

# Hunting stabilization effects of the high-energy resummation via heavy flavor production at the LHC

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[F. G. Celiberto, M. Fucilla, D. Yu. Ivanov, M. M. A. M., A. Papa [arXiv:2109.11875]],  
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# Motivation

- The high-energy limit  $s \gg Q^2 \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$ :  $\Rightarrow \alpha_s(Q) \ln s/Q^2 \sim 1$  need to be resummed.
- The Balitsky-Fadin-Kuraev-Lipatov (**BFKL**) approach provides a general framework for this resummation.
 

[V.S. Fadin, E.A. Kuraev, L.N. Lipatov (1975, 1976, 1977)]  
[Y.Y. Balitskii, L.N. Lipatov (1978)]
- A significant question for collider phenomenology is highlighting at which energies the **BFKL** dynamics becomes significant and cannot be overlooked.
- However, experimental evidences of the **BFKL** dynamics are not conclusive, thus motivating the proposal of new probes.

Last years:

## Search for BFKL dynamics in inclusive processes

- ◇ jets or identified particles in the final state (di-hadron, hadron-jet, heavy-quark pair, multi-jet,...).
  - ◇ straightforward adaptation of the BFKL factorization.
  - ◇ shows **sensitivity** to the renormalization/factorization **scale choice**.
- calls for some optimization procedure to make reliable predictions.

# Toward restoring the stability of the BFKL series

## 1. Study processes characterized by natural energy scales...

### Inclusive Higgs-plus-jet production

- ◇ inclusive h.p of Higgs + jet with high  $p_T$  and large separated in rapidity.
- ◇ large energy scales expected to **stabilize** the high-energy resummed series.

[F.G. Celiberto, D.Yu. Ivanov, M.M.A. M, A. Papa (2021)]

## 2. Study heavy-flavored emissions processes...

### Inclusive heavy-flavored emissions

- ◇ inclusive emission of a forward **heavy-flavored hadron (heavy-jet)**...
- ◇ ... accompanied by another backward **heavy-flavored hadron (heavy-jet)** or a backward light-flavored jet.

(heavy-light dijet system) [A. D. Bolognino, F. G. Celiberto, M. Fucilla, D. Yu. Ivanov, and A. Papa (2021)]  
 (heavy-flavored hadron) [F. G. Celiberto, M. Fucilla, D. Yu. Ivanov, and A. Papa (2021)]

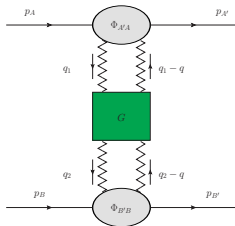
- ◇ tagged heavy-flavored particles dampen the **instabilities** of the BFKL series.
- ◇ further probes featuring the tag of heavier hadron species are needed.

# The high-energy resummation

## ● BFKL resummation:

Scattering in  $A + B \rightarrow A' + B'$  Regge kinematical region  $s \rightarrow \infty, t$  fixed.

→ BFKL factorization for  $Im_s A$ :



$$\Phi_A(\vec{q}_1, s_0) \otimes G_\omega(\vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2) \otimes \Phi_B(-\vec{q}_2, s_0)$$

Valid both in

▷ leading logarithmic approximation (LLA):  $\alpha_s^n (\ln s)^n$ .

▷ next-to-leading logarithmic approximation (NLA):  $\alpha_s^{n+1} (\ln s)^n$ .

● **Green's function** is **process-independent** → determined through the **BFKL equation**.

$$\omega G_\omega(\vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2) = \delta^2(\vec{q}_1 - \vec{q}_2) + \int d^2\vec{q} K(\vec{q}_1, \vec{q}) G_\omega(\vec{q}, \vec{q}_1)$$

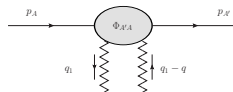
● **Impact factors** are **process-dependent**

→ known in the NLA just for limited cases.

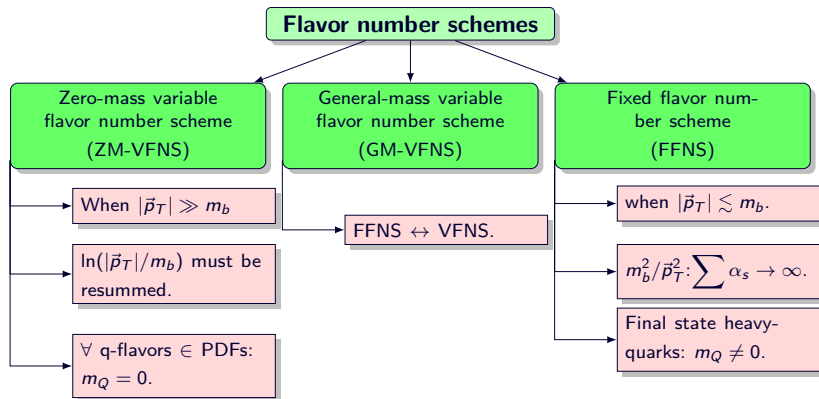
Universal property:  $\Phi_{A'A} \Big|_{q \rightarrow 0}^{q_1 - q \rightarrow 0} \rightarrow 0$ ,

which guarantees the **infra-red finiteness** of the BFKL amplitudes.

[Ya.Ya. Balitsky, V.S. Fadin, E.A. Kuraev, L.N. Lipatov (1975)]



# bottom-flavor phenomenology



- ▷  $m_b$  plays a crucial role.
- ▷ different implementations of this scheme have been proposed so far.

[M. Krämer, F. I. Olness, and D. E. Soper (2000)]

[S. Forte, E. Laenen, P. Nason, and J. Rojo, (2010)]

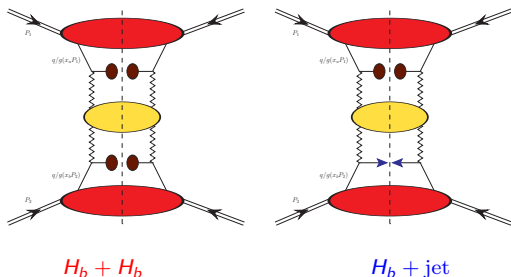
[J. Blümlein, A. De Freitas, C. Schneider, and K. Schönwald, (2018)]

- ▷ approaching particular kinematic regions  $\rightarrow$  (gap of knowledge).

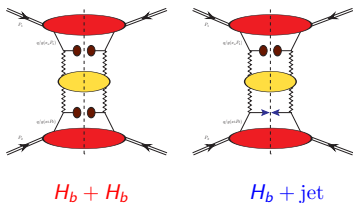
# Inclusive b-hadron production

Processes:

$$\text{proton}(P_1) + \text{proton}(P_2) \rightarrow H_b(\vec{p}_1, y_1) + X + O_2(\vec{p}_2, y_2), \quad \text{where } O_2 \equiv \{H_b, \text{jet}\}$$



- large transverse masses:  $m_{1,2\perp} = \sqrt{|\vec{p}_{1,2}|^2 + m_{1,2}^2} \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$ .
- QCD collinear factorization.
- large rapidity interval  $\Delta y = y_1 - y_2 \Rightarrow$  **BFKL** resummation.



$$d\sigma_{\text{coll.}}^{[pp \rightarrow H_b, H_b / H_b \text{jet}]} = \sum_{r,s=q,\bar{q},g} \int_0^1 dx_a \int_0^1 dx_b f_r(x_a) f_s(x_b) \times \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \int_{x_1}^1 \frac{d\beta_1}{\beta_1} \int_{x_2}^1 \frac{d\beta_2}{\beta_2} D_r^{H_b} \left( \frac{x_1}{\beta_1} \right) D_s^{H_b} \left( \frac{x_2}{\beta_2} \right) \\ \int_{x_1}^1 \frac{d\beta_1}{\beta_1} D_r^{H_b} \left( \frac{x_1}{\beta_1} \right) \end{array} \right\} d\hat{\sigma}_{r,s}(\hat{s})$$

- ▷ Partons **probability density**.
- ▷ Collinear **fragmentation** of the parton  $r$  into a hadron  $H_b$ .
  - ▶ project onto the eigenfunctions of the LO BFKL kernel.
  - ▶ suitable definition of the **azimuthal coefficients**:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dy_1 dy_2 d|\vec{p}_1| d|\vec{p}_2| d\phi_1 d\phi_2} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \left[ C_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2 \cos(n\varphi) C_n \right],$$

$$\text{where } \varphi = \phi_1 - \phi_2 - \pi$$

# Observables

Integrated coefficients over the phase space for the two emitted objects

$$C_n = \int_{y_1^{\min}}^{y_1^{\max}} dy_1 \int_{y_2^{\min}}^{y_2^{\max}} dy_2 \int_{p_1^{\min}}^{p_1^{\max}} d|\vec{p}_1| \int_{p_2^{\min}}^{p_2^{\max}} d|\vec{p}_2| \delta(\Delta Y - (y_1 - y_2)) C_n$$

## Observables:

- $\Delta Y$ -distribution ( $C_0$ ) and the ratio

$$\langle \cos [n(\phi_1 - \phi_2 - \pi)] \rangle \equiv \frac{C_n}{C_0}, \text{ with } n = 1, 2, 3$$

- Azimuthal correlations:

$$\frac{\langle \cos [2(\phi_1 - \phi_2 - \pi)] \rangle}{\langle \cos (\phi_1 - \phi_2 - \pi) \rangle} \equiv \frac{C_2}{C_1} \equiv R_{21}, \quad \frac{\langle \cos [3(\phi_1 - \phi_2 - \pi)] \rangle}{\langle \cos [2(\phi_1 - \phi_2 - \pi)] \rangle} \equiv \frac{C_3}{C_2} \equiv R_{32}.$$

→ minimise further any **contamination** from collinear logarithms

- Double differential  $p_T$ -distribution:

$$\frac{d\sigma(|\vec{p}_{1,2}|, \Delta Y, s)}{d|\vec{p}_1| d|\vec{p}_2| d\Delta Y} = \int_{y_1^{\min}}^{y_1^{\max}} dy_1 \int_{y_2^{\min}}^{y_2^{\max}} dy_2 \delta(\Delta Y - (y_1 - y_2)) C_0(|\vec{p}_1|, |\vec{p}_2|, y_1, y_2)$$




# Numerical specifics

## Kinematic settings:

- ▷  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV.
  - ▷  $|y_J| < 4.7$  and  $35 \text{ GeV} < p_J < 60 \text{ GeV}$ .
  - ▷  $|y_H| < 2.4$  and  $20 \text{ GeV} < p_H < 60 \text{ GeV}$ .
- } asymmetric ranges
- ▷  $\mu_F = \mu_R \equiv \mu_N = \sqrt{m_{1\perp} m_{2\perp}}$ ,
- with  $m_{1\perp} = \sqrt{|\vec{p}_1|^2 + m_{H_b}^2}$  and  $m_{2\perp} = \begin{cases} \sqrt{|\vec{p}_2|^2 + m_{H_b}^2}, & (\text{double } H_b) \\ p_{2\perp}, & (\text{jet}) \end{cases}$
- ▷ define  $C_\mu \equiv \mu_R / \mu_N$  and  $C_\mu^{\text{BLM}} \equiv \mu_R^{\text{BLM}} / \mu_N$  (next slide).

## Numerical tools:

- JETHAD → hybrid  modular package [Francesco Giovanni Celiberto, *Eur.Phys.J.C* 81 (2021) 8, 691]
- + NLO **MMHT14** PDFs set [L. Harland-Lang, A. Martin, P. Motylinski, R. Thorne, (2015)]
- + **KKSS07** NLO FFs

[B. A. Kniehl, G. Kramer, I. Schienbein, and H. Spiesberger (2008)]

# Renormalization scale fixing:

NLA BFKL corrections to cross section with opposite sign with respect to the leading order (LO) result and large in absolute value...

- ◇ ...call for some optimization procedure...
- ◇ ...choose scales to mimic the most relevant subleading terms.

## ● **BLM** [ S.J. Brodsky, G.P. Lepage, P.B. Mackenzie (1983) ]

- ✓ fix the renormalization scale.
- ✓ resums the self-energy corrections to the gluon propagator at one loop into the running coupling.

\* “Exact” BLM:

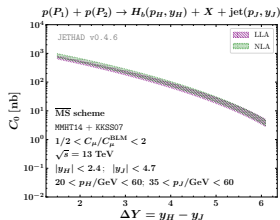
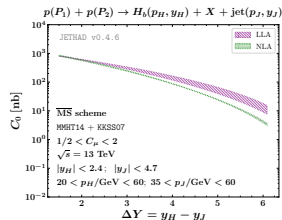
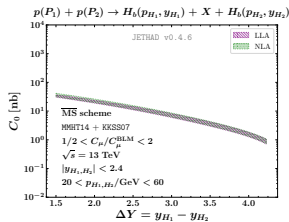
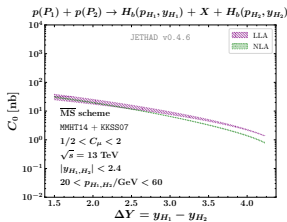
suppress **NLO IFs** + **NLO Kernel**  $\beta_0$ -dependent factors.

Working in the MOM scheme,  $\mu_R^{BLM}$ , is the value of  $\mu_R$  that satisfies the condition:

$$C_n^{(\beta_0)}(s, \Delta Y) = \int d\Phi(y_{1,2}, |\vec{p}_{1,2}|, \Delta Y) C_n^{(\beta_0)} = 0$$

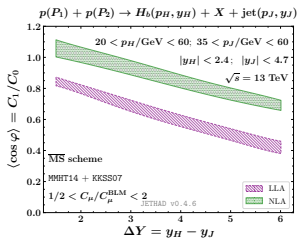
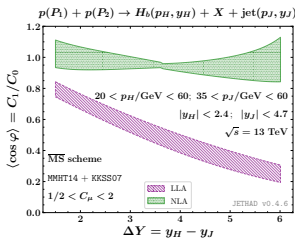
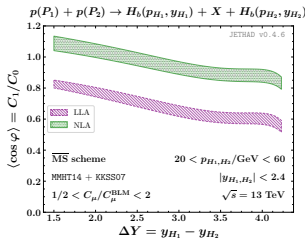
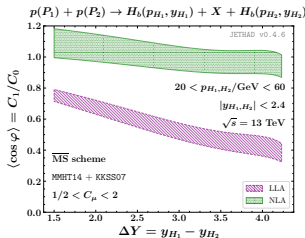
# Phenomenology: $\phi$ -averaged cross section $C_0$

$$C_0(\Delta Y, s) = \int_{p_1^{\min}}^{p_1^{\max}} d|\vec{p}_1| \int_{p_2^{\min}}^{p_2^{\max}} d|\vec{p}_2| \int_{y_1^{\min}}^{y_1^{\max}} dy_1 \int_{y_2^{\min}}^{y_2^{\max}} dy_2 \delta(y_1 - y_2 - \Delta Y) C_0,$$



# Phenomenology: Azimuthal correlations $R_{n0}(\Delta Y, s)$

$$R_{10}(\Delta Y, s) = C_1/C_0 \equiv \langle \cos \phi \rangle$$

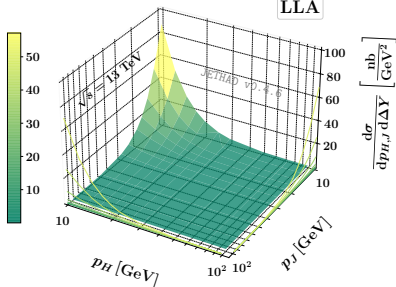


# Phenomenology: double differential $p_T$ -distribution

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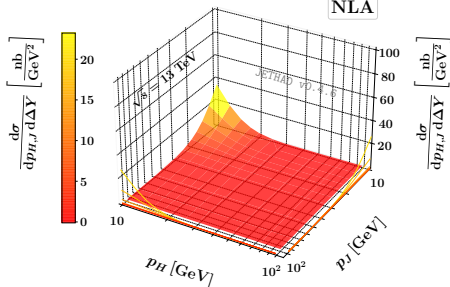
$H_b + \text{jet}$  ( $\Delta Y = 5$ ;  $C_\mu = 1$ )

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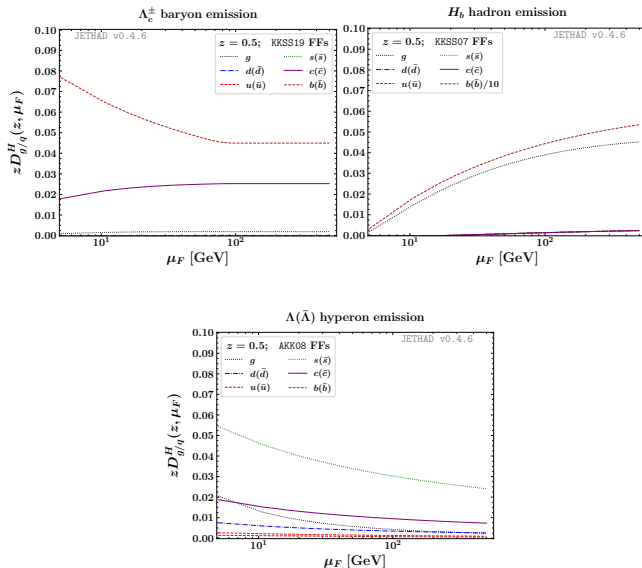


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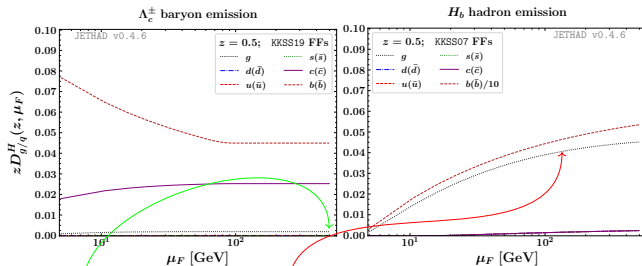
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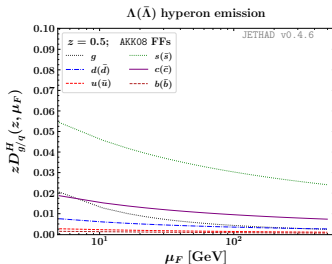
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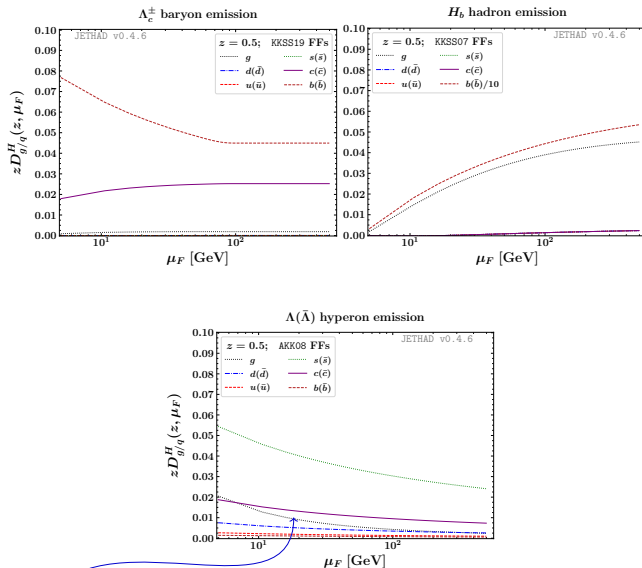
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● **non-decreasing** (for KKSS19  $\Lambda_c$ ) and **growth** (KKSS07) with  $\mu_F$  gluon FF  $\Rightarrow$  (**stability**).

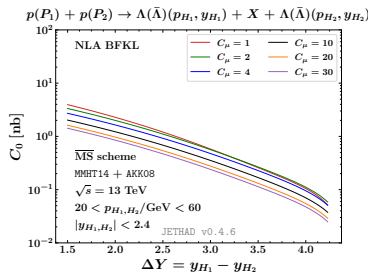
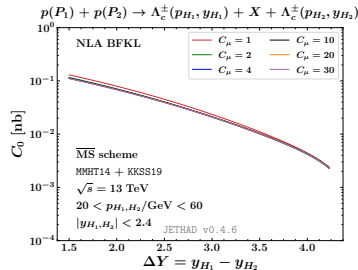
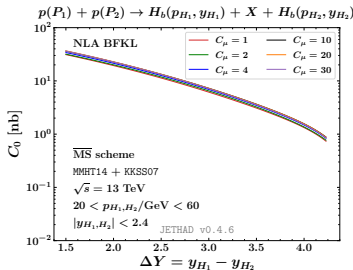


# Stabilizing effects of b-flavor fragmentation



decreasing  $\mu_F$  behavior of the gluon AKK08  $\Rightarrow$  (increased energy-scale sensitivity).





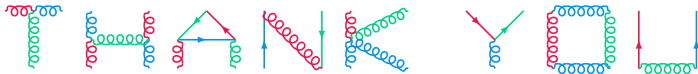
$\Lambda_c$ : gluon FF plays a dominant role.

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$H_b$ : gluon FF grows with  $\mu_F$  (compensated with the higher  $\mu_R \implies$  stability).

# Summary

- **Inclusive processes** are a promising **testfield** for the search of BFKL dynamics in current and future colliders.
- Heavy-flavored emissions of bound states act as fair **stabilizers** of the high-energy series.
- **Stabilization** effects are stronger present when b-flavored bound-state detections are considered.
- In the  $H_b + \text{jet}$  channel it was possible to study azimuthal moments at natural scales.
- The **stability** of our predictions motivates our interest in proposing the hybrid high-energy and collinear factorization as an additional tool to improve the fixed-order description.



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# BACKUP

## JETHAD

*JETHAD, BFKL inspired but for HEP purposes!*

It is a Fortran2008-Python3 hybrid library by Cosenza collaboration

- ▶ Main features:
  1. Modularity
  2. Extensive use of structures and dynamic memory
  3. Smart management of final-state phase-space integration
- ▶ Developed software:
  1. BFKL tools (BFKL kernel and Impact factors)
  2. UGD modular package
- ▶ External interfaces:
  1. LHAPDF and native FF parametrizations
  2. CUBA multi-dim integrators
  3. QUADPACK one-dim integrators
  4. CERNLIB (multi-dim integrators, special functions, MINUIT, etc.)

# Azimuthal coefficients

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_n &\equiv \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi_1 \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi_2 \cos(n\varphi) \frac{d\sigma}{dy_1 dy_2 d|\vec{p}_1| d|\vec{p}_2| d\phi_1 d\phi_2} \\
 &= \frac{e^{\Delta Y}}{s} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\nu \left( \frac{x_a x_b s}{s_0} \right)^{\bar{\alpha}_s(\mu_R)} \left\{ \chi(n, \nu) + \bar{\alpha}_s(\mu_R) \left[ \bar{\chi}(n, \nu) + \frac{\beta_0}{8N_c} \chi(n, \nu) \left[ -\chi(n, \nu) + \frac{10}{3} + 2 \ln \left( \frac{\mu_R^2}{\sqrt{\vec{p}_1^2 \vec{p}_2^2}} \right) \right] \right] \right\} \\
 &\quad \times \alpha_s^2(\mu_R) c_1(n, \nu, |\vec{p}_1|, x_1) [c_2(n, \nu, |\vec{p}_2|, x_2)]^* \\
 &\quad \times \left\{ 1 + \alpha_s(\mu_R) \left[ \frac{c_1^{(1)}(n, \nu, |\vec{p}_1|, x_1)}{c_1(n, \nu, |\vec{p}_1|, x_1)} + \left[ \frac{c_2^{(1)}(n, \nu, |\vec{p}_2|, x_2)}{c_2(n, \nu, |\vec{p}_2|, x_2)} \right]^* \right] + \bar{\alpha}_s^2(\mu_R) \Delta Y \frac{\beta_0}{4N_c} \chi(n, \nu) f(\nu) \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

● **Rapidity gap:**  $\Delta Y = y_1 - y_2 = \ln \frac{x_1 x_2 s}{|\vec{p}_1| |\vec{p}_2|}$

●  $\bar{\alpha}_s(\mu_R) \equiv \alpha_s(\mu_R) N_c / \pi$ , with  $N_c$  the number of colors,  $\beta_0$  is the first coefficient of the QCD  $\beta$ -function

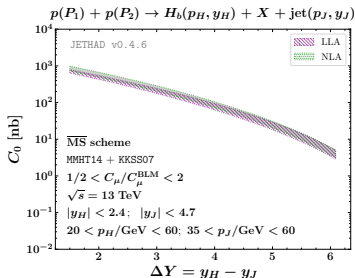
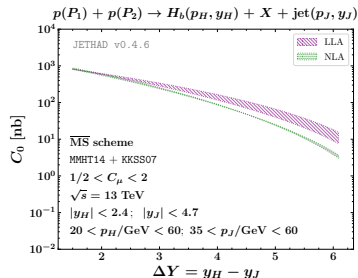
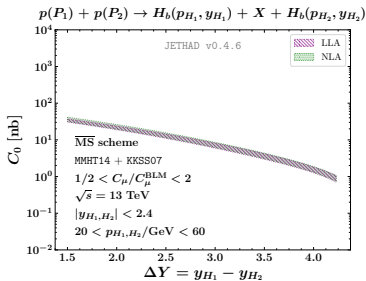
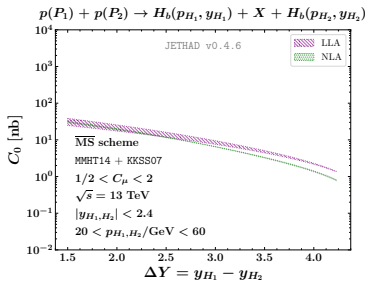
● **LO BFKL kernel:**

$$\chi(n, \nu) = 2 \left\{ \psi(1) - \psi \left( \frac{n+1}{2} + i\nu \right) \right\}, \quad \psi(z) \equiv \Gamma'(z) / \Gamma(z)$$

● **NLO correction to the BFKL kernel**

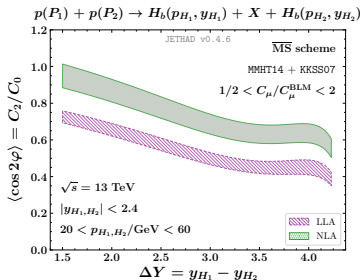
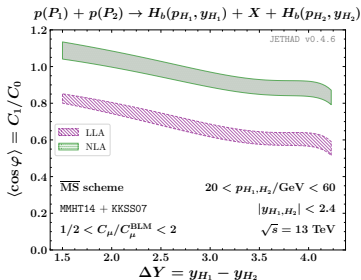
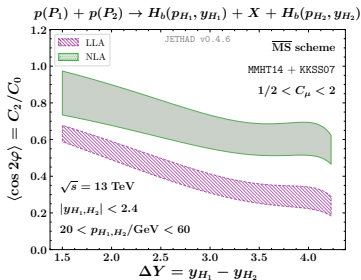
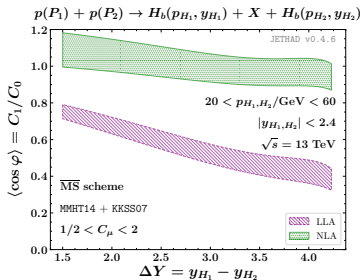
# Results:

$\Delta Y$ -shape of  $C_0$  at natural and BLM-optimized scales for  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV



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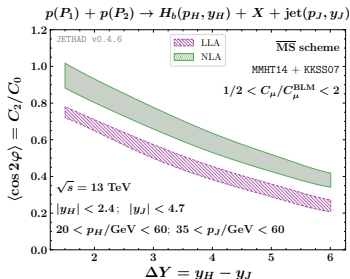
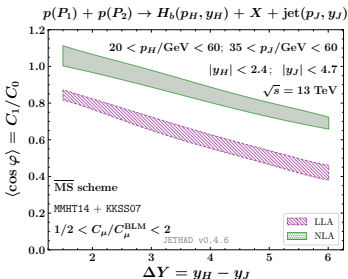
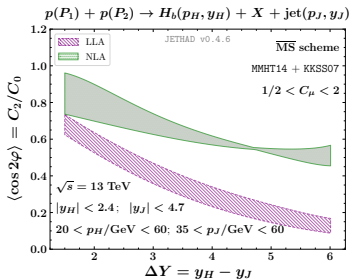
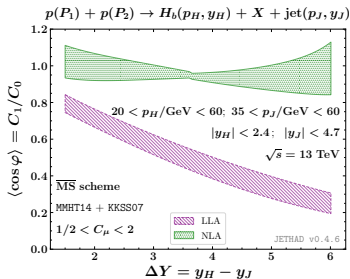
double  $H_b$



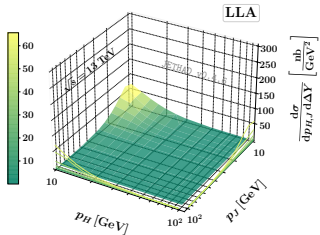


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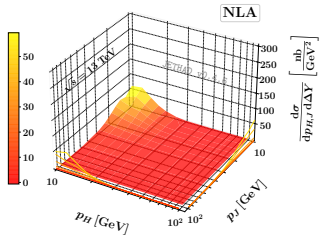
$H_b + \text{jet}$



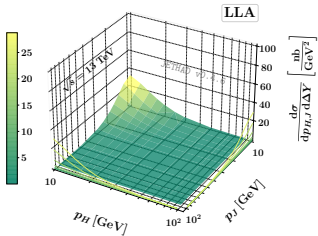
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