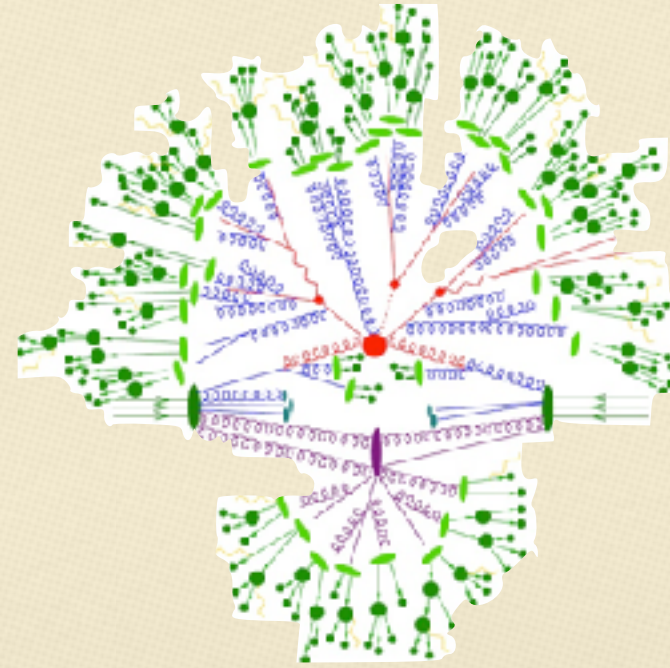


$$\frac{1}{4}\text{Tr}[G^2] - \bar{\psi}(\not{D} - m)\psi$$



LHC and perturbative QCD

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Gravity and matter in the subnuclear world

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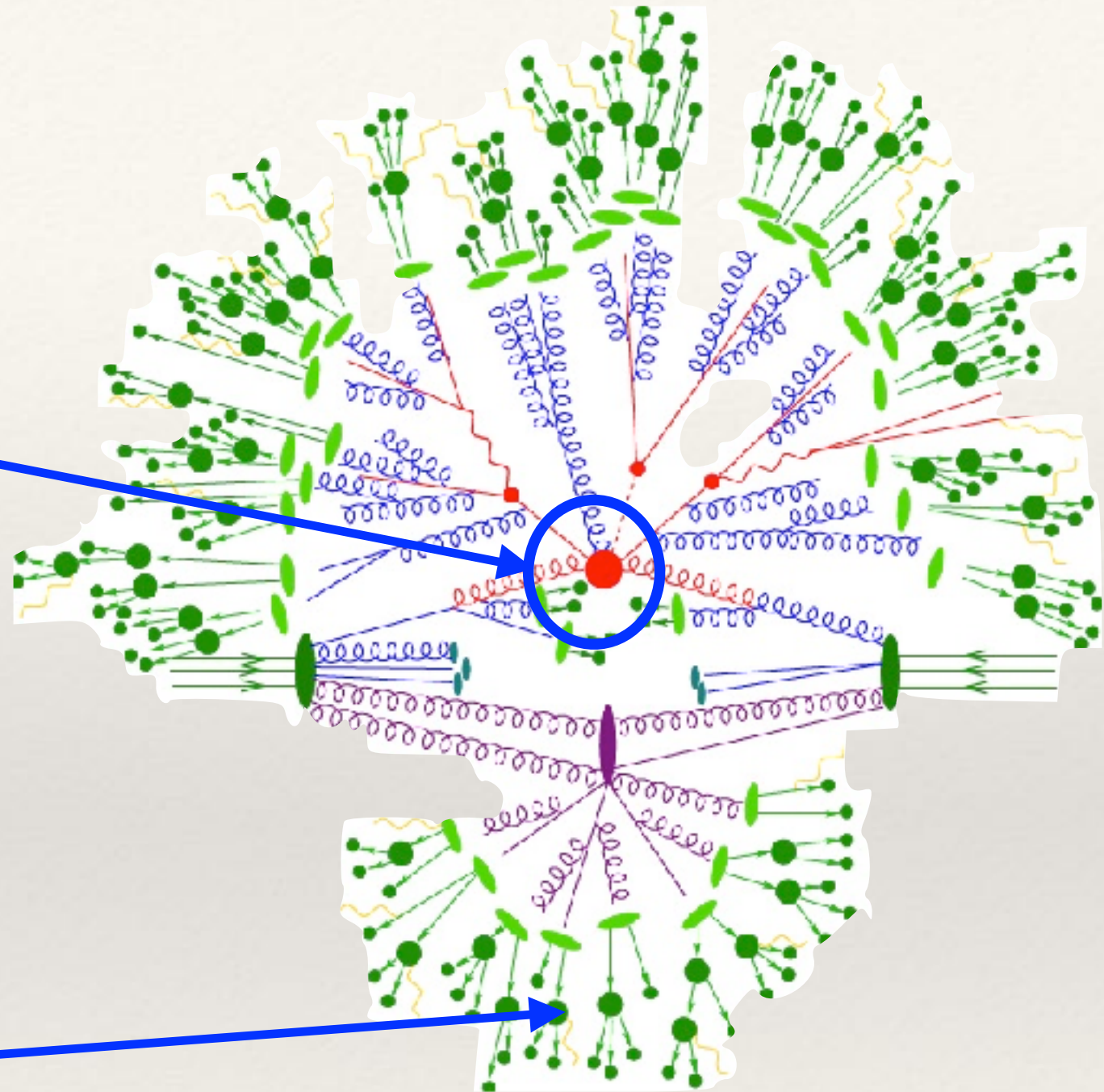
Where are we?

♦ PDFs ✓

♦ Partonic processes

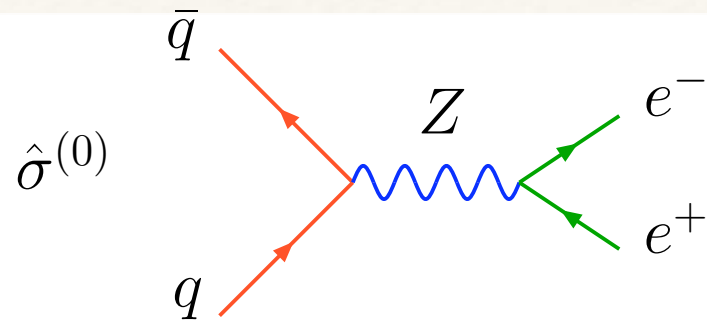
♦ Parton showers ✓

♦ ~~Hadronization~~



Recall: LO and higher order amplitudes

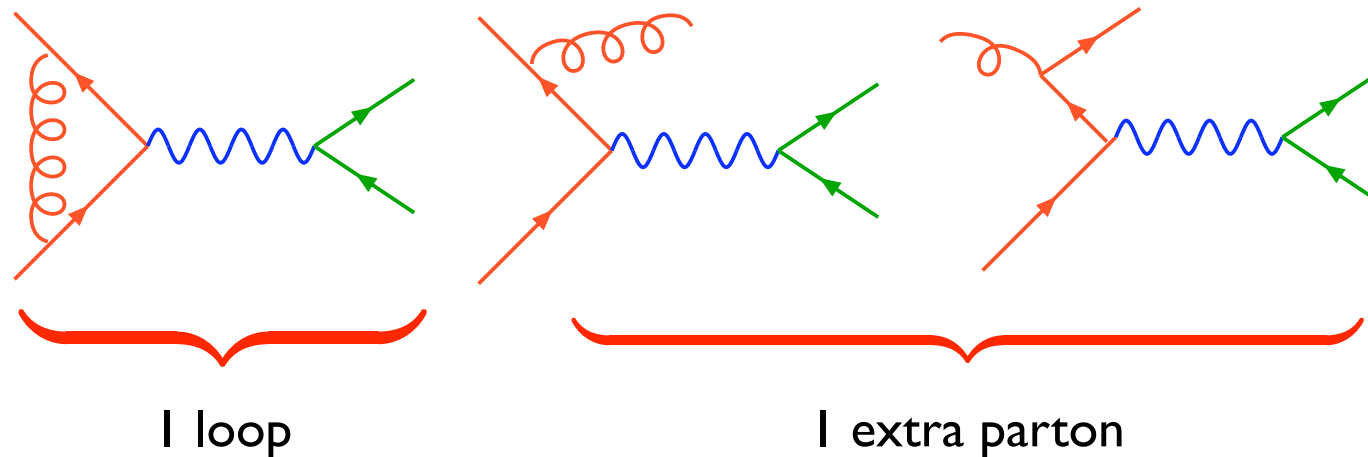
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Calculate in $D=4-2\epsilon$ dimensions

NLO

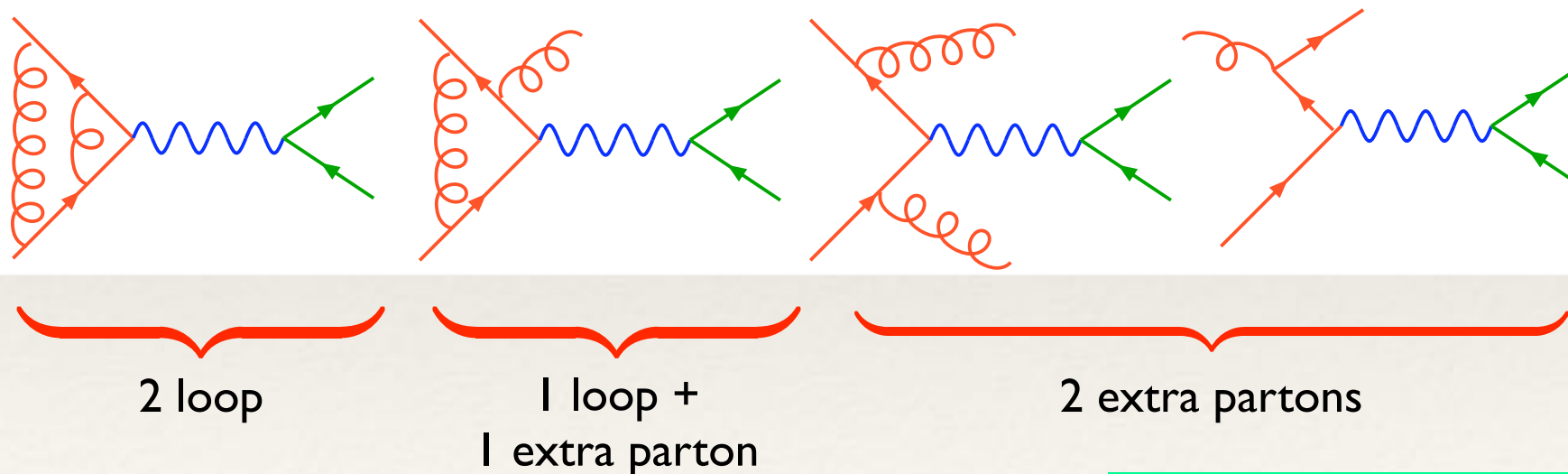
$\hat{\sigma}^{(1)}$



Cancel IR poles $1/\epsilon^2$ before anything else

NNLO

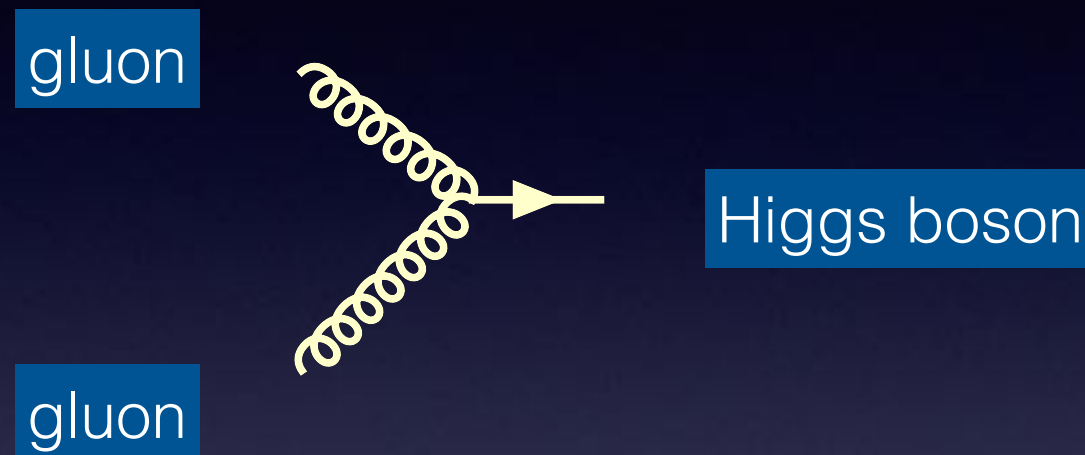
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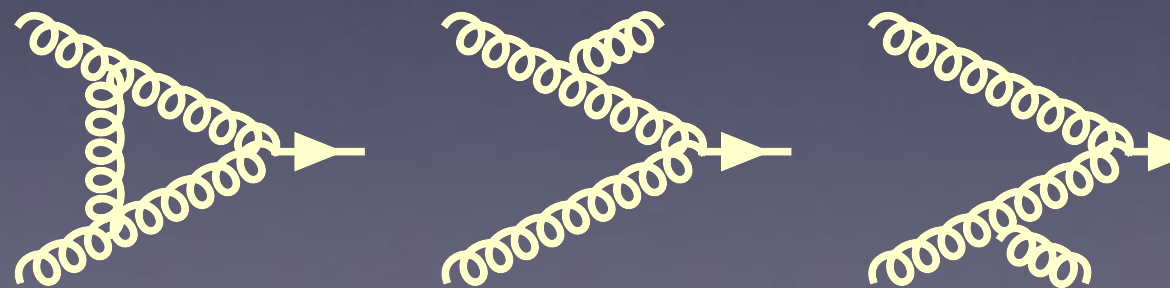
Cancel IR poles $1/\epsilon^4$ etc before anything else; hard!

Higgs production cross section in perturbation theory

Leading order prediction based on 1 simple diagram:

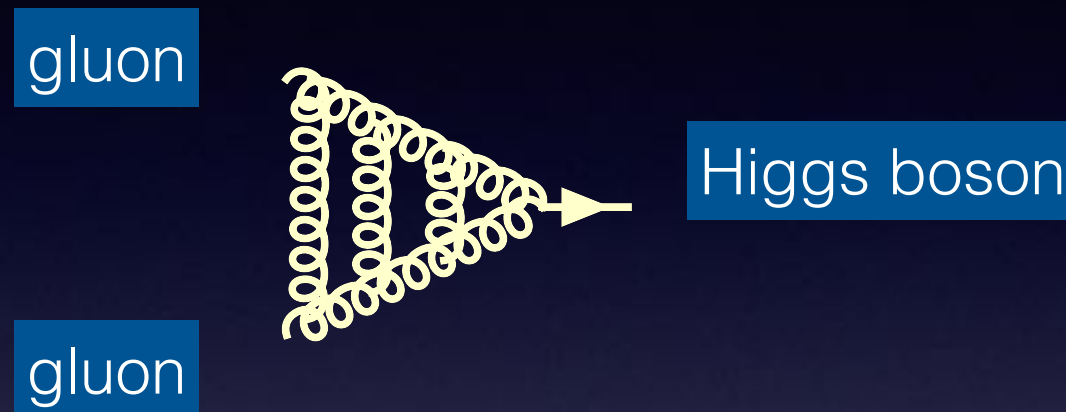


Next-to-leading order (NLO) prediction needs more:



NNNLO Higgs production

- 7 million (3-loop) Feynman diagrams



- Each needs powerful algebra, and requires advanced mathematical methods
- Total: 2 months on 25000 computers in parallel

FORM computer algebra program

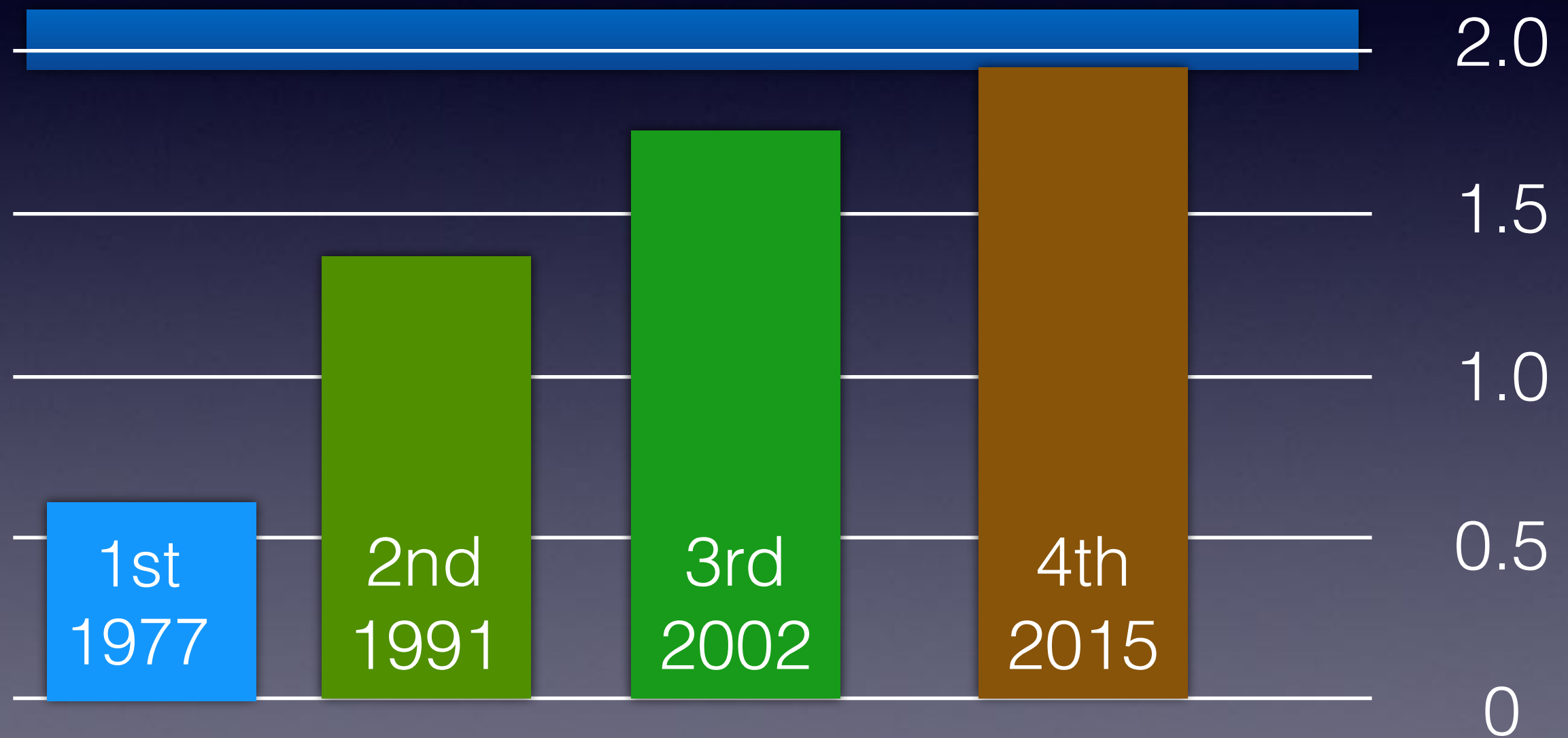
- Extraordinarily powerful, vital for collider physics calculations
 - developed by Jos Vermaseren@Nikhef over 30 years, written in C
 - Successor to Veltman's Schoonschip programme
 - Now open source, various contributors



Perturbative orders Higgs production cross section

Millions of Higgs bosons in the LHC

Measurement by ATLAS and CMS



Modern methods for loop integrals



Feynman parameters

- ♦ Standard one-loop master formula in DimReg

$$\int \frac{d^n l}{(2\pi)^n} \frac{1}{[l^2 - M^2 + i\varepsilon]^s} = \frac{i\pi^{n/2}}{(2\pi)^n} (-)^s \frac{\Gamma(s - n/2)}{\Gamma(s)} (M^2 - i\varepsilon)^{n/2-s}$$

- ▶ Notice the Gamma functions..
- ♦ To use it, need an expression with 1 denominator. Great trick by Feynman:

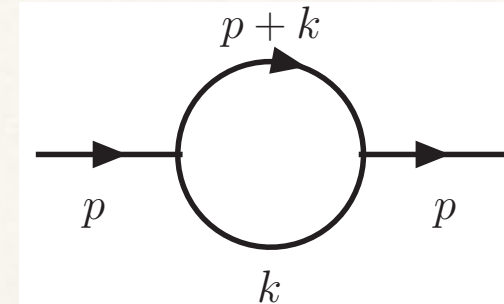
$$\frac{1}{AB} = \int_0^1 dx \frac{1}{[xA + (1-x)B]^2}$$

- ▶ Full generalization

$$\frac{1}{A_1^{\alpha_1} A_2^{\alpha_2} \cdots A_r^{\alpha_r}} = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \cdots + \alpha_r)}{\Gamma(\alpha_1) \Gamma(\alpha_2) \cdots \Gamma(\alpha_r)} \\ \times \int_0^1 dx_1 \cdots dx_r \frac{x_1^{\alpha_1-1} x_2^{\alpha_2-1} \cdots x_r^{\alpha_r-1} \delta(1 - x_1 - x_2 - \cdots - x_r)}{[x_1 A_1 + x_2 A_2 + \cdots + x_r A_r]^{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \cdots + \alpha_r}}$$

Feynman parameter example

- ◆ Consider self-energy integral in scalar ϕ^3 theory
- ◆ Loop integral



$$\int \frac{d^n k}{(2\pi)^n} \frac{1}{[k^2 - m^2][(k+p)^2 - m^2]} = \int_0^1 dx \int \frac{d^n k}{(2\pi)^n} \frac{1}{[k^2 + 2xp \cdot k + xp^2 - m^2]^2}$$

- ▶ Can do the k -integral now, after completing the square ($k' = k + xp$), using the standard formula
 - ◆ Result
- $$\frac{i\pi^{n/2}}{(2\pi)^n} \frac{\Gamma(2 - n/2)}{\Gamma(2)} \int_0^1 dx [m^2 - x(1-x)p^2]^{n/2-2}$$
- ◆ Dimensional regularisation $n = 4 - 2\epsilon$

▶

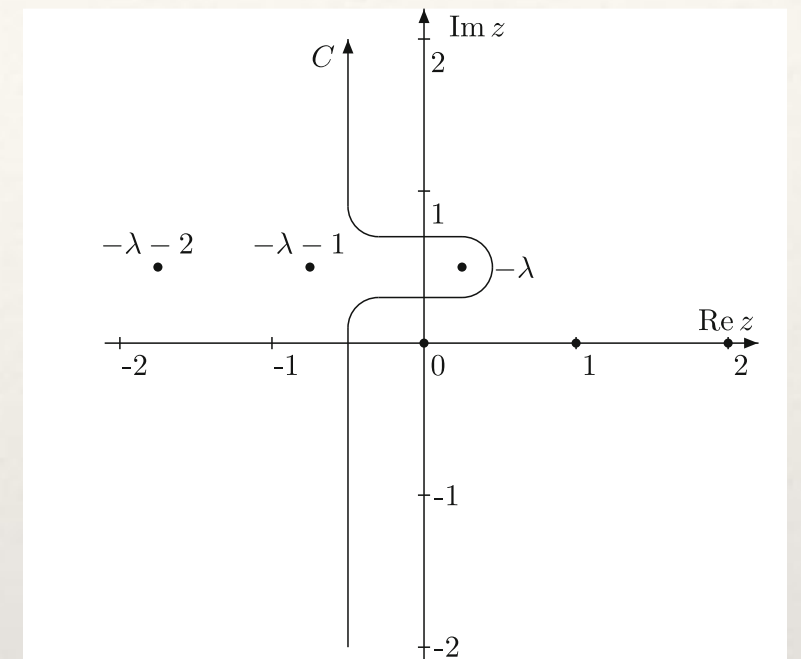
Mellin Barnes representation

- But for some integrals one would like to do the opposite, and factorize the expression

$$\frac{1}{(X+Y)^\lambda} = \frac{1}{2\pi i \Gamma(\lambda)} \int_{-i\infty}^{+i\infty} dz \Gamma(\lambda+z) \Gamma(-z) \frac{1}{X^{\lambda+z} Y^{-z}}$$

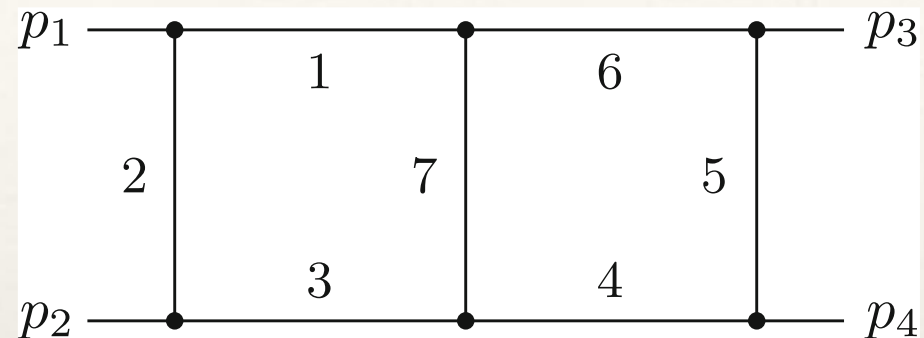
- With contour swinging between two series of poles
- Contour can be closed either to right or left

- E.g. for $\lambda = 1$ write the left hand side as $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-)^n \frac{Y^n}{X^{n+1}}$
- Close contour on right, so that result involves sum of residues of $\Gamma(-z)$ at $z = 0, 1, 2, \dots$
- Use that residue at $z = n$ equals $(-)^n / n!$, and identity follows
- MB representation can really help with computing difficult integrals



Double box

- ♦ A breakthrough case was the double box integral, computed by Smirnov in 1999



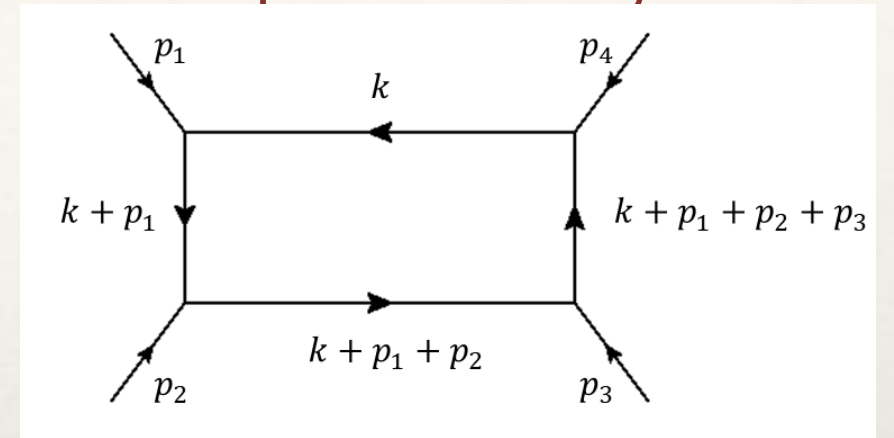
$$K(x, \epsilon) = K_{0t}(x, \epsilon) + K_{1t}(x, \epsilon) + o(\epsilon)$$

$$K_{0t}(x, \epsilon) = -\frac{4}{\epsilon^4} + \frac{5 \ln x}{\epsilon^3} - \left(2 \ln^2 x - \frac{5}{2} \pi^2\right) \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \\ - \left(\frac{2}{3} \ln^3 x + \frac{11}{2} \pi^2 \ln x - \frac{65}{3} \zeta(3)\right) \frac{1}{\epsilon} + \frac{4}{3} \ln^4 x + 6 \pi^2 \ln^2 x - \frac{88}{3} \zeta(3) \ln x + \frac{29}{30} \pi^4$$

Differential equations for loops

- Method to compute loop diagrams as solutions to DE, with “simple” boundary conditions
- Example: 1-loop massless box integral

$$I_{box} = \frac{\mu^{2\epsilon}}{i\pi^{n/2}r_\Gamma} \int d^n k \frac{1}{k^2(k+p_1)^2(k+p_1+p_2)^2(k+p_1+p_2+p_3)^2}$$



- Integral can be done using 3 Feynman parameters. Result

$$I_{box} = \frac{\mu^{2\epsilon}}{st} \left[\frac{2}{\epsilon^2} ((-s)^{-\epsilon} + (-t)^{-\epsilon}) - \pi^2 - \ln^2(s/t) + O(\epsilon) \right]$$

$$s = 2p_1 \cdot p_2, \quad t = 2p_1 \cdot p_3$$

- Define family of box integrals

$$G_{a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4} = \frac{\mu^{2\epsilon}}{i\pi^{n/2}r_\Gamma} \int d^n k \frac{1}{[k^2]^{a_1} [(k+p_1)^2]^{a_2} [(k+p_1+p_2)^2]^{a_3} [(k+p_1+p_2+p_3)^2]^{a_4}}$$

- i.e. $I_{box} = G_{1111}$

IBP identities

- ♦ IBP = Integration By Parts
- ♦ Can derive recursion relations for $G_{a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4}$ using

$$0 = \int d^D k \frac{\partial}{\partial k^\mu} \xi^\mu \frac{1}{[k^2]^{a_1} [(k + p_1)^2]^{a_2} [(k + p_1 + p_2)^2]^{a_3} [(k + p_1 + p_2 + p_3)^2]^{a_4}}$$

- ♦ which leads to

$$(D - a_1 - 2a_2 - a_3 - a_4) G_{a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4} - a_1 G_{a_1+1, a_2-1, a_3, a_4} - a_2 G_{a_1, a_2+1, a_3, a_4} - a_3 G_{a_1, a_2-1, a_3+1, a_4} - a_4 G_{a_1, a_2-1, a_3, a_4+1} = 0$$

- and a few others
- ♦ There are then a few “Master integrals” from which the rest of the family can be derived

$$f_1 = G_{0101}, \quad f_2 = G_{1010}, \quad f_3 = G_{1111}$$

- Notice that the first two are bubble integrals

Differential equation

- Define differential operator

$$\partial_s = (\beta_1 p_1 + \beta_2 p_2 + \beta_3 p_3) \partial_{p_1} \quad \beta_1 = \frac{2s+t}{2s(s+t)}, \quad \beta_2 = \frac{1}{2s}, \quad \beta_3 = \frac{1}{2(s+t)}$$

- Using IBP's one can derive

$$\partial_s \vec{f}(s, t, \epsilon) = A_s(s, t, \epsilon) \vec{f}(s, t, \epsilon)$$

$$A_s = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{\epsilon}{s} & 0 \\ \frac{-2(1-2\epsilon)}{st(s+t)} & \frac{2(1-2\epsilon)}{s^2(s+t)} & -\frac{s+t+\epsilon t}{s(s+t)} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Choose a different (canonical, Henn) basis

$$g_1 = c(-s)^\epsilon t G_{0,1,0,2} = c(-s)^\epsilon (1-2\epsilon) G_{0,1,0,1}$$

$$g_2 = c(-s)^\epsilon s G_{1,0,2,0} = c(-s)^\epsilon (1-2\epsilon) G_{1,0,1,0}$$

$$g_3 = c\epsilon(-s)^\epsilon st G_{1,1,1,1}$$

- And use $x = t/s$ with $\partial_x = (-s^2/t) \partial_s$ to derive

$$\partial_x \vec{g}(x, \epsilon) = \epsilon \left[\frac{a}{x} - \frac{b}{1+x} \right] \vec{g}(x, \epsilon)$$

$$a = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$b = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Note that the rhs is proportional to ϵ !
- Such a basis can in very many cases be found

Solution to differential equation

- ♦ The canonical basis is the best one to solve the differential equation

- ♦ Bubble integrals:
$$G_{1,0,2,0} = \frac{\Gamma(1+\epsilon)}{\epsilon s(-s)^\epsilon} \frac{\Gamma^2(1-\epsilon)}{\Gamma(1-2\epsilon)}$$

$$G_{0,1,0,2} = \frac{\Gamma(1+\epsilon)}{\epsilon t(-t)^\epsilon} \frac{\Gamma^2(1-\epsilon)}{\Gamma(1-2\epsilon)}$$

- i.e. g_1, g_2 known

- ♦ Now write the g 's as Laurent series in ϵ :
$$\vec{g} = \sum_{k \geq 0} \epsilon^k \vec{g}^{(k)}(x)$$

- and substitute into differential equation

- ♦ Because of the ϵ factor on the right, one has the structure

$$\partial_x g_3^{(i)} = F[g_k^{(i-1)}]$$

- Special kinematic values for the master integrals are the boundary conditions.

- Now integrate per i-value, to reconstruct the box integral g_3 to arbitrary power of ϵ as iterated integrals

- ♦ Highly powerful method, much used by the loop specialists

Iterated integrals

- ♦ Solutions contain iterated integrals

- ♦ They take the general form

$$G(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n; z) = \int_0^z \frac{dt_1}{t_1 - a_1} \int_0^{t_1} \frac{dt_2}{t_2 - a_2} \cdots$$

- “Goncharov” or multiple polylogarithms (MPL’s)
- ♦ MPL’s were recently found to obey interesting properties
 - shuffle algebra ($A \otimes A \rightarrow A$)
 - Hopf algebra with co-product ($A \rightarrow A \otimes A$)
- ♦ A bit formal, but very useful to find lots of identities among these functions

Special function relations can really help

♦ Example of such relations

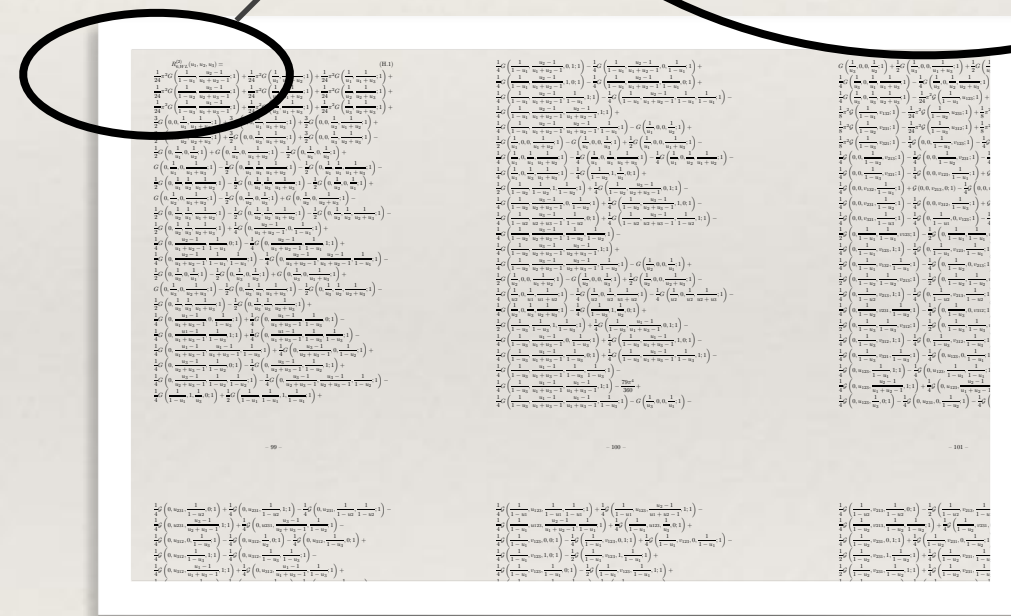
$$G\left(\frac{1}{1-z}, \frac{1}{1-z}, 1, \frac{1}{1-z}; 1\right) = 3 \operatorname{Li}_4(z) - 2 \ln(z) \operatorname{Li}_3(z) + \frac{1}{2} \ln^2(z) \operatorname{Li}_2(z) + \frac{1}{24} \ln^4(z) - \zeta(3) \ln(z) - 3 \zeta(4)$$

♦ Remarkable benefit (2-loop hexagon function)

- First result 17 pages of formulas, full of MPL's
- After using MPL identities

$$R_{6,WL}^{(2)}(u_1, u_2, u_3) = \sum_{i=1}^3 \left(L_4(x_i^+, x_i^-) - \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Li}_4\left(1 - \frac{1}{u_i}\right) \right) - \frac{1}{8} \left(\sum_{i=1}^3 \operatorname{Li}_2\left(1 - \frac{1}{u_i}\right) \right)^2 + \frac{J^4}{24} + \chi \frac{\pi^2}{12} (J^2 + \zeta(2))$$

$$R_{6,WL}^{(2)}(u_1, u_2, u_3) = \frac{1}{24} \pi^2 G\left(\frac{1}{1-u_1}, \frac{u_2-1}{u_1+u_2-1}, \frac{1}{1}, \frac{u_3-1}{u_1+u_2-1}\right)$$



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Predictive power in Quantum Field Theory

- ♦ Observable, computed in perturbation theory

$$\hat{O} = \sum_n c_n \alpha^n + R_n$$

- ♦ Finite order: only take lowest few “ n ”. Then please complete the following checklist

☒ α is small enough?

☒ Is R_n small enough ?

☒ c_n : does it not grow too fast with n ?

- ♦ **Here we worry about the last check.**

- ♦ Hadronic observable is then convolution of PDFs and partonic cross section

$$O_H = \sum_{i=q,..} \phi_i(\mu) \otimes \hat{O}_i(\mu)$$

☒ If any of these steps is a weak link, try to update it

Perturbative series in QFT

- Typical perturbative behavior of observable

$$\hat{O}_2 = 1 + \alpha(L^2 + L + 1) + \alpha^2(L^4 + L^3 + L^2 + L + 1) + \dots$$
 - α is the coupling of the theory (QCD, QED, ..)
 - L is some numerically large logarithm
 - "1" = π^2 , $\ln(2)$, anything not-logarithmic
 - Notice: **effective expansion parameter is αL^2 i.e. a problem when >1 !!**
 - Fix:** reorganize/resum terms such that

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{O} &= 1 + \alpha_s(L^2 + L + 1) + \alpha_s^2(L^4 + L^3 + L^2 + L + 1) + \dots \\ &= \exp \left(\underbrace{\underbrace{Lg_1(\alpha_s L)}_{LL} + g_2(\alpha_s L) + \alpha_s g_3(\alpha_s L) + \dots}_{NLL} \right) \underbrace{C(\alpha_s)}_{\text{constants}} \\ &\quad + \text{suppressed terms} \end{aligned}$$

- Notice the definition of LL, NLL, etc

LL, NLL,... and matching to fixed order

- Leading-log, next-to-leading log, etc

- Schematic overview

$$O = \alpha_s^p \left(\underbrace{\underbrace{C_0}_{\text{LL,NLL}} + C_1 \alpha_s + \dots}_{\text{NNLL}} \right) \exp \left[\underbrace{\underbrace{\left(\sum_{n=1} \alpha_s^n L^{n+1} c_n \right)}_{\text{LL}} + \underbrace{\left(\sum_{n=1} \alpha_s^n L^n d_n \right)}_{\text{NLL}} + \underbrace{\left(\sum_{n=1} \alpha_s^n L^{n-1} e_n \right)}_{\text{NNLL}} + \dots \right]$$

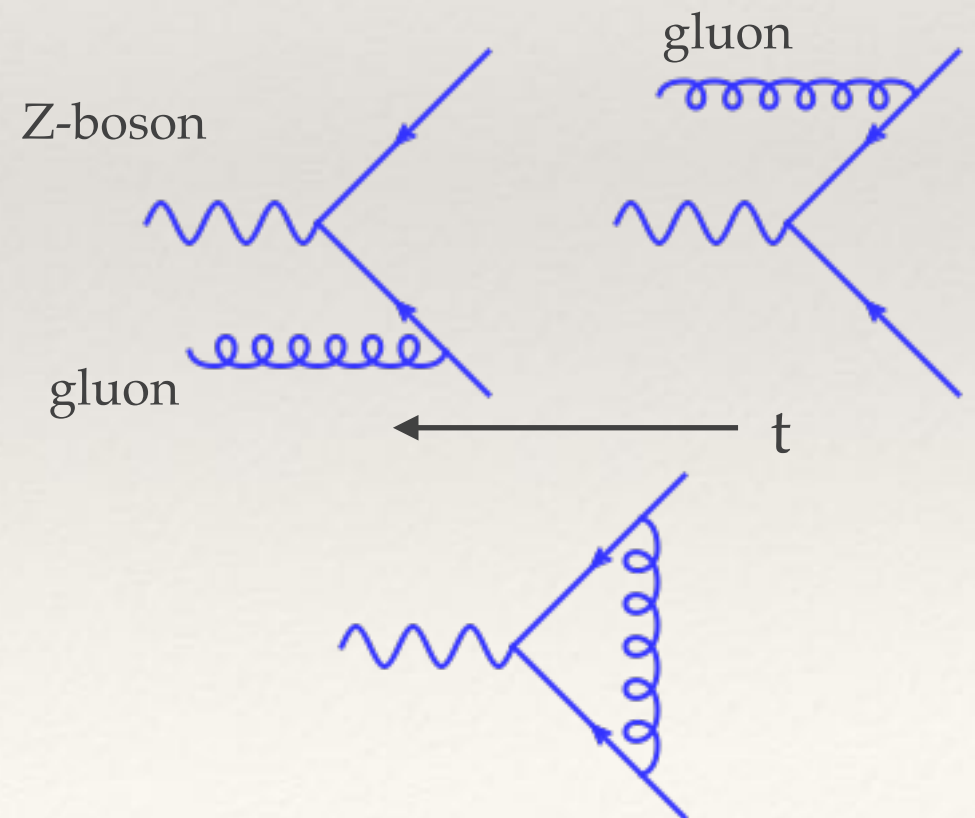
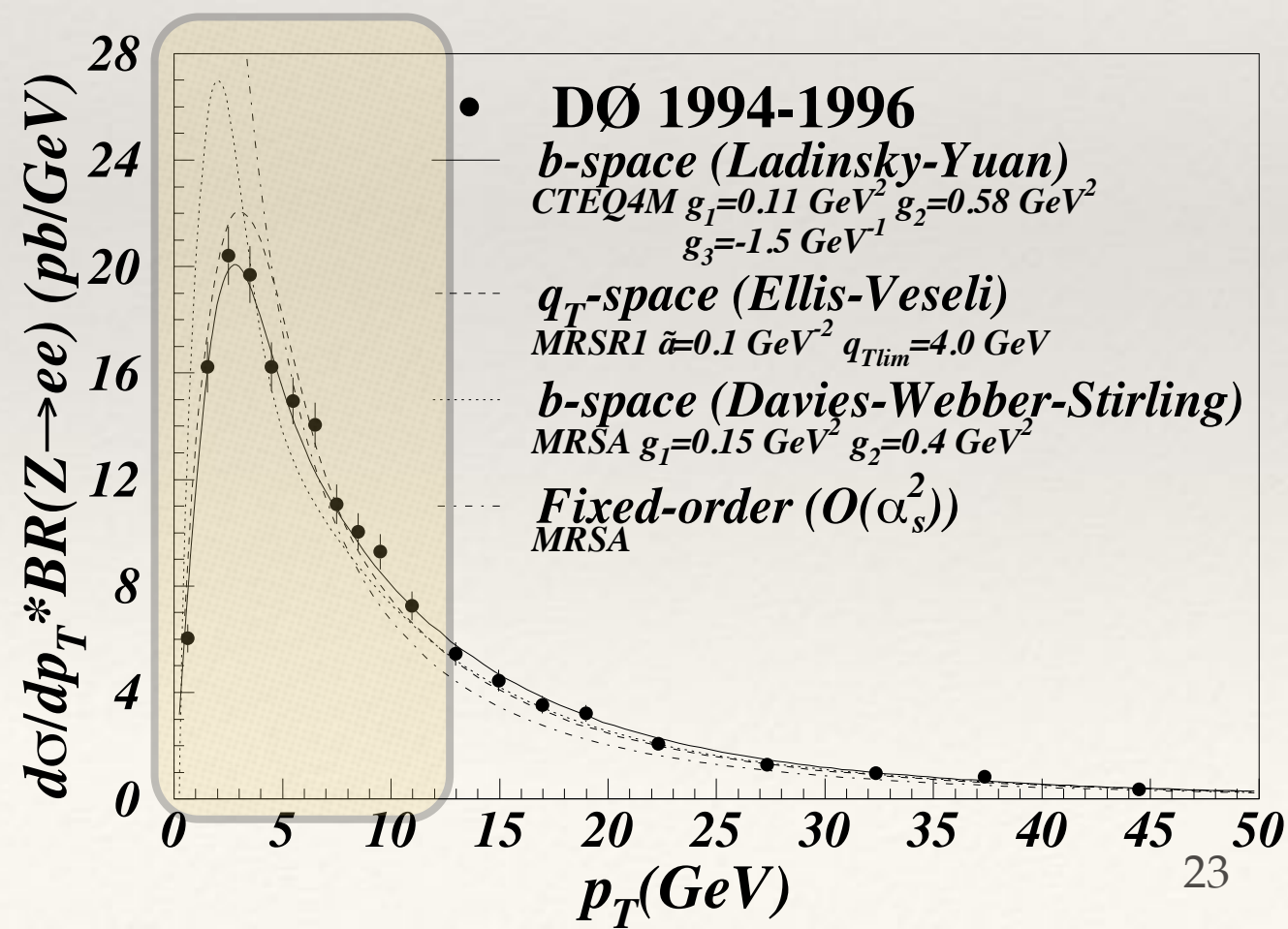
- Systematic expansion in α_s in the exponent
 - ✓ If we can find the coefficients c_n, d_n, e_n, C_0, C_1 etc
 - How to combine this with an exact NLO or NNLO calculation?

$$O_{\text{NLO matched}} = O_{\text{NLO}} + O_{\text{resummed}} - (O_{\text{resummed}}) \Big|_{\text{expanded to } \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)}$$

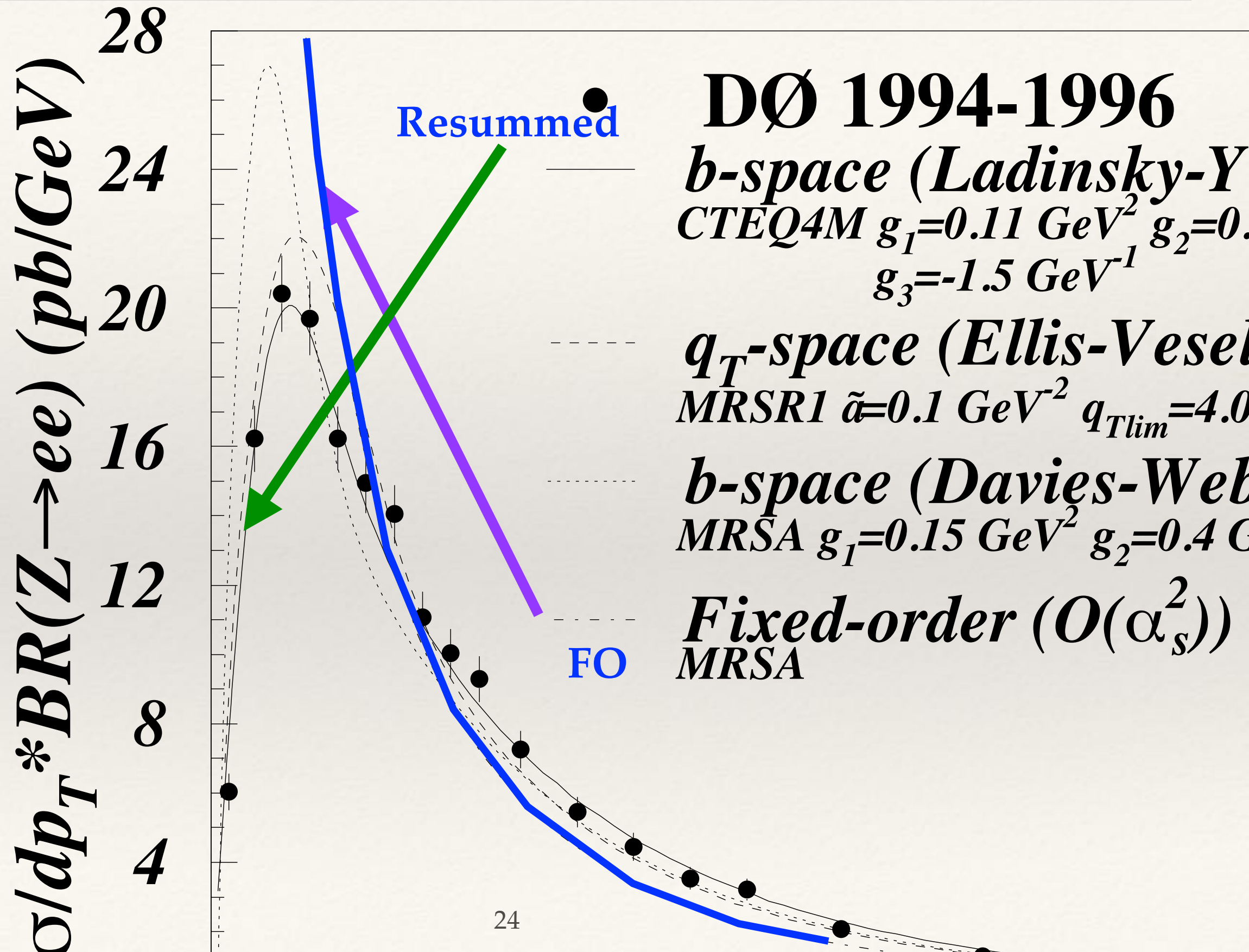
Logs of what? First case: double recoil logs

$$L^2 = \ln^2 (p_T^2 / M_Z^2)$$

- ♦ Eg. p_T of Z-bosons produced in hadron collisions
 - Z-boson gets p_T from recoil against (soft) gluons
 - ✓ 1 emission with gluon very soft: divergent
 - Typical: turn-over at p_T around 5 GeV is **only explained by resummation**, not by any finite order calculation



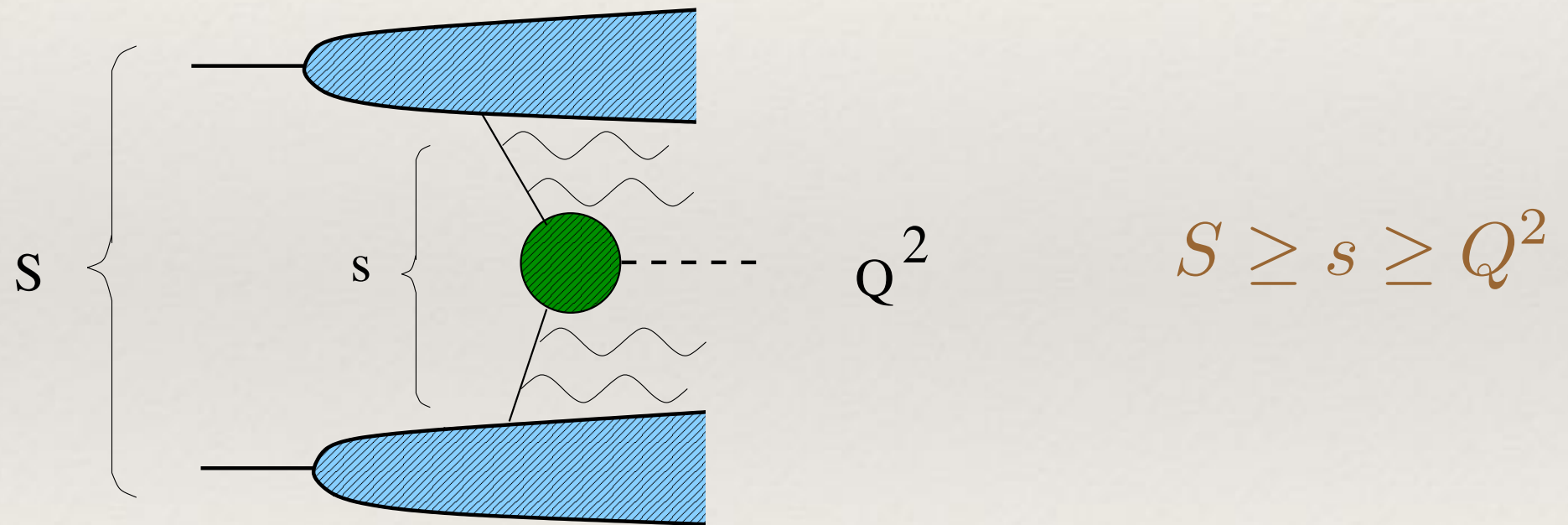
Recoil logs



Second case: threshold logarithms

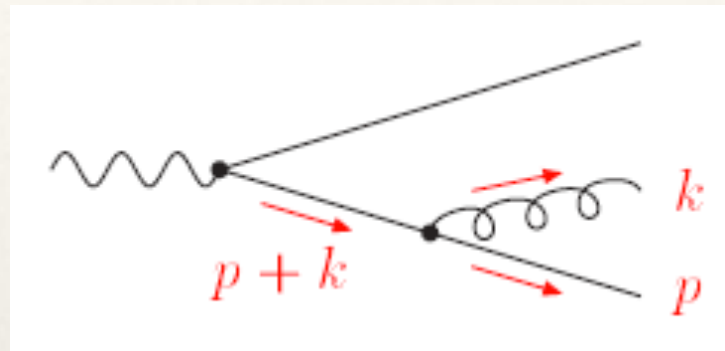
$$L^2 = \ln \left(1 - \frac{Q^2}{s} \right) \equiv \ln^2(1 - z)$$

- ♦ Logarithm² of “energy above threshold Q^2 ”
 - “Hidden” logs: have *integration variables* in arguments
 - Typical effect: enhancement of cross section



Quick look at origin of double (“Sudakov”) logs

- Double logarithms in cross sections are related to IR divergences

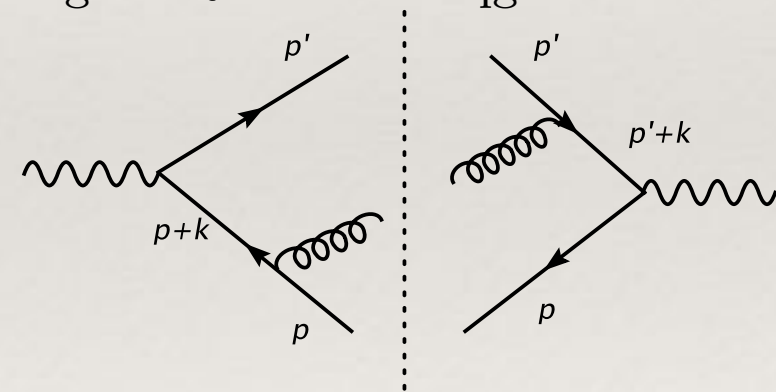


$$\frac{1}{(p+k)^2} = \frac{1}{2p \cdot k} = \frac{1}{2E_g E_q (1 - \cos \theta_{qg})}$$

Phase space integration

$$\alpha_s \int \frac{d^{4-2\epsilon} k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{p \cdot p'}{p \cdot k p' \cdot k} \sim \alpha_s \int^K \frac{dE_g E_g^{-\epsilon}}{E_g} \int \frac{d\theta_{qg} \sin^{-\epsilon} \theta_{qg}}{\theta_{qg}}$$

$$\sim \alpha_s \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon^2} + \ln^2(K) \right).$$



Benefits of resummation

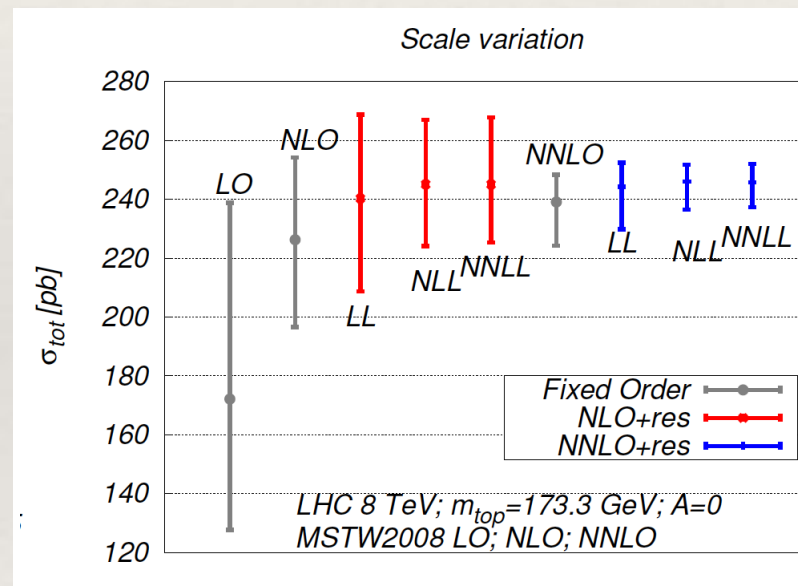
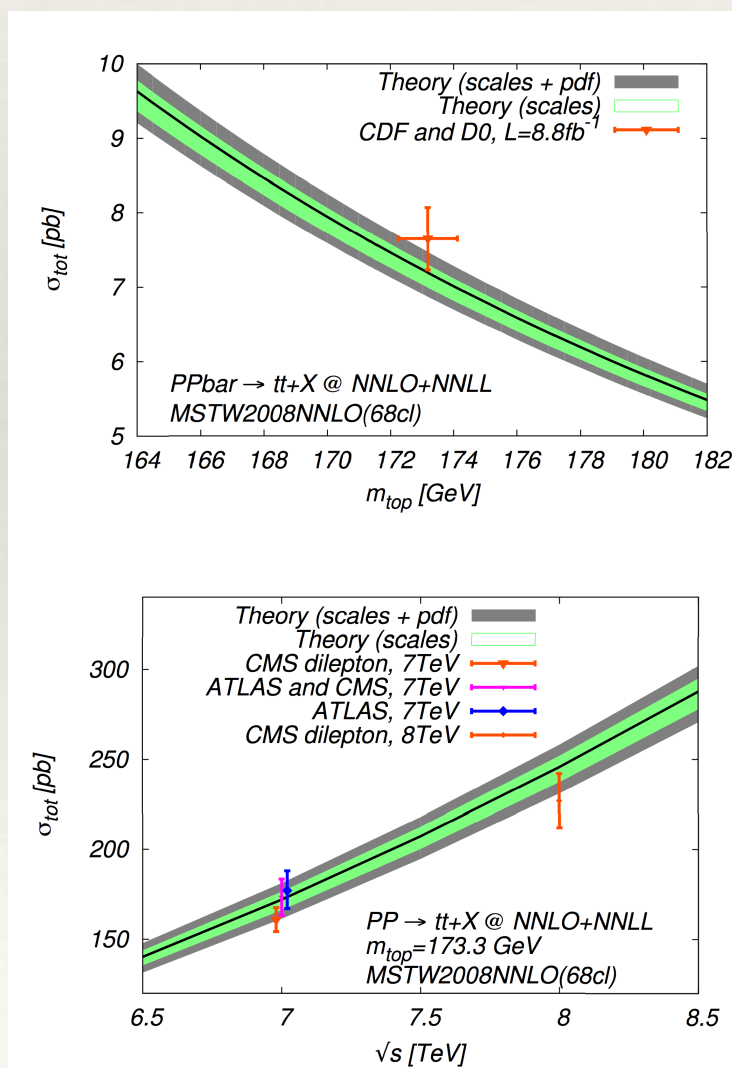
- ✦ It can rescue predictive power
 - when perturbative series converges poorly
- ✦ Better physics description (small p_T e.g., more later)
- ✦ Lessens the renormalization/factorization scale uncertainty,
 - e.g. the inclusive top quark and Higgs cross section:

NNLO-NNLL inclusive tt cross section

Baernreuther, Fiedler, Mitov, Czakon

- ♦ Highly impressive effort
 - For precision top physics
 - useful for gluon density at large x, and α_s determination

Czakon, Mitov, Mangano, Rojo



Concurrent uncertainties:

Scales $\sim 3\%$
 pdf (at 68%cl) $\sim 2\text{-}3\%$
 α_s (parametric) $\sim 1.5\%$
 m_{top} (parametric) $\sim 3\%$

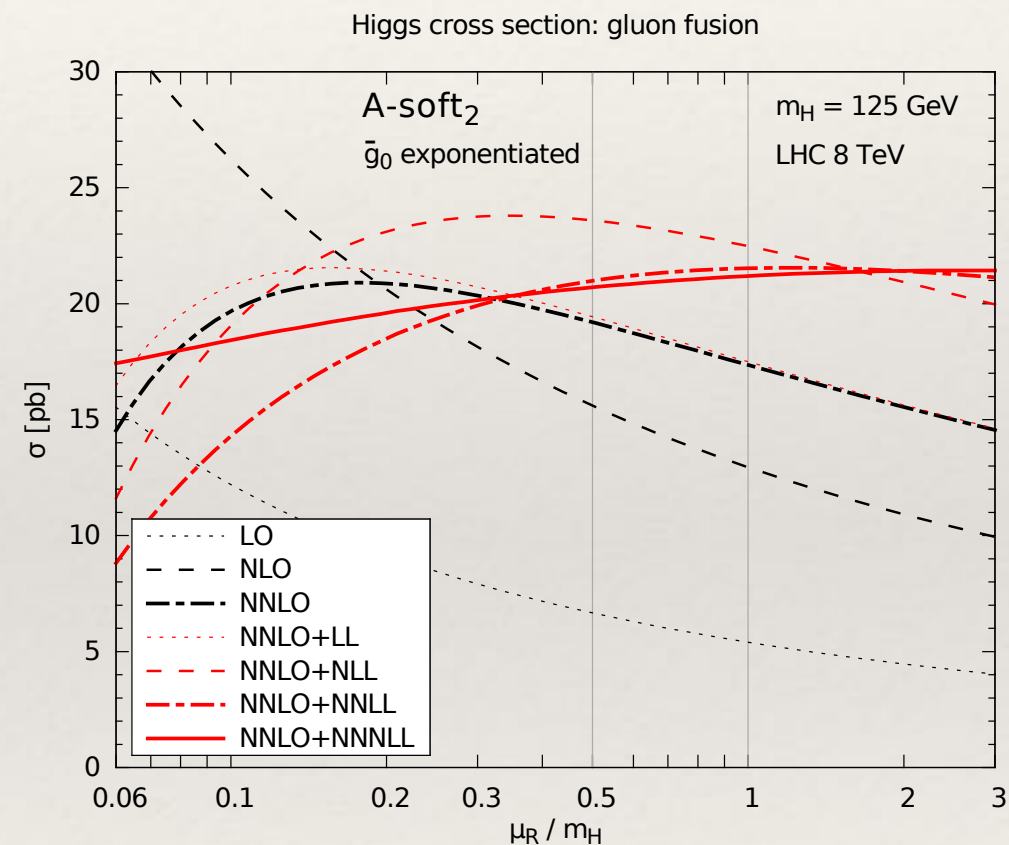
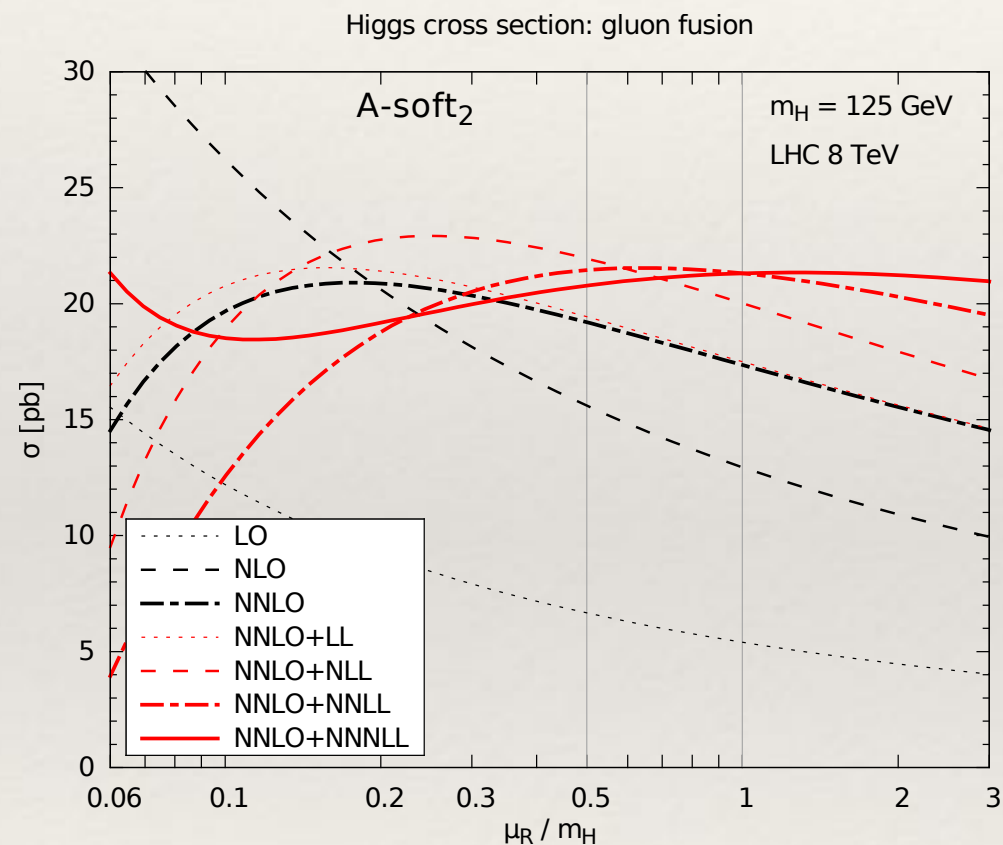
Soft gluon resummation makes a difference

5% $\rightarrow$ 3%

N³LL resummation for Higgs production

- ♦ Logarithm is again threshold logarithm
- ▶ For inverse Mellin transform, employ both Minimal Prescription and Borel prescription
- ▶ Nice progression, especially with exponentiated constants

Bonvini, Marzani



- ▶ Code: ResHiggs and ggHiggs

How to resum?

- ♦ There are many ways, depending on
 - the observable
 - the logarithm
 - the resummer
- ♦ Here we take as key notions
 - approximations in kinematic limits
 - factorization

Resummation 101

- ✦ Cross section for n extra gluons

Phase space measure Squared matrix element

$$\sigma(n) = \frac{1}{2s} \int d\Phi_{n+1}(P, k_1, \dots, k_n) \times |\mathcal{M}(P, k_1, \dots, k_n)|^2$$

- ✦ When emissions are soft, can factorize phase space measure and matrix element [[eikonal approximation](#)]

$$d\Phi_{n+1}(P, k_1, \dots, k_n) \longrightarrow d\Phi(P) \times \left(d\Phi_1(k) \right)^n \frac{1}{n!}$$

- ✦ Sum over all orders

$$|\mathcal{M}(P, k_1, \dots, k_n)|^2 \longrightarrow |\mathcal{M}(P)|^2 \times \left(|\mathcal{M}_{1 \text{ emission}}(k)|^2 \right)^n$$

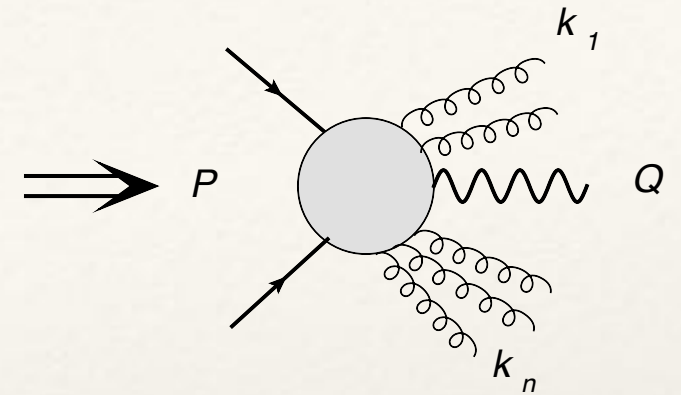
$$\sum_n \sigma(n) = \sigma(0) \times \exp \left[\int d\Phi_1(k) |\mathcal{M}_{1 \text{ emission}}(k)|^2 \right]$$

- ✦ Incorporate Theta or Delta functions in space space
 - [but these must factorize similarly, or they cannot go into exponent](#)

Phase space in resummation

- ✦ Kinematic condition expresses “z” in terms of gluon energies

$$s = Q^2 - 2P \cdot K - K^2 \quad \delta\left(1 - \frac{Q^2}{s} - \sum_i \frac{2k_i^0}{\sqrt{s}}\right)$$



- or conservation of transverse momentum

$$\delta^2(Q_T - \sum_i p_T^i)$$

- ✦ Transform (e.g. Laplace/Mellin or Fourier) factorizes the phase space

$$\int_0^\infty dw e^{-wN} \delta\left(w - \sum_i w_i\right) = \prod_i \exp(-w_i N)$$

$$\int d^2 Q_T e^{ib \cdot Q_T} \delta^2(Q_T - \sum_i p_T^i) = \prod_i e^{ib \cdot p_T^i}$$

- ✦ So can go into exponent

$$\sum_n \sigma(n) = \sigma(0) \times \exp \left[\int d\Phi_1(k) |\mathcal{M}_{1 \text{ emission}}(k)|^2 (\exp(-wN) - 1) \right]$$

- Large logs: $\ln(N)$ or $\ln(bQ)$

Resummation from factorization

- ♦ Very generically, if a quantity factorizes, one can resum it
 - First a toy example: product of two function, with x and μ in common:

$$C(a, b, x) = f(a, x, \mu) \times g(b, x, \mu)$$

- Take logarithm

$$\ln C(a, b, x) = \ln f(a, x, \mu) + \ln g(b, x, \mu)$$

- Take derivative w.r.t. μ

$$\mu \frac{d}{d\mu} \ln f(a, x, \mu) = -\mu \frac{d}{d\mu} \ln g(b, x, \mu) \equiv \gamma(x, \mu)$$

- Note: γ can only depend on common variables

- Solve

$$f(a, x, \mu) = f(a, x, \mu_0) \exp \left[- \int_{\mu_0}^{\mu} \frac{d\mu'}{\mu'} \gamma(x, \mu') \right]$$

- Resummation!

Resummation and factorization

- ♦ Factorization is actually separation of degrees of freedom

- Renormalization; factorizes UV modes into Z-factor

$$G_B(g_B, \Lambda, p) = Z\left(\frac{\Lambda}{\mu}, g_R(\mu)\right) \times G_R\left(g_R(\mu), \frac{p}{\mu}\right)$$

- Evolution equation (here RG equation)

$$\mu \frac{d}{d\mu} \ln G_R\left(g_R(\mu), \frac{p}{\mu}\right) = -\mu \frac{d}{d\mu} \ln Z\left(\frac{\Lambda}{\mu}, g_R(\mu)\right) = \gamma(g_R(\mu))$$

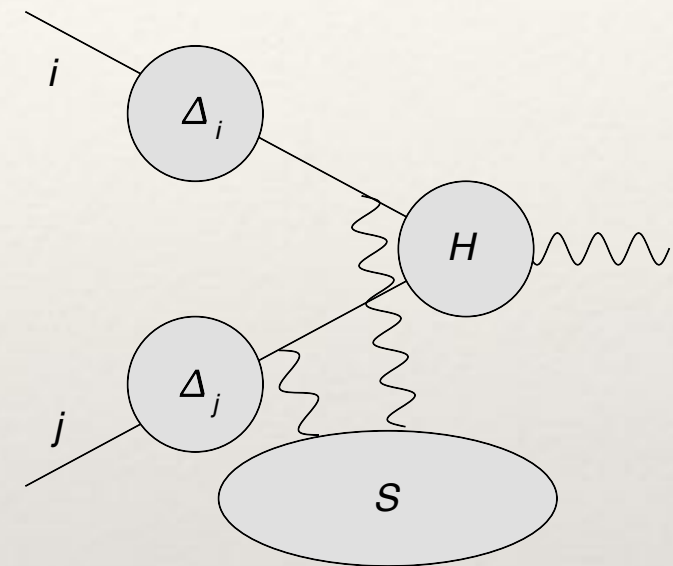
- Solving = resumming

$$G_R\left(\frac{p}{\mu}, g_R(\mu)\right) = G_R(1, g_R(p)) \underbrace{\exp\left[\int_p^\mu \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda} \gamma(g_R(\lambda))\right]}_{\text{resummed}}$$

Factorization and resummation for Drell-Yan

$$\sigma(N) = \Delta(N, \mu, \xi_1) \Delta(N, \mu, \xi_2) S(N, \mu, \xi_1, \xi_2) H(\mu)$$

- ◆ Near threshold, cross section is equivalent to product of 4 well-defined functions
- ◆ Demand independence of
 - renormalization scale μ
 - gauge dependence parameter ξ
 - ✓ find exponent of double logarithm



$$0 = \mu \frac{d}{d\mu} \sigma(N) = \xi_1 \frac{d}{d\xi_1} \sigma(N) = \xi_2 \frac{d}{d\xi_2} \sigma(N)$$

Contopanagos, EL, Sterman

$$\Delta = \exp\left[\int \frac{d\mu}{\mu} \int \frac{d\xi}{\xi} \dots\right]$$

Factorization for threshold resummation

- ✦ $\Delta_i(N)$: initial state soft+collinear radiation effects

- real+virtual

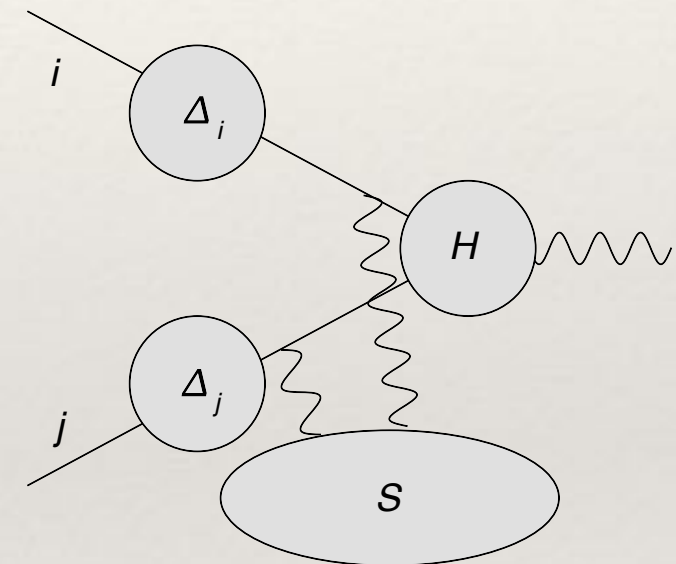
- $\alpha_s^n \ln^{2n} N$

$$\sigma(N) = \sum_{ij} \phi_i(N) \phi_j(N) \times \underbrace{\left[\Delta_i(N) \Delta_j(N) S_{ij}(N) H_{ij} \right]}_{\hat{\sigma}_{ij}(N)}$$

- ✦ $S_{ij}(N)$: soft, non-collinear radiation effects

- $\alpha_s^n \ln^n N$

- ✦ H : hard function, no soft and collinear effects



$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_i(N) &= \exp \left[\ln N \frac{C_F}{2\pi b_0 \lambda} \{2\lambda + (1 - 2\lambda) \ln(1 - 2\lambda)\} + .. \right] \\ &= \exp \left[\frac{2\alpha_s C_F}{\pi} \ln^2 N + .. \right] \end{aligned}$$

Threshold resummed Drell-Yan/Higgs cross section

Sterman; Catani, Trentadue

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d\sigma^{\text{resum}}}{dQ^2}(z) &= \int_C \frac{dN}{2\pi i} z^{-N} \hat{\sigma}(N) \\ \sigma(N) &= \exp \left[- \int_0^1 dx \frac{x^{N-1} - 1}{1-x} \left\{ \int_{Q^2}^{Q^2(1-x)^2} \frac{d\mu}{\mu} A(\alpha_s(\mu)) \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + D(\alpha_s((1-x)Q)) \right\} \right] \times \left(1 + \alpha_s(Q^2) \frac{C_F}{\pi} + \dots \right)\end{aligned}$$

Note: functions in exponent only depend on α_s

Resummation and factorization

- ♦ Type of factorization dictates resummation

- small x $[\ln(x)] \rightarrow k_T$ factorization

- ✓ Regge, High-Energy, ..

- large x $[\ln^2(1-x)] \rightarrow$ near-threshold factorization

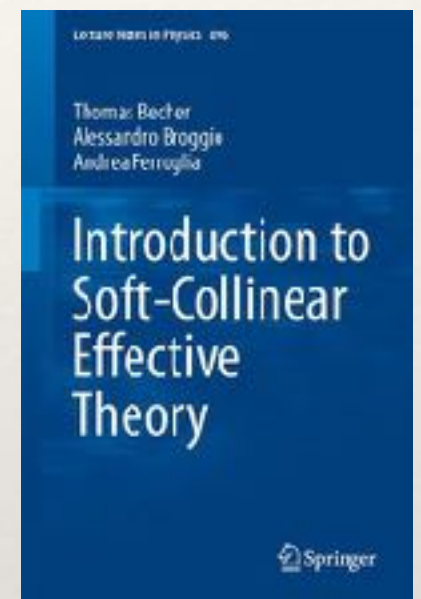
- ✓ Threshold, Sudakov

- ♦ Systematic approach in Soft Collinear Effective Theory [SCET]

- powerful framework, with many results

Bauer, Fleming, Pirjol, Stewart, ..

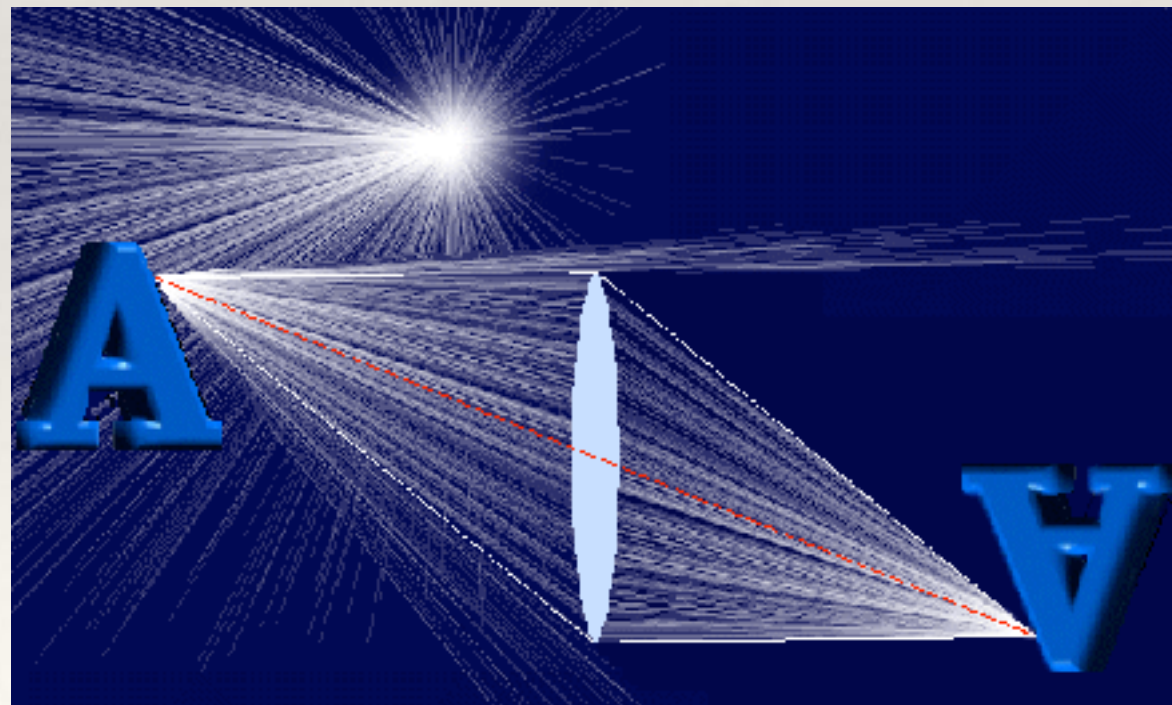
Beneke, Chapovsky, Diehl, Feldmann
Becher



Background: the eikonal approximation

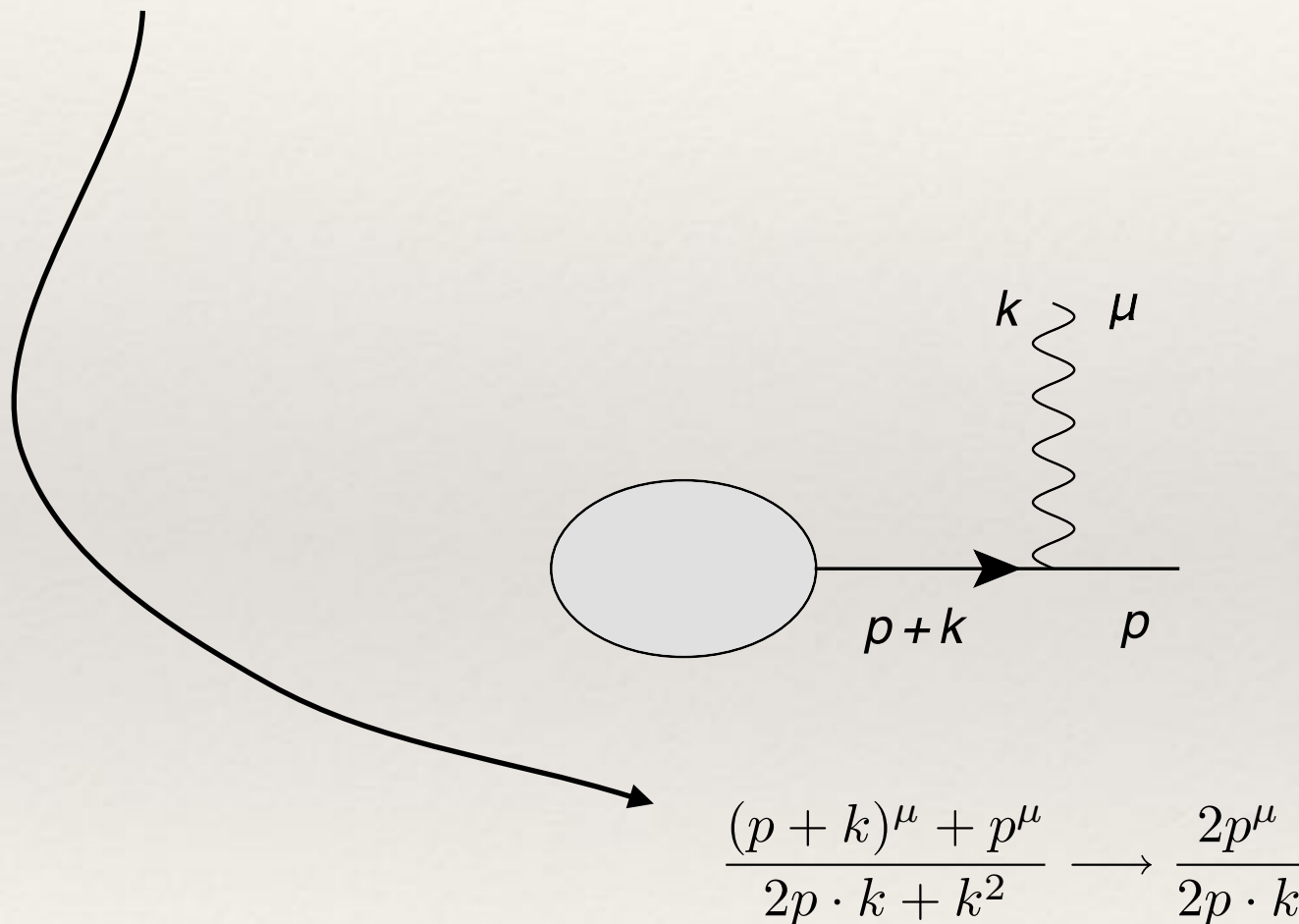
Eikonal optics: rays

- ♦ Can describe formation of images/eikons
 - wavelength $\ll$ size of scatterer
- ♦ Cannot describe diffraction, polarization etc
 - these are wave phenomena
- ♦ In quantum field theory the eikonal approximation reveals more

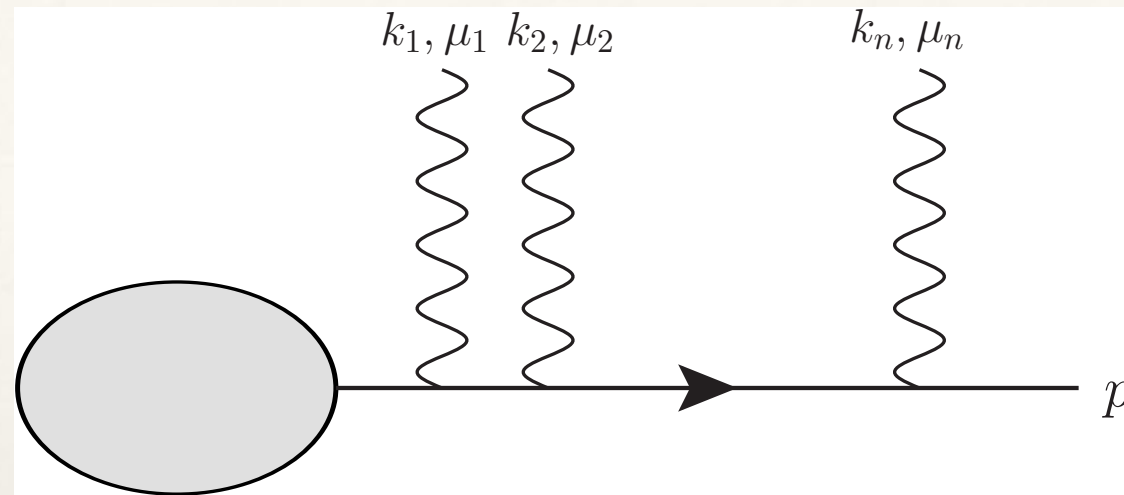


Eikonal approximation in QED

- ◆ Charged particle emits soft photon
 - Propagator: expand numerator & denominator in soft momentum, keep lowest order
 - Vertex: expand in soft momentum, keep lowest order



Basics of eikonal approximation in QED



Exact:
$$\frac{1}{(p + K_1)^2} (2p + K_2 + K_1)^{\mu_1} \dots \frac{1}{(p + K_n)^2} (2p + K_n)^{\mu_n}, \quad K_i = \sum_{m=i}^n k_m.$$

Approx:
$$\frac{1}{2pK_1} 2p^{\mu_1} \dots \frac{1}{2pK_n} 2p^{\mu_n}$$

Eikonal identity:
$$\frac{1}{p \cdot (k_1 + k_2) p \cdot k_2} + \frac{1}{p \cdot (k_1 + k_2) p \cdot k_1} = \frac{1}{p \cdot k_1 p \cdot k_2}$$

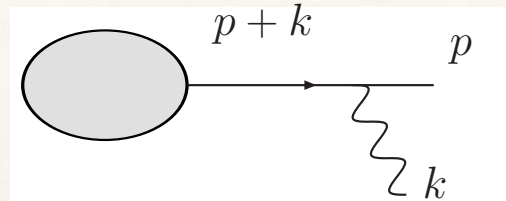
Sum over all perm's:
$$\prod_i \frac{p^{\mu_i}}{p \cdot k_i}.$$

Independent, uncorrelated emissions, Poisson process

Eikonal approximation: no dependence on emitter spin

- ✦ Emitter spin becomes irrelevant in eikonal approximation

- Fermion



$$M(\frac{i(\not{p} + \not{k})}{(p + k)^2} (-ig_s \gamma^\mu) u(p)$$

- Approximate, and use Dirac equation $\not{p}u(p) = 0$

- Result:

$$g(M u(p)) \times \frac{p^\mu}{p \cdot k}$$

- Two things have happened

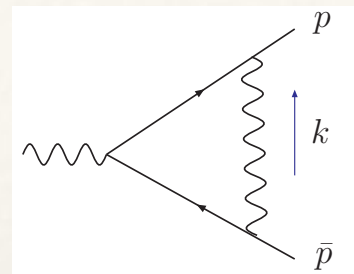
- ✓ No sign of emitter spin anymore
- ✓ Coupling of photon proportional to p^μ !

- ✦ Decoupling again of emission and emitter

Eikonal exponentiation

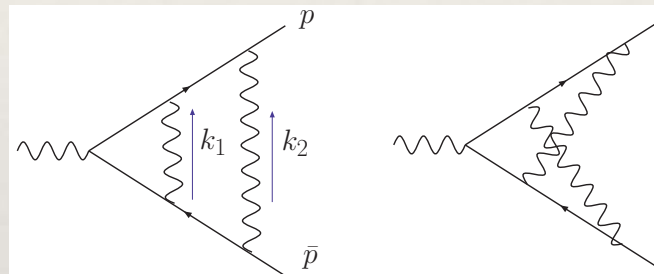
- ✦ In the eikonal approximation, suddenly we see very interesting patterns.

One loop vertex correction, in eikonal approximation



$$\mathcal{A}_0 \int d^n k \frac{1}{k^2} \frac{p \cdot \bar{p}}{(p \cdot k)(\bar{p} \cdot k)}$$

Two loop vertex correction, in eikonal approximation



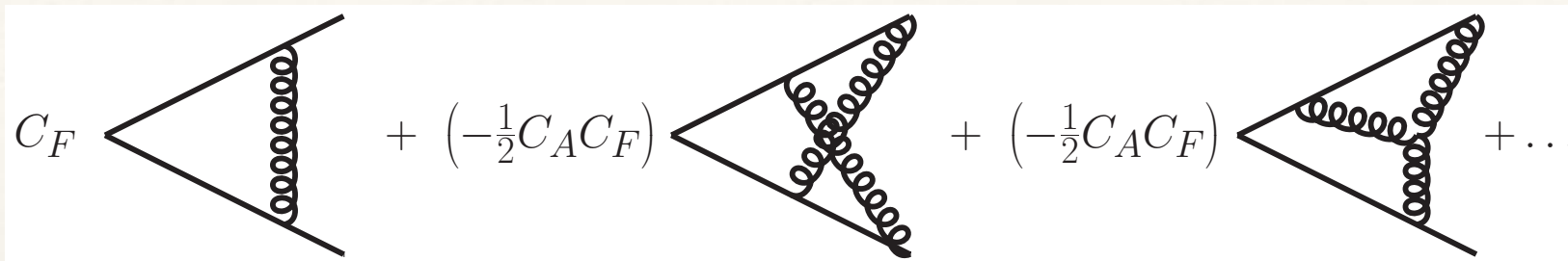
$$\mathcal{A}_0 \frac{1}{2} \left(\int d^n k \frac{1}{k^2} \frac{p \cdot \bar{p}}{(p \cdot k)(\bar{p} \cdot k)} \right)^2$$

Exponential series! A really beautiful result

$$+ \dots = \exp \left[\text{tree-level diagram} \right]$$

Yennie, Frautschi, Suura

QCD exponentiation: webs

$$\text{Exp} \left[C_F \triangle + \left(-\frac{1}{2}C_A C_F\right) \triangle + \left(-\frac{1}{2}C_A C_F\right) \triangle + \dots \right]$$


- Not immediately generalizable to QCD, seemingly
 - Vertices terms have color charges, which don't commute
 - Still, an exponentiation theorem holds

$$\sum_D \mathcal{F}_D C_D = \exp \left[\sum_i \bar{C}_i w_i \right] \quad \text{Webs}$$

Gatheral; Frenkel, Taylor; Sterman
EL, Stavenga, White

- Generalized to multiple colored external lines
 - For N(N..)LL resummation for jet cross sections, e.g.

Gardi, EL, Stavenga, White

Mitov, Sterman, Sung

Soft logarithms at next-to-leading power

- ♦ General soft expansion for $2 \rightarrow 1$ processes

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dz} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \right)^n \sum_{m=0}^{2n-1} \left\{ c_{nm}^{(-1)} \frac{\log^m(1-z)}{1-z} \Big|_+ + c_{nm}^{(0)} \log^m(1-z) + \dots \right\}$$

- ♦ First term resummed well understood (NNNLL etc)
- ♦ NLP logarithms $\log^i(1-x)$
 - also exhibit all-order patterns. Leading logarithmic (only..) resummation now achieved for a number of reactions

$$\hat{\sigma}_{\text{LO}}^{(gg)}(Q^2) \exp \left\{ \frac{2\alpha_s C_A}{\pi} \log^2(N) \right\} \left(1 + \frac{2\alpha_s C_F}{\pi} \frac{\log N}{N} \right)$$

Beneke, Broggio, Garny, Jaskiewicz, Vernazza, Szafron, Wang '18
Bahjat-Abbas, Bonocore, EL, Magnea, Sinninghe-Damsté, Vernazza, White '19
Moult, Stewart, Vita, Xhu '18

QCD precision quest

- ✦ Development and applications of many new methods for high order partonic cross sections
 - Differential equations, Mellin-Barnes, Loop-tree duality, finite field methods, unitarity methods
 - (Isolate IR divergences in radiative contributions)
 - Many specialized computer codes, numerical or algebraic (FORM e.g.)
 - Resum to all orders what you can, and match to exact finite orders
- ✦ Improvement of PDFs and their uncertainty
 - New methods, better tools, better input data.
 - Delicate interplay of measurements and theory
- ✦ Improve the parton showers
 - Beyond leading logarithmic
 - Match to finite order calculations
- ✦ [Improve the hadronization models, jet algorithms etc]

Summary

- ✦ It is possible to use perturbation theory for QCD@LHC, thanks to asymptotic freedom
 - So can use LHC as precision machine, to seek small deviations from Standard Model
- ✦ Make every link in the chain (PDF's, partonic cross section, parton showers) as precise as possible
- ✦ Much, much effort and ingenuity in computing higher order corrections, including automatization
- ✦ Confront precise pQCD description with many different measurements to stress-test the Standard Model
 - Include also electroweak corrections..
- ✦ Theorists and experimenters both on Team Precision!