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## VOLUME 1

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## VOLUME 2

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*Or why not to use  $b\bar{b}H$  as a  
probe of the bottom Yukawa*

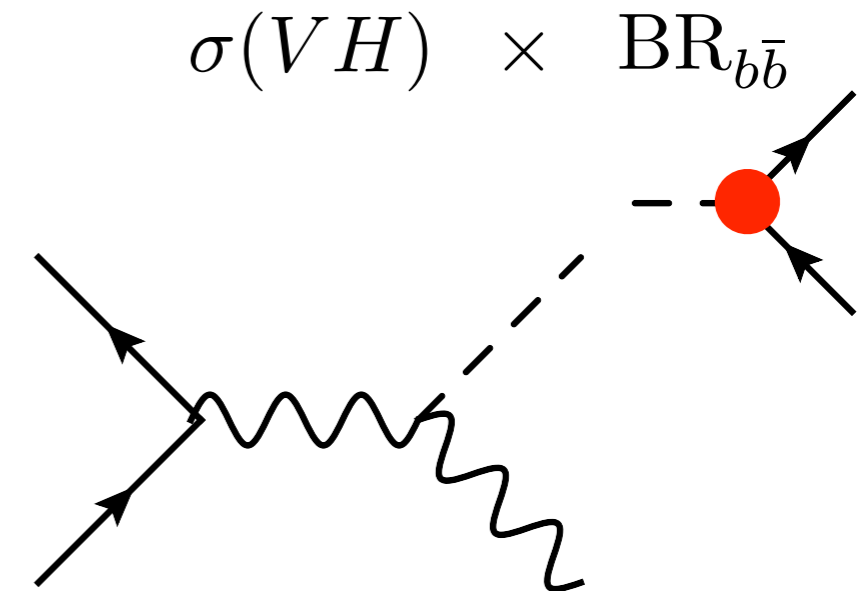
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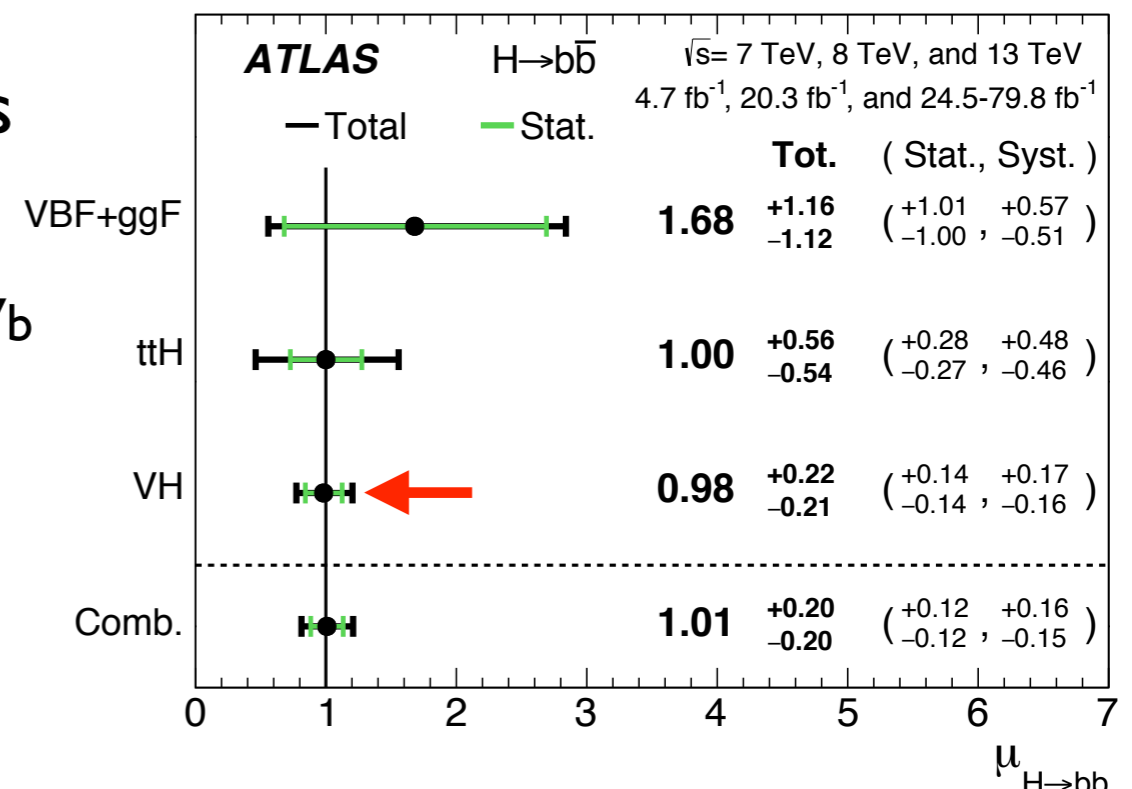
# Probing $\gamma_b$



- The main current source of sensitivity for  $\gamma_b$  is via the  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  decay mode
- ATLAS and CMS measurements are compatible with SM, with  $\sim 15\%$  uncertainty
- The  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  branching fraction may be affected by other unconstrained channels ( $H \rightarrow gg$  and  $H \rightarrow \text{inv.}$ )
- Can we use  $b\bar{b}H$  production to extract  $\gamma_b$  (as  $t\bar{t}H$  for  $\gamma_t$ )?



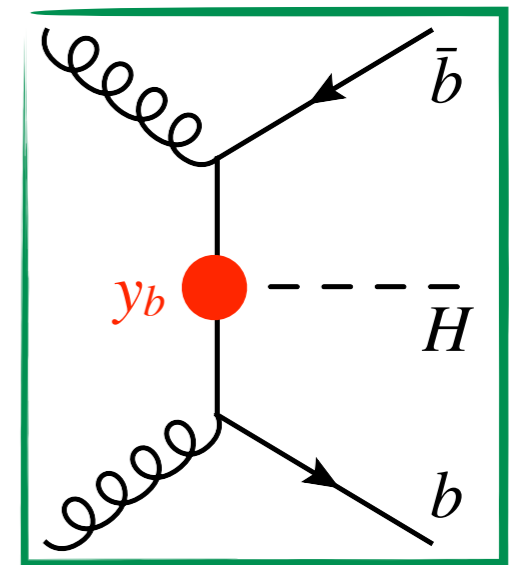
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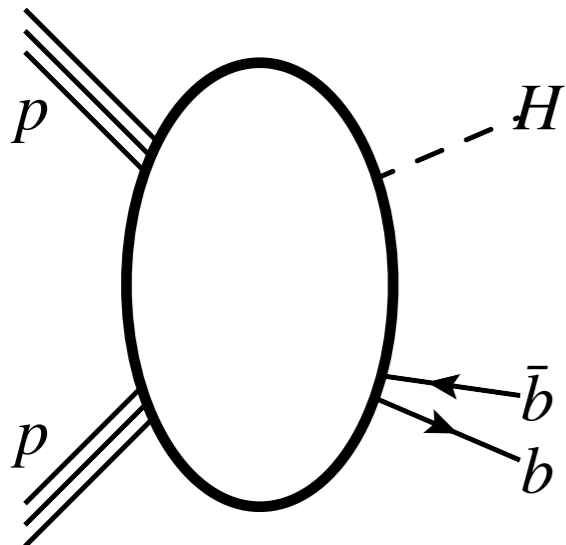
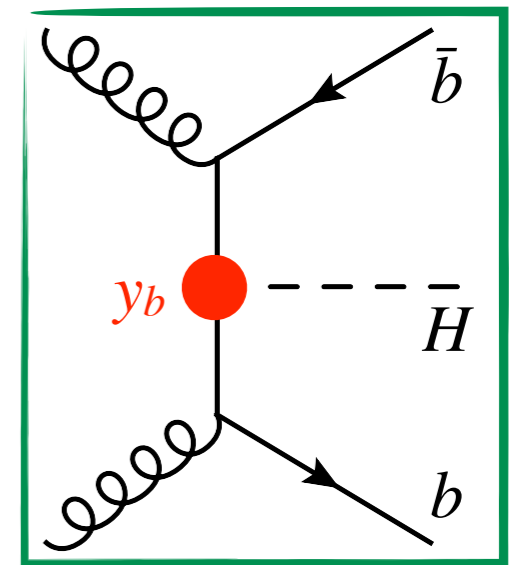
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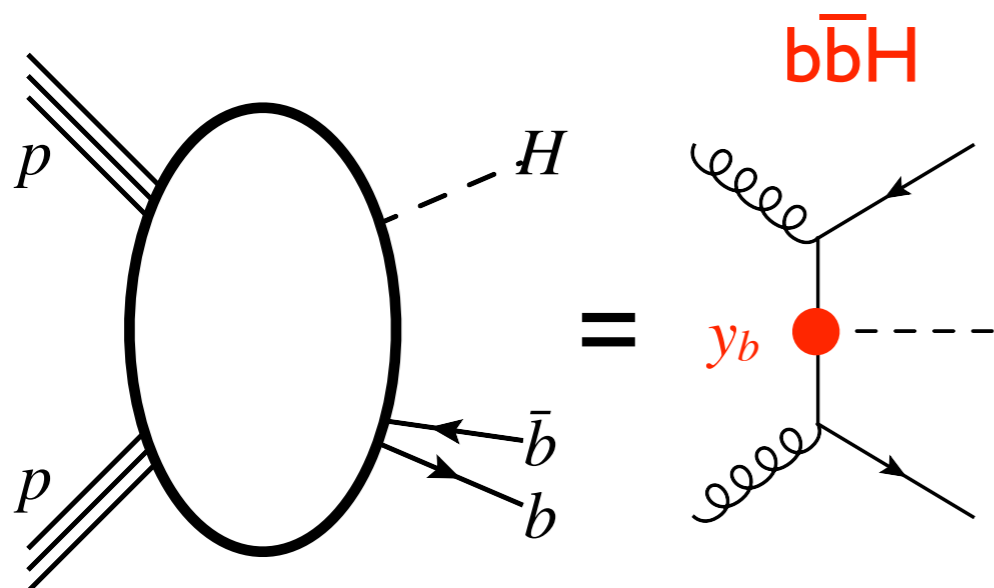
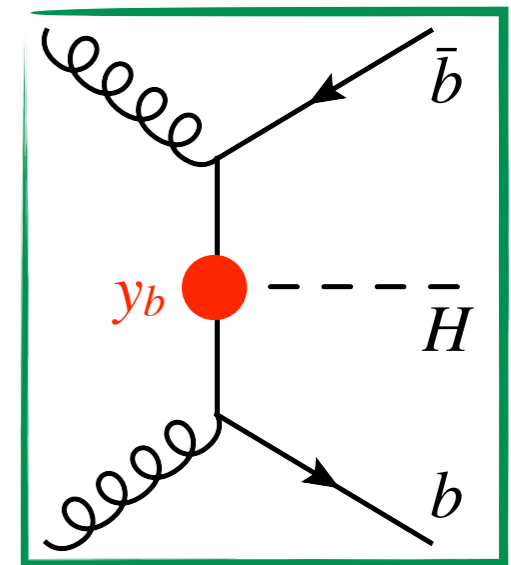
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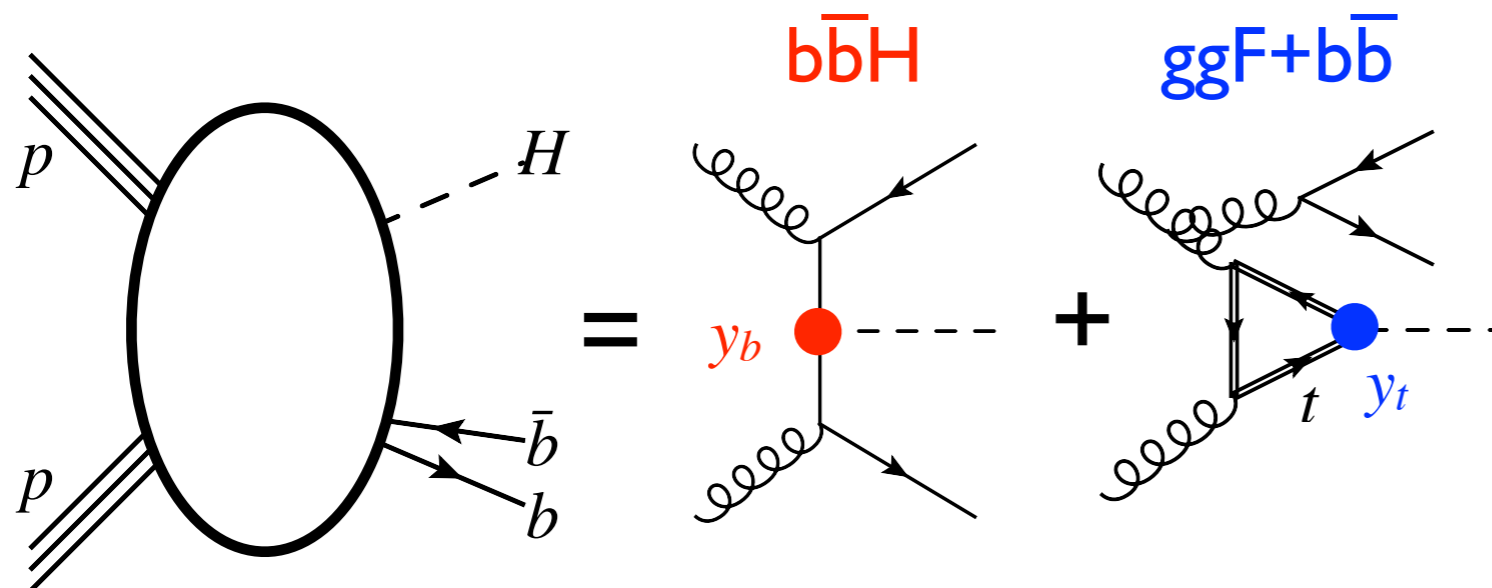
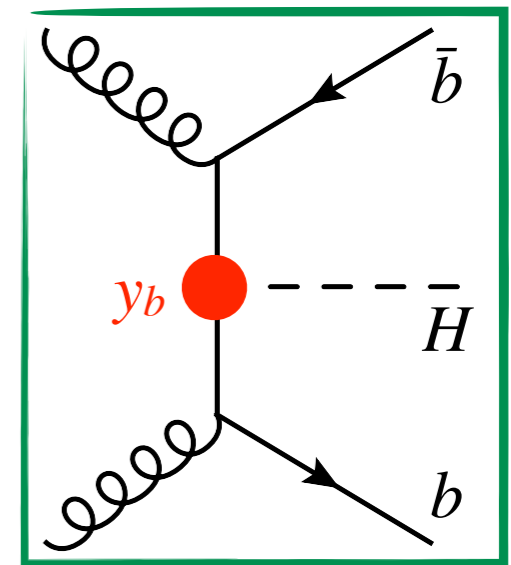
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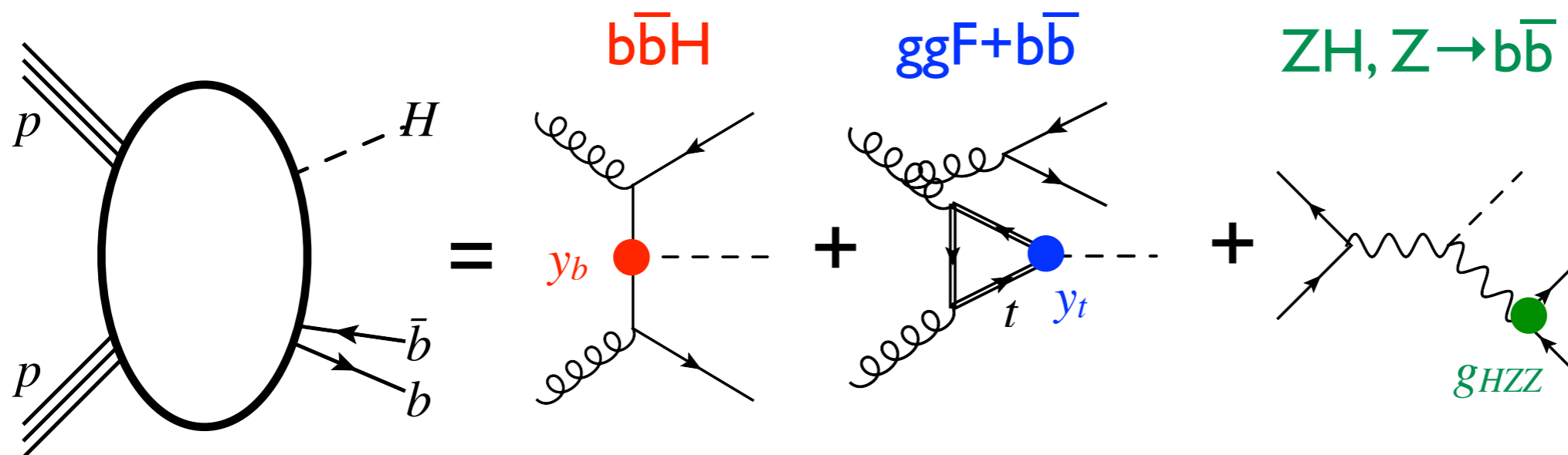
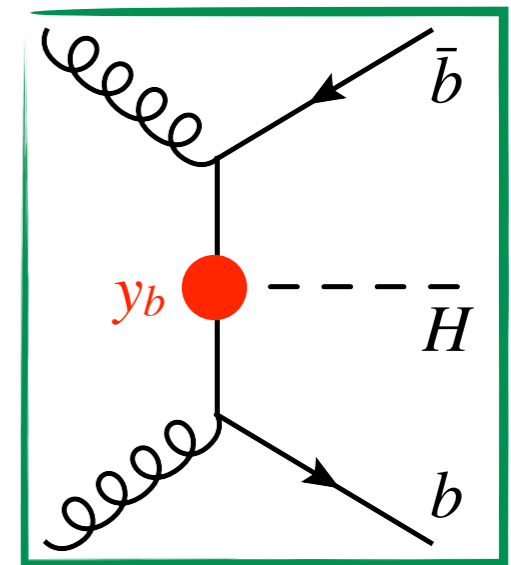
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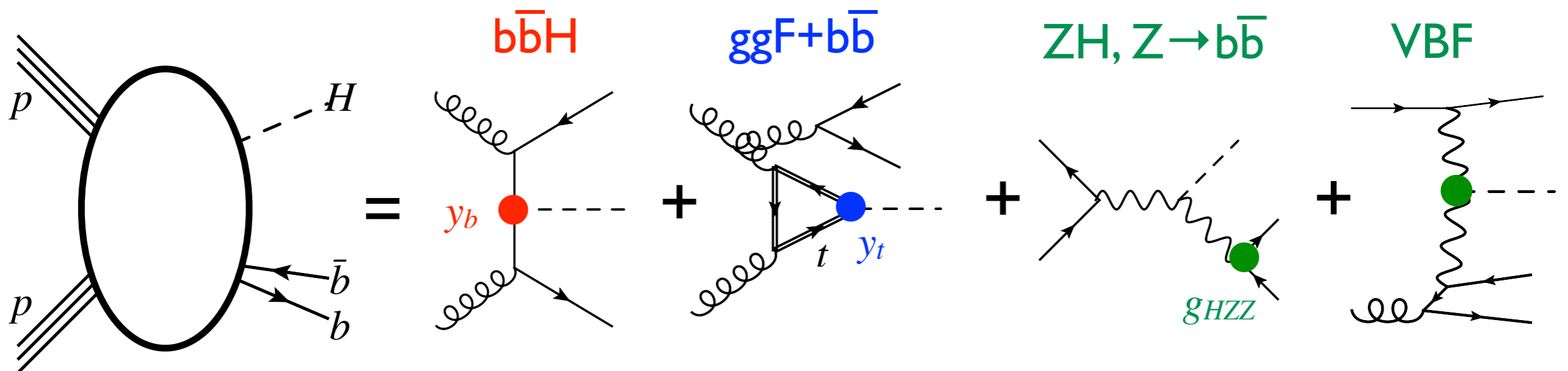
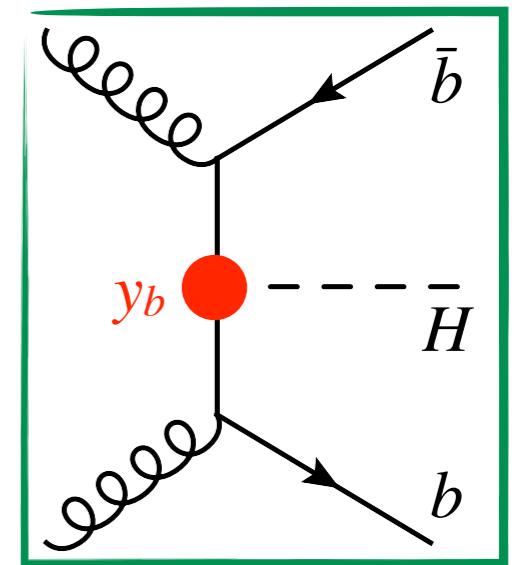
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Remember: Higgs couplings  $\sim$  mass





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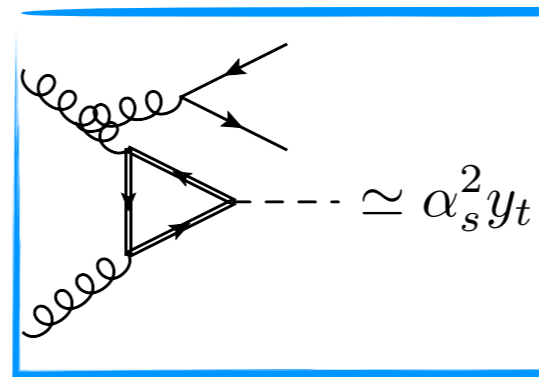
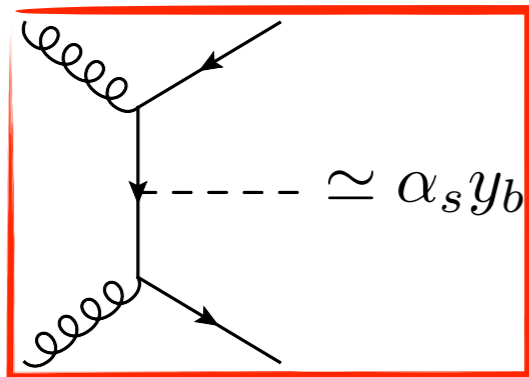


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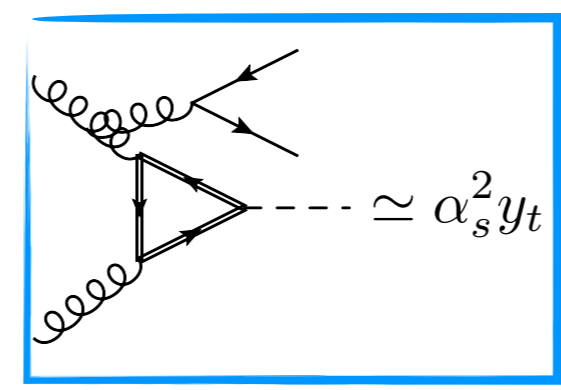
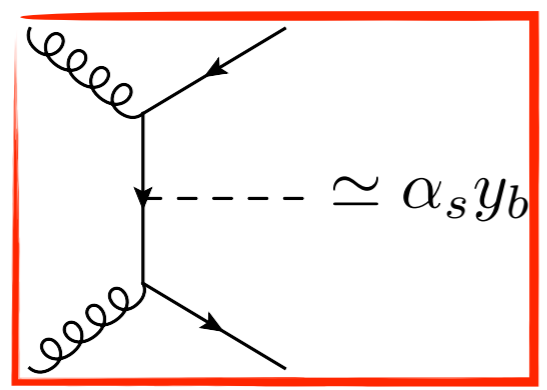
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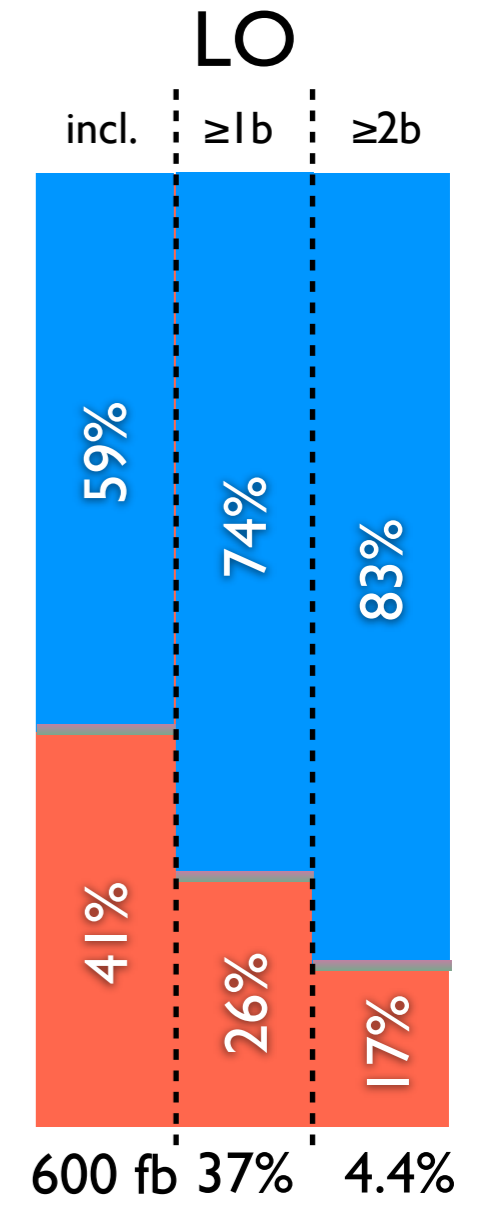
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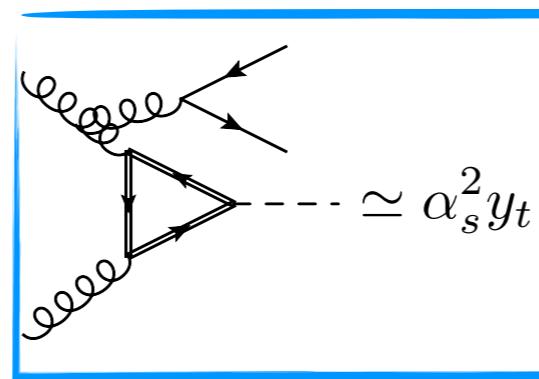
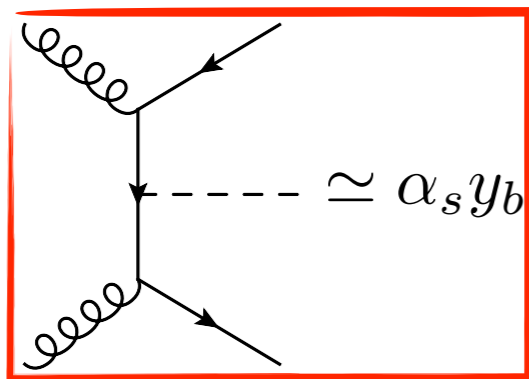
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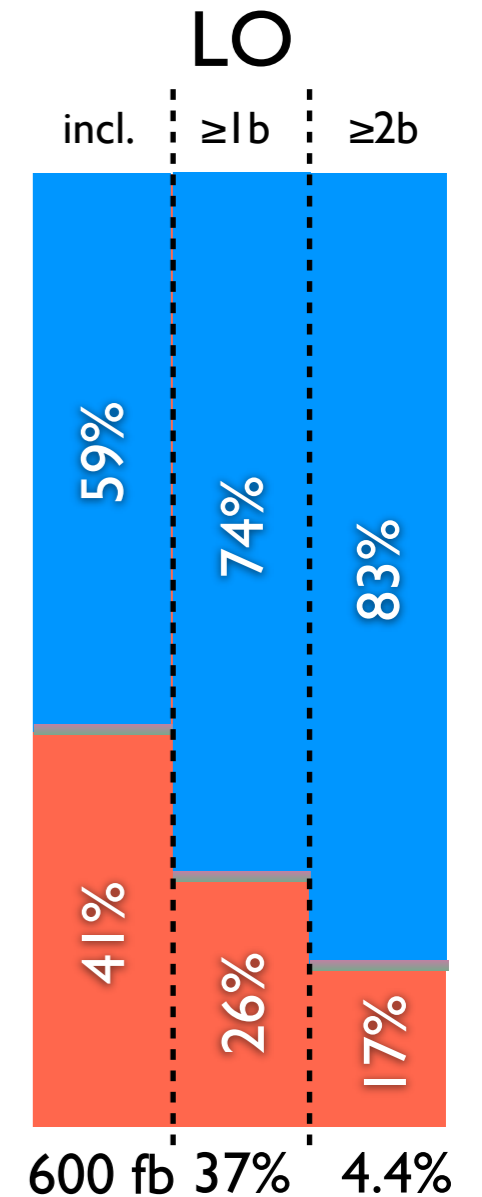
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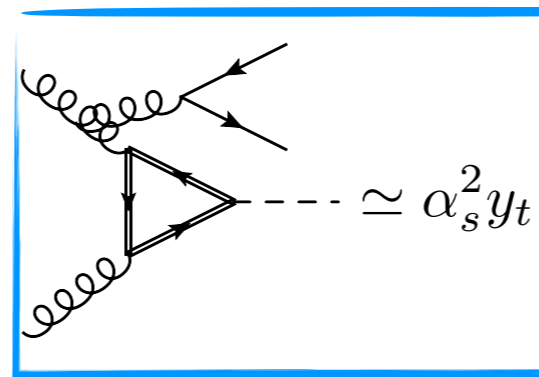
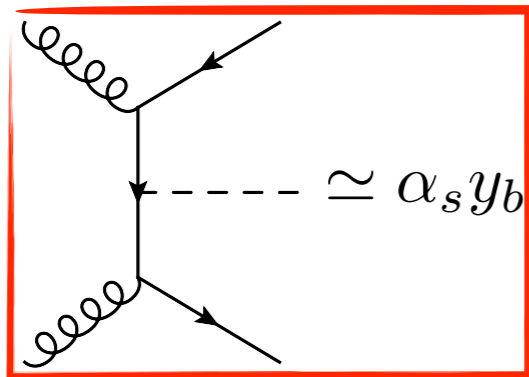
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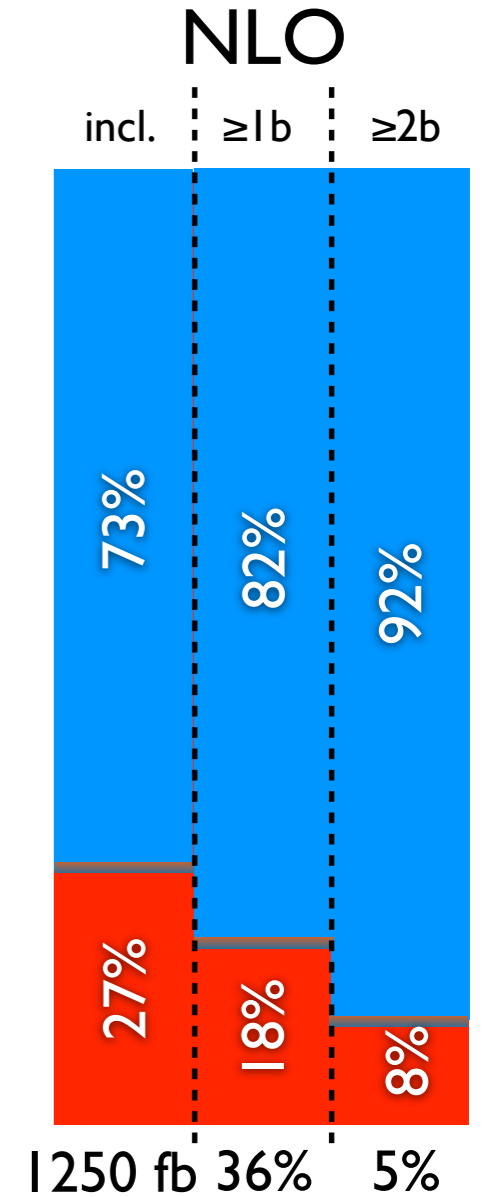
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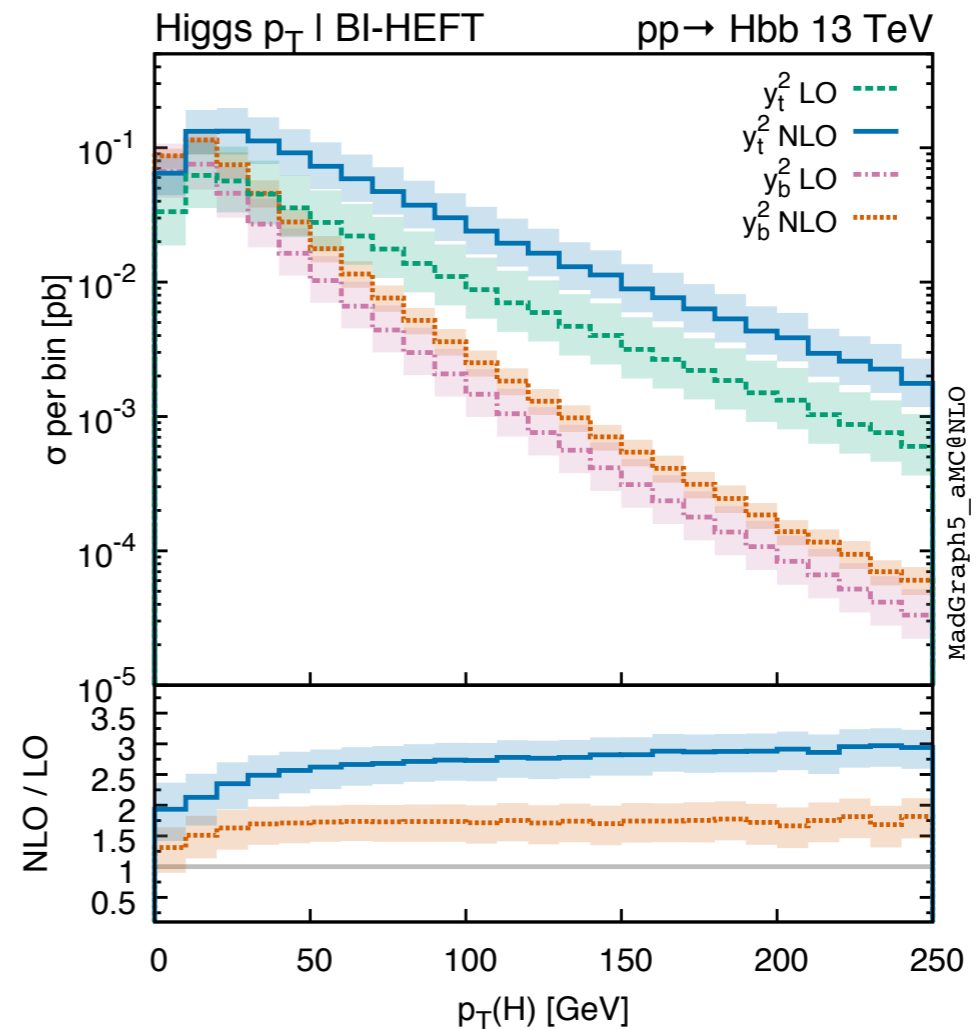
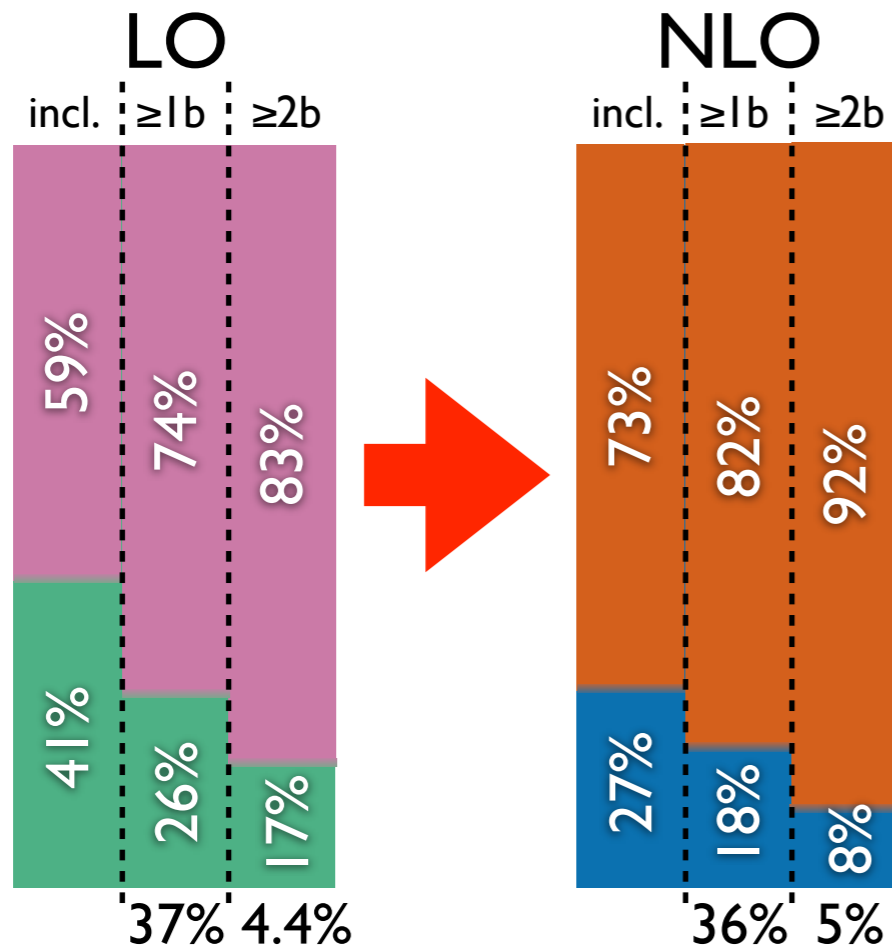


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- At NLO (including terms  $\sim y_t^2$  formally N<sup>3</sup>LO for the  $y_b^2$  piece), the situation gets even worse



# $b\bar{b}H$ at NLO

- The  $y_t^2$  contribution has very large NLO corrections: inclusively,  $K=2.5$ ! For  $y_b^2$   $K=1.5$ . The  $y_b^2$  contribution to  $b\bar{b}H$  is further suppressed
- Both  $K$  factors grow with the Higgs  $p_T$ , with  $y_t^2$  showing a much harder spectrum





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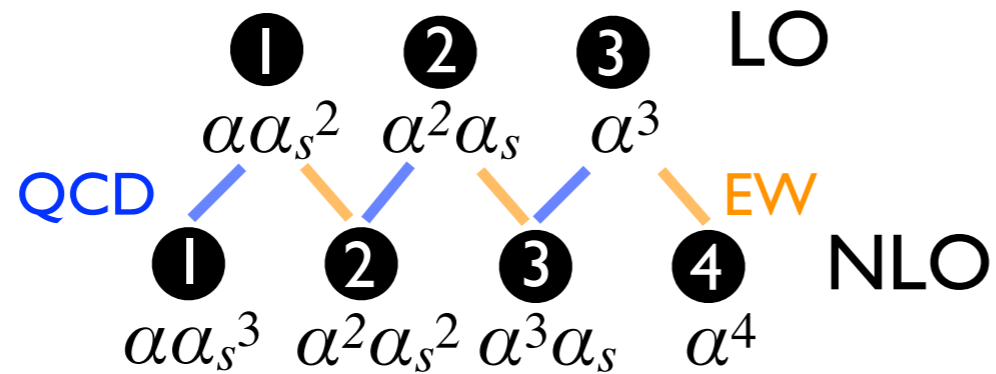


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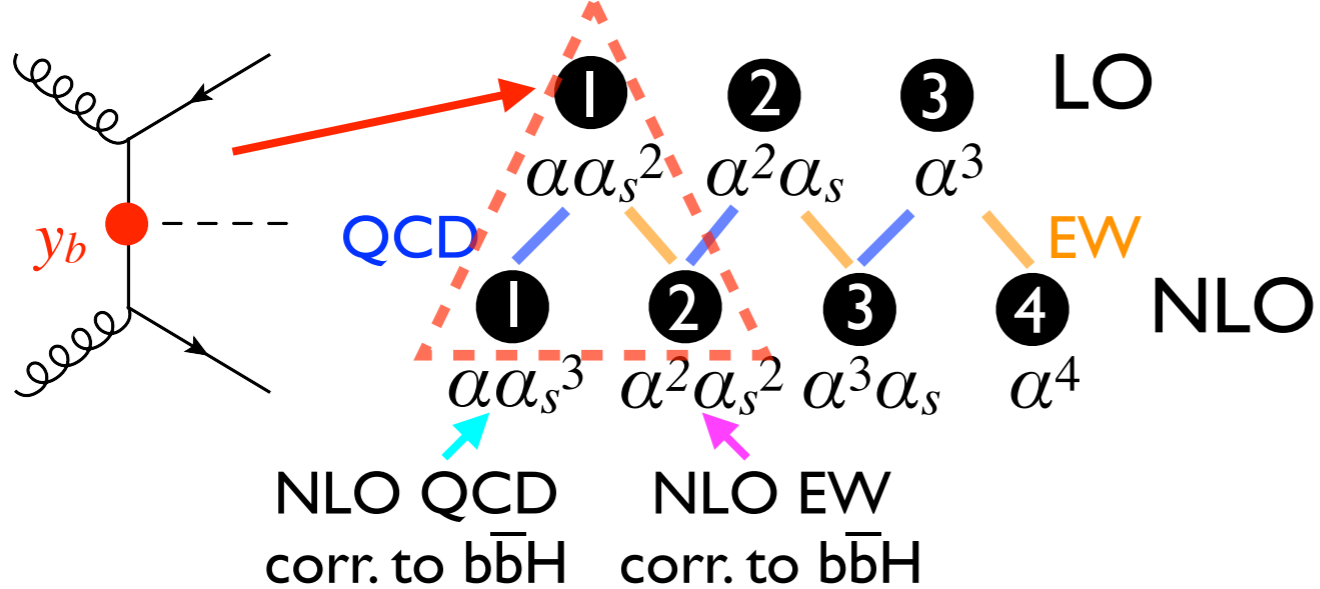
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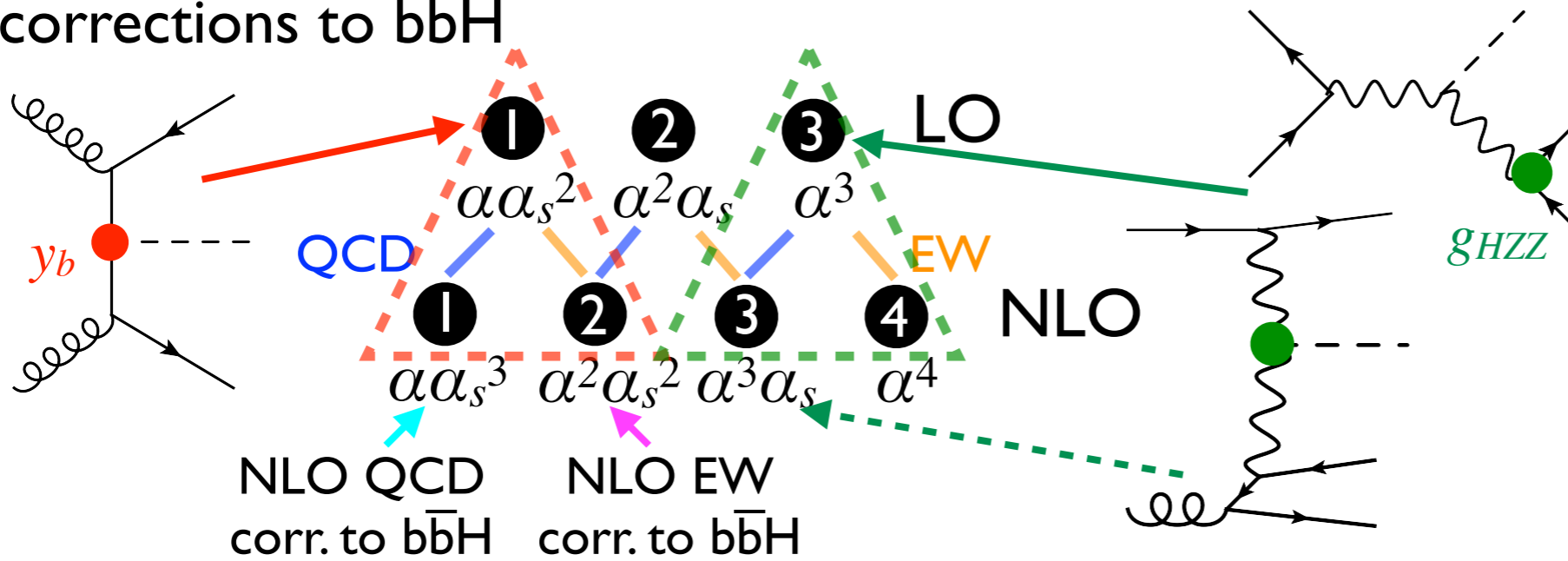


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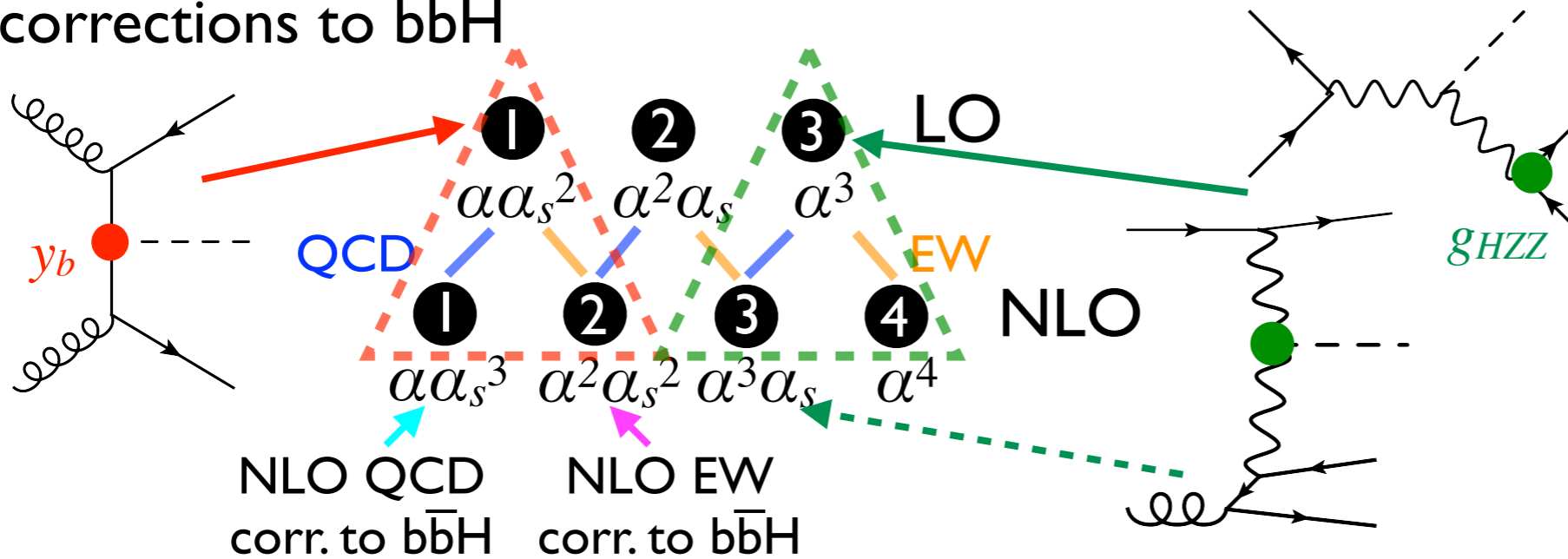


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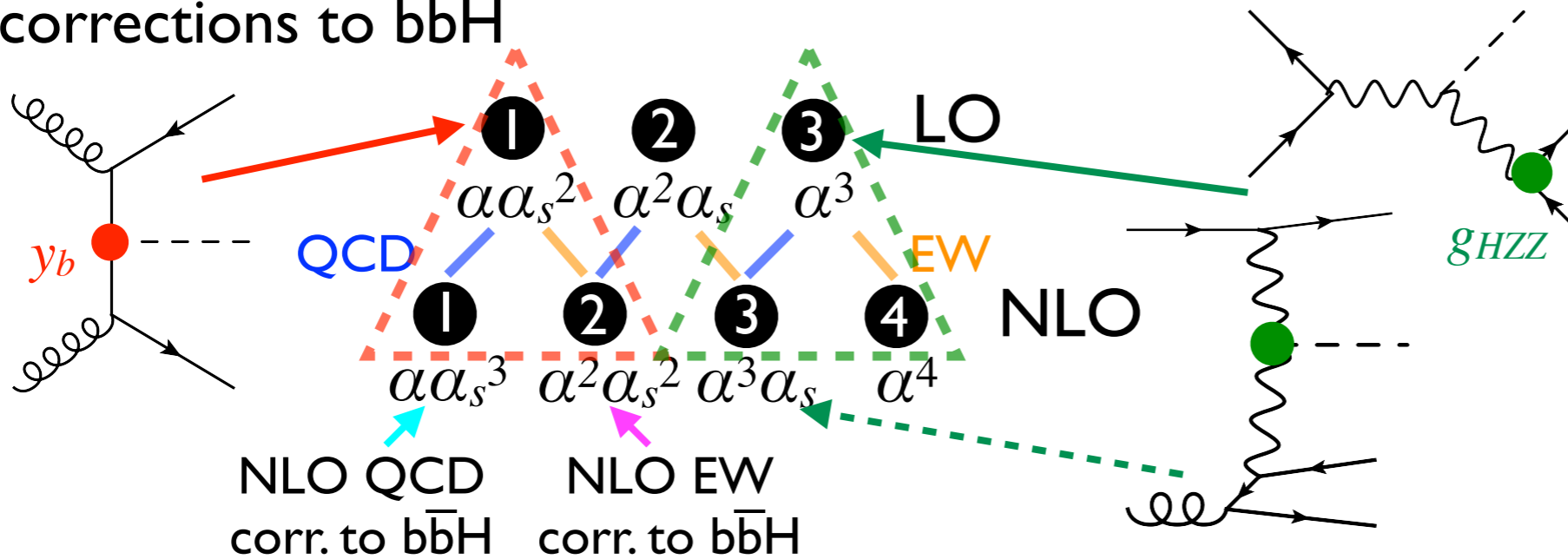


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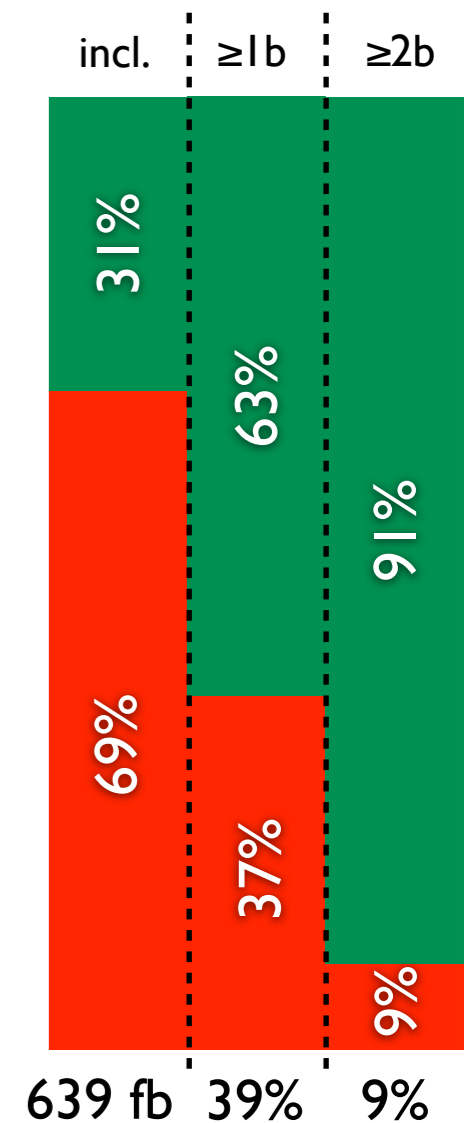
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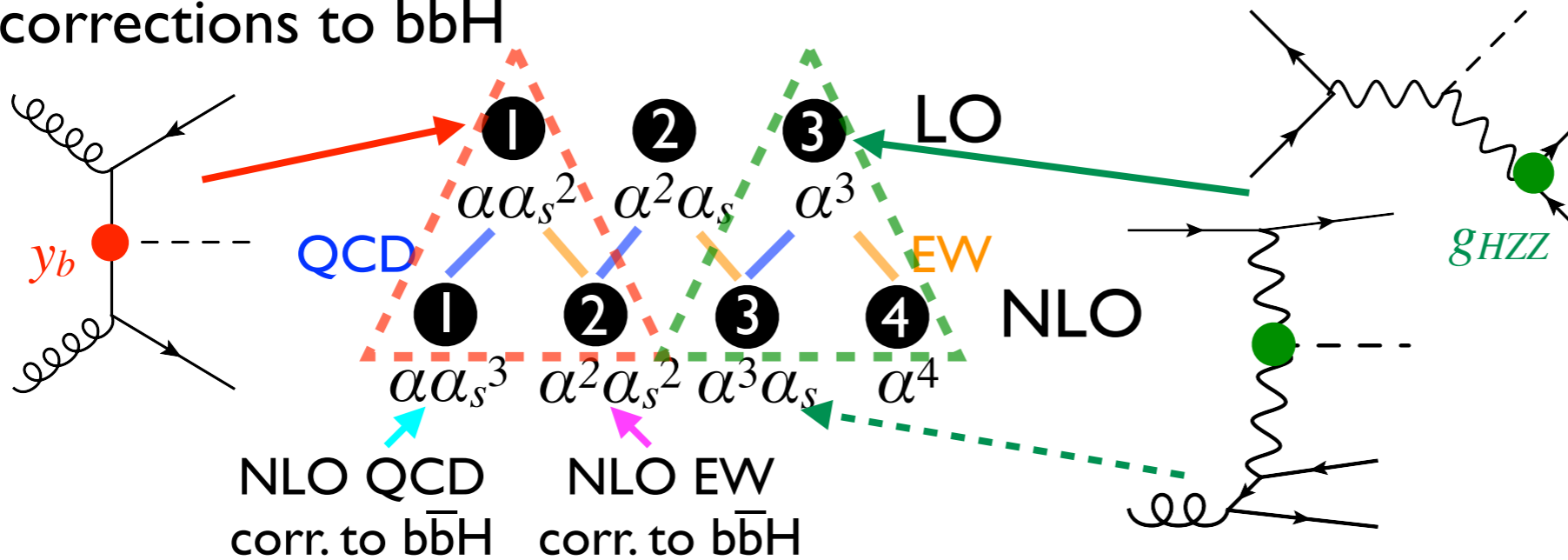
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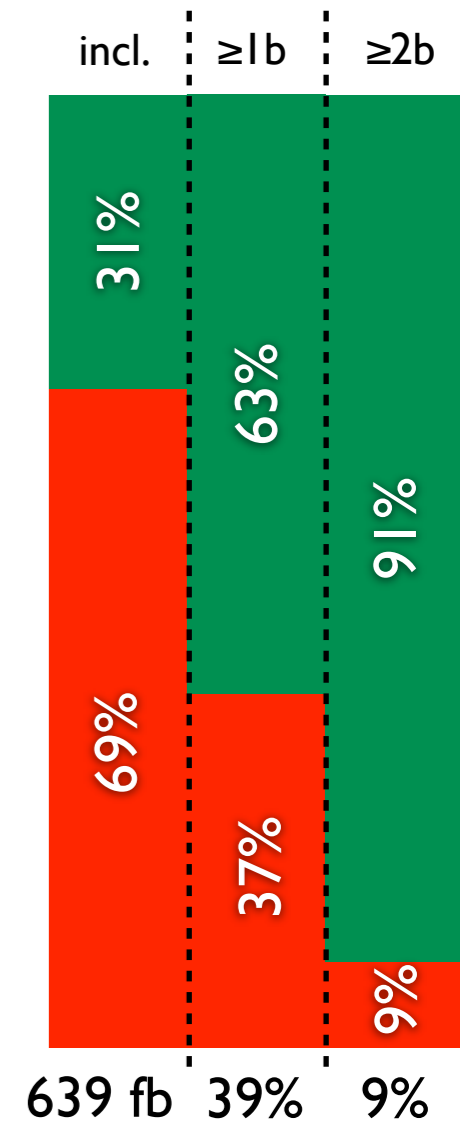
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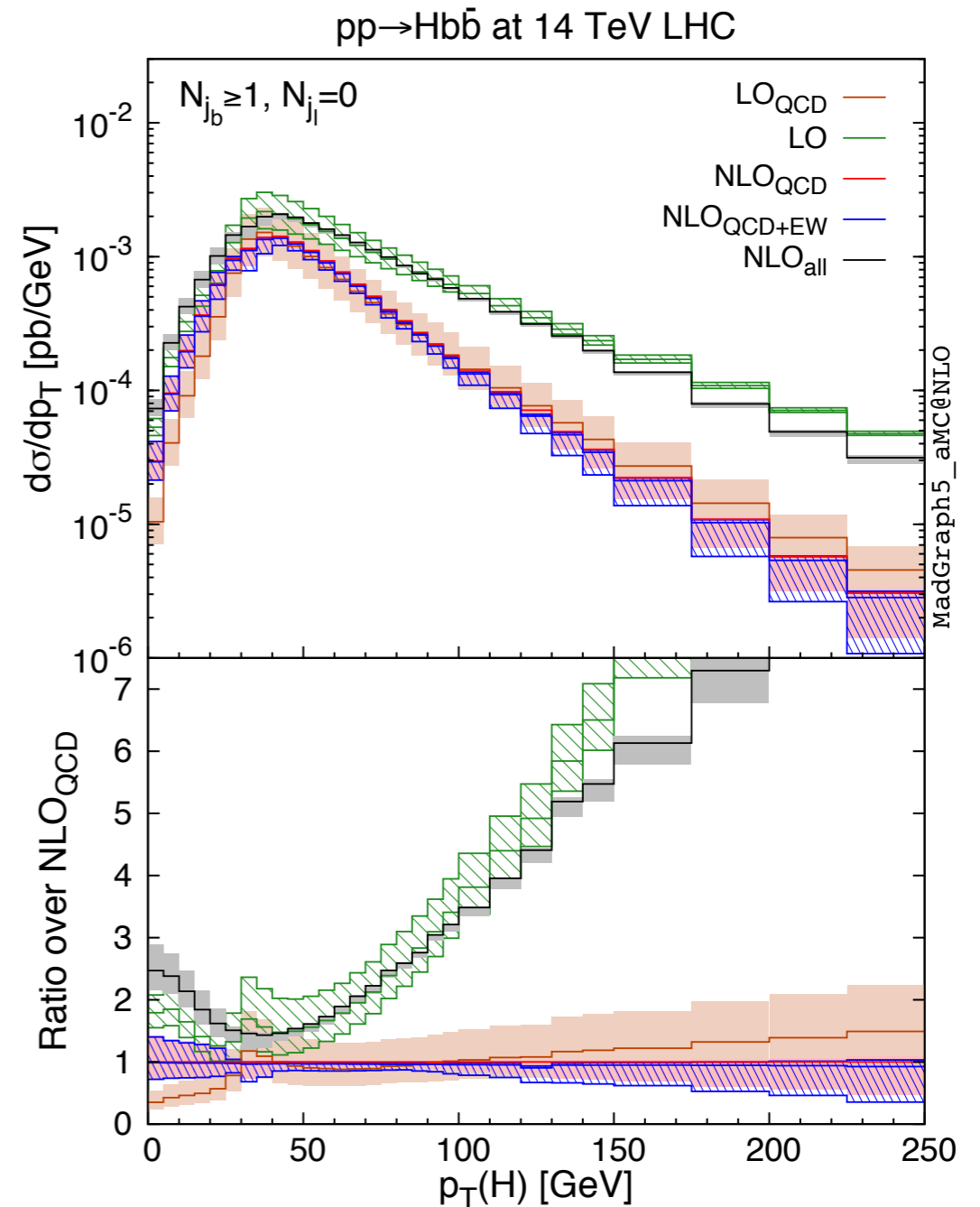
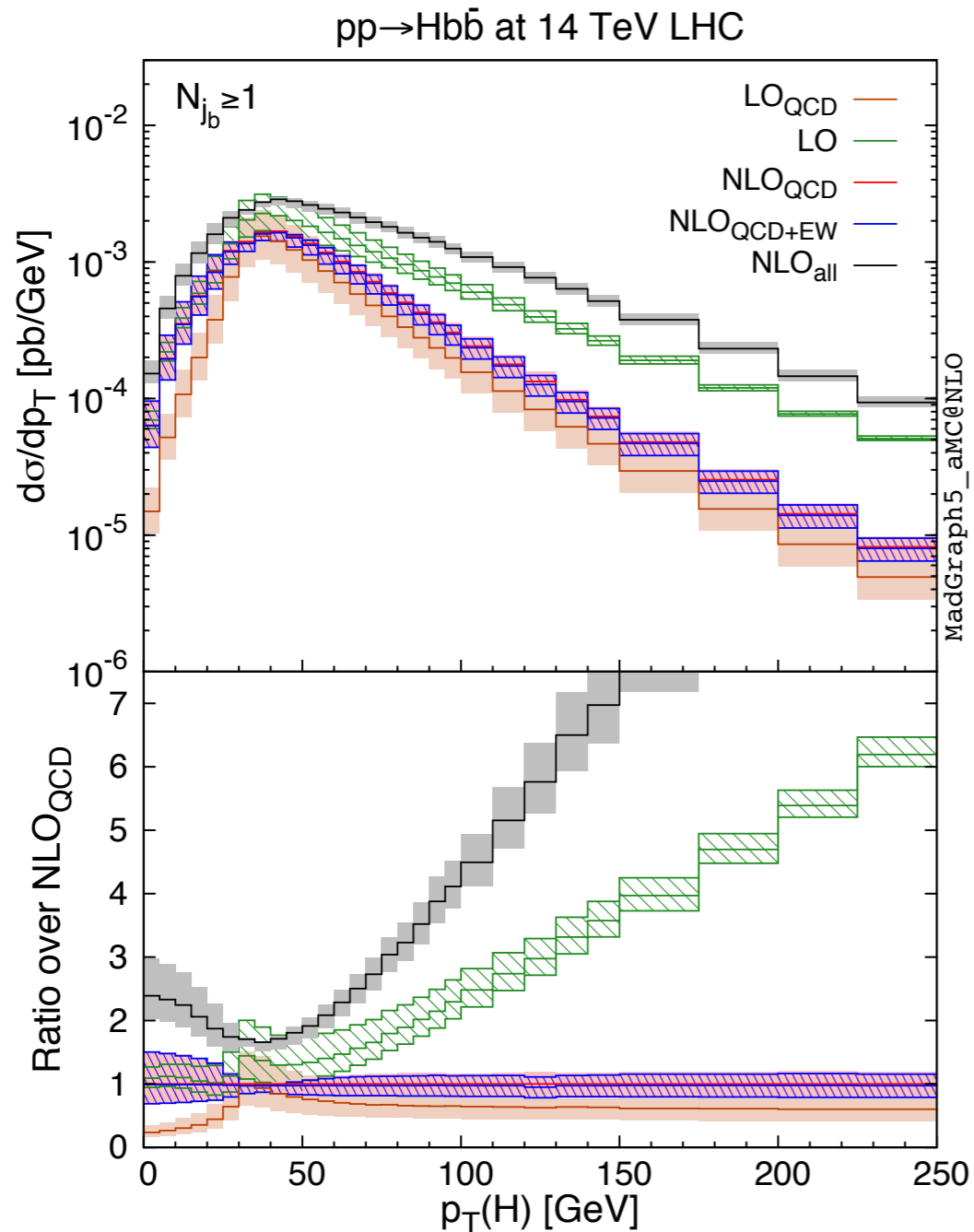


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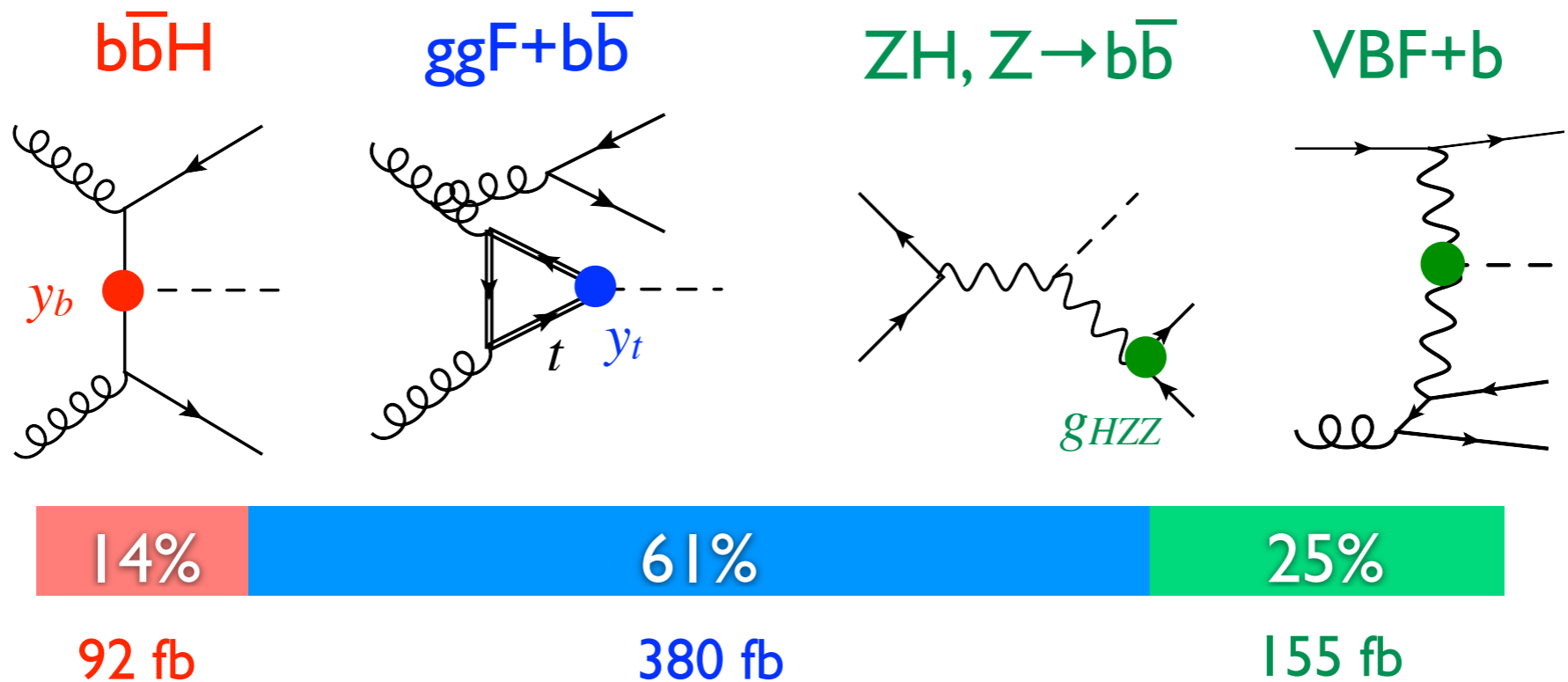
$$N_b \geq 1$$

light jet veto



# Goodbye $y_b$ ...

- Putting all together, asking for 1 b jet ( $a_{k_T}, R=0.4, p_T > 30 \text{ GeV}, |\eta| < 2.5$ )



$b\bar{b}H$  final state is only marginally sensitive to  $y_b$

This holds true in the SM, and BSM for  $O(1)$  effects on  $y_b$

For extra Higgs bosons ( $\neq 125 \text{ GeV}$ ), estimates of sensitivity should account for all the backgrounds

Higgs decay remains the most effective way to constrain  $y_b$



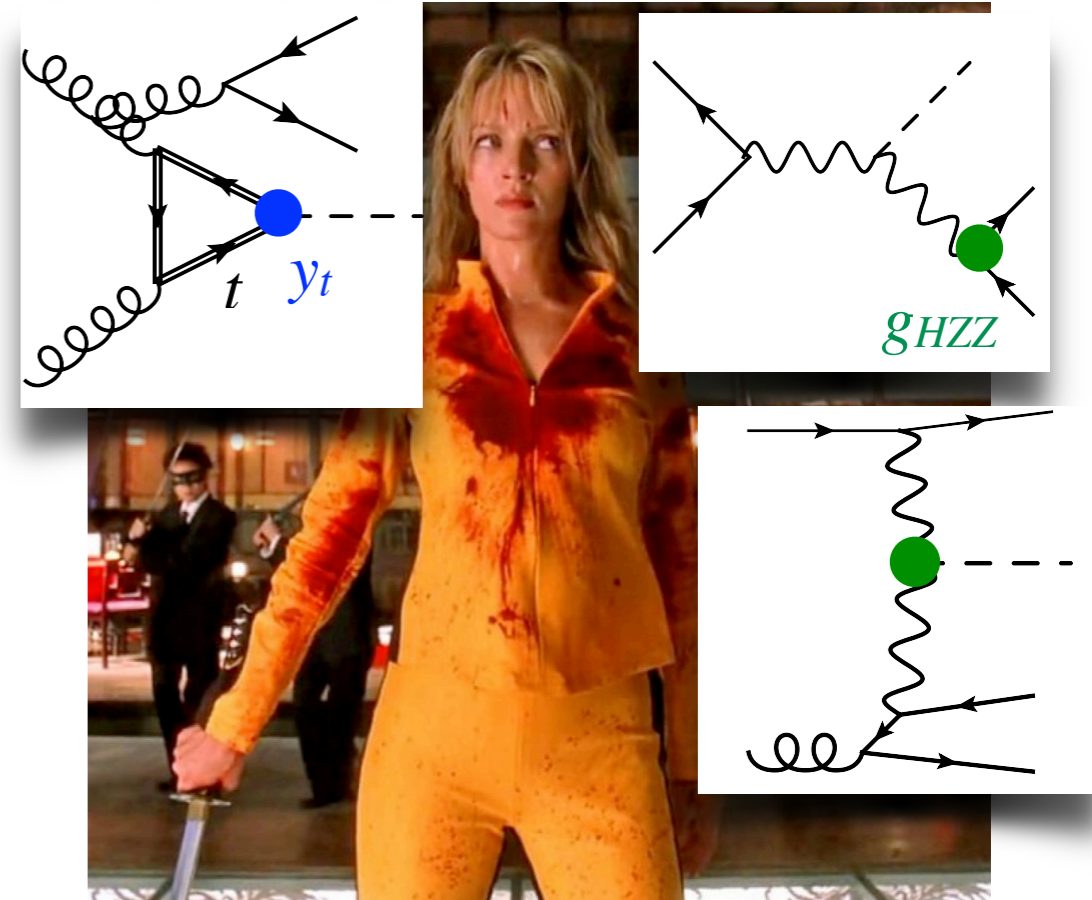
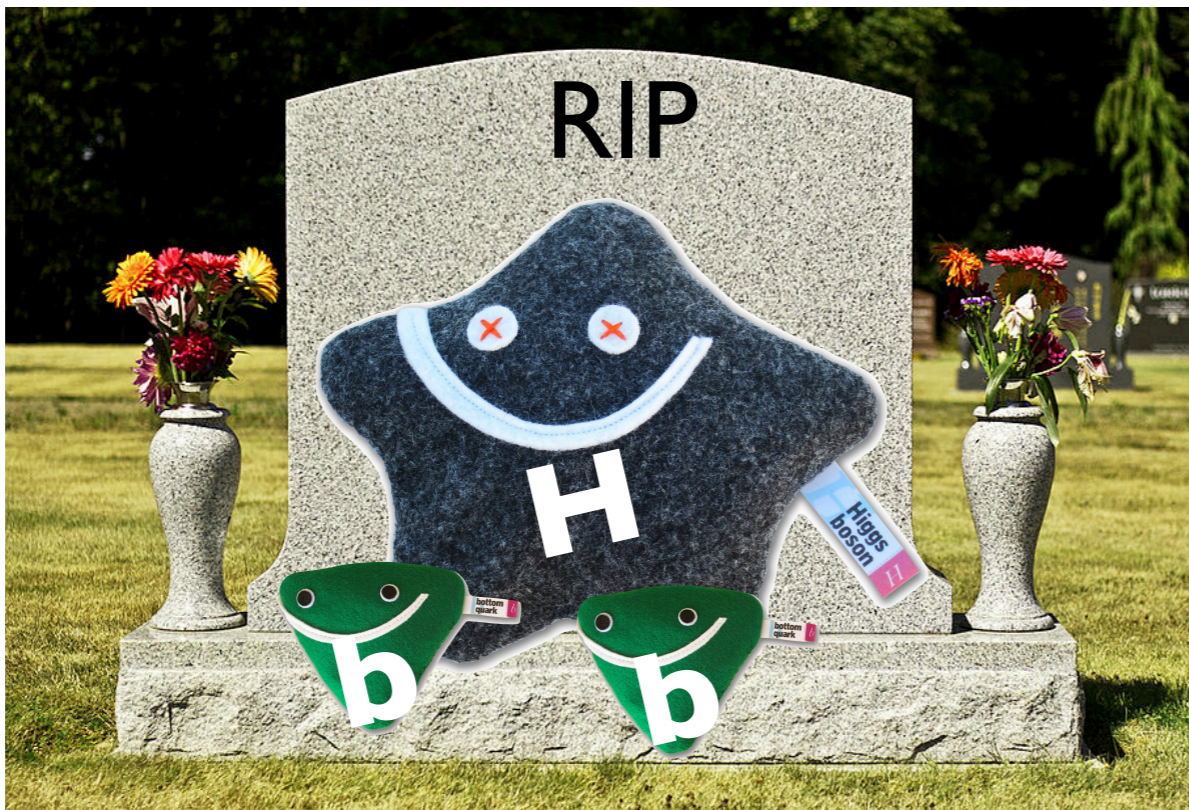
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arXiv:2011.13945, see talk by Zhuoni Qian

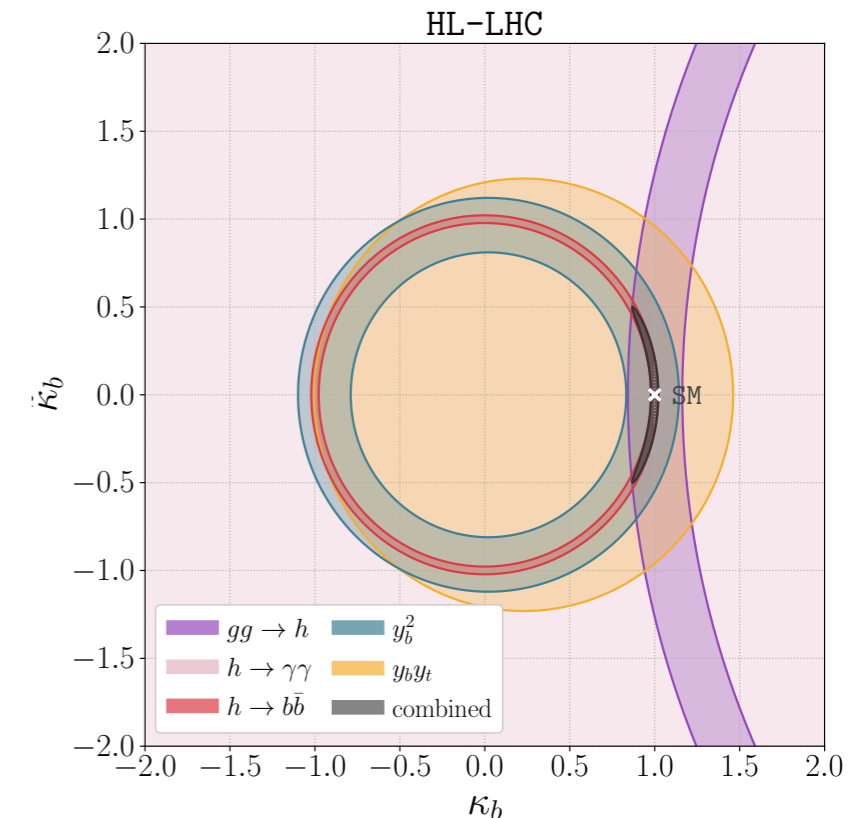
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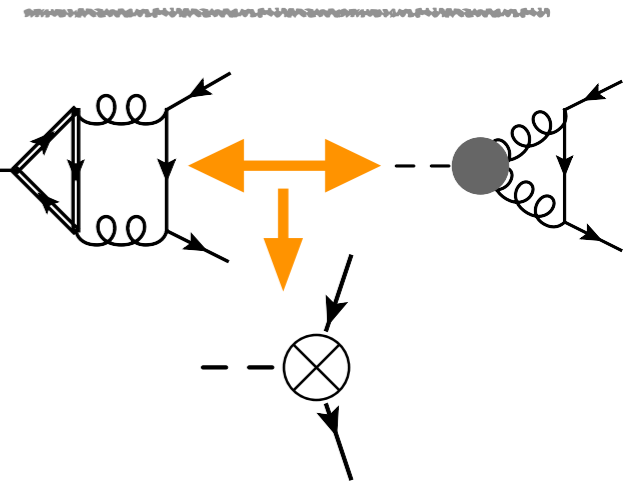
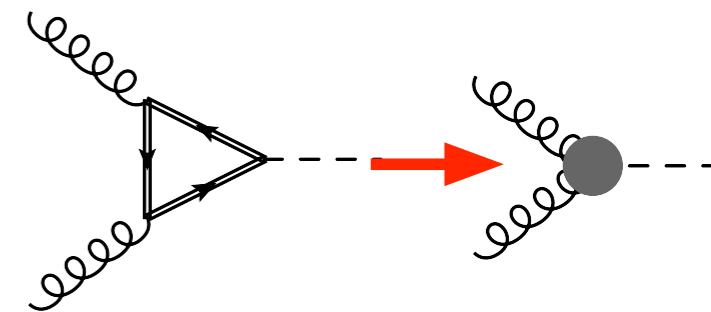
- New analysis based on modern AI techniques and game theory
- Authors claim to be able to reduce the ggF and VH bkgds, getting O(20%) constraints on  $y_b$  from  $b\bar{b}H$
- VBF is not considered in the analysis
- Eager to see how the movie ends...



# Backup

## Computing NLO corrections to $b\bar{b}H$

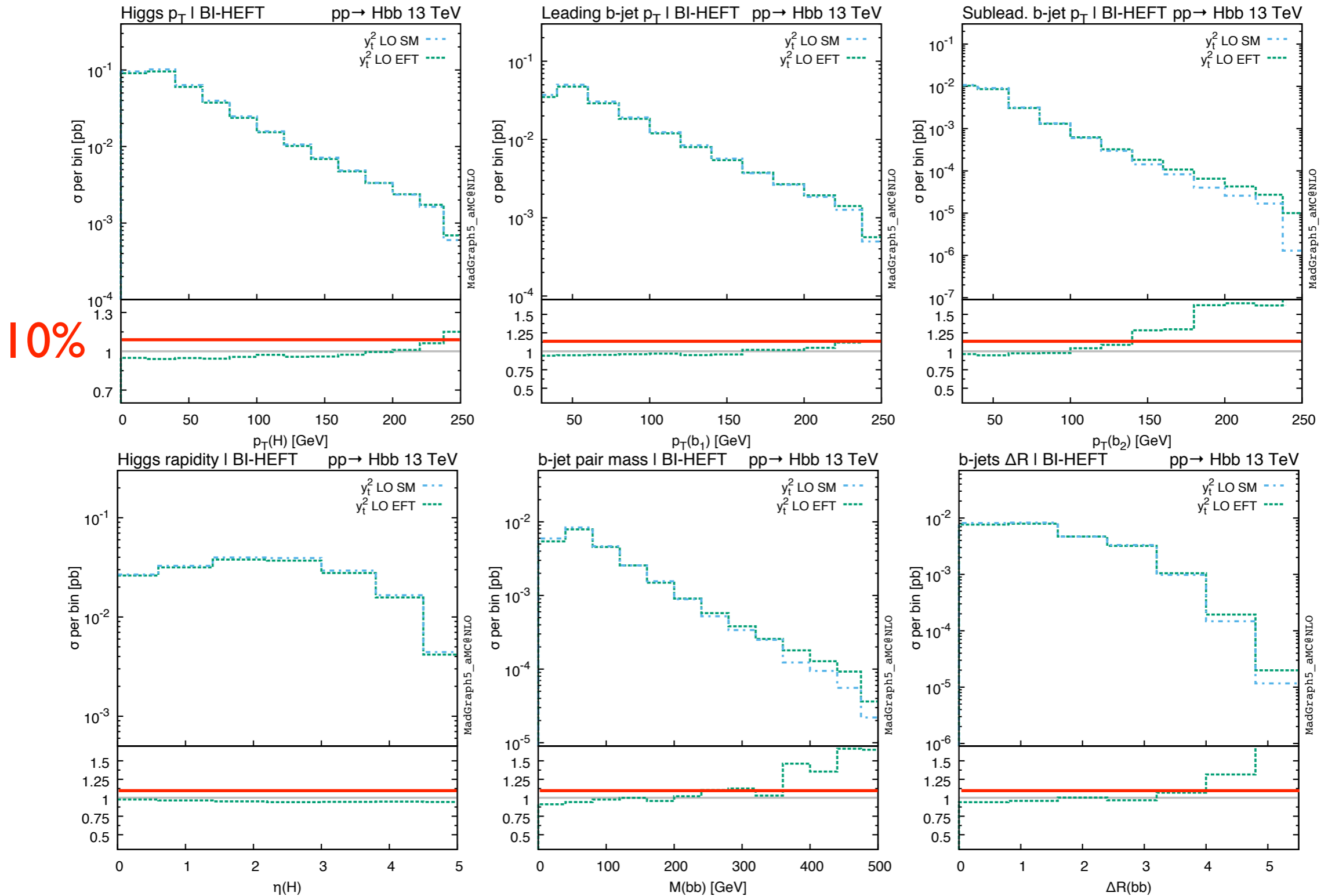
- NLO corrections to  $y_b$ -induced  $b\bar{b}H$  known for long time  
[5FS NLO: Dicus, hep-ph/9811492, Balazs, hep-ph/9812263](#); [5FS NNLO: Harlander, hep-ph/0304035](#) [4FS NLO: Dittmaier, hep-ph/0309204, Dawson, hep-ph/0508293](#); [4FS NLOPS: Wiesemann, arXiv:1409.5301, Jager, arXiv:1509.05843, Krauss, arXiv:1612.04640](#)
- $y_t$ -induced contribution missing, mostly for two reasons
  - Loop-induced at LO  $\rightarrow$  2 loops at NLO with 3 particles in the final state. Beyond current 2-loop technology  
 Solution: Use an HEFT to shrink the top loop into a pointlike interaction
  - If  $m_b \neq 0$ , in the HEFT  $y_b$  receives a correction  $\sim y_t$ . Obtained by matching HEFT with 2-loop SM.  
 Reproduced results by Chetyrkin et al, PRL 1997, NPB 1997, hep-ph/9708255
- This made it possible to use modern automatic codes (MadGraph5\_aMC@NLO) to compute simultaneously the  $y_t^2$ ,  $y_b^2$  and  $y_t y_b$  terms at NLO QCD
- We use  $m_H = 125$  GeV,  $m_b^{\text{pole}} = 4.92$  GeV,  $m_t = 172.5$  GeV, NNPDF3.1 ( $n_f = 4$ ),  $y_b$  renorm. in  $\overline{\text{MS}}$ ,  $\mu_{R/F} = H_T/4$



$$\delta y_b = y_t \left( \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \right)^2 \left( \frac{m_b}{m_t} \right) \left[ \frac{C_F}{2\epsilon} - \frac{C_F}{24} \left( 5 - 6 \log \left( \frac{\mu_R^2}{m_t^2} \right) \right) \right]$$

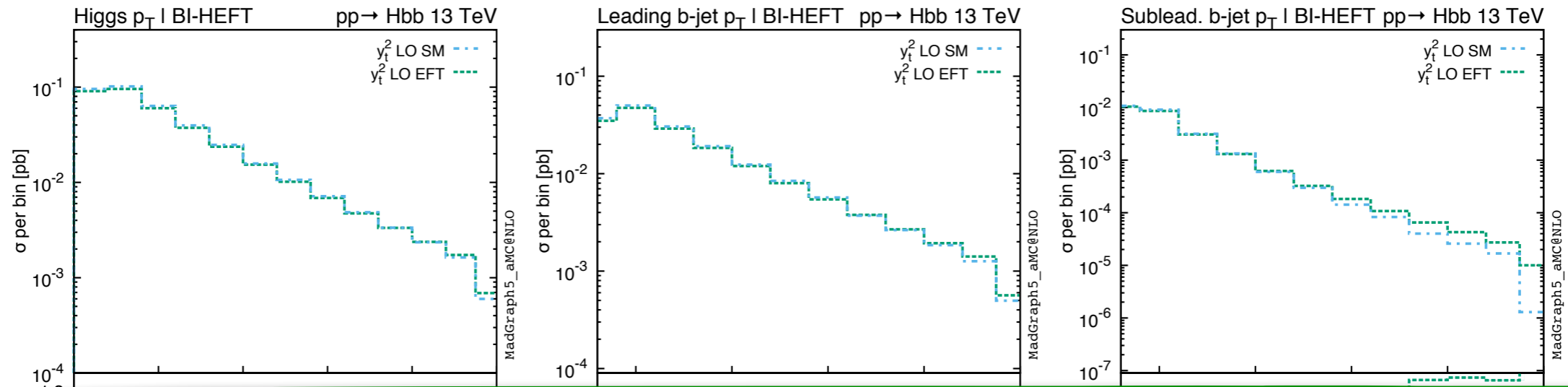


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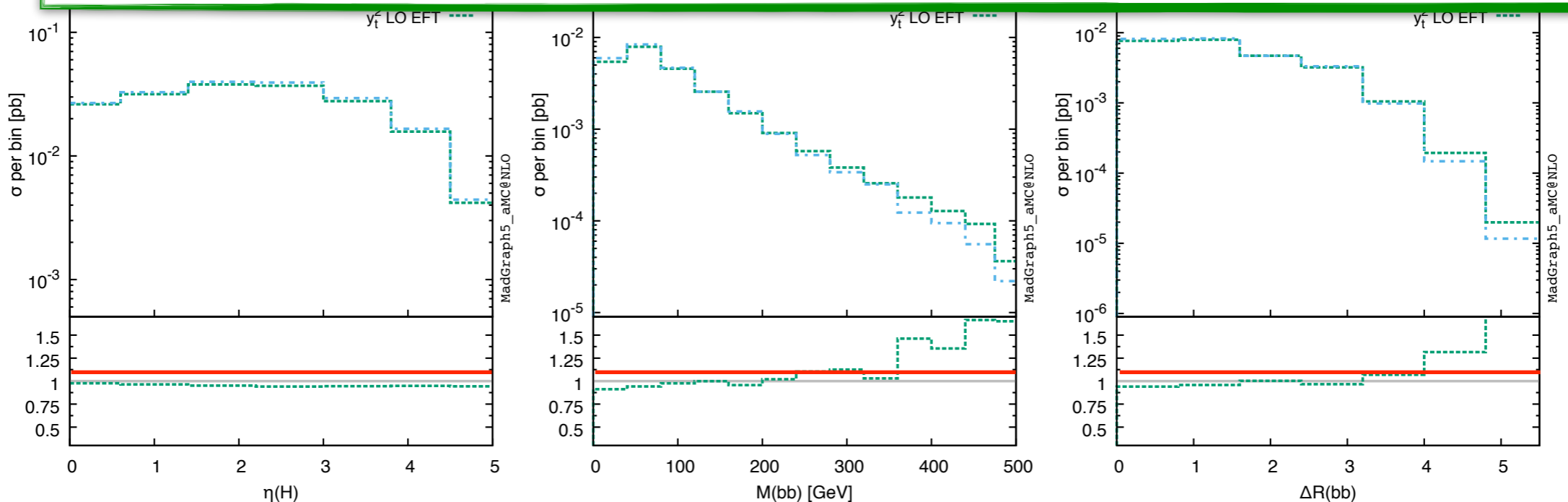


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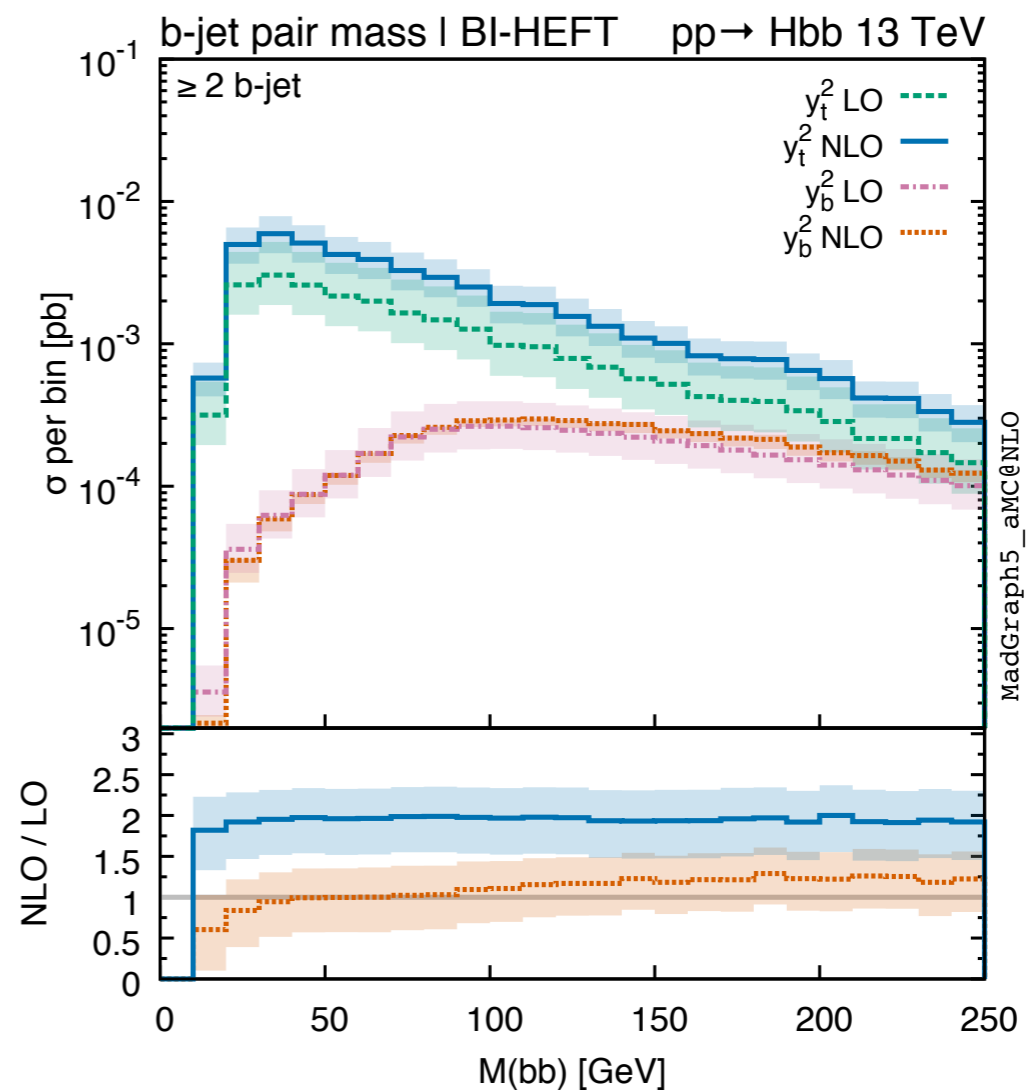
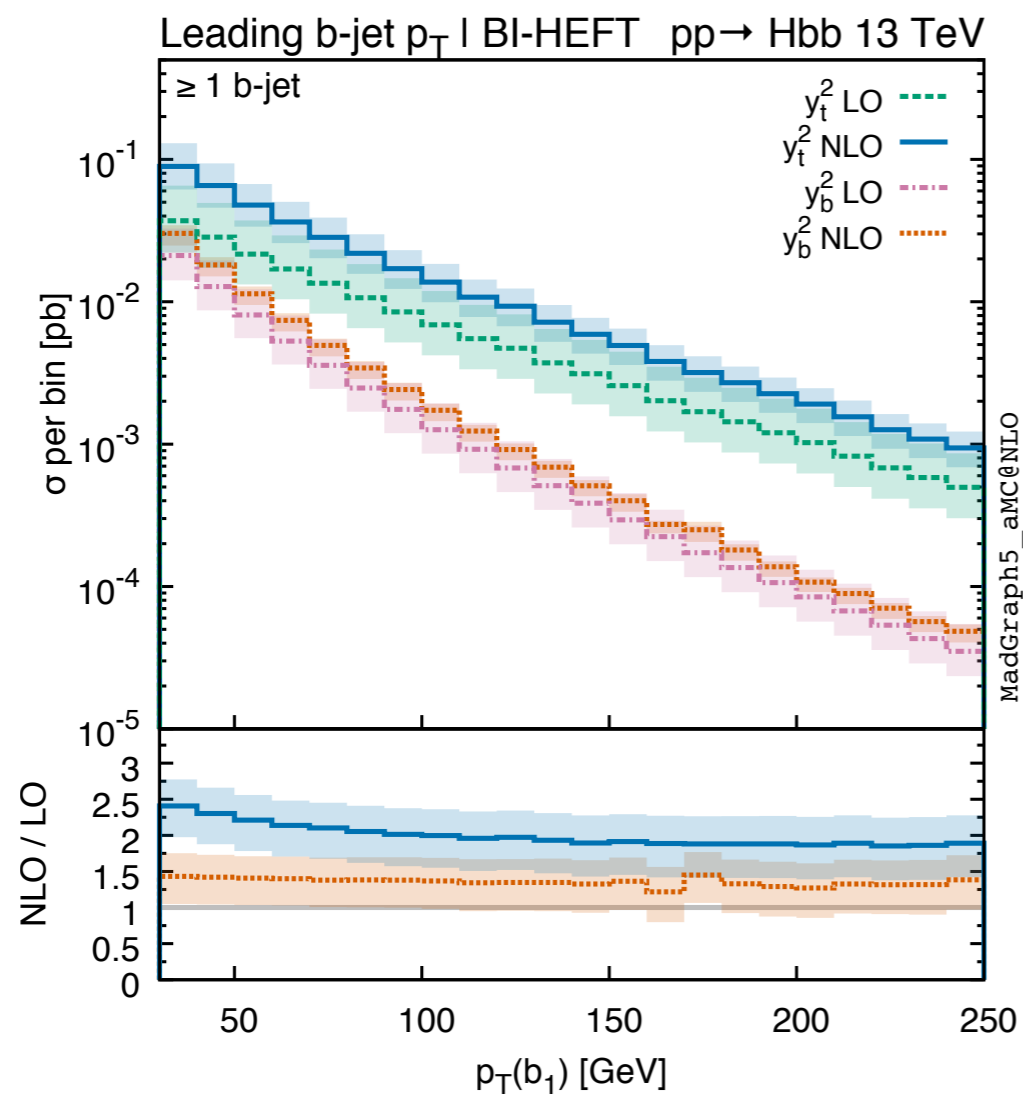
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EFT is valid up to  $p_T(H), p_T(b_1) \sim 200$  GeV  
NLO differential distributions can be improved by including the  
LO SM/EFT K-factor



# Other distributions

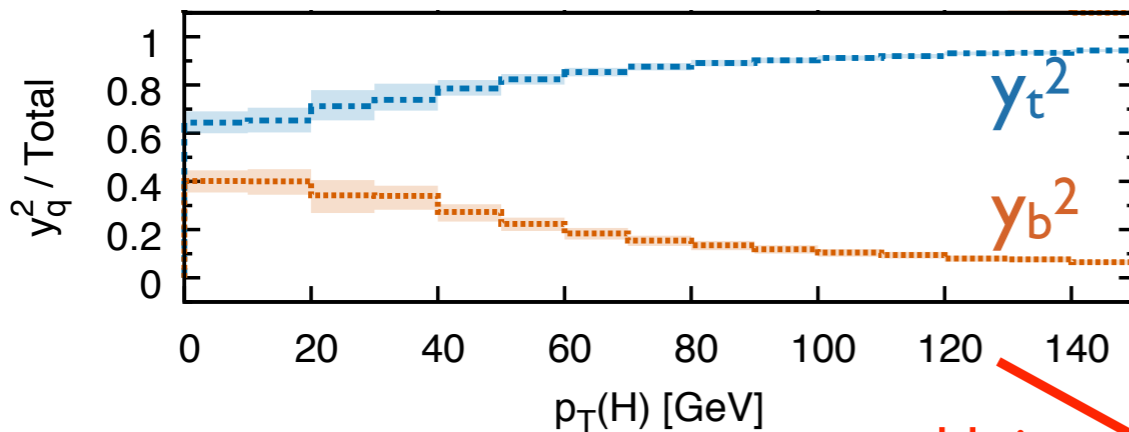
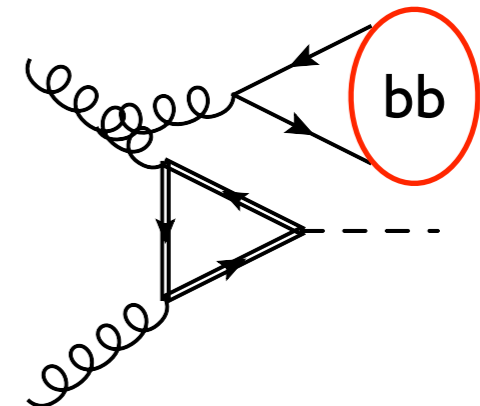
- The b-jet  $p_T$  distribution has a similar behaviour w.r.t.  $p_T(H)$
- If two b-jets are present,  $M(bb)$  peaks at lower value for the  $y_t^2$  contribution than for the  $y_b^2$



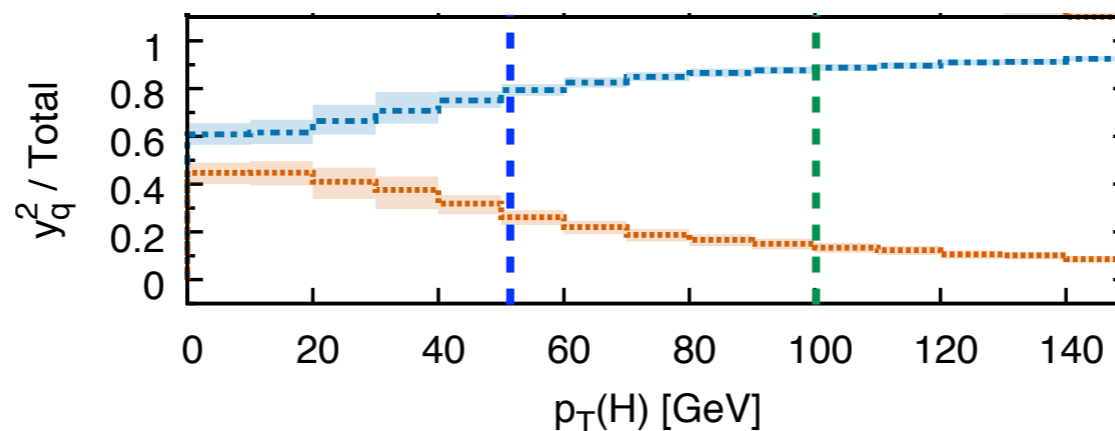


# How to improve the sensitivity on $y_b$ ?

- One can try to enhance the  $y_b^2$  component by exploiting the different kinematics of the  $y_t^2$  and  $y_b^2$  contribution. We will focus in the  $1b$  jet bin
  - $y_t^2$  is more likely to produce  $b$  jets with two  $b$  quarks in it ( $bb$  jets). This happens  $\sim 25\%$  of the times one has a  $b$  jet.
    - Veto  $bb$  jets
  - $y_t^2$  has a harder Higgs  $p_T$  spectrum. Stay at low  $p_T(H)$



veto  $bb$  jet



	$y_b^2 / \text{total}$	effic. / $y_b^2, \geq 1b$
$\geq 1b$	18 %	100 %
$\geq 1b, \text{ no } bb$	23 %	99.9 %
$\geq 1b, \text{ no } bb$ $p_T < 100$	27 %	90 %
$\geq 1b, \text{ no } bb$ $p_T < 50$	36 %	50 %





# VOLUME 2



## Setup

- Complex-mass scheme, with

$$m_Z = 91.15348 \text{ GeV}, \quad \Gamma_Z = 2.4946 \text{ GeV}, \quad m_W = 80.35797 \text{ GeV}, \quad \Gamma_W = 2.08899 \text{ GeV}, \quad (10)$$

$$m_H = 125.0 \text{ GeV}, \quad \Gamma_H = 0, \quad m_t = 173.34 \text{ GeV}, \quad \Gamma_t = 1.3692 \text{ GeV}, \quad (11)$$

- $m_b^{\text{pole}}=4.58 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $y_b$  renorm. in  $\overline{\text{MS}}$   
 $\mu_{R/F}=H_T/4$ , NNPDF3.1 NNLO evol, ( $n_f=4$ )
- EW renormalisation in the  $G_\mu$  scheme,
- Jets are clustered with anti- $k_T$ ,  $p_T > 30 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $R=0.4$  and  $|\eta| < 4.5$ .  
B-tagging up to  $|\eta| < 2.5$



# Results

accuracy ( $i$ )	$\sigma_i$ [fb]	$\sigma_i/\sigma_{\text{LOQCD}}$	cuts
LO <sub>QCD</sub>	297 <sup>+55.9%</sup> <sub>-34.1%</sub>	1.00	NO CUT
LO	399 <sup>+42.9%</sup> <sub>-26.9%</sub>	1.34	
NLO <sub>QCD</sub>	450 <sup>+19.2%</sup> <sub>-20.7%</sub>	1.51	
NLO <sub>QCD+EW</sub>	442 <sup>+18.5%</sup> <sub>-20.4%</sub>	1.49	
NLO <sub>all</sub>	639 <sup>+14.3%</sup> <sub>-15.6%</sub>	2.15	
LO <sub>QCD</sub>	67.2 <sup>+49.1%</sup> <sub>-30.8%</sub> (64.6 <sup>+49.5%</sup> <sub>-31.1%</sub> )	1.00 ( 1.00)	$N_{j_b} \geq 1$
LO	154 <sup>+24.2%</sup> <sub>-16.9%</sub> (142 <sup>+25.2%</sup> <sub>-17.5%</sub> )	2.29 ( 2.19)	
NLO <sub>QCD</sub>	94.4 <sup>+12.3%</sup> <sub>-16.2%</sub> (69.6 <sup>+2.3%</sup> <sub>-11.3%</sub> )	1.40 ( 1.08)	
NLO <sub>QCD+EW</sub>	92.0 <sup>+11.4%</sup> <sub>-15.8%</sub> (67.3 <sup>+2.4%</sup> <sub>-10.6%</sub> )	1.37 ( 1.04)	
NLO <sub>all</sub>	247 <sup>+8.9%</sup> <sub>-8.9%</sub> (139 <sup>+0.9%</sup> <sub>-5.3%</sub> )	3.67 ( 2.15)	
LO <sub>QCD</sub>	61.7 <sup>+49.6%</sup> <sub>-31.1%</sub> (59.0 <sup>+50.0%</sup> <sub>-31.3%</sub> )	1.00 ( 1.00)	$N_{j_b} = 1$
LO	105 <sup>+31.1%</sup> <sub>-20.8%</sub> (93.3 <sup>+33.7%</sup> <sub>-22.3%</sub> )	1.71 ( 1.58)	
NLO <sub>QCD</sub>	87.9 <sup>+13.1%</sup> <sub>-16.6%</sub> (66.0 <sup>+2.2%</sup> <sub>-12.3%</sub> )	1.43 ( 1.12)	
NLO <sub>QCD+EW</sub>	85.7 <sup>+12.2%</sup> <sub>-16.3%</sub> (63.9 <sup>+2.3%</sup> <sub>-11.7%</sub> )	1.39 ( 1.08)	
NLO <sub>all</sub>	187 <sup>+10.4%</sup> <sub>-10.6%</sub> (107 <sup>+1.3%</sup> <sub>-8.4%</sub> )	3.03 ( 1.82)	
LO <sub>QCD</sub>	5.57 <sup>+45.4%</sup> <sub>-29.0%</sub>	1.00	$N_{j_b} \geq 2$
LO	48.4 <sup>+9.0%</sup> <sub>-8.2%</sub>	8.70	
NLO <sub>QCD</sub>	6.53 <sup>+1.8%</sup> <sub>-10.8%</sub>	1.17	
NLO <sub>QCD+EW</sub>	6.30 <sup>+1.0%</sup> <sub>-10.2%</sub>	1.13	
NLO <sub>all</sub>	59.8 <sup>+4.0%</sup> <sub>-3.7%</sub>	10.75	

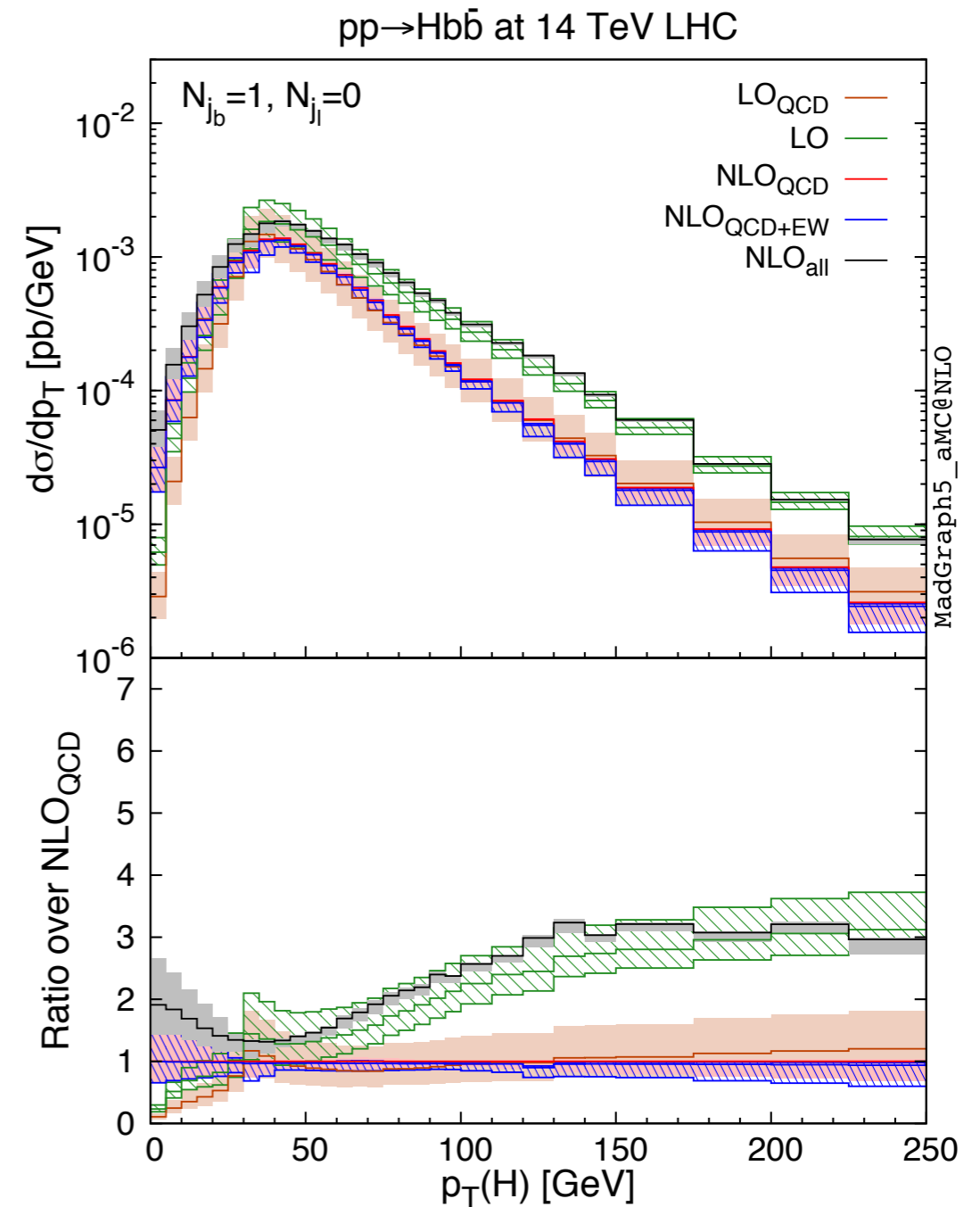
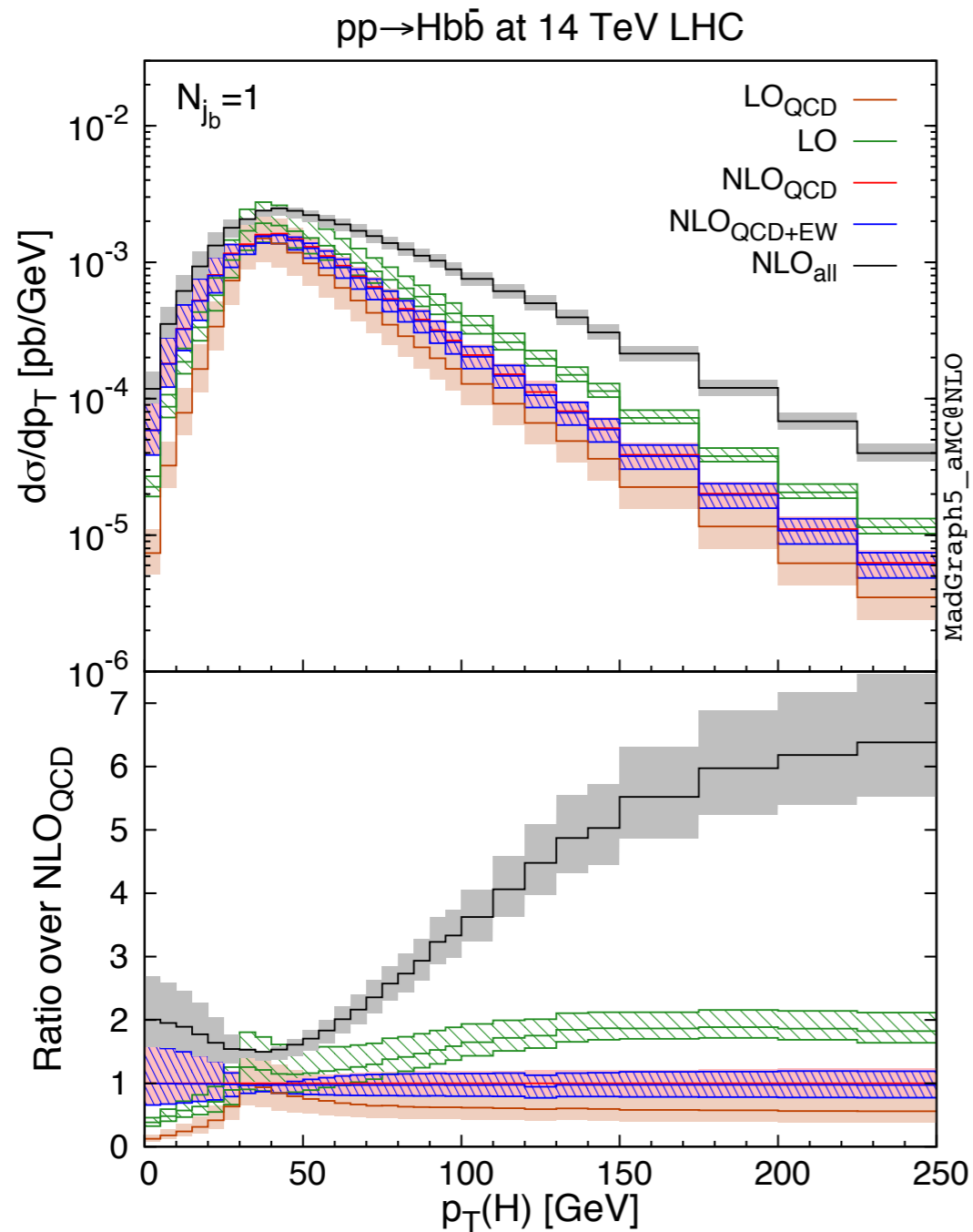
( )  $\Leftrightarrow$  light jet veto



# Differential distributions

$$N_b=1$$

light jet veto





# Differential distributions

$$N_b=2$$

light jet veto

