

# Status of NLO Monte Carlo for $\mu e$ scattering

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# $\mu e$ scattering kinematics for leading order ( $2 \rightarrow 2$ , elastic process)

$p_1, p_2$  initial state  $\mu$  and  $e$

$p_3, p_4$  final state  $\mu$  and  $e$

In the lab

In the center of mass

$$p_1 = (E_\mu^{beam}, 0, 0, p)$$

$$p_2 = (m_e, 0, 0, 0)$$

$$p_3 = p_1 + p_2 - p_4$$

$$p_4 = (E_e, p_e \sin \theta_e, 0, p_e \cos \theta_e)$$

$$p_1 = (E_{CM}^\mu, 0, 0, p_{CM})$$

$$p_2 = (E_{CM}^e, 0, 0, -p_{CM})$$

$$p_3 = (E_{CM}^\mu, p_{CM} \sin \theta, 0, p_{CM} \cos \theta)$$

$$p_4 = (E_{CM}^e, -p_{CM} \sin \theta, 0, -p_{CM} \cos \theta)$$

Invariants:

$$\begin{aligned} s &= (p_1 + p_2)^2 = (p_3 + p_4)^2 \\ &= m_e^2 + m_\mu^2 + 2E_{CM}^\mu E_{CM}^e + 2p_{CM}^2 \\ &= m_e^2 + m_\mu^2 + 2E_\mu^{beam} m_e \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} t &= (p_1 - p_3)^2 = (p_2 - p_4)^2 \\ &= -2p_{CM}^2(1 - \cos \theta) \\ &= 2m_e^2 - 2E_e m_e \end{aligned}$$

$$p_{CM} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\lambda(s, m_\mu^2, m_e^2)}{s}}$$

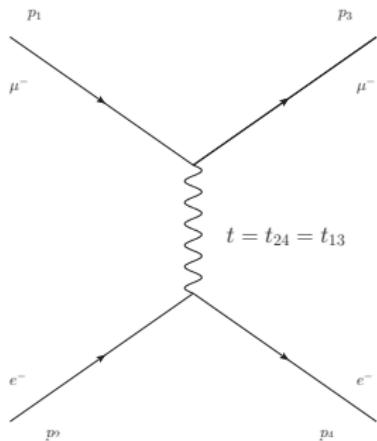
$$t = m_\mu^2 \frac{x^2}{x - 1} \propto E_e$$

$$E_e = m_e \frac{1 + r^2 \cos^2 \theta_e}{1 - r^2 \cos^2 \theta_e}$$

$$r \equiv \frac{\sqrt{\left(E_\mu^{beam}\right)^2 - m_\mu^2}}{E_\mu^{beam} + m_e}$$

# LO cross section

- analytical expression



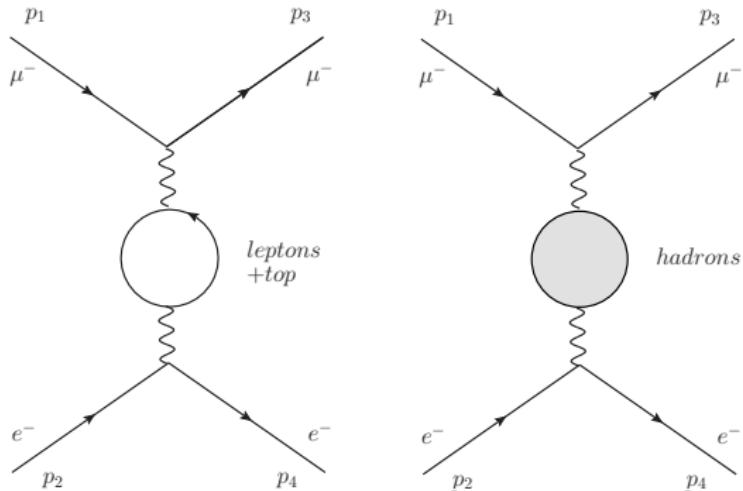
$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{\lambda(s, m_\mu^2, m_e^2)} \left[ \frac{(s - m_\mu^2 - m_e^2)^2}{t^2} + \frac{s}{t} + \frac{1}{2} \right]$$

- VP gauge invariant subset of NLO rad. corr.
- factorized over tree-level:  $\alpha \rightarrow \alpha(t)$

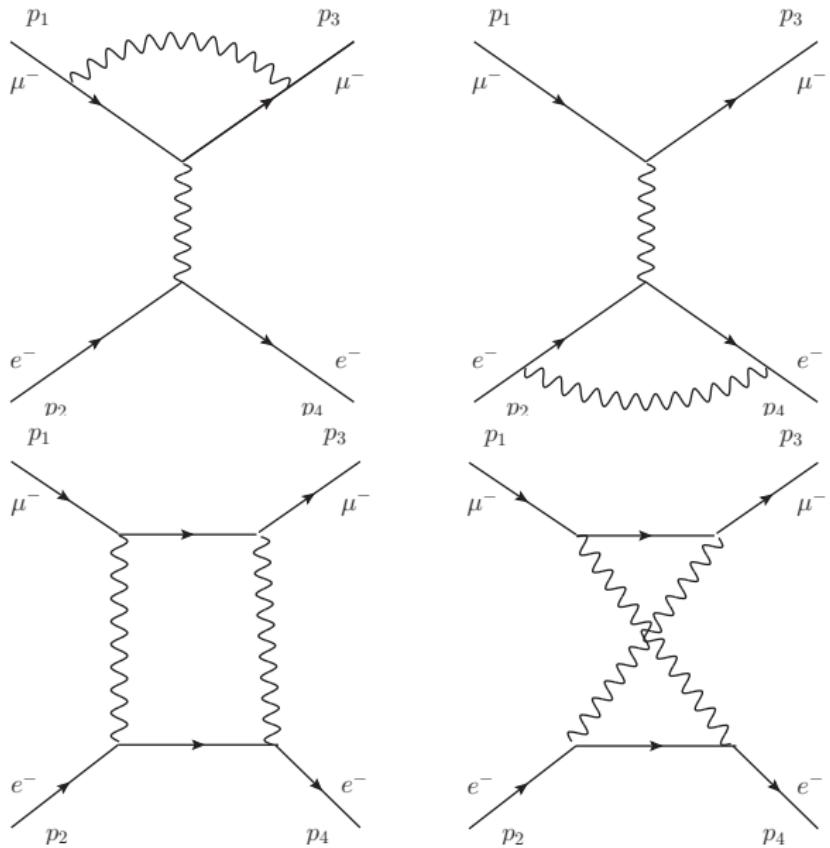
- first step towards higher precision and to estimate of th. uncertainties:

**NLO Monte Carlo fully differential predictions**

# NLO amplitudes: vacuum polarization

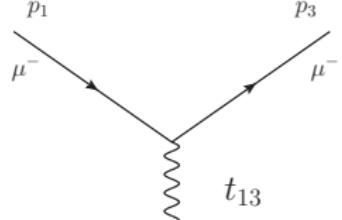
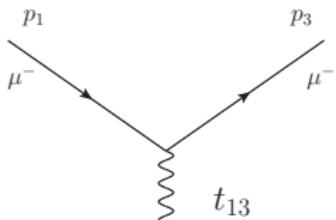
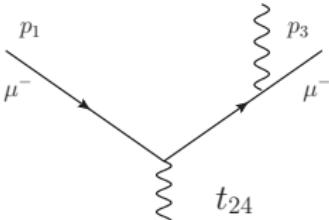
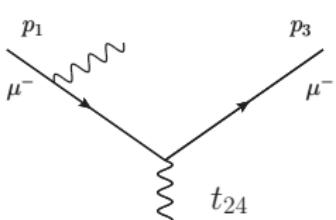


# NLO QED virtual diagrams $\mathcal{A}_{NLO}^{virtual}$ (dependent on $\lambda$ )



+ counterterms

# NLO real diagrams $\mathcal{A}_{NLO}^{1\gamma}$



## Next-to-leading order calculation

$$\sigma_{NLO} = \sigma_{2 \rightarrow 2} + \sigma_{2 \rightarrow 3} = \sigma_{\mu e \rightarrow \mu e} + \sigma_{\mu e \rightarrow \mu e \gamma}$$

- IR singularities are regularized with a vanishingly small photon mass  $\lambda$
- $[2 \rightarrow 2]/[2 \rightarrow 3]$  phase space splitting at an arbitrarily small  $\gamma$ -energy cutoff  $\omega_s$ 
  - $\mu e \rightarrow \mu e$
  - $\mu e \rightarrow \mu e \gamma$

$$\sigma_{2 \rightarrow 2} = \sigma_{LO} + \sigma_{NLO}^{virtual} = \frac{1}{F} \int d\Phi_2 (|\mathcal{A}_{LO}|^2 + 2\Re[\mathcal{A}_{LO}^* \times \mathcal{A}_{NLO}^{virtual}(\lambda)])$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{2 \rightarrow 3} &= \frac{1}{F} \int_{\omega > \lambda} d\Phi_3 |\mathcal{A}_{NLO}^{1\gamma}|^2 = \frac{1}{F} \left( \int_{\lambda < \omega < \omega_s} d\Phi_3 |\mathcal{A}_{NLO}^{1\gamma}|^2 + \int_{\omega > \omega_s} d\Phi_3 |\mathcal{A}_{NLO}^{1\gamma}|^2 \right) \\ &= \Delta_s(\lambda, \omega_s) \int d\sigma_{LO} + \frac{1}{F} \int_{\omega > \omega_s} d\Phi_3 |\mathcal{A}_{NLO}^{1\gamma}|^2\end{aligned}$$

- the integration over the 2/3-particles phase space is done with MC techniques and fully-exclusive events are generated

## Method and cross-checks

- Calculation performed in the on-shell renormalization scheme
- Full mass dependency kept everywhere, fermions' helicities kept explicit
- Diagrams manipulated with the help of **FORM**, independently by at least two of us  
**[perfect agreement]**

J. Vermaseren, <https://www.nikhef.nl/~form>

- 1-loop tensor coefficients and scalar 2-3-4 points functions evaluated with  
**LoopTools** and **Collier** libraries  
**[perfect agreement]**

T. Hahn, <http://www.feynarts.de/looptools>

A. Denner, S. Dittmaier, L. Hofer, <https://collier.hepforge.org>

- UV finiteness and  $\lambda$  independence verified with **high numerical accuracy**
- 3 body phase-space cross-checked with 3 independent implementations  
**[perfect agreement]**
- Comparison with past (and present) independent results

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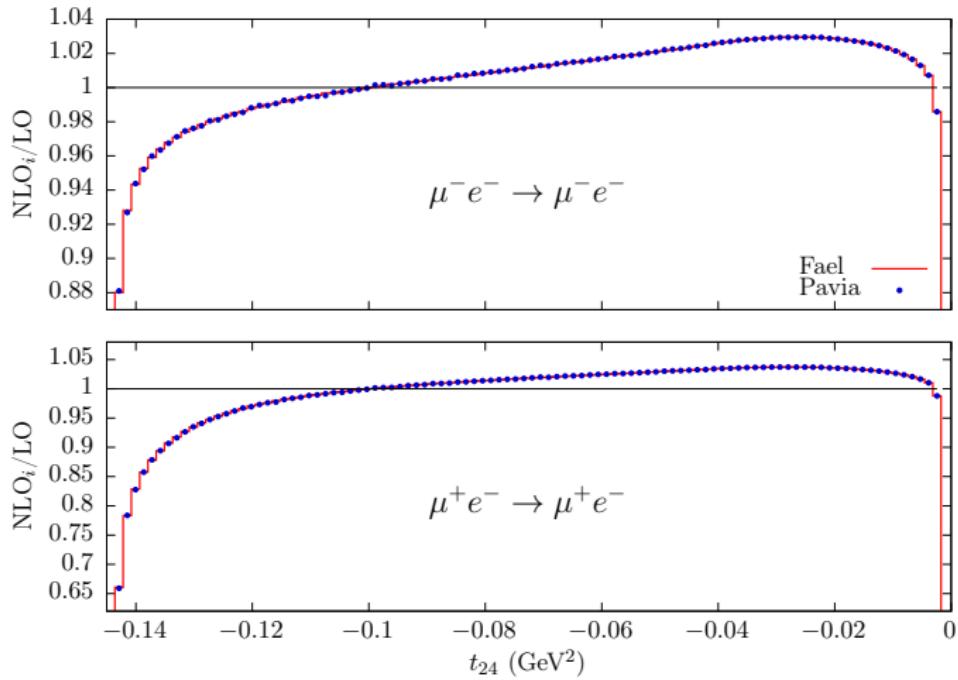
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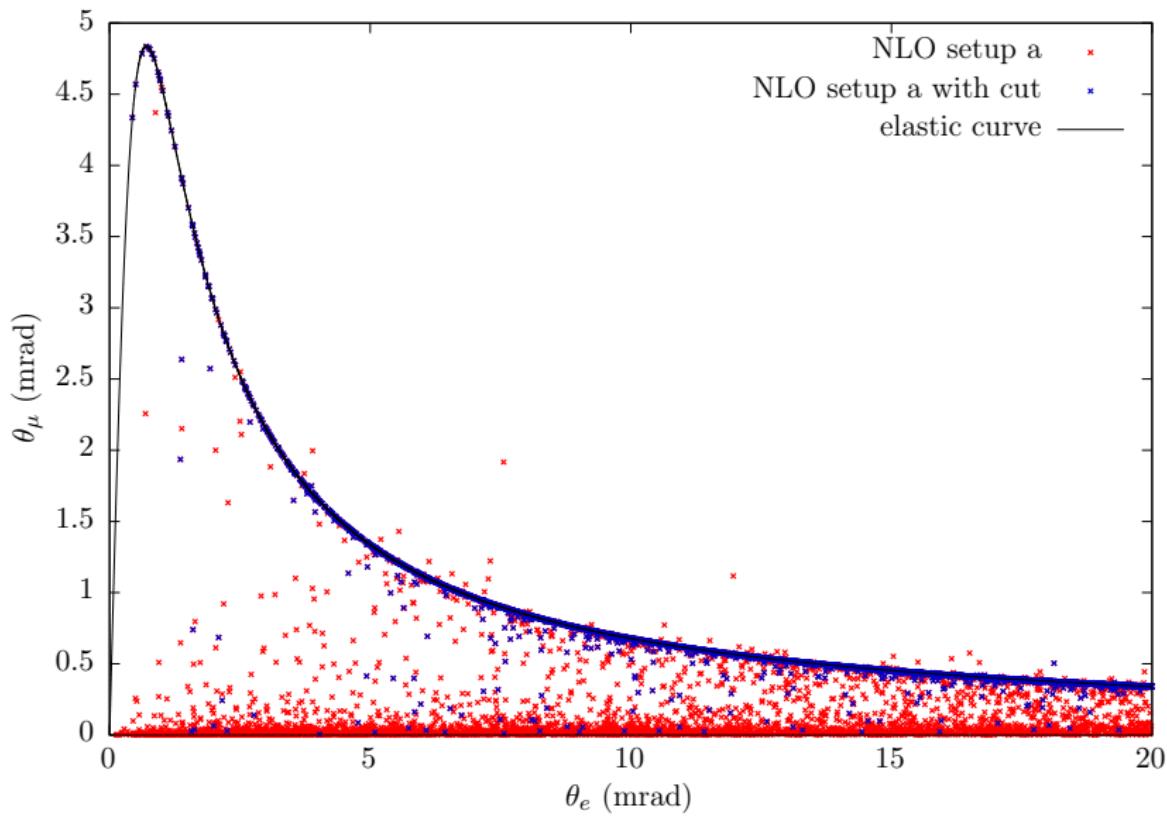
# Comparison with Fael-Passera calculation



# preliminary results

- in 4 typical event selections
  - 1  $0 \text{ mrad} \leq \vartheta_{\mu,e} \leq 100 \text{ mrad}, E_e \geq 200 \text{ MeV}$
  - 2  $0 \text{ mrad} \leq \vartheta_{\mu,e} \leq 100 \text{ mrad}, E_e \geq 1 \text{ GeV}$
  - 3 as 1+ acoplanarity cut  $|\pi - (\phi_e - \phi_\mu)| \leq 3.5 \text{ mrad}$
  - 4 as 2+ acoplanarity cut  $|\pi - (\phi_e - \phi_\mu)| \leq 3.5 \text{ mrad}$
- size of three separate contributions at NLO:
  - 1 QED radiation (virtual and real) from  $\mu$  line
  - 2 QED radiation (virtual and real) from electron line
  - 3 QED interference between  $\mu$  and  $e$  line
- size of genuine electroweak effects
  - $Z$  exchange diagram in addition to the  $\gamma$  exchange
  - $Z$  and  $W$  in the virtual loops (including QED real rad. from tree-level with  $Z$  exchange)
- size of finite electron mass effects in the NLO corrections (in progress)

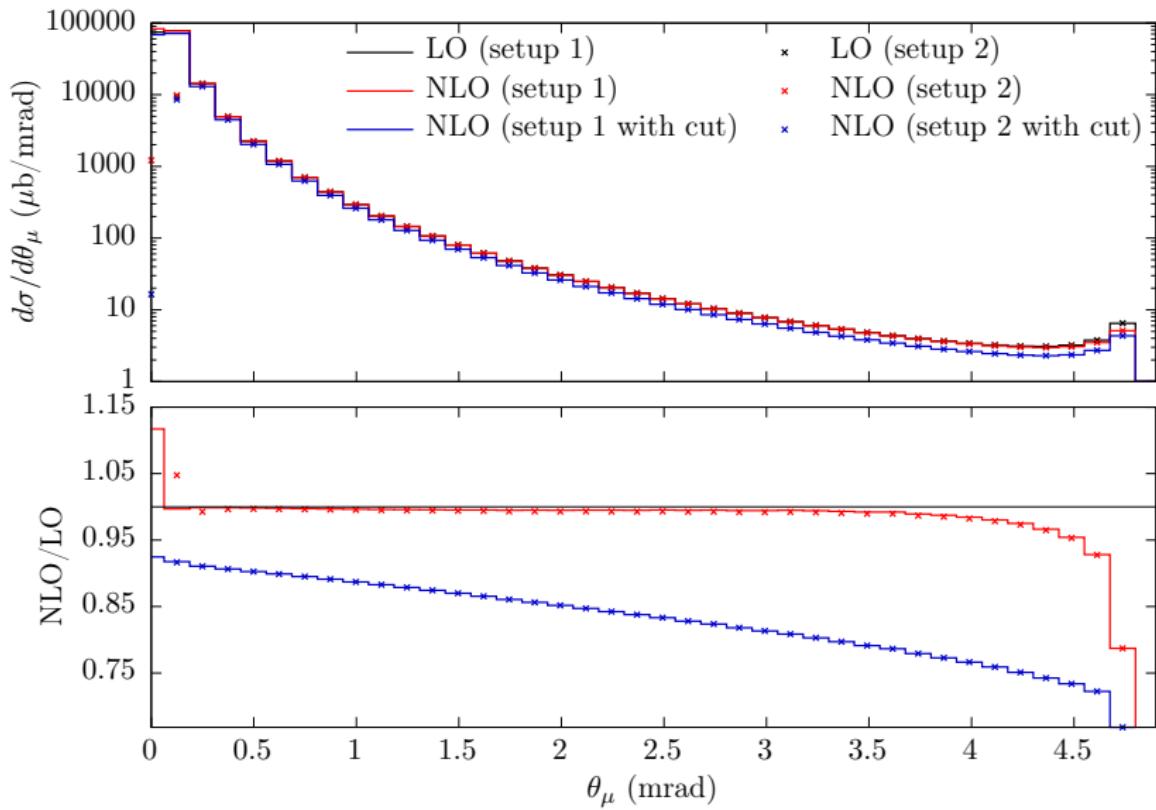
# $\mu$ - $e$ angle correlation in the lab



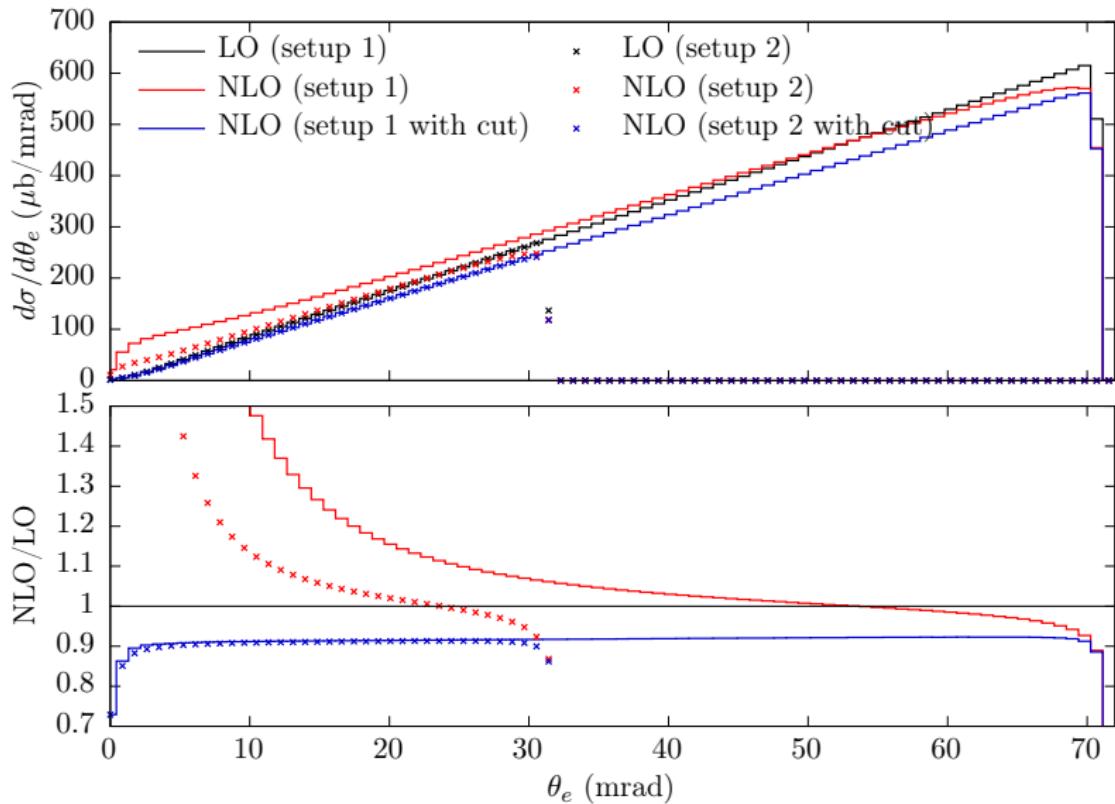
# Integrated cross sections ( $\mu$ barn)

Cross section	Setup 1	Setup 2	Setup 3	Setup 4
$\mu^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+e^-$				
$\sigma_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{QED}}$	1325.216(15)	255.8439(27)	1162.445(10)	222.7727(20)
$\sigma_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{electron}}$	1324.443(27)	255.5486(22)	1163.120(34)	223.4353(27)
$\sigma_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{muon}}$	1264.96276(75)	244.97022(68)	1264.0745(75)	244.41301(68)
$\sigma_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{electron-muon}}$	0.871(43)	0.3640(57)	0.312(90)	-0.0367(54)
$\mu^-e^- \rightarrow \mu^-e^-$				
$\sigma_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{QED}}$	1323.485(18)	255.1194(26)	1161.879(10)	222.8511(18)
$\sigma_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{electron}}$	1324.438(24)	255.5487(26)	1163.143(25)	223.4351(27)
$\sigma_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{muon}}$	1264.9630(76)	244.97058(46)	1264.0747(75)	244.41333(45)
$\sigma_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{electron-muon}}$	-0.855(50)	-0.3610(56)	-0.254(66)	+0.0415(50)
Relative correction	Setup 1	Setup 2	Setup 3	Setup 4
$\mu^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+e^-$				
$\delta_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{QED}}$	0.04755(1)	0.04409(1)	-0.081114(37)	-0.0908681(81)
$\delta_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{electron}}$	0.04694(2)	0.04289(1)	-0.080582(27)	-0.088164(11)
$\delta_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{muon}}$	-0.000075(6)	-0.000280(3)	-0.0007794(59)	-0.0025543(28)
$\delta_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{electron-muon}}$	0.000686(40)	0.001485(23)	0.000247(69)	-0.000150(22)
$\mu^-e^- \rightarrow \mu^-e^-$				
$\delta_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{QED}}$	0.04618(1)	0.04114(1)	-0.081543(27)	-0.0905482(75)
$\delta_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{electron}}$	0.04694(2)	0.04289(1)	-0.080563(20)	-0.088165(11)
$\delta_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{muon}}$	-0.000077(6)	-0.000279(2)	-0.0007793(60)	-0.0025529(18)
$\delta_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{electron-muon}}$	-0.000676(40)	-0.001473(23)	-0.000200(52)	0.000169(20)

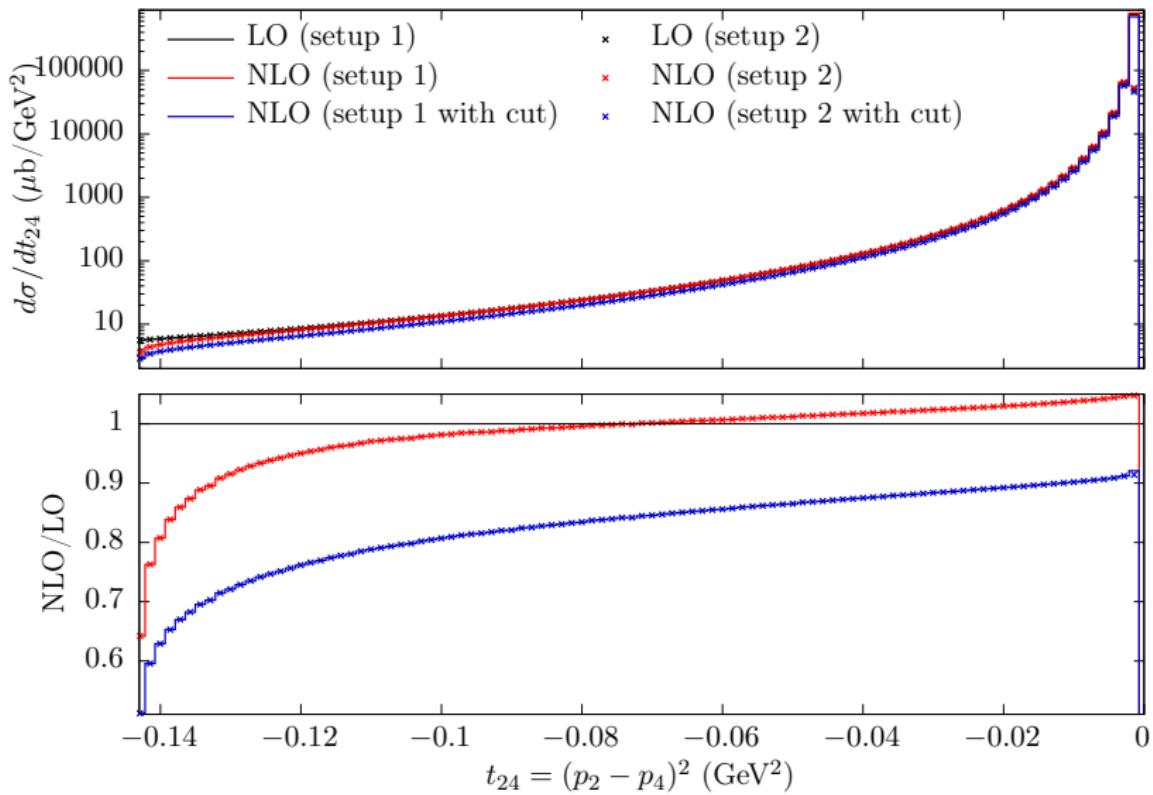
# $\theta_\mu$ distribution and corrections in the lab



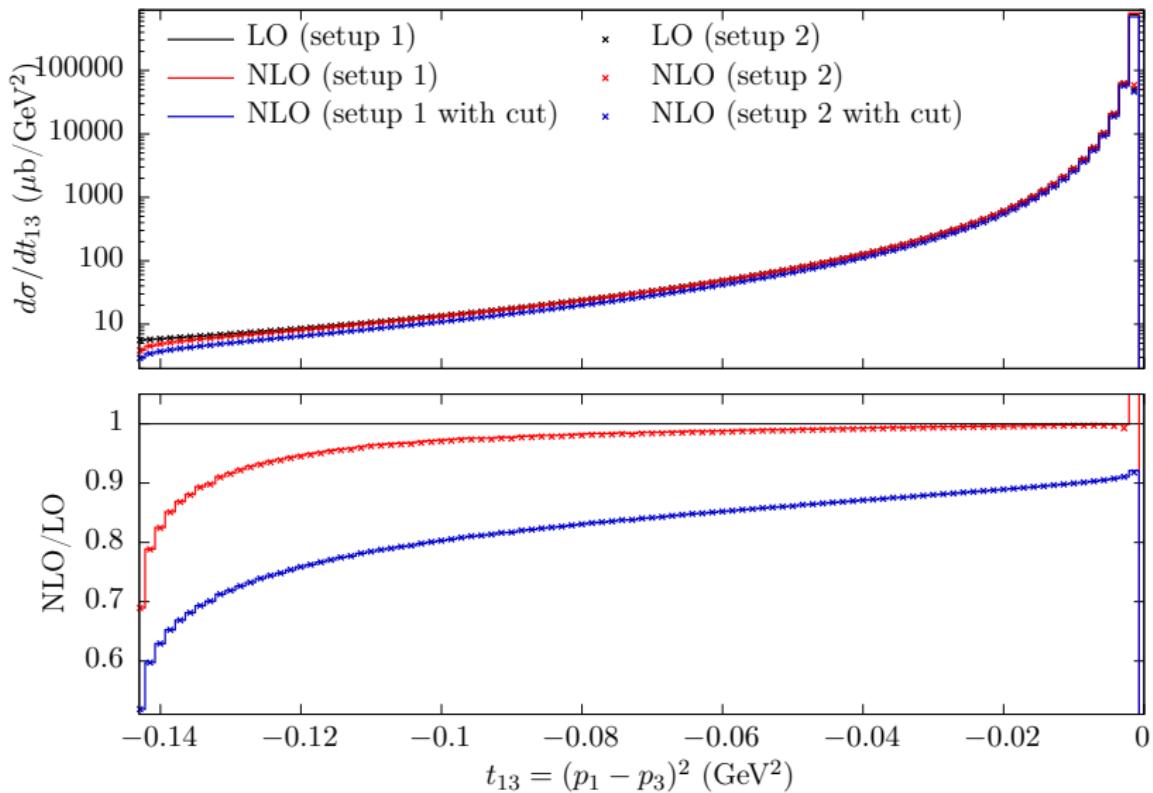
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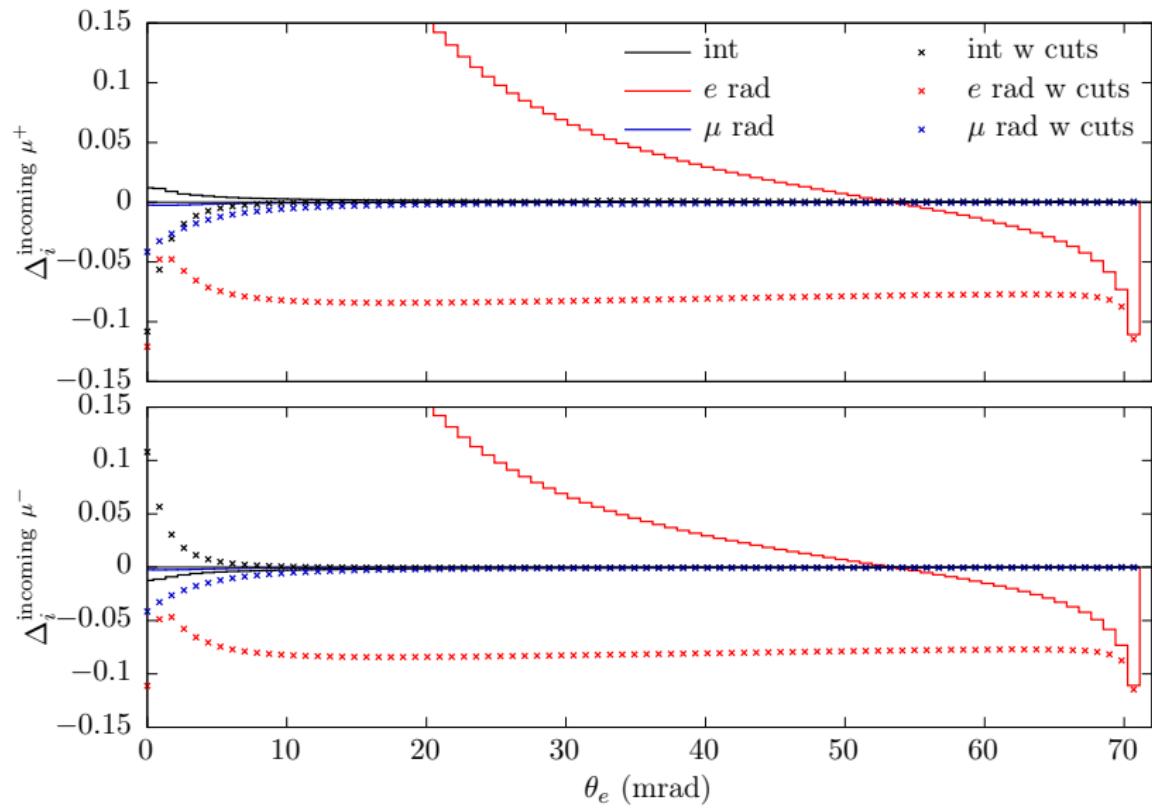
## $t_{24}$ ( $t$ on the “electron line”) distribution and corrections



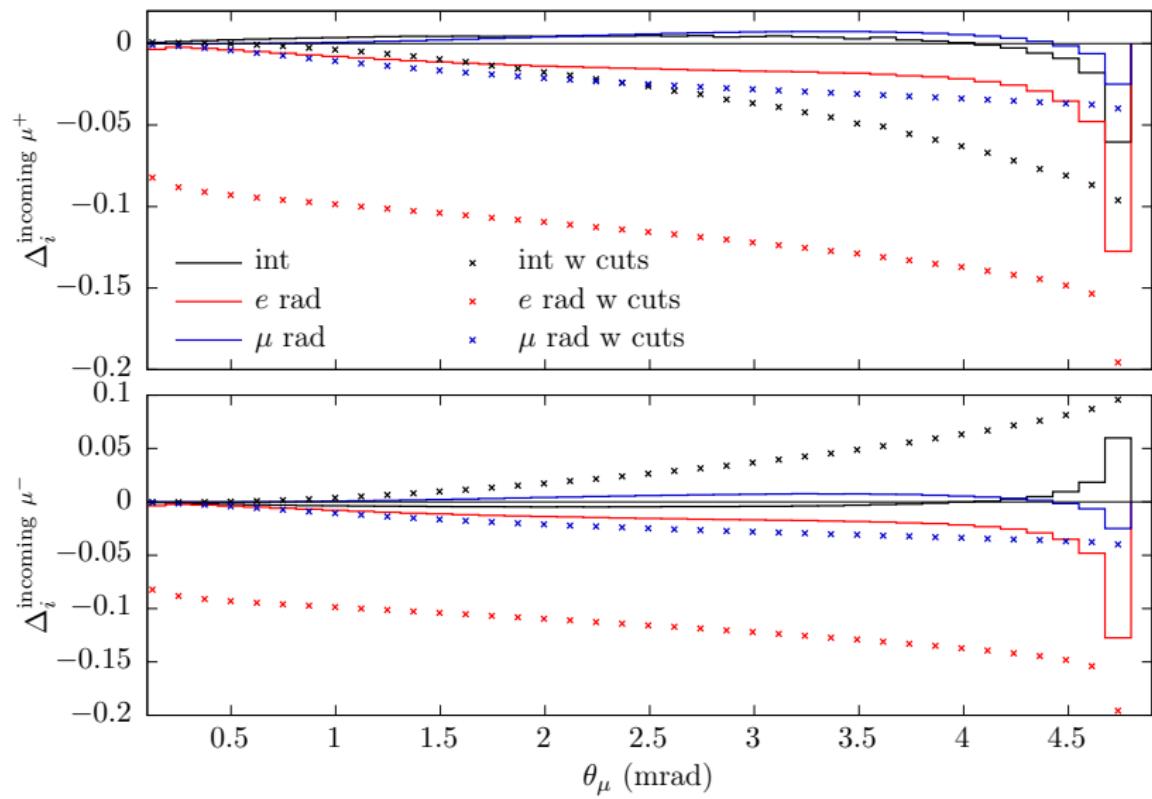
# $t_{13}$ ( $t$ on the “ $\mu$ line”) distribution and corrections



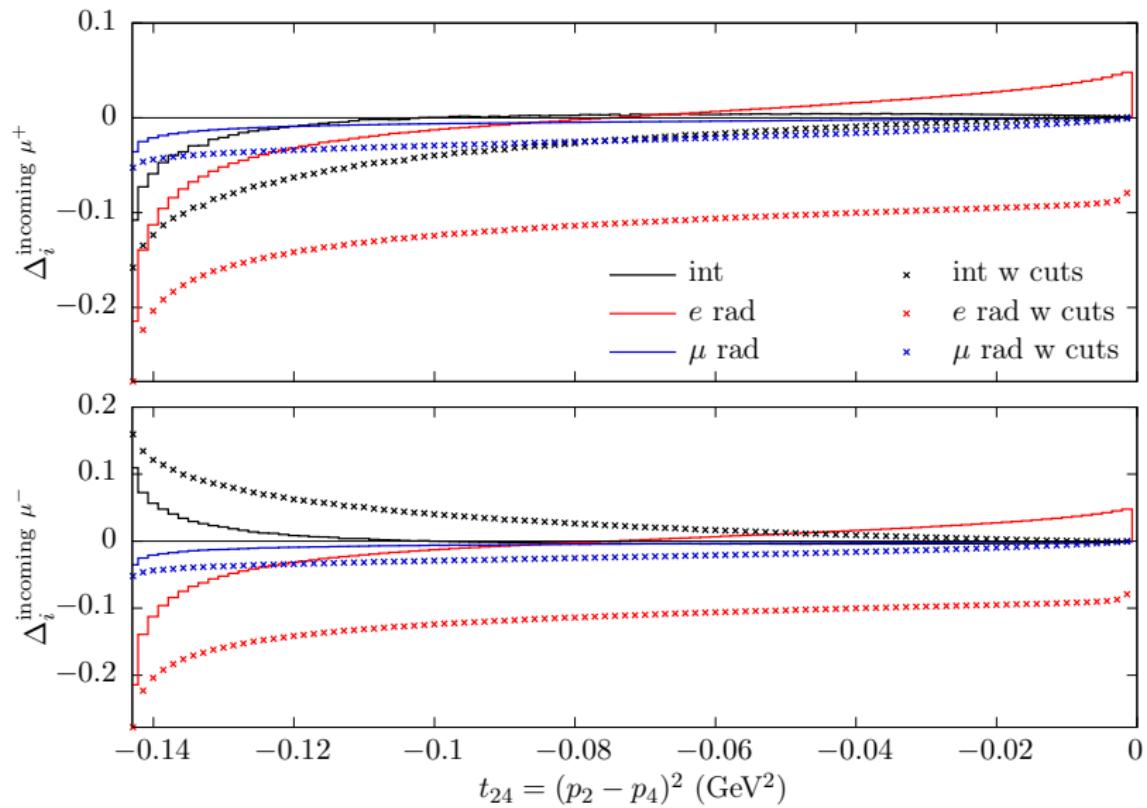
# in terms of gauge invariant radiation contributions



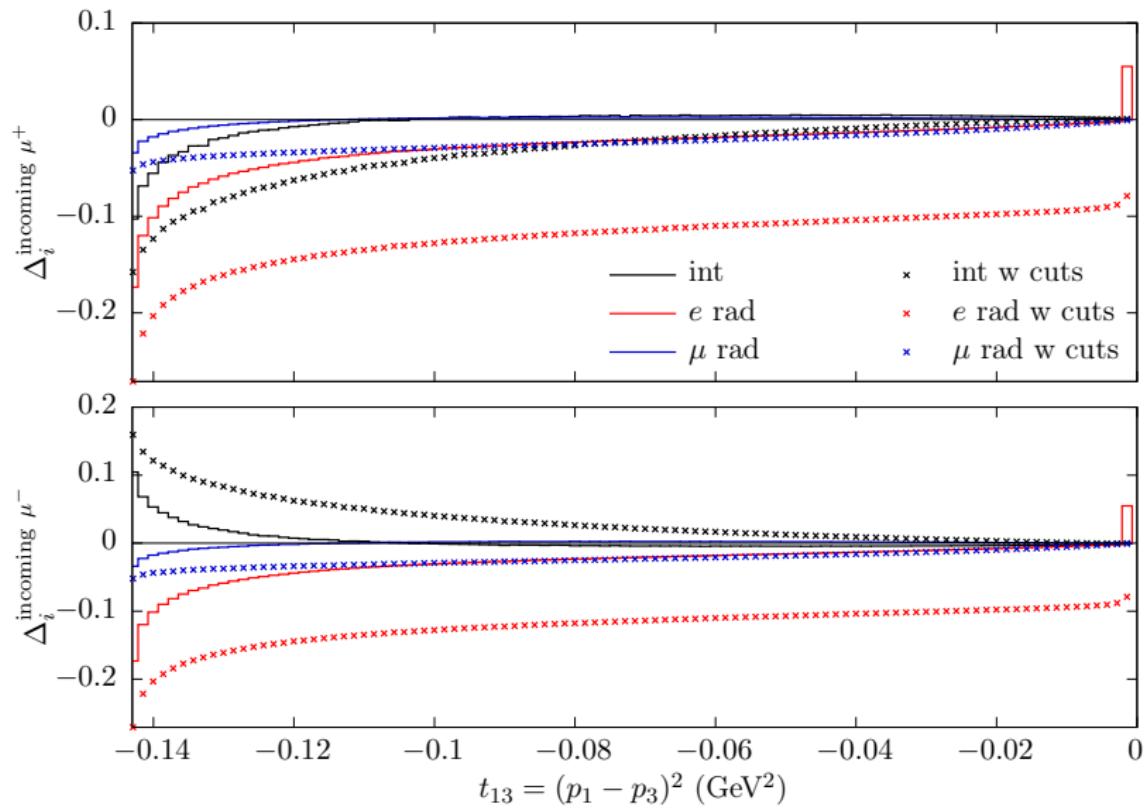
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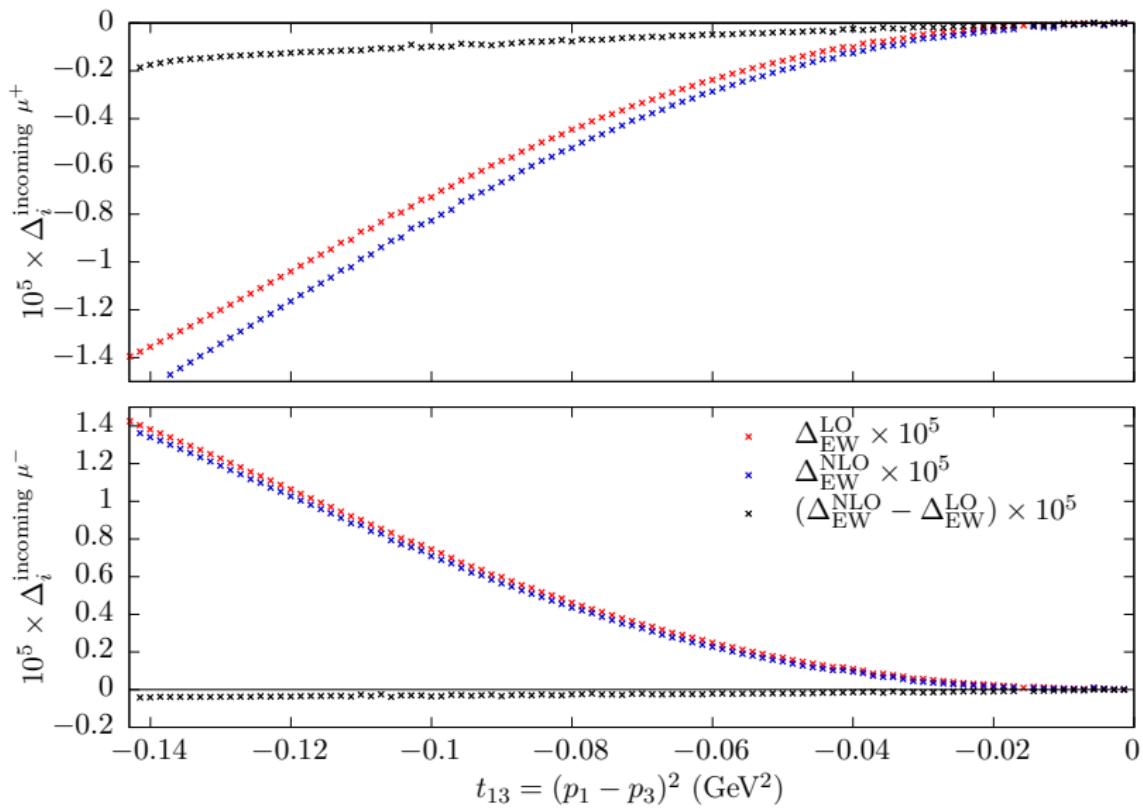
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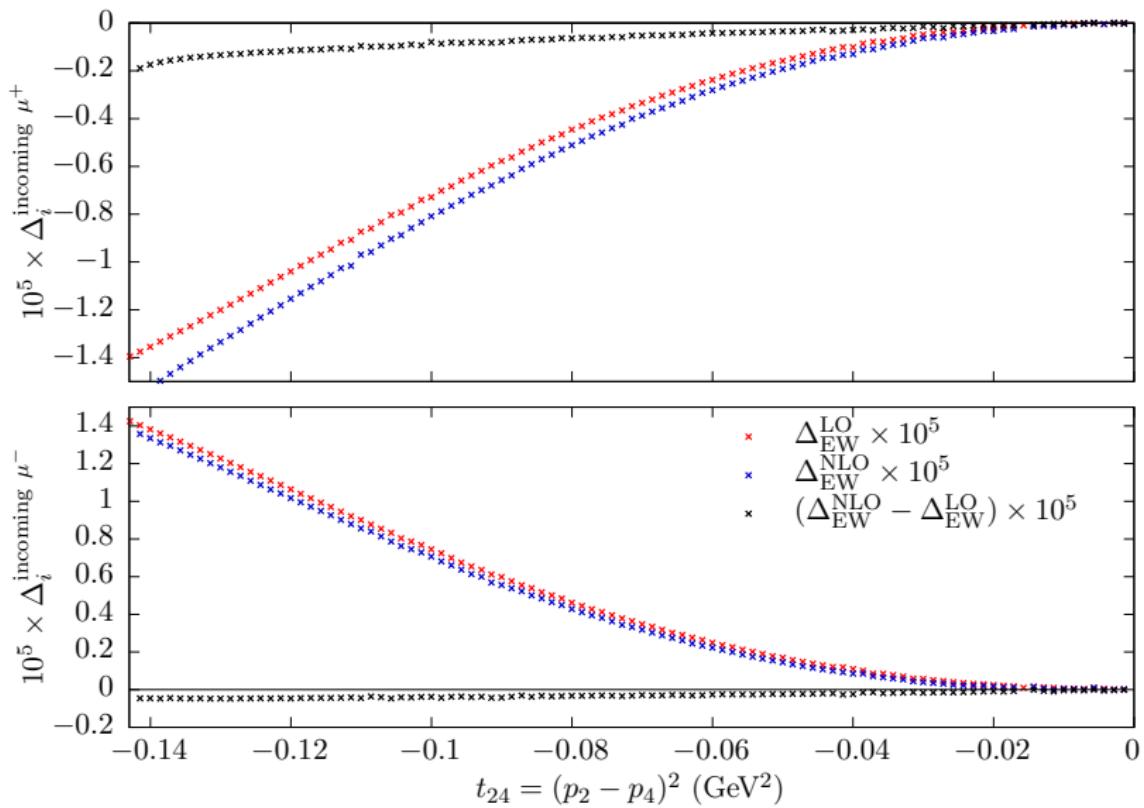
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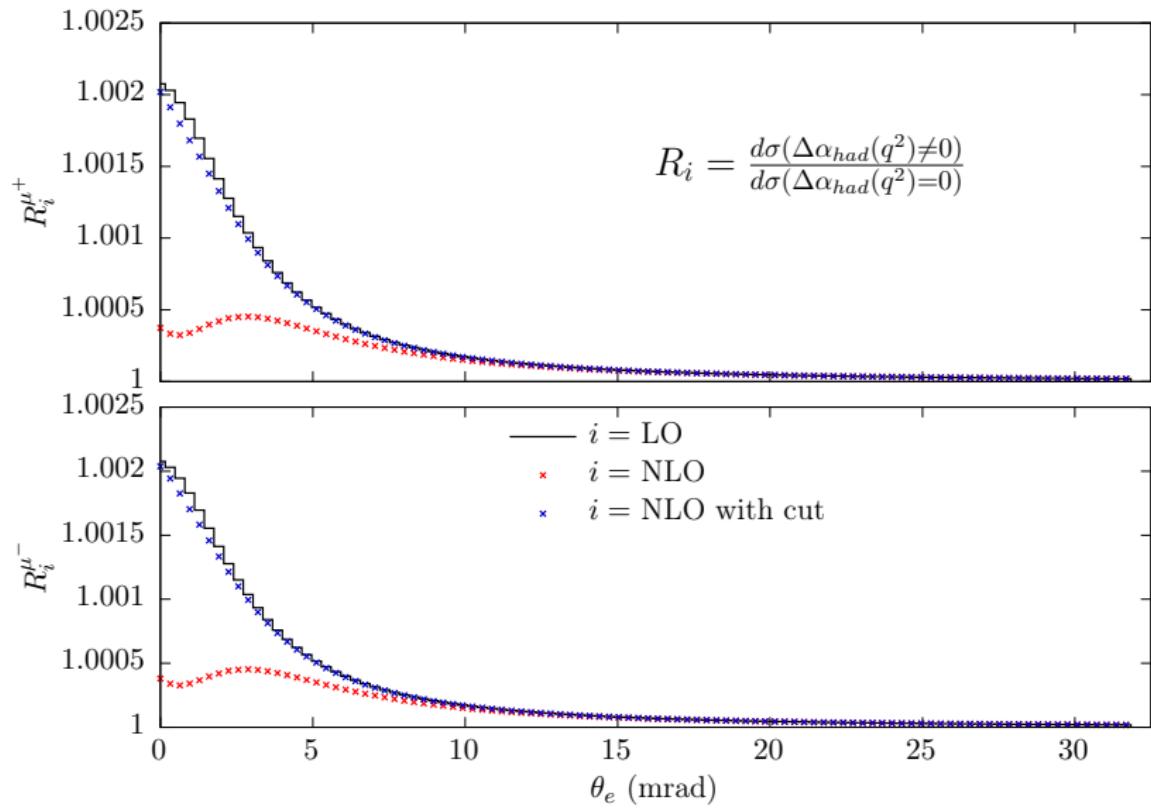
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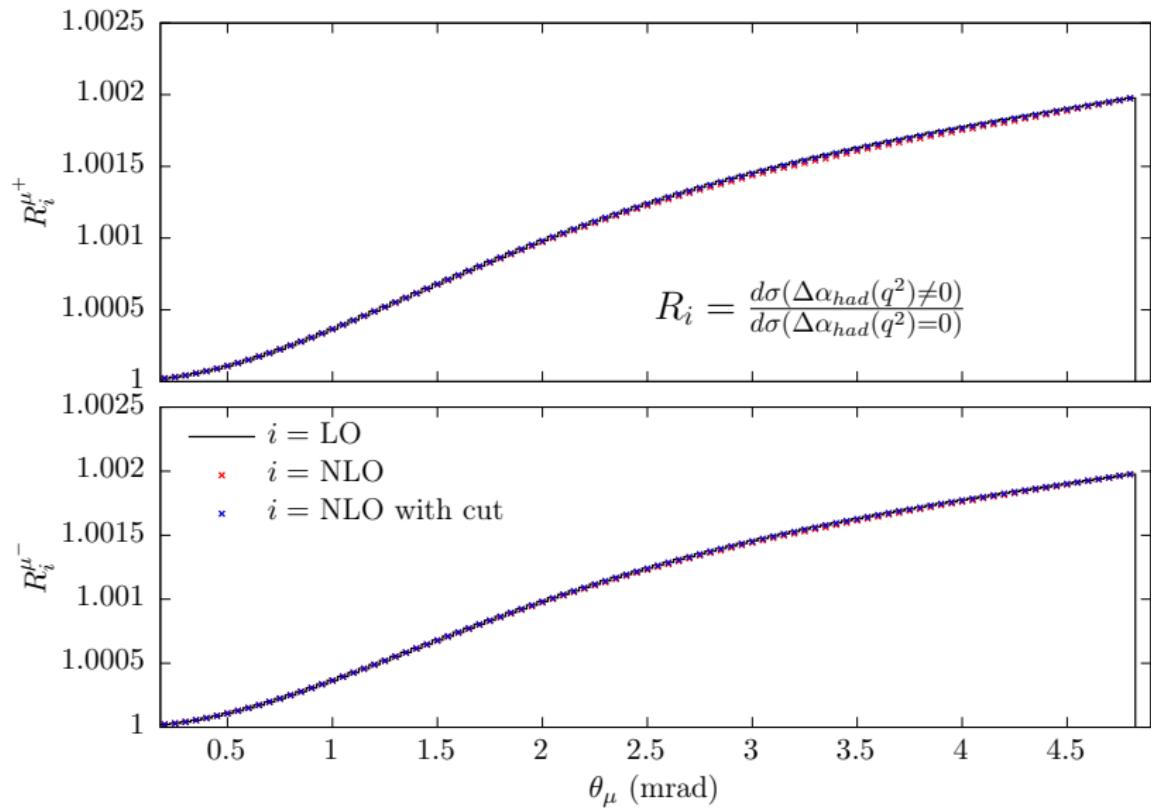
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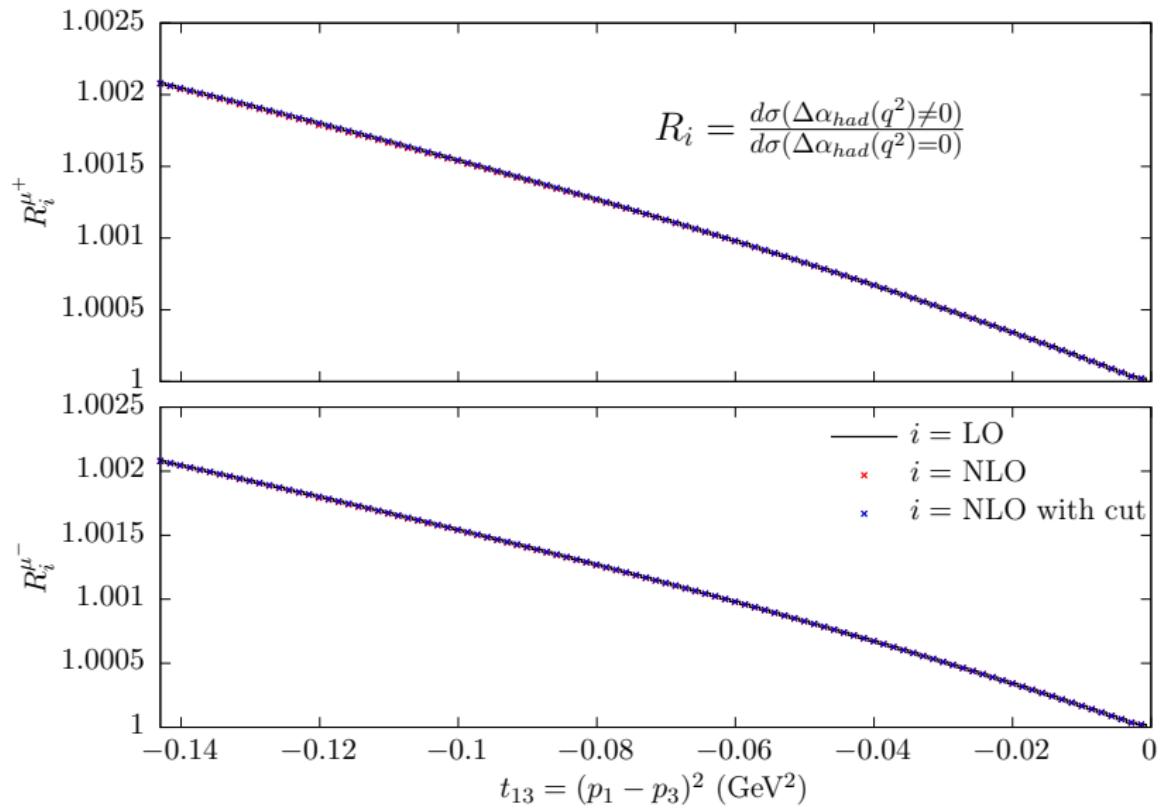
# $\Delta\alpha$ measured on top of LO or NLO



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