NNLO QCD corrections to Quarkonium production and decay

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Nonrelativistic QCD (NRQCD): Paradigm of EFT, tailored for describing heavy quarkonium dynamics: exploiting NR nature of quarkonium

Caswell, Lepage (1986); Bodwin, Braaten, Lepage (1995)



NRQCD Lagrangian (characterized by velocity expansion)

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{NRQCD}} &= \mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{light}} + \mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{heavy}} + \delta \mathcal{L}. \\ \mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{light}} &= -\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{tr} \, G_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu} + \sum \bar{q} \, i \not\!\!\!D q, \\ \mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{heavy}} &= \psi^{\dagger} \left(i D_{t} + \frac{\mathbf{D}^{2}}{2M} \right) \psi + \chi^{\dagger} \left(i D_{t} - \frac{\mathbf{D}^{2}}{2M} \right) \chi, \\ \delta \mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{bilinear}} &= \frac{c_{1}}{8M^{3}} \left(\psi^{\dagger} (\mathbf{D}^{2})^{2} \psi - \chi^{\dagger} (\mathbf{D}^{2})^{2} \chi \right) \\ &+ \frac{c_{2}}{8M^{2}} \left(\psi^{\dagger} (\mathbf{D} \cdot g \mathbf{E} - g \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{D}) \psi + \chi^{\dagger} (\mathbf{D} \cdot g \mathbf{E} - g \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{D}) \chi \right) \\ &+ \frac{c_{3}}{8M^{2}} \left(\psi^{\dagger} (i \mathbf{D} \times g \mathbf{E} - g \mathbf{E} \times i \mathbf{D}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \psi + \chi^{\dagger} (i \mathbf{D} \times g \mathbf{E} - g \mathbf{E} \times i \mathbf{D}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \chi \right) \\ &+ \frac{c_{4}}{2M} \left(\psi^{\dagger} (g \mathbf{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}) \psi - \chi^{\dagger} (g \mathbf{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}) \chi \right), \end{split}$$

Identical to HQET, but with different power counting

NRQCD is the mainstream tool in studying **<u>quarkonium</u>** (see Brambilla et al. EPJC 2011 for a review)

- Nowadays, NRQCD becomes standard approach to tackle various quarkonium production and decay processes:
 - Charmonia: $v^2/c^2 \sim 0.3$ not truly non-relativistic to some extent $v^2/c^2 \sim 0.1$ a better "non-relativistic" system Bottomonia:

Exemplified by

 $e^+e^- \rightarrow J/\psi + \eta_c$ at B factories (exclusive charmonium production) **Unpolarized/polarized** J/ψ production at hadron colliders (inclusive) Very active field in recent years (Chao's group, Kniehl's group, Wang's group, Bodwin's group, Qiu's group ...) marked by a plenty of PRLs 5

The strategy of determining the NRQCD short-distance coefficients (NRQCD SDCs)

In principle, NRQCD short-distance coefficients can be computed via the standard perturbative matching procedure:

Computing simultaneously amplitudes in both perturbative QCD and NRQCD, then solve the equations to determine the NRQCD SDCs.

Threshold phenomenon is signaled by four relevant modes: hard (k^µ ~ m), potential (k⁰~mv², |k|~ mv), soft (k^µ~ mv), ultrasoft (k^µ~ mv²). Elucidated by the Strategy of region by Beneke & Smirnov 1997

The NRQCD SDCs is associated with the contribution from hard region Practically, one often directly extract the hard-region contribution in an arbitrary multi-loop diagrams We then lose track of IR threshold symptom such as Coulomb singularity The ubiquitous symptom of NRQCD factorization: often plagued with huge QCD radiative correction

Most of the NRQCD successes based on the NLO QCD predictions.

However, the NLO QCD corrections are often large:

$$e^+e^- \to J/\psi + \eta_c$$

$$e^+e^- \to J/\psi + J/\psi$$

$$p + p \to J/\psi + X$$

$$J/\psi \to \gamma\gamma\gamma$$

K factor: $1.8 \sim 2.1$ Zhang et.al.K factor: $-0.31 \sim 0.25$ Gong et.al.K factor: ~ 2 Campbell et.al.K factor: ≤ 0 Mackenzie et.al.

The existing NNLO corrections are rather **few**: all related to S-wave quarkonium **decay**

1. $Y(J/\Psi) \rightarrow e^+ e^-$

NNLO corrections were first computed by two groups in 1997:

Czarnecki and Melkinov; Beneke, Smirnov, and Signer;

N3LO correction available very recently: Steinhausser et al. (2013)



2. $\eta_c \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$

NNLO correction was computed by Czarnecki and Melkinov (2001) : (neglecting light-by-light)

3. $B_c \rightarrow l v$:

NNLO correction computed by Onishchenko, Veretin (2003); Chen and Qiao, (2015) Perturbative convergence of these decay processes appears to be rather poor

$$\Gamma(J/\psi \to \ell\ell) = \Gamma^{(0)} \left[1 - \frac{8}{3} \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} - (44.55 - 0.41 \, n_f) \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^2 \right]^2 + (-2091 + 120.66 \, n_f - 0.82 \, n_f^2) \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^3 \Gamma(B_c \to \ell\nu) = \Gamma^{(0)} \left[1 - 1.39 \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} - 23.7 \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^2 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3) \right]^2 \Gamma(\eta_c \to \gamma\gamma) = \Gamma^{(0)} \left[1 - 1.69 \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} - 56.52 \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^2 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3) \right]^2$$

So calculating the higher order QCD correction is imperative to test the usefulness of NRQCD factorization!

Investigation on $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \eta_c$ form factor **Experiment**

BaBar Collaboration: Phys. Rev. D81 (2010) 052010



 $q_2^2 \approx 0$ $q_1^2 = -Q^2 = (p' - p)^2$

Babar measures the $\gamma \gamma^* \rightarrow \eta_c$ transition form factor in the momentum transfer range from 2 to 50 GeV².

Digression: recall the surprise brought by BaBar two-photon experiment on $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^0$



Belle did not confirm BaBar measurement on $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^0$! Situation needs clarification



- Difference BABAR BELLE $\sim 2\sigma_{syst}$
- BELLE has lower detection efficiency (~factor 2)
- · BELLE has higher systematic uncertainties

Investigation on $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \eta_c$ form factor: There also exists BaBar measurements!

BaBar Collaboration: Phys. Rev. D81 (2010) 052010



Investigation on $\gamma \gamma^* \rightarrow \eta_c$ form factor **Experiment**

BaBar Collaboration: Phys. Rev. D81 (2010) 052010



The solid curve is from a simple monopole fit:

$$|F(Q^2)/F(0)| = \frac{1}{1 + Q^2/\Lambda}$$

with $\Lambda = 8.5 \pm 0.6 \pm 0.7 \; \mathrm{GeV^2}$

The dotted curve is from pQCD prediction

Feldmann and Kroll, Phys. Lett. B 413, 410 (1997)

Investigation on $\gamma \gamma^* \rightarrow \eta_c$ form factor **Previous investigation**

- \succ k_{\perp} factorization:
- Lattice QCD:
- > J/ψ -pole-dominance: Lees *et.al.*,
- > QCD sum rules: Lucha *et.al.*,
- light-front quark model: Geng et.al.,
- Dyson-Schwinger approach: Chang, Chen, Ding, Liu, Roberts, 2016

All yield predictions compatible with the data, at least in the small Q^2 range.

So far, so good. Unlike $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^0$, there is no open puzzle here

Feldmann *et.al.*, Cao *and Huang* Dudek *et.al.*,

Investigation on $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \eta_c$ form factor **Motivation**

 Model-independent method is always welcome. (NRQCD is the first principle approach from QCD)

- In the normalized form factor, nonperturbative NRQCD matrix element cancels out. Therefore, our predictions are free from any freely adjustable parameters!
- Is LO/NLO NRQCD prediction sufficient?
- The momentum transfer is not large enough, we are not bothered by resumming the large collinear logarithms.

The first NNLO calculation for (exclusive) quarkonium production process

Feng, Jia, Sang, PRL 115, 222001 (2017)

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Can Nonrelativistic QCD Explain the $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \eta_c$ Transition Form Factor Data?

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Unlike the bewildering situation in the $\gamma\gamma^* \to \pi$ form factor, a widespread view is that perturbative QCD can decently account for the recent *BABAR* measurement of the $\gamma\gamma^* \to \eta_c$ transition form factor. The next-to-next-to-leading-order perturbative correction to the $\gamma\gamma^* \to \eta_{c,b}$ form factor, is investigated in the non-relativistic QCD (NRQCD) factorization framework for the first time. As a byproduct, we obtain, by far, the most precise order- α_s^2 NRQCD matching coefficient for the $\eta_{c,b} \to \gamma\gamma$ process. After including the substantial negative order- α_s^2 correction, the good agreement between NRQCD prediction and the measured $\gamma\gamma^* \to \eta_c$ form factor is completely ruined over a wide range of momentum transfer squared. This eminent discrepancy casts some doubts on the applicability of the NRQCD approach to hard exclusive reactions involving charmonium.

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Investigation on $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \eta_c$ form factor

Definition for form factor:

$$\langle \eta_c(p) | J^{\mu} | \gamma(k,\varepsilon) \rangle = i e^2 \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \varepsilon_{\nu} q_{\rho} k_{\sigma} F(Q^2)$$

NRQCD factorization demands:

$$F(Q^2) = C(Q, m, \mu_R, \mu_\Lambda) \xrightarrow{\langle \eta_c | \psi^{\dagger} \chi(\mu_\Lambda) | 0 \rangle} F(Q^2) + O(v^2)$$
Short-distance coefficient (SDC)
We are going to compute it to NNLO

$$\overline{R_{\eta_c}}(\Lambda) = \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{N_c}} \langle 0 | \chi^{\dagger} \varphi(\Lambda) | \eta_c \rangle,$$

$$\overline{R_{\psi}}(\Lambda) \epsilon = \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{N_c}} \langle 0 | \chi^{\dagger} \sigma \psi(\Lambda) | \psi(\epsilon) \rangle,$$
(18)

Investigation on $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \eta_c$ form factor Perturbative series for NRQCD SDCs

Upon general consideration, the SDC can be written as

$$C(Q, m, \mu_R, \mu_\Lambda) = C^{(0)}(Q, m) \left\{ 1 + C_F \frac{\alpha_s(\mu_R)}{\pi} f^{(1)}(\tau) + \frac{\alpha_s^2}{\pi^2} \left[\frac{\beta_0}{4} \ln \frac{\mu_R^2}{Q^2 + m^2} C_F f^{(1)}(\tau) - \pi^2 C_F \left(C_F + \frac{C_A}{2} \right) \right] \right\}$$

$$\times \ln \frac{\mu_\Lambda}{m} + f^{(2)}(\tau) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3) \left\{ \right\}, \quad \text{IR pole matches anomalous dimension of NIPOCD reserved} \right\}$$

RG invariance

IR pole matches **anomalous dimension** of NRQCD pseudoscalar density

Investigation on $\gamma \gamma^* \rightarrow \eta_c$ form factor Theoretical calculation

$$C^{(0)}(Q,m) = \frac{4e_c^2}{Q^2 + 4m^2} \qquad \text{Tree-level SDC}$$

$$f^{(1)}(\tau) = \frac{\pi^2(3-\tau)}{6(4+\tau)} - \frac{20+9\tau}{4(2+\tau)} - \frac{\tau(8+3\tau)}{4(2+\tau)^2} \ln\frac{4+\tau}{2} + 3\sqrt{\frac{\tau}{4+\tau}} \tanh^{-1}\sqrt{\frac{\tau}{4+\tau}} + \frac{2-\tau}{4+\tau} \left(\tanh^{-1}\sqrt{\frac{\tau}{4+\tau}} \right)^2 - \frac{\tau}{2(4+\tau)} \text{Li}_2 \left(-\frac{2+\tau}{2} \right),$$
$$\tau \equiv \frac{Q^2}{m^2}$$
NLO QCD correction

Investigation on $\gamma \gamma^* \rightarrow \eta_c$ form factor Feynman diagrams



Investigation on $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \eta_c$ form factor **NNLO corrections**



Investigation on $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \eta_c$ form factor **NNLO corrections**

au	1	5	10	25	50
$f_{\rm reg}^{(2)}$	-59.420(6)	-61.242(6)	-61.721(7)	-61.843(8)	-61.553(8)
$f^{(2)}$	0.49(1)	-0.48(1)	-1.10(1)	-2.13(1)	-3.07(1)
$J_{\rm lbl}$	-0.65(1)i	-0.72(1)i	-0.71(1)i	-0.69(1)i	-0.68(1)i
$f_{\rm reg}^{(2)}$	-59.636(6)	-61.278(6)	-61.716(7)	-61.864(8)	-61.668(8)
f (2)	0.79(1)	-5.61(1)	-9.45(1)	-15.32(1)	-20.26(1)
$J_{\rm lbl}$	-12.45(1)i	-13.55(1)i	-13.83(1)i	-14.03(1)i	-14.10(1)i

Table 1: $f_{\text{reg}}^{(2)}(\tau)$ and $f_{\text{lbl}}^{(2)}(\tau)$ at some typical values of τ . The first two rows for η_c and the last two for η_b .

Contribution from light-by-light is not always negligible!

Investigation on $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \eta_c$ form factor **Theory vs Experiment**

Our Prediction is free of nonperturbative parameters!







Convergence of perturbation series is reasonably well. Await **CEPC/ILC** to test our predictions? As a by-product, we also have a complete NNLO prediction for $\eta_c \rightarrow 2\gamma$ (including "light-by-light" diagrams)

We can focus on form factor at $Q^2 = 0$:



NNLO (regular)

Updated NNLO predictions to $\eta \rightarrow 2\gamma$

NNLO correction was previously computed by Czarnecki and Melkinov (2001) (neglecting light-by-light);

Here we present a complete/highly precise NNLO predictions

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Form factor at Q² =0:

$$F(0) = \frac{e_c^2}{m^{5/2}} \langle \eta_c | \psi^{\dagger} \chi(\mu_{\Lambda}) | 0 \rangle \left\{ 1 + C_F \frac{\alpha_s(\mu_R)}{\pi} \left(\frac{\pi^2}{8} - \frac{5}{2} \right) \right. + \frac{\alpha_s^2}{m^2} \left[C_F \left(\frac{\pi^2}{8} - \frac{5}{2} \right) \frac{\beta_0}{4} \ln \frac{\mu_R^2}{m^2} - \frac{\pi^2 C_F \left(C_F + \frac{C_A}{2} \right) \ln \frac{\mu_A}{m^2}}{m^2} + f_{reg}^{(2)}(0) + f_{lbl}^{(2)}(0) \right] + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3) \right\},$$
NRQCD factorization scale dependence

$$\Gamma(\eta_c \rightarrow 2\gamma) = (\pi \alpha^2/4) |F(0)|^2 M_{\eta_c}^3.$$

A recent paper by Wu, Brodsky et al. (1804.06106) claims that PMC+fixed NNLO can resolve this puzzle.

A solution to the $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \eta_c$ puzzle using the Principle of Maximum Conformality

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The next-to-next-to-leading order (NNLO) pQCD prediction for the $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \eta_c$ form factor was evaluated in 2015 using nonrelativistic QCD (NRQCD). A strong discrepancy between the NRQCD prediction and the BaBar measurements was observed. Until now there has been no solution for this puzzle. In this paper, we present a NNLO analysis by applying the Principle of Maximum Conformality (PMC) to set the renormalization scale. By carefully dealing with the light-by-light diagrams at the NNLO level, the resulting high precision PMC prediction agrees with the BaBar measurements within errors, and the conventional renormalization scale uncertainty is eliminated. The PMC is consistent with all of the requirements of the renormalization group, including schemeindependence. The application of the PMC thus provides a rigorous solution for the $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \eta_c$ form factor puzzle, emphasizing the importance of correct renormalization scale-setting. The results also support the applicability of NRQCD to hard exclusive processes involving charmonium.

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FIG. 4: The NNLO ratio $|F(Q^2)/F(0)|$ versus Q^2 using conventional (Up) and PMC (Down) scale-settings for different values for the quark mass m_c and the factorization scale μ_{Λ} .

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Complete NNLO correction to $\eta_c \rightarrow \text{light hadrons}$ (first NNLO calculation for inclusive process involving quarkonium) Feng, Jia, Sang, PRL 119, 252001 (2017)

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Next-to-Next-to-Leading-Order QCD Corrections to the Hadronic Width of Pseudoscalar Quarkonium

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We compute the next-to-next-to-leading-order QCD corrections to the hadronic decay rates of the pseudoscalar quarkonia, at the lowest order in velocity expansion. The validity of nonrelativistic QCD (NRQCD) factorization for inclusive quarkonium decay process, for the first time, is verified to relative order α_c^2 . As a by-product, the renormalization group equation of the leading NRQCD four-fermion operator $\mathcal{O}_1(^1S_0)$ is also deduced to this perturbative order. By incorporating this new piece of correction together with available relativistic corrections, we find that there exists severe tension between the state-of-the-art NRQCD predictions and the measured η_c hadronic width and, in particular, the branching fraction of $\eta_c \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$. NRQCD appears to be capable of accounting for η_b hadronic decay to a satisfactory degree, and our most refined prediction is Br($\eta_b \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$) = (4.8 ± 0.7) × 10^{-5}.

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NLO perturbative corr. 1979/1980

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40 years lapsed from NLO to NNLO;

Another ??? years to transition into NNNLO QCD corrections?

Promising only if Alpha-Loop takes

NRQCD factorization for $\eta_c \rightarrow \text{light}$ hadrons – up to relative order-v⁴ corrections

Bodwin, Petrelli PRD (2002) $\Gamma({}^{1}S_{0} \rightarrow \text{LH}) = \frac{F_{1}({}^{1}S_{0})}{...2} \langle {}^{1}S_{0} | \mathcal{O}_{1}({}^{1}S_{0}) | {}^{1}S_{0} \rangle$ $+\frac{G_{1}({}^{1}S_{0})}{{}^{1}S_{0}}\langle {}^{1}S_{0}|\mathcal{P}_{1}({}^{1}S_{0})|{}^{1}S_{0}\rangle$ + $\frac{F_8({}^3S_1)}{...2}\langle {}^1S_0 | \mathcal{O}_8({}^3S_1) | {}^1S_0 \rangle$ + $\frac{F_{8}({}^{1}S_{0})}{...2}\langle {}^{1}S_{0}|\mathcal{O}_{8}({}^{1}S_{0})|{}^{1}S_{0}\rangle$ $+ \frac{F_{8}({}^{1}P_{1})}{...4} \langle {}^{1}S_{0} | \mathcal{O}_{8}({}^{1}P_{1}) | {}^{1}S_{0} \rangle$ $+\frac{H_{1}^{1}({}^{1}S_{0})}{{}_{\cdots}{}_{6}}\langle {}^{1}S_{0}|\mathcal{Q}_{1}^{1}({}^{1}S_{0})|{}^{1}S_{0}\rangle$ $+ \frac{H_1^2({}^1S_0)}{6} \langle {}^1S_0 | \mathcal{Q}_1^2({}^1S_0) | \, {}^1S_0 \rangle.$

$$\mathcal{D}_1({}^1S_0) = \psi^{\dagger} \chi \chi^{\dagger} \psi, \qquad (2.2a)$$

$$\mathcal{P}_{1}({}^{1}S_{0}) = \frac{1}{2} \bigg[\psi^{\dagger} \chi \chi^{\dagger} \bigg(-\frac{i}{2} \vec{\mathbf{D}} \bigg)^{2} \psi + \psi^{\dagger} \bigg(-\frac{i}{2} \vec{\mathbf{D}} \bigg)^{2} \chi \chi^{\dagger} \psi \bigg],$$
(2.2b)

$$\mathcal{O}_{8}({}^{3}S_{1}) = \psi^{\dagger} \boldsymbol{\sigma} T_{a} \chi \cdot \chi^{\dagger} \boldsymbol{\sigma} T_{a} \psi, \qquad (2.2c)$$

$$\mathcal{D}_{8}({}^{1}S_{0}) = \psi^{\dagger}T_{a}\chi\chi^{\dagger}T_{a}\psi, \qquad (2.2d)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{8}({}^{1}P_{1}) = \psi^{\dagger} \left(-\frac{i}{2} \vec{\mathbf{D}} \right) T_{a} \chi \cdot \chi^{\dagger} \left(-\frac{i}{2} \vec{\mathbf{D}} \right) T_{a} \psi, \qquad (2.2e)$$

$$\mathcal{Q}_{1}^{1}({}^{1}S_{0}) = \psi^{\dagger} \left(-\frac{i}{2}\vec{\mathbf{D}}\right)^{2} \chi \chi^{\dagger} \left(-\frac{i}{2}\vec{\mathbf{D}}\right)^{2} \psi, \qquad (2.2f)$$

$$\mathcal{Q}_{1}^{2}({}^{1}S_{0}) = \frac{1}{2} \left[\psi^{\dagger} \chi \chi^{\dagger} \left(-\frac{i}{2} \vec{\mathbf{D}} \right)^{4} \psi + \psi^{\dagger} \left(-\frac{i}{2} \vec{\mathbf{D}} \right)^{4} \chi \chi^{\dagger} \psi \right],$$
(2.2g)

$$2_{1}^{3}({}^{1}S_{0}) = \frac{1}{2} [\psi^{\dagger}\chi\chi^{\dagger}(\vec{\mathbf{D}} \cdot g\mathbf{E} + g\mathbf{E} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{D}})\psi - \psi^{\dagger}(\vec{\mathbf{D}} \cdot g\mathbf{E} + g\mathbf{E} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{D}})\chi\chi^{\dagger}\psi], \qquad (2.2h)$$

NRQCD factorization for $\eta_c \rightarrow \text{light}$ hadrons – up to relative order-v⁴ corrections

Brambilla, Mereghetti, Vairo, 0810.2259

 $\Gamma({}^{1}S_{0} \to \text{l.h.}) = \frac{2 \operatorname{Im} f_{1}({}^{1}S_{0})}{M^{2}} \langle H({}^{1}S_{0}) | \mathcal{O}_{1}({}^{1}S_{0}) | H({}^{1}S_{0}) \rangle$ $+\frac{2\operatorname{Im} g_{1}({}^{1}S_{0})}{M^{4}}\langle H({}^{1}S_{0})|\mathcal{P}_{1}({}^{1}S_{0})|H({}^{1}S_{0})\rangle +\frac{2\operatorname{Im} f_{8}({}^{3}S_{1})}{M^{2}}\langle H({}^{1}S_{0})|\mathcal{O}_{8}({}^{3}S_{1})|H({}^{1}S_{0})\rangle$ $+\frac{2\operatorname{Im} f_8({}^{1}S_0)}{M^2}\langle H({}^{1}S_0)|\mathcal{O}_8({}^{1}S_0)|H({}^{1}S_0)\rangle +\frac{2\operatorname{Im} f_8({}^{1}P_1)}{M^4}\langle H({}^{1}S_0)|\mathcal{O}_8({}^{1}P_1)|H({}^{1}S_0)\rangle$ $+\frac{2\operatorname{Im} s_{1-8}({}^{1}S_{0}, {}^{3}S_{1})}{M4}\langle H({}^{1}S_{0})|\mathcal{S}_{1-8}({}^{1}S_{0}, {}^{3}S_{1})|H({}^{1}S_{0})\rangle +\frac{2\operatorname{Im} f_{8\,\mathrm{cm}}'}{M4}\langle H({}^{1}S_{0})|\mathcal{O}_{8\,\mathrm{cm}}'|H({}^{1}S_{0})\rangle$ $+\frac{2\operatorname{Im} g_{8a\,\mathrm{cm}}}{M^4}\langle H({}^1S_0)|\mathcal{P}_{8a\,\mathrm{cm}}|H({}^1S_0)\rangle+\frac{2\operatorname{Im} f_{1\,\mathrm{cm}}}{M^4}\langle H({}^1S_0)|\mathcal{O}_{1\,\mathrm{cm}}|H({}^1S_0)\rangle$ $+\frac{2\operatorname{Im} h_1'({}^{1}S_0)}{M^6}\langle H({}^{1}S_0)|\mathcal{Q}_1'({}^{1}S_0)|H({}^{1}S_0)\rangle +\frac{2\operatorname{Im} h_1''({}^{1}S_0)}{M^6}\langle H({}^{1}S_0)|\mathcal{Q}_1''({}^{1}S_0)|H({}^{1}S_0)\rangle$ $+\frac{2\operatorname{Im} g_8({}^{3}S_1)}{M^4}\langle H({}^{1}S_0)|\mathcal{P}_8({}^{3}S_1)|H({}^{1}S_0)\rangle+\frac{2\operatorname{Im} g_8({}^{1}S_0)}{M^4}\langle H({}^{1}S_0)|\mathcal{P}_8({}^{1}S_0)|H({}^{1}S_0)\rangle$ $+\frac{2\mathrm{Im}\,g_8({}^1P_1)}{M^6}\langle H({}^1S_0)|\mathcal{P}_8({}^1P_1)|H({}^1S_0)\rangle+\frac{2\mathrm{Im}\,h_8'({}^1S_0)}{M^6}\langle H({}^1S_0)|\mathcal{Q}_8'({}^1S_0)|H({}^1S_0)\rangle$ $+\frac{2\mathrm{Im}\,h_8({}^1D_2)}{M^6}\langle H({}^1S_0)|\mathcal{Q}_8({}^1D_2)|H({}^1S_0)\rangle+\frac{2\mathrm{Im}\,h_1({}^1D_2)}{M^6}\langle H({}^1S_0)|\mathcal{Q}_1({}^1D_2)|H({}^1S_0)\rangle$ $+\frac{2\mathrm{Im}\,d_8({}^{1}S_0,{}^{1}P_1)}{M^5}\langle H({}^{1}S_0)|\mathcal{D}_{8-8}({}^{1}S_0,{}^{1}P_1)|H({}^{1}S_0)\rangle,$

Notice the explosion of number of higher-dimensional operators! 31

NRQCD factorization for $\eta_c \rightarrow \text{light}$ hadrons – Current status of radiative corrections

$$\Gamma(\eta_c \to \text{LH}) = \frac{F_1({}^1S_0)}{m^2} \langle \eta_c | \mathcal{O}_1({}^1S_0) | \eta_c$$
$$+ \frac{G_1({}^1S_0)}{m^4} \langle \eta_c | \mathcal{P}_1({}^1S_0) | \eta_c \rangle + \mathcal{O}(v^3\Gamma),$$

To warrant predictive power, we only retain terms through relative order- v^2

$$F_1({}^1S_0) = \frac{\pi \alpha_s^2 C_F}{N_c} \left\{ 1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} f_1 + \frac{\alpha_s^2}{\pi^2} f_2 + \cdots \right\}$$
$$G_1({}^1S_0) = -\frac{4\pi \alpha_s^2 C_F}{3N_c} \left\{ 1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} g_1 + \cdots \right\}.$$

W.Y.Keung, I. Muzinich, 1983

$$f_{1} = \frac{\beta_{0}}{2} \ln \frac{\mu_{R}^{2}}{4m^{2}} + \left(\frac{\pi^{2}}{4} - 5\right) C_{F} + \left(\frac{199}{18} - \frac{13\pi^{2}}{24}\right) C_{A} \longrightarrow \text{Barbieri et al., 1979} \\ -\frac{8}{9} n_{L} - \frac{2n_{H}}{3} \ln 2, \qquad (3a) \qquad (3b) \qquad (3a) \qquad (3b) \qquad (3b)$$

Our calculation of short-distance coefficient utilizes Method of Region (Beneke and Smirnov 1998) to directly extract the hard region contribution from multi-loop diagrams



FIG. 1: Representative cut Feynman diagrams responsible for the quark reaction $c\bar{c}({}^{1}S_{0}^{(1)}) \rightarrow c\bar{c}({}^{1}S_{0}^{(1)})$ through NNLO in α_{s} . The vertical dashed line denotes the Cutkosky cut.

Roughly 1700 3-loop forward-scattering diagrams, divided into 4 distinct cut topologies; Cutkosky rule is imposed Employ a well-known trick to deal with phase-space type integrals

Key technique: using IBP to deal with phase-space integral

$$\int \frac{d^D p_i}{(2\pi)^D} 2\pi \, i \, \delta^+(p_i^2) = \int \frac{d^D p_i}{(2\pi)^D} \left(\frac{1}{p_i^2 + i\varepsilon} - \frac{1}{p_i^2 - i\varepsilon} \right).$$

duction. Finally, we end up with 93 MIs for the "Double Virtual" type of diagrams, 89 MIs for the "Virtual-Real" type of diagrams, and 32 MIs for "Double Real" type of diagrams, respectively. To the best of our knowledge, this work represents the first application of the trick (4) in higher-order calculation involving quarkonium.

The nontrivial aspects of the calculation

Encounter some rather time-consuming MIs using sector decomposition method (Fiesta)

Roughly speaking, 10⁵ CPU core hour is expensed; Run numerical integration at the GuangZhou Tianhe Supercomputer Center/ China Grid.

Explicitly verify the cancellation of IR poles among the 4 types of cut diagrams. Starting from the $1/\epsilon^4$ poles, observe the exquisite cancelation until $1/\epsilon$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{2} \int_{2} f_{2} + \frac{3\beta_{0}^{2}}{16} \ln^{2} \frac{\mu_{R}^{2}}{4m^{2}} + \left(\frac{\beta_{1}}{8} + \frac{3}{4}\beta_{0}\hat{f}_{1}\right) \ln \frac{\mu_{R}^{2}}{4m^{2}} \\ \int_{2} \int_{2} \int_{2} \frac{\beta_{2}}{16} \ln^{2} \frac{\mu_{R}^{2}}{4m^{2}} + \left(\frac{\beta_{1}}{8} + \frac{3}{4}\beta_{0}\hat{f}_{1}\right) \ln \frac{\mu_{R}^{2}}{4m^{2}} \\ \int_{2} \int_{2} \int_{2} \int_{2} \left(\frac{\beta_{2}}{2} + \frac{C_{A}C_{F}}{2}\right) \ln \frac{\mu_{A}^{2}}{m^{2}}, \\ \int_{2} \int_{2} \int_{2} \int_{2} \int_{2} \left(\frac{\beta_{2}}{2} + \frac{C_{A}C_{F}}{2}\right) \ln \frac{\mu_{A}^{2}}{m^{2}}, \\ \int_{2} \int_{2}$$

Validate the NRQCD factorization for S-wave onium inclusive decay at NNLO! We also obtain the following RGE for the leading 4-fermion NRQCD operator:

$$\frac{d\langle \mathcal{O}_1({}^1S_0)\rangle_{\eta_c}}{d\ln\mu_{\Lambda}^2} = \alpha_s^2 \left(C_F^2 + \frac{C_A C_F}{2} \right) \langle \mathcal{O}_1({}^1S_0)\rangle_{\eta_c} - \frac{4}{3} \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} C_F \frac{\langle \mathcal{P}_1({}^1S_0)\rangle_{\eta_c}}{m^2} + \cdots, \quad (7)$$

Phenomenological study: hadronic width



Input parameters:

$$\mathcal{O}_1({}^1S_0)\rangle_{\eta_c} = 0.470 \,\text{GeV}^3, \ \langle v^2 \rangle_{\eta_c} = \frac{0.430 \,\text{GeV}^2}{m_c^2}, \mathcal{O}_1({}^1S_0)\rangle_{\eta_b} = 3.069 \,\text{GeV}^3, \ \langle v^2 \rangle_{\eta_b} = -0.009.$$
(9)

PDG values: $\Gamma_{had}(\eta_c) = 31.8 \pm 0.8 \text{ MeV},$ $\Gamma_{had}(\eta_b) = 10^{+5}_{-4} \text{ MeV} \mid$

FIG. 2: The predicted hadronic widths of η_c (top) and η_b (bottom) as functions of μ_R , at various level of accuracy in α_s and v expansion. The horizontal blue bands correspond to the measured hadronic widths taken from PDG 2016 [4], with $\Gamma_{\rm had}(\eta_c) = 31.8 \pm 0.8 \text{ MeV} \text{ and } \Gamma_{\rm had}(\eta_b) = 10^{-4}_{\pm 5} \text{ MeV}.$ The label "LO" represents the NRQCD prediction at the lowestorder α_s and v, and the label "NLO" denotes the "LO" prediction plus the $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$ perturbative correction, while the label "NNLO" signifies the "NLO" prediction plus the $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$ perturbative correction. The label "vLO" represents the "LO" prediction together with the tree-level order- v^2 correction, and the label "vNLO" designates the "vLO" prediction supplemented with the relative order- α_s and order- $\alpha_s v^2$ correction, while the label "vNNLO" refers to the "vNLO" prediction further supplemented with the order- α_s^2 correction. The green bands are obtained by varying μ_{Λ} from 1 GeV to twice heavy quark mass, and the central curve inside the bands are obtained by setting μ_{Λ} equal to heavy quark mass.

Phenomenological study of $Br(\eta_{c,b} \rightarrow \gamma \gamma)$, Non-Perturbative matrix elements cancel out

$$Br(\eta_c \to \gamma\gamma) = \frac{8\alpha^2}{9\alpha_s^2} \Biggl\{ 1 - \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \Biggl[4.17 \ln \frac{\mu_R^2}{4m_c^2} + 14.00 \Biggr] + \frac{\alpha_s^2}{\pi^2} \Biggl[4.34 \ln^2 \frac{\mu_R^2}{4m_c^2} + 22.75 \ln \frac{\mu_R^2}{4m_c^2} + 78.8 \Biggr] + 2.24 \langle v^2 \rangle_{\eta_c} \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \Biggr\}, \qquad (10a)$$

$$Br(\eta_b \to \gamma\gamma) = \frac{\alpha^2}{18\alpha_s^2} \Biggl\{ 1 - \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \Biggl[3.83 \ln \frac{\mu_R^2}{4m_b^2} + 13.11 \Biggr] + \frac{\alpha_s^2}{\pi^2} \Biggl[3.67 \ln^2 \frac{\mu_R^2}{4m_b^2} + 20.30 \ln \frac{\mu_R^2}{4m_b^2} + 85.5 \Biggr] + 1.91 \langle v^2 \rangle_{\eta_b} \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \Biggr\}. \qquad (10b)$$

To date most refined predictior for $\eta_b \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$

$$Br(\eta_b \to \gamma\gamma) = (4.8 \pm 0.7) \times 10^{-5},$$



FIG. 3: The predicted branching fractions of $\eta_c \to \gamma\gamma$ (top) and $\eta_b \to \gamma\gamma$ (bottom) as functions of μ_R , at various level of accuracy in α_s and v. The blue band corresponds to the measured branching ratio for $\eta_c \to \gamma\gamma$ taken from PDG 2016 [4], with $\operatorname{Br}(\eta_c \to \gamma\gamma) = (1.59 \pm 0.13) \times 10^{-4}$. The labels characterizing different curves are the same as in Fig. 2.

Summary

- > Investigated NNLO QCD corrections to $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \eta_c$, $(\chi_{c0,2} \rightarrow 2\gamma)$, $\eta_c \rightarrow LH_o$ Observe significant NNLO corrections. Alarming discrepancy with the existing measurements.
- Perturbative expansion seems to have poor convergence behavior for charmonium
- Perturbative expansion bears much better behavior for bottomonium

Personal biased perspectives

Maybe Nature is just not so mercy to us:

The charm quark is simply not heavy enough to warrant the reliable application of NRQCD to charmonium, just like one cannot fully trust HQET to cope with charmed hadron

Symptom: mc is not much greater than Λ_{QCD} Bigger value of a_s at charm mass scale

But we should still trust NRQCD to be capable of rendering qualitatively correct phenomenology for charmonium

We may need be less ambitious for soliciting precision predictions 40

Digression: graviton search in quarkonium decay at BESIII experiments

Gravitational wave was finally seen by LIGO in 2015, after 100 years birth of General Relativity by Einstein



Recall, miraculously, both classical EW wave and photo-electric effect were discovered by Hertz in 1887

Unfortunately, searching for quantum graviton looks hopeless

General Relativity (GR) should be regarded as the low-energy EFT of quantum gravity (Donoghue 1994)

Einsein-Hilbert action

 $\kappa = \sqrt{32\pi G_N},$

$$S = S_{\text{grav}} + S_{\text{matt}} = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} (\mathcal{L}_{\text{grav}} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}}).$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{grav}} = -\Lambda - \left[\frac{2}{\kappa^2}R + c_1R^2 + c_2R^{\mu\nu}R_{\mu\nu} + \cdots, \right]$$
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} = -\frac{1}{4}g^{\mu\alpha}g^{\nu\beta}F_{\mu\nu}F_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{4}g^{\mu\alpha}g^{\nu\beta}G^a_{\mu\nu}G^a_{\alpha\beta} + \sum_f \bar{q}_f(i\gamma^a e^{\mu}_a D_{\mu} - m_f)q_f + \cdots.$$

Weak field expansion: $g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + \kappa h_{\mu\nu}$,

$$\mathcal{L}_{\rm int} = -\frac{\kappa}{2} h_{\mu\nu} T^{\mu\nu} = \mathcal{L}_{\bar{f}f\mathcal{G}} + \mathcal{L}_{\bar{f}fg\mathcal{G}} + \mathcal{L}_{\bar{f}f\gamma\mathcal{G}} + \mathcal{L}_{gg\mathcal{G}} + \mathcal{L}_{\gamma\gamma\mathcal{G}} + \cdots,$$

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FIG. 2: Representative Feynman diagrams for $c\bar{c}({}^{3}S_{1}^{(1)}) \rightarrow \gamma + \mathcal{G}$ in NLO in α_{s} . It is fun that all nature's four forces are united in those diagrams!

Predicted partial widths

Massless graviton: LO prediction accidently vanishes! Have to proceed to the NLO in a_s and v:

$$\Gamma[J/\psi \to \gamma + \mathcal{G}] = \frac{4e_c^2 \alpha G_N}{27} N_c \left| R_{J/\psi}(0) \right|^2 \left(\langle v^2 \rangle_{J/\psi} + \frac{3C_F \alpha_s}{4\pi} (1 - 4\ln 2) \right)^2.$$

Massive graviton: nonzero prediction at LO in v at tree level

$$\Gamma[J/\psi \to \gamma + \mathcal{G}] = \frac{2e_c^2 \alpha G_N}{9} N_c \left| R_{J/\psi}(0) \right|^2.$$

Manifestation of famous vDVZ discontinuity: helicity zero graviton doesn't decouple in the M_{G} ->0 limit

Numerical values

This decay is a golden channel to discriminate whether Graviton mass is strictly zero or not!

$$\begin{split} & \text{Br}(J/\psi \to \gamma + \mathcal{G}) = (2 \sim 8) \times 10^{-40}, & \text{GR} \\ & \text{Br}(J/\psi \to \gamma + \mathcal{G}) = 1.4 \times 10^{-37}. & \text{MG} \end{split}$$

Not too much suppressed relative to $\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$, with BR ~ 10⁻³⁴

Br(
$$\Upsilon(1S) \to \gamma + \mathcal{G}$$
) = (3 ~ 4) × 10⁻³⁹, GR
Br($\Upsilon(1S) \to \gamma + \mathcal{G}$) = 4.1 × 10⁻³⁷. MG

Practically speaking, these channels are much rarer than the dominant SM background $J/\Psi \rightarrow \gamma \nu \nu$, with BR ~ 10⁻¹⁰

$$\Gamma[J/\psi \to \gamma \nu \bar{\nu}] = N_{\nu} \frac{2}{27} e_c^2 \alpha G_F^2 M_{J/\psi}^2 N_c \left| R_{J/\psi}(0) \right|^2,$$

Thanks for your attention!