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***Approaching Higgs production***

***from an effective-theory point of view***

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## Part 1

introduction

- $i_1 i_2 \rightarrow H \rightarrow f_1 f_2$
- a diagrammatic point of view

## Part 2

with M. Beneke, S. Chapovsky,  
G. Zanderighi

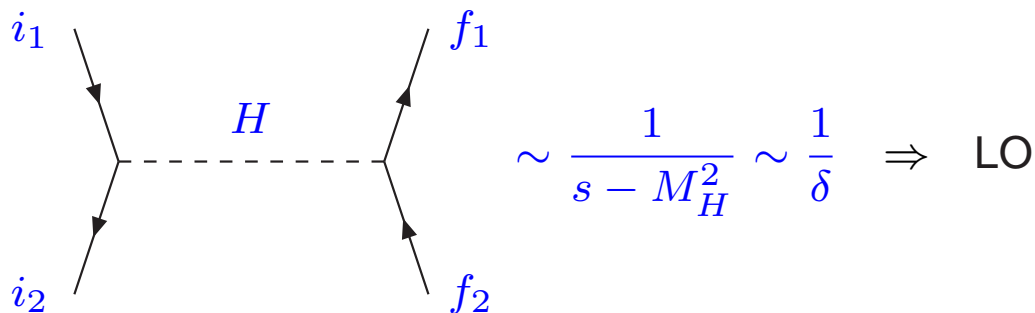
- toy model
- an effective-theory approach

## Part 3

with C. Anastasiou, F. Dulat,  
B. Mistlberger, Z. Kunszt

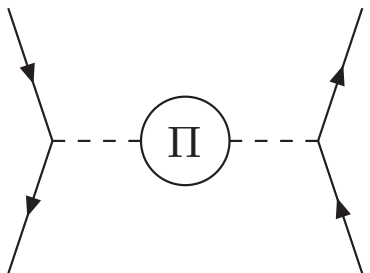
- from toy model towards the Standard Model
- under construction

- Consider process  $i_1 i_2 \rightarrow H \rightarrow f_1 f_2$  with additional constraint  $s \equiv (p_{f_1} + p_{f_2})^2 \sim M_H^2$ .
- observable is **not**  $H$ , but  $f_1 f_2$  pair with invariant mass  $s \sim M_H^2$ .
- two small parameters:  $\alpha$  and  $\delta \equiv \frac{s - M_H^2}{M_H^2}$
- hierarchy of scales  $(s - M_H^2) \ll s \sim M_H^2$  is **the feature**, not gauge invariance (gauge invariance has to be automatic)
- systematically (double) expand in  $\delta \sim \alpha \ll 1$  and **do not worry about gauge invariance**
- start with the tree-level diagram



resummation of self-energy  $\Pi(s, M_H^2, m_X^2)$

usual problem:

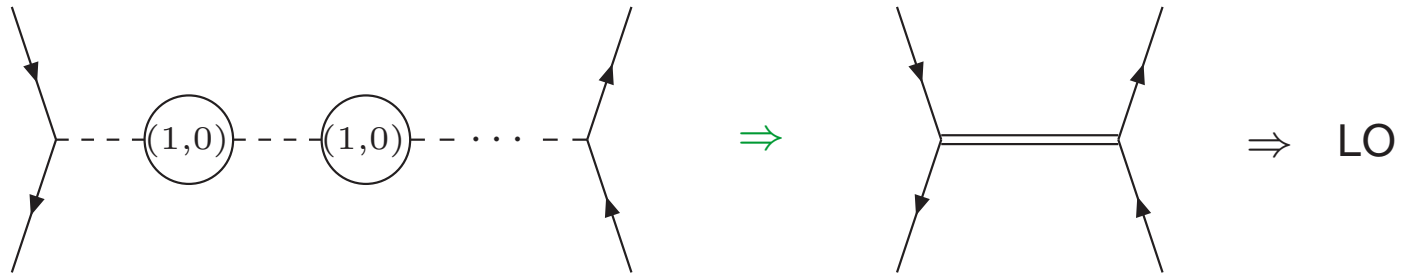


$$\sim \frac{1}{s - M_H^2} \Pi \frac{1}{s - M_H^2} \sim \frac{1}{\delta} \alpha \frac{1}{\delta} \sim \frac{1}{\delta} \Rightarrow \text{LO}$$

expansion in  $\alpha$  and  $\delta$ :

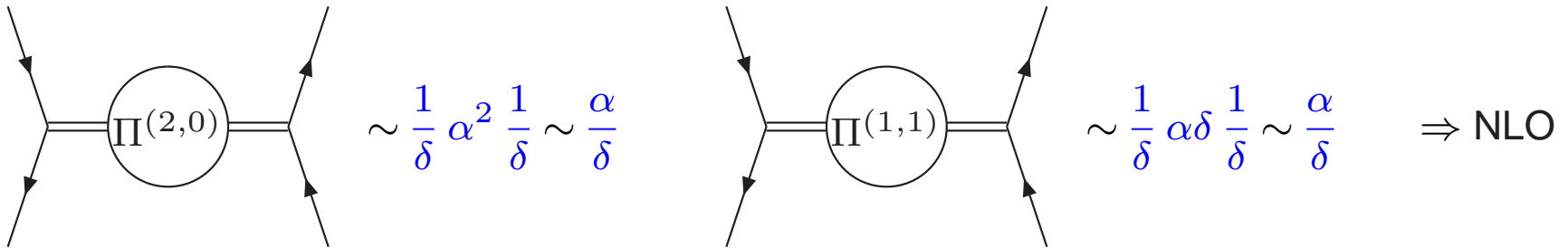
$$\Pi(s, M_H^2, m_X^2) = \sum_{n=1} \alpha^n \sum_{m=0} \delta^m \Pi^{(n,m)}(M_H^2, m_X^2)$$

only leading part  $\alpha \Pi^{(1,0)}(M_H^2, m_X^2)$  needs to be resummed

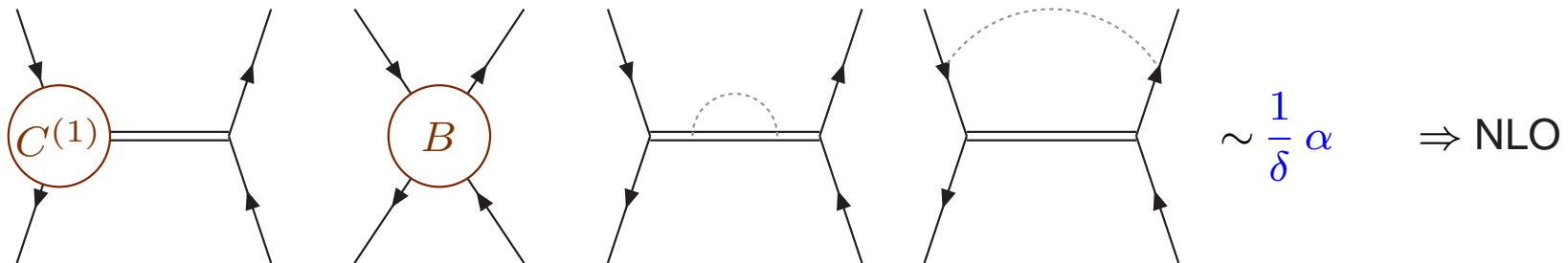


$$\frac{1}{s - M_H^2} \alpha \Pi^{(1,0)} \frac{1}{s - M_H^2} \alpha \Pi^{(1,0)} \dots \Rightarrow \frac{1}{s - M_H^2 - \alpha \Pi^{(1,0)}} \quad (\text{gauge invariant})$$

Propagator insertions beyond LO

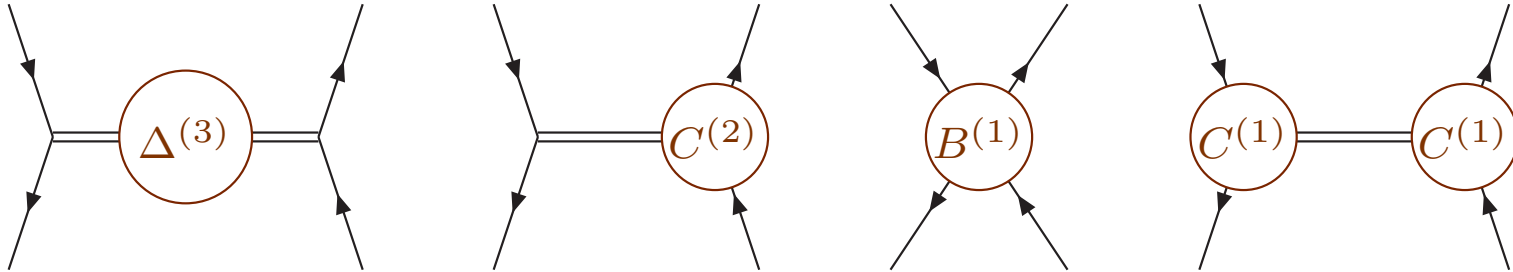


There are additional NLO corrections, have to distinguish between **hard**  $k \sim M$  and soft  $k \ll M$

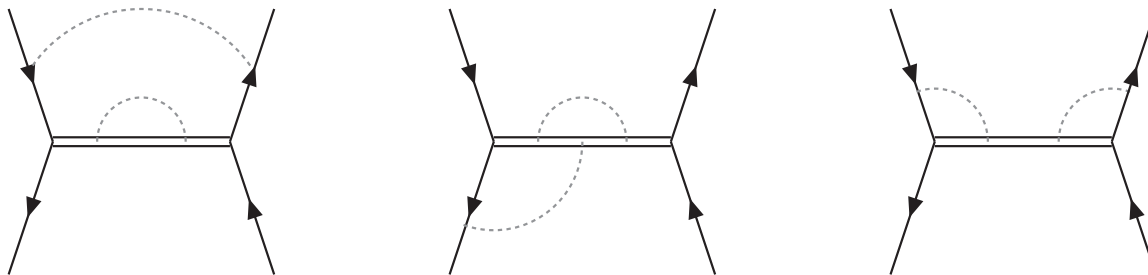


- the **hard** contributions are separately gauge invariant
- the sum of all **soft** contributions is also gauge invariant
- this is not a coincidence, but is due to an underlying structure  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \sum c_i O_i$

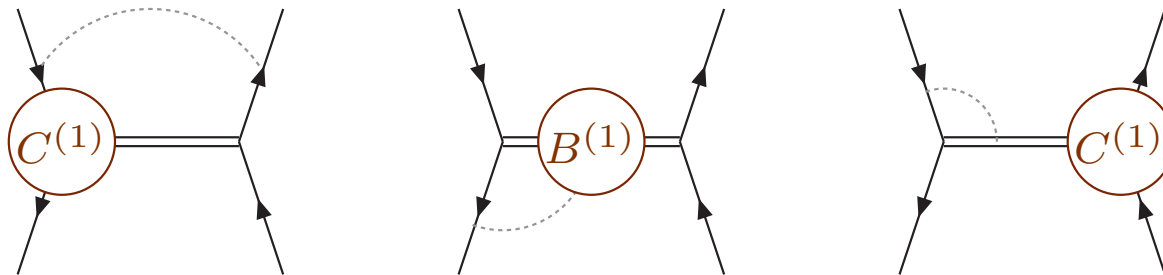
At NNLO there are purely **hard** contributions ...



... purely soft contributions ...



... and mixed **hard** and soft contributions.



- each **hard** coefficient is separately gauge independent
- **factorizable corrections**
- gauge dependence of soft contributions cancel in the sum of all soft diagrams
- **non-factorizable corrections**

- split into **hard** and soft cannot be done on a diagrammatic level, certain Feynman diagrams contribute to **hard** and soft
- use method of regions to split into **hard** and soft [Beneke, Smirnov] and follow usual effective-theory procedure (HQET, NRQCD, SCET)
- use effective theory methods to systematically expand in  $\alpha \sim \delta \sim \Gamma/m$  [Chapovsky, Khoze, AS, Stirling]
- identify relevant modes (usually more than simply **hard** and soft, depends on details of observable) → asymptotic expansion [Beneke, Chapovsky, AS, Zanderighi]
- integrate out ‘unwanted’ modes → tower of effective theories (Unstable Particle Effective Theory)
- **hard** effects correspond to **factorizable** corrections
- **non-factorizable** corrections due to still dynamical modes
- this is neither a “quick-fix” nor a “free lunch”, it is a method to identify the minimal amount of calculation to be done for a systematic expansion in the small parameters
- **gauge invariance** is automatic since the split into the various contributions respects gauge invariance

Toy model with charged (under massless  $U(1)$ ) Higgs, massless electron and massless neutrino [Beneke, Chapovsky, AS, Zanderighi]

- Lagrangian:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = & (D_\mu \phi)^\dagger D^\mu \phi - \hat{M}^2 \phi^\dagger \phi + \bar{\psi} i \not{D} \psi + \bar{\chi} i \not{\partial} \chi - \frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} \\ & - \frac{1}{2\xi} (\partial_\mu A^\mu)^2 + y \phi \bar{\psi} \chi + y^* \phi^\dagger \bar{\chi} \psi - \frac{\lambda}{4} (\phi^\dagger \phi)^2 - \mathcal{L}_{\text{ct}} \end{aligned}$$

- Process:

$$\bar{\nu}(p_1) e^-(p_2) \rightarrow \phi \rightarrow X$$

with  $s - \hat{M}^2 \sim M\Gamma$ . Use optical theorem and compute  $\text{Im } \mathcal{T}$

- scales: decay time  $1/M$ , lifetime  $1/\Gamma \gg 1/M$
- counting:  $\alpha_g = \frac{g^2}{4\pi} \sim \alpha_y = \frac{yy^*}{4\pi} \sim \delta \equiv \frac{s - \hat{M}^2}{\hat{M}^2}$  and  $\frac{\alpha_\lambda}{4\pi} = \frac{\lambda}{(4\pi)^2} \sim \frac{\alpha_g^2}{4\pi}$
- expand in  $\alpha \sim \alpha_g \sim \alpha_y$  and  $\delta \sim \Gamma/M \sim \alpha$  “at Lagrangian level”
- fermions: SCET; scalar (higgs): H”Q”ET



underlying  
theory

$$\mathcal{L}(\phi_h, \phi_c, \phi_s)$$

dynamical modes:

hard, collinear, soft

integrate out  
hard modes

effective  
theory

factorizable  
corrections

non-factorizable  
corrections

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_n c_n(\mathbf{h}) O_n(\phi_c, \phi_s)$$

dynamical modes:

collinear, soft

Soft-Collinear Effective Theory

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Heavy “Quark” Effective Theory

fermions

higgs

$$p^\mu = (n_+ p) \frac{n_-}{2} + (n_- p) \frac{n_+}{2} + p_\perp$$

$$n_\pm^2 = 0, \quad n_+ n_- = 2$$

$$q^\mu = M v^\mu + k^\mu; \quad q_\perp = q^\mu - v^\mu (q v)$$

$$v^\mu \equiv (q_1^\mu + q_2^\mu) / \sqrt{s}, \quad v^2 = 1$$

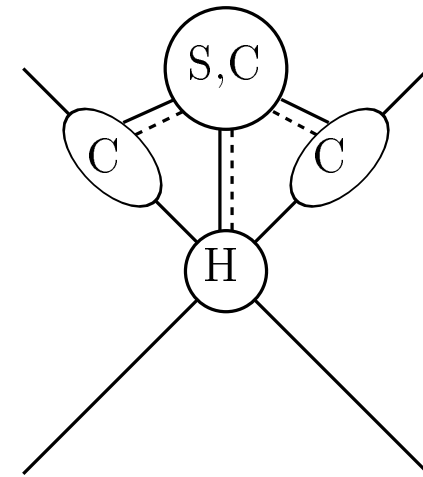
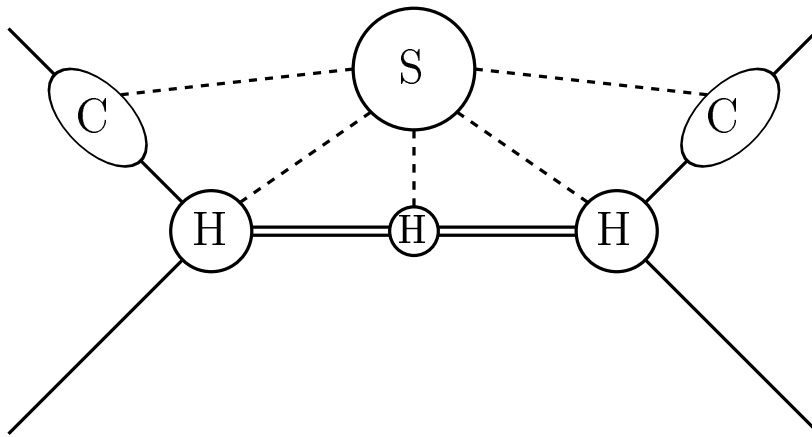
hard:  $p \sim M$

hard:  $k^\mu \sim M$

(u)soft:  $p \sim M\delta$

soft:  $k^\mu \sim \delta$

collinear:  $p_\perp \sim M\delta^{1/2}; n_+ p \sim M; n_- p \sim M\delta$



The effective Lagrangian for the NLO line shape:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = & -\frac{1}{4} F_s^{\mu\nu} F_{s\mu\nu} + 2\hat{M} \phi_v^\dagger \left( i(vD_s) - \frac{\Delta}{2} \right) \phi_v + 2\hat{M} \phi_v^\dagger \left( \frac{iD_{s\top}^2}{2\hat{M}} + \frac{\Delta^2}{8\hat{M}} \right) \phi_v \\
 & + \bar{\psi}_s i \not{D}_s \psi_s + \bar{\chi}_s i \not{\partial} \chi_s + \bar{\psi}_{n-} \left( in_- D + \not{D}_{c\top} \frac{i}{n_+ D_c} \not{D}_{c\top} \right) \psi_{n-} \\
 & + C \left( y \phi_v \bar{\psi}_{n-} \chi_{n+} + y^* \phi_v^\dagger \bar{\chi}_{n+} \psi_{n-} \right) + \frac{yy^* B}{4\hat{M}^2} (\bar{\psi}_{n-} \chi_{n+}) (\bar{\chi}_{n+} \psi_{n-}) + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

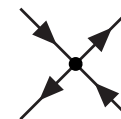
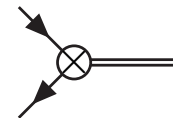
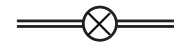
Matching coefficients (contain hard effects)

- $$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta & \equiv (\bar{s} - \hat{M}^2)/\hat{M} = \sum_i \Delta^{(i)} \\
 & = \hat{M} \Pi^{(1,0)} + \hat{M} (\Pi^{(2,0)} + \Pi^{(1,1)} \Pi^{(1,0)}) + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

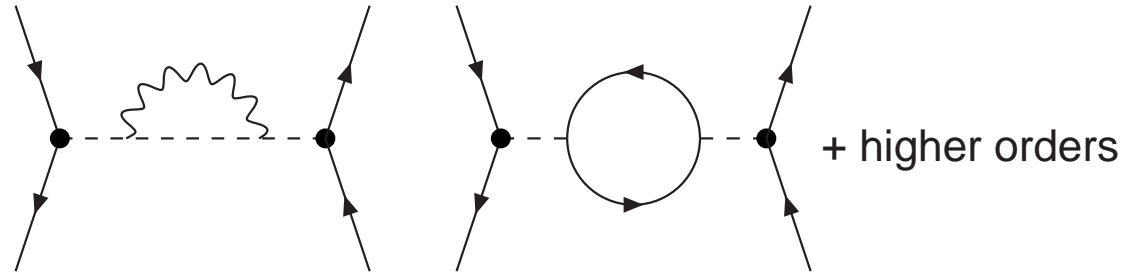
In the pole scheme:  $\Delta = -i\Gamma$

- $$C = 1 + \alpha C^{(1)} + \dots$$

- $$B = 1 + \alpha B^{(1)} + \dots$$



Consider self-energy diagrams

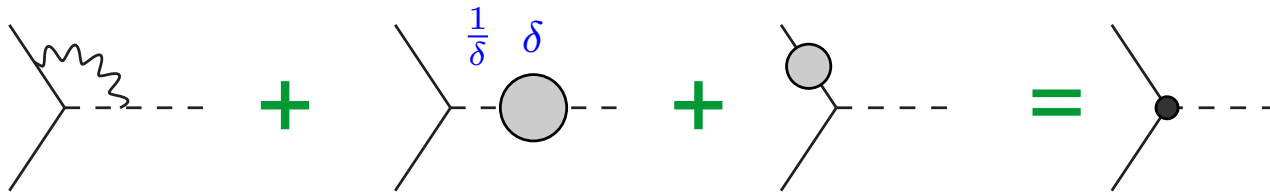


split self-energy into **hard** and **soft** part  $\Pi(s) = \Pi_h(s) + \Pi_s(s)$  and expand the **hard part** of the self energy  $\Pi_h(s) = \hat{M}^2 \sum \alpha^k \delta^l \Pi^{(k,l)}$

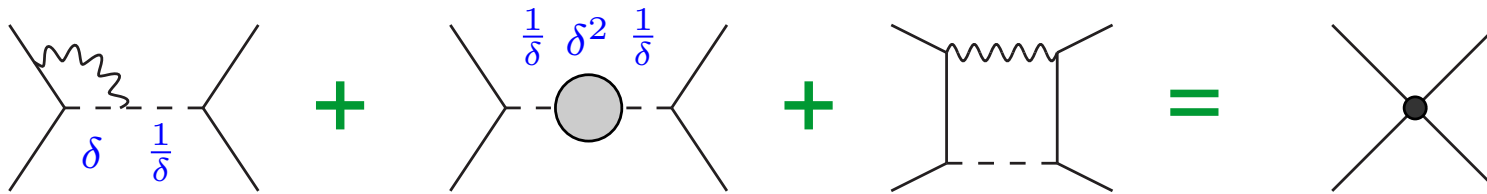
- $\Pi^{(1,0)}$  (gauge independent)  $\rightarrow \Delta^{(1)}$  (LO, Propagator)
- $\Pi^{(1,1)}$  (gauge dependent)  $\rightarrow C^{(1)}$  (NLO)
- $\Pi^{(1,2)}$  (gauge dependent)  $\rightarrow B^{(1)}$  (NNLO)
- $\Pi^{(2,0)}$  and  $\Pi^{(1,0)}\Pi^{(1,1)}$  (separately gauge dependent)  $\rightarrow \Delta^{(2)}$  (NLO, gauge independent)
- $\Pi_s$  (gauge dependent)  $\rightarrow$  diagram in effective theory (NLO)

Matching of  $C$  (in  $\overline{\text{MS}}$  scheme)

$$C = 1 + \frac{\alpha_y}{4\pi} \left[ \ln \frac{M^2}{\mu^2} - \frac{1}{4} - \frac{i\pi}{2} \right] + \frac{\alpha_g}{4\pi} \left[ -\frac{1}{\bar{\epsilon}^2} + \frac{1}{\bar{\epsilon}} \left( \ln \frac{M^2}{\mu^2} - \frac{5}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \ln^2 \frac{M^2}{\mu^2} + \frac{7}{4} \ln \frac{M^2}{\mu^2} - \frac{15}{4} - \frac{\pi^2}{12} \right]$$



Matching of  $B$  at order  $\alpha$  (contributes at NNLO)

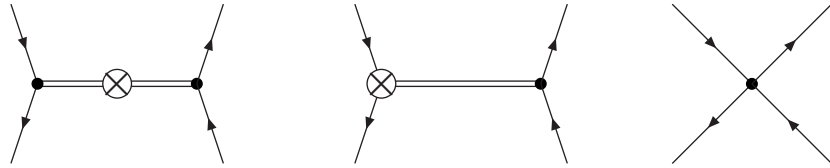


gauge dependence cancels

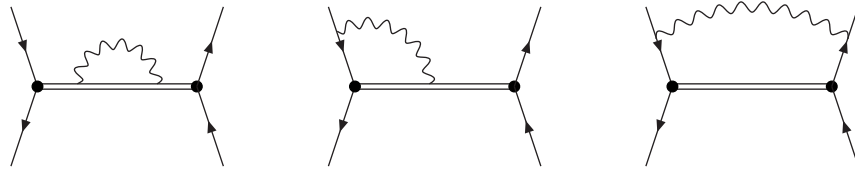
Explicit results in  $\overline{\text{MS}}$  scheme

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\Delta^{(1)}}{\hat{M}} &= a_g \left( -3 \ln \frac{\hat{M}^2}{\mu^2} + 7 \right) + a_y \left( 2 \ln \frac{\hat{M}^2}{\mu^2} - 4 - 2i\pi \right) \\
\frac{\Delta^{(2)}}{\hat{M}} &= a_g^2 \left( 8 \ln^2 \frac{\hat{M}^2}{\mu^2} + \frac{16}{3} \ln \frac{\hat{M}^2}{\mu^2} - \frac{193}{4} + \frac{40\pi^2}{3} - 16\pi^2 \log(2) + 24\zeta(3) \right) \\
&+ a_y^2 \left( \ln^2 \frac{\hat{M}^2}{\mu^2} - (11 + 10i\pi) \ln \frac{\hat{M}^2}{\mu^2} + \frac{89}{4} - \frac{23\pi^2}{3} + 13i\pi \right) \\
&+ a_g a_y \left( -9 \ln^2 \frac{\hat{M}^2}{\mu^2} + (31 + 12i\pi) \ln \frac{\hat{M}^2}{\mu^2} - \frac{115}{4} + 5\pi^2 - 24\zeta(3) - 41i\pi + \frac{8i\pi^3}{3} \right) \\
&+ a_\lambda \left( \ln \frac{\hat{M}^2}{\mu^2} - 1 \right) \\
C^{(1)} &= a_y \left( \log \frac{\hat{M}^2}{\mu^2} - \frac{1}{4} - \frac{i\pi}{2} \right) \\
&+ a_g \left( -\frac{1}{\epsilon^2} + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left( \ln \frac{\hat{M}^2}{\mu^2} - \frac{5}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \ln^2 \frac{\hat{M}^2}{\mu^2} + \frac{7}{4} \ln \frac{\hat{M}^2}{\mu^2} - \frac{15}{4} - \frac{\pi^2}{12} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

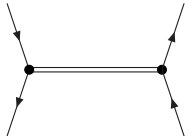
Forward scattering amplitude at NLO:



$$i\mathcal{T}_h^{(1)} = i\mathcal{T}^{(0)} \times \left( 2C^{(1)} - \frac{[\Delta^{(1)}]^2}{8\mathcal{D}\hat{M}} + \frac{\Delta^{(2)}}{2\mathcal{D}} - \frac{\mathcal{D}}{2\hat{M}} \right)$$

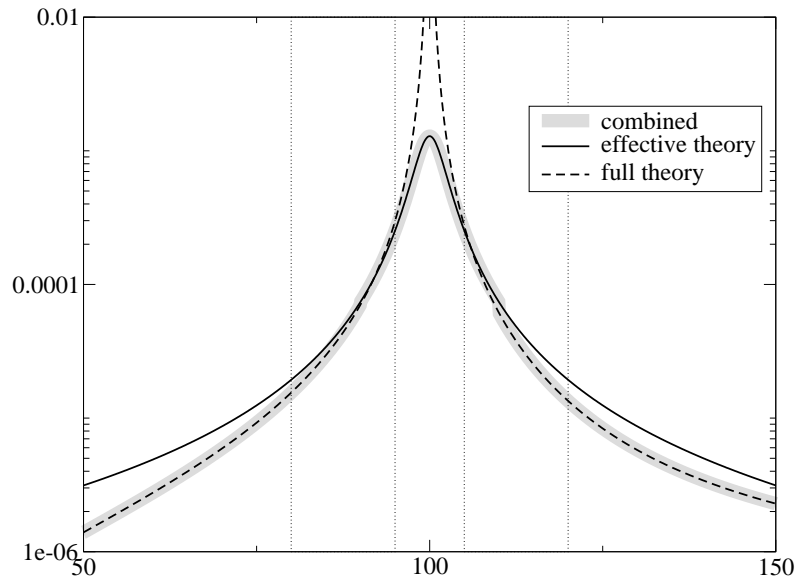


$$i\mathcal{T}_s^{(1)} = i\mathcal{T}^{(0)} \frac{\alpha_g}{4\pi} \left( \frac{-2\mathcal{D}}{\mu} \right)^{-2\epsilon} \times \left( \frac{2}{\epsilon^2} + \frac{2}{\epsilon} + 4 + \frac{5\pi^2}{6} \right)$$

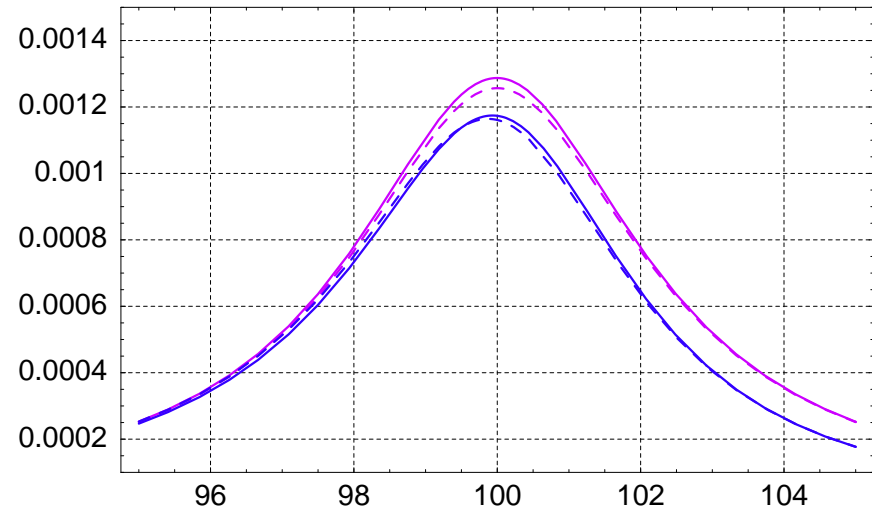
where   $= i\mathcal{T}^{(0)} = \frac{-yy^*s}{4\hat{M}\mathcal{D}}$  with  $\mathcal{D} \equiv \sqrt{s} - \hat{M} - \frac{\Delta^{(1)}}{2}$

poles  $1/\epsilon$  cancel when adding soft and hard contributions (up to initial state collinear singularity)

Partonic cross section for  $M = 100 \text{ GeV}$  as a function of  $\sqrt{s}$ .



full range of  $\sqrt{s}$ : matching of resonant to off-resonant cross section



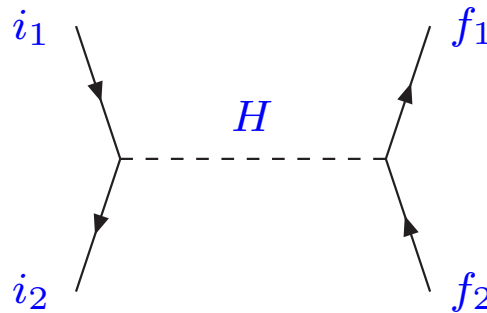
resonant region: LO vs. NLO for pole and  $\overline{\text{MS}}$  scheme



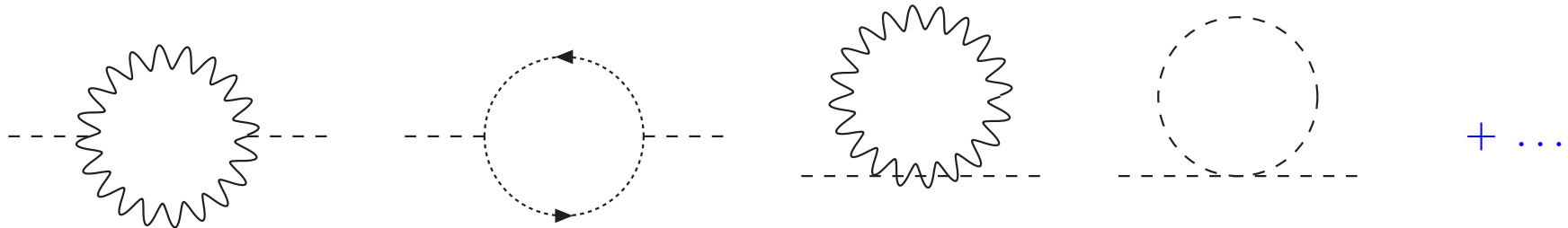
## From toy model to Standard Model

- effective theory relies on the fact that all scales are explicit
- main issue in Standard Model: apart from  $M_H$  (hard) and  $\delta \cdot M_H = (s - M_H)^2 / M_H$  (soft) there are additional scales  $M_W, M_Z, \xi M_W, \xi M_Z, M_t \dots$
- external particles not necessarily massless
- structure of effective theory and method of region has to be adapted
- consider:  $i_1 i_2 \rightarrow H \rightarrow f_1 f_2$

with  $(i_1, i_2) \in \{(g, g), (b, \bar{b})\}$  and  $(f_1, f_2) \in \{(b, \bar{b}), (t, \bar{t}), (Z, Z), (W^+, W^-) \dots\}$

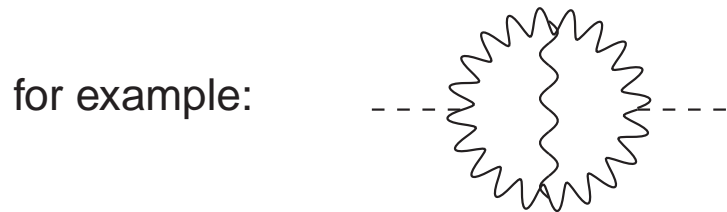


At LO we need hard part of one-loop self energy:



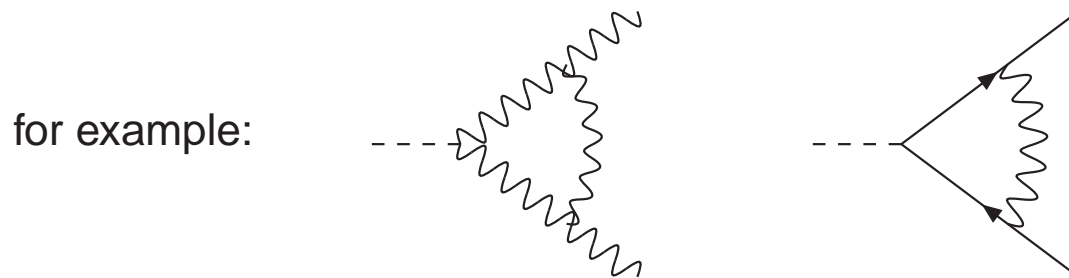
- expansion of tadpole and bubble integrals into hard ( $k \sim M_H$ ) and soft ( $k \ll M_H$ ), assuming  $M_Z \sim \xi M_Z M_W \sim \xi M_W \sim \ll M_H$  reproduces full integrals
- these contributions, i.e.  $\Delta^{(1)}$  are **process independent** (and obviously gauge independent) and have to be resummed  $\Rightarrow$  effective-theory propagator
- the only (trivial) dependence on the process is in the tree-level vertices  $H \rightarrow XY$

At NLO we need hard part of two-loop self energy for process independent  $\Delta^{(2)}$  ...



involves scales:  $M_H$ ,  $(\xi)M_W$  and  $m_\gamma = 0$

... hard part of one-loop vertices for process dependent  $C^{(1)}$  ...



... and process dependent soft contributions

- effective theories are a proven tool for processes with kinematic constraints such as  $s \sim M^2$ 
  - systematic expansion in **all** small quantities
  - resummation always through renormalization-group equations
- this offers a complementary approach, useful for comparison and cross checks
- application of effective-theory methods to the full Standard Model in the case of Higgs production has a number of additional complications
  - additional scales
  - massive external particles
  - more involved structure of effective theory
- goal: description of most relevant processes at NLO (in effective theory counting)  
this requires:
  - two-loop self-energy **process independent**
  - one-loop vertices **process dependent**
  - four-point vertices **process dependent**
  - soft (non-hard) contributions **process dependent**