

Electroweak corrections for LHC physics

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Introduction

Electroweak correction come in two variants: virtual corrections and real emission correction.

Virtual electroweak corrections often studied in the context of gauge boson and jet production at large transverse momentum (EW-Sudakov suppression). Usually negative and increasing with p_{\perp} .

Real electroweak corrections usually constitute a separate process. However, largest BR of W/Z bosons is hadronic, thus (almost) indistinguishable in jet production. Nonetheless may constitute signal in itself.

When large scale differences occur resummation is needed in either case. Practically at LHC13/14 these scale differences are moderate.

Beware of subleading orders.

Outline

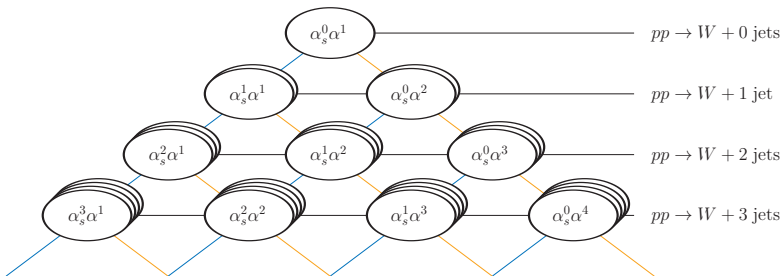
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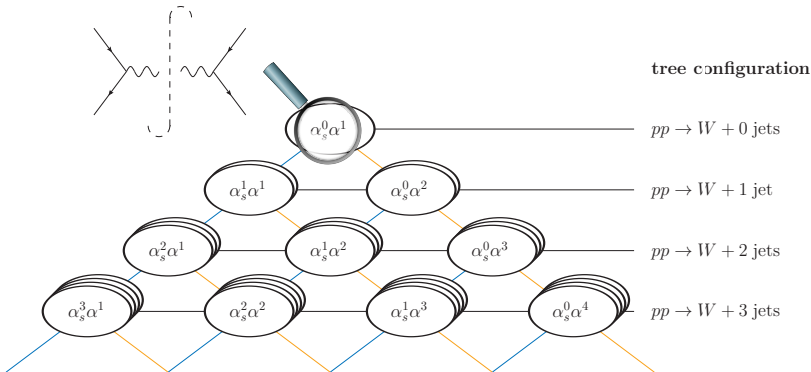
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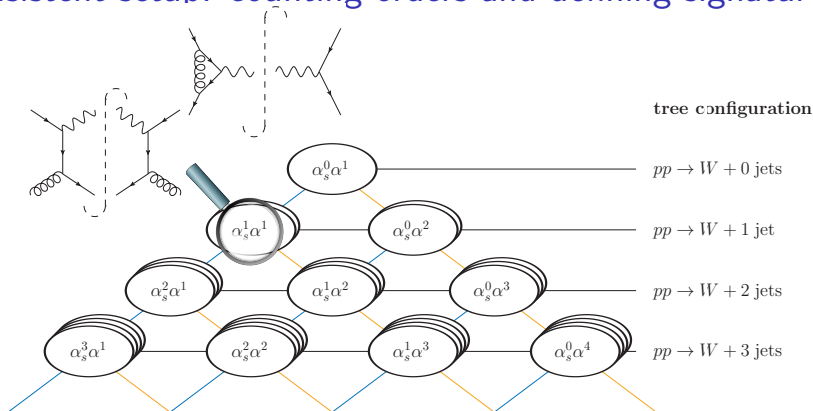
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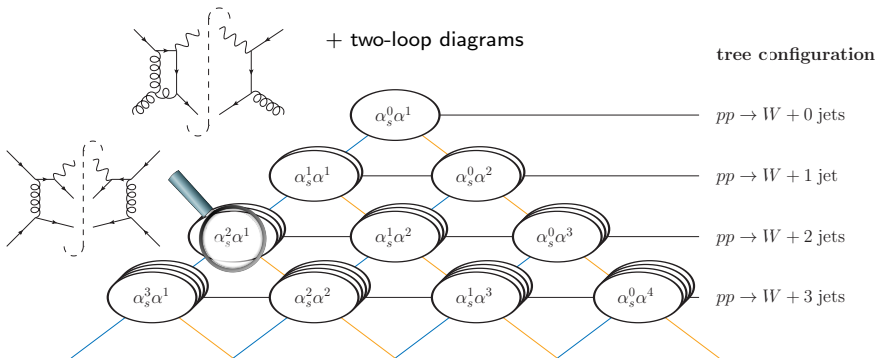


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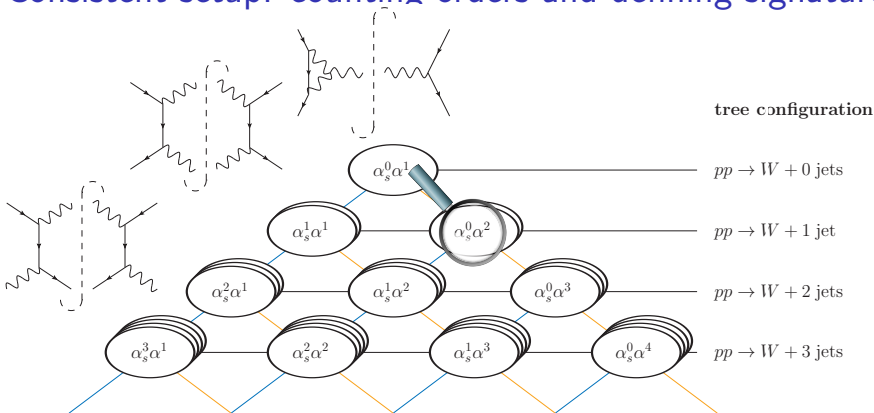
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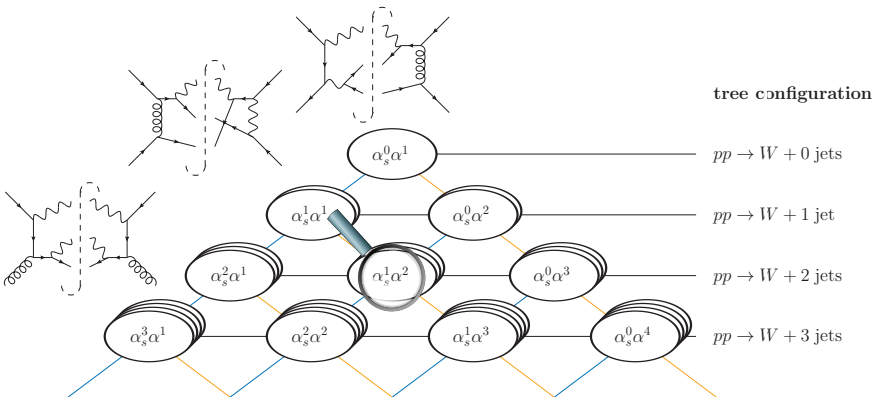


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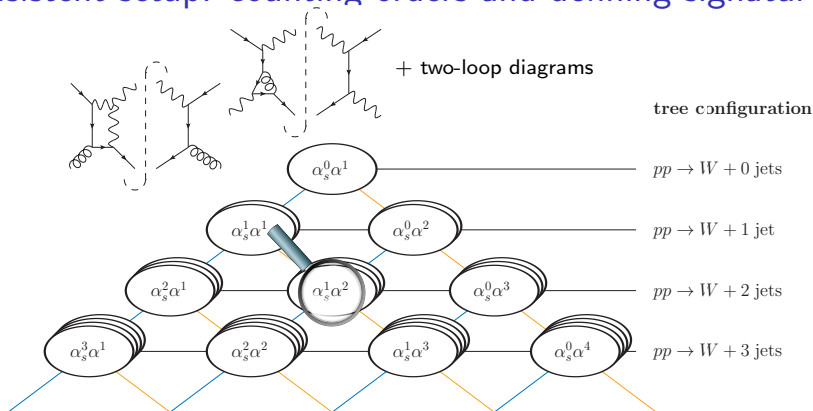
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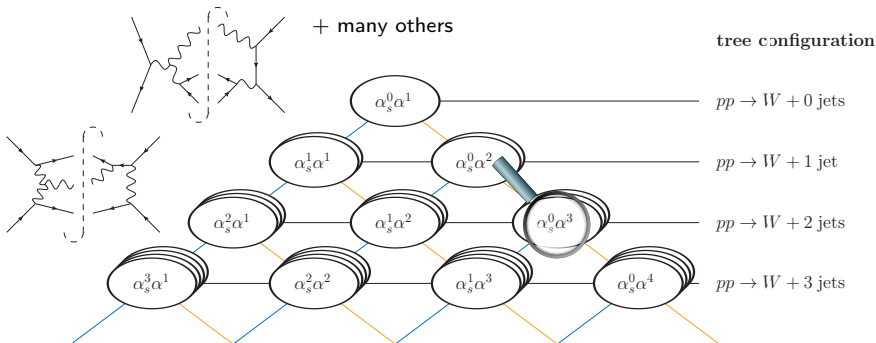
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Subtleties: photons in initial state

Harland-Lang et.al. arXiv:1605.04935, Kallweit et.al. arxiv:1705.00598

NLO EW for photon initiated processes

- initial state photons are not resolved, should be treated as any other parton
 - multiple sources: elastic (proton remains intact)
inelastic (proton broken up)
 - both elastic and inelastic photons evolve according to DGLAP
→ splittings $\gamma \rightarrow \gamma$, $\gamma \rightarrow q\bar{q}$, $q \rightarrow q\gamma$
→ can be combined into a single PDF as long as one is not concerned with what happens to the proton
 - the photon PDF (at NLO QED) contains renormalisation factors that must be cancelled by the partonic cross section
- ⇒ renormalisation in short-distance scheme (G_μ , $\alpha(m_Z)$, $\overline{\text{MS}}$, ...)

Subtleties: photons in final state

What is a jet?

- photons must be part of a jet, but to what extent?
- **democratic:**
 - + straight forward, close to experiment for many procs
 - more subtractions (Born configs with FS photons)
 - single photons constitute a jet

- **anti-tagging jets with too large photon content:**

dress quarks for collinear safety,

discard jets if $E_\gamma > z_{\text{thr}} E_{\text{jet}}$ (e.g. $z_{\text{thr}} = 0.5$)

- + fewer contributions
- difference to experimental jet definition (usually subpercent)
- ill-defined at lower order NLO correction (w/ $\gamma \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ splittings)
- single photons do not constitute a jet

general anti-tagging must proceed through fragmentation functions

Subtleties: photons in final state

What is a photon?

- differentiate: short-distance photon (photon as parton),
long-distance photon (identified, measurable photon)
- a) treat as identified particle, renormalise on-shell ($\alpha(0)$), no $\gamma \rightarrow ff$
→ renormalisation contains IR poles
→ problematic if both identified and unresolved photons in Born
- b) treat democratically (just another parton), renormalise in short distance scheme (G_μ , $\alpha(m_Z)$, \overline{MS} , ...), include $\gamma \rightarrow ff$ splittings
→ pure UV renormalisation
→ if needed, identify photon through frag. function $D_\gamma^p(z, \mu)$
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What is a lepton?

- in principle, again differentiate between short-distance parton and long-distance identified and measurable object
- simplified as leptons not gauge bosons, thus

$$D_{\ell}^{\ell}(z, \mu) = \delta(1 - z) + \text{QED bremsstrahlung}$$

$$D_{\ell}^{\gamma}(z, \mu) = \mathcal{O}(\alpha) \text{ problematic in processes with } \ell \text{ and unresolved photons in Born}$$

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- **dressed lepton**: massless leptons must be dressed for IR safety
- **bare lepton**: massive leptons may be measured bare
- **Born lepton**: not an infrared-safe concept

Combination of NLO QCD and EW correction

- additive – strict fixed order expansion

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

- multiplicative – contains terms of $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s\alpha)$

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

this construction is expected to well approximate the true $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s\alpha)$ in the Sudakov limit where QCD and EW corrections factorise

- ⇒ in general, difference between additive and multiplicative combination can be used to assign higher-order uncertainty



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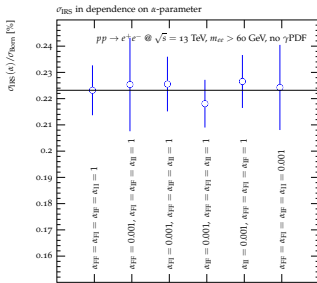
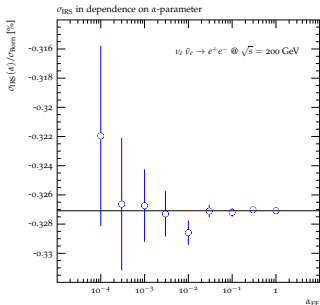
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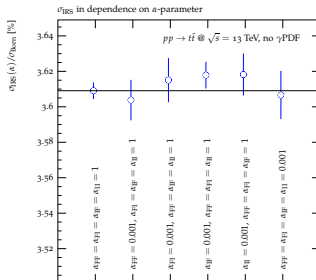
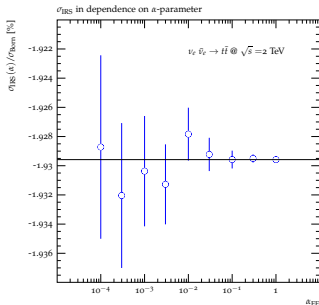
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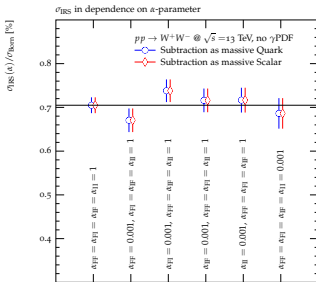
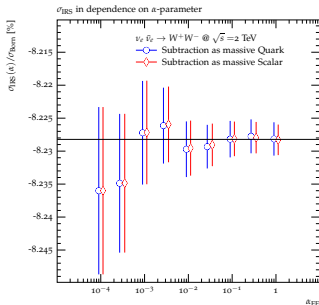


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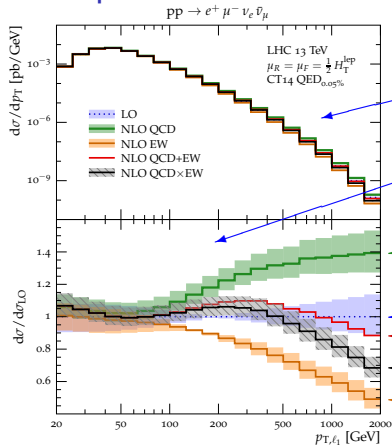
- study $e^+ \mu^- \nu \bar{\nu}$ (DF) and $e^+ e^- \nu \bar{\nu}$ (SF) production

DF	$e^+ \mu^- \nu_e \bar{\nu}_\mu$	WW
SF	$e^+ e^- \nu_e \bar{\nu}_e$	$WW + ZZ$
	$e^+ e^- \nu_{\mu/\tau} \bar{\nu}_{\mu/\tau}$	ZZ

- SHERPA for Born, real em., subtraction and phase space integration, MUNICH (MEs from OPENLOOPS) for subtraction and p. s. int.
- OPENLOOPS for virtual corrections using COLLIER for tensor integrals
- dress quarks and leptons in $\Delta R = 0.1$,
incl. event selection w/ standard lepton acceptance cuts,
 $n_f = 4$ and mild jet veto to suppress large NLO QCD corr.



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absolute prediction

relative correction wrt. LO

NLO QCD (w/ moderate jet veto)

LO

NLO QCD+EW

NLO QCD \otimes EW

NLO EW

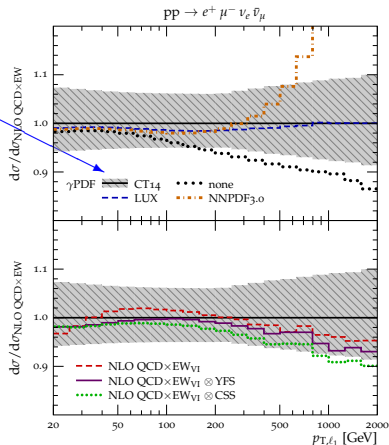
- large pos. NLO QCD, large neg. NLO EW
 → NLO QCD+EW and NLO QCD \otimes EW differ significantly

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relative importance of γ -induced channels wrt. NLO $\text{QCD} \times \text{EW}$

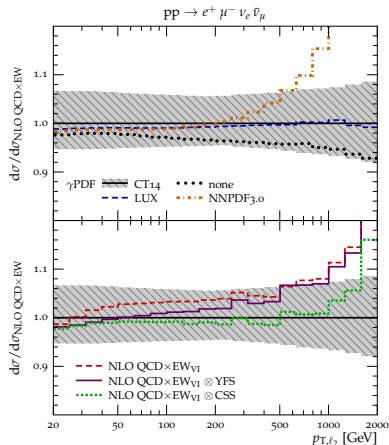
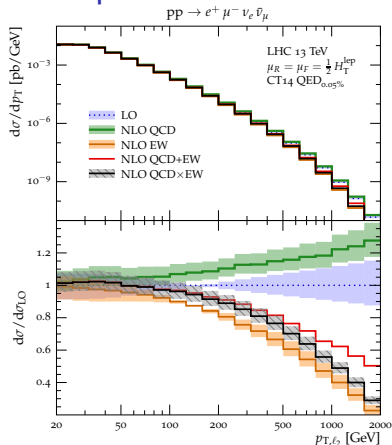
CT14qed (baseline)
LUXqed

no γ PDF
NNPDF3.0qed



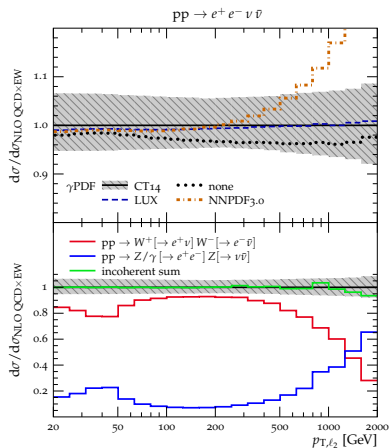
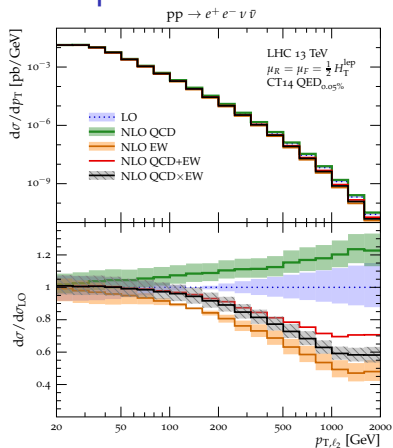
- all γ PDF agree that γ -ind. $> 10\%$ for $p_T > 500$ GeV
- very good agreement between CT14qed and LUXqed

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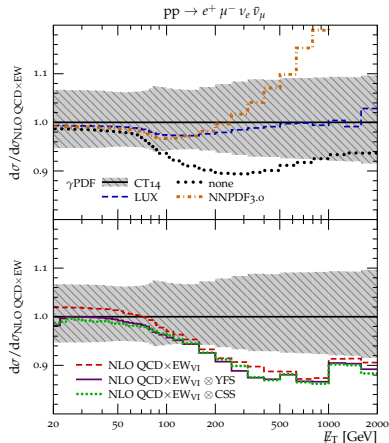
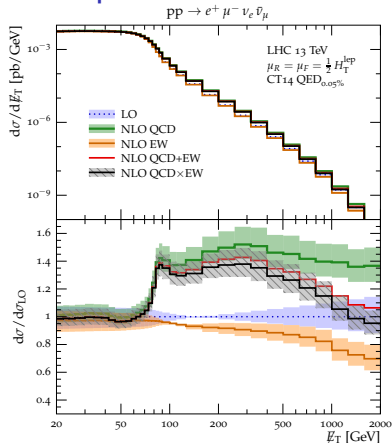
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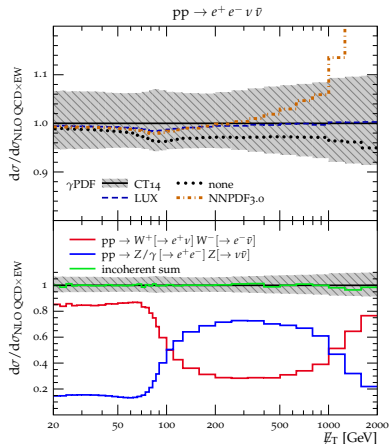
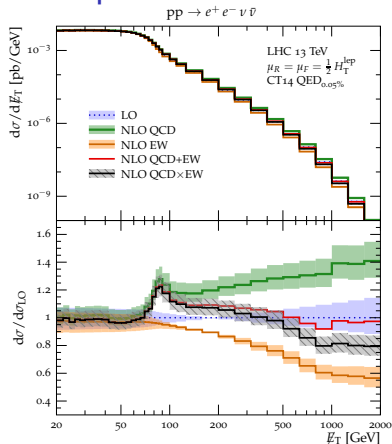
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- kinematic suppression for $p_T^{\nu\nu}$ at LO, unlocked at NLO QCD
 not present in γ -induced \Rightarrow large contrib

Diboson production – $2\ell 2\nu$ – SF



- kinematic suppression for $p_T^{\nu\nu}$ for WW , but not ZZ
 ZZ dominates for $\text{MET} > 100$ GeV with large EW corr.

Triboson production – $3\ell 3\nu$ – 0, 1, 2 SFOS

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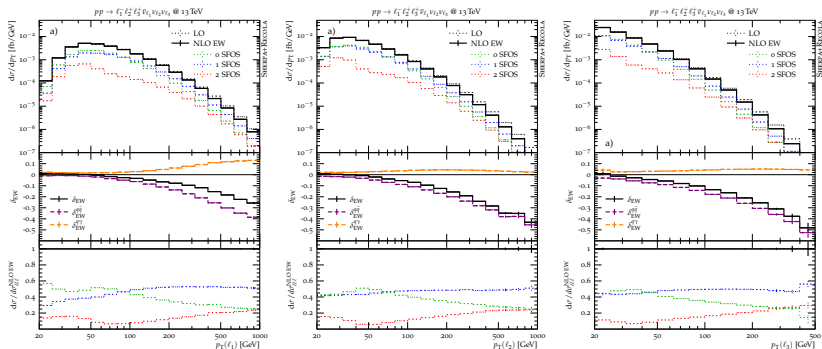
- contributes from 0 SFOS ($e^- \mu^+ \mu^+ \bar{\nu} \nu \nu$), 1 SFOS ($e^- e^+ \mu^+ \bar{\nu} \nu \nu$) and 2 SFOS ($e^- e^+ e^+ \bar{\nu} \nu \nu$) processes, and $e \leftrightarrow \mu$

0 SFOS	$e^- \mu^+ \mu^+ \bar{\nu}_e \nu_\mu \nu_\mu$	WWW
1 SFOS	$e^- e^+ \mu^+ \bar{\nu}_e \nu_e \nu_\mu$	WWW + WZZ
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2 SFOS	$e^- e^+ e^+ \bar{\nu}_e \nu_e \nu_e$	WWW + WZZ
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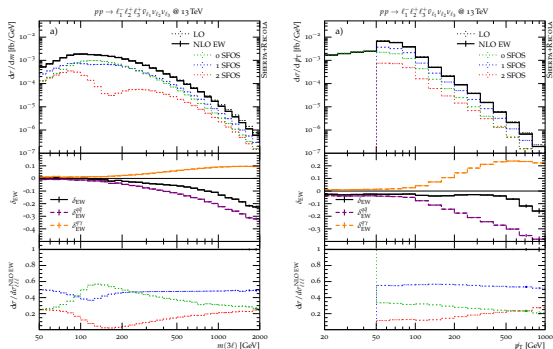
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- includes 0, 1, 2 SFOS processes (WWW and WZZ structures)
- EW correction (incl. γ -induced) important

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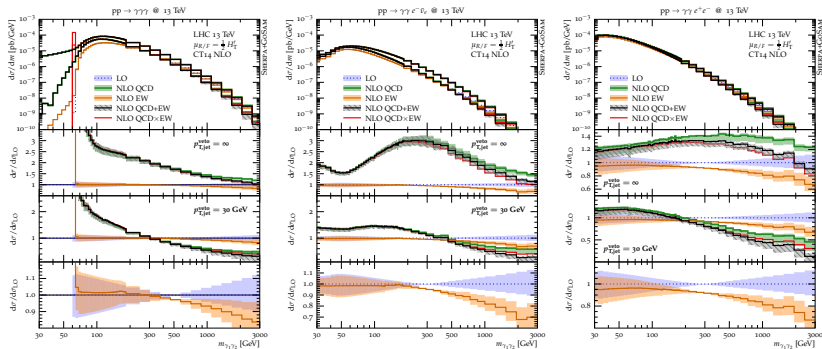
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- GOSAM for virtual corrections
- dress quarks and leptons in $\Delta R = 0.1$, optional jet veto

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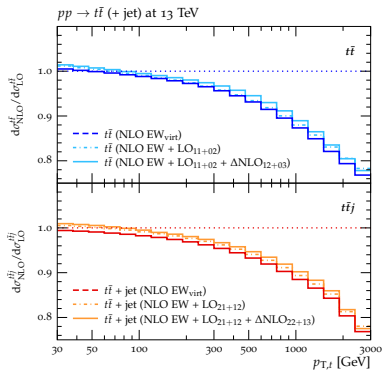
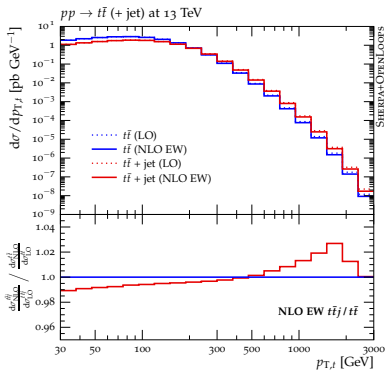
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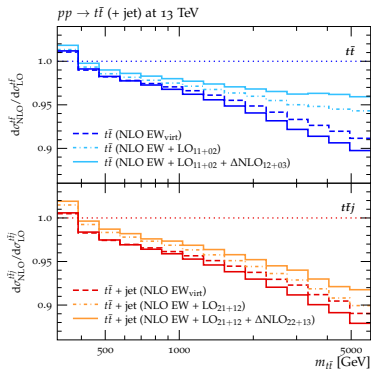
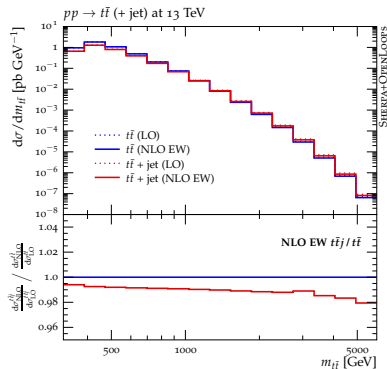


Observation: NLO EW factorises from additional jet activity when rather inclusive on jet definition

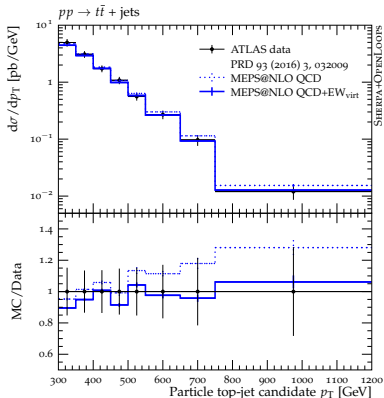


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Observation: subleading orders important

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- $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} + 0, 1j@NLO$
+ 2, 3, 4j@LO
- additional LO multiplicities inherit electroweak corrections through MENLOPS differential K -factor

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arXiv:1009.1127

- improved description of data

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Collinear limit with $E \gg m$

- QED parton showers well known and available in every major shower
- approximation to collinear (vector) boson emission in limit $E \gg m$, in dipole language (splitter-spectator pairs): $f(s) \rightarrow f^{(')}V(s)$

$$d\sigma_{n+V} = d\sigma_n \sum_f \sum_s^{n_{\text{spec}}} dt dz \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} \frac{1}{n_{\text{spec}}} J(t, z) \mathcal{K}_{f(s) \rightarrow f^{(')}V(s)}(t, z)$$

- emitter fermion f , suitable spectator s
- flavour change $f \rightarrow f'$ in case of W emissions
- IS kernels contain ratio of PDFs (change in $x, Q, \text{flavour}$)
- similar ansatz with diff. kernels in [Christiansen, Sjöstrand JHEP04\(2014\)115](#)
- new developments [Chen, Han, Tweedie arXiv:1611.00788](#)
[Bauer, Ferland, Webber JHEP08\(2017\)036](#)

Splitting kernels

Denner, Hebenstreit unpublished

- use Denner-Hebenstreit expressions modified into CDST form

$$\mathcal{K}_{f(s) \rightarrow f' W(s)}(t, z) = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi t} \left[f_W c_{\perp}^W \tilde{V}_{f(s) \rightarrow f' b(s)}^{\text{CDST}}(t, z) + f_h c_L^W \frac{1}{2} (1 - z) \right]$$

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$$c_{\perp}^W = s_{\text{eff}} \frac{1}{2s_W^2} |V_{ff'}|^2, \quad c_{\perp}^Z = s_{\text{eff}} \frac{s_W^2}{c_W^2} Q_f^2 + (1 - s_{\text{eff}}) \frac{(I_f^3 - s_W^2 Q_f^2)^2}{s_W^2 c_W^2},$$

$$c_L^W = \frac{1}{2s_W^2} |V_{ff'}|^2 \left[s_{\text{eff}} \frac{m_f^2}{m_W^2} + (1 - s_{\text{eff}}) \frac{m_f^2}{m_W^2} \right], \quad c_L^Z = \frac{I_f^3}{s_W^2} \frac{m_f^2}{m_W^2},$$

- couplings $ff^{(\prime)} V$ depend on spin of f , but standard parton showers are spin averaged (no spin information)
- process dependent average spin of fermion line s_{eff}
 $\Rightarrow pp \rightarrow jj: s_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2}, pp \rightarrow W: s_{\text{eff}} = 1$, undefined in general
- factors f_W, f_Z, f_h modify couplings to test sensitivity

Krauss, Petrov, MS, Spannowsky Phys.Rev.D89(2014)114006

Can we see radiated W bosons inside jets at the LHC (14 TeV)?

- need high- p_{\perp} jets to produce real W bosons at sufficient rate
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Boosted analysis:

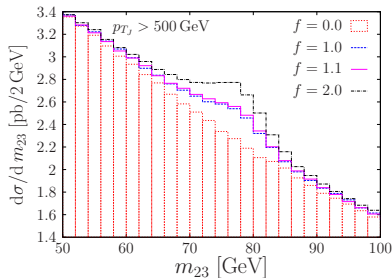
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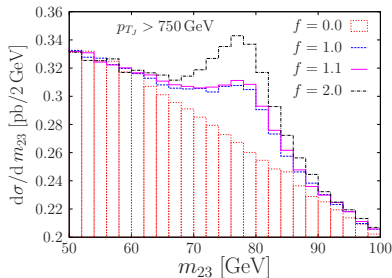
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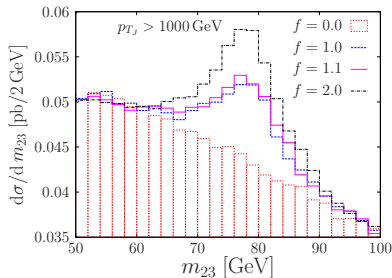
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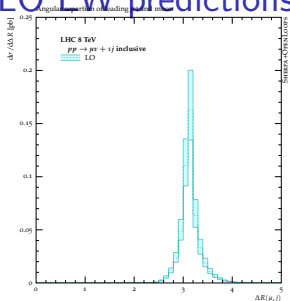
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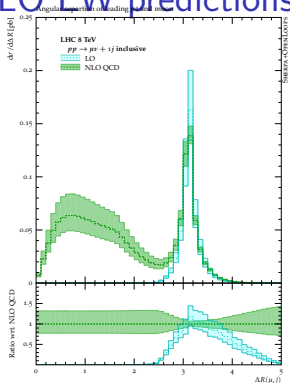


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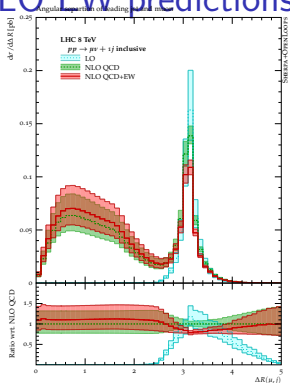
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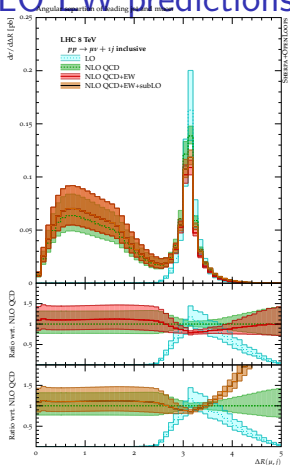
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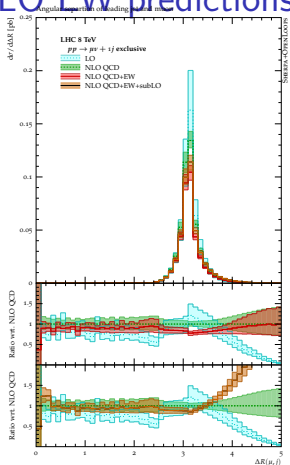
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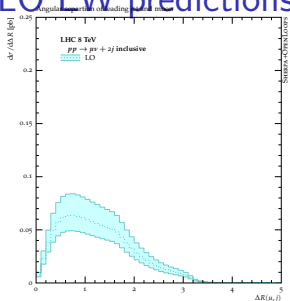
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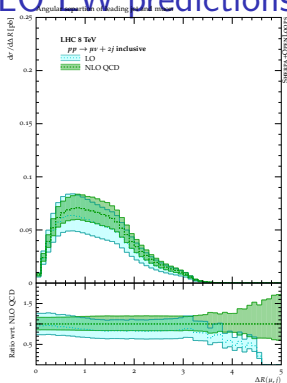
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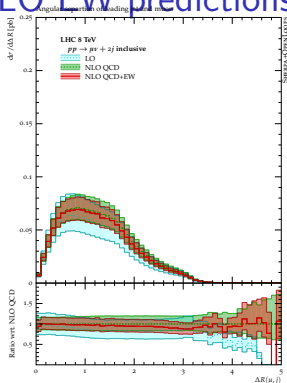
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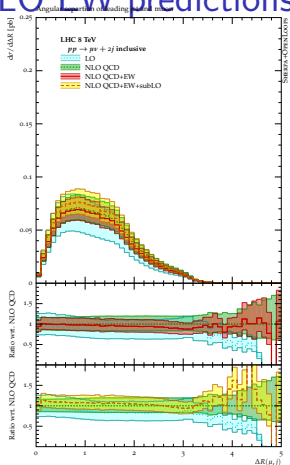
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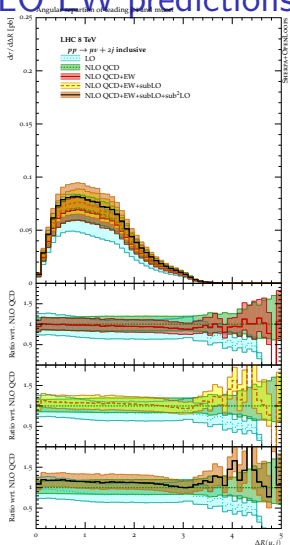
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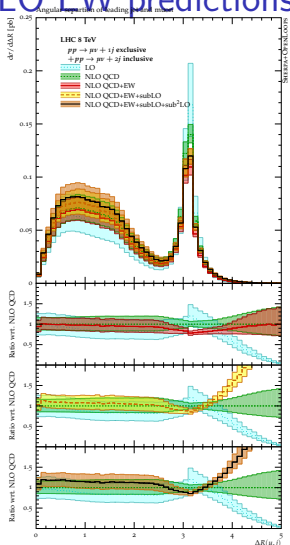
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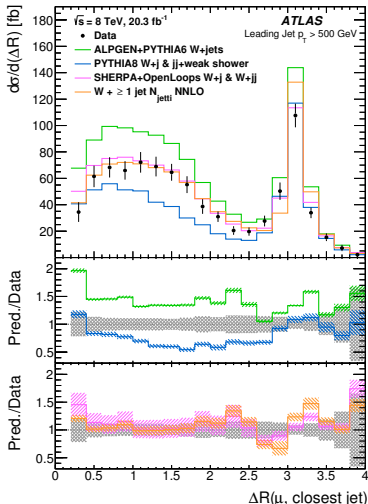
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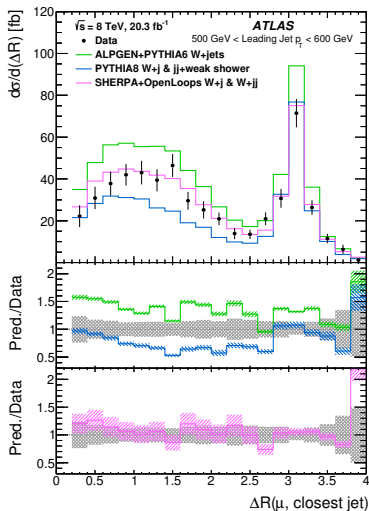
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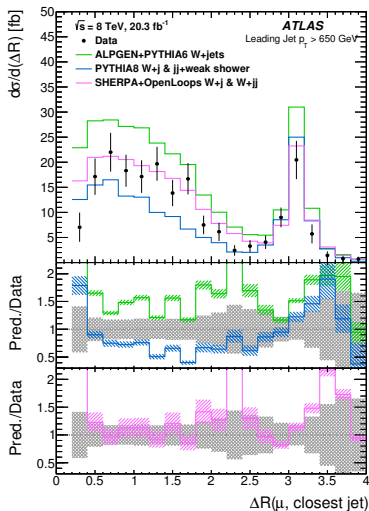
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Conclusions

- electroweak effects are important at LHC, HE-LHC, FCC, etc.
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- can be incorporated in multijet merging to improve description in those regions
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 - much more care with consistent schemes and order counting
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 - includes many more pitfalls than NLO QCD
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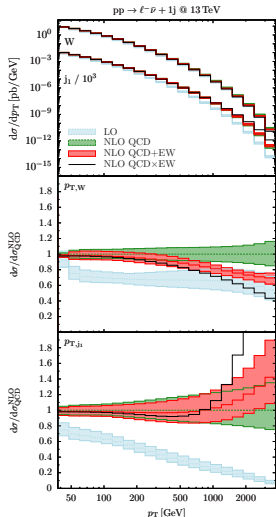
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Backup



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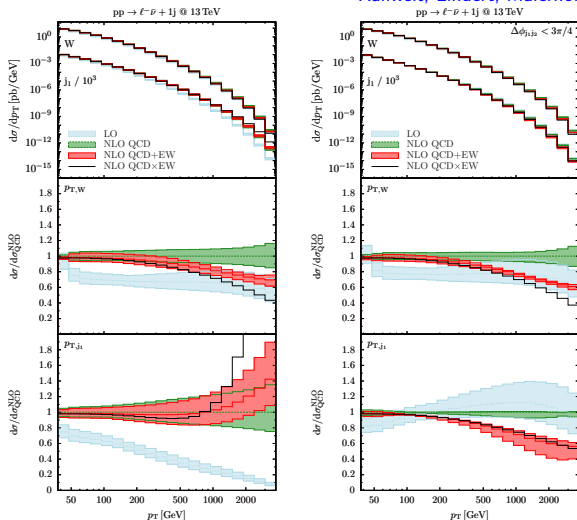
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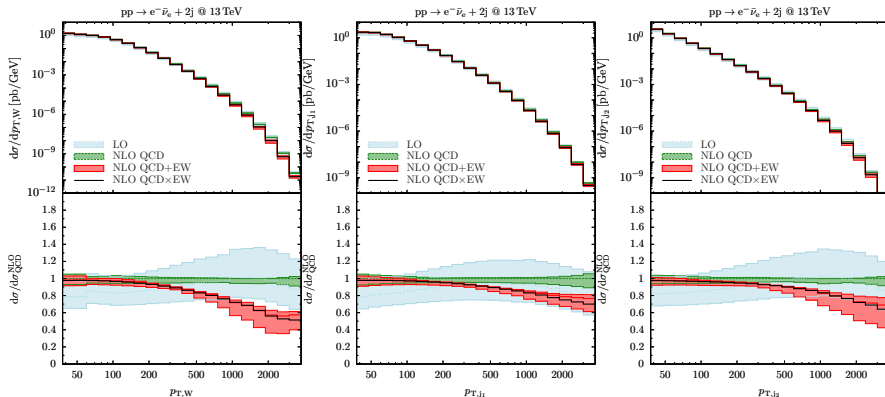
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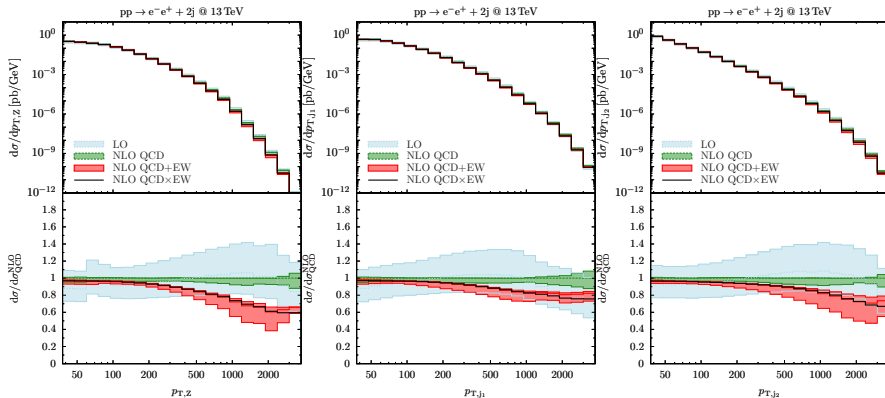
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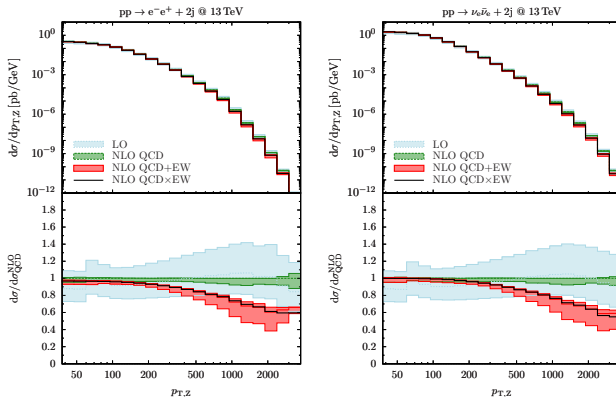
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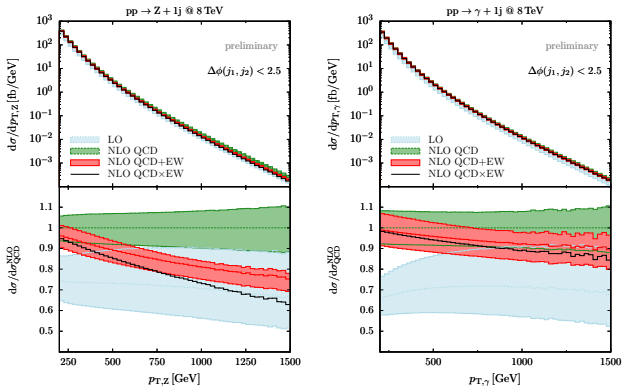


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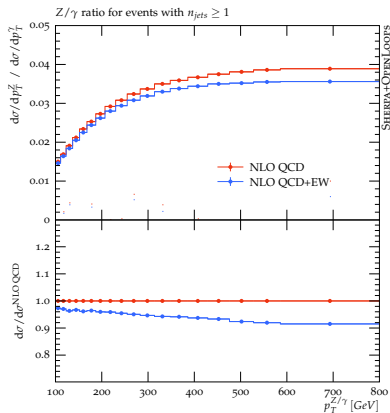
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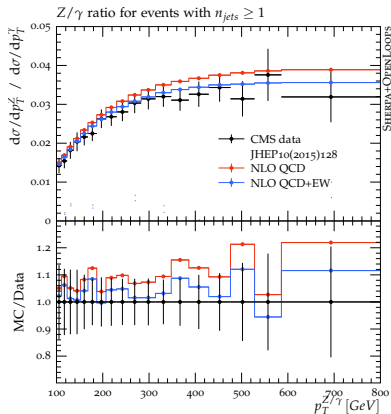
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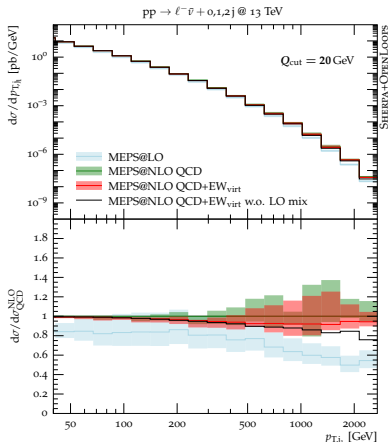
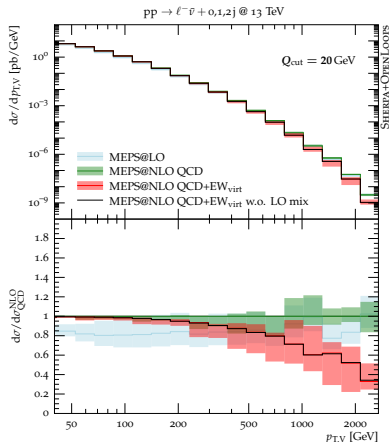
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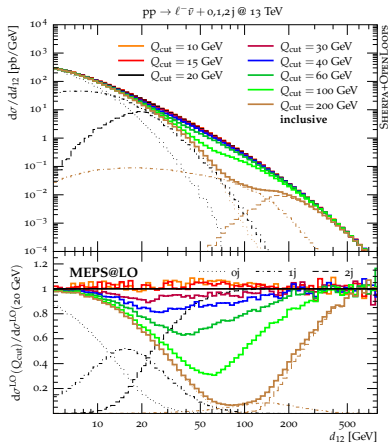
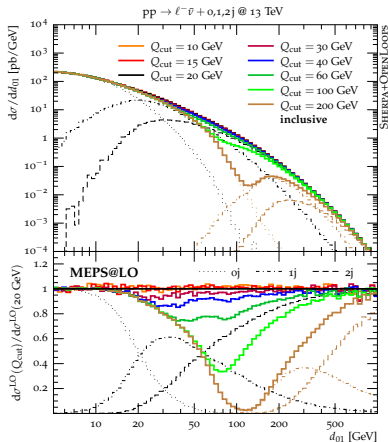


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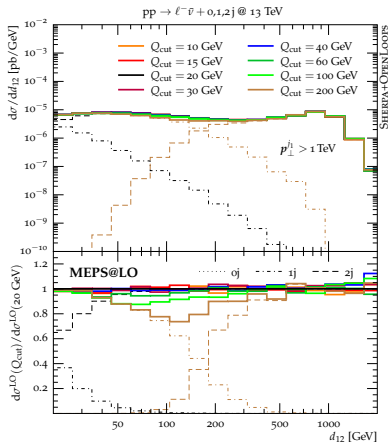
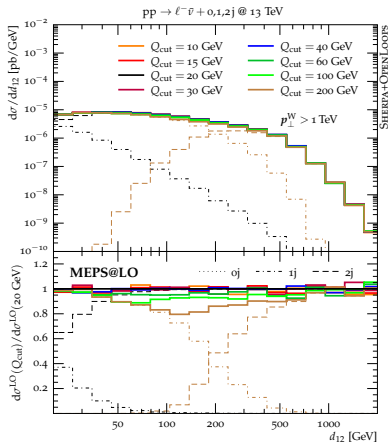


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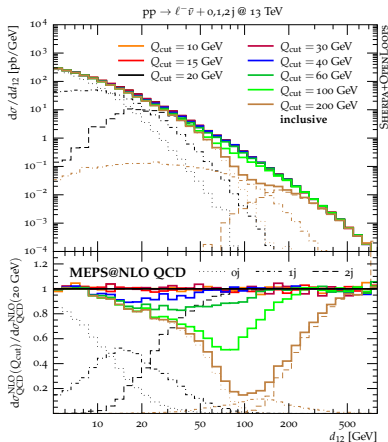
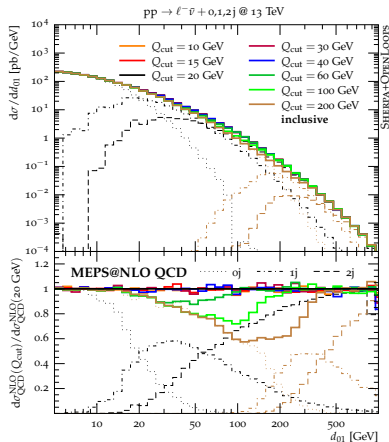


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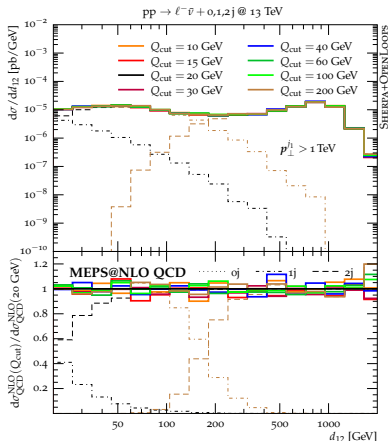
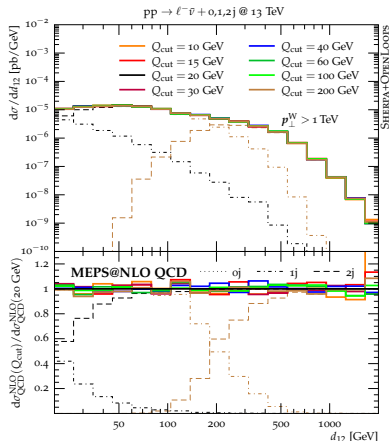


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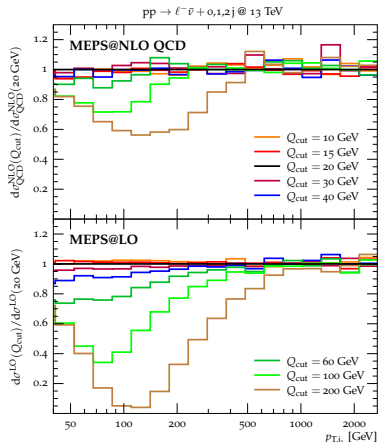
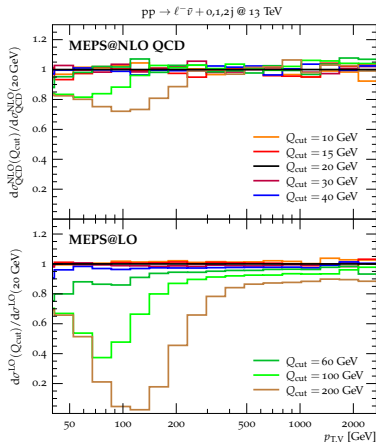
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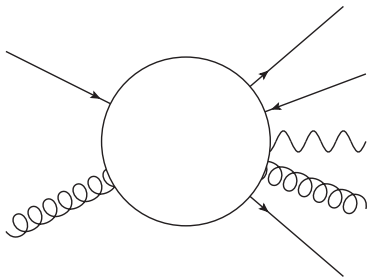
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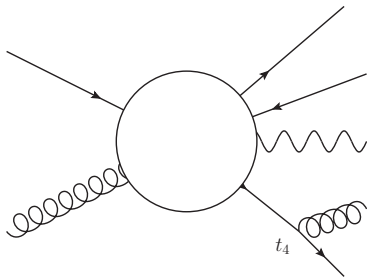


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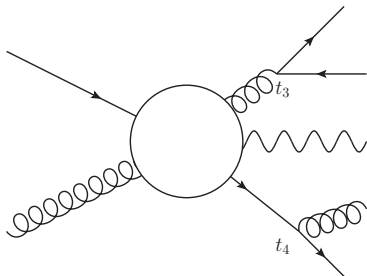


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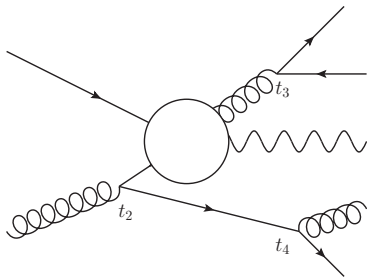


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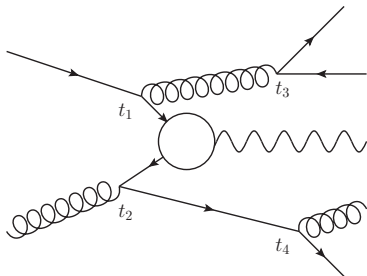


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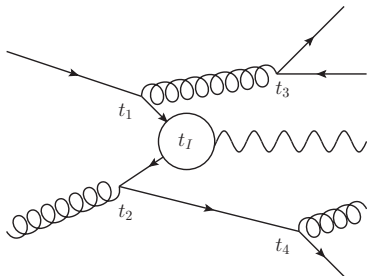


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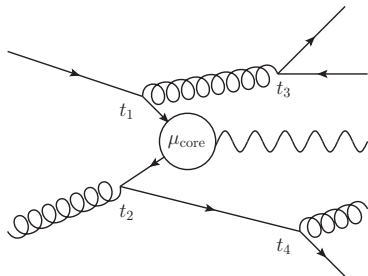


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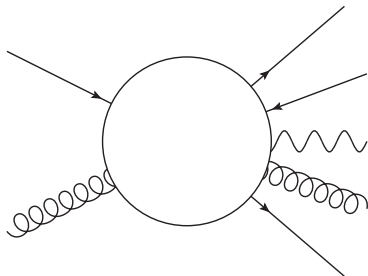
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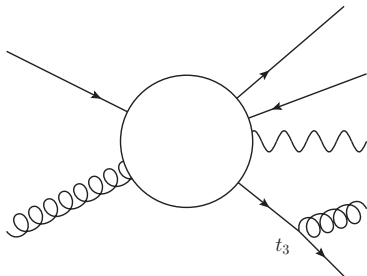


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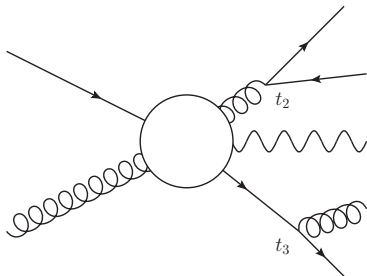


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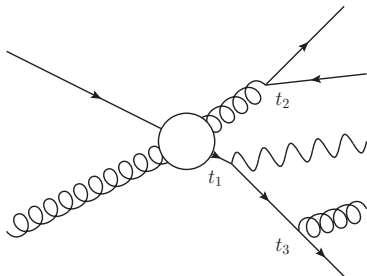


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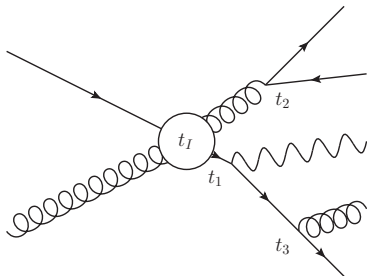


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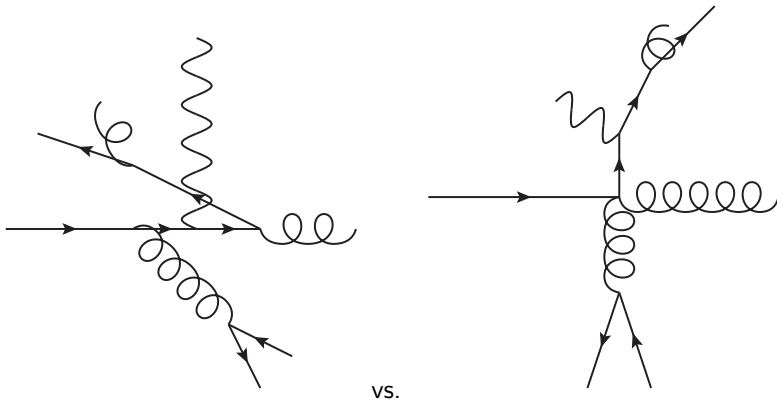
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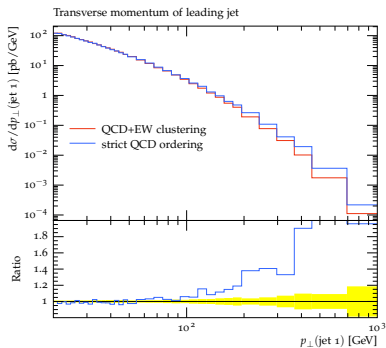
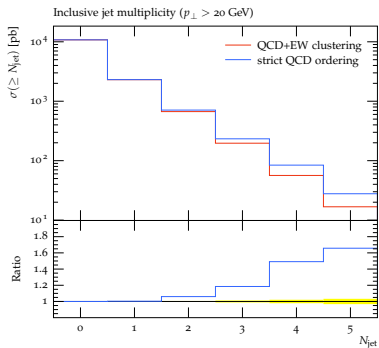


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