

Energy-Energy Correlation in the back-to-back region at N³LL+NNLO in QCD

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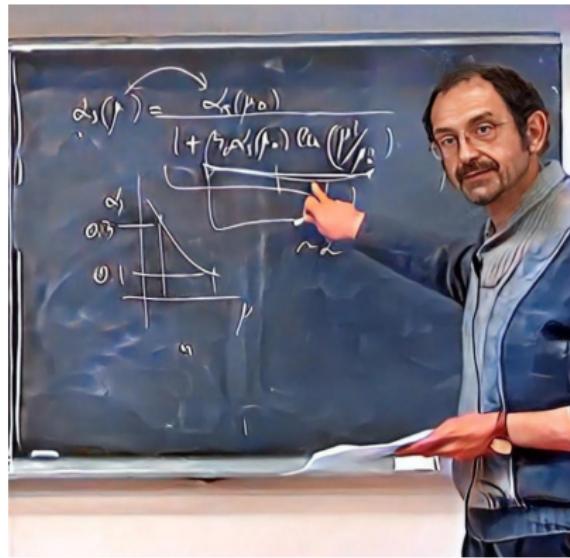
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Stefano Catani (1958-2024)



Wonderful person, outstanding physicist

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QCD COHERENT BRANCHING AND SEMI-INCLUSIVE PROCESSES AT LARGE x^*

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$$\alpha_s^{(\text{MC})} = \alpha_s^{(\overline{\text{MS}})} \left(1 + K \frac{\alpha_s^{(\overline{\text{MS}})}}{2\pi} \right),$$

$$A_{\text{MC}} = A_{\overline{\text{MS}}} \exp(K/4\pi\beta_0)$$

$$\simeq 1.569 A_{\overline{\text{MS}}} \quad \text{for } N_f = 5.$$

In this paper we have studied [...] the next-to-leading logarithmic terms in semi-inclusive hard processes such as the DIS and DY processes at large x . Since the Monte Carlo algorithm with these improvements is accurate to next-to-leading order in the large- x region, it can be used to determine the fundamental QCD scale $\Lambda_{\overline{\text{MS}}}$

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Advantages:

- higher sensitivity to α_S w.r.t. *inclusive* observables;
- calculable at **higher theoretical accuracy** w.r.t. *exclusive* observables.

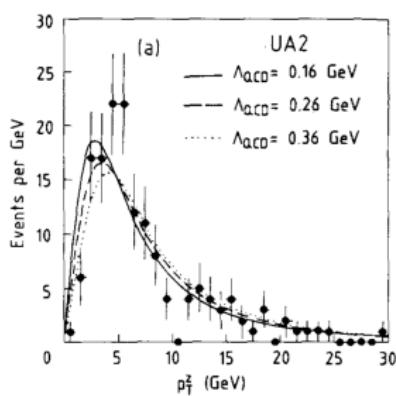
Challenges:

- sensitivity to **infrared (Sudakov) logs**;
- sensitivity **non perturbative QCD** effects.

Classical semi-inclusive obs. at colliders:
high invariant-mass **Drell–Yan** lepton pair hadroproduction
at small transverse-momentum (q_T) and
energy-energy-correlation in e^+e^- annihilation **in the**
back-to-back limit.

α_s from Z-boson q_T distribution

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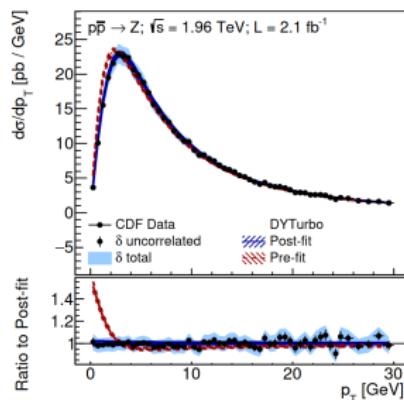


[UA2 Coll. ('92)]

compared with

[Altarelli et al. ('84)]

Tevatron ($\sqrt{s} = 1.96$ TeV)



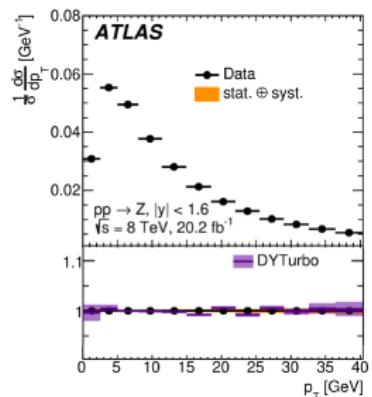
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LHC ($\sqrt{s} = 7 - 8$ TeV)



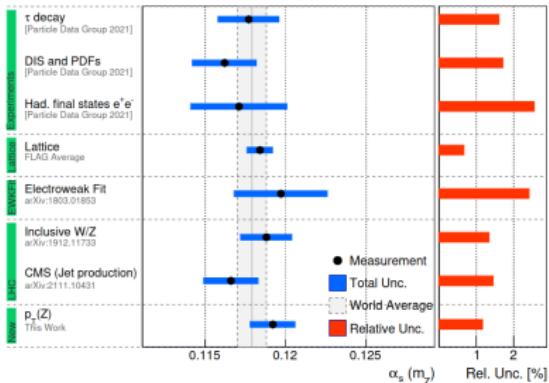
[ATLAS Coll. ('14)]

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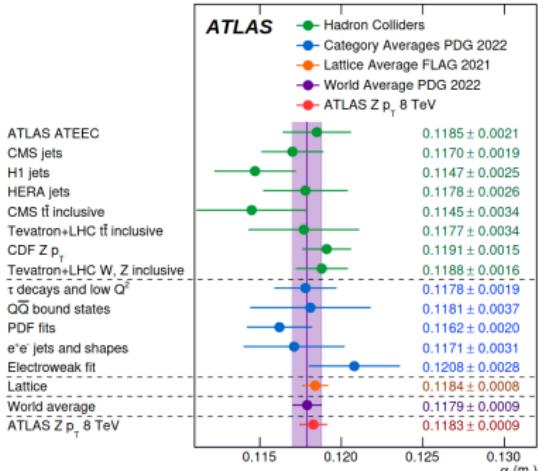
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$\alpha_S(m_Z)$ determination from Z-boson p_T at Tevatron [Camarda, G.F., Schötz ('22)]
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$\alpha_S(m_Z)$ determination from Z-boson p_T at LHC [ATLAS Coll. ('23)]
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Energy-Energy Correlation (EEC) function

$$e^+ + e^- \rightarrow h_i + h_j + X$$

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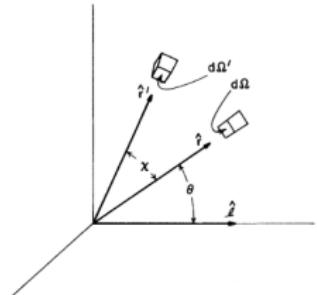


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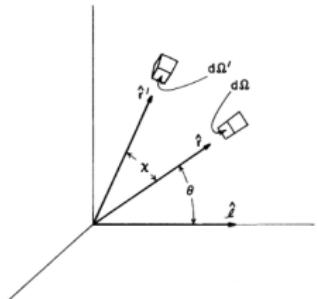


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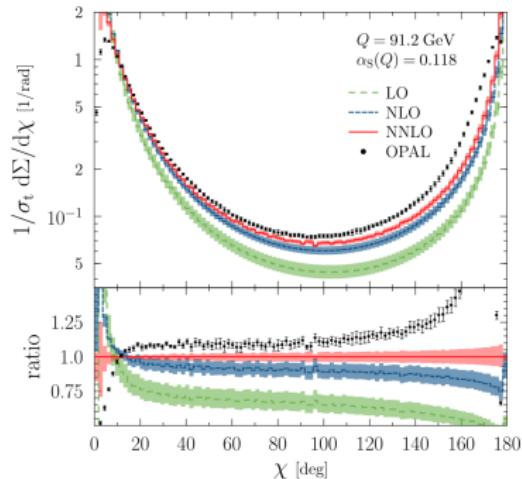
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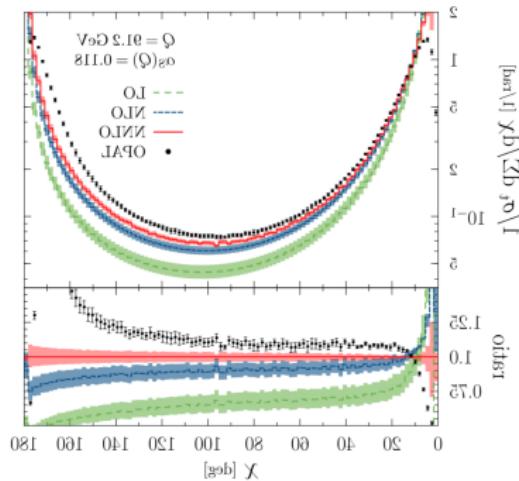


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EEC in the back-to-back limit

In the back-to-back limit $z \rightarrow 1$ ($\chi \rightarrow \pi$) we have

$$\mathcal{A}(z) = C_F \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{\ln(1-z)}{1-z} \right]_+ - \frac{3}{4} \left[\frac{1}{1-z} \right]_+ - \left(\frac{\pi^2}{12} - \frac{11}{8} \right) \delta(1-z) + \dots \right\}$$

- In general at any order α_S^n large infrared (Sudakov) logarithms appears

$$\alpha_S^n \left[\frac{\ln^k(1-z)}{1-z} \right]_+, \quad 0 \leq k \leq 2n-1$$

- Large logs spoils the convergence of fixed-order perturbative expansion. Reliable QCD predictions requires all order Sudakov resummation.
- In the back-to-back region the q_T between 2 hadrons is

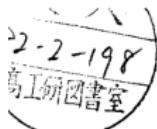
$$q_T^2 \simeq Q^2 \cos^2(\chi/2) = Q^2(1-z) \rightarrow 0$$

and EEC is closely related to Drell–Yan process at small- q_T .

- EEC function also contains large (single) logarithmic corrections of hard-collinear nature in the forward region $z \rightarrow 0$ (or $\chi \rightarrow 0$), $\ln^{n-1}(z)/z$, where hadrons have small angular separations [Dixon et al. ('19)].

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ECC can be written in terms of the unintegrated parton fragmentation functions $D_{h,q}(x, p_T, Q)$ [Kodaira, Trentadue ('81)].



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ABSTRACT

The energy-energy correlation at large angles in e^+e^- annihilation is calculated by resumming soft gluon contributions through two-loop level. The result is compared with experimental data. No agreement is obtained using a purely perturbative analysis. The relevance of nonperturbative effects at present energies is emphasized.

Using the unintegrated parton densities^{4,8} $D(Q^2, p_T, x)$ the energy-energy correlation is written as⁹ (see Fig. 1)

$$\frac{1}{\sigma_{TOT}} \frac{d\sum}{d^2 q_T} = \frac{1}{\sigma_{TOT}} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{A,B} \int x_A dx_A \int x_B dx_B \sum_{q,\bar{q}} \int d^2 p_T^A d^2 p_T^B d^2 p_T^S \\ \times \delta^2 \left(q_T^A - \frac{p_T^A}{x_A} - \frac{p_T^B}{x_B} - p_T^S \right) D_q^A \left(Q^2, p_T^A, x_A \right) D_{\bar{q}}^B \left(Q^2, p_T^B, x_B \right) S \left(Q^2, p_T^S \right) \quad (1)$$

$$Q^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial Q^2} D_q \left(Q^2, p_T, x \right) = \int \frac{dz}{z} \int dp_T^2 \left[\frac{\alpha_s(q_T^2)}{2\pi} + K \left(\frac{\alpha_s(q_T^2)}{2\pi} \right)^2 \right] \\ \times C_F \left(\frac{1+z^2}{1-z} \right)_+ \delta \left[z(1-z)Q^2 - q_T^2 \right] J_0 \left(\frac{bz}{z} \right) D_q \left(Q^2, \frac{b_T}{z}, \frac{x}{z} \right) \quad (2)$$

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with $L = \ln(Q^2 b^2 / b_0^2)$, $\alpha_S L \sim 1$, $b_0 = 2e^{-\gamma_E} \simeq 1.123$

LL ($\sim \alpha_S^n L^{n+1}$): $g^{(1)}$; NLL ($\sim \alpha_S^n L^n$): $g^{(2)}$, H_1 ; ... N^k LL ($\sim \alpha_S^n L^{n+k-1}$): $g^{(k+1)}$, H_k ;

- Introduction of **resummation scale** $\mu_Q \sim Q$ [Bozzi at al. ('03)]: variations give an estimate of the uncertainty from uncalculated logarithmic corrections.

$$\ln(Q^2 b^2) \rightarrow \ln(\mu_Q^2 b^2) + \ln(Q^2 / \mu_Q^2)$$

- Perturbative **unitarity constraint**: recover exactly the fixed-order total cross-section (upon integration on z)

$$\ln(Q^2 b^2 / b_0^2) \rightarrow \tilde{L} \equiv \ln(Q^2 b^2 / b_0^2 + 1) \Rightarrow \exp \{ \alpha_S^n \tilde{L}^k \} \Big|_{b=0} = 1 \Rightarrow \int_0^1 dz \left(\frac{d\sigma}{dz} \right) = \sigma_{\text{tot}};$$

- No explicit NP models: Landau singularity of α_S regularized using a *Minimal Prescription* without power-suppressed corrections [Catani et al.('96)], [Laenen et al.('00)].

EEC resummation: perturbative accuracy

- Coefficients $A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4, B_1, B_2$ and H_1 already known [Basham et al. ('78)], Kodaira, Trentadue ('82), de Florian, Grazzini ('04), Becher, Neubert ('11). We have determined the new coefficients B_3 and H_2 and H_3 in full QCD from results in SCET [Ebert, Mistlberger, Vita ('20)].
- We thus performed all-order resummation up to **N³LL** logarithmic accuracy **all orders** (i.e. up to $\exp(\sim \alpha_S^n L^{n-2})$) including hard-virtual contribution up to factor **N³LO**.
- Matching with **NNLO** corrections (i.e. up to $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^3)$) from results in [Del Duca et al. ('16)], [Tulipant, Kardos, Somogyi ('17)];
- Results up to **N³LO** (i.e. up to $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^3)$) recovered for the **total cross section** (from unitarity).
- Full three-loop ($\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^3)$) result also includes three-loop solution of the QCD coupling ($\beta_0 - \beta_3$).
- pQCD prediction fully determined from the knowledge of $\alpha_S(m_Z^2)$.

Asymptotic expansion

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Finite (remainder) function

Remainder function obtained subtracting the asymptotic expansion from the f.o. result:

$$\frac{1}{\sigma_{\text{tot}}} \frac{d\Sigma_{(\text{fin.})}}{dz} = \frac{1}{\sigma_{\text{tot}}} \frac{d\Sigma}{dz} - \left. \frac{1}{\sigma_{\text{tot}}} \frac{d\Sigma_{(\text{res.})}}{dz} \right|_{\text{f.o.}} = \mathcal{A}_{(\text{fin.})}(z) \frac{\alpha_S}{\pi} + \mathcal{B}_{(\text{fin.})}(z) \left(\frac{\alpha_S}{\pi} \right)^2 + \mathcal{C}_{(\text{fin.})}(z) \left(\frac{\alpha_S}{\pi} \right)^3 + \dots$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{(\text{fin.})}(z) = -\frac{2}{3z^5} \left(z^4 + z^3 - 3z^2 + 15z - 9 \right) \ln(1-z) - \frac{z^3 + z^2 + 7z - 6}{z^4},$$

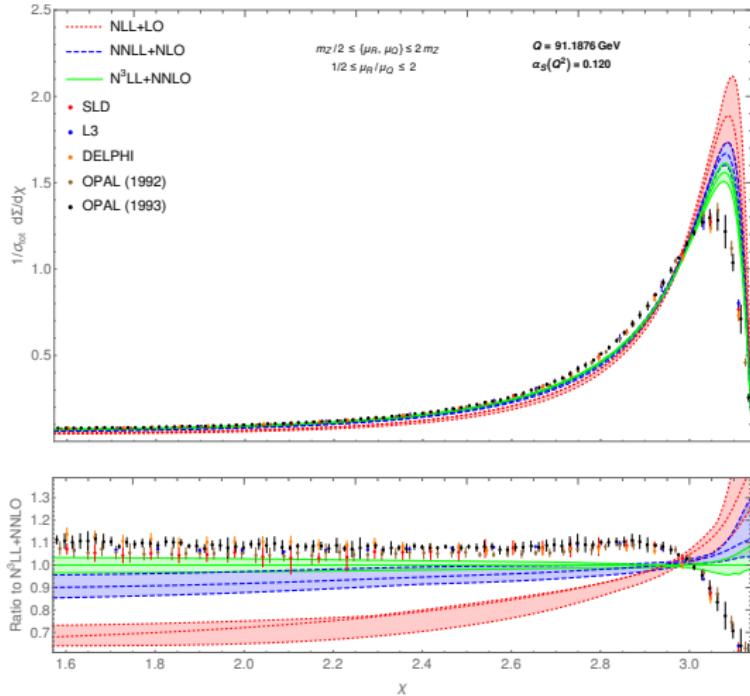
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{B}_{(\text{fin.})}(z) &= \frac{1080z^6 - 3240z^5 + 4164z^4 - 2924z^3 + 1134z^2 - 229z + 1}{9z(1-z)} z_3 + \dots \\ &+ \dots \end{aligned}$$

Third-order remainder function fitted with the following function:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{C}_{(\text{fin.})}(z) &\approx 15 \ln^5(1-z) + 130 \ln^4(1-z) + 408 \ln^3(1-z) + 544 \ln^2(1-z) + 308 \ln(1-z) + 226 \\ &+ 0.70545 \frac{\ln^2(z)}{z} - 15.494 \frac{\ln(z)}{z} + 39.568 \frac{1}{z}, \end{aligned}$$

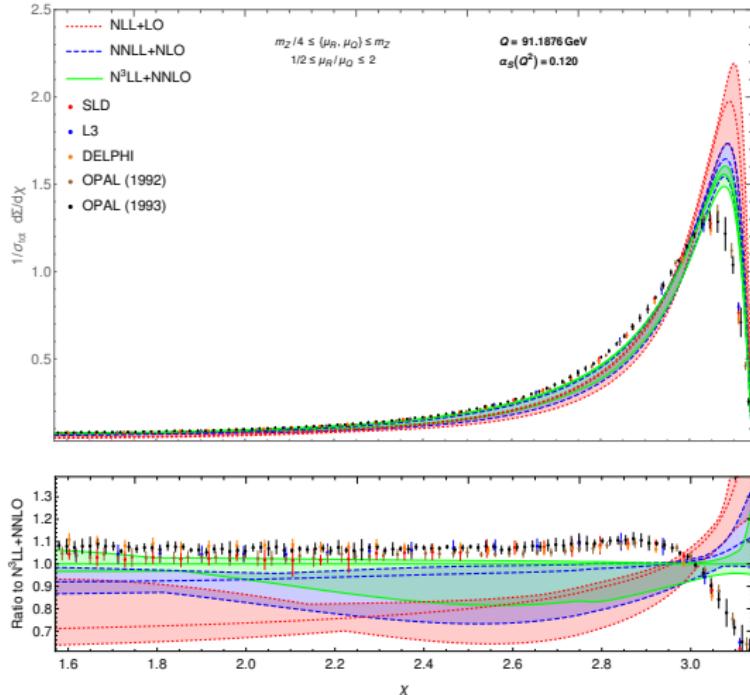
where the terms enhanced for $z \rightarrow 0$ known from analysis in [\[Dixon et al. \('19\)\]](#).
Similar results obtained with the unitarity constraint.

Numerical results: perturbative results



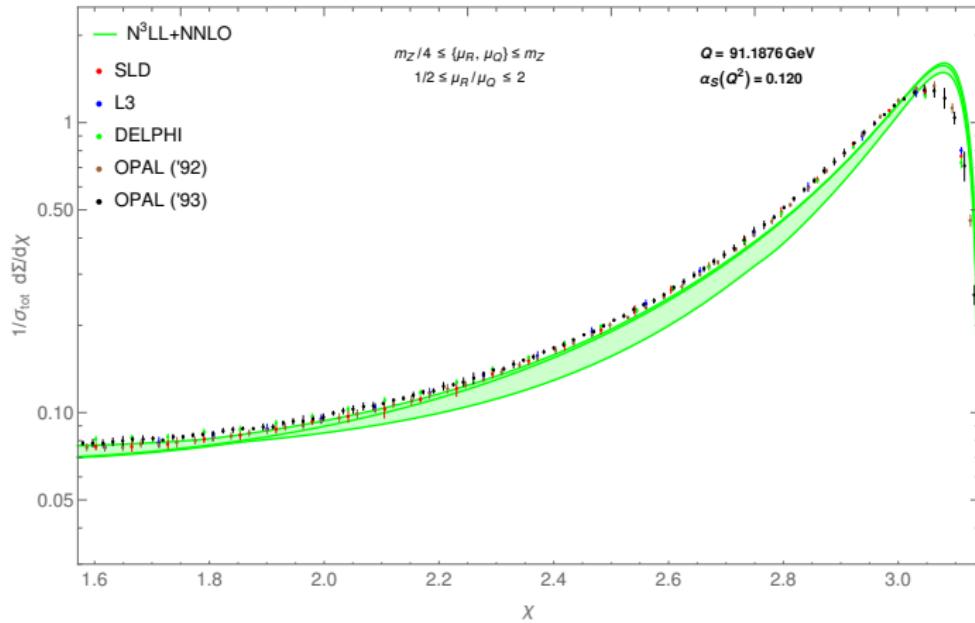
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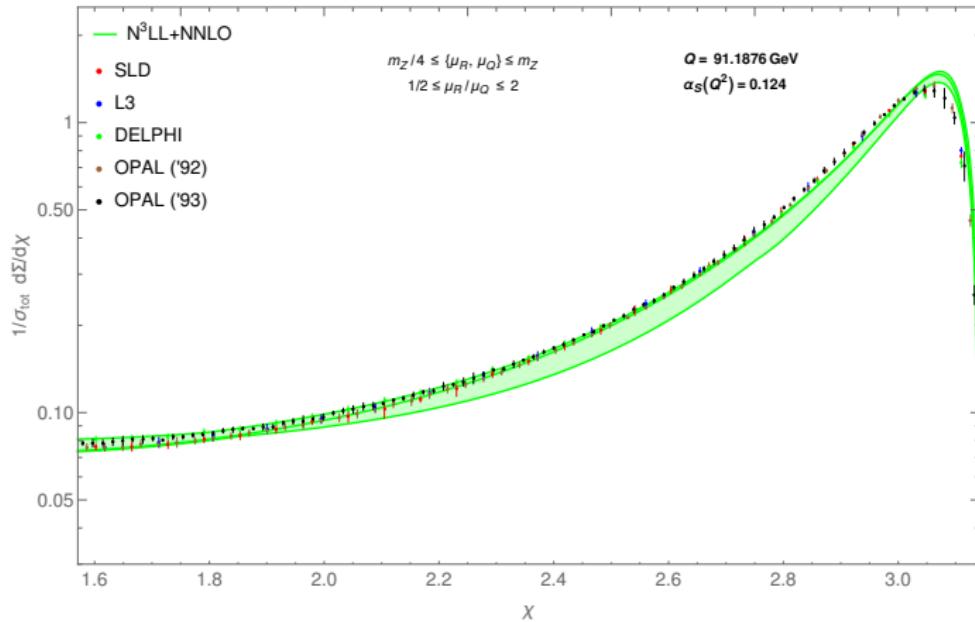
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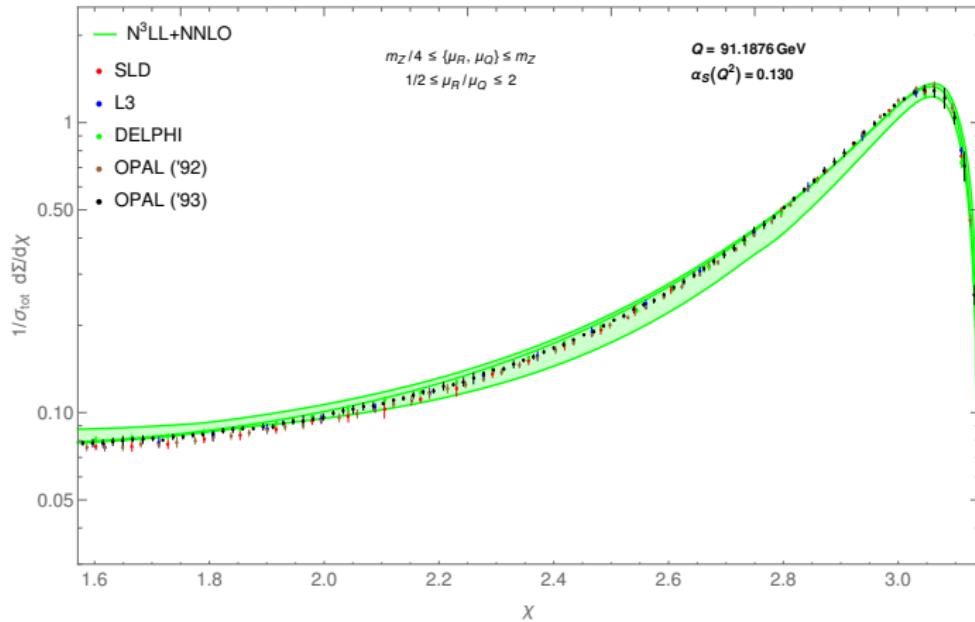
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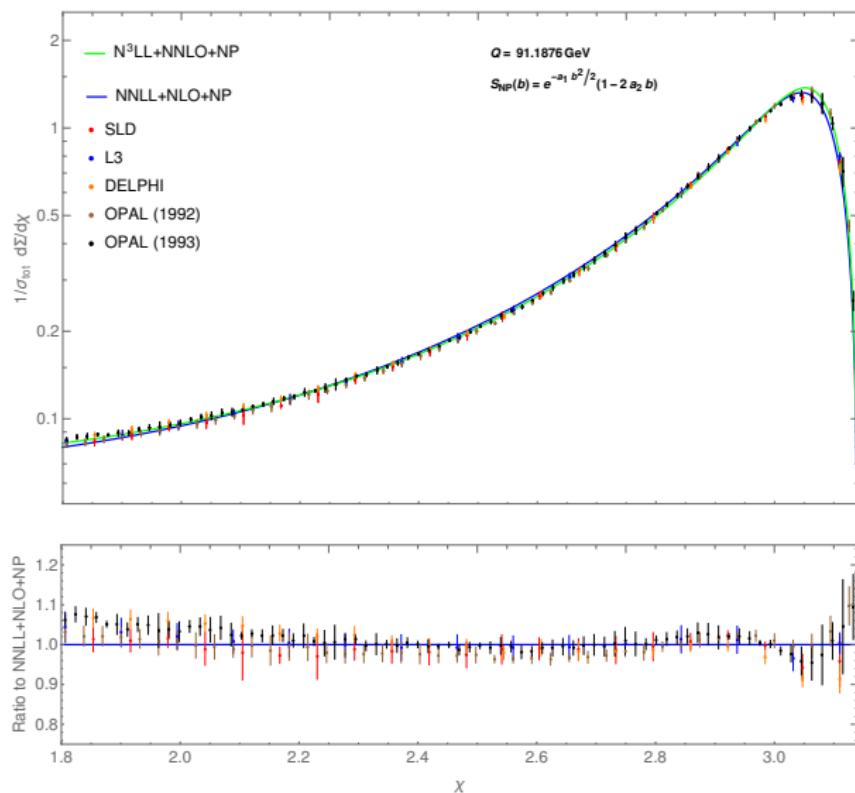
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Numerical results: perturbative results



The resummed EEC spectrum at $\sqrt{s} = 91.1876 \text{ GeV}$ at $N^3LL+NNLO$ in QCD with $\alpha_S(m_Z^2) = 0.130$, compared with LEP data from [OPAL Coll. ('92)]

Numerical results: non perturbative effects



Preliminary comparison at N³LL+NNLO and NNLL+NLO with NP effects parameterized by a form factor

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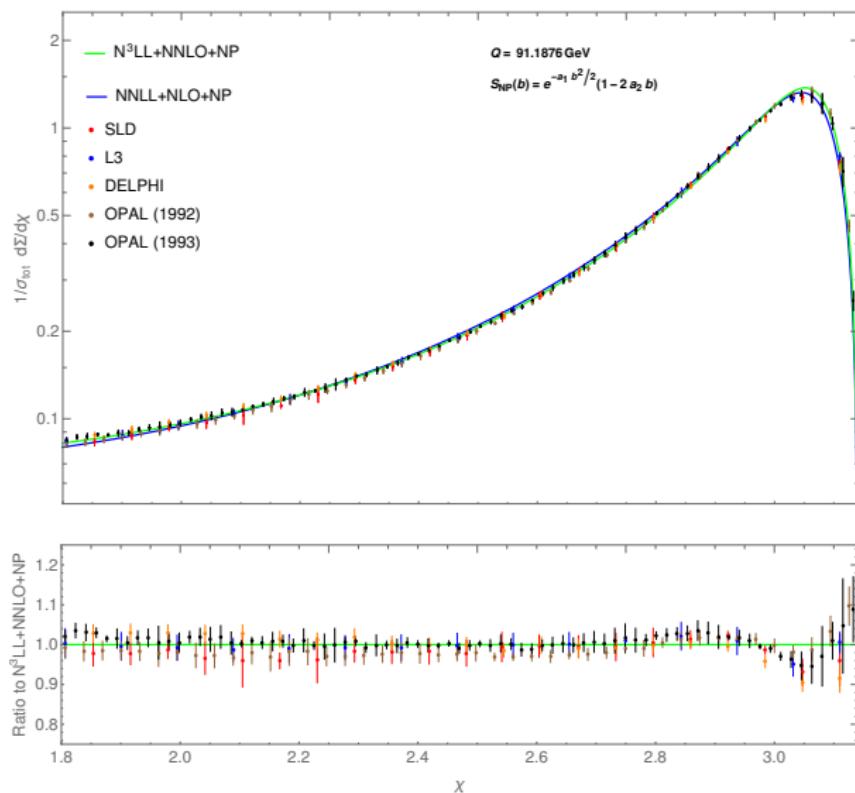
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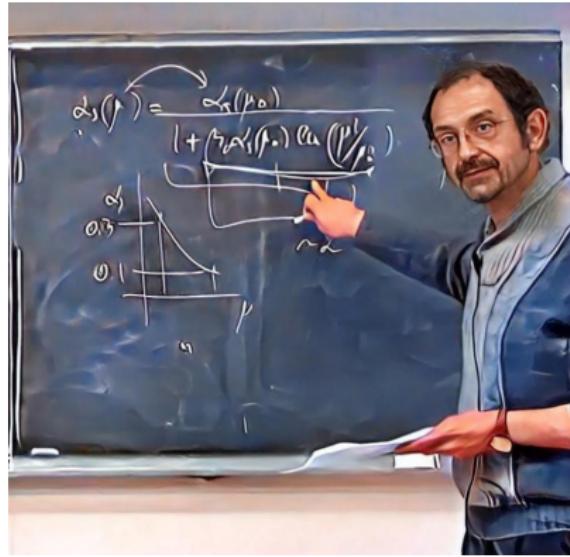
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Conclusions

- Semi-inclusive processes important to test pQCD predictions, extract information on NP QCD and determine the value of α_S .
- Presented resummed result for energy-energy-correlation in e^+e^- in the back-to-back region at full N^3LL accuracy (including N^3LO hard-virtual effects).
- Resummed results matched with the known NNLO results (important away the back-to-back region).
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- Extraction of $\alpha_S(m_Z)$ at N^3LO and NNLO accuracy consistent with the world average.



Thank you, Stefano!