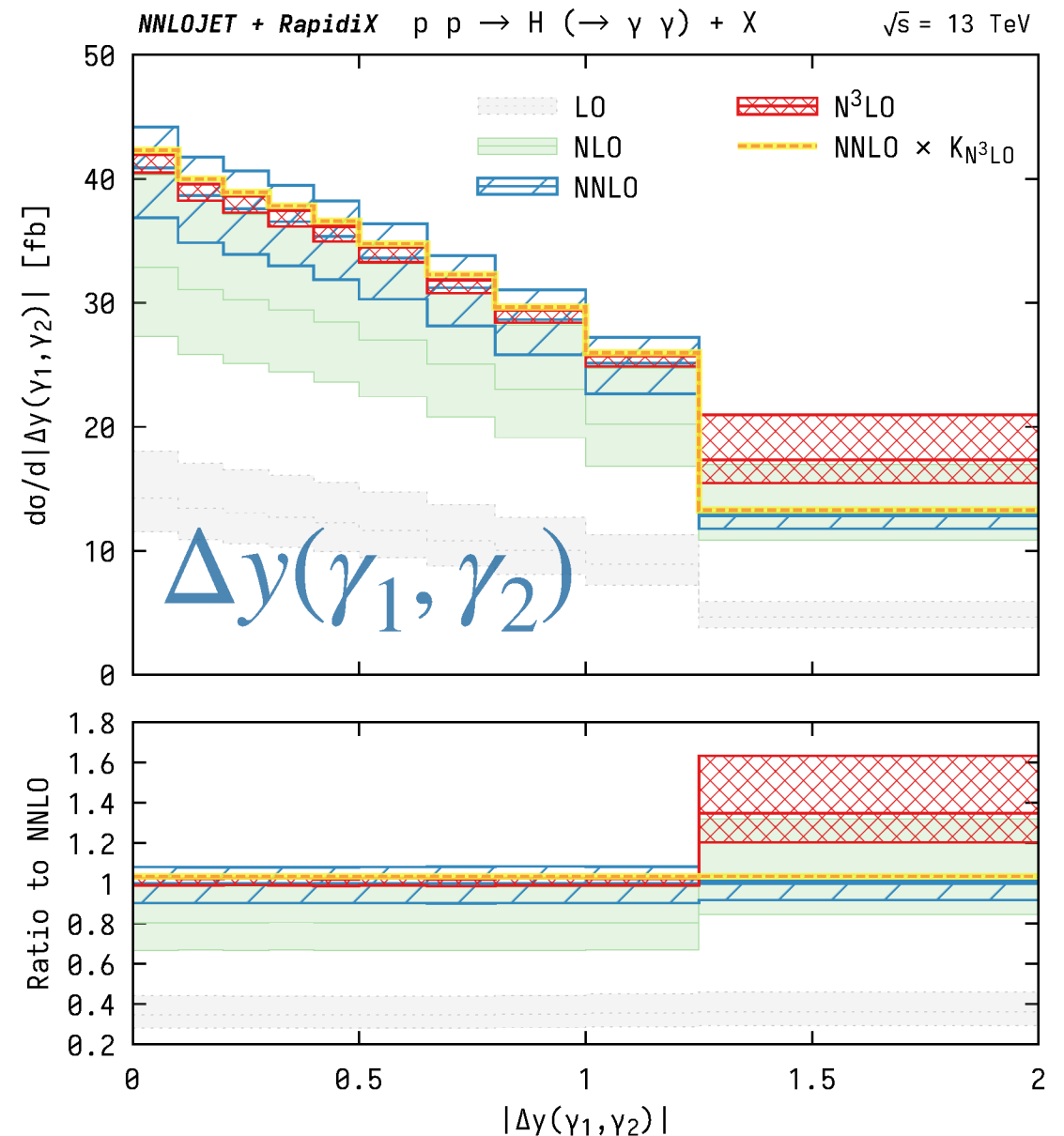


HIGGS @ N³LO USING PROJECTION-TO-BORN $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

[Chen, Gehrmann, Glover, AH, Mistlberger, Pelloni '21]



- N³LO systematically
> NNLO $\times$ K_{N³LO}



- N³LO $\sim$ NNLO $\times$ K_{N³LO}
- instability in last bin

IR SENSITIVITY & POTENTIAL ENHANCEMENTS

In the following: $p_T^H \sim 0$ (e

- Higgs rest frame (back-to

- $\hat{y}^{\gamma_1} \equiv \hat{y} = -\hat{y}^{\gamma_2}$ & $p_T^{\gamma_1} \equiv p_T =$

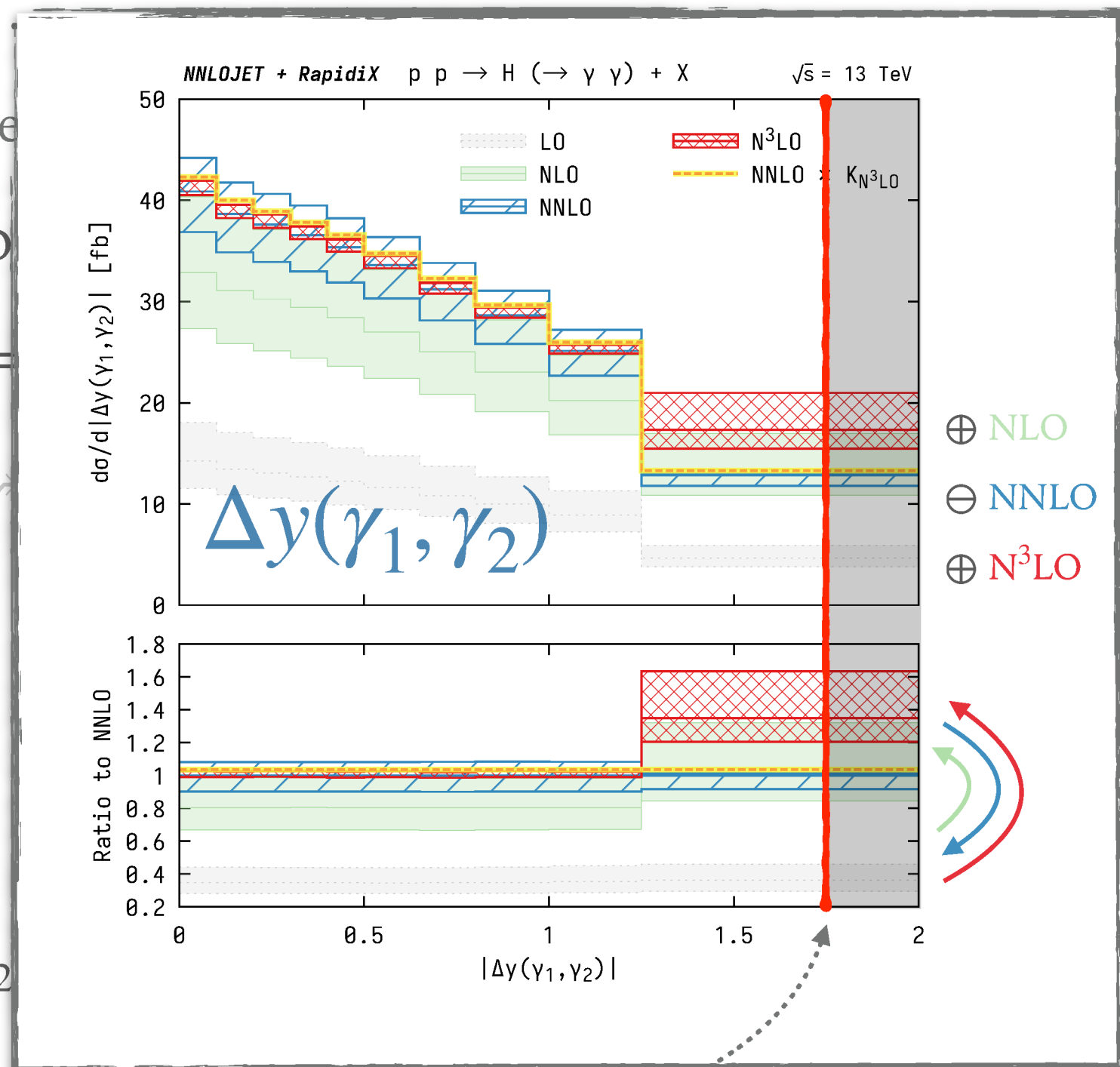
- $E^{\gamma_{1/2}} \equiv \frac{M_H}{2} = p_T \cosh(\hat{y})$

boost by y^H

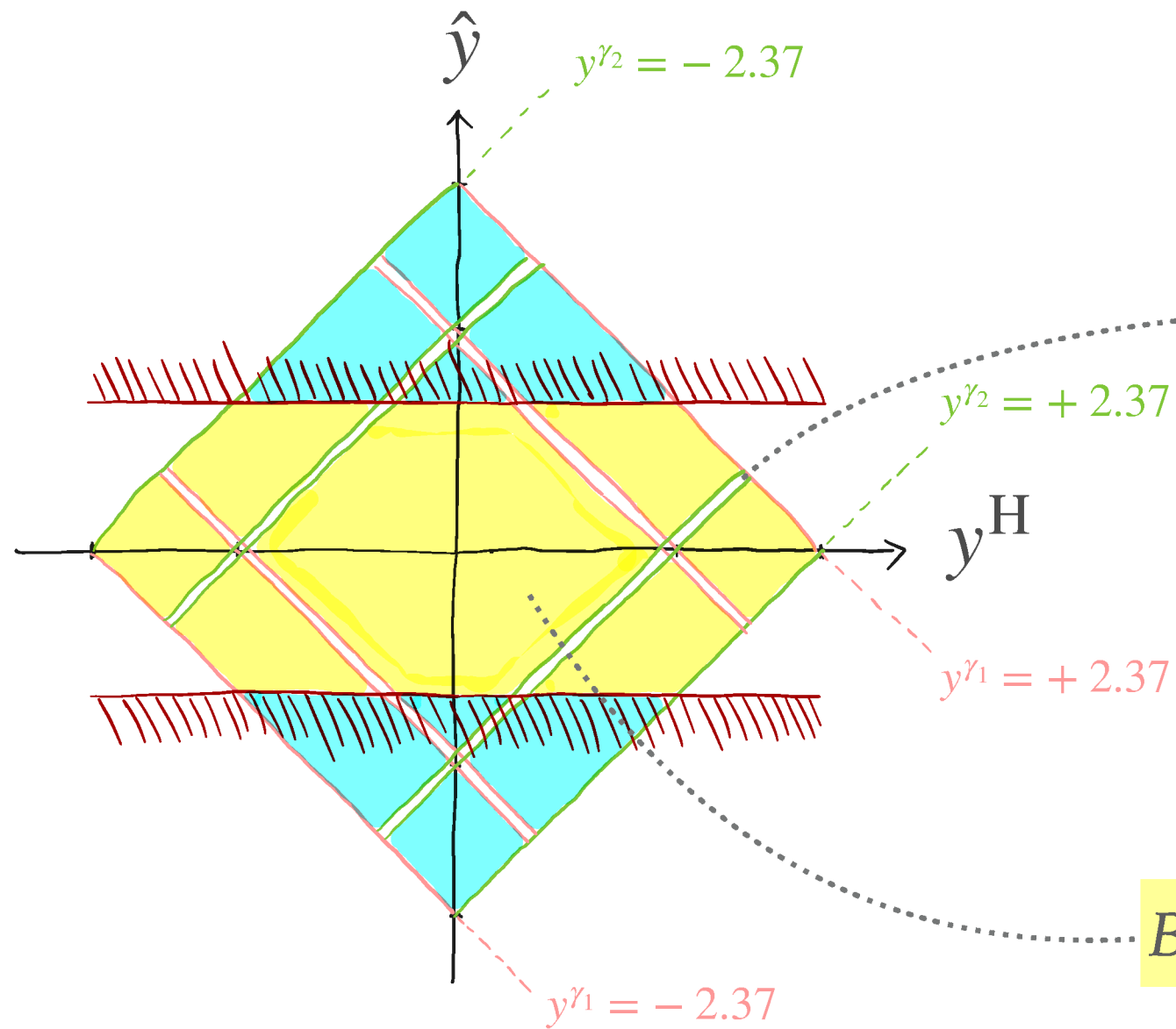
- Lab frame

- $y^{\gamma_{1/2}} = y^H \pm \hat{y} \rightsquigarrow |\Delta y(\gamma_1, \gamma_2)|$

$$|\Delta y(\gamma_1, \gamma_2)| \leq 2 \cosh^{-1} \left(\frac{M_H}{2p_T^{\min}} \right) \approx 1.8$$



FIDUCIAL ACCEPTANCES & y^H



- $y^{\gamma_{1/2}} \sim y^H \pm \hat{y}$

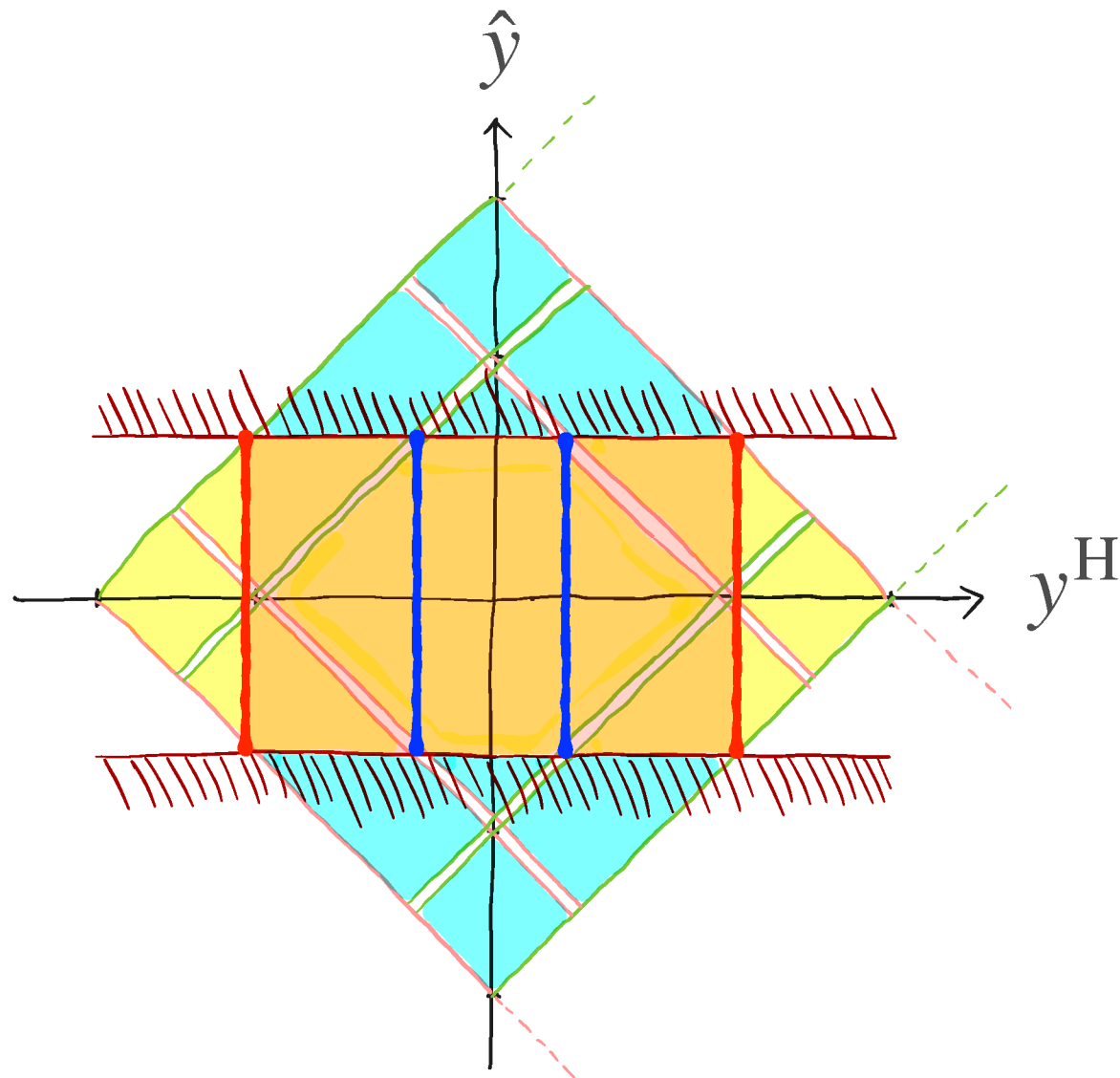
- $|y^{\gamma}| \leq 2.37$

barrel-endcap: [1.37, 1.52]

- Sudakov shoulder @ $|\hat{y}| \lesssim 0.9$

Born acceptance

FIDUCIAL ACCEPTANCES & y^H



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2. $y^H \lesssim 1.5$: enhanced corrections
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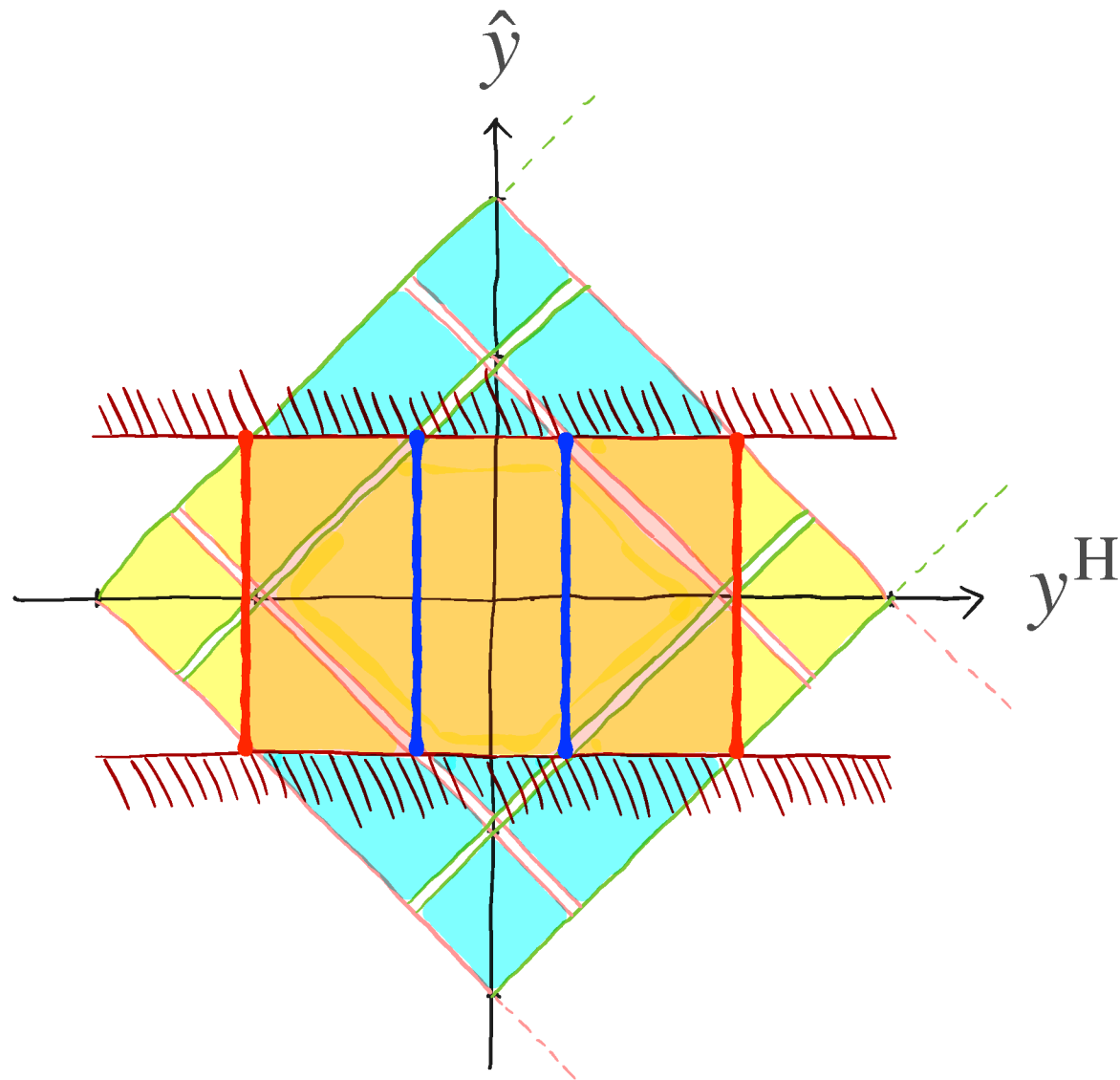
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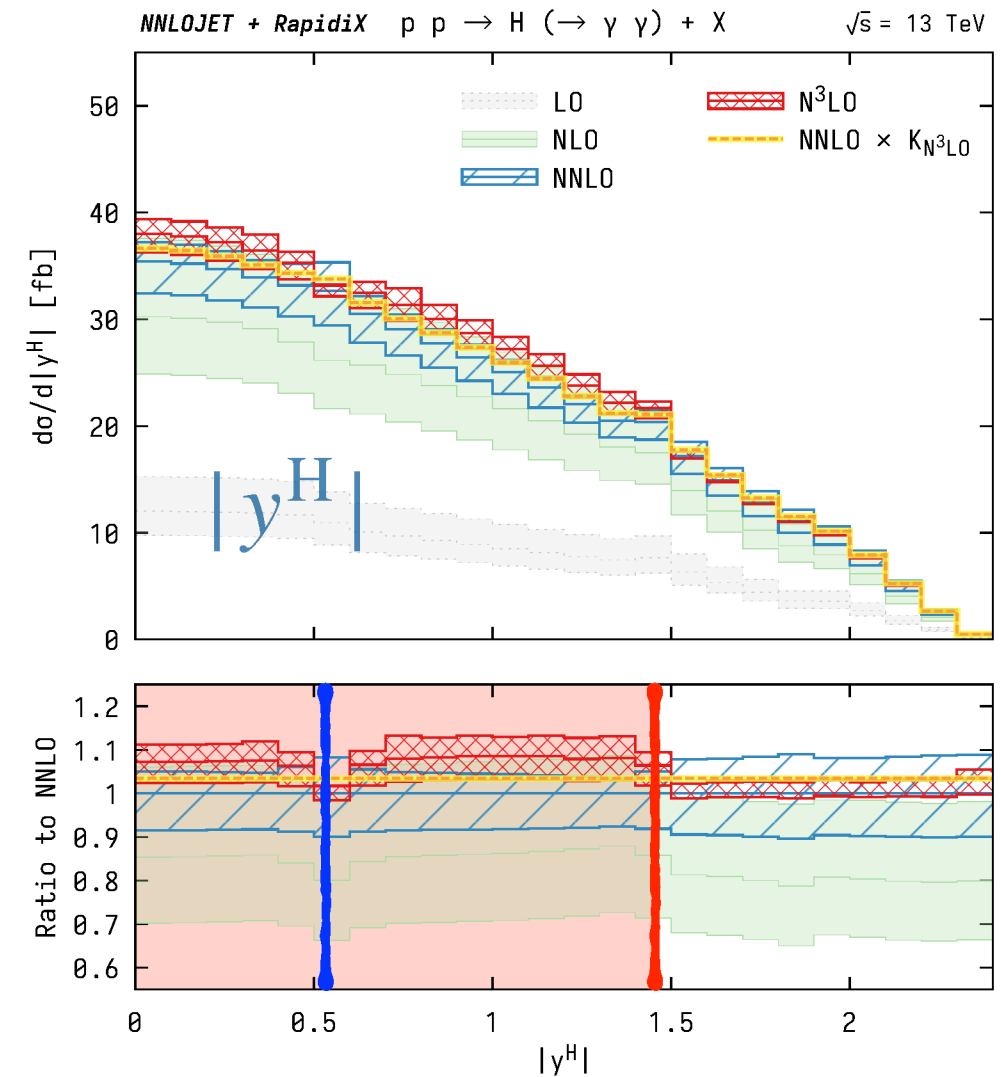
- ★ Sensitivity to the shoulder
 - $y^H \lesssim y_{\max}^{\gamma} - \hat{y}_{\text{shoulder}} \sim 1.49$
- ❖ barrel-endcap v.s. shoulder
 - $y^H \sim y_{\text{b-e}}^{\gamma} - \hat{y}_{\text{shoulder}} \sim [0.47, 0.62]$



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3. artefact @ $y^H \sim 0.5$?



- ◉ Exposed infrared sensitivity
 - better cuts, resum (lin. power corr.), ...?
- ◉ NNLO: accidental cancellations
 - ⊕ NNLO ⊖ Sudakov

PROJECTION-TO-BORN — AN “ANTENNA” VIEW

Consider the real-emission subtraction in the antenna subtraction formalism

for $H + 0\text{jet}$ (@ LC):

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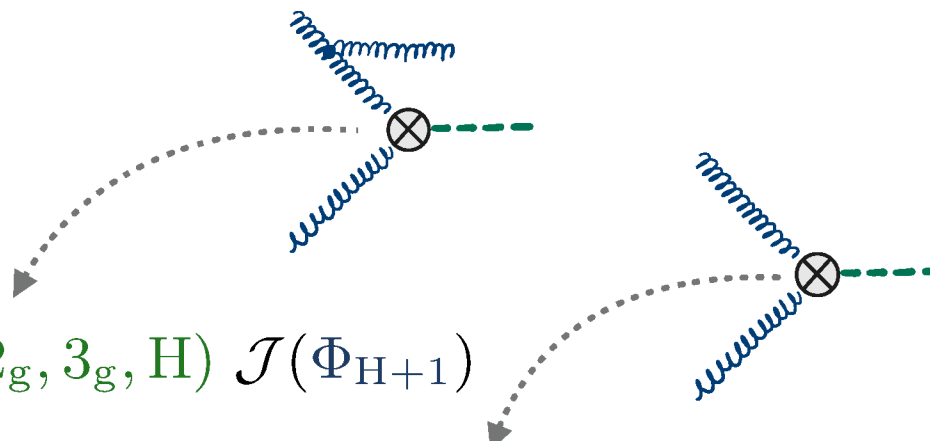
Antennae = ratios of *physical* Matrix Elements:

$$F_3^0(i_g, j_g, k_g) \equiv \frac{\text{A3g0H}(i_g, j_g, k_g, H)}{\text{A2g0H}(\tilde{i}_g, \tilde{k}_g, H)}$$

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 &= \int d\Phi_{H+1} \text{A3g0H}(1_g, 2_g, 3_g, H) \left\{ \mathcal{J}(\Phi_{H+1}) - \mathcal{J}(\tilde{\Phi}_{H+0}) \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$


⇒ Simple processes where antenna $\simeq$ real-emission Matrix Element
 ⇔ **Projection-to-Born**

Similarly at NNLO: X_4^0 & $X_3^0 \times X_3^0$ are “projections” of RR ME & NLO(+jet) subtraction term.

$d\sigma_{\text{N}^3\text{LO}}/dy_H \simeq$ integrated antenna: $\chi_5^0, \chi_4^1, \chi_3^2$

CONCLUSIONS & OUTLOOK

- **exploration of the Higgs sector** — highest priority of LHC & future colliders
 - ↔ **precision** to scrutinise Standard Model & search for New Physics
- *fully differential* N³LO prediction for Higgs production (ggF)
 - ❖ *fiducial cuts* can induce *non-trivial* features in predictions
 - ↪ $N^3LO \neq NNLO \times K_{N^3LO}$ (affects acceptances)
 - ❖ IR sensitivity responsible for some of the features
 - ↪ possibility to avoid them? resum them?
- *future directions*
 - ❖ other Higgs **decays**: $H \rightarrow 4\ell, \dots$
 - ❖ **Drell Yan**: more challenging (off-shell, lepton spin corr., threshold exp., ...)
 - ❖ Projection-to-Born $\simeq$ **Antennae**

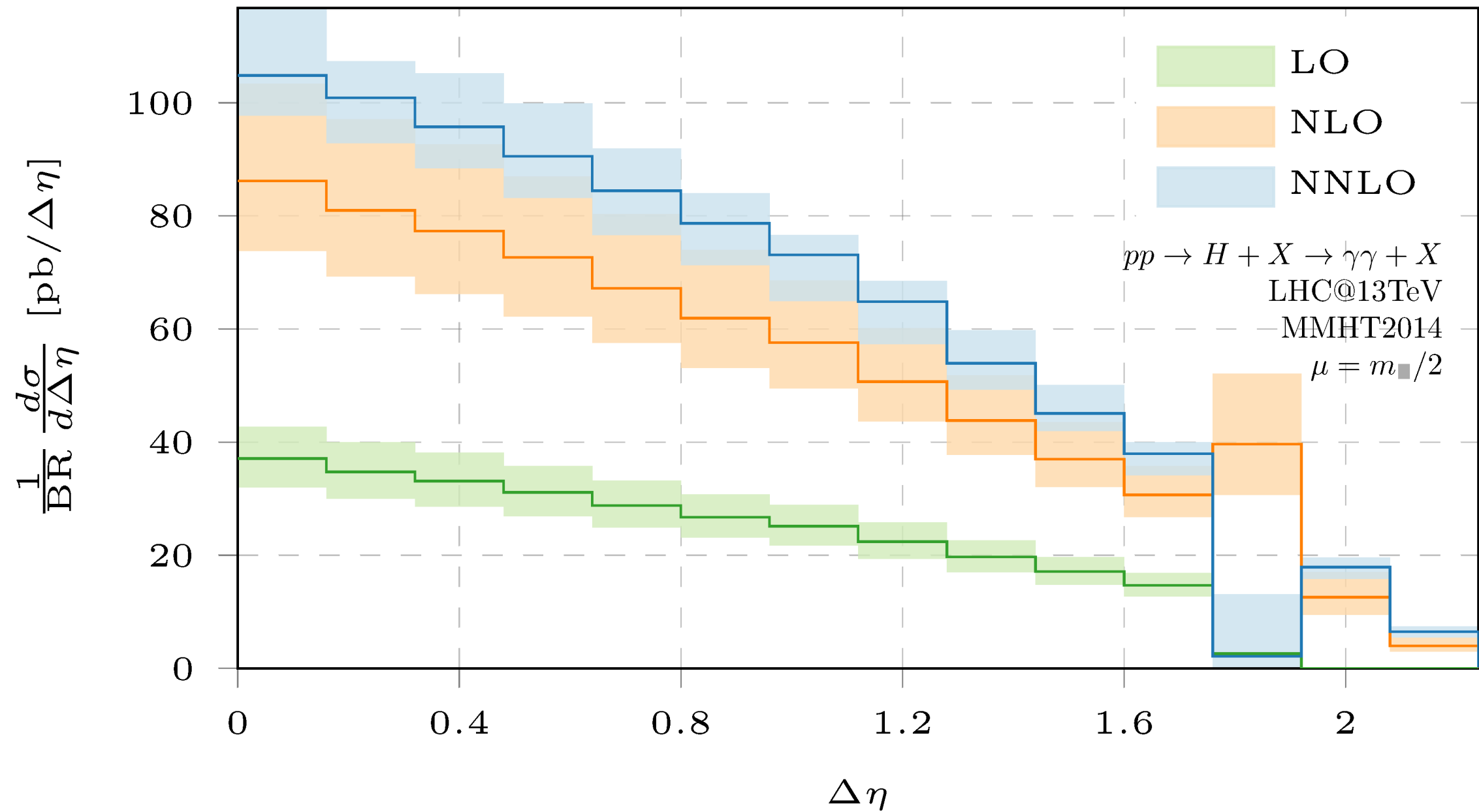
THANK YOU!

BACKUP.

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SHOULDER AT NNLO

[Dulat, Lionetti, Mistlberger, Pelloni, Specchia '17]



NNLO USING SUBTRACTION

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{\text{NNLO}} = & \int_{\Phi_{Z+3}} \left(d\sigma_{\text{NNLO}}^{\text{RR}} - d\sigma_{\text{NNLO}}^{\text{S}} \right) \\ & + \int_{\Phi_{Z+2}} \left(d\sigma_{\text{NNLO}}^{\text{RV}} - d\sigma_{\text{NNLO}}^{\text{T}} \right) \\ & + \int_{\Phi_{Z+1}} \left(d\sigma_{\text{NNLO}}^{\text{VV}} - d\sigma_{\text{NNLO}}^{\text{U}} \right)\end{aligned}$$

Σ finite -0

Antenna subtraction
use **simple** processes ($1 \rightarrow 2$)
to reconstruct singularities of
arbitrary processes ($n \rightarrow m$)
colour ordering

$\Rightarrow$ each line suitable for numerical evaluation in $D = 4$

ANTENNA FACTORIZATION

- ▶ antenna formalism operates on *colour-ordered* amplitudes
- ▶ exploit universal factorisation properties in IR limits

$$\underbrace{|\mathcal{A}_{m+1}^0(\dots, i, j, k, \dots)|^2}_{\text{colour-ordered amplitude}} \xrightarrow{j \text{ unresolved}} \underbrace{X_3^0(i, j, k)}_{\text{antenna function}} \underbrace{|\mathcal{A}_m^0(\dots, \tilde{I}, \tilde{K}, \dots)|^2}_{\text{reduced ME}} + \text{mapping}$$

$\{p_i, p_j, p_k\} \rightarrow \{\tilde{p}_I, \tilde{p}_K\}$

- ▶ captures *multiple limits* and smoothly interpolates between them*

limit	$X_3^0(i, j, k)$	mapping
$p_j \rightarrow 0$	$\frac{2s_{ik}}{s_{ij}s_{jk}}$	$\tilde{p}_I \rightarrow p_i, \tilde{p}_K \rightarrow p_k$
$p_j \parallel p_i$	$\frac{1}{s_{ij}} P_{ij}(z)$	$\tilde{p}_I \rightarrow (p_i + p_j), \tilde{p}_K \rightarrow p_k$
$p_j \parallel p_k$	$\frac{1}{s_{jk}} P_{kj}(z)$	$\tilde{p}_I \rightarrow p_i, \tilde{p}_K \rightarrow (p_j + p_k)$

* c.f. dipoles: $X_3^0(i, j, k) \sim \mathcal{D}_{ij,k} + \mathcal{D}_{kj,i}$

ANTENNA FACTORIZATION

- ▶ antenna formalism operates on *colour-ordered* amplitudes
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$$\underbrace{|\mathcal{A}_{m+2}^0(\dots, i, j, k, l, \dots)|^2}_{\text{colour-ordered amplitude}} \xrightarrow{j \text{ \& } k \text{ unresolved}} \underbrace{X_4^0(i, j, k, l)}_{\text{antenna function}} \underbrace{|\mathcal{A}_m^0(\dots, \tilde{I}, \tilde{L}, \dots)|^2}_{\text{reduced ME}}$$

+ mapping
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$p_j \parallel p_i$	$\frac{1}{s_{ij}} P_{ij}(z)$
$p_j \parallel p_k$	$\frac{1}{s_{jk}} P_{kj}(z)$

- ▶ double soft: $j, k \rightarrow 0$
- ▶ triple-collinear:
 $(i \parallel j \parallel k) \text{ \& } (j \parallel k \parallel l)$
- ▶ double collinear: $(i \parallel j), (k \parallel l)$
- ▶ soft-collinear:
 $(i \parallel j), k \rightarrow 0 \text{ \& } (k \parallel l), j \rightarrow 0$
- ▶ single-unresolved

ANTENNA SUBTRACTION — BUILDING BLOCKS

- $X(\dots)$ based on physical matrix elements $X = \overbrace{A, B, C}^{q\bar{q}}, \overbrace{D, E}^{qg}, \overbrace{F, G, H}^{gg}$

$$X_3^0(i, j, k) = \frac{|\mathcal{A}_3^0(i, j, k)|^2}{|\mathcal{A}_2^0(\tilde{I}, \tilde{K})|^2}, \quad X_4^0(i, j, k, l) = \frac{|\mathcal{A}_4^0(i, j, k, l)|^2}{|\mathcal{A}_2^0(\tilde{I}, \tilde{L})|^2},$$

$$X_3^1(i, j, k) = \frac{|\mathcal{A}_3^1(i, j, k)|^2}{|\mathcal{A}_2^0(\tilde{I}, \tilde{K})|^2} - X_3^0(i, j, k) \frac{|\mathcal{A}_2^1(\tilde{I}, \tilde{K})|^2}{|\mathcal{A}_2^0(\tilde{I}, \tilde{K})|^2},$$

$$A_3^0(i_q, j_g, k_{\bar{q}}) = \left| \text{diagram} \right|^2 / \left| \text{diagram} \right|^2$$

- integrating the antennae $\longleftrightarrow$ phase-space factorization

$$\begin{aligned} d\Phi_{m+1}(\dots, p_i, p_j, p_k, \dots) \\ = d\Phi_m(\dots, \tilde{p}_I, \tilde{p}_K, \dots) d\Phi_{X_{ijk}}(p_i, p_j, p_k; \tilde{p}_I + \tilde{p}_K) \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{X}_3^{0,1}(i, j, k) = \int d\Phi_{X_{ijk}} X_3^{0,1}(i, j, k), \quad \mathcal{X}_4^0(i, j, k, l) = \int d\Phi_{X_{ijkl}} X_4^0(i, j, k, l)$$

ANTENNA SUBTRACTION — BUILDING BLOCKS

$\overbrace{q\bar{q}} \quad \overbrace{qg} \quad \overbrace{gg}$

All building blocks known!

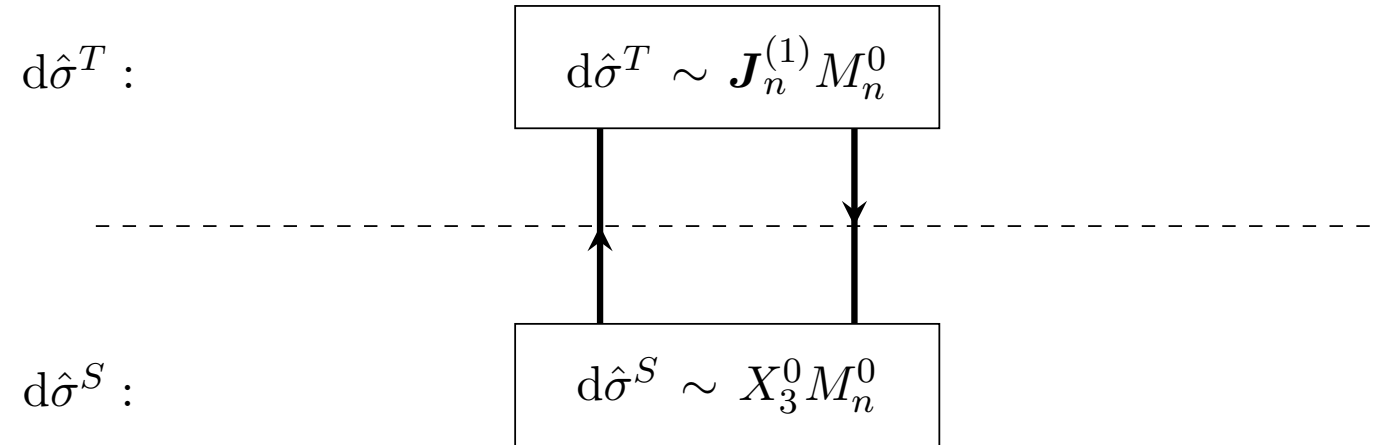
X_3^0, X_4^0, X_3^1 and integrated counterparts $\mathcal{X}_3^0, \mathcal{X}_4^0, \mathcal{X}_3^1$

$\forall$ configurations relevant at hadron colliders:

- $\hookrightarrow$ final-final e^+e^-
[Gehrmann-De Ridder, Gehrmann, Glover '05]
- $\hookrightarrow$ initial-final e^+p
[Daleo, Gehrmann-De Ridder, Gehrmann, Luisoni, Maitre '06,'09,'12]
- $\hookrightarrow$ initial-initial pp
[Boughezal, Daleo, Gehrmann-De Ridder, Gehrmann, Maitre, et al. '10,'11,'12]

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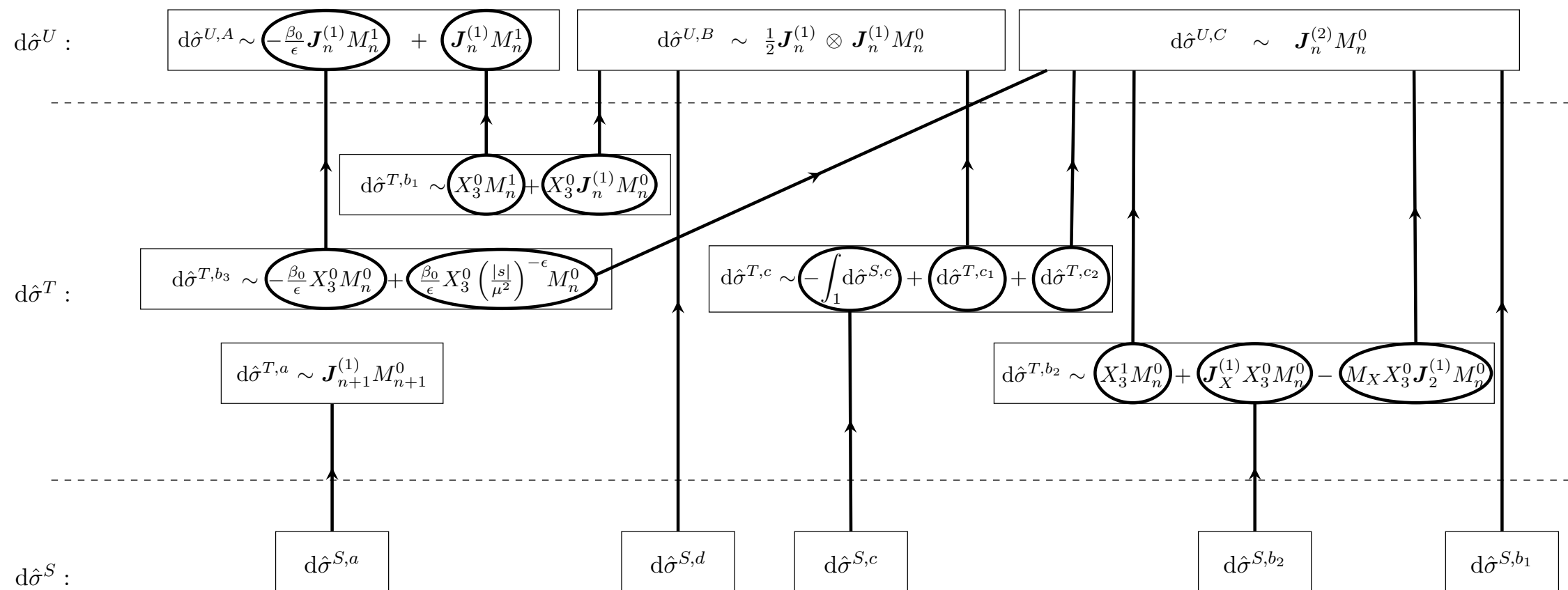
ANTENNA SUBTRACTION @ NLO — $q\bar{q} \rightarrow ggZ$



$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int \left\{ d\sigma_{Z+1\text{jet}}^{\text{R}} - d\sigma_{Z+1\text{jet}}^{\text{S}} \right\} \\
 &= \int d\Phi_{Z+2} \left\{ \left| \mathcal{A}_4^0(1_q, 3_g, 4_g, 2_{\bar{q}}, Z) \right|^2 \mathcal{J}(\Phi_{Z+2}) \right. \\
 &\quad - d_3^0(1_q, 3_g, 4_g) \left| \mathcal{A}_3^0(\widetilde{1}_q, \widetilde{(34)}_g, 2_{\bar{q}}, Z) \right|^2 \mathcal{J}(\widetilde{\Phi}_{Z+1}) \\
 &\quad \left. - d_3^0(2_{\bar{q}}, 4_g, 3_g) \left| \mathcal{A}_3^0(1_q, \widetilde{(34)}_g, \widetilde{2}_{\bar{q}}, Z) \right|^2 \mathcal{J}(\widetilde{\Phi}_{Z+1}) \right\} + (3 \leftrightarrow 4) \\
 & \int \left\{ d\sigma_{Z+1\text{jet}}^{\text{V}} - d\sigma_{Z+1\text{jet}}^{\text{T}} \right\} \\
 &= \int d\Phi_{Z+1} \left\{ \left| \mathcal{A}_3^1(1_q, 3_g, 2_{\bar{q}}, Z) \right|^2 \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{2} [\mathcal{D}_3^0(s_{13}) + \mathcal{D}_3^0(s_{23})] \left| \mathcal{A}_3^0(1_q, 3_g, 2_{\bar{q}}, Z) \right|^2 \right\} \mathcal{J}(\Phi_{Z+1})
 \end{aligned}$$

ANTENNA SUBTRACTION @ NNLO

[J. Currie, E.W.N. Glover, S. Wells '13]



- ▶ double real: $d\sigma^S \sim X_3^0 |\mathcal{A}_{m+1}^0|^2, \quad X_4^0 |\mathcal{A}_m^0|^2, \quad X_3^0 X_3^0 |\mathcal{A}_m^0|^2$
- ▶ real-virtual: $d\sigma^T \sim X_3^0 |\mathcal{A}_{m+1}^0|^2, \quad X_3^0 |\mathcal{A}_m^1|^2, \quad X_3^1 |\mathcal{A}_m^0|^2$
- ▶ double virtual: $d\sigma^U = (\text{collect rest}) \sim \mathcal{X} |\mathcal{A}_m^{0,1}|^2$

ANTENNA SUBTRACTION — CHECKS OF THE CALCULATION

Analytic pole cancellation

- Poles $(d\sigma^{\text{RV}} - d\sigma^{\text{T}}) = 0$
- Poles $(d\sigma^{\text{VV}} - d\sigma^{\text{U}}) = 0$

DimReg: $D = 4 - 2\epsilon$

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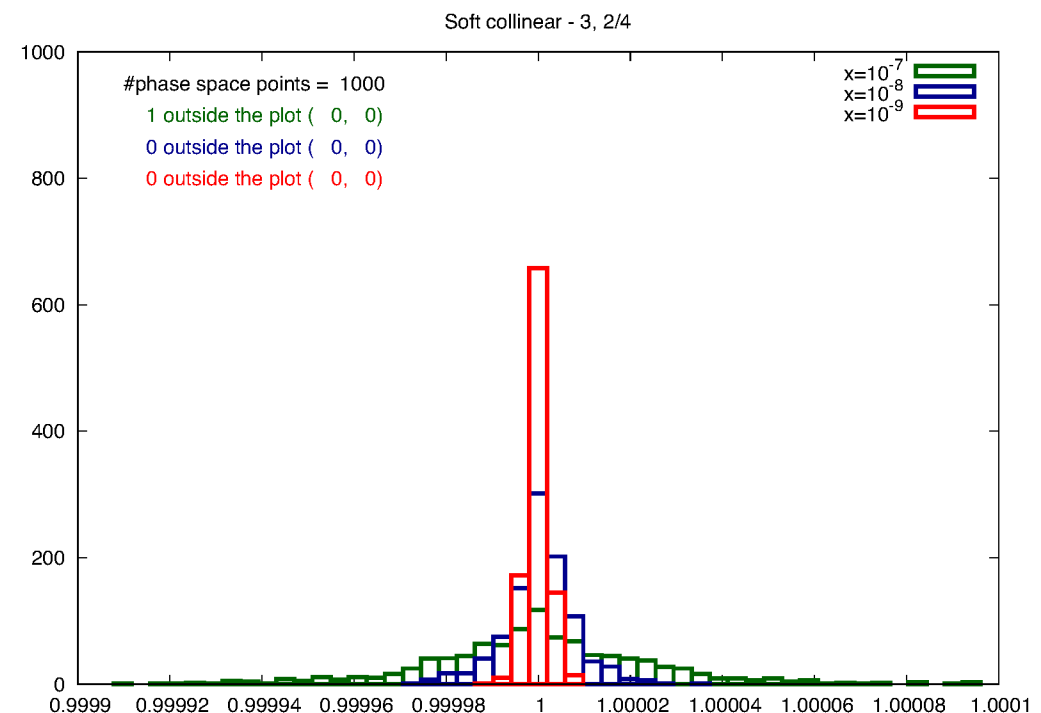
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Unresolved limits

- $d\sigma^{\text{S}} \rightarrow d\sigma^{\text{RR}}$ (single- & double-unresolved)
- $d\sigma^{\text{T}} \rightarrow d\sigma^{\text{RV}}$ (single-unresolved)

bin the ratio: $d\sigma^{\text{S}}/d\sigma^{\text{RR}} \xrightarrow{\text{unresolved}} 1$

$q \bar{q} \rightarrow Z + g_3 g_4 g_5$ (g_3 soft & $g_4 \parallel \bar{q}$)



(approach singular limit: $x_i = 10^{-7}, 10^{-8}, 10^{-9}$)



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Processes computed using the antenna subtraction method

- ▶ $pp \rightarrow V$ @ NNLO
- ▶ $pp \rightarrow V + j$ @ NNLO
 $\hookrightarrow V \rightarrow \ell\bar{\ell}$ (VBF) @ NNLO
- ▶ $pp \rightarrow \text{jets}$ @ NNLO
- ▶ $pp \rightarrow \gamma + \dots$ @ NNLO
- ▶ $ep \rightarrow \dots$ @ NNLO
- ▶ $ep \rightarrow \dots$ @ NNLO
- ▶ $e^+e^- \rightarrow \dots$ @ NNLO
- ▶ $pp \rightarrow \gamma\gamma, \tau\tau, V\gamma, VV$ @ NNLO
- ▶ $pp \rightarrow VH$ @ NNLO
 $\hookrightarrow H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$
- ▶ ...

NNLO subtraction set up for
 "colour neutral" + 0,1,2 jets

pp