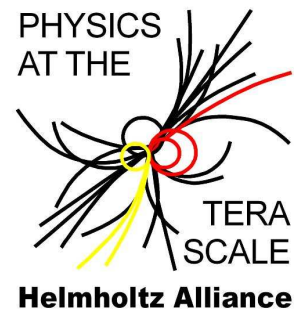


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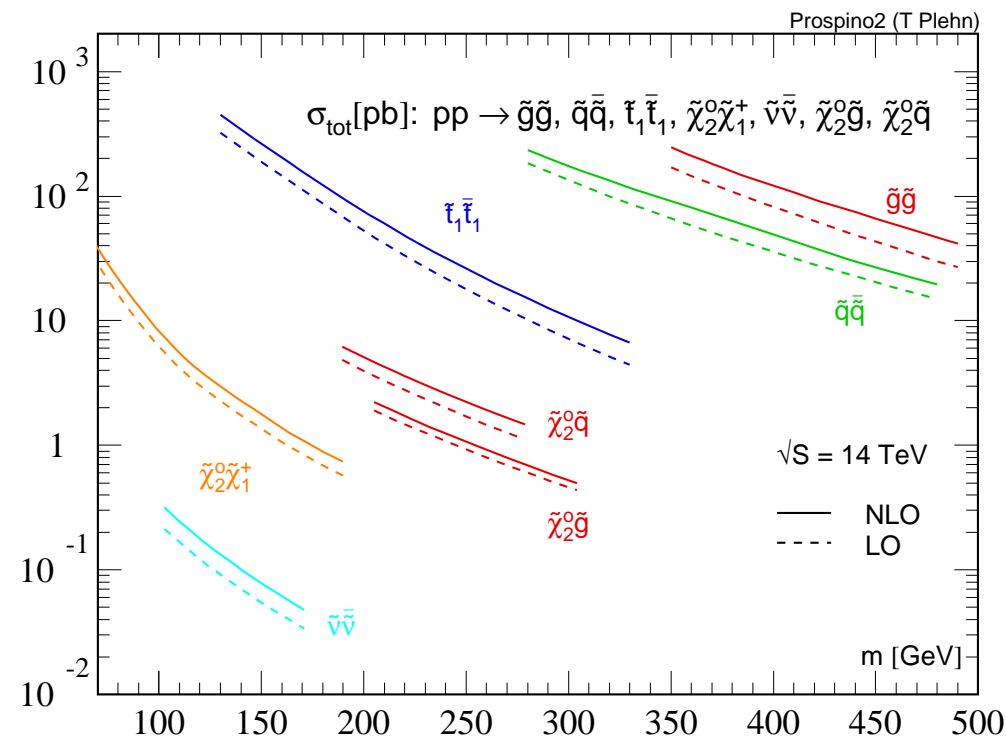


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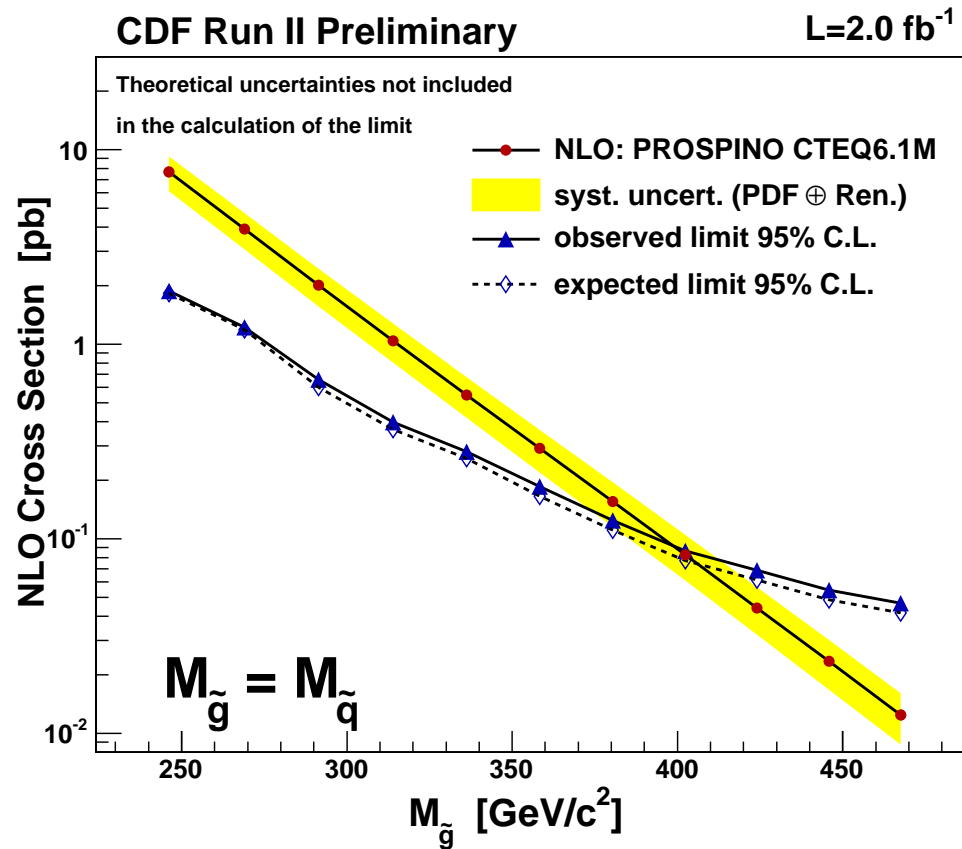
- MSSM: minimal content of SUSY particles + R -parity conservation
- At the LHC dominant sparticle production channels involve squarks (\tilde{q}) and gluinos (\tilde{g}) in the final state ($q\bar{q}$, $q\tilde{q}$, $q\tilde{g}$, $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}$ pairs)



[Plehn, Prospino2]

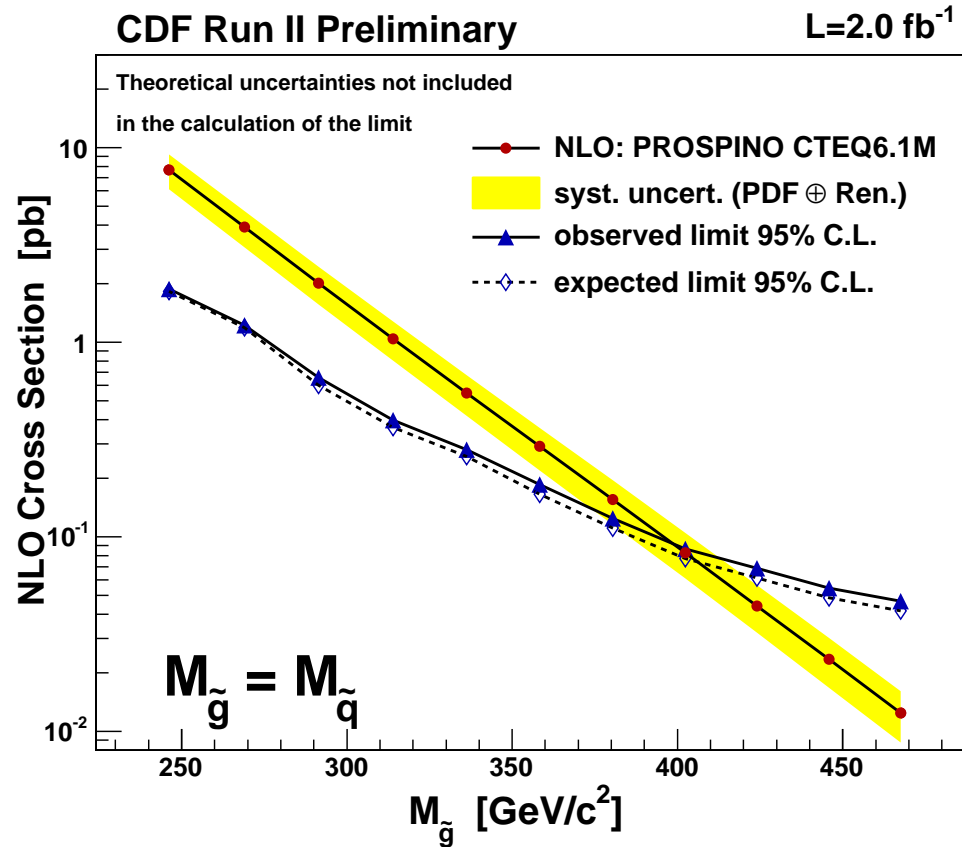
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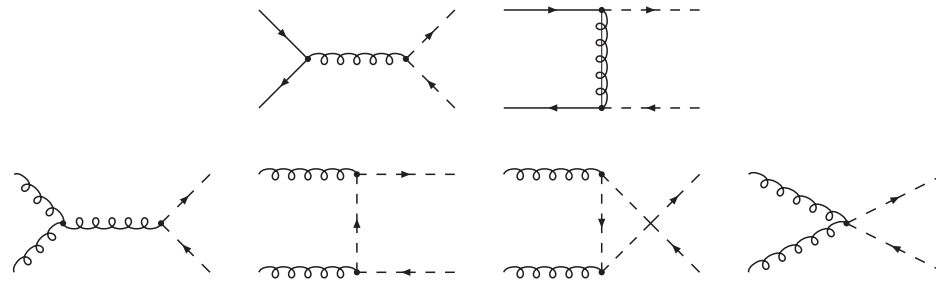
- Predictions for total cross sections can be also useful for mass determination in case of discovery [[Baer et al'07](#)]

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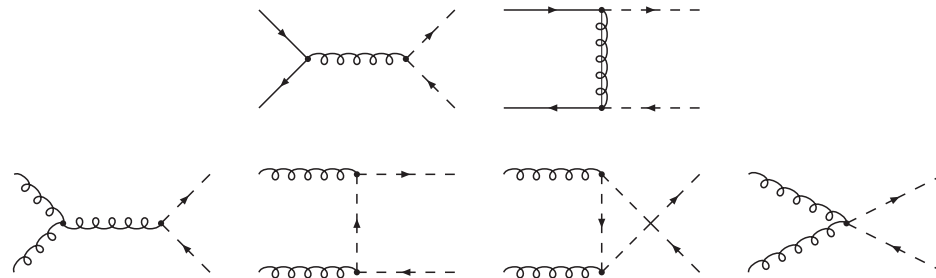


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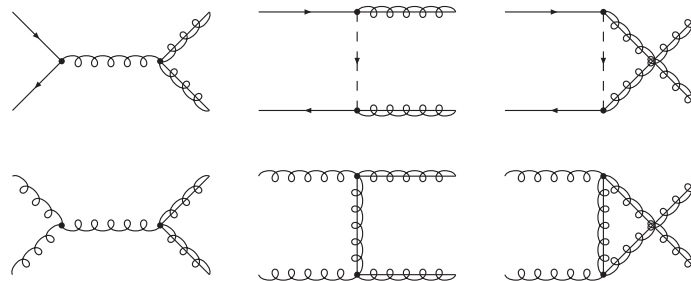
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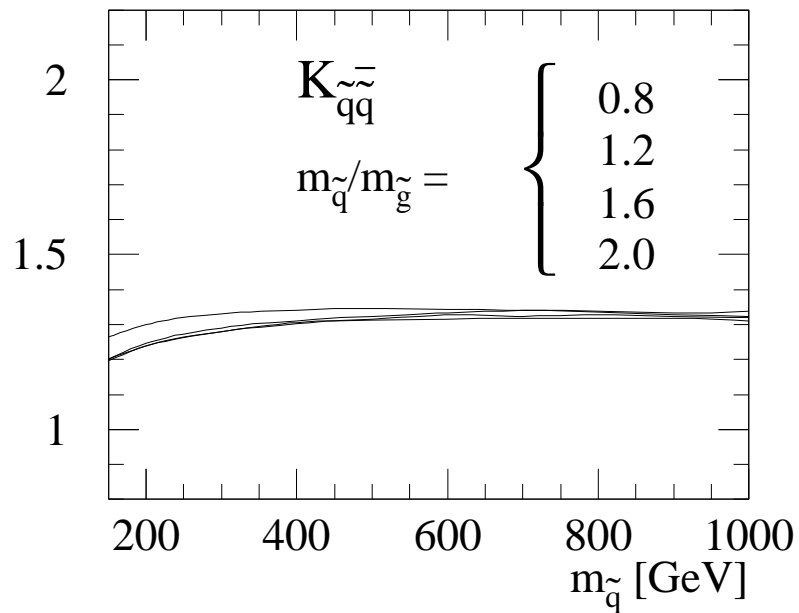
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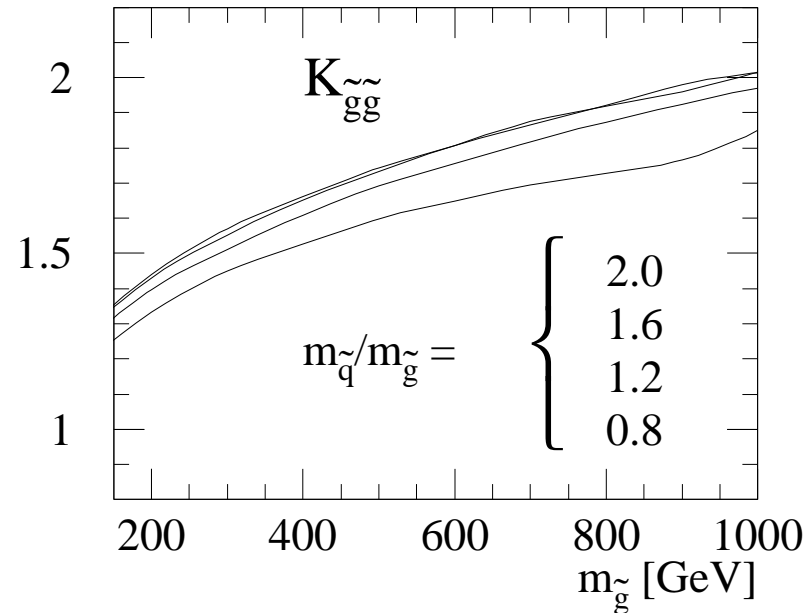
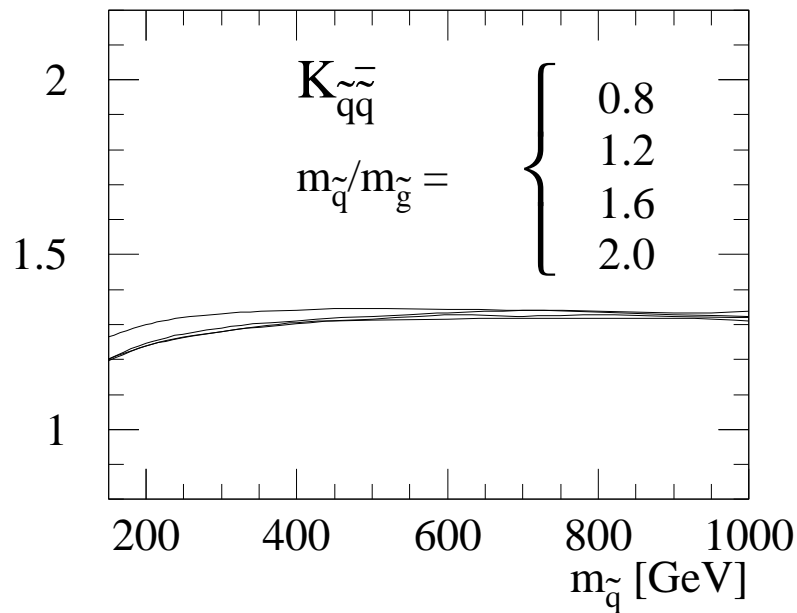
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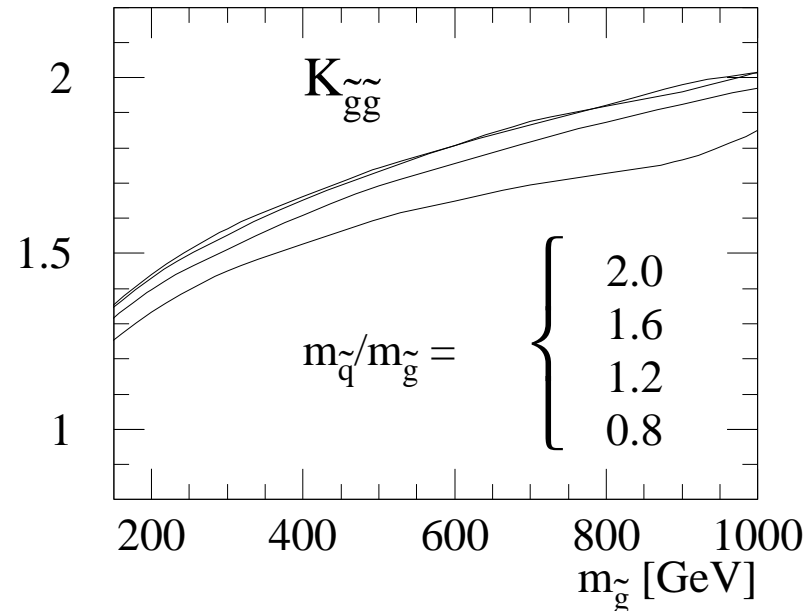
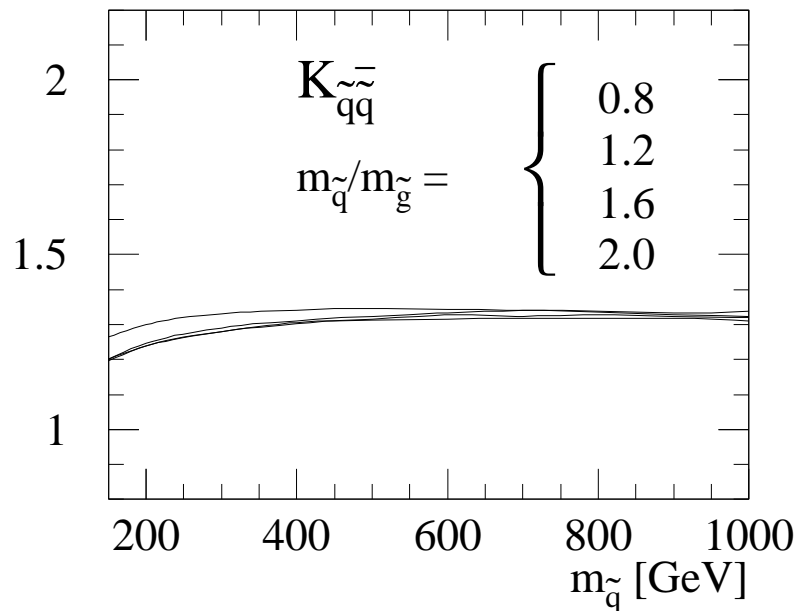
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⇒ Increase of the cross sections due to NLO SUSY-QCD corrections over the whole range of masses covered by the LHC, large K-factors for $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}$

Note: assume all squarks (\tilde{q}_L, \tilde{q}_R) mass degenerate; no final state stops ⇒

[Beenakker, Krämer, Plehn, Spira, Zerwas'98]

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and the logarithmic terms **exponentiate**

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(\mathcal{C} contains finite contributions)

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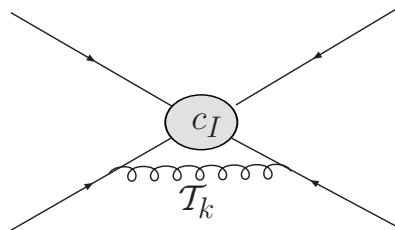
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Schematically:



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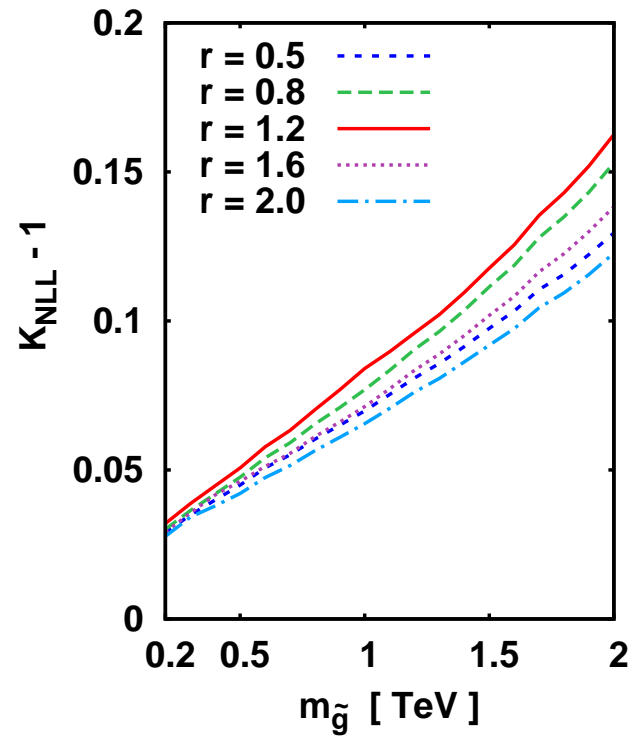
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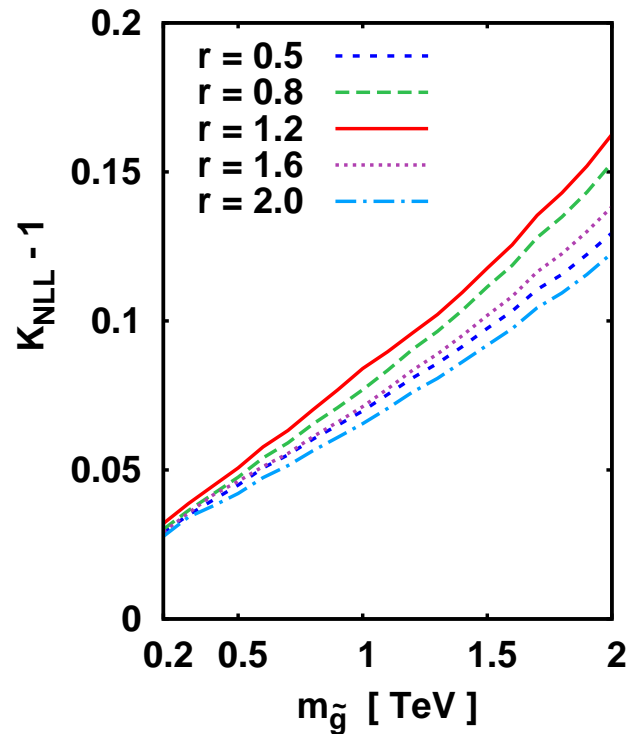
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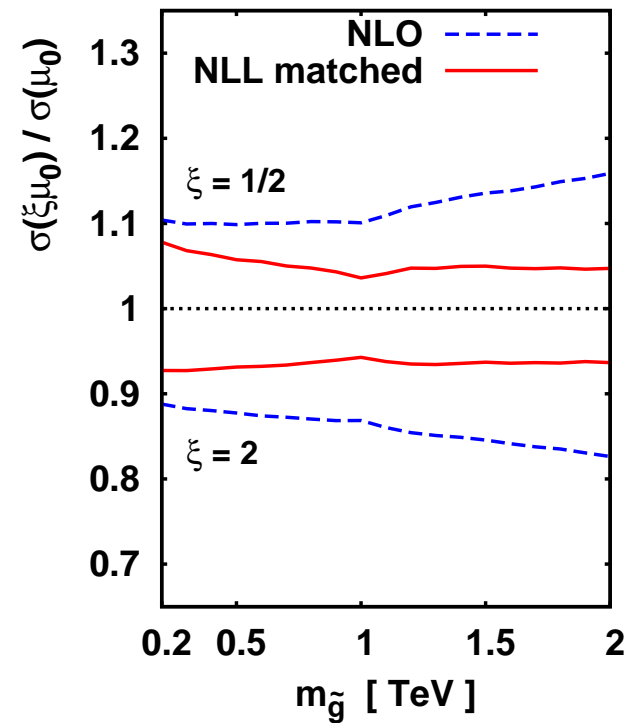
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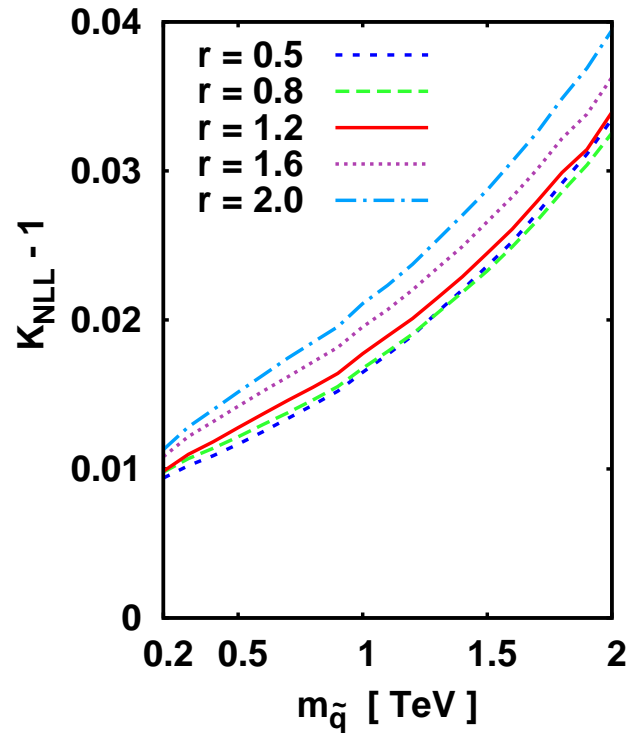
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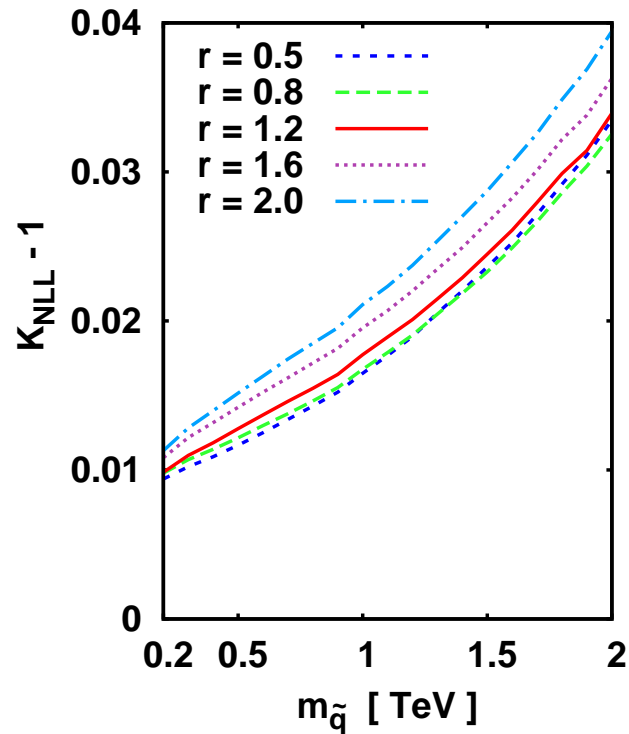
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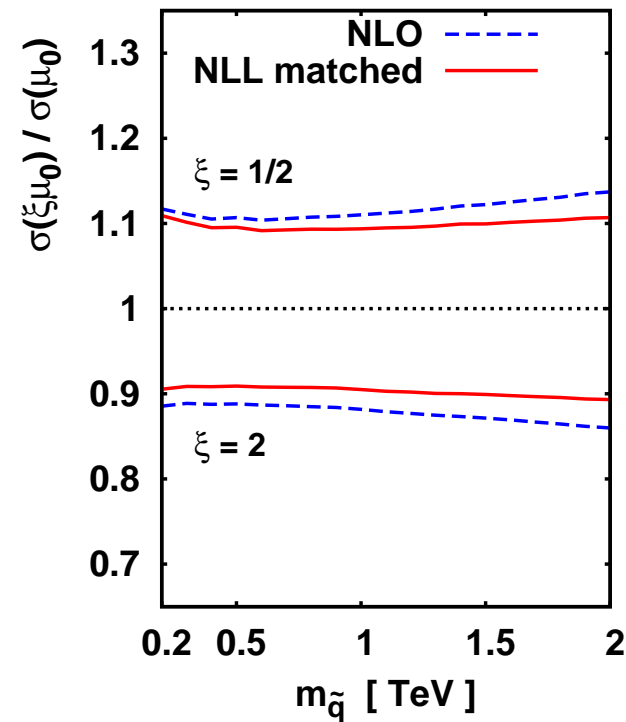
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can also be resummed [*Fadin, Khoze, Sjöstrand' 90*] [*Catani, Mangano, Nason, Trentadue'96*]

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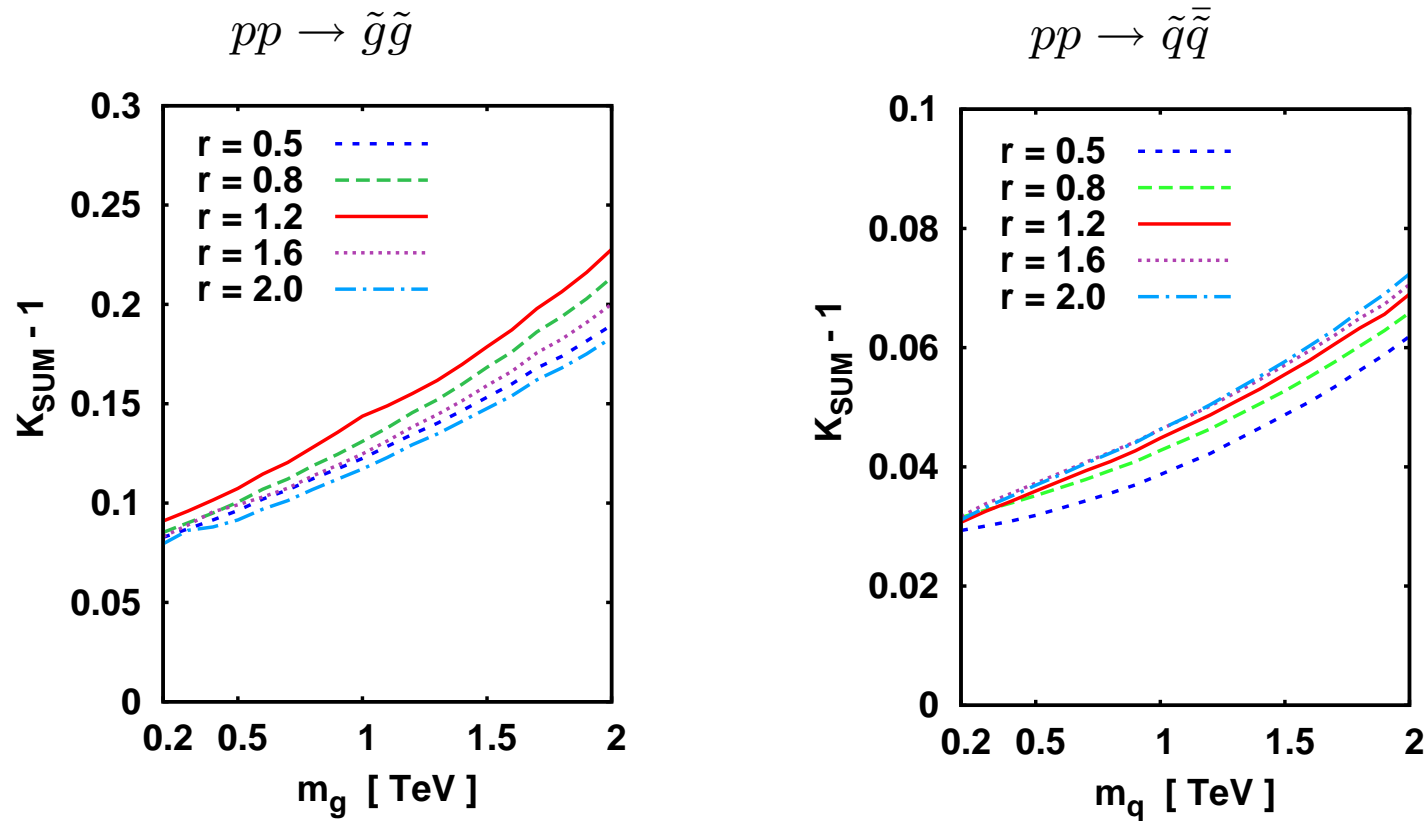
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[AK, L. Motyka, in prep.]

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