

Power Corrections in Mass and Scattering Angle at High Energy

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Topics discussed

- **QCD at high energy**
 - *Sudakov and Regge limits*
 - *power corrections and renormalization group*
- **Sudakov limit**
 - *Higgs production at NLL $\mathcal{O}(m_q^2/s)$*
 - *Higgs production at LL $\mathcal{O}(m_q^4/s^2)$*
- **Regge limit**
 - *factorization and resummation at LL $\mathcal{O}(t/s)$*
 - *unitarity problem and its possible solution*
- *some magic relations*

Based on

*C. Anastasiou, A.A. Penin, JHEP **07**, 195 (2020)*

*A.A. Penin, JHEP **04**, 156 (2020)*

*T. Liu, S. Modi, A.A. Penin, JHEP **02**, 170 (2022)*

High energy behaviour of gauge theories

● Sudakov limit

● *high-energy fixed-angle* $m^2/s \rightarrow 0, t/s \sim 1$

● *Sudakov suppression* $e^{-\frac{\alpha}{4\pi} \frac{C_R}{2} \ln^2(s/m^2)}$

Sudakov (1956); Frenkel, Taylor (1976)

● Regge limit

● *high energy small angle* $t/s \rightarrow 0, m^2/t \sim 1$

● *Regge-like enhancement* $s^{\gamma(\alpha)}$ with $\gamma(\alpha) > 0$

Gribov, Lipatov, ... (1960s-1970s)

? *Theory beyond the leading power in $m^2/s, t/s$*

High energy limit beyond the leading power

● Power vs perturbative corrections

- Λ_X^2/Q^2 vs α_X^n

● Logarithmically enhanced power corrections

- *phenomenologically crucial (b-loop in Higgs production, etc.)*
- *intriguing from QFT point of view*
- ➔ *eikonal charge nonconservation, exponential enhancement, universality, etc.*

● Recent progress for NLP in

- *mass, angle, momentum, threshold, jetiness, ...*

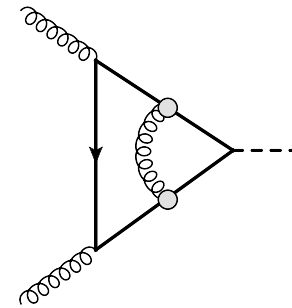
● *We focus on corrections in mass and scattering angle*

$gg \rightarrow H$ amplitude at NLP LL

T. Liu, A.A. Penin, Phys.Rev.Lett. **119** (2017) 262001

- soft quark emission \Leftrightarrow eikonal color nonconservation
- ➔ non-Sudakov double logs

$$\mathcal{M}_{gg \rightarrow H}^{qLL} = Z_g^{2LL} g(z) \mathcal{M}_{gg \rightarrow H}^{q(0)}$$



$$Z_g^{2LL} = \exp \left[-\frac{C_A}{\varepsilon^2} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \frac{\mu^{2\varepsilon}}{-s\varepsilon} \right], \quad z = (C_A - C_F)x, \quad x = \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \ln^2(m_H^2/m_q^2)$$

$$g(z) = 2 \int_0^1 d\xi \int_0^{1-\xi} d\eta e^{2x\eta\xi} = {}_2F_2(1, 1; 3/2, 2; x/2)$$

soft gluon loop exponent

$gg \rightarrow H$ amplitude at NLP NLL

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$$\mathcal{M}_{gg \rightarrow H}^{bNLL} = C_b \left(\frac{\alpha_s(m_H)}{\alpha_s(m_b)} \right)^{\gamma_m^{(1)}/\beta_0} Z_g^{2NLL} \left[-\frac{3}{2} \frac{m_b^2}{m_H^2} L^2 \mathcal{M}_{gg \rightarrow H}^{t(0)} \right]$$

Yukawa RG factor
gluon Sudakov form factor
LO amplitude

$$C_b = \left[g(z) + \frac{\alpha_s L}{4\pi} (2\gamma_q^{(1)} g_\gamma(z) - \beta_0 g_\beta(z)) \right] = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n$$

$$c_1 = \frac{z}{6} + C_F \frac{\alpha_s L}{4\pi}, \quad c_2 = \frac{z^2}{45} + \frac{z}{5} \frac{\alpha_s L}{4\pi} \left[\frac{3}{2} C_F - \beta_0 \left(\frac{5}{6} \frac{L_\mu}{L} - \frac{1}{3} \right) \right],$$

$$c_3 = \frac{z^3}{420} + \frac{z^2}{5} \frac{\alpha_s L}{4\pi} \left[\frac{5}{21} C_F - \beta_0 \left(\frac{2}{9} \frac{L_\mu}{L} - \frac{2}{21} \right) \right], \quad \dots$$

$$L = \ln(s/m_q^2), \quad L_\mu = \ln(s/\mu^2)$$

3-loop coefficient c_2 *agrees with*

Czakon, Niggetiedt, JHEP **05**, 149 (2020)

Top-bottom interference in threshold cross section

C. Anastasiou, A.A. Penin, JHEP **07**, 195 (2020)

	LO	NLO	NNLO	N ³ LO
$\delta\sigma_{pp\rightarrow H+X}^{\text{LL}}$	-1.420	-1.640	-1.667	-1.670
$\delta\sigma_{pp\rightarrow H+X}^{\text{NLL}}$	-1.420	-2.048	-2.170	-2.189
$\delta\sigma_{pp\rightarrow H+X}$	-1.023	-2.000		

● **NLL K-factors with full threshold** $\delta\sigma_{pp\rightarrow H+X}^{\text{NLO}}$

$$\delta\sigma_{gg\rightarrow H+X}^{\text{NNLO}} \approx -0.12 \text{ pb}$$

$$\delta\sigma_{gg\rightarrow H+X}^{\text{N}^3\text{LO}} \approx -0.02 \text{ pb}$$

● **New uncertainty interval** $-0.32 \text{ to } 0.08 \text{ pb}$ (factor 2 reduction)

NNLP LL: why?

● Theory

- *proof of principle*
- *the first step into terra incognita*

● Phenomenology

- *validate the quark mass expansion*
- *NNLO Higgs pair production at high p_{\perp}*

NNLP LL: how?

● Brut-force approach

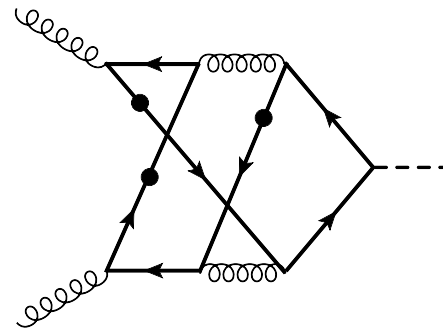
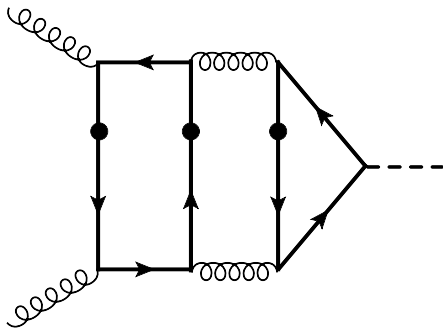
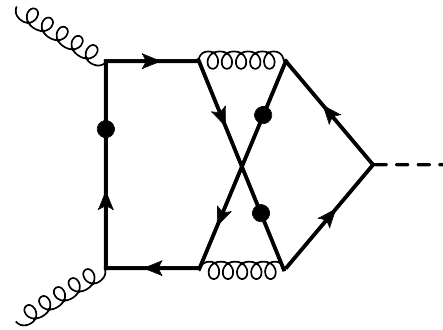
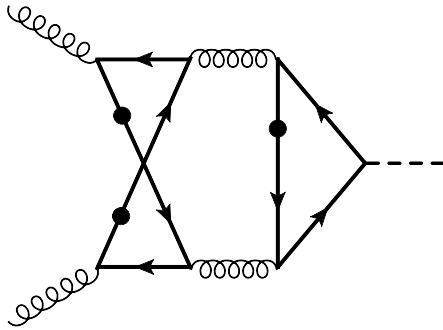
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- *expansion by regions* \Leftrightarrow *homogeneous integrals* \Leftrightarrow *log corrections*
- *Ward identities + momentum shifts + eikonal factorization* \Leftrightarrow *resummation*

● Classification of NNLP terms for $gg \rightarrow H$

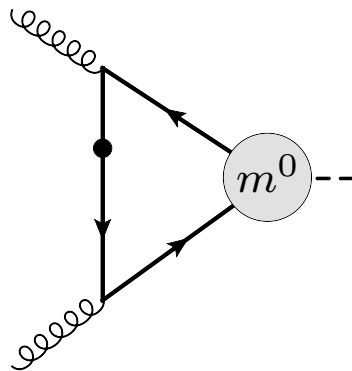
- *soft quarks exchange: single or triple*
- *topology: factorizable/nonfactorizable*

Triple soft quark exchange

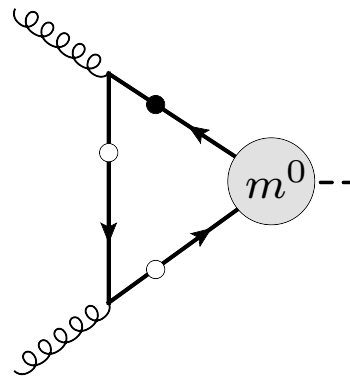


only planar graph contributes \Leftrightarrow factorizable topology

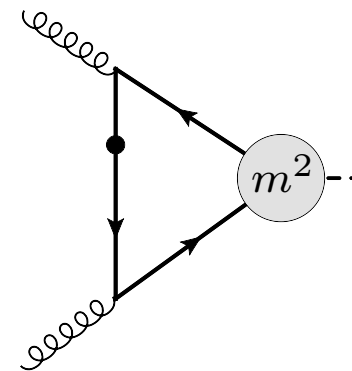
Factorizable contribution



NLP



NNLP (1)



NNLP (2)

- *NNLP (1) power corrections to $gg \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ amplitude*
 - *non helicity-flip contribution for the first time*
- *NNLP (2) power corrections to the off-shell FF*
 - *can be inferred from on-shell result*

Scalar form factor NLP LL

● On-shell FF

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$$F_S = Z_q^2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{m_q^{2n}}{Q^2} F_S^{(n)}, \quad F_S^{(1)} = -\frac{C_F T_F}{3} x^2 f(-z)$$

● Magic #1: universal function for all NLP form factors

$$f(z) = 1 + \frac{z}{5} + \frac{11}{420} z^2 + \frac{z^3}{378} + \dots$$

confirmed to 3 loops in M. Fael, et al. Phys.Rev.D **106**, 034029 (2022)

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$$f(z) \sim 6 \left[\ln \left(\frac{z}{2} \right) + \gamma_E \right] \left(\frac{2\pi e^z}{z^5} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$f(-z) \sim \left[(\ln(2z) + \gamma_E)^2 - \frac{\pi^2}{2} \right] \frac{3}{z^2},$$

asymptotic behaviour at $z \rightarrow \infty$

Scalar form factor NLP LL

● Off-shell FF



● change of IR cutoff $m^2 \rightarrow p_i^2$

$$f(z) \rightarrow 12 \int_0^\eta d\eta_2 \int_0^\xi d\xi_2 \int_0^{\eta_2} d\eta_1 \int_0^{\xi_2} d\xi_1 e^{-2z\eta_2\xi_2} e^{2z\eta_1\xi_1}$$

$$\eta, \xi \propto \ln(p_i^2/Q^2)$$

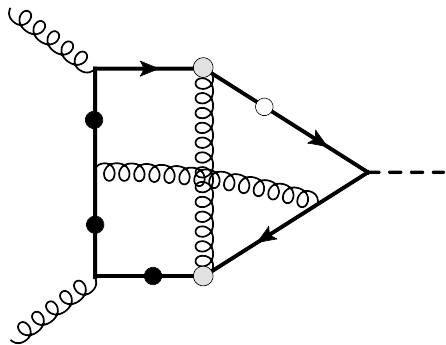
Nonfactorizable contribution

- **Abelian diagram**

- *eikonal gluon/photon coupled to soft quark*



- **Non-Abelian case** $C_F \rightarrow C_F - C_A$



Results

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● Scalar amplitude

$$M_{ggH}^q = Z_g^2 \ln^2 \left(\frac{m_q^2}{m_H^2} \right) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{m_q^2}{m_H^2} \right)^n M_{ggH}^{(n)}, \quad M_{ggH}^{(0)} = g(z)$$

● NNLP

$$M_{ggH}^{(1)} = \left[-4g(z) + \left(\frac{T_F C_F}{45} h(z) - \frac{(C_A - C_F)(C_A - 2C_F)}{9} j(z) \right) x^2 \right]$$

● three loops

large- N_c

$$M_{ggH}^{(1)} = \left[-4 - \frac{2}{3}(C_A - C_F)x + \left(\frac{T_F C_F}{45} - \frac{14}{45}C_F^2 + \frac{23}{45}C_F C_A - \frac{9}{45}C_A^2 \right) x^2 \right]$$

● agrees with num. calc. M.Czakon, M.Niggetiedt, JHEP **2005**, 149 (2020)

Results

● All-order

● factorizable single soft quark: $g(z) = {}_2F_2(1, 1; 3/2, 2; x/2)$

● factorizable triple soft quark

$$h(z) = 6! \int_0^1 d\eta \int_0^{1-\eta} d\xi \int_0^\eta d\eta_2 \int_0^\xi d\xi_2 \int_0^{\eta_2} d\eta_1 \int_0^{\xi_2} d\xi_1 e^{2z(\eta\xi - \eta_2\xi_2 + \eta_1\xi_1)}$$

● nonfactorizable (Abelian)

$$j^A(z) = 72 \int_0^1 d\eta \int_0^{1-\eta} d\xi \int_0^{1-\xi} d\eta_1 \int_0^{1-\eta_1-\xi} d\xi_1 \eta\xi_1 e^{2z\eta(\xi+\xi_1)} \\ \times \left[1 + \frac{e^{-2z\eta\xi} - 1}{2} + \frac{e^{-2z\eta\xi} - 1 + 2z\eta\xi}{4z\eta\xi_1} \right],$$

● $C_F \rightarrow C_F - C_A$ rule is still to be proven beyond three loops

Summary I

- Bottom effect in Higgs boson production in gluon fusion (*NLP-LL-threshold*)

➔ *uncertainty interval reduced to 0.40 pb (factor 2)*

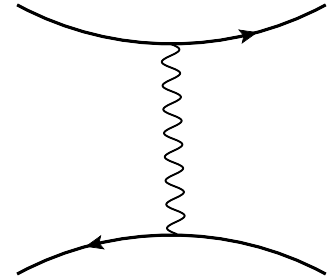
- Power corrections to $gg \rightarrow H$ amplitude

- *first ever NNLP LL result, new effects emerge*
- *full analytic 3-loop, all-order (Abelian, large N_c)*
- *small quark mass expansion parameter $4m_q^2/s$*

Regge Limit of QED

Kinematics:

$$e(p_1^+) + \bar{e}(p_2^-) \rightarrow e(p_3) + \bar{e}(p_4)$$



$$p_i^2 = 0, \quad q = p_3 - p_1, \quad q^2 = t, \quad 2p_1 p_2 = s$$

$$q_\perp \sim t^{1/2}$$

$$q_\pm \sim t/s^{1/2}$$

similar to Coulomb scaling $q^2 \sim q_0$

Small angle scattering:

$$|t/s| \sim \theta^2 \rightarrow 0$$

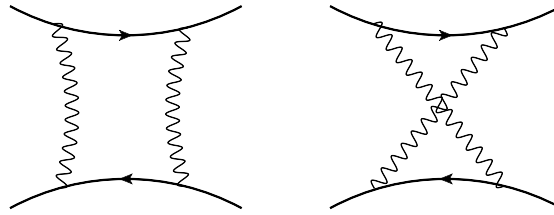
Leading power approximation:

• Glauber photons $q^2 \approx q_\perp^2$

• light-cone gauge currents $j^\mu \approx j^\pm$

Leading power

- One loop



- *eikonal fermion propagators*

$$\frac{1}{\not{p}_{1,2} + \not{l} + i\epsilon} \rightarrow \frac{\gamma^\pm}{2l^\pm + i\epsilon}$$

- *sum of planar and nonplanar*

$$\frac{1}{2l^\pm + i\epsilon} - c.c. = -i\pi\delta(l^\pm)$$

- *Decoupling of light-cone and transversal dynamics*

- *on-shell fermions on the light-cone*

- *Glauber photons in the transversal space* $\int \frac{d^2 l_\perp}{l_\perp^2 (l_\perp - q_\perp)^2}$

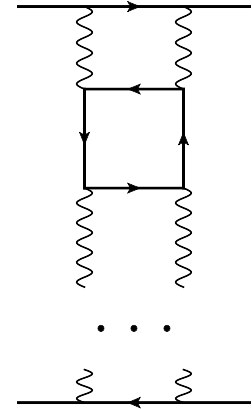
- Exponentiation and Glauber phase

- *all-order amplitude* $e^{i\alpha \ln |t/\lambda^2|} \mathcal{M}_B$

Reggeization

● Light-by-light scattering ladder

- *induced interaction between Glauber photons*
 - *Schrödinger equation in Laplace space*
 - *spectral representation \Leftrightarrow Regge theory*
 - *right-most singularity in the spectrum*
- \rightarrow *high-energy asymptotic behaviour*



● Regge cut contribution

$$e^{\gamma(\alpha) \ln |s/t|} \mathcal{M}_B \quad \text{with} \quad \gamma(\alpha) = \frac{11\pi}{36} \alpha^2$$

\rightarrow $d\sigma \sim s^{2\gamma(\alpha)}$ *cross section enhancement \Leftrightarrow Froissart bound?*

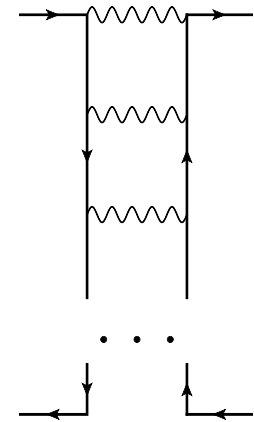
V. Gribov, L. Lipatov, G. Frolov; H. Cheng and T. T. Wu (1970)

Forward annihilation $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$

- Power suppressed amplitude

- *soft fermions, eikonal photons*

- *double logarithmic corrections in $\alpha \ln^2(s/m_\mu^2)$*



- Asymptotic result

$$d\sigma \sim s^{-1+2\gamma(\alpha)}, \quad \gamma(\alpha) = \sqrt{\frac{2\alpha}{\pi}}$$

“square root” of DL

V. G. Gorshkov, V. N. Gribov, L. N. Lipatov, G. V. Frolov (1968)

Power corrections

● Current expansion

$$A^\mu j_\mu = A_- j_+ + \frac{\tilde{F}_{+-}}{4p_+} j_+^5 + \frac{iF_{+-}}{4p_+} j_+ + \mathcal{O}(|t/s|^{3/2})$$

induce local 4-fermion interaction

● *scaling:* $\tilde{F}_{+-} \propto B_{\parallel} \sim q_{\perp} = \mathcal{O}(|t/s|^{1/2})$, $F_{+-} \propto E_{\parallel} \sim q_{\pm} = \mathcal{O}(|t/s|)$

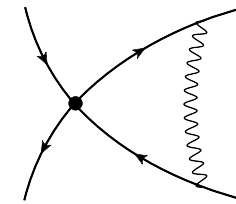
➔ *similar to* $\mathcal{O}(v)$ *Pauli and* $\mathcal{O}(v^2)$ *Darwin interaction in NRQED*

● One-loop

● *log interval* $l_{\perp}^2 / \sqrt{s} < l_- < \sqrt{s}$, $\sqrt{|t|} < l_{\perp} < \sqrt{s}$

● *no planar-nonplanar cancellation*

● *double log vs leading power single log*



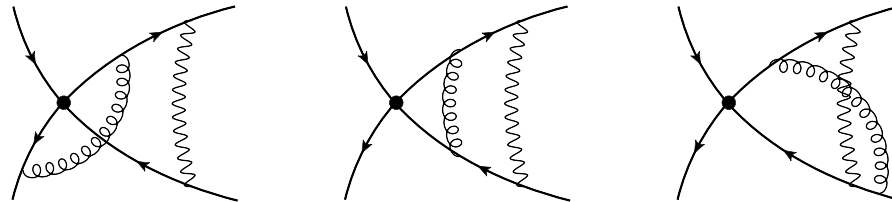
$$z \left| \frac{t}{s} \right| \mathcal{M}_B, \quad z = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \ln^2 \left| \frac{t}{s} \right|$$

Summing up double logs

● Summing up double logarithms

- *additional Glauber photons*
- *sum over vertex permutations*
- ➔ *Glauber phase factorization*

● Remaining "non-factorizable" diagrams:



➔ *“soft” Glauber photons couple to an internal line*

Summing up double logarithms

- Double logarithmic region

$$q_{\perp}^2 < l'_{i\perp}{}^2 < l_{\perp}^2 < s, \quad l_{\perp}^2/\sqrt{s} < l_- < l'_{1-} < \dots < l'_{n-} < \sqrt{s},$$

- Double logarithmic result

$$\mathcal{M}^{LL} = |t/s| z g(2z) \mathcal{M}_B$$

- Integral representation

$$g(z) = 2 \int_0^1 d\xi \int_0^{1-\xi} d\eta e^{2z\eta\xi}$$

Glauber gluon exponent 

- logarithmic variables $\xi = \ln(l_{\perp}^2/s)/\ln|t/s|, \eta = \ln(l_-/\sqrt{s})/\ln|t/s|,$

- Exact formula and asymptotic behavior at $z \rightarrow +\infty$

$$g(z) = {}_2F_2(1, 1; 3/2, 2; z/2), \quad g(z) \sim \left(\frac{2\pi e^z}{z^3}\right)^{1/2}$$

Magic #2

- Regge $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-$ NLP LL

$$\mathcal{M}^{LL} = |t/s| z g(2z) \mathcal{M}_B$$

$$z = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \ln^2 |t/s|$$

- Sudakov $gg \rightarrow H$ NLP LL

$$\mathcal{M}_{gg \rightarrow H}^{LL} \propto g(z) \mathcal{M}_{gg \rightarrow H}^{LO}$$

$$z = (C_A - C_F) \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \ln^2(m_q^2/s)$$

➡ *same function $g(z)$ in both cases!*

Unitarity

- Cross section

$$d\sigma^{LL} \sim s^2(-1 + \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \ln|s/t|)$$

cf. $\gamma(\alpha)$

- for $\ln|s/t| \gg 1/\alpha$ becomes dominant

- breakdown of small-angle expansion

- perturbative bound on energy $|s/t| \approx e^{2\pi/\alpha}$

- Unitarity problem does not appear below the bound!

Summary II

- Regge limit at NLP in QED
 - *double logs v.s. leading power single logs*
 - *breakdown of small angle expansion*
 - *new scenario of unitarity restoration*
- *amazing relations between amplitudes and limits*