

Top Physics at Threshold



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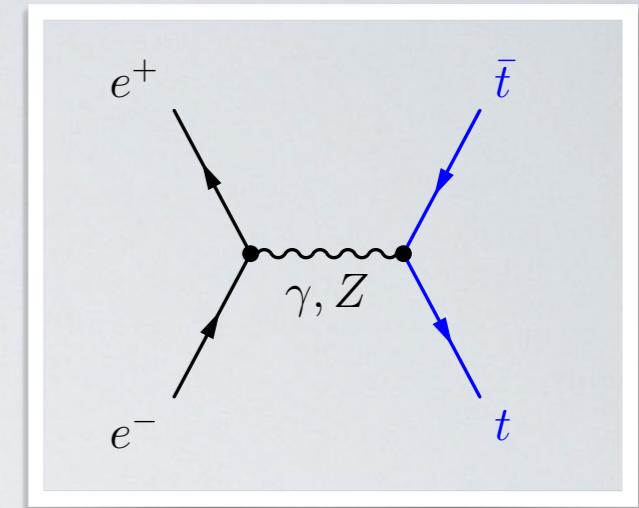
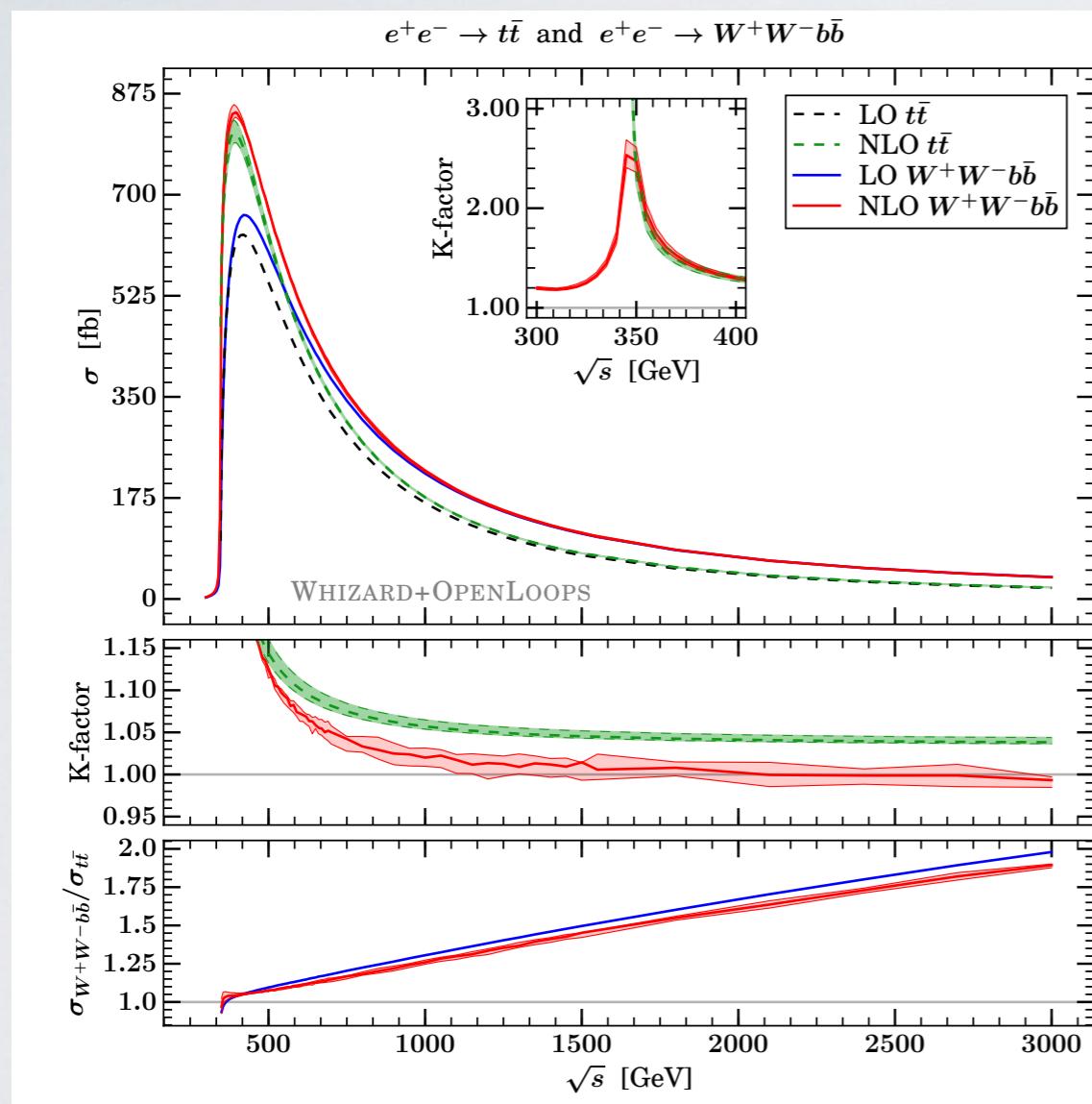
The Top as Window to New Physics

- Top Quark as only fermion has Yukawa coupling $\mathcal{O}(1)$
- Top decay happens before hadronization
- Either all other fermions are weird, or: **Top quark is something special**
- Top Quark could be composite object (e.g. if the Higgs were)
- Effect on Higgs potential: **Top plays special role in EWSB**
- Higgs used for Top Physics — and vice versa
- **Top Quark portal to new physics**
- **Precision studies of the top quark needed**



Top Quark Production

- s-channel production cross section: 0.1 - 1 pb (sub-TeV)
- 500 fb⁻¹: 500,000 top pairs @ threshold
- 4 ab⁻¹: 2,800,000 top pairs @ 500 GeV



- Access to vector- and axial-vector $t\bar{t}Z$ couplings
- Top helicities available from lepton / jet distributions

[For higher lepton energies]

- Major bkgd for EW measurements (VVV and VBS); any [most] BSM searches

Top Production & Decay: Theory Status

On-Shell process: $e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}$

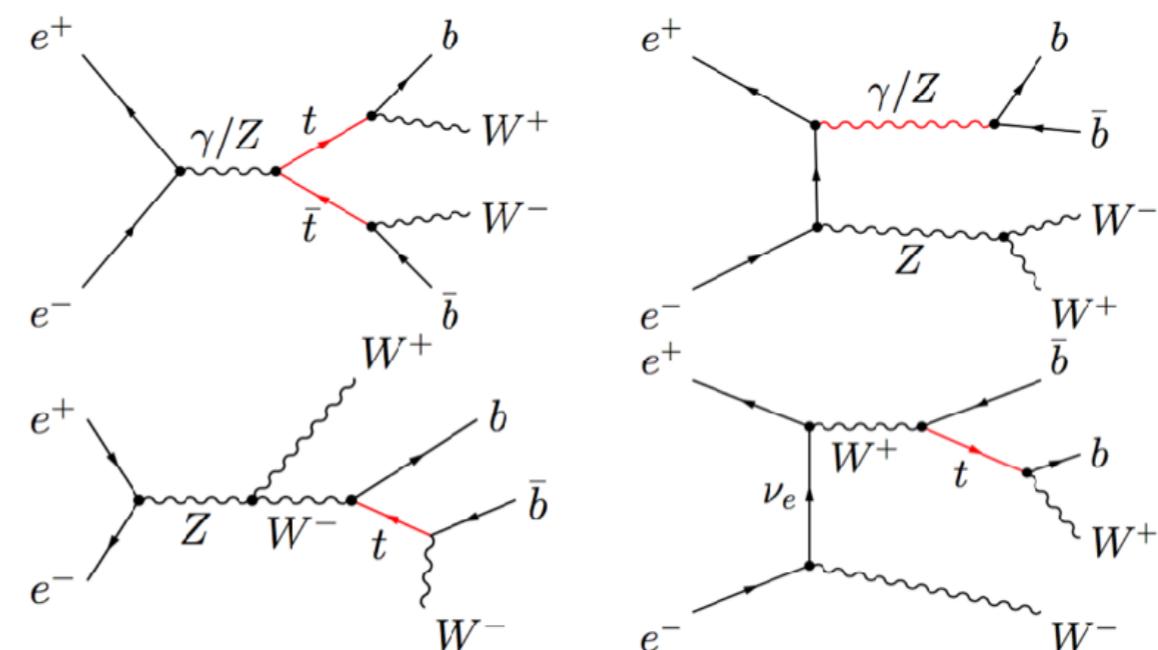
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- NLO EW [Beenakker/von der Marck/Hollik, 1991; Beenakker/Denner/Kraft, 1993; Akhundov/Bardin/Leike, 1991]
- Threshold enhancement [Fadin/Khoze, 1987; Strassler/Peskin, 1991; Jezabek/Kühn/Teubner, 1992; Sumino et al., 1992]

Off-Shell process: $e^+e^- \rightarrow W^+\bar{b}W^-b$

- NLO QCD [Guo/Ma/Wang/Zhang, 2008] X
- NLO QCD diff. [Chokoufe/JRR/Weiss, 2015; Liebler/Moortgat-Pick/Papanastasiou, 2015;
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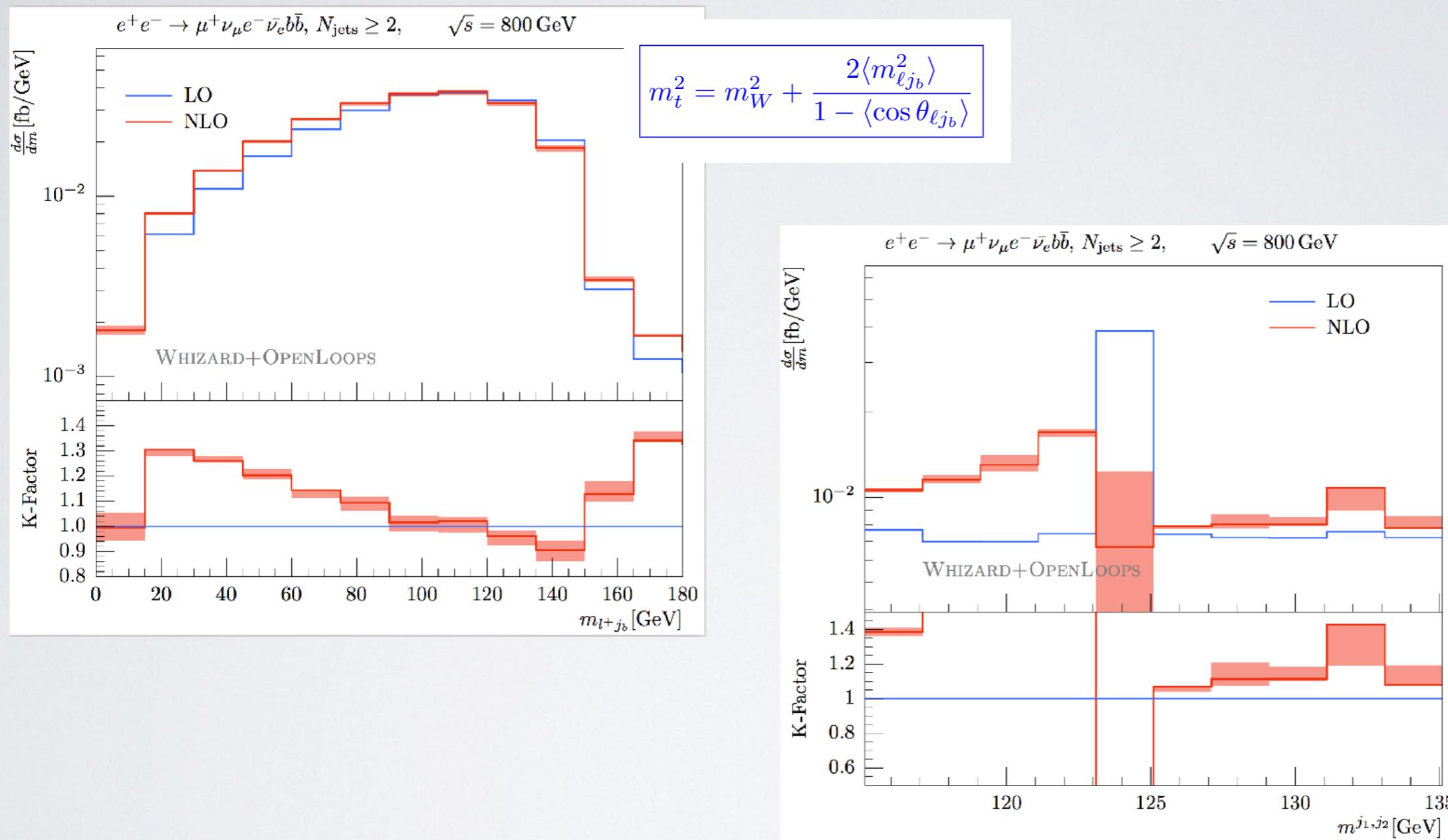
Top width: $t \rightarrow W^+b$

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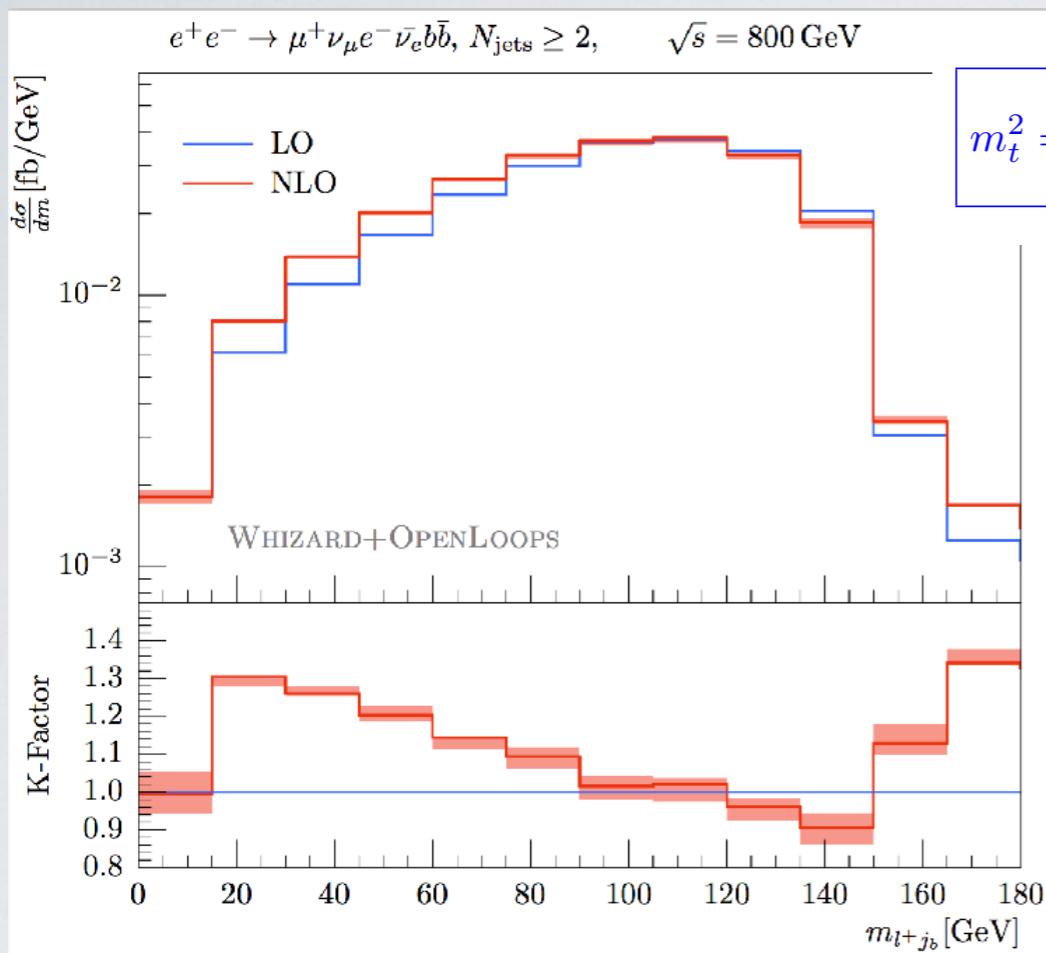
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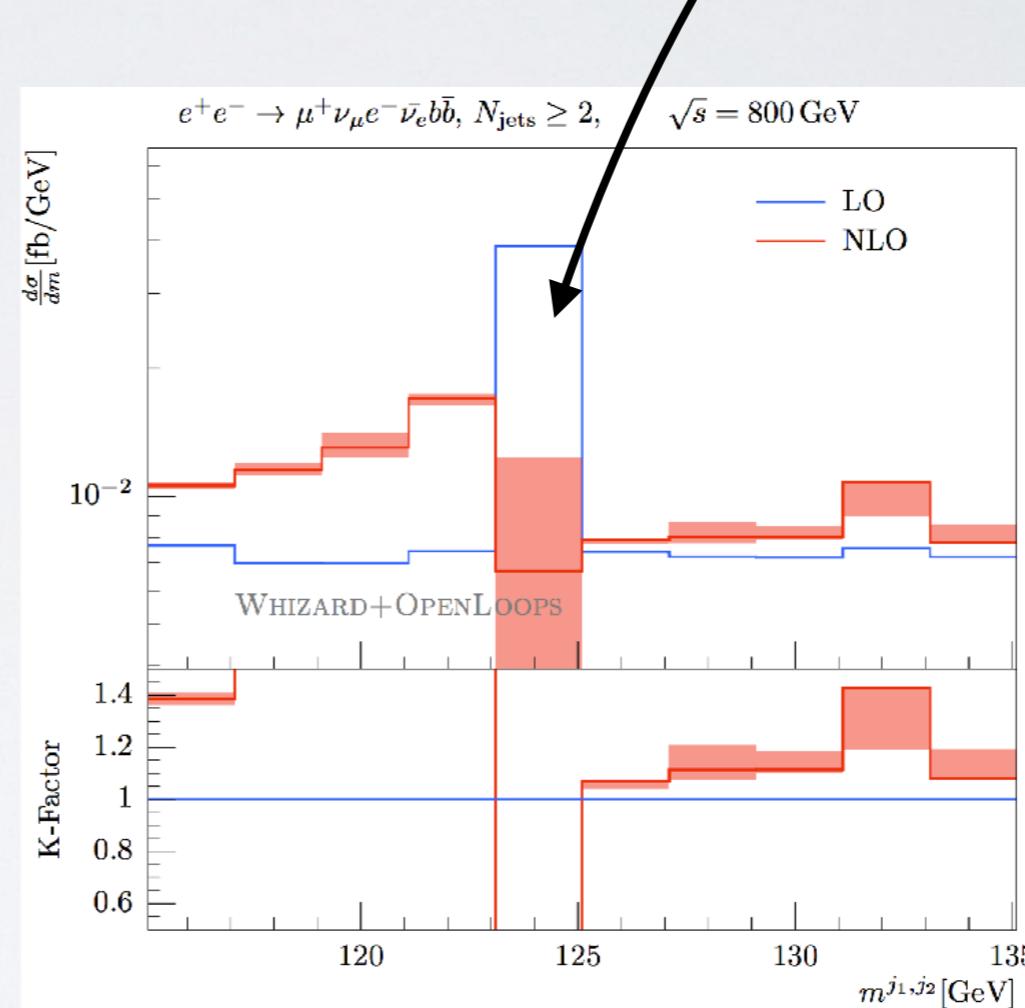
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- Full process $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\nu_\mu e^-\nu_e b\bar{b}$ contains also $e^+e^- \rightarrow W^+W^- H$ (!)



$$m_t^2 = m_W^2 + \frac{2\langle m_{\ell j_b}^2 \rangle}{1 - \langle \cos \theta_{\ell j_b} \rangle}$$



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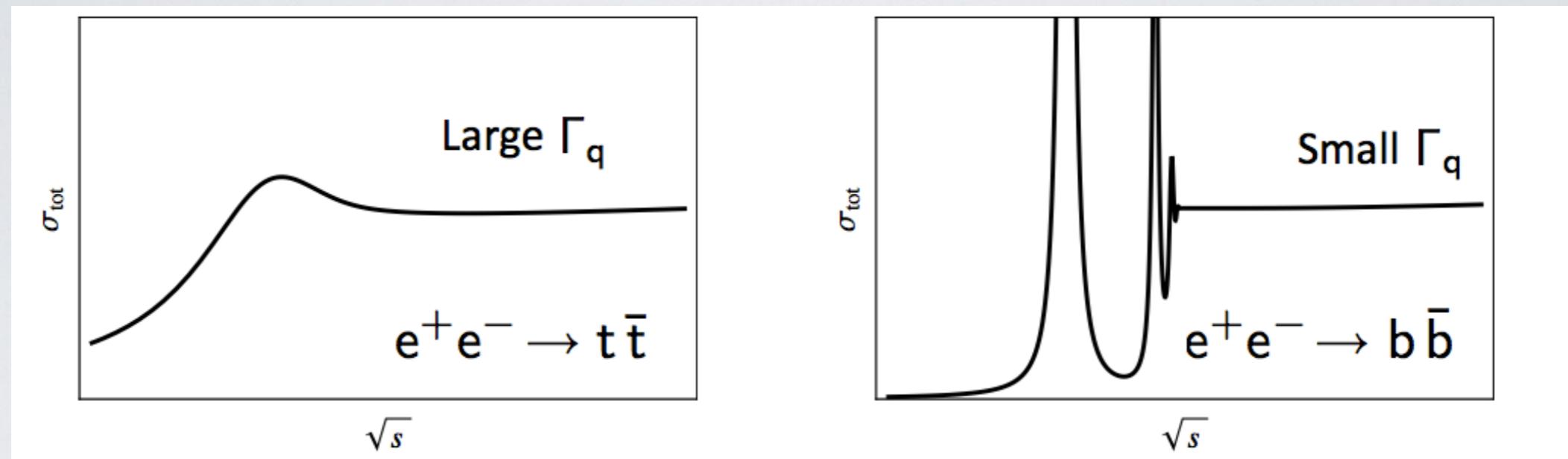
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Top Mass Measurement: Threshold

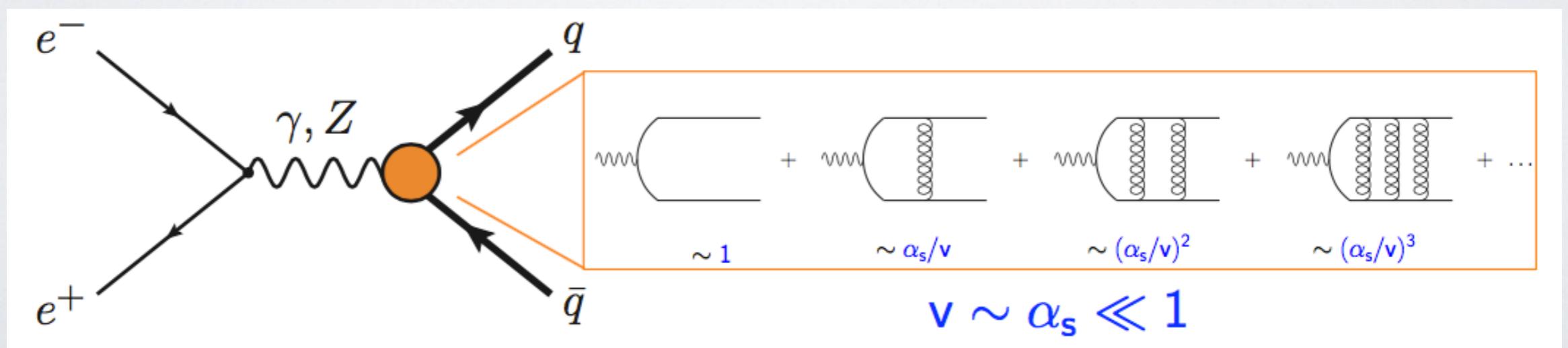
Top threshold scan best-known method to measure top quark mass, $\Delta M \sim 30\text{-}70 \text{ MeV}$

Heavy quark production at lepton colliders, qualitatively:

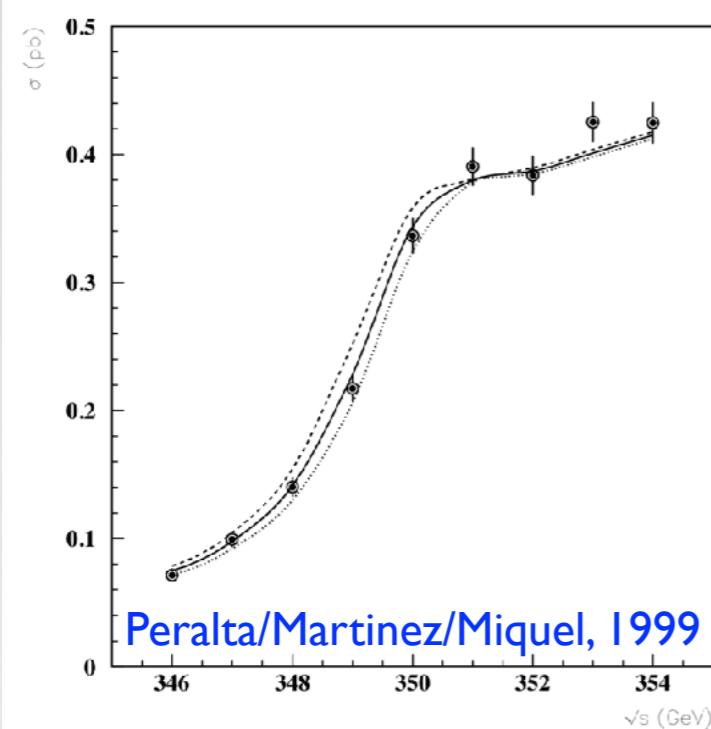


- ▶ Close to threshold: top quarks non-relativistic $v \sim \alpha_s \ll 1$
- ▶ Very strong QCD attraction due to “Coulomb” gluon exchange
- ▶ Leads to a remnant IS toponium (quasi-) bound state

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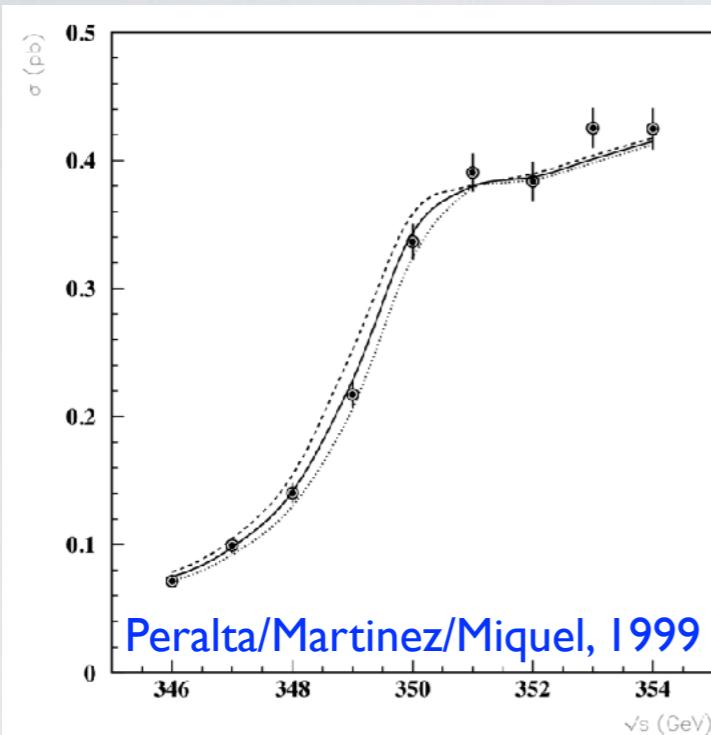
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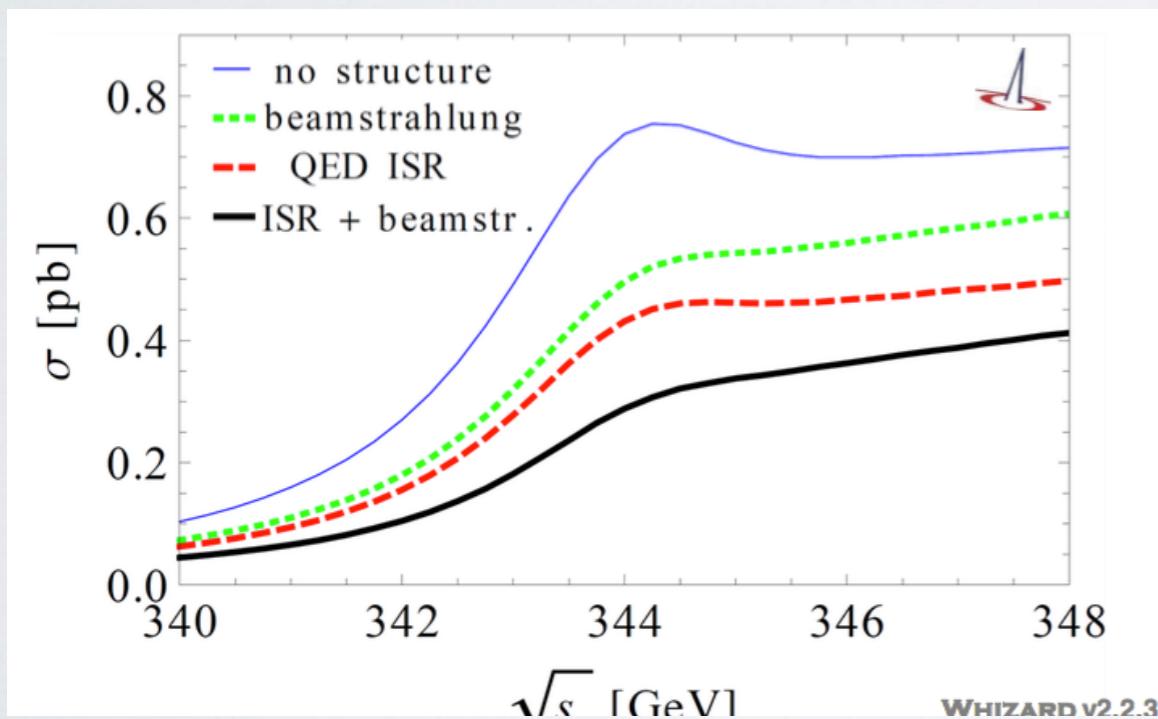
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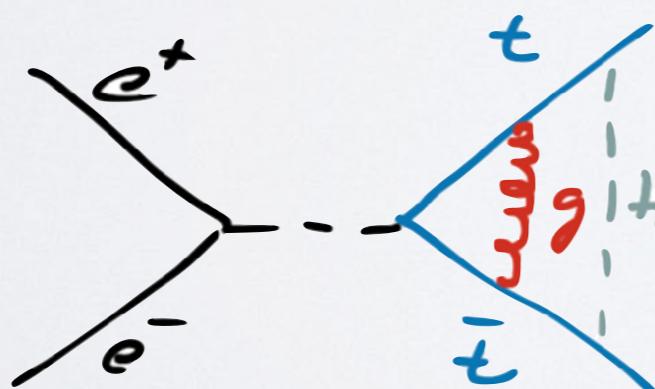
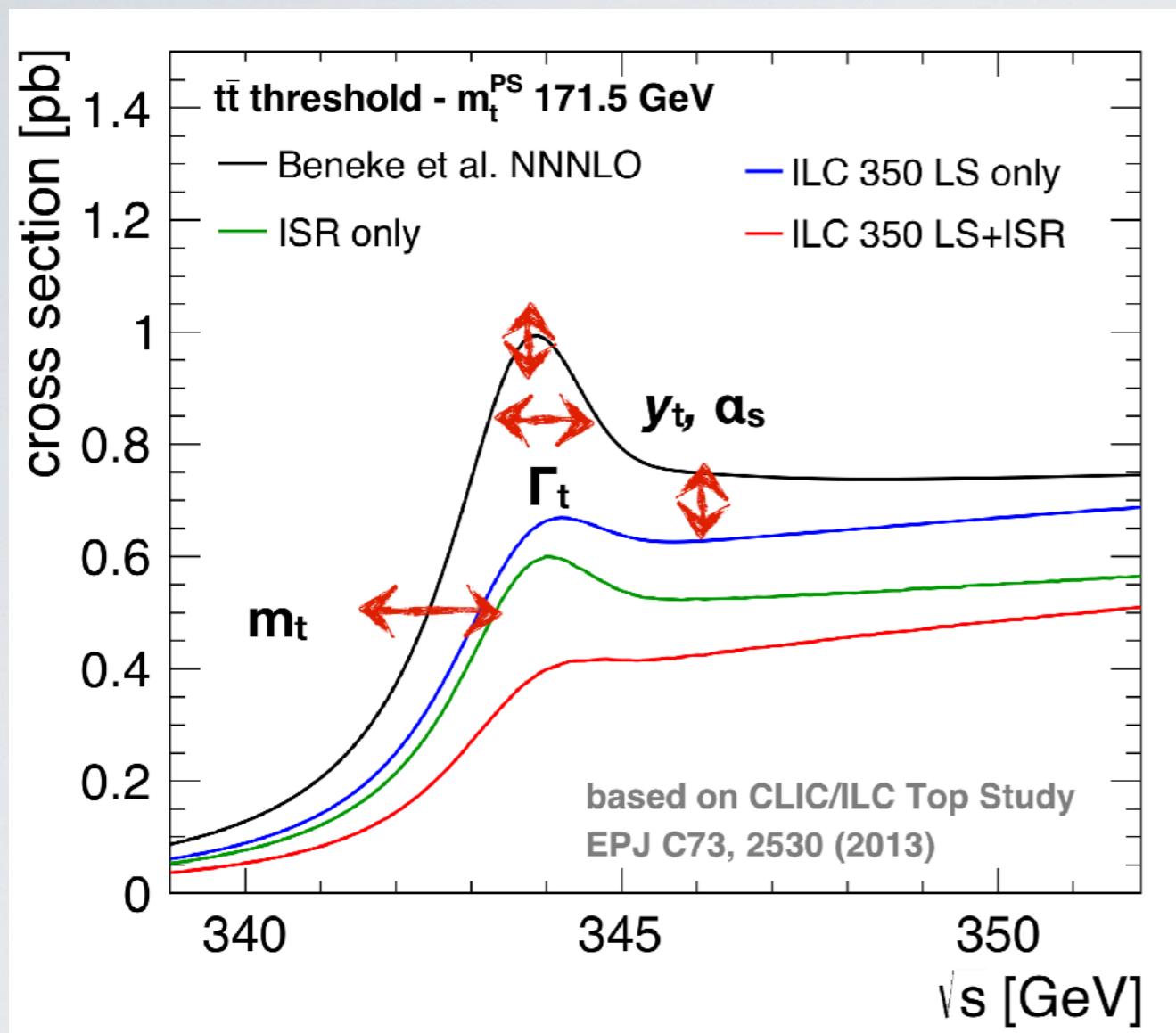


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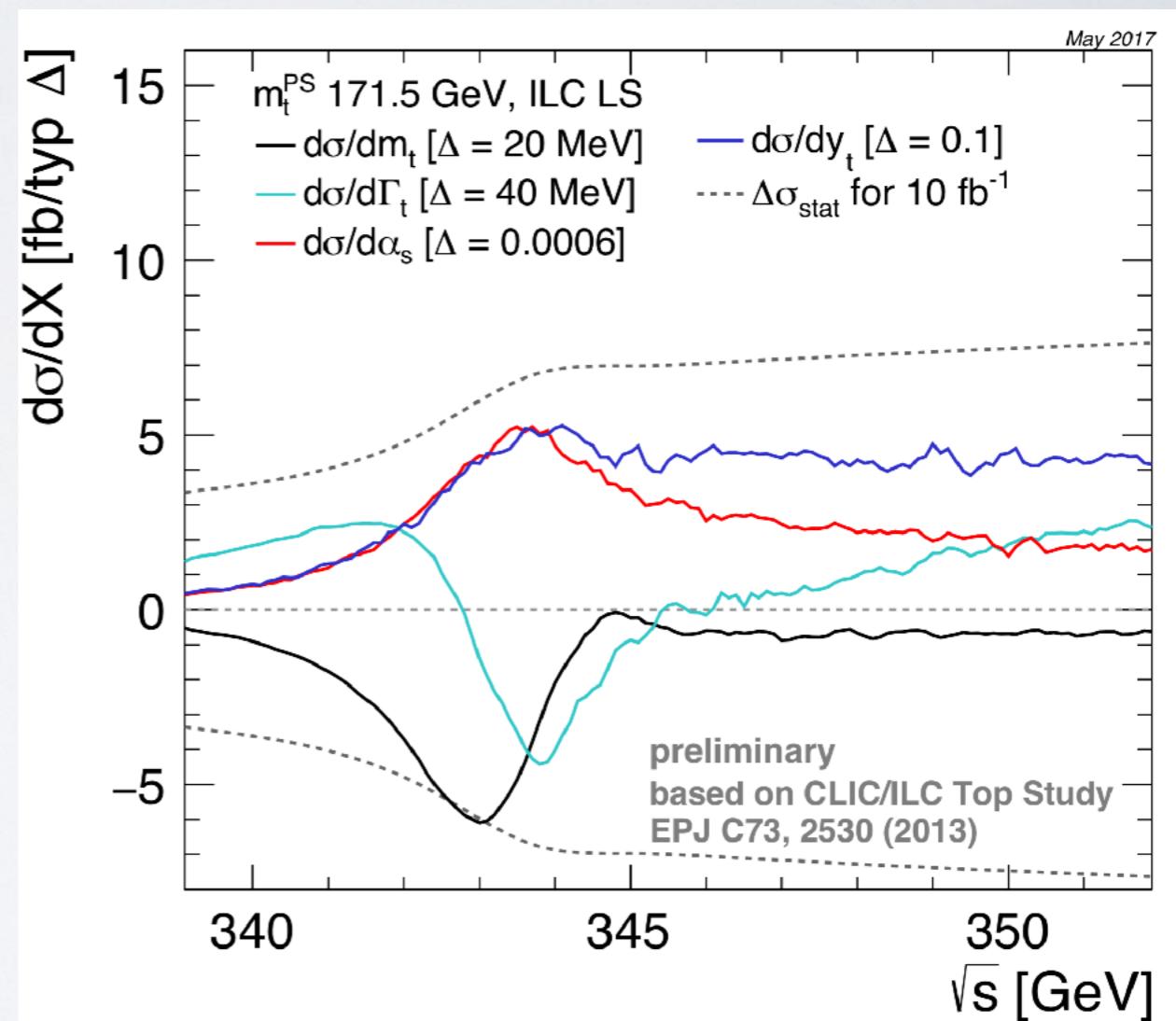
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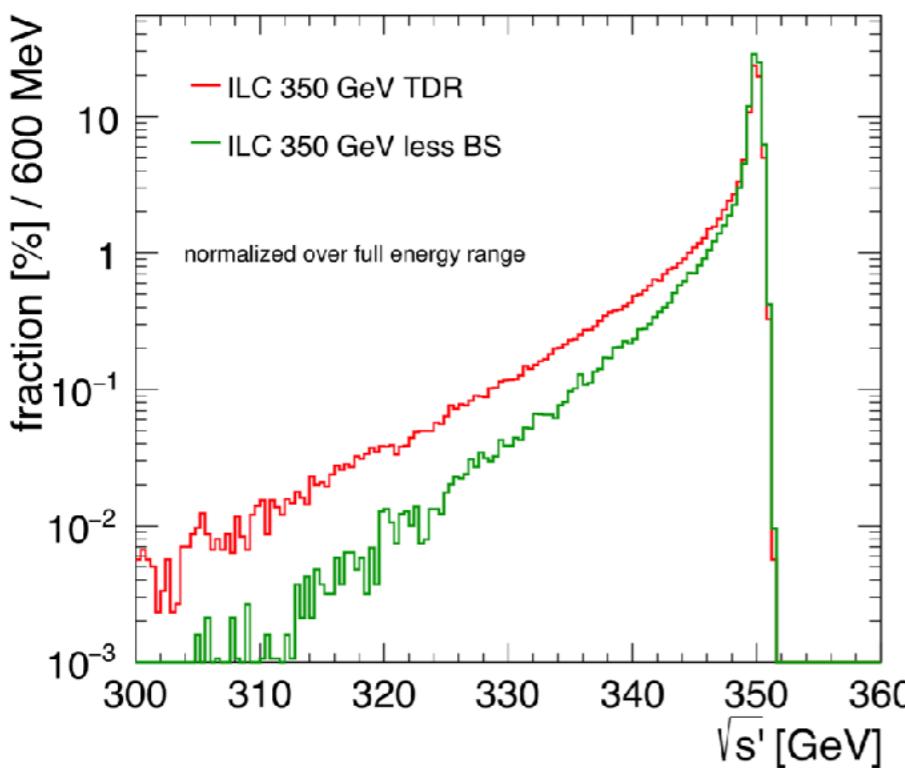
Dependence on M_t, Γ_t, a_s, y_t

based on:

Beneke/Maier/Piclum/Rauh, 2015



Top Threshold: influence of beam profiles

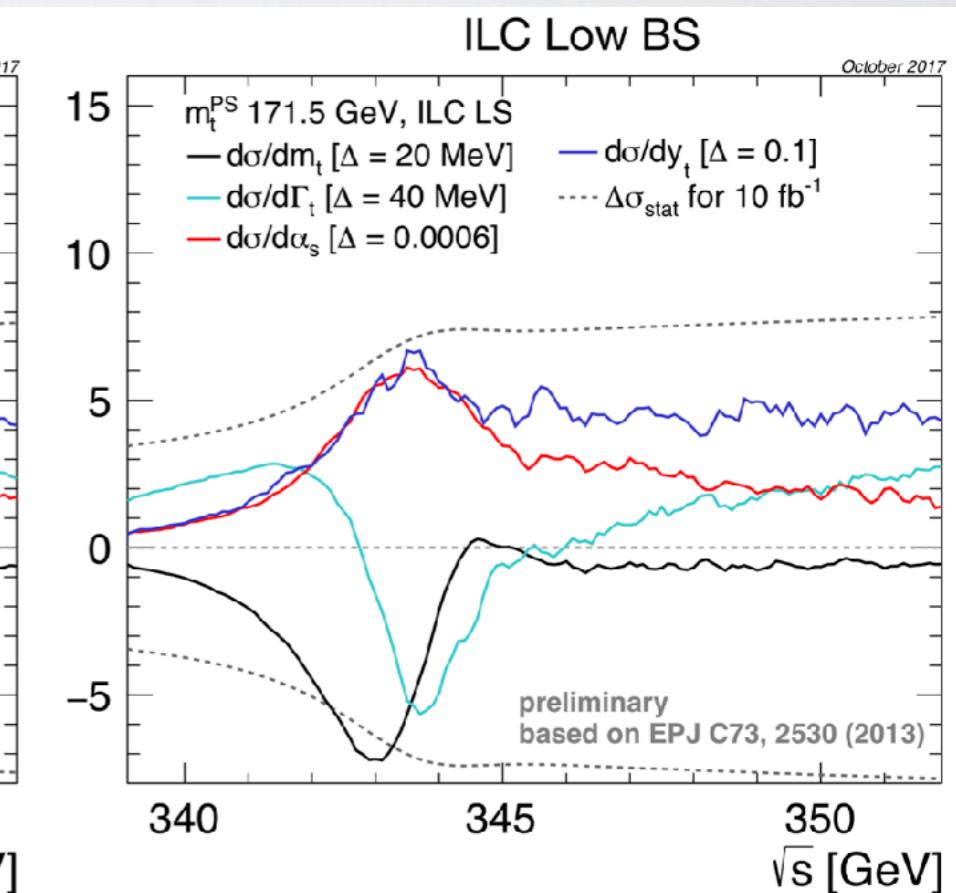
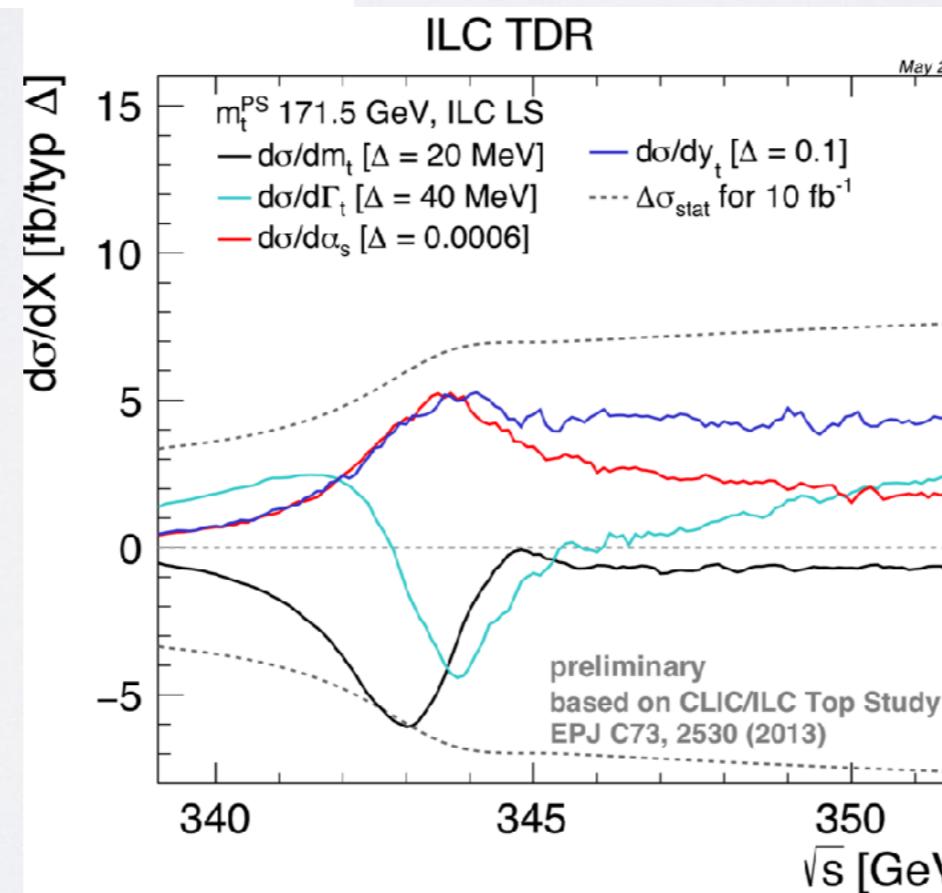


- Dependence on beamstrahlung?
- trade luminosity for beamstrahlung
- **Mild reduction on statistic uncertainty**

100 fb^{-1} : $17.6 \rightarrow 15.8 \text{ MeV} (\text{stat.})$

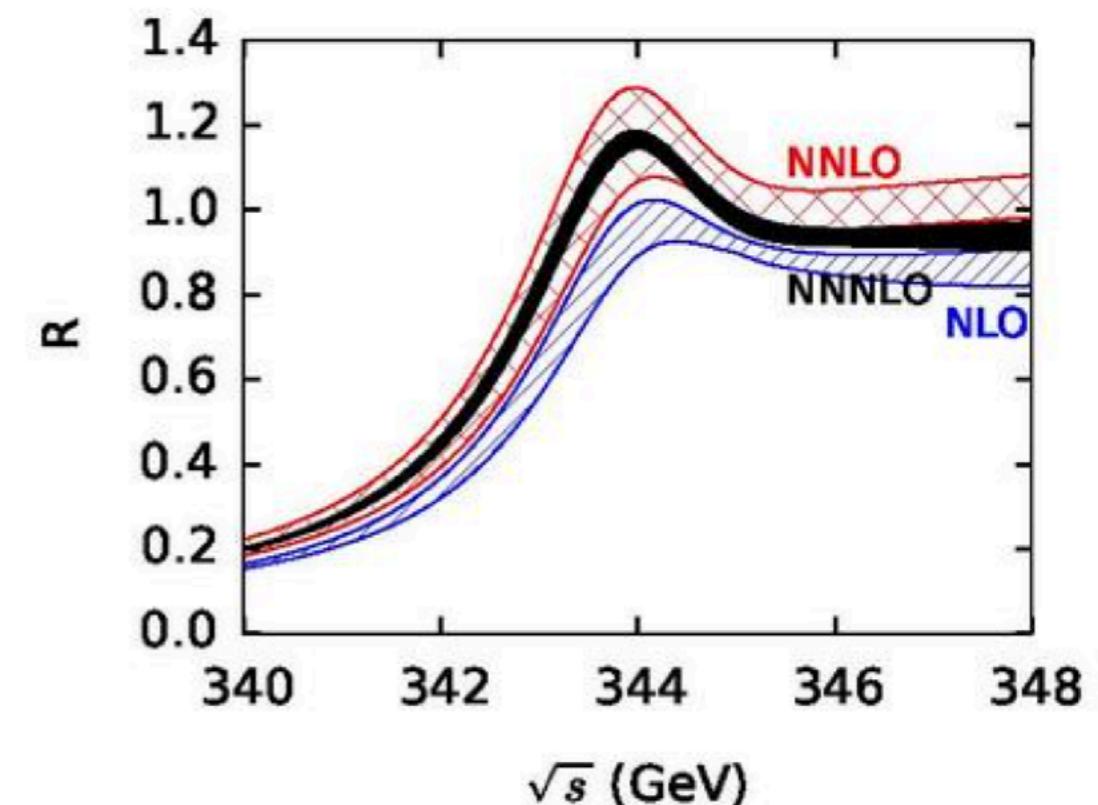
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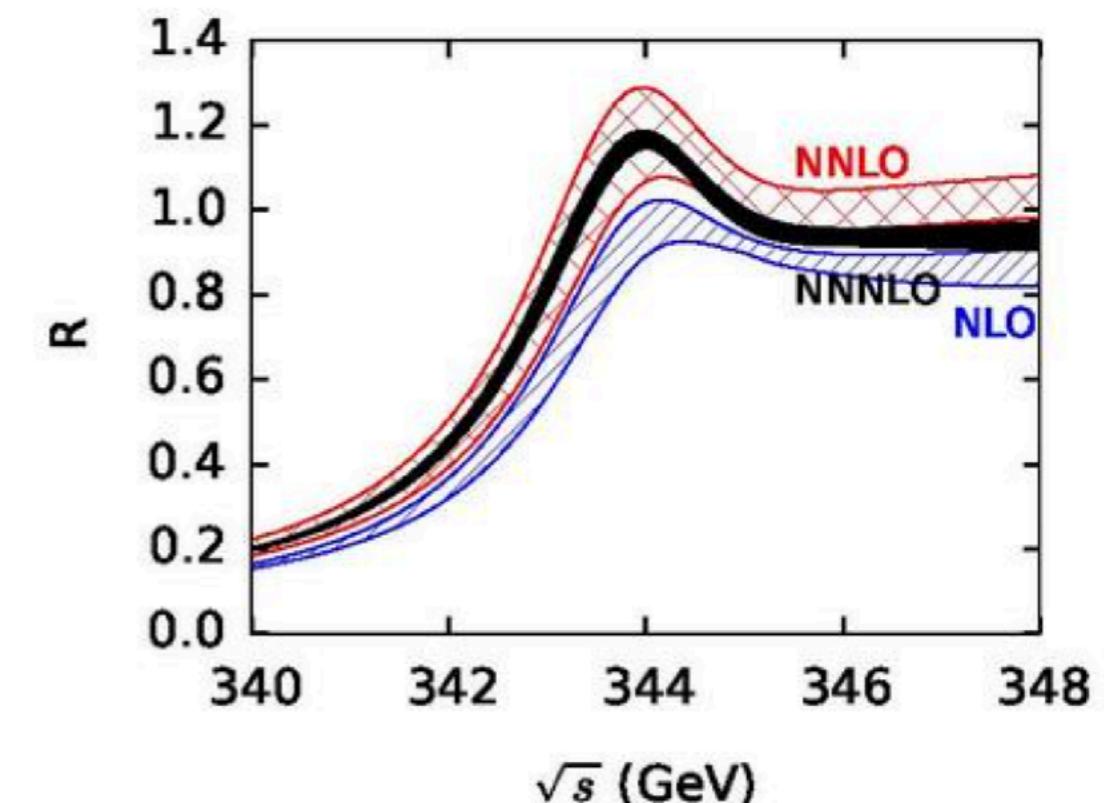
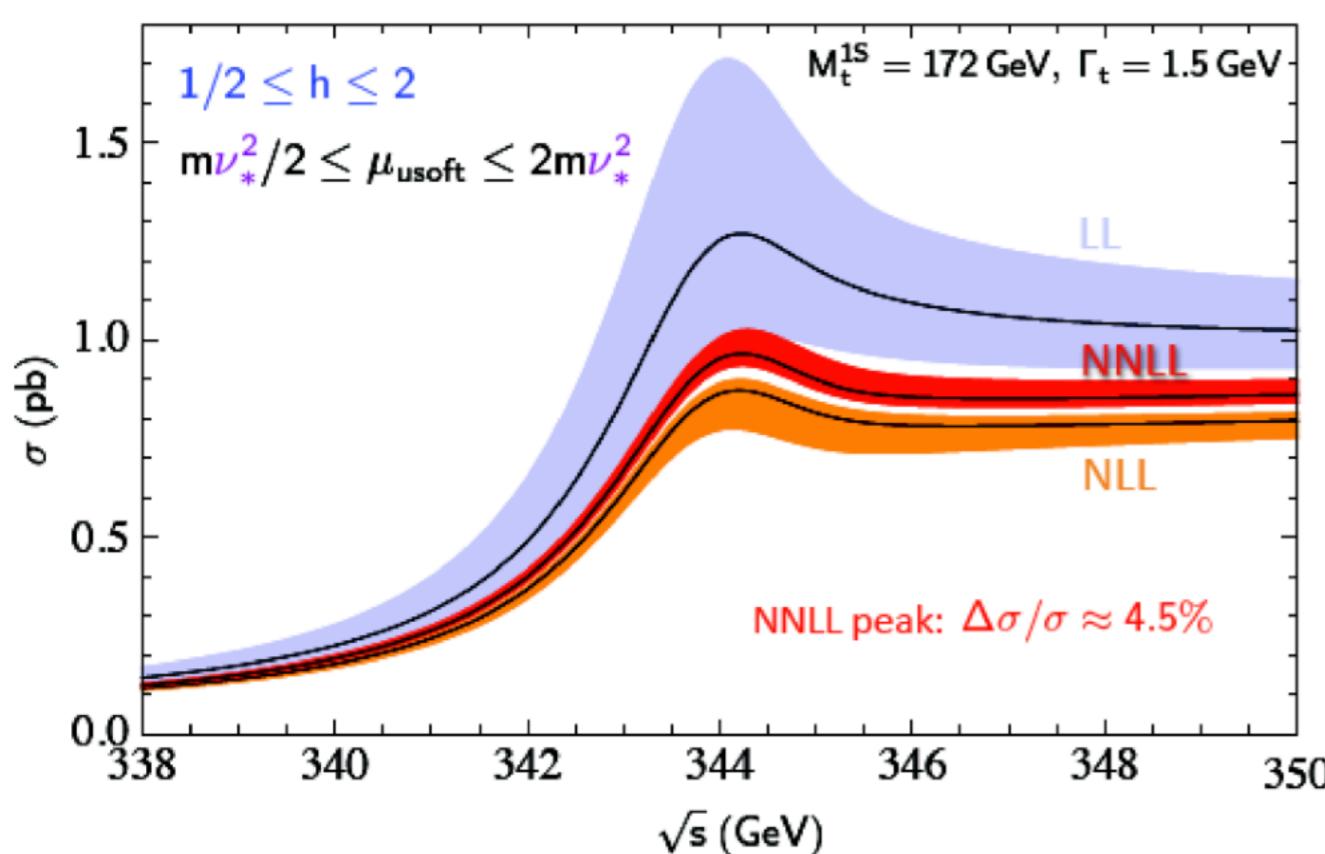
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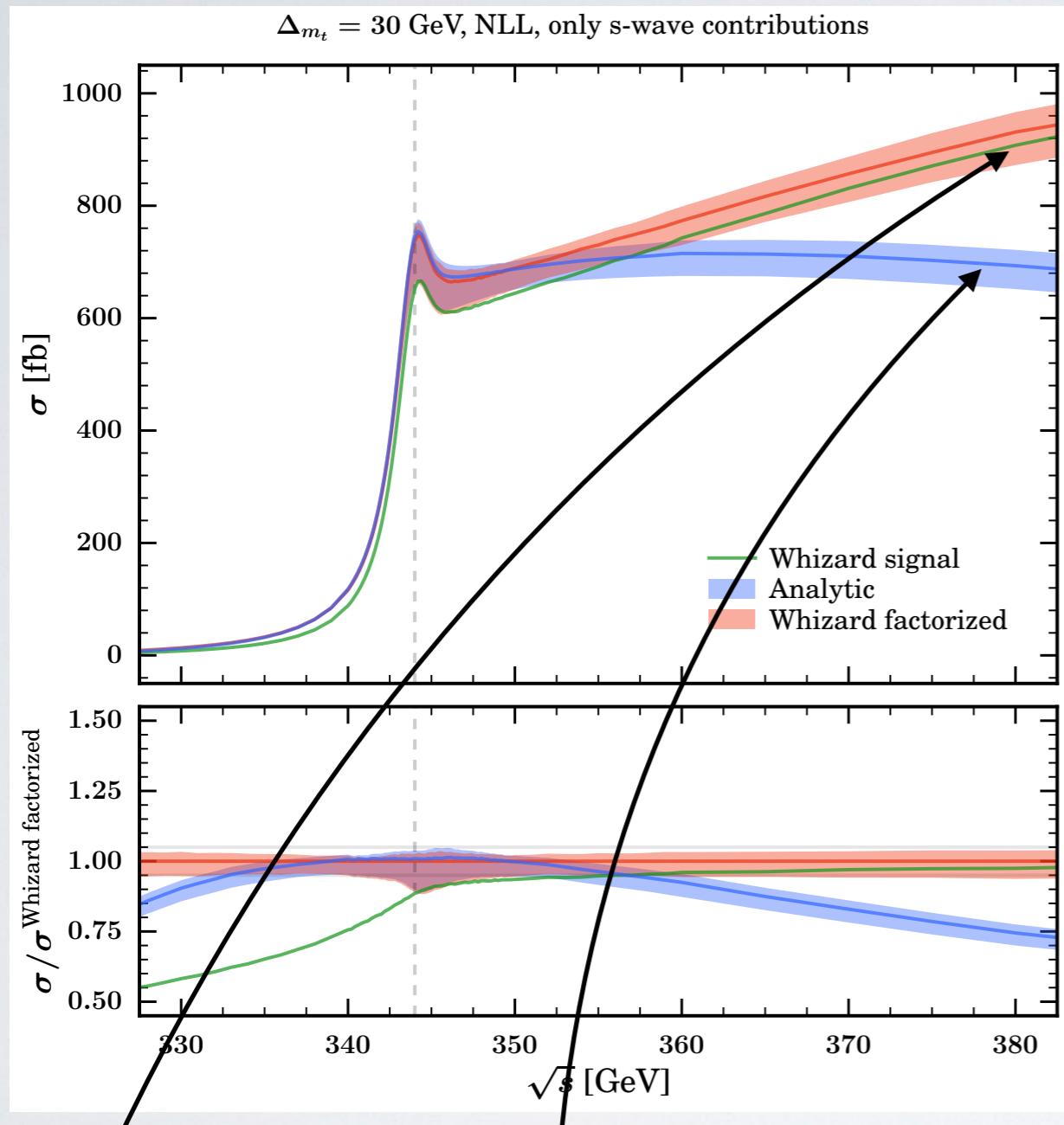
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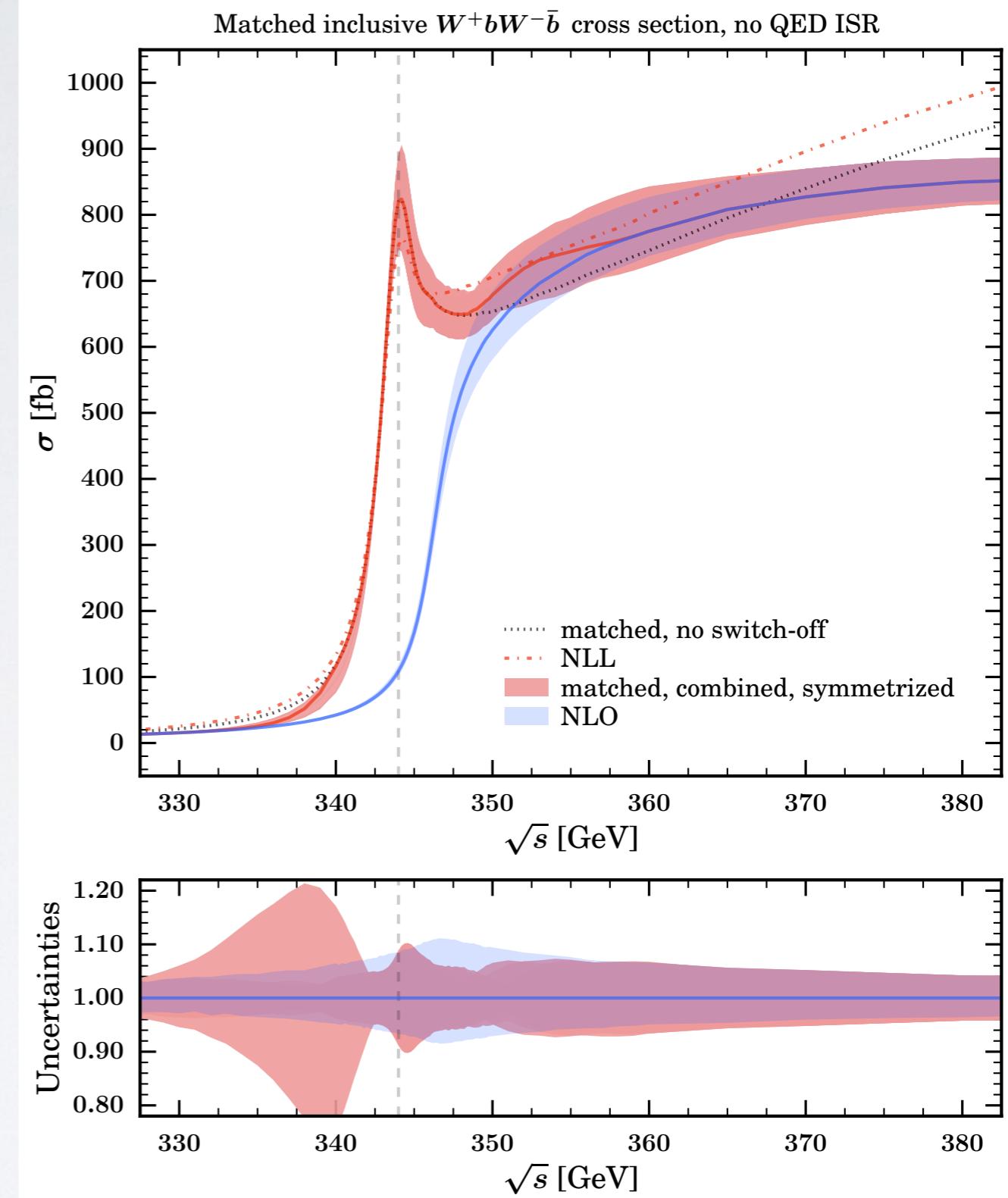
Resummation of
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Hoang/Stahlhofen, 2012

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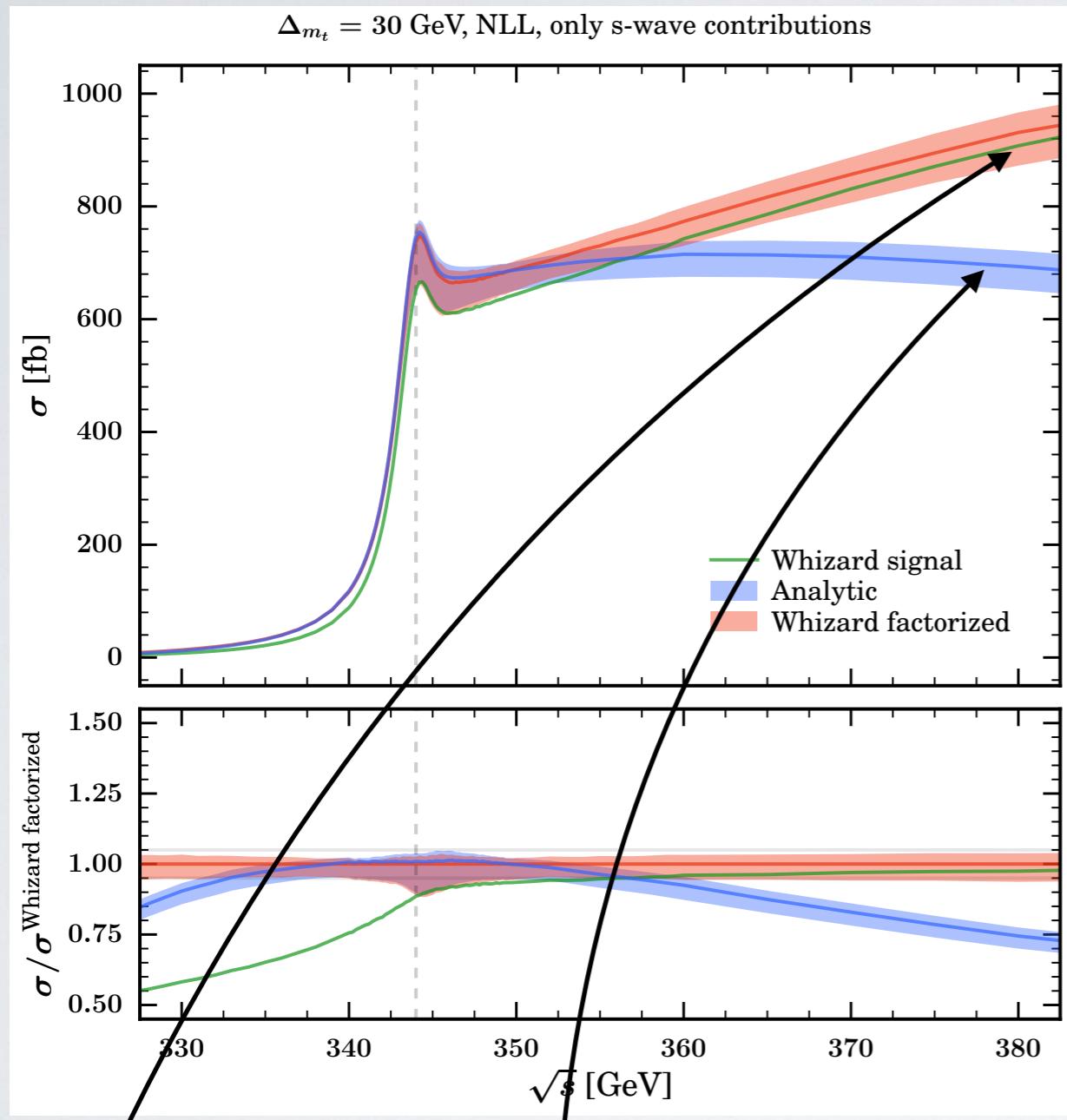
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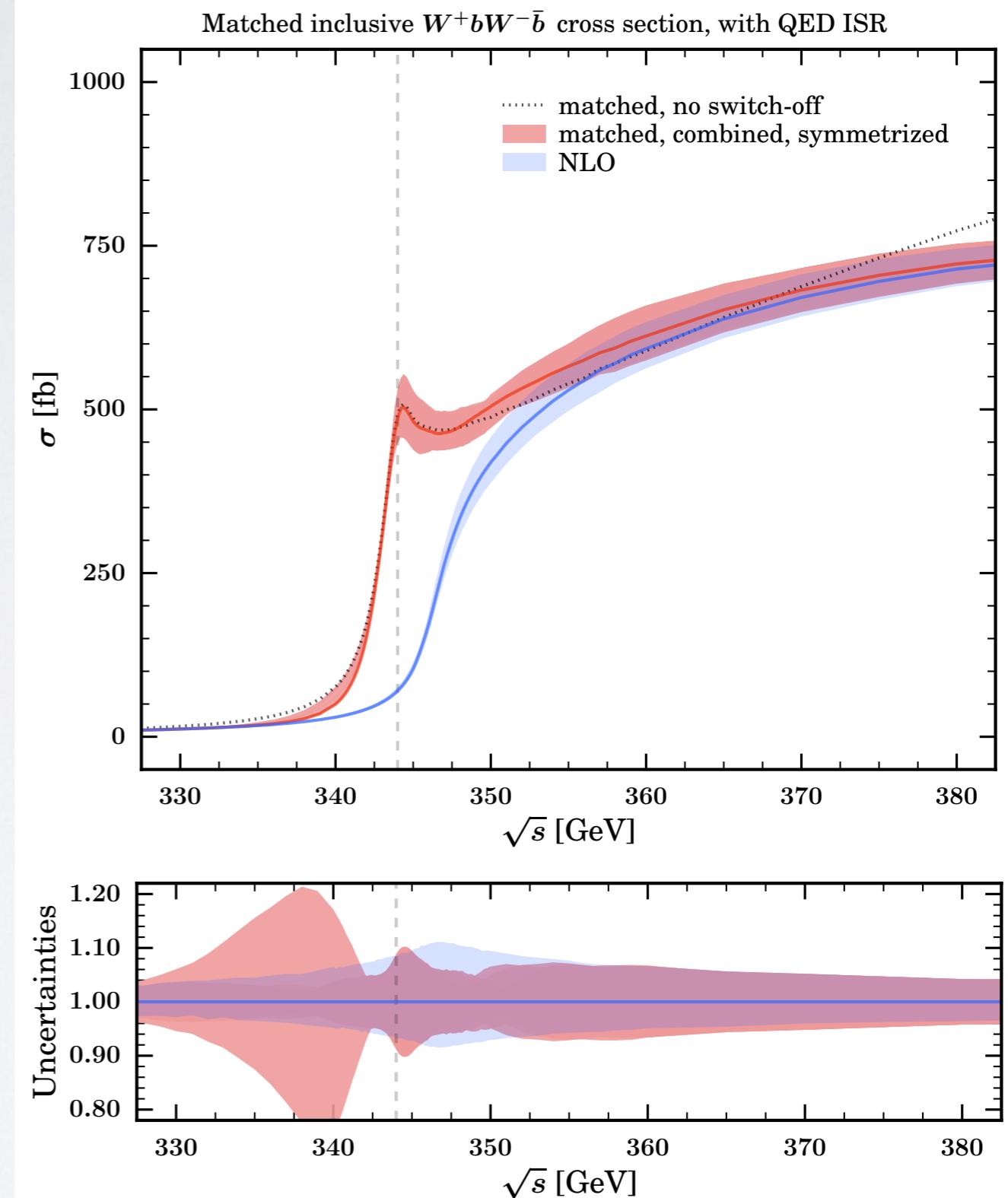
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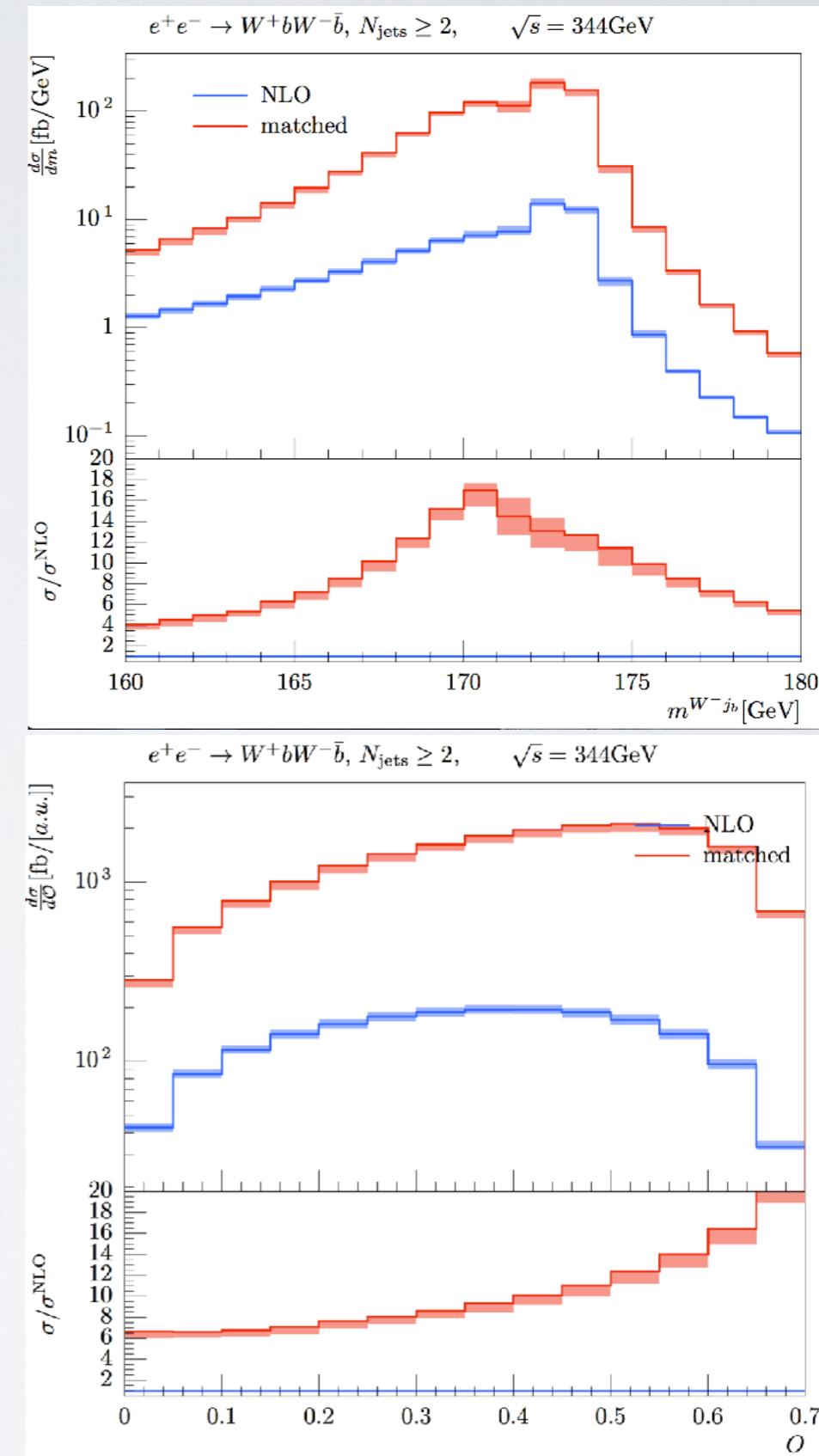
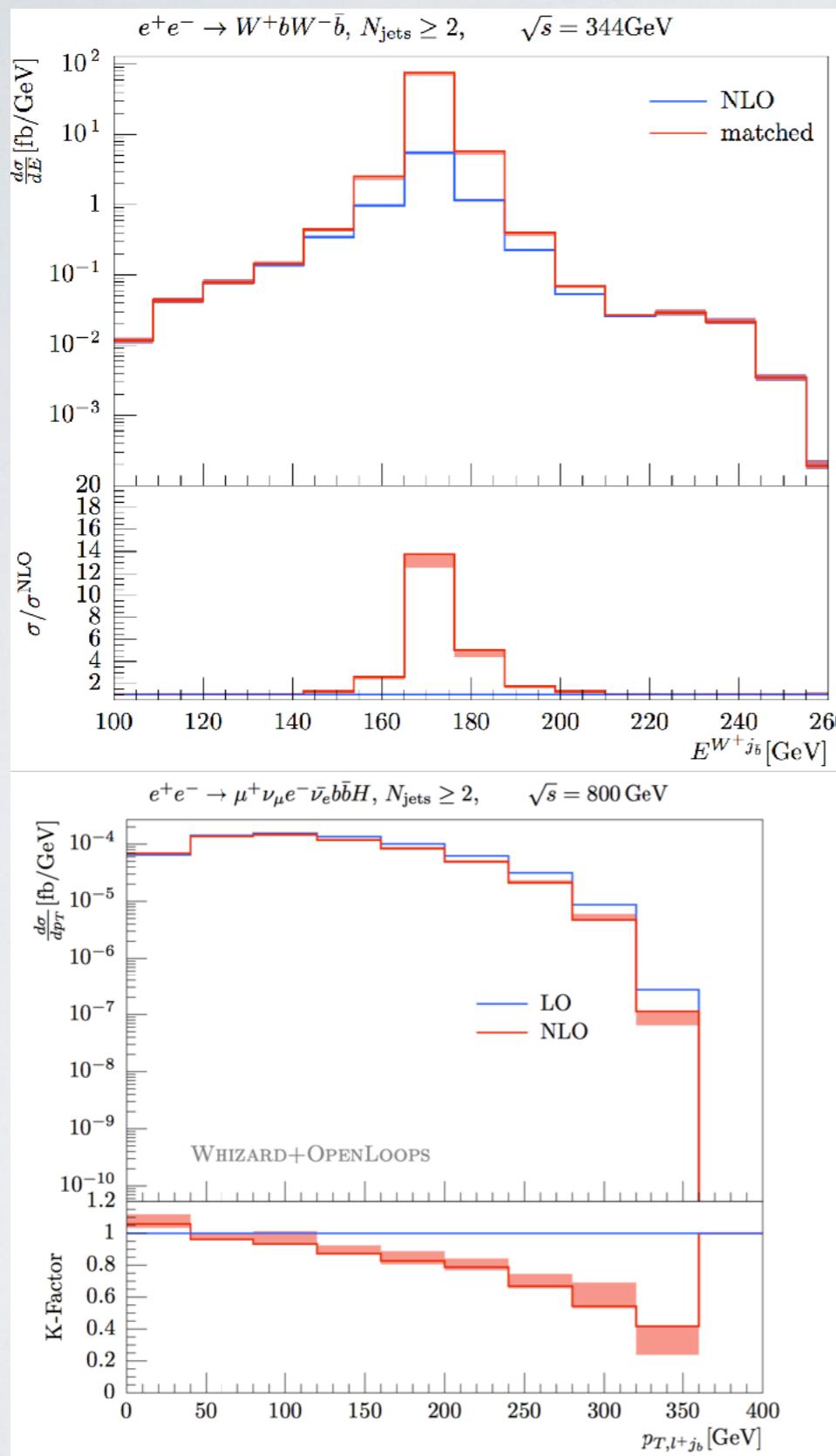


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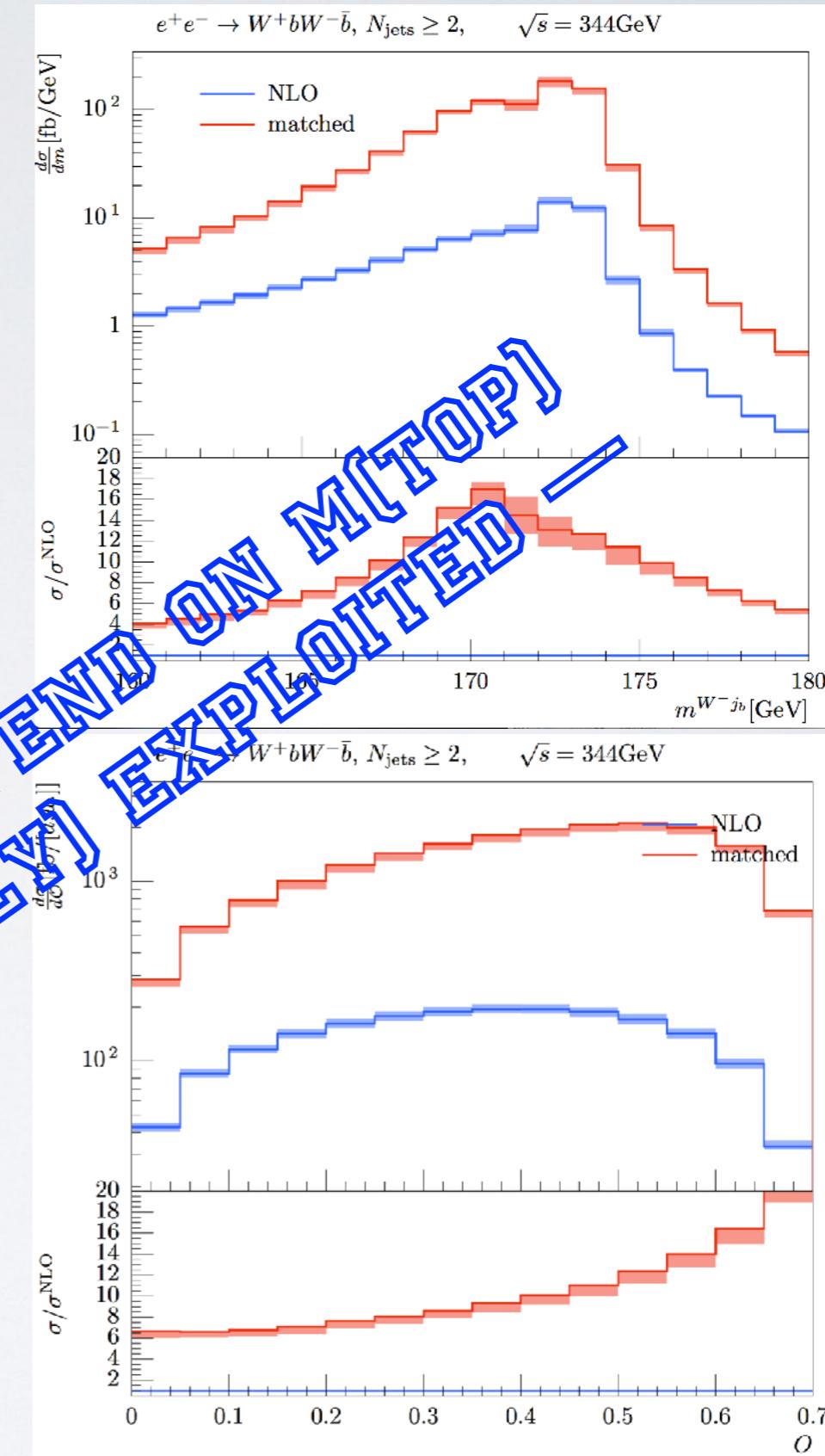
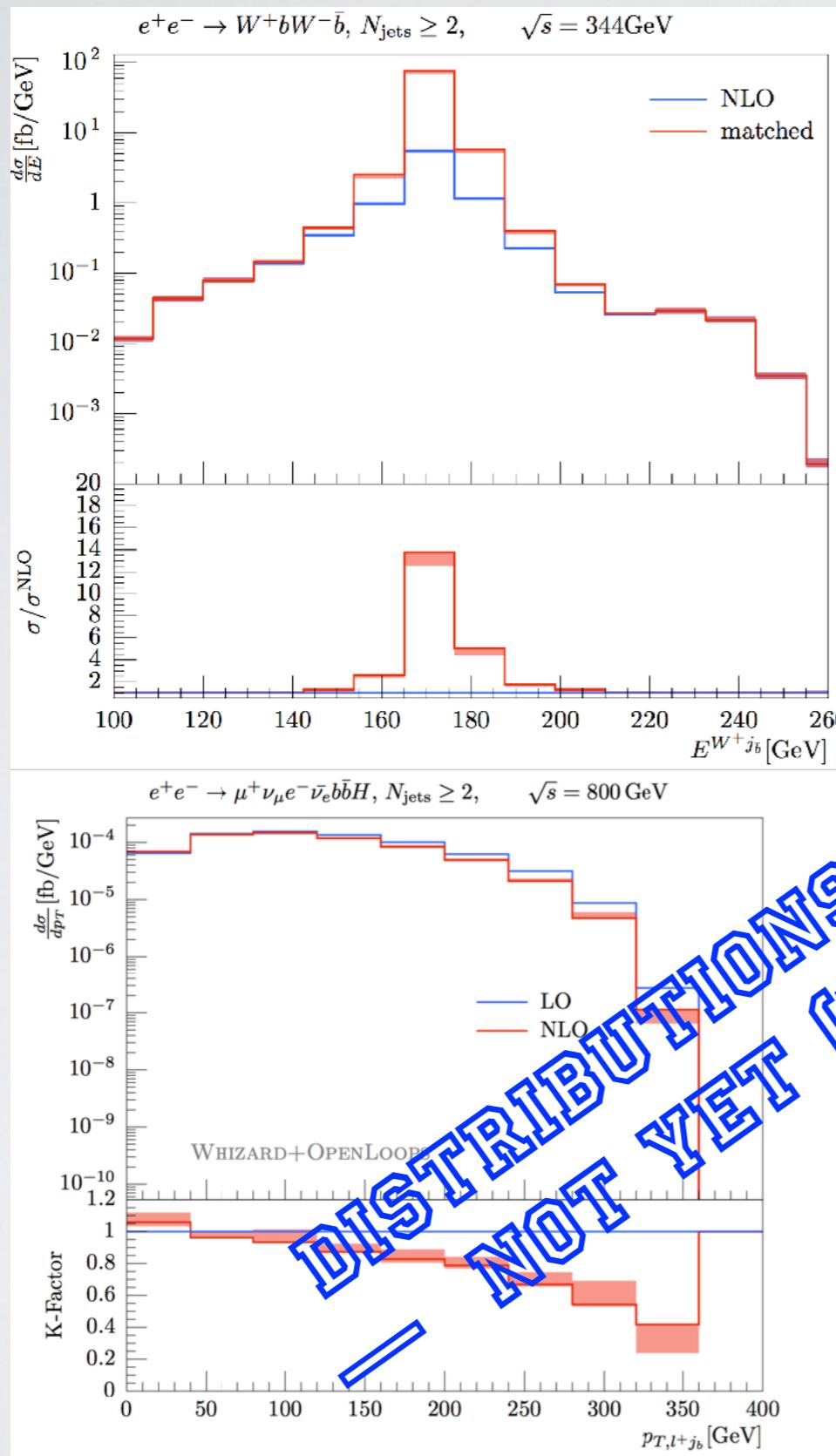
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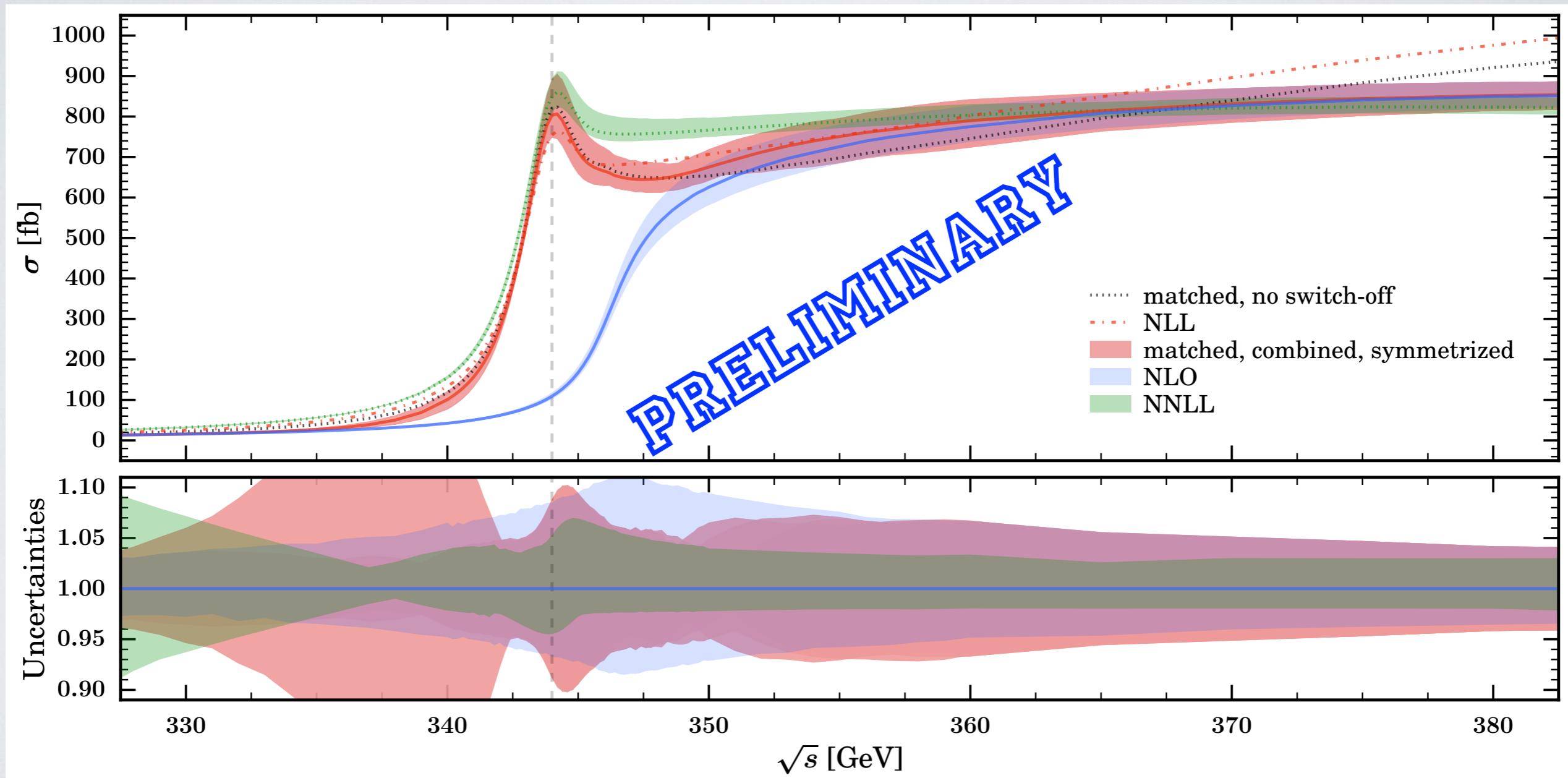


Challenges for the top threshold ...

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Theory improvements: higher QCD order, EW corrections (ISR matching!!), soft gluons

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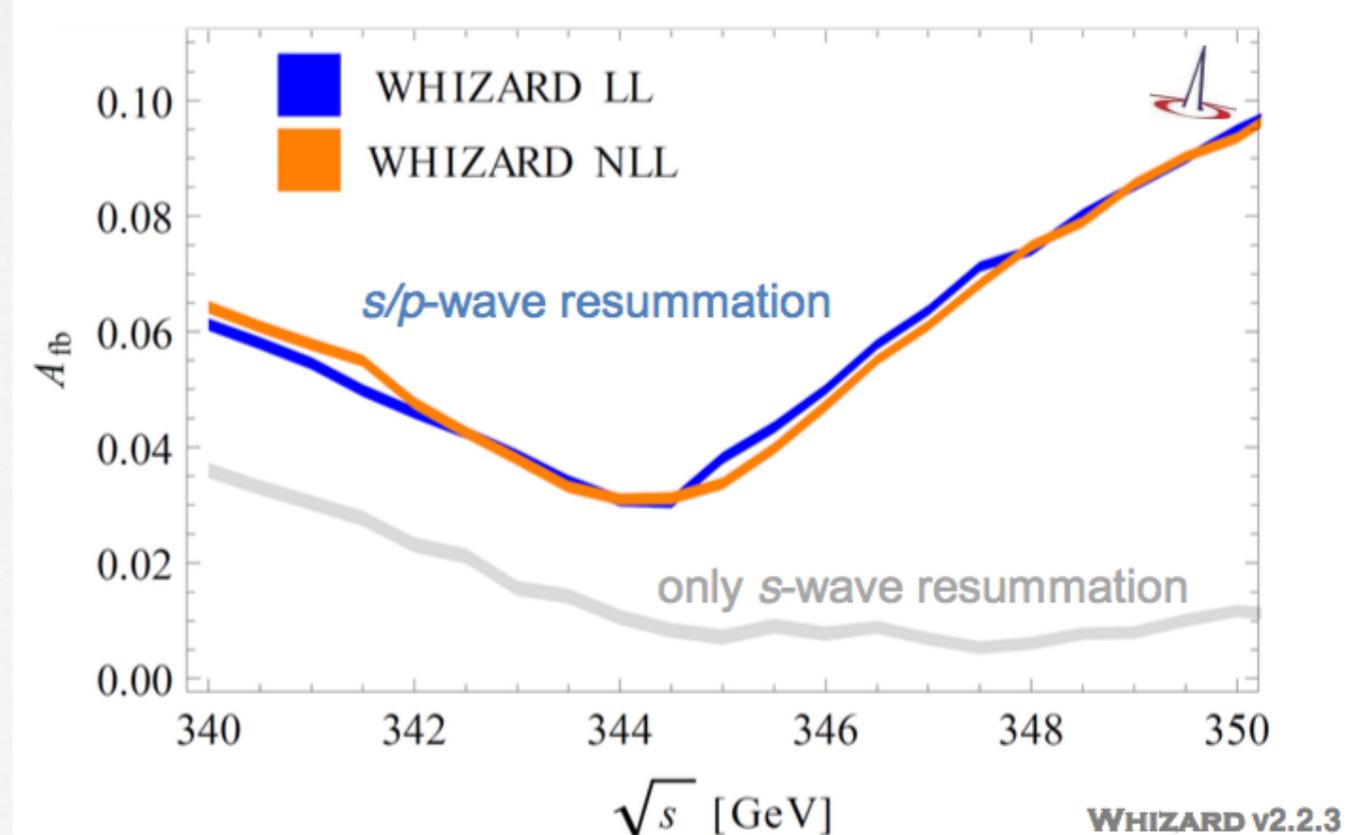
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$$A_{FB}^{\text{NNLO}} = A_{FB}^{\text{LO}}(1 + A_1 + A_2)$$

\sqrt{s} [GeV]	$A_{FB}^{\text{LO}} [\%]$	$A_{FB}^{\text{NLO}} [\%]$	$A_{FB}^{\text{NNLO}} [\%]$	$A_1 [\%]$	$A_2 [\%]$	$\delta A_{FB}^{\text{NNLO}} [\%]$
360	14.94	$15.54^{+0.05}_{-0.04}$	$16.23^{+0.12}_{-0.10}$	$4.01^{+0.35}_{-0.29}$	$4.58^{+0.46}_{-0.38}$	± 0.59
400	28.02	$28.97^{+0.08}_{-0.07}$	$29.63^{+0.11}_{-0.10}$	$3.41^{+0.29}_{-0.25}$	$2.36^{+0.11}_{-0.11}$	± 0.27
500	41.48	$42.42^{+0.08}_{-0.07}$	$42.91^{+0.08}_{-0.07}$	$2.28^{+0.19}_{-0.16}$	$1.18^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$	± 0.13
700	51.34	$51.81^{+0.04}_{-0.03}$	$52.05^{+0.04}_{-0.04}$	$0.91^{+0.07}_{-0.06}$	$0.47^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$	± 0.06

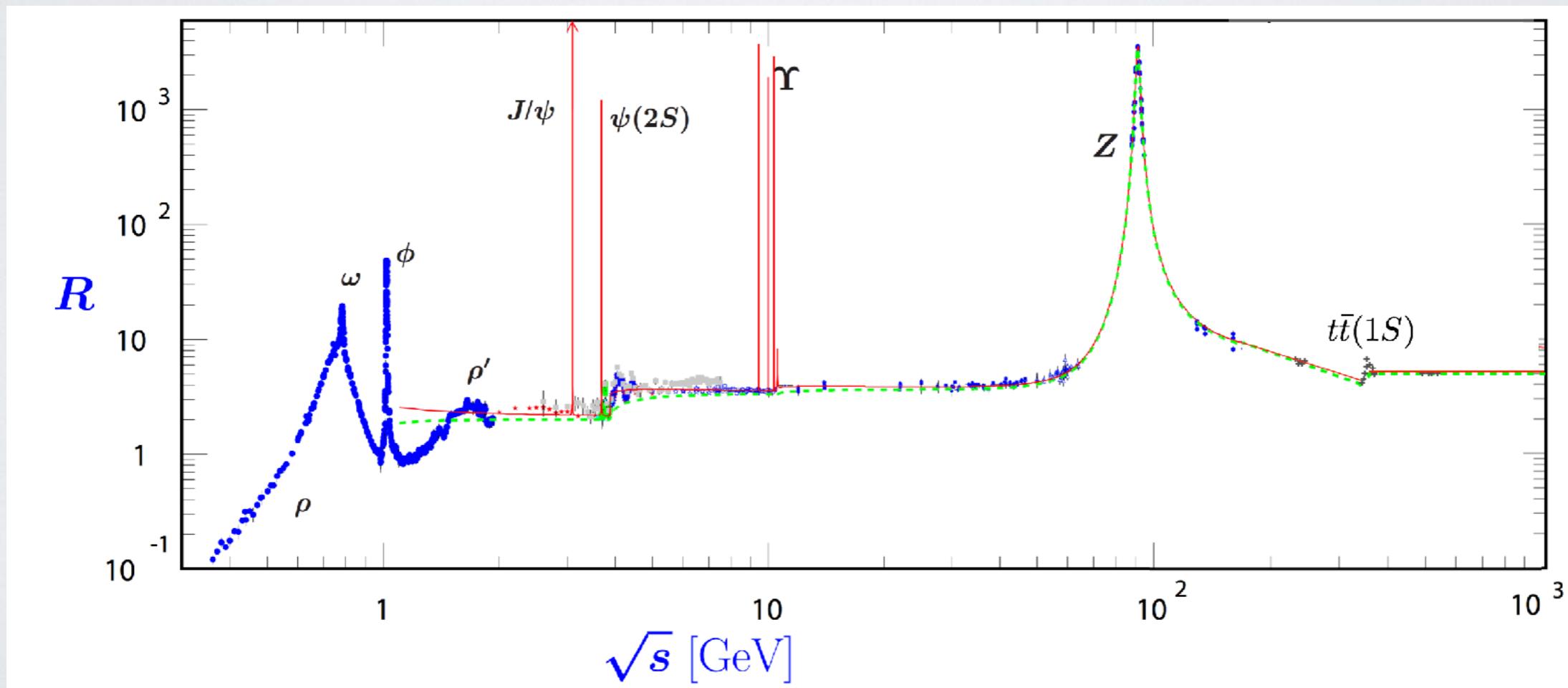


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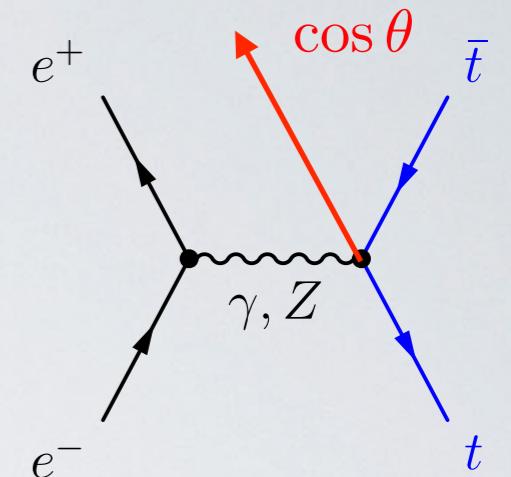
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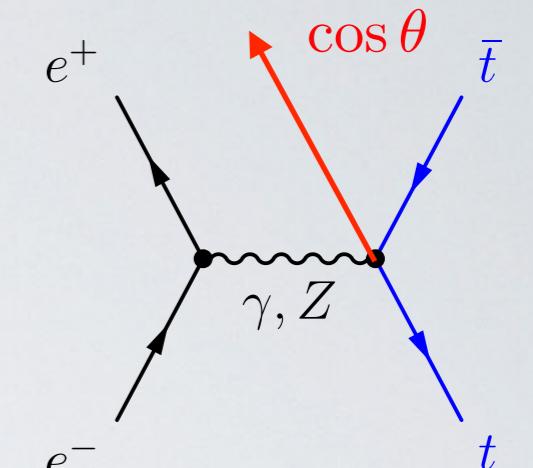
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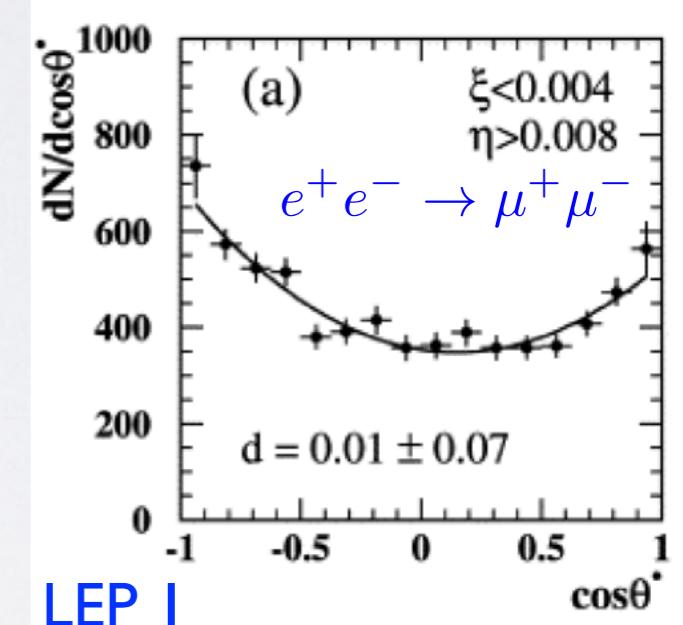
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Coulomb potential gluon ladder resummation

Top Mass Definitions

- ▶ On-shell mass M : inverse quark propagator has zero at on-shell mass
- ▶ $\overline{\text{MS}}$ mass m : just divergent part is subtracted to achieve a finite quark propagator
- ▶ Short-distance masses: PS [potential subtr.], IS, RS [renormalon subtr.] masses

$$m^0 = Z_m^{\overline{\text{MS}}} m$$

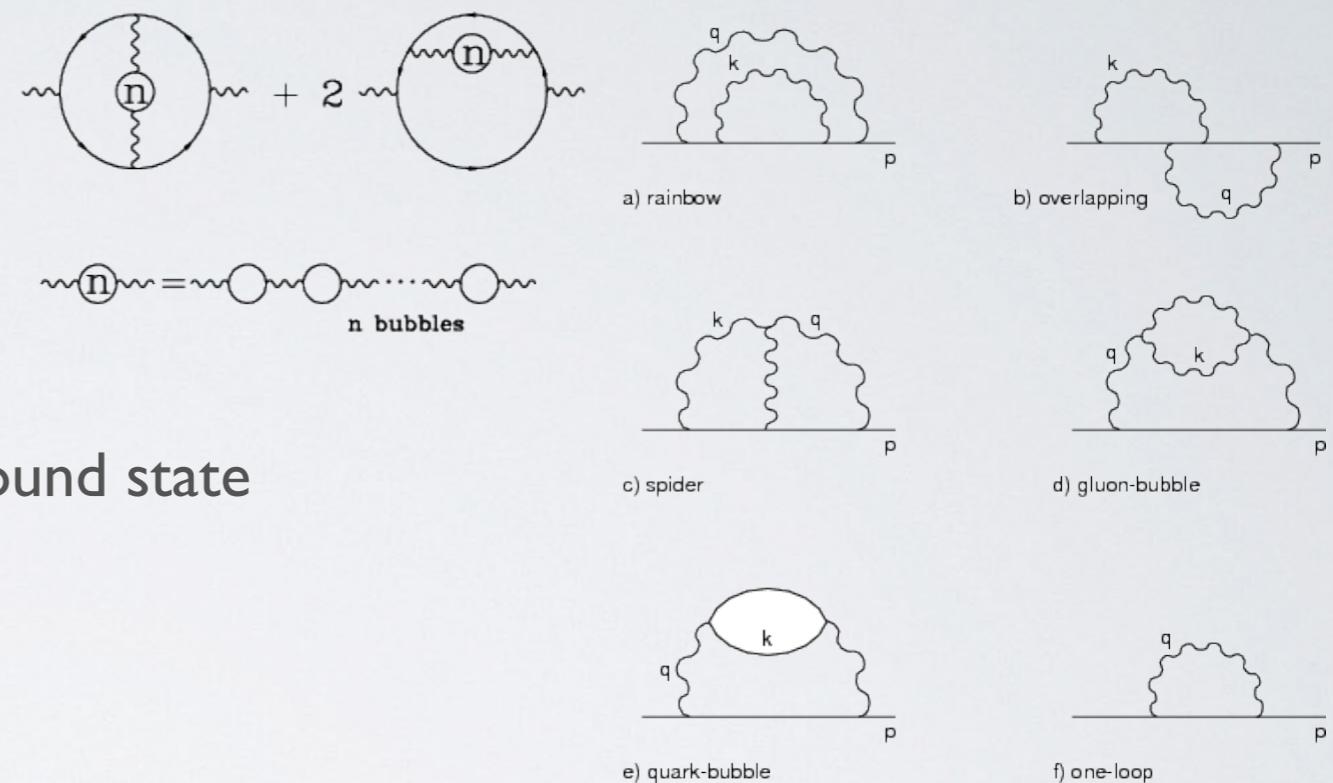
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$$Z_m^{\text{OS}} = 1 + \Sigma_V(q^2 = M^2) + \Sigma_S(q^2 = M^2)$$

$$m^{\text{PS}} = M - \frac{1}{2} \int_{|\vec{q}| < \mu_f} \frac{d^3 q}{(2\pi)^3} V(\vec{q})$$

- IS mass is half the (pert.) mass of the 1^3S_1 bound state

$$m^{1S} = M + \frac{1}{2} E_1^{\text{pt}} \Big|_{\alpha_s^n \rightarrow \alpha_s^n \epsilon^{n-1}}$$



- Relation between pole and $\overline{\text{MS}}$ mass @ 4-loop

[Marquard/Smirnov/Smirnov/Steinhauser, 1502.01030](#)

$$\begin{aligned} M_t &= m_t (1 + 0.4244\alpha_s + 0.8345\alpha_s^2 + 2.375\alpha_s^3 + (8.49 \pm 0.25)\alpha_s^4) \\ &= 163.643 + 7.557 + 1.617 + 0.501 + 0.195 \pm .005 \text{ GeV} \end{aligned}$$

Final uncertainties from top mass conversions:

$$\Delta M_{PS} = 23 \text{ MeV}$$

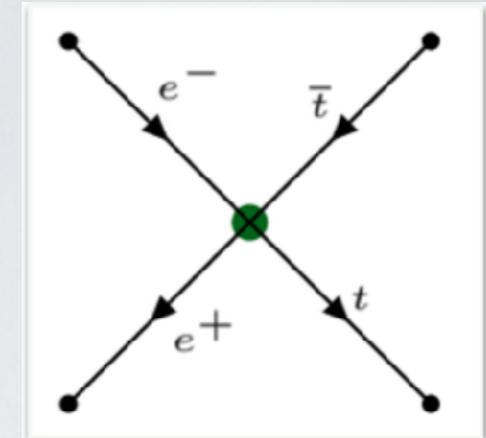
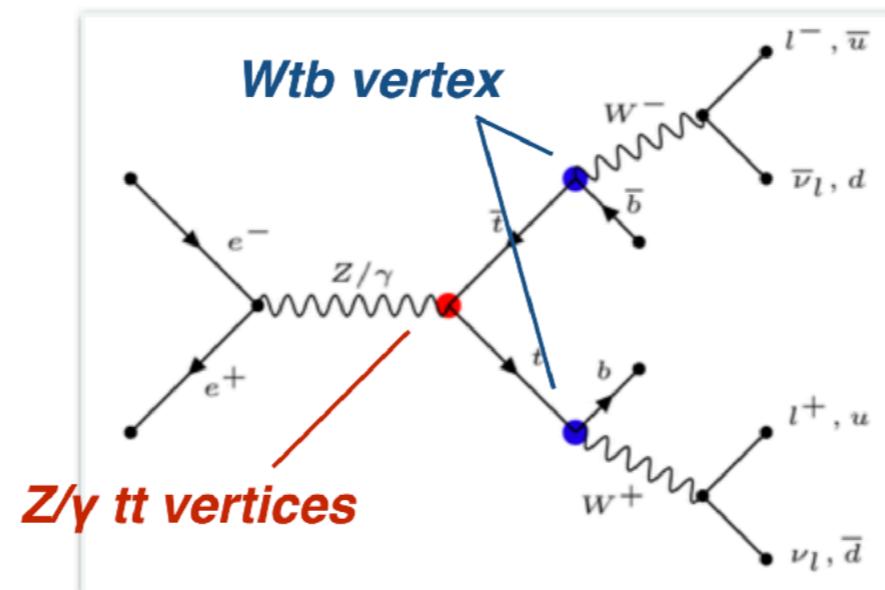
$$\Delta M_{1S} = 7 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\Delta M_{RS} = 11 \text{ MeV}$$

BSM Telescope: Anomalous top couplings

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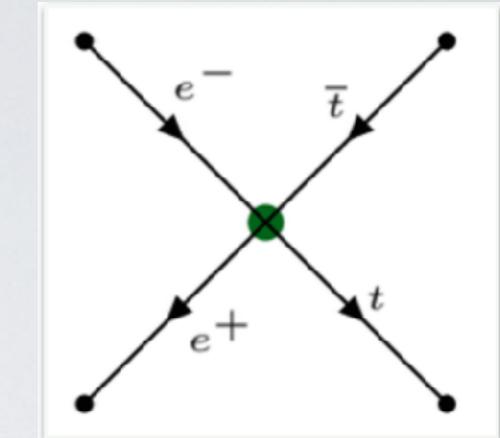
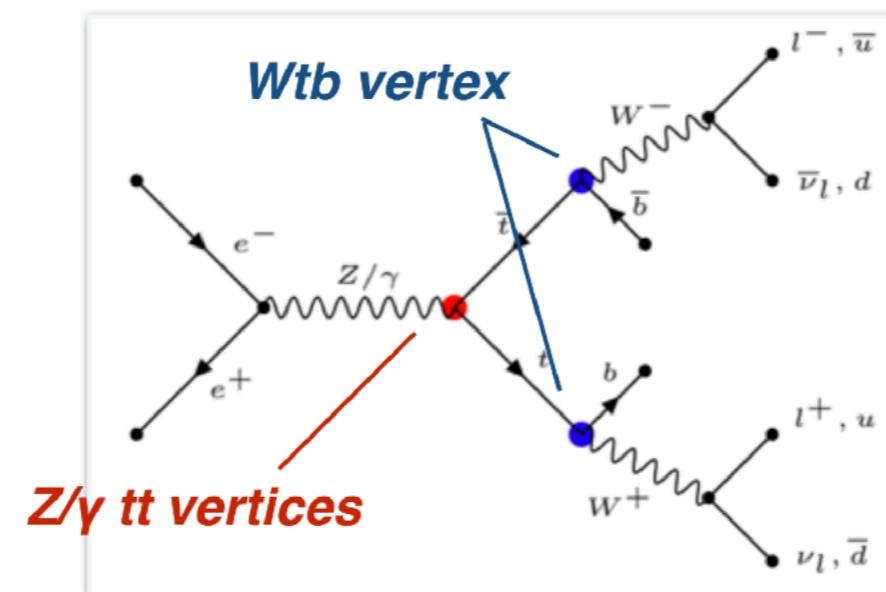
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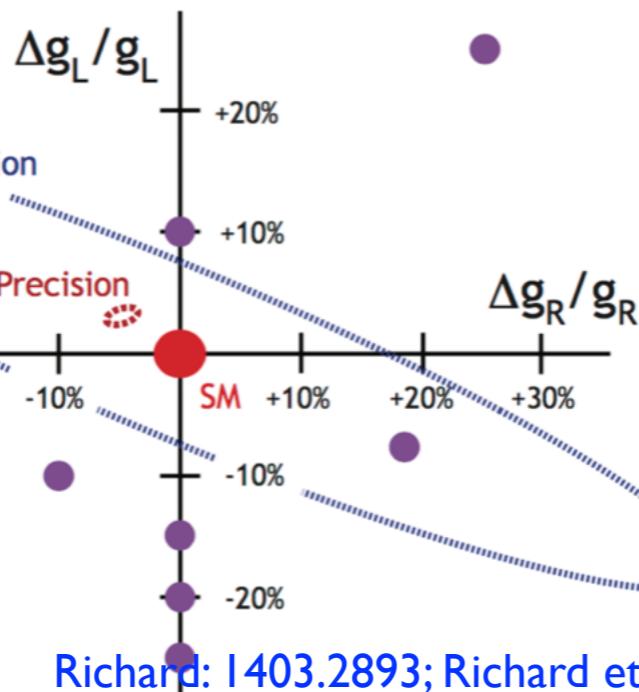
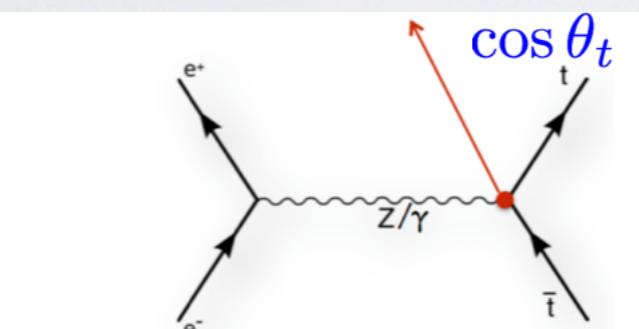
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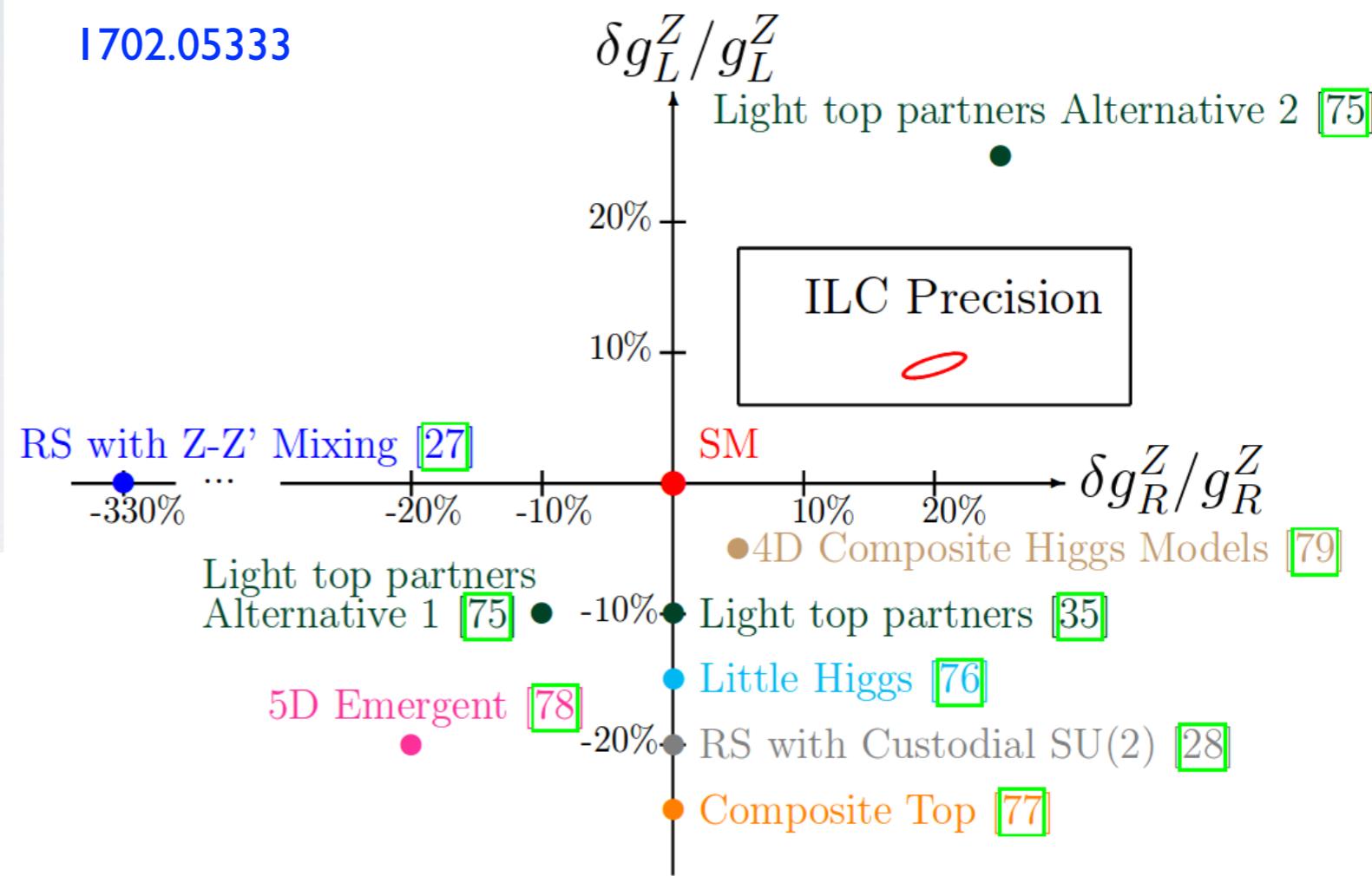
- Strong handle on BSM (e.g. compositeness, partial compositeness, Little Higgs, SUSY etc.)
- Main Observables: cross section & Forward-Backward Asymmetry (A_{FB})
- Top quark polarization: spin correlations
- Optimally CP-odd observables: CP properties (!)
- Statistically optimal observables
- Excellent top reconstruction in e^+e^-

Precision means Discriminative Power

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- Typical deviations in models $\lesssim 10\text{-}20\%$
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- Unique opportunity for lepton collider
- Sensitivity at 365 GeV?

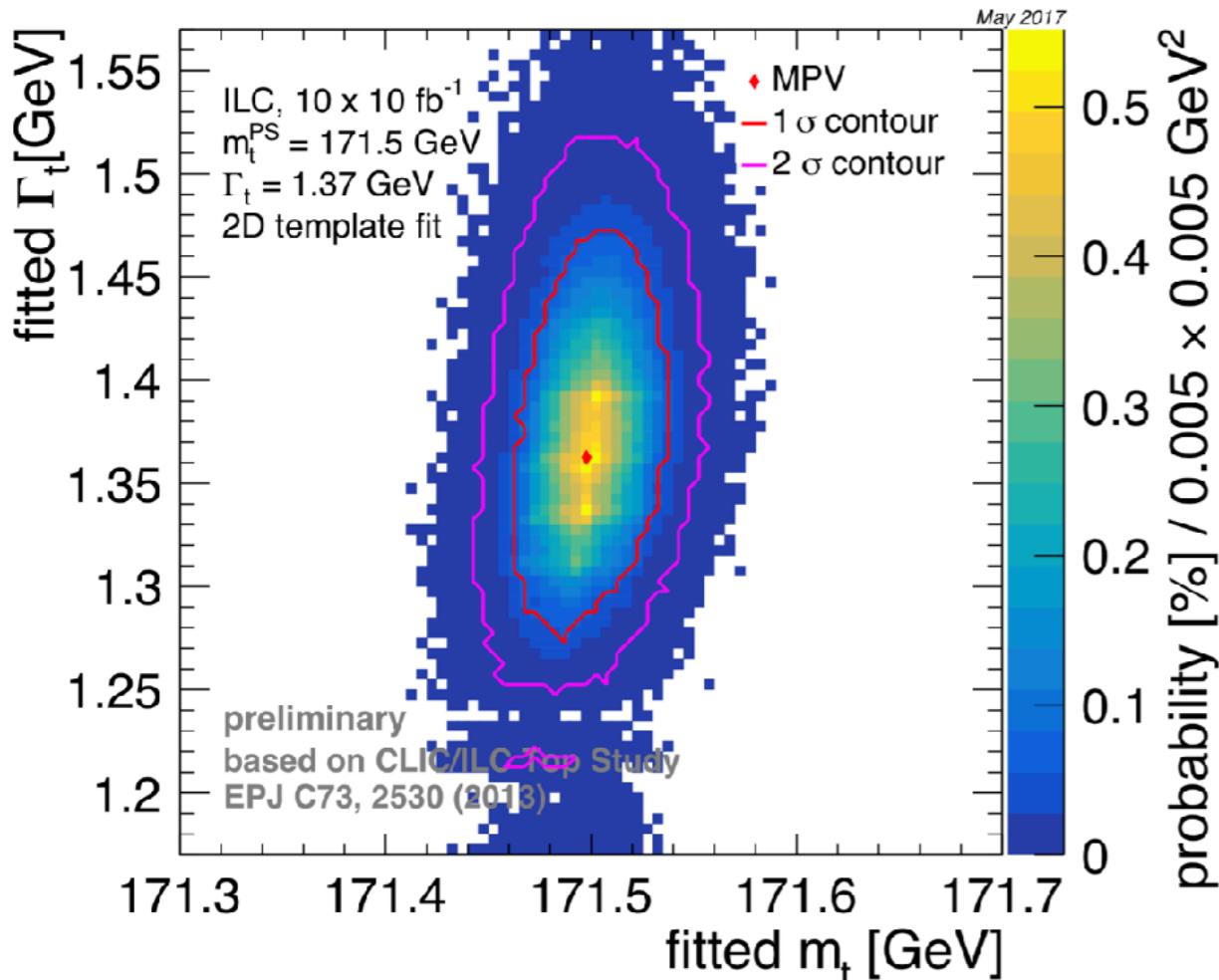
↪ cf. Talk by Patrizia Azzi, Yuichi Okugawa



ID/2D Template Fits for the Top Threshold

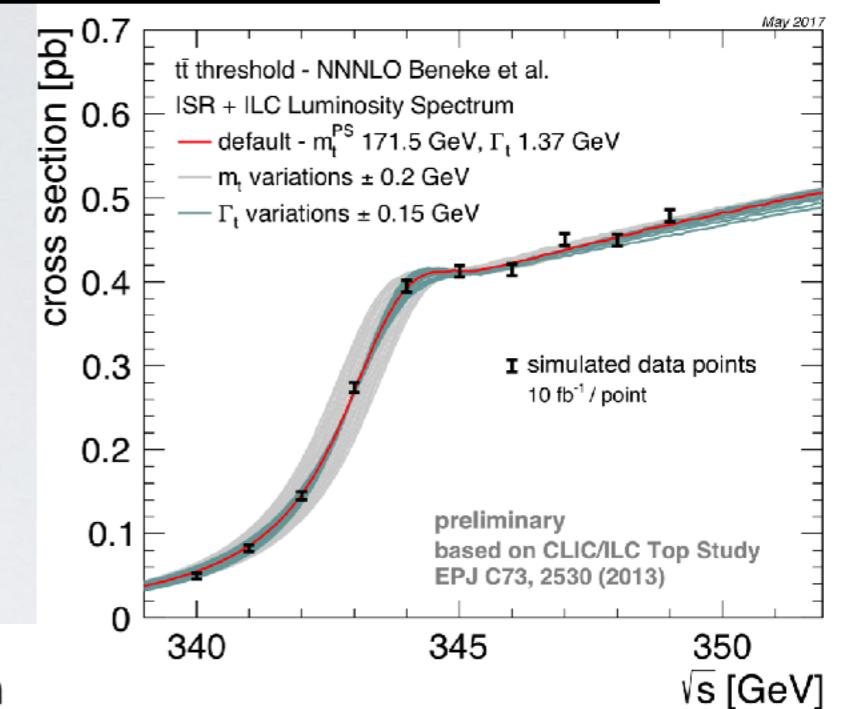
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- Method of Template Cross Sections
- Generate (pseudo-) signals with different parameters
- Fit the data to the (pseudo-)signal distributions
- Compare which values fit [pseudo-] data best



- 1D mass resolution (assuming def. Γ_t)
18 MeV
- 1D width resolution (assuming def. m_t)
43 MeV
- Extension of 2D 1σ contour:
 $m_t +39 -35 \text{ MeV}$
 $\Gamma_t +109 - 90 \text{ MeV}$
- correlation 0.26

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Ongoing studies:
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