

# Mixed QCD–electroweak $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s \alpha)$ corrections to Drell–Yan processes in the resonance region

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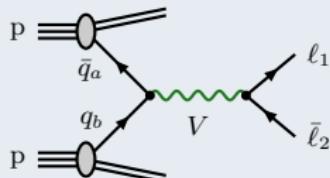
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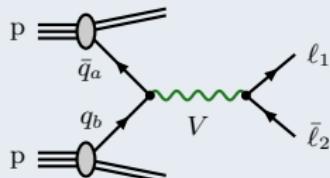
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- ▶ **Tevatron:** (most precise measurement)

$$M_W = 80.387 \pm 0.016 \text{ GeV}$$

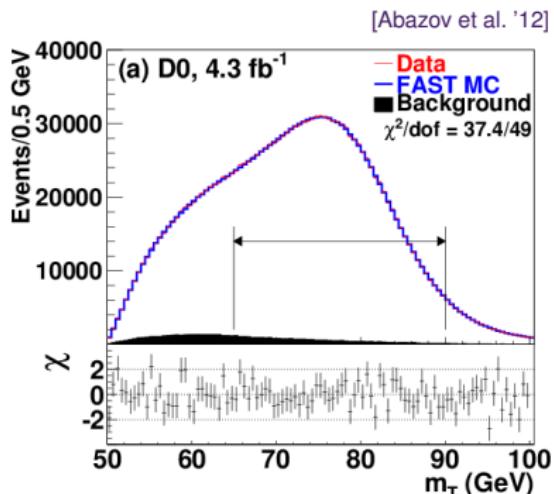
- ▶ **LHC:** aimed precision of

$$\Delta M_W \lesssim 7 \text{ MeV}$$

[Besson et al. '08] [Baak et al. '13]

- ▶ fits to kinematic distributions

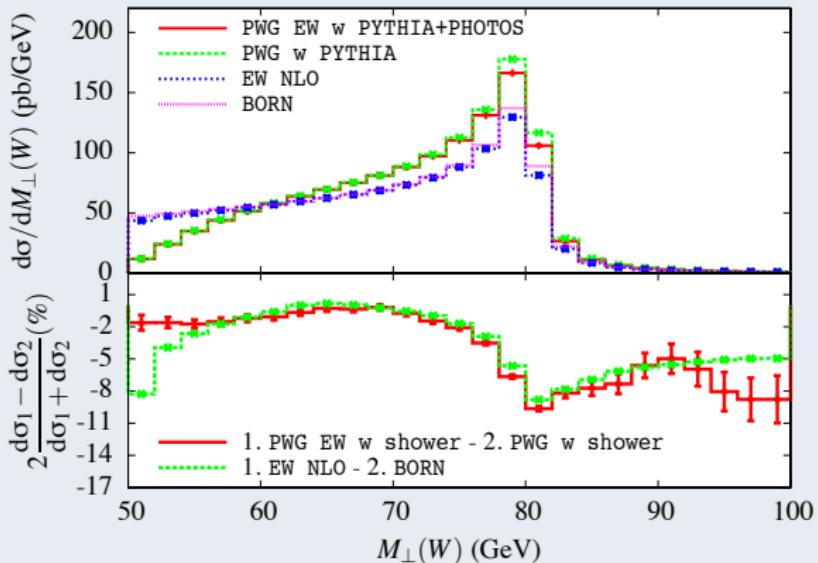
$$M_{T,\nu\ell} \in [65, 90] \text{ GeV}$$



# Motivation: $M_W$ measurement

Largest missing piece: **Mixed QCD  $\times$  EW corrections**

[Barzè, et al. '12]



— NLO ( QCD + EW )  $\otimes$  ( QCD + QED ) PS  
v.s. NLO ( QCD )  $\otimes$  ( QCD ) PS

- - - NLO ( EW )  
v.s. LO

} estimate of missing  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s \alpha)$  corrections  
**Difference  $\sim$  %-level!**

# Theoretical Status

<b>QCD NNLO</b>	$\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$	.....	[Hamberg et al. '91 / Harlander, Kilgore '02]
		(differential)	[Anastasiou et al. '04] [Melnikov, Petriello '06] [Catani et al. '09]
resummation	...	[Balazs, Yuan '97] [Bozzi et al. '10] [Becher et al. '11] [Banfi et al. '12] [Guzzi et al. '13]	
PS matching	.....	[Frixione Webber '06] [Alioli et al. '08] [Hamilton, Richardson, Tully '08]	
		(matching@NNLO)	[Höche, Li, Prestel '14] [Karlberg, Re, Zanderighi '14]
<b>EW NLO</b>	$\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$		
W	.....	[Dittmaier, Krämer '02] [Baur, Wackerlo '04] [Carloni Calame et al. '06] [Arbuzov et al. '06]	
Z	.....	[Baur et al. '02] [Carloni Calame, Montagna, Nicrosini, Vicini '07] [Dittmaier, Huber '10]	
multi-photon radiation	.....	[Baur, Stelzer '00] [Placzek, Jadach '03] [Calame et al. '04]	
+ much more...			

## Approaches to Combination

- Additive/multiplicative combinations .... [Cao, Yuan '04] [Li, Petriello '12] [Richardson et al. '12]
- NLO (EW+QCD) + PS matching .....
- [Bernaciak, Wackerlo '12] [Barzè et al. '12, '13]

## Steps towards NNLO QCD×EW $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s \alpha)$

- NLO EW  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$  to  $V + \text{jet}$  ..... (off-shell + decay) [Denner, Dittmaier, Kasprzik, Mück '09, '11]
- Decay widths .....
- [Czarnecki, Kühn '96](Z) [Kara '13](W)
- 2-loop  $Z\bar{f}f$  vertex .....
- [Kotikov, Kühn, Veretin '08]
- 2-loop on-shell  $V$  production .....
- [Bonciani '11]
- 2-loop QCD×QED .....
- [Kilgore, Sturm '12]
- Pole expansion around the resonance .....
- [Dittmaier, AH, Schwinn '14]

# Pole Approximation

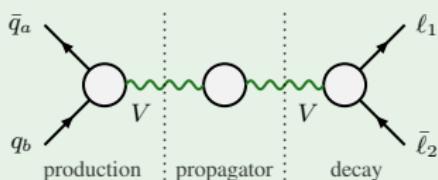
[Stuart '91] [H.Veltman '94] [Aeppli, v.Oldenborgh, Wyler '94]

**Aim:** Improve the theoretical prediction in resonance region

↪ Expansion about complex pole  $\mu_V^2 = M_V^2 - iM_V\Gamma_V \rightsquigarrow$  leading:  $(p_V^2 - \mu_V^2)^{-1}$

## Leading pole approximation (PA)

Factorizable corrections:



▶ on-shell production & decay

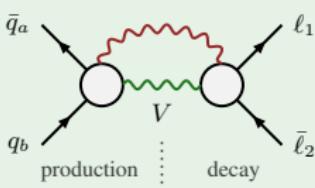
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↪ propagator ( $1 \rightarrow 1$ )

(taken care by on-shell scheme)

Non-factorizable corrections:



▶ connect production & decay resonant contribution

↪ only soft-photon exchange

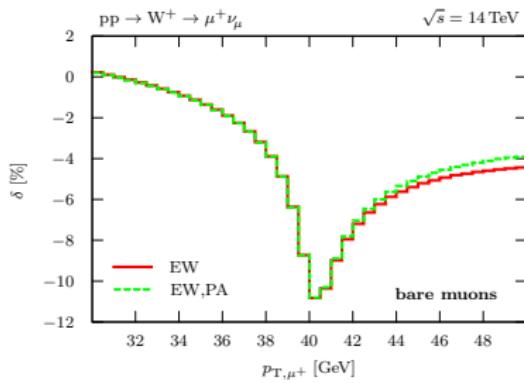
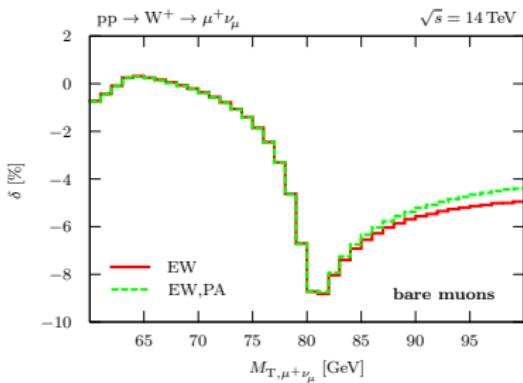
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⇒ Simplifications compared to the full off-shell calculation ( $2 \rightarrow 2$ ) [Dittmaier, Krämer '01], etc.

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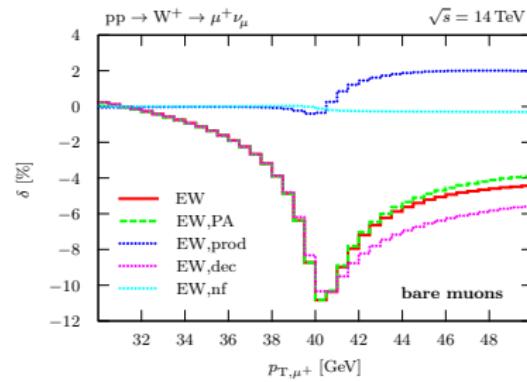
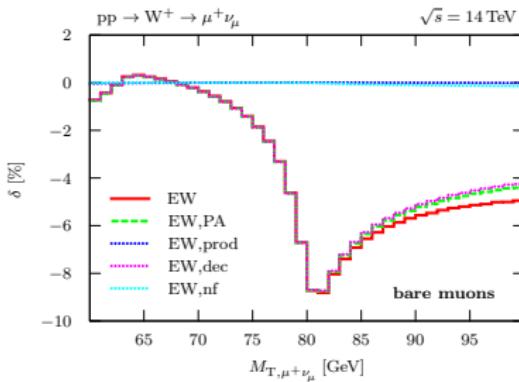
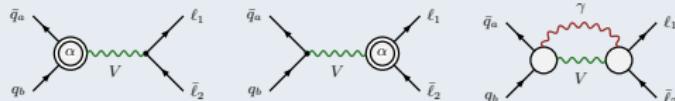


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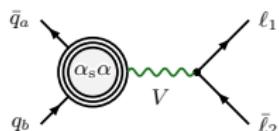
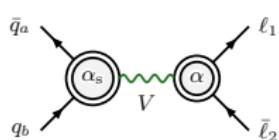
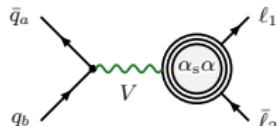
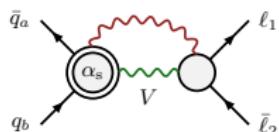
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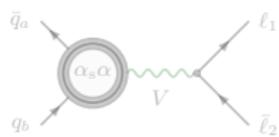
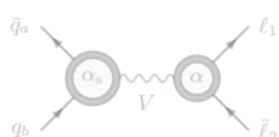
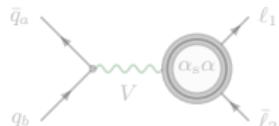
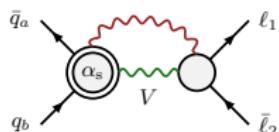
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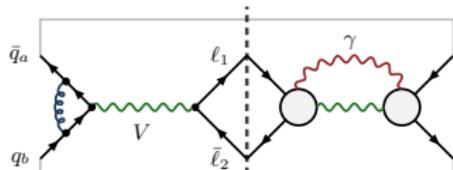
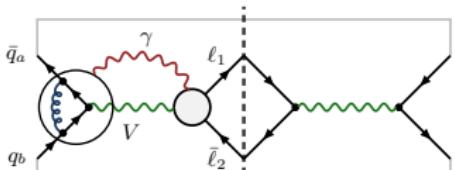
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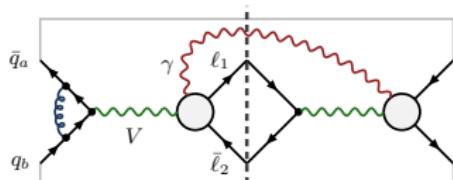
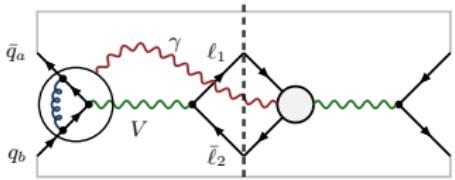
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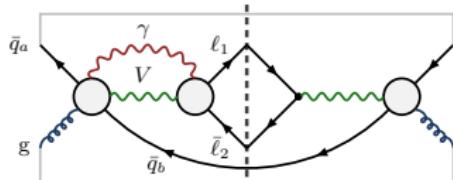
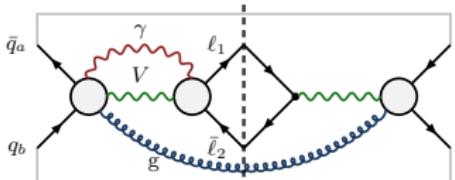
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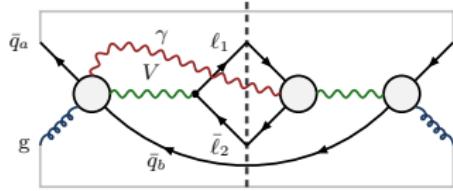
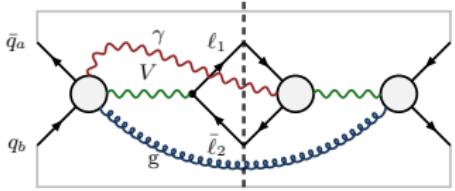
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$$\sim -\frac{C_F \alpha_s}{2\pi} \frac{Q_q Q_l \alpha}{2\pi} \mathcal{M}^0 (1-\epsilon) (-\hat{t}) (\mu_V^2 - \hat{s}^2) \times$$

$$= \frac{(4\pi)^{2\epsilon} \Gamma^2(1+\epsilon)}{(\mu_V^2 - \hat{s})(-\hat{t})} \left( \frac{\mu_V^2 - \hat{s}}{M_V^2} \right)^{-3\epsilon} \left( \frac{-\hat{t}}{\mu^2} \right)^{-2\epsilon} \left\{ \frac{1}{2\epsilon^3} + \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left[ 2 + \frac{5\pi^2}{12} + \text{Li}_2 \left( 1 + \frac{\hat{t}}{M_V^2} \right) \right] \right.$$

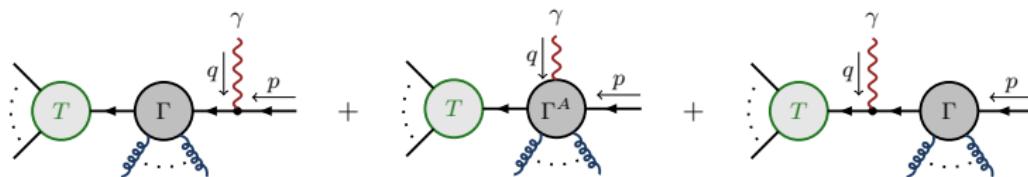
$$+ 2 \text{Li}_3 \left( \frac{-\hat{t}}{M_V^2} \right) + \text{Li}_3 \left( 1 + \frac{\hat{t}}{M_V^2} \right) - 6\zeta(3) - 2 \ln \left( \frac{-\hat{t}}{M_V^2} \right) \left[ \frac{\pi^2}{6} - \text{Li}_2 \left( 1 + \frac{\hat{t}}{M_V^2} \right) \right]$$

$$\left. + \ln^2 \left( \frac{-\hat{t}}{M_V^2} \right) \ln \left( 1 + \frac{\hat{t}}{M_V^2} \right) + \frac{5\pi^2}{6} + 2 \text{Li}_2 \left( 1 + \frac{\hat{t}}{M_V^2} \right) + 4 + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon) + \mathcal{O}(\hat{s} - \mu_V^2) \right\}$$

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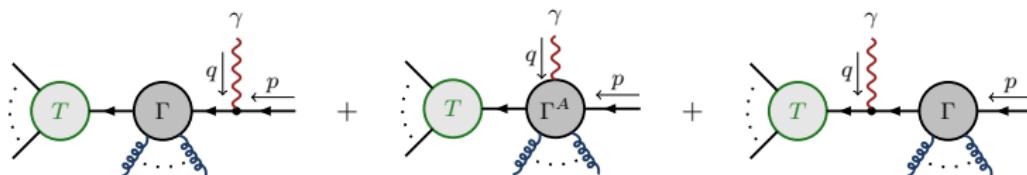


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- ▶ hard interaction  $T$
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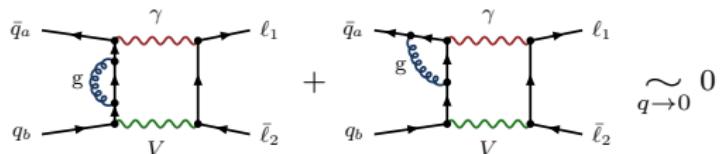
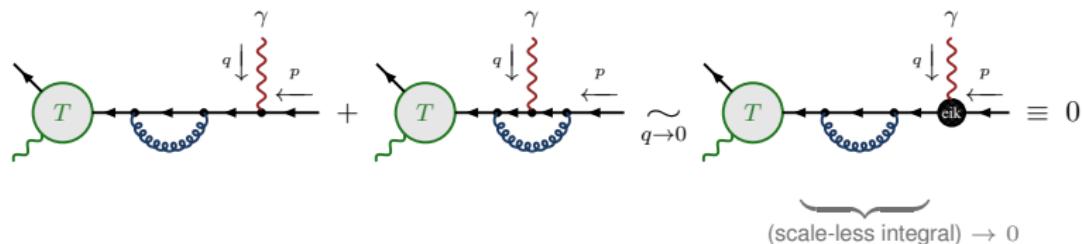


$$\underset{q \rightarrow 0}{\sim} \begin{array}{c} \text{Feynman diagram with } \Gamma \text{ and } \gamma \\ \text{with a black dot at the vertex between } \Gamma \text{ and } \gamma \end{array} \equiv eQ_q \frac{2p_\nu + q_\nu}{2(p \cdot q) + q^2} \begin{array}{c} \text{Feynman diagram with } \Gamma \text{ and } \gamma \\ \text{without the black dot} \end{array}$$

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Infrared singularities—QCD corrections: dipole subtraction formalism

$$\hat{\sigma}^{\text{QCD}} = \int_3 d\sigma^{\text{R}_s} + \int_2 d\sigma^{\text{V}_s} + \int_2 d\sigma^{\text{C}_s} \\ = \int_3 \left[ \left( d\sigma^{\text{R}_s} \right)_{\epsilon=0} - \left( d\sigma^{\text{A}_s} \right)_{\epsilon=0} \right] + \int_2 \left[ d\sigma^{\text{V}_s} + d\sigma^{\text{C}_s} + \int_1 d\sigma^{\text{A}_s} \right]_{\epsilon=0}$$

Infrared singularities—EW corrections: phase-space slicing method  $\Delta E \ll \Gamma_V$

$$\int_{\gamma} d\Phi_{\gamma} d\sigma^{\text{QCD}} \delta_{\text{R}_{\text{ew}}, \text{nf}}^{\gamma} = \underbrace{\int_{E_{\gamma} < \Delta E} d\Phi_{\gamma} d\sigma^{\text{QCD}} \delta_{\text{R}_{\text{ew}}, \text{nf}}^{\gamma} + \int_{E_{\gamma} > \Delta E} d\Phi_{\gamma} d\sigma^{\text{QCD}} \delta_{\text{R}_{\text{ew}}, \text{nf}}^{\gamma}}_{= \delta_{\text{soft}}(\Delta E)} \\ = \underbrace{\int_{E_{\gamma} < \Delta E} d\Phi_{\gamma} \delta_{\text{elik}}^{\gamma} d\sigma^{\text{QCD}}}_{+ \int_{E_{\gamma} > \Delta E} d\Phi_{\gamma} d\sigma^{\text{QCD}} \delta_{\text{R}_{\text{ew}}, \text{nf}}^{\gamma}}$$

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## Example: double-real corrections

$$\tilde{\sigma}_{\text{nf}}^{\text{R}_s \otimes \text{Rew}} = \iint_{\substack{3+\gamma \\ E_\gamma > \Delta E}} \left\{ d\sigma^{\text{R}_s} \delta_{\text{Rew}, \text{nf}}^{2 \rightarrow 3+\gamma} (\Phi_{3+\gamma}) - \sum_{\text{dipoles}} d\sigma^0 \delta_{\text{Rew}, \text{nf}}^{2 \rightarrow 2+\gamma} (\tilde{\Phi}_{2+\gamma}) \otimes dV_{\text{dip}} \right\}$$

- ▶  $\delta_{\text{Rew}, \text{nf}}^{2 \rightarrow 2+\gamma} (\tilde{\Phi}_{2+\gamma})$   
↪ analytic integration over unresolved phase space
- ▶ cut  $E_\gamma > \Delta E$  frame dependent  $\rightsquigarrow$  partonic CMS of  $\Phi_{3+\gamma}$   
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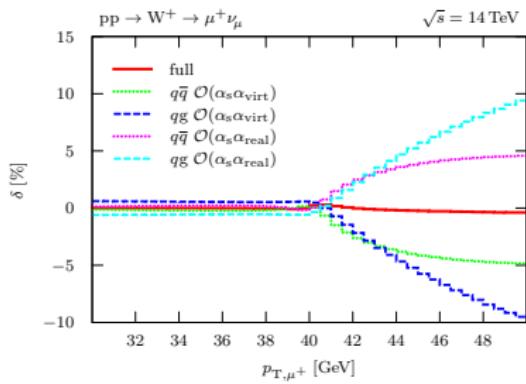
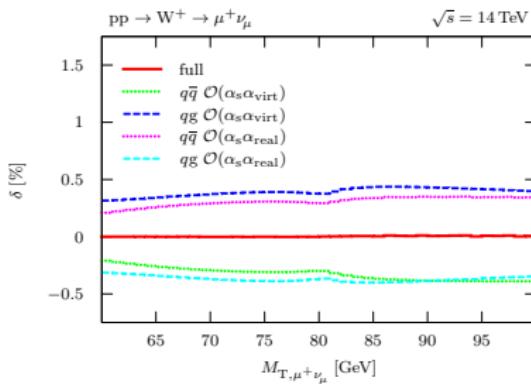
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{}  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s \alpha_{\text{virt}})$ : including soft photon emission  $E_\gamma < \Delta E$

{}  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s \alpha_{\text{real}})$ : with cut  $E_\gamma > \Delta E$  ( $\Delta E \ll \Gamma_V$ )



- ▶ almost perfect cancellation between different contributions
- ▶ tiny & flat corrections!
- ⇒ dominant contributions at  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s \alpha)$  from the factorizable corrections!

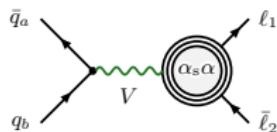
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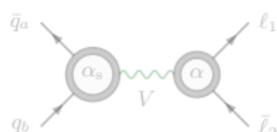
[Dittmaier, AH, Schwinn '14]

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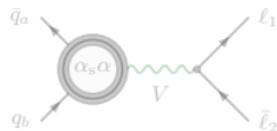
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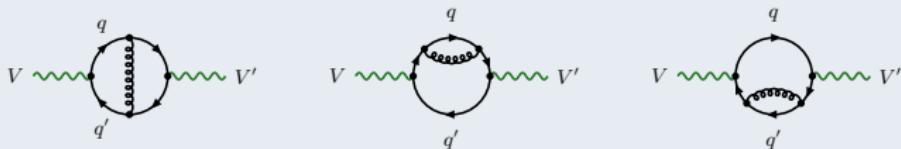
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$$\delta \mathcal{M}_{\text{fact. fin-fin}}^{\text{QCD} \otimes \text{EW}} = \delta_{V\bar{\ell}_1\ell_2}^{\text{ct}, (\alpha_s \alpha)} \mathcal{M}_{\text{PA}}^0$$

- ▶  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s \alpha)$ : only vector boson self-energies

[Djouadi, Gambino '94]

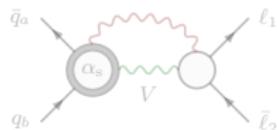


↪ **small**  $\mathcal{O}(\lesssim 0.1\%)$  and **flat** corrections

$G_\mu$  input parameter scheme

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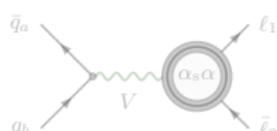
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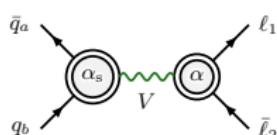
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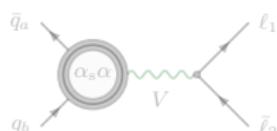
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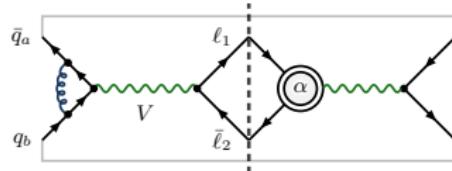
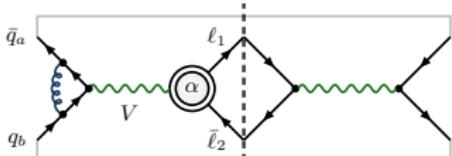
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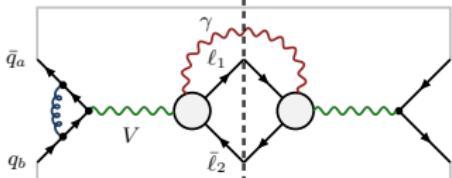
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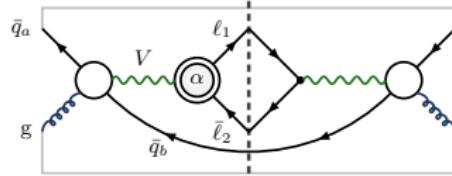
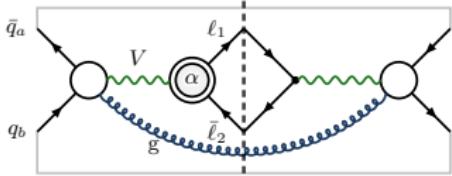
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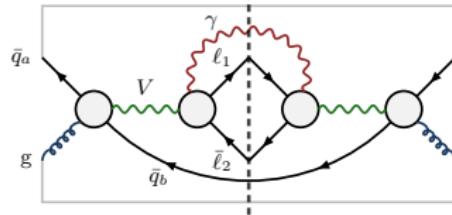
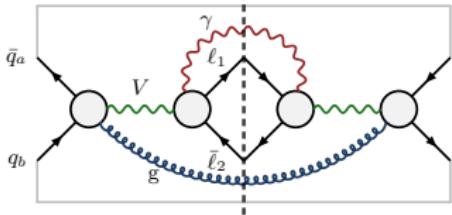
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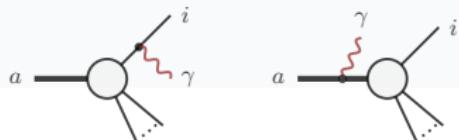
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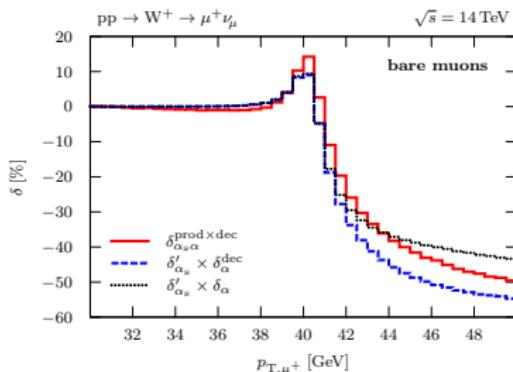
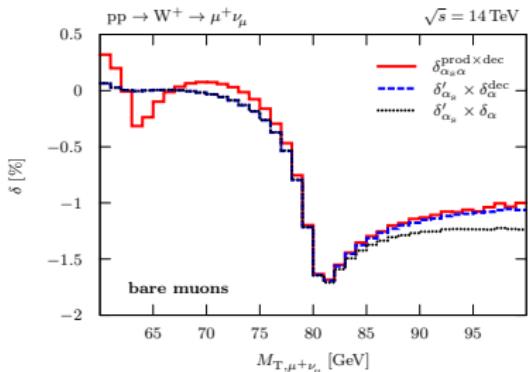
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  - - - naive product:  $(\text{NLO QCD}) \times (\text{NLO EW})_{\text{dec}}$
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- $\Delta \sim \text{missing } \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s \alpha) \text{ terms}$

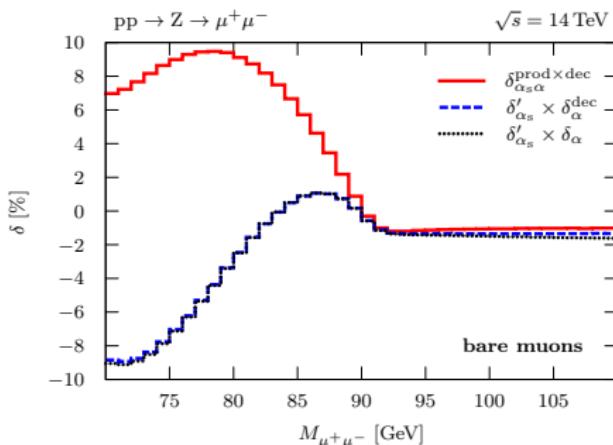


- ▶  $\delta_{\alpha_s \alpha}^{\text{prod} \times \text{dec}}$  well approximated by naive products
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- ▶ sensitive to ISR  
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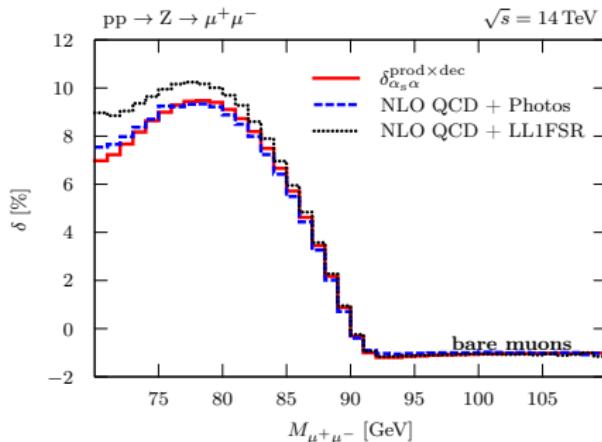
(naive sum  $\leadsto 0$ )

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- ▶ large corrections below resonance  
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► comparison with MC approaches: (preliminary)

..... “(NLO QCD)  $\otimes$  LL1FSR”

$$\text{structure function: } \Gamma_{\ell\ell}^{\text{LL},1}(z) = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \left( \frac{1+z^2}{1-z} \right)_+ \left[ \ln \left( \frac{Q^2}{m_\ell^2} \right) - 1 \right]$$

..... “(NLO QCD)  $\otimes$  Photos”

$\gamma$  shower (restricted to at most one emission)

# Impact on $M_W$ extraction

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$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i \in \text{bins}} \frac{\left[ \sigma_i^{\text{data}}(M) - \sigma_i^{\text{template}}(M + \Delta M) \right]^2}{2\Delta\sigma_i^2}$$

- ▶ “templates”: LO with  
 $M_W = 80.085 \dots 80.785 \text{ GeV}$
- ▶ “pseudo-data”: HO with  
 $M_W = 80.385 \text{ GeV}$
- ▶ distributions normalized in fit interval  $M_{T,\ell\nu} \in [65, 90] \text{ GeV}$

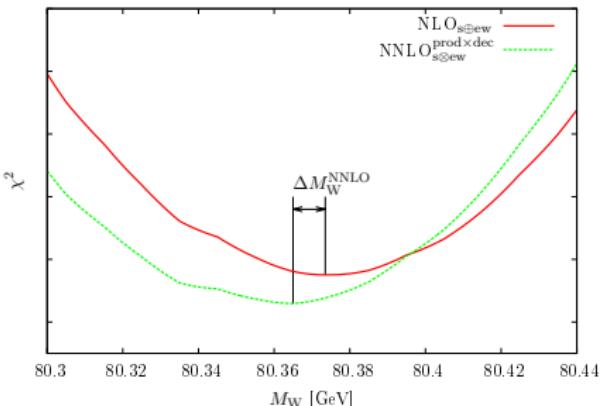
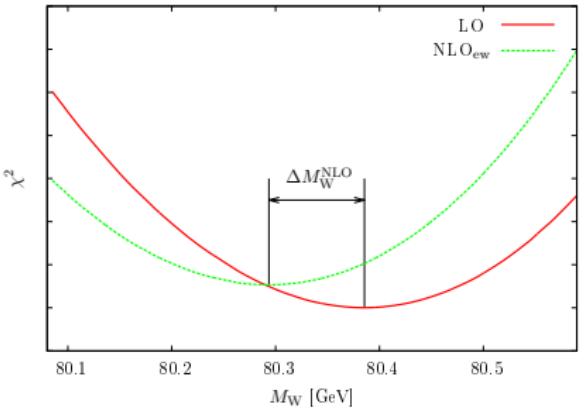
LO  $\rightarrow$  NLO(EW) \*

$\Delta M_W \approx -90 \text{ MeV}$

NLO(EW+QCD)  $\rightarrow$  NNLO(EW×QCD) \*

$\Delta M_W \approx -10 \text{ MeV}$

\* bare muons



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  - ↪ expected to be the dominant contributions
  - ↪ mass shift  $\approx 10$  MeV

todo:  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s \alpha)$  corrections to  $\bar{q}_a q_b \rightarrow V$  production

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  - ↪ only factorizable corrections are relevant at  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s \alpha)$
- ▶  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s \alpha)$  corrections to  $V \rightarrow \ell_1 \bar{\ell}_2$  decay
  - ↪ only a small constant off-set  $\leadsto$  irrelevant for resonance shape
- ▶ (QCD to  $\bar{q}_a q_b \rightarrow V$ )  $\times$  (EW to  $V \rightarrow \ell_1 \bar{\ell}_2$ )
  - ↪ expected to be the dominant contributions
  - ↪ mass shift  $\approx 10$  MeV

todo:  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s \alpha)$  corrections to  $\bar{q}_a q_b \rightarrow V$  production

$\hookrightarrow$  no significant shape distortion expected

Thank you

# Backup Slides

# Calculational setup

LHC @ 14 TeV

NNPDF2.3 (QED) [Ball, et al. '13]

$$p + p \rightarrow W^+ \rightarrow \nu_\mu + \mu^+$$

$$p + p \rightarrow Z (\gamma^*) \rightarrow \mu^- + \mu^+$$

## Event selection cuts

$$p_{T,\ell^\pm} > 25 \text{ GeV}$$

$$|\eta_{\ell^\pm}| < 2.5$$

$$E_T^{\text{miss}} > 25 \text{ GeV} \quad (\text{charged-current DY})$$

$$M_{\ell\ell} > 50 \text{ GeV} \quad (\text{neutral-current DY})$$

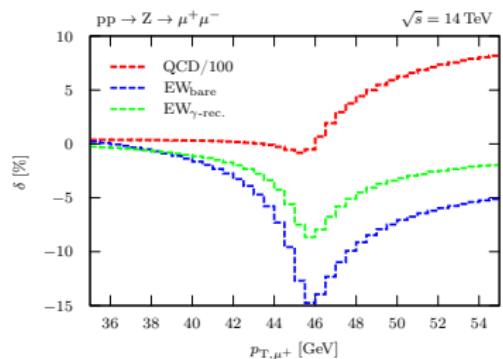
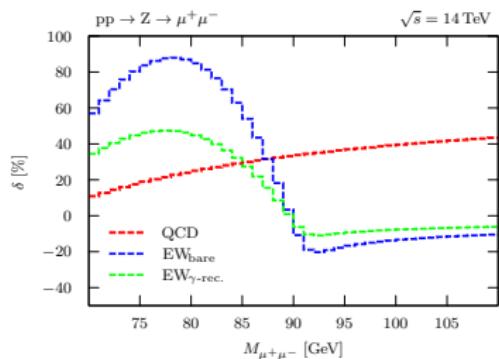
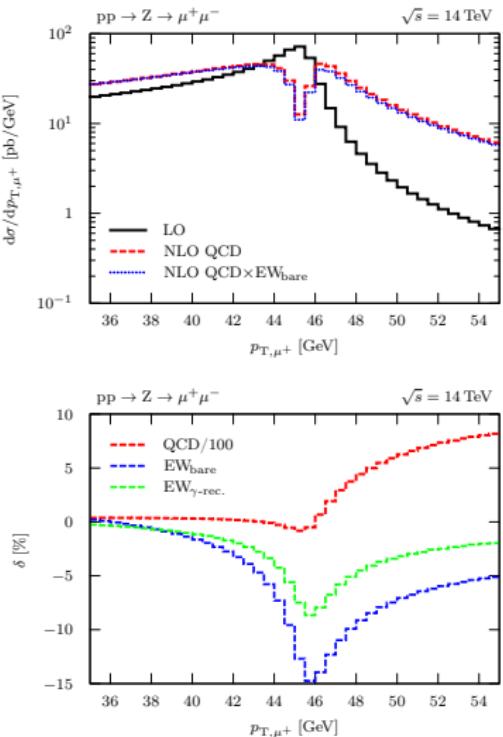
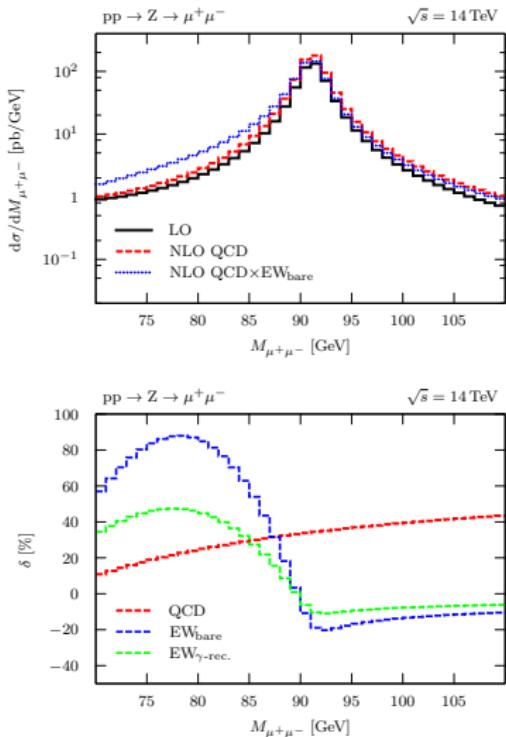
## Photon recombination $\rightsquigarrow$ “dressed” leptons

Merge photons “collinear” to the charged leptons:

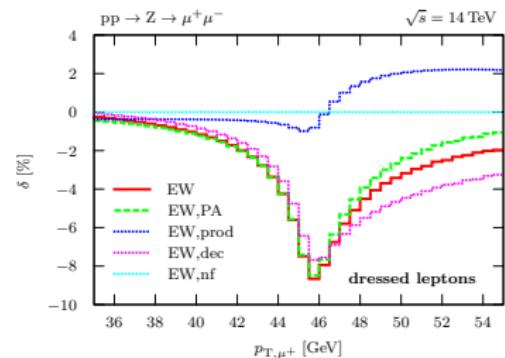
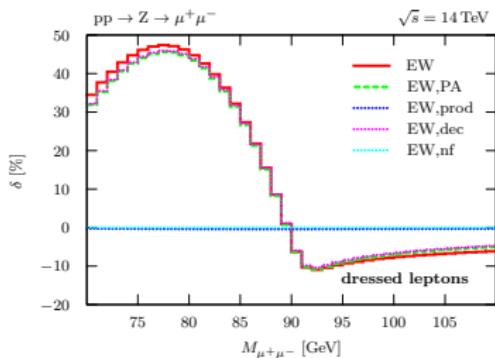
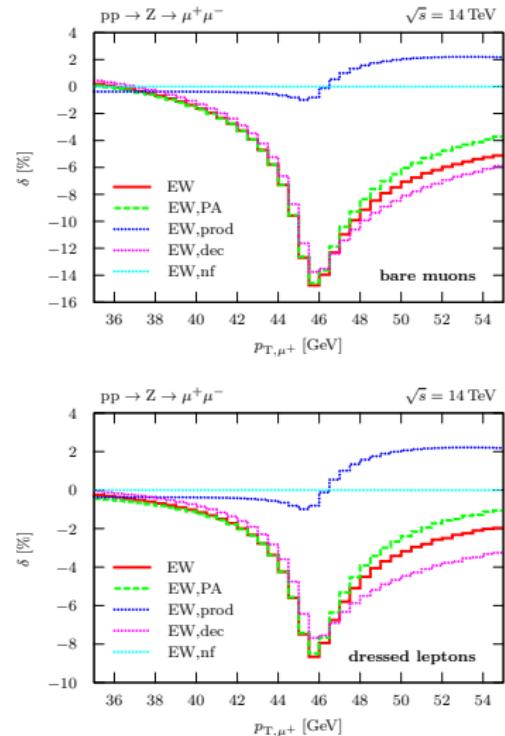
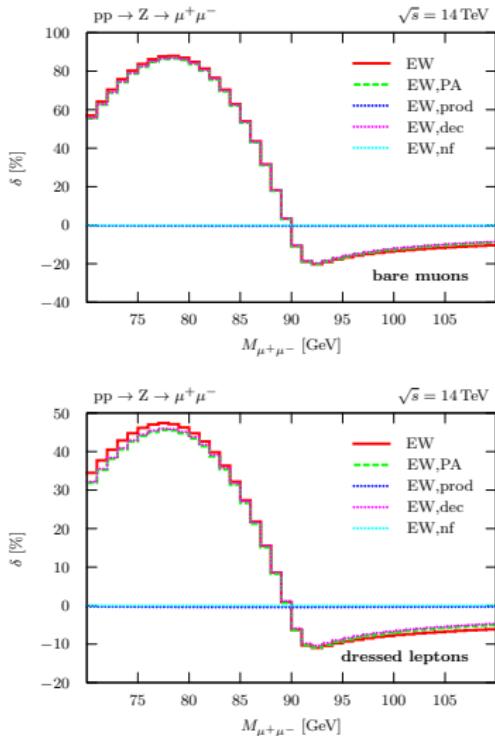
$$\Delta R_{\ell\gamma} < 0.1, \quad R_{\ell\gamma} = \sqrt{(\eta_\ell - \eta_\gamma)^2 + (\phi_\ell - \phi_\gamma)^2}$$

$\hookrightarrow$  corrections independent of the lepton flavour

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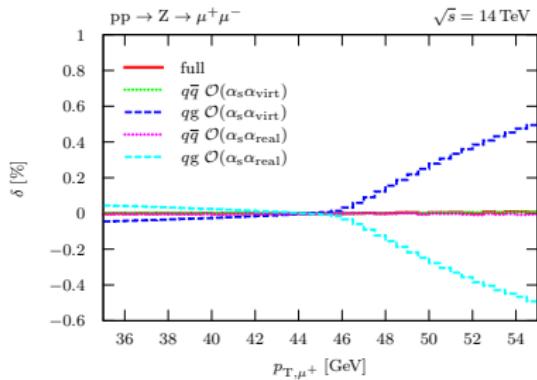
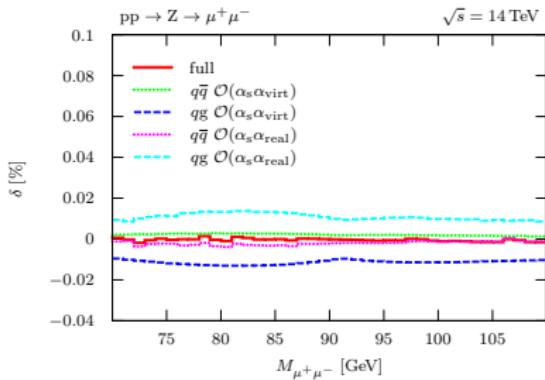


# Z distributions @ NNLO $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s \alpha)$ (non-factorizable)

$\text{--- } \cdot \text{--- }$  }  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s \alpha_{\text{virt}})$ : including soft photon emission  $E_\gamma < \Delta E$

$\text{--- } \cdot \text{--- }$  }  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s \alpha_{\text{real}})$ : with cut  $E_\gamma > \Delta E$

$(\Delta E \ll \Gamma_V)$



► almost perfect cancellation between different contributions

► tiny & flat corrections!

Z: even smaller:  $\delta_{\text{nf}}$  anti-symmetric  $\leadsto$  suppression

⇒ dominant contributions at  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s \alpha)$  from the factorizable corrections!

# Initial-final factorizable corrections

