

Loop corrections to tW production

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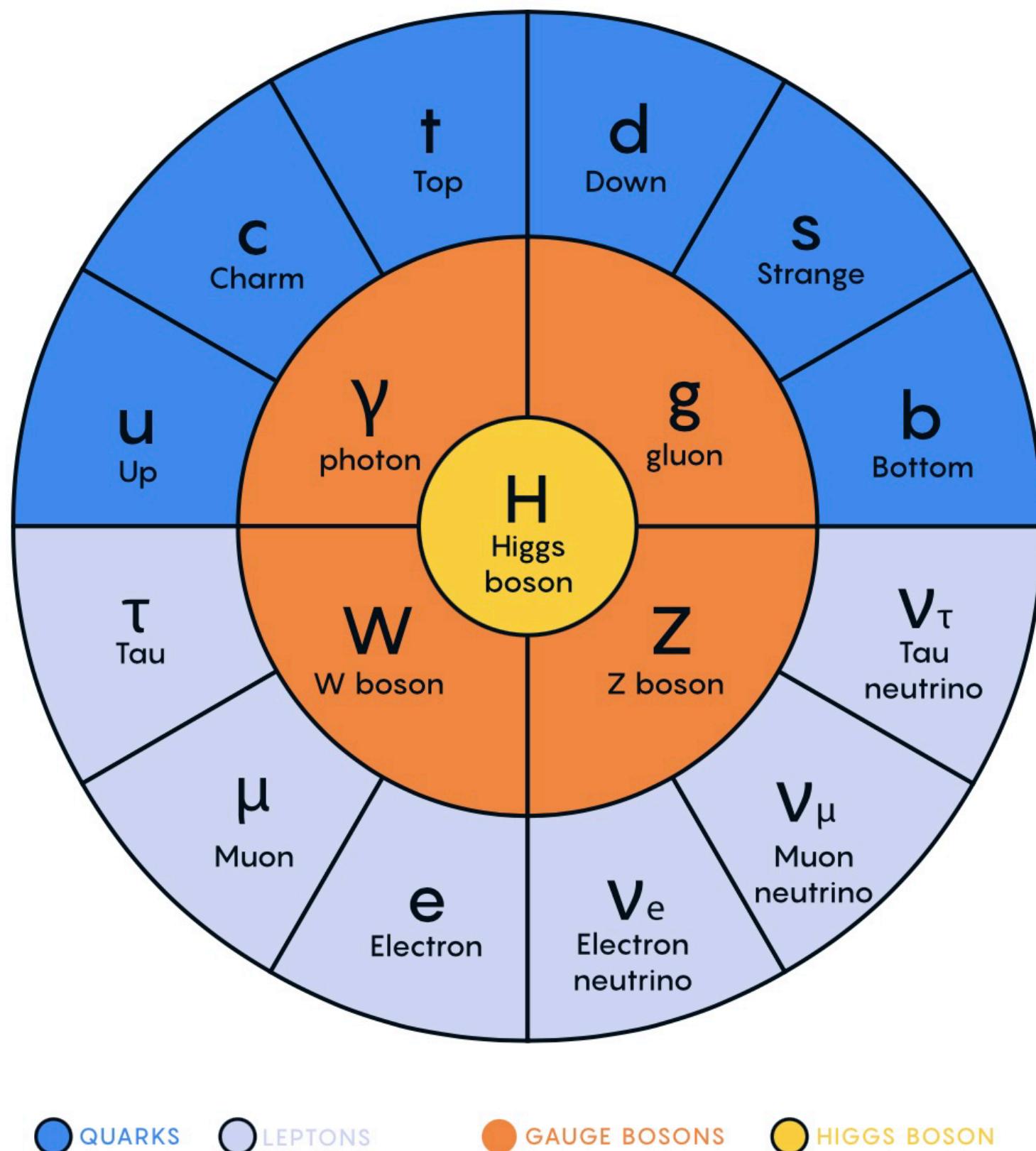
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Introduction



- Top quark is the heaviest elementary particle in the Standard Model.
- Top quark provides the strongest coupling to the SM Higgs boson and opens doors to new physics.
- Top quark might play a role of electroweak symmetry breaking
- The measurements at the LHC offer the ultimate precision in top quark physics
- Top quark is a good probe of new physics

Introduction

<https://github.com/haitaoli1/TopWidth>

The screenshot shows the GitHub repository page for 'TopWidth'. At the top, there are buttons for 'main' (selected), '1 branch', '0 tags', 'Go to file', 'Add file', and 'Code'. Below this is a list of commits by 'haitaoli1' with the commit message 'typo corrected'. The commits are:

- LICENSE.md: license added (4 months ago)
- README.md: typo corrected (2 months ago)
- TopWidth.m: arXiv information added (4 months ago)
- example.nb: typo corrected (2 months ago)

Below the commits is the README.md file content:

TopWidth

Mathematica Package to calculate the top decay width with NNLO corrections in QCD and NLO corrections in EW.

Requirement

The HPL package is required to generate the numerics of the harmonic polylogarithm, which can be downloaded from <https://krone.physik.uzh.ch/data/HPL/>.

HPL is supposed to be initialized through "`<<HPL``". If not please set the path
"`$HPLPath="the:\\path\\of\\the\\installation"`".

Download

Download the package through
git clone <https://github.com/haitaoli1/TopWidth.git>

go to the directory "TopWidth", run the example notebook "example.nb".

```
In[1]:= (* Note that the mathematica package HPL is used for numerical evaluations for HPL functions *)
(* HPL is loaded through "<<HPL`"*)
(* Set directory where TopWidth.m is *)
SetDirectory[NotebookDirectory[]];
<< TopWidth`
```

(***** TopWidth-2.0 *****)
Authors: Long-Bin Chen, Hai Tao Li, Zhao Li, Jian Wang, YeFan Wang, QuanFeng Wu
TopWidth[QCDorder, mbCorr, WwidthCorr, EWcorr, mu] is provided for top width calculations
Please cite the paper for reference: arXiv:2212.06341 and arXiv:2309.00762

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***** HPL 2.0 *****
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Author: Daniel Maitre, University of Zurich
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More info in hep-ph/0507152, hep-ph/0703052 and at
<http://krone.physik.uzh.ch/~maitreda/HPL/>

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In[5]:= (* SetParameters[mt,mb,mw,Wwidth, GF] *)
(* If the parameters are not set by the users the code will use the default ones *)
SetParameters[ $\frac{17269}{100}, \frac{478}{100}, 80377/1000, 2085/1000, 911876/10000, 11663788 \times 10^{-12}$ ]
```

(* NNNLO decay width *)

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TopWidth[3, 0 (* with mb effects *), 0 (* with Tw effects *), 0 (* with NLO EW effects *),  $\frac{17269}{100}$ ]
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Out[6]= 1.31833
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First fully analytical NNLO QCD corrections

First analytical leading color N3LO QCD corrections

L.B.Chen, HTL, Wang, Wang, arXiv:2212.06341

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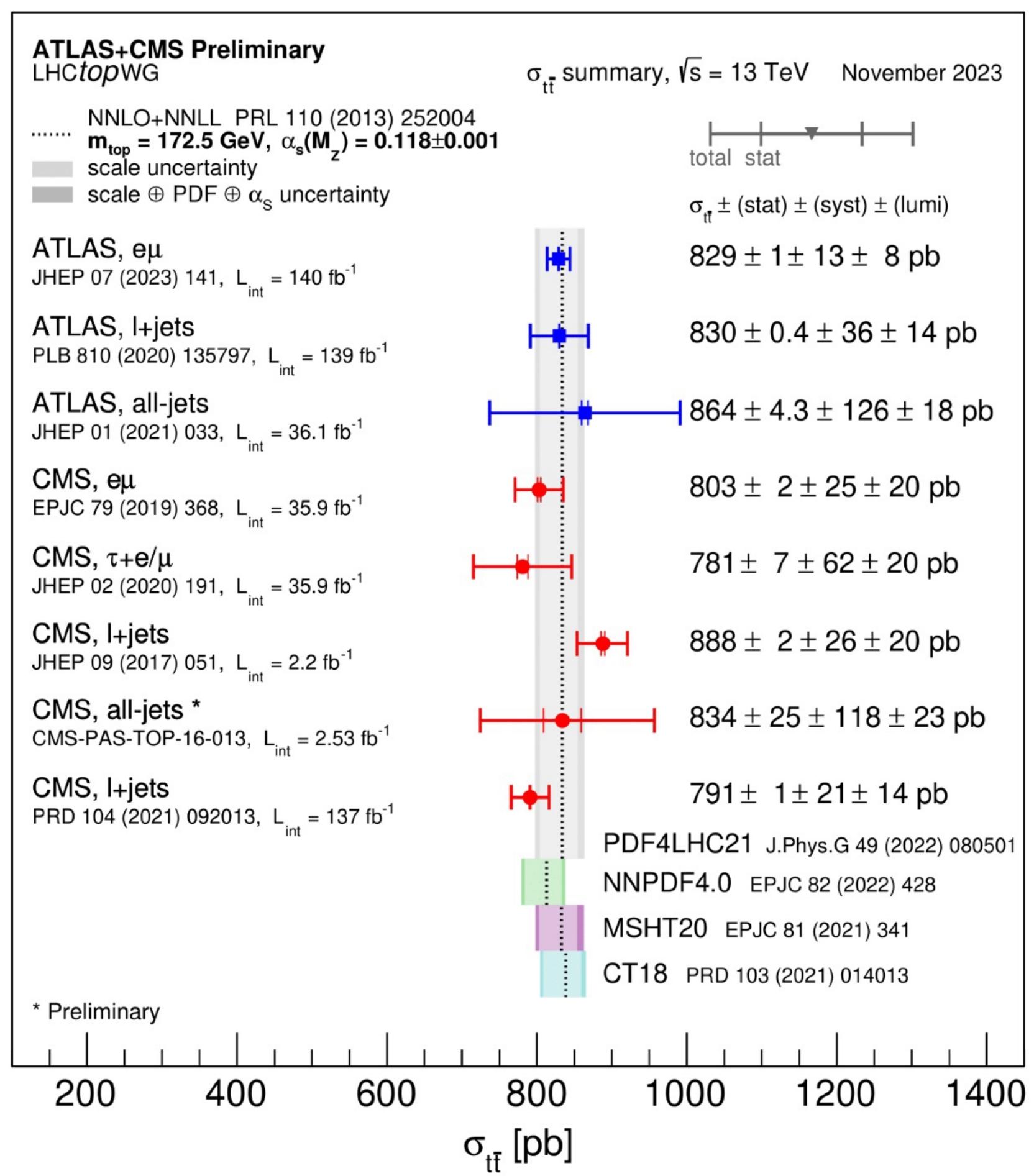
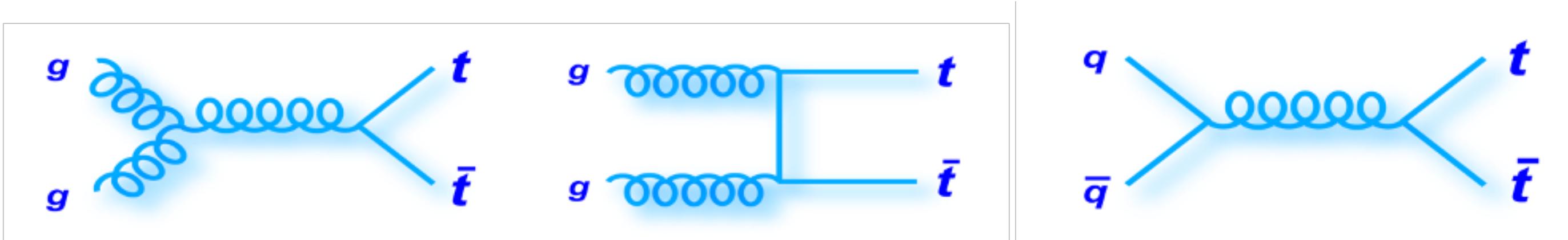
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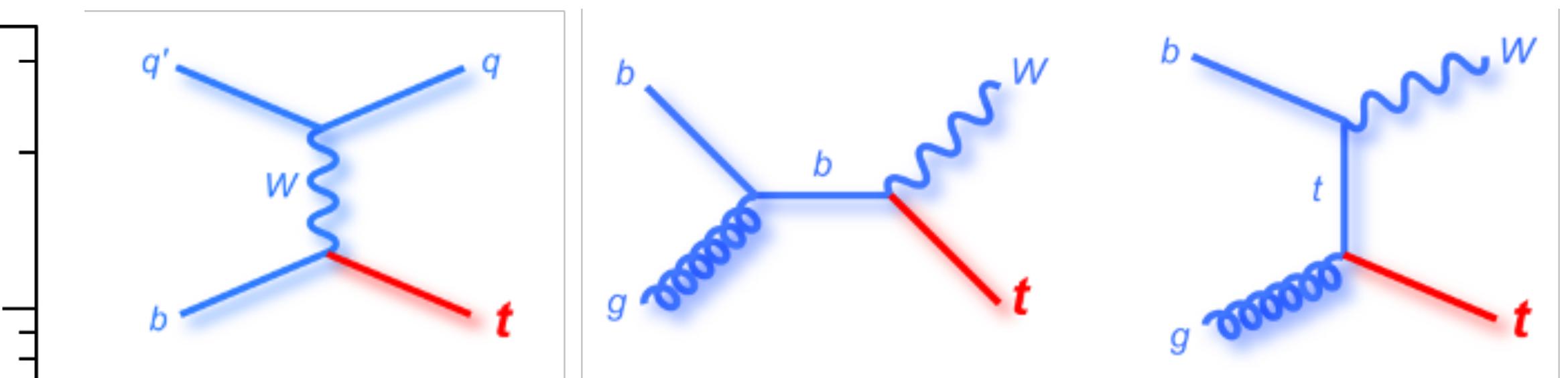
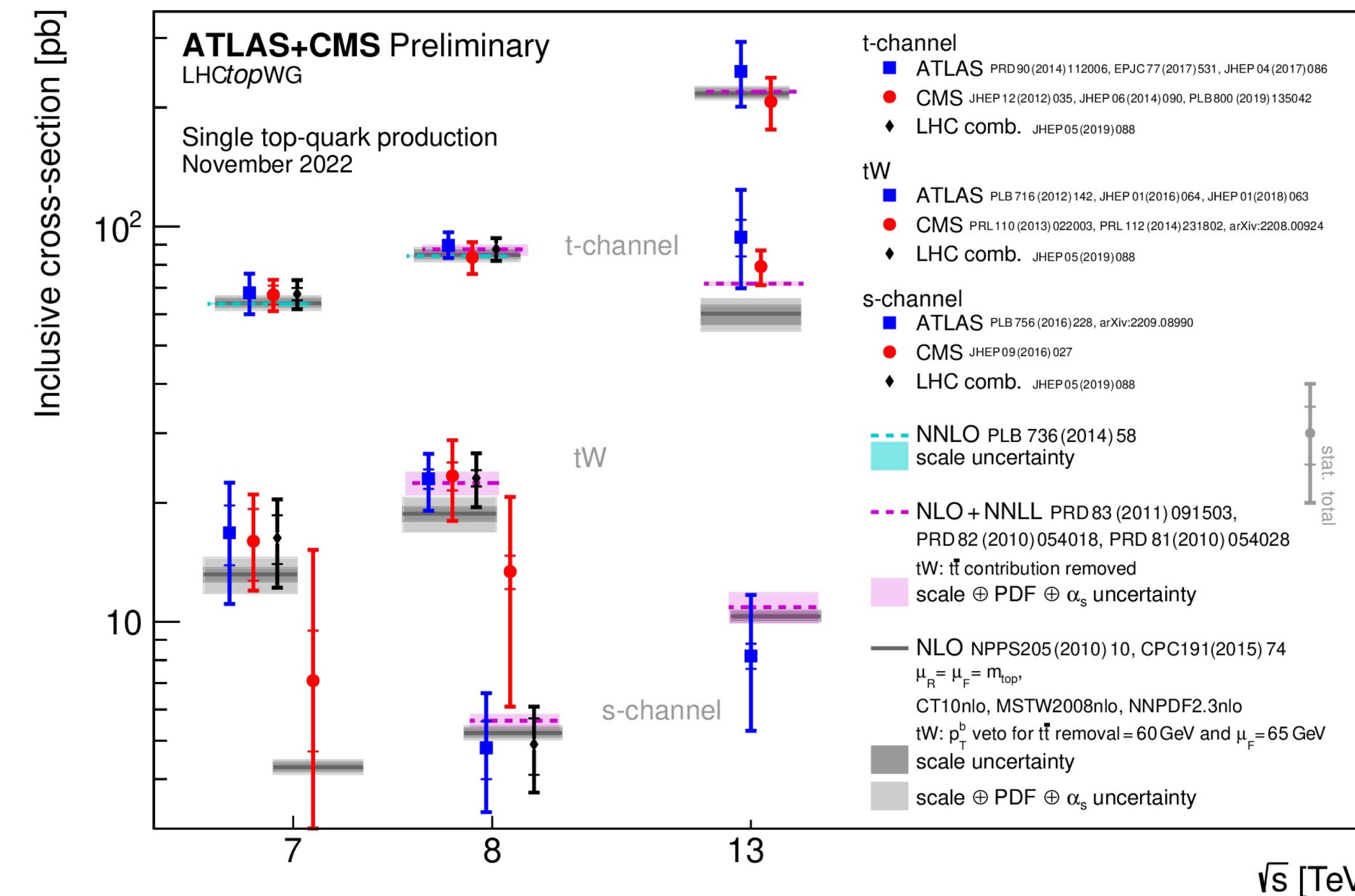
also see *Chen Long's talk yesterday for the result from another group*

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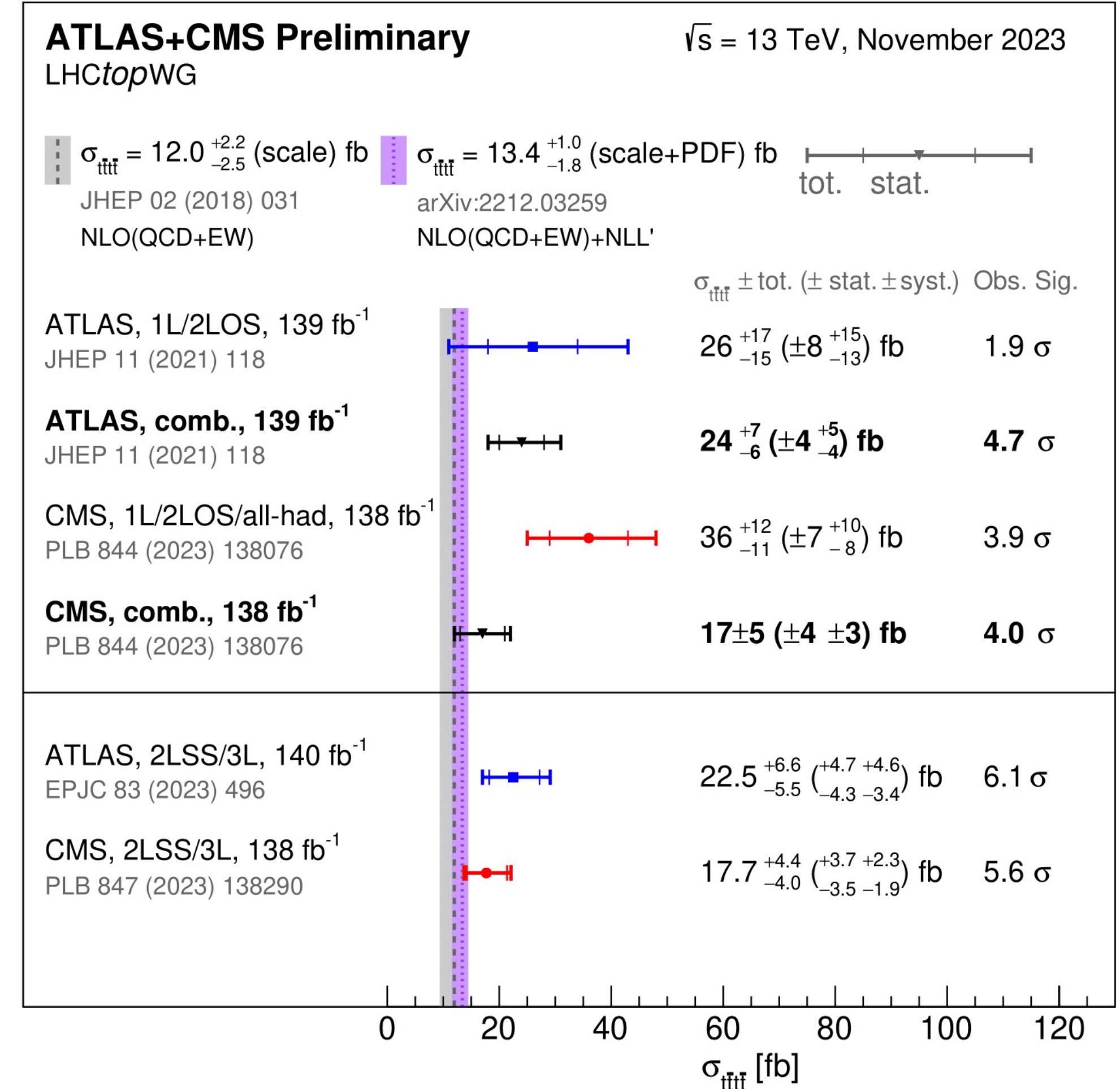
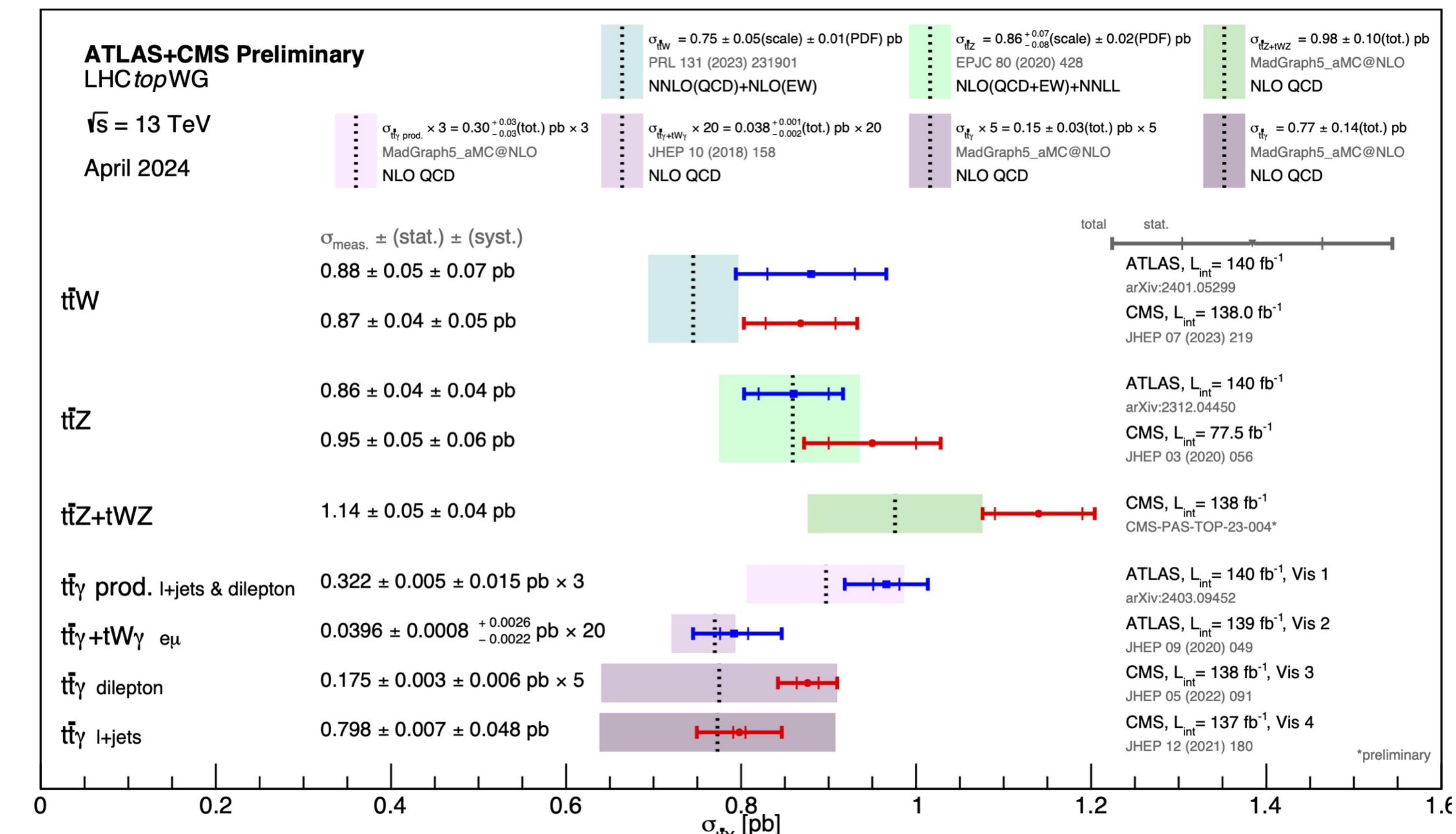
- It has high precision of the experimental measurements of total and differential cross sections
- It is used to study many properties of the top quark

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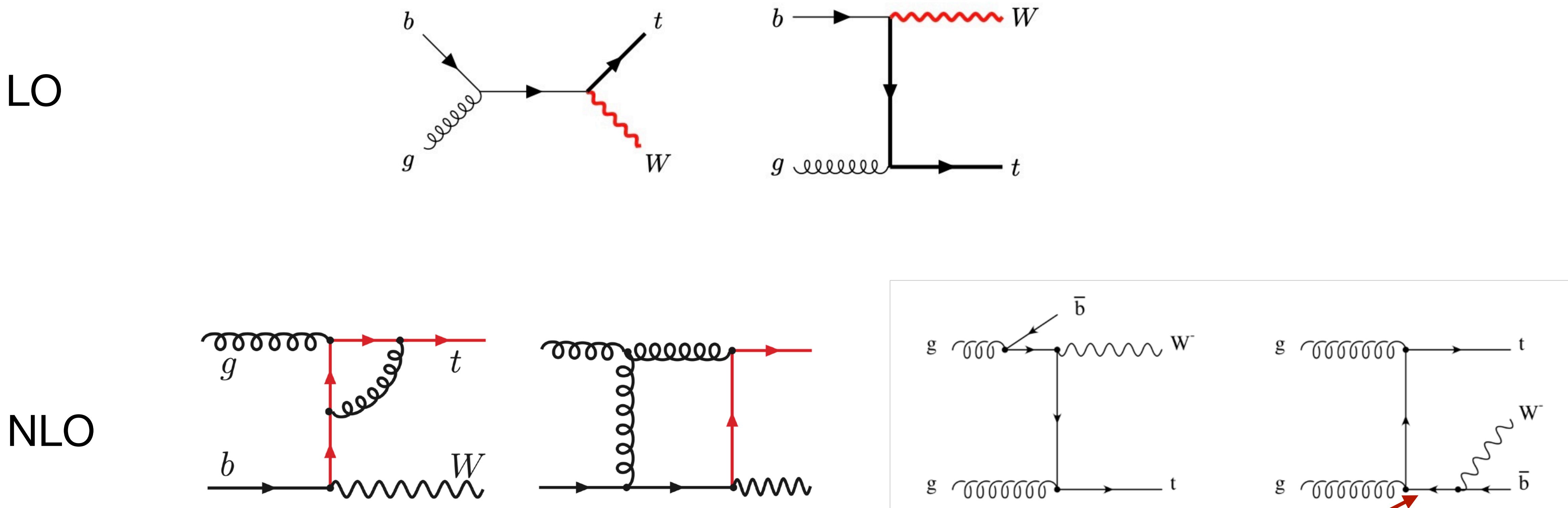


- allows measurement of V_{tb}
- check the chiral structure of Wtb vertex than top pair production
- t-channel can be used to measurement the b quark density
- sensitive to FCNC (t-channel), or W' resonances (s-channel)

Introduction



tW production



Giele, arXiv:hep-ph/9511449

Zhu, arXiv:hep-ph/0109269

Campbell, Tramontano, arXiv:hep-ph/0606289

Cao, arXiv:0801.1539

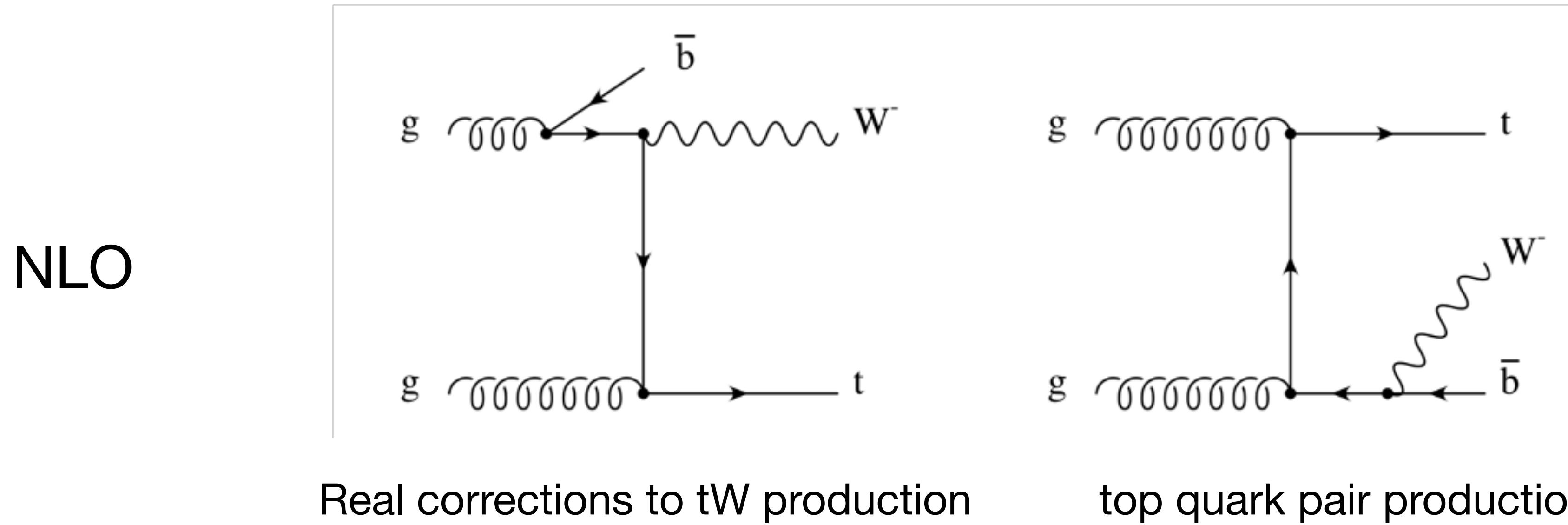
Kant et al arXiv:1406.4403

Frixione et al 2008

Hollik et al 2012

Campbell et al 2005

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Beyond NLO

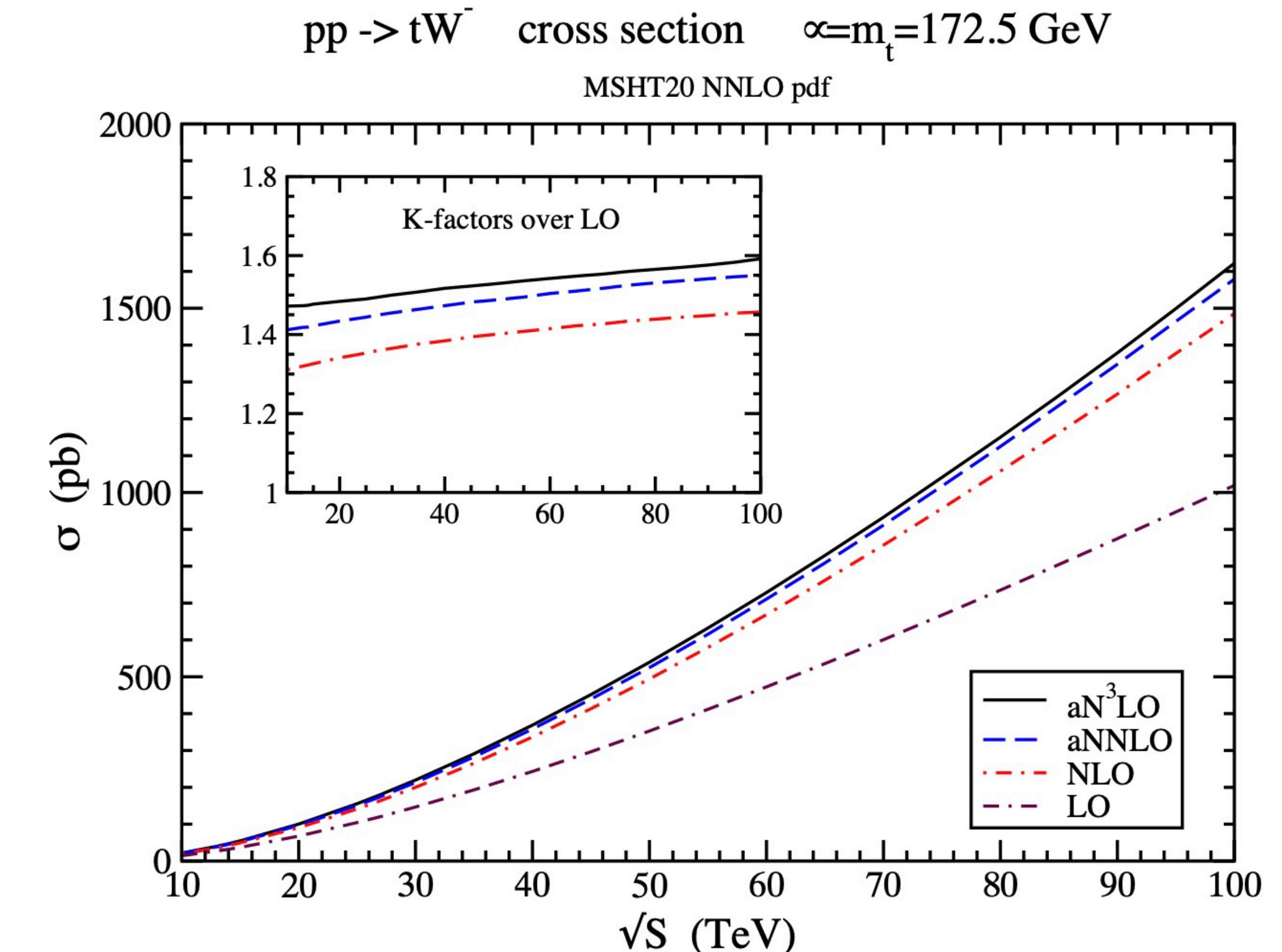
$$\frac{d^2\sigma^{\text{PIM}}}{dM^2 d\cos\theta} = \frac{\lambda^{1/2}}{32\pi s M^2} \sum_{ij} \int_{\tau}^1 \frac{dz}{z} \int_z^1 \frac{dx}{x} f_{i/p}(x, \mu_f) f_{j/p}(z/x, \mu_f) H(\mu_h) U_{\text{PIM}}(\mu_h, \mu_s, \mu_f)$$

$$\times \frac{z^{-\eta}}{(1-z)^{1-2\eta}} \tilde{s}^{\text{PIM}} \left(\ln \frac{M^2(1-z)^2}{z\mu_s^2} + \partial_\eta, \mu_s \right) \frac{e^{-2\gamma_E \eta}}{\Gamma(2\eta)} \Big|_{\eta=(C_A+C_F)a_{\gamma^* \text{cusp}}(\mu_s, \mu_f)}$$

[pb]	PIM		1PI	
\sqrt{s}	8 TeV	13 TeV	8 TeV	13 TeV
LO	$7.0^{+5\%}_{-6\%}$	$22.4^{+5\%}_{-2\%}$	$7.2^{+5\%}_{-4\%}$	$22.9^{+3\%}_{-1\%}$
NLO	$9.92^{+2\%}_{-2\%}$	$32.8^{+1\%}_{-1\%}$	$10.0^{+1\%}_{-2\%}$	$33.0^{+1\%}_{-1\%}$
aNNLO	$11.6^{+4\%}_{-5\%}$	$37.1^{+5\%}_{-5\%}$	$11.2^{+6\%}_{-6\%}$	$35.9^{+7\%}_{-6\%}$
NLO+NNLL	$11.4^{+7\%}_{-7\%}$	$36.7^{+7\%}_{-7\%}$	$11.7^{+12\%}_{-17\%}$	$37.3^{+16\%}_{-21\%}$
aNNLO/NLO	1.16	1.13	1.12	1.09
(NLO+NNLL)/NLO	1.15	1.12	1.17	1.13

Li, HTL, Shao, Wang, arXiv:1903.01646

For soft gluon contribution in threshold region, see Ding JiaLe's talk yesterday



Kidonakis, Yamanaka, arXiv: 2102.11300

tW production

Toward NNLO

Many methods has already developed at NNLO level

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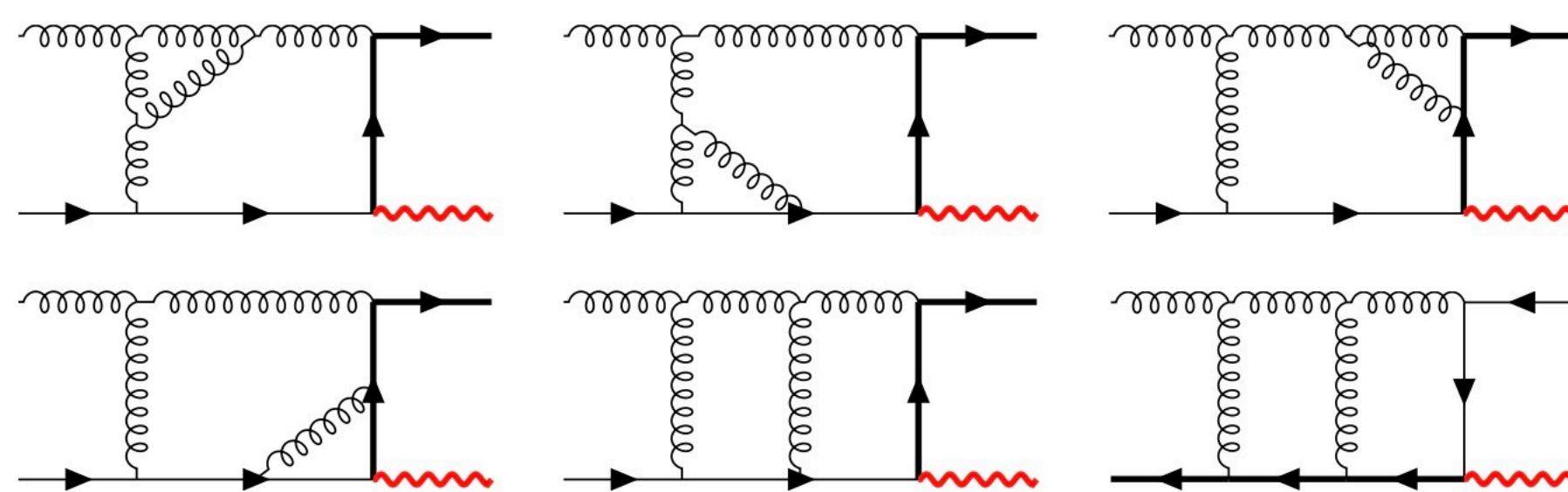
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we have to deal with the resonance divergence for tW+j production

$$\begin{cases} \text{real} - \text{virtual} \\ \text{real} - \text{real} \end{cases}$$

Toward NNLO

1. double virtual



Amplitude reads $\mathcal{M} = \boxed{\mathcal{M}_0} + \boxed{\frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \mathcal{M}_1} + \boxed{\left(\frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi}\right)^2 \mathcal{M}_2}$

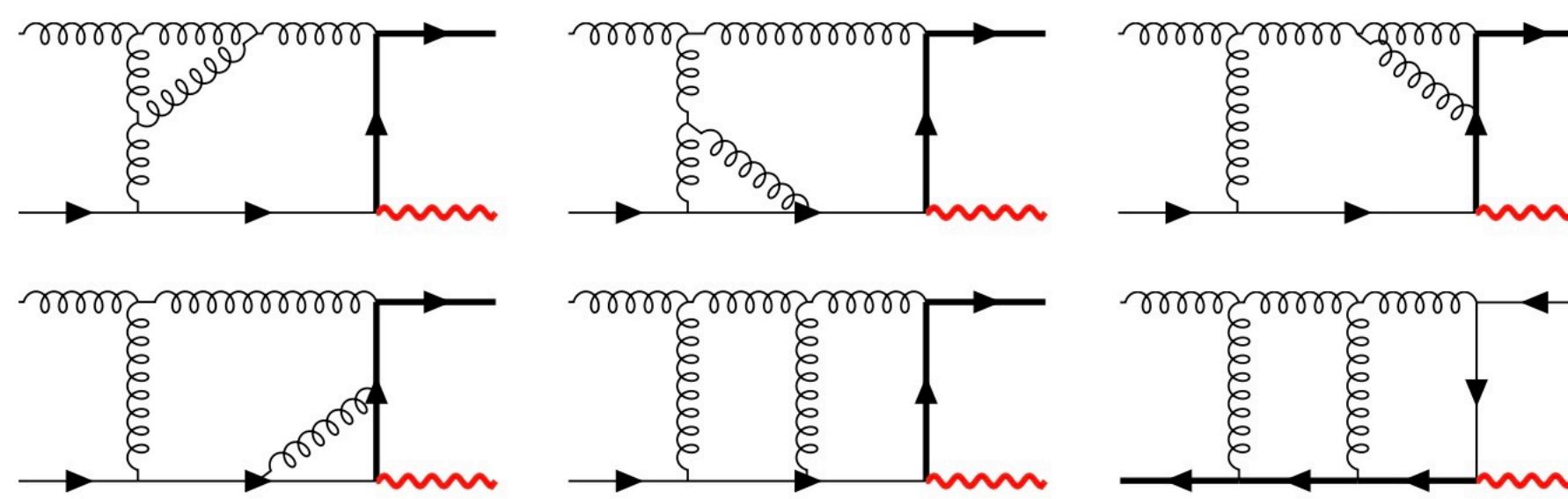
Tree 1-loop 2-loop

$\left(\frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi}\right)^2 (|\mathcal{M}_1^{\text{ren}}|^2 + \mathcal{M}_2^{\text{ren}} \mathcal{M}_0^{*\text{ren}} + \mathcal{M}_0^{\text{ren}} * \mathcal{M}_2^{*\text{ren}})$

1-loop square 2-loop \times tree

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analytical result 1-loop square

Chen, Dong, HTL, Li, Wang, Wang, arXiv:2204.13500

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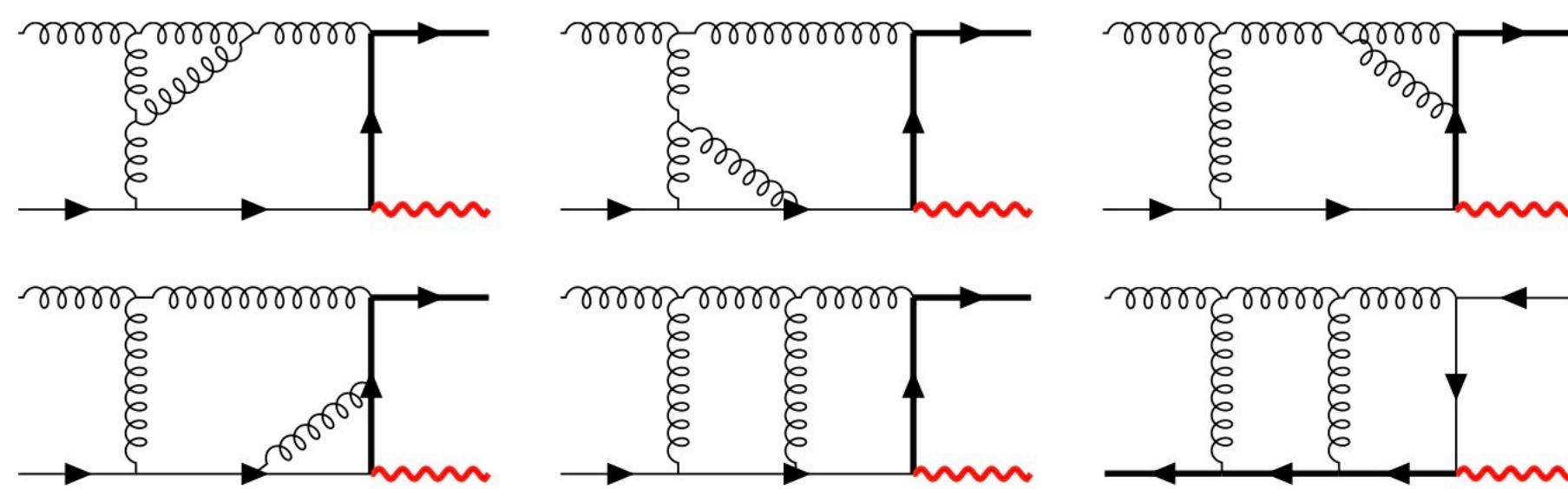
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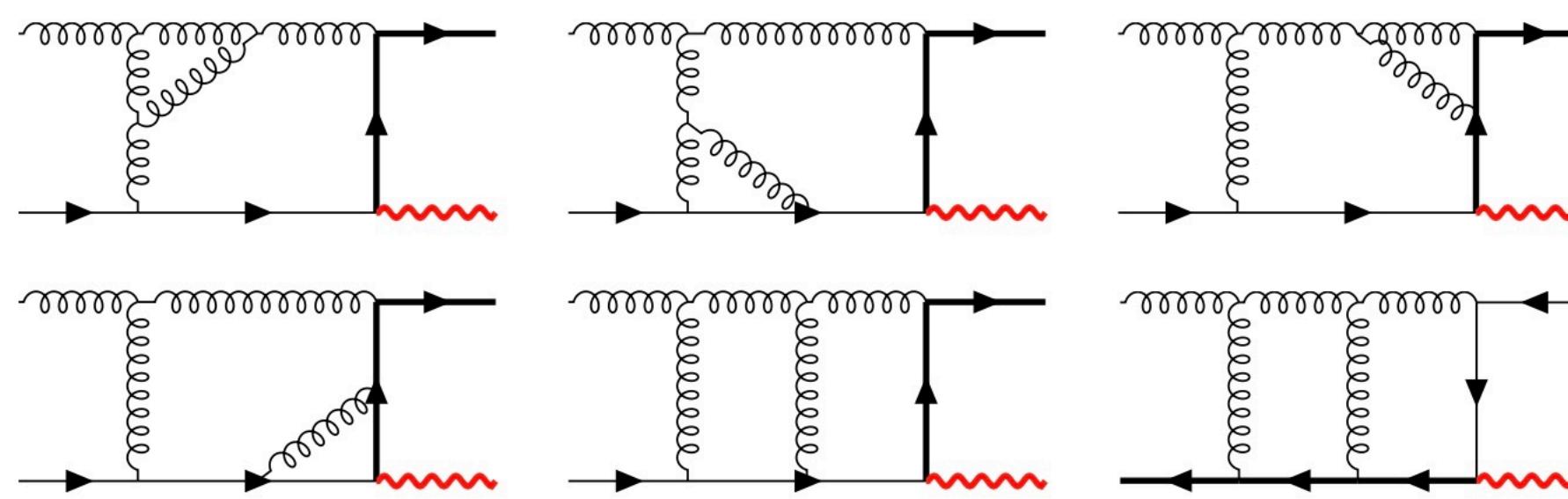
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analytical result 1-loop square *Chen, Dong, HTL, Li, Wang, Wang, arXiv:2204.13500*

$$2 \operatorname{Re} \sum_{s,c} \mathcal{M}^{(0)*} \mathcal{M}^{(2)} = N_C^4 A + N_C^2 B + C + \frac{1}{N_C^2} D + n_l \left(N_C^3 E_l + N_C F_l + \frac{1}{N_C} G_l \right) + n_h \left(N_C^3 E_h + N_C F_h + \frac{1}{N_C} G_h \right)$$

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analytical LC 2-loop amplitude

Chen, Dong, HTL, Li, Wang, Wang, arXiv:2208.08786

numerical full 2-loop amplitude

Chen, Dong, HTL, Li, Wang, Wang, arXiv:2212.07190

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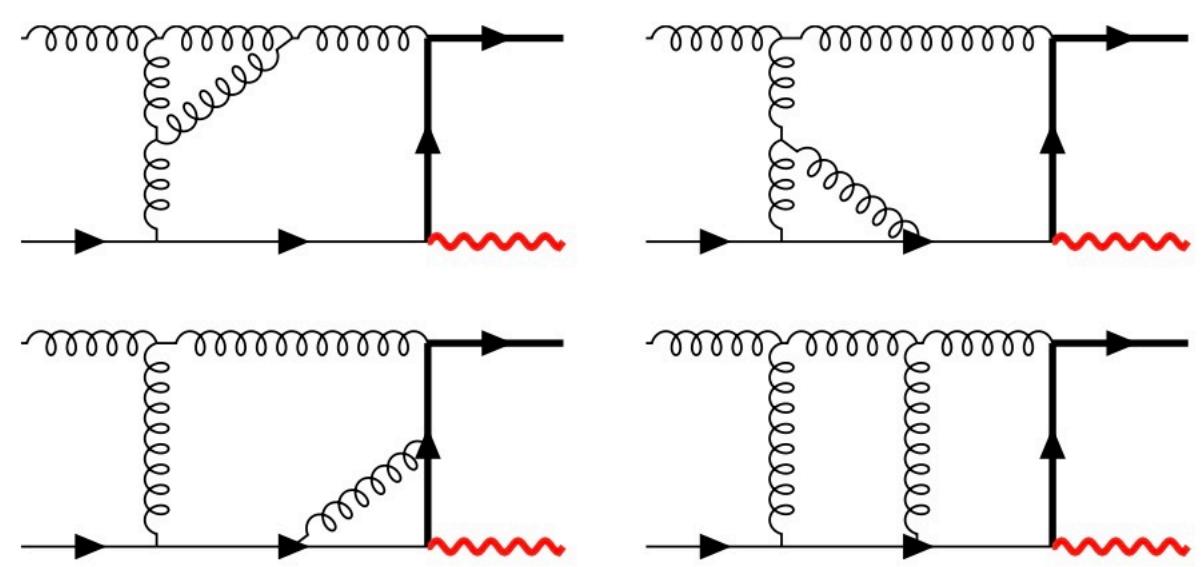
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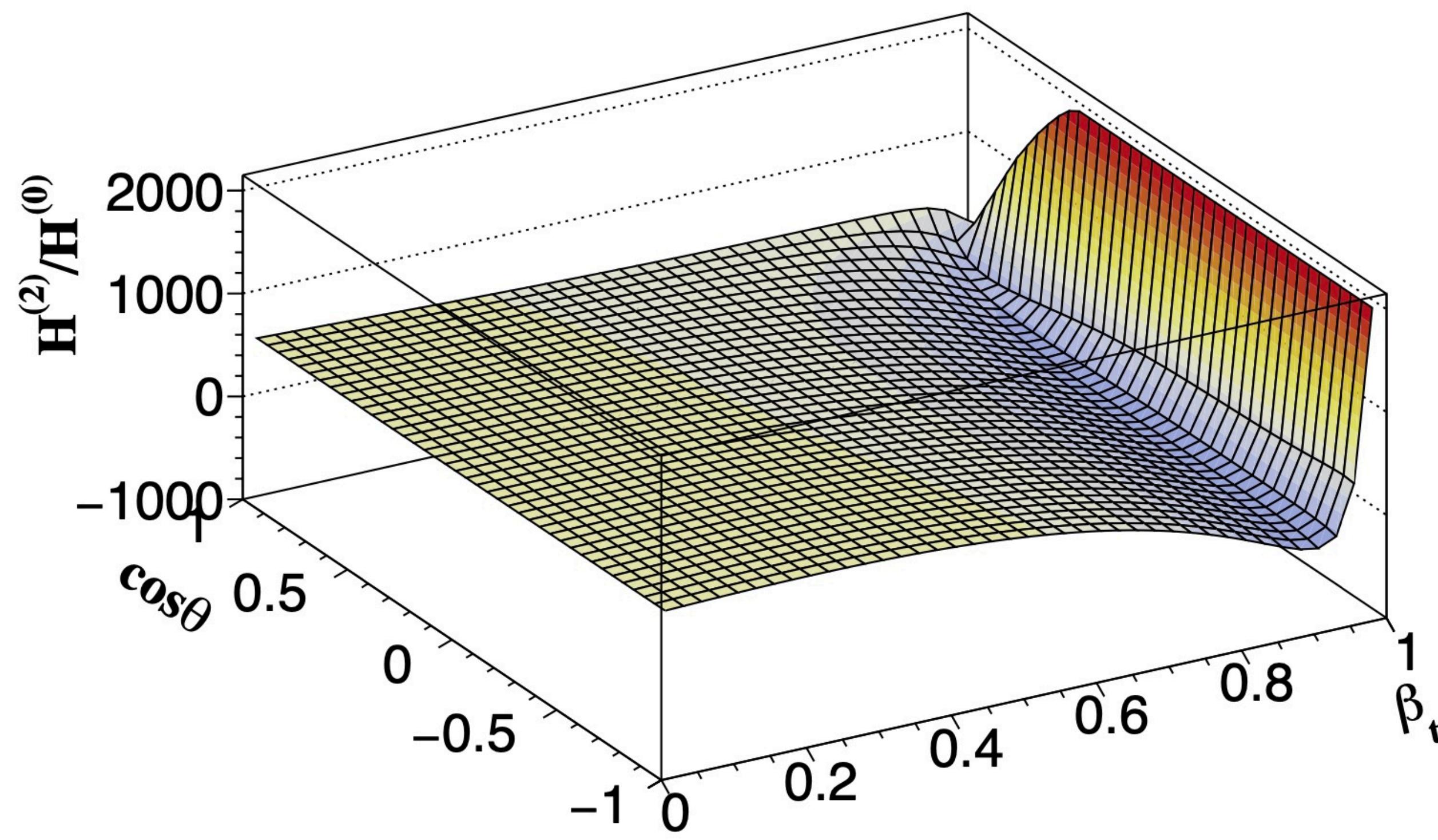
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2-loop

$\stackrel{k}{\mathcal{M}}_{2*}^{\text{ren}}$)

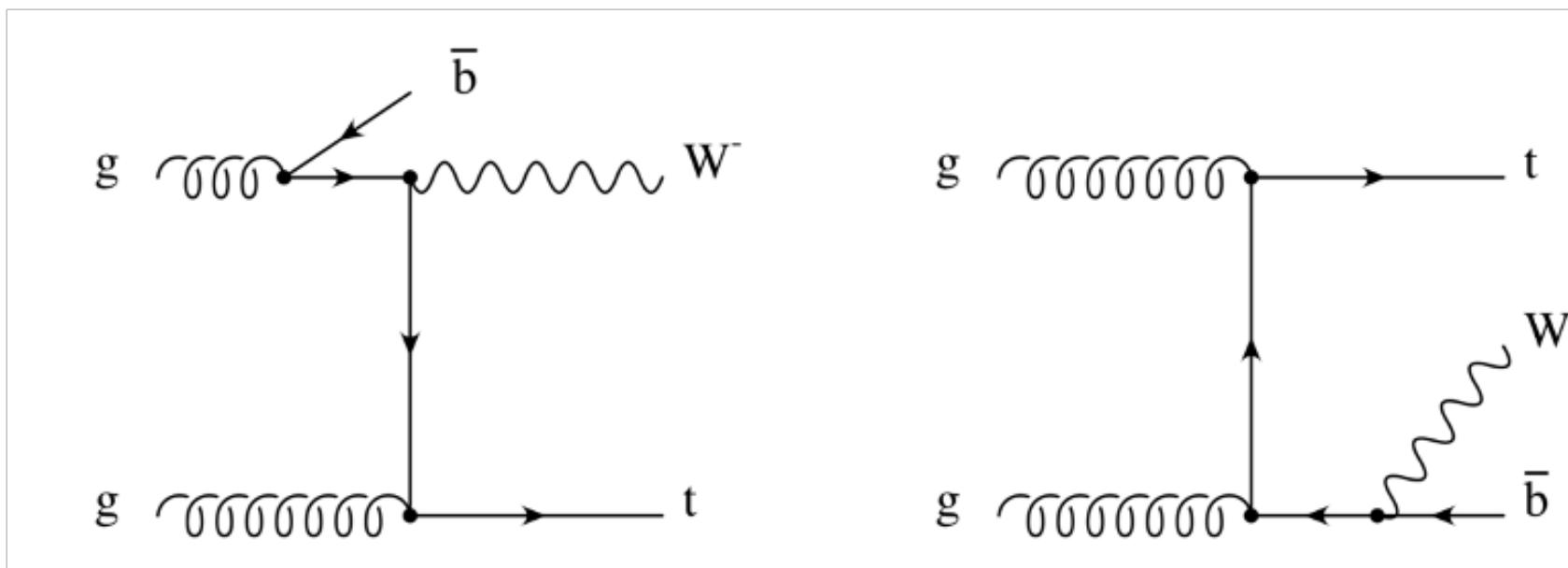


$$- N_C F_h + \frac{1}{N_C} G_h \Big)$$

tW production

Toward NNLO

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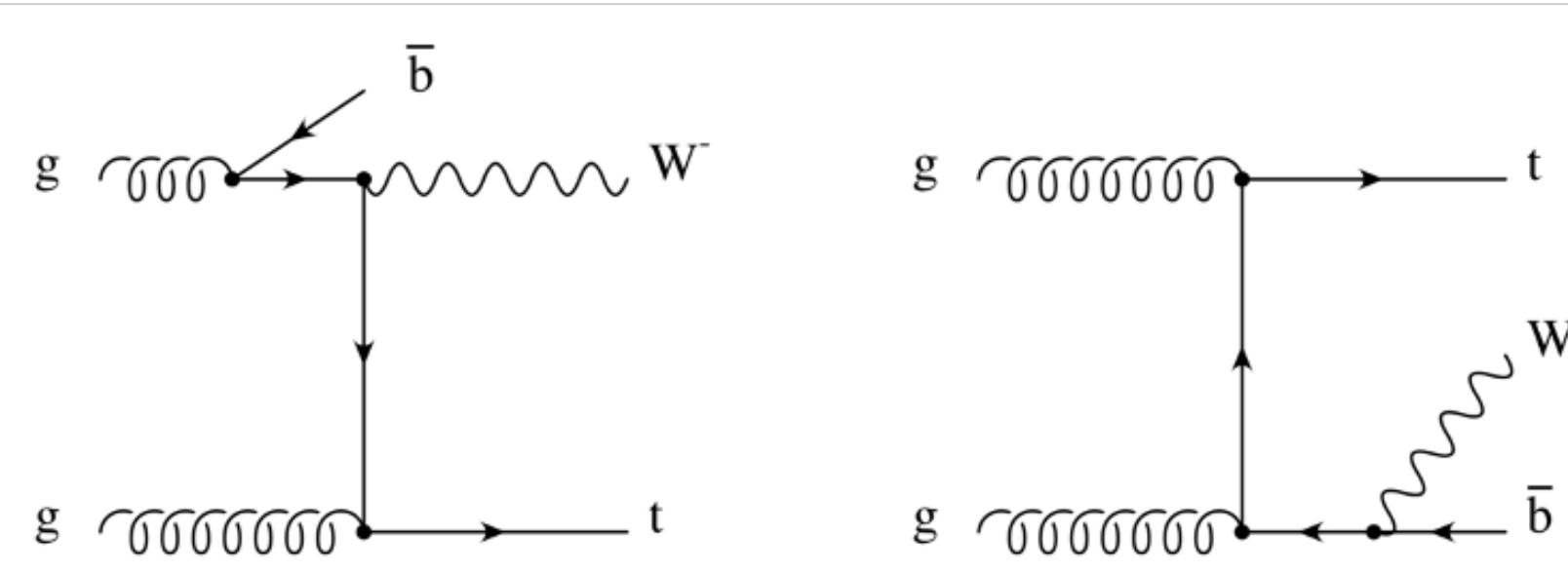


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$$\Delta = s_{Wb} - m_t^2$$

In $\Delta \rightarrow 0$ limit, the amplitude square is

$$\left| \mathcal{M}_{tW\bar{b}} \right|_{\text{LO}}^2 = \frac{B^{(2)}}{\Delta^2} + \frac{B^{(1)}}{\Delta} + B^{(0)} + \dots$$

The leading singular contribution can be subtracted by

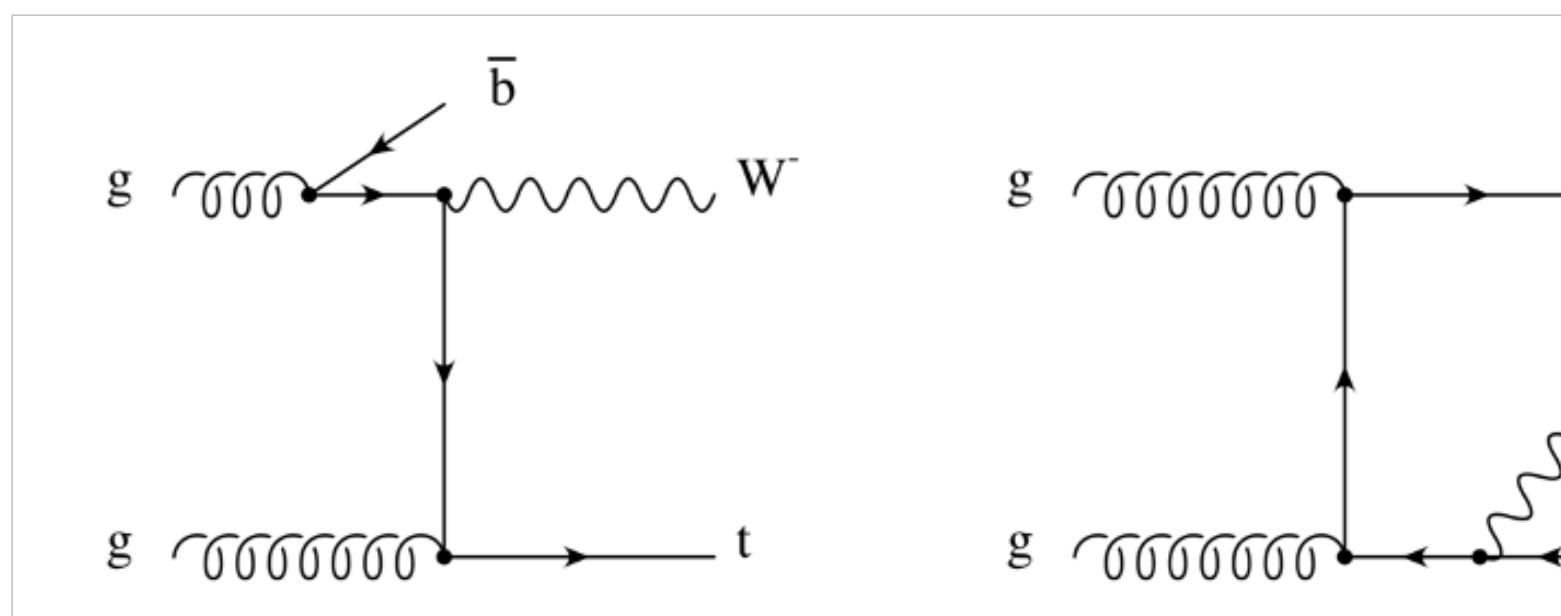
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$$\left(\left| \mathcal{M}_{tW\bar{b}} \right|_{\text{LO}}^2 \right)_{\text{PS}} = \left| \mathcal{M}_{1t}^{(0)} + \mathcal{M}_{2t}^{(0)} \right|^2 - S_2 \cdot (R_{\text{LO}})_2 = \left| \mathcal{M}_{1t}^{(0)} + \mathcal{M}_{2t}^{(0)} \right|^2 - \frac{\widetilde{B}^{(2)}}{\Delta^2}$$

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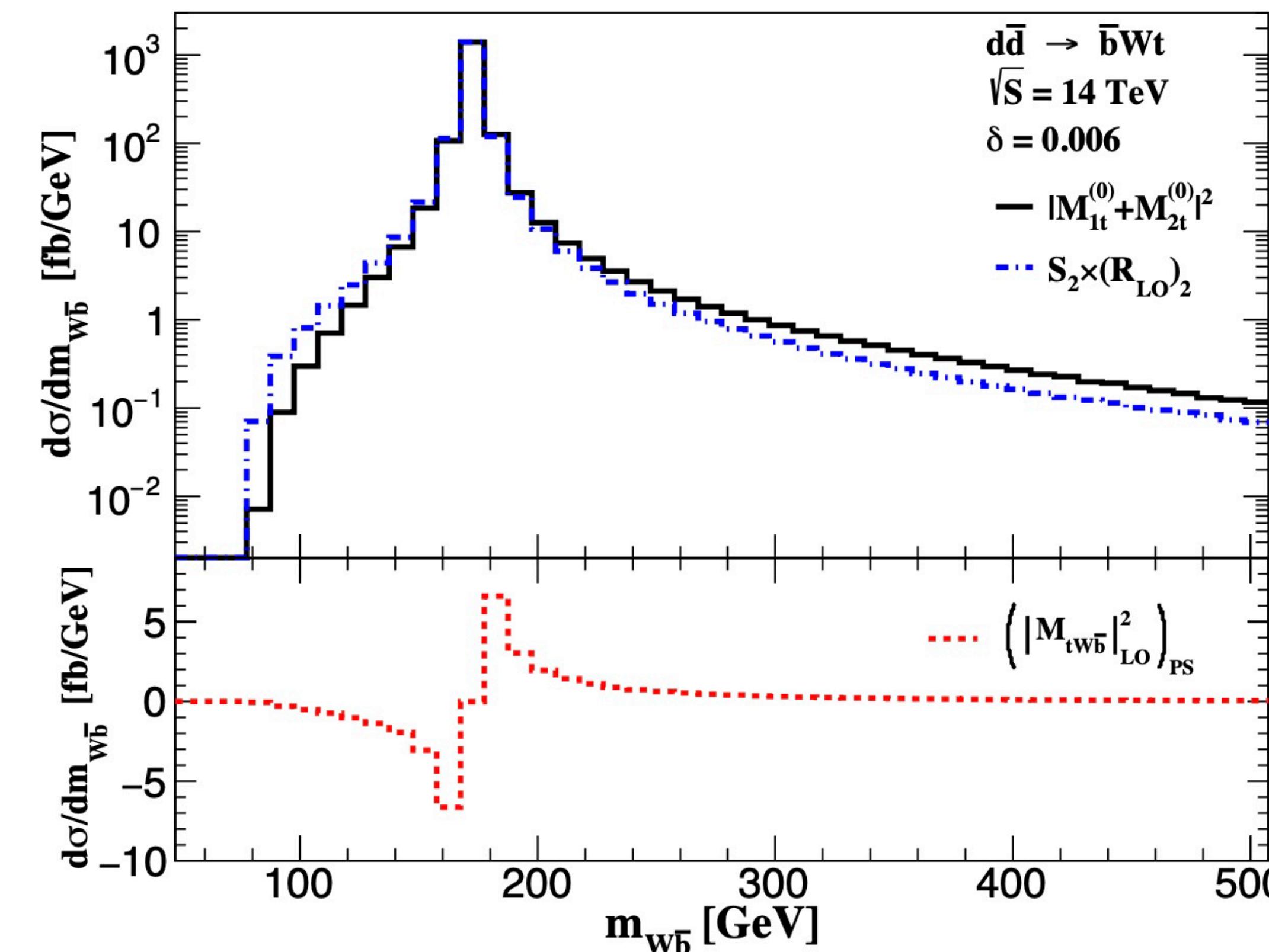


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top quark pair
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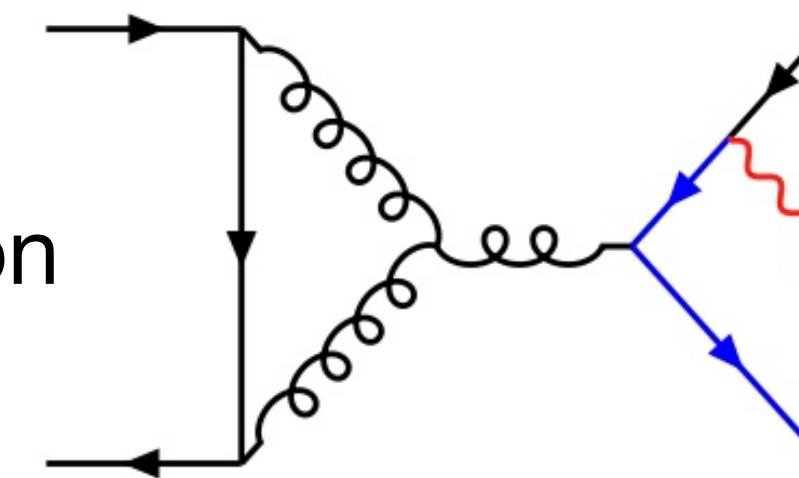
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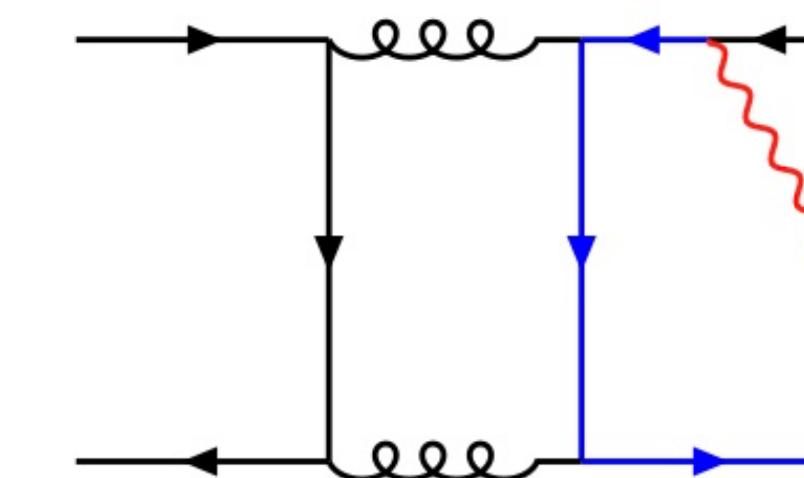
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Possible diagrams with resonance contribution



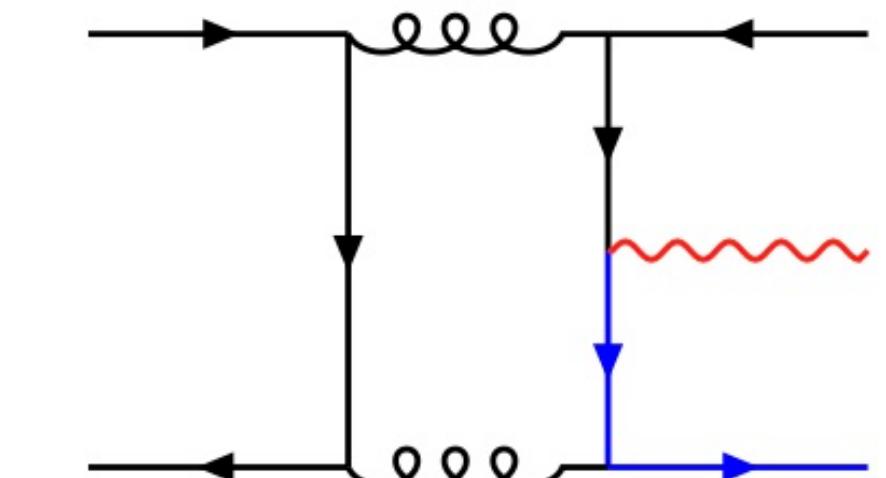
factorizable

factorizable + soft gluon contribution



loop with top propagators

Loop corrections to top quark pair
production and decay



generate nested IR or $\ln \Delta$ structure

$$RV_{\text{Ren}} \equiv 2 \operatorname{\mathbf{Re}} \left[\mathcal{M}^{(0)*} \mathcal{M}_{\text{Ren}}^{(1)} \right] = \frac{C^{(2)}}{\Delta^2} + \frac{C^{(1)}}{\Delta} + C^{(0)} + \dots$$

All the coefficients contain IR poles

IR poles for 1-loop amplitude is well studied

$$\begin{aligned} C^{(2)} = & \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} B^{(2)} \left\{ -\frac{3C_F}{\epsilon^2} + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left[(C_A - 2C_F) \log \left(\frac{\mu^2}{s_{12}} \right) - 2(C_A - 2C_F) \log \left(\frac{\mu^2}{-s_{13}} \right) \right. \right. \\ & + (C_A - 4C_F) \log \left(\frac{\mu^2}{-s_{23}} \right) + (C_A - 4C_F) \log \left(\frac{m_t \mu}{-s_{15} + m_t^2} \right) \\ & \left. \left. - 2(C_A - 2C_F) \log \left(\frac{m_t \mu}{-s_{25} + m_t^2} \right) + (C_A - 2C_F) \log \left(\frac{m_t \mu}{s_{35} - m_t^2} \right) - \frac{11}{2} C_F \right] \right\} \\ & + \dots \end{aligned}$$

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IR poles introduce additional $\ln \Delta$ terms

$$2 \log\left(\frac{m_t \mu}{|\Delta|}\right) \cdot \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} B^{(2)} \left[(C_A - 2C_F) \left(\log\left(\frac{m_t^2}{s_{35} - m_t^2}\right) - \frac{1 + \beta_t^2}{2\beta_t} \log\left(\frac{1 - \beta_t}{1 + \beta_t}\right) \right) \right. \\ \left. - 2(C_A - 2C_F) \left(\log\left(\frac{m_t^2}{-s_{13}}\right) - \log\left(\frac{m_t^2}{2p_1 \cdot p_{\bar{t}}}\right) \right) \right. \\ \left. + (C_A - 4C_F) \left(\log\left(\frac{m_t^2}{-s_{23}}\right) - \log\left(\frac{m_t^2}{2p_{\bar{t}} \cdot p_3}\right) \right) + 2C_F \log\left(\frac{m_t^2}{2p_{\bar{t}} \cdot p_3}\right) + 2C_F \right]$$

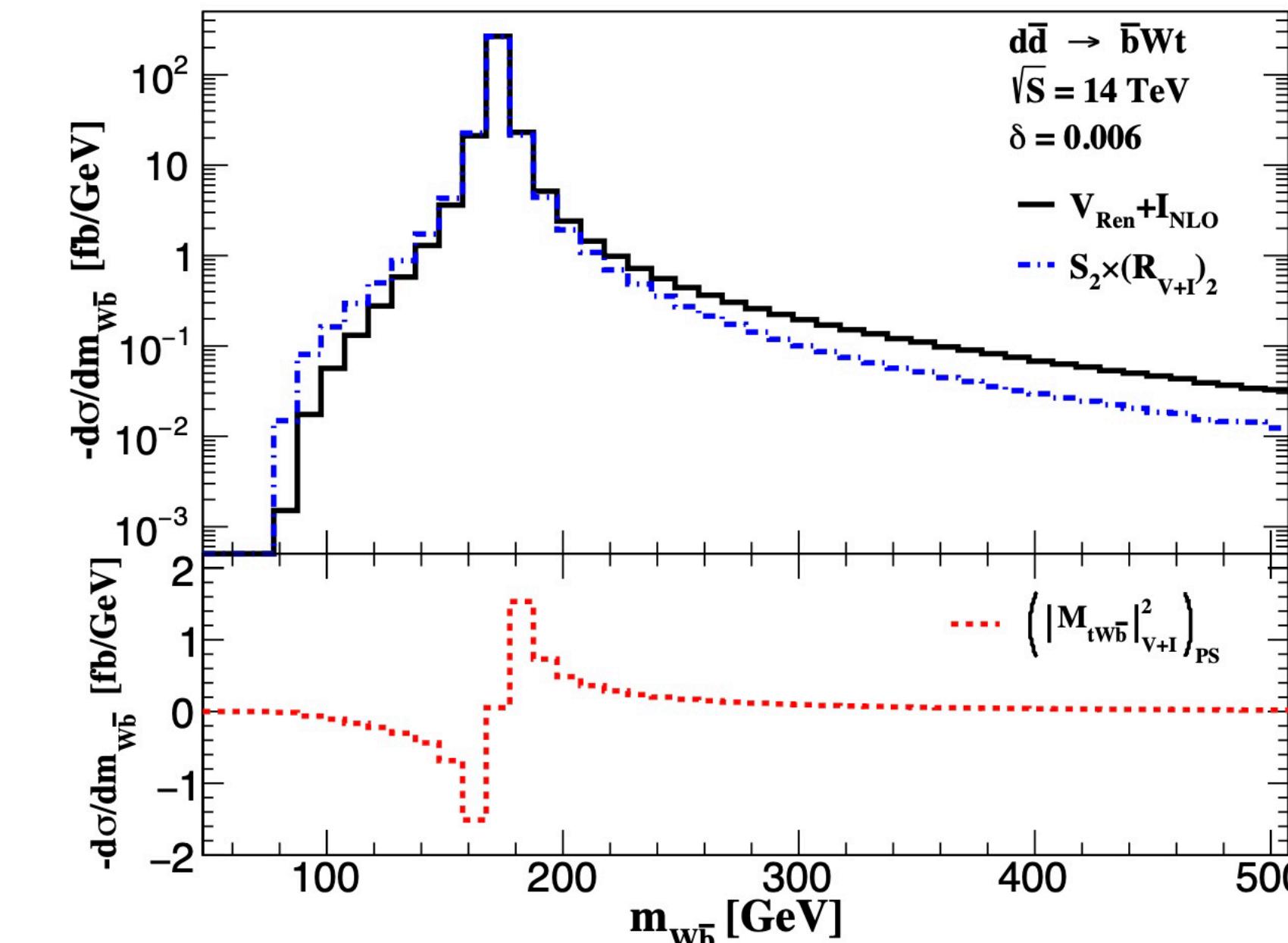
Subtracted RV contribution

$$\left(\left| \mathcal{M}_{tW\bar{b}} \right|^2 \right)_{\text{PS}} = V_{\text{Ren}} + \mathcal{I}_{\text{NLO}} - S_2 \cdot (R_{V+I})_2 = V_{\text{Ren}} + \mathcal{I}_{\text{NLO}} - \frac{\widetilde{C}^{(2)} + \widetilde{I}^{(2)}}{\Delta^2}$$

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$$I_{d\bar{d} \rightarrow \bar{b}Wt}^{\text{div}} = \frac{d_2}{\epsilon^2} + \frac{d_1}{\epsilon} + \frac{d_s}{\epsilon} \left(\frac{-\Delta - i0}{\mu m_t} \right)^{-2\epsilon} = \frac{d_2}{\epsilon^2} + \frac{d_1 + d_s}{\epsilon} - 2d_s \log\left(\frac{-\Delta - i0}{\mu m_t}\right)$$

Proportional to the difference between the infra-red divergences of the matrix elements for $d\bar{d} \rightarrow \bar{b}Wt$ and $d\bar{d} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ with on-shell $\bar{t} \rightarrow \bar{b}W$



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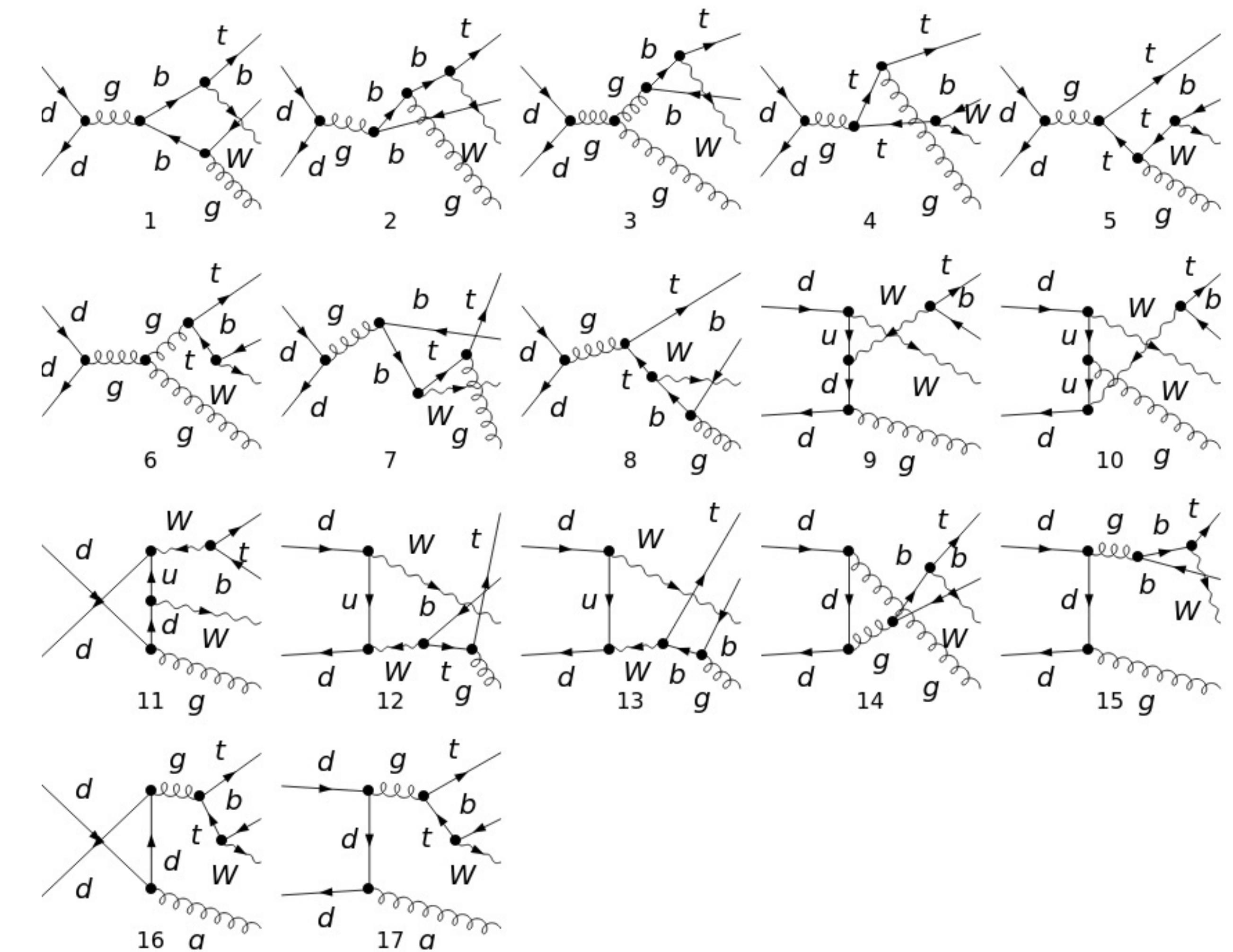
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3. real-real

IR cancelled by NLO subtraction method

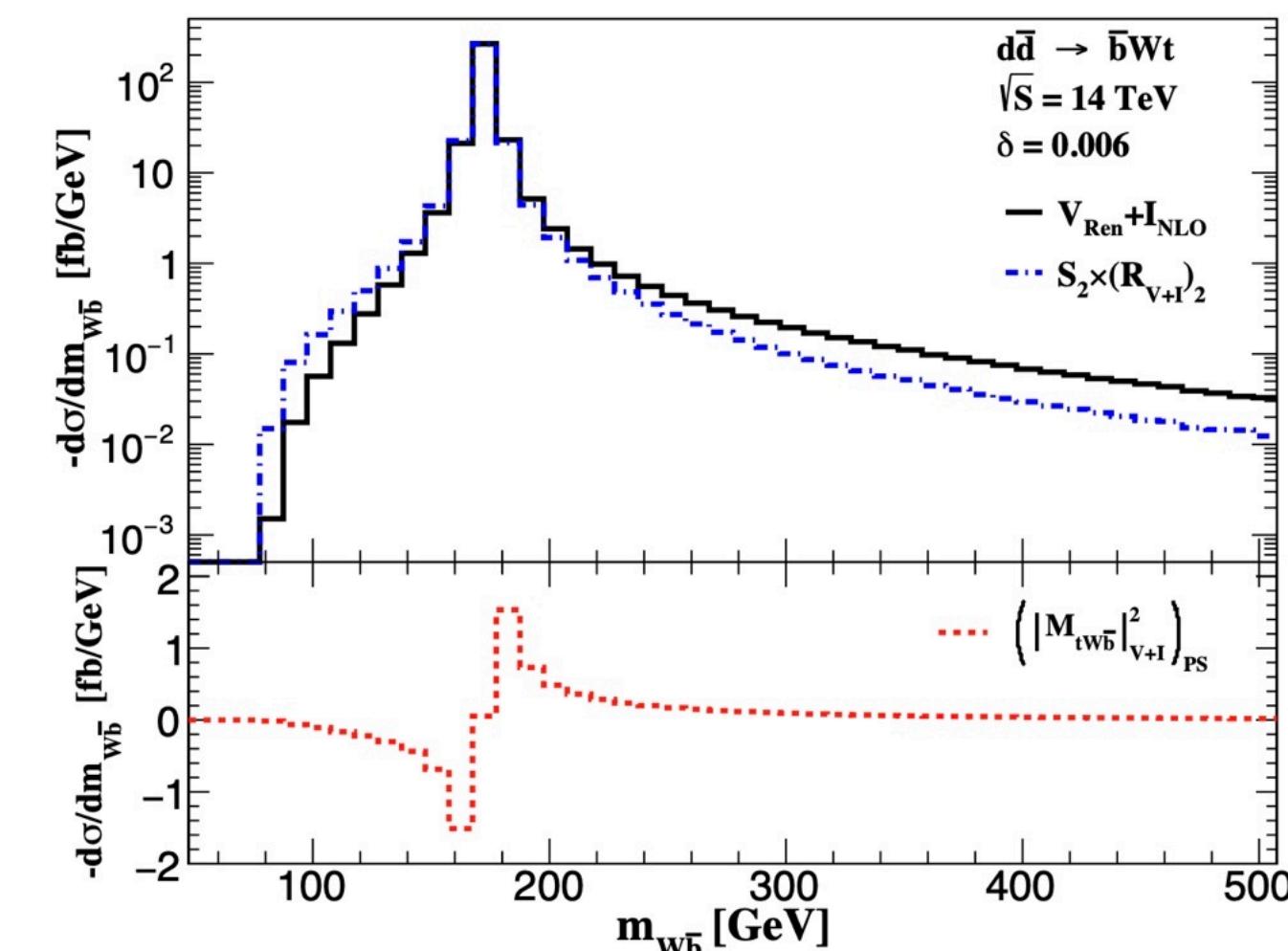
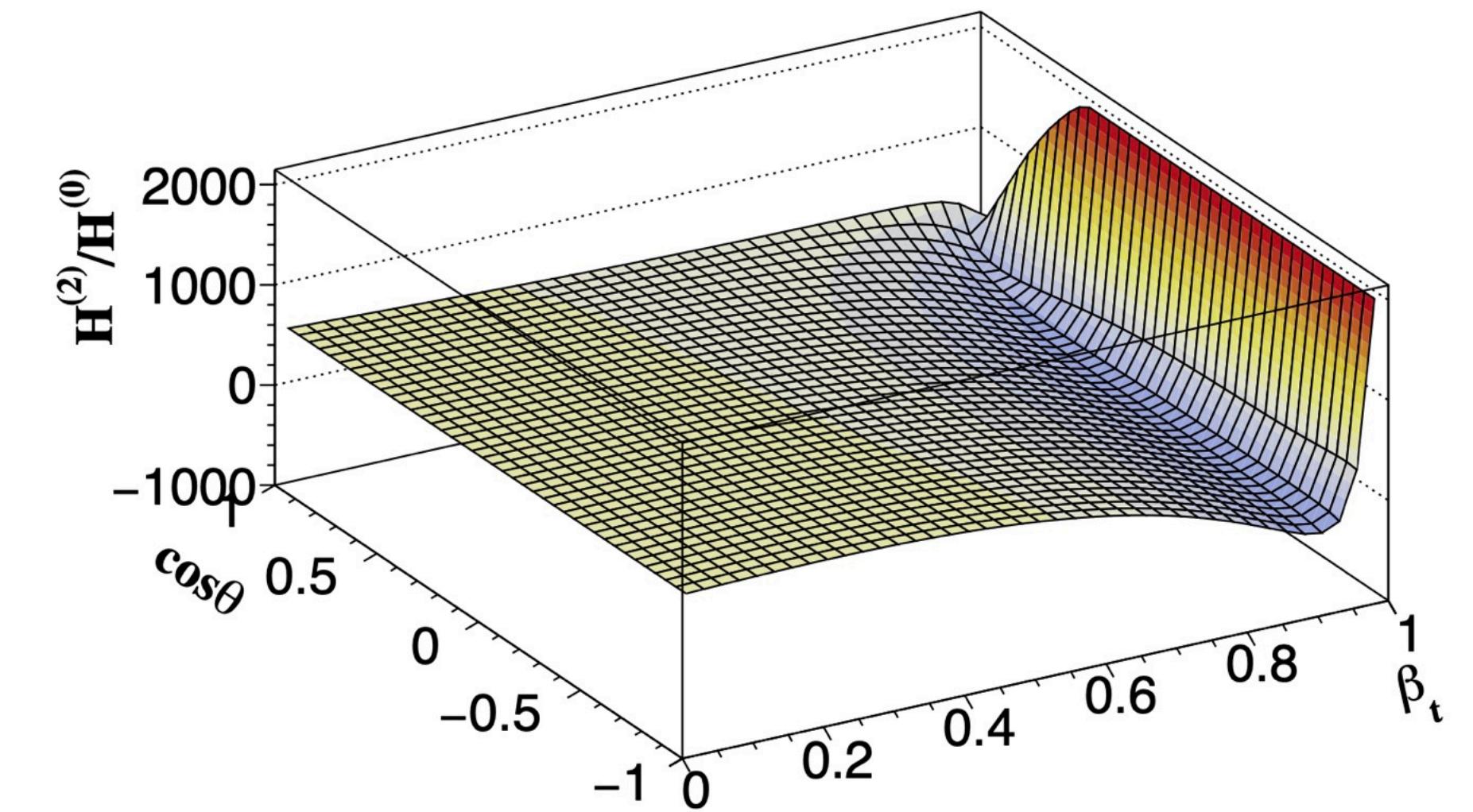
Resonance singularities cancelled by
Power Expansions
factorizable + soft gluon contribution

Dong, HTL, Li, Wang, work in progress



Summary

- Single top-quark production: a direct measurement of the CKM matrix element V_{tb} and new physics
- Toward NNLO QCD corrections to tW production
- Present the two-loop matrix element for tW production
- Resonance singularity in the tree and loop amplitude has to be subtracted
- Real-Virtual and Double real can be dealt with power expansion method





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为帮助研究生系统了解粒子物理科研现状、前沿方向、未来发展等专业知识，“微扰量子场论及其应用”前沿讲习活动将于2025年7月6日至20日在山东大学中心校区举办。7月6日报到，7月20日离会。

讲习活动以“微扰量子场论和对撞机物理”为主要内容，由电弱规范理论、量子色动力学理论、对撞机唯象学、微扰量子场论方法、有效场论思想及应用、新物理研究方法等内容组成，同时暑期学校计划安排粒子物理宇宙学、引力波探测、高能宇宙射线等方向的专题讲座。

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本次讲习活动由国家自然科学基金委理论物理专项、国家自然科学基金委创新群体项目资助。本次学术活动由山东大学主办。

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