

# Perspectives on SM, Higgs and beyond

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# In discussing LHC physics we often mention “BIG” motivations

Dark matter

Fine-tuning (e.g. SUSY and similar)

Flavour-asymmetry of the universe

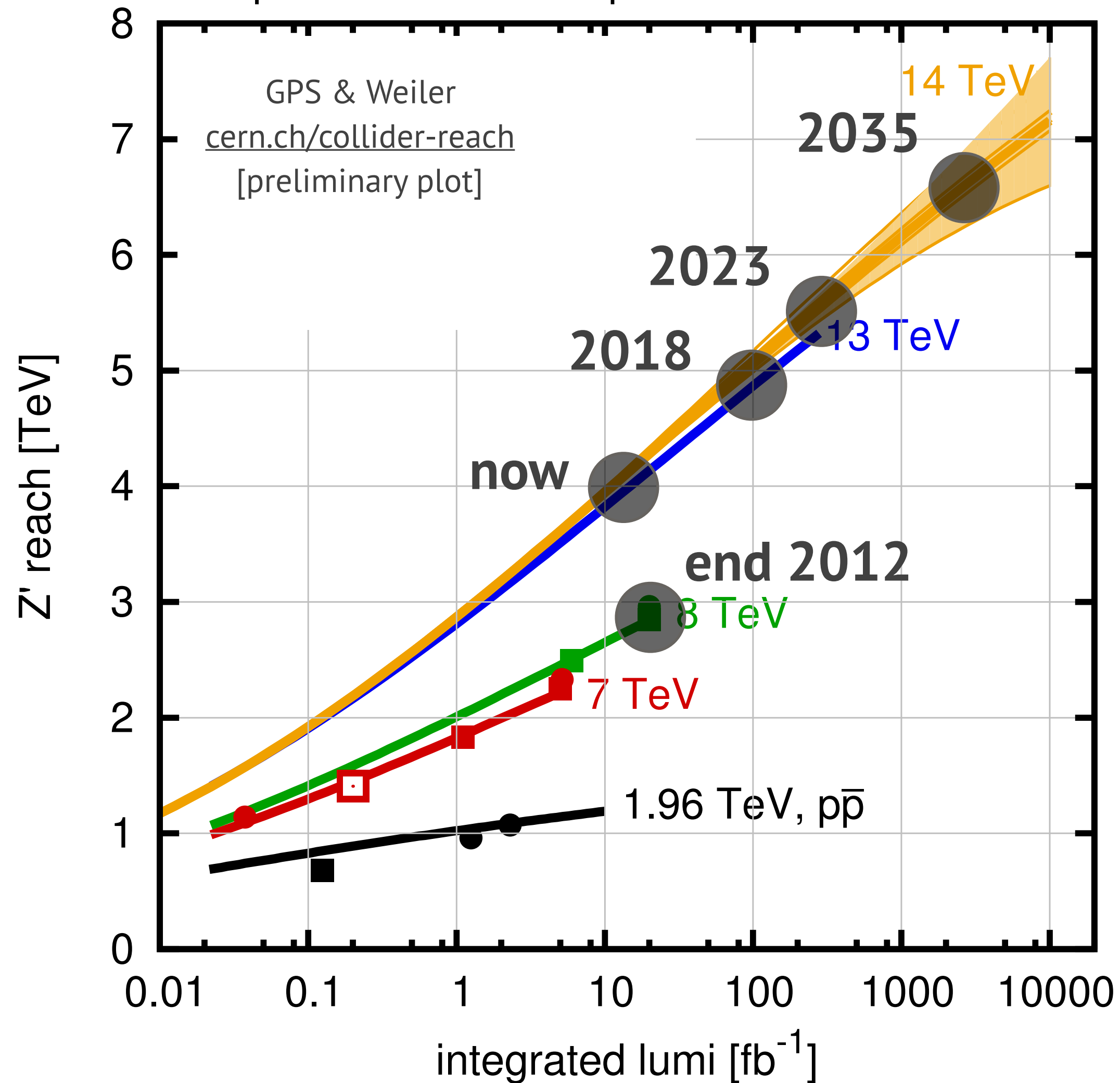
[...]

The field has made enormous progress in excluding parameter space (and finding reliable ways of communicating what has been excluded)

**But if we ask “will the LHC solve these problems?”**  
there’s no way we can guarantee a positive answer

Discovery potential: **(now → HL-LHC) > (run I → now)**

## Z' exclusion reach v. lumi



### Today

- 20 fb<sup>-1</sup> @ 8 TeV
- 13 fb<sup>-1</sup> @ 13 TeV (results)

### Future

- 2018: 100 fb<sup>-1</sup> @ 13 TeV
- 2023: 300 fb<sup>-1</sup> @ 1? TeV
- 2035: 3000 fb<sup>-1</sup> @ 14 TeV

1 fb<sup>-1</sup> = 10<sup>14</sup> collisions

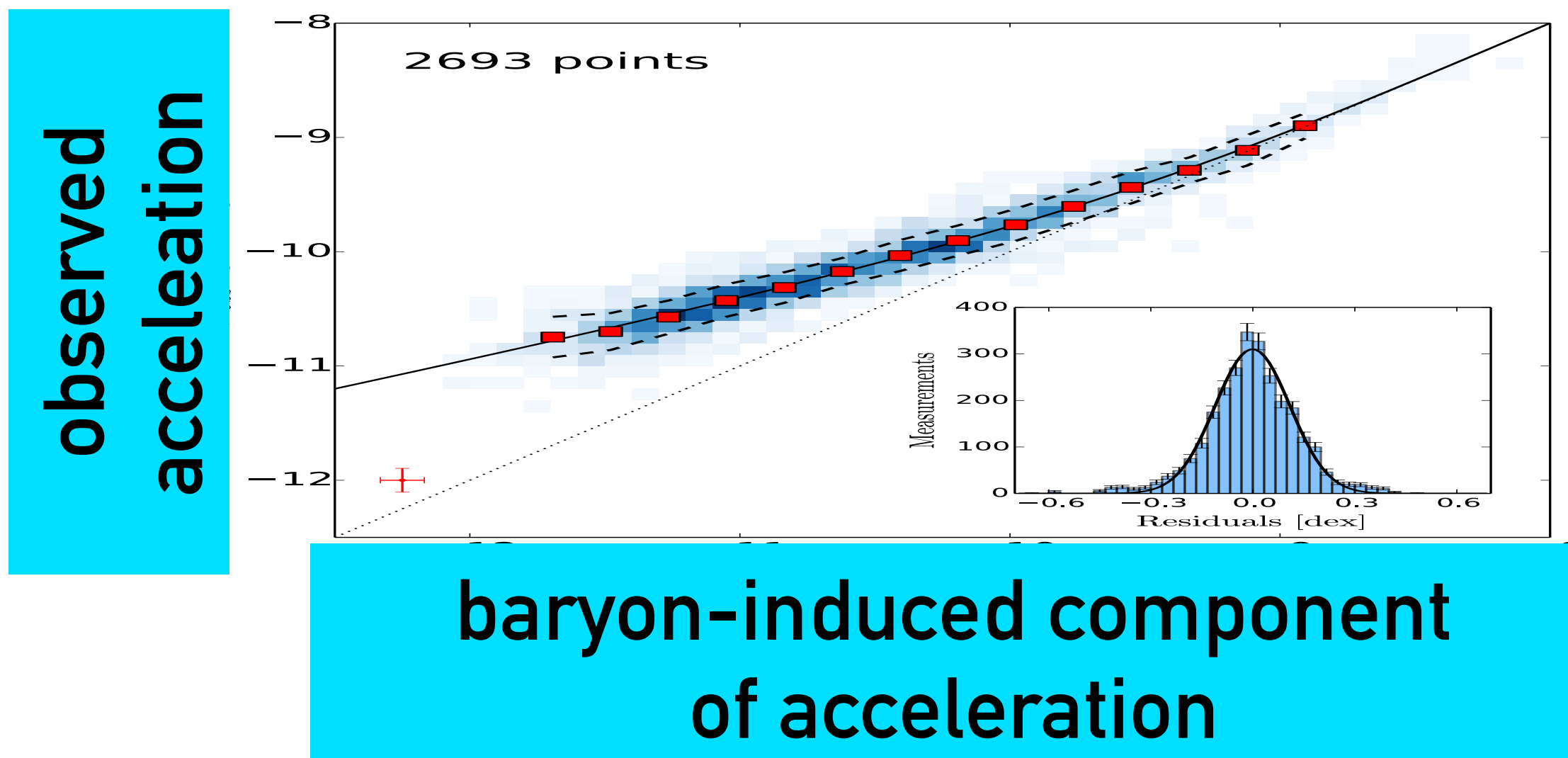
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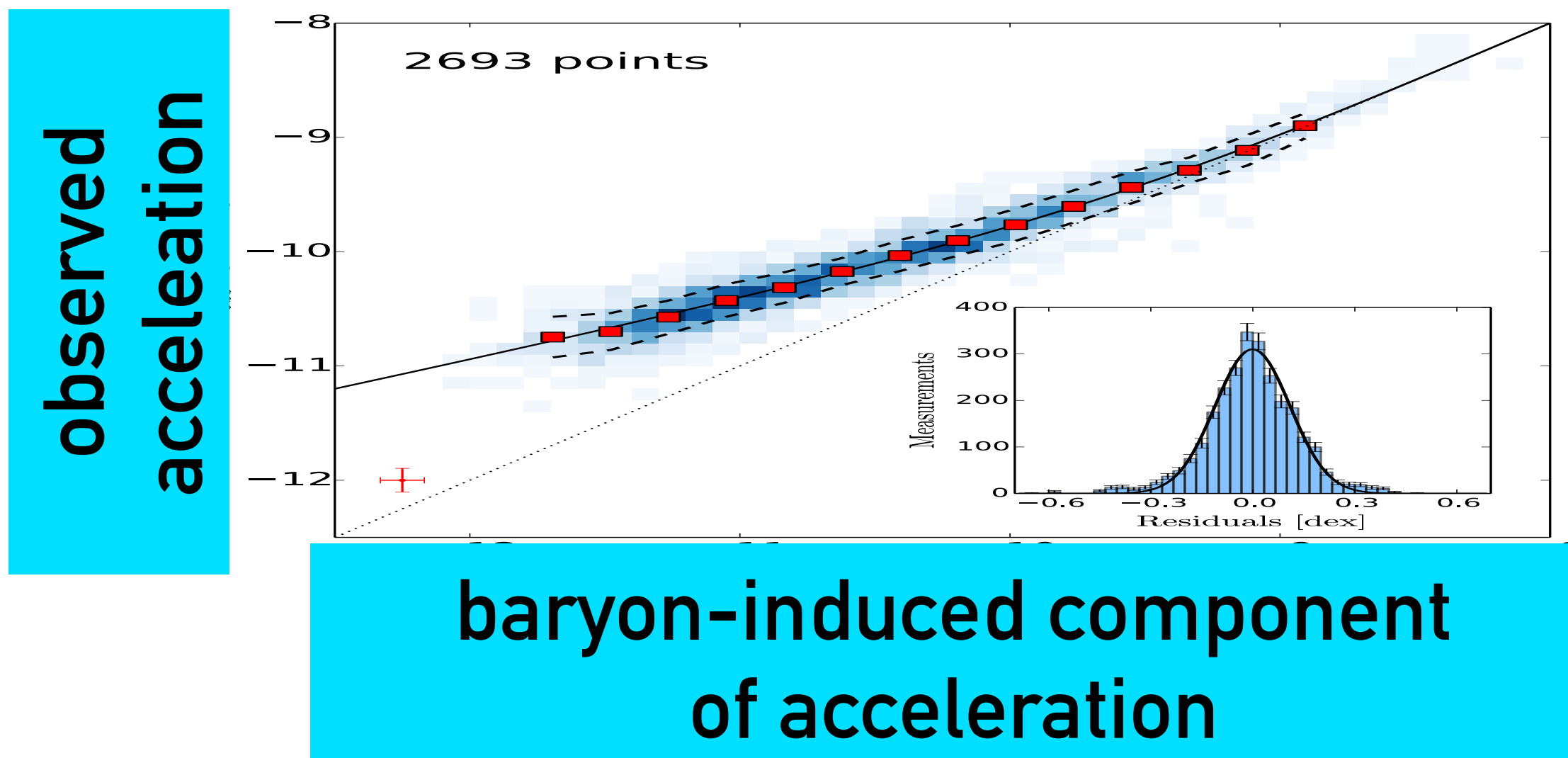
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New submissions for Thu, 2 Feb 17

[1] [arXiv:1702.00012](#) [pdf, other]

**Axion detection via Topological Casimir Effect**

ChunJun Cao, Ariel Zhitnitsky

Comments: 26 pages

Subjects: High Energy Physics - Phenomenology (hep-ph); Cosmology and Nucleary Theory (hep-th)

We propose a new table-top experimental configuration for axion detection using non-perturbative effects in a system with no axions. This setup is found in literature on direct dark matter axion detection, which relies on  $\dot{\theta}$  or  $\nabla\theta$ . We propose a static  $\theta \geq 10^{-14}$  and can also be used to set limit on the fundamental constant  $\theta_{\text{QED}}$  which is the parameter of the Maxwell system if some conditions are met. Connection with Witten effect when the induced magnetic monopole is proportional to  $\theta$  and the magnetic monopole becomes the dyon with non-vanishing  $e' = -e\frac{\theta}{2\pi}$  is also discussed.

**AXION DM**

[2] [arXiv:1702.00016](#) [pdf, other]

**Probing Leptophilic Dark Sectors with Hadronic Processes**

Francesco D'Eramo, Bradley J. Kavanagh, Paolo Panci

Comments: 10 pages, 3 figures

Subjects: High Energy Physics - Phenomenology (hep-ph); Cosmology and Nucleary Theory (hep-th); Experiment (hep-ex)

We study vector portal dark matter models where the mediator couples to leptons at tree-level couplings to colored states, radiative effects generate interactions with quark fields. We study the production of lepton-antilepton pairs at the Large Hadron Collider; and hadronic final states in dark matter indirect detection. Furthermore, radiative effects also generate an irreducible mass mixing between the vector mediator and the Z boson, severely bounded by the ElectroWeak Precision Tests. We use current experimental results to put bounds on this class of models, accounting for both radiatively induced and tree-level processes. Remarkably, the former often overwhelm the latter.

**WIMP DM**



# THIS TALK?

What important questions can LHC answer?

Precision, as a requirement needed in order to address some of them.

[& at the end a few remarks on searches]







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**We've seen gauge sectors work over and over again  
→ gives us the illusion there's nothing left to do in SM physics**

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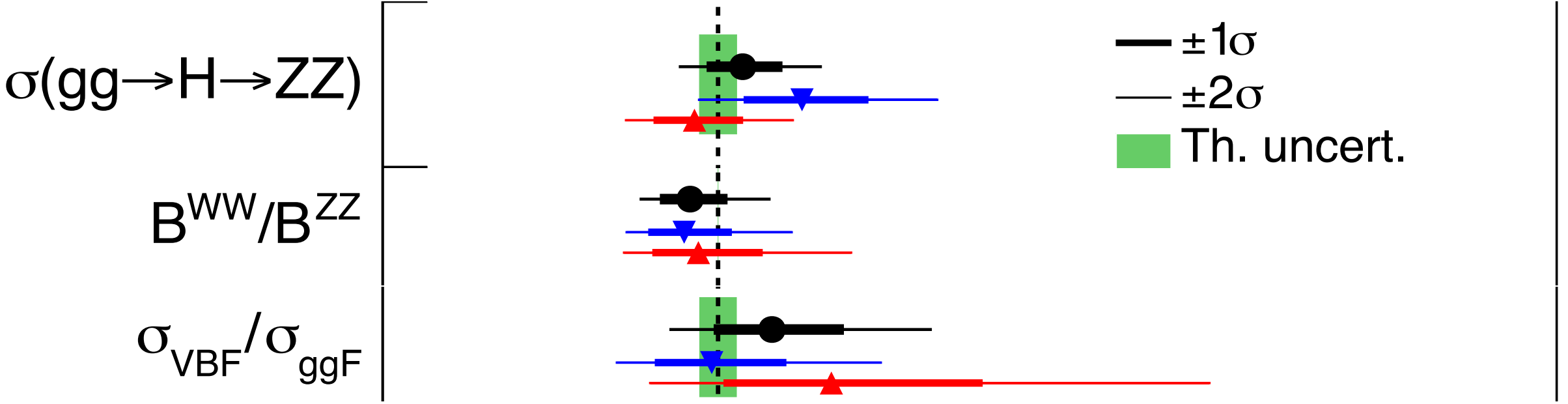
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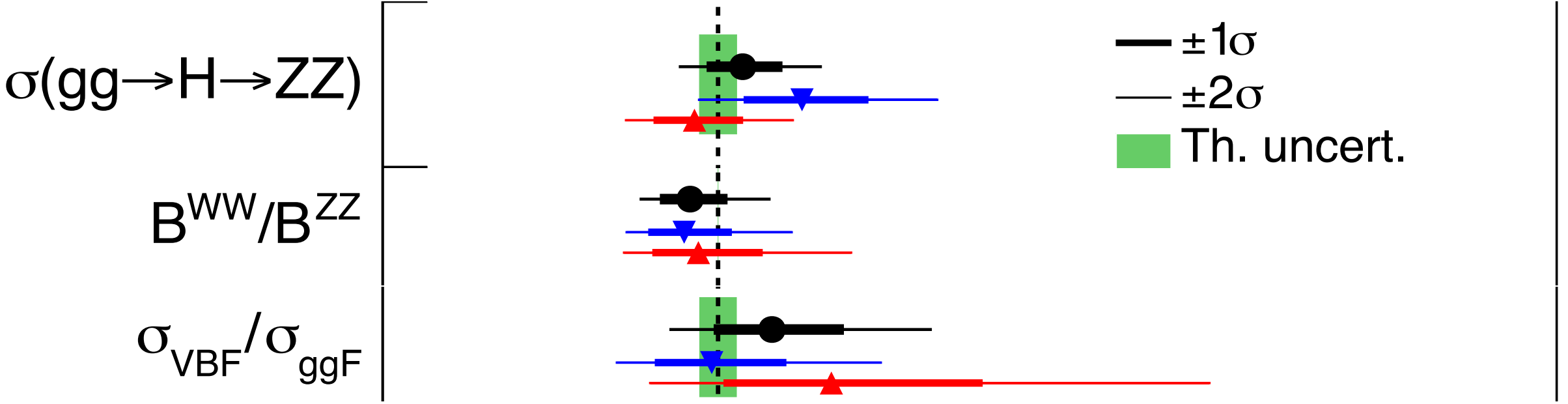
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**Novelty? Covariant derivative D is widespread, but first time we see it with a scalar**



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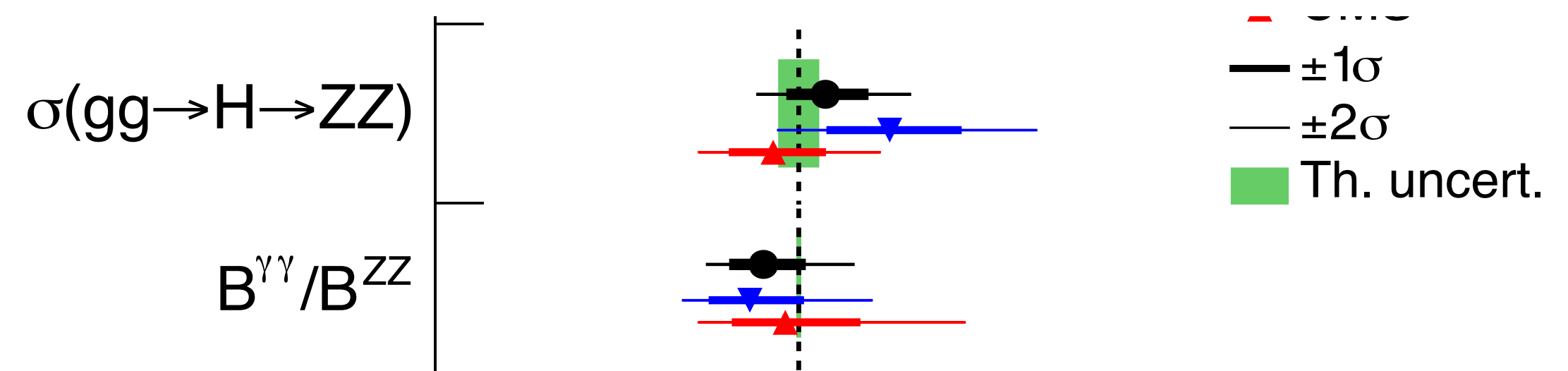
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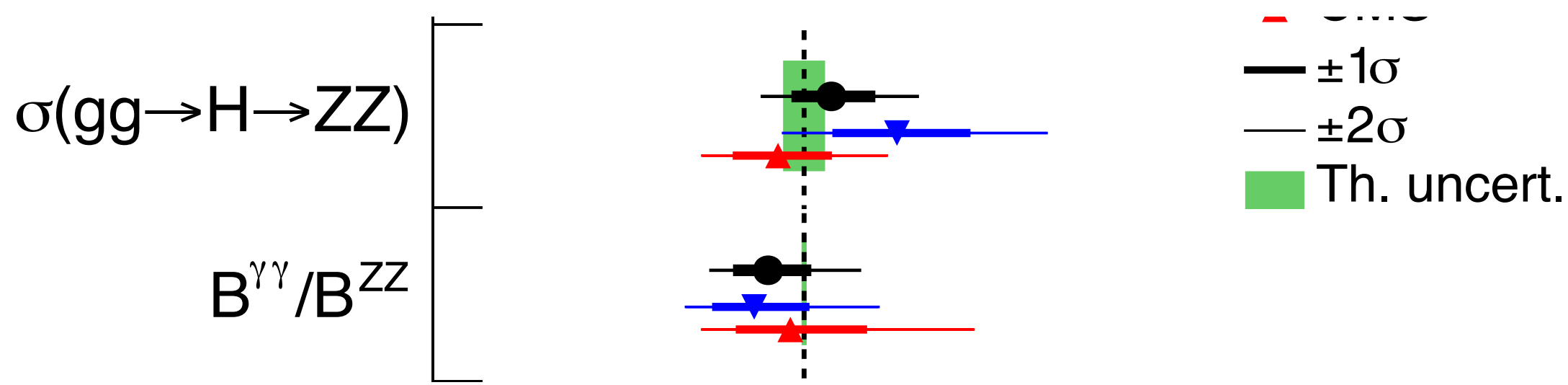
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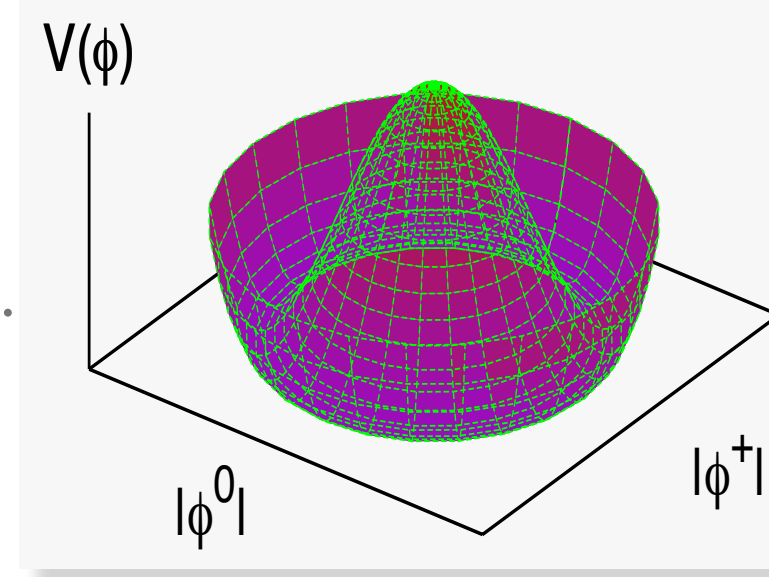
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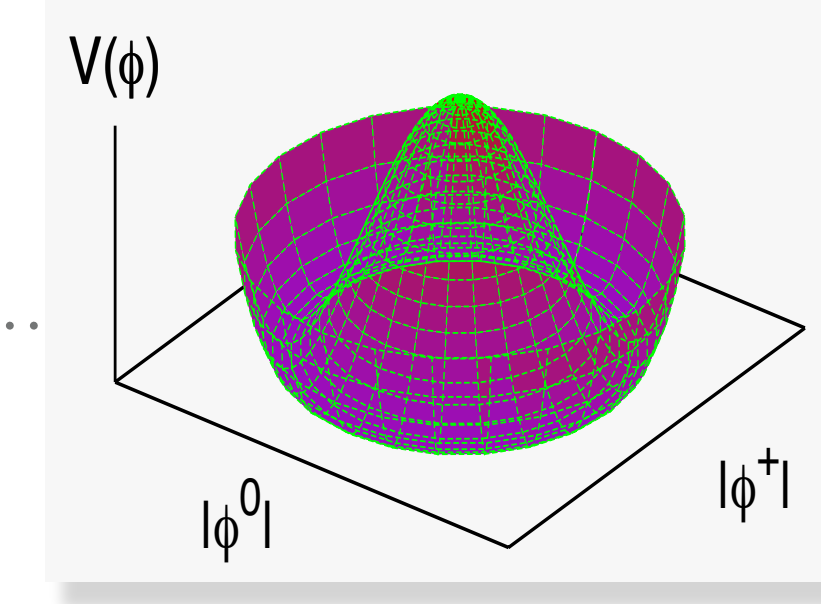
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**Novelty? Theorists' toy model, never seen in nature (as fundamental); Connects with stability of universe**



# OVERALL TODAY?

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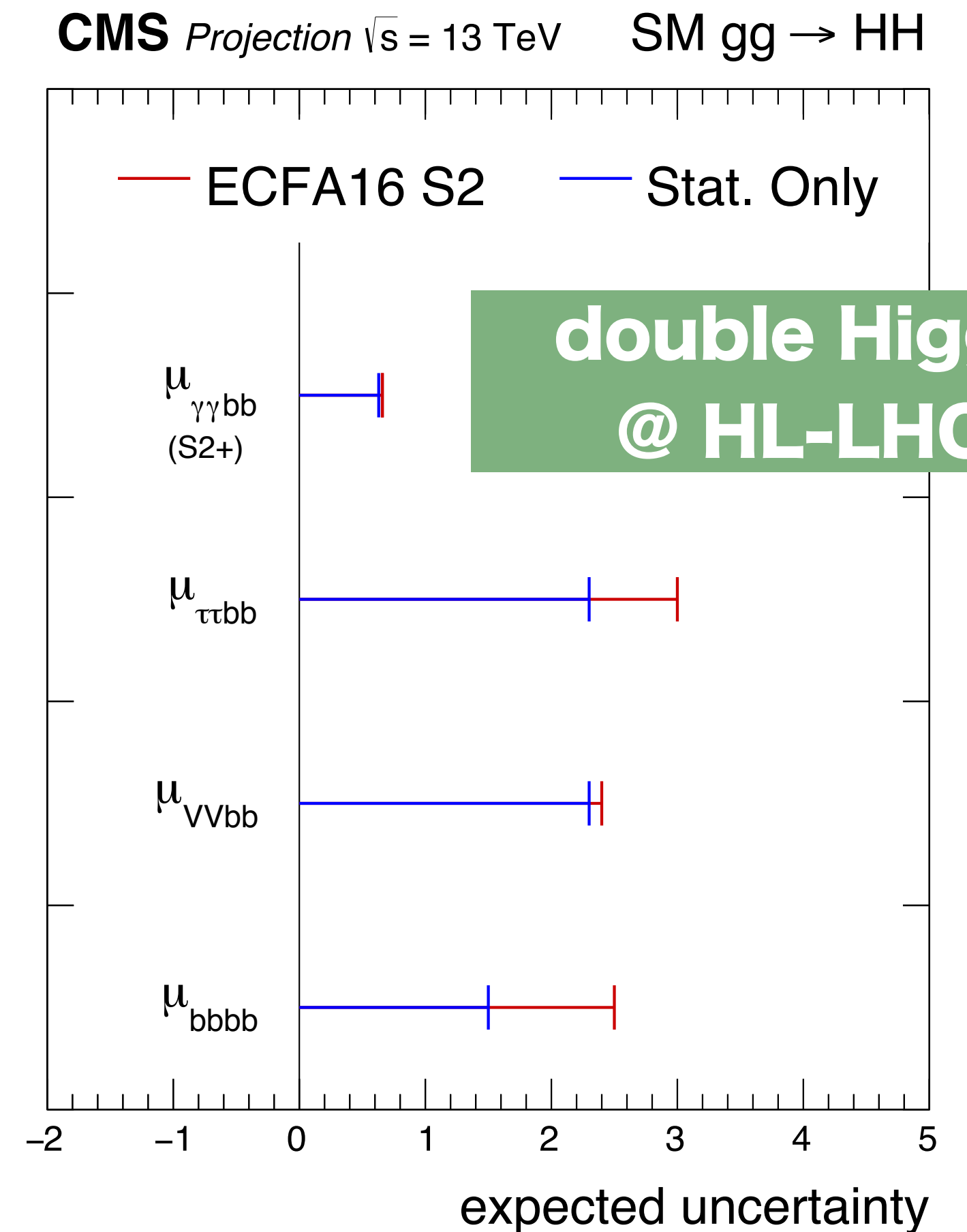
There remains a lot to establish in the Higgs sector

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# WHAT WILL THE LHC BRING?

- Run 2: observation of  $H \rightarrow bb$  (Yukawa)
- Run 2/3: observation of  $ttH$  (Yukawa)
- HL-LHC: observation of  $H \rightarrow \mu\mu$  (2nd gen Yukawa)
- HL-LHC: Higgs width  $\rightarrow$  SM  $\pm 50\%$  (BSM constraint)
- HL-LHC:  $H \rightarrow$  invisible  $< 10\%$  (BSM constraint)
- HL-LHC:  $gg \rightarrow HH?$  (Higgs potential)
- HL-LHC:  $Hcc$  coupling? (2nd gen Yukawa)



*cf. talks at HL-LHC workshop*



# What will the LHC bring? (continued)

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- ×300 sensitivity to rare decays involving new physics
- map out couplings to W/Z/3rd gen. with **precision** and across **broad kinematics**, which could reveal signs of
  - new particles in loops (too heavy to produce, or hard to observe)
  - non-fundamental nature of Higgs
  - or simply confirm, in detail, a highly non-trivial part of the standard model



# BY END OF HL-LHC?

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# What's needed beyond luminosity?

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- in some cases it's entirely an experimental question, e.g.  $H \rightarrow \mu\mu$
- in many cases, mapping out full structure needs **precise theory and experiment**
- e.g. indirect constraints on  $H_{cc}$  Yukawa and triple Higgs

*u, d, s, c quarks*

*Yotam Soreq, Hua Xing Zhu, and Jure Zupan, arXiv:1606.09621*

*Fady Bishara, Ulrich Haisch, Pier Francesco Monni and Emanuele Re, arXiv:1606.09253*

*HHH, sensitive to  $\varphi^2 + \varphi^4$  structure of potential*

*Wojciech Bizoń, Martin Gorbahn, Ulrich Haisch and Giulia Zanderighi, arXiv:1610.05771*

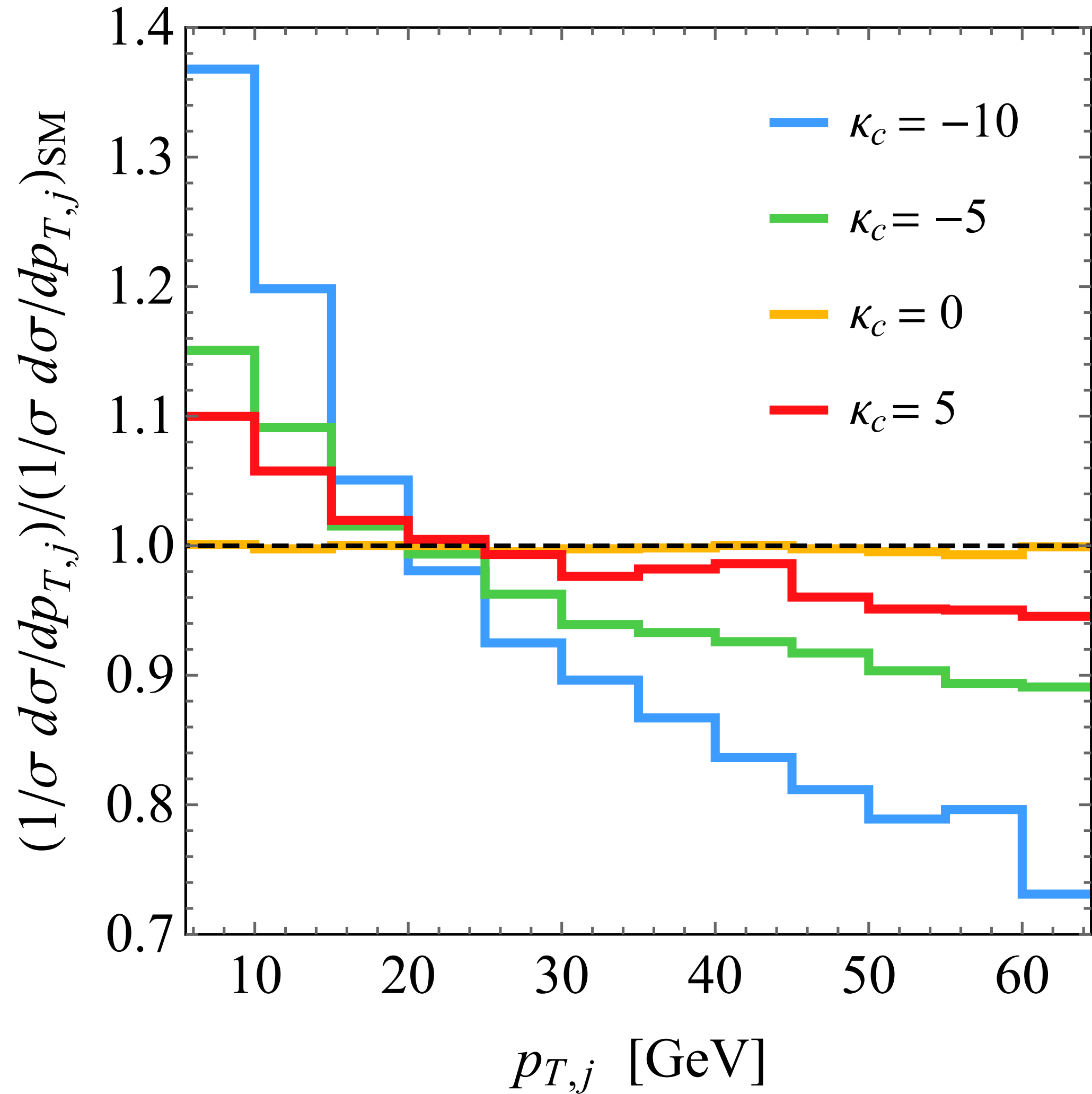
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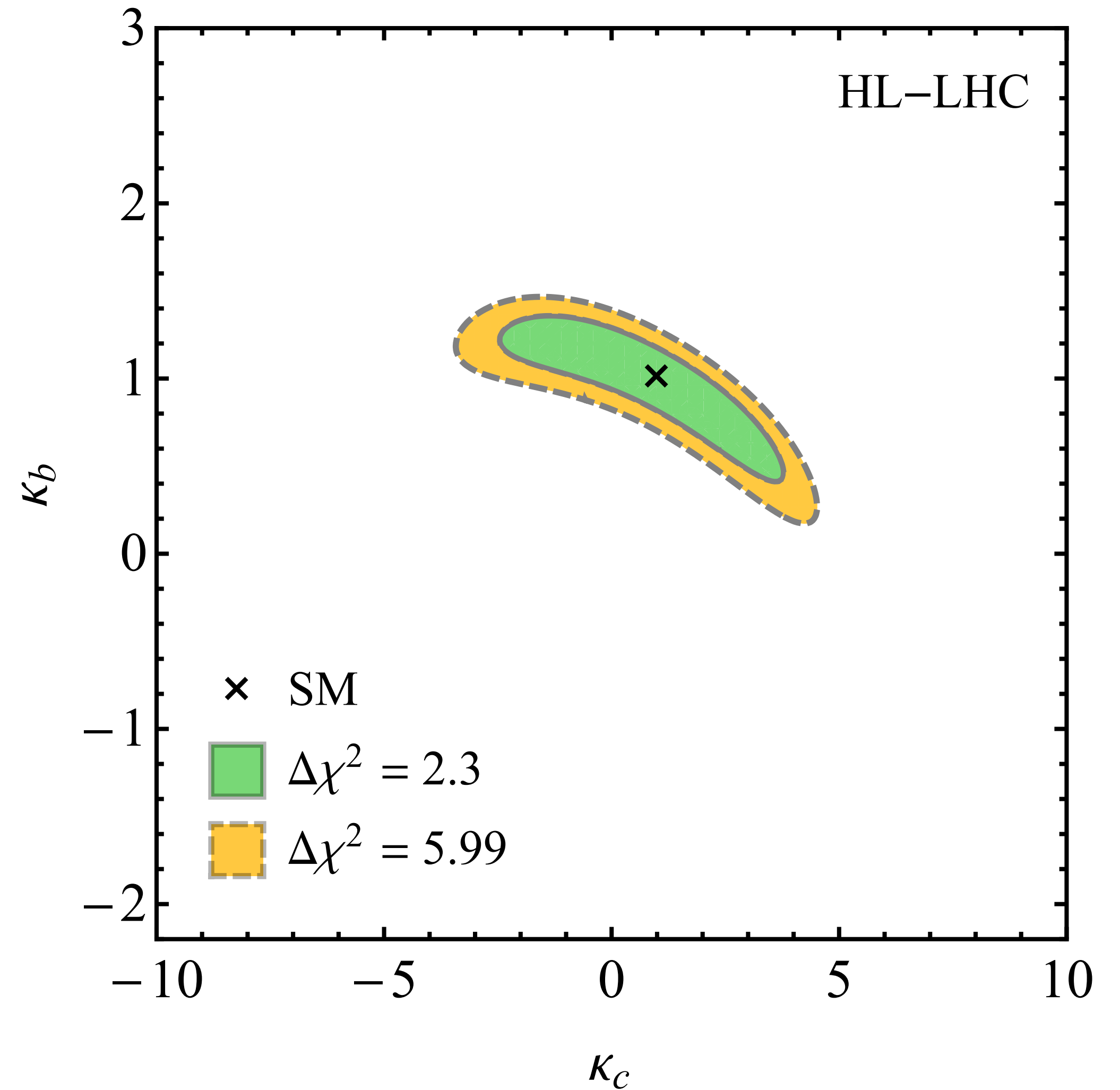


# indirect constraints on $Hcc$

impact of modified  $Hcc$  coupling on Higgs+jet  $p_T$  dist



joint limits on  $\kappa_c$  &  $\kappa_b$  @ HL-LHC

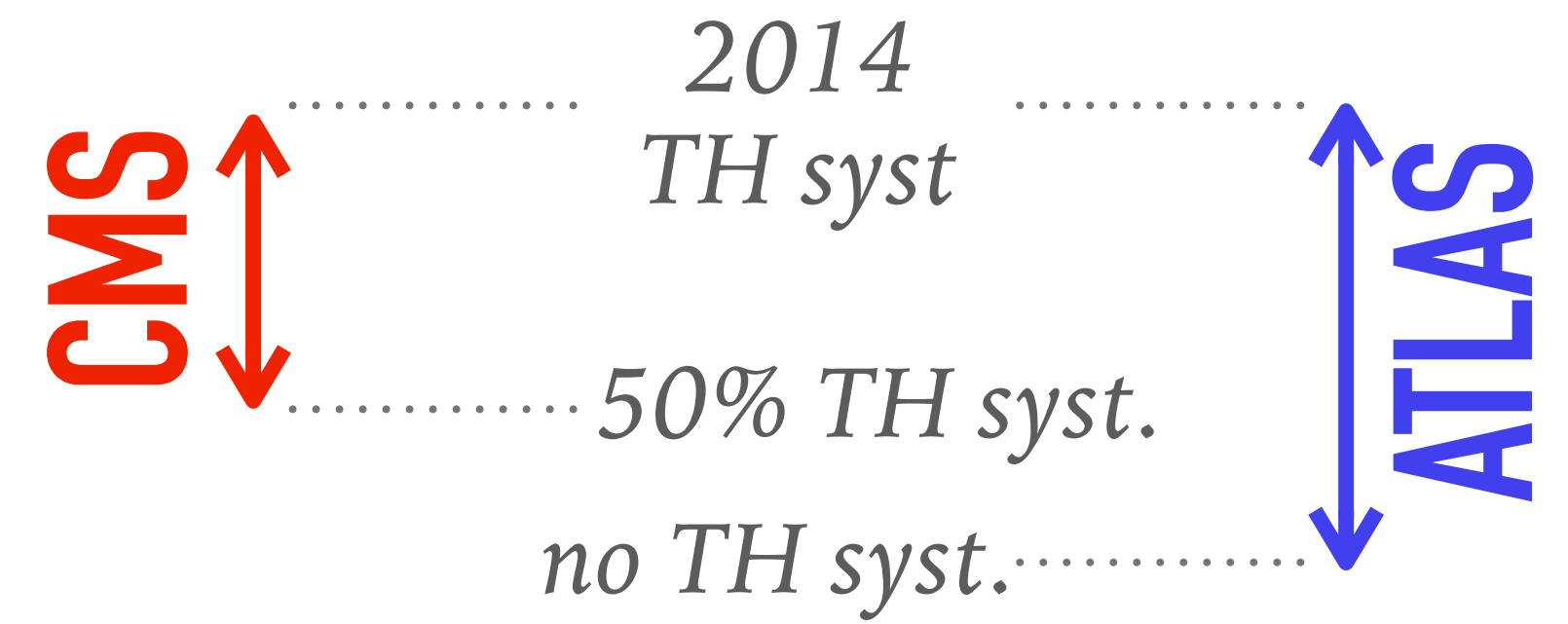
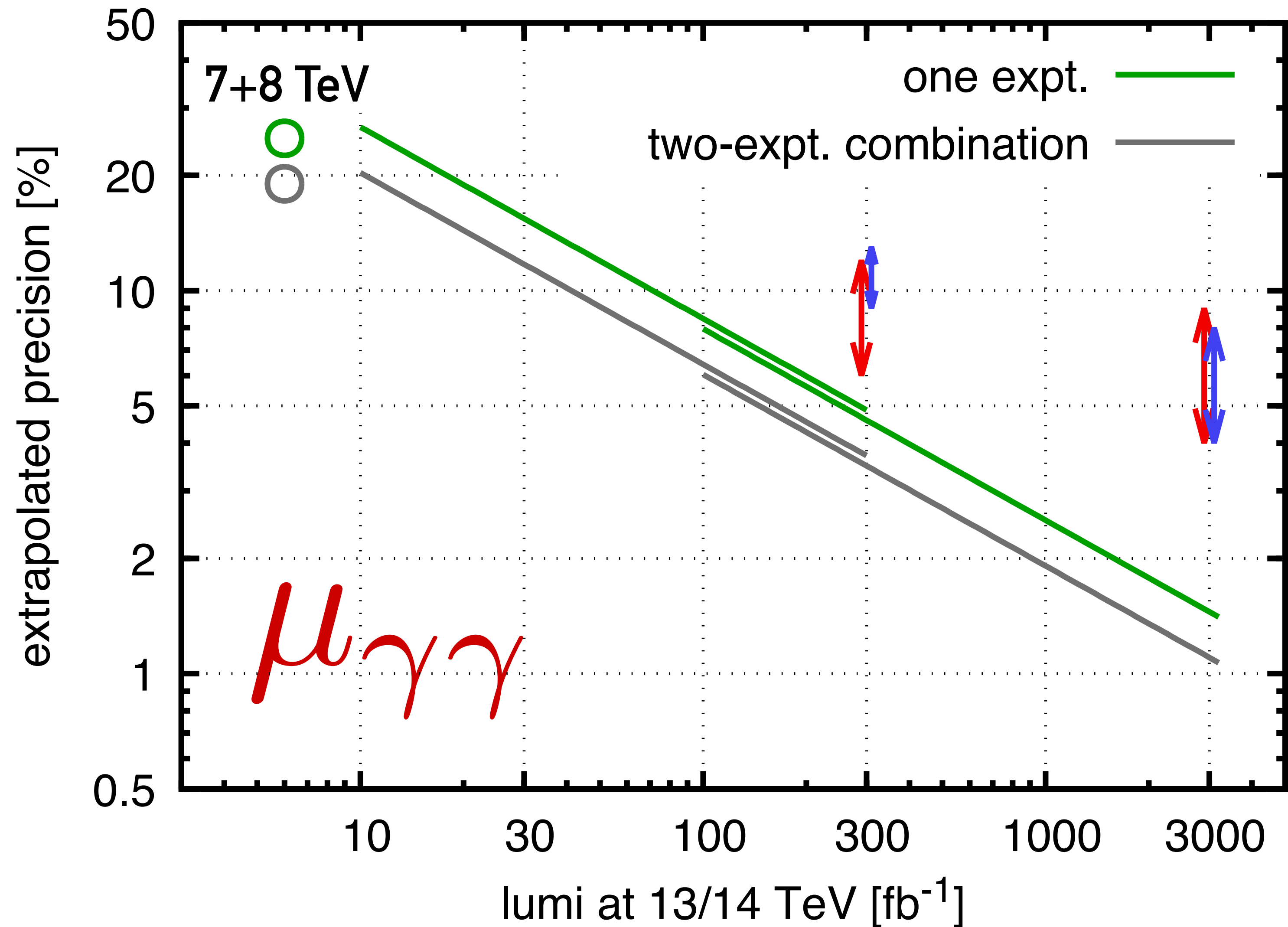




# precision Higgs



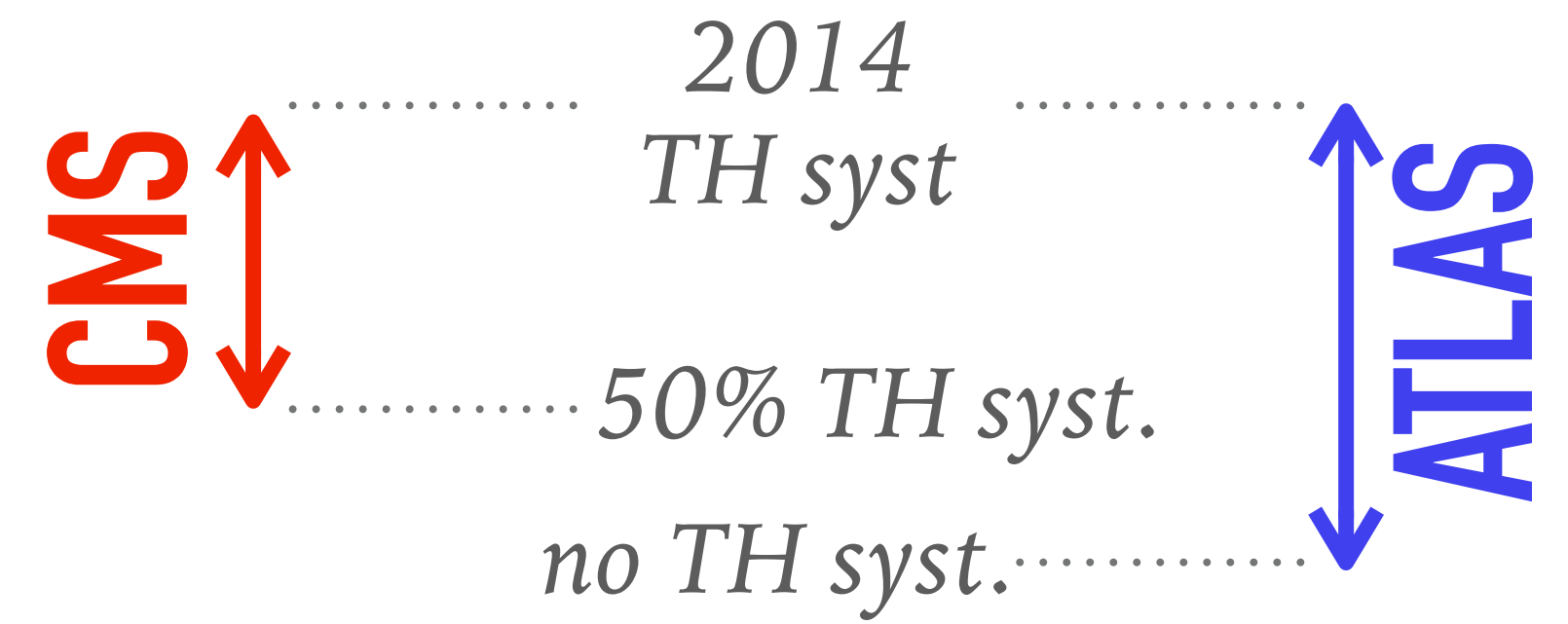
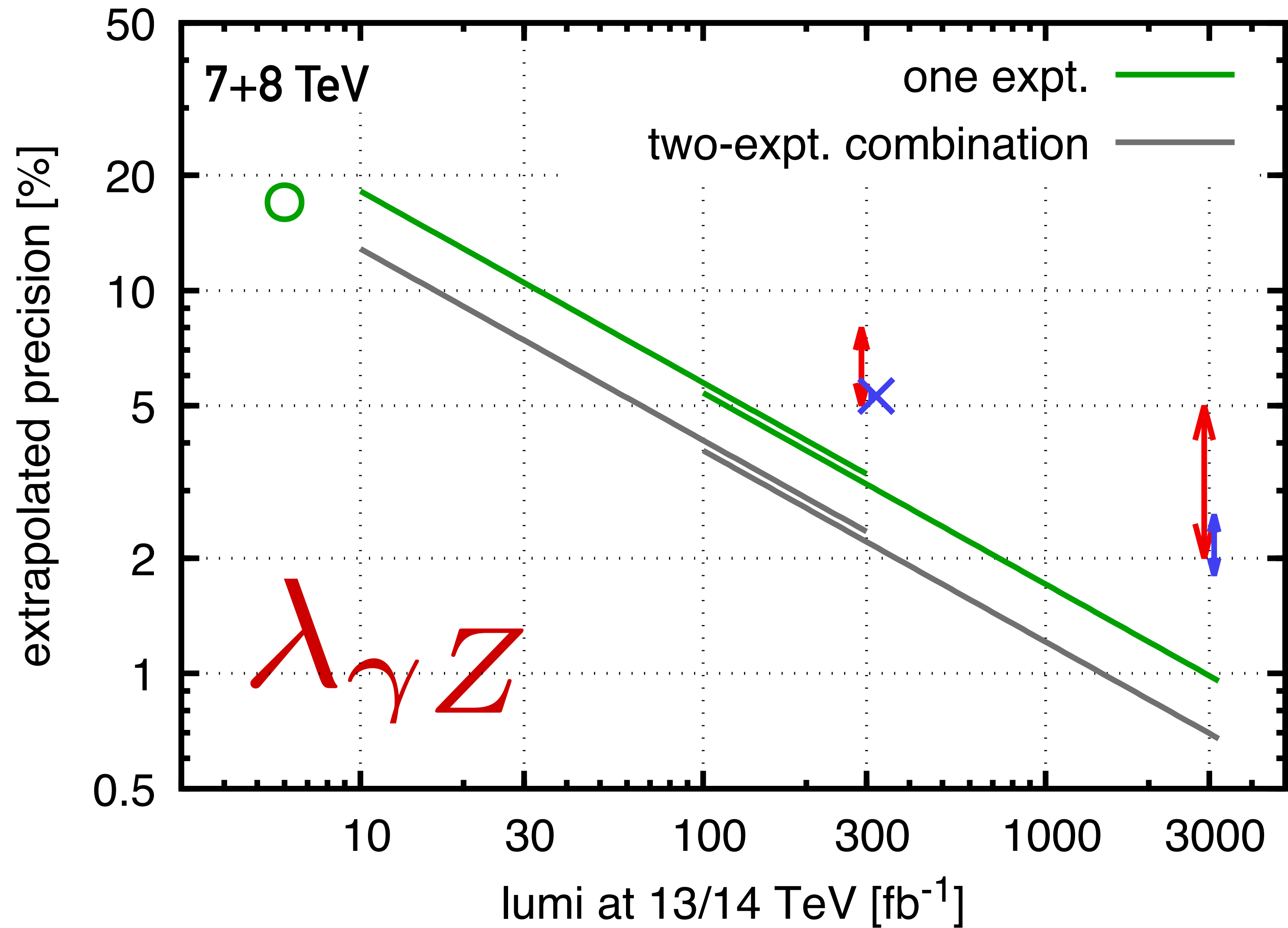
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# recent higgs theory progress

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*take gluon fusion as main example*

*consider theory calculations & inputs  
as well as pathway for progress*



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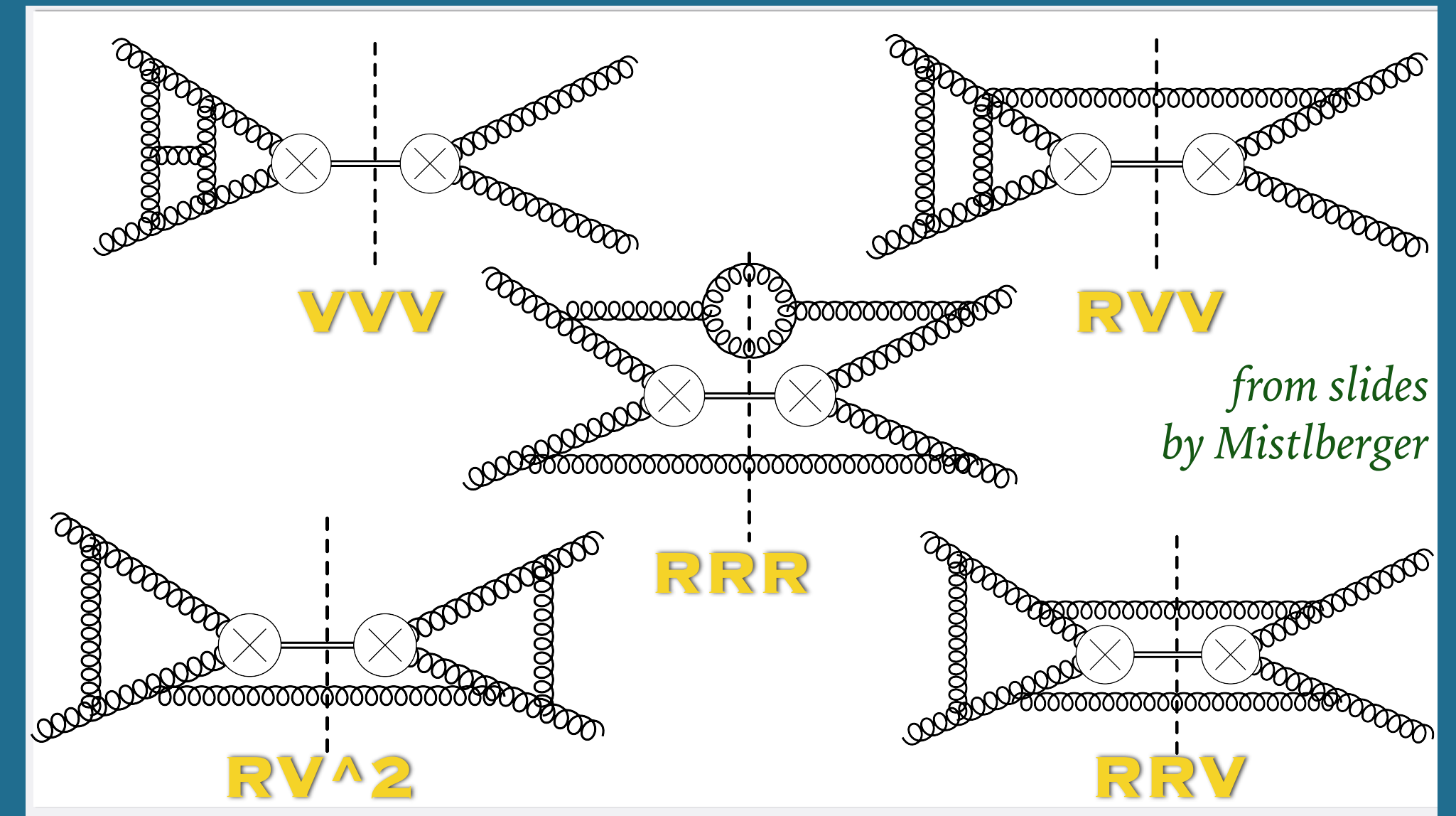
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### N3LO Higgs production

Anastasiou, Duhr, Dulat, Herzog, Mistlberger '15-16

100,000 diagrams



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linearly**

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**added in  
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**HXSWG  
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**$\pm 3.9\%$**

*vs.  $\pm 7.5\%$  in YR4*

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(or new insight)  
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likely to improve  
with new calculations  
in next years?

progress requires  
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**added linearly**      +4.6%  
-6.7%

**added in quadrature**      +2.1%  
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**HXSWG Gaussian**       $\pm 3.9\%$

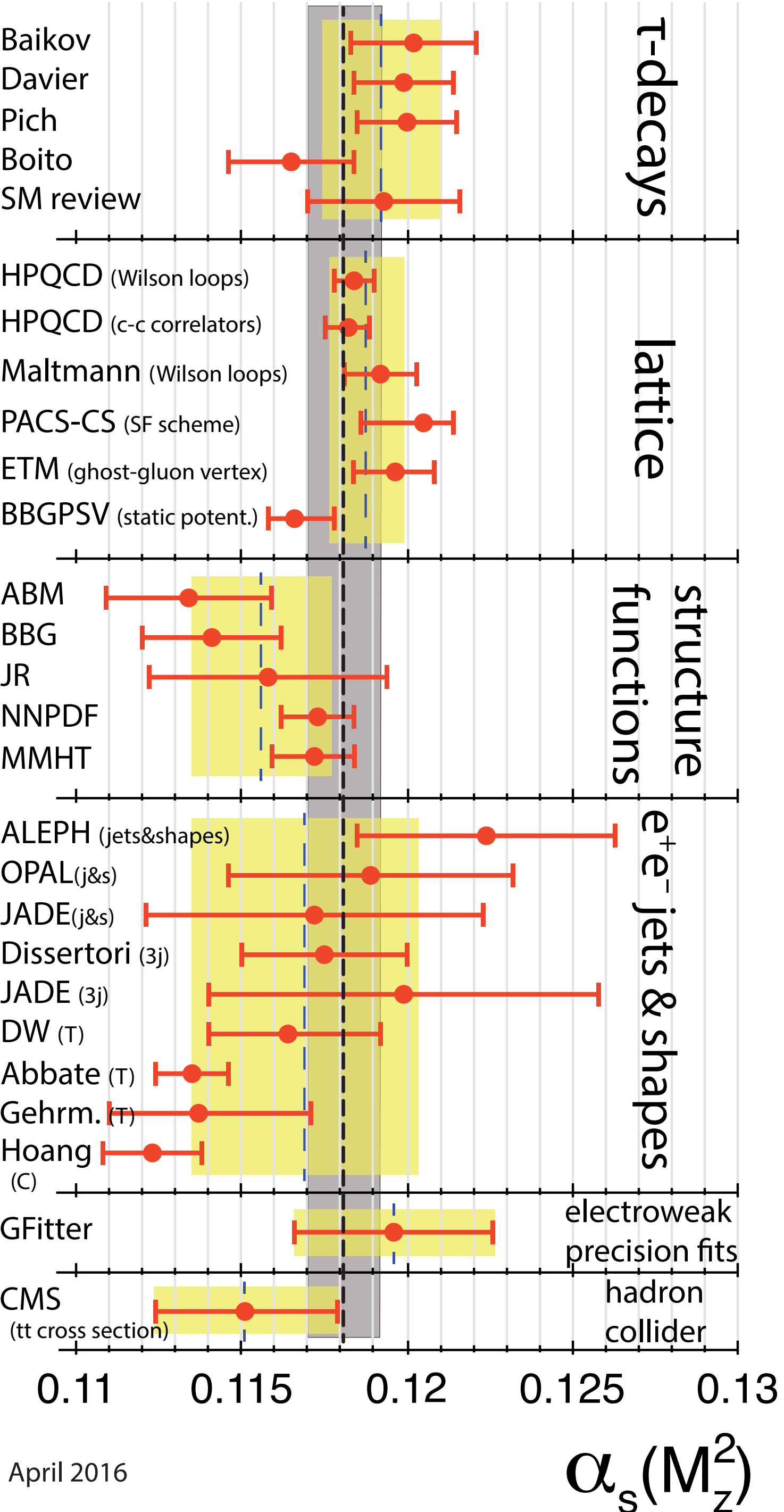
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# the inputs

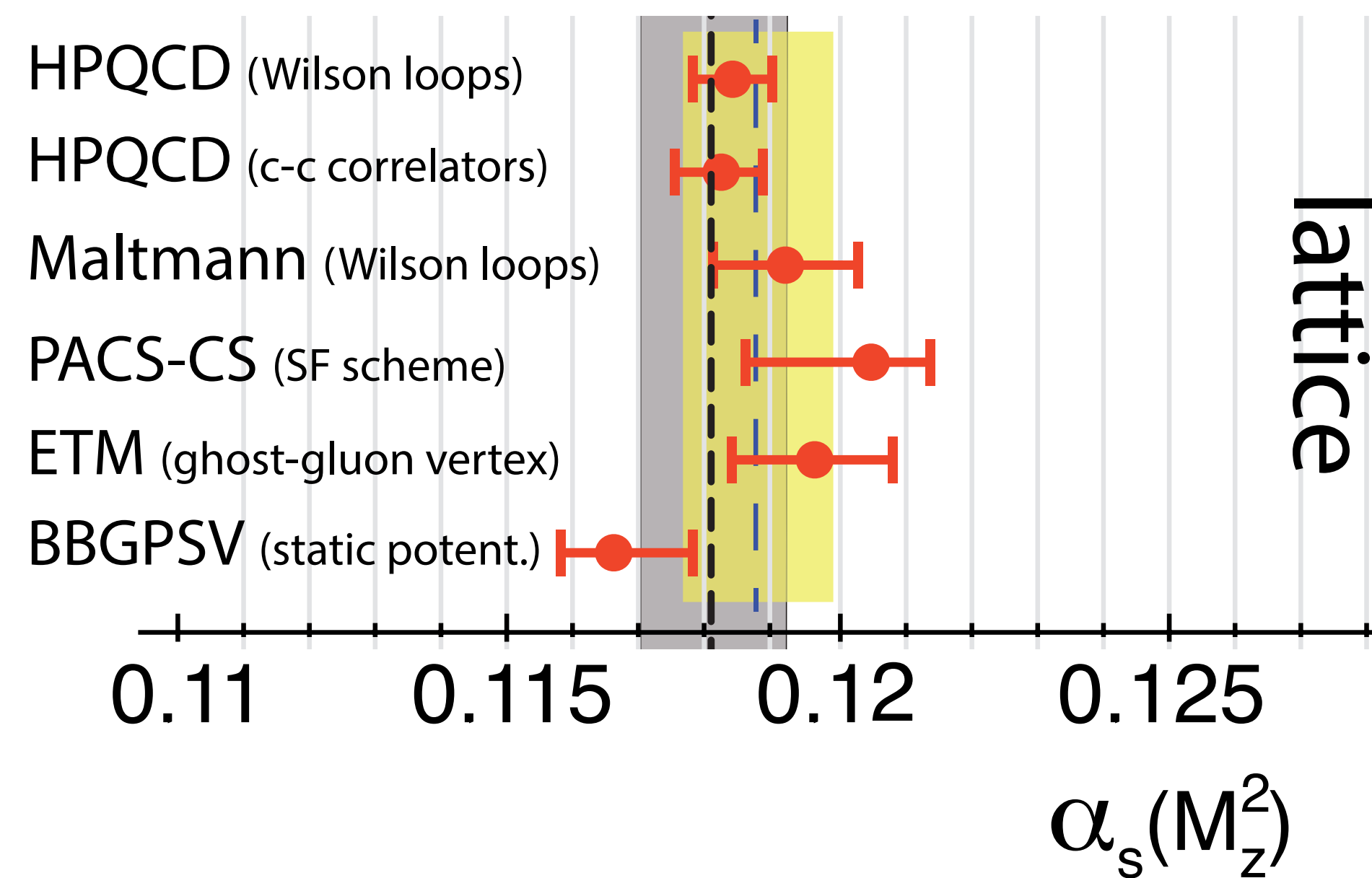
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*strong coupling (e.g.  $\pm 2.6\%$  on  $ggF$ )*  
*PDFs (e.g.  $\pm 1.9\%$  on  $ggF$ )*



PDG World Average:  $\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1181 \pm 0.0011$  (0.9%). WHAT WAY FORWARD?

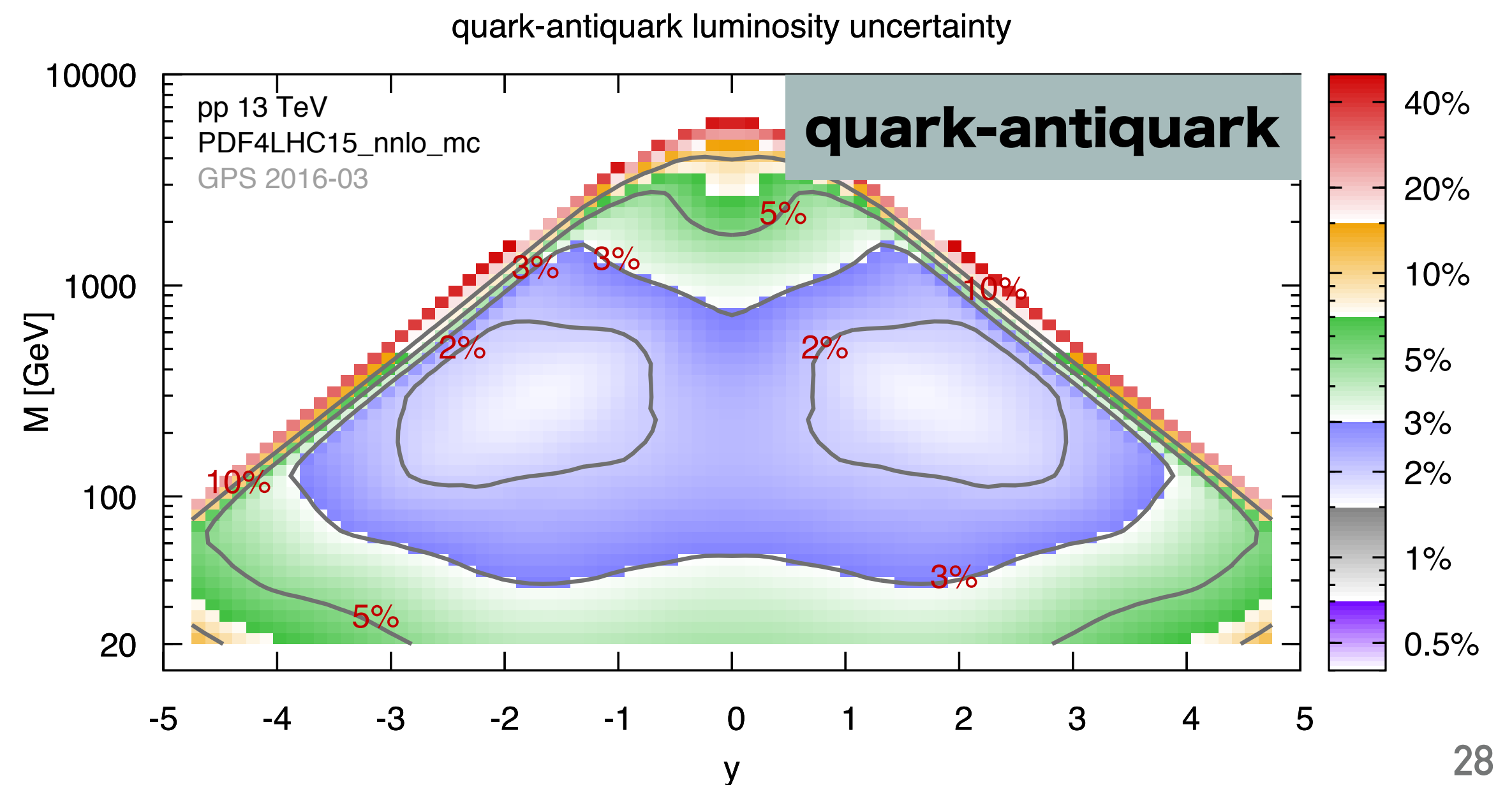
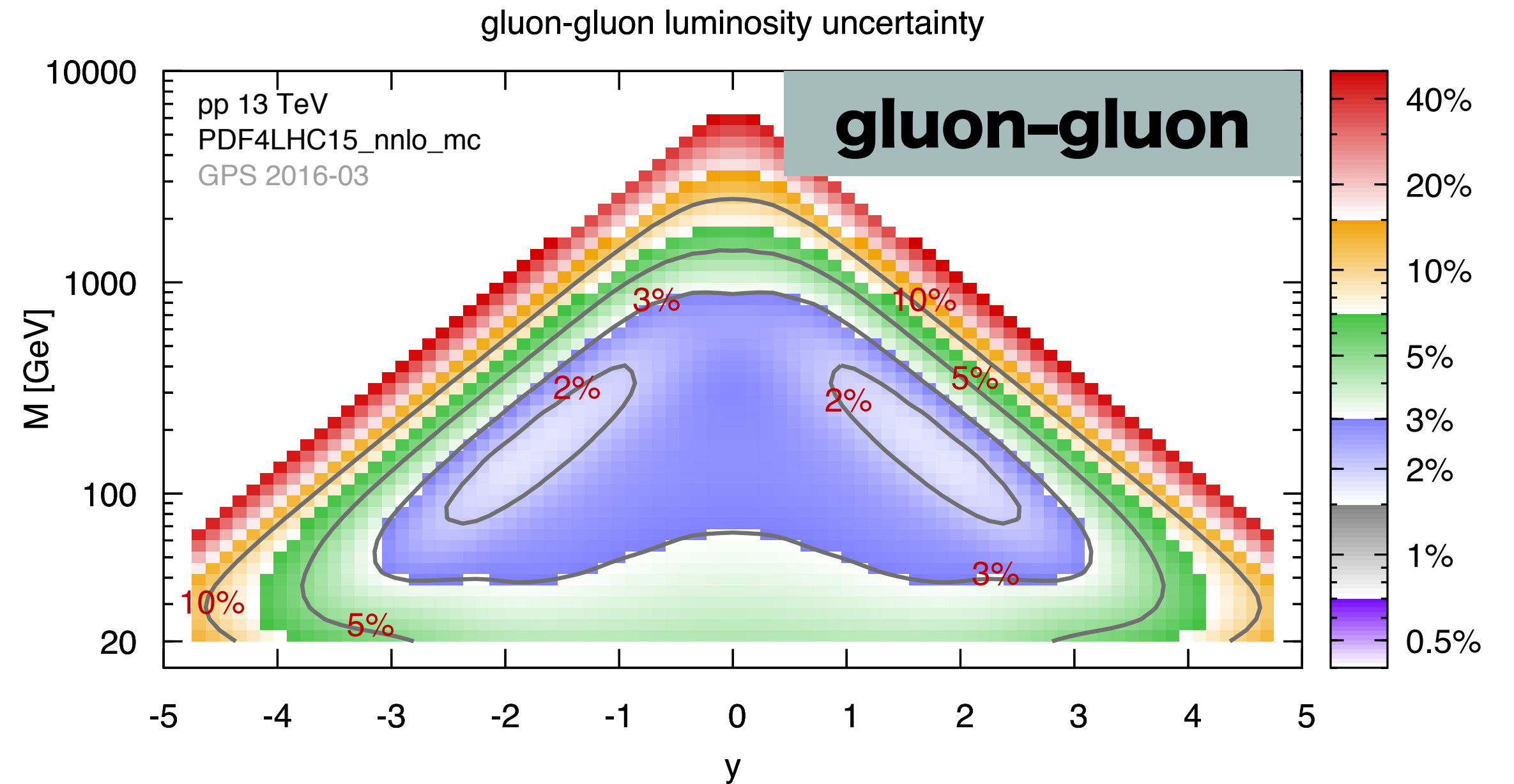
- For gluon-fusion & ttH, this comes in squared. It also correlates with the PDFs and affects backgrounds.
- To go beyond 1%, best hope is probably lattice QCD — on a 10-year timescale, there will likely be enough progress that multiple groups will have high-precision determinations





# PDFs: WHAT ROUTE FOR PROGRESS?

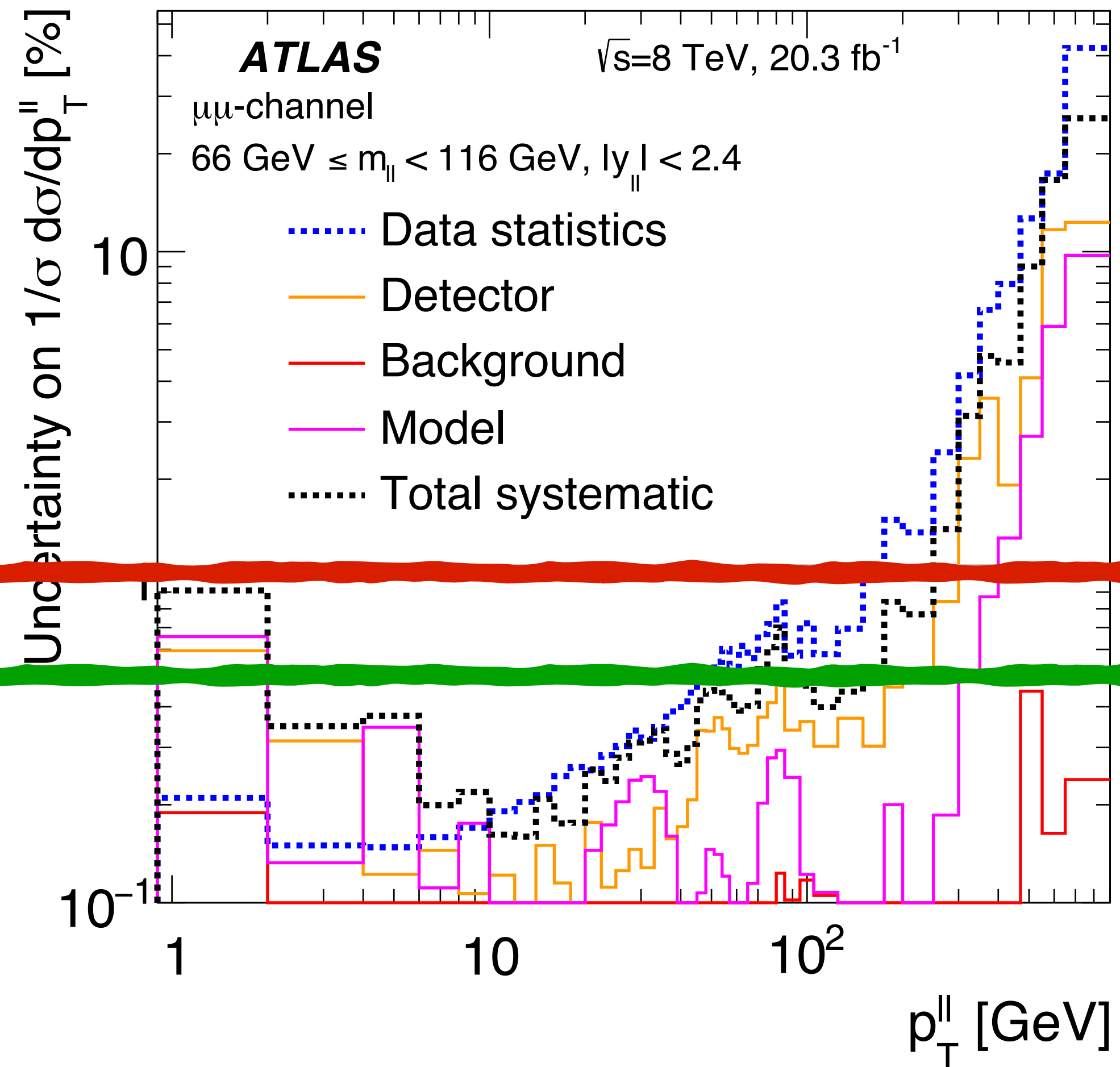
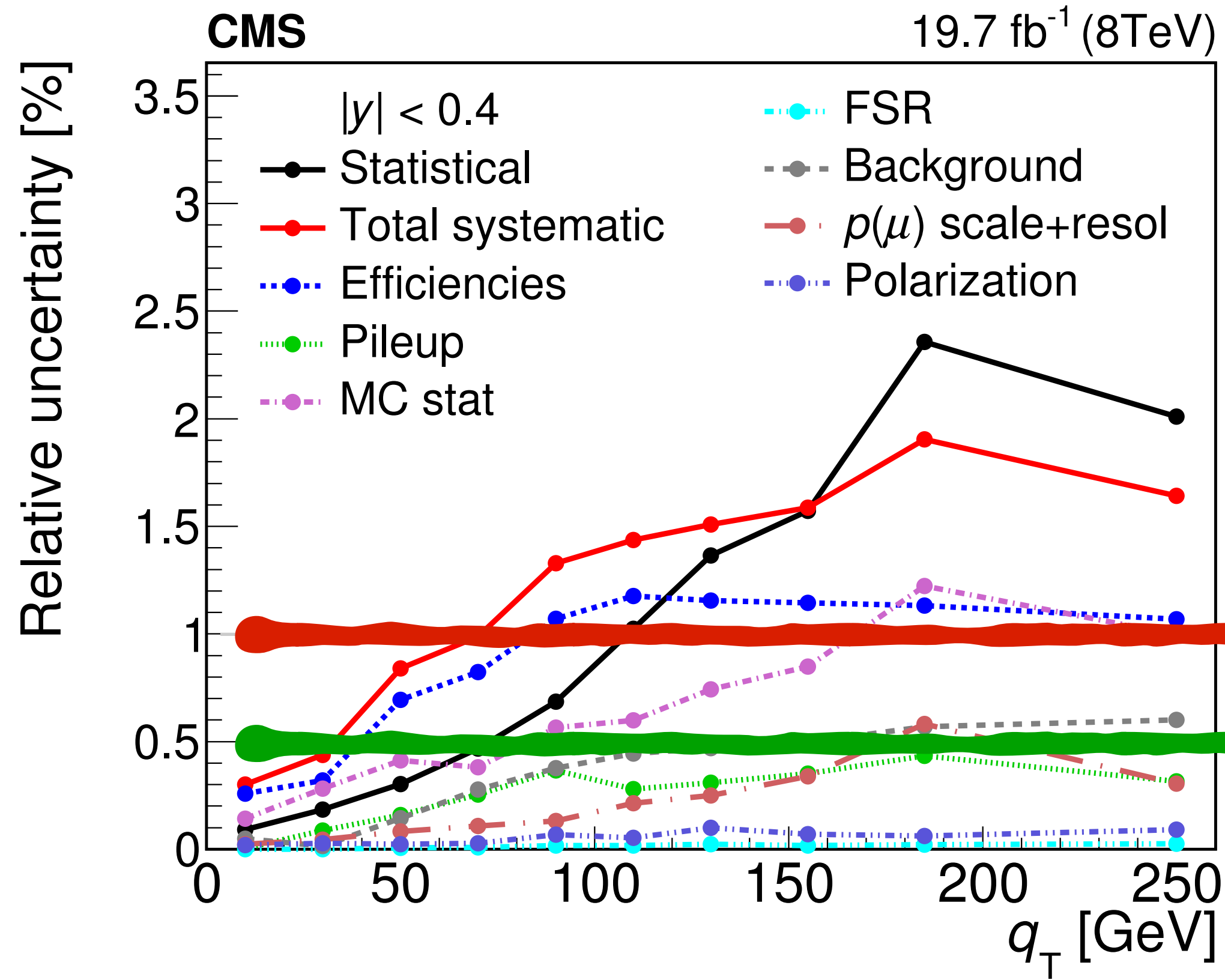
- Current status is 2–3% for core “precision” region
- Path to  $\sim 1\%$  is not clear — e.g.  $Z p_T$ 's strongest constraint is on  $qg$  lumi, which is already best known (why?)
- It'll be interesting to revisit the question once  $t\bar{t}$ , incl. jets,  $Z p_T$ , etc. have all been incorporated at NNLO
- **Can we get measurements and theory to 1% accuracy?**



**is 1% possible  
at a hadron collider?**



# Z $p_T$ distribution: 0.5–1% precision!

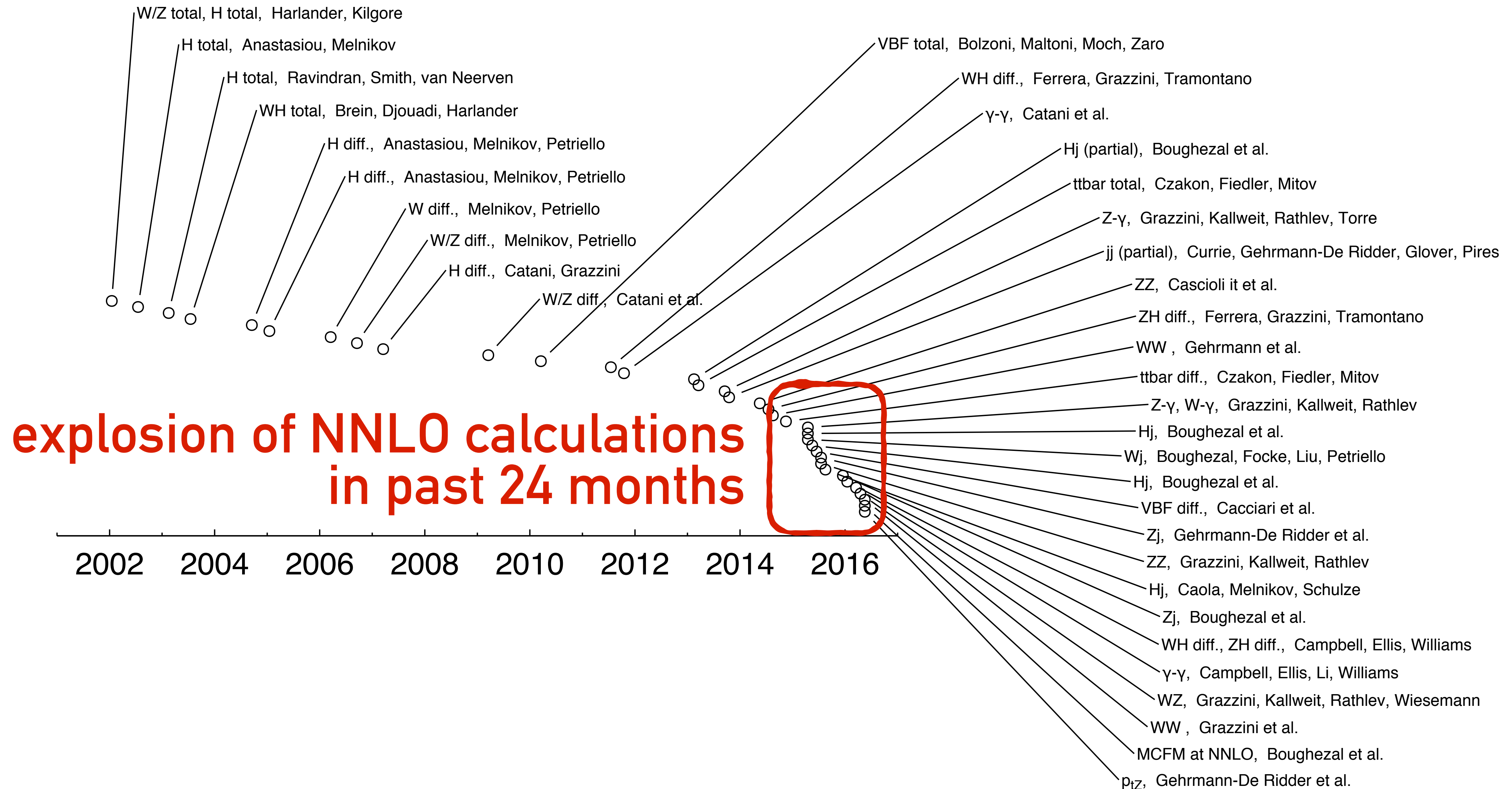


1%

0.5%

# NNLO hadron-collider calculations v. time

*as of mid June 2016*





# Z p<sub>T</sub>: Data v. theory calculation

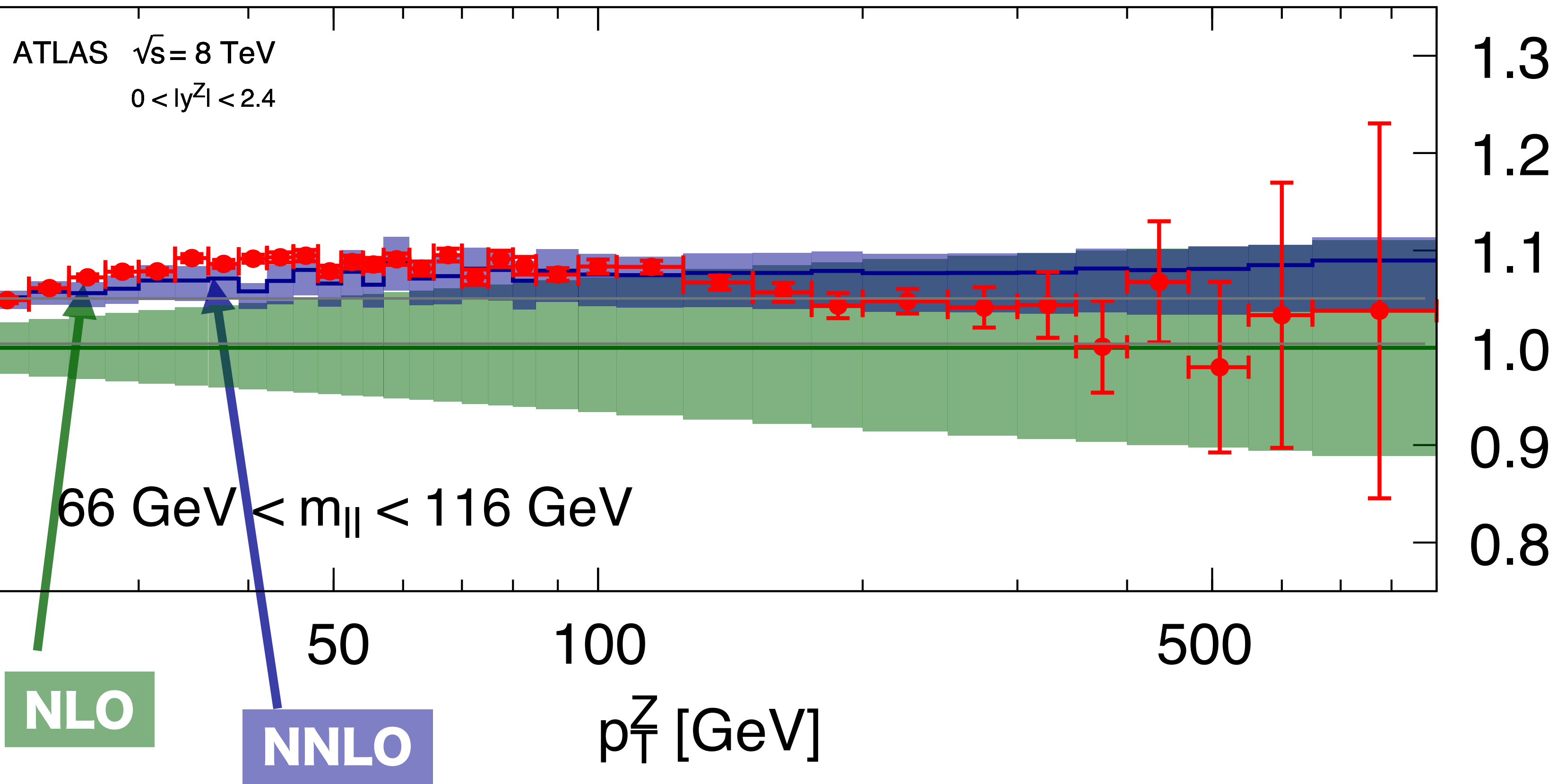
$p p \rightarrow Z + \geq 0 \text{ jet}$  ( $p_T^Z > 20 \text{ GeV}$ )

NLO — NNLO — Data —●—

*Gehrmann-de Ridder, Gehrmann  
Glover, Huss & Morgan*

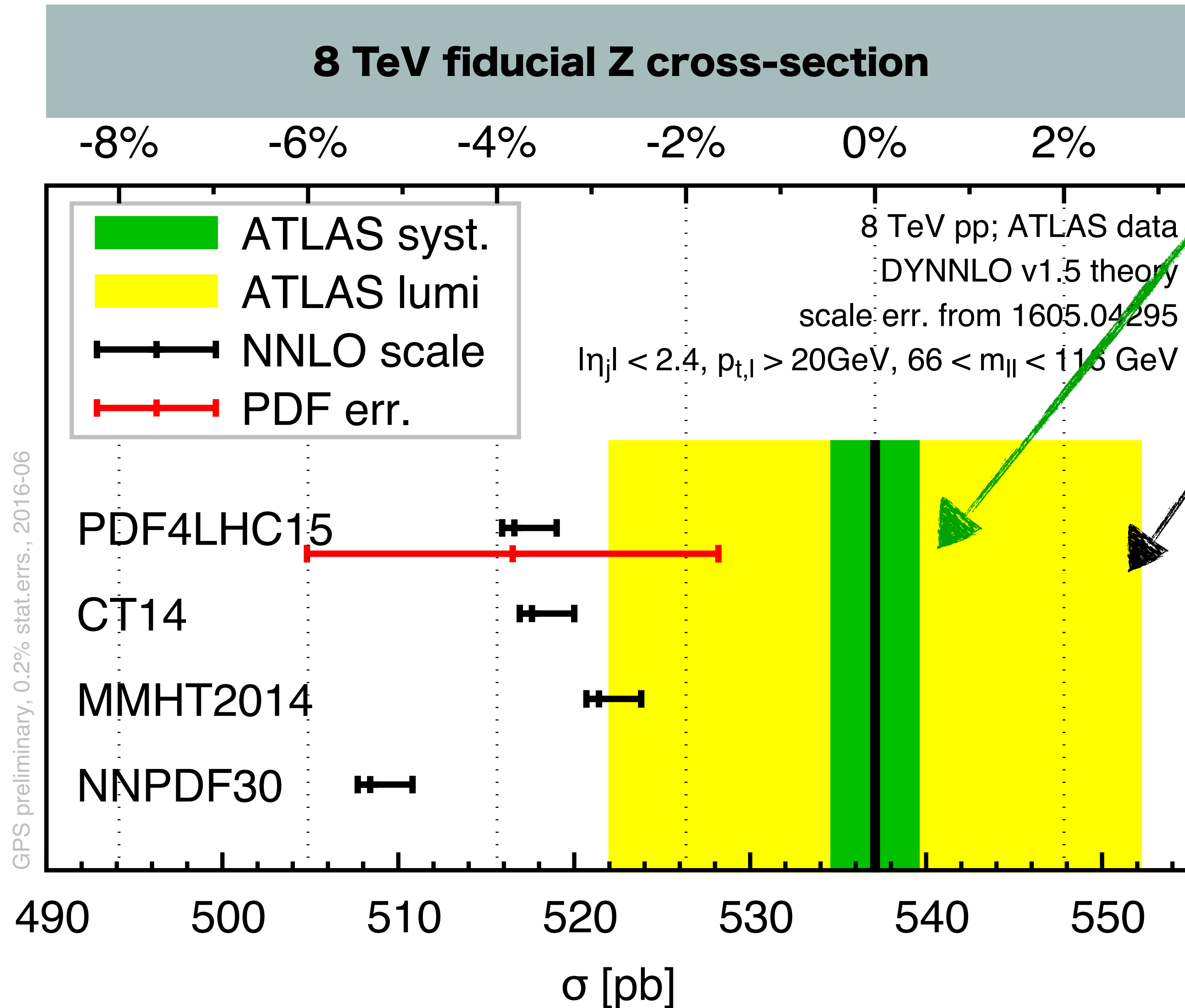
*arXiv:1605.04295*

ATLAS  $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$   
 $0 < |y^Z| < 2.4$



**NNLO ~ ±1.5 %**

# There are, however, issues. Notably in Z production



$\pm 0.45\%$  syst.

$\times 6$

$\pm 2.8\%$  lumi

Up to 5% discrepancy with data

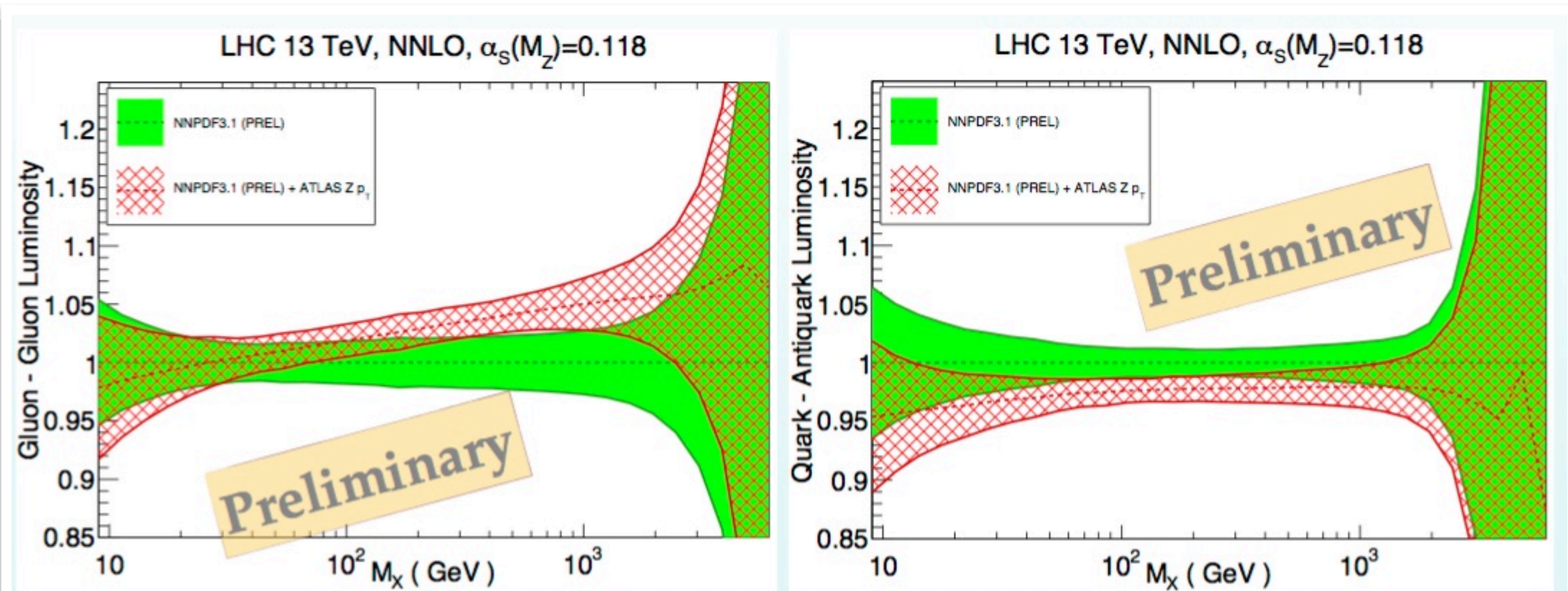
Experimental progress on luminosity determination may be the **keystone** for precision physics at LHC.

Are there hardware changes to HL-LHC that could help with lumi determination?



# Impact of Z $p_T$ spectrum on PDF fits

Preliminary NNPDF3.1 NNLO fits suggest a sizeable impact of the LHC Z  $p_T$  data on the PDFs



Including the LHC Z  $p_T$  data could be a **game-changer** in global NNLO PDF fits .....



# data-driven workarounds?

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*theory may have a hard limit*

*e.g. non-perturbative effects for cuts on jets*

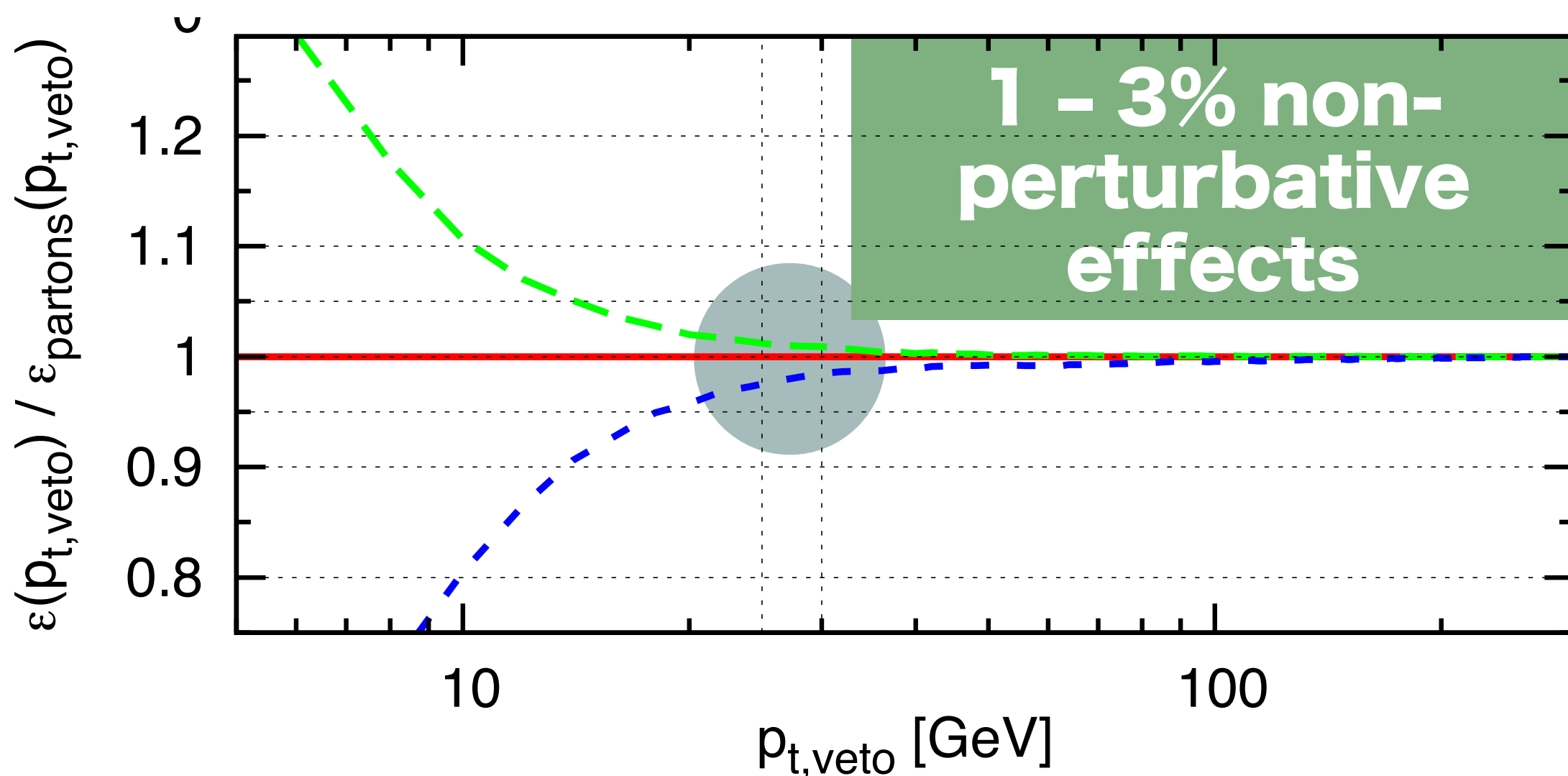
*& are there issues in data-driven workarounds?*



# E.g. jet veto efficiency for $H \rightarrow WW^*$

LHC 13 TeV	$\epsilon^{N^3LO+NNLL+LLR}$
$p_{t,veto} = 25 \text{ GeV}$	$0.539^{+0.017}_{-0.008}$
$p_{t,veto} = 30 \text{ GeV}$	$0.608^{+0.016}_{-0.007}$

**perturbative uncert: 1.5-3%**



*Banfi, GPS, Zanderighi 1203.5773*

*Anastasiou, Duhr, Dulat, Herzog & Mistlberger 1503.06056*  
*Boughezal, Caola, Melnikov, Petriello & Schulze 1504.07922*  
*Banfi, Caola, Dreyer, Monni, GPS, Zanderighi & Dulat 1511.02886*

**Measurements of  $H \rightarrow ZZ^*$  and  $\gamma\gamma$  can constrain this directly.**

**Run I:  $\sim 40$  evts. equiv.**

**HL-LHC:  $\sim 15k$  events equiv.**

**$\rightarrow 1\%$  uncertainties?**

*advocated notably by MLM*

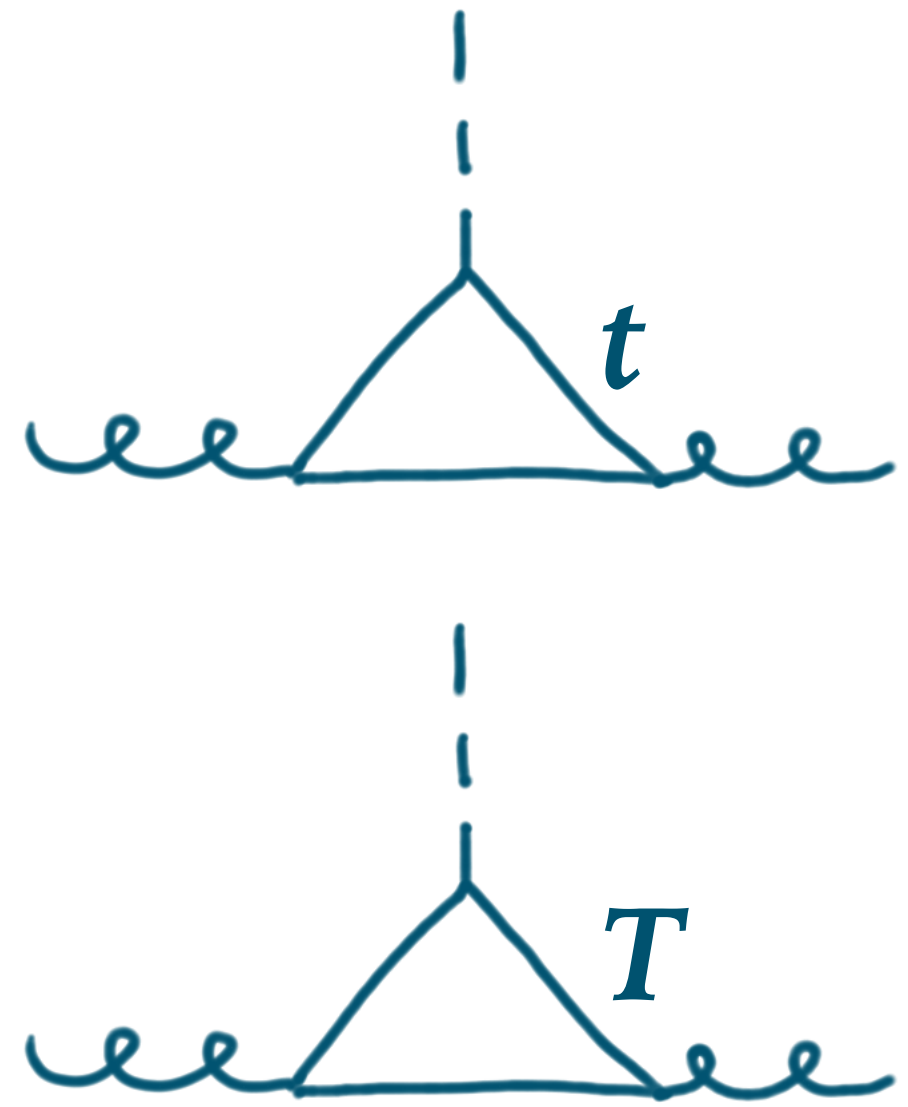
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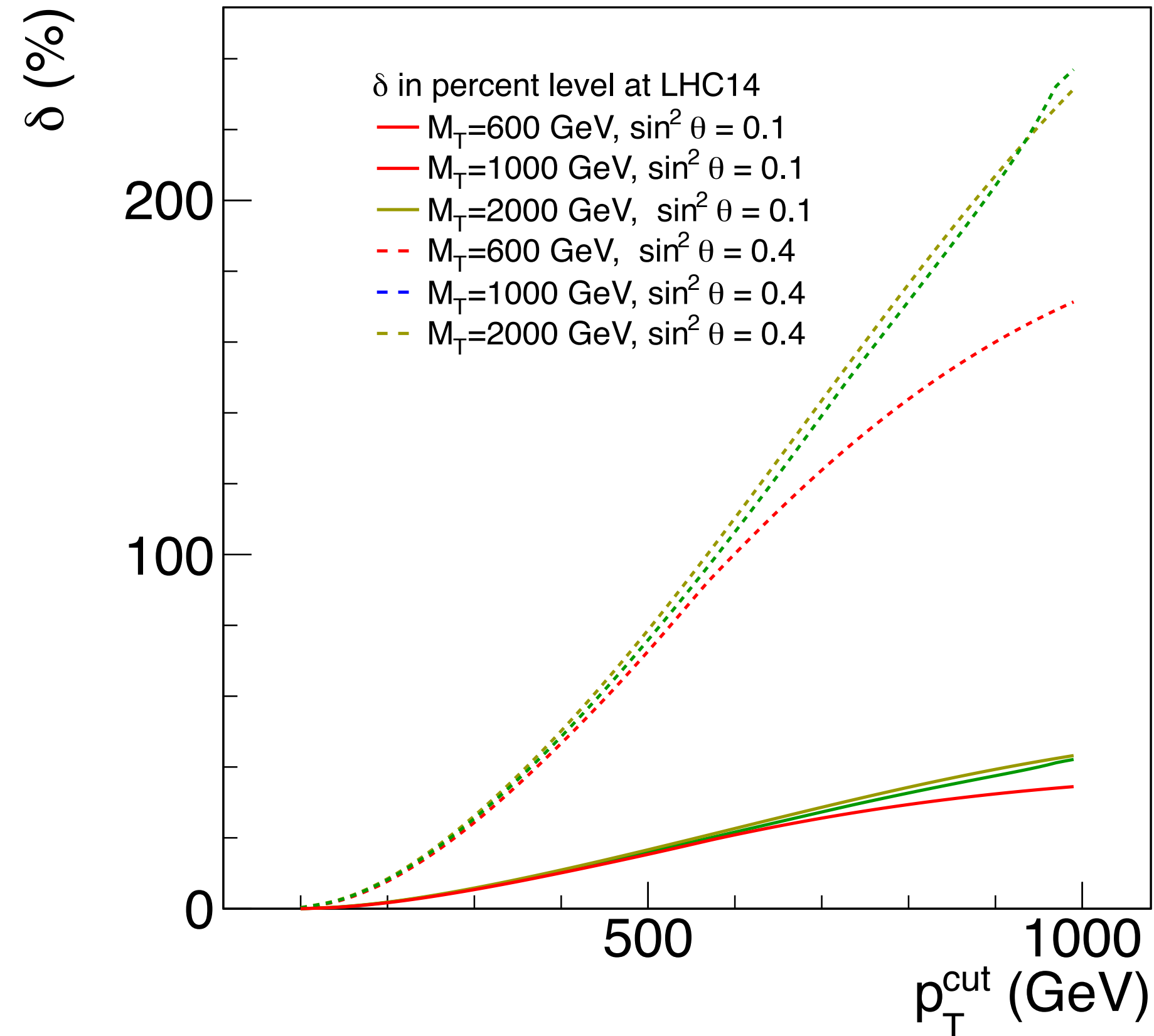
*equally interesting:  
off-shell Higgs*



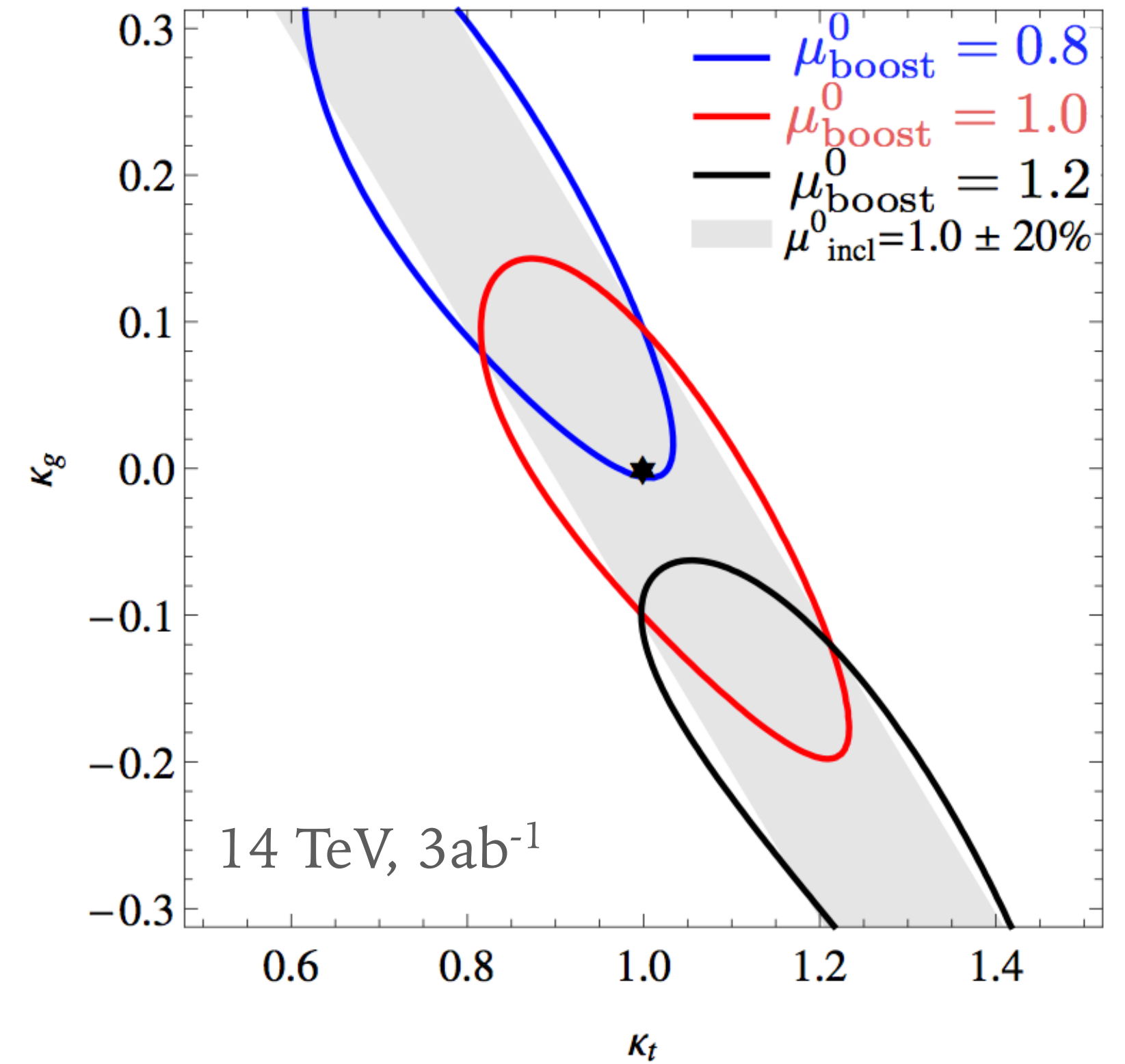
# High-pt Higgs (e.g. to distinguish $\kappa_g$ and $\kappa_t$ )



Structure of loops is best probed by going to high  $p_T$



A.Banfi, A.Martin, V.Sanz (2013)



C.Grojean et al. (2013)

see also Azatov, Paul (2013)

S.Dawson, I.Lewis, M.Zeng (2014)

**what are experimental prospects?**  
**are there any theory-issues to be solved?**

# VH PRODUCTION AT LARGE M(VH)

See also e.g.  
 Biekötter, Knochel, Krämer, Liu, Riva,  
 arXiv:1406.7320

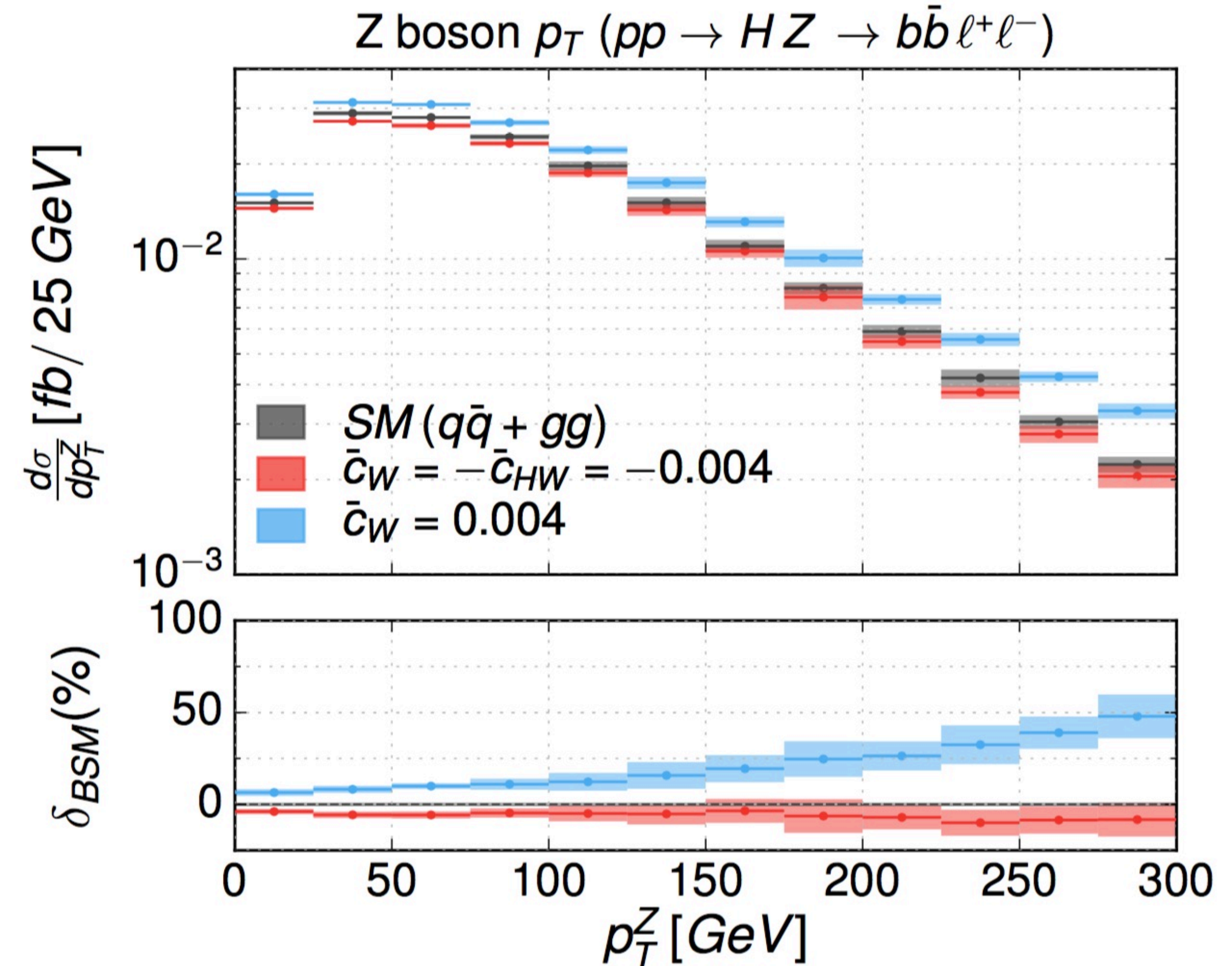
- Higher-dimension operators cause deviations that grow as, e.g.

$$\frac{\delta\sigma_{\text{dim-6}}}{\sigma} \sim \frac{p_T^2}{\Lambda^2}$$

- In some relevant range of  $p_T$ ,  $\Lambda$  value to which you're sensitive grows as

$$\Lambda \sim (\text{Lumi})^{1/4}$$

- that's faster than most direct searches (x100 in lumi  $\rightarrow$  x1.5 in reach for Z')

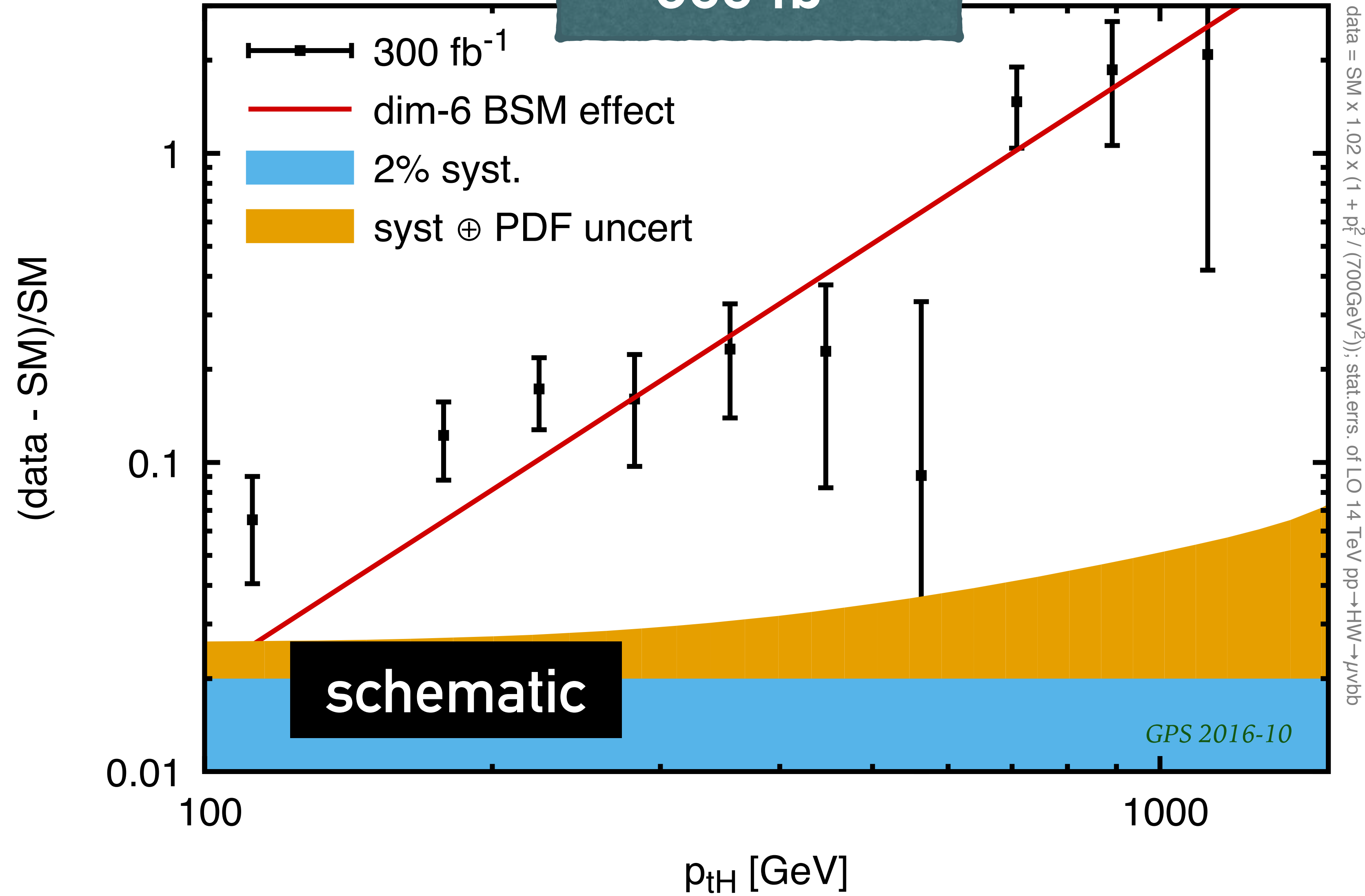


Mimasu, Sanz, Williams, arXiv:1512.02572v



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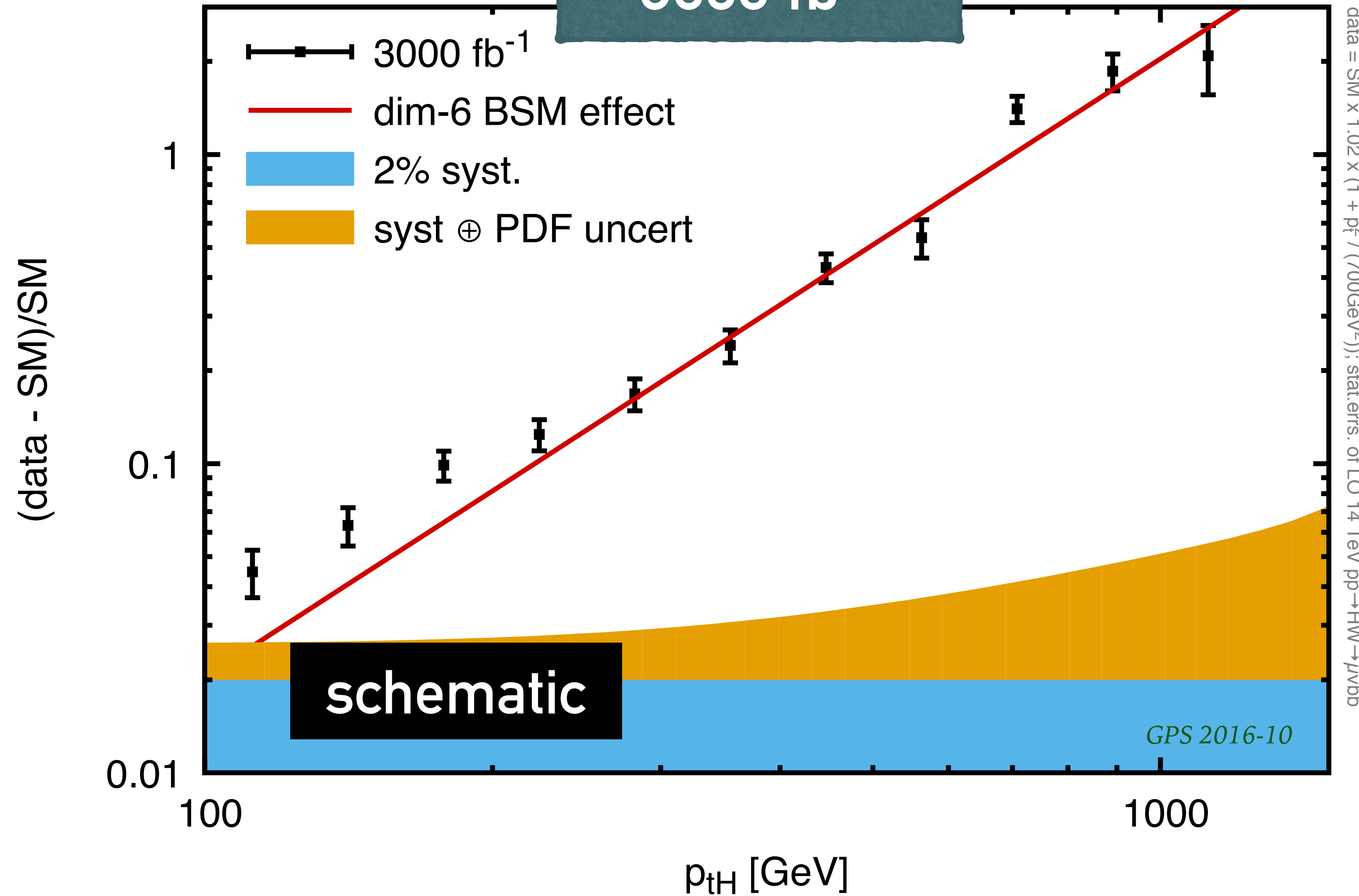
300 fb<sup>-1</sup>



data = SM x 1.02 x (1 + p<sub>tH</sub><sup>2</sup> / (700 GeV<sup>2</sup>)); stat. errs. of LO 14 TeV pp → HW →  $\mu\nu b\bar{b}$

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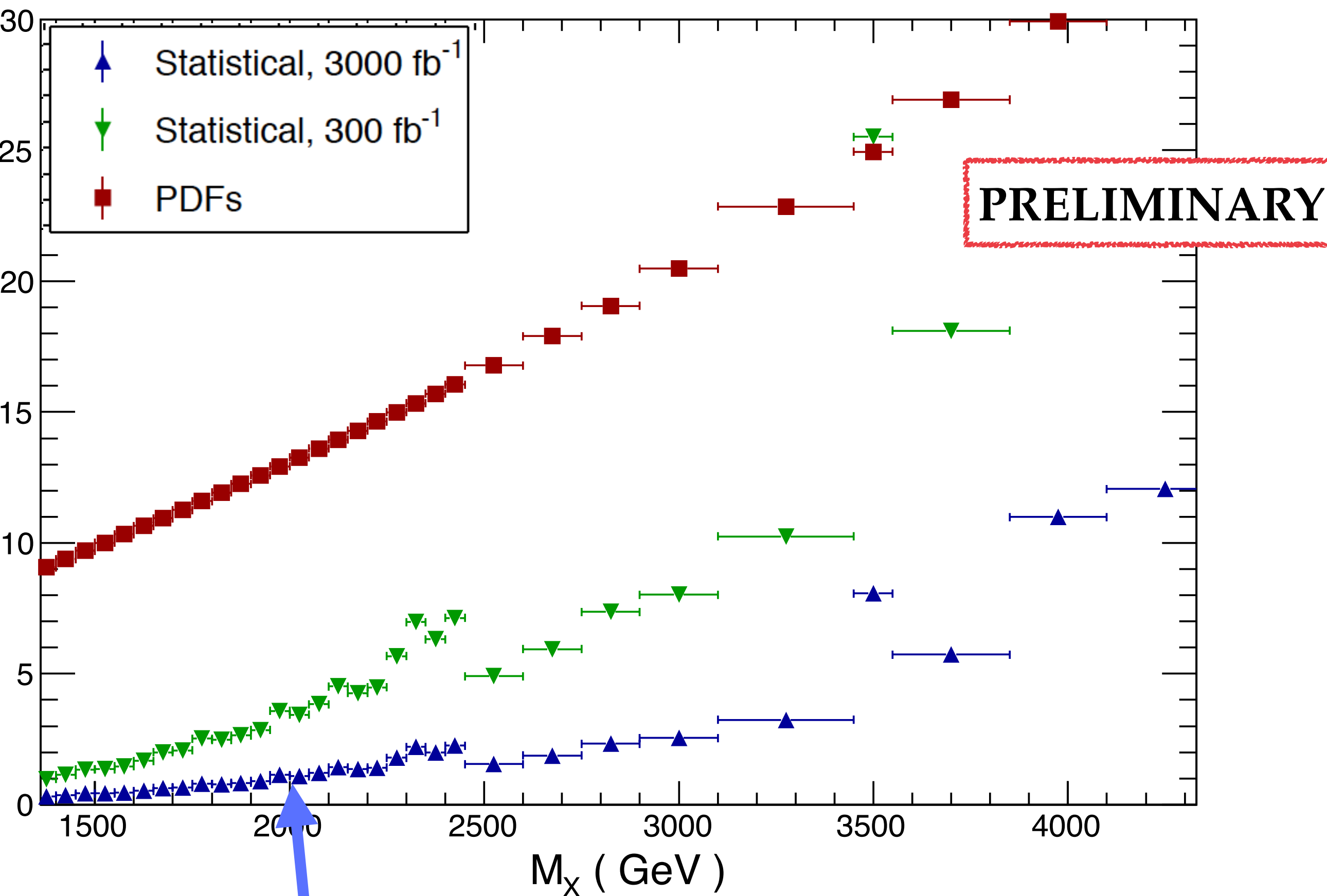
new physics isn't just a single number that's wrong (think  $g-2$ )

but rather a **distinct scaling pattern of deviation** ( $\sim p_T^2$ )

moderate and high  $p_T$ 's have similar statistical significance — so it's useful to understand whole  $p_T$  range



## Top quark pair, CMC-PDFs, LHC 14 TeV



Juan Rojo

HL-LHC workshop, CERN, 13/05/2015

**At HL-LHC, Statistical errors on  $t\bar{t}$  production will be  $< 1\%$  up to  $M_{t\bar{t}} \sim 2 \text{ TeV}$**

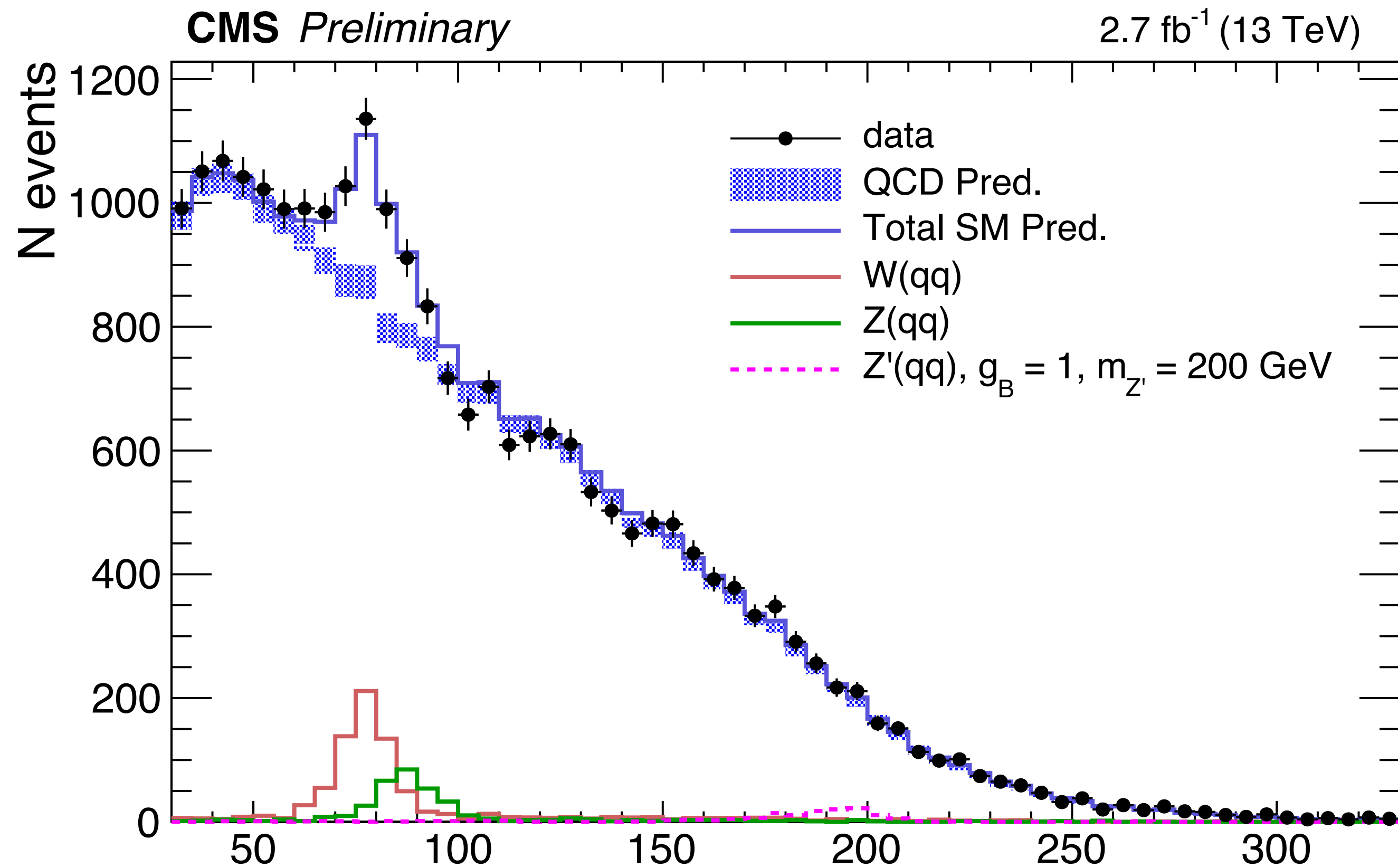
## IN THE FUTURE?

- high-pt W, Z
- high-mass Drell-Yan
- high-mass  $t\bar{t}$

Will all be at  $\sim 1\%$  statistical level up to and even beyond the TeV scale.

With leptonic final states, there's a chance systematic errors may also be  $< 1\%$ .

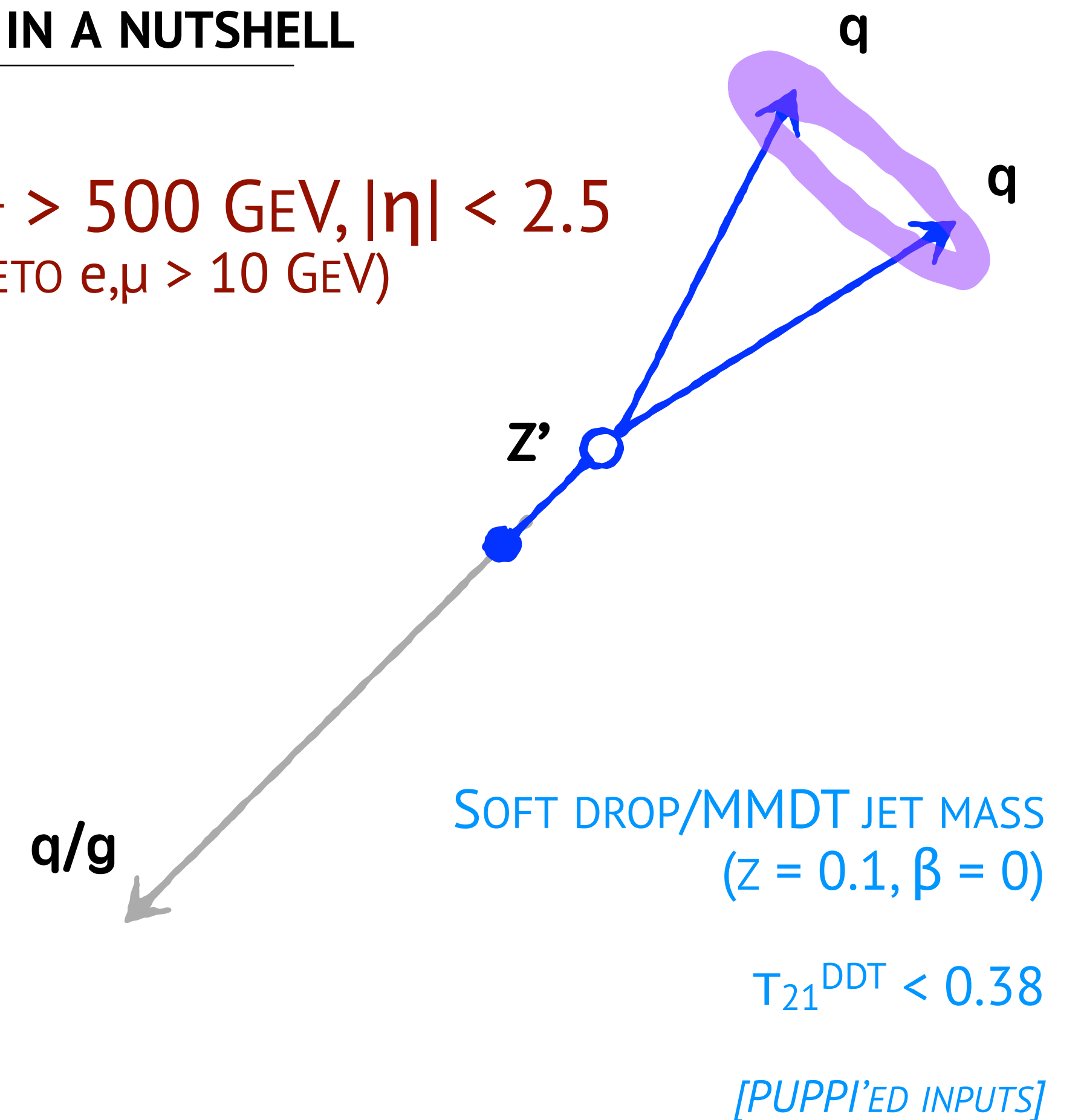
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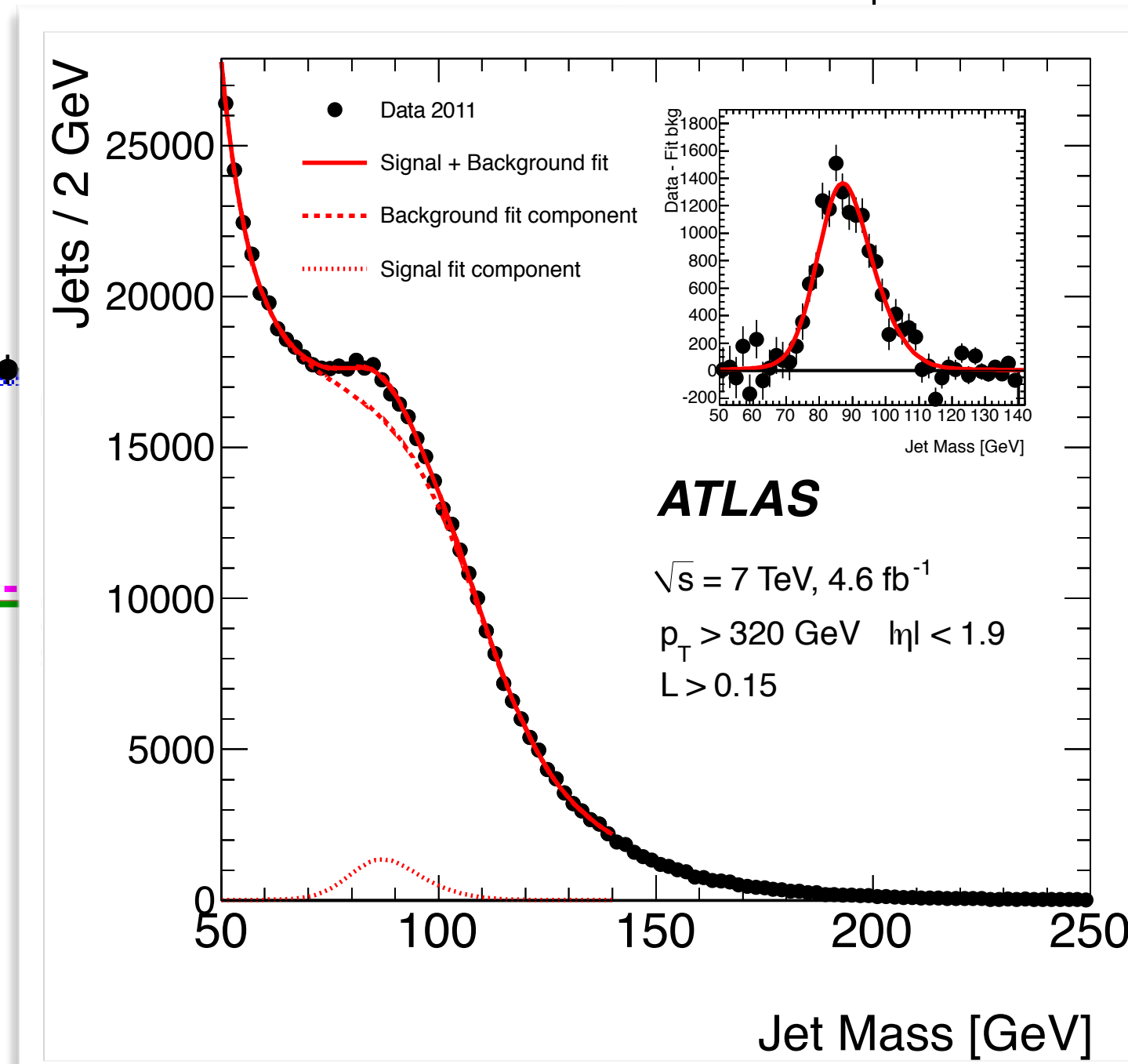
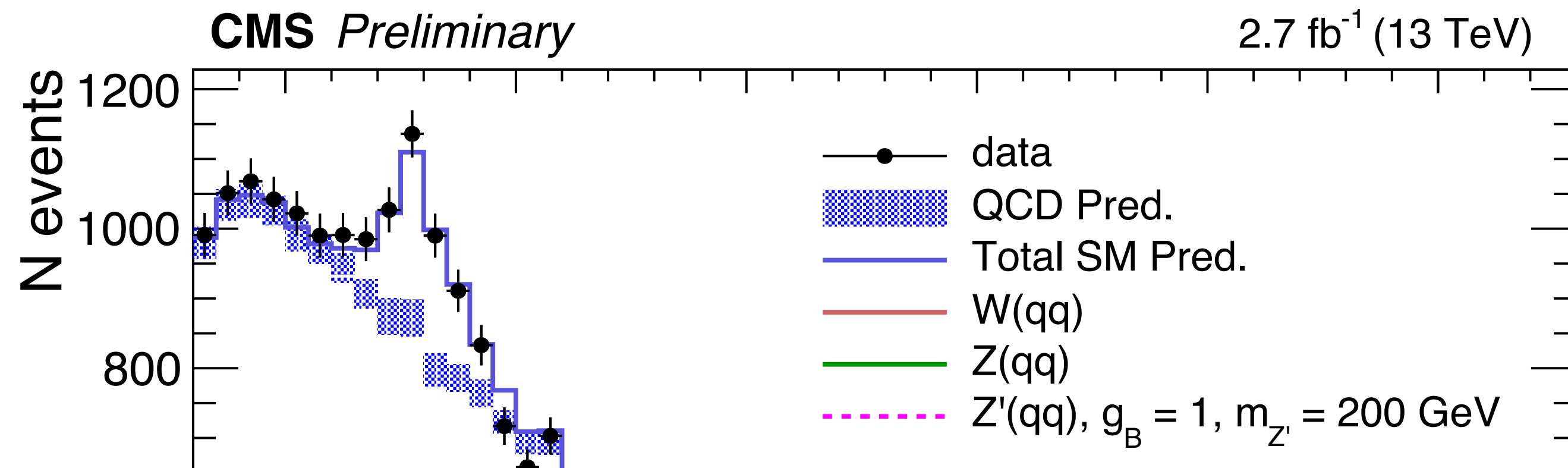
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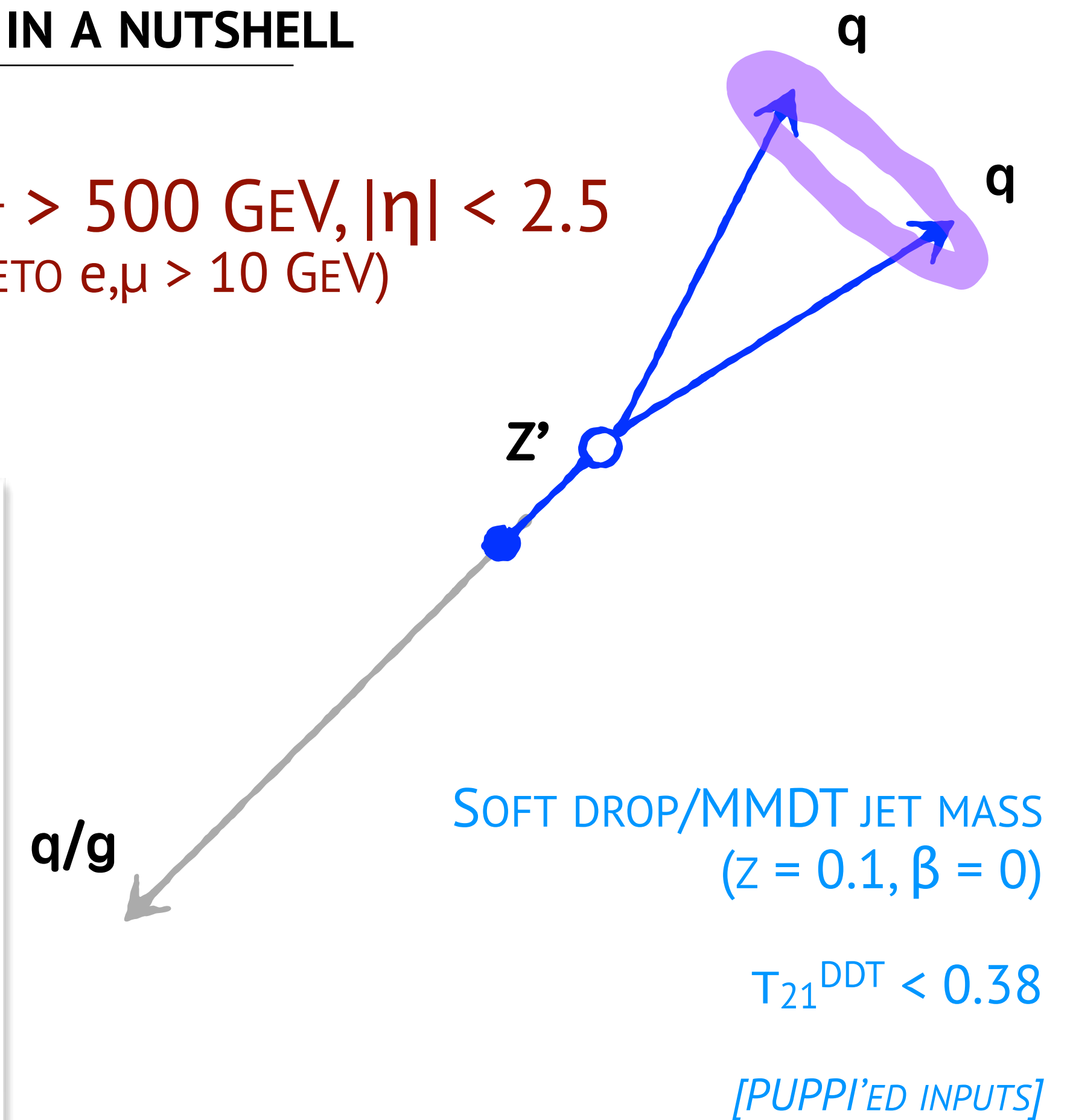


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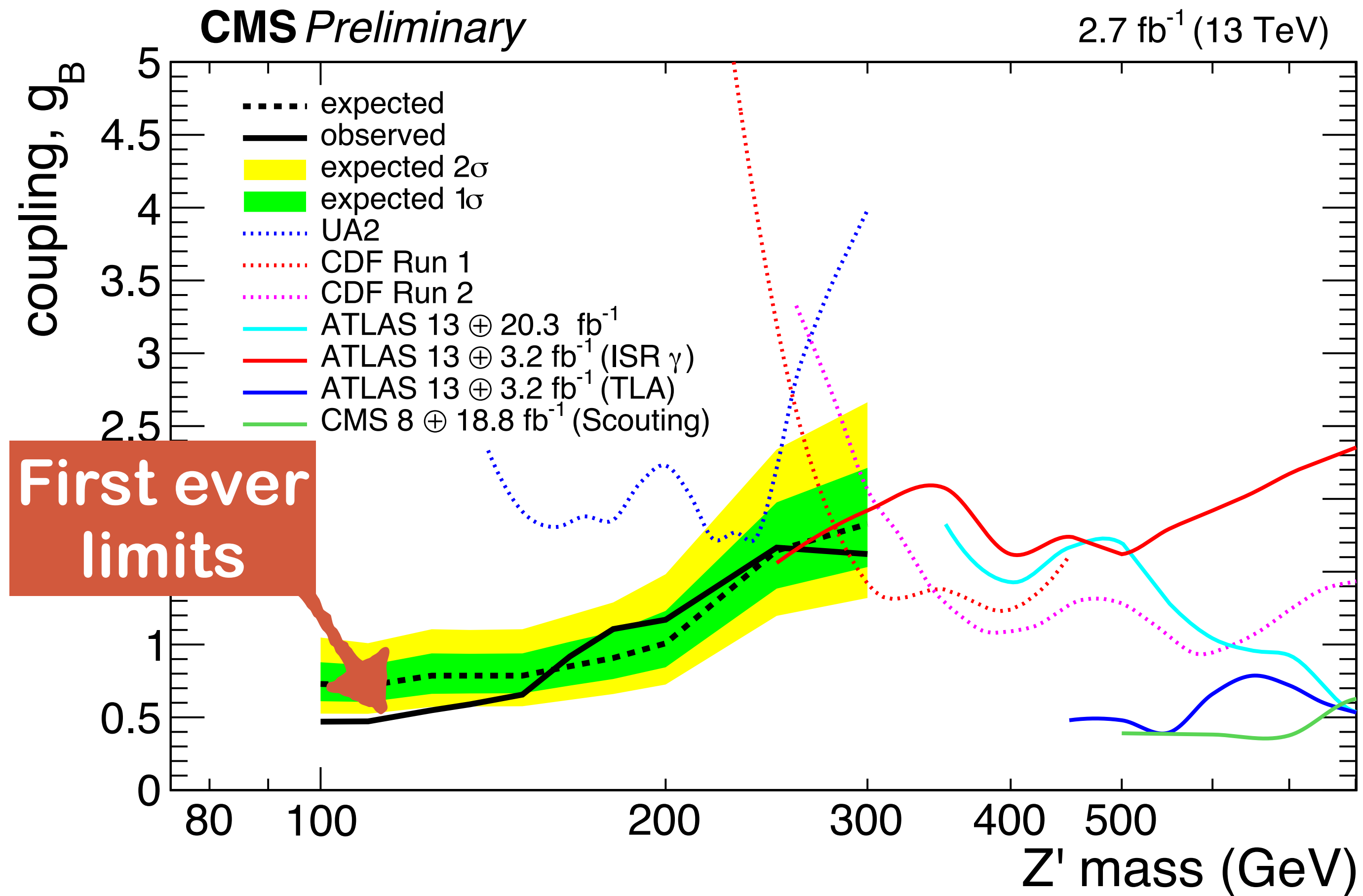
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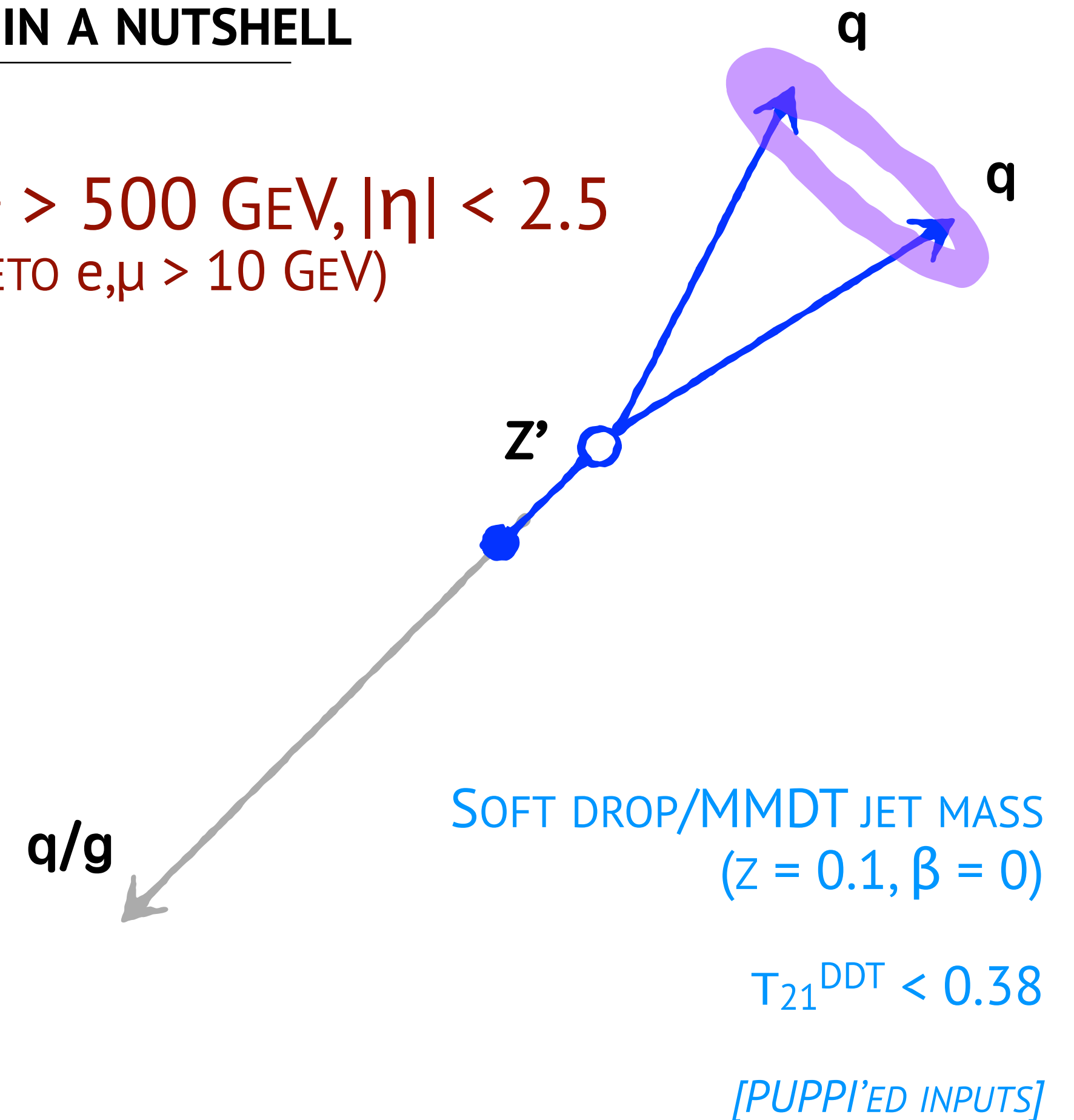
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**outlook**

# MESSAGES

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- Higgs sector is unlike any other that we've accessed experimentally
- Establishing its structure is a key part of our job as physicists
- One element involved is **precision**
  - Theory is already making big steps towards the HL-LHC precision goals
  - Ultimate goal might be  $O(1\%)$  — challenging, but now is time to start thinking about how we get there (PDF fits, exp. lumi determination, etc.)
- Other element is **distributions, e.g. high- $p_T$** 
  - BSM effects from high scales ( $\Lambda$ ) grow  $\sim p_T^2 / \Lambda^2$
  - Pattern of deviation over range of  $p_T$ 's provides clear signature of new physics

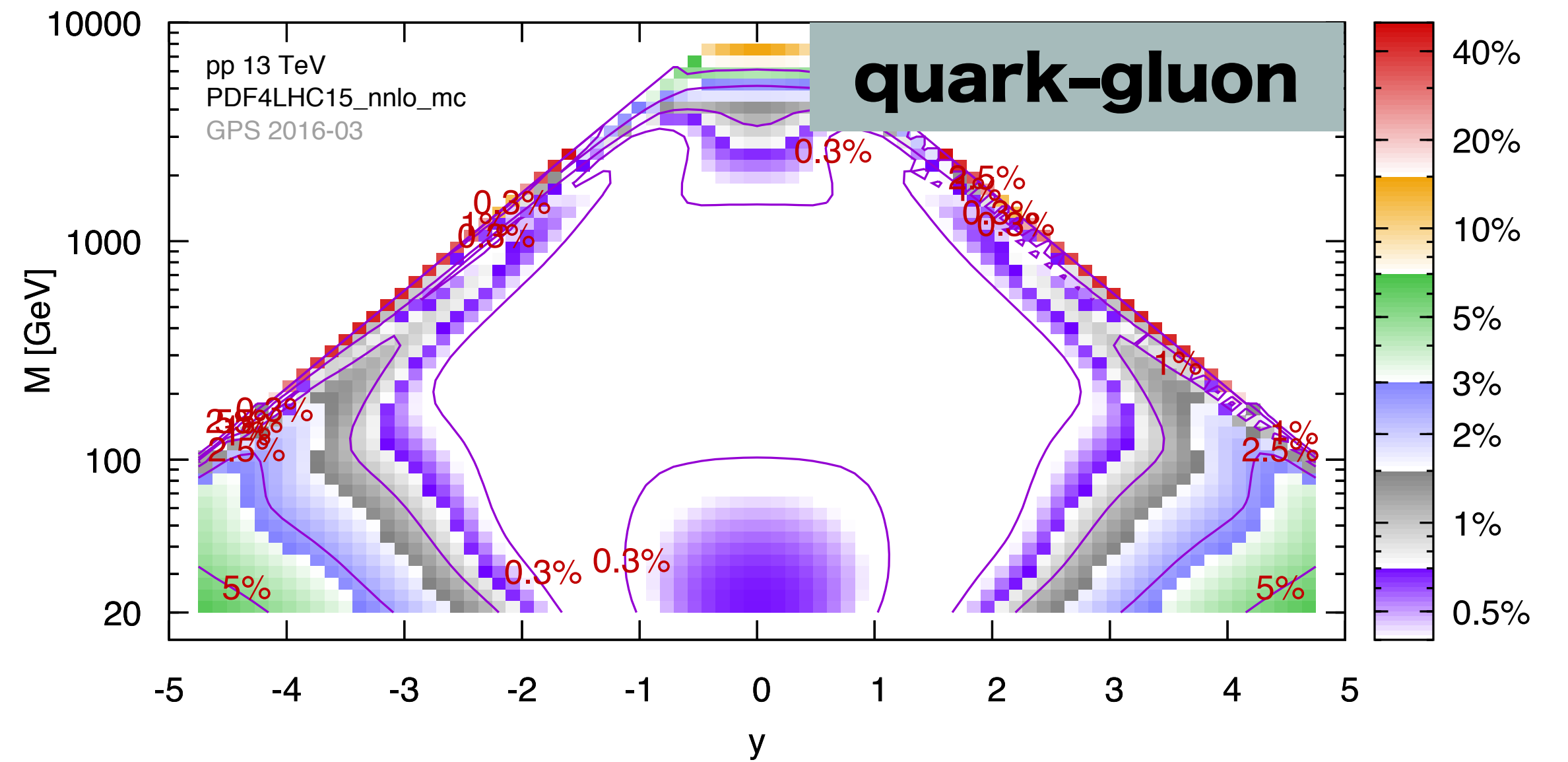


# EXTRA SLIDES

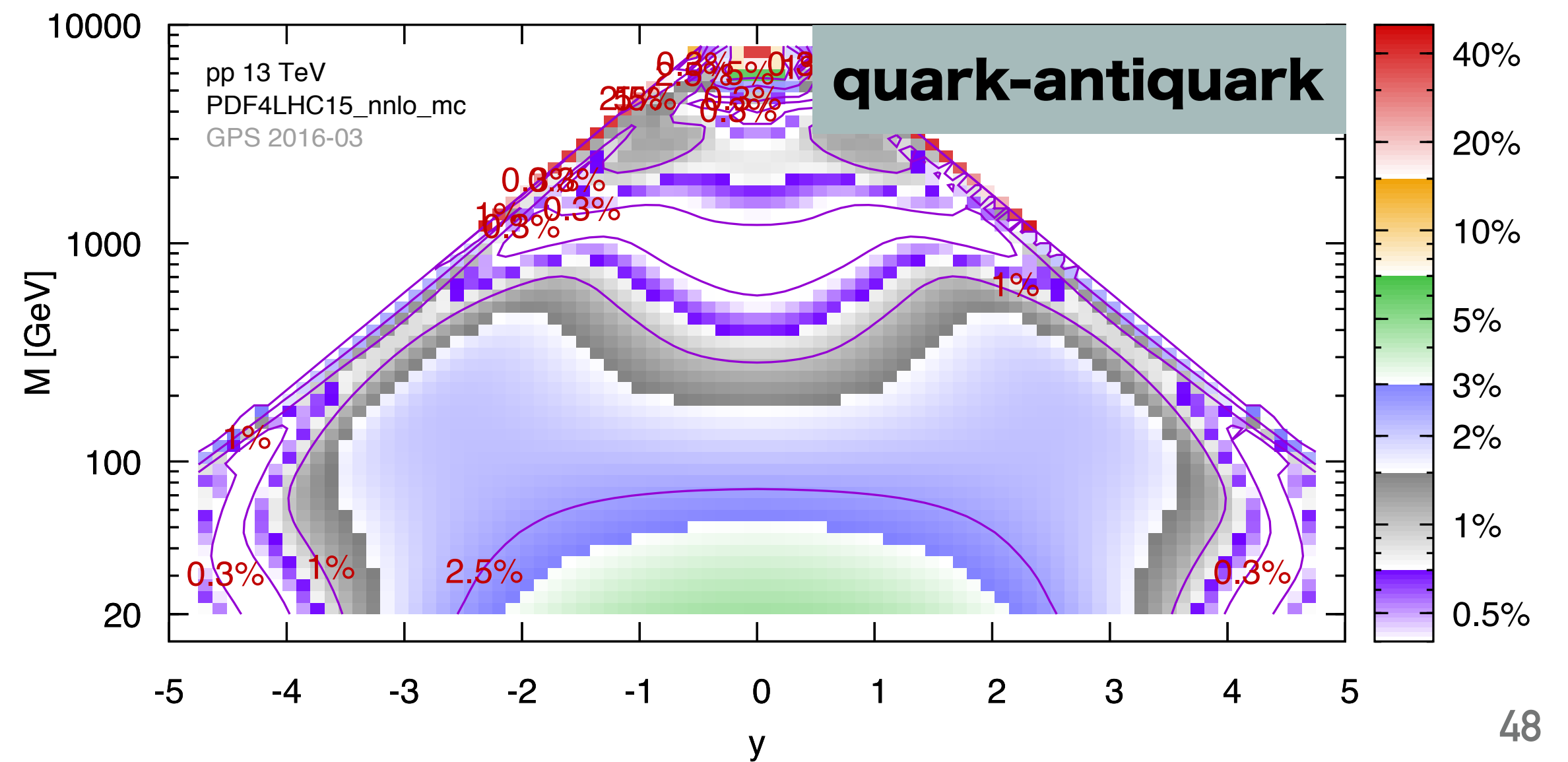
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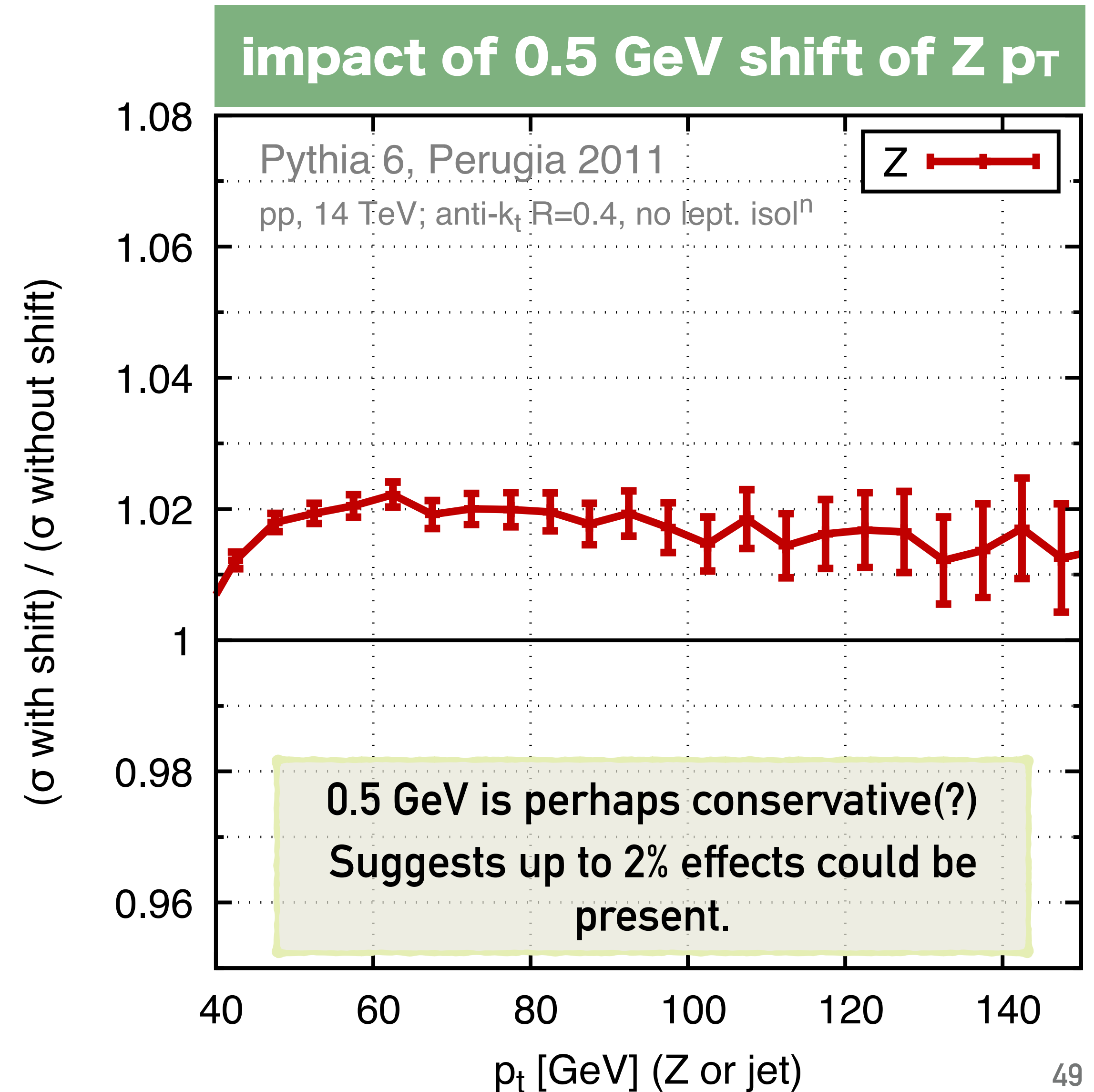
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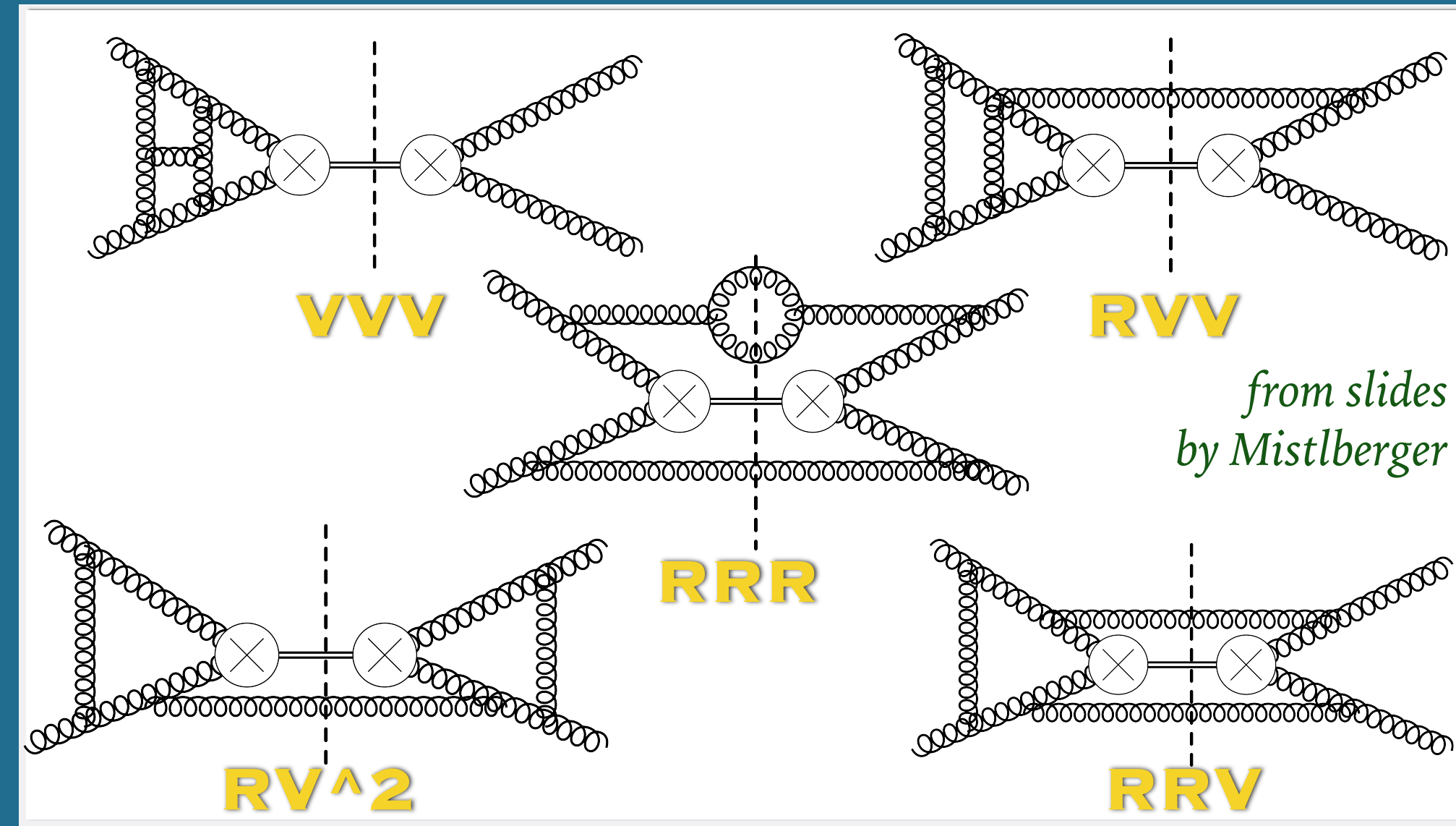
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The intention with this talk?

Start asking questions about what precision goals we might set ourselves, what obstacles we will meet, what techniques and measurements might help us progress

# REFS

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- ATLAS projections ATL-PHYS-PUB-2014-016
- CMS projections (snowmass): 1307.7135
  
- Current status — ATLAS/CMS combination note
  
- YR4 14 TeV numbers: <https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/LHCPhysics/CERNYellowReportPageAt14TeV>
- YR3 14 TeV numbers: [https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/LHCPhysics/CERNYellowReportPageAt1314TeV2014#s\\_14\\_0\\_TeV](https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/LHCPhysics/CERNYellowReportPageAt1314TeV2014#s_14_0_TeV)
- new ggF <https://arxiv.org/abs/1602.00695>
- ATLAS differential [1504.05833](#), CMS differential: ZZ [1512.08377](#) & gg [1508.07819](#)

# HIGGS TODAY & TOMORROW

Production process	ATLAS+CMS
$\mu_{\text{ggF}}$	$1.03^{+0.17}_{-0.15}$
$\mu_{\text{VBF}}$	$1.18^{+0.25}_{-0.23}$
$\mu_{\text{WH}}$	$0.88^{+0.40}_{-0.38}$
$\mu_{\text{ZH}}$	$0.80^{+0.39}_{-0.36}$
$\mu_{\text{ttH}}$	$2.3^{+0.7}_{-0.6}$

Decay channel	ATLAS+CMS
$\mu^{\gamma\gamma}$	$1.16^{+0.20}_{-0.18}$
$\mu^{\text{ZZ}}$	$1.31^{+0.27}_{-0.24}$
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$\mu^{\tau\tau}$	$1.12^{+0.25}_{-0.23}$
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*ATLAS-CMS Run I combination*

*In most cases, stat. errors  
are largest single source*

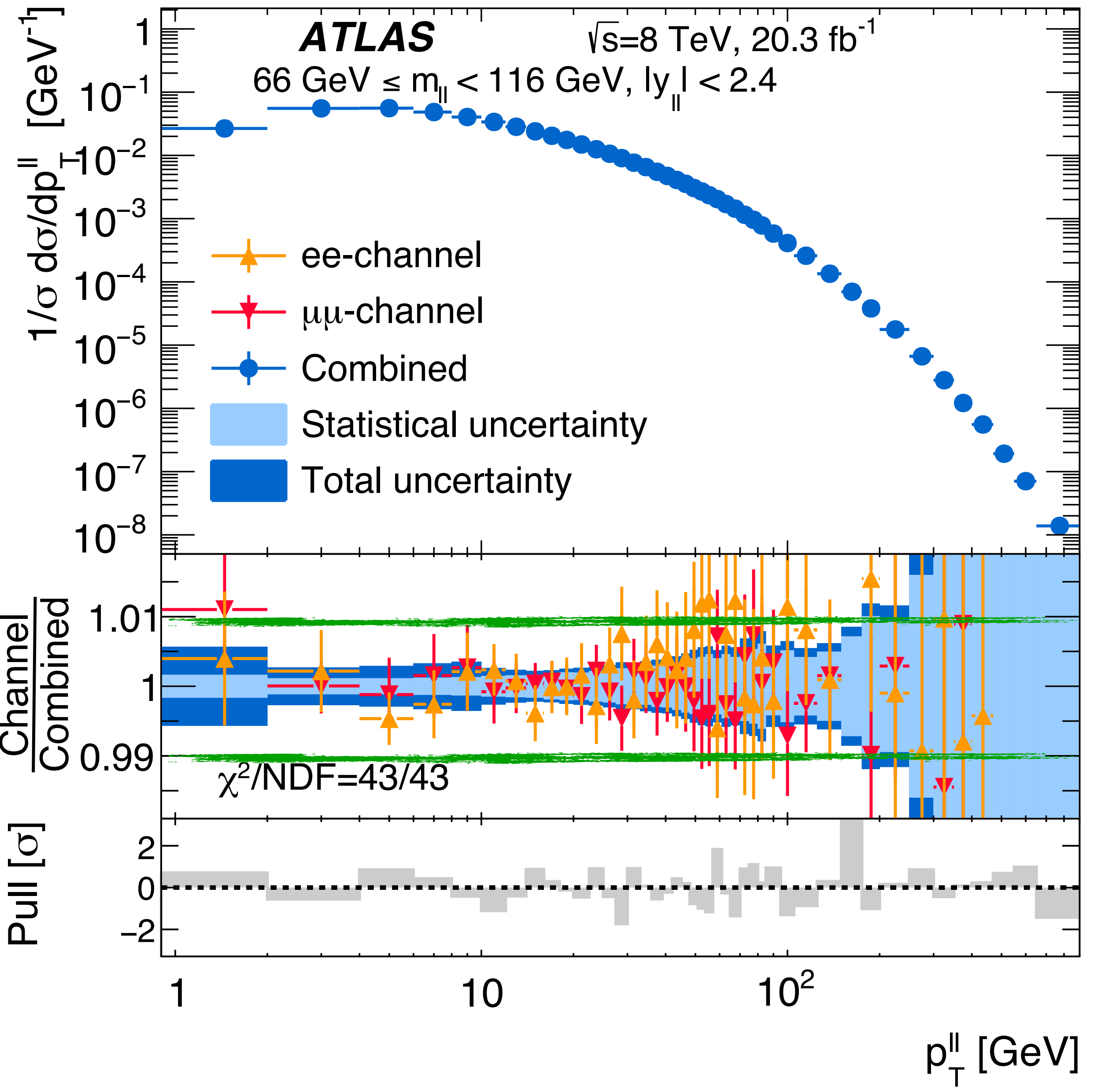
*Best channels  $\sim \pm 20\%$*

## HL-LHC prospects?

**x2.5 in cross section**  
**x150 in luminosity ( $\rightarrow 3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )**  
 **$\sim 400$  times more events**

**$\Rightarrow$  stat. errors in 1-2% range**





# WHAT'S POSSIBLE EXPERIMENTALLY?

Today's most precise results are perhaps for the Z transverse momentum

- normalised to Z fiducal  $\sigma$
- achieves  $<1\%$ , from  $p_T = 1$  to  $200 \text{ GeV}$

$\pm 1\%$

Ratio to total cross section cancels lumi & some lepton-efficiency systematics.

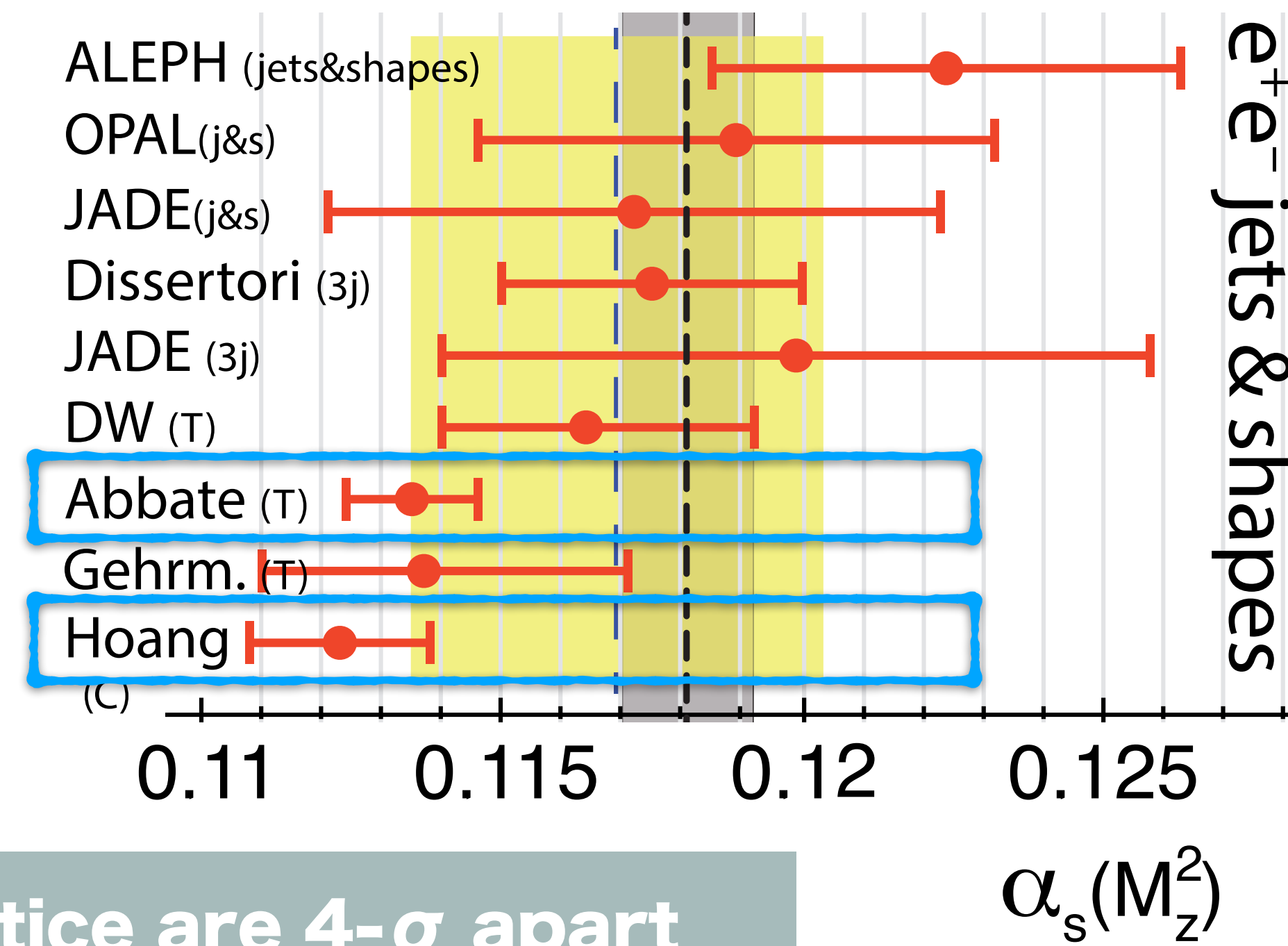
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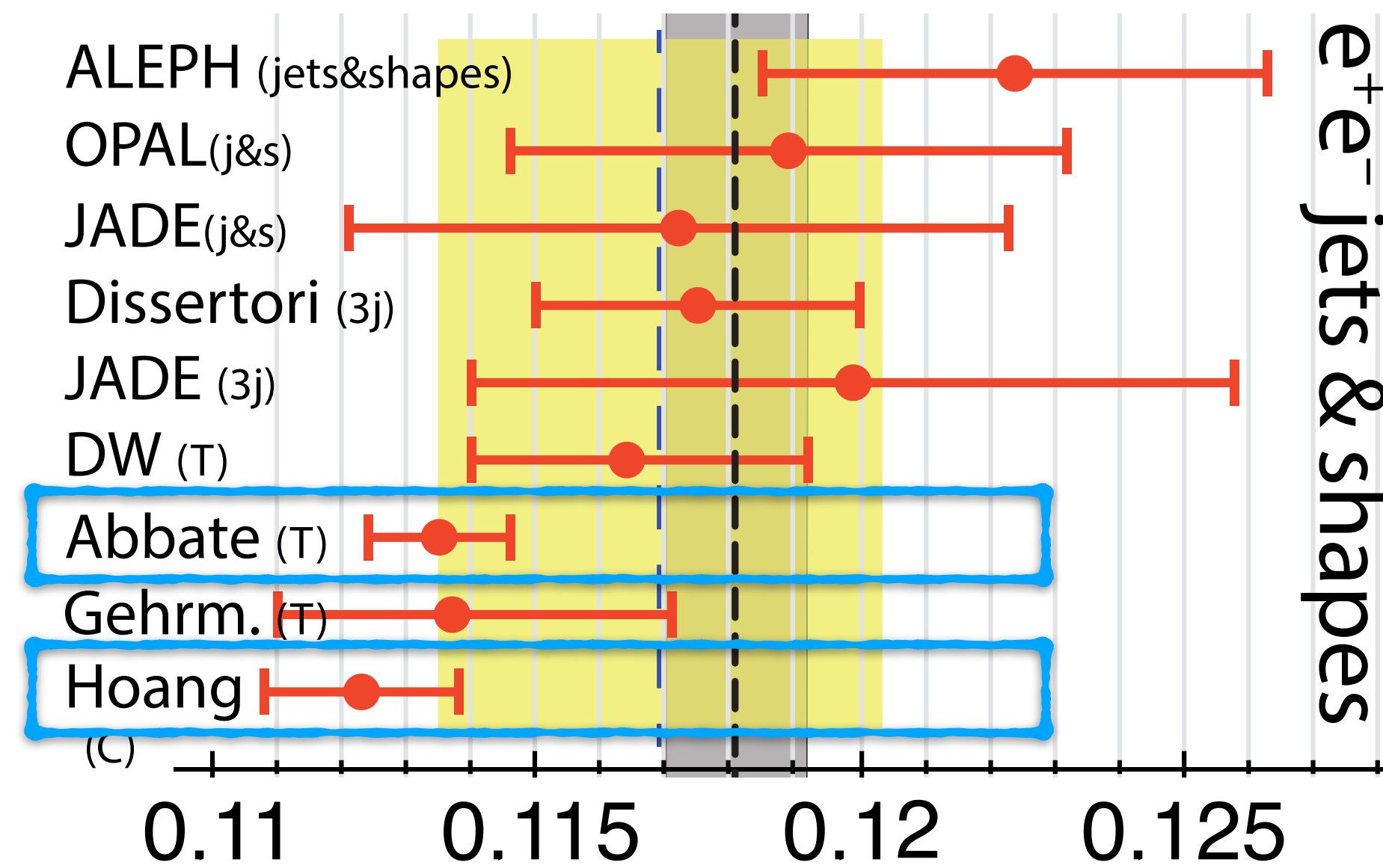
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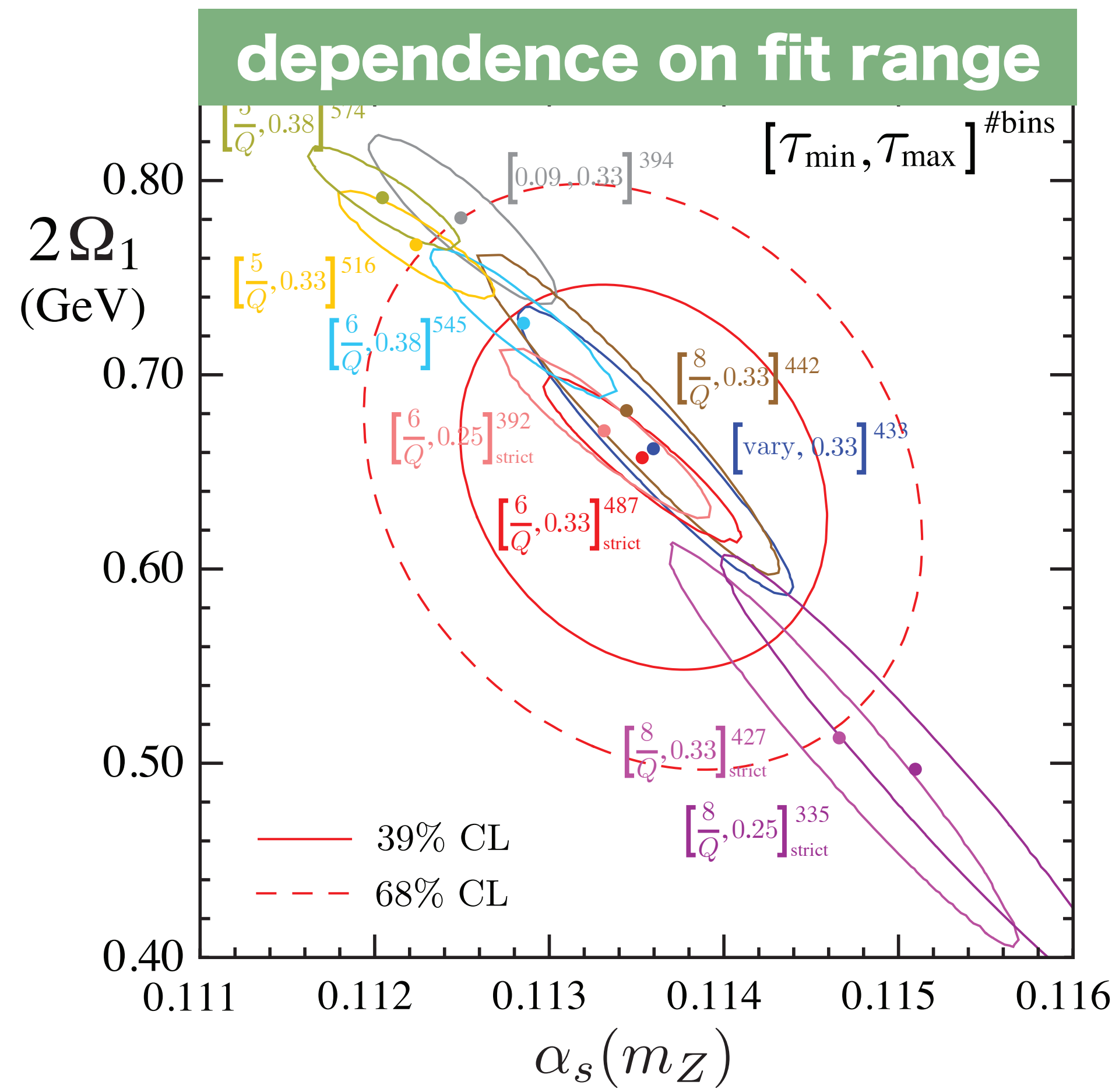
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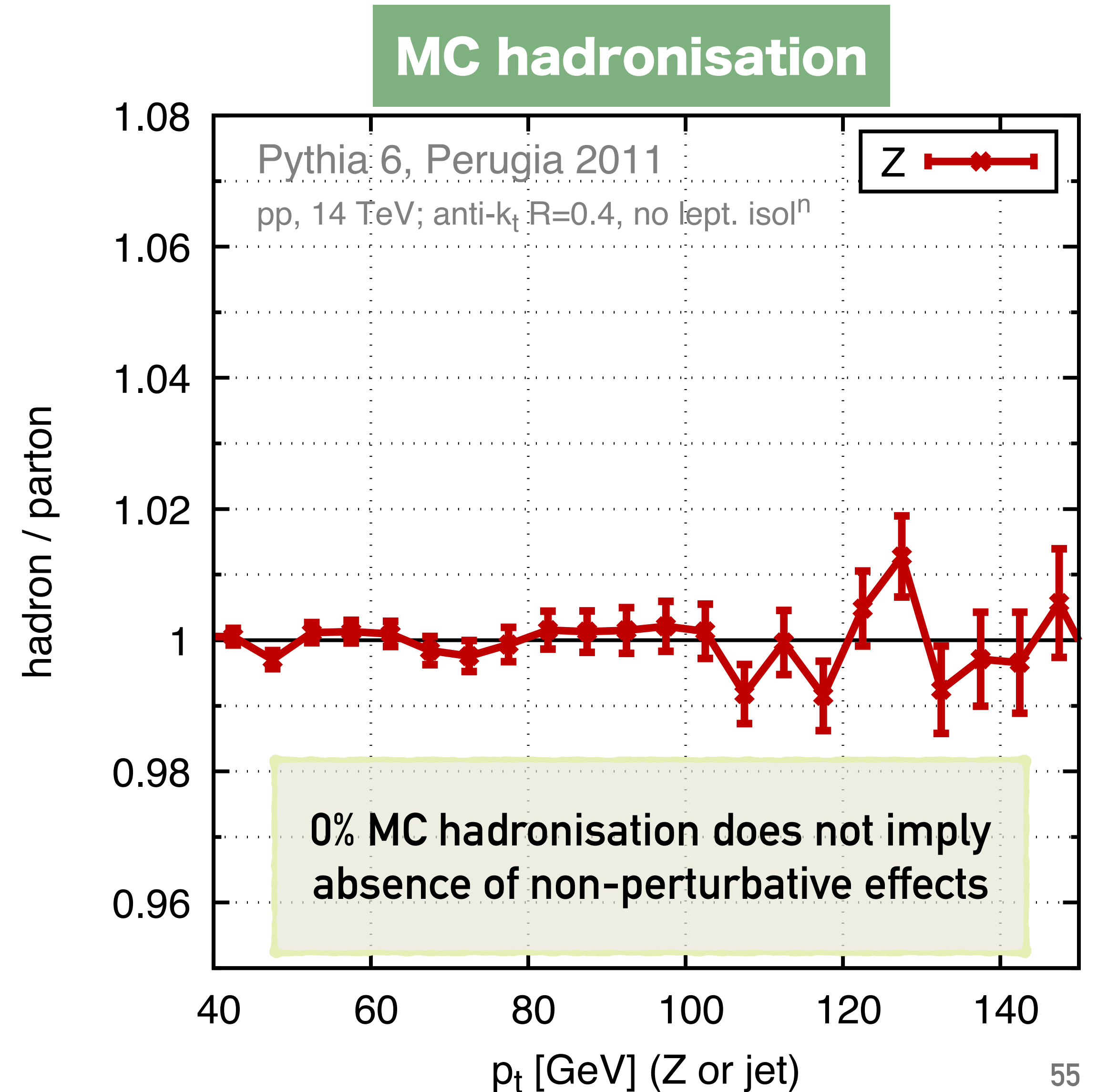
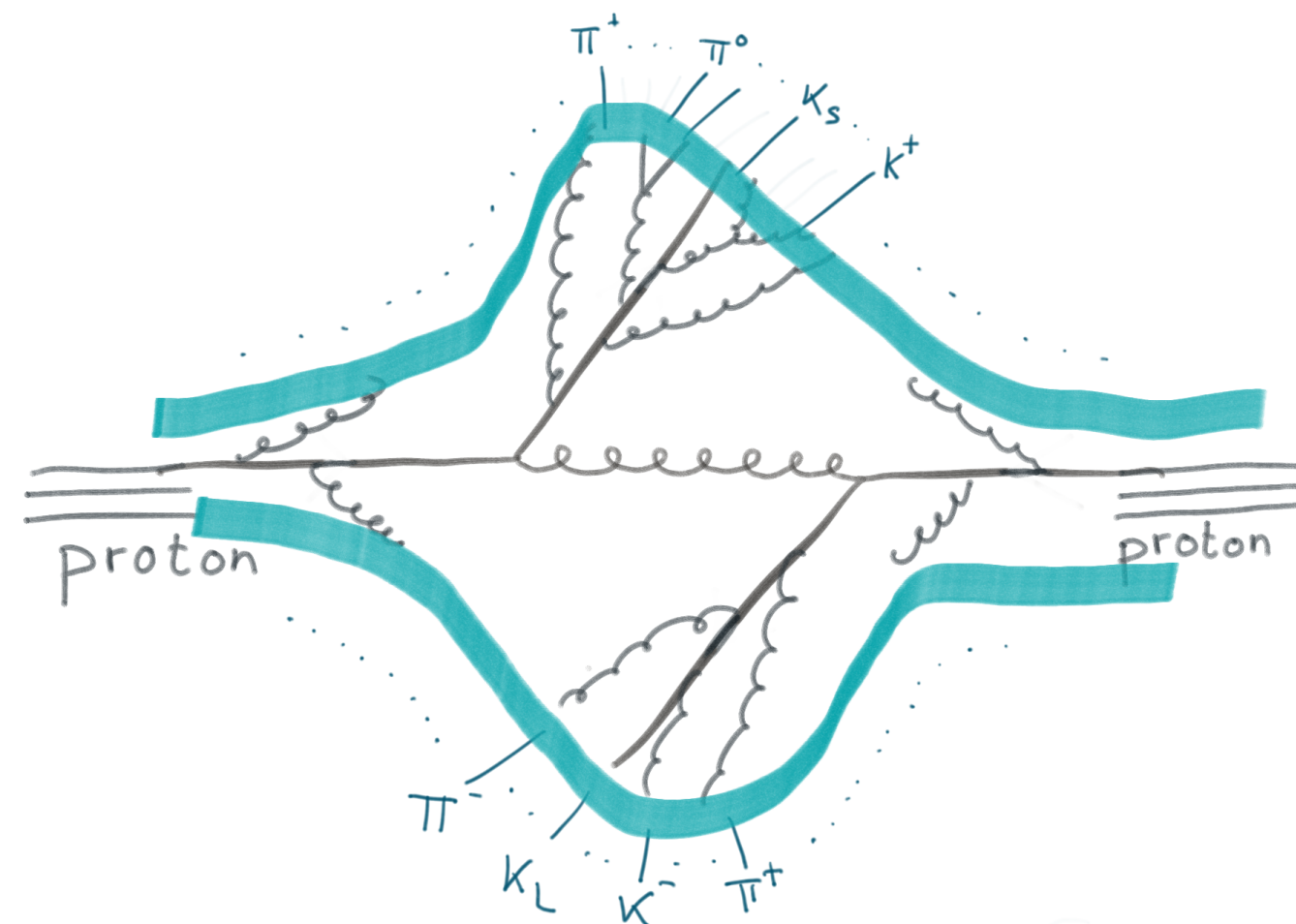
- thrust & C-parameter are highly correlated observables
- Analysis valid far from 3-jet region, but not too deep into 2-jet region — at LEP, not clear how much of distribution satisfies this requirement
- thrust fit shows noticeable sensitivity to fit region (C-parameter doesn't)





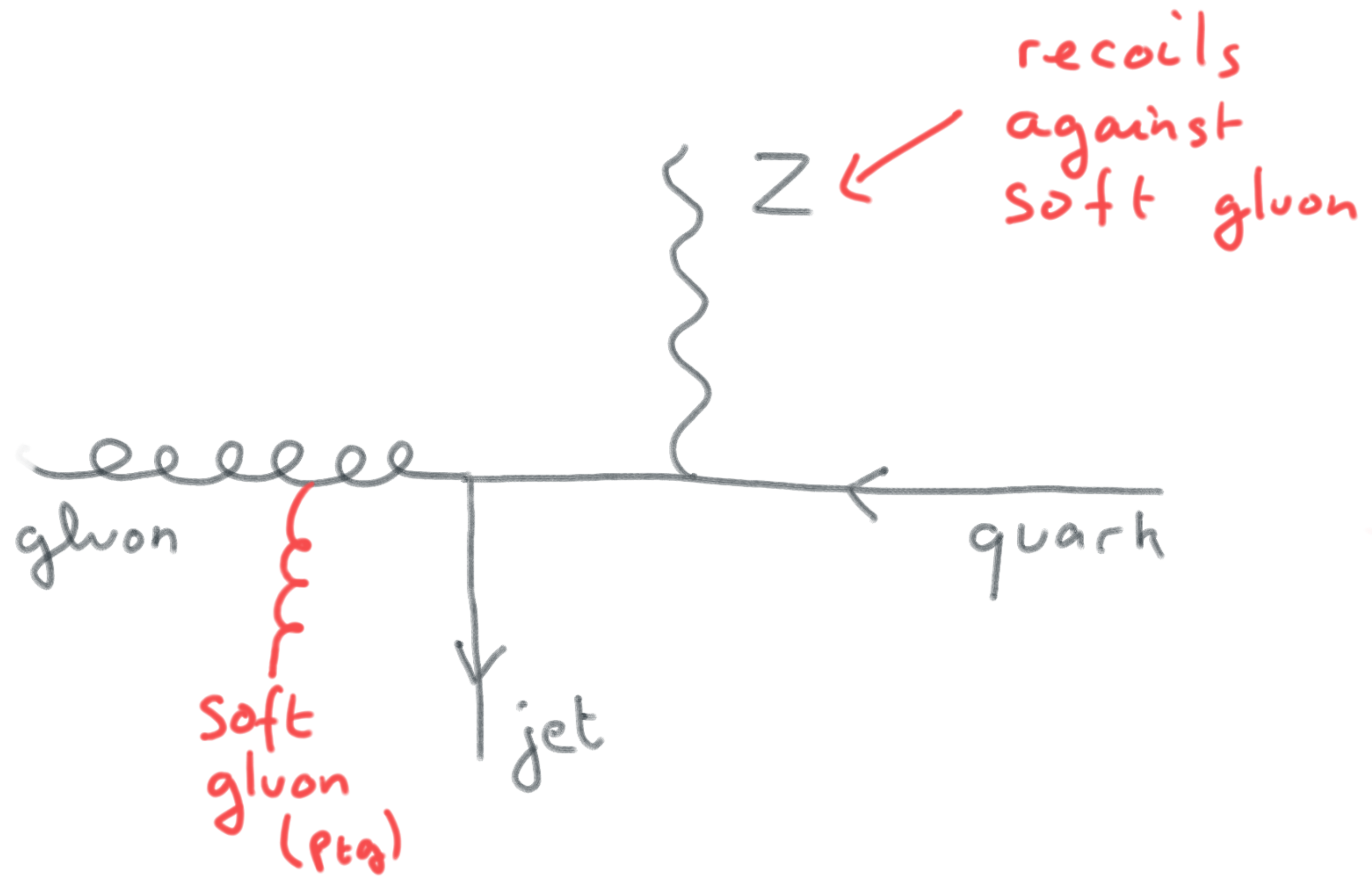
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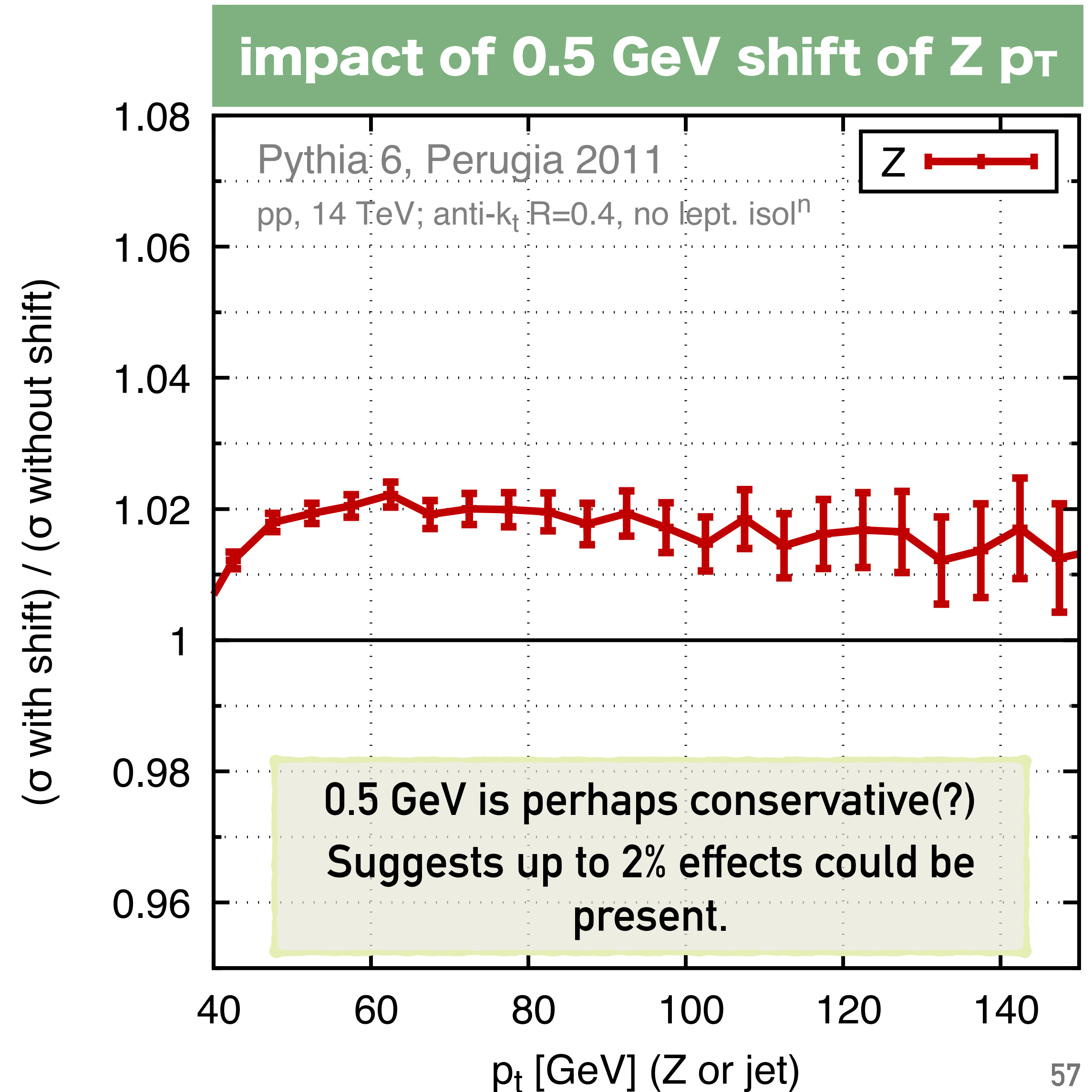
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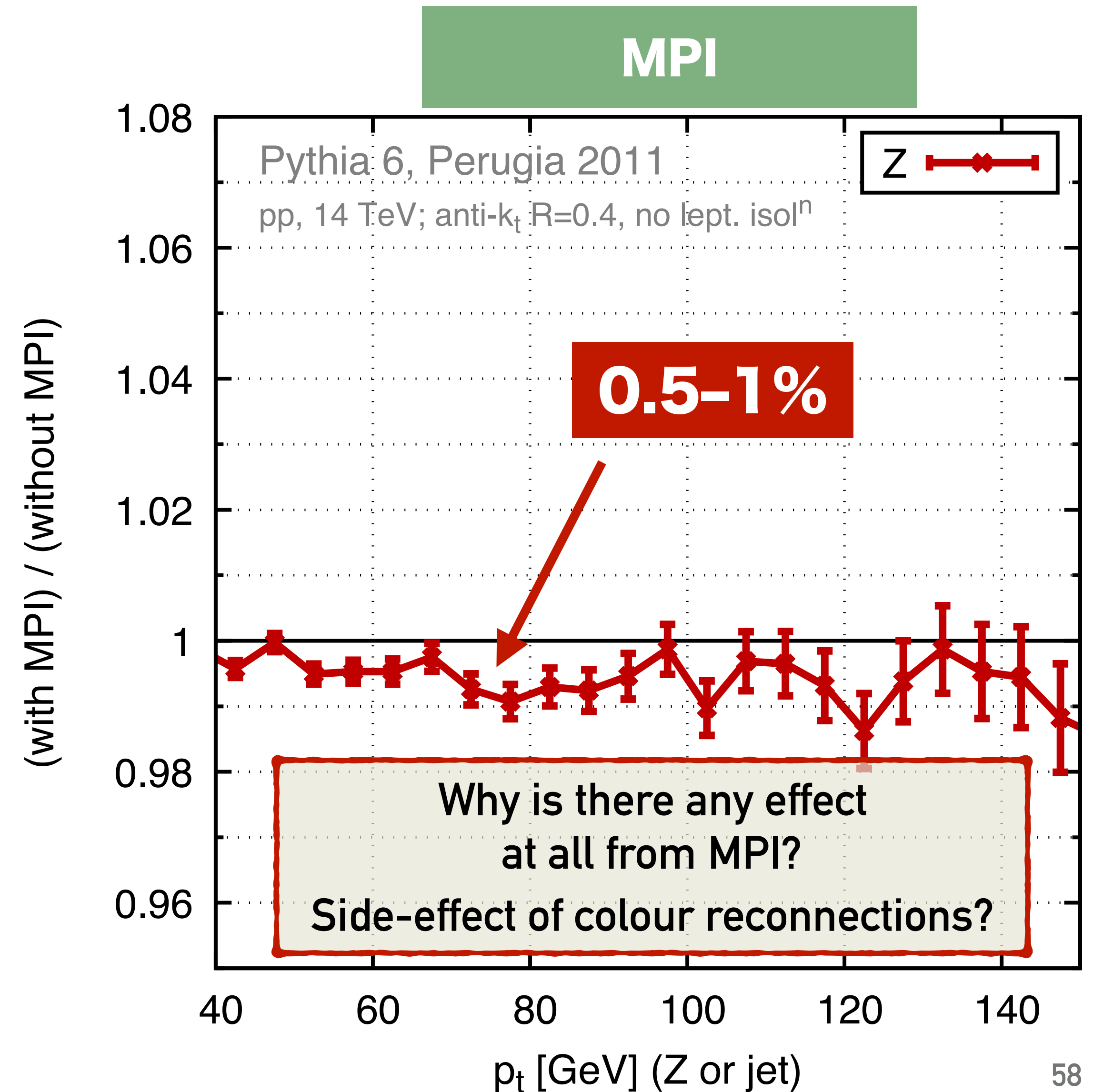
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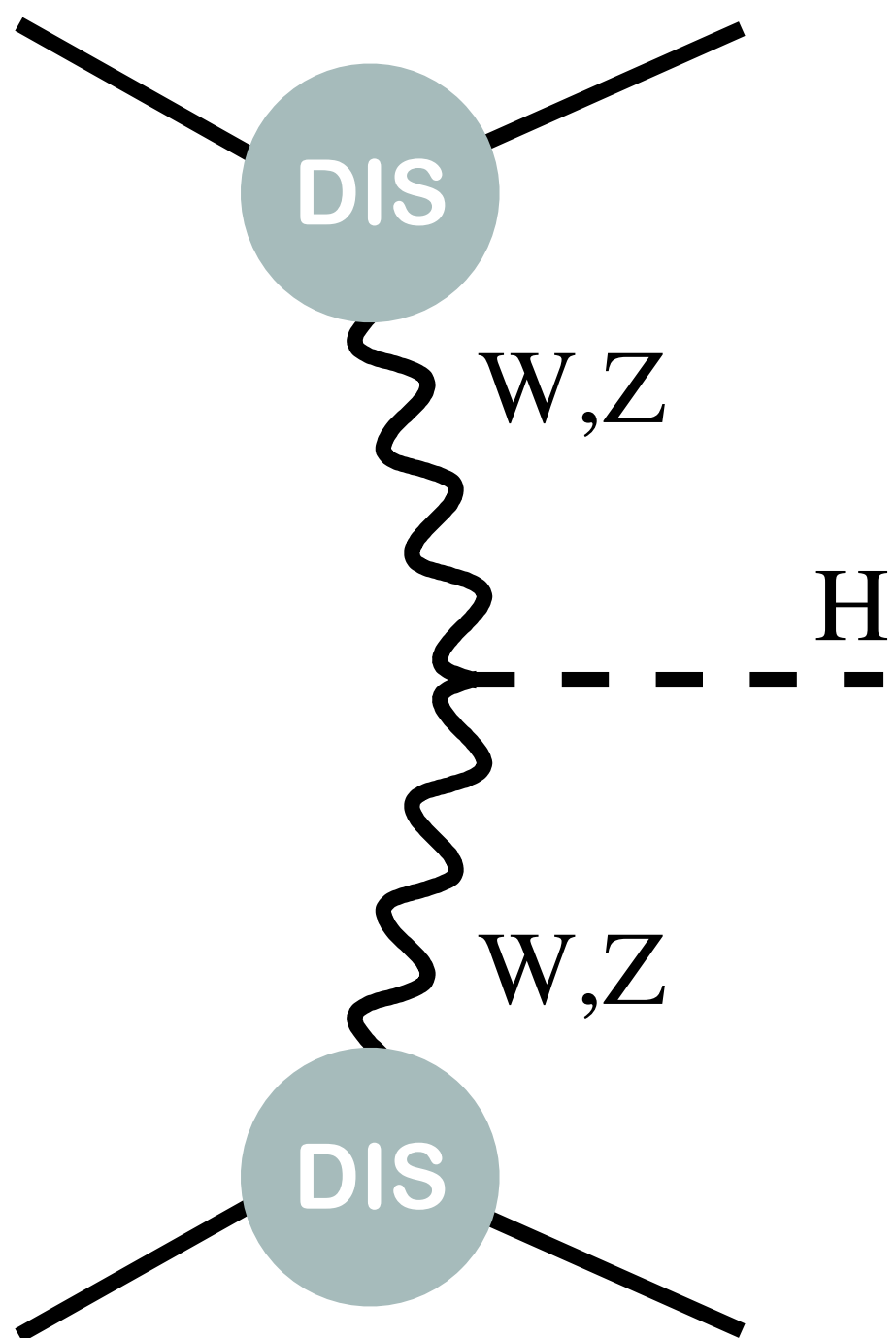
- Naively, you'd expect these are not correlated with  $Z p_T$  — but in at least one MC (Pythia 6) switching them on/off changes distribution by  $O(1\%)$



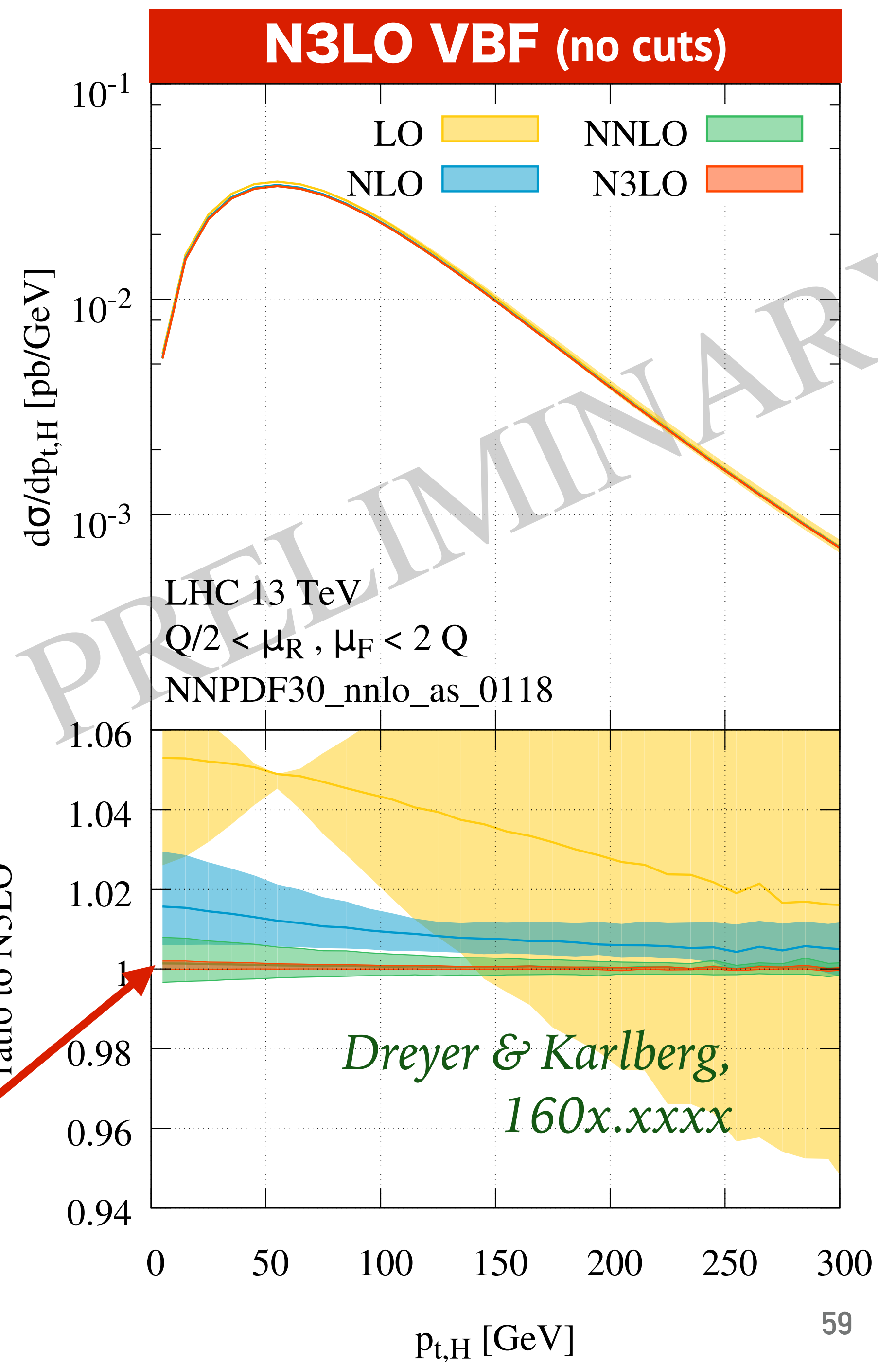
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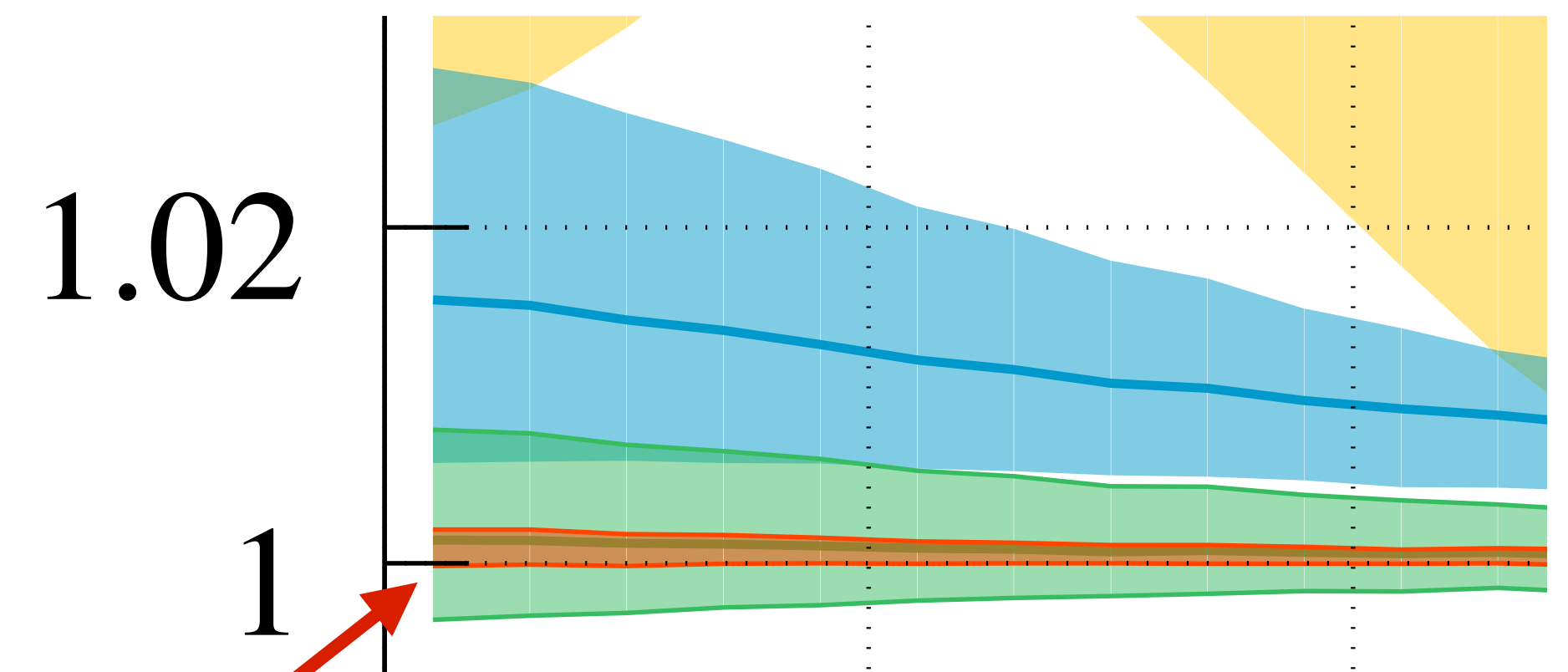
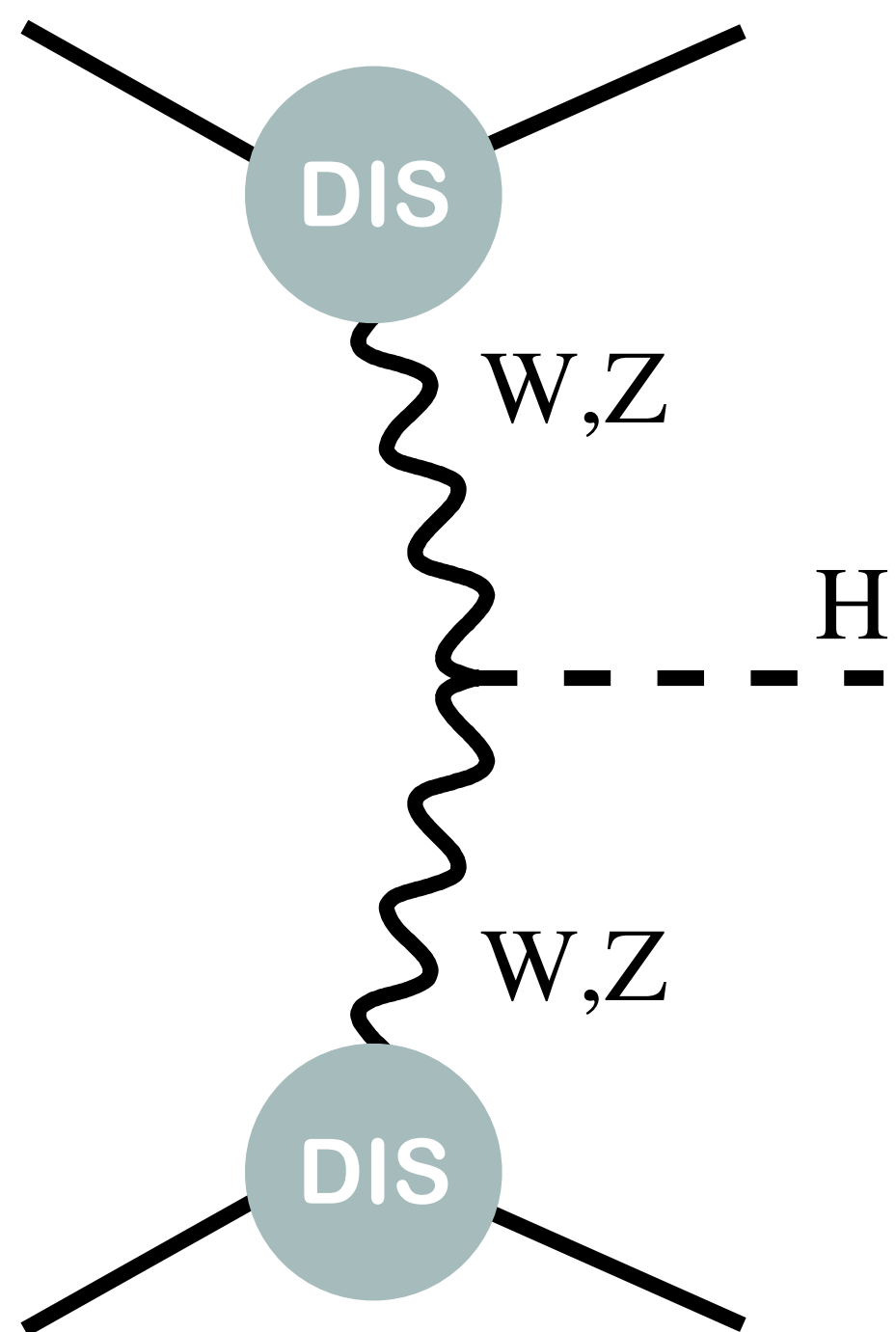
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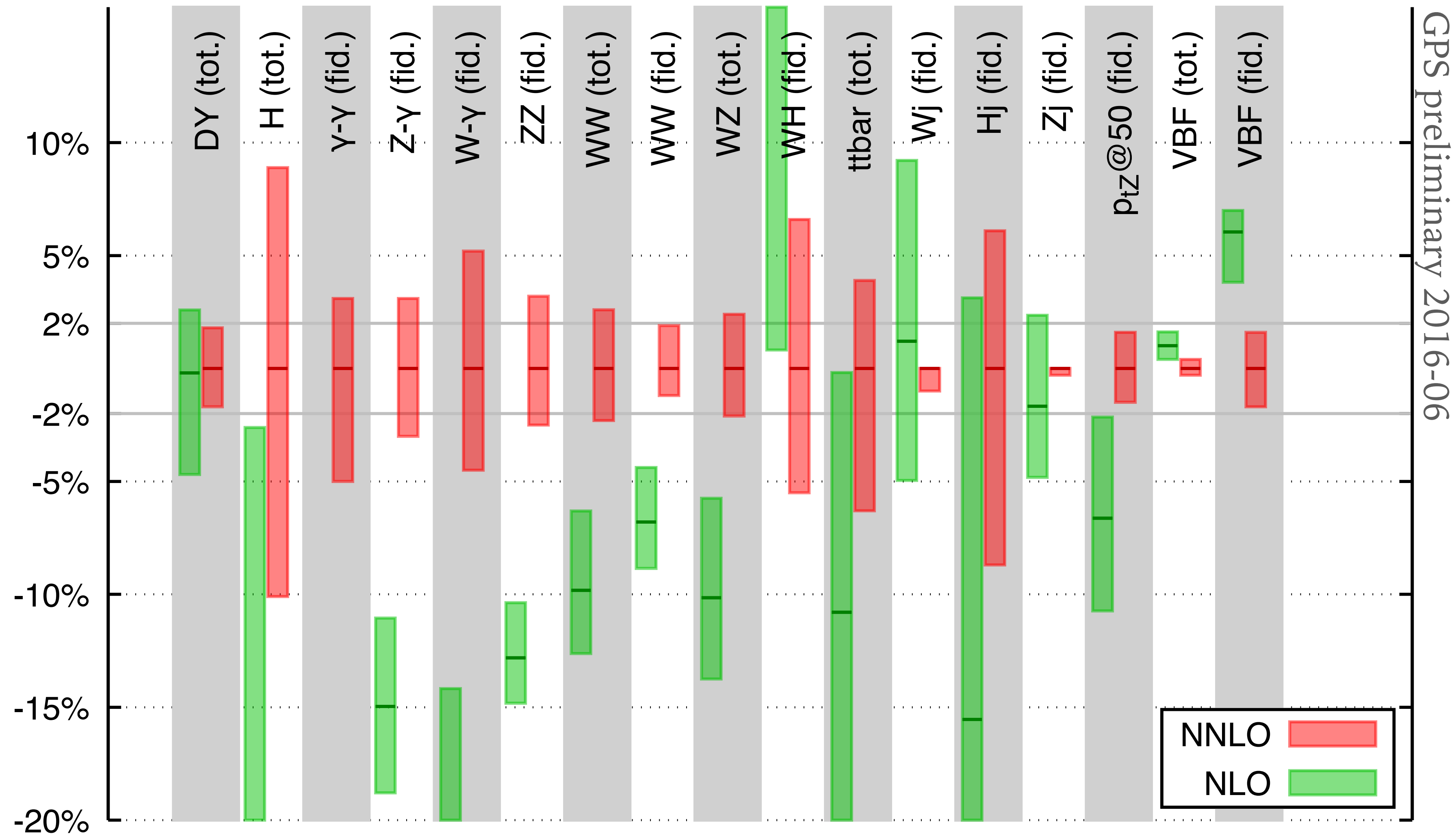
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*Exact in “ $QCD_1 \otimes QCD_2$ ”*

*Non-trivial real-world corrections believed  $< 1\%$*



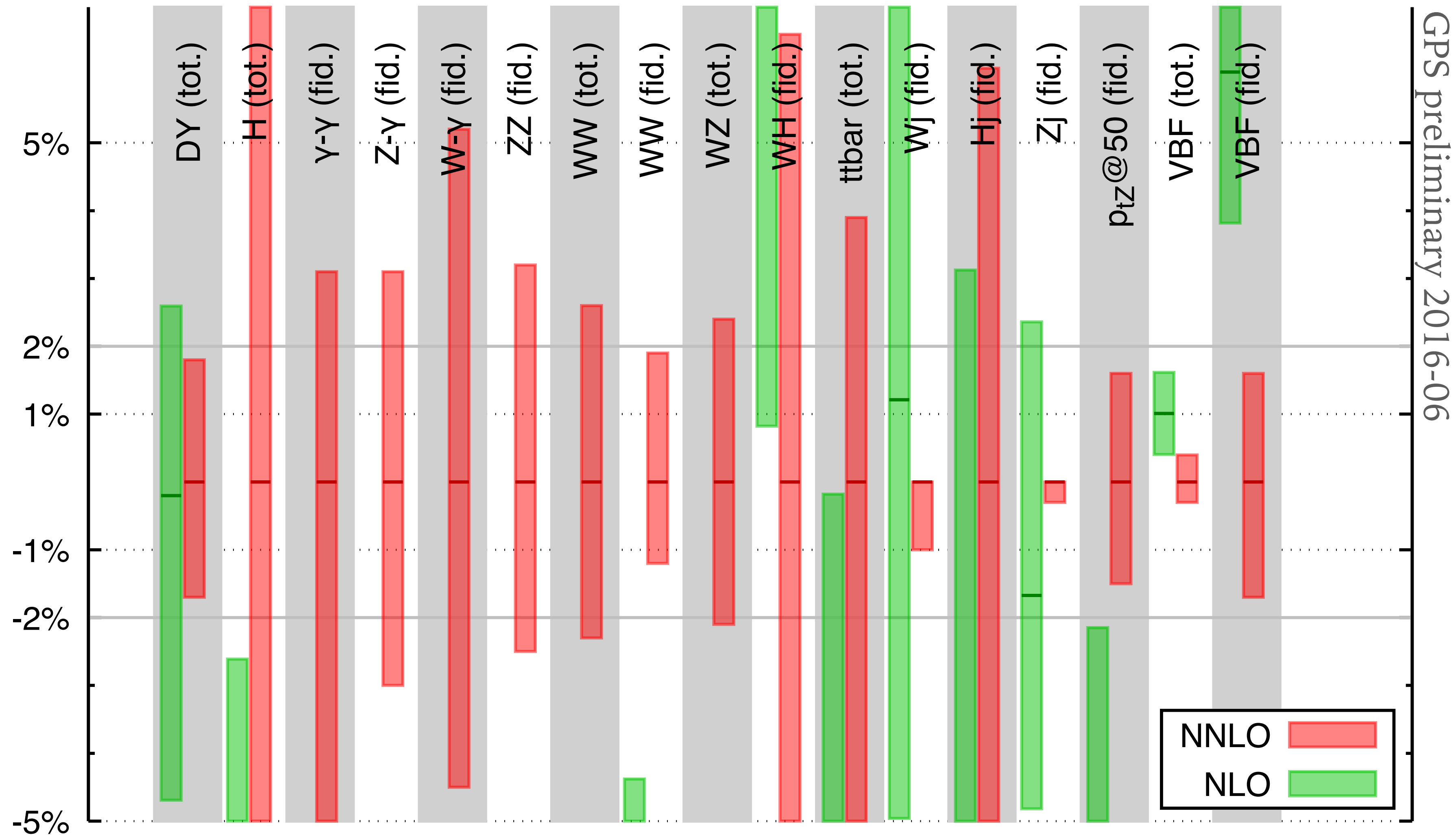
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We discuss a method to reconstruct two-dimensional proton bunch densities using vertex distributions accumulated during LHC beam-beam scans. The  $x$ - $y$  correlations in the beam shapes are studied and an alternative luminosity calibration technique is introduced. We demonstrate the method on simulated beam-beam scans and estimate the uncertainty on the luminosity calibration associated to the beam-shape reconstruction to be below 1%.