

# NLO EW corrections in the POWHEG-BOX

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# NLO & PS comparison

## NLO QCD

Normalization at order  $\alpha_s$   
Accurate shapes also of high  $p_\perp$   
Reduced dependence on  $\mu_{R/F}$

## NLO EW

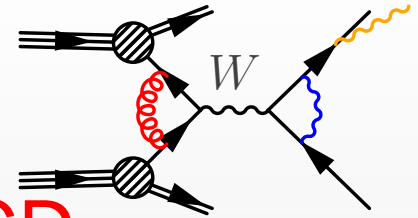
Normalization at order  $\alpha_{EW} \sim \alpha_s^2$   
 $M_W$  shift  $\sim 100$  MeV  
EW Sudakov logs

## PS QCD

Accurate shapes of low  $p_\perp$   
Realistic events

## PS QED

exp NLO  $\rightarrow M_W$  shift  $\sim 10$  MeV  
(LHC  $\Delta M_W \sim 15$  MeV)



We need a NLO EW+QCD Monte Carlo event generator with mixed QED & QCD parton shower:

- unified tool for pheno studies / data analysis
- $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_{EW}\alpha_{QCD})$  NLL estimate

# Exact NLO $\otimes$ shower corrections

- $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s) \otimes$  QCD shower
  - POWHEG-BOX  $\oplus$  SMC  
JHEP 0711 (2007) 070 / JHEP 1006 (2010) 043
  - MC@NLO  $\otimes$  HERWIG JHEP 0206 (2002) 029  
 $\otimes$  PYTHIA JHEP 04 (2010) 110
  - SHERPA  $\otimes$  POWHEG JHEP 04 (2011) 24
- $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_{EW}) \otimes$  QED shower
  - HORACE JHEP 0612 (2006) 016
  - WINHAC  $\otimes$  SANC Acta Phys.Polon B40 (2009)
- $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_{EW}) \otimes$  QED+QCD shower  $\rightarrow$  SANC  $\otimes$  HERWIG++/PYTHIA8  
arXiv:1011.5444
- $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s) \otimes$  QCD resummation  $\oplus$   $\gamma$ FSR  $\rightarrow$  RESBOSa PRL 93:042001(2004)
- QCD  $\otimes$  QED YFS resummation & IR-improved DGLAP  $\rightarrow$   
 $\rightarrow$  HERWIRI PRD 81 (2010) 076008
- Mixed EW & QCD (HORACE  $\otimes$  /  $\oplus$  MC@NLO) JHEP 1001 (2010) 013

Presently no QCD + EW with PS event generator

# QCD/EW NLO (subtraction procedure)

$$d\sigma_{LO} = B d\Phi_n$$

$$d\sigma_{NLO} = \left\{ \underbrace{B(\Phi_n) + \overbrace{V^b(\Phi_n)}^{-\infty} + \int^{\infty} C(\Phi_n, \Phi_{rad}) d\Phi_{rad}}_{<\infty} + \int^{\infty} \left[ \overbrace{R(\Phi_n, \Phi_{rad})}^{\infty} - \overbrace{C(\Phi_n, \Phi_{rad})}^{\infty} \right]_{<\infty} d\Phi_{rad} \right\} d\Phi_n$$

$$V^b = V_{EW}^b + V_{QCD}^b$$

$$R = R_{EW} + R_{QCD} \quad C = C_{QED} + C_{QCD}$$

$$d\sigma_{NLO} \equiv \tilde{B} d\Phi_n$$

# Virtual part (process dependent)

$$V^b = V_{QCD}^b + V_{EW}^b$$

✓  $V_{QCD}^b$  already implemented in POWHEG-BOX

•  $V_{EW}^b$  calculated and checked from different groups.

○ We chose to use **Dittmaier & Krämer - 2002**

• finite part of dimensional regularization of IR

divergent scalar functions Denner, Dittmaier NPB 844:199242, 2011  
Dittmaier NPB 565:69122, 2000

$$(m_q^{in} = m_\gamma = 0, m_\ell \neq 0)$$

• factorizing out  $\mathcal{N} = \frac{(4\pi)^\epsilon}{\Gamma(1-\epsilon)} \left(\frac{\mu_R^2}{Q^2}\right)^\epsilon$

⇒ direct extension of subtraction procedure

# Virtual part - details

$$W \text{ (with } \gamma \text{ loop)} \propto \log(\hat{s} - M_W^2) \xrightarrow{\hat{s} \rightarrow M_W^2} \infty$$

- Dyson resummation  $\Rightarrow M_W^2 \rightarrow M_W^2 - i\Gamma_W M_W$

- substitute  $M_W$  only in  $\log(\hat{s} - M_W^2)$

- complex mass scheme Denner, Dittmaier, Roth & Wieders  
NPB 724:247294, 2005

$$W \text{ (with } m_q, m_{q'} \text{ loop)} \propto f(m_q, m_{q'}) \rightarrow M_W, M_Z, G_\mu \text{ as input}$$

$(m_{q^{(\prime)}} \neq 0 \text{ in loops})$   
 $(\text{correct } \Delta\alpha_{had})$

## Subtraction part (process independent)

$$\begin{aligned} C(\Phi_n, \Phi_{rad}) &\rightarrow R \quad \text{if } R \rightarrow \infty \\ \int C(\Phi_n, \Phi_{rad}) d\Phi_{rad} &\rightarrow -V^b \quad \text{if } V^b \rightarrow -\infty \end{aligned}$$

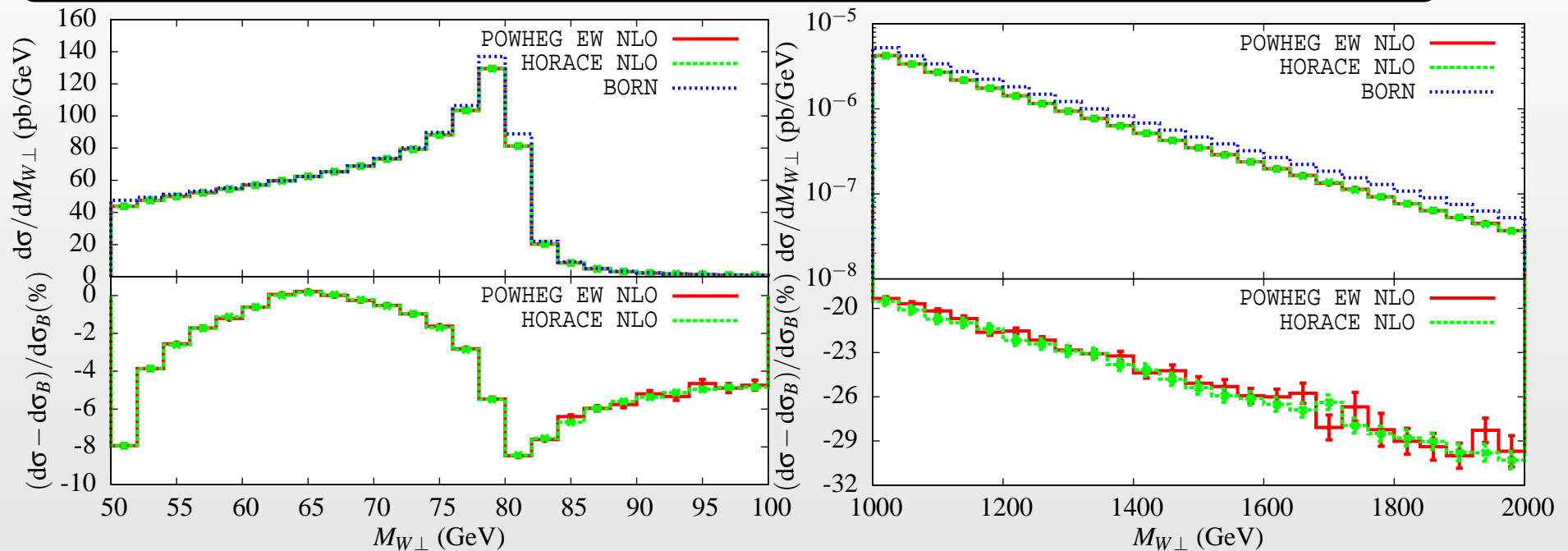
$$C = C_{QCD} + C_{QED}$$

- ✓  $C_{QCD}$ ,  $\int C_{QCD}$  implemented in POWHEG-BOX for every process by means of FKS algorithm
- $C_{QED}$ ,  $\int C_{QED} \sim$  subsets of  $C_{QCD}$  ( $q \rightarrow qg \sim f \rightarrow f\gamma$ ) (collinear remnants included in  $C$ )

generalizing POWHEG-BOX FKS subtraction for QED  
(in principle) for every EW process  
(in dimensional regularization)

# NLO EW results (bonus $\rightarrow$ NLO EW(+QCD) Monte Carlo)

## New FSR mapping to describe collinear photons



- ✓ NLO calculation;
- ✓ subtraction procedure.

$$pp \rightarrow W^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu_\mu$$

$$p_\perp^\mu, \cancel{E}_\perp \geq 25, |\eta_\mu| \leq 2.5$$

$$\text{CTEQ6L} / \text{LHC @ 7 TeV}$$

HORACE  $\rightarrow$  mass regularization of IR divergencies,  $\neq V^b$ ,  $\neq C \dots$



# QCD/EW NLO + PS

$$\Delta_{\max(k_{\perp}, p_{\perp})}^{\text{POWHEG}} \equiv \Delta_{p_{\perp}}^{\text{QCD}} \Delta_{k_{\perp}}^{\text{EW}}$$

2 different  $p_{\perp}$  scales:  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} m_{\ell} \quad \text{for leptons} \\ \Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \quad \text{for quarks} \end{array} \right.$

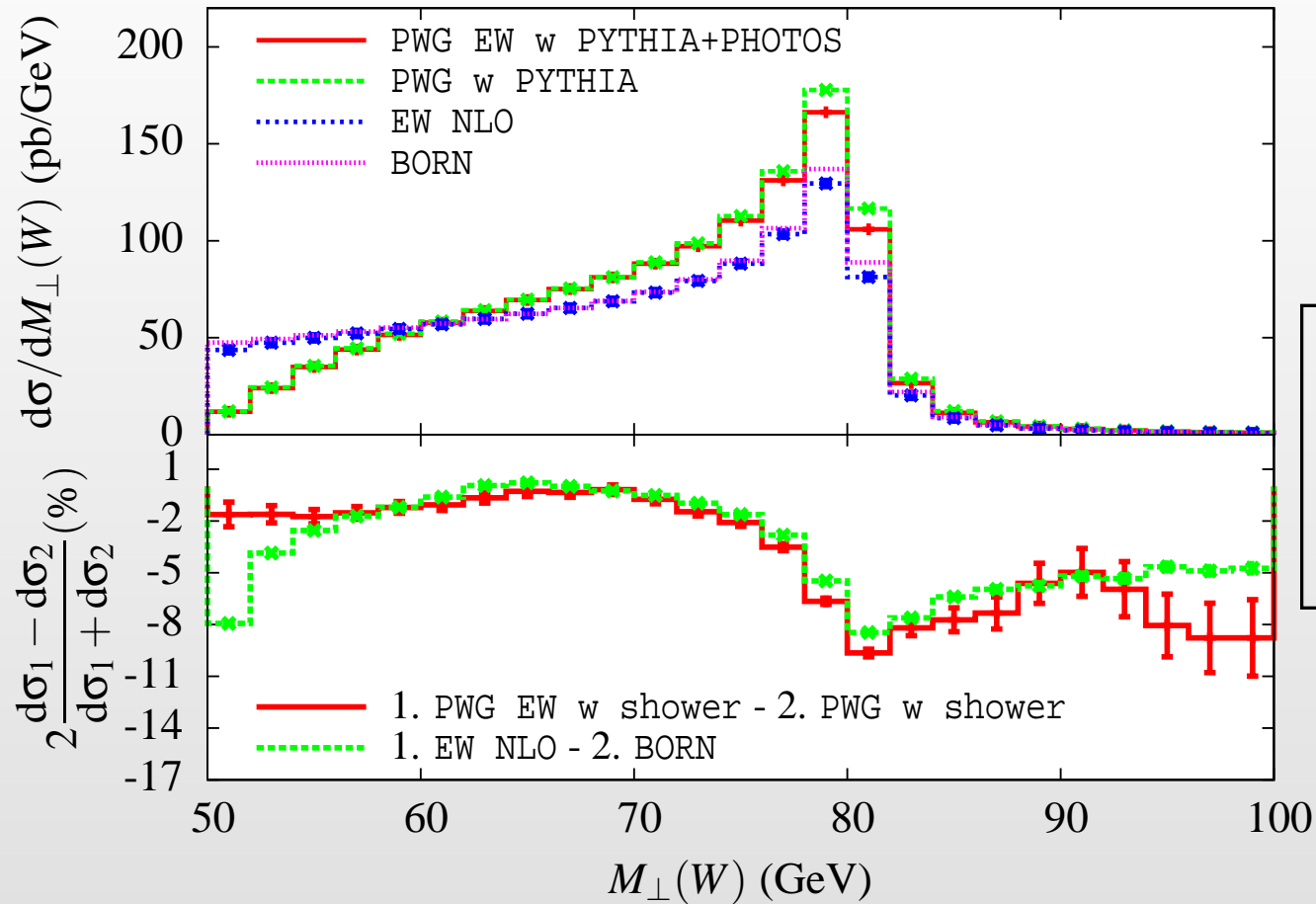
$$\Delta_{p_{\perp}}^{\text{QCD}} = \exp \left\{ - \int \frac{R_{\text{QCD}}}{B} \vartheta(p'_{\perp} - p_{\perp}) d\Phi'_{\text{rad}} \right\}$$

$$\Delta_{k_{\perp}}^{\text{EW}} = \exp \left\{ - \int \frac{R_{\text{EW}}}{B} \vartheta(k'_{\perp} - k_{\perp}) d\Phi''_{\text{rad}} \right\}$$

if  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{emitted } \gamma/g/q \ (p_{\perp} \gtrsim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}) \Rightarrow \text{veto } \gamma/g/q \text{ with } p'_{\perp} > p_{\perp} \\ \text{emitted } \gamma \quad (p_{\perp} \lesssim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}) \Rightarrow \text{veto } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} g/q \\ \gamma \text{ with } p'_{\perp} > p_{\perp} \end{array} \right.$

Interfaced to PYTHIA / (HERWIG)  $\oplus$  PHOTOS

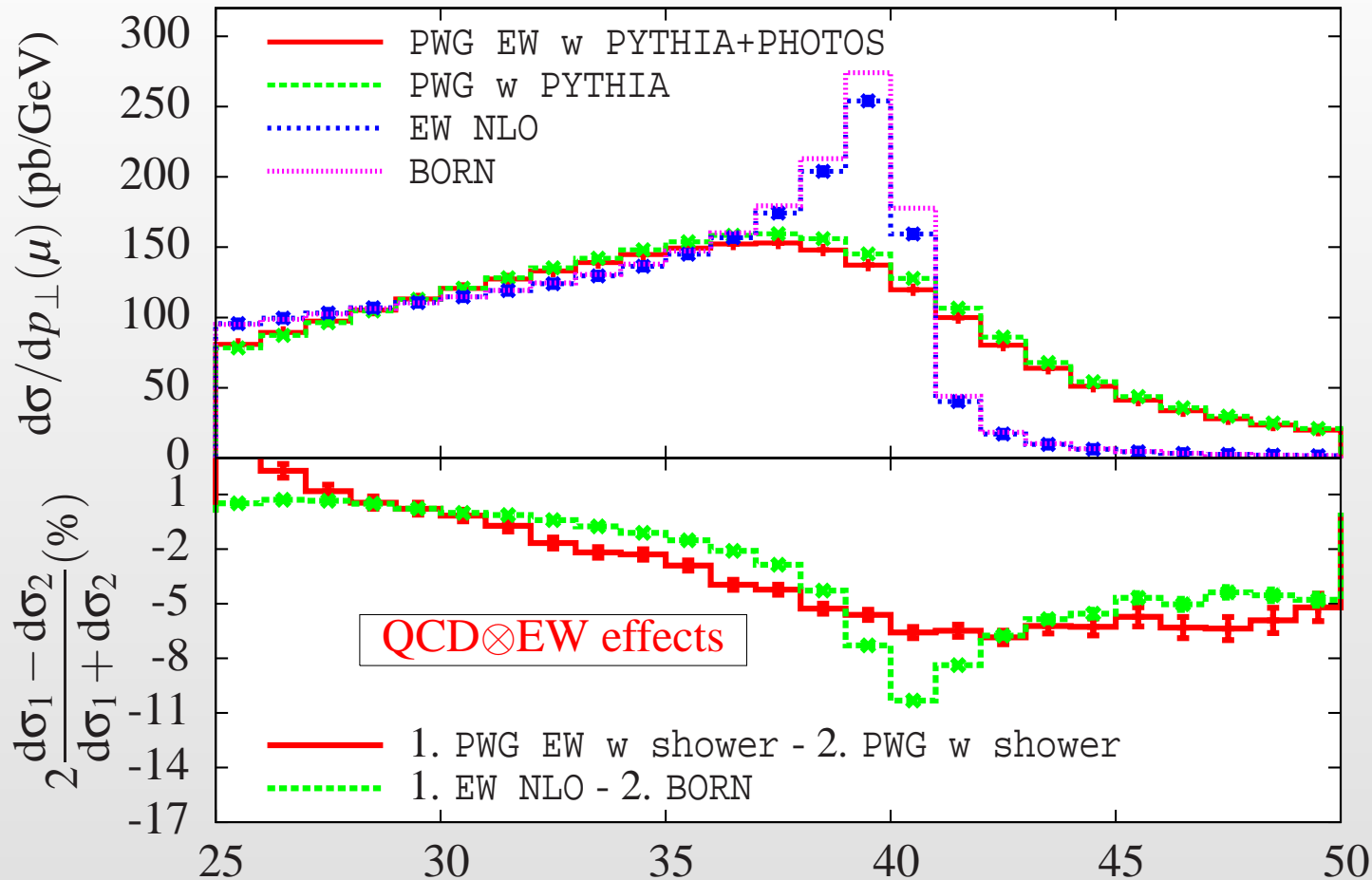
# $W^+$ transverse mass



$pp \rightarrow W^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu_\mu$   
 $p_\perp^\mu, \cancel{E}_\perp \geq 25, |\eta_\mu| \leq 2.5$   
 CTEQ6L(M) / LHC @ 7 TeV  
 $\mu_R = \mu_F = M_W$

- $M_\perp$  is invariant under a longitudinal boost  
 $\Rightarrow$  QCD doesn't modify shape in first approximation

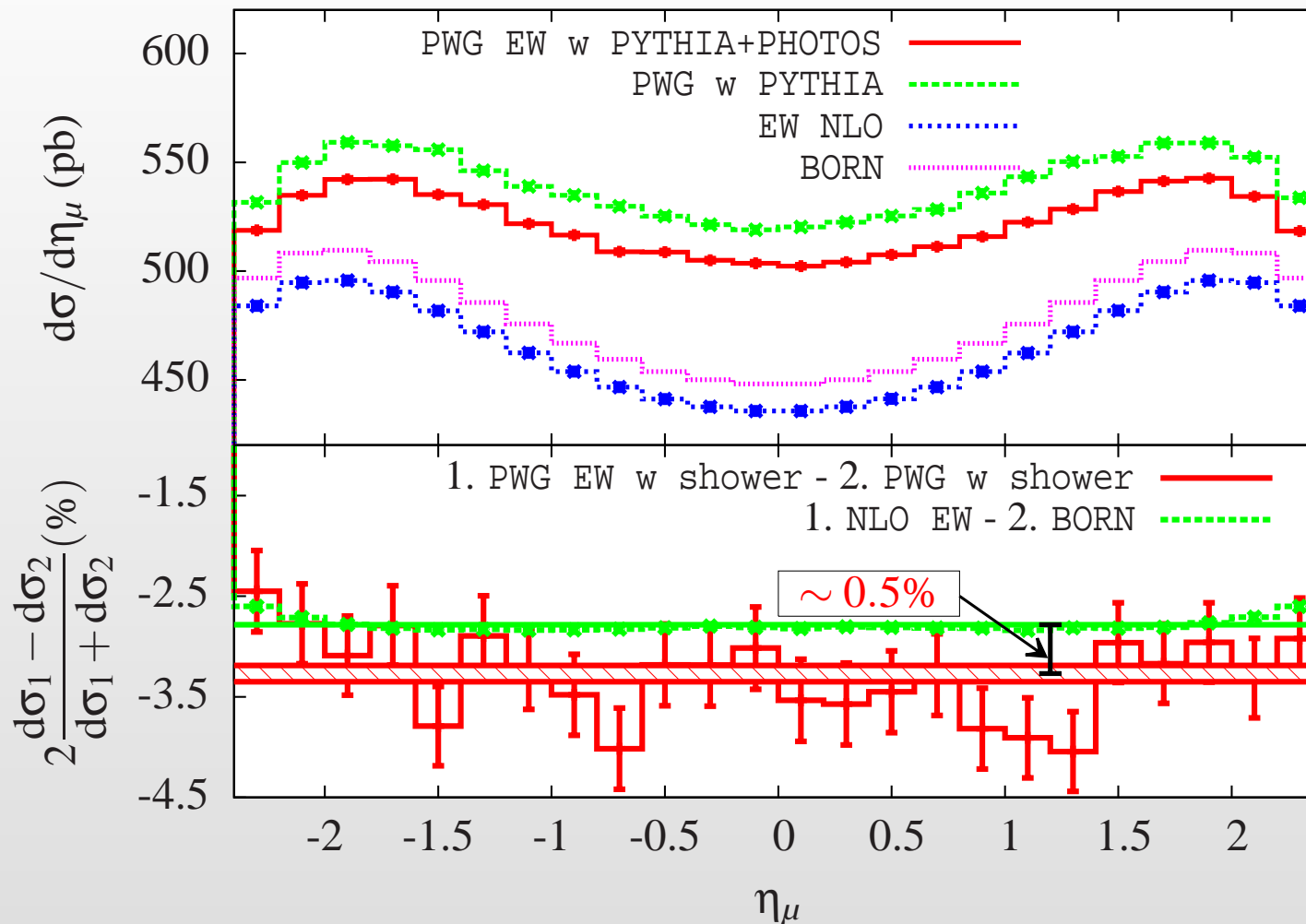
# $\mu^+$ transverse momentum



$$\sigma \propto \exp \left\{ - \int (R_{EW} + R_{QCD}) / B \right\}$$

$$\propto \left( 1 + \sum_n \mathcal{O}^n(\alpha_{EW}) + \sum_n \mathcal{O}^n(\alpha_{QCD}) + \sum_n \mathcal{O}^n(\alpha_{QCD}\alpha_{EW}) + \dots \right)$$

# $\mu^+$ pseudorapidity



$\mathcal{O}(\alpha_{EW}\alpha_{QCD}) \sim 0.5\%$   
 Balossini & al. - JHEP 1001 (2010) 013

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**THANK YOU!!**

**BACKUP  
SLIDES**

# Positive Weight Hardest Event Generator

Method to interface NLO with PS (**Nason** - 2004):

- generate with NLO accuracy the hardest emission;
- events have positive weights;
- shower Monte Carlo interfaced (PYTHIA, HERWIG, ...).

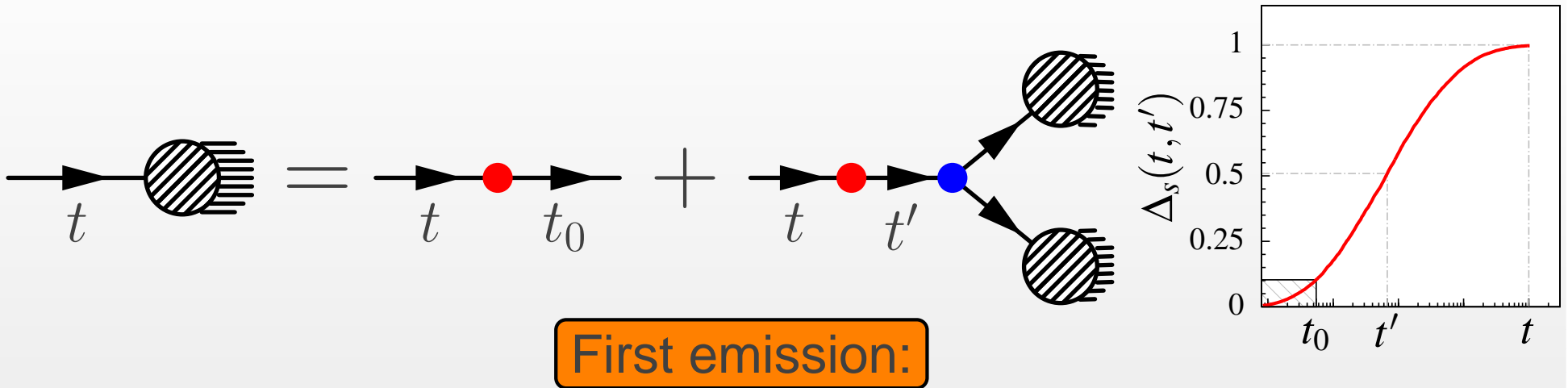
POWHEG-BOX (**Alioli, Nason, Oleari, Re** - 2009) program:

- identifies all the singular regions;
- projects real contributions over the singular regions;
- general FKS subtraction;
- ISR and FSR phase space;
- calculates upper bounds for the generation of radiation;
- generates radiation.

~ process independent  $\rightarrow$  Needs only  $B_{(jk)}$ ,  $R$ ,  $d\Phi_n$  and  $V^b$



# Parton Shower



$$\Delta_t^{SMC} = \exp \left\{ - \int \frac{\alpha_s(t')}{2\pi} \frac{1}{t'} \mathcal{P}(z') \vartheta(t' - t) d\Phi'_{rad} \right\}$$

$$d\sigma_{SMC} = \overbrace{B d\Phi_n}^{d\sigma_{LO}} \left[ \Delta_{t_0}^{SMC} + \Delta_t^{SMC} \frac{\alpha_s(t)}{2\pi} \frac{1}{t} \mathcal{P}(z) d\Phi_{rad} \right]$$

**Subsequent emissions  $t \geq t'' \geq t''' \dots$**

# NLO + PS with POWHEG

In POWHEG  $p_{\perp}$  of hardest radiation generated according to:

$$\Delta_{p_{\perp}} = \exp \left\{ - \int \frac{R}{B} \vartheta(p'_{\perp} - p_{\perp}) d\Phi'_{rad} \right\}$$

$p_{\perp}$  veto of subsequent emissions  $\Rightarrow$  **no double-counting**

$$d\sigma = \overbrace{\tilde{B} d\Phi_n}^{d\sigma_{NLO}} \left[ \Delta_{p_{\perp}} + \Delta_{p_{\perp}} \frac{R}{B} d\Phi_{rad} \right]$$

$$\text{Small } p_{\perp} \rightarrow \tilde{B} \simeq B(1 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha)), \quad \frac{R}{B} \rightarrow \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \frac{1}{t} \mathcal{P}$$

$$\text{Large } p_{\perp} \rightarrow d\sigma \simeq \tilde{B} \frac{R}{B} \simeq R(1 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha))$$

**NLO accuracy**