

Precision QCD calculation for top-pair production at lepton collider in the continuum

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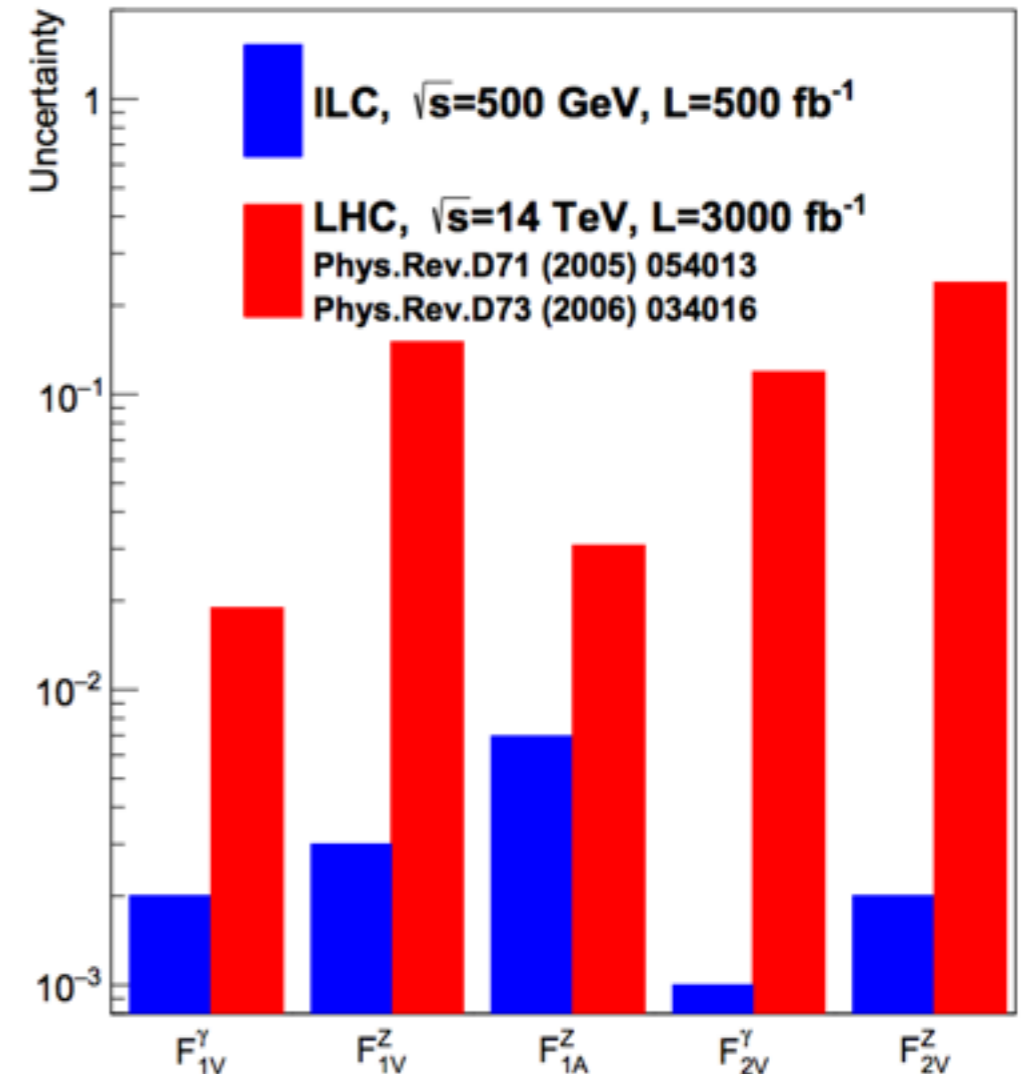
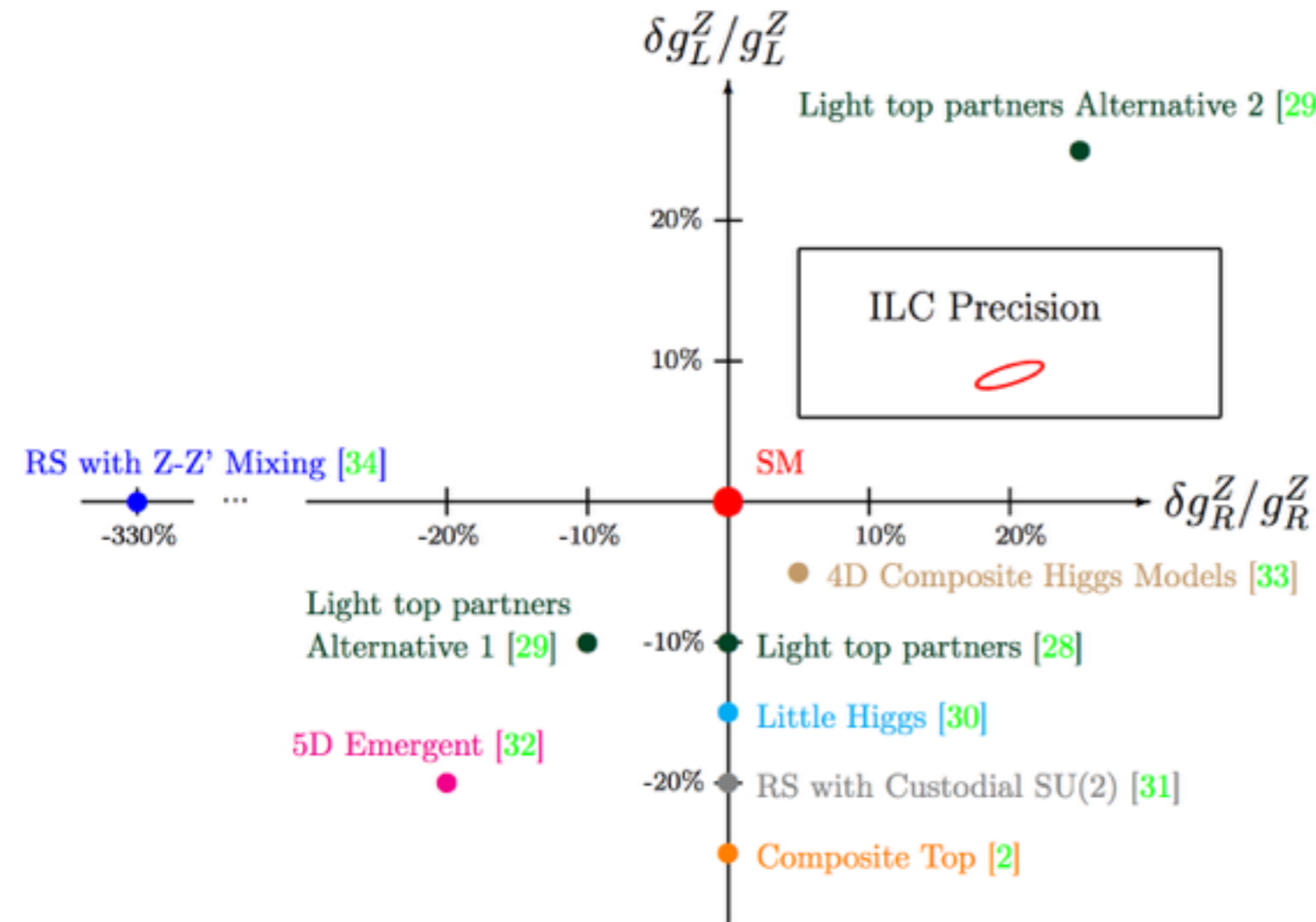
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Perspective precision on top EW coupling from ILC

Amjad et al., EPCJ75(2015),10, 512

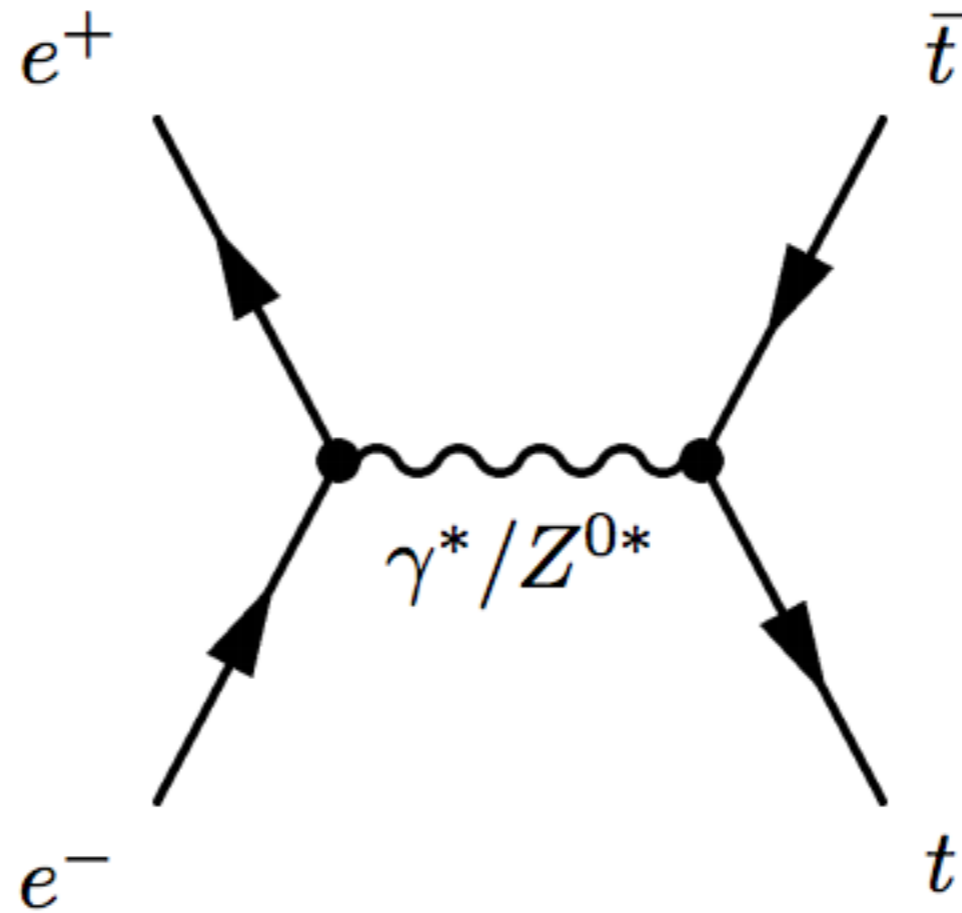
$$\Gamma_{\mu}^{t\bar{t}X}(k^2, q, \bar{q}) = ie \left\{ \gamma_{\mu} (F_{1V}^X(k^2) + \gamma_5 F_{1A}^X(k^2)) - \frac{\sigma_{\mu\nu}}{2m_t} (q + \bar{q})^{\nu} (iF_{2V}^X(k^2) + \gamma_5 F_{2A}^X(k^2)) \right\}$$



Theoretical effort on precision

- ❖ **QCD N3LO tT production at threshold [Beneke, et al., PRL115, 192001 (2015)]**
- ❖ **QCD N3LO inclusive cross section in high energy expansion up to $(m^2/s)^6$ [Chetyrkin et al., NPB503, 339 (1997)]**
- ❖ **Boosted top jet production at NLL [Fleming et al., PRD77(2008) 114003]**
- ❖ **One-loop EW corrections [Fleischer et al., EPJC31 (2003) 37]**
- ❖ **QCD NLO event generator including parton shower in WHIZARD**
- ❖ **One-loop EW corrections in GRACE**
- ❖ **...**

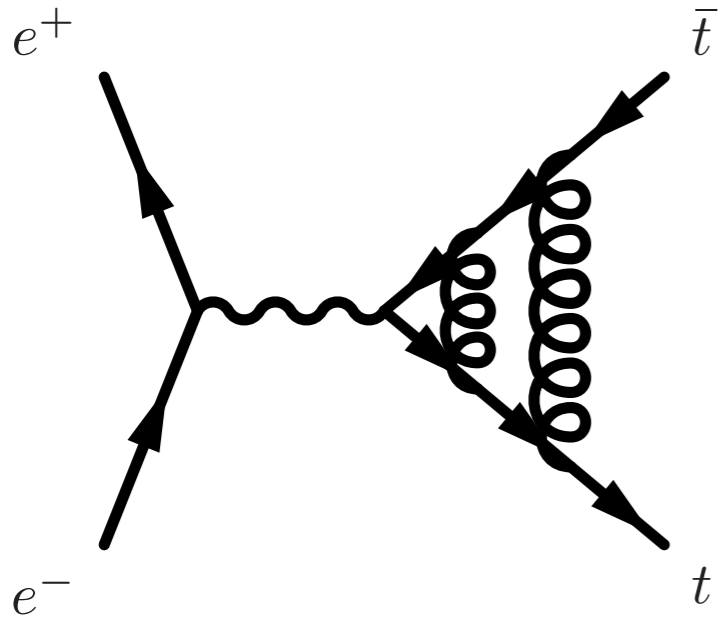
This talk: $t\bar{t}$ production in the continuum at QCD NNLO



$$\sqrt{S} = 380, 500, 750, 1000? \text{ GeV}$$

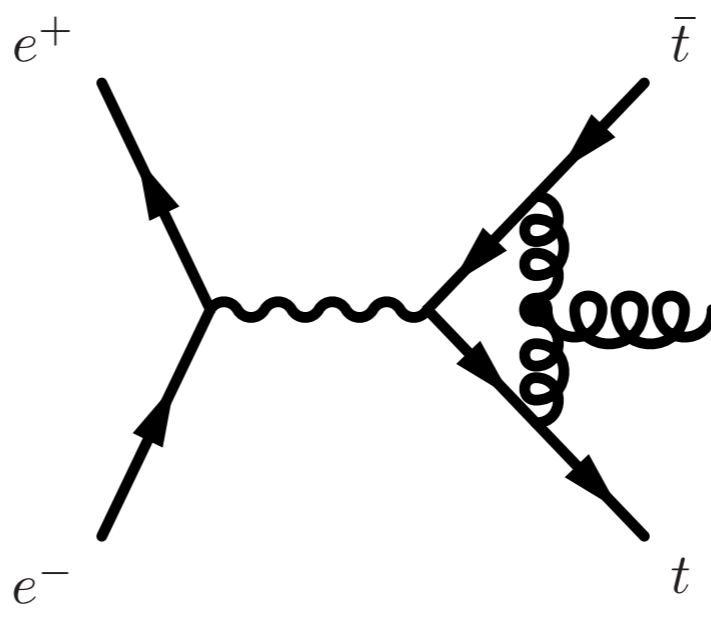
Fully differential in top quark kinematics

tT production in the continuum at QCD NNLO



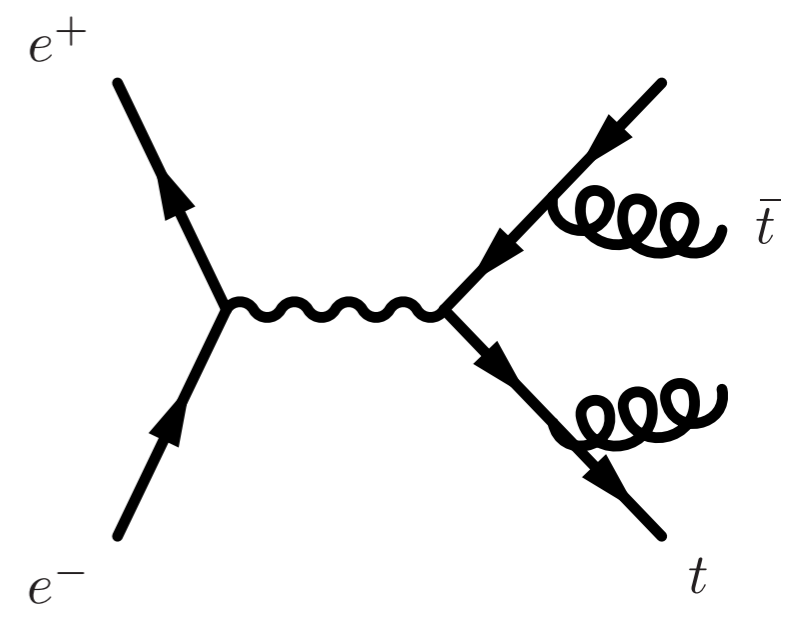
double virtual

two-loop heavy quark
form factor



real-virtual

NLO QCD corrections to
tT + jet production

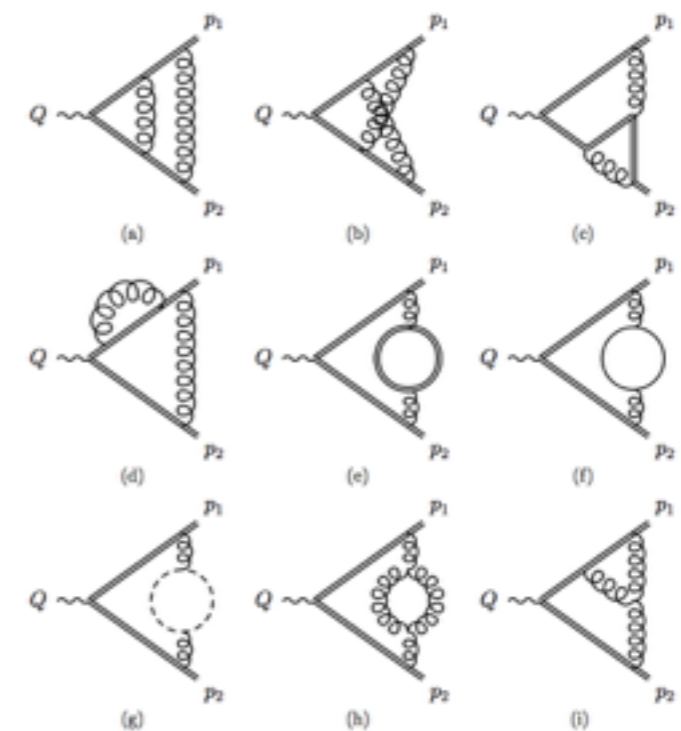


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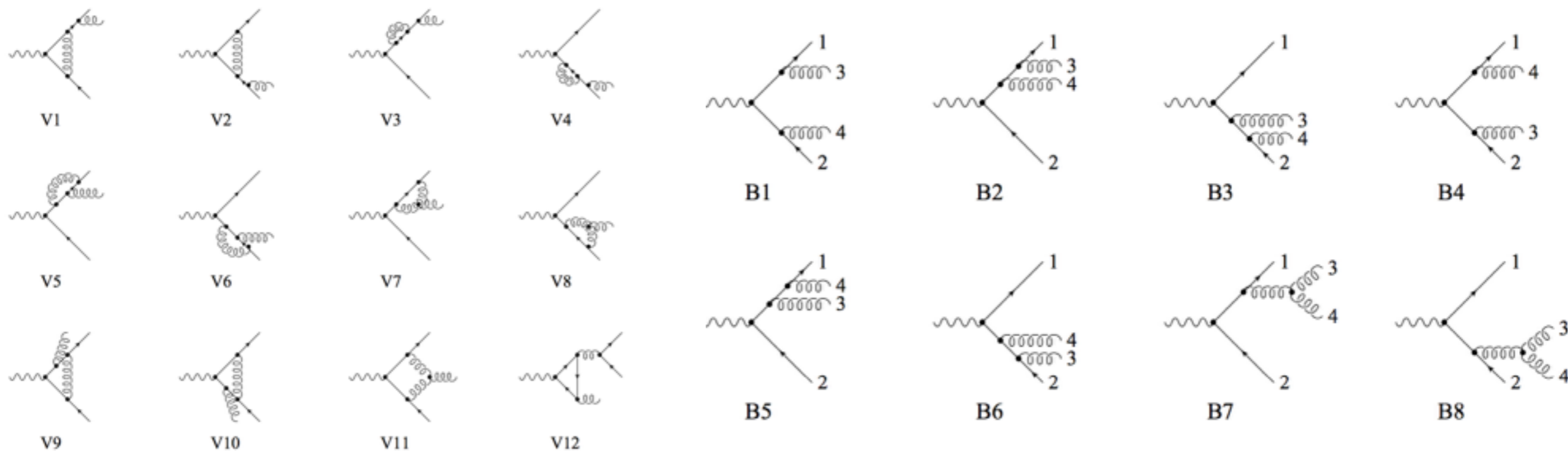
Two-loop heavy quark form factor

$$\Gamma_{\mu}^{t\bar{t}X}(k^2, q, \bar{q}) = ie \left\{ \gamma_{\mu} (F_{1V}^X(k^2) + \gamma_5 F_{1A}^X(k^2)) - \frac{\sigma_{\mu\nu}}{2m_t} (q + \bar{q})^{\nu} (iF_{2V}^X(k^2) + \gamma_5 F_{2A}^X(k^2)) \right\}$$

- ❖ The calculation of heavy quark form factor has been a subject of strong theoretical interest for a long time
- ❖ Two-loop contribution with closed fermion loops [Hoang et al., **PLB338 (1994) 330**]
- ❖ Full two-loop results available 10 years later [Bernreuther et al., **NPB706, 245(2005); NPB712, 229(2005)**]
- ❖ Application of many cutting-edge techniques at the time: integration-by-parts identities, Lorentz invariance, Laporta algorithm, method of differential equation
- ❖ Results written with 50 pages of harmonic polylogarithms.

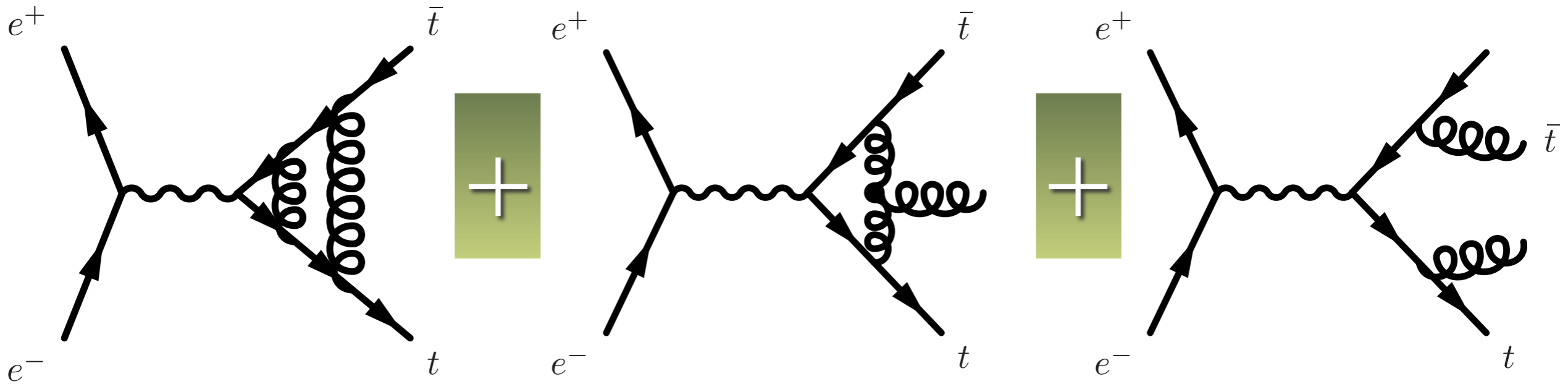


heavy quark pair + jet at NLO



- ❖ NLO calculation available for about twenty years [Brandenburg, Uwer, NPB515(1998)279; Nason, Oleari, NPB521(1998)237; Rodrigo, Bilenky, Santamaria, NPB554(1999)257]
- ❖ These used to be difficult calculation. The remarkable progress in calculation technique for **one-loop amplitude**, and **NLO subtraction of infrared/collinear singularity** make such calculation “almost” trivial nowadays. For example can be automated using tools like **Gosam**.

tT+X at QCD NNLO



double virtual

$$\frac{A_1}{\epsilon_{\text{IR}}^2} + \frac{B_1}{\epsilon_{\text{IR}}}$$

real-virtual

$$\frac{A_2}{\epsilon_{\text{IR}}^2} + \frac{B_2}{\epsilon_{\text{IR}}}$$

double real

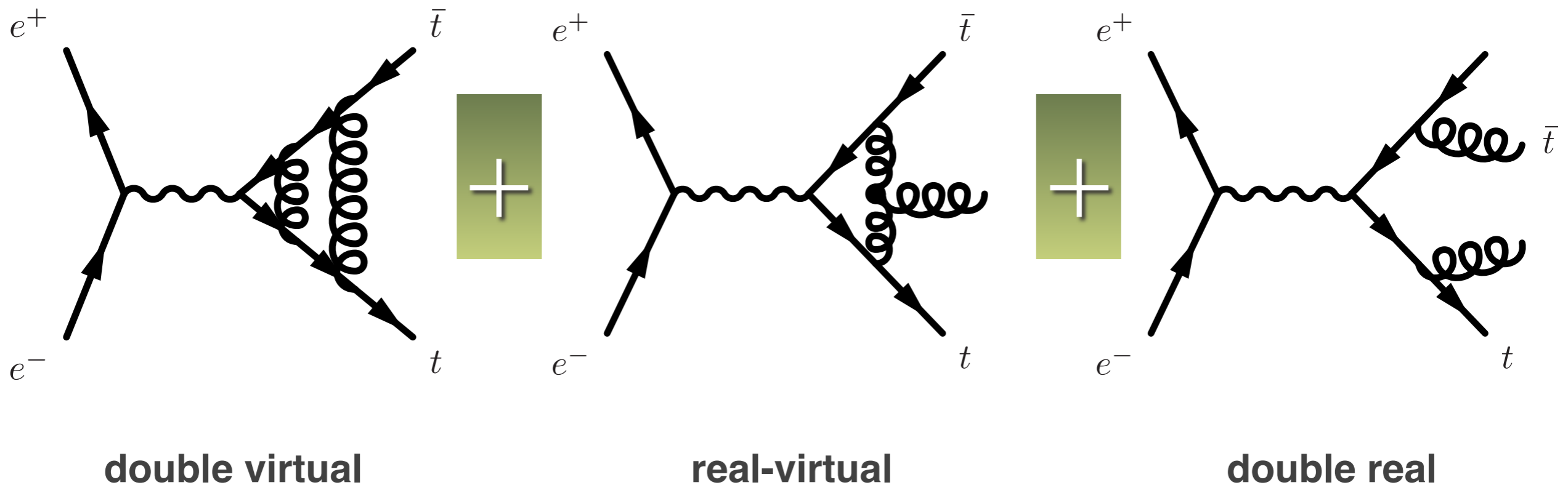
$$\frac{A_3}{\epsilon_{\text{IR}}^2} + \frac{B_3}{\epsilon_{\text{IR}}}$$

For IR-safe cross section

$$\sum_i A_i = 0$$

$$\sum_i B_i = 0$$

tT+X at QCD NNLO

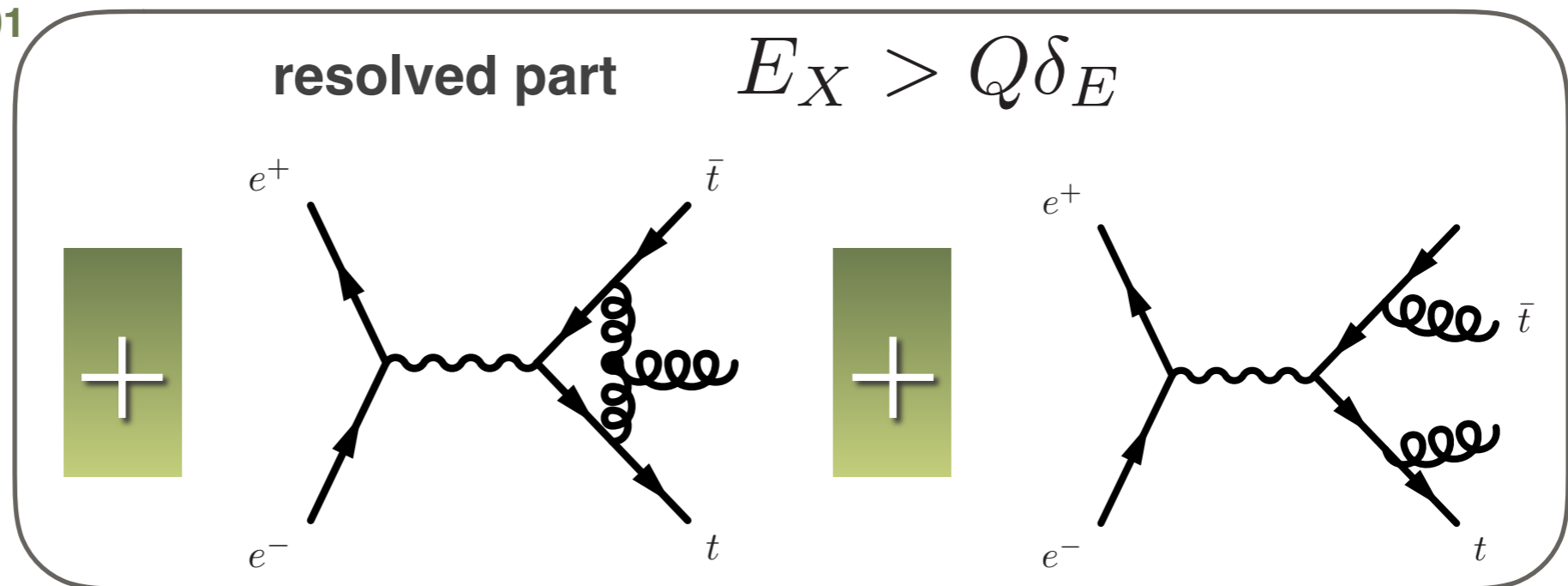


- ❖ The infrared divergences origin from the real or virtual gluons become soft
- ❖ In the double virtual corrections, the IR poles are manifest, while in the real-virtual and double real they come from phase space integration
- ❖ The most successful method to deal with these poles at NLO is the subtraction, but at NNLO becomes too tedious
- ❖ Instead we generalize the more phase space slicing method to NNLO to overcome this problem

Phase space slicing using radiation energy

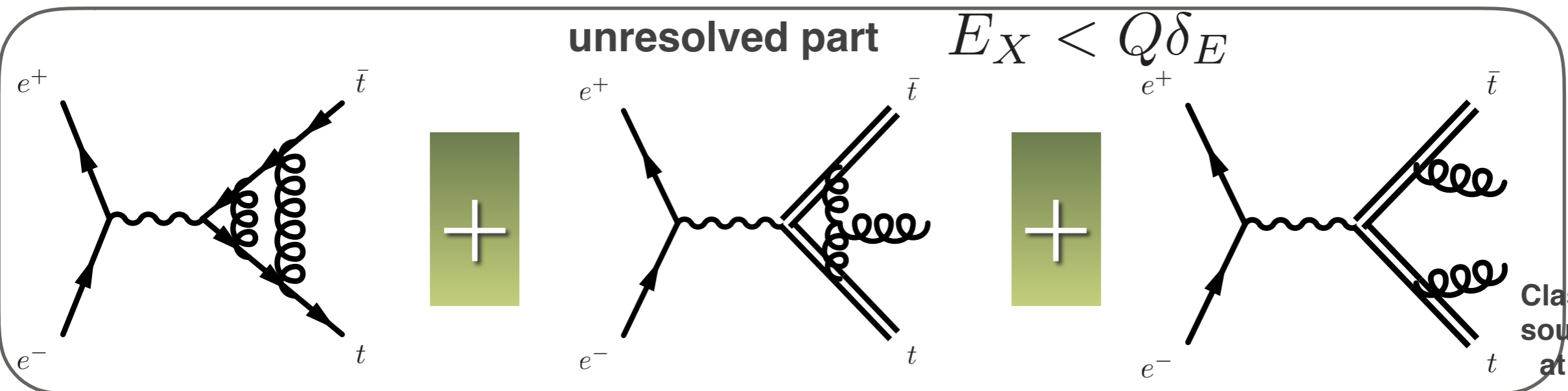
von Manteuffel, Schabinger, H.X.Z, PRD92(2015)no.4,045034; J. Gao, H.X.Z, PRD90.114022; J. Gao, H.X.Z, PRL113(2014)262001

E_x : energy of QCD radiations from heavy quark pair



$$\tilde{C}_2 \ln^2 \delta_E + \tilde{D}_2 \ln \delta_E$$

$$\tilde{C}_3 \ln^2 \delta_E + \tilde{D}_3 \ln \delta_E$$



$$\frac{A_1}{\epsilon_{\text{IR}}^2} + \frac{B_1}{\epsilon_{\text{IR}}}$$

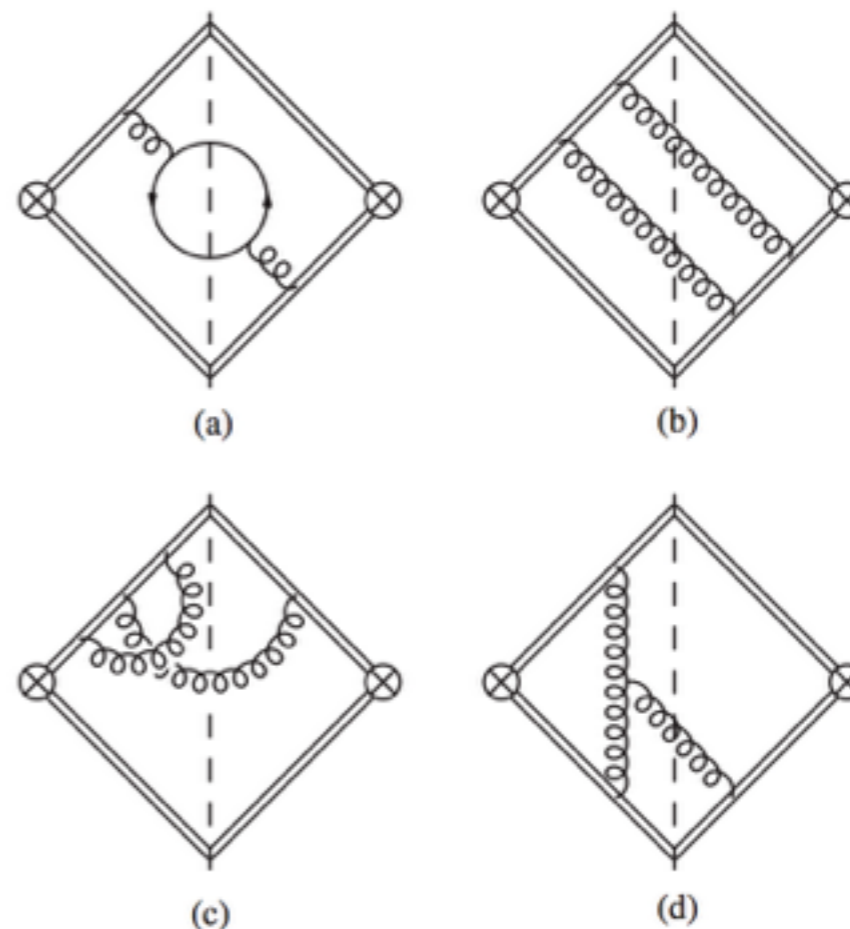
$$\frac{A_2}{\epsilon_{\text{IR}}^2} + \frac{B_2}{\epsilon_{\text{IR}}} + \tilde{A}_2 \ln^2 \delta_E + \tilde{B}_2 \ln \delta_E$$

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Analytic calculation of the unresolved part

von Manteuffel, Schabinger, H.X.Z, PRD92(2015)no.4,045034

- ❖ The difficult phase space integral reduces to calculation of matrix element of time-like Wilson loop
- ❖ Can be treated analytically
- ❖ Results written in about two pages of harmonic polylogarithms



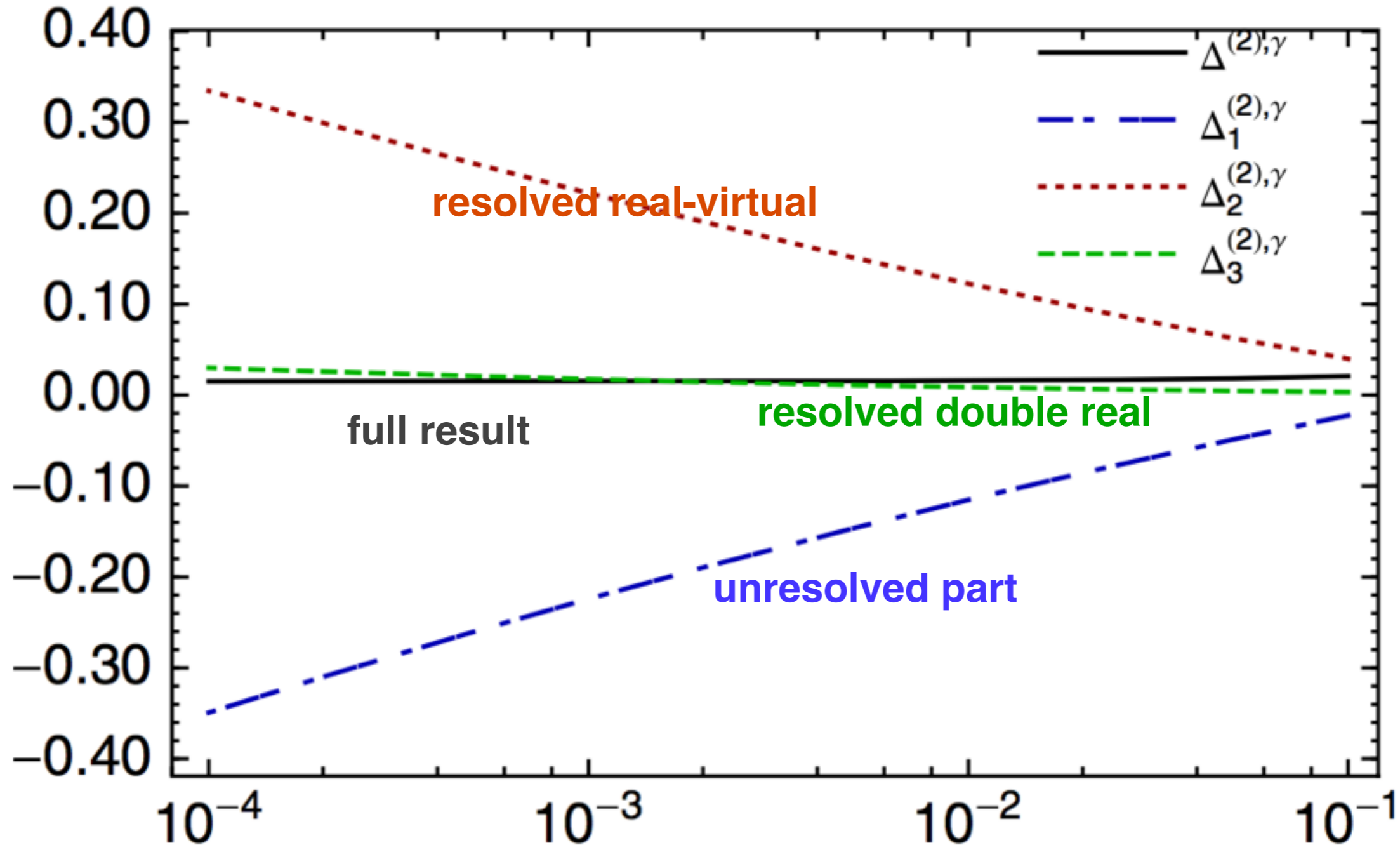
$$\begin{aligned}
 c_2(x) = & C_1 \left[2 \frac{(1+x^2)^2}{(1-x^2)^2} \left(G^2(0,x) - 8G(1,x)G^2(0,x) + 8 \left(2G^2(1,x) + G(0,1,x) + \frac{\pi^2}{6} \right) G^2(0,x) \right. \right. \\
 & - 32 \left(G(0,1,x) + \frac{\pi^2}{6} \right) G(1,x)G(0,x) + 16G^2(0,1,x) + \frac{16\pi^2}{3} G(0,1,x) + \frac{4\pi^2}{9} \left. \right) \\
 & + 8 \frac{(1+x^2)}{(1-x^2)} \left(G^2(0,x) - 4G(1,x)G(0,x) + 4G(0,1,x) + \frac{2\pi^2}{3} \right) G(0,x) + 8 \frac{(1+x^2)^2}{(1-x^2)} G^2(0,x) \\
 & + C_2 C_3 \left[-\frac{224}{27} + \frac{16(1-3x+x^2)}{9(1-x^2)} \left(G(0,x) - 4G(1,x)G(0,x) + 4G(0,1,x) + \frac{2\pi^2}{3} \right) \right. \\
 & + \frac{8(1+x^2)}{3(1-x^2)} \left(-\frac{1}{3} G^2(0,x) + 2G(1,x)G^2(0,x) - 4 \left(G^2(1,x) + \frac{\pi^2}{6} \right) G(0,x) + \frac{4\pi^2}{3} G(1,x) \right. \\
 & \left. \left. + 8G(1,x)G(0,1,x) - 4G(0,0,1,x) - 8G(0,1,1,x) + 4\zeta(3) \right) + \frac{16(1+30x+x^2)}{27(1-x^2)} G(0,x) \right] \\
 & + C_4 C_5 \left[-\frac{2(11x^4 - 84x^3 + 24x^2 + 12x - 11)}{9(1-x^2)^2} G^2(0,x) + \frac{4(55x^2 - 294x + 55)}{27(1-x^2)} G(0,x) \right. \\
 & + \frac{4(17x^2 - 32x^2 + 68x - 17)}{9(1-x^2)(1-x)} G^2(0,x) + \frac{8\pi^2(5x^4 + 27x^3 + 6x^2 + 3x + 7)}{9(1-x^2)^2} G(0,x) \\
 & - 4\zeta(3) \frac{(1+x^2)(9+x^2)}{(1-x^2)^2} G(0,x) + \frac{4\pi^2(11x^2 + 66x - 25)}{27(1-x^2)} + \frac{\pi^2(1+x^2)(77 + 221x^2)}{90(1-x^2)^2} \\
 & + \frac{16(26x^2 - 33x + 26)}{9(1-x^2)} (G(0,x)G(1,x) - G(0,1,x)) + \frac{8\pi^2(1+x^2)(3+7x^2)}{3(1-x^2)^2} (G(0,1,x) \\
 & - G(0,x)G(1,x)) + 8 \frac{3x^2 - 7x^2 - 5x + 1}{(1-x^2)(1-x)} (G(-1,x)G^2(0,x) - 2G(0,-1,x)G(0,x) \\
 & + 2G(0,0,-1,x)) + 16 \frac{x^2 - x^2 + 3x + 1}{(1-x^2)(1+x)} (2G(0,0,-1,x) - G(0,x)G(0,-1,x)) \\
 & + \frac{8(13x^4 - 72x^3 + 11)}{3(1-x^2)^2} (2G(0,0,1,x) - G(0,x)G(0,1,x)) - 8 \frac{(1+x^2)(3x^2 - 1)}{(1-x^2)^2} \\
 & \times (6G(0,0,0,-1,x) + G(0,-1,x)G^2(0,x) - 4G(0,0,-1,x)G(0,x)) \\
 & + \frac{1+x^2}{1-x^2} \left(\frac{8}{3} G(-1,x)G^2(0,x) + \left(\frac{4}{3} G(1,x) - 8G(0,-1,x) \right) G^2(0,x) + (24G^2(-1,x) \right. \\
 & - 16G(1,x)G(-1,x) - \frac{16\pi^2}{3} G(-1,x) - 16G(-1,x) + \frac{16}{3} G^2(1,x) - \frac{8}{3} G(0,1,x) \left. \right) G(0,x) \\
 & \left. - \frac{4\pi^2}{3} G(-1,x) - \frac{100\pi^2}{9} G(1,x) - 48G(-1,x)G(0,-1,x) + 16G(1,x)G(0,-1,x) \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \frac{16\pi^2}{3} G(0,-1,x) + 16G(0,-1,x) + 16G(-1,x)G(0,1,x) - \frac{32}{3} G(1,x)G(0,1,x) \\
 & + 48G(0,-1,-1,x) - 16G(0,-1,1,x) + \frac{8}{3} G(0,0,1,x) - 16G(0,1,-1,x) + \frac{32}{3} G(0,1,1,x) \\
 & + 32G(0,0,0,-1,x) + \frac{(1+x^2)(1+3x^2)}{(1-x^2)^2} \left(\frac{8}{3} G(1,x)G^3(0,x) + 16G(0,0,1,x)G(0,x) \right. \\
 & \left. + \left(\frac{2\pi^2}{3} - 8G(0,1,x) \right) G^2(0,x) - 16G(0,0,0,1,x) \right) + \frac{x^2(1+x^2)}{(1-x^2)^2} \left(-\frac{4}{3} G^4(0,x) \right. \\
 & \left. + 96G(0,0,1,x)G(0,x) - 288G(0,0,0,1,x) \right) + \frac{(1+x^2)^2}{(1-x^2)^2} (16G(0,1,x)G^2(0,x) \\
 & + (16G(0,1,-1,x) - 64G(0,0,1,x) - 32G(1,x)G(0,1,x) + 48G(0,-1,-1,x) \\
 & - 32G(1,x)G(0,-1,x) + 16G(0,-1,1,x) + 16G(0,1,1,x))G(0,x) - 24G^2(0,-1,x) \\
 & + 8G^2(0,1,x) - \frac{4\pi^2}{3} G(0,-1,x) - \frac{4\pi^2}{3} G(0,1,x) + 16G(0,-1,x)G(0,1,x) \\
 & + 64G(1,x)G(0,0,-1,x) + 64G(1,x)G(0,0,1,x) - 64G(0,0,-1,1,x) + 96G(0,0,0,1,x) \\
 & - 64G(0,0,1,-1,x) + 16G(1,x)\zeta(3) - 64G(0,0,1,1,x) - 32G(0,1,0,-1,x) \\
 & \left. + \frac{4\zeta(3)(13x^4 - 12x^2 - 49)}{3(1-x^2)^2} + \frac{592}{27} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

Validating the calculation: cancellation of slicing parameter δ_E

J. Gao, H.X.Z, PRD90.114022

$\Delta^{(2),\gamma}$ vs. δ_E , $s^{1/2}=500$ GeV, color: sum

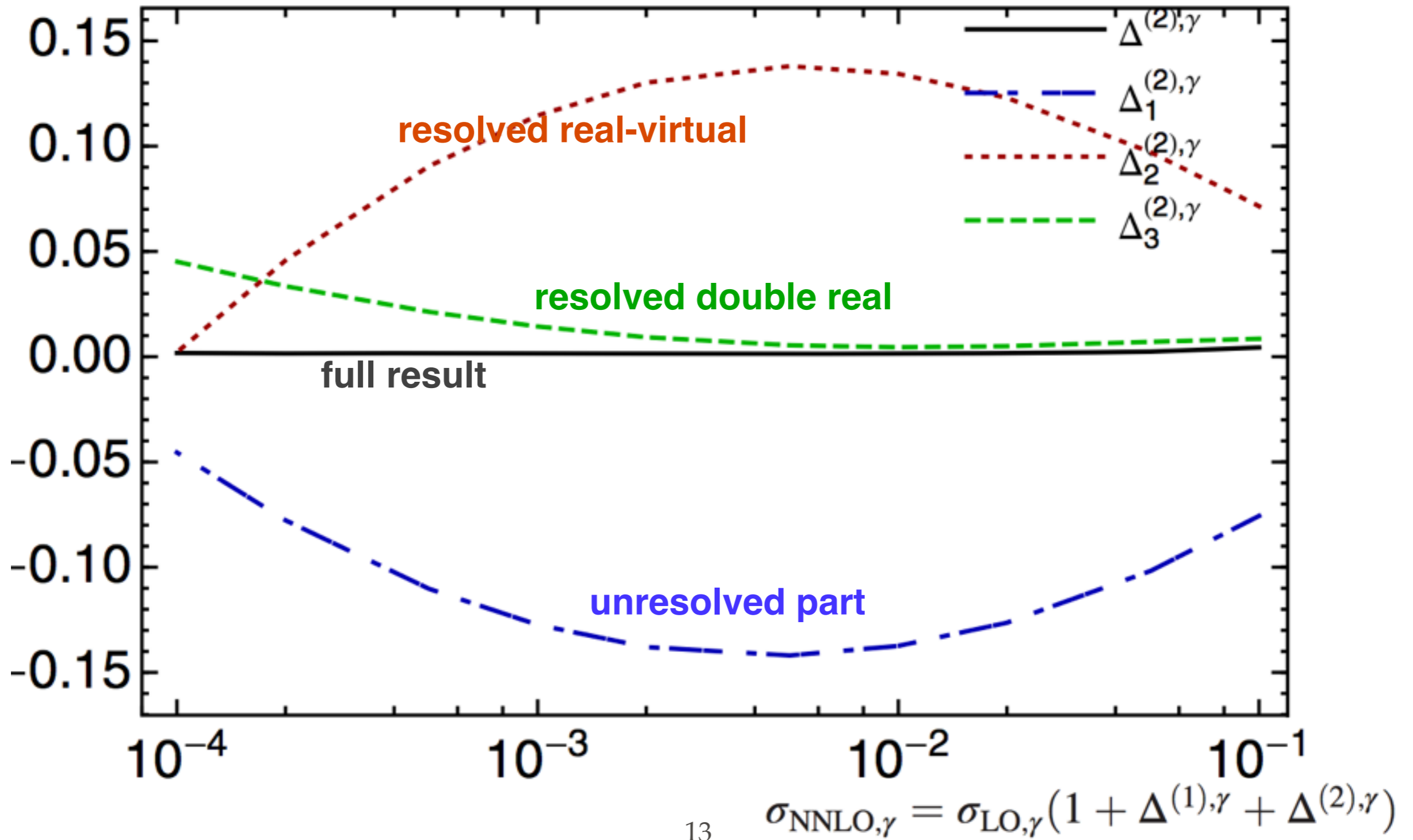


$$\sigma_{\text{NNLO},\gamma} = \sigma_{\text{LO},\gamma} (1 + \Delta^{(1),\gamma} + \Delta^{(2),\gamma})$$

Validating the calculation: cancellation of slicing parameter δ_E

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$\Delta^{(2),\gamma}$ vs. δ_E , $s^{1/2}=1000$ GeV, color: sum

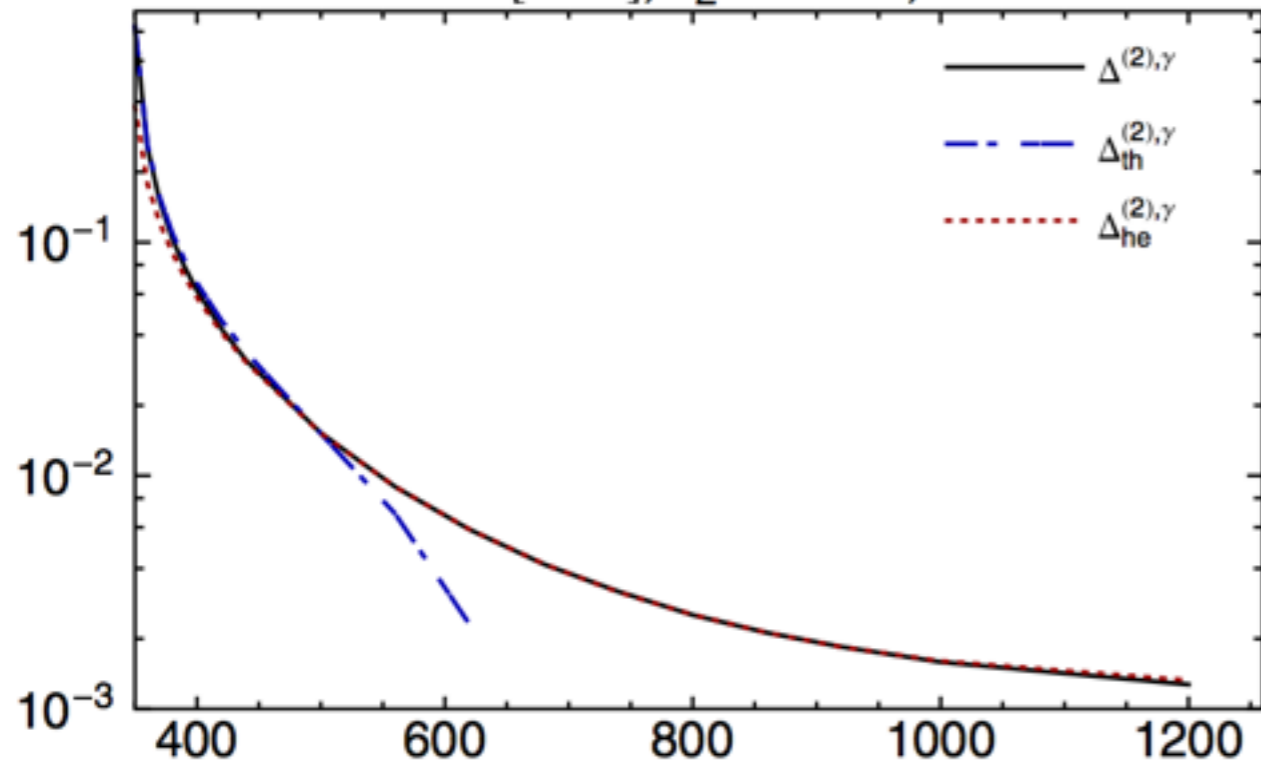


Inclusive Xsec: compare with threshold and high energy expansion

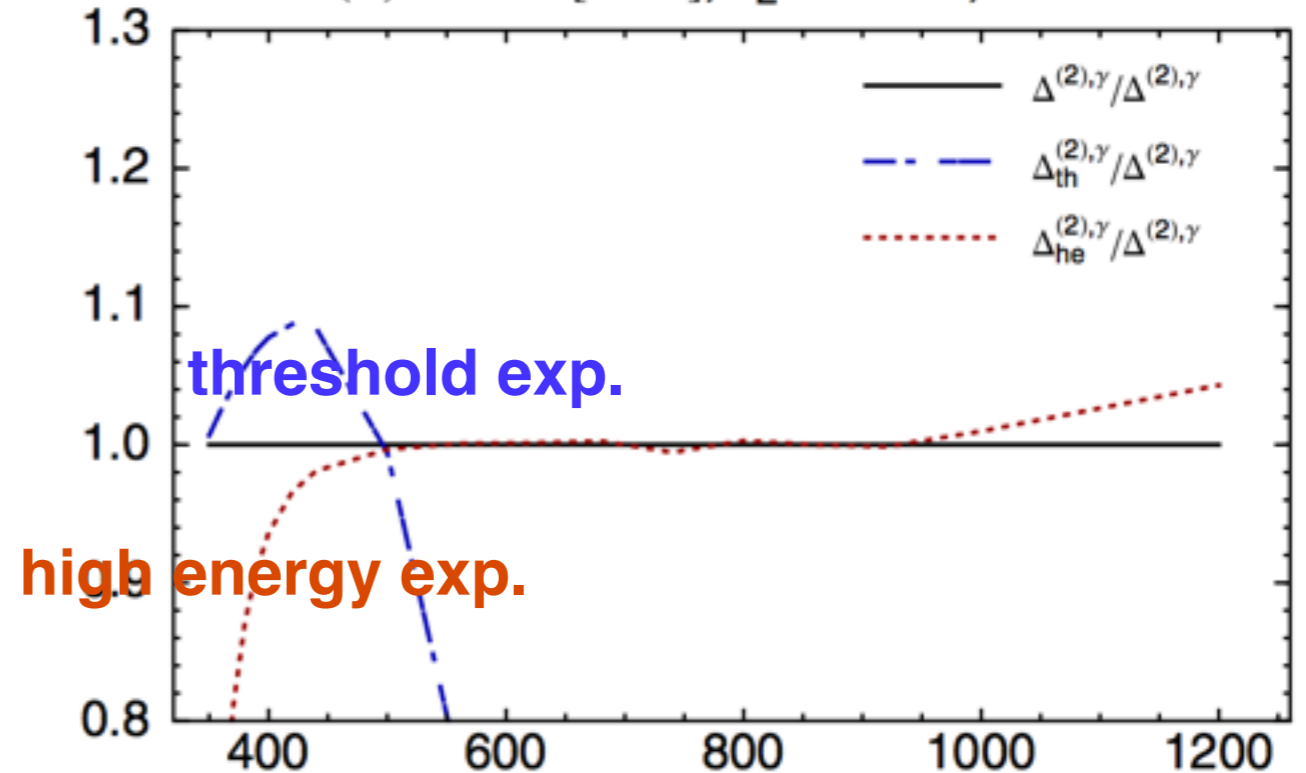
$$\sigma_{\text{NNLO},\gamma} = \sigma_{\text{LO},\gamma} (1 + \Delta^{(1),\gamma} + \Delta^{(2),\gamma})$$

J. Gao, H.X.Z, PRD90.114022; see also Dekkers, Bernreuther, PLB738(2014)325

$\Delta^{(2),\gamma}$ vs. $s^{1/2}$ [GeV], $\delta_E=0.0002$, color: sum



ratio(Δ) vs. $s^{1/2}$ [GeV], $\delta_E=0.0002$, color: sum

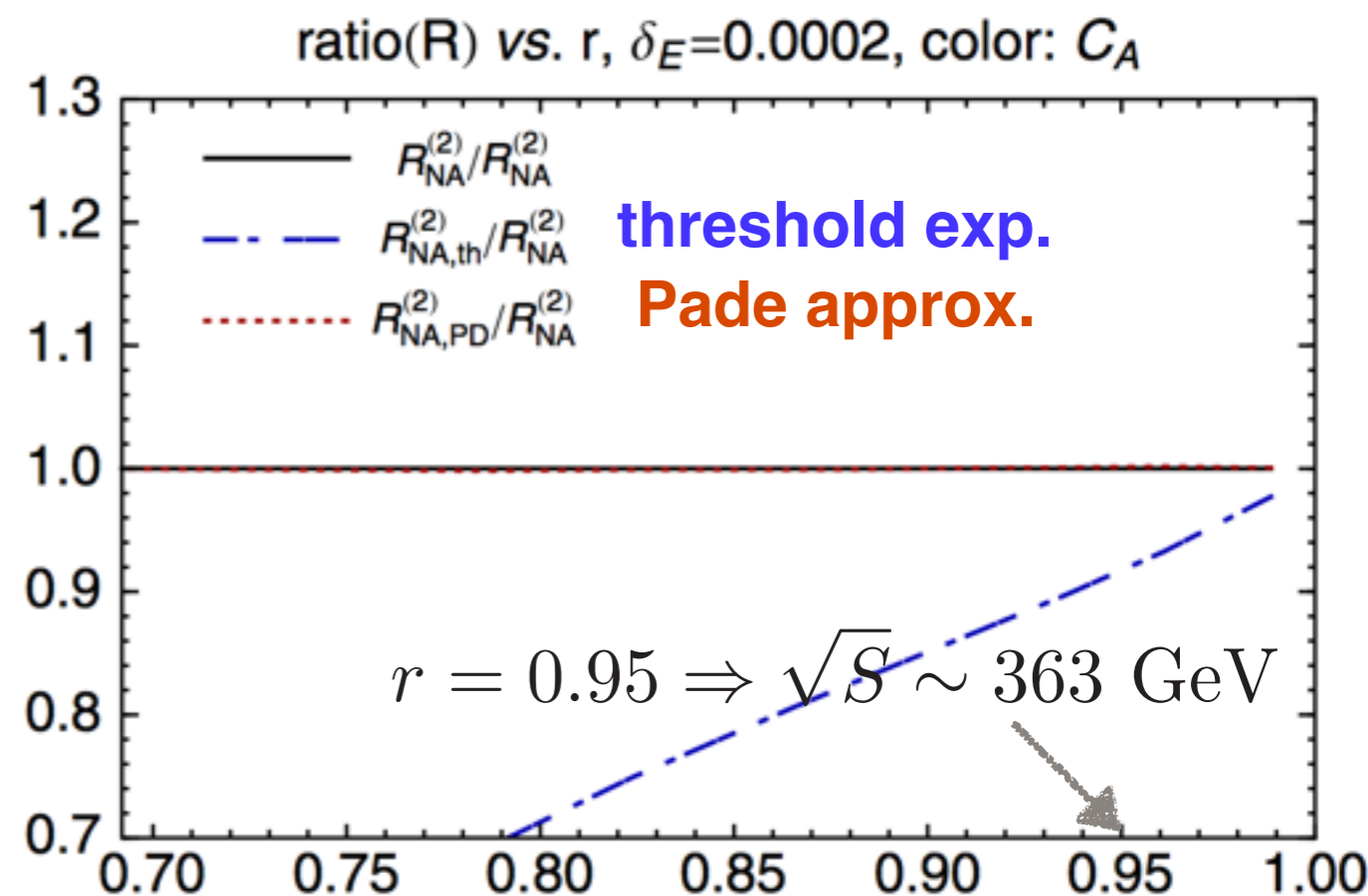
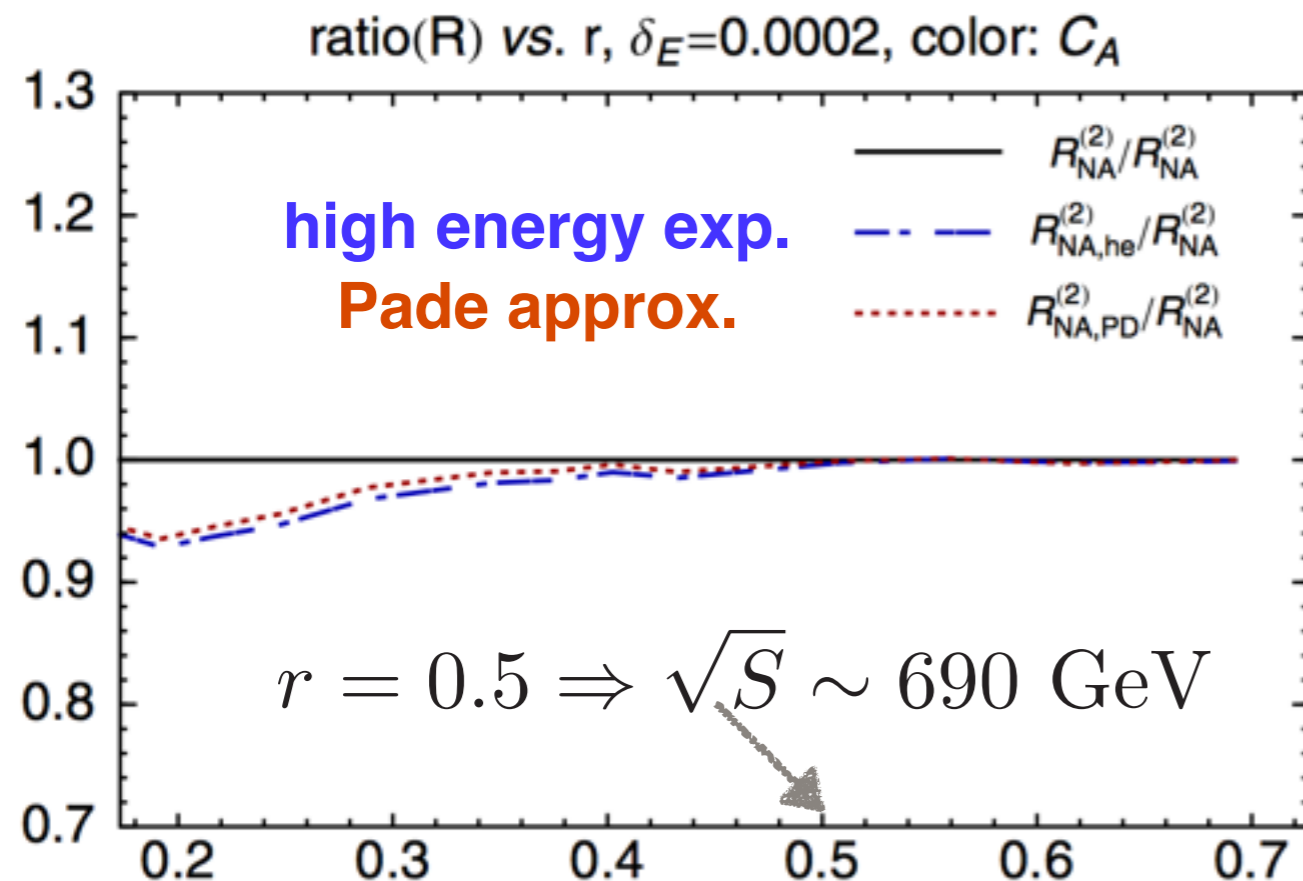


- ❖ **Two-loop threshold expansion:** [Czarnecki, Melnikov, 1998; Beneke, Signer, Smirnov, 1998; Hoang, Teubner, 1998...]
- ❖ **Two-loop high energy expansion:** [Chetyrkin, Harlander, Kuhn, Steinhauser, 1997]
- ❖ **Small corrections, every contribution matter!**
- ❖ **Fully closed fermion loop contribution very helpful in checking our calculation** [Hoang, Teubner, NPB519 (1998) 285]

Comparison with Pade approximation

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$$\sigma_{\text{NNLO},\gamma} = \sigma_{\mu^+\mu^-\gamma} \left(R^{(0)} + \frac{\alpha_s(\mu^2)}{\pi} C_F R^{(1)} + \left(\frac{\alpha_s(\mu^2)}{\pi} \right)^2 R^{(2)} \right) \quad r = 2m_t/\sqrt{S}$$



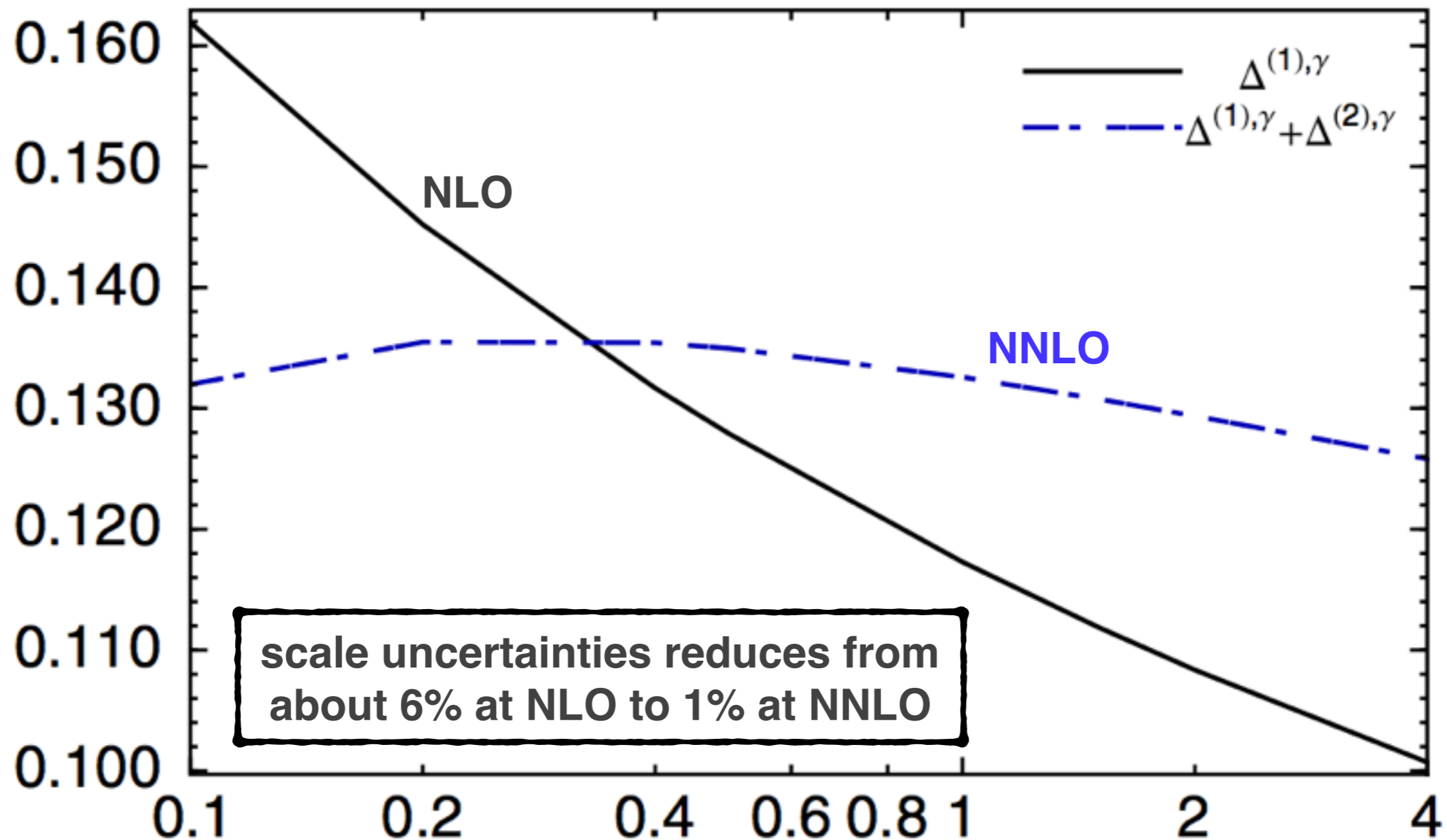
- ❖ Two-loop Pade approximation: [Chetyrkin, J. H. Kuhn, and M. Steinhauser, NPB482, 213(1996)]. Three-loop also available [Kiyo et al., NPB823(2009)269]
- ❖ In general good agreement exact at very high energy $S > (1000 \text{ GeV})^2$. Large power corrections proportional to $\delta_E \cdot \log \delta_E \cdot \log^2(S/m_t^2)$ in the numerical calculation

NNLO reduces scale uncertainties

J. Gao, H.X.Z, PRD90.114022

$$\sigma_{\text{NNLO},\gamma} = \sigma_{\text{LO},\gamma} (1 + \Delta^{(1),\gamma} + \Delta^{(2),\gamma})$$

$\Delta^{(i),\gamma}$ vs. $\mu_r/s^{1/2}$, $s^{1/2}=500$ GeV, $\delta_E=0.001$

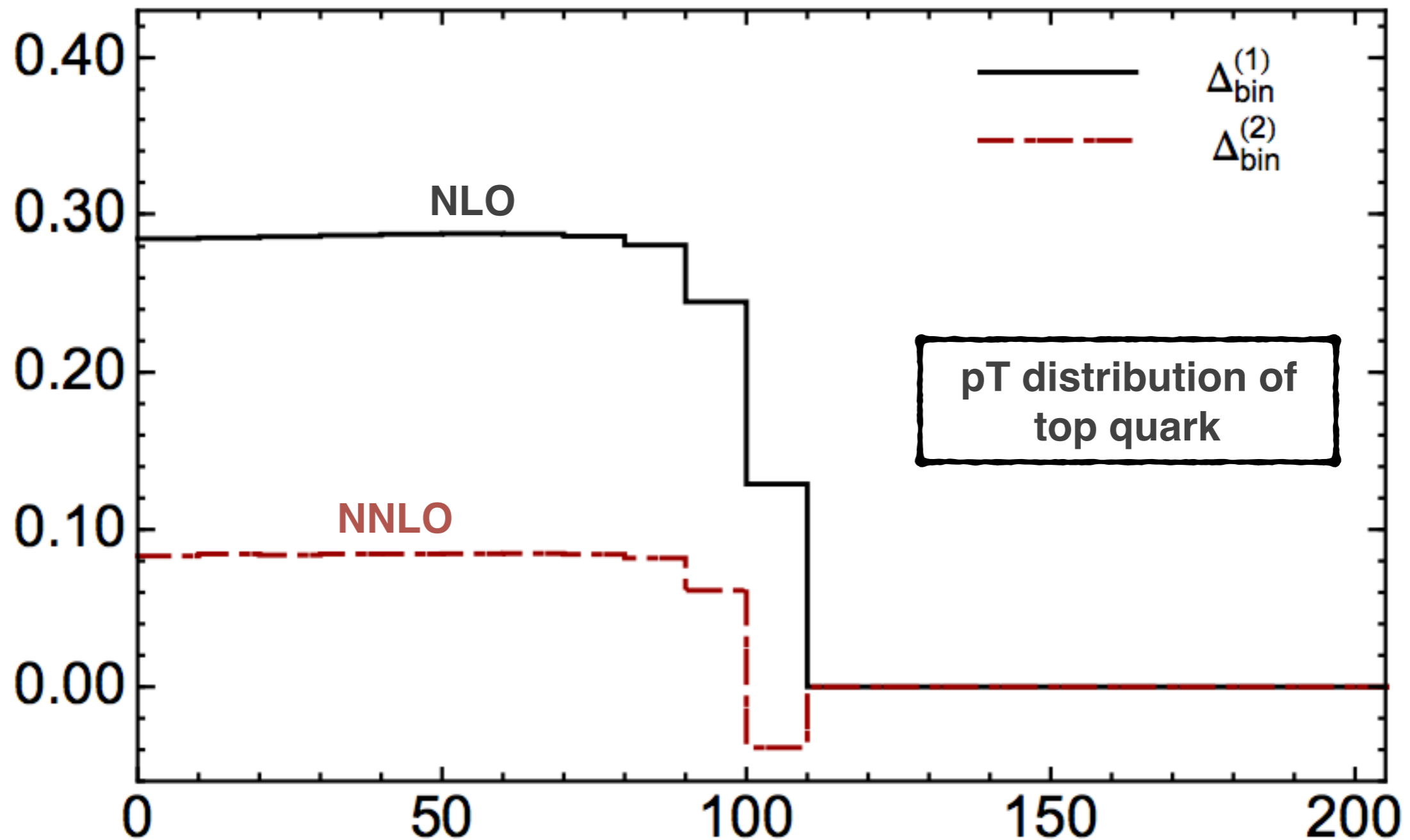


Differential distribution at NNLO

$$\sigma_{NNLO} = \sigma_{LO} (1 + \Delta^{(1)} + \Delta^{(2)})$$

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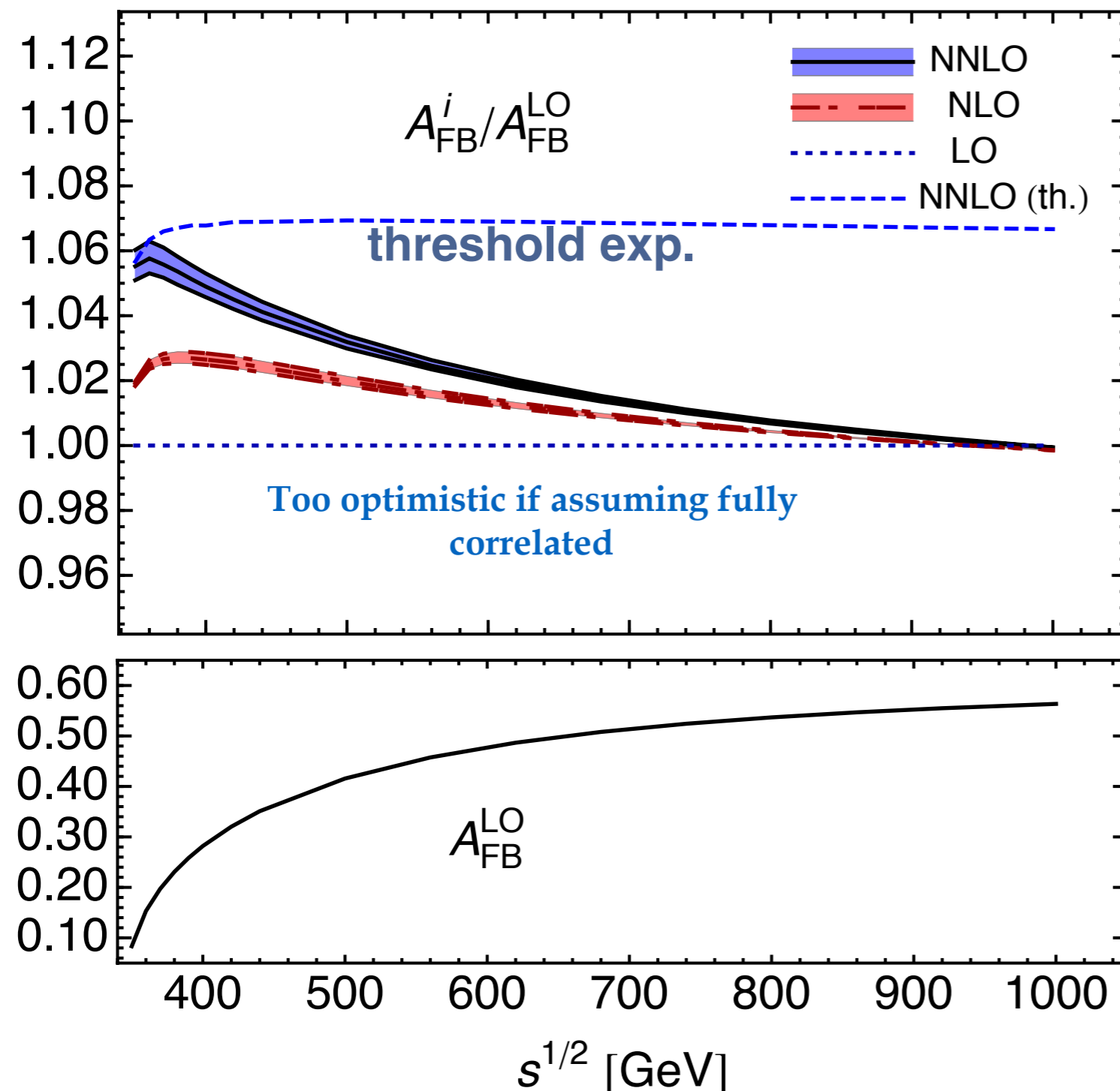
$\Delta_{\text{bin}}^{(i)}$ vs. $p_{T,t}$ [GeV], $s^{1/2}=400$ GeV



NNLO corrections to forward-backward asymmetry

J. Gao, H.X.Z, PRL113(2014)262001

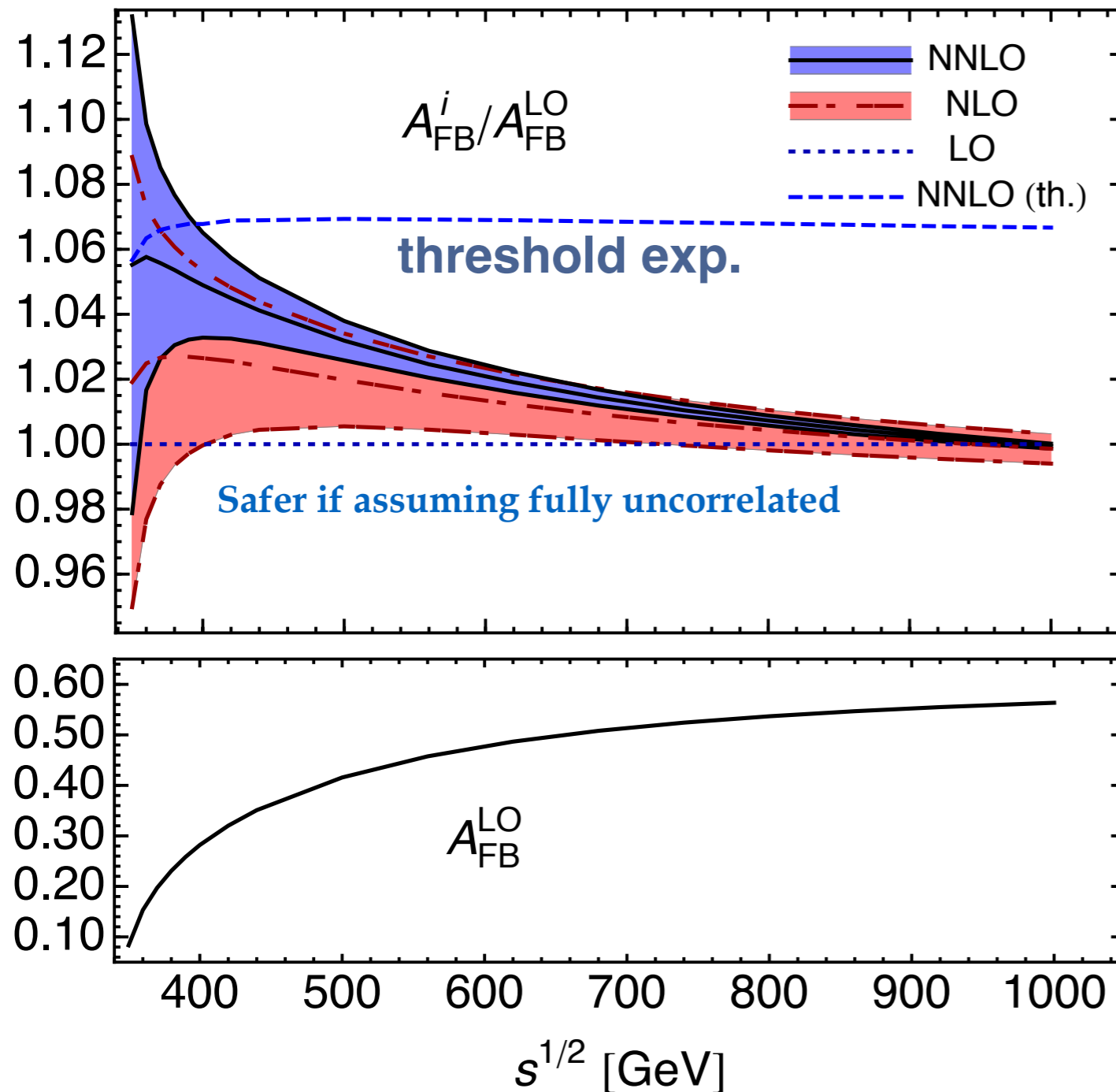
$$A_{FB} = \frac{\sigma_A}{\sigma_S} \equiv \frac{\sigma(\cos \theta_t > 0) - \sigma(\cos \theta_t < 0)}{\sigma(\cos \theta_t > 0) + \sigma(\cos \theta_t < 0)}$$



- ▶ **Estimation of the theoretical uncertainties from scale variations requires assumption on correlations of the Forward and Backward bins**
- ▶ **Fully correlated scale setting leads to too small uncertainties**

NNLO corrections to forward-backward asymmetry

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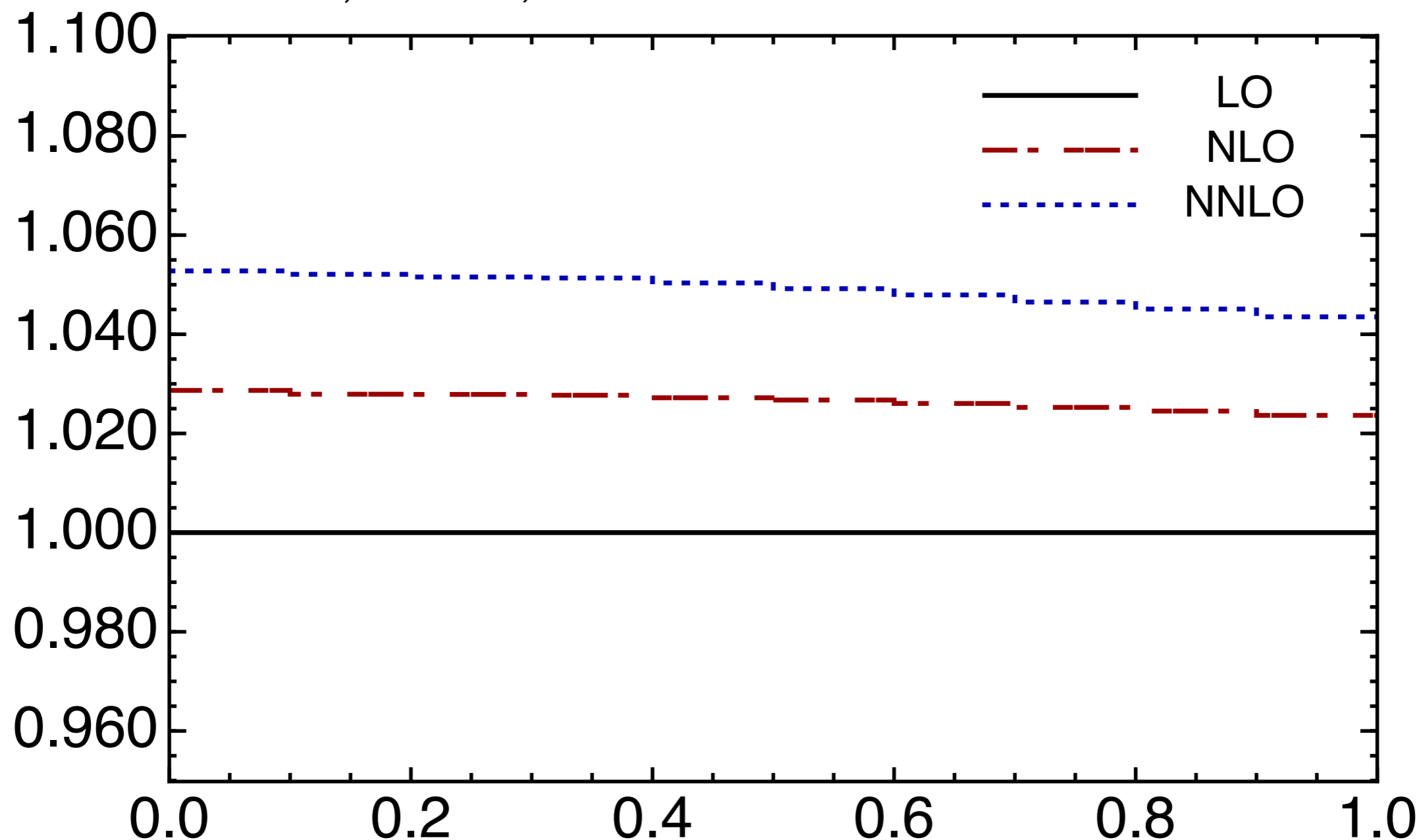


- ❖ **Uncorrelated scale setting leads to more realistic uncertainties estimate**
- ❖ **Large NNLO QCD corrections even at $\sqrt{S}=500\text{GeV}$ (about half the size of NLO corrections)**
- ❖ **NLO EW corrections about 10% [Fleischer et al., EPJC31 (2003) 37]**
- ❖ **NNLO EW corrections highly desirable**

Forward-Backward asymmetry bin-by-bin

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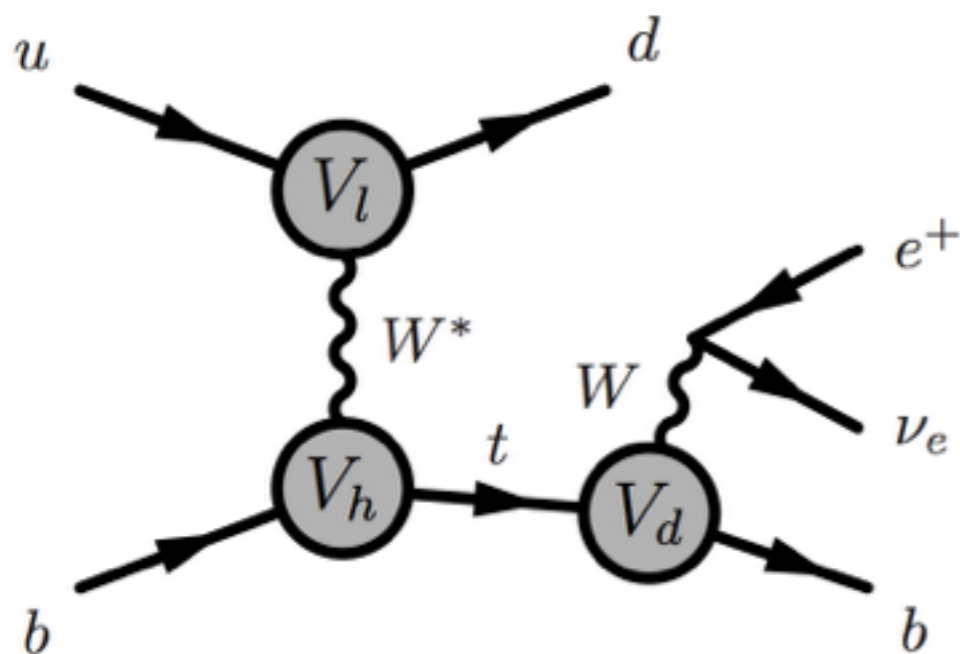
$A_{\text{FB,bin}}^i / A_{\text{FB,bin}}^{\text{LO}}$ vs. $|\cos \theta_t|$, $s^{1/2} = 400$ GeV



- ❖ Our results provide full kinematic dependence allowing for corrections of experimental acceptance

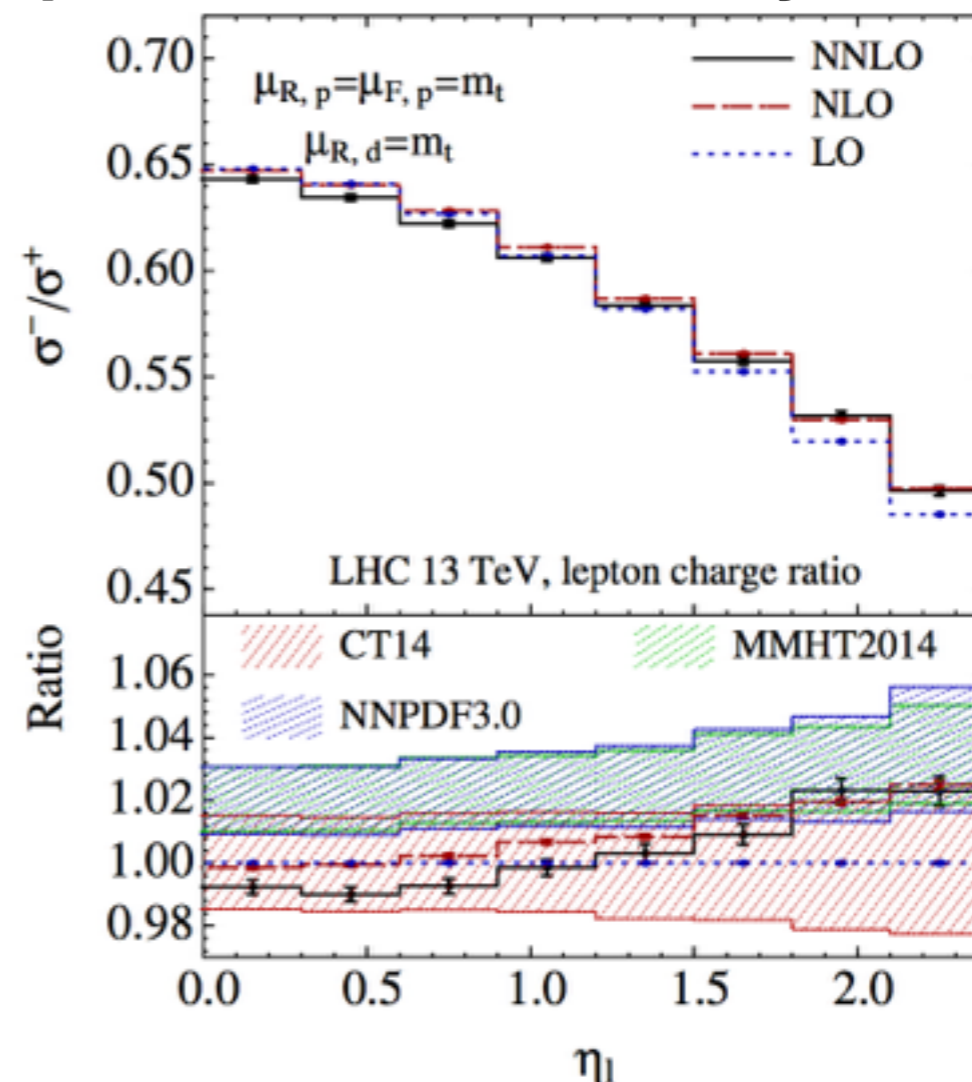
Going beyond stable top production

- ❖ Now NNLO QCD corrections to tT production at LC, and NNLO QCD corrections to top decay are available
- ❖ It would be interesting to combine production and decay at NNLO to allow full spin correlation and parton level fiducial cross section
- ❖ Example: first t-channel single top production and decay at NNLO



Structure function approximation

Berger, Gao, Yuan, HXZ, 1606.08463



Summary

- ❖ **Precision calculation for top pair production at LC has long been a theoretical arena.**
- ❖ **Full NNLO QCD corrections for tT production in the continuum now available after many years of effort of different groups**
- ❖ **Large NNLO corrections to FB asymmetry (half the size of NLO corrections). Uncertainties reduce to 0.5% in absolute size at $\sqrt{S}=500\text{GeV}$ with conservative estimate**
- ❖ **With the current accuracy of QCD prediction, two-loop EW corrections become highly important and might become the driving force of further theoretical progress in the years to come**

Thanks a lot for listening!

Backup slide

J. Gao, H.X.Z, PRL113(2014)262001

$$\sigma_{NNLO} = \sigma_{LO} (1 + \Delta^{(1)} + \Delta^{(2)})$$

$\Delta^{(i)}$ vs. $s^{1/2}$ [GeV]

