

Finite lifetime effects in top quark pair production at threshold

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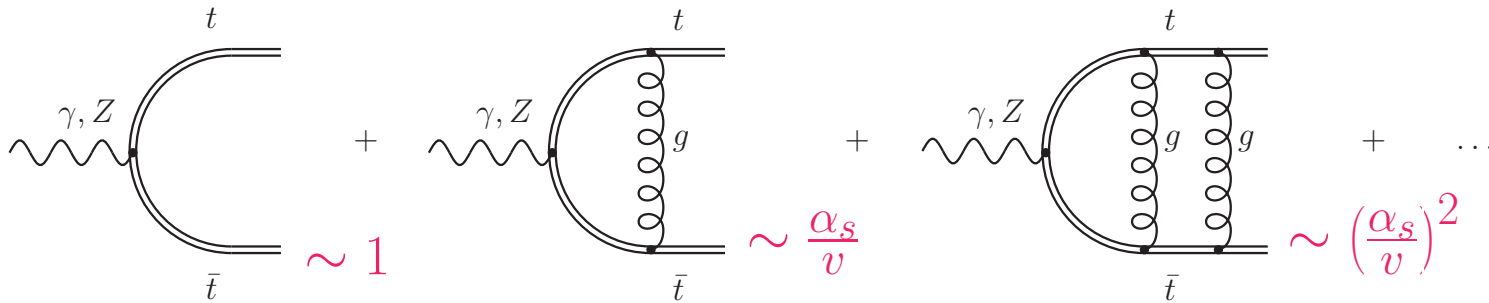
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\Rightarrow Perturbation theory in α_s breaks down $v \sim \alpha_s$

\Rightarrow Non-relativistic QCD (vNRQCD) \simeq Schrödinger theory at LO

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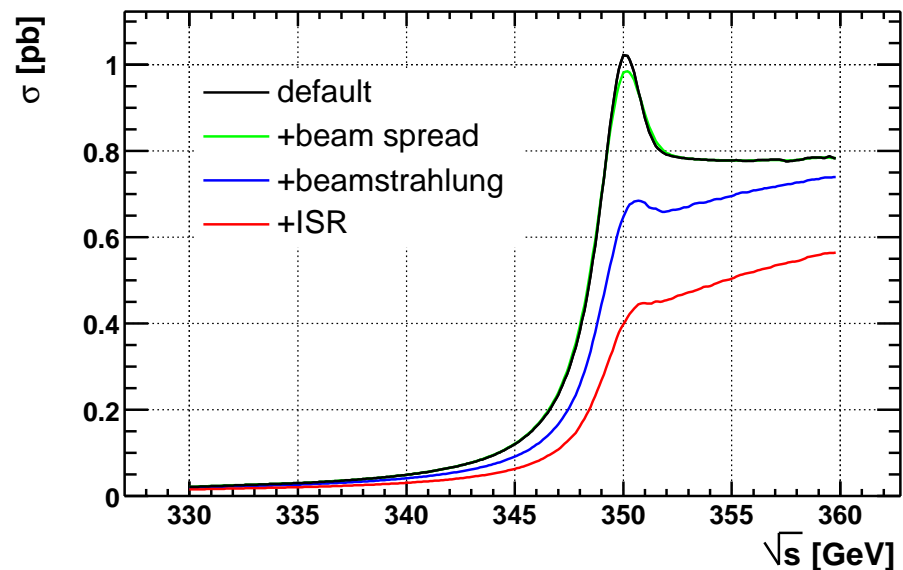
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⇒ No bound states

⇒ Smooth line-shape of $\sigma_{\text{thr}}(e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t})$

⇒ Non-perturbative effects suppressed

Fadin, Khoze (JETP Lett. 46, 1987)



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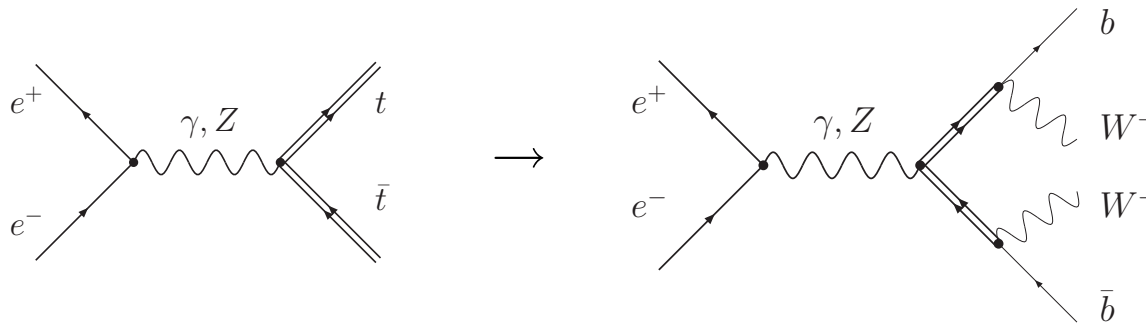
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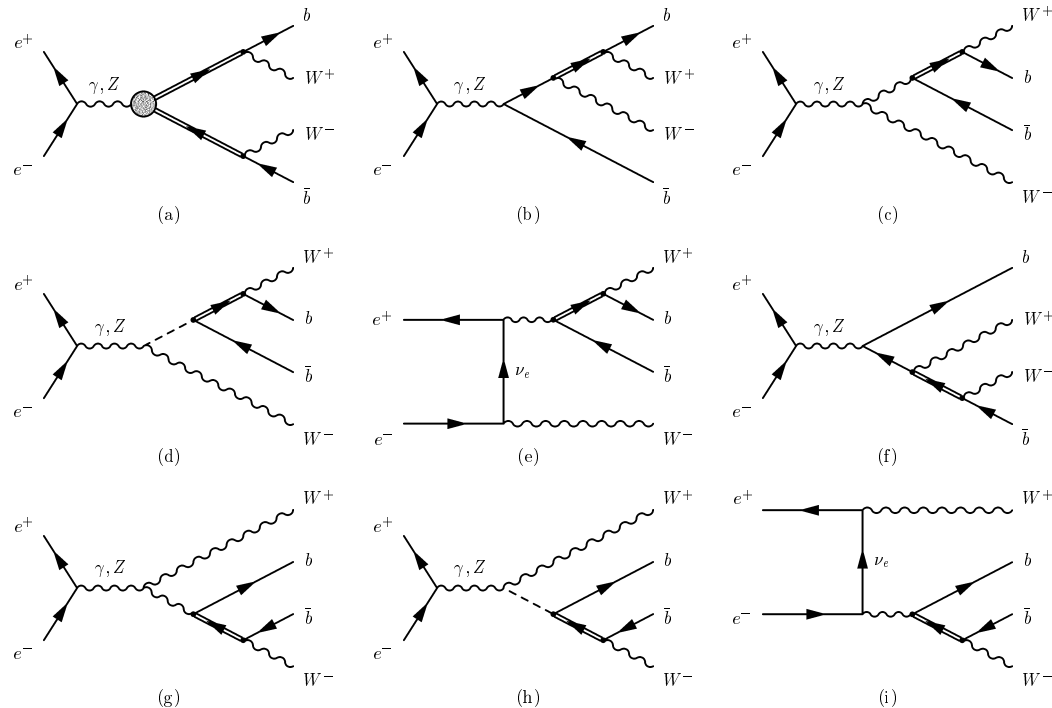
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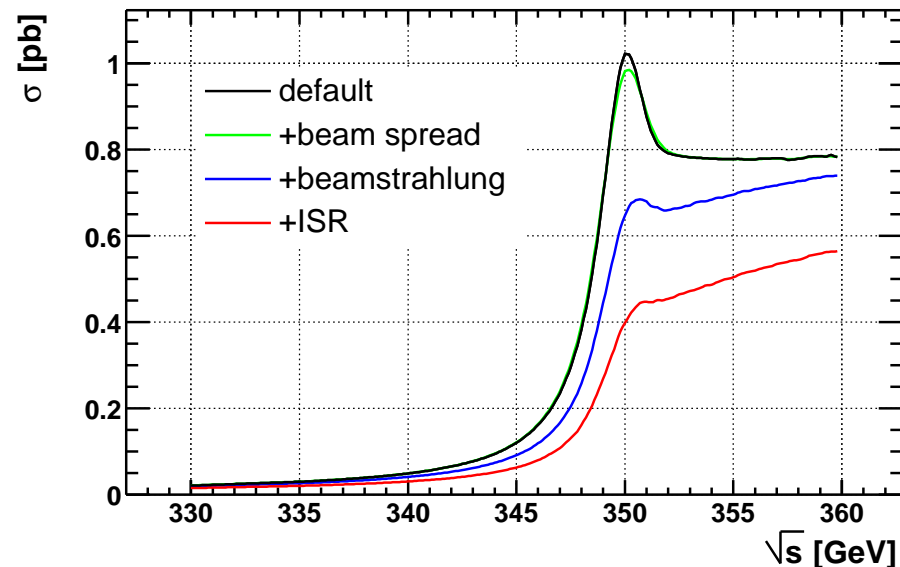
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- Measured cross section contains luminosity spectrum

$$\sigma^{\text{obs}}(s) = \int_0^1 dx \mathcal{L}(x) \sigma^{\text{theo}}(x^2 s)$$

→ pure QED effects not considered here



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⇒ Required theoretical precision

$$(\delta \sigma_{\text{thr}} / \sigma_{\text{thr}}) \leq 3\%$$

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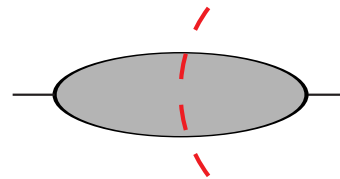
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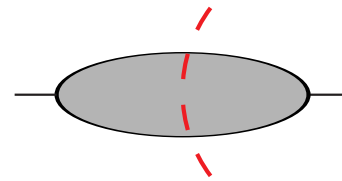
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$$\left(-\frac{\nabla^2}{m_t} - \frac{\nabla^4}{4m_t^3} + V(\mathbf{r}) - E \right) G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', E) = \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}')$$

$$\text{where } V(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p}') = \left[\frac{\mathcal{V}_c}{\mathbf{k}^2} + \frac{\mathcal{V}_k \pi^2}{m_t |\mathbf{k}|} + \frac{\mathcal{V}_r (\mathbf{p}^2 + \mathbf{p}'^2)}{2m_t^2 \mathbf{k}^2} + \frac{\mathcal{V}_2 + 2\mathcal{V}_s}{m_t^2} \right], \mathbf{k} = \mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}'$$

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Electroweak effects

$$\Gamma_t \sim m_t \alpha \approx E_{\text{kin}} \sim m_t \alpha_s^2$$

- LL: $E \rightarrow E + i\Gamma_t$ Fadin, Khoze (JETP Lett. 46, 1987) ✓
- NLL: – NNLO Phase space divergences \Rightarrow NLL RG effects
– Phase space matching
- NNLL: – real matrixelement corrections
– imaginary matrixelement corrections \rightarrow interferences
– NNLL running due to phase space divergences \rightarrow not yet done

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- ⇒ Contributions of real Wb final states contained in matching conditions of the EFT
 - inclusive treatment
- ⇒ Analogy to absorption processes in the Optical Theory

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$$\longrightarrow_t \quad \bar{\psi}(\not{p} - m_t)\psi$$

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NNLL time dilatation correction

Instability beyond LL

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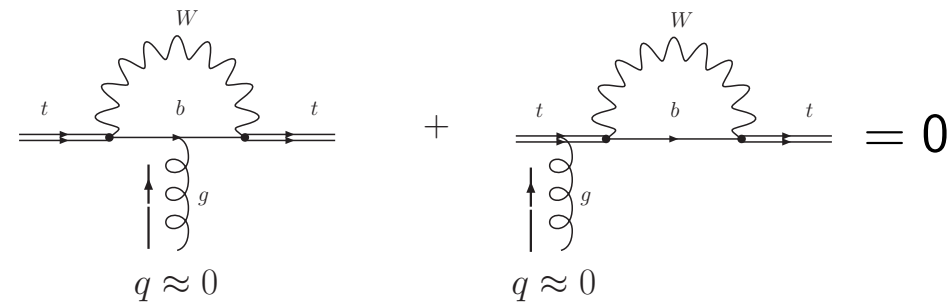
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Gluon interactions and potentials:



- Electroweak corrections either beyond NNLL order or contributions to σ_{tot} cancel due to gauge invariance

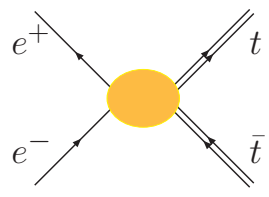
Melnikov, Yakovlev (Phys. Lett. B324, 1994)
Fadin, Khoze, Martin, Stirling (1995)



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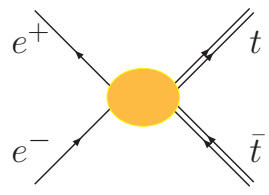
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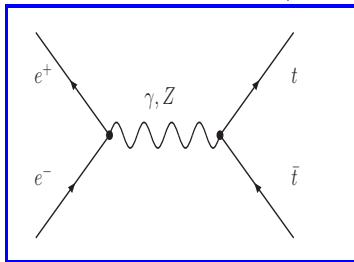
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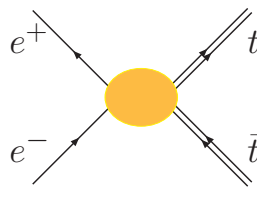
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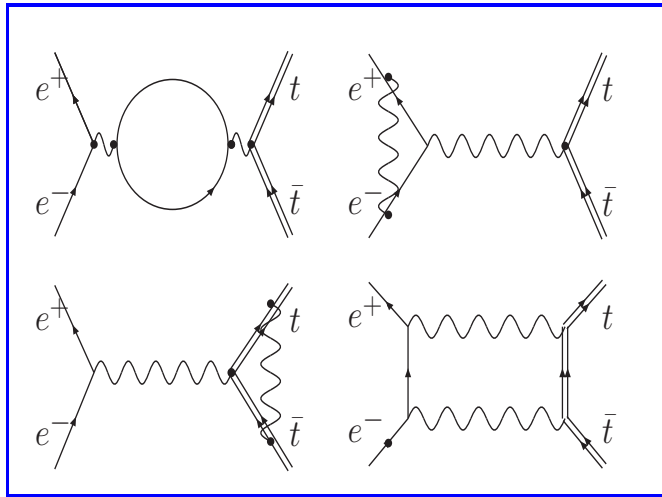
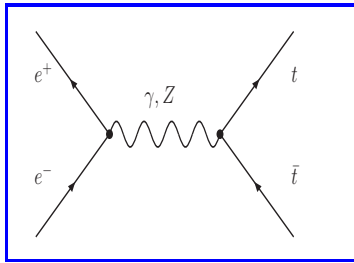
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Real parts of electroweak 1-loop diagrams $O(\alpha)$

(pure QED diagrams not considered)

Grzadkowski, Kühn, Krawczyk, Stuart (Nucl. Phys. B 281,1987)

Hoang, CR (Phys. Rev. D 74, 2006)

⇒ Usual hard effects at NNLL

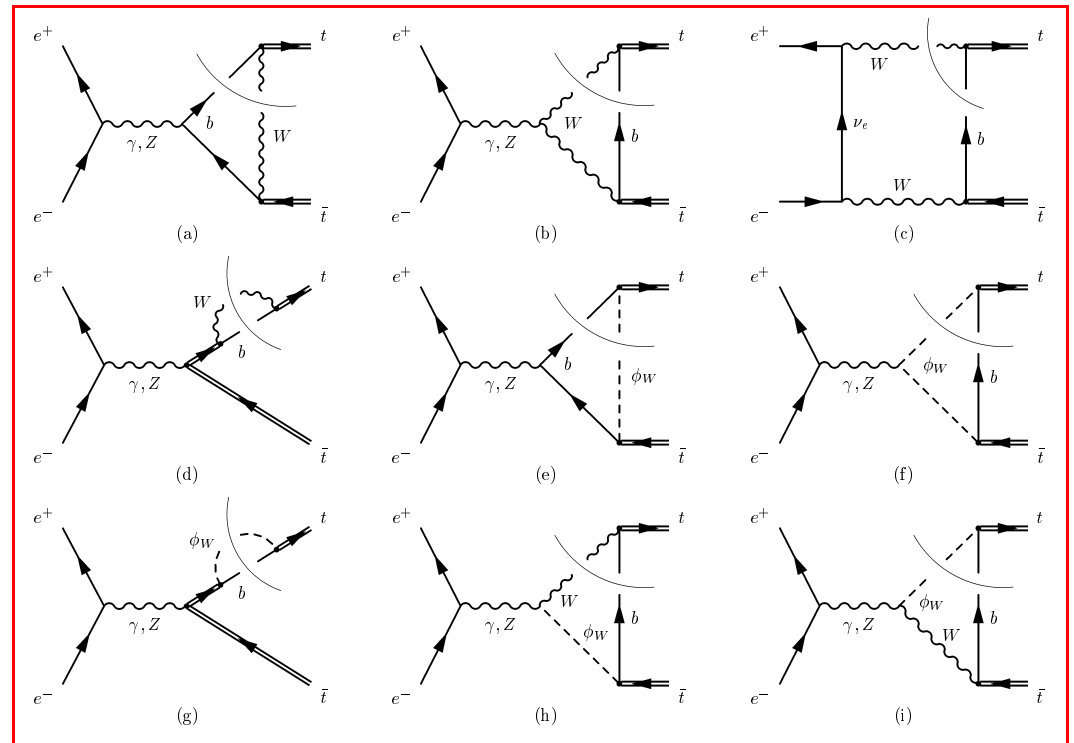
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- bW cuts of electroweak 1-loop diagrams
- bW cuts are gauge invariant
- bW considered as stable particles
- ⇒ **NNLL instability effects**



Hoang, CR (Phys. Rev. D 71, 2005)

Interferences

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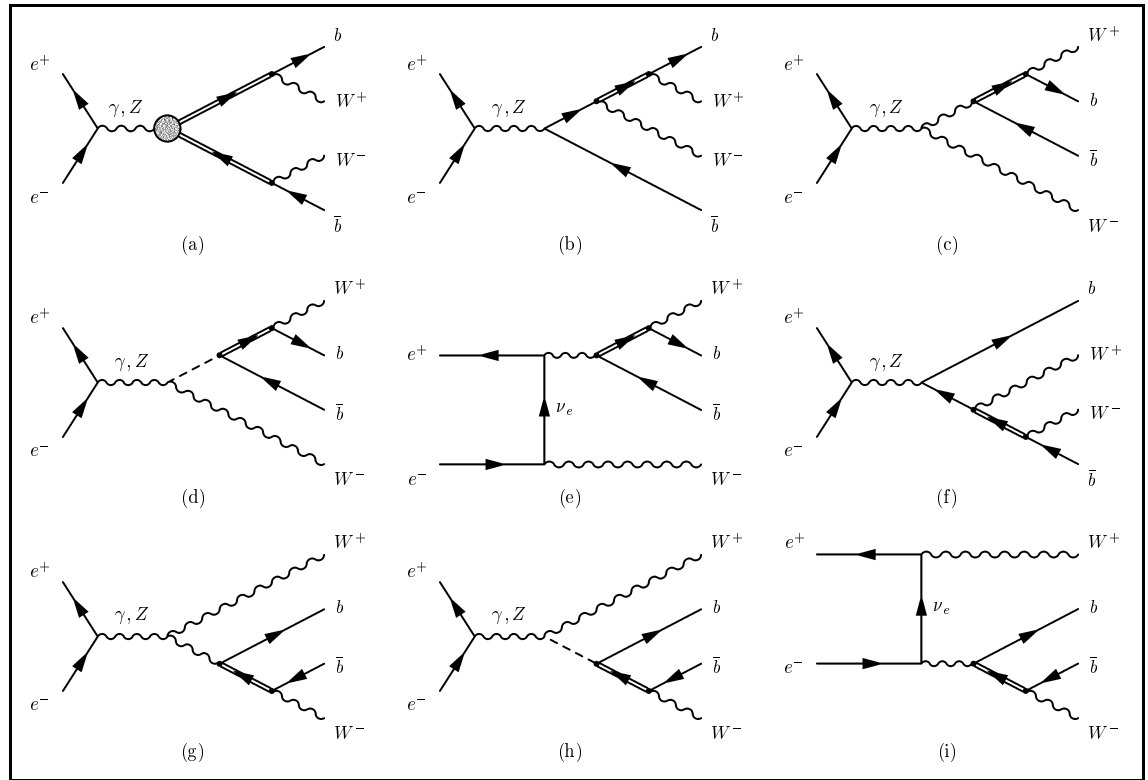
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\gg Interference of double- and single-resonant diagrams with $bW^+ \bar{b}W^-$ final state



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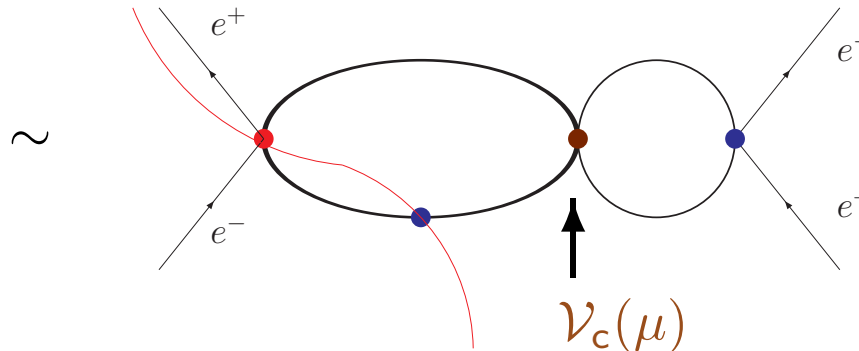
- **NNLL** interference effect

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contains logarithmic UV phase space divergence

$$C_{\text{NNLL}}^{\text{int}} \mathcal{V}_c(\mu) \frac{1}{\epsilon}$$

$$\mathcal{V}_c(\mu) = -4\pi C_F \alpha_s(\mu)$$



from $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$ contribution to Green function

$$\langle \text{Diagram} \rangle = G_{\text{LL}}^{\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)} = \alpha_s(\mu) C_F \frac{m_t^2}{4\pi} \left[\frac{1}{4\epsilon} - \ln \left(\frac{-im_t v}{\mu} \right) + \frac{1}{2} - \ln 2 \right]$$

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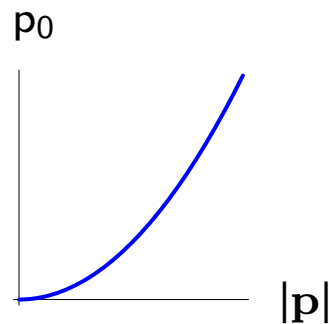
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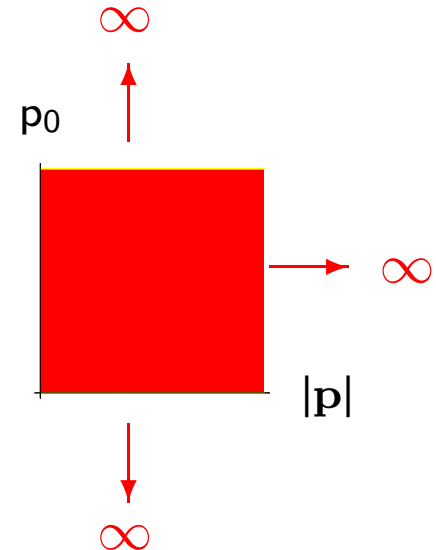
Stable tops

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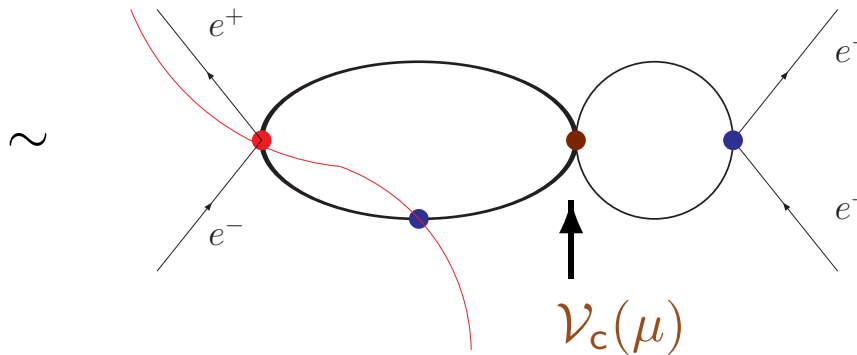
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- **NLL** mixing effect:

\Rightarrow Anomalous dimension for $(e^+e^-)(e^+e^-)$ operators:

$$i C(\mu) \cdot \left(\begin{array}{cc} e^+ & e^- \\ & \times \\ e^- & e^+ \end{array} \right)$$

\gg Matching coefficients

\Rightarrow RG running leads to correction $\Delta^{\Gamma,2} \sigma_{\text{tot}}$

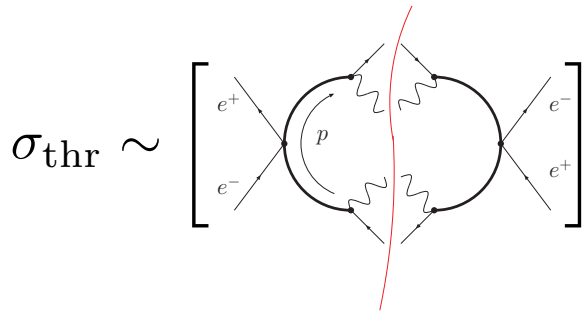
$C(\mu = m_t, \Lambda)$ from

- \sqrt{s} -independent
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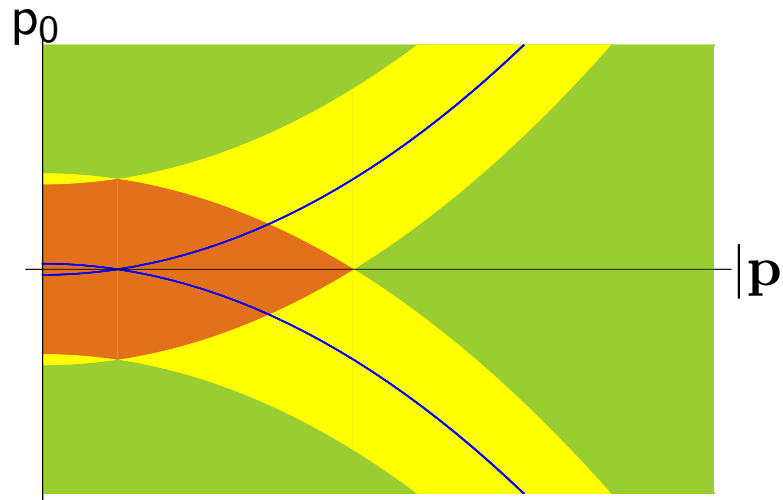
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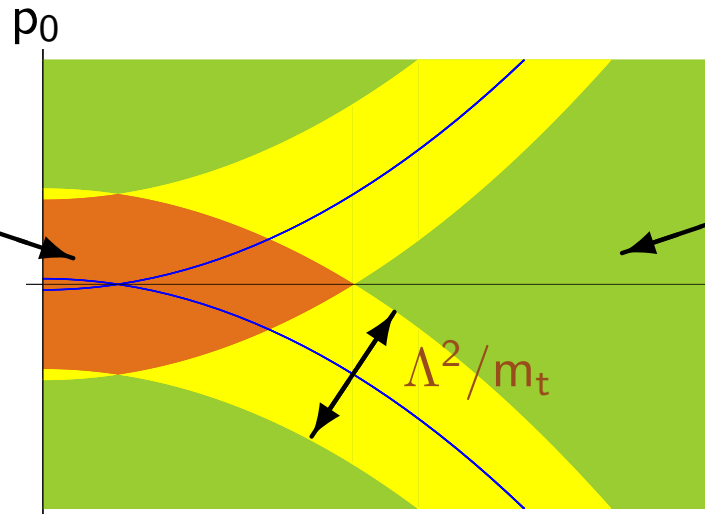
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$$\sigma_{\text{thr},\Lambda} \sim \left[\text{Diagram with } p \text{ and } e^+e^- \text{ lines} \right] + \text{Im} \left[i C_1(m_t, \Lambda) \left[\text{Diagram 1} \right] + i C_2(m_t, \Lambda) \frac{\hat{E}}{m_t} \left[\text{Diagram 2} \right] + \dots \right]$$

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$|q^2 - m_t^2| < \Lambda^2 \lesssim m_t^2$
 double-resonant
 non-rel. expansion valid
 Λ : cut on inv. mass of top/antitop



unphys. region of the EFT
 single-/non-resonant
 subtracted by local expansion
 Matching conditions:
 $C_1(m_t, \Lambda), C_2(m_t, \Lambda), \dots$

Phase space cut

Experimental cut Λ

- Λ corresponds to the maximal invariant mass of a detected bW pair that is associated with a top quark decay event

⇒ Cross section is differential in exp. parameter Λ :

$$\sigma_{\text{thr}}(\Lambda)$$

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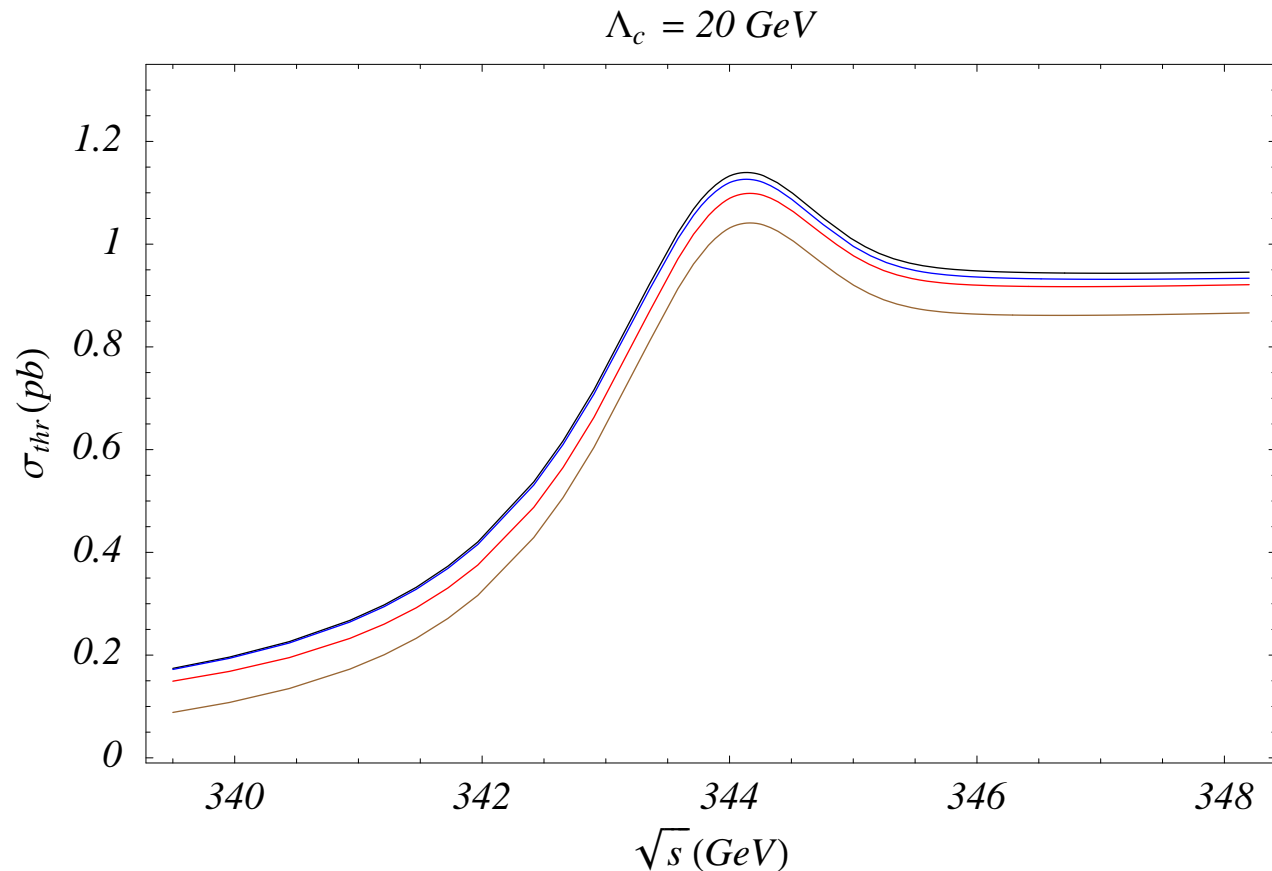
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Scaling of the cut: $\Lambda^2 \lesssim m_t^2$

- Power counting breaking: natural scaling $\Lambda^2 \sim 2 m_t E \sim m_t^2 v^2$
 - Higher dimension operators not suppressed
 - + However: $\frac{\Lambda}{m_t} < 1$ allows for sufficient numerical suppression
→ typical choice $\Lambda \approx 0.6 m_t$

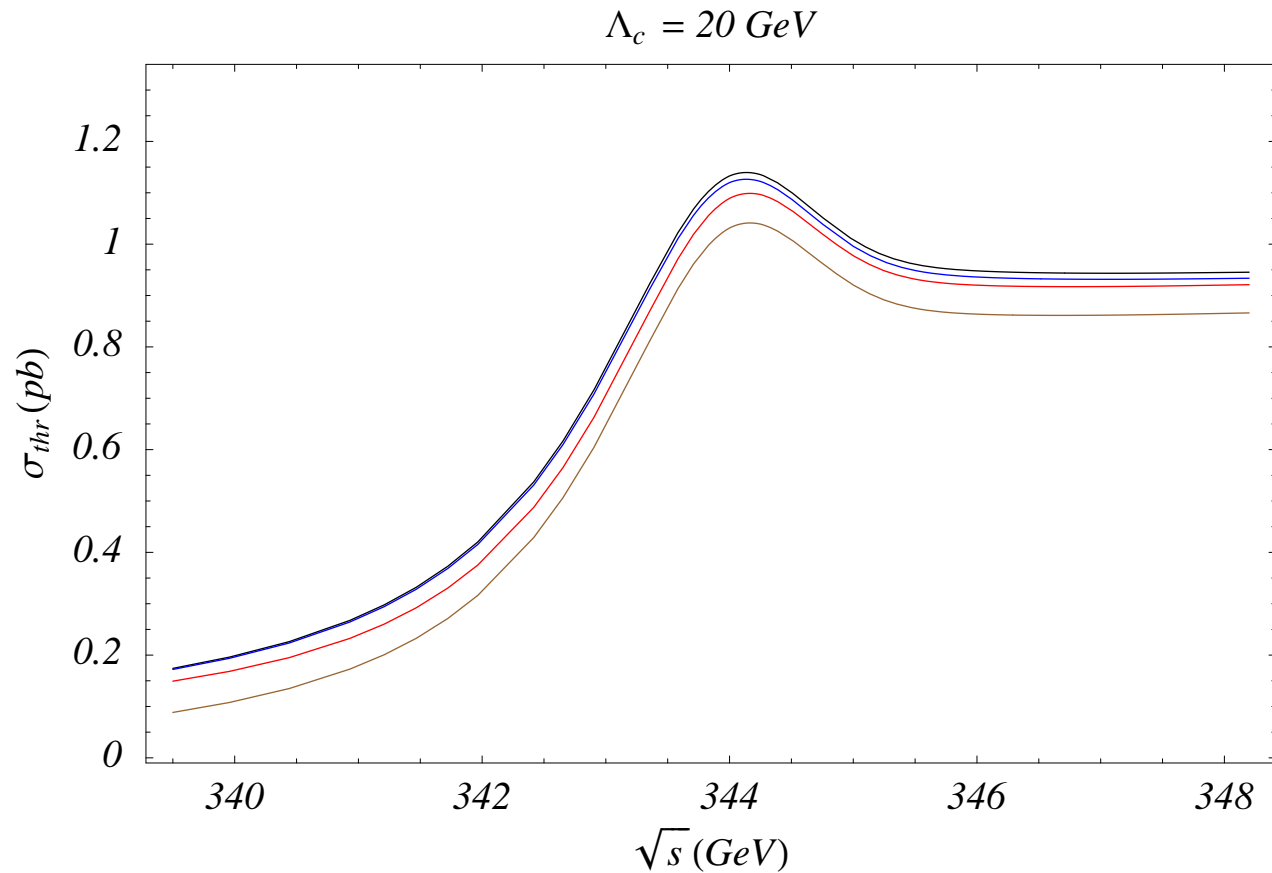
⇒ Mild power counting breaking

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- Standard vNRQCD cross section (NNLL Coulomb Green function), $\nu = 0.2$
- plus usual electroweak corrections at NNLL (no QED corr.), $M_H = 130 \text{ GeV}$
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Outlook:

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Backup slides

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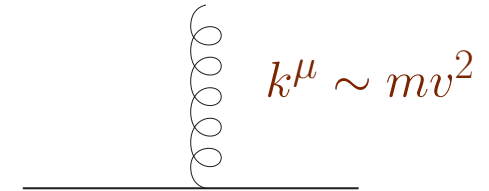
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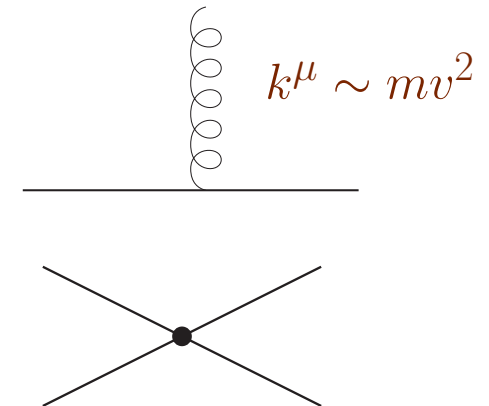
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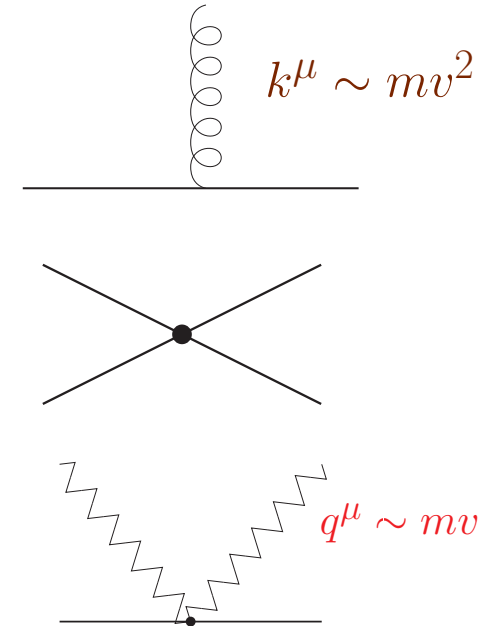
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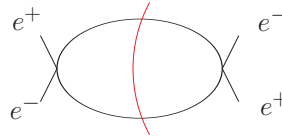
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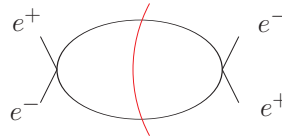
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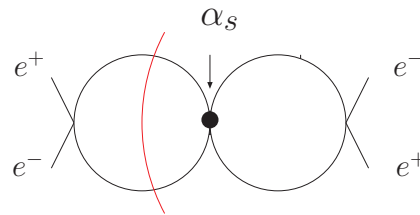
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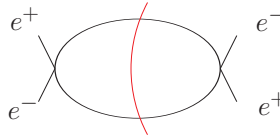
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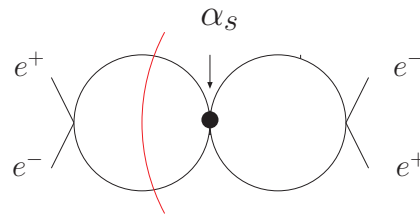
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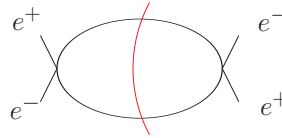
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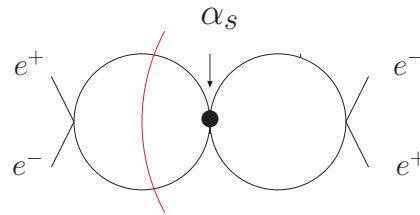
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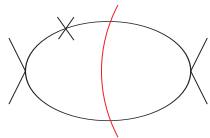
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$$\frac{\mathbf{p}^4}{8m_t^3}$$



$$\sim i \left[\# \frac{\Gamma_t \Lambda}{m_t^2} + \dots \right]$$

$$\sim i [0.001 + \dots]$$

\Rightarrow Suppression by *mild* power counting breaking