
Recent advances at the top threshold: summation of logs and finite lifetime effects

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Outline

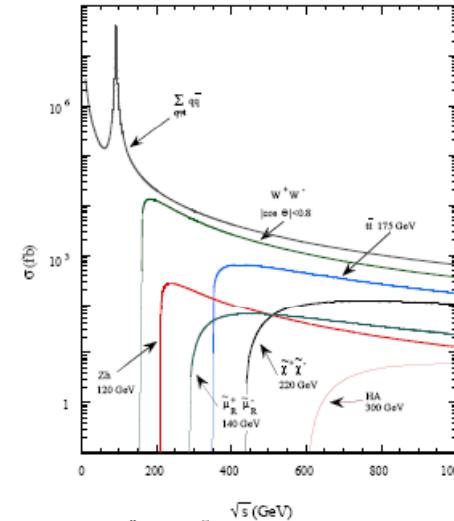
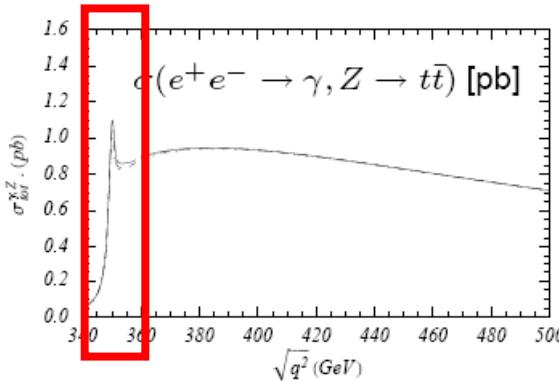
- Physics at the Top Pair Threshold
 - Measurements, experimental issues
 - Theory issues
- Effective Theory (A): stable top quarks
- Effective Theory (B): unstable particle EFT
 - Finite lifetime effects
 - Interference effects
 - Phase space UV-divergences, summation of logs
 - Phase space matching
- Applications:
 - $e^+ e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ at NNLL
 - $e^+ e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t} H$ at NLL
 - squark pair production

—————> A. Sopczak's talk



Top Physics and the ILC

- e^+e^- collider: $E_{\text{cm}} = 350 \text{ GeV} - 1 \text{ TeV}$
- Luminosity: $10^{34}-10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1} \rightarrow 100-1000 \text{ fb}^{-1}/\text{year}$
 - LC $\sim 10^5 t\bar{t}$ pairs $[\sigma_{\text{tot}} < 1 \text{ pb}] (e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t})$
 - LHC $\sim 10^8 t\bar{t}$ pairs $[\sigma_{\text{tot}} \approx 850 \text{ pb}] (gg \rightarrow t\bar{t})$
- Initial state tunable and very well known \rightarrow threshold & continuum
 - Centre of mass energy variable



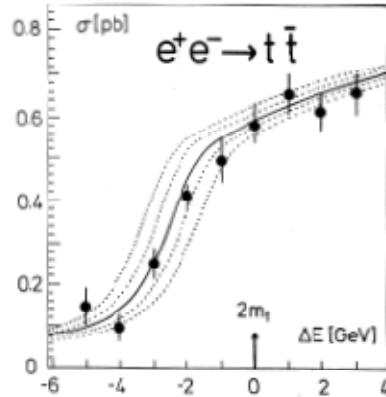
- e^\pm beam polarization: $P_{e-} \sim 80\%$, $P_{e+} \sim 60\%$
- $\gamma\gamma$, γe options: $e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t} ({}^3S_1)$, $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow t\bar{t} ({}^1S_0)$



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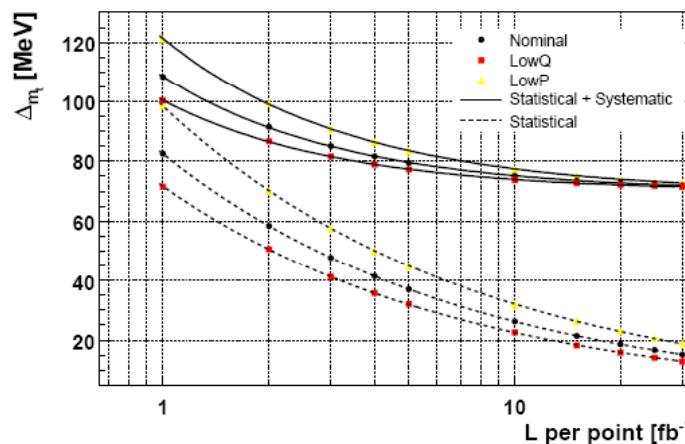
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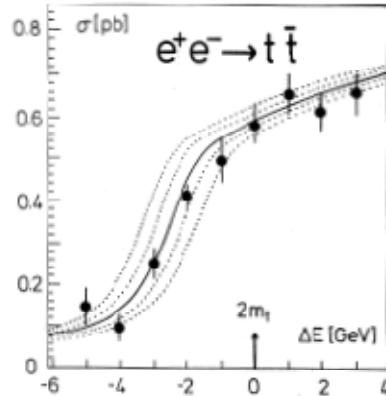
Boogert, Gounaris 2007
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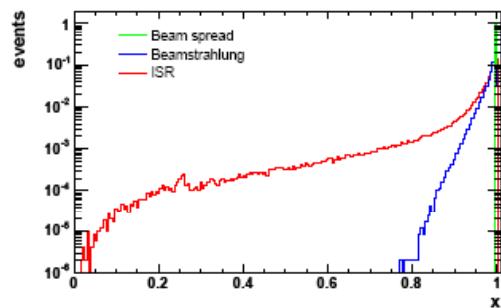
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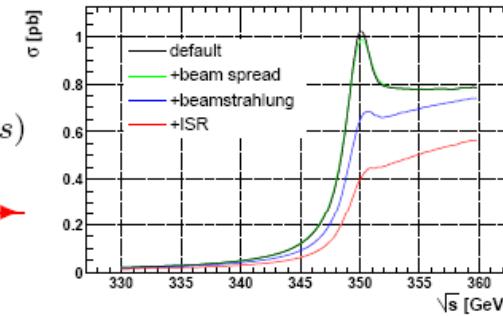
Simulations



Influence of Luminosity spectrum (LO QED effect!)

$$\sigma(s) = \int_0^1 dx L(x) \sigma^0(x^2 s)$$

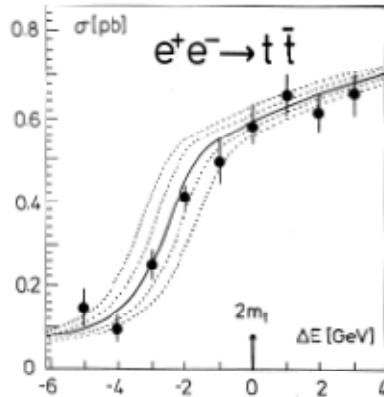
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Simulations 300 fb^{-1} , 9+1 scan points \rightarrow goal:

$$(\delta\sigma/\sigma)^{\text{theo}} \leq 3 \%$$

$$(\delta m_t)^{\text{stat}} \sim 20 \text{ MeV}$$

$$(\delta m_t)^{\text{syst}} = 50 \text{ MeV}$$

$$(\delta m_t)^{\text{theo}} \simeq 100 \text{ MeV}$$

$$(\delta\lambda_t/\lambda_t)^{\text{stat}} = 15 - 50\%$$

$$(\delta\lambda_t/\lambda_t)^{\text{syst}} = ?$$

$$(\delta\lambda_t/\lambda_t)^{\text{theo}} \sim ?$$

$$(\delta\alpha_s(M_Z))^{\text{stat}} = 0.001$$

$$(\delta\alpha_s(M_Z))^{\text{syst}} = 0.002$$

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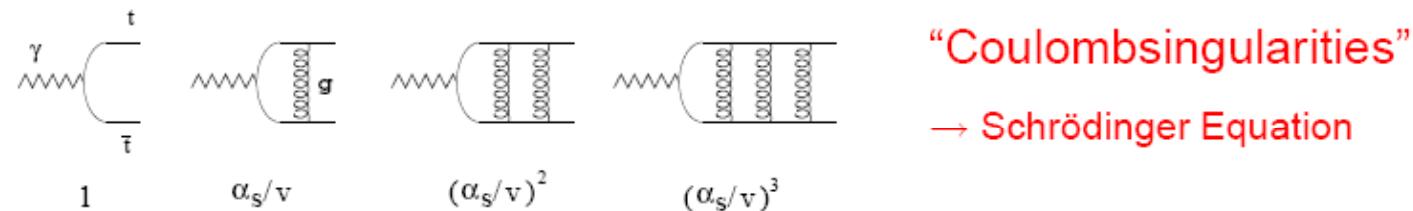
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Theory Issues

$$m_t \text{ (hard)} \gg p \sim m_t v \text{ (soft)} \gg E \sim m_t v^2 \text{ (ultrasoft)}$$

- perturbation theory in α_s breaks down $(\alpha_s/v)^n$



- perturbation theory in α_s breaks down \rightarrow large logs $(\alpha_s \ln v)^n$

$$m_t = 175 \text{ GeV}, \quad p \sim 25 \text{ GeV}, \quad E \sim 4 \text{ GeV} \quad \Rightarrow \ln \left(\frac{m_t^2}{E^2} \right) = 8 \quad \rightarrow \text{RGE's}$$

“multi-scale problem”



Theory Issues

- $\boxed{\Gamma_t \approx 1.5 \text{ GeV} \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}}$ $\Rightarrow v = \sqrt{\frac{E}{m}} \rightarrow v_{\text{eff}} = \sqrt{\frac{E+i\Gamma_t}{m}}$
(Fadin,Khoze)
 $\Rightarrow m_t \gg p = mv_{\text{eff}} \gg E = mv_{\text{eff}}^2 \gtrsim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$ always true !
 \Rightarrow top threshold entirely perturbative ! \rightarrow “Schrödinger theory”
- $\boxed{E \sim \Gamma_t}$: top quarks are always produced off-shell !
 \rightarrow methods for on-shell production do not apply for
 - theoretical computations
 - experimental analysis \rightarrow dependence on exp. cuts

“theory for unstable particles”



EFT – Shopping List

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} \sim v \sum_{n,m} \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{v}\right)^n \left(\alpha_s \ln v\right)^m \left[1, \{v, \alpha_s\}, \{v^2, \alpha_s v, \alpha_s^2\}, \dots \right]$$

LL NLL NNLL

- Action from **Lagrangian** in terms of field operators
 - ▷ Manifest power counting in v at all times consistently obey $E \ll p \ll m$ and $\Gamma_t \sim E \sim p^2/m$
 - ▷ Symmetries: gauge, spin, ...
 - ▷ Regulator independence → matching in different schemes
- **Renormalization** of the theory → **anomalous dimensions, summation of $(\alpha_s \ln v)^m$**
- **Dimensional regularization**



vNRQCD (stable quarks)

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{usoft}} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{potential}} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{soft}}$$

Luke, Manohar, Rothstein, Stewart, A.H.

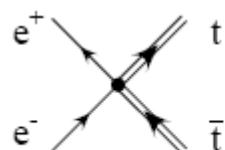
$$D^\mu = \partial^\mu + i\mu_U^\epsilon g_s(m\nu^2)A^\mu$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{usoft}} : \quad \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \quad \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \quad \psi_{\mathbf{p}}^\dagger(x) \left\{ iD^0 - \frac{(\mathbf{p}-i\mathbf{D})^2}{2m_t} - \delta m_t \right\} \psi_{\mathbf{p}}(x)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{potential}} : \quad \text{---} \times \text{---} \quad \text{---} \times \text{---} \text{---} \quad \mu_S^{2\epsilon} V(\nu) \psi_{\mathbf{p}'}^\dagger \psi_{\mathbf{p}} \chi_{-\mathbf{p}'}^\dagger \chi_{-\mathbf{p}}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{soft}} : \quad \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \bullet \quad \mu_S^{2\epsilon} U_{\mu\nu}(\nu) \psi_{\mathbf{p}'}^\dagger A_q^\mu A_{q'}^\nu \psi_{\mathbf{p}}$$

external currents: (production & annihilation)



$$\mathbf{O}_P = C_{V,A}(\nu) \cdot [\bar{e} \gamma^i (\gamma_5) e] [\psi_{\mathbf{p}}^\dagger \boldsymbol{\sigma}^i \tilde{\chi}_{-\mathbf{p}}^*] + \dots$$

$$t\bar{t} \text{ } (^3S_1)$$



Cross Section at NNLL Order

Schematic:

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}} \propto \text{Im} \left[\int d^4x e^{-i\hat{q}x} \left\langle 0 \left| T \mathbf{O}_P^\dagger(0) \mathbf{O}_{P'}(x) \right| 0 \right\rangle \right]$$

$$\propto \text{Im} [(C_A(\nu)^2 + C_V(\nu)^2) G(0, 0, \sqrt{s})]$$

$$\left(-\frac{\nabla^2}{m} - \frac{\nabla^4}{4m^3} + V(\mathbf{r}) - (\sqrt{s} - 2m - 2\delta m) - i\Gamma_t \right) G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') = \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}')$$

fully known
at NNLL order ✓

NLL ✓
NNLL (matching) ✓ Benke et al; Czarnecki et al '99
NNLL (non-mixing) ✓ AH '03
NNLL (mixing)
spin-dependent (soft) Penin et al. '04
usoft $1/m^2$ Stahlhofen, AH '05

Manohar, Stewart; AH '99-'03
Pineda, Soto '00-'01
Peter '94, Schröder '98



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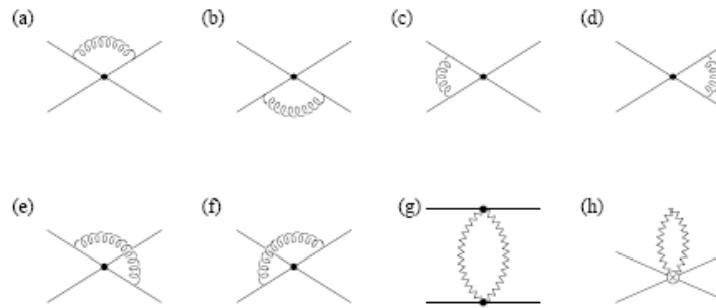
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LL running of $V_{1/m^2}(\nu)$



$$\frac{\mathcal{V}_r(\nu)(\mathbf{p}^2 + \mathbf{p}'^2)}{2m^2 k^2} + \frac{\mathcal{V}_2(\nu)}{m^2} + \frac{\mathcal{V}_s(\nu)}{m^2} \mathbf{S}^2 + \frac{\mathcal{V}_\Lambda(\nu)}{m^2} \Lambda + \frac{\mathcal{V}_t(\nu)}{m^2} T$$



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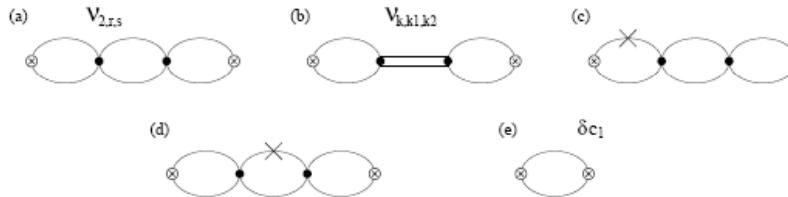
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NLL running of $C(\nu)$



$$\frac{d}{d \ln \nu} \ln C(\nu) = -\frac{\mathcal{V}_c(\nu)}{16\pi^2} \left(\frac{\mathcal{V}_c(\nu)}{4} + \mathcal{V}_2(\nu) + \mathcal{V}_r(\nu) + S^2 \mathcal{V}_s(\nu) \right) + \frac{\mathcal{V}_k(\nu)}{2}$$

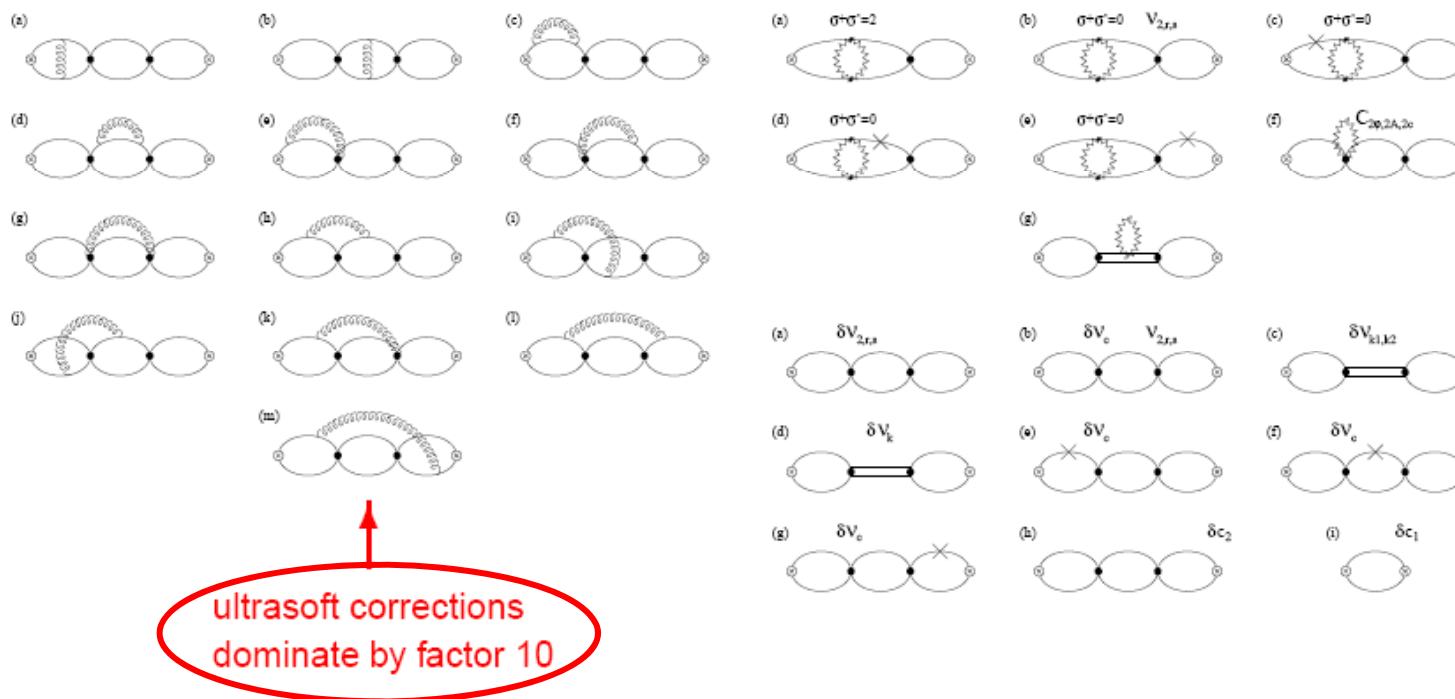
Luke,Manohar,Rothstein '99, Pineda '01
Stewart,AHH '02



Cross Section at NNLL Order

NNLL running of $C(\nu)$

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$$\frac{\delta z_c^{\text{NNLL},1}}{\epsilon} = \frac{\text{const}}{\epsilon} + \frac{\text{const}}{\epsilon} \times \ln \left(\frac{m_t \mu_U}{\mu_S^2} \right)$$

\Rightarrow consistency under renormalization requires:

scale correlation: $\mu_U \propto \mu_S^2/m_t$

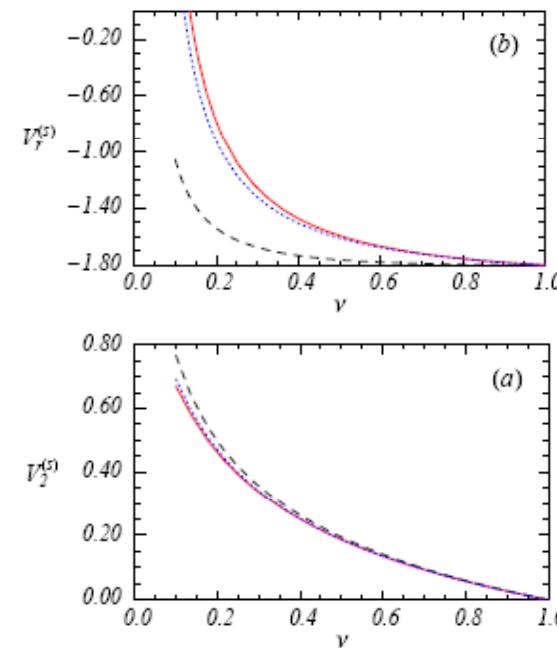
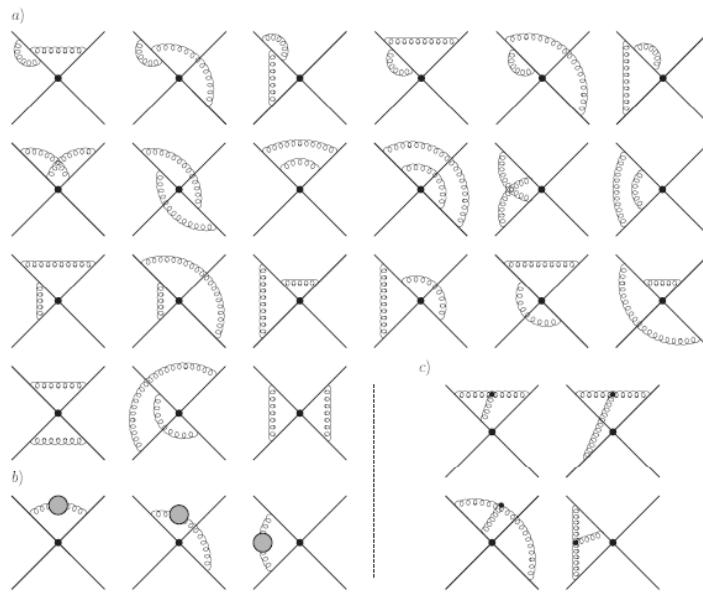


Cross Section at NNLL Order

NNLL usoft running of $C(\nu)$ (mixing contributions)

Stahlhofen, AH 2006

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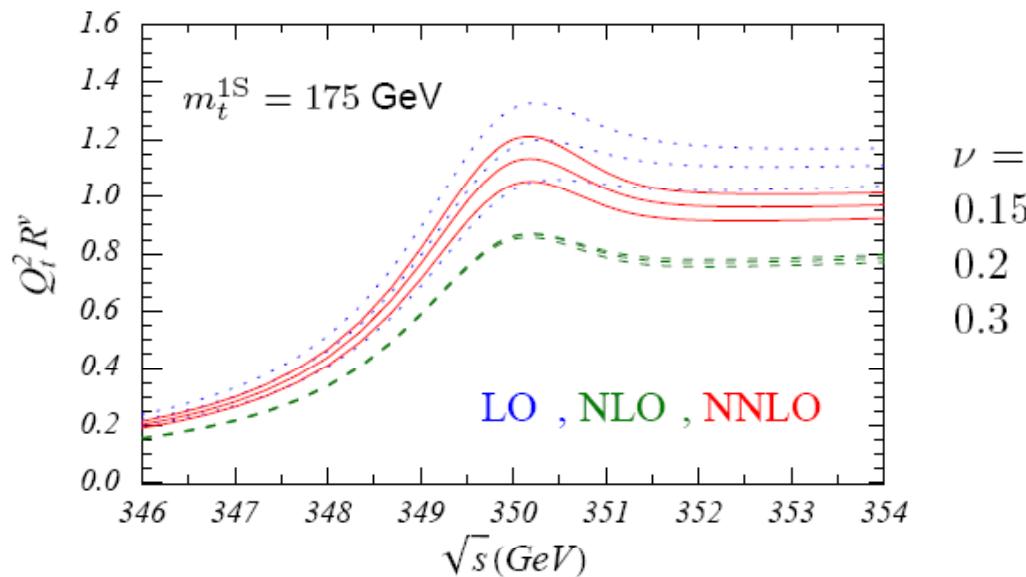
→ spin-independent $\mathcal{O}(1/m|\vec{k}|)$ potentials w.i.p.



Cross Section at NNLO Order

1S mass - fixed order approach

Teubner,AH; Melnikov, Yelkovski;Yakovlev;
Beneke,Signer,Smirnov; Sumino, Kiyo



- peak position stable (threshold masses: 1S, PS, ...)
- large sensitivity to factorization/renormalization scale setting
- NNNLO partial results: Penin et al. '02 '05, Beneke et al. '05, Eiras et al. '05, '06
Marquard, Steinhauser et al '06

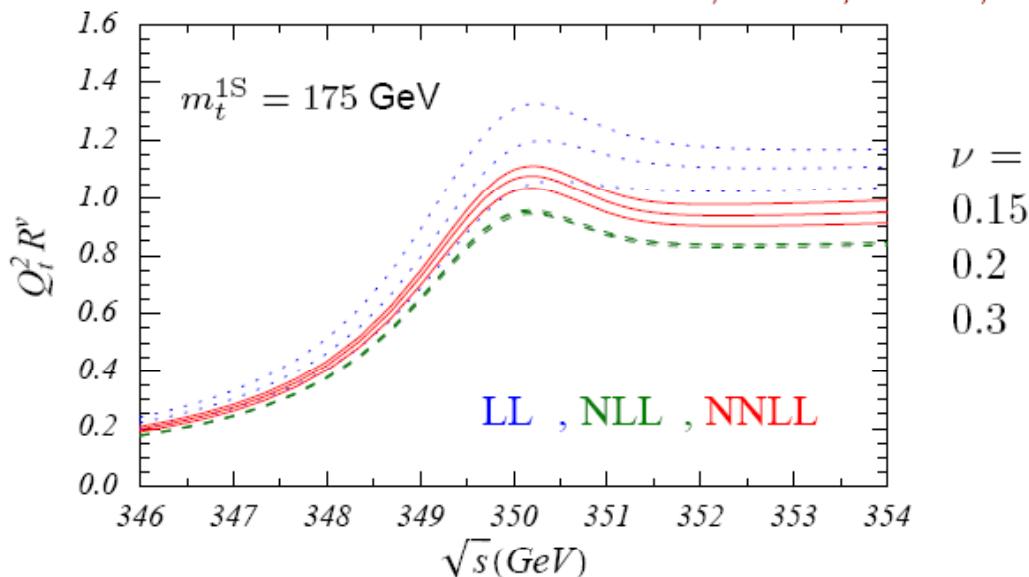
→ talk by Y. Kiyo



Cross Section at NNLL Order

1S mass - RG-improved, with NNLL non-mixing terms

Manohar, Stewart, Teubner, AH



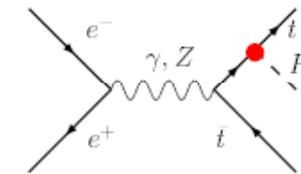
- RGI expansion shows better convergence
- theory error: $\delta\sigma_{t\bar{t}}/\sigma_{t\bar{t}} \sim \pm 6\%$ goal: 3%
- full NNLL (mixing) running of $C(\nu)$ required → w.i.p.



Reminder: ttH Production

$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}H$$

→ top-Yukawa coupling



- Theory Status: $\sigma(e^+ e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}H)$

Born ✓

[Gaemers et al., Djouadi et al.]

1-loop ew. ✓

[Denner et al., Belanger et al., You et al.]

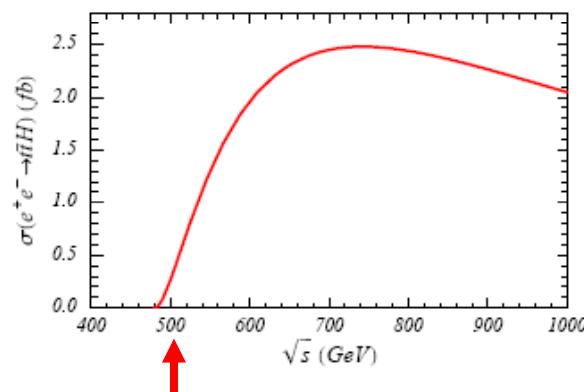
$\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$ fixed-order ✓

[Dittmaier et al., Dawson et al.]

NLL large- E_H QCD endpoint corrections



[C. Farrell, AHH]



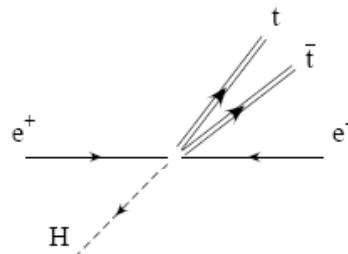
- tiny cross section for $\sqrt{s} = 500$ GeV
- measurement of Yukawa coupling difficult
- $\delta Y_t / Y_t \sim 30\%$ feasible at $\sqrt{s} = 500$ GeV
[A. Juste, 2002]



Reminder: ttH Production

Farrell, AH 2006

→ region of large Higgs energy

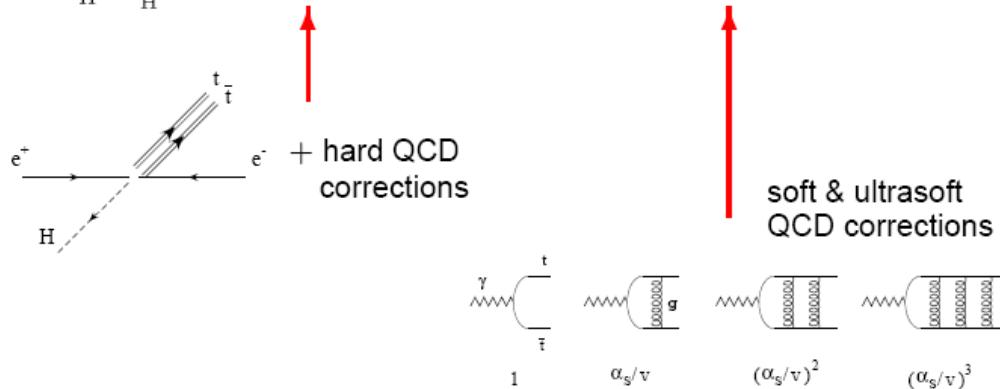


→ $t\bar{t}$ collinear

→ QCD effects localized in $t\bar{t}$ system

⇒ $t\bar{t}$ dynamics non-relativistic

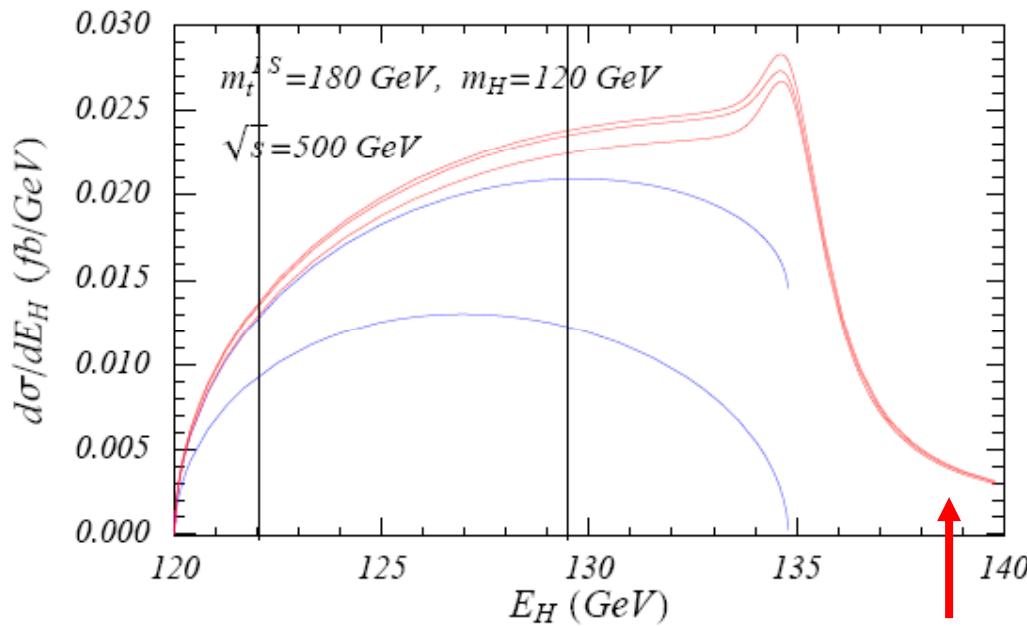
$$\rightarrow \left(\frac{d\sigma}{dE_H} \right)_{E_H \approx E_H^{\max}} \sim C^2(\mu, \sqrt{s}, m_t, m_H) \times \text{Im}[G(0, 0, v, \mu)]$$



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$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}H$

→ NLL Higgs energy spectrum



Farrell, AHH

Current work:
NLL finite lifetime effects

500 GeV:

- factor 2 enhancement over tree level from summation of $(\alpha_s/v)^n$, $(\alpha_s \ln v)^n$ terms
- essential for realistic studies for ILC (phase I) Juste '02, '06

$$\Rightarrow (\delta \lambda_t / \lambda_t)_{500 \text{ GeV}}^{\text{ILC}} \sim 30\% \quad \stackrel{\sim}{=} \quad 10 - 15\%$$



NRQCD (unstable quarks)

“inclusive treatment”

- ⇒ Optical Theory: effective complex indices of refraction for absorptive processes
- ⇒ NRQCD: contributions from **real Wb final states** included in EFT matching conditions to QCD+ew. theory (=SM)
 - complex matching conditions & anomalous dimensions
 - effective Lagrangian non-hermitian
 - total rates through the **optical theorem**
 - phase space matching
 - power counting maintained

Christoph Reisser, AH; Phys. Rev. D 71, 074022 (2005)
Christoph Reisser, AH; hep-ph/0604104



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quark bilinears:

($\rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{\text{usoft}}$)

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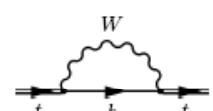
time dilatation
correction

- power counting: $\Gamma_t \propto m_t g^2 \sim m_t v^2 \Rightarrow g \sim g' \sim v \sim \alpha_s$
- finite lifetime is LL order, $E \rightarrow E + i\Gamma_t$ **Fadin,Khoze**
- NNLL time dilatation effect
- $E \rightarrow E + i\Gamma_t$ prescription does not work beyond LL order



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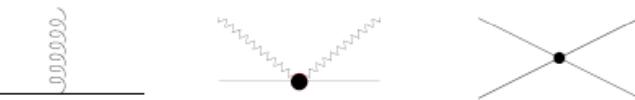
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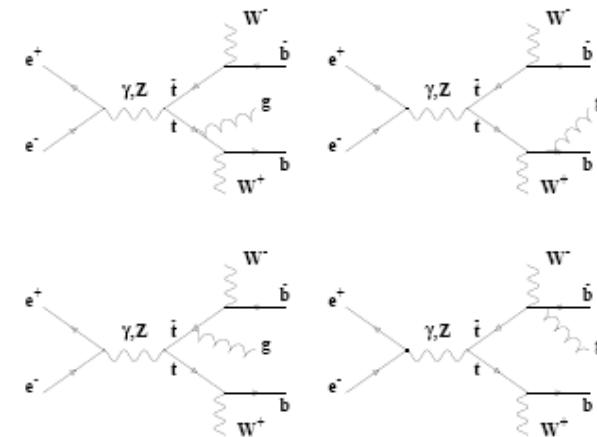
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time dilatation correction

gluon interactions & potentials:



- electroweak corrections either beyond NNLL order or vanish due to gauge cancellations
- ultrasoft gluon interference effects vanish at NLL and NNLL order (new !)



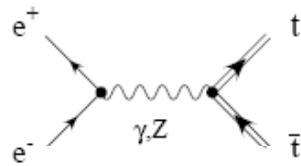
Requirement: inclusive with respect to top and antitop decay products



NRQCD (unstable quarks)

Currents:

- only bW-cuts included
- bW-cuts gauge invariant
- W treated as stable particle



$$O_p = [C^{LL} + C^{NLL} + C^{NNLL} + iC_{abs}^{NNLL} \dots] \cdot \left(\begin{array}{c} e^+ \rightarrow t \\ e^- \rightarrow \bar{t} \end{array} \right) + \dots$$

$\text{Re}[C_{ew}^{\text{NNLL}}] \rightarrow \text{weak contributions: C. Reisser, AH, hep-ph/0604104}$

Guth, Kühn 1992



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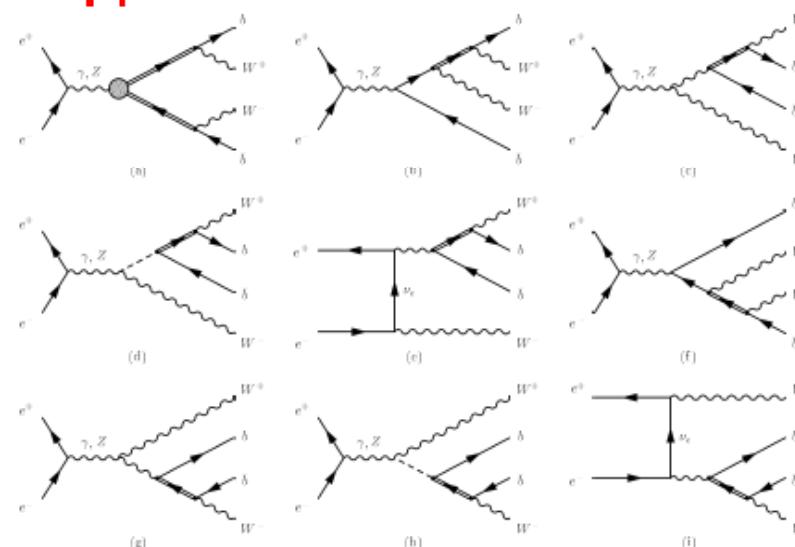
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$$\sigma_{\text{tot}} \propto \text{Im} [C(\nu)^2 G(0, 0, \sqrt{s} + i\Gamma_t)]$$



- accounts for **irreducible interference** contributions:
resonant \leftrightarrow non-resonant $W^+ W^- b\bar{b}$ final states



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$$\mathcal{O}(v^3) \sim \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3)$$

- $(\Delta\sigma_{\text{tot}}^\Gamma) \sim \alpha_s \Gamma_t \frac{1}{\epsilon}$ \Rightarrow NLL logarithmic phase space UV divergences



\rightarrow NLL anom. dim. for $(e^+e^-)(e^+e^-)$ operator $\rightarrow iC(\nu) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} e^+ & & e^- \\ & \times & \\ e^- & & e^+ \end{pmatrix}$ ✓

\rightarrow matching for $iC(\nu)$:

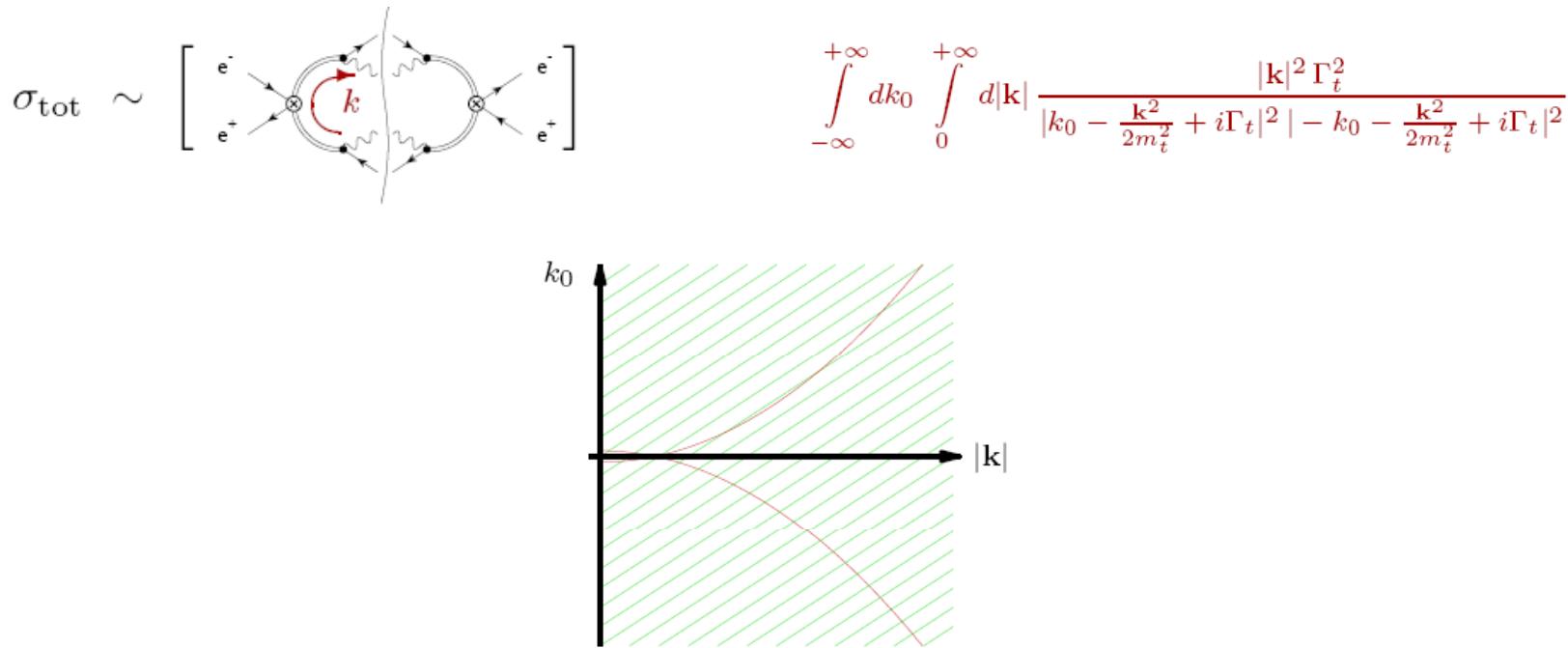
- physical $W^+W^- b\bar{b}$ phase space \rightarrow “Phase Space Matching” w.i.p.



Phase Space Matching

Reisser, Ruiz-Femenia, AH w.i.p.

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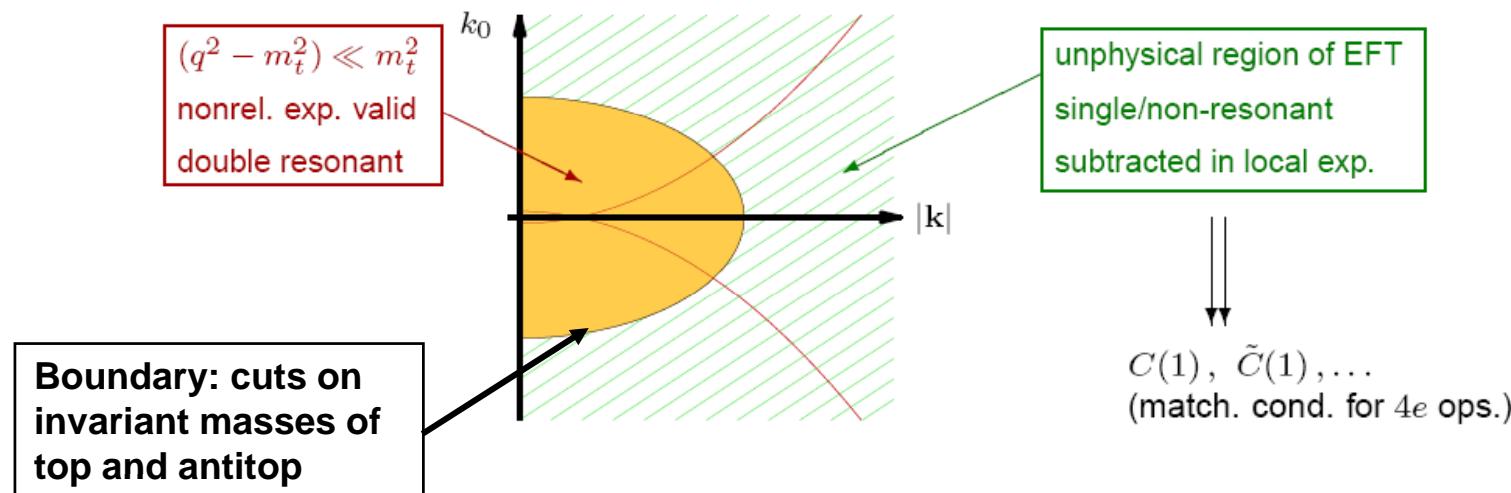


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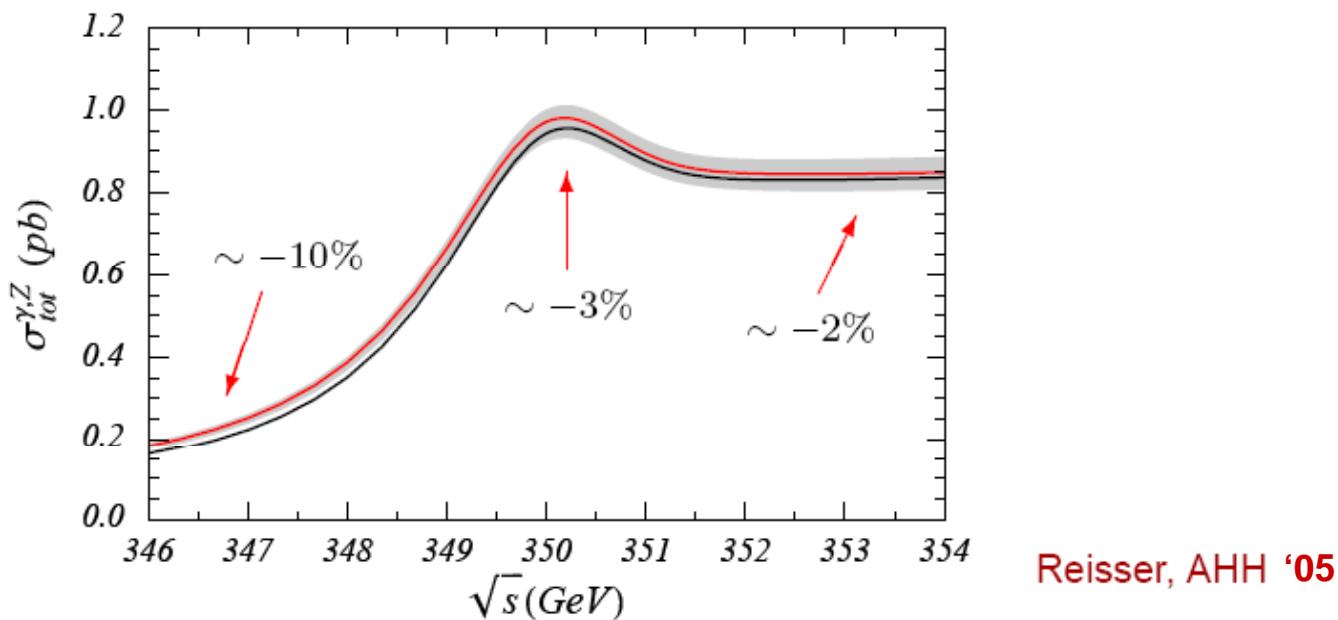
- “mild” powercounting breaking through use of momentum cuts
- mandatory for consistent predictions for P-, D-, etc. wave production (e.g. squark pairs) even at LO

Current work:

- phase space matching at NLL and NNLL for S-wave production (NNLL insertions + ultrasoft gluon effects)
- P- and higher partial waves



Effect for Total Cross Section



- phase space logs & time-dilatation corrections
- finite lifetime corrections comparable to NNLL QCD corrections
- shift in the peak position: 30 – 50 MeV $(\delta m_t^{\text{ex}} \approx 50 \text{ MeV})$



Conclusions & Outlook

- Status for total cross section (with invariant mass cuts):
 - LL (QCD+ew): ok
 - NLL (QCD): ok
 - NLL (ew): completed soon (affect line-shape)
 - NNLL (QCD): ok, except for prod. current
(absolutely crucial for coupling measurements)
dom. ultrasoft contributions completed soon
 - NNLL (ew): partially known, could be relevant
in the off-shell region below $Q=2m$
 - LO (QCD+ew): ok
 - NLO (QCD): ok
 - NNLO (QCD): ok
 - NNLO (QCD): completed soon
- Total cross section depends on experimental selection cuts: formally a NLL effect. (But numerical size depends on cuts.)
- EW+finite lifetime effects generally small where cross section ist large, but important for the $Q<2m$ tail region. (Could slightly affect mass determination. \longleftrightarrow Luminosity spectrum).
- More differential predictions are needed for more sophisticated selection cuts where additional theory input is required (e.g. contributions to distributions that cancel in the total cross section and are therefore usually neglected).

Combination



Backup Slides

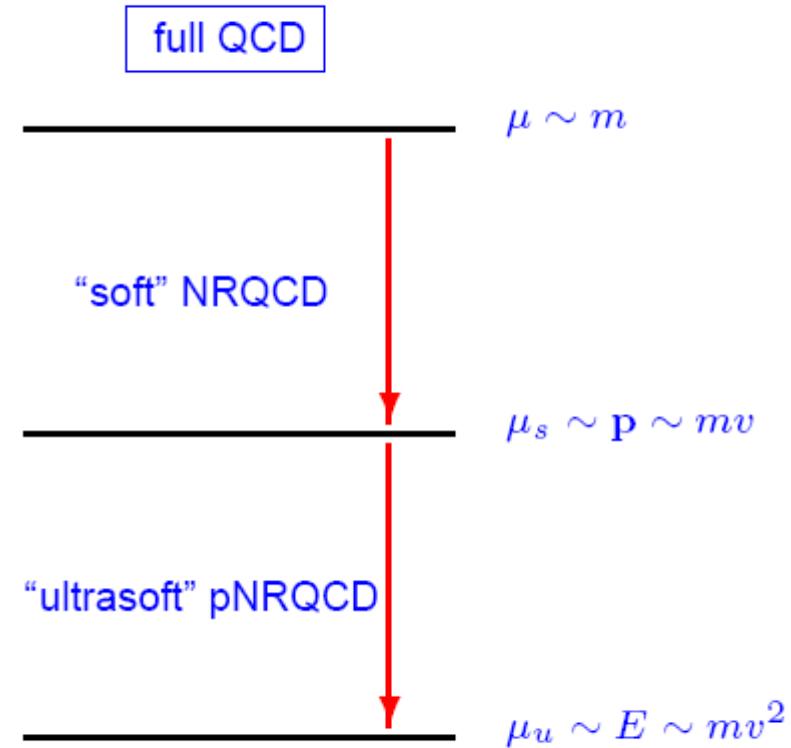


Degrees of Freedom

pNRQCD:

$$m_t \gg p \gg E$$

- sucessively integrated out d.o.f's
- sequence of effective theories
- soft matching scale (mv) and ultrasoft scale (mv^2) independent
- appropriate setup for static quarks
- top threshold:
correlate $\mu_u = \mu_s^2/m$ by hand
 \rightarrow large logs for matching at μ_s

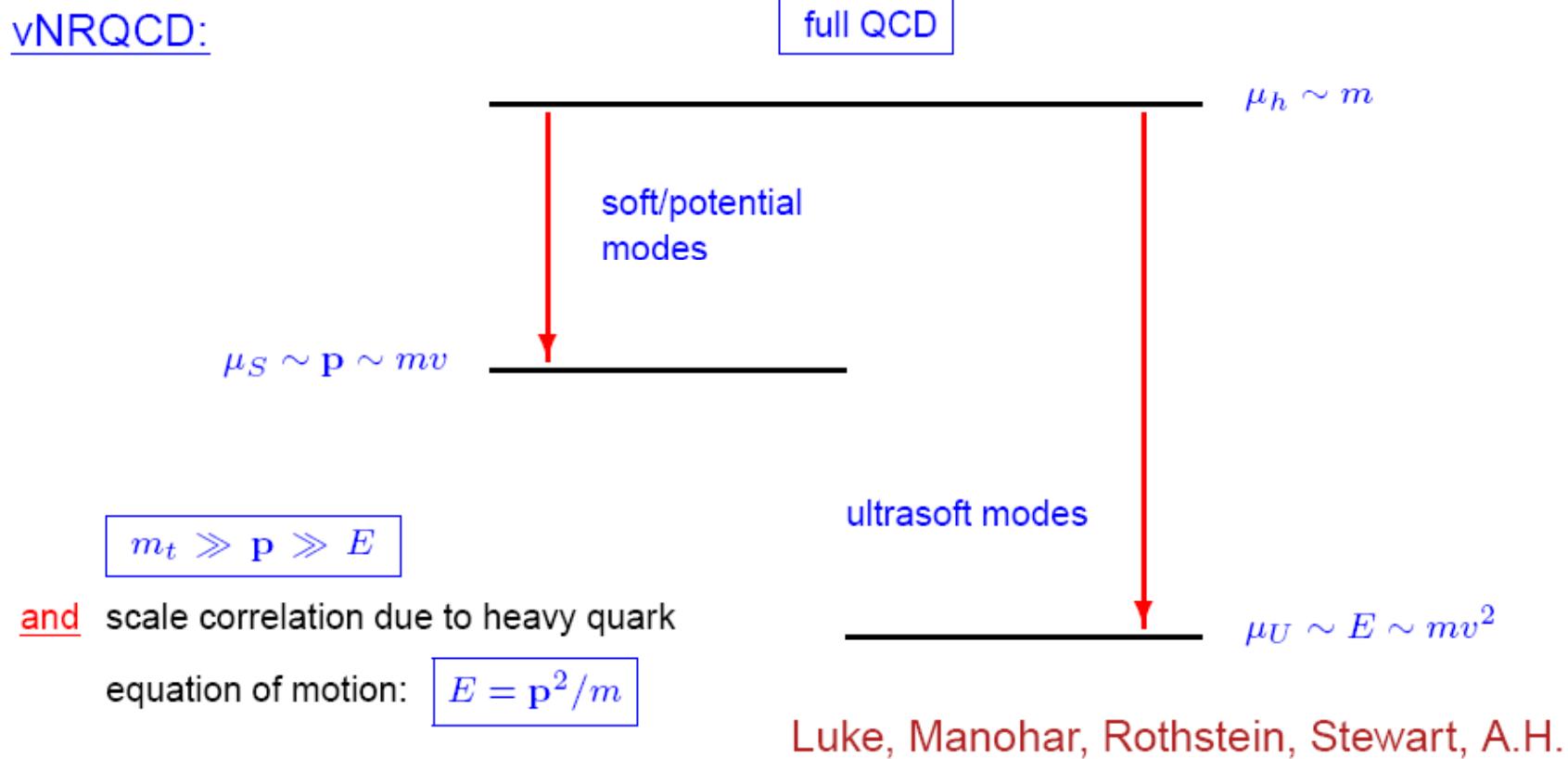


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vNRQCD:



- soft and ultrasoft modes exist at the same time
- $\mu_U = \mu_S^2/m \rightarrow \mu_S = mv, \mu_U = mv^2$

