

New results for Higgs+jet at NNLO

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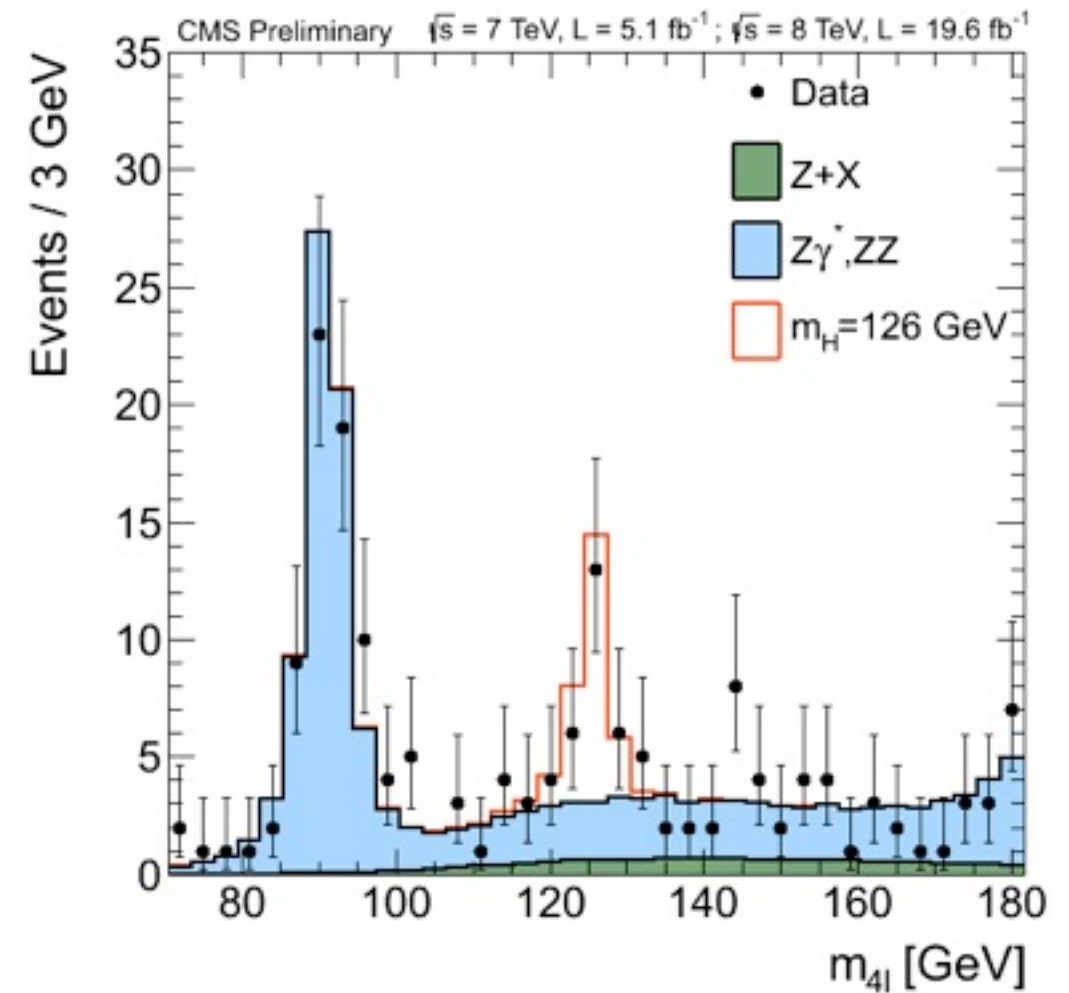
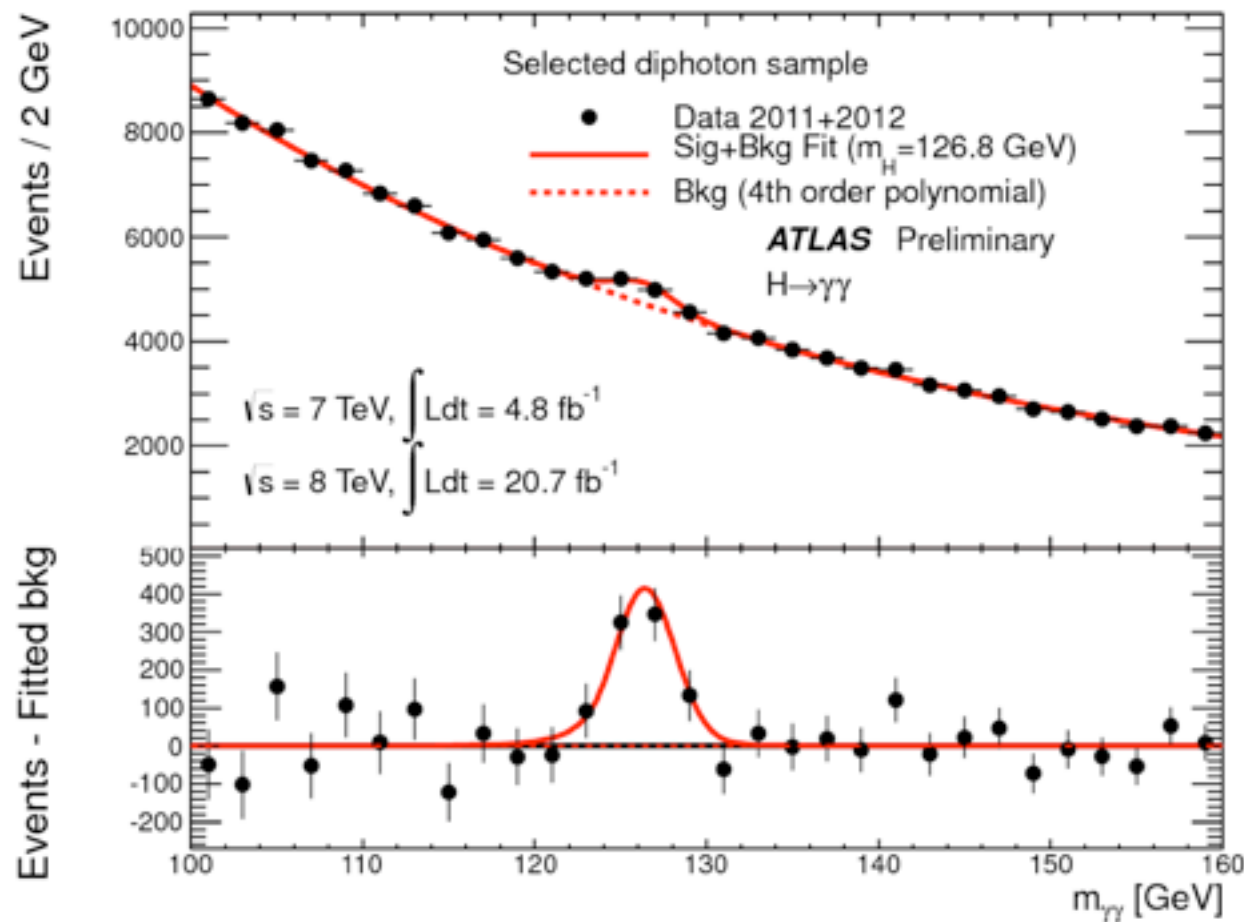


Outline

- Brief overview of Higgs measurements at the LHC
- A description of sector-improved subtraction
- The calculation of $H+j$ at NNLO
- Numerical results for the gluon-initiated contributions

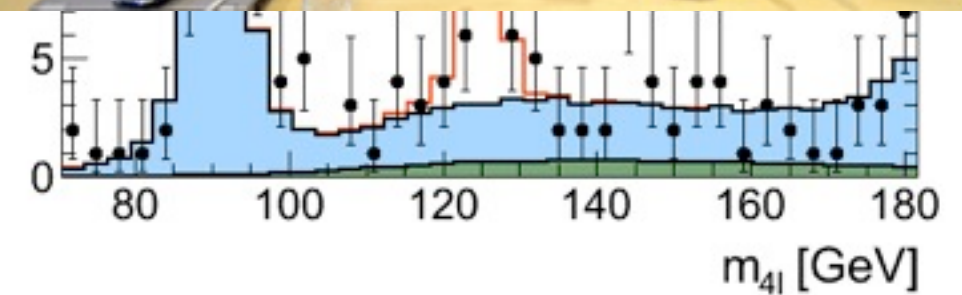
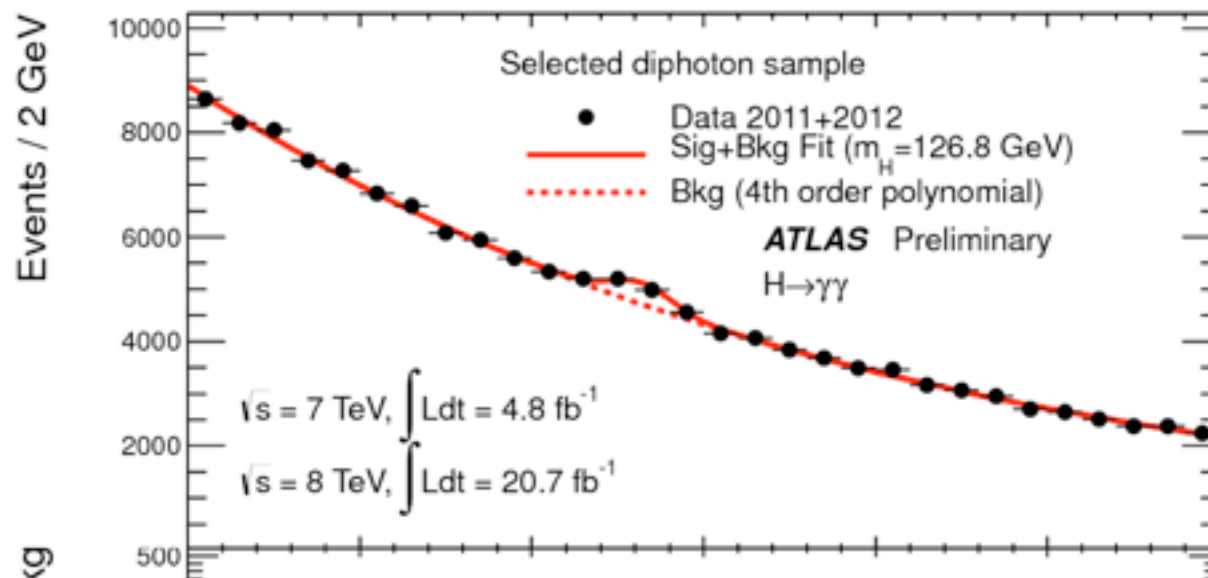
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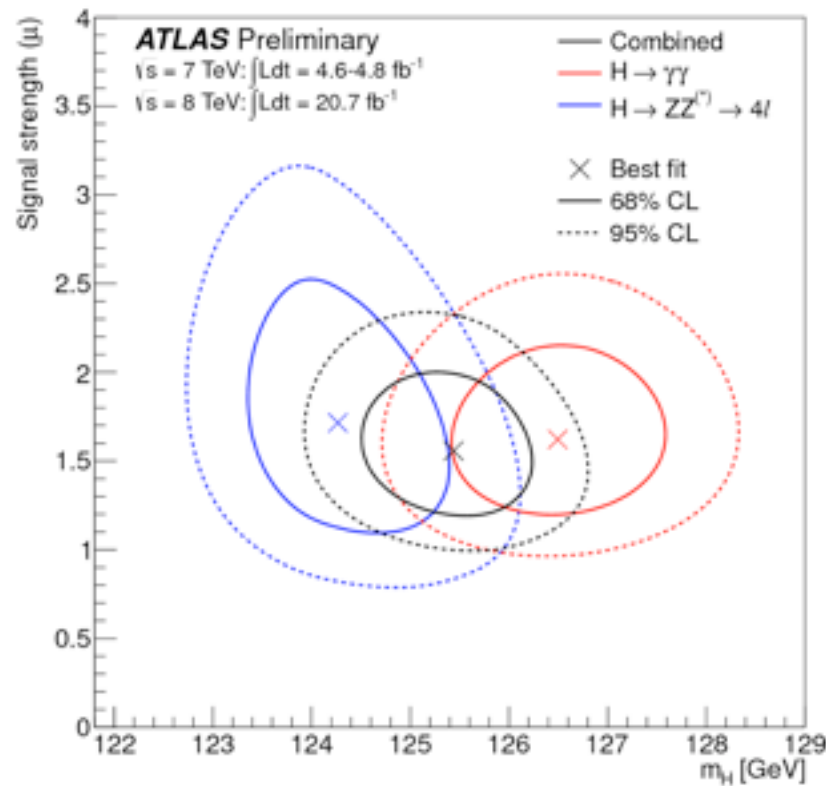


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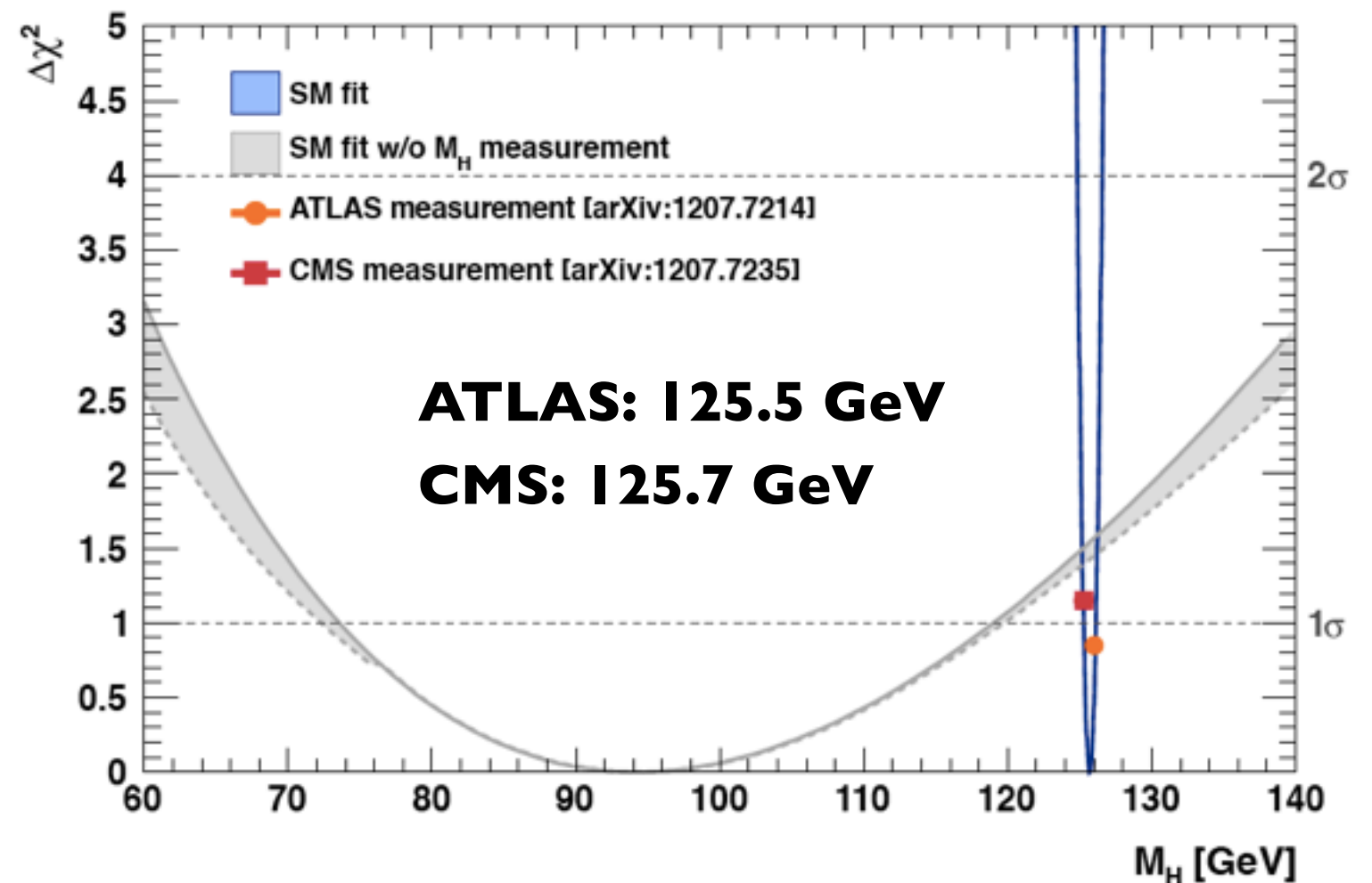
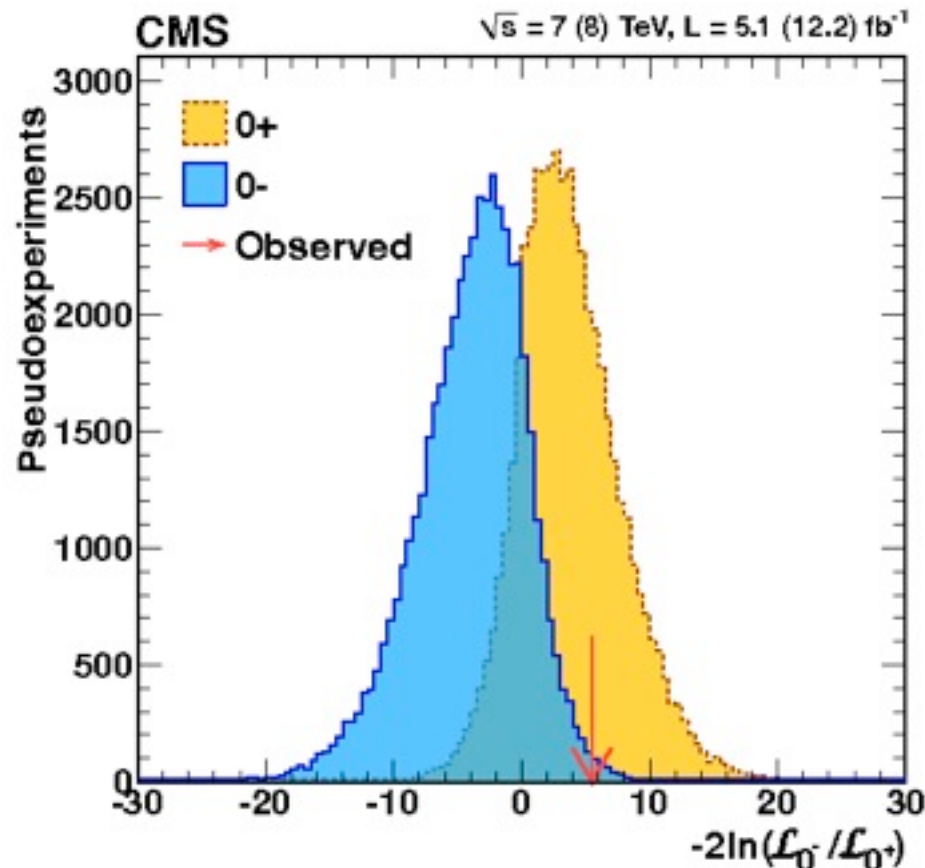
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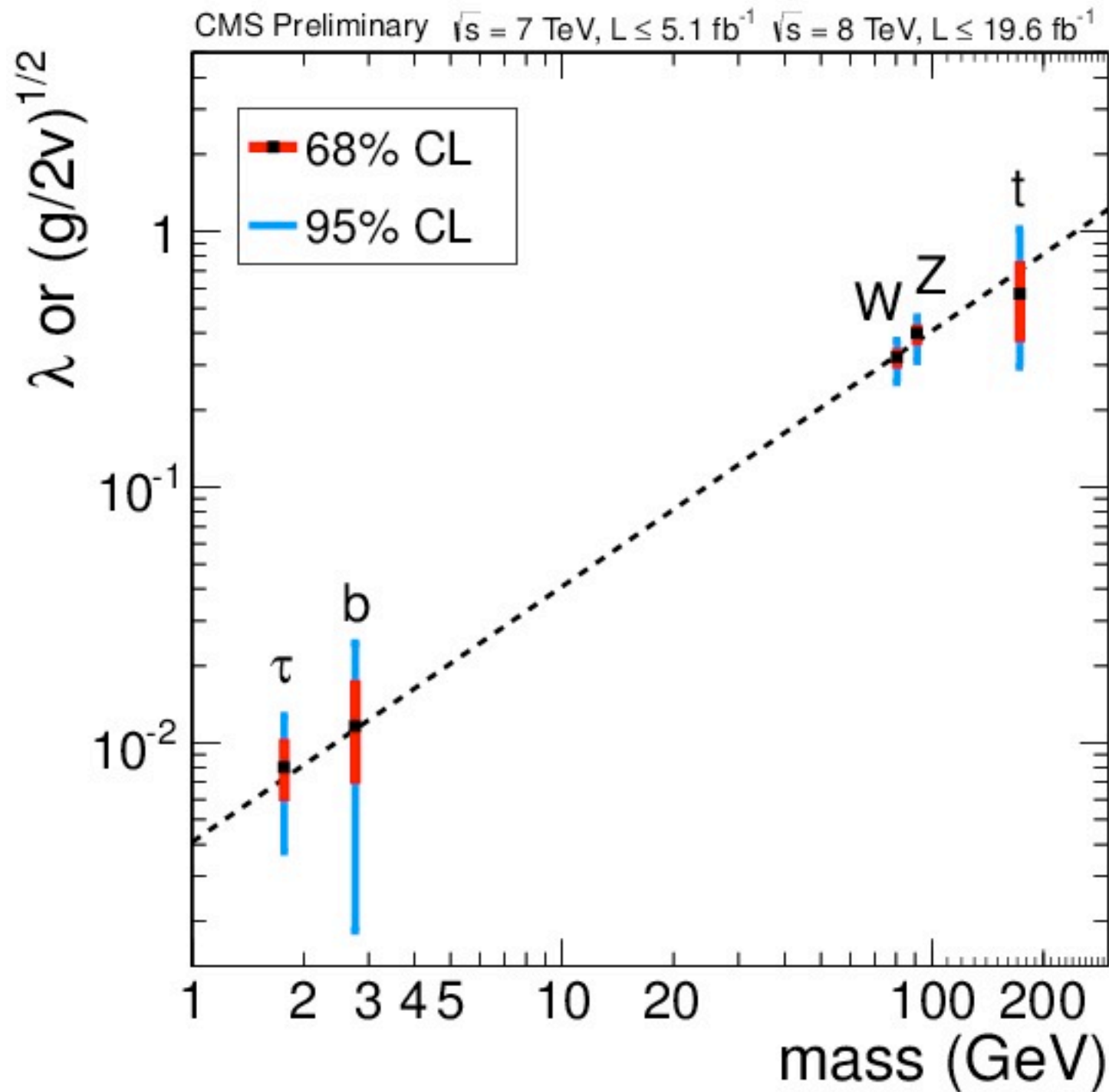
Mass and spin-parity measurement



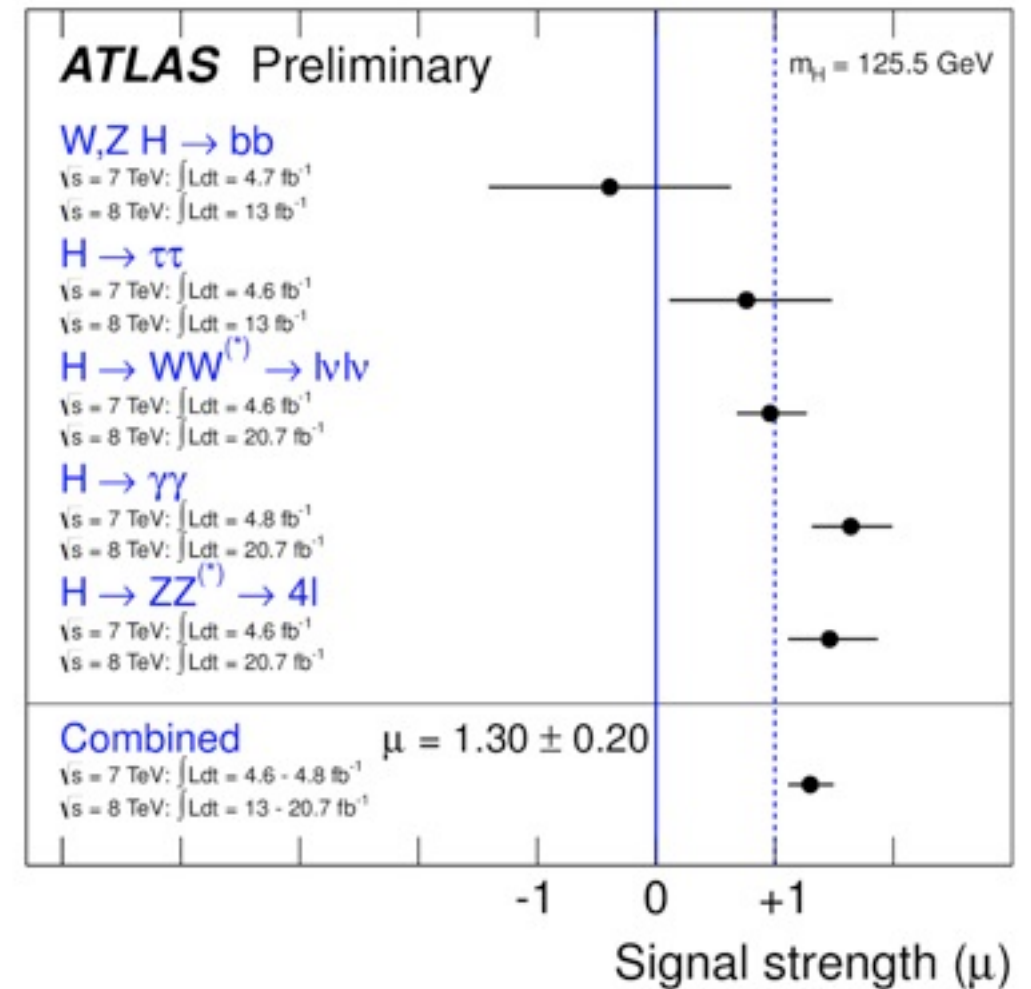
- Mass consistent with the global EW fit without the LHC measurement to better than 2σ
- Kinematic distributions in $\gamma\gamma$, ZZ , and WW final states prefer a 0^+ state
- ATLAS example: 0^- , 1^+ , 1^- , and 2^+ excluded at or above 97.8% C.L.



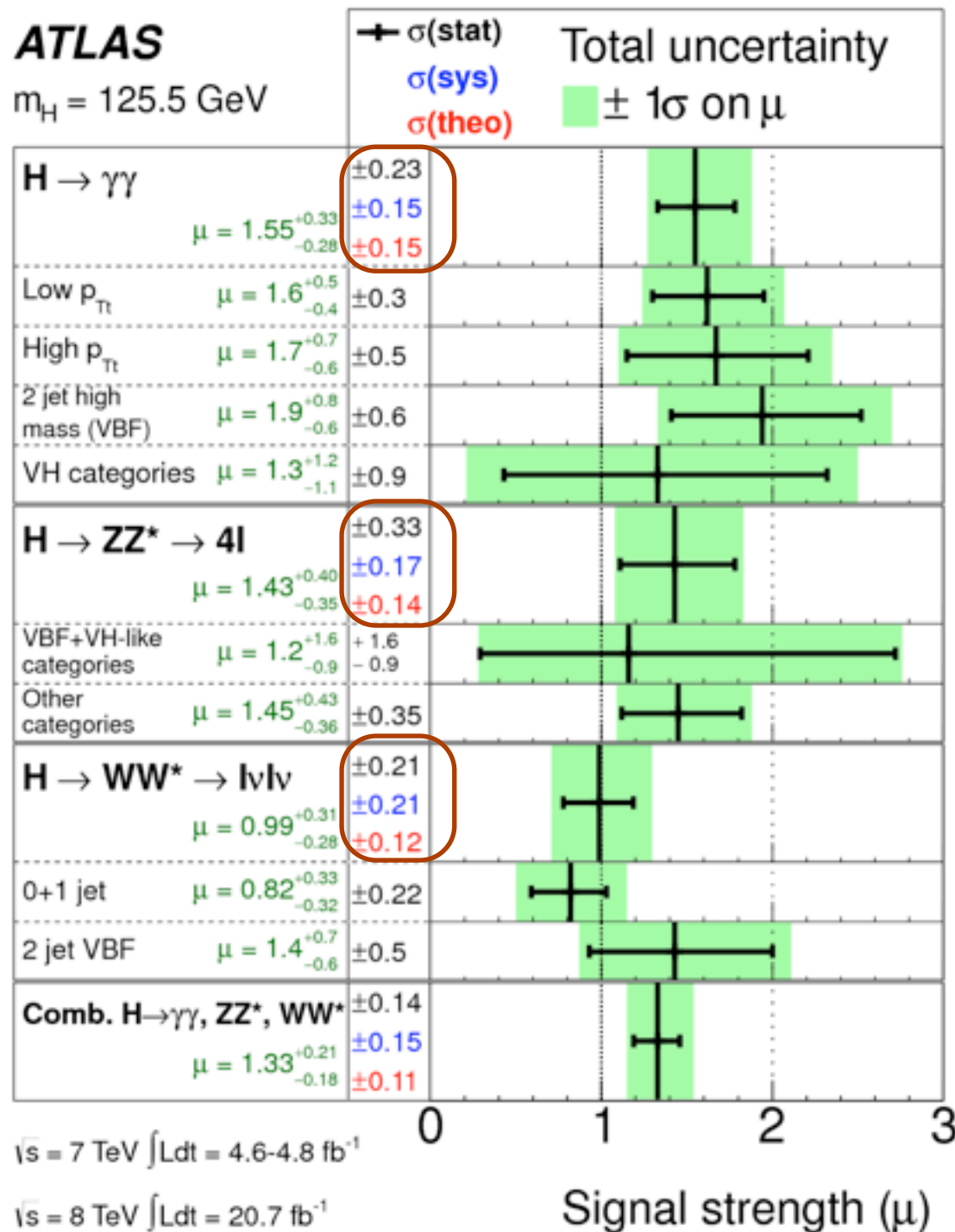
Coupling measurement



- Couplings proportional to mass, as predicted in the SM



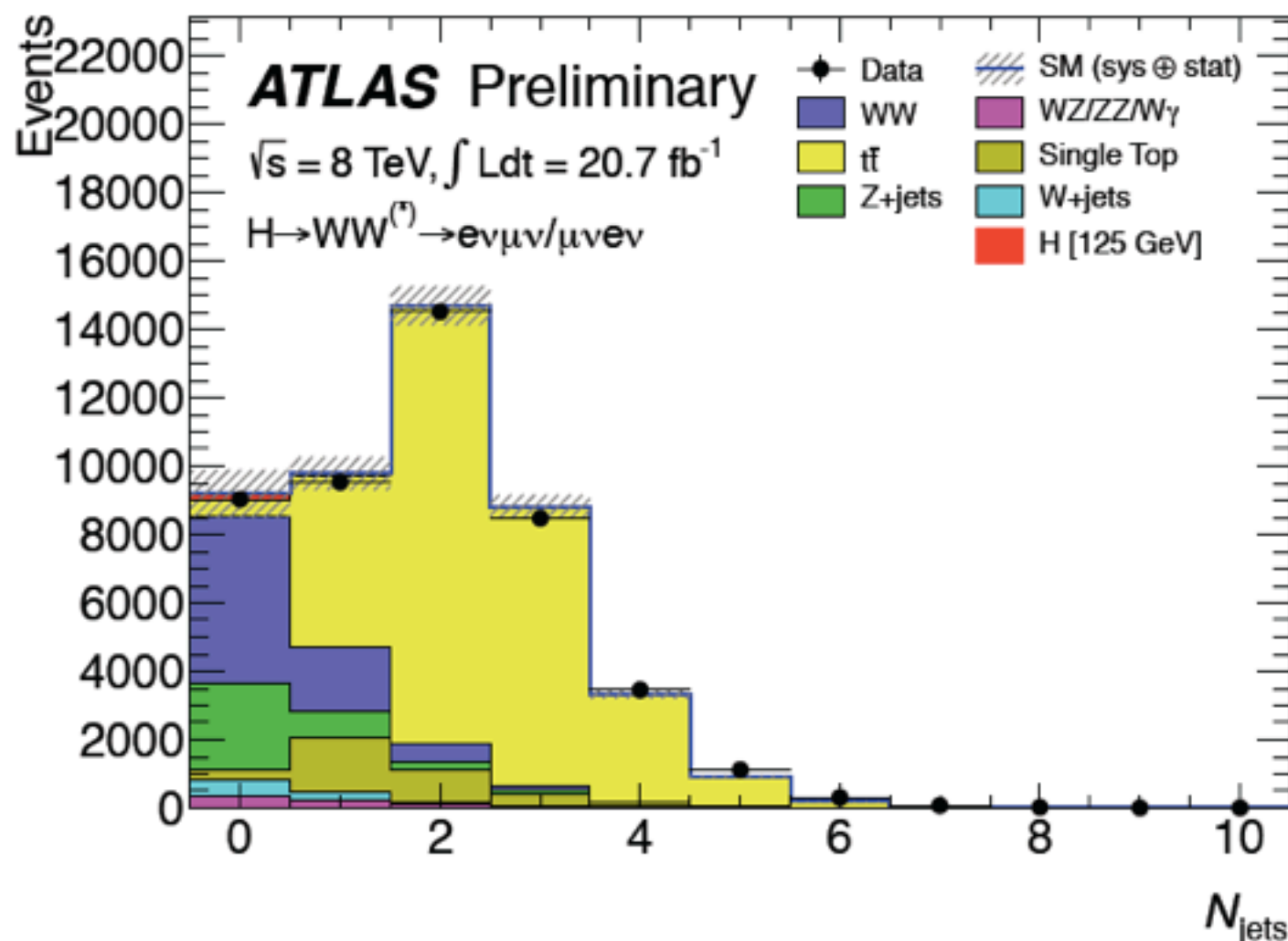
Sharpening our image



- Systematic errors already approaching statistical; will overtake with 14 TeV data
- Systematic error shown is the combination of experimental and theoretical systematics; theory already dominates this
- A particular issue, especially in the WW channel, is the division into bins of exclusive jet multiplicity

Source	$N_{\text{jet}} = 0$	$N_{\text{jet}} = 1$	$N_{\text{jet}} \geq 2$
Theoretical uncertainties on total signal yield (%)			
QCD scale for ggF, $N_{\text{jet}} \geq 0$	+13	-	-
QCD scale for ggF, $N_{\text{jet}} \geq 1$	+10	-27	-
QCD scale for ggF, $N_{\text{jet}} \geq 2$	-	-15	+4
QCD scale for ggF, $N_{\text{jet}} \geq 3$	-	-	+4
Parton shower and underlying event	+3	-10	± 5
QCD scale (acceptance)	+4	+4	± 3
Experimental uncertainties on total signal yield (%)			
Jet energy scale and resolution	5	2	6
Uncertainties on total background yield (%)			
WW transfer factors (theory)	± 1	± 2	± 4
Jet energy scale and resolution	2	3	7
b-tagging efficiency	-	+7	+2
f_{recoil} efficiency	± 4	± 2	-

Exclusive jet bins

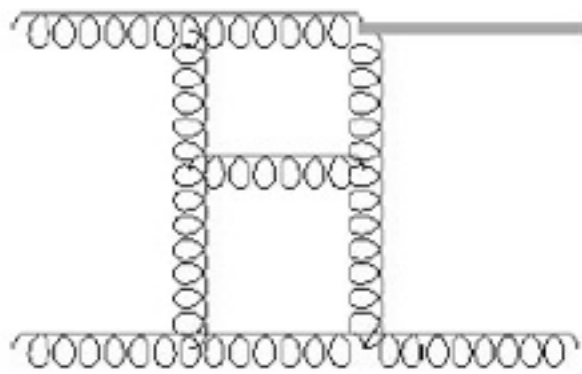


Category	$N_{\text{jet}} = 0$	$N_{\text{jet}} = 1$	$N_{\text{jet}} \geq 2$
Pre-selection	Two isolated leptons ($\ell = e, \mu$) with opposite charge Leptons with $p_{\text{T}}^{\text{lead}} > 25$ and $p_{\text{T}}^{\text{sublead}} > 15$ $e\mu + \mu e: m_{\ell\ell} > 10$ $ee + \mu\mu: m_{\ell\ell} > 12, m_{\ell\ell} - m_Z > 15$		
Missing transverse momentum and hadronic recoil	$e\mu + \mu e: E_{\text{T,rel}}^{\text{miss}} > 25$ $ee + \mu\mu: E_{\text{T,rel}}^{\text{miss}} > 45$ $ee + \mu\mu: p_{\text{T,rel}}^{\text{miss}} > 45$ $ee + \mu\mu: f_{\text{recoil}} < 0.05$	$e\mu + \mu e: E_{\text{T,rel}}^{\text{miss}} > 25$ $ee + \mu\mu: E_{\text{T,rel}}^{\text{miss}} > 45$ $ee + \mu\mu: p_{\text{T,rel}}^{\text{miss}} > 45$ $ee + \mu\mu: f_{\text{recoil}} < 0.2$	$e\mu + \mu e: E_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}} > 20$ $ee + \mu\mu: E_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}} > 45$ $ee + \mu\mu: E_{\text{T,STVF}}^{\text{miss}} > 35$ -
General selection	- $ \Delta\phi_{\ell\ell, \text{MET}} > \pi/2$ $p_{\text{T}}^{\ell\ell} > 30$	$N_{b\text{-jet}} = 0$ - $e\mu + \mu e: Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow \tau\tau$ veto	$N_{b\text{-jet}} = 0$ $p_{\text{T}}^{\text{tot}} < 45$ $e\mu + \mu e: Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow \tau\tau$ veto

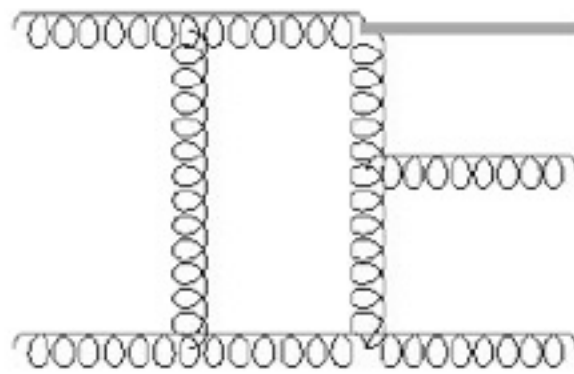
- Required experimentally in the WW channel due to the background composition
- Continuum WW production in the 0-jet bins; both WW and ttbar in the 1-jet bin; ttbar in the 2-jet bin
- Need different cuts as a function of jet multiplicity
- Typical jet- p_{T} choices: 25-30 GeV
- Similar divisions used in some $\tau\tau$ analyses

Higgs plus one-jet @NNLO

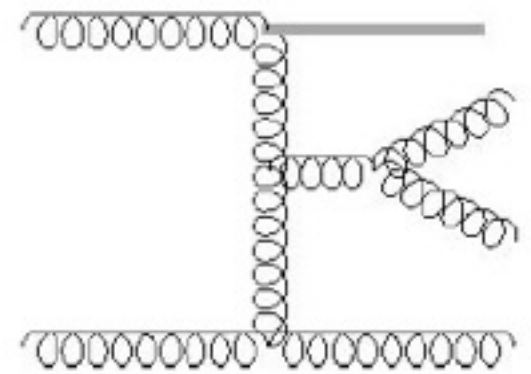
- Higgs plus zero-jets known in fixed-order through NNLO
- Until recently, Higgs plus one-jet known only through NLO
- The following ingredients are needed for H+1-jet @NNLO:



Gehrmann, Jaquier, Glover, Koukoutsakis (2011)



Badger, Glover, Mastrolia, Williams (2009)



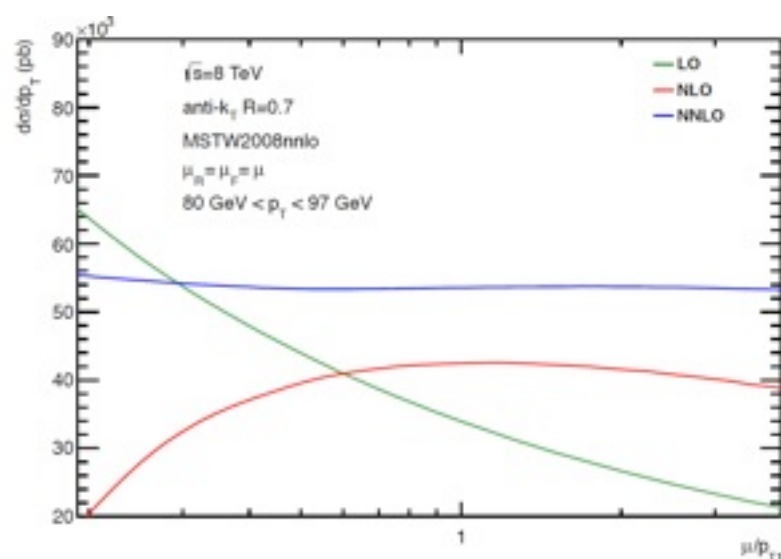
Del Duca, Frizzo, Maltoni;
Dixon, Glover, Khoze (2004)

- What prevented us from performing this calculation before now?
- IR singularities cancel only after phase space integration for real radiation

Sufficiently powerful subtraction schemes for extracting IR singularities from RR and RV before phase-space integration were unknown until very recently

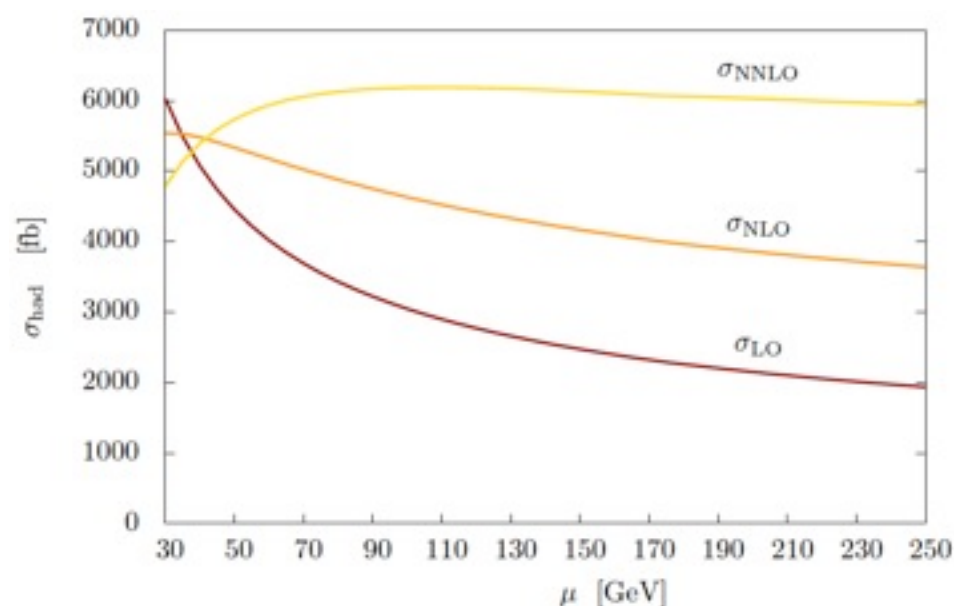
NNLO QCD at the LHC

- After more than a decade of research we finally know how to generically handle NNLO QCD corrections to processes with **both colored initial and final states**



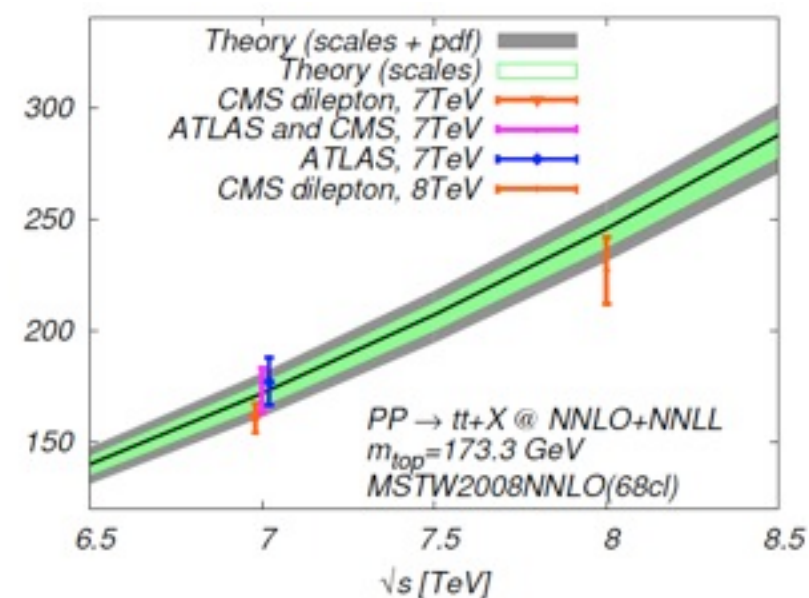
Gehrmann-de Ridder, Gehrmann, Glover, Pires (2013)

dijet: gg-channel



Boughezal, Caola, Melnikov, FP, Schulze (2013)

H+lj:gg-channel



Czakon, Fiedler, Mitov (2013)

ttbar: all-channels

Based on Antenna subtraction scheme

Based on sector-improved subtraction scheme

Subtraction at NNLO

- The generic form of an NNLO subtraction scheme is the following:

$$\begin{aligned}
 d\sigma_{NNLO} = & \int_{d\Phi_{m+2}} (d\sigma_{NNLO}^R - d\sigma_{NNLO}^S) \\
 & + \int_{d\Phi_{m+1}} (d\sigma_{NNLO}^{V,1} - d\sigma_{NNLO}^{VS,1}) \\
 & + \int_{d\Phi_{m+2}} d\sigma_{NNLO}^S + \int_{d\Phi_{m+1}} d\sigma_{NNLO}^{VS,1} \\
 & + \int_{d\Phi_m} d\sigma_{NNLO}^{V,2} ,
 \end{aligned}$$

- Maximally singular configurations at NNLO can have two collinear, two soft singularities
- Subtraction terms must account for all of the many possible singular configurations: triple-collinear ($p_1 || p_2 || p_3$), double-collinear ($p_1 || p_2, p_3 || p_4$), double-soft, single-soft, soft + collinear, etc.
- The factorization of the matrix elements in all singular configurations is known in the literature

The triple-collinear example

- To illustrate the problems that occur when trying to use these formulae, consider the triple-gluon collinear limit. The factorization of the matrix element squared in this limit is the following.

$$|\mathcal{M}(\dots, p_1, p_1, p_3)|^2 \approx \frac{4g_s^4}{s_{123}^2} \mathcal{M}^\mu(\dots, p_1 + p_2 + p_3) \mathcal{M}^{\nu*}(\dots, p_1 + p_2 + p_3) P_{g_1 g_2 g_3}^{\mu\nu}$$

$z_i = E_i / (\sum E_j)$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{P}_{g_1 g_2 g_3}^{\mu\nu} = & C_A^2 \left\{ \frac{(1-\epsilon)}{4s_{12}^2} \left[-g^{\mu\nu} t_{12,3}^2 + 16s_{123} \frac{z_1^2 z_2^2}{z_3(1-z_3)} \left(\frac{\tilde{k}_2}{z_2} - \frac{\tilde{k}_1}{z_1} \right)^\mu \left(\frac{\tilde{k}_2}{z_2} - \frac{\tilde{k}_1}{z_1} \right)^\nu \right] \right. \\ & - \frac{3}{4}(1-\epsilon)g^{\mu\nu} + \frac{s_{123}}{s_{12}} g^{\mu\nu} \frac{1}{z_3} \left[\frac{2(1-z_3) + 4z_3^2}{1-z_3} - \frac{1-2z_3(1-z_3)}{z_1(1-z_1)} \right] \\ & + \frac{s_{123}(1-\epsilon)}{s_{12}s_{13}} \left[2z_1 \left(\tilde{k}_2^\mu \tilde{k}_2^\nu \frac{1-2z_3}{z_3(1-z_3)} + \tilde{k}_3^\mu \tilde{k}_3^\nu \frac{1-2z_2}{z_2(1-z_2)} \right) \right. \\ & + \frac{s_{123}}{2(1-\epsilon)} g^{\mu\nu} \left(\frac{4z_2 z_3 + 2z_1(1-z_1) - 1}{(1-z_2)(1-z_3)} - \frac{1-2z_1(1-z_1)}{z_2 z_3} \right) \\ & \left. \left. + \left(\tilde{k}_2^\mu \tilde{k}_3^\nu + \tilde{k}_3^\mu \tilde{k}_2^\nu \right) \left(\frac{2z_2(1-z_2)}{z_3(1-z_3)} - 3 \right) \right] \right\} + (5 \text{ permutations}) . \end{aligned}$$

Catani, Grazzini 1999

Entangled singularities

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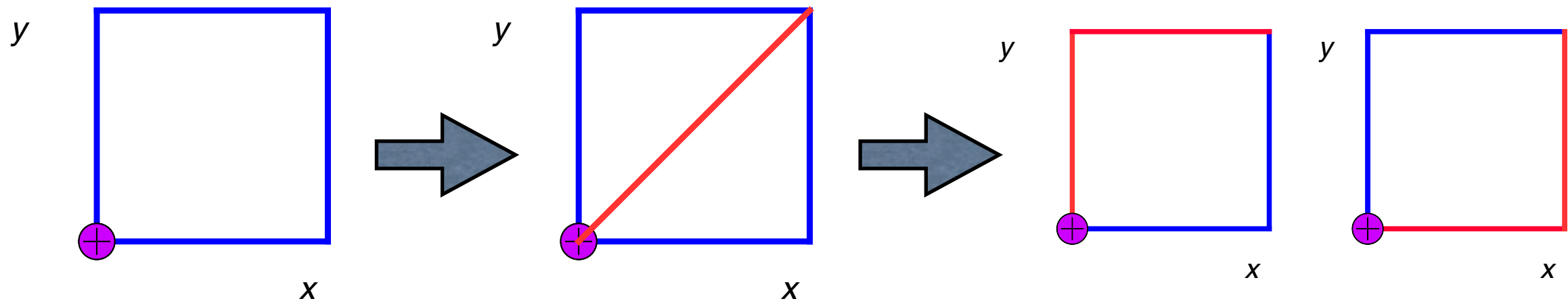
- When one introduces an explicit parameterization:
 $s_{123} \sim E_1 E_2 (1 - c_{12}) + E_1 E_3 (1 - c_{13}) + E_2 E_3 (1 - c_{23})$
- What goes to zero quicker? $E_1, E_2, E_3, (1 - c_{12}), (1 - c_{13}),$ or $(1 - c_{23})$?
- Need to order the limits, since singularities must be extracted from integrals of the schematic form:

$$\int_0^1 dx dy \frac{x^\epsilon y^\epsilon}{(x + y)^2} F_J(x, y)$$

- Need a systematic technique for ordering limits, too many of such issues appear

Sector decomposition

- Can define a systematic procedure to order limits



$$I = \int_0^1 dx dy \frac{x^\epsilon y^\epsilon}{(x+y)^2}$$

$$I_1 = \int_0^1 dx \int_0^x dy \frac{x^\epsilon y^\epsilon}{(x+y)^2}$$


$$I_1 = \int_0^1 dx dy \frac{x^{-1+2\epsilon} y^\epsilon}{(1+y)^2}$$

$$I_2 = \int_0^1 dy \int_0^y dx \frac{x^\epsilon y^\epsilon}{(x+y)^2}$$

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$$y^{-1-\epsilon} = -\frac{\delta(y)}{\epsilon} + \left[\frac{1}{y} \right]_+ - \epsilon \left[\frac{\ln y}{y} \right]_+ + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$$

Sector decomposition for simple processes

$$\int |M|^2 d\phi = \frac{F(0)}{\epsilon} + \int dx \frac{F(x) - F(0)}{x} + \dots$$


Subtraction and integrated subtraction terms are for free
(no need for analytic PS integrations)

Successfully applied for NNLO
differential cross sections, but for
“special” processes

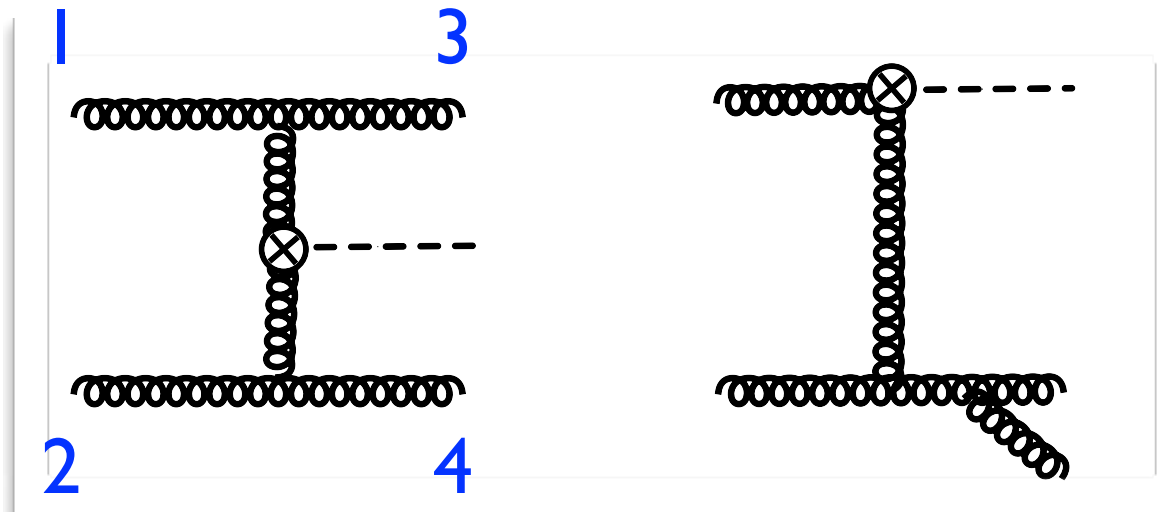
- $e^+e^- \rightarrow 2$ jets (Anastasiou, Melnikov, FP 2004)
- Higgs production (Anastasiou, Melnikov, FP 2005)
- Electroweak gauge boson production (Melnikov, FP 2006)

Note that:

- Parametrization known only for one collinear direction
- In its original version, sector decomposition is a highly process-dependent framework

Higgs production

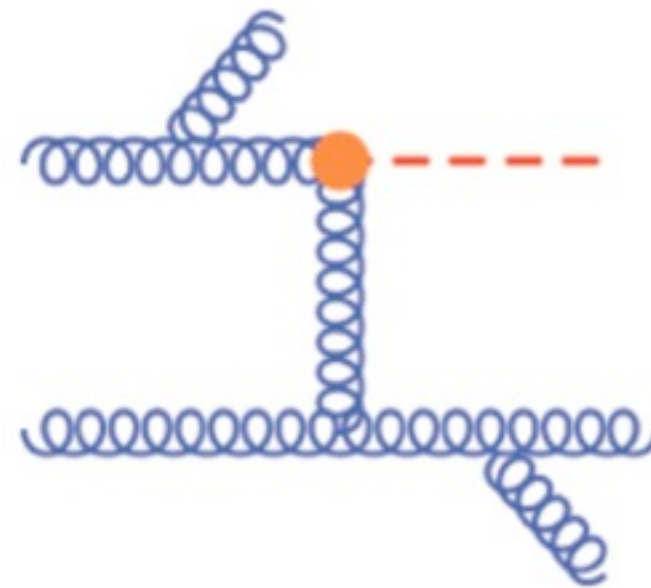
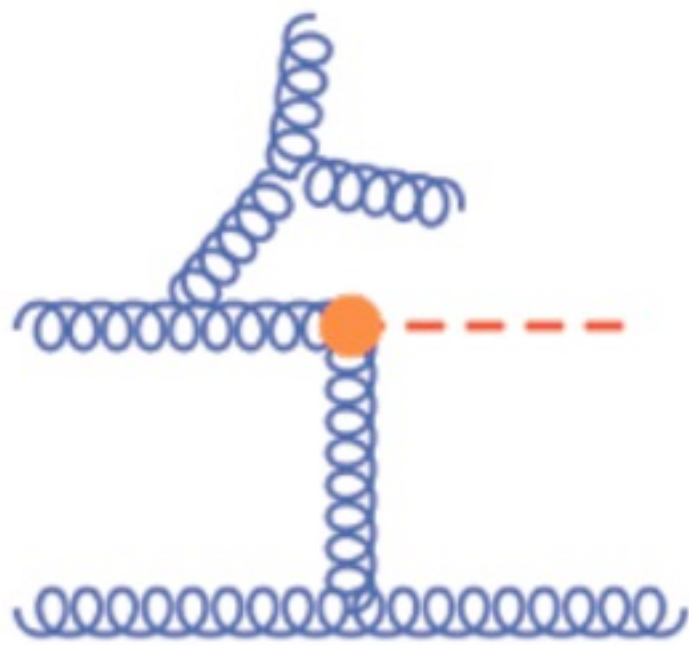
- To illustrate the drawbacks, use Higgs production as an example. Consider one of the diagrammatic contributions to the double-real radiation correction.



- Invariants that occur in this topology : $s_{13}, s_{24}, s_{134}, s_{34}$. These contain collinear singularities $p_1 || p_3, p_2 || p_4, p_3 || p_4, p_1 || p_3 || p_4$
- The structure of these singularities makes it difficult to find a suitable global parameterization amenable to sector decomposition.
- Would need to start over with entirely new parameterization for Higgs+jet
- However, can only have $p_1 || p_3$ & $p_2 || p_4$ or $p_1 || p_3 || p_4$ in a given phase space region. Not all invariants above can have collinear singularities simultaneously.

Higgs plus jet singularity structure

- Much more complicated singularity structure, in particular **three collinear directions**:



Potential troubles: $s_{1g}, s_{2g}, s_{3g}, s_{gg}, s_{1gg}, s_{2gg}, s_{3gg}$ and combinations

Finding a 'good' global parametrization is (very) hard

Sector-improved subtraction

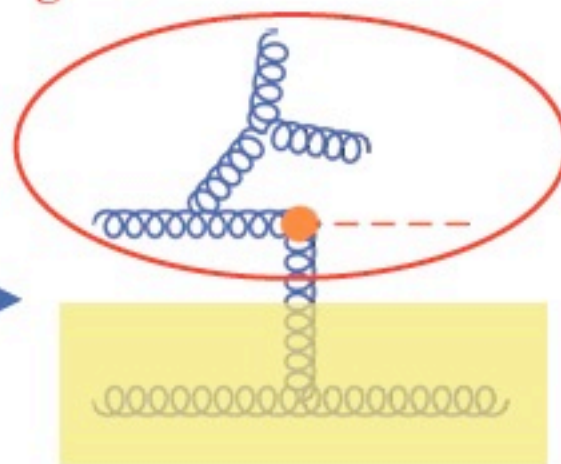
- Key improvement : A combination of sector decomposition and FKS (Frixione, Kunszt, Signer) ideas makes the extraction of singularities systematic [Czakon \(2010\)](#)

- @ NNLO the elementary building block is the double unresolved phase space where two unresolved particles can become soft or collinear to one or two hard directions
- **partition** the phase space such that in each partition only a subset of particles leads to singularities: only two soft singularities can occur, and only one triple collinear or one double collinear singularity can occur.
- we can now pick a **local** parametrization for each partition
- the partitioning is done using **energies and angles** of the unresolved particles w.r.t. the hard parton(s) emitting them

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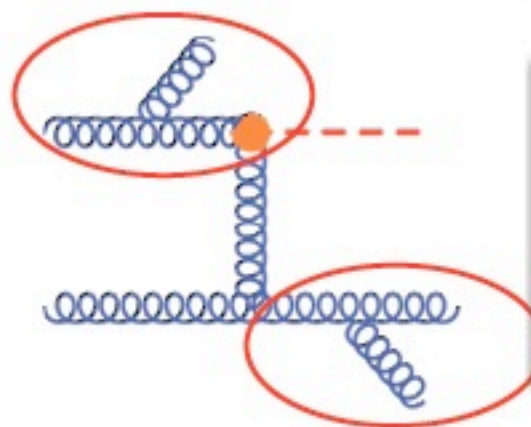
$$\int |M|^2 d\phi = \sum_s \int |M|^2 d\phi \Delta_s^{g_1 || i, g_2 || j}$$

$$\int |M|^2 d\phi \Delta^{g_1 || 1, g_2 || 1}$$



Single collinear direction
~ parametrization of
ggH, DY, $e^+e^- \rightarrow$ dijets

$$\int |M|^2 d\phi \Delta^{g_1 || 1, g_2 || 3}$$



Two (~uncorrelated) dir.
~ NLO^2

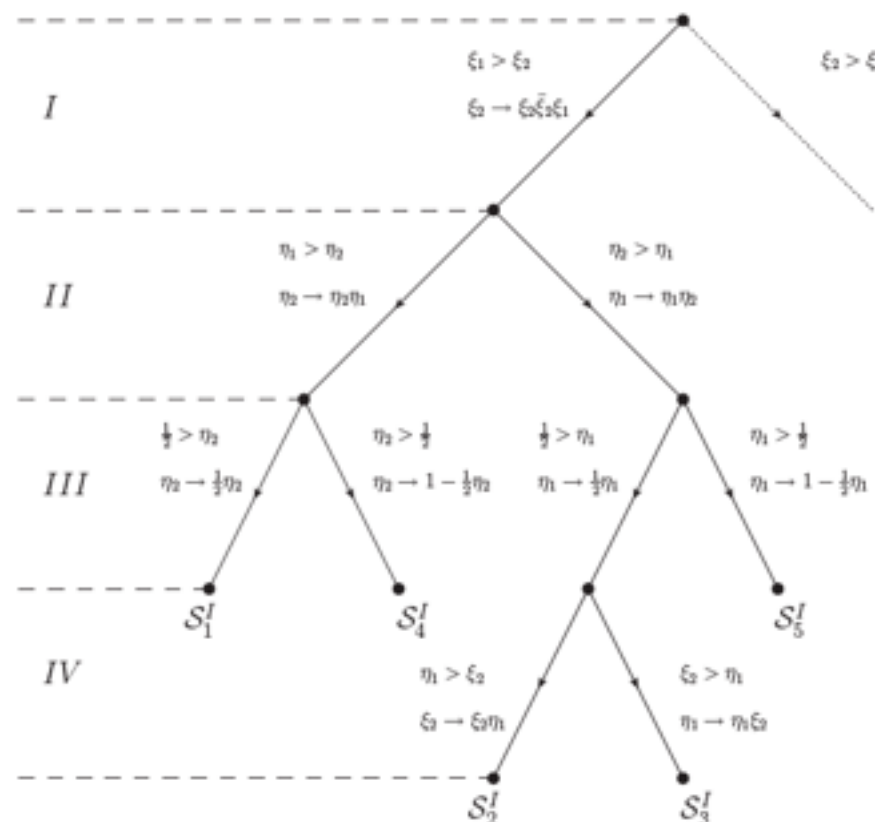
No matter how complicated the process is,
it can be reduced to the sum of individual contributions. For each of
them, we know a sector decomposition-friendly PS parametrization

Partitioning for Higgs+jet

- First introduce a transverse-momentum partitioning to ensure that at least one hard parton is in the final state:

$$\Delta = \frac{p_{T3}}{p_{T3} + p_{T4} + p_{T5}}$$

- Left with the angular partitions: $p_5 || p_4 || p_1$, $p_5 || p_4 || p_2$, $p_5 || p_4 || p_3$, $p_5 || p_1 \& p_4 || p_2$, $p_5 || p_2 \& p_4 || p_1$, $p_5 || p_1 \& p_4 || p_3$, $p_5 || p_3 \& p_4 || p_1$, $p_5 || p_2 \& p_4 || p_3$, $p_5 || p_3 \& p_4 || p_2$



from Czakon, 1005.0274

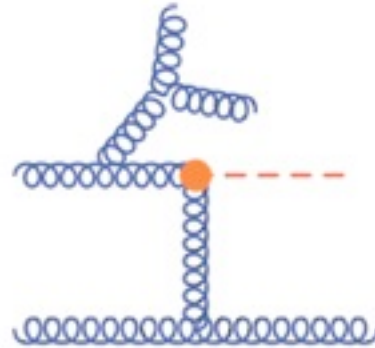
- Divide each partition into the necessary sectors; shown here for triple-collinear
- This same sector tree applies to **all** triple-collinear partitions
- Very helpful to use rotational invariance to use different reference frames in each partition. For $p_5 || p_4 || p_1$ set $p_1 = E_1(1,0,0,1)$. For $p_5 || p_4 || p_3$, rotate and set $p_3 = E_3(1,0,0,1)$.

Building blocks for Higgs+jet

Recall the general structure: $F(x) = \int [|M|^2 x] \{dy\}$

$$\int |M|^2 d\phi = \frac{F(0)}{\epsilon} + \int dx \frac{F(x) - F(0)}{x} + \dots$$

The Subtraction terms are constructed from reduced matrix elements using QCD factorization of soft and collinear singularities



$$\sim \frac{P_{ggg} \otimes |M_j|^2}{s_{gg}}, \quad \frac{P_{gg} \otimes |M_{jj}|^2}{s_{gg}}$$

We need to provide

- $F(\vec{x}; \{y\})$: fully-resolved matrix element (RR and RV)
- $\lim_{x_i \rightarrow 0} F(\vec{x}; \{y\})$: matrix element in a singular configuration

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$\lim_{x_i \rightarrow 0} F(\vec{x}; \{y\})$: reduced (=lower multiplicity) matrix element times universal eikonals / splitting functions

[Catani, Grazzini (1998, 2000); Kosower, Uwer (1999)]

Real-virtual

- Treatment of the real-virtual corrections possible with same technique
- Phase-space is that of an NLO real-emission correction, so FKS@NLO is suitable.
- However, the amplitudes now have branch cuts, which change the overall fractional powers appearing in the integral we must perform.

$$RV_i = \int \{dy\} \frac{dx_1}{x_1^{1+2\epsilon}} \frac{dx_2}{x_2^{1+\epsilon}} (F_{i,1} + (x_1^2 x_2)^{-\epsilon} F_{i,2} + x_1^{-2\epsilon} F_{i,3})$$

energy variable angular variable

must keep track of the different fractional powers which can appear, to properly expand in plus distributions

Building blocks for Higgs+jet

- The use of d-dimensional rotational invariance necessitates CDR

- tree-level H+3j
- tree-level H+2j up to $O(\epsilon^2)$
- tree-level H+1j up to $O(\epsilon)$
- one-loop H+2j [Badger, Glover, Mastrolia, Williams \(2009\)](#)
- one-loop H+1j up to $O(\epsilon^2)$
- two-loop H+1j [Gehrmann, Jaquier, Glover, Koukoutsakis \(2011\)](#)
- renormalization, collinear subtraction

- Since the amplitudes have to be evaluated near singular configurations, numerical stability of all the above amplitudes is very important
- Extremely grateful to [MCFM](#) and [Gehrmann, Glover et al.](#) for providing the H+2-jet@1-loop and H+1-jet@2-loops amplitudes in a user-friendly format!

Checks

Two entirely independent computations (JHU/ANL-Northwestern)

Phase space parametrization and partitioning

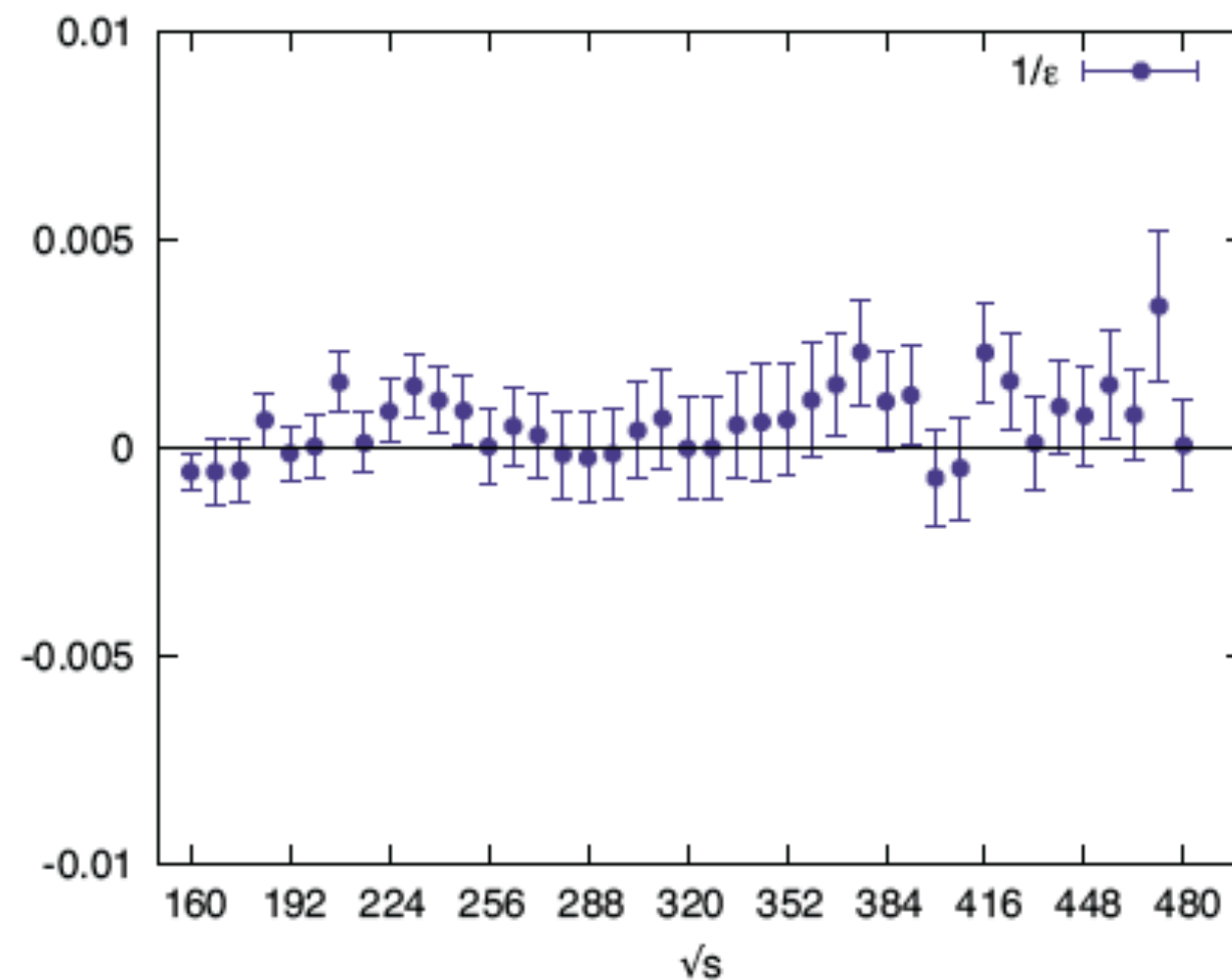
- correct D-dimensional PS volume in each partition
- rotational invariance in D-dimensions (**spin-correlations**)

Amplitudes

- tree-level amplitudes tested against MadGraph
- loop-amplitudes implementation checked against original MCFM
- singular limits
- D-dimensional helicity amplitudes checked against brute-force computation for $\sum_{pol} |M|^2$

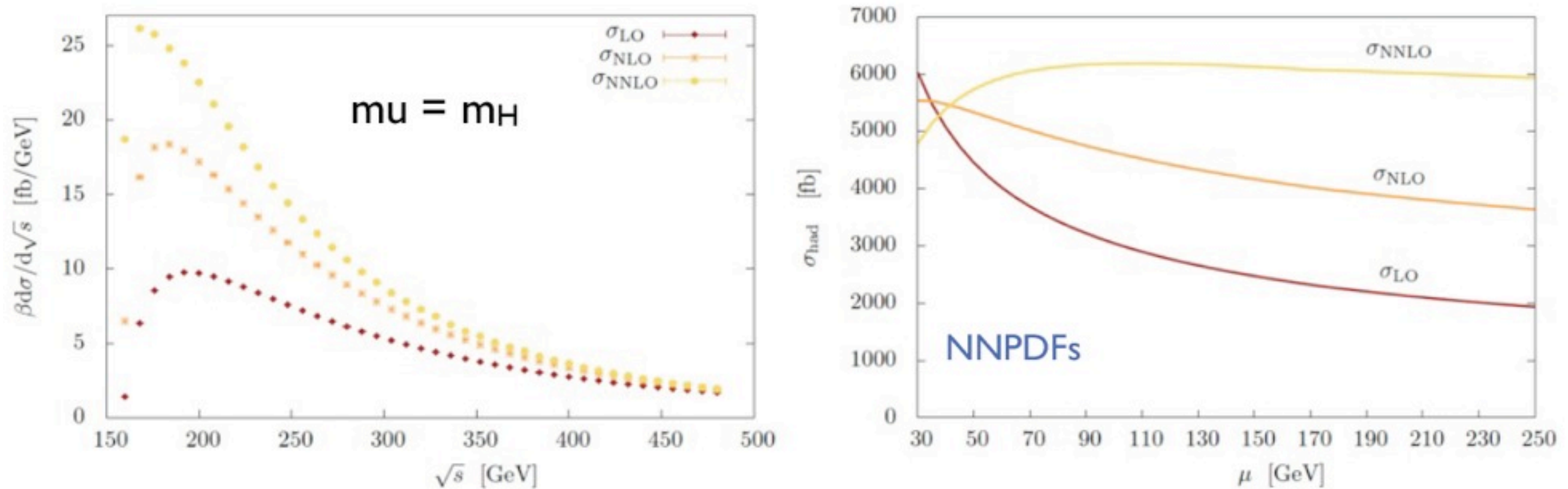
Pole cancellation

NUMERICAL CANCELLATION between
renormalization and coll. counterterms, RR, RV, VV



$1/\epsilon$ poles, degree of cancellation $\sim 10^{-3}$
($1/\epsilon^2$: $\sim 10^{-4}$)

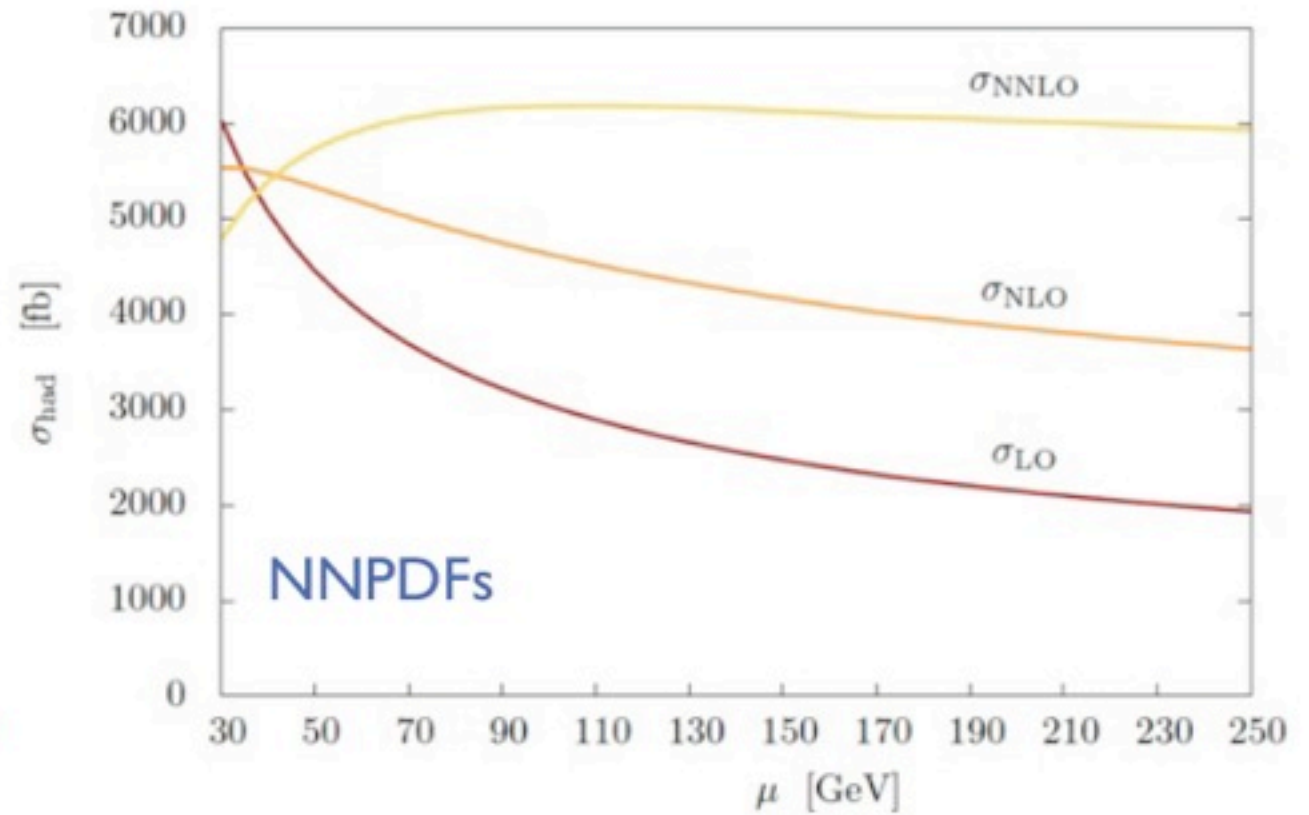
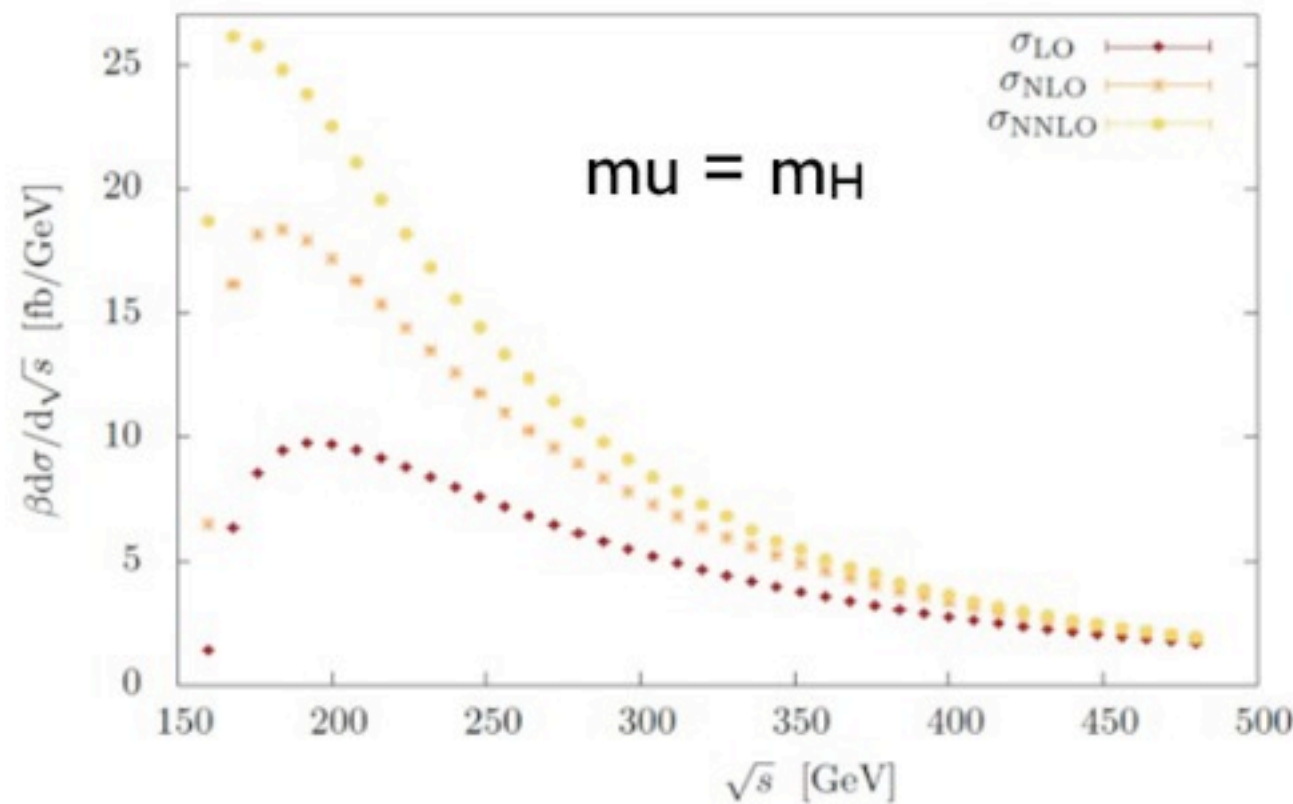
Numerical results (gg only)



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- Partonic cross section for $gg \rightarrow H_j$ @ LO, NLO, NNLO
- Realistic jet algorithm, k_T with $R=0.5$, $p_T > 30$ GeV
- Hadronic cross-section $pp \rightarrow H_j$ using latest NNPDF sets
- Scale variation in the range $m_H/2 < \mu < 2 m_H$, $m_H = 125$ GeV

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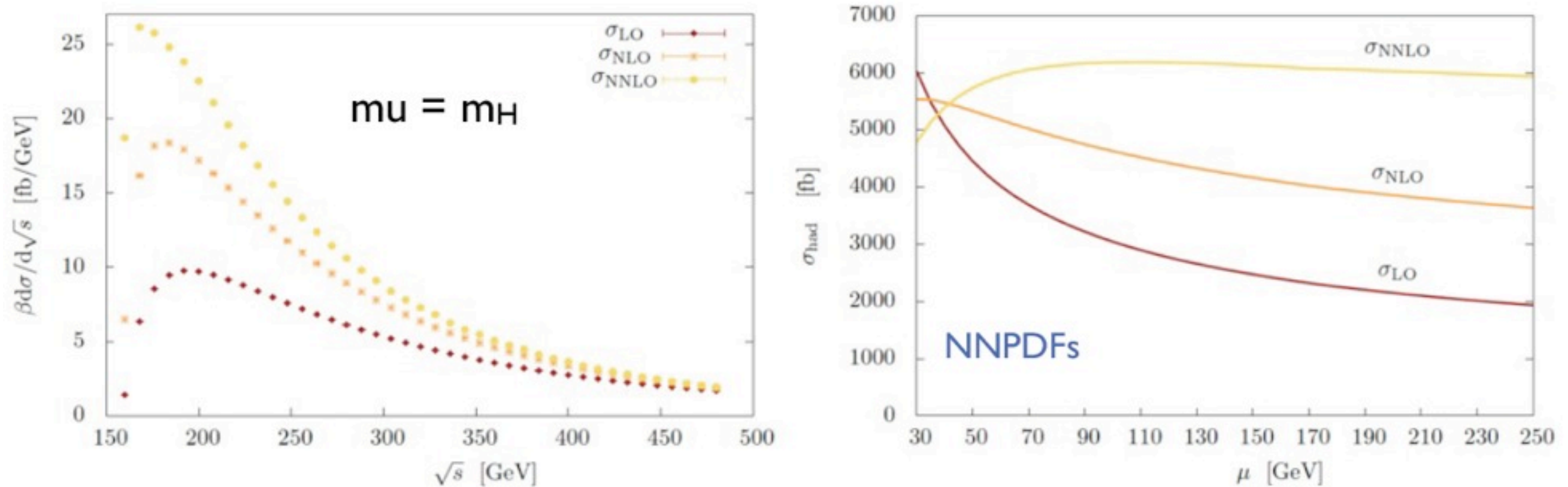


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Significantly reduced
scale dependence $O(4\%)$

$\sigma_{NLO}/\sigma_{LO} = 1.6$
 $\sigma_{NNLO}/\sigma_{NLO} = 1.3$
Large K-factor

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- gg-channel is the dominant one for phenomenological studies: at NLO gg (70%), qg(30%)
- quark channels necessary for achieving the desired precision: ongoing work

Conclusions

- Increasingly precise experimental Higgs results demand improved theory predictions to unravel the origin of EWSB
- Work on the quark channels for $H+\text{jet}$ at NNLO ongoing in order to provide phenomenological results for LHC experiments
- Looking forward to future applications of these techniques at the LHC!