

# All order nonfactorizable jet veto effects in Higgs boson production

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### **Central jet veto in Higgs production via VBF**



#### **VBF signature:**

- Energetic jets in the forward and backward directions
- Large rapidity separation and large invariant mass of two tagged jets
- Little radiation in the central-rapidity region

- Major QCD backgrounds: t-channel color octet exchange
- Central jet veto can suppresses QCD background
- Central jet veto: no extra jets between tagging jets



Del Duca, Frizzo, Maltoni '05

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Courtesy of Johannes Michel

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### Nonfactorizable QCD effects in Higgs production via VBF

Liu, Melnikov, Penin '19



**nonfactorizable correction:**  $\Delta_{\rm NF} = \frac{\sigma_{\rm VBF}^{\rm NNLO,NF}}{\sigma_{\rm VBF}^{\rm LO}} \times 100\% = -0.39\%$ 

- the nonfactorizable correction is comparable to the NNNLO QCD factorizable corrections
- appear for the first time at NNLO, scale dependence is large

### Central jet veto at the LHC



leading logs:

$$e^+e^-, ep: \quad \alpha_s^n \ln^n\left(\frac{Q}{Q_0}\right)$$

$$pp: \qquad \cdots \qquad + \alpha_s^3 (i\pi)^2 \ln^3 \left(\frac{Q}{Q_0}\right) \times \alpha_s^n \ln^{2n} \left(\frac{Q}{Q_0}\right)$$

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## Fixed order calculation

- Gluons are added in all possible ways to trace diagrams and colour factors calculated using COLOUR
- Diagrams are then cut in all ways consistent with strong ordering
- At fourth order there are 10,529 diagrams and 1,746,272 after cutting.
- SLL terms are confirmed at fourth order and computed for the first time at 5<sup>th</sup> order



Keates and Seymour arXiv:0902.0477 [hep-ph]

### Simone Marzani's slide

### Factorization for gap between jets in e+e-

(Becher, Neubert, Rothen, **DYS**, '15 PRL, '16 JHEP; Caron-Huot '15 JHEP)



**One-loop anomalous dimension:**  $\Gamma^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} V_2 \ R_2 \ 0 \ 0 \ \dots \\ 0 \ V_3 \ R_3 \ 0 \ \dots \\ 0 \ 0 \ V_4 \ R_4 \ \dots \\ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ V_5 \ \dots \\ \vdots \ \vdots \ \vdots \ \vdots \ \vdots \ \ddots \end{pmatrix}$ 

$$\begin{split} \boldsymbol{V}_{m} &= -2\sum_{(ij)} \int \frac{d\Omega(n_{k})}{4\pi} \left( \boldsymbol{T}_{i,L} \cdot \boldsymbol{T}_{j,L} + \boldsymbol{T}_{i,R} \cdot \boldsymbol{T}_{j,R} \right) W_{ij}^{k} \left[ \Theta_{\mathrm{in}}^{n\bar{n}}(k) + \Theta_{\mathrm{out}}^{n\bar{n}}(k) \right] \\ &+ 2i\pi \sum_{(ij)} \left( \boldsymbol{T}_{i,L} \cdot \boldsymbol{T}_{j,L} - \boldsymbol{T}_{i,R} \cdot \boldsymbol{T}_{j,R} \right) \Pi_{ij}, \\ \boldsymbol{R}_{m} &= 4\sum_{(ij)} \boldsymbol{T}_{i,L} \cdot \boldsymbol{T}_{j,R} W_{ij}^{m+1} \Theta_{\mathrm{in}}(n_{m+1}) \,. \end{split} \qquad \begin{array}{l} \Pi_{ij} = 1 \quad \text{if both incoming} \\ \text{or outgoing} \end{array}$$



$$\mathcal{H}_{m} \mathbf{R}_{m} = \sum_{(ij)} \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{M}_{m}^{\dagger} \frac{3}{i} \mathcal{M}_{m}^{\dagger} \frac{1}{2}$$
$$\mathcal{H}_{m} \mathbf{V}_{m} = \sum_{(ij)} \mathcal{M}_{m}^{\dagger} \frac{i}{j} \mathcal{M}_{m}^{\dagger} + \mathcal{M}_{m}^{\dagger} \frac{i}{j} \mathcal{M}_{m}^{\dagger} \mathcal{M}_{m}^{\dagger}$$

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Imaginary part of the anomalous dimension:

For e+e-:

For pp:

$$\sum_{i \neq j} \mathbf{T}_i \cdot \mathbf{T}_j = -\sum_i \mathbf{T}_i^2 = -\sum_i C_i \qquad \sum_{(ij)} T_i \cdot T_j \Pi_{ij} = 2 T_1 \cdot T_2 + \sum_{i=3} T_i \cdot (-T_1 - T_2 - T_i)$$
$$= 2 T_1 \cdot T_2 + (T_1 + T_2) \cdot (T_1 + T_2) - \sum_{i=3}^m C_i^2$$
$$= 4 T_1 \cdot T_2 + C_1^2 + C_2^2 - \sum_{i=3}^m C_i^2$$
Non trivial

Extracting the collinear singularities:  $\overline{W}_{ij}^k = \frac{n_i \cdot n_j}{n_i \cdot n_k n_j \cdot n_k} - \frac{\delta(n_k - n_i)}{n_i \cdot n_k} - \frac{\delta(n_k - n_j)}{n_j \cdot n_k}$ 

$$\begin{split} \boldsymbol{V}_{m} &= 2\sum_{(ij)} \left( \boldsymbol{T}_{i,L} \cdot \boldsymbol{T}_{j,L} + \boldsymbol{T}_{i,R} \cdot \boldsymbol{T}_{j,R} \right) \left\{ -\ln \frac{\mu^{2}}{Q^{2}} + \int \frac{d\Omega(n_{k})}{4\pi} \overline{W}_{ij}^{k} \right\} \\ &- 2i\pi \sum_{(ij)} \left( \boldsymbol{T}_{i,L} \cdot \boldsymbol{T}_{j,L} - \boldsymbol{T}_{i,R} \cdot \boldsymbol{T}_{j,R} \right) \Pi_{ij}, \\ \boldsymbol{R}_{m} &= 4\sum_{(ij)} \boldsymbol{T}_{i,L} \cdot \boldsymbol{T}_{j,R} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left[ \delta(n_{k} - n_{i}) + \delta(n_{k} - n_{j}) \right] \ln \frac{\mu^{2}}{Q^{2}} - \overline{W}_{ij}^{m+1} \Theta_{\mathrm{in}}(n_{m+1}) \right\} \end{split}$$

#### The one-loop anomalous dimension is

$$V_{m} = \overline{V}_{m} + V^{I} + \sum_{i=1}^{m} V_{i}^{C} \ln \frac{\mu^{2}}{Q^{2}}, \qquad \mathcal{H}_{m} R_{C} = \underbrace{1}_{2} \underbrace{\mathcal{H}_{m}}_{::} \underbrace{1}_{2} + \underbrace{1}_{2} \underbrace{\mathcal{H}_{m}}_{::} \underbrace{1}_{2} + \underbrace{1}_{2} \underbrace{\mathcal{H}_{m}}_{:} \underbrace{1}_{2} \underbrace{1}_{2} \underbrace{\mathcal{H}_{m}}_{:} \underbrace{1}_{2} \underbrace{\mathcal{H}_{m}}_{:} \underbrace{1}_{2} \underbrace{\mathcal{H}_{m}}_{:} \underbrace{1}_{2} \underbrace{\mathcal{H}_{m}}_{:} \underbrace{1}_{2} \underbrace{1}_{2} \underbrace{\mathcal{H}_{m}}_{:} \underbrace{1}_{2} \underbrace{1}_{2} \underbrace{\mathcal{H}_{m}}_{:} \underbrace{1}_{2} \underbrace{1}_{2$$

### **Super-leading logs from RG evolution**

(Becher, Neubert, DYS, '21)

Consider the processes  $q_1 q_2' \rightarrow q_3 q_4'$ 

**LO hard function:**  $\mathcal{H}_4 = t^a_{\alpha_3\alpha_1} t^a_{\alpha_4\alpha_2} t^b_{\beta_1\beta_3} t^b_{\beta_2\beta_4} \sigma_0$ 

Expand the expansion kernel (Becher, Neubert, Rothen, DYS '16 PRL)

$$\mathcal{H}_{4} U(\mu_{s}, \mu_{h}) = \mathcal{H}_{4} \mathbf{P} \exp\left[\int_{\mu_{s}}^{\mu_{h}} \frac{d\mu}{\mu} \mathbf{\Gamma}^{H}(Q, \mu)\right]$$
$$= \mathcal{H}_{4} + \int_{\mu_{s}}^{\mu_{h}} \frac{d\mu}{\mu} \mathcal{H}_{4} \mathbf{\Gamma}^{H}(Q, \mu) + \int_{\mu_{s}}^{\mu_{h}} \frac{d\mu}{\mu} \int_{\mu}^{\mu_{h}} \frac{d\mu'}{\mu'} \mathcal{H}_{4} \mathbf{\Gamma}^{H}(Q, \mu') \mathbf{\Gamma}^{H}(Q, \mu)$$

The first non-zero contribution of has factor arises at 3-loop order

$$S^{(3)} = \left\langle \mathcal{H}_4 \mathbf{V}^I \mathbf{V}^I (\overline{\mathbf{V}}_4 + \overline{\mathbf{R}}_4) \right\rangle \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi}\right)^3 \frac{1}{3!} \ln^3 \left(\frac{Q}{\mu}\right) = -\left(\frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi}\right)^3 \frac{16 C_F}{3} \pi^2 L_Q^3 J_1 \sigma_0$$
$$J_1 = 2\Delta Y \operatorname{sign}(\eta_J)$$

Super-leading logs at 4-loop order:

$$S_0^{(4)} = \left\langle \mathcal{H}_4 \mathbf{V}^I \left[ \sum_{i=1}^4 \mathbf{V}_i^L \mathbf{V}^I (\overline{\mathbf{V}}_4 + \overline{\mathbf{R}}_4) + \sum_{i=1}^4 \mathbf{R}_i^L \mathbf{V}^I (\overline{\mathbf{V}}_5 + \overline{\mathbf{R}}_5) \right] \right\rangle \left( \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \right)^4 \frac{(-2)}{5!} \ln^5 \left( \frac{Q}{\mu} \right)$$

### **All-order results of super-leading logs**

(Becher, Neubert, DYS '21)



$$S_O = \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^3 \pi^2 \ln^3 \frac{Q}{\mu_s} \frac{1}{N_c} \left[N_c^2 \left(4f_1(w) - 2f_\delta(w)\right) - 4f_2(\omega) + 2f_\delta(w)\right) \Delta Y \sigma_0$$

Sudakov suppression of the superleading logarithms is weaker than the one present for global observables



#### $\sqrt{\hat{s}} = 500 \text{ GeV}, \Delta Y = 2$ $\Delta \hat{\sigma} / \hat{\sigma}_B [\%]$ 0 O: N = 1-- S: N = 1O: N = 2----- S: N = 2 $O: N = \infty$ ---- $S: N = \infty$ -1025 35 45 50 20 30 40 $Q_0$ [GeV]

**Blue: Five loop** 

**Black: all order** 

**Red: Four loop** 

#### Numerical results

### Summary

- If the radiation in a high-energy scattering process is restricted by experimental cuts, higher-order terms in the perturbative series are enhanced by large logarithms
- The simple structure of these emissions often makes it possible to resum the logarithmic terms to all orders, either analytically or using parton-shower methods.
- For exclusive jet cross sections at hadron colliders where a veto on radiation is imposed only in certain regions, even the LLs have a complicated structure
- We derive the all-order structure of SLLs for generic 2 → N scattering processes at hadron colliders and resum them in closed form
- Our findings indicate that SLLs could have an appreciable effect on precision observables, in particular in Higgs production via VBF

