

NNLO QCD predictions for the LHC with antenna subtraction

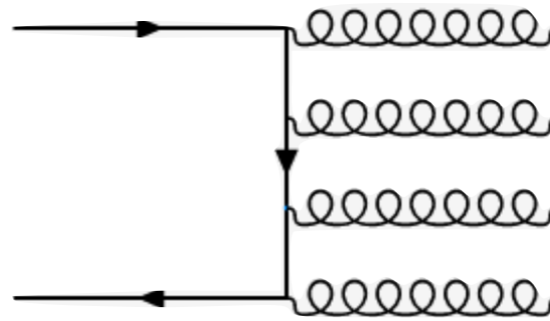
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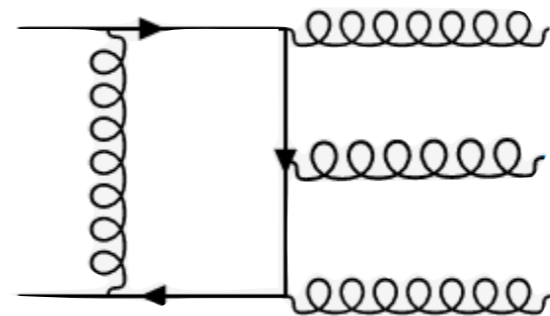


Anatomy of an NNLO calculation

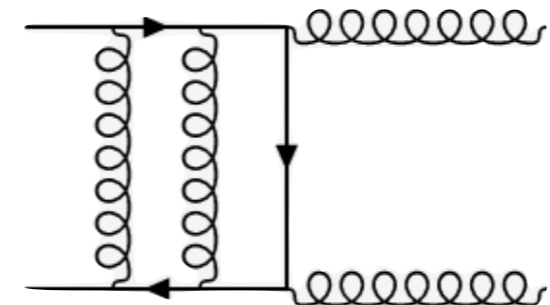
$$\begin{aligned}
 d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO} &= \int_{d\Phi_4} d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO}^{RR} \\
 &+ \int_{d\Phi_3} d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO}^{RV} \\
 &+ \int_{d\Phi_2} d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO}^{VV}
 \end{aligned}$$



- double-unresolved
- single-unresolved



- single-unresolved
- $1/\epsilon^2$; $1/\epsilon$



- $1/\epsilon^4$; $1/\epsilon^3$;
 $1/\epsilon^2$; $1/\epsilon$;

Assume all matrix elements are available

- Tree level matrix elements (RR) $2 \rightarrow n+2$
 - One-loop matrix elements (RV) $2 \rightarrow n+1$
 - Two loop matrix elements (VV) $2 \rightarrow n$
- } Form NLO correction to $2 \rightarrow n+1$

Infrared singularities: real radiation

NLO

- single collinear: $p_a // p_b$
- single soft: $E_a \rightarrow 0$

NNLO

- Triple collinear: $p_a // p_b // p_c$
- Double single collinear: $p_a // p_b ; p_c // p_d$
- Soft/collinear: $E_a \rightarrow 0 , p_b // p_c$
- Double soft: $E_a \rightarrow 0 , E_b \rightarrow 0$
- One-loop virtual correction with NLO singularities

NNLO antenna subtraction

$$\begin{aligned}
 d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO} &= \int_{d\Phi_4} \left(d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO}^{RR} - d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO}^S \right) \\
 &+ \int_{d\Phi_3} \left(d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO}^{RV} - d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO}^T \right) \\
 &+ \int_{d\Phi_2} \left(d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO}^{VV} - d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO}^U \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO}^S \quad d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO}^T$$

- mimic RR,RV in unresolved limits

$$d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO}^T \quad d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO}^U$$

- analytically cancel the poles in RV and VV matrix elements

- NNLO cross section with each line **finite** and **integrable** in d=4 dimensions

Implementation in parton-level event generator

- Generate particle momenta for (n), (n+1), (n+2)
- Reconstruct observable
- Weight with squared matrix elements
- Subtract/add real radiation singularities

Colour ordering

- QCD amplitudes in colour basis

All gluon

$$\mathcal{A}_n^{\text{tree}}(\{k_i, \lambda_i, a_i\}) = g^{n-2} \sum_{\sigma \in S_n / Z_n} \text{Tr}(T^{a_{\sigma(1)}} \dots T^{a_{\sigma(n)}}) A_n^{\text{tree}}(\sigma(1^{\lambda_1}), \dots, \sigma(n^{\lambda_n}))$$

Quark pair plus gluons

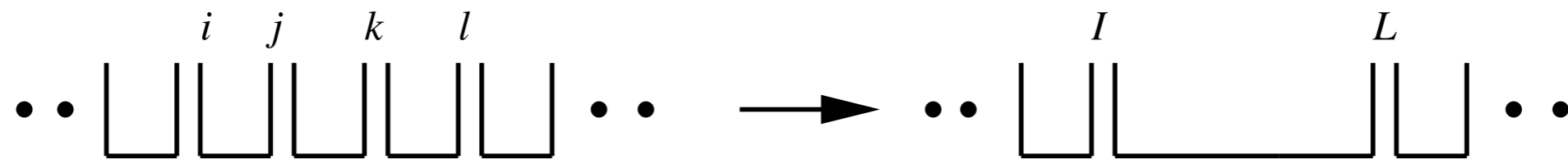
$$\mathcal{A}_n^{\text{tree}} = g^{n-2} \sum_{\sigma \in S_{n-2}} (T^{a_{\sigma(3)}} \dots T^{a_{\sigma(n)}})_{i_2}^{\bar{j}_1} A_n^{\text{tree}}(1_{\bar{q}}^{\lambda_1}, 2_q^{\lambda_2}, \sigma(3^{\lambda_3}), \dots, \sigma(n^{\lambda_n}))$$

- Real radiation infrared singularities only between colour adjacent partons
- Well defined patterns from colour-connections

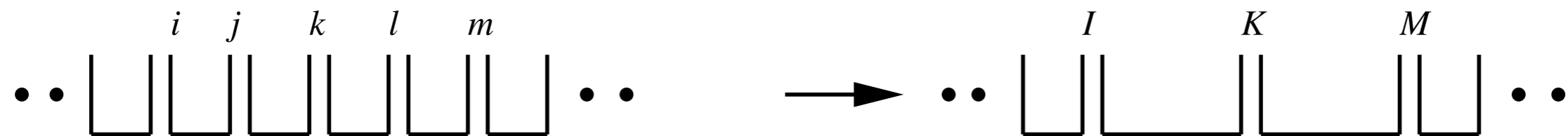
Antenna subtraction at NNLO (RR)

$$d\sigma_{NNLO}^S = d\sigma_{NNLO}^{S,a} + d\sigma_{NNLO}^{S,b} + d\sigma_{NNLO}^{S,c} + d\sigma_{NNLO}^{S,d} + d\sigma_{NNLO}^{S,e}$$

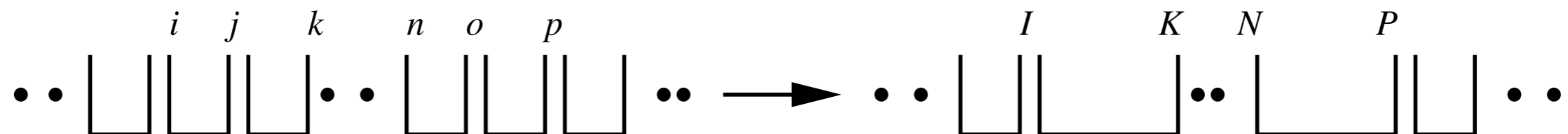
- (a) one unresolved parton \rightarrow three parton antenna function X_{ijk}
- (b) two colour-connected unresolved partons \rightarrow four parton antenna function X_{ijkl}



- (c) two almost colour connected unresolved partons \rightarrow strongly ordered product of non-independent three parton antenna functions $X_{ijk}X_{klm}, X_{klm}X_{ijk}$

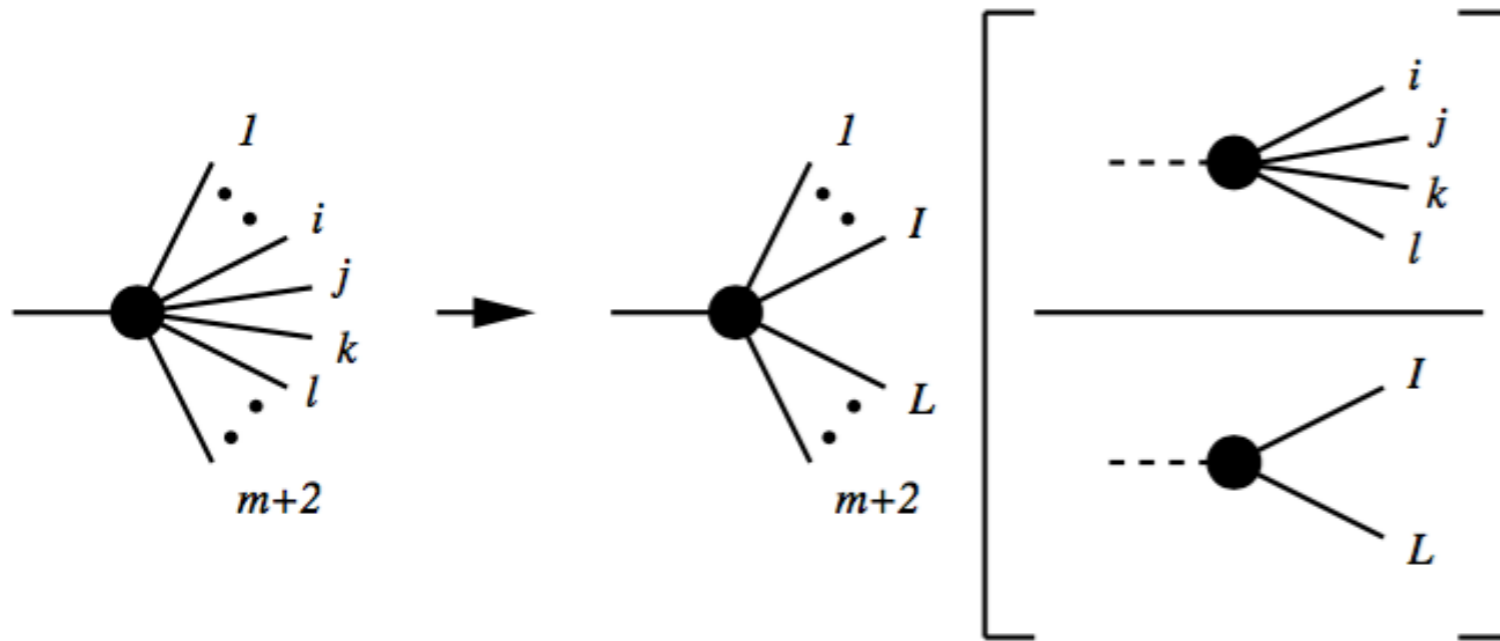


- (d) two colour unconnected unresolved partons \rightarrow product of independent three parton antenna functions $X_{ijk}X_{nop}$



- (e) subtracts large angle soft radiation \rightarrow soft factor S_{ajc}

Two colour connected partons



Four-parton
antenna function

$$\begin{aligned}
 d\sigma_{NNLO}^{S,b} = & \mathcal{N} \sum_{m+2} d\Phi_{m+2}(p_1, \dots, p_{m+2}; q) \frac{1}{S_{m+2}} \\
 & \times \left[\sum_{jk} (X_{ijkl}^0 - X_{ijk}^0 X_{IKl}^0 - X_{jkl}^0 X_{iJL}^0) \right. \\
 & \left. \times |\mathcal{M}_m(p_1, \dots, \tilde{p}_I, \tilde{p}_L, \dots, p_{m+2})|^2 J_m^{(m)}(p_1, \dots, \tilde{p}_I, \tilde{p}_L, \dots, p_{m+2}) \right],
 \end{aligned}$$

$$A_4^0(i_q, j_g, k_g, l_{\bar{q}})$$

smoothly interpolates
colour connected
unresolved limits

$$E_j, E_k \rightarrow 0$$

$$S_{ijkl}$$

$$p_i // p_j // p_k$$

$$P_{qgg \rightarrow Q}(w, x, y)$$

$$E_k \rightarrow 0, p_i // p_j$$

$$S_{q;gg\bar{q}} P_{qg \rightarrow Q}(z)$$

$$p_i // p_j, p_k // p_l$$

$$P_{qg \rightarrow Q}(z) P_{\bar{q}g \rightarrow \bar{Q}}(y)$$

- Phase space mapping $(i,j,k,l) \rightarrow (I,L)$

$$p_I = xp_i + r_1 p_j + r_2 p_k + zp_l$$

$$p_L = (1-x)p_i + (1-r_1)p_j + (1-r_2)p_k + (1-z)p_l$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2(s_{12} + s_{13} + s_{14})} \left[(1 + \rho) s_{1234} - r_1 (s_{23} + 2s_{24}) - r_2 (s_{23} + 2s_{34}) + (r_1 - r_2) \frac{s_{12}s_{34} - s_{13}s_{24}}{s_{14}} \right]$$

$$z = \frac{1}{2(s_{14} + s_{24} + s_{34})} \left[(1 - \rho) s_{1234} - r_1 (s_{23} + 2s_{12}) - r_2 (s_{23} + 2s_{13}) - (r_1 - r_2) \frac{s_{12}s_{34} - s_{13}s_{24}}{s_{14}} \right]$$

$$\rho = \left[1 + \frac{(r_1 - r_2)^2}{s_{14}^2 s_{1234}^2} \lambda(s_{12} s_{34}, s_{14} s_{23}, s_{13} s_{24}) + \frac{1}{s_{14} s_{1234}} \left\{ 2(r_1(1-r_2) + r_2(1-r_1))(s_{12}s_{34} + s_{13}s_{24} - s_{23}s_{14}) + 4r_1(1-r_1)s_{12}s_{24} + 4r_2(1-r_2)s_{13}s_{34} \right\} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}},$$

$$r_1 = \frac{s_{23} + s_{24}}{s_{12} + s_{23} + s_{24}}$$

$$r_2 = \frac{s_{34}}{s_{13} + s_{23} + s_{34}}$$

$$d\Phi_{m+2}(p_1, \dots, p_{m+2}) = d\Phi_m(p_1, \dots, p_I, p_L, \dots, p_{m+2}) \cdot d\Phi_{X_{ijkl}}(p_i, p_j, p_k, p_l; p_I, p_L)$$

$$\{p_i, p_j, p_k, p_l\} \rightarrow \{p_I, p_L\}$$

smoothly interpolates
colour connected
unresolved limits

$$E_j, E_k \rightarrow 0$$

$$p_I = p_i$$

$$p_L = p_l$$

$$p_i \parallel p_j \parallel p_k$$

$$p_I = p_i + p_j + p_k$$

$$p_L = p_l$$

$$E_k \rightarrow 0, p_i \parallel p_j$$

$$p_I = p_i + p_j$$

$$p_L = p_l$$

$$p_i \parallel p_j, p_k \parallel p_l$$

$$p_I = p_i + p_j$$

$$p_L = p_k + p_l$$

Antenna functions and types

- all antennae can be derived from physical matrix elements in QCD
- colour ordered pair of hard partons (radiators) with radiation in between
 - hard quark-antiquark pair
 - hard quark-gluon pair
 - hard gluon-gluon pair
- three parton antennae → one unresolved parton
- four-parton antennae → two unresolved partons
- can be at tree level or one loop
- can be massless or massive
- all have three antenna types
 - final-final antenna
 - initial-final antenna
 - initial-initial antenna

$$X_3^0(i, j, k)$$

$$X_4^0(i, j, k, l)$$

$$X_3^1(i, j, k)$$

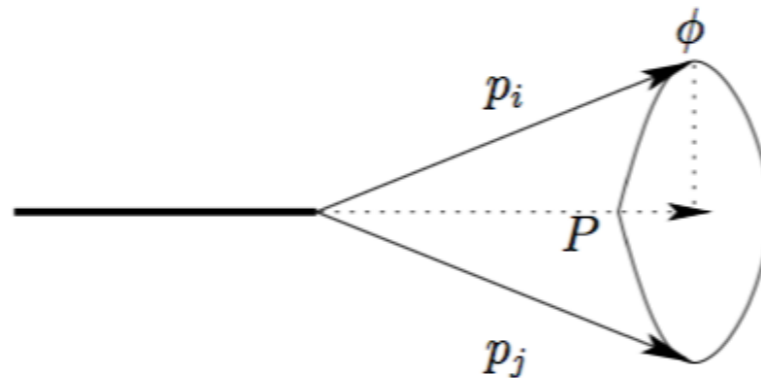
Angular averaging

- **Antenna** functions are **scalar objects** → do not subtract **angular correlations** in gluon splitting
- Angular correlations **vanish** after **integration** over the **azimuthal angle**

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi (p_l \cdot k_\perp) = 0, \quad \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi (p_l \cdot k_\perp)^2 = -k_\perp^2 \frac{p \cdot p_l n \cdot p_l}{p \cdot n}$$

$$\Theta_{F_3^0}(i, j, z, k_\perp) \sim A \cos(2\phi + \alpha)$$

- Make **fully local** subtraction by **combining** phase space points related to each other by a 90 degree **rotation** of the system of unresolved partons



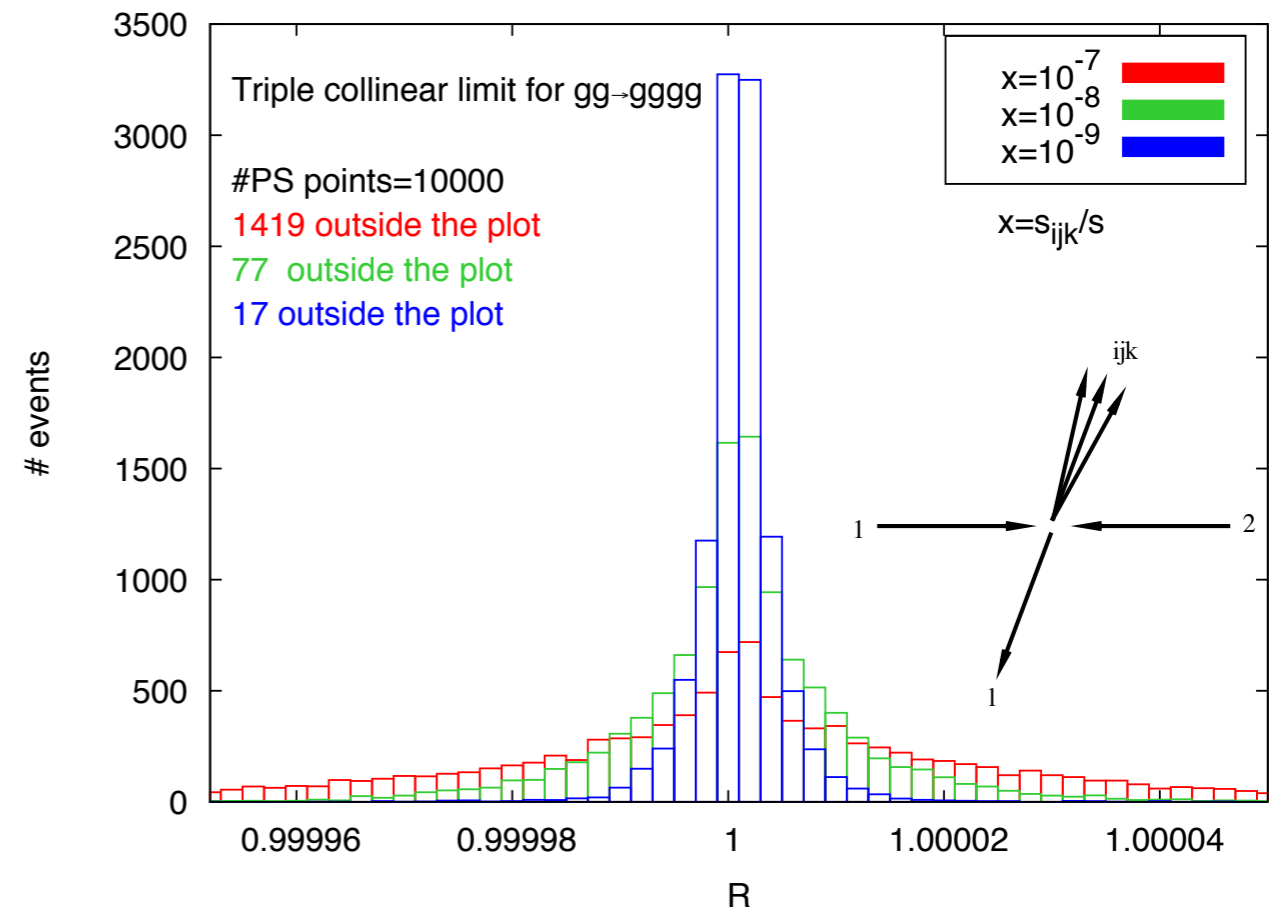
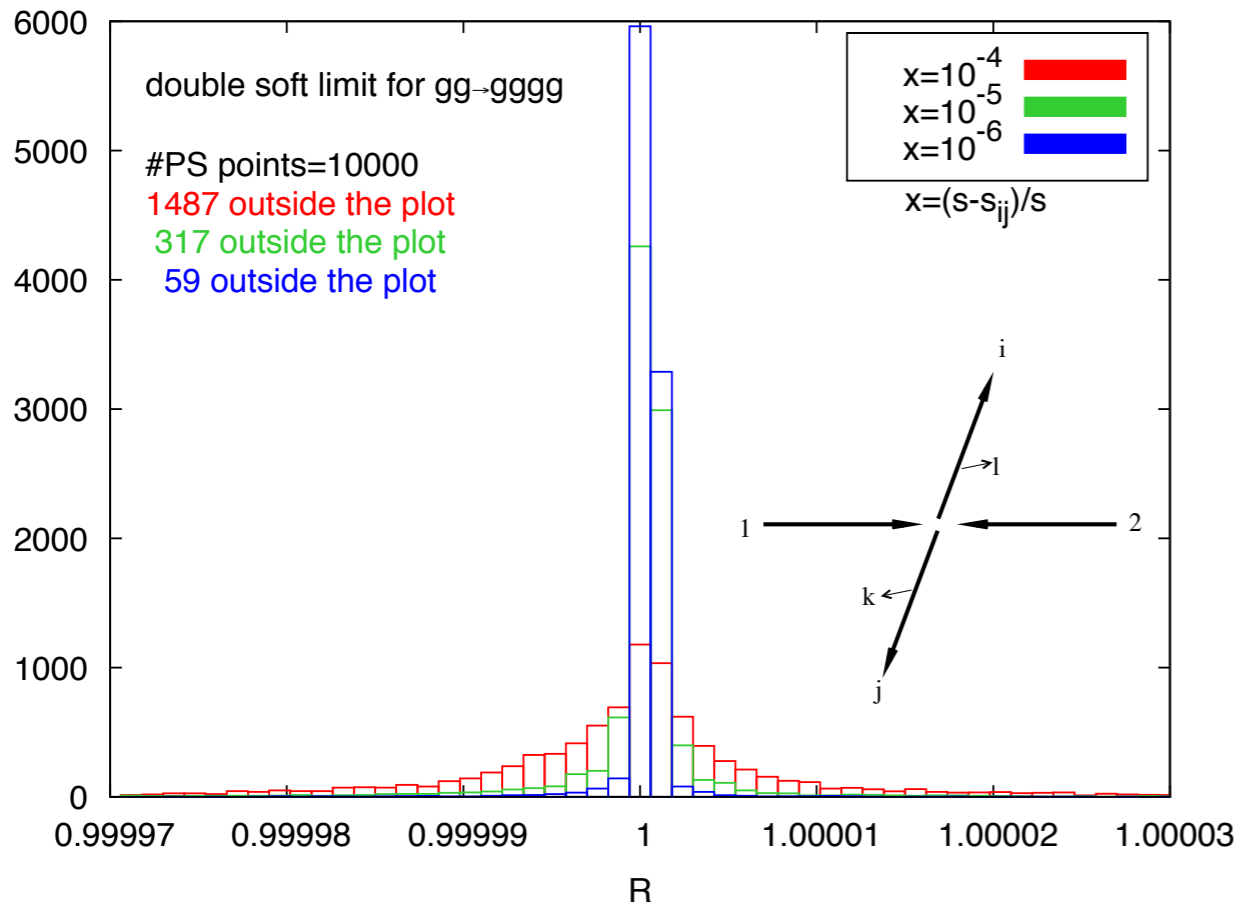
$$p_i^\mu = zp^\mu + k_\perp^\mu - \frac{k_\perp^2}{z} \frac{n^\mu}{2p \cdot n},$$

$$\text{with } 2p_i \cdot p_j = -\frac{k_\perp^2}{z(1-z)},$$

$$p_j^\mu = (1-z)p^\mu - k_\perp^\mu - \frac{k_\perp^2}{1-z} \frac{n^\mu}{2p \cdot n},$$

$$p^2 = n^2 = k_\perp \cdot p = k_\perp \cdot n = 0$$

Antenna subtraction at work



Double unresolved emission

- Generate phase space trajectories that approach singular region of the phase space
- Infrared behaviour of subtraction term mimics the behaviour of the matrix element

$$R = \frac{d\sigma_{NNLO}^R}{d\sigma_{NNLO}^S} \xrightarrow{l_g, k_g \rightarrow 0} 1$$

Double virtual antenna contribution

	a	b	b, c	d	e
$d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO}^S$	$X_3^0 \mathcal{M}_{m+3}^0 ^2$	$X_4^0 \mathcal{M}_{m+2}^0 ^2$	$X_3^0 X_3^0 \mathcal{M}_{m+2}^0 ^2$	$X_3^0 X_3^0 \mathcal{M}_{m+2}^0 ^2$	$S X_3^0 \mathcal{M}_{m+2}^0 ^2$
$\int_1 d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO}^{S,1}$	$\mathcal{X}_3^0 \mathcal{M}_{m+3}^0 ^2$	–	$\mathcal{X}_3^0 X_3^0 \mathcal{M}_{m+2}^0 ^2$	–	$S X_3^0 \mathcal{M}_{m+2}^0 ^2$
$\int_2 d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO}^{S,2}$	–	$\mathcal{X}_4^0 \mathcal{M}_{m+2}^0 ^2$	–	$\mathcal{X}_3^0 \mathcal{X}_3^0 \mathcal{M}_{m+2}^0 ^2$	–

- Integrated **double unresolved** emission of RR process \propto tree level **double soft** function
- Integrated **iterated** NLO emissions of RR process
- Integrated **single unresolved** emission from RV process \propto tree level **single soft** function
- Integrated **single unresolved** emission of RV process \propto one loop **single soft** function

	$d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO}^T$		
Final State Particles	a	a	(b, c)
$m + 1$	$X_3^1 \mathcal{M}_{m+2}^0 ^2$	$X_3^0 \mathcal{M}_{m+2}^1 ^2$	$\mathcal{X}_3^0 X_3^0 \mathcal{M}_{m+2}^0 ^2$
m	$\mathcal{X}_3^1 \mathcal{M}_{m+2}^0 ^2$	$\mathcal{X}_3^0 \mathcal{M}_{m+2}^1 ^2$	$\mathcal{X}_3^0 \mathcal{X}_3^0 \mathcal{M}_{m+2}^0 ^2$

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$\int_1 d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO}^{S,1}$	$\chi_3^0 \mathcal{M}_{m+3}^0 ^2$	–	$\chi_3^0 X_3^0 \mathcal{M}_{m+2}^0 ^2$	–	$S X_3^0 \mathcal{M}_{m+2}^0 ^2$
$\int_2 d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO}^{S,2}$	–	$\chi_4^0 \mathcal{M}_{m+2}^0 ^2$	–	$\chi_3^0 \chi_3^0 \mathcal{M}_{m+2}^0 ^2$	–

$$\text{Poles}(d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO}^{U,a}) \sim \mathbf{J}^1(\epsilon, \hat{1}_g, \hat{2}_g, i_g, j_g) \left(A_4^1(\hat{1}_g, \hat{2}_g, i_g, j_g) - \frac{b_0}{\epsilon} A_4^0(\hat{1}_g, \hat{2}_g, i_g, j_g) \right)$$

$$\text{Poles}(d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO}^{U,b}) \sim \mathbf{J}^1(\epsilon, \hat{1}_g, \hat{2}_g, i_g, j_g) \otimes \mathbf{J}^1(\epsilon, \hat{1}_g, \hat{2}_g, i_g, j_g) A_4^0(\hat{1}_g, \hat{2}_g, i_g, j_g)$$

$$\text{Poles}(d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO}^{U,c}) \sim \mathbf{J}^2(\epsilon, \hat{1}_g, \hat{2}_g, i_g, j_g) A_4^0(\hat{1}_g, \hat{2}_g, i_g, j_g)$$

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m	$\chi_3^1 \mathcal{M}_{m+2}^0 ^2$	$\chi_3^0 \mathcal{M}_{m+2}^1 ^2$	$\chi_3^0 \chi_3^0 \mathcal{M}_{m+2}^0 ^2$

- integrated operators $\mathbf{J}_2^{(2,1)}$ in **analytic** one-to-one correspondence with $(\mathbf{I}_1)^2$ operator of Catani

$$\begin{aligned}
d\sigma_{VV} &= 2\mathbf{I}^{(1)}(\epsilon, \hat{1}_g, \hat{2}_g, i_g, j_g) A_4^1(\hat{1}_g, \hat{2}_g, i_g, j_g) \\
&- 2\mathbf{I}^{(1)}(\epsilon, \hat{1}_g, \hat{2}_g, i_g, j_g)^2 A_4^0(\hat{1}_g, \hat{2}_g, i_g, j_g) \\
&+ \mathbf{I}^{(2)}(\epsilon, \hat{1}_g, \hat{2}_g, i_g, j_g) \\
&+ \text{Finite}(A_2^2(\hat{1}_g, \hat{2}_g, i_g, j_g))
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
d\sigma_U &= \mathbf{J}_4^1(1_g, 2_g, i_g, j_g) A_4^1(1_g, 2_g, i_g, j_g) \\
&+ \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{J}_4^1(1_g, 2_g, i_g, j_g) \otimes \mathbf{J}_4^1(1_g, 2_g, i_g, j_g) A_4^0(1_g, 2_g, i_g, j_g) \\
&+ \mathbf{J}_4^2(1_g, 2_g, i_g, j_g) A_4^0(1_g, 2_g, i_g, j_g)
\end{aligned}$$

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$$\boxed{\text{Poles} \left(d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO}^{VV} - d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO}^U \right) = 0}$$

Subtraction at Subleading Colour

- gluons only **double-real colour summed** cross section

$$d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO}^{RR} = \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi}\right)^2 N^4(N^2 - 1) d\Phi_4(p_3, \dots, p_6; p_1; p_2) J_2^{(4)}(p_3, \dots, p_6) \frac{1}{4!} \sum_{\sigma \in S_6/Z_6} \left[|A_6^{(0)}(\sigma)|^2 + \frac{2}{N^2} A_6^0(\sigma) \left(A_6^{\dagger 0}(\sigma \cdot \rho_1) + A_6^{\dagger 0}(\sigma \cdot \rho_2) + A_6^{\dagger 0}(\sigma \cdot \rho_3) \right) \right]$$

- **double-real sub-leading** contribution written as three interferences summed over permutations. For $\sigma=(1,2,3,4,5,6)$

$$(\sigma \cdot \rho_1) = (1, 3, 5, 2, 6, 4)$$

$$(\sigma \cdot \rho_2) = (1, 3, 6, 4, 2, 5)$$

$$(\sigma \cdot \rho_3) = (1, 4, 2, 6, 3, 5)$$

- $(\sigma \cdot \rho_{1,2,3})$ are the only **three** independent **orderings** that exist for six gluon **scattering** which have no **common two** or **three** particle poles in common with σ

⇒ no single, double or triple collinear singularities at subleading colour ✓

- subtract divergences associated with single soft and double soft gluons

Subtraction at Subleading Colour

- in the **single soft limit** the interferences **factorize** in the following way

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \mathcal{M}_{n+1}^{0,\dagger}(\cdots, a, i, b, \cdots) \mathcal{M}_{n+1}^0(\cdots, c, i, d, \cdots) \xrightarrow{i \rightarrow 0} \\
 & \quad J_\mu(p_a, p_i, p_b) \epsilon^\mu(p_j) J_\nu(p_c, p_i, p_d) \epsilon^\nu(p_i) \mathcal{M}_n^{0,\dagger}(\cdots, a, b, \cdots) \mathcal{M}_n^0(\cdots, c, d, \cdots) \\
 & = \frac{1}{2} (S_{aid} + S_{bic} - S_{aic} - S_{bid}) \mathcal{M}_n^{0,\dagger}(\cdots, a, b, \cdots) \mathcal{M}_n^0(\cdots, c, d, \cdots)
 \end{aligned}$$

where $S_{ajc} = 2s_{ac}/s_{aj}/s_{jc}$ is the **squared eikonal factor**

- eikonal factor** with uniquely identified **radiators** and **unresolved** momenta is mapped to a **three parton** antenna function
- single unresolved** subtraction term constructed from a product of differences of tree-level **three parton** antenna function and reduced **colour ordered interferences**

Subtraction at Subleading Colour

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$$\mathcal{M}_{n+1}^{0,\dagger}(\cdots, a, i, j, b, \cdots) \mathcal{M}_{n+1}^0(\cdots, c, i, d, \cdots, e, j, f, \cdots) \xrightarrow{i,j \rightarrow 0} \\ J_{\mu_1 \mu_2}(p_a, p_i, p_j, p_b) \epsilon^{\mu_1}(p_i) \epsilon^{\mu_2}(p_j) J_{\nu_1}(p_c, p_i, p_d) J_{\nu_2}(p_e, p_j, p_f) \epsilon^{\nu_1}(p_i) \epsilon^{\nu_2}(p_j) \\ \times \mathcal{M}_n^{0,\dagger}(\cdots, a, b, \cdots) \mathcal{M}_n^0(\cdots, c, d, \cdots, e, f, \cdots)$$

- when **summing** the **subleading colour contribution** explicitly over all **colour** permutations the tree level **double soft current** drops out from the limit
- the **double soft limit** at **subleading colour** can be written completely in terms of contractions of tree-level **single soft currents**

$$\mathbf{A}_6^0(p)|_{slc} \stackrel{5,6 \rightarrow 0}{\propto} (S_{153} + S_{254} - S_{154} - S_{254}) (S_{163} + S_{264} - S_{162} - S_{364}) |A_4^0(1, 2, 3, 4)|^2 \\ + (S_{153} + S_{254} - S_{154} - S_{254}) (S_{162} + S_{364} - S_{164} - S_{263}) |A_4^0(1, 2, 4, 3)|^2 \\ + (S_{152} + S_{354} - S_{154} - S_{253}) (S_{162} + S_{364} - S_{163} - S_{264}) |A_4^0(1, 3, 2, 4)|^2$$

- **subleading colour** subtraction reuses the same building blocks/antennae as at leading colour

Pros and cons

Antenna subtraction

- **local method** with **phase space averaging** → good control on the **numerical accuracy** of the final result, RR, RV, VV separately finite
- **analytic** IR **pole cancellation** at NNLO → good control on the **correctness** of the **pole cancellation**
- double precision
- **universal** method works for **general jet multiplicity** → no additional building blocks needed
- **subtraction terms** for a **fixed** colour structure **reusable**
- involves many **mappings/subtraction terms** as expected for a **local method** → needs caching system to store mappings

NNLOJET

NNLO **fully differential** parton-level **generator***

- Based on **antenna subtraction** for the **analytic** cancellation of IR **singularities** at NNLO

Infrastructure

- Process management
- Phase space, histogram routines
- Validation and testing
- Applgrid and FastNLO interface in progress

Processes implemented at NNLO

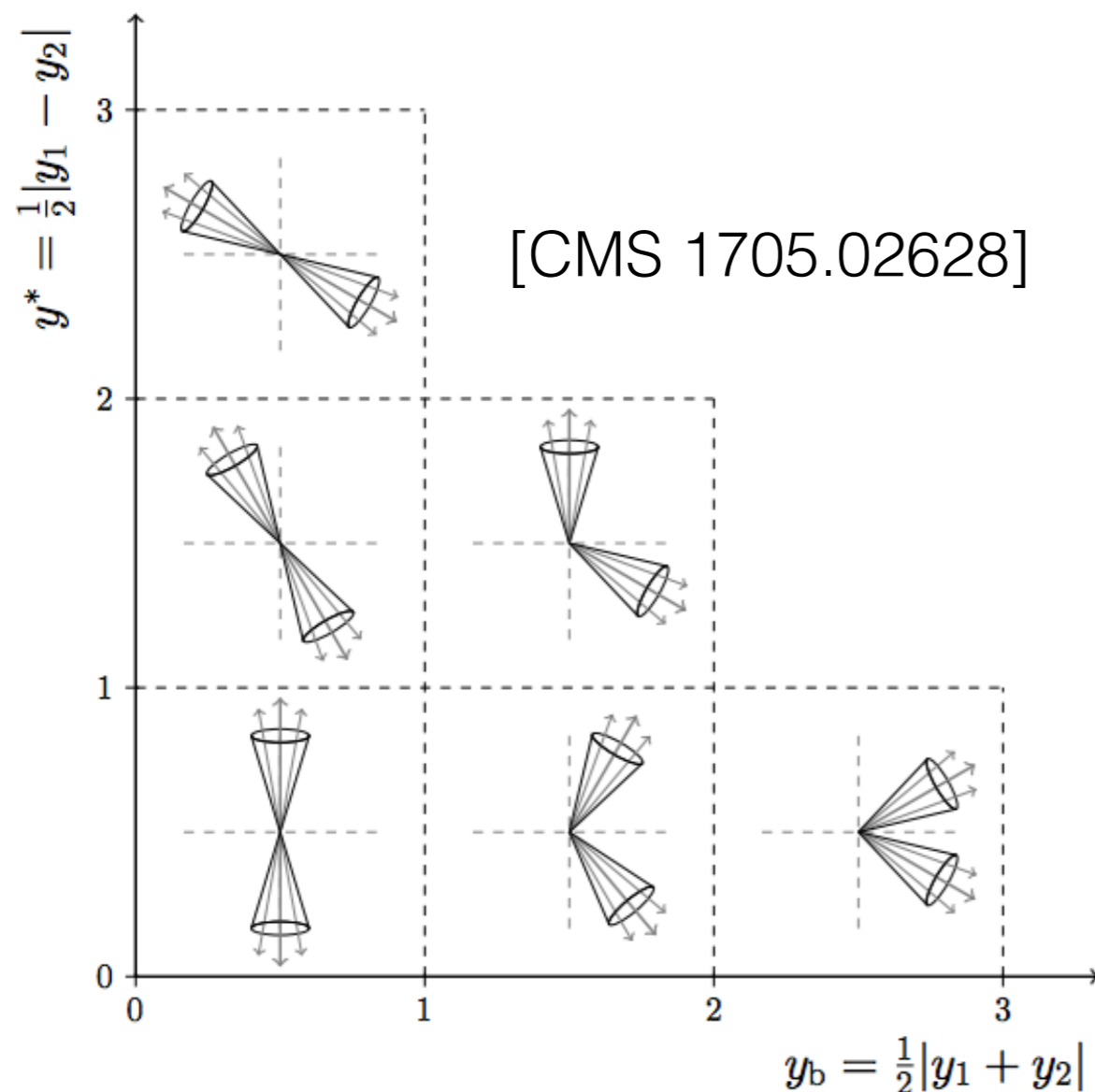
- $Z+(0,1)$ jet, $W+(0,1)$ jet
- $H+(0,1)$ jet
- DIS-2jet
- VBF $H+2$ jet
- Inclusive jet production

- In **use** by the **experimental collaborations** **ATLAS** and **CMS**
- New **processes** can be **added** using input from the **experimental community** as guidance

**X.Chen, J.Cruz-Martinez, J.Currie, R.Gauld, T.Gehrmann, A.Gehrmann-De Ridder, E.W.N.Glover, M.Höfer, A.Huss, T.Morgan, I.Majer, J.Niehues, D.Walker, JP [arXiv: 1801.06415] and references therein*

Dijet triple differential measurement - CMS

- Obtain the **maximal sensitivity** from the **dijet cross section** to the **parton densities** from **multi-differential distributions**
- Explore the **shape** of the **dijet cross section** in **triple differential form** to constrain PDFs at small to moderate x-values: **interplay** between the **parton luminosities** and the scattering **matrix elements**



- 2 jet **observables** built from the **two-leading jets** in the event, with the **caveat** that the assignment of the **hardest jet** in the event is not **infra-red safe**
- Follow the **setup** of the **8 TeV CMS measurement** that **overcomes** the problem

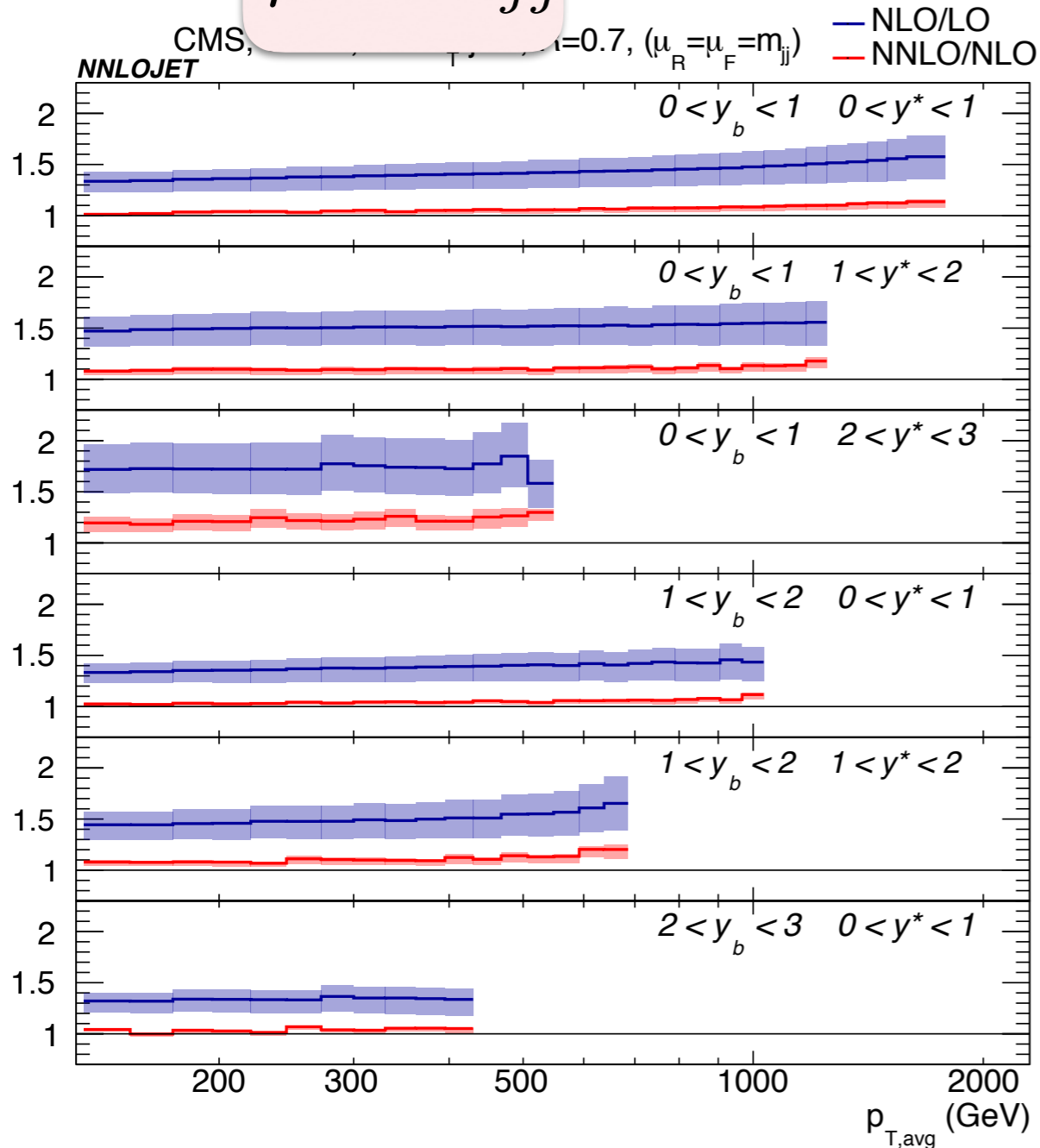
$$p_{T,\text{avg}} = (p_{T,1} + p_{T,2})/2$$

$$y^* = |y_1 - y_2|/2$$

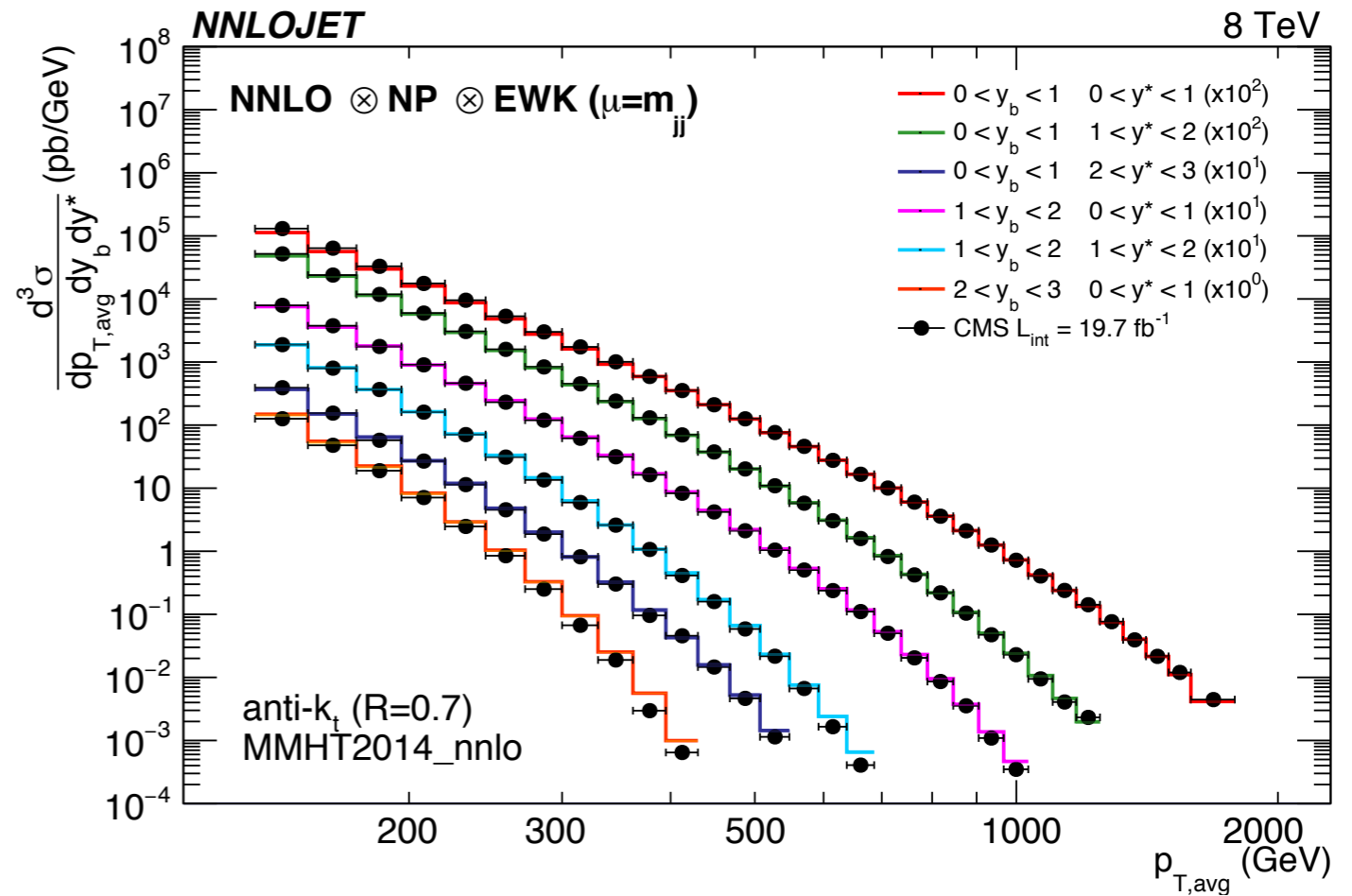
$$y_b = |y_1 + y_2|/2$$

CMS $\sqrt{s}=8$ TeV anti- k_T $R=0.7$

$$\mu = m_{jj}$$



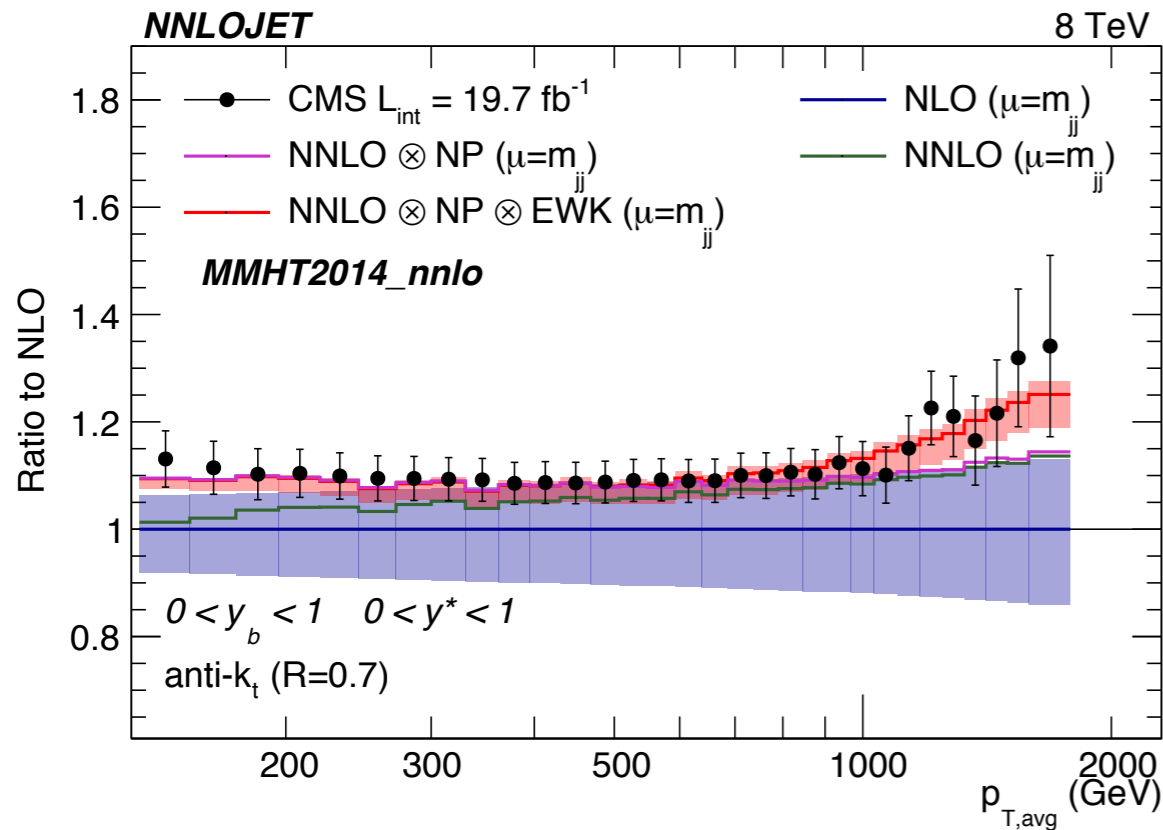
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- size of the corrections varies significantly as a function of $p_{T,avg}$ and the applied cuts on y^* and y_b
- NNLO correction changes both the shape and normalisation of the NLO result
- QCD scale choice $\mu_R = \mu_F = m_{jj}$

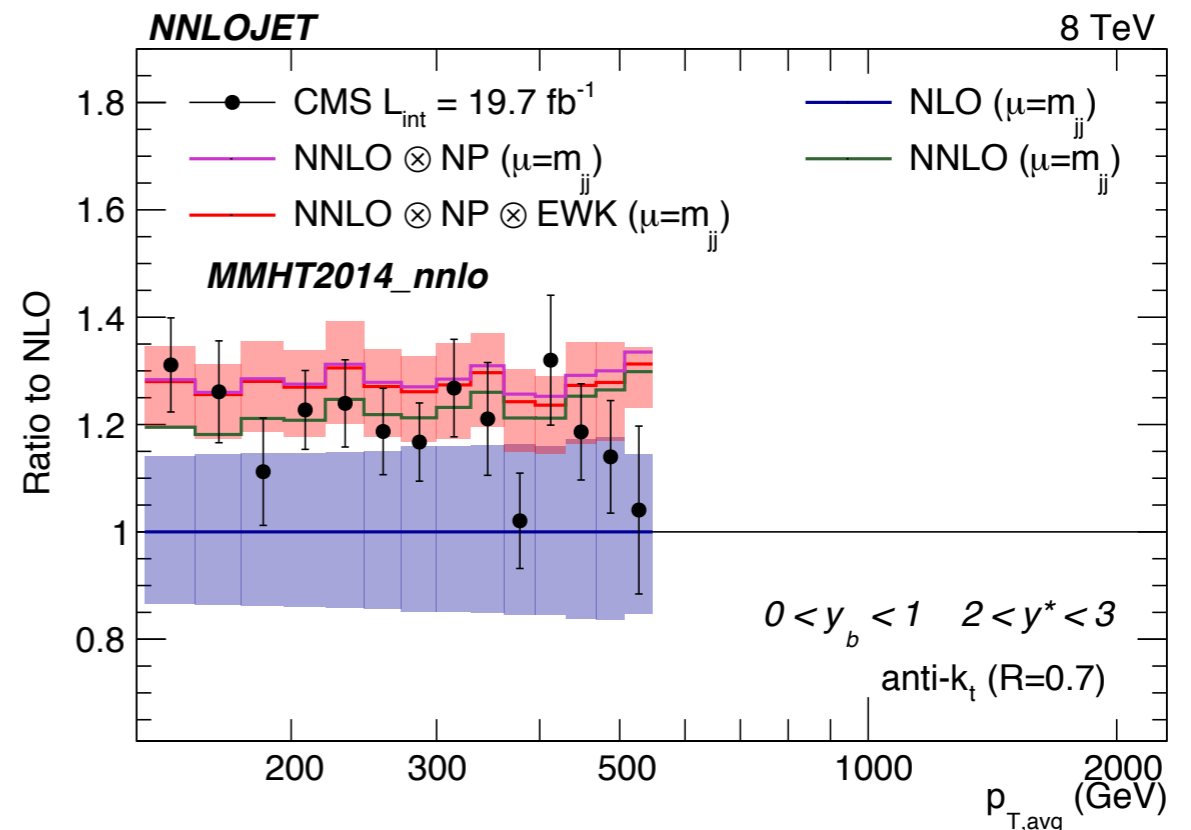
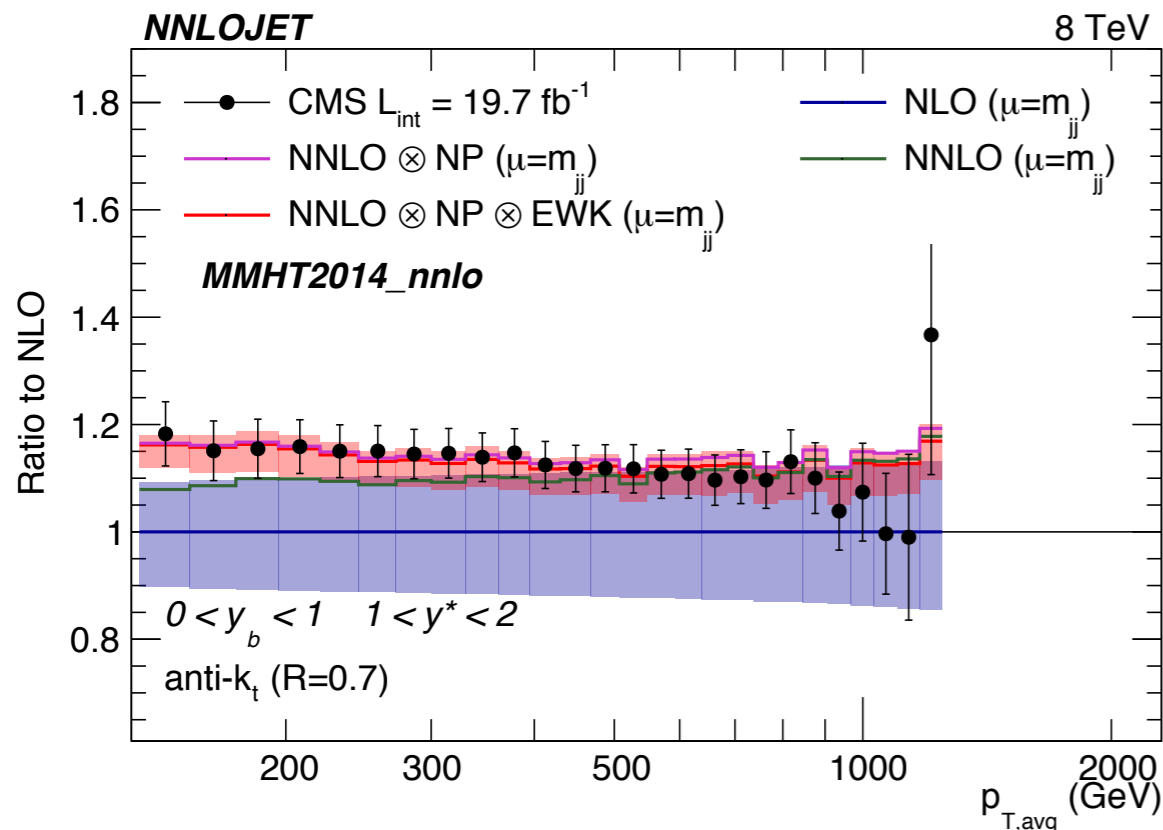
CMS $\sqrt{s}=8$ TeV $0 < y_b < 1$

MMHT2014_nnlo



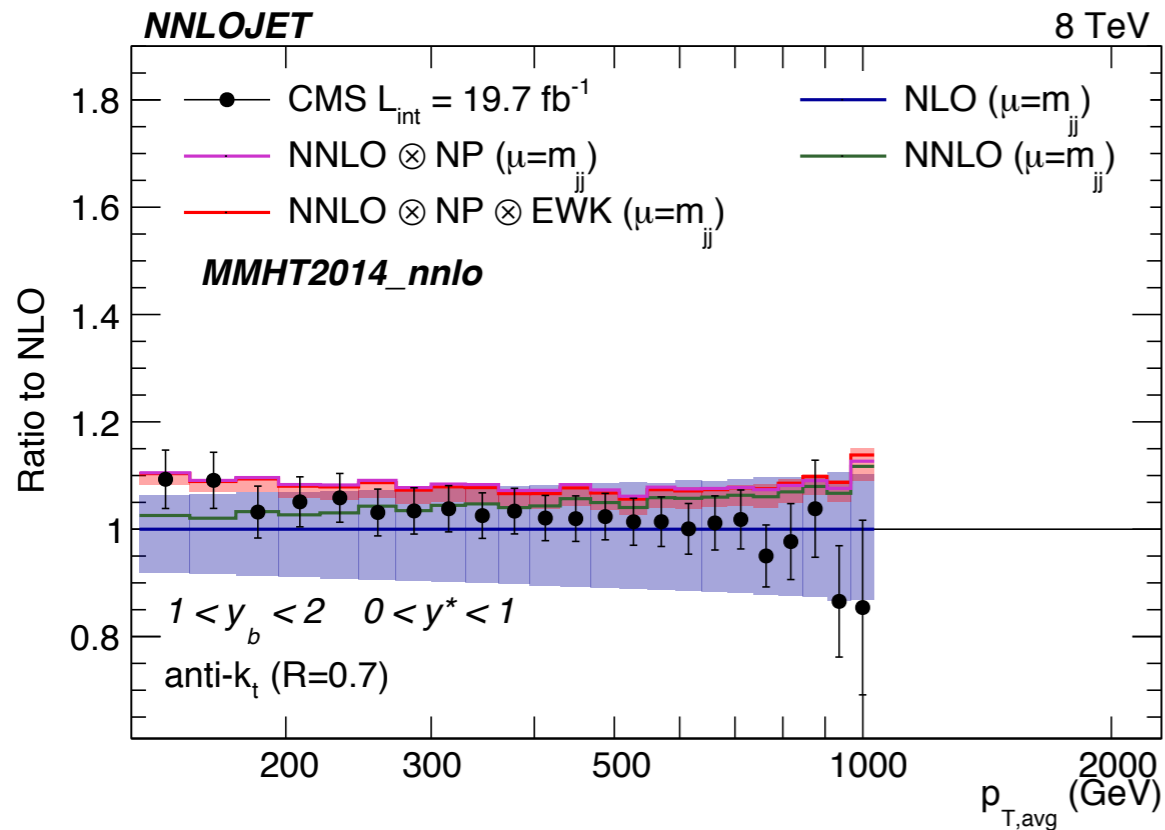
- **NNLO** correction changes both the shape and normalisation of the **NLO** result
- good agreement with **NNLO \otimes NP \otimes EWK** for the central y_b slice

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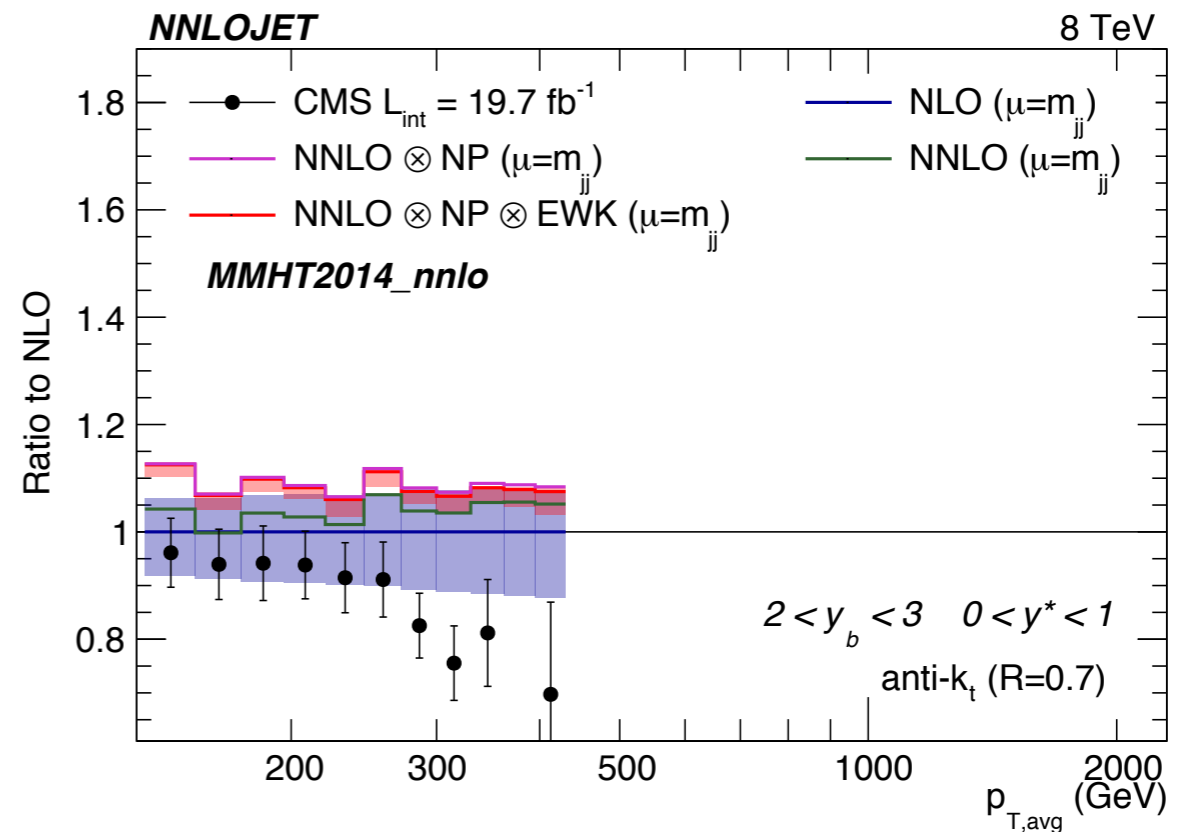
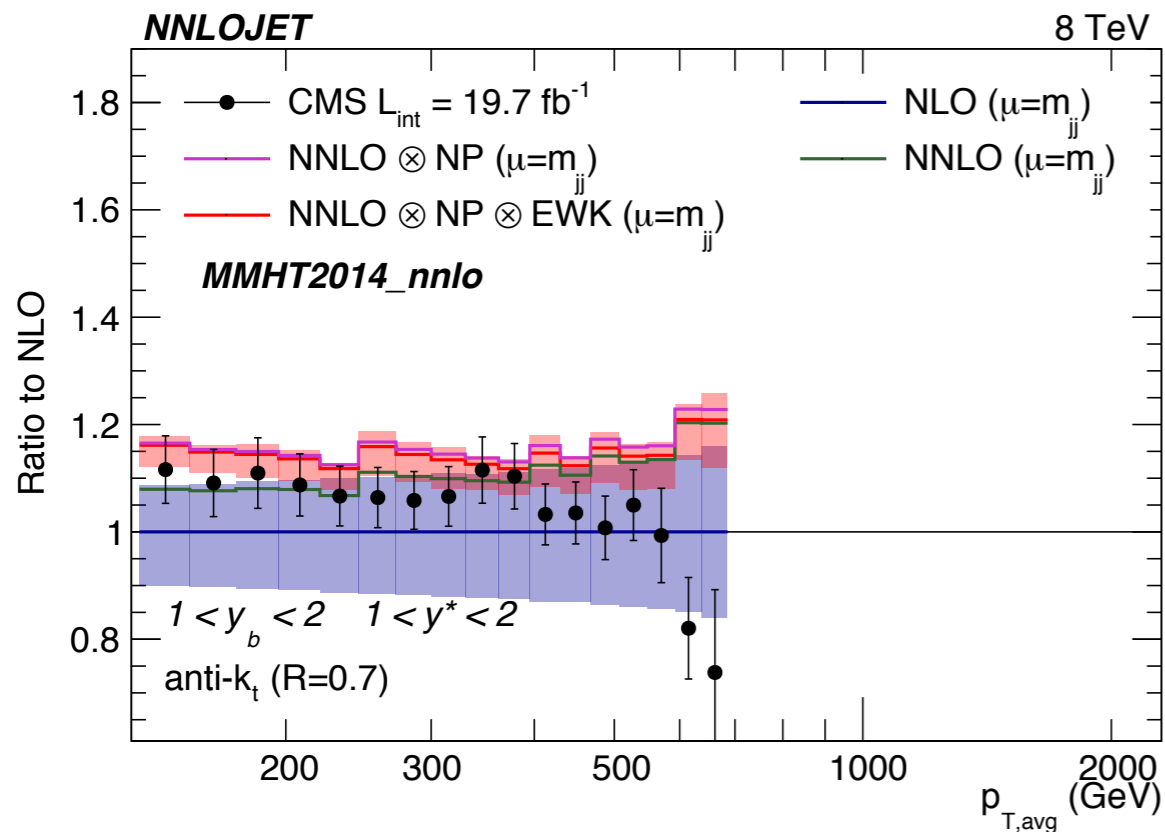


CMS $\sqrt{s}=8$ TeV $y_b > 1$

MMHT2014_nnlo



- y_b variation probes the scattering of a high- x parton off a low- x parton; \rightarrow large PDF uncertainty
- data sits below the central value of the MMHT2014 NNLO central value
- PDF effect since matrix element contribution invariant under y_b variation



Conclusions

Substantial progress in NNLO calculations in past couple of years

- several different approaches for isolating IR singularities
- several new calculations available

Antenna subtraction

- local IR phase space subtraction scheme with analytic pole cancellation
- RR, RV, VV contributions separately finite and integrable in $d=4$
- formalism developed for color charged final/initial states
- formalism implemented in a fully flexible parton level generator
- new processes can be added using the existing common syntax structures