# Charged Higgs production with a W boson via b-quark annihilation

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- Charged Higgs
- Higher-order corrections
- $H^-W^+$  production







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## **Charged Higgs**

A charged Higgs would be sign of new physics

2-Higgs doublet models

LHC has good potential for discovery

I will discuss the production process  $b\bar{b} \rightarrow H^- W^+$ 

Higher-order corrections are significant

very massive final states

Soft-gluon corrections are important



$$b(p_1) + \bar{b}(p_2) \to H^-(p_3) + W^+(p_4)$$
  
Define  $s = (p_1 + p_2)^2$ ,  $t = (p_1 - p_3)^2$ ,  $u = (p_2 - p_3)^2$   
and  $s_4 = s + t + u - m_H^2 - m_W^2$ 

At partonic threshold  $s_4 \rightarrow 0$ 

Soft corrections  $\left[\frac{\ln^k(s_4/m_H^2)}{s_4}\right]_+$ 

### **Higher-order corrections**

moments of the partonic cross section with moment variable N:  $\hat{\sigma}(N) = \int (ds_4/s) \ e^{-Ns_4/s} \ \hat{\sigma}(s_4)$ 

factorized expression for the cross section in  $4 - \epsilon$  dimensions

$$\hat{\sigma}^{b\bar{b}\to H^-W^+}(N,\epsilon) = \left(\prod_{i=b,\bar{b}} J_i(N,\mu,\epsilon)\right) H^{b\bar{b}\to H^-W^+}(\alpha_s(\mu)) S^{b\bar{b}\to H^-W^+}\left(\frac{m_H}{N\mu},\alpha_s(\mu)\right)$$

where  $H^{b\bar{b}\to H^-W^+}$  is hard function and  $S^{b\bar{b}\to H^-W^+}$  is soft function

Soft function S satisfies the renormalization group equation

$$\left(\mu\frac{\partial}{\partial\mu} + \beta(g_s,\epsilon)\frac{\partial}{\partial g_s}\right)S^{b\bar{b}\to H^-W^+} = -2S^{b\bar{b}\to H^-W^+}\Gamma_S^{b\bar{b}\to H^-W^+}$$

where  $\Gamma_S^{b\bar{b}\to H^-W^+}$  is the soft anomalous dimension

### **Resummed cross section**

$$\hat{\sigma}_{\text{res}}^{b\bar{b}\to H^-W^+}(N) = \exp\left[\sum_{i=b,\bar{b}} E_i(N_i)\right] H^{b\bar{b}\to H^-W^+} \left(\alpha_s(\sqrt{s})\right) S^{b\bar{b}\to H^-W^+} \left(\alpha_s(\sqrt{s}/\tilde{N}')\right) \times \exp\left[2\int_{\sqrt{s}}^{\sqrt{s}/\tilde{N}'} \frac{d\mu}{\mu} \Gamma_S^{b\bar{b}\to H^-W^+}(\alpha_s(\mu))\right]\right]$$

#### The NNLO collinear and soft-gluon corrections are

$$\frac{d^2 \hat{\sigma}_{aNNLO}^{(2) b\bar{b} \to H^- W^+}}{dt \, du} = F_{LO}^{b\bar{b} \to H^- W^+} \frac{\alpha_s^2}{\pi^2} \left\{ -C_3^{(2)} \frac{1}{m_H^2} \ln^3 \left(\frac{s_4}{m_H^2}\right) + \sum_{k=0}^3 C_k^{(2)} \left[\frac{\ln^k (s_4/m_H^2)}{s_4}\right]_+ \right\}$$

with  $C_3^{(2)} = 8C_F^2$  $C_2^{(2)} = -12C_F^2 \left( \ln\left(\frac{(t-m_W^2)(u-m_W^2)}{m_H^4}\right) + \ln\left(\frac{\mu_F^2}{s}\right) \right) - \frac{11}{3}C_F C_A + \frac{2}{3}C_F n_f$ 

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### **Total cross sections**



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## Charged Higgs $p_T$ distributions



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### Normalized charged Higgs $p_T$ distributions



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### Charged Higgs rapidity distributions



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### Summary

- new results for charged Higgs production
- total cross sections for  $H^-W^+$  production
- charged-Higgs  $p_T$  and rapidity distributions in  $H^-W^+$  production
- higher-order corrections are very significant