

Effective Field Theory of Unstable Top

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- Based on: *A. Penin, J. Piclum, JHEP 1201 (2012) 034*

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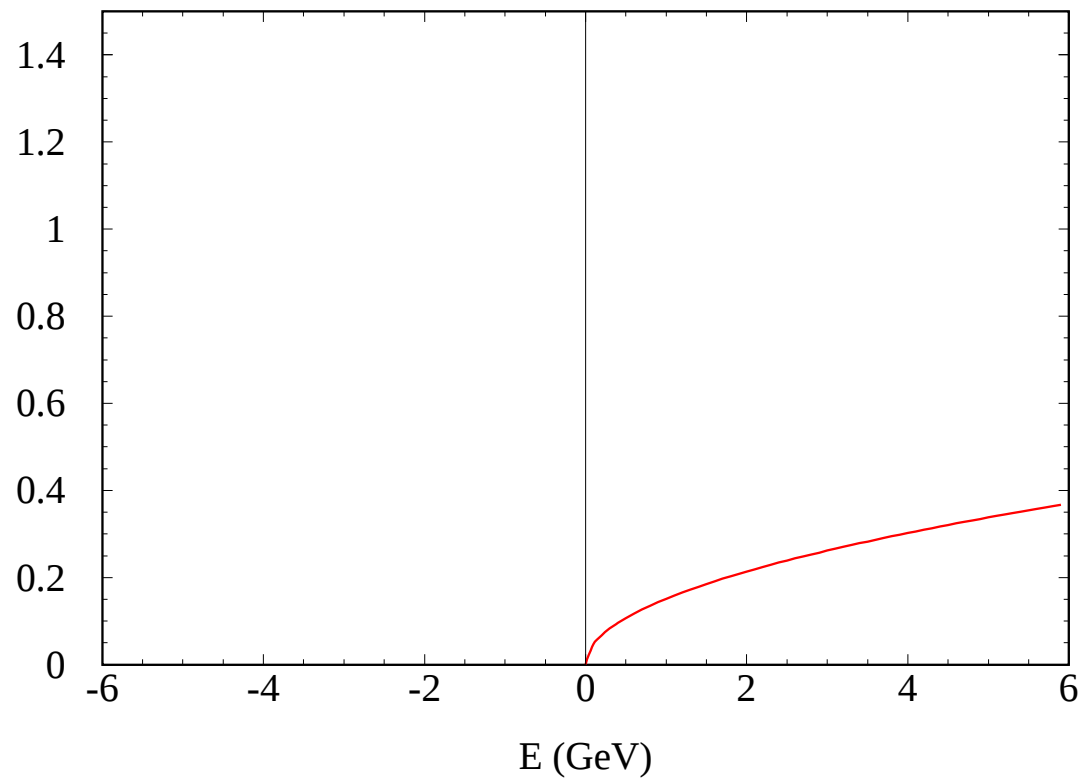
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Higgs, EWSB, GUT, SUSE, ...



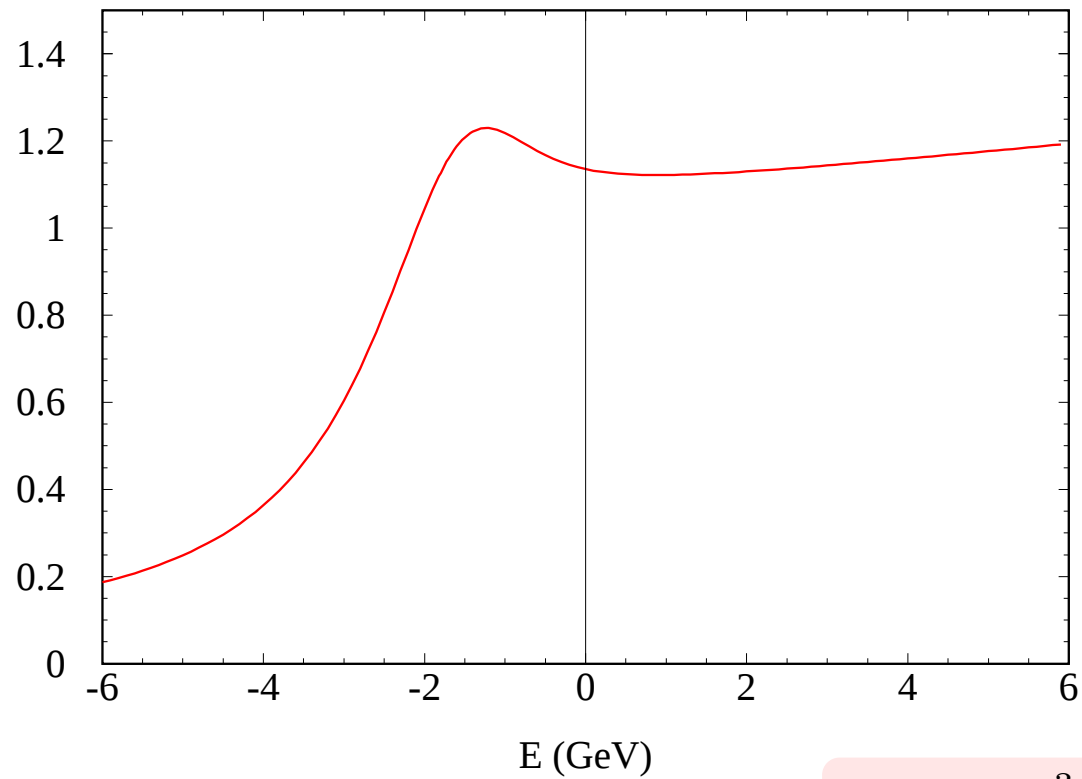
Born cross section

$$R(e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t})$$



Coulomb and finite width effects

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$$R_{\text{res}} \sim \frac{\alpha_s^3}{m_t \Gamma_t}, \quad E_{\text{res}} \sim \alpha_s^2 m_t$$

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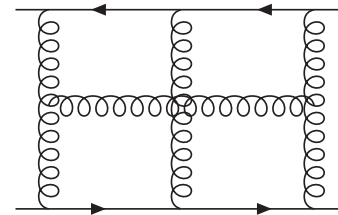
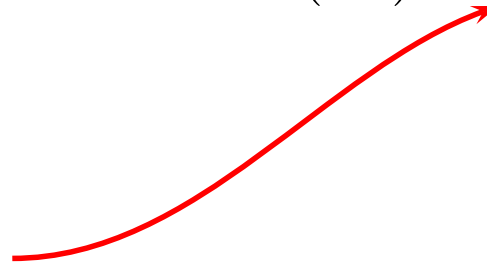
➔ *Full N^3LO analysis is mandatory*

N³LO ground state energy

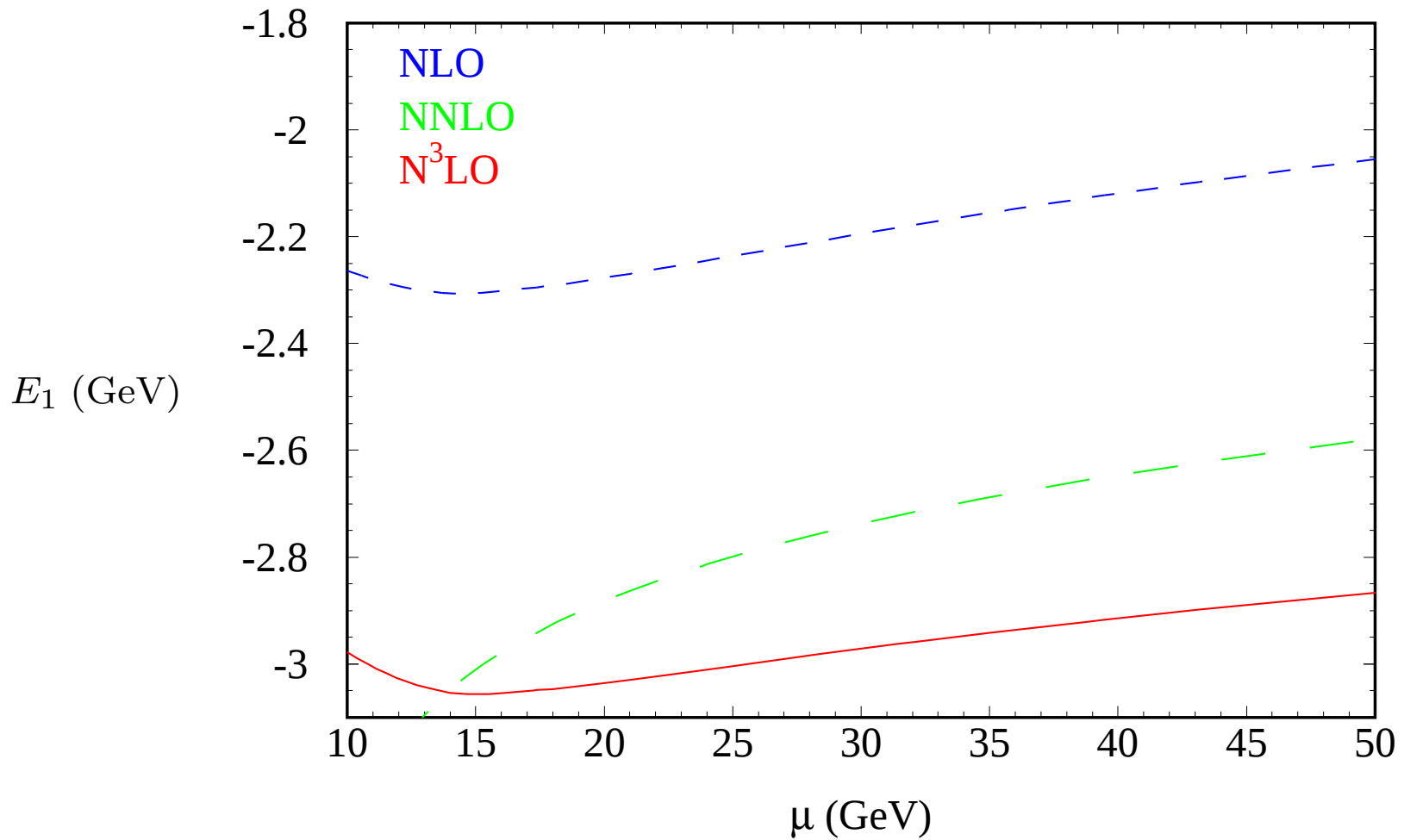
(A. Penin, M. Steinhauser Phys.Lett. B538 (2002) 335-345)

$$\frac{\delta E_1^{\text{N}^3\text{LO}}}{E_1^{\text{LO}}} = \alpha_s^3 \left(58.205 + 15.297 \ln(\alpha_s) + 26.654 \right)$$

*Renormalon
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● Nonresonant contribution

- *Supression of nonfactorizable contribution*

(K. Melnikov, O. Yakovlev, Phys. Lett. B324 (1994) 217)

- *Phase space matching (tight cuts on top invariant mass)*

(A. Hoang, C. Reißer, P. Ruiz-Femenía, Phys. Rev. D82 (2010) 014005)

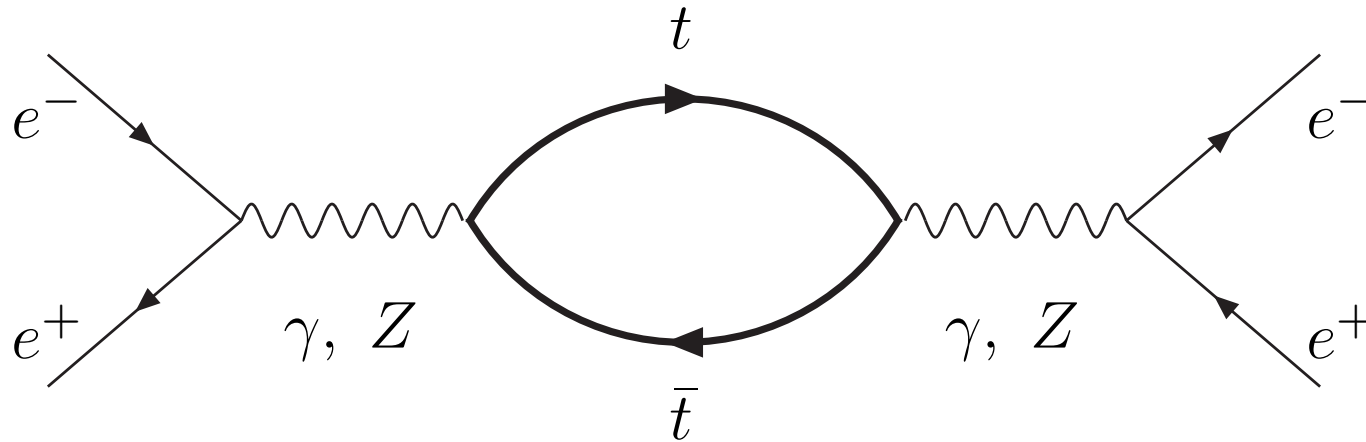
- *QCD effective theory of unstable particles to NLO*

(M. Beneke, B. Jantzen, P. Ruiz-Femenía, Nucl. Phys. B840 (2010) 186)

- *NRQCD effective theory of unstable particles to NNLO*

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Stable top



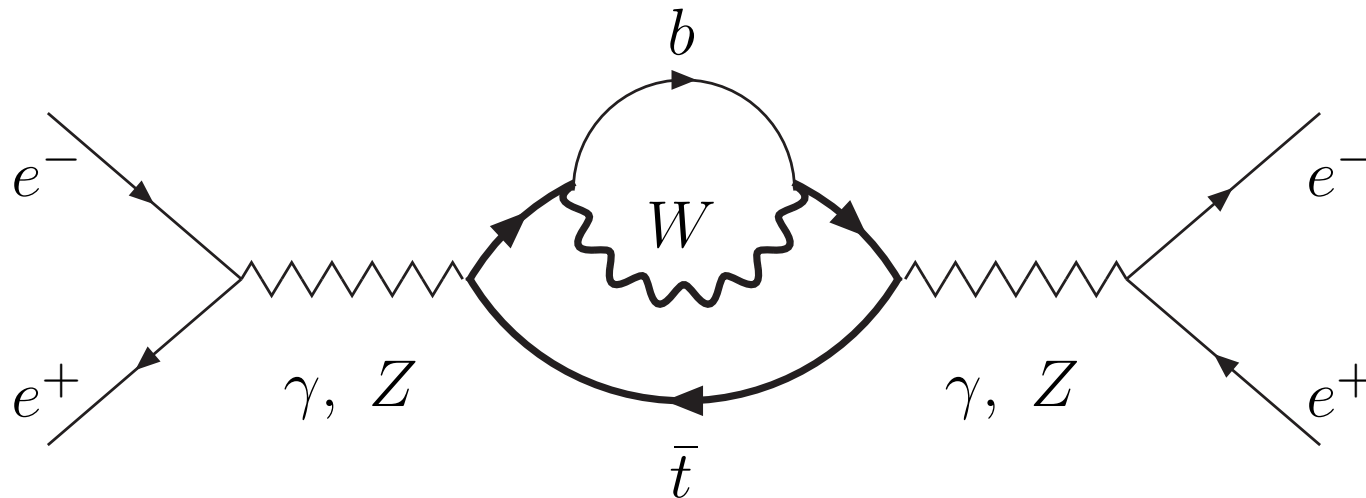
Optical theorem:

$$R_{res}^{Born} \sim \Im \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{p}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{\mathbf{p}^2 - m_t E - i\epsilon} \sim \Im \sqrt{-E - i\epsilon},$$

On-shell top:

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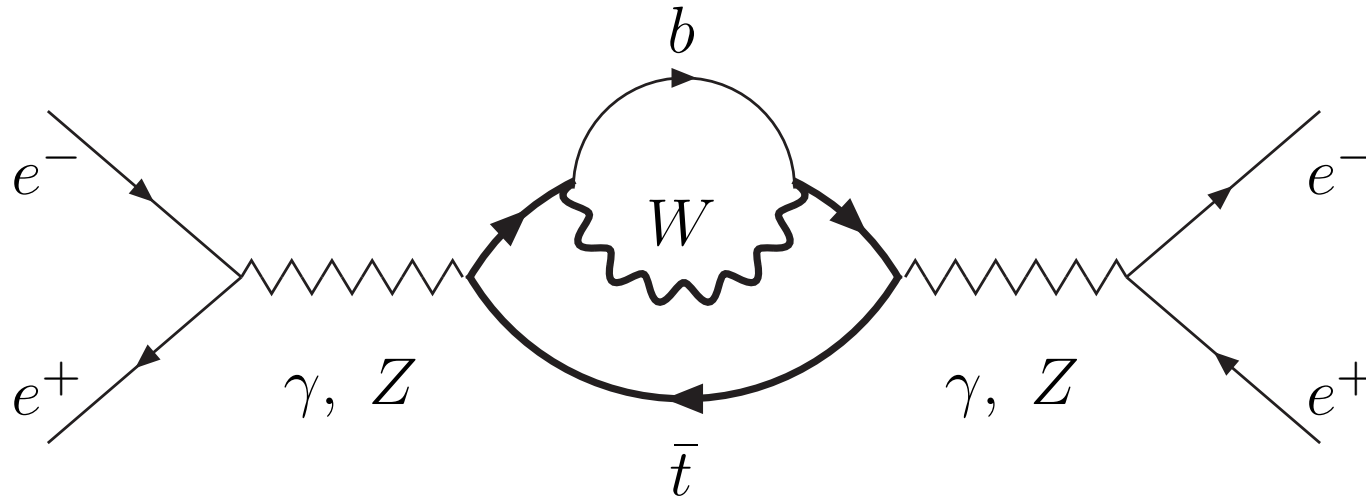


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● Complex energy shift:

● *Dyson resummation*

$$\frac{1}{\mathbf{p}^2 - m_t E - i\epsilon} \rightarrow \frac{1}{\mathbf{p}^2 - m_t E - im_t \Gamma_t}$$

● *Breit-Wigner resonance*

$$\delta(\mathbf{p}^2 - m_t E) \rightarrow \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\Gamma_t}{(\mathbf{p}^2/m_t - E)^2 + \Gamma_t^2},$$

● *Born cross section*

$$R_{res}^{Born} \sim \Im \left[\sqrt{-E - i\Gamma_t} \right]$$

● Invariant mass distribution:

●

$$2\mathbf{p}^2 \approx m_t^2 - (p_W + p_b)^2$$

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● Approximation $\rho \ll 1$

- *nonrelativistic t and W , ultrarelativistic b*
- *expansion in ρ similar to pNRQCD expansion in $v^2 \sim E/m_t$*
- *actual value $\rho = 0.53 \dots$*

Nonrelativistic effective theory of unstable top

● Scales

● $pNRQCD$:

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• Scale hierarchy and power counting

• $pNRQCD$ scaling: $\alpha_{ew}^{1/2} \sim \alpha_s \sim v \ll 1$, $\Gamma_t/m_t \sim \alpha_{ew}$

• complimentary expansion in ρ with $v \ll \rho^{1/2} \ll 1$

• ρ -Coulomb terms $\alpha_s/\rho^{1/2} \ll 1$

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● *add all the two-loop diagrams with t - W - b cut*

● *expand in $E/\rho m_t$, expand in $\rho \Rightarrow$ single region left:*

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➡ *recover nonrelativistic propagators and vertices*

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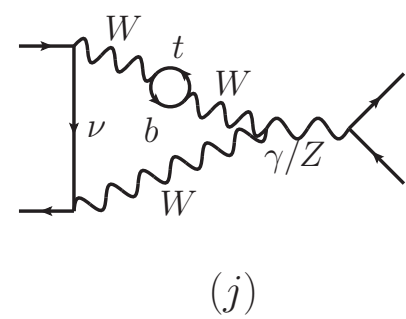
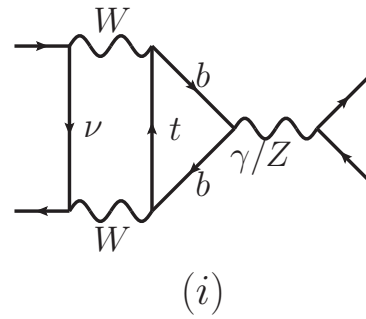
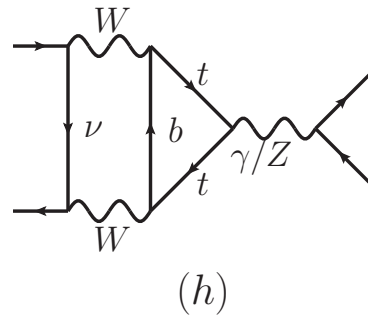
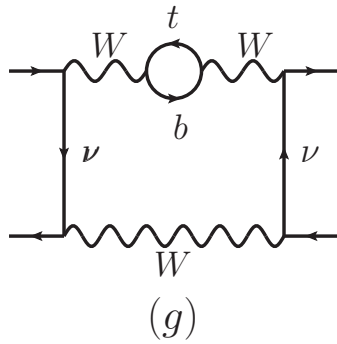
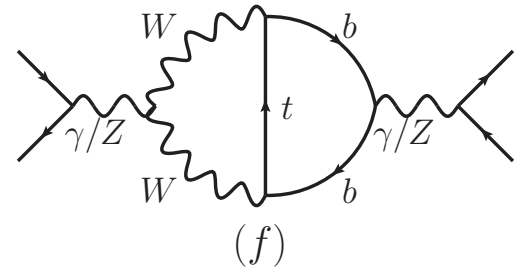
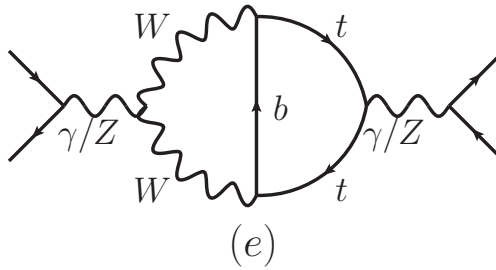
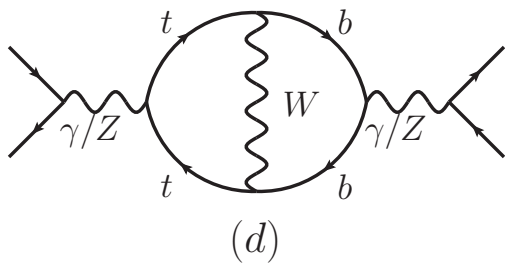
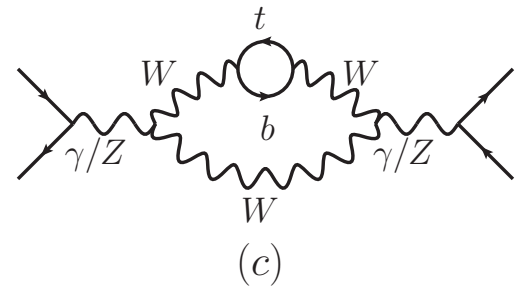
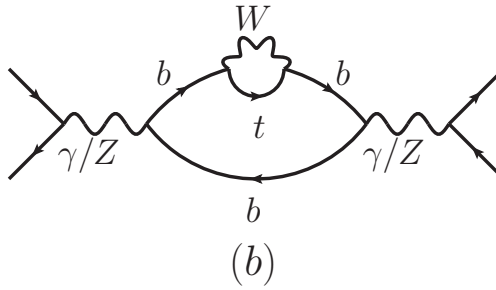
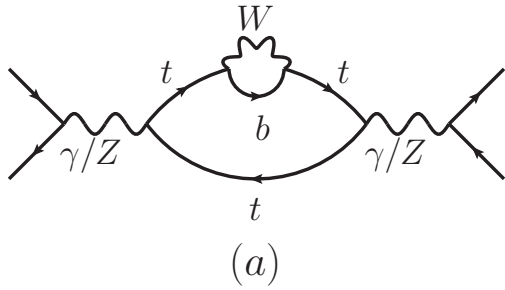
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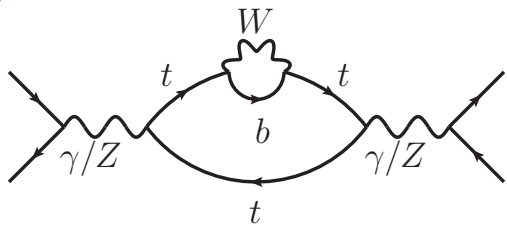
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● *no expansion in $\rho \Leftrightarrow$ fully relativistic calculation (M. Beneke et al.)*

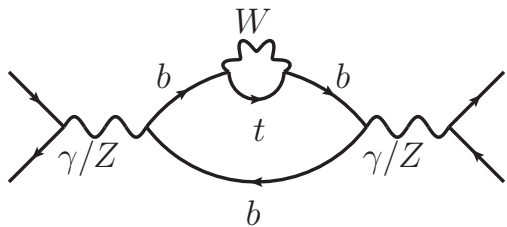
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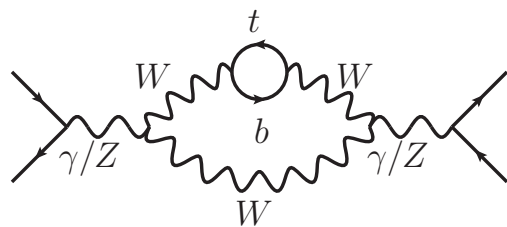
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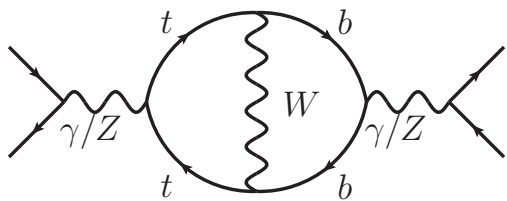
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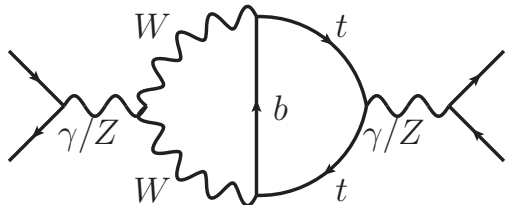
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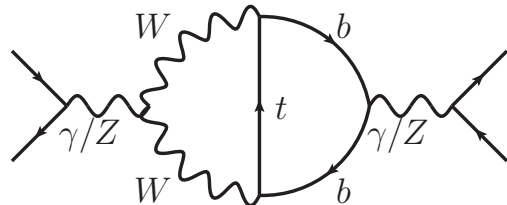
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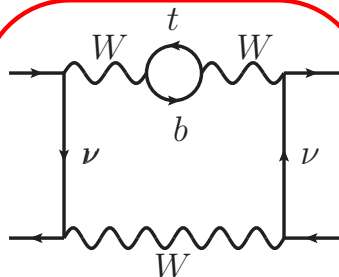
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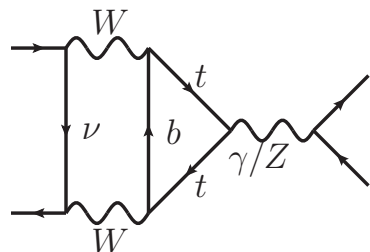
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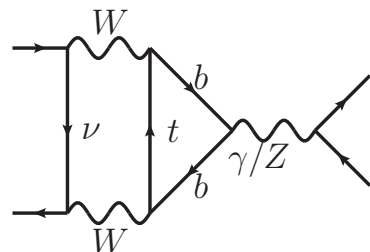
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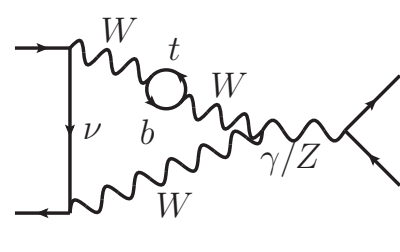
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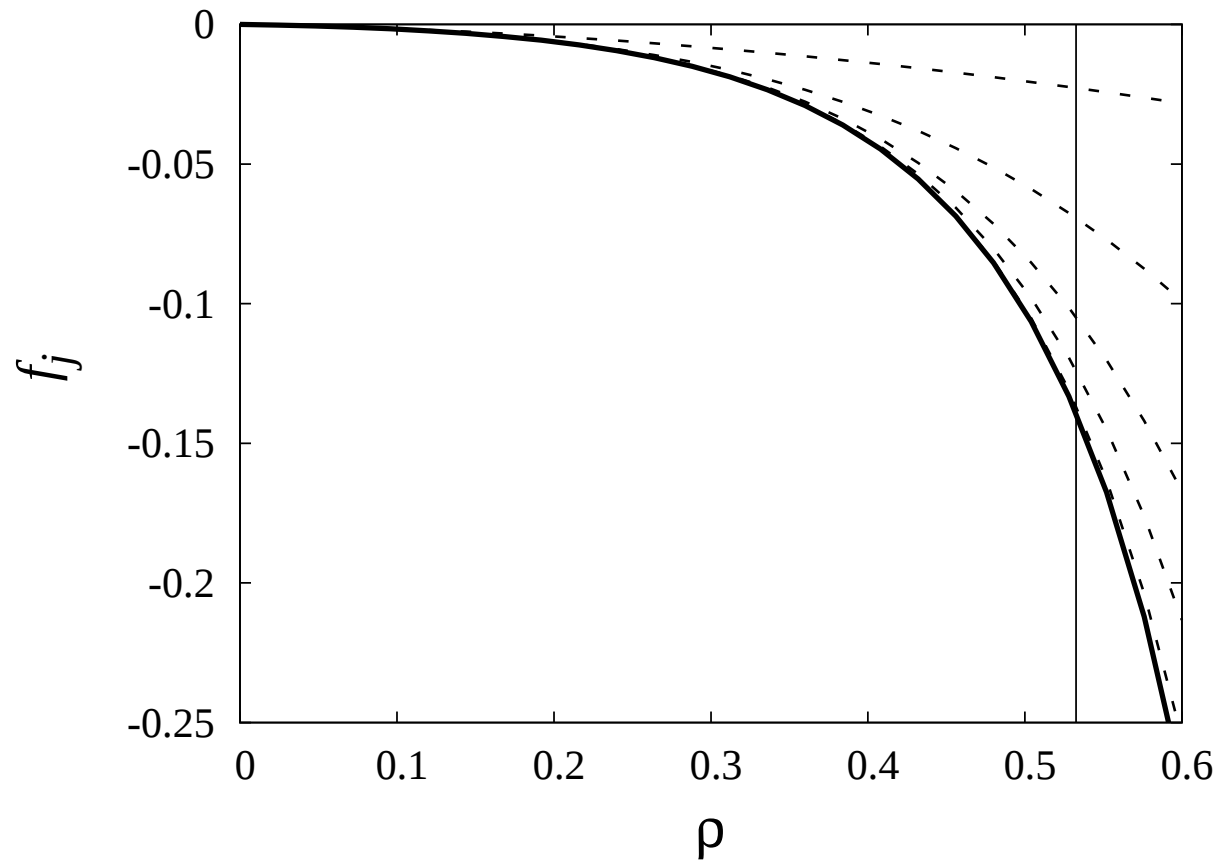
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- Convergence?

- *generally not bad*
- *for some diagrams Padé is necessary*

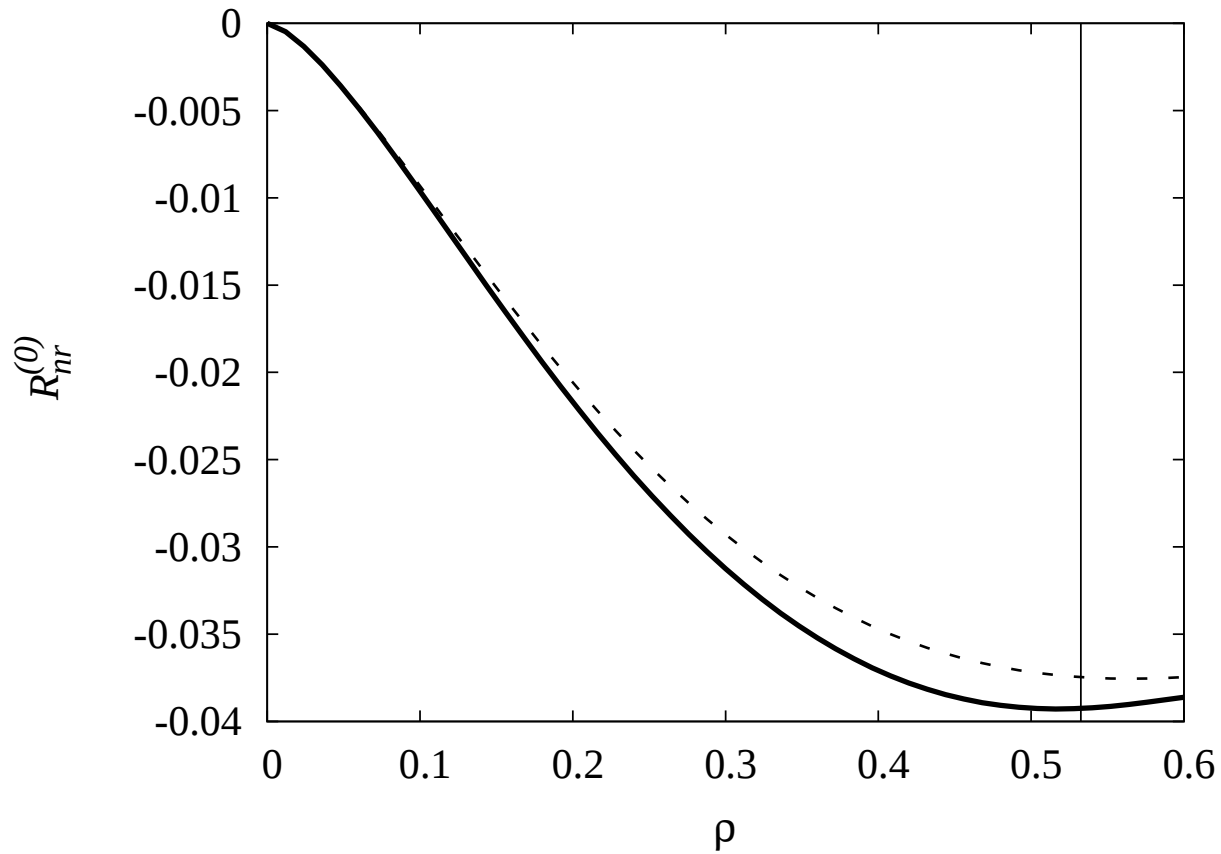
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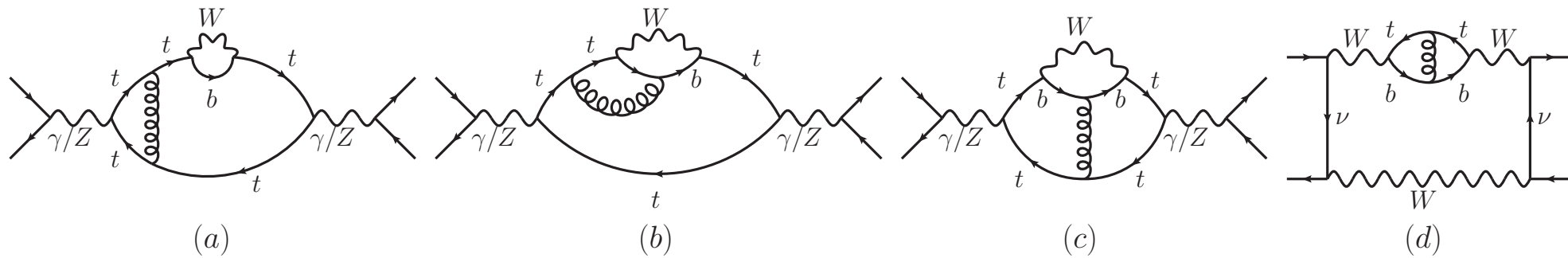


dash line - leading ρ -dependence

solid line - exact ρ -dependence

NNLO nonresonant contribution

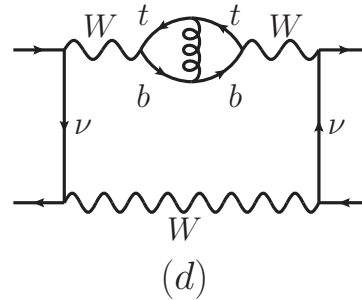
ρ -leading diagrams



Regions of gluon momentum

- (a) and (d) - hard, potential, ρ -potential
- (b) and (c) - hard, ρ -soft

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● Diagram (d):

- *box momentum is ρ -potential*
- *self-energy momentum is hard or ρ -soft*

$$\text{Im}[\Pi^{(1)}(z)] = \frac{C_F \alpha_s}{\pi} \left[\frac{9}{4} + \frac{1}{3} \pi^2 - \frac{3}{2} \ln(2\rho) - \frac{3}{2} \ln \left(1 - \frac{z}{\rho} \right) + \mathcal{O}(\rho, z) \right] \text{Im}[\Pi^{(0)}(z)]$$

- $\ln(\rho)$ *term is absorbed into corrected* Γ_t

$$\Gamma_t = \left[1 + \frac{C_F \alpha_s}{\pi} \left(\frac{9}{4} - \frac{2}{3} \pi^2 - \frac{3}{2} \ln(2\rho) + \mathcal{O}(\rho) \right) \right] \Gamma_t^{LO}$$

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● *ρ -Coulomb term* $\alpha_s/\rho^{1/2}$

● *new type of logs* $\ln(E/\rho m_t) \sim \ln(v^2/\rho)$

Spurious divergences in pNRQCD

- Problem with complex energy shift in NNLO
 - *integral over potential momentum* $\mathbf{p}^2/m_t \sim E$
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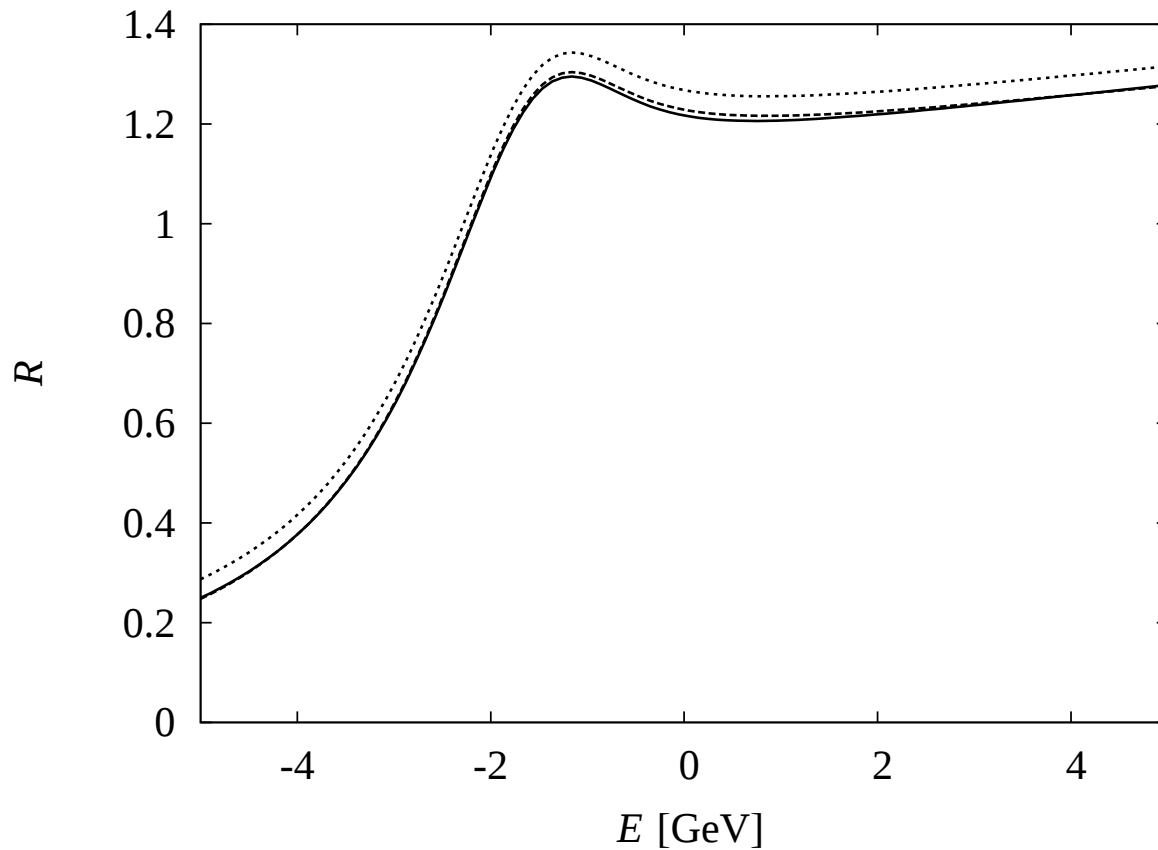
- Expansion by regions

- *integral over ρ -potential region* $\mathbf{p}^2/m_t \sim \rho m_t$

- is IR divergent* $\delta R \sim \Gamma_t \ln(\mu/\rho m_t)$

- ➔ *finite sum* $\delta R \sim \Gamma_t \ln(E/\rho m_t)$

Numerics



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