

# Electroweak Corrections in Higgs Physics

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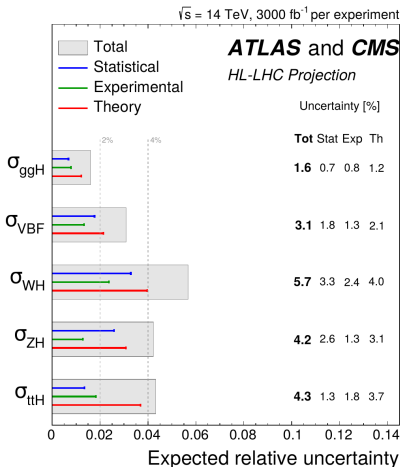
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# Motivation

State of the Art Overview: Physics of the HL-LHC Working Group et al.:

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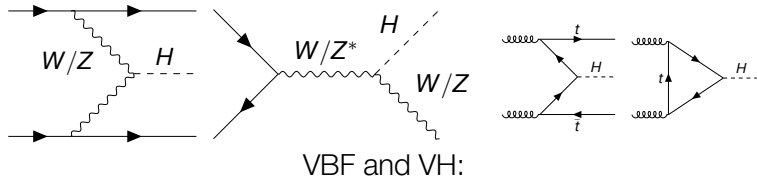


- ▶ High Luminosity phase of the LHC will reduce experimental uncertainties
- ▶ Predictions dominated by theoretical uncertainties
- ▶ Higher order and sub-dominant effects have to be computed

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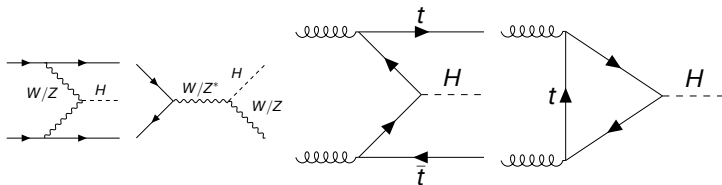


- ▶ Information about  $SU(2)_L$
- ▶ Weak contributions:
  - Triple gauge interactions accessible
  - Radiated bosons: Large corrections in the high-energy tail (Sudakov logarithms)

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$Ht\bar{t}$  and ggF:

- ▶ Information about  $y_t$
- ▶  $Ht\bar{t}$ : theoretical challenging
  - Major uncertainty: NNLO-QCD
- ▶ ggF: QCD extremely well understood
  - EW-correction become relevant

# Infinite Top Mass

The process that we are looking at is EW corrections to the Higgs production via gluon fusion, computed in the infinite top mass limit.

Effective theory:



- ▶ Remove one loop!
- ▶ Work with 5 massless flavors
- ▶ Good approximation:  $\delta_t^{NNLO} \sim 0.7\%$

# Reminder: $\sigma_{gg \rightarrow H}$ in EFT

## Pure QCD EFT:

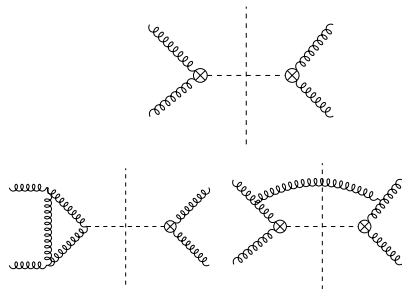
(C. Anastasiou et al.: 1602.00695, B. Mistlberger: 1802.00833, F. Dulat et al.: 1802.00827)

▶ LO  $\propto \alpha_s^2 \alpha$  :  $\sigma_{\text{rEFT}}^{\text{LO}} = 16.00 \text{ pb} \propto$

▶ NLO  $\propto \alpha_s^3 \alpha$  :  $\sigma_{\text{rEFT}}^{\text{NLO}} = 20.84 \text{ pb} \propto$

▶ NNLO  $\propto \alpha_s^4 \alpha$  :  $\sigma_{\text{rEFT}}^{\text{NNLO}} = 9.56 \text{ pb}$

▶ N<sup>3</sup>LO  $\propto \alpha_s^5 \alpha$  :  $\sigma_{\text{rEFT}}^{\text{N<sup>3</sup>LO}} = 1.49 \text{ pb}$

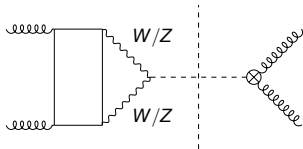


Slow Convergence

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## ▶ Elektroweak contributions:

- "LO:"  $\propto \alpha_s^2 \alpha^2$

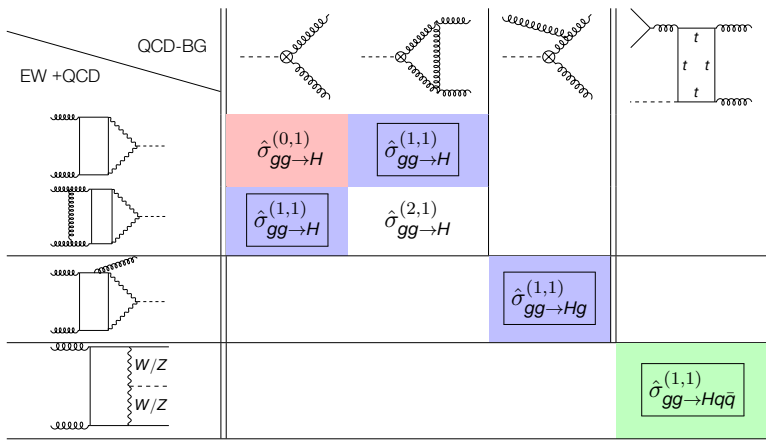


- Start at 2-loops
- Involve weak boson masses ( $\leftrightarrow$  massless QCD)  
(computed in: [U. Aglietti et al.: HEP-PH/0404071](#))
- $\sigma_{gg \rightarrow H}^{\alpha_s^2 \alpha^2} = 0.83 \text{ pb}$  (almost similar size as  $\sigma_{\text{rEFT}}^{\text{N3LO}}$ )

## ▶ Do we need higher orders? If pattern of QCD continues, yes!

- Naive expectation (factorization):  $\sigma_{gg \rightarrow H}^{\alpha_s^2 \alpha^2} \sim \sigma_{gg \rightarrow H}^{\alpha_s^3 \alpha^2}$

# "Mixed Corrections" in ggF: $\sigma_{pp \rightarrow H+X}^{(m,n)} \propto \alpha_s^{m+2} \alpha^{n+1}$





# Factorization Hypothesis

**Fact:** Exact computation often too hard.

Factorization Hypothesis:

**NLO mixed QCD-EW  $\sim$  NLO QCD  $\times$  LO EW**

Assumptions:

- ▶ Most of the QCD and EW corrections are dominated by:
  - (universal) soft effects (factorize LO)

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**Used in  $\sigma_{gg \rightarrow H}$ : “Infinite Boson Mass Approximation”**

(C. Anastasiou et al.: 0811.3458)

- ▶ Consider unphysical limit:  $m_{W/Z} \gg m_H$


$$\text{Estimate: } \hat{\sigma}_{\text{EXACT}}^{(1,1)} \approx \frac{\hat{\sigma}_{m_{W/Z} \gg m_H}^{(1,1)}}{\hat{\sigma}_{m_{W/Z} \gg m_H}^{(1,0)}} \hat{\sigma}_{\text{EXACT}}^{(0,1)}$$

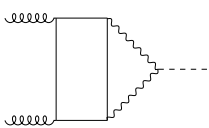
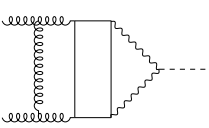
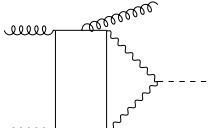
$$\text{Result: } \sigma_{\text{EXACT}}^{(1,1)} \approx 1.77 \text{ pb}$$

- ▶ Cross-section increase of  $\sigma_{\text{QCD}}^{\text{NLO}} = 33.24 \text{ pb}$  by 5.32% ( $\pm 1\%$ )

# Mixed Corrections Today: Exact?

They involve:

- ▶ Massive 2-loop to order  $\varepsilon^2$
- ▶ Massive 3-loop (one scale)
- ▶ Massive 2-loop (three scales)

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Status	✓ (2017) <a href="#">M. Bonetti et al.: 1610.05497</a>	✓ (2017) <a href="#">M. Bonetti et al.: 1711.11113</a>	✗ (2018, planar ones) <a href="#">M. Becchetti et al.: 1810.05138</a>

# Mixed Corrections Updates:

## Soft Gluon Approximation

(M. Bonetti et al.: 1801.10403)

- ▶ Take physical masses and exact virtuals
- ▶ Captures hard virtual contributions exactly
- ▶ Real radiation treated in soft limit:  $\propto \alpha_s \eta_{gg}^{fact} d\hat{\sigma}_{EXACT}^{(0,1)}$
- ▶  $\eta_{gg}^{fact}$ : Universal Eikonal factor

$$\begin{array}{l} \mathbf{Result:} \quad \sigma_{\text{soft-gluon}}^{(1,1)} \approx 1.6 - 2 \text{ pb} \\ \text{Remember:} \quad \sigma_{m_{W/Z} \gg m_H}^{(1,1)} = 1.77 \text{ pb} \end{array}$$

- ▶ Agreement of very different approximations

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(C. Anastasiou et al.: 1811.11211)

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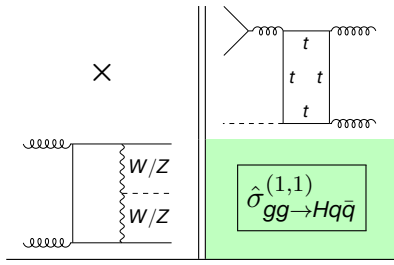
**Results:**

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- ▶ Agreement of **all** available approximations
- ▶ Factorizable contribution seem dominant

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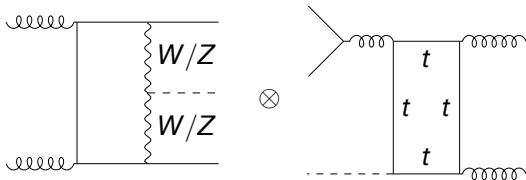


$gg \rightarrow Hq\bar{q}$ : ([V. Hirschi et al.: 1902.10167](https://arxiv.org/abs/1902.10167), similar computation in [R. V. Harlander et al.: 0801.3355](https://arxiv.org/abs/1801.03355))

- ▶ Gluon induced and  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3 \alpha)$  (as before)
- ▶ Inherently non-factorizable
- ▶ For  $m_{W/Z} \gg m_H$ : Mass suppressed
- ▶ For  $m_{W/Z}$  physical: Maybe kinematic suppression?

# Mixed Corrections: Non-Factorizable Contributions

$$\mathcal{M}_{gg \rightarrow Hq\bar{q}} \propto 2 \operatorname{Re} \Sigma$$



## $gg \rightarrow Hq\bar{q}$ : Details of Computation

- ▶ Interference of sub-processes needs flexibility
- ▶ Matrix elements  $\mathcal{M}$ : Fully Analytic and **MadLoop**  
(V. Hirschi et al.: 1103.0621)
- ▶ NLO-subtraction: “MadN<sup>k</sup>LO” (private implementation of colourful)  
(G. Somogyi: 0903.1218)



# Mixed Corrections: Irrelevant Contributions

cross section  
interferences

[fb]

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$\sigma_{gg \rightarrow Hq\bar{q}}^{(\alpha_s^3 \alpha^2)}$	$11.93 \pm 0.04$
$\sigma_{gg \rightarrow Hb\bar{b}}^{(\alpha_s^3 \alpha^2)}$	$-5.94 \pm 0.03$
$\sigma_{qg \rightarrow Hq}^{(\alpha_s^2 \alpha^2)} + \sigma_{\bar{q}g \rightarrow H\bar{q}}^{(\alpha_s^2 \alpha^2)}$	$-163.9 \pm 0.1$
$\sigma_{bg \rightarrow Hb}^{(\alpha_s^2 \alpha^2)} + \sigma_{\bar{b}g \rightarrow H\bar{b}}^{(\alpha_s^2 \alpha^2)}$	$20.95 \pm 0.04$

- ▶ All cross-sections  $\mathcal{O}(\text{fb})$
- ▶ No enhancement for  $p_T^H > 400 \text{ GeV}$
- ▶ Irrelevant for Higgs production in ggF

Factorization Still Holds!

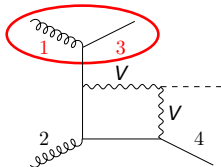
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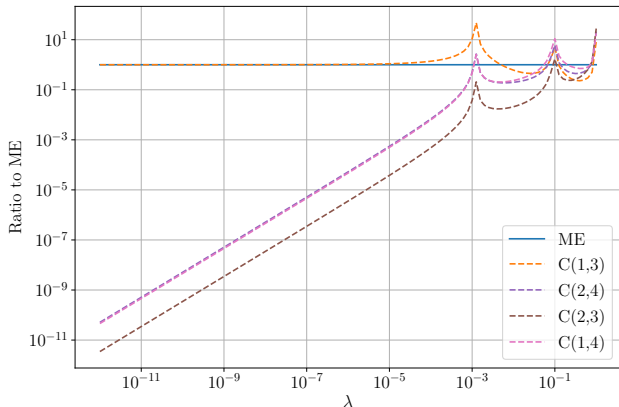
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Thank you!

Subtraction in  $gg \rightarrow Hq\bar{q}$ 

- ▶  $\mathcal{M} \propto 1/\lambda$
- ▶  $\lambda = 10^{-12}$  :  
 $p_T : \mathcal{O}(\text{MeV})$



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