

On the Light Massive Flavor Dependence of the Top Quark Mass

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- ▶ Well known property of **pole mass** of a heavy quark Q :
 - ▶ Linearly **sensitive to small momenta** → sensitivity to regime where QCD **non-perturbative**.
 - ▶ Defined to **absorb all on-shell self energy (OS-SE) corrections** (including **scales $< 1 \text{ GeV}$**).
 - ▶ Low momentum sensitivity **grows** rapidly with **loop order**.
- ▶ Leads to “ $\mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}})$ **renormalon**”:
 - ▶ **Bad perturbative behavior**
→ **Factorially diverging** asymptotic high order behavior.
 - ▶ Intrinsic $\mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}})$ **ambiguity** of pole mass value.

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- ▶ Asymptotic behavior can be relevant already at **low orders**:
 $m_c^{\text{pole}} - \overline{m}_c = 0.2108 + 0.1984 + 0.2725 + (0.4843 \pm 0.0005) \text{ GeV}$

Light Mass Dependence

- ▶ Top quark physics: In most applications bottom and charm taken to be massless.
- ▶ High order pole mass considerations: Sensitive to lighter massive quarks q ($m_q > \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$) due to linear low momentum sensitivity.
 - ▶ Big impact: Mass of virtual quark loops act as IR-cutoff.
⇒ Mass effects change IR structure, effectively remove massive quark from high order behavior,
⇒ by itself plagued by renormalon.

Light Mass Dependence

- ▶ Light mass effects in top **pole- $\overline{\text{MS}}$** relation:

$$m_t^{\text{pole}} - \overline{m}_t = \overline{m}_t \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n(\textcolor{blue}{n_t + 1}, 0) \left(\frac{\alpha_s^{(n_t+1)}(\overline{m}_t)}{4\pi} \right)^n + \overline{m}_t \left[\bar{\delta}_t^{(t,b,c)}(1, r_{bt}, r_{ct}) \right].$$

$(n_t = 5, r_{qQ} = \overline{m}_q / \overline{m}_Q)$

- ▶ Mass corrections $\bar{\delta}_t^{(t,b,c)}$: Account for masses of virtual **top, bottom, charm** loops.

Aims

- ▶ Aim: Study contributions from light massive flavors in coherent, systematic manner by using a renormalization group (RG) framework:
 - ▶ Study large order behavior and structure of mass corrections,
 - ▶ study overall large order behavior,
 - ▶ resum logs of quark mass ratios in resulting multi-scale problem,
 - ▶ show consequences of heavy quark symmetry (HQS).

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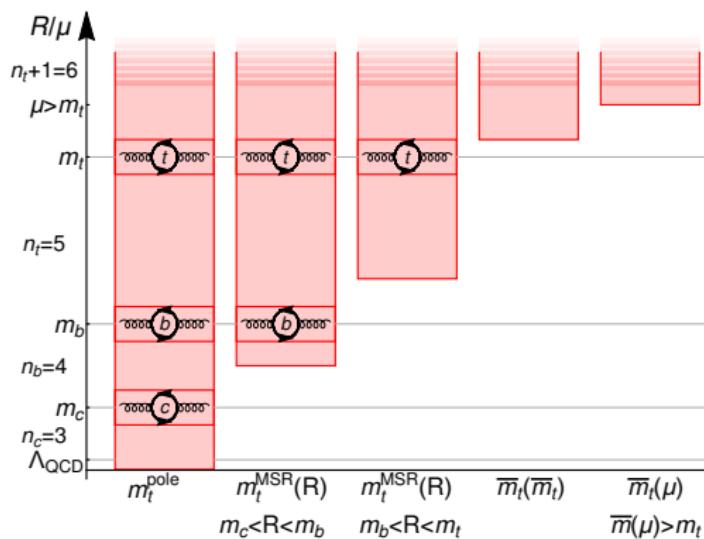
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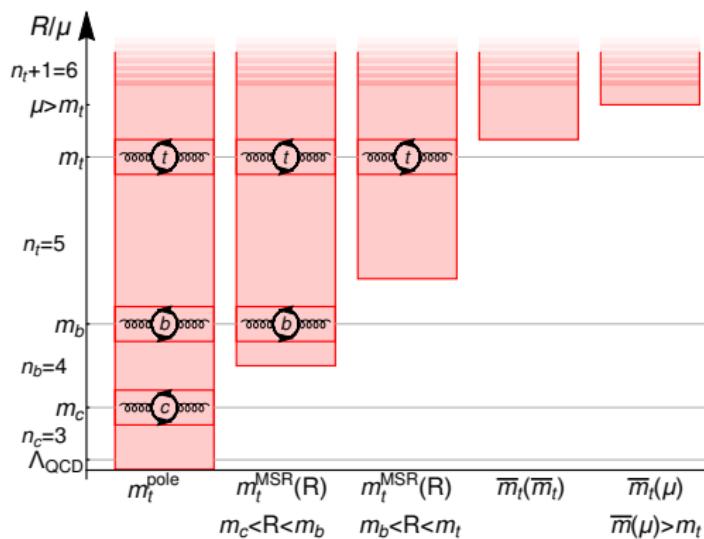
- ▶ Difference of mass contributions encodes HQS-breaking.
 - ▶ Renormalon cancels in difference!

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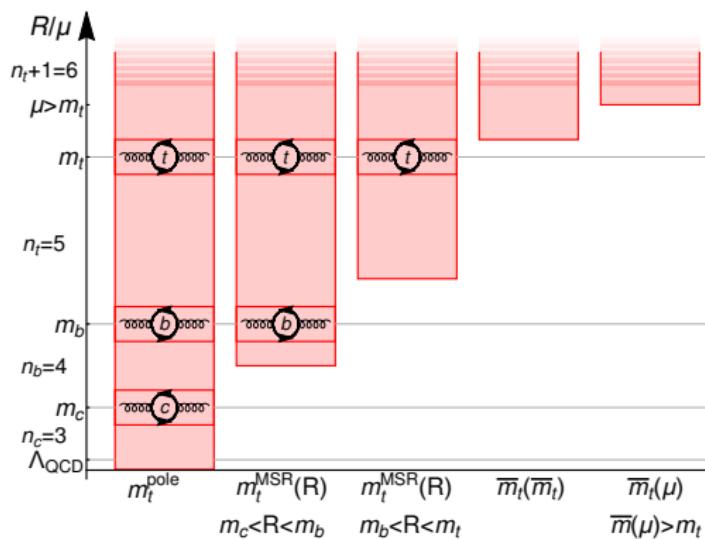
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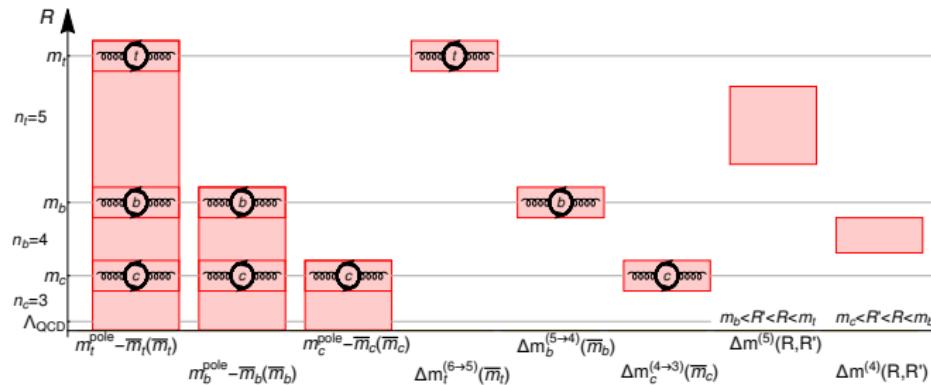
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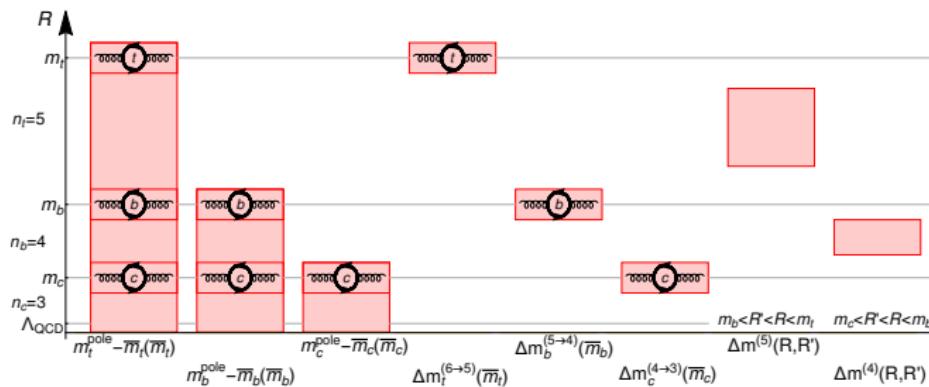
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- Matching from integrating out virtual massive flavor loops,
- R-evolution between mass scales → sums logs to all orders,

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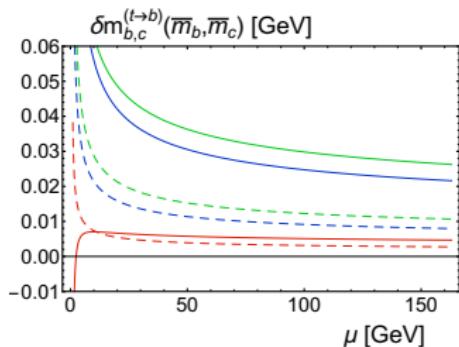
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- Mass matching $\overline{m}_t \delta_t^{(b)} - \overline{m}_b \delta_b^{(b)}$ (HQSS-breaking term),
- Series containing the renormalon (scales $< R$).

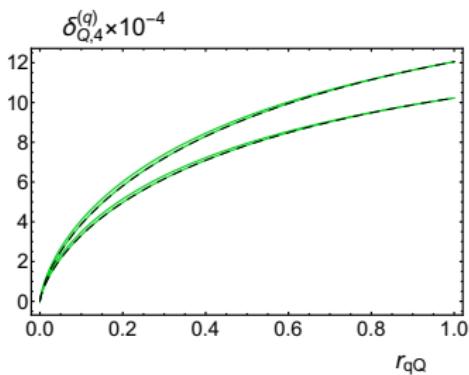
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| $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^n)$ | $\delta m_{b,c}^{(t \rightarrow b)}(\bar{m}_b, \bar{m}_c)$ | $\delta m_c^{(b \rightarrow c)}(\bar{m}_c)$ |
|---------------------------|--|---|
| 2 | 0.007 ± 0.004 | 0.004 ± 0.002 |
| 3 | 0.006 ± 0.001 | 0.004 ± 0.001 |

- ▶ Observation: **Mass matching** (HQS-breaking) renormalon free and extremely well **convergent**.
 - ▶ **3-loop** correction: Amounts to only 1 MeV, **cancellation** between individual terms already $\gtrsim 90\%$!
 - ▶ Cancellation at higher orders **expected** due to increased **IR-sensitivity** and **HQS**.

Applications: Higher Order Light Mass Corrections



- ▶ Virtual lighter mass correction known up to $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3)$.
- ▶ Virtual mass contributions from same flavor encoded in a_n .
 - ▶ Known explicitly up to $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^4)$ (Beyond: High order behavior).
- ▶ Cancellation property: Predict 4-loop virtual lighter mass correction by demanding full cancellation (precision better than 1 MeV):

$$\delta_{Q,4}^{(q)}(r_{qQ}) \approx r_{qQ} \left[\delta_{q,4}^{(q)}(1) - \left(6\beta_0^{(n_Q)} \delta_{q,3}^{(q)}(1) + 4\beta_1^{(n_Q)} \delta_2(1) \right) \ln(r_{qQ}) \right. \\ \left. + 12\delta_2(1) \left(\beta_0^{(n_Q)} \ln(r_{qQ}) \right)^2 \right], \quad (\mu = \bar{m}_Q)$$

Applications: Pole Mass Differences

- ▶ Renormalon depends only on number of massless quarks.
⇒ Difference of heavy quark pole masses short-distance quantity.
- ▶ Use RG-setup to determine pole mass differences.
- ▶ Example: Top and bottom:

$$m_t^{\text{pole}} - m_b^{\text{pole}} = [\overline{m}_t - \overline{m}_b] + \Delta m_t^{(6 \rightarrow 5)}(\overline{m}_t) + \Delta m^{(5)}(\overline{m}_t, \overline{m}_b) + \delta m_{b,c}^{(t \rightarrow b)}(\overline{m}_b, \overline{m}_c)$$

- ▶ Some numbers:

$$m_t^{\text{pole}} - m_b^{\text{pole}} = 168.169 \pm 0.016 \text{ GeV},$$

$$m_b^{\text{pole}} - m_c^{\text{pole}} = 3.331 \pm 0.017 \text{ GeV},$$

$$m_t^{\text{pole}} - m_c^{\text{pole}} = 171.500 \pm 0.024 \text{ GeV}.$$

Summary

- ▶ Relation between **pole** and **short-distance** mass renormalization schemes involve **light massive flavor dependence**.
 - ▶ Inclusion sometimes **crucial** due to modification of **IR structure**.
- ▶ Introduced **RG-framework** which allows to
 - ▶ **sum logs** of quark mass ratios,
 - ▶ **disentangle** contributions from different momentum **regions**,
 - ▶ study **structure** of light massive flavor corrections,
 - ▶ make **HQS** consequences explicit.
- ▶ **Applications:**
 - ▶ **Prediction** of $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^4)$ light massive flavor contribution,
 - ▶ precise determination of **pole mass differences**.
 - ▶ Not covered here: Determination of the **renormalon ambiguity** of heavy quark masses → **250 MeV** ($\approx \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^{(n_\ell=3)}$).

Thank you for your attention!

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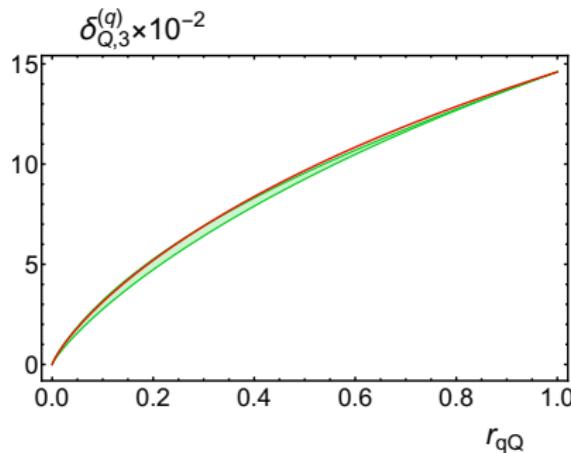
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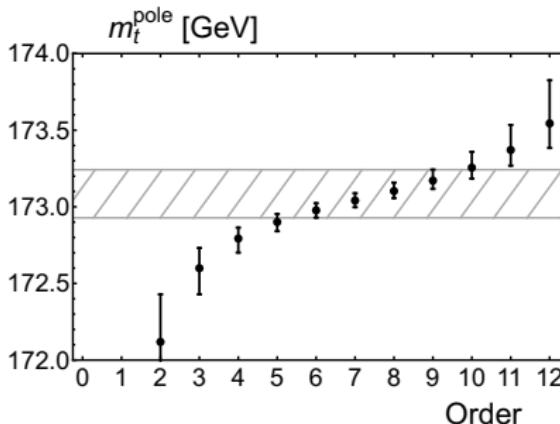
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Applications: Higher Order Light Mass Corrections



- ▶ Comparison of prediction and exact result at 3-loop.

Best Possible Estimate of the Top Quark Pole Mass



- ▶ Our method:
 - ▶ Take the **series** which contains the renormalon,
 - ▶ determine size of **smallest** term and numerically **close** ones,
 - ▶ **include uncertainty**/scale variation of these terms,
 - ▶ take whole **covered region** as the inevitable uncertainty.

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- ▶ We considered **different scenarios** with massless or massive charm and bottom.
- ▶ **Outcome of analysis:**
 - ▶ Ambiguity increases if number of **massless** quarks decreases. Expected, since $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^{(n_\ell)} < \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^{(n_\ell-1)}$.
 - ▶ **Largest** ambiguity reached for massive bottom and charm: ~ 250 MeV.
 - ▶ This value should be taken as the **intrinsic ambiguity** if the pole mass is considered as a **global** concept.
 - ▶ 250 MeV already relevant at **HL-LHC!!**

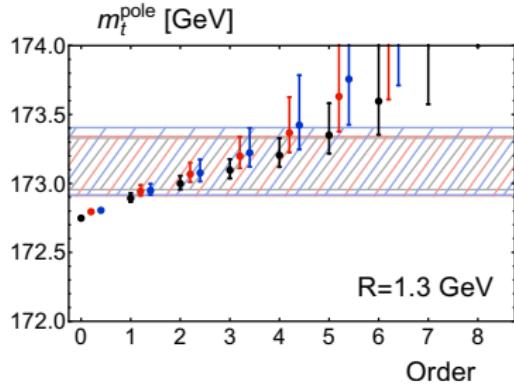
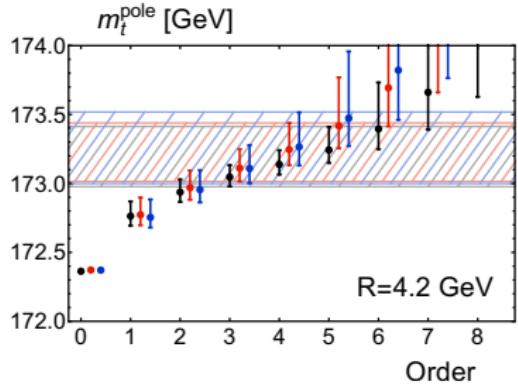
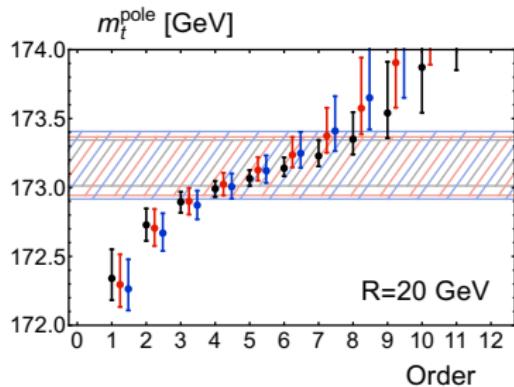
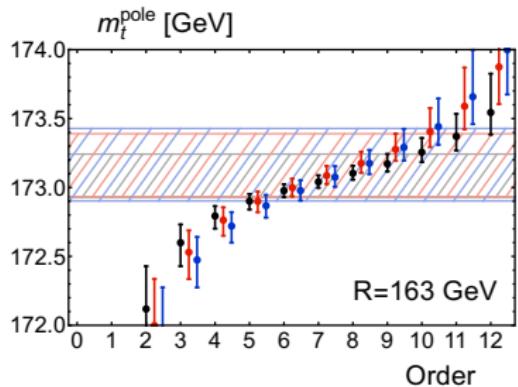
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| $\overline{m}_t = 163 \text{ GeV}, \quad \overline{m}_b = \overline{m}_c = 0 \text{ GeV}$ | |
|---|---------------------|
| R | m_t^{pole} |
| 163 | 173.086(157) |
| 20 | 173.178(166) |
| 4.2 | 173.195(218) |
| 1.3 | 173.142(187) |

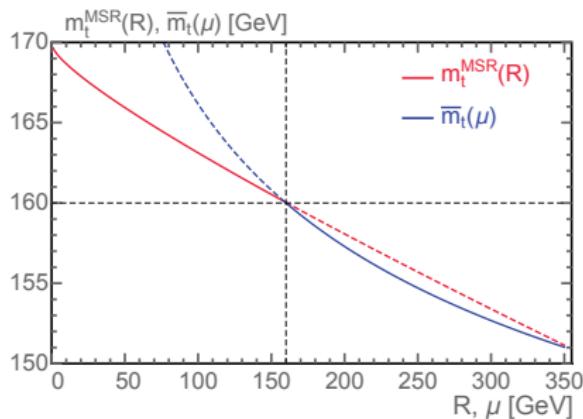
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| 4.2 | 173.227(212) |
| 1.3 | 173.126(215) |

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| 1.3 | 173.159(244) |

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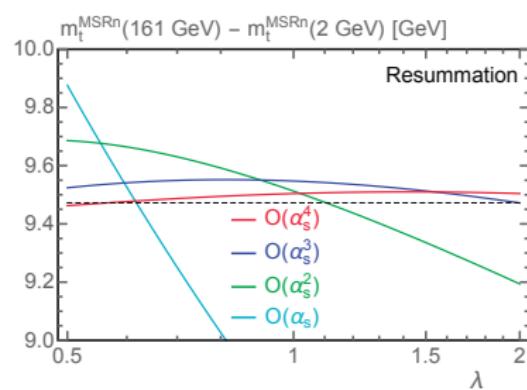
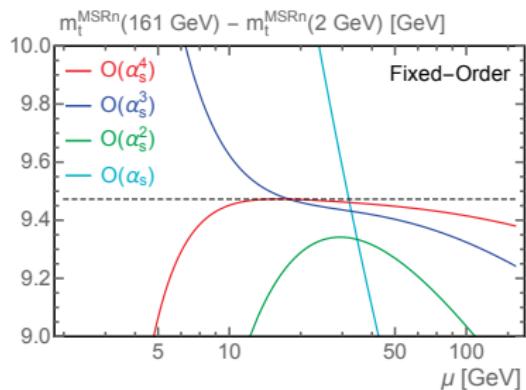


MSR Mass



- ▶ The MSR mass is the **natural generalization** of the $\overline{\text{MS}}$ mass for scales $R < m_Q$.

R-evolution

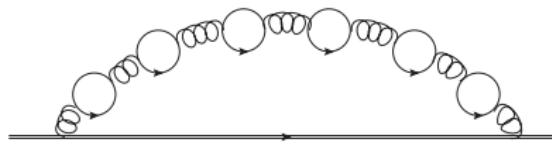


- ▶ R-evolution vs. FOPT for **widely separated scales**:
 - ▶ Significant μ dependence in FOPT - **large logs** spoil convergence!

Renormalons

- ▶ QFTs of phenomenological relevance:
 - ▶ Not possible to construct non-perturbatively from perturbative expansions and analyticity properties of Green's function.
 - ▶ Non-trivial, non-perturbative structure of vacuum and its excitations.
 - ▶ Non-perturbative power corrections.

Renormalons



- ▶ Explore contributions to $a_n^{\overline{\text{MS}}}$ from class of diagrams with **massless quark bubble** insertions to all orders.
- ▶ Leads to $(\mu = \overline{m}_Q, \alpha_s \equiv \alpha_s(\overline{m}_Q), \hat{q}^2 \equiv q^2/\overline{m}_Q^2)$

$$A(\alpha_s) \sim \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha_s^n n_\ell^n}{(6\pi)^n} \int_0^\infty d\hat{q}^2 \underbrace{F(\hat{q}^2)}_{\text{"Gluon momentum distribution"}} \log^n \left(\hat{q}^2 e^{-5/3} \right).$$

- ▶ Large logarithmic **enhancement** for $\hat{q}^2 \ll 1$!

Renormalons

- ▶ Evaluate integral for small momenta:

$$\begin{aligned} F(\hat{q}^2) &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{\hat{q}^2}} + \mathcal{O}\left(\sqrt{\hat{q}^2}\right) \\ \Rightarrow A(\alpha_s) &\sim \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_s^n \left(\frac{-2n_\ell}{6\pi}\right)^n n! + \dots \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Infrared **renormalon behavior!**
- ▶ How can we deal with the result?
- ▶ Can we **assign a number** to the series?

Renormalons

What is a renormalon?

- ▶ How to deal with divergent series?
 - ▶ Generalize summation process - has to give right answer for convergent series.
 - ▶ Particularly useful for summing divergent asymptotic series is Borel summation:

A series $s(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n$ is called Borel-summable if the Borel transform

$$B[s](t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{c_n t^n}{n!}$$

is convergent for $t > 0$ and if the integral

$$S(x) = \int_0^{\infty} dt e^{-t} B[s](tx)$$

exists. $S(x)$ is the value of the series.

Renormalons

- ▶ Assumption: Perturbative series is **asymptotic** in the sense

$$\left| \mathcal{O}(\alpha) - \sum_{i=0}^n c_i \alpha^i \right| < K_{n+1} \alpha^{n+1}.$$

- ▶ Can not be proven but is reasonable since phenomenology using perturbation theory works very well.
- ▶ **Ordinary summation:** Best approximation typically given when truncating at **smallest term** → **irreducible error**.
- ▶ Note: While a divergent perturbative series implies non-analyticity at $\alpha = 0$, **non-analyticity does not imply divergence**. A convergent series can still differ from \mathcal{O} by exponentially small terms $\exp(-1/\alpha)$.

Renormalons

$$A(\alpha_s) \sim \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_s^n \left(\frac{\beta_0}{2\pi} \right)^n n! + \dots$$

- ▶ Before applying tools to our example: Use a “dirty trick” - **naive non-Abelianization** $n_\ell \rightarrow -3/2(11 - 2/3n_\ell) = -3/2\beta_0$.
 - ▶ Can be justified diagrammatically - includes some non-Abelian corrections. Profound consequences!
- ▶ Apply **Borel summation** technique ($u \equiv t\beta_0/4\pi$)

$$B[A](u) \sim \frac{1}{1 - \frac{t\beta_0}{2\pi}} + \dots = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{1/2 - u} + \dots$$

- ▶ **Pole** of the Borel transform at $u = 1/2$.

Renormalons

$$B[A](u) \sim \frac{1}{1/2 - u} + \dots$$

- ▶ Meaning of the pole? Let's Borel sum the series:

$$A(\alpha_s) = \int_0^\infty du e^{-\frac{4\pi u}{\beta_0 \alpha_s}} B[A](u).$$

- ▶ Integral exists, but one has to choose path in complex plain to avoid singularity → Ambiguity of the Borel summation!

Renormalons

$$B[A](u) \sim \frac{1}{1/2 - u} + \dots$$

- ▶ **Size** of ambiguity

$$\Delta \left[\int_0^\infty du e^{-\frac{4\pi u}{\beta_0 \alpha_s(\bar{m}_Q)}} \frac{1}{u - k} \right] \sim \left(\frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}{\bar{m}_Q^2} \right)^k.$$

- ▶ Gives rise to non-perturbative **power corrections**.
- ▶ Pole- $\overline{\text{MS}}$ relation: $k = 1/2$, multiplied with $\bar{m}_Q \Rightarrow \mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}})$ **ambiguity!**
- ▶ More informations about renormalons: [\[Beneke, hep-ph/9807443\]](#)