



Top Quark Mass Effects in Higgs Boson Production at four-loop order: Virtual Corrections

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Introduction





- Gluon fusion is the dominant process for Higgs boson production at Hadron colliders
- Computation including full quark mass dependence challenging
- First step is typically the limit of an infinitely heavy top quark
- At NNLO the total cross section is known including mass suppressed terms [Harlander, Ozeren '09],[Pak, Rogal, Steinhauser '10]
- At N³LO only the approximation of an infinitely heavy top quark available [Anastasiou, Duhr,

Dulat, Furlan, Gehrmann, Herzog, Lazopoulos, Mistlberger '16, Mistlberger '18]



Introduction





- Already at three loops the calculations is very challenging
- Light fermionic contributions recently computed exactly and analytically [Harlander, Prausa, Usovitch '19]
- LME known up to 1/m¹⁴ [Davies, Steinhauser '19]
- Recently two exact numerical results have been obtained:
 - by combining LME and a threshold expansion using Pade approximants [Davies, Gröber, Maier, Rauh, Steinhauser '19]
 - by performing a full IBP reduction, evaluating the master integrals numerically [Niggetiedt, Czakon '19]
- Virtual corrections known at four loops for $m_t o \infty$ [Baikov, Chetyrkin, Smirnov, Smirnov, Steinhauser '09],

[Gehrmann, Glover, Huber, Ikizlerli, Studerus '10]

 \rightarrow First step beyond infinite top mass limit at four loops $_{\mbox{[Davies, FH, Steinhauser '19]}}$

Structure



• The amplitude for $gg \rightarrow H$ can be written as

$$\mathcal{A}_{gg \to H} = \mathcal{A}_0 h(\rho) \left(q_1 \cdot q_2 g^{\mu\nu} - q_1^{\nu} q_2^{\mu} \right)$$

- $\mathcal{A}_0 = T_F \frac{2\alpha_s}{3\nu\pi}$
- $\rho = \frac{m_{H}^2}{m_t^2} \approx 0.5$
- Project $\mathcal{A}_{gg \to H}$ onto $h(\rho)$
- Since $\rho \ll 1$ we expand $h(\rho)$ for small ρ
- Small ho expansion is an asymptotic expansion in the large top quark mass
- Our aim was to compute $h(\rho)$ through four loops up to ρ^2

Asymptotic expansion

- The asymptotic expansion of h in ρ is performed using the method of expansion by subgraph
 - \rightarrow decomposes each diagram into hard subgraphs and co-subgraphs



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Asymptotic expansion



- Massive vacuum integrals up to four loops
- Massless three-point integrals up to three loops
- We end up with tensor integrals
- Two-loop example:



$$\begin{split} I(\rho) &\approx \int \left[\mathrm{d}^{d} k \right] \left[\mathrm{d}^{d} l \right] \frac{P(q_{i} \cdot k, q_{i} \cdot l)}{(k^{2})^{a_{1}} \left((k-l)^{2} - m_{l}^{2} \right)^{a_{2}} \left(l^{2} - m_{l}^{2} \right)^{a_{3}}} \\ &+ \int \left[\mathrm{d}^{d} k \right] \frac{1}{(k^{2})^{a_{1}} \left((k+q_{1})^{2} \right)^{a_{2}} \left((k-q_{2})^{2} \right)^{a_{3}}} \int \left[\mathrm{d}^{d} l \right] \frac{Q(q_{i} \cdot l, k \cdot l)}{(l^{2} - m_{l}^{2})^{a_{4}}} \end{split}$$

• Vacuum integrals: tensor structure composed of $g^{\mu
u}$

IBP reduction and **MIs**



- Up to two loops there are algorithms for arbitrary ranks, implemented in MATAD [Steinhauser '01]
- At three and four loops we implemented tensor reduction up to rank 8
- After tensor reduction: 4 million vacuum integrals and 1 million three-point integrals
- IBP reduction using LiteRed [Lee '14] and FIRE [Smirnov, Chuharev '14]
- Leads to 25 GB of FORM tablebases
 - \rightarrow bug in FORM related to tables with many entries found and fixed
- Master integrals for four-loop tadpoles from [Schroder, Vuorinen '05], [Chetyrkin, Faisst, Sturm, Tentyukov '06], [Lee, Terekhov '11]
- Master integrals for three-loop three-point functions from [Baikov, Chetyrkin, Smirnov, Smirnov, Steinhauser '09], [Heinrich, Huber, Kosower, Smirnov '09], [Gehrmann, Glover, Huber, Ikizlerlii, Studerus '10, '10], [Lee, Smirnov, 11]

UV renormalization



- Renormalize m_t and α_s in the $\overline{\mathrm{MS}}$ scheme: Z_{α_s} and Z_m
- Renormalize external gluons in the on-shell scheme: $Z_3^{(OS)} = \frac{1}{\zeta_2^0}$
- Decouple the top quark: $\alpha_s^{(6)} = \frac{1}{\zeta \alpha_s} \alpha_s^{(5)}$
- In addition: use $\overline{\mathrm{MS}}$ -OS relation to also get results in terms of on-shell top mass
- Important note: we need ζ_3^0 , ζ_{α_s} and the $\overline{\rm MS}$ -OS relation at three loops, including higher order ϵ terms
 - \rightarrow available from [Gerlach, FH, Steinhauser '18] and [Marquard, Smirnov, Smirnov, Steinhauser, Wellmann '16]

IR structure



- $h(\rho)$ still contains infrared poles
- Infrared poles of $\log(F)$ with

$$F = \frac{h(\rho)}{h^{(1)}(\rho)} = 1 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$$

known

- Can be expressed in terms of three quantities only [Becher, Neubert '09], [Gehrmann, Glover, Huber, Ikizlerli, Studerus '10].
 - QCD beta function
 - Cusp soft anomalous dimension
 - Gluon collinear anomalous dimension
- As a consequence the poles of log(F) do not depend on ρ (after writing everything in terms of α⁽⁵⁾_s)

Checks and Numerical effects



- Projected on both $g^{\mu\nu}$ and $q_1^{\nu}q_2^{\mu}$ independently
- Construct ρ^0 term by combining effective gluon coupling and form-factors from [Gehrmann, Glover, Huber, Ikizlerli, Studerus '10]
- Three-loop results agree with [Davies, Steinhauser '19]
- IR structure is in agreement with expectation
- For $m_t = 173$ GeV in the on-shell scheme and $m_H = 125$ GeV we get:

$$\log(F)_{\text{finite}} \approx \frac{\alpha_s^{(5)}(m_l)}{\pi} \left((11.07 - i3.06) + 0.07 + 0.04 \right) \\ \left(\frac{\alpha_s^{(5)}(m_l)}{\pi} \right)^2 \left((22.59 + i13.24) + (1.02 + i0.13) + (0.07 + i0.01) \right) \\ \left(\frac{\alpha_s^{(5)}(m_l)}{\pi} \right)^3 \left((-73.18 + i51.55) + (7.61 + i0.85) + (0.70 + i0.14) \right)$$

Convergence of LME similar for $\overline{\mathrm{MS}}$ renormalized top quark mass



- Computed four loop corrections to the gluon-Higgs amplitude up to 1/m⁴_t
- Computationally very challenging
- Convergence of LME very good
- Result on its own not physical, has to be combined with real corrections