

High precision calculations for the MUonE experiment

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The muon $g - 2$ & Spacelike approach

Starting point: $g_\mu - 2$ & Theoretical Approaches

$$a_\mu^{\text{SM}} \times 10^{11} = 116591810(43)$$

$$a_\mu^{\text{EXP}} \times 10^{11} = 116592061(41)$$

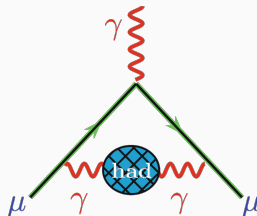
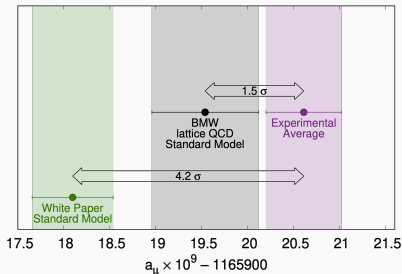
$$a_\mu^{\text{QED}} \times 10^{11} = 116584718.931(104)$$

$$a_\mu^{\text{EW}} \times 10^{11} = 153.6(1.0)$$

$$a_\mu^{\text{HLbL}} \times 10^{11} = 92(18)$$

$$a_\mu^{\text{HVP}} \times 10^{11} = 6845(40)$$

$$a_\mu^{\text{SM}} \times 10^{11} = 116591810(43)$$



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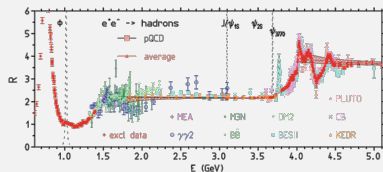
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Timelike & Spacelike approaches

Timelike approach:

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HLO}} = \left(\frac{\alpha m_{\mu}}{3\pi}\right)^2 \left[\int_{m_{\pi}^2}^{\infty} ds \frac{K(s)R^{\text{had}}(s)}{s^2} \right];$$

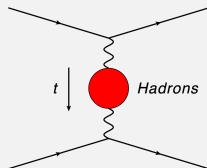
$$R^{\text{had}}(s) = \frac{\sigma(e^{+}e^{-} \rightarrow \text{had}, s)}{\frac{4}{3} \frac{\pi \alpha^2}{s}}$$



Spacelike approach:

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HLO}} = \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \int_0^1 dx (1-x) \Delta \alpha_{\text{had}} [t(x)];$$

$$t(x) = \frac{x^2 m_{\mu}^2}{x-1} < 0$$

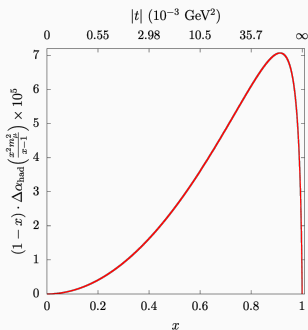


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Going spacelike

- $\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}$: measured in a **single experiment** with a spacelike process.
- **A high-precision experiment is needed: 10 ppm.**



μe scattering on a low Z target is an ideal process:

- pure t -channel process
- M2 muon beam ($E_\mu \approx 160 \text{ GeV}$) is available at CERN
- $\sqrt{s} \approx 0.4 \text{ GeV}$ and $-0.143 < t < 0 \text{ GeV}^2$. We can cover 87% of the integral with data. We can then extrapolate up to $x \rightarrow 1$.



G. Abbiendi's talk

State of the art of $\mu e \rightarrow \mu e$ scattering calculations

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Numerical implementations for μe scattering **NLO** and **NNLO**: State of the Art

MESMER (Monte Carlo Event Generator)

MCMULE (Monte Carlo Integrator)

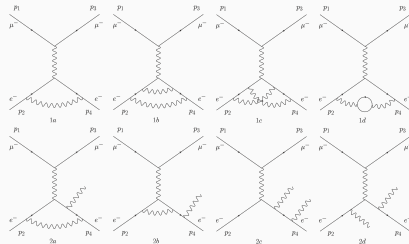
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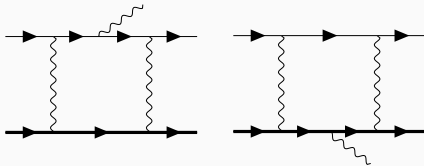
Towards muon-electron scattering at NNLO in QED

Photonic NNLO corrections: exact contributions

- Virtual NNLO photonic contributions are included exactly for electron or muon leg emission. 2-loop QED vertex from factors taken from Mastrolia and Remiddi.



- 1-loop corrections to real photon emission exactly included: e.g. pentagon diagrams.
- Double real emission included exactly.



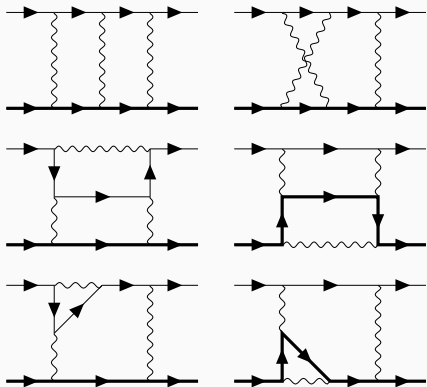
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Photonic NNLO corrections: approximated contributions



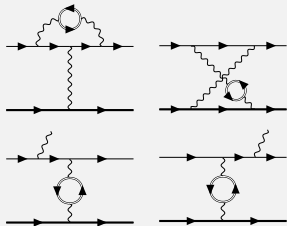
- Of the two-loop virtual diagrams with a virtual photon insertion on top of NLO boxes, only the IR part is included exactly (YFS).
- The non-IR remnants are approximate.
- All photonic NNLO effects weigh at most **some %** at the Phase Space boundaries.
- Full $\mu e \rightarrow \mu e$ at NNLO (Padova&PSI).

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NNLO Lepton Pair Contributions: Virtual

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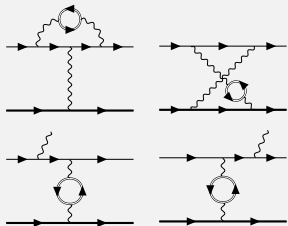


$$\frac{-ig_{\mu\nu}}{q^2 + i\epsilon} \rightarrow -ig_{\mu\nu} \left(\frac{\alpha}{3\pi} \right) \int_{4m_\ell^2}^{\infty} \frac{dz}{z} \\ \times \frac{1}{q^2 - z + i\epsilon} \left(1 + \frac{4m_\ell^2}{2z} \right) \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_\ell^2}{z}}.$$

- Integration over z is performed **numerically** with MC techniques.
- **Master Integral** techniques for a subset of such diagrams to cross-check results.
- Interplay between real photon radiation and leptonic loop insertions.
- **IR divergences** are cancelled by a sub-set of the virtual contributions.

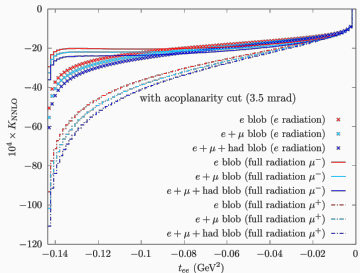
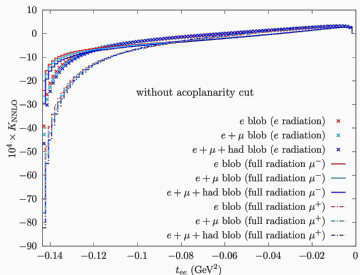
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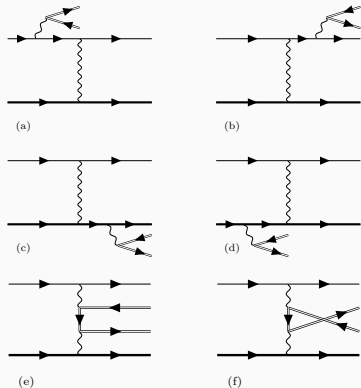
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NNLO Lepton Pair Contributions: Real

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- $2 \rightarrow 4$ LIPS.
- The QED matrix elements have been calculated with FORM and cross-checked with RECOLA.
- Cuts: a set of **elasticity cuts** must be imposed to reduce a potentially large background

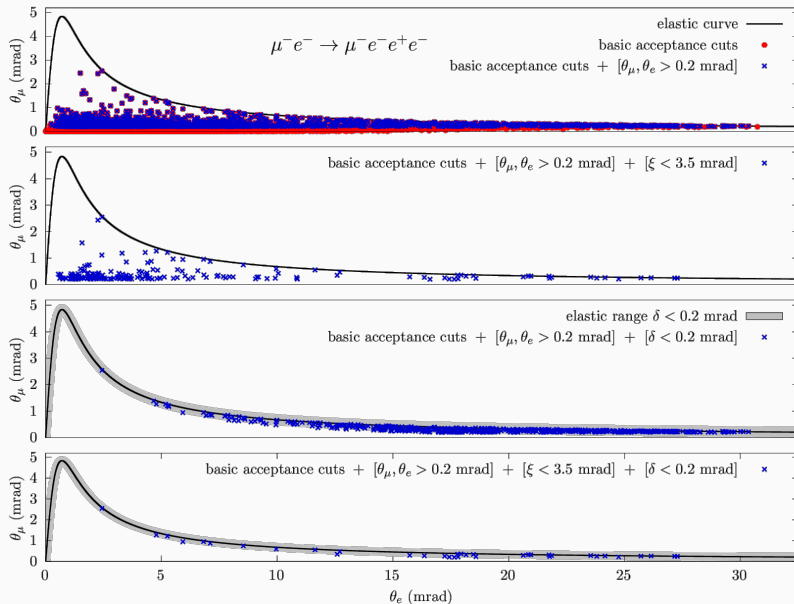


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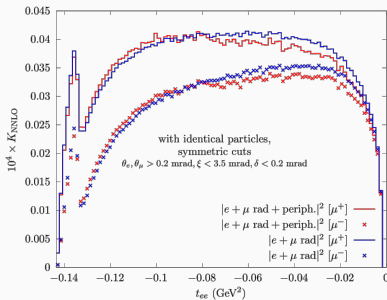
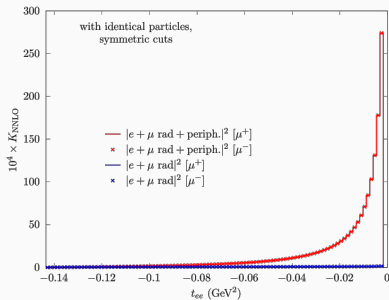
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Elasticity cut



Real NNLO Lepton Pair Contributions: Results



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Backup slides

Elasticity curve can be parametrised as follows:

$$\theta_{\mu}(\theta_e) = \arctan \left[\frac{2m_e r \cos \theta_e \sin \theta_e}{E_{\mu}^i - r (r E_{\mu}^i + 2m_e) \cos^2 \theta_e} \right],$$

where r is defined as:

$$r = \frac{\sqrt{(E_{\mu}^i)^2 - m_{\mu}^2}}{E_{\mu}^i + m_e}$$

and E_{μ}^i is the incident muon energy in the laboratory reference frame.

Backup: Event selection criteria

- **Basic acceptance cuts**
- When we have 4 particles in the final state we require that **only 2 are detected** ($E_i > 200$ MeV and $\vartheta_i < 100$ mrad).

On top of it, we added **3 selection cuts** to select elastic events:

- **cut 1:** $\vartheta_e > 0.2$ mrad and $\vartheta_\mu > 0.2$ mrad
- **cut 2:** $\xi = |\pi - |\phi_e - \phi_\mu|| < \xi_c = 3.5$ mrad
- **cut 3:** Elasticity distance $\delta < \delta_c = 0.2$ mrad. δ is defined as the distance from the elastic curve:

$$\delta = \min_{\theta_e} \sqrt{(\theta_e - \theta_e^0)^2 + (\theta_\mu(\theta_e) - \theta_\mu^0)^2}.$$

Backup: Sketch of the NLO calculation

NLO contributions:

$$\sigma_{\text{NLO}} = \sigma_{2 \rightarrow 2} + \sigma_{2 \rightarrow 3}$$

- Leading Order and **NLO virtual** contributions::

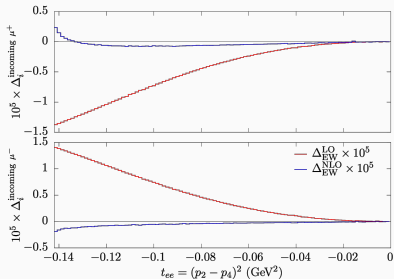
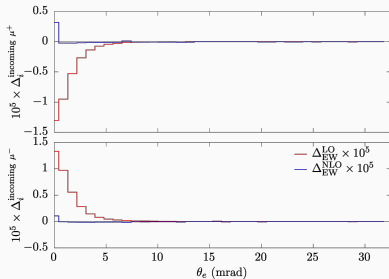
$$\sigma_{2 \rightarrow 2} = \sigma_{\text{LO}} + \sigma_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{v}} = \frac{1}{F} \int d\Phi_2 \left\{ |\mathcal{M}_{\text{LO}}|^2 + 2 \text{Re} \left[\mathcal{M}_{\text{LO}}^\dagger \mathcal{M}_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{v}}(\lambda) \right] \right\}$$

- **NLO Real** contributions:

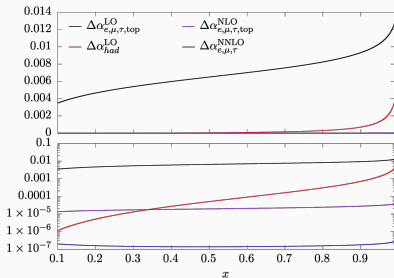
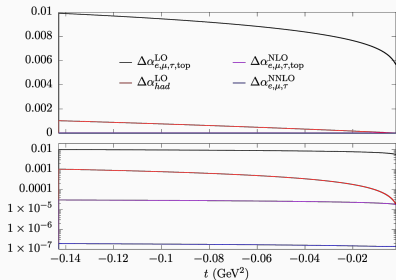
$$\sigma_{2 \rightarrow 3} = \frac{1}{F} \left(\int_{\lambda < E_\gamma < \Delta E} d\Phi_3 |\mathcal{M}_{\text{NLO}}^\gamma|^2 + \int_{E_\gamma > \Delta E} d\Phi_3 |\mathcal{M}_{\text{NLO}}^\gamma|^2 \right)$$

- Same strategy used at NNLO

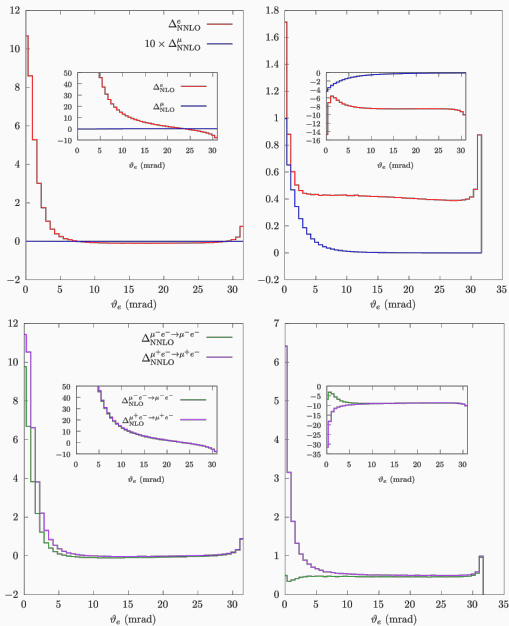
Backup: NLO EW corrections



Backup: $\Delta\alpha$



Backup: Photonic NNLO corrections: Results



Backup: YFS approximation

At **NLO** for virtual box diagrams, YFS misses terms of order:

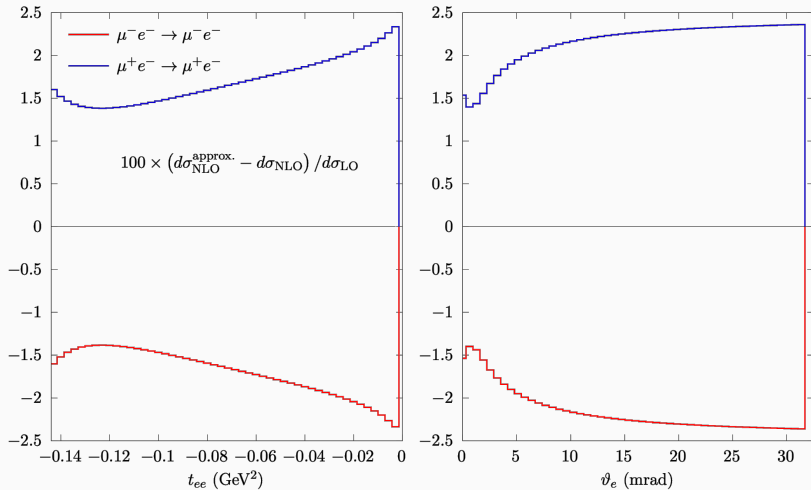
$$\frac{\alpha}{\pi} \ln \frac{m_\mu^2}{m_e^2} \simeq 0.025.$$

Therefore, for **NNLO** boxes YFS is expected to be accurate up to terms of order:

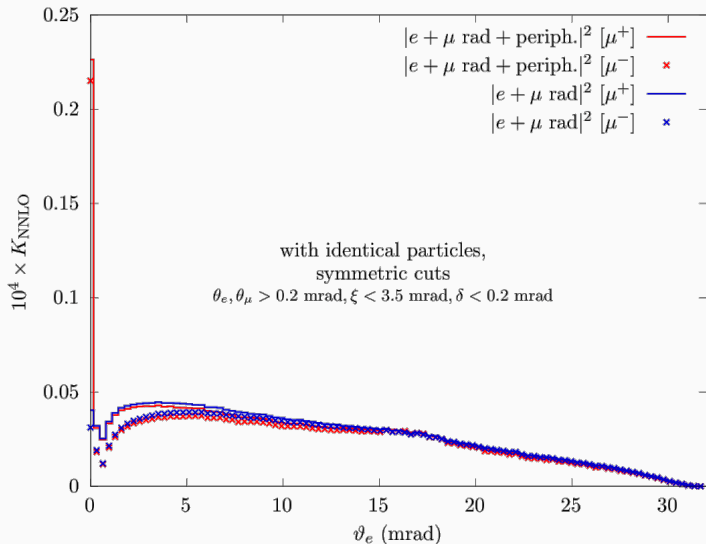
$$\left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \ln^2 \frac{m_\mu^2}{m_e^2} \simeq 6 \times 10^{-4}.$$

Improving the accuracy requires the inclusion of exact NNLO boxes, at least their leading terms in m_e .

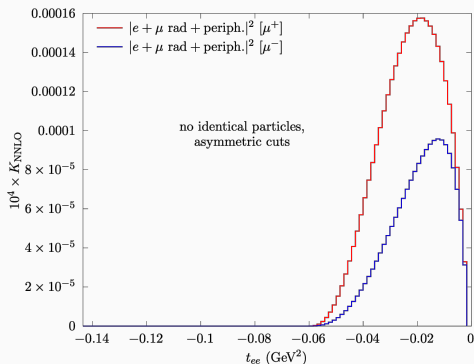
Backup: YFS @ NLO



Backup: Real NNLO Lepton Pair Contributions: More Results

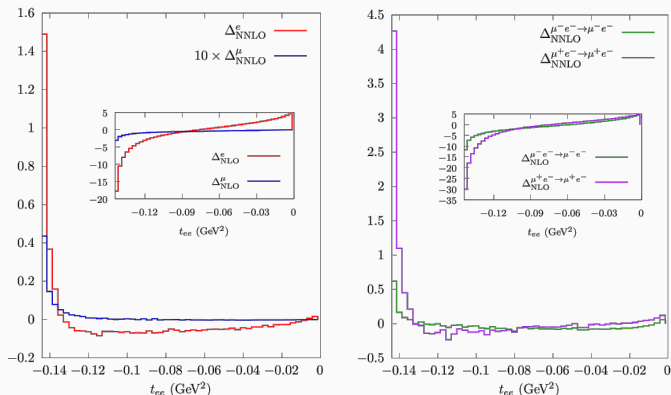


Backup: Muon pair production



- $\mu e \rightarrow \mu e + \mu^+ \mu^-$
contributions are well below
10 ppm without cuts.
- By imposing standard
(symmetrical) cuts, the
process is kinematically
forbidden.

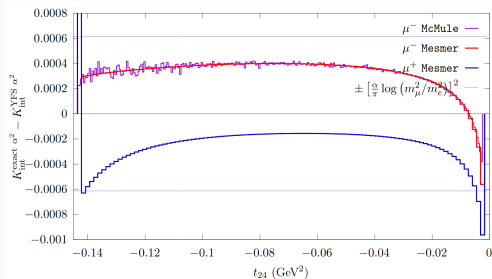
Backup: Photonic NNLO corrections: Results



$$\Delta_i^{\text{NNLO}} = \frac{d\sigma_i^{\text{NNLO}}}{d\sigma_i^{\text{LO}}} \times 100$$

Exact NNLO photonic corrections

- The complete two-loop corrections to $f\bar{f} \rightarrow F\bar{F}$ have been calculated by Bonciani *et al.* for $m_f = 0$. Using **crossing symmetry** it can be used for $\mu e \rightarrow \mu e$;
- The amplitudes with $m_e = 0$ can undergo the **massification** procedure, to get the collinear divergences in terms of $\ln(Q^2/m_e)$;
- NNLO double boxes are CPU expensive (>1 s/event on a single core).



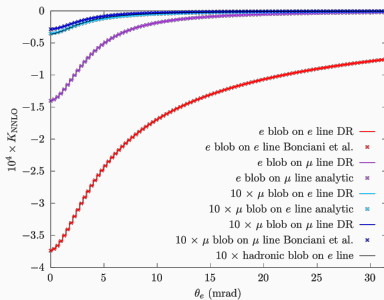
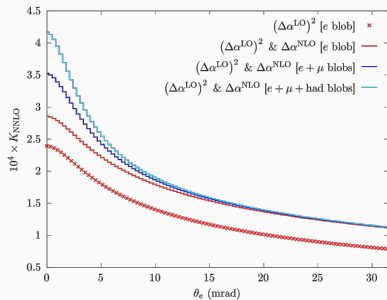
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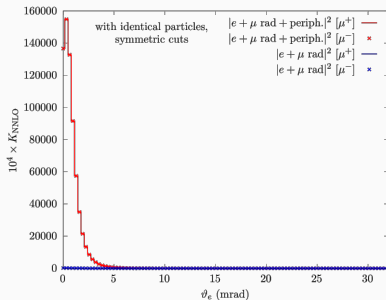
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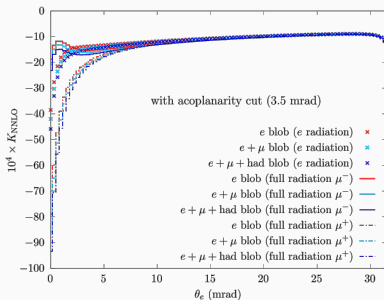
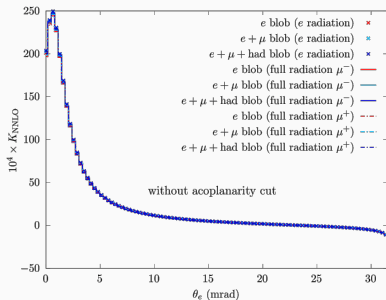


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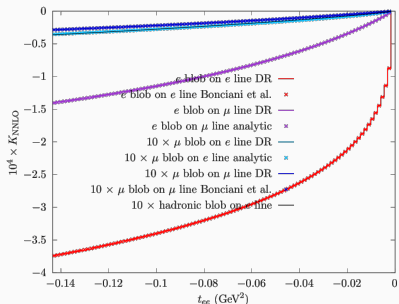
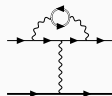
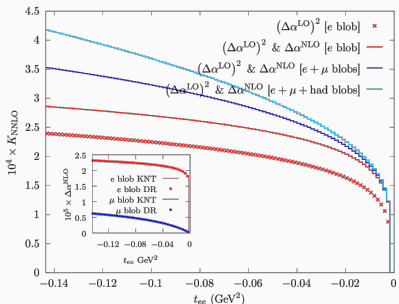
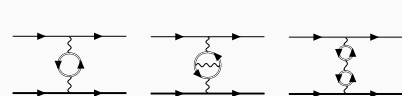
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$$K_{NNLO} = \frac{d\sigma_{N_f}^{\alpha^2}}{d\sigma_{LO}}$$