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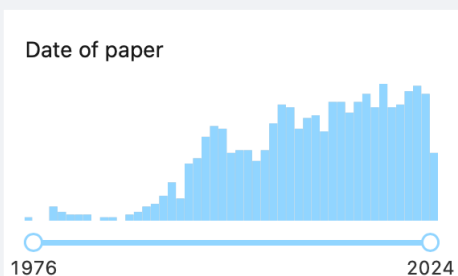
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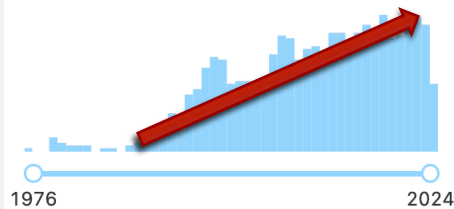
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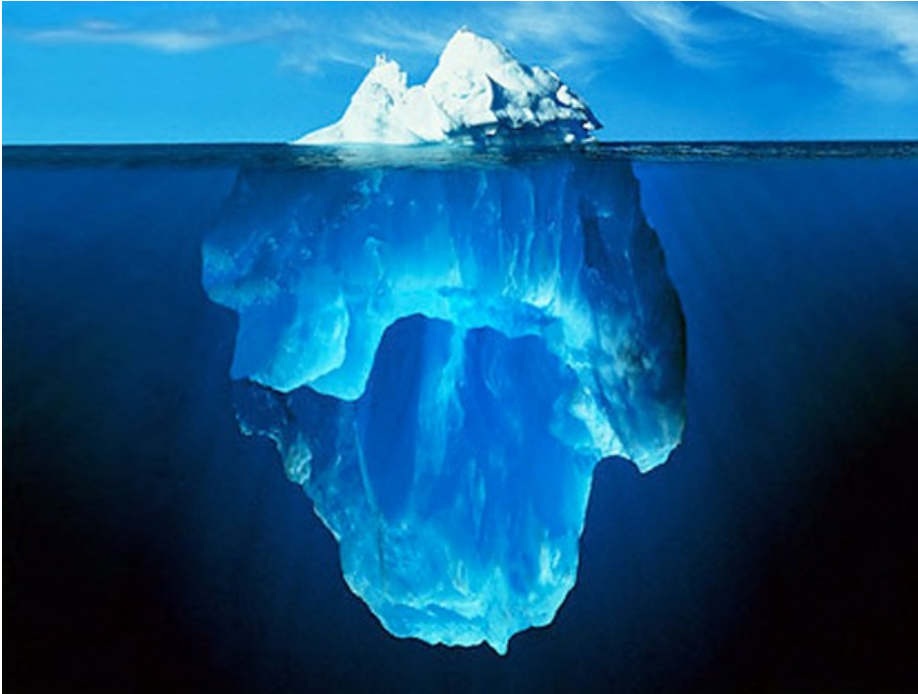
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DISCLAIMER



- Too little time, too much material...
- Subject can be introduced and discussed in many different ways
- Here only very few aspects can be covered without going too deep into details (apologies for all the omissions!)
- Today's goal: a broad overview of the underlying ideas

CONTENTS

- What is “resummation”?
- Why do we want to resum?
- How can we do it?
- How well can we do it?
- Examples, applications, directions

FIRST SIGHTINGS, 1

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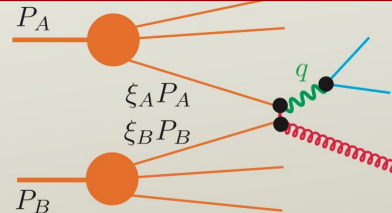
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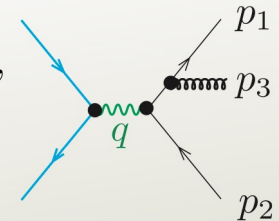
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- Since the thrust distribution is infrared safe, we can calculate it in perturbation theory.



- At first order, one finds

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dT} = \left(\frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{Q^2} \sum e_f^2 \right) \frac{C_F\alpha_s}{2\pi} \times \left[\frac{3(2-T)(2-3T)}{1-T} + \frac{4-6T(1-T)}{T(1-T)} \log\left(\frac{2T-1}{1-T}\right) \right]$$

- $Q^2 = q^2 = (p_1 + p_2 + p_3)^2$.
- $C_F = 4/3$.
- $T \rightarrow 1$ corresponds to two narrow jets.
- $d\sigma/dT$ is singular in this limit.

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Note the log.

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FIRST SIGHTINGS, 2

➔ S. Marzani's "Jets" lectures:

jet properties

- * we want to study the properties of jets
- * hence, we resolve a (high p_T) jet down to a smaller scale, e.g. its mass
- * large logarithms appear invalidating the fixed-order expansion
- * we need to reorganise the calculation so that we can consider any number of soft/collinear partons: **resummation**
- * vast field with many approaches: dQCD, SCET, etc.



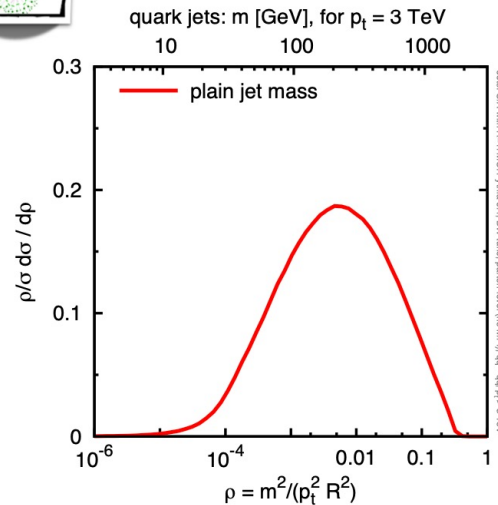
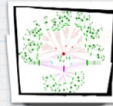
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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma^{\text{LO}}}{dm^2} &= \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \int_0^{R^2} \frac{d\theta^2}{\theta^2} \int_0^1 dz P_{gq}(z) \\ &\times \delta(m^2 - z(1-z)\theta^2 p_T^2) \\ &= \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{2\pi} m^{-2} \int_{m^2/(p_T^2 R^2)}^1 dz P_{gq}(z) \\ &\simeq \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{\pi} m^{-2} \left[\ln \frac{p_T^2 R^2}{m^2} - \frac{3}{4} \right] \end{aligned}$$


$$\sigma_{\text{res}} = g_0 \exp[g_1(a_s L) + g_2(a_s L)^2 + \dots]$$

double log: soft & coll.

single log: hard coll.

- * plain jet mass: Sudakov peak, where does it come from?
- * let's do an easy calculation: one gluon emission in the collinear limit

WHAT IS RESUMMATION?

- Loosely speaking, resummation means **reorganization of the perturbative series** in such a way that the subsets of the **dominant logarithmic terms** are systematically **grouped together to all orders**.
 - The form of this expression is specific to a given problem and only valid in the region where the logs are large.
- Various types of logarithms:
 - Renormalization and factorization logs: $\alpha_s^n \log^n(Q^2/\mu^2)$ -> running of α_s , DGLAP
 - High energy, small-x logs: $\alpha_s^n \log^{n-1}(s/t)$ -> BFKL equation
 - Sudakov logs: $\alpha_s^n \log^{2n-1}(\zeta)$
 - threshold logs $\zeta=1-z, z=M^2/s, z=Q^2/s, \dots$ 
 - recoil logs $\zeta=p_T^2/Q^2$
 - thrust $\zeta=1-T$

THE GOAL

Systematic reorganization of perturbative series

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{\sigma} &\sim c_{00} + \\
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resummation: often in a conjugated space, e.g. a space of Mellin moments N , taken wrt. $1-\beta^2$

$$\hat{\sigma}^{(N)} \sim \mathcal{C}(\alpha_s) \exp [Lg_1(\alpha_s L) + g_2(\alpha_s L) + \alpha_s g_3(\alpha_s L) + \dots]$$

sums up

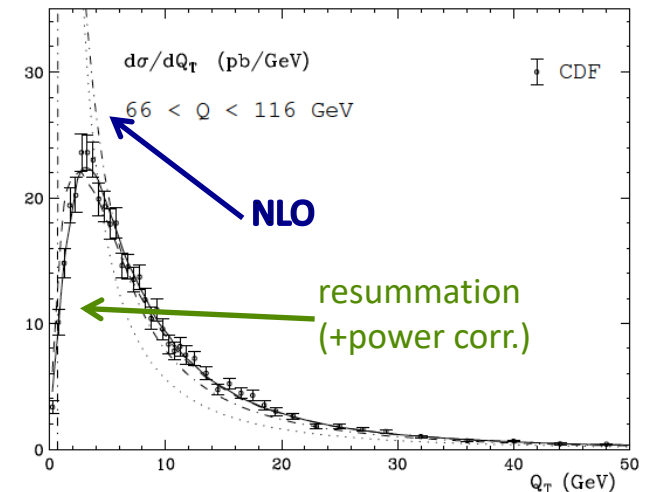
LL: $\alpha_s^n \log^{n+1}(N)$

NLL: $\alpha_s^n \log^n(N)$

...

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- restoration of predictive power
- better description of observables -> reduction of the theoretical error (and we need precision for the LHC!)
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Z boson p_T @Tevatron from [AK, Serman, Vogelsang'03]

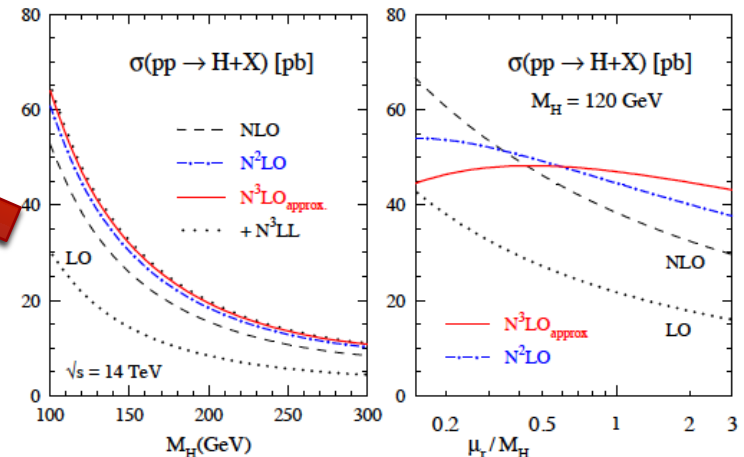
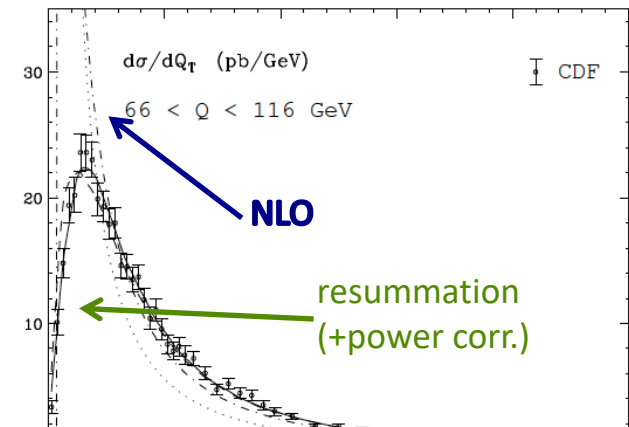
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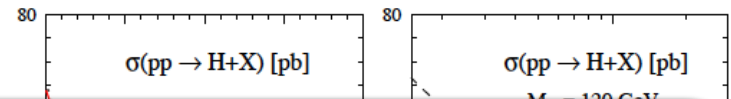
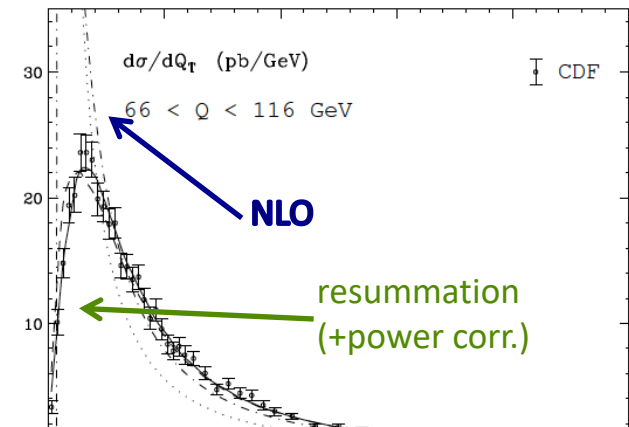
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➤ by-product: approximation of the fixed-order result from expansion of the all-order resummation



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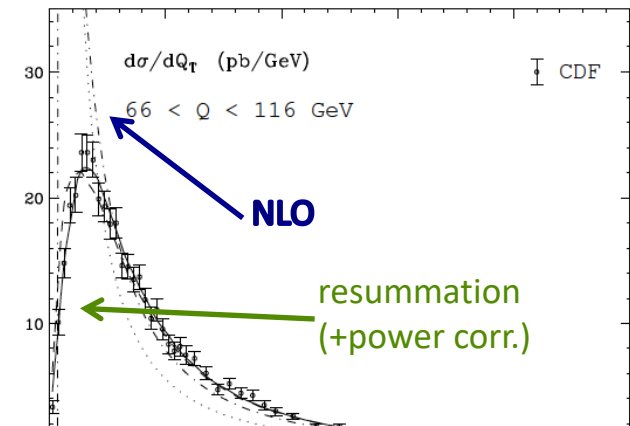
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but how to get there?

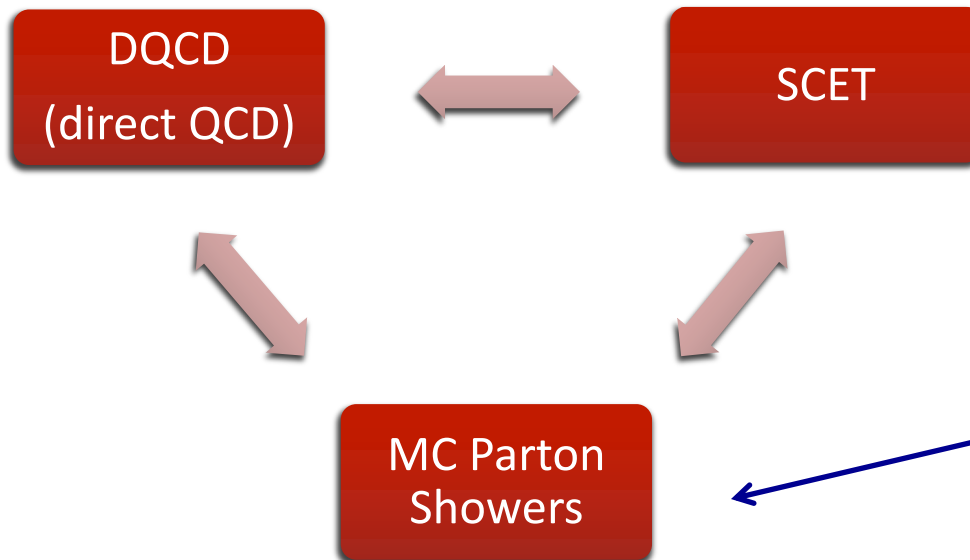
TAKE YOUR PICK

Analytical methods

- State of the art accuracy from N^4LL processes to NNLL
- Full control over theoretical accuracy
- Separate calculations for each process and observable

Numerical

- Automated tools
- General-purpose and fully differential
- Accuracy $(N(N))LL$
- Improving accuracy is currently a very active field



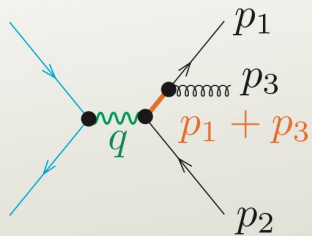
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see lectures by D. Soper and R. Frederix

METHODS

- Historically, various approaches (or “schools”) have been formed:
 - based on factorization of matrix elements and cross section [*Catani, Trentadue, Parisi, Petronzio et al.*] [*Dokshitzer et al.*] “bottom-top”
 - based on renormalization group [*Collins, Soper, Sterman et al.*] “top-bottom”
 - based on the effective field theory approach -> *Soft Collinear Effective Theory (SCET)* dominant mode selection at the Lagrangian level
- Different at technical level, but equally valid
- Independent methods to arrive at the same formal accuracy -> validation of theoretical predictions obtained with various methods
- After all, physics is the same!

BACK TO E+E-

General nature of the singularities



- \mathcal{M} contains a factor $1/(p_1 + p_3)^2$.
 $(p_1 + p_3)^2 = 2E_1 E_3 (1 - \cos \theta_{13})$
- This is singular for $\theta_{13} \rightarrow 0$
 and for $E_3 \rightarrow 0$.

- The numerator has a factor θ_{13} for small θ_{13} .
- So

$$|\mathcal{M}|^2 \propto \frac{1}{E_3^2 \theta_{13}^2}, \quad \theta_{13} \rightarrow 0 \text{ or } E_3 \rightarrow 0$$

- This gives logarithmically divergent integrals

$$\begin{aligned} \int d\sigma &\sim \int \frac{d^3 \vec{p}_3}{E_3} \frac{1}{E_3^2 \theta_{13}^2} \\ &= \int \frac{E_3^2 dE_3 d \cos \theta_{13} d\phi}{E_3} \frac{1}{E_3^2 \theta_{13}^2} \\ &\sim \int \frac{dE_3}{E_3} \frac{d\theta_{13}^2}{\theta_{13}^2} d\phi \end{aligned}$$

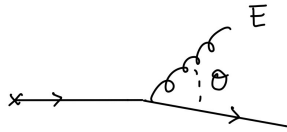
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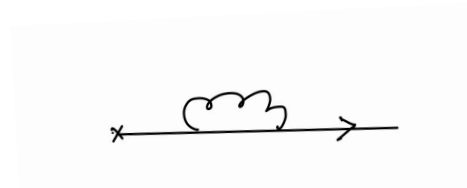
- IR singularities cancel between real and virtual corrections (KLN theorem) for IR-safe observables
- NLO total cross section: $\sigma_r + \sigma_v = \sigma_0 \left(1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)$
- However, if phase-space for real emission restricted e.g. by the measurement being exclusive, (double) logarithmic dependence on the phase-space boundary will appear!

ORIGIN OF LOGS

- Consider a constrain on the phase-space of real emission in the form $E\theta^2 < M$



$$\sigma_r \sim \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} C_F \int \frac{dE}{E} \int \frac{d\theta^2}{\theta^2} \Theta(M - E\theta^2)$$

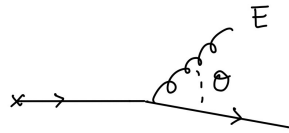


$$\sigma_v \sim -\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} C_F \int \frac{dE}{E} \int \frac{d\theta^2}{\theta^2}$$

$$\sigma_r + \sigma_v \sim -\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} C_F \int \frac{dE}{E} \int \frac{d\theta^2}{\theta^2} \Theta(E\theta^2 - M) \sim -\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} C_F \int_M^Q \frac{dE}{E} \int_{M/E}^1 \frac{d\theta^2}{\theta^2} = -\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} C_F \log^2 \left(\frac{Q}{M} \right)$$

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- If restriction on phase-space, **real emission inhibited**
 - cancellation between real and virtual correction unbalanced
 - **finite logarithmic remnants which can get large!**

gets large for $M \ll Q$,
i.e. when emission forced
to be soft and collinear!

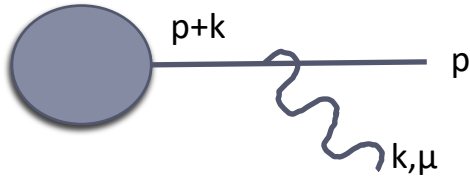
- Same effect, appearing in many disguises, depending on the process, observable etc.
- What about higher-orders?

FACTORIZATION OF MULTIPLE EMISSIONS

- Factorization of soft and/or collinear emissions is the **underlying principle behind resummation**
- Intuitive: short distance incoherent with long distance dynamics, long-wavelength soft gluons “insensitive” to short wavelength physics
- Factorization of amplitudes and cross-sections and the exponentiation of single emission probabilities -> “**bottom-top**”
- All-order factorization separating dynamics at various energy scales (RG approach in dQCD, SCET) “**top-bottom**”

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➤ One photon emission in the soft $k^\mu \rightarrow 0$ limit

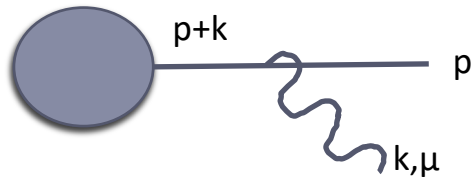


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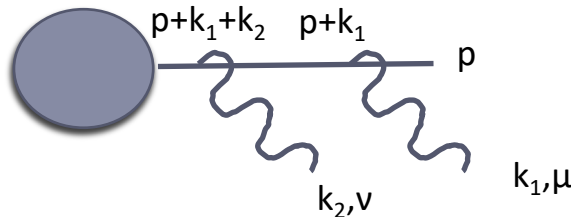


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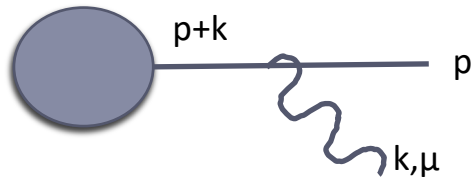


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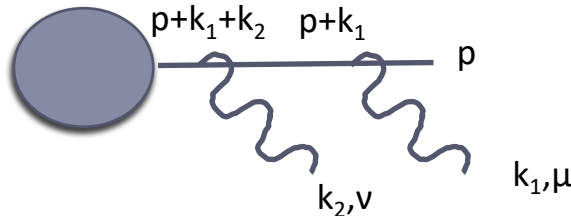


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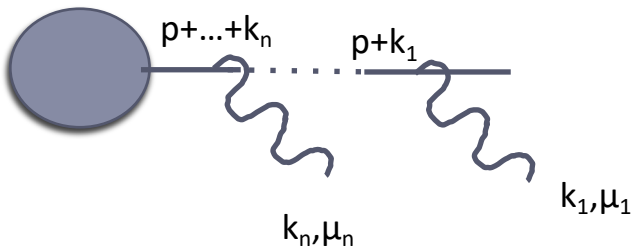
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- Multiple soft photon emission



$$\prod_i \frac{p^{\mu_i}}{p \cdot k_i}$$

Independent, uncorrelated emissions
 Factorization at the matrix element level

"BOTTOM-TOP" (1)

Generic hard scattering process:

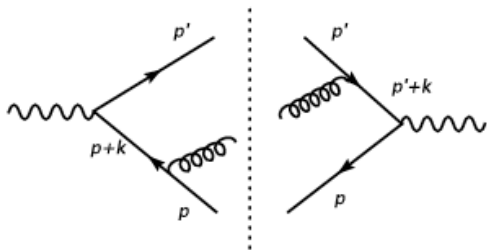
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➔ In QED, multiple emissions uncorrelated, $\frac{d\omega_n(z_1, \dots, z_n)}{dz_1 \dots dz_n} = \frac{1}{n!} \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{d\omega(z_i)}{dz_i}$

➔ In QCD need to account for colour charges and non-abelian nature

$$M_{eik}(\{p_i\}) = M_{Born}(\{p_i\}) J^\mu \varepsilon_\mu \quad J^\mu = \sum_i e_i \frac{p_i^\mu}{p_i \cdot k} \quad J^\mu = \sum_i g_s T_i \frac{p_i^\mu}{p_i \cdot k}$$

eikonal current in QED in QCD



$$|M_{eik}|^2 = g_s^2 |M_{Born}|^2 J^\mu J^\nu (-g_{\mu\nu}) = -g_s^2 |M_{Born}|^2 2C_F \frac{p \cdot p'}{(p \cdot k)(p' \cdot k)}$$

In general, for n+1 matrix element:

$$|M_{n+1}|^2 = -g_s^2 |M_{Born}|^2 \frac{p \cdot p'}{(p \cdot k)(p' \cdot k)} \langle M_n | T_i \cdot T_j | M_n \rangle$$

➔ Nevertheless, factorization can be achieved in a more complicated form

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➤ phase-space factorization $\Theta_{PS}^{(n)}(z, z_1, \dots, z_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n \Theta_{PS}(z, z_i)$

depends on the process: Θ_{PS} contains kinematical constraints, not always factorizable!

➤ In practice, phase-space factorization often occurs in the space conjugate to the space of kinematic variables

➤ Threshold resummation, Mellin transform

$$\delta\left(1 - z - \sum_i z_i\right) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C dN e^{-N(1-z-\sum_i z_i)} \quad \ln(1-z) \leftrightarrow \ln N$$

➤ Transverse momentum p_T resummation, Fourier transform

$$\delta\left(\mathbf{p}_T - \sum_i \mathbf{k}_T^i\right) = \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \int d^2b e^{i\mathbf{b}(\mathbf{p}_T - \sum_i \mathbf{k}_T^i)} \quad \ln(Q^2/p_T^2) \leftrightarrow \ln(Q^2 b^2)$$

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➤ If the amplitude squared and the phase-space factorize

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exponentiation of lowest-order soft corrections

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RESUMMATION FROM FACTORIZATION

see E. Laenen, in *Pramana* 65(2004)1225

- Single log resummation example: moments of the deep inelastic proton structure function factorize as

$$F_{2,P}(N, Q) \equiv \int_0^1 dx x^{N-1} F_{2,P}(x, Q) = C_q(N, Q/\mu) \phi_{q/P}(N, \mu)$$

where C_q are IR safe coefficient functions and $\phi_{q/P}$ is the quark distribution function. Since

$$\mu \frac{d}{d\mu} \ln F_{2,P}(N, Q) = 0$$

then

$$\mu \frac{d}{d\mu} \ln \phi_{q/P}(N, \alpha_s(\mu)) = -\mu \frac{d}{d\mu} C_q(N, Q/\mu, \alpha_s(\mu)) \equiv \gamma_q(N, \alpha_s(\mu)) \quad \text{anomalous dimension}$$

and

$$\gamma_q(N, \alpha_s(\mu)) \simeq \alpha_s(Q) \gamma_q^{(1)}(N)$$

$$\phi_{q/P}(N, Q) = \phi_{q/P}(N, Q_0) \exp \left[\int_{Q_0}^Q \frac{d\mu}{\mu} \gamma_q(N, \alpha_s(\mu)) \right] \stackrel{\downarrow}{=} \phi_{q/P}(N, Q_0) \underbrace{\exp \left[\alpha_s(Q) \gamma_q^{(1)}(N) \ln(Q/Q_0) \right]}_{= \left(\frac{Q}{Q_0} \right)^{\alpha_s(Q) \gamma_q^{(1)}} \text{ well behaved}}$$

Resummation of single logarithms!

Resummation of double logarithms requires additional considerations of dependence on the second variable (gauge vector) via $\log(p_i \cdot n)$

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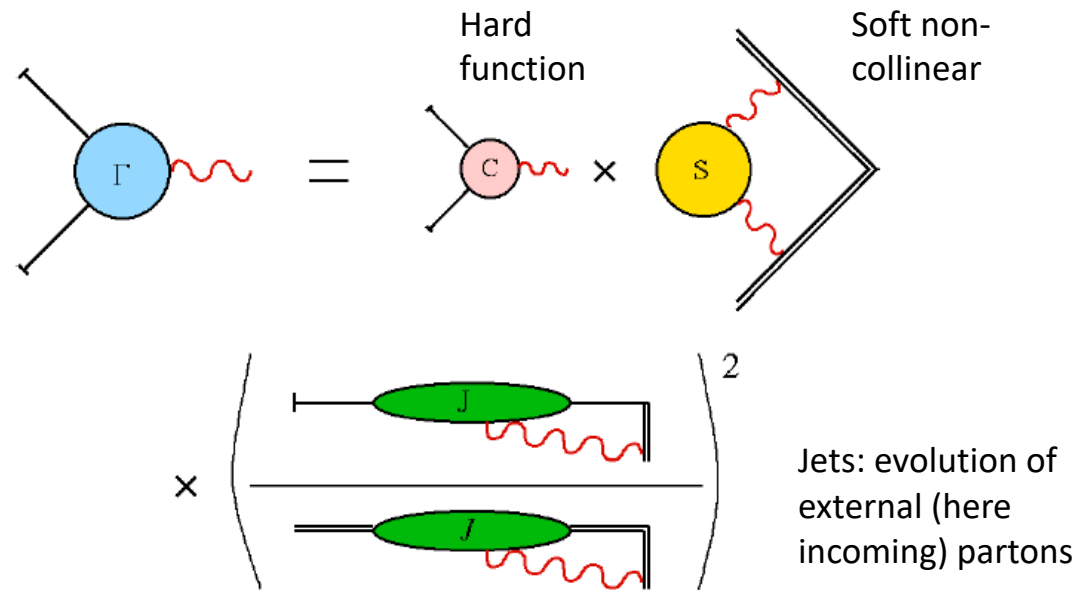
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- Proving factorization is highly non-trivial: requires all-order diagrammatic studies, pioneered in the soft-collinear case by Collins, Soper and Sterman
- Particular variants of the factorized expression from which a corresponding resummed formula is derived are obtained by keeping the appropriate variable (e.g. transverse momentum, energy fraction) fixed

UPSHOT: "TOP-BOTTOM" DQCD

Form factor



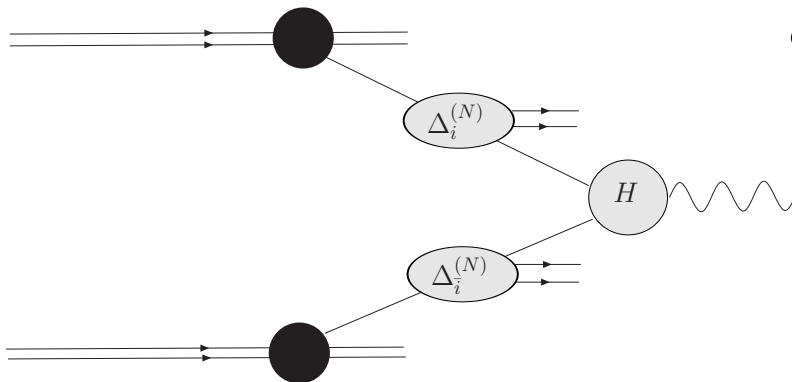
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$$\Gamma \left(\frac{Q^2}{\mu^2}, \alpha_s(\mu^2), \epsilon \right) = C \left(\frac{Q^2}{\mu^2}, \frac{(p_i \cdot n_i)^2}{n_i^2 \mu^2}, \alpha_s(\mu^2), \epsilon \right) \times S(\beta_1 \cdot \beta_2, \alpha_s(\mu^2), \epsilon) \\ \times \prod_{i=1}^2 \left[\frac{J \left(\frac{(p_i \cdot n_i)^2}{n_i^2 \mu^2}, \alpha_s(\mu^2), \epsilon \right)}{\mathcal{J} \left(\frac{(\beta_i \cdot n_i)^2}{n_i^2}, \alpha_s(\mu^2), \epsilon \right)} \right].$$

THRESHOLD RESUMMED CROSS SECTIONS

Schematically, for colour singlet production

[Catani, Trentadue'89][Sterman'87]



$$\hat{\sigma}_{i\bar{i}}^{(N)} = \underbrace{H_{i\bar{i}}^{(N)}}_{\text{hard function}} \times$$

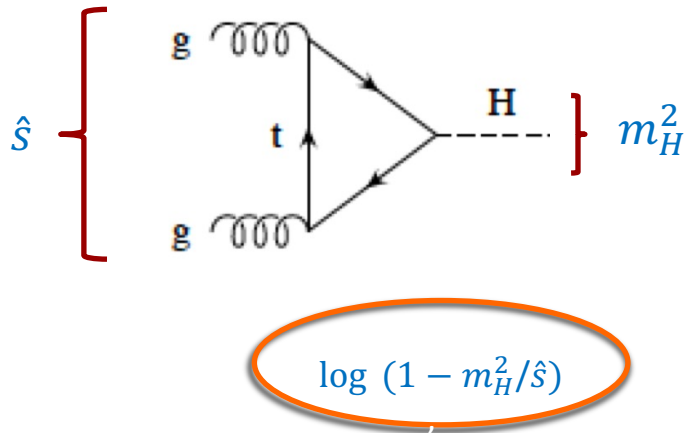
$\underbrace{\Delta_i^{(N)} \Delta_{\bar{i}}^{(N)}}_{\text{soft-collinear radiation universal factors; KNOWN}}$

exponential functions

$$\ln \left(\Delta_i^{(N)} \Delta_{\bar{i}}^{(N)} \right) = \int_0^1 dz \frac{z^{N-1} - 1}{1-z} \int_{\mu_F^2}^{(1-z)^2 Q^2} \frac{d\mu^2}{\mu^2} A_i(\alpha_S(\mu^2))$$

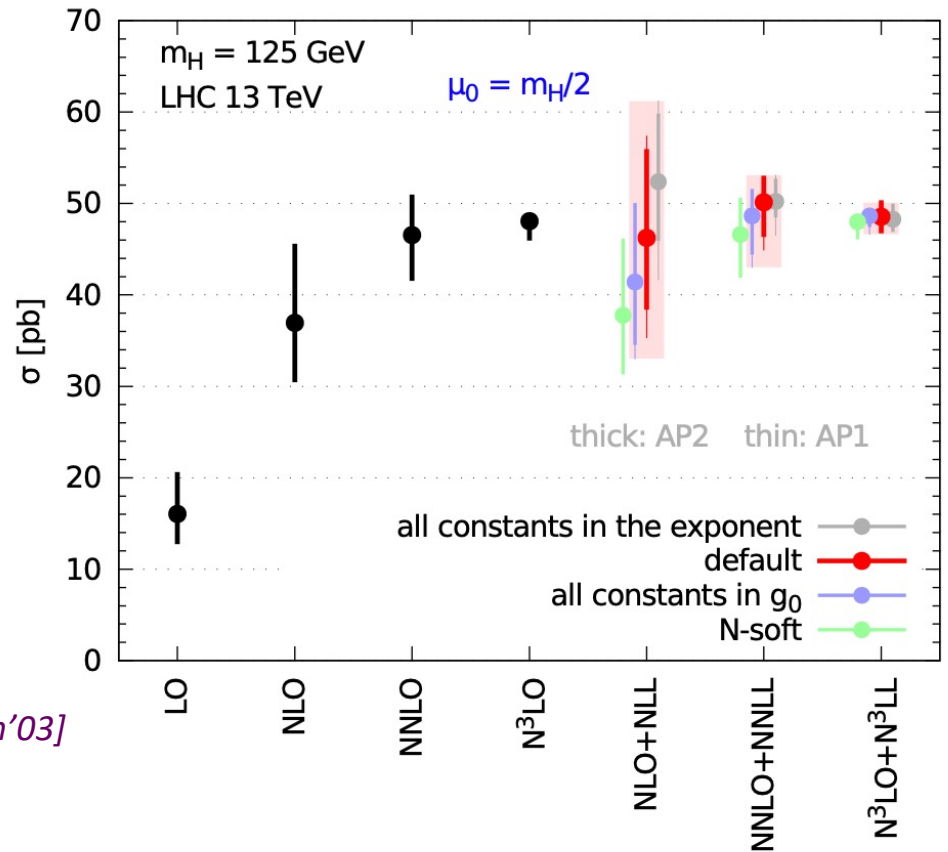
A_i – perturbative function, $A_{q/g}^{(1)} = \alpha_S / \pi C_{F/A}$

APPLICATION TO HIGGS PRODUCTION



NNLO+NNLL: [Catani, de Florian, Grazzini, Nason'03]

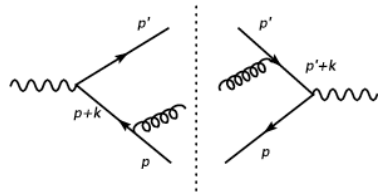
Higgs cross section: gluon fusion



[Bonvini, Marzani, Muselli, Rottoli'16]

COLOUR FLOW

➤ Two external coloured legs

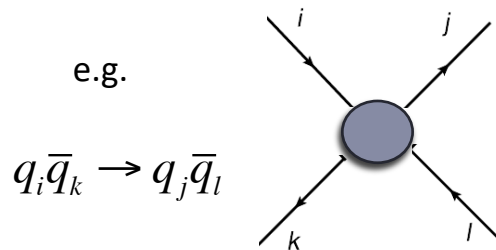


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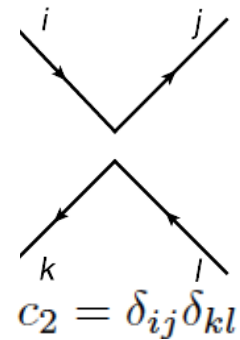
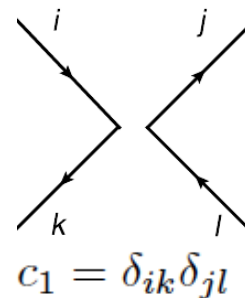
➤ Result for three coloured legs also involves only simple Casimir factors, but starting from \geq four legs objects in colour space

➤ gluon emission off quark lines $\sim T_i^a T_j^a$

➤ in general, decompose amplitudes in a chosen colour basis (colour tensors with indices of external partons)



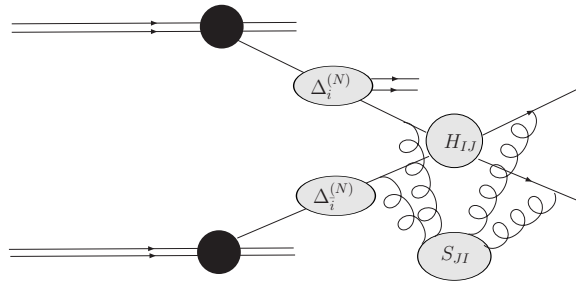
colour basis
(possible choice)



Consequence: soft emission function turns into a matrix in the colour space

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$2 \rightarrow 2$ process with nontrivial colour flow



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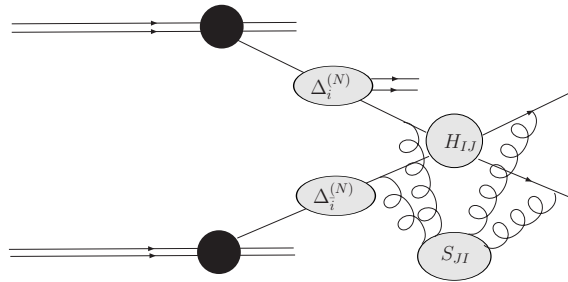
matrices in colour space

S_{JI} from solving the renormalization group equation

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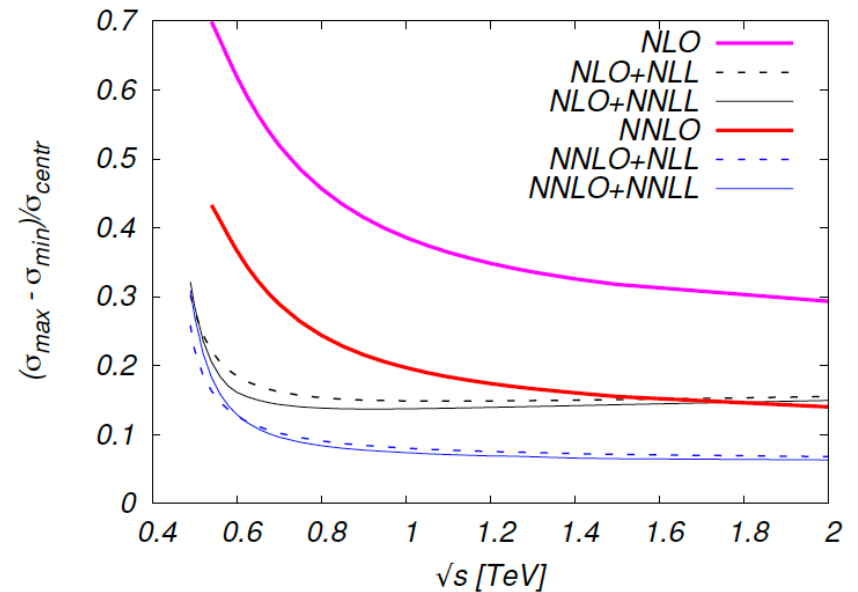
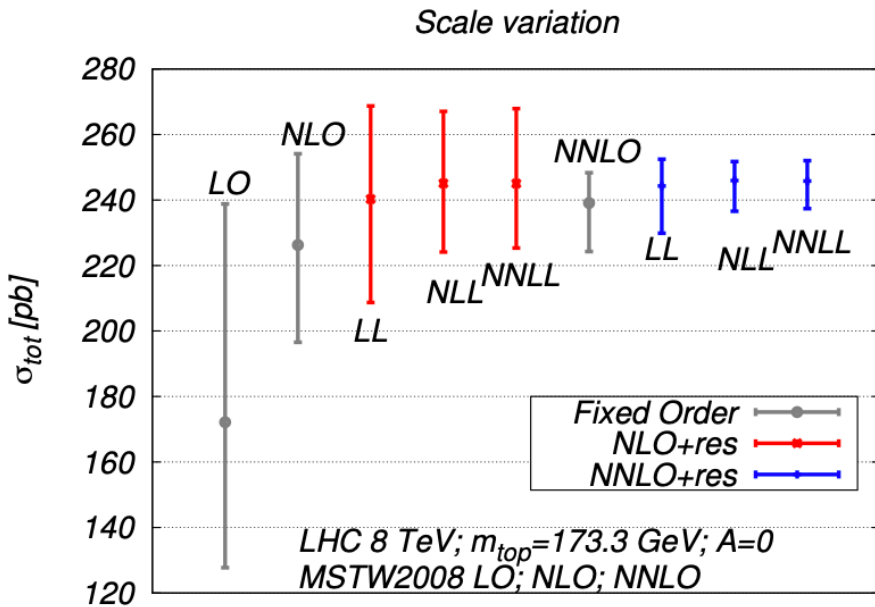
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TTBAR CROSS SECTIONS

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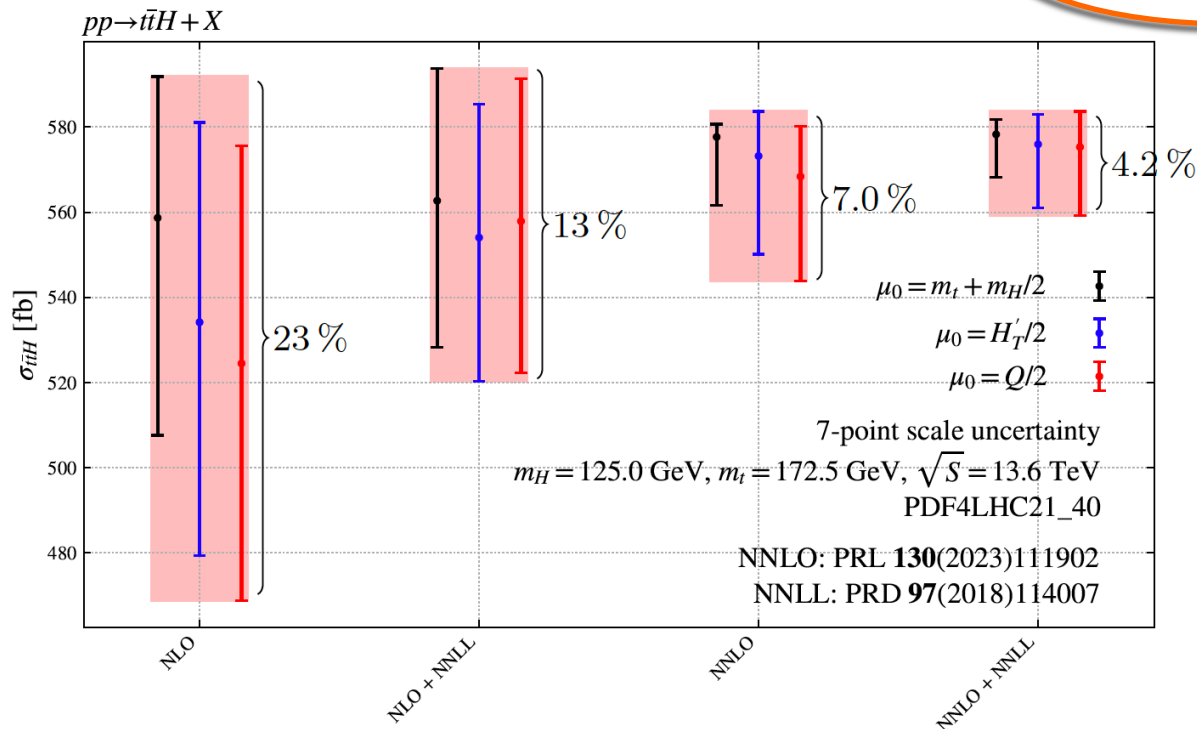
[Fiedler, Mitov, Czakon'13]

TtH@NNLO+NNLL

[Balsach, AK, Motyka, Stebel]

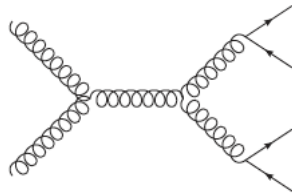
ttH production cross section known at fixed order at NNLO in the “soft-Higgs approximation” [Catani, Devoto, Grazzini, Kallweit, Mazzitelli, Savoini’22]. Precision can be further improved by matching with the NNLL soft gluon resummation [AK, Motyka, Stebel, Theeuwes’17]

$$\log(1 - Q^2/\hat{s})$$

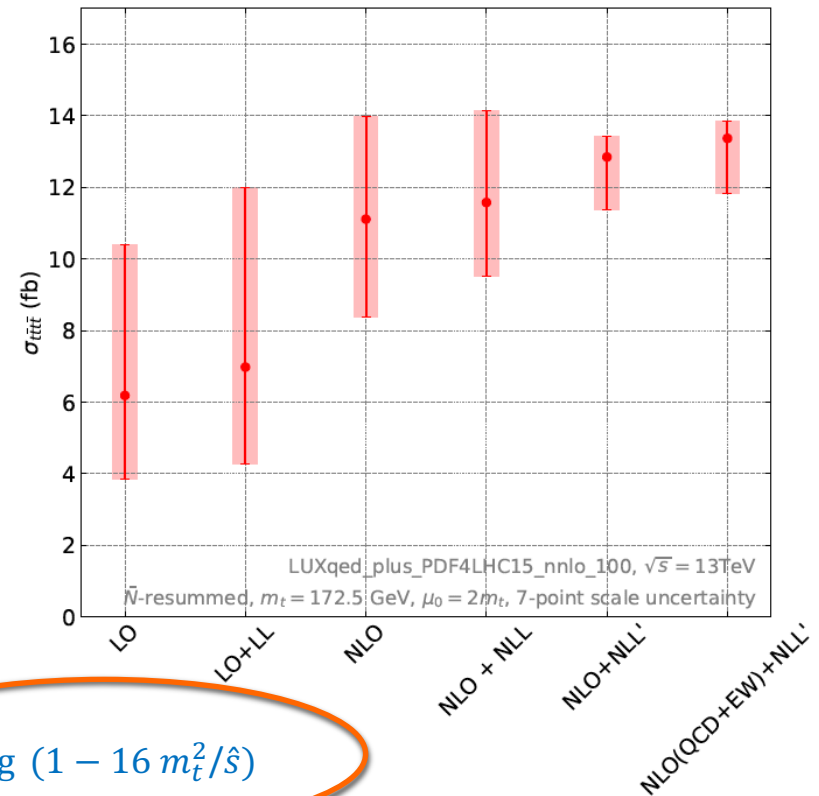


4-TOP PRODUCTION

[van Beekveld, AK, Moreno Valero, PRL 131 (2023) 21, 211901]



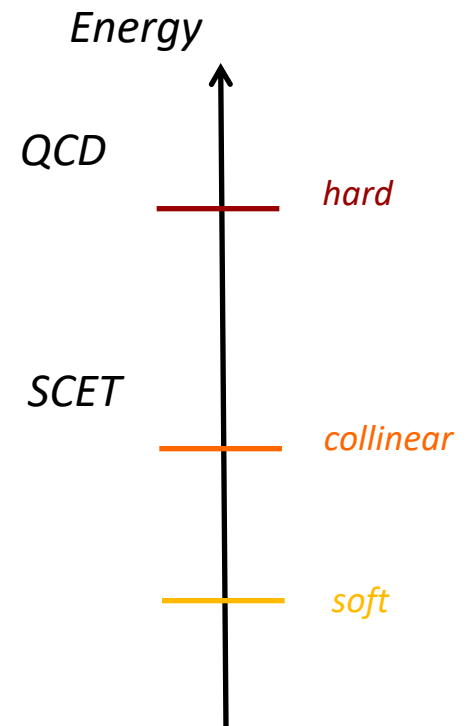
- Resummation of logarithms of $1 - (4m_t)^2/\hat{s}$ in dQCD
- 4 coloured particles in the final state: highly non-trivial colour flow (14-dim colour space in the gg channel)
- so far, only resummed up to NLL



$$\log \left(1 - 16 \frac{m_t^2}{\hat{s}} \right)$$

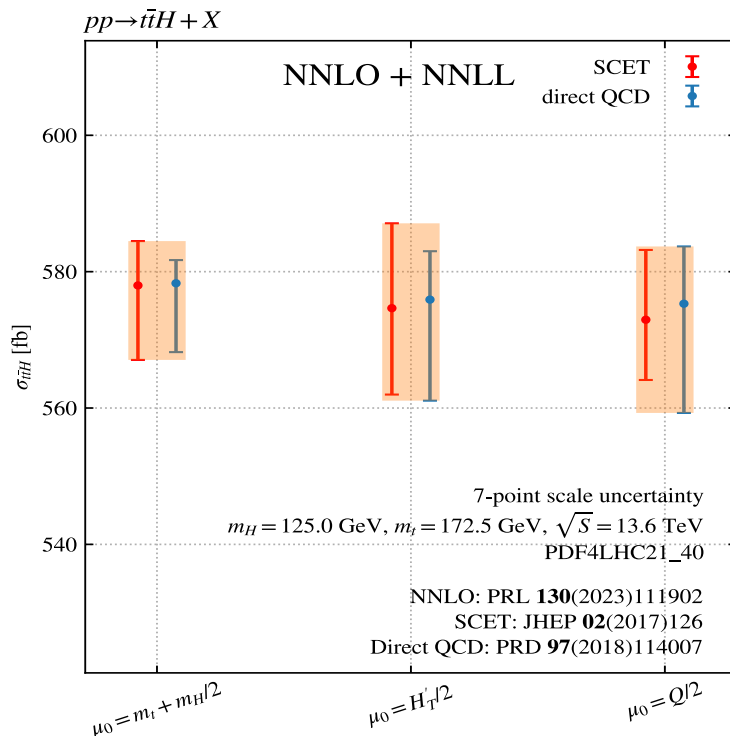
$$d\sigma_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}}^{\text{res}}(N, \mu_F, \mu_R, \dots) = \text{Tr} \left[\mathbf{H}_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}}(\mu_F, \mu_R, \dots) \mathbf{S}_{ij \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}}(N, \mu_R, \dots) \right] \Delta_i(N, \mu_F, \mu_R) \Delta_j(N, \mu_F, \mu_R, \dots)$$

- Soft - Collinear Effective Theory (SCET) of QCD
[Bauer, Becher, Beneke, Chapovsky, Diehl, Feldmann, Fleming, Hill, Lee, Luke, Manohar, Neubert, Pirjol, Rothstein, Stewart, ...'early 00s]
 - dynamics of energetic particles moving close to the light-cone and interacting with soft quanta
 - effective Lagrangian built out of quark and gluon fields with collinear and (ultra)soft momenta
- EFTs provide useful framework for studying multi-scale problems: scale separation → factorization
- Resummation from solving RG equations of SCET in momentum space *[Becher, Neubert'06] [Becher, Neubert, Pecjak'07] [Becher, Neubert, Xu'08]*
- Relation to direct QCD studied extensively *[Bonvini, Forte, Ghezzi, Ridolfi'12][Sterman, Zheng'13], [Almeida et al.'14]*



TtH@NNLO+NNLL

- Comparison with the NNLL+NNLO result based on SCET [Broggio, Ferroglia, Pecjak, Yang'16] within the framework of the ttH LHCHWG subgroup

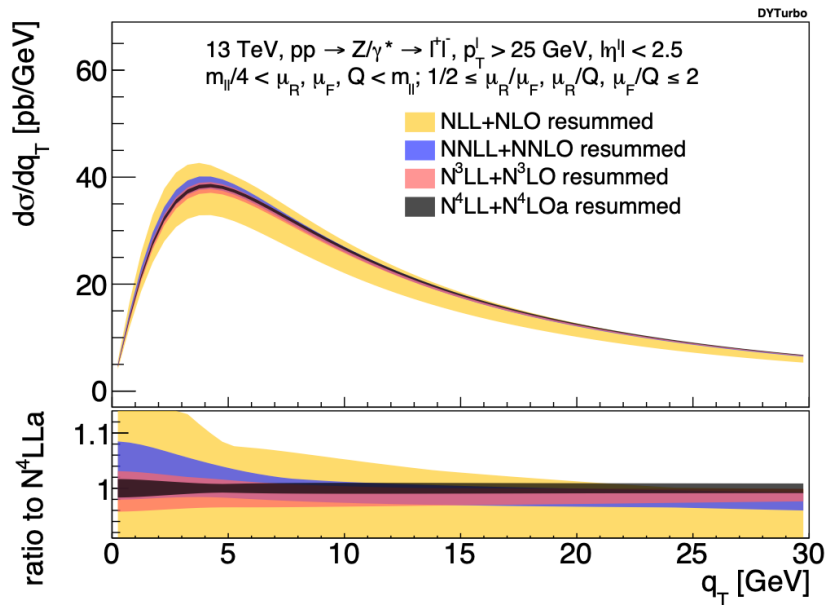


- Two **very different frameworks**: perturbative “full” theory (QCD) vs effective theory (SCET)
- Analytical formulas agree at NNLL
- Different subsets of subleading terms are included beyond NNLL → small numerical differences
- Results for central scale choices agree within a few permille

[NNLL dQCD: Balsach, AK, Motyka, Stebel] [NNLL SCET: Broggio, Ferroglia, Pecjak] [NNLO: Devoto, Grazzini, Kallweit, Mazzitelli, Savoini]

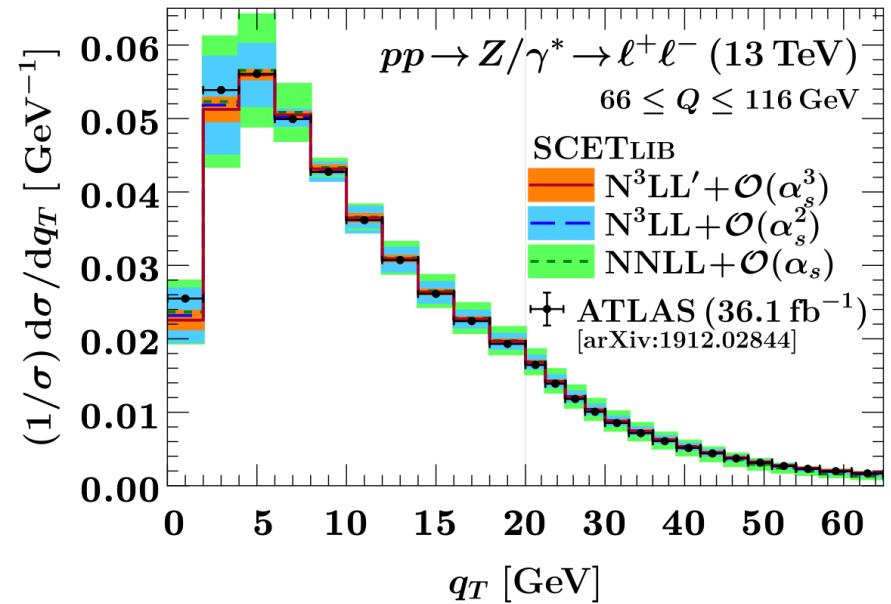
OTHER LOGS: Z pT

dQCD



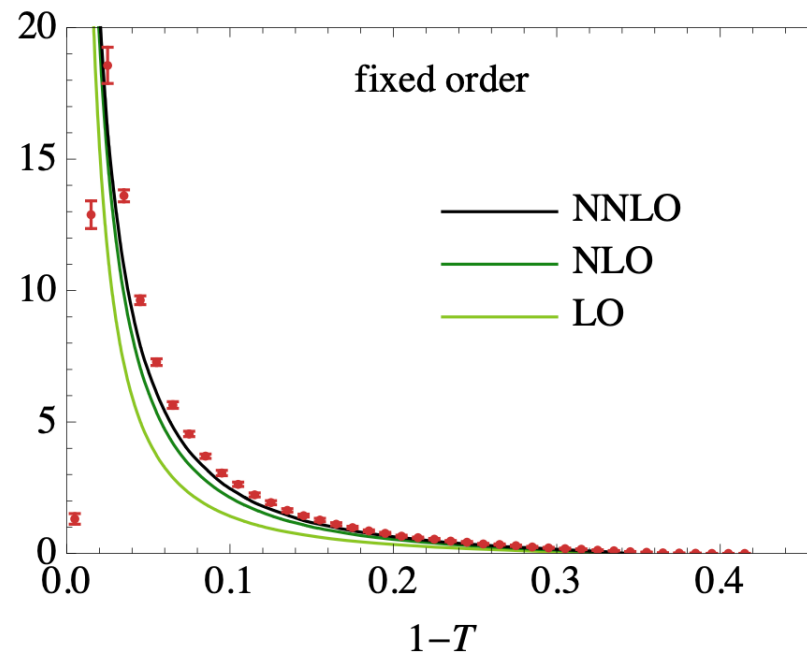
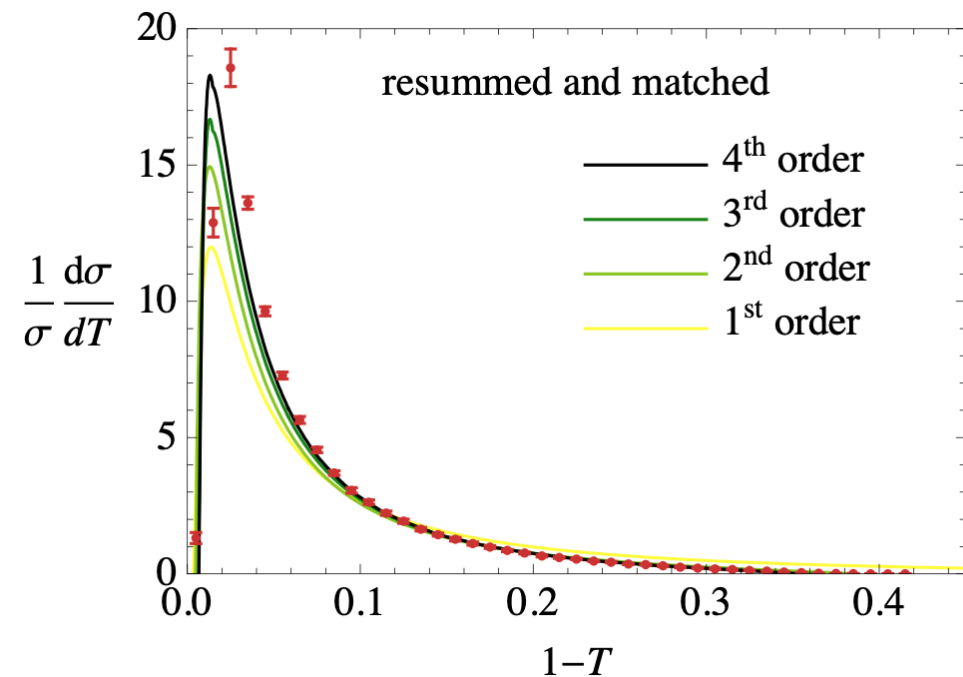
[Camarda, Cieri, Ferrera'23]

SCET



[Billis, Ebert, Michel, Tackmann'22]

OTHER LOGS: THRUST



[Bechert, Schwartz'08], see also [Abate et al.]'10'12

resummed: N³LL


fixed-order: NNLO

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treated in
standard
resummation



loops + real
phase-space



next-to-leading
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Other topics of research: resummation of EW logs, combined QCD and EW resummation, non-global logarithms, small-x resummation, (semi-)numerical approaches, combined resummations, ...

SUMMARY

- Resummation crucial for proper description of multiple classes of observables probing the IR dynamics
- Well established techniques: direct QCD and SCET
- As the ability and accuracy of higher-order calculation grows, so does the accuracy of resummation
- NNLL pretty much standard now, some quantities already known at N^3LL and N^4LL
- Higher logarithmic accuracy than those offered by parton showers, systematically improvable
- Very dynamical field, many new developments