

# Electroweak precision physics with $W$ and $Z$ bosons at hadron colliders

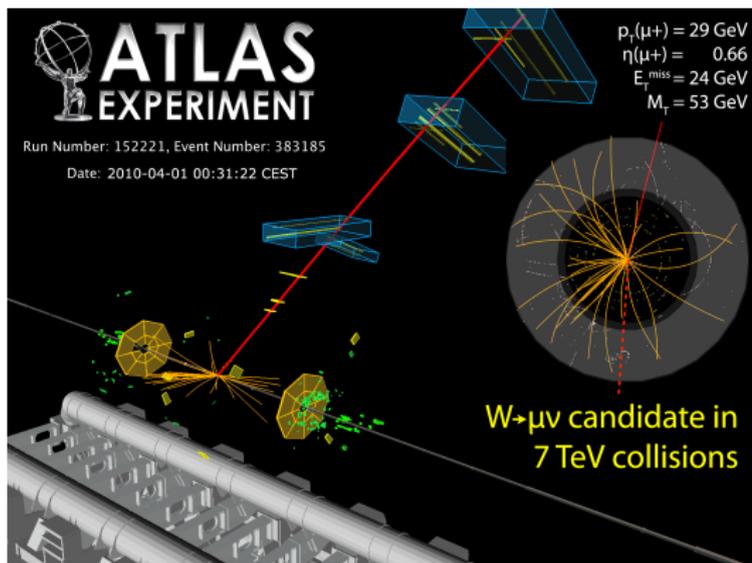
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# We live in exciting times ...

the Large Hadron Collider is running ...



... and again we are hoping for discoveries: the Higgs boson and signals of *new physics*.

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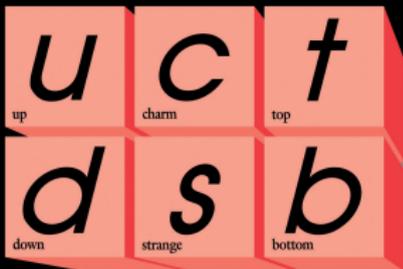
Introduction

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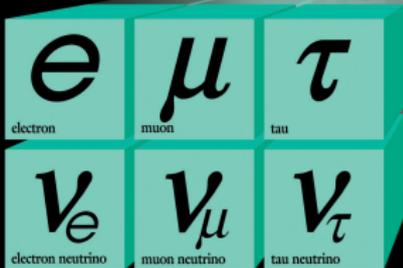
Studies of theoretical uncertainties

Conclusion and Outlook

# Quarks



# Forces



# Leptons

The SM has been thoroughly scrutinized during the last 30+ years at collider experiments.

CERN LEP  $e^+e^-$  collider at energies around 90 GeV (LEP I) and 200 GeV (LEP II) (shutdown in 2000)

Now site of the Large Hadron Collider (LHC)

Goal:  $pp$  collisions at 14000 GeV

Status: successfully runs at 7 TeV



Fermilab Tevatron  $p\bar{p}$  collider at 1960 GeV, i.e. probes matter down to distances of about  $10^{-18}$  meters

Status:

$\sim 8 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of integrated luminosity on tape



# Some ingredients for success

## ► *Experiment*

High collision energies and large number of particle collisions (luminosity):

$$\text{number of events} \propto L \sigma$$

*Rare processes (higgs production), heavy particles (top), high precision ( $M_Z, M_W(m_{top})$  are known at per-mille (percent) level).*

## ► *Theory*

Precision calculations of cross sections beyond Born level, i.e. including radiative corrections.

The SM is successfully tested as a Quantum Field Theory at the per mille level – no deviations found.

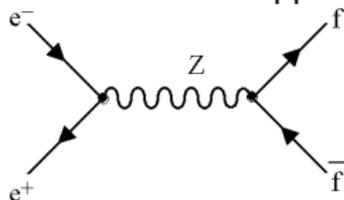
**Note:** We need to extend the SM to incorporate the experimental fact of massive neutrinos.

Moreover: Small discrepancy in the measurement of the anomalous magnetic moment of the muon at BNL.

# Precise predictions for high-energy collider experiments

We rely on perturbation theory, e.g., a Feynman graph expansion in the coupling constant of the scattering amplitude:

lowest order: Born approximation, e.g., Z boson production at LEP/SLC

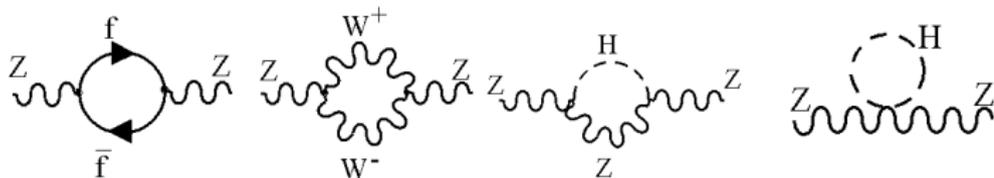


:  $\sigma_{\text{Born}}(q^2, \alpha, m_f, m_e, M_Z)$  is of  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^2)$

**1-loop radiative corrections:** in the 'quantum world' the Z boson feels the virtual presence of all particles:



:  $\delta\sigma(q^2, \alpha, m_f, m_e, M_Z, m_{\text{top}}, M_H, \dots)$  is of  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^3)$



$\Rightarrow \sigma_{\text{theory}} = \sigma_{\text{Born}} + \delta\sigma(m_{\text{top}}, M_H) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha^4)$

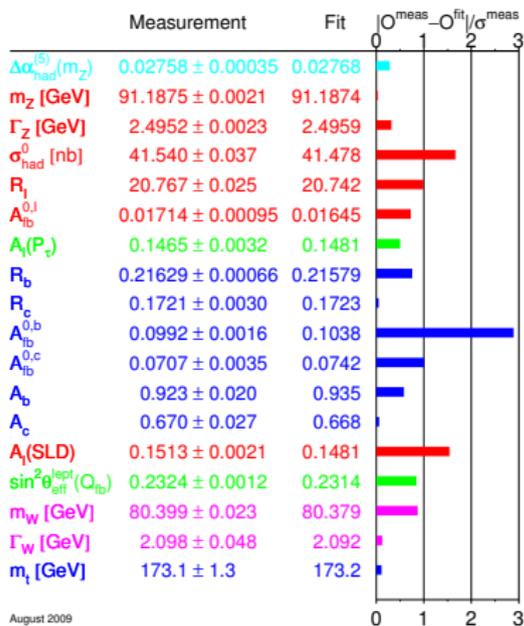
# Electroweak precision physics

$W$  and  $Z$  production processes are one of the theoretically best understood, most precise probes of the Standard Model.

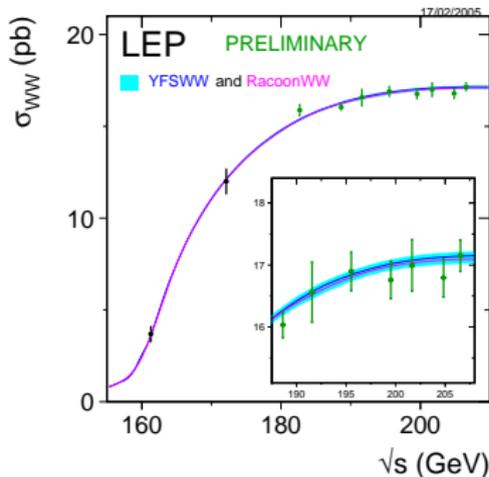
- ▶ Test of the Standard Model (SM) of electroweak and strong interactions as a fully-fledged Quantum Field Theory: sensitivity to multi-loop and non-universal corrections.
- ▶ Check of the consistency of the SM by comparing direct with indirect measurements of model parameters, e.g.,  $m_t$ ,  $M_W$ ,  $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}$ .
- ▶ Constraint on the SM Higgs boson mass.
- ▶ Search for indirect signals of Beyond-the-SM (BSM) physics in form of small deviations from SM predictions.
- ▶ Exclusion of or constraints on BSM physics.

# EW precision physics at LEP-I/SLC, LEP-II

LEPEWWG Summer 2009



August 2009



$$\delta\sigma_{WW}^{\text{theory}} = 0.4\% \text{ at } \sqrt{s} = 200 \text{ GeV}$$

M.Grünwald *et al.*, hep-ph/0005309

$$M_W = 80.376 \pm 0.033 \text{ GeV and } \Gamma_W = 2.196 \pm 0.083 \text{ GeV}$$

# Where is the Higgs boson?

The Higgs particle is predicted as a necessary consequence of our understanding of the origin of mass in the SM.

The Higgs particle so far eluded direct observation.

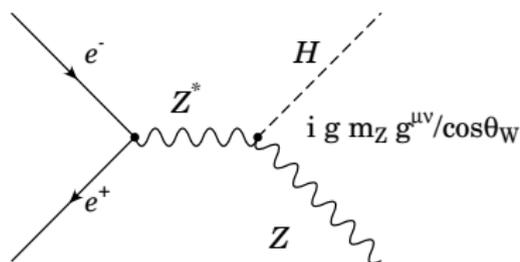
We know from direct (LEP II) and indirect searches (fits to electroweak data) that the SM Higgs boson mass lies in the range  
CERN-PH-EP/2005-051 (update: LEPEWWG webpage)

$$114.4 \text{ GeV} < M_H \lesssim 186 \text{ GeV} \text{ (95 \% C.L.)}$$

⇒ the Higgs boson might be “just around the corner” ...

# Searches for the Higgs boson are extremely challenging

LEP-II and the Tevatron mainly look for the Higgs boson produced in association with a electroweak gauge boson, e.g.,  $e^+e^- \rightarrow Z \rightarrow HZ$ :



and  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ ,  $Z \rightarrow q\bar{q}$

Signature in the detector: 2 b-quark jets (identified via b-tagging) and two light quark jets.

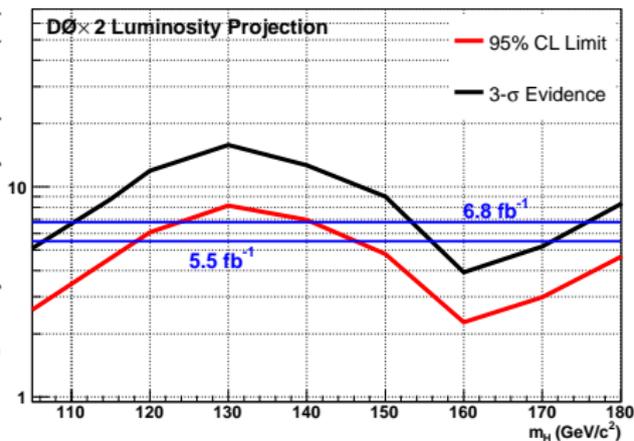
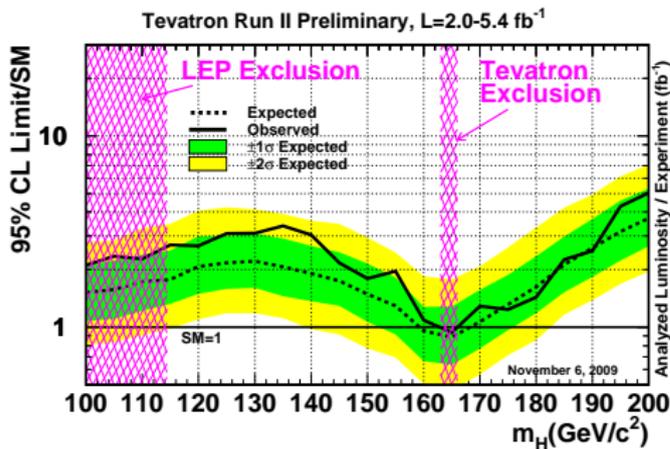
These events are extremely rare:

- ▶ LEP-II: the background (=same signature in the detector but contains no Higgs) is up to two orders of magnitude larger than the Higgs signal.
- ▶ Tevatron:  $\sigma(p\bar{p})/\sigma(p\bar{p} \rightarrow H) \approx 10^{10}$ .
- ▶ LHC: the background for the light Higgs search ( $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ ) is of the order  $10^7$  times larger than the Higgs signal.

# Direct SM Higgs searches at the Tevatron

LEP-II & electroweak precision data: [LEPEWWG Summer 2009](#)

$$114.4 \text{ GeV} < M_H < 186 \text{ GeV} (95\% \text{ C.L.})$$



Tevatron New Phenomena & Higgs WG, [arXiv:0911.3930\[hep-ex\]](#)

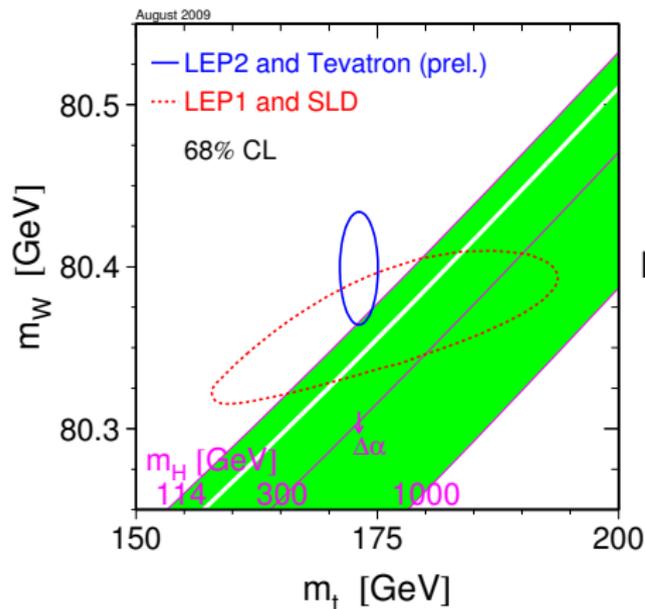
G. Bernardi, [arXiv:0809.5265](#)

The Tevatron has the potential to exclude a large part of the  $M_H$  range preferred by EWPOs at 95 % C.L.

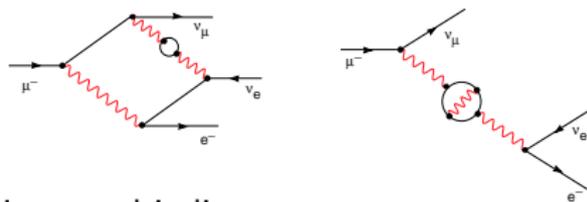
# Indirect searches via presence in loops

$M_W - M_Z$  correlation:

$$M_W^2 \left( 1 - \frac{M_W^2}{M_Z^2} \right) = \frac{\pi\alpha(0)}{\sqrt{2}G_\mu(1 - \Delta r(M_W, m_t, M_H, \dots))}$$



$\Delta r$ : radiative corrections to  $\mu$  decay



Direct and indirect measurements

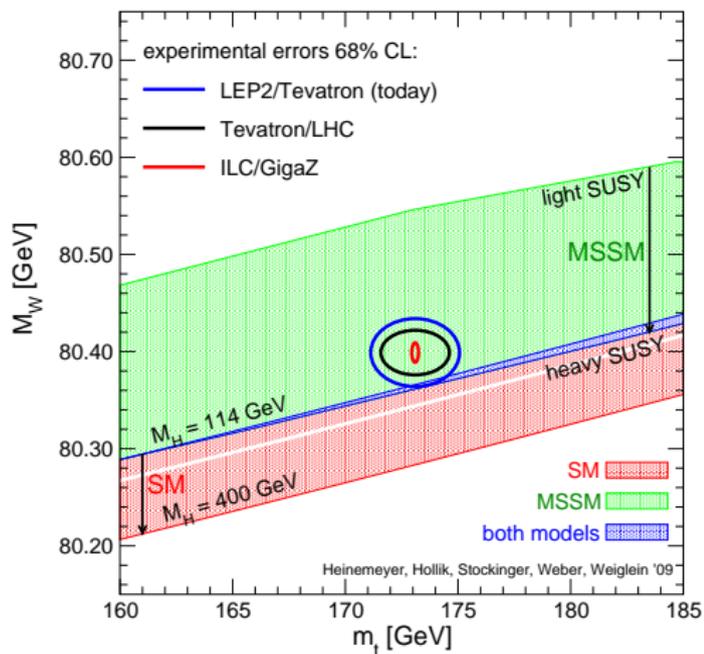
of  $M_W$  are in good agreement:

$$M_W(\text{LEP}, p\bar{p}) = 80.399 \pm 0.025 \text{ GeV}$$

$$M_W(\text{LEP/SLD}) = 80.363 \pm 0.032 \text{ GeV}$$

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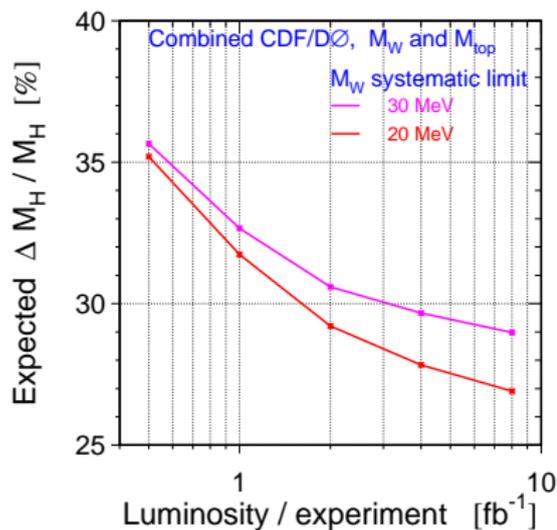
# Sensitivity to BSM physics



S.Heinemeyer *et al.*, hep-ph/0604147

[www.ifca.unican.es/~heinemeyer/uni/plots/](http://www.ifca.unican.es/~heinemeyer/uni/plots/)

# Prospects for $M_W$ , $m_t$ measurements and $M_H$ constraints



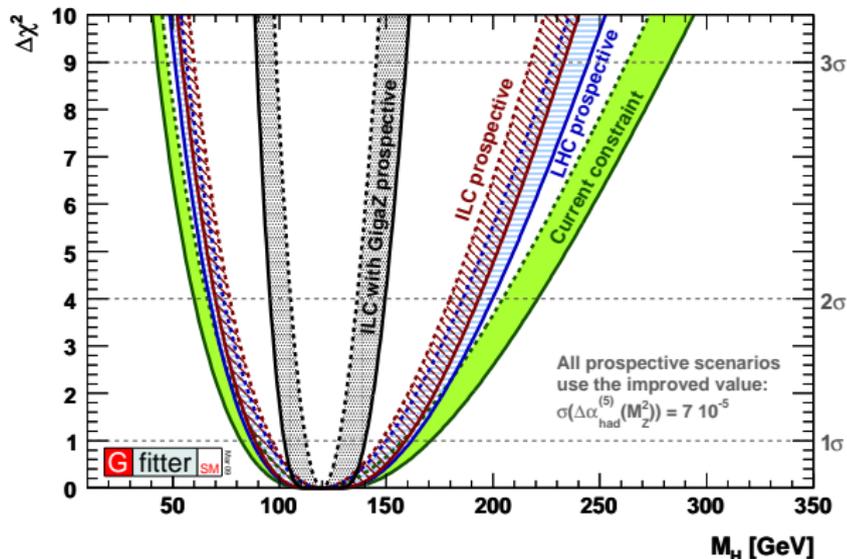
P5 committee (2005)

uncertainty	now	Tevatron 2 $\text{fb}^{-1}$ (final)	LHC	ILC/GigaZ
$\delta M_W$ [MeV]	23	20(15)	15	7
$\delta m_t$ [GeV]	1.3	1.2	1.0	0.13
$\delta M_H / M_H$ [%] (from all data)	40	$\sim 28$	18	8

U.Baur *et al.*, hep-ph/0202001 (updated); see also A.Hoecker, arXiv:0909.0961[hep-ph]

A.Kotwal and J.Stark, Annu.Rev.Nucl.58 (2008)

# Prospective SM Higgs mass constraints from Gfitter



A.Hoecker, arXiv:0909.0961[hep-ph]

Now (for a hypothetical central value):  $M_H = 120_{-40}^{+50}$  GeV

LHC ( $\delta M_W = 15$  MeV):  $M_H = 120_{-35}^{+45}$  GeV

ILC/GigaZ ( $\delta M_W = 6$  MeV,  $\delta m_t = 0.1$  GeV):  $M_H = 120 \pm 19$  GeV

A.Hoecker, arXiv:0909.0961[hep-ph]

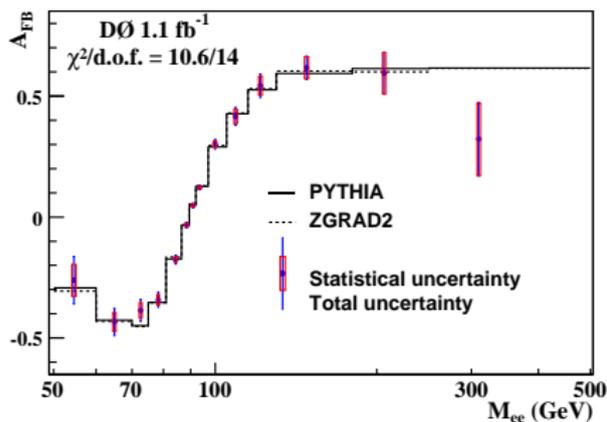
# Electroweak precision physics at the Tevatron and LHC

EW precision physics at the Tevatron and the LHC has many facets:

- ▶ Precision measurements of the  $W$  mass and width and  $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}$ :  
 $d\sigma/dM_T$ ,  $d\sigma/dp_T(l)$  and ratio of  $\sigma_Z$  and  $\sigma_W$ , and  $A_{FB}$
- ▶ Detector calibration and luminosity monitoring:  
 $M_Z, \Gamma_Z$  from  $d\sigma/dM(l\bar{l})$  at the  $Z$  peak and  $\sigma_{W,Z}$
- ▶ Constraints on quark PDFs:  
 $W$  charge asymmetry and  $Z$  rapidity distributions
- ▶ Search for BSM physics, e.g., heavy new gauge bosons ( $Z'$ ):  
 $A_{FB}$  and  $d\sigma/dM(l\bar{l})$  at high  $M(l\bar{l})$
- ▶ Limits on anomalous triple and quartic EW gauge boson self couplings ( $VV$  and  $VVV$  production not discussed here).

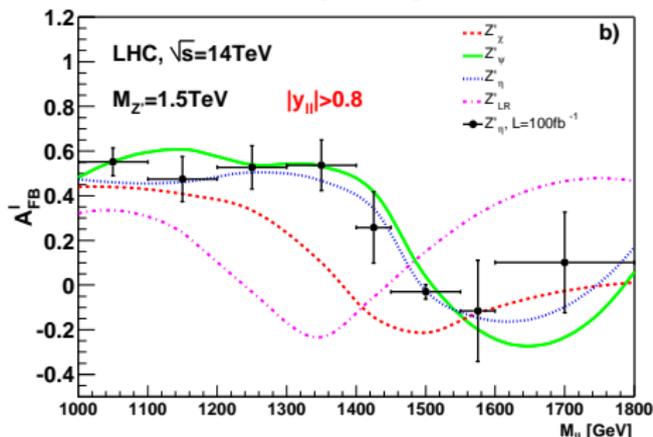
# Search for new physics in $Z$ production: $A_{FB}$ at high $M(\ell\ell)$

D0, arXiv:0804.3220 [hep-ex]



M. Dittmar *et al*, PLB 583 (2004)

Forward backward asymmetry measurement

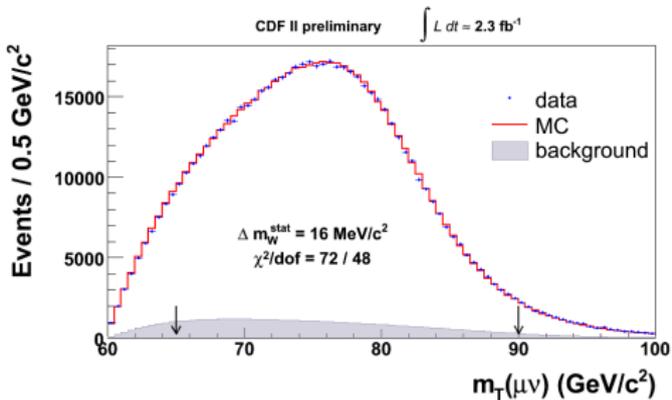


Sensitivity to  $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}$ :

$\delta \sin^2 \theta_{eff} = 19 \times 10^{-4}$  (Tevatron) and  $\delta \sin^2 \theta_{eff} = 14 - 20 \times 10^{-5}$  (LHC)

# EW precision physics at the Tevatron

$$M_T(l\nu_l) = \sqrt{p_T^l p_T^\nu (1 - \cos(\Phi_l - \Phi_\nu))}$$



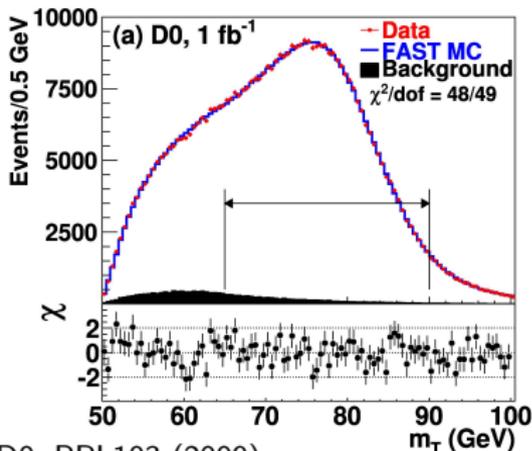
CDF, [www-cdf.fnal.gov](http://www-cdf.fnal.gov)

CDF:  $\delta M_W = 48 \text{ MeV}$  ( $200 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ ) PRL99 (2007), PRD77 (2008)

D0:  $\delta M_W = 43 \text{ MeV}$  ( $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ) PRL103 (2009)

Tevatron combined: TEVEWWG, arXiv:0908.1374[hep-ex]

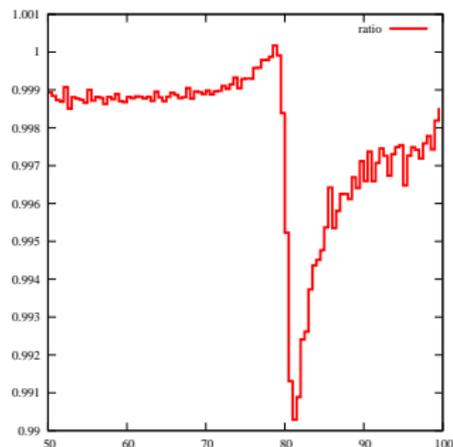
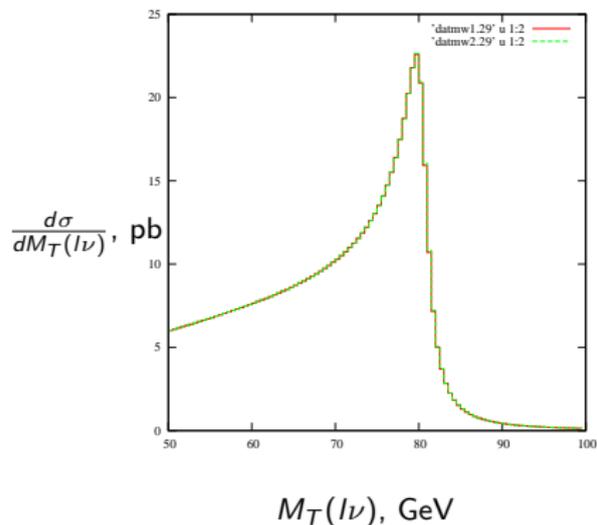
$M_W = 80.420 \pm 0.031 \text{ GeV}$  and  $\Gamma_W = 2.050 \pm 0.058 \text{ GeV}$



D0, PRL103 (2009)

# An illustration: how well do we need to control the relevant observables for $\delta M_W \approx 15$ MeV?

LO  $M_T(l\nu)$  distributions at the Tevatron for  $M_W = 80.398$  GeV and  $M_W = 80.408$  GeV:



inspired by A.Vicini, talk at RADCOR 2009

# Status of predictions for $W/Z$ observables

## QCD corrections:

- ▶ NLO and NNLO QCD (up to  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$ ): total cross sections ( $\sigma_{W,Z}$ ) and fully differential distributions  
R.Hamberg *et al.*, NPB359 (1991); W.L.van Neerven *et al.*, NBP382 (1992);  
W.T.Giele *et al.*, NPB403 (1993)  
L.Dixon *et al.*, hep-ph/031226; K.Melnikov, F.Petriello, hep-ph/0603182;  
S.Catani *et al.*, PRL103 (2009)
- ▶ NLO QCD corrections matched to an all-order resummation of large logarithms  $\ln^n(q_T/Q)$  (at NLL) ( $Q$ :  $W/Z$  virtuality,  $q_T$ :  $W/Z$  transverse momentum).  
C.Balazs, C.-P.Yuan, PRD56 (1997) (ResBos); G.Bozzi *et al.*, NPB815 (2009)
- ▶ NLO QCD corrections matched to a parton shower such as HERWIG (MC@NLO) or POWEG.  
S.Frixione, B.R.Webber, hep-ph/0612272; S.Alioli *et al.*, JHEP0807 (2008)

# Status of predictions for $W/Z$ observables

## Electroweak corrections:

- ▶ EW  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$  corrections  
U.Baur *et al*, PRD65 (2002); C.M.Carloni Calame *et al*, JHEP05 (2005)  
U.Baur, D.W., PRD70 (2004); S.Dittmaier, M.Krämer, PRD65 (2002);  
A.Andonov *et al*, hep-ph/0506110, L.Akhushевич *et al*(2003)
- ▶ Multiple final-state photon radiation  
W.Placzek *et al*, EPJC29 (2003); C.M.Carloni Calame *et al*, PRD69  
(2004);S.Breusung *et al*, PRD77 (2008)
- ▶ Logarithmic enhanced EW corrections at high energies (EW-like Sudakov logarithms)  
J.H.Kühn, Acta Phys.Polon.B39 (2008) (brief review); S.Breusung *et al*, PRD77  
(2008).
- ▶ Electroweak corrections to  $W + 1 - jet$  production S.Dittmaier *et al*,  
JHEP0908 (2009); J.H.Kühn, *et al*, NPB797 (2008).

# Public MC programs for $W/Z$ precision physics

**HORACE**: Electroweak  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$  corrections and multiple photon radiation from initial and final-state leptons as solution of QED DGLAP evolution for lepton SF. EW-like Sudakov logarithms. Interface to MC@NLO.

C.M.Carloni Calame *et al*, PRD69 (2004); JHEP0612 (2006)

<http://www.pv.infn.it/~hepcomplex/horace.html>

**RESBOS**: NLO QCD corrections and all-order soft-gluon resummation. Final-state QED  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$  corrections. C.Balazs, C.P.Yuan, PRD56 (1997)

<http://www.pa.msu.edu/~balazs/ResBos/>

**WGRAD2/ZGRAD2**: Electroweak  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$  corrections.  $Z$  production with proper treatment of higher-order terms around the  $Z$  resonance. EW-like Sudakov logarithms ( $Z$  boson production). U.Baur *et al* PRD65 (2002), U.Baur, D.W., PRD70 (2004)

<http://ubhex.physics.buffalo.edu/~baur/zgrad2.tar.gz>

<http://ubpheno.physics.buffalo.edu/~dow/wgrad.tar.gz>

**SANC**: Electroweak  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$  and NLO QCD corrections.

A. Arbuzov *et al*, EPJ.C54 (2008); EPJ.C46 (2006); arXiv:0901.2785 <http://sanc.jinr.ru>

**FEWZ**: NNLO QCD corrections (fully exclusive).

K.Melnikov, F.Petriello, hep-ph/0603182; L.Dixon *et al*, hep-ph/031226

<http://www.phys.hawaii.edu/~kirill/FEHiP.htm>

and also **DYRAD**, **MCFM**, **MC@NLO**, **WINHAC**, **PHOTOS** 

# General structure of EW corr. to $W/Z$ production

As usual, the structure is determined by phase space generation ( $d\Phi^{(n)}$ ) and computation of the matrix elements squared ( $|\mathcal{M}|^2$ ):

$$d\sigma = d\Phi^{(n)} dx_1 dx_2 f_i(x_1) f_j(x_2) \overline{\sum} |\mathcal{M}(b_1, b_2, p_1, \dots, p_n)|^2$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathcal{M}|^2 &= |\mathcal{M}^{(0)}|^2 [1 + 2\mathcal{R}e(\tilde{F}_{weak}^{initial} + \tilde{F}_{weak}^{final})(M_W^2)] \\ &+ \sum_{\substack{a=initial, final, \\ interf.}} |\mathcal{M}^{(0)}|^2 F_{QED}^a(\hat{s}, \hat{t}, \delta_{s,c}) + |\mathcal{M}_{non-res.}|^2(\hat{s}, \hat{t}) + \\ &+ \sum_{\substack{a=initial, final, \\ interf.}} |\mathcal{M}_{2 \rightarrow 3}|_a^2(\delta_{s,c}) \end{aligned}$$

$2 \rightarrow 3$  weight in blue and  $2 \rightarrow 4$  weight in red.

Negative weights, re-weighting: see discussion in proc. of *QCD and Weak Boson Physics in Run2* (hep-ex/0011009).

# Characteristics of EW corrections to $W/Z$ production

- ▶ **Final-state photon radiation (FSR):**  
in sufficiently inclusive observables the mass singularities completely cancel (KLN theorem). But, depending on the experimental set up, large contributions of the form  $\alpha \log(s/m_f^2)$  can survive.
- ▶ **Initial-state photon radiation (ISR):**  
mass singularities always survive but are absorbed by universal collinear counterterms to the parton distribution functions (mass factorization done in complete analogy to QCD):
  - ▶ introduces dependence on QED factorization scheme (in analogy to QCD, a *DIS* and  $\overline{MS}$  scheme has been introduced)
  - ▶ PDFs including QED corrections have been made available by the MRST collaboration A.D.Roberts *et al.*, EPJC39 (2005).
- ▶ **Electroweak corrections at large energies,  $s \gg M_{W,Z}^2$ :**  
Sudakov-like contributions of the form  $\alpha \log^2(s/M_{Z,W}^2)$  can significantly enhance one-loop corrections.

# Enhanced EW corrections at high energies

- ▶ At energies  $\sqrt{s} \gg M_{W,Z}$  EW corrections are enhanced by

$$\alpha^L \log^N\left(\frac{s}{M_V^2}\right) ; \quad 1 \leq N \leq 2L \quad (L = 1(1 - \text{loop}), \dots)$$

Origin: Remnants of UV singularities after renormalization + soft/collinear ISR and FSR emission of virtual and real  $W/Z$  bosons.

In contrast to QED and QCD, also in inclusive observable these corrections do not completely cancel.

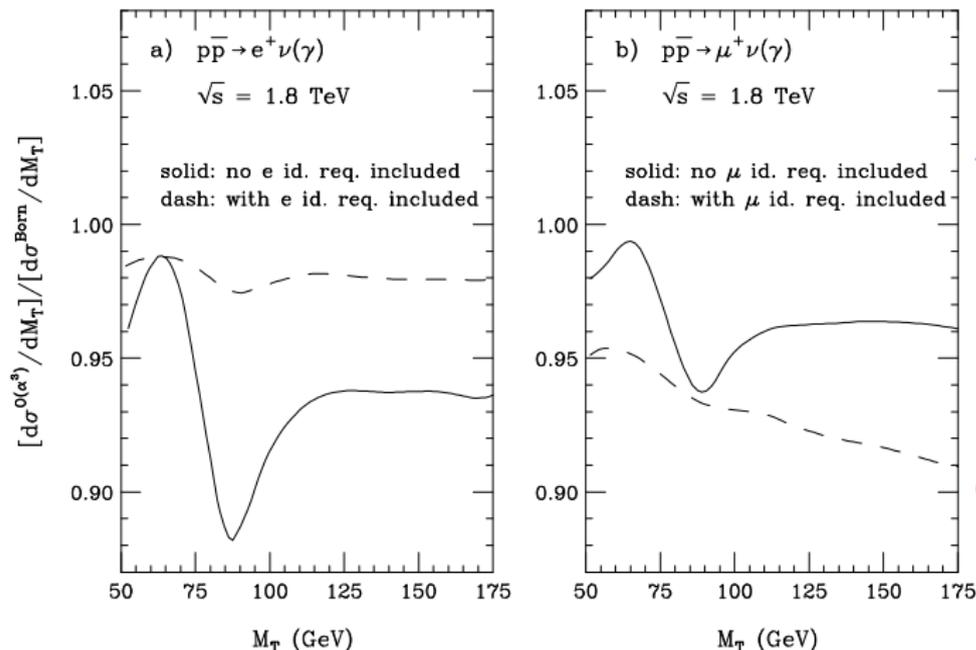
$W/Z$  mass is physical cut-off: real  $W/Z$  radiation is usually not included, since it leads to a different initial/final state.

- ▶ EW logarithmic corrections to 4-fermion processes are known up to 2-loop  $N^3LL$  order and are available in form of compact analytical formula.

for a brief review, see, e.g., J.H. Kühn, Acta Phys.Polon.B39 (2008)

# Impact of EW corrections on $M_T(l\nu)$ at the Tevatron

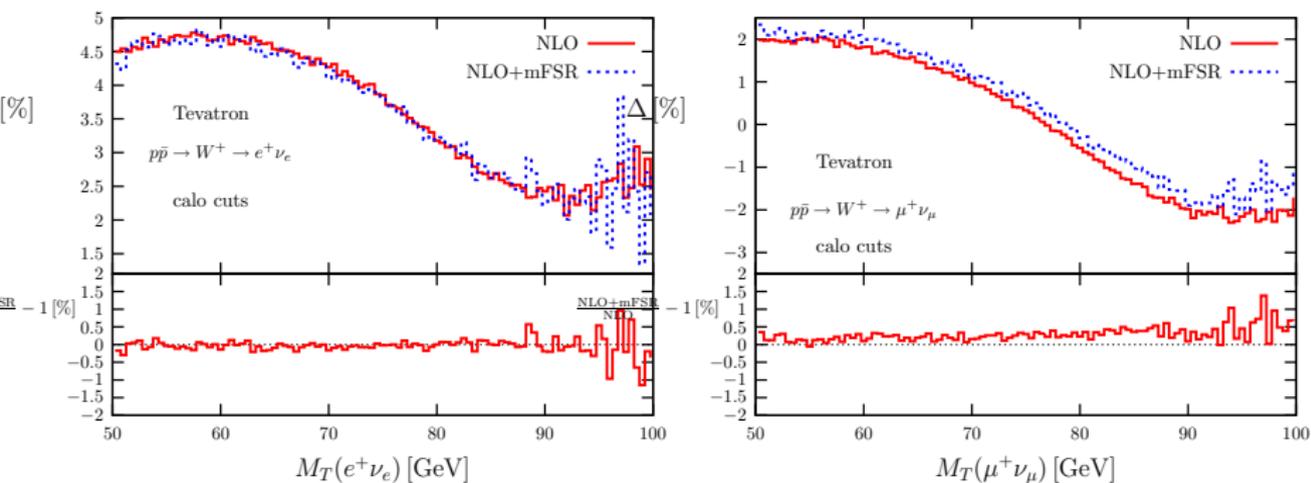
$$M_T = \sqrt{2p_T(l)p_T(\nu)(1 - \cos \Phi^{l\nu})}$$



inclusive vs. exclusive  
treatment of photon

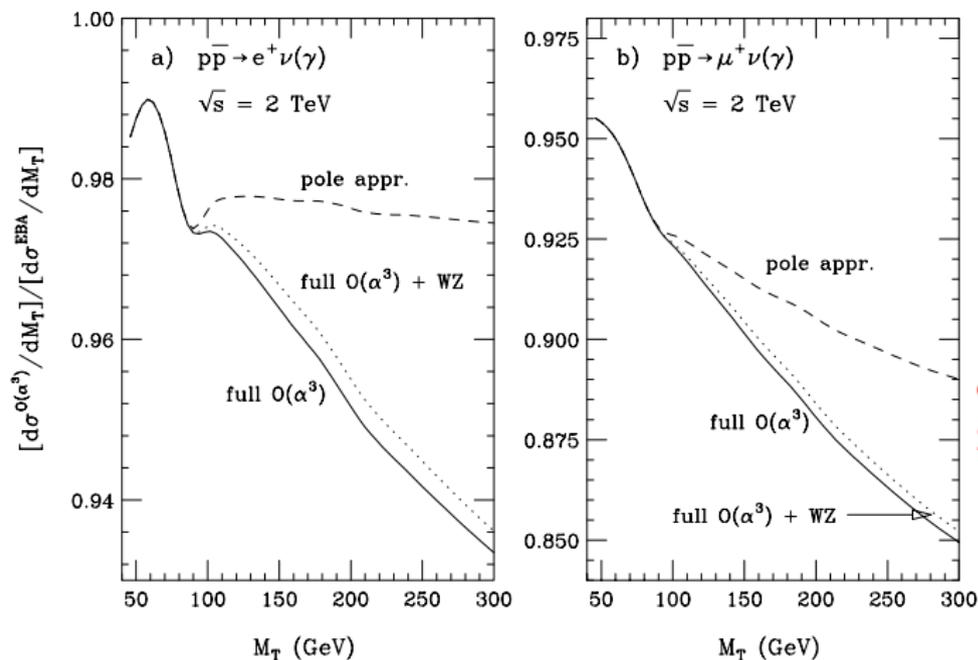
effect of  $\log(s/m_\mu^2)$

# Impact of multiple photon radiation on $M_T(l\nu)$ at the Tevatron



C. Gerber, T. Tait, D.W. *et al*, TEV4LHC TopEW WG report, arXiv:0705.3251 [hep-ph] (with HORACE)

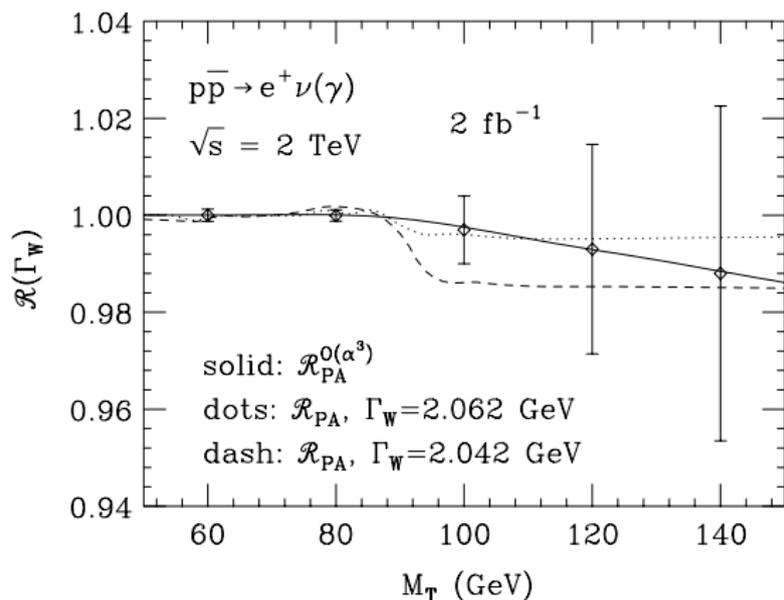
# Pole approximation vs. full $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$ calculation of $p\bar{p} \rightarrow W^+ \rightarrow l^+\nu$ at the Tevatron



effect of EW  
Sudakov-like logs

U.Baur, D.W., PRD70 (2004)

# Impact of non-resonant EW corrections on $\Gamma_W$ at the Tevatron



$$\frac{\{[d\sigma/dM_T]/\sigma_W\}_{\Gamma_W^{SM}}}{\{[d\sigma/dM_T]/\sigma_W\}_{\Gamma_W}} \propto \frac{\Gamma_W}{\Gamma_W^{SM}}$$

input:  $\Gamma_W^{SM} = 2.072 \text{ GeV}$

size of non-res. corr. is of same order as effects due to non-SM values of  $\Gamma_W$

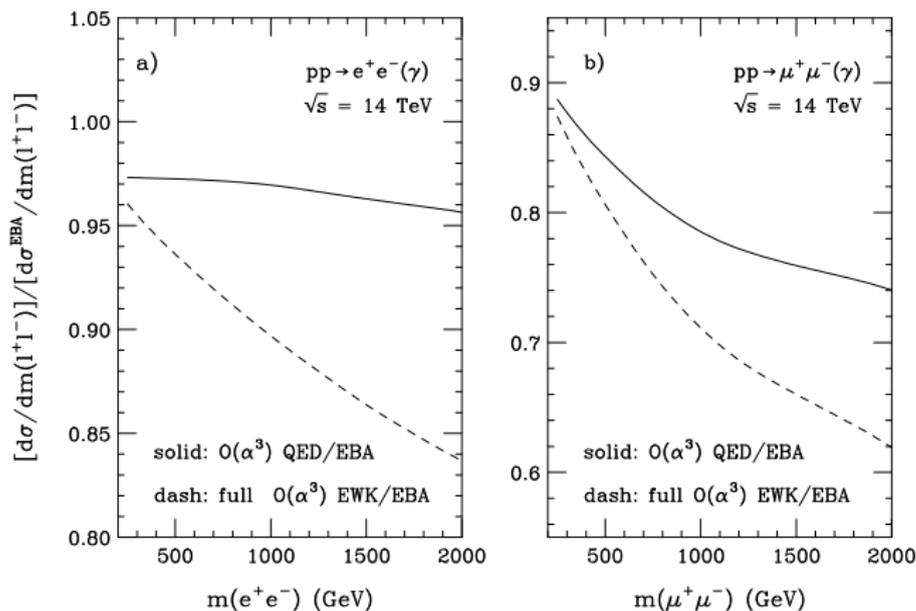
$\chi^2$  fit: ignoring these corrections shifts  $\Gamma_W$  by  $-7.2 \text{ MeV}$  ( $\delta\Gamma_W^{\text{exp}} = 58 \text{ MeV}$ )

U.Baur, D.W., PRD70 (2004)

# Impact of electroweak corrections on the $W$ mass

Exp. Precision	Extra rad. corr.	Shift in $M_W$
TRI: 59 MeV	final-state QED $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$ $W \rightarrow e\nu$ $W \rightarrow \mu\nu$	$-65 \pm 20$ MeV $-168 \pm 20$ MeV
TRII(now): 31 MeV TRII(goal): 15 MeV	full QED and weak $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$ corr. in pole approx.	$\sim 10$ MeV
LHC: 15 MeV	full EW $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$ corr. (no approx.): shifts $W$ width by $\approx 7$ MeV; affects distributions at high $Q^2$	?
	real two-photon radiation changes shape of $M_T(l\nu_l)$ distr.	?
	multiple final-state photon radiation in $W \rightarrow e(\mu)\nu$	2(10) MeV

# Impact of EW corrections on $M(\ell\ell)$ at the LHC at high $M(\ell\ell)$

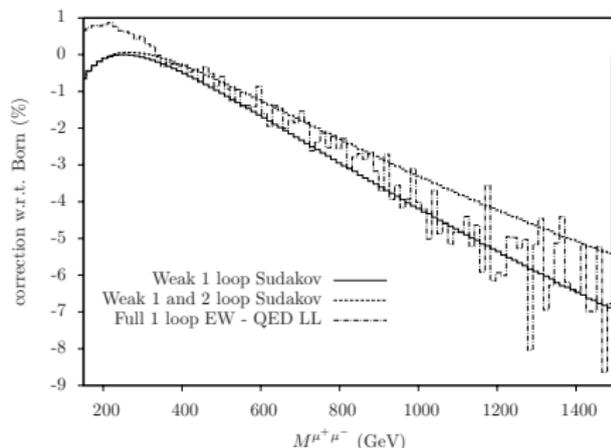
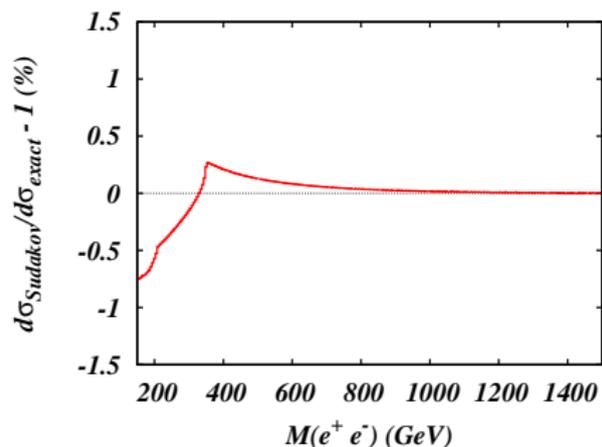


effect of EW  
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U.Baur, D.W. *et al*, PRD65 (2002)

see also U.Baur, PRD75 (2007)

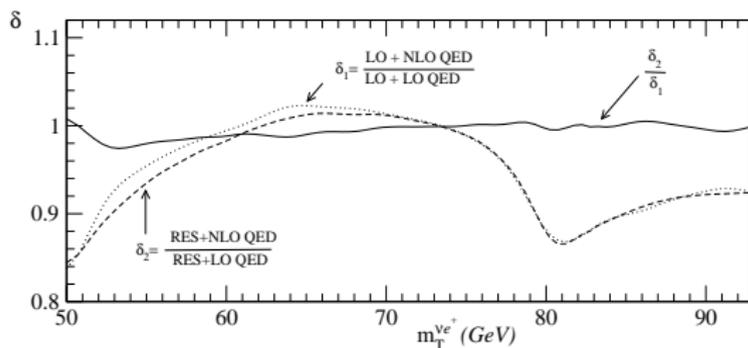
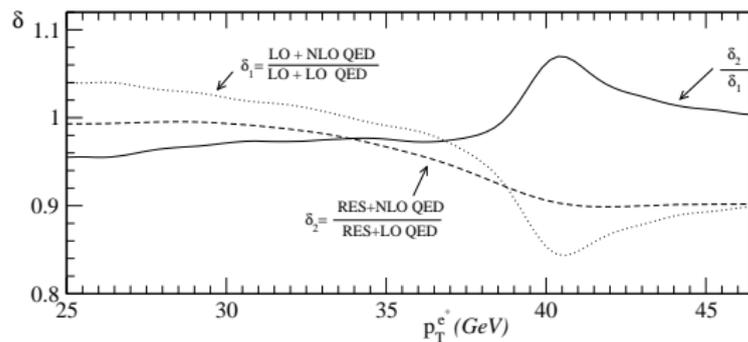
# Complete EW $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$ vs 1-loop and 2-loop Sudakov approximation



Buttar *et al*, LesHouches WG report, arXiv:0803.0678 [hep-ph] (with ZGRAD2 and HORACE)  
B.Jantzen *et al*, NPB731 (2005)

# Impact of combined EW and QCD corrections using ResBos

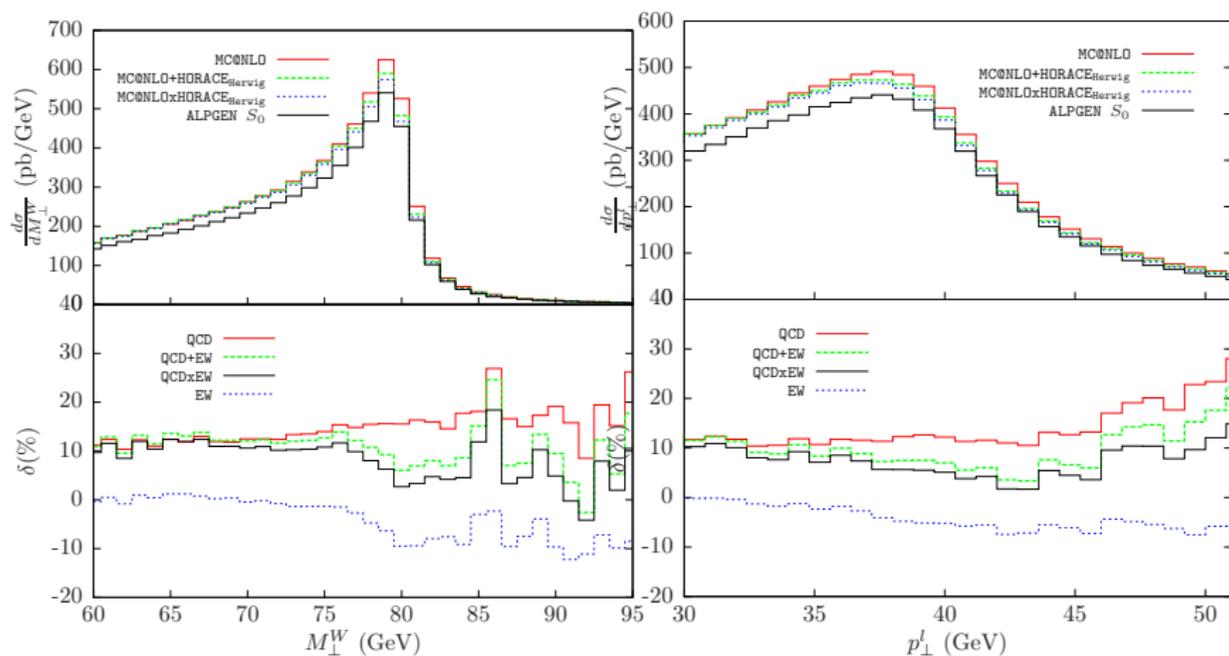
C.-P.Yuan, Q.-H.Cao, PRL93 (2004)



ResBos combines QCD ISR and QED FSR.

Effects of QED when combined with QCD differ from the only QED case !

# Impact of combined EW and QCD corrections using MC@NLO/HORACE



G. Balossini et al, arXiv:0907.0276 [hep-ph]

# Studies of theoretical uncertainties

Are  $W/Z$  observables under theoretical control ?

Theoretical uncertainty due to *missing* higher-order corrections:

- ▶ Tevatron: D0, PRL103 (2009)

$\delta M_W^{theory} \approx 7(7) \text{ MeV } (M_T(p_T^l))$  due to missing higher-order photon radiation

- ▶ LHC: N.Adam *et al.*, arXiv:0808.0758 [hep-ph]

$\delta\sigma_W/\sigma_W = 4.00 \pm 0.61\%$  due to missing  $O(\alpha)$  EW corrections

$\delta\sigma_W/\sigma_W = 1.66 \pm 0.69\%$  due to missing NNLO QCD corrections

## Theoretical uncertainty due to *unknown* higher-order corrections

A MC program providing the *best* prediction by including all known higher-order corrections (EW and QCD) is not yet available.

Tev4LHC ( arXiv:0705.3251 [hep-ph]) and Les Houches (arXiv:0803.0678 [hep-ph]) workshop reports

### Assessment of QCD uncertainties:

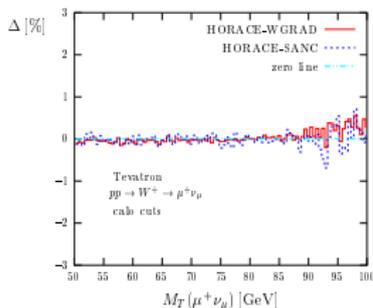
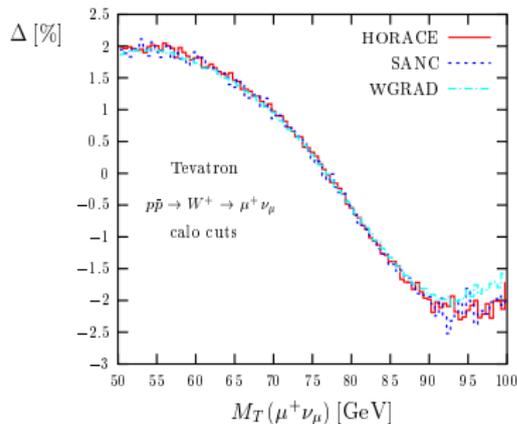
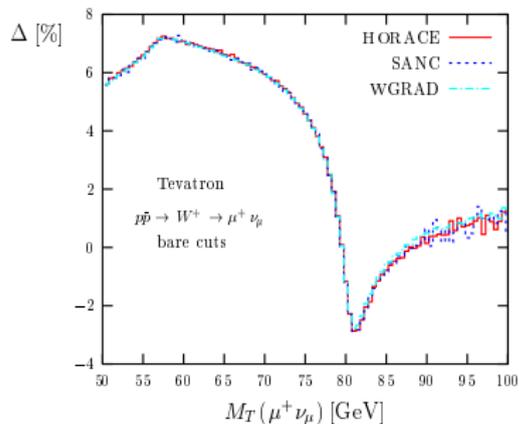
- ▶ QCD factorization/renormalization scale dependence
- ▶ Different treatments of non-perturbative QCD contributions and different implementation of subleading logarithms for  $q_T \lesssim 20$  GeV in soft-gluon resummation (mainly effects  $M_W$  from  $p_T^I$ )

### Assessment of EW uncertainties:

- ▶ Tuned comparisons of EW  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$  calculations
- ▶ EW input scheme dependence and different implementations of higher-order corrections
- ▶ QED scale dependence of PDFs

PDF uncertainty:  $\delta M_W^{PDF} = 9(11)$  MeV and  $\delta\sigma_W/\sigma_W(PDF) = 4\%$   
D0, PRL103 (2009), and N.Adam *et al.*, arXiv:0808.0758 [hep-ph]

# Results of a tuned comparison



C.Gerber, T.Tait, D.W. *et al*, TEV4LHC TopEW WG report, arXiv:0705.3251 [hep-ph]

- ▶ 'NLO at  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^3)$  incl. h.o.': EW input of tuned comparison with

$$\delta M_Z^2 = \text{Re} \left( \Sigma^Z(M_Z^2) - \frac{(\hat{\Sigma}^{\gamma Z}(M_Z^2))^2}{M_Z^2 + \hat{\Sigma}^{\gamma}(M_Z^2)} \right)$$

higher-order (irreducible) corrections connected to the  $\rho$  parameter,  $\Delta\rho^{HO}$

$$\frac{\delta M_Z^2}{M_Z^2} - \frac{\delta M_W^2}{M_W^2} \rightarrow \frac{\delta M_Z^2}{M_Z^2} - \frac{\delta M_W^2}{M_W^2} - \Delta\rho^{HO}$$

- ▶ 'NLO at  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha G_\mu^2)$  incl. h.o.': In addition, change the EW input parameter scheme ( $\alpha(0)$  scheme  $\rightarrow G_\mu$  scheme)

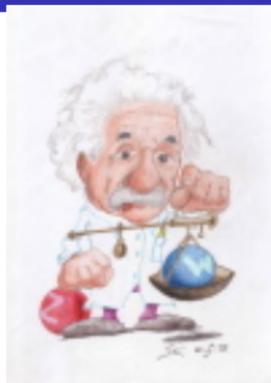
$$\alpha(0) \rightarrow \alpha(G_\mu) = \frac{\sqrt{2}G_\mu M_W^2}{\pi} \left( 1 - \frac{M_W^2}{M_Z^2} \right) (1 - \Delta r),$$

	Tevatron, $\sigma_W$ [pb]	LHC, $\sigma_W$ [pb]
	$p\bar{p} \rightarrow W^+ \rightarrow \mu^+\nu_\mu$	$pp \rightarrow W^+ \rightarrow \mu^+\nu_\mu$
NLO at $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^3)$	738.00(1)	4943.0(1)
NLO at $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^3)$ incl. h.o.	745.80(1)	4995.5(1)
NLO at $\mathcal{O}(\alpha G_\mu^2)$ incl. h.o.	747.62(1)	5006.5(1)

# Conclusion and Outlook

- ▶  $W$  and  $Z$  boson physics at hadron colliders offers plentiful and unique opportunities to test the SM and search for signals of physics beyond the SM.
- ▶ Impressive progress has been made in providing precise predictions at NLO, NNLO and higher (resummation of leading logarithms).
- ▶ We are now in the process to determine if the tools provided are sufficient in view of the anticipated experimental capabilities for EW precision physics at the Tevatron and the LHC.

This involves a careful study of the residual theoretical uncertainties.



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The aim of this meeting was to have extensive discussion sessions where

- ▶ the authors of the NLO event generators (HORACE, RESBOS, W/ZGRAD, SANC, MC@NLO, ...) can discuss theoretical uncertainties, limitations of their codes, possible improvements, plans/recipes for combining with or interfacing to different codes;
- ▶ the experimentalists involved in the  $W$ -mass and  $W$ -width measurements can present and discuss the challenges in the analysis with emphasis on the theory input, and communicate the necessary improvements in the available codes.

The following studies are under way:

- ▶ Tuned comparisons of EW NLO, multiple photon, QCD NLO+resummed (Resbos and parton shower MCs) and QCD NNLO predictions.
- ▶ Comparisons of 'best' predictions under *realistic* conditions and differences expressed in terms of  $\delta M_W$ .
- ▶ Impact of multiple photon radiation beyond LL, QCD+EW interplay (also in showers and PDFs), PDF uncertainties, and QCD resummation prescriptions on  $W/Z$  cross sections and their ratios.

# Outlook: Work in progress in WZGRAD

with Catherine Bernaciak and Andreas Scharf

- ▶ Combination of EW NLO and QCD NLO corrections in one MC generator and interface to parton shower (using POWHEG or Sherpa).
- ▶ Interface of higher-order EW calculations, i.e. multiple photon radiation from final-state leptons and EW Sudakov logarithms, with fixed  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$  calculations.
- ▶ Calculation of mixed QED/QCD  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha\alpha_s)$  corrections.
- ▶ Root ntuples (CTEQ4LHC working group).

- ▶ LEPEWWG website at <http://lepewwg.web.cern.ch/LEPEWWG> (status Summer 2009)
- ▶ CDF Physics Results website at <http://www-cdf.fnal.gov/physics/physics.html>
- ▶ D0 Physics Results website at <http://www-d0.fnal.gov/Run2Physics/WWW/results.htm>

Many Thanks !

See also E.Laenen, D.W., *Radiative Corections for the LHC and Linear Collider Era*, *Annu.Rev.Nucl.Part.Sci* 2009.59:367-96.