

# *W+3 Jet Production at Hadron Colliders:*

## *NLO computations with BlackHat + SHERPA*

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**arXiv:0803.4180 ; arXiv:0808.0941 ; arXiv:0902.2760**



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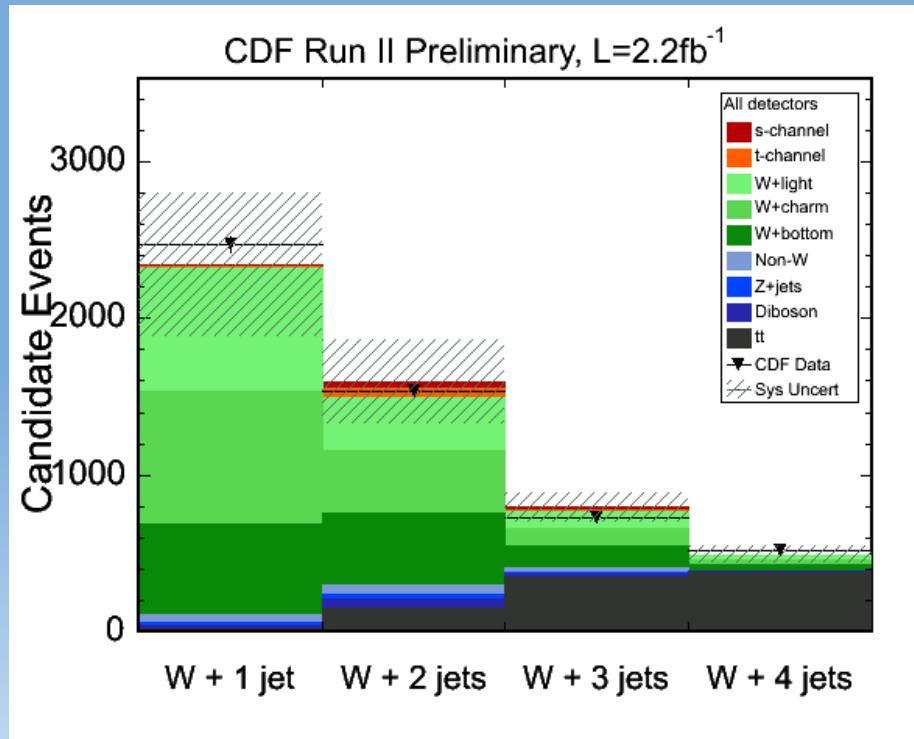
# *Messages*

1. NLO QCD corrections necessary for hadron collider physic
  - First quantitative reliable predictions
  - Corrections not always amount to global rescaling:  
Change of distribution shapes!
2. Oncoming Automated NLO Corrections
  - NLO corrections with BlackHat+SHERPA
  - W+n jets (n=1,2,3) at NLO QCD

# *The Challenges of Hadron Collider Physics*

## Tevatron: Single Top Production

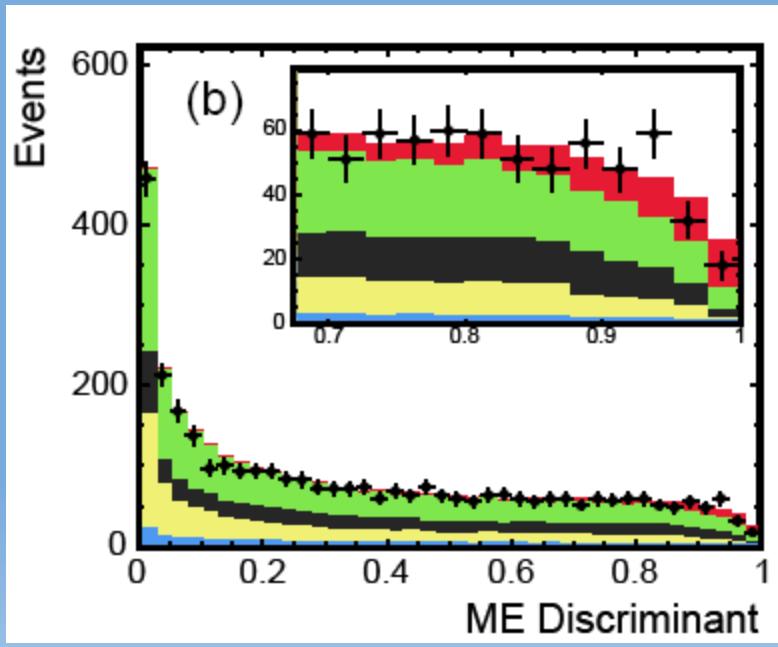
T. Aaltonen et al. [CDF Collaboration], arXiv:0809.2581



But we should not limit the physics reach of our experiments by restricting them only to “counting” analyses:

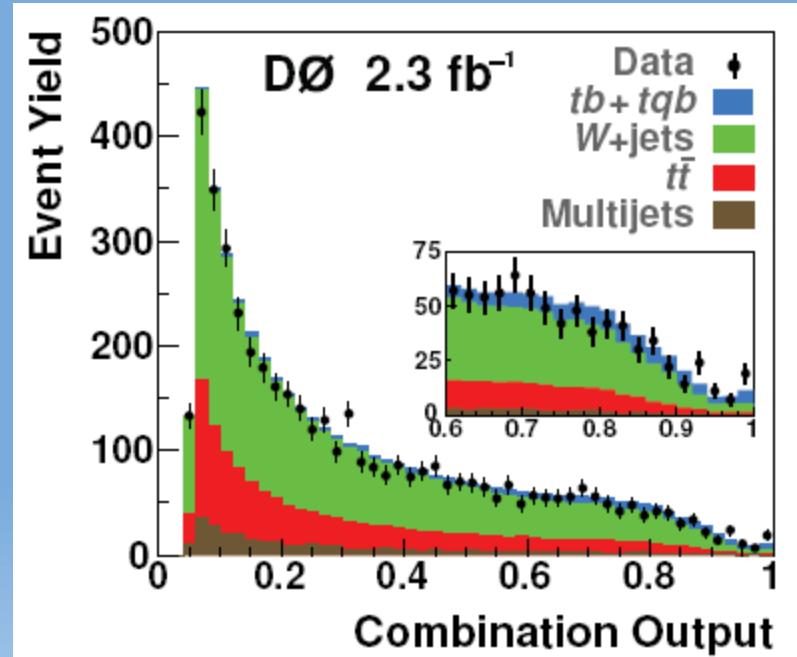
For example the matrix element method uses full information of LO matrix elements to pull the signal out of background.

# Tevatron: Single Top Production



CDF 5 sigma discovery!

arXiv:0903.0885



D0 5 sigma discovery!

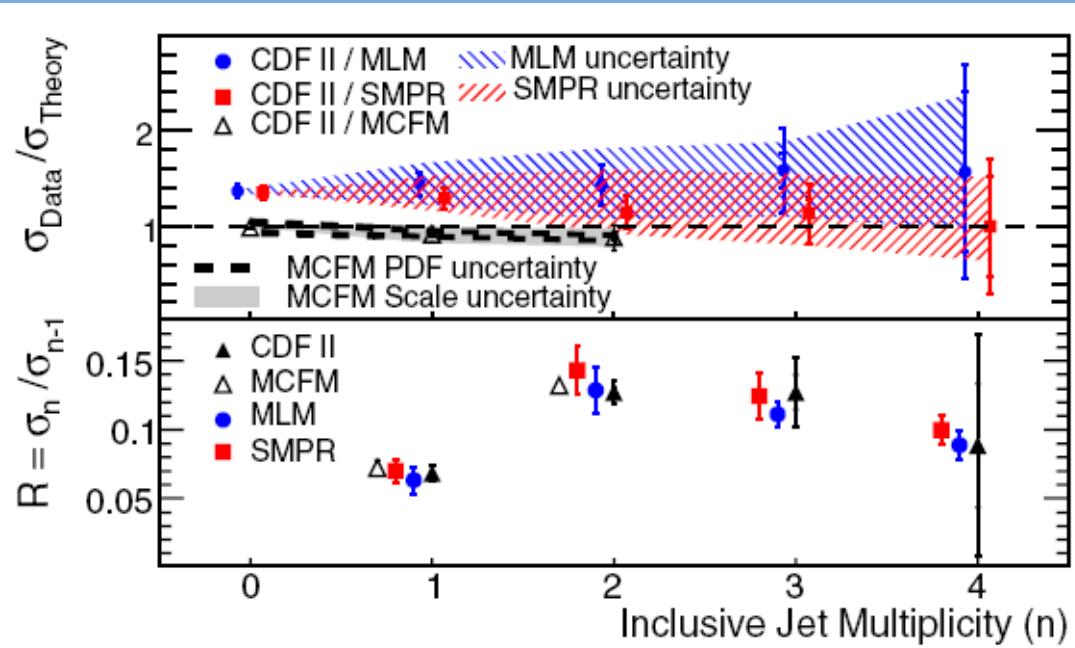
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**It should be possible to do better by using NLO matrix elements.**

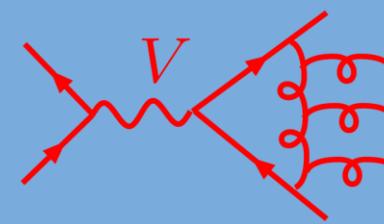
The goal is to provide experimenters with necessary theoretical tools for a wide variety of processes.

# Comparing tools

T. Aaltonen et al. [CDF Collaboration], arXiv:0711.4044



Wanted: LHC studies with extra jets:



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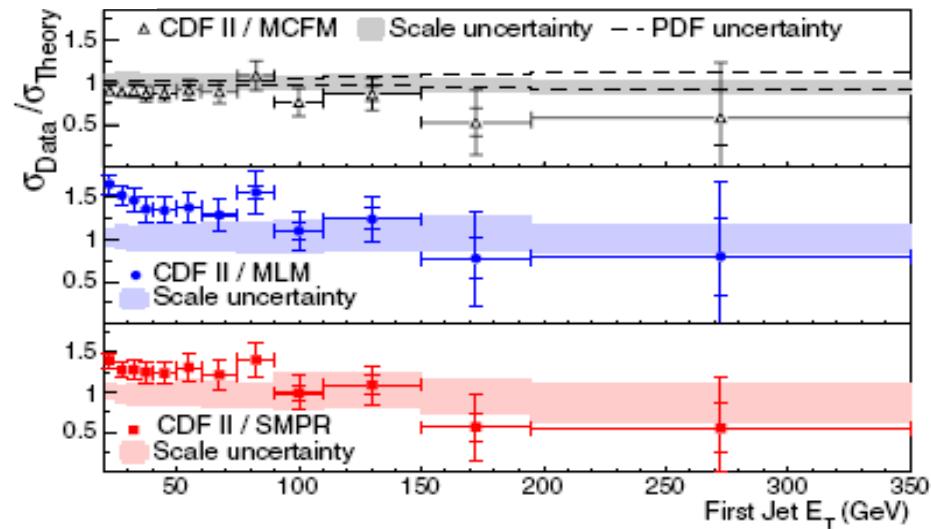
data from  $320 pb^{-1}$

SMPR-model: Madgraph+Pythia

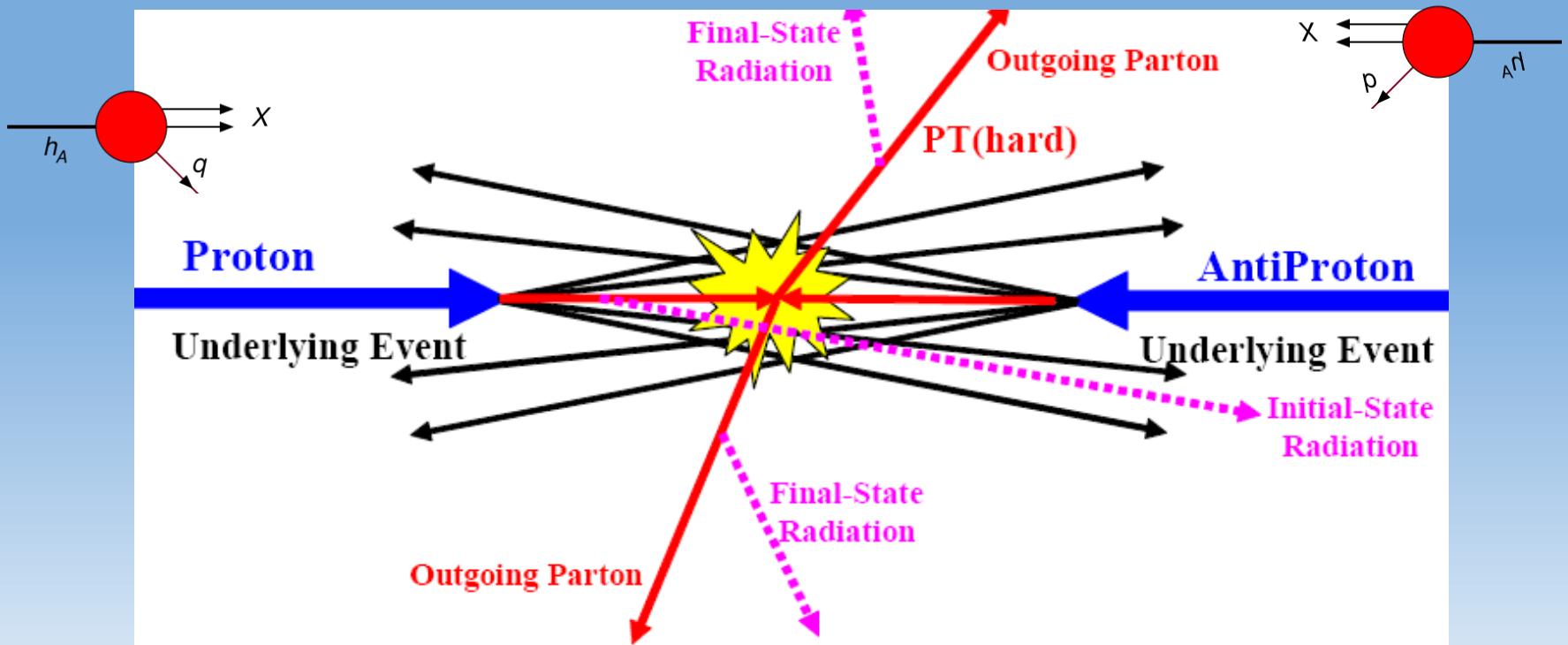
MLM-model: Alpgen+Herwig

MCFM; parton level; including **Bern, Dixon, Kosower, Weinzierl** 1-loop matrix elements; Full NLO by **Campbell and Ellis**

} LO,  
NLO.



# Scattering processes at hadron colliders: *A multi-layered problem*



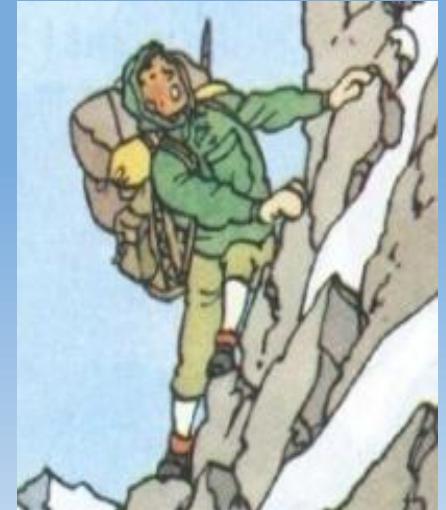
*taken from Rick Field*

(C.F. Berger, Z. Bern, L. Dixon, FFC  
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# **$W+n\ j$ ( $n=1,2,3$ ) at NLO**



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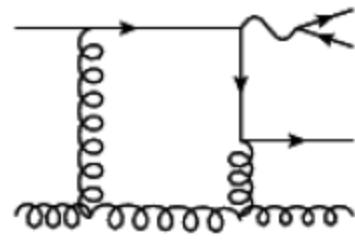
See talks by:

- *Carola F. Berger*
- *Frank Krauss*

# NLO Quantum Corrections

one loop amplitudes interfered  
with the Born

W+2 :

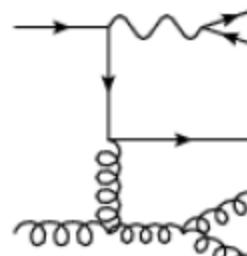


**BlackHat:**

Automating the computation  
of one loop matrix elements

(arXiv:0803.4180 ; arXiv:0808.0941)

real contributions with one extra  
parton in the final state



**Sherpa:**

Within AMEGIC++ automates the Catany-Seymour  
Dipole subtraction for real corrections

(T. Gleisberg, F. Krauss, 2007)

# *More Activity in Automating NLO Computations:*

- Real pieces:
  - MadDipole Frederix, Gehrmann, Greiner
  - Seymour, Tevlin
  - Hasegawa, Moch, Uwer
  - ...
- Virtual pieces:
  - CutTools Ossola, Papadopoulos, Pittau
  - Rocket Ellis, Giele, Kunszt, Melnikov, Zanderighi
  - Lazopoulos
  - Giele and Winter
  - ...

# W+Jets at the Tevatron: CDF Analysis

T. Aaltonen et al. [CDF Collaboration], arXiv:0711.4044, 320 pb<sup>-1</sup>

	Cut
Electron Et	20 GeV
Electron eta	1.1
Missing Energy	30 GeV
W Transverse Mass	20 GeV
Jet Et	20 – 25 GeV
Jet eta	2
Delta R	0.4

We employ the SISCone Jet Algorithm

*Salam, Soyez arXiv:0704.0292*

CTEQ pdfs, and a dynamical factorization/renormalization scale ( $\sqrt{M_W^2 + p_T W^2}$ ) for comparison with data

# *W+n jets: Comparing Rates*

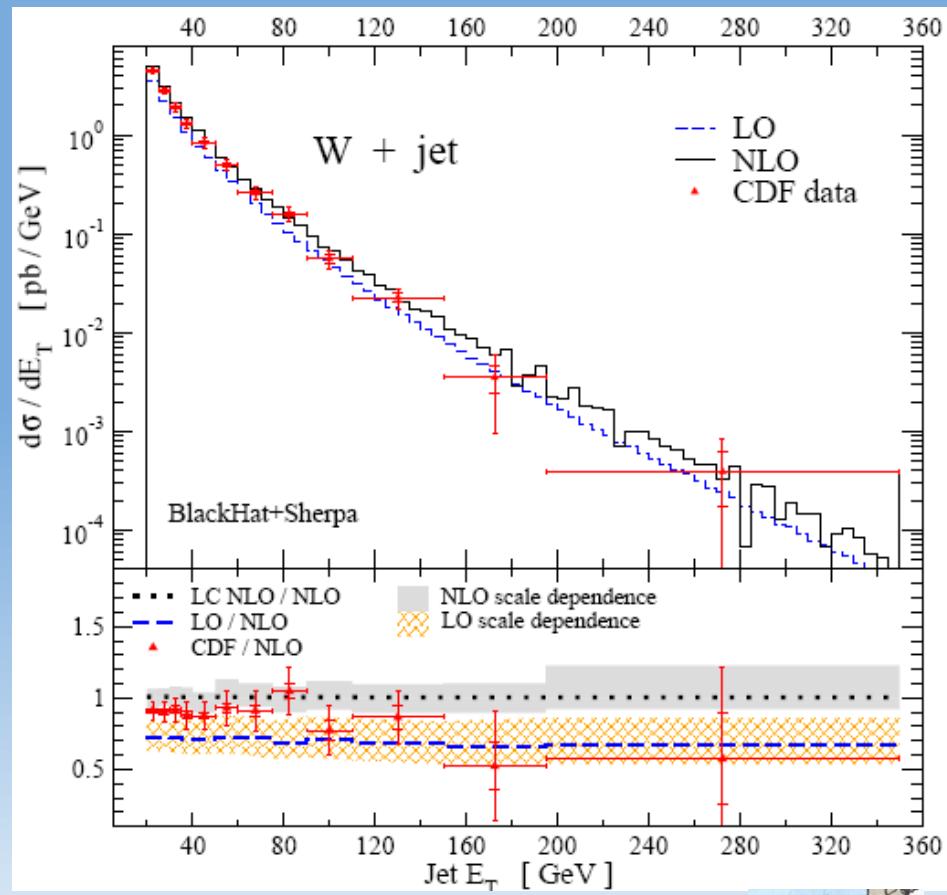
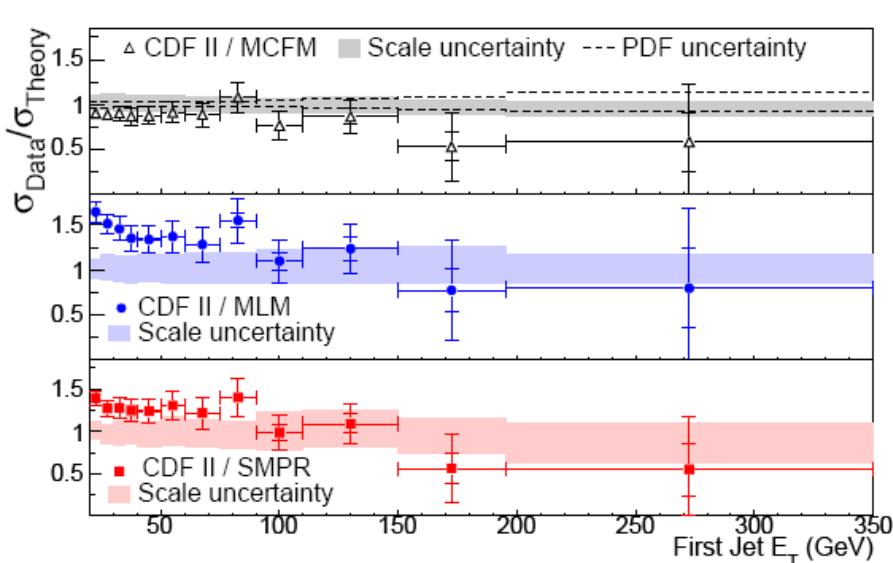
number of jets	CDF	NLO
1	$53.5 \pm 5.6$	$57.8^{+4.4}_{-4.0}$
2	$6.8 \pm 1.1$	$7.62^{+0.62}_{-0.86}$
3	$0.84 \pm 0.24$	$0.882(5)^{+0.057}_{-0.138}$

*Reduction in Scale Dependence*

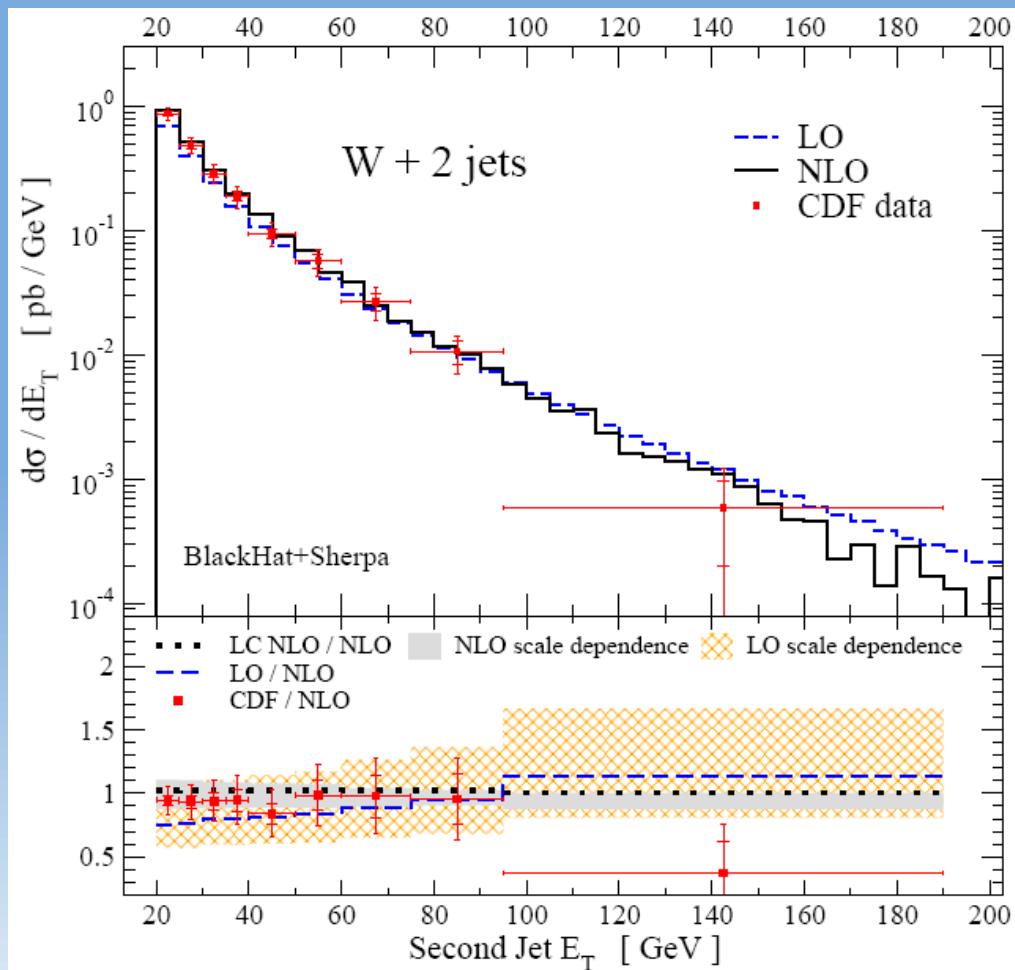
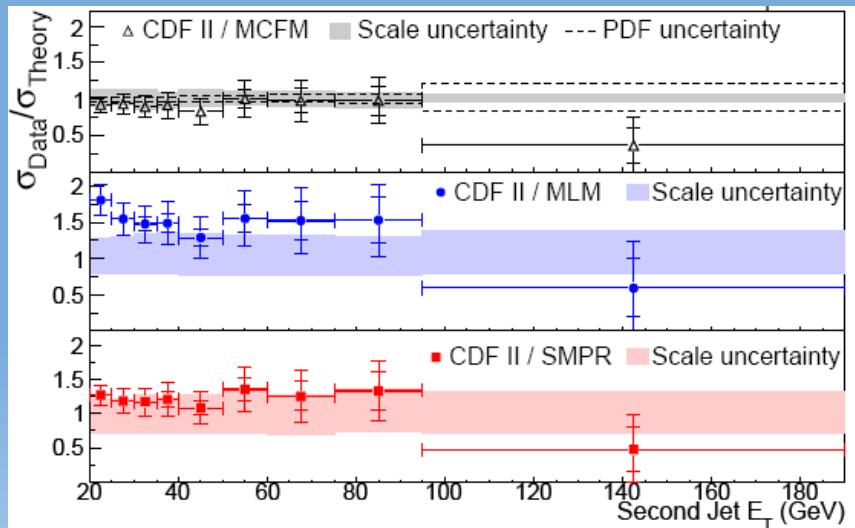
Number of jets	LO	NLO
1	16%	7%
2	30%	10%
3	42%	12%



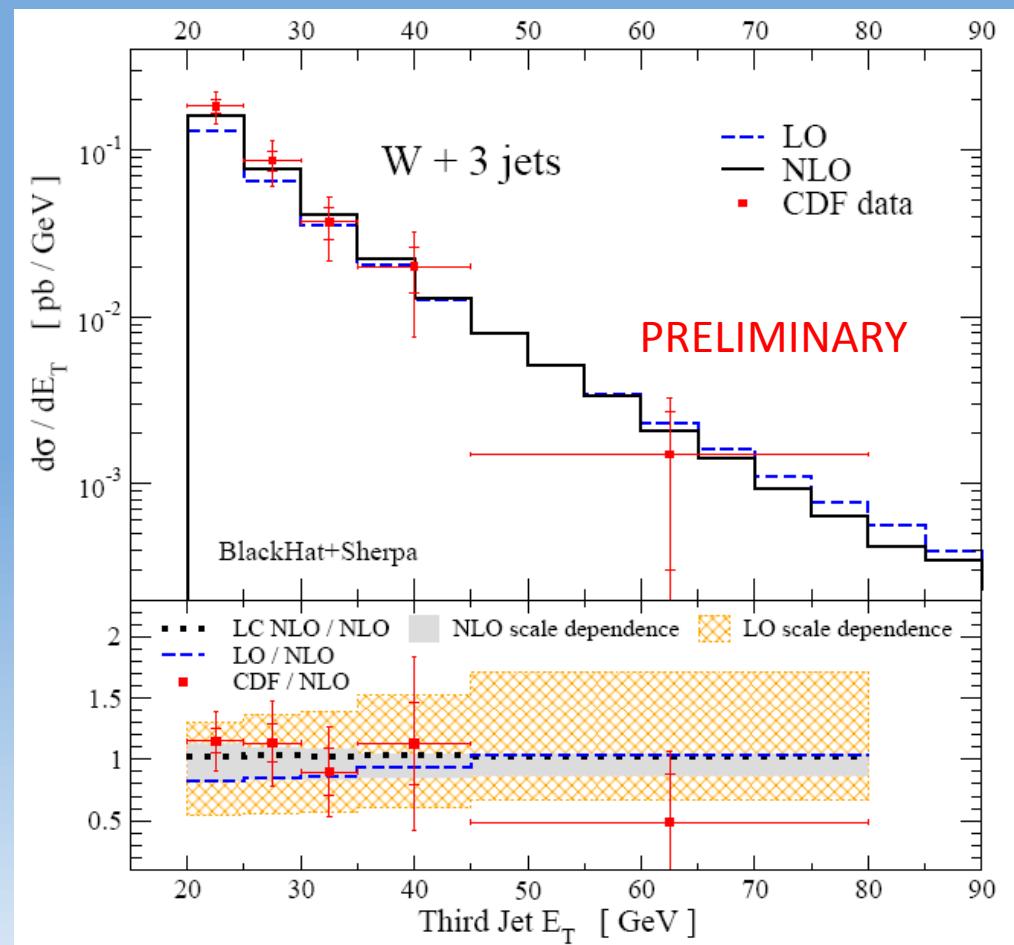
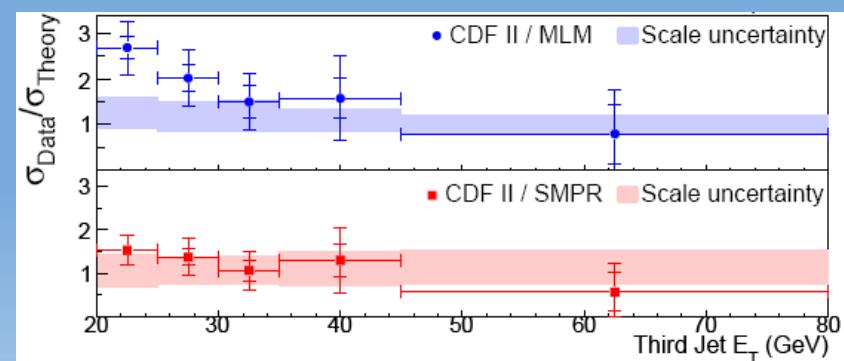
# $W + \text{jet} + X$ at the Tevatron



# $W+2$ jets + $X$ at the Tevatron



# W+3 jets + X at the Tevatron



# *W+3 Jets at the LHC*

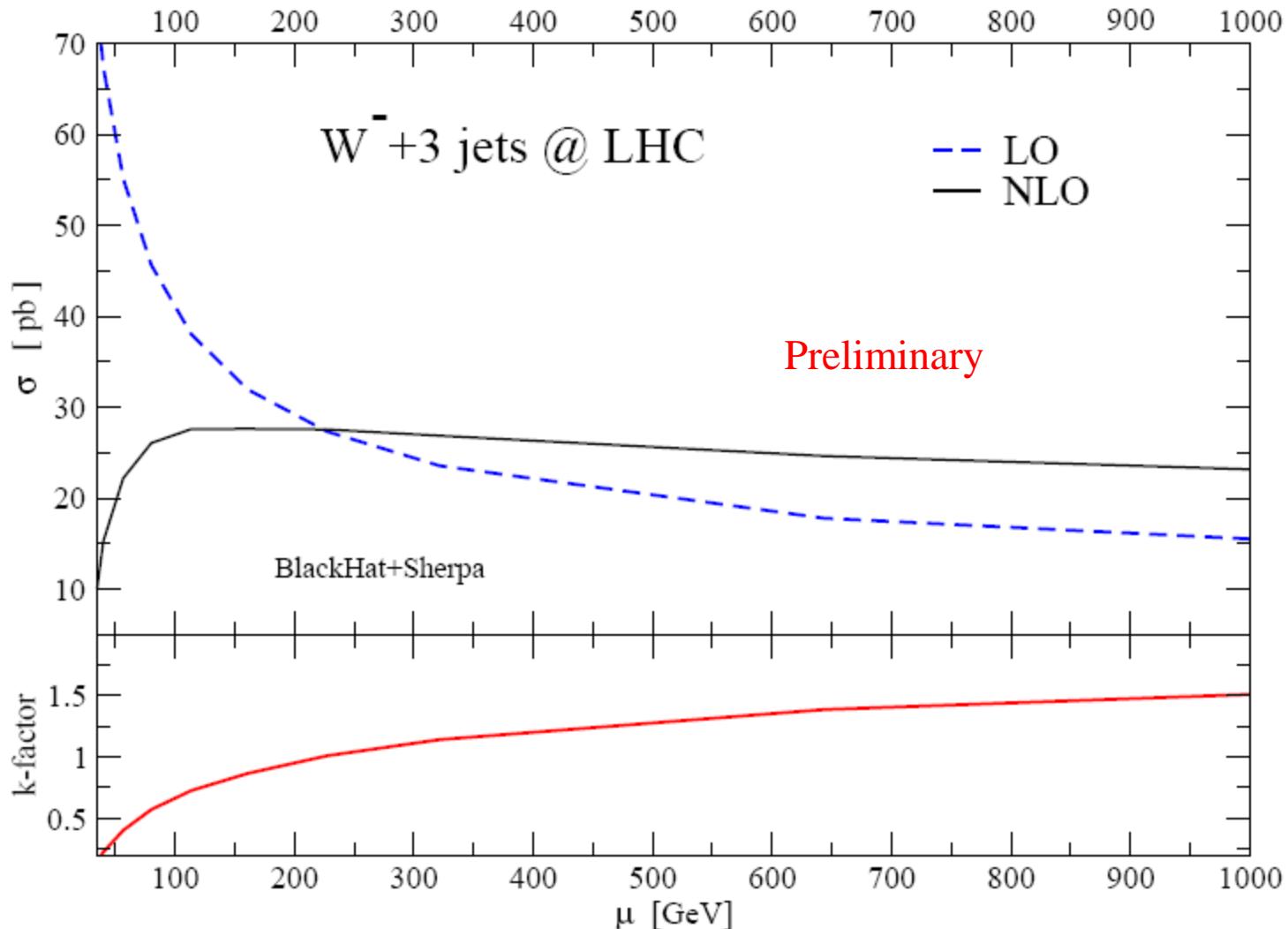
PRELIMINARY

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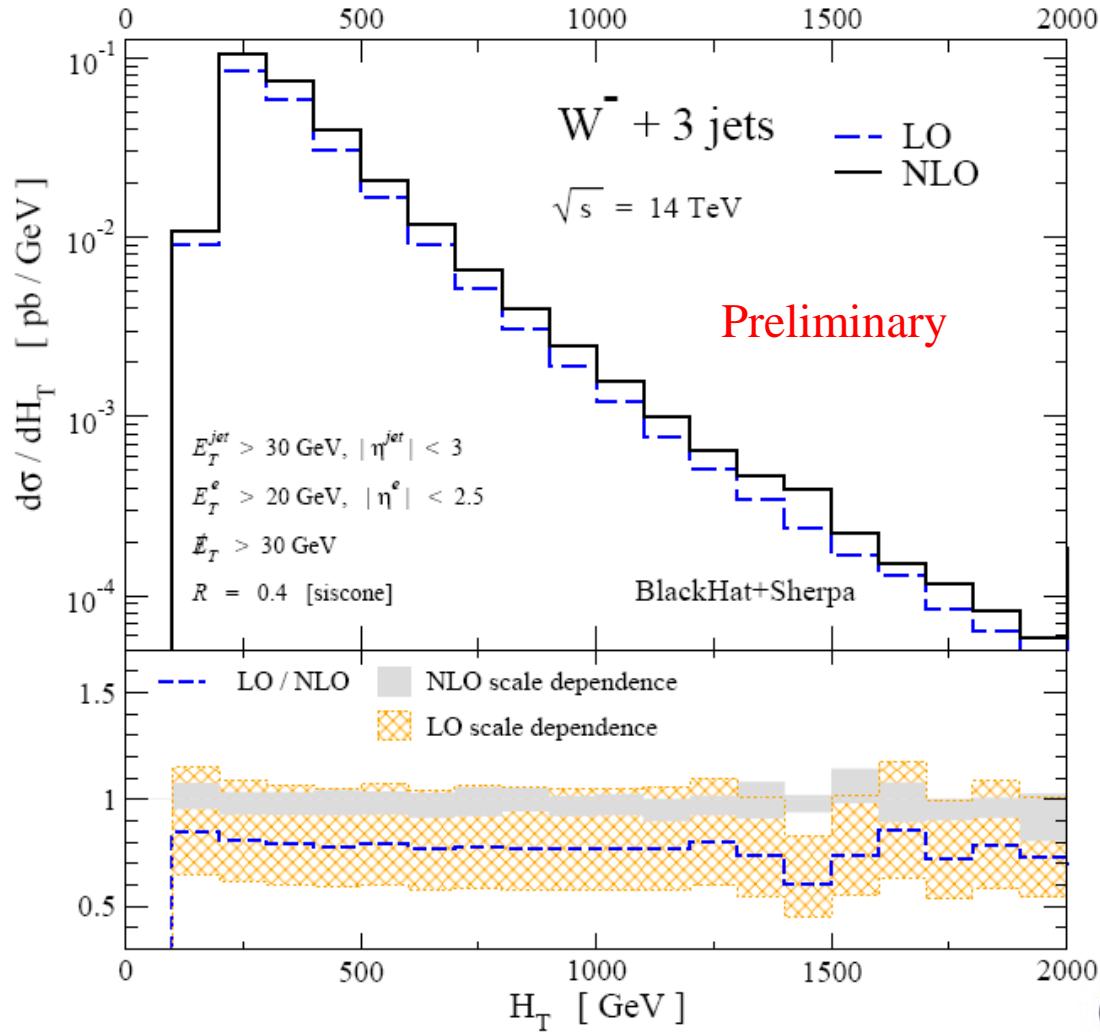
$E_{CM} = 14 \text{ TeV}$

SISCone

# LHC total cross section



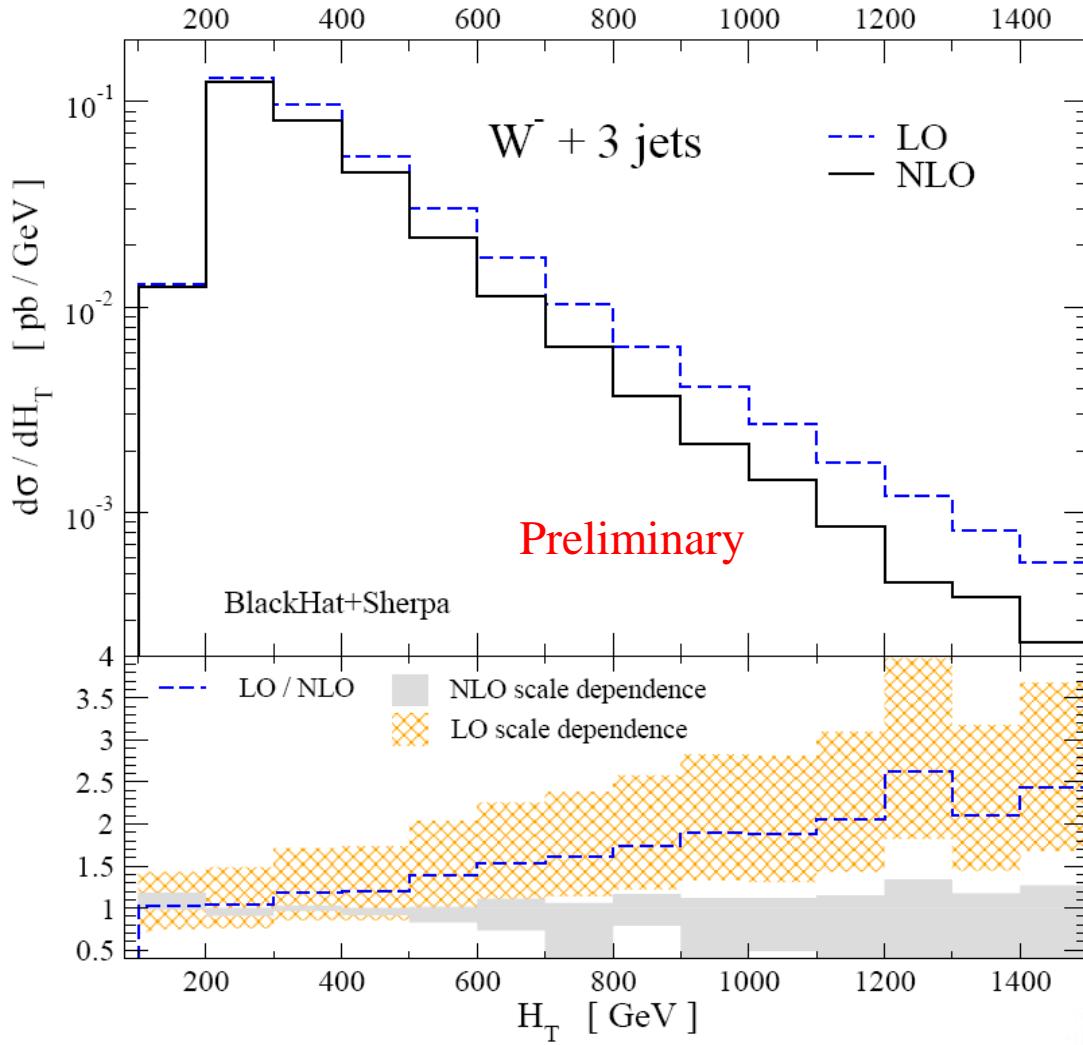
$H_T = \sum_j E_{T,j}^{\text{jet}} + E_T^e + \cancel{E}_T$  distribution



$\mu = H_T$



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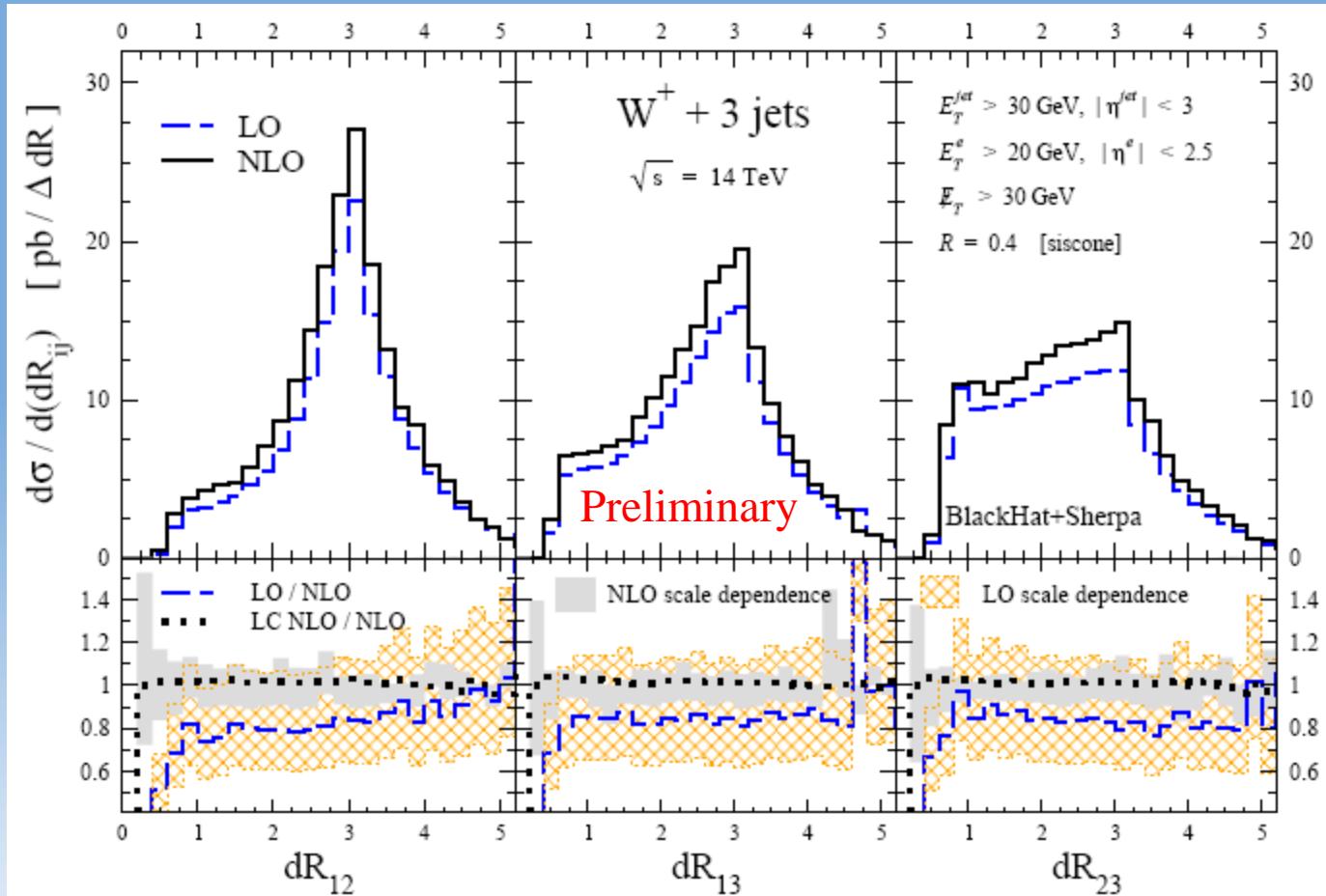
$$\mu = \sqrt{M_W^2 + p_T^2(W)}$$



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# Jet dR Distributions



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# Conclusions

- **NLO QCD corrections** are an important tool for hadron collider analyses: first reliable quantitative predictions
- **Automated tools** for computing loop quantum corrections are now on the horizon!
- Presented NLO QCD corrections to  **$W+n$  jets ( $n=1,2,3$ )** production at hadron colliders using ***BlackHat+SHERPA***: good description of CDF data
- **Public Release** of the codes is expected soon!