

Abstract

While radiative corrections of infrared origin normally depress high energy amplitudes (Sudakov form factors), we find that in some cases resummation of leading effects produces exponentials with positive exponents, giving rise to amplitudes that grow indefinitely with energy. The effect happens in broken gauge theories like the electroweak sector of the Standard Model, and is related to the existence of amplitudes that do not respect the gauge symmetry. Contrary to expectations, these amplitudes, although mass suppressed, do not vanish in the very high energy limit, but rather become dominant.

References are at the end of the talk

Something New in the High Energy Limit of Spontaneously Broken Gauge Theories ?

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(**Large energy limit** $Q \rightarrow \infty$) \equiv (**IR limit** $M_W \rightarrow 0$)

Computing loops in EW theory in the high energy limit ($Q \gg M_W$) we found the following series:

$$\frac{\Delta\sigma}{\sigma} = \alpha_W \left(\underbrace{\text{Log}^2 \frac{Q^2}{M_W^2} + \text{Log} \frac{Q^2}{M_W^2}}_{LHC+ILC} + \underbrace{1 + o\left(\frac{m^2}{Q^2}\right)}_{LEP} \right)$$

IN QCD and QED only single logs ($\propto \text{Log} \frac{Q^2}{m^2}$) for sufficient inclusive observables! Typical size of the one loop logs ($Q = 1 \text{ TeV}$):

$$\frac{\alpha_W}{4\pi} \text{Log}^2 \frac{Q^2}{M_W^2} = 6.7\%, \quad \frac{\alpha_{W/S}}{4\pi} \text{Log} \frac{Q^2}{M_W^2} = 1.4 / 3.6 \%$$

Massless/High Energy limit of a SB gauge theory

How to compute the limit

$$\lim_{\substack{m \rightarrow 0 \\ Q \rightarrow \infty}} \mathcal{O}_{\frac{m}{Q}} = \mathcal{O}_0$$



($\mathcal{O} \equiv$ observable) from the IR point of view

(only DL corrections and **no**: α running, SL, anomalies etc)

The problems that we have to face:

- $\lim_{\substack{m \rightarrow 0 \\ Q \rightarrow \infty}} \alpha \log^2 \frac{Q^2}{m^2} = \infty$

- A Resummation technique is needed:

$$\sum_n c_n \left(\alpha \log^2 \frac{Q^2}{m^2} \right)^n$$

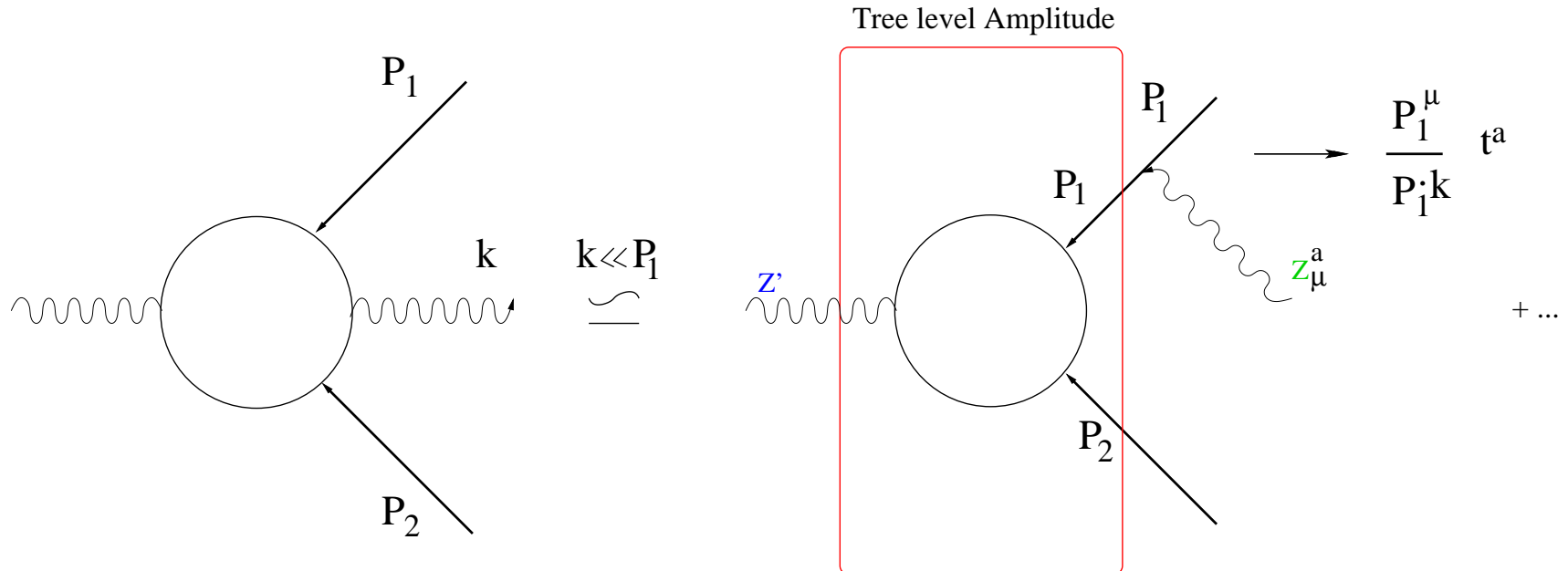
IR Resummation Techniques

How is it possible to sum up an infinite number of Feynman diagrams?

The kinematical origin of the double Logs is **Infrared**

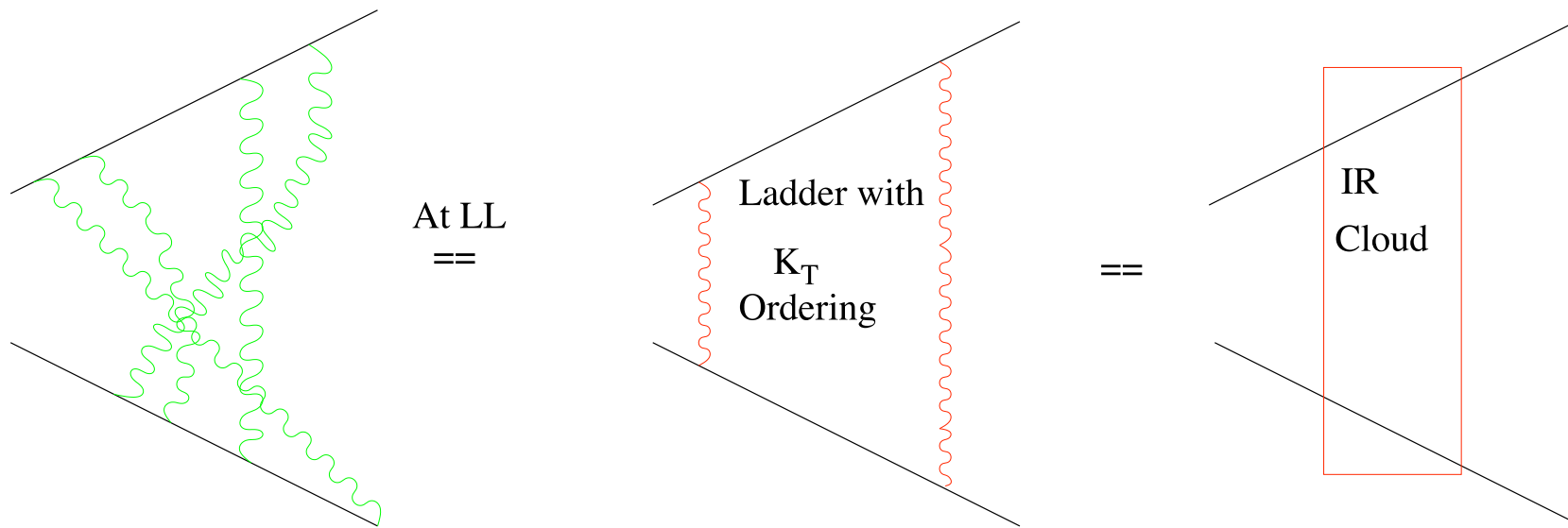
$$\alpha \int^Q \frac{dk_t^2}{k_t^2 + m^2} \int_{k_t/Q} \frac{d\omega}{\omega} \sim \alpha \log^2 \frac{Q^2}{m^2}$$

Eikonal Technique:



IR Resummation Techniques

Ladder diagrams:



$$\sum_n \alpha^n (t_1^{a_1} \dots t_1^{a_n}) \otimes (t_2^{a_1} \dots t_2^{a_n}) \int^Q \frac{dk_{t_1}^2}{k_{t_1}^2} \int_{k_{t_1}/Q} \frac{d\omega_1}{\omega_2} \dots \int^{k_{t_{n-1}}} \frac{dk_{t_n}^2}{k_{t_n}^2} \int_{k_{t_n}/Q} \frac{d\omega_n}{\omega_n} =$$

$$P_{k_t} e^{\alpha t_1^a \otimes t_2^a} \int \frac{dk_t^2}{k_t^2} \frac{d\omega}{\omega}$$

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B.N. in QCD : Leading IR singularities cancel after:

- summation over final soft gluons
- average over final color and initial color or for color singlet initial states (like a proton)
- Violation of BN only at higher twist level

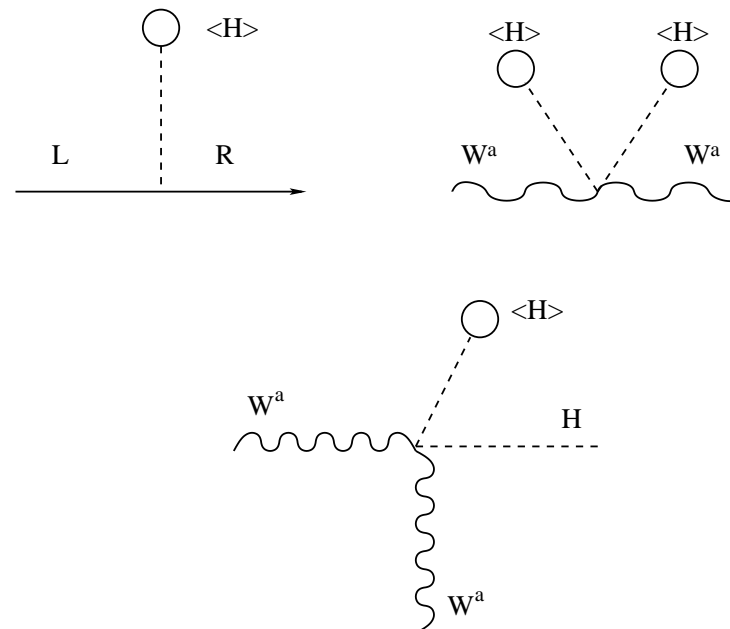
SB manifestation in gauge theories

Spectrum:

- Massive gauge bosons
- Asymptotic states contain Free non abelian charges

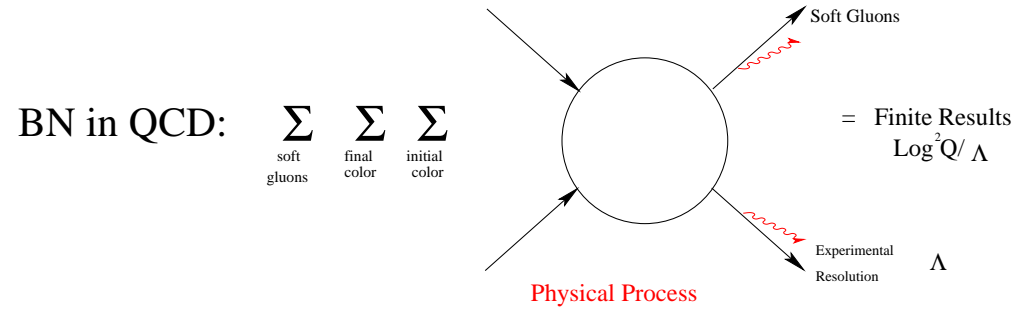
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- The vev insertions generate gauge non invariant amplitudes.
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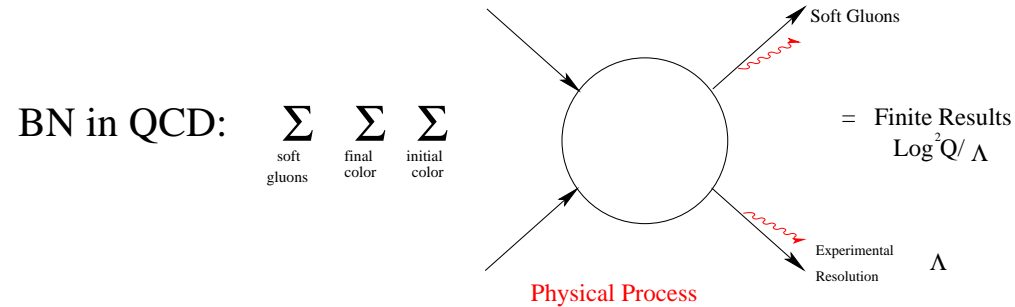
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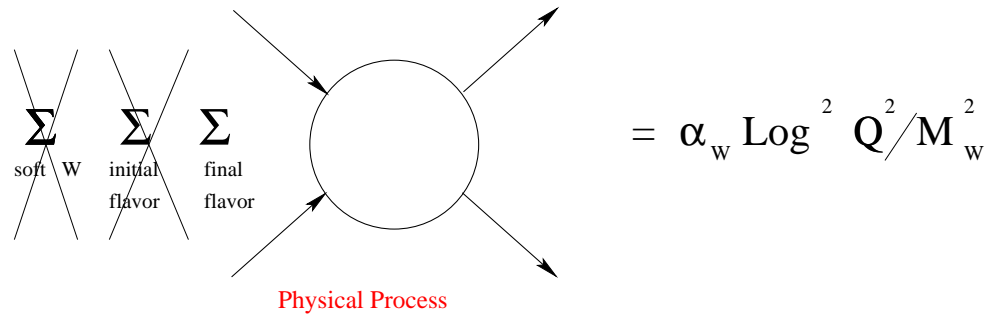
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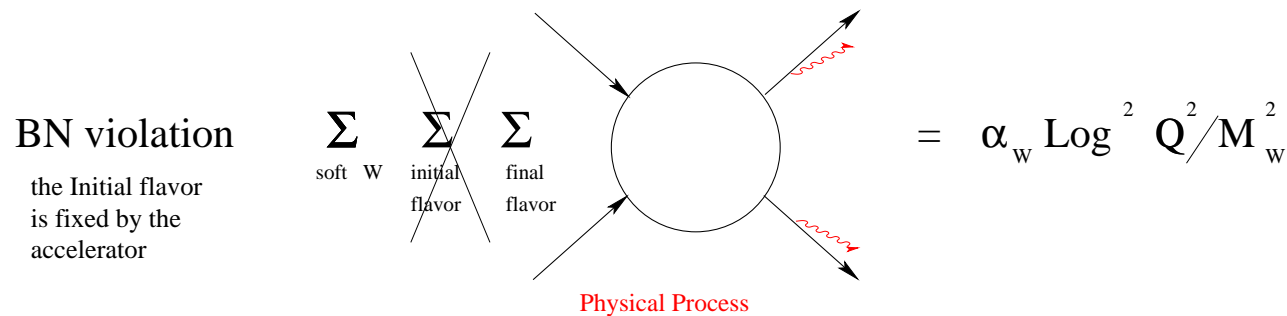
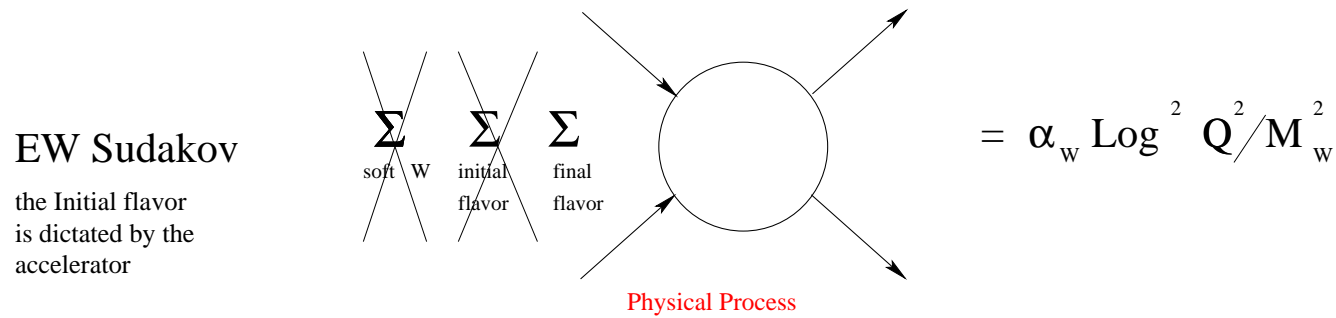
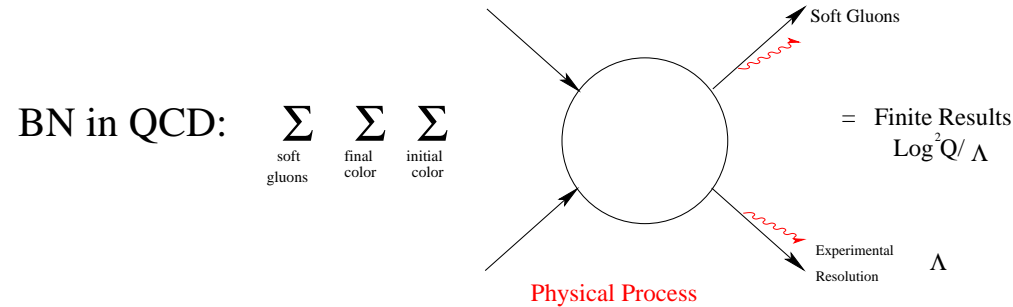
EW Sudakov

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High Energy EW theory

Sudakov versus BN EW corrections:

- **Sudakov** Form Factors EW corrections:

$$\sigma(s) = \sigma_H e^{-\frac{\alpha_W}{4\pi} \sum_i (t_i(t_i+1) + y_i^2 \tan^2 \theta_W) \text{Log}^2 \frac{Q^2}{M_W^2}}$$

- **BN** EW corrections: The hard cross section is first decomposed in total t-channel isospin basis:

$$\sigma(s) = \sum_t e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{\alpha_W}{4\pi} t(t+1) \text{Log}^2 \frac{Q^2}{M_W^2}} \sigma_t^H \quad \sigma_t^H \leq 0$$

- For Sud t_i is the external leg isospin (e.g., $t_i = \frac{1}{2}$ for a fermion) while for BN t is obtained by composing two single-leg isospins (e.g., $\frac{1}{2} \otimes \frac{1}{2} = 0$ or 1 for a fermion).
- There is a factor 2 of difference in the argument of the exponentials.
- while **Sudakov corrections always depress the tree level cross section, BN ones can be negative or positive.**

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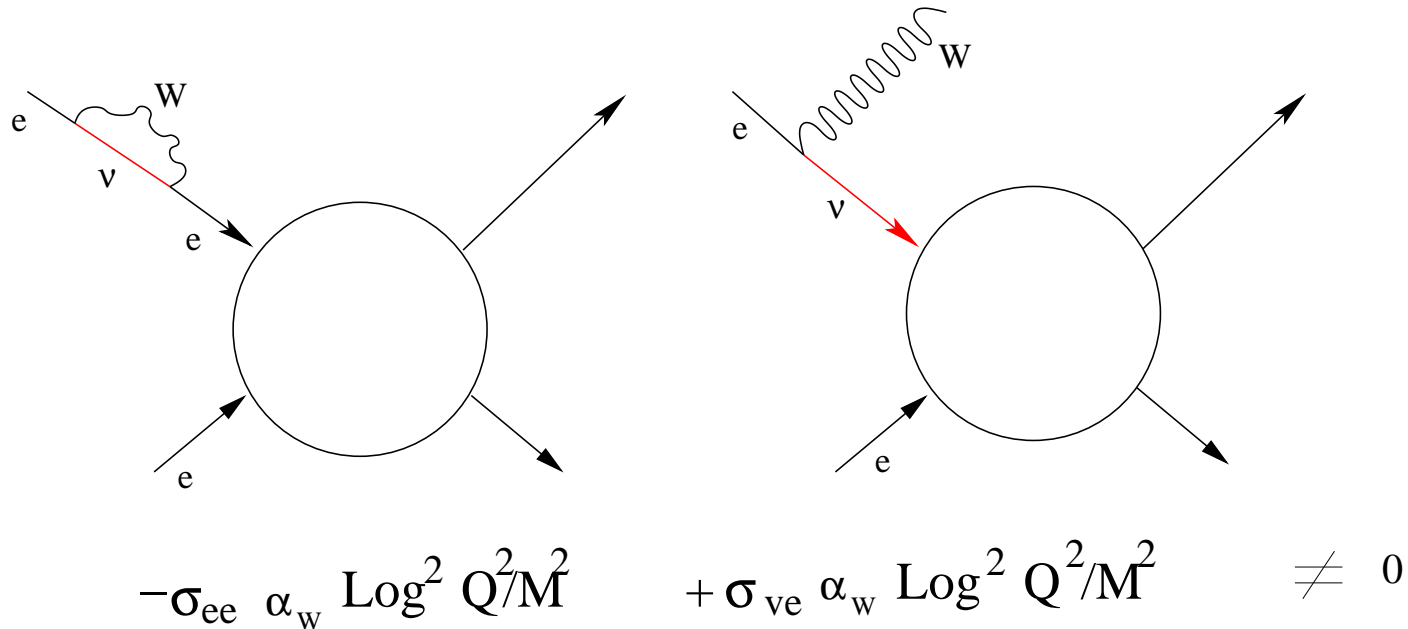
Typical size at $Q \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$ (for $2 \rightarrow 2$ processes) present both at ILC and LHC (P.Ciafaloni,D.C.1999)

$$\left. \frac{\delta \sigma}{\sigma} \right|_{\text{one loop}}^{LL} \sim -\frac{\alpha_W}{\pi} \text{Log}^2 \frac{Q^2}{M_W^2} \simeq -26\%, \quad \left. \frac{\delta \sigma}{\sigma} \right|_{\text{one loop}}^{NLL} \sim \frac{3\alpha_W}{\pi} \text{Log} \frac{Q^2}{M_W^2} \simeq 16\%$$

$$\left. \frac{\delta \sigma}{\sigma} \right|_{\text{two loop}}^{LL} \sim +\frac{\alpha_W^2}{2\pi^2} \text{Log}^4 \frac{Q^2}{M_W^2} \simeq +3.5\%, \quad \left. \frac{\delta \sigma}{\sigma} \right|_{\text{two loop}}^{NLL} \sim -\frac{3\alpha_W^2}{2\pi^2} \text{Log}^3 \frac{Q^2}{M_W^2} \simeq -4.6\%$$

EW violation of the Block-Nordsieck Theorem

One loop example of EW BN violation



Different coefficients (the hard cross sections) for **virtual** ($\sigma_{e\bar{e}}$) and **real** ($\sigma_{\nu\bar{e}}$) corrections

$$(\sigma_{\nu\bar{e} \rightarrow \sum_q q\bar{q}} \simeq 2 \sigma_{e\bar{e} \rightarrow \sum_q q\bar{q}} \text{ for } Q^2 \gg M_W^2)$$

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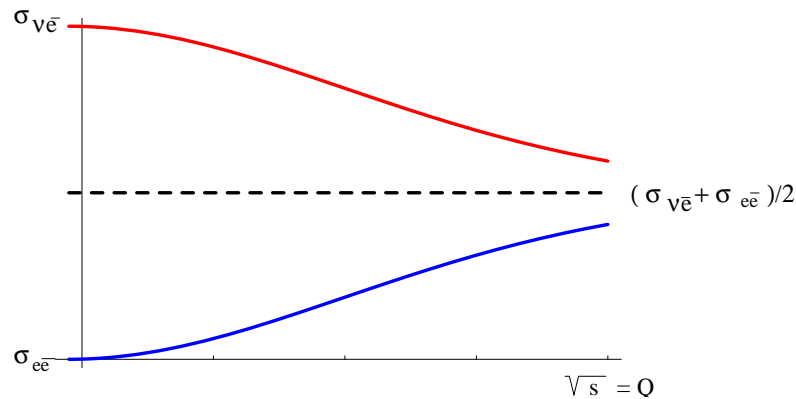
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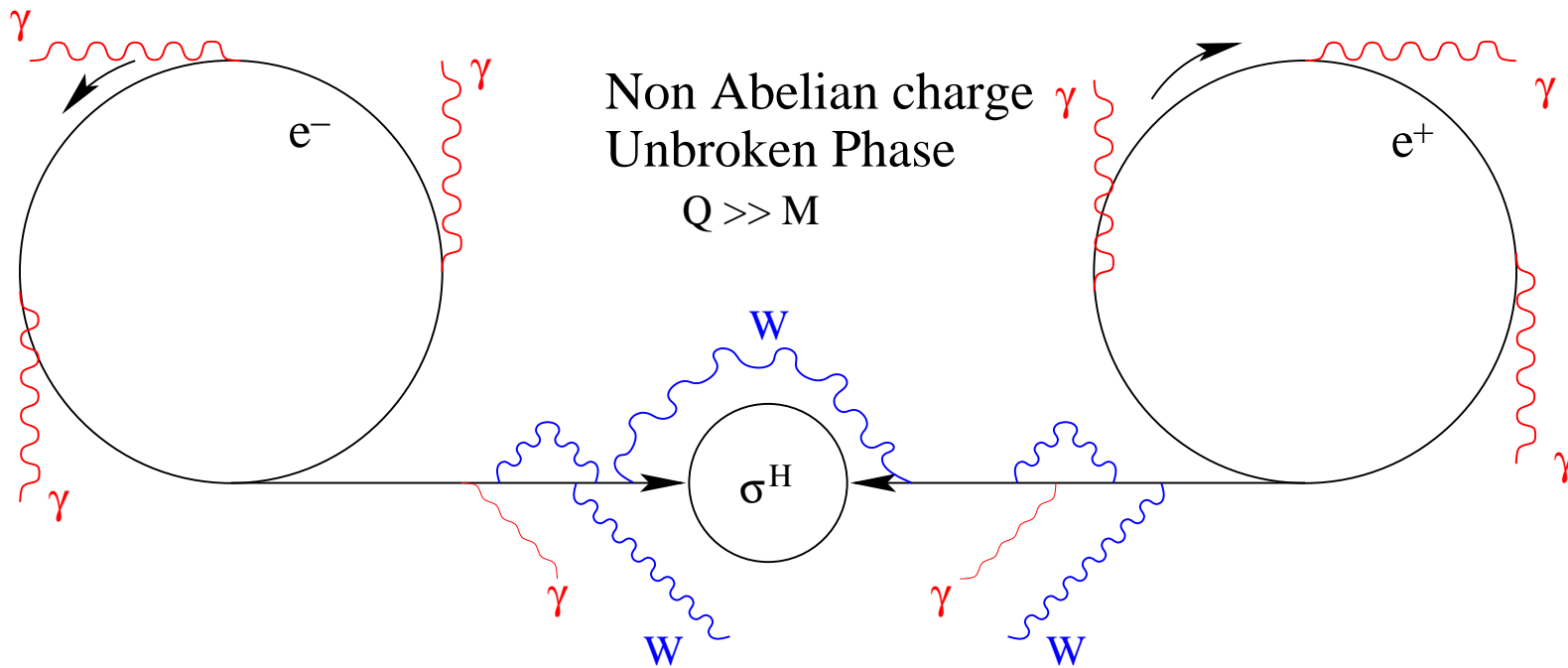
High Energy EW theory

Physical Pictorial idea: For low energies ($Q \leq M_W$) an e^- looks “effectively” as an abelian charge (**clouds of photons**), increasing the energy ($Q \gg M_W$) it becomes an “effective” non abelian charge (**clouds of W 's**).

The e when surrounded by the W 's is losing his *identity* resembling more and more a ν .

Broken Phase: Abelian charge

$$Q < M$$



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$$Q \sim M e^{\frac{1}{2\alpha}}$$

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Pole at $\frac{m^2}{Q^2} \rightarrow 0$ $\frac{m^2}{Q^2} e^{\alpha \log^2 \frac{Q^2}{m^2}} = \left(\frac{m^2}{Q^2}\right)^{1+\alpha \log \frac{m^2}{Q^2}}$

vev insertions: News inside the SM ?

An Explicit example: $Z' \rightarrow f_i \bar{f}_i, \quad i = 1, 2$

The model:

- Chiral Gauge group $U'_{Z'}(1) \otimes SU_W(2) \otimes U_Z(1)$
- $(f_L^{(1)}, f_L^{(2)})$ doublet of $SU_W(2)$, $(f_R^{(1)}, f_R^{(2)})$ singlet of $SU(2)$
- fermion $U'(1)$ charges: $f_L^{(1,2)} = f_R^{(1,2)} \equiv f$
- fermion $U(1)$ charges: $y_L^{(1,2)} \equiv y_L, y_R^{(1,2)} \equiv y_R$
- with mass gap $M_{Z'} \gg M_W \sim M_Z \sim m_{\text{fermion}} \equiv m$

Effective $Z' \rightarrow f_i \bar{f}_i$ vertex for onshell particles ($i = 1, 2$):

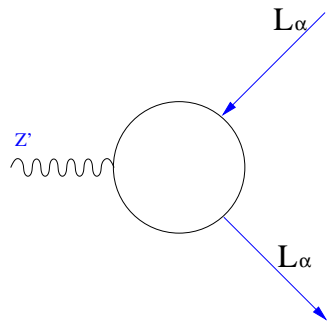
$$Z'^\nu \bar{u}_i(p_1) \left(\gamma_\mu (F_L^{(i)} P_L + F_R^{(i)} P_R) + \frac{m}{Q^2} (p_{1\mu} - p_{2\mu}) F_M^{(i)} + \frac{m}{Q^2} (p_{1\mu} + p_{2\mu}) \gamma_5 F_P^{(i)} \right) v_i(p_2)$$

8 Form Factors: $F_{L,R}^{(i)}$ conserve chirality, $F_{M,P}^{(i)}$ violate chirality

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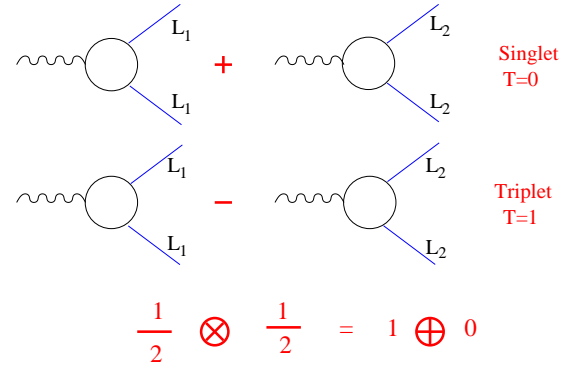
Total External Legs U(1) Charge

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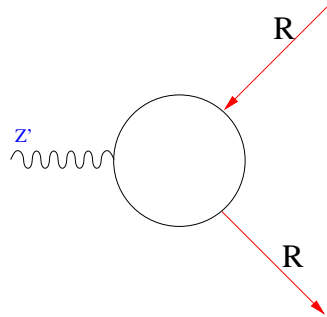


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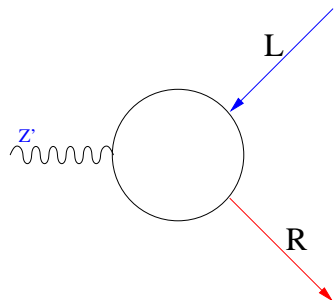
$$\frac{1}{2} \otimes \frac{1}{2} = 1 \oplus 0$$



F_R

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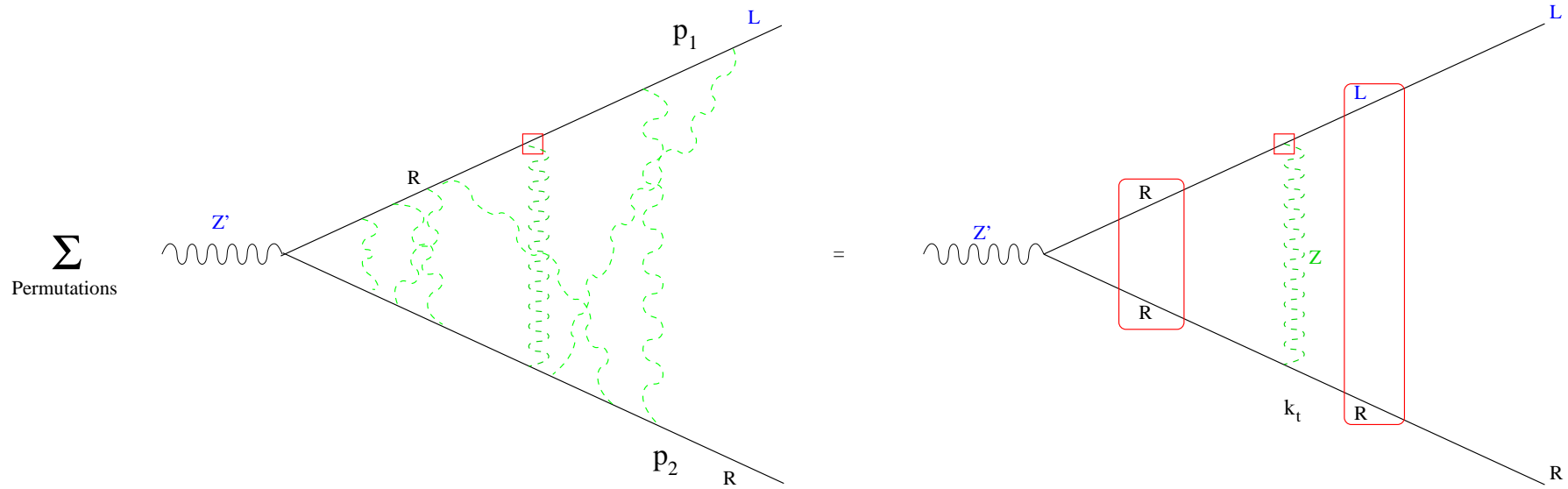
Singlet



$F_{m,e} + \text{h.c.} \quad y_L - y_R \neq 0$

$$\frac{1}{2} \otimes 0 = \frac{1}{2}$$

vev insertions: $U(1)$ Z resummation.



The **Boxes** are Ladder clouds of IR Z gauge bosons ordered in transverse momentum variable.

vuv insertions: $U(1)$ Z resummation. (M. and P. Ciafaloni, DC 2009)

All order results in $L^2 \equiv \frac{\alpha_Z}{4\pi} \log^2 \frac{Q^2}{M_Z^2}$:

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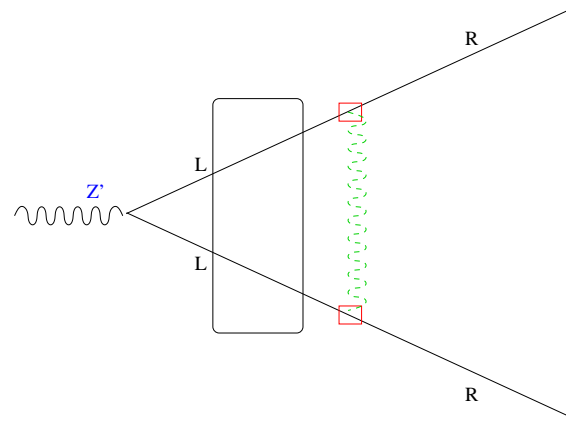
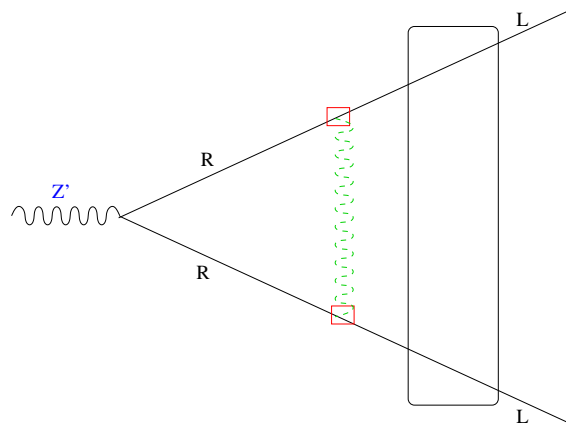
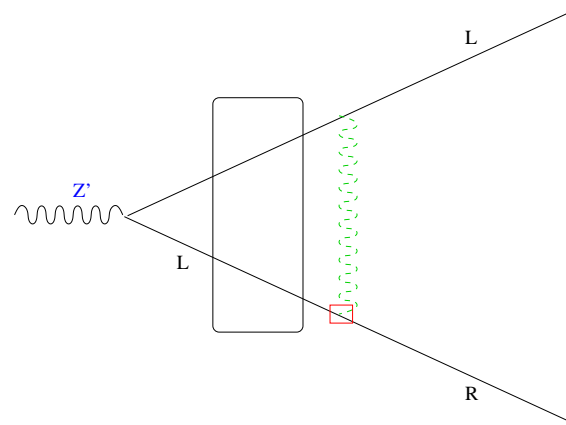
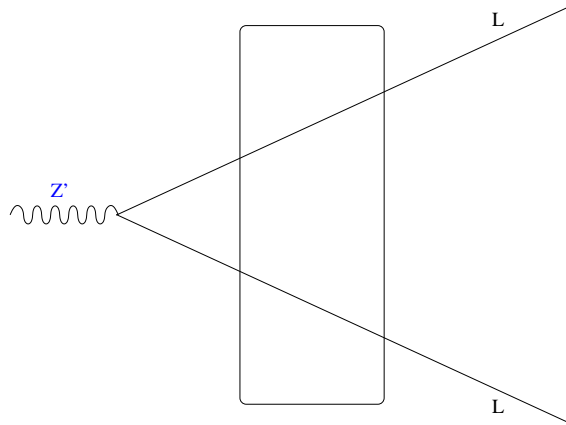
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Growing exponentials when : $y_L y_R < 0 \rightarrow y_L \neq y_R$

In **SM** we have $U_Y(1)$ with $y_{d_L} = \frac{1}{6}$ and $y_{d_R} = -\frac{1}{3}$ so

$$y_{d_L} y_{d_R} = -\frac{1}{18}$$

vev insertions: $SU(2)$ W resummation.



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$$F_L^{(2)} = f \left(e^{-\frac{3L^2}{4}} + \frac{1}{4} \left((\rho_2 - \rho_1) e^{\frac{L^2}{4}} + (\rho_1 + \rho_2) e^{-\frac{3L^2}{4}} - 2\rho_2 \right) \right)$$

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Growing exponentials for

$$F_L^{(1)} - F_L^{(2)} = \frac{f}{2} (\rho_1 - \rho_2) \left(e^{+\frac{L^2}{4}} - 1 \right)$$

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$$F_L \sim f \left(e^{-\frac{3}{4}L^2} + \rho e^{+\frac{1}{4}L^2} + \mathcal{O}(\rho) \dots \right) \rightarrow F_L^2 \sim f^2 \left(e^{-\frac{3}{2}L^2} + \rho e^{-\frac{1}{2}L^2} + \mathcal{O}(\rho^2) \dots \right)$$

For U(1) we have AS remnant at order ρ :

$$F_M \sim f \left(e^{-y_{L,R}^2 L^2} + e^{-y_L y_R} L^2 + \mathcal{O}(\rho) \dots \right), \quad F_{L,R} \sim f e^{-y_{L,R}^2 L^2} + \mathcal{O}(\rho) \dots$$
$$\rightarrow F_M^2 \sim f^2 \left(e^{-2 y_L y_R} L^2 + \mathcal{O}(\rho) \dots \right), \quad F_M F_{L,R} \sim f^2 \left(e^{-(y_{L,R}^2 + y_L y_R)} L^2 + \mathcal{O}(\rho) \dots \right)$$

So, for the $Z' \rightarrow \bar{f}f$ observables only the U(1) AS appears at order ρ .

IR structure of SB gauge theories at high energies:

- "Normal" = e^{-L^2} and "Anomalous" = e^{+L^2} corrections

- SB is manifest in the spectrum and vev interactions

- Spectrum \rightarrow "Normal": in Virtual and Real emission

- vev insertions \rightarrow "Anomalous": in Virtual, Real (?)

$\lim_{m \rightarrow 0} \mathcal{O}_m \neq \mathcal{O}_0$ dominated by higher twist terms!

- Open Questions :

- Real emission

- KLN Theorem (Reals + Virtuals)

- Phenomenology: New observables with AS

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