# Mixed QCD-electroweak corrections and W-mass determination

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# Mixed **QCD-EW** corrections

[Bonciani, Buccioni, Mondini, Vicini ('17); De Florian, Der, Fabre ('18); Delto, Jaquier, Melnikov, R.R. ('19); Bonciani, Buccioni, Rana, Triscari, Vicini ('19); Buccioni *et al.* ('20); Cieri, De Florian, Der, Mazzitelli ('20); Bonciani, Buccioni, Rana, Vicini ('20); Behring *et al.* ('20); Buonocore, Grazzini, Kallweit, Savoini, Tramontano ('21); Bonciani *et al.* ('21); Armadillo *et al.* ('22); Buccioni *et al.* ('22)]

• For W-mass determination, offshell effects are secondary  $\to$  focus on onshell vector boson production  $pp\to V\to \ell\bar\ell$ 

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- Loop amplitudes:
  - Two-loop form factors

- Known for Z production. [Kotikov, Kühn, Veretin ('08)]
- Computed for first time for W production.
  - [Behring et al. ('20)]

- One-loop real-virtual amplitudes

 Standard one-loop programs, e.g. OpenLoops

[Cascioli, Maierhöfer, Pozzorini ('12); Buccioni, Pozzorini, Zoller ('18); Buccioni *et al.* ('19)]





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- Infrared singularities with different origins appear simultaneously:
  - Virtual photons;
  - Virtual partons;
  - Unresolved real photons;
  - Unresolved real partons.
- Insight from NNLO QCD: treatment of IR singularities with non-trivial structure.





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- How could these corrections impact the measurement of the W-mass?





- Aiming at 0.1 per mille precision, but theoretical precision limited to  $\sim 1\%$ .
- Sources of theoretical uncertainty:
  - higher order corrections
  - subleading logs
  - pdfs
  - non-perturbative effects
  - quark masses

- ...

• Use excellent experimental control of  $pp \rightarrow Z \rightarrow \ell \bar{\ell}$  to tune generators and verify results.



[Duhr, Dulat, Mistlberger '20]





- Implicit assumption: higher-order corrections to W and Z production strongly correlated.
- Reasonable for QCD corrections:
  - > Minor differences: pdfs, masses, helicity structures, ...
- EW corrections: qualitatively different W charged, can radiate:



- Mixed QCD-EW corrections potentially decorrelated.
- Possible impact on W-mass measurements at desired precision.





- <u>Estimate</u> effect of QCD-EW corrections on W mass measurement, due to decorrelations between Z and W production.
- Correlation between average transverse momentum of leptons and mass of boson:

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

 Theoretical correction: assume input masses, compute W-mass, and compare with input W-mass.

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

 $\rightarrow$  estimate impact of decorrelations in W and Z spectra from higher order corrections:

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

[Behring et al. ('21)].



Shifts in W-mass, inclusive:



- NLO EW:  $\Delta m_W = 1 \text{ MeV}$ 
  - QCD-EW:  $\Delta m_W = -7 \; {
    m MeV}$
- → Impact of QCD-EW corrections larger than NLO EW:
  - > NLO EW corrections suppressed in  $G_{\mu}$  scheme.
  - > NLO EW corrections more correlated between W and Z production.

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NLO EW:  $\Delta m_W = -31 \text{ MeV} + 32 \text{ MeV}$ 
QCD-EW:  $\Delta m_W = +54 \text{ MeV} - 61 \text{ MeV}$ 

 $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$   $G_{\mu} \text{ scheme}$   $m_{Z} = 91.1876 \text{ GeV}$   $m_{W} = 80.398 \text{ GeV}$   $m_{t} = 173.2 \text{ GeV}$   $m_{H} = 125 \text{ GeV}$   $G_{F} = 1.16339 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-2}$   $\text{NNPDF31\_luxQED}$   $\mu_{R} = \mu_{F} = m_{V}/2$ 





Shifts in W-mass: fiducial setup

- Inclusive setup:  $\Delta m_W = -7 \,\,\mathrm{MeV}$
- "ATLAS" cuts:  $\Delta m_W = -17 \,\,\mathrm{MeV}$
- "Tuned" cuts:  $\Delta m_W = -1 \,\,\mathrm{MeV}$ 
  - → Cuts can have dramatic impact: shifts vary by factor of ~20.
  - → QCD-EW shifts potentially relevant for target precision of 8 MeV.

 $p_{T,\ell}^Z > 25 \text{ GeV}; |\eta_\ell^Z| < 2.4$ "ATLAS" cuts:  $p_{T,\ell}^W > 30 \text{ GeV}; p_{T,\text{miss}}^W > 30 \text{ GeV}; |\eta_\ell^W| < 2.4.$ "Tuned" cuts:  $p_{T,\ell}^W > 25.44 \text{ GeV}; p_{T,\text{miss}}^W > 25.44 \text{ GeV}; |\eta_\ell^W| < 2.4$ , such that  $C_{\text{th.}} = 1 \text{ at LO}.$ 





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  - What is the impact when using the full transverse momentum spectrum?
    - Cannot be evaluated using purely fixed-order results due to Sudakov shoulder.
    - Need to include multiple photon radiation.
    - Match photon shower to QCDxEW?
  - Can we gain further insight from using higher moments of lepton distribution?



[Buccioni, Caola, Delto, Jaquier, Melnikov, R.R. (2020)]





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  - How well are these captured with standard experimental simulation tools?
    - (Some) Effects of simultaneous QCD and EW radiation included in experimental analyses through e.g. RESBOS+PHOTOS.
    - Include multiple emissions but miss virtual contributions.
    - Missing effects accounted for in uncertainties?



- Generator-level input for W & Z simulation provided by RESBOS (C. Balazs & C.-P. Yuan, PRD56, 5558 (1997) and references therein), which
  - Calculates triple-differential production cross section, and  ${\rm p}_{\rm T}\text{-dependent}$  double-differential decay angular distribution
  - calculates boson  $p_T$  spectrum reliably over the relevant  $p_T$  range: includes tunable parameters in the non-perturbative regime at low  $p_T$
- Multiple radiative photons generated according to PHOTOS
   (P. Golonka and Z. Was, Eur. J. Phys. C 45, 97 (2006) and references therein)

A. V. Kotwal. CERN. 4/21/22

[A. V. Kotwal, CERN EP Seminar 21/4/2022]





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  - ▶ ...

Dialogue between theorists and experimentalists is crucial!





- Calculation of mixed QCD-EW corrections to onshell vector boson production using nested soft-collinear subtraction scheme.
- Analogous calculation exists for dilepton production.
- Estimated impact on measurement of W-mass at LHC  $\sim$  10 MeV.
  - > Looked at decorrelation in ratios of average lepton transverse momentum.
  - Strongly cut-dependent.
  - Potentially relevant for target uncertainty of 0.1 per mille.
  - > More refined analysis is required, and discussions are encouraged!





## THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION





### **BACKUP SLIDES**

















Higher order corrections contain IR singularities from soft and/or collinear radiation.

- Real corrections
  - Integrate over phase space of radiated parton:

$$- \mathbf{E} \int |\mathcal{M}|^2 F_J d\phi_g \text{ diverges}$$

- Virtual corrections
  - Explicit IR singularities from loop integration

$$\longrightarrow \mathcal{M}_{1-\text{loop}} = \frac{c_{-2}}{\epsilon^2} + \frac{c_{-1}}{\epsilon} + c_0$$

- Singularities unphysical, guaranteed to cancel in sum (KLN theorem).
- Cancellation only manifest after integrating over full phase space of emitted parton:
  - $\rightarrow$  lose kinematic information.





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- Extension of FKS subtraction to NNLO.
- Exploits color coherence of onshell, gauge-invariant amplitudes
  - Used in resummation & parton showers; not manifest in subtractions.



 Soft gluon cannot resolve details of collinear splittings; only sensitive to total color charge.





- No overlap between soft and collinear limits treated independently:
  - Energies and angles decouple.
  - Regularize soft singularities first, then collinear singularities iterative subtraction of divergences.
  - Overlapping soft singularities separated by energy ordering.
  - Overlapping collinear singularities separated using partitioning and sectoring of phase space. [Czakon ('10, '11)]
    - Natural splitting by rapidity.

### • Straightforward adaptation for mixed QCD-EW singularities.



Consider onshell vector boson production  $\, pp \to V \to \ell \bar{\ell} \,$ 

- Z production: subtractions proceed as "abelianized NNLO QCD".
- W production: qualitatively new feature photon radiated off W.
- Collinear limits regulated by W-mass, but soft limit is singular.
- Changes form of eikonal function in soft limit:

Soft gluon 
$$\rightarrow$$
 Eik<sub>g</sub> $(p_1, p_2; p_g) = \frac{2C_F(p_1 \cdot p_2)}{(p_1 \cdot p_g)(p_2 \cdot p_g)}$   
Soft photon  $\rightarrow$  Eik <sub>$\gamma$</sub>  $(p_1, p_2, p_W; p_{\gamma}) = Q_u Q_d \frac{2(p_1 \cdot p_2)}{(p_1 \cdot p_{\gamma})(p_2 \cdot p_{\gamma})} - Q_W^2 \frac{p_W^2}{(p_W \cdot p_{\gamma})^2}$   
 $+ Q_W \left( Q_u \frac{2(p_W \cdot p_1)}{(p_W \cdot p_{\gamma})(p_1 \cdot p_{\gamma})} - Q_d \frac{2(p_W \cdot p_2)}{(p_W \cdot p_{\gamma})(p_2 \cdot p_{\gamma})} \right)$ 

### More complicated function, but method is conceptually unchanged!





Can make subtraction scheme simpler:

- NNLO QCD: soft limits of gluons overlap  $\rightarrow$  introduced energy ordering.
- Mixed QCD-EW: soft limits of gluons and photons are independent → no energy ordering needed.
- Soft subtraction: iterated NLO-like soft limits.
- Genuine NNLO-like singularities in collinear limits → require phase-space partitioning and sectoring.
- Fewer collinear limits, e.g.



 $\rightarrow$  Fewer sectors required.





 $q(p_1)\bar{q}(p_2) \to e^-(p_3)e^+(p_4)g(p_5)\gamma(p_6)$ 

• Partitioning:

 $1 = w^{15,16} + w^{25,26} + w^{15,26} + w^{16,25} + w^{15,36} + w^{15,46} + w^{25,36} + w^{15,46}$ 

• Triple collinear sectors

• Double collinear sectors







- Additional partitions have only double collinear limits
  - $\succ$  ~ NLO x NLO simple!





LO Corrections  $\sim \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^i \alpha^j)$ 

$\sigma$ [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

• LHC 13.6 TeV

- NNPDF31\_nnlo\_as\_0118\_luxqed
- $G_{\mu}$  input scheme for EW parameters.
- Massless leptons, clustered with photons if  $\Delta R_{\ell\gamma} < 0.1$  ("lepton jets")

• 
$$\mu_R = \mu_F = \mu = m_{\ell\ell}/2$$

• 
$$m_{\ell\ell} > 200 \text{ GeV}$$

 $p_{T,\ell^{\pm}} > 30 \text{ GeV}$ 

$$|y_{\ell^{\pm}}| < 2.5$$

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





• Fiducial cross section to NNLO QCD + NLO EW:

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

- Theoretical uncertainty:
  - > Vary scale  $\mu$  by factor of 2 in either direction.
  - > Change input scheme for EW parameters to  $\alpha(m_Z)$ -scheme.
  - > Take envelope of these results.
- Mixed QCD-EW corrections (~ -1%) comparable to theoretical uncertainty.
- Including mixed QCD-EW corrections decreases theoretical uncertainty (mainly through decreasing dependence on EW input scheme)

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

(\*) Uncertainties from pdfs not included

#### W-mass Workshop Orsay, 23 February 2023

• At high energies, EW corrections dominated by universal Sudakov logarithms.

Phenomenological Results: Cross sections in mass windows

• Look at fiducial cross section in 4 mass windows:

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

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













Similar pattern for  $p_{T,\ell^+}$  :

- NLO EW and QCD-EW corrections become more important at high transverse mass.
- QCD-EW corrections have slightly stronger dependence on transverse momentum compared to NLO EW corrections.
- Reach ~ -3% at  $p_{T,\ell^+} \simeq 500 \text{ GeV}$







 NLO EW corrections to angular and rapidity distributions show minor shape changes.

 Mixed QCD-EW corrections very flat.

