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Motivations

Vector boson production is a benchmark process in hadron collider physics.

- Constraints of parton densities (PDFs).
- α_{S} determination \rightarrow see S. Camarda talk.
- *W*-boson mass (M_W) and electroweak (EW) parameters determination.
- Beyond the Standard Model analyses.
- Perturbative QCD studies.

The above reasons and precise experimental data demands for accurate theoretical predictions \Rightarrow computation of higher-order QCD corrections.



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DYTurbo results. Resummed (left) and matched (right) NLL, NNLL and N³LL bands for $Z/\gamma^* q_T$ spectrum. Lower panel: ratio with respect to the N³LL central value.

Our results recently confirmed by [Chen et al.('22)].

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Z qT spectrum at the LHC. NNLL+NNLO QCD results combined with the LL (red dashed) and NLL+NLO (blue solid) QED effects together with the corresponding QED uncertainty bands. Ratio of the (normalized) W and $Z q_T$ distrubution: NNLL+NNLO QCD results (black) combined with LL QED and NLL+NLO EW.

Conclusions

- To fully exploit the information contained in the experimental data, and to increase the LHC discovery power, precise theoretical predictions are necessary ⇒ computation of higher-order pQCD corrections.
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Fiducial power corrections up to N³LO



- Flip sign of the FPC with order. Alternating-sign "unphysical" factorial growth of the FO expansion due to symmetric cuts [Salam,Slade('21)].
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LHC measurements for DY process sensitive to pure QED and mixed QCD-QED effects.



Combining QED and QCD q_T resummation [Cieri,G.F.,Sborlini('18)]

We start considering QED contributions to the q_T spectrum in the case of colourless and **neutral** high mass systems, e.g. on-shell Z boson production

$$h_1 + h_2 \rightarrow Z^0 + X$$

In the impact parameter and Mellin spaces resummed partonic cross section reads:

 $\mathcal{W}_{N}(b,M) = \hat{\sigma}^{(0)} \mathcal{H}'_{N}(\alpha_{5},\alpha) \times \exp\left\{\mathcal{G}'_{N}(\alpha_{5},\alpha,L)\right\}$

$$\mathcal{G}'(\alpha_{5},\alpha,L) = \mathcal{G}(\alpha_{5},L) + Lg'^{(1)}(\alpha L) + g'^{(2)}(\alpha L) + \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^{n-2} g'^{(n)}(\alpha L)$$

+
$$g'^{(1,1)}(\alpha_{\mathsf{S}}\mathsf{L},\alpha\mathsf{L})$$
 + $\sum_{\substack{n,m=1\\n+m\neq 2}}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\alpha_{\mathsf{S}}}{\pi}\right)^{n-1} \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^{m-1} g_{\mathsf{N}}'^{(n,m)}(\alpha_{\mathsf{S}}\mathsf{L},\alpha\mathsf{L})$

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LL QED (
$$\sim \alpha^n L^{n+1}$$
): $g'^{(1)}$; NLL QED ($\sim \alpha^n L^n$): $g'^{(2)}$, $\mathcal{H}'^{(1)}$;
LL mixed QCD-QED ($\sim \alpha_s^n \alpha^n L^{2n}$): $g'^{(1,1)}$;

The LL and NLL QED functions $g'^{(1)}$ and $g'^{(2)}$ has the same functional form of the QCD ones:

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{g}^{\prime(1)}(\alpha L) &= \frac{A_{q}^{\prime(1)}}{\beta_{0}^{\prime}} \frac{\lambda^{\prime} + \ln(1 - \lambda^{\prime})}{\lambda^{\prime}} \ , \\ \mathbf{g}_{N}^{\prime(2)}(\alpha L) &= \frac{\widetilde{B}_{q,N}^{\prime(1)}}{\beta_{0}^{\prime}} \ln(1 - \lambda^{\prime}) - \frac{A_{q}^{\prime(2)}}{\beta_{0}^{\prime 2}} \left(\frac{\lambda^{\prime}}{1 - \lambda^{\prime}} + \ln(1 - \lambda^{\prime})\right) \\ &+ \frac{A_{q}^{\prime(1)}\beta_{1}^{\prime}}{\beta_{0}^{\prime 3}} \left(\frac{1}{2}\ln^{2}(1 - \lambda^{\prime}) + \frac{\ln(1 - \lambda^{\prime})}{1 - \lambda^{\prime}} + \frac{\lambda^{\prime}}{1 - \lambda^{\prime}}\right) \ , \end{split}$$

the novel LL mixed QCD-QED function reads:

$$g'^{(1,1)}(\alpha_{S}L,\alpha L) = \frac{A_{q}^{(1)}\beta_{0,1}}{\beta_{0}^{2}\beta_{0}'} h(\lambda,\lambda') + \frac{A_{q}'^{(1)}\beta_{0,1}'}{\beta_{0}'^{2}\beta_{0}} h(\lambda',\lambda) ,$$

$$\begin{split} \mathsf{h}(\lambda,\lambda') &= -\frac{\lambda'}{\lambda-\lambda'} \ln(1-\lambda) + \ln(1-\lambda') \left[\frac{\lambda(1-\lambda')}{(1-\lambda)(\lambda-\lambda')} + \ln\left(\frac{-\lambda'(1-\lambda)}{\lambda-\lambda'}\right) \right] \\ &- \operatorname{Li}_2\left(\frac{\lambda}{\lambda-\lambda'}\right) + \operatorname{Li}_2\left(\frac{\lambda(1-\lambda')}{\lambda-\lambda'}\right), \end{split}$$

where $\lambda = \frac{1}{\pi}\beta_0 \alpha_S L$, $\lambda' = \frac{1}{\pi}\beta'_0 \alpha L$, and β_0 , β'_0 , β'_1 , $\beta_{0,1}$, $\beta'_{0,1}$ are the coefficients of the QCD and QED β functions.

Abelianization procedure

$$\frac{d\ln\alpha_{\mathcal{S}}(\mu^2)}{d\ln\mu^2} = \beta(\alpha_{\mathcal{S}}(\mu^2), \alpha(\mu^2)) = -\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \beta_n \left(\frac{\alpha_{\mathcal{S}}}{\pi}\right)^{n+1} - \sum_{n,m+1=0}^{\infty} \beta_{n,m} \left(\frac{\alpha_{\mathcal{S}}}{\pi}\right)^{n+1} \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^m,$$

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Novel QED coefficients obtained through an Abelianization algorithm

$$A_q^{\prime(1)} = e_q^2 \,, \qquad A_q^{\prime(2)} = - {5 \over 9} \, e_q^2 \, N^{(2)} \qquad \widetilde{B}_{q,N}^{\prime(1)} = B_q^{\prime(1)} + 2 \gamma_{qq,N}^{\prime(1)} \,,$$

with
$$B_q^{\prime(1)} = -\frac{3}{2} e_q^2$$
, $N^{(n)} = N_c \sum_{q=1}^{n_f} e_q^n + \sum_{l=1}^{n_l} e_l^n$,

$$\gamma_{qq,N}^{\prime(1)} = e_q^2 \left(\frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{2N(N+1)} - \gamma_E - \psi_0(N+1)\right), \quad \gamma_{q\gamma,N}^{\prime(1)} = \frac{3}{2} e_q^2 \frac{N^2 + N + 2}{N(N+1)(N+2)}.$$

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Resummed result *matched* with corresponding finite $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$ term.

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Sudakov resummation feasible when: dynamics AND kinematics factorize \Rightarrow exponentiation.

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- No need for NP models: Landau singularity of α_S regularized using a *Minimal Prescription* without power-suppressed corrections [Laenen et al.('00)], [Catani et al.('96)].
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