Single Top Production at the LHC

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✓ Introduction

✓ QCD corrections

✓ t-channel single top production

✓ s-channel single top production

✓ tW production

✓ Conclusion

Why top quark?

- ✓ Top quark is the heaviest elementary particle in the Standard Model
- ✓ Top-quark mass is related to the strength of the interaction between top-quark and Higgs-boson, which is essential to Higgs boson production at the LHC.
- ✓ Top quark might play a role of electroweak symmetry breaking
- ✓ The measurements at the LHC offer the ultimate precision in top quark physics
- ✓ Top quark is a good probe of new physics

How to produce top quark?

- Primarily pair production via the strong interaction
- ✓ single production via the Weak-interaction



- It has high precision of the experimental measurements of total and differential cross sections
- It is used to study many properties of the top quark



- \succ It allows measurement of V_{tb} per channel
- > It is Easier to check the chiral structure of Wtb vertex than $t\bar{t}$ production
- t-channel can be used to measurement the b quark density
- Sensitive to FCNC (t-channel), or W' resonances (s-channel)

Measurements of top quark pair production



Single Top quark production



CMS-PAS-TOP-17-023

Top quark properties

Top quark mass

ATLAS+CMS Preliminary LHC <i>top</i> WG	m_{top} summary, $\sqrt{s} = 7-13 \text{ TeV}$	November 2018
World comb. (Mar 2014) [2]	total stat	
total uncertainty	m _{ine} ± total (stat ± syst)	vs Ref.
LHC comb. (Sep 2013) LHCtopWG	173.29 ± 0.95 (0.35 ± 0.88)	7 TeV [1]
World comb. (Mar 2014)	$173.34 \pm 0.76 \; (0.36 \pm 0.67)$	1.96-7 TeV [2]
ATLAS, I+jets	$172.33 \pm 1.27 \; (0.75 \pm 1.02)$	7 TeV [3]
ATLAS, dilepton	173.79 ± 1.41 (0.54 ± 1.30)	7 TeV [3]
ATLAS, all jets	= 175.1±1.8 (1.4±1.2)	7 TeV [4]
ATLAS, single top	172.2 ± 2.1 (0.7 ± 2.0)	8 TeV [5]
ATLA dilepton	172.99 ± 0.85 (0.41± 0.74)	8 TeV [6]
ATLAS, all jets 🛛 🗖 🕨 🕂	173.72 ± 1.15 (0.55 ± 1.01)	8 TeV [7]
ATLA <mark>S</mark> , I+jets	$172.08 \pm 0.91~(0.39 \pm 0.82)$	8 TeV [8]
ATLA <mark>S</mark> comb. (Oct 2018) H ▼H	$172.69 \pm 0.48 \ (0.25 \pm 0.41)$	7+8 TeV [8]
CMS,I+jets	$173.49 \pm 1.06 \; (0.43 \pm 0.97)$	7 TeV [9]
CMS dilepton	$172.50 \pm 1.52\;(0.43 \pm 1.46)$	7 TeV [10]
CMS all jets	173.49 ± 1.41 (0.69 ± 1.23)	7 TeV [11]
CMS I+jets	$172.35 \pm 0.51 (0.16 \pm 0.48)$	8 TeV [12]
CMS, dilepton	$172.82 \pm 1.23 \ (0.19 \pm 1.22)$	8 TeV [12]
CMS, all jets	$172.32\pm0.64~(0.25\pm0.59)$	8 TeV [12]
CMS, single top	$172.95 \pm 1.22 \ (0.77 \pm 0.95)$	8 TeV [13]
CMS comb. (Sep 2015)	$172.44 \pm 0.48 \; (0.13 \pm 0.47)$	7+8 TeV [12]
CMS, I+jets	$172.25 \pm 0.63 \; (0.08 \pm 0.62)$	13 TeV [14]
CMS, dilepton	$172.33 \pm 0.70 (0.14 \pm 0.69)$	13 TeV [15]
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Helicity fractions of W bosons from top quark decays

Single top processes

Generic Cross Section in pQCD

Take s-channel single top as an example, other channels are similar.



- Fixed order calculations to improve the hard particle radiation
- Resummation is needed for the infrared sensitive radiations

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✓ Impressive agreement between experiment and theory:

Standard Model Total Production Cross Section Measurements Status: July 2018



Why resummation?

✓ At high energy, α_s is small, and the fixed order calculation is reliable ✓ Near the infrared region, there is a scale hierarchy between the high energy scale Q and infrared radiation scale μ_{IR} which produced large logarithmic terms $L = \ln \frac{\mu_{IR}}{Q}$

$$d\sigma \propto rac{1}{\mu_{IR}} \sum_n C_n \alpha_s^n \ln^{an+b} rac{\mu_{IR}}{Q}$$

Breakdown the convergence of the perturbative theory and resummation is needed!

For example the logarithms can be $\frac{\ln^n 1-z}{1-z}$, $\ln \frac{s_4}{M^2}$, $\ln \frac{q_T^2}{M^2}$, ...

$$1 - \frac{M^2}{s} = z \to 0$$

$$s + t + u - m_3^2 - m_4^2 = s_4 \to 0$$

 $\frac{q_T^2}{s} \to 0$

Partonic threshold resumantion

1-particle inclusive threshold resummation

Transverse momentum resummation

Factorization in SCET

✓ In general , the cross section can be factorized as (Bauer, Hornig, Tackmann, 2008)



Resummation in SCET

 $\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \boldsymbol{f}_a \otimes \boldsymbol{f}_b \otimes \boldsymbol{H} \otimes \boldsymbol{J} \otimes \boldsymbol{S}$

Short distance Wilson coefficient, can be obtain from fixed order QCD corrections.

Jet function

Hard function

Describes final collinear gluon emission from light parton, sensitive to algorithms for jet definition.

Soft function

Describes soft gluon radiation between energetic jet and heavy quark.

Factorization separates the physics for different scales, which are absorbed into hard, jet and soft functions, respectively.

The resummation is achieved by running the hard, soft and jet function to one common factorization scale



s-channel single top production



Fixed order calculations



- ✓ NLO QCD corrections for stable top quark
- ✓ NLO QCD corrections with top quark decay
- ✓ NLO QCD corrections + Parton Shower

Smith and Willenbrock, arXiv:hep-ph/9604223 Mrenna and Yuan, arXiv:hep-ph/9703224

Campbell et al arXiv:hep-ph/0408158 Cao and Yuan arXiv:hep-ph/0408180

Frixione et al arXiv:hep-ph/0512250 Frixione et al arXiv:0805.3067 Alioli et al arXiv:0907.4076

 NNLO QCD corrections without and with top quark decay: neglecting the color correlation between the light and heavy quark lines and in the narrow width approximation
 Liu and Gao arXiv:1807.03835

Inclusive cross

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inclusive		LO	NLO	NNLO	
8 TeV	$\sigma(t) [\mathrm{pb}]$	$2.498^{+0.17\%}_{-0.74\%}$	$3.382^{+2.36\%}_{-1.81\%}$	$3.566^{+0.95\%}_{-0.78\%}$	
	$\sigma(ar{t})[{ m pb}]$	$1.418^{+0.12\%}_{-0.73\%}$	$1.922^{+2.37\%}_{-1.81\%}$	$2.029^{+1.07\%}_{-0.83\%}$	
	$\sigma(t+\bar{t})$ [pb]	$3.916^{+0.15\%}_{-0.73\%}$	$5.304^{+2.36\%}_{-1.81\%}$	$5.595^{+0.99\%}_{-0.80\%}$	
	$\sigma(t)/\sigma(\bar{t})$	$1.762^{+0.04\%}_{-0.01\%}$	$1.760^{+0.00\%}_{-0.02\%}$	$1.757^{+0.05\%}_{-0.12\%}$	
10 0 17	$\sigma(t) [\mathrm{pb}]$	$4.775^{+2.69\%}_{-3.50\%}$	$6.447^{+1.39\%}_{-0.91\%}$	$6.778^{+0.76\%}_{-0.53\%}$	
13 TeV	$\sigma(\bar{t}) [{ m pb}]$	$2.998^{+2.69\%}_{-3.55\%}$	$4.043^{+1.33\%}_{-0.94\%}$	$4.249^{+0.69\%}_{-0.48\%}$	
	$\sigma(t+\bar{t})$ [pb]	$7.772^{+2.69\%}_{-3.52\%}$	$10.49^{+1.36\%}_{-0.92\%}$	$11.03^{+0.74\%}_{-0.51\%}$	
	$\sigma(t)/\sigma(\bar{t})$	$1.593^{+0.05\%}_{-0.01\%}$	$1.595^{+0.06\%}_{0.03\%}$	$1.595^{+0.07\%}_{-0.05\%}$	

Differentical cross



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Threshold limit is defined as $s_4 = s + t + u - m_t^2 \rightarrow 0$ HX. Zhu, C.S. Li, J.Wang, Zhang, arXiv:1006.0681

The cross section is factorized as

$$\sigma = \int_{m_t^2/s}^1 d\tau \int_{\tau}^1 \frac{dx_a}{x_a} \int_{m_t^2 - \hat{s}}^0 d\hat{t} \int_{0}^{s_4^{max}} ds_4 f_{i/N_a}(x_a, \mu_F) f_{j/N_b}(\tau/x_a, \mu_F) \frac{d\hat{\sigma}^{\text{thres}}}{d\hat{t}d\hat{u}},$$
where $s_4^{max} = \hat{s} + \hat{t} + m_t^2 \hat{s}/(\hat{t} - m_t^2)$, and
$$\frac{d\hat{\sigma}^{\text{thres}}}{d\hat{t}d\hat{u}} = \sum_{ij} \frac{\lambda_{0,ij}}{64\pi N_c^2 \hat{s}^2} \int_{0}^{s_4/(2E_1)} dk^+ \operatorname{Tr}[\mathbf{H}_R(\mu)\mathbf{S}_R(k^+, \mu)] J(s_4 - 2E_1k^+, \mu).$$
Hard function, summing logarithms of the form
$$\log(\mu_h/\mu) \qquad \log(\mu_s/\mu) \qquad \text{Iog}(\mu_s/\mu) \qquad \text{Iog}(\mu_s/\mu)$$

The logarithmic terms at NLO are

$$\sigma^{(1)} \propto \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \int ds_4 \left(c_0 \delta(s_4) + c_{-1} \left(\frac{1}{s_4} \right)_* + c_{-2} \left(\frac{\ln s_4 / m_t^2}{s_4} \right)_* \right)$$

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Zhu, C.S.Li, Wang, Zhang, arXiv:1006.0681

If desired, it can be used to generate higher order expansion of threshold singular terms. For example, the 2-loop singular terms are given by:



Total cross section for single top and anti-top production at the Tevatron and LHC

	$\sigma_{ m LO}$	$\sigma_{ m NLO}$	σ_{expand}	$\sigma_{ m RES}$
Tevatron (top)	$0.318^{+0.029}_{-0.024} \text{ pb}$	$0.443^{+0.024}_{-0.020} \text{ pb}$	$0.463^{+0.002}_{-0.004} \text{ pb}$	$0.467^{+0.010}_{-0.010} \text{ pb}$
Tevatron (anti-top)	$0.318^{+0.029}_{-0.024} \text{ pb}$	$0.443^{+0.024}_{-0.020} \text{ pb}$	$0.463^{+0.002}_{-0.004} \text{ pb}$	$0.467^{+0.010}_{-0.010} \text{ pb}$
LHC $(7 \text{ TeV}, \text{top})$	$2.03^{+0.01}_{-0.01} \text{ pb}$	$2.71^{+0.07}_{-0.05} \text{ pb}$	$2.82^{+0.06}_{-0.07}$ pb	$2.81^{+0.16}_{-0.10} \text{ pb}$
LHC (7 TeV, anti-top)	$1.14^{+0.01}_{-0.01} \text{ pb}$	$1.53^{+0.04}_{-0.03} \text{ pb}$	$1.60^{+0.03}_{-0.04} \text{ pb}$	$1.60^{+0.08}_{-0.05} \text{ pb}$
LHC (14 TeV, top)	$5.21^{+0.14}_{-0.18} \text{ pb}$	$6.91^{+0.09}_{-0.05} \text{ pb}$	$7.17^{+0.20}_{-0.25} \text{ pb}$	$7.11^{+0.47}_{-0.35} \text{ pb}$
LHC (14 TeV, anti-top)	$3.36^{+0.09}_{-0.12} \text{ pb}$	$4.46^{+0.03}_{-0.05} \text{ pb}$	$4.64^{+0.10}_{-0.18}$ pb	$4.61^{+0.28}_{-0.24} \text{ pb}$

We can see that the resummation effects enhance the NLO cross section by about 3%-5%. The total uncertainties is obtained from varying the hard, soft, jet and factorization scale separately by a factor ½ and 2, and then adding up the individual variations in quadrature.



Transverse resummation for s-channel top quark production

Sun, Yan, Yuan, arXiv:1811.01428

They considered $p + p \rightarrow t + jet + X$ Resummed the logarithmic terms $\ln \frac{q_T}{\rho}$, where $q_{\perp} = p_{t,\perp} + p_{j,\perp}$



t-channel single top production



T-channel Single Top Quark Production





In 4-Flavor scheme,

In 5-Flavor scheme,

 \checkmark There is no b-quark in the initial state.

- ✓ The LO process for t channel single top production is, for example, $ug \rightarrow d t b$
- ✓ the gluon splitting process brings $\ln(Q^2 + m_t^2) / m_b^2$, which converges rather slowly.

 \checkmark There is b-quark in the initial state.

✓ The LO process for t channel single top production is, for example, $ub \rightarrow d t$

- ✓ These logarithms from gluon splitting into bb are resummed to all orders in the b-quark PDF.
- ✓ It is easier to pursue high order QCD corrections

Fixed order calculations



- ✓ NLO QCD corrections for stable top quark
- ✓ NLO QCD corrections + Parton Shower

Bordes 1995, Stelzer 1995, Harris 2002, Sullivan 2004, Campbell 2004, Q.-H. Cao 2005, Campbell 2009

Frixione 2005, Frederix 2012, Alioli 2009, Bothmann 2017, Carrazza 2018

 NNLO QCD corrections without and with top quark decay neglecting O(αS2) color suppressed interference term

fiducial [pb]		LO	NLO	NNLO	
t quark	total	$4.07^{+7.6\%}_{-9.8\%}$	$2.95^{+4.1\%}_{-2.2\%}$	$2.70^{+1.2\%}_{-0.7\%}$	
	corr. in pro.		-0.79	-0.24	
	corr. in dec.		-0.33	-0.13	
	total	$2.45^{+7.8\%}_{-10\%}$	$1.78^{+3.9\%}_{-2.0\%}$	$1.62^{+1.2\%}_{-0.8\%}$	
t quark	corr. in pro.		-0.46	-0.15	
	corr. in dec.		-0.21	-0.08	

Fiducial cross sections for top (anti-)quark production with decay at 13 TeV

Berger, Gao, Yuan, Zhu, arXiv:1606.08463

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Brucherseifer, Caola, Melnikov, arXiv: 1404.7116 Berger, Gao, Yuan, Zhu, arXiv:1606.08463 Berger, Gao, Zhu, arXiv:1708.09405





T-channel Single Top Pro. in SCET

Wang, C.S.Li, Zhu, arXiv:1210.7698

• In SCET, Bauer, et al. 2000,2001,2002, Beneke, et al. 2002, Hill, et al. 2003



Collinear: $Q(\lambda^2, 1, \lambda)$ Soft: $Q(\lambda, \lambda, \lambda)$ Ultrasoft: $Q(\lambda^2, \lambda^2, \lambda^2)$

$$\sigma = H \times J \times S$$

 $H(\mu) = U_h(\mu, \mu_h)H(\mu_h)$ $J(\mu) = U_j(\mu, \mu_j)J(\mu_j)$ $S(\mu) = U_s(\mu, \mu_s)S(\mu_s)$

• For t-channel single top production,







Wang, C.S.Li, Zhu, arXiv:1210.7698

Threshold limit is defined as $s_4 = s + t + u - m_t^2 \rightarrow 0$

The resummed differential cross section for t-channel single top production



Leading Singular contributions

Wang, C.S.Li, Zhu, arXiv:1210.7698

Expanding the equation in the last slide for all scales equal, we obtain the leading singular contributions.

The logarithmic structure is

$$\begin{split} \left(\frac{\lambda_{0,ij}}{64\pi N_c^2 \hat{s}^2}\right)^{-1} \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{ij}^{\text{thres}}}{d\hat{t}d\hat{u}} &= \delta(s_4) + \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \Big\{ A_2 D_2 + A_1 D_1 + A_0 \delta(s_4) \Big\} \\ &+ \Big(\frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi}\Big)^2 \Big\{ B_4 D_4 + B_3 D_3 + B_2 D_2 + B_1 D_1 + B_0 \delta(s_4) \Big\}, \end{split}$$

$$A_2 &= 3\Gamma_0, \qquad \qquad D_n = \Big[\frac{\ln^{n-1}(s_4/m_t^2)}{s_4}\Big]_+ \\ A_1 &= (L_j + 2L_s)\Gamma_0 + \gamma_0^J - 2\gamma_0^S \\ A_0 &= \left(-\frac{1}{2}L_{h,up}^2 - L_{h,dn}^2 + \frac{1}{2}L_j^2 + L_s^2 - \frac{\pi^2}{4}\right)\Gamma_0 - \gamma_{up,0}^V L_{h,up} - 2\gamma_{dn,0}^V L_{h,dn} + \gamma_0^J L_j - 2\gamma_0^S L_s \\ &+ c_1^H + c_1^J + c_1^S, \end{split}$$

For expressions of B_i , see arXiv:1210.7698

We are going to resum them to all order in α_s

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Wang, C.S.Li, Zhu, arXiv:1210.7698





- ✓ The resummation for top quark with low transverse momentum is not appropriate.
- ✓ The soft gluon effects can *enhance* the differential cross sections at high transverse momentum of top quark by about 9~13% and 4~9% at the Tevatron and the 8 TeV LHC, respectively.

Other efforts





Cao, Sun, Yan, Yuan, Yuan, arXiv:1801.09656, arXiv:1902.09336

Higher order soft gluon effects are calculated in *traditional resummation scheme*



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tW production



Theoretical status





can be used to direct measurement of the CKM matrix element V_{tb}
 has the second largest cross section in single top production at the LHC
 have been measured directly at the LHC

Giele, Keller, Laenen, 1996 S. Zhu 2001, Campbell and Tramontano, 2005

Theoretical status

NLO QCD with parton shower:

NLO QCD corrections:

Frixione et al 2008 E. Re 2009 Jezo et al 2016

Resummation and approximated NNLO

Kidonakis, 2006, 2010, 2017

Interference with top quark pair production



We need to find a way to differentiate the two processes or to define tW

- ✓ diagram removal (DR): remove the diagrams for top quark pair production; not gauge invariant
- ✓ diagram subtraction (DS): using a local subtraction term to cancel the matrix element square in the resonance region
- ✓ b-jet veto: together with a careful choice of the factorization scale 04/23/2019

Frixione et al 2008 Hollik et al 2012 Campbell et al 2005

Pair invariant mass Limit



C.S.Li, Li, Shao, Wang, arXiv:1903.01646

Partonic threshold: Pair invariant mass (PIM)

$$1-z=1-\frac{M_{tW}^2}{s}\to 0$$



The evolution factor embodies RG running from hard and soft scale to factorization scale, which is expressed as

$$U_{\text{PIM}}(\mu_h, \mu_s, \mu_f) = \left(\frac{M^2}{\mu_h^2}\right)^{(C_A + C_F) a_{\gamma^{\text{cusp}}}(\mu_s, \mu_h)} \exp\left[2(C_A + C_F)S(\mu_h, \mu_s) + a_{\gamma^h}(\mu_s, \mu_h) + 2 a_{\gamma^{\phi_q}}(\mu_s, \mu_f) + 2 a_{\gamma^{\phi_g}}(\mu_s, \mu_f)\right].$$

The factorized cross section captures all the log terms: $\delta(1-z)$, $\left(\frac{1}{1-z}\right)_+$, $\left(\frac{\ln 1-z}{1-z}\right)_+$

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One Particle Inclusive limit

C.S.Li, Li, Shao, Wang, arXiv:1903.01646

Partonic threshold: One-particle inclusive (1PI) $s_4 = s + t + u - m_t^2 - m_W^2 \rightarrow 0$

The RG improved differential cross section can be written as

$$\frac{d^{2}\sigma^{1\mathrm{PI}}}{dp_{T}^{2}dy} = \frac{1}{16\pi s} \sum_{ij} \int_{x_{1}^{\min}}^{1} \frac{dx_{1}}{x_{1}} \int_{0}^{s_{4}^{\max}} \frac{ds_{4}}{s_{4} + M_{W}^{2} - m_{t}^{2} - x_{1}t_{1}} f_{i/p}(x_{1}, \mu_{f}) f_{j/p}(x_{2}, \mu_{f})$$

$$\times H(\mu_{h})U_{1\mathrm{PI}}(\mu_{h}, \mu_{s}, \mu_{f}) \tilde{s}_{1\mathrm{PI}}(\partial_{\eta}, \mu_{s}) \frac{1}{s_{4}} \left(\frac{s_{4}}{M_{W}\mu_{s}}\right)^{2\eta} \frac{e^{-2\gamma_{\mathrm{E}}\eta}}{\Gamma(2\eta)}$$

$$\mu_{s} \int_{0}^{\mu_{s}} \frac{\mu_{s}}{\Lambda_{QCD}}$$

The evolution factor is

$$U_{1\text{PI}}(\mu_{h},\mu_{s},\mu_{f}) = \left(\frac{M^{2}}{\mu_{h}^{2}}\right)^{(C_{A}+C_{F})a_{\gamma}\text{cusp}}(\mu_{s},\mu_{h})} \exp\left[2(C_{A}+C_{F})S(\mu_{h},\mu_{s}) + a_{\gamma^{h}}(\mu_{s},\mu_{h}) + 2a_{\gamma^{\phi_{g}}}(\mu_{s},\mu_{f}) + a_{\gamma^{\text{cusp}}}(\mu_{s},\mu_{f})\left(C_{A}\ln\frac{M_{W}^{2}\mu_{s}^{2}}{\left(\hat{t}_{1}^{W}\right)^{2}} + C_{F}\ln\frac{M_{W}^{2}\mu_{s}^{2}}{\left(\hat{u}_{1}^{W}\right)^{2}}\right)\right].$$
 Different RG factor

In principle, these two definitions describe the same physics in the soft limits. However, they include different power suppressed corrections when the radiation is not exactly soft.

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Leading contribution



C.S.Li, Li, Shao, Wang, arXiv:1903.01646

The fixed-order total cross section and the power corrections in different schemes

[pb]	PIM			1PI		
	b-veto	DS	DR	b-veto	DS	DR
LO	$6.96^{+5\%}_{-6\%}$			$7.21^{+5\%}_{-4\%}$		
NLO bg	$12.0^{-6\%}_{+2\%}$			$11.7^{-8\%}_{+4\%}$		
NLO leading	$11.2^{-5\%}_{+2\%}$			$11.5^{-3\%}_{+0\%}$		
NLO	$\begin{array}{ c c c c c c c c } 9.31^{+0\%}_{-1\%} & 9.92^{+2\%}_{-2\%} & 10.0^{+2\%}_{-2\%} \\ \end{array}$			$9.32^{-1\%}_{+0\%}$	$10.0^{+1\%}_{-2\%}$	$10.2^{+2\%}_{-2\%}$
power corr.	$-1.87^{+0.5}_{-0.25}$	$-1.26^{+0.75}_{-0.40}$	$-1.17^{+0.76}_{-0.43}$	$-2.14^{+0.30}_{-0.05}$	$-1.46^{+0.53}_{-0.21}$	$-1.29^{+0.63}_{-0.27}$

 \prime There is huge corrections (29% \sim 44%) for the total cross section from LO to NLO

✓ the leading power terms of the bg channel can approximate the total result of the bg channel very well

✓ The power corrections are negative and around -20% ~ -12% in PIM and -23% ~ -13% in 1PI kinematic scheme depending on the methods

The contributions of the higher order power corrections can be obtained by calculating the full NNLO QCD corrections or by making use of the next- to-leading power factorization and resummation.

Leading contribution



 \checkmark There is huge corrections from, LO to NLO

✓ The leading power terms are dominant in all the invariant mass or the top p_T regions, as in the case of total cross sections.
 ✓ The NNLO leading terms increase the NLO leading cross section by about 10% in most of the region.

C.S.Li, Li, Shao, Wang, arXiv:1903.01646



- \checkmark The NLO+NNLL predictions increase the NLO total cross section by 12% \sim 17% depending on the collider energy and the threshold variable, but with larger scale uncertainties
- \checkmark These large uncertainties are mainly from the variation of the factorization scale μ_f
- \checkmark The NLO+NNLL predictions are in good agreement with the data at the 8 TeV and 13 TeV LHC

[pb]

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Comments on future directions



C.S.Li, Li, Shao, Wang, arXiv:1903.01646

The NNLO QCD corrections can be achieved making use of the *N-jettiness subtraction method*



 \checkmark The NNLO beam functions are available

Gaunt, Stahlhofen, Tackmann arXiv:1405.1044, arXiv:1401.5478

✓ The NNLO N-jettiness soft function for this process is also available
Li, Wang arXiv:1611.02749, arXiv:1804.0635

✓ The only missing part is the two-loop hard function $\frac{1}{23/2019}$ Peking University

NNLO massive N-jettiness soft function

Hai Tao Li, Jian Wang, Phys.Lett.B.784(2018)397

- So far, N-jettiness slicing method is successful for the NNLO differential calculation of jet production at hadron colliders.
- How about massive colored particle production, ttbar or tW?

$$\begin{split} \frac{d\sigma}{d\mathcal{O}} &= \left. \frac{d\sigma}{d\mathcal{O}} \right|_{\mathcal{T}_{N} < \Delta} + \left. \frac{d\sigma}{d\mathcal{O}} \right|_{\mathcal{T}_{N} > \Delta} \qquad \mathcal{T}_{N} = \sum_{k} \min_{i} \left\{ n_{i} \cdot q_{k} \right\} ,\\ \frac{d\sigma}{dY d\tau} &= \int d\Phi_{2} \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{0}}{d\Phi_{2}} \int dt_{a} dt_{b} d\tau_{s} H(\beta_{t}, \cos\theta_{t}, \mu) B_{1}(t_{a}, x_{a}, \mu) B_{2}(t_{b}, x_{b}, \mu) \\ &\times S(\tau_{s}, \beta_{t}, \cos\theta_{t}, \mu) \delta \left(\tau - \tau_{s} - \frac{t_{a} + t_{b}}{\sqrt{\hat{s}}} \right) \left(1 + \mathcal{O} \left(\frac{\tau}{\sqrt{\hat{s}}} \right) \right) \\ &\downarrow \\ \sum_{X_{s}} \left\langle 0 \left| \bar{\mathbf{T}} Y_{n}^{\dagger} Y_{\bar{n}} Y_{v} \right| X_{s} \right\rangle \delta \left(\tau - \sum_{k} \min \left(n \cdot \hat{P}_{k}, \bar{n} \cdot \hat{P}_{k} \right) \right) \left\langle X_{s} \left| \mathbf{T} Y_{n} Y_{\bar{n}}^{\dagger} Y_{v}^{\dagger} \right| 0 \right\rangle \\ &v^{+} = \frac{1 - \beta_{t} \cos\theta_{t}}{\sqrt{1 - \beta_{t}^{2}}}, \quad v^{-} = \frac{1 + \beta_{t} \cos\theta_{t}}{\sqrt{1 - \beta_{t}^{2}}}, \quad |v_{\perp}| = \frac{\beta_{t} \sin\theta_{t}}{\sqrt{1 - \beta_{t}^{2}}}, \end{split}$$

Conclusion

- Reviewed the measurements for top quark production at the LHC
- Discussed how to include higher order QCD corrections for the process at the LHC, especially resummation in SCET approach
- Presented the theory predictions for schannel, t-channel single top production
- ✓ Show our recent work on the soft gluon resummation for tW production at the LHC



Thank you !