

# Tools for Drell-Yan at NNLO

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# Drell-Yan at LHC

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- neutral current Z production has large  $\sigma$ 
  - clear collider signature with  $l^+l^-$
- LHC standard candle
  - detector calibration
  - luminosity monitoring (Dittmar et. al.)
  - measure EW parameters
  - PDF measurements

# DY at NNLO?

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- LHC will produce large amount of data
  - small statistical error
  - measurements limited by systematics & theoretical error
- Can expect percent level physics
- Need to understand distributions, backgrounds, uncertainties
  - measurements require theory input
  - need higher order calculations

# Need for Differential Distributions

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- DY at NNLO calculated, but inclusive (Hamberg, Matsuura, van Neerven)
- differential distributions needed
  - PDF extraction Z rapidity dependent
  - simulate distributions in detector-like scenarios
    - > cuts on  $p_T$ , rapidity, isolation
- 2006: FEWZ (Melnikov, Petriello)
  - compute W/Z DY cross sections in hadron colliders
    - > Fully Exclusive at LO, NLO, & NNLO in QCD
    - > Leptonic decays of W & Z contain full spin correlations

# FEWZ

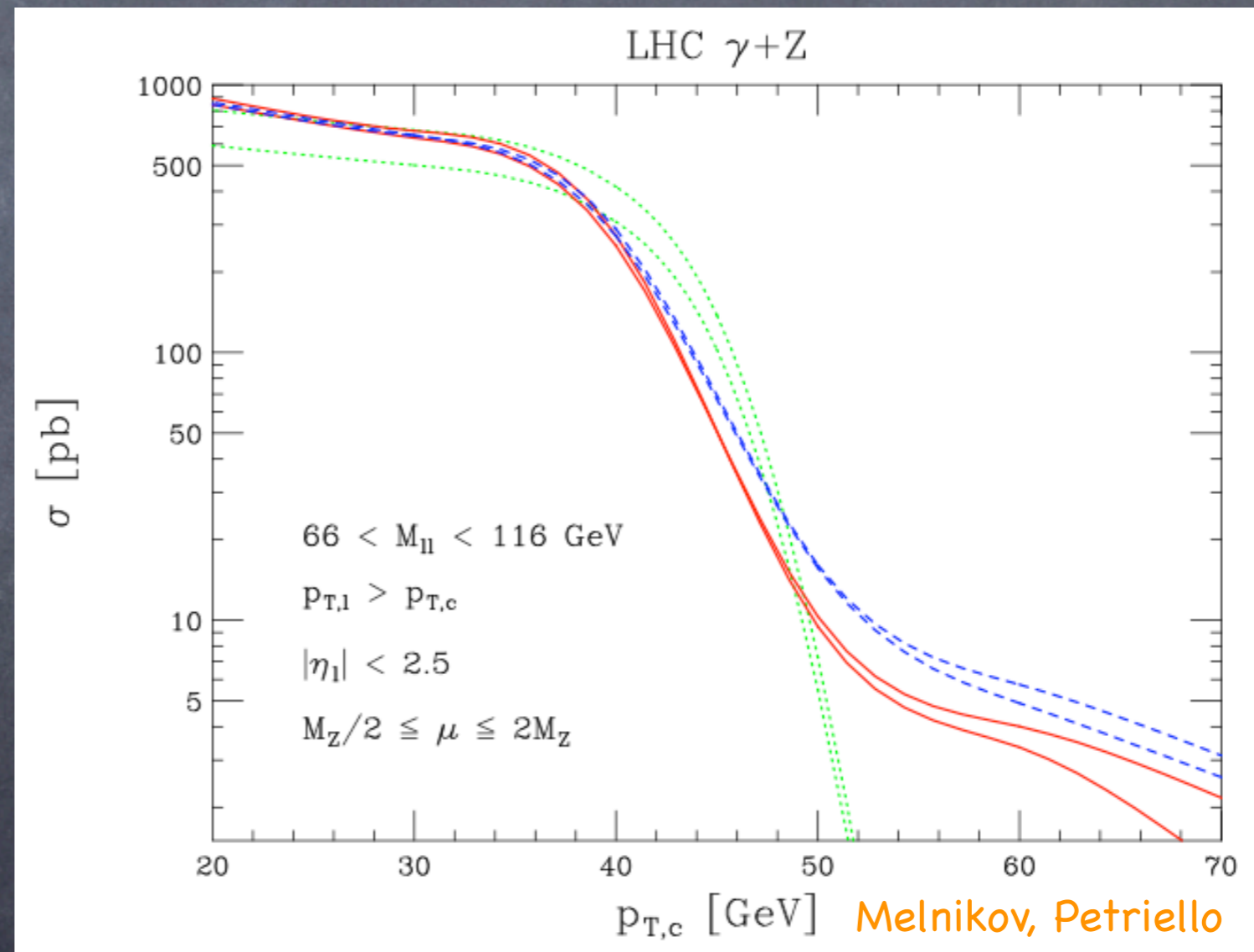
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- Fortran based numerical code which allows user to control DY calculation:
  - two executables: FEWZw & FEWZz, for charged and neutral current DY production respectively
  - perturbative order in QCD & CM energy
  - collider type (pp or  $p\bar{p}$ )
  - numerical integration parameters (Vegas)
  - PDF set (CTEQ & MRST/MSTW)
  - cuts on leptons

# FEWZ

- Example:  $\sigma_{Z \rightarrow l^+ l^-}$  (lepton  $p_T$  cut)
- clear discrepancy between NLO & NNLO at high  $p_T$  cutoff

- NNLO: blue
- NLO: red
- LO: green



# FEWZ

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- FEWZ is very useful, but could use improvements
  - can only calculate one number per run
  - lengthy run time for NNLO
  - user must manually hard code cuts
  - some parameters are hard coded (Vegas, EW)
- Changes to some FEWZ parameters require recompiling
- Goal: ease use of FEWZz (neutral current DY) for user

# Improved FEWZz

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- New features to FEWZz:
  - PDF error propagation
  - revised input file (set cuts, PDF, jet algorithm, isolation)
  - simultaneous generation of predefined histograms
    - > histogram parameters set in a histogram input file
  - reduced run time for NNLO calculations



# Reduced Run Time at NNLO

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- Previous version, entire NNLO expression in integrand
  - large expression for Vegas to integrate
- NNLO expression now sensibly split into 'sectors'
  - each sector integrated separately, then combined later
  - some sectors anti-correlate – recombined before integration – improve convergence and lower  $\chi^2$
  - separate sectors can be evaluated in parallel using multiple processors locally, or by using a batch job system (e.g. Condor)

# Input File

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- Improved input file → improved user interface
  - set CMS collision energy,  $\mu_F$  &  $\mu_R$  scales, collider type, EW parameters (couplings, masses, widths)
  - set Vegas parameters (desired accuracy, evaluation, iterations)
  - set desired cuts: invariant lepton mass  
Z, lepton, & jet –  $p_T$  & rapidity ( $Y, \eta$ )  
jet algorithm cone size,  $\Delta R_{\text{algo}}$   
isolation: lep/lep, lep/jet  
min & max # of jets allowed in event
  - define desired PDF and related parameters
- These parameters no longer hard coded

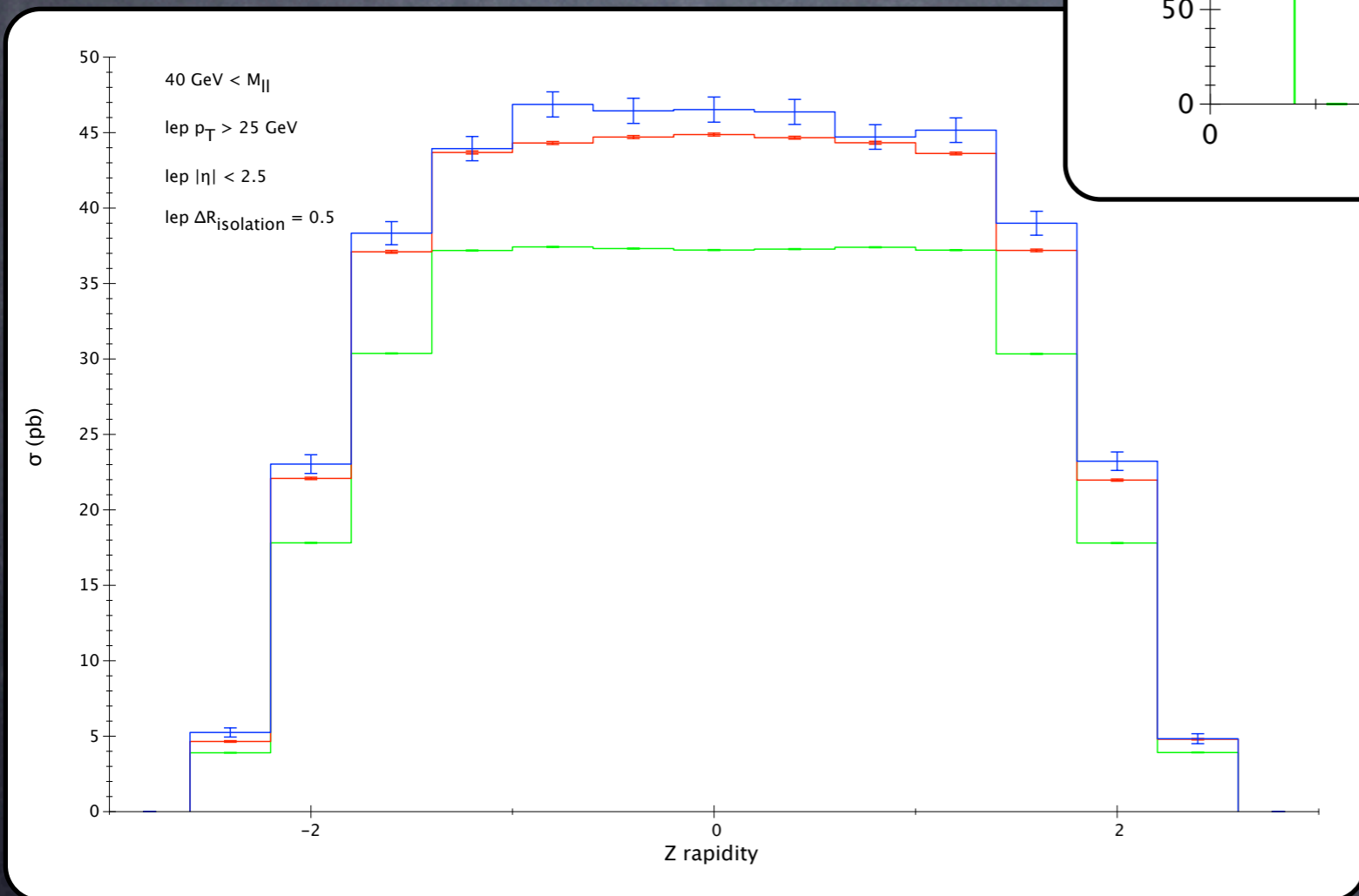
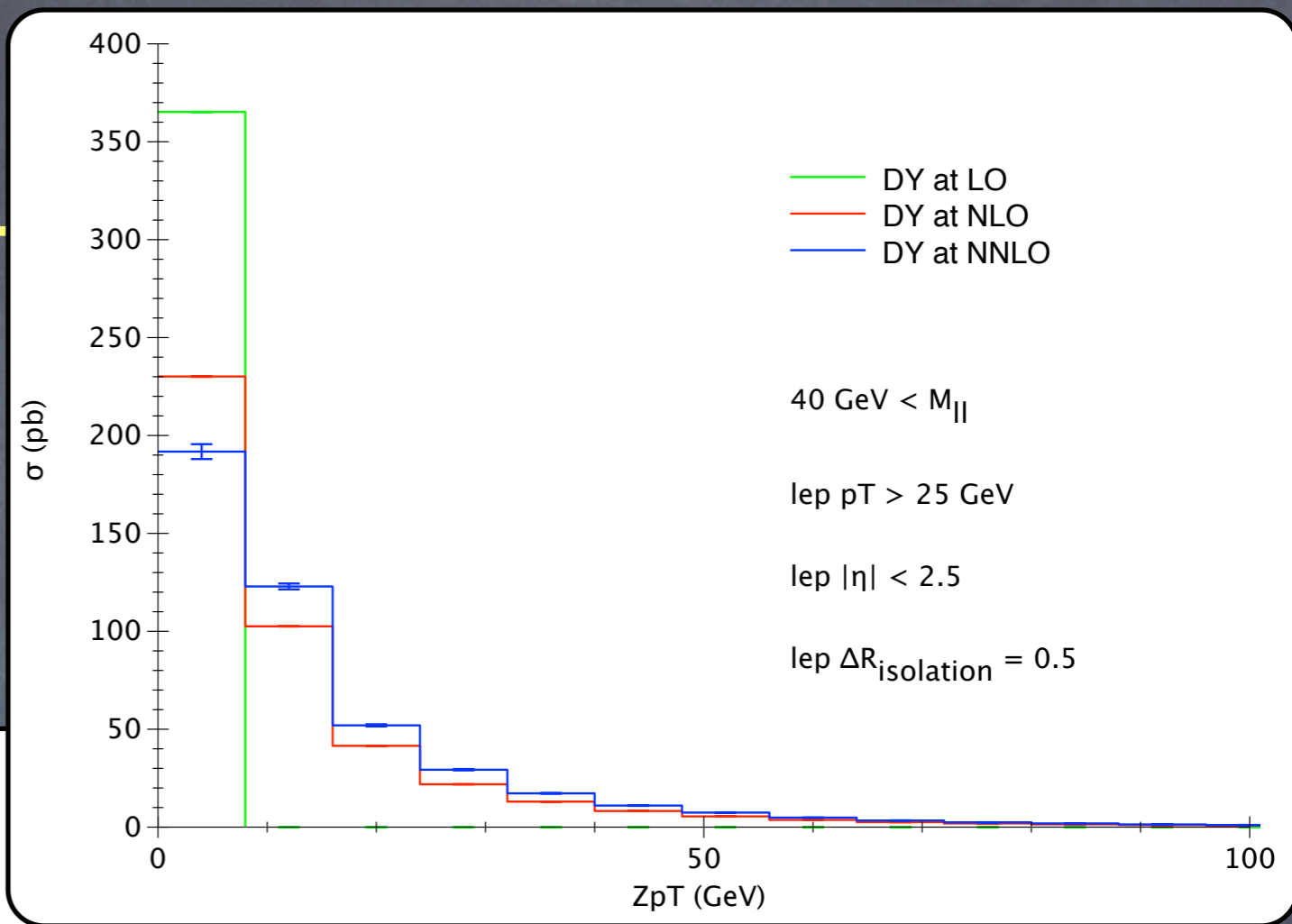
# Histogram Input File

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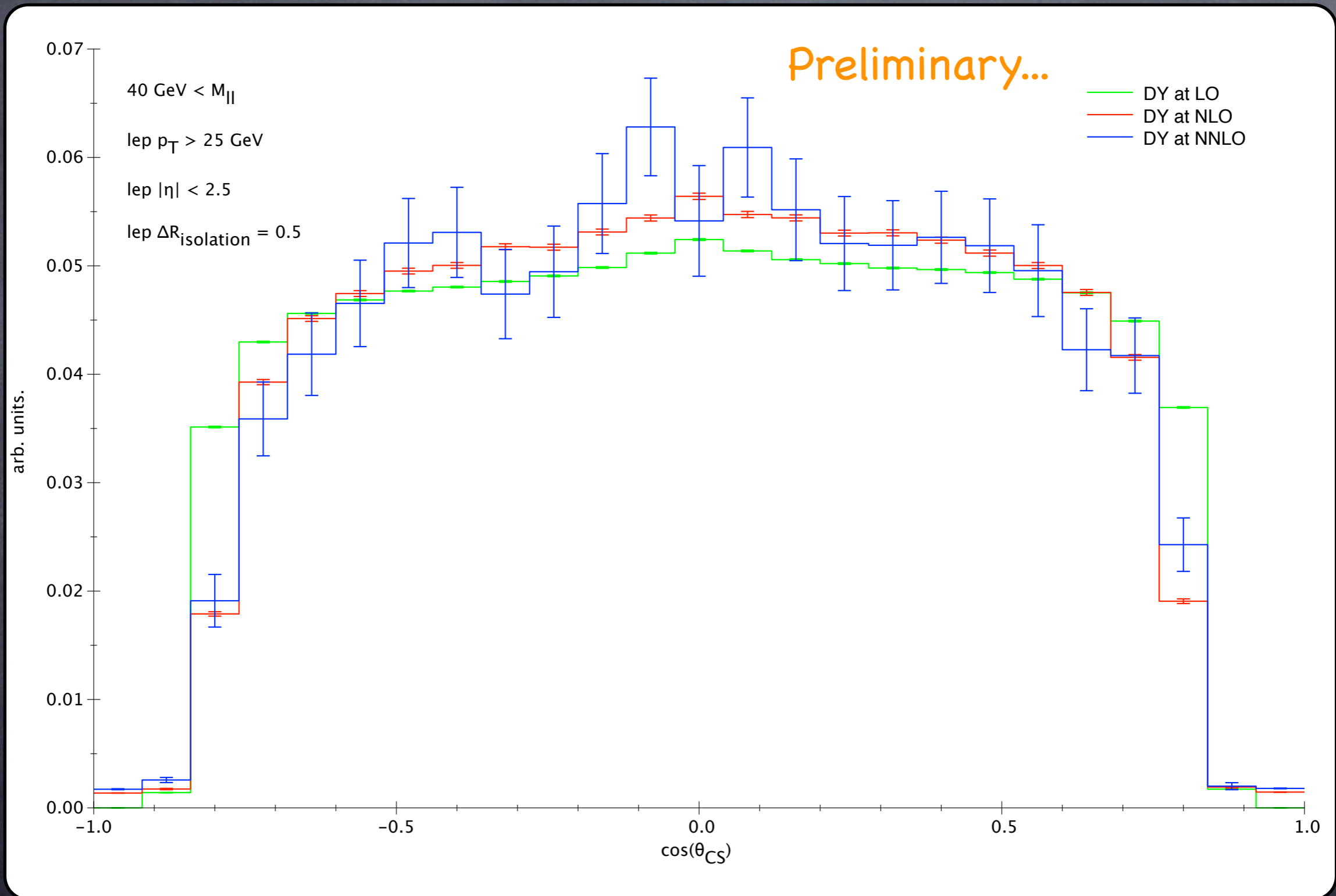
- Histograms in FEWZz are predefined
  - lepton pair invariant mass
  - Z, lep & jet: pT & rapidity
  - $\Delta R$  separation: lep/lep, lep/jet, & jet/jet
  - Collins-Soper related moments ( $A_i$ ) and angles
- Parameters (for individual histograms) set in histogram input file:
  - lower edge of histogram
  - higher edge
  - # of bins
  - T/F to write histogram to output file

# FEWZZ at Work

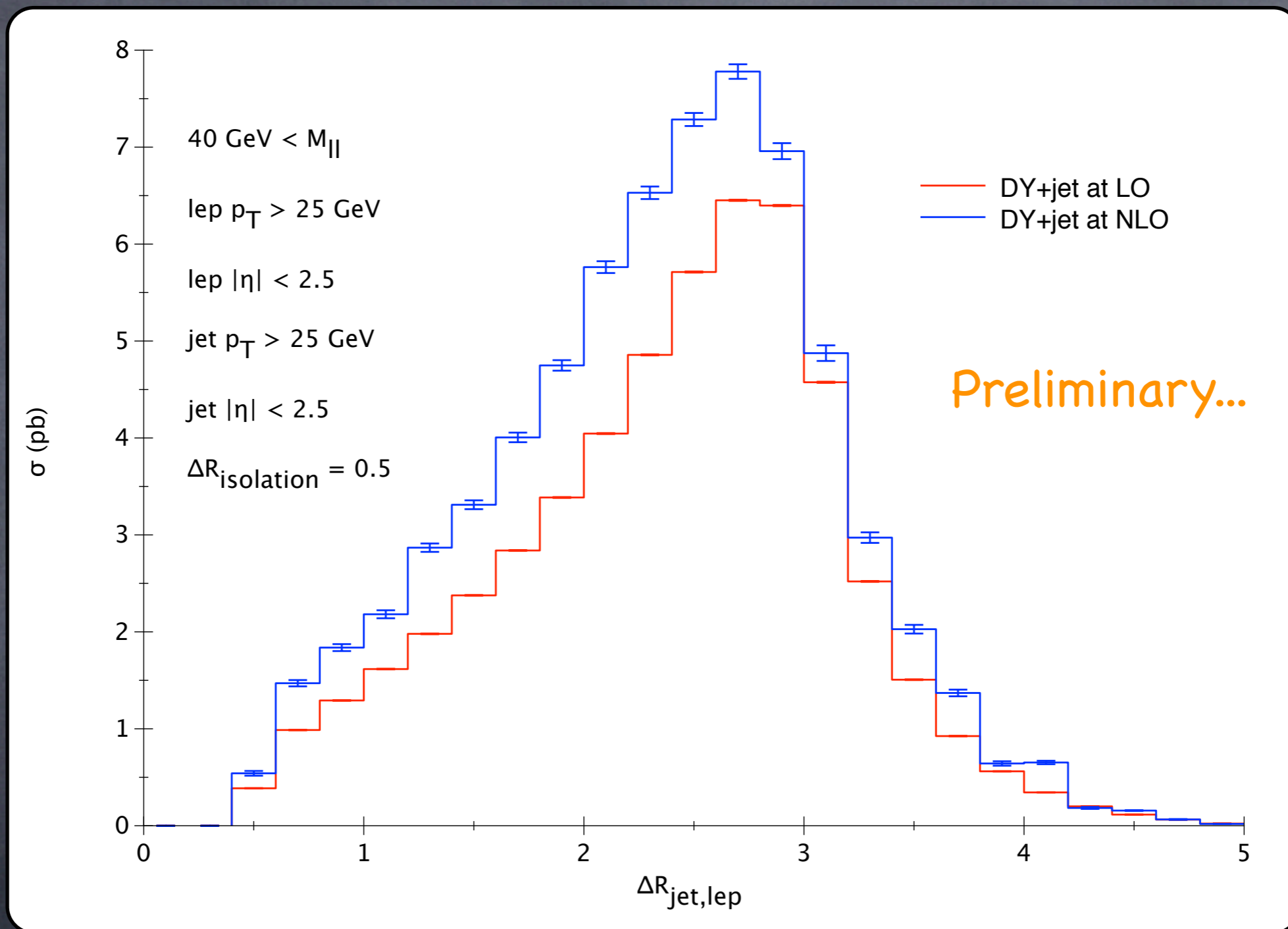
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# Conclusions

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- Drell-Yan is still a very important process at the LHC
  - need higher order calculations
    - NNLO QCD corrections to DY
  - need differential distributions at NNLO
- FEWZ is an excellent tool to study higher order effects, through NNLO QCD, on DY at the differential level
- Updated version of FEWZz to be released soon, with many improvements to usability & functionality
  - EW corrections to come in the near future
- Encourage you to download and try FEWZz, especially when new version released (<http://www.hep.wisc.edu/~frankjp/FEWZ.html>)