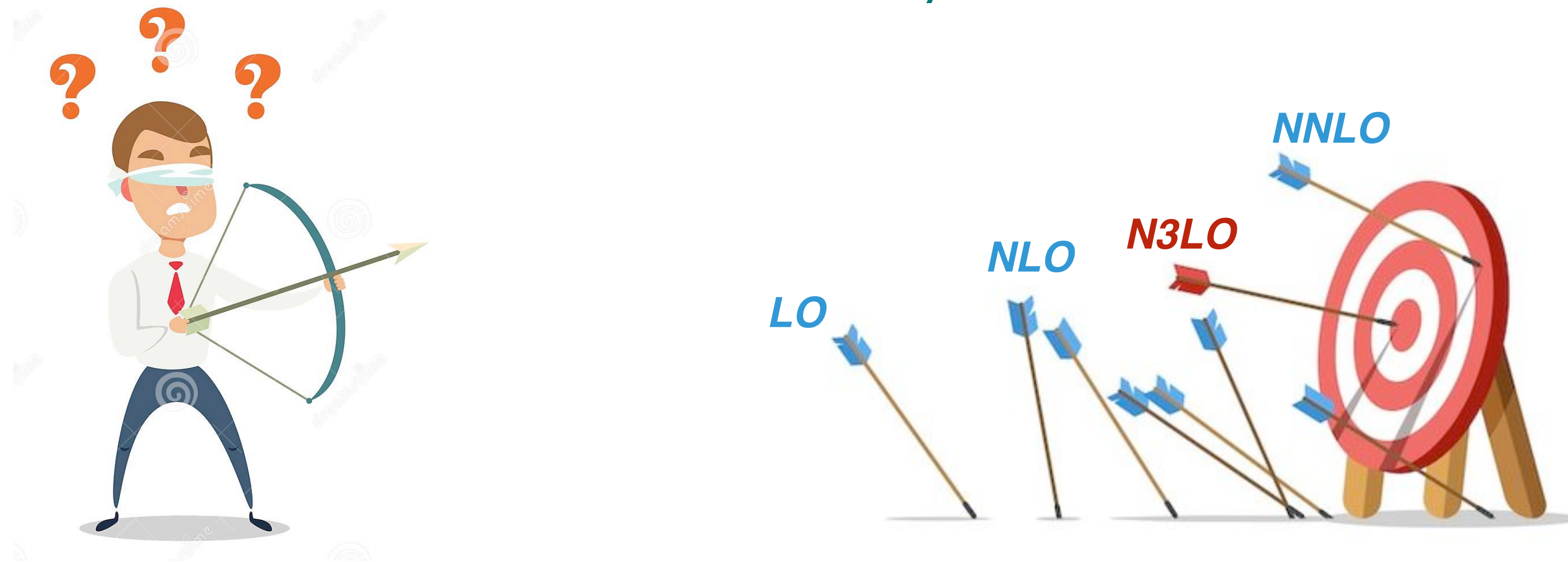


QCD and Monte Carlo event generators (Lecture 3 — Resummation & MCs)

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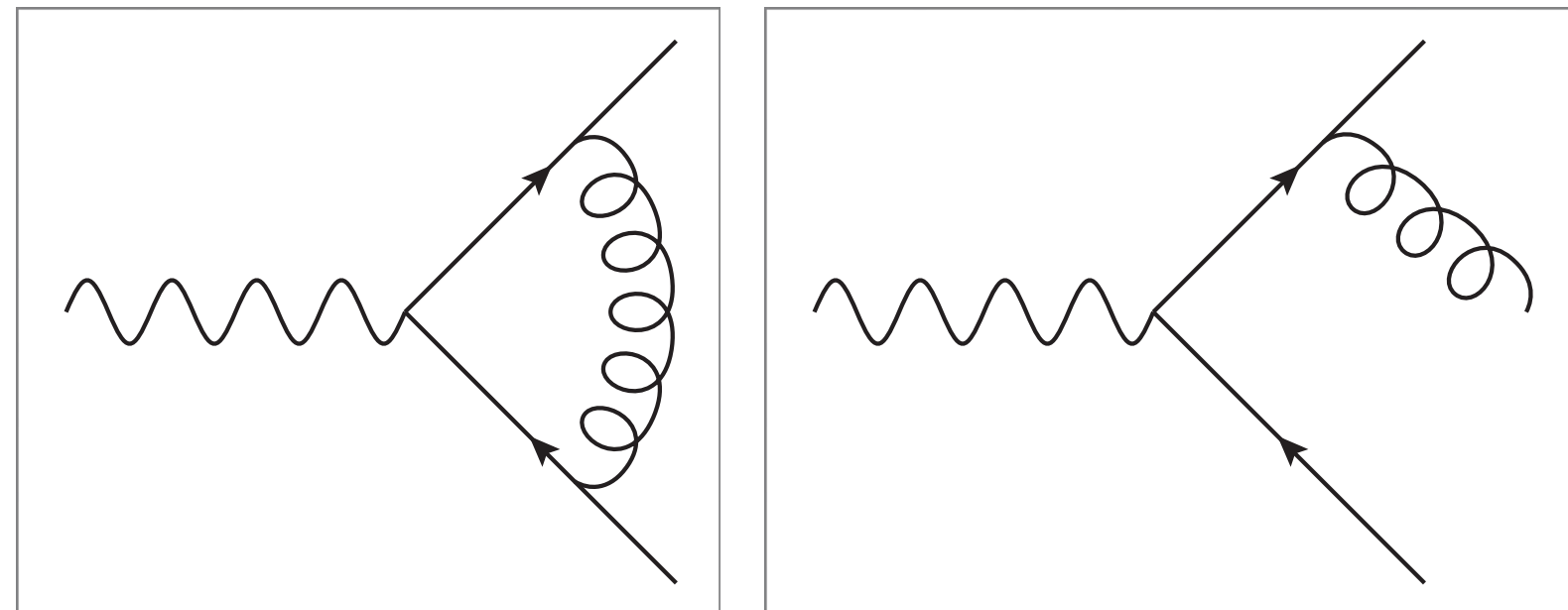
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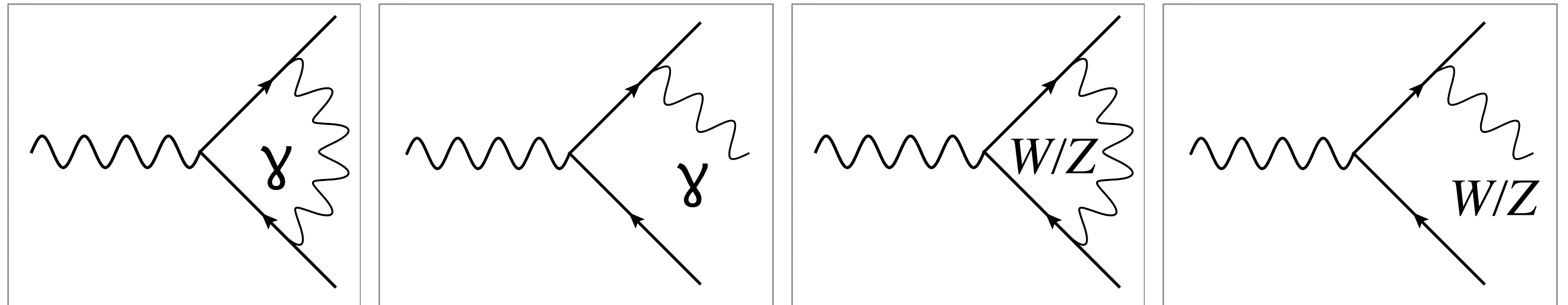
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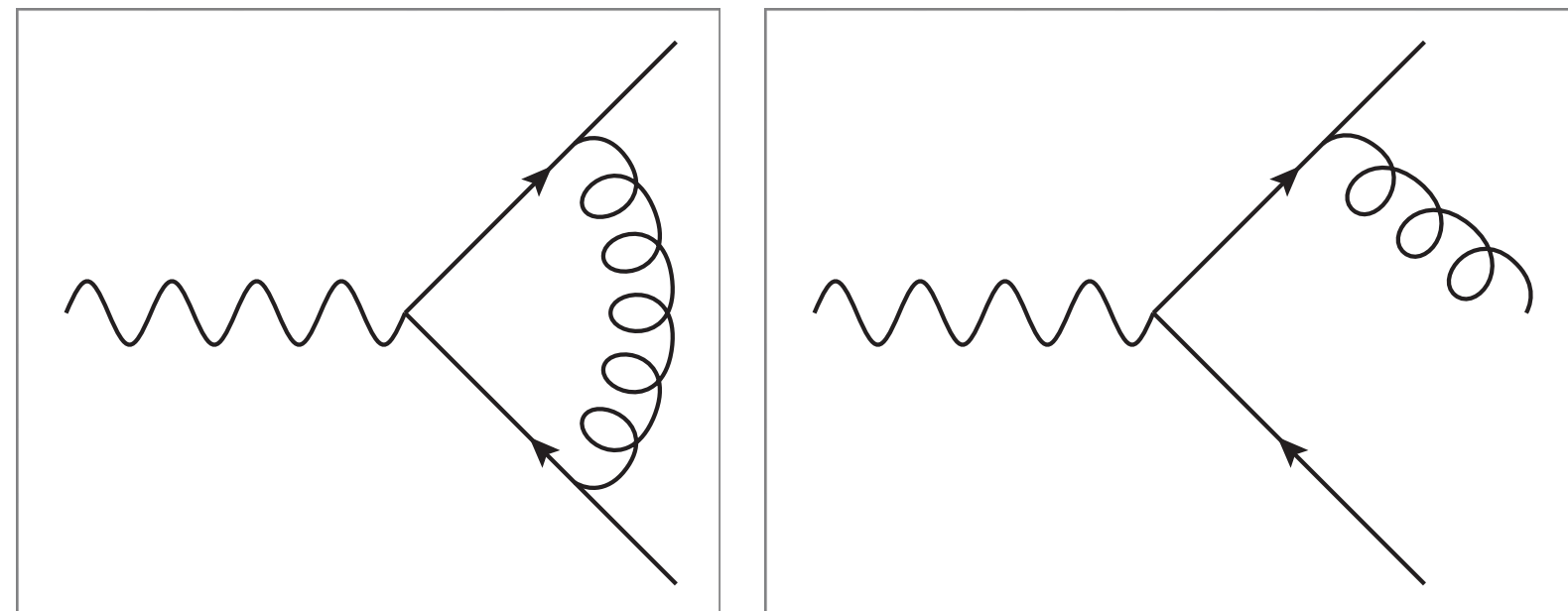
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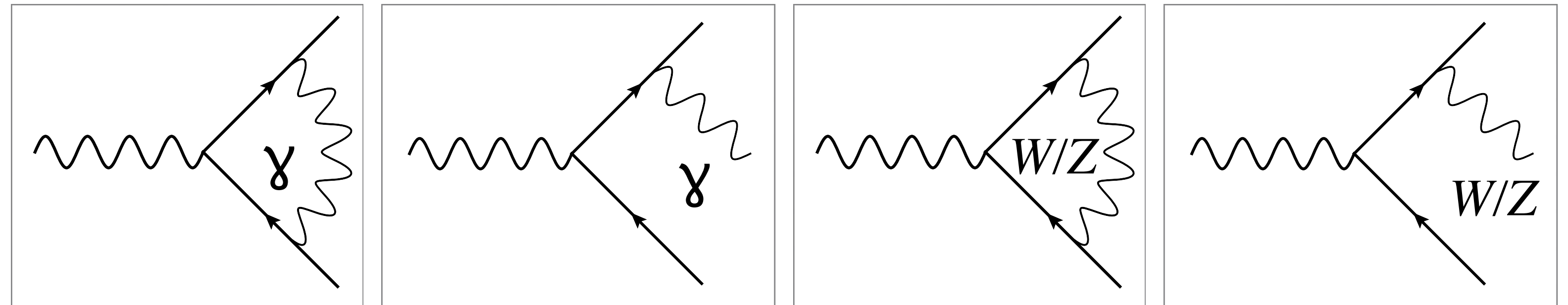
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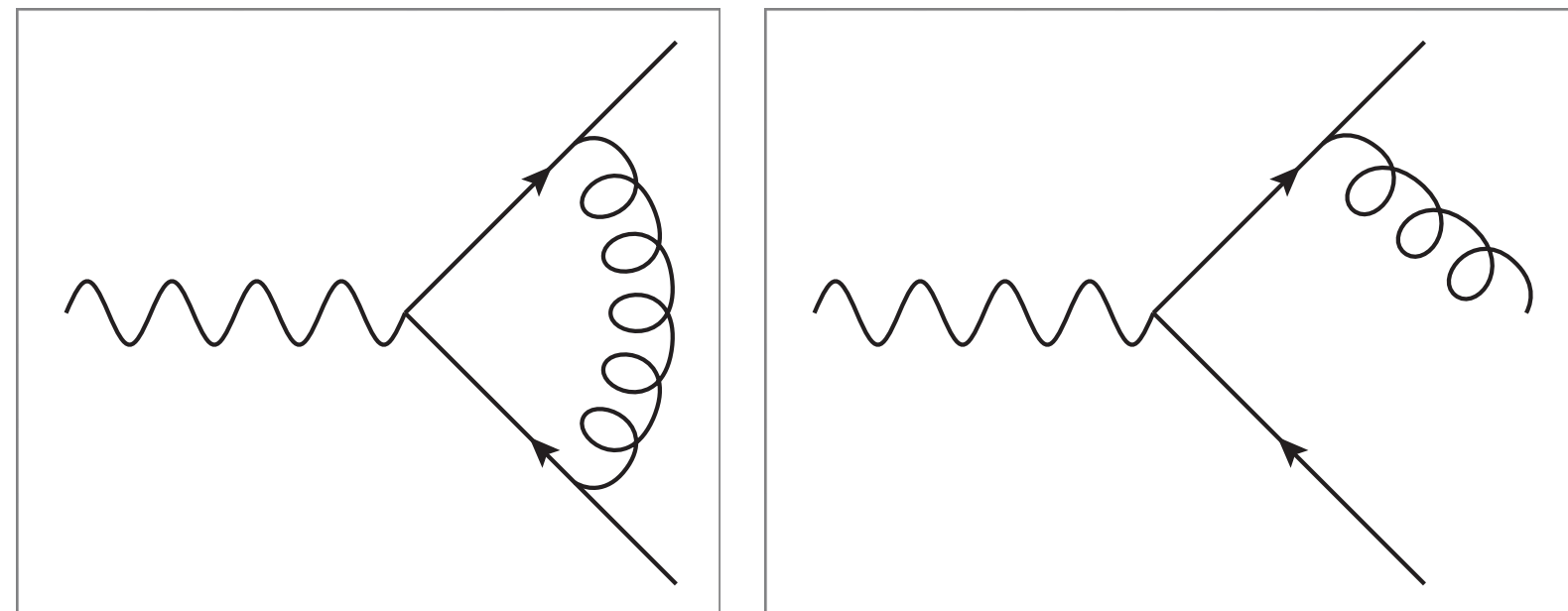


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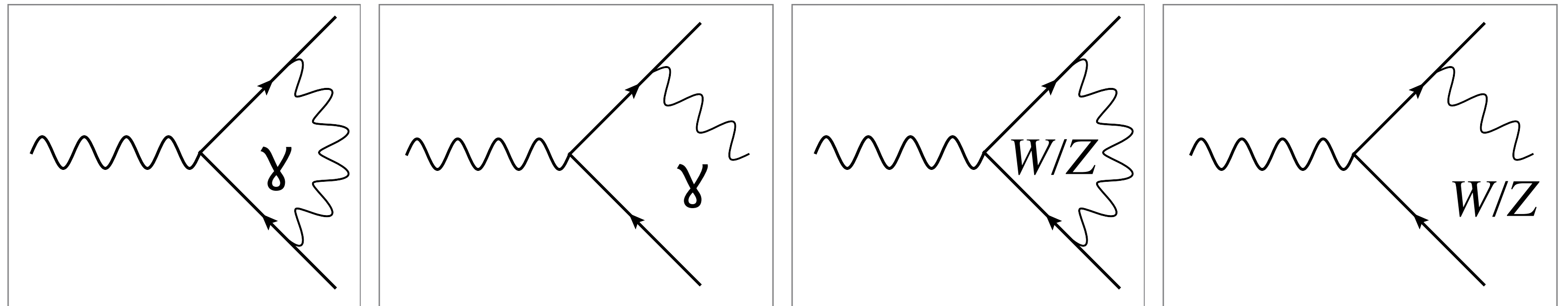
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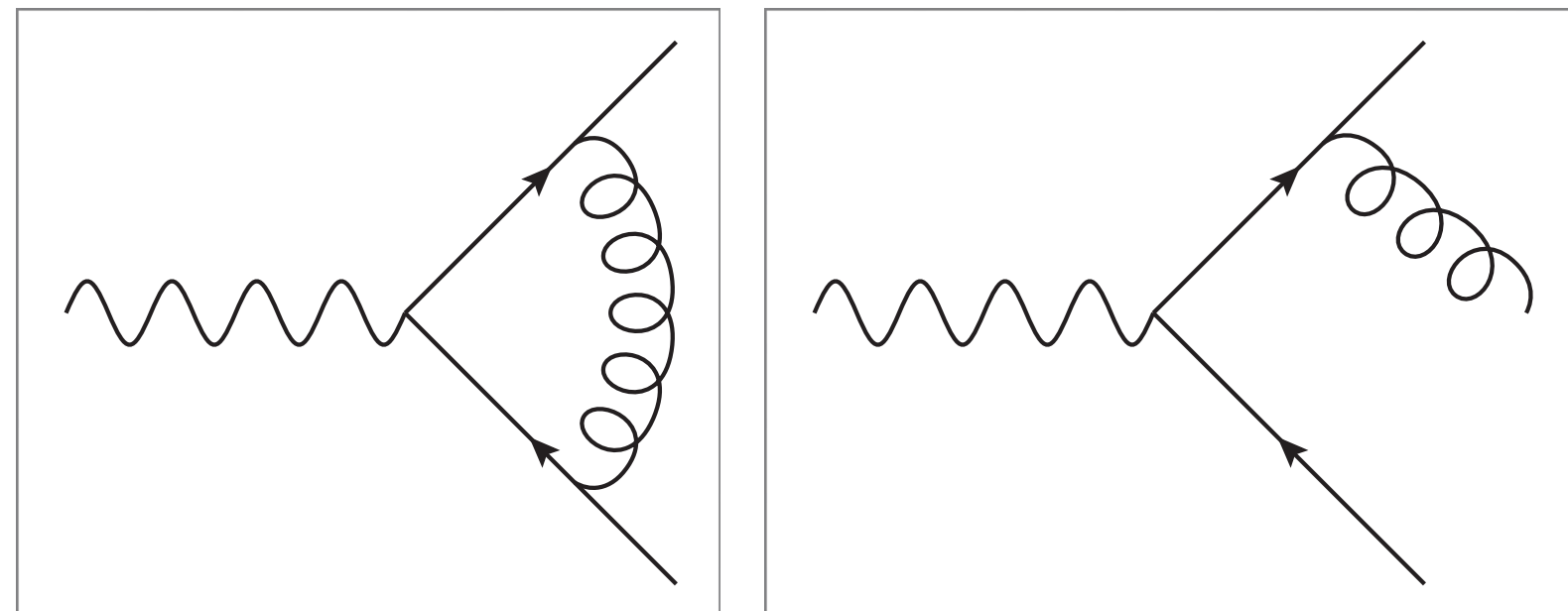
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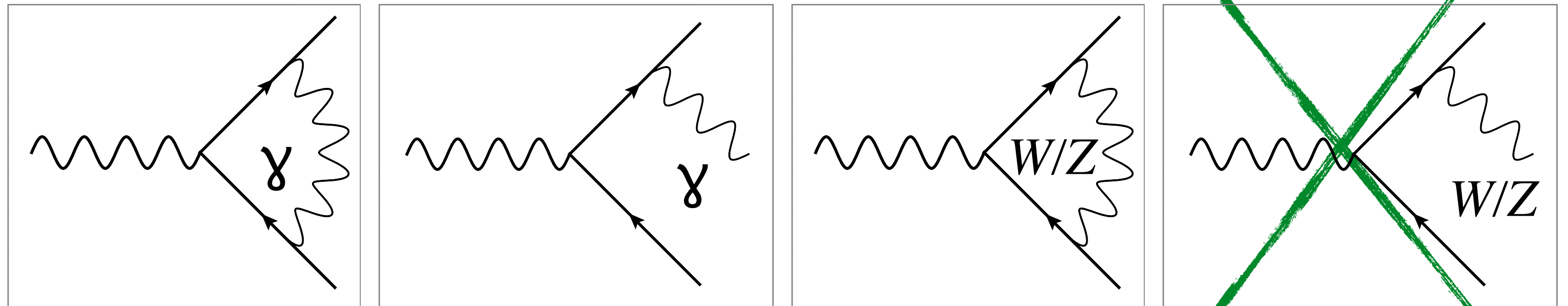
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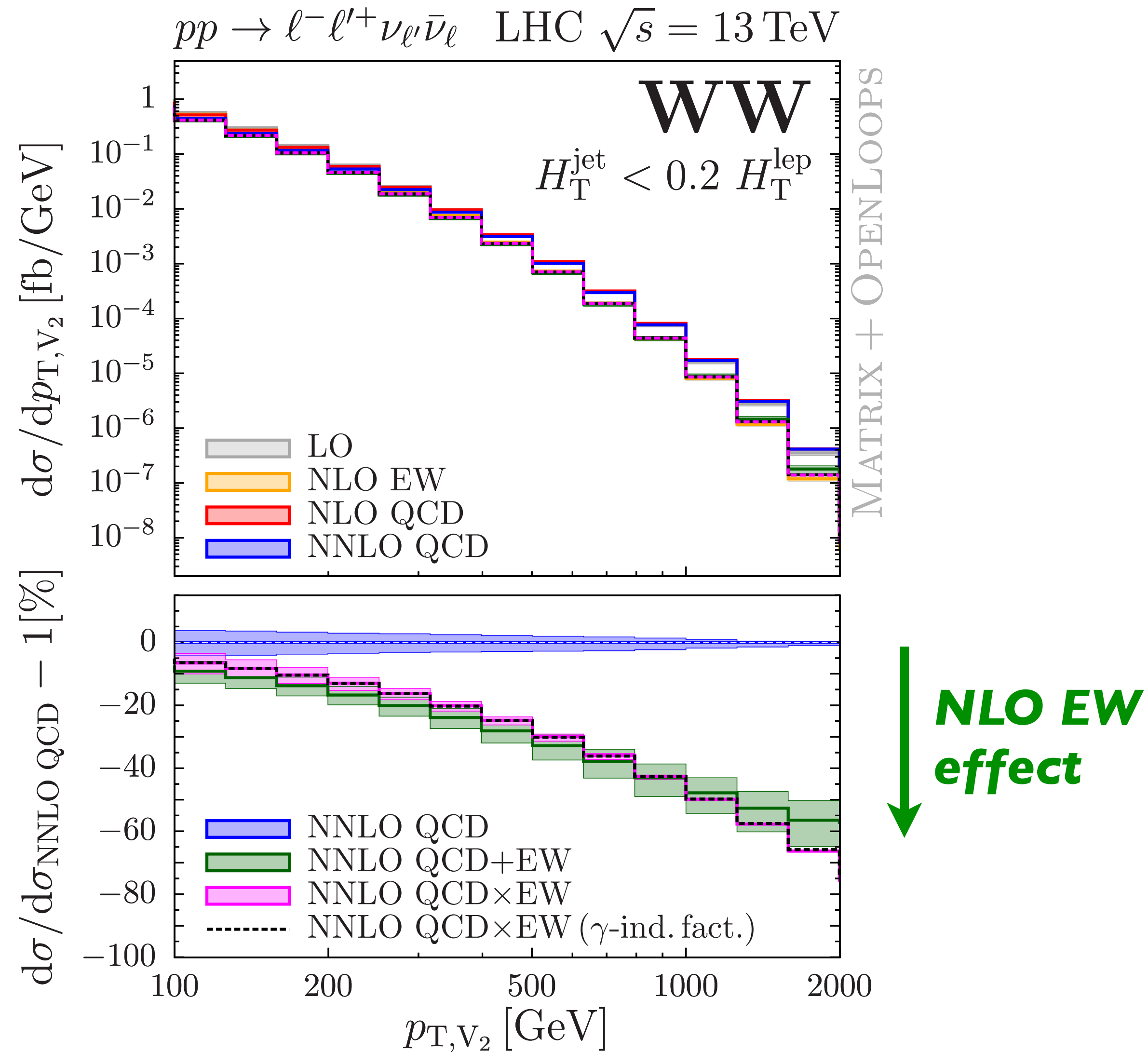
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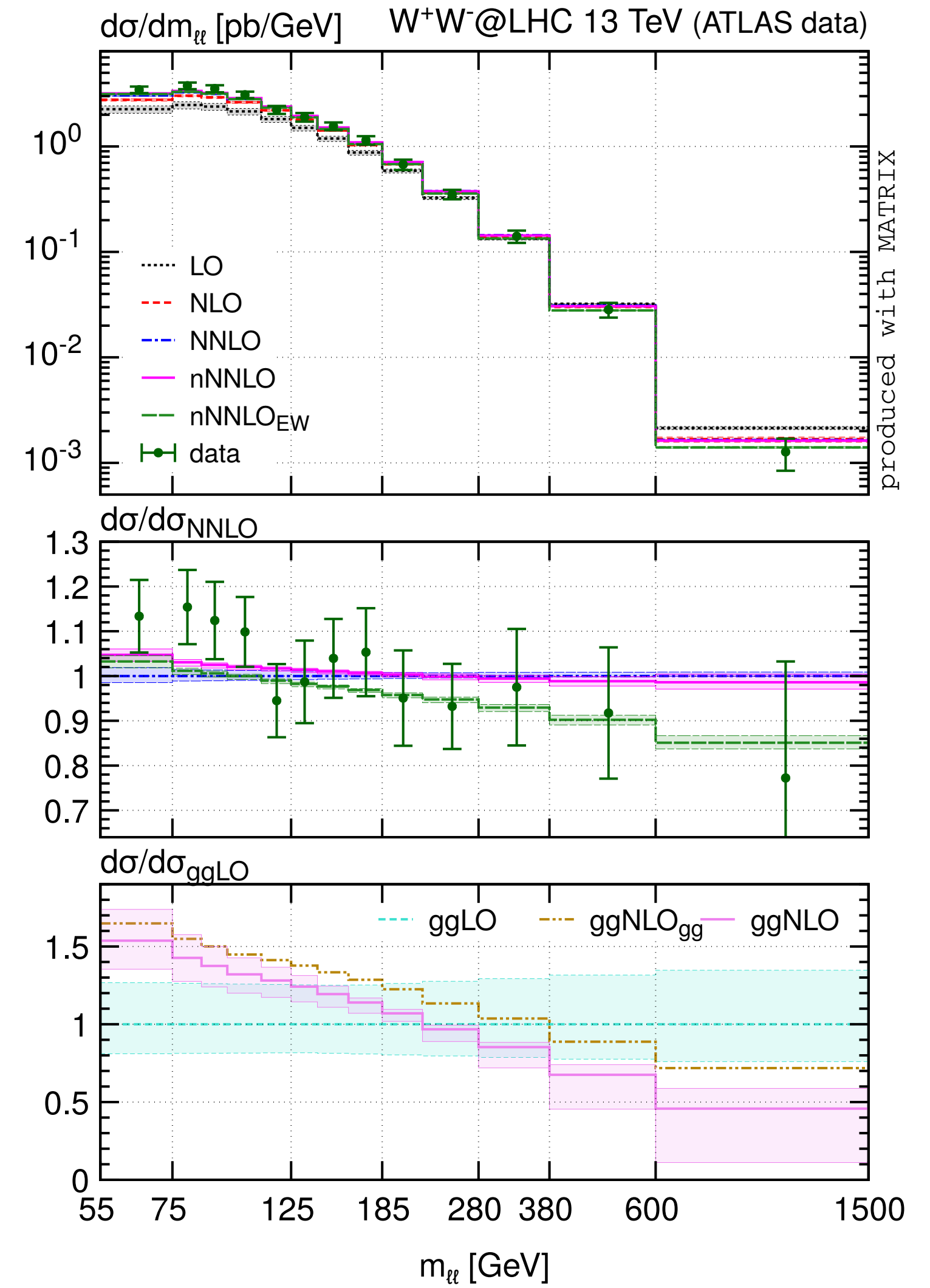
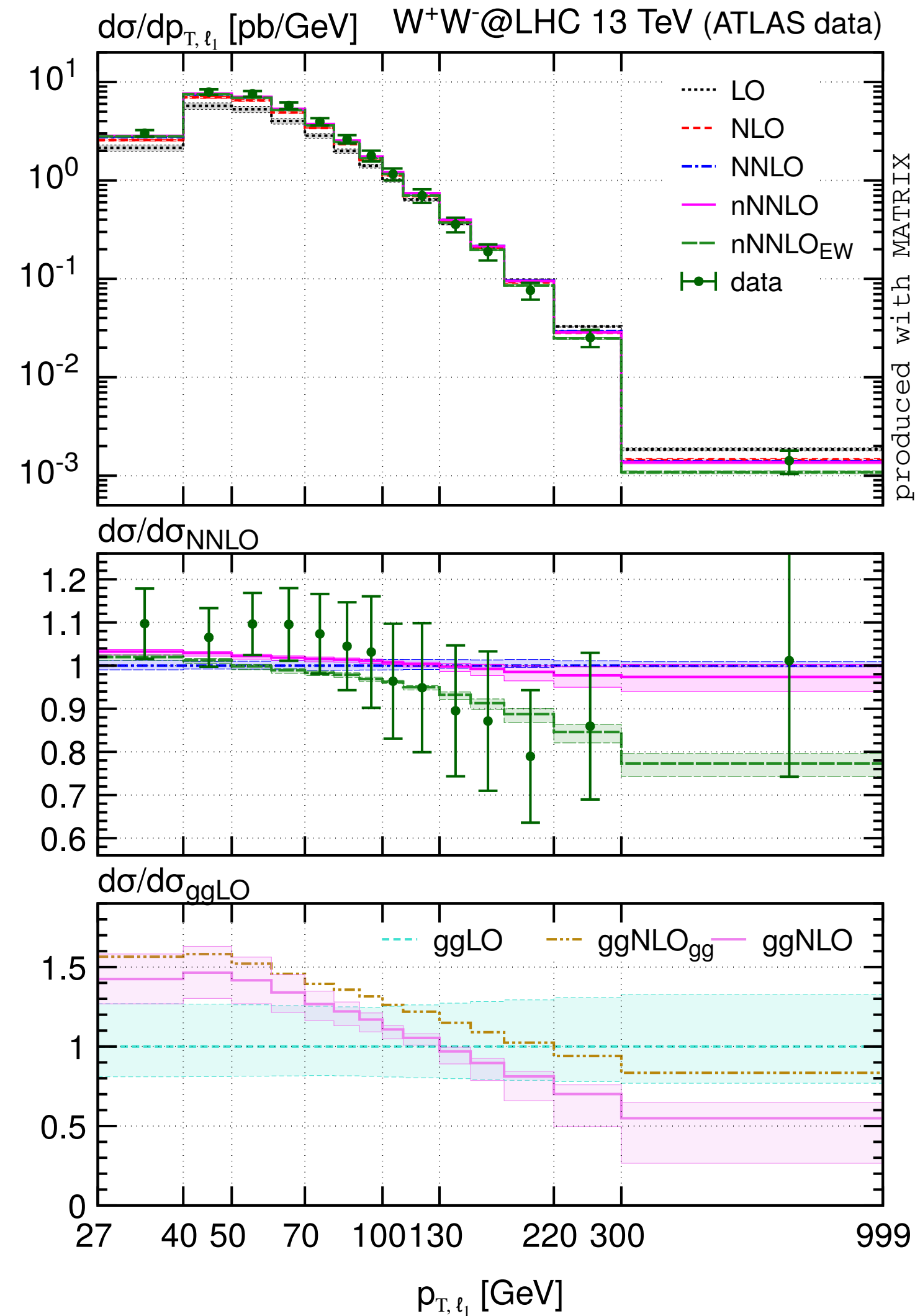
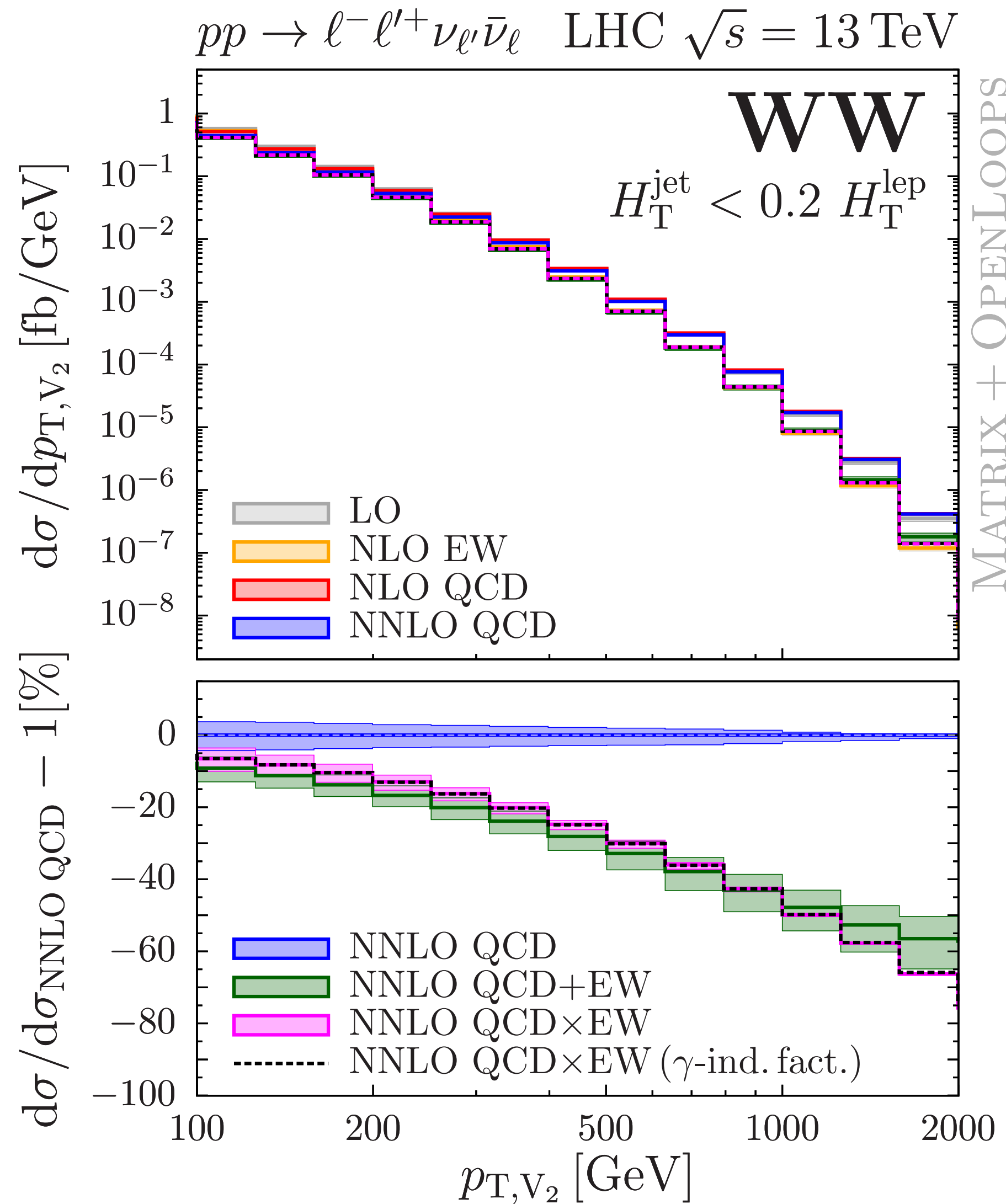
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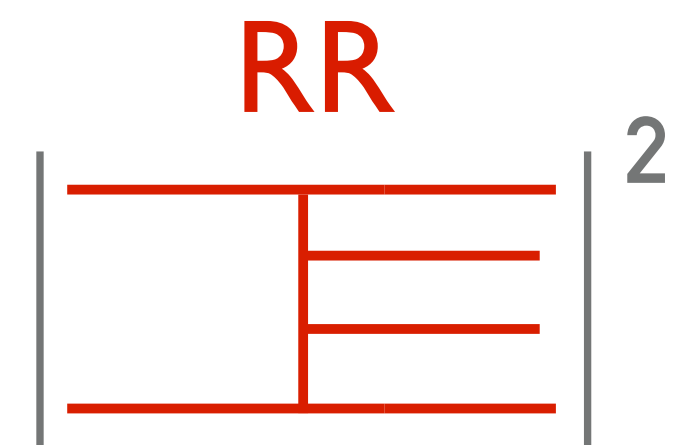
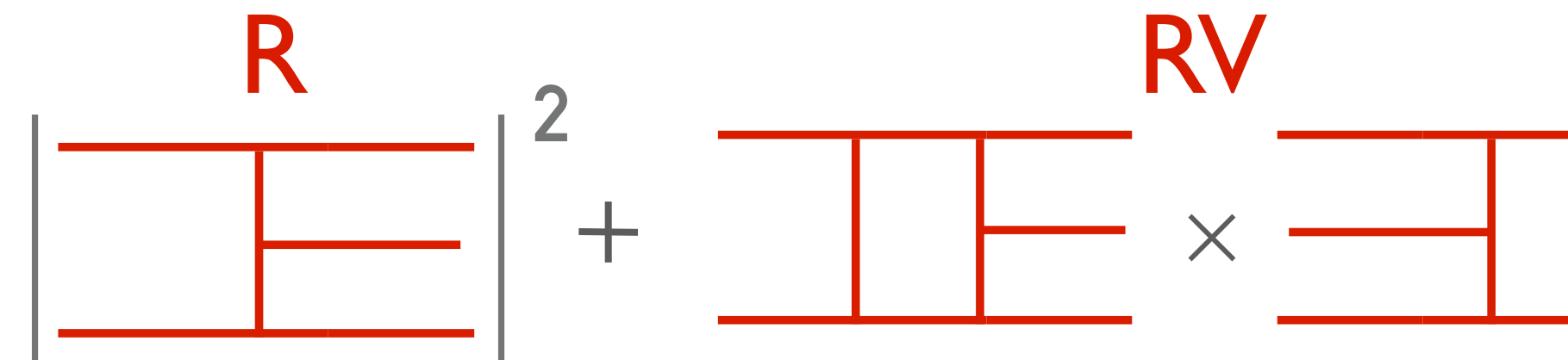
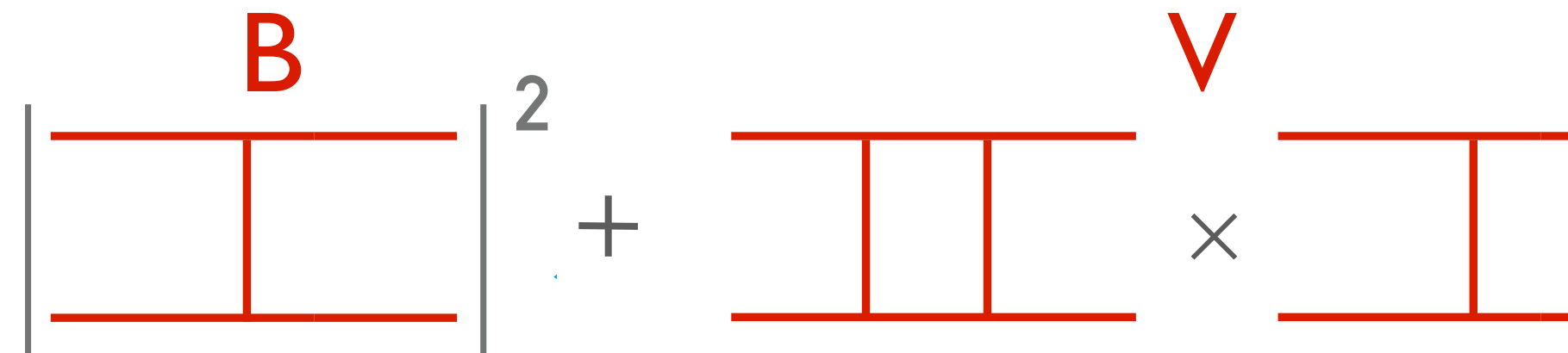
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Local subtraction

Antenna

[Gehrmann-De Ridder, Gehrmann, Glover '05]

STRIPPER

[Czakon '10]

nested soft.-coll.

[Caola, Melnikov, Röntsch '17]

CoLorFul

[Del Duca, Somogyi, Troscanyi '05]

Projection-to-Born

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non-local/slicing

qT-subtraction

[Catani, Grazzini '07, MATRIX]

N-jettiness

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 - LHC Factorization/Master Formula (PDFs, partonic cross section)
 - NLO QCD (methods, slicing vs. subtraction vs. analytic)
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Lecture 2: Hands-on session on MATRIX

Lecture 3

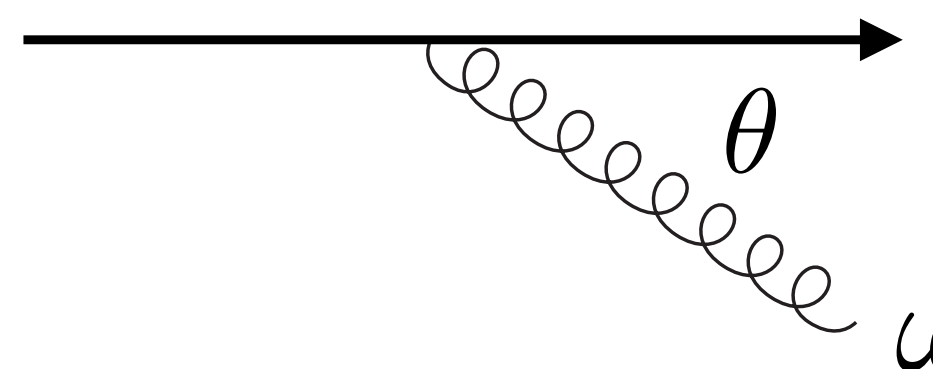
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 - Parton Shower Generators (formalism, hadronization, MPI)
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 - NNLO+PS Matching (MiNNLO, Geneva)

Resummation

- ★ By KLN theorem IR (soft/collinear) singularities cancel for IR-safe observables

The cancellation of real & virtual singularities can be spoiled in certain regions of phase space

- ★ This is the case, when observables become sensitive to soft/collinear (QCD) radiation.
 - large logarithmic terms invalidate the perturbative expansion of the cross section
- ★ Gluon radiation produces a double-log behaviour (one collinear and one soft logarithm)

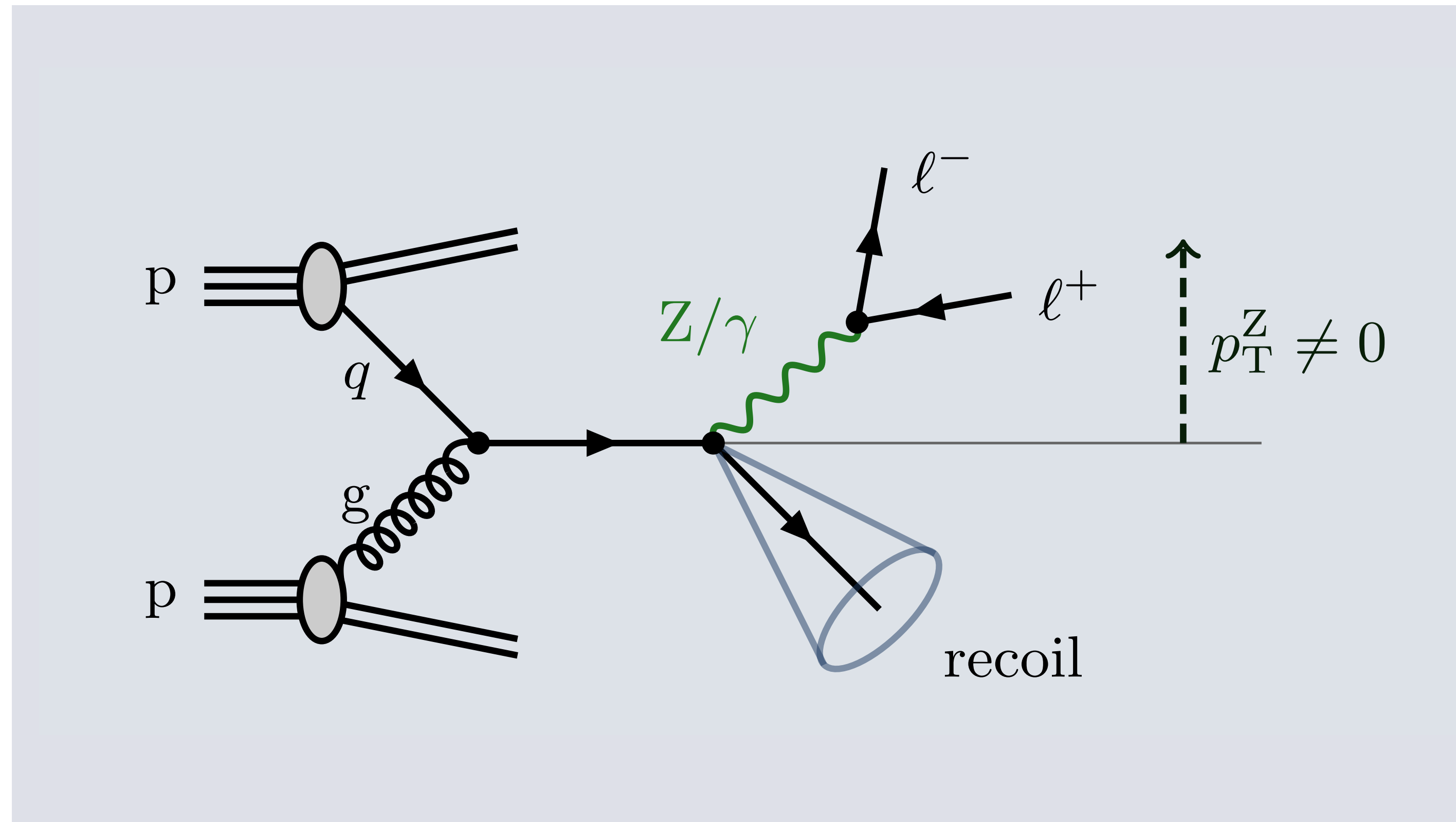


A diagram showing a horizontal line representing a hard process. From the right end of this line, a wavy line representing a gluon emission extends downwards and to the right. The angle between the horizontal line and the wavy line is labeled θ . The wavy line is labeled ω at its end.

$$\sim \frac{\alpha_S}{\pi} \frac{d\theta^2}{\theta^2} \frac{d\omega}{\omega}$$

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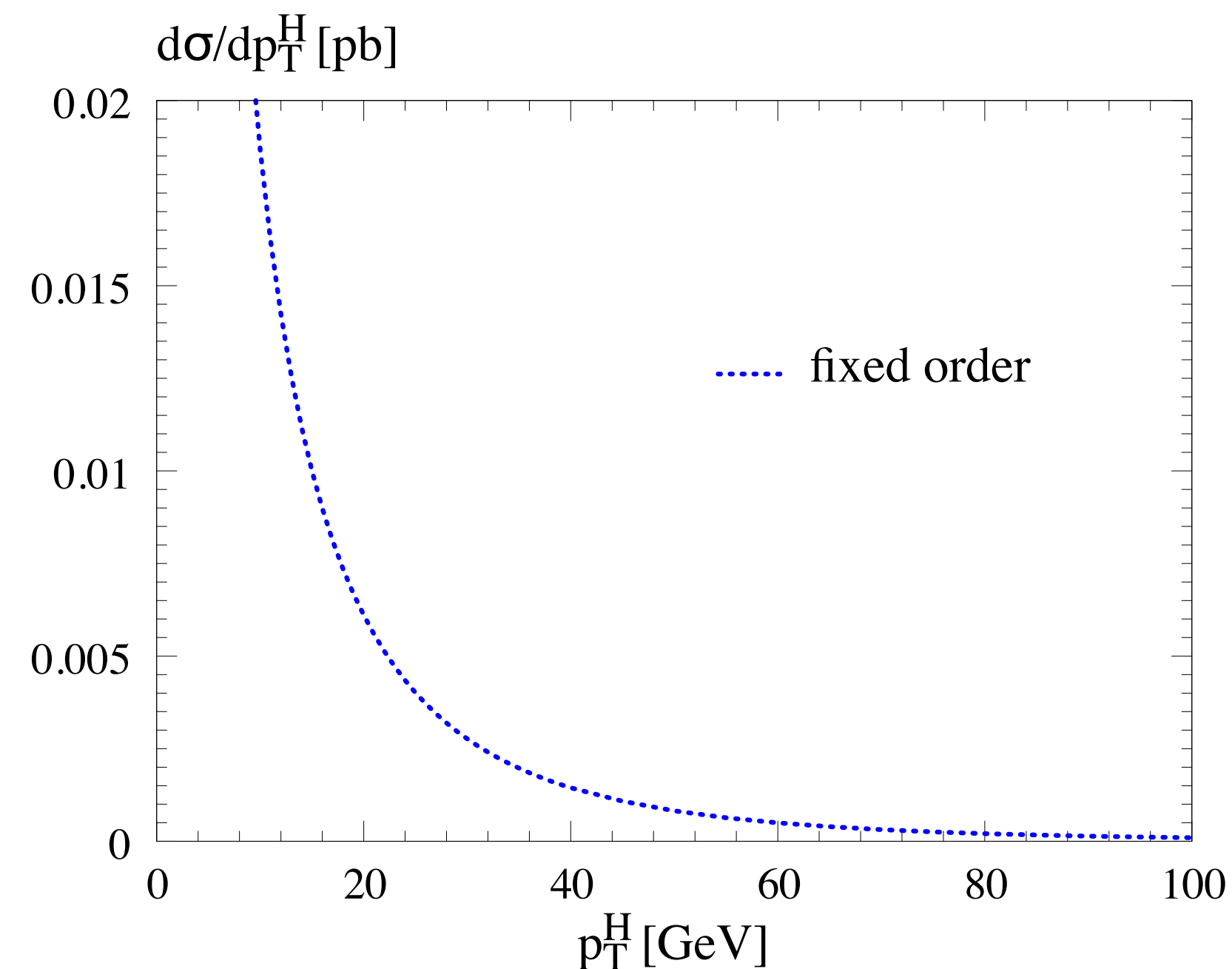
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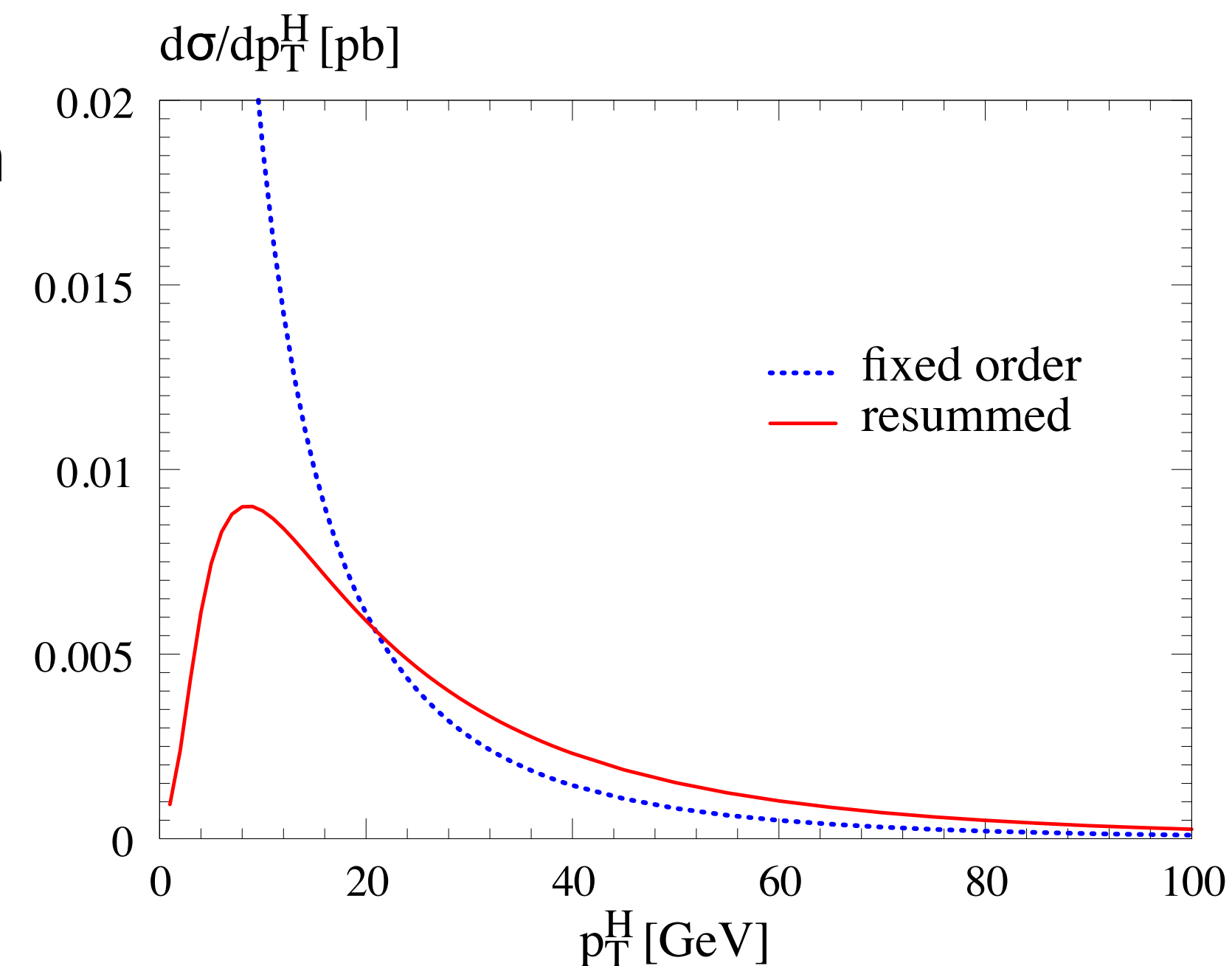
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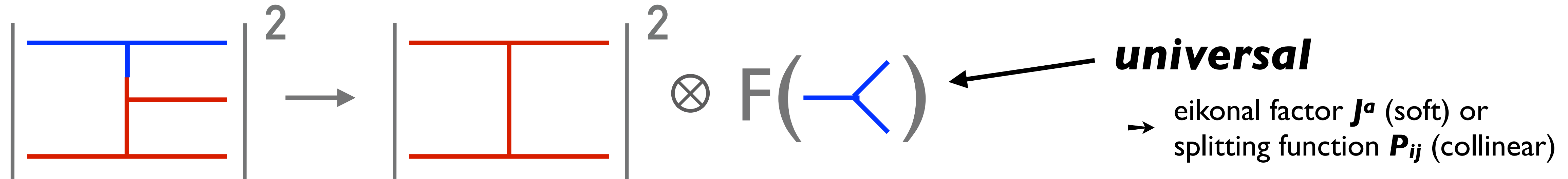
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- ▶ solution: all order resummation



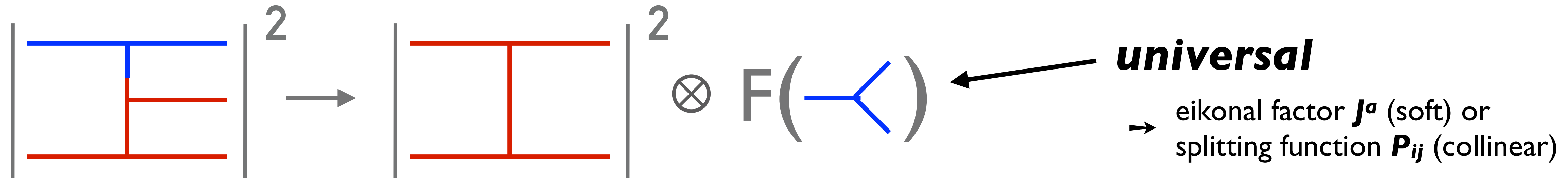
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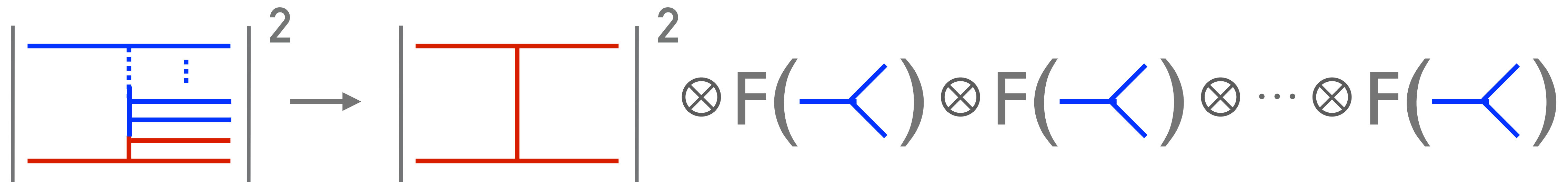


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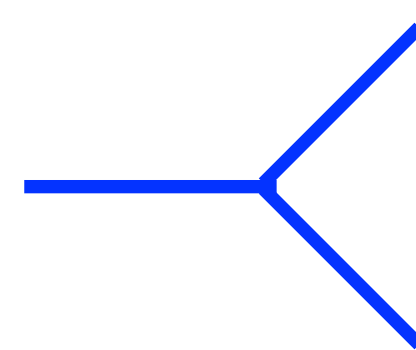
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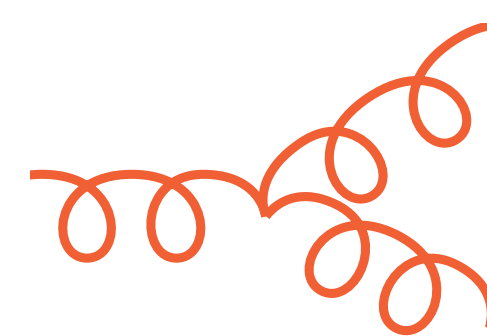
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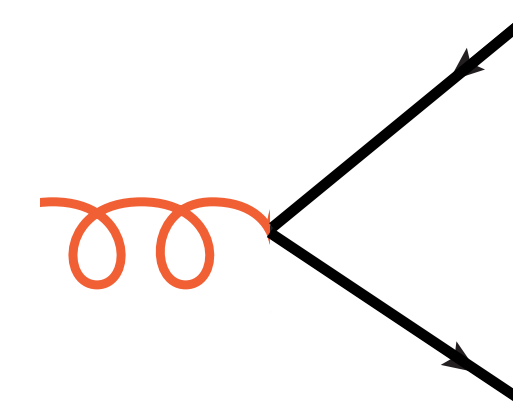
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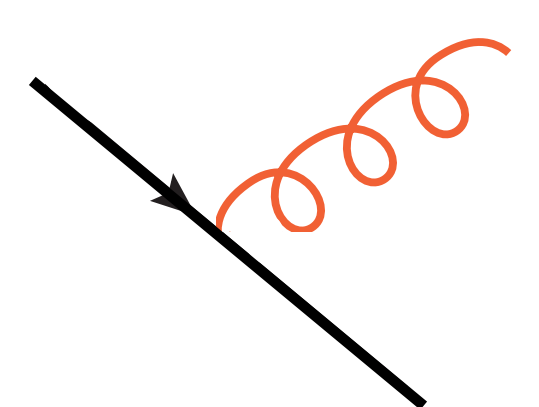
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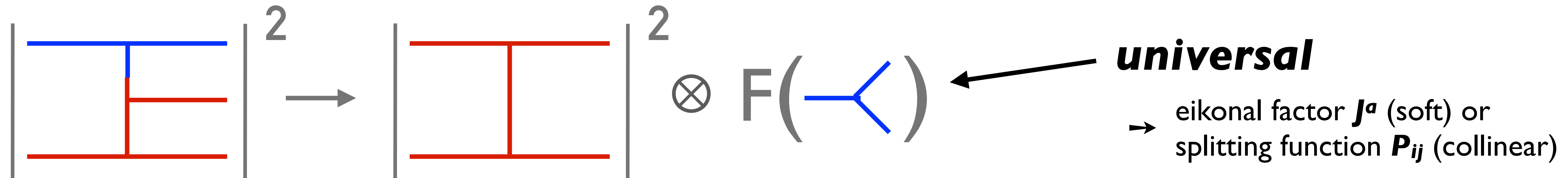
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Sudakov form factor

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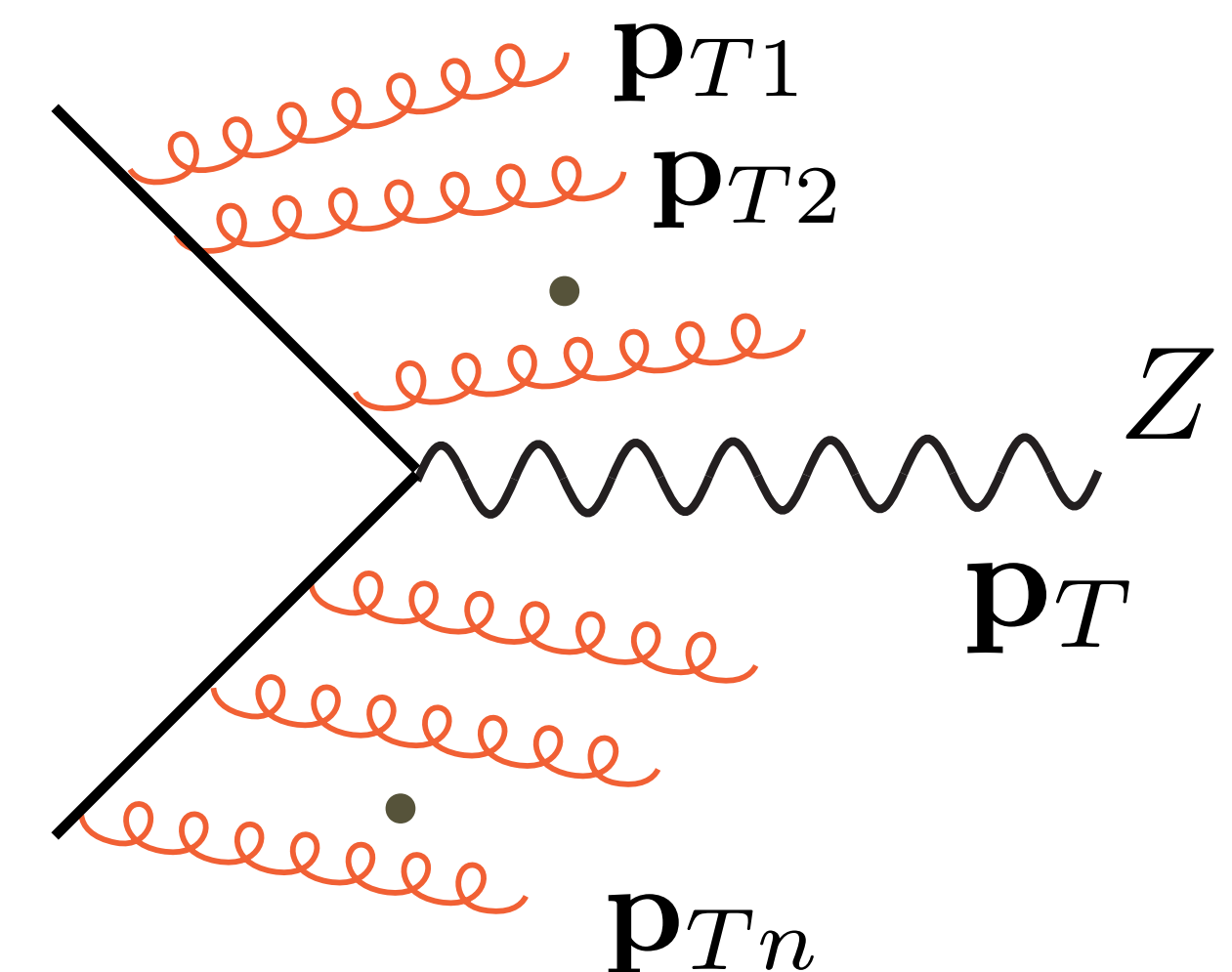


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- ★ However, also the phase space needs to be factorized

→ go to impact-parameter space (in case of p_T), where radiation factorizes, to implement momentum conservation

$$\delta^{(2)}(\mathbf{p}_T - \mathbf{p}_{T1} - \dots - \mathbf{p}_{Tn}) \quad \longrightarrow \quad e^{i\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{p}_T} \prod_{i=1}^n e^{-i\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{p}_{Ti}}$$



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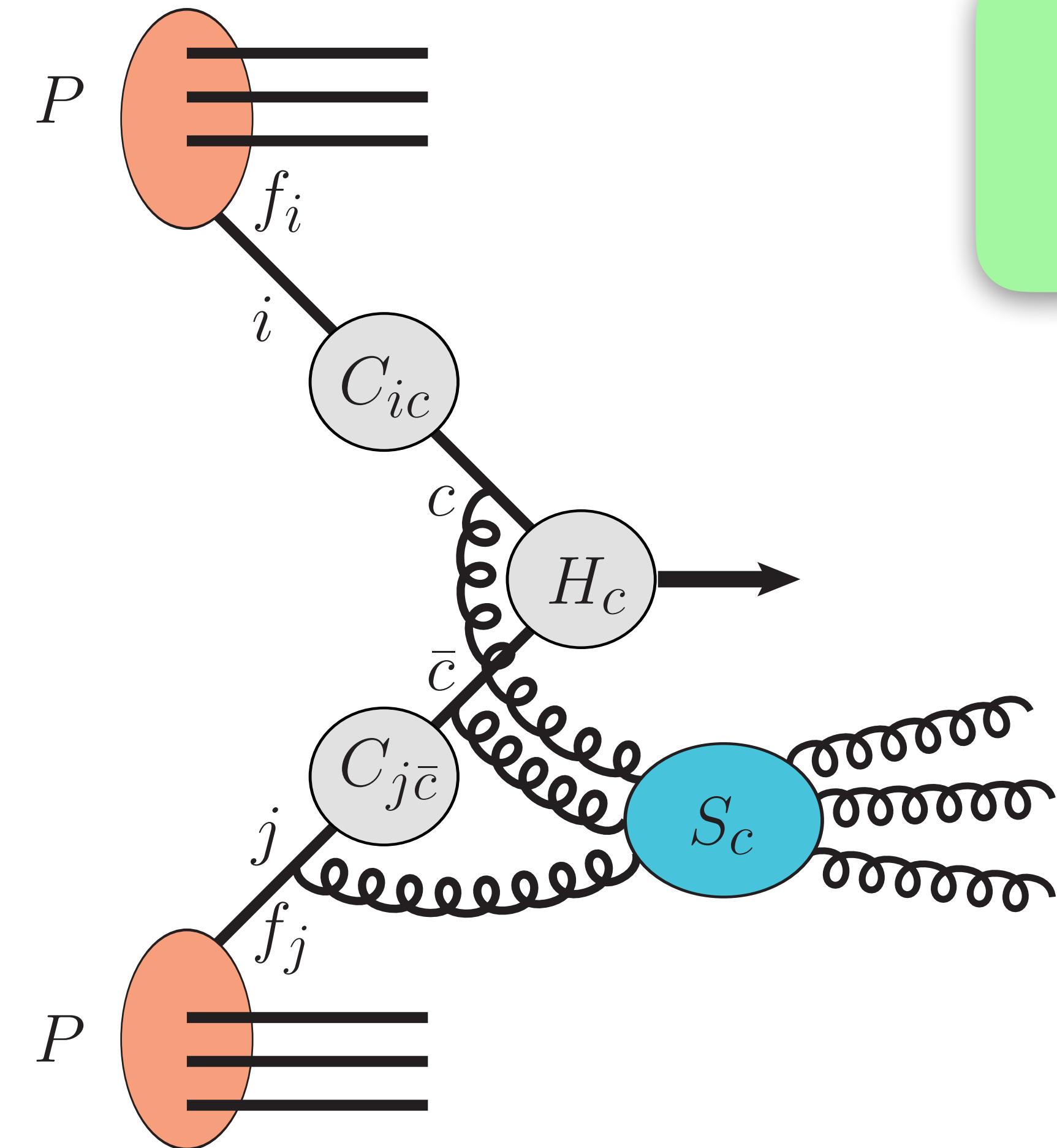
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$$\mathcal{L}_b(Qb/b_0) = \sum_{c,c'} \frac{d|M^F|_{cc'}^2}{d\Phi_F} \sum_{i,j} \left\{ \left(C_{ci}^{[a]} \otimes f_i^{[a]} \right) \bar{H}(Qb/b_0) \left(C_{c'j}^{[b]} \otimes f_j^{[b]} \right) \right\}$$



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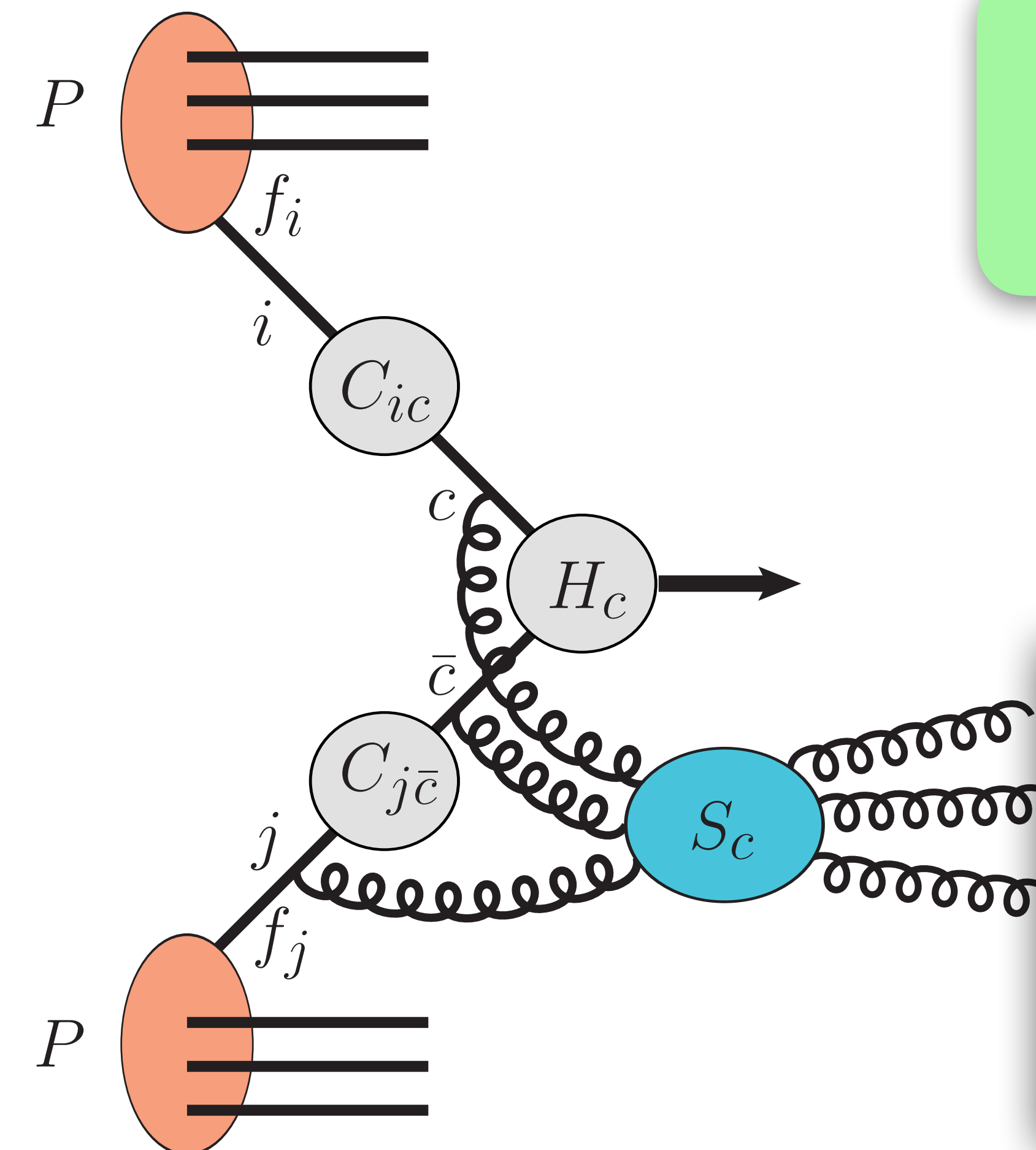
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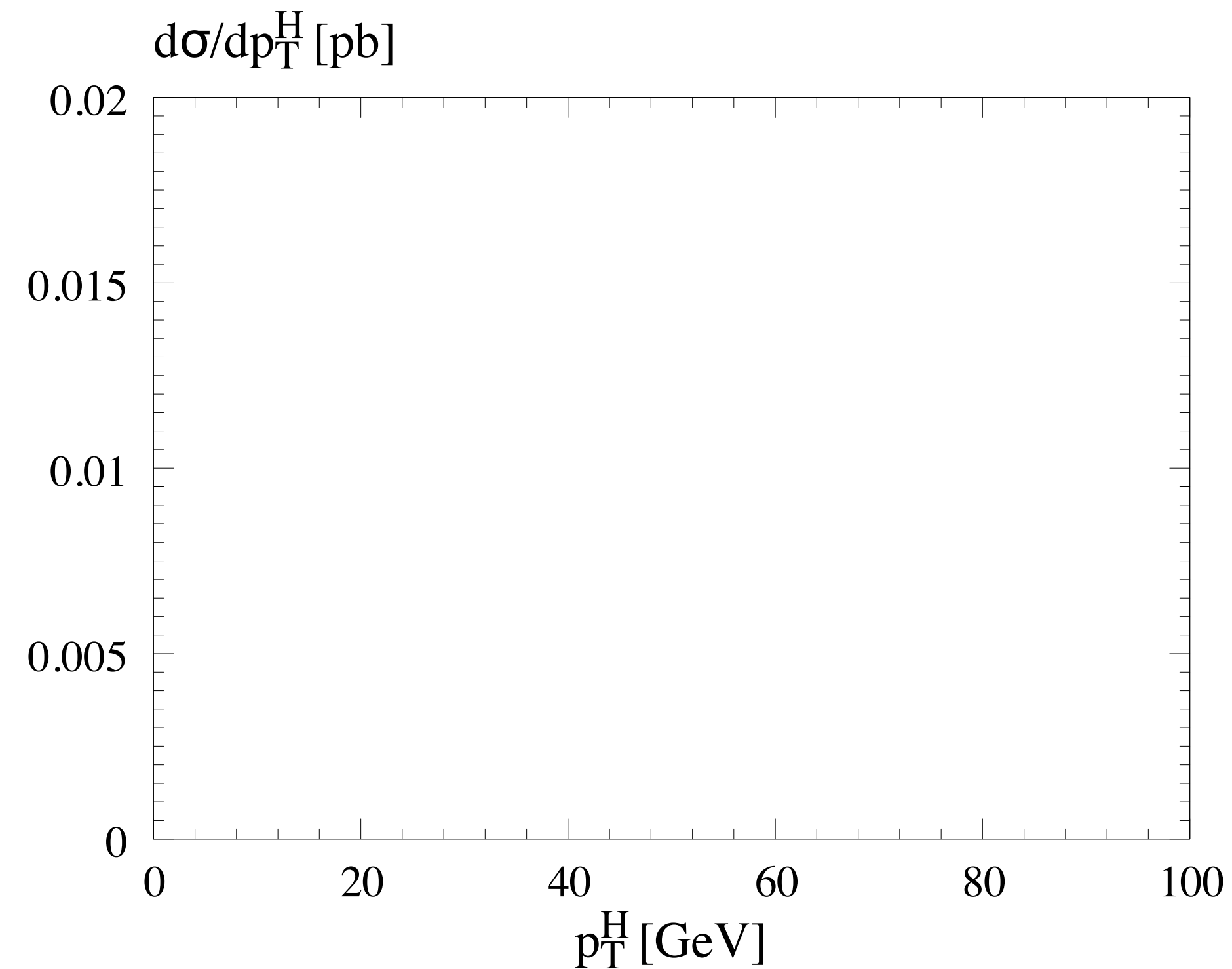
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- ★ developed already 40 years ago
[Parisi, Petronzio '79], [Dokshitzer, Diakonov, Troian '80], [Curci, Greco, Srivastava '79], [Bassetto, Ciafaloni, Marchesini '80], [Kodaira, Trentadue '82], [Collins, Soper, Sterman '85]
- ★ newer formulations and advancement up to NNLL
[Catani, de Florian, Grazzini '01], [Bozzi, Catani, de Florian, Grazzini '06 '07]
- ★ recent reformulation in direct space, conserving momentum & keeping relevant subleading terms in p_T [Monni, Re, Torrielli '16], [Ebert, Tackmann '17]
- ★ Current state-of-the-art: N3LL & partial N4LL
[Matrix+RadISH: Kallweit, Re, Rottoli, MW; CuTe+MCFM: Becher, Campbell, Neumann, et al.; RadISH: Monni, Re, Rottoli, Torrielli; NangaParbat: Bacchetta, Bertone, Bozzi, et al.; Artemide: Scimemi, Vladimirov; DYTurbo: Catani, Grazzini, Ferrera, Cieri, Camarda, et al.; SCETlib: Billis, Ebert, Michel, Tackmann, et al.; reSolve: Coradeschi, Cridge; Resbos: Isaacson, Yuan, et al.;

(several seminal works in SCET not discussed here)

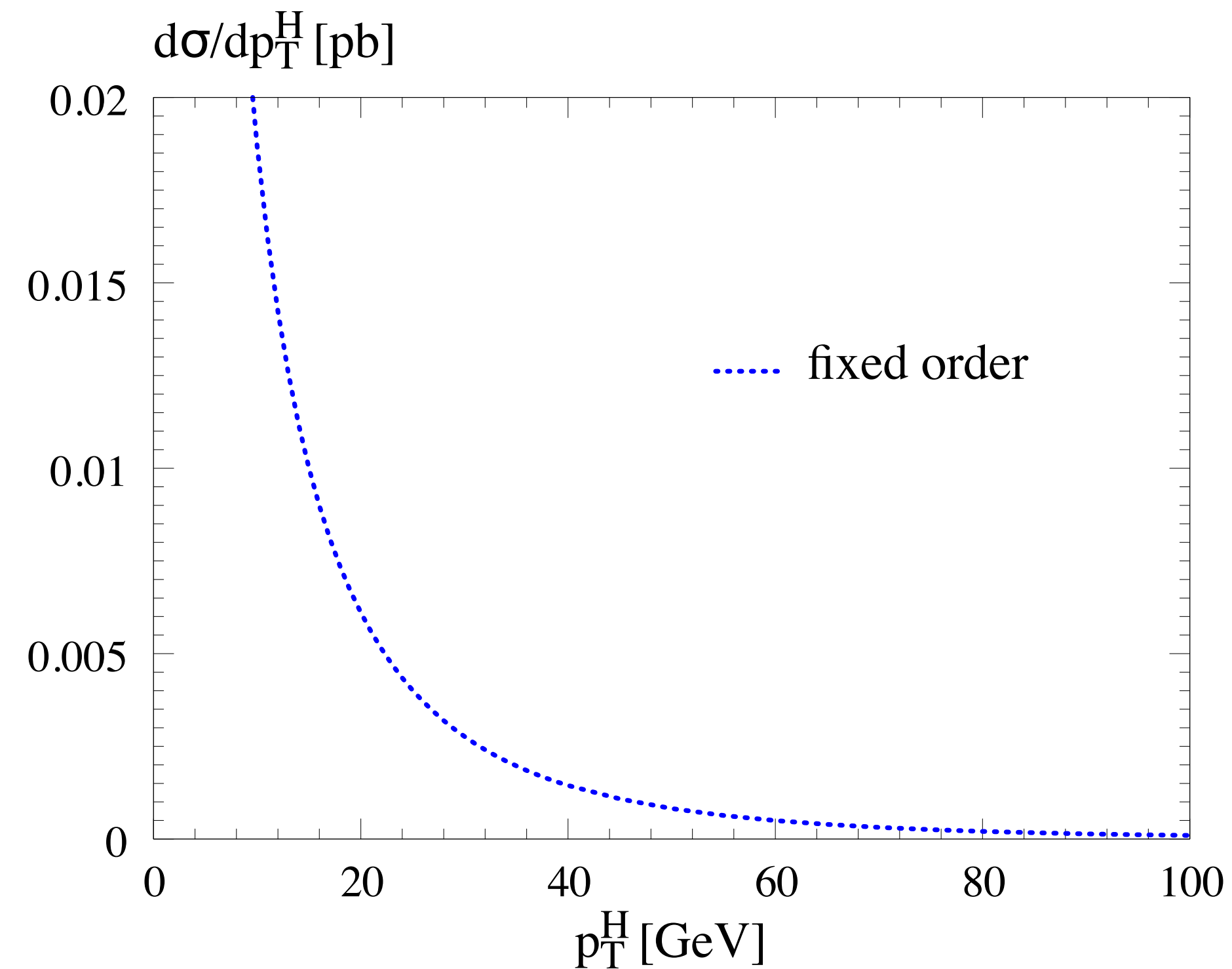
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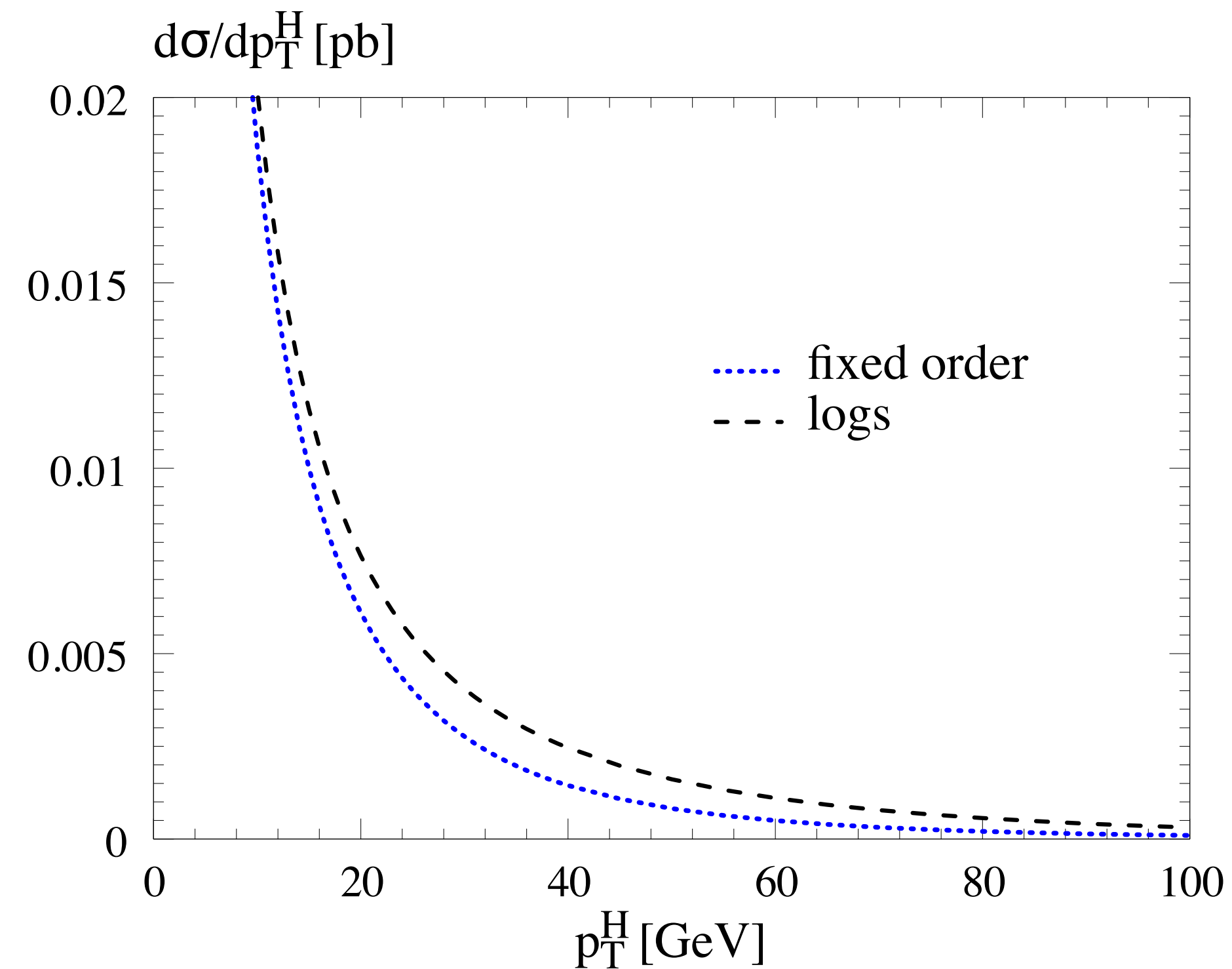
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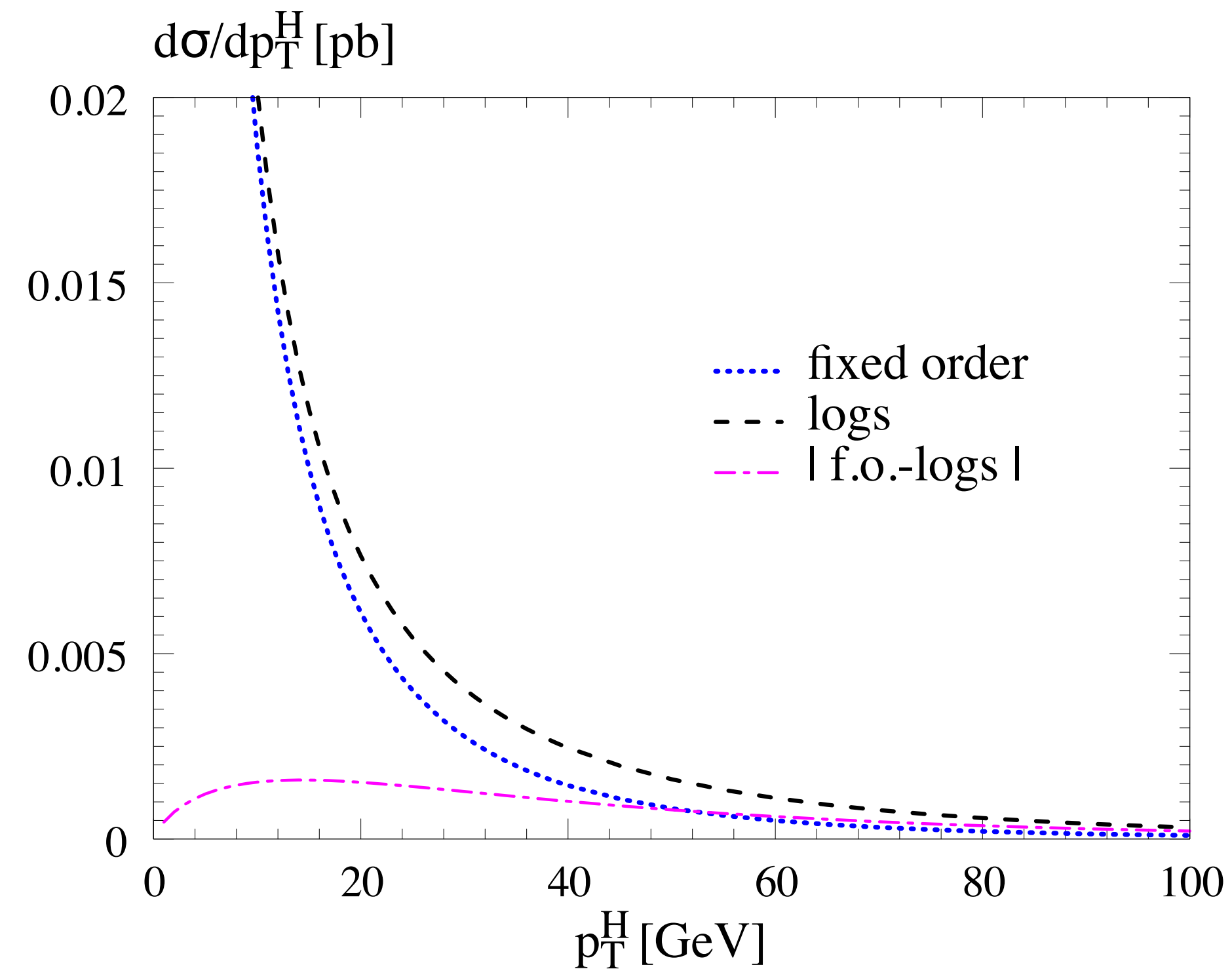
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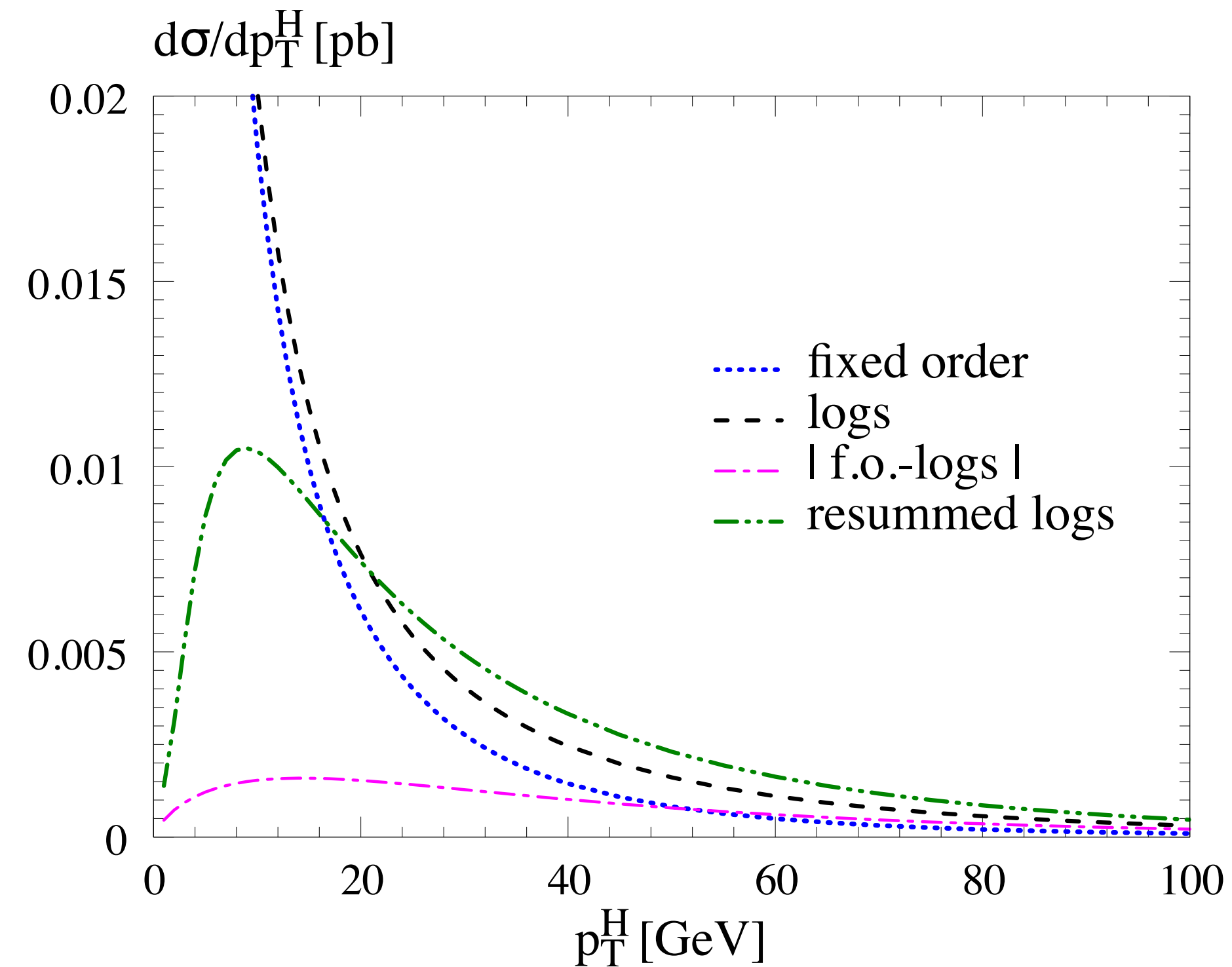
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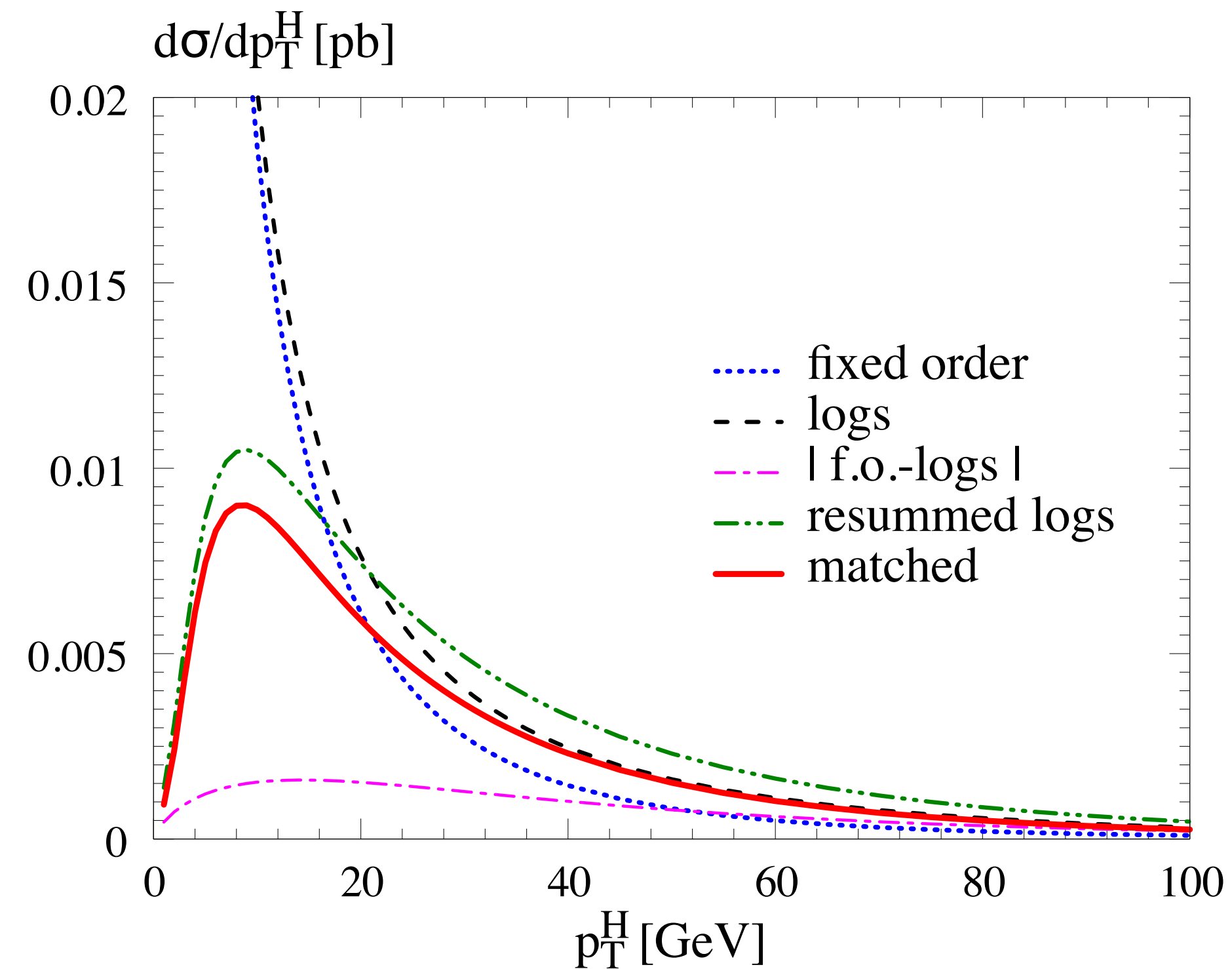
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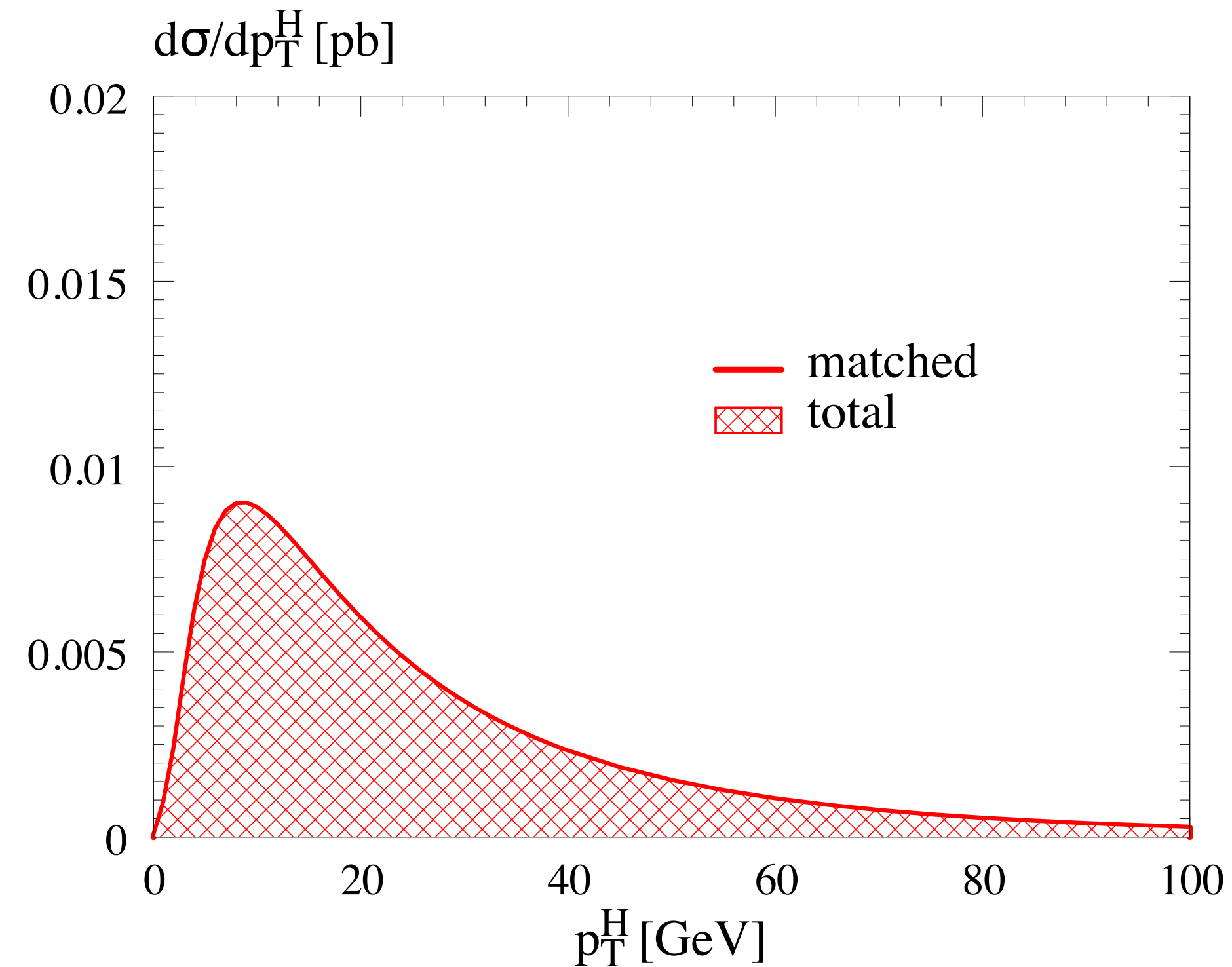
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$$\int dp_T^2 \left[\frac{d\sigma}{dp_T^2} \right]_{\text{f.o.}+\text{l.a.}} \equiv \left[\sigma^{(\text{tot})} \right]_{\text{f.o.}}$$

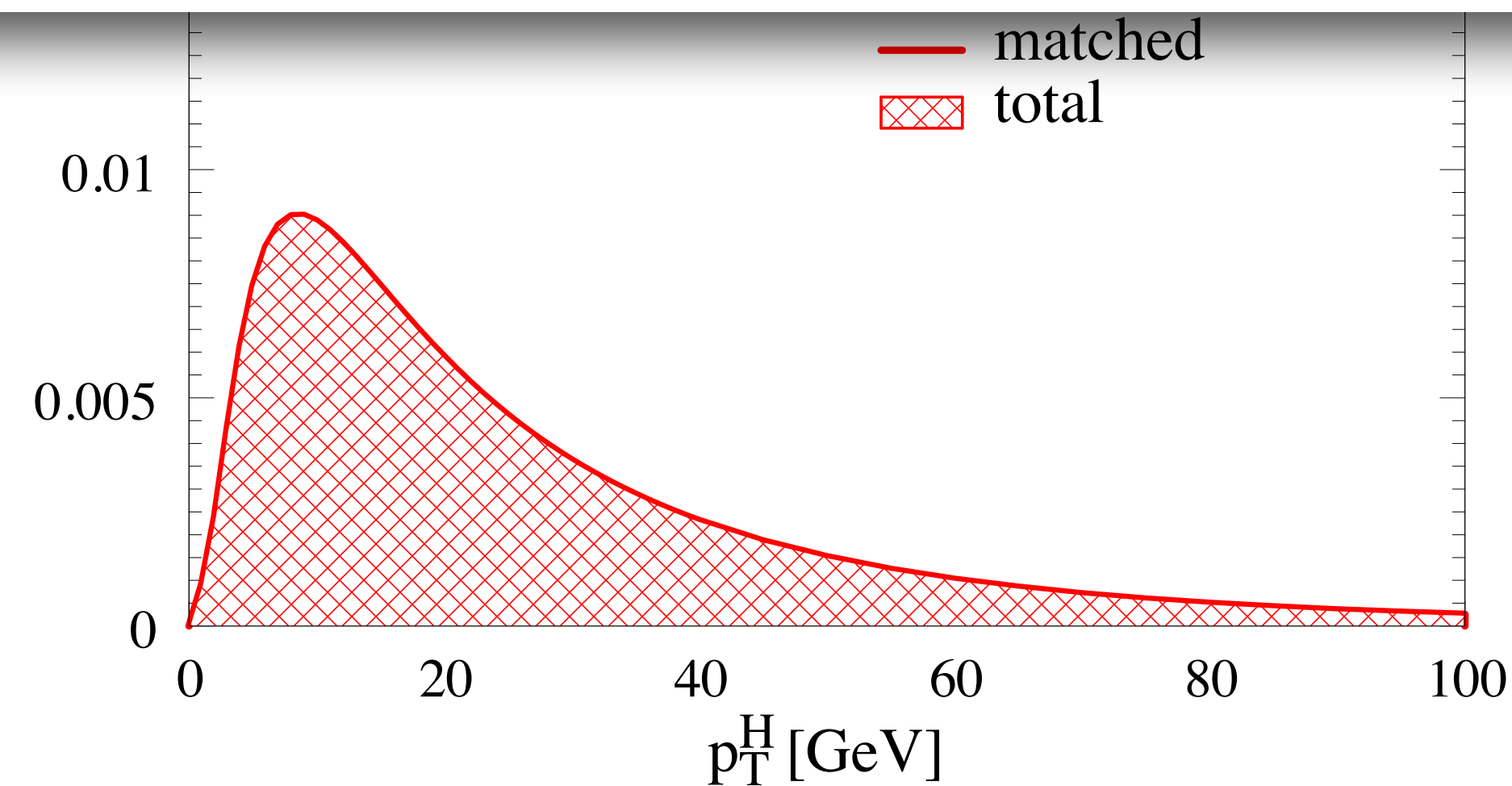


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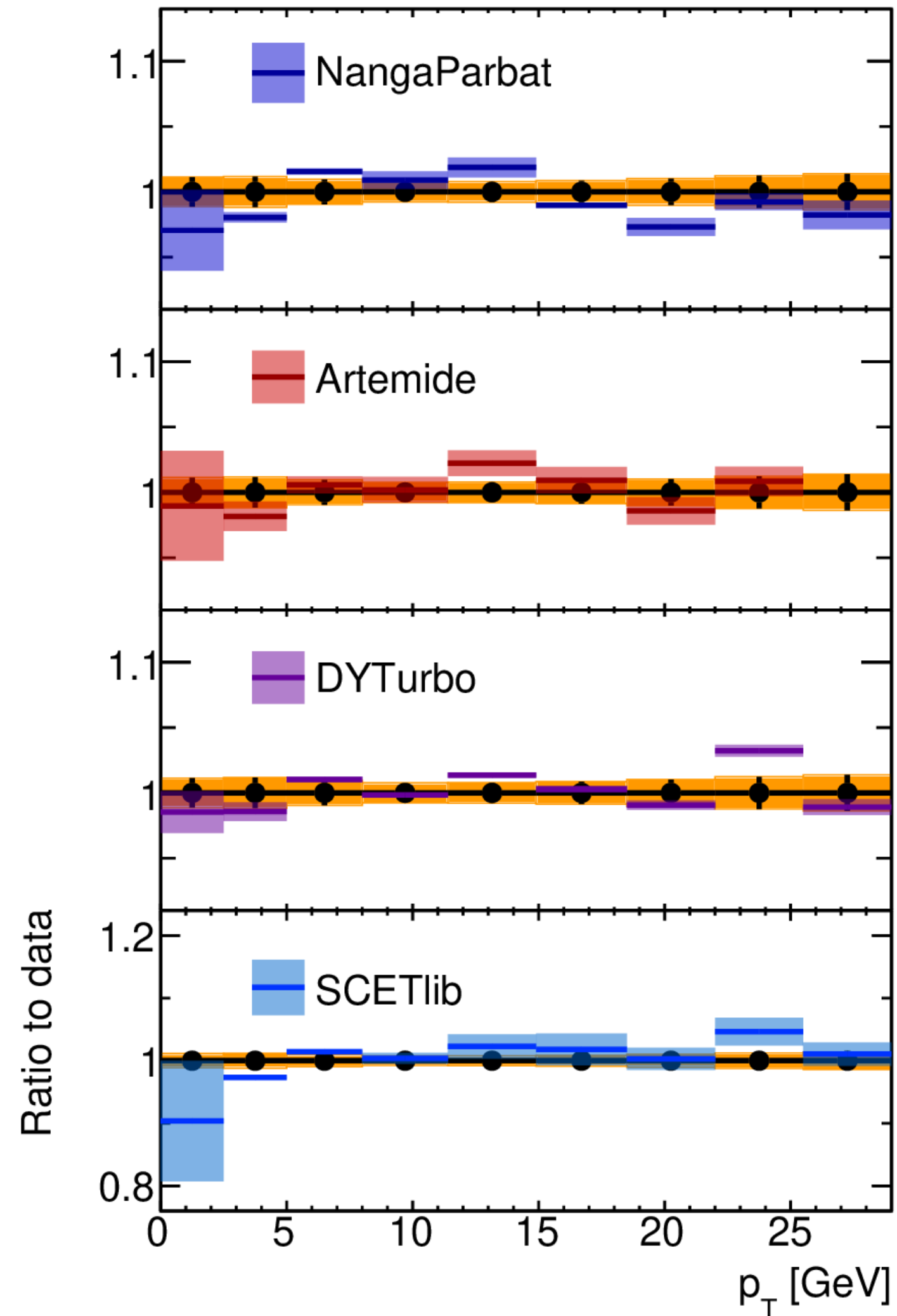
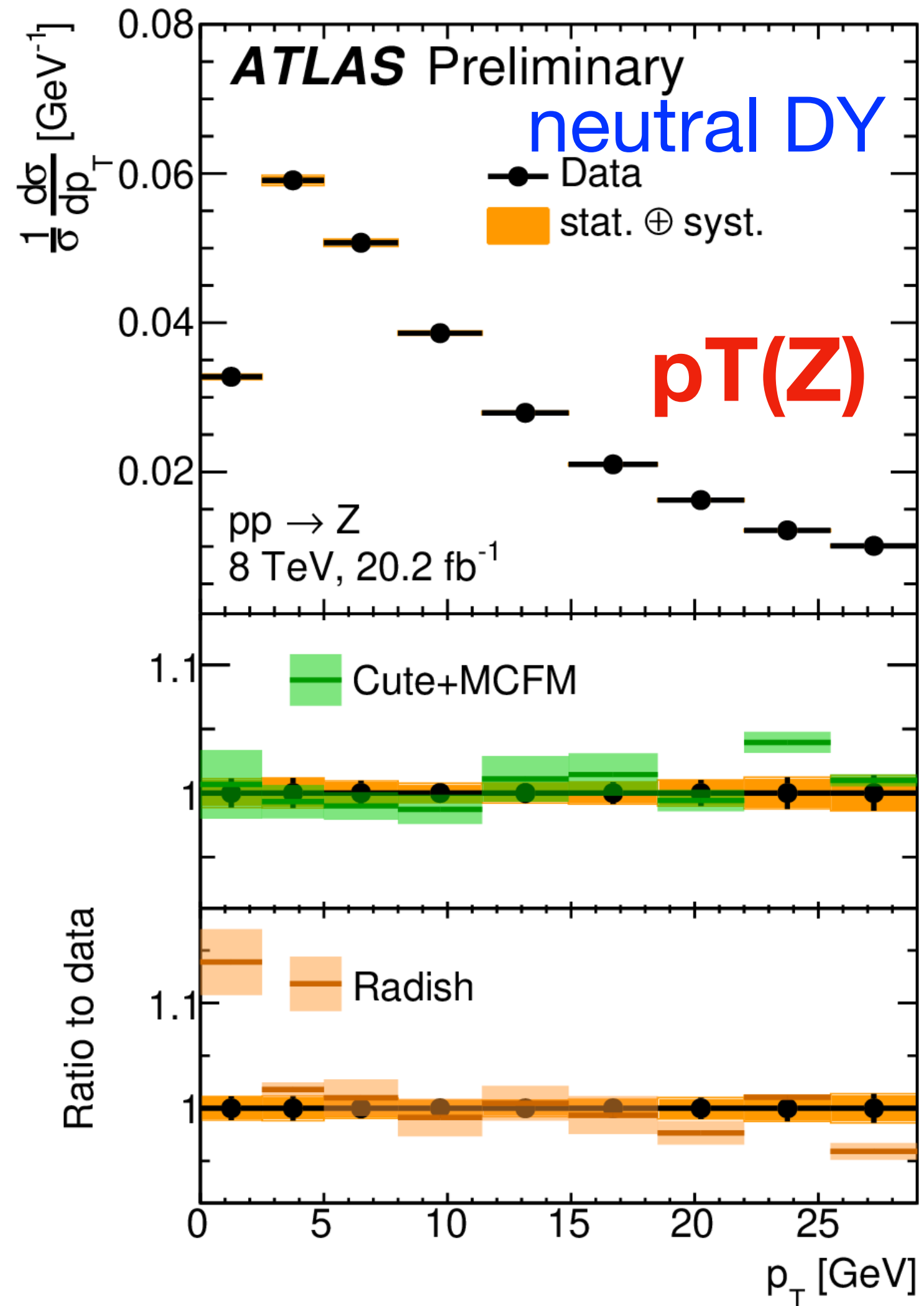
$d\sigma/dp_T^H$ [pb]

Resummed computations, properly matched to fixed order, are able to provide the most accurate predictions for specific observables



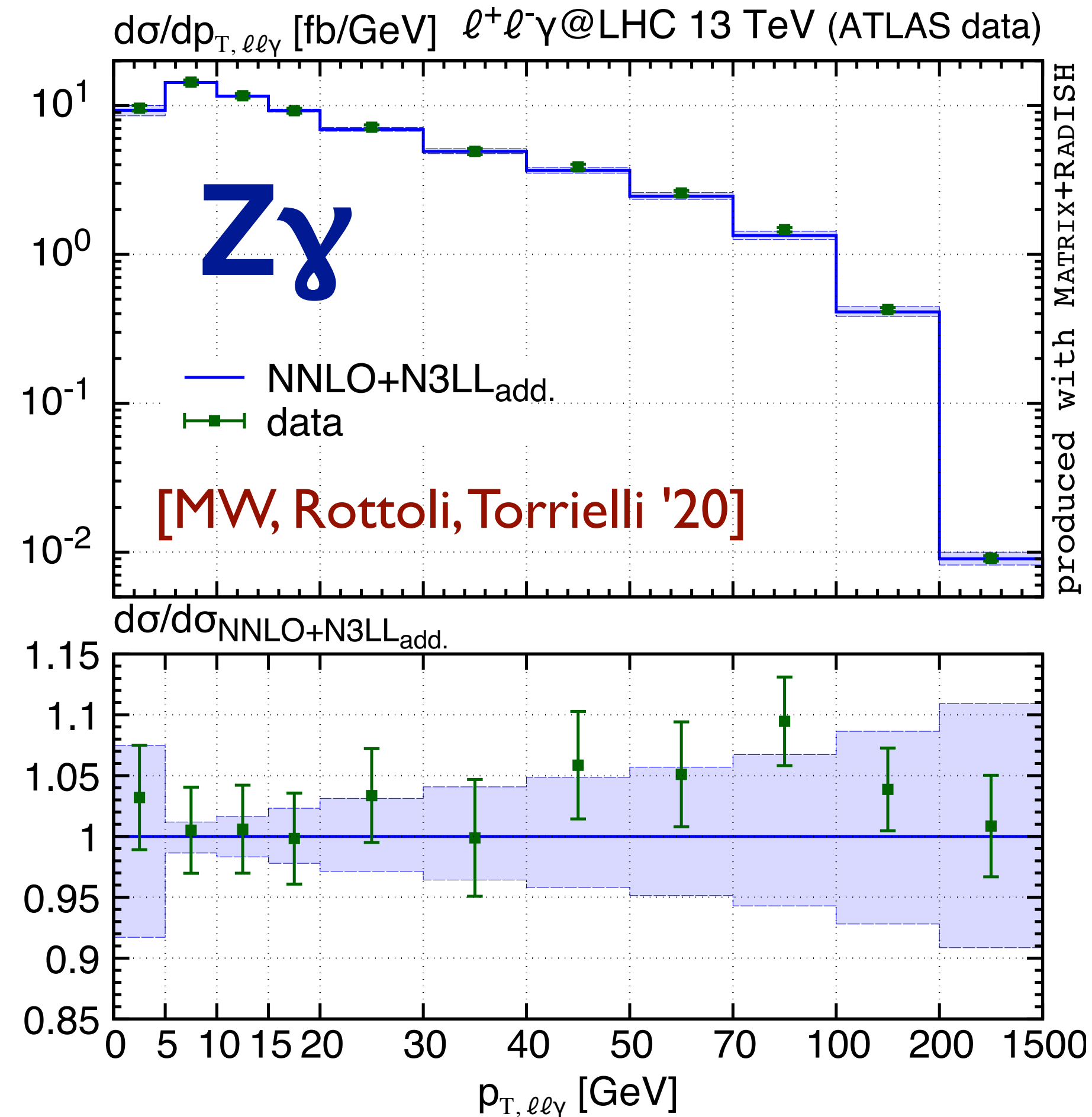
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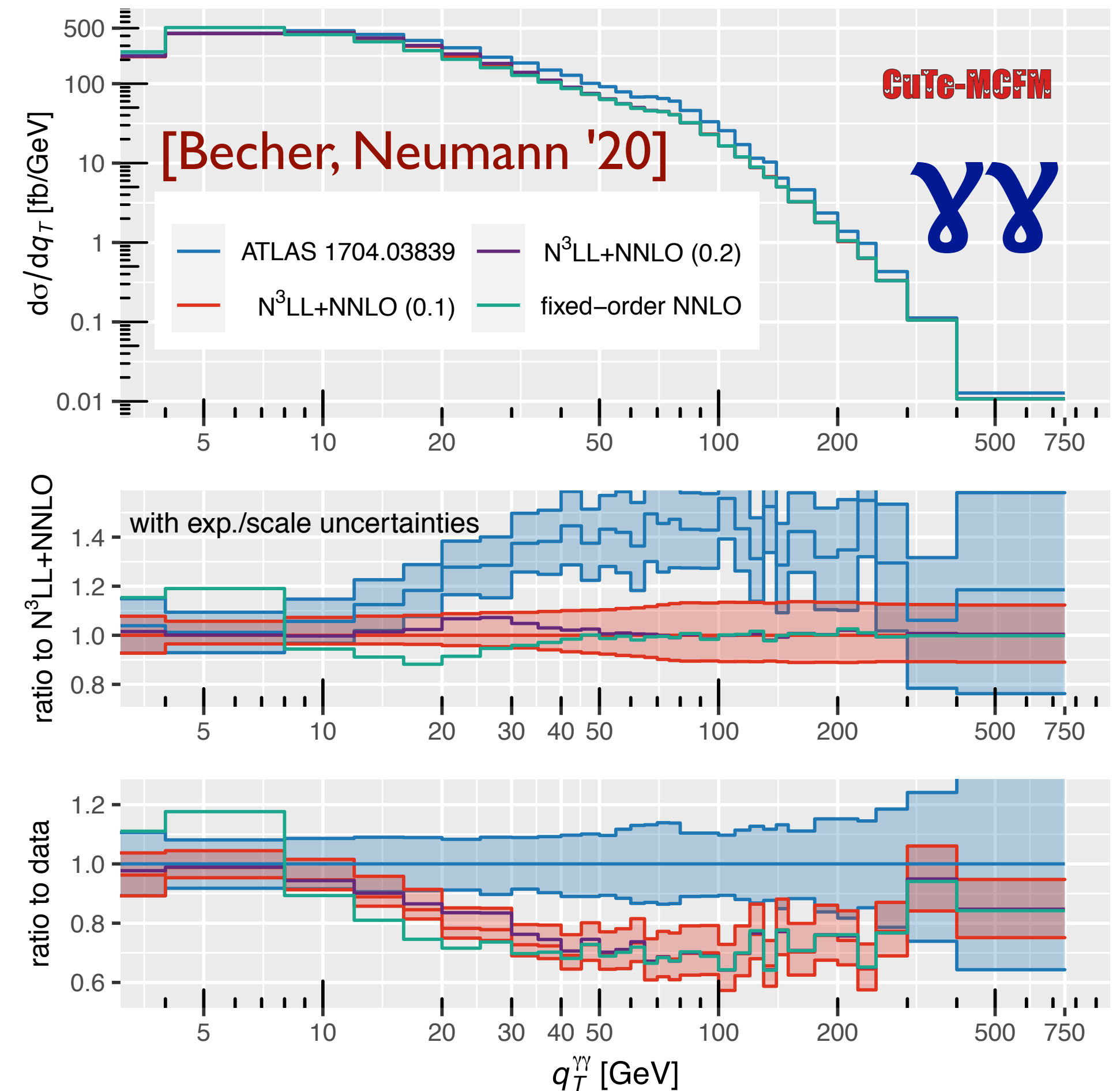


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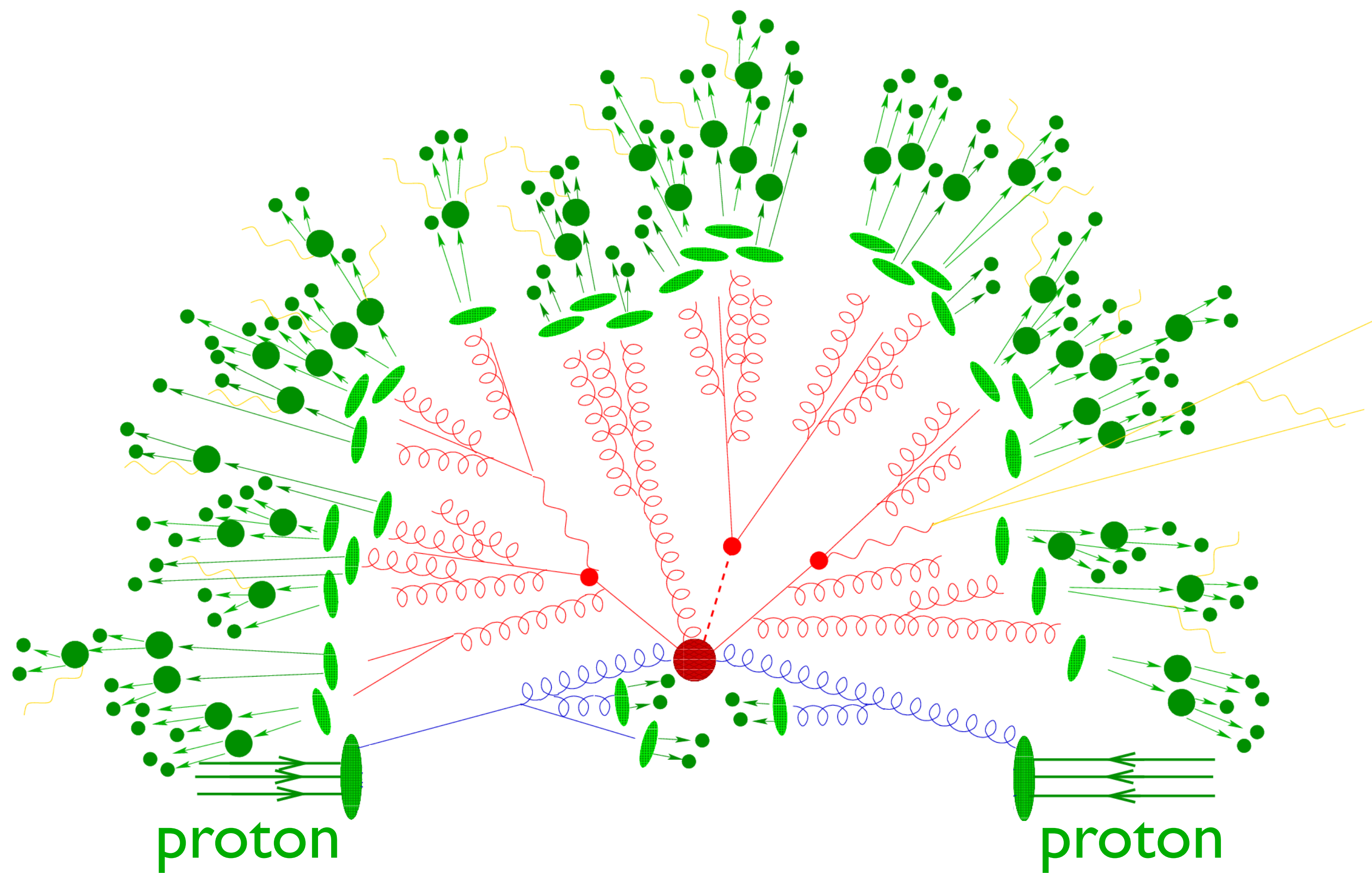
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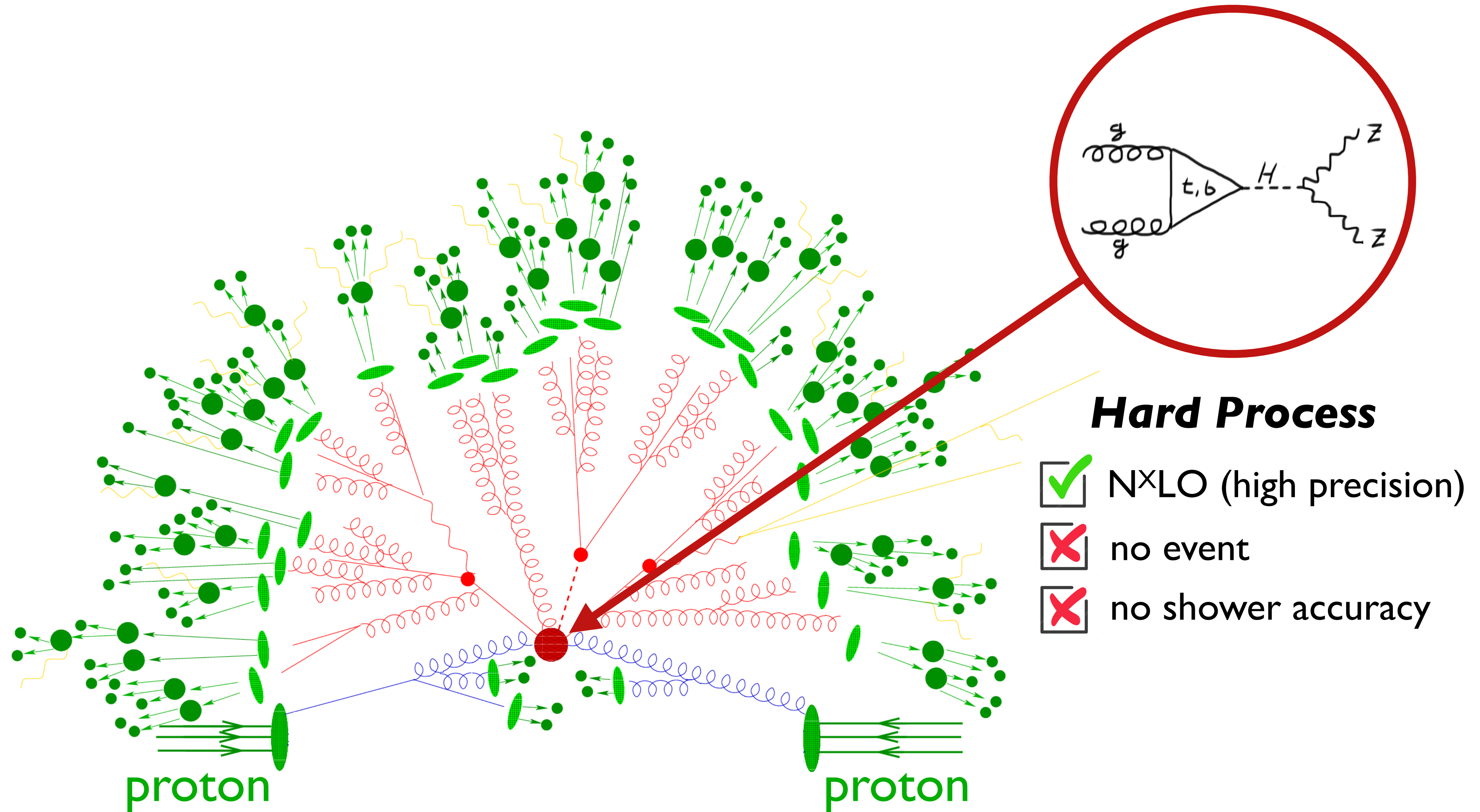
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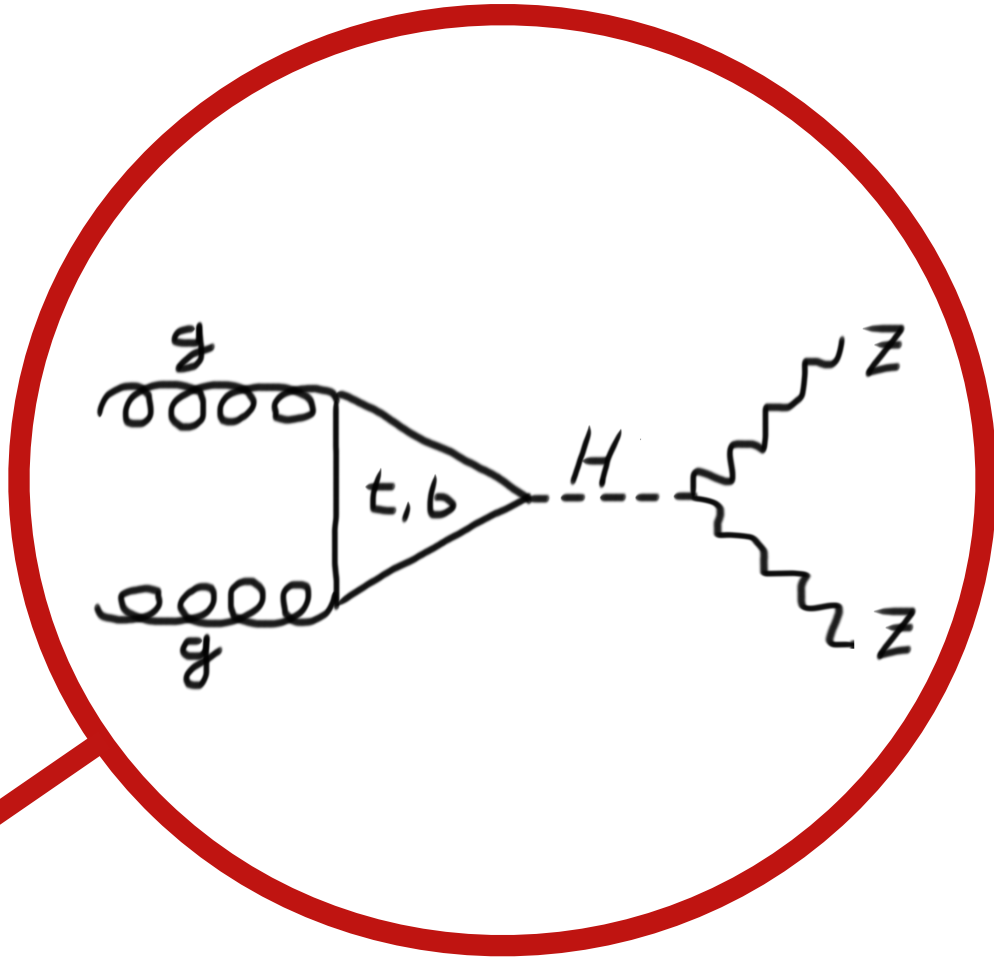
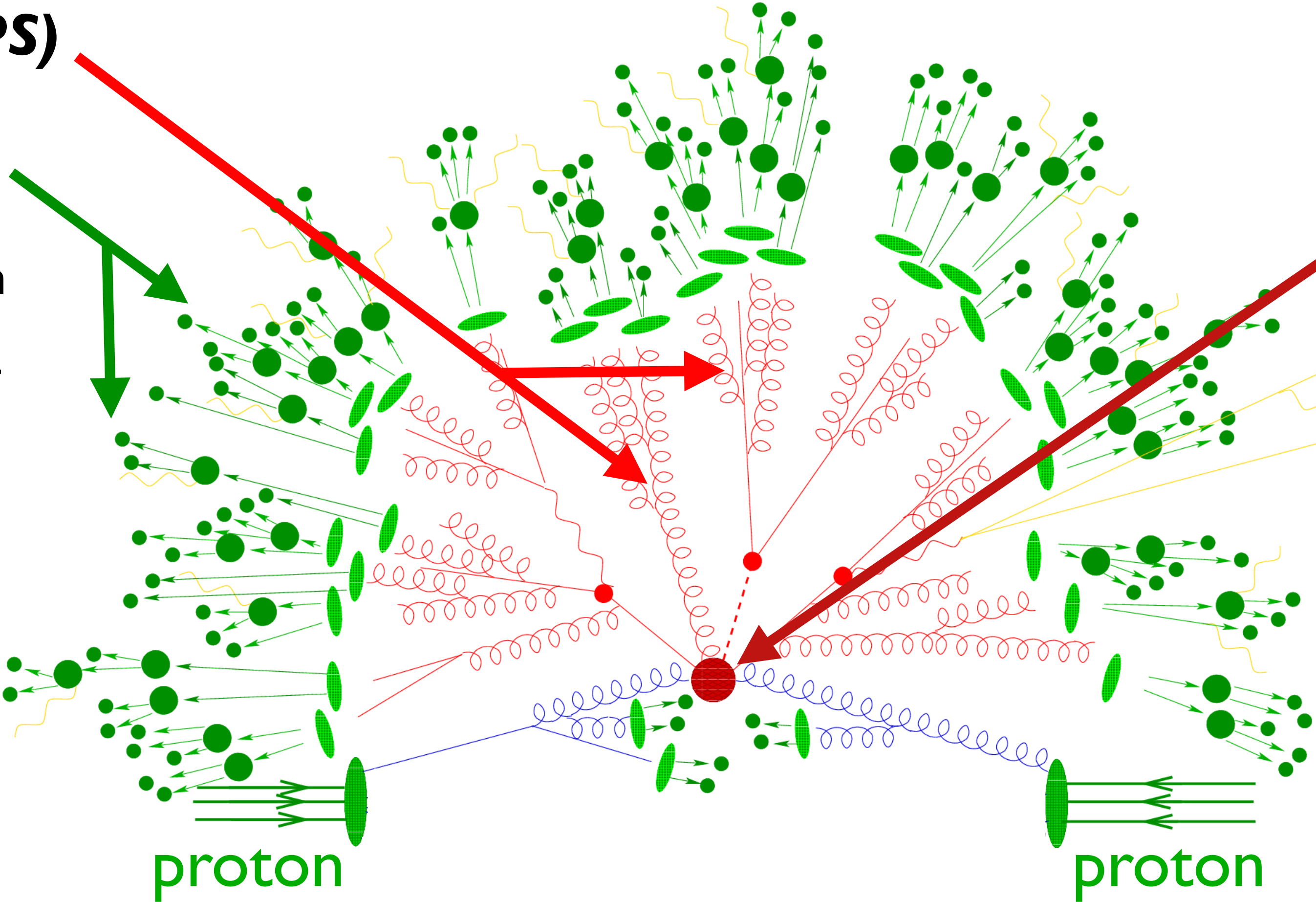
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Parton Shower (PS)
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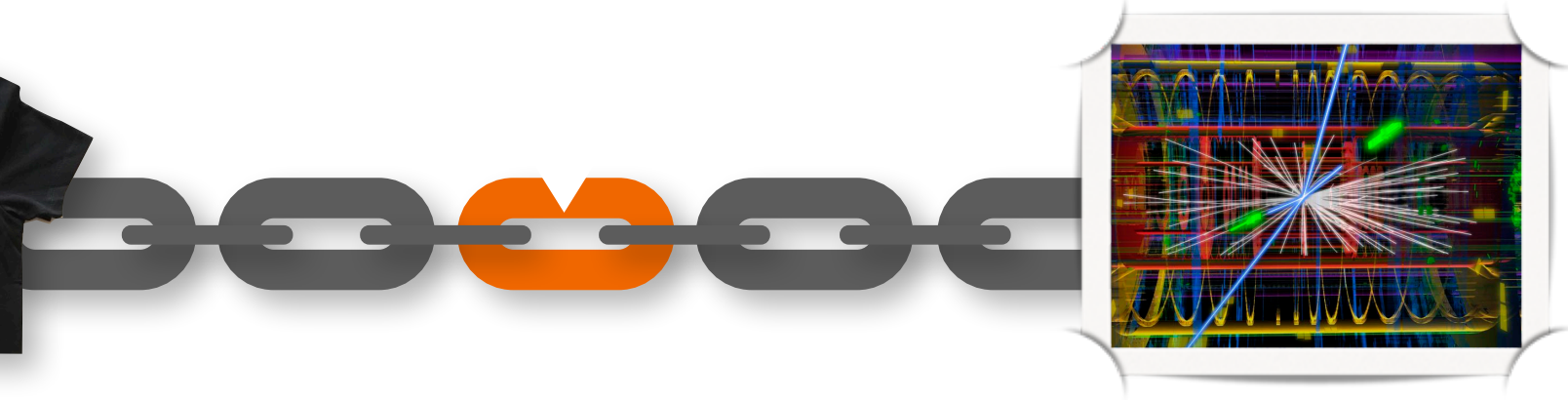
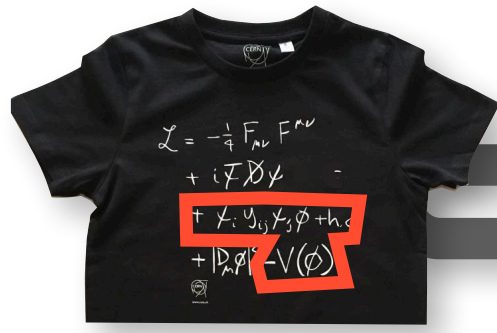
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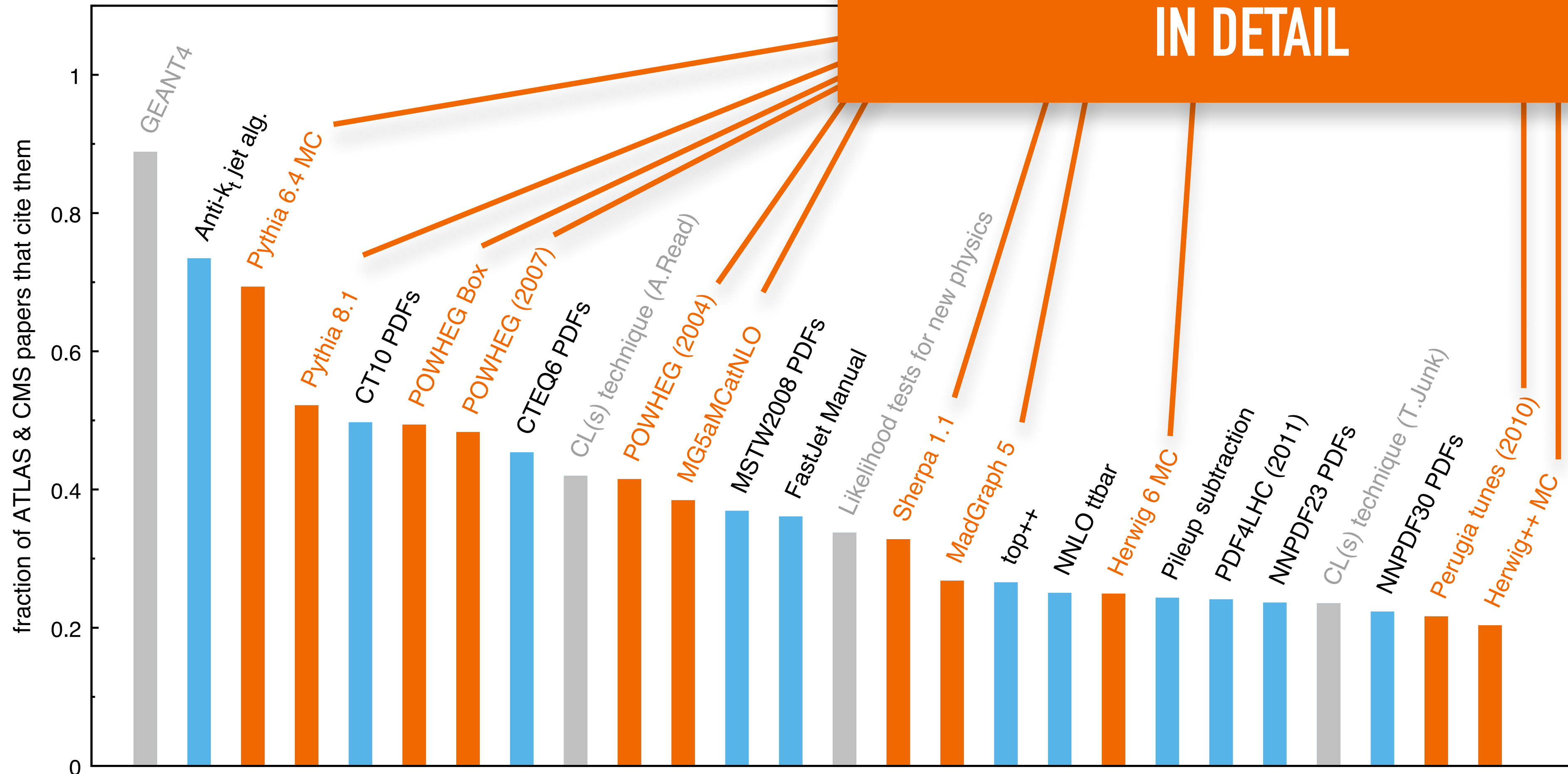
Hard Process

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Parton Shower Event Generators



predicting what
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IN DETAIL



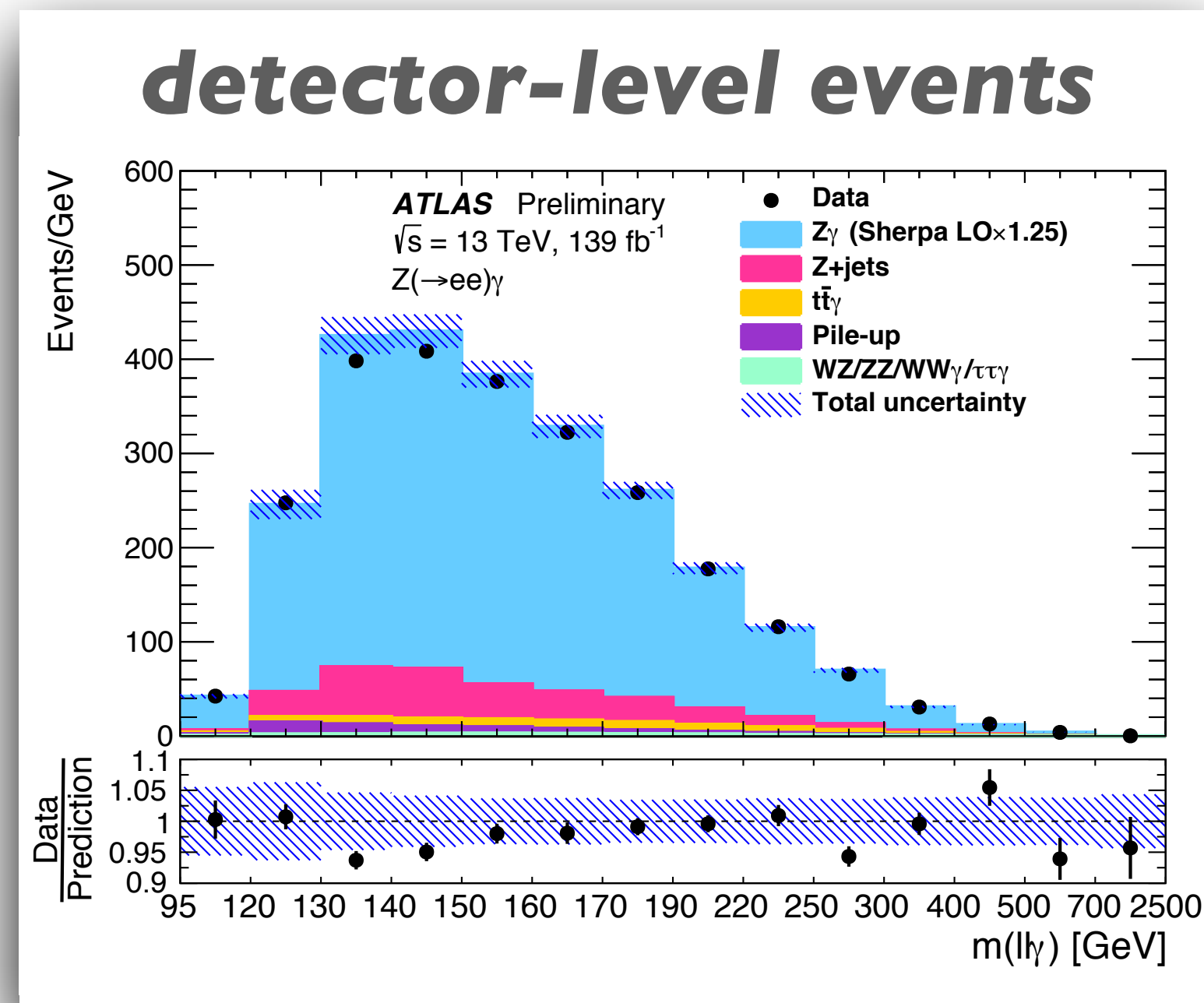
Plot by GP Salam based on data from InspireHEP

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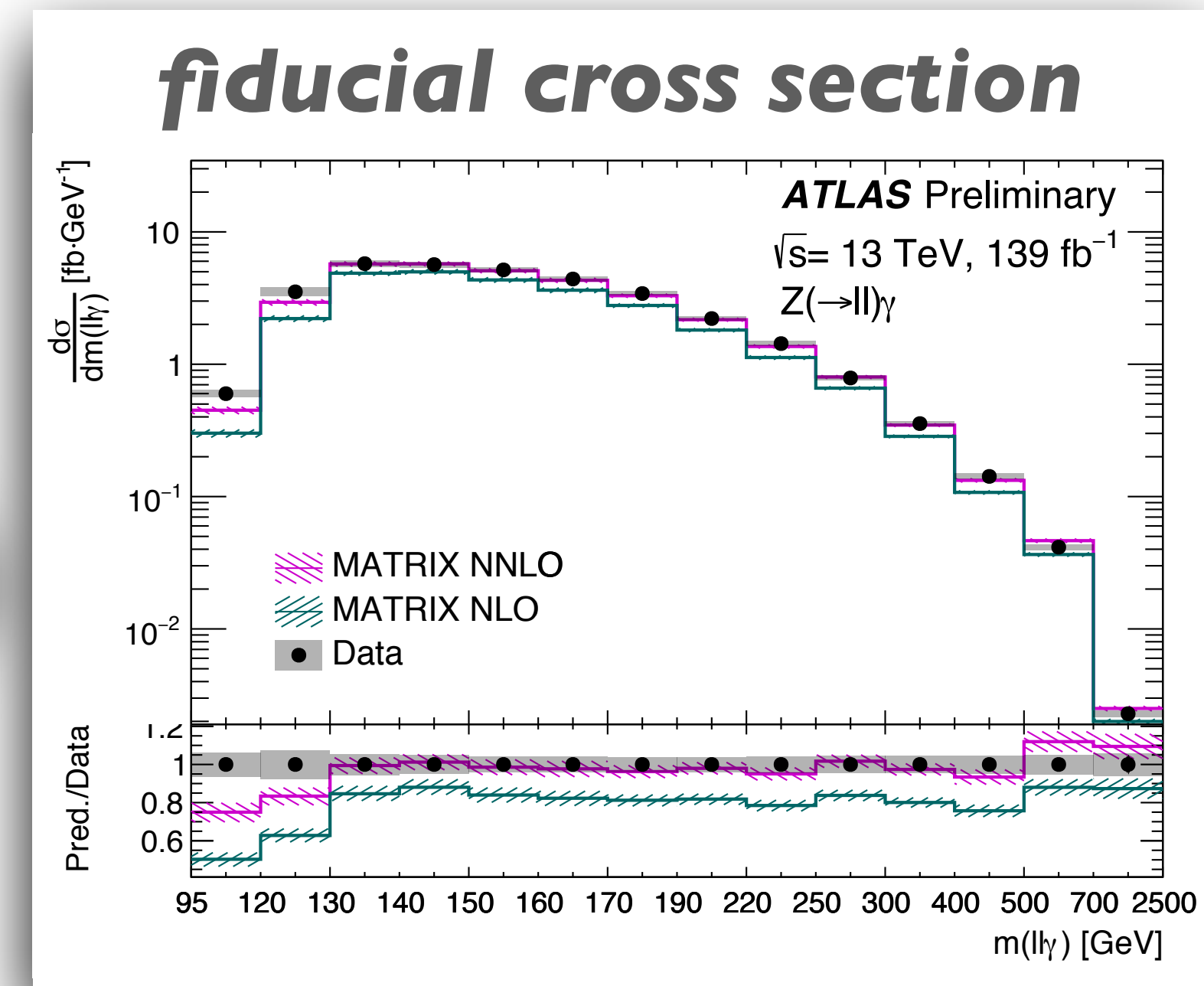
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**unfolding
 (MC+detector
 simulation)**



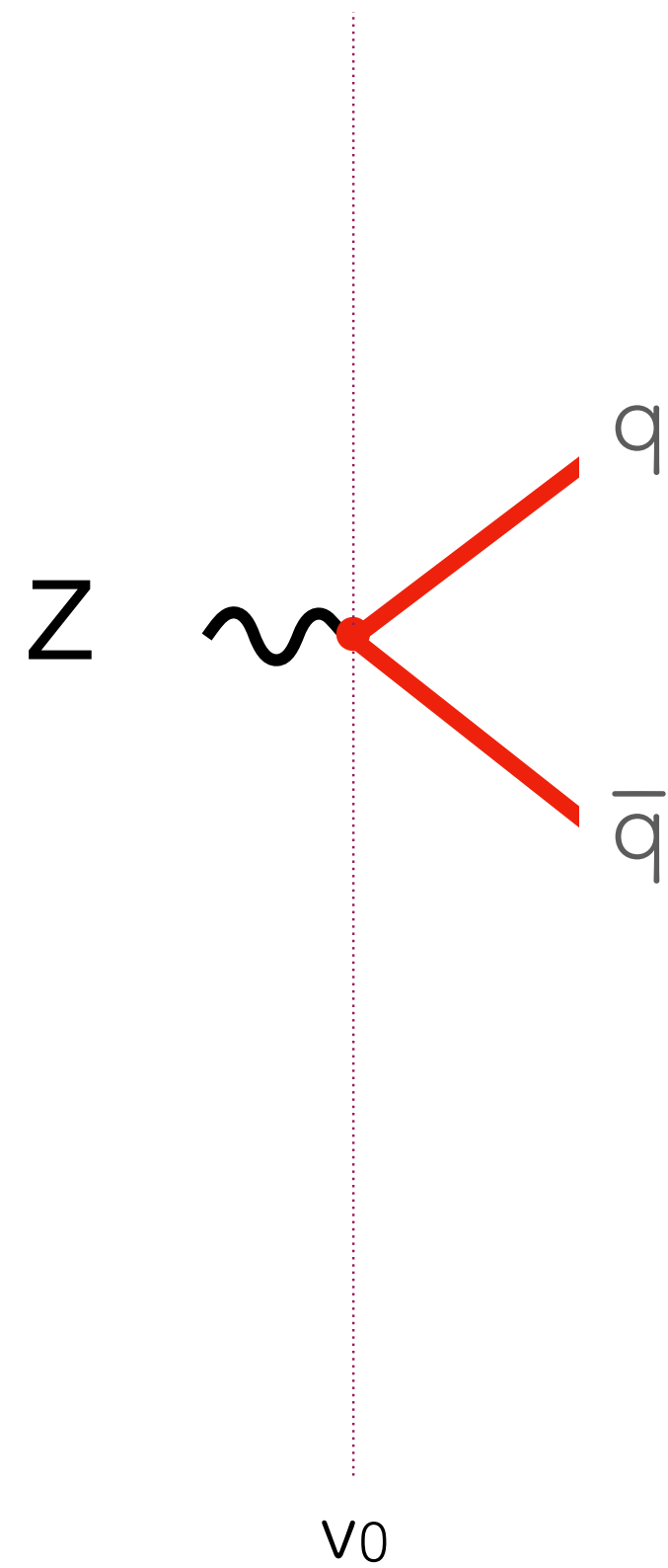
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- ★ new approaches evolving to improve logarithmic accuracy of parton showers:
[Forshaw, Holguin, Plätzer '20] [Nagy, Soper '19] [Dasgupta, et al. '20; Hamilton, et al. '20; Karlberg, et al. '21, ...], [Höche et al. '22 '24]

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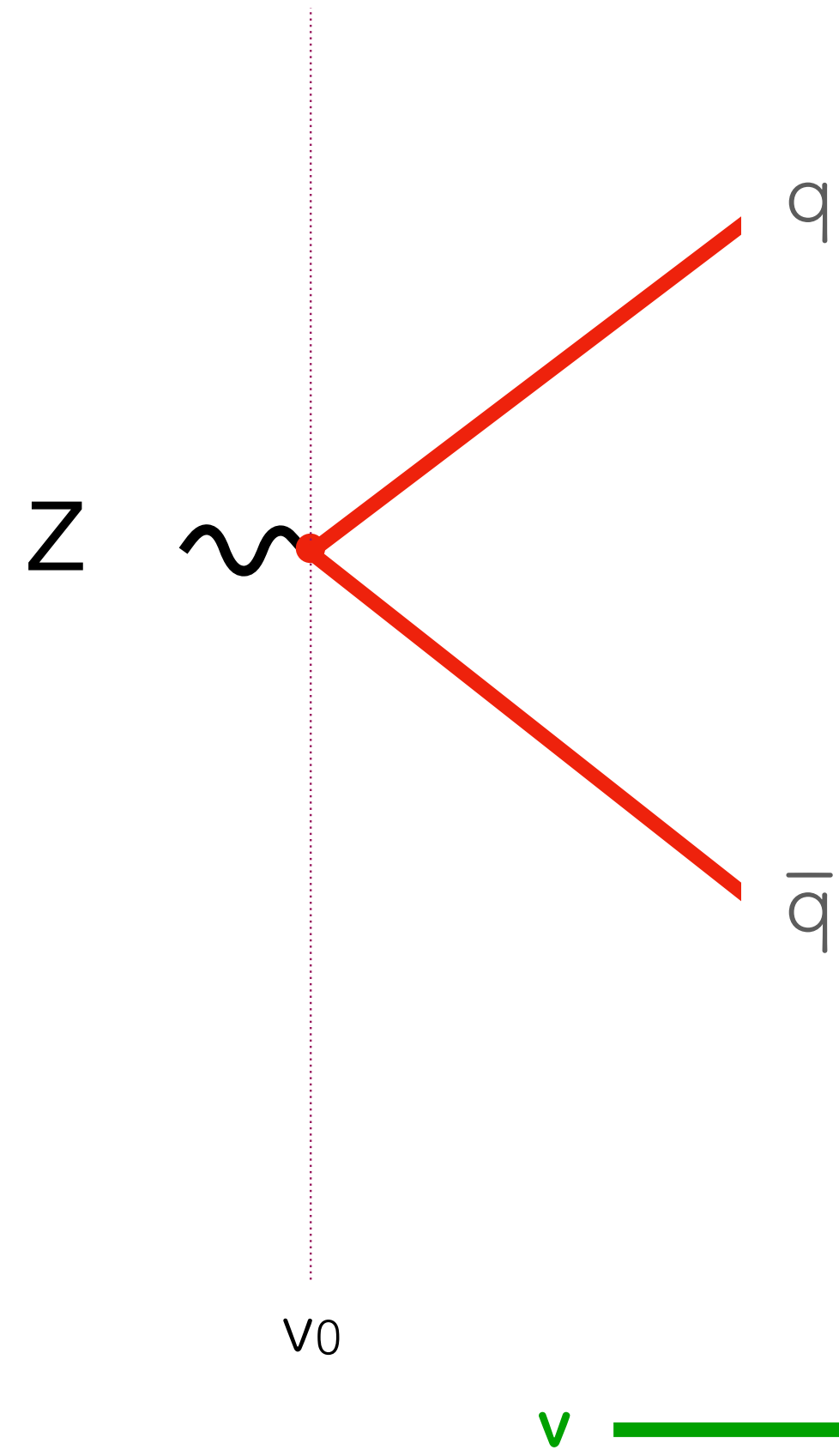
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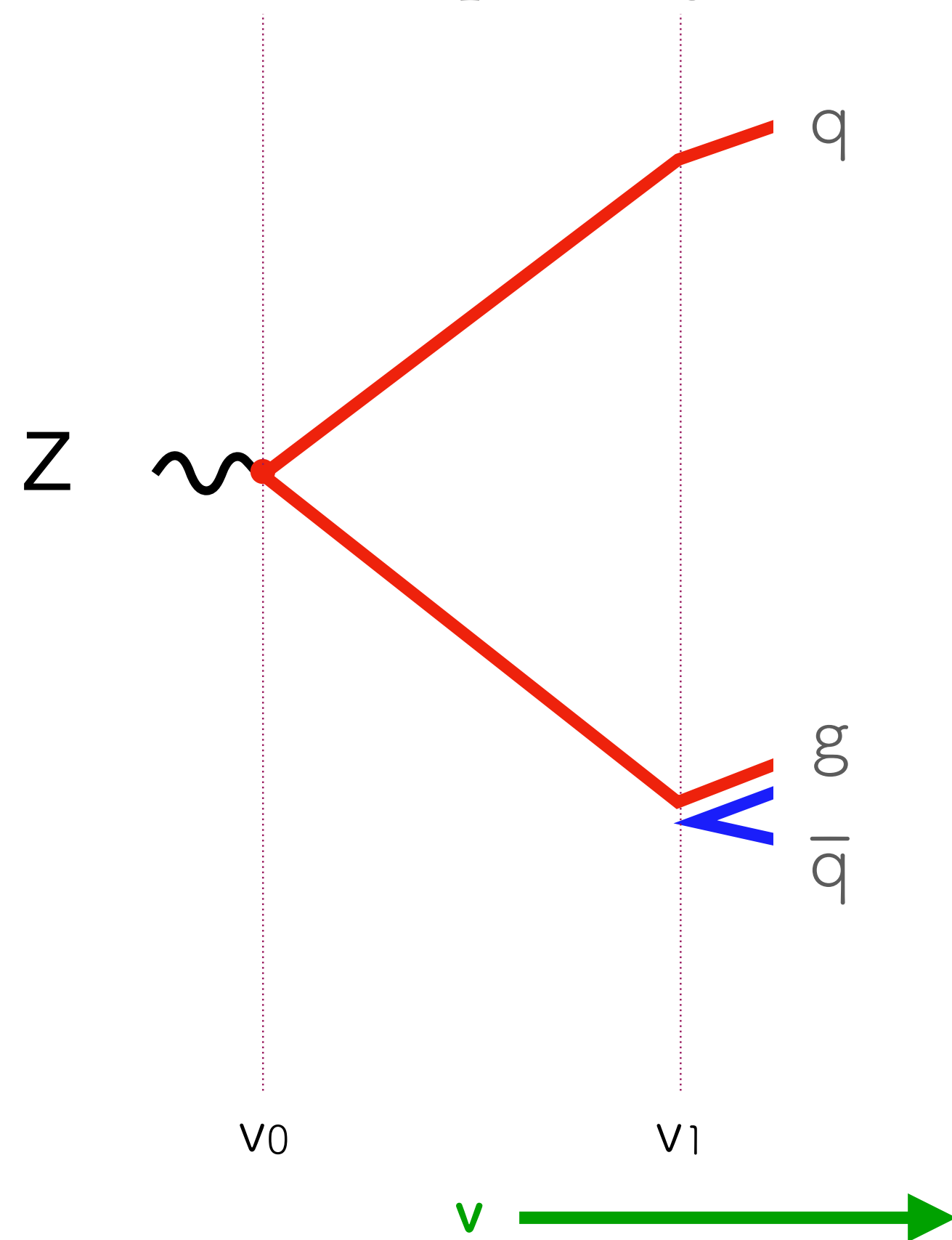
$$\Delta(v_0, v) = \exp \left(- \int_v^{v_0} dP_{q\bar{q}}(\Phi) \right)$$

no-emission probability between the v_0 and v

$$\text{Solve for scale } v_1: \quad \Delta(v_0, v_1) \equiv n_{\text{random}}$$

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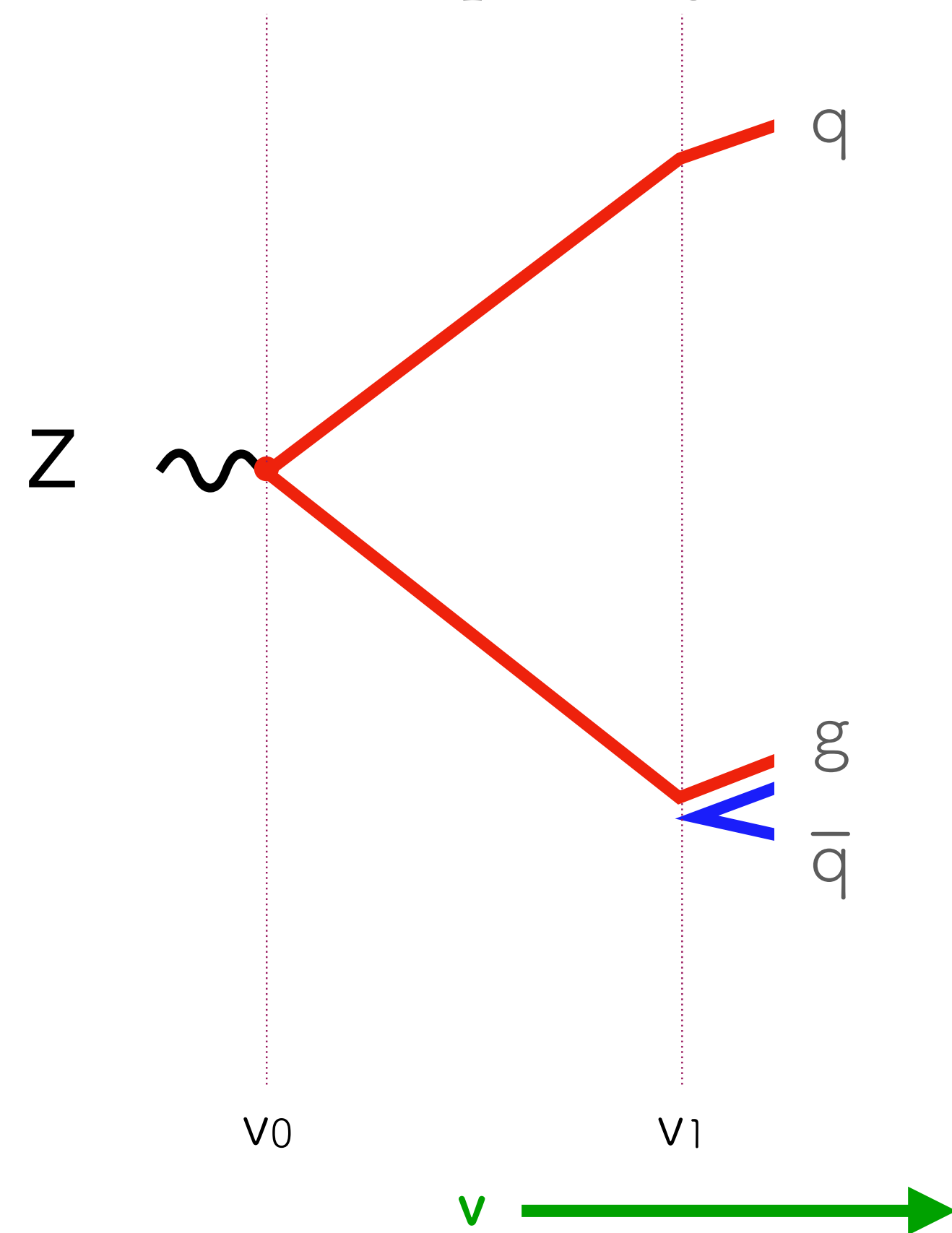
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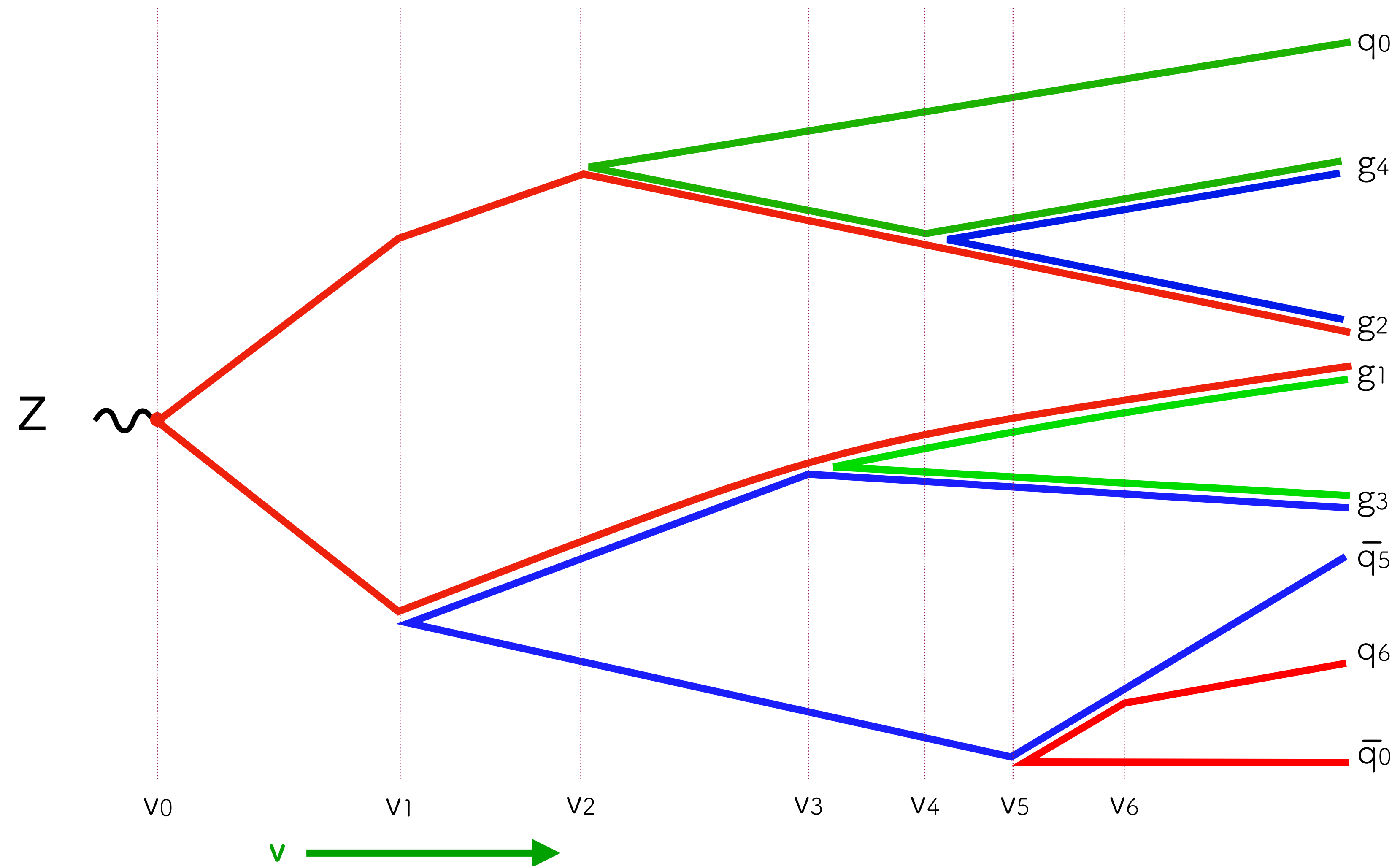
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The gluon is part of two dipoles (qg), ($g\bar{q}$).

Iterate the above procedure for both dipoles independently, using ν_1 as starting scale.

Parton Showers in a nutshell



self-similar
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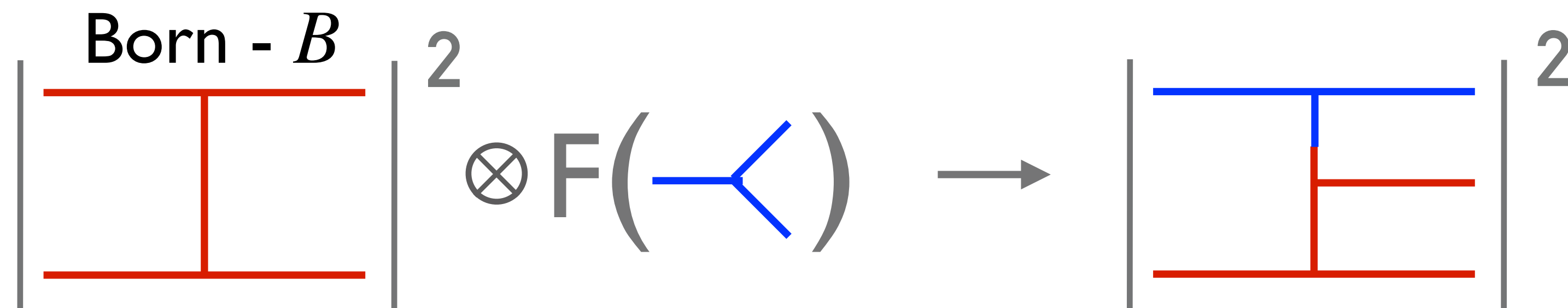
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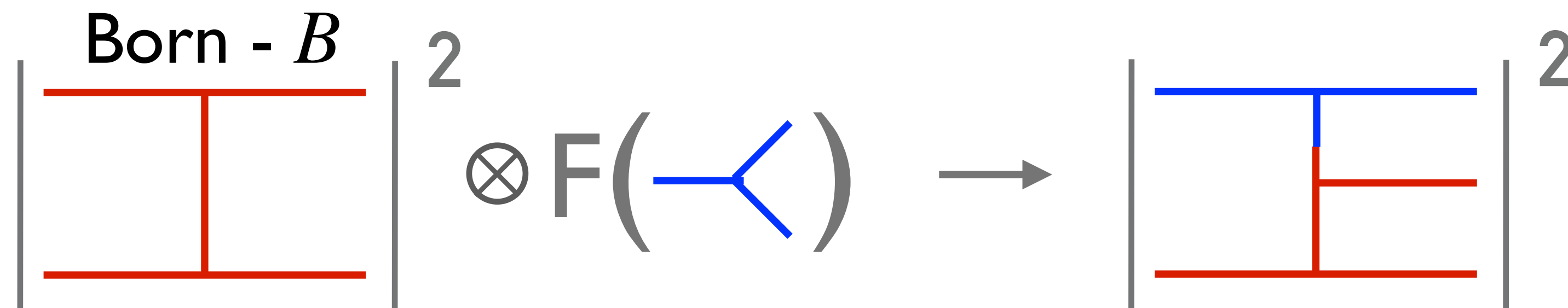
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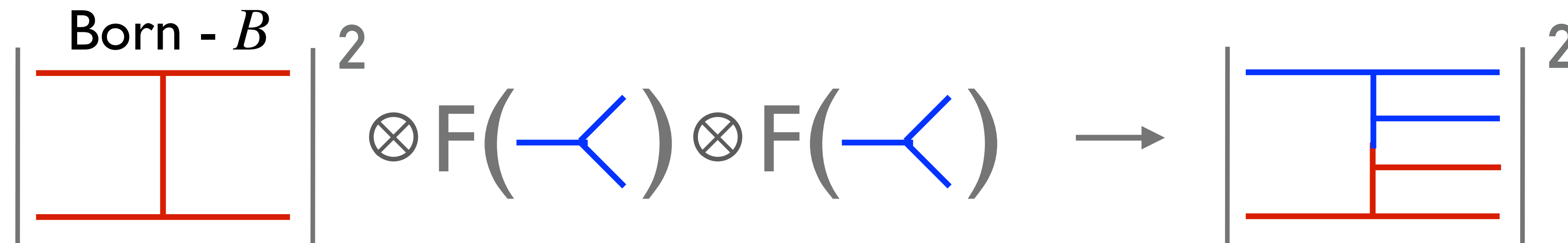
integrates to unity \rightarrow "unitarity" of parton shower
 (parton shower affects kinematics, not inclusive cross section)



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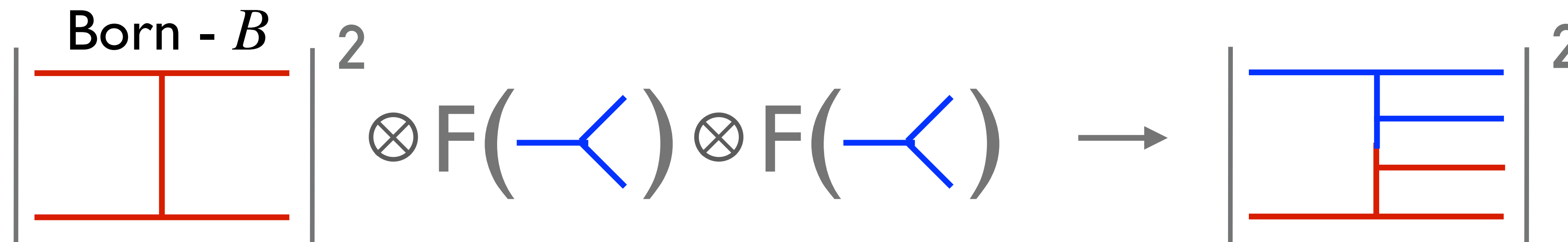
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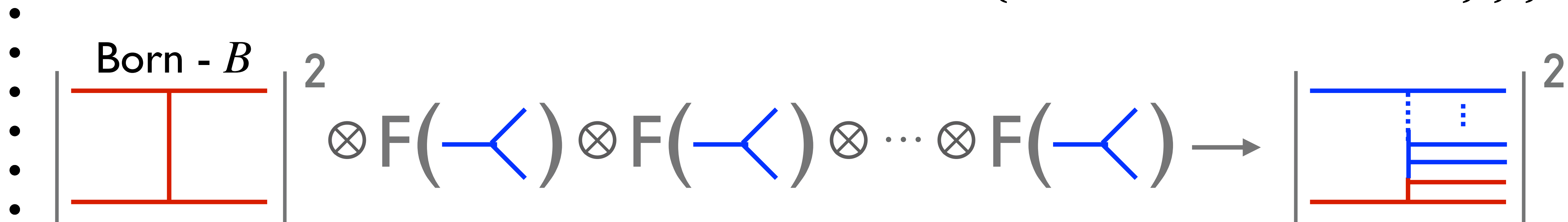


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Hadronization & underlying event

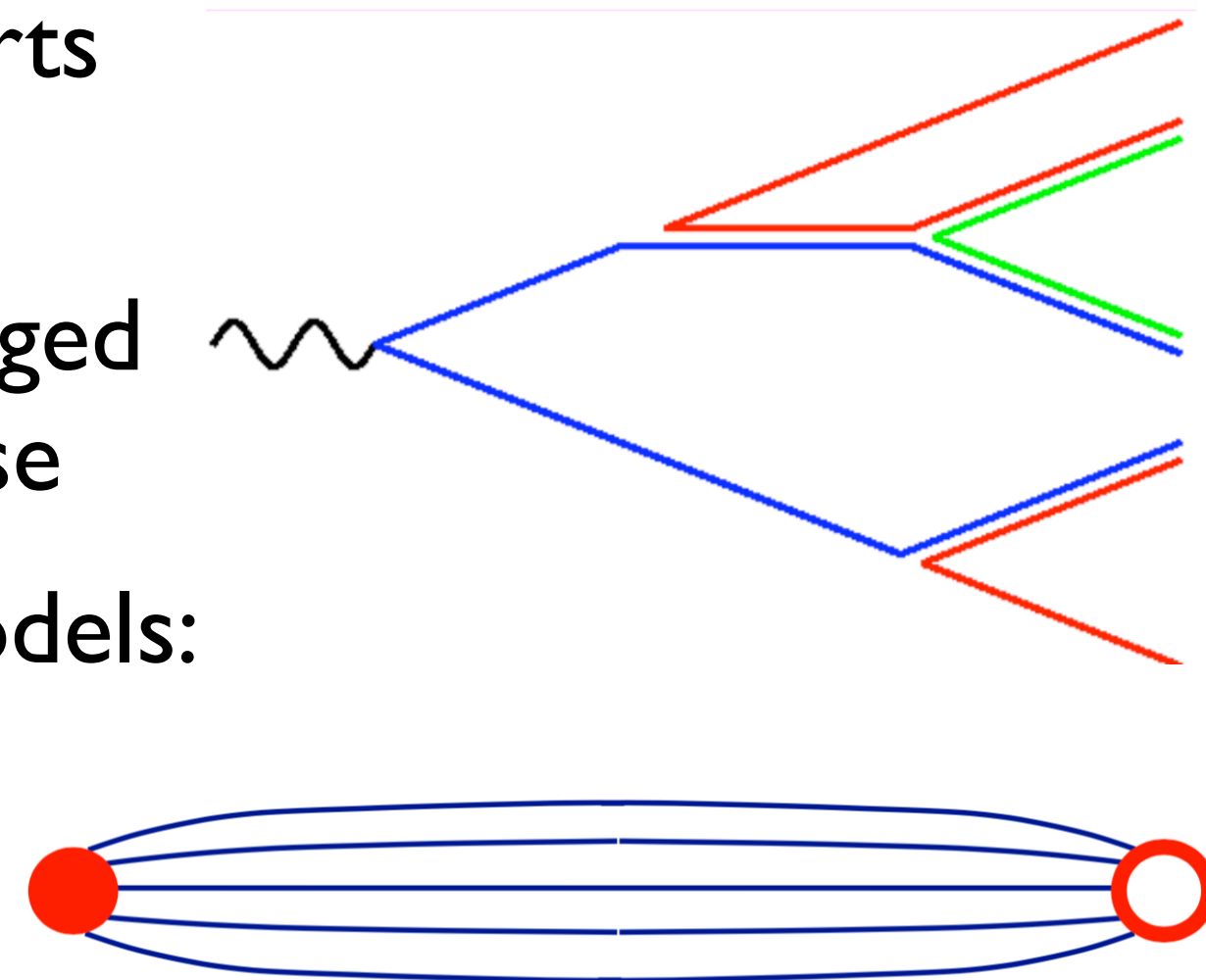
- ★ besides perturbative showering procedure, event generators include non-perturbative models to simulate hadronization & underlying event/multi-parton interactions (MPI)

hadronization

- parton shower stops at a cutoff $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \sim 0.2 \text{ GeV}$ and hadronization starts
- preconfinement: colour naturally arranged \rightarrow colour singlets close
- phenomenological models:

string model

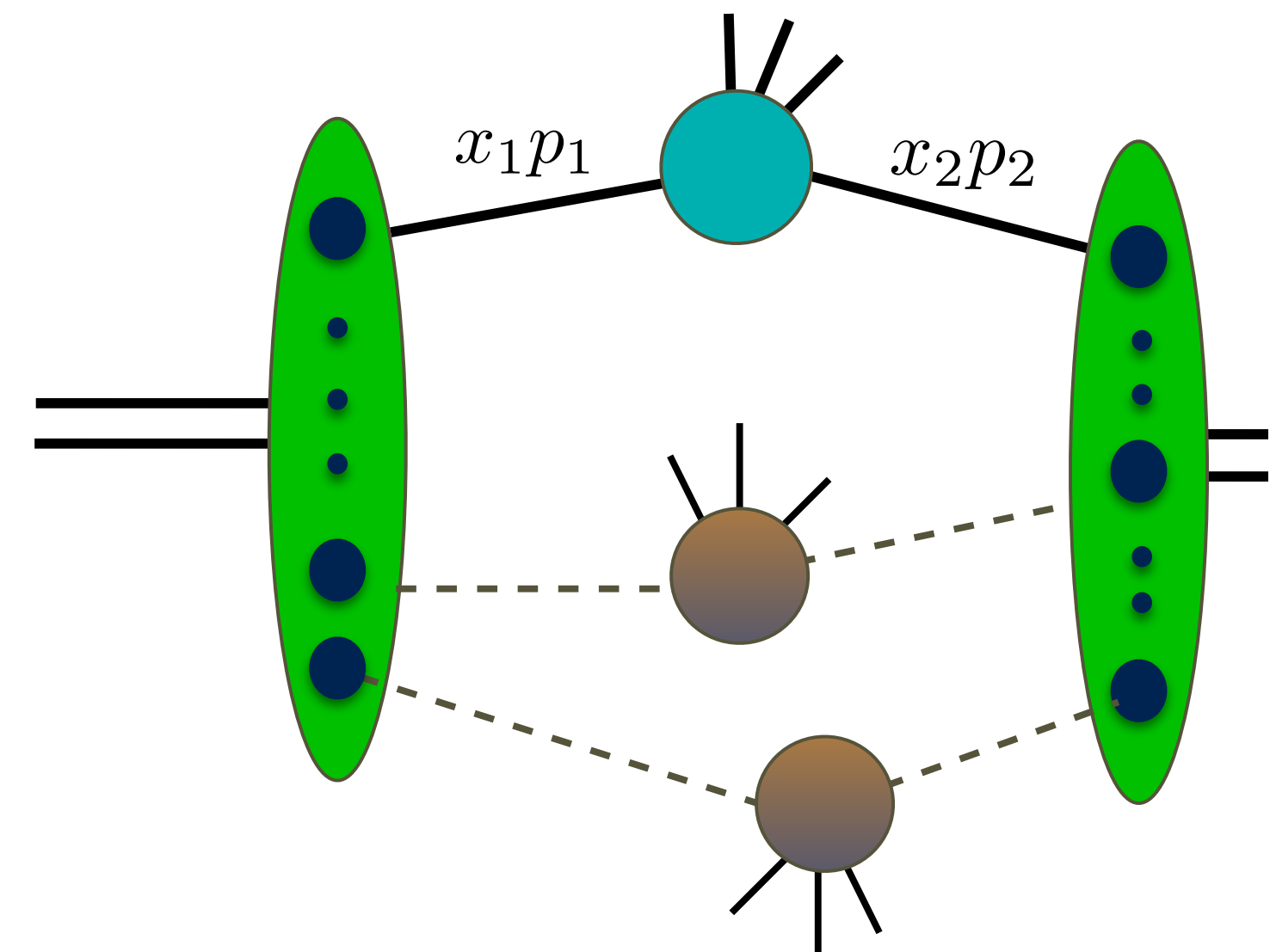
cluster model



split all gluons into quarks and recombine to colour singlets

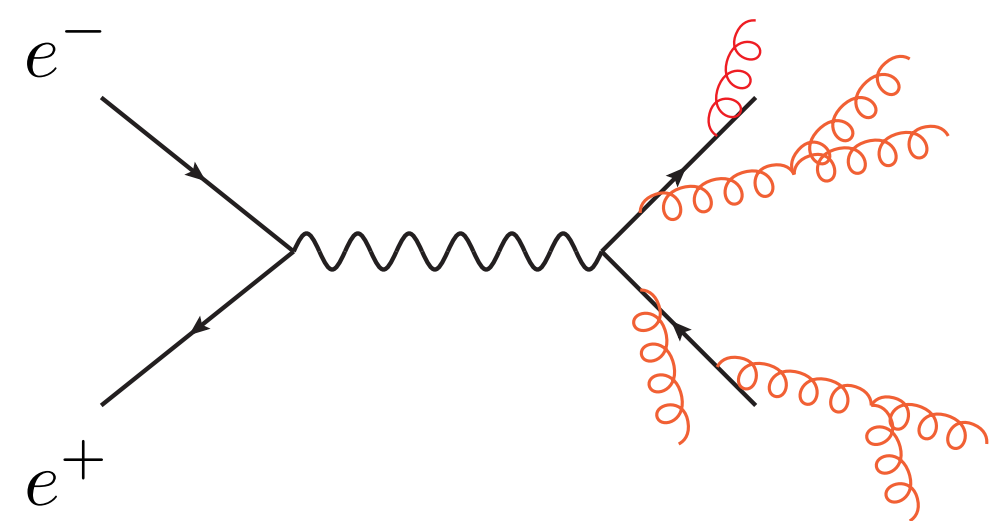
MPI

- apart from primary hard scattering (several) secondary secondary collisions from other partons inside the proton may occur

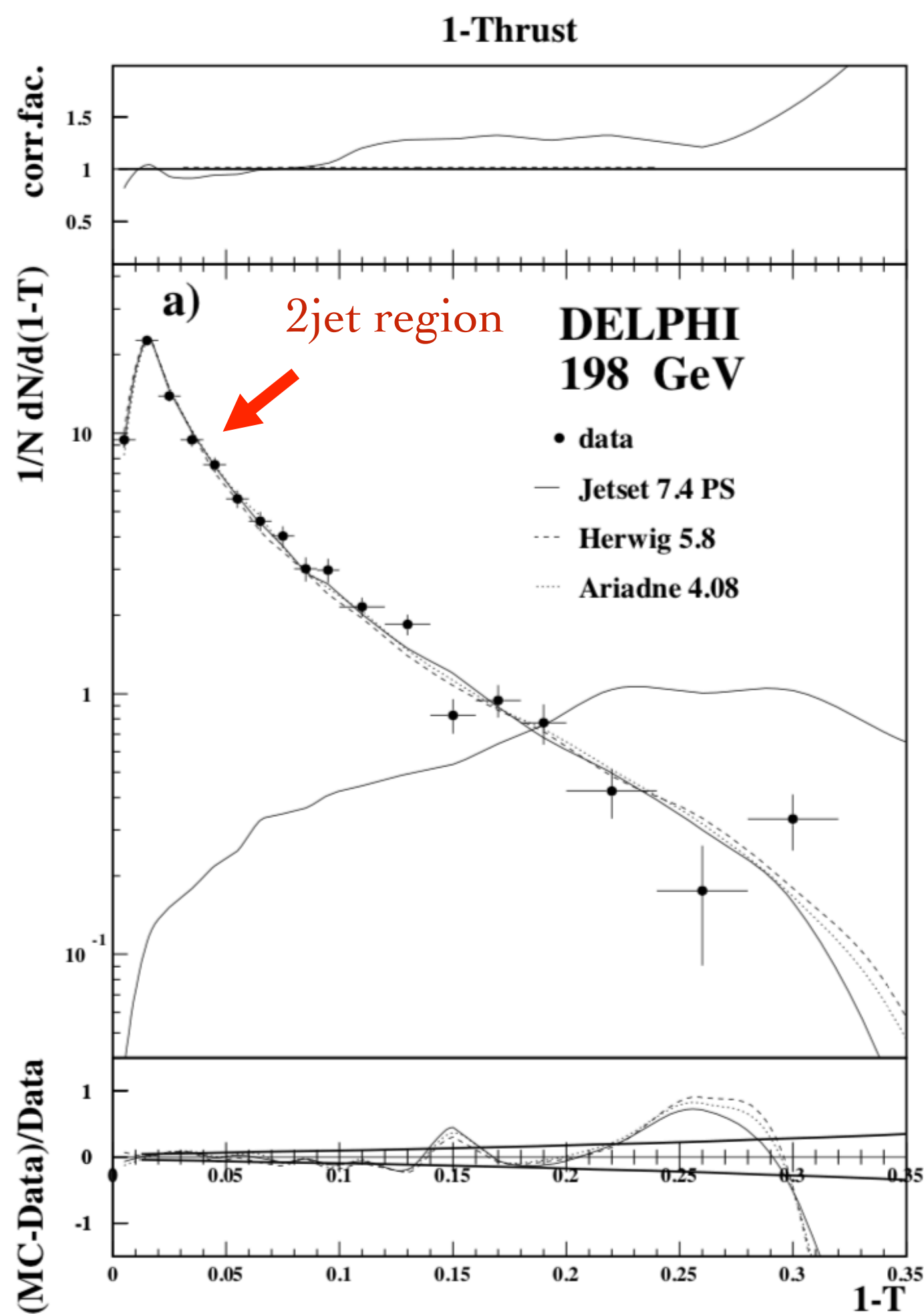


Parton showers at work

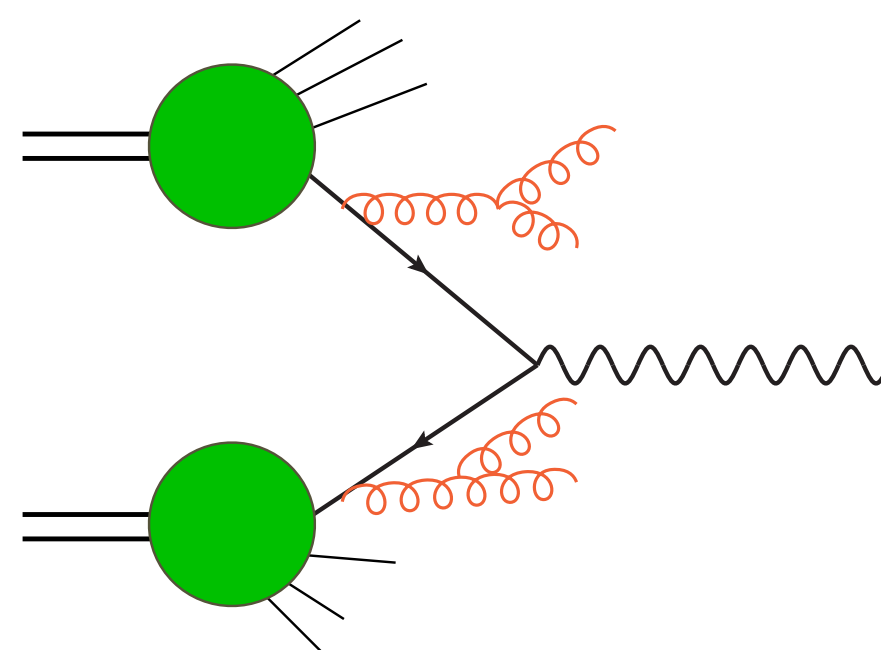
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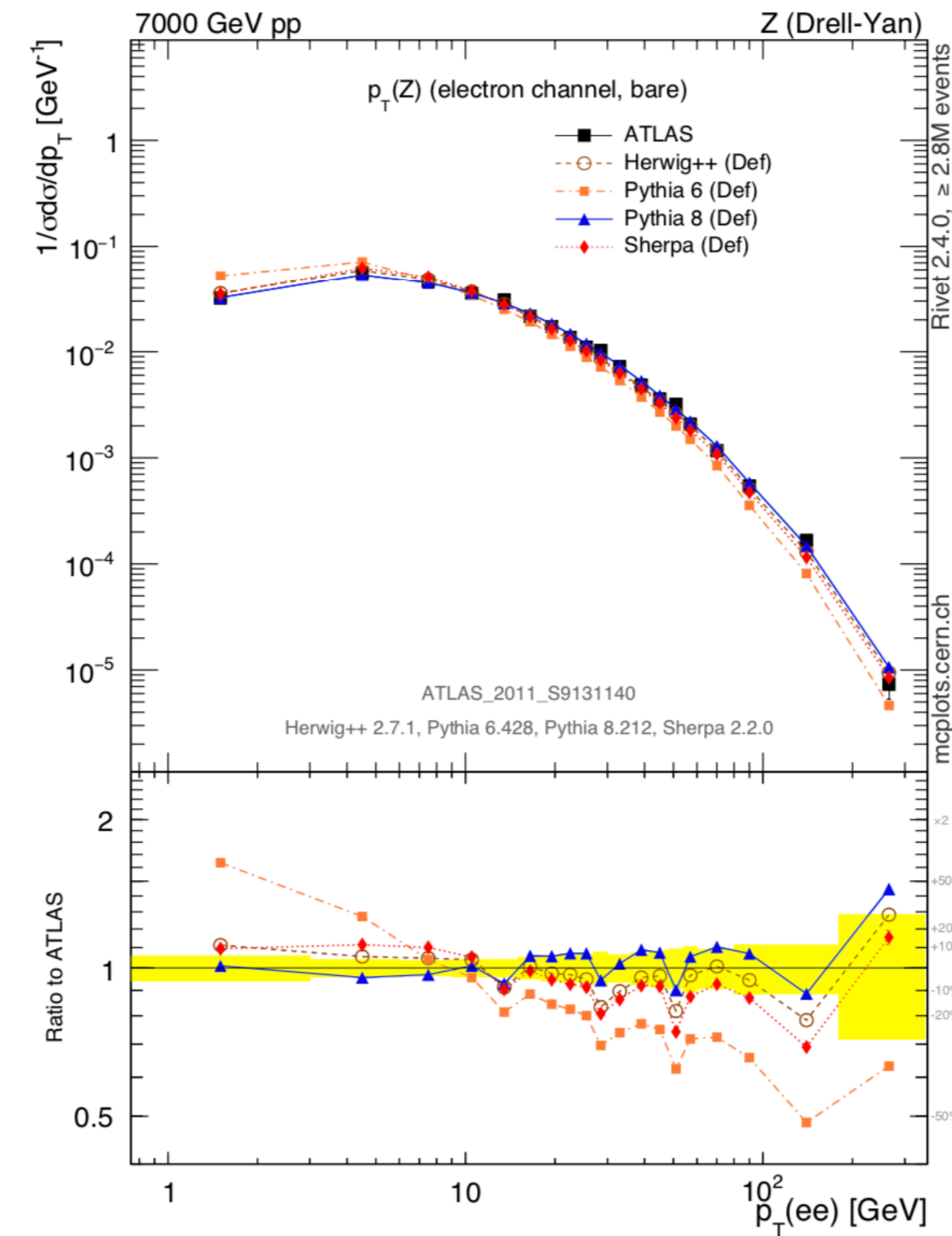
good description of dijet events in lepton collisions



Example #2

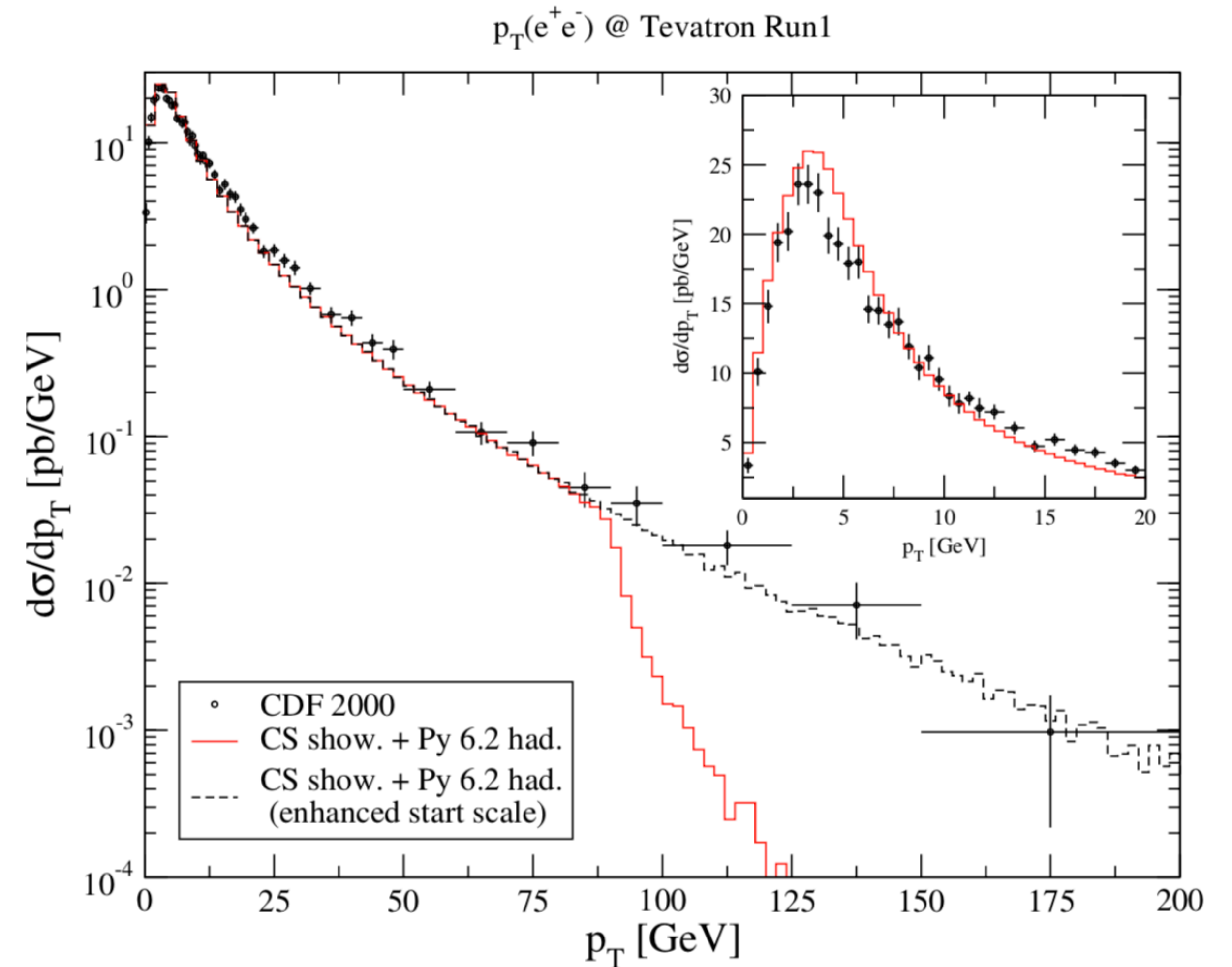


correct shape at low transverse momentum of the Z-boson



Problems of parton showers

- ★ parton showers rely on soft/collinear approximation for radiation (like resummation)
 - valid only in when radiation is soft/collinear
- ★ in regions where hard QCD radiation is probed, such as at large p_T of a Z boson, a parton shower does not provide a physical description
- ★ by contrast, the shower provides a physical picture at low p_T



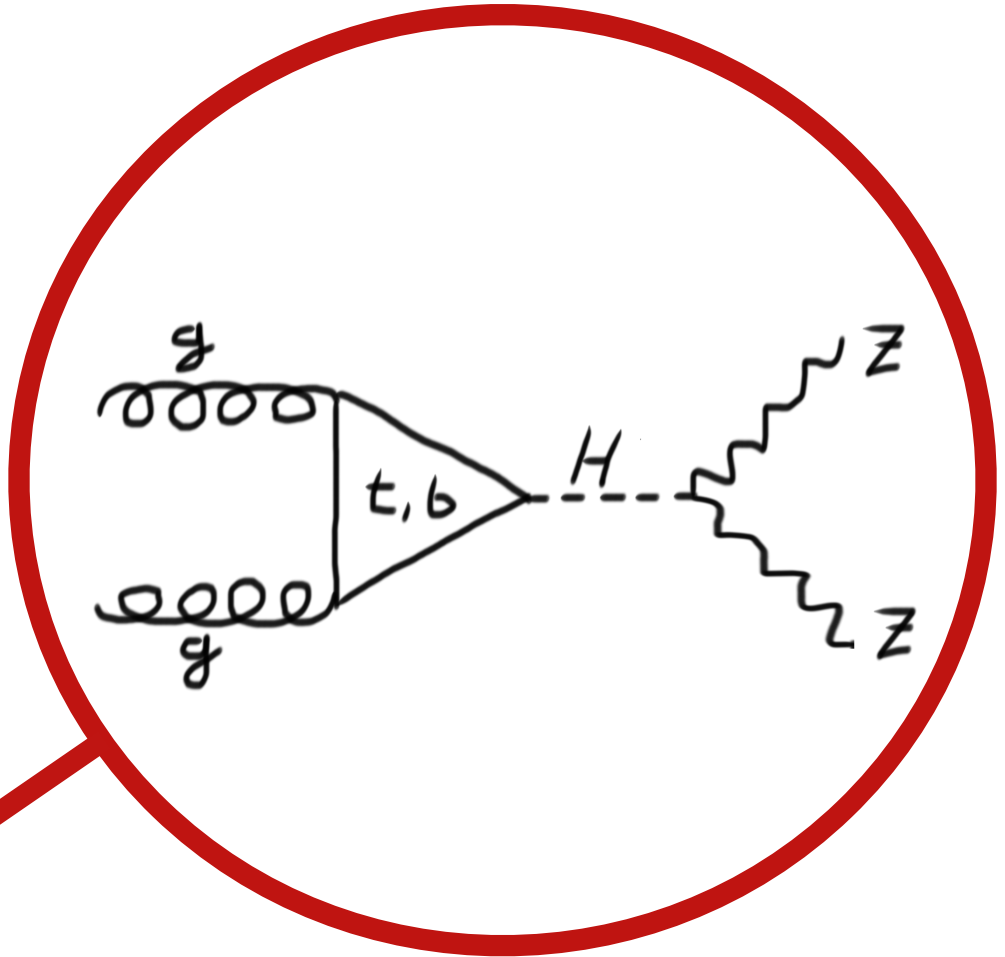
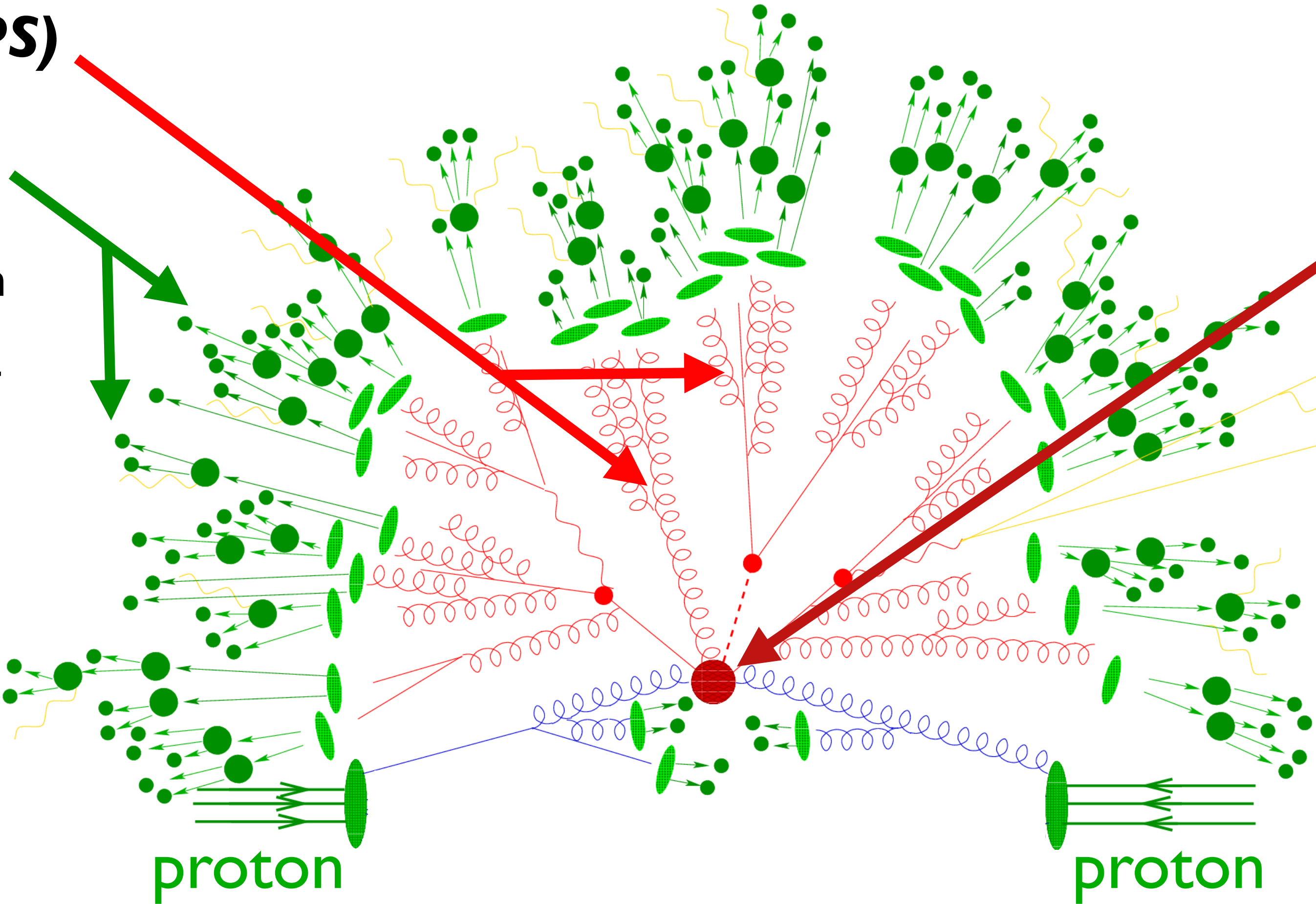
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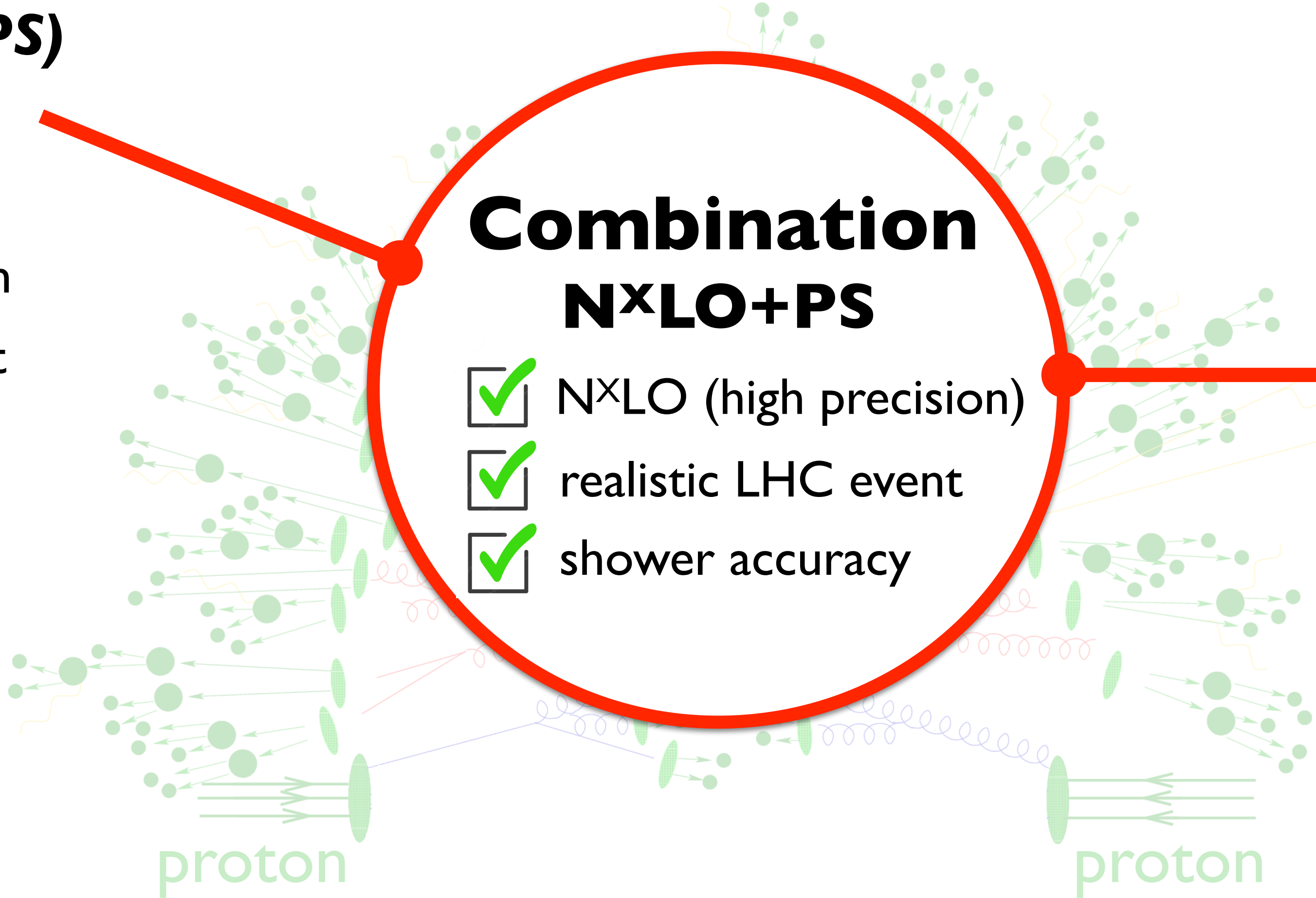
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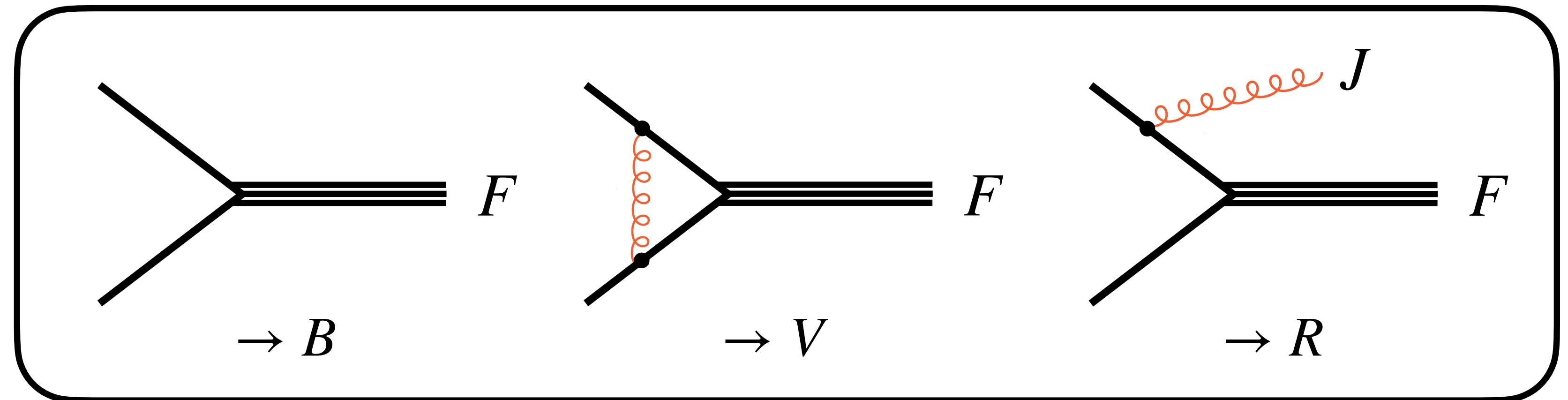
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$$d\sigma_{\text{NLO}} \equiv \left\{ d\sigma^{(1)} + d\sigma^{(2)} \right\} = d\Phi_B \left(B + V + \int d\Phi_{\text{rad}} R \right)$$

MC@NLO: additive matching (similar to analytic resummation & local subtraction):

[Frixione, Webber '02]

$$d\sigma_{\text{MC@NLO}} = \left[d\Phi_B \left(B + V + \int d\Phi_{\text{rad}} MC \right) \right] \times I_{\text{MC}}^{(n)} + \left[d\Phi_B d\Phi_{\text{rad}} (R - MC) \right] \times I_{\text{MC}}^{(n+1)}$$

S-events

H-events

only sum is positive definite for physical observables,
S- and H-events can be separately negative

NLO+PS matching: Powheg

reminder shower formula:
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Powheg: generate first emission through matrix elements:

[Nason '04], [Frixione, Nason, Oleari '07]

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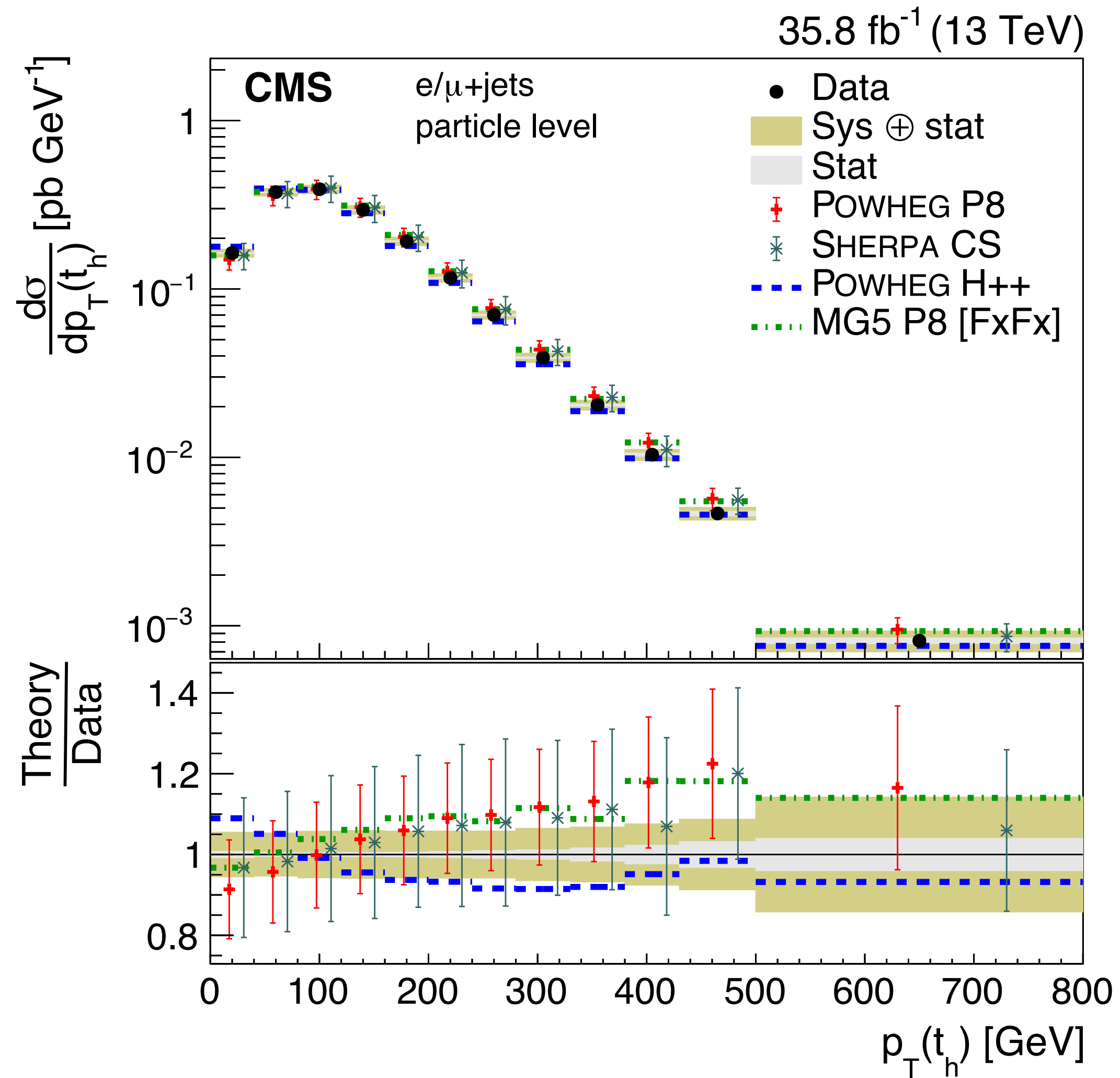
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$$\tilde{B} = B + V + \int d\Phi_{\text{rad}} R$$

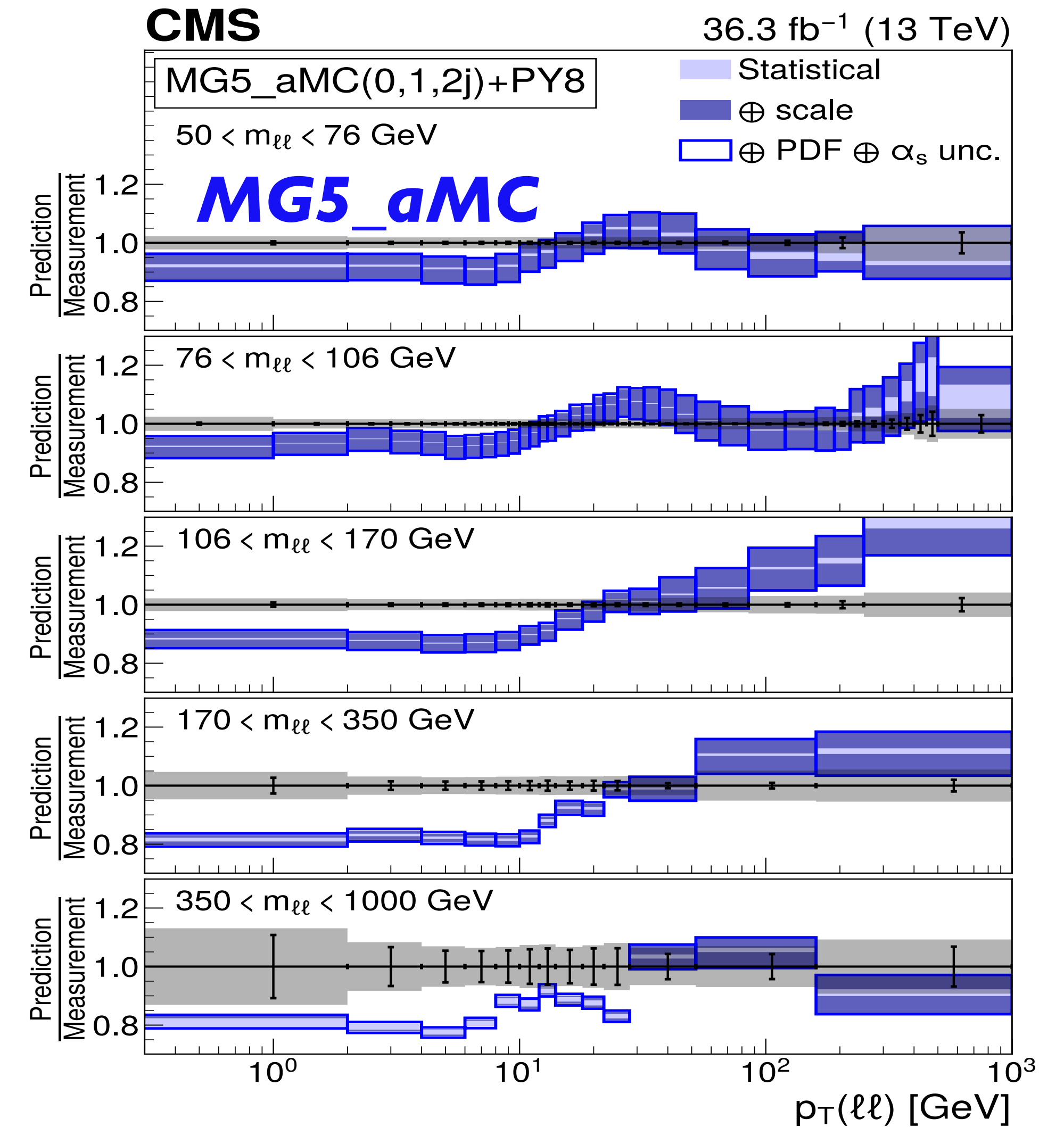
$$\equiv \left\{ \frac{d\sigma^{(1)}}{d\Phi_B} + \frac{d\sigma^{(2)}}{d\Phi_B} \right\} \quad \text{NLO cross section, inclusive over second radiation}$$

NLO+PS results

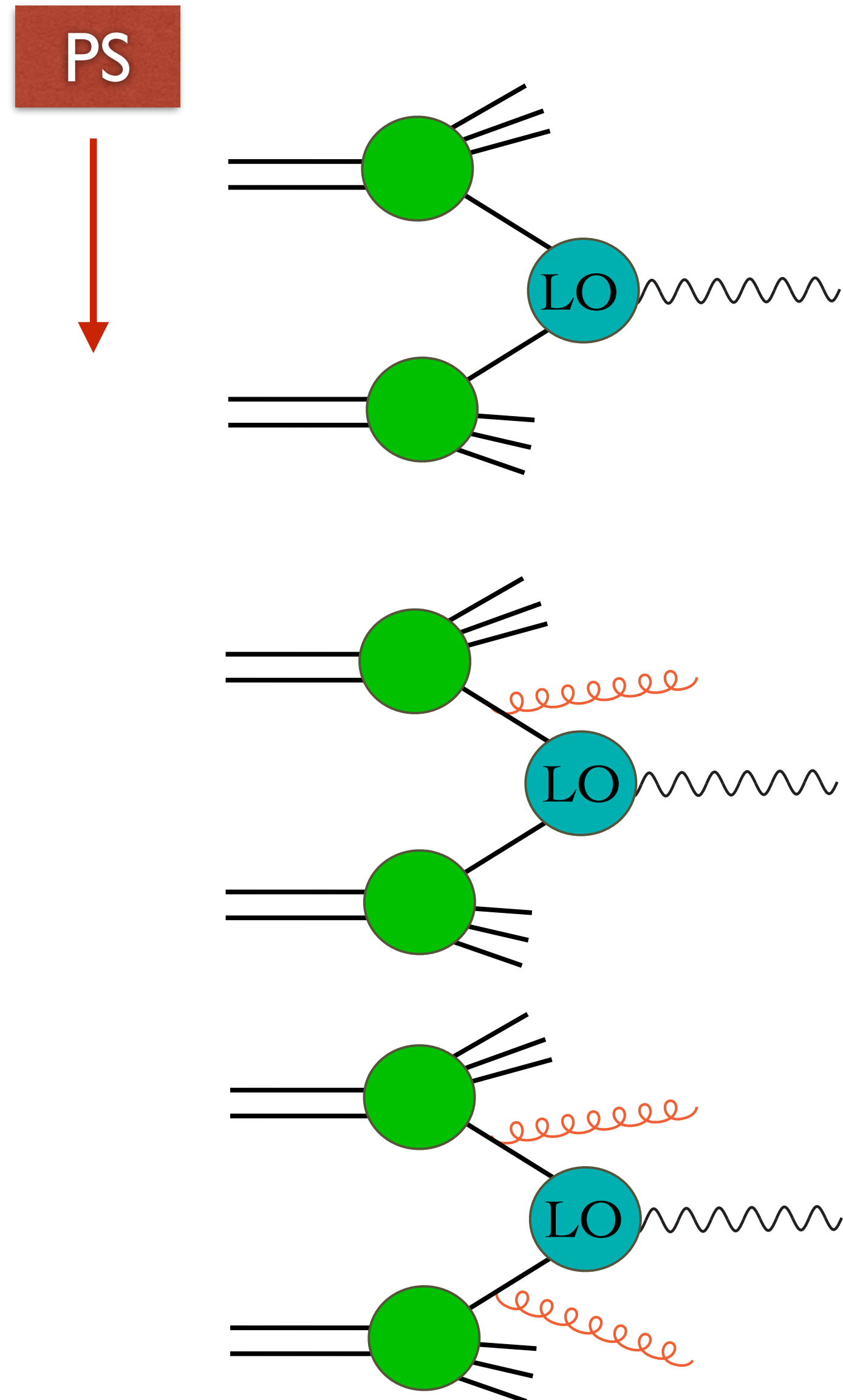
Top-quark pair production
[CMS '22 - arXiv:1803.08856]



Comparison to high-precision Drell-Yan data
[CMS '22 - arXiv:2205.04897]

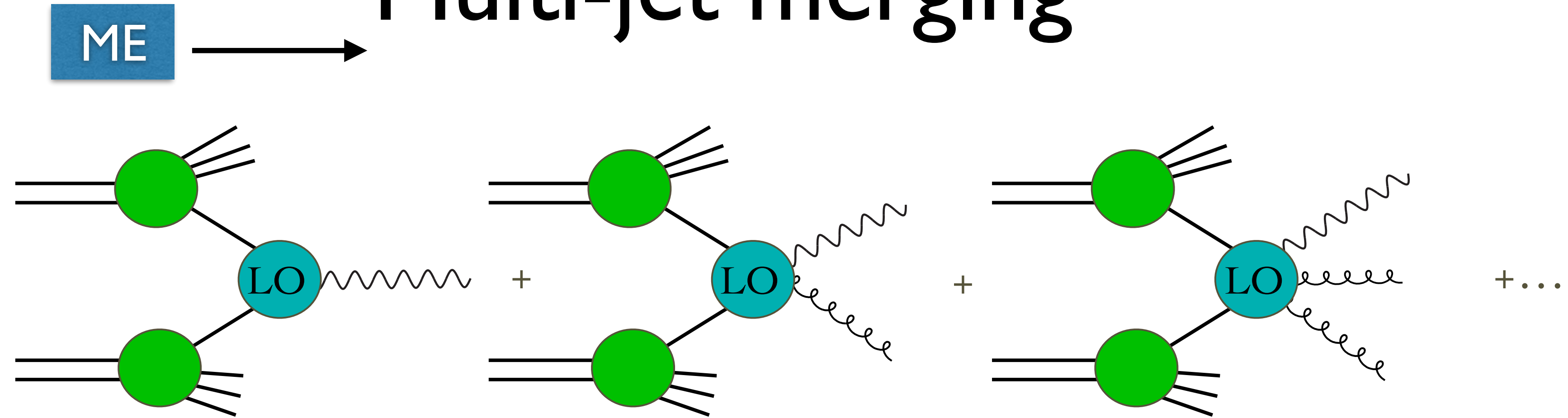


Multi-jet merging



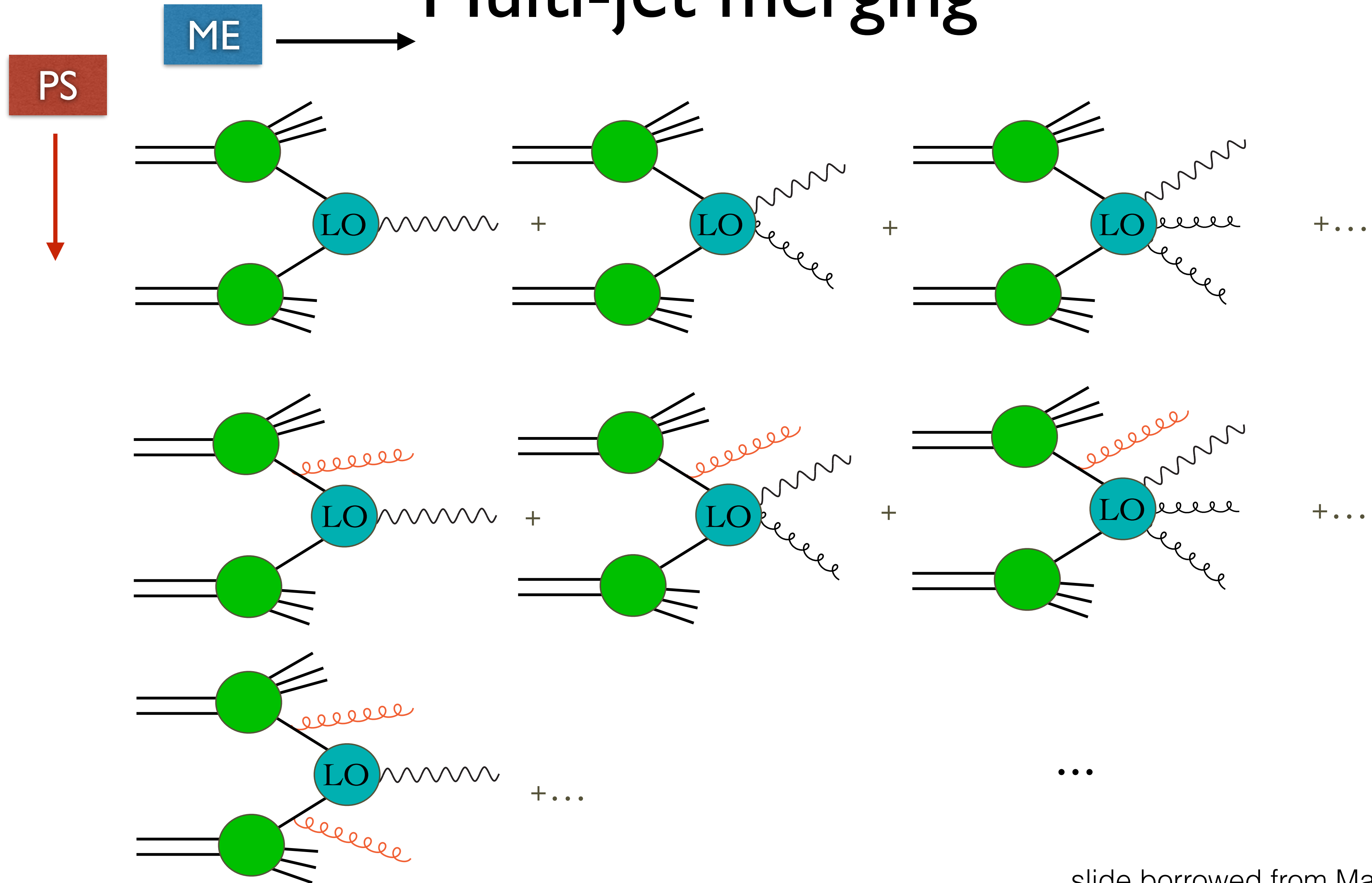
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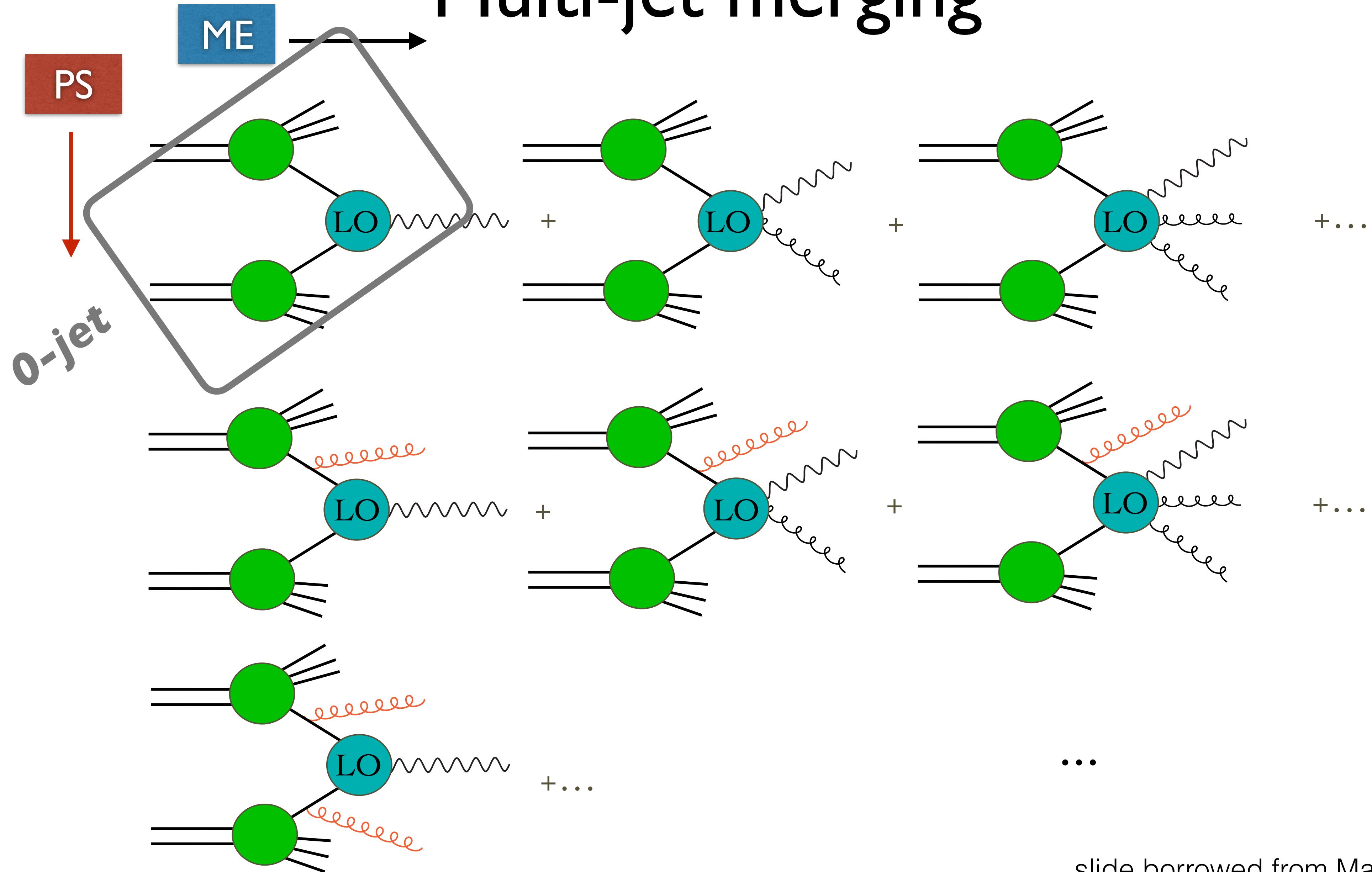
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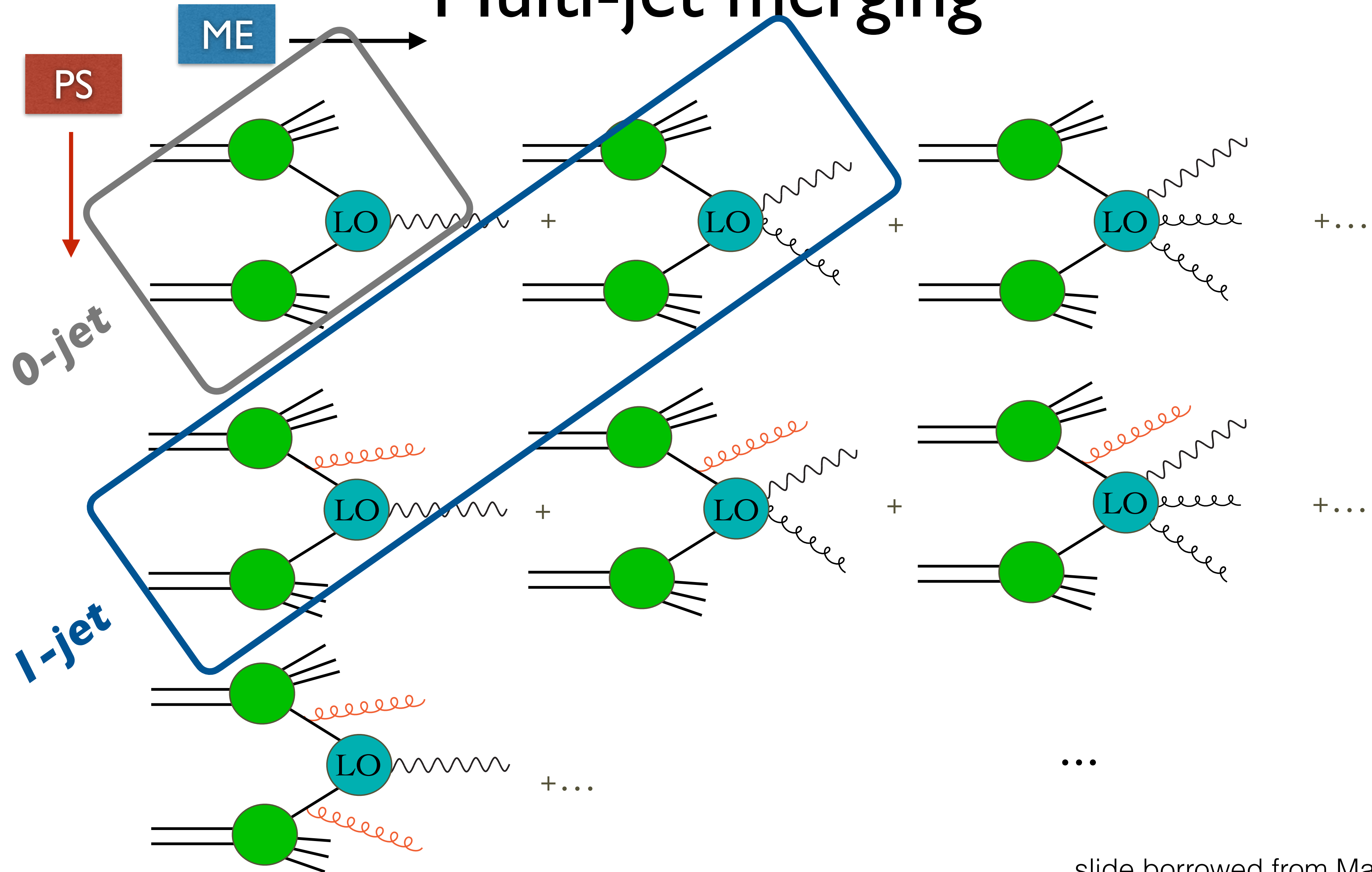
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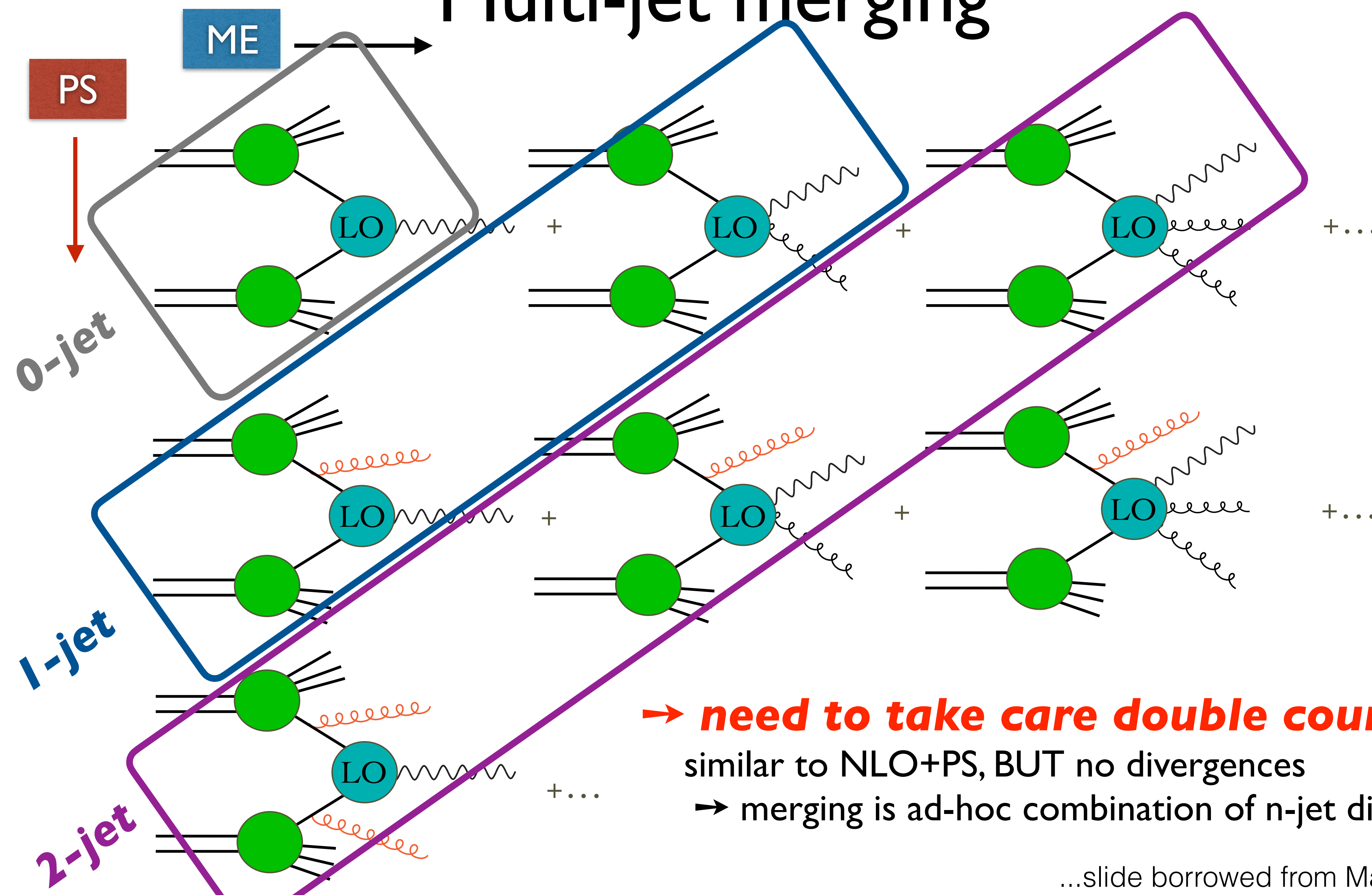
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Multi-jet merging



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Multi-jet merging



→ need to take care double counting!
similar to NLO+PS, BUT no divergences
→ merging is ad-hoc combination of n-jet different samples

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$r_0 < Q_{\text{cut}}$

$r_0 > Q_{\text{cut}}, r_1 < Q_{\text{cut}}$

$r_1 > Q_{\text{cut}}, r_2 < Q_{\text{cut}}$

$r_2 \dots r_n$

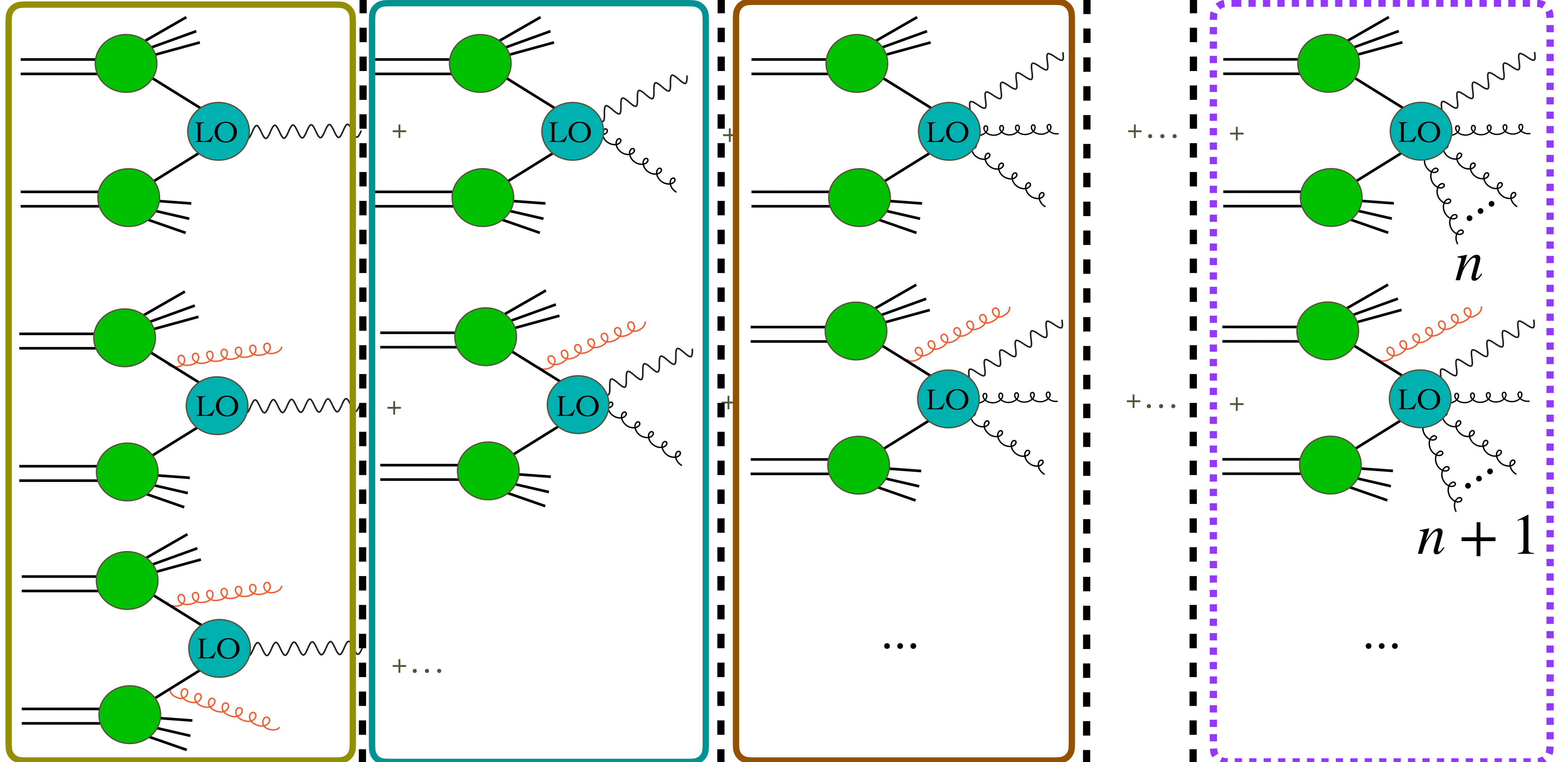
$r_n > Q_{\text{cut}}$

0j@LO+PS

1j@LO+PS

2j@LO+PS

nj@LO+PS



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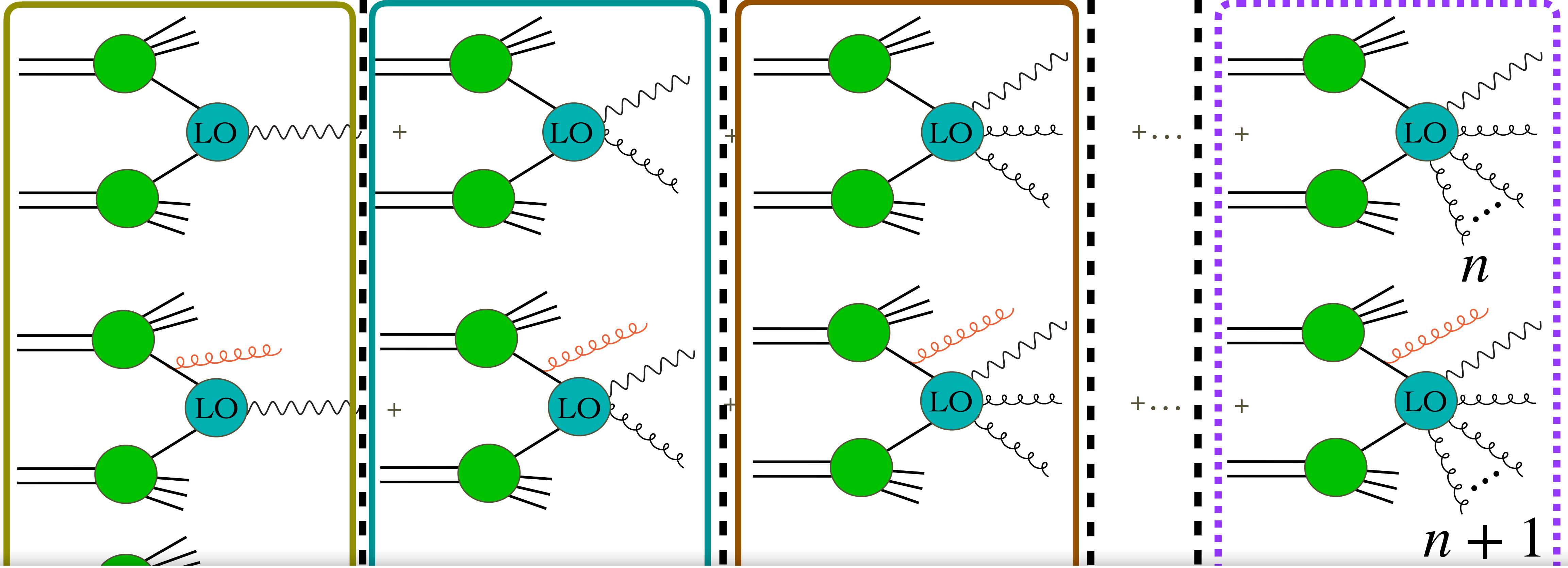
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0j@LO+PS

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nj@LO+PS



$$\sigma_{\text{incl}}^{X+0,\dots,n@LO+PS} = \sigma_{\text{excl}}^{X+0}(r_0 < Q_{\text{cut}}) + \sigma_{\text{excl}}^{X+1}(r_0 > Q_{\text{cut}}, r_1 < Q_{\text{cut}}) + \sigma_{\text{excl}}^{X+2}(r_1 > Q_{\text{cut}}, r_2 < Q_{\text{cut}}) + \dots + \sigma_{\text{excl}}^{X+n}(r_n > Q_{\text{cut}})$$

LO+PS merging

	X	X+jet	X+2jets	X+3jets	X+nj(n>3)
X@LO	LO	—	—	—	—
X@LO+PS	LO	PS	PS	PS	PS
X+0,1j@LO+PS	LO	LO	PS	PS	PS
X+0,1,2j@LO+PS	LO	LO	LO	PS	PS
X+0,1,2,3j@LO+PS	LO	LO	LO	LO	PS

◆ main idea:

- hard emissions ($r_i > Q_{\text{cut}}$) described by matrix elements, soft emissions ($r_i < Q_{\text{cut}}$) by shower
- resolution variable r_i typically related to transverse momentum of the emission
- merging scale Q_{cut} cannot be pushed too low as large $\log(Q_{\text{cut}}/Q)$ in matrix elements

◆ LO+PS merging methods:

CKKW

MLM

UMEPS

MEPS@LO (Sherpa)

...

NLO+PS merging

	X	X+jet	X+2jets	X+3jets	X+nj(n>3)
X@LO	LO	—	—	—	—
X@LO+PS	LO	PS	PS	PS	PS
X@NLO	NLO	LO	—	—	—
X@NLO+PS	NLO	LO	PS	PS	PS
X+0,1j@NLO+PS	NLO	NLO	LO	PS	PS
X+0,1,2j@NLO+PS	NLO	NLO	NLO	LO	PS

◆ idea very similar at NLO, but need to account for overlap in matrix elements

◆ X@NLO+PS, X+2,...,nj@LO+PS merging method:

MENLOPS

◆ X+0,...,nj@NLO+PS:

MEPS@NLO (Sherpa)

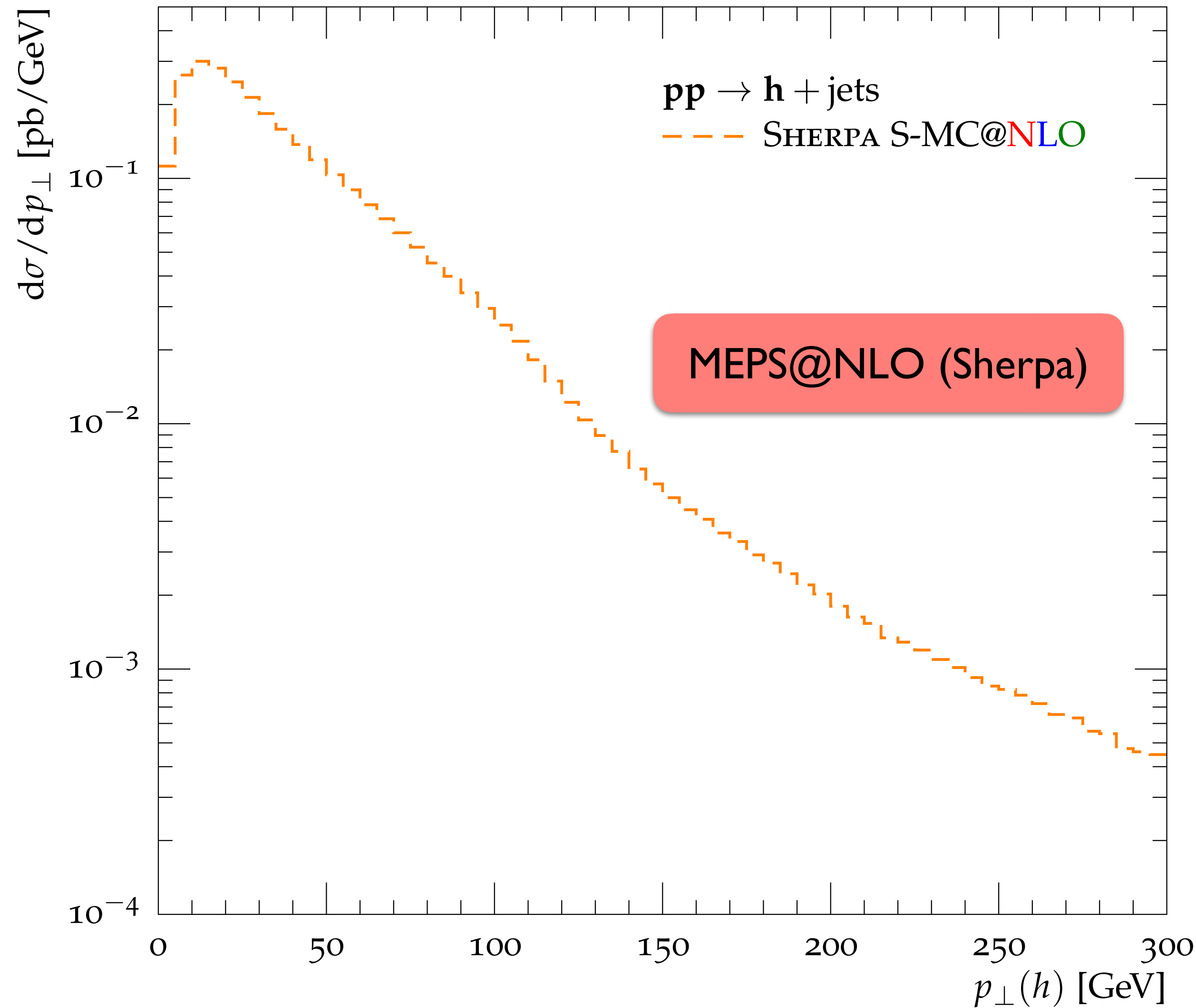
FxFx (MG5)

MiNLO (Powheg)

UNLOPS

NLO+PS merging: Example #1

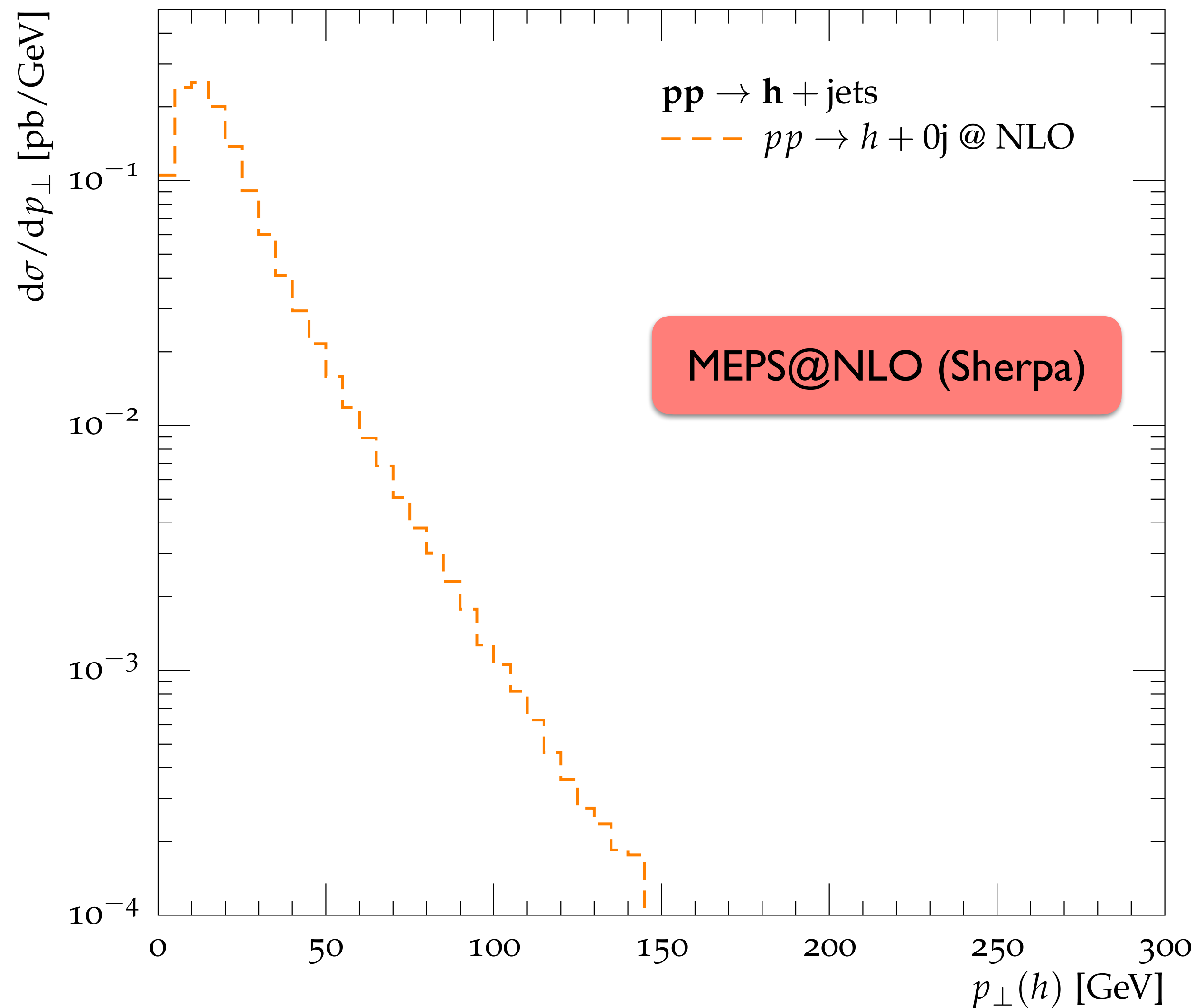
Transverse momentum of the Higgs boson



◆ start from MC@NLO for Higgs+0-jet

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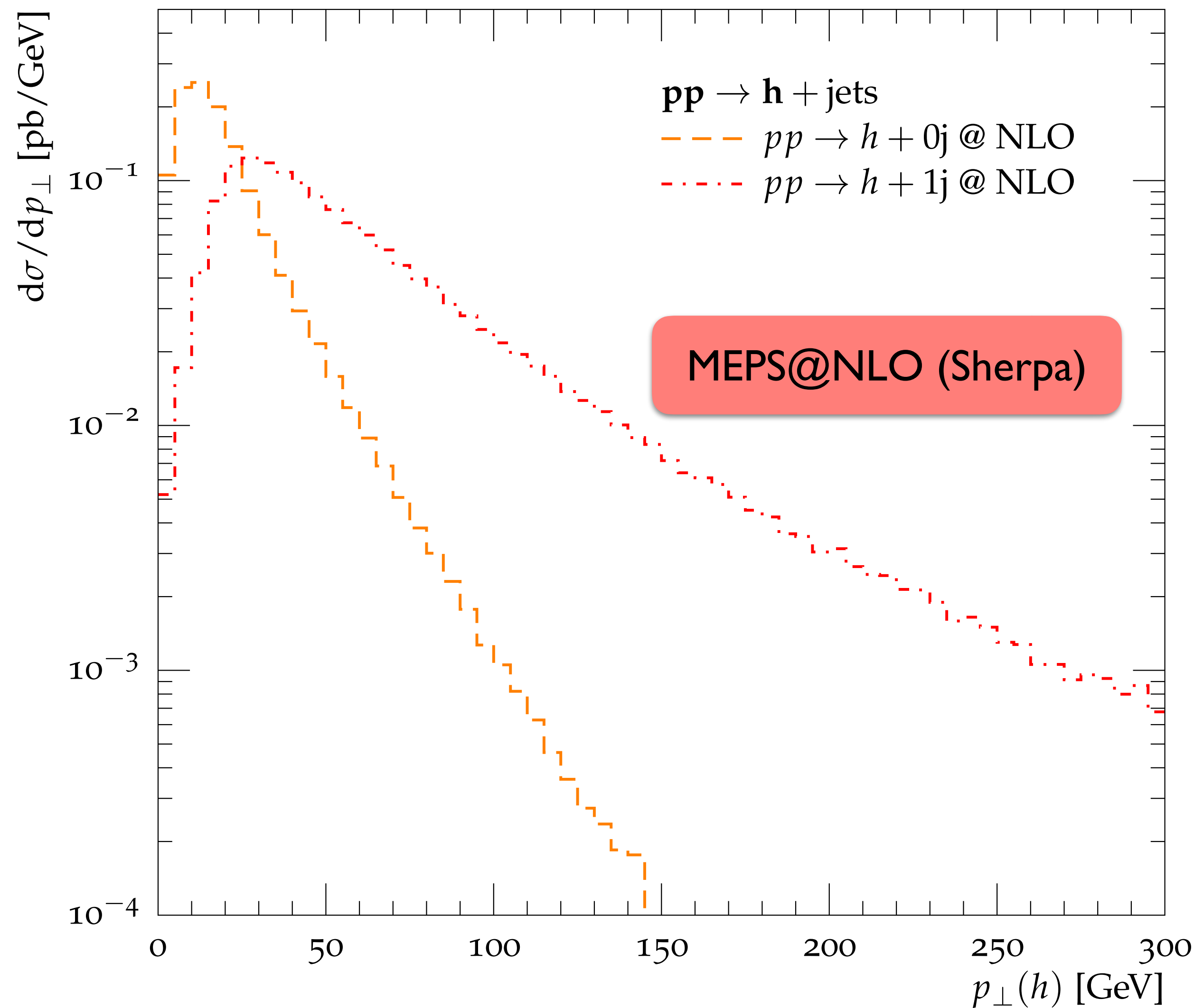
Transverse momentum of the Higgs boson



- ◆ start from MC@NLO for Higgs+0-jet
- ➔ restrict first emission $r_0 < Q_{\text{cut}}$

NLO+PS merging: Example #1

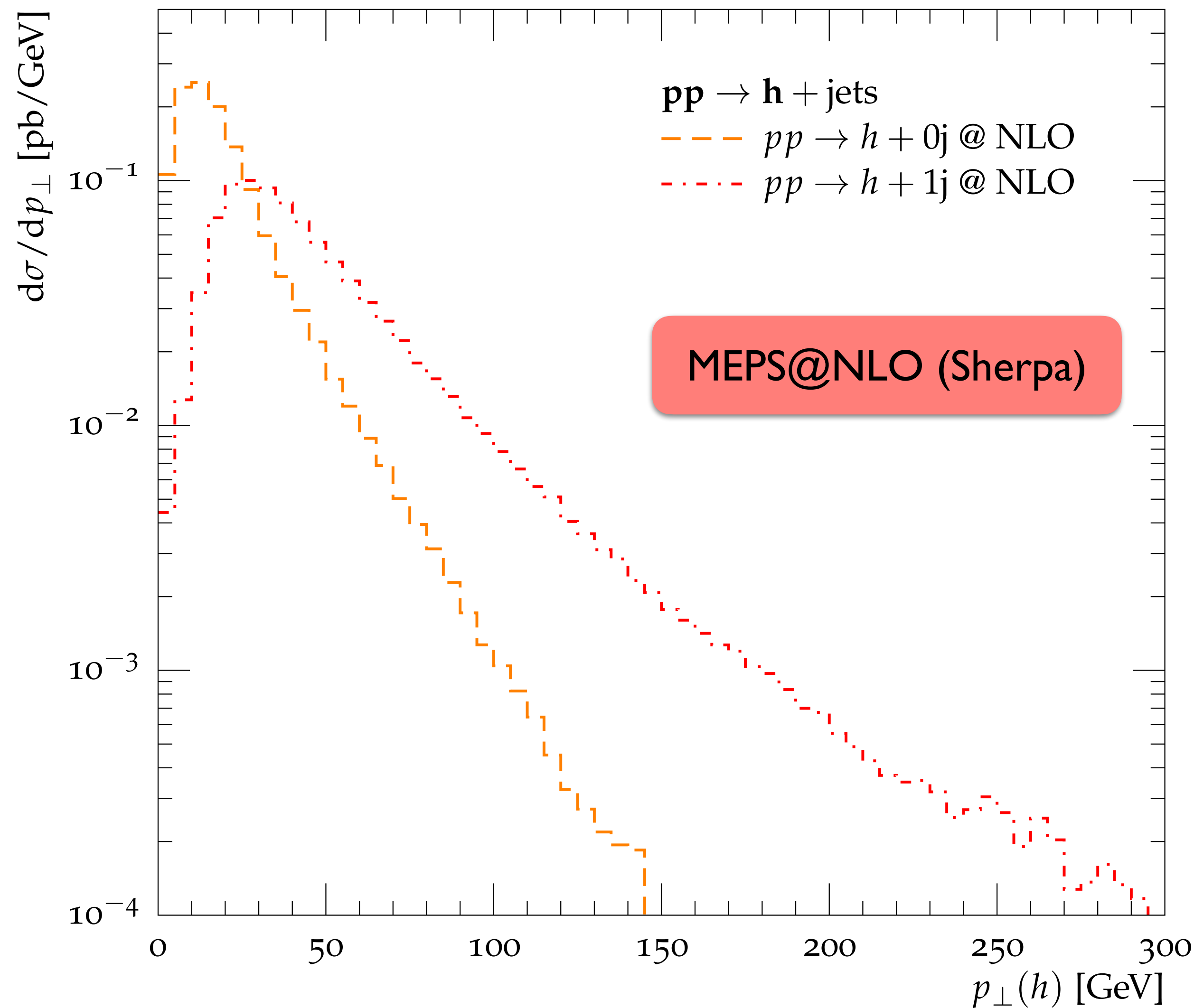
Transverse momentum of the Higgs boson



- ◆ start from MC@NLO for Higgs+0-jet
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- ◆ MC@NLO for Higgs+1-jet for $r_0 > Q_{\text{cut}}$

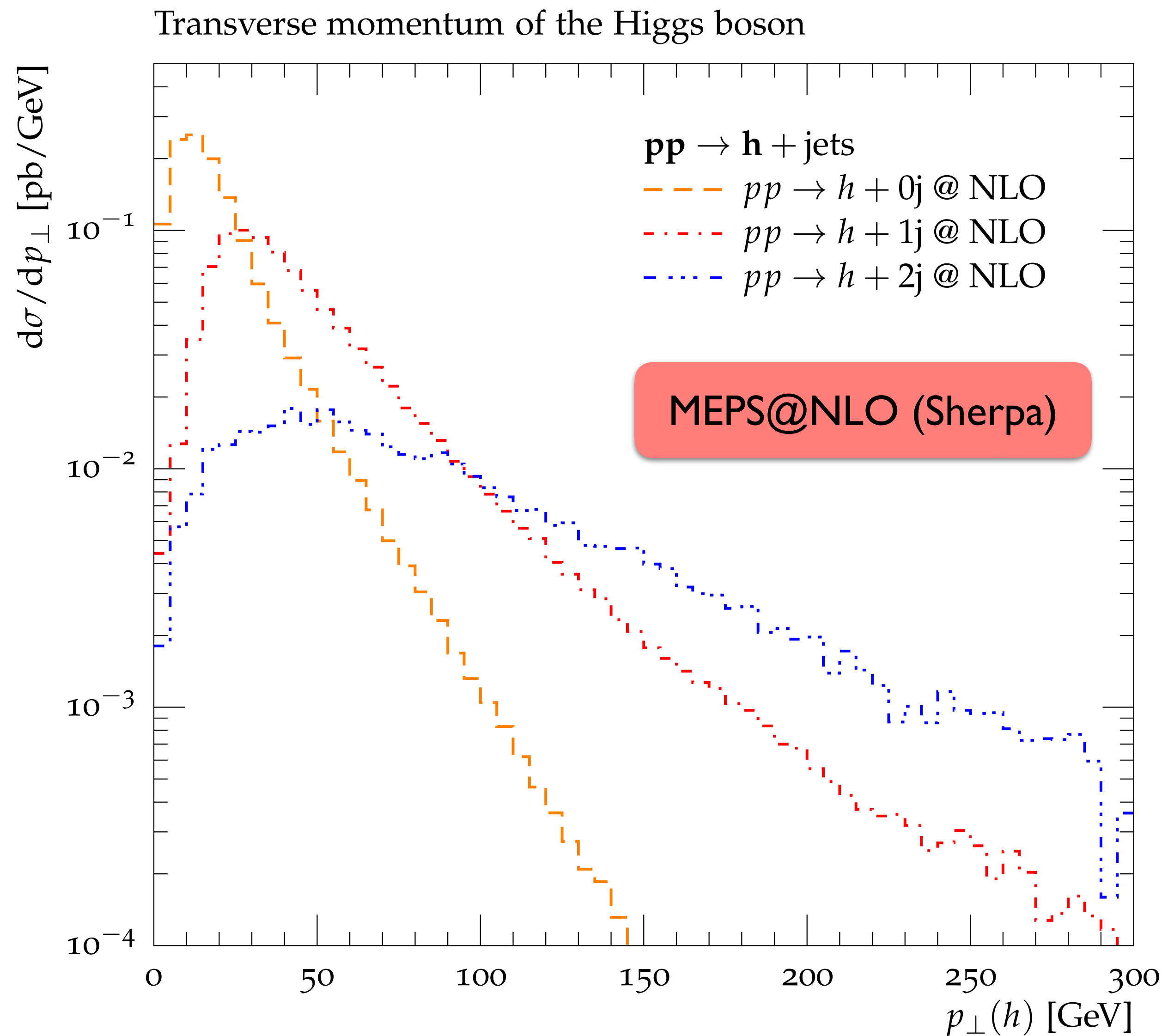
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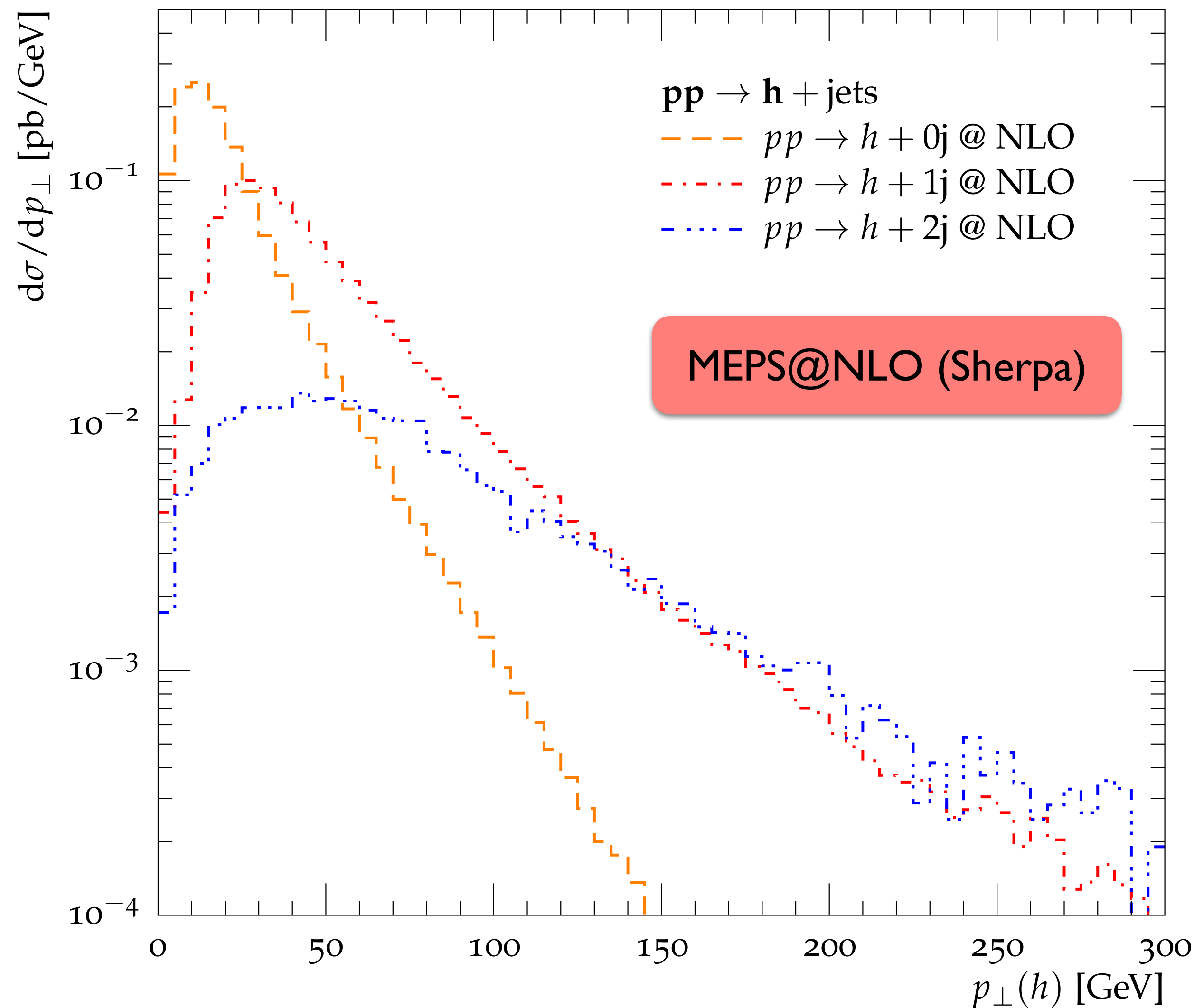
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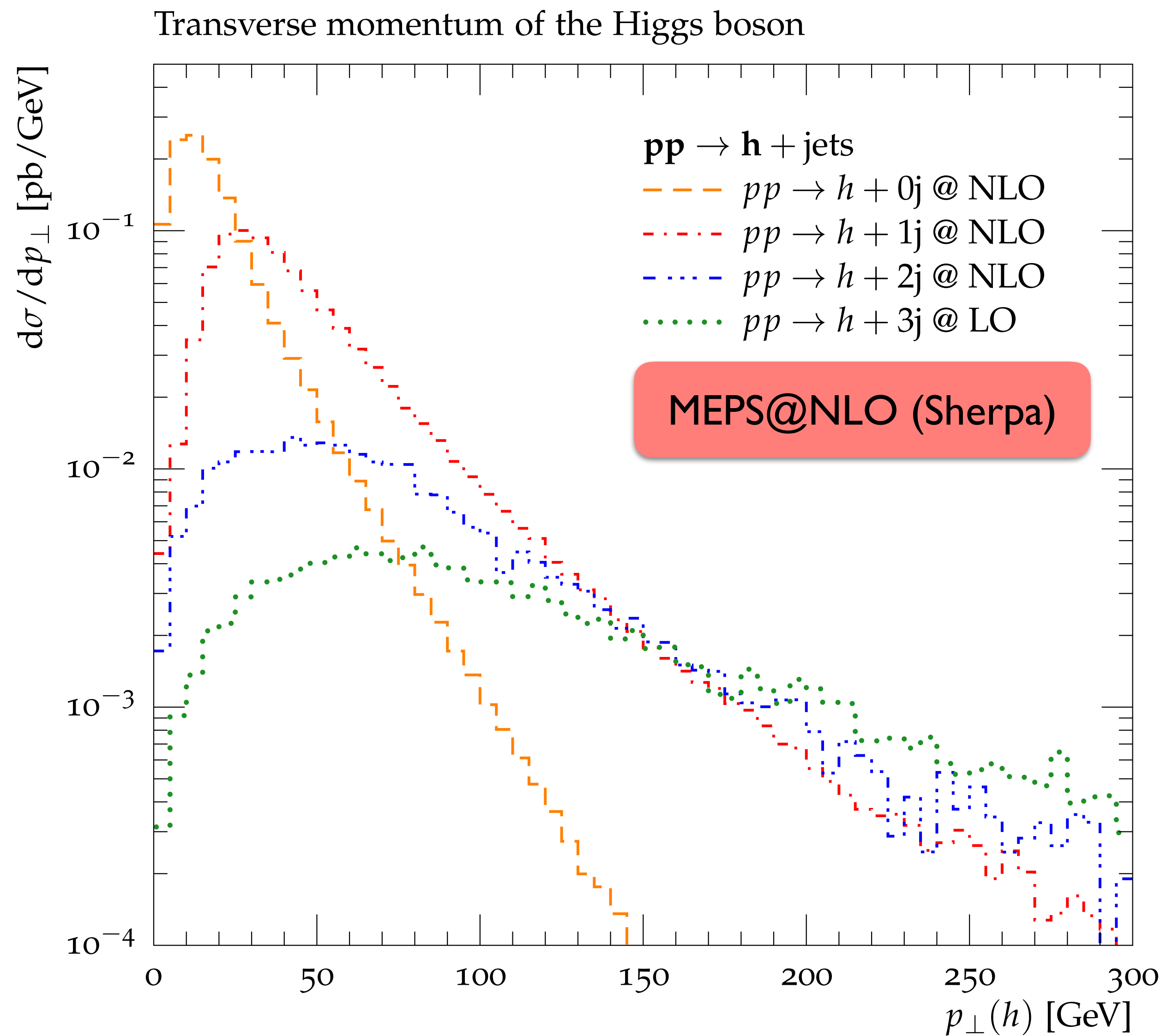
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Transverse momentum of the Higgs boson



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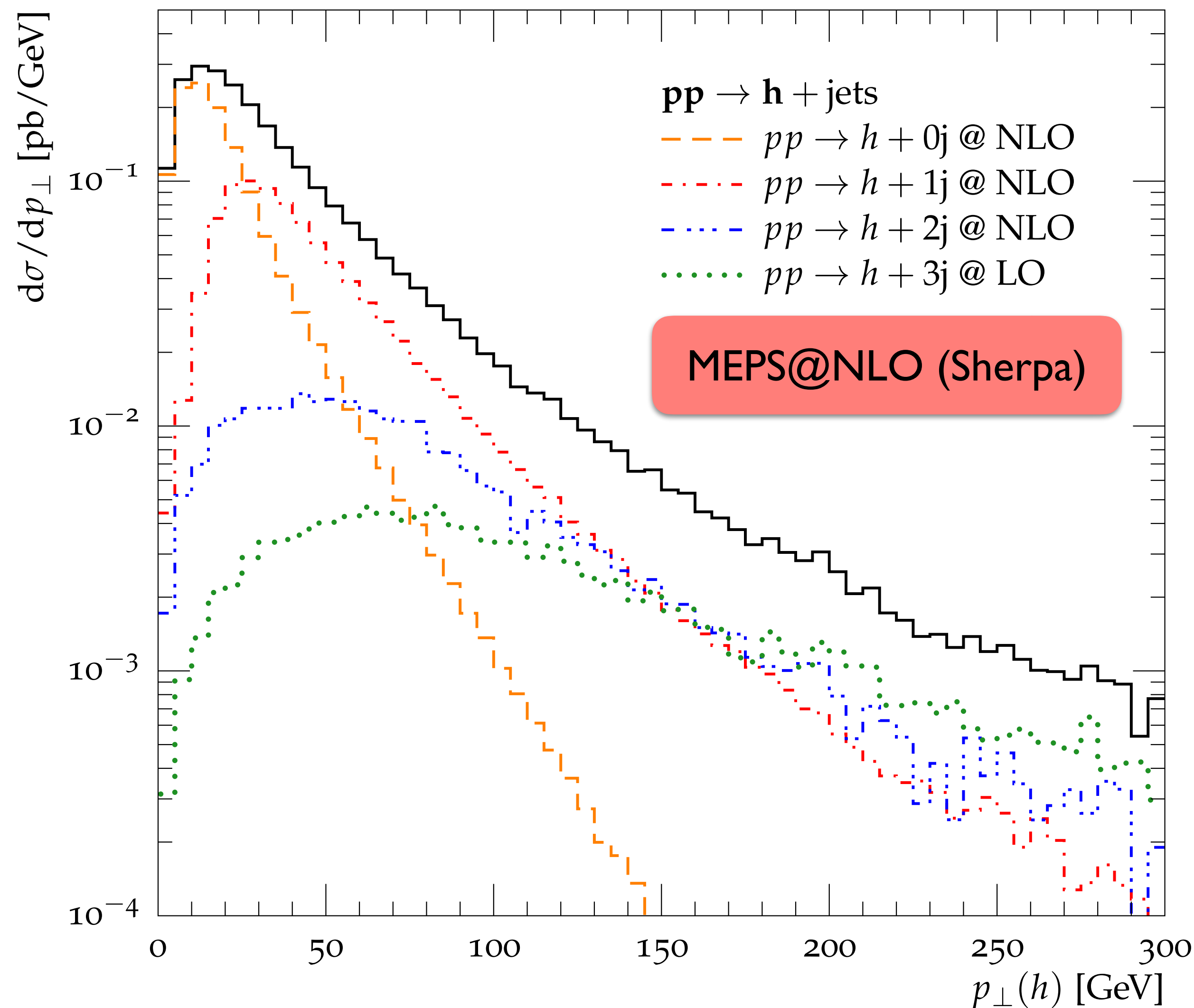
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➔ restrict extra emission $r_2 < Q_{\text{cut}}$
- ◆ LO+PS for Higgs+3-jet for $r_2 > Q_{\text{cut}}$
(MEPS@NLO/Sherpa specific)
➔ no restriction on further radiation (keep PS)

NLO+PS merging: Example #1

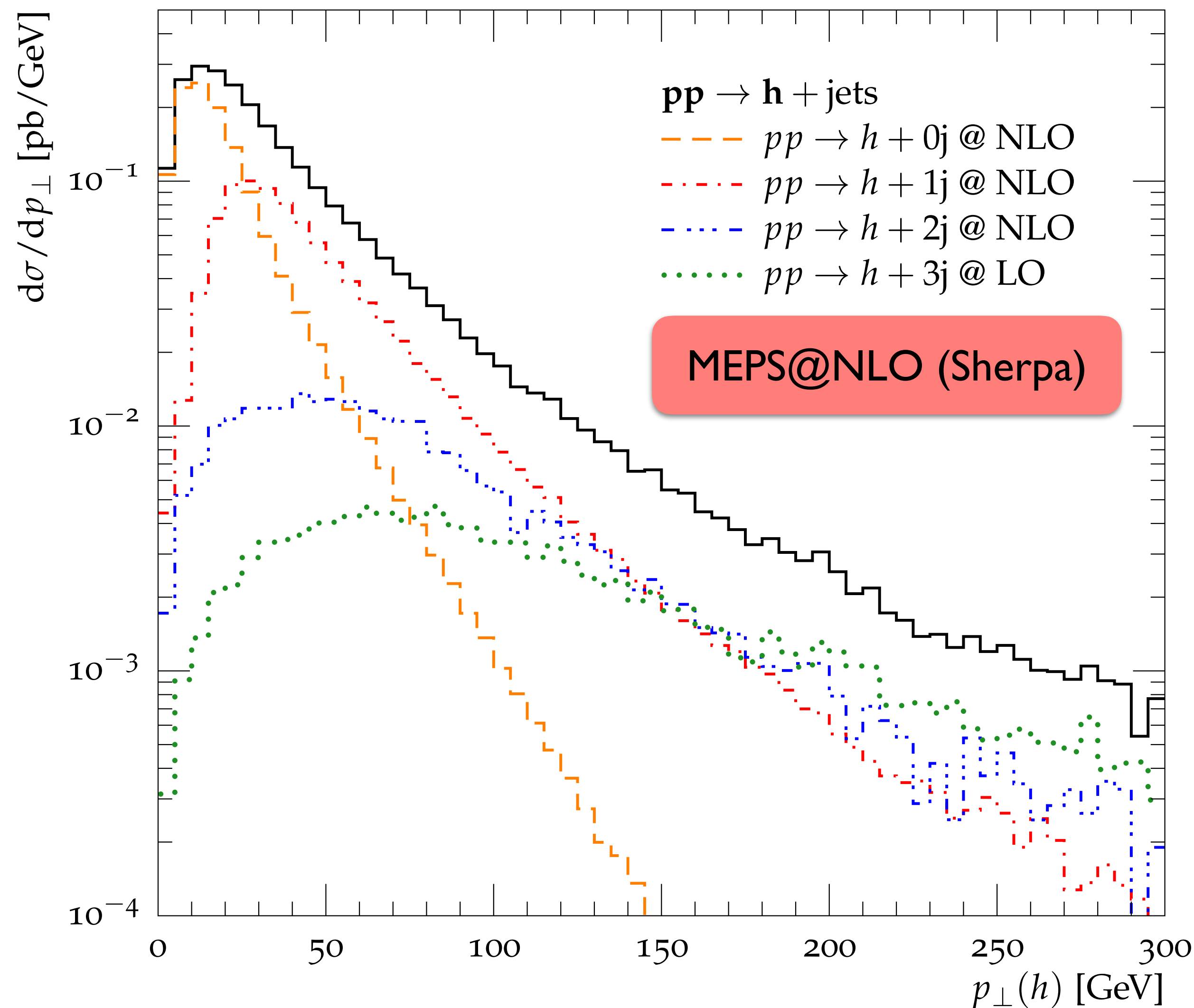
Transverse momentum of the Higgs boson



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- ◆ sum all together ➔ Higgs+0,1,2j@NLO+PS

NLO+PS merging: Example #1

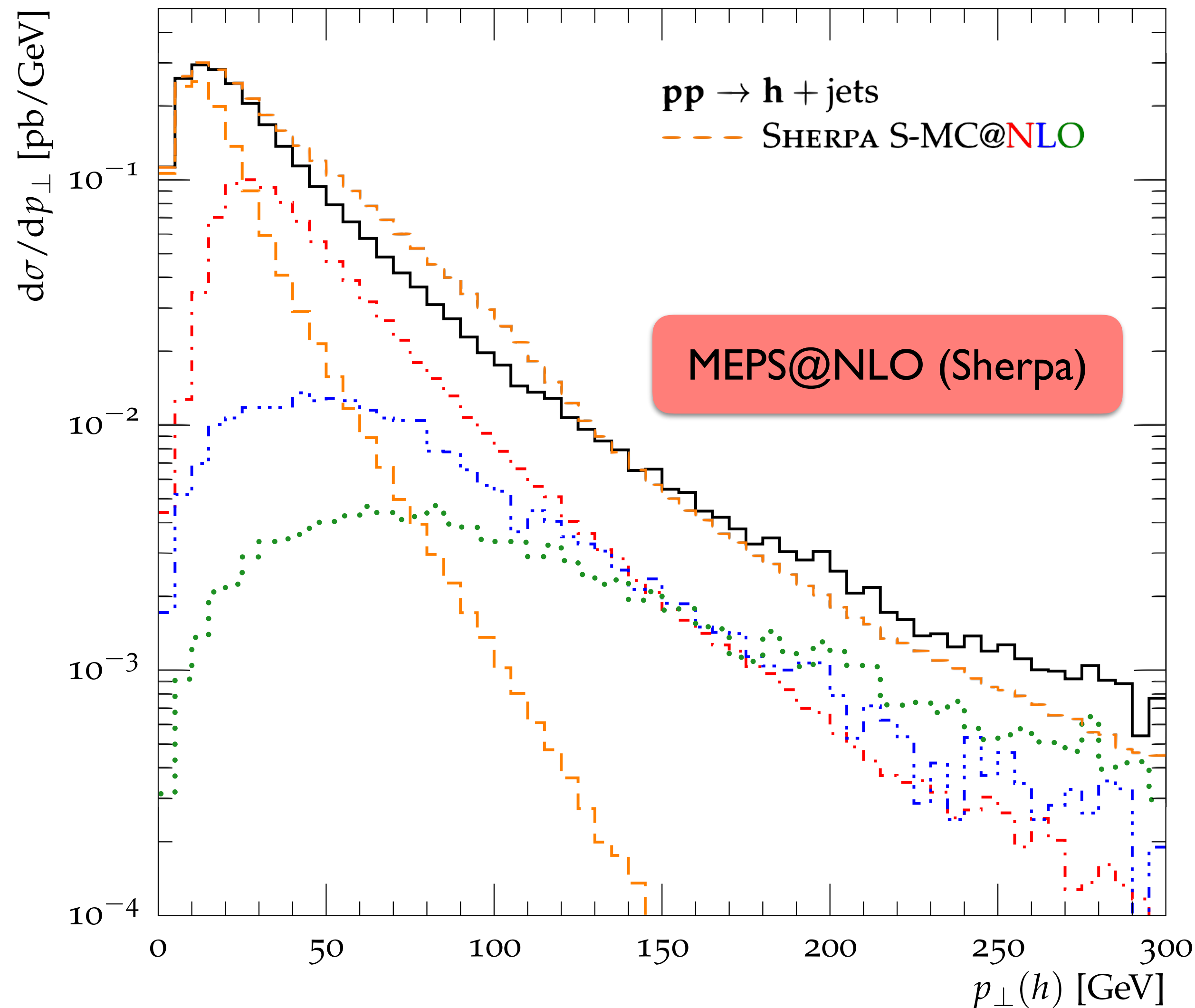
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- ◆ high p_{T} receives multiple contributions

NLO+PS merging: Example #1

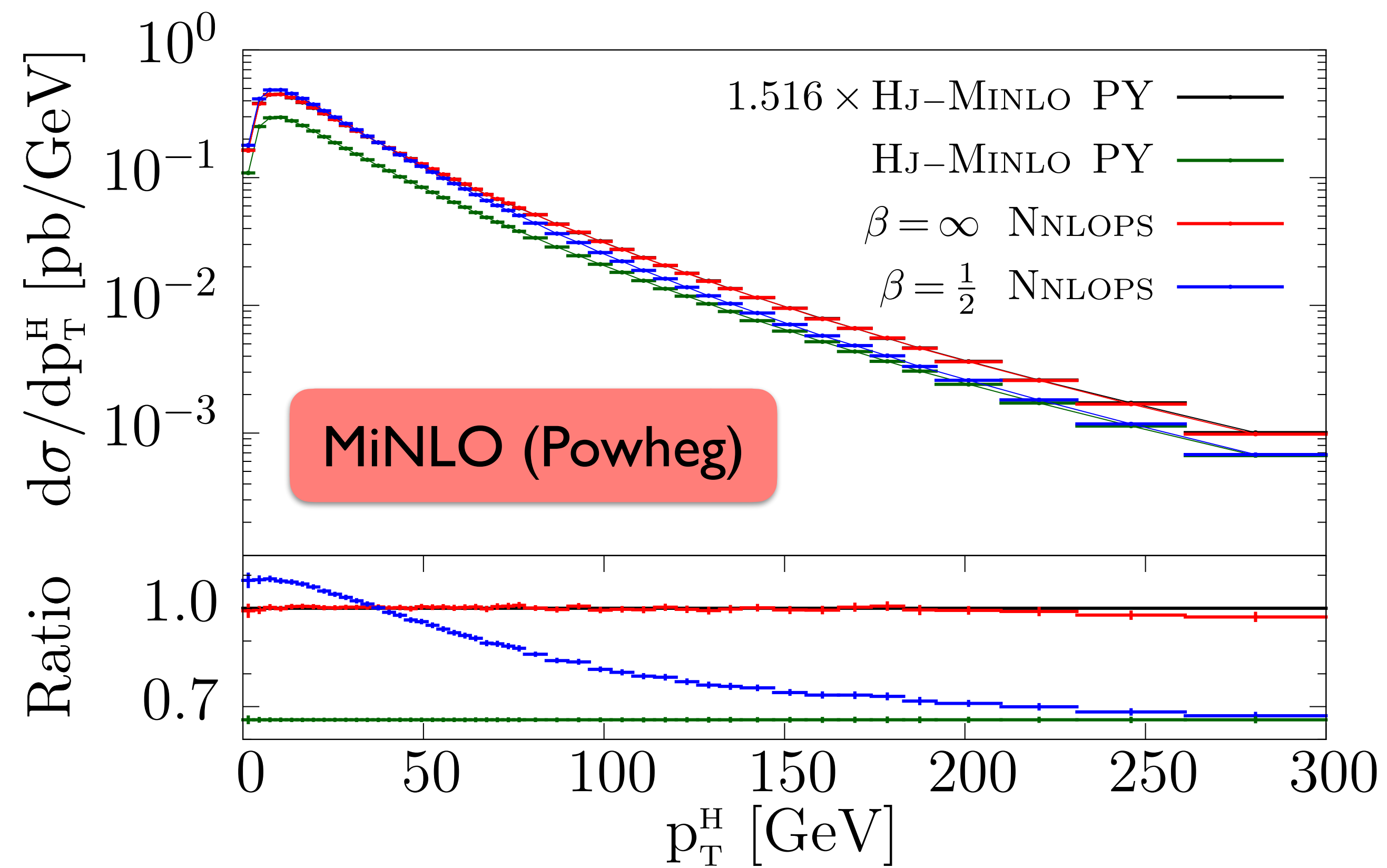
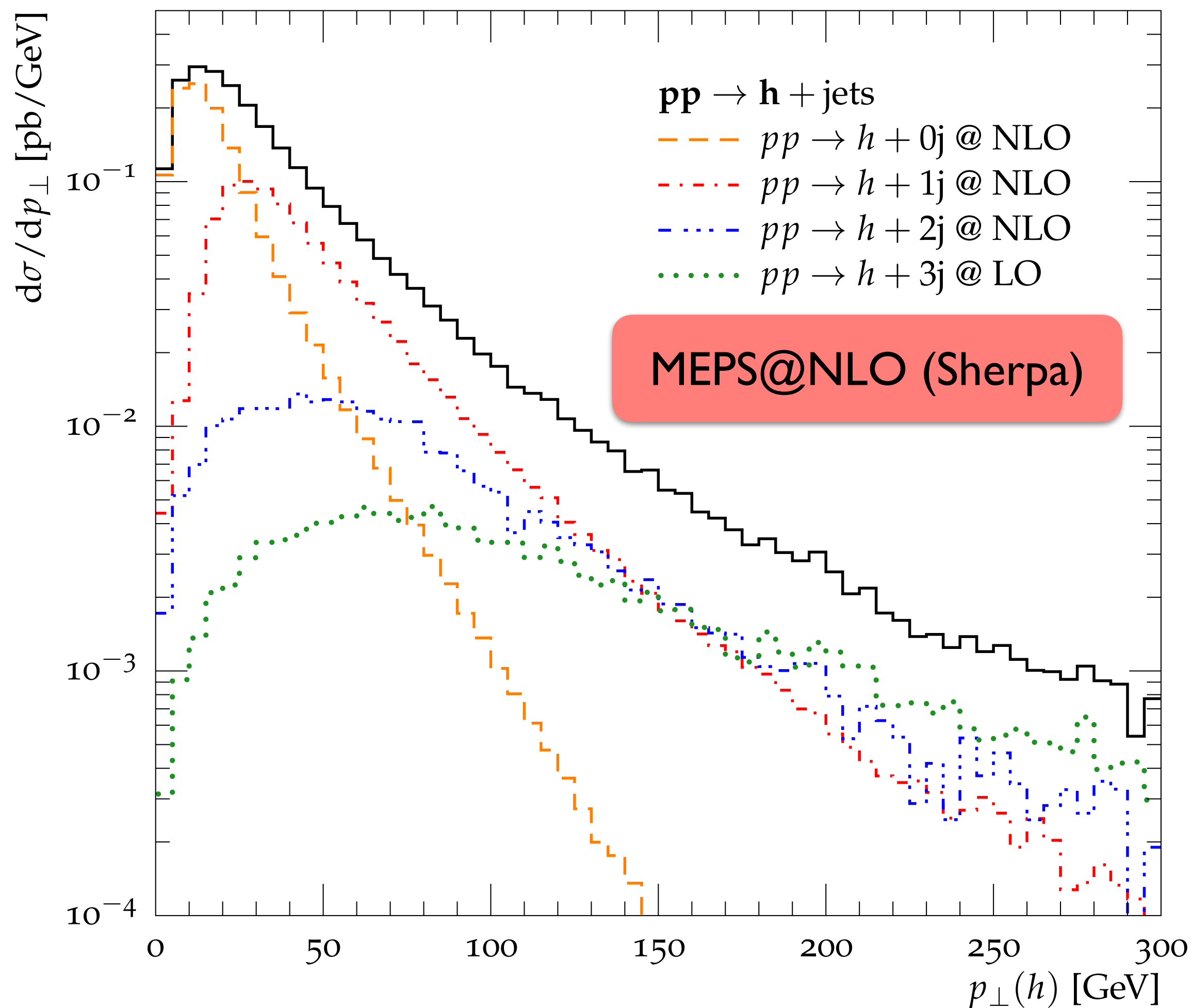
Transverse momentum of the Higgs boson



- ◆ start from MC@NLO for Higgs+0-jet
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 - ➔ restrict extra emission $r_2 < Q_{\text{cut}}$
- ◆ LO+PS for Higgs+3-jet for $r_2 > Q_{\text{cut}}$ (MEPS@NLO/Sherpa specific)
 - ➔ no restriction on further radiation (keep PS)
- ◆ sum all together ➔ Higgs+0,1,2j@NLO+PS
- ◆ high p_{T} receives multiple contributions
- ◆ smoother than MC@NLO for Higgs+0-jet

NLO+PS merging: Example #2

Transverse momentum of the Higgs boson

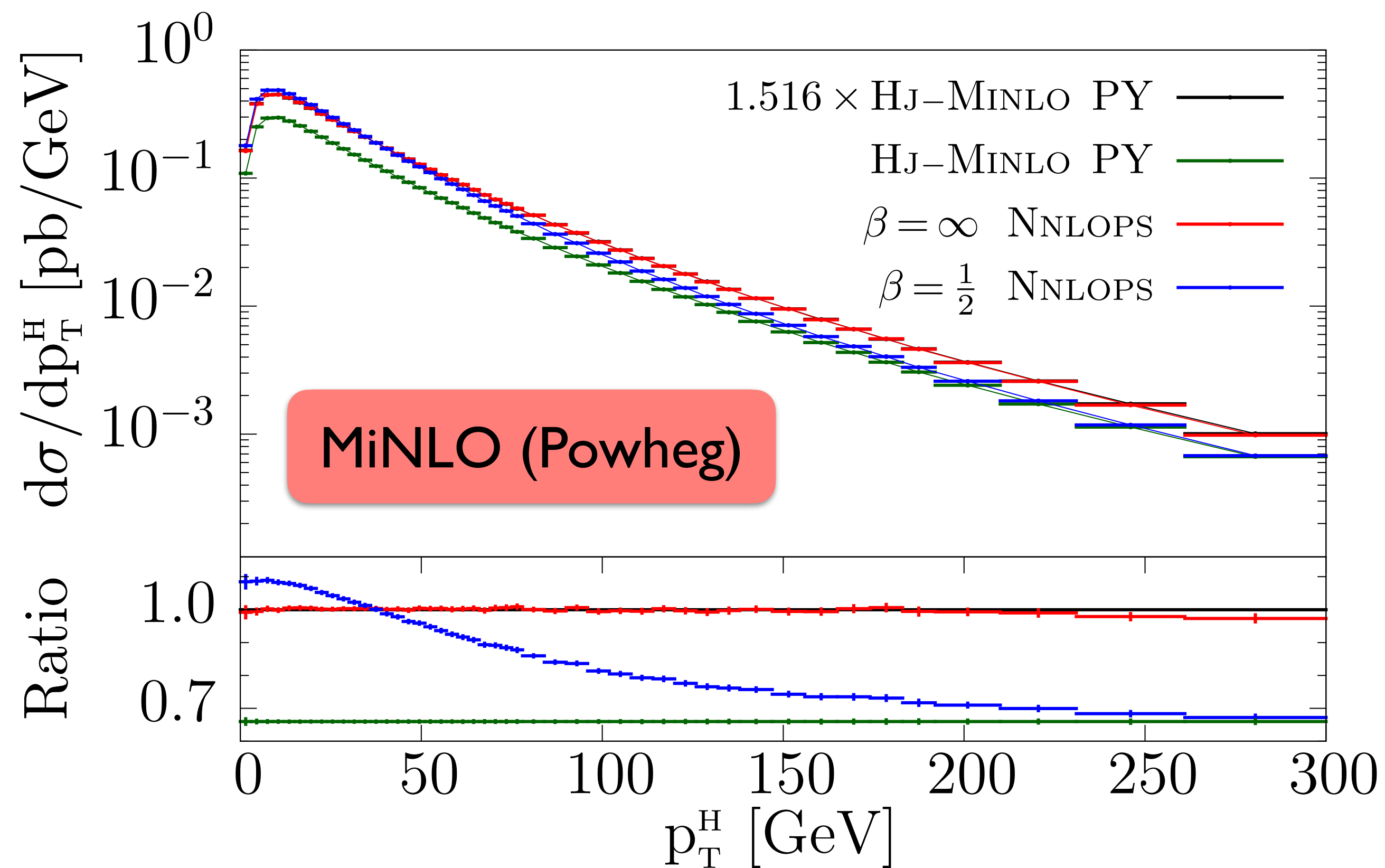
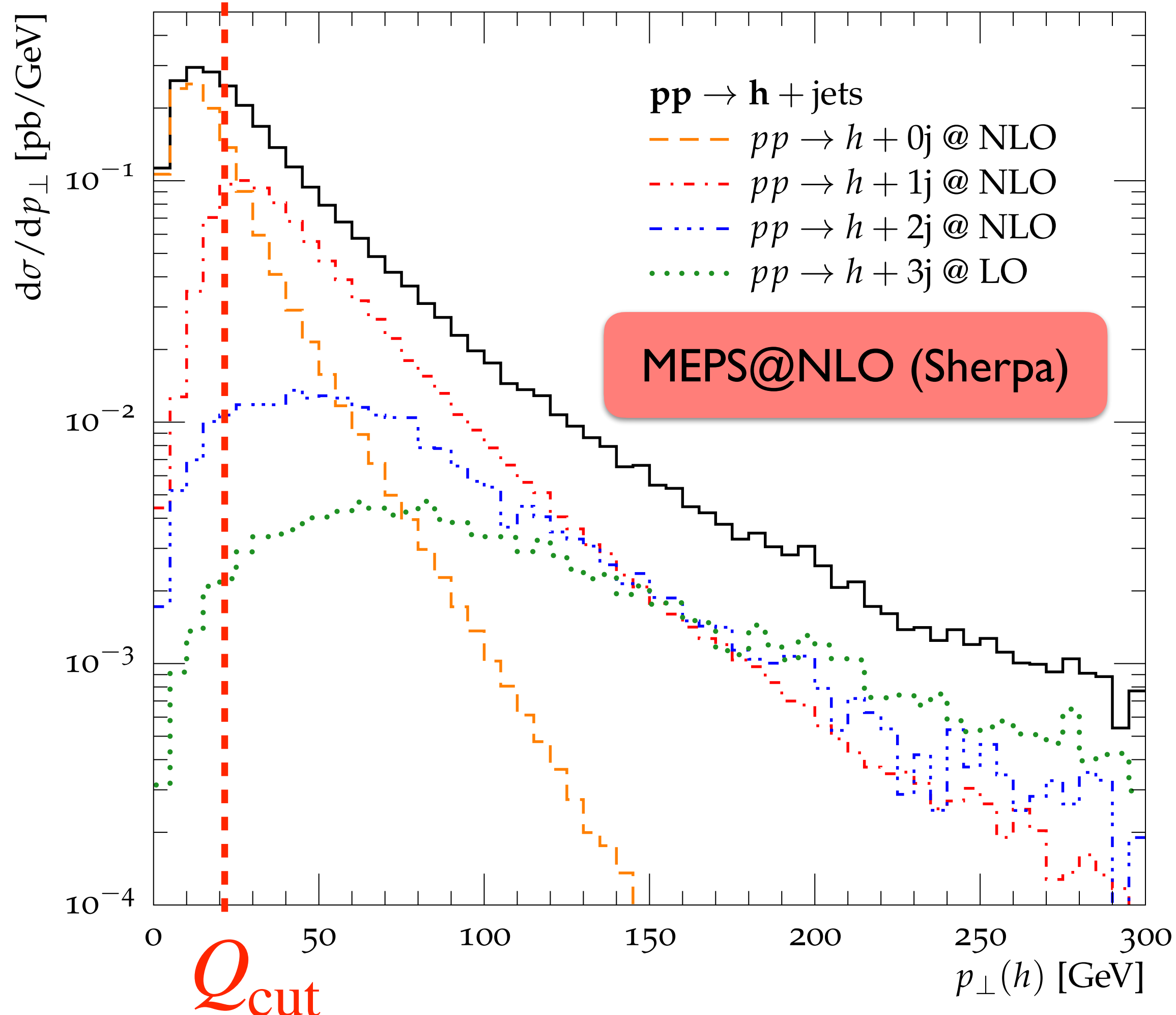


$$p_{\perp}(h) \simeq H+1\text{-jet}$$

NLO+PS merging: Example #2

LO(+PS) | NLO(+PS)

Transverse momentum of the Higgs boson

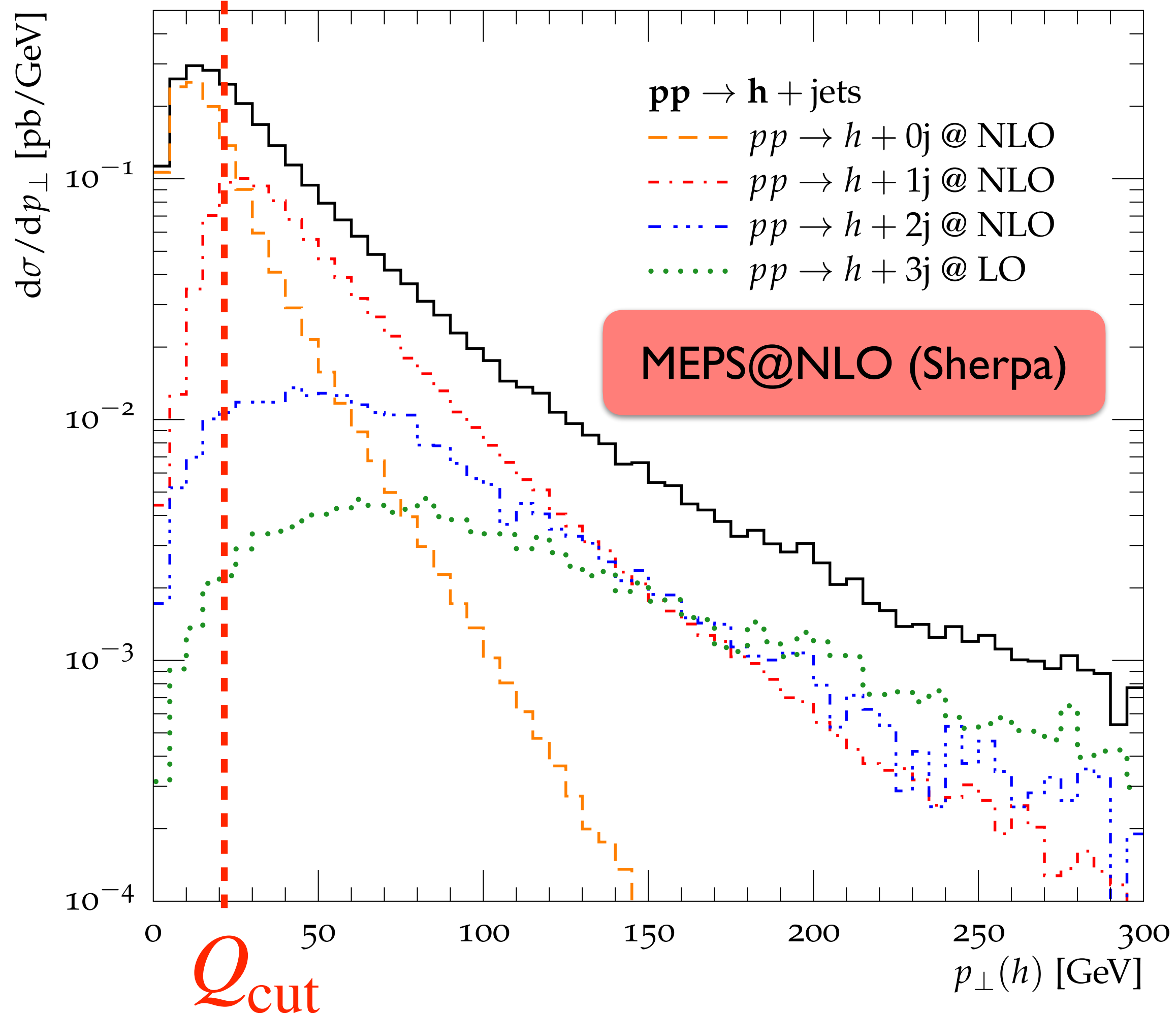


$p_{\perp}(h) \simeq H+I\text{-jet}$

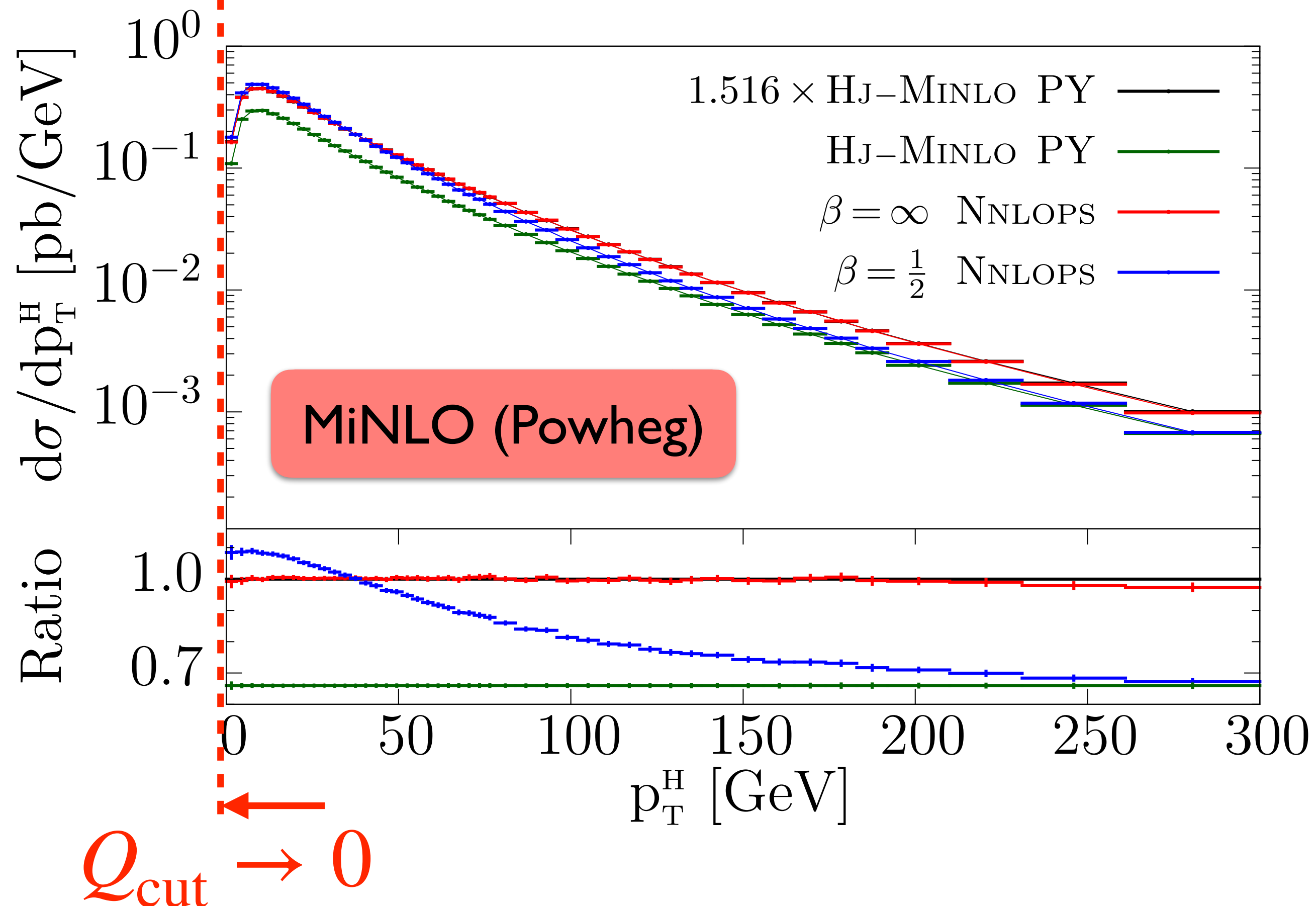
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Transverse momentum of the Higgs boson



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no merging scale!

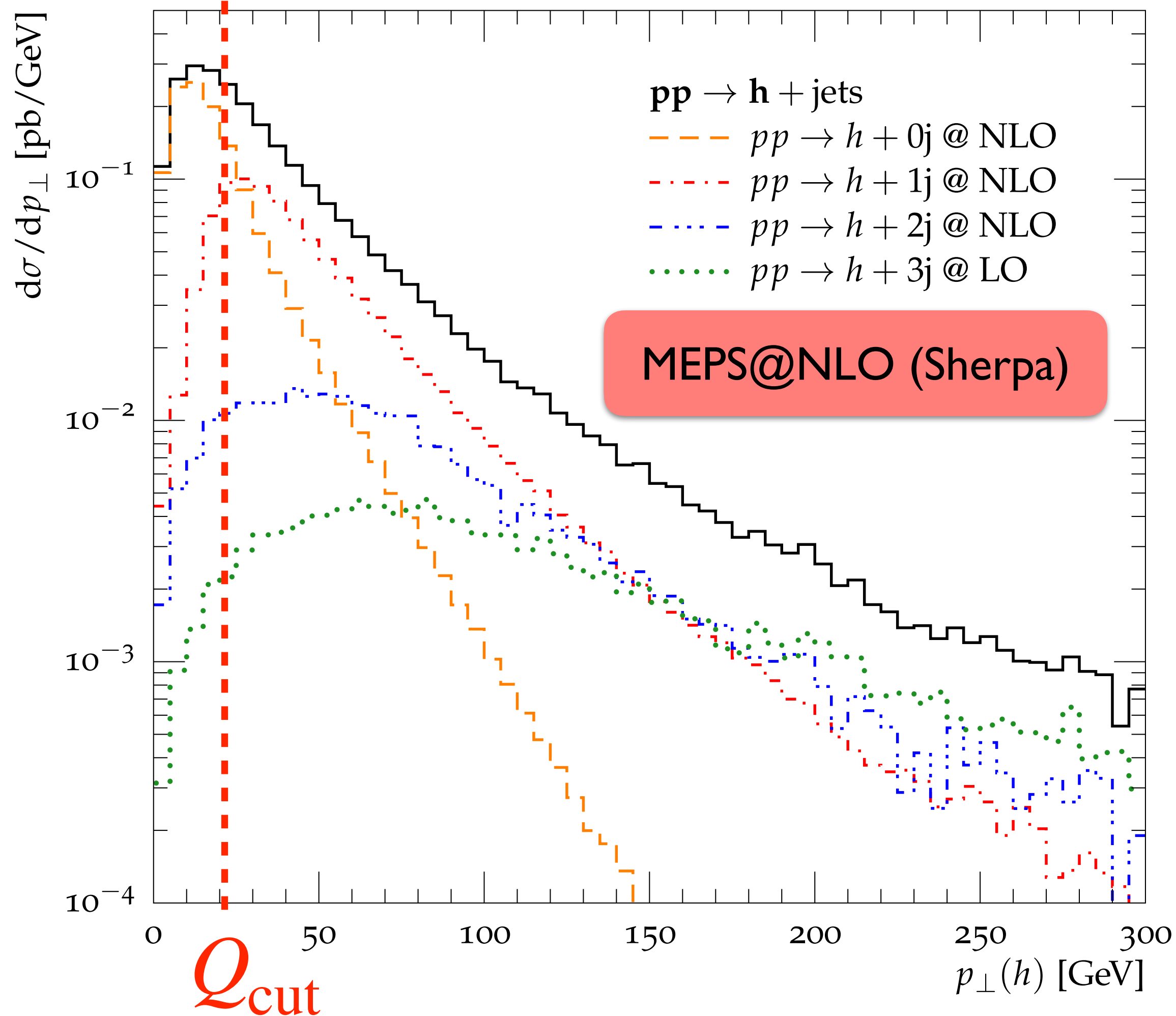
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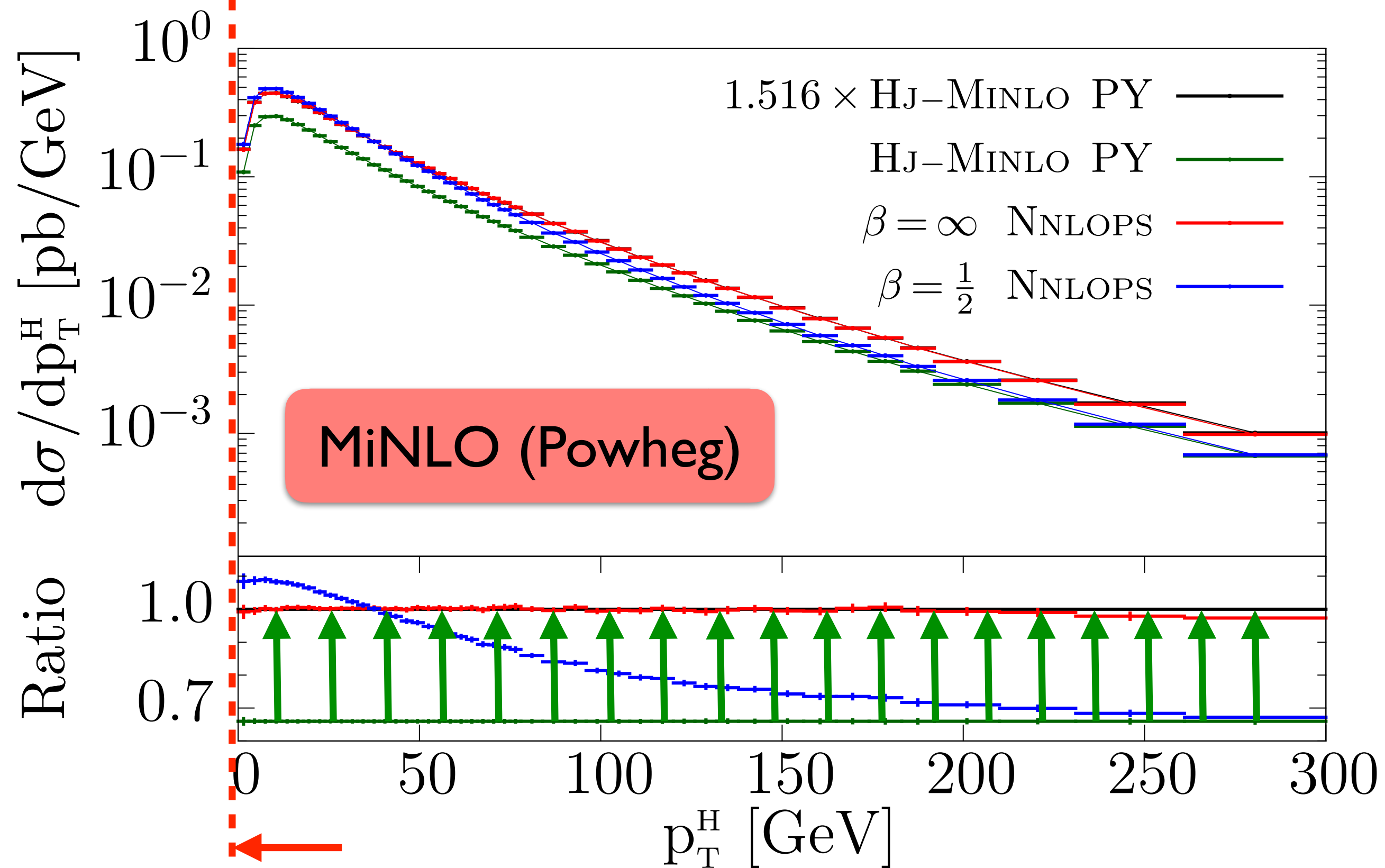
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Transverse momentum of the Higgs boson



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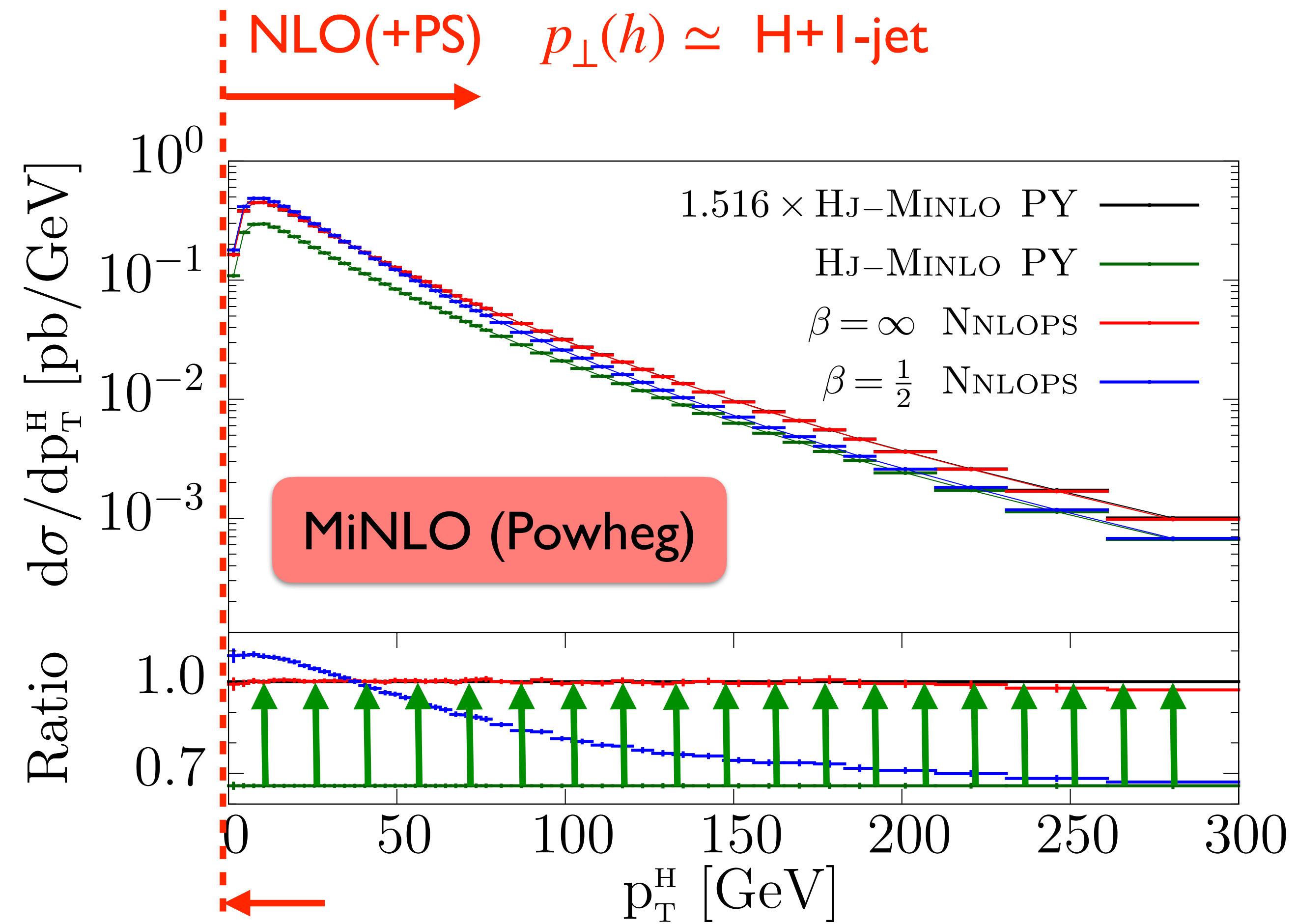
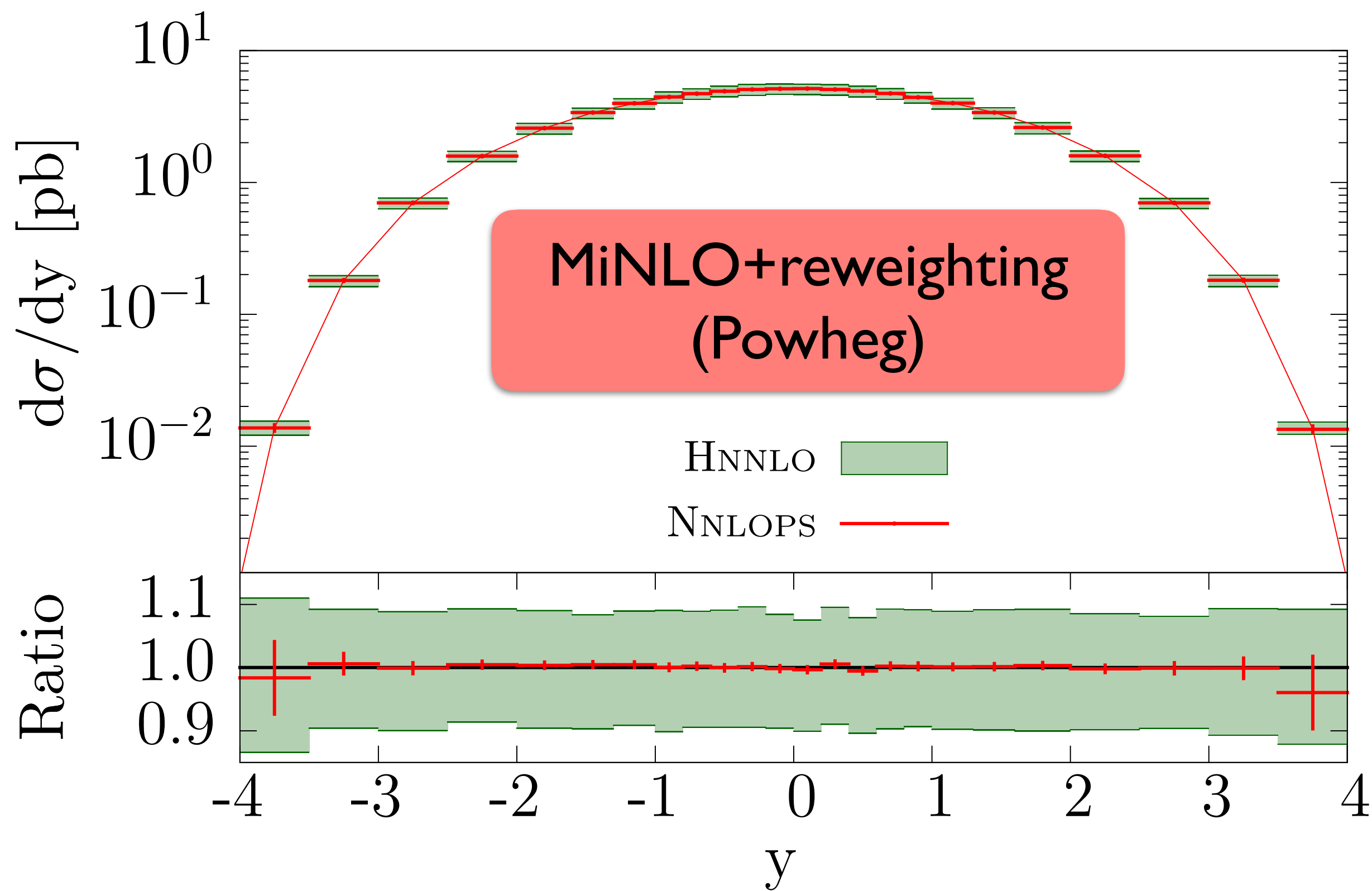


$Q_{\text{cut}} \rightarrow 0$

no merging scale!

use reweighting to NNLO
(fully differential in Born)

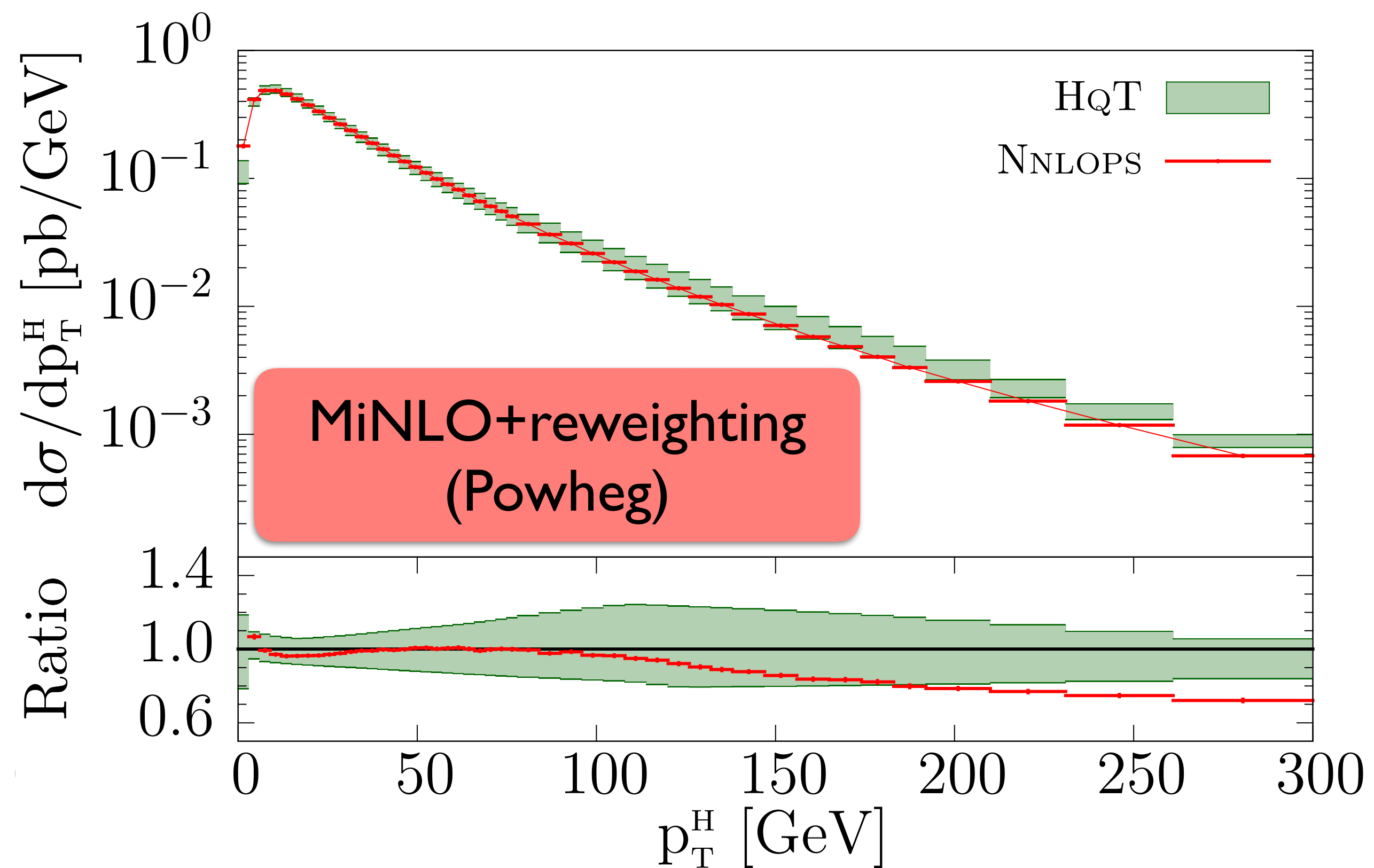
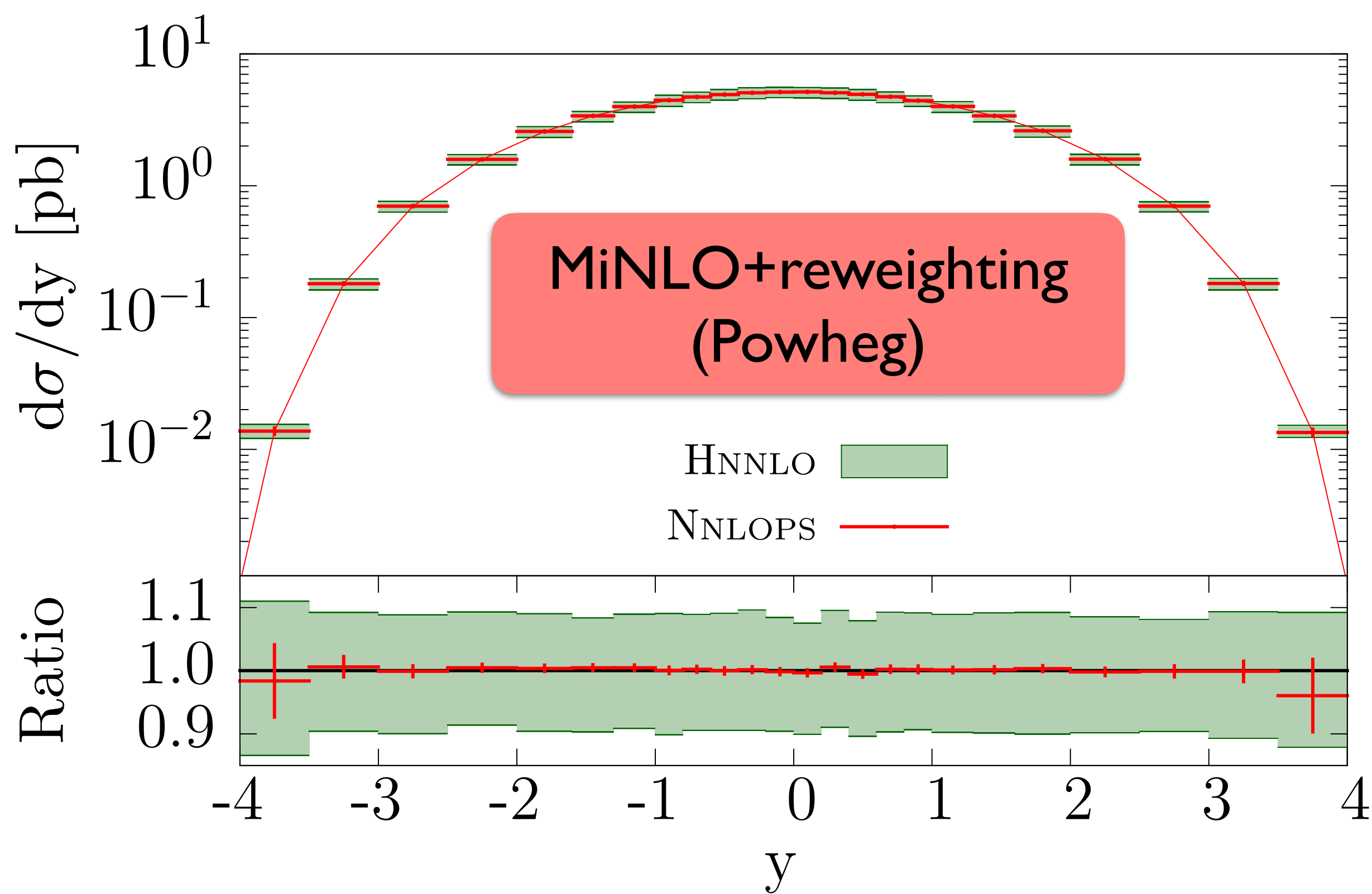
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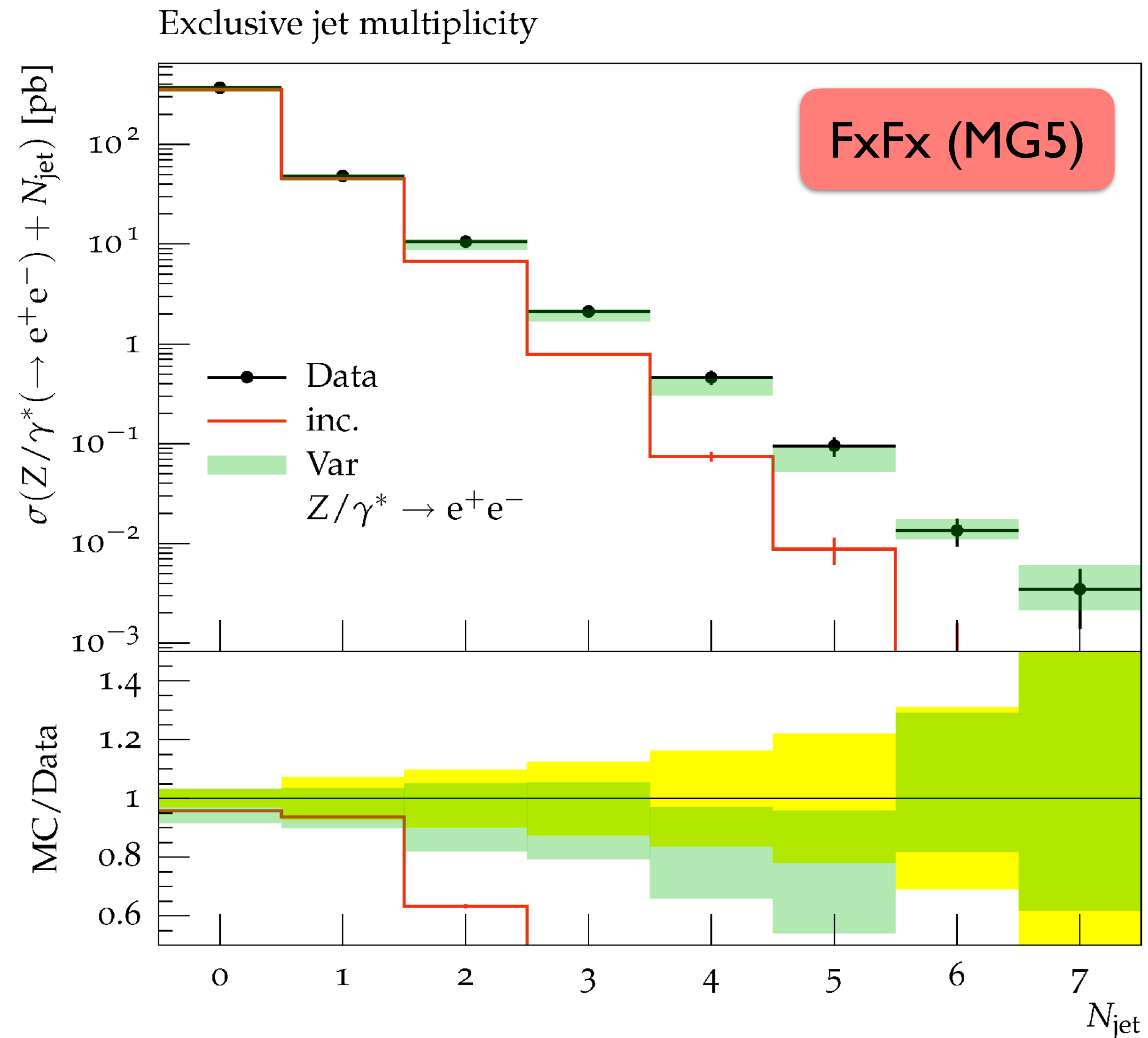
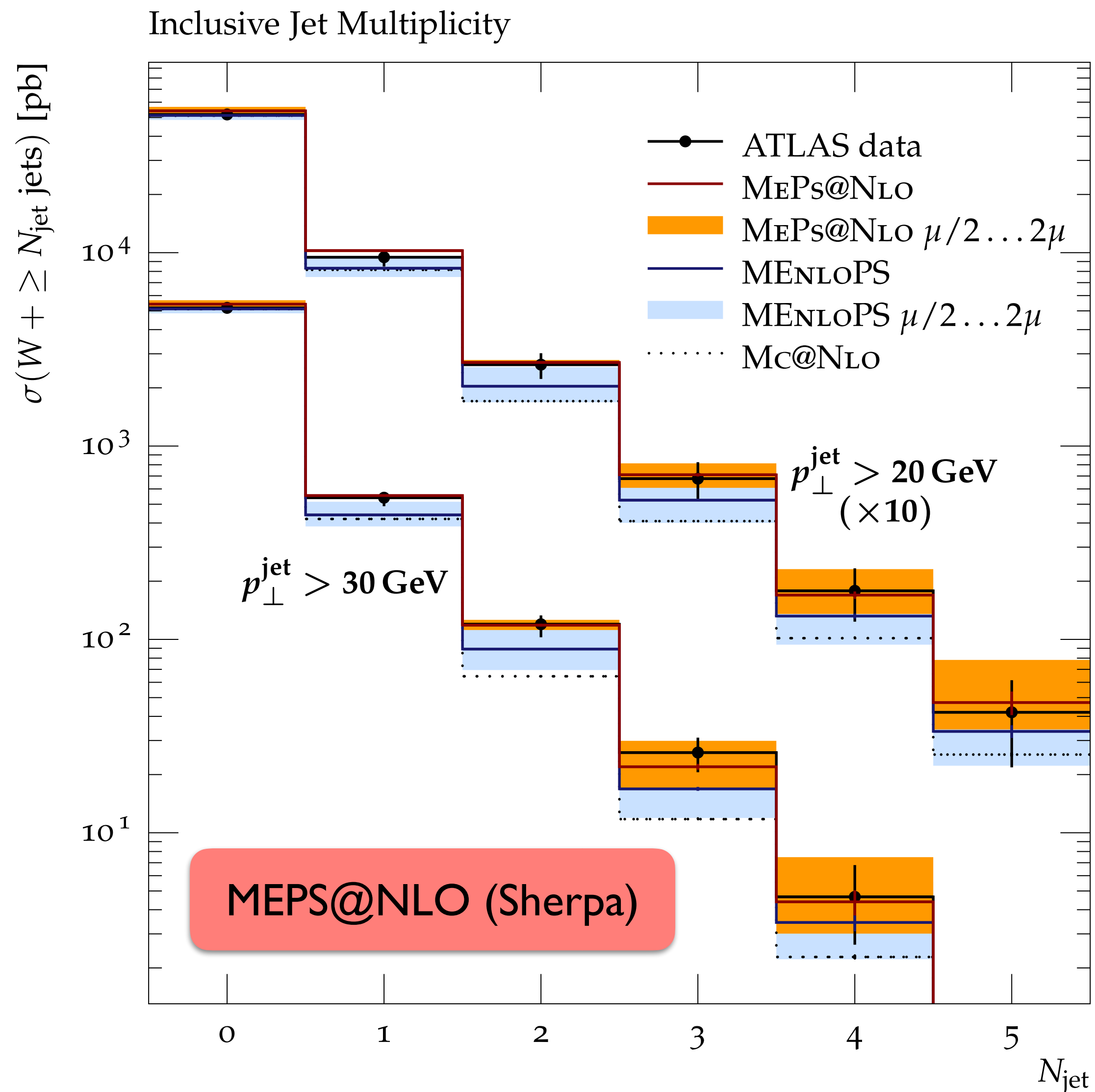
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NLO+PS merging: Example #2



NLO+PS merging: Example #3



Questions?



NNLO+PS: What do we want to achieve?

- ▶ **NNLO accuracy** for observables inclusive on radiation. $[d\sigma/dy_F]$
- ▶ **NLO(LO) accuracy** for $F + 1(2)$ jet observables (in the hard region). $[d\sigma/dp_{T,j_1}]$
 - appropriate scale choice for each kinematics regime
- ▶ **resummation** from the Parton Shower (PS) $[\sigma(p_{T,j} < p_{T,veto})]$
- ▶ preserve the PS accuracy (leading log - LL)
 - possibly, no merging scale required.

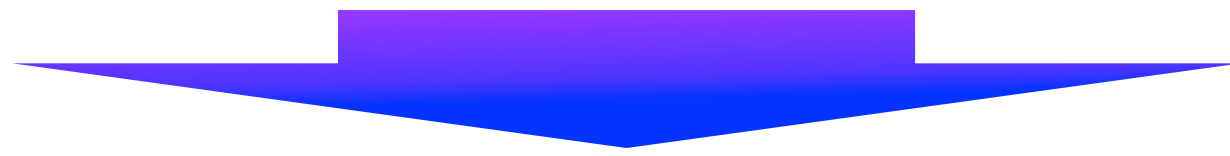
	X	X+jet	X+2jets	X+nj (n>2)
XJ (NLO)	—	NLO	LO	—
XJ-MiNLO	NLO	NLO	LO	PS
X@NNLO	NNLO	NLO	LO	—
X@NNLOPS	NNLO	NLO	LO	PS

NNLO+PS methods

NNLOPS: MiNLO+reweighting

[Hamilton, Nason, Oleari, Zanderighi '12, + Re '13], [Karlberg, Re, Zanderighi '14]

- ◆ LL accuracy (+ simple NLL terms) from PS
- ◆ no new unphysical scale (i.e. physically sound)
- ◆ numerically very intensive
- ◆ applied beyond $2 \rightarrow 1$ processes



MiNNLO_{PS}

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

- ◆ LL accuracy (+ simple NLL terms) from PS
- ◆ no new unphysical scale (i.e. physically sound)
- ◆ numerically efficient
- ◆ applied beyond $2 \rightarrow 1$ and even beyond colour singlet

Geneva

[Alioli, Bauer, Berggren, Tackmann, Walsh '15 + Zuberi '13]

- ◆ LL accuracy from PS (at most! no NNLL nonsense!)
- ◆ slicing cutoff (missing power corrections)
- ◆ numerical cancellations in slicing parameter
- ◆ applied beyond $2 \rightarrow 1$ processes

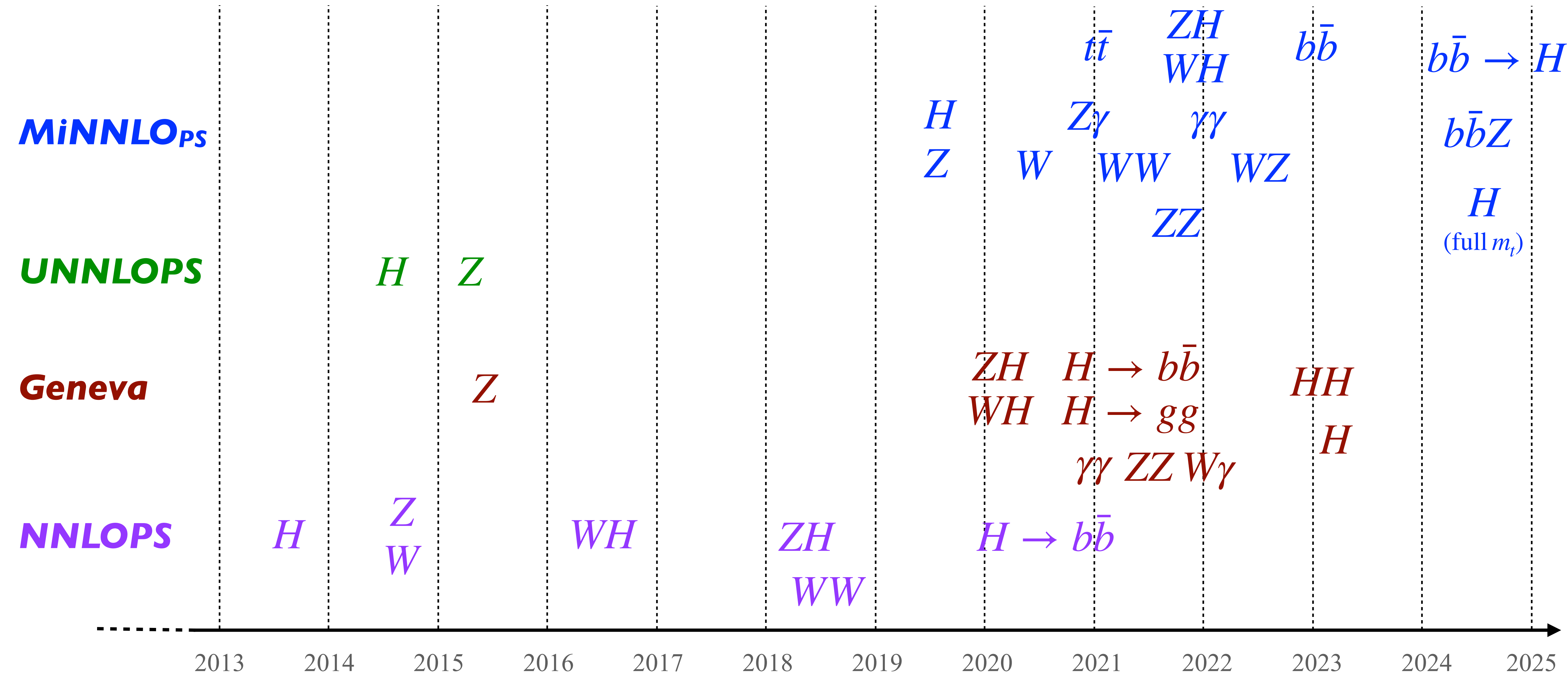
UNNLOPS

[Höche, Prestel '14 '15]

- ◆ extension of UNLOPS merging of event samples
- ◆ two-loop corrections entirely in 0-jet bin
- ◆ only applied to $2 \rightarrow 1$ processes

there was also some recent progress on NNLO+PS for sector showers [Campbell, Höche, Li, Preuss, Slands '21]

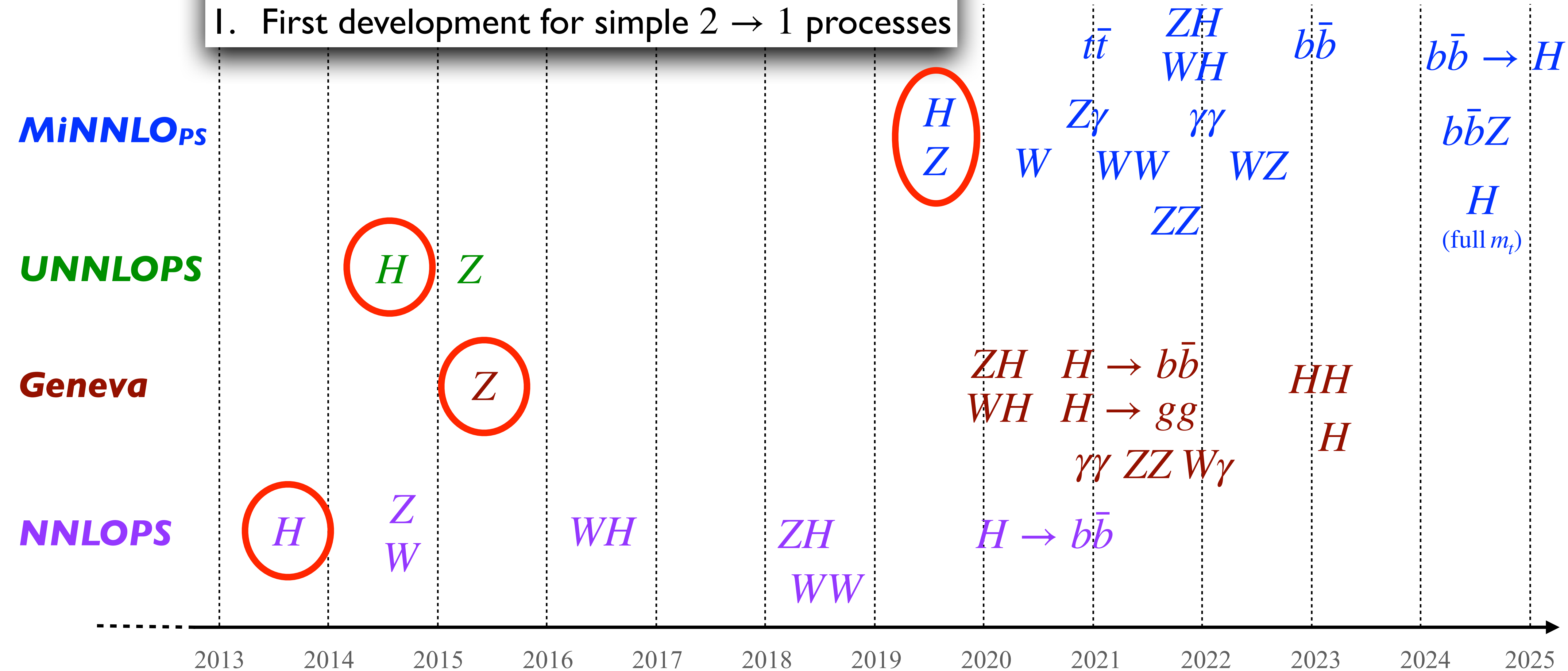
NNLO+PS timeline



NNLO+PS timeline

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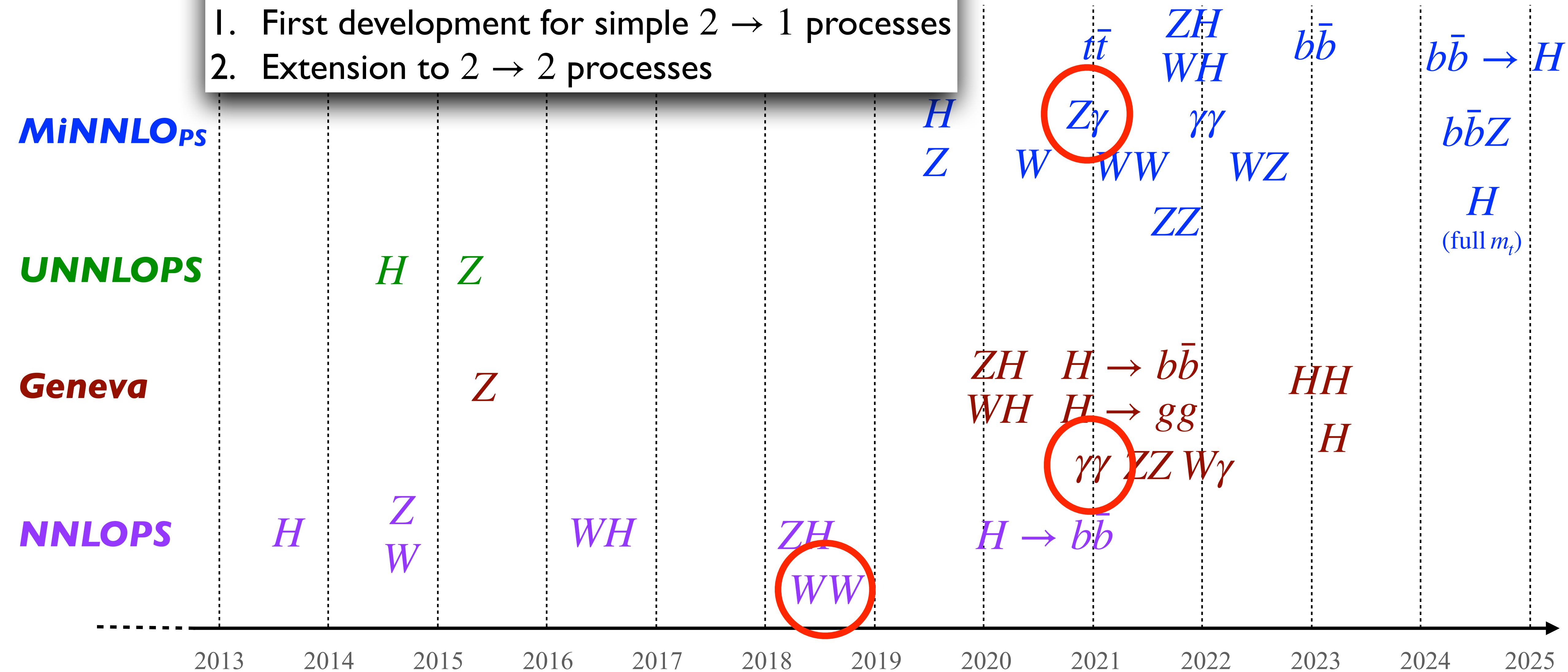
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NNLO+PS timeline

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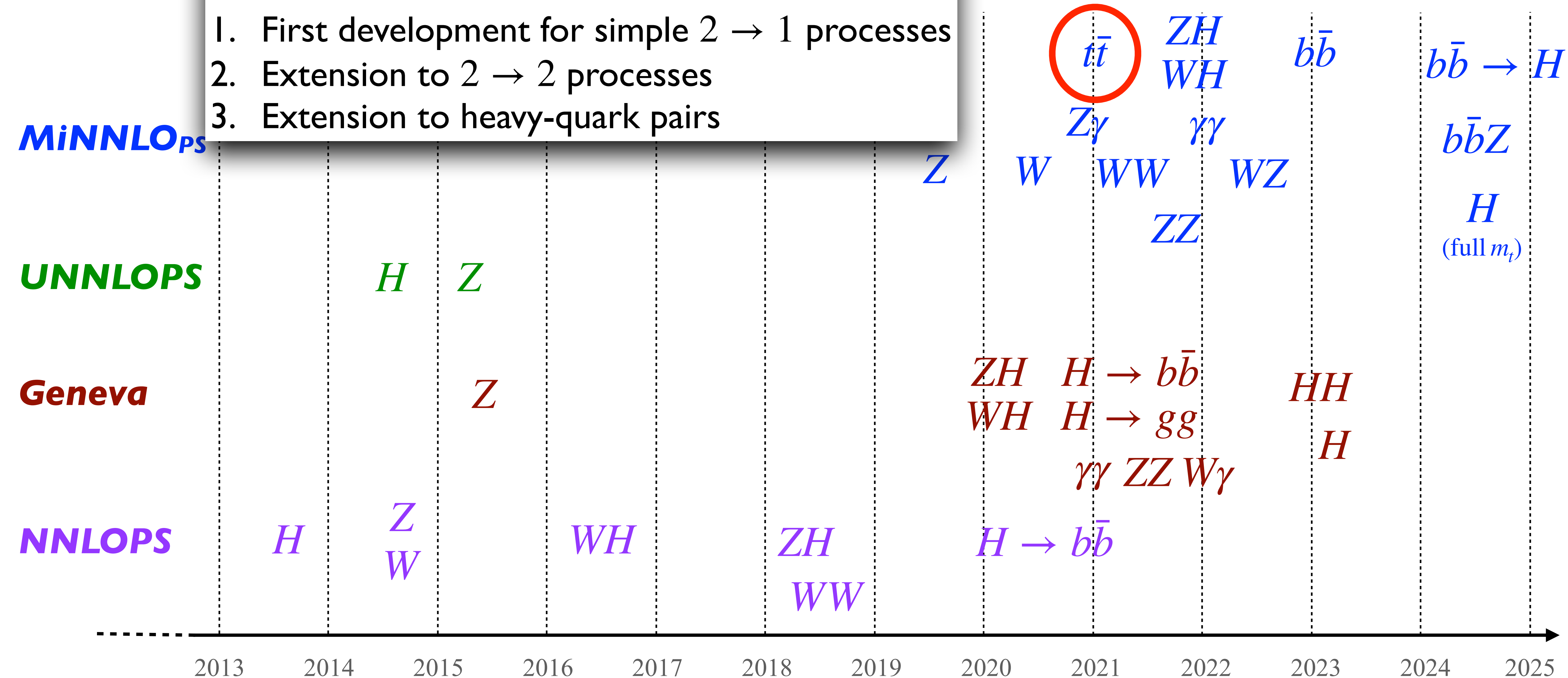
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NNLO+PS timeline

Milestones:

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2. Extension to $2 \rightarrow 2$ processes
3. Extension to heavy-quark pairs



NNLO+PS timeline

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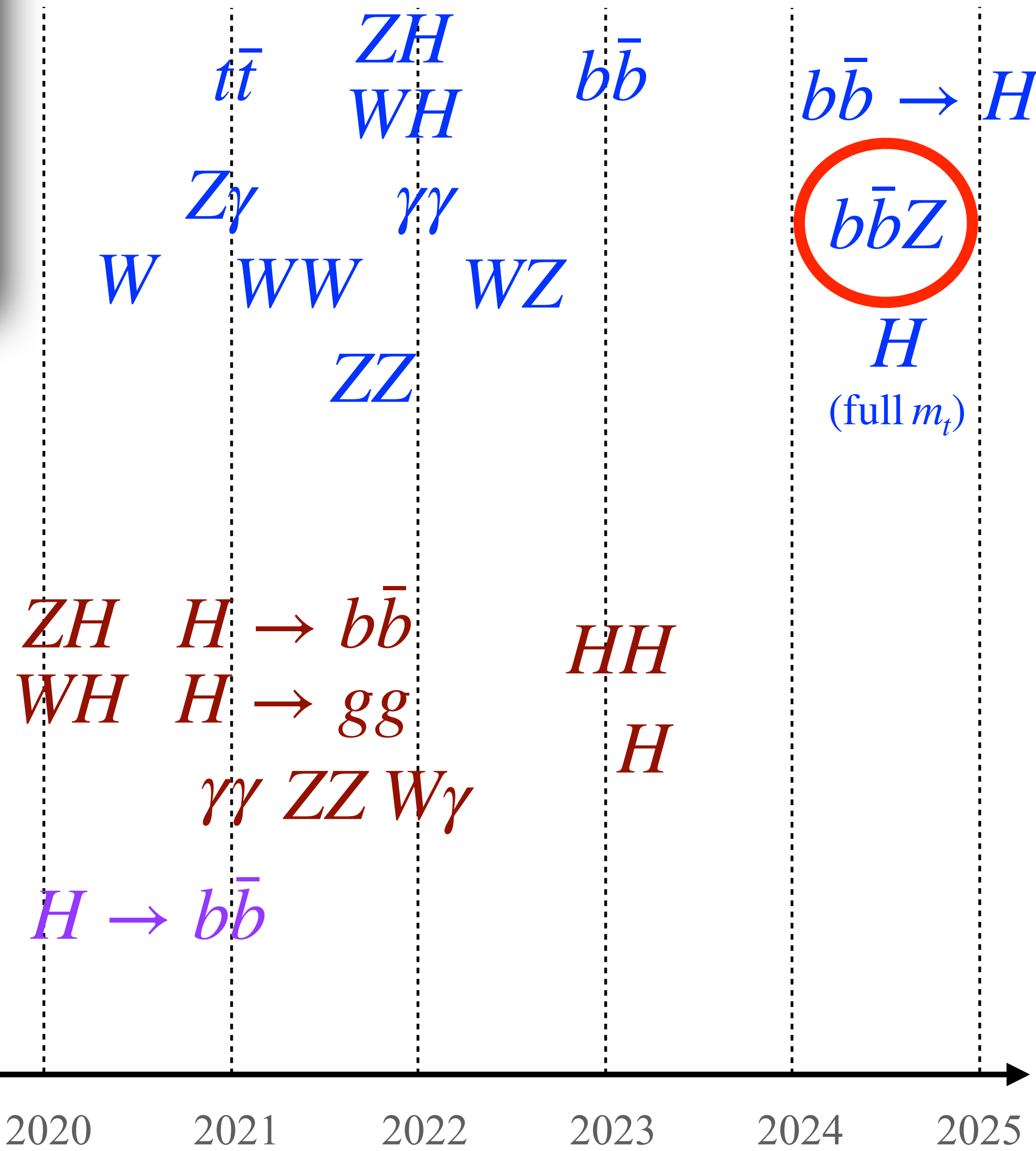
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NNLO+PS timeline

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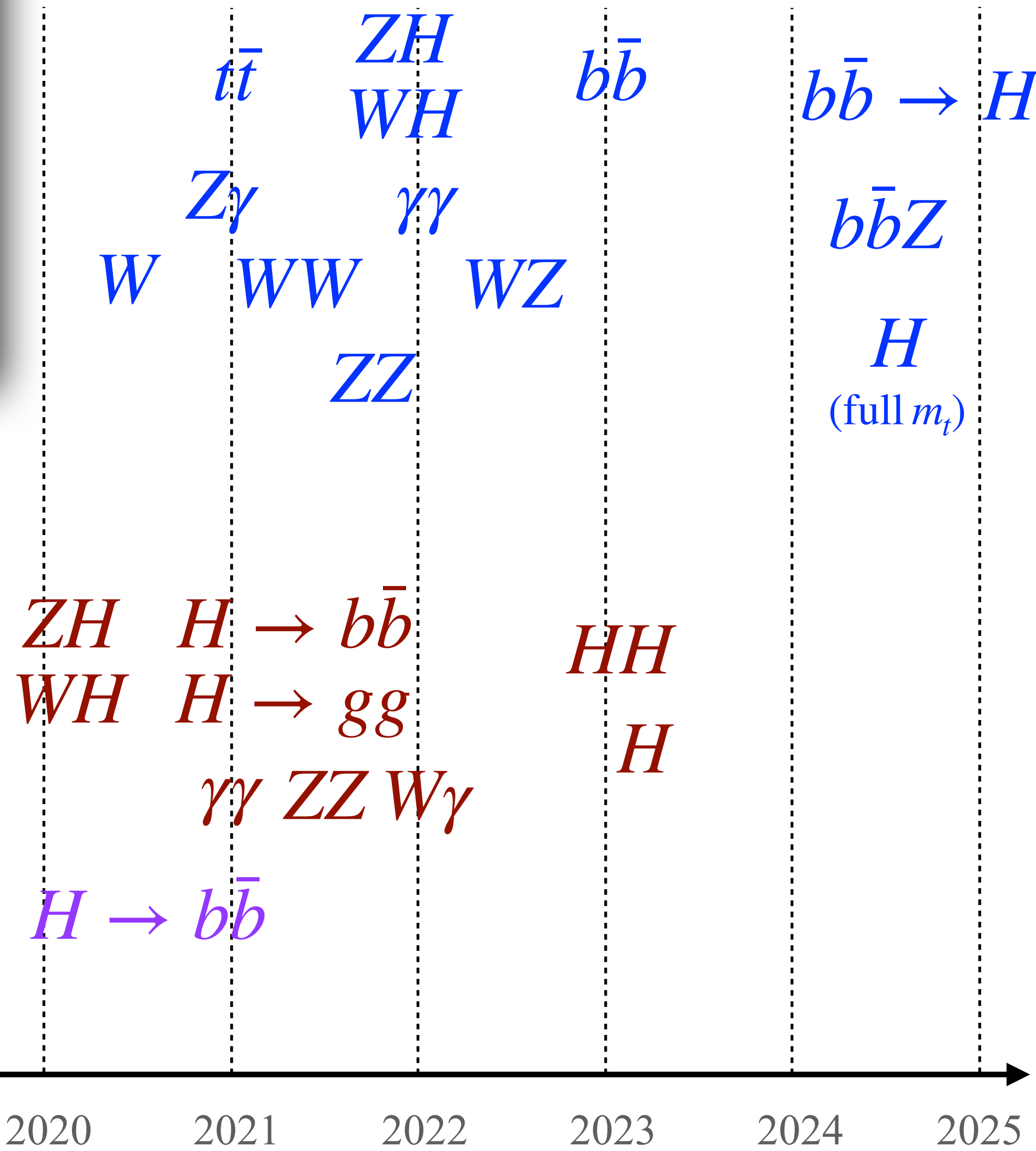
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5. ? next ? extension to jet processes ?

MINNLO_{PS}

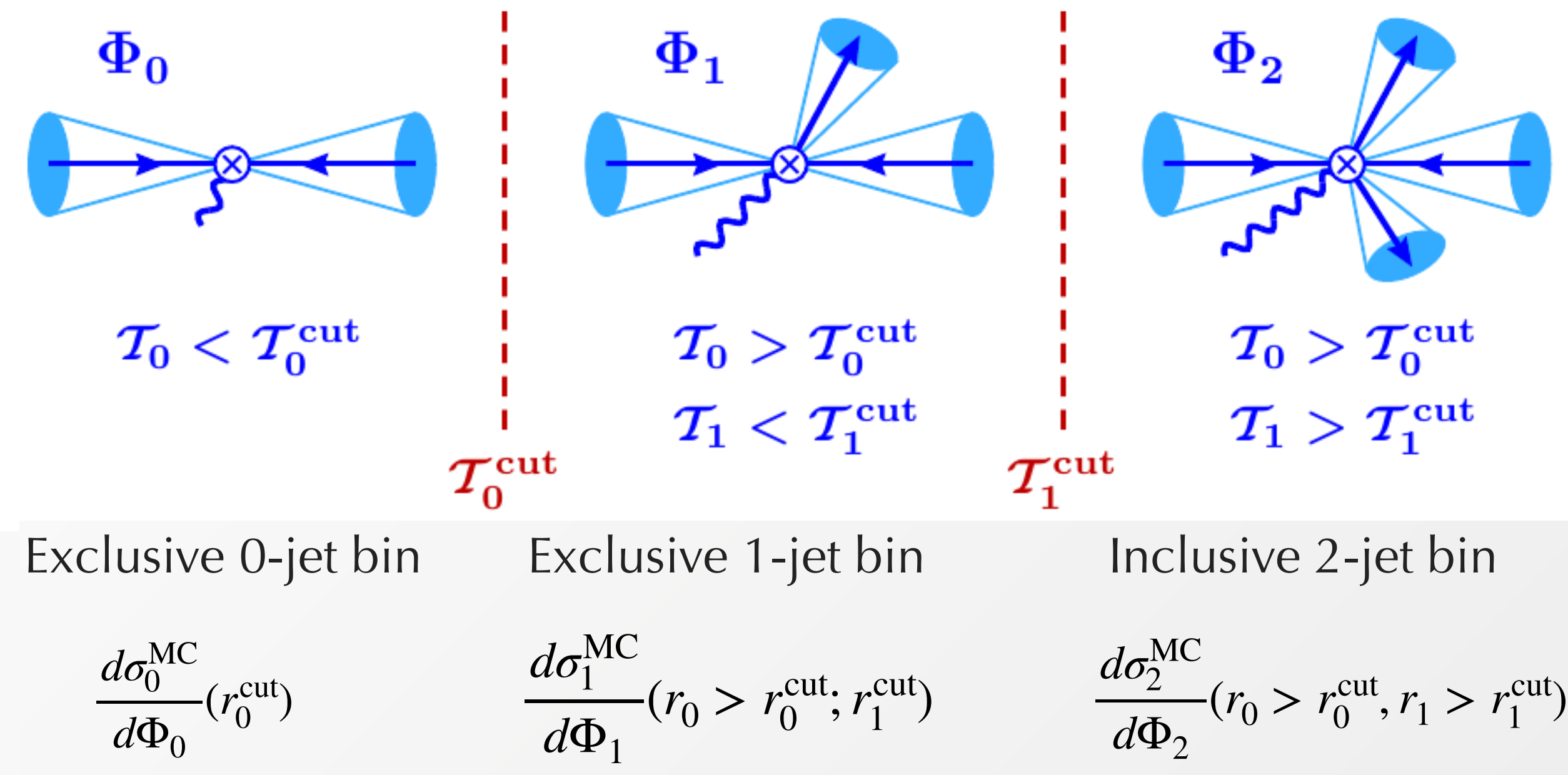
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$$d\sigma_F^{\text{MC}} = d\sigma_F^{\text{res}} + [d\sigma_{FJ}]_{\text{f.o.}} - [d\sigma_F^{\text{res}}]_{\text{f.o.}}$$

$$\frac{d\sigma_{FJ}^{\text{MC}}}{d\Phi_{FJ}}(r_0 > r_0^{\text{cut}}) = \frac{d\sigma^{\text{res}}}{d\Phi_F dr_0} \mathcal{P}(\Phi_{FJ}) + \frac{d\sigma^{\text{NLO}_{FJ}}}{d\Phi_{FJ}} - \left[\frac{d\sigma^{\text{res}}}{d\Phi_F dr_0} \mathcal{P}(\Phi_{FJ}) \right]_{\text{NLO}}$$

◆ essentially q_T slicing, but spread by splitting function \mathcal{P}

MiNLO+rew / MiNNLO_{PS}

◆ embedded in POWHEG, startin from F+jet

$$d\sigma_F^{\text{Mi(N)NLO}} = \tilde{B}^{\text{Mi(N)NLO}} \times \left\{ \Delta_{\text{pwg}} + d\Phi_{\text{rad}} \Delta_{\text{pwg}} \frac{R_{FJ}}{B_{FJ}} \right\}$$

◆ through modification of the \bar{B} function

$$\tilde{B}^{\text{MiNLO}} \sim e^{-S} \left\{ d\sigma_{FJ}^{(1)} (1 + S^{(1)}) + d\sigma_{FJ}^{(2)} \right\}$$

◆ inclusion of NNLO corrections:

1. multi-dim. event reweighting in Born phase space

$$W^{\text{NNLOPS}} \sim \frac{(d\sigma_F^{\text{NNLO}}/d\Phi_B)}{(d\sigma_F^{\text{MiNLO}}/d\Phi_B)} = \frac{c_0 + c_1\alpha_s + c_2\alpha_s^2}{c_0 + c_1\alpha_s + d_2\alpha_s^2} = 1 + \frac{c_2 - d_2}{c_0} \alpha_s^2 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3)$$

2. add relevant terms derived from resummation formula

$$\bar{B}^{\text{MiNNLO}_{\text{PS}}} \sim \bar{B}^{\text{MiNLO}} + e^{-S} \left\{ (D - D^{(1)} - D^{(2)}) \times F^{\text{corr}} \right\}$$

Comparison to high-precision Drell-Yan data

[CMS '22 - arXiv:2205.04897]

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[Alwall et al. '14]

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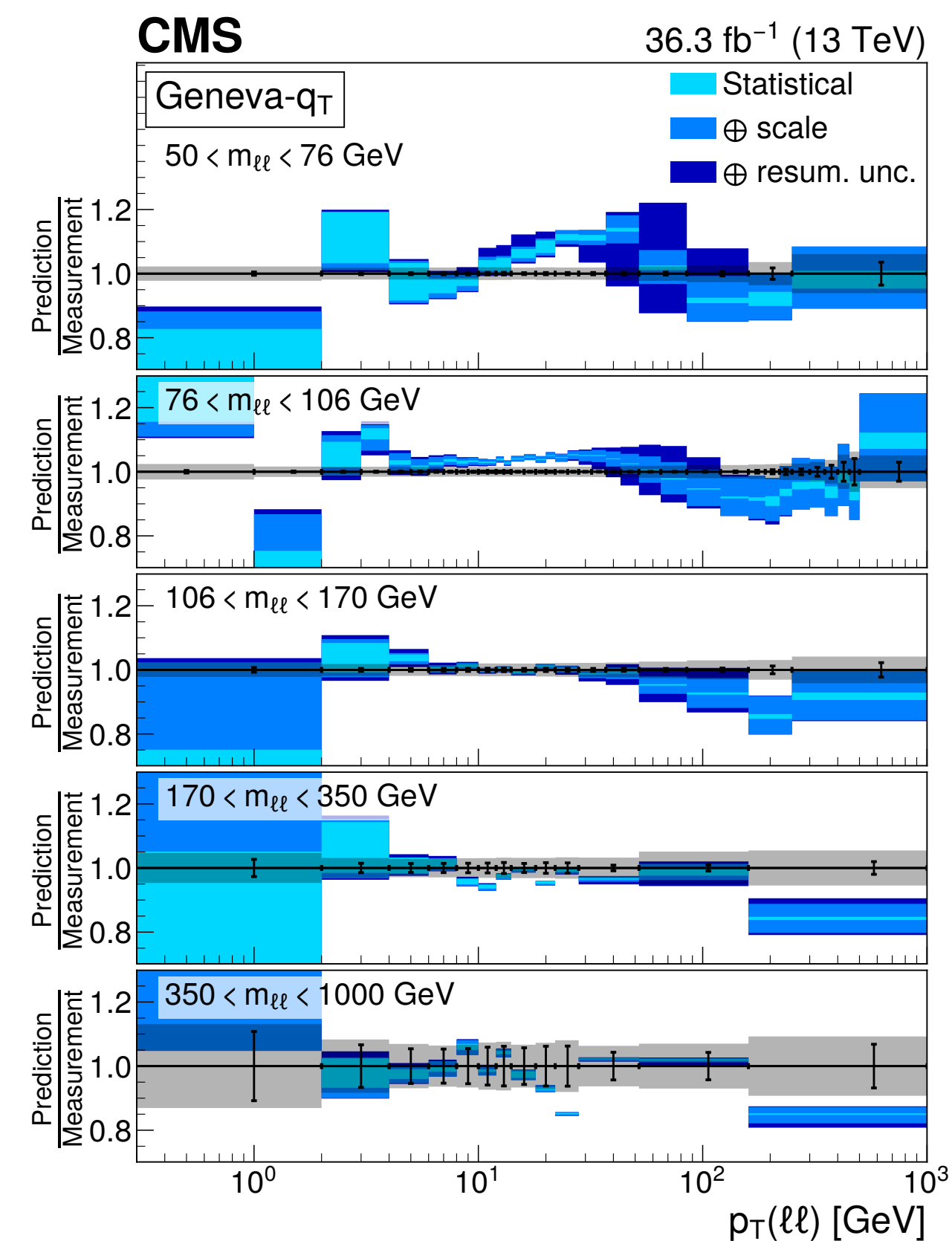
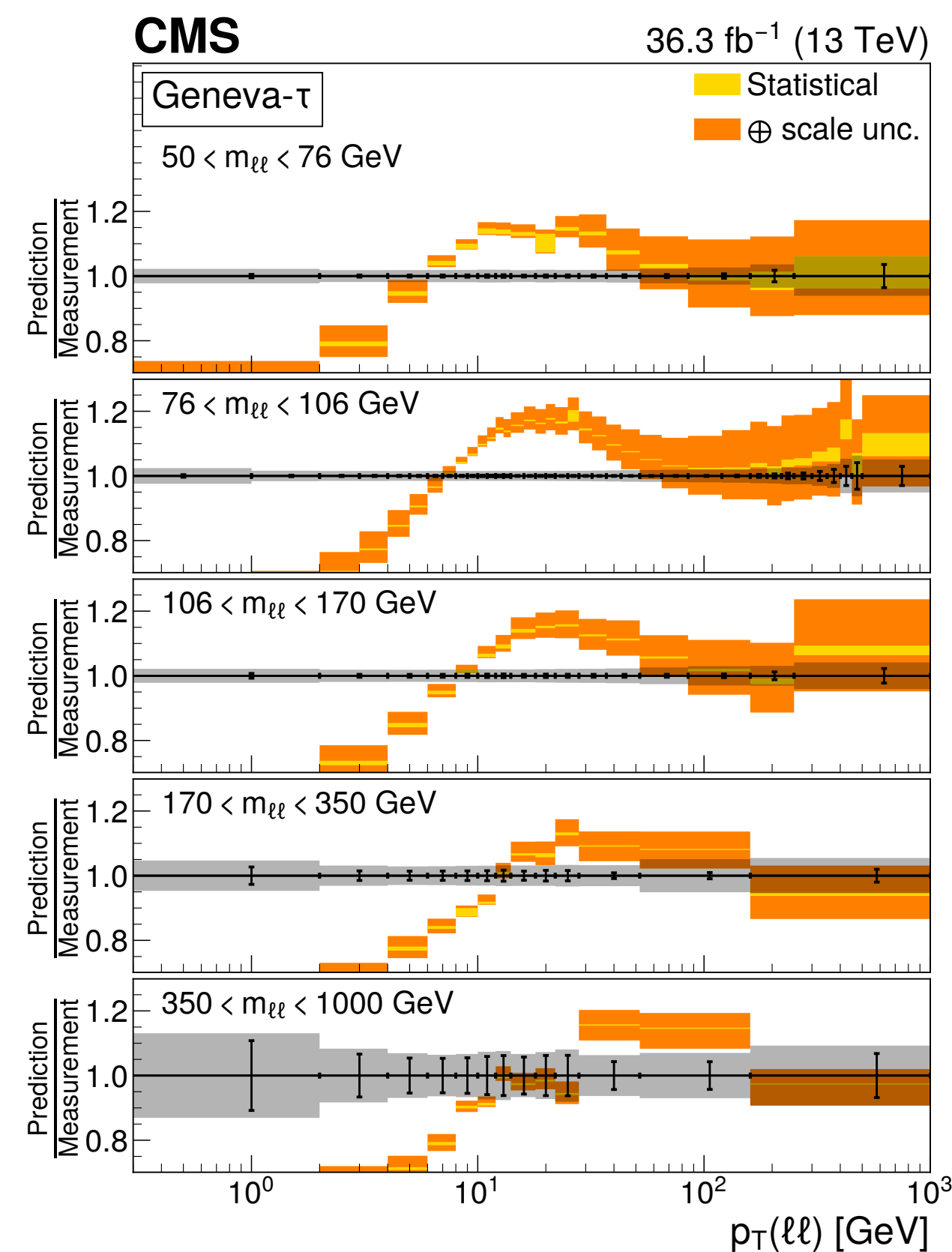
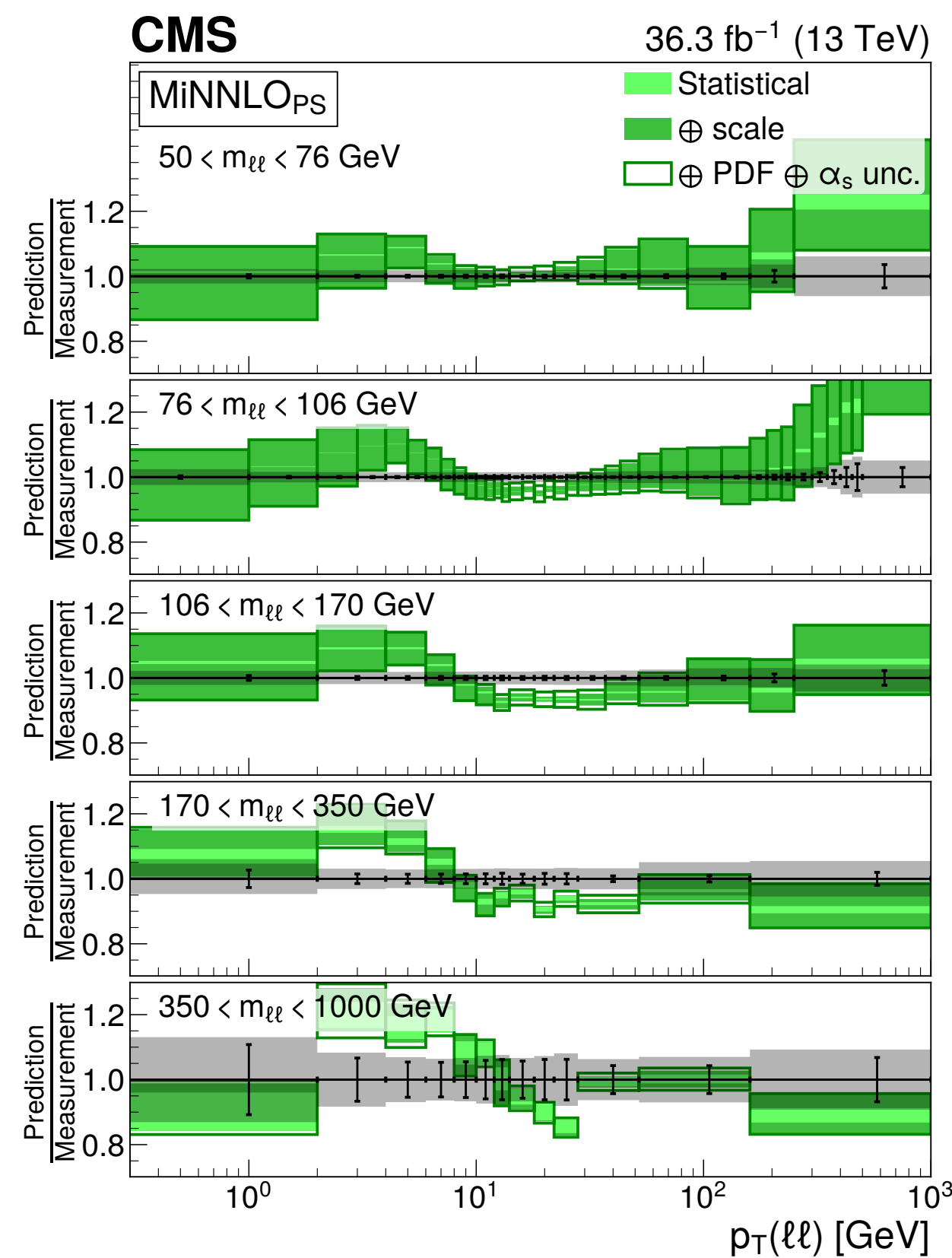
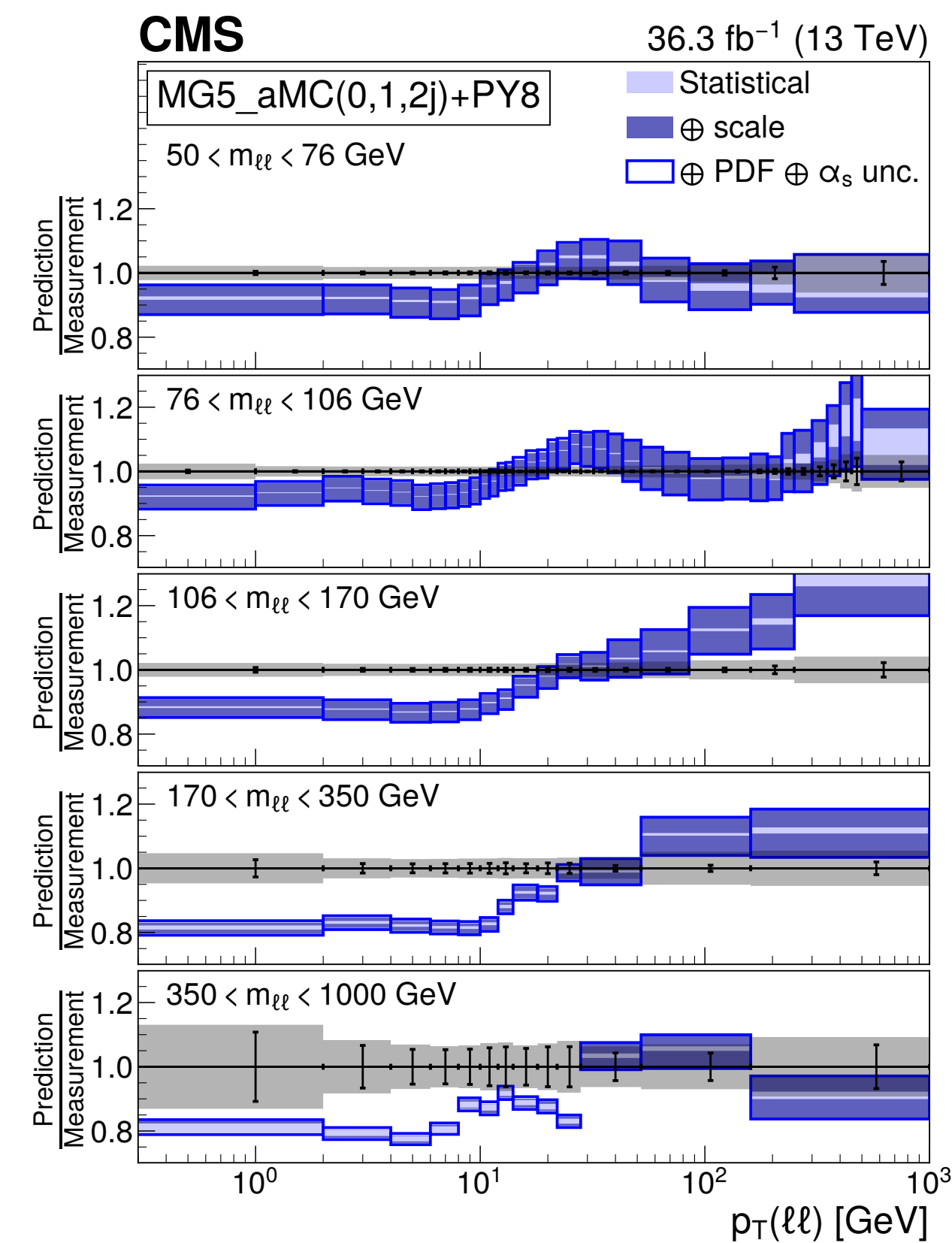
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[Monni, Re, MW '20]

Geneva- τ_0

[Alioli et al. '13 '15]

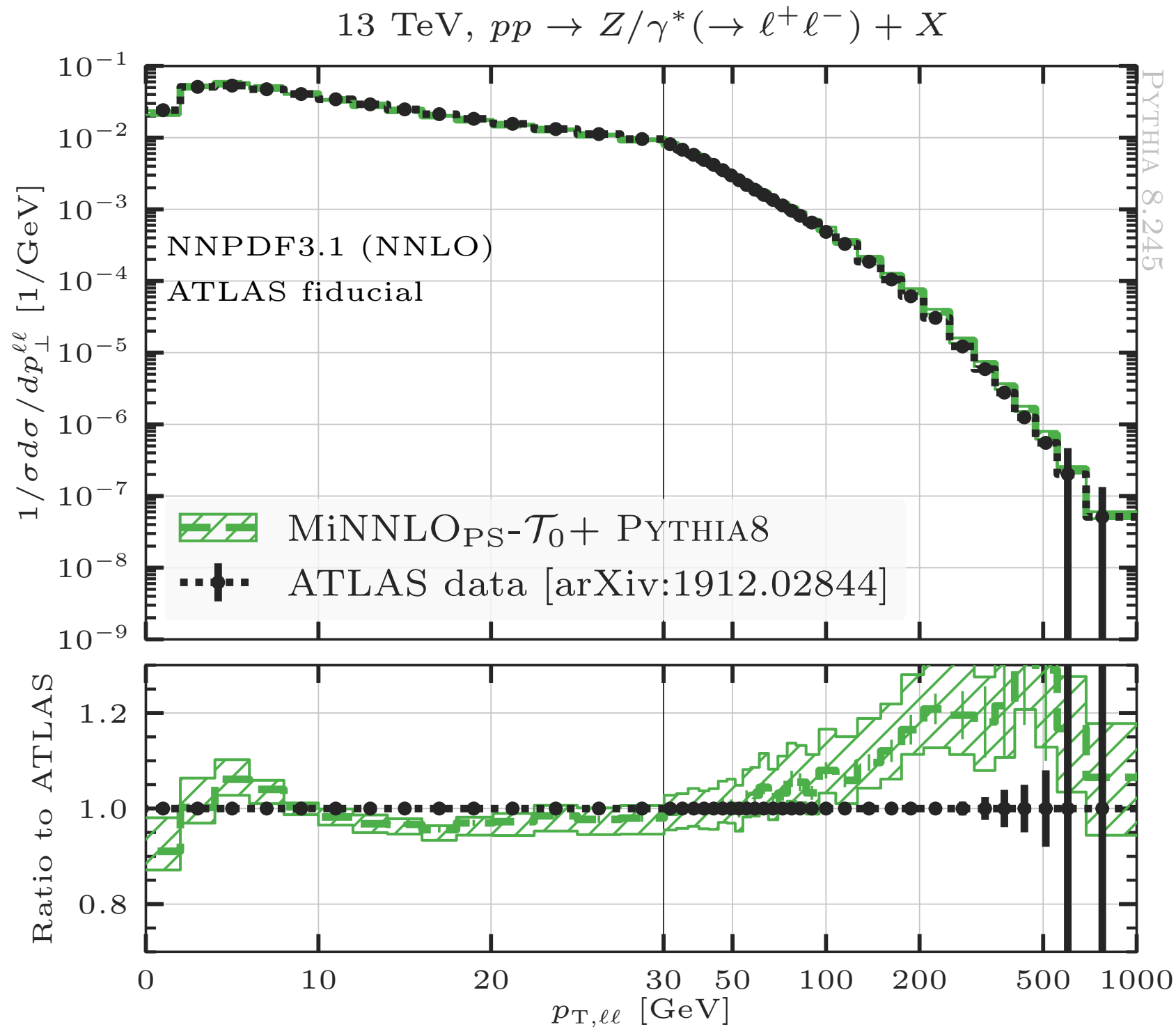
Geneva- p_T^Z

[Alioli, Bauer, Broggio, Gavardi, Kallweit,
Lim, Nagar, Napoletano, Rotoli '21]

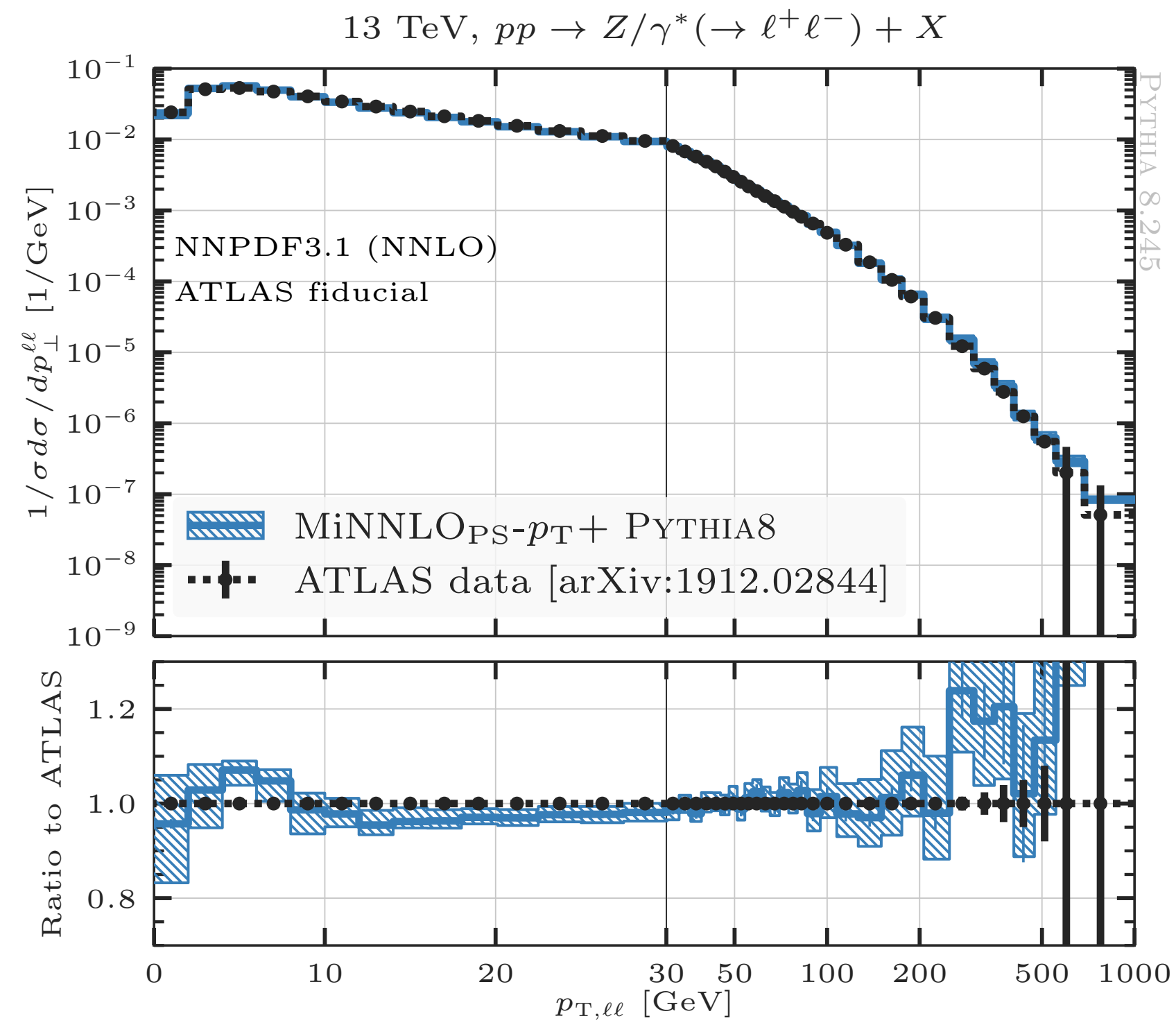


MiNNLO_{PS}: different matching observables

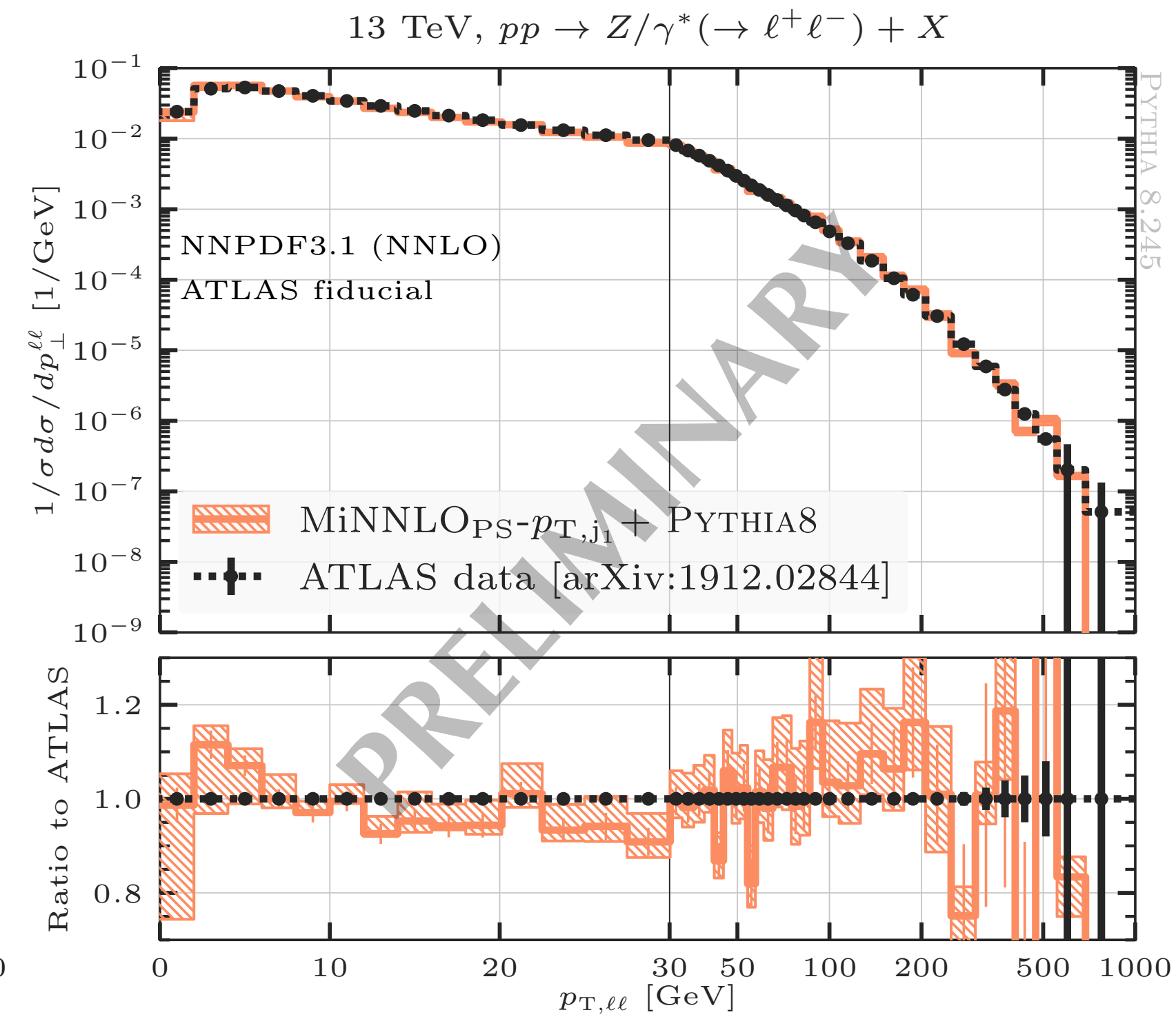
[Ebert, Rottoli, MW, Zanderighi, Zanolì '23]



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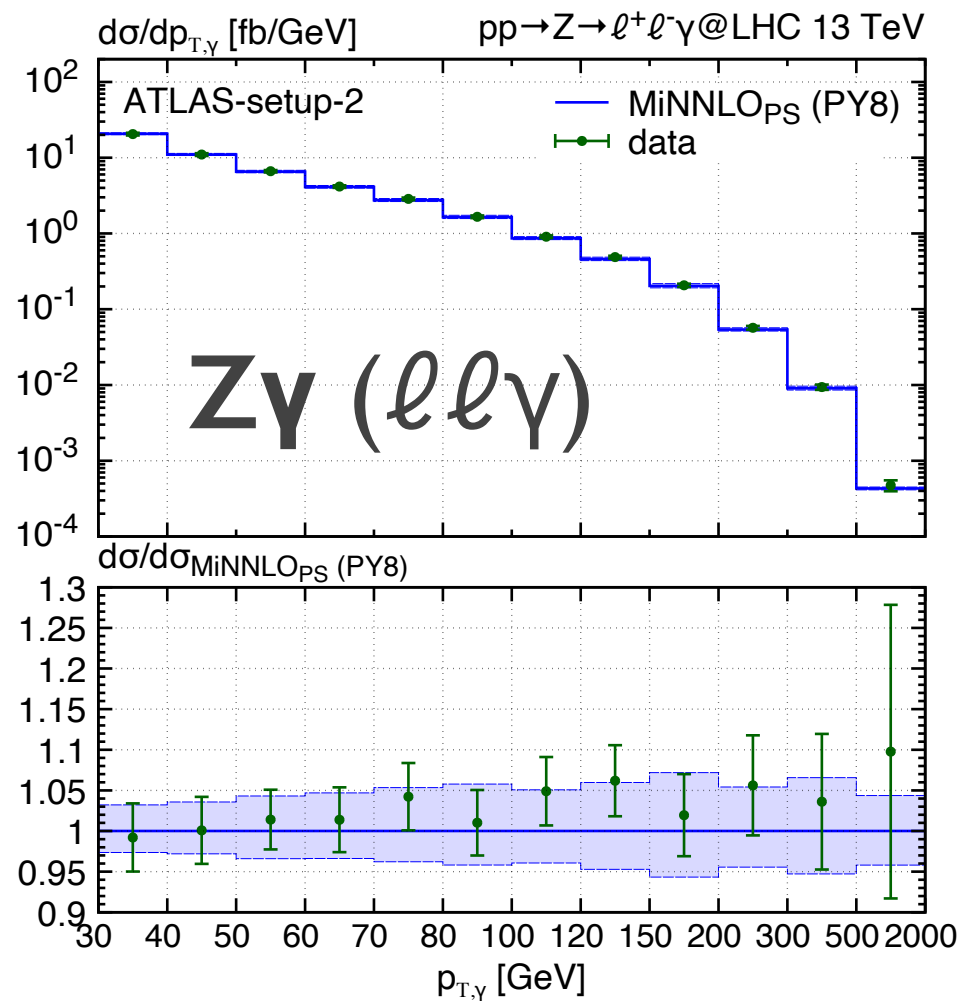
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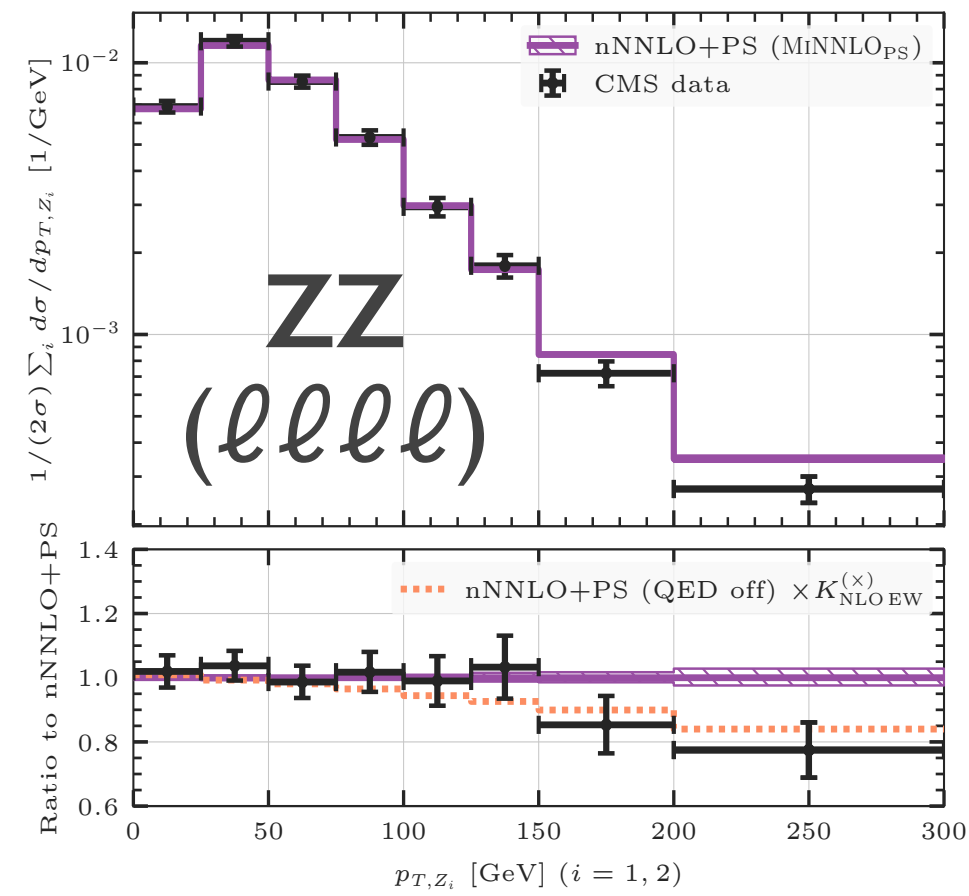
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[from L. Rottoli's talk at Ringberg 2024]

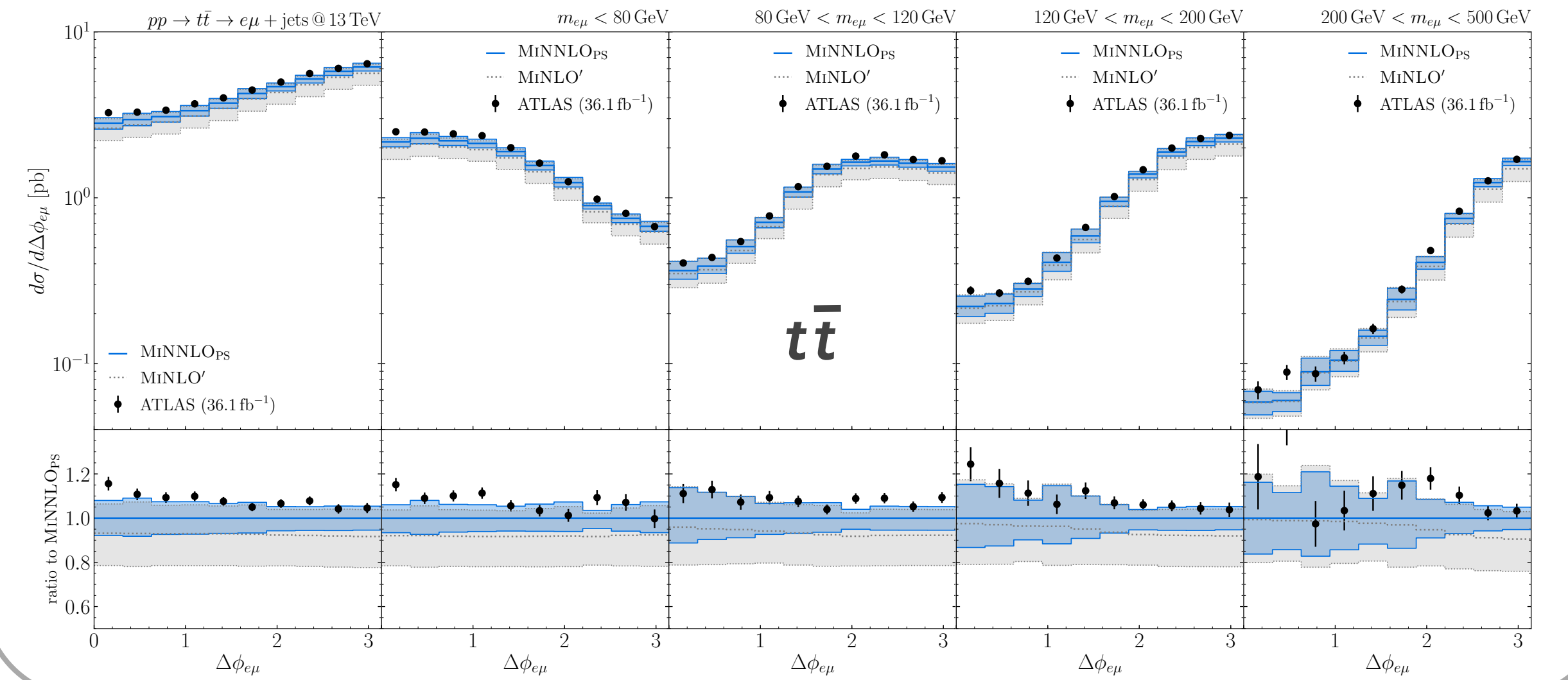
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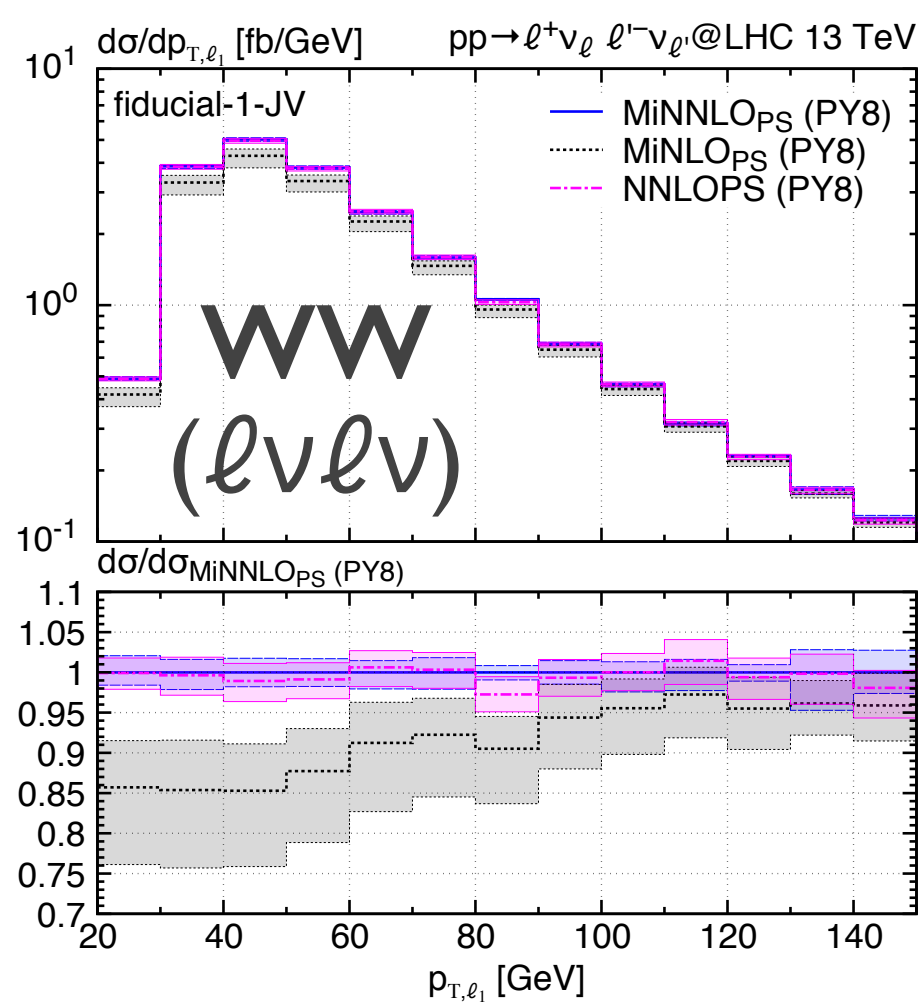
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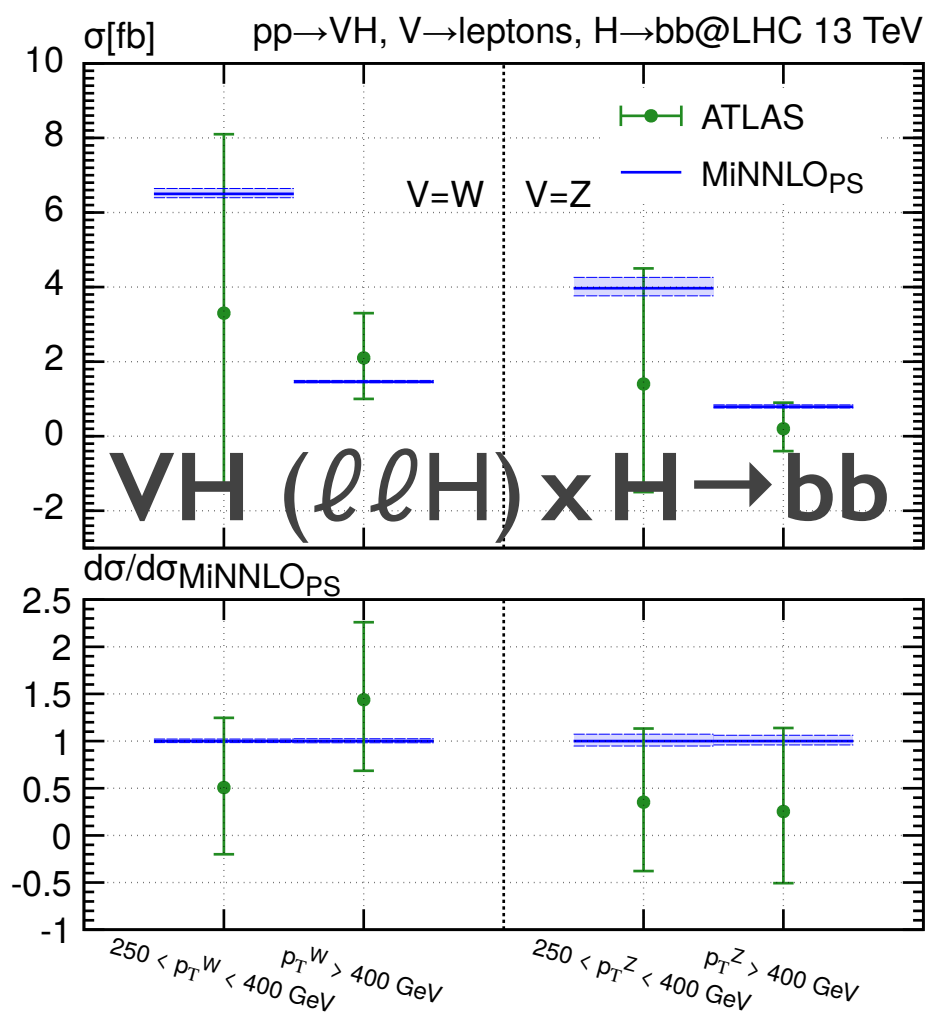
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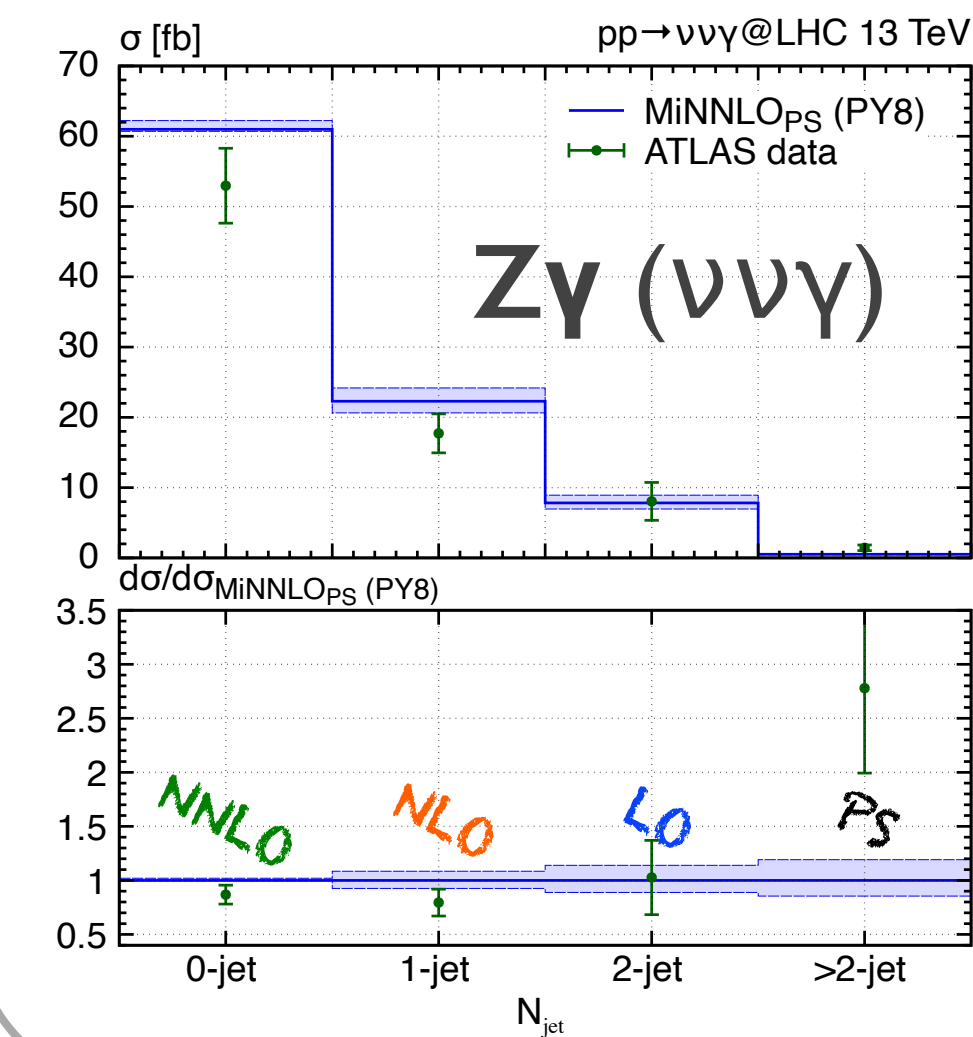
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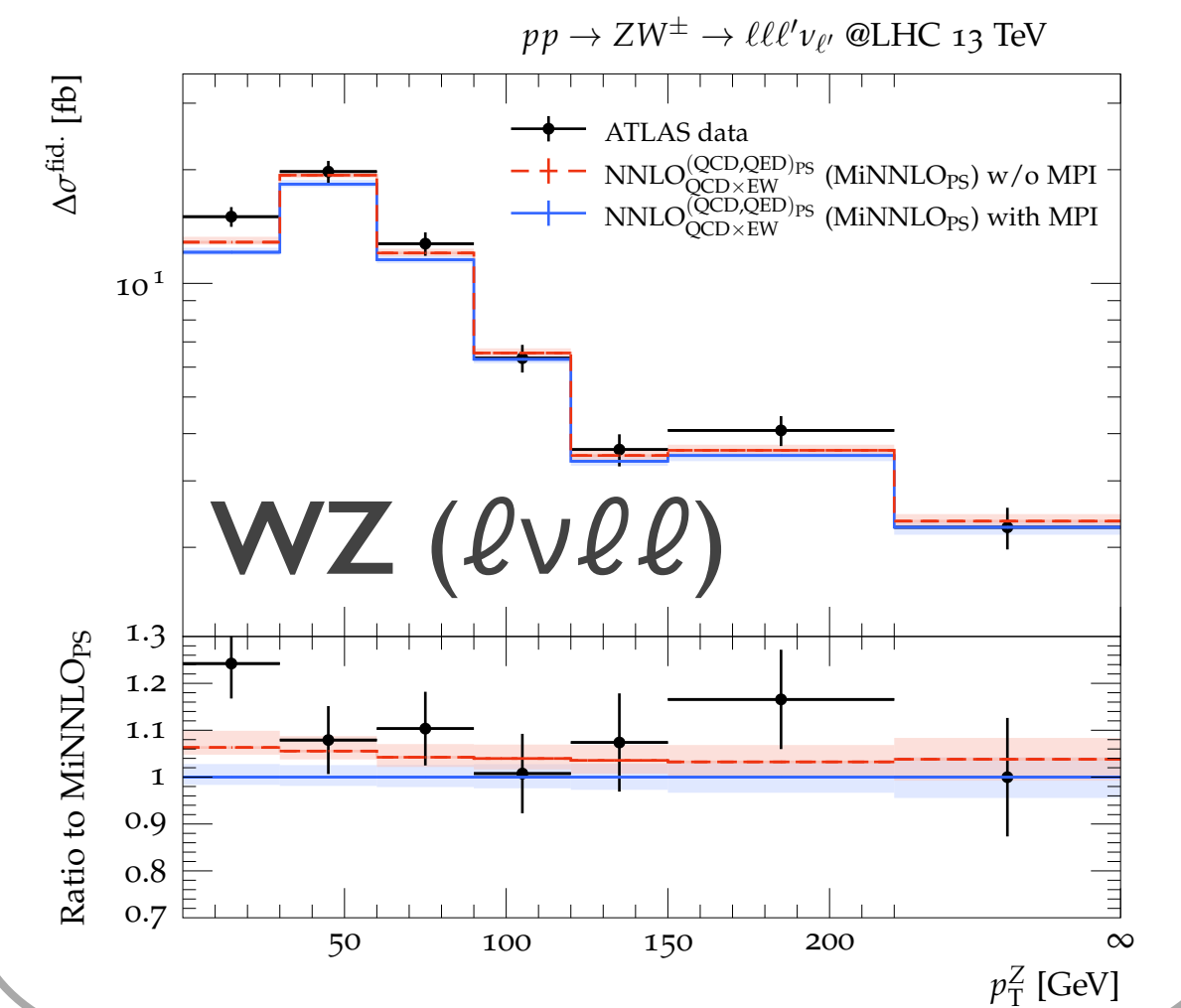
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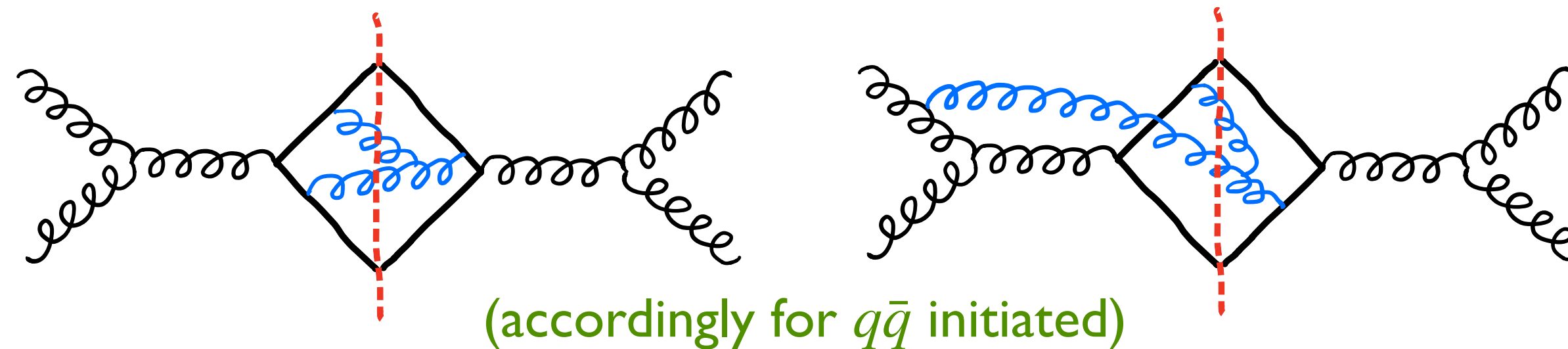


MiNNLO_{PS}: heavy quark production



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

- ◆ substantial complication due to final-state radiation and interferences



- ◆ compare resummation formulas (very schematic):

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

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

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

[Catani, Grazzini, Torre '14]

derived to NNLO in [Catani, Devoto, Grazzini, Mazzitelli, '23]

$t\bar{t}$ production

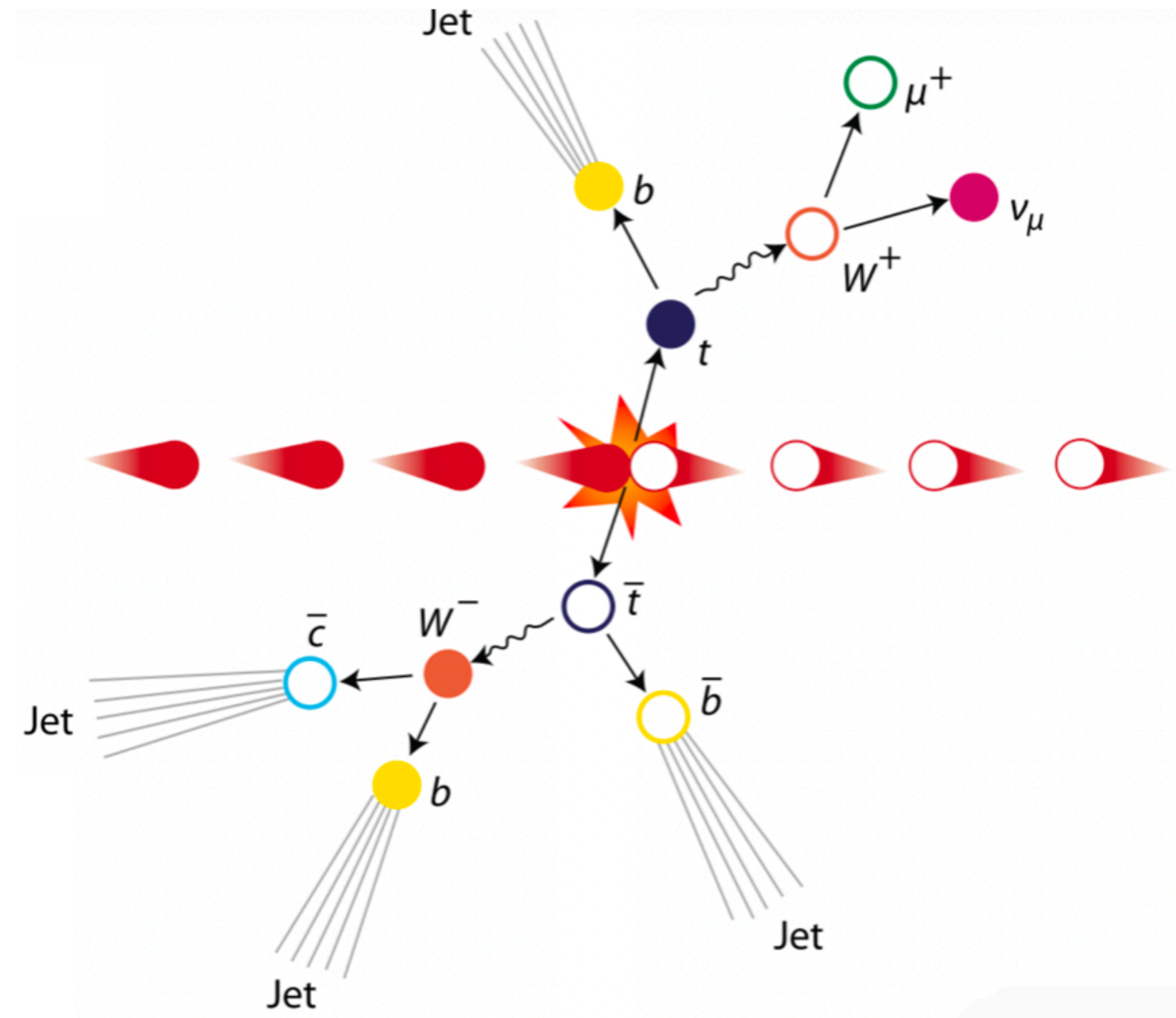
$$t\bar{t} \rightarrow b\bar{b} W^- W^+$$

Fully leptonic $W^+ W^- \rightarrow l\bar{\nu}_l \bar{l}\nu_l$

Semi-leptonic $W^+ W^- \rightarrow l\bar{\nu}_l q\bar{q}'$

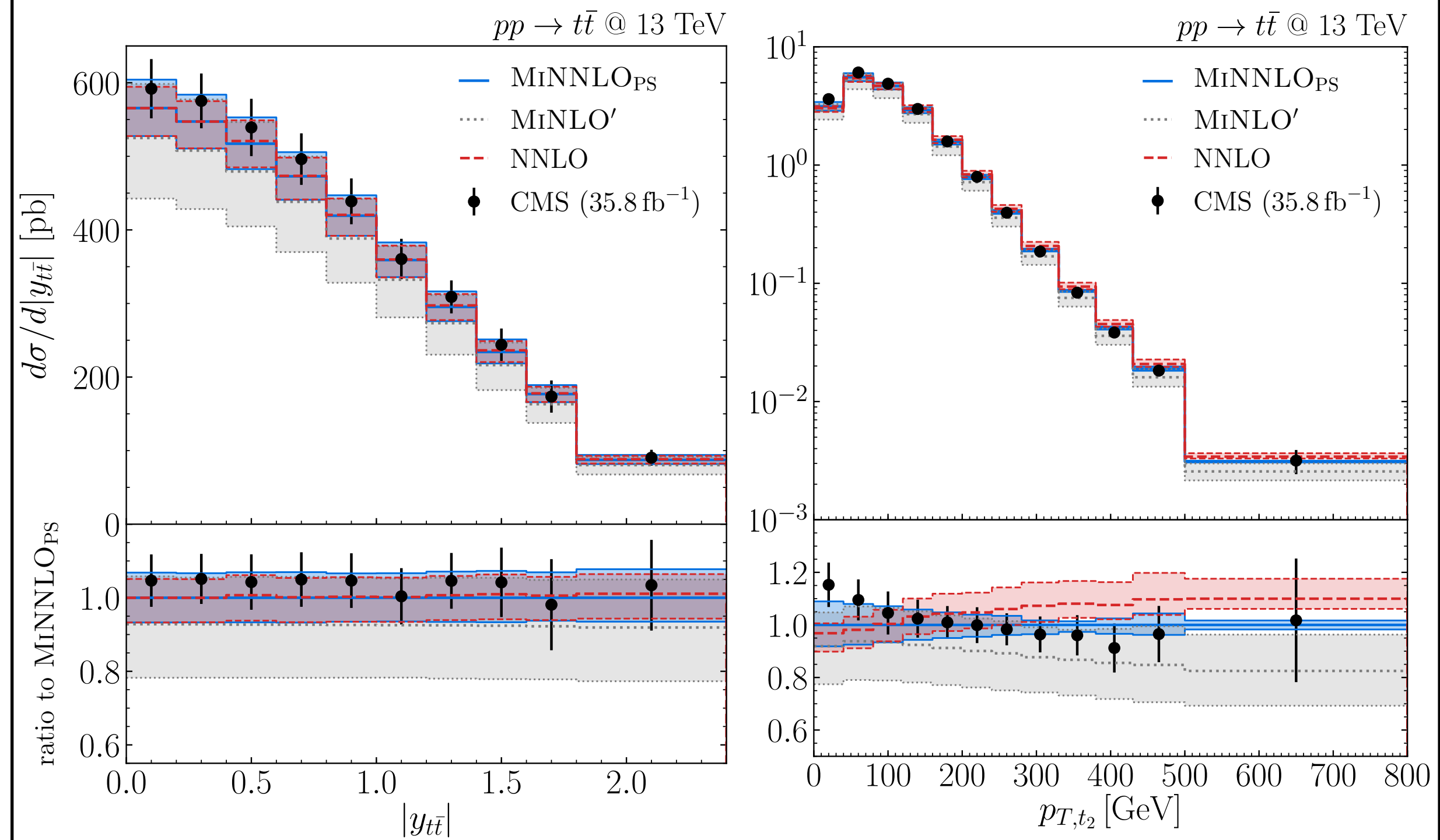
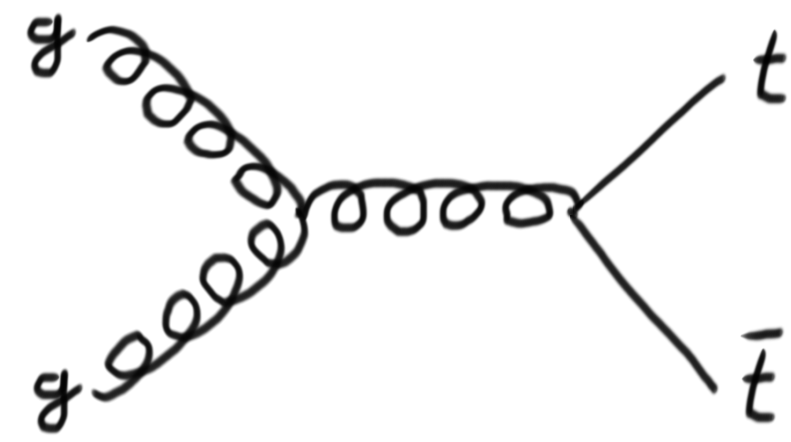
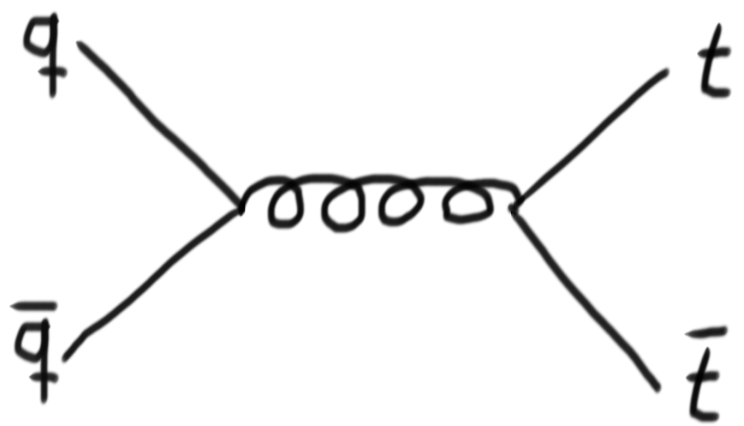
Hadronic $W^+ W^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}' q'\bar{q}$

(where $q = \{u, c\}$ and $q' = \{d, s\}$)



$t\bar{t}$ production

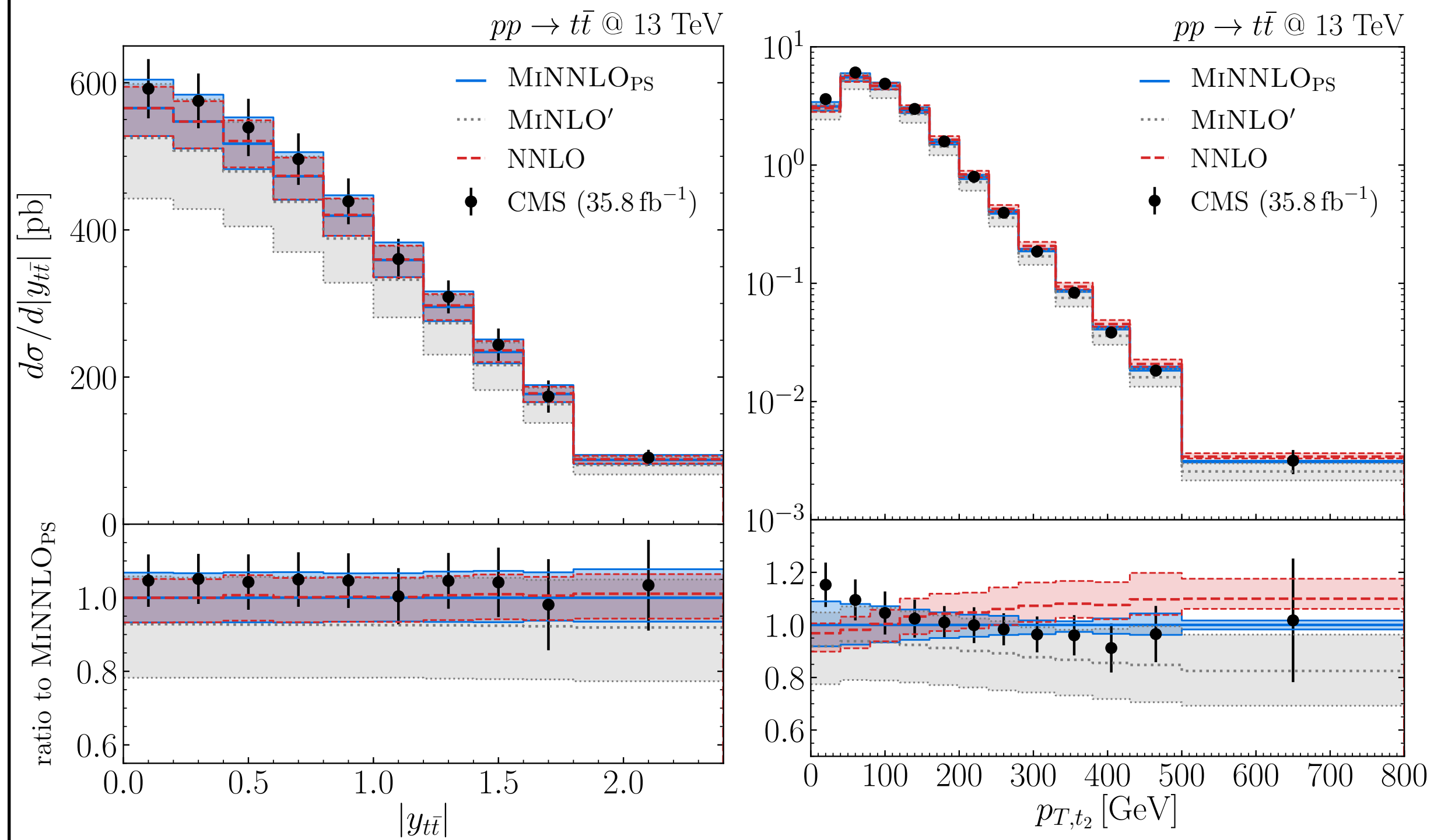
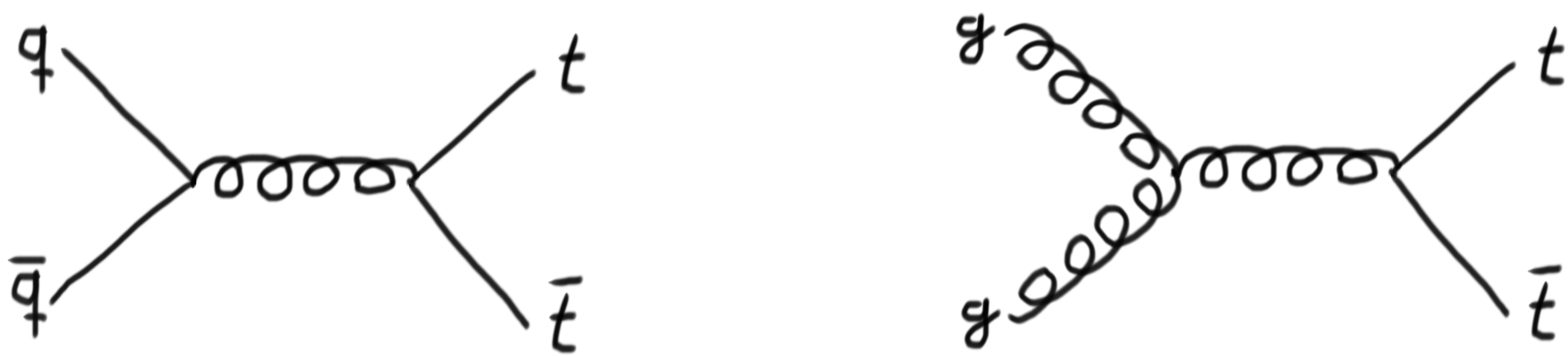
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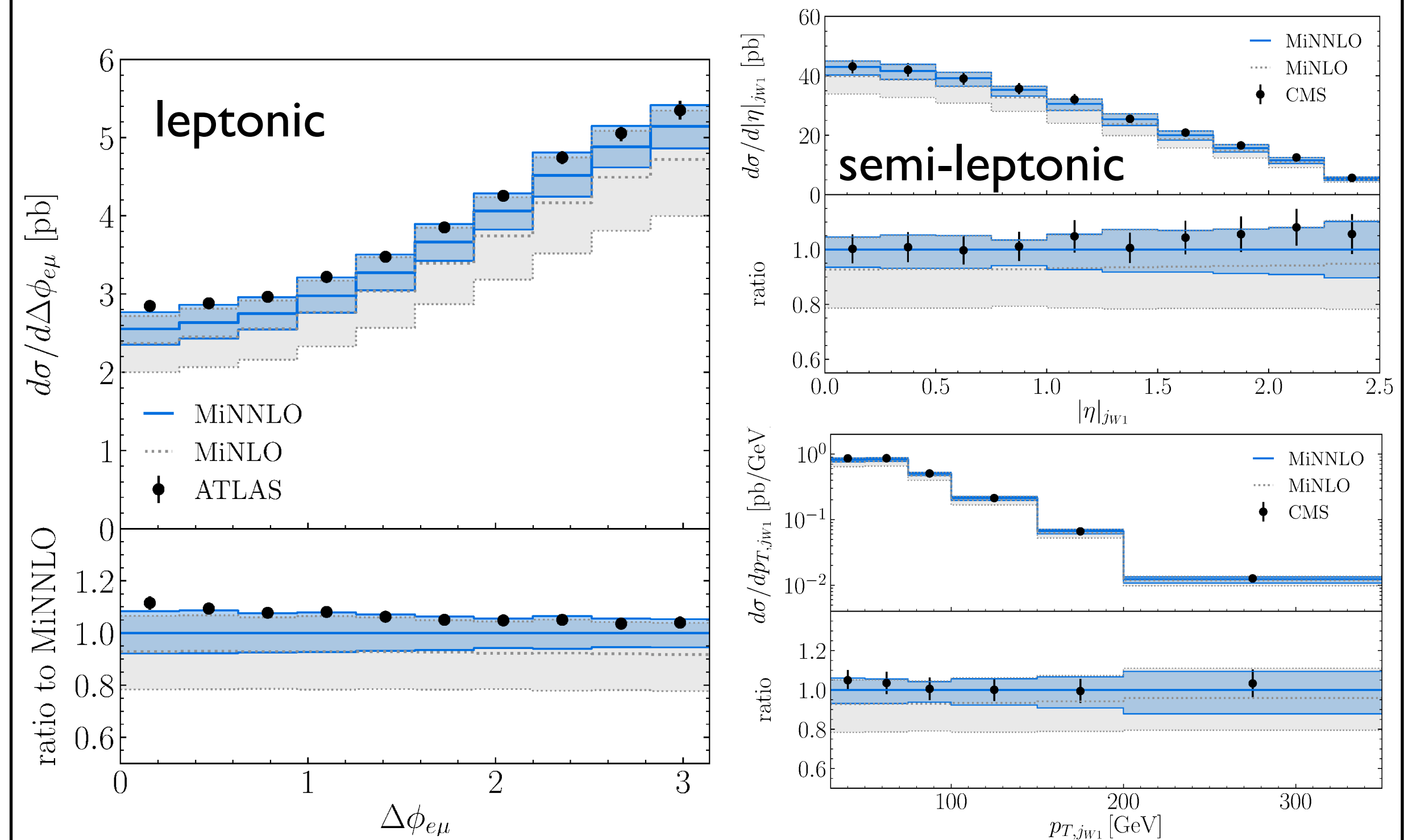
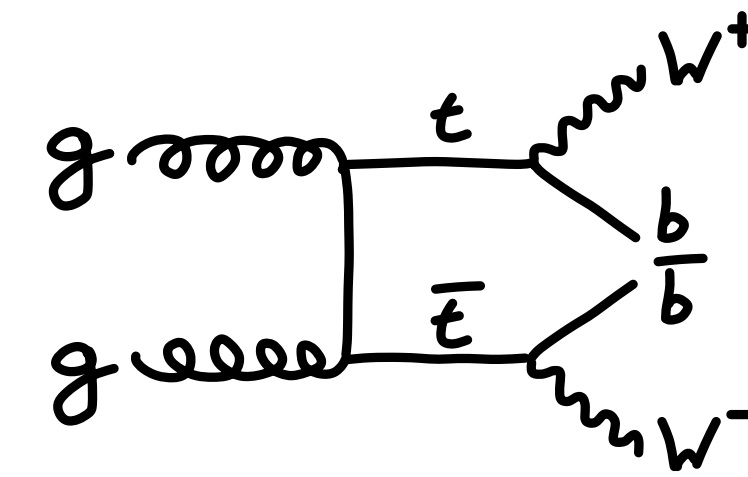
$t\bar{t}$ production

*approximated through a Mad-Spin-like approach using the full off-shell diagram at LO, keeping spin correlations

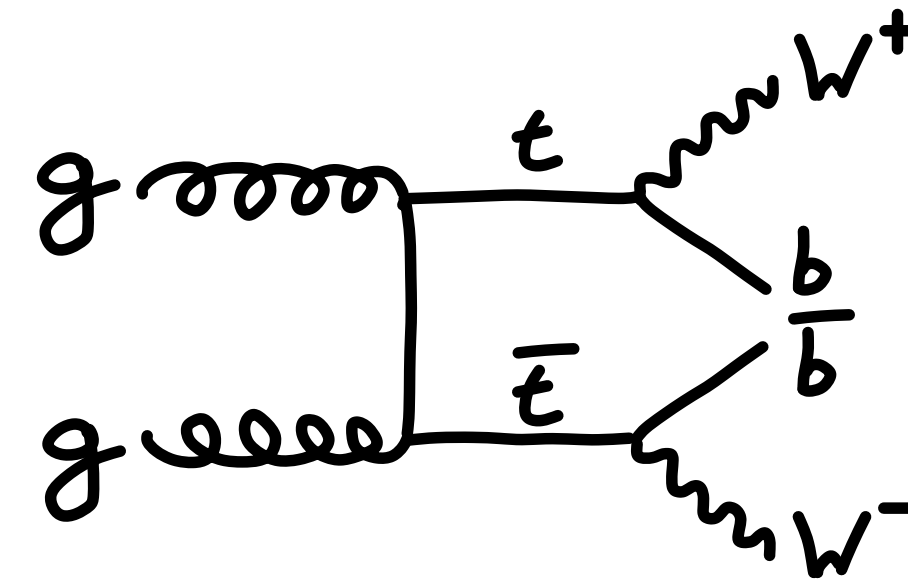
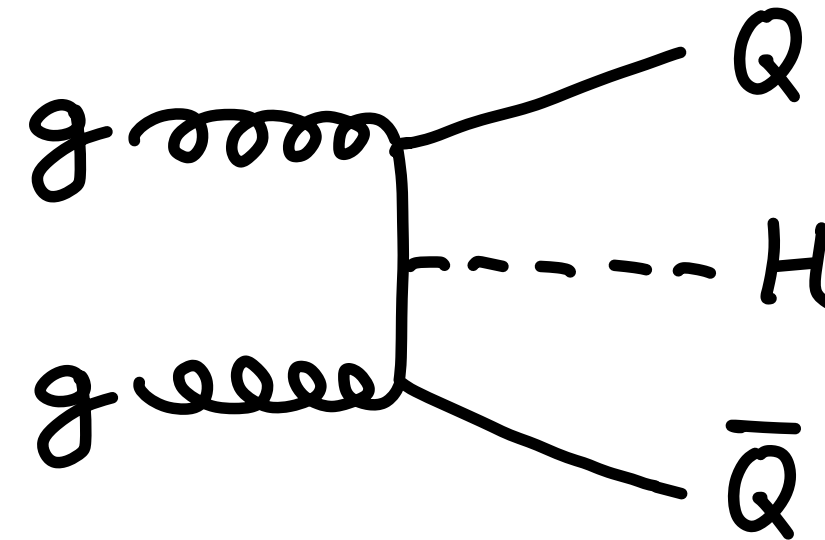
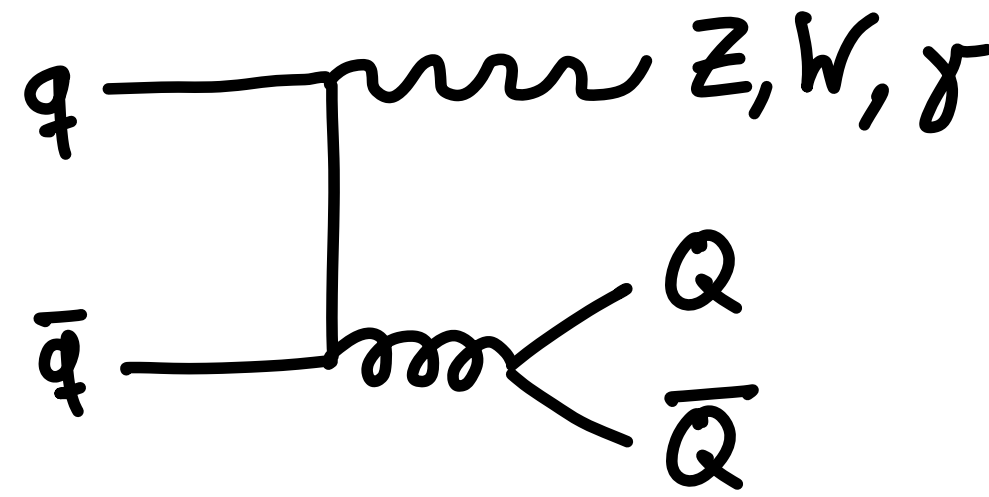
on-shell $t\bar{t}$ production



with off-shell top decays*



MiNNLO_{PS}: heavy quark + colour singlet production



[Mazzitelli, Sotnikov, Wieseemann '24]

- ◆ same structure of singular/resummed cross section as $Q\bar{Q}$, but need to account for recoil:

colour singlet:

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

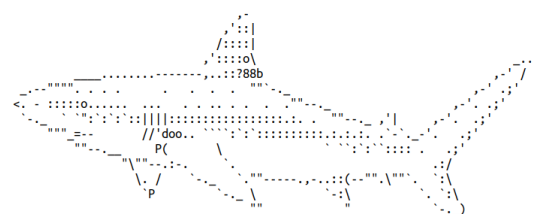
heavy quark pair:

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

heavy quark pair + colour singlet:

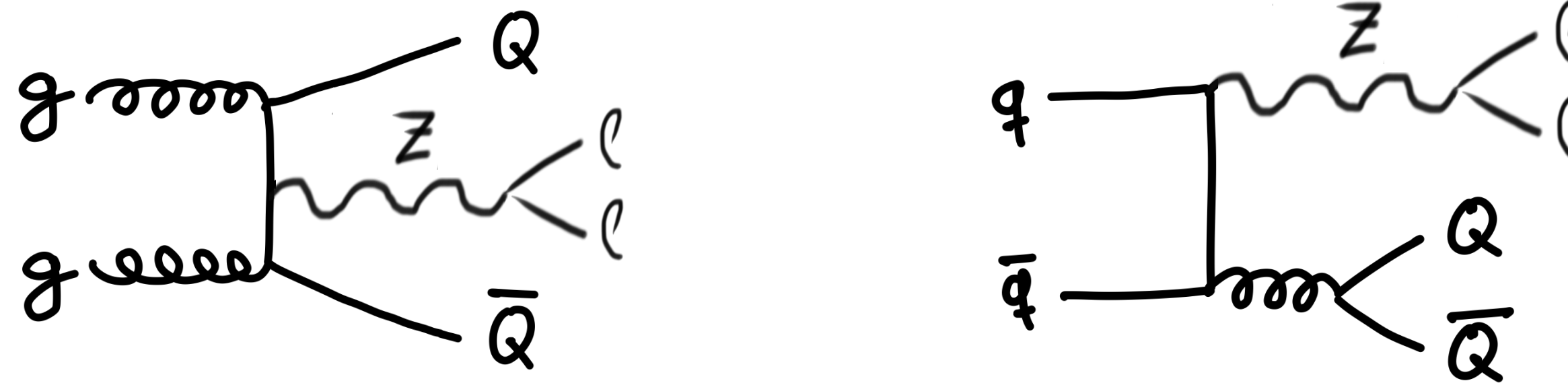
$$d\sigma_{\text{res}}^F \sim \frac{d}{dp_T} \left\{ e^{-s} \text{Tr}(\mathbf{H}\Delta) (C \otimes f) (C \otimes f) \right\}$$

Soft function for Heavy quark production in ARbitrary Kinematics
[Devoto, Mazzitelli 'in preparation]



$b\bar{b}Z$ production

[Mazzitelli, Sotnikov, MW '24]



- ★ bottom mass neither a large nor small scale: 4FS (massive bottom) and 5FS (massless bottom) viable
 - ★ complication:
Z couples to initial-state light quarks and final-state heavy quarks & coupling depends on quark flavour
 - ★ 2-loop amplitude: most complicated ingredient & among most complicated 2-loop computed to date
- approximated by small- m_b expansion [Mitov, Moch '06], [Wang, Xia, Yang, Ye '23]

$$2\text{Re}\langle R^{(0)} | R^{(2)} \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^4 \kappa_i \log^i(m_b/\mu_R) + 2\text{Re}\langle R_0^{(0)} | R_0^{(2)} \rangle + \mathcal{O}(m_b/\mu)$$

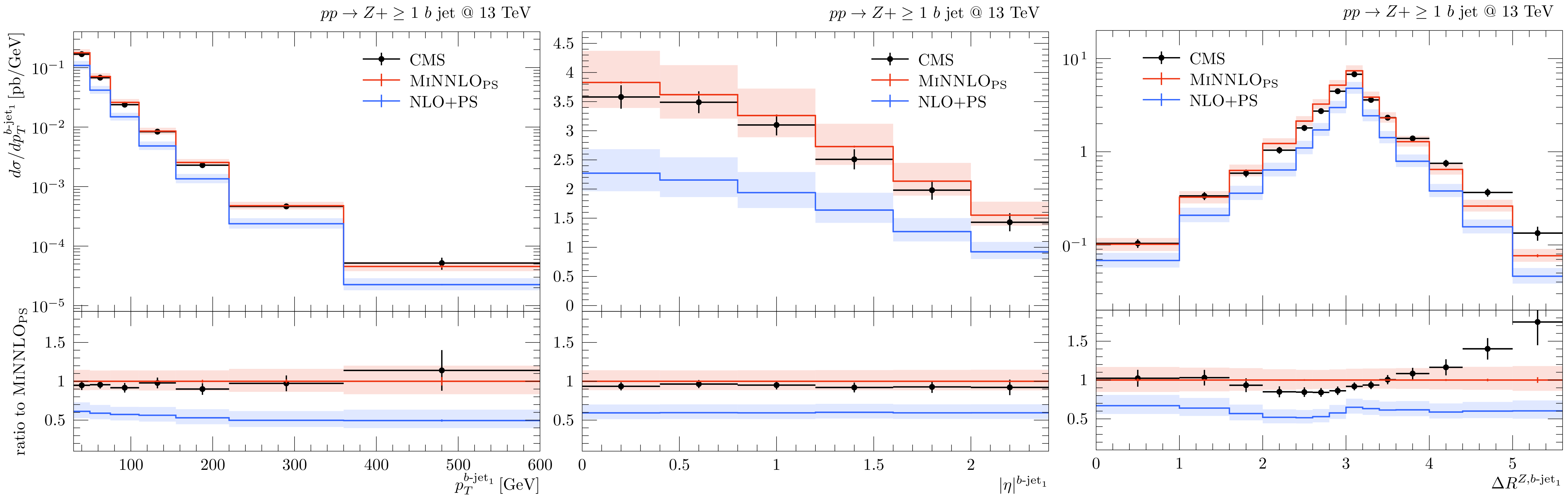
massive amplitude
↑
coefficients of massification
massless amplitude
power corrections

[Abreu, Cordero, Ita, Klinkert, Page, Sotnikov '21]

$b\bar{b}Z$ production

[Mazzitelli, Sotnikov, MW '24]

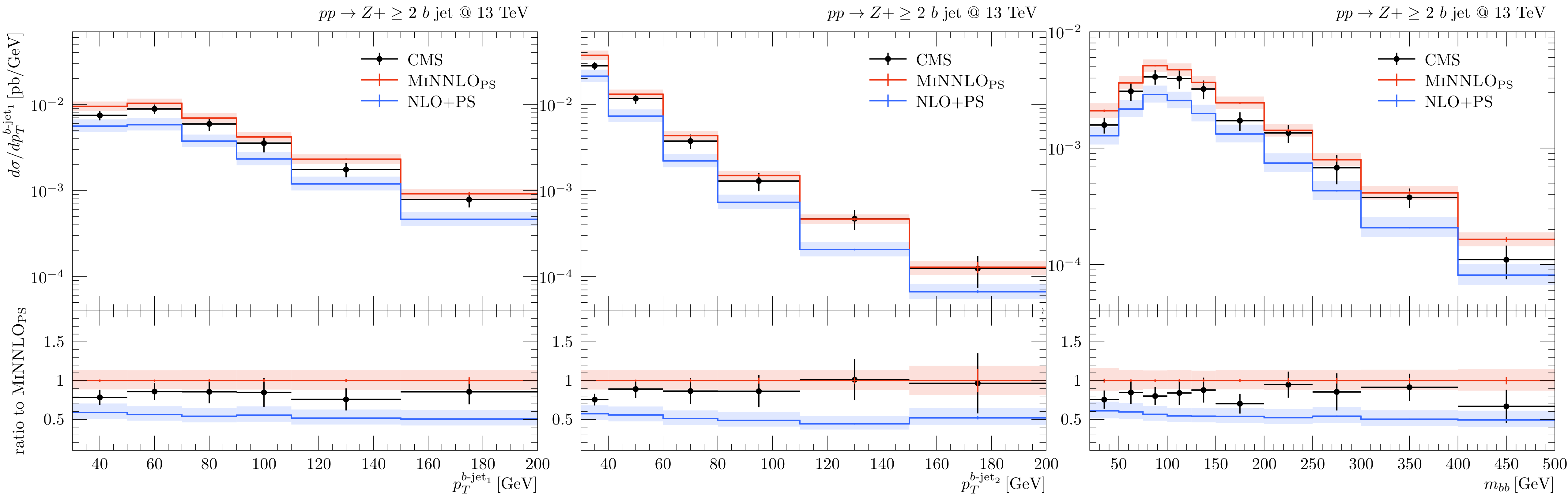
Z+1b-jet distributions compared to CMS data [CMS 2112.09659]



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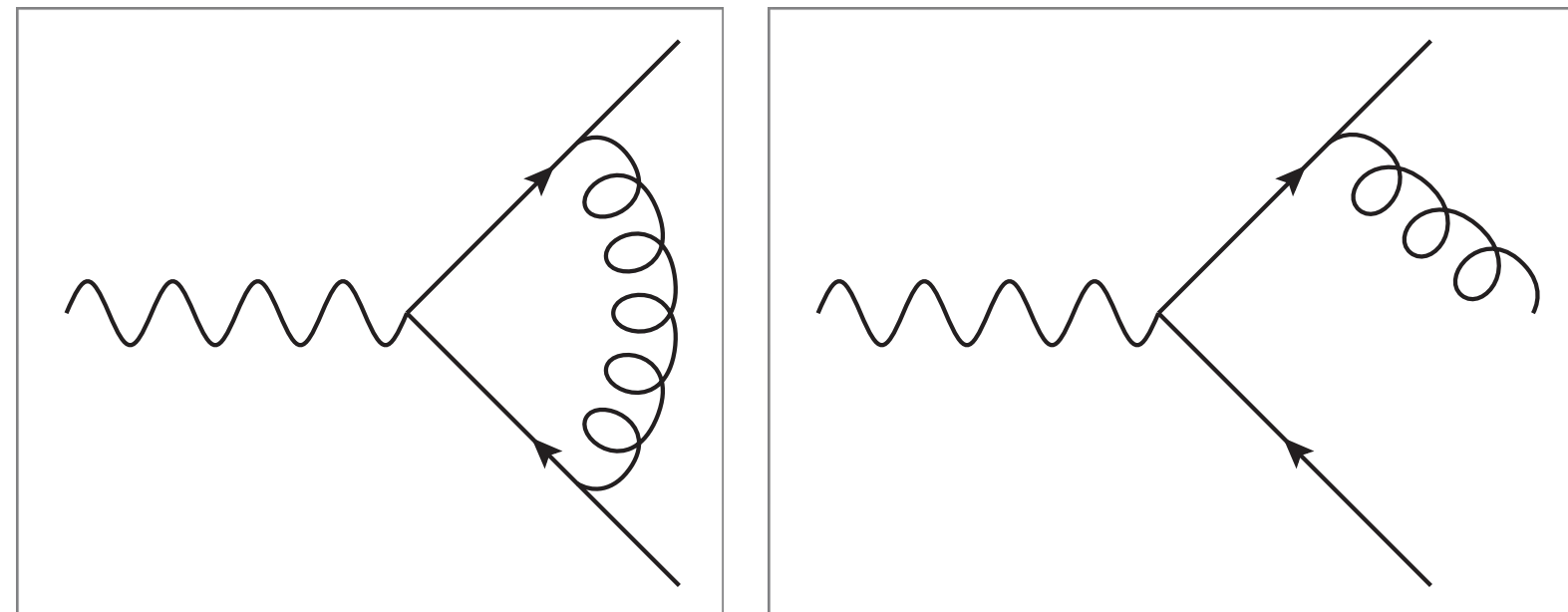
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Z+2b-jet distributions compared to CMS data [CMS 2112.09659]

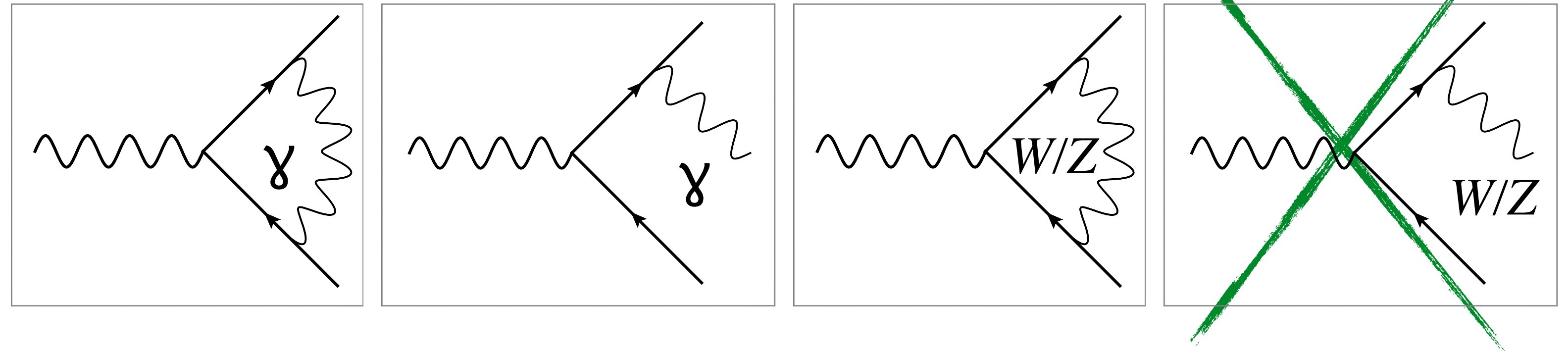


NLO+PS for EW corrections

NLO QCD




NLO EW




- ★ multiple-radiation of heavy weak bosons not relevant at LHC energies (possibly at future colliders), since emissions regulated by boson mass \rightarrow not included in parton showers
- ★ parton showers include only QED (and QCD) radiation
- ★ thus, NLO+PS matching done at level of QED corrections (same methods as for QCD)
- ★ weak-boson effect included solely in virtual matrix elements

Public (N)NLO+PS Codes

 **MadGraph5_aMC@NLO** Log in / Register

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Registered 2009-09-15 by  Michel Herquet

MadGraph5_aMC@NLO is a framework that aims at providing all the elements necessary for SM and BSM phenomenology, such as the computations of cross sections, the generation of hard events and their matching with event generators, and the use of a variety of tools relevant to event manipulation and analysis. Processes can be simulated to LO accuracy for any user defined Lagrangian, or the NLO accuracy in the case of models that support NLO corrections to SM processes.

MadGraph5_aMC@NLO is the new version of both MadGraph5 and aMC@NLO that unifies the LO and NLO lines of development of automated tools within the MadGraph family. It therefore supersedes all the MadGraph5 1.5.x versions and all the beta versions of aMC@NLO. As such, the code allows one to simulate processes in virtually all configurations of interest, in particular for hadronic and e+e- colliders; starting from version 3.2.0, the latter include Initial State Radiation and beamstrahlung effects.

The standard reference for the use of the code is: J. Alwall et al, "The automated computation of tree-level and next-to-leading order differential cross sections, and their matching to parton shower simulations", arXiv:1405.0301 [hep-ph]. In addition to that, computations in mixed-coupling expansions and/or of NLO corrections in theories other than QCD (eg NLO EW) require the citation of: R. Frederix et al, "The automation of next-to-leading order electroweak calculations", arXiv:1804.10017 [hep-ph]. A more complete list of references can be found here: http://amcatnlo.web.cern.ch/amcatnlo/list_refs.htm

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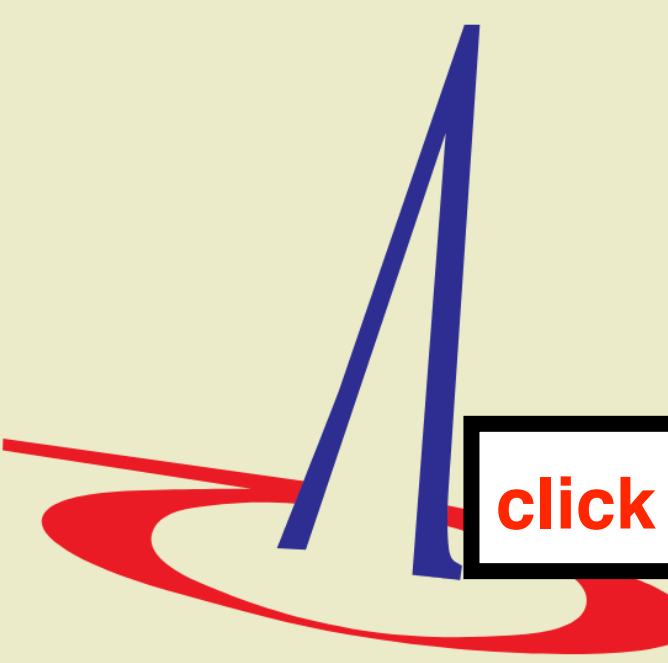
Sherpa is a Monte Carlo event generator for the **Simulation of High-Energy Reactions of PArticles** in lepton-lepton, lepton-photon, photon-photon, lepton-hadron and hadron-hadron collisions. Simulation programs - also dubbed event generators - like Sherpa are indispensable work horses for current particle physics phenomenology and are (at) the interface between theory and experiment.

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The WHIZARD Event Generator

The Generator of Monte Carlo Event Generators for Tevatron, LHC, ILC, CLIC, CEPC, FCC-ee, FCC-hh, SppC, the muon collider and other High Energy Physics Experiments

click here: <https://whizard.hepforge.org/>

WHIZARD is a program system designed for the efficient calculation of multi-particle scattering cross sections and simulated event samples.

WHIZARD can evaluate NLO QCD corrections in the SM for arbitrary lepton and hadron colliders. Tree-level matrix elements are generated automatically for arbitrary partonic processes by using the Optimized Matrix Element Generator O'Mega. Matrix elements obtained by alternative methods (e.g., including loop corrections) may be interfaced as well. The program is able to calculate numerically stable signal and background cross sections and generate unweighted event samples with reasonable efficiency for processes with up to eight final-state particles; more particles are possible. For more particles, there is the option to generate processes as decay cascades including complete spin correlations. Different options for QCD parton showers are available.

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Geneva Monte Carlo

Geneva is a Monte-Carlo event generator based on resummed NNLO+NNLL' calculations. It produces LHEF events, which can be showered and hadronized with a parton-shower generator (currently Pythia8) to produce fully exclusive HepMC events.

The currently available processes at NNLO+NNLL' are:

- $p p \rightarrow Z/\gamma \rightarrow e^+ e^-$
- $p p \rightarrow Z/\gamma \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$

The current version is 1.0-RC3.

This is a release candidate, and as such can still contain bugs and missing features. We kindly ask that you report back to us results and problems obtained with this preliminary version prior to their usage in any publication.

Authors

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Projektinformation

- 5 Commits
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→ release candidate (since 2016) on git repo, only process: Drell-Yan production using τ_0

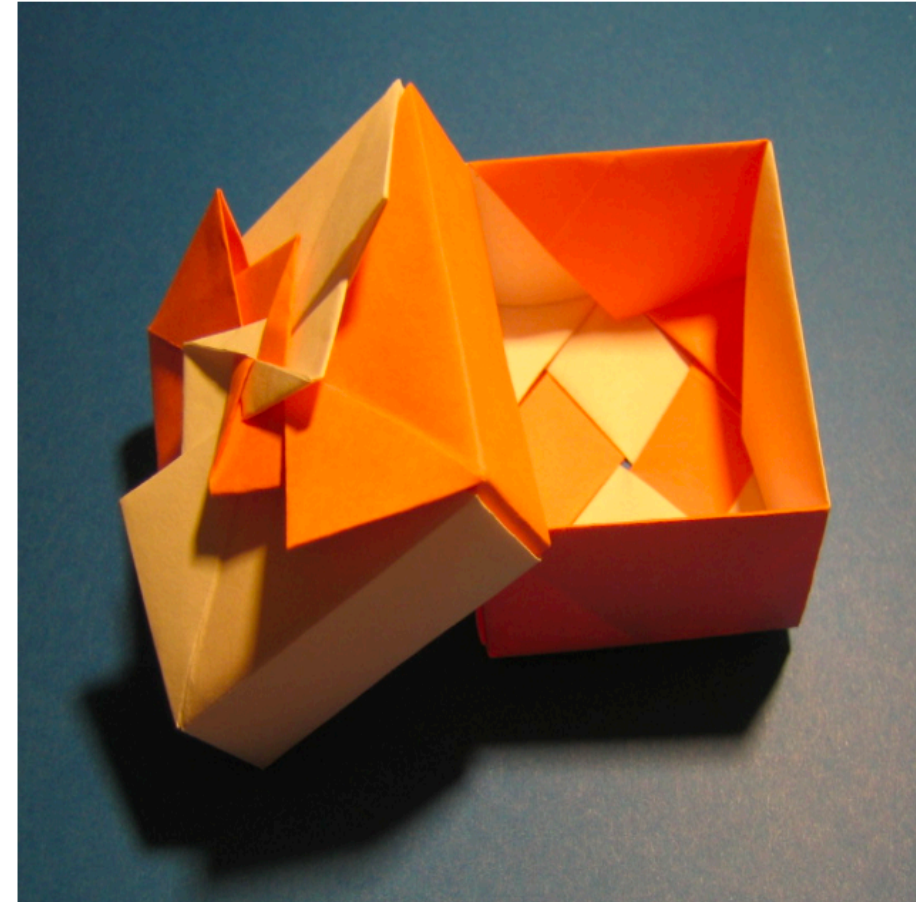
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MiNNLO_{PS} generators public in POWHEG BOX

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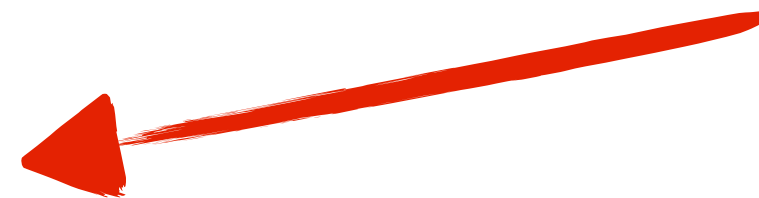
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MiNNLO_{PS} for $2 \rightarrow 1$ processes (H, Z, W) in POWHEG-BOX-V2

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

Top-quark pair generator

[Mazzitelli, Monni, Nason, Re, MW, Zanderighi '20 '21]

MiNNLO_{PS} has been extended to $2 \rightarrow 2$ colour-singlet processes in POWHEG-BOX-RES

Z γ generator ($Z \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-, Z \rightarrow \nu \bar{\nu} + aTGC$) *[Lombardi, MW, Zanderighi '20, '21]*

WW generator *[Lombardi, MW, Zanderighi '21]*

ZZ generator ($q\bar{q} + gg$) *[Buonocore, Koole, Lombardi, Rottoli, MW, Zanderighi '21]*

WZ generator *NNLO_{QCD}+PS and NLO_{EW}+PS*

[Lindert, Lombardi, MW, Zanderighi, Zanoli '23]

H generator with full top-mass effects @ NNLO *[Niggetiedt, MW '24]*

t.b.a.: **VH** generator interfaced with **H** \rightarrow **bb** decay and SMEFT effects (t.b.a.)

[Zanoli, Chiesa, Re, MW, Zanderighi '21], [Haisch, Scott, MW, Zanderighi, Zanoli '22]

$\gamma\gamma$ generator (t.b.a.) *[Gavardi, Oleari, Re '22]*

bb generator (t.b.a.) *[Mazzitelli, Ratti, MW, Zanderighi '24]*

bbZ generator (t.b.a.) *[Mazzitelli, Sotnikov, MW '24]*

or click here: <https://powhegbox.mib.infn.it/#MiNNLOps>

Summary

- ★ 50 years after the discovery of asymptotic freedom QCD has turned out to be a beautiful theory that allows us to provide predictions required at hadron colliders
- ★ Precision through perturbation theory: NLO, NNLO, N³LO, ...
- ★ Resummation for specific observables: NLL, NNLL, N³LL, ...
- ★ Parton Shower Event Generator bridge the gap between theory predictions and experimental measurements
- ★ Inclusion of higher-order corrections in parton showers: NLO+PS, NNLO+PS, ...
 - plenty of room for improvements
(shower accuracy, shower uncertainties, non-perturbative effects, new NNLO+PS processes, ...)

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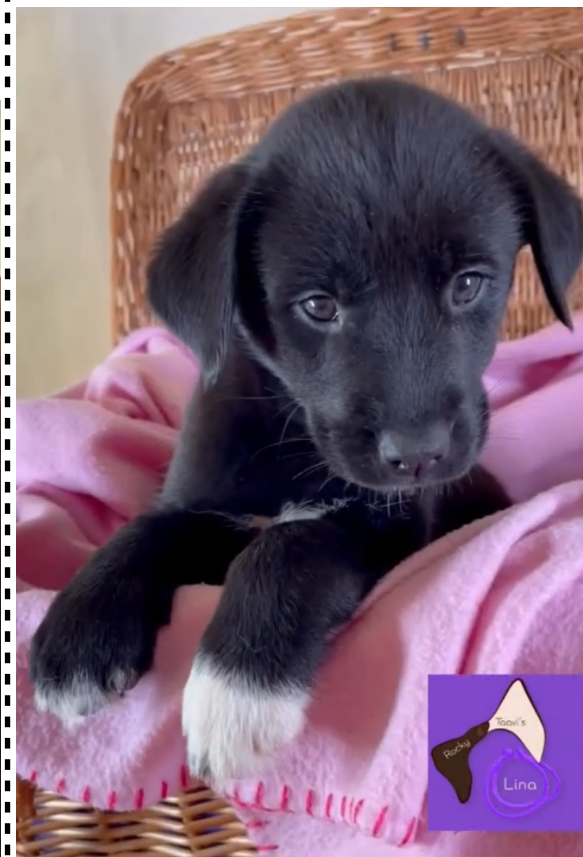
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(automation, SCET, other observables, soft resummation, ...)
- ★ Jets in LHC collisions
(jet algorithms, infrared-safe jet flavour, jet substructure, ...)
- ★ Details on Higgs production and decay channels
(heavy-top effective field theory, quark-mass effects, boosted Higgs analyses for VH, Higgs couplings, ...)
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- ★ ...

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Thank you very much for your attention!

Don't be afraid ;-)



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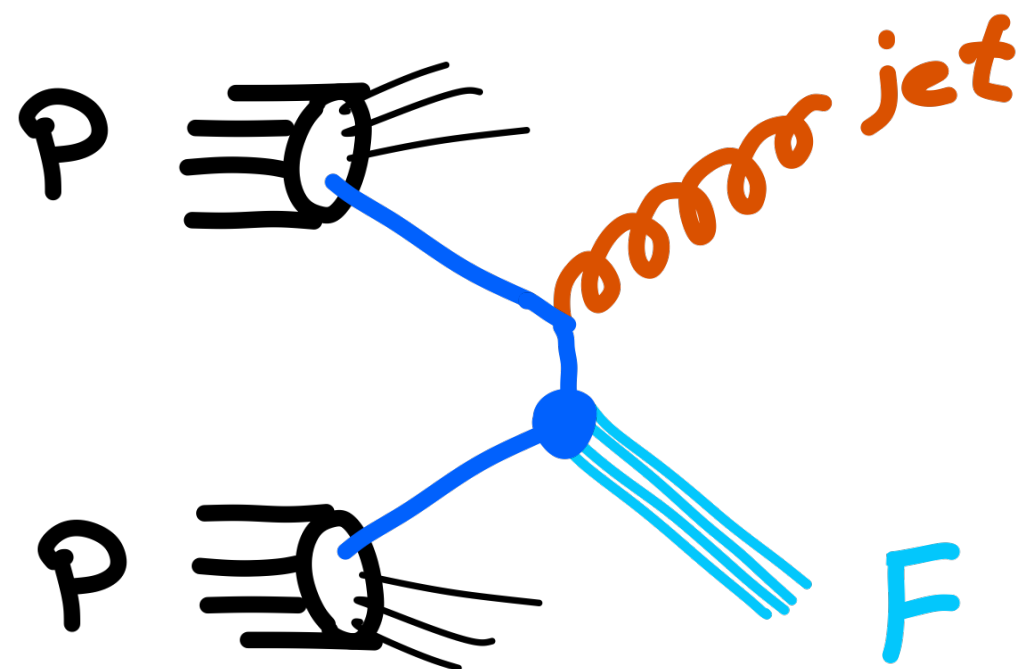
Extra Slides

MiNNLO_{PS}: main idea

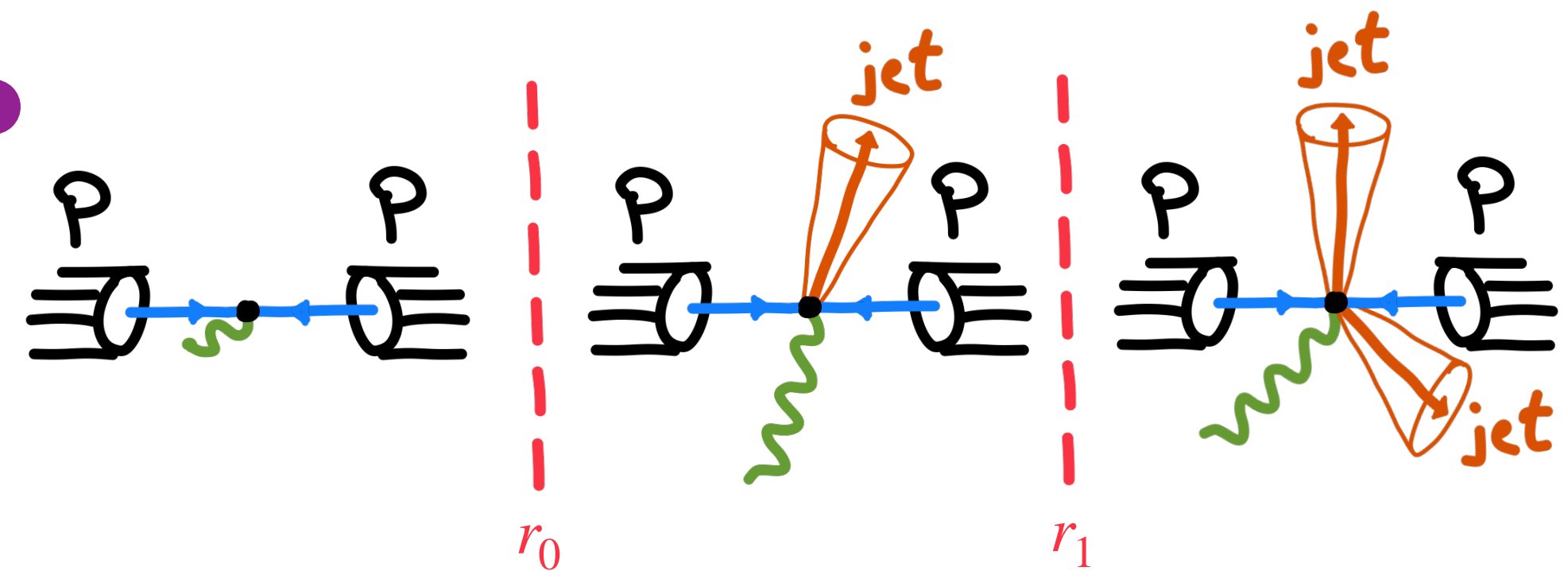
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all-order structure in
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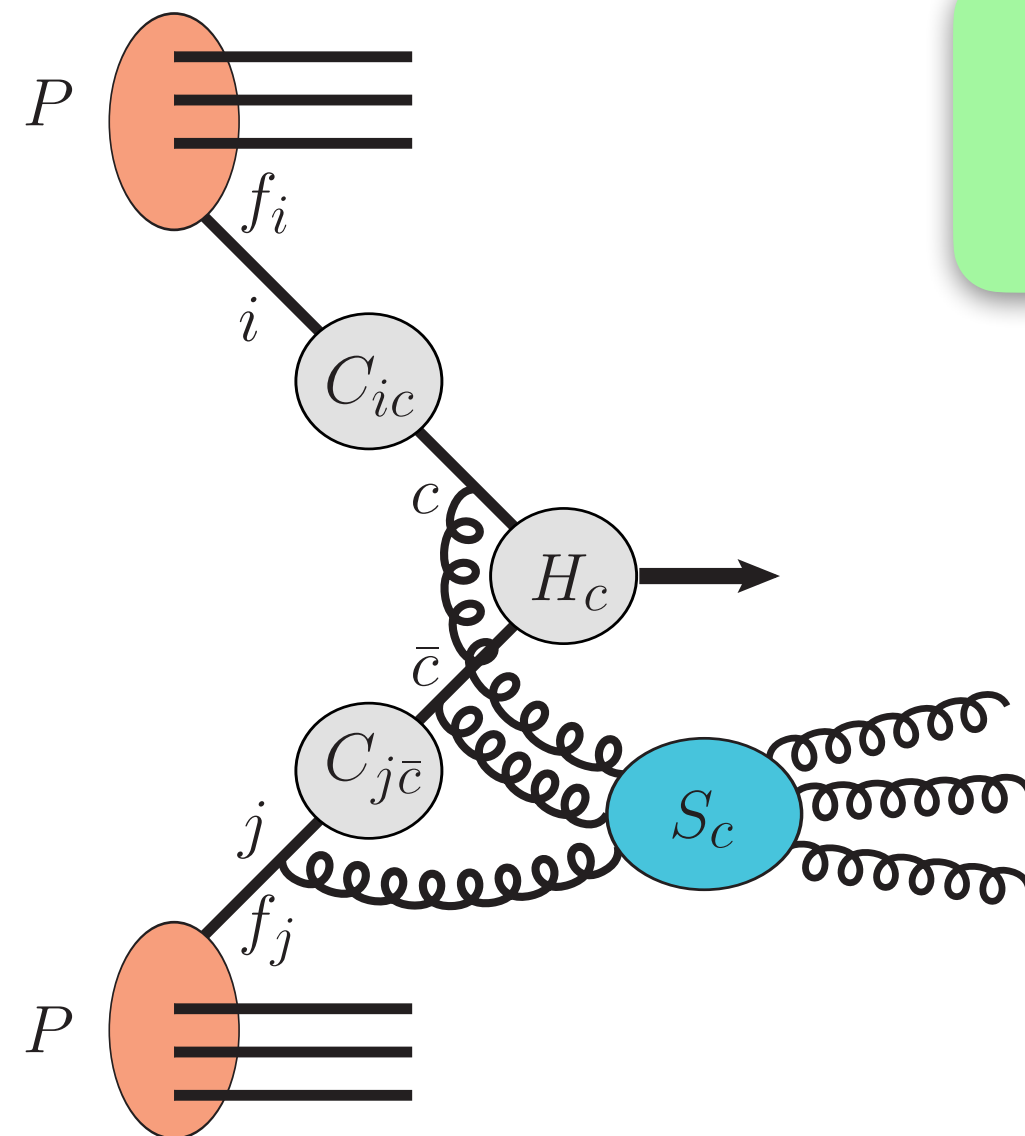
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reminder:

integrate over b
& take total derivative

Transverse-momentum resummation

[Collins, Soper, Sterman '85]



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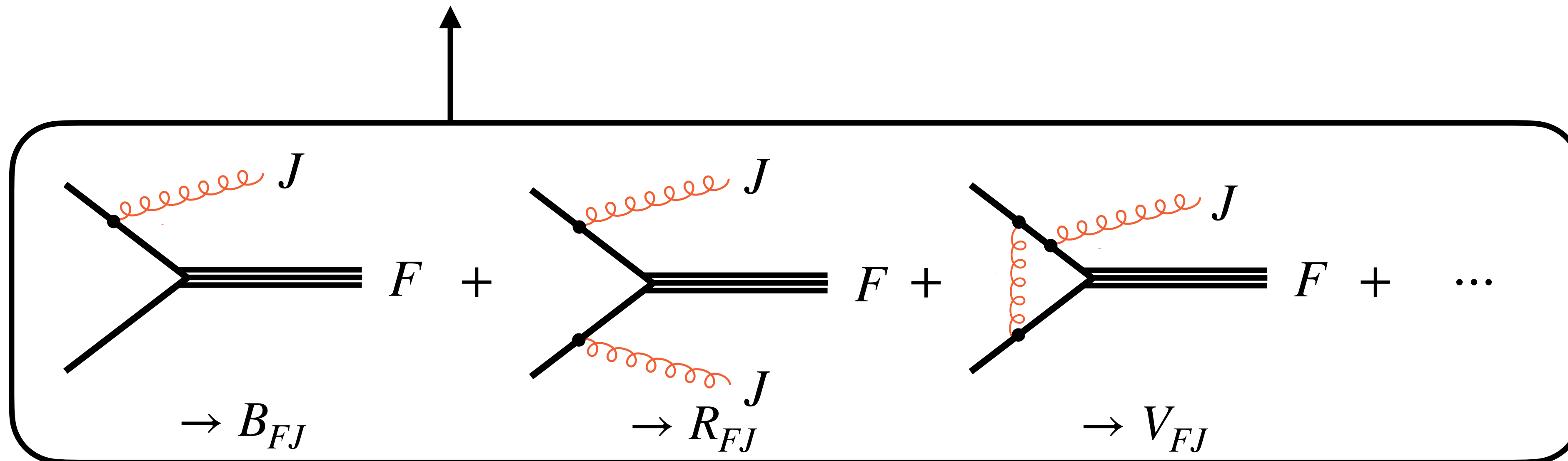
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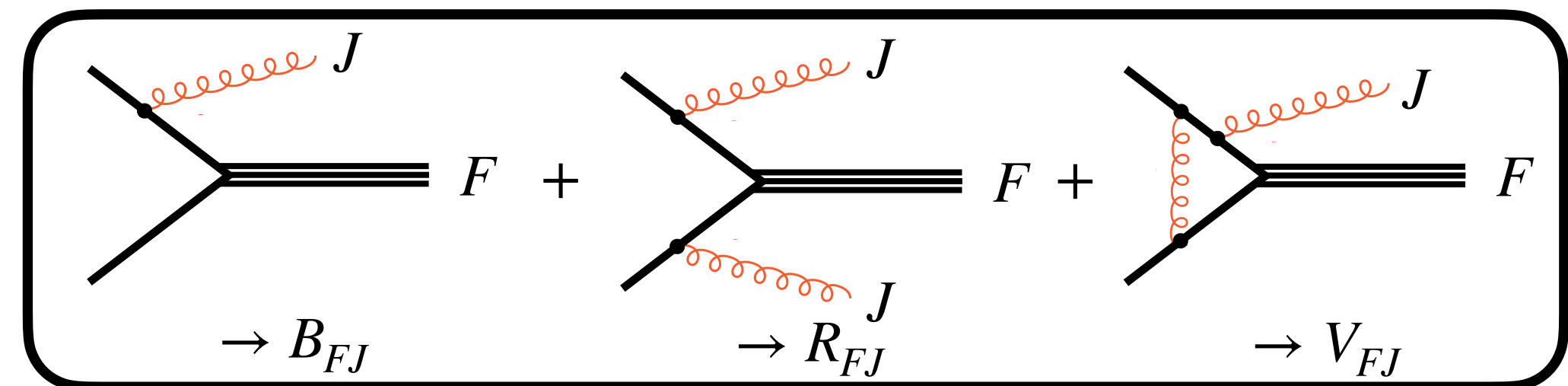
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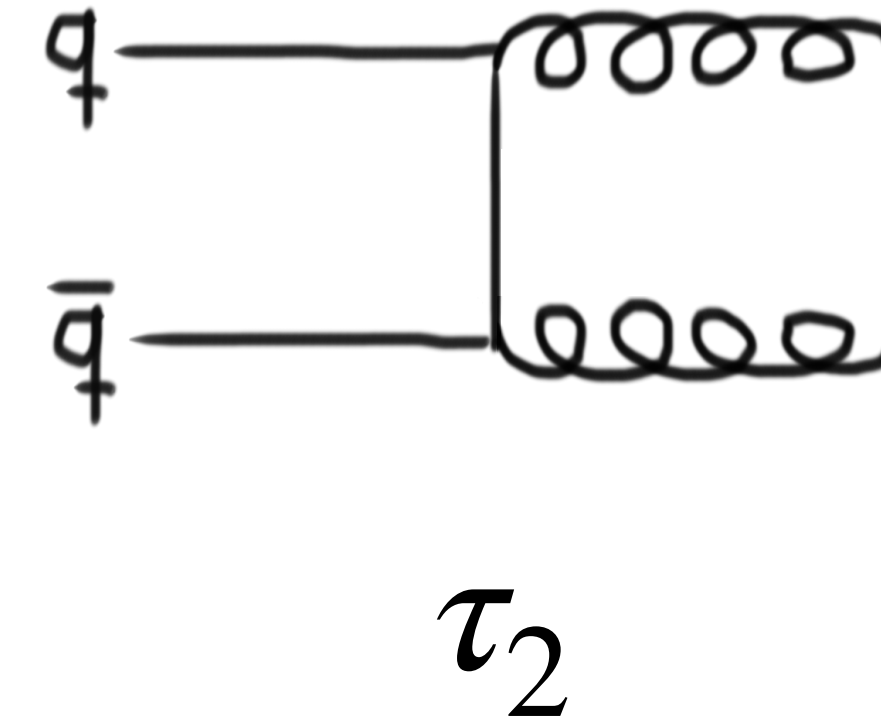
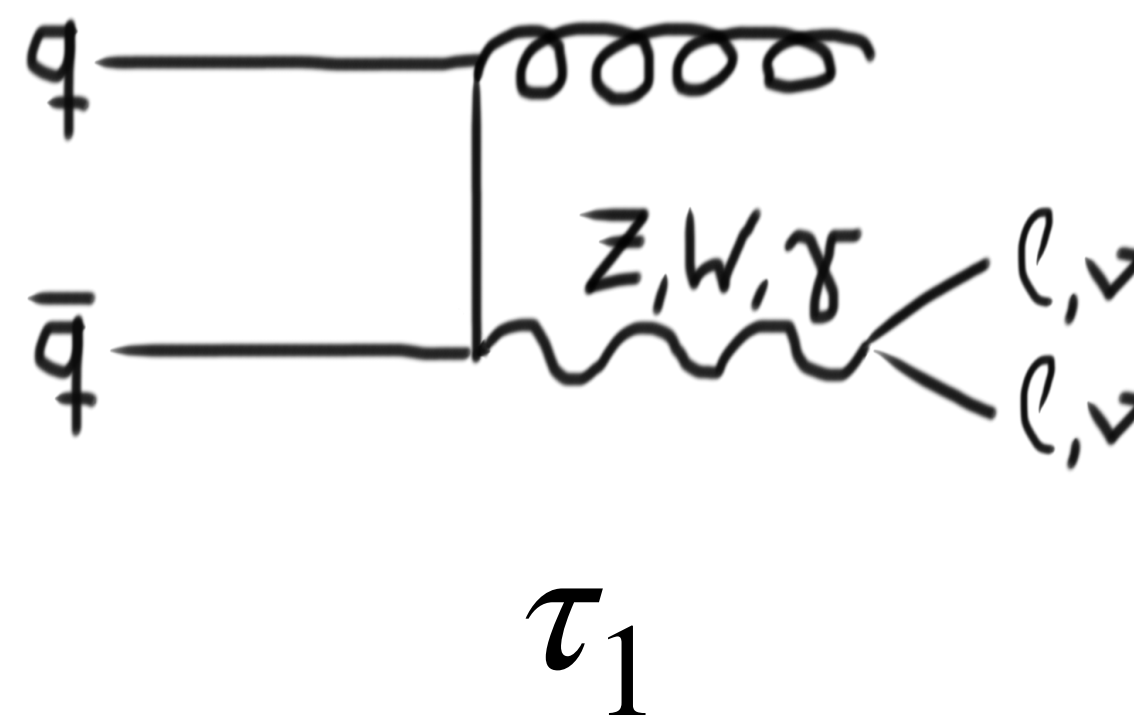
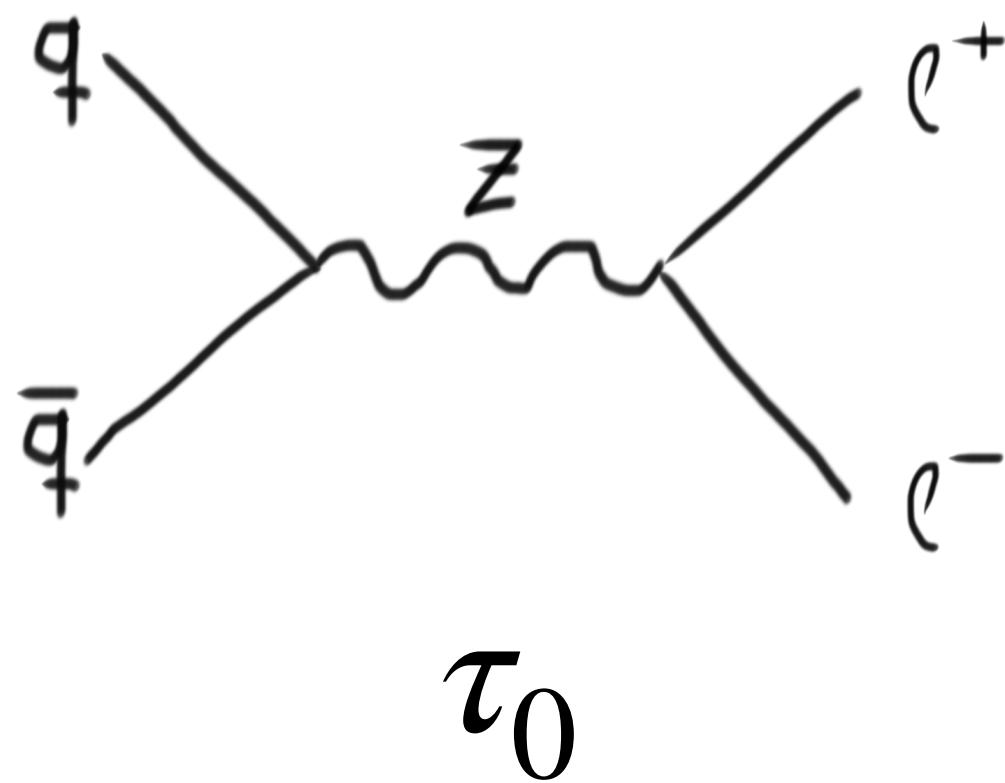
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see also Matthew's talk for recent developments in Geneva

[Alioli et al. '23]

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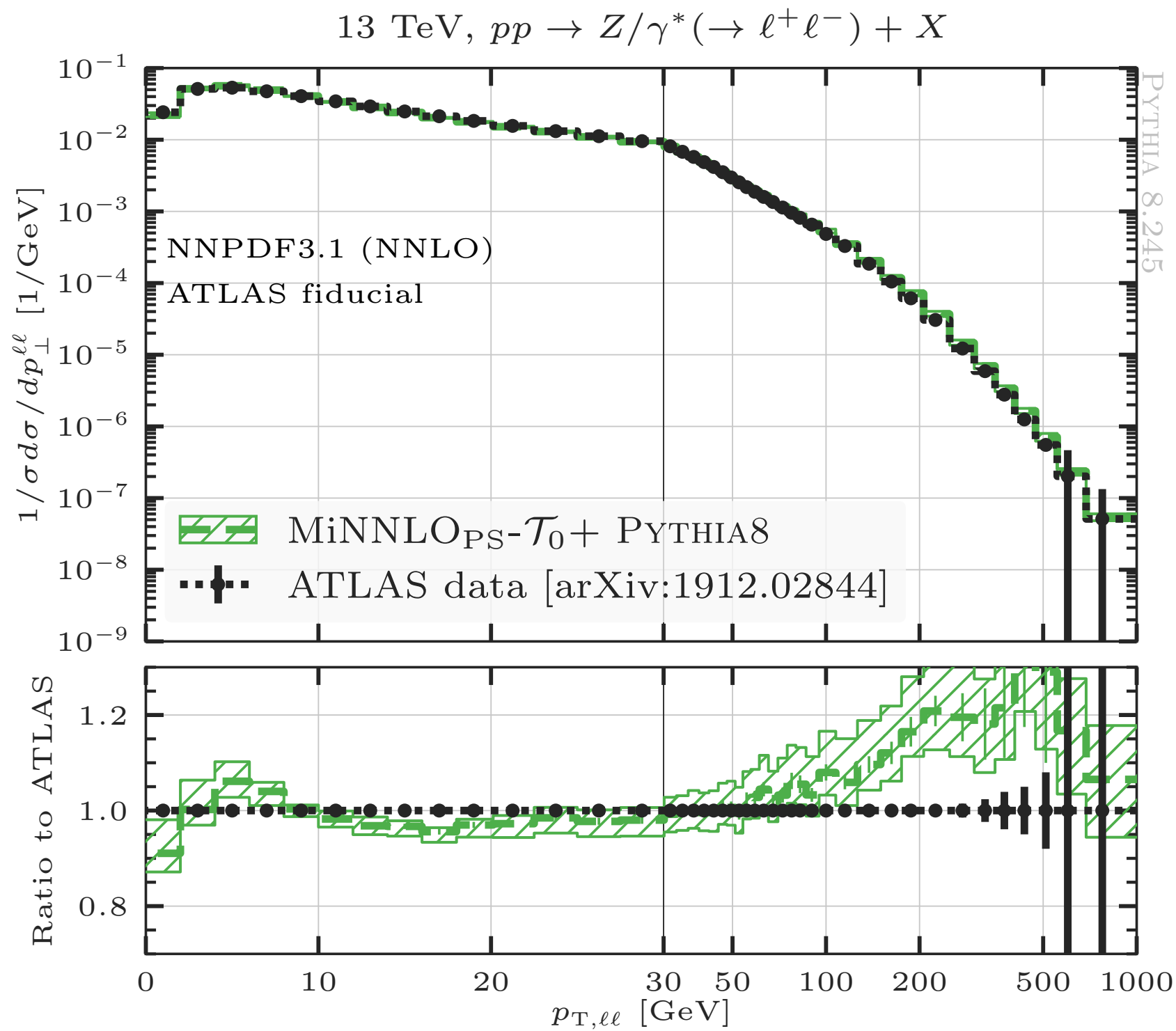
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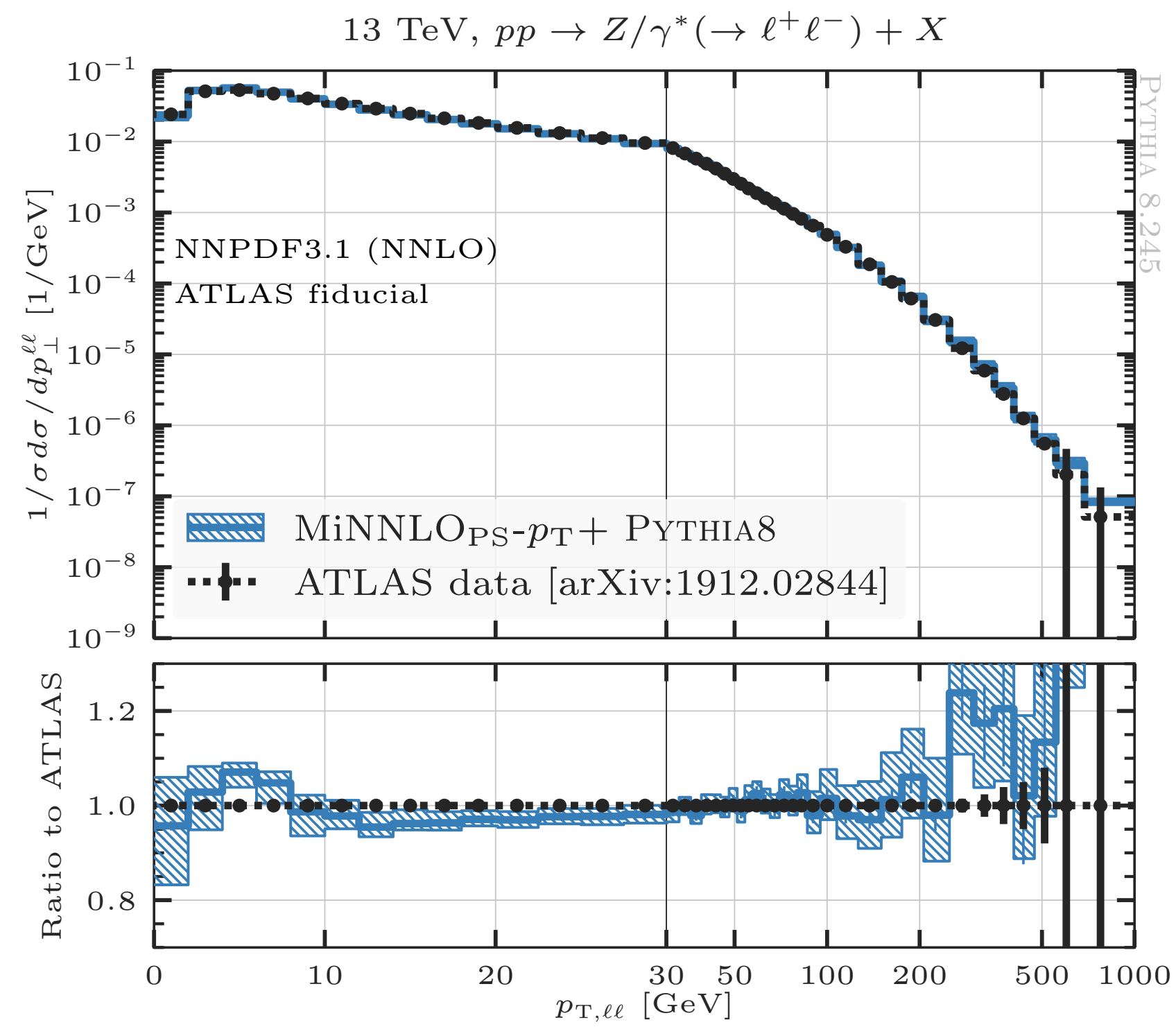
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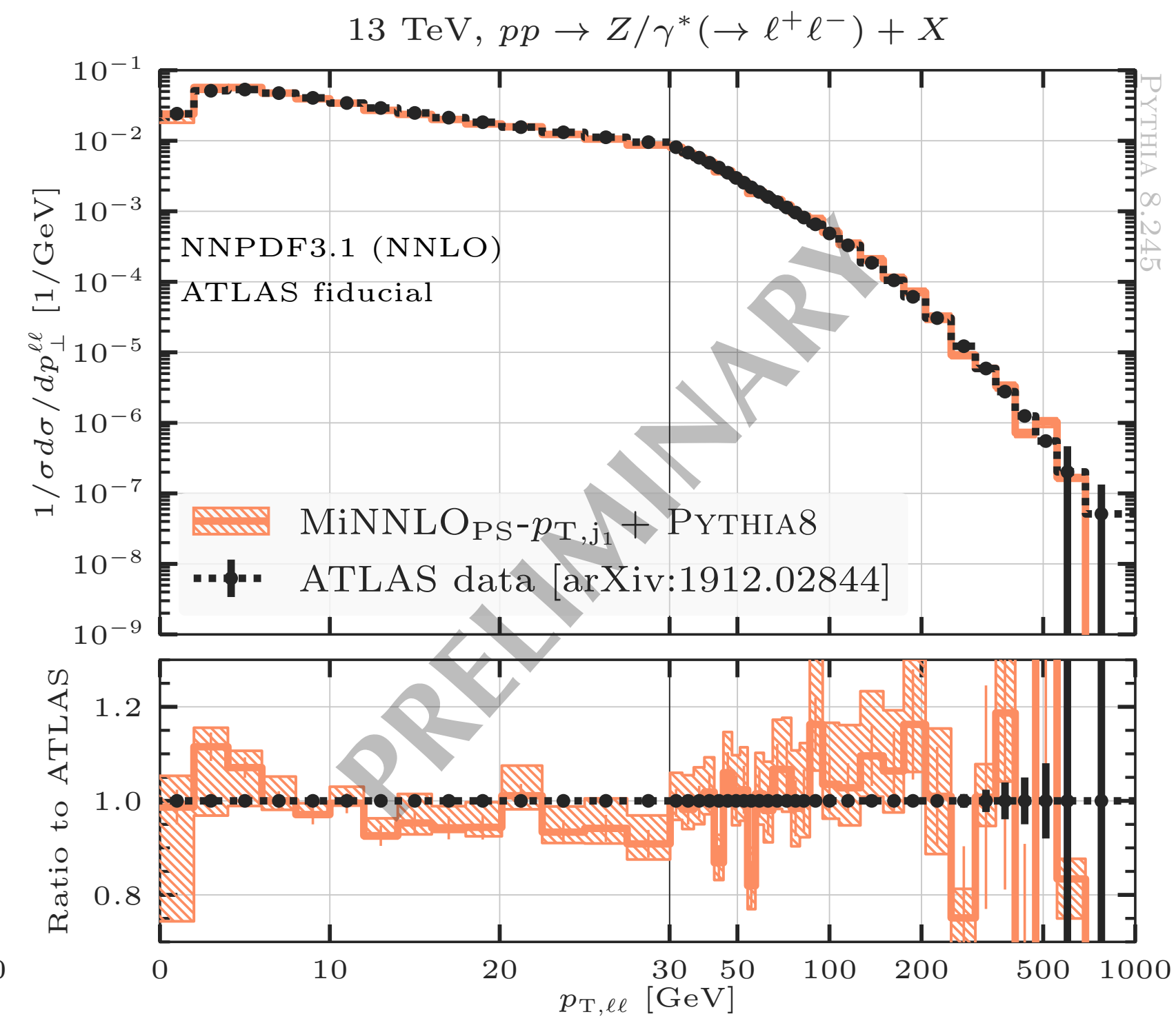
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τ_0



p_T



p_T^j

[from L. Rottoli's talk at Ringberg 2024]

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[Mazzitelli, Monni, Nason, Re, MW, Zanderighi '20 '21]

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'B-type' correction to Sudakov

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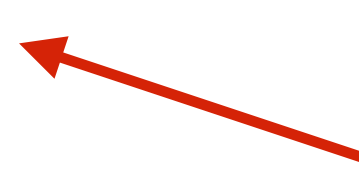
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MiNNLO_{PS} for colour singlets

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

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

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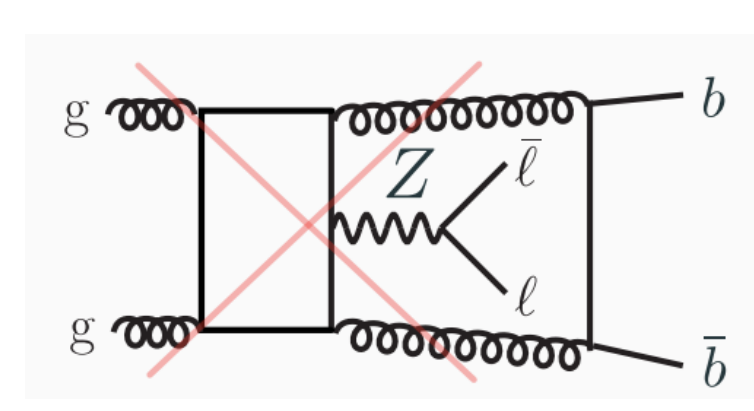
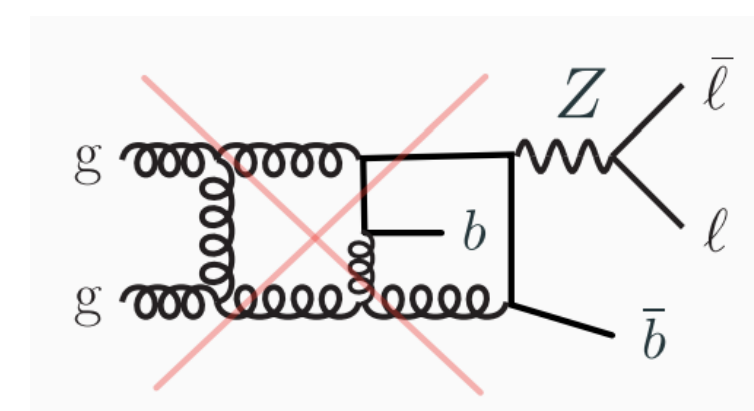
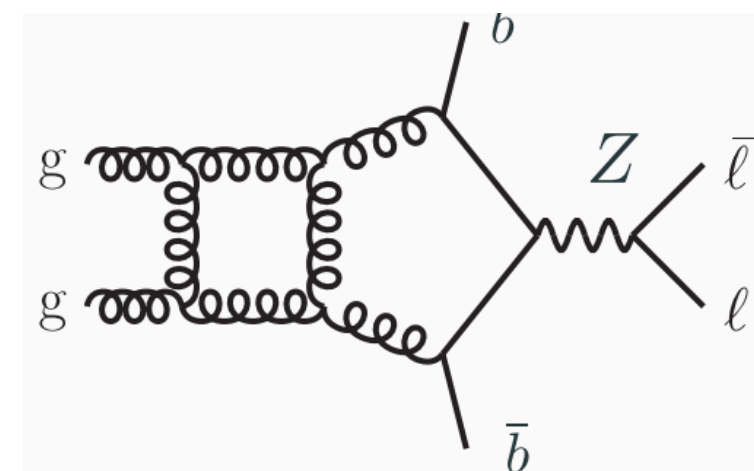
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- ★ **massless two-loop in LC approx. & dropping Z coupling to closed quark loops (small at NLO)**

(based on [Chicherin, Sotnikov, Zoia '21 | 10.07541],
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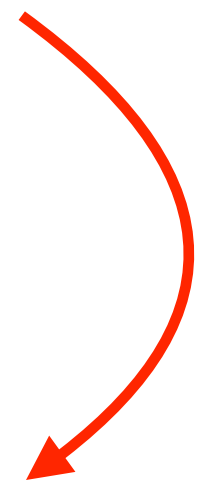
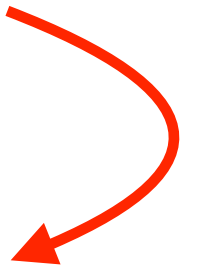
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