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# Precision electroweak physics at present and future colliders

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- The possibility to parameterise our ignorance about BSM physics in the SMEFT language implies that we clarify how we test this model and how we determine fundamental parameters in this model
- The search for BSM signals benefits of a very precise understanding of the energy dependence of the observables One single deviation from the SM is not conclusive evidence of New Physics. (e.g. the CDF result for  $m_W$ ) ; a systematic pattern of deviations from the SM, at different energies, would be a more significant signal



# Outline of the talk

- The Precision Tests of the Standard Model of the strong and electroweak interactions
- The processes discussed here are an important set of “standard candles”:
  - at hadron colliders the Drell-Yan process  $pp \rightarrow l^+l^- + X$
  - at lepton colliders  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^- + X$
  - in low energy experiments  $e^-p \rightarrow e^-p$
- The precision achieved / expected in the measurement of the relevant observables allows a test of the SM at the quantum level → **status of the radiative corrections to the Drell-Yan processes**
- The determination of SM parameters (masses, couplings) requires a discussion of the methodology adopted to fit the model to the data and to estimate the theoretical uncertainties  
→ the  $m_W$  and  $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^\ell$  examples
- The challenge to extract indirect signs of BSM physics  
a “simplified” example: the determination in the SM of the running  $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}_{\overline{MS}}(\mu^2)$  at low and at large invariant masses

# The precision tests of the SM

from the Fermi theory to the current best predictions of  $MW$  and  $\sin^2\theta$   
and beyond

# From the Fermi theory of weak interactions to the discovery of W and Z

Fermi theory of  $\beta$  decay

muon decay  $\mu^- \rightarrow \nu_\mu e^- \bar{\nu}_e$   $\frac{1}{\tau_\mu} \rightarrow \Gamma_\mu \rightarrow G_\mu$

QED corrections to  $\Gamma_\mu$  necessary for precise determination of  $G_\mu$   
computable in the Fermi theory (Kinoshita, Sirlin, 1959)

The independence of the QED corrections of the underlying model (Fermi theory vs SM) allows

- to define  $G_\mu$  and to measure its value with high precision

$$G_\mu = 1.1663787(6) \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

- to establish a relation between  $G_\mu$  and the SM parameters

$$\frac{G_\mu}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{g^2}{8m_W^2} (1 + \Delta r)$$

The properties of physics at the EW scale

with sensitivity to the full SM and possibly to BSM via virtual corrections ( $\Delta r$ )  
are related to a very well measured low-energy constant

# From the Fermi theory of weak interactions to the discovery of W and Z

The SM predicts the **existence of a new neutral current**, different than the electromagnetic one  
(Glashow 1961, Weinberg 1967, Salam 1968)

The observation of weak neutral current immediately allowed the estimate of the **value of the weak mixing angle** in the correct range  
GARGAMELLE, Phys.Lett. 46B (1973) 138-140

From the basic relation among the EW parameters it was immediately possible to estimate the **order of magnitude of the mass of the weak bosons**, in the 80 GeV range  
(Antonelli, Maiani, 1981)

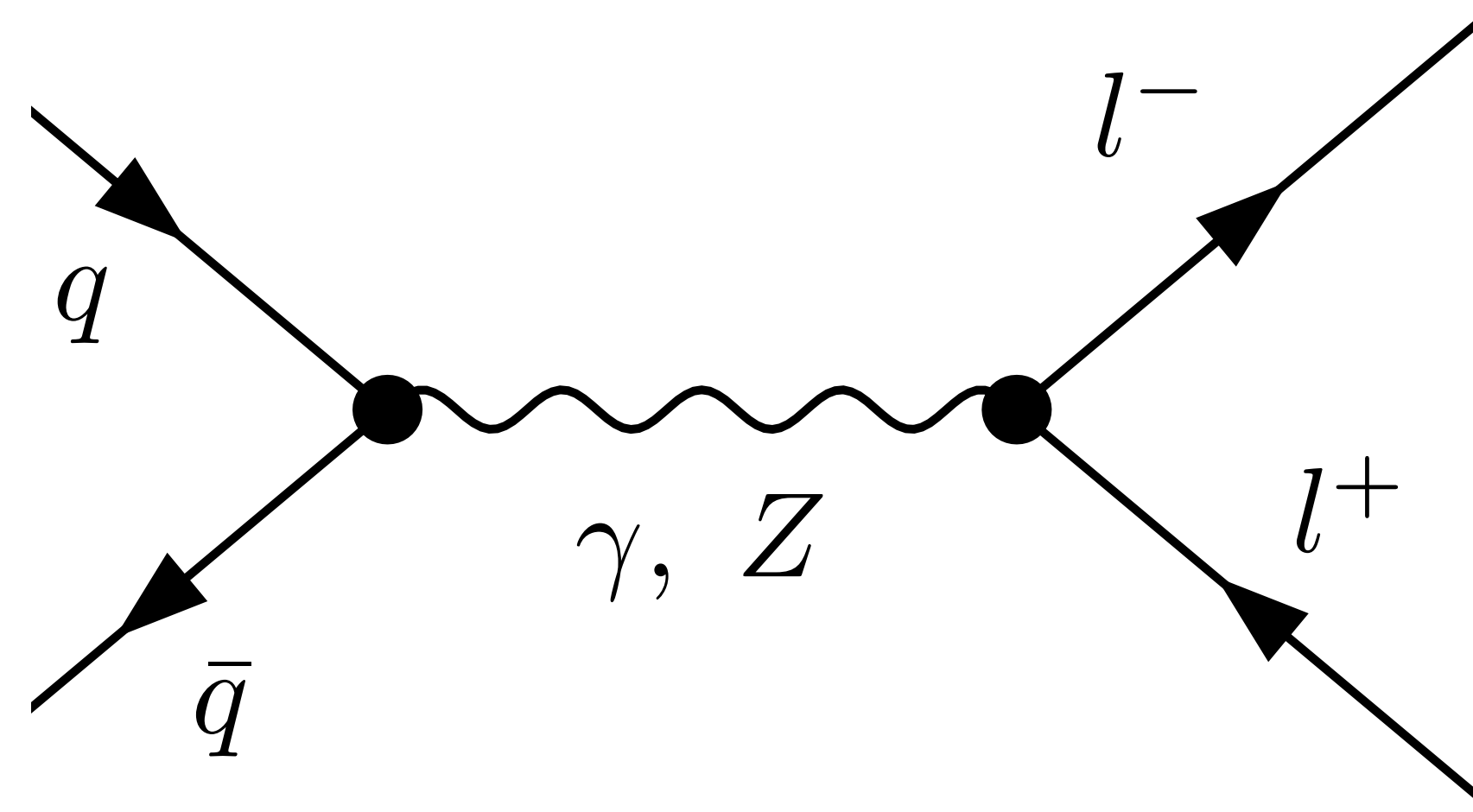
The discovery at the CERN SPPS of the W and Z bosons and the first determination of their masses allowed the planning of a new phase of **precision studies** accomplished with the construction of two  $e^+e^-$  colliders (SLC and LEP) running **at the Z resonance**

The precise determination of  $M_Z$  and of the couplings of the Z boson to fermions and in particular the value of the effective weak mixing angle allowed to establish a framework for a **test of the SM at the level of its quantum corrections**

**There is evidence of EW corrections beyond QED with  $26 \sigma$  significance!**

Full 1-loop and leading 2-loop radiative corrections are needed to describe the data  
(indirect evidence of bosonic quantum effects, hints on the  $m_t$  and  $m_H$  values)

# Scattering amplitudes and fundamental parameters



From the study of scattering processes we try to infer:

- the value of the masses of the intermediate particles ( from the resonances, when measurable )
- the nature of the interaction between gauge bosons and matter fields;  
scalar, pseudo-scalar, vector, axial-vector,...

We try to define observables with well defined properties under Lorentz and discrete symmetries

this information is then translated into the structure and value of the couplings of the fundamental theory

# The renormalisation of the SM and a framework for precision tests

- The Standard Model is a **renormalizable** gauge theory based on  $SU(3) \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$
- The EW gauge sector of the SM lagrangian is assigned specifying  $(g, g', v, \lambda)$  in terms of 4 measurable inputs
- More observables can be computed and expressed in terms of the input parameters, including the available radiative corrections, at any order in perturbation theory
- The validity of the SM can be tested comparing these predictions with the corresponding experimental results
- The input choice  $(g, g', v, \lambda) \leftrightarrow (\alpha, G_\mu, m_Z, m_H)$  **minimises the parametric uncertainty** of the predictions

$$\alpha(0) = 1/137.035999139(31)$$

$$G_\mu = 1.1663787(6) \times 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

$$m_Z = 91.1876(21) \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

$$m_H = 125.09(24) \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

- with these inputs,  $m_W$  and the **weak mixing angle** are **predictions** of the SM, to be tested against the experimental data

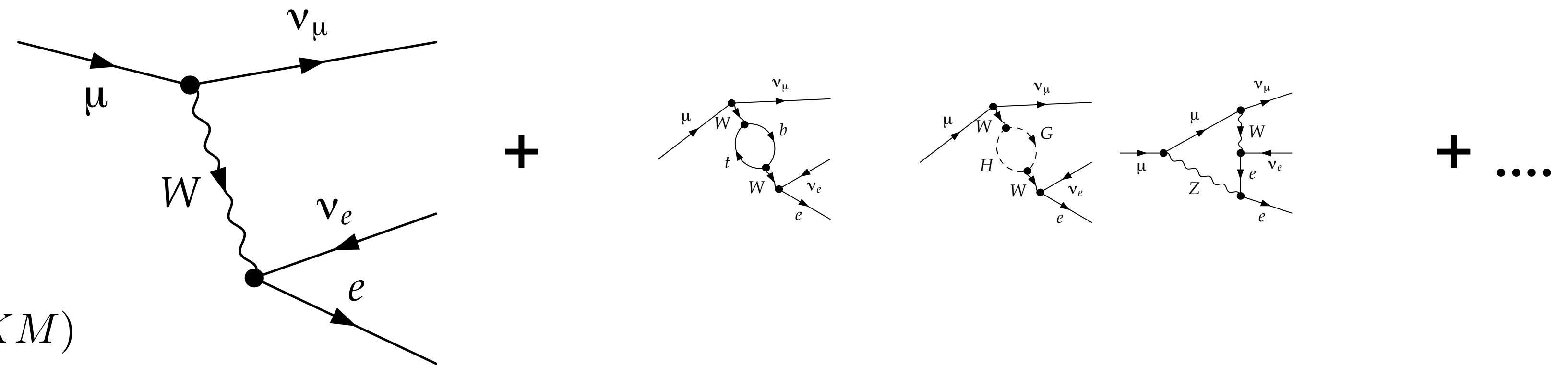


# The W boson mass: theoretical prediction

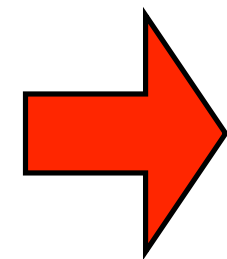
$$\mathcal{L}_{SM} = \mathcal{L}_{SM}(\alpha, G_\mu, m_Z; m_H; m_f; CKM)$$

→ we can compute  $m_W$

$$\frac{G_\mu}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{g^2}{8m_W^2} (1 + \Delta r)$$



$$\Delta r = \Delta r(\alpha, G_\mu, m_Z, m_H; m_f; CKM)$$



$$m_W^2 = \frac{m_Z^2}{2} \left( 1 + \sqrt{1 - \frac{4\pi\alpha}{G_\mu \sqrt{2} m_Z^2} (1 + \Delta r)} \right)$$



# The W boson mass: theoretical prediction

Sirlin, 1980, 1984; Marciano, Sirlin, 1980, 1981;  
 van der Bij, Veltman, 1984; Barbieri, Ciafaloni, Strumia 1993;  
 Djouadi, Verzegnassi 1987; Consoli, Hollik, Jegerlehner, 1989;  
 Chetyrkin, Kühn, Steinhauser, 1995;  
 Barbieri, Beccaria, Ciafaloni, Curci, Viceré, 1992, 1993; Fleischer, Tarasov, Jegerlehner, 1993;  
 Degrassi, Gambino, AV, 1996; Degrassi, Gambino, Sirlin, 1997;  
 Freitas, Hollik, Walter, Weiglein, 2000, 2003;  
 Awramik, Czakon, 2002; Awramik, Czakon, Onishchenko, Veretin, 2003; Onishchenko, Veretin, 2003

The best available prediction includes  
 the full 2-loop EW result, leading higher-order EW and QCD corrections,  
 resummation of reducible terms  
 Missing 3-loop and 4-loop terms needed to reduce the uncertainties.

$$m_W = w_0 + w_1 dH + w_2 dH^2 + w_3 dh + w_4 dt + w_5 dHdt + w_6 da_s + w_7 da^{(5)}$$

$$dt = [(M_t/173.34 \text{ GeV})^2 - 1]$$

$$da^{(5)} = [\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(m_Z^2)/0.02750 - 1]$$

$$dH = \ln\left(\frac{m_H}{125.15 \text{ GeV}}\right)$$

$$dh = [(m_H/125.15 \text{ GeV})^2 - 1].$$

$$da_s = \left(\frac{\alpha_s(m_Z)}{0.1184} - 1\right)$$

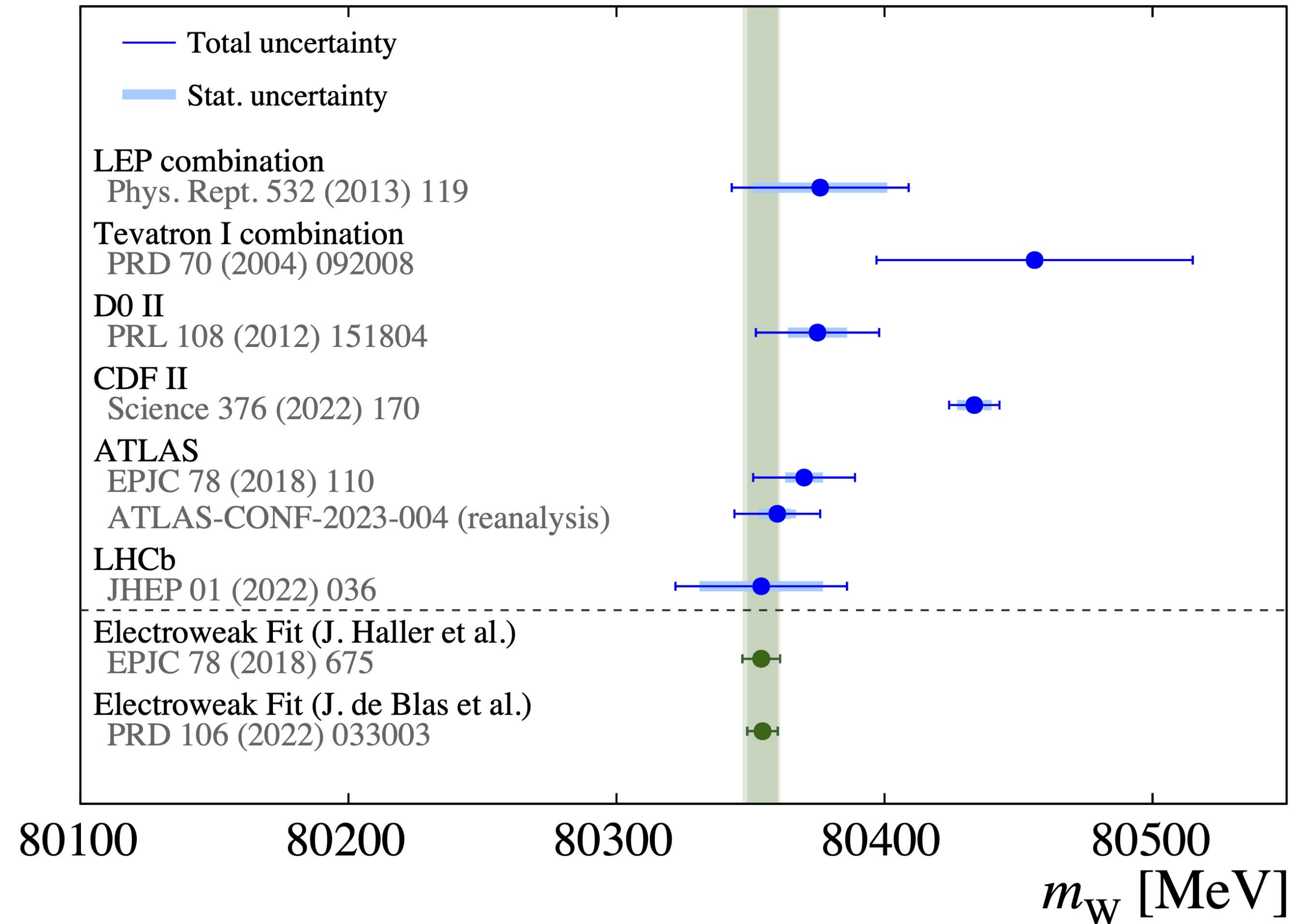
	$124.42 \leq m_H \leq 125.87 \text{ GeV}$	$50 \leq m_H \leq 450 \text{ GeV}$
$w_0$	80.35712	80.35714
$w_1$	-0.06017	-0.06094
$w_2$	0.0	-0.00971
$w_3$	0.0	0.00028
$w_4$	0.52749	0.52655
$w_5$	-0.00613	-0.00646
$w_6$	-0.08178	-0.08199
$w_7$	-0.50530	-0.50259

on-shell scheme  $m_W^{os} = 80.353 \pm 0.004 \text{ GeV}$  (Freitas, Hollik, Walter, Weiglein)

MSbar scheme.  $m_W^{\overline{MS}} = 80.351 \pm 0.003 \text{ GeV}$  (Degrassi, Gambino, Giardino)

parametric uncertainties  $\delta m_W^{par} = \pm 0.005 \text{ GeV}$  due to the  $(\alpha, G_\mu, m_Z, m_H, m_t)$  values

# Experimental determinations of the W boson mass



Are all the uncertainties, including the theoretical ones, properly included, for a determination at the  $O(10 \text{ MeV})$  level ?

## The weak mixing angle(s)

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- upon renormalisation, various definitions are possible, with sensitivity to different subsets of quantum corrections

- on-shell** definition:

Sirlin, 1980

$$\sin^2 \theta_{OS} = 1 - \frac{m_W^2}{m_Z^2} \quad \text{definition valid to all orders}$$

- MSbar** definition:

Marciano, Sirlin, 1980; Degrassi, Sirlin, 1991

$$\frac{G_\mu}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{g_0^2}{8m_{W,0}^2} \longrightarrow \hat{s}^2 \hat{c}^2 = \frac{\pi\alpha}{\sqrt{2}G_\mu m_Z^2 (1 - \Delta\hat{r})} \quad \hat{s}^2 \equiv \sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R = m_Z)$$

weak dependence on top-quark corrections

- the **effective leptonic weak mixing** angle enters in the definition of the effective Z-f-fbar vertex at the Z resonance ( $q^2 = m_Z^2$ ), when f is a lepton

$$\mathcal{M}_{Zf\bar{f}}^{\text{eff}} = \bar{u}_l \gamma_\alpha \left[ \mathcal{G}_v^f(m_Z^2) - \mathcal{G}_a^f(m_Z^2) \gamma_5 \right] v_l \varepsilon_Z^\alpha \quad 4|Q_f| \sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}^f = 1 - \frac{\mathcal{G}_v^f}{\mathcal{G}_a^f}$$

# The effective leptonic weak mixing angle: theoretical prediction

- parameterization of the full two-loop EW calculation + different sets of 3- and 4-loop corrections

I.Dubovyk, A.Freitas, J.Gluza, T.Riemann, J.Usovitsch, arXiv:1906.08815

$$\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}^f = s_0 + d_1 L_H + d_2 L_H^2 + d_3 L_H^4 + d_4 \Delta_\alpha + d_5 \Delta_t + d_6 \Delta_t^2 + d_7 \Delta_t L_H \\ + d_8 \Delta_{\alpha_s} + d_9 \Delta_{\alpha_s} \Delta_t + d_{10} \Delta_Z$$

$$L_H = \log \frac{M_H}{125.7 \text{ GeV}}, \quad \Delta_t = \left( \frac{m_t}{173.2 \text{ GeV}} \right)^2 - 1, \\ \Delta_{\alpha_s} = \frac{\alpha_s(M_Z)}{0.1184} - 1, \quad \Delta_\alpha = \frac{\Delta\alpha}{0.059} - 1, \quad \Delta_Z = \frac{M_Z}{91.1876 \text{ GeV}} - 1$$

Observable	$s_0$	$d_1$	$d_2$	$d_3$	$d_4$	$d_5$
$\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}^\ell \times 10^4$	2314.64	4.616	0.539	-0.0737	206	-25.71
$\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}^b \times 10^4$	2327.04	4.638	0.558	-0.0700	207	-9.554

Observable	$d_6$	$d_7$	$d_8$	$d_9$	$d_{10}$	max. dev.
$\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}^\ell \times 10^4$	4.00	0.288	3.88	-6.49	-6560	< 0.056
$\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}^b \times 10^4$	3.83	0.179	2.41	-8.24	-6630	< 0.025



# Comparison of different weak mixing angle determinations

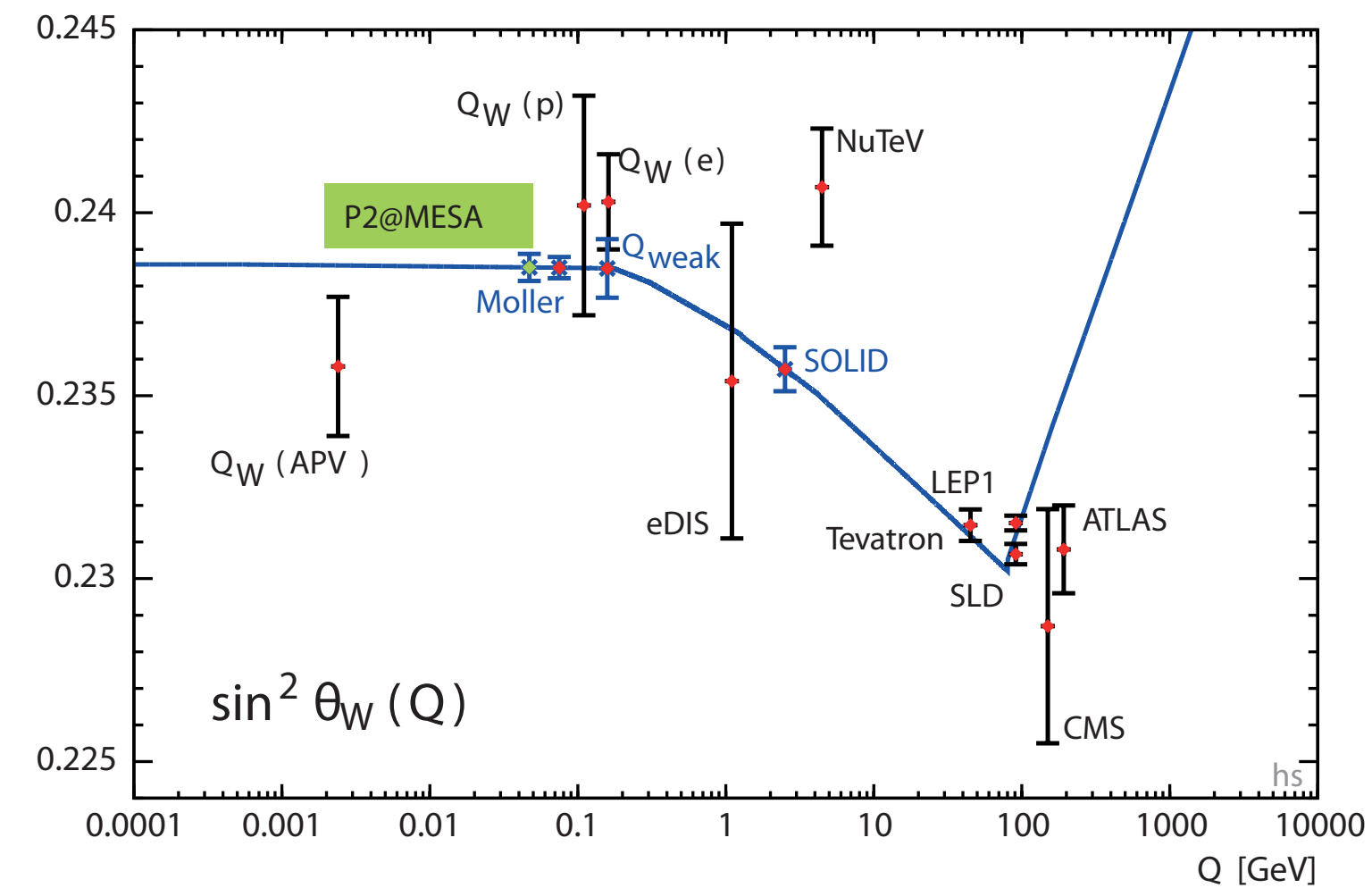
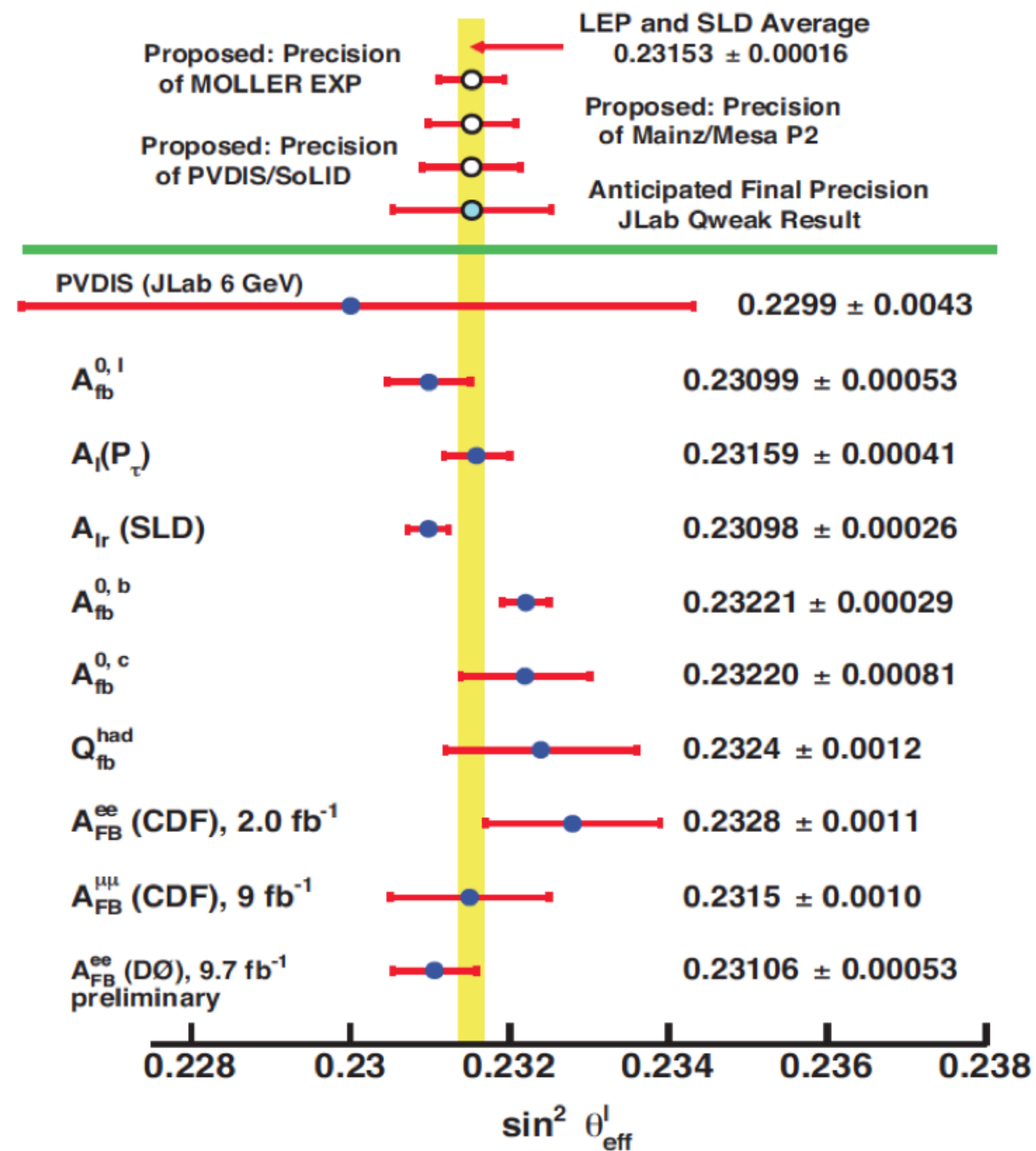
The **sensible comparison** of different determinations of  $\sin^2 \theta_W$  offers a test of the SM

→ LEP/SLD longstanding discrepancies might be clarified

e+e- and hadron colliders determinations are based on observables with different systematics

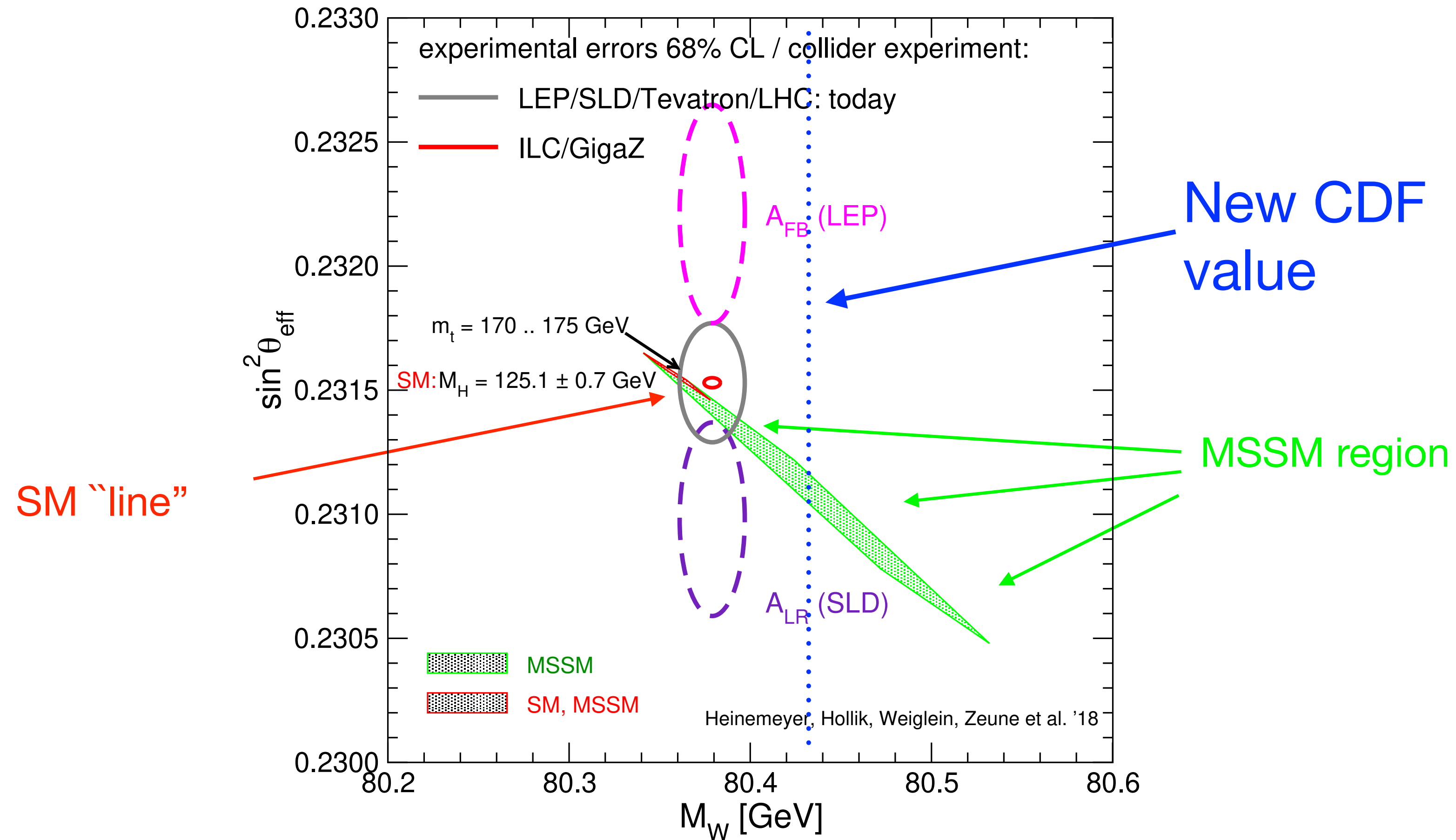
but also use different definitions to fit the data (**WARNING!**)

→ For a meaningful test, it is important to compare the **same** weak mixing angle. (cfr. different definitions)



# Relevance of a simultaneous study of $m_W$ and of the weak mixing angle

[S. Heinemeyer, W. Hollik, G. W., L. Zeune '18]

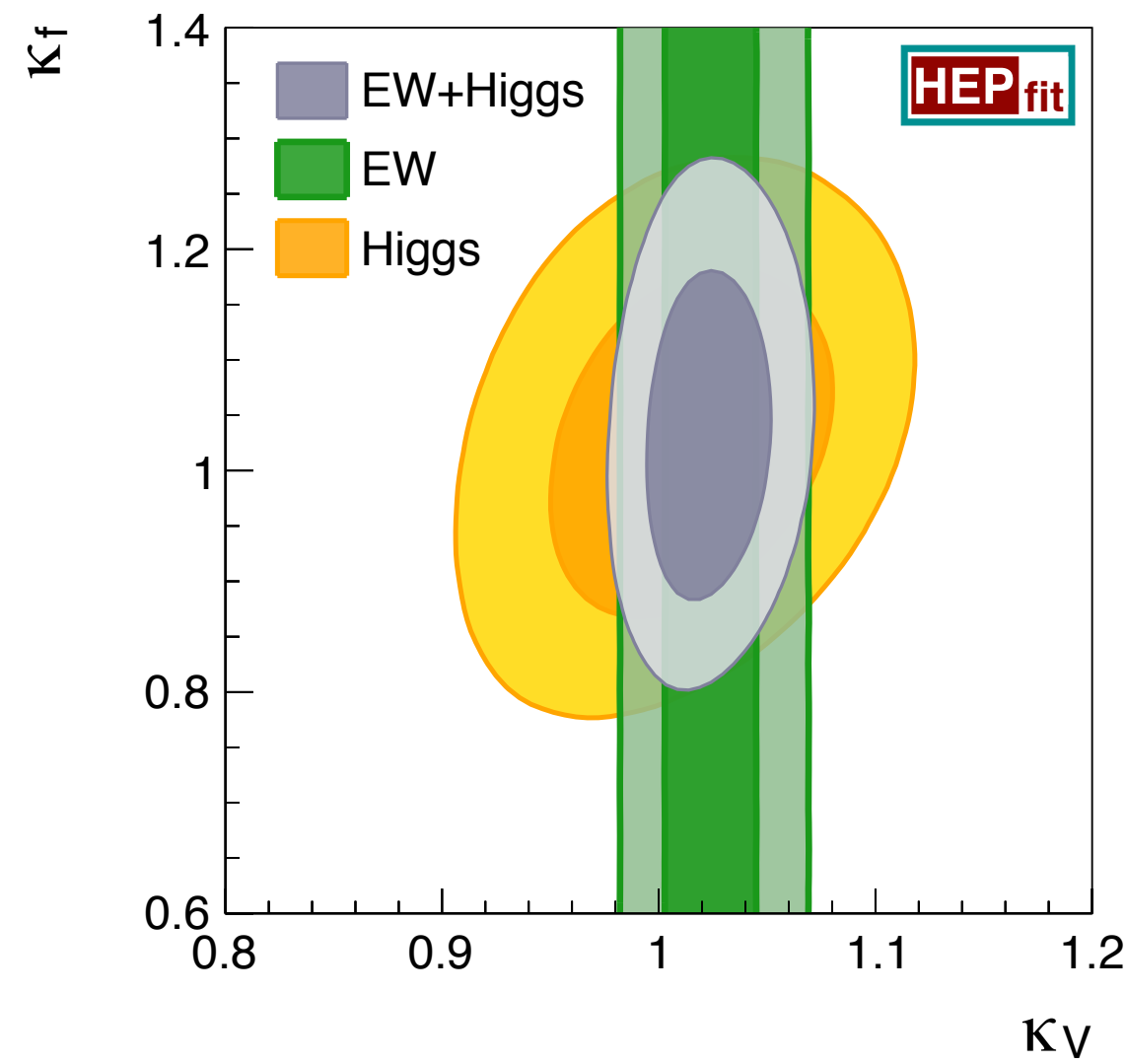


independent determination of these two parameters crucial for testing different New Physics alternatives



# Relevance of new high-precision measurement of EW parameters

de Blas et al, arXiv:1608.01509



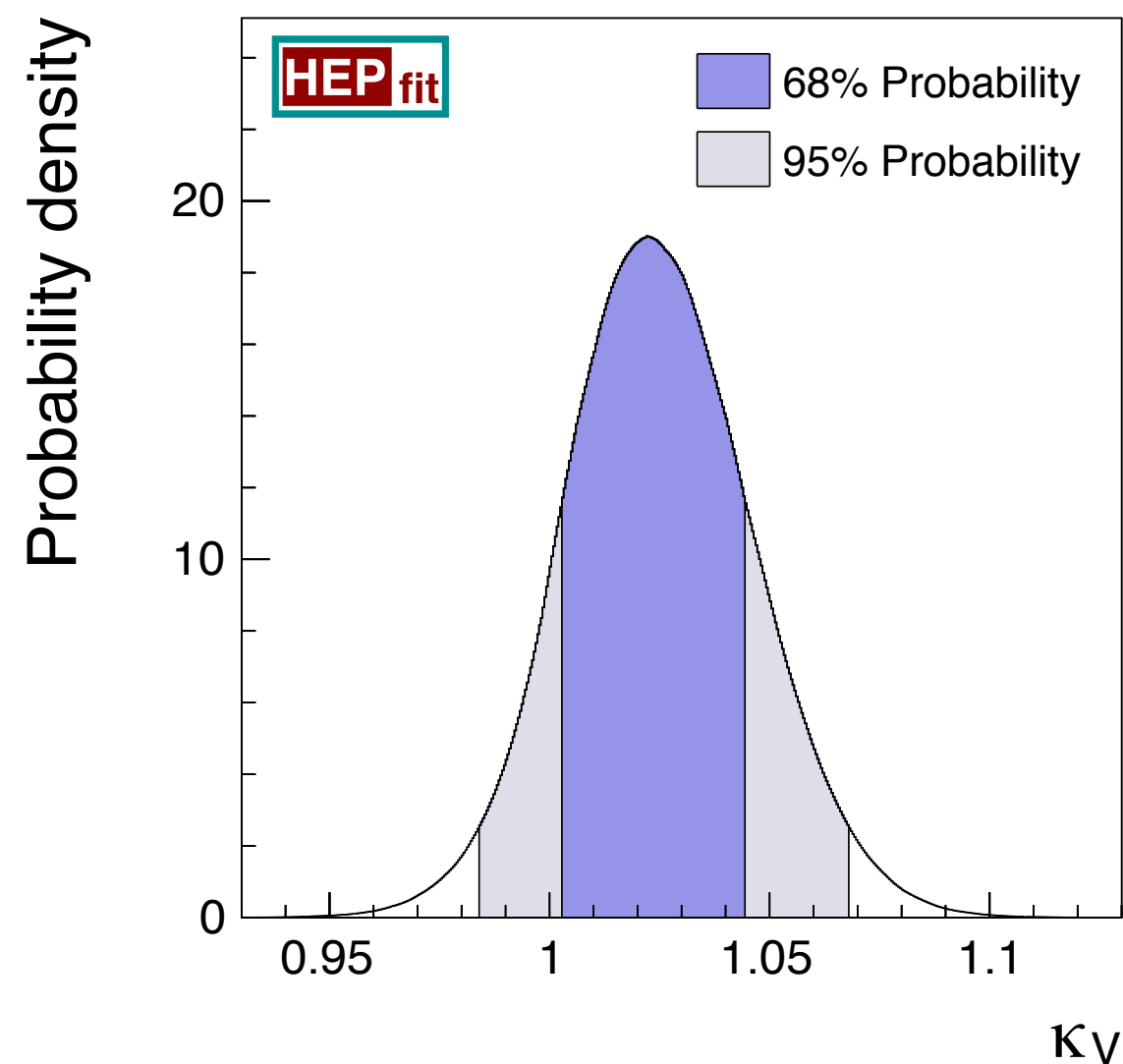
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Eff}} = \sum_{d=4}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\Lambda^{d-4}} \mathcal{L}_d = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \frac{1}{\Lambda} \mathcal{L}_5 + \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \mathcal{L}_6 + \dots$$

$$\mathcal{L}_d = \sum_i C_i^d \mathcal{O}_i \quad [\mathcal{O}_i] = d \longrightarrow \left(\frac{q}{\Lambda}\right)^{d-4}$$

$\Lambda$ : Cut-off of the EFT

Effects suppressed by  $q = v, E < \Lambda$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\phi WB} = \phi^\dagger \sigma_a \phi B^{\mu\nu} W_{\mu\nu}^a \xrightarrow{\text{EWSB}} \begin{cases} v^2 B^{\mu\nu} W_{\mu\nu}^3 & \text{gauge boson masses} \\ v h B^{\mu\nu} W_{\mu\nu}^3 & h \rightarrow ZZ, \gamma\gamma \end{cases}$$



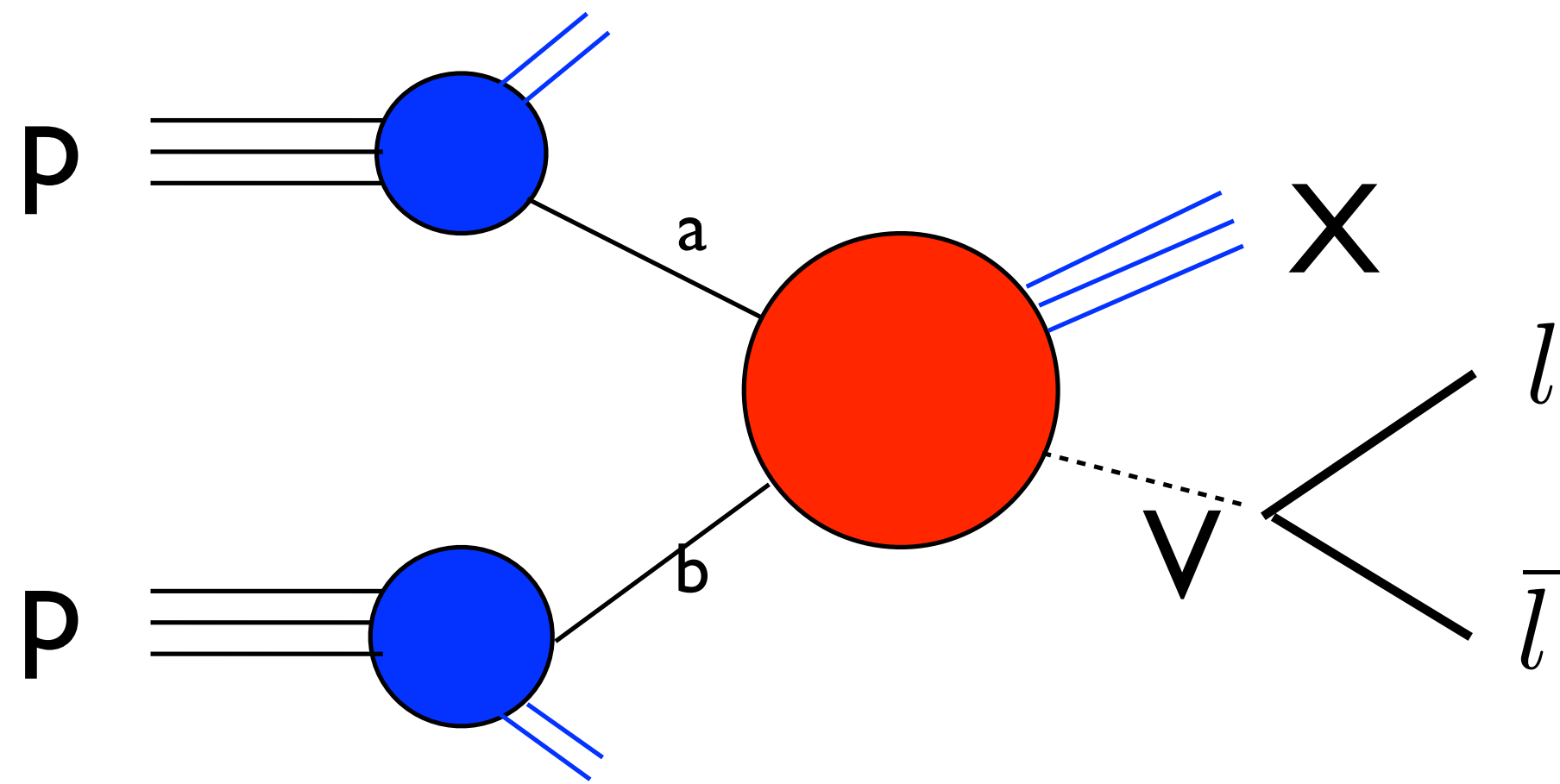
$$M_W^2 = M_Z^2 c^2 \left[ 1 - \frac{c^2}{c^2 - s^2} \left( \frac{1}{2} C_{\phi D} + 2 \frac{s}{c} C_{\phi WB} + \frac{s^2}{c^2} \Delta_{G_\mu} \right) \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \right]$$

A precise measurement of  $m_W$  and  $\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}$  constrains several dim-6 operators contributing to Higgs and gauge interaction vertices.

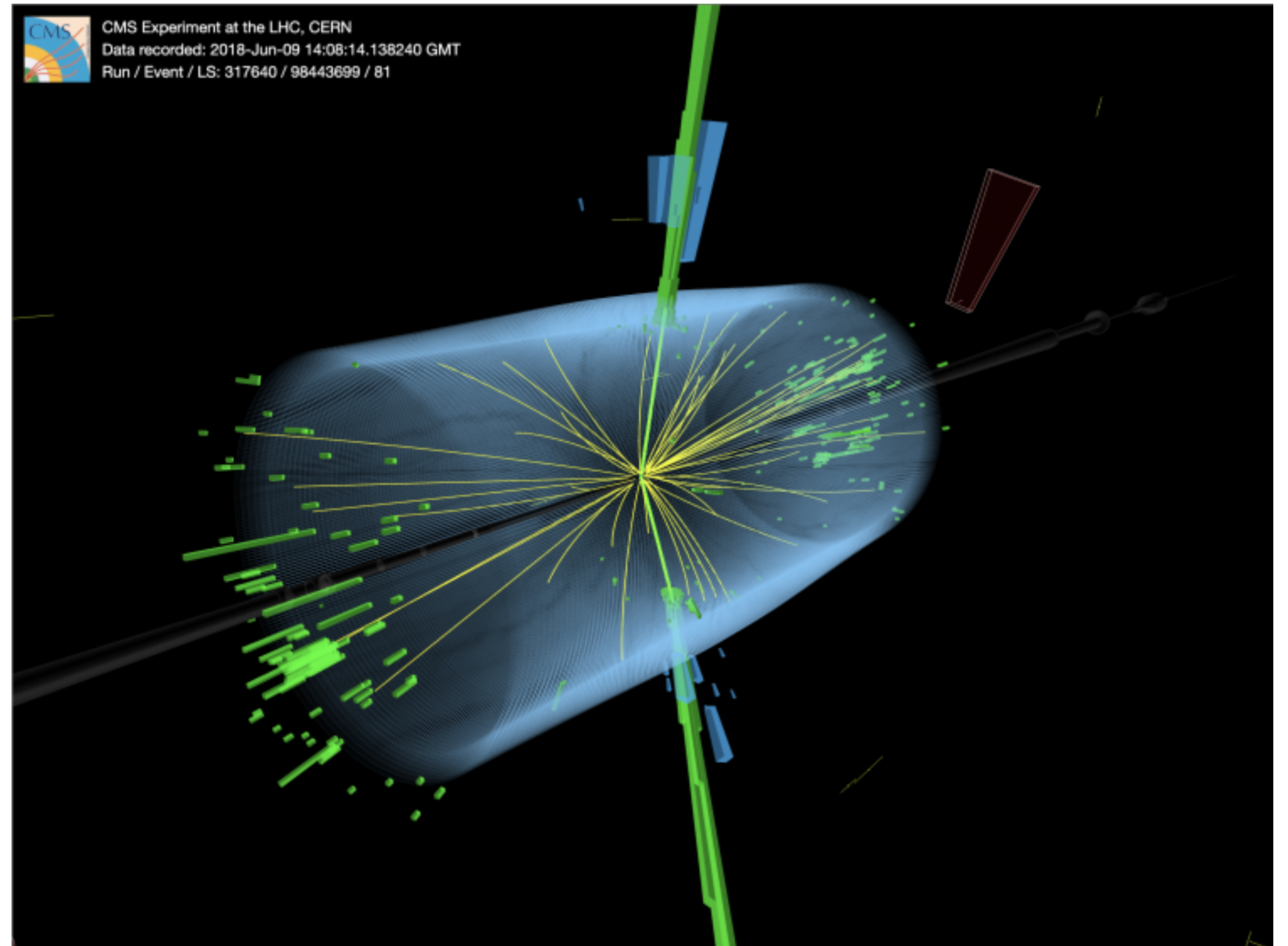
Today still one of the strongest constraints

# Physical processes, observables and parameter determination

# Lepton-pair Drell-Yan production at hadron colliders

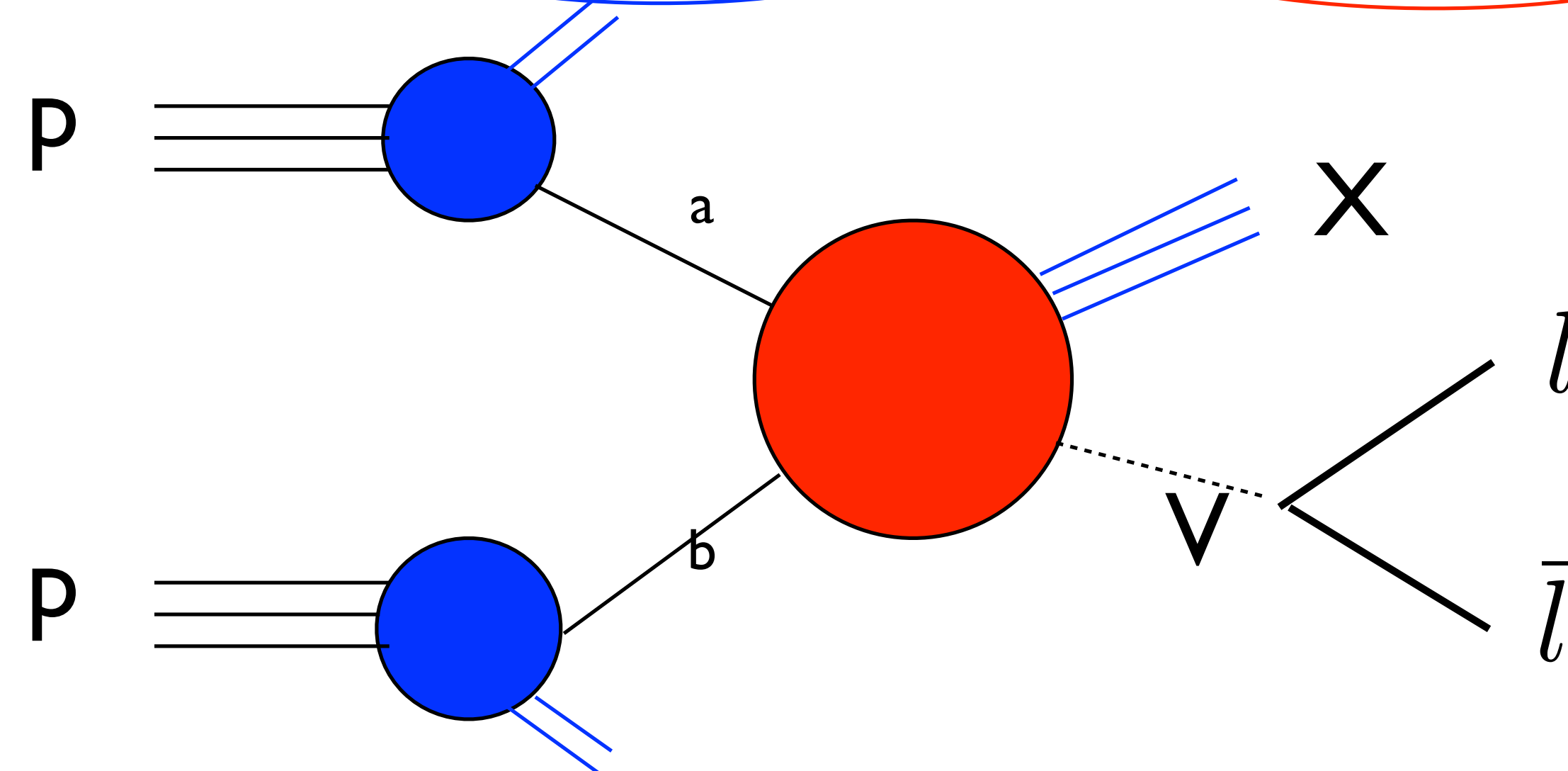


- Test of perturbative QCD
- Determination of the proton structure
- Discovery of W and Z bosons (1983)
- High-precision determination of W and Z properties
- Background to New Physics searches



# Lepton-pair Drell-Yan production at hadron colliders

$$\sigma(P_1, P_2; m_V) = \sum_{a,b} \int_0^1 dx_1 dx_2 f_{h_1,a}(x_1, M_F) f_{h_2,b}(x_2, M_F) \hat{\sigma}_{ab}(x_1 P_1, x_2 P_2, \alpha_s(\mu), M_F)$$



The factorisation theorems guarantee the validity of the above picture up to power correction effects

The interplay of QCD and EW interactions appears both in the partonic cross section and in the proton PDFs

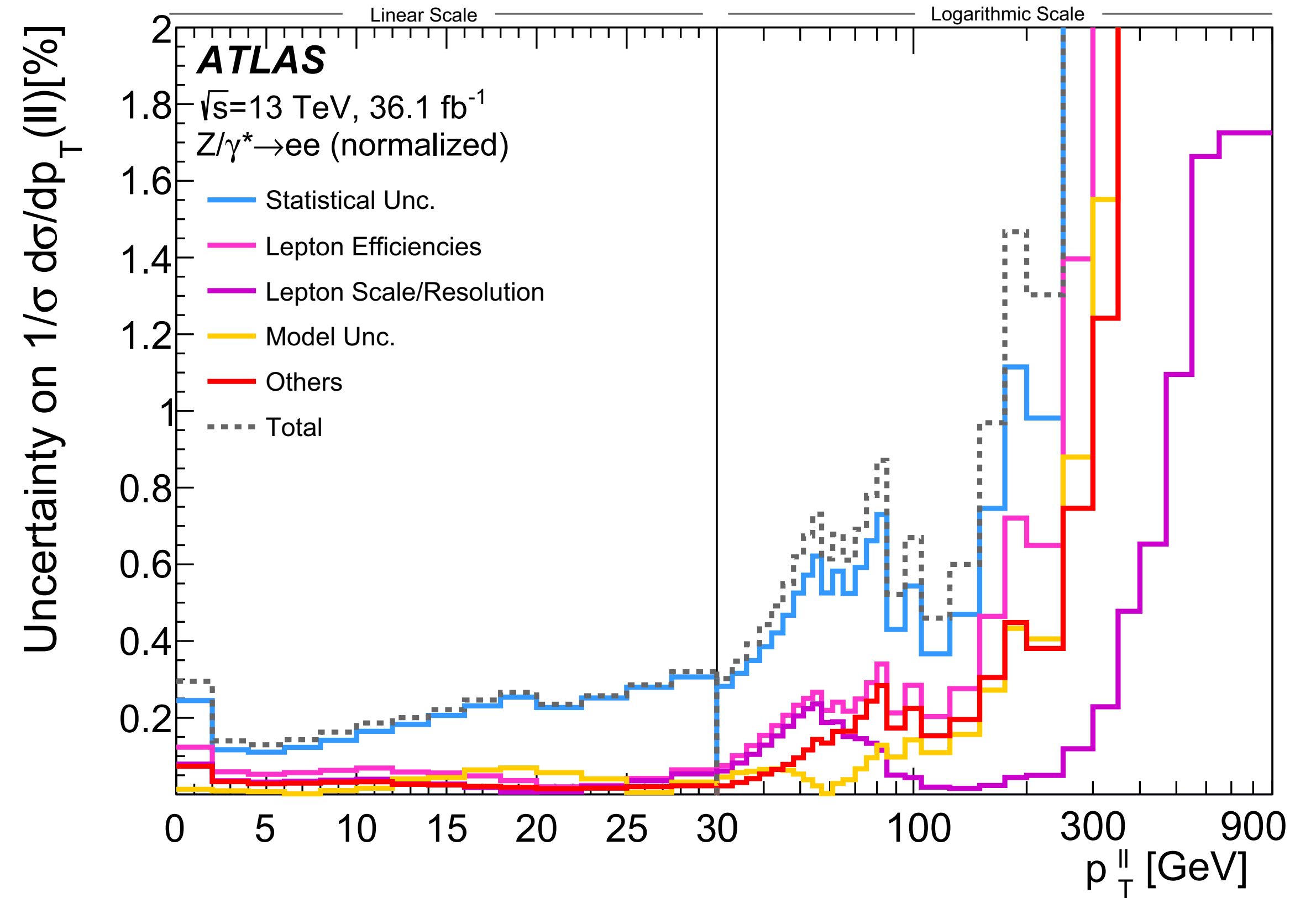
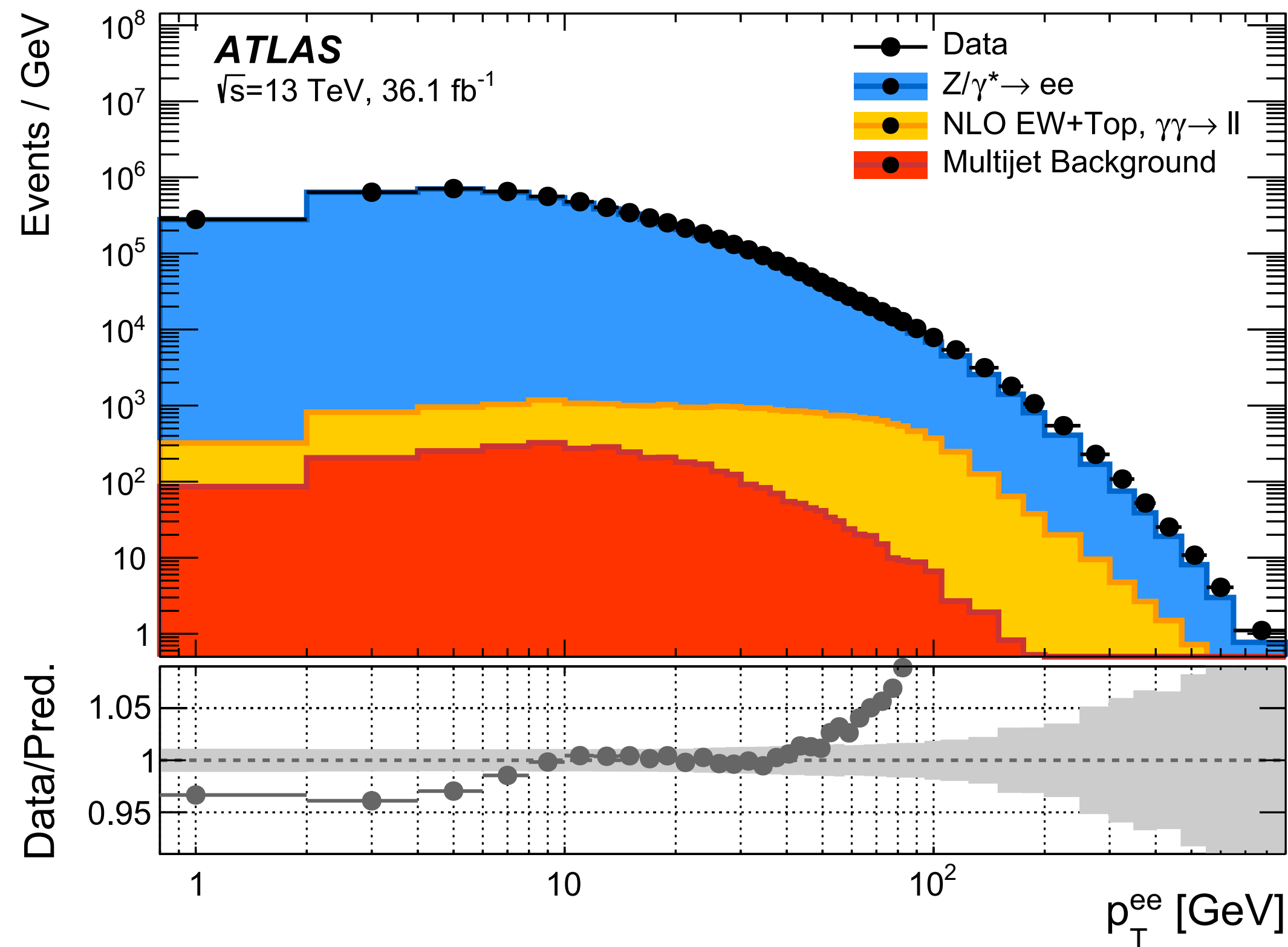
# Lepton-pair transverse momentum distribution

- A crucial role in QCD tests and precision EW measurements ( $m_W$  in particular) is played by the  $p_{\perp}^{\ell^+\ell^-}$  distribution
- The impressive experimental precision is a formidable test of the theory predictions, QCD in first place
- At per mille level higher-order QCD resummation matched with fixed order corrections

non-perturbative QCD effects and heavy quarks corrections

are relevant

EW corrections

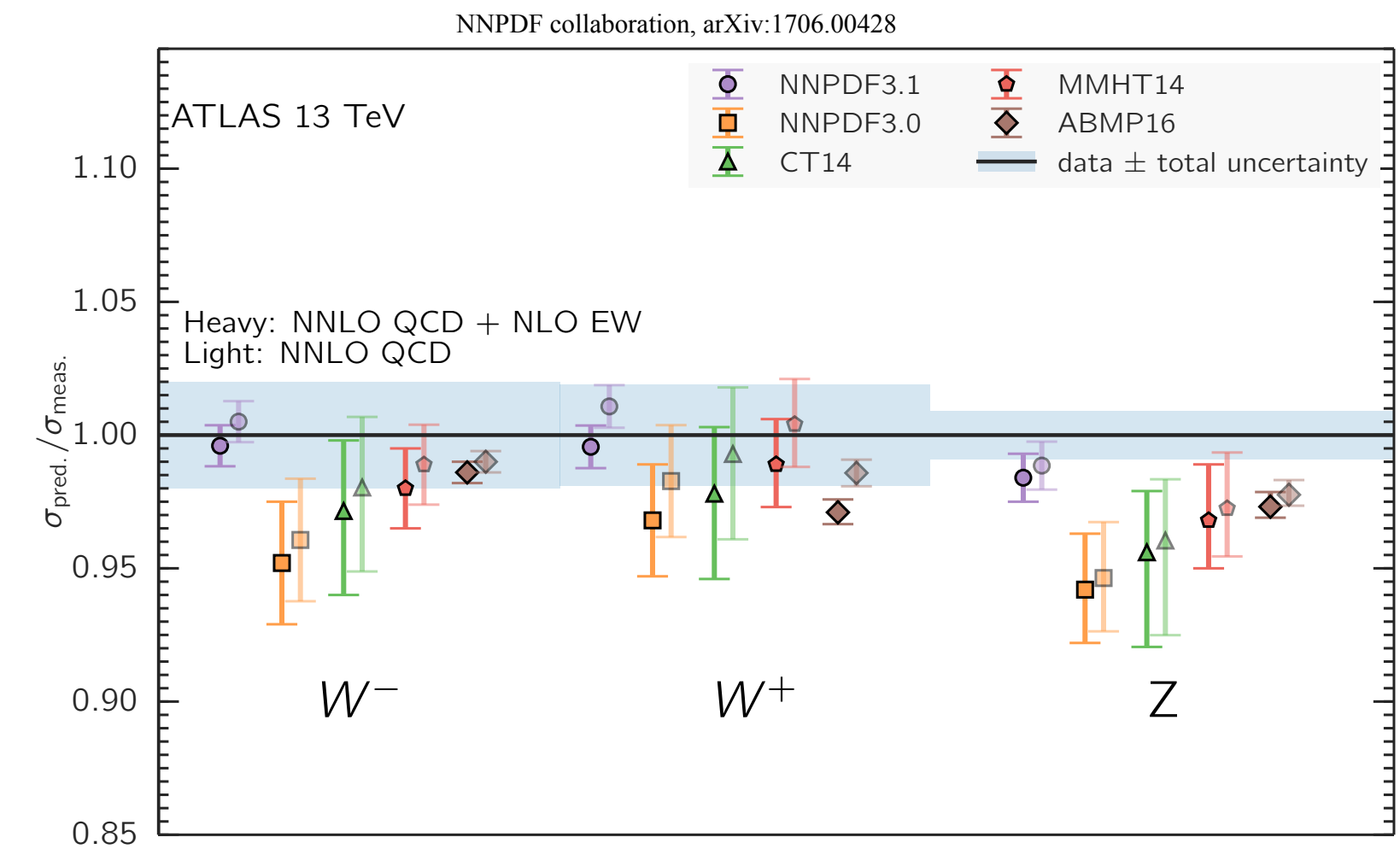
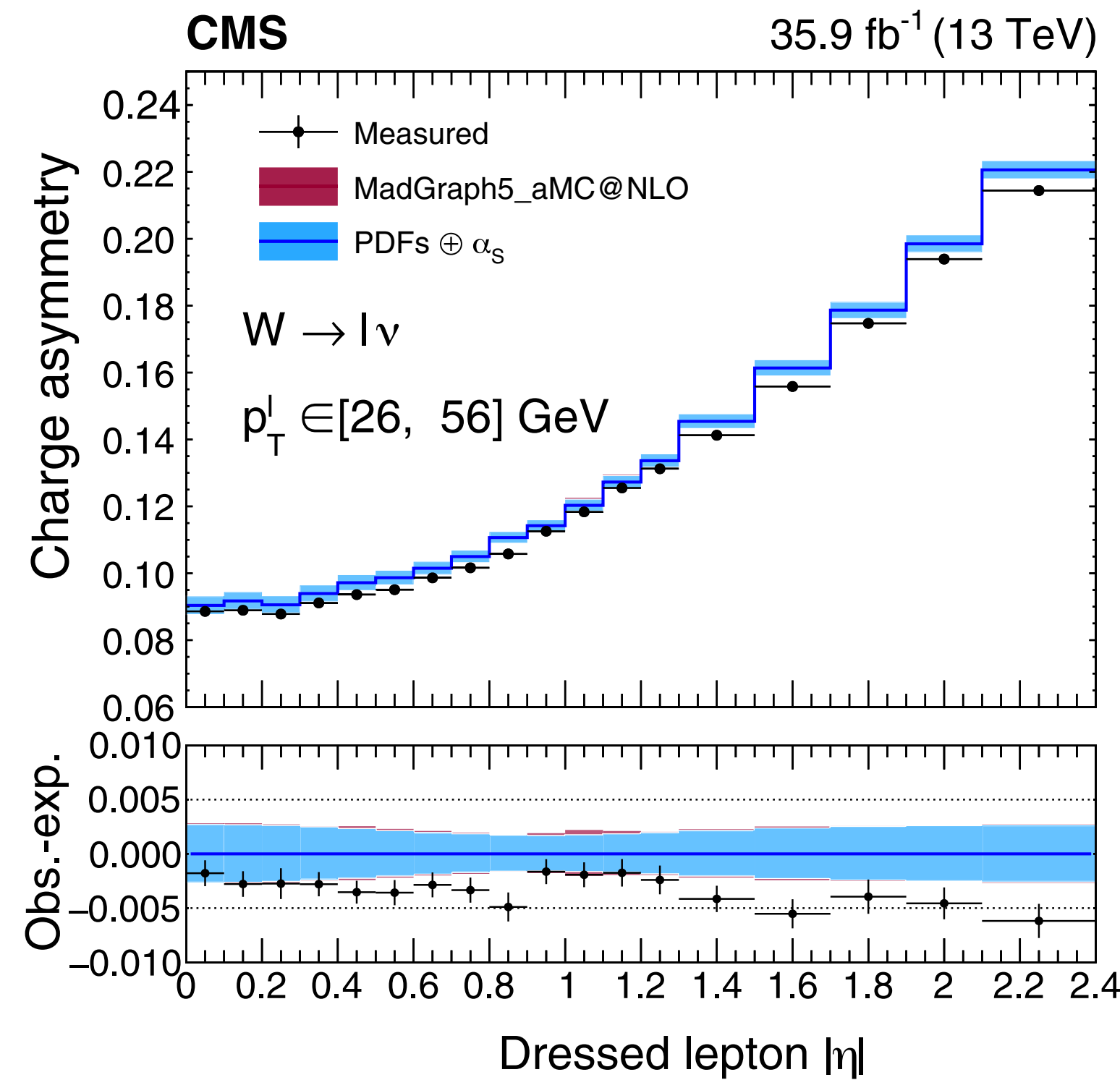
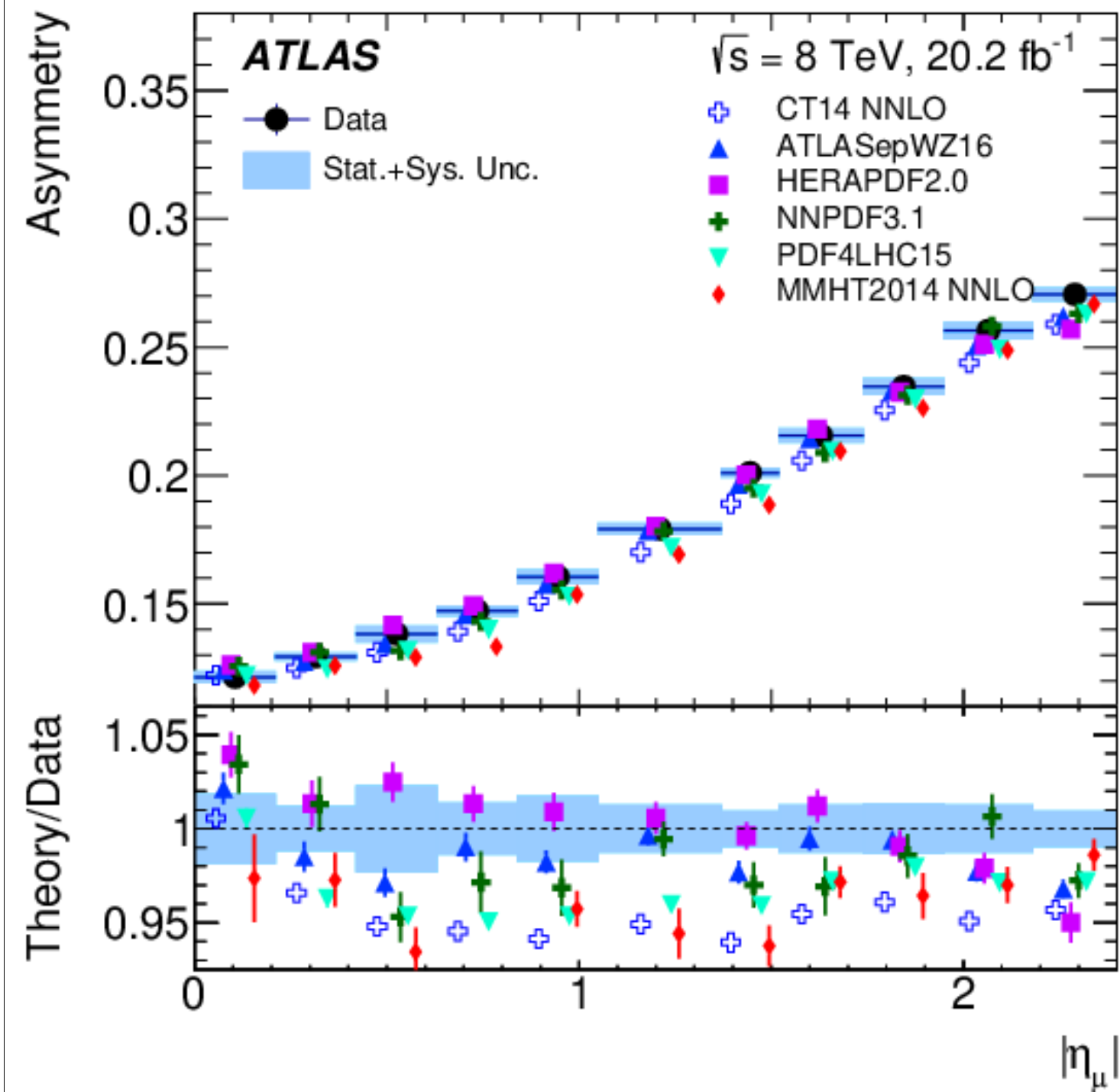


At CERN the EW WG has a subgroup scrutinising the predictions of this observable by different collaborations



# Charge asymmetry in charged-current Drell-Yan

- An important role in the **determination of proton structure** is played by the charge-asymmetry rapidity distribution
  - ▷ needed to improve the flavour separation
  - ▷ precise results at parton level for this quantity make its contribution to the PDF fit more significant
    - importance of NNLO and N3LO calculations
  - ▷ in a fiducial volume the rapidity and transverse momentum dependencies are connected by kinematics
    - impact on the  $m_W$  determination

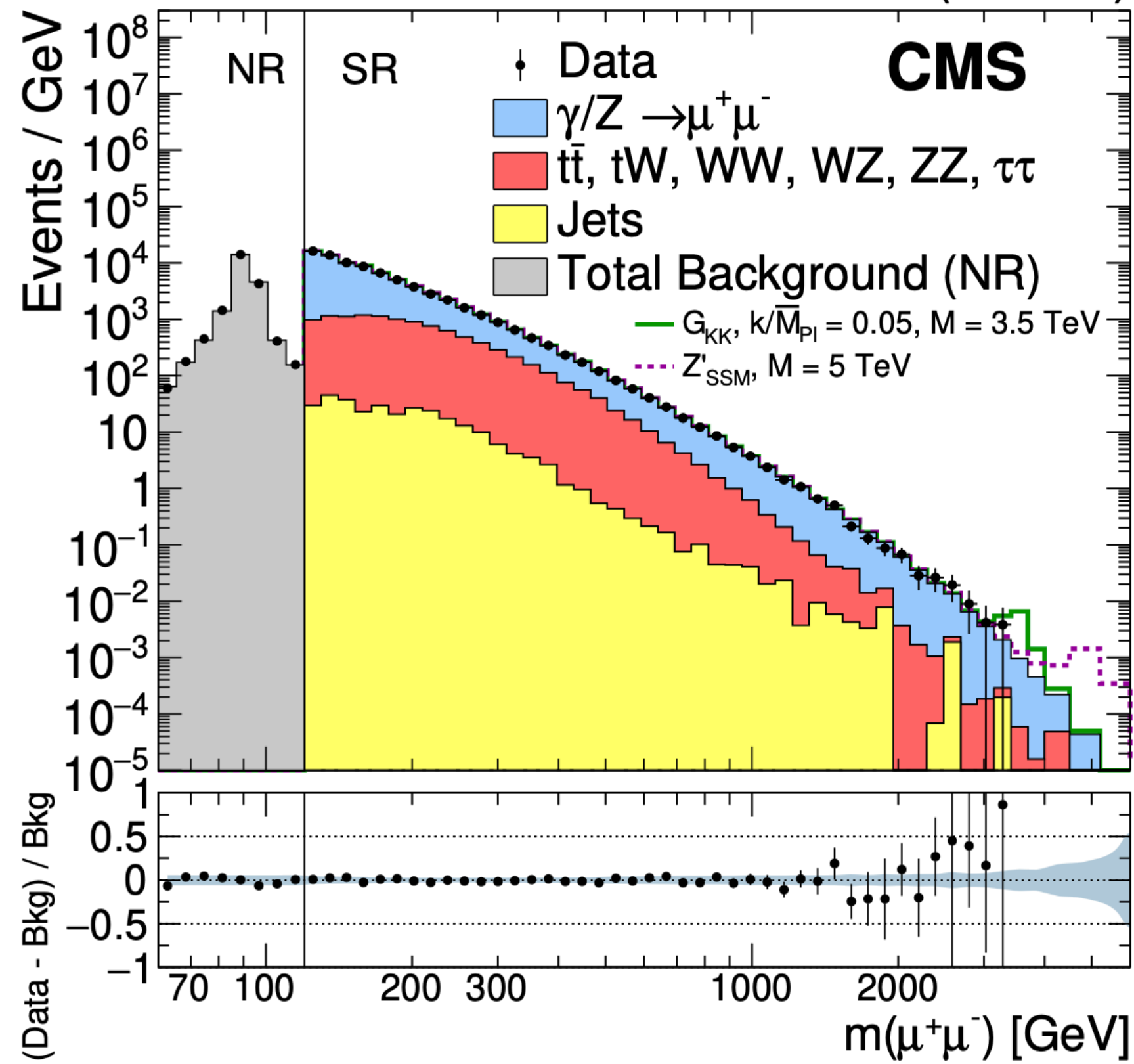


on-shell gauge boson production  
as a PDF benchmark

# Relevance of Neutral Current Drell-Yan measurements: searches for New Physics signals

arXiv:2103.02708

140 fb<sup>-1</sup> (13 TeV)



At the end of High-Luminosity LHC we will be able to test the TeV region with data at **per mille level** i.e. to test the SM at the level of its quantum corrections

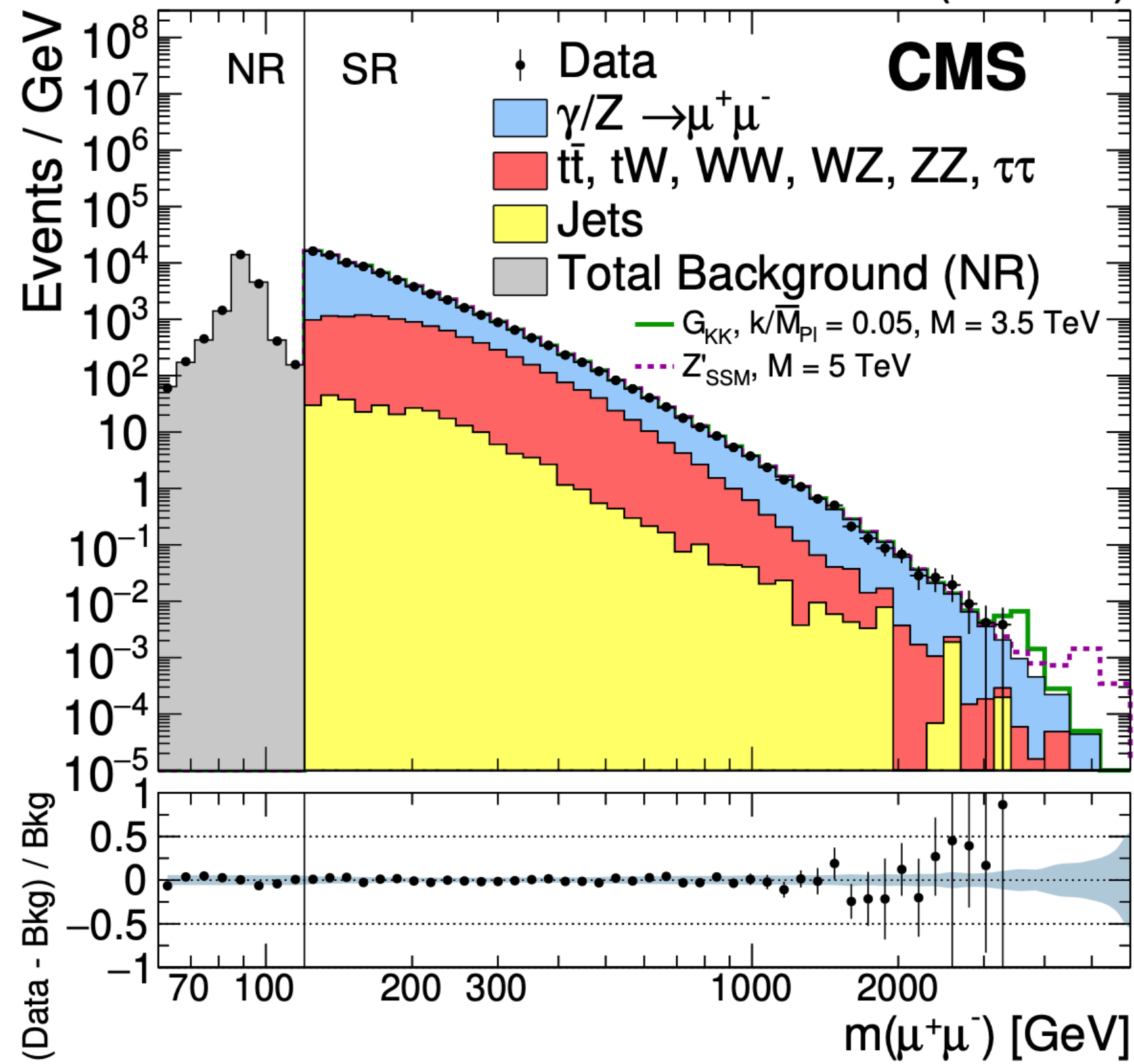
mass window [GeV]	stat. unc. 140fb <sup>-1</sup>	stat. unc. 3ab <sup>-1</sup>
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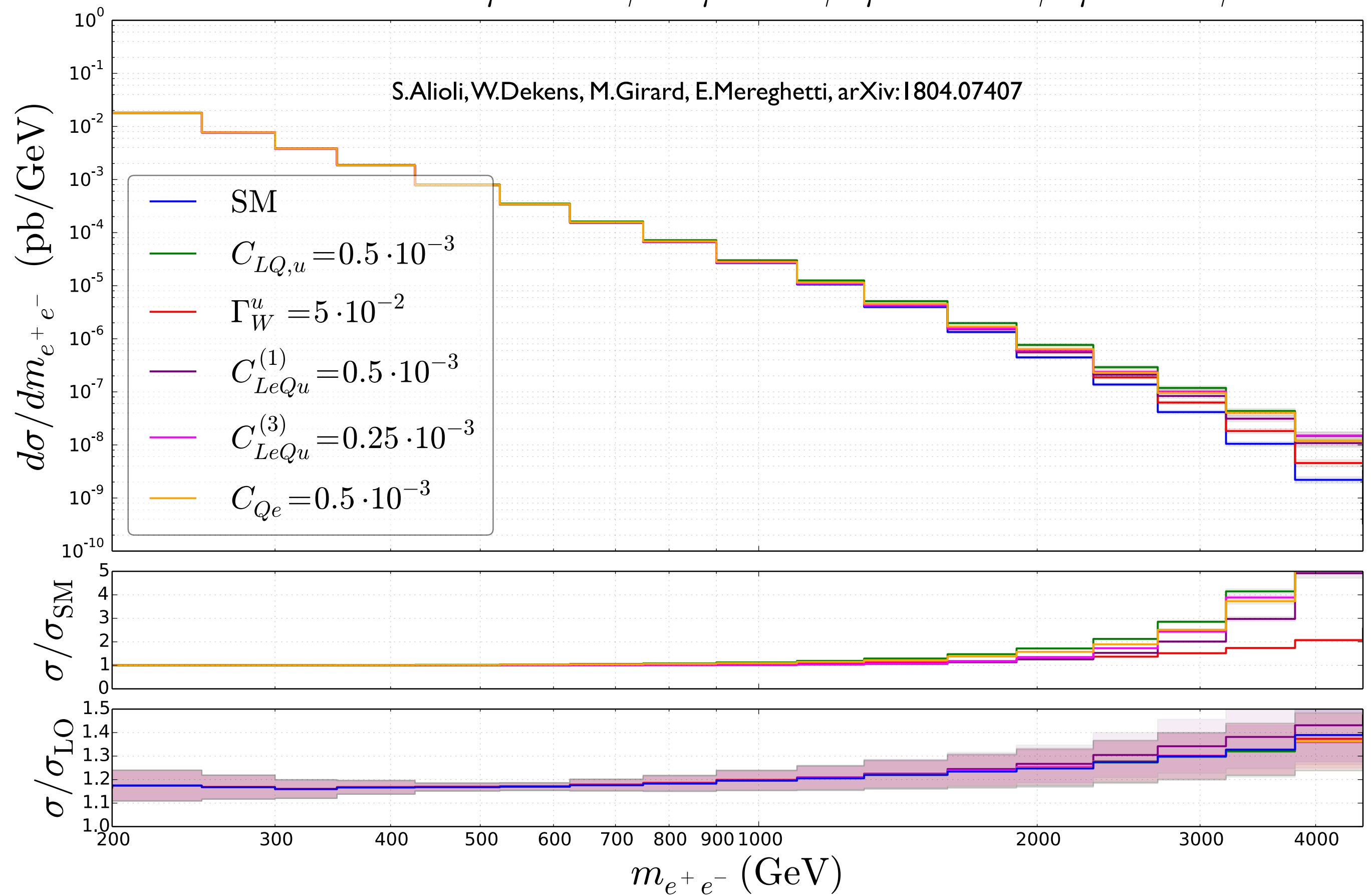
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$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{X^2\varphi^2} + \mathcal{L}_{\psi^2 X\varphi} + \mathcal{L}_{\psi^2\varphi^2 D} + \mathcal{L}_{\psi^2\varphi^3} + \mathcal{L}_{\psi^4}$$



A deviation from the SM prediction can point towards New Physics

Is the SM prediction under control at the O(0.5%) level in the TeV region of the  $m_{\ell\ell}$  distribution ?

# Neutral current Drell-Yan in a fixed-order expansion

$$\sigma(h_1 h_2 \rightarrow \ell \bar{\ell} + X) = \sigma^{(0,0)} + \alpha_s \sigma^{(1,0)} + \alpha \sigma^{(0,1)} + \alpha_s^2 \sigma^{(2,0)} + \alpha \alpha_s \sigma^{(1,1)} + \alpha^2 \sigma^{(0,2)} + \alpha_s^3 \sigma^{(3,0)} + \dots$$

Drell-Yan (1970)

Baur, Brein, Hollik, Schappacher, Wackerroth (2001)

Altarelli, Ellis, Martinelli (1979)

Hamberg, Matsuura, van Nerveen, (1991)  
 Anastasiou, Dixon, Melnikov, Petriello, (2003)  
 Catani, Cieri, Ferrera, de Florian, Grazzini (2009)

C.Duhr, B.Mistlberger, arXiv:2111.10379

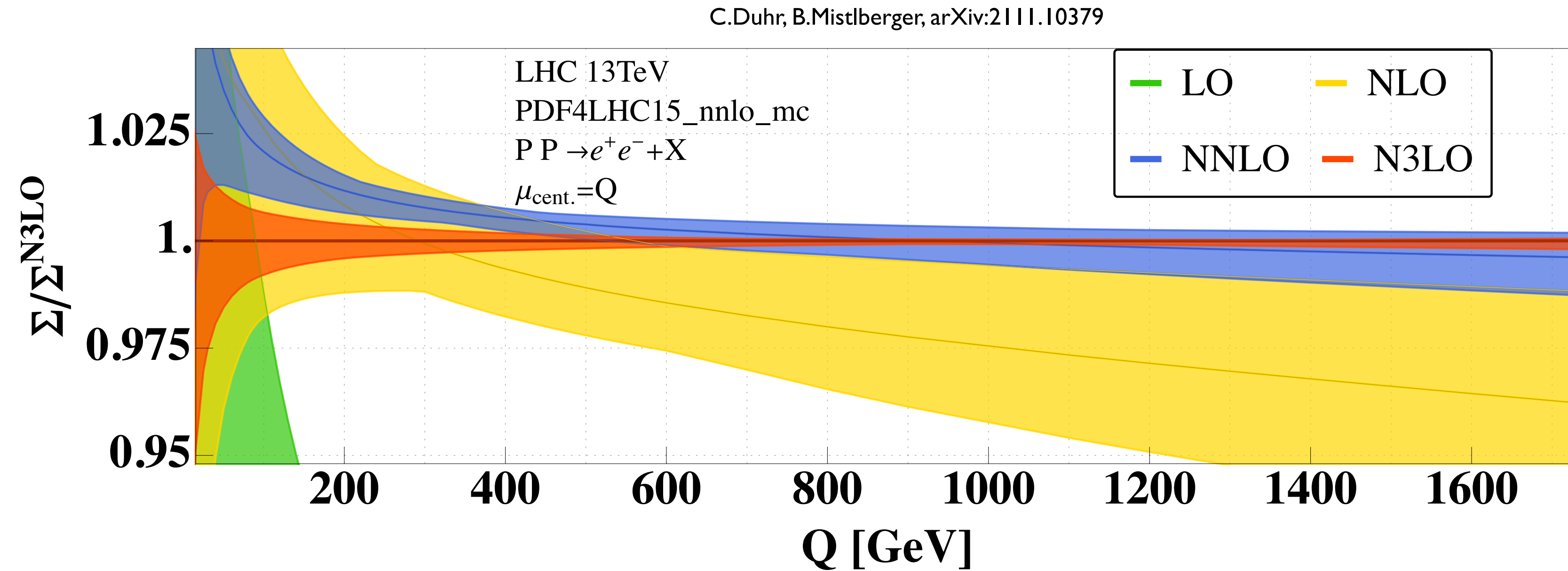
still missing  
 Sudakov high-energy approximations

R.Bonciani, L.Buonocore, M.Grazzini, S.Kallweit, N.Rana, F.Tramontano, AV, (2021)

T.Armadillo, R.Bonciani, S.Devoto, N.Rana, AV, (2022)

F.Buccioni, F.Caola, H.Chawdhry, F.Devoto, M.Heller, A.von Manteuffel, K.Melnikov, R.Röntsch, C.Signorile-Signorile, (2022)

# Progress in the QCD calculations and simulations: lepton-pair invariant mass



Thanks to the N3LO-QCD results for the Drell-Yan cross section, scale variation band at the few per mille level at any Q

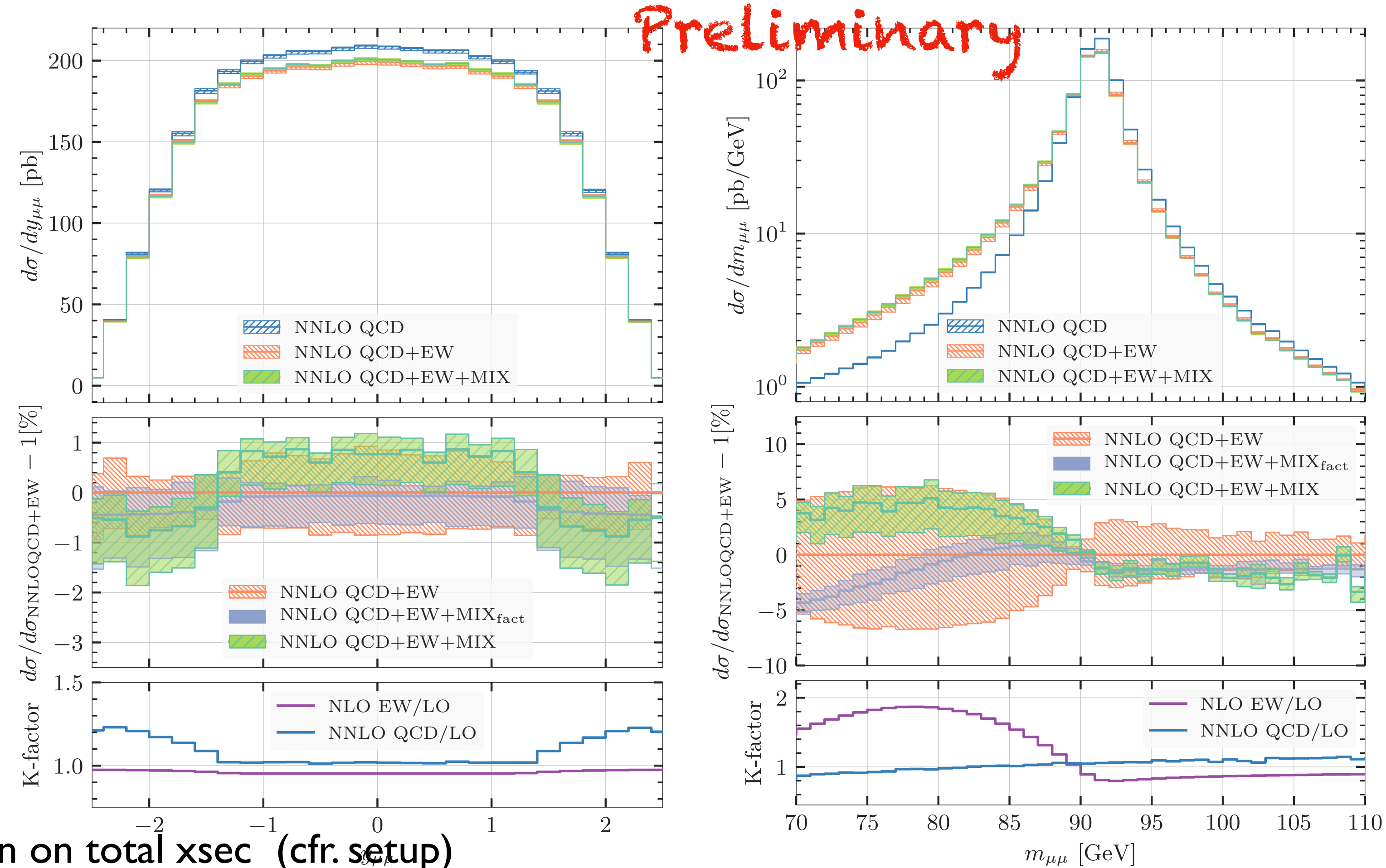
The PDFs are not yet at N3LO

This is promising, in view of the program of searches for deviation from the SM in the TeV range

What about NNLO QCD-EW and NNLO-EW corrections ?

# Phenomenology of Neutral Current Drell-Yan including exact NNLO QCD-EW corrections

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Sub-percent correction on total xsec (cfr. setup)

Non-trivial distortion of the rapidity distribution (absent in the naive factorised approximation)

Large effects below the Z resonance (the factorised approximation fails) → impact on the  $\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}$  determination

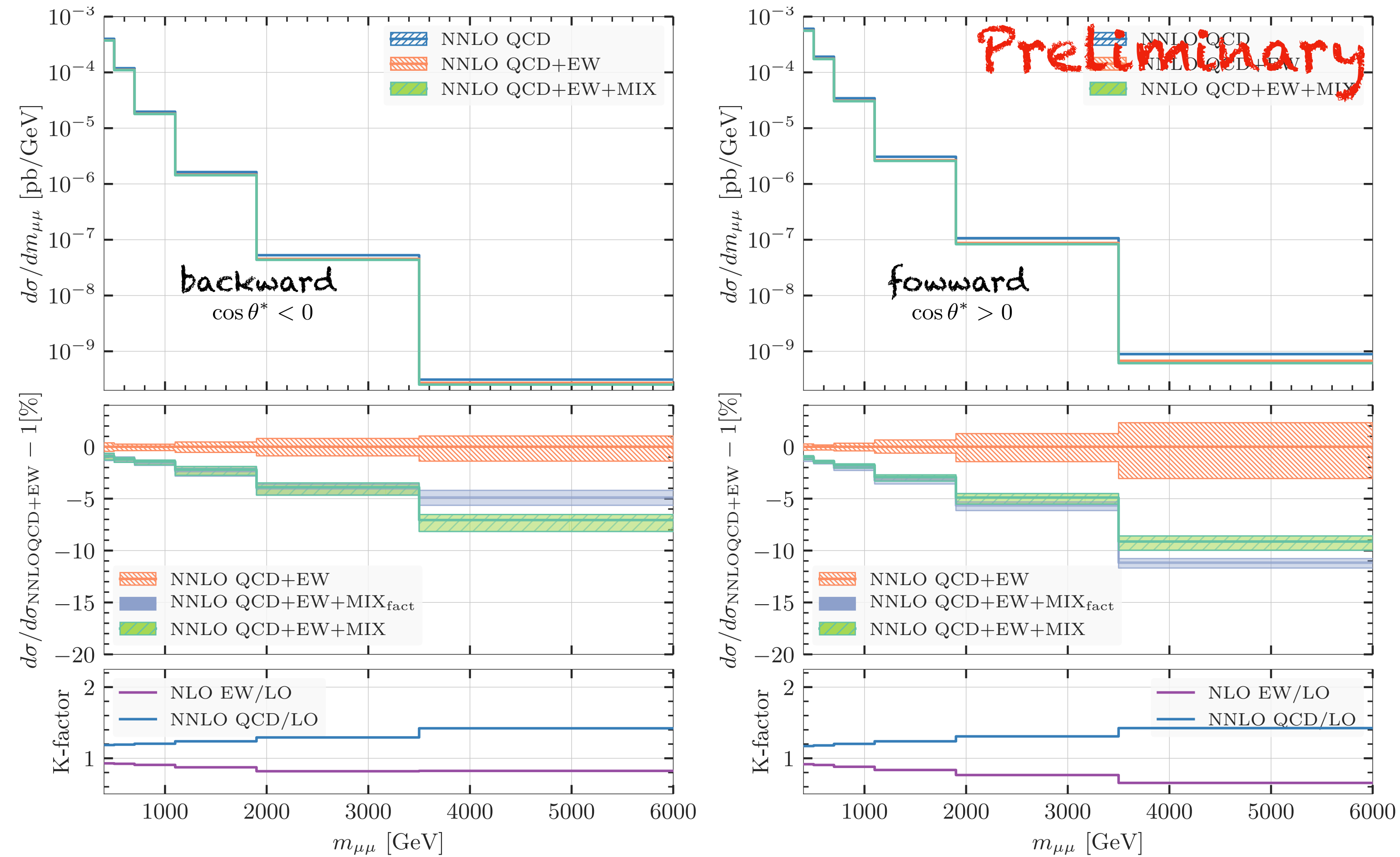
O(-1.5%) effects above the resonance

→ ongoing precision studies in the CERN EW WG



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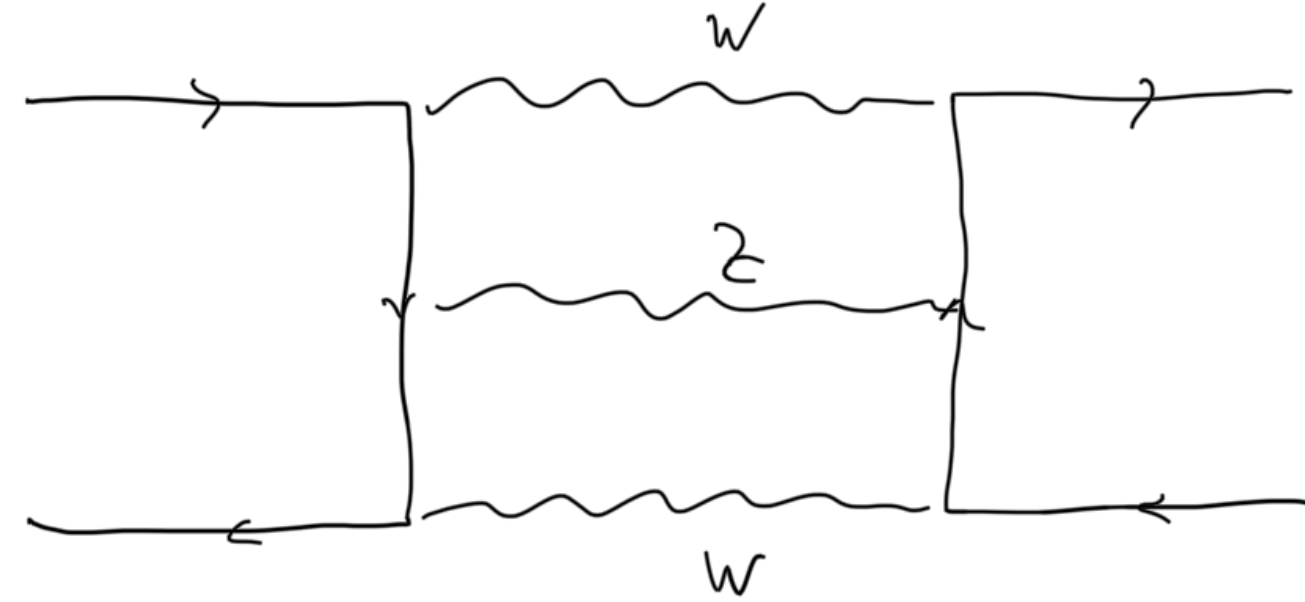
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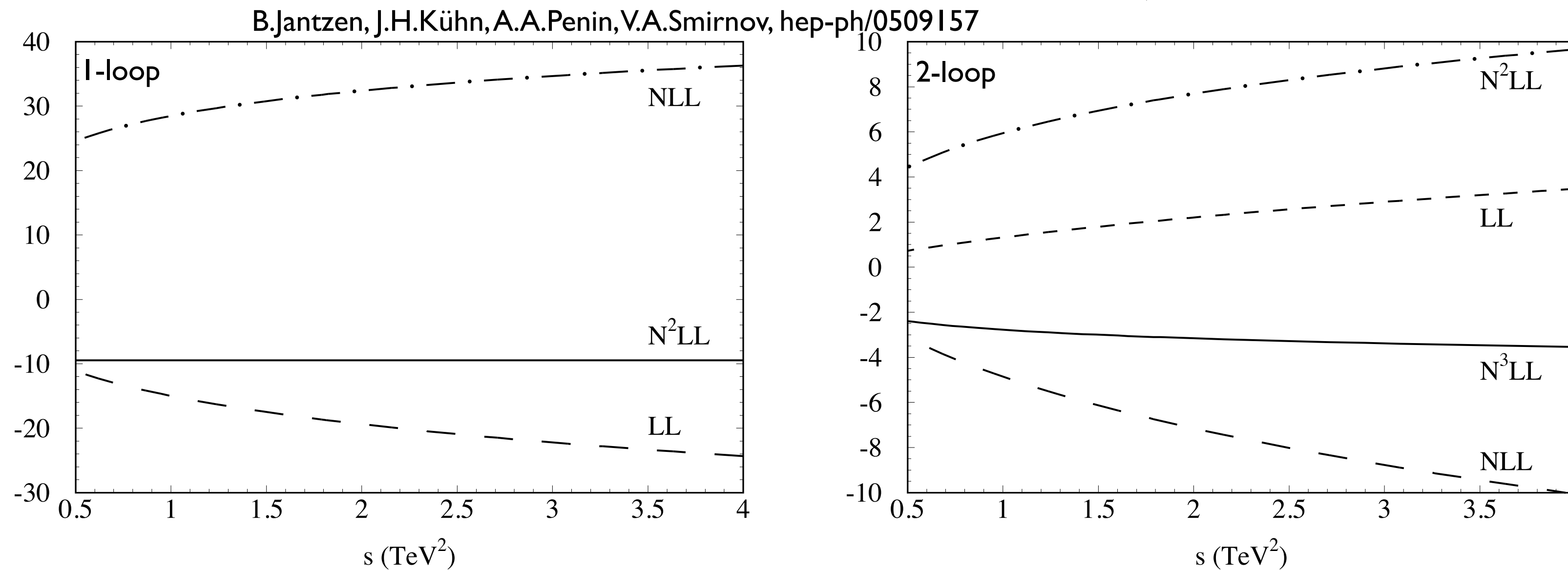
Negative mixed NNLO QCD-EW effects (-3% or more) at large invariant masses,  
absent in any additive combination → impact on the searches for new physics

# Need for a full NNLO-EW calculation to reduce the uncertainties to sub-percent level

The NNLO-EW corrections to scattering processes are still today one of the frontiers in QFT



The NNLO-EW corrections could modify in a non-trivial way the large-mass/momentum tails of the distributions  
 Large logarithmic corrections (EW Sudakov logs) appear in the virtual corrections  
 At two-loop level, we have up to the fourth power of  $\log(s/m_V^2)$ ,



corrections to  $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}$   
 due to EW Sudakov logs

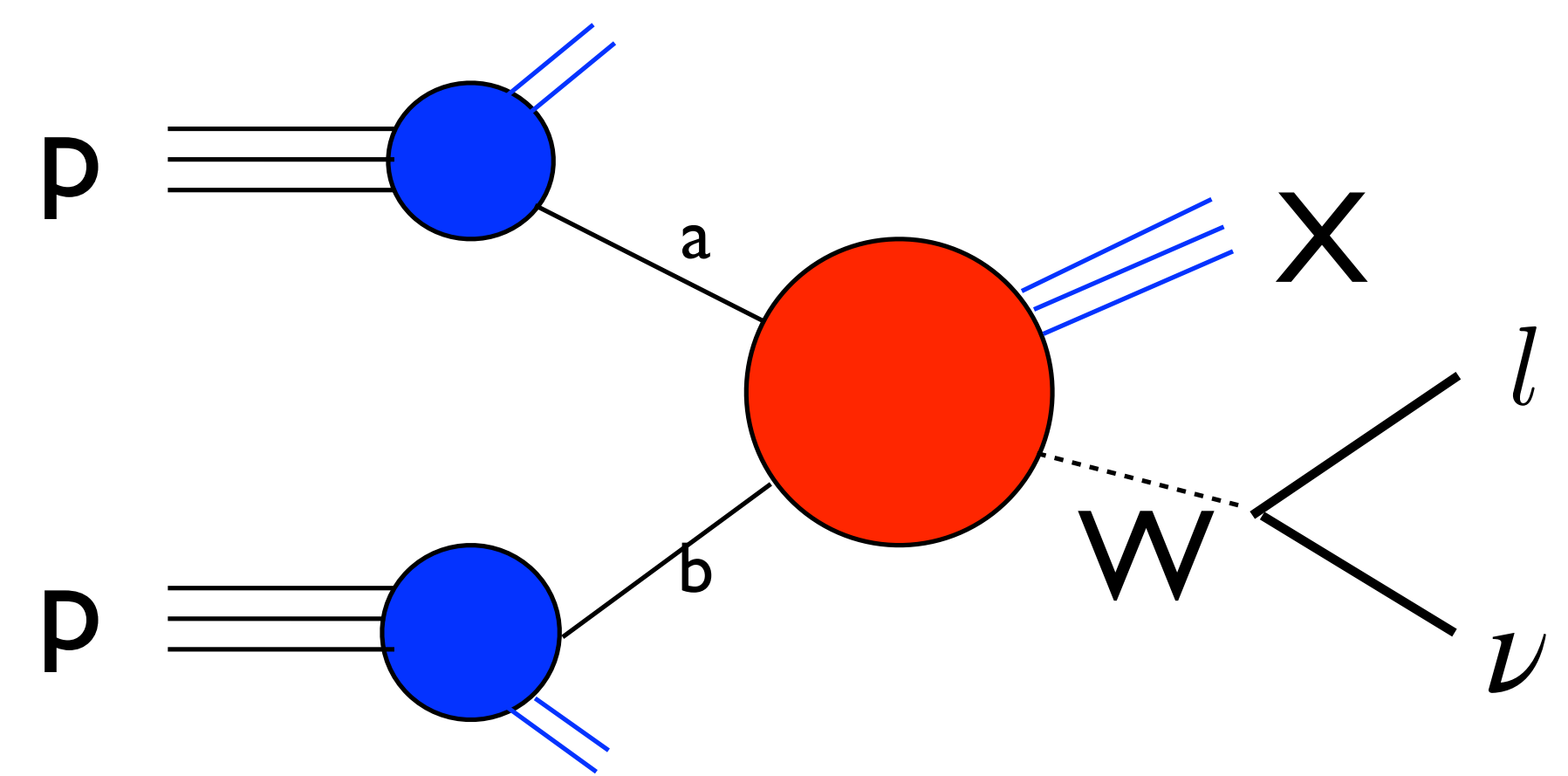
urgently needed to match sub-percent precision in the TeV region, but also to match FCC-ee precision

# W-boson mass determination



# $m_W$ determination at hadron colliders

- In charged-current DY, it is **NOT** possible to reconstruct the lepton-neutrino invariant mass  
Full reconstruction is possible (but not easy) only in the transverse plane

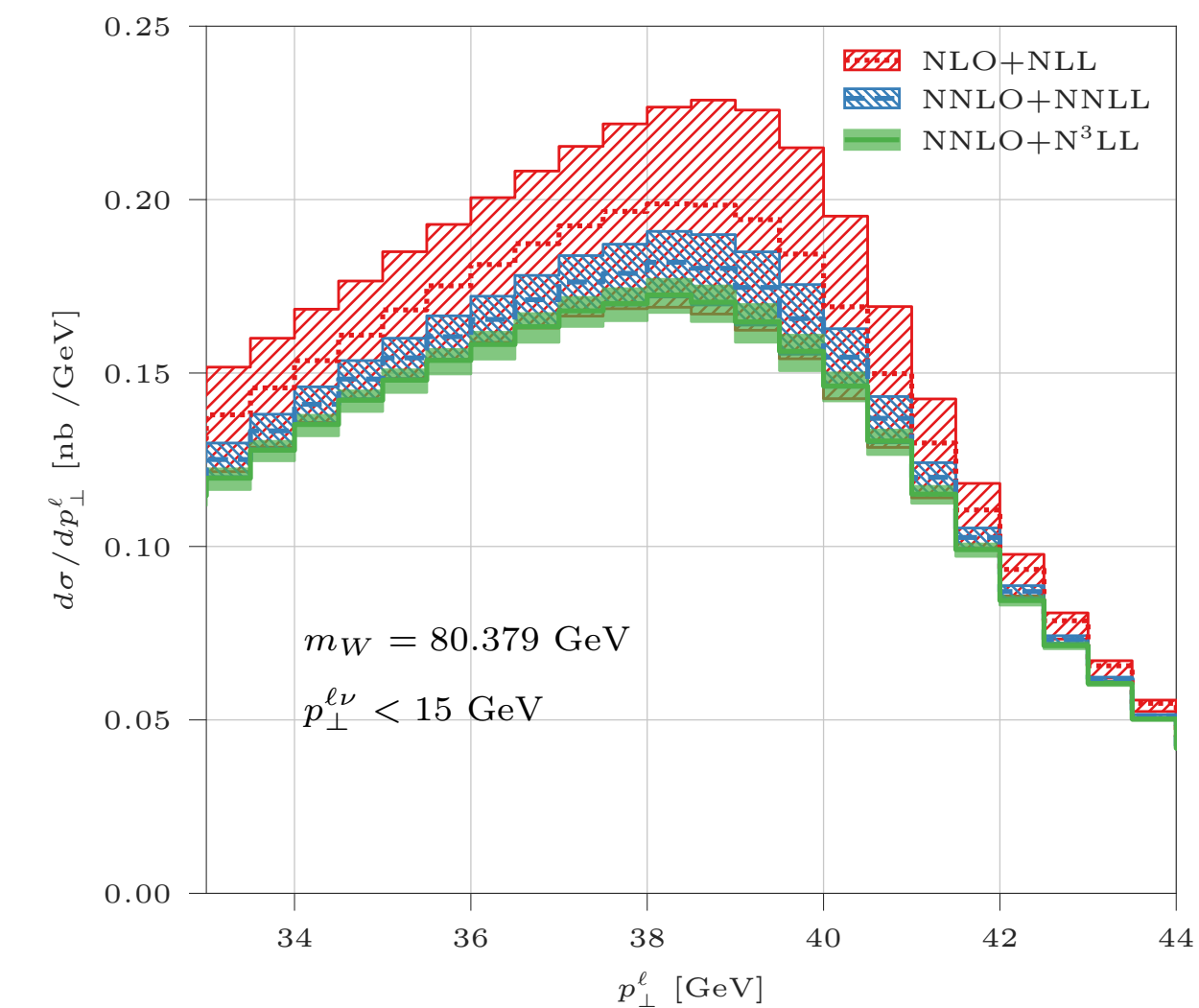


- A generic observable has a linear response to an  $m_W$  variation  
With a goal for the relative error of  $10^{-4}$ , the problem seems to be unsolvable

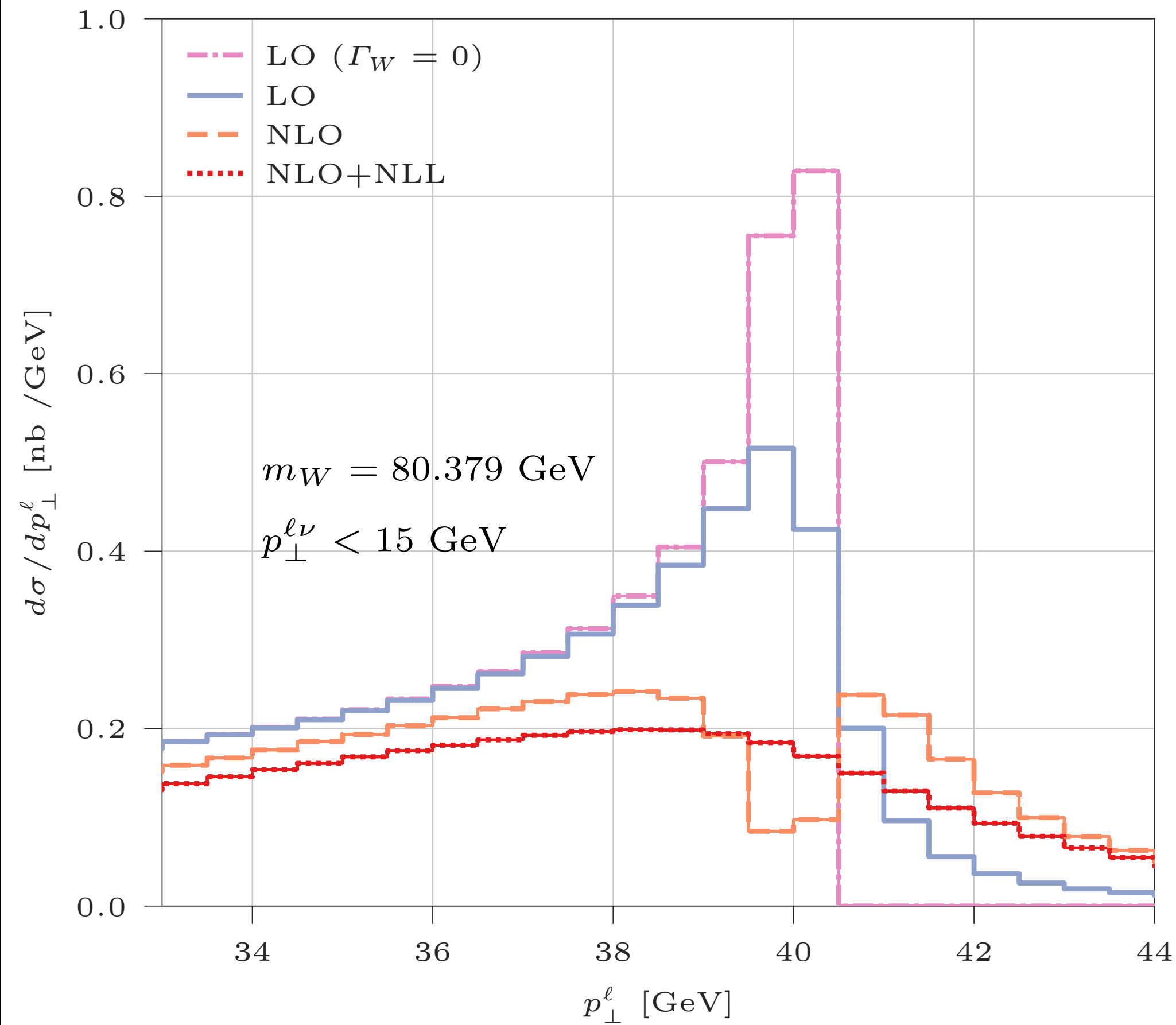
- $m_W$  extracted from the study of the **shape** of the  $p_{\perp}^l$ ,  $M_{\perp}$  and  $E_{\perp}^{miss}$  distributions in CC-DY thanks to the **jacobian peak** that enhances the sensitivity to  $m_W$

$$\frac{d}{dp_{\perp}^2} \rightarrow \frac{2}{s} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - 4p_{\perp}^2/s}} \frac{d}{d \cos \theta} \sim \frac{d}{dp_{\perp}^2} \rightarrow \frac{2}{s} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - 4p_{\perp}^2/m_W^2}} \frac{d}{d \cos \theta}$$

→ **enhanced sensitivity** at the  $10^{-3}$  level ( $p_{\perp}^l$  distribution)  
or even at the  $10^{-2}$  level ( $M_{\perp}$  distribution)



# The lepton transverse momentum distribution in charged-current Drell-Yan



The lepton transverse momentum distribution has a jacobian peak

induced by the factor  $1/\sqrt{1 - \frac{s}{4p_{\perp}^2}}$ .

When studying the W resonance region, the peak appears at  $p_{\perp} \sim \frac{m_W}{2}$

Kinematical end point at  $\frac{m_W}{2}$  at LO

The decay width allows to populate the upper tail of the distribution

Sensitivity to soft radiation  $\rightarrow$  double peak at NLO-QCD

The QCD-ISR next-to-leading-log resummation broadens the distribution and cures the sensitivity to soft radiation at the jacobian peak.

In the  $p_{\perp}^{\ell}$  spectrum the sensitivity to  $m_W$  and important QCD features are closely intertwined

# $m_W$ determination at hadron colliders: template fitting

Given one experimental kinematical distribution

- we compute the corresponding theoretical distribution for several hypotheses of one Lagrangian input parameters (e.g.  $m_W$ )
- we compute, for each  $m_W^{(k)}$  hypothesis, a  $\chi_k^2$  defined in a certain interval around the jacobian peak (fitting window)
- we look for the minimum of the  $\chi^2$  distribution

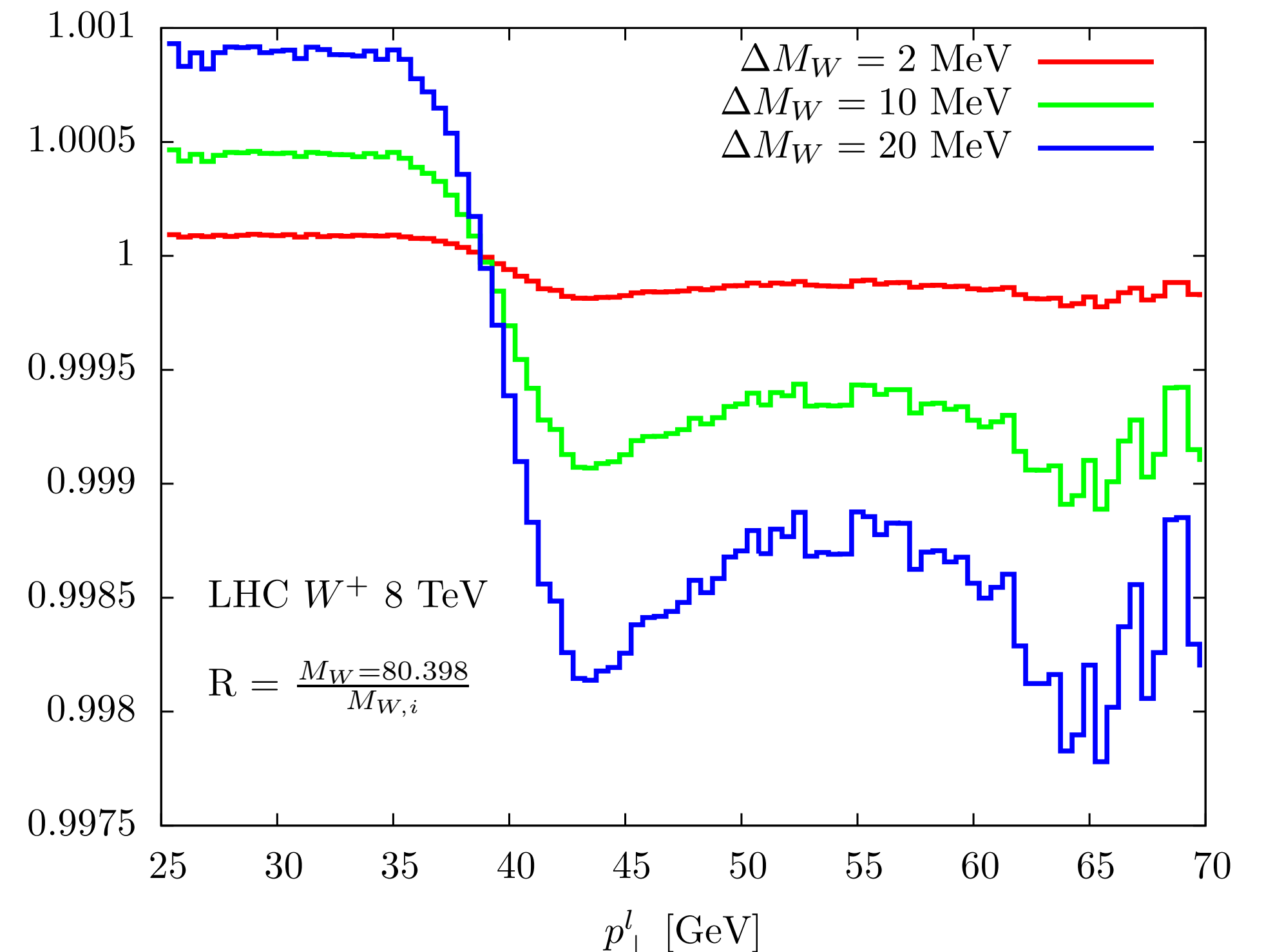
The  $m_W$  value associated to the position of the minimum of the  $\chi^2$  distribution is the experimental result

A determination at the  $10^{-4}$  level requires  
a control over the shape of the distributions at the per mille level

The theoretical uncertainties of the templates  
contribute to the **theoretical systematic error on  $m_W$**

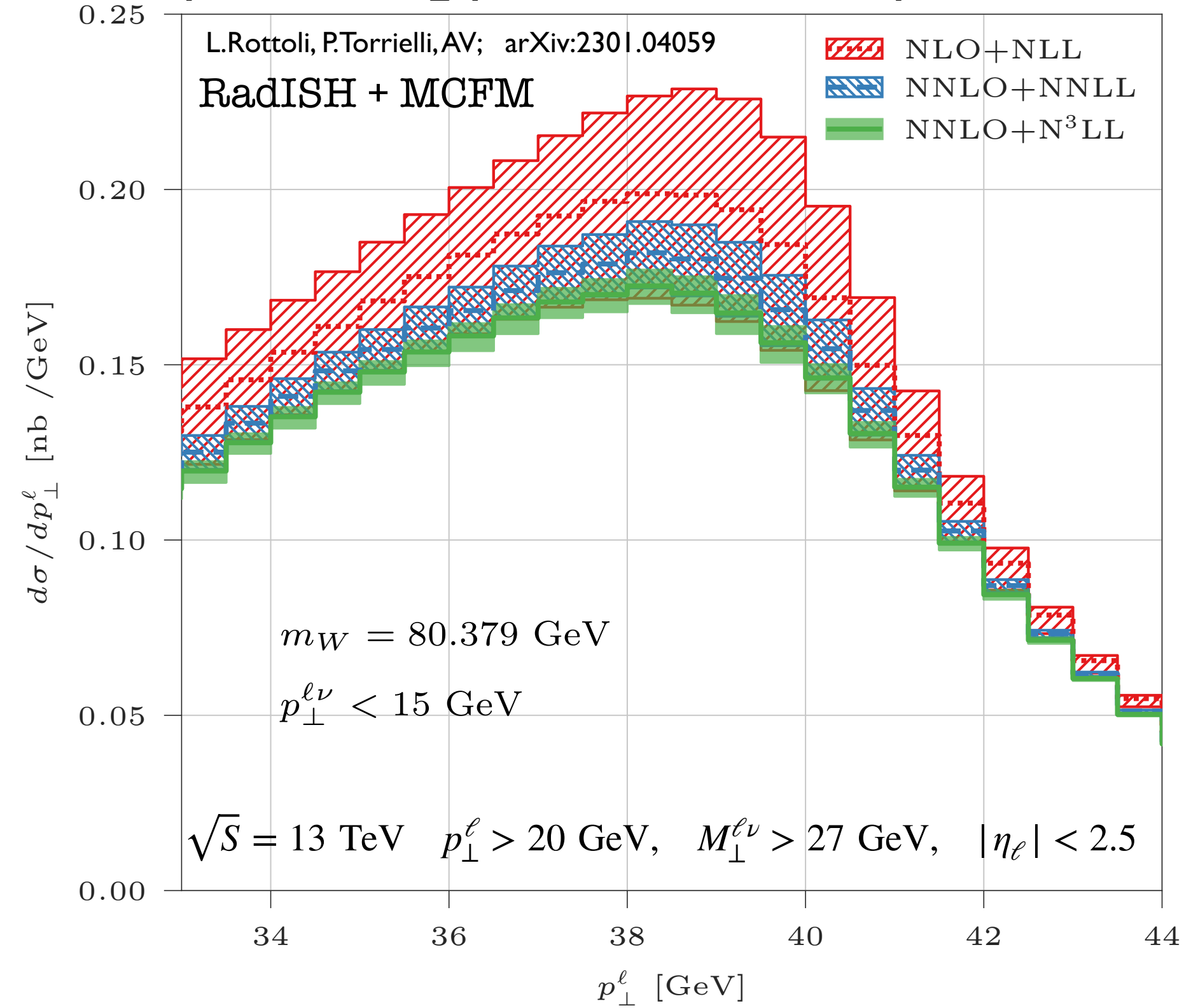
- higher-order QCD
- non-perturbative QCD
- PDF uncertainties
- heavy quarks corrections
- EW corrections

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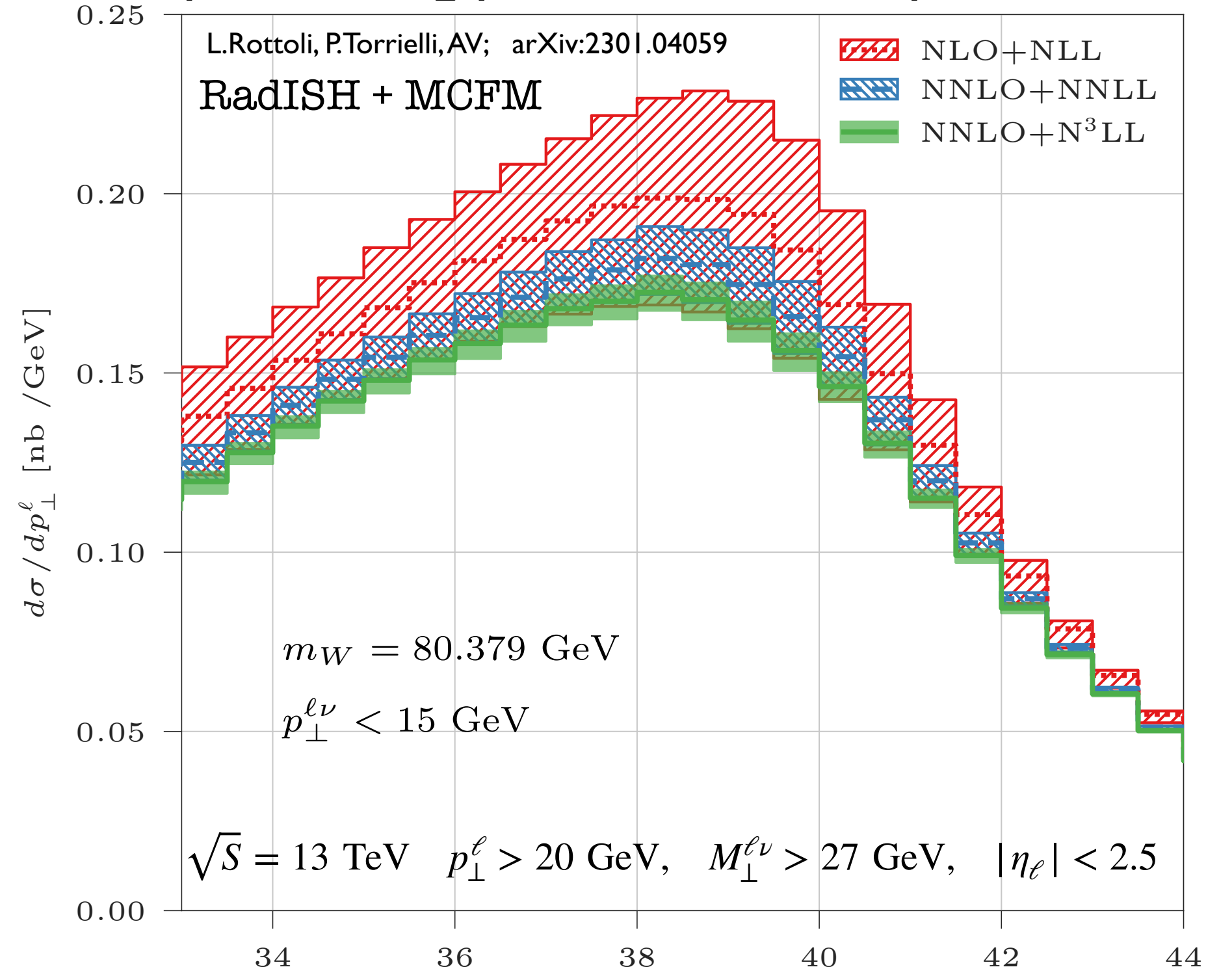
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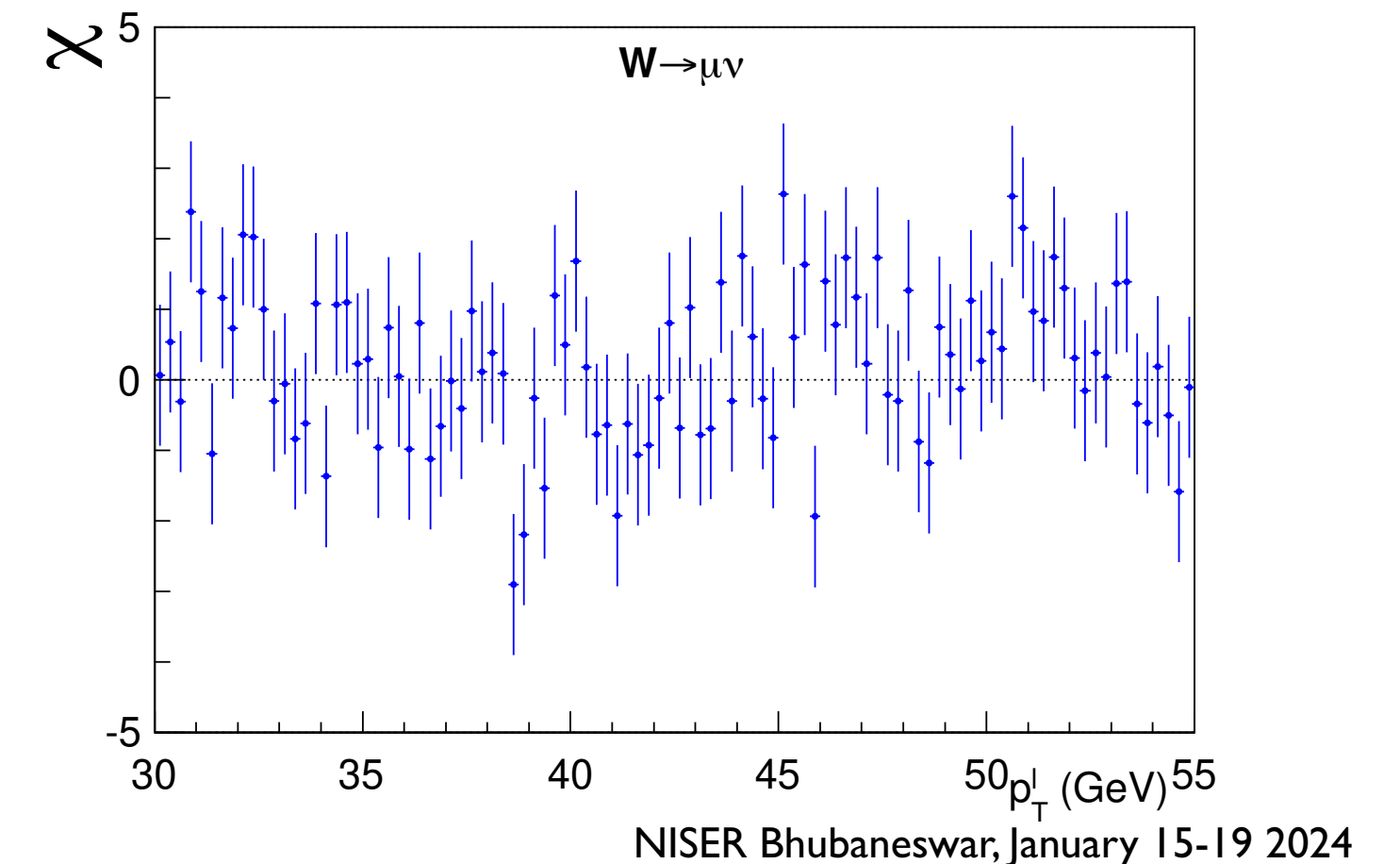
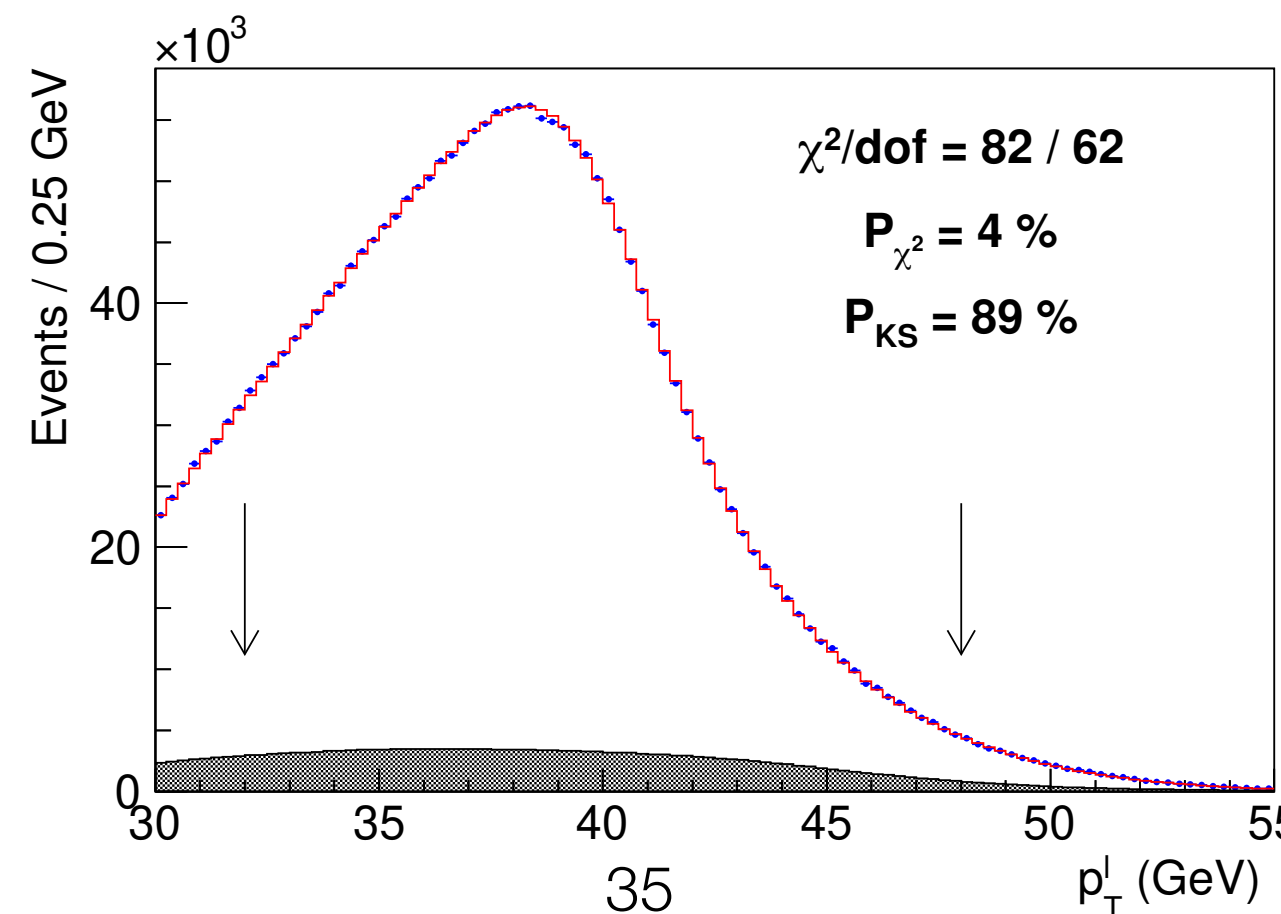
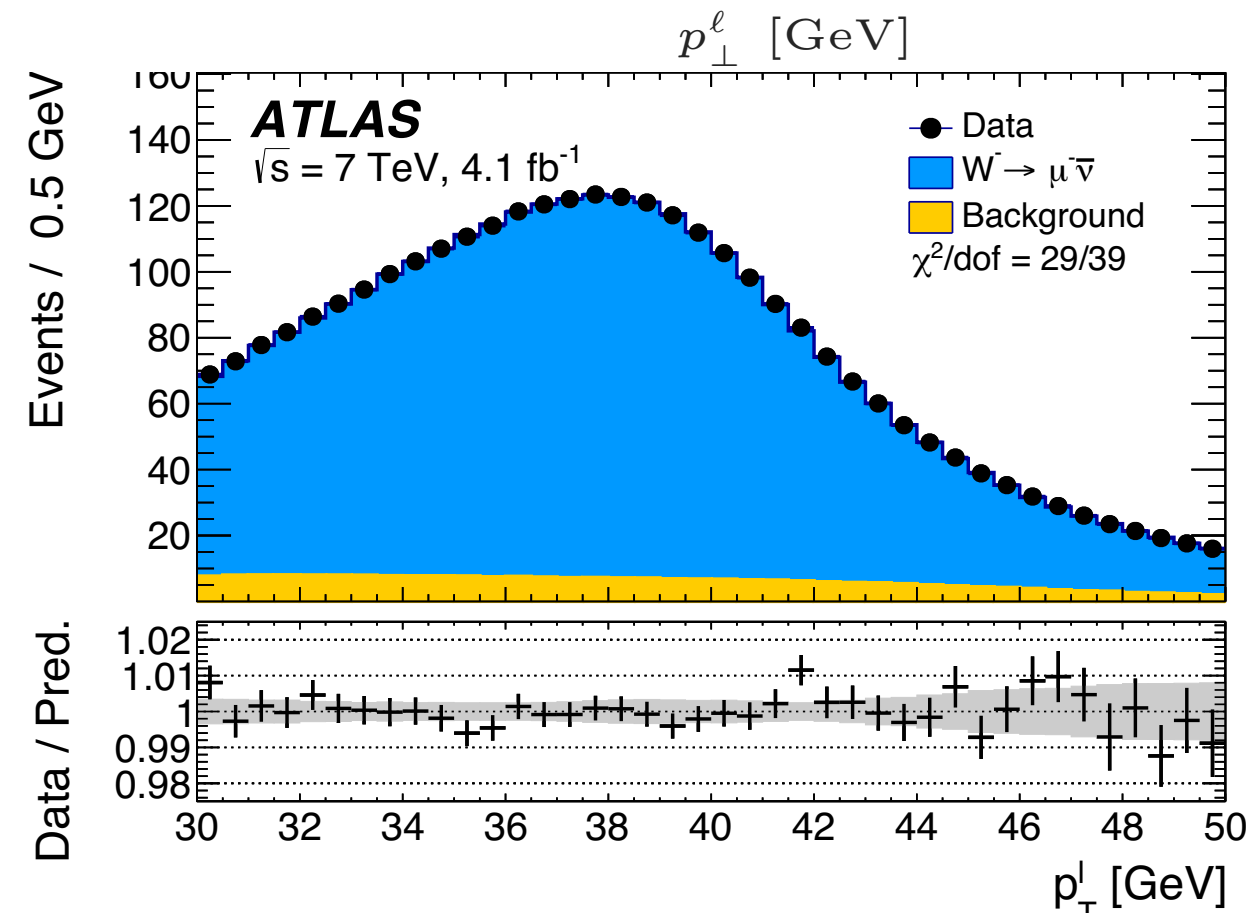


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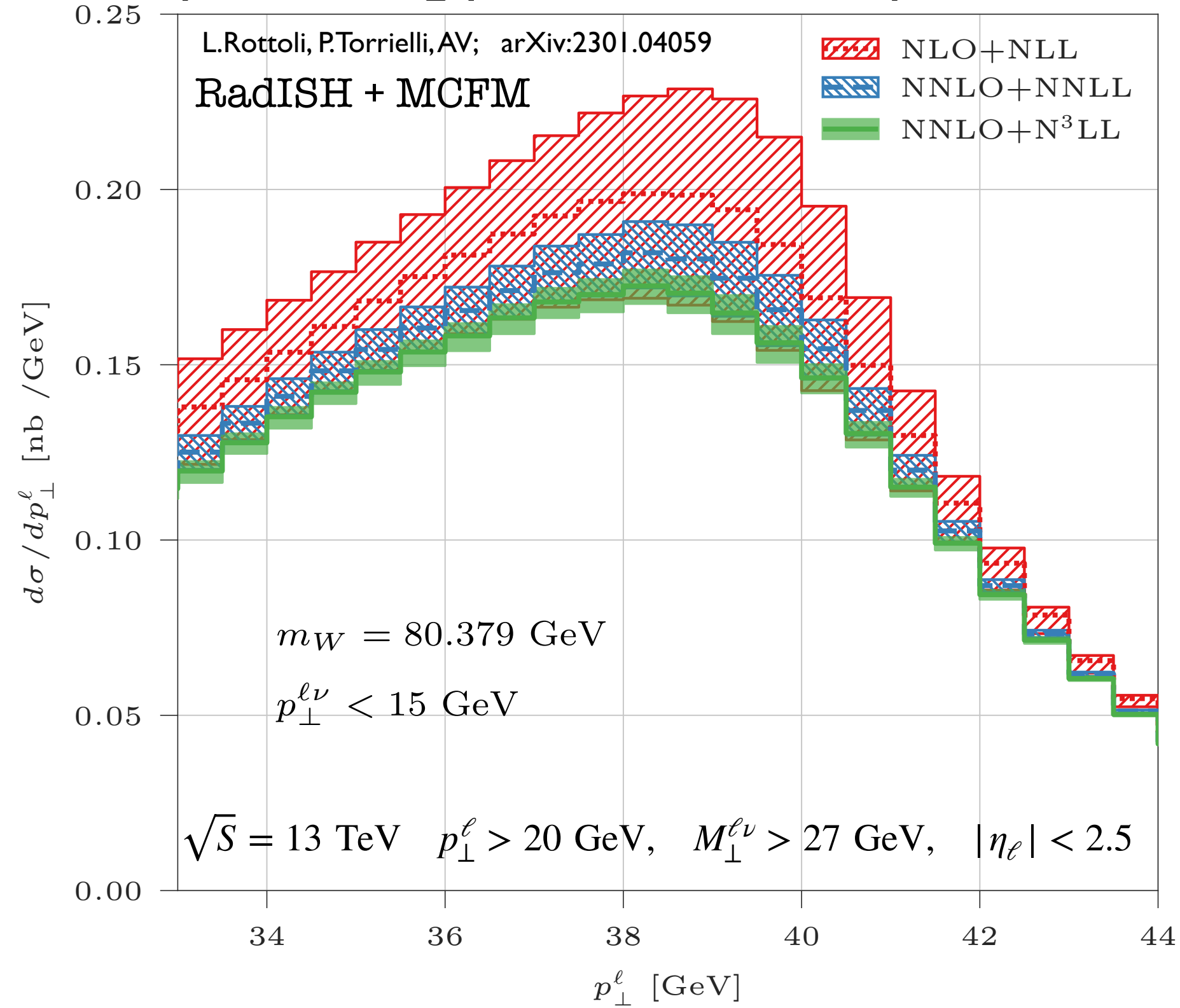
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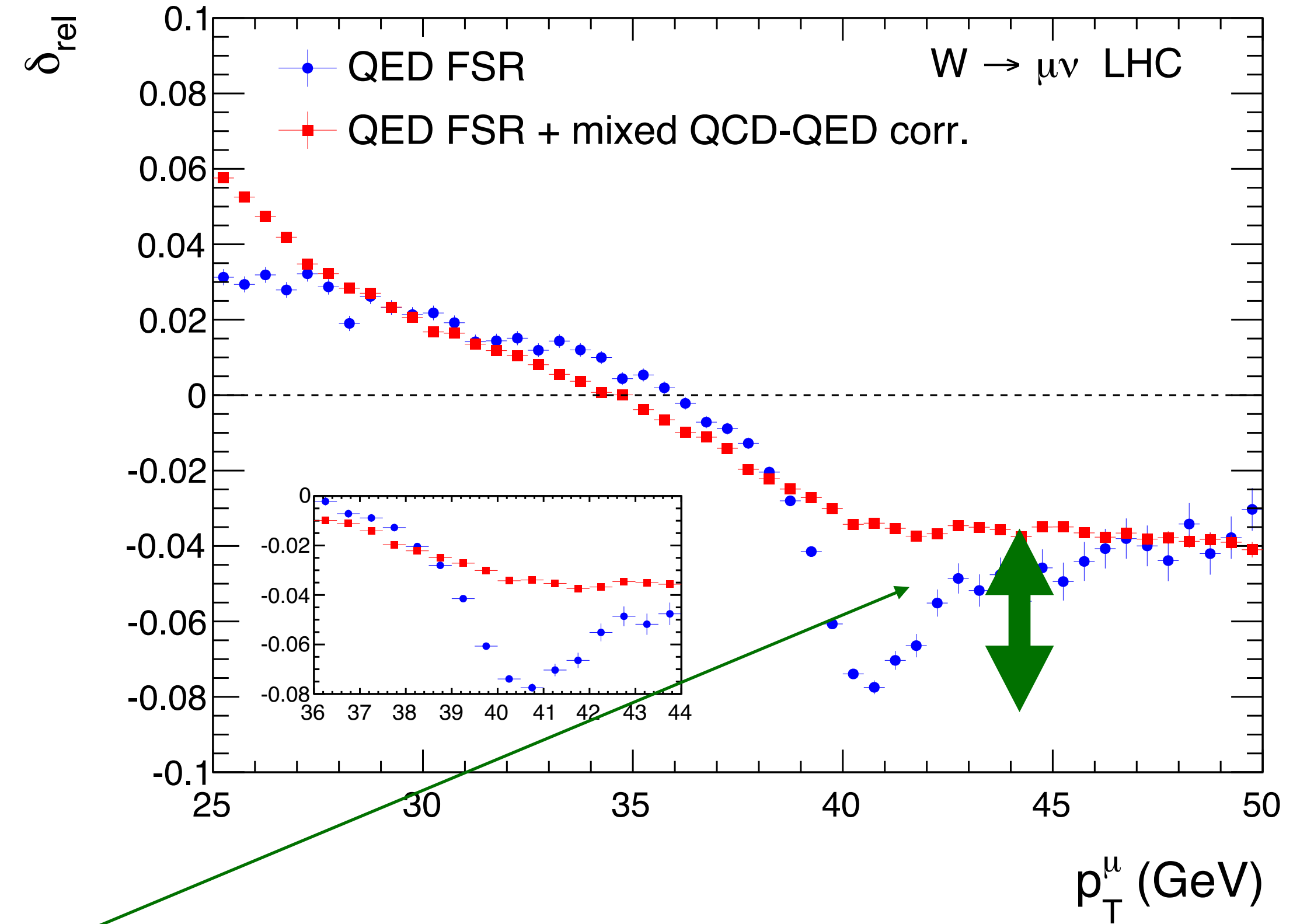
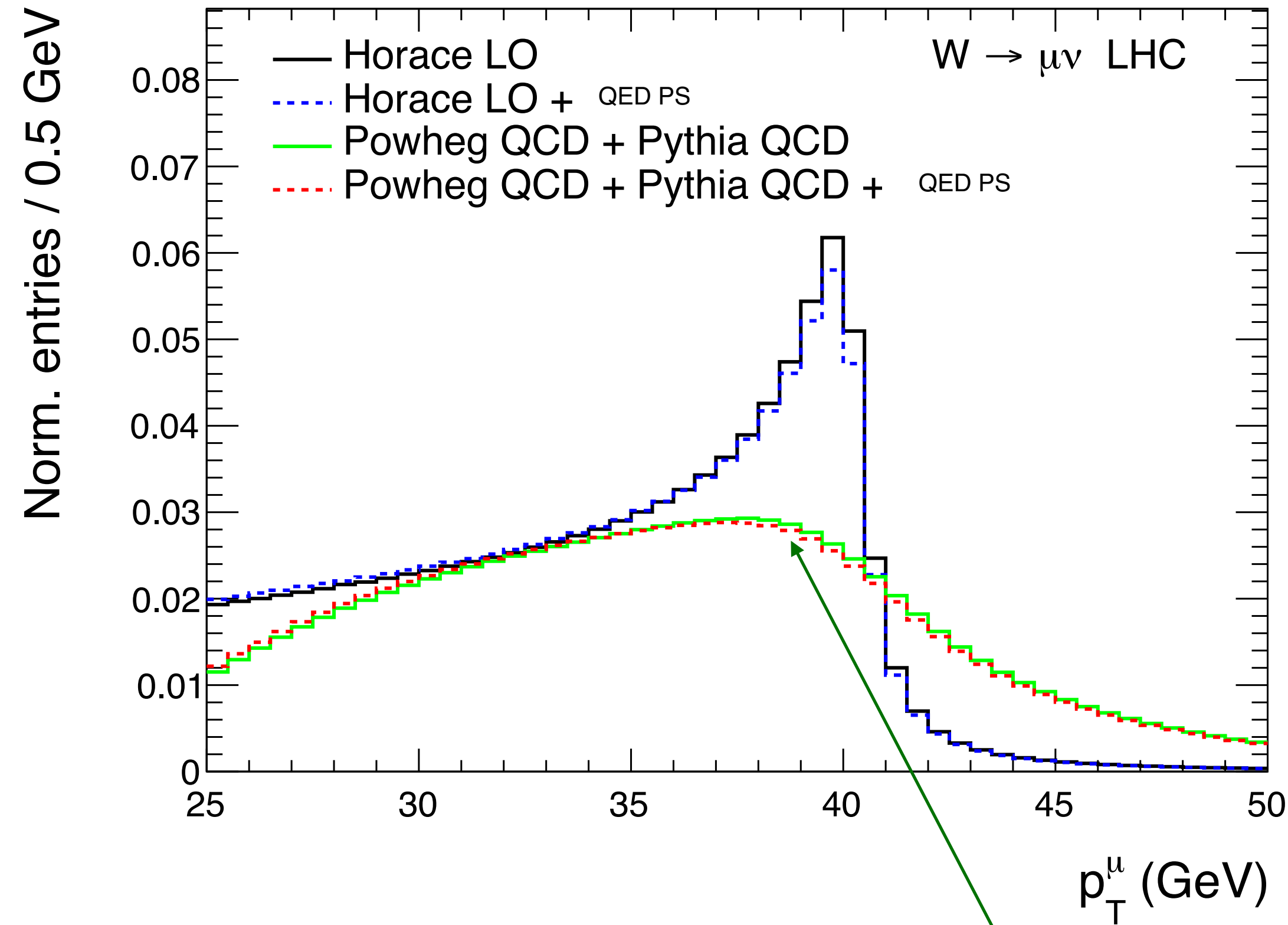


A data driven approach improves the accuracy of the model ( i.e. its ability to describe the data )  
 does not improve the precision of the model ( the intrinsic ambiguities in the model formulation )

What are the limitations of the transfer of information from NCDY to CCDY ?

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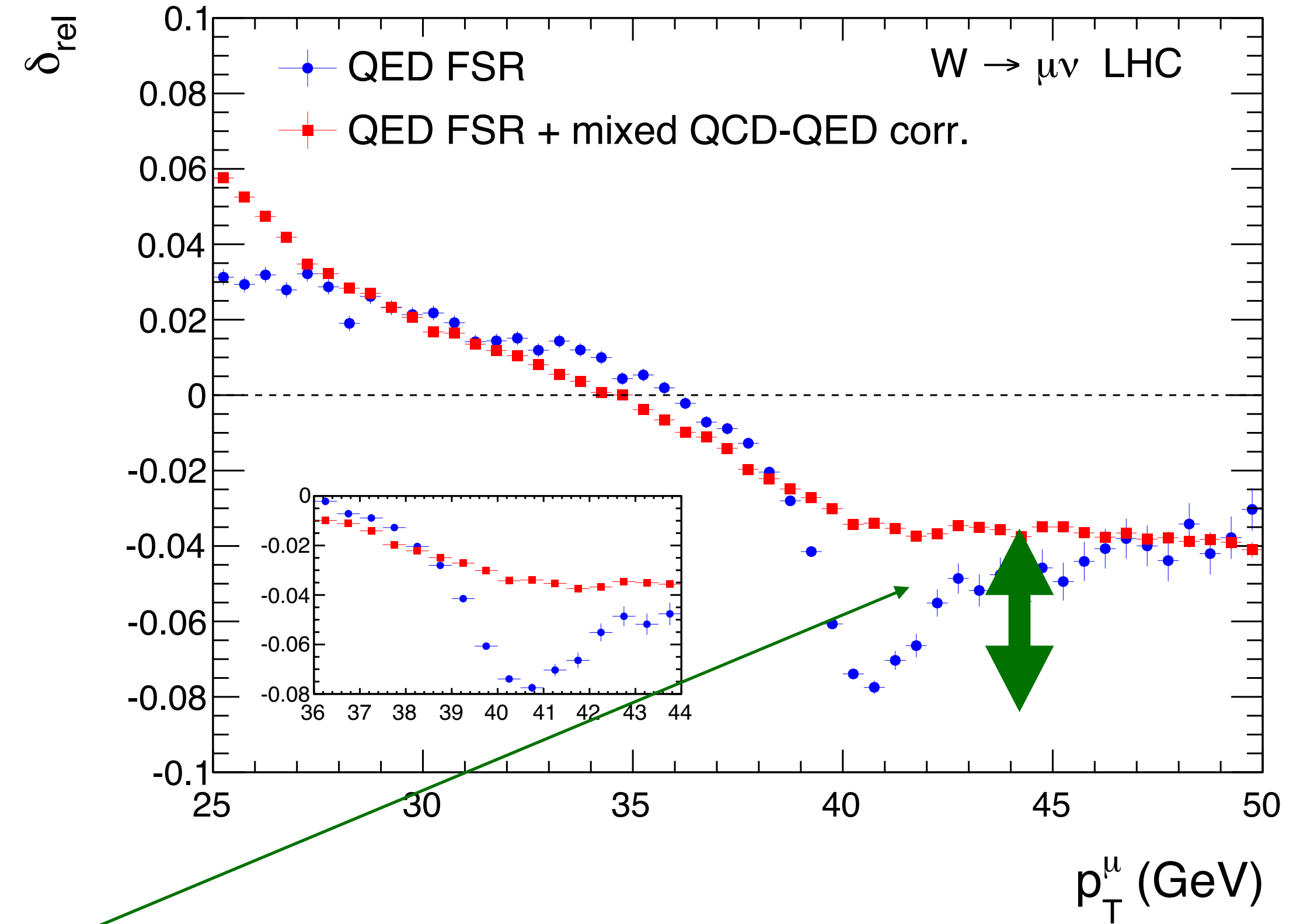
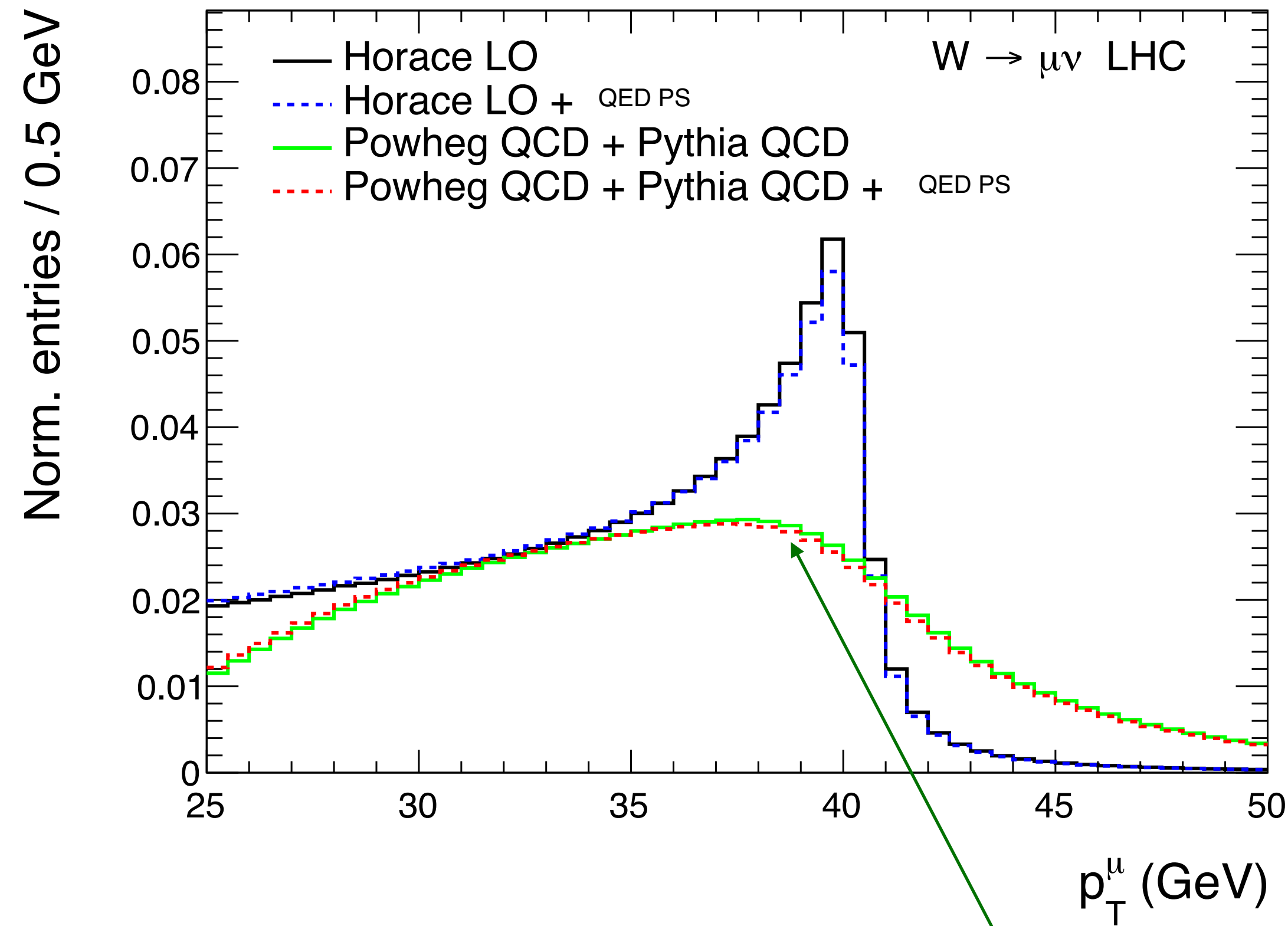
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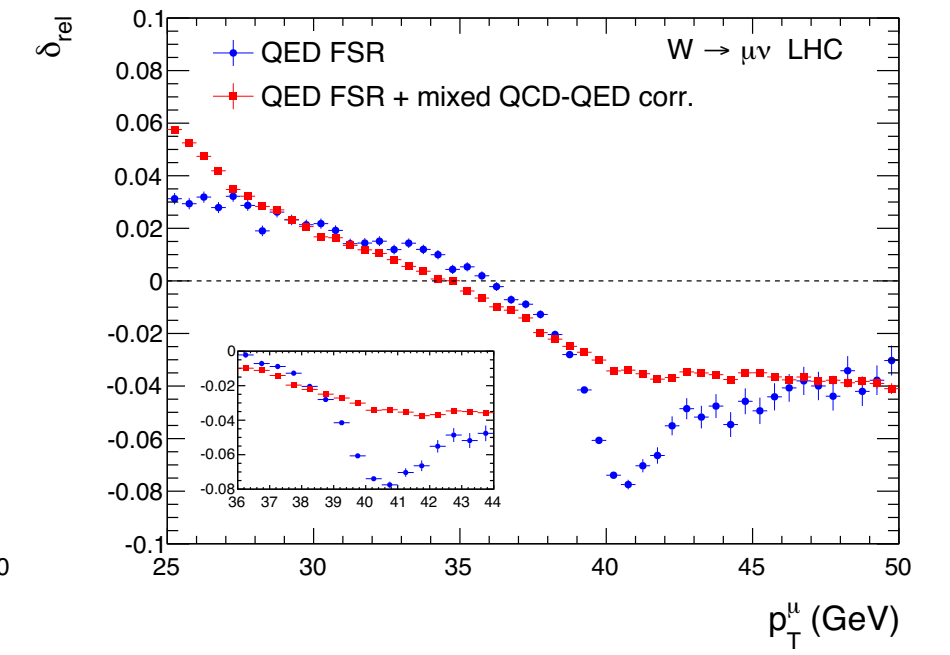
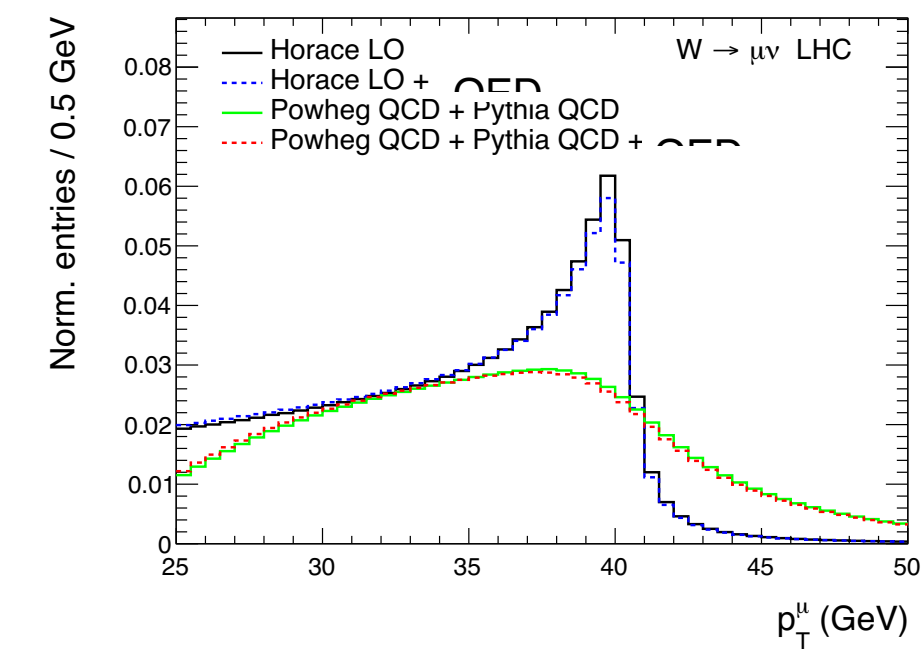
**NLO-QCD + QCDPS + QEDPS** is the lowest order meaningful approximation of this observable

**the precise size of the mixed QCDxQED corrections (and uncertainties) depends on the choice for the QCD modelling**

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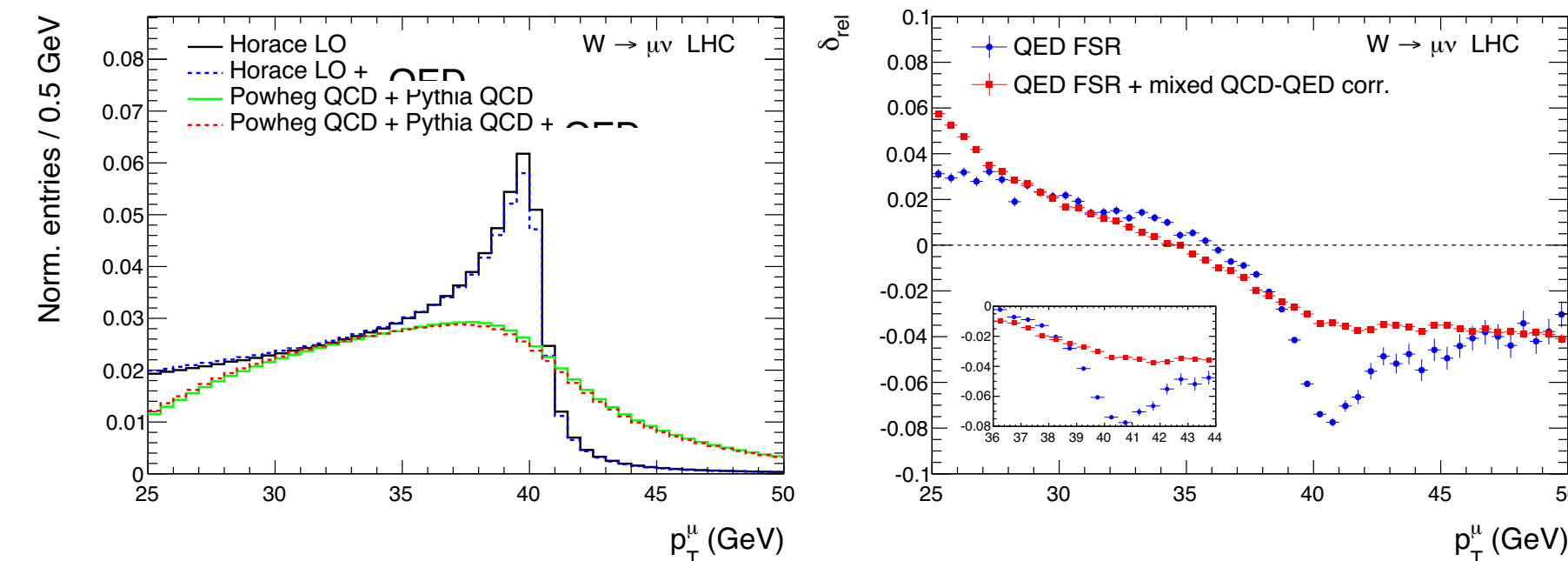
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the impact on MW of the mixed QCD QED-FSR corrections strongly depends on the underlying QCD shape/model

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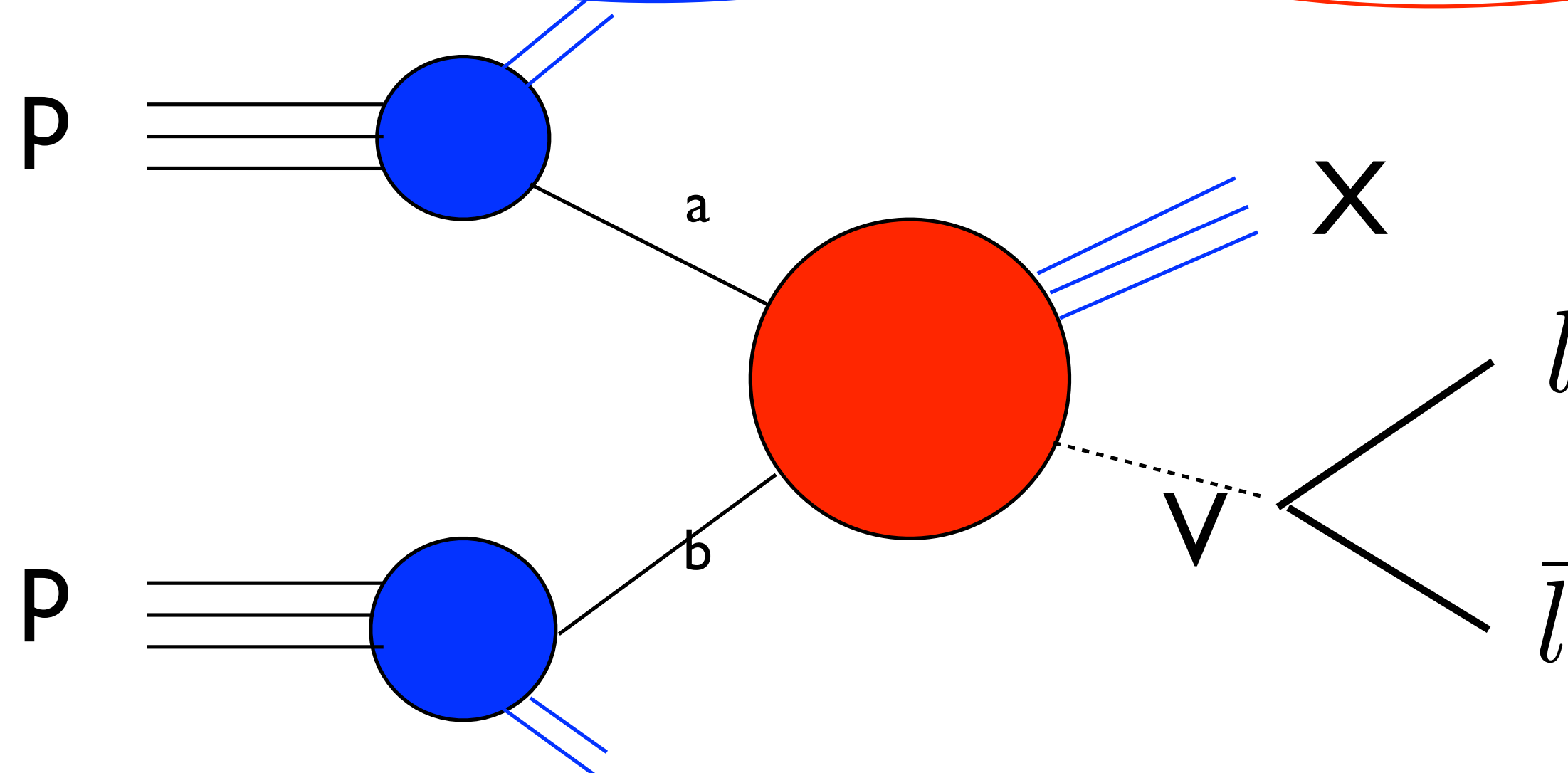
the bulk of the corrections is included in the analyses

- what is the associated uncertainty ?
- what happens if we change the underlying QCD model ?



# PDF uncertainties and MW determination

$$\sigma(P_1, P_2; m_V) = \sum_{a,b} \int_0^1 dx_1 dx_2 f_{h_1,a}(x_1, M_F) f_{h_2,b}(x_2, M_F) \hat{\sigma}_{ab}(x_1 P_1, x_2 P_2, \alpha_s(\mu), M_F)$$



- in a fiducial volume the rapidity and transverse momentum dependencies are connected by kinematics  
 → the PDF uncertainties (longitudinal d.o.f.) are “transmitted” to the transverse observables → impact on  $m_W$
- proton PDF uncertainty parameterised with replicas → each one yields a different  $m_W$  fit result

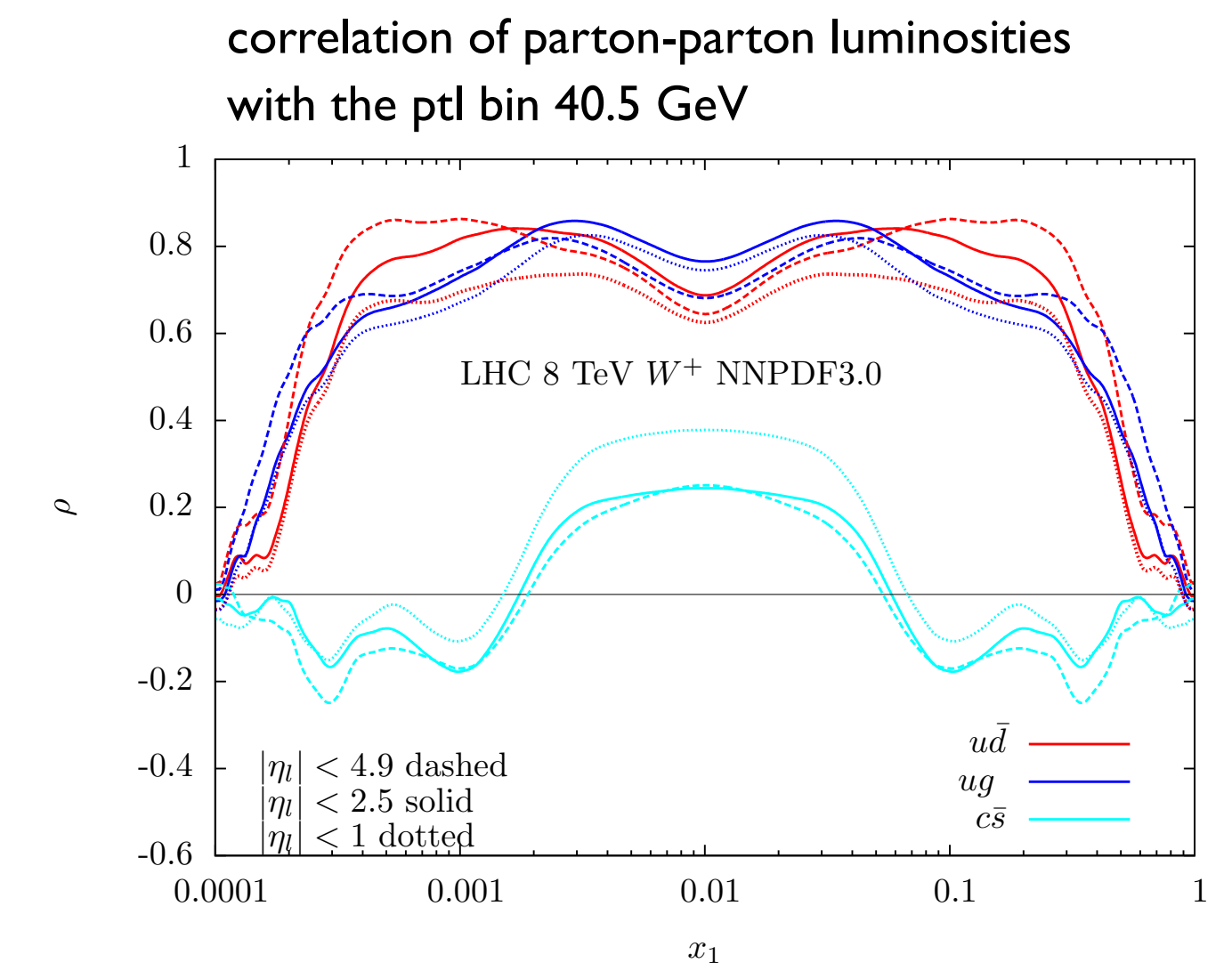
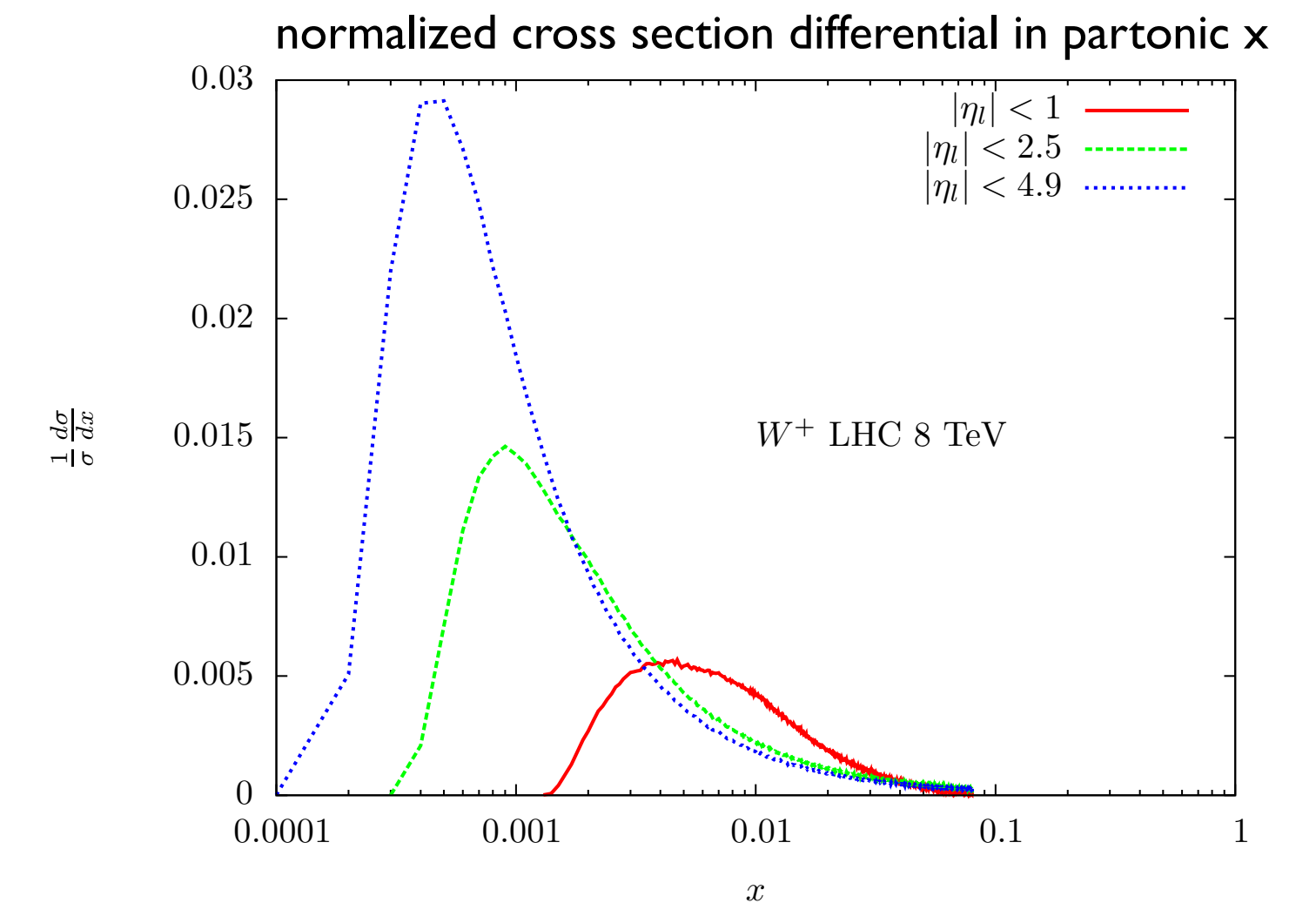
# PDF uncertainties and acceptance cuts; anticorrelations

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normalized distributions			
cut on $p_{\perp}^W$	cut on $ \eta_l $	CT10	NNPDF3.0
inclusive	$ \eta_l  < 2.5$	$80.400 + 0.032 - 0.027$	$80.398 \pm 0.014$
$p_{\perp}^W < 20$ GeV	$ \eta_l  < 2.5$	$80.396 + 0.027 - 0.020$	$80.394 \pm 0.012$
$p_{\perp}^W < 15$ GeV	$ \eta_l  < 2.5$	$80.396 + 0.017 - 0.018$	$80.395 \pm 0.009$
$p_{\perp}^W < 10$ GeV	$ \eta_l  < 2.5$	$80.392 + 0.015 - 0.012$	$80.394 \pm 0.007$
$p_{\perp}^W < 15$ GeV	$ \eta_l  < 1.0$	$80.400 + 0.032 - 0.021$	$80.406 \pm 0.017$
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$p_{\perp}^W < 15$ GeV	$ \eta_l  < 4.9$	$80.400 + 0.009 - 0.004$	$80.401 \pm 0.003$
$p_{\perp}^W < 15$ GeV	$1.0 <  \eta_l  < 2.5$	$80.392 + 0.025 - 0.018$	$80.388 \pm 0.012$

- the normalized p<sub>lep</sub> distribution, integrated over the whole lepton-pair rapidity range, does not depend on x and very weakly on the PDF replica
- PDF sum rules → non trivial compensations between different rapidity intervals among different flavors → **Anticorrelation**

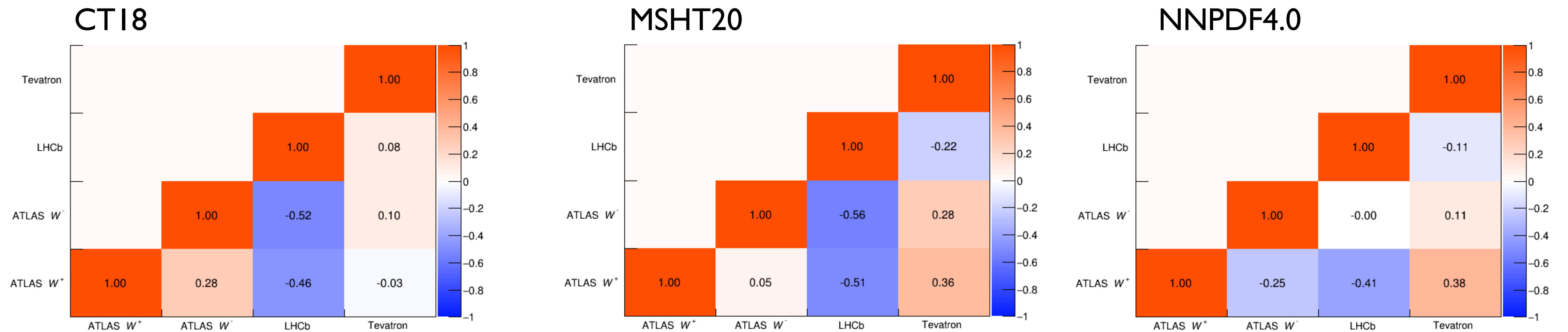
- **MW measurement at LHCb significantly reduces the global PDF uncertainty**
- **W+ and W- determinations are anti correlated w.r.t. PDFs their combination benefits of a reduction of the PDF error**



## Correlations needed in the combination

PDF anti-correlations between experiments leads to more stable results and reduced PDF dependence

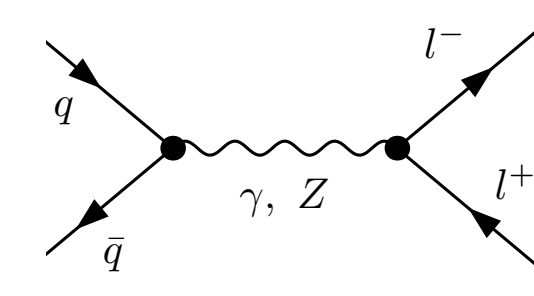
Significantly different correlations between the various PDF sets



# Weak mixing angle determinations

# Weak mixing angle determination at hadron colliders (I)

$$\mathcal{M}_{Zl^+l^-}^{eff} = \bar{u}_l \gamma_\alpha [\mathcal{G}_v^f(m_Z^2) - \mathcal{G}_a^f(m_Z^2) \gamma_5] v_l \varepsilon_Z^\alpha$$



invariant mass Forward-Backward asymmetry in NCDY

$$F(M_{l^+l^-}) = \int_0^1 \frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta^*} d\cos\theta^* \quad B(M_{l^+l^-}) = \int_{-1}^0 \frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta^*} d\cos\theta^*$$

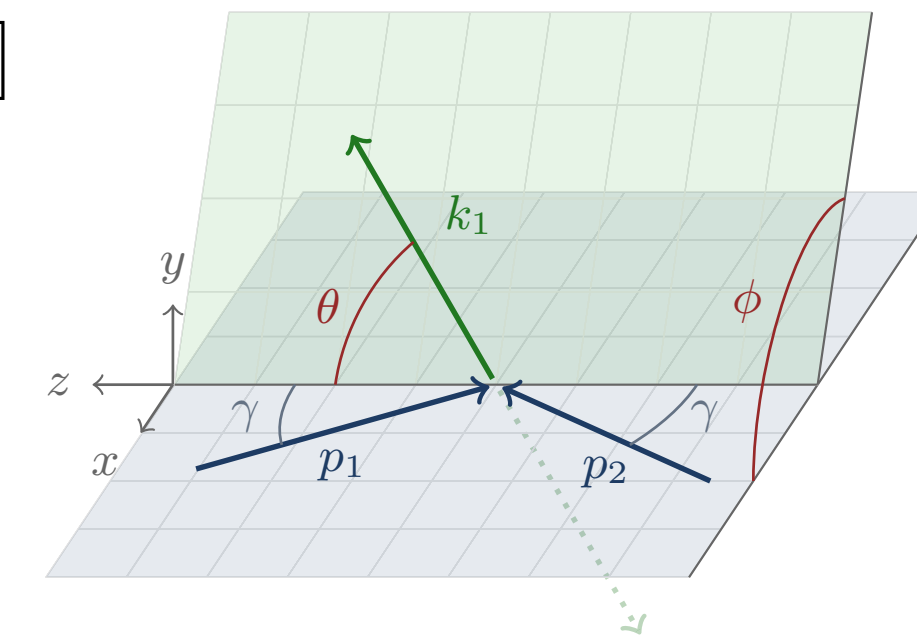
$$A_{FB}(M_{l^+l^-}) = \frac{F(M_{l^+l^-}) - B(M_{l^+l^-})}{F(M_{l^+l^-}) + B(M_{l^+l^-})}$$

Sensitive to parity violation

scattering angle defined in the Collins-Soper frame  $\rightarrow$  "Forward" ("Backward")

$$\cos\theta^* = f \frac{2}{M(l^+l^-) \sqrt{M^2(l^+l^-) + p_t^2(l^+l^-)}} [p^+(l^-) p^-(l^+) - p^-(l^-) p^+(l^+)]$$

$$p^\pm = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (E \pm p_z) \quad f = \frac{|p_z(l^+l^-)|}{p_z(l^+l^-)}$$



we would like to appreciate parity violation like at LEP,

observing an asymmetry with respect to the direction of the incoming particle

$\rightarrow$  it is not possible because we have both  $q\bar{q}$  and  $\bar{q}q$  annihilation processes

$\rightarrow$  at the LHC the symmetry of the collider (p-p) removes one possible preferred direction

but...



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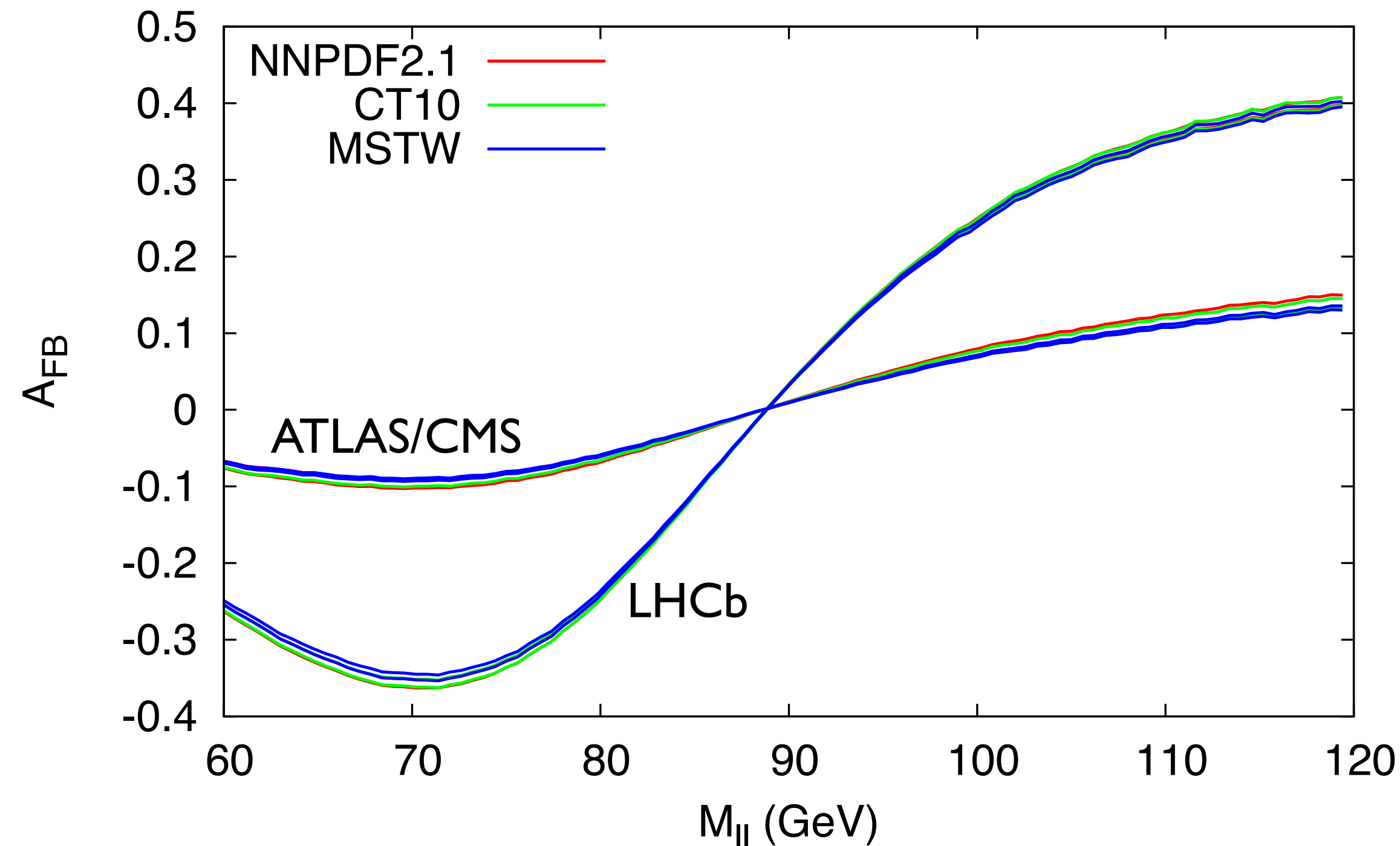
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at a given lepton-pair rapidity  $Y$ ,  $q\bar{q}$  and  $\bar{q}q$  have different weight because of the PDFs  $\Rightarrow$  do not cancel each other

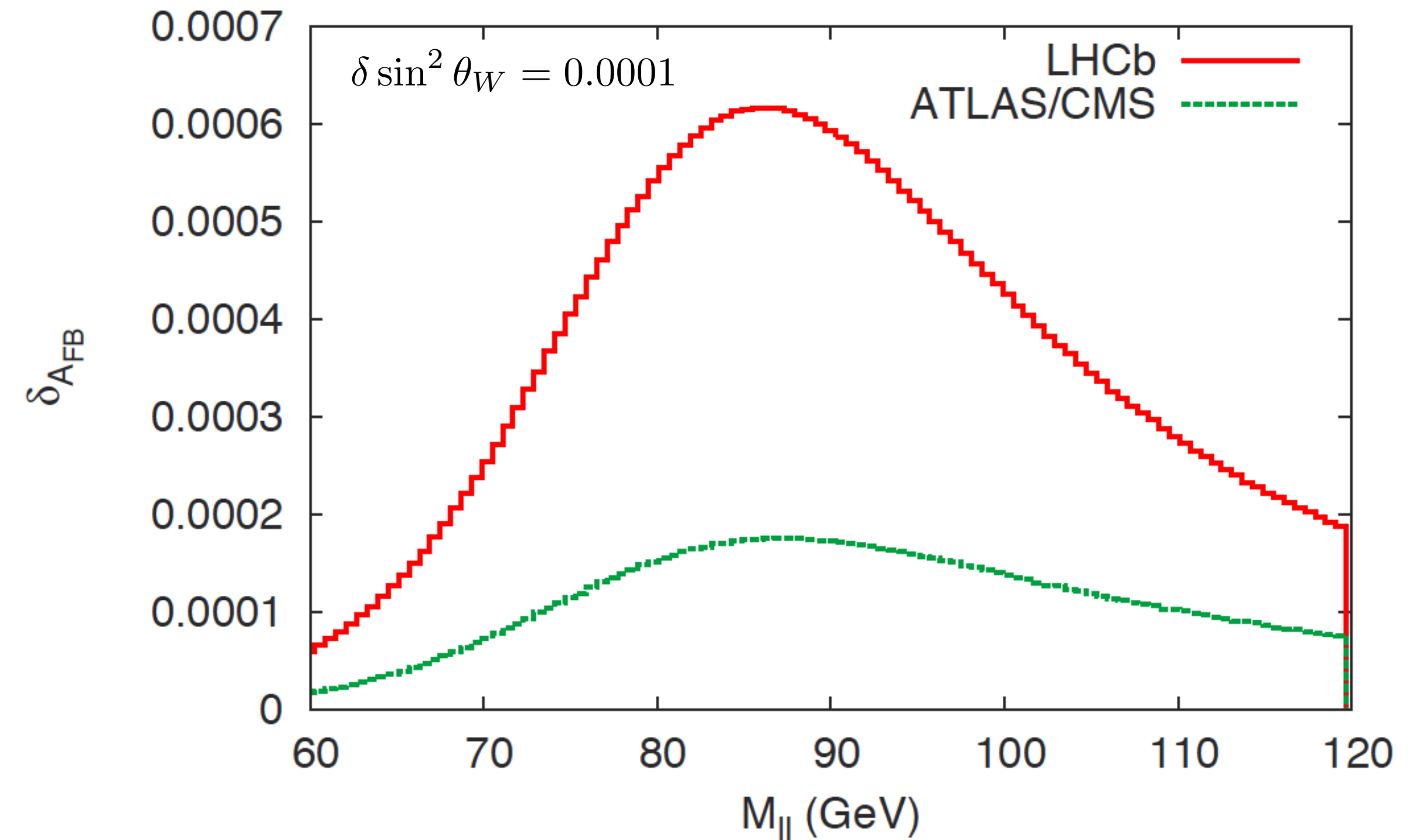
the parton luminosity unbalance is due to the different  $x$  dependence of the valence and sea quarks

AFB is more pronounced at large  $Y$ , e.g. at LHCb

ATLAS/CMS and LHCb, AFB, Born, LHC 7 TeV



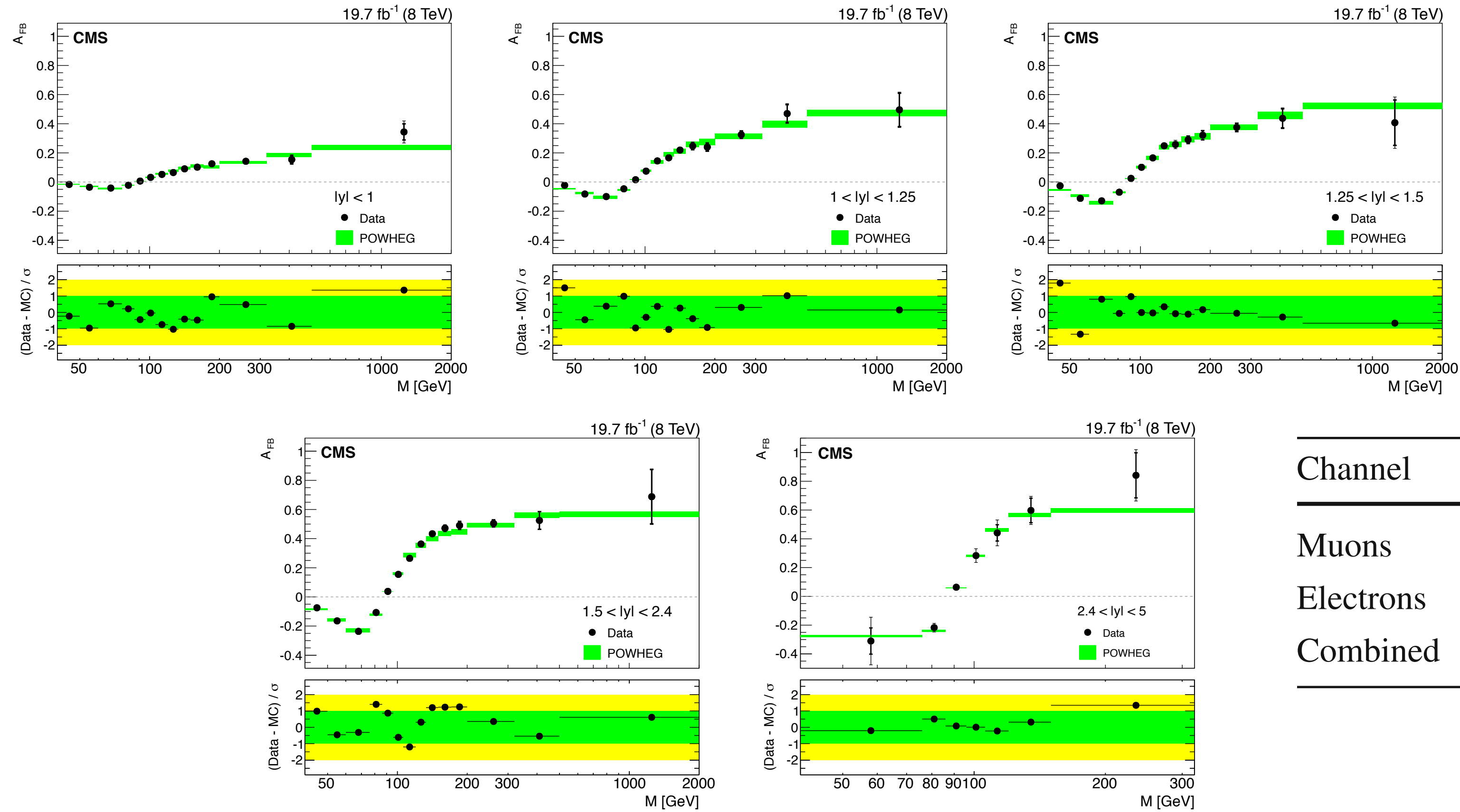
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the AFB slope around  $m_Z$  has a linear dependence on  $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^\ell$

AFB probes a PDF weighted combination of up, down and leptonic effective angles

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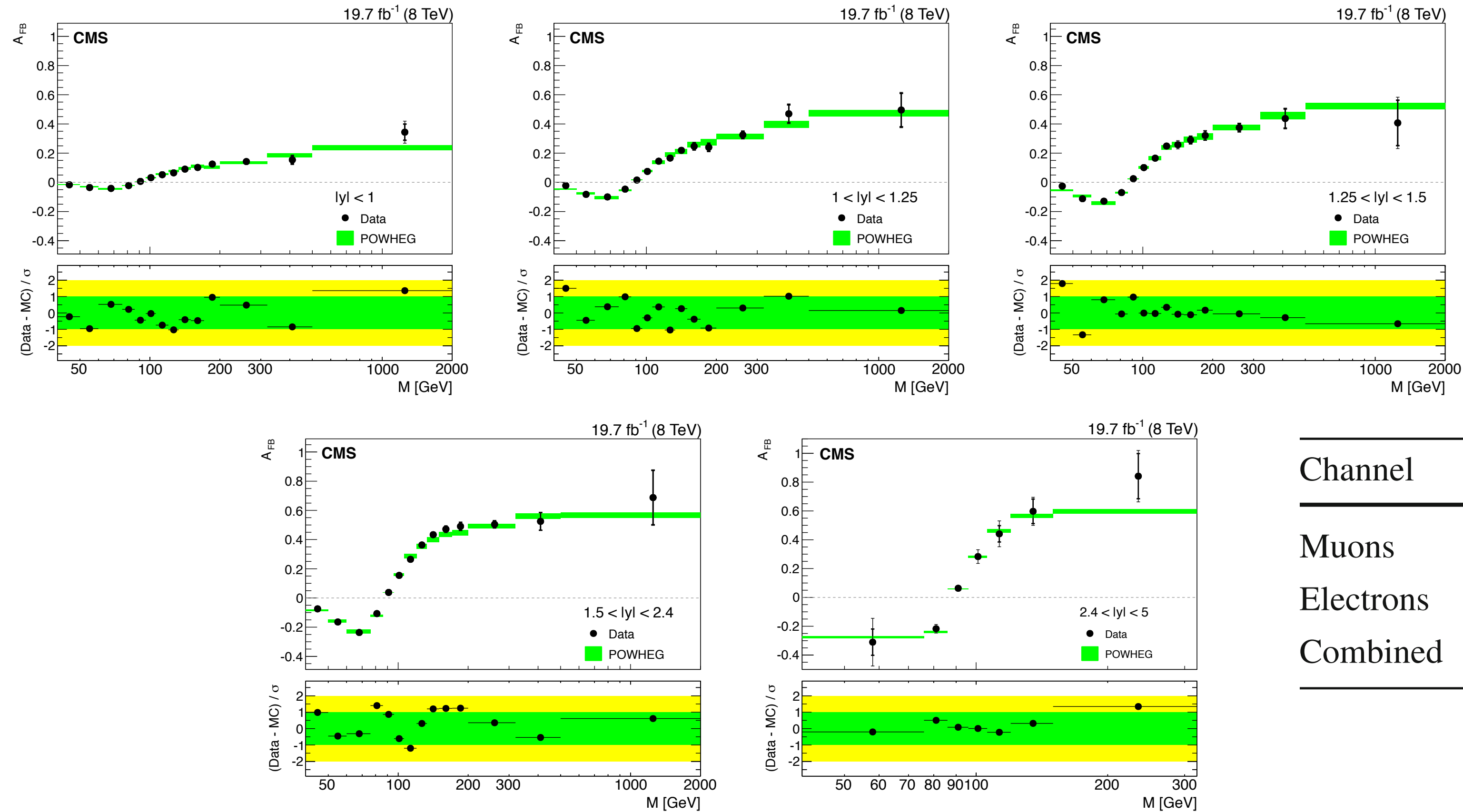


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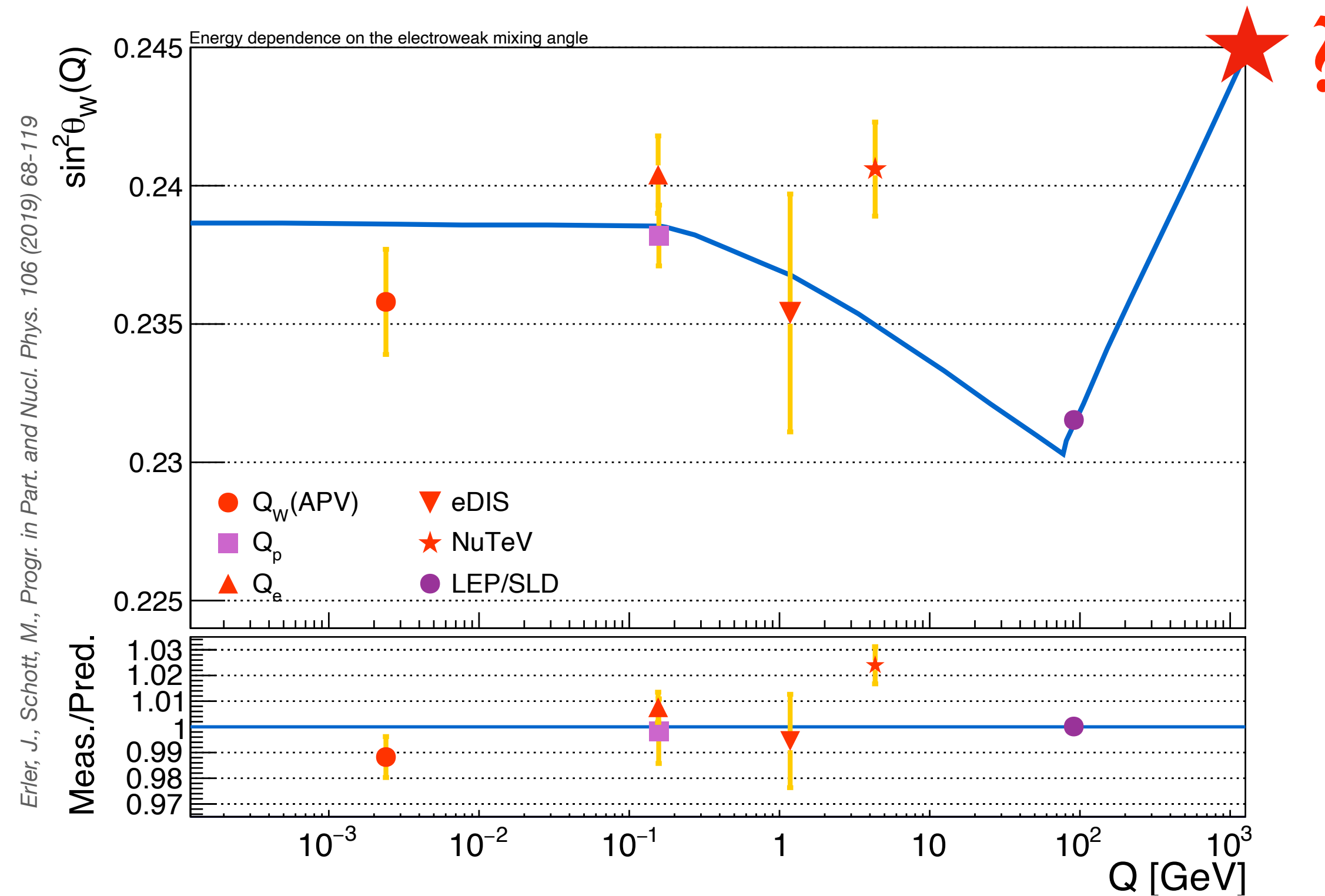
$\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$  is defined exactly at  $q^2 = m_Z^2$   $\rightarrow$  it is a test of the SM at this energy scale

$\rightarrow$  a test on an extended energy range possible by studying  $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}_{MS}(\mu_R^2)$

# The $\overline{\text{MS}}$ weak mixing angle $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R^2)$

In QFT couplings and masses are defined at a given energy scale  $\mu_R$

→ observables characterized by different energy scales allow to extract the “running” couplings testing QFT predictions



The RGE evolution depends on the number of active flavours contributing to the  $\beta$ -function  
Above  $\mu = m_W$  there is an change of sign which features a positive slope.

Can we test this prediction of the SM, i.e. 1) the running and 2) the value of the slope ?

# Fitting the MSbar weak mixing angle $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R^2)$

## How can we fit $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R^2)$ ?

- take the experimental lepton-pair invariant mass distribution in a given bin of mass  $m_{\ell\ell}$
- set  $\mu_R = m_{\ell\ell}$
- take the theoretical expression of the invariant mass distribution and fit  $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(m_{\ell\ell}^2)$  to the data

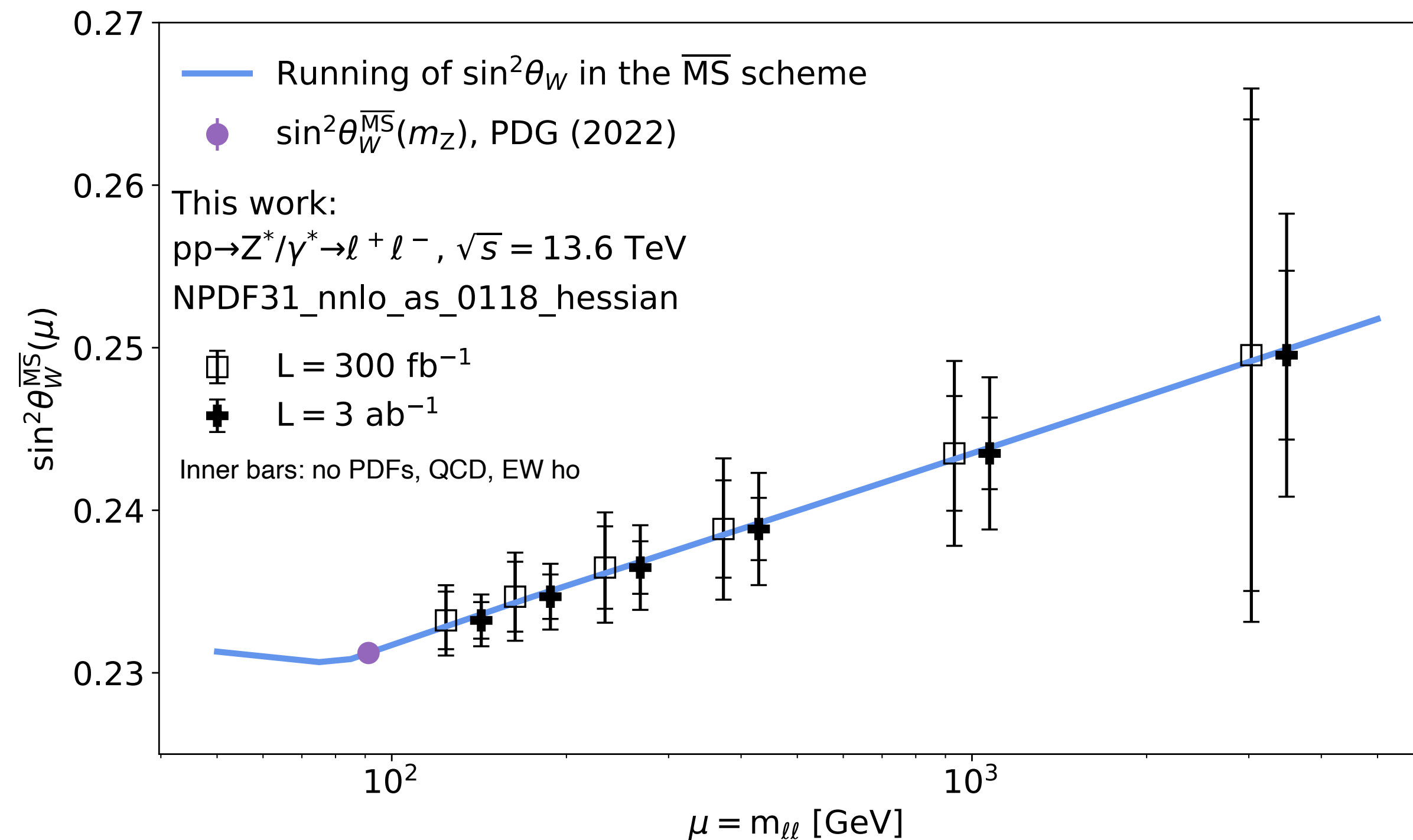
## Which theoretical expression should I use ?

- if we take the LO cross section  $\rightarrow$  we bias the result (faking a BSM effect)  
because we reabsorb quantum corrections not related to the coupling def  
in the fit parameter (e.g. QCD corrections)
- if we take the LO + NLO + NNLO + ... cross section  
 $\rightarrow$  we remove the source of bias thanks to an explicit description



# $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$ determination at hadron colliders at large invariant masses

S.Amoroso, M.Chiesa, C.L. Del Pio, E.Lipka, F.Piccinini, F.Vazzoler, AV, arXiv:2302.10782



The running of the MSbar angle can be established at LHC in Run III and at HL-LHC with percent precision.

For the actual measurement **the best theoretical predictions will be needed**, to avoid interpretation mismatches: full NNLO (QCD, EW and mixed QCDxEW) and leading higher orders

# Parity violation: what can be learned from precision e- p measurements at very low energies?

The P2 experiment in Mainz studies the scattering of intense polarized electron beams on protons

It offers alternative SM tests and probes of BSM physics

The asymmetry  $A_{PV} = \frac{\sigma_+ - \sigma_-}{\sigma_+ + \sigma_-} = \frac{-G_F Q^2}{4\sqrt{2}\pi\alpha_{em}} (Q_W - F(E_i, Q^2))$  is obtained polarising the electron beam

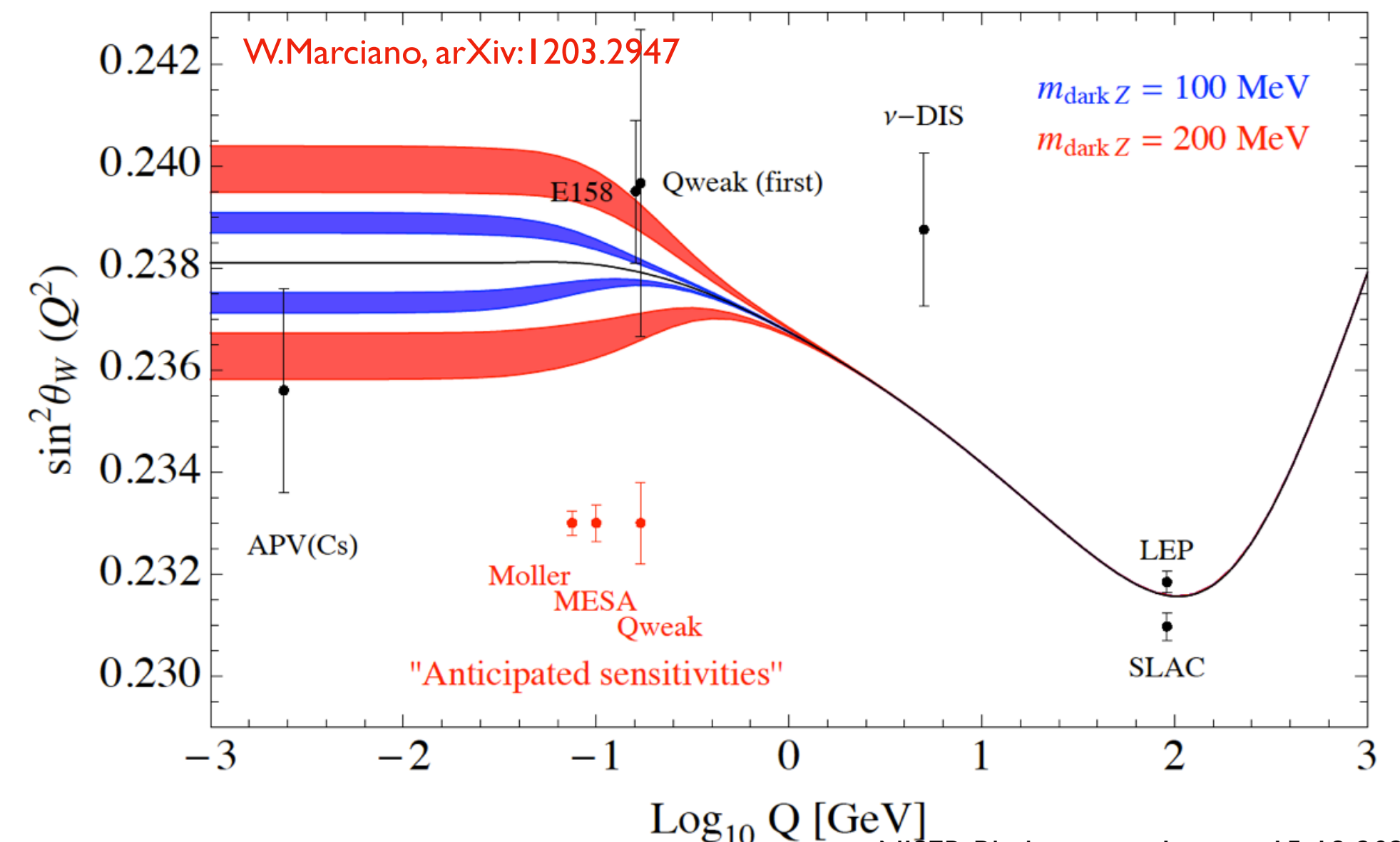
$$A_{PV}(P2) \sim -40 \cdot 10^{-9}$$

- $A_{PV}$  is proportional to the weak charge of the proton, accidentally suppressed in the SM:  $Q_W(p) = 1 - 4 \sin^2 \theta_W \sim 0.09$   
 → a measurement at the 1.4% level of  $A_{PV}(P2)$  allows a determination of  $\sin^2 \theta_W$  with an error  $\Delta \sin^2 \theta_W \sim 33 \cdot 10^{-5}$   
 (cfr. LEP error  $\Delta \sin^2 \theta_W \sim 16 \cdot 10^{-5}$ )

→ BSM effects might emerge with good significance

→ complementary tests at very low and very high energies for the same running parameter

→ the RGE solution depends on boundary and matching conditions then the running is a testable prediction

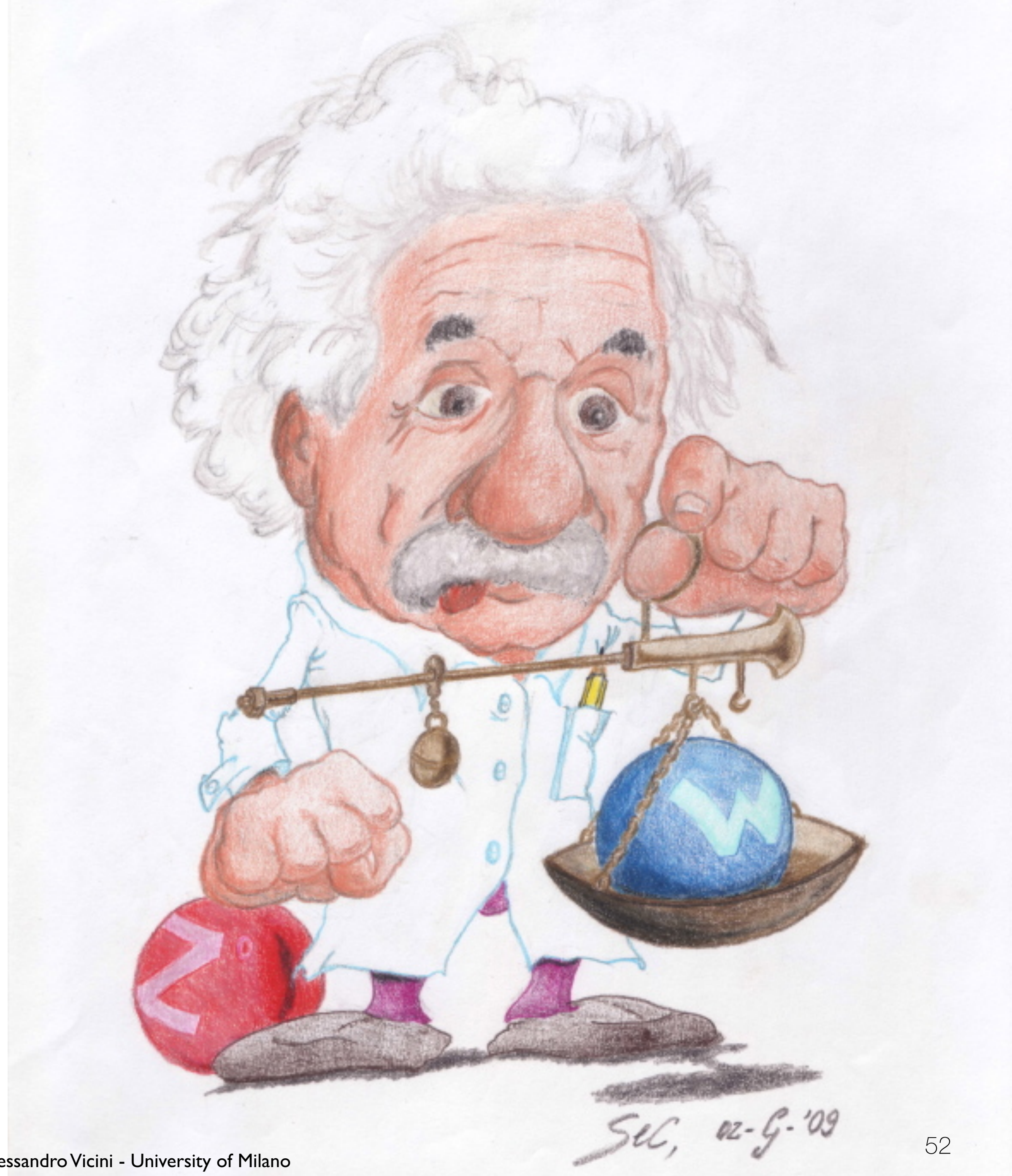


# Concluding remarks

# Conclusions

- The tests of the SM can be performed in two different ways:
  - 1) comparing the predictions for cross sections and asymmetries with the experimental values
    - the HL-LHC precision can be matched by including at least N<sup>3</sup>LO-QCD and NNLO-EW corrections
    - by using combined QCD and QED resummation of enhanced contributions
  - 2) comparing the predictions for the parameters of the SM with the corresponding experimental determinations
    - extracting a parameter from the data requires the usage of a fitting model with that parameter in input
    - improved calculations are needed to minimise the theoretical systematic error on the parameter determination
- Testing the energy dependence of the predictions is a powerful tool to exploit the large amount of high precision data
  - the  $\overline{\text{MS}}$  weak mixing angle offers the possibility to test the SM from the eV to the TeV energy range
  - any BSM study (e.g. the SMEFT coefficients) must be done on top of the best SM results to avoid fake conclusions

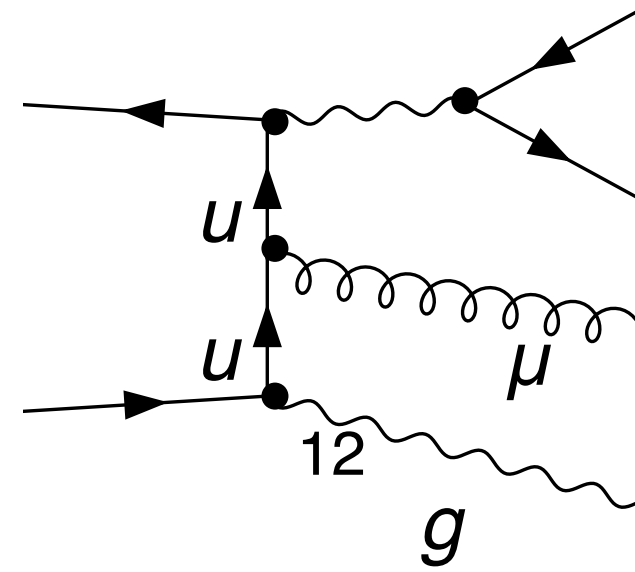




Thank you



# Different kinds of contributions at $\mathcal{O}(\alpha\alpha_s)$ and corresponding problems

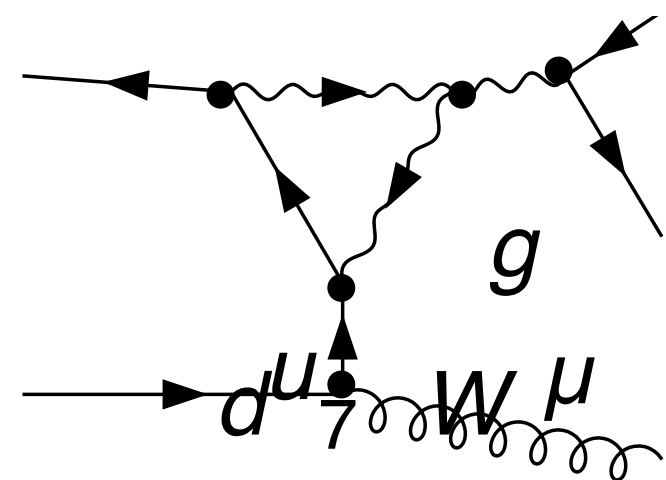


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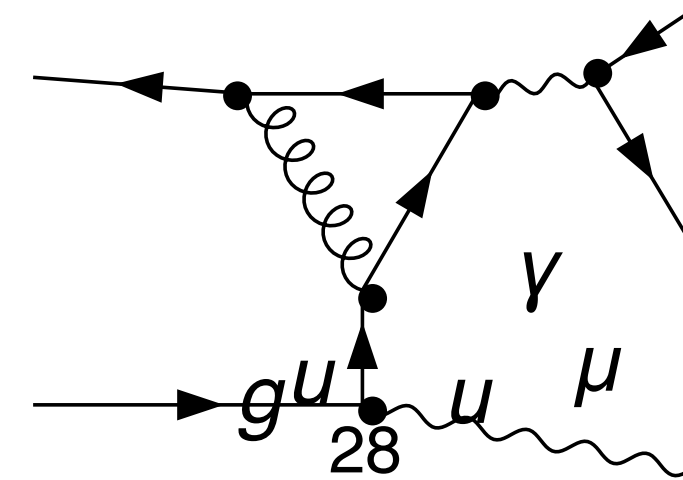


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1-loop UV renormalisation and IR subtraction

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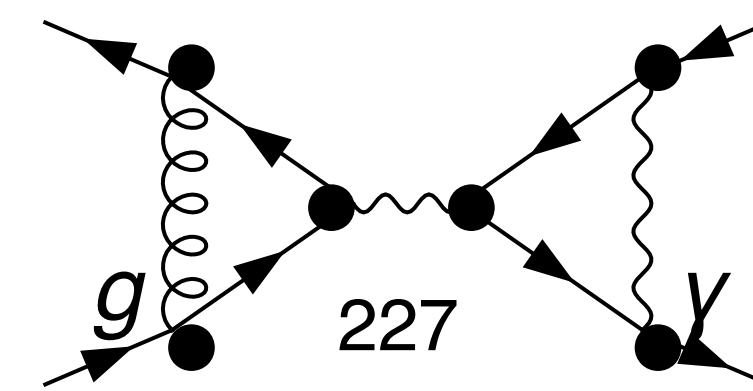
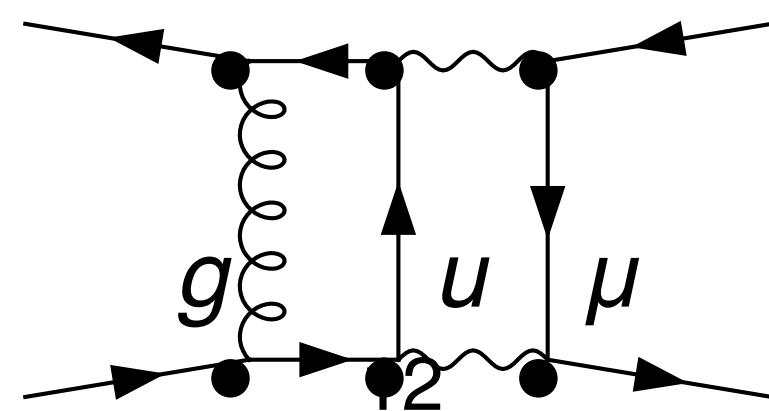
$\gamma_5$  treatment

2-loop UV renormalization

subtraction of the IR divergences

solution and evaluation of the Master Integrals

numerical evaluation of the squared matrix element



The double-real and real-virtual corrections already known from studies of the large transverse momentum lepton pair final state

A.Denner, S.Dittmaier, T.Kasprzik, A.Muck, arXiv:1103.0914, A.Denner, S.Dittmaier, M.Hecht, C.Pasold, arXiv:1510.08742 J.Lindert et al., arXiv:1705.04664

Now we can consider the inclusive spectrum, also in the  $q_T \rightarrow 0$  limit

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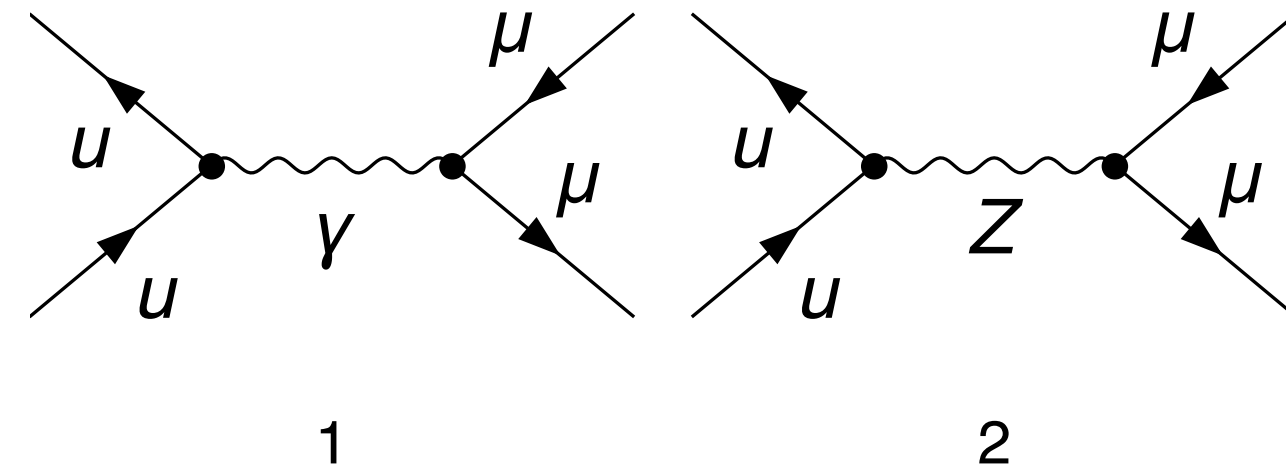
$$\mathcal{H}^{(1,1)} = H^{(1,1)} C_1 C_2 \quad 2\text{Re}\langle \mathcal{M}^{(0,0)} | \mathcal{M}^{(1,1)} \rangle = \sum_{k=-4}^0 \varepsilon^k f_i(s, t, m) \quad | \mathcal{M}_{fin} \rangle \equiv (1 - I) | \mathcal{M} \rangle \quad H \propto \langle \mathcal{M}_0 | \mathcal{M}_{fin} \rangle$$

The IR poles are removed from the full 2-loop amplitude by means of a subtraction procedure (matching the real radiation one)



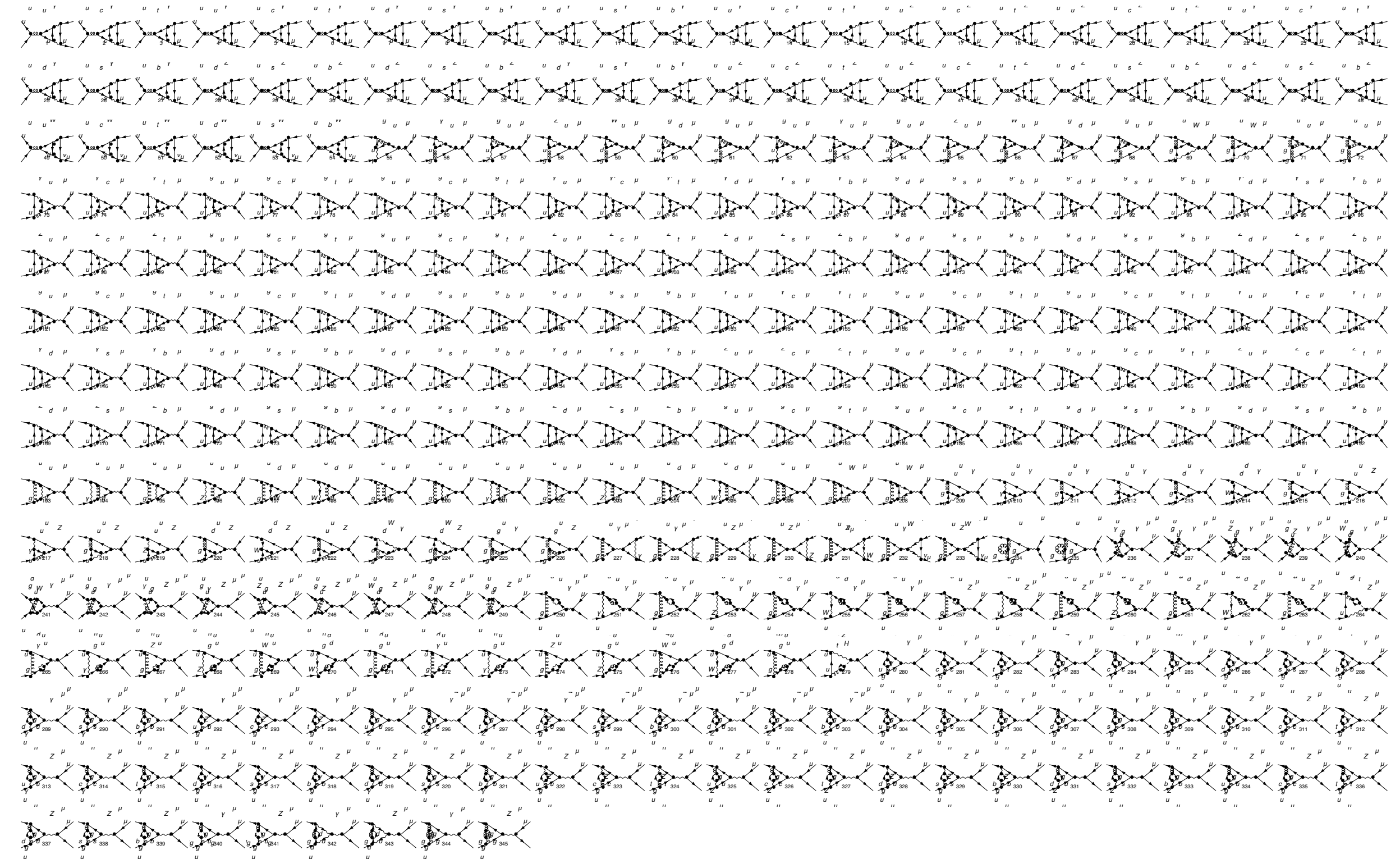
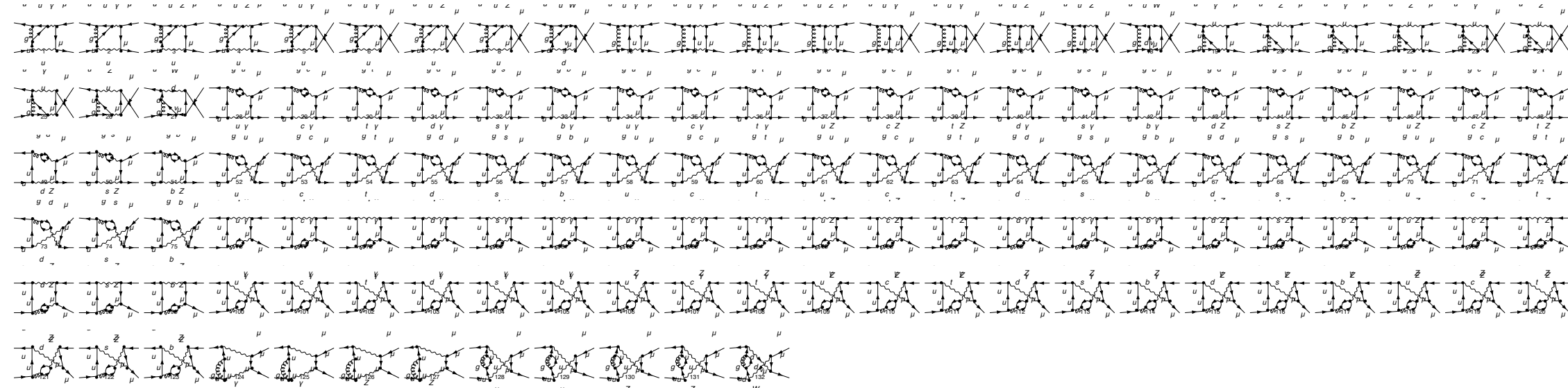
# The double virtual amplitude: generation of the amplitude

$$\mathcal{M}^{(0,0)}(q\bar{q} \rightarrow l\bar{l}) =$$



$$\mathcal{M}^{(1,1)}(q\bar{q} \rightarrow l\bar{l}) =$$

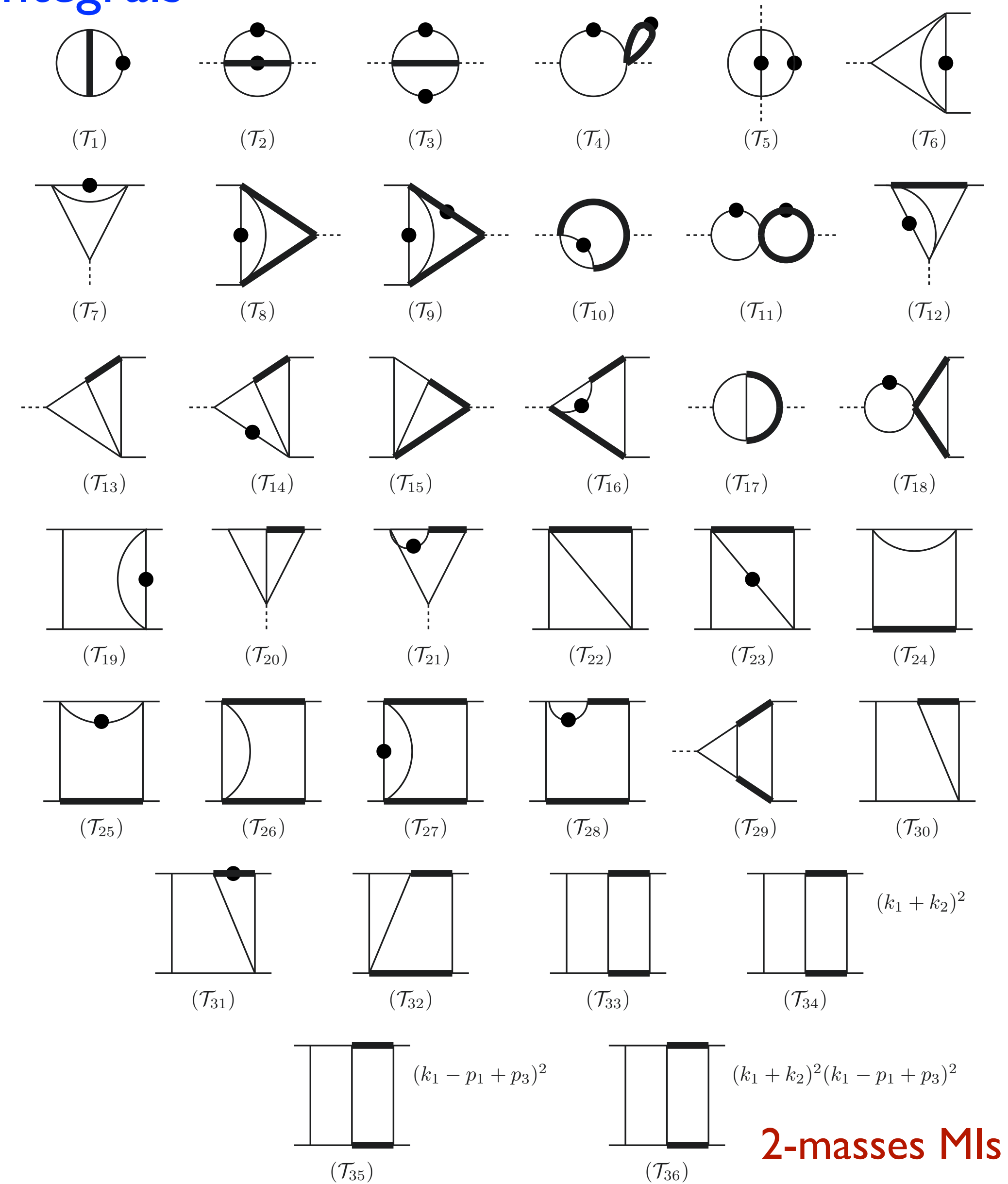
**O(1000) self-energies + O(300) vertex corrections + O(130) box corrections + 1loop x 1loop  
(before discarding all those vanishing for colour conservation, e.g. no fermionic triangles)**





# The double virtual amplitude: reduction to Master Integrals

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The coefficients  $c_i$  are rational functions of the invariants, masses and of  $\varepsilon$   
 The size of the total expression can rapidly “explode”

→ careful work to identify the patterns of recurring subexpressions  
 keeping the total size in the O(1-10 MB) range

**The complexity of the MIs depends on the number of energy scales**  
 MIs relevant for the QCD-QED corrections, with massive final state

Bonciani, Ferroglia, Gehrmann, Maitre, Studerus., arXiv:0806.2301, 0906.3671

MIs with 1 or 2 internal mass relevant for the EW form factor

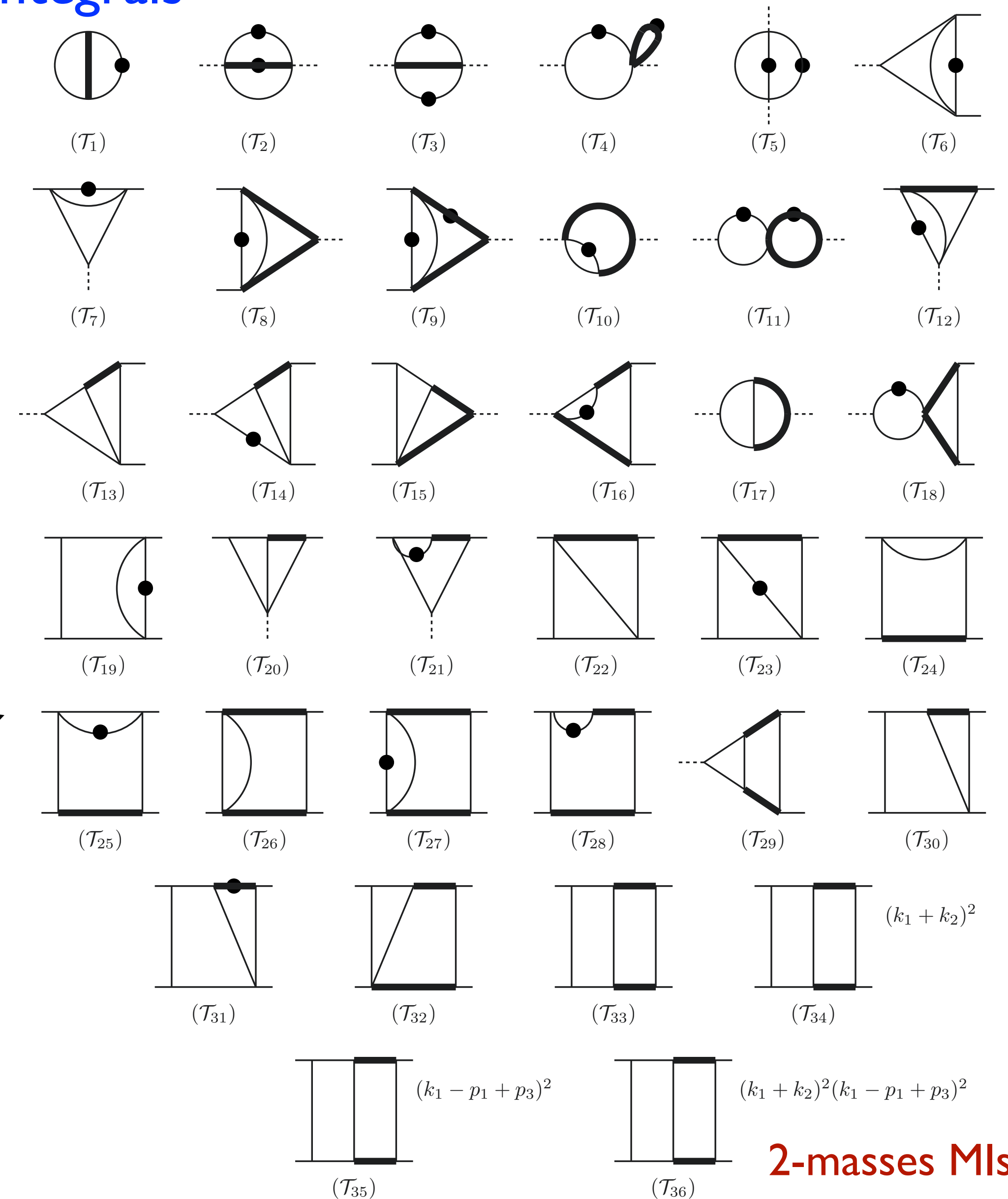
Aglietti, Bonciani, hep-ph/0304028, hep-ph/0401193

31 MIs with 1 mass and 36 MIs with 2 masses including boxes,  
 relevant for the QCD-weak corrections to the full Drell-Yan

Bonciani, Di Vita, Mastrolia, Schubert., arXiv:1604.08581

**In the 2-mass case, 5 box integrals in Chen-Goncharov representation**  
 → problematic numerical evaluation → need an alternative strategy

cfr. also Heller, von Manteuffel, Schabinger, arXiv:1907.00491 for a representation of the MIs in terms of GPLs  
 arXiv:2012.05918 for a description of the 2-loop virtual amplitude



**2-masses MIs**

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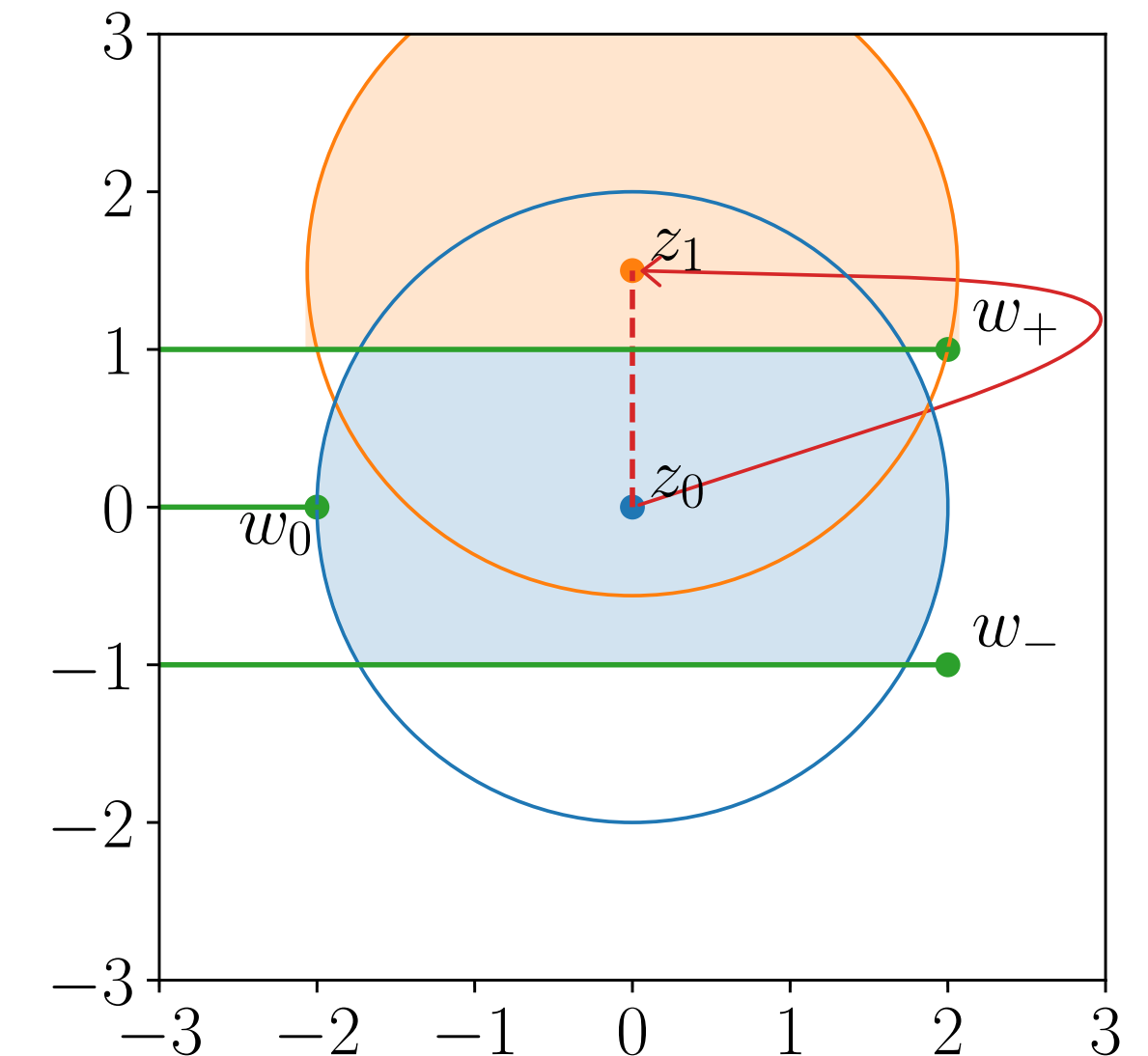
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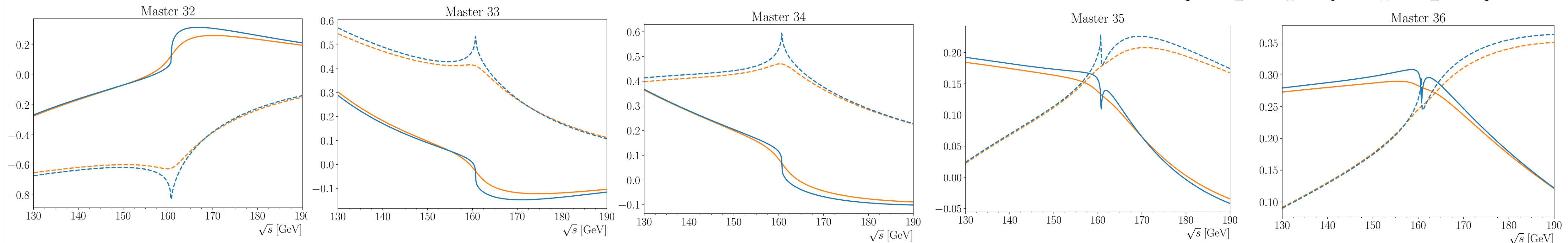
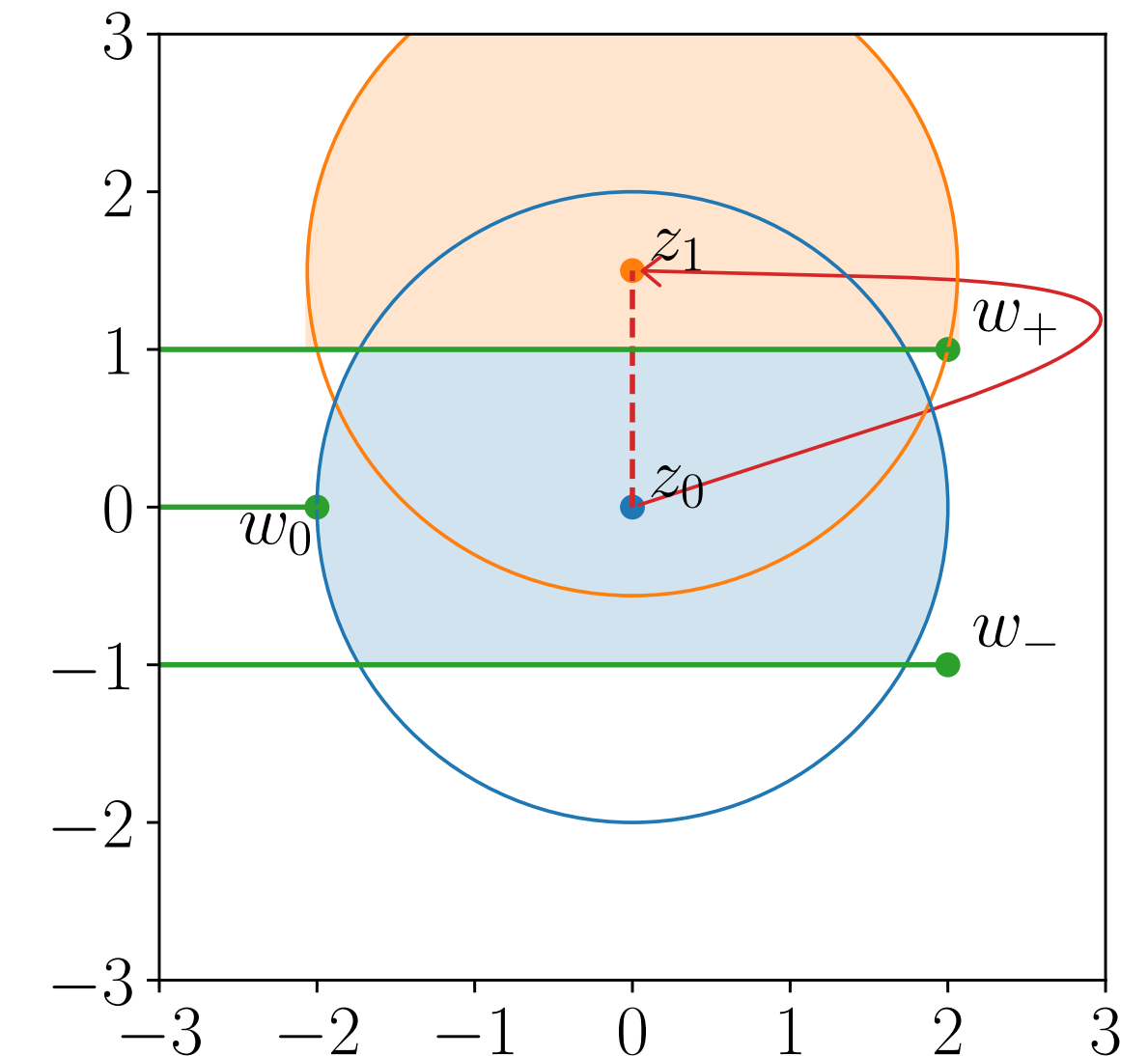
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# Numerical evaluation of the hard coefficient function

The interference term  $2\text{Re}\langle \mathcal{M}^{(1,1),fin} | \mathcal{M}^{(0,0)} \rangle$  contributes to the hard function  $H^{(1,1)}$

After the subtraction of all the universal IR divergences, it is a finite correction

It has been published in arXiv:2201.01754 and is available as a Mathematica notebook

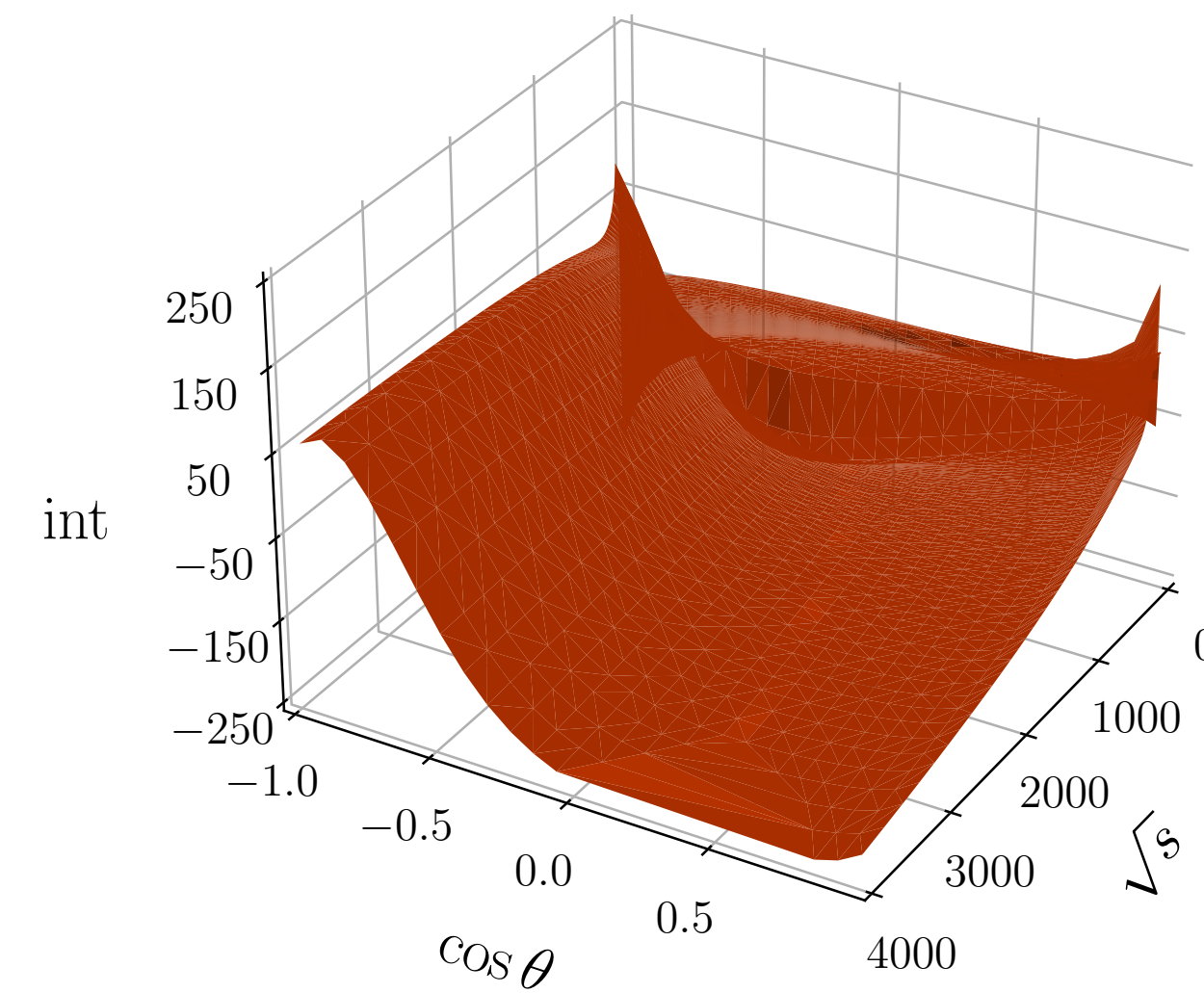
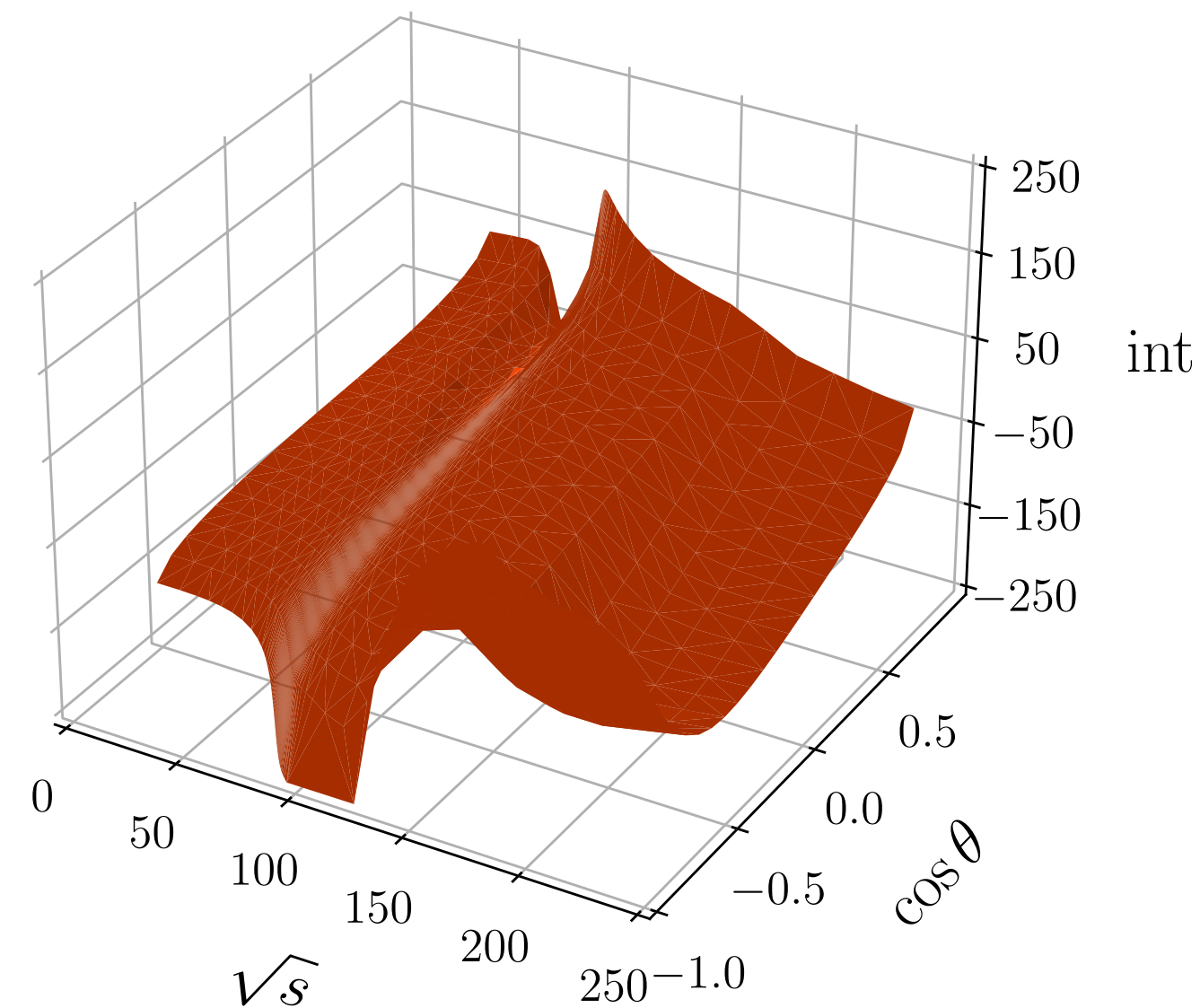
Several checks of the MIs performed with Fiesta, PySecDec and AMFlow

A numerical grid has been prepared for all the 36 MIs, with GiNaC and SeaSyde (T.Armadillo, R.Bonciani, S.Devoto, N.Rana, AV, 2205.03345), covering the whole  $2 \rightarrow 2$  phase space in  $(s,t)$ , in  $O(12 \text{ h})$  on one 32-cores machine

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values at arbitrary phase space points with excellent accuracy via interpolation, with negligible evaluation time

in units  $\frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \sigma_0$



# Compatibility and combination of world W-boson mass determinations

LHC-TeV MW working group, [arXiv:2308.09417](https://arxiv.org/abs/2308.09417)

# Input Measurements for combination

- CDF –  $p\bar{p}$  collisions @  $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$  TeV; fit variables are  $p_T^l$ ,  $p_T^\nu$  and  $m_T$ .
- D0 – two separate measurements using  $p\bar{p}$  collisions @  $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$  TeV; fit variables are  $p_T^e$ ,  $m_T$  and  $p_T^\nu$ .
- ATLAS –  $pp$  collisions @  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV; central region at LHC; fit variables are  $p_T^l$  and  $m_T$ .  
*[Original analysis used following agreement to use published results]*
- LHCb –  $pp$  collisions @  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV; forward region at LHC; fit variable is  $q/p_T^\mu$ .
- LEP – legacy combination from LEP experiments.

Experiment	Event requirements	Fit ranges
CDF	$30 < p_T^l < 55$ GeV $ \eta_l  < 1$ $30 < E_T^{miss} < 55$ GeV $65 < m_T < 90$ GeV $u_T < 15$ GeV	$32 < p_T^l < 48$ GeV $32 < E_T^{miss} < 48$ GeV $60 < m_T < 100$ GeV
D0	$p_T^e > 25$ GeV $ \eta_l  < 1.05$ $E_T^{miss} > 25$ GeV $m_T > 50$ GeV $u_T < 15$ GeV	$32 < p_T^e < 48$ GeV $65 < m_T < 90$ GeV
ATLAS	$p_T^l > 30$ GeV $ \eta_l  < 2.4$ $E_T^{miss} > 30$ GeV $m_T > 60$ GeV $u_T < 30$ GeV	$32 < p_T^l < 45$ GeV $66 < m_T < 99$ GeV
LHCb	$p_T^\mu > 24$ GeV $2.2 < \eta_\mu < 4.4$	$28 < p_T^\mu < 52$ GeV



The measurements span two decades → remarkable theoretical progress

The analyses are based on different PDF sets and event generators, with different theoretical content

- D0: RESBOS CP (N2LO, N2LL) with CTEQ66 PDFs (NLO)
- CDF: RESBOS C (NLO, N2LL) with CTEQ6M PDFs (NLO) [CDF publication applied a correction to reproduce Resbos2 + NNPDF3.1]
- ATLAS: POWHEG + Pythia8 (NLO+PS) with DYTurbo for Angular Distribution (N2LO) with CT10 PDFs (NNLO)
- LHCb: POWHEG + Pythia8 (NLO+PS) with DYTurbo for Angular Distribution (N2LO) with averaged result from MSHT20, NNPDF31 and CT18 PDFs (NLO)

The combination study seeks to “update” the measurements to a common QCD framework before their compatibility is assessed and, eventually, the results are combined

$$m_W^{update} = m_W^{ref} + \delta m_W^{PDF} + \delta m_W^{pol} + \delta m_W^{other}$$

Published value      Update to common PDF      Common W polarisation      Additional (small) updates

The LHCb measurement has been “repeated”, using the same code framework but different PDF sets  
Effect of updates on other measurements estimated with two simulated samples from two models

## Fitting pseudodata

The impact on  $m_W$  is estimated by fitting reference and updated distribution using the same fitting model

The comparison of PDF effects has been performed using the Wj-MINNLO event generator

The reference generators for the study of pQCD corrections are ResBos (CDF,D0) and DYTurbo (ATLAS, LHCb)

## Detector emulation

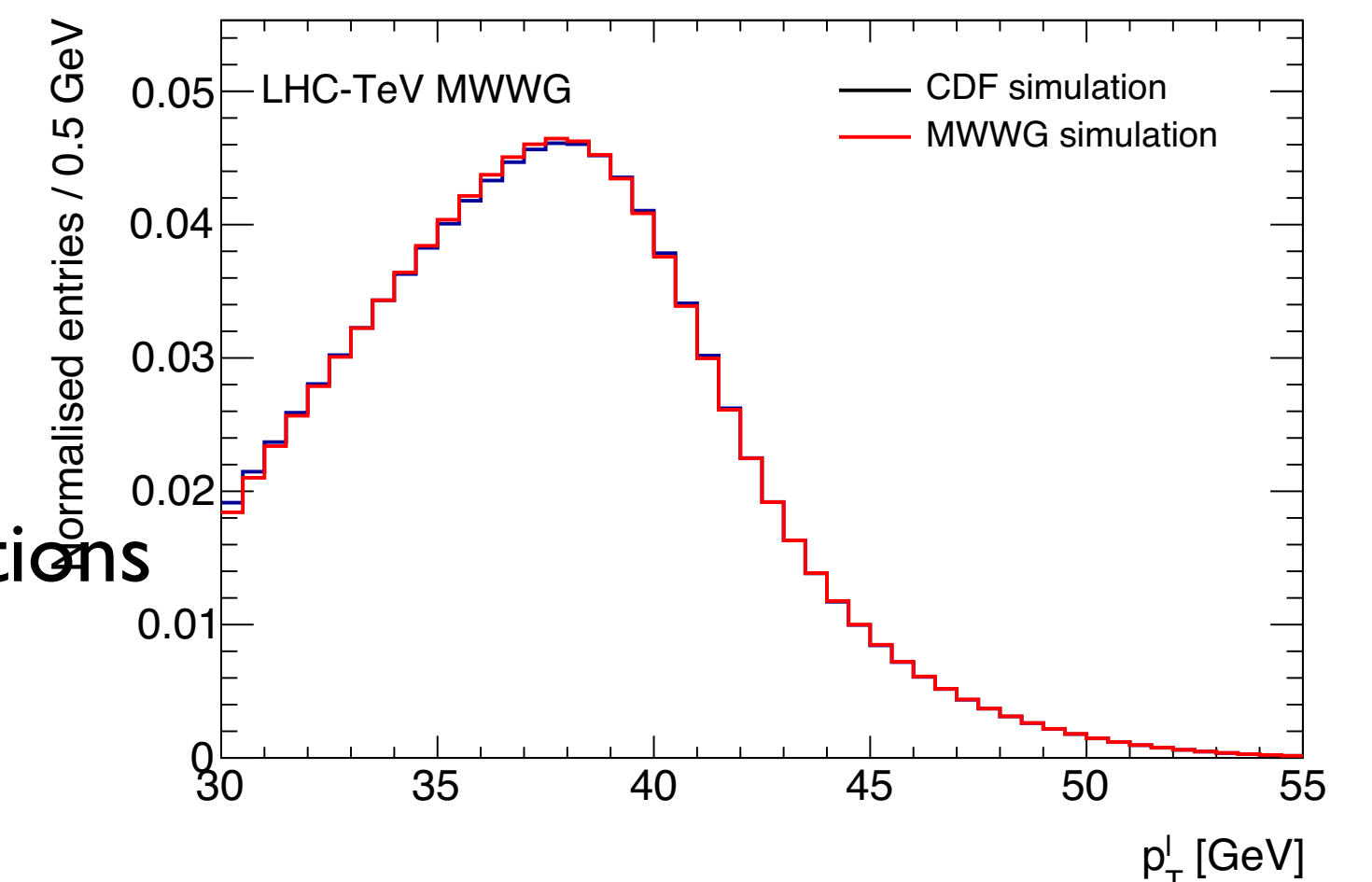
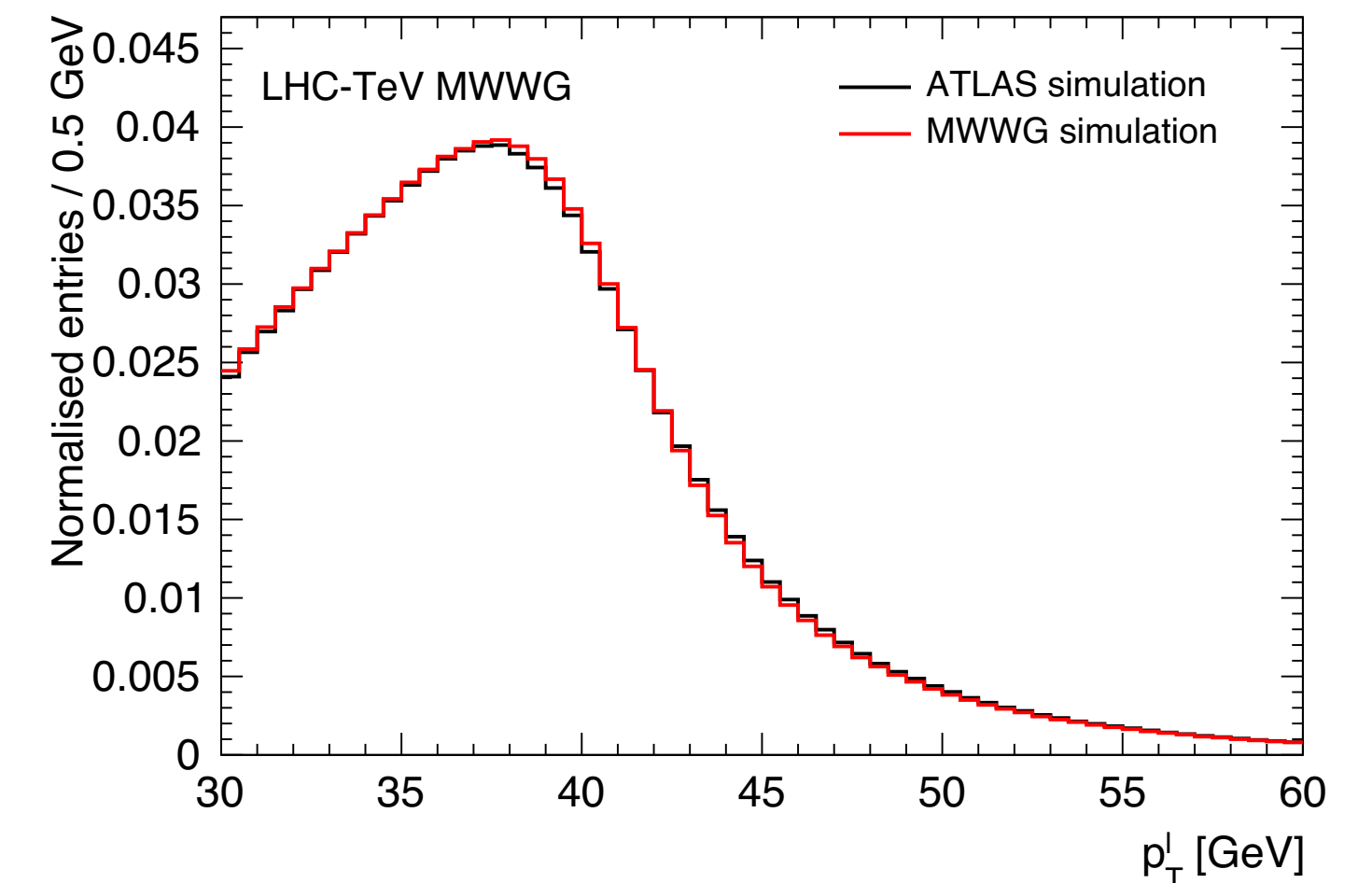
The ATLAS, CDF and D0 detectors have been emulated

- $\eta$ - and  $p_{\perp}$ -dependent smearing of leptons
- Recoil modelling includes lepton removal and event activity effects
- Agreement typically at the percent level between the full simulation and the LHC-TeV MWWG emulation
- Small imperfections in the emulation lead to MeV-level uncertainties on  $\delta m_W$

## The $p_{\perp}^Z$ ( $p_{\perp}^W$ ) constraint

After all the updates, the distributions are reweighed to reproduce the exp.  $p_{\perp}^Z$  distributions

The constraints by  $p_{\perp}^W$  are also included, when available.





# Compatibility of PDF sets with Drell-Yan data

Measurement	NNPDF3.1	NNPDF4.0	MMHT14	MSHT20	CT14	CT18	ABMP16
CDF $y_Z$	24 / 28	28 / 28	30 / 28	32 / 28	29 / 28	27 / 28	31 / 28
CDF $A_W$	11 / 13	14 / 13	12 / 13	28 / 13	12 / 13	11 / 13	21 / 13
D0 $y_Z$	22 / 28	23 / 28	23 / 28	24 / 28	22 / 28	22 / 28	22 / 28
D0 $W \rightarrow e\nu A_e$	22 / 13	23 / 13	52 / 13	42 / 13	21 / 13	19 / 13	26 / 13
D0 $W \rightarrow \mu\nu A_e$	12 / 10	12 / 10	11 / 10	11 / 10	11 / 10	12 / 10	11 / 10
ATLAS peak CC $y_Z$	13 / 12	13 / 12	58 / 12	17 / 12	12 / 12	11 / 12	18 / 12
ATLAS $W^- y_e$	12 / 11	12 / 11	33 / 11	16 / 11	13 / 11	10 / 11	14 / 11
ATLAS $W^+ y_e$	9 / 11	9 / 11	15 / 11	12 / 11	9 / 11	9 / 11	10 / 11
Correlated $\chi^2$	75	62	210	88	81	41	83
Total $\chi^2$ / d.o.f.	200 / 126	196 / 126	444 / 126	270 / 126	210 / 126	162 / 126	236 / 126
$p(\chi^2, n)$	0.003%	0.007%	$< 10^{-10}$	$< 10^{-10}$	0.0004%	1.5%	$10^{-8}$

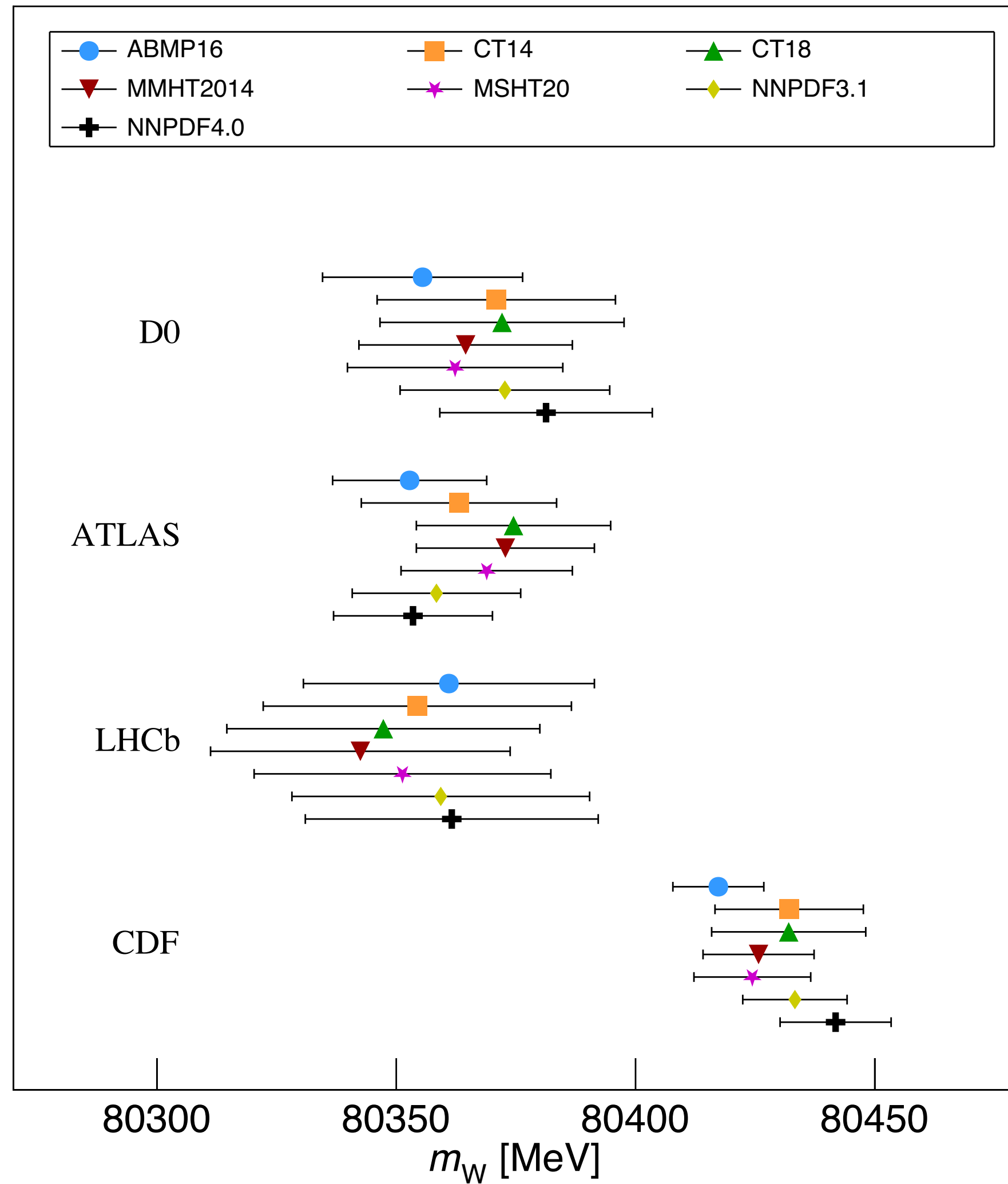
No PDF set provides a good description of the full Tevatron+LHC dataset

Best description given by CT18 (which has larger uncertainties)

CT18 therefore taken as the default PDF set

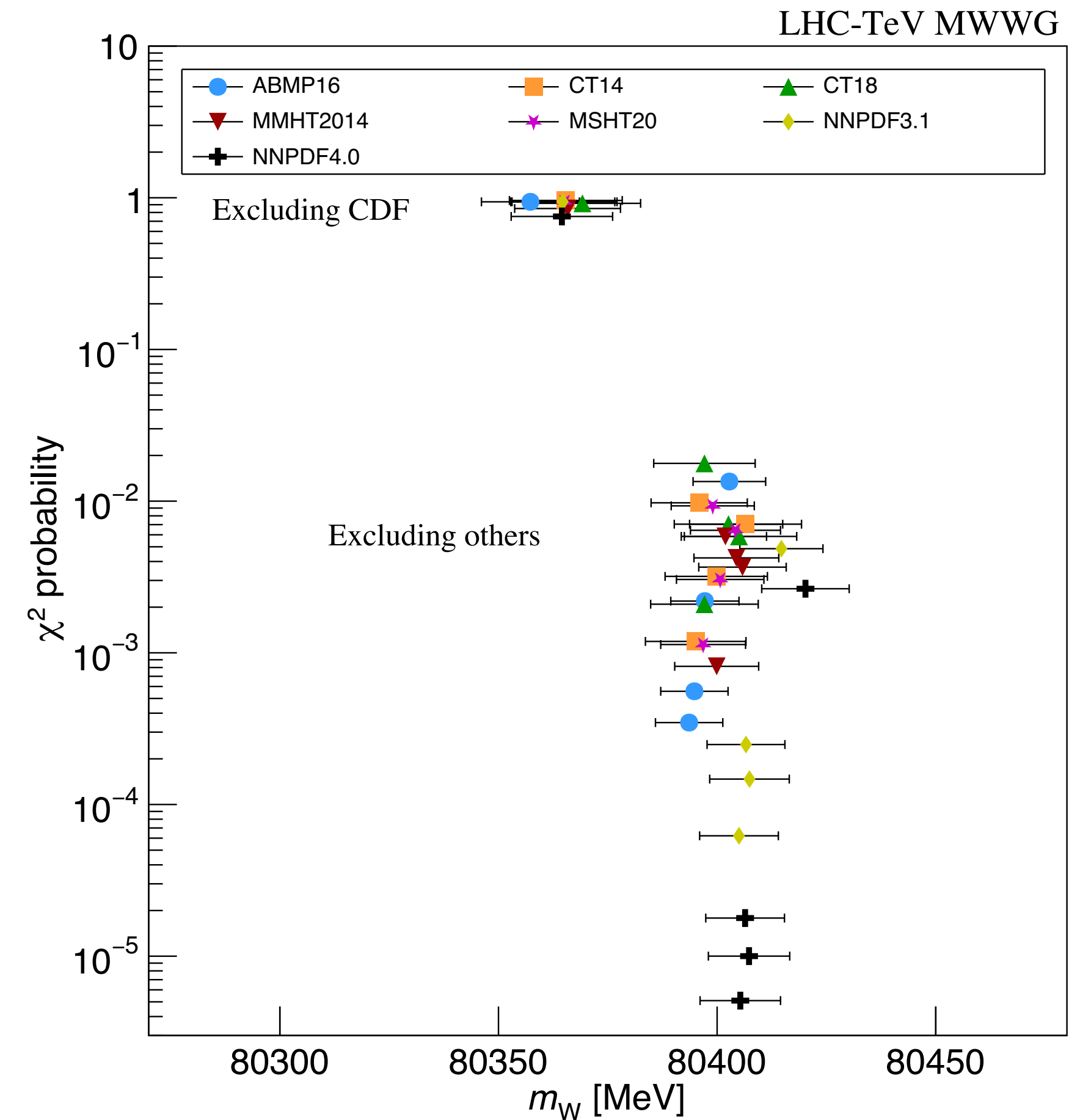
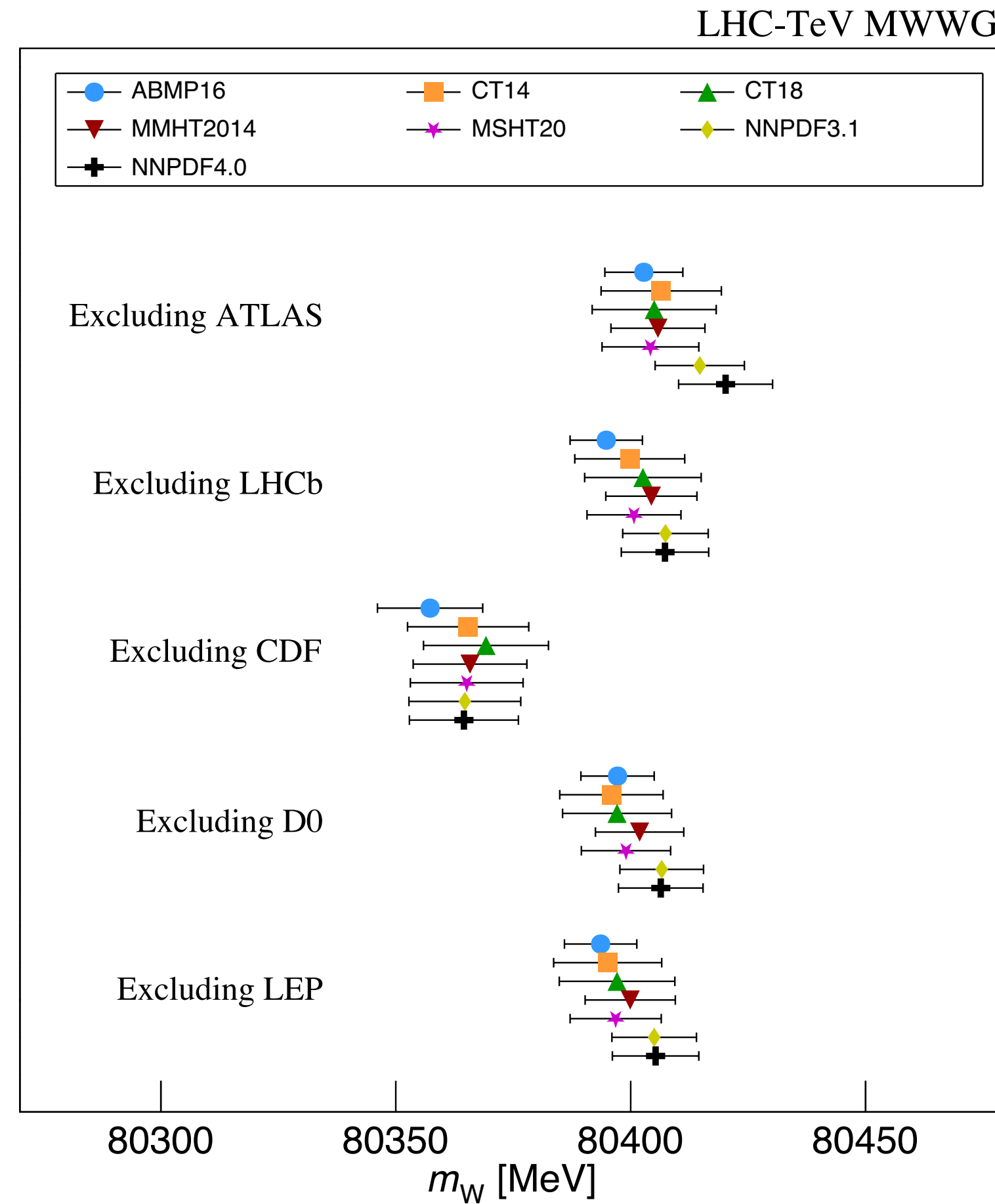
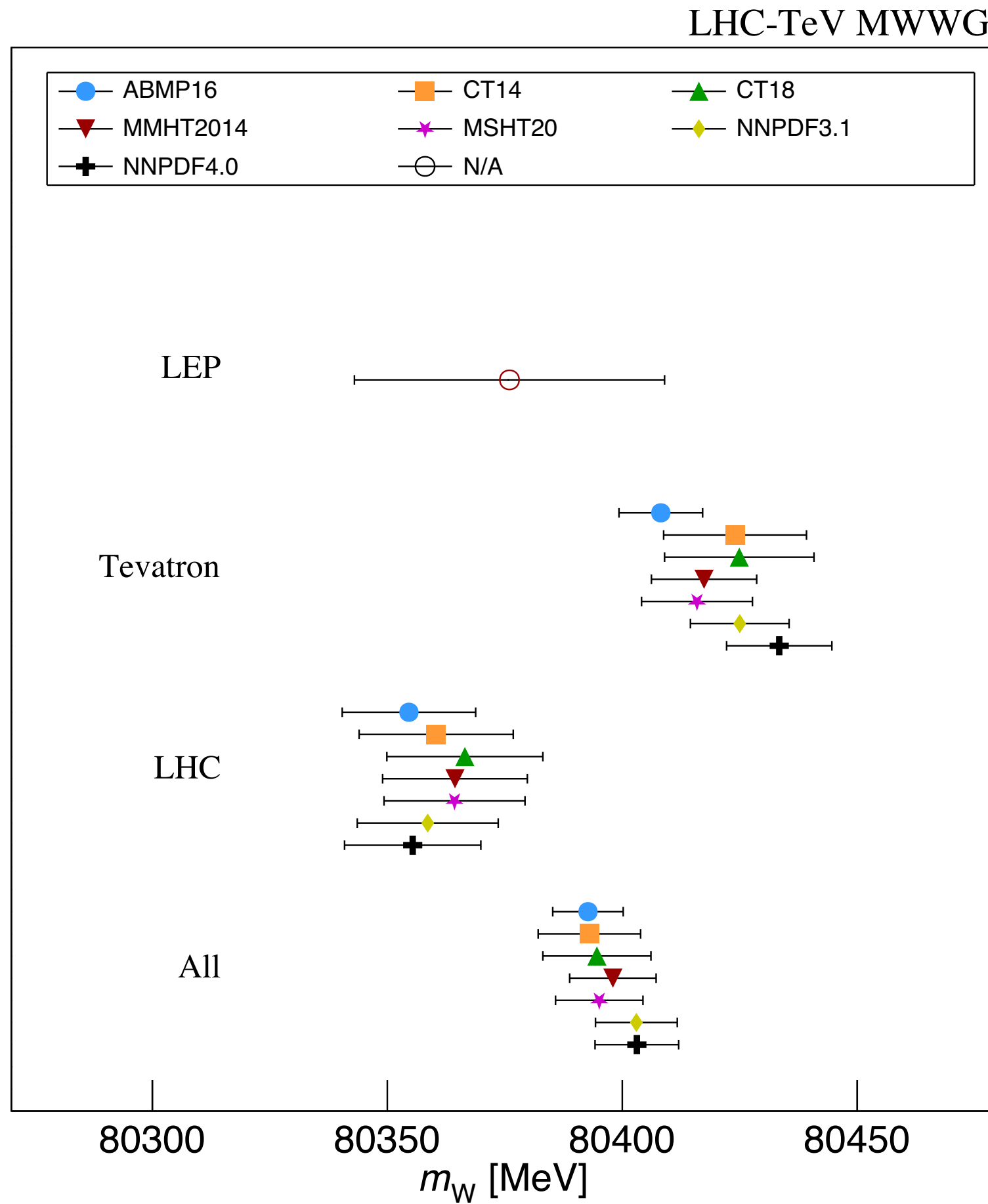
## Input measurements with updates applied

LHC-TeV MWWG



All experiments (4 d.o.f.)				
PDF set	$m_W$	$\sigma_{\text{PDF}}$	$\chi^2$	$p(\chi^2, n)$
ABMP16	$80392.7 \pm 7.5$	3.2	29	0.0008%
CT14	$80393.0 \pm 10.9$	7.1	16	0.3%
CT18	$80394.6 \pm 11.5$	7.7	15	0.5%
MMHT2014	$80398.0 \pm 9.2$	5.8	17	0.2%
MSHT20	$80395.1 \pm 9.3$	5.8	16	0.3%
NNPDF3.1	$80403.0 \pm 8.7$	5.3	23	0.1%
NNPDF4.0	$80403.1 \pm 8.9$	5.3	28	0.001%

No combination of all measurements provides a good  $\chi^2$  probability  
the full combination, including CDF, is disfavoured



Combinations with CDF excluded have good compatibility:  $m_W = 80369.2 \pm 13.3$  MeV (CT18)

the  $\chi^2$  probability is 91%

relative weights: 42% (ATLAS), 23% (D0), 18% (LHCb), 16% (LEP)

The inclusion of CDF brings the  $\chi^2$  probability below 0.5%

# PDF effects from the study of the $p_{\perp}^{\ell}$ or $p_{\perp}^{\nu}$ distributions

$\delta m_W^{PDF}$

PDF set	D0 $p_T^{\ell}$	D0 $p_T^{\nu}$	CDF $p_T^{\ell}$	CDF $p_T^{\nu}$	ATLAS $W^+$	ATLAS $W^-$	LHCb
CTEQ6	-17.0	-17.7	0.0	0.0	-	-	-
CTEQ6.6	0.0	0.0	15.0	17.0	-	-	-
CT10	0.4	-1.3	16.0	16.3	0.0	0.0	-
CT14	-9.7	-10.6	5.8	6.8	-1.2	-5.8	1.1
CT18	-8.2	-9.3	7.2	7.7	12.1	-2.3	-6.0
ABMP16	-19.6	-21.5	-1.4	-2.4	-22.5	-3.1	7.7
MMHT2014	-10.4	-12.7	6.1	5.5	-2.6	9.9	-10.8
MSHT20	-13.7	-15.4	3.6	4.1	-20.9	4.5	-2.0
NNPDF3.1	-1.0	-1.2	14.0	15.1	-14.1	-1.8	6.0
NNPDF4.0	6.7	8.1	20.8	24.1	-22.4	6.9	8.3

$\sigma_{PDF}(m_W)$

PDF set	D0	CDF	ATLAS	LHCb
CTEQ6	-	14.1	-	-
CTEQ6.6	15.1	-	-	-
CT10	-	-	9.2	-
CT14	13.8	12.4	11.4	10.8
CT18	14.9	13.4	10.0	12.2
ABMP16	4.5	3.9	4.0	3.0
MMHT2014	8.8	7.7	8.8	8.0
MSHT20	9.4	8.5	7.8	6.8
NNPDF3.1	7.7	6.6	7.4	7.0
NNPDF4.0	8.6	7.7	5.3	4.1

The Tevatron combination did not consider  
 $\delta m_W^{PDF}(\text{CTEQ6,CTEQ6.6}) \sim 17 \text{ MeV}$

Uncertainties here in some cases larger than in original publications  
 e.g. for CDF the NNPDF3.1 uncertainty from 3.9 to 6.6 MeV



# Leptonic angular distributions and QCD corrections

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dp_{\perp}^W dy_W dm_W d\Omega} = \frac{d\sigma}{dp_{\perp}^W dy_W dm_W} \left\{ 1 + \cos^2 \theta + \frac{1}{2} A_0 (1 - 3 \cos^2 \theta) + A_1 \sin 2\theta \cos \phi + \frac{1}{2} A_2 \sin^2 \theta \cos 2\phi + A_3 \sin \theta \cos \phi + A_4 \cos \theta + A_5 \sin^2 \theta \sin 2\phi + A_6 \sin 2\theta \sin \phi + A_7 \sin \theta \sin \phi \right\}$$

ATLAS and LHCb use DYTurbo and quote an uncertainty on the  $A_i \rightarrow$  no additional corrections

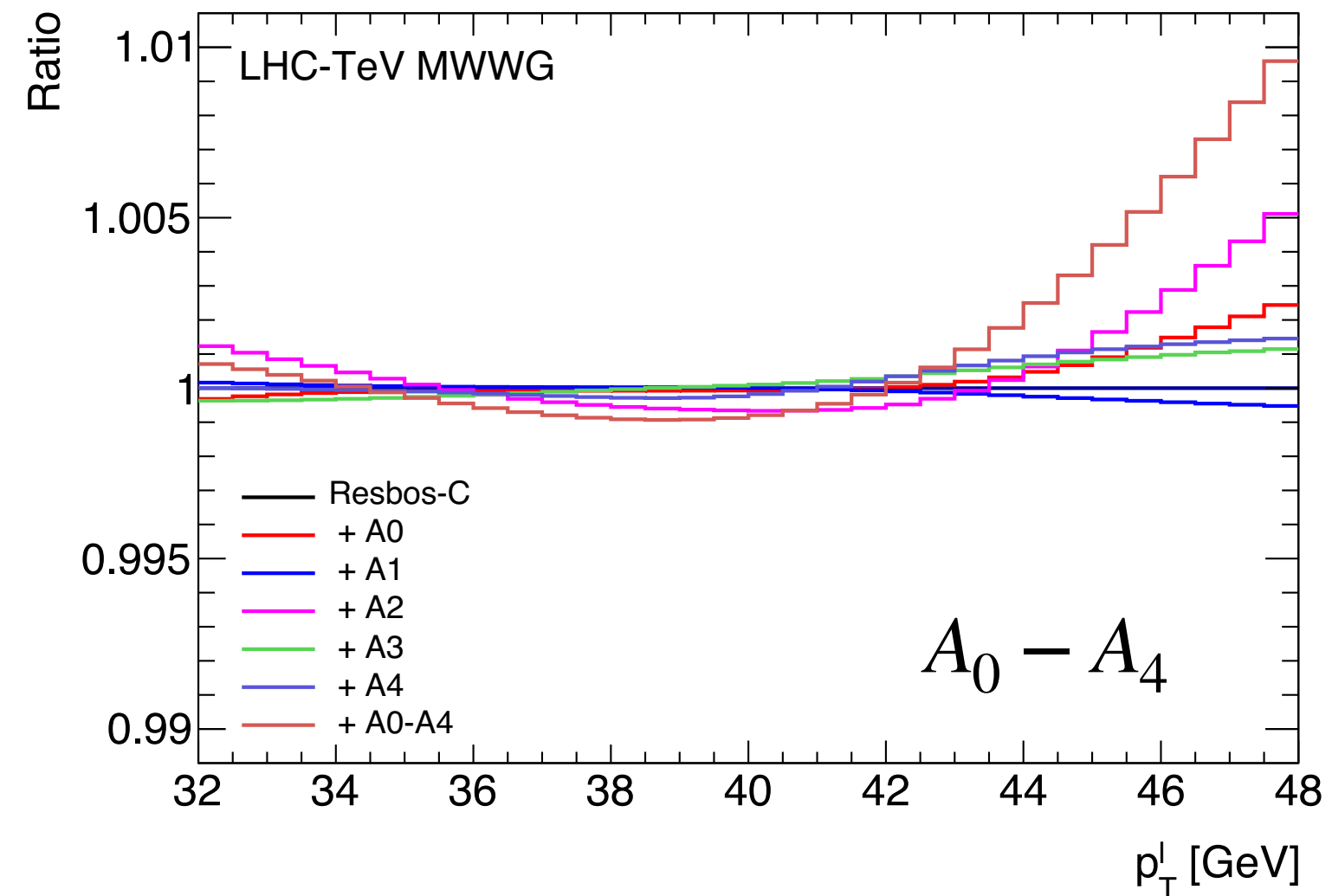
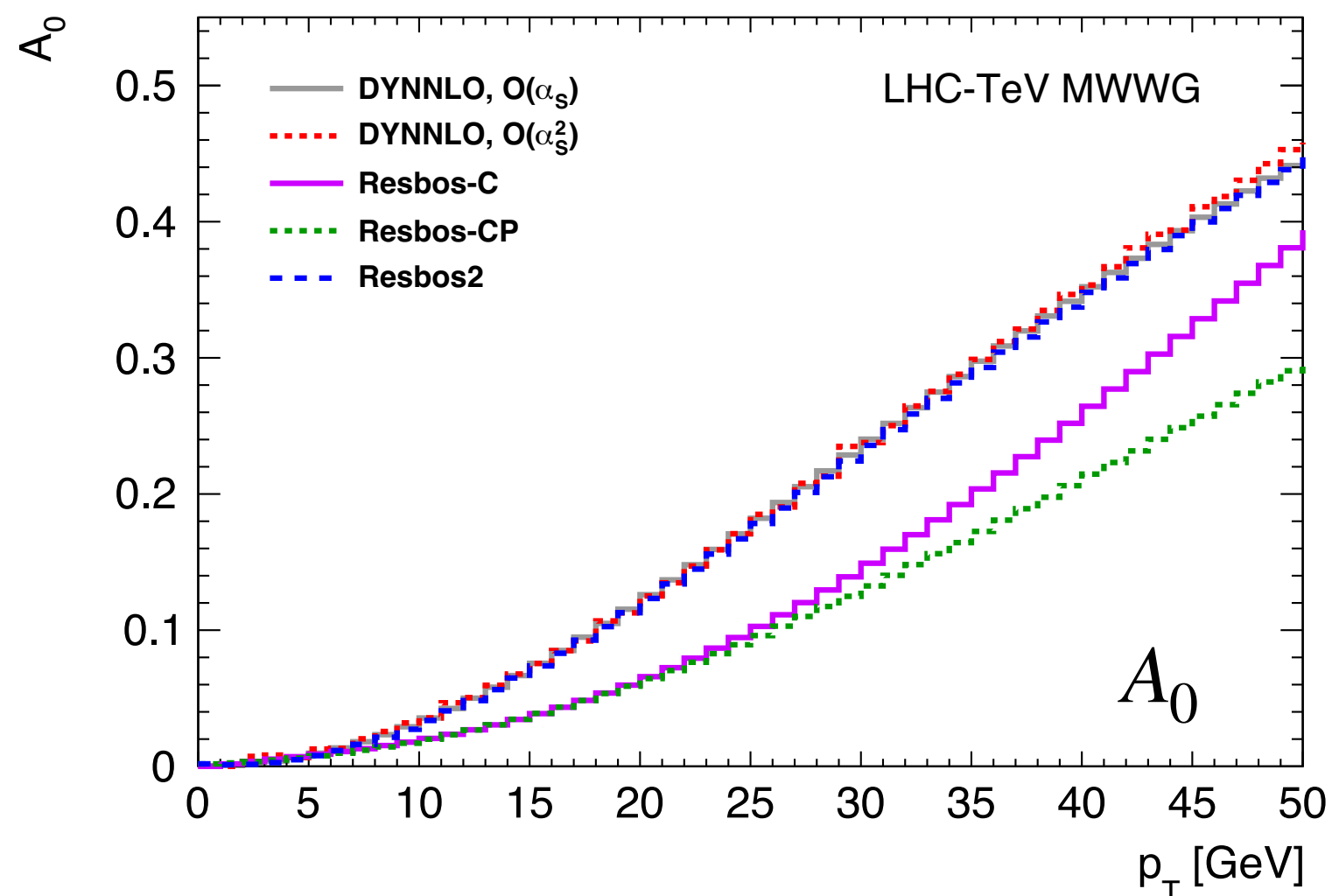
Fits to data using ResBos-C (CDF) or ResBos-CP (D0) ported so that the  $A_0 - A_4$  combinations matches the ResBos2 prediction at  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$

**CDF  $\delta m_W^{pol}$**

Coefficient	$m_T$	$p_T^\ell$	$p_T^\nu$
$A_0$	-6.3	-2.6	-9.1
$A_1$	1.1	1.3	0.3
$A_2$	-0.7	0.4	-3.2
$A_3$	-2.1	-4.2	1.0
$A_4$	-1.4	-3.3	-1.6
$A_0 - A_4$	-9.5	-8.4	-12.5
RESBos2	$-10.2 \pm 1.1$	$-7.6 \pm 1.2$	$-11.8 \pm 1.4$
Difference	$-0.7 \pm 1.1$	$0.8 \pm 1.2$	$0.7 \pm 1.4$

**D0  $\delta m_W^{pol}$**

Coefficient	$m_T$	$p_T^\ell$	$p_T^\nu$
$A_0$	-9.8	-7.3	-15.6
$A_1$	1.9	2.4	1.8
$A_2$	3.0	3.3	-2.7
$A_3$	-1.6	-2.9	0.4
$A_4$	0.2	-2.3	0.5
$A_0 - A_4$	-6.4	-6.9	-15.8
RESBos2	$-7.8 \pm 1.0$	$-6.6 \pm 1.1$	$-16.5 \pm 1.2$
Difference	$-1.4 \pm 1.0$	$0.3 \pm 1.1$	$-0.7 \pm 1.2$





# Combination of the different $m_W$ determinations

Results combined using BLUE

Validation by reproducing internal experimental combinations

The CDF measurement contains an *a posteriori* shift  $\delta m_W \sim 3$  MeV

accounting for (CTEQ6M  $\rightarrow$  NNPDF3.1, mass modelling, polarisation effects ) removed before the combination

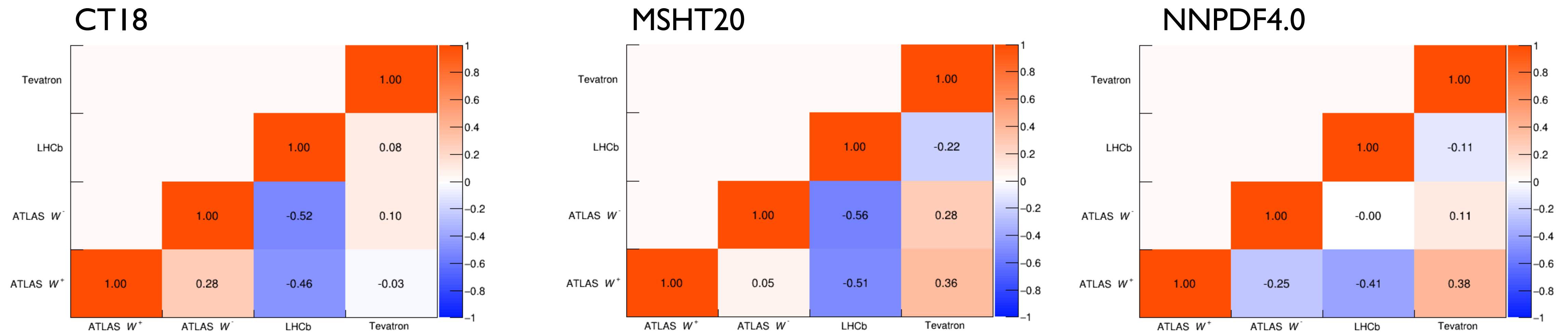
## PDF correlations in the combination

Correlations needed in the combination

Significantly different correlations between the various PDF sets

PDF anti-correlations between experiments leads to more stable results and reduced PDF dependence

cfr. G.Bozzi, L.Citelli, AV, M.Vesterinen, arXiv:1501.05587, arXiv:1508.06954



## Conclusions about the $m_W$ combination effort

Extensive effort to provide a common treatment of PDF and pQCD modelling for the  $m_W$  determination at hadron colliders

The updated treatment is unable to solve the tension between the existing measurements

The full combination  $m_W = 80394.6 \pm 11.5$  MeV (CT18) is disfavoured due to low  $\chi^2$  probability (0.5%)

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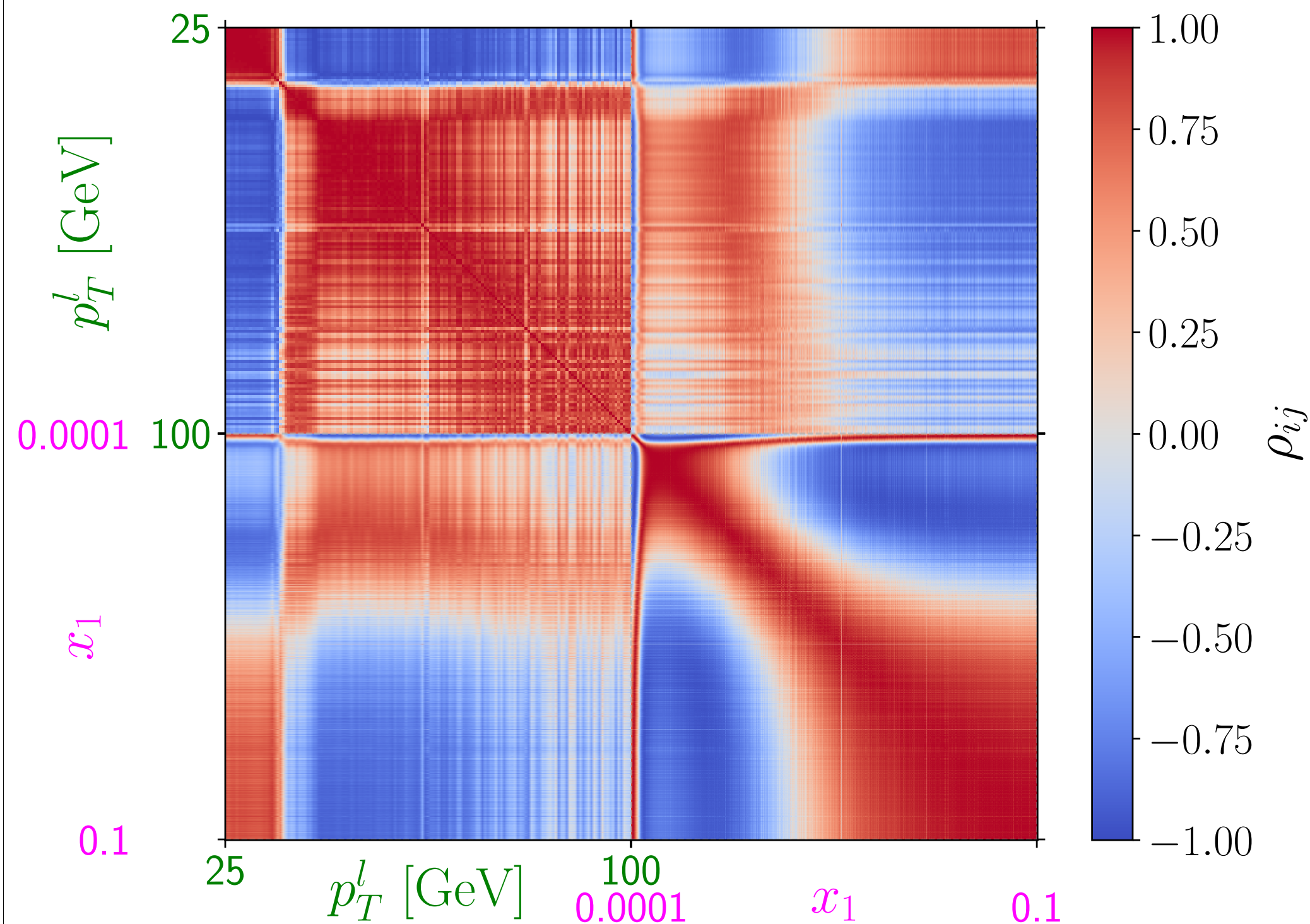
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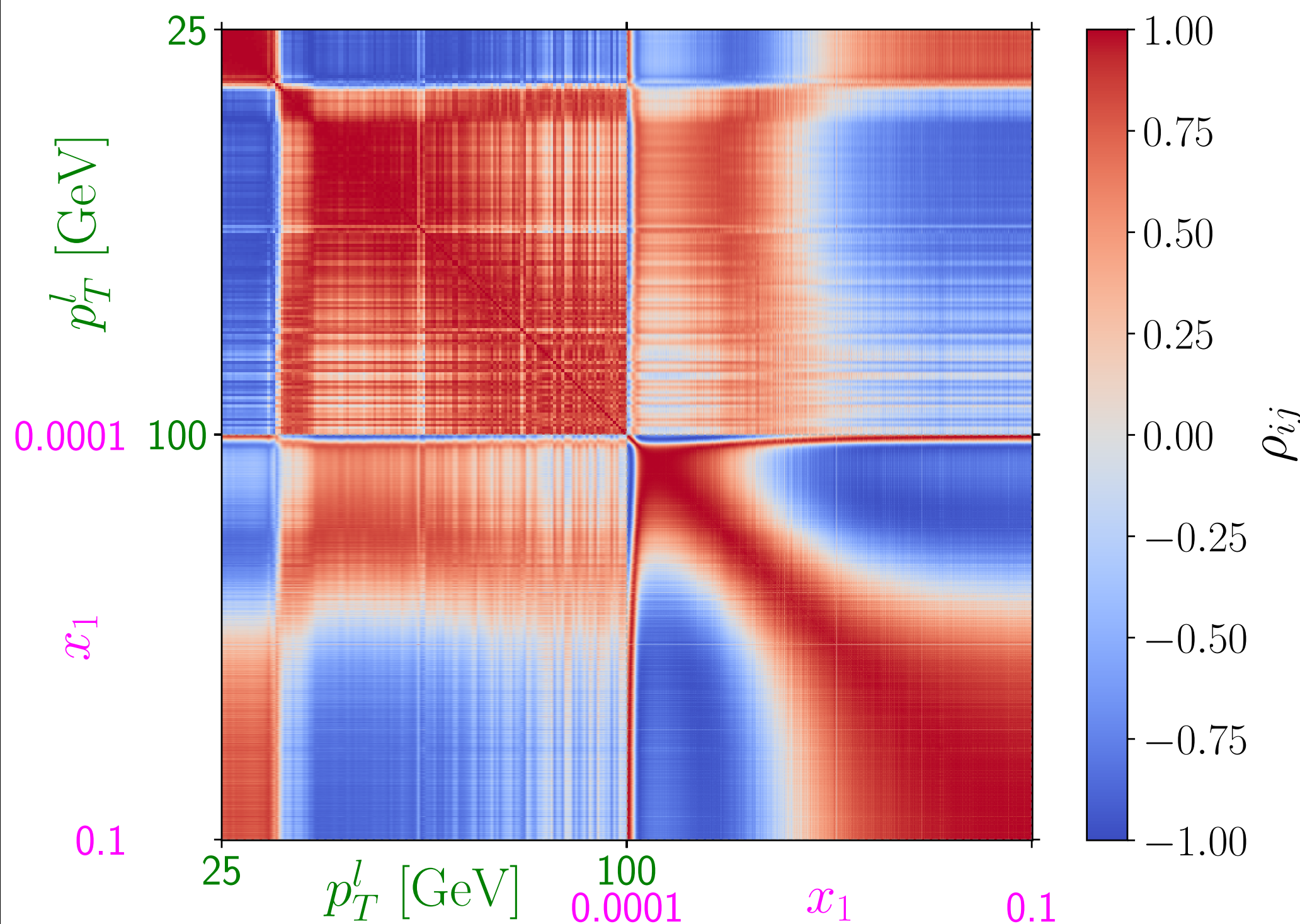
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$$\chi_{k,min}^2 = \sum_{r,s \in bins} (\mathcal{T}_{0,k} - \mathcal{D}^{exp})_r C_{rs}^{-1} (\mathcal{T}_{0,k} - \mathcal{D}^{exp})_s$$

$$C = \Sigma_{PDF} + \Sigma_{stat} + \Sigma_{MC} + \Sigma_{exp syst} \quad \text{total covariance}$$



Inserting the information about PDFs in the covariance matrix leads to a profiling action “in situ”, given by the data themselves

the **PDF uncertainty** can be reduced to the **few MeV level** thanks to the strong anti correlated behaviour of the two tails of  $p_{\perp}^{\ell}$

ATLAS has used this idea to profile PDFs and reduce their impact

## Comments on the data driven approach to fit the W-boson mass

- The Monte Carlo event generators typically have (N)LO+(N)LL QCD perturbative accuracy  
→ to match the data they might require a reweighting factor larger than a code N3LO+N3LL
  - The tuning to the data should be done in association to QCD scale variations  
→ starting from different pQCD scale choices, we can achieve by construction the same description of NCDY with different reweighting functions  
but  
we should check how the different alternatives behave when propagated to CCDY
  - The tuning assumes that the reweighting factor derived from  $p_{\perp}^Z$   
applies equally well to the  $p_{\perp}^W$  and to the lepton transverse momentum in CCDY
  - The tuning assumes that the missing factor taken from the data is universal, i.e. identical for NCDY and CCDY  
but  
several elements of difference:
    - masses and phase-space factors, acceptances
    - different electric charges (QED corrections)
    - different initial states (→ PDFs, heavy quarks effects)
- 
- It is possible that BSM physics is reabsorbed in the tuning
  - The interpretation of the fitted value is not necessarily the SM lagrangian parameter



# The W boson mass: theoretical prediction

on-shell scheme: dominant contributions to  $\Delta r$

$$\Delta r = \Delta\alpha - \frac{c_w^2}{s_w^2} \Delta\rho + \Delta r_{\text{rem}}$$

$$\Delta\alpha = \Pi_{\text{ferm}}^\gamma(M_Z^2) - \Pi_{\text{ferm}}^\gamma(0) \quad \rightarrow \quad \alpha(M_Z) = \frac{\alpha}{1-\Delta\alpha}$$

$$\Delta\rho = \frac{\Sigma_Z(0)}{M_Z^2} - \frac{\Sigma_W(0)}{M_W^2} = 3 \frac{G_F m_t^2}{8\pi^2 \sqrt{2}} \quad [\text{one-loop}] \quad \sim \frac{m_t^2}{v^2} \sim \alpha_t$$

beyond one-loop order:  $\sim \alpha^2, \alpha\alpha_t, \alpha_t^2, \alpha^2\alpha_t, \alpha\alpha_t^2, \alpha_t^3, \dots$

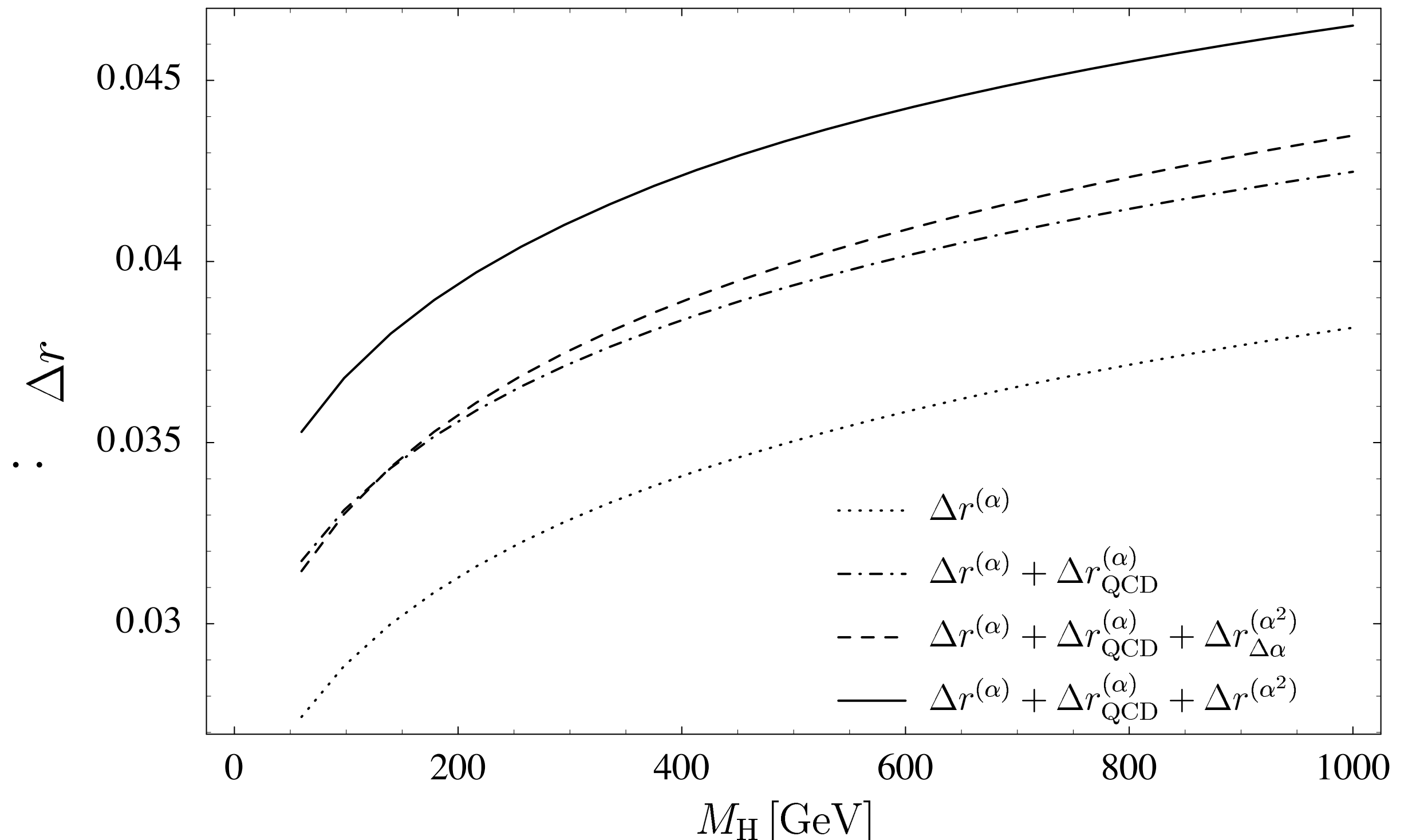
reducible higher order terms from  $\Delta\alpha$  and  $\Delta\rho$  via

$$1 + \Delta r \rightarrow \frac{1}{(1 - \Delta\alpha) \left(1 + \frac{c_w^2}{s_w^2} \Delta\rho\right) + \dots}$$

$$\rho = 1 + \Delta\rho \rightarrow \frac{1}{1 - \Delta\rho}$$

(Consoli, Hollik, Jegerlehner)

effects of higher-order terms on  $\Delta r$



# The dilepton invariant mass distribution in NC-DY at high mass and $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R^2)$

## The triple-differential cross section at LO

$$\frac{d^3\sigma}{dm_{\ell\ell} dy_{\ell\ell} d\cos\theta_{CS}} = \frac{\pi\alpha^2}{3m_{\ell\ell}s} \left( (1 + \cos^2\theta_{CS}) \sum_q S_q [f_q(x_1, Q^2) f_{\bar{q}}(x_2, Q^2) + f_q(x_2, Q^2) f_{\bar{q}}(x_1, Q^2)] \right. \\ \left. + \cos\theta_{CS} \sum_q A_q \text{sign}(y_{\ell\ell}) \cdot [f_q(x_1, Q^2) f_{\bar{q}}(x_2, Q^2) - f_q(x_2, Q^2) f_{\bar{q}}(x_1, Q^2)] \right)$$

$$S_q = e_\ell^2 e_q^2 + P_{\gamma Z} \cdot e_\ell v_\ell e_q v_q + P_{ZZ} \cdot (v_\ell^2 + a_\ell^2)(v_q^2 + a_q^2)$$

$$A_q = P_{\gamma Z} \cdot 2e_\ell a_\ell e_q a_q + P_{ZZ} \cdot 8v_\ell a_\ell v_q a_q,$$

$$P_{\gamma Z}(m_{\ell\ell}) = \frac{2m_{\ell\ell}^2(m_{\ell\ell}^2 - m_Z^2)}{\sin^2\theta_W \cos^2\theta_W [(m_{\ell\ell}^2 - m_Z^2)^2 + \Gamma_Z^2 m_Z^2]}$$

$$P_{ZZ}(m_{\ell\ell}) = \frac{m_{\ell\ell}^4}{\sin^4\theta_W \cos^4\theta_W [(m_{\ell\ell}^2 - m_Z^2)^2 + \Gamma_Z^2 m_Z^2]}$$

The 3D differential xsec exhibits a dependence on the specific  $\sin^2\theta_W$  value, modulated by the different combinations of  $\gamma$  and  $Z$  propagators.

At the  $Z$  resonance, specific sensitivity to  $\sin^2\theta_W$ , via the ratio of vector/axial-vector couplings, assessed from the study of  $A_{FB}$  and  $A_{LR}$  asymmetries

Also at large invariant masses the xsec features a sensitivity to  $\sin^2\theta_W$ , stemming from both normalisation and angular-dependent factors!

→ at NLO-EW we can study  $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$ , the MSbar renormalised mixing angle and exploit the large mass range to test the running of this quantity

# Determination of $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$ in the LHC framework

A few differences compared to the LEP measurement and analysis framework

- the initial state is a mixture, weighted by PDFs, of different quark flavours

  - PDF uncertainty + problems to disentangle individual Z decay widths

- the precision on the Z peak cross section is lower than the one at LEP for  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$

  - $\sigma_{had}$  was at LEP an important constraint of the pseudo-observable fit

- the experimental analysis involves an invariant mass window (instead of only  $q^2=M_Z^2$ )

  - non-factorisable contributions spoil the factorisation (initial)x(final) form factors

→ it is not possible to pursue the LEP approach in terms of pseudo-observables at LHC

$$A_{FB}^{exp}(m_Z^2) - \mathcal{A}_{nonfact} = \frac{3}{4} \mathcal{A}_e \mathcal{A}_f$$

→ a **template fit approach** in the full SM is needed to analyse the AFB data and offers a well defined procedure

- to extract  $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$
- to assign the associated theoretical uncertainties

→ we need to be able to prepare templates of  $A_{FB}(m_{\ell\ell}^2)$  for different values of  $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$

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This scheme allows to express any observable as  $\mathcal{O} = \mathcal{O}(G_\mu, m_Z, \sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep})$

so that templates as a function of  $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$  can be easily generated

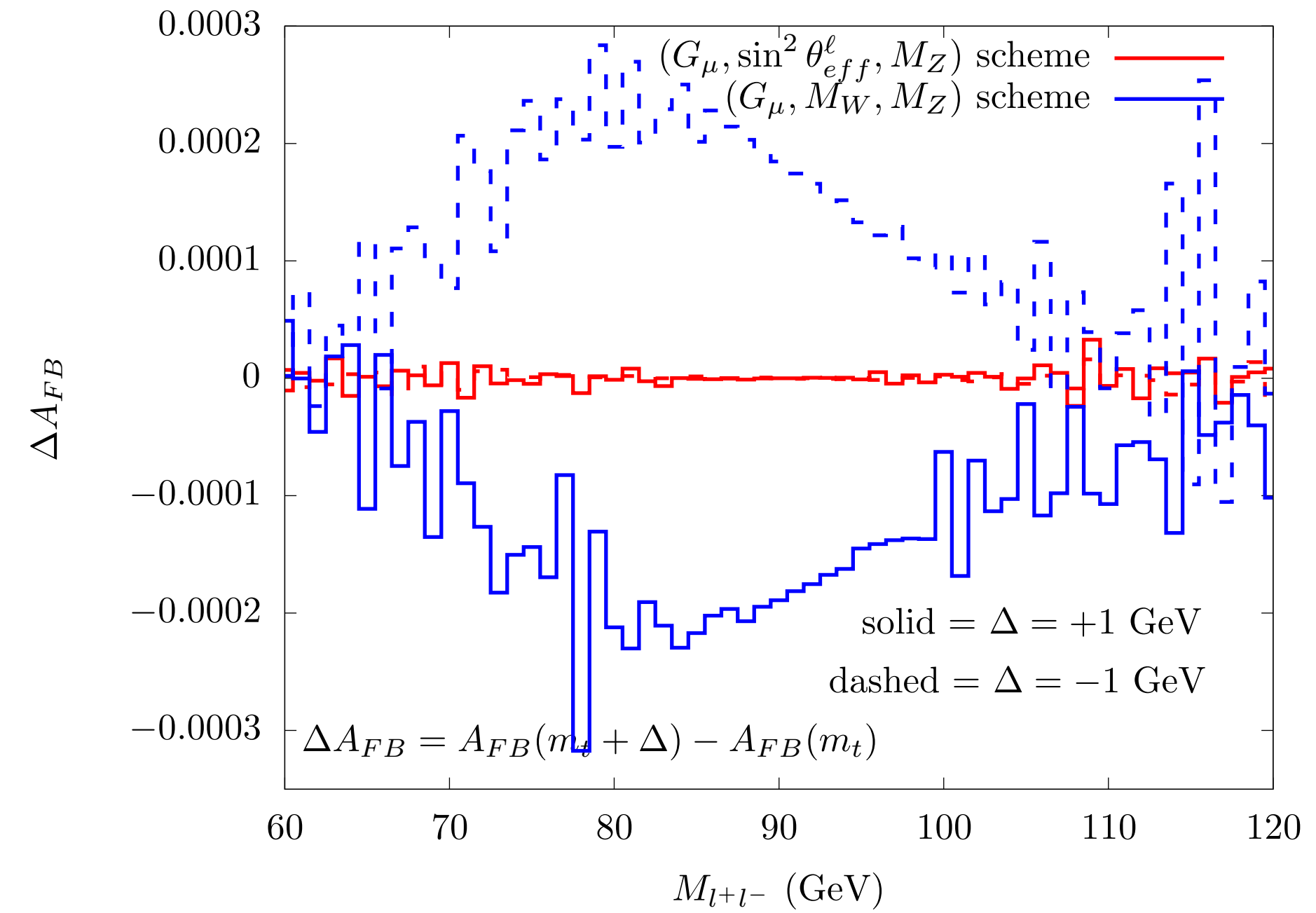
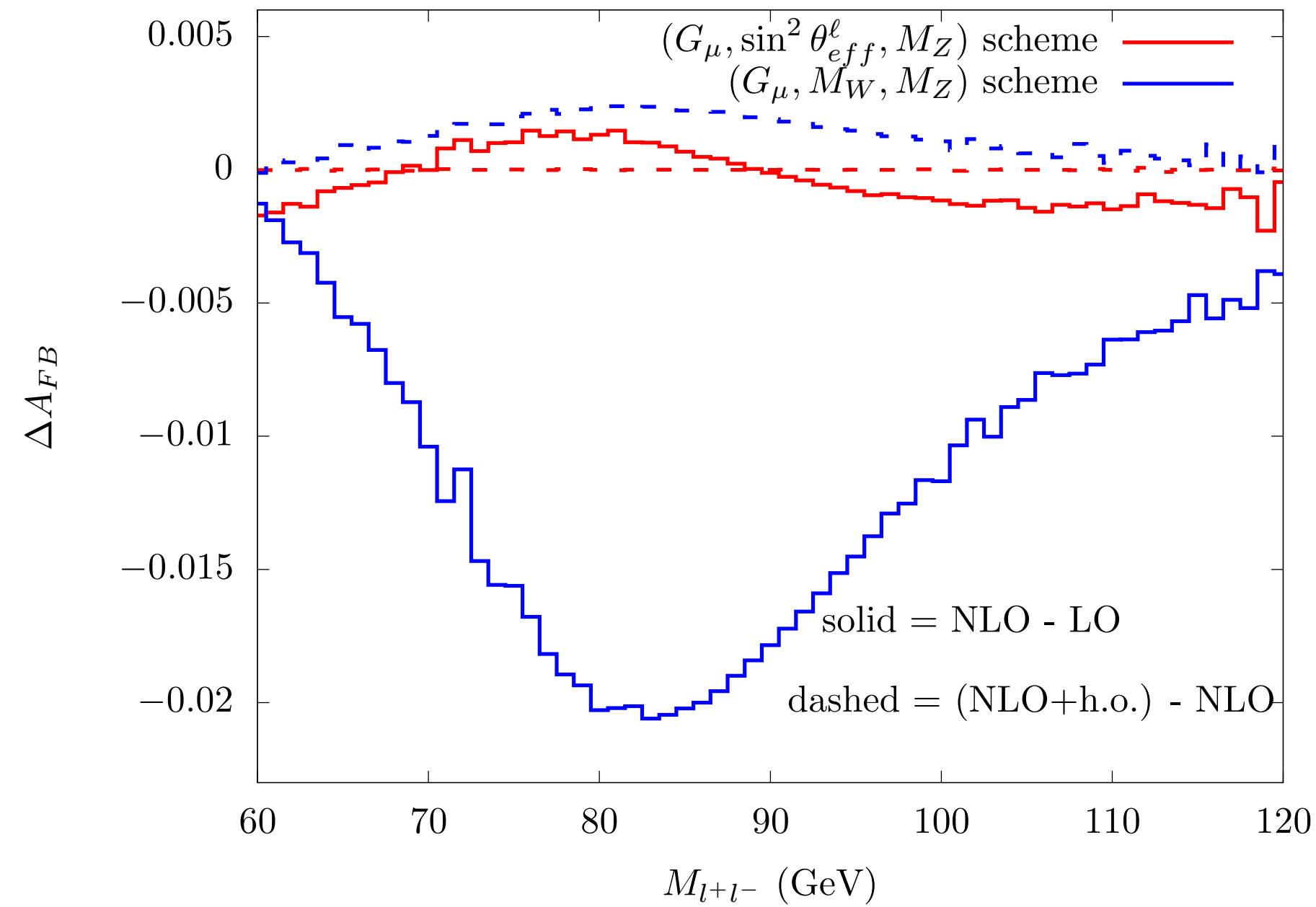
→ direct relation between the data and the parameter of interest

→ simple estimate of all the systematic effects, theoretical and experimental

The result of the fit in this scheme can be directly combined with LEP results

# $A_{FB}$ $m_t$ parametric uncertainty and perturbative convergence

M.Chiesa, F.Piccinini, AV, arXiv:1906.11569



prediction for  $A_{FB}$  at the LHC in the  $(G_\mu, m_Z, \sin^2 \theta_{eff}^\ell)$  input scheme (red), comparison with  $(G_\mu, m_W, m_Z)$  (blue)

faster perturbative convergence  $\rightarrow$  good control over the systematic uncertainties of the templates used to fit the data

very weak parametric  $m_t$  dependence

$(G_\mu, m_Z, \sin^2 \theta_{eff}^\ell)$  offer a very effective parameterisation of the Z resonance in terms of normalisation, position, shape

# $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$ determination at hadron colliders at large invariant masses

S.Amoroso, M.Chiesa, C.L. Del Pio, E.Lipka, F.Piccinini, F.Vazzoler, AV, arXiv:2302.10782

The study has to be performed at least at NLO-EW.

The amplitude has at NLO-EW different groups of corrections: QED, weak.

Only a specific subset of such corrections contributes to the redefinition of the renormalised parameter, while the rest (e.g. boxes and part of the vertices) is a genuine process dependent correction.

In order to claim that we are sensitive to the precise  $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$  value,

$\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$  must be among the input parameters of the renormalised lagrangian.

A new version of the POWHEG NC DY QCD+EW has been prepared,

which admits as input parameters  $(\hat{\alpha}(\mu_R), \sin \hat{\theta}(\mu_R), m_Z)$ , renormalised at NLO-EW.

Thanks to this choice,  $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$  can be left as a free fit parameter, and extracted from the data.

The explicit presence of the other corrections, insensitive to  $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$ , allows to correctly estimate the dependence on this parameter, at each mass scale.

We need to estimate the change of the xsec, for a given  $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$  variation. In the sensitivity study we identify the minimal variation which can be appreciated in the fit to the data, for given experimental errors.

# The weak mixing angle at low energy scales

Goal: testing the parity-violating structure of the weak interactions at different energy scales

- Problems:
- a) define an observable quantity, analogous to  $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$  at  $q^2 = m_Z^2$ ,  
now e.g. at  $q^2 = 0$  for the t-channel processes like e-p or e-e- scattering
  - b) given the large size of the NLO corrections at  $q^2 = 0$ , the fixed-order result is not sufficient  
we have to resum to all orders large classes of radiative corrections in the definition of a running parameter

Solution 1: introduction of  $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{e^-e^-}$  at  $q^2 = 0$  to describe Møller scattering Ferrogia, Ossola, Sirlin, hep-ph/0307200

it absorbs the effect of the EW corrections to the Møller amplitude

in a new effective parameter  $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{e^-e^-}$ , via a gauge-invariant form factor  $\kappa(q^2 = 0)$ ,  
in a tree-level-like structure

this parameter is a physical observable which can be i) predicted and ii) measured  $\rightarrow$  comparison with  $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$

Solution 2: the definition of  $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$  in the MSbar scheme is strictly bound to the presence of a renormalisation scale  $\mu_R$

$\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$  satisfies the RGE ( $\rightarrow$  it needs a boundary condition computed at one given scale  $q^2$ )

this quantity can be predicted in the SM using  $(\alpha(0), G_\mu, m_Z)$  as basic input parameters

the scale  $\mu_R$  allows to probe the size of resummed radiative correction to the couplings at different scales



# The running of $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$ and the prediction of $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(0)$ Erlar, Ramsey-Musolf, [hep-ph/0409169](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/0409169)

given  $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(m_Z^2)$ , we want to study a process with  $Q^2 \ll m_Z^2 \rightarrow$  the radiative corrections contain large  $\log(Q^2/m_Z^2)$  factors

in the MSbar scheme, the RGE allows to compute the coupling at an arbitrary scale  $\mu^2$ , once the value at a given  $Q^2$  is known

$$\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(Q^2) = \hat{\kappa}(Q^2, \mu^2) \sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu^2) \quad \text{setting } \mu^2 = Q^2 \text{ resums the large } \log(Q^2/\mu^2) \text{ in } \sin^2 \theta(\mu^2)$$

the behaviour at the physical thresholds is fixed via matching conditions

$$\begin{aligned} \sin^2 \theta_W(\mu)_{\overline{\text{MS}}} &= \frac{\alpha(\mu)_{\overline{\text{MS}}}}{\alpha(\mu_0)_{\overline{\text{MS}}}} \sin^2 \theta_W(\mu_0)_{\overline{\text{MS}}} + \lambda_1 \left[ 1 - \frac{\alpha(\mu)}{\alpha(\mu_0)} \right] \\ &+ \frac{\alpha(\mu)}{\pi} \left[ \frac{\lambda_2}{3} \ln \frac{\mu^2}{\mu_0^2} + \frac{3\lambda_3}{4} \ln \frac{\alpha(\mu)_{\overline{\text{MS}}}}{\alpha(\mu_0)_{\overline{\text{MS}}}} + \tilde{\sigma}(\mu_0) - \tilde{\sigma}(\mu) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

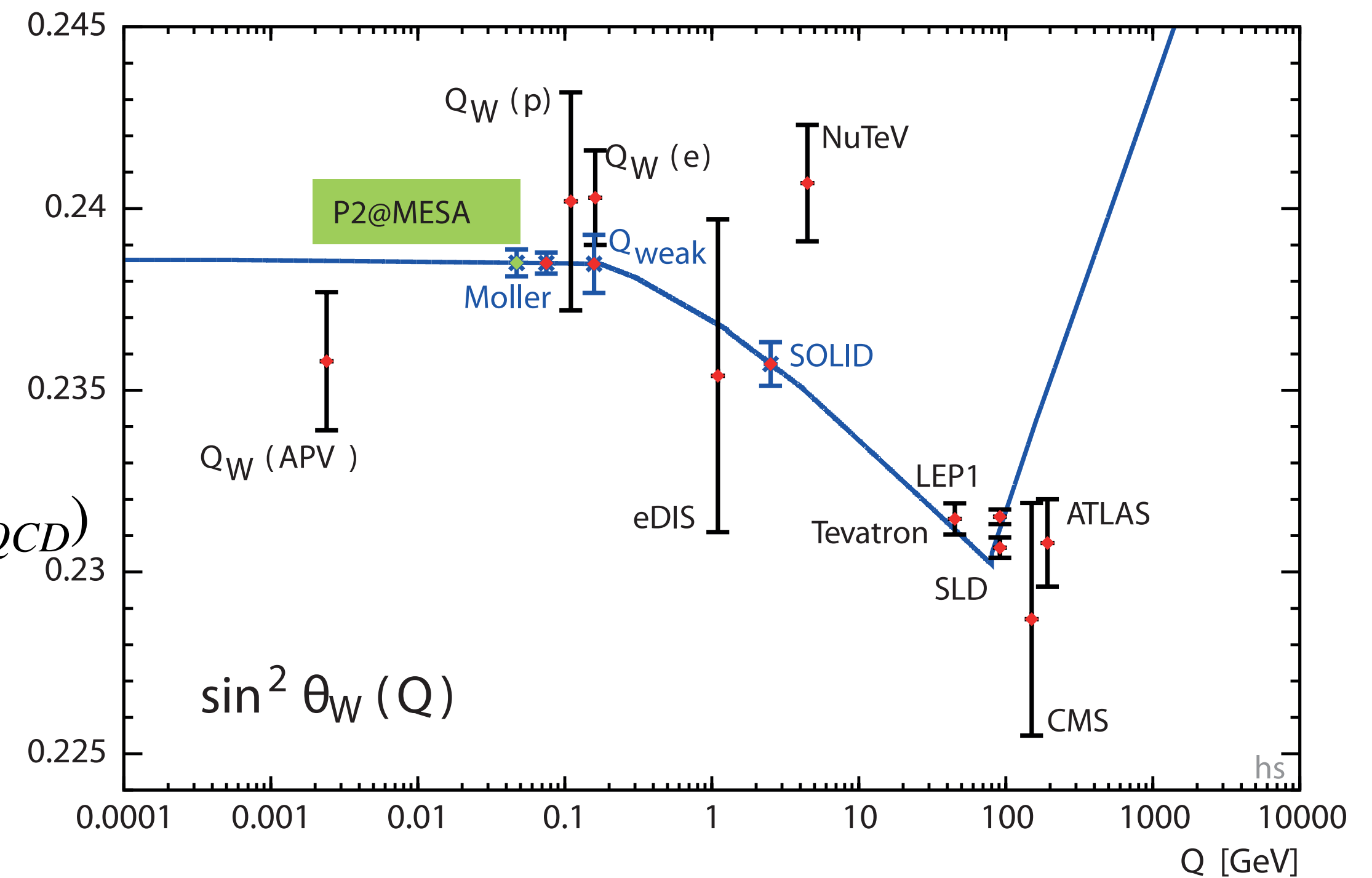
we predict  $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(0) = \hat{\kappa}(0) \sin^2 \hat{\theta}(m_Z^2)$

resumming large perturbative corrections in  $\hat{\kappa}(0)$

in ep scattering non-perturbative contributions enter via  $\Sigma_{\gamma Z}(\mu \sim \Lambda_{QCD})$  and are treated along with the e.m. coupling

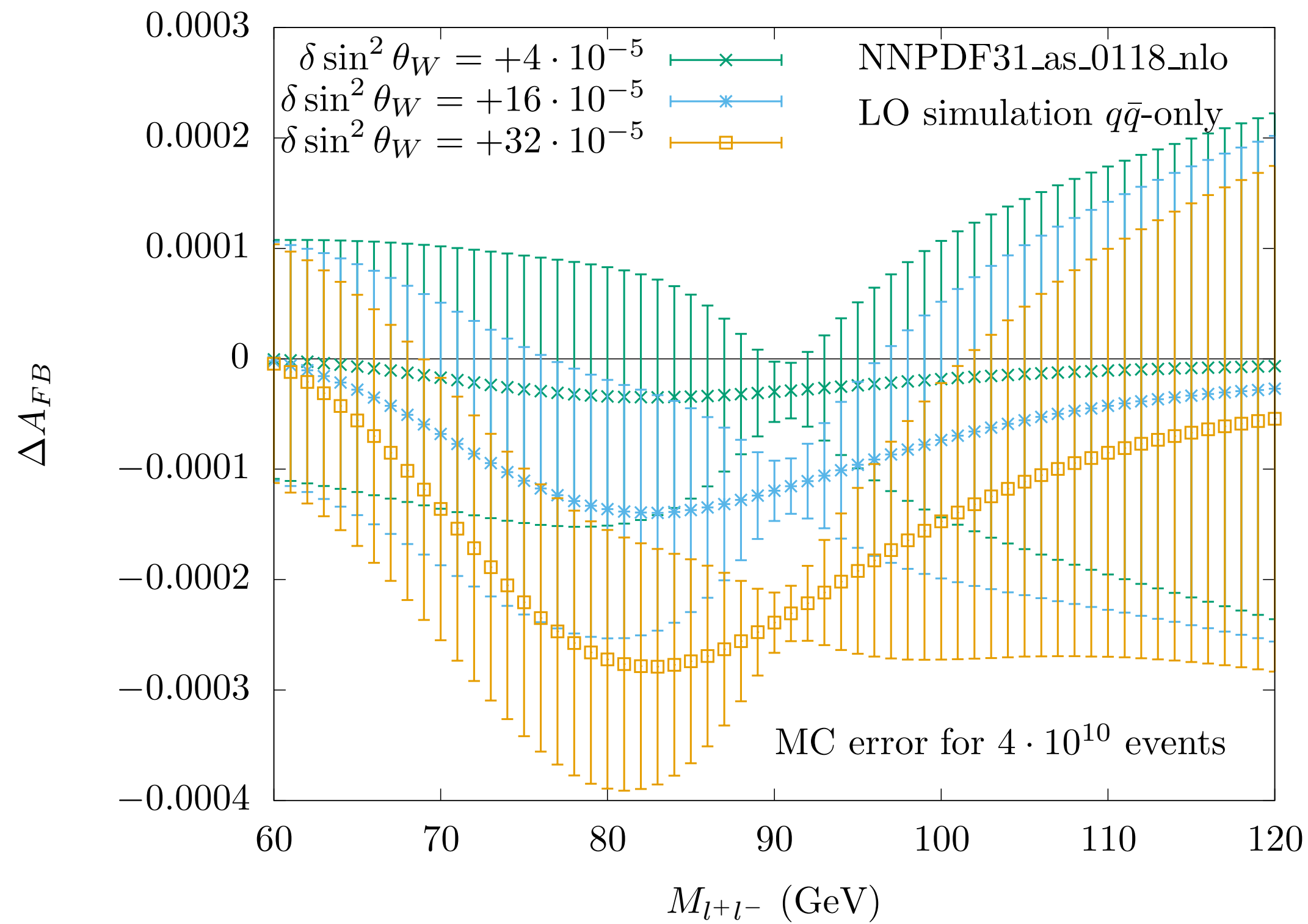
gauge invariance is respected in the MSbar  $\hat{\kappa}$  factor

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\kappa}(0) &= 1.03232 \pm 0.00029 \\ \sin^2 \hat{\theta}(m_Z^2) &= 0.23124(6) \rightarrow \sin^2 \hat{\theta}(0) = 0.23871(9) \end{aligned}$$



Kumar, Mantry, Marciano, Soudry, arXiv:1302.6263

# Estimate of $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$ : template fit approach



$$\chi_i^2 = \sum_{j=1}^{N_{bins}} \frac{(t_j^{(i)} - d_j)^2}{(\sigma_j^{templ})^2 + (\sigma_j^{data})^2} \quad i = 1, \dots, N_{templ}$$

$t^{(i)}$  are templates of the AFB distribution computed at LO, with NNPDF3.1 QCD-only, for different values of  $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$  labelled by  $i$

$d$  are (pseudo)data

Plotting  $\chi_i^2$  as a function of  $i$  yields a parabola, whose minimum selects the preferred  $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$  value

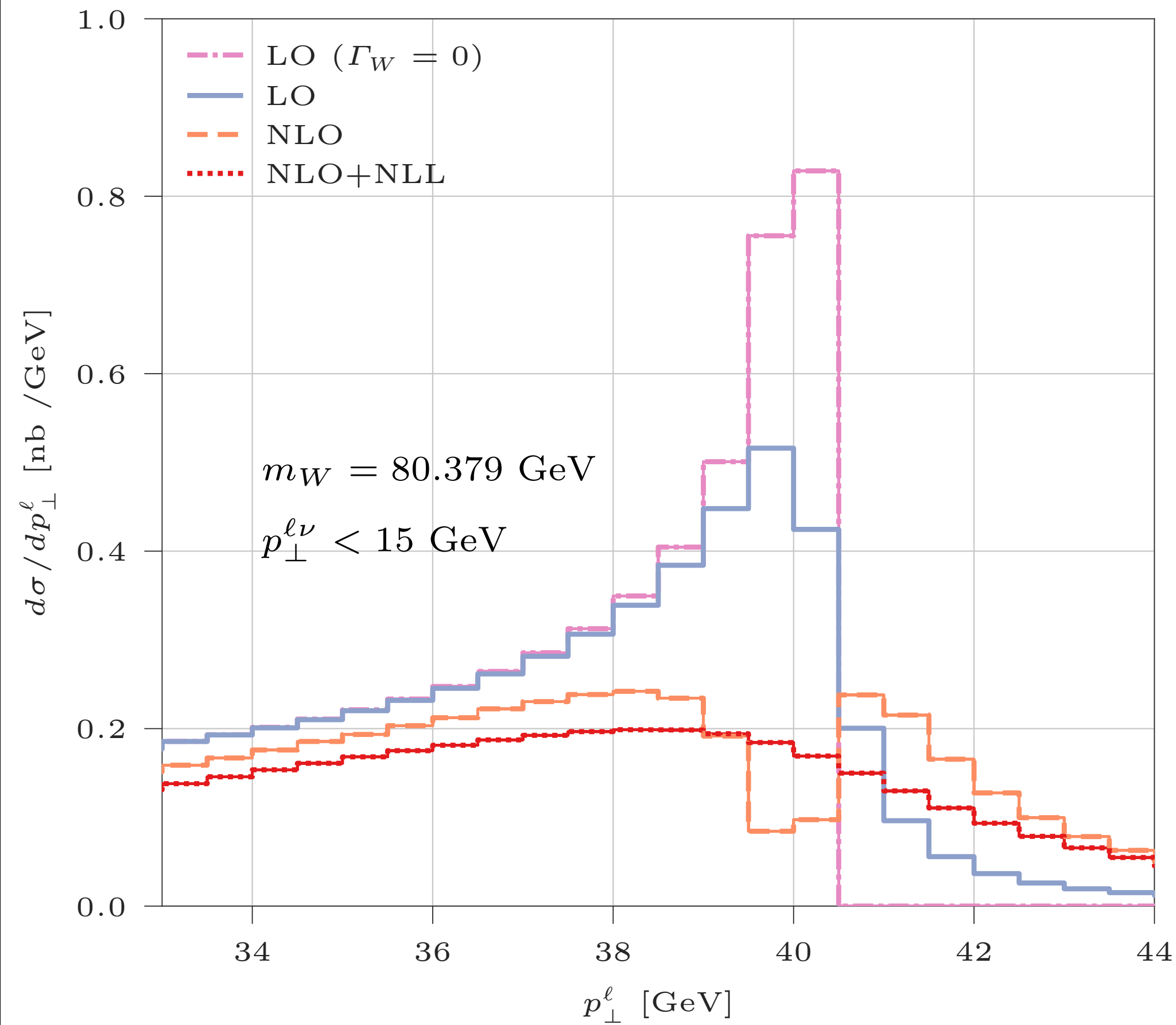
The fit is barely sensitive to  $\delta \sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep} = 4 \cdot 10^{-5}$

A MC statistics 4 times larger would be needed to have clear sensitivity over the whole fitting range [80, 100]

# MW from a jacobian asymmetry

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# The lepton transverse momentum distribution in charged-current Drell-Yan



The lepton transverse momentum distribution has a jacobian peak

induced by the factor  $1/\sqrt{1 - \frac{s}{4p_{\perp}^2}}$ .

When studying the W resonance region, the peak appears at  $p_{\perp} \sim \frac{m_W}{2}$

Kinematical end point at  $\frac{m_W}{2}$  at LO

The decay width allows to populate the upper tail of the distribution

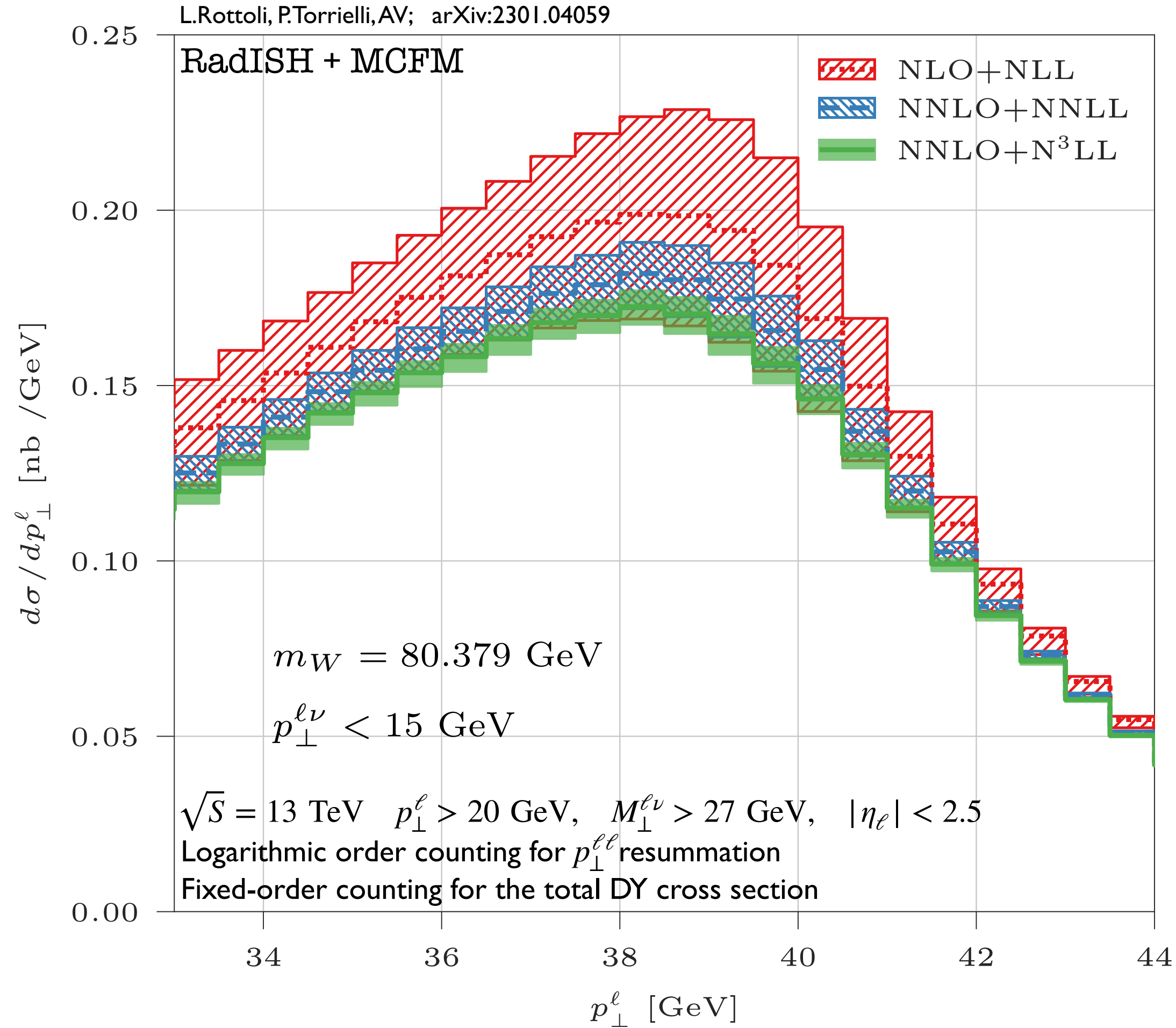
Sensitivity to soft radiation  $\rightarrow$  double peak at NLO-QCD

The QCD-ISR next-to-leading-log resummation broadens the distribution and cures the sensitivity to soft radiation at the jacobian peak.

In the  $p_{\perp}^{\ell}$  spectrum the sensitivity to  $m_W$  and important QCD features are closely intertwined



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## Impressive progress in QCD calculations

X.Chen, T.Gehrmann, N.Glover, A.Huss, P.Monni, E.Re, L.Rottoli, P.Torrielli, arXiv:2203.01565

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J.Campbell, T.Neumann, arXiv:2207.07056

S.Camarda, L.Cieri, G.Ferrera, arXiv:2303.12781

## Uncertainty band based on canonical scale variations

$$\mu_{R,F} = \xi_{R,F} \sqrt{(M^{\ell\nu})^2 + (p_{\perp}^{\ell\nu})^2}, \quad \mu_Q = \xi_Q M^{\ell\nu}$$

$\xi_{R,F} \in (1/2, 1, 2)$  excluding ratios=4 (7 variations)

$(\xi_R, \xi_F) = (1, 1)$  and  $\xi_Q = (1/4, 1)$  (2 variations)

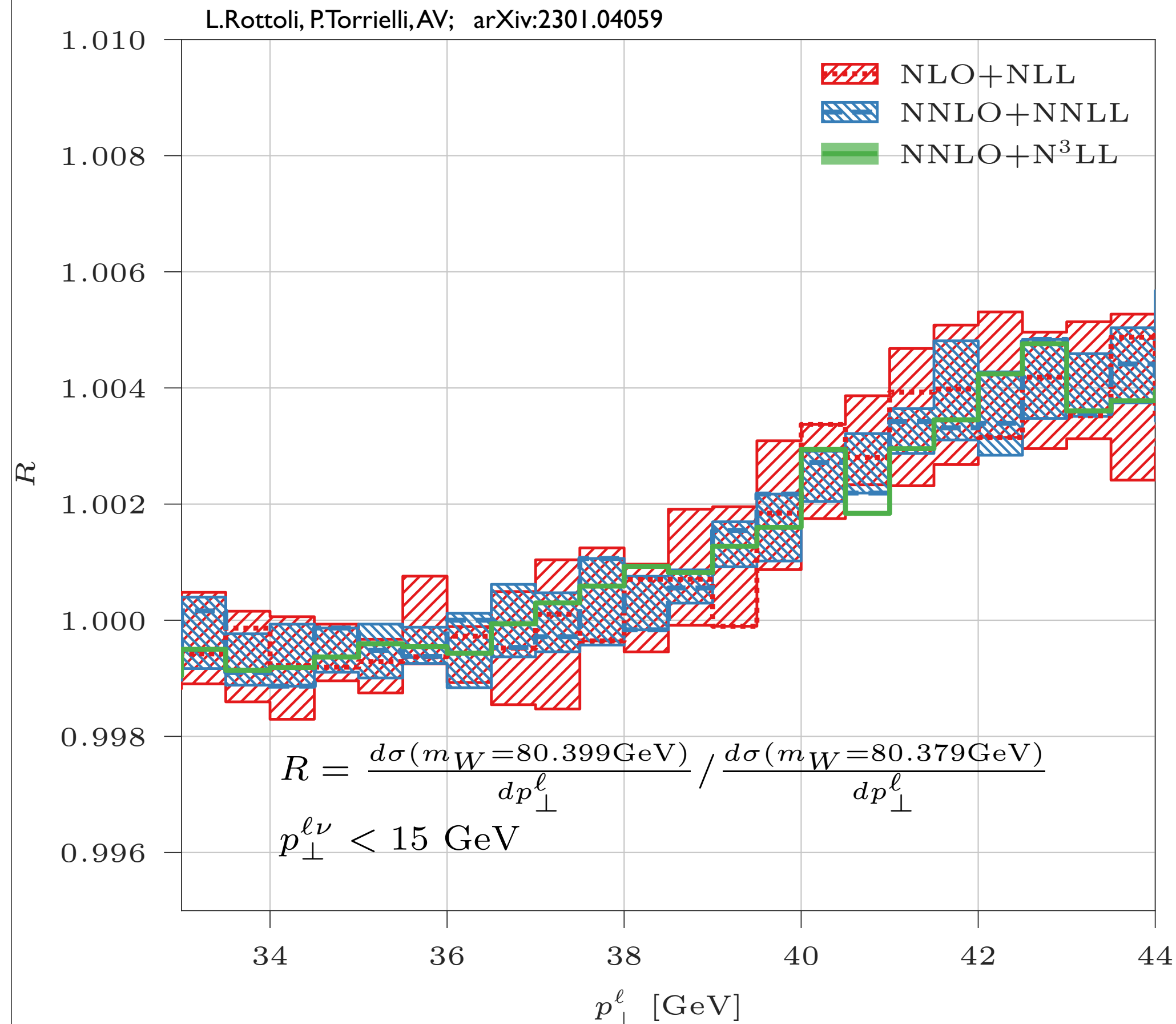
At NNLO+N<sup>3</sup>LL, residual  $\pm 2\%$  uncertainty

The peak of the distribution is located at  $p_{\perp} \sim 38.5 \text{ GeV}$

The point of maximal sensitivity to  $m_W$  is shifted by :

- $\Gamma_W/2$  compared to the nominal value  $m_W/2$
- the effect of resummed QCD radiation

# Sensitivity to the $W$ boson mass: independence from QCD approximation



The determination of  $m_W$  requires the possibility to appreciate the distortion of the distribution induced by 2 different mass hypotheses

A shift by  $\Delta m_W = 20 \text{ MeV}$  distorts the distribution at few per mille level

In pure QCD, the distortion is **independent of the QCD approximation or scale choice**

The process can be **factorized** in production (with QCD effects) times propagation and decay of the  $W$  boson.

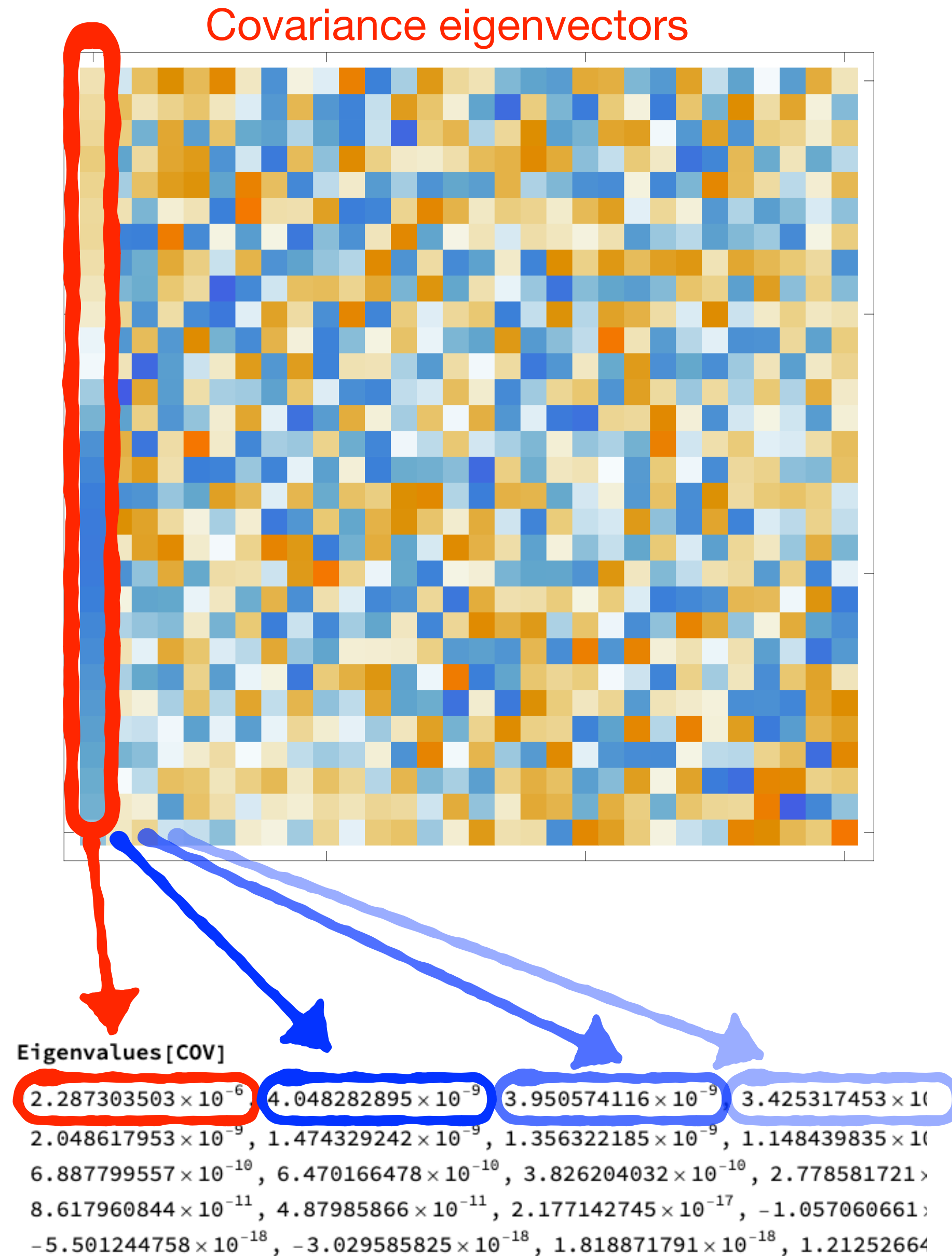
The sensitivity to  $m_W$  stems from the propagation and decay part

The sensitivity to  $m_W$  is independent of the QCD approximation  
 The central value and the uncertainty on  $m_W$  instead do depend on the QCD approximation

Where is the sensitivity to  $m_W$ ? Which bins are the most relevant?

The study of the covariance matrix for  $m_W$  variations shows that **one specific combination** of bins **carries the bulk of the sensitivity** to  $m_W$  → **following this indication, we design a new observable**

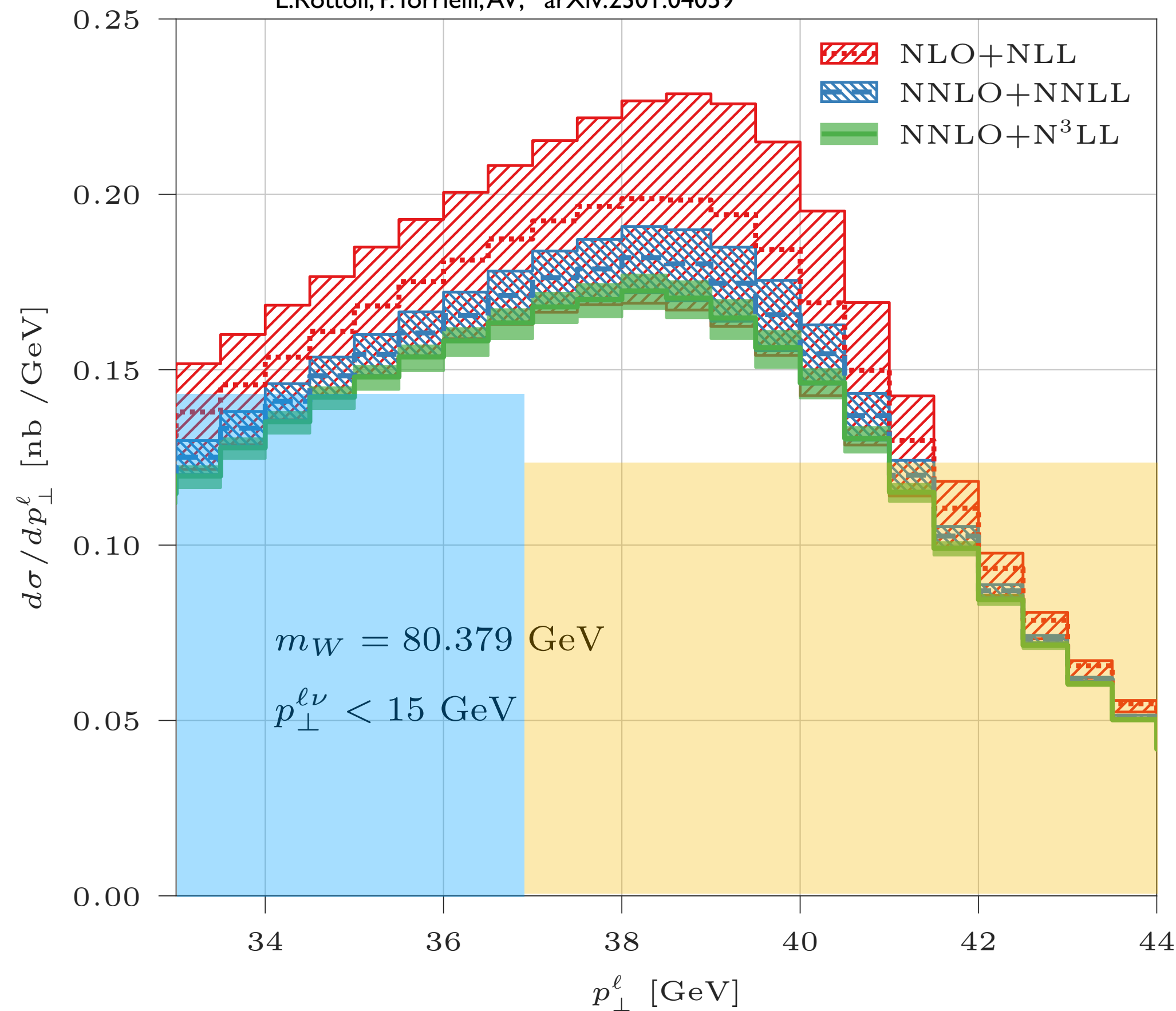
# Sensitivity to the W boson mass: covariance with respect to $m_W$ variations



- The  $p_{\perp}^{\ell}$  spectrum includes N bins.
- After the rotation which diagonalises the  $m_W$  covariance, we have N linear combinations of the primary bins.
- The combination associated to the (by far) largest eigenvalue exhibits a very clear and simple pattern
- The point where the coefficients change sign is very stable at different orders in QCD and with different bin ranges and it is found at  $p_{\perp}^{\ell} \sim 37$  GeV

# The jacobian asymmetry $\mathcal{A}_{p_\perp^\ell}$

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$$L_{p_\perp^\ell} \equiv \int_{p_\perp^{\ell, \min}}^{p_\perp^{\ell, \text{mid}}} dp_\perp^\ell \frac{d\sigma}{dp_\perp^\ell},$$

$$U_{p_\perp^\ell} \equiv \int_{p_\perp^{\ell, \text{mid}}}^{p_\perp^{\ell, \max}} dp_\perp^\ell \frac{d\sigma}{dp_\perp^\ell}$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{p_\perp^\ell}(p_\perp^{\ell, \min}, p_\perp^{\ell, \text{mid}}, p_\perp^{\ell, \max}) \equiv \frac{L_{p_\perp^\ell} - U_{p_\perp^\ell}}{L_{p_\perp^\ell} + U_{p_\perp^\ell}}$$

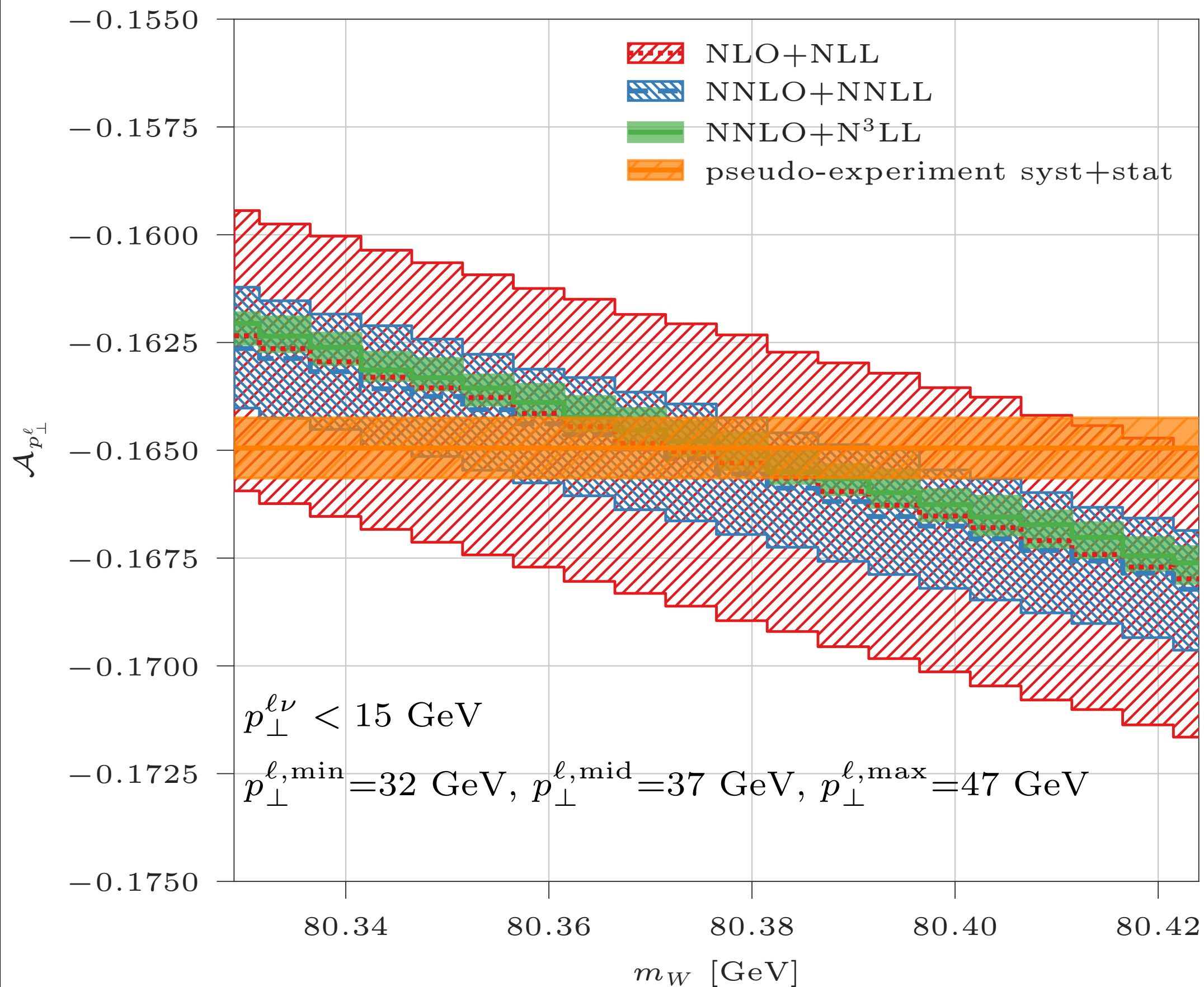
The asymmetry is an observable (i.e. it is measurable via counting): its value is one single scalar number  
It depends only on the edges of the two defining bins

Increasing  $m_W$  shifts the position of the peak to the right → Events migrate from the blue to the orange bin  
→ The asymmetry decreases



# The jacobian asymmetry $\mathcal{A}_{p_{\perp}^{\ell}}$ as a function of $m_W$

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The asymmetry  $\mathcal{A}_{p_{\perp}^{\ell}}$  has a linear dependence on  $m_W$ , stemming from the linear dependence on the end-point position

The slope of the asymmetry expresses the sensitivity to  $m_W$ , in a given setup  $(p_{\perp}^{\ell,min}, p_{\perp}^{\ell,mid}, p_{\perp}^{\ell,max})$

The slope is the same with every QCD approximation (factorization of QCD effects, perturbative and non-perturbative)

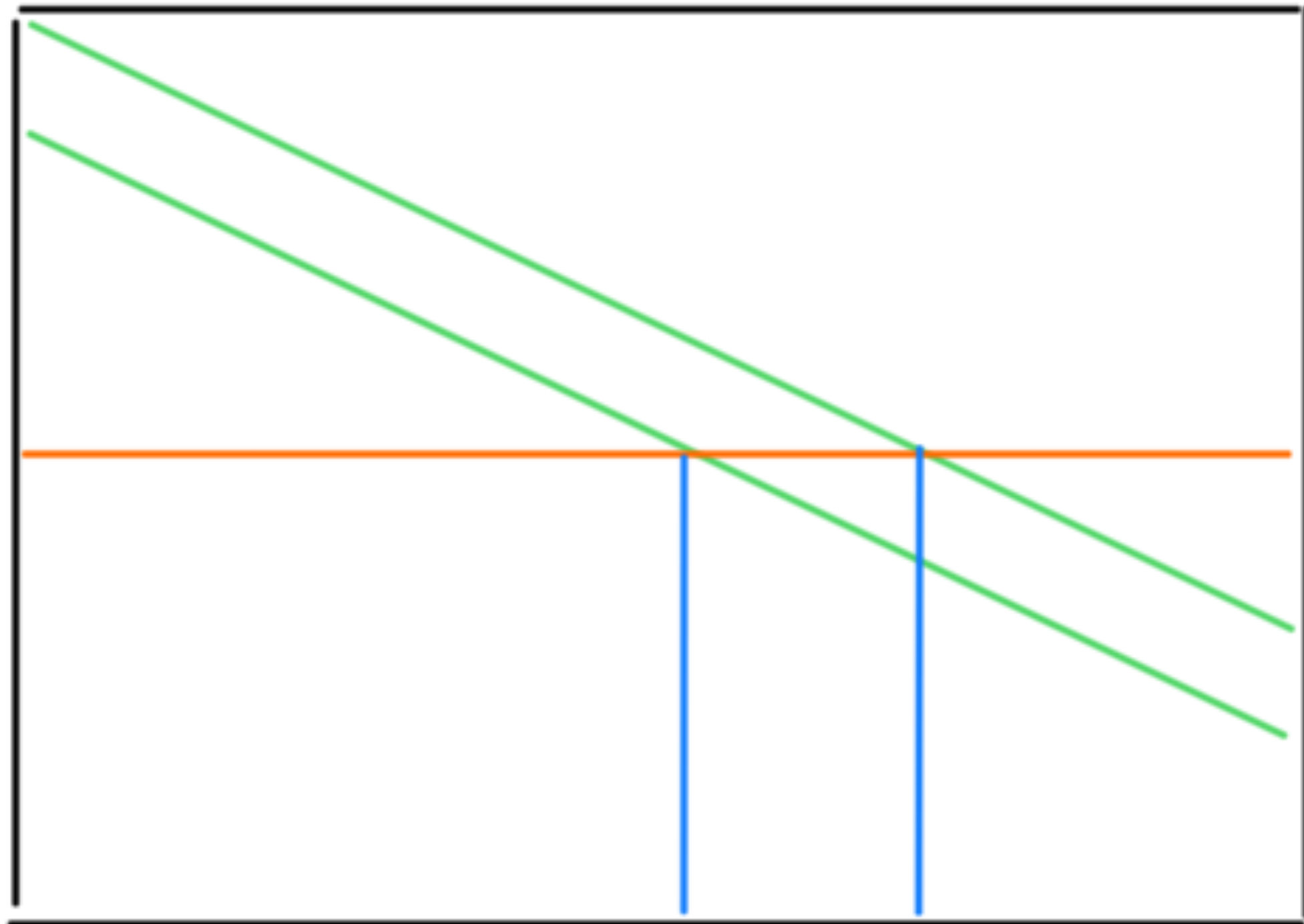
The “large” size of the two bins  $\mathcal{O}(5 - 10)$  GeV leads to

- small statistical errors
- excellent stability of the QCD results (inclusive quantity)
- ease to unfold the data to particle level ( $m_W$  combination)

The experimental value and the theoretical predictions can be directly compared ( $m_W$  from the intersection of two lines)

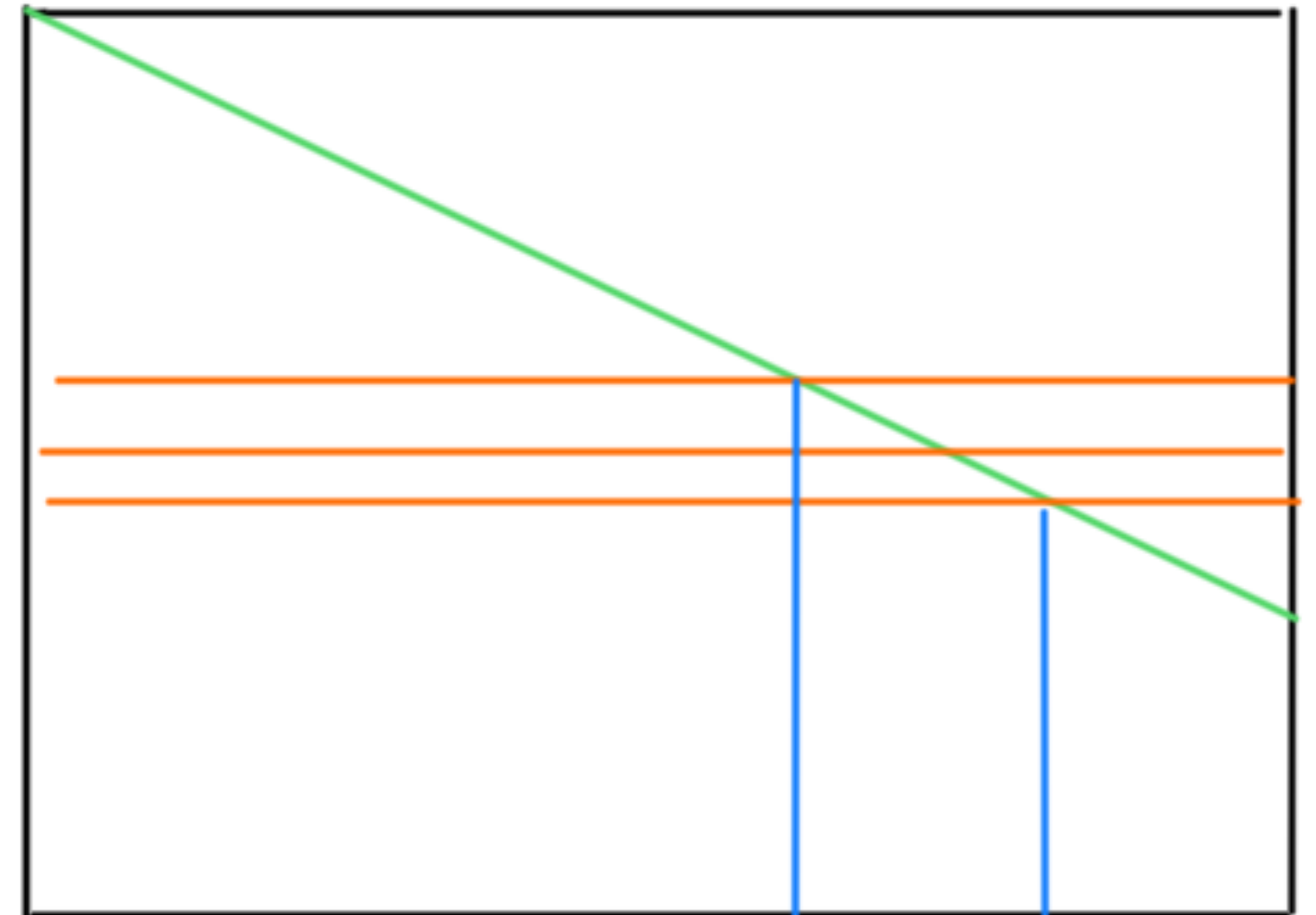
The main systematics on the two fiducial cross sections is related to the lepton momentum scale resolution

# Reading the uncertainties on $m_W$



$\Delta m_W^{th}$

$m_W^{exp}$

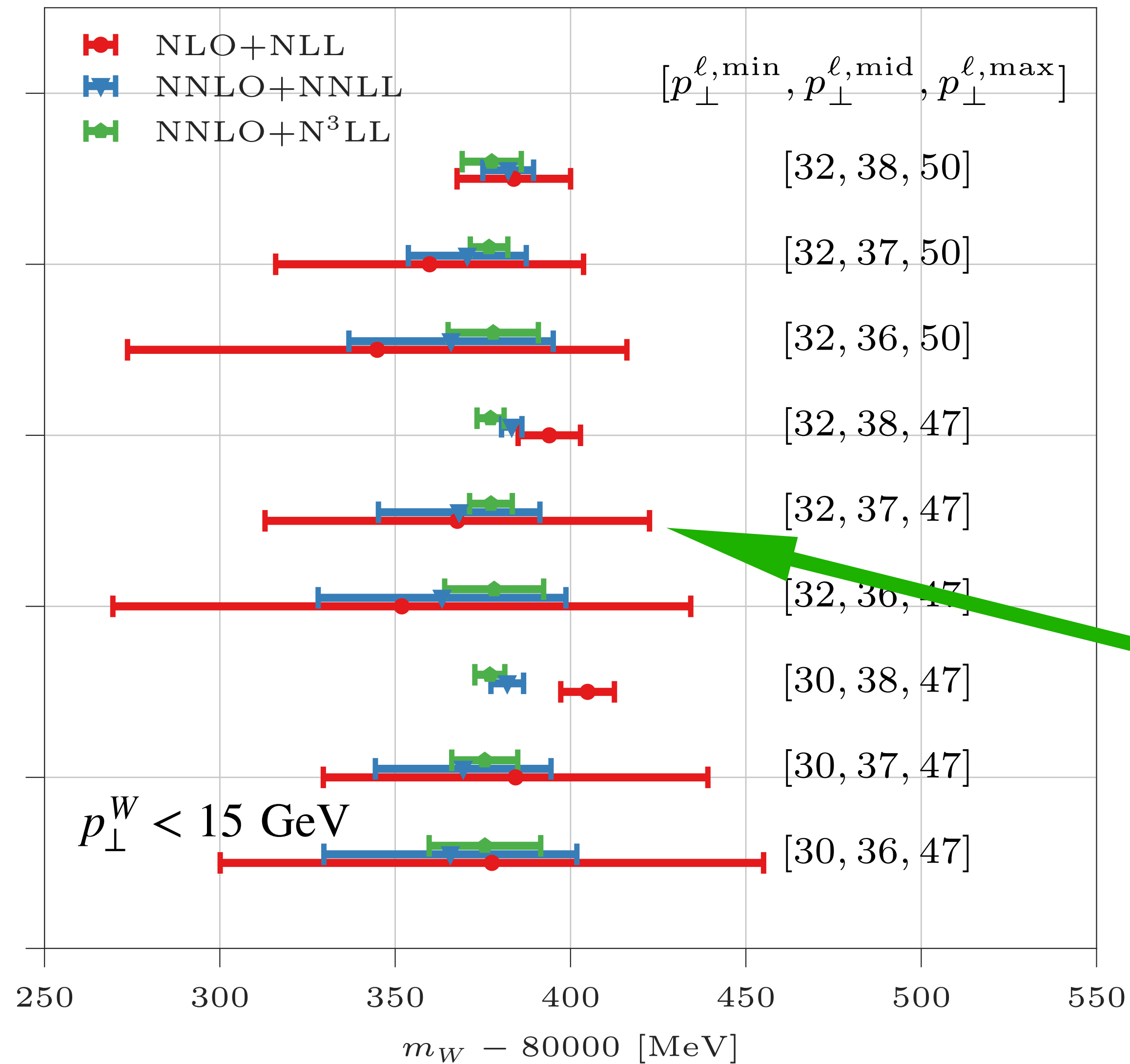


$\Delta m_W^{exp}$

# $m_W$ determination at the LHC as a function of the $\mathcal{A}_{p_\perp^\ell}$ parameters (low pile-up setup)

as pseudo-experimental value we choose the NNLO+N3LL result with  $m_W = 80.379$

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Important role of the N3LL corrections

We first check the convergence order-by-order.  
If we observe it, then we take the size of the  $m_W$  interval as estimator of the residual pQCD uncertainty

We do not trust the scale variations alone  
→ cfr the choice with  $p_\perp^{\ell, mid} = 38$  GeV

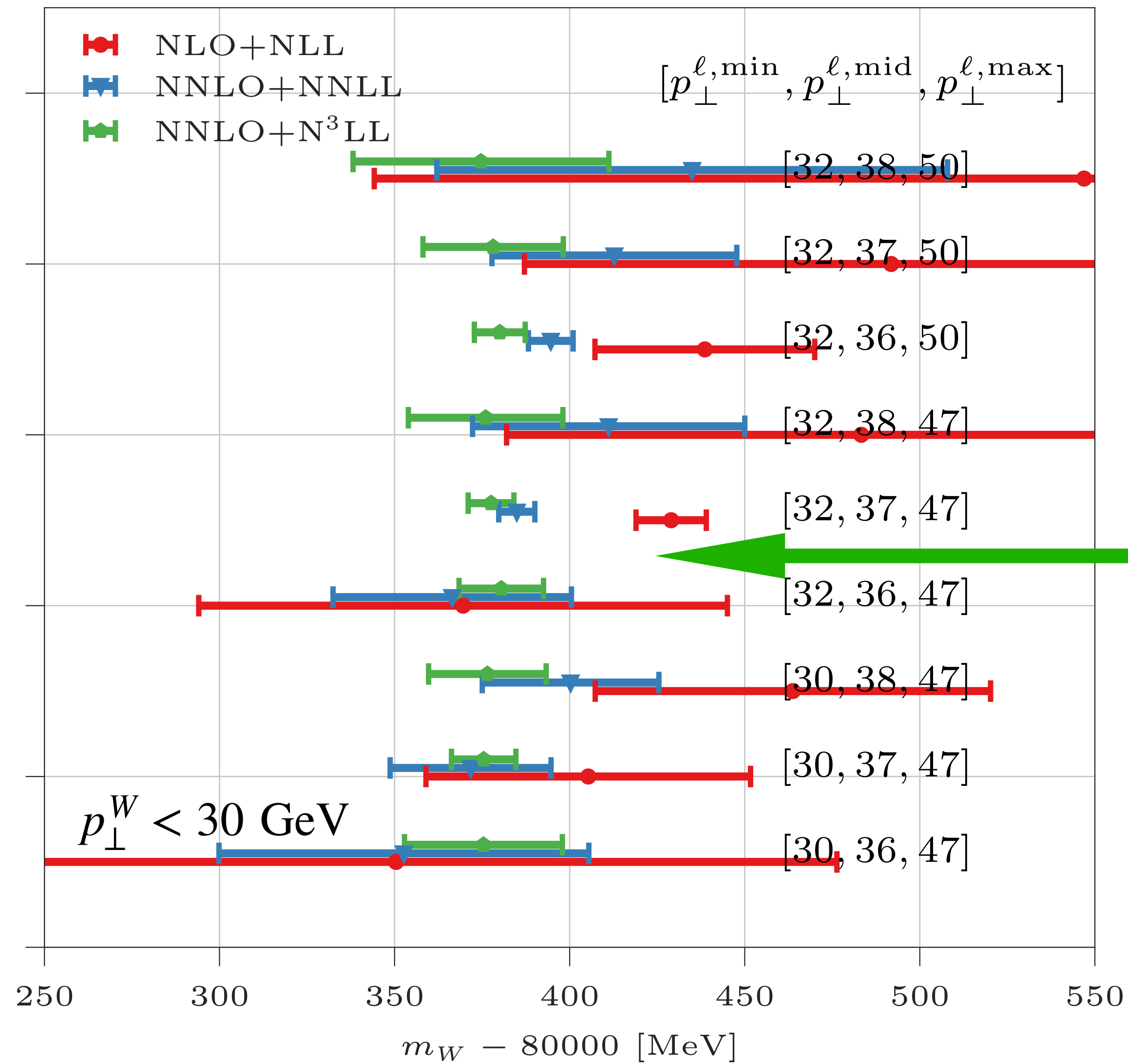
A pQCD uncertainty at the  $\pm 5$  MeV level is achievable based on CCDY data alone

The choice of the midpoint is important to identify two regions with excellent QCD convergence

# $m_W$ determination at the LHC as a function of the $\mathcal{A}_{p_\perp^\ell}$ parameters (high pile-up setup)

as pseudo-experimental value we choose the NNLO+N3LL result with  $m_W = 80.379$

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Clear impact of the acceptance cut on  $p_\perp^W$

Important role of the N3LL corrections

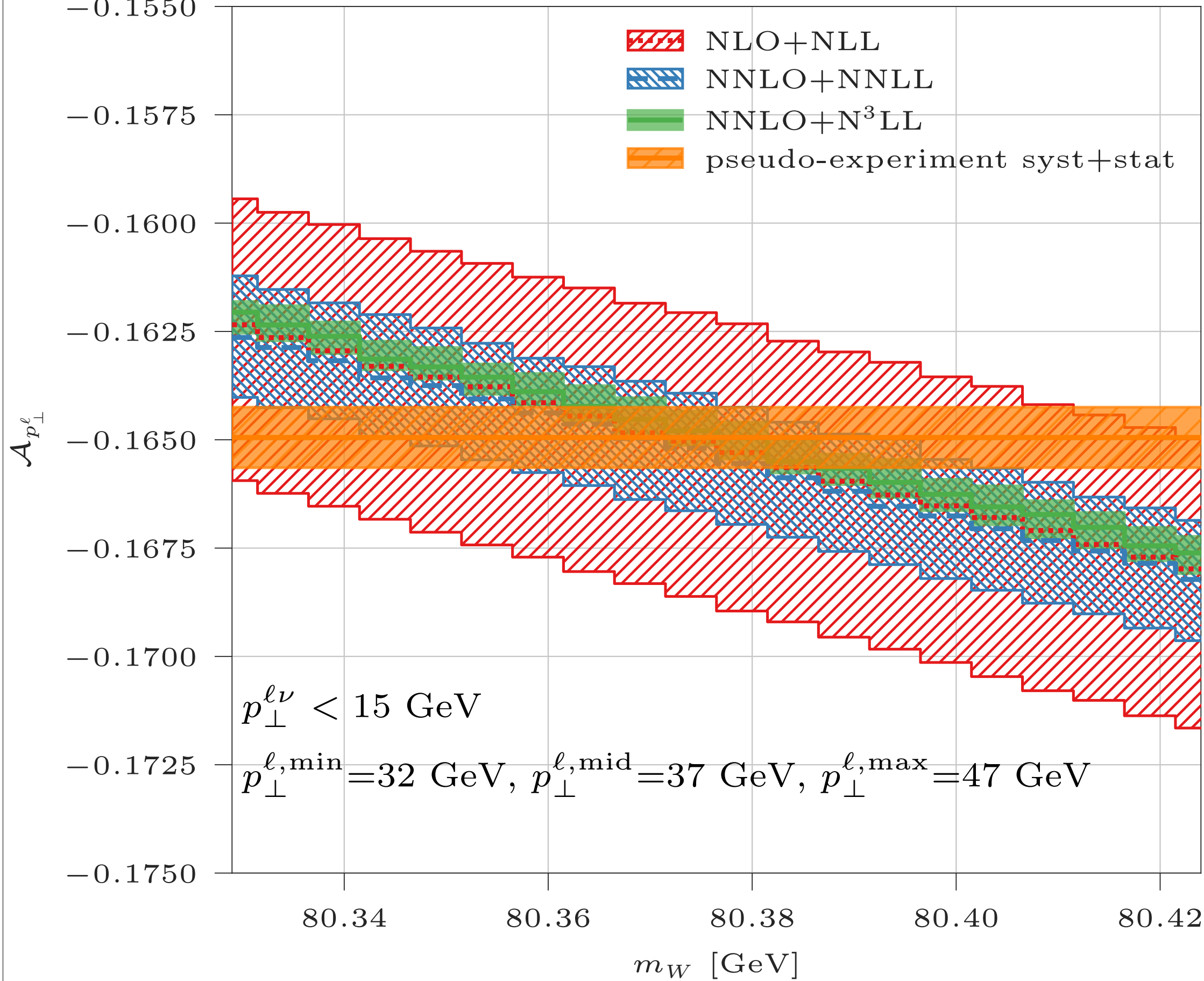
A pQCD uncertainty below  $\pm 10$  MeV level is achievable based on CCDY data alone

The choice of the midpoint is important to identify two regions with excellent QCD convergence



# What's missing?

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The **excellent convergence in pQCD** of the asymmetry  $\mathcal{A}_{p_{\perp}}$  is the best possible starting point to discuss

- the impact on the central  $m_W$  value of
  - missing perturbative corrections (QED, QCDxEW)
  - non-perturbative effects
- each effect yields a vertical offset of  $\mathcal{A}_{p_{\perp}^{\ell}} \rightarrow m_W$  shift
  - QED corrections might also change the slope (preliminary studies show mild QED effects)
- the non-perturbative effects are a refinement of the study
  - impact on top of NNLO+N3LL is expected moderate
  - not a crucial element (as in the template fit case)
- the propagation of the uncertainties
  - the linearity of the dependence on  $m_W$  allows an easy propagation of each uncertainty source

The asymmetry in pure pQCD is just one component of the  $p_{\perp}^{\ell}$  spectrum

→ additional measurements are needed, to achieve an accurate description of the data