
Theory Progress in Top-Antitop Threshold Physics at the ILC

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Outline

- Top-antitop threshold: QCD effects
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- Top-antitop threshold: EW effects
- Associated Higgs production: $e^+ e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t} H$
- Summary/Outlook

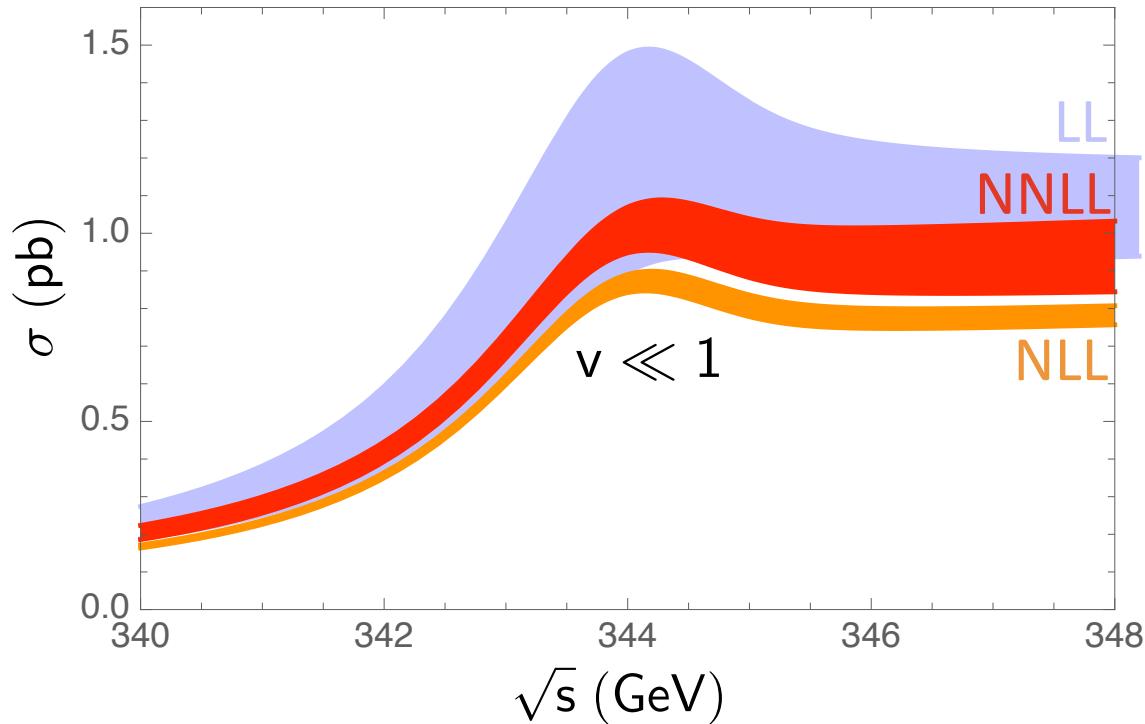
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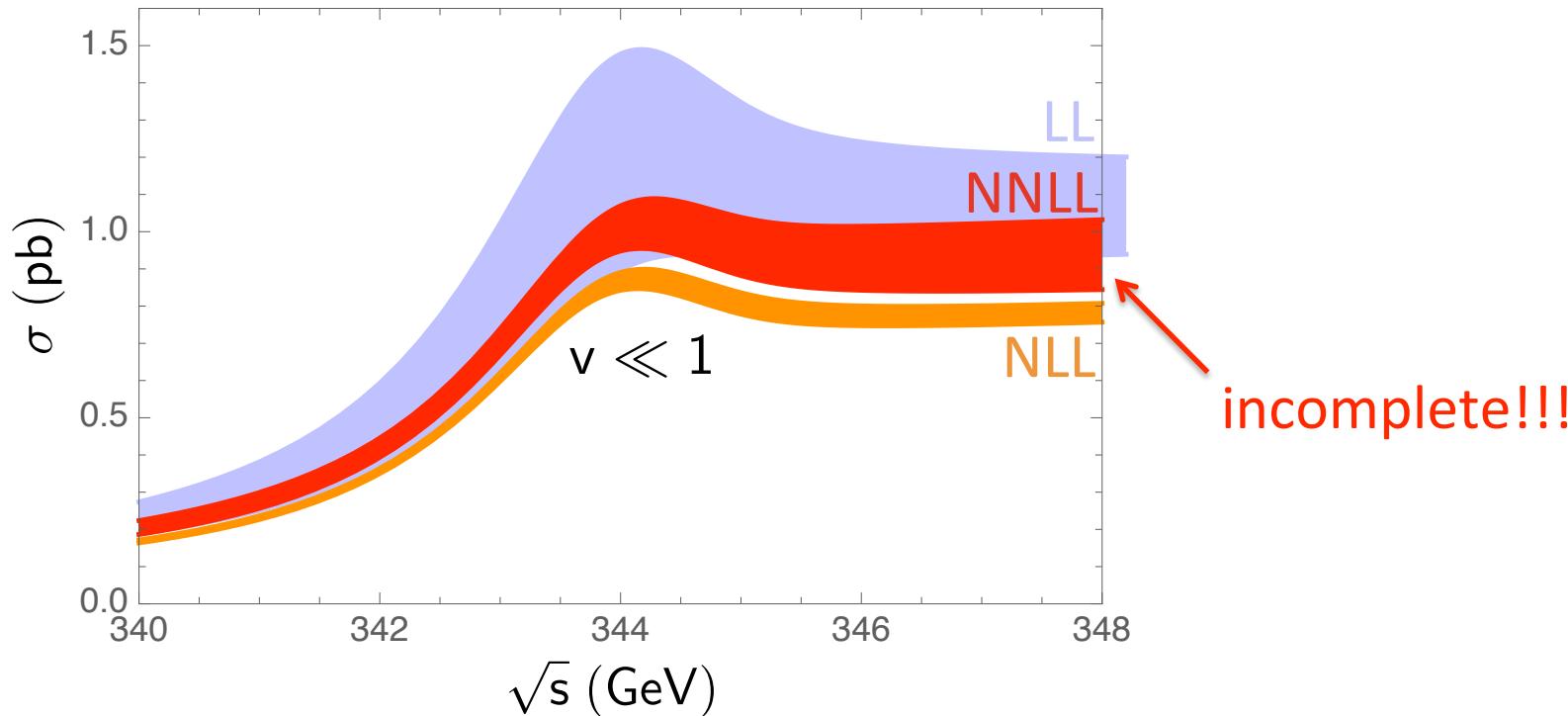


$$\Gamma_t \approx 1.5 \text{ GeV} \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$$

- Nonpert. effects suppressed
[Fadin, Khoze, '87]
- No sharp resonance peaks

Top-antitop threshold: QCD effects

$t\bar{t}$ resonance @ Linear Colider:



Theory status: $\delta m_t \sim 100$ MeV ✓

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$\delta\sigma_{\text{tot}}/\sigma_{\text{tot}} \sim 6\%$

< 3% needed for precise Γ_t , y_t , α_s

Top-antitop threshold: QCD effects

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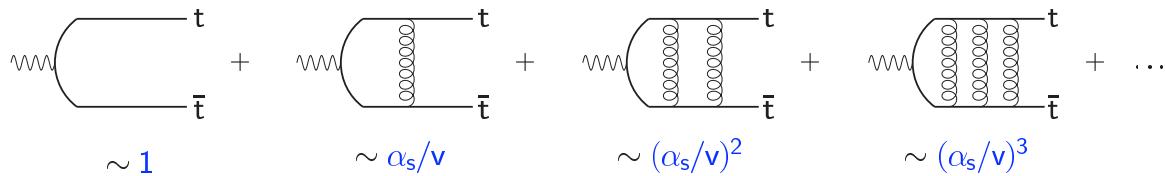
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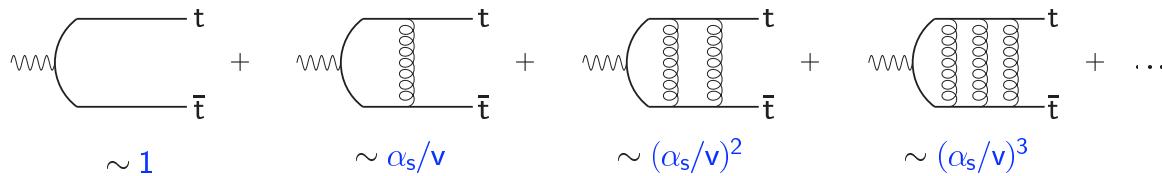
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modified RG:

ν “subtraction velocity”
[Luke, Manohar, Rothstein ‘00]

→ RGE's resum logs: $[\alpha_s \ln v]^n$, $\alpha_s [\alpha_s \ln v]^n$, $\alpha_s^2 [\alpha_s \ln v]^n \dots$

LL

NLL

NNLL

Top-antitop threshold: QCD effects

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}} \sim \text{Im} \left[\begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 1: } \text{C}_1 \text{ loop} + \text{Diagram 2: } \text{C}_1 \text{ loop with } V \\ \text{Diagram 3: } \text{C}_1 \text{ loop with } V + \text{Diagram 4: } \text{C}_1 \text{ loop with } V \\ \text{Diagram 5: } \text{C}_1 \text{ loop with } V + \text{Diagram 6: } \text{C}_1 \text{ loop with } V \\ \vdots \end{array} \right]$$

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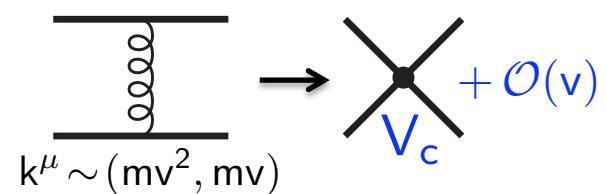
soft gluon: $k^\mu \sim mv$

ultrasoft gluon: $k^\mu \sim mv^2$

effective current:



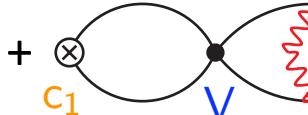
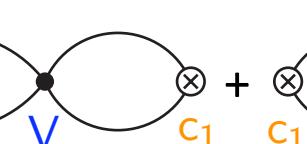
potential:



→ power counting in $v \sim \alpha_s$

Top-antitop threshold: QCD effects

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}} \sim \text{Im} \left[\begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 1: } \text{Two loops with } c_1 \text{ and } V \\ \text{Diagram 2: } \text{Three loops with } c_1 \text{ and } V \\ \text{Diagram 3: } \text{Four loops with } c_1 \text{ and } V \\ + \dots \end{array} \right]$$

+  +  + ...

$$\sim \text{Im} \left[c_1(\nu)^2 \cdot G(0, 0, E, \nu) \right]$$



$$\left[- \frac{\nabla_{\vec{r}}^2}{m} + V_c(r) - E \right] G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}', E) = \delta^{(3)}(\vec{r} - \vec{r}') \quad (\text{LL})$$

G^{NNLL} known ✓ [Hoang, Manohar, Stewart, Teubner, '02]

[Pineda, Signer, '06]

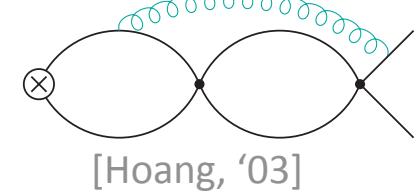
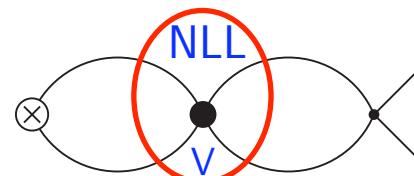
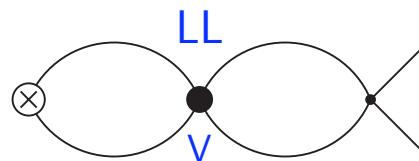
G^{NNNLO} known ✓ [Beneke, Kiyo, Schuller, '07]

Top-antitop threshold: QCD effects

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}} \sim \text{Im} \left[c_1(\nu)^2 \cdot G(0, 0, E, \nu) \right]$$

current
renormalization

$$\ln \left[\frac{c_1(\nu)}{c_1(1)} \right] = \underbrace{\xi^{\text{LL}}}_{0} + \xi^{\text{NLL}} + \xi_{\text{mix}}^{\text{NNLL}} + \xi_{\text{nonmix}}^{\text{NNLL}}$$



[Luke, Manohar, Rothstein, '00]

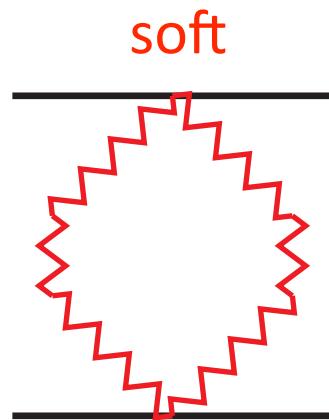
[Pineda, '02]

[Hoang, Stewart, '03]

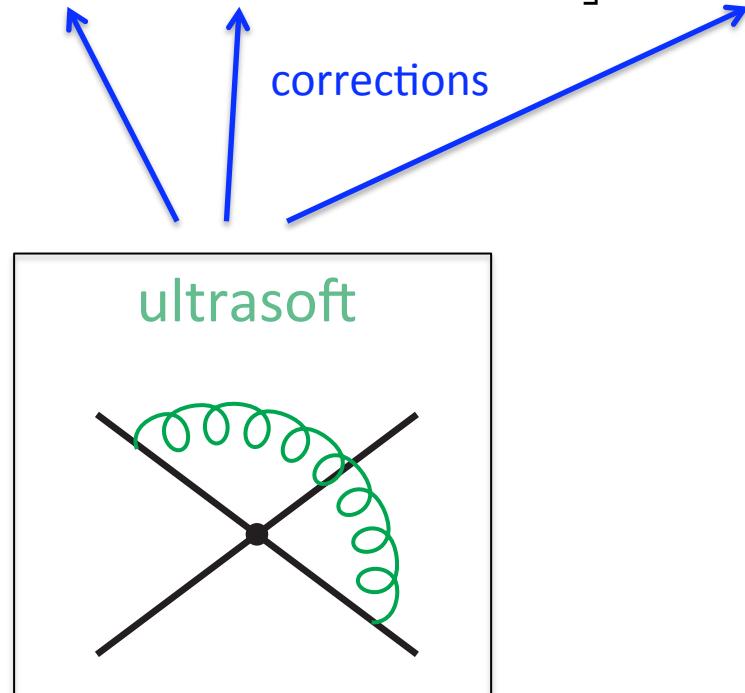
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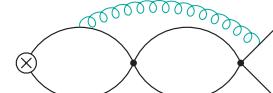
$$\text{NLL: } \nu \frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} \ln[\textcolor{orange}{c_1}(\nu)] = -\frac{\mathcal{V}_c(\nu)}{16\pi^2} \left[\frac{\mathcal{V}_c(\nu)}{4} + \mathcal{V}_2(\nu) + \mathcal{V}_r(\nu) + S^2 \mathcal{V}_s(\nu) \right] + \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{V}_k(\nu)$$



- known soft contributions small



- dominant: $\alpha_s(mv^2) > \alpha_s(mv)$
- large contribution to $\xi_{\text{nonmix}}^{\text{NNLL}}$

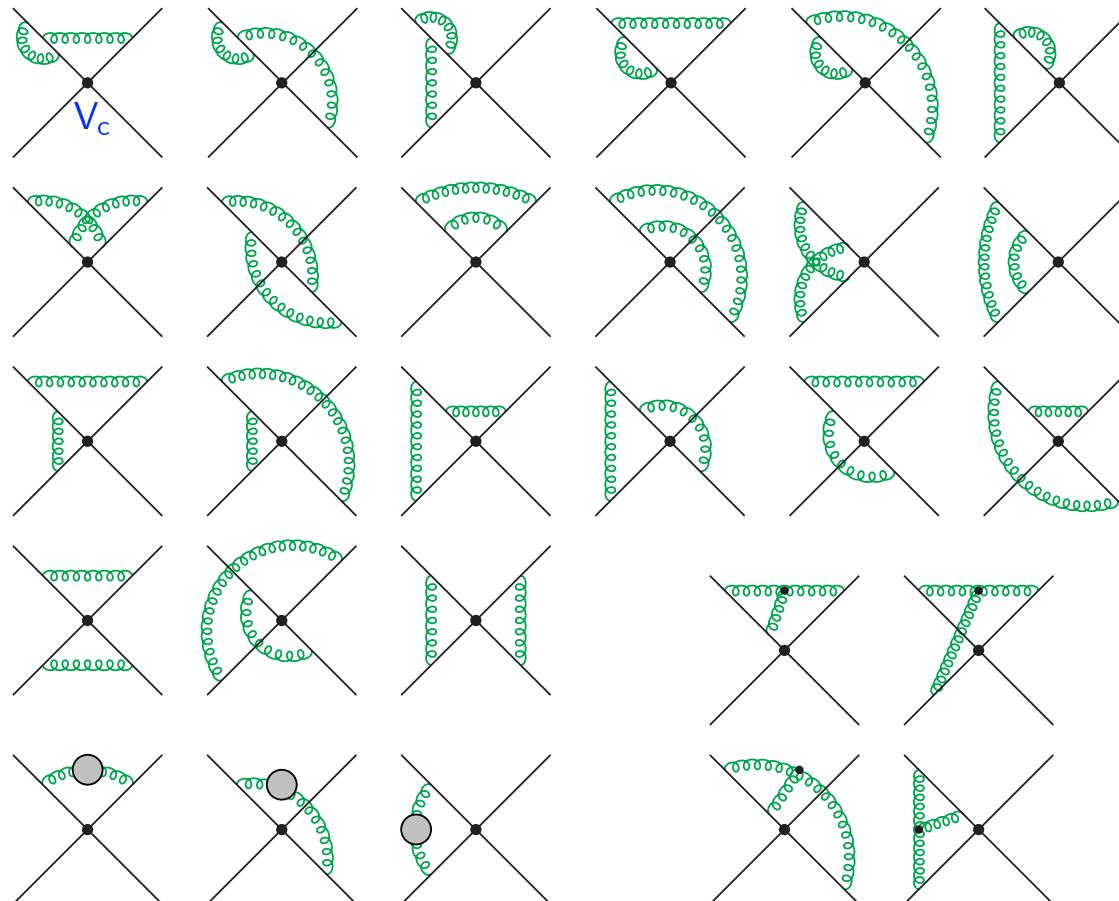


[Hoang, '03]

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↑ renormalize



- Feynman gauge
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- $O(10^3)$ diagrams

$$\delta \mathcal{V}_{r,2}^{\text{2 loop}} \xrightarrow{\text{RGE}} \mathcal{V}_{r,2}^{\text{NLL}}(\nu)$$

[Hoang, MS, '06]
[Pineda, '11]

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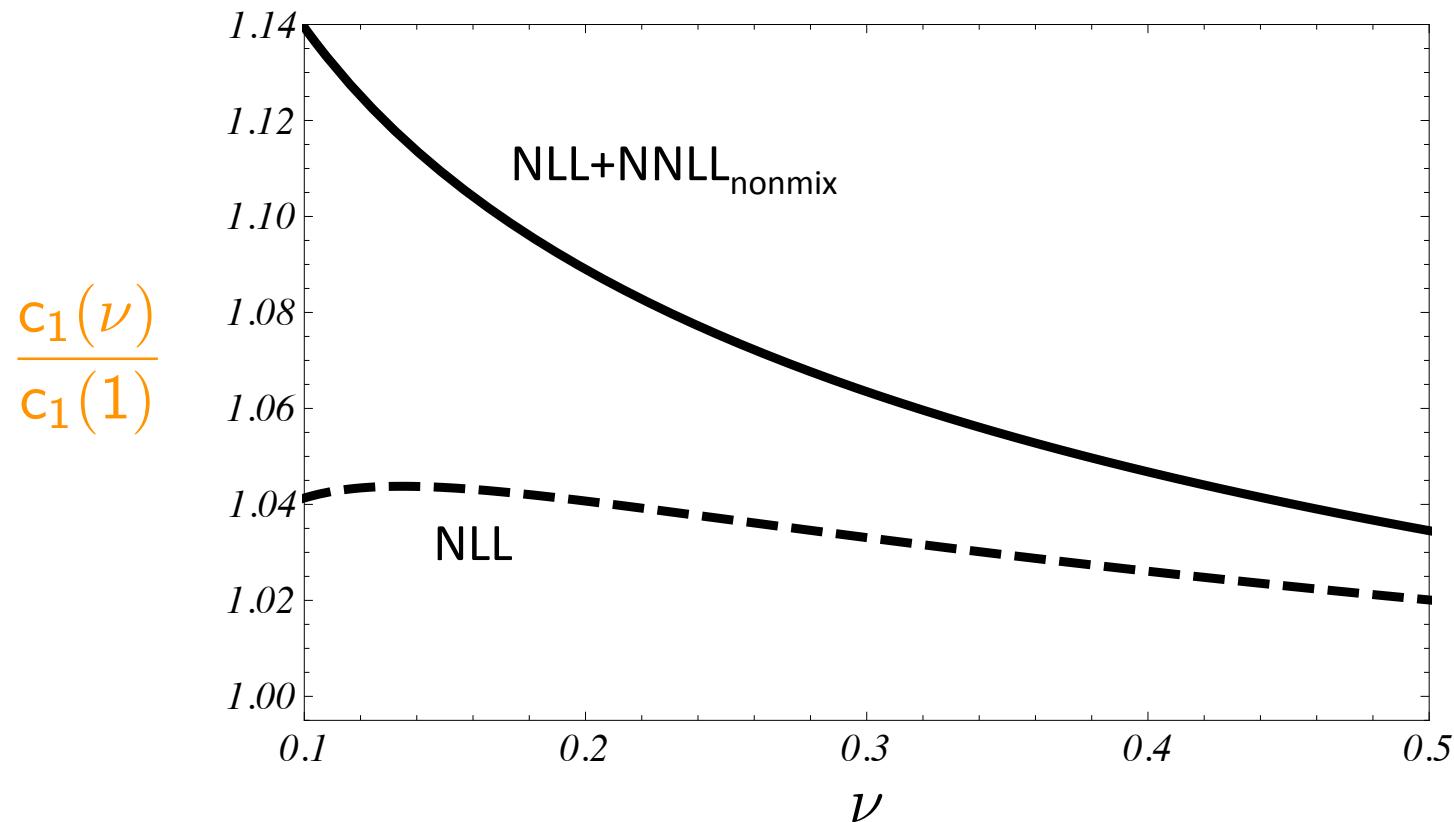
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- 3 loops:
2 x usoft
1 x potential (finite)
- Feynman gauge
- $\overline{\text{MS}}$, dim. reg.
- $O(10^4)$ diagrams
- Generation:
own **Mathematica** code
- Integrals:
IBP & partial frac.

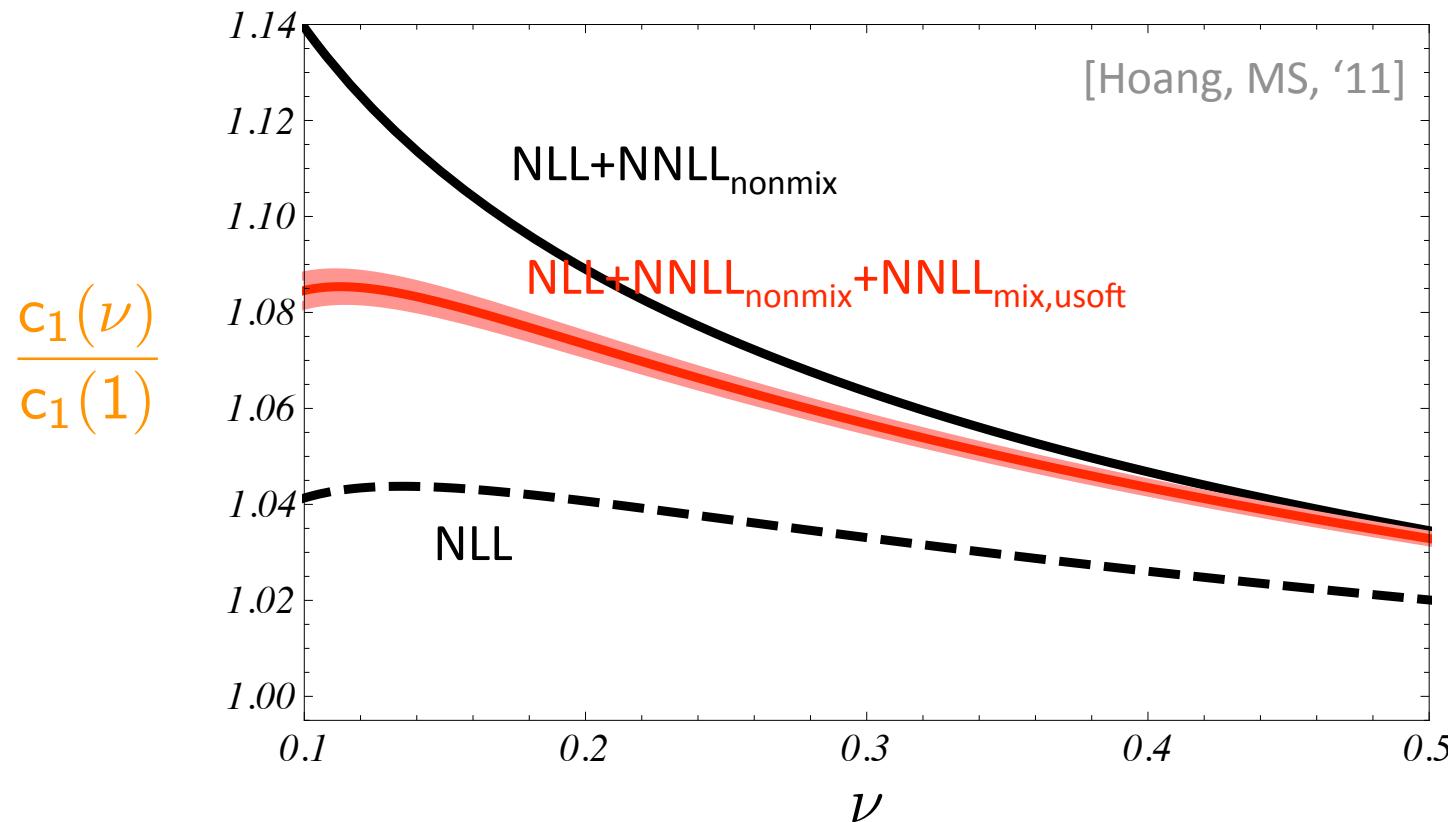
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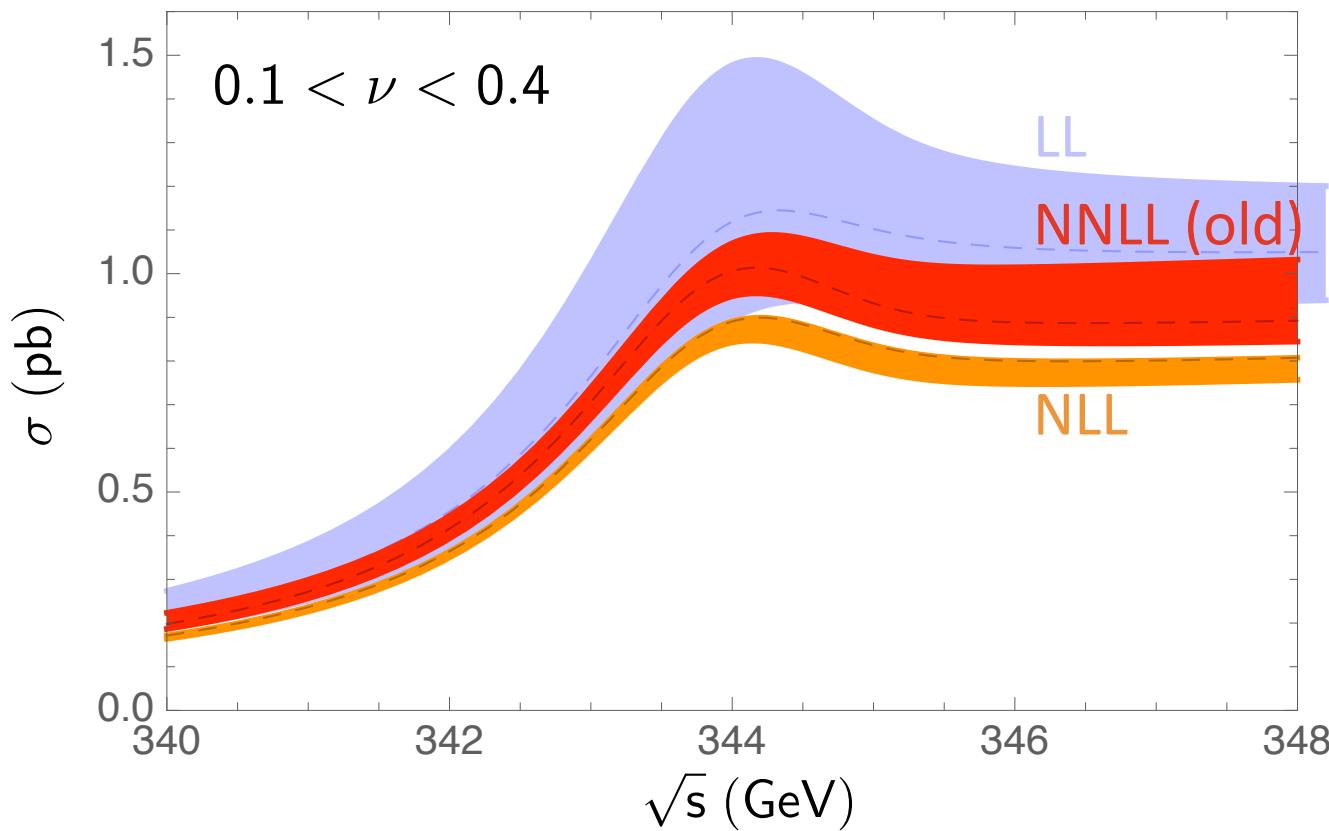


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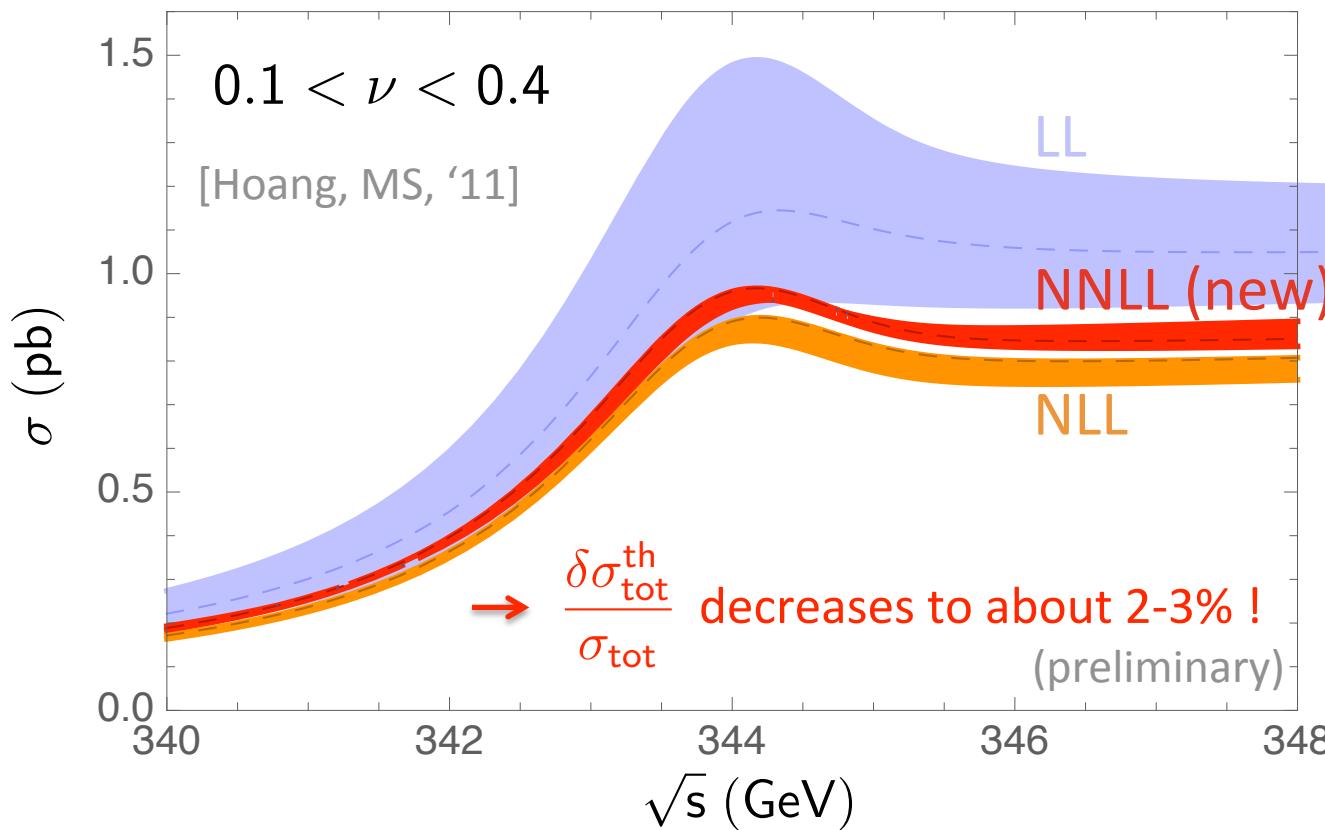


- large usoft NNLL contributions compensate each other!
- good convergence: $[c_1(\nu=0.15)]^2 = 1 - 0.096|_{\text{NLL}} - 0.029|_{\text{NNLL}}$
- known soft (nonmixing) contributions at NNLL are tiny!

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- LO EW effects included by $G^{\text{LL}}(0, 0, E, \nu) \rightarrow G^{\text{LL}}(0, 0, E + i\Gamma, \nu)$ [Fadin, Khoze, '87]
- Combination with NNLL EW effects and detailed error analysis → W.I.P

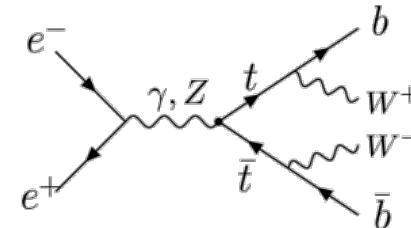
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- Power counting: $\Gamma_t/m_t \sim \alpha_{EW} \sim \alpha_s^2 \sim v^2 \ll 1$

- Physical final state: $e^+e^- \rightarrow W^+W^- b\bar{b}$

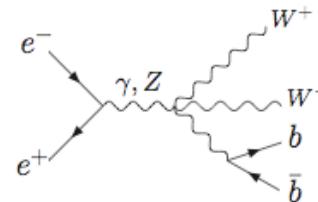


- Apply loose invariant mass cuts on reconstructed tops/antitops:

$$p_{t,\bar{t}}^2 = (m_t \pm \Delta M_t)^2 = m_t^2 + \Lambda^2$$

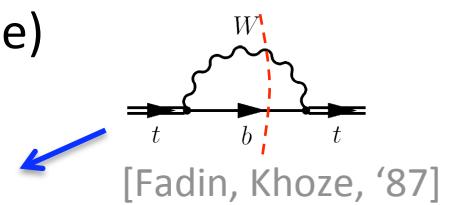
$$m_t \Gamma_t \ll \Lambda^2 \lesssim m_t^2$$

- no effect on resonant contributions!
 → non-resonant background suppressed:



LO: $E = \sqrt{s} - 2m_t \rightarrow E + i\Gamma_t$ (replacement rule)

unstable top propagator: $\frac{i}{E/2 + p^0 - \mathbf{p}^2/(2m) + i\Gamma_t/2}$

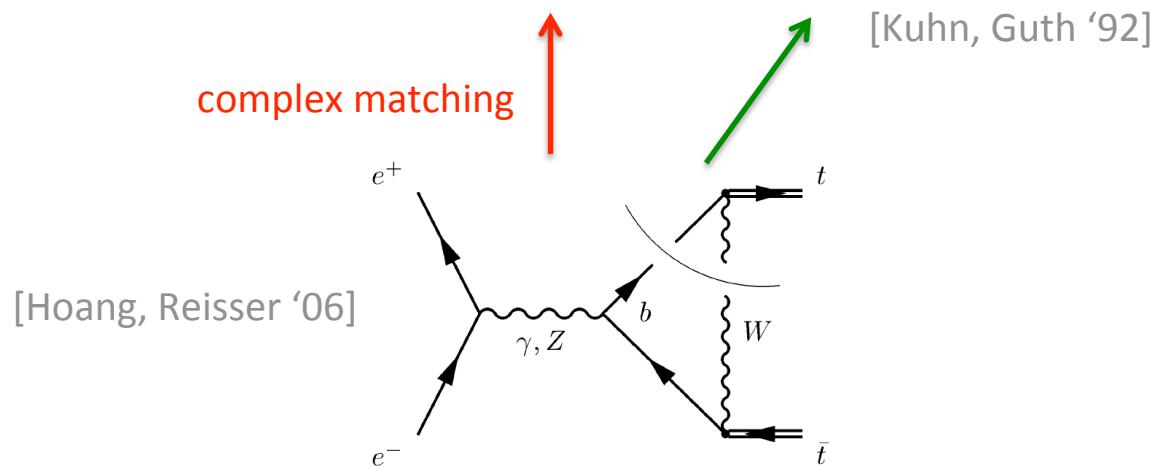


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- Corrections to current matching:

$$c_1(1) = c_{1,\text{LL}}^{\text{born}} + c_{1,\text{NLL}}^{\text{QCD}} + c_{1,\text{NNLL}}^{\text{QCD}} + i c_{1,\text{NNLL}}^{\text{bW,abs}} + c_{1,\text{NNLL}}^{\text{EW}} + \dots$$



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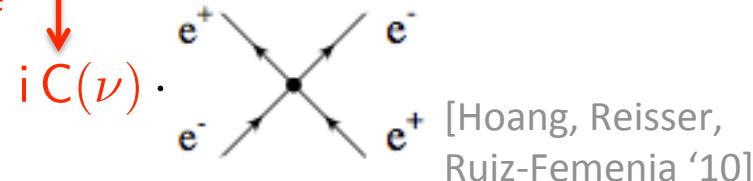
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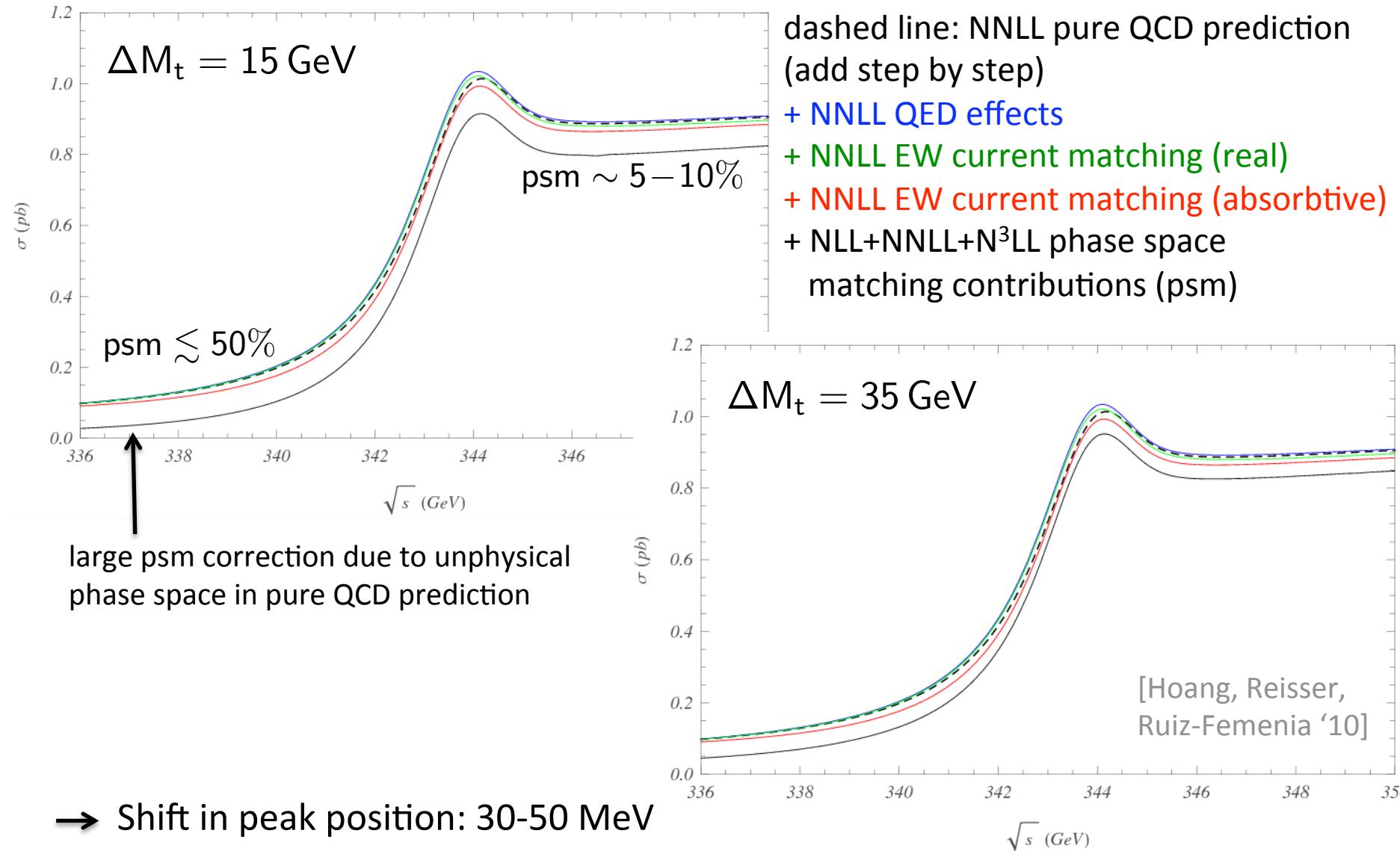
→ $\sigma_{\text{tot}} \sim \text{Im} [c_1(\nu)^2 G(0, 0, E + i\Gamma_t, \nu)] \sim \frac{\alpha_s \Gamma_t}{\epsilon} + \text{finite}$

phase space divergence
 \downarrow
 $i C(\nu)$



- “Phase space matching” for $C(\nu)$ to allow for Λ cuts: NLO, NNLO, $N^3\text{LO}$ ✓

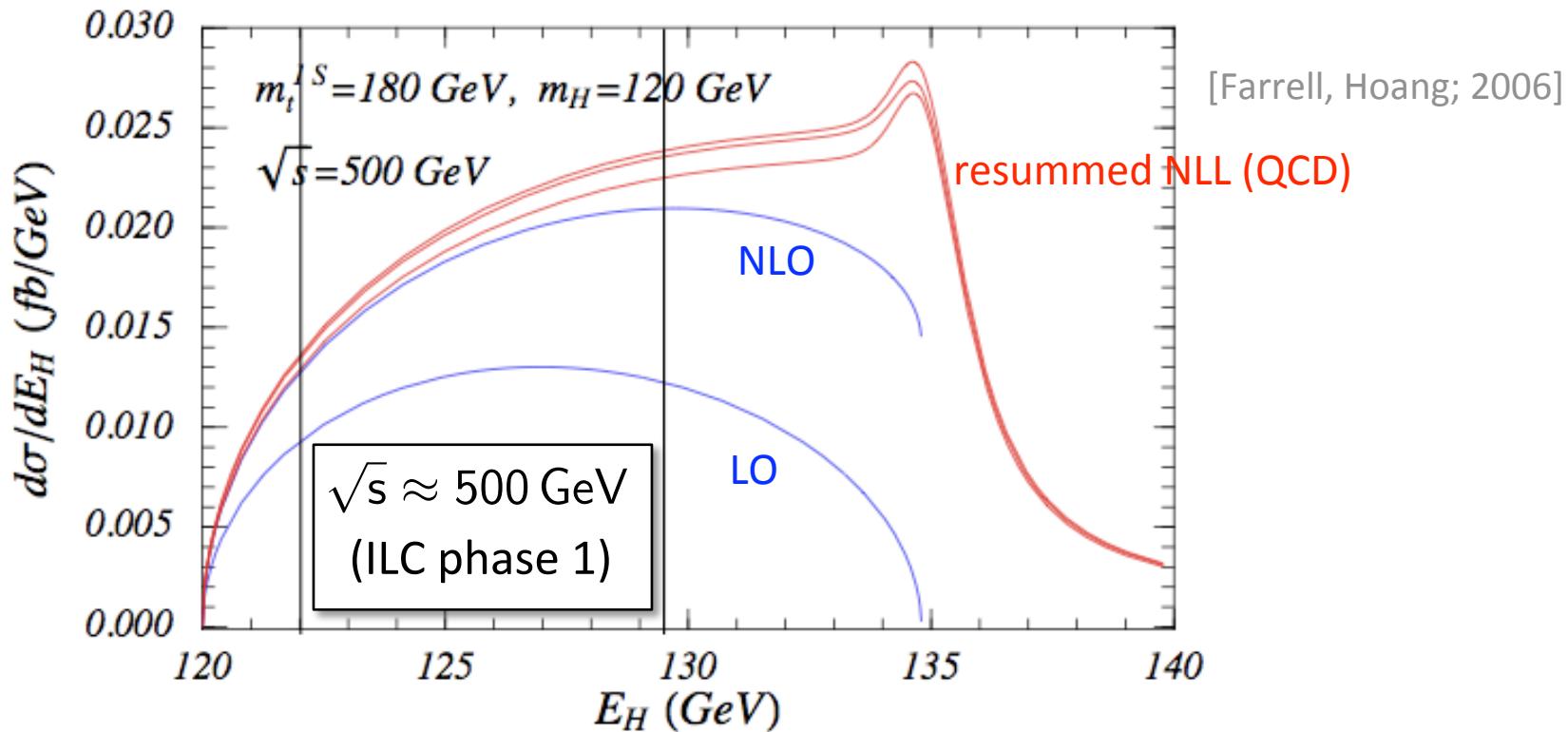
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- For light Higgs ($m_H \approx 120 \text{ GeV}$): **full $t\bar{t}$ phase space nonrelativistic!**
 - must sum $(\alpha_s/v)^n, (\alpha_s \ln v)^n$ terms → recycle $t\bar{t}$ results (vNRQCD)
 - **factor 2 enhancement** over tree level (+ factor 2 from polarized beams)
- realistic studies: $(\delta y_t/y_t)_{500\text{GeV}}^{\text{ILC}} \sim 30\% \rightarrow 10 - 15\%$? [Juste, '02,'06]

Summary/Outlook

- precise $m_t, y_t, \alpha_s, \Gamma_t$ from $t\bar{t}$ threshold physics
- $\sigma_{\text{tot}} \sim \text{Im} \left[c_1(\nu)^2 \cdot G(0, 0, E, \nu) \right] + \dots$
- $G(0, 0, E, \nu)$ known up to NNLL ✓
- New $c_1(\nu)$ at NNLL ✓
 - $\frac{\delta\sigma_{\text{tot}}^{\text{th}}}{\sigma_{\text{tot}}}$ decreases substantially! → RG improvement important!
- EW contributions up to NNLL ✓
- $e^+ e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t} H$ (ILC phase 1) at NLL (EW effects missing)
- Outlook:
 - Detailed error analysis for $\sigma_{\text{tot}}(e^+ e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t})$: EW+QCD
 - scalar (stop) pair production at threshold

W.I.P

Backup

Top-antitop threshold: QCD effects

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{\text{tot}} &\sim \text{Im} \left[\text{Diagram } 1 + \text{Diagram } 2 + \text{Diagram } 3 + \dots \right] \\ &\sim |c_1(\nu)|^2 \cdot \text{Im} \left[-i \int d^4x e^{i\vec{q} \cdot x} \langle 0 | T \vec{j}_1^{\text{eff}*}(x) \vec{j}_1^{\text{eff}}(0) | 0 \rangle \right] + \dots \\ &\sim |c_1(\nu)|^2 \cdot \text{Im} [G(0, 0, E, \nu)] + \dots\end{aligned}$$

↓

$$\text{LO SG: } \left[-\frac{\nabla_{\vec{r}}^2}{m} + V_c(r) - E \right] G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}', E) = \delta^{(3)}(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')$$

$$G^{\text{LL}}(0, 0, E, \nu) = \frac{m^2}{4\pi} \left\{ i\nu - C_F \alpha_s \left[\ln \left(\frac{-i\nu}{\nu} \right) - \frac{1}{2} + \ln 2 + \gamma_E + \Psi \left(1 - \frac{iC_F \alpha_s}{2\nu} \right) \right] \right\} + \frac{m^2 C_F \alpha_s}{16\pi\epsilon}$$

G^{NNLL} known ✓ [Hoang, Manohar, Stewart, Teubner; 2002]
 [Pineda, Signer; 2006]

G^{NNNLO} known ✓ [Beneke, Kiyo, Schuller; 2007]

Results

RGE's + matching at hard scale ($\nu = 1$) give:

LL	NLL
$[\mathcal{V}_2(\nu)]_{\text{usoft}}^{\text{NLL}} = 4\pi\alpha_s(m\nu) \left[-\frac{4\pi}{\beta_0} A_2 \ln \frac{\alpha_s(m\nu^2)}{\alpha_s(m\nu)} + \left(\frac{\beta_1}{\beta_0^2} A_2 - [\alpha_s(m\nu^2) - \alpha_s(m\nu)] \frac{8\pi}{\beta_0} B_2 \right) \right]$	$[\mathcal{V}_r(\nu)]_{\text{usoft}}^{\text{NLL}} = 8\pi\alpha_s(m\nu) \left[-\frac{4\pi}{\beta_0} A_r \ln \frac{\alpha_s(m\nu^2)}{\alpha_s(m\nu)} + \left(\frac{\beta_1}{\beta_0^2} A_r - [\alpha_s(m\nu^2) - \alpha_s(m\nu)] \frac{8\pi}{\beta_0} B_r \right) \right]$
$[\mathcal{V}_k(\nu)]_{\text{usoft}}^{\text{NLL}} = 2\alpha_s^2(m\nu) \left[-\frac{4\pi}{\beta_0} A_k \ln \frac{\alpha_s(m\nu^2)}{\alpha_s(m\nu)} + \left(\frac{\beta_1}{\beta_0^2} A_k - [\alpha_s(m\nu^2) - \alpha_s(m\nu)] \frac{8\pi}{\beta_0} B_k \right) \right]$	$A = \frac{1}{3\pi}$ $B = \frac{C_A(47 + 6\pi^2) - 10n_f T}{108\pi^2}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_2 \\ B_2 \end{bmatrix} = C_F(C_A - 2C_F) \begin{bmatrix} A \\ B \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_r \\ B_r \end{bmatrix} = -C_A C_F \begin{bmatrix} A \\ B \end{bmatrix}$$

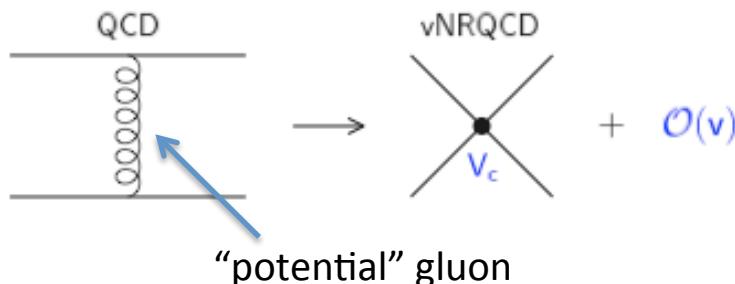
$$\begin{bmatrix} A_k \\ B_k \end{bmatrix} = -C_A C_F(C_A - 2C_F) \begin{bmatrix} A \\ B \end{bmatrix}$$

[Hoang, MS; 2011]

[Pineda; 2011]

vNRQCD

- Nonresonant dof's integrated out, e.g.:



- Resonant dof's \rightarrow fields in the vNRQCD Lagrangian:

nonrel. quark:	$(E, \mathbf{p}) \sim (mv^2, mv)$	$\psi_{\mathbf{p}}(x)$	—————
soft gluon:	$(q_0, \mathbf{q}) \sim (mv, mv)$	$A_q(x)$	
ultrasoft gluon:	$(q_0, \mathbf{q}) \sim (mv^2, mv^2)$	$A(x)$	

- Systematic expansion in $v \Rightarrow$ consistent power counting in $v \sim \alpha_s$

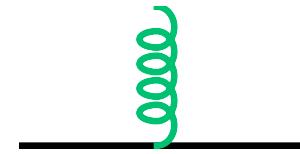
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[Luke, Manohar, Rothstein; 2000]

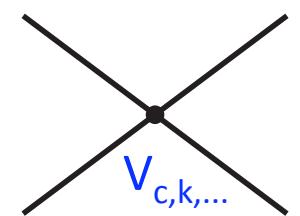
$$D^\mu = \partial^\mu + i g A^\mu(x)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{usoft}} : \psi_{\mathbf{p}(x)}^\dagger \left[i D^0 - \frac{(\mathbf{p} - i \mathbf{D})^2}{2m} + \dots \right] \psi_{\mathbf{p}(x)} + \dots$$

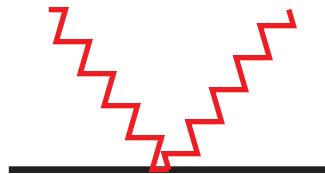


$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{pot}} : -V \psi_{\mathbf{p}'}^\dagger \psi_{\mathbf{p}} \chi_{-\mathbf{p}'}^\dagger \chi_{-\mathbf{p}} + \dots$$

$$V \sim \frac{\nu_c}{\mathbf{k}^2} + \frac{\nu_k \pi^2}{m \mathbf{k}} + \frac{\nu_r (\mathbf{p}^2 + \mathbf{p}'^2)}{2m^2 \mathbf{k}^2} + \frac{\nu_2}{m^2} + \frac{\nu_s}{m^2} \mathbf{S}^2 + \dots$$



$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{soft}} :$$



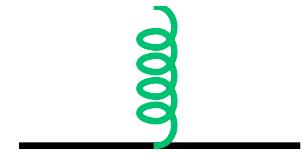
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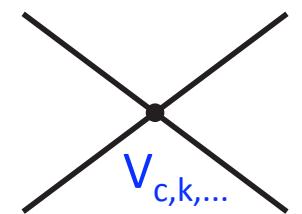
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$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{pot}} : -V \psi_{\mathbf{p}'}^\dagger \psi_{\mathbf{p}} \chi_{-\mathbf{p}'}^\dagger \chi_{-\mathbf{p}} + \dots$$

$$V \sim \frac{\nu_c}{\mathbf{k}^2} + \frac{\nu_k \pi^2}{m \mathbf{k}} + \frac{\nu_r (\mathbf{p}^2 + \mathbf{p}'^2)}{2m^2 \mathbf{k}^2} + \frac{\nu_2}{m^2} + \frac{\nu_s}{m^2} \mathbf{S}^2 + \dots$$

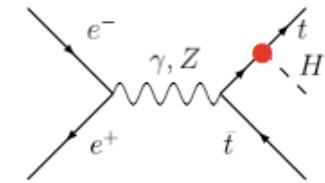


Production/annihilation current (3S_1):

$$\text{Diagram symbol} \sim c_1(\nu) \cdot \underbrace{\vec{j}_1^{\text{eff}}(x)}_{\psi_{\mathbf{p}}^\dagger \vec{\sigma}(i\sigma_2) \chi_{-\mathbf{p}}^*} + \dots \quad (\text{CMS})$$

Associated Higgs production: $e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}H$

- Dominant contributions from Higgs radiating off the top/antitop
- precise extraction of **top Yukawa coupling** possible
- At large E_H endpoint: $t\bar{t}$ dynamics nonrelativistic
- For $\sqrt{s} \lesssim 500$ GeV (ILC phase 1) and $m_H \approx 120$ GeV:
full $t\bar{t}$ phase space nonrelativistic !!! \rightarrow must sum $(\alpha_s/v)^n$, $(\alpha_s \ln v)^n$!

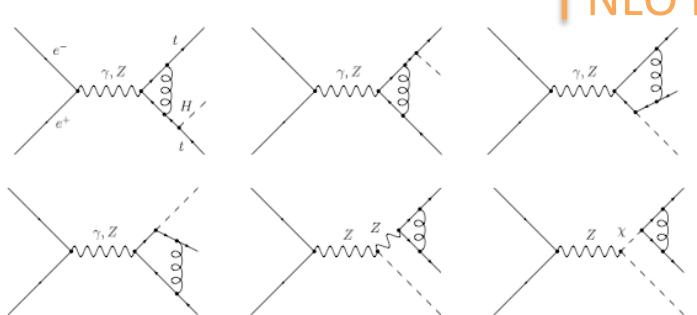


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Recycle $t\bar{t}$ results: $c_1(\nu)/c_1(1)$, $G(0, 0, v, \nu)$

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{dE_H} \right)_{E_H \approx E_H^{\max}} \sim [c_{1,0}^2(\nu, \sqrt{s}, m_t, m_H) + c_{1,1}^2(\nu, \sqrt{s}, m_t, m_H)] \times \text{Im}[G(0, 0, v, \nu)]$$

[Farrell, Hoang; 2005]



[Denner, Dittmaier, Roth, Weber; 2004]