

The q_T and $\Delta\Phi_{t\bar{t}}$ spectra in top-antitop hadroproduction at LHC at NNLL+NNLO

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qTRes@Drell-Yan and Higgs production

1. Leading power factorization [Collins:1984kg, Catani:2000vq, Bozzi:2005wk, Bozzi:2007pn, Ebert:2016gcn, Monni:2016ktx, Bizon:2017rah, GarciaEchevarria:2011rb, Becher:2011dz, Chiu:2011qc, Chiu:2012ir, Li:2016axz, Li:2016ctv, Becher:2010tm]

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\sigma}_{\text{DY}}(\vec{b}_T) &= \int d^2\vec{q}_{T,\ell\bar{\ell}} \exp\left(-i\vec{b}_T \cdot \vec{q}_{T,\ell\bar{\ell}}\right) \frac{d\sigma_{\text{DY}}}{d\vec{q}_{T,\ell\bar{\ell}}} \\ &= \sum_{m=2, n=1} c_{m,n}^{\text{DY}} \alpha_s^m L_T^n + \sum_{m=2} \alpha_s^m d_m^{\text{DY}}.\end{aligned}$$

Here $L_T = \ln(\vec{b}_T^2 Q^2)$.

2. Fourier transformation

$$L_T^m \rightarrow \frac{\ln^{m-1}(q_{T,\ell\bar{\ell}})}{q_{T,\ell\bar{\ell}}} + \frac{\ln^{m-2}(q_{T,\ell\bar{\ell}})}{q_{T,\ell\bar{\ell}}} + \frac{\ln^{m-3}(q_{T,\ell\bar{\ell}})}{q_{T,\ell\bar{\ell}}} + \dots$$

Exponentiating $L_T \rightarrow$ Resumming $\ln^m(q_{T,\ell\bar{\ell}})/q_{T,\ell\bar{\ell}}$.

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- Methodologies

dQCD: [Catani:1988vd,Davies:1984hs,Collins&Soper&Sterman1984,Catani:2000vq,Bozzi:2005wk...]

Momentum space: [Monni:2016ktx,Bizon:2017rah,Bizon:2019zgf,Bizon:2018foh,Ebert:2016gcn...]

SCET: [Becher:2010tm,Chiu:2011qc,Chiu:2012ir,Li:2016axz...].

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- Latest logarithmic accuracy at leading power:

N3LL' [Re:2021con,Camarda:2021ict,Ju:2021lah...]

N4LL [Camarda:2023dqn,Neumann:2022lft,Moos:2023yfa,Piloneta:2024aac...]

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- Recent developments at next-to-leading power:

Leptonic tensor: [Camarda:2021jsw,Ebert:2020dfc...]

Hadronic tensor:

[Ebert:2019zkb,Oleari:2020wvt,Cieri:2019tfv,Inglis-Whalen:2020rpi,Inglis-Whalen:2021bea,Ferrera:2023vsw...]

qTRes@The process $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} + X$

1. Leading power factorization [Zhu:2012ts, Li:2013mia, Catani:2014qha, Catani:2017tuc, Catani:2018mei]

$$\tilde{\sigma}_{t\bar{t}}(\vec{b}_T) = \sum_{m=2, n=1} \alpha_s^m \left[c_{m,n}^{t\bar{t}} + \tilde{c}_{m,n}^{t\bar{t}}(\phi_b) \right] L_T^n + \sum_{m=2} \alpha_s^m \left[d_m^{t\bar{t}} + \tilde{d}_m^{t\bar{t}}(\phi_b) \right],$$

where $L_T = \ln(\vec{b}_T^2 Q^2)$. Both L_T and ϕ_b are associated with the asymptotic terms

2. Fourier transformation [Catani:2014qha, Catani:2017tuc]

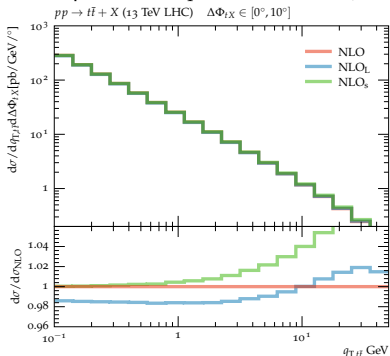
$$L_T^m \rightarrow \frac{\ln^{m-1}(q_{T,t\bar{t}})}{q_{T,t\bar{t}}} + \frac{\ln^{m-2}(q_{T,t\bar{t}})}{q_{T,t\bar{t}}} + \frac{\ln^{m-3}(q_{T,t\bar{t}})}{q_{T,t\bar{t}}} + \dots$$

$$\tilde{d}_m^{t\bar{t}}(\phi_b) \rightarrow \frac{1}{q_{T,t\bar{t}}}$$

$$\tilde{c}_{m,n}^{t\bar{t}}(\phi_b) L_T^m \rightarrow \frac{\ln^m(q_{T,t\bar{t}})}{q_{T,t\bar{t}}} + \frac{\ln^{m-1}(q_{T,t\bar{t}})}{q_{T,t\bar{t}}} + \frac{\ln^{m-2}(q_{T,t\bar{t}})}{q_{T,t\bar{t}}} + \dots$$

qTRes@The process $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} + X$

The spectrum of q_T in slice of $\Delta\Phi_{tX}$



- 1) $\Delta\Phi_{tX}$: the azimuthal separation between t and the emitted partons
- 2) NLO_L : including only L_T
- 3) NLO_s : comprising both L_T and ϕ_b dependent terms
- 4) NLO : full theory from SHERPA

The discrepancies between NLO_s and NLO_L reflect the influences from the ϕ_b dependences.

By comparison to the QCD outputs, the L_T contribution fails to cover the leading asymptotic behaviour.

Improving the fixed-order ingredients for $d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}/d\vec{q}_{T,t\bar{t}}$

[Nadolsky:2007ba,Catani:2010pd,Catani:2014qha,Catani:2017tuc]

1. $\tilde{c}_{m,n}^{t\bar{t}}(\phi_b)$ and $\tilde{d}_m^{t\bar{t}}(\phi_b) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(L_T)$
2. Matching accuracy $N^k \text{LL}' + N^k \text{LO}$
3. Azimuthal harmonics @ NLL' [Catani:2017tuc]

Observables insensitive to azimuthal asymmetric divergences

[Zhu:2012ts,Li:2013mia,Catani:2018mei]

1. Azimuthally averaged spectra $d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}/dq_{T,t\bar{t}}$

[Zhu:2012ts,Li:2013mia,Catani:2018mei,Boncianni:2015sha,Catani:2019iny,Catani:2019hip,Catani:2021cbl]

$$\int d\phi_b \tilde{\sigma}_{t\bar{t}}(\vec{b}_T) \rightarrow \sum_{m=2,n=1} \alpha_s^m [c_{m,n}^{t\bar{t}}] L_T^n + \sum_{m=2} \alpha_s^m [d_m^{t\bar{t}}]$$

2. Projection of \vec{q}_T onto a reference vector $d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}/dq_\tau$

[Ju:2022wia]

Projected transverse momentum distributions $d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}/dq_\tau$

A Generic circumstance:

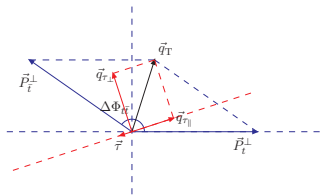
$$\vec{\tau}\text{-2D unit reference vector: } q_\tau = |\vec{q}_{t\bar{t},T} \cdot \vec{\tau}|$$

$$\frac{d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}}{dq_\tau}$$

B Numeric implementations:

$$q_\tau = q_{T,\text{out}}, \quad \text{if } \vec{\tau} = \pm \vec{n} \times \frac{\vec{P}_t^\perp}{|\vec{P}_t^\perp|};$$

$$q_\tau = q_{T,\text{in}}, \quad \text{if } \vec{\tau} = \pm \frac{\vec{P}_t^\perp}{|\vec{P}_t^\perp|},$$



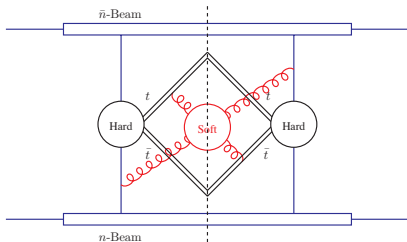
B Azimuthal separation between top and antitop quarks:

$$\Delta\Phi_{t\bar{t}} \equiv \cos^{-1} \left[\frac{\vec{P}_t^\perp \cdot \vec{P}_{\bar{t}}^\perp}{|\vec{P}_t^\perp| |\vec{P}_{\bar{t}}^\perp|} \right] \sim \pi - \frac{q_{T,\text{out}}}{|\vec{P}_t^\perp|} + \mathcal{O}(\lambda_\tau^2).$$

Factorization in SCET_{II}+HQET

$$\frac{d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}}{dq_\tau} \sim \sum_{\kappa} \int db_\tau \cos(q_\tau b_\tau) \mathcal{B}_n^{[\kappa]}(\eta_n, b_\tau, \mu, \nu) \mathcal{B}_{\bar{n}}^{[\kappa]}(\eta_{\bar{n}}, b_\tau, \mu, \nu) \sum_{\alpha, \beta} \left\{ \mathcal{H}_{\alpha\beta}^{[\kappa]}(M_{t\bar{t}}, \beta_{t\bar{t}}, x_t, \mu) \times \mathcal{S}_{[\kappa]}^{\alpha\beta}(b_\tau \vec{\tau}, \mu, \nu) \right\},$$

where $b_\tau \sim 1/q_\tau \sim \mathcal{O}(\lambda_\tau^{-1})$



1) Hard function $\mathcal{H}_{\alpha\beta}^{[\kappa]}$: Recola@NLO

[Actis:2012qn, Actis:2016mpe].

2) Beam function $\mathcal{B}_n^{[\kappa]}$:

[Luo:2020epw, Luo:2019szz, Luo:2019bmw, Gutierrez-

Reyes:2019rug, Catani:2022sgr];

3) Soft Function:

[Zhu:2012ts, Li:2013mia, Angeles-

Martinez:2018mqh, Catani:2014qha, Catani:2021cbl];

Azimuthally resolved NLO in exp rapidity regulator \rightarrow [This work](#);

Azimuthally resolved soft function with the exponential rapidity regulator

Exponential regulator [Li:2016axz] to curb the rap div

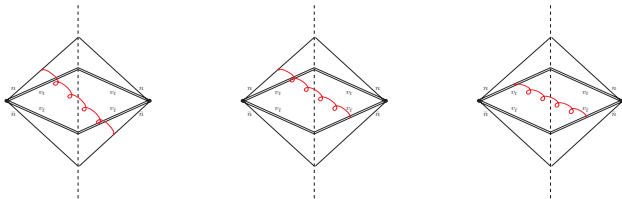
$$\mathcal{S}_{[\kappa]}^{\alpha\beta}(\vec{b}_T, \mu, \nu) \equiv \sum_{m=0} \left[\frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{4\pi} \right]^m \mathcal{S}_{[\kappa]}^{\alpha\beta, (m)}(\vec{b}_T, \mu, \nu), \quad (1)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{S}_{[\kappa]}^{\alpha\beta, (0)}(\vec{b}_T, \mu, \nu) &= \delta_{\alpha\beta}, \\ \mathcal{S}_{[\kappa]}^{\alpha\beta, (1)}(\vec{b}_T, \mu, \nu) &= \sum_{a,b} \langle c_{\kappa}^{\alpha} | \mathbf{T}_a \cdot \mathbf{T}_b | c_{\kappa}^{\beta} \rangle \mathcal{I}_{ab}(\vec{b}_T, \mu, \nu) \end{aligned}$$

Mellin-Barnes (MB)

transformation [Smirnov:1999gc, Tausk:1999vh] & MBtools [Czakon:2005rk, Ochman:2015fho, Czakon:Hepforge]



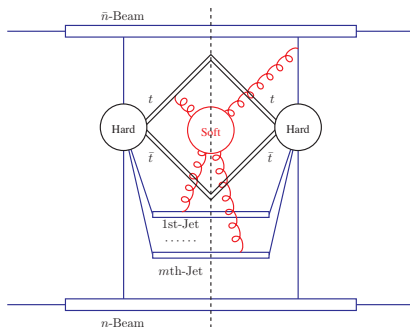
(a) Light-light correlation (b) Light-heavy correlation (c) heavy-heavy correlation

Power suppression for the energetic transverse recoil

$$\frac{d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}}{dq_\tau} \sim \sum_{\kappa} \int dq_{\tau\perp} dy_k \mathcal{B}_n(\eta'_n, 0, \mu, \nu) \mathcal{B}_{\bar{n}}(\eta'_{\bar{n}}, 0, \mu, \nu) \mathcal{J}_{n_J}^{[g]}(\vec{k}_T, y_k) \quad (2)$$

$$\times \sum_{\alpha, \beta} \left\{ \mathcal{H}_{\alpha\beta, [g_{n_J}]}^{[q_n^i \bar{q}_{\bar{n}}^j]}(\vec{P}_t, \vec{k}_T, Y_{t\bar{t}}, y_k, \mu) \mathcal{S}_{[q_n \bar{q}_{\bar{n}}]}^{\alpha\beta, [g_{n_J}]}(\vec{0}, \mu, \nu) \right\} + \dots,$$

where $q_{\tau\perp} \sim k_{\tau\perp} \sim \mathcal{O}(1) \gg q_{\tau\parallel} \sim \mathcal{O}(\lambda_\tau)$



$d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}/dq_\tau$ is free of azimuthally asymmetric divergence !!

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}}{dM_{t\bar{t}}^2 d^2\vec{P}_t^\perp dY_{t\bar{t}} dq_\tau} &\sim \sum_{m,n} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} db_{\tau\parallel} \cos(b_{\tau\parallel} q_\tau) L_M^n \left\{ s_{m,n}(\beta_{t\bar{t}}, x_t, Y_{t\bar{t}}) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + a_{m,n}(\text{sign}[b_{\tau\parallel}], \beta_{t\bar{t}}, x_t, Y_{t\bar{t}}) \right\} \\ &= \sum_{m,n} \left\{ 2 s_{m,n}(\beta_{t\bar{t}}, x_t, Y_{t\bar{t}}) + a_{m,n}(+1, \beta_{t\bar{t}}, x_t, Y_{t\bar{t}}) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + a_{m,n}(-1, \beta_{t\bar{t}}, x_t, Y_{t\bar{t}}) \right\} \mathcal{F}_\tau^{(n)}(q_\tau, M_{t\bar{t}}), \end{aligned}$$

where the function $\mathcal{F}_\tau^{(n)}$ is defined as,

$$\mathcal{F}_\tau^{(n)}(q_\tau, M_{t\bar{t}}) = \int_0^\infty db_{\tau\parallel} \cos(b_{\tau\parallel} q_\tau) L_M^n.$$

and

$$\mathcal{F}_\tau^{(0)}(q_\tau, M_{t\bar{t}}) = 0, \quad \mathcal{F}_\tau^{(1)}(q_\tau, M_{t\bar{t}}) = -\frac{\pi}{q_\tau}, \quad \mathcal{F}_\tau^{(2)}(q_\tau, M_{t\bar{t}}) = -\frac{2\pi}{q_\tau} \ln \left[\frac{M_{t\bar{t}}^2}{4q_\tau^2} \right], \dots$$

Logarithmic exponentiations with RGE and RaGE

[Chiu:2011qc, Chiu:2012ir, Li:2016axz, Li:2016ctv]

- A Renormalisation group equations (RGE) \rightarrow
exponentiate the visuality-div-associated logs
- B Rapidity renormalisation group equations (RaGE) \rightarrow
exponentiate the rapidity-div-associated logs

Master formula for resummed spectra

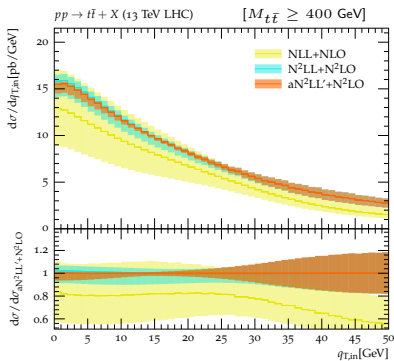
$$\frac{d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\text{res}}}{dM_{t\bar{t}}^2 d^2\vec{P}_t^\perp dY_{t\bar{t}} dq_\tau} \sim \sum_{\text{sign}[x_t], \kappa} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} db_{\tau\parallel} \cos(b_{\tau\parallel} q_\tau) \tilde{\Sigma}_{t\bar{t}}^{\text{res}, [\kappa]}(b_{\tau\parallel} \vec{\tau}, M_{t\bar{t}}, \beta_{t\bar{t}}, x_t, Y_{t\bar{t}})$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\Sigma}_{t\bar{t}}^{\text{res}, [\kappa]}(\vec{b}_T, M_{t\bar{t}}, \beta_{t\bar{t}}, x_t, Y_{t\bar{t}}) &\sim \sum_{\{\alpha, \beta, h, h'\}} \mathcal{D}_{[\kappa]}^{\text{res}}(b_T, M_{t\bar{t}}, \mu_h, \mu_b, \mu_s, \nu_b, \nu_s) \\ &\times \left\{ \mathcal{S}_{[\kappa]}^{\alpha_1 \beta_1}(\vec{b}_T, \mu_s, \nu_s) \otimes \mathcal{B}_{n, h'_n h_n}^{[\kappa]}(\eta_n, \vec{b}_T, \mu_b, \nu_b) \otimes \mathcal{B}_{\bar{n}, h'_n h_{\bar{n}}}^{[\kappa]}(\eta_{\bar{n}}, \vec{b}_T, \mu_b, \nu_b) \right. \\ &\otimes \left[\mathcal{V}_{\alpha_1 \alpha_2}^{[\kappa]}(\beta_{t\bar{t}}, x_t, \mu_s, \mu_h) \right]^* \otimes \mathcal{V}_{\beta_1 \beta_2}^{[\kappa]}(\beta_{t\bar{t}}, x_t, \mu_s, \mu_h) \\ &\left. \otimes \mathcal{H}_{\alpha_2 \beta_2; h'_n h_{\bar{n}}; h'_n h_n}^{[\kappa]}(M_{t\bar{t}}, \beta_{t\bar{t}}, x_t, \mu_h) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Resummation in the slice $M_{t\bar{t}} \geq 400$ GeV

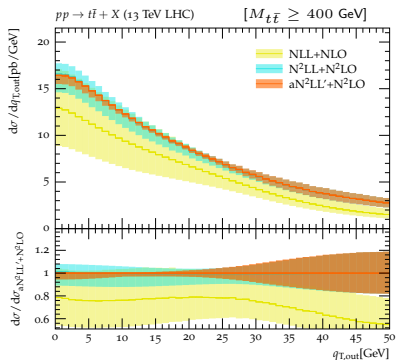
$$\vec{\tau} = \pm \frac{\vec{P}_t^\perp}{|\vec{P}_t^\perp|}, \quad q_\tau = q_{T,\text{in}}$$



- PDG Inputs and LHAPDFs (NNPDF31_nnlo_as_0118)
- FO:
 - Event-Gen: SHERPA+Recola
 - Analysis: Rivet
- Res: Cuba+Recola+Diag
- Asymptotic regime
 - The central values are close to each other.
 - With the accuracy growing, the uncertainties decrease considerably.
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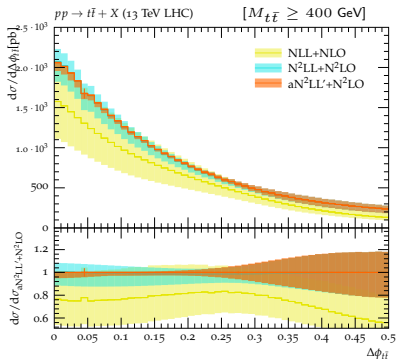
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$$\Delta\phi_{t\bar{t}} = \pi - \Delta\Phi_{t\bar{t}} \sim \frac{q_{T,\text{out}}}{|\vec{P}_t^\perp|} + \mathcal{O}(\lambda_\tau^2).$$



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Prescriptions and extrapolation

Single differential distribution:

$$\frac{d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}}{d\Delta\phi_{t\bar{t}}} \sim \int dM_{t\bar{t}}^2 d^2\vec{P}_t^\perp dY_{t\bar{t}} \frac{d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\text{SCET+HQET}}}{dM_{t\bar{t}}^2 d^2\vec{P}_t^\perp dY_{t\bar{t}} d\Delta\phi_{t\bar{t}}}$$

where

$$\frac{d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\text{SCET+HQET}}}{dM_{t\bar{t}}^2 d^2\vec{P}_t^\perp dY_{t\bar{t}} d\Delta\phi_{t\bar{t}}} \sim \mathcal{B}_n \otimes \mathcal{B}_{\bar{n}} \otimes \text{Tr} \left[\mathcal{V}^\dagger S \mathcal{V} \mathcal{H} \right]$$

In the threshold limit $\beta_{t\bar{t}} \equiv \sqrt{1 - 4m_t^2/M_{t\bar{t}}^2} \rightarrow 0$

$$\text{NLL} : \mathcal{B}_n \sim \mathcal{B}_{\bar{n}} \sim \mathcal{V} \sim \mathcal{H} \sim S \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$$

$$\text{NNLL} : \mathcal{B}_n \sim \mathcal{B}_{\bar{n}} \sim S \sim \mathcal{O}(1), \quad \underbrace{\mathcal{V} \sim \mathcal{O}(\beta_{t\bar{t}}^{-2}), \quad \mathcal{H} \sim \mathcal{O}(\beta_{t\bar{t}}^{-1})}_{\text{Coulomb Interaction}}$$

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An idea resolution for single differential distribution $d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\text{res}}/d\Delta\phi_{t\bar{t}}$:

$$\frac{d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\text{res}}}{d\Delta\phi_{t\bar{t}}} \sim \int dM_{t\bar{t}}^2 \left\{ \frac{d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\text{SCET+pNRQCD}}}{dM_{t\bar{t}}^2 d\Delta\phi_{t\bar{t}}} + \left\langle \frac{d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\text{SCET+HQET}}}{dM_{t\bar{t}}^2 d\Delta\phi_{t\bar{t}}} \right\rangle + \left\langle \frac{d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\text{FO}}}{dM_{t\bar{t}}^2 d\Delta\phi_{t\bar{t}}} \right\rangle \right\}$$

where

- $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\text{SCET+pNRQCD}}$ refers to the combined resummation of Coulomb/soft/collinear correction.
- $\langle \sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\text{SCET+HQET}} \rangle$ compensates power corrections in $\beta_{t\bar{t}}$ for the non-relativistic limit.
- $\langle \sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\text{FO}} \rangle$ makes up power corrections in small q_τ expansion

Challenges on $d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\text{SCET+pNRQCD}}/dq_\tau$ at NNLL:

- Mixed contributions: $\alpha_s^2 L \sim \underbrace{(\alpha_s/\beta_{t\bar{t}})}_{\text{Coulomb vertex}} \otimes \underbrace{(\alpha_s\beta_{t\bar{t}})}_{\text{NLP@NLO}}$
- NLP vertices from SCET
[\[Bauer:2001yt,Bauer:2001ct,Bauer:2000yr,Bauer:2000ew,Bauer:2002nz\]](#)
[\[Beneke:2002ph,Beneke:2002ni,Bauer:2002aj,Lange:2003pk,Beneke:2003pa\]](#)
- NLP vertices from pNRQCD
[\[Pineda:1997bj,Brambilla:1999x,Beneke:1999zr,Beneke:1999qg,Kniehl:2002br\]](#)
- NLP corrections from zero-bin subtraction
 Colorless-particles: [\[Inglis-Whalen:2021bea,Ferrera:2023vsw\]](#)
 Colorful-particles: ???

Prescriptions and extrapolation

The single differential distribution $\frac{d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}}{d\Delta\phi_{t\bar{t}}}$ at NNLL:

$$\frac{d^3\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\text{res}}}{d\beta_{t\bar{t}}dY_{t\bar{t}}d\Delta\phi_{t\bar{t}}} \xrightarrow{\beta_{t\bar{t}} \rightarrow 0} \underbrace{\beta_{t\bar{t}}^3}_{\text{kin}} \otimes \underbrace{\left\{ \mathcal{O}(\beta_{t\bar{t}}^{-1}) + \dots \right\}}_{\mathcal{H}_{\alpha, \{h\}}^{N^2\text{LL}}} \otimes \underbrace{\left\{ \mathcal{O}(\beta_{t\bar{t}}^{-4}) + \dots \right\}}_{(\mathbf{V}_h^{[\kappa]})^\dagger \mathbf{V}_h^{[\kappa]}} \otimes \dots$$

$$\sim \underbrace{\mathcal{O}(\beta_{t\bar{t}}^{-2})}_{N^2\text{LL}} + \dots$$

Prescriptions for NNLL resummation

- D-prescriptions: Further decomposition of \mathbf{V} and postponing threshold enhanced term to $N^3\text{LL}$ and beyond. [[Kulesza:2017ukk](#), [Alioli:2021ggd](#), [Zhu:2012ts](#), [Li:2013mia](#), [Ahrens:2010zv](#)]

$$\left. \frac{d^3\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\text{res}}}{d\beta_{t\bar{t}}dY_{t\bar{t}}d\Delta\phi_{t\bar{t}}} \right|_{\text{NNLL}_D} \xrightarrow{\beta_{t\bar{t}} \rightarrow 0} \mathcal{O}(\beta_{t\bar{t}}^2),$$

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$$\left. \frac{d^3\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\text{res}}}{d\beta_{t\bar{t}}dY_{t\bar{t}}d\Delta\phi_{t\bar{t}}} \right|_{\text{NNLL}_R} \xrightarrow{\beta_{t\bar{t}} \rightarrow 0} \mathcal{O}(\beta_{t\bar{t}}),$$

Prescriptions and extrapolation

Straightforward generalization to single differential distribution $\frac{d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}}{dq_T}$ at NNLL:

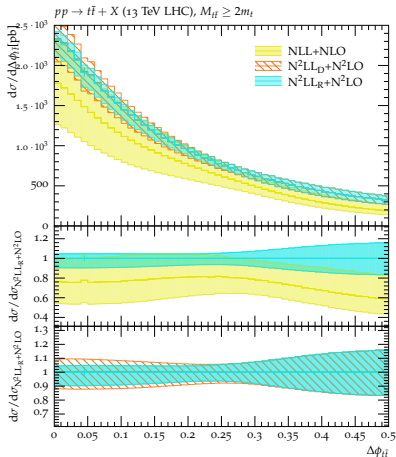
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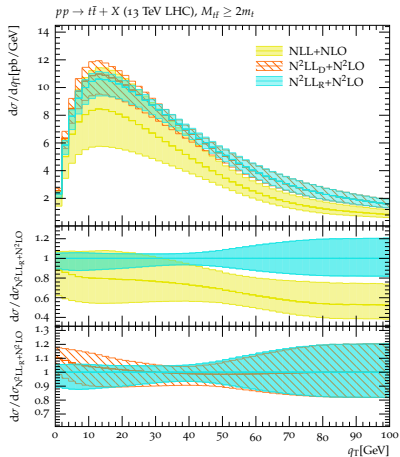
$$\left. \frac{d^3\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\text{res}}}{d\beta_{t\bar{t}}dY_{t\bar{t}}dq_T} \right|_{\text{NNLL}_R} \xrightarrow{\beta_{t\bar{t}} \rightarrow 0} \mathcal{O}(\beta_{t\bar{t}}^0),$$

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Upshot

- We propose the projected transverse momentum for the top-antitop hadroproduction, offering alternative choices to circumvent the azimuthal asymmetric divergences.
- In the context of SCET_{II}+HQET, we derive the leading power factorization formula of the q_T spectra and in turn evaluate $d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}/d\Delta\phi_{t\bar{t}}$ for the region $M_{t\bar{t}} \geq 400$ GeV.
- With the help of D- and R- prescriptions, we extrapolate the SCET_{II}+HQET based resummation to the whole phase space, thereby evaluating the single differential distributions $d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}/d\Delta\phi_{t\bar{t}}$ and $d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}/dq_T$.
- Comparing the results from D- and R-prescriptions, we deliver a quantitative assessment on the theoretical ambiguity due to the threshold divergences, finding that $d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}/d\Delta\phi_{t\bar{t}}$ presents much less scheme-dependences than $d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}/dq_T$.

Thank you for your attention!