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## Lepton-Quark Fusion at Hadron Colliders, precisely

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A. Greljo, N. Selimović: arXiv:2012.02092

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### OUTLINE

- LUX method & Lepton PDFs
- Lepton-Quark fusion (a) NLO:
  - QED
  - *QCD*
- Flavor (a) high  $p_T$

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### • Leptoquark production mechanisms



### PAIR PRODUCTION



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 $\mathcal{L} \supset - y_{q\ell} \, \bar{q} \, S_{LQ} \, \ell \ + \ h \, . \, c \, .$ 



## PAIR PRODUCTION



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### SINGLE PRODUCTION $(+ \ell)$





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COMPARISON: Pair VS Single



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### INDIRECT: Drell-Yan t-channel



[D. A. Faroughy, A. Greljo, and J. F. Kamenik: Confronting lepton flavor universality violation in B decays with high-pT tau lepton searches at LHC arXiv:1609.07138]

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COMPARISON: Pair VS Single VS DY



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[I. Doršner and A. Greljo, Leptoquark toolbox for precision collider studies, arXiv:1801.07641]





## RESONANT SINGLE PRODUCTION (RSP)

Originally: [J. Ohnemus, S. Rudaz, T.F. Walsh, P.M. Zerwas, Single leptoquark production at hadron colliders, Physics Letters B, Volume 334, Issues 1–2, 1994]



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[L. Buonocore, U. Haisch, P. Nason, F. Tramontano, and G. Zanderighi, Lepton-quark collisions at the Large Hadron Collider, arXiv:2005.06475]

•  $\sigma_R(y_{q\ell}, m_{LQ}) = a_R(m_{LQ}) |y_{q\ell}|^2$ 

- Phase-space enhancement
  - Lepton PDF suppression





### COMPARISON



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$$PP: pp \to S_{LQ}^{\dagger}S_{LQ}$$

- $SP: (pp \to S_{LQ} \ell) + c.c$  $RSP: (pp \to S_{LQ}) + c.c$  $\bullet$
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## RSP COLLIDER SIMULATION



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#### *Motivation:* $\gamma$ - *PDF limiting factor* $\bullet$

*Example:* HW<sup>±</sup> production (a) LHC 



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[Manohar, P. Nason, G. P. Salam, and G. Zanderighi: How bright is the proton? A precise determination of the photon parton distribution function, arXiv:1607.04266].

[A. Denner, S. Dittmaier, S. Kallweit, and A. Muck, arXiv:1112.5142].

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*Idea: two different ways to think about the ep - scattering* 

Deep Inelastic Scattering  $(\gamma$ -emitted from e probes the proton structure)



~ structure functions  $F_2(x, Q^2)$  &  $F_L(x, Q^2)$ 

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Parton-model calculation (e probing the photon field generated by the proton)





~  $\gamma$  - parton density distribution  $f_{\gamma}$ 





• 
$$\gamma - PDF$$
 in terms of the structure functions  $F_2(x, Q^2)$  &  $F_L(x, Q^2)$   
$$xf_{\gamma}(x, \mu^2) = \frac{1}{2\pi\alpha(\mu)} \int_x^1 \frac{dz}{z} \left\{ \int_{Q_{\min}^2}^{\frac{\mu^2}{1-z}} \frac{dQ^2}{Q^2} \alpha_{\rm ph}^2(-Q^2) \left[ -z^2 F_L(x/z, Q^2) + \left(zp_{\gamma q}(z) + \frac{2x^2m_{\rm p}^2}{Q^2}\right) F_2(x/z, Q^2) \right] - \alpha^2(\mu) z^2 F_2(x/z, \mu^2) \right\} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha\alpha)$$





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### Long history of ep scattering experiments

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- MS factorisation scheme
- Independent of the probe process

[Manohar, A.V., Nason, P., Salam, G.P. et al. The photon content of the proton. J. High Energ. Phys. 2017, 46]

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### • $\gamma$ - PDF uncertainty < 3 % $x \in [10^{-5}, 0.5]$ , better by $\mathcal{O}(40)$



### LEPTON PDFs

• Fictitious collision determined by:  $\mathscr{L}_{int} \supset \overline{\psi}_h \psi \phi \implies \phi + p \rightarrow \psi + \psi_h$ 

### DIS - like computation



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### Parton-model calculation

[L. Buonocore, P. Nason, F. Tramontano, and G. Zanderighi: Leptons in the proton, arXiv:2005.06477].



### LEPTON PDFs

$$\begin{aligned} x_{\ell} f_{\ell}(x_{\ell}, \mu_F^2) &= M^2 \int_0^1 \mathrm{d}x f_{\ell}(x, \mu_F^2) \delta(Sx - M^2) \\ &= -\frac{\alpha(\mu_F^2)}{2\pi} \int_{x_{\ell}}^1 \mathrm{d}x f_{\gamma}(x) \left\{ z_{\ell} P_{\ell\gamma}(z_{\ell}) \left[ \log \frac{M^2}{\mu_F^2} + \log \frac{(1 - z_{\ell})^2}{z_{\ell}^2} \right] + 4z_{\ell}^2 (1 - z_{\ell}) \right\} \\ &+ \left( \frac{1}{2\pi} \right)^2 \int_{x_{\ell}}^1 \frac{\mathrm{d}x}{x} z_{\ell} \int_x^1 \frac{\mathrm{d}z}{z} \int_{\frac{m_F^2 x^2}{1 - z}}^{\frac{E_{\mathrm{cm}}^2 (1 - z)}{z}} \frac{\mathrm{d}Q^2}{Q^2} \alpha^2 (Q^2) \\ &\times \left\{ P_{\ell\gamma}(z_{\ell}) \left[ F_2 \left( z P_{\gamma q}(z) + \frac{2m_F^2 x^2}{Q^2} \right) - F_L z^2 \right] \log \frac{M^2 (1 - z_{\ell})}{z_{\ell}^3 Q^2} \right. \\ &+ \left. F_2 \left[ 4(z - 2)^2 z_{\ell} (1 - z_{\ell}) - z P_{\gamma q}(z) \right] + F_L z^2 P_{\ell\gamma}(z_{\ell}) - \frac{2m_F^2 x^2}{Q^2} F_2 \right\} \end{aligned}$$

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### GENERALITIES

- (SCALAR) LQs transform in the (anti)fundamental representation of SU(3)  $\bullet$
- Various  $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_V$  multiplets possible
  - - $\implies$  NLO QED
- *SM fermion content:*

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -y_{q\ell}^L \,\bar{q} P_L \ell \, S_{Q_L}$$

- $q_{L,R}$ ,  $l_{L,R}$  charge and mass eigenstates

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Interaction with gluons completely specified  $\implies$  NLO QCD

Interested only interaction with a photon after the EWSB  $|Q_{LO}| = \{1/3, 2/3, 4/3, 5/3\}$ 

 $_{LO} - y_{q\ell}^R \bar{q} P_R \ell S_{Q_{LO}} + \text{h.c.}$ 

Access to  $u_{L,R}$ ,  $d_{L,R}$ ,  $s_{L,R}$ ,  $c_{L,R}$ ,  $b_{L,R}$ ,  $e_{L,R}$ ,  $\mu_{L,R}$ ,  $\tau_{L,R}$ 



### GENERALITIES

- $t_{L,R}$  too heavy,  $\nu$  not created in photon splitting, higher order effect
- Massless fermions (corrections  $O(m_f/\sqrt{s})$  negligible)
  - No  $y_{a\ell}^L$  and  $y_{a\ell}^R$  interferenc
  - All 1-loop corrections  $\sim$



- RSP specified by 1 entry in the Yukawa matrix
- If several flavours contribute  $\hat{\sigma} = \sum |y_{q\ell}|^2 \hat{\sigma}_{q\ell}$  $q, \ell$

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$$|y_{q\ell}| \text{ vanish}$$

$$S^{i} \qquad P^{2} \qquad P^{2}$$



## SIZE OF THE NLO CORRECTIONS

• *Hadronic cross-section:* 

$$\sigma(s) = 2 \sum_{ij} \int_{\xi}^{1} dy f_i(y)$$

• Size set by  $f_{i,j}$  and  $\hat{\sigma}_{ij}$ 

• 
$$\xi = m_{LQ}^2 / s$$
,  $z = m_{LQ}^2 / \hat{s}$ ,  $y - f$ 

• 
$$\{ij\} = \{q\ell, g\ell, q\gamma\}$$

• Leading order size:



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 $\int_{\xi/y}^{1} dz \, \frac{\xi}{yz^2} \, f_j\left(\frac{\xi}{yz}\right) \, \hat{\sigma}_{ij}(z)$ 

fraction of proton momentum by parton "i"

 $\sigma_{LO}(s) \sim \left[ (f_q \otimes f_{\ell}) \overline{|y_{ql}|}^2 \right]^2$ J  $\mathcal{O}(?)$ 



## SIZE OF THE NLO CORRECTIONS

Power counting (in  $\alpha_s$ ):

$$f_q \sim f_g \sim \mathcal{O}(\sum_{n} (\alpha_s L)^n) \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$$

$$\alpha_s \sim 1/L \qquad L = \log(\mu_F^2/\Lambda^2) \qquad \mu_F - f_F$$

• *QED coupling size:*  $\alpha \sim \alpha_s^2$ 

•  $\gamma$  - PDF, 1st order QED effect:  $f_{\gamma} \sim \mathcal{O}(\alpha L) \sim \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$ 

*Leading order size:*  $\sigma_{LO}(s) \sim \left[ (f_q \otimes f_\ell) |y_{ql}|^2 \sim 1 \times \alpha_s^2 \times 1 \sim \alpha_s^2 \right]$ 

Typical NLO QCD correction: ~  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3)$ 

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#### $\Lambda$ - hadronic scale factorisation scale

# $\ell$ - PDF, 2nd order QED effect: $f_{\ell} \sim O((\alpha L)^2) \sim O(\alpha_s^2)$





## SIZE OF THE NLO QCD CORRECTIONS





 $q + \ell \rightarrow LQ + soft gluon$ 

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Virtual corrections

 $q + \ell \rightarrow LQ$ , gluon dressed

### Real radiation





## SIZE OF THE NLO QED CORRECTIONS



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LQ non-universal (depend on electric charge, in contrast to QCD corrections)

$$\rightarrow LQ + \ell$$

$$Q_{\mathrm{LQ}} \frac{(2q-p_1)^{\mu}}{(q-p_1)^2 - m^2} + Q_{\mathrm{q}} \frac{(p_1' + p_2')}{(p_1 + p_2)^2} \gamma^{\mu} \bigg] \zeta(p_2) \epsilon_{\mu}(p_1)$$

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Centre of mass frame kinematics: 

$$p_1^{\mu} = \frac{\sqrt{\hat{s}}}{2}(1, 0, 0, 1), \quad p_2^{\mu} = \frac{\sqrt{\hat{$$

- Defining:  $w = (1 \cos \theta)/2 \implies \hat{t} = -\hat{s}w(1 z)$
- Averaged squared matrix element:

$$|\overline{\mathcal{M}}|^2 = \frac{|y_{q\ell}|^2 e^2}{d-2} \left( \frac{\mathcal{M}_{div}^2}{\mathcal{M}_{div}^2} + \mathcal{M}_{fin}^2 \right)$$

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Collinear divergences regulated in Dimensional regularisation with  $d = 4 - 2\epsilon$ 

Diagram (a) or its interference



$$\mathcal{M}_{\rm div}^2 = \frac{1}{w} \left[ \frac{d-2}{2(1-z)} + 2Q_{\rm q}z + Q_{\rm LQ} \left( 1 - \frac{1+2z}{1-w(1-z)} \right) \right],$$
  
$$\mathcal{M}_{\rm fin}^2 = \frac{(1-w)(1-z)}{1-w(1-z)} \left[ Q_{\rm LQ}^2 \left( 1 - \frac{2z}{1-w(1-z)} \right) - Q_{\rm q}Q_{\rm LQ} \left( 1 - 2z \right) \right]$$
  
$$+ Q_{\rm q} \left( d - 2(1+z) \right) - Q_{\rm LQ} \left( 1 - \frac{1+2z}{1-w(1-z)} \right) + \frac{d-2}{2} Q_{\rm q}^2 w(1-z)$$

• Integrate over the phase-space:

$$\frac{1}{16\pi\hat{s}} \left(\frac{4\pi\mu^2}{\hat{s}}\right)^{\frac{4-d}{2}} \int_0^1 |\overline{\mathcal{M}}|^2 \frac{[w(1-w)]^{\frac{d-4}{2}} (1-z)^{d-3}}{\Gamma(\frac{d-2}{2})} dw$$

• 
$$\mathcal{M}_{fin}^2$$
 safe for  $d = 4$ :

 $\hat{\sigma}_{\text{fin}} = \frac{\pi |y_{q\ell}|^2}{4\hat{s}} \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \bigg[ Q_{q} Q_{LQ} (1 - 2z)(z - z \log z - 1) + Q_{LQ}^2 (1 + z - z) \bigg] + Q_{LQ}^2 (1 + z) \bigg]$ 

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$$-2z^{2} + 3z\log z) + 2Q_{q}\left(1 + \frac{Q_{q}}{4}\right)(1-z)^{2} + Q_{LQ}(z - (1+2z)\log z - (1+2z)\log z) + Q_{LQ}(z - (1+2z)\log z) + Q_{LQ}(z$$

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## 1)

• 
$$\mathcal{M}_{div}^{2} \text{ in } d = 4 - 2\epsilon:$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_{div} = \frac{\pi |y_{q\ell}|^{2}}{4\hat{s}} \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \left(\frac{4\pi\mu^{2}}{\hat{s}}\right)^{\epsilon} \frac{1}{\Gamma(1-\epsilon)} \int w^{-1-\epsilon} (1-w)^{-\epsilon} (1-z)^{1-2\epsilon} \mathcal{F}(w,z) dw,$$

$$\mathcal{F}(w,z) = \frac{1}{1-z} + (1+\epsilon) \left[ 2Q_{q}z + Q_{LQ} \left( 1 - \frac{1+2z}{1-w(1-z)} \right) \right].$$
Divergence explicit after:  $w^{-1-\epsilon} = -\frac{1}{\epsilon} \delta(w) + \frac{1}{w_{+}} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$ 
Plus distribution: 
$$\int_{0}^{1} \frac{f(1-w)}{w_{+}} dw = \int_{0}^{1} \frac{f(1-w) - f(1)}{w} dw$$

$$\begin{split} \hat{\sigma}_{\text{div}} &= \frac{\pi |y_{q\ell}|^2}{4\hat{s}} \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \left( \frac{4\pi\mu^2}{\hat{s}} \right)^{\epsilon} \frac{1}{\Gamma(1-\epsilon)} \left[ -\frac{1}{\epsilon} \left( 1 + 2(Q_{q} - Q_{LQ})z(1-z) \right) + 2\log(1-z) \right. \\ &+ Q_{LQ}(1-z)(1+2z)\log z - 2(Q_{q} - Q_{LQ})z(1-z)(1-2\log(1-z)) \right] \\ & Divergence \ universal: \ P_{\ell \leftarrow \gamma}(z) &= z^2 + (1-z)^2 \end{split}$$

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## PDF RENORMALISATION

- Only hadronic cross-section  $\sigma_{q\gamma}$  is physical (measurable)
- - At factorisation scale  $\mu_F$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\sigma}^{CT} &= \frac{\pi |y_{q\ell}|^2}{4\hat{s}} \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} (4\pi)^{\epsilon} \frac{1}{\epsilon \Gamma(1-\epsilon)} P_{\ell \leftarrow \gamma}(z) \\ & \frac{\pi z |y_{q\ell}|^2}{4m_{\rm LQ}^2} \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \left( -\log\left(\frac{z\,\mu_{\rm F}^2}{(1-z)^2 m_{\rm LQ}^2}\right) (z^2 + (1-z)^2) + X_{Q_{\rm LQ}}(z) \right) \\ \hat{\sigma} + \frac{2}{9} (1-5z) z \log z \\ \hat{\sigma} + \frac{8}{9} (1-2z) z \log z \\ \hat{\sigma} + \frac{8}{9} (1-2z) z \log z \end{aligned}$$

$$\overline{MS} - factorisation scheme (no choice here)$$

$$\hat{\sigma}^{CT} = \frac{\pi |y_{q\ell}|^2}{4\hat{s}} \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} (4\pi)^{\epsilon} \frac{1}{\epsilon \Gamma(1-\epsilon)} P_{\ell \leftarrow \gamma}(z)$$

$$\text{Universal log}$$

$$\text{Finite result:} \quad \hat{\sigma}_{q\gamma} = \frac{\pi z |y_{q\ell}|^2}{4m_{LQ}^2} \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \left( -\log\left(\frac{z \, \mu_F^2}{(1-z)^2 m_{LQ}^2}\right) (z^2 + (1-z)^2) + X_{Q_{LQ}}(z) \right)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{3}(z) = -\frac{2}{9} (1-z)(5-13z) + \frac{2}{9} (1-5z) z \log z$$

$$X_{4/3}(z) = \frac{1}{18} (1-z)(13+103z) + \frac{16}{9} (2-z) z \log z$$

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$$X_{5/3}(z) = \frac{2}{9} (1-z)(7+37z) + \frac{10}{9} (5-z) z \log z$$

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When convoluting with PDFs, absorb the collinear singularity into the "bare" PDFs

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Completely analogous situation with gluon in the initial state (same structure of the correction)

$$\hat{\sigma}_{g\ell}(z) = \frac{\pi z |y_{q\ell}|^2}{4m_{\mathrm{LQ}}^2} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} T_R \left[ -\log\left(\frac{z}{(1-z)^2}\right) \right]$$

New things appear in virtual corrections

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• Virtual correction:  

$$\hat{\sigma}^{V}(z) = \frac{\pi z |y_{q\ell}|^{2}}{4m_{LQ}^{2}} \left\{ 1 + \frac{\alpha_{s}}{2\pi} C_{F} \left[ \frac{3}{2} L_{\mu}^{UV} - \frac{5}{2} \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon_{IR}} + L_{\mu}^{IR} \right) - \frac{1}{\epsilon_{IR}^{2}} - \frac{1}{\epsilon_{IR}} L_{\mu}^{IR} - \frac{1}{2} \left( L_{\mu}^{IR} \right)^{2} - \frac{\pi^{2}}{12} - 2 \right] \right\} \delta(1 - \epsilon_{IR}^{V})$$

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Gluon loops: a) quark wave-function, b) LQ wave-function, c) q - l - LQ vertex

[J. Fuentes-Martín, G. Isidori, M. König, and N. Selimovic: Vector leptoquarks beyond tree level. II. O(as) corrections and radial modes, arXiv:2006.16250].







*IR divergences from virtual loops and real radiation cancel:* 



$$q + \ell \rightarrow$$

$$\hat{\sigma}^{R}(z) = \frac{\pi z |y_{q\ell}|^{2}}{4m_{LQ}^{2}} \frac{\alpha_{s}}{2\pi} C_{F} \left\{ \delta(1-z) \left[ -\frac{3}{2} L_{\mu}^{IR} + \frac{5}{2} \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon_{IR}} + L_{\mu}^{IR} \right) + \frac{1}{\epsilon_{IR}^{2}} + \frac{1}{\epsilon_{IR}} L_{\mu}^{IR} + \frac{1}{2} \left( L_{\mu}^{IR} \right)^{2} - \frac{\pi^{2}}{4} + 2 \right] \right. \\ \left. + 2(1+z^{2}) \left( \frac{\log(1-z)}{(1-z)} \right)_{+} - \frac{2z}{(1-z)_{+}} - \frac{1+z^{2}}{(1-z)_{+}} \log \left( \frac{z\mu_{F}^{2}}{m_{LQ}^{2}} \right) \right\}.$$

*Combination (virtual + real + quark PDF renormalised) is finite:* 

$$\hat{\sigma}_{q\ell}(z) = \frac{\pi z |y_{q\ell}|^2}{4m_{\rm LQ}^2} \left\{ \left[ 1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} C_F\left(\frac{3}{2}\log\left(\frac{\mu_{\rm R}^2}{\mu_{\rm F}^2}\right) - \frac{\pi^2}{3}\right) \right] \delta(1-z) - \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} C_F\left[\frac{2z}{(1-z)_+} - 2(1+z^2)\left(\frac{\log(1-z)}{(1-z)}\right)_+ + \frac{1+z^2}{(1-z)_+}\log\left(\frac{z\mu_{\rm F}^2}{m_{\rm LQ}^2}\right) + \frac{1+z^2}{(1-z)_+}\log\left(\frac{z\mu_{\rm F}^2}{m_{\rm LQ}^2}\right) \right\} \right\}$$

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LQ + soft gluon





## NUMERICS

- Large LQ mass window  $m_{LO} = [500 5000] GeV$
- Lepton PDFs  $Q^2$  dependence up to  $m_h^2$

Extrapolation by solving DGLAP equations using HOOPET 

Gauge couplings and the LQ coupling renormalisation running included

- PDF errors by the method of replicas
  - *Error* = *standard deviation over 100 replicas*

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Partonic cross-sections convoluted with LUX1ep-NNPDF31 nlo as 0118 luxqed (v2)

[G. P. Salam and J. Rojo : A Higher Order Perturbative Parton Evolution Toolkit (HOPPET), arXiv:0804.3755]

*Central renormalisation and factorisation scales*  $\mu_R = \mu_F = m_{LO}$ 

Higher-orders uncertainty  $\{\mu_R, \mu_F\} \in [0.5 - 2] m_{LO}$  with  $0.5 \le \mu_R/\mu_F \le 2$ 

[NNPDF Collaboration, R. D. Ball et al.: Parton distributions from high-precision collider data, arXiv:1706.00428].







### MAIN RESULTS



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- Report cross section for  $(pp \rightarrow LQ) + c \cdot c$
- Scale variation uncertainty < few % *(QED inclusion essential)*
- NLO K-factors only slight dependence on  $m_{LQ}$ ,  $Q_{LQ}$ , and lepton flavor

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### RESULTS

### Dependence of NLO K-factors on the PDF uncertainties:

- Calculate  $\sigma_{NLO}/\sigma_{LO}$  for each replica
- PDF uncertainties cancel
- Lepton shower Monte Carlos in the near future [P. Richardson and T. Sjostrand, work in progress]

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 $1\sigma$  band around the central PDF prediction does not exceed scale variation band

Applications in the future LHC RSP searches to correct the overall signal yield

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FLAVOR AT HIGH - P<sub>T</sub>



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• Poor knowledge of sea quarks at large x significant limiting factor



### CONCLUSIONS

- NLO QCD and QED corrections to resonant LQ production calculated  $\bullet$
- Estimation of theoretical uncertainties
- Leading source of error: limited knowledge of sea quark PDFs at large x

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Results applicable for a general scalar LQ model with arbitrary flavour couplings

(If LQ discovered) measurements of the resonant process, its charge-conjugate, and single process would help deducing the flavour structure of LQ interactions



# HVALA!

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