

Results from BLACKHAT

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Precision Calculations

- Test our understanding of the Standard Model in detail
 - that experimenters understand their detectors
 - and that theorists understand the theory
- Uncertainties in Standard Model measurements
 - precision measurements of M_W
- Backgrounds to Frontier Physics
 - precision measurements of Higgs branchings and couplings
- Backgrounds to New Physics
 - SUSY searches
 - candidate resonances

BLACKHAT



Bern, Dixon, Febres Cordero, Hoeche, Ita, Maitre, DAK, Lo Presti, Maitre

- Library for one-loop processes in automated form
- Specialty: High multiplicity
- Uses on-shell methods
- Uses multiple precision where needed for numerical stability term-by-term and point-by-point in phase space
- One of several libraries in current use: GoSAM, OpenLoops, Njets, MadLoop...
- SHERPA for real-emission matrix elements, Catani– Seymour dipoles, phase-space management, phase-space integration, and extra terms

On-Shell Methods

- Use only information from physical states
- Use properties of amplitudes as calculational tools
 - Factorization → on-shell recursion (Britto, Cachazo, Feng, Witten,...)
 - Unitarity → unitarity method (Bern, Dixon, Dunbar, DAK,...)
 - Underlying field theory → gedanken integral reduction



Rational function of spinors

Known integral basis:



Formalism at one loop, integral form

$$Ampl = \sum_{j \in Basis} c_j Int_j + Rational$$

$$D=4 Unitarity$$

On-shell Recursion; D-dimensional unitarity via ∫ mass

- Suitable for direct numerical use
- Equivalent form at integrand level (Ossola-Papadopoulos-Pittau)

n-Tuples

- Matrix-element calculation is expensive
- Computation of observables is cheap
- Solution: recycle! Compute matrix elements once, save phasespace configurations with weights & coefficients needed to recompute for different μ_R , μ_F , PDFs; allows narrowing cuts
- Save these as ROOT *n*-tuple files
- Publicly available on the LHC Grid
 - Full support in SHERPA
 - C++ reader library available
 - RIVET support in beta
- Convenient for supplying predictions to experimenters
 - They can redo analyses without running or hacking code

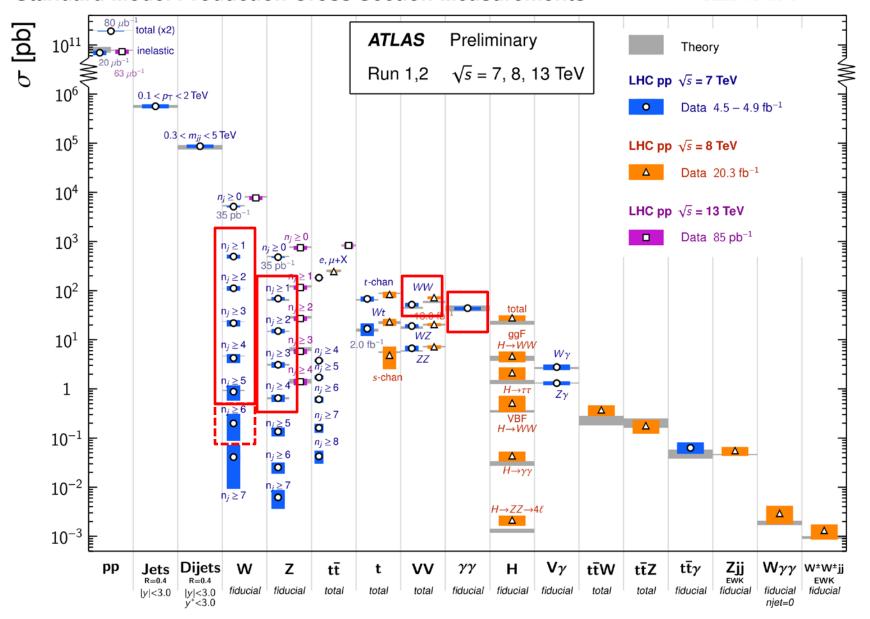
n-Tuples

- Available processes at 7 & 13 TeV
 - W+0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 jets
 - Z+0, 1, 2, 3, 4 jets
 - 2, 3, 4 jets
 - $-\gamma\gamma+1$, 2 jets
 - $-W^+W^-+0, 1, 2, 3 \text{ jets}$

[A subset also at 8 TeV: *V*+1,2,3 jets; *W*⁺*W*⁻+1, 2, 3 jets]

Standard Model Production Cross Section Measurements







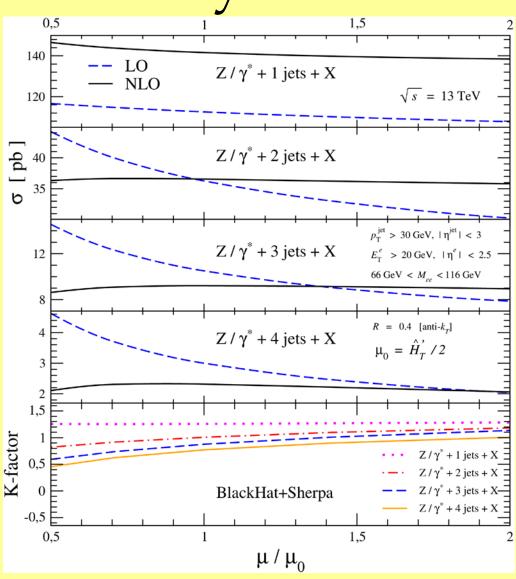


V+Jets

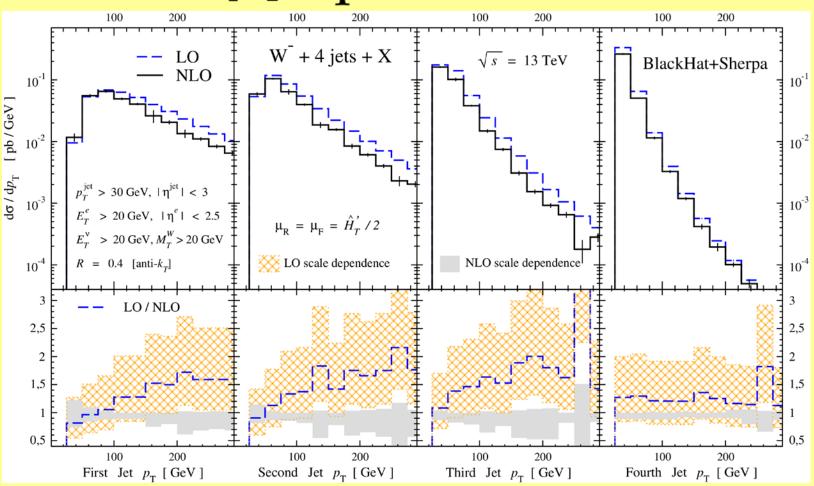
- Detailed study of known physics in complicated final states with many scales
- Edges of distributions host searches for new physics in cascade decays (SUSY)
- EW corrections and Sudakovs will be important in the future ⇒ Freitas's and Hollik's talks
- Indications of universality for 3 or more jets
- Studied extensively at 7 TeV, now updated to 13 TeV

Scale Sensitivity

- Reduced scale dependence at NLO as expected
- NLO importance grows with increasing number of jets
- Trend flattens out at ~3 jets thanks to use of a dynamical scale

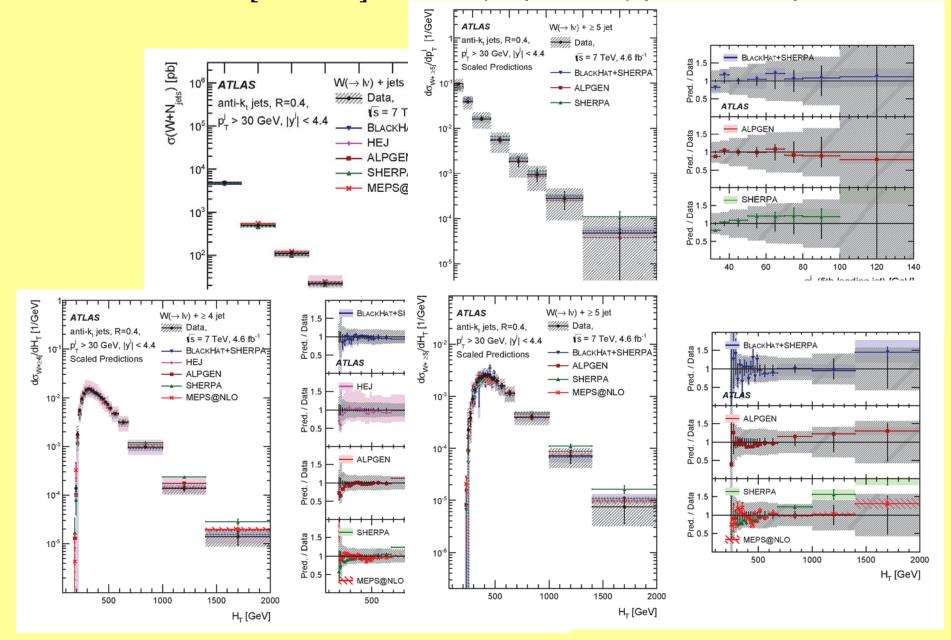


$p_{\rm T}$ Spectra



- Much narrower uncertainties at NLO
- Shape changes for leading jets

ATLAS 7 TeV [4.6 fb⁻¹] results (Sept 2014) [1409.8639]

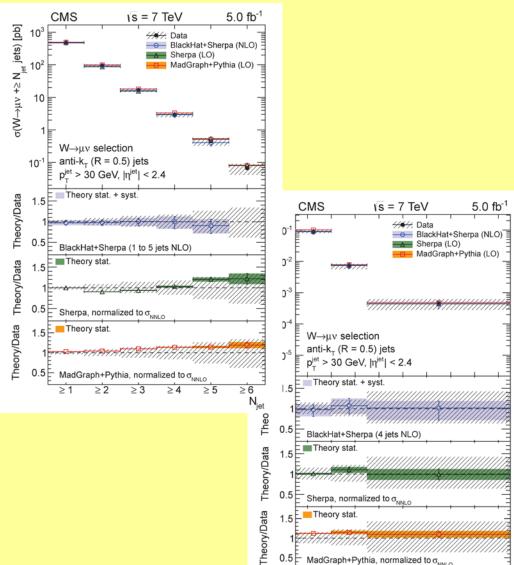


Comparisons with CMS

[1406.7533] Study of W^{\pm} production in association with multiple jets

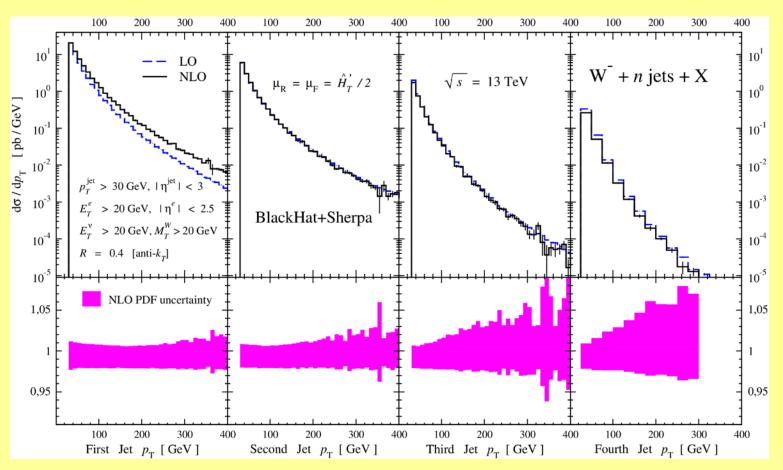
NLO QCD results from BLACKHAT *n*-tuples (with added nonperturbative corrections)

Similar studies for Z+jets

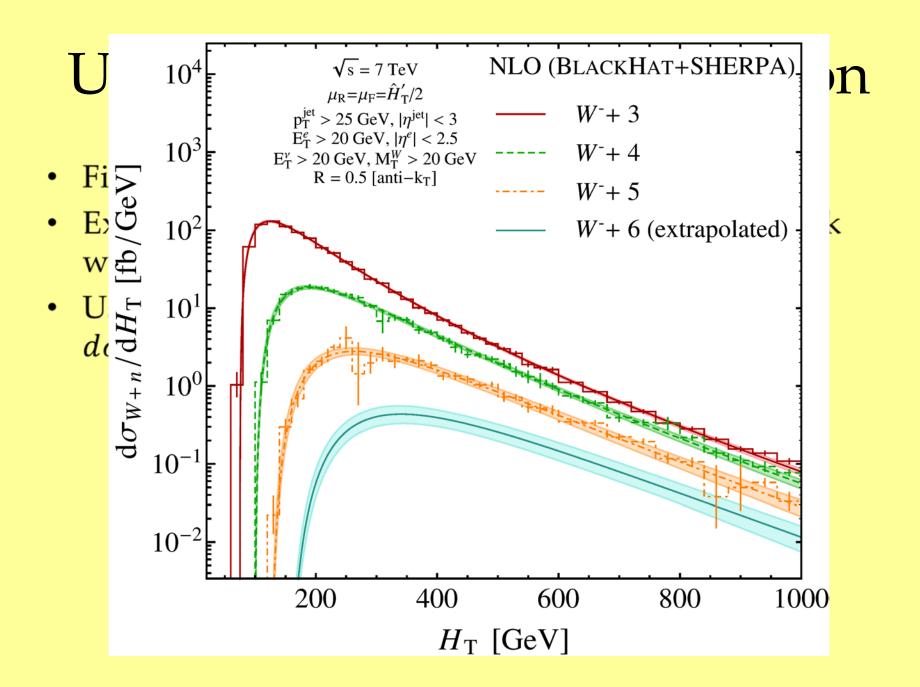


100 120 140 160 180 200 Fourth leading jet p₊ [GeV]

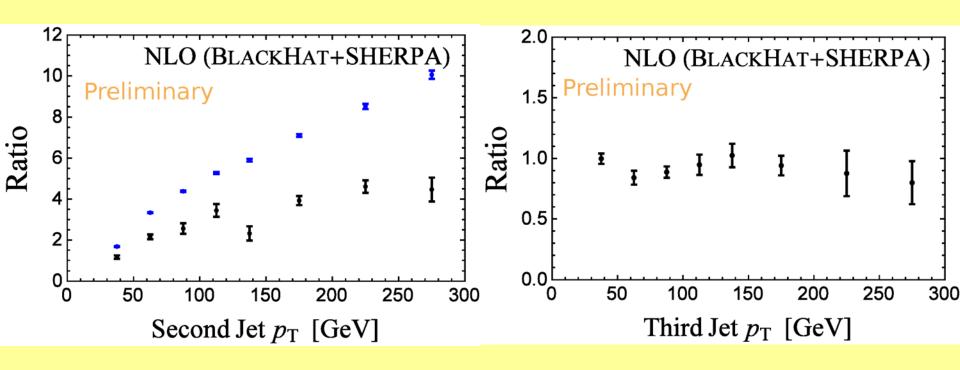
PDF Uncertainties



- Softest jet in W⁻+jets
- *n*-Tuples make this straightforward
- Uncertainties small but growing with p_T



Ratios of 13 TeV to 7 TeV



- Third-jet distribution in W⁻+3 jet production (p_T cut at 25 and 30 respectively)
- Third-jet distribution in double ratio of (W⁻+4)/(W⁻+3) production

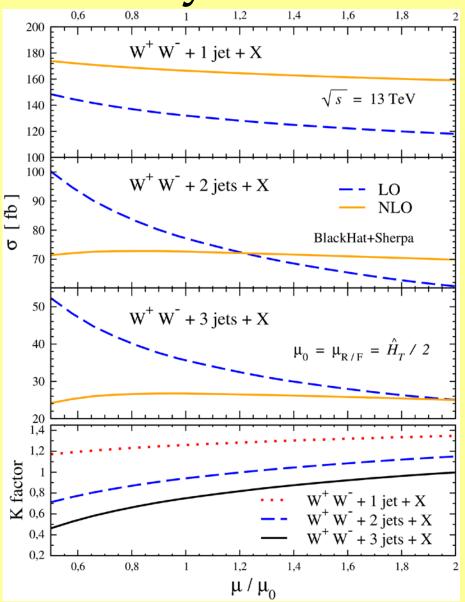
VV+Jets

Febres Cordero, Hoffman, & Ita [1512.07591]

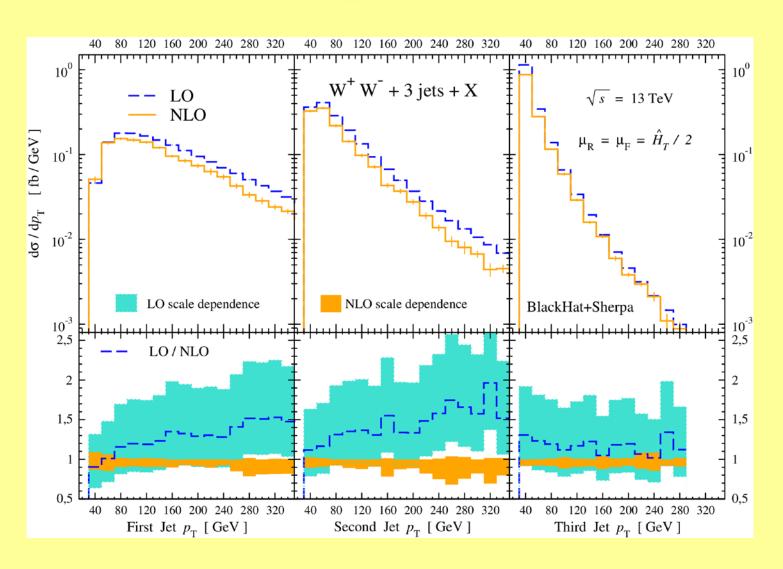
- Background to $t\bar{t}$ production
- Background to Higgs decay to W+W-
- Background to Higgs in vector-boson fusion (VBF)
- W+W-+3 jets relevant to radiation gap in VBF

Scale Sensitivity

- Similar pattern to *V*+jets
- Not yet clear at what multiplicity trend flattens out

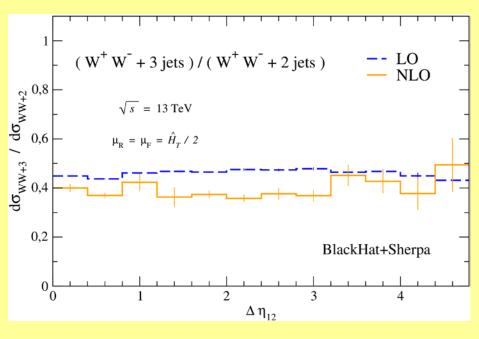


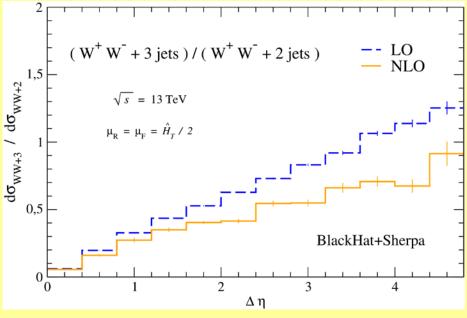
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Vector-Boson Fusion

Study radiation into the gap (without mass cut)





Diphoton(+Jet)

with Ye Li (FNAL)

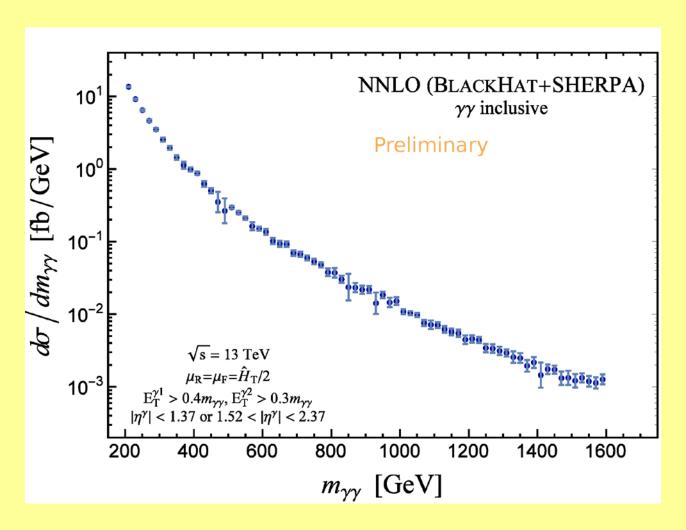
- Background to everyone's favorite candidate resonance at 750 GeV
- A first exploration of NNLO
 - Hybrid infrared-control scheme
 - Inclusive diphotons discussed earlier by Campbell

NNLO Ingredients

⇒ Giele's and Petriello's talks

- Two-loop 2 partons→γγ
- One-loop 2 partons $\rightarrow \gamma \gamma + 1$ parton
- Tree-level 2 partons $\rightarrow \gamma \gamma + 2$ partons
- Include gg initial state through two loops (its NLO)
- Tree-level: from SHERPA
- One-loop: from BlackHat
- Combined using Catani–Seymour subtraction, outside a $q_{\rm T}$ slicing region
- Two-loop, implemented directly along with small- q_T contribution
- Relative q_T cut

Invariant-Mass Distribution at NNLO



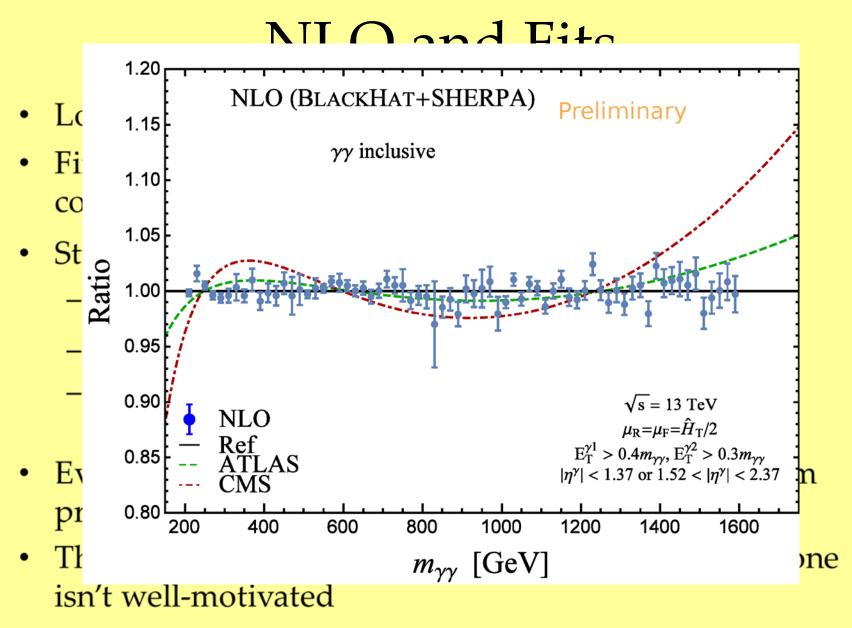
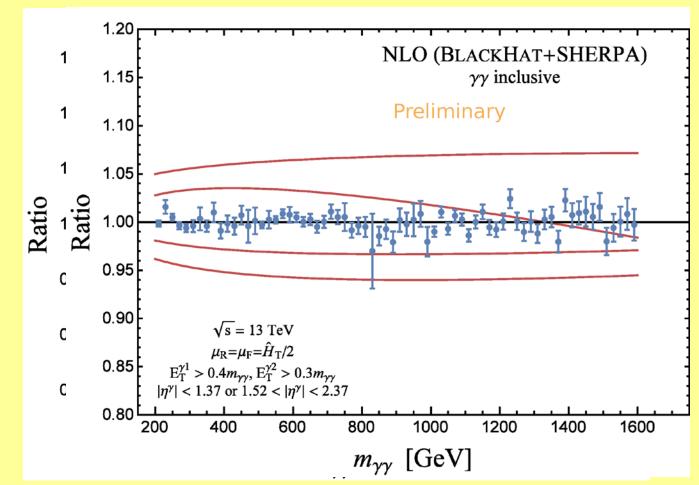


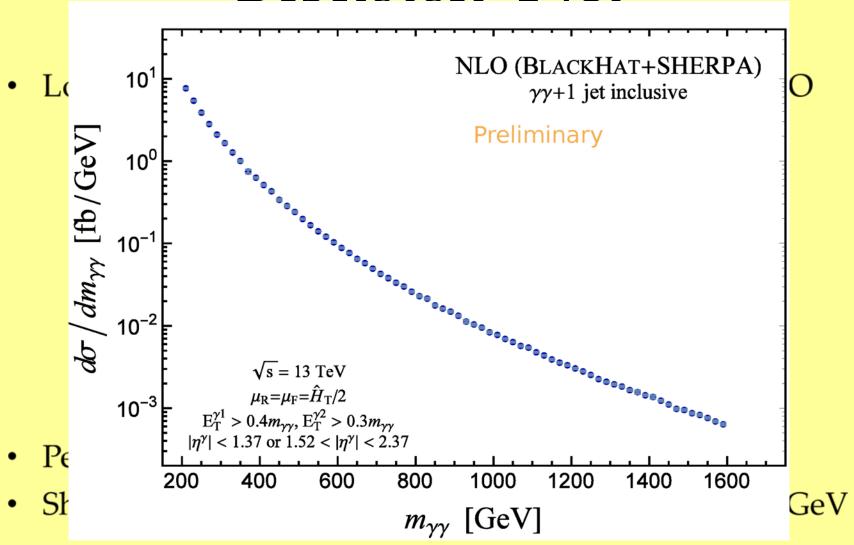
Illustration of "uniform" treatment of data & theory

Assess PDF & Scale Uncertainties

 Straightforward & not computationally intensive, thanks to *n*-tuples



Diphoton+1 Iet



Summary

- NLO studies with multiple jets are becoming standard
- Good control of uncertainties in processes with many scales
- With slicing techniques, a smooth initial path to NNLO