

# **The next-to-leading approximation of BFKL for dijet production with large rapidity separation between jets at the LHC**

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# DGLAP

Gribov—Lipatov—Altarelli—Parisi—Dokshitzer

Bjorken limit

$$\sqrt{s} \rightarrow \infty; p_T \rightarrow \infty; x \sim \frac{p_T}{\sqrt{s}} \sim 1$$

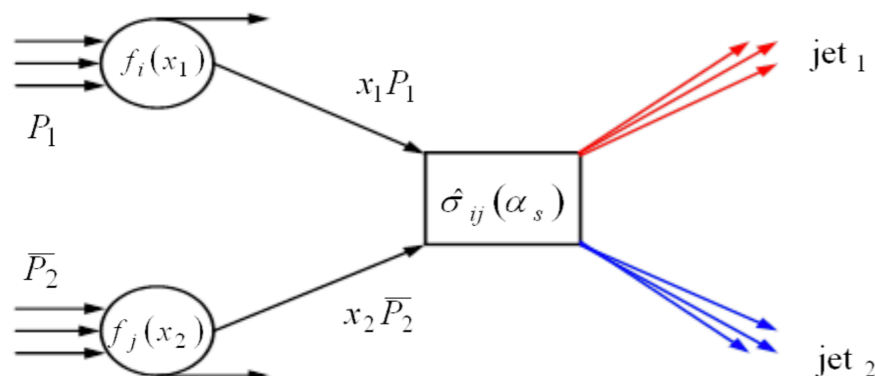
$$k_{Tn} \gg k_{Tn-1} \gg \dots \gg k_{T2} \gg k_{T1}$$

$$[\alpha_s \log Q^2]^n$$

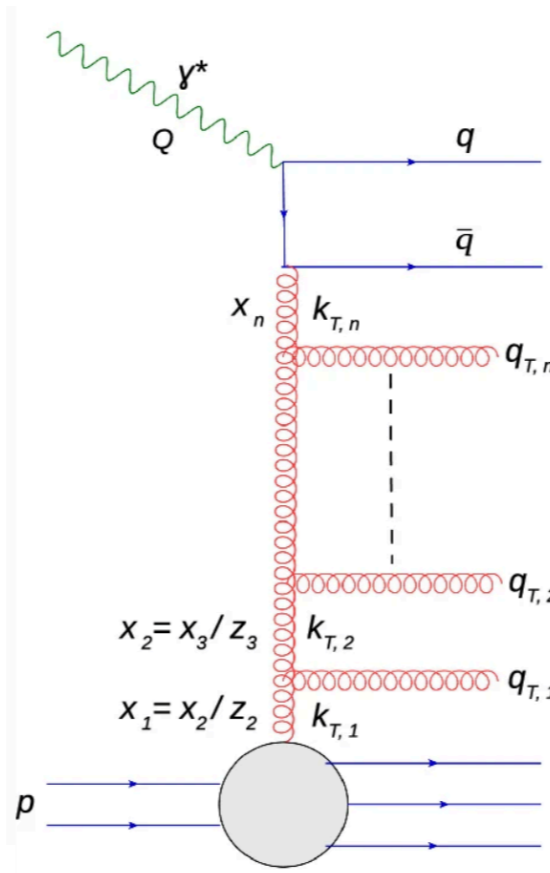
DGLAP evolution

$$\frac{df_i}{d \log \mu^2} = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} [P_{qq} \otimes f_i + P_{qg} \otimes f_g]$$

$$\frac{df_g}{d \log \mu^2} = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} [P_{gq} \otimes \sum_i f_i + P_{gg} \otimes f_g]$$



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# BFKL

Balitsky—Fadin—Kuraev—Lipatov

BFKL kinematics (LLA): Regge-Gribov limit

$$\sqrt{s} \rightarrow \infty; p_T - \text{finite}; x \sim \frac{p_T}{\sqrt{s}} \rightarrow 0;$$

$$c \quad p_T \gg \Lambda_{QCD}$$

$$x_n \gg x_{n-1} \gg \dots \gg x_2 \gg x_1$$

$$k_{Tn} \sim k_{Tn-1} \sim \dots \sim k_{T2} \sim k_{T1}$$

BFKL evolution

$$[\alpha_s \log(1/x)]^n$$

$$\frac{\partial f_g}{\partial \log 1/x} = K \otimes f_g = \omega f_g \Rightarrow$$

$$f_g \sim \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^\omega \sim \left(\frac{s}{s_0}\right)^\omega \sim e^{\omega \Delta y}$$

$$\omega_{\max} = \alpha_P(0) - 1$$

LL BFKL provides too large intercept

$$\alpha_P^{LL}(0) \approx 1.5$$

$$\text{NLL BFKL: } \alpha_P^{NLL} \approx 1.2$$

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# Obstacles in search of BFKL

- NLL BFKL methods of calculation are developed only for part of the measured observables
- Absence of **PURE** DGLAP based calculations. The colour coherence corrections are often included to Monte Carlo (MC) DGLAP-based generators such as PYTHIA8 and HERWIG

## STRATEGY:

- Perform comparison of NLL BFKL calculations with measurements where it is possible
- Measure the existing observables at all available in experiments energies
- Develop calculations based on NLL BFKL for all existing observables
- Look for new observables which can be calculated at NLL BFKL and measured

# Mueller-Navelet dijets

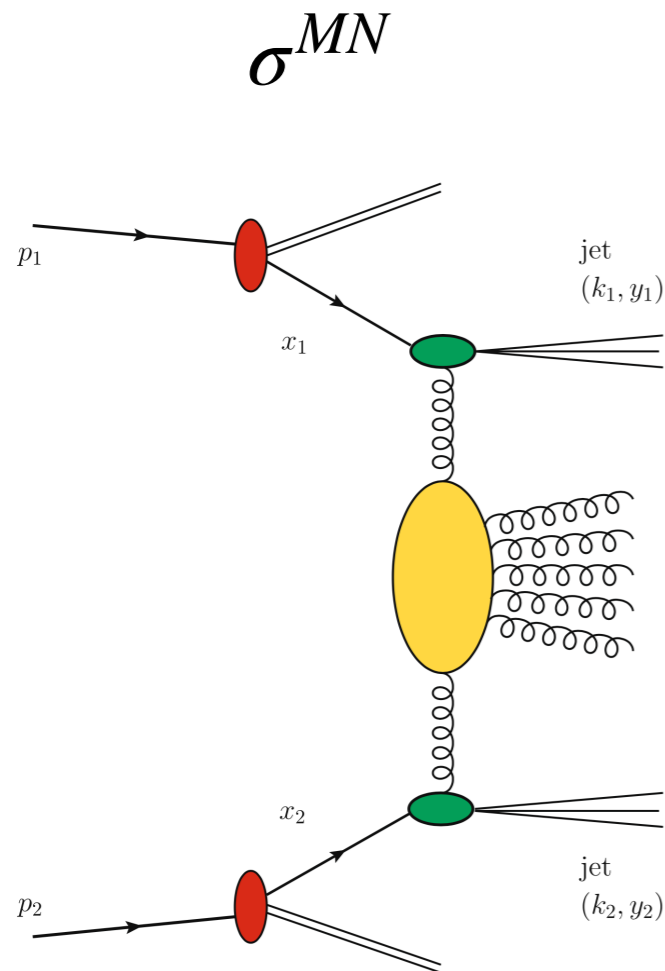
$$\sqrt{s} = 2.76 \text{ TeV}$$

A. H. Mueller and H. Navelet [[Nucl. Phys. B 282 \(1987\) 727](#)]

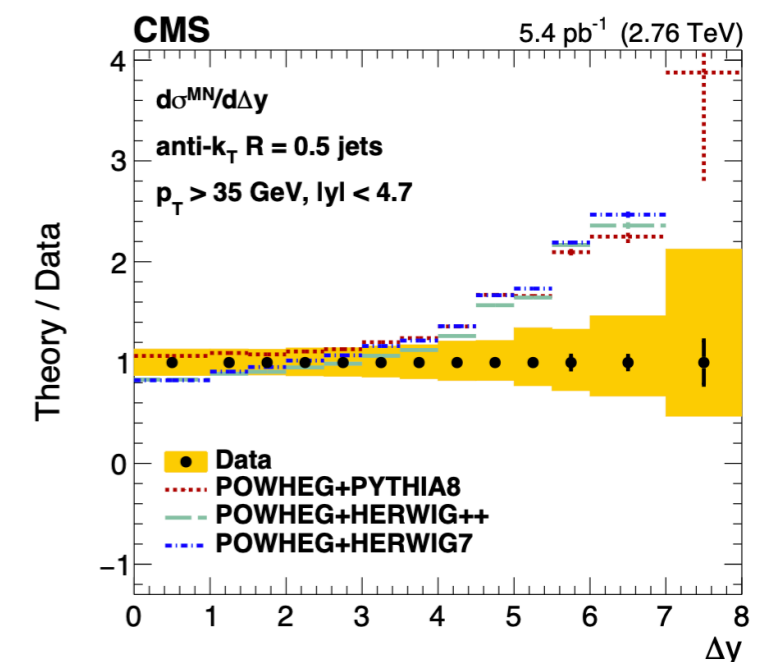
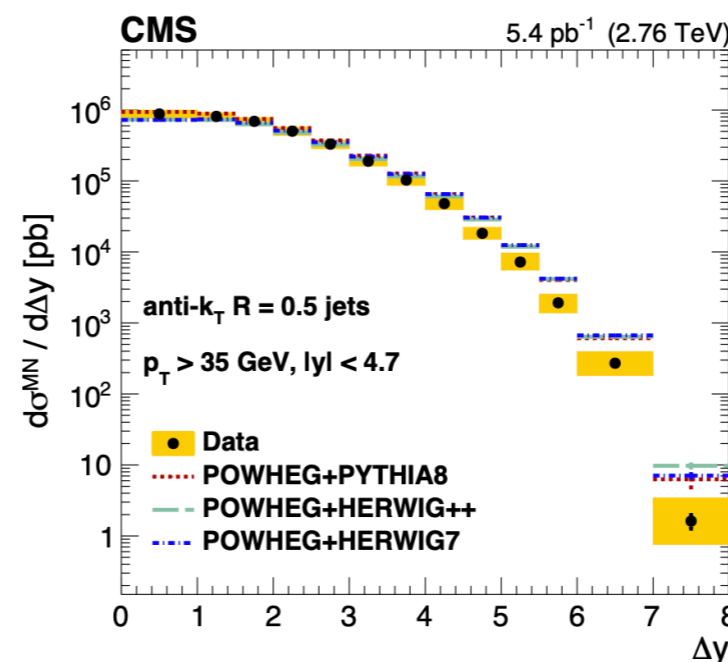
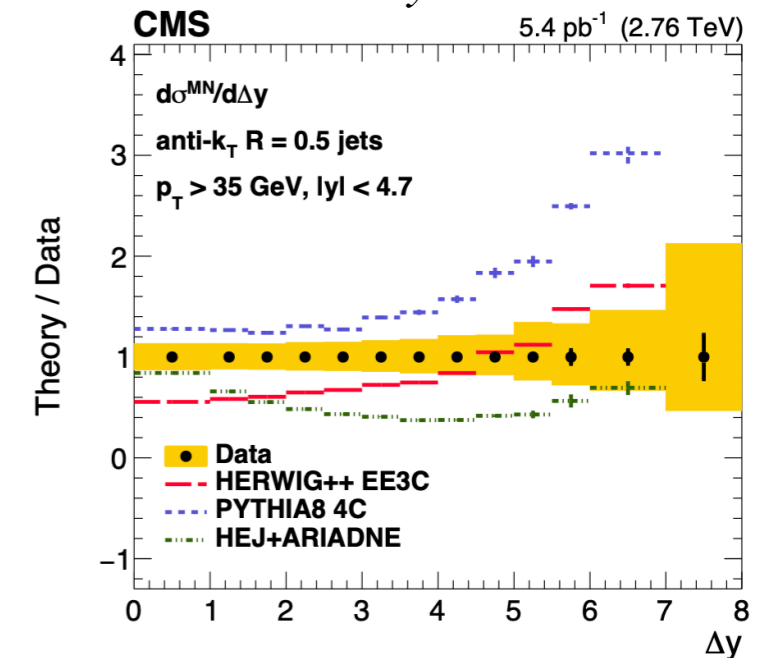
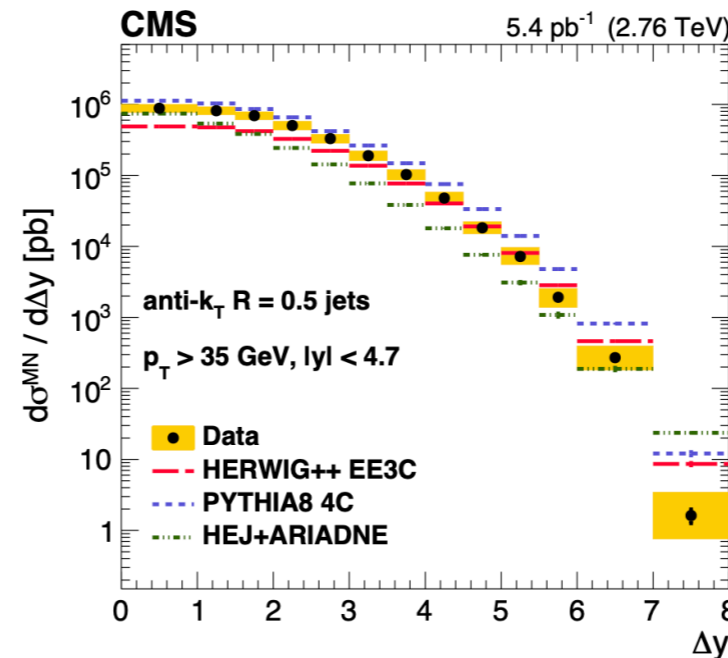
CMS [[JHEP03\(2022\)189](#)]

$$p_{T\text{min}} = 35 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\Delta y < 9.4$$



MN jet pair is a pair of jets with  $p_T$  above  $p_{T\text{min}}$  most separated in rapidity  $\Delta y = |y_1 - y_2|$



# NLL BFKL for MN dijets (1)

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dy_1 dy_2 d^2\vec{p}_{T1} d^2\vec{p}_{T2}} = \sum_{ij} \int f_i(x_1, \mu_F) f_j(x_2, \mu_F) \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{ij}(x_1 x_2 s, \mu_F, \mu_R)}{dy_1 dy_2 d^2\vec{p}_{T1} d^2\vec{p}_{T2}}$$

Large  $\Delta y$ :  $f^{\text{eff}}(x, \mu_F) = \frac{C_A}{C_F} f_g(x, \mu_F) + \sum_{i=q, \bar{q}} f_i(x, \mu_F)$

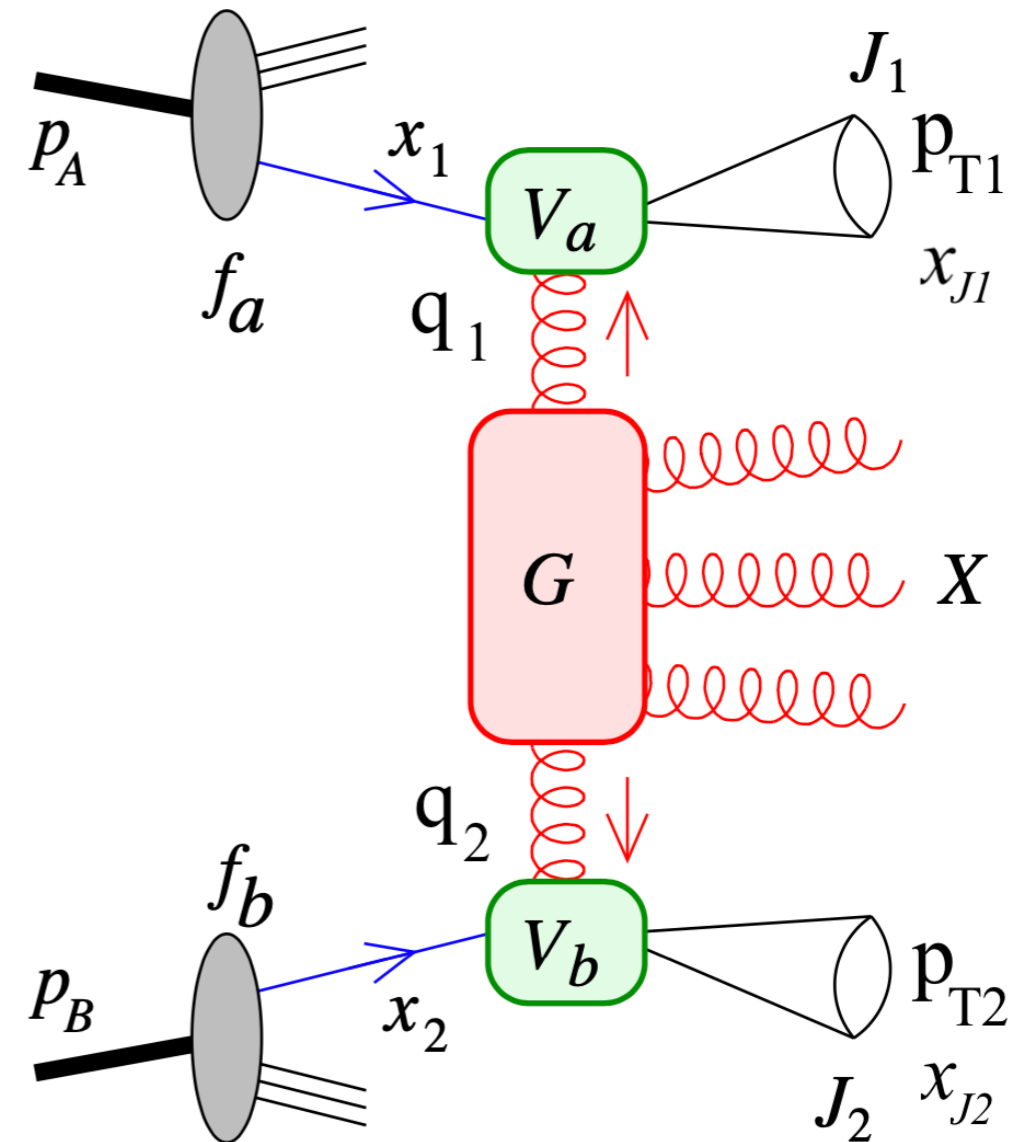
NLL BFKL

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{gg}}{dy_1 dy_2 d^2\vec{p}_{T1} d^2\vec{p}_{T2}} &= \frac{x_{J1} x_{J2}}{(2\pi)^2} \int \frac{d^2\vec{q}_1}{\vec{q}_1^2} V_1(\vec{q}_1, x_1, \vec{p}_{T1}, x_{J1}) \\ &\times \int \frac{d^2\vec{q}_2}{\vec{q}_2^2} V_2(-\vec{q}_2, x_2, \vec{p}_{T2}, x_{J2}) \\ &\times \int_C \frac{d\omega}{2\pi i} \left( \frac{x_1 x_2 s}{s_0} \right)^\omega G_\omega(\vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2), \end{aligned}$$

$$\Phi(\vec{q}, \vec{p}_T, x_J, \omega) \equiv \sum_i \int_0^1 dx f_i(x, \mu_F) \left( \frac{x}{x_J} \right)^\omega V_i(\vec{q}, x, \vec{p}_T, x_J),$$

$$\Phi_{1,2}(n, \nu, \vec{p}_{T1,2}, x_{J1,2}, \omega) = \alpha_s(\mu_R) [c_{1,2}(n, \nu) + \bar{\alpha}_s(\mu_R) c_{1,2}^{(1)}(n, \nu)]$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dy_1 dy_2 d|\vec{p}_{T1}| d|\vec{p}_{T2}| d\phi_1 d\phi_2} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \left[ \mathcal{E}_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2 \cos(n\phi) \mathcal{E}_n \right]$$



# NLL BFKL for MN dijets

## NLL BFKL

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dy_1 dy_2 d|\vec{p}_{T1}| d|\vec{p}_{T2}| d\phi_1 d\phi_2} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \left[ \mathcal{C}_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2 \cos(n\phi) \mathcal{C}_n \right]$$

$$\mathcal{C}_n = \frac{x_{J1} x_{J2}}{|\vec{p}_{T1}| |\vec{p}_{T2}|} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\nu e^{(Y-Y_0) \bar{\alpha}_s(\mu_R) \chi(n, \nu)} \alpha_s^2(\mu_R) c_1(n, \nu) c_1(n, \nu) \left[ 1 + \bar{\alpha}_s(\mu_R) \left( \frac{\bar{c}_1^{(1)}(n, \nu)}{c_1(n, \nu)} + \frac{\bar{c}_2^{(1)}(n, \nu)}{c_2(n, \nu)} \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. + \frac{\beta_0}{2N_c} \left( \frac{5}{3} + \ln \frac{\mu_R^2}{|\vec{p}_{T1}| |\vec{p}_{T2}|} \right) \right) \right] + \bar{\alpha}_s^2(\mu_r) \ln \frac{x_{J1} x_{J2} s}{s_0} \left\{ \bar{\chi}(n, \nu) + \frac{\beta_0}{4N_c} \chi(n, \nu) \left( -\frac{\chi(n, \nu)}{2} + \frac{5}{3} + \ln \frac{\mu_R^2}{|\vec{p}_{T1}| |\vec{p}_{T2}|} \right) \right\}$$

where

$$Y = y_1 - y_2 = \ln \frac{x_{J1} x_{J2} s}{|\vec{p}_{T1}| |\vec{p}_{T2}|} \quad \text{and} \quad Y_0 = \ln \frac{s_0}{|\vec{p}_{T1}| |\vec{p}_{T2}|}$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dy_1 dy_2 d|\vec{p}_{T1}| d|\vec{p}_{T2}|} = \mathcal{C}_0$$

- **NLL BFKL contains both renormalization scheme and renormalization scale ambiguities**

# BFKLP prescription (1)

This is the generalisation of Brodsky-Lepage-Mackenzie (BLM) optimal scale setting procedure [[Phys. Rev. D 28 \(1983\) 229](#)].

Brodsky-Fadin-Kim-Lipatov-Pivovarov (BFKLP) [[JETP Lett. 70 \(1999\) 155-160](#)]

The ambiguity is related to large running coupling effects and non-Abelian nature of the QCD

⇒ one needs to use physical renormalization scheme, in which the non-Abelian contributions presented in the first order, for example physical momentum subtraction scheme (**MOM**).

**MOM** and  $\overline{\text{MS}}$  schemes are related:

$$\alpha_s^{\overline{\text{MS}}} = \alpha_s^{\text{MOM}} \left( 1 + \frac{\alpha_s^{\text{MOM}}}{\pi} (T^\beta + T^{\text{conf}}) \right),$$

$$T^\beta = -\frac{\beta_0}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{2}{3} I \right),$$

$$T^{\text{conf}} = \frac{C_A}{8} \left[ \frac{17}{2} I + \frac{3}{2} (I - 1) \xi + \left( 1 - \frac{1}{3} I \right) \xi^2 - \frac{1}{6} \xi^3 \right], \quad \text{where } I \approx 2.3439, \xi - \text{gauge parameter}$$

## BFKLP prescription (2)

Transform to MOM scheme, and separate conformal ( $\beta_0$ -independent) and non-conformal ( $\beta_0$ -dependent) parts:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}_n^{\text{MOM}} = & \frac{x_{J1}x_{J2}}{|\vec{p}_{T1}||\vec{p}_{T2}|} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\nu e^{(Y-Y_0)\bar{\alpha}_s^{\text{MOM}}(\mu_R)\chi(n,\nu)} (\alpha_s^{\text{MOM}}(\mu_R))^2 c_1(n,\nu)c_2(n,\nu) \\ & \times \left[ 1 + \bar{\alpha}_s(\mu_R) \left( \frac{\bar{c}_1^{(1)}(n,\nu)}{c_1(n,\nu)} + \frac{\bar{c}_2^{(1)}(n,\nu)}{c_2(n,\nu)} + \frac{2T^{\text{conf}}}{N_c} + \frac{\beta_0}{2N_c} \left( \frac{5}{3} + \ln \frac{\mu_R^2}{|\vec{p}_{T1}||\vec{p}_{T2}|} - 2 \left( 1 + \frac{2}{3}I \right) \right) \right) \right] \\ & + (\bar{\alpha}_s^{\text{MOM}}(\mu_R))^2 \ln \frac{x_{J1}x_{J2}s}{s_0} \left\{ \bar{\chi}(n,\nu) + \frac{T^{\text{conf}}}{N_c} \chi(n,\nu) + \frac{\beta_0}{4N_c} \chi(n,\nu) \left( -\frac{\chi(n,\nu)}{2} + \frac{5}{3} + \ln \frac{\mu_R^2}{|\vec{p}_{T1}||\vec{p}_{T2}|} - 2 \left( 1 + \frac{2}{3}I \right) \right) \right\} \Big], \end{aligned}$$

choose  $\mu_R$  scale so that the non-conformal part vanishes

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}_n^\beta = & \frac{x_{J1}x_{J2}}{|\vec{p}_{T1}||\vec{p}_{T2}|} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\nu e^{(Y-Y_0)\bar{\alpha}_s^{\text{MOM}}(\mu^{\text{BFKLP}})\chi(n,\nu)} (\alpha_s^{\text{MOM}}(\mu^{\text{BFKLP}}))^3 c_1(n,\nu)c_2(n,\nu) \\ & \times \frac{\beta_0}{2N_c} \left[ \frac{5}{3} + \ln \frac{(\mu^{\text{BFKLP}})^2}{|\vec{p}_{T1}||\vec{p}_{T2}|} - 2 \left( 1 + \frac{2}{3}I \right) + \bar{\alpha}_s^{\text{MOM}}(\mu^{\text{BFKLP}}) \ln \frac{x_{J1}x_{J2}s}{s_0} \frac{\chi(n,\nu)}{2} \right. \\ & \left. \times \left( -\frac{\chi(n,\nu)}{2} + \frac{5}{3} + \ln \frac{(\mu^{\text{BFKLP}})^2}{|\vec{p}_{T1}||\vec{p}_{T2}|} - 2 \left( 1 + \frac{2}{3}I \right) \right) \right] = 0, \end{aligned}$$



# Approximate BFKLP scale

Case a:

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$$(\mu_a^{\text{BFKLP}})^2 = |\vec{p}_{T1}| |\vec{p}_{T2}| \exp \left[ 2 \left( 1 + \frac{2}{3} I \right) - \frac{5}{3} \right],$$

$$\mathcal{C}_a^{\text{BFKLP}} = \frac{x_{J1} x_{J2}}{|\vec{p}_{T1}| |\vec{p}_{T2}|} \times \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\nu e^{(Y-Y_0) \bar{\alpha}_s^{\text{MOM}}(\mu_a^{\text{BFKLP}}) \left[ \chi(n, \nu) + \bar{\alpha}_s^{\text{MOM}}(\mu_a^{\text{BFKLP}}) (\bar{\chi}(n, \nu) + \frac{T^{\text{conf}}}{N_c} \chi(n, \nu) - \frac{\beta_0}{8N_c} \chi^2(n, \nu)) \right]}$$

$$\times (\alpha_s^{\text{MOM}}(\mu_a^{\text{BFKLP}}))^2 c_1(n, \nu) c_2(n, \nu) \times \left[ 1 + \bar{\alpha}_s^{\text{MOM}}(\mu_a^{\text{BFKLP}}) \left\{ \frac{\bar{c}_1^{(1)}(n, \nu)}{c_1(n, \nu)} + \frac{\bar{c}_2^{(1)}(n, \nu)}{c_2(n, \nu)} + \frac{2T^{\text{conf}}}{N_c} \right\} \right]$$

Case b:

$$(\mu_b^{\text{BFKLP}})^2 = |\vec{p}_{T1}| |\vec{p}_{T2}| \exp \left[ 2 \left( 1 + \frac{2}{3} I \right) - \frac{5}{3} + \frac{1}{2} \chi(n, \nu) \right],$$

$$\mathcal{C}_b^{\text{BFKLP}} = \frac{x_{J1} x_{J2}}{|\vec{p}_{T1}| |\vec{p}_{T2}|} \times \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\nu e^{(Y-Y_0) \bar{\alpha}_s^{\text{MOM}}(\mu_b^{\text{BFKLP}}) \left[ \chi(n, \nu) + \bar{\alpha}_s^{\text{MOM}}(\mu_b^{\text{BFKLP}}) (\bar{\chi}(n, \nu) + \frac{T^{\text{conf}}}{N_c} \chi(n, \nu)) \right]}$$

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Case (a) better reproduce exact  $\mu^{\text{BFKLP}}$  settings for cross section  $\mathcal{C}_0$

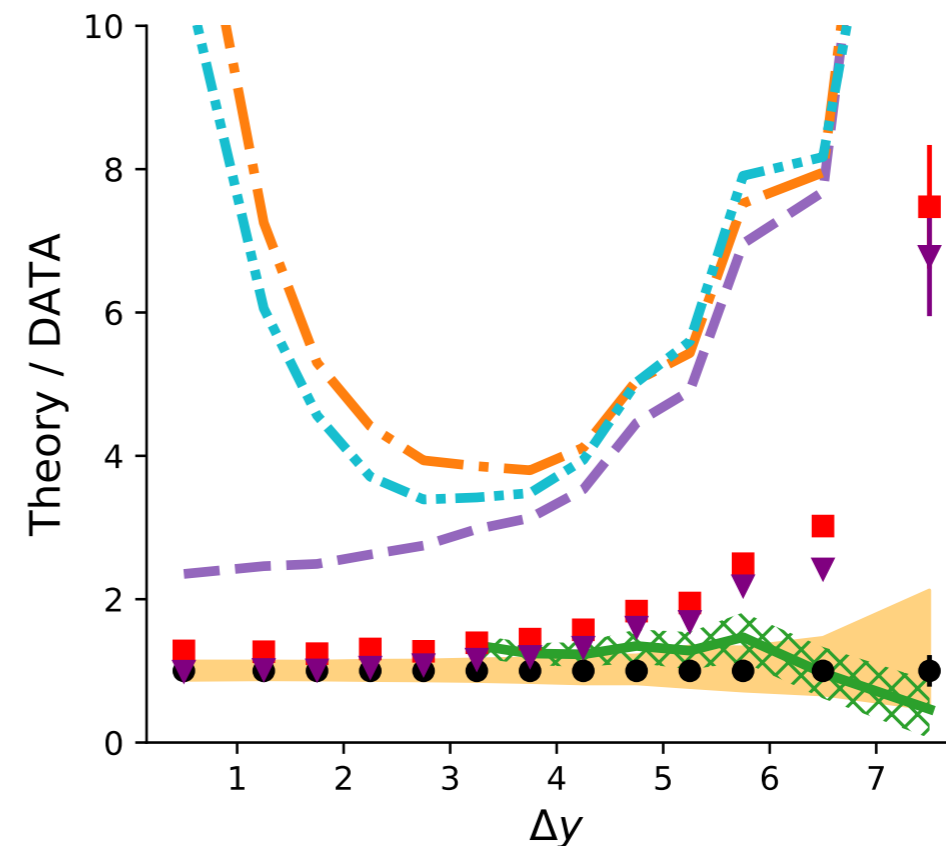
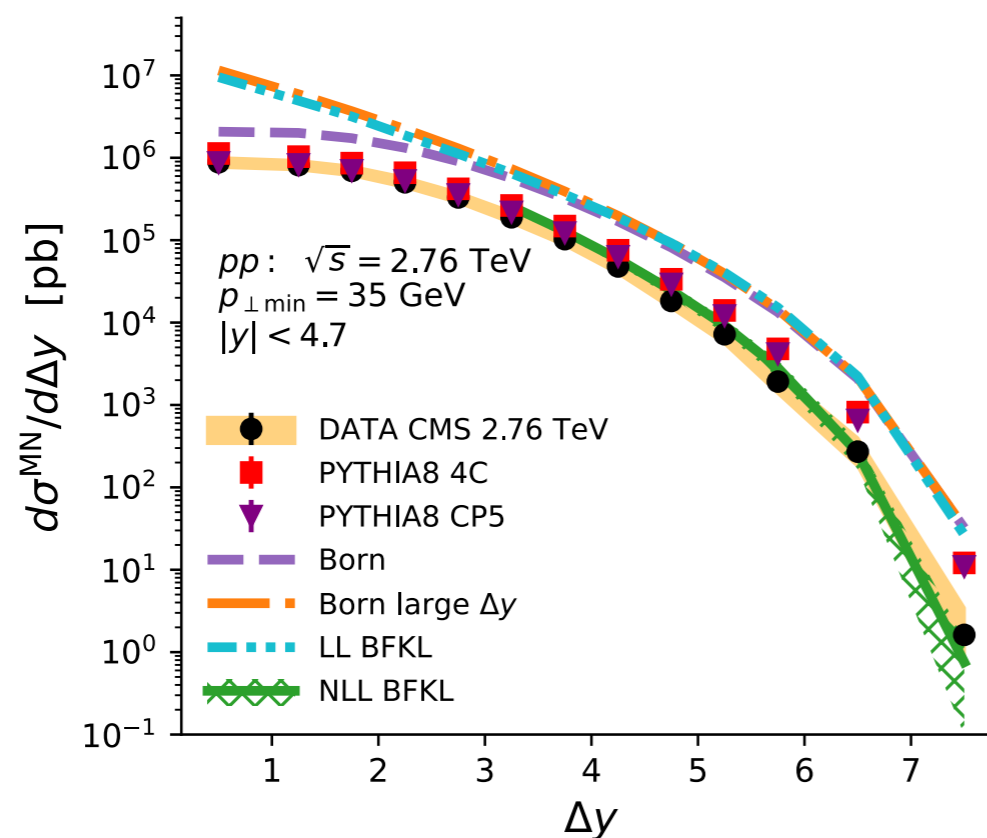
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Case (a)  $\Rightarrow$  estimate of MN x-section; Case (a) - Case(b)  $\Rightarrow$  estimate of theoretical uncertainty

# First comparison: NLL BFKL for MN dijets @ 2.76 TeV

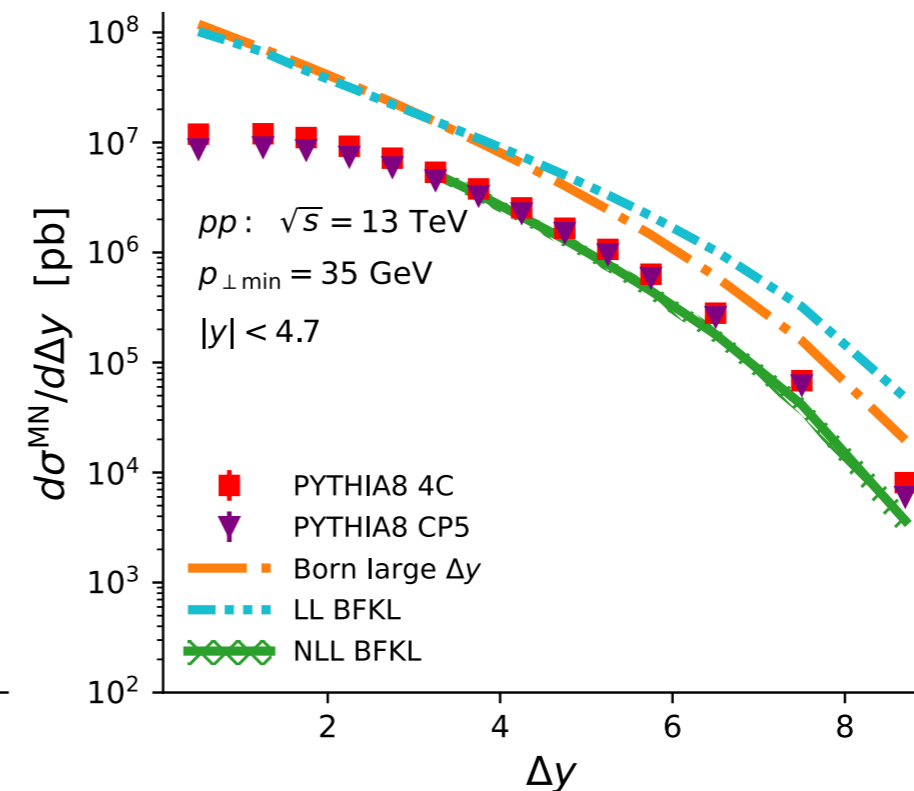
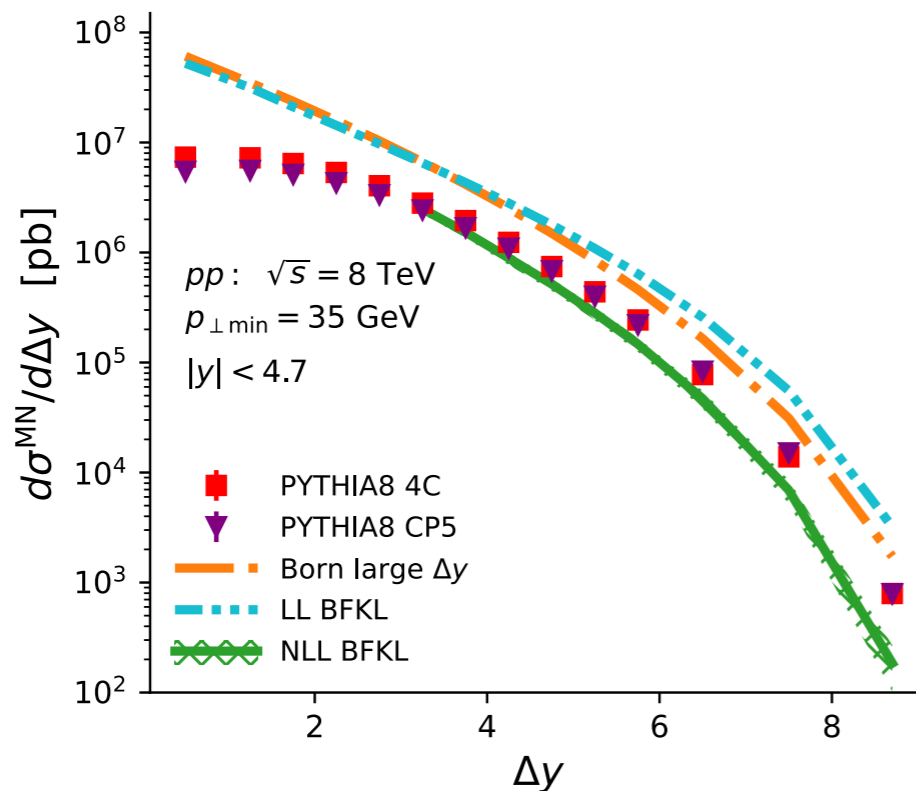
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- NLL BFKL agrees with the CMS data at large  $\Delta y$
- All other calculations based on LO+LL DGLAP overestimates the CMS data at large  $\Delta y$  (Born, PYTHIA8, HERWIG [[JHEP03\(2022\)189](#)])
- NLO+LL DGLAP POWHEG+PYTHIA8/HERWIG overestimates the CMS data at large  $\Delta y$  [[JHEP03\(2022\)189](#)].

# NLL BFKL for MN dijets @ 8 and 13 TeV

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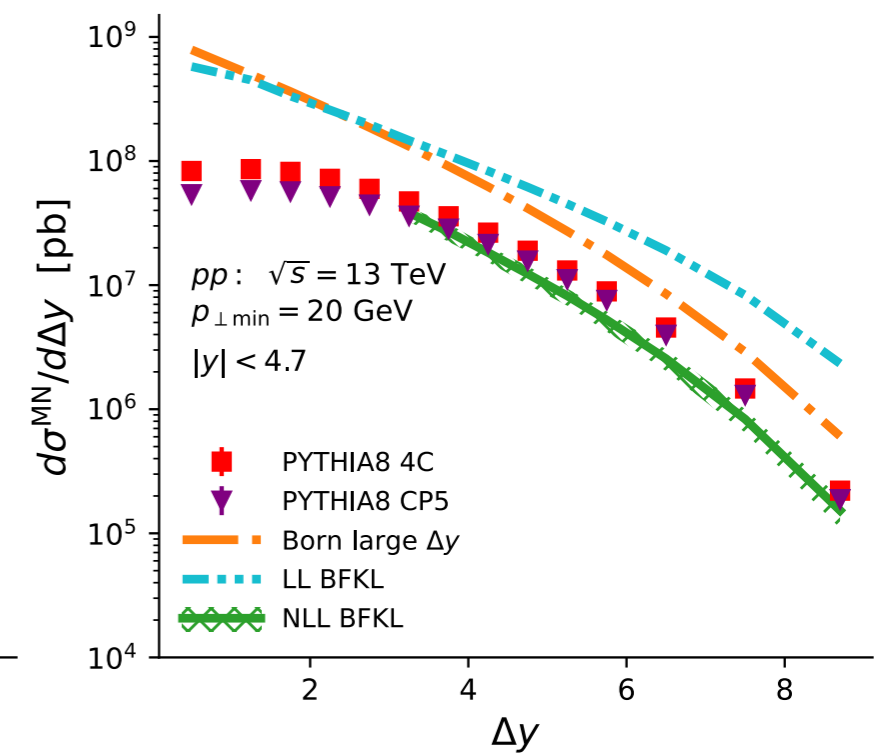
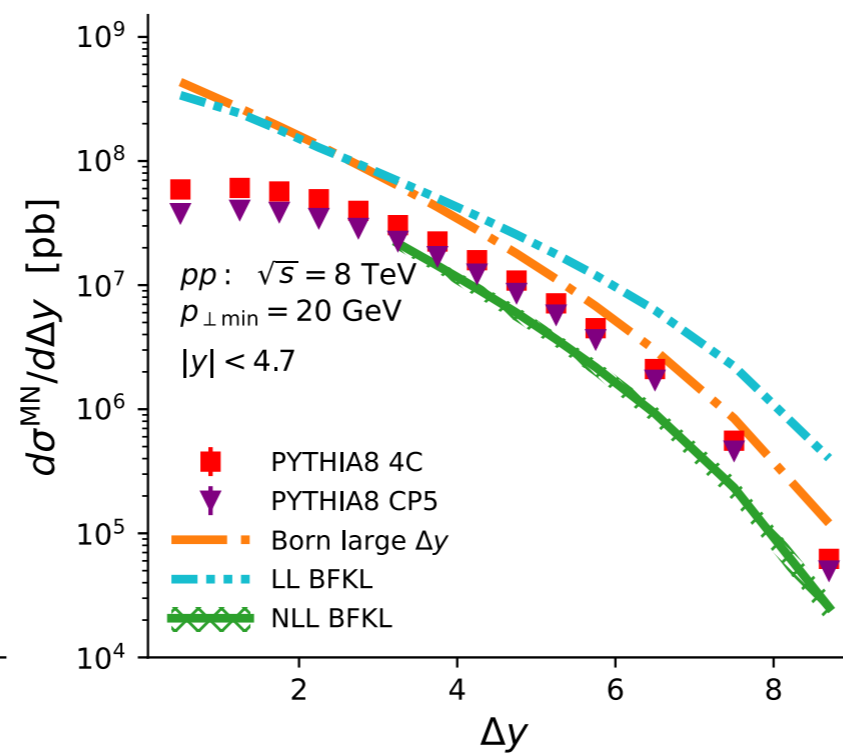
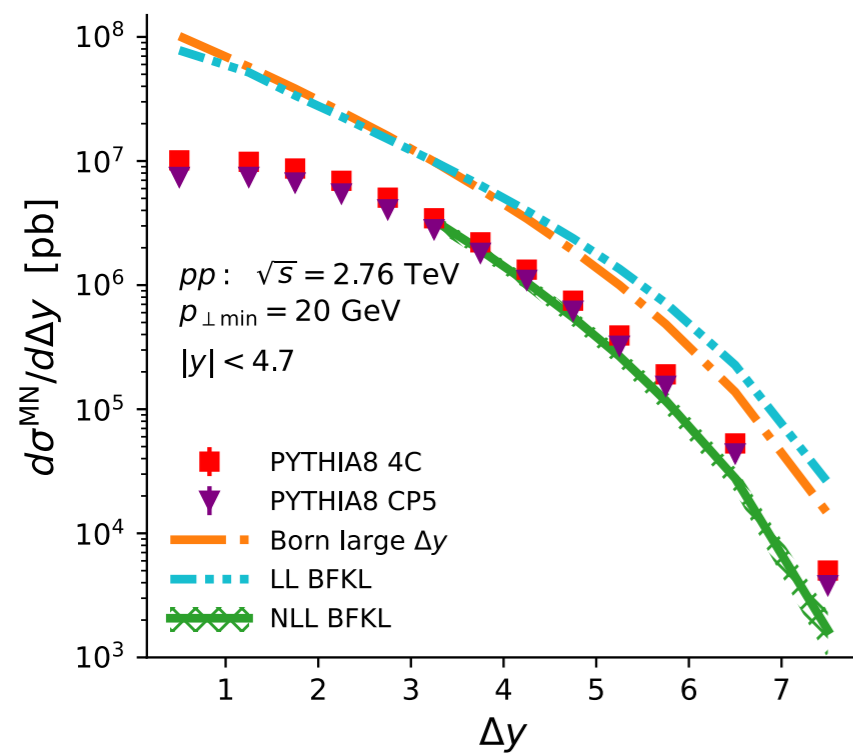


- NLL BFKL predicts lowest values of MN x-section at large  $\Delta y$
- Difference between Born and LL BFKL rises with  $\sqrt{s}$  and  $\Delta y \Rightarrow$  expected BFKL effects become stronger with increasing  $\sqrt{s}$  and  $\Delta y$

# NLL BFKL for MN dijets with lower $p_{\perp \min} = 20 \text{ GeV}$

## @ 2.76, 8 and 13 TeV

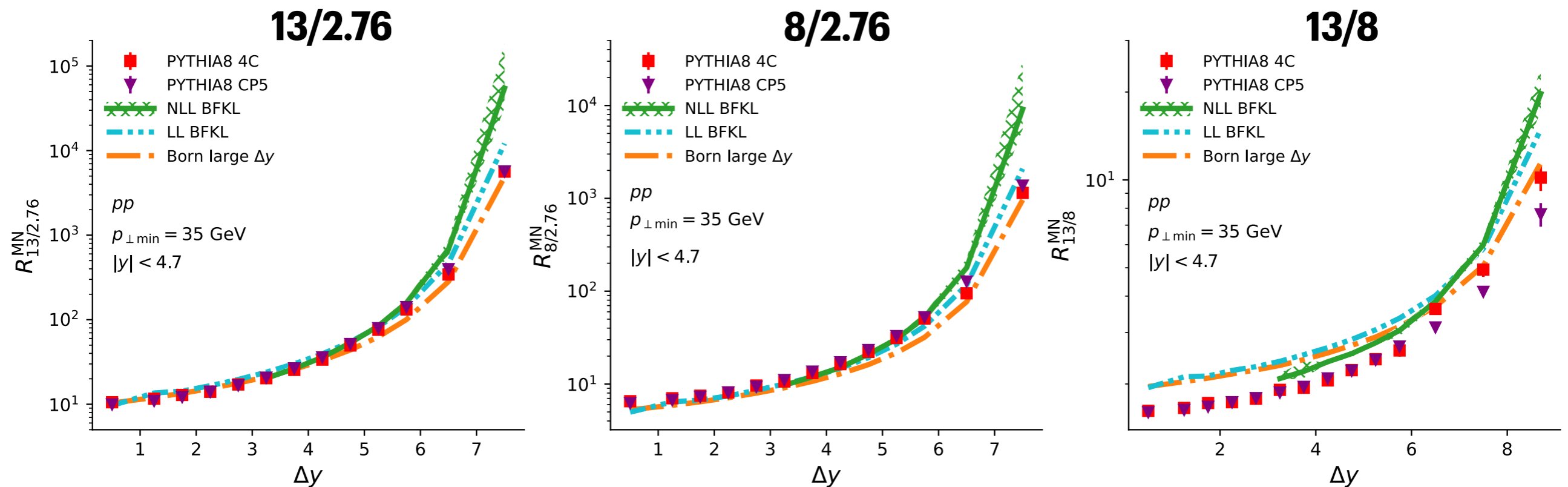
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- NLL BFKL predicts lowest values of MN x-section at large  $\Delta y$
- Lowering  $p_{\perp \min} \Rightarrow$  increasing the sensitivity to expected BFKL effects

# NLL BFKL for Ratios of MN cross sections at different energies, $p_{\perp \min} = 35 \text{ GeV}$

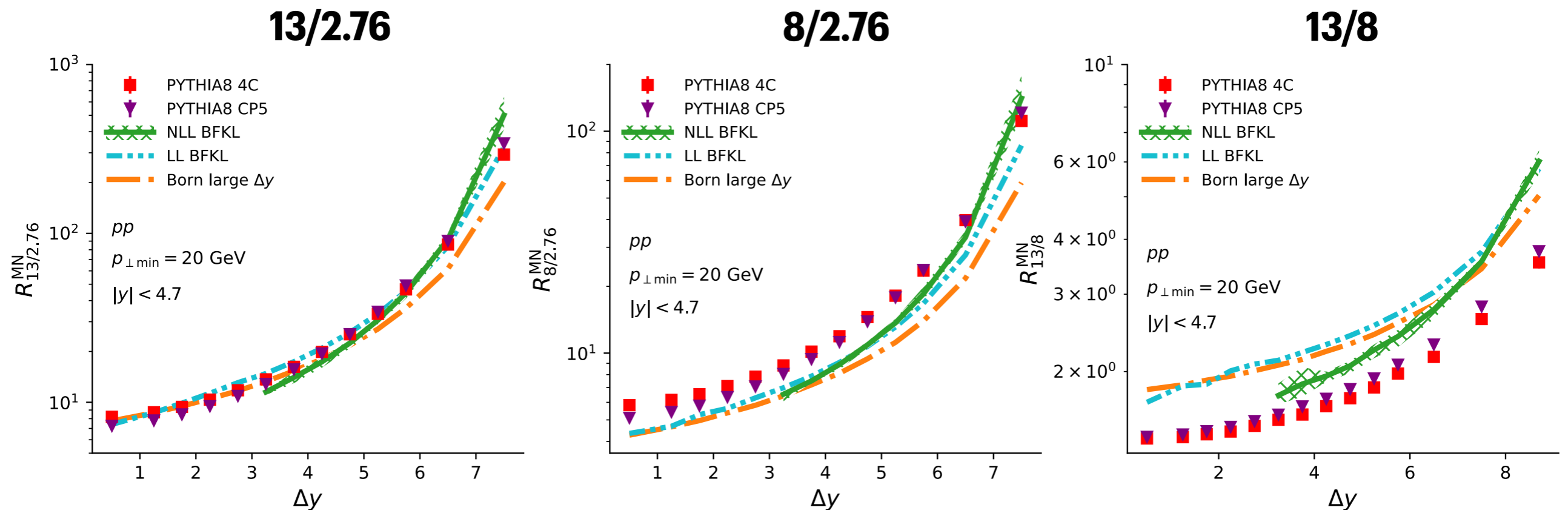
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# Summary

- The first comparison of the NLL BFKL calculations for MN x-section with experimental data at  $\sqrt{s} = 2.76$  TeV is presented.
- The NLL BFKL calculation with BFKLP scale setting agrees with MN x-section measurements of CMS at  $\sqrt{s} = 2.76$  TeV. All DGLAP-based calculations are fail at large  $\Delta y$ . These observations argue in favour of manifestation of the BFKL evolution
- Ratios of MN cross sections at different energies can be a sensitive probe for search of the BFKL evolution
- The predictions which can be tested at LHC are given

**THANK YOU!**