

Higgs transverse-momentum resummation at N^3LL

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Higgs p_t precision studies

- ▶ Increase in statistics at the LHC allows to study Higgs differential distributions in detail.
- ▶ Higgs p_t can be used shed light on potential BSM contributions. For example
 - ▶ Gluon-fusion sensitive to various dimension-6 operators in different regions of the p_t spectrum [Grazzini et al., 1612.00283].
 - ▶ Very competitive constraints on the charm Yukawa at the high-luminosity LHC using p_t distribution [Bishara et al., 1606.09253].
 - ▶ Constraints on the trilinear Higgs coupling in the VH and VBF modes [Bizon et al., 1610.05771].

Fixed-order vs resummed transverse momentum

- ▶ In the dominant gluon-fusion mode, fixed-order predictions for $H+1$ jet available at NNLO QCD in the EFT ($m_t \rightarrow \infty$) [Boughezal et al., 1504.07922, 1505.03893], [Caola, Melnikov, Schulze, 1508.02684], [Chen et al., 1607.08817]. Quark-mass effects available at LO, top-bottom interference at NLO [Lindert et al., 1703.03886].
- ▶ Higgs p_t accurately predicted ($\sim 5 - 10\%$) at fixed order in the hard tails $p_t \sim M$, $M =$ hard scale $\mathcal{O}(\text{Higgs mass})$.
- ▶ When $p_t \ll M$, soft/collinear QCD radiation generates large logarithms that spoil fixed-order perturbation theory:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dp_t} \sim \frac{1}{p_t} \alpha_S^n \ln^k(M/p_t), \quad k \leq 2n - 1.$$

Enhanced logarithmic contributions **to be resummed at all orders**.

- ▶ Logarithmic accuracy usually defined at the level of the logarithm of the cumulative cross section Σ :

$$\Sigma(p_t) = \int_0^{p_t} \frac{d\sigma}{dp'_t} dp'_t \sim e^{\alpha_S^n L^{n+1} + \alpha_S^n L^n + \alpha_S^n L^{n-1} + \alpha_S^n L^{n-2} + \dots}$$

for LL, NLL, NNLL, N³LL respectively, with $L = \ln(M/p_t)$.

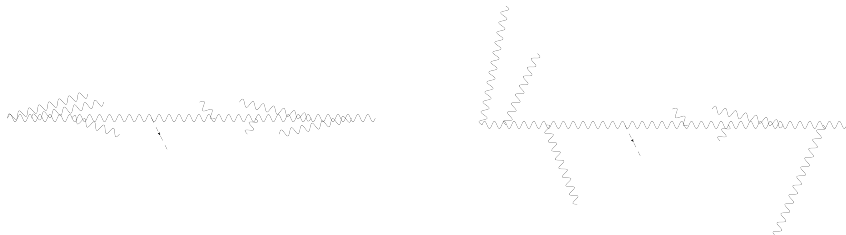
Conjugate-space vs direct-space resummation

- ▶ Different approaches to resummation of transverse observables, usually performed in conjugate spaces where they factorise.
- ▶ In most of the cases resummation **can be performed in direct space**: well developed technology [Banfi, Salam, Zanderighi, 0112156, 0304148, 0407286] for observables V satisfying **recursive infrared and collinear (rIRC) safety**.
 - ▶ Scaling properties of V are the same for any number of soft/collinear emissions.
 - ▶ Properties unchanged if one adds an infinitely soft/collinear emission: the more soft/collinear, the less it contributes to the value of the observable.
- ▶ Most IRC-safe observables are rIRC-safe, **not a severe restriction** on the class of resumable observables.
- ▶ Logarithmic structure of general rIRC-safe observables known up to NNLL [Banfi et al., 1412.2126, 1607.03111]. For rIRC-unsafe observables, structure unknown beyond LL.
- ▶ **Higgs p_t is rIRC-safe** (and global, rapidity-independent, inclusive). What is the problem then?

Resummation of rIRC-safe observables - sketch

- ▶ Contributions to $\Sigma(v) = \int_0^v \frac{d\sigma}{dV} dV$ organised in terms a set of **unresolved emissions** (softer than some ϵv), giving rise to a Sudakov radiator, and an ensemble of **resolved emissions** k_1, \dots, k_n (harder than ϵv).
- ▶ Analytical manipulations performed on the Sudakov and on the resolved contributions to the observable, $V(k_i)$, in order to only retain contributions up to a given logarithmic accuracy.
- ▶ **Usually integrals dominated by $V(k_i) \sim v$** . Functions $f(V(k_i))$ expanded around $f(v)$. Subsequent terms in the expansion give subleading $\ln(1/v)$.
- ▶ These steps, that work for ‘standard’ rIRC-safe observables, **do not for $v = p_t$: one ends up with a formula that is singular at a finite value of p_t** .
- ▶ Long-known problem for p_t resummation in momentum space [Frixione, Nason, Ridolfi, 9809367]: at any logarithmic order beyond LL in terms of $\ln(M/p_t)$, **resummation in p_t space cannot be simultaneously free of subleading terms and of spurious singularities**.

Two competing mechanisms at small p_t



- ▶ Each emission i has small k_{ti} (left): $k_{tn} < \dots < k_{t2} < k_{t1} \sim p_t \sim 0$. Sudakov limit, sensible $\ln(M/p_t)$ counting, **exponential suppression of $\Sigma(p_t)$ at small p_t** .
- ▶ **Large azimuthal cancellations** (right): $k_{tn} < \dots < k_{t2} < k_{t1} \gg p_t \sim 0$. $p_t \rightarrow 0$ away from the Sudakov limit, **$\Sigma(p_t) \sim p_t^2$ at small p_t** [Parisi, Petronzio, 1979].
- ▶ Power-like suppression from the region **$k_{ti} \gg p_t$ dominates over the Sudakov mechanism** in the $p_t \rightarrow 0$ limit.
- ▶ **Hierarchy in $\ln(M/p_t)$ is not sensible: neglected effects actually dominate the limit.** Impossible to recover power behaviour at a given order in $\ln(M/p_t)$.
- ▶ Establish a well defined logarithmic counting in momentum space. [Monni, Re, Torrielli, 1604.02191], [Ebert, Tackmann, 1611.08610], [Bizon et al., 1705.09127]

Traditional solution: b space

- For inclusive observables, vectorial nature of the azimuthal cancellations handled via a Fourier transform [Parisi, Petronzio, 1979], [Collins, Soper, Sterman, 1985], [Bozzi et al., 0508068], see also [Becher, Neubert, Wilhelm, 1212.2621].

$$\delta^{(2)}(\vec{p}_t - (\vec{k}_{t1} + \dots + \vec{k}_{tn})) = \int \frac{d^2\vec{b}}{4\pi^2} e^{-i\vec{b}\cdot\vec{p}_t} \prod_{i=1}^n e^{i\vec{b}\cdot\vec{k}_{ti}},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2\Sigma(p_t)}{d\Phi_B dp_t} &= \sum_{c_1, c_2} \frac{d|M_B|_{c_1 c_2}^2}{d\Phi_B} \int b db p_t J_0(p_t b) \mathbf{f}^T(b_0/b) \mathbf{C}_{N_1}^{c_1; T}(\alpha_S(b_0/b)) H_{\text{CSS}}(M) \mathbf{C}_{N_2}^{c_2}(\alpha_S(b_0/b)) \mathbf{f}(b_0/b) \\ &\times \exp \left\{ - \sum_{\ell=1}^2 \int_{b_0/b}^M \frac{dk_t}{k_t} \mathbf{R}'_{\text{CSS}, \ell}(k_t) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

- \mathbf{C} (coefficient functions) and H_{CSS} (form factor) known up to $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^2)$ [Catani, Grazzini, 1106.4652], [Gehrmann, Luebbert, Yang, 1403.6451].

$$\sum_{\ell=1}^2 \int_{b_0/b}^M \frac{dk_t}{k_t} \mathbf{R}'_{\text{CSS}, \ell}(k_t) = \sum_{\ell=1}^2 \int_{b_0/b}^M \frac{dk_t}{k_t} \left(A_{\text{CSS}, \ell}(\alpha_S(k_t)) \ln(M^2/k_t^2) + B_{\text{CSS}, \ell}(\alpha_S(k_t)) \right).$$

- A_{CSS} and B_{CSS} anomalous dimensions known up to N³LL (but for the four-loop cusp) [Davies, Stirling, 1984], [de Florian, Grazzini, 0008152], [Becher, Neubert, 1007.4005], [Li, Zhu, 1604.01404].

A solution in momentum space

- Multiple-emission squared amplitude organised into **n -particle-correlated blocks**. For example 2-particle correlated:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Diagram with two external wavy lines and two internal wavy lines connected by two shaded ovals} \\
 &= \text{Diagram with two external wavy lines and two internal wavy lines connected by a single shaded oval} + \left(\text{Diagram with two external wavy lines and two internal wavy lines connected by two shaded ovals} \right) + \dots \\
 & \qquad \qquad \qquad \mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^2 L^4) \qquad \qquad \qquad \mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^2 L^3)
 \end{aligned}$$

- Blocks classified (due to rIRC-safety) according to the logarithmic order at which they contribute. The more correlated, the more logarithmically subleading.
- Introduce a **resolution scale ϵk_{t1}** (as opposed to $\epsilon p_t!$). ϵ is a slicing parameter to be eventually taken $\rightarrow 0$.
 - By rIRC safety, blocks with total $k_{ti} < \epsilon k_{t1}$ (**unresolved**) do not contribute significantly to the observable. Integrated inclusively in d dimensions, they exponentiate and regularise the virtuals giving rise to the Sudakov:

$$e^{-R(\epsilon k_{t1})} = e^{-R(k_{t1}) - \ln(1/\epsilon) R'(k_{t1}) - \dots}$$
 - Blocks with total $k_{ti} > \epsilon k_{t1}$ (**resolved**) treated exclusively **in 4 dimensions** and parametrised as derivatives of the Sudakov (wrt $\ln(M/k_{ti})$) $R'(k_{ti})$.
Resolved k_{ti} are of the same order as k_{t1} .

- ϵ -dependence in the resolved cancels against the one in the Sudakov, leaving ϵ^p effects.

A solution in momentum space - comments

- ▶ Resolved k_{ti} are of the same order of k_{t1} but not necessarily $\sim p_t$: all kinematic configurations are taken into account, without assumptions on the hierarchy between k_{ti} and p_t . In particular the phase-space region $k_{ti} \gg p_t$ is accounted for.
- ▶ By including the contributions from the $k_{ti} \gg p_t$ region, the spurious singularities at finite p_t are removed.
- ▶ This is also the reason why the b space works.
- ▶ Logarithmic counting is defined in terms of $\ln(M/k_{ti})$.
- ▶ In the Sudakov limit, where the hierarchy in $\ln(M/p_t)$ makes sense, $k_{ti} \sim p_t \sim 0 \implies$ same as resummation of $\ln(M/p_t)$. Logarithmic accuracy in $\ln(M/k_{ti})$ translates into the same accuracy in $\ln(M/p_t)$ plus subleading terms.

Momentum-space resummation at N³LL: equivalence with b space

► Result at N³LL is:

$$\frac{d\Sigma(v)}{d\Phi_B} = \int_{c_1} \frac{dN_1}{2\pi i} \int_{c_2} \frac{dN_2}{2\pi i} x_1^{-N_1} x_2^{-N_2} \sum_{c_1, c_2} \frac{d|M_B|_{c_1 c_2}^2}{d\Phi_B} \mathbf{f}_{N_1}^T(\mu_0) \hat{\Sigma}_{N_1, N_2}^{c_1, c_2}(v) \mathbf{f}_{N_2}(\mu_0)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\Sigma}_{N_1, N_2}^{c_1, c_2}(v) &= \left[\mathbf{C}_{N_1}^{c_1; T}(\alpha_s(\mu_0)) H(\mu_R) \mathbf{C}_{N_2}^{c_2}(\alpha_s(\mu_0)) \right] \int_0^M \frac{dk_{t1}}{k_{t1}} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\phi_1}{2\pi} \\ &\times e^{-\mathbf{R}(\epsilon k_{t1})} \exp \left\{ - \sum_{\ell=1}^2 \left(\int_{\epsilon k_{t1}}^{\mu_0} \frac{dk_t}{k_t} \frac{\alpha_s(k_t)}{\pi} \mathbf{\Gamma}_{N_\ell}(\alpha_s(k_t)) + \int_{\epsilon k_{t1}}^{\mu_0} \frac{dk_t}{k_t} \mathbf{\Gamma}_{N_\ell}^{(C)}(\alpha_s(k_t)) \right) \right\} \\ &\sum_{\ell_1=1}^2 \left(\mathbf{R}'_{\ell_1}(k_{t1}) + \frac{\alpha_s(k_{t1})}{\pi} \mathbf{\Gamma}_{N_{\ell_1}}(\alpha_s(k_{t1})) + \mathbf{\Gamma}_{N_{\ell_1}}^{(C)}(\alpha_s(k_{t1})) \right) \\ &\times \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \prod_{i=2}^{n+1} \int_{\epsilon}^1 \frac{d\zeta_i}{\zeta_i} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\phi_i}{2\pi} \sum_{\ell_i=1}^2 \left(\mathbf{R}'_{\ell_i}(k_{ti}) + \frac{\alpha_s(k_{ti})}{\pi} \mathbf{\Gamma}_{N_{\ell_i}}(\alpha_s(k_{ti})) + \mathbf{\Gamma}_{N_{\ell_i}}^{(C)}(\alpha_s(k_{ti})) \right) \\ &\times \Theta(v - V(\{\tilde{p}\}, k_1, \dots, k_{n+1})), \end{aligned}$$

► $\zeta_i = k_{ti}/k_{t1}$.

► $\mathbf{\Gamma}_{N_{\ell_i}}, \mathbf{\Gamma}_{N_{\ell_i}}^{(C)}$ = anomalous dimensions of PDFs and coefficient functions.

► Equivalent to b space, up to a resummation-scheme change: using the Θ representation

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2\Sigma(p_t)}{d\Phi_B dp_t} &= \sum_{c_1, c_2} \frac{d|M_B|_{c_1 c_2}^2}{d\Phi_B} \int b db p_t J_0(p_t b) \mathbf{f}^T(b_0/b) \mathbf{C}_{N_1}^{c_1; T}(\alpha_s(b_0/b)) H(M) \mathbf{C}_{N_2}^{c_2}(\alpha_s(b_0/b)) \mathbf{f}(b_0/b) \\ &\times \exp \left\{ - \sum_{\ell=1}^2 \int_0^M \frac{dk_t}{k_t} \mathbf{R}'_{\ell}(k_t) (1 - J_0(bk_t)) \right\}, \\ \text{with } (1 - J_0(bk_t)) &\simeq \Theta(k_t - \frac{b_0}{b}) + \frac{\zeta_3}{12} \frac{\partial^3}{\partial \ln(Mb/b_0)^3} \Theta(k_t - \frac{b_0}{b}) + \dots, \end{aligned}$$

► ζ_3 term starts at N³LL, absorbed in a redefinition of A_4 , B_3 , and H_2 , (or \mathbf{C}) wrt CSS.

Momentum-space resummation at N³LL

- Above formula presented in Mellin space only to diagonalise PDF evolution.
- At any logarithmic order only a finite number of DGLAP-evolution steps necessary:
analytic Mellin inversion, dealing only with momentum-space quantities.
- Expand k_{ti} **around** k_{t1} in the resolved radiation at the desired logarithmic accuracy.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{d\Sigma(v)}{d\Phi_B} = & \int \frac{dk_{t1}}{k_{t1}} \frac{d\phi_1}{2\pi} \partial_L \left(-e^{-R(k_{t1})} \mathcal{L}_{\text{N}^3\text{LL}}(k_{t1}) \right) \int dZ[\{R', k_i\}] \Theta(v - V(\{\bar{p}\}, k_1, \dots, k_{n+1})) \\
 & + \int \frac{dk_{t1}}{k_{t1}} \frac{d\phi_1}{2\pi} e^{-R(k_{t1})} \int dZ[\{R', k_i\}] \int_0^1 \frac{d\zeta_s}{\zeta_s} \frac{d\phi_s}{2\pi} \left\{ \left(R'(k_{t1}) \mathcal{L}_{\text{NNLL}}(k_{t1}) - \partial_L \mathcal{L}_{\text{NNLL}}(k_{t1}) \right) \right. \\
 & \times \left(R''(k_{t1}) \ln \frac{1}{\zeta_s} + \frac{1}{2} R'''(k_{t1}) \ln^2 \frac{1}{\zeta_s} \right) - R'(k_{t1}) \left(\partial_L \mathcal{L}_{\text{NNLL}}(k_{t1}) - 2 \frac{\beta_0}{\pi} \alpha_s^2(k_{t1}) \hat{P}^{(0)} \otimes \mathcal{L}_{\text{NLL}}(k_{t1}) \ln \frac{1}{\zeta_s} \right) \\
 & + \left. \frac{\alpha_s^2(k_{t1})}{\pi^2} \hat{P}^{(0)} \otimes \hat{P}^{(0)} \otimes \mathcal{L}_{\text{NLL}}(k_{t1}) \right\} \left\{ \Theta(v - V(\{\bar{p}\}, k_1, \dots, k_{n+1}, k_s)) - \Theta(v - V(\{\bar{p}\}, k_1, \dots, k_{n+1})) \right\} \\
 & + \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{dk_{t1}}{k_{t1}} \frac{d\phi_1}{2\pi} e^{-R(k_{t1})} \int dZ[\{R', k_i\}] \int_0^1 \frac{d\zeta_{s1}}{\zeta_{s1}} \frac{d\phi_{s1}}{2\pi} \int_0^1 \frac{d\zeta_{s2}}{\zeta_{s2}} \frac{d\phi_{s2}}{2\pi} R'(k_{t1}) \\
 & \times \left\{ \mathcal{L}_{\text{NLL}}(k_{t1}) \left(R''(k_{t1}) \right)^2 \ln \frac{1}{\zeta_{s1}} \ln \frac{1}{\zeta_{s2}} - \partial_L \mathcal{L}_{\text{NLL}}(k_{t1}) R''(k_{t1}) \left(\ln \frac{1}{\zeta_{s1}} + \ln \frac{1}{\zeta_{s2}} \right) \right. \\
 & + \left. \frac{\alpha_s^2(k_{t1})}{\pi^2} \hat{P}^{(0)} \otimes \hat{P}^{(0)} \otimes \mathcal{L}_{\text{NLL}}(k_{t1}) \right\} \\
 & \times \left\{ \Theta(v - V(\{\bar{p}\}, k_1, \dots, k_{n+1}, k_{s1}, k_{s2})) - \Theta(v - V(\{\bar{p}\}, k_1, \dots, k_{n+1}, k_{s1})) - \right. \\
 & \left. \Theta(v - V(\{\bar{p}\}, k_1, \dots, k_{n+1}, k_{s2})) + \Theta(v - V(\{\bar{p}\}, k_1, \dots, k_{n+1})) \right\} + \mathcal{O} \left(\alpha_s^n \ln^{2n-6} \frac{1}{v} \right),
 \end{aligned}$$

- H and C absorbed in \mathcal{L} .
- Reproduces correct p_t^2 scaling at small p_t (see backup).
- Evaluated numerically by means of **fast Monte Carlo code: RadISH**. $\int dZ[\{R', k_i\}]$ generated as a parton shower.

Advantages with respect to b -space solution?

- ▶ If it were only for p_t , there wouldn't be a clear advantage with respect to b space
 - ▶ ... but possibly for the easier interpretation of the dominant dynamics at $p_t \rightarrow 0$
 - ▶ ... and for potentially more efficient numerical implementations
 - ▶ ... and for the possible connections with parton-shower formalisms
- ▶ However a solution in momentum space is **much less observable-dependent**.
 - ▶ What is learnt for p_t can be **immediately exported** to all other observables of the same class (global, rapidity-independent, inclusive). Extension to more general rIRC-safe observables is conceptually known.
 - ▶ For example, ϵk_{t1} is a correct resolution scale **for all** observables with the same LL as p_t . One can write a generator that computes **all of them** at the same time (p_t, ϕ^* in DY, $p_t(j_1), E_T, \dots$).
 - ▶ It gives access to joint resummations at high logarithmic accuracies.

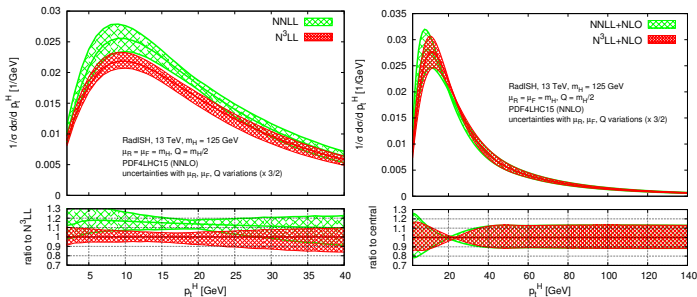
Matching to fixed order

- ▶ Resummation matched to fixed order with a multiplicative scheme ($\Sigma(p_t, \Phi_B) \equiv d\Sigma(p_t)/d\Phi_B$):

$$\Sigma_{\text{MAT}}(p_t, \Phi_B) = (\Sigma_{\text{RES}}(p_t, \Phi_B))^Z \frac{\Sigma_{\text{FO}}(p_t, \Phi_B)}{(\Sigma_{\text{EXP}}(p_t, \Phi_B))^Z},$$
$$\Sigma_{\text{FO}}(p_t, \Phi_B) = \sigma_{pp \rightarrow H}^{\text{N}^k \text{LO}}(\Phi_B) - \int_{p_t} dp'_t \frac{d\sigma_{pp \rightarrow H_j}^{\text{N}^{k-1} \text{LO}}(\Phi_B)}{dp'_t},$$

- ▶ $k = 2, 3$ for fixed-order p_t spectrum at NLO or NNLO.
- ▶ $Z \rightarrow 1$ at small p_t and $Z \rightarrow 0$ at high p_t : resummation turned off asymptotically and total cross section recovered.
- ▶ $\Sigma_{\text{EXP}} =$ expansion of Σ_{RES} up to the relevant order in α_S .
- ▶ Σ_{EXP} determined as linear combination (with analytic coefficients) of master integrals evaluated numerically with high precision.
- ▶ At NNLO ($k = 3$), the multiplicative scheme recovers constant terms of $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^3)$.

Phenomenological results (EFT)



► Left: pure resummation at N³LL and NNLL.

► Pure N³LL correction amounts to 10-15%, in part due to inclusion of constant $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^2)$ coefficient functions and form factor, absent at NNLL.

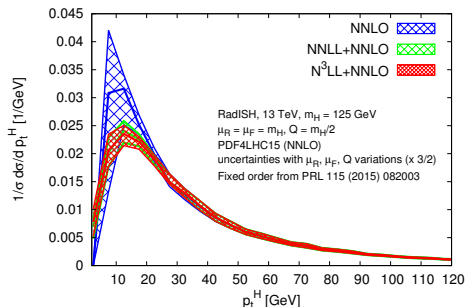
► Reduction in theoretical uncertainty (μ_R, μ_F, Q) compared to NNLL.

► Right: NLO matching (i.e. using $\sigma_{pp \rightarrow H}^{\text{NNLO}}$ and $\sigma_{pp \rightarrow H j}^{\text{NLO}}$).

► N³LL+NLO correction is $\mathcal{O}(10\%)$ around the peak, and somewhat larger at smaller p_t .

► Perturbative uncertainty **halved below 10 GeV**, unchanged elsewhere.

Phenomenological results (EFT)



- ▶ NNLO matching (i.e. using $\sigma_{pp \rightarrow H}^{N^3LO}$ and $\sigma_{pp \rightarrow H_j}^{NNLO}$).
- ▶ N^3LO $pp \rightarrow H$ cross section from [\[Anastasiou et al., 1503.06056\]](#). NNLO $pp \rightarrow H_j$ cross section from [\[Boughezal et al., 1504.07922\]](#)
- ▶ $N^3LL+NNLO$ corrections are a few percent around the peak, and get more sizeable $\mathcal{O}(10\%)$ below 10 GeV.
- ▶ $N^3LL+NNLO$ display only moderate reduction in uncertainty with respect to NNLL+NNLO. Need for very stable NNLO distributions below 10 GeV to appreciate reduction / make a quantitative statement.
- ▶ Quark-mass corrections necessary to improve further.

Conclusions

- ▶ New formalism for p_t resummation up to N³LL in momentum space.
- ▶ Presented for p_t but valid for all inclusive, rapidity-independent, global rIRC-safe observables with (or without) azimuthal cancellations away from the Sudakov limit.
- ▶ Extension to more general rIRC-safe observables possible and under study.
- ▶ Formalism allows an efficient implementation in a computer code. RadISH can process any colour singlet with arbitrary cuts at Born level. To be publicly released soon.
- ▶ Higgs- p_t phenomenology (EFT)
 - ▶ N³LL+NLO corrects NNLL+NLO by $\mathcal{O}(10\%)$ around and below the peak. Uncertainty nearly halved below 10 GeV.
 - ▶ N³LL+NNLO corrects NNLL+NNLO by few percent at the peak, and $\mathcal{O}(10\%)$ below. Moderate reduction in theo. uncertainty, now below $\sim 10\%$ in the whole spectrum.

Thank you for your attention

Backup: reproducing the $\Sigma(p_t) \sim p_t^2$ scaling at $p_t \rightarrow 0$

- Computation at NLL (for DY and $n_f = 4$) gives **exactly** the original Parisi-Petronzio result [Parisi, Petronzio, 1979]:

$$\frac{d^2\Sigma(p_t)}{dp_t d\Phi_B} = 4 \frac{d\sigma_B}{d\Phi_B} p_t \int_{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}}^M \frac{dk_{t1}}{k_{t1}^3} e^{-R(k_{t1})} \simeq 2 \frac{d\sigma_B}{d\Phi_B} p_t \left(\frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}{M^2} \right)^{\frac{16}{25} \ln \frac{41}{16}}.$$

- As now higher logarithmic terms (up to N³LL) are under control, one can **systematically improve the perturbative prediction of the coefficient in front of p_t** (non-perturbative effects – of the same order – not considered in this analysis).
- Each new subleading-logarithmic order induces a relative $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S)$ correction with respect to the previous order: scaling $L \sim 1/\alpha_S$.

Backup: NLL result and the finiteness in four dimensions

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{d\Sigma(p_t)}{d\Phi_B} &= \int_0^M \frac{dk_{t1}}{k_{t1}} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\phi_1}{2\pi} \partial_L \left(-e^{-R'(k_{t1})} \mathcal{L}_{\text{NLL}}(k_{t1}) \right) \times \\
 &\quad \times \underbrace{\epsilon^{R'(k_{t1})} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \left(\prod_{i=2}^{n+1} \int_{\epsilon k_{t1}}^{k_{t1}} \frac{dk_{ti}}{k_{ti}} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\phi_i}{2\pi} R'(k_{t1}) \right) \Theta(p_t - |\vec{k}_{t1} + \dots + \vec{k}_{t(n+1)}|)}_{\equiv \int d\mathcal{Z}[\{R', k_i\}] \Theta(p_t - |\vec{k}_{t1} + \dots + \vec{k}_{t(n+1)}|)} .
 \end{aligned}$$

- $L = \ln(M/k_{t1})$; luminosity $\mathcal{L}_{\text{NLL}}(k_{t1}) = \sum_{c_1, c_2} \frac{d|M_B|_{c_1 c_2}^2}{d\Phi_B} f_{c_1}(x_1, k_{t1}) f_{c_2}(x_2, k_{t1})$.
- $\int d\mathcal{Z}[\{R', k_i\}] \Theta$ finite as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \epsilon^{R'(k_{t1})} &= 1 - R'(k_{t1}) \ln(1/\epsilon) + \dots = 1 - \int_{\epsilon k_{t1}}^{k_{t1}} R'(k_{t1}) + \dots, \\
 \int d\mathcal{Z}[\{R', k_i\}] \Theta &= \left[1 - \int_{\epsilon k_{t1}}^{k_{t1}} R'(k_{t1}) + \dots \right] \left[\Theta(p_t - |\vec{k}_{t1}|) + \int_{\epsilon k_{t1}}^{k_{t1}} R'(k_{t1}) \Theta(p_t - |\vec{k}_{t1} + \vec{k}_{t2}|) + \dots \right] \\
 &= \underbrace{\Theta(p_t - |\vec{k}_{t1}|)}_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} + \underbrace{\int_0^{k_{t1}} R'(k_{t1}) \left[\Theta(p_t - |\vec{k}_{t1} + \vec{k}_{t2}|) - \Theta(p_t - |\vec{k}_{t1}|) \right]}_{\text{finite: real-virtual cancellation}} + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

- Evaluated with Monte Carlo techniques: $\int d\mathcal{Z}[\{R', k_i\}]$ is generated as a parton shower over secondary emissions.

Backup: generating secondary radiation as a parton shower

- Secondary radiation:

$$\begin{aligned} d\mathcal{Z}[\{R', k_i\}] &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \left(\prod_{i=2}^{n+1} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\phi_i}{2\pi} \int_{\epsilon k_{t1}}^{k_{t1}} \frac{dk_{ti}}{k_{ti}} R'(k_{t1}) \right) \epsilon^{R'(k_{t1})} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\prod_{i=2}^{n+1} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\phi_i}{2\pi} \int_{\epsilon k_{t1}}^{k_{t(i-1)}} \frac{dk_{ti}}{k_{ti}} R'(k_{t1}) \right) \epsilon^{R'(k_{t1})}, \\ \epsilon^{R'(k_{t1})} &= e^{-R'(k_{t1}) \ln 1/\epsilon} = \prod_{i=2}^{n+2} e^{-R'(k_{t1}) \ln k_{t(i-1)}/k_{ti}}, \end{aligned}$$

with $k_{t(n+2)} = \epsilon k_{t1}$.

- Each secondary emissions has differential probability

$$dw_i = \frac{d\phi_i}{2\pi} \frac{dk_{ti}}{k_{ti}} R'(k_{t1}) e^{-R'(k_{t1}) \ln k_{t(i-1)}/k_{ti}} = \frac{d\phi_i}{2\pi} d \left(e^{-R'(k_{t1}) \ln k_{t(i-1)}/k_{ti}} \right).$$

- $k_{t(i-1)} \geq k_{ti}$. Scale k_{ti} extracted by solving $e^{-R'(k_{t1}) \ln k_{t(i-1)}/k_{ti}} = r$, with r random number extracted uniformly in $[0, 1]$. Shower ordered in k_{ti} .
- Extract ϕ_i randomly in $[0, 2\pi]$.

Backup: checks

- ▶ b -space resummation reproduced analytically.
- ▶ Correct small- p_t scaling reproduced analytically.
- ▶ Numerical checks down to very low p_t against b -space codes at the resummed level (HqT [Bozzi et al., 0302104, 0508068], [de Florian et al., 1109.2109], CuTe [Becher et al., 1109.6027, 1212.2621]).
- ▶ Expansion of the momentum-space formula up to $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^3)$ checked against b space.
- ▶ Expansion checked against MCFM [Campbell, Ellis, 9905386], [Campbell et al., 1105.0020, 1503.06182] up to $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^2)$.