

REDUCTION AT NLO AND BEYOND I

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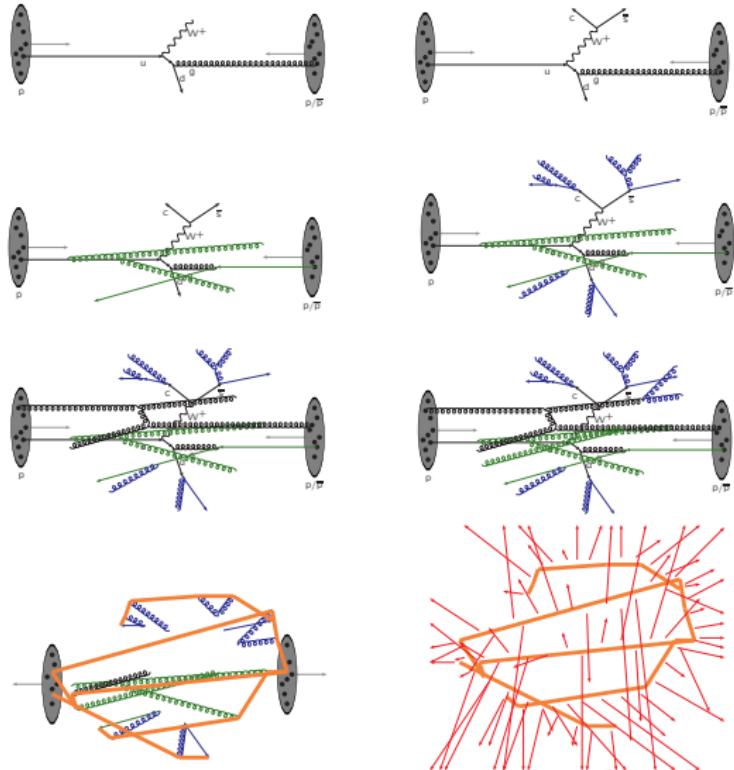
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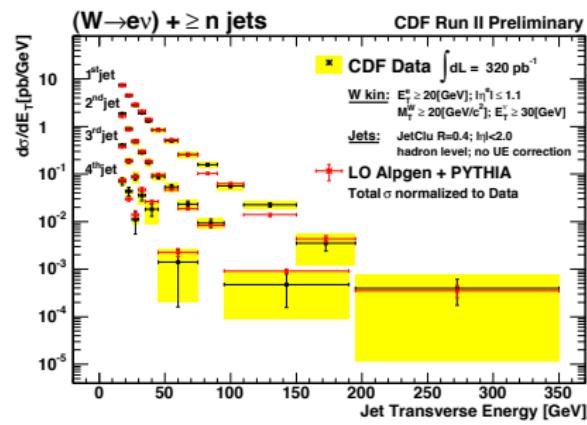
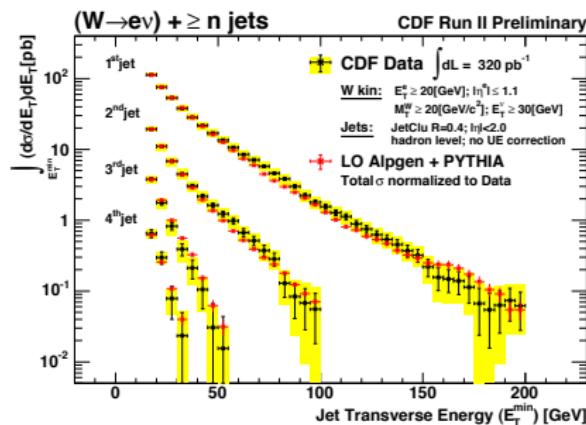
THE BIG PICTURE

The evolution of the scattering process



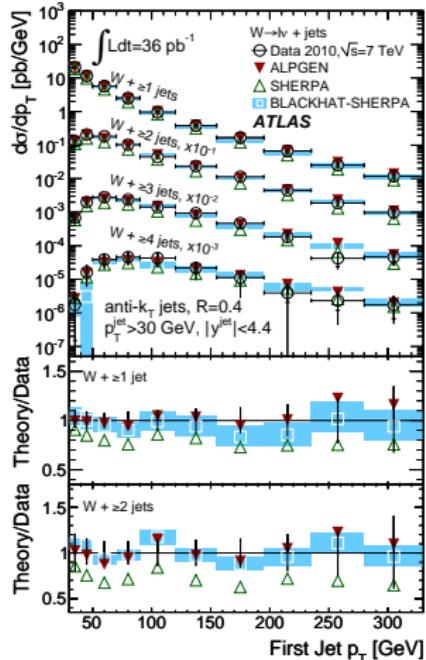
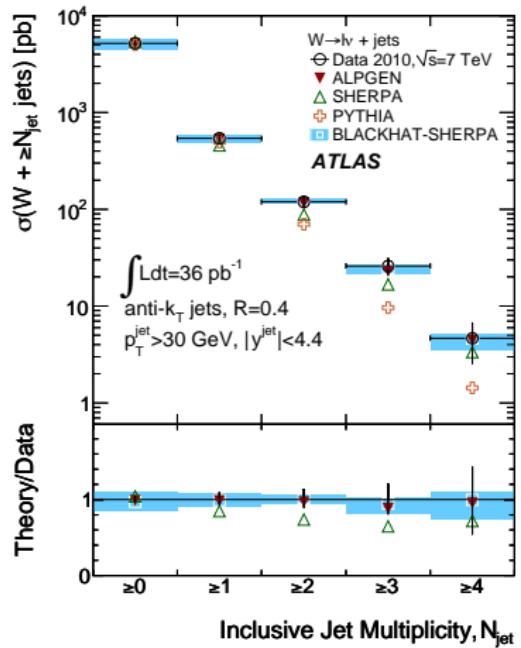
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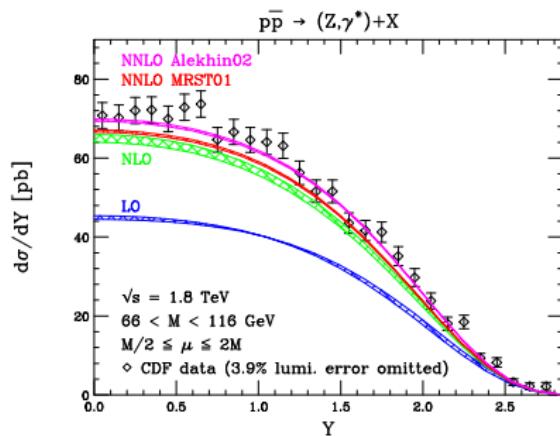
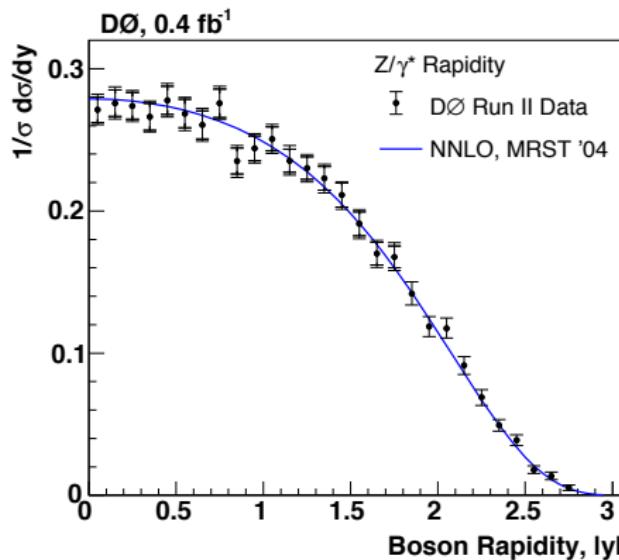
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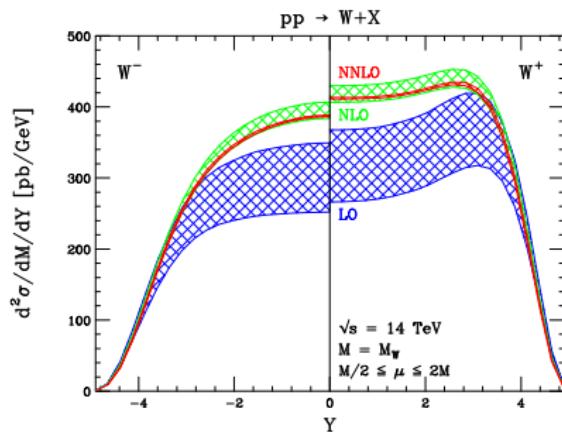
(N)NLO needed in order to properly interpret the data at the LHC



QCD BEYOND LO

(N)NLO corrections: impressive impact on theoretical uncertainties and differential shapes

C. Anastasiou, L. J. Dixon, K. Melnikov and F. Petriello



PERTURBATIVE QCD AT NLO

What do we need for an NLO calculation ?

$$p_1, p_2 \rightarrow p_3, \dots, p_{m+2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{NLO} &= \int_m d\Phi_m |M_m^{(0)}|^2 J_m(\Phi) \\ &+ \int_m d\Phi_m 2\text{Re}(M_m^{(0)*} M_m^{(1)}(\epsilon_{UV}, \epsilon_{IR})) J_m(\Phi) \\ &+ \int_{m+1} d\Phi_{m+1} |M_{m+1}^{(0)}|^2 J_{m+1}(\Phi)\end{aligned}$$

$J_m(\Phi)$ jet function: Infrared safeness $J_{m+1} \rightarrow J_m$

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IR and UV divergencies, Four-Dimensional-Helicity scheme; scale dependence μ_R

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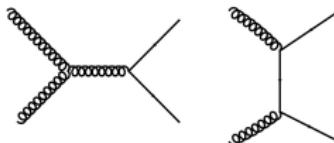
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QCD factorization— μ_F Collinear counter-terms when PDF are involved

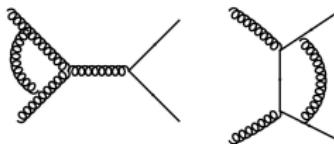
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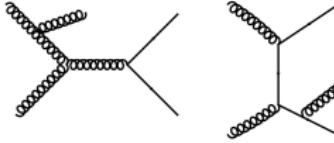
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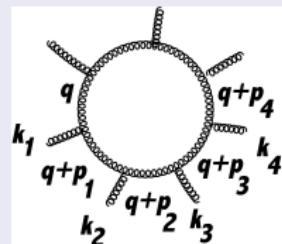
NLO TROUBLES

Problems arising in NLO calculations

- Large Number of Feynman diagrams
- Reduction to Scalar Integrals (or sets of known integrals)
- Numerical Instabilities (inverse Gram determinants, spurious phase-space singularities)
- Extraction of soft and collinear singularities (we need virtual and real corrections)

ONE-LOOP AMPLITUDES

Any m -point one-loop amplitude can be written as



$$\int d^D q A(\bar{q}) = \int d^D q \frac{\bar{N}(\bar{q})}{\bar{D}_0 \bar{D}_1 \cdots \bar{D}_{m-1}}$$

A bar denotes objects living in $n = 4 + \epsilon$ dimensions

$$\bar{D}_i = (\bar{q} + p_i)^2 - m_i^2$$

$$\bar{q}^2 = q^2 + \tilde{q}^2$$

$$\bar{D}_i = D_i + \tilde{q}^2$$

THE OLD “MASTER” FORMULA

$$\begin{aligned}\int A &= \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2 < i_3}^{m-1} d(i_0 i_1 i_2 i_3) D_0(i_0 i_1 i_2 i_3) \\ &+ \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2}^{m-1} c(i_0 i_1 i_2) C_0(i_0 i_1 i_2) \\ &+ \sum_{i_0 < i_1}^{m-1} b(i_0 i_1) B_0(i_0 i_1) \\ &+ \sum_{i_0}^{m-1} a(i_0) A_0(i_0) \\ &+ \text{rational terms}\end{aligned}$$

D_0, C_0, B_0, A_0 , scalar one-loop integrals: 't Hooft and Veltman
QCDLoop [Ellis & Zanderighi](#) ; OneLoop [A. van Hameren](#)

PASSARINO-VELTMAN

G. Passarino and M. J. G. Veltman, "One Loop Corrections For E+ E- Annihilation Into Mu+ Mu- In The Weinberg Model,"
Nucl. Phys. B **160** (1979) 151.

For a generic one-loop Feynman graph

$$A(\bar{q}) = \frac{N(q)}{\bar{D}_0 \bar{D}_1 \cdots \bar{D}_{m-1}}$$

Decompose the numerator

$$N(q) \rightarrow q^{\mu_1} \cdots q^{\mu_m} \rightarrow g^{\mu_1 \mu_2} p_i^{\mu_3} \cdots$$

Tensor integrals

$$T_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_P}^N(p_1, \dots, p_{N-1}, m_0, \dots, m_{N-1}) = \frac{(2\pi\mu)^{4-D}}{i\pi^2} \int d^D q \frac{q_{\mu_1} \cdots q_{\mu_P}}{D_0 D_1 \cdots D_{N-1}}$$

PASSARINO-VELTMAN

Contracting with external momenta and/or metric tensors on both sides

$$qp_k = \frac{1}{2}[D_k - D_0 - f_k], \quad f_k = p_k^2 - m_k^2 + m_0^2.$$

$$\begin{aligned} R_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_{P-1}}^{N,k} &= T_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_P}^N p_k^{\mu_P} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{(2\pi\mu)^{4-D}}{i\pi^2} \int d^D q \left[\frac{q_{\mu_1} \dots q_{\mu_{P-1}}}{D_0 \dots D_{k-1} D_{k+1} \dots D_{N-1}} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{q_{\mu_1} \dots q_{\mu_{P-1}}}{D_1 \dots D_{N-1}} - f_k \frac{q_{\mu_1} \dots q_{\mu_{P-1}}}{D_0 \dots D_{N-1}} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[T_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_{P-1}}^{N-1}(k) - T_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_{P-1}}^{N-1}(0) - f_k T_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_{P-1}}^N \right], \end{aligned}$$

$$g^{\mu\nu} q_\mu q_\nu = q^2 = D_0 + m_0^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} R_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_{P-2}}^{N,00} &= T_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_P}^N g^{\mu_{P-1}\mu_P} \\ &= \frac{(2\pi\mu)^{4-D}}{i\pi^2} \int d^D q \left[\frac{q_{\mu_1} \dots q_{\mu_{P-2}}}{D_1 \dots D_N} + m_0^2 \frac{q_{\mu_1} \dots q_{\mu_{P-2}}}{D_0 \dots D_N} \right] \\ &= \left[T_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_{P-2}}^{N-1}(0) + m_0^2 T_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_{P-2}}^N \right]. \end{aligned}$$

PASSARINO-VELTMAN

$$T_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_P}^N(p_1, \dots, p_{N-1}, m_0, \dots, m_{N-1}) = \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_P=0}^{N-1} T_{i_1 \dots i_P}^N p_{i_1 \mu_1} \cdots p_{i_P \mu_P}.$$

$$D_\mu = \sum_{i=1}^3 p_{i\mu} D_i,$$

$$D_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu} D_{00} + \sum_{i,j=1}^3 p_{i\mu} p_{j\nu} D_{ij},$$

$$D_{\mu\nu\rho} = \sum_{i=1}^3 (g_{\mu\nu} p_{i\rho} + g_{\nu\rho} p_{i\mu} + g_{\mu\rho} p_{i\nu}) D_{00i} + \sum_{i,j,k=1}^3 p_{i\mu} p_{j\nu} p_{k\rho} D_{ijk},$$

$$D_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} = (g_{\mu\nu} g_{\rho\sigma} + g_{\mu\rho} g_{\nu\sigma} + g_{\mu\sigma} g_{\nu\rho}) D_{0000}$$

$$+ \sum_{i,j=1}^3 (g_{\mu\nu} p_{i\rho} p_{j\sigma} + g_{\nu\rho} p_{i\mu} p_{j\sigma} + g_{\mu\rho} p_{i\nu} p_{j\sigma}$$

$$+ g_{\mu\sigma} p_{i\nu} p_{j\rho} + g_{\nu\sigma} p_{i\mu} p_{j\rho} + g_{\rho\sigma} p_{i\mu} p_{j\nu}) D_{00ij}$$

$$+ \sum_{i,j,k,l=1}^3 p_{i\mu} p_{j\nu} p_{k\rho} p_{l\sigma} D_{ijkl}.$$

Recursive equations for the tensor coefficient functions

The process $p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t} b\bar{b}$ in NLO QCD

Bredenstein, Denner, S.D., Pozzorini '08,'09; Bevilacqua, Czakon, Papadopoulos, Pittau, Worek '09

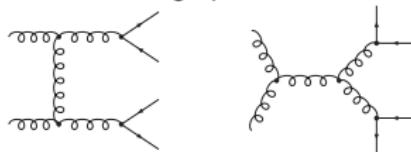
$$q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t} b\bar{b}$$

LO: 7 tree graphs

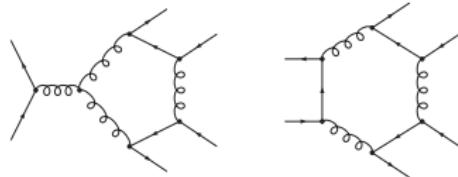


$$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t} b\bar{b}$$

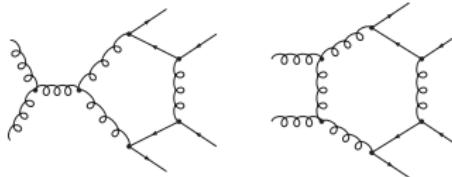
LO: 36 tree graphs



NLO: $\mathcal{O}(200)$ 1-loop diagrams
(24 pentagons, 8 hexagons)



NLO: $\mathcal{O}(\gtrsim 1000)$ 1-loop diagrams
(> 100 pentagons, 40 hexagons)



$2 \rightarrow 4$ processes define present "NLO multi-leg frontier".



Our Feynman-diagrammatic approach for virtual 1-loop corrections

$$\mathcal{M}_{\text{1-loop}} = \sum_{(\text{sub})\text{diagrams } \Gamma} \mathcal{M}_\Gamma \quad \text{generated with FEYNARTS (Küblbeck et al. '90; Hahn '01)}$$

$$\mathcal{M}_\Gamma = \sum_n \underbrace{C^{(\Gamma)}_{\text{colour factor}}}_{\uparrow} \underbrace{F_n^{(\Gamma)}}_{\text{spin structures like } [\bar{u}_t(k_t) \not{g}_1(k_{g_1}) v_t(k_{\bar{t}})] (\varepsilon_{g_2}(k_g) \cdot k_t) \dots} \hat{\mathcal{M}}_n$$

invariant functions containing
1-loop tensor integrals $T^{\mu\nu\rho\dots}$

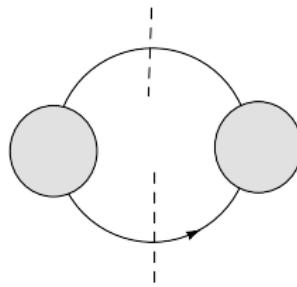
$$T^{\mu\nu\rho\dots} = (p_k^\mu p_l^\nu p_m^\rho \dots) T_{kl\dots} + (g^{\mu\nu} p_m^\rho \dots) T_{00m\dots} + \dots$$

- $T_{kl\dots}$ = linear combination of scalar 1-loop integrals A_0, B_0, C_0, D_0
- recursively calculable à la Passarino/Veltman '79 for regular points
 - specially designed methods for rescuing cases with small Gram dets. Denner, S.D. '05
 - 5-/6-point integrals reduced to 4-point integrals Denner, S.D. '02,'05

- Features:
- advantage: get all colour/spin channels in one stroke
 → speed: $\mathcal{M}_{\text{1-loop}}^{q\bar{q}/gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}b\bar{b}}$ in $\mathcal{O}(0.2\text{sec/event})$ very fast !
 - lengthy algebra → automation (MATHEMATICA)
 - two independent calculations, one using features of FORMCALC (Hahn)

UNITARITY

GLUING TREES TO MAKE LOOPS ?



Started in 90's, mainly QCD, amplitude level (analytical results)

Z. Bern, L. J. Dixon, D. C. Dunbar and D. A. Kosower, [arXiv:hep-ph/9403226].
Gluing tree amplitudes plus colinear limits → extract coefficients

UNITARITY

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$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{C} * \int A &= \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2 < i_3}^{m-1} d(i_0 i_1 i_2 i_3) \mathcal{C} * D_0(i_0 i_1 i_2 i_3) \\ &+ \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2}^{m-1} c(i_0 i_1 i_2) \mathcal{C} * C_0(i_0 i_1 i_2) \\ &+ \sum_{i_0 < i_1}^{m-1} b(i_0 i_1) \mathcal{C} * B_0(i_0 i_1)\end{aligned}$$

UNITARITY

Applying the unitarity method:

From the known behavior of scalar functions

	Integral	Unique Function
a	$I_4^{0m}(s, t)$	$\ln(-s) \ln(-t)$
b	$I_3^{1m}(s)$	$\ln(-s)^2$
c	$I_3^{1m}(t)$	$\ln(-t)^2$
d	$I_2(s)$	$\ln(-s)$
e	$I_2(t)$	$\ln(-t)$

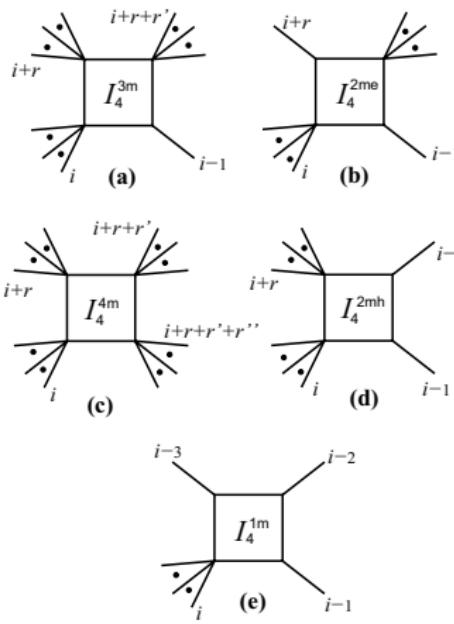
Table 1: The set of integral functions that may appear in a cut-constructible massless four-point amplitude, together with the independent logarithms.

To calculate/guess the rational coefficients + collinear limits

$$\begin{aligned} \int d\mu A^{\text{tree}}(\ell_1, i, \dots, j, \ell_2) A^{\text{tree}}(-\ell_2, j+1, \dots, i-1, -\ell_1) = \\ \sum \left(\hat{b} \Delta I^{1m} + \hat{c} \Delta I^{2m} e + \hat{d} \Delta I^{2m} h + \hat{g} \Delta I^{3m} + \hat{f} \Delta I^{4m} \right). \end{aligned}$$

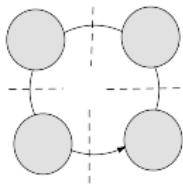
UNITARITY

Cut-construct-ability for arbitrary number of legs (to be compared with PV)



QUADRUPLE CUTS

R. Britto, F. Cachazo and B. Feng, [arXiv:hep-th/0412103].
Quadruple cut with complex momenta $\rightarrow d(i_0 i_1 i_2 i_3)$



THE AMAZING FORMULA

$$\hat{f} = \frac{1}{|\mathcal{S}|} \sum_{S,J} n_J (A_1^{\text{tree}} A_2^{\text{tree}} A_3^{\text{tree}} A_4^{\text{tree}}),$$

Familiarize yourself in using complex-valued momenta

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THE NEW “MASTER” FORMULA

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{N(q)}{\bar{D}_0 \bar{D}_1 \cdots \bar{D}_{m-1}} &= \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2 < i_3}^{m-1} \frac{d(i_0 i_1 i_2 i_3) + \tilde{d}(q; i_0 i_1 i_2 i_3)}{\bar{D}_{i0} \bar{D}_{i1} \bar{D}_{i2} \bar{D}_{i3}} \\ &+ \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2}^{m-1} \frac{c(i_0 i_1 i_2) + \tilde{c}(q; i_0 i_1 i_2)}{\bar{D}_{i0} \bar{D}_{i1} \bar{D}_{i2}} \\ &+ \sum_{i_0 < i_1}^{m-1} \frac{b(i_0 i_1) + \tilde{b}(q; i_0 i_1)}{\bar{D}_{i0} \bar{D}_{i1}} \\ &+ \sum_{i_0}^{m-1} \frac{a(i_0) + \tilde{a}(q; i_0)}{\bar{D}_{i0}} \\ &+ \text{rational terms}\end{aligned}$$

OPP “MASTER” FORMULA - I

General expression for the 4-dim $N(q)$ at the integrand level in terms of D_i

$$\begin{aligned} N(q) &= \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2 < i_3}^{m-1} \left[d(i_0 i_1 i_2 i_3) + \tilde{d}(q; i_0 i_1 i_2 i_3) \right] \prod_{i \neq i_0, i_1, i_2, i_3}^{m-1} D_i \\ &+ \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2}^{m-1} \left[c(i_0 i_1 i_2) + \tilde{c}(q; i_0 i_1 i_2) \right] \prod_{i \neq i_0, i_1, i_2}^{m-1} D_i \\ &+ \sum_{i_0 < i_1}^{m-1} \left[b(i_0 i_1) + \tilde{b}(q; i_0 i_1) \right] \prod_{i \neq i_0, i_1}^{m-1} D_i \\ &+ \sum_{i_0}^{m-1} \left[a(i_0) + \tilde{a}(q; i_0) \right] \prod_{i \neq i_0}^{m-1} D_i \end{aligned}$$

OPP “MASTER” FORMULA - II

$$\begin{aligned} N(q) &= \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2 < i_3}^{m-1} [d(i_0 i_1 i_2 i_3) + \tilde{d}(q; i_0 i_1 i_2 i_3)] \prod_{i \neq i_0, i_1, i_2, i_3}^{m-1} D_i + \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2}^{m-1} [c(i_0 i_1 i_2) + \tilde{c}(q; i_0 i_1 i_2)] \prod_{i \neq i_0, i_1, i_2}^{m-1} D_i \\ &+ \sum_{i_0 < i_1}^{m-1} [b(i_0 i_1) + \tilde{b}(q; i_0 i_1)] \prod_{i \neq i_0, i_1}^{m-1} D_i + \sum_{i_0}^{m-1} [a(i_0) + \tilde{a}(q; i_0)] \prod_{i \neq i_0}^{m-1} D_i \end{aligned}$$

- The quantities $d(i_0 i_1 i_2 i_3)$ are the coefficients of 4-point functions with denominators labeled by i_0 , i_1 , i_2 , and i_3 .
- $c(i_0 i_1 i_2)$, $b(i_0 i_1)$, $a(i_0)$ are the coefficients of all possible 3-point, 2-point and 1-point functions, respectively.

What is the explicit expression of the spurious term?

OPP “MASTER” FORMULA - II

$$N(q) = \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2 < i_3}^{m-1} [d(i_0 i_1 i_2 i_3) + \tilde{d}(q; i_0 i_1 i_2 i_3)] \prod_{i \neq i_0, i_1, i_2, i_3}^{m-1} D_i + \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2}^{m-1} [c(i_0 i_1 i_2) + \tilde{c}(q; i_0 i_1 i_2)] \prod_{i \neq i_0, i_1, i_2}^{m-1} D_i \\ + \sum_{i_0 < i_1}^{m-1} [b(i_0 i_1) + \tilde{b}(q; i_0 i_1)] \prod_{i \neq i_0, i_1}^{m-1} D_i + \sum_{i_0}^{m-1} [a(i_0) + \tilde{a}(q; i_0)] \prod_{i \neq i_0}^{m-1} D_i$$

The quantities \tilde{d} , \tilde{c} , \tilde{b} , \tilde{a} are the “spurious” terms

- They still depend on q (integration momentum)
- They should vanish upon integration

What is the explicit expression of the spurious term?

SPURIOUS TERMS - I

Following F. del Aguila and R. Pittau, arXiv:hep-ph/0404120

- Express any q in $N(q)$ as

$$q^\mu = -p_0^\mu + \sum_{i=1}^4 G_i \ell_i^\mu, \quad \ell_i^2 = 0$$

$$k_1 = \ell_1 + \alpha_1 \ell_2, \quad k_2 = \ell_2 + \alpha_2 \ell_1, \quad k_i = p_i - p_0$$

$$\ell_3^\mu = \langle \ell_1 | \gamma^\mu | \ell_2 \rangle, \quad \ell_4^\mu = \langle \ell_2 | \gamma^\mu | \ell_1 \rangle$$

- The coefficients G_i either reconstruct denominators D_i or vanish upon integration

→ They give rise to d, c, b, a coefficients
→ They form the spurious $\tilde{d}, \tilde{c}, \tilde{b}, \tilde{a}$ coefficients

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To be compared with standard formula (Denner)

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which can be solved for T_0^5 if the determinant of the matrix Y_{ij} , $i, j = 0, \dots, 4$ is nonzero. Note that in the integral $T_0^4(0)$ the momenta have not been shifted. In particular (4.52) yields the scalar five-point function T_0^5 in terms of five scalar four-point functions.

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We look for a q of the form $q^\mu = -p_0^\mu + x_i \ell_i^\mu$ such that

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Our “master formula” for $q = q_0^\pm$ is:

$$N(q_0^\pm) = [d + \tilde{d} T(q_0^\pm)]$$

→ solve to extract the coefficients d and \tilde{d}

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Then we can move to the extraction of **c coefficients** using

$$N'(q) = N(q) - d - \tilde{d} T(q)$$

and setting to zero three denominators (ex: $D_1 = 0$, $D_2 = 0$, $D_3 = 0$)

EXAMPLE

$$N(q) - \textcolor{blue}{d} - \tilde{d}(q) = [\textcolor{blue}{c}(0) + \tilde{c}(q; 0)] D_0$$

We have infinite values of q for which

$$D_1 = D_2 = D_3 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad D_0 \neq 0$$

→ Here we need 7 of them to determine $c(0)$ and $\tilde{c}(q; 0)$

RATIONAL TERMS - I

R_1 : the rational terms from the reduction itself

- Let's go back to the integrand

$$A(\bar{q}) = \frac{N(q)}{\bar{D}_0 \bar{D}_1 \cdots \bar{D}_{m-1}}$$

- Insert the expression for $N(q) \rightarrow$ we know all the coefficients

$$N(q) = \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2 < i_3}^{m-1} [d + \tilde{d}(q)] \prod_{i \neq i_0, i_1, i_2, i_3}^{m-1} D_i + \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2}^{m-1} [c + \tilde{c}(q)] \prod_{i \neq i_0, i_1, i_2}^{m-1} D_i + \cdots$$

- Finally rewrite all denominators using

$$\frac{D_i}{\bar{D}_i} = \bar{Z}_i, \quad \text{with} \quad \bar{Z}_i \equiv \left(1 - \frac{\tilde{q}^2}{\bar{D}_i}\right)$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
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The rational part is produced, after integrating over $d^n q$, by the \tilde{q}^2 dependence in \bar{Z}_i

$$\bar{Z}_i \equiv \left(1 - \frac{\tilde{q}^2}{\bar{D}_i}\right)$$

RATIONAL TERMS - I

The “Extra Integrals” are of the form

$$I_{s;\mu_1 \dots \mu_r}^{(n;2\ell)} \equiv \int d^n q \tilde{q}^{2\ell} \frac{q_{\mu_1} \cdots q_{\mu_r}}{\bar{D}(k_0) \cdots \bar{D}(k_s)},$$

where

$$\bar{D}(k_i) \equiv (\bar{q} + k_i)^2 - m_i^2, k_i = p_i - p_0$$

These integrals:

- have dimensionality $\mathcal{D} = 2(1 + \ell - s) + r$
- contribute only when $\mathcal{D} \geq 0$, otherwise are of $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$

RATIONAL TERMS - II

Expand in D-dimensions ?

$$\bar{D}_i = D_i + \tilde{q}^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} N(q) &= \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2 < i_3}^{m-1} \left[d(i_0 i_1 i_2 i_3; \tilde{q}^2) + \tilde{d}(q; i_0 i_1 i_2 i_3; \tilde{q}^2) \right] \prod_{i \neq i_0, i_1, i_2, i_3}^{m-1} \bar{D}_i \\ &+ \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2}^{m-1} \left[c(i_0 i_1 i_2; \tilde{q}^2) + \tilde{c}(q; i_0 i_1 i_2; \tilde{q}^2) \right] \prod_{i \neq i_0, i_1, i_2}^{m-1} \bar{D}_i \\ &+ \sum_{i_0 < i_1}^{m-1} \left[b(i_0 i_1; \tilde{q}^2) + \tilde{b}(q; i_0 i_1; \tilde{q}^2) \right] \prod_{i \neq i_0, i_1}^{m-1} \bar{D}_i \\ &+ \sum_{i_0}^{m-1} \left[a(i_0; \tilde{q}^2) + \tilde{a}(q; i_0; \tilde{q}^2) \right] \prod_{i \neq i_0}^{m-1} \bar{D}_i + \tilde{P}(q) \prod_{i=0}^{m-1} \bar{D}_i \end{aligned}$$

RATIONAL TERMS - II

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RATIONAL TERMS - II

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$$b(ij; \tilde{q}^2) = b(ij) + \tilde{q}^2 b^{(2)}(ij), \quad c(ijk; \tilde{q}^2) = c(ijk) + \tilde{q}^2 c^{(2)}(ijk).$$

$$\int d^n \bar{q} \frac{\tilde{q}^2}{\bar{D}_i \bar{D}_j} = -\frac{i\pi^2}{2} \left[m_i^2 + m_j^2 - \frac{(p_i - p_j)^2}{3} \right] + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon),$$

$$\int d^n \bar{q} \frac{\tilde{q}^2}{\bar{D}_i \bar{D}_j \bar{D}_k} = -\frac{i\pi^2}{2} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon), \quad \int d^n \bar{q} \frac{\tilde{q}^4}{\bar{D}_i \bar{D}_j \bar{D}_k \bar{D}_l} = -\frac{i\pi^2}{6} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon).$$

RATIONAL TERMS - II

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RATIONAL TERMS - II

Furthermore, by defining

$$\mathcal{D}^{(m)}(q, \tilde{q}^2) \equiv \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2 < i_3}^{m-1} \left[d(i_0 i_1 i_2 i_3; \tilde{q}^2) + \tilde{d}(q; i_0 i_1 i_2 i_3; \tilde{q}^2) \right] \prod_{i \neq i_0, i_1, i_2, i_3}^{m-1} \bar{D}_i,$$

the following expansion holds

$$\mathcal{D}^{(m)}(q, \tilde{q}^2) = \sum_{j=2}^m \tilde{q}^{(2j-4)} d^{(2j-4)}(q),$$

where the last coefficient is independent on q

$$d^{(2m-4)}(q) = d^{(2m-4)}.$$

RATIONAL TERMS - II

In practice, once the 4-dimensional coefficients have been determined, one can redo the fits for different values of \tilde{q}^2 , in order to determine $b^{(2)}(ij)$, $c^{(2)}(ijk)$ and $d^{(2m-4)}$.

$$\begin{aligned} R_1 &= -\frac{i}{96\pi^2} d^{(2m-4)} - \frac{i}{32\pi^2} \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2}^{m-1} c^{(2)}(i_0 i_1 i_2) \\ &\quad - \frac{i}{32\pi^2} \sum_{i_0 < i_1}^{m-1} b^{(2)}(i_0 i_1) \left(m_{i_0}^2 + m_{i_1}^2 - \frac{(p_{i_0} - p_{i_1})^2}{3} \right). \end{aligned}$$

G. Ossola, C. G. Papadopoulos and R. Pittau, arXiv:0802.1876 [hep-ph]

RATIONAL TERMS - R_2

A different source of Rational Terms, called R_2 , can also be generated from the ϵ -dimensional part of $N(q)$

$$\bar{N}(\bar{q}) = N(q) + \tilde{N}(\tilde{q}^2, \epsilon; q)$$

$$R_2 \equiv \frac{1}{(2\pi)^4} \int d^n \bar{q} \frac{\tilde{N}(\tilde{q}^2, \epsilon; q)}{\bar{D}_0 \bar{D}_1 \cdots \bar{D}_{m-1}} \equiv \frac{1}{(2\pi)^4} \int d^n \bar{q} \mathcal{R}_2$$

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{q} &= q + \tilde{q}, \\ \bar{\gamma}_{\mu} &= \gamma_{\mu} + \tilde{\gamma}_{\tilde{\mu}}, \\ \bar{g}^{\bar{\mu}\bar{\nu}} &= g^{\mu\nu} + \tilde{g}^{\tilde{\mu}\tilde{\nu}}.\end{aligned}$$

New vertices/particles or GKMZ-approach

HELAC R2 TERMS

Contribution from d -dimensional parts in numerators:

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram: Two horizontal wavy lines with arrows pointing right, labeled } \mu_1, a_1 \text{ and } \mu_2, a_2. \text{ A vertical wavy line with arrow pointing up is between them.} \\ \frac{p}{\mu_1, a_1} \bullet \frac{\mu_2, a_2}{\mu_2, a_2} = \frac{ig^2 N_{col}}{48\pi^2} \delta_{a_1 a_2} \left[\frac{p^2}{2} g_{\mu_1 \mu_2} + \lambda_{HV} \left(g_{\mu_1 \mu_2} p^2 - p_{\mu_1} p_{\mu_2} \right) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{N_f}{N_{col}} (p^2 - 6 m_q^2) g_{\mu_1 \mu_2} \right] \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram: Three wavy lines meeting at a central point. The top-left line is labeled } \mu_1, a_1 \text{ with arrow } p_1 \text{ pointing left. The top-right line is labeled } \mu_2, a_2 \text{ with arrow } p_2 \text{ pointing right. The bottom line is labeled } \mu_3, a_3 \text{ with arrow } p_3 \text{ pointing right.} \\ \frac{p_1}{\mu_1, a_1} \bullet \frac{p_2}{\mu_2, a_2} = -\frac{g^3 N_{col}}{48\pi^2} \left(\frac{7}{4} + \lambda_{HV} + 2 \frac{N_f}{N_{col}} \right) f^{a_1 a_2 a_3} V_{\mu_1 \mu_2 \mu_3}(p_1, p_2, p_3) \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram: Four wavy lines forming an X-shape meeting at a central point. The top-left line is labeled } \mu_1, a_1 \text{ with arrow } p_1 \text{ pointing left. The top-right line is labeled } \mu_2, a_2 \text{ with arrow } p_2 \text{ pointing right. The bottom-left line is labeled } \mu_4, a_4 \text{ with arrow } p_4 \text{ pointing right. The bottom-right line is labeled } \mu_3, a_3 \text{ with arrow } p_3 \text{ pointing right.} \\ \frac{\mu_1, a_1}{\mu_4, a_4} \bullet \frac{\mu_2, a_2}{\mu_3, a_3} = -\frac{ig^4 N_{col}}{96\pi^2} \sum_{P(234)} \left\{ \left[\frac{\delta_{a_1 a_2} \delta_{a_3 a_4} + \delta_{a_1 a_3} \delta_{a_4 a_2} + \delta_{a_1 a_4} \delta_{a_2 a_3}}{N_{col}} \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. + 4 Tr(t^{a_1} t^{a_3} t^{a_2} t^{a_4} + t^{a_1} t^{a_4} t^{a_2} t^{a_3}) (3 + \lambda_{HV}) \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. - Tr(\{t^{a_1} t^{a_2}\} \{t^{a_3} t^{a_4}\}) (5 + 2\lambda_{HV}) \right] g_{\mu_1 \mu_2} g_{\mu_3 \mu_4} \right. \end{array}$$

$$\left. + 12 \frac{N_f}{N_{col}} Tr(t^{a_1} t^{a_2} t^{a_3} t^{a_4}) \left(\frac{5}{3} g_{\mu_1 \mu_3} g_{\mu_2 \mu_4} - g_{\mu_1 \mu_2} g_{\mu_3 \mu_4} - g_{\mu_2 \mu_3} g_{\mu_1 \mu_4} \right) \right\}$$

HELAC R2 TERMS

$$\mu \xrightarrow{V} \text{---} \bullet \text{---} k \quad = -\frac{g^2}{16\pi^2} \frac{N_{col}^2 - 1}{2N_{col}} \delta_{kl} \gamma_\mu (v + a\gamma_5) (1 + \lambda_{HV})$$

$$S \xrightarrow{S} \text{---} \bullet \text{---} k \quad = -\frac{g^2}{8\pi^2} \frac{N_{col}^2 - 1}{2N_{col}} \delta_{kl} (c + d\gamma_5) (1 + \lambda_{HV})$$

$$\mu \xrightarrow{V} \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \begin{matrix} p_1 \\ \alpha_1, a_1 \end{matrix} \quad = a \frac{ig^2}{12\pi^2} \delta_{a_1 a_2} \epsilon_{\mu \alpha_1 \alpha_2 \beta} (p_1 - p_2)^\beta$$

$$S \xrightarrow{S} \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \begin{matrix} \alpha_1, a_1 \\ \alpha_2, a_2 \end{matrix} \quad = c \frac{g^2}{8\pi^2} \delta_{a_1 a_2} g_{\alpha_1 \alpha_2} m_q$$

$$\mu_1 \xrightarrow{V_1} \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \begin{matrix} \alpha_1, a_1 \\ \alpha_2, a_2 \end{matrix} \quad = -\frac{ig^2}{24\pi^2} \delta_{a_1 a_2} (v_1 v_2 + a_1 a_2) (g_{\mu_1 \mu_2} g_{\alpha_1 \alpha_2} + g_{\mu_1 \alpha_1} g_{\mu_2 \alpha_2} + g_{\mu_1 \alpha_2} g_{\mu_2 \alpha_1})$$

GKMZ APPROACH

Cuts in D -dimensions with particles in D_s dimensions

Giele, Kunszt, Melnikov, Zanderighi

$$\sum_{i=1}^{D_s-2} e_\mu^{(i)}(l) e_\nu^{(i)}(l) = -g_{\mu\nu}^{(D_s)} + \frac{l_\mu b_\nu + b_\mu l_\nu}{l \cdot b}, \quad \sum_{i=1}^{2(D_s-2)/2} u^{(i)}(l) \bar{u}^{(i)}(l) = I + m = \sum_{\mu=1}^D l_\mu \gamma^\mu + m.$$

$$\mathcal{N}^{(D_s)}(l) = \mathcal{N}_0(l) + (D_s - 4)\mathcal{N}_1(l).$$

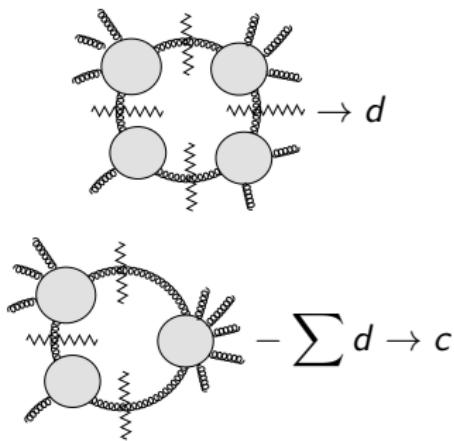
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{N}_0(l) &= \frac{(D_2 - 4)\mathcal{N}^{(D_1)}(l) - (D_1 - 4)\mathcal{N}^{(D_2)}(l)}{D_2 - D_1}, \\ \mathcal{N}_1(l) &= \frac{\mathcal{N}^{(D_1)}(l) - \mathcal{N}^{(D_2)}(l)}{D_2 - D_1}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\mathcal{N}^{(D_s)}(l)}{d_1 d_2 \cdots d_N} &= \sum_{[i_1|i_5]} \frac{\overline{e}_{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4 i_5}^{(D_s)}(l)}{d_{i_1} d_{i_2} d_{i_3} d_{i_4} d_{i_5}} + \sum_{[i_1|i_4]} \frac{\overline{d}_{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4}^{(D_s)}(l)}{d_{i_1} d_{i_2} d_{i_3} d_{i_4}} \\ &\quad + \sum_{[i_1|i_3]} \frac{\overline{c}_{i_1 i_2 i_3}^{(D_s)}(l)}{d_{i_1} d_{i_2} d_{i_3}} + \sum_{[i_1|i_2]} \frac{\overline{b}_{i_1 i_2}^{(D_s)}(l)}{d_{i_1} d_{i_2}} + \sum_{[i_1|i_1]} \frac{\overline{a}_{i_1}^{(D_s)}(l)}{d_{i_1}}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A_N^{[1]} &= \sum_{[i_1|i_4]} d_{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4}^{(0,0)} I_{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4}^{(4-2\epsilon)} + \sum_{[i_1|i_3]} c_{i_1 i_2 i_3}^{(0,0)} I_{i_1 i_2 i_3}^{(4-2\epsilon)} + \sum_{[i_1|i_2]} b_{i_1 i_2}^{(0,0)} I_{i_1 i_2}^{(4-2\epsilon)} \\ &\quad - \sum_{[i_1|i_4]} \frac{d_{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4}^{(4,0)}}{6} + \sum_{[i_1|i_3]} \frac{c_{i_1 i_2 i_3}^{(2,0)}}{2} - \sum_{[i_1|i_2]} \frac{(q_{i_1} - q_{i_2})^2}{6} b_{i_1 i_2}^{(2,0)} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon). \end{aligned}$$

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The unitarity approach, by Blackhat and Rocket collaborations, with primitive amplitudes

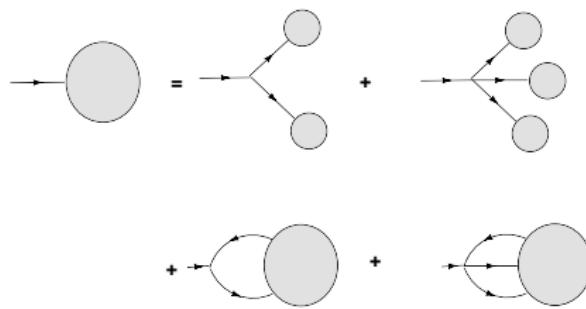


Certain repetition in blobs, but unique cut coefficient

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The HELAC-1LOOP approach

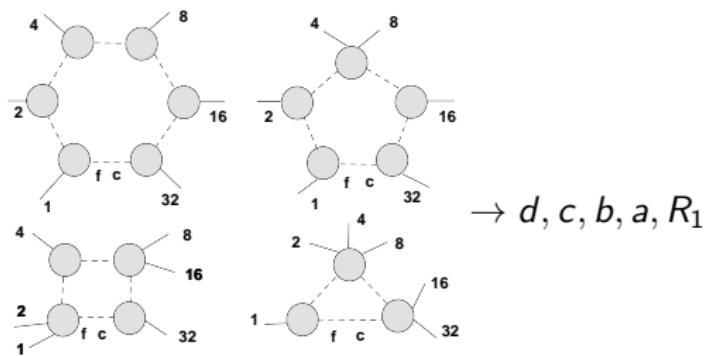
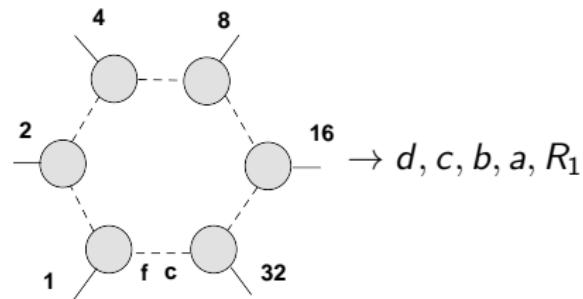
Dyson-Schwinger equations - reduced to Berends-Giele for ordered amplitudes



First line: tree-order generating

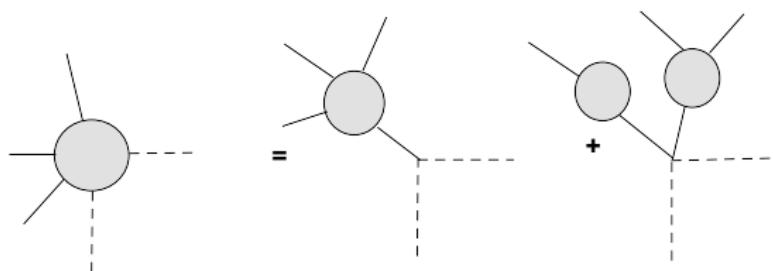
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Numerator functions computed by HELAC and reduced by CuTtools

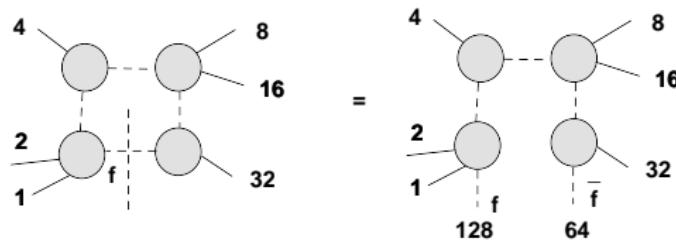


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All blobs are tree-order currents, independent of loop-momentum

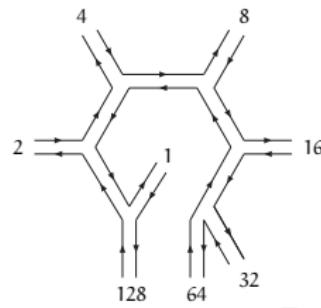
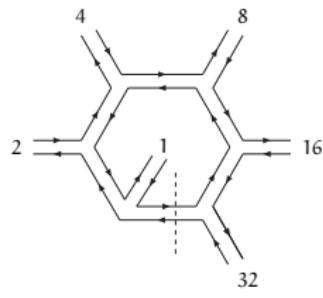
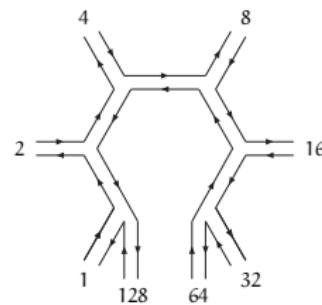
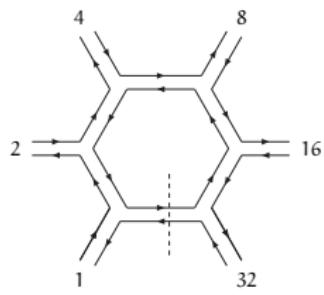


The $n \rightarrow n + 2$ construction



COLOR TREATMENT

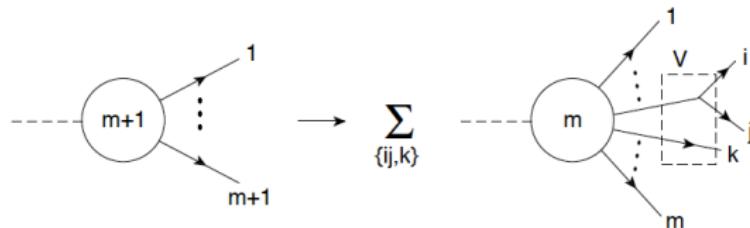
HELAC is using color-connection representation of amplitudes + color-flow Feynman rules ([Kanaki & Papadopoulos](#)) - valid also at one loop



REAL CORRECTIONS

Real corrections: $D \rightarrow 4$ dimensions ([Catani & Seymour](#))

$$\int_{m+1} d\sigma^R + \int_m d\sigma^V$$
$$\sigma^{NLO} = \int_{m+1} \left[(d\sigma^R)_{\epsilon=0} - (d\sigma^A)_{\epsilon=0} \right] + \int_m \left[d\sigma^V + \int_1 d\sigma^A \right]_{\epsilon=0}$$



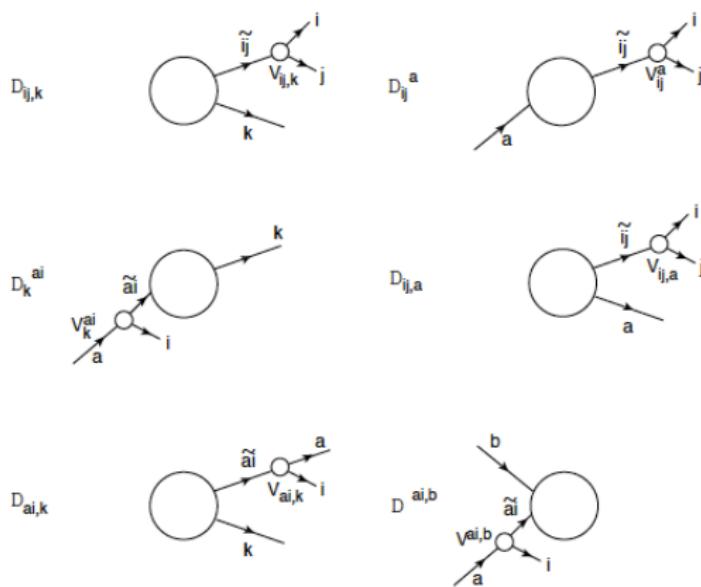
$$\tilde{p}_k^\mu = \frac{1}{1 - y_{ij,k}} p_k^\mu \quad , \quad \tilde{p}_{ij}^\mu = p_i^\mu + p_j^\mu - \frac{y_{ij,k}}{1 - y_{ij,k}} p_k^\mu$$

$$d\phi(p_i, p_j, p_k; Q) = \frac{d^d p_i}{(2\pi)^{d-1}} \delta_+(p_i^2) \frac{d^d p_j}{(2\pi)^{d-1}} \delta_+(p_j^2) \frac{d^d p_k}{(2\pi)^{d-1}} \delta_+(p_k^2) (2\pi)^d \delta^{(d)}(Q - p_i - p_j - p_k)$$

$$d\phi(p_i, p_j, p_k; Q) = d\phi(\tilde{p}_{ij}, \tilde{p}_k; Q) [dp_i(\tilde{p}_{ij}, \tilde{p}_k)]$$

REAL CORRECTIONS

Dipoles in real life



REAL CORRECTIONS

Dipoles in real life: the formulae

$$d\sigma^A = \mathcal{N}_{in} \sum_{\{m+1\}} d\phi_{m+1}(p_1, \dots, p_{m+1}; Q) \frac{1}{S_{\{m+1\}}} \\ \cdot \sum_{\substack{\text{pairs} \\ i,j}} \sum_{k \neq i,j} \mathcal{D}_{ij,k}(p_1, \dots, p_{m+1}) F_J^{(m)}(p_1, \dots, \tilde{p}_{ij}, \tilde{p}_k, \dots, p_{m+1}) \\ \mathcal{D}_{ij,k}(p_1, \dots, p_{m+1}) = -\frac{1}{2p_i \cdot p_j} \\ \cdot {}_m < 1, \dots, \tilde{i}j, \dots, \tilde{k}, \dots, m+1 | \frac{\mathbf{T}_k \cdot \mathbf{T}_{ij}}{\mathbf{T}_{ij}^2} \mathbf{V}_{ij,k} | 1, \dots, \tilde{i}j, \dots, \tilde{k}, \dots, m+1 >_m$$

$$d\sigma^R - d\sigma^A = \mathcal{N}_{in} \sum_{\{m+1\}} d\phi_{m+1}(p_1, \dots, p_{m+1}; Q) \frac{1}{S_{\{m+1\}}} \\ \cdot \left\{ |\mathcal{M}_{m+1}(p_1, \dots, p_{m+1})|^2 F_J^{(m+1)}(p_1, \dots, p_{m+1}) \right. \\ \left. - \sum_{\substack{\text{pairs} \\ i,j}} \sum_{k \neq i,j} \mathcal{D}_{ij,k}(p_1, \dots, p_{m+1}) F_J^{(m)}(p_1, \dots, \tilde{p}_{ij}, \tilde{p}_k, \dots, p_{m+1}) \right\}$$

$$\int_{m+1} d\sigma^A = - \int_m \mathcal{N}_{in} \sum_{\{m\}} d\phi_m(p_1, \dots, p_m; Q) \frac{1}{S_{\{m\}}} F_J^{(m)}(p_1, \dots, p_m) \\ \cdot \sum_i \sum_{k \neq i} |\mathcal{M}_m^{i,k}(p_1, \dots, p_m)|^2 \frac{\alpha_S}{2\pi} \frac{1}{\Gamma(1-\epsilon)} \left(\frac{4\pi\mu^2}{2p_i \cdot p_k} \right)^\epsilon \frac{1}{\mathbf{T}_i^2} \mathcal{V}_i(\epsilon) ,$$



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INFO	2	50	-3	12	1	1	1	48	35	8	2	-3	2	0	0	0	0	1	2
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INFO	3	56	4	14	0	1	1	48	35	8	8	4	4	0	0	0	0	2	1
INFO	1	60	35	15	1	4	4	-4	3	56	4	14	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
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INFO	1	60	35	15	4	4	52	-4	13	8	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
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INFO	2	62	-3	16	0	3	60	35	15	2	-3	2	0	0	0	0	2	1	
INFO =====																			
INFO	COLOR	2	out	of	6	1	1	4	-4	3	8	4	4	0	0	0	0	1	1
INFO	1	12	35	7	1	1	1	16	-8	5	32	8	6	0	0	0	0	1	1
INFO	1	48	35	8	1	1	1	16	-8	5	32	8	6	0	0	0	0	1	1

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INFO =====
INFO COLOR 4 out of 6
INFO number of nums 143
INFO NUM 1 of 143 10
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INFO 3 96 8 9 0 1 64 35 7 32 8 6 0 0 0 0 2 1 2
INFO 1 112 35 10 1 1 16 -8 5 96 8 9 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 1
INFO 3 120 4 11 1 1 112 35 10 8 4 4 0 0 0 0 1 1 1
INFO 3 120 4 11 0 1 112 35 10 8 4 4 0 0 0 0 2 1 1
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INFO NUM 127 of 143 15																			
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INFO	3	112	3	10	1	1	1	48	35	9	64	3	7	0	0	0	1	1	1
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INFO	1	12	35	11	1	1	4	-4	3	8	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	2	1
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INFO	2	242	-3	13	1	1	240	35	12	2	-3	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
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INFOVY	5																		
INFO NUM 128 of 143 11																			
INFO	1	12	35	7	1	1	4	-4	3	8	4	4	0	0	0	0	1	1	
INFO	1	48	35	8	1	1	16	-8	5	32	8	6	0	0	0	0	1	1	
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INFOVY	1																		
INFO NUM 129 of 143 12																			
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INFO	1	48	35	8	1	1	16	-8	5	32	8	6	0	0	0	0	1	1	

HELAC-1L

A. van Hameren, C. G. Papadopoulos and R. Pittau, JHEP 0909 (2009) 106 [arXiv:0903.4665 [hep-ph]].

Process		6 D_i	5 D_i	4 D_i	3 D_i	2 D_i	R_2	CT	Total
$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$	non-planar	18	120	268	220	112	51	6	795
	planar	13	32	35	40	48	25	2	195
$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}gg$	non-planar	168	576	480	224	56	50	14	1568
	planar	2	14	40	60	60	34	3	213

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$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}bb$			
$u\bar{u} \rightarrow t\bar{t}bb$			
	ϵ^{-2}	ϵ^{-1}	ϵ^0
HELAC-1L	-2.347908989000179E-07	-2.082520105681483E-07	3.909384299635230E-07
$I(\epsilon)$	-2.347908989000243E-07	-2.082520105665445E-07	
$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}bb$			
HELAC-1L	-1.435108168334016E-06	-2.085070773763073E-06	3.616343483497464E-06
$I(\epsilon)$	-1.435108168334035E-06	-2.085070773651439E-06	

	p_x	p_y	p_z	E
$u(g)$	0	0	250	250
$\bar{u}(g)$	0	0	-250	250
t	12.99421901255723	-9.591511769543683	75.05543670827210	190.1845561691092
\bar{t}	53.73271578143694	-0.2854146459513714	17.68101382654795	182.9642163285034
b	-41.57664370692741	3.895531135098977	-91.94931862397770	100.9874727883170
\bar{b}	-25.15029108706678	5.981395280396083	-0.7871319108423604	25.86375471407044

HELAC-1L

$pp \rightarrow VVb\bar{b}$ and $pp \rightarrow VV + 2 \text{ jets}$			
$u\bar{u} \rightarrow W^+W^-b\bar{b}$			
	ϵ^{-2}	ϵ^{-1}	ϵ^0
HELAC-1L	-2.493916939359002E-07	-4.885901774740355E-07	1.592538533368835E-07
$I(\epsilon)$	-2.493916939359001E-07	-4.885901774752593E-07	
$gg \rightarrow W^+W^-b\bar{b}$			
HELAC-1L	-2.686310592221201E-07	-6.078682316434646E-07	-2.431624440346638E-07
$I(\epsilon)$	-2.686310592221206E-07	-6.078682340168020E-07	

	p_x	p_y	p_z	E
$u(g)$	0	0	250	250
$\bar{u}(g)$	0	0	-250	250
W^+	22.40377113462118	-16.53704884550758	129.4056091248114	154.8819879118765
W^-	92.64238702192333	-0.4920930146078141	30.48443210132545	126.4095336206695
b	-71.68369328357026	6.716416578342183	-158.5329205583824	174.1159068988160
\bar{b}	-43.36246487297426	10.31272528177322	-1.357120667754454	44.59257156863792

HELAC-1L

$pp \rightarrow V + 3 \text{ jets}$			
$u\bar{d} \rightarrow W^+ ggg$			
	ϵ^{-2}	ϵ^{-1}	ϵ^0
HELAC-1L	-1.995636628164684E-05	-5.935610843551600E-05	-5.323285370666314E-05
$I(\epsilon)$	-1.995636628164686E-05	-5.935610843566534E-05	
$u\bar{u} \rightarrow Z ggg$			
HELAC-1L	-7.148261887172997E-06	-2.142170009323704E-05	-1.906378375774021E-05
$I(\epsilon)$	-7.148261887172976E-06	-2.142170009540120E-05	

	p_x	p_y	p_z	E
u	0	0	250	250
\bar{d}	0	0	-250	250
W^+	23.90724239064912	-17.64681636854432	138.0897548661186	162.5391101447744
g	98.85942812363483	-0.5251163702879512	32.53017998659339	104.0753327455388
g	-76.49423931754684	7.167141557113385	-169.1717405928078	185.8004692730082
g	-46.27243119673712	11.00479118171890	-1.448194259904179	47.58508783667868

HELAC-1L

$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} + 2 \text{ jets}$			
$u\bar{u} \rightarrow t\bar{t}gg$			
	ϵ^{-2}	ϵ^{-1}	ϵ^0
HELAC-1L	-6.127108113312741E-05	-1.874963444741646E-04	-3.305349683690902E-04
$I(\epsilon)$	-6.127108113312702E-05	-1.874963445081074E-04	
$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}gg$			
HELAC-1L	-3.838786514961561E-04	-9.761168899507888E-04	-5.225385984750410E-04
$I(\epsilon)$	-3.838786514961539E-04	-9.761168898436521E-04	

	p_x	p_y	p_z	E
$u(g)$	0	0	250	250
$\bar{u}(g)$	0	0	-250	250
t	12.99421901255723	-9.591511769543683	75.05543670827210	190.1845561691092
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g	-41.57664370692741	3.895531135098977	-91.94931862397770	100.9874727883170
g	-25.15029108706678	5.981395280396083	-0.7871319108423604	25.86375471407044

HELAC-1L

$pp \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$			
$u\bar{u} \rightarrow b\bar{b}bb$			
	ϵ^{-2}	ϵ^{-1}	ϵ^0
HELAC-1L	-9.205269484951069E-08	-2.404679886692200E-07	-2.553568662778129E-07
$I(\epsilon)$	-9.205269484951025E-08	-2.404679886707971E-07	
$gg \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$			
HELAC-1L	-2.318436429821683E-05	-6.958360737366907E-05	-7.564212339279291E-05
$I(\epsilon)$	-2.318436429821662E-05	-6.958360737341511E-05	

	p_x	p_y	p_z	E
$u(g)$	0	0	250	250
$\bar{u}(g)$	0	0	-250	250
b	24.97040523056789	-18.43157602837212	144.2306511496888	147.5321146846735
\bar{b}	103.2557390255471	-0.5484684659584054	33.97680766420219	108.7035966213640
b	-79.89596300367462	7.485866671764871	-176.6948628845280	194.0630765341365
\bar{b}	-48.33018125244035	11.49417782256567	-1.512595929362970	49.70121215982584

HELAC-DIPOLES

\mathcal{E}_0 - massless emitter, \mathcal{S}_0 - massless spectator, \mathcal{E}_M - massive emitter, \mathcal{S}_M - massive spectator, \mathcal{E}_I - initial state emitter, \mathcal{E}_F - final state emitter, \mathcal{S}_I - initial state spectator, \mathcal{S}_F - final state spectator, \checkmark - check, \blacksquare - does not occur.

	$\mathcal{E}_0/\mathcal{S}_0$	$\mathcal{E}_0/\mathcal{S}_M$	$\mathcal{E}_M/\mathcal{S}_0$	$\mathcal{E}_M/\mathcal{S}_M$		$\mathcal{E}_0/\mathcal{S}_0$	$\mathcal{E}_0/\mathcal{S}_M$	$\mathcal{E}_M/\mathcal{S}_0$	$\mathcal{E}_M/\mathcal{S}_M$
$\mathcal{E}_I/\mathcal{S}_I$					$\mathcal{E}_F/\mathcal{S}_I$				
$g \rightarrow gg$	\checkmark	\blacksquare	\blacksquare	\blacksquare	$g \rightarrow gg$	\checkmark	\blacksquare	\blacksquare	\blacksquare
$g \rightarrow qq$	\checkmark	\blacksquare	\blacksquare	\blacksquare	$g \rightarrow qq$	\checkmark	\blacksquare	\checkmark	\blacksquare
$q \rightarrow qg$	\checkmark	\blacksquare	\blacksquare	\blacksquare	$q \rightarrow qg$	\checkmark	\blacksquare	\checkmark	\blacksquare
$q \rightarrow gq$	\checkmark	\blacksquare	\blacksquare	\blacksquare	$q \rightarrow gq$	\checkmark	\blacksquare	\checkmark	\blacksquare
$\mathcal{E}_I/\mathcal{S}_F$					$\mathcal{E}_F/\mathcal{S}_F$				
$g \rightarrow gg$	\checkmark	\checkmark	\blacksquare	\blacksquare	$g \rightarrow gg$	\checkmark	\checkmark	\blacksquare	\blacksquare
$g \rightarrow qq$	\checkmark	\checkmark	\blacksquare	\blacksquare	$g \rightarrow qq$	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
$q \rightarrow qg$	\checkmark	\checkmark	\blacksquare	\blacksquare	$q \rightarrow qg$	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
$q \rightarrow gq$	\checkmark	\checkmark	\blacksquare	\blacksquare	$q \rightarrow gq$	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark

Table 1: Independent dipole splitting formulae, which need to be tested in order to ensure the correctness of the code. In the splitting description, e.g. $g \rightarrow gg$, the left hand side particle always denotes the virtual state.

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PROCESS	REAL EMISSION + DIPOLES [msec]	REAL EMISSION [msec]	NR OF DIPOLES
$gg \rightarrow ggg$	3.8	1.0	27
$gg \rightarrow gggg$	8.5	2.6	56
$gg \rightarrow ggggg$	300	42	100
$u\bar{d} \rightarrow W^+ gggg$	9.3	2.4	56
$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t} b\bar{b} g$	12	2.9	55

Table 2: The CPU time needed to evaluate the real emission matrix element together with all of the dipole subtraction terms per phase-space point (this corresponds to $\alpha_{max} = 1$). All numbers have been obtained on an Intel 2.53 GHz Core 2 Duo processor with the Intel Fortran compiler using the `-fast` option.

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Dipole Subtraction Configuration

only real emission: F
only last particle soft/collinear: F
only divergent dipoles: T
random polarization for non-partons: T
sign mode (0-both,1-positive,2-negative): 0
helicity sum (0-fast,1-slow,2-flat MC): 1
events with polarization sum= 100000
events for sampling optimization= 20000
event increment for sampling update= 10000
alphaMinCut= 1.00000000000000E-006
alphaMaxII= 1.00000000000000
alphaMaxIF= 1.00000000000000
alphaMaxFI= 1.00000000000000
alphaMaxFF= 1.00000000000000
kappa= 0.00000000000000E+000
jet veto included: F
pt of vetoing jet= 50.0000000000000
color sampling: F

Number of Dipoles: 55
Number of Processes: 7

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Generate $w = 1$ events (Les Houches format) using HELAC at tree order.
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<event>
  6 81 1.000000E+00 1.726000E+02 7.546772E-03 1.180000E-01
  21 -1 0 0 103 101 0.000000000000000E+00 0.000000000000000E+00 4.885658920243087E+02 4.885658920243087E+02 0.000000000000000E+00 0.0000000E+00 9.0000E+00
  21 -1 0 0 104 102 0.000000000000000E+00 0.000000000000000E+00 -4.885658920243087E+02 4.885658920243087E+02 0.000000000000000E+00 0.0000000E+00 9.0000E+00
  6 1 1 2 103 0 1.648551153938704E+02 -2.128833463956879E+01 1.563411288268662E+01 2.401366022681282E+02 1.726000000000000E+02 0.0000000E+00 9.0000E+00
  -6 1 1 2 0 102 -6.677109609683933E+01 6.109017946596872E+01 -3.256227583127494E+02 3.794882475549945E+02 1.726000000000000E+02 0.0000000E+00 9.0000E+00
  5 1 1 2 104 0 4.725480269309031E+00 2.281431584259000E+01 1.753945210216305E+02 1.769351891952198E+02 0.000000000000000E+00 0.0000000E+00 9.0000E+00
  -5 1 1 2 0 101 -1.02809499563402E+02 -6.261616066898994E+01 1.345941244084323E+02 1.805717450302747E+02 0.000000000000000E+00 0.0000000E+00 9.0000E+00
# 9.193930413382987E-08 4 3 4 14 13
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-1.175027485420859E+00
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-6.899515402964241E+00
# -6.580432295368123E+00 -2.321633716694498E-01 2.264652765353805E+01 1.423921666814779E+01 -2.316151832172334E+01 1.257559440674843E+01 4.439749203374159E+00
6.683084353093276E+00
# -5.059138841333641E-01 -1.133454593457765E+00 1.833599061114253E+01 -4.015116252979888E+00 1.833599061114253E+01 4.015116252979888E+00 5.059138841333641E-01
-1.133454593457765E+00
# 2.672004287479594E+00 1.755067698199695E+01 2.615285048432793E+00 -6.256029470621641E+00 -2.615285048432793E+00 -6.256029470621641E+00 2.672004287479594E+00
-1.755067698199695E+01
# pdf 3.605966723564206E-02 1.350916463377768E-01
</event>
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HOW HELAC-NLO WORKS-VIRTUAL

Do this sum by MC (sample a configuration $\{i\} = 1, 2, 3$ $\{j\} = 1, 2, 3$)

$$\sum_{\{i\}, \{j\}} |\mathcal{M}_{j_1, j_2, \dots, j_k}^{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k}|^2$$

Express in terms of color connections A_σ

$$\mathcal{M}_{j_1, j_2, \dots, j_k}^{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k} = \sum_{\sigma} \delta_{i_{\sigma_1}, j_1} \delta_{i_{\sigma_2}, j_2} \dots \delta_{i_{\sigma_k}, j_k} A_{\sigma}$$

Very significant reduction in CPU-time

Process	n_{conn}	$\langle n_{conn} \rangle_{MC}$	Ratio
$gg \rightarrow b\bar{b} W^+ W^-$	6	1.74	3.5
$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t} b\bar{b}$	24	3.04	7.9
$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t} gg$	120	6.27	19.1

HOW HELAC-NLO WORKS-VIRTUAL

Generate $w = 1$ events (Les Houches format) using HELAC at tree order.
Information included: LH + color assignment, helicity. Optimization!

Calculate using HELAC-1L virtual part for each $w = 1$ event. Produce a new LH file including virtual corrections. Includes UV renormlization

HOW HELAC-NLO WORKS-VIRTUAL

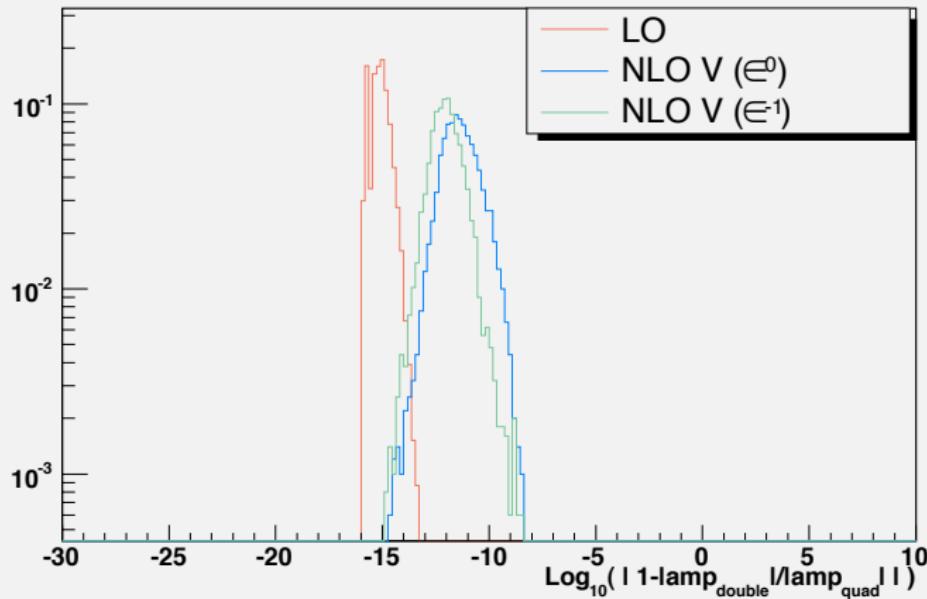
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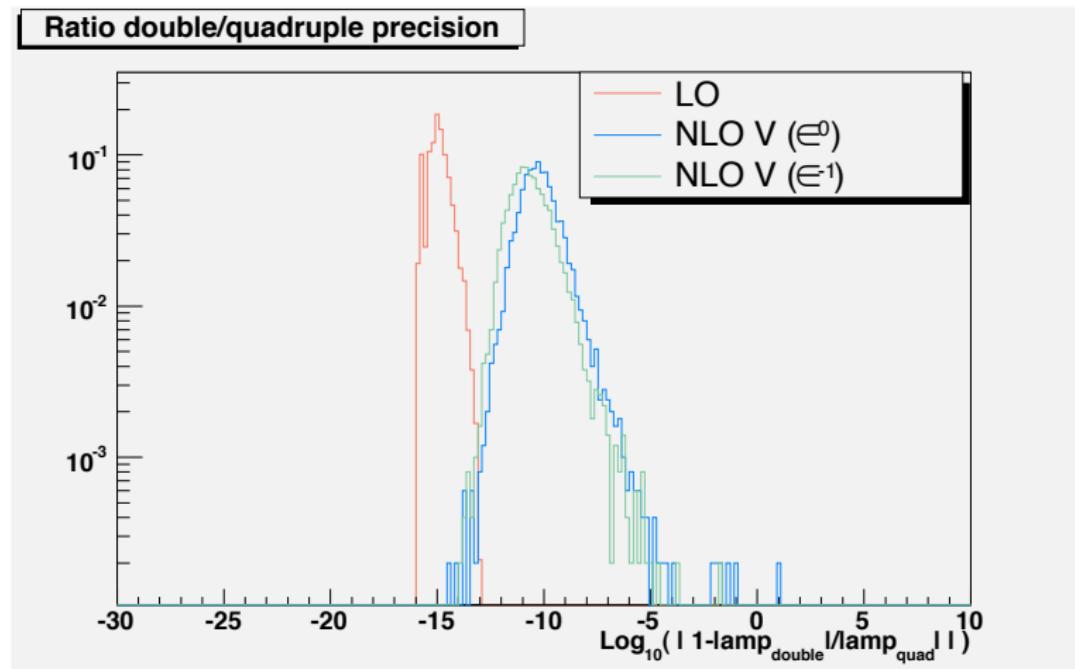
The final LH file can now be used to produce any kinematical distribution !

HOW HELAC-NLO WORKS - STABILITY

Ratio double/quadruple precision



HOW HELAC-NLO WORKS - STABILITY



HOW HELAC-NLO WORKS-REAL

HELAC-DIPOLES

Generate CS Dipoles and calculate $R - D$, jet-algorithm, histograms

HOW HELAC-NLO WORKS-REAL

HELAC-DIPOLES

Generate CS Dipoles and calculate $R - D$, jet-algorithm, histograms

Calculate I operator contributions, histograms

HOW HELAC-NLO WORKS-REAL

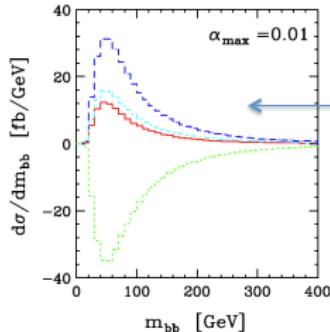
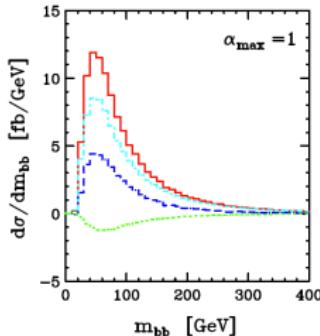
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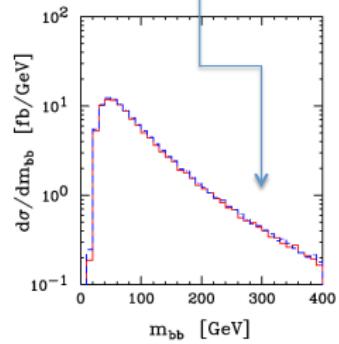
Calculate I operator contributions, histograms

Calculate KP operator contributions, histograms

Real Emission



Subtracted real emission
 $K+P$ operators
 I operators
 Full result
 Cutoff independence !!!



- Phase space restriction on the dipoles phase space $\alpha_{max} \in (0, 1]$
- Less dipole subtraction terms per event
- Increased numerical stability
- Reduced missed binning problem
- Large cancellations between subtracted real radiation and integrated dipoles

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T. Binoth, G. Ossola, C. G. Papadopoulos and R. Pittau, JHEP **0806** (2008) 082 [arXiv:0804.0350 [hep-ph]].

Process	scale μ	Born cross section [fb]	NLO cross section [fb]
ZZZ	$3M_Z$	9.7(1)	15.3(1)
WZZ	$2M_Z + M_W$	20.2(1)	40.4(2)
WWZ	$M_Z + 2M_W$	96.8(6)	181.7(8)
WWW	$3M_W$	82.5(5)	146.2(6)

Table 1: Cross section for the four processes, corresponding to the distributions in Fig 4. Different values of the factorization(renormalization) scale are used for the different processes.

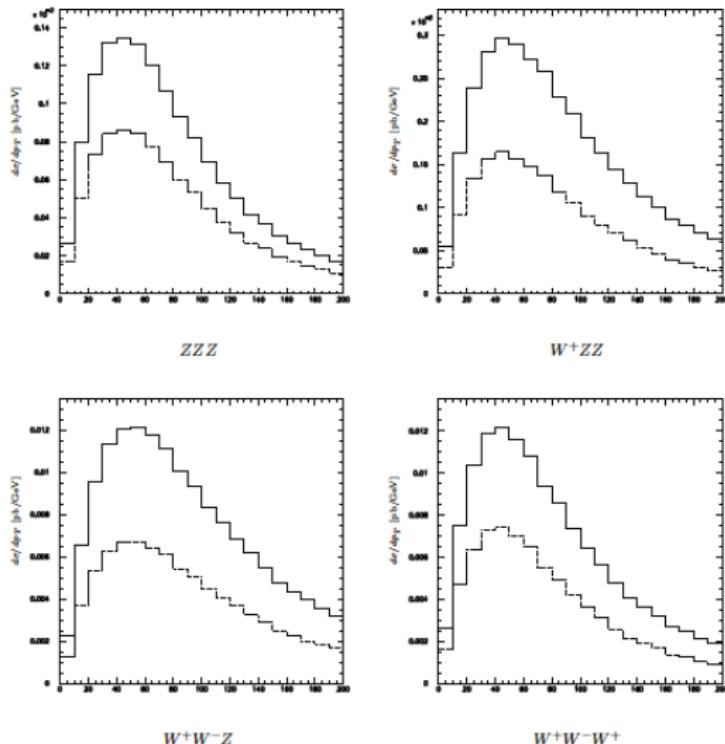
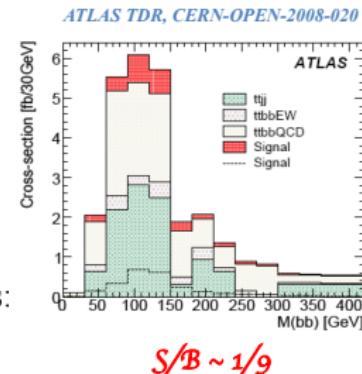


Figure 4: Transverse momentum distribution, as defined in the text, for the four processes $pp \rightarrow VVV$: NLO (solid line) compared with the LO contribution (dashed line).

Motivations for $t\bar{t}bb$ and $t\bar{t}jj$

- $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}H$ potential discovery channel
 - $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$
 - $m_H \leq 135$ GeV
- top & bottom Yukawa coupling
- Large QCD backgrounds: $t\bar{t}bb$ & $t\bar{t}jj$

- **Problem 1:** combinatorial background of b-jets:
 - bb pair can be chosen incorrectly, lack of distinctive kinematic feature of Higgs decay jets
- **Problem 2:** b-tagging efficiency:
 - two b-jets for Higgs candidate can arise from mistagged QCD light jets
- **Goal:** Backgrounds need to be controlled



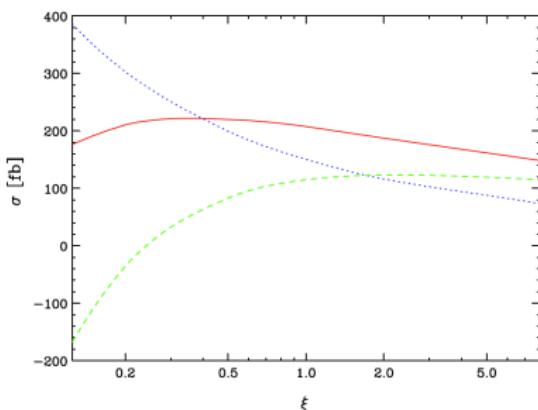
$S/B \sim 1/9$

Summary table	Significance loose/tight	Luminosity
ATLAS (Lepton+jets)	2.2	30 fb ⁻¹
CMS (Lepton+jets)	2.5/1.9	60 fb ⁻¹
CMS(Combined)	3.9/3.3	60 fb ⁻¹

G. Aad, J. Steggemann, ATLAS & CMS @ TOP 2008

$p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t}\mathcal{H} \rightarrow t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ @ LHC

- Scale dependence and integrated cross sections



Scale dependence reduced:

33% @ LO down to 10% @ NLO

28% @ NLO with jet veto of 50 GeV

$m_H = 130$ GeV

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{LO} &= (150.375 \pm 0.077) \text{ fb} \\ \sigma_{NLO} &= (207.268 \pm 0.150) \text{ fb} \\ \sigma_{NLO}^{veto} &= (114.880 \pm 0.152) \text{ fb}\end{aligned}$$

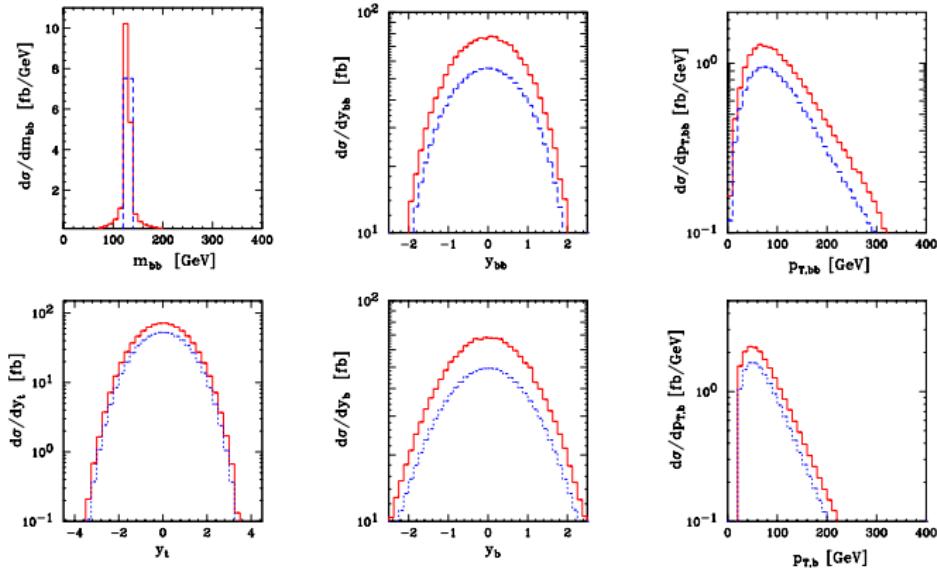
K factor of $K = 1.38$ ($K = 0.76$)
NLO QCD Corrections 38% (24%)

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$p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t}H \rightarrow t\bar{t}bb$ @ LHC

- Differential cross section, bb pair, single bottom & top kinematics, **LLO** & **NLO**



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$p p \rightarrow t \bar{t} b \bar{b}$ @ LHC

- Integrated cross sections and scale dependence, **Permille level agreement!**

Process	$\sigma_{[23, 24]}^{\text{LO}}$ [fb]	σ^{LO} [fb]	$\sigma_{[23, 24]}^{\text{NLO}}$ [fb]	$\sigma_{\alpha_{\max}=1}^{\text{NLO}}$ [fb]	$\sigma_{\alpha_{\max}=0.01}^{\text{NLO}}$ [fb]
$q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t} b\bar{b}$	85.522(26)	85.489(46)	87.698(56)	87.545(91)	87.581(134)
$p p \rightarrow t\bar{t} b\bar{b}$	1488.8(1.2)	1489.2(0.9)	2638(6)	2642(3)	2636(3)

$\xi \cdot m_t$	$1/8 \cdot m_t$	$1/2 \cdot m_t$	$1 \cdot m_t$	$2 \cdot m_t$	$8 \cdot m_t$
σ^{LO} [fb]	8885(36)	2526(10)	1489.2(0.9)	923.4(3.8)	388.8(1.4)
σ^{NLO} [fb]	4213(65)	3498(11)	2636(3)	1933.0(3.8)	1044.7(1.7)

$$\sigma_{\text{LO}} = (1489.2 \pm 0.9) \text{ fb}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{NLO}} = (2636 \pm 3) \text{ fb}$$

Scale dependence reduced:

70% @ LO down to **33% @ NLO**

K factor of **K = 1.77**

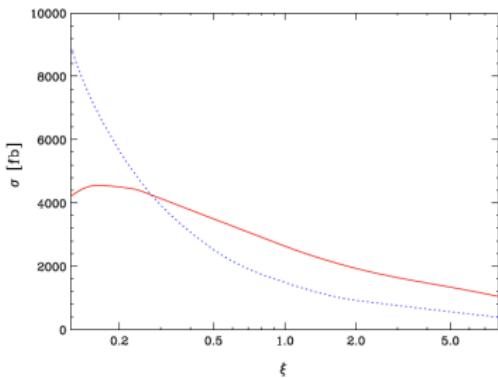
for quarks initial states only **K = 1.03**

With jet veto of 50 GeV **K = 1.20**

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Brüdenstein, Denner, Dittmaier, Pozzorini '08, '09

$p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ @ LHC

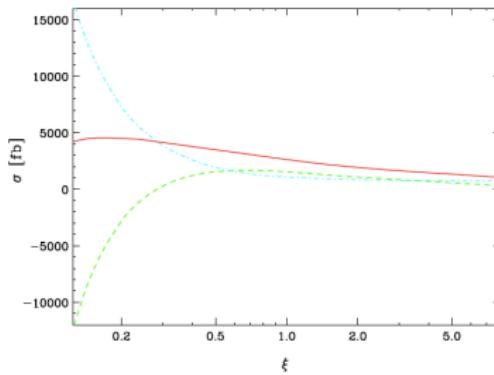
- Scale dependence graphically



Scale dependence at LO decomposed into contribution of **Virtual Corrections** & **Real Radiation**

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Varying scale up or down by a factor two changes cross section by
70% @ LO and by **33% @ NLO**



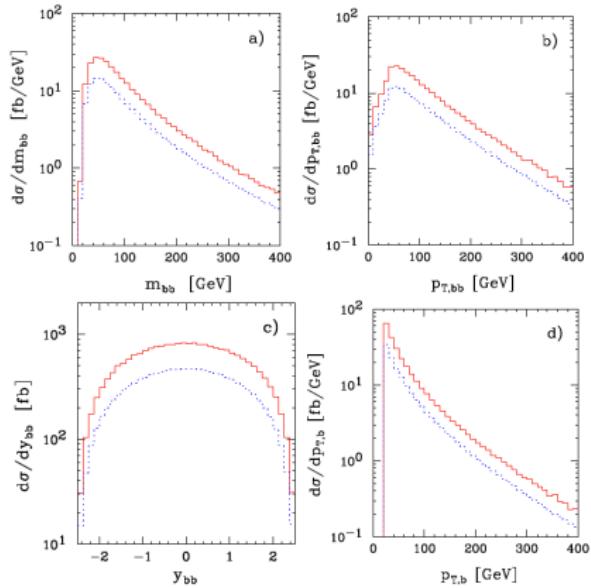
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$p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t} b\bar{b}$ @ LHC

- Differential cross sections
- b-jet pair kinematics
 - Invariant mass
 - Transverse momentum
 - Rapidity distribution
- single b-jet kinematics
 - Transverse momentum

LO & NLO

- Relatively small variation compared to the size but shape change important



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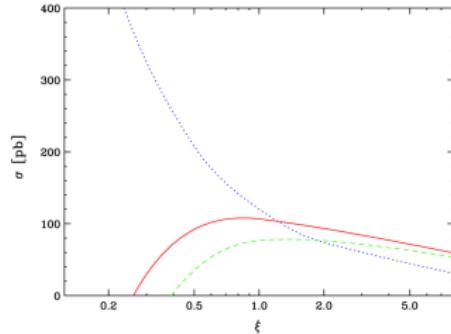
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$\mathcal{P}p \rightarrow t\bar{t}jj @ \mathcal{LHC}$

- Scale dependence & integrated cross sections

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Process	σ^{LO} [pb]	Contribution
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}jj$	120.17(8)	100%
$qg \rightarrow t\bar{t}qg$	56.59(5)	47.1%
$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}gg$	52.70(6)	43.8%
$qq' \rightarrow t\bar{t}qq'$, $q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}q'\bar{q}'$	7.475(8)	6.2%
$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}q\bar{q}$	1.981(3)	1.6%
$q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}gg$	1.429(1)	1.2%



$$\sigma_{\text{LO}} = (120.17 \pm 0.08) \text{ pb}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{NLO}} = (106.94 \pm 0.17) \text{ pb}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{veto}} = (76.58 \pm 0.17) \text{ pb}$$

Scale dependence reduced:

72% @ LO down to **13% @ NLO**

54% @ NLO with **jet veto of 50 GeV**

K factor of **K = 0.89** (**K = 0.64**)
Negative shift of **11%** (**36%**)



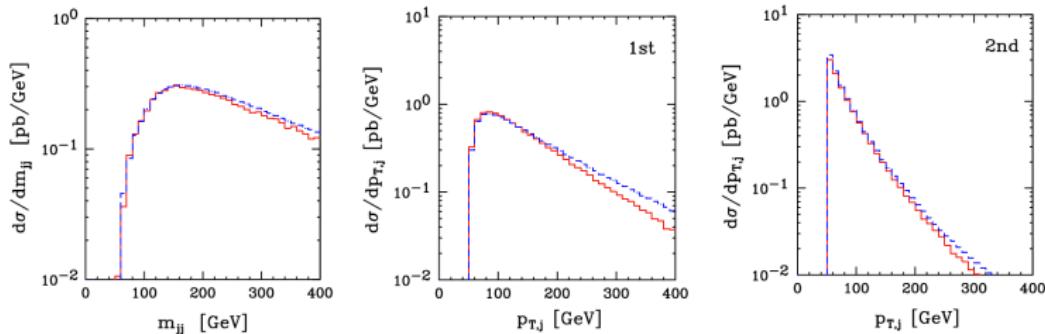
$p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t}jj @ \text{LHC}$

□ Differential cross section

$\text{LO} \& \text{NLO}$

➤ m_{jj} size of the corrections transmitted to distributions for low p_T , shapes change for hight p_T

➤ p_T of 1st hardest & 2nd hardest jet (ordered in p_T) altered shapes up to 39% & 28% in tails



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pp or $p\bar{p} \rightarrow \ell_1^+ \nu_{\ell_1} \ell_2^- \bar{\nu}_{\ell_2} b\bar{b}$

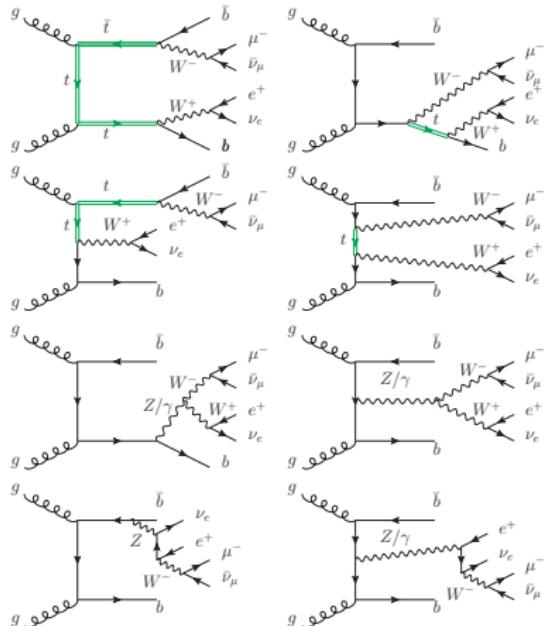


Figure 1: Representative Feynman diagrams contributing to the leading order process $gg \rightarrow e^+ \nu_e \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu b\bar{b}$ at $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2 \alpha^4)$, with different off-shell intermediate states: double-, single-, and non-resonant top quark contributions.

pp or $p\bar{p} \rightarrow \ell_1^+ \nu_{\ell_1} \ell_2^- \bar{\nu}_{\ell_2} b\bar{b}$

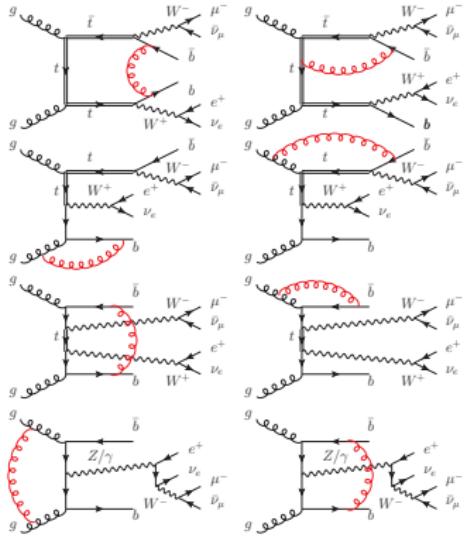


Figure 2: Representative Feynman diagrams contributing to the virtual corrections to the partonic subprocess $gg \rightarrow e^+ \nu_e \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu b\bar{b}$ at $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3 \alpha^4)$.

pp or $p\bar{p} \rightarrow \ell_1^+ \nu_{\ell_1} \ell_2^- \bar{\nu}_{\ell_2} b\bar{b}$

Real radiation sub-processes

$$gg \rightarrow e^+ \nu_e \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu b\bar{b}g$$

$$qg \rightarrow e^+ \nu_e \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu b\bar{b}q$$

$$gq \rightarrow e^+ \nu_e \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu b\bar{b}q$$

$$q\bar{q} \rightarrow e^+ \nu_e \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu b\bar{b}g$$

$$pp \text{ or } p\bar{p} \rightarrow \ell_1^+ \nu_{\ell_1} \ell_2^- \bar{\nu}_{\ell_2} b\bar{b}$$

Algorithm	σ_{LO} [fb]	$\sigma_{\text{NLO}}^{\alpha_{\max}=1}$ [fb]	$\sigma_{\text{NLO}}^{\alpha_{\max}=0.01}$ [fb]
$\text{anti-}k_T$	34.922 ± 0.014	35.705 ± 0.047	35.697 ± 0.049
k_T	34.922 ± 0.014	35.727 ± 0.047	35.723 ± 0.049
C/A	34.922 ± 0.014	35.724 ± 0.047	35.746 ± 0.050

Table 1: Integrated cross section at LO and NLO for $p\bar{p} \rightarrow e^+ \nu_e \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu b\bar{b} + X$ production at the TeVatron run II with $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$ TeV, for three different jet algorithms, the anti- k_T , k_T and the Cambridge/Aachen jet algorithm. The two NLO results refer to different values of the dipole phase space cutoff α_{\max} . The scale choice is $\mu_R = \mu_F = m_t$.

pp or $p\bar{p} \rightarrow \ell_1^+ \nu_{\ell_1} \ell_2^- \bar{\nu}_{\ell_2} b\bar{b}$

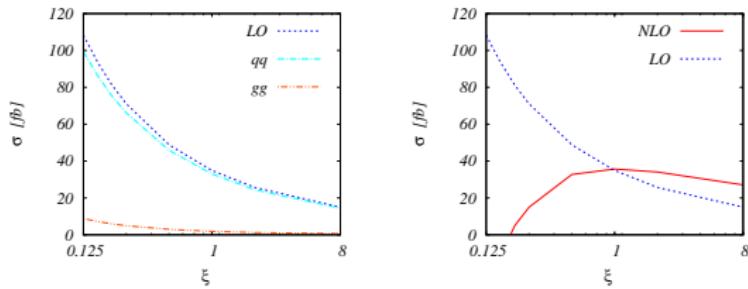


Figure 3: Scale dependence of the LO cross section with the individual contributions of the partonic channels (left panel) and scale dependence of the LO and NLO cross sections (right panel) for the $p\bar{p} \rightarrow e^+ \nu_e \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu b\bar{b} + X$ process at the Tevatron run II with $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$ TeV, where renormalization and factorization scales are set to the common value $\mu = \mu_R = \mu_F = \xi m_t$.

pp or $p\bar{p} \rightarrow \ell_1^+ \nu_{\ell_1} \ell_2^- \bar{\nu}_{\ell_2} b\bar{b}$

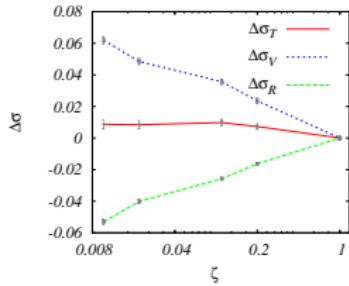


Figure 4: Dependence of the NLO cross section, σ_T , (red solid line) and the individual contributions, the real emission part, σ_R , (green dashed line) and the LO plus virtual part, σ_V , (blue dotted line), on the rescaling parameter ζ defined as $\Gamma_{\text{rescaled}} = \zeta \Gamma_t$ for the $p\bar{p} \rightarrow e^+ \nu_e \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu b\bar{b} + X$ process at the TeVatron run II with $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$ TeV. $\Delta\sigma$ is defined as follows: $\Delta\sigma_i(\zeta) = (\sigma_i(\zeta) - \sigma_i(\zeta = 1))/\sigma_T(\zeta = 1)$ with $i = V, R, T$.

pp or $p\bar{p} \rightarrow \ell_1^+ \nu_{\ell_1} \ell_2^- \bar{\nu}_{\ell_2} b\bar{b}$

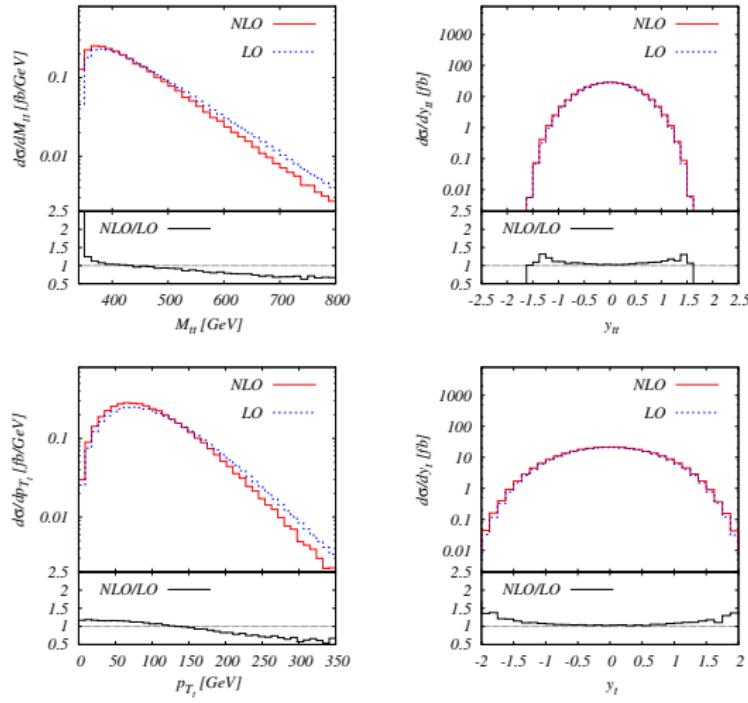


Figure 6: Differential cross section distributions as a function of the invariant mass $m_{t\bar{t}}$

pp or $p\bar{p} \rightarrow \ell_1^+ \nu_{\ell_1} \ell_2^- \bar{\nu}_{\ell_2} b\bar{b}$

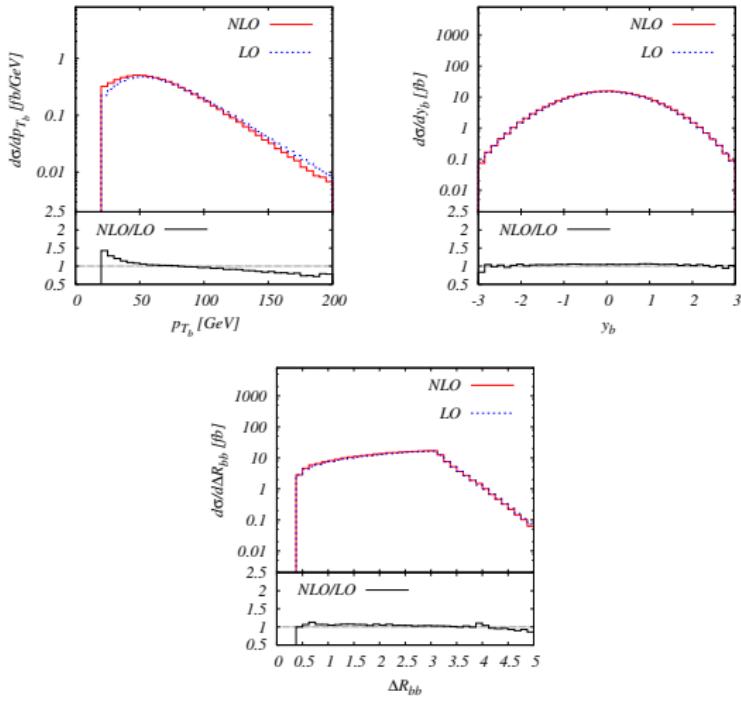


Figure 7: Differential cross section distributions as a function of the averaged transverse

$$pp \text{ or } p\bar{p} \rightarrow \ell_1^+ \nu_{\ell_1} \ell_2^- \bar{\nu}_{\ell_2} b\bar{b}$$

Asymmetries

$$A_{FB}^t = 0.051 \pm 0.0013$$

O. Antunano, J. H. Kuhn and G. Rodrigo, Phys. Rev. **D77** (2008) 014003, [[arXiv:0709.1652 \[hep-ph\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/0709.1652)].

$$A_{FB}^b = 0.033 \pm 0.0013 \quad A_{FB}^\ell = 0.033 \pm 0.0013$$

W. Bernreuther, A. Brandenburg, Z. G. Si and P. Uwer, Nucl. Phys. **B690**(2004) 81, [[hep-ph/0403035](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/0403035)].

WORKING WITH PS MATCHING: POWHEG

- Interface HELAC-NLO with POWHEG

P. Nason, JHEP 0411 (2004) 040, hep-ph/0409146; S. Frixione, P. Nason and C. Oleari, JHEP 0711 (2007) 070,

arXiv:0709.2092; S. Alioli, P. Nason, C. Oleari and E. Re, JHEP 1006 (2010) 043, arXiv:1002.2581

- POWHEG plays the role of the driver (phase-space) and HELAC-NLO of the provider for all needed ingredients, namely all matrix elements
- Complexity of the process $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} + \text{jet}$

$qg \rightarrow t\bar{t}q$	$gq \rightarrow t\bar{t}\bar{q}$	$\bar{q}g \rightarrow t\bar{t}\bar{q}$	$g\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}\bar{q}$
$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}g$	$q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}g$	$\bar{q}q \rightarrow t\bar{t}g$	

Table 1: Flavour structures of the Born processes, $q = u, d, c, s, b$.

$qg \rightarrow t\bar{t}qg$	$qq \rightarrow t\bar{t}qq$	$q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}q\bar{q}$
$gq \rightarrow t\bar{t}qg$	$\bar{q}\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}\bar{q}\bar{q}$	$\bar{q}q \rightarrow t\bar{t}q\bar{q}$
$\bar{q}g \rightarrow t\bar{t}\bar{q}g$	$q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}gg$	$q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}q'\bar{q}'$
$g\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}\bar{q}g$	$\bar{q}q \rightarrow t\bar{t}gg$	$\bar{q}q \rightarrow t\bar{t}q'\bar{q}'$
$qq' \rightarrow t\bar{t}qg'$	$q\bar{q}' \rightarrow t\bar{t}q\bar{q}'$	$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}gg$
$\bar{q}\bar{q}' \rightarrow t\bar{t}\bar{q}g'$	$\bar{q}q' \rightarrow t\bar{t}q\bar{q}'$	$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}q\bar{q}'$

Table 2: Flavour structures of the real-emission processes, $q, q' = u, d, c, s, b$.

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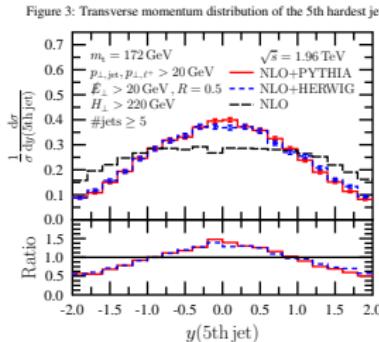
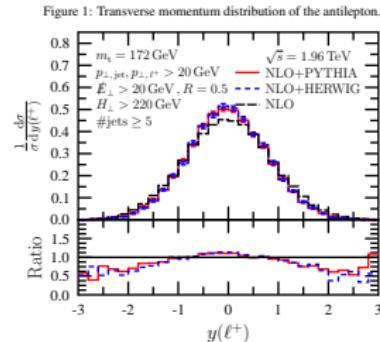
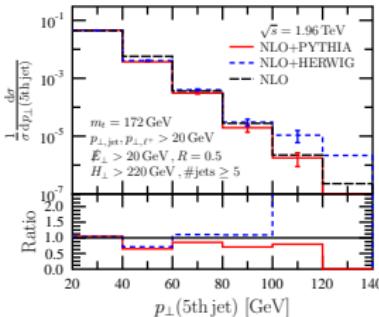
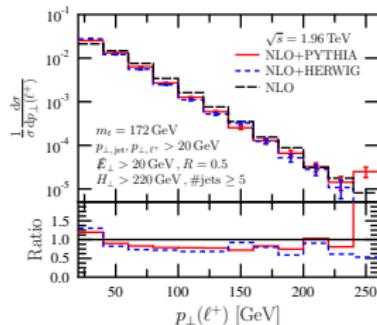
- Agreement with MADGRAPH : $\sigma^{\text{LO}} = 631.6 \pm 1.1$ $\sigma^{\text{LO}} = 630.5 \pm 0.8$
- Agreement with [Melnikov and Schulze\(2010\), Nucl. Phys. B840 \(2010\)129–159.](#)
- Technical cuts independence

$p_{\perp}^{\text{t.c.}} [\text{GeV}]$	$\sigma^{\text{LO}} [\text{pb}]$	$\sigma^{\text{NLO}} [\text{pb}]$
20	1.583	1.773 ± 0.003
5	1.583	1.780 ± 0.006
1	1.583	1.780 ± 0.010

Table 3: Dependence of the NLO cross section on the technical cut $p_{\perp}^{\text{t.c.}}$.

WORKING WITH PS MATCHING: POWHEG

- Results



WORKING WITH PS MATCHING: POWHEG

- More results

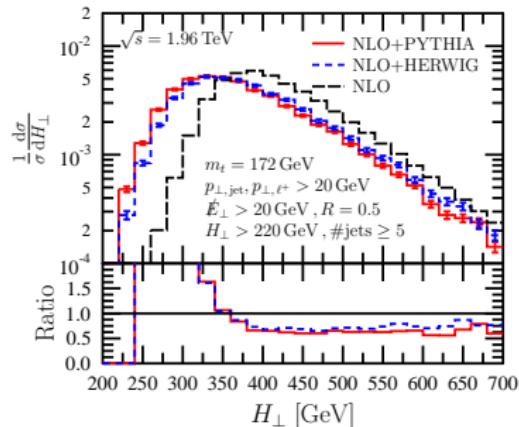


Figure 5: Distribution of the scalar sum of transverse momenta.

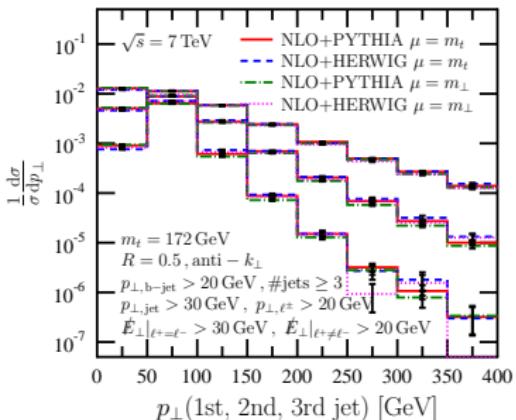


Figure 6: Transverse momentum distributions of the first, second and third hardest jet.

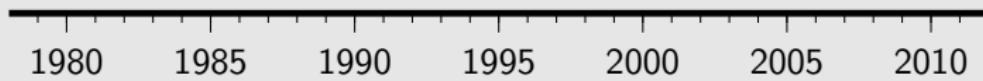
The Les Houches Wish List (2010)

process wanted at NLO	background to	2010
1. $pp \rightarrow VV + \text{jet}$	$t\bar{t}H$, new physics Dittmaier, Kallweit, Uwer; Campbell, Ellis, Zanderighi	Feynman diagram methods
2. $pp \rightarrow H + 2 \text{ jets}$	H in VBF Campbell, Ellis, Zanderighi; Ciccolini, Denner Dittmaier	now joined by
3. $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$	$t\bar{t}H$ Bredenstein, Denner Dittmaier, Pozzorini; Bevilacqua, Czakon, Papadopoulos, Pittau, Worek	
4. $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} + 2 \text{ jets}$	$t\bar{t}H$ Bevilacqua, Czakon, Papadopoulos, Worek	
5. $pp \rightarrow VVb\bar{b}$	VBF $\rightarrow H \rightarrow VV, t\bar{t}H$, new physics	
6. $pp \rightarrow VV + 2 \text{ jets}$	VBF $\rightarrow H \rightarrow VV$ VBF: Bozzi, Jäger, Oleari, Zeppenfeld	
7. $pp \rightarrow V + 3 \text{ jets}$	new physics Berger, Bern, Dixon, Febres Cordero, Forde, Gleisberg, Ita, Kosower, Maitre; Ellis, Melnikov, Zanderighi	unitarity based methods
8. $pp \rightarrow VVV$	SUSY trilepton Lazopoulos, Melnikov, Petriello; Hankele, Zeppenfeld; Bineth, Ossola, Papadopoulos, Pittau	
9. $pp \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$	Higgs, new physics GOLEM	

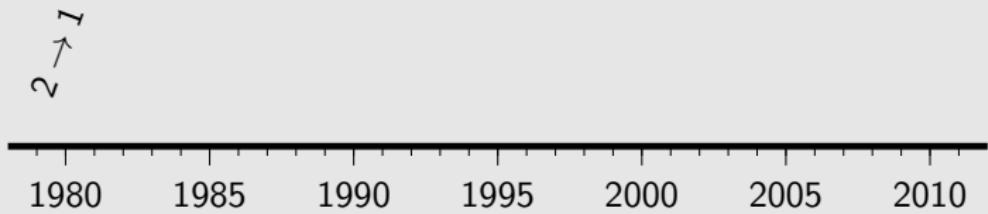
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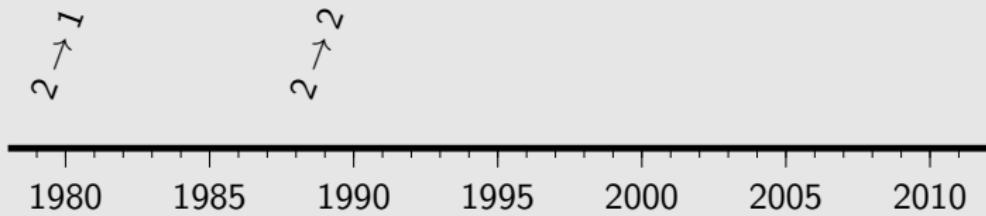


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1979: NLO Drell-Yan [Altarelli, Ellis & Martinelli]

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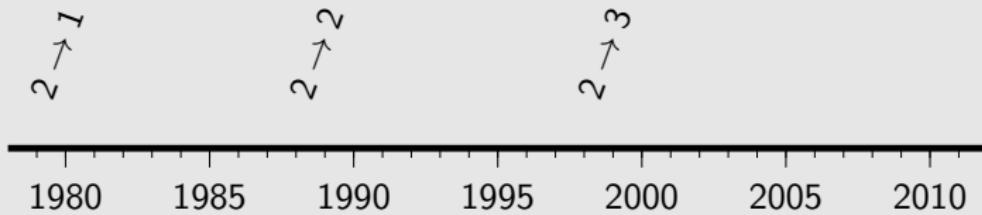


1987: NLO high- p_t photoproduction [Aurenche et al]

1988: NLO $b\bar{b}$, $t\bar{t}$ [Nason et al]

1993: dijets, Vj [JETRAD, Giele, Glover & Kosower]

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1998: NLO $Wb\bar{b}$ [MCFM: Ellis & Veseli]

2000: NLO $Zb\bar{b}$ [MCFM: Campbell & Ellis]

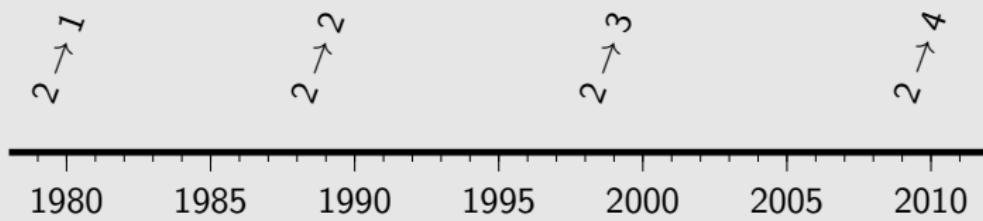
2001: NLO $3j$ [NLOJet++: Nagy]

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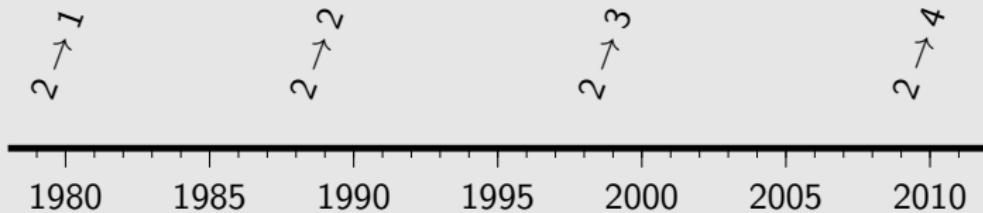
2007: NLO $t\bar{t}j$ [Dittmaier, Uwer & Weinzierl '07]

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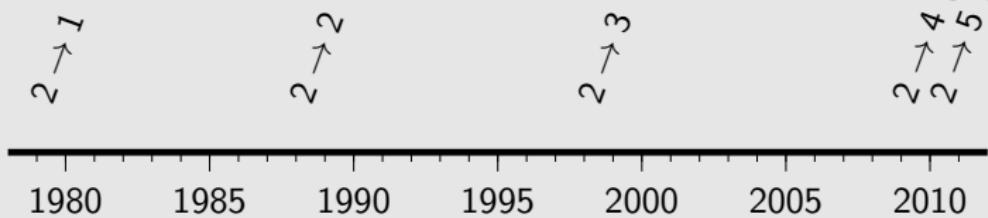


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| 2009: NLO $W+3j$ [Rocket: Ellis, Melnikov & Zanderighi] | [unitarity] |
| 2009: NLO $W+3j$ [BlackHat: Berger et al] | [unitarity] |
| 2009: NLO $t\bar{t}bb$ [Bredenstein et al] | [traditional] |
| 2009: NLO $t\bar{t}bb$ [HELAC-NLO: Bevilacqua et al] | [unitarity] |
| 2009: NLO $q\bar{q} \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$ [Golem: Bineth et al] | [traditional] |
| 2010: NLO $t\bar{t}jj$ [HELAC-NLO: Bevilacqua et al] | [unitarity] |
| 2010: NLO $Z+3j$ [BlackHat: Berger et al] | [unitarity] |

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2010: NLO $W+4j$ [BlackHat: Berger et al, preliminary]

[unitarity]

Automatizing NLO calculations

- PV and in-house codes, based on FORMCALC, FEYNARTS, LOOPTOOLS and GOLEM
- BLACKHAT+SHERPA collaboration: QCD+EWK bosons, massless color partons; CS-dipole
- Rockett QCD processes, basically gluons + in-house real radiation corrections - MCFM
- HELAC-NLO: CuTtools, HELAC-1LOOP, HELAC-DIPOLES, OneL0op, PHEGAS, KALEU: all NLO-QCD
- Newcomers: GoSam, OpenLoops, RECOLA, MadLoop, MadFKS, aMC@NLO, ...