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# Threshold resummation of Drell-Yan rapidity distribution

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# Outline

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- Inclusive Cross Section
- Fixed Order Predictions and Associated Problems
- All Order Resummation
- Rapidity Spectrum
- Fixed Order Vs All Order
- Summary & Future Outlook



# Drell-Yan: Inclusive Production

Process:

$$h_1(p_1^\mu) + h_2(p_2^\mu) \rightarrow l\bar{l}(Q^\mu) + X$$

Parton model factorization

$$Q^2 \frac{d\sigma}{dQ^2} = \sigma_0(Q^2, \tau) \int_0^1 dx_1 \int_0^1 dx_2 \int_0^1 dz \delta(\tau - x_1 x_2 z) \\ \times f_a^{h_1}(x_1, \mu_F^2) f_b^{h_2}(x_2, \mu_F^2) \Delta^{ab} \left( z, \alpha_s(\mu_R^2), \frac{Q^2}{\mu_R^2}, \frac{Q^2}{\mu_F^2} \right)$$

$$\tau = \frac{Q^2}{s(= 2p_1 \cdot p_2)}; z = \frac{Q^2}{x_1 x_2 s} = \frac{Q^2}{\hat{s}}$$

$\mu_R$  : renormalization scale

$\mu_F$  : mass factorization scale



# Structure of Partonic Coefficient Function

At each perturbative order

$z \rightarrow 1$  (Soft / Threshold limit)

$$\Delta(z) = \Delta^{\text{sing.}}(z) + \Delta^{\text{reg.}}(z)$$

$$\Delta^{\text{sing.}}(z) = C_\delta(\alpha_s)\delta(1-z) + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} C_{\mathcal{D}_i}(\alpha_s)\mathcal{D}_i(z) + \text{Coll. Logs}$$

Sub-leading

$$D_i(z) \equiv \left[ \frac{\ln^i(1-z)}{1-z} \right]_+$$

$$\int_0^1 dz f(z) \mathcal{D}_i(z) \equiv \int_0^1 dz \frac{f(z) - f(1)}{1-z} \ln^i(1-z)$$



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# One of the solutions: All order resummation

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➤ Can be large enough to potentially spoil a perturbative series

➤ **Solution:** Threshold resummation, a technique to include/resum these logarithms to all orders in perturbation theory

[Sterman (1987), Catani-Trentadue (1989)]

➤ Can be used to improve the calculation accuracy that needs high precision and has been very successful in perturbative QCD



# Mellin Space: Phase-Space Factorization

➤ Resummation is most naturally performed in Mellin, N-space

➤ Underlying reason: factorization of phase-space happens in N-space not in z-space  $\Rightarrow$  threshold logarithms are exponentiated

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_N(Q^2) &\equiv \int_0^1 d\tau \tau^{N-1} \sigma(Q^2, \tau) \\ &= f_N * f_N * \Delta_N\end{aligned}\quad \begin{array}{c} z \rightarrow 1 \\ \downarrow \\ N \rightarrow \infty \end{array}$$

Under Mellin transformation

$$\left[ \frac{\ln^i(1-z)}{1-z} \right]_+ \rightarrow (\ln N)^{i+1} + \dots + \text{sub-leading terms}$$



# Resummation

➤ Contribution to the threshold logarithms to all orders in perturbation theory is known to be an exponential of the form:

$$\Delta_N^{\text{sing.}} \rightarrow \Delta_N^{\text{res.}} = g_0(\alpha_s) e^{G(N, \alpha_s)}$$

Born kinematics

where

$$G(N, \alpha_s) = \ln N g_1(\lambda) + g_2(\lambda) + \alpha_s g_3(\lambda) + \dots$$

$$1 \approx \lambda = \beta_0 \alpha_s \ln N$$

Consecutive terms are separated by a power of strong coupling



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# Resummation: Accuracy

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- **Accuracy**: Power of the threshold logarithms included in  $G(N, \alpha_s)$  relative to the strong coupling
- To have **next(k-times)-leading logarithmic accuracy** ( $N^k LL$ ),  $g_{k+1}$  must be included and  $g_0$  must be computed up to  $\alpha_s^k$  order
- Expansion of  $\Delta_N^{\text{res.}}$  with accuracy  $N^n LL$  in powers of  $\alpha_s(Q^2)$  up to order **n** correctly predicts all the threshold enhanced logarithmic contributions in  $\Delta_N^{\text{sing.}}$  up to the same order



# Resummation: Matching

- Exclusively using resummation to calculate an observable loses information about kinematic regions away from threshold and hence, not recommended
- Adding a fixed order result to the resummed calculation retains the information that is not enhanced at threshold and it is done through a process called matching to avoid double counting

$$\sigma^{\text{res.}}(Q^2, \tau) = \sigma^{\text{f.o.}}(Q^2, \tau) + \sigma_0(Q^2, \tau) \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} dN \tau^{-N} (f_N)^2 [\Delta_N^{\text{res.}} - \Delta_N^{\text{res.}}|_{\text{f.o.}}]$$

A parameter determined by resummation prescription

Matching



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# Resummation: Prescriptions

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➤ The Mellin inversion involves integration of the running strong coupling at the Landau pole

$$N = N_L = \exp \left( \frac{1}{2\beta_0\alpha_s} \right)$$

➤ Therefore naively taking inverse Mellin transform of the resummation formula will include information from the Landau pole

➤ A prescription which makes a divergent series asymptotic must be adopted to remove these spurious effects from the resummation calculation



# Prescriptions: Minimal Vs Borel

Minimal(MP)

Borel(BP)

[Catani, Mangano, Nason, Trantadue (1996)] [Forte, Ridolfi, Rojo, Ubiali, Abbate (2006, 2007)]

- Differ in the way the high-order behaviour of the divergent series is handled
- In particular, they differ in sub-leading terms that do not increase as rapidly as threshold logarithms of the desired logarithmic accuracy
- To further pinpoint, in the MP all the  $1/N$  suppressed terms in  $N$ -space are set to 0, but this leads to  $(1-z)$  power suppressed terms in  $z$ -space, while in the BP the opposite is true



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# State-of-the-art Calculations

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- Threshold resummation method has been very successful for the inclusive cross section
- Using resummation the theoretical uncertainty from missing higher orders has been brought down to few % for the Higgs production  
[Catani-de Florian-Grazzini-Nason (2003), Bonvini-Marzani-Muselli-Rottoli (2016)]
- Similar high accuracy has also been achieved for the lepton pair production through Drell-Yan  
[Moch-Vogt (2005), Catani-Cieri-de Florian-Ferrera-Grazzini (2014)]
- Obvious extension: to more differential observables such as Rapidity



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# DY rapidity distribution

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Rapidity distribution is given by

$$Q^2 \frac{d\sigma}{dQ^2 dY}(\tau, Y, Q^2) = \sigma_0(Q^2, \tau) \int_0^1 dx_1 \int_0^1 dx_2 \int_0^1 dz_1 \int_0^1 dz_2 \delta(x_1^0 - x_1 z_1) \delta(x_2^0 - x_2 z_2) \\ \times f_a^{h_1}(x_1, \mu_F^2) f_b^{h_2}(x_2, \mu_F^2) \Delta_y^{ab} \left( z_1, z_2, y, \alpha_s(\mu_R^2), \frac{Q^2}{\mu_R^2}, \frac{Q^2}{\mu_F^2} \right)$$

$$\tau = \frac{Q^2}{s(= 2p_1 \cdot p_2)}; x_{1,2}^0 = \sqrt{\tau} e^{\pm Y} \quad \Bigg| \quad y = Y - \frac{1}{2} \ln \left( \frac{x_1}{x_2} \right); z = z_1 z_2 = \frac{\tau}{x_1 x_2}$$



# Fixed order: Integrable Singularity

Similarly, to the inclusive cross section

$$\Delta(z_1, z_2) = \Delta^{\text{sing.}}(z_1, z_2) + \Delta^{\text{reg.}}(z_1, z_2)$$

$z_{1,2} \rightarrow 1$  (Soft / threshold limit)

$$\Delta^{\text{sing.}}(z_1, z_2) = C_\delta(\alpha_s) \delta(1 - z_1) \delta(1 - z_2) + \sum_{i,j=-1}^{\infty} C_{\mathcal{D}_{ij}} \mathcal{D}_i(z_1) \mathcal{D}_j(z_2) + \text{Coll. logs}$$

Sub-leading

$$\mathcal{D}_{-1}(z_j) = \delta(1 - z_j)$$



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# Rapidity Resummation: Comments

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➤ It follows similar steps as for the inclusive case

➤ Technically it is more difficult as hadronic rapidity complicates the factorization of soft gluon phase space

$$\delta(x_1^0 - x_1 z_1) * \delta(x_2^0 - x_2 z_2)$$

➤ Unlike inclusive case, two integral transforms are required for the rapidity distribution to do the same



# Rapidity Resummation: Existing Approaches

- In methods currently employed in phenomenological studies: a Fourier transform w.r.t. rapidity and Mellin transform w.r.t.  $z$

$$\{z_1, z_2\} \leftrightarrow \{z, y\}$$

- By E. Laenen and G. F. Sterman: it was conjectured to provide an approximation to the threshold resummed rapidity spectrum at  $y=0$
- Performing Mellin-Fourier (M-F) transform and neglecting some terms, one could express resummation in rapidity effectively in terms of rapidity integrated resummed exponent

[Mukherjee-Vogelsang (2006), Bolzoni (2006)]



# Rapidity Resummation: Existing Results

➤ Following the approach, a phenomenologically complete study with higher resummation accuracy (NNLO+NNLL) was achieved both for neutral as well as charged DY

[Bonvini-Forte-Ridolfi (2010)]

➤ Similar studies are also performed from the SCET side

[Becher-Neubert-Xu (2007)]

➤ In all the above studies:  $\left[ \frac{\ln^i(y)}{y} \right]_+ \rightarrow 0$



# Existing Approaches: A Different One

➤ There is a second approach originally applied to Feynman variable ( $x_F$ ) which includes distributions in both partonic rapidity ( $y$ ) and inclusive scaling variable,  $z$

[Catani-Trentadue (1989)]

➤ Two Mellin (M-M) transforms were performed corresponding to two variables to have phase-space factorization and include all the threshold enhanced logarithms into an exponential

$$\int_0^1 dx_1^0 (x_1^0)^{N_1-1} \int_0^1 dx_2^0 (x_2^0)^{N_2-1} \delta(x_1^0 - x_1 z_1) \delta(x_2^0 - x_2 z_2)$$



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# Existing Result and Our Extension

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- The latter approach was successfully applied to both Feynman variable and rapidity spectrum at NLO+NLL accuracy and shown to improve the existing result in high- $x_F / Y$  region resulting in better agreement with the data  
[Westmark-Owens (2017)]
- We extended the above work to a higher resummation accuracy i.e. NNLO+NNLL in M-M space and presented the predictions for both Higgs and DY rapidity spectrum at the LHC energies  
[Banerjee-Das-Ravindran+PKD (2017, 2018)]



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# Comments

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➤ One of the consequences of the resummation exponent existing in M-M space is that the Landau pole no longer corresponds to a single Mellin moment, instead the Landau pole occurs on the curve

$$N_1 N_2 = \exp \left( \frac{1}{\alpha_s \beta_0} \right)$$

➤ While using MP, the paths of the two inverse Mellin transforms must be to the right of all poles in both  $N_1$  and  $N_2$  space, but performed in such a way that the Landau pole lies to the right of the paths



# Rapidity Resummation: Matching

Using MP

$$\sigma^{\text{res.}}(Q^2, \tau, Y) = \sigma^{\text{f.o.}}(Q^2, \tau, Y) + \sigma_0(Q^2, \tau, Y) \int_{c_1-i\infty}^{c_1+i\infty} \frac{dN_1}{2\pi i} \int_{c_2-i\infty}^{c_2+i\infty} \frac{dN_2}{2\pi i} \\ \times \tau^{-\frac{N_1+N_2}{2}} e^{Y(N_2-N_1)} f_{N_1} f_{N_2} \left[ \Delta_{N_1, N_2}^{\text{res.}} - \Delta_{N_1, N_2}^{\text{res.}}|_{\text{f.o.}} \right]$$

NNLO

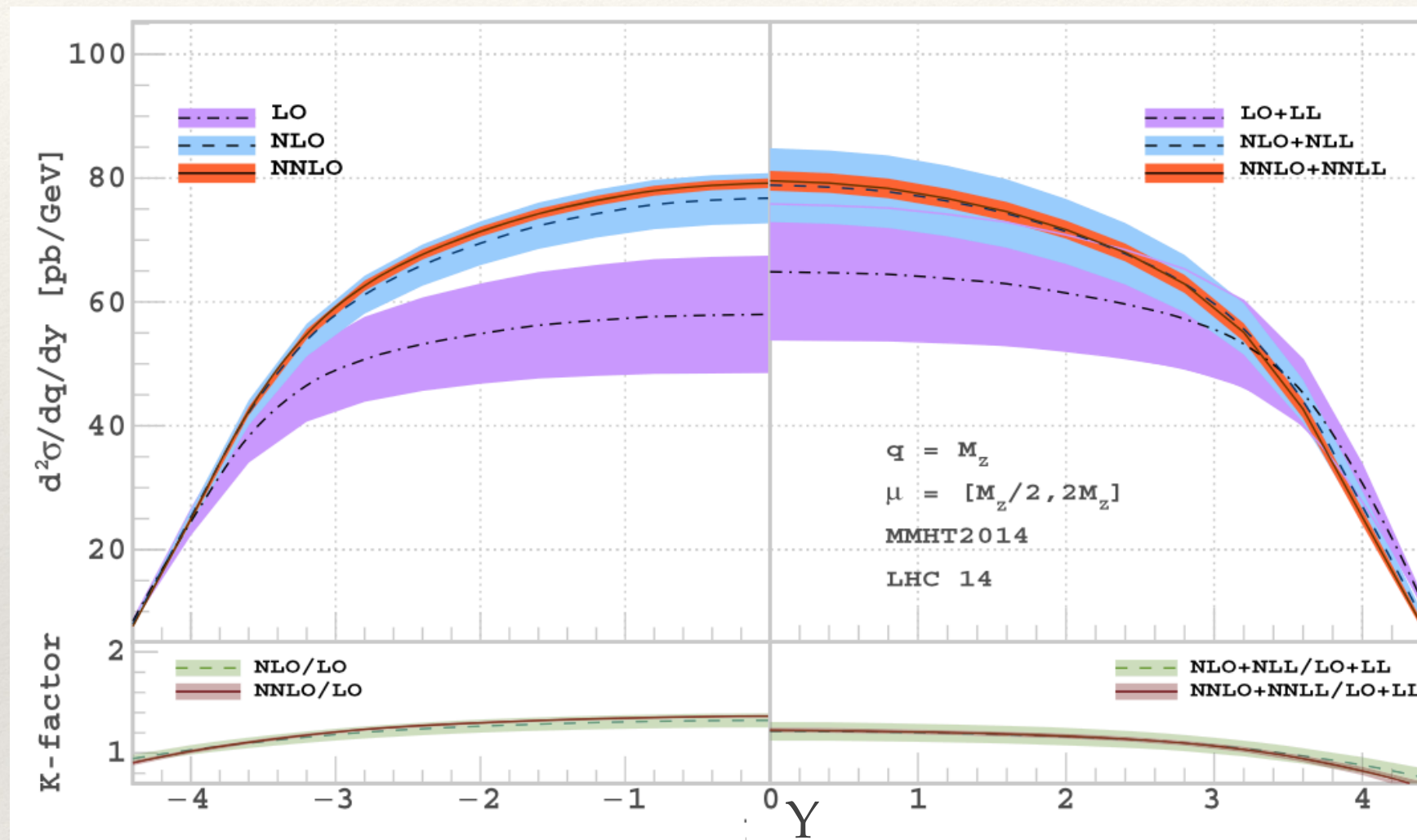
NNLL

Phenomenology:  $\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$ ;  $Q = M_Z$ ; PDF: MMHT14(68cl)

➤ Fixed order from **Vrap** [Anastasiou-Dixon-Melnikov-Petriello (2003)]



# Fixed Order Vs All Order



Resummation increases the cross section across Y-values

Better overlap compared to F.O.

But large uncertainty band

Reason:

[Banerjee-Das-Ravindran+PKD (2018)]

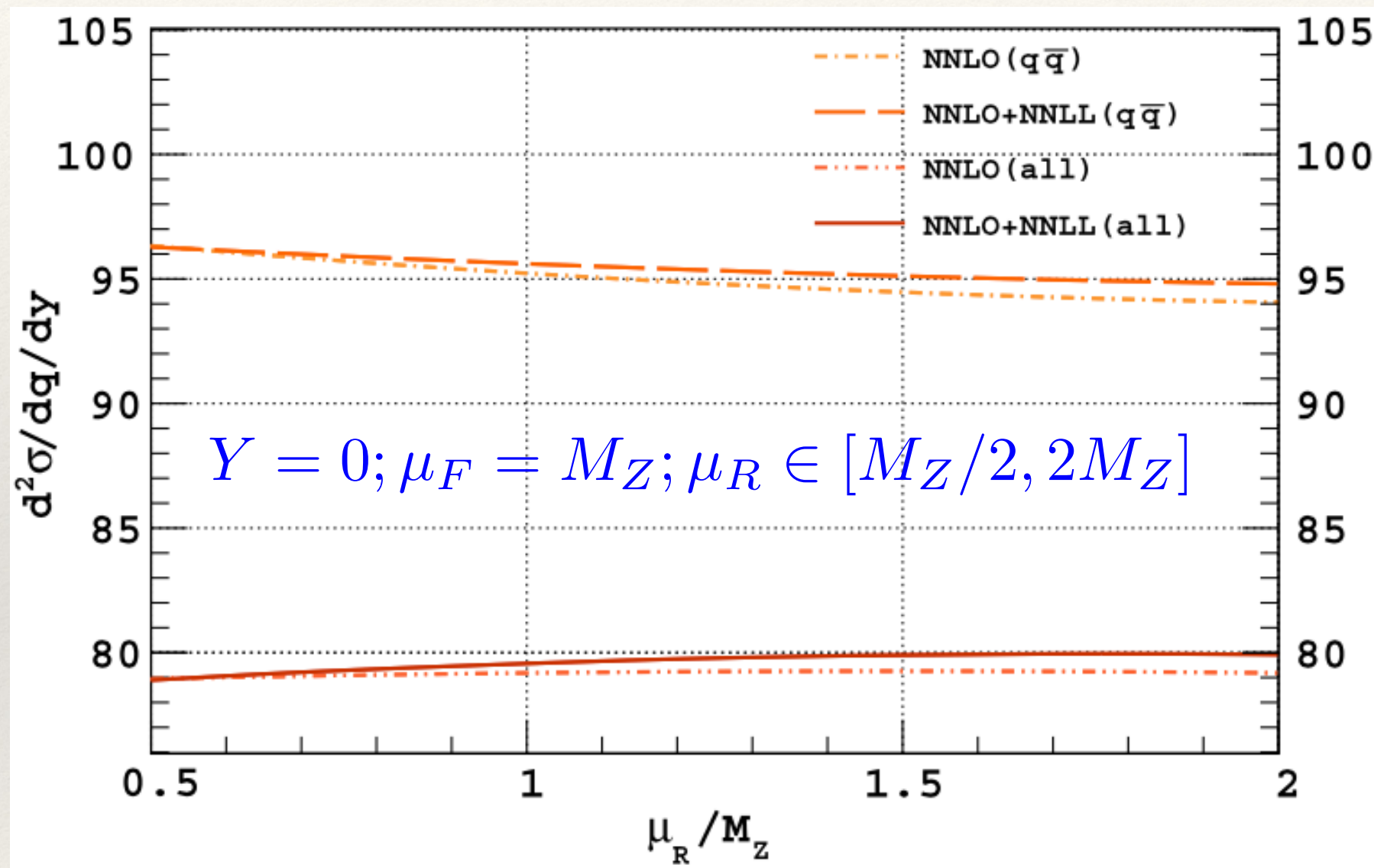
Central scale choice:  $\mu_R = \mu_F = M_Z$

Only qQ-channel contributes

Most PDFs are lack of resummation effect



# qQ Vs All other channels



qQ: resummation  
brings more stability

From  $M_Z/2$  to  $2M_Z$

F.O. decreases by 2.36 %

Corresponding number  
for the resummation one  
is 1.53%

[Banerjee-Das-Ravindran+PKD (2018)]



# Fixed Order Vs All Order

$Y$	NLO	NLO + NLL	NNLO	NNLO + NNLL
0.0	$76.758 \pm 5.28\%$	$78.867 \pm 7.56\%$	$79.182 \pm 0.98\%$	$79.568 \pm 2.02\%$
0.8	$75.727 \pm 5.26\%$	$77.797 \pm 7.53\%$	$77.968 \pm 1.04\%$	$78.340 \pm 2.03\%$
1.6	$72.295 \pm 5.17\%$	$74.274 \pm 7.45\%$	$74.239 \pm 1.11\%$	$74.588 \pm 2.08\%$
2.4	$65.953 \pm 5.04\%$	$67.772 \pm 7.33\%$	$67.678 \pm 1.21\%$	$67.985 \pm 2.11\%$

[Banerjee-Das-Ravindran+PKD (2018)]

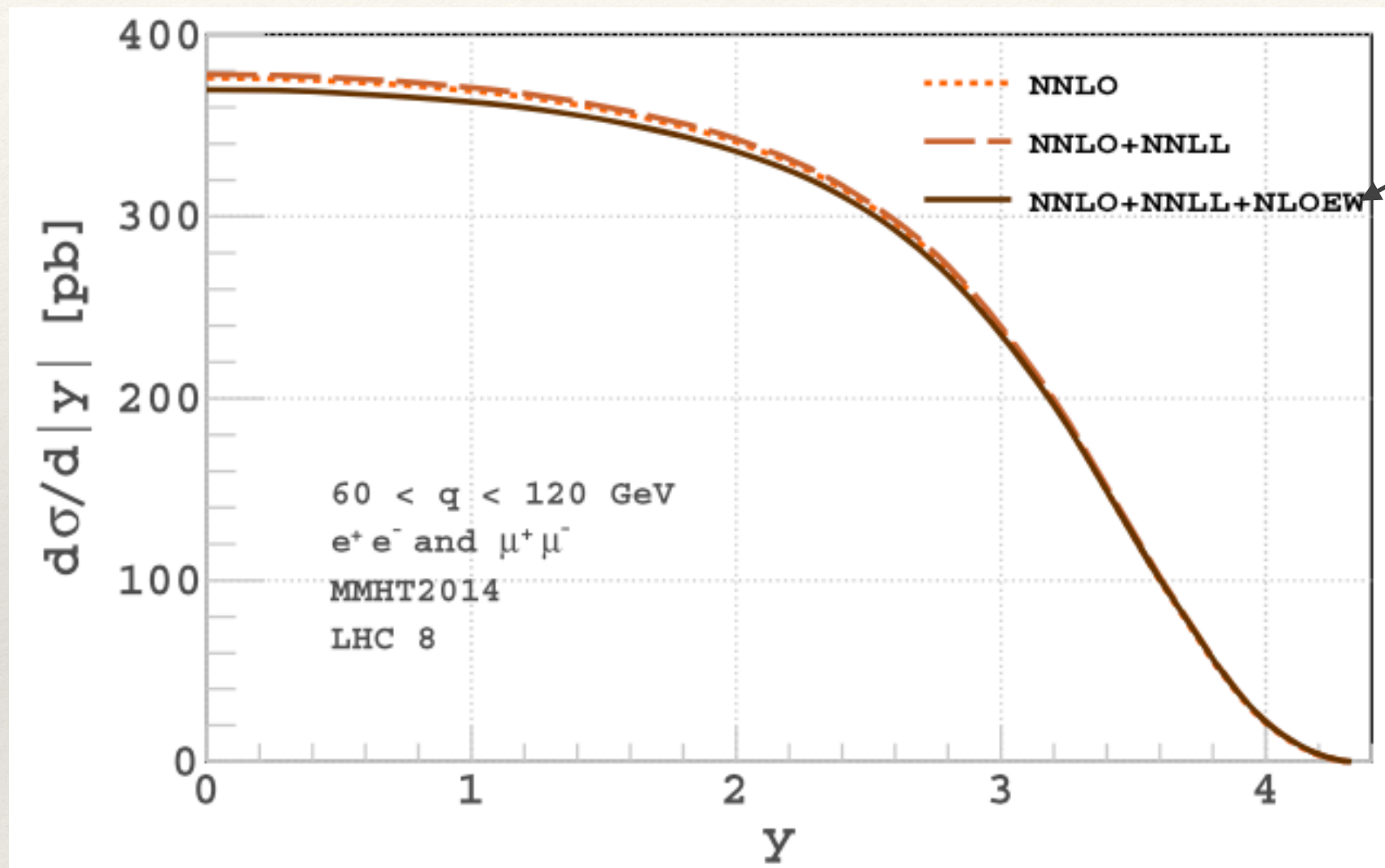
$$K_{\text{NLO}} \in \{1.3, 1.2\}$$

$$K_{\text{NNLO}} \in \{1.37, 1.30\}$$

$$K_{\text{N(N)LO+N(N)LL}} \sim 1.2$$



# Q-integrated Rapidity Distribution



Horace-3.2

NNLL: 0.5 %

NLO\_EW is -ve

Overall 2.3% decrease

[Banerjee-Das-Ravindran+PKD (2018)]



# M-M Vs M-F

y	$(\frac{\mu_R}{M_Z}, \frac{\mu_F}{M_Z})$	LO	LL <sub>M-F</sub>	LL <sub>M-M</sub>	NLO	NLL <sub>M-F</sub>	NLL <sub>M-M</sub>	NNLO	NNLL <sub>M-F</sub>	NNLL <sub>M-M</sub>
0.0	(2, 2)	72.626	+0.988	+3.219	73.450	+1.639	+1.796	70.894	+0.630	+0.646
0.0	(2, 1)	63.197	+0.768	+2.595	70.625	+0.761	+1.017	70.360	+0.292	+0.317
0.0	(1, 2)	72.626	+1.095	+3.577	73.535	+1.912	+1.760	70.509	+0.510	+0.395
0.0	(1, 1)	63.197	+0.851	+2.887	71.395	+0.858	+0.901	70.537	+0.248	+0.167
0.0	(1, 1/2)	53.241	+0.621	+2.216	67.581	+0.156	+0.140	69.834	-0.001	-0.094
0.0	(1/2, 1)	63.197	+0.953	+3.278	72.355	+0.945	+0.681	70.266	+0.091	-0.015
0.0	(1/2, 1/2)	53.241	+0.695	+2.504	69.259	+0.102	-0.154	70.283	-0.039	-0.146

[Banerjee-Das-Ravindran+PKD (2018)]

➤ For the M-F results, we use publicly available code **ReDY**

[Bonvini-Forte-Ridolfi (2010)]

➤ We find that predictions from M-F and M-M are comparable at higher resummation accuracy in the central rapidity region.



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# Summary & Future Outlook

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- Using threshold resummation technique, we have included large threshold logarithms in both partonic rapidity and scaling variable up to NNLO+NNLL accuracy for the lepton pair production
- Resummation has been performed in M-M space where kinematics gets factorized and matched to fixed order result to have better prediction for the rapidity spectrum
- Finally, we have presented our predictions for the LHC-14 and compared our results with the existing results in the literature.



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# Comments & Future Outlook

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➤ Note that, I only talked about resummation of dominant contributions in the threshold limit i.e. distributions in the partonic variables.

➤ For some observables, next-to dominant terms such as  $\ln(1 - z_i)$  are important and should be included to high orders

➤ Very recent work from SCET suggesting a formalism for generalized threshold limit i.e.

$$z_1 \rightarrow 1 \text{ for arbitrary } z_2 \text{ and vice versa}$$

[Lustermans-Michel-Tackmann (2019)]

➤ It would be interesting to see such a formalism from QCD side



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