

# Overview of mixed QCD-EW corrections for Drell-Yan

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# Outline

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Organisational structure: *higher-order corrections* + *phase-space* region

*Mixed QCD-EW corrections* to the Drell-Yan processes

Resonant region:  $Z + W$

Off-shell region: NCDY

Extra: development on higher order calculations (amplitudes)

Outlook and Conclusions

*Disclaimer:*  
*in this talk I will strictly cover only fixed-order results*

# Motivation (personal selection)

## Theory uncertainty

**QCD:** estimated via **scale variation**

**EW:** renormalized on shell. No scale dependence. **Input scheme change**

$$d\sigma = d\sigma_0 \left( 1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \delta^{(1,0)} + \left( \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \right)^2 \delta^{(2,0)} + \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \delta^{(0,1)} + \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \delta^{(1,1)} + \dots \right)$$

"LO" from EW side
residual EW input scheme dependence

Reduction of EW scheme dependence

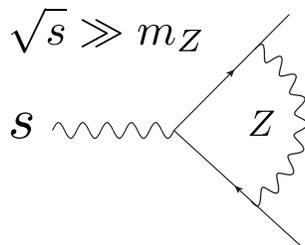
Extensive study for on-shell Z production [Bonciani, FB, Rana, Vicini 2111.12694]

## Interplay of effects

**on-shell:** IS hard QCD radiation + QED FS radiation off the leptons: normalization + shape effects

**off-shell:** Naive power counting:  $\alpha_s \sim 0.1$  and  $\alpha \sim 0.01$ , thus expecting QCDxEW at permille level

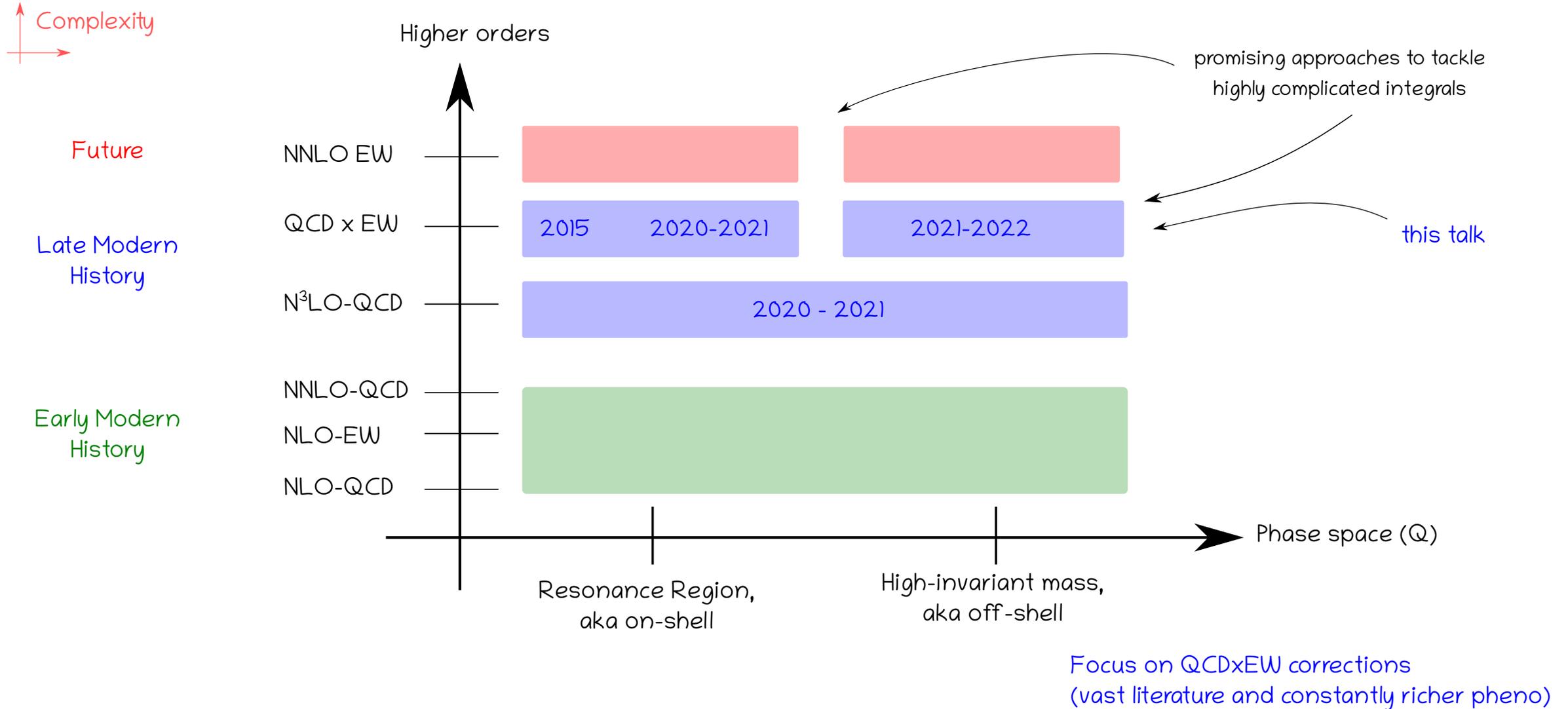
Really: **QCD corrections +20%** and **EW** power counting spoiled by **large Sudakov logs** [Kuhn, Penin, Smirnov '00][Ciafaloni, Ciafaloni, Comelli '01][Denner, Pozzorini '01]



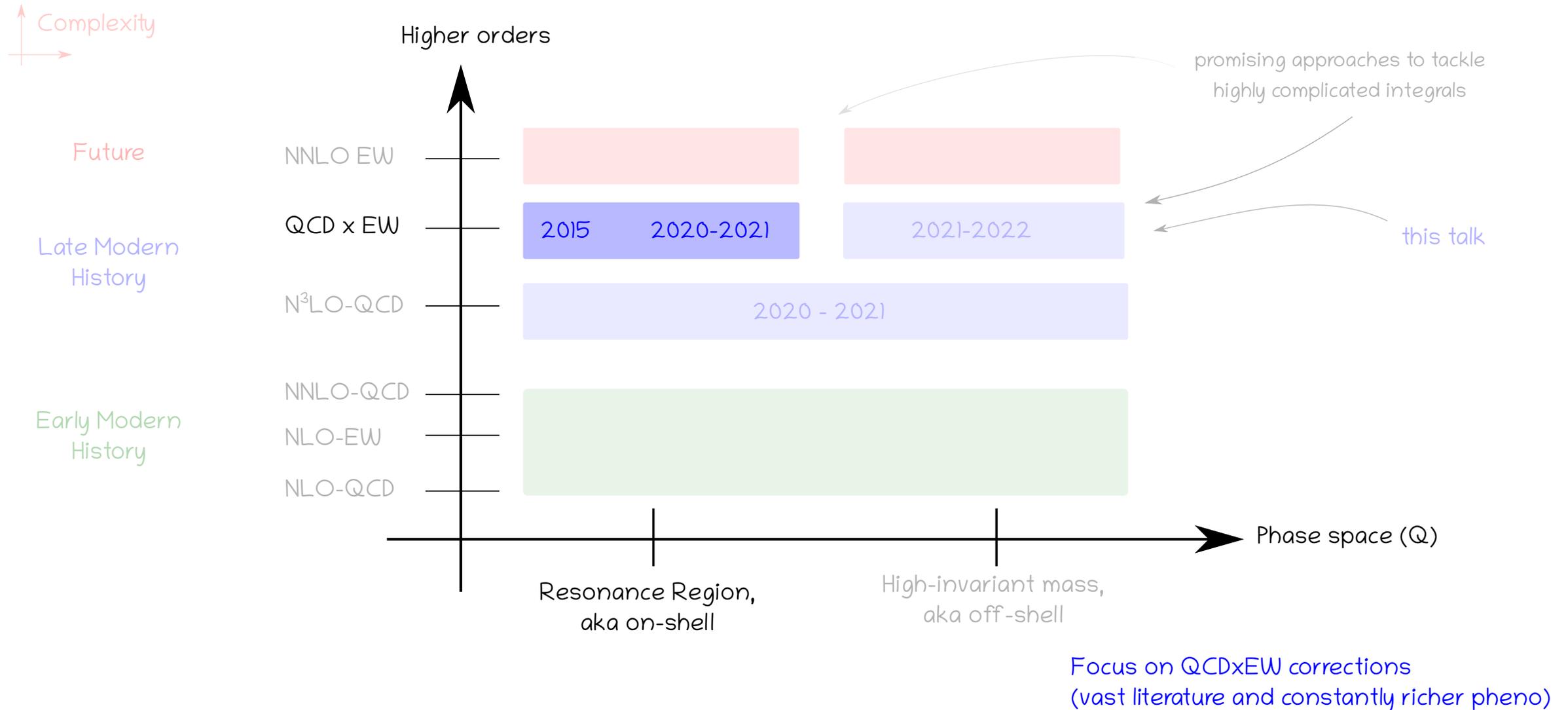
$$\frac{\alpha}{4\pi \sin^2 \theta_w} \log^2 \left( \frac{s}{m_Z^2} \right) \sim 10\% \quad \frac{\alpha}{4\pi \sin^2 \theta_w} \log \left( \frac{s}{m_Z^2} \right) \sim 1.6\% \quad \text{at } s \sim (2 \text{ TeV})^2$$

QCDxEW potentially **~ 2%** in the high energy region

# Higher-order corrections and phase space



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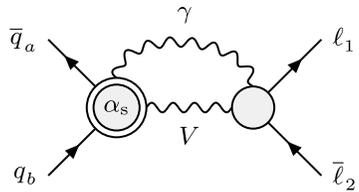
# Drell-Yan in the resonance region

Remarkable technical simplification wrt fully off-shell case. One can work in the [narrow-width approximation](#) [Fadin,Khoze,Martin hep-ph/9309234]

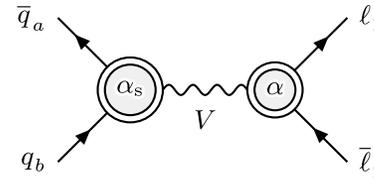
$$\sigma = \text{prod} \times \text{dec} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\Gamma}{M}\right)$$

The [pole approximation](#) [Stuart '91] is well suited for describing (mixed qcd-) electroweak effects near the resonance region

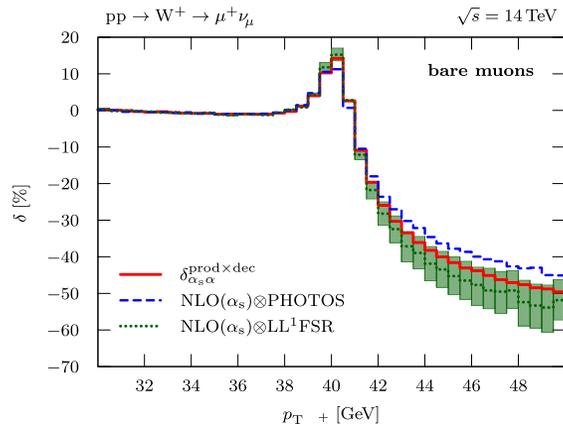
Reference results for mixed QCDxEW corrections in the resonance region in pole approximation [Dittmaier, Huss, Schwinn '14,'15]



[Dittmaier, Huss, Schwinn, 14-03.3216]  
**IS-FS non-factorisable contributions**  
 subdominant in the resonance region.  
 Phenomenologically negligible

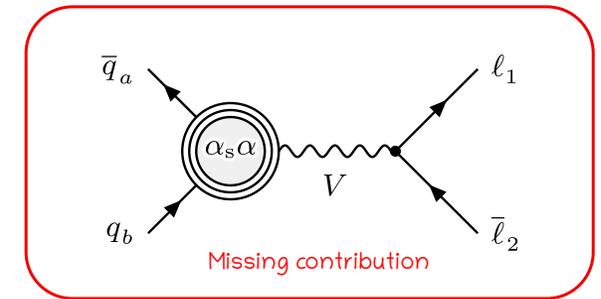


[Dittmaier, Huss, Schwinn, 1511.08016]  
**Dominant effects from IS-FS factorisable contributions.** Authors consider initial-final and final-final (technically an NLO problem)



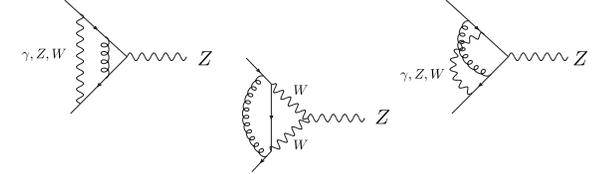
Comparison of IS-FS corrections with NLO QCD (IS) x QED PS (FS). Generally good agreement

(one of the) **Outcome** of the study: Mixed QCDxEW corrections can have an impact as **14 MeV in the extraction of the W mass**



# Mixed QCD-EW to on-shell Z: fully inclusive XS

Analytic calculation of the fully inclusive cross section for the production of an on-shell Z boson [Bonciani, F.B, Rana, Vicini 2007.06518]



$$\begin{aligned}
 A_1 &= \sigma^{\text{LO}} + \overset{\text{NLO-QCD}}{\sigma^{(1,0)}} + \overset{\text{NNLO-QCD}}{\sigma^{(2,0)}} \\
 B_2 &= \sigma^{\text{LO}} + \sigma^{(1,0)} + \sigma^{(2,0)} + \overset{\text{NLO-EW}}{\sigma^{(0,1)}} \\
 B_3 &= \sigma^{\text{LO}} + \sigma^{(1,0)} + \sigma^{(2,0)} + \sigma^{(0,1)} + \overset{\text{QCD-EW}}{\sigma^{(1,1)}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$\mu_R = \mu_F = M_Z$  (results expressed in pb)

order	$G_\mu$	$\alpha(0)$	$\delta_{G_\mu - \alpha(0)}$ (%)
$A_1$	55787	53884	3.53
$B_2$	55501	55015	0.88
$B_3$	55469	55340	0.23

Comparing of  $G_\mu$  and  $\alpha(0)$  schemes is a very conservative choice. It maximises the spread of the results

Reduction of uncertainties due to EW input scheme

Clearly, this has to be complemented by studies of uncertainties from QCD (conventional scale variation?),  $N^3\text{LO}$  QCD essential

Detailed study of impact and QCD-EW corrections on inclusive XS and related uncertainties (including PDFs) [Bonciani, F.B., Rana, Vicini 2111.12694]

7-pt scale variations around central scale  $\mu=m_Z$

collider	$\sigma_{QCD}$	$\delta_{7pts}$	$\sigma_{QCD-EW}$	$\delta_{7pts}$
$p\bar{p}$ 1.96 TeV	7710.0	+0.48% -0.66%	7649.5	+0.37% -0.64%
LHC 7 TeV	29356.2	+0.52% -0.26%	29120.4	+0.49% -0.31%
LHC 8 TeV	34116.0	+0.58% -0.30%	33840.2	+0.56% -0.35%
LHC 13 TeV	57769.1	+0.78% -0.45%	57287.6	+0.76% -0.49%
LHC 14 TeV	62454.4	+0.80% -0.47%	61931.2	+0.79% -0.50%
LHC 100 TeV	418617	+1.26% -1.16%	412815	+1.26% -1.18%

NNLO-QCD mostly responsible for SV uncertainties

XS computed using different PDF sets.

"env" ~ envelope of 3 sets in the QCD model only

collider	PDF set	$\sigma_{QCD}$	$\sigma_{QCD-EW}$	$\delta_{QCD-EW}$	$\Delta_{env}$	$\delta_{PDF}$
LHC 13 TeV	NNPDF3.1	57769.1	57287.6	-0.8	1.1%	+0.8% -0.8%
	CT18	57152.1	56898.9	-0.4		+1.9% -2.5%
	MMHT2015	57564.8	56899.3	-1.2		+2.1% -2.1%
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	CT18	61840.8	61568.1	-0.4		+2.0% -2.5%
	MMHT2015	62278.6	61553.7	-1.2		+2.2% -2.2%

δ in units of %

Take home message: availability of  $N^3\text{LOQCD}$  + mixed NNLO QCD-EW bring theoretical uncertainties on cross-sections to the per-mille region!

# QCDxEW corrections to on-shell Z/W production, differential

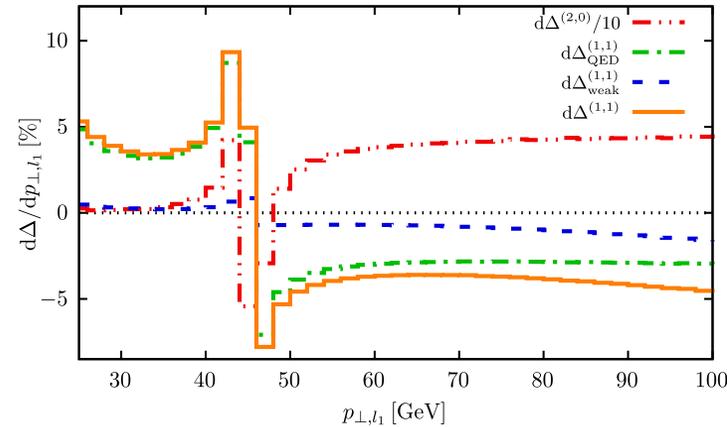
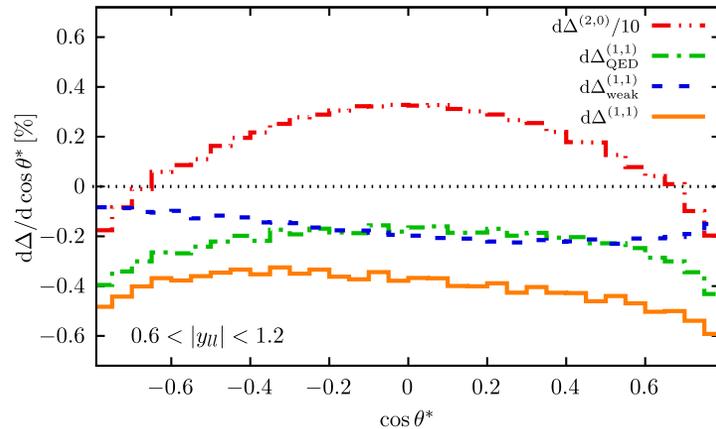
Calculation of mixed QCD-EW to on-shell Z-[F.B, Caola, Delto, Jaquier, Melnikov, Roentsch 2005.10221] and W-bosons production [Behring, F.B, Caola, Delto, Jaquier, Melnikov, Roentsch 2009.10386]

Framework: *nested-soft collinear subtraction* + analytic two-loop form factors

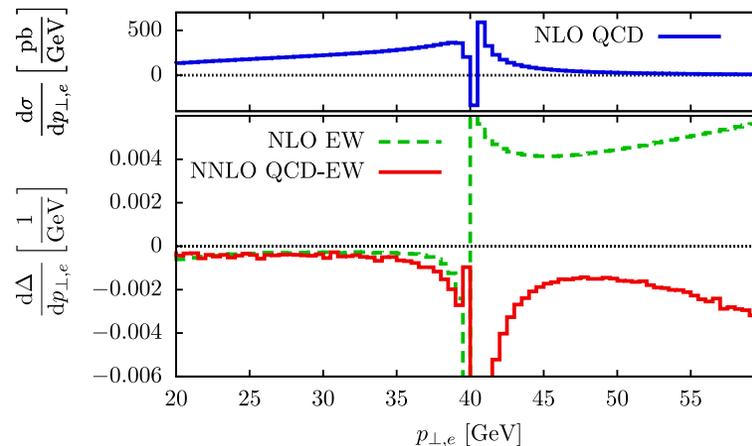
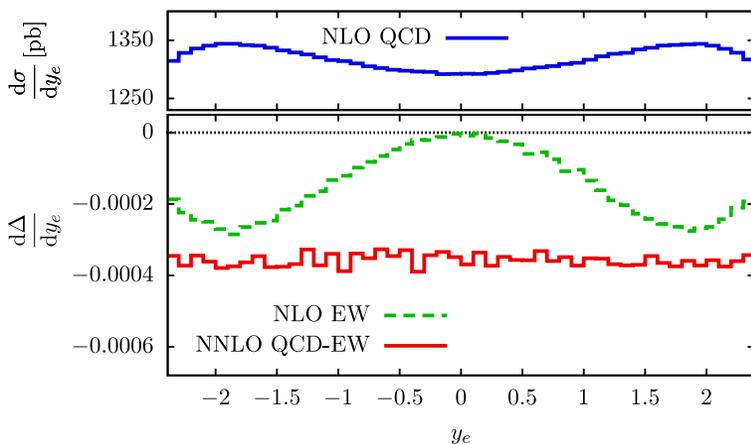
$$d\Delta^{(i,j)} = \frac{d\sigma^{(i,j)}}{d\sigma^{(0,0)} + d\sigma^{(1,0)}}$$

bin-by-bin ratios of NLO-EW, NNLO-QCD and NNLO QCD-EW corrections

Z-case



W-case



General comments:

- corrections sensitive to selection cuts (asymmetric cuts in Z case)
- corrections are observable dependent
- QCD-EW corrections could be larger than NLO-EW in certain regions

# Estimate of QCDxEW corrections on $m_W$ extraction

Availability of QCD-EW corrections on Z and W productions allows for **estimates** of the impact of these corrections on the extraction of  $m_W$  [Behring et al' 2103.02671]

Stress once more: the results from [Behring et al' 2103.02671] have to be interpreted as an **estimate**

W mass measurements rely on **excellent control of Z production** process: to calibrate detectors, tune the generators, etc.

**Basic idea:** estimate effect of QCD-EW corrections on  $m_W$  extraction, due to **decorrelations in Z and W production**

**Simple theoretical model:** correlation between average transverse momentum of leptons and mass of bosons

$$\frac{m_W}{m_Z} = \frac{\langle p_{T,l}^W \rangle}{\langle p_{T,l}^Z \rangle} \Rightarrow m_W^{\text{meas.}} = m_Z \frac{\langle p_{T,l}^{W,\text{meas.}} \rangle}{\langle p_{T,l}^{Z,\text{meas.}} \rangle} C_{\text{th.}} \quad C_{\text{th.}} = \frac{m_W^{\text{in}}}{m_Z^{\text{in}}} \frac{\langle p_{T,l}^{Z,\text{th.}} \rangle}{\langle p_{T,l}^{W,\text{th.}} \rangle}$$

← assume input masses, evaluate W-mass and compare with input

Estimate impact of **decorrelations** in W and Z spectra from higher order corrections

$$\frac{\delta m_W^{\text{meas.}}}{m_W^{\text{meas.}}} = \frac{\delta C_{\text{th.}}}{C_{\text{th.}}} = \frac{\delta \langle p_{T,l}^{Z,\text{th.}} \rangle}{\langle p_{T,l}^{Z,\text{th.}} \rangle} - \frac{\delta \langle p_{T,l}^{W,\text{th.}} \rangle}{\langle p_{T,l}^{W,\text{th.}} \rangle}$$

Take home:

- Yet again: these are **estimates**
- **Decorrelation effects can be significant** thus relevant for target 0.1 permille precision
- **QCD-EW shifts potentially relevant for target precision of 8 MeV**

**Very strong sensitivity on selection cuts:**

- "Atlas" cuts:  $\Delta m_W = -17$  MeV

- "Tuned" cuts:  $\Delta m_W = -1$  MeV

$$p_{T,\ell}^Z > 25 \text{ GeV}; |\eta_\ell^Z| < 2.4$$

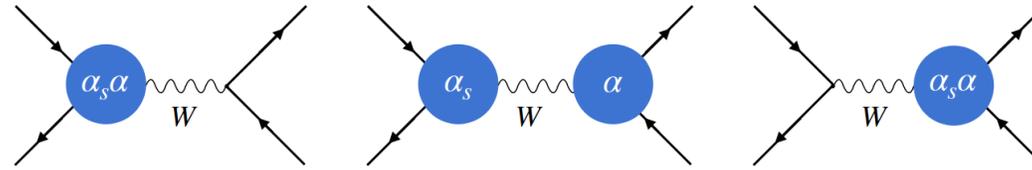
$$\text{"ATLAS" cuts: } p_{T,\ell}^W > 30 \text{ GeV}; p_{T,\text{miss}}^W > 30 \text{ GeV}; |\eta_\ell^W| < 2.4.$$

$$\text{"Tuned" cuts: } p_{T,\ell}^W > 25.44 \text{ GeV}; p_{T,\text{miss}}^W > 25.44 \text{ GeV}; |\eta_\ell^W| < 2.4.$$

# Mixed QCDxEW corrections to CCDY

Mixed QCDxEW corrections to  $pp \rightarrow l\nu_l$  production (CCDY) [Buonocore, Grazzini, Kallweit, Savoini, Tramontano 2102.12539] (leptons are massive,  $\mu$ )

Two-loop amplitude expanded in Pole Approximation. Similarly to [Dittmaier, Huss, Schwinn 1511.08016] including IS-IS NNLO corrections



**Initial-Initial:** extracted from mixed QCD-EW form factor for the W boson [Behring, Buccioni, Caola, Delto, Jaquier, Melnikov, Röntsch (2020)]

**Initial-Final:** computed using the one-loop provider RECOLA

**Final-Final:** finite renormalisation constant [Dittmaier, Huss, and Schwinn (2015)]

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Framework: qT slicing [Catani, Grazzini hep-ph/0703012] [Buonocore, Grazzini, Tramontano 1911.10166] + 2-loop amplitudes improved by reweighting technique  
all other real and real-virtual contributions are included without approximation

Setup: ( $\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$ )

- massive muons
- bare muons (no muon-photon recombination)
- NNPDF31\_nnlo\_as\_0118\_luxqed
- $p_{T,\mu} > 25 \text{ GeV}$   $p_{T,\nu} > 25 \text{ GeV}$   $|y_\mu| < 2.5$
- fixed scale  $\mu = m_W$

$\sigma$ [pb]	$\sigma_{\text{LO}}$	$\sigma^{(1,0)}$	$\sigma^{(0,1)}$	$\sigma^{(2,0)}$	$\sigma^{(1,1)}$
$q\bar{q}$	5029.2	970.5(3)	-143.61(15)	251(4)	-7.0(1.2)
$qg$	—	-1079.86(12)	—	-377(3)	39.0(4)
$q(g)\gamma$	—	—	2.823(1)	—	0.055(5)
$q(\bar{q})q'$	—	—	—	44.2(7)	1.2382(3)
$gg$	—	—	—	100.8(8)	—
tot	5029.2	-109.4(4)	-140.8(2)	19(5)	33.3(1.3)

$\sigma^{(m,n)}/\sigma_{\text{LO}}$       -2.2%      -2.8%      +0.4%      +0.6%

- Large cancellations in NLO- and NNLO-QCD between  $q\bar{q}+g\bar{g}$  and  $qg$
- For the chosen setup, mixed QCD-EW corrections dominated by  $qg$  (no approximation for this channel)

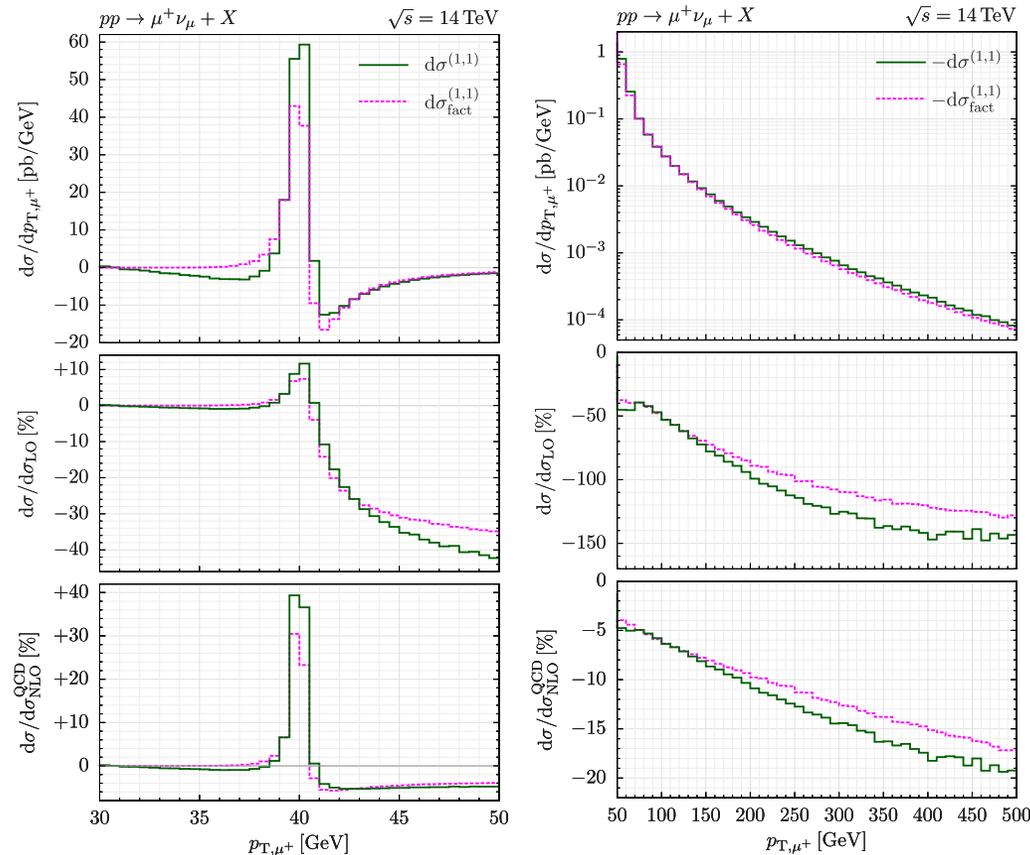
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Main focus on the observable  $p_{T,\mu}$

At the Jacobian peak  $p_{T,\mu}$  dominated by resonant W boson



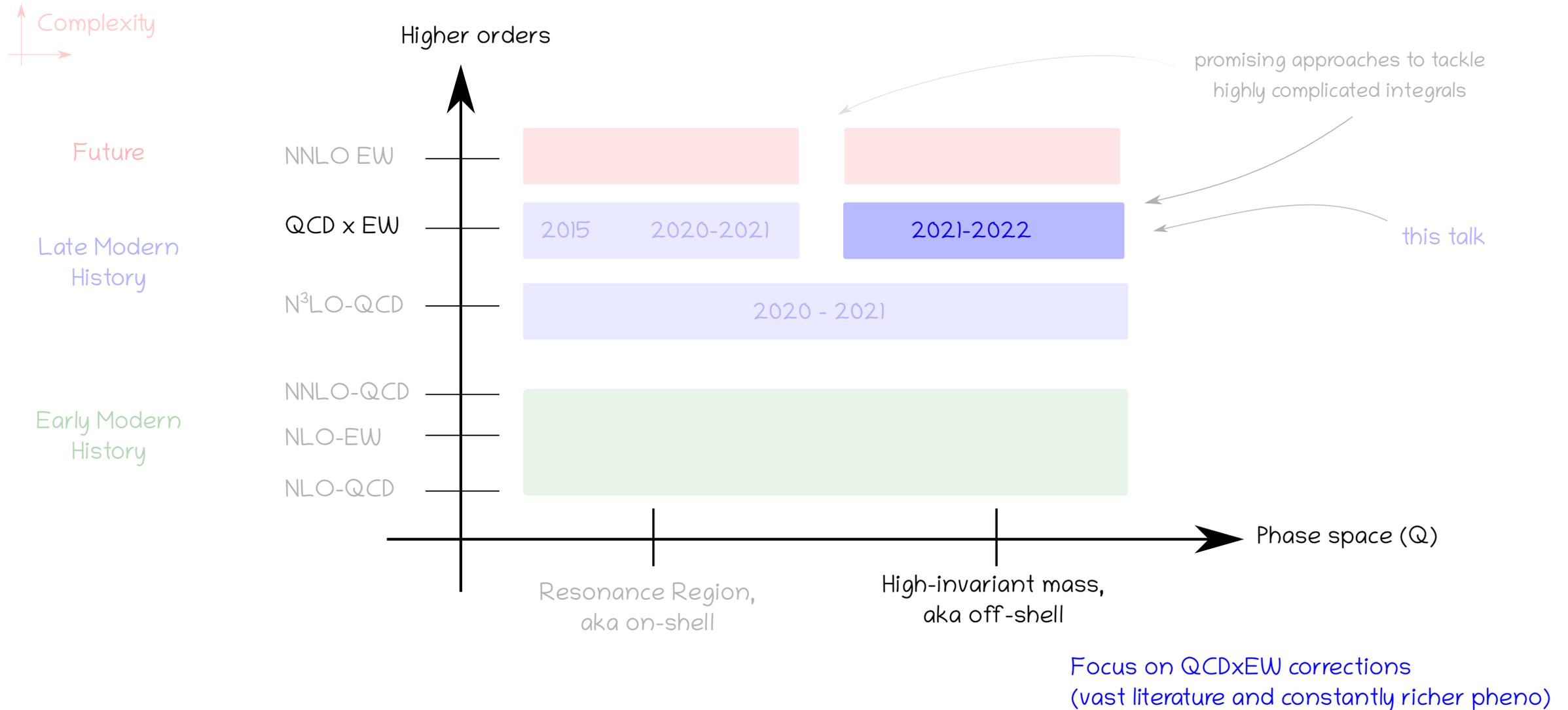
In the high  $p_{T,\mu}$  region born-like contributions are suppressed

Dominant mechanism: (resonant) W + hard jet

Thus the high  $p_{T,\mu}$  tail, well described by W+jet. The authors find that the dominant contribution comes from the  $qg$  channel

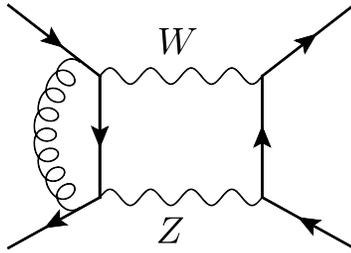
In principle possible to investigate also transverse mass distribution (template fit) + impact of measurements of  $p_{T,\mu}$  on  $m_W$  thus it would be interesting to compare to previous outcome from [Dittmaier, Huss, Schwinn 1511.08016]

# Higher-order corrections and phase space



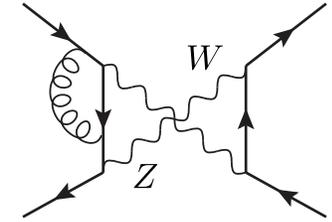
# Fully off-shell Drell-Yan processes

The complete calculation of mixed QCDxEW corrections



Amplitudes/Integrals

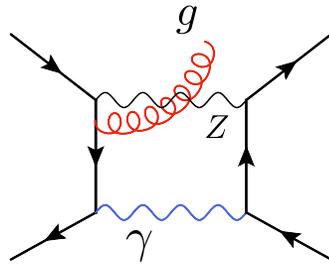
Two-loop integrals involving several energy scales



Two-loop amplitudes for CCDY not available yet

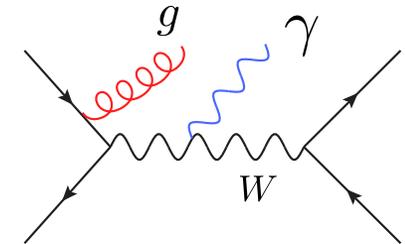
Recent developments:

Complete two-loop amplitudes for NCDY [Heller, Manteuffel, Schabinger, Spiesberger 2012.05918] [Armadillo, Bonciani, Devoto, Rana, Vicini 2201.01754]



Subtraction of IR singularities

Complex cancellation pattern of IR singularities



Complete fully off-shell CCDY not available yet

(although in sight)

Recent developments:

- QCDxEWK corrections to  $l+l-$  production (qT slicing) [Bonciani, Buonocore, Grazzini, Kallweit, Rana, Tramontano, Vicini 12106.11953]
- QCDxEWK corrections to  $l+l-$  production (nested-soft collinear subtraction) [F.B., Caola, Chawdhry, Devoto, Heller, Manteuffel, Melnikov, Roentsch, Signorile-Signorile, 2203.11237]

# Two-loop amplitudes for mixed QCDxEW corrections

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Two main results, two completely independent approaches

1) Fully analytic calculation of two-loop integrals and [helicity amplitudes](#) [Heller, von Manteuffel, Schabinger, Spiesberger 2012.05918]

[Analytic results](#) expressed in terms of [well known functions](#): Goncharov Polylogarithms ([GPLs](#)). Many programs available for numerical evaluation

- [Fast](#) evaluation:  $\sim 0.8$  s/psp on a standard laptop
- It can be manipulated, hence [numerical stability](#) can be easily improved
- Run-time evaluation for [any psp](#)

2) Numerical evaluation of [tree-loop interference](#) [Armadillo, Bonciani, Devoto, Rana, Vicini 2201.01754]

Two-loop integrals evaluated via [series expansions](#). Procedure inspired by [DiffExp](#) [Hidding 2006.05510], but ([novelty](#)) extended to [complex-masses](#)

[Analytic boundary conditions](#) + series expansion: makes it possible to achieve an arbitrary number of digits

- Public packages: [DiffExp](#) [Hidding 2006.05510] and [SeaSyde](#) [Armadillo, Bonciani, Devoto, Rana, Vicini 2205.03345]
- The [method](#) is [general](#) and applicable to other processes in practice (potential for QCDxEW CC0Y and NNLO-EWK)
- Easier to evaluate integrals in various regions, [thresholds not a practical issue](#)

# Mixed QCDxEW corrections, fully off-shell

★ First calculation of complete mixed QCD-EW corrections to the Drell-Yan process [Bonciani, Buonocore, Grazzini, Kallweit, Rana, Tramontano, Vicini 2106.11953]

Framework: semi-analytical amplitudes [Armadillo et al' 201.01754] + qT slicing [Catani, Grazzini hep-ph/0703012] [Buonocore, Grazzini, Tramontano 1911.10166]

Setup: ( $\sqrt{s} = 14\text{TeV}$ )

- massive leptons  
bare muons (no muon-photon recombination)
- NNPDF31\_nnlo\_as\_0118\_luxqed
- symmetric cuts:  $M_{\mu^+\mu^-} > 50\text{ GeV}$   $p_{T,\mu^\pm} > 25\text{ GeV}$   $|y_{\mu^\pm}| < 2.5$
- fixed scale  $\mu=m_Z$

Very complicated calculations.  
Having two totally independent approaches is highly desirable!

★ Complete mixed QCD-EW corrections to the Drell-Yan process, high invariant mass [F.B., Caola, Chawdhry, Devoto, Heller, von Manteuffel, Melnikov, Roentsch, Signorile-Signorile 2203.11237]

Framework: analytical amplitudes [Heller et al' 2012.05918] + nested soft collinear subtraction [Caola, Melnikov, Roentsch 1702.01352]

Setup: ( $\sqrt{s} = 13.6\text{TeV}$ )

- massless electrons  
dressed leptons: electron-photon recombination (fixed cone)
- NNPDF31\_nnlo\_as\_0118\_luxqed
- symmetric + product cuts:  $M_{\ell^+\ell^-} > 200\text{ GeV}$   $p_{T,\ell^\pm} > 30\text{ GeV}$   $\sqrt{p_{T,\ell^-} p_{T,\ell^+}} > 35\text{ GeV}$   $|y_{\ell^\pm}| < 2.5$
- dynamic scale  $\mu=m_H/2$

Inspired from [Salam, Slade 2106.08329]



# Results: cross sections

## ★ qT slicing & massive muons

$$M_{\mu^+\mu^-} > 50 \text{ GeV} \quad p_{T,\mu^\pm} > 25 \text{ GeV} \quad |y_{\mu^\pm}| < 2.5$$

$\sigma$ [pb]	$\sigma_{\text{LO}}$	$\sigma^{(1,0)}$	$\sigma^{(0,1)}$	$\sigma^{(2,0)}$	$\sigma^{(1,1)}$
$q\bar{q}$	809.56(1)	191.85(1)	-33.76(1)	49.9(7)	-4.8(3)
$qg$	—	-158.08(2)	—	-74.8(5)	8.6(1)
$q(g)\gamma$	—	—	-0.839(2)	—	0.084(3)
$q(\bar{q})q'$	—	—	—	6.3(1)	0.19(0)
$gg$	—	—	—	18.1(2)	—
$\gamma\gamma$	1.42(0)	—	-0.0117(4)	—	—
tot	810.98(1)	33.77(2)	-34.61(1)	-0.5(9)	4.0(3)

+4.2%      -4.3%      -0.6‰      +0.5%

$$\sigma = \sigma^{(0,0)} + \delta\sigma^{(1,0)} + \delta\sigma^{(0,1)} + \delta\sigma^{(2,0)} + \delta\sigma^{(1,1)} + \dots$$

LO
NLO-QCD
NLO-EWK
NNLO-QCD
NNLO-QCDxEWK

- accidental **cancellation NLO-QCD vs NLO-EW**
- **tiny** (accidental) **NNLO-QCD**: very large cancellations
- mixed **QCDxEW** comparable to previous orders (larger than NNLO QCD)

## ★ local nested-soft/coll subtraction & massless leptons

$$M_{\ell^+\ell^-} > 200 \text{ GeV} \quad p_{T,\ell^\pm} > 30 \text{ GeV} \quad \sqrt{p_{T,\ell^-} p_{T,\ell^+}} > 35 \text{ GeV} \quad |y_{\ell^\pm}| < 2.5$$

$\sigma$ [fb]	$\sigma^{(0,0)}$	$\delta\sigma^{(1,0)}$	$\delta\sigma^{(0,1)}$	$\delta\sigma^{(2,0)}$	$\delta\sigma^{(1,1)}$
$q\bar{q}$	1561.42	340.31	-49.907	44.60	-16.80
$\gamma\gamma$	59.645		3.166		
$qg$		0.060		-32.66	1.03
$q\gamma$			-0.305		-0.207
$g\gamma$					0.2668
$gg$				1.934	
sum	1621.06	340.37	-47.046	13.88	-15.71

+22%      -2.9%      +0.8%      -0.9%

- **NLO**: +20% from QCD, -3% from EW

NLO EW (and mixed) corrections could be reduced by increasing  $R_\gamma$ : -3% @  $R=0.1$  → -1.6% @  $R=0.4$

experimentally feasible/meaningful? like  $R=0.2$

- **NNLO QCD**: < 1%, accidentally small, qq vs qg cancellation
- **QCDxEWK**: ~ 1% quite large and beyond naive power counting. larger than NNLO-QCD. qq channel by far dominant

# Results: invariant mass windows

Integrated XS in different invariant mass windows [F.B., Caola, Chawdhry, Devoto, Heller, von Manteuffel, Melnikov, Roentsch, Signorile-Signorile 2203.11237]

At high invariant mass, mixed effects should be well described by the product of QCD and electroweak corrections

Factorized approximation:

$$\delta\sigma_{\text{fact}}^{(1,1)} = \delta_{\text{NLO}}^{(1,0)} \delta_{\text{NLO}}^{(0,1)} \sigma^{(0,0)} \quad \delta_{\text{NLO}}^{(1,0)} = \frac{\delta\sigma^{(1,0)}}{\sigma^{(0,0)}}, \quad \delta_{\text{NLO}}^{(0,1)} = \frac{\delta\sigma^{(0,1)}}{\sigma^{(0,0)}}$$

$\Phi^{(1)}$  : 200 GeV <  $m_{\ell\ell}$  < 300 GeV     $\Phi^{(2)}$  : 300 GeV <  $m_{\ell\ell}$  < 500 GeV

$\Phi^{(3)}$  : 500 GeV <  $m_{\ell\ell}$  < 1.5 TeV     $\Phi^{(4)}$  : 1.5 TeV <  $m_{\ell\ell}$  <  $\infty$

$\sigma$ [fb]	$\sigma^{(0,0)}$	$\delta\sigma^{(1,0)}$	$\delta\sigma^{(0,1)}$	$\delta\sigma^{(2,0)}$	$\delta\sigma^{(1,1)}$	$\delta\sigma_{\text{fact.}}^{(1,1)}$	$\sigma_{\text{QCD}\times\text{EW}}$
$\Phi^{(1)}$	1169.8	254.3	-30.98	10.18	-10.74	-6.734	1392.6 <sup>+0.75%</sup> <sub>-0%</sub>
$\Phi^{(2)}$	368.29	71.91	-11.891	2.85	-4.05	-2.321	427.1 <sup>+0.41%</sup> <sub>-0.02%</sub>
$\Phi^{(3)}$	82.08	14.31	-4.094	0.691	-1.01	-0.7137	91.98 <sup>+0.22%</sup> <sub>-0.14%</sub>
$\Phi^{(4)} \times 10$	9.107	1.577	-1.124	0.146	-0.206	-0.1946	9.500 <sup>+0%</sup> <sub>-0.97%</sub>

Factorized approximation  
not reliable in the  
low  $10^2$  GeV region

It fails at the level of the  
theoretical uncertainty

QCD rather flat  
 $\sim +18\%$

EWK increases in  
size to up  $\sim -12\%$

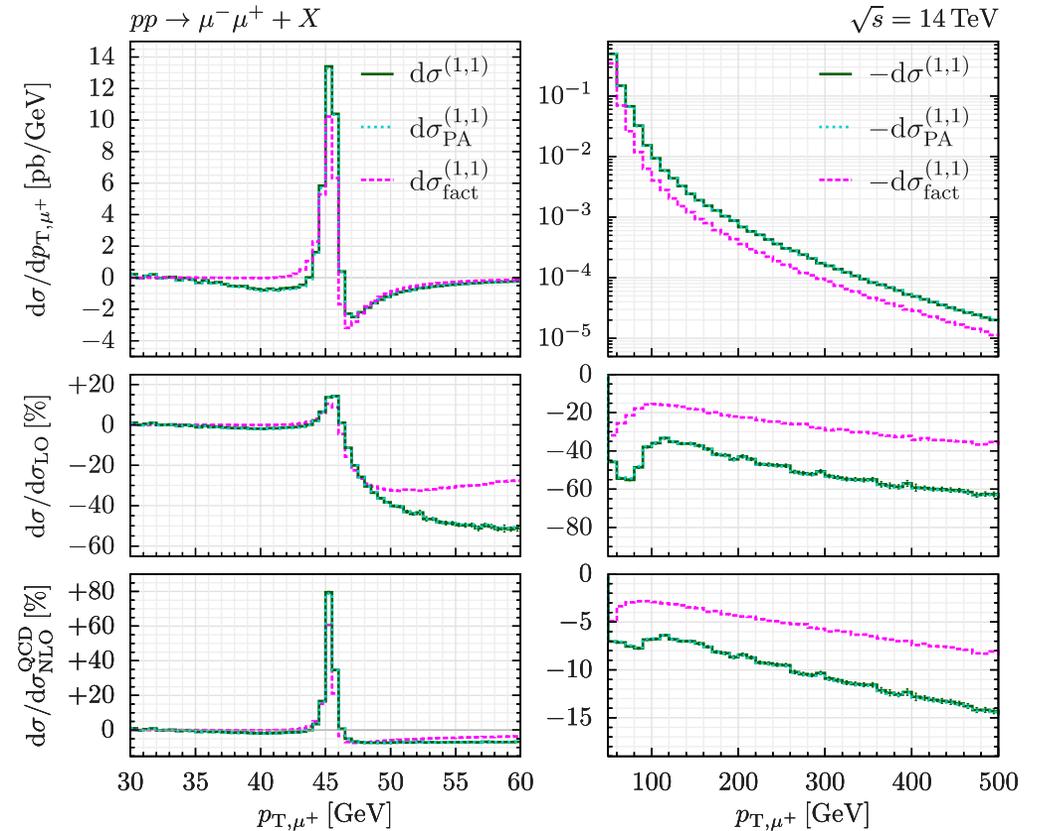
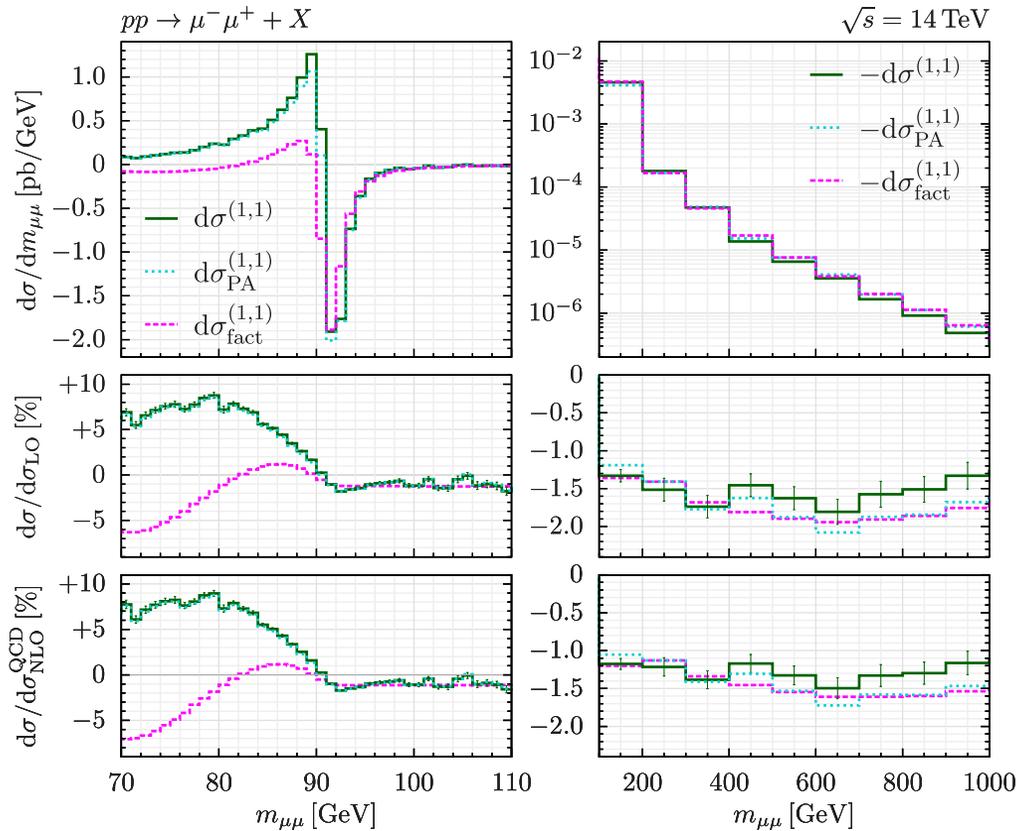
$-12\% \times 18\% = -2.2\%$

Factorized approximation  
captures 90% of full QCDxEW  
correction in the TeV region

expected from dominant  
1-loop Sudakov logs

# Pheno of mixed QCDxEW corrections (qT)

Mixed QCD-EW corrections [Buonocore et al' 2106.11953]: phenomenology both at the Z resonance and in the off-shell region



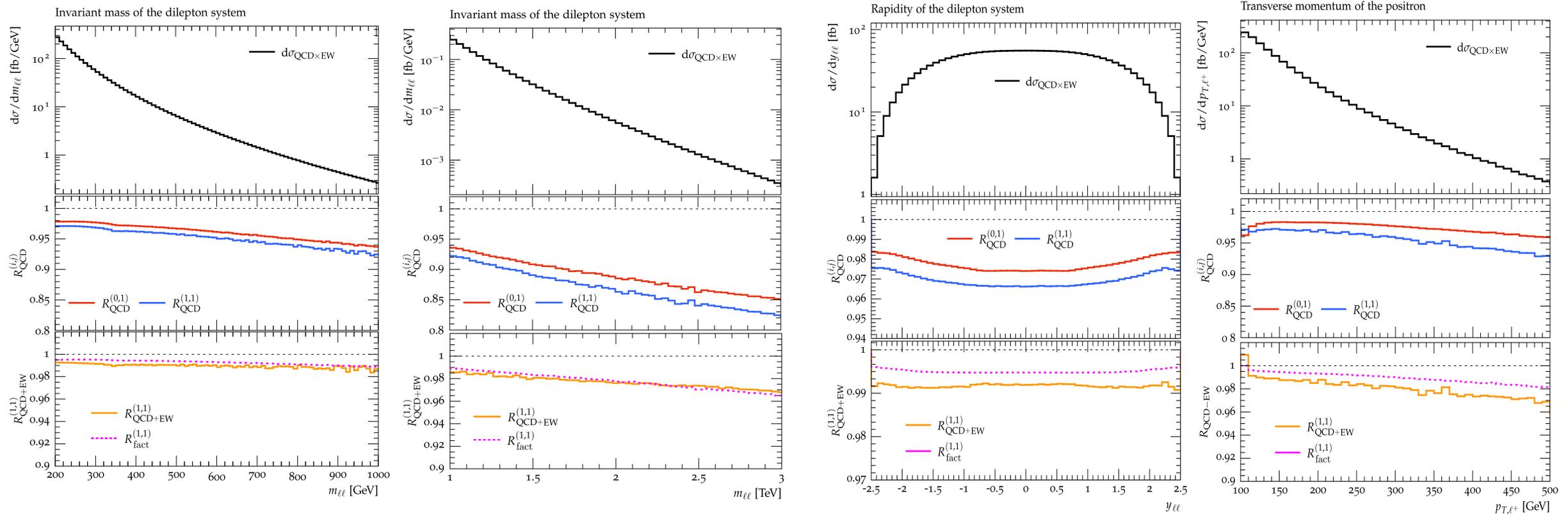
- QCD and QED effects do not factorise below the resonance
- The pole approximation provides a very good description around the resonance
- $O(\sim 1\%)$  corrections in the high-tail of the invariant mass (PA does not capture) relevant for NP searches in the high-mass region

- At the Jacobian peak, dominated by Z resonance
- At high lepton  $p_T$ , Z+jet is the dominant configuration (Z still near the resonance)  $\sim Z + \text{jet}$  @ NLO-EW

Very strong confirmation of [Dittmaier, Huss, Schwinn 1511.08016], i.e. that Pole Approximation works extremely well at the Z peak

# Pheno of mixed QCDxEW corrections (nested soft-collinear)

Mixed QCD-EW corrections to the Drell-Yan process [F.B., Caola, Chawdhry, Devoto, Heller, von Manteuffel, Melnikov, Roentsch, Signorile-Signorile 2203.11237]



- QCDxEW shape: not entirely flat: shape driven by Sudakov logs in EW loop amplitudes
- NLO-EW: -15% @ 3 TeV, QCDxEW: -3% @ 3 TeV
- factorized approximation reproduces well the result at higher  $m_{ll}$

- In the case of the lepton  $p_T$ , QCDxEW corrections up to O(-3%) @  $p_T \sim 500$  GeV
- factorized approximation not valid for this type of observables

# Angular variables and $A_{FB}$

$$\cos\theta^* = \frac{p_{\ell^-}^+ p_{\ell^+}^- - p_{\ell^-}^- p_{\ell^+}^+}{m_{\ell\ell} \sqrt{m_{\ell\ell}^2 + p_{\ell\ell,\perp}^2}} \times \text{sgn}(p_{\ell\ell,z})$$

$$A_{FB} = \frac{\sigma_F - \sigma_B}{\sigma_F + \sigma_B}, \quad \sigma_F = \int_0^1 d\cos\theta^* \frac{d\sigma(pp \rightarrow \ell^-\ell^+)}{d\cos\theta^*}, \quad \sigma_B = \int_{-1}^0 d\cos\theta^* \frac{d\sigma(pp \rightarrow \ell^-\ell^+)}{d\cos\theta^*}$$

Recent measurement of  $A_{FB}$  by the CMS collaboration at  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV in the high invariant mass region [2202.12327] (including mass windows)

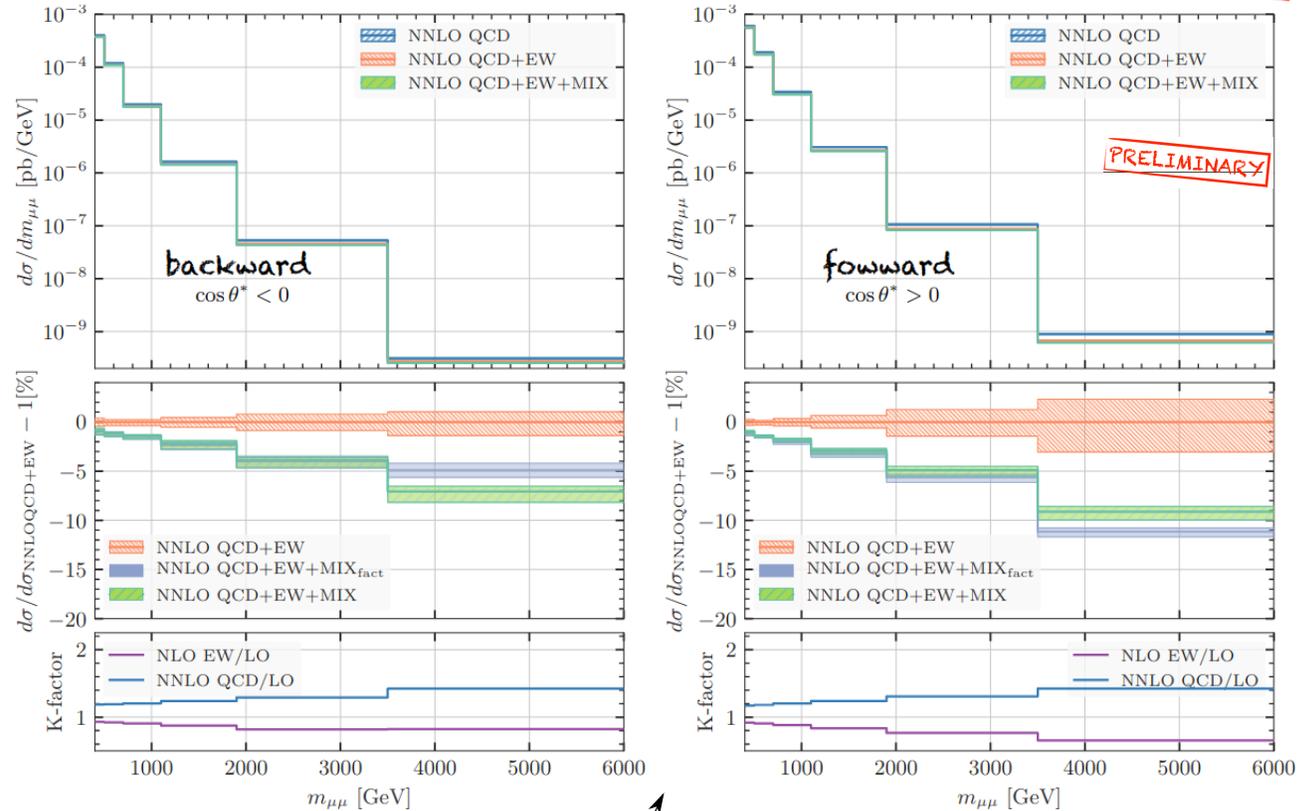
without QCDxEW including QCDxEW

	$\tilde{A}_{FB}$	$A_{FB}$
$\Phi^{(1)}$	$0.1442^{+0.05\%}_{-0.31\%}$	$0.1440^{+0.11\%}_{-0.09\%}$
$\Phi^{(2)}$	$0.1852^{+0.08\%}_{-0.40\%}$	$0.1847^{+0.10\%}_{-0.19\%}$
$\Phi^{(3)}$	$0.2401^{+0.13\%}_{-0.64\%}$	$0.2388^{+0.06\%}_{-0.47\%}$
$\Phi^{(4)}$	$0.3070^{+0.49\%}_{-1.5\%}$	$0.3031^{+0.19\%}_{-1.2\%}$

[F.B., Caola, Chawdhry, Devoto, Heller, von Manteuffel, Melnikov, Roentsch, Signorile-Signorile 2203.11237]

- In the TeV region: QCDxEW corrections  $\sim 1\%$  to  $A_{FB}$ : potentially interesting for HL-LHC
- Factorised approximation: justified for  $m_{\mu\mu}$  in the TeV region

Plots from Luca Buonocore's talk (Loops&Legs 2022). Preliminary!



SETUP (LHC @  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV) CMS 2103.02708

- NNPDF31\_nnlo\_as\_0118\_luxqed
- $p_{T,\mu} > 53$  GeV,  $|y_\mu| < 2.4$ ,  $m_{\mu^+\mu^-} > 150$  GeV
- massive muons (no photon lepton recombination)
- $G_\mu$  scheme, complex mass scheme
- dynamic scale  $\mu_F = \mu_R = m_{\mu^+\mu^-}$

# Conclusions

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$N^3$ LO QCD corrections + mixed QCD-EW  $\longrightarrow$  now ranging over the whole phase space  $\longleftarrow$

we are witnessing the onset of precision phenomenology: per-mille accuracy in sight in the resonance region + off-shell region

- EWK precision measurements: resonant region

Mixed QCD-EW calculations demonstrate that theoretical uncertainty estimate more reliable

Impact at the level of the target (sub) per-mille accuracy: these corrections need to be taken into account for a full SM study  
thorough investigation of both Z and W production at the LHC

- New Physics searches: off-shell region

Foreseen statistical uncertainty at HL-LHC in the  $O(0.5\%)$  range or below

Impact of mixed QCD-EW corrections at the same level (or well above in the high-invariant mass region)

Actually: have proved to be larger than expected:  $O(-1\%)$  (even away from Sudakov dominated regime)

at extreme energy, the expected factorization of NLO QCD x universal Sudakov logs is reproduced (mostly/only for cross sections and  $m_{ll}$ )

- For the near future:

advisable a synchronised effort from theory + experimental communities to provide best and consistent predictions

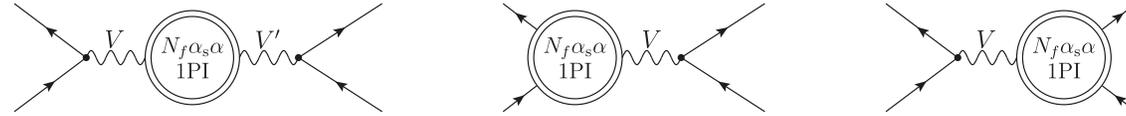
most ingredients of precision physics are now there, let's play with them!

# Backup

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# QCDxEW corrections to off-shell DY: $O(n_f \alpha_s \alpha)$ contribution

Mixed QCDxEW corrections to off-shell W and Z production arising from [closed fermionic loops](#) [Dittmaier, Schmidt, Schwarz 2009.02229]



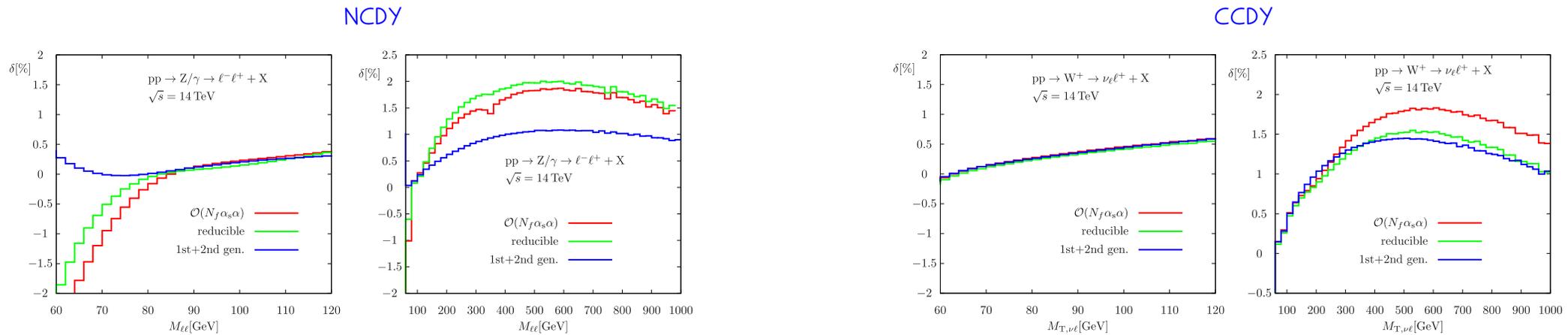
Gauge-invariant subset of mixed QCDxEW corrections. It can be investigated on its own.

large  $\log(mt^2/s)$  at  $s \sim \text{TeV}$

Not yet full-fledged two-loop complexity, but **2 very interesting aspects** (at least according to me)

1)  $O(n_f \alpha_s \alpha)$  contribution is sufficient for the [generalisation of the complex mass scheme](#) for the complete [mixed QCDxEW](#) corrections

2) General comment: in regions [dominated by the resonance](#) corrections are **small**  $O(1 \text{‰})$ . They **increase to  $O(1-2\%)$**  in the off-shell region



2.1) These contributions are not captured by factorisation, i.e. Tree x QCD x EW-Sudakovs. Thus, they are **relevant and need to be included properly!**

# Theoretical uncertainty

Mixed QCD-EW corrections to the Drell-Yan process [F.B., Coala, Chawdhry, Devoto, Heller, von Manteuffel, Melnikov, Roentsch, Signorile-Signorile 2203.11237]

Estimate of **theory uncertainty**: envelope of QCD + EWK - related uncertainties

$$d\sigma = d\sigma_0 \left( 1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \delta^{(1,0)} + \left( \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \right)^2 \delta^{(2,0)} + \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \delta^{(0,1)} + \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \delta^{(1,1)} + \dots \right)$$

Reduction of EW scheme dependence

$$p_{T,\ell^\pm} > 30\text{GeV} \quad |y_{\ell^\pm}| < 2.5$$

$$\sqrt{p_{T,\ell^-} p_{T,\ell^+}} > 35\text{GeV}$$

$$M_{\ell^-\ell^+} > 200\text{ GeV}$$

Selection cuts

QCD: factor 2 rescaling (up and down) of nominal scale

EWK: variation of input scheme:  $G_\mu$ -scheme vs  $\alpha(M_Z)$ -scheme ( $\alpha, M_Z, M_W$ )

not including  
QCDxEWK

$$\sigma^{(0,0)} + \delta\sigma^{(1,0)} + \delta\sigma^{(0,1)} + \delta\sigma^{(2,0)} = 1928.3^{+1.8\%}_{-0.15\%} \text{ fb.}$$

$$\sigma^{(0,0)} + \delta\sigma^{(1,0)} + \delta\sigma^{(0,1)} + \delta\sigma^{(2,0)} + \delta\sigma^{(1,1)} = 1912.6^{+0.65\%}_{-0\%} \text{ fb}$$

including  
QCDxEWK

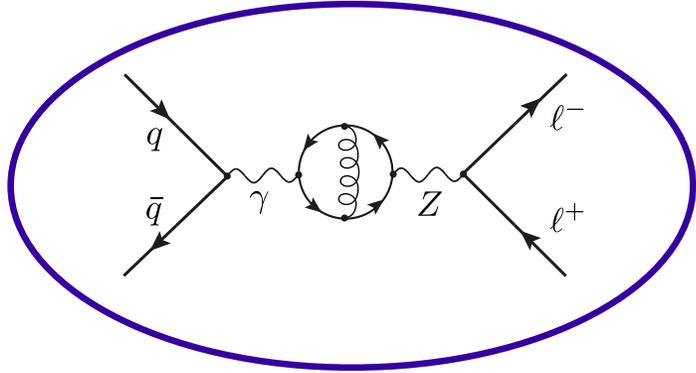
QCDxEW remove large  
input-scheme dependence  
from NLO QCD

Theoretical uncertainty  
below 1% upon including  
mixed corrections

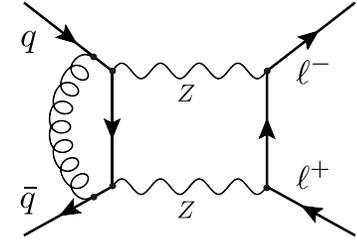
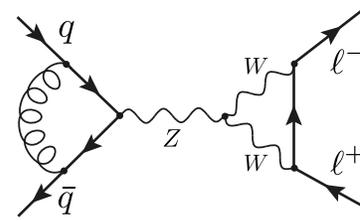
N3LO QCD essential  
for realistic 1% level accuracy

# Two-loop amplitudes: anatomy

Fermionic contributions



Bosonic contributions



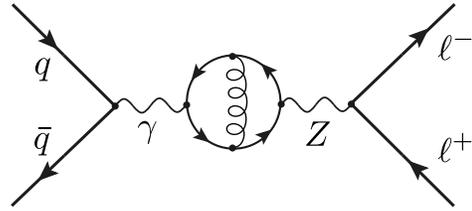
just two-point functions (*easy*)

Only contribution to  $\alpha$   
renormalization at  $O(\alpha\alpha_s)$

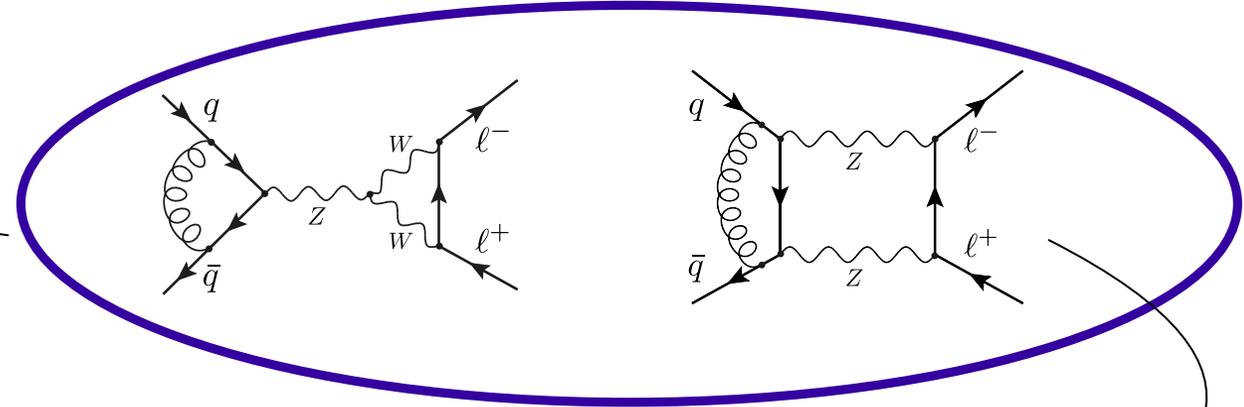
However:  
contains  $\log^2(m_t^2/s)$ .  
Grow large @ high invariant mass

# Two-loop amplitudes: anatomy

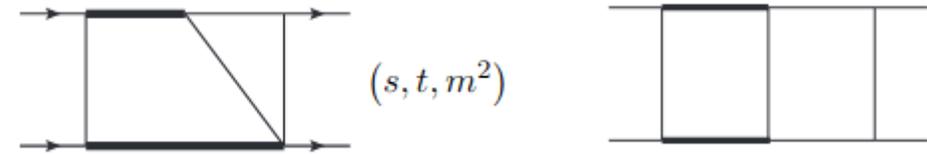
Fermionic contributions



Bosonic contributions



Much harder: highly complicated two-loop master integrals.  
Up to **two internal masses** (non-trivial resonance structure)



non-rationalizable roots

Fully **analytic computation** of two-loop **helicity amplitudes** for dilepton production [Heller, von Manteuffel, Schabinger, Spiesberger 1907.00491,2012.05918]

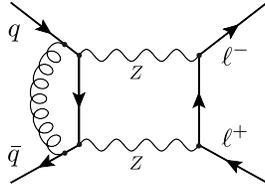
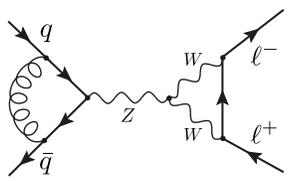
**Integration** of integrals with non-rationalizable roots  
in terms of **multiple polylogarithms**

Result expressed in terms of well known **generalised polylogs** (GPLs)

Evaluation time:  $\sim 0.8$  s/psp

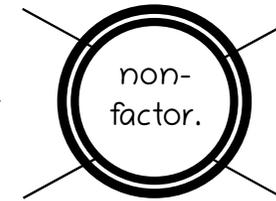
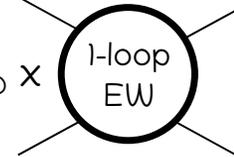
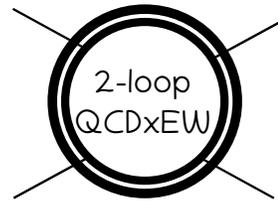
Shall not forget  
about  $\gamma_5$  related issues  
in dim-reg!

# Two-loop amplitudes: anatomy



Bosonic contributions :  
1-loop QCD x 1-loop EWK "factorisable" + a "non-factorisable" bit

Gauge invariant separation



non-factorizable part

factorizable part

genuine two-loop contribution.  
Highly complicated (no dominant Sudakov logs)

one-loop complexity  
contains dominant Sudakov logs

Factorisable part of the amplitude dominates throughout the phase space we have investigated (8/9 times larger than non-fact)

Practical advantage:  
reduced MC running time for target accuracy

Picture can change close to resonances

