

# Electroweak corrections to $V + \text{jets}$ production

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# Introduction

Electroweak corrections are important not only for precision observables, but also at large transverse momenta.

Most observables driven by either

- virtual corrections, often studied in the context of vector boson or jet production at large  $p_{\perp}$  (EW-Sudakov suppression)  
→ **NLO EW calculation**
- real photon emission/bremsstrahlung, very important for most lepton observables, less important for quarks as drowned in QCD bremsstrahlung  
→ **NLO EW matched to resummation**
- real weak boson emissions, constitutes separately finite process, depending on decay channel and analysis different signature  
→ **add as separate LO process**

Resummation of genuine weak corr. important if scale  $\gg m_V$  present

# Next-to-leading order electroweak corrections

Kallweit, Lindert, Maierhöfer, Pozzorini, MS JHEP04(2015)012, JHEP04(2016)021

- fixed-order next-to-leading order electroweak corrections

$$\begin{aligned} d\sigma^{\text{NLO}} = & \int d\Phi_B [B(\Phi_B) + V_{\text{EW}}(\Phi_B) + I_{\text{QED}}(\Phi_B)] \\ & + \int d\Phi_R [R_{\text{EW}}(\Phi_R) - S_{\text{QED}}(\Phi_R)] \end{aligned}$$

- automated implementation, independent cross checks:
  - OPENLOOPS for virtual corrections (COLLIER tensor ints)  
cross checked against independent private generator
  - MUNICH for phase space integration (MEs from OPENLOOPS),  
SHERPA for Born, real em., subtraction and phase space int.
- includes interferences of diagrams of different  $\mathcal{O}(g_s^n e^m)$
- subleading Born contributions complete  $\alpha_s$  renormalisation of NLO EW correction, can be non-negligible contribution

## Next-to-leading order electroweak corrections

- generally NNPDF23\_nlo\_as\_0118\_qed (6 fl., neglect tiny top PDF)
- combine QCD and EW corrections as:

$$\text{QCD+EW: } \sigma_{\text{NLO QCD+EW}} = \sigma_{\text{LO}} (1 + \delta_{\text{QCD}} + \delta_{\text{EW}})$$

$$\text{QCD}\times\text{EW: } \sigma_{\text{NLO QCD}\times\text{EW}} = \sigma_{\text{LO}} (1 + \delta_{\text{QCD}}) (1 + \delta_{\text{EW}})$$

$\Rightarrow$  use difference as indication of potential size of  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s\alpha)$  corrs.

- already studied a range of processes:

- $pp \rightarrow V + 0, 1, 2(, 3) \text{ jets}$

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EW report arXiv:1606.02330

- $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}h$

LH'15 arXiv:1605.04692

- $pp \rightarrow Zj/pp \rightarrow \gamma j$  ratio

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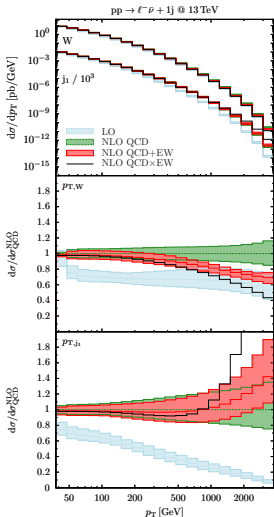
- $pp \rightarrow Vh$

FCC report, arXiv:1607.01831

- dedicated comparisons in LH'15 against RECOLA ( $Z + 2j$ ) and MADGRAPH ( $t\bar{t}h$ ) showed agreement

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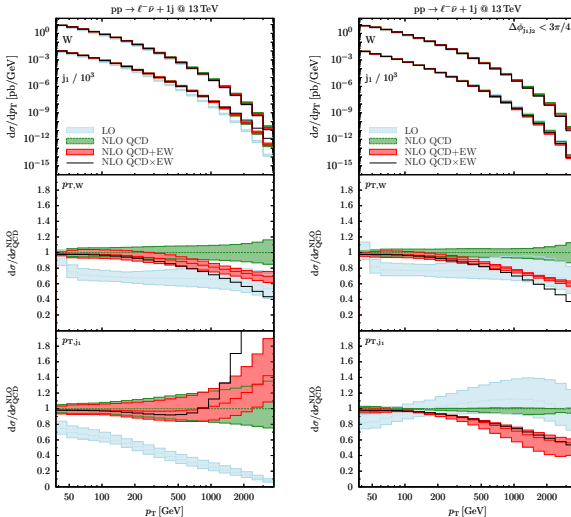
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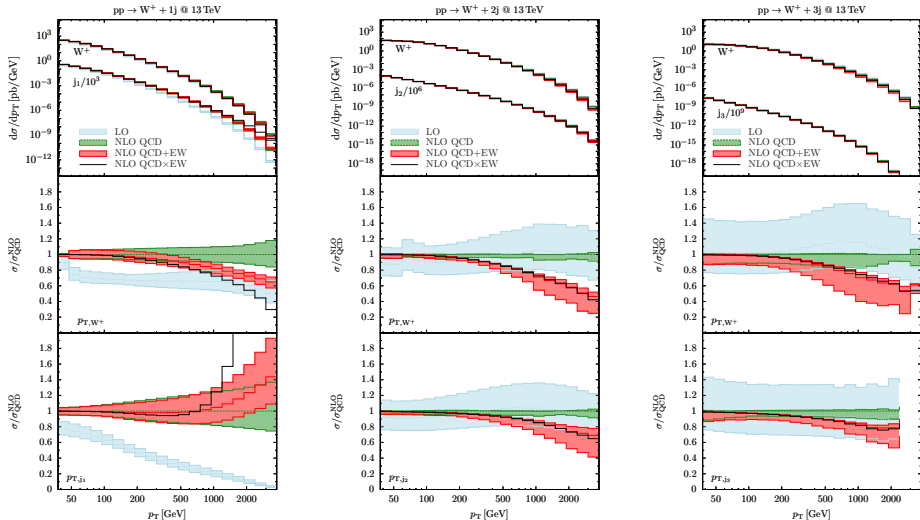
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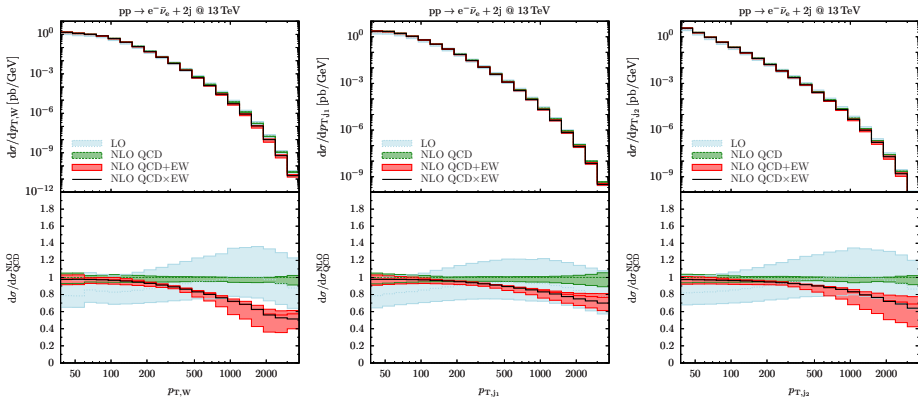
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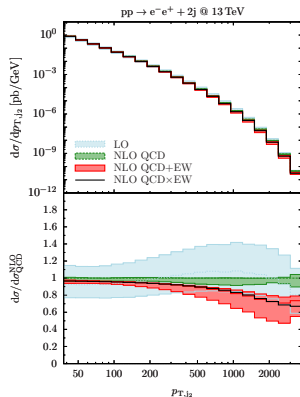
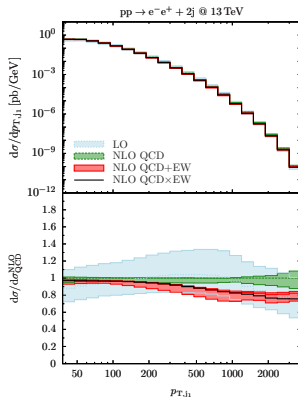
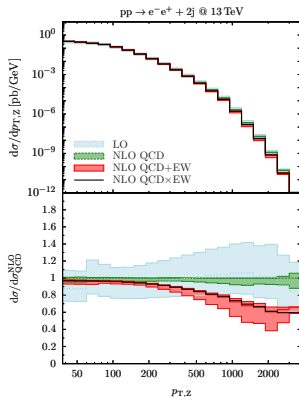
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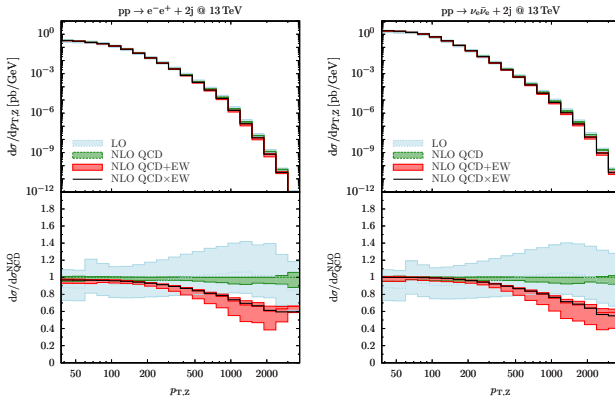
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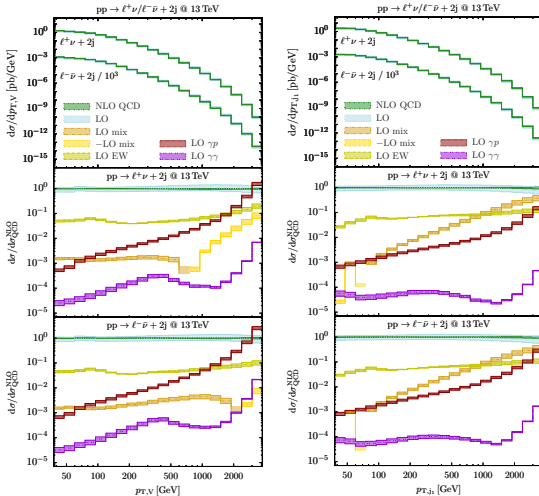
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→ EW corrections independent of the decay mode

# $pp \rightarrow Wjj$ @ 13 TeV – subleading Born contributions

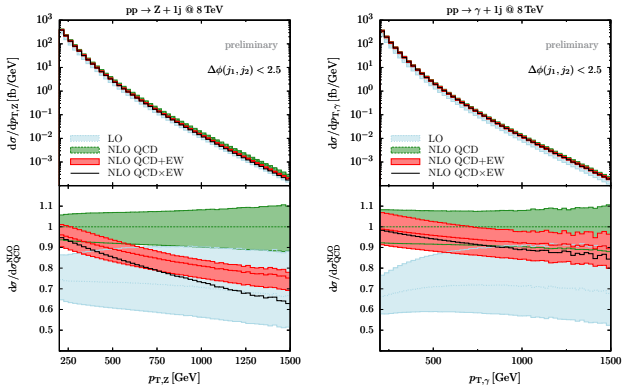
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- LO dominated by  $gq$  IS
- either  $4q$  procs (LO mix) or photon initiated  
→ can be important in TeV range (large  $x$ )
- $4q$  interferences of diagrams of different  $\mathcal{O}(g_s^n e^m)$   
→ not pos. definite
- $\gamma$ PDF has  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  unc.  
→ high- $p_\perp$  data can be used as constraint

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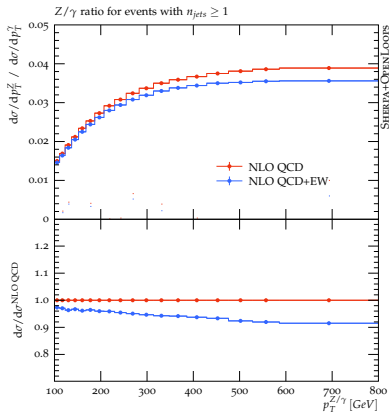
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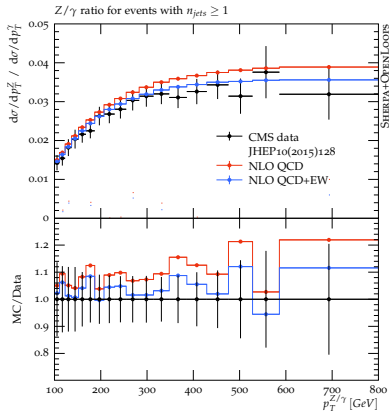
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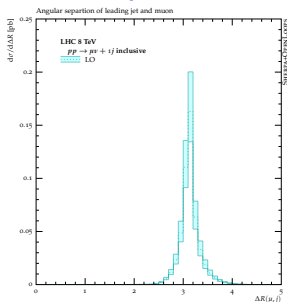
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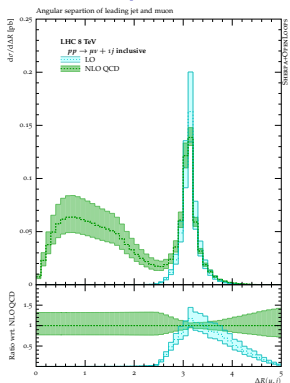


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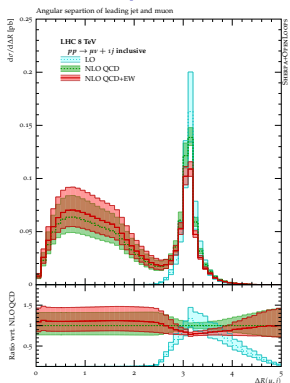


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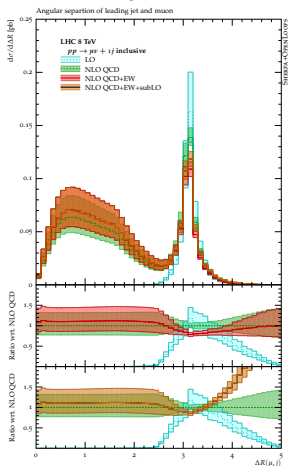


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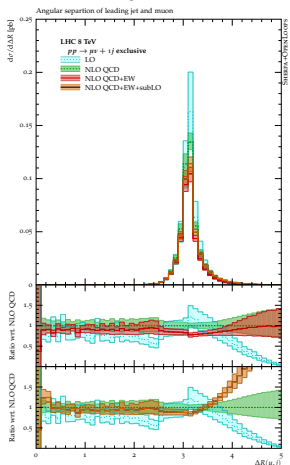


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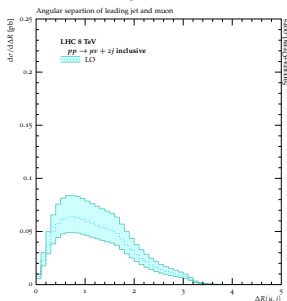


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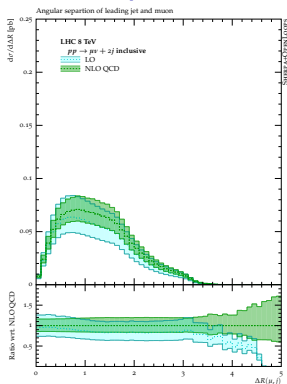


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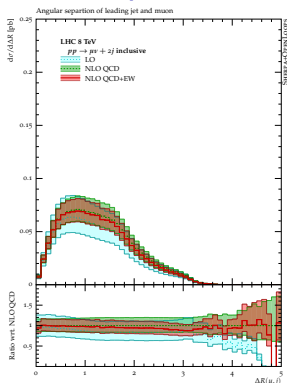


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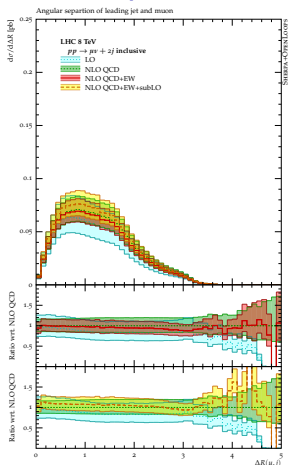


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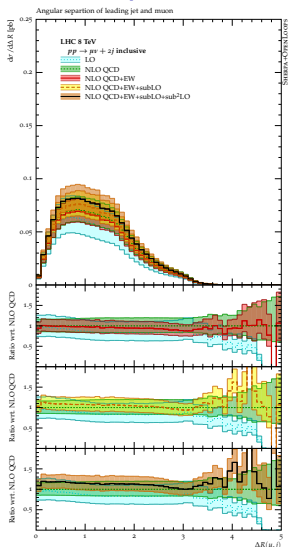


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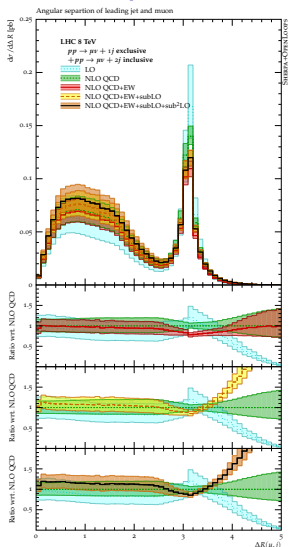
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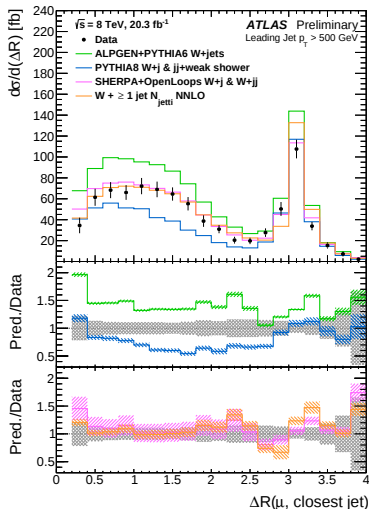


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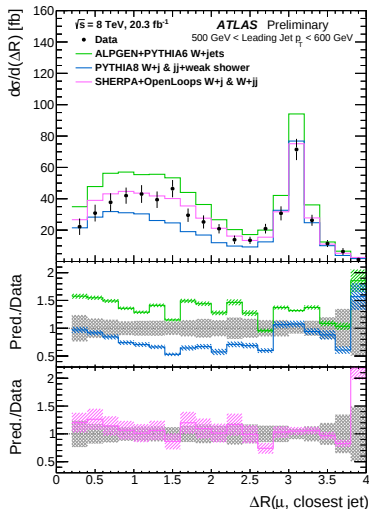
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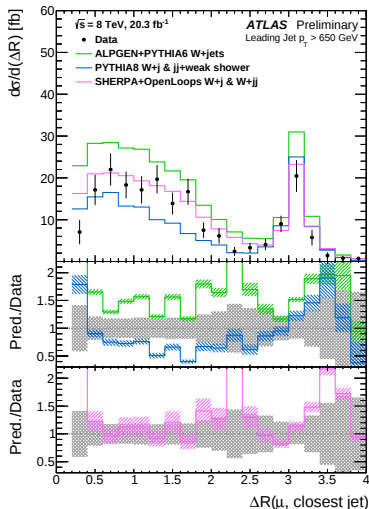


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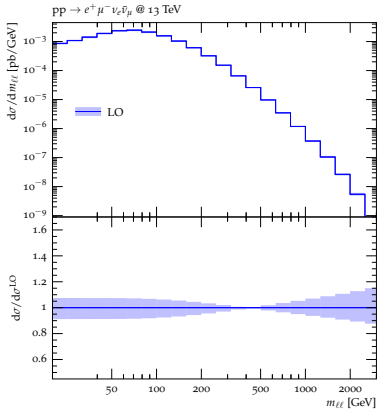
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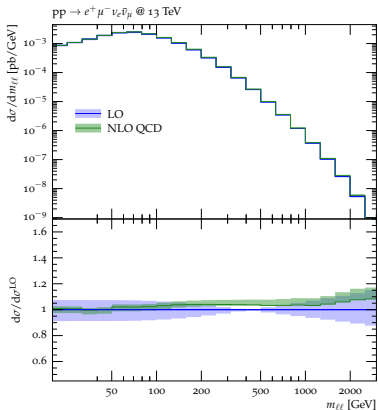


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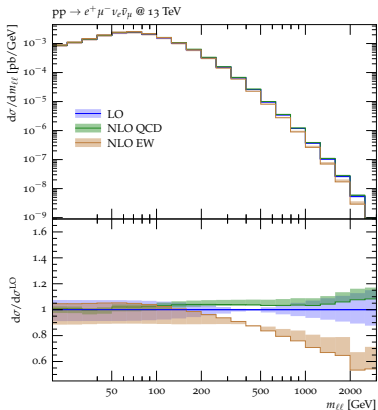


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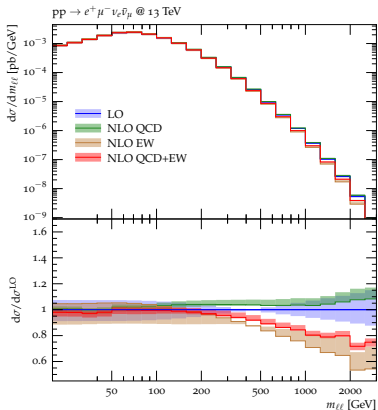


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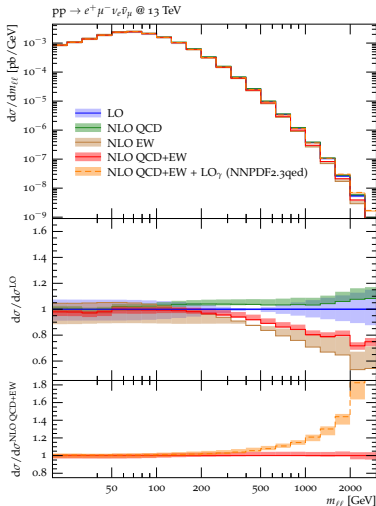


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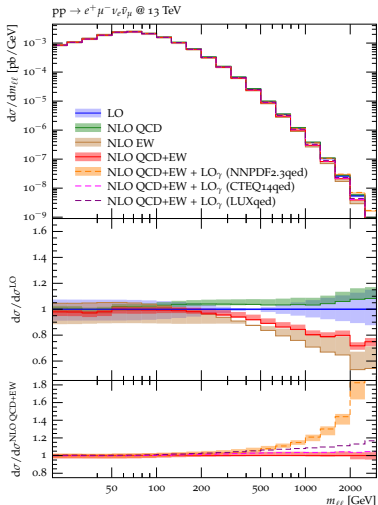


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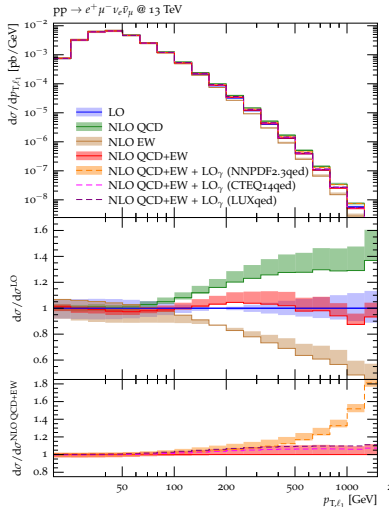


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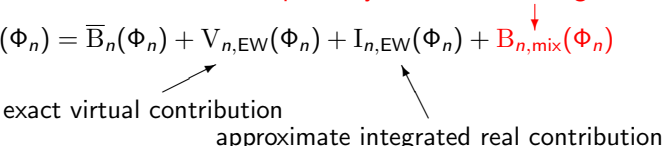
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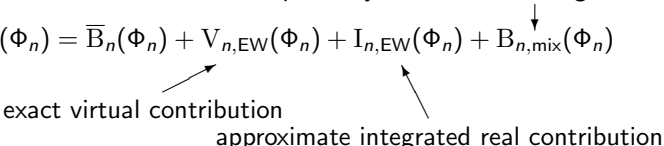
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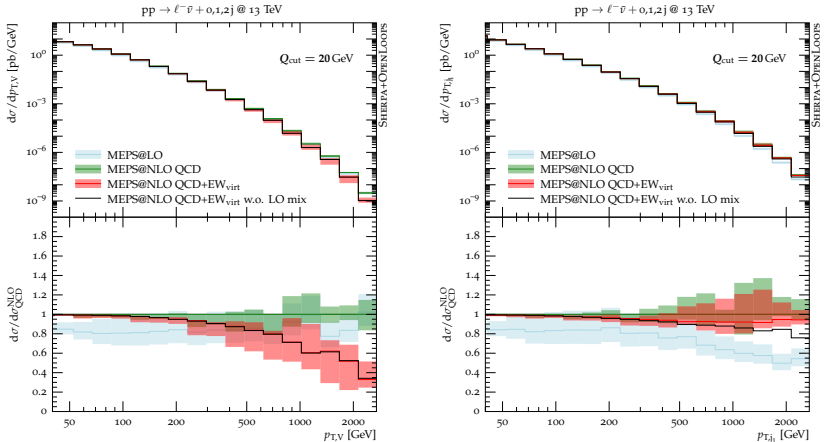


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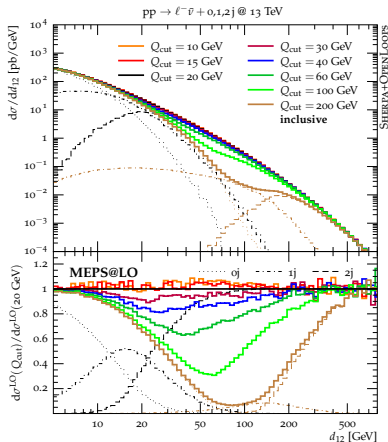
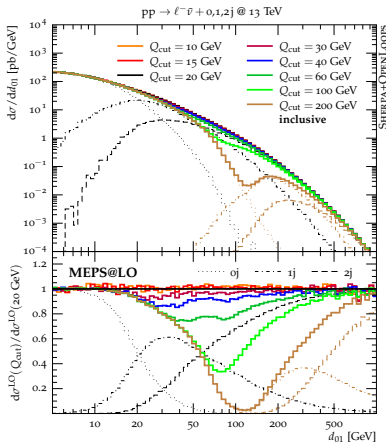
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Thank you for your attention!

# Backup

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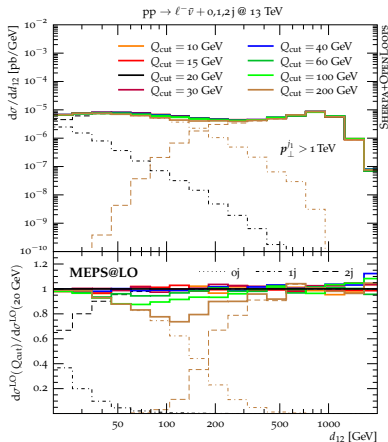
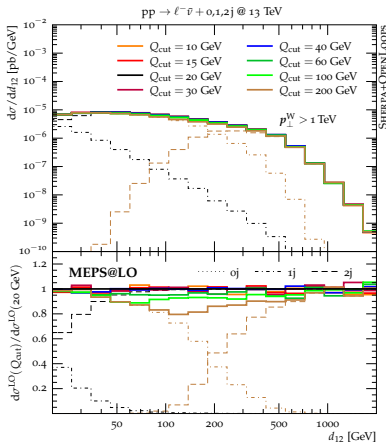
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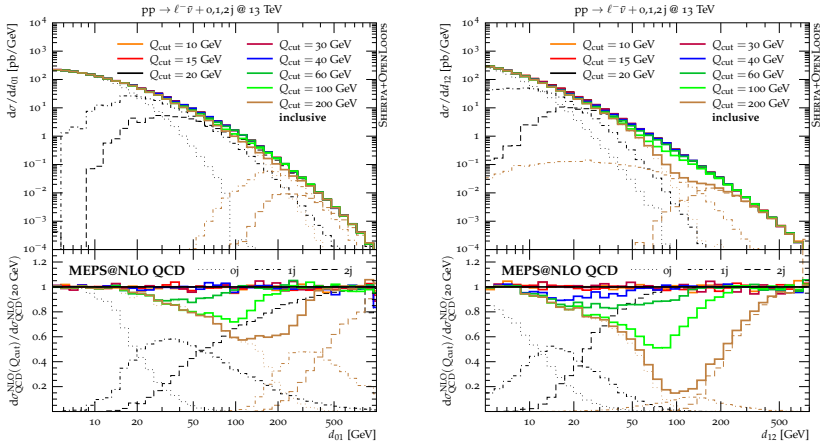
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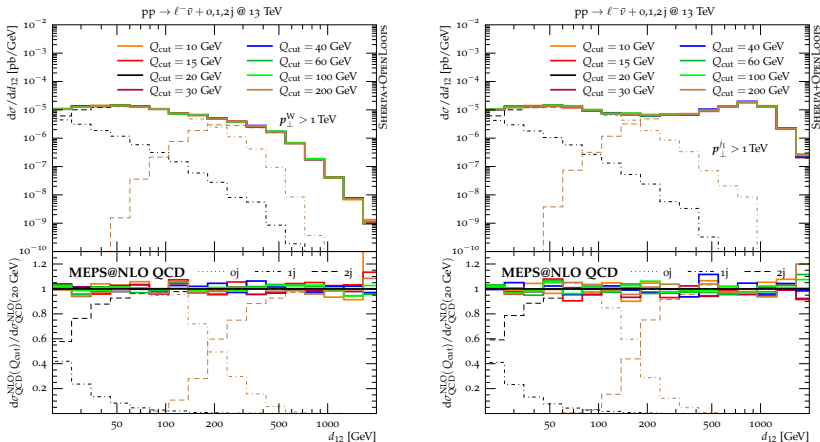
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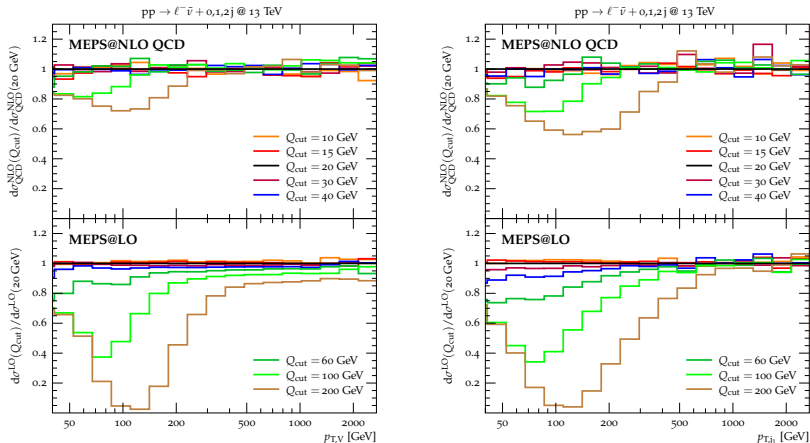
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