

Top-pair production at NNLL

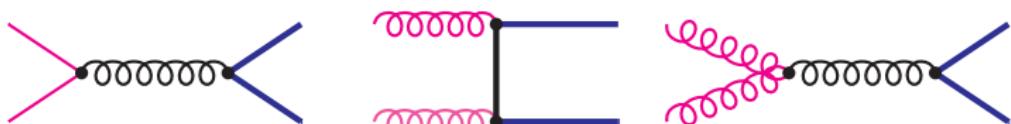
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Total Cross Section



$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}}(s) = \sum_{i,j} \int_{4m_t^2}^s d\hat{s} \mathcal{L}_{ij}(s, \hat{s}, \mu_f) \hat{\sigma}_{ij}(\hat{s}, \mu_f, \mu_r)$$

two ways to compute cross section:

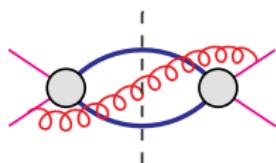
- fixed order
- sum dominant contributions to all orders

Dominant Terms

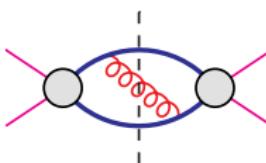
consider threshold limit: $\beta = \sqrt{1 - 4m_t^2/\hat{s}} \rightarrow 0$

Laenen et al. 1991; Catani et al.; Berger, Contopanagos; Kidonakis et al. 1996; Bonciani et al. 1998

Soft corrections:

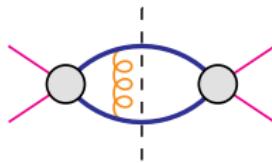


$$\sim \alpha_s \ln^2 \beta$$



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Coulomb corrections:



$$\sim \alpha_s / \beta$$

Power counting: $\alpha_s / \beta \sim \alpha_s \ln \beta \sim 1$

Results at NNLO/NNLL

total cross section: $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$

distributions: $\frac{d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}}{dM_{t\bar{t}}}$, $\frac{d\sigma_{t+X}}{dp_T}$, ...

NNLO_{app}

Moch, Uwer 2008; Langenfeld, Moch, Uwer 2009;
Beneke, Czakon, Falgari, Mitov, Schwinn 2009;
Moch, Uwer, Vogt 2012

Ahrens, Ferroglio, Neubert, Pecjak, Yang 2010, 2011;
Kidonakis 2010

full NNLO

Bärnreuther, Czakon, Mitov; Czakon, Mitov 2012
Czakon, Fiedler, Mitov 2013

NNLL soft gluon resummation

Cacciari, Czakon, Mangano, Mitov, Nason 2011

Ahrens, Ferroglio, Neubert, Pecjak, Yang 2010, 2011

NNLL soft + Coulomb resummation

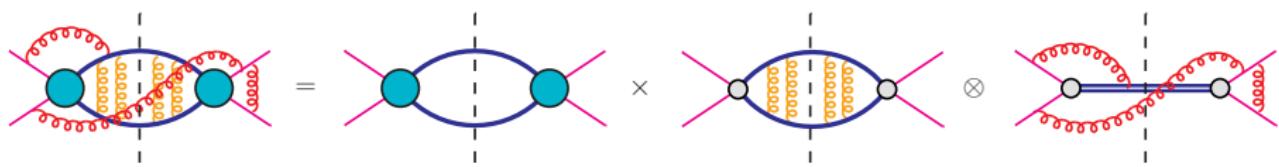
Beneke, Falgari, Klein, Schwinn 2011

Resummation in Momentum Space

Soft and Coulomb resummation:

Beneke, Falgari, Schwinn 2009, 2010

$$\hat{\sigma}_{ij} = \sum_R H_{ij}^R \int d\omega J^R(E - \omega/2) W^R(\omega)$$

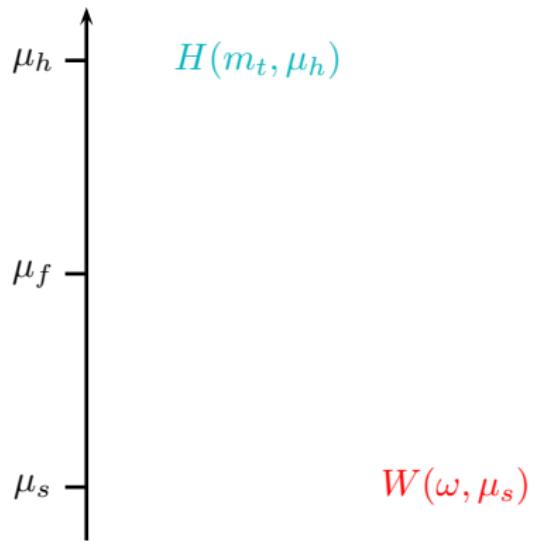


$$\hat{\sigma} \propto \hat{\sigma}^{(0)} \sum_k \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\beta} \right)^k \exp \left[\underbrace{\ln \beta g_0(\alpha_s \ln \beta)}_{\text{LL}} + \underbrace{g_1(\alpha_s \ln \beta)}_{\text{NLL}} + \underbrace{\alpha_s g_2(\alpha_s \ln \beta)}_{\text{NNLL}} + \dots \right] \\ \times \{ 1 (\text{LL, NLL}) ; \alpha_s, \beta (\text{NNLL}) ; \dots \}$$

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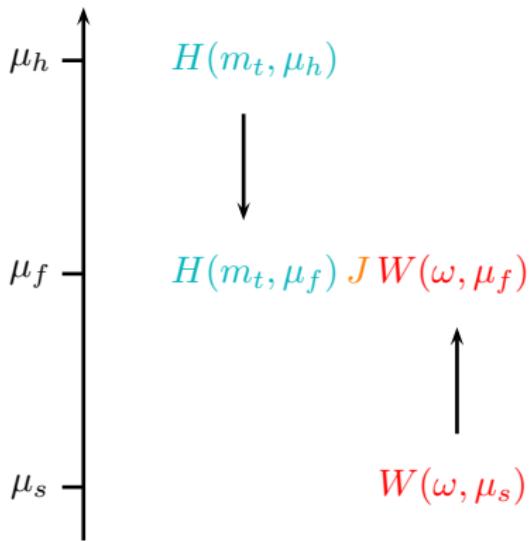
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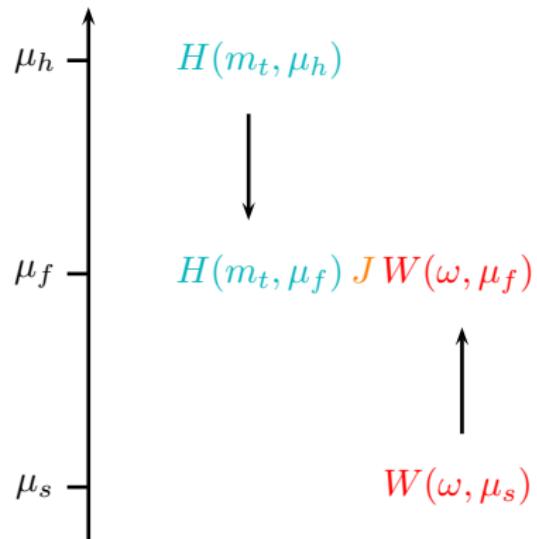
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- ⇒ resums logarithms of β



NB: Resummation can also be done in Mellin space: $\ln \beta \rightarrow \ln N$

Sterman 1987; Catani, Trentadue 1989

Resummation of Coulomb Corrections

Resummation of Coulomb corrections from non-relativistic Green's function

Fadin, Khoze 1987; Peskin, Strassler 1990; ...

$$\left[-\frac{\vec{\nabla}^2}{m_t} - C_F \frac{\alpha_s}{r} \right] G_C^{(0)}(\vec{r}, \vec{r}', E) = \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')$$

$$J(E) = 2 \operatorname{Im} \left[G_C^{(0)}(0, 0; E) + \dots \right]$$

- includes bound states below threshold ($E < 0$)
- depends on Coulomb scale: $\mu_C \sim m_t \beta$
- NNLL: need higher order Coulomb and non-Coulomb corrections

Matching to Fixed Order Cross Section

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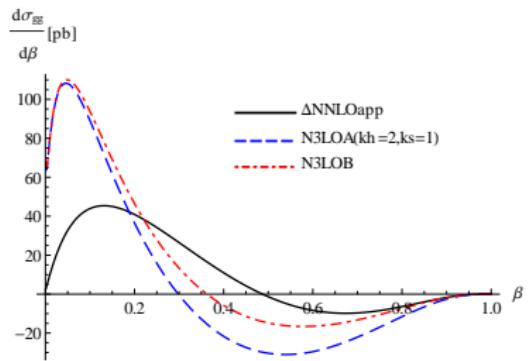
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Is resummation necessary?

- potentially large corrections at $N^3\text{LO}$
- $1/\beta^4$ term at $N^4\text{LO}$

⇒ Yes



[Beneke, Falgari, Klein, Schwinn 2011]

TOP-pair Inclusive X Section

<http://users.ph.tum.de/t31software/topixs/>

- user-friendly program for combined soft and gluon resummation
- flexible choice of input parameters (\sqrt{s} , m_t , ...)
- fully automatic evaluation of PDF+ α_s error for predefined PDF sets
- current version: TOPIXS 1.1
- update with full NNLO result in progress

other programs are available:

HATHOR [Aliev et al. 2010], TopNNLO [Ahrens et al. 2011],
Top++ [Czakon, Mitov 2011]

Results

| $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$ [pb] | Tevatron | LHC @ 7 TeV | LHC @ 8 TeV |
|--------------------------|---|--|--|
| NLO | $6.68^{+0.36}_{-0.75} {}^{+0.23}_{-0.22}$ | $158.1^{+19.5}_{-21.2} {}^{+6.8}_{-6.2}$ | $226.2^{+27.8}_{-29.7} {}^{+9.2}_{-8.3}$ |
| NNLO | $7.00^{+0.27}_{-0.37} {}^{+0.29}_{-0.24}$ | $167.1^{+6.7}_{-10.7} {}^{+7.6}_{-7.1}$ | $239.1^{+9.3}_{-14.8} {}^{+10.4}_{-9.6}$ |
| NNLO+NNLL | $7.15^{+0.24}_{-0.10} {}^{+0.30}_{-0.25}$ | $168.5^{+6.3}_{-7.5} {}^{+7.7}_{-7.2}$ | $241.0^{+8.7}_{-11.1} {}^{+10.5}_{-9.7}$ |

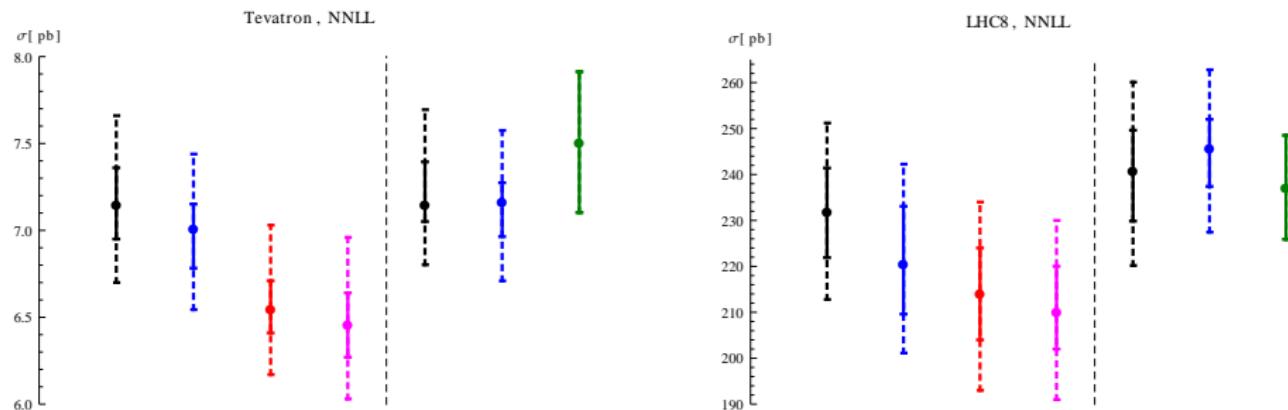
$m_t = 173.3$ GeV, MSTW 2008 NLO/NNLO, $\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1171$, **TOPIXS 2.0 (preliminary)**

- correction beyond NLO:

| | |
|----------|------------|
| Tevatron | $\sim 7\%$ |
| LHC | $\sim 6\%$ |
- theory uncertainty:

| | |
|----------|----------------|
| Tevatron | $\sim \pm 3\%$ |
| LHC | $\sim \pm 5\%$ |
- PDF+ α_s uncertainty $\sim \pm 5\%$

Comparison of NNLL Results



left of dashed line:

Beneke, Falgari, Klein, JP, Schwinn, Ubiali, Yan 2012 ($m_t = 173.3$ GeV)

Top++ 1.4 ($m_t = 173.3$ GeV; implements result by Cacciari, Czakon, Mangano, Mitov, Nason 2011)

Ahrens, Ferroglio, Neubert, Pecjak, Yang 2011 (1PI, $m_t = 173.1$ GeV)

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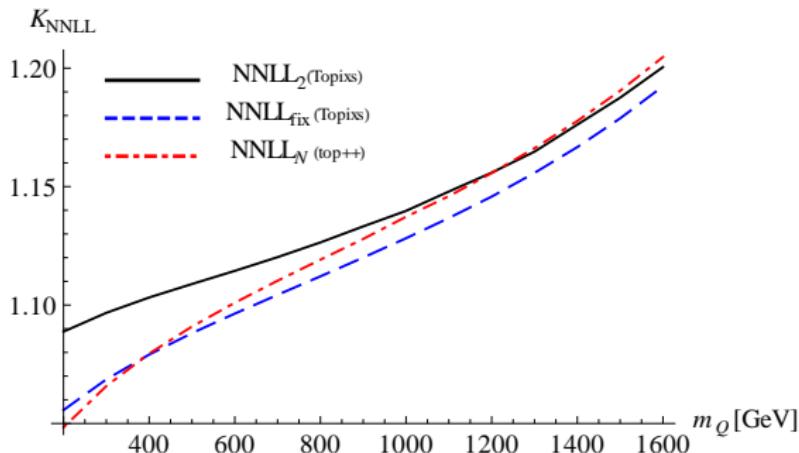
TOPIXIS 2.0 (preliminary); Top++ 2.0

experimental results:

Tevatron combination from arXiv:1309.7570; ATLAS-CONF-2013-097 (rescaled to $m_t = 173.3$ GeV)

error bars: solid – theory, dashed – PDF($+\alpha_s$); PDF set: MSTW 2008 NNLO

Heavy “Top” Quarks



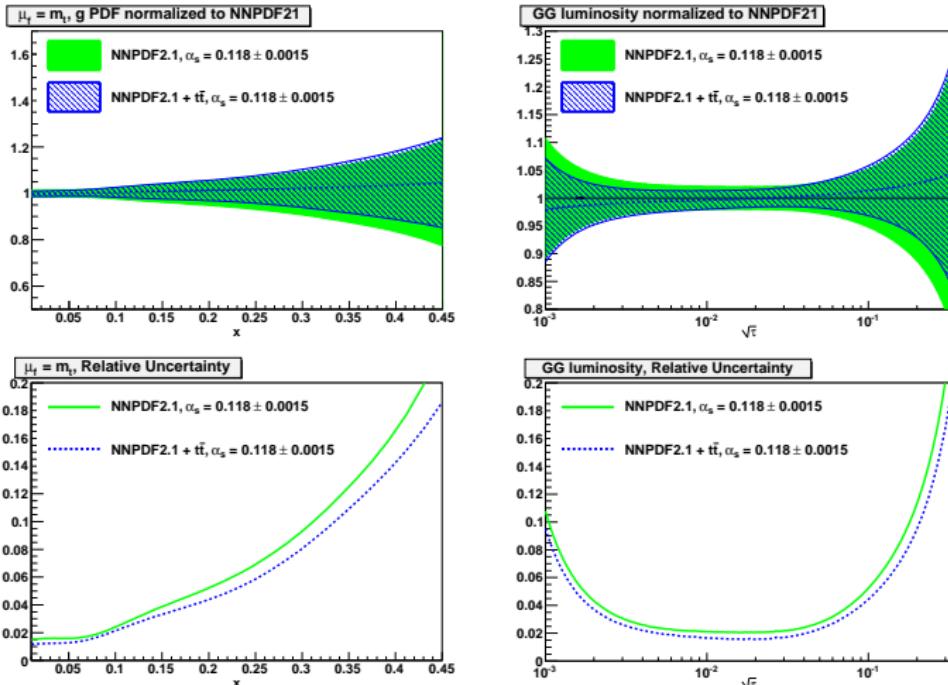
$$K_{\text{NNLL}} = \sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\text{NNLL}} / \sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\text{NLO}}$$

NNLL_2 , NNLL_{fix} computed with TOPXIS 1.0

NNLL_N computed with Top++ 1.2

- different implementations agree better for larger masses
- Mellin- and momentum-space results agree within ambiguity of the latter

Gluon Distribution



Reweighting of NNPDF 2.1 gluon distribution using 350 replicas and
 $\sigma_{tt}^{\text{exp}} = 173.23 \pm 9.59 \text{ pb}$, $m_t = 173.3 \text{ GeV}$, $\alpha_s = 0.118 \pm 0.0015$

see also [Czakon, Mangano, Mitov, Rojo 2013] and [Alekhin, Blümlein, Moch 2013]

- total cross section is available at NNLO+NNLL
- public programs are available for analyses
- theory uncertainty $\sim \pm 5\%$ at LHC and $\sim \pm 3\%$ at Tevatron
- PDF+ α_s uncertainty $\sim \pm 5\%$
- LHC $t\bar{t}$ data has impact on PDF fits

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Fixed vs. Running Soft Scale

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running soft scale:

Beneke, Falgari, Klein, Schwinn 2011

- divide β integration into two regions
- $\beta < \beta_{\text{cut}}$: small ambiguities, $\mu_s = 2m_t\beta_{\text{cut}}^2$
- $\beta > \beta_{\text{cut}}$: no large logarithms, $\mu_s = 2m_t\beta^2$
- Tevatron: $\beta_{\text{cut}} = 0.35$; LHC: $\beta_{\text{cut}} = 0.54$

Kinematic Ambiguity in Fixed Soft Scale

cross section depends on energy $E = \sqrt{\hat{s}} - 2m_t$

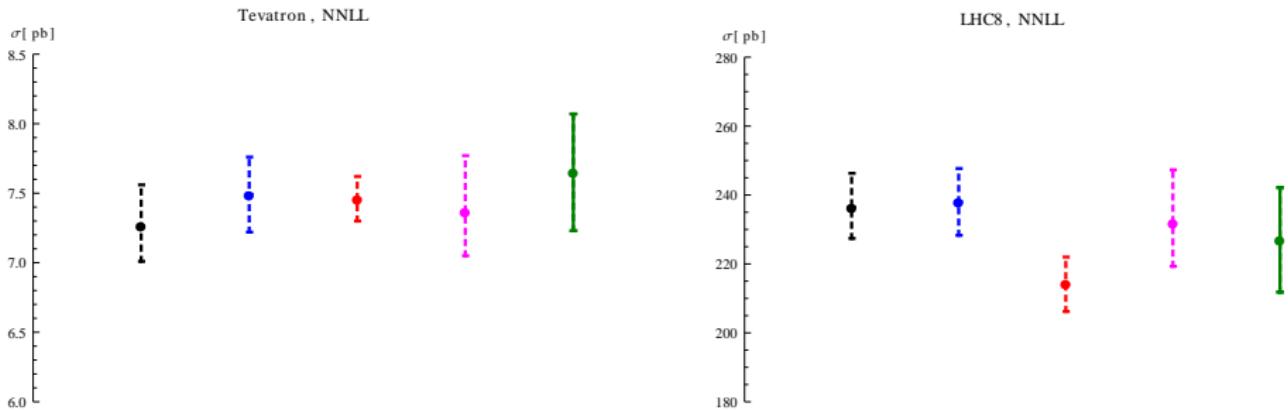
threshold limit: $E \approx m_t\beta^2 + \dots$

↔ soft corrections can be expressed in terms of $\ln(E/\mu_s)$ or $\ln(m_t\beta^2/\mu_s)$

expressions agree in threshold limit, but lead to large differences at Tevatron and LHC energies:

| | $\ln(E/\mu_s)$ | $\ln(m_t\beta^2/\mu_s)$ |
|-------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Tevatron | $\mu_s = 52 \text{ GeV}$ | $\mu_s = 35 \text{ GeV}$ |
| LHC (8 TeV) | $\mu_s = 103 \text{ GeV}$ | $\mu_s = 60 \text{ GeV}$ |

Comparison of PDF Sets



MSTW 2008

NNPDF 2.1

ABM 2011

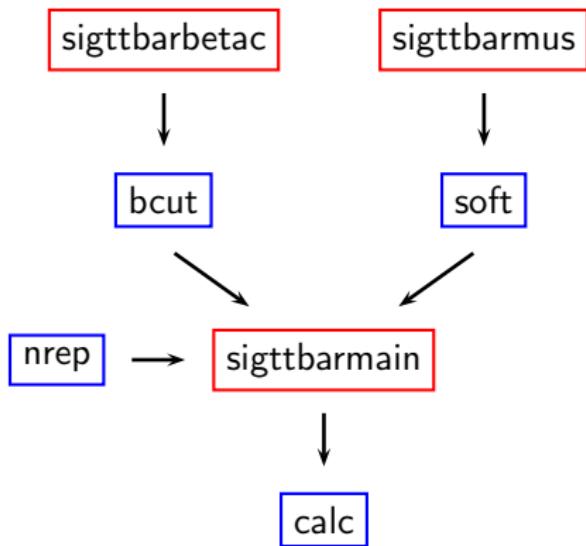
CT 2010

Tevatron combination from TOP 2012; CMS result from ICHEP 2012

error bars: dashed – PDF+ α_s

$\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.118$, $m_t = 173.3$ GeV, NNLL₂ computed with TOPIXS 1.1 using NNLO PDFs

Program Structure



- 3 **FORTRAN** programs
- 4 **C++** programs
- controlled by shell script
- configured with single text file

external libraries:

- LHAPDF Whalley, Bourilkov, Group 2005
- hplog Gehrmann, Remiddi 2001
- QUADPACK Piessens et al. 1983
- GSL Galassi et al. 2009

Example (version 2.0)

1. create config file:

`example.cfg`

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OUTFILE=Tevatron
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4. result: [Tevatron.res](#)

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```
proton-antiproton
sqrt(s) = 1960 GeV
mtop = 173.3 GeV
PDF set: MSTW08
running mu_s
beta_cut(ks = 1, NNLL) = 0.5700
beta_cut(ks = 2, NNLL) = 0.3800
beta_cut(ks = 4, NNLL) = 0.2400
full NNLO for qqbar channel
full NNLO for qq', qqbar' and qq channels
full NNLO for qg channel
full NNLO for gg channel
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```
NNLO: 7.00564 pb
      +0.265619 -0.372279 (theory)
      +0.290501 -0.240203 (PDF+alpha_s)
decomposition of theory error:
      +0.265619 -0.372279 (scale)
      +0 -0 (NNLO constant)
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```
NNLL2BS: 7.15094 pb
      +0.243505 -0.0999633 (theory)
      +0.300005 -0.248672 (PDF+alpha_s)
decomposition of theory error:
      +0.151686 -0.0122404 (scale)
      +0.190489 -0.0992111 (resummation)
      +0 -0 (NNLO constant)
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