NLO CORRECTIONS WITH THE OPP METHOD

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- As a result, a big effort has been devoted by several groups to the problem of an efficient computation of one-loop corrections for multi-particle processes!

[from G. Heinrich's Summary talk]

Wishlist Les Houches 20071.
$$pp \rightarrow V V + jet$$
2. $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ 3. $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} + 2 jets$ 4. $pp \rightarrow W W W$ 5. $pp \rightarrow V V b\bar{b}$ 6. $pp \rightarrow V V + 2 jets$ 7. $pp \rightarrow V + 3 jets$ 8. $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ 9. $pp \rightarrow 4 jets$

Processes for which a NLO calculation is both desired and feasible

Will we "finish" in time for LHC?

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What has been done? (2005-2007)

Some recent results \rightarrow Cross Sections available

- $pp \rightarrow Z Z Z pp \rightarrow t \overline{t} Z$ [Lazopoulos, Melnikov, Petriello]
- $pp \rightarrow H + 2$ jets [Campbell, et al., J. R. Andersen, et al.]
- $pp \rightarrow VV + 2$ jets via VBF [Bozzi, Jäger, Oleari, Zeppenfeld]
- $pp \rightarrow VV + 1$ jet [S. Dittmaier, S. Kallweit and P. Uwer]
- $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} + 1$ jet [S. Dittmaier, P. Uwer and S. Weinzierl]
- $pp \rightarrow V V V$ [BOPP and Campanario et al.]

Mostly 2 \rightarrow 3, very few 2 \rightarrow 4 complete calculations.

- $e^+ e^- \rightarrow$ 4 fermions [Denner, Dittmaier, Roth]
- $e^+ \ e^-
 ightarrow H H
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 u}$ [GRACE group (Boudjema et al.)]
- $q \ \bar{q} \rightarrow t \bar{t} b \bar{b}$ [Bredenstein et al.]

This is NOT a complete list

(A lot of work has been done at NLO \rightarrow calculations & new methods)

 R. K. Ellis, K. Melnikov and G. Zanderighi, "Generalized unitarity at work: first NLO QCD results for hadronic W⁺ 3jet production," arXiv:0901.4101 [hep-ph]

What has been done? 2009



Figure 1: Inclusive W^+ +3 jet cross-section at the LHC and the K-factor defined as $K = \sigma_{\rm NLO}/\sigma_{\rm LO}$ as a function of the renormalization and factorization scales. Jets are defined with k_T algorithm with R = 0.7 and $p_T > 50$ GeV. Jet rapidities satisfy $|\eta| < 3$. The LO and NLO cross-sections are computed with CTEO6L1 and CTEO6M parton distributions, respectively.

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• C. F. Berger *et al.*, "Precise Predictions for *W* + 3 Jet Production at Hadron Colliders," arXiv:0902.2760 [hep-ph]

What has been done? 2009



FIG. 3: The theoretical prediction for the H_T distribution in W + 3-jet production. The curves and bands are labeled as in fig. 2.

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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)

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 - general applicability major achievements
 - but major problem: not designed @ amplitude level

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 - Ellis, Giele, Glover, Zanderighi;
 - Binoth, Guillet, Heinrich, Schubert;
 - Denner, Dittmaier; Del Aguila, Pittau;
 - Ferroglia, Passera, Passarino, Uccirati;
 - Nagy, Soper; van Hameren, Vollinga, Weinzierl;

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 - \rightarrow determine scattering amplitudes by their poles and cuts
 - * major advantage: designed to work @ amplitude level
 - \star quadruple and triple cuts major simplifications
 - Bern, Dixon, Dunbar, Kosower, Berger, Forde;
 - Anastasiou, Britto, Cachazo, Feng, Kunszt, Mastrolia;

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- * OPP Integrand-level reduction combine: reduction@integrand + n-particle cuts

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G. Ossola., C. G. Papadopoulos and R. Pittau, Nucl. Phys. B 763, 147 (2007) - arXiv:hep-ph/0609007

and JHEP 0707 (2007) 085 - arXiv:0704.1271 [hep-ph]

R. K. Ellis, W. T. Giele and Z. Kunszt, JHEP 0803, 003 (2008)

Any *m*-point one-loop amplitude can be written, before integration, as

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

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

$$ar{D}_i = (ar{q}+p_i)^2 - m_i^2$$
 $ar{q}^2 = q^2 + ar{q}^2$
 $ar{D}_i = D_i + ar{q}^2$

External momenta p_i are 4-dimensional objects

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$$\int A = \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2 < i_3}^{m-1} d(i_0 i_1 i_2 i_3) D_0(i_0 i_1 i_2 i_3)$$

$$+ \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2}^{m-1} c(i_0 i_1 i_2) C_0(i_0 i_1 i_2)$$

$$+ \sum_{i_0 < i_1}^{m-1} b(i_0 i_1) B_0(i_0 i_1)$$

$$+ \sum_{i_0}^{m-1} a(i_0) A_0(i_0)$$

$$+ \text{ rational terms}$$

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$$\begin{split} T^{N}_{\mu_{1}...\mu_{P}}(p_{1},\ldots,p_{N-1},m_{0},\ldots,m_{N-1}) &= \frac{(2\pi\mu)^{4-D}}{i\pi^{2}} \int d^{D}q \frac{q_{\mu_{1}}\cdots q_{\mu_{P}}}{D_{0}D_{1}\cdots D_{N}} \\ T^{N}_{\mu_{1}...\mu_{P}}(p_{1},\ldots,p_{N-1},m_{0},\ldots,m_{N-1}) &= \sum_{i_{1},\ldots,i_{P}}^{N-1} T^{N}_{i_{1}...i_{P}}p_{i_{1}\mu_{1}}\cdots p_{i_{P}\mu_{P}} \\ D_{\mu} &= \sum_{i=1}^{3} p_{i\mu}D_{i}, \\ D_{\mu\nu} &= g_{\mu\nu}D_{00} + \sum_{i_{j}=1}^{3} p_{i\mu}p_{j\nu}D_{ij}, \\ D_{\mu\nu\rho} &= \sum_{i=1}^{3} (g_{\mu\nu}p_{i\rho} + g_{\nu\rho}p_{i\mu} + g_{\mu\rho}p_{i\nu})D_{00i} + \sum_{i,j,k=1}^{3} p_{i\mu}p_{j\nu}p_{k\rho}D_{ijk}, \\ D_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} &= (g_{\mu\nu}g_{\rho\sigma} + g_{\mu\rho}g_{\nu\sigma} + g_{\mu\sigma}g_{\nu\rho})D_{0000} \\ &+ \sum_{i,j=1}^{3} (g_{\mu\nu}p_{i\rho}p_{j\sigma} + g_{\nu\rho}p_{i\mu}p_{j\sigma} + g_{\mu\rho}p_{i\nu}p_{j\sigma} \\ &+ g_{\mu\sigma}p_{i\nu}p_{j\rho} + g_{\nu\sigma}p_{i\mu}p_{j\rho} + g_{\rho\sigma}p_{i\mu}p_{j\nu})D_{00ij} \\ &+ \sum_{i,j=1}^{3} p_{i\mu}p_{j\nu}p_{k\rho}p_{l\sigma}D_{ijk}. \end{split}$$

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This method is completely different from the one used in ref. [3].

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UNITARITY



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

$$\mathcal{C} * \int A = \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2 < i_3}^{m-1} d(i_0 i_1 i_2 i_3) \mathcal{C} * D_0(i_0 i_1 i_2 i_3)$$

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	Integral	Unique Function
a	$I_4^{0\mathrm{m}}(s,t)$	$\ln(-s)\ln(-t)$
b	$I_{3}^{1m}(s)$	$\ln(-s)^2$
с	$I_{3}^{1m}(t)$	$\ln(-t)^2$
d	$I_2(s)$	$\ln(-s)$
е	$I_2(t)$	$\ln(-t)$

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

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а	$I^{3\mathrm{m}}_{4:r,r';i}$	$\ln(-t_i^{[r]})\ln(-t_{i+r+r'}^{[n-r-r'-1]})$
b	$I_{4:r;i}^{2m e}$	$\ln(-t_i^{[r]})\ln(-t_{i+r+1}^{[n-r-2]})$
с	$I_{4:r,r',r'';i}^{4m}$	$\ln(-t_i^{[r]})\ln(-t_{i+r+r'}^{[r'']})$
d	$I_{4:r;i}^{2 \le h}$	$\ln(-t_i^{[r]})\ln(-t_{i+r}^{[n-r-1]})$
е	$I_{4;i}^{1\mathrm{m}}$	$\ln(-t_i^{[r]})\ln(-t_i^{[r+1]})$
f	$I^{3m}_{3:r,r';i}$	$\ln(-t_i^{[r]}) \ln(-t_{i+r}^{[r']})$

Table 2: Following the ordering shown and taking large $t_i^{[r]}$ makes the proof of uniqueness of the cuts straightforward.

R. Britto, F. Cachazo and B. Feng, [arXiv:hep-th/0412103]. Quadruple cut with complex momenta $\rightarrow d(i_0i_1i_2i_3)$



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

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

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- The quantities $d(i_0i_1i_2i_3)$ are the coefficients of 4-point functions with denominators labeled by i_0 , i_1 , i_2 , and i_3 .
- c(i₀i₁i₂), b(i₀i₁), a(i₀) are the coefficients of all possible 3-point, 2-point and 1-point functions, respectively.

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$$\begin{split} \mathcal{N}(q) &= \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2 < i_3}^{m-1} \left[d(i_0i_1i_2i_3) + \tilde{d}(q;i_0i_1i_2i_3) \right] \prod_{i \neq i_0, i_1, i_2, i_3}^{m-1} D_i + \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2}^{m-1} \left[c(i_0i_1i_2) + \tilde{c}(q;i_0i_1i_2) \right] \prod_{i \neq i_0, i_1, i_2}^{m-1} D_i \\ &+ \sum_{i_0 < i_1}^{m-1} \left[b(i_0i_1) + \tilde{b}(q;i_0i_1) \right] \prod_{i \neq i_0, i_1}^{m-1} D_i + \sum_{i_0}^{m-1} \left[a(i_0) + \tilde{a}(q;i_0) \right] \prod_{i \neq i_0}^{m-1} D_i \end{split}$$

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?

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

• Express any q in N(q) as

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

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 \rightarrow They give rise to *d*, *c*, *b*, *a* coefficients \rightarrow They form the spurious \tilde{d} , \tilde{c} , \tilde{b} , \tilde{a} coefficients • $\tilde{d}(q)$ term (only 1)

$$\tilde{d}(q) = \tilde{d} T(q),$$

where \tilde{d} is a constant (does not depend on q)

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• $\tilde{b}(q)$ and $\tilde{a}(q)$ give rise to 8 and 4 terms, respectively

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$$d(i_0 i_1 i_2 i_3) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{D_{i_0}(q^+)} + \frac{1}{D_{i_0}(q^-)} \right)$$

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There is a very good set of such points: Use values of q for which a set of denominators D_i vanish \rightarrow The system becomes "triangular": solve first for 4-point functions, then 3-point functions and so on

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{N}(q) &= d + \tilde{d}(q) + \sum_{i=0}^{3} \left[c(i) + \tilde{c}(q;i) \right] D_{i} + \sum_{i_{0} < i_{1}}^{3} \left[b(i_{0}i_{1}) + \tilde{b}(q;i_{0}i_{1}) \right] D_{i_{0}} D_{i_{1}} \\ &+ \sum_{i_{0}=0}^{3} \left[a(i_{0}) + \tilde{a}(q;i_{0}) \right] D_{i \neq i_{0}} D_{j \neq i_{0}} D_{k \neq i_{0}} \end{split}$$

We look for a q of the form $q^{\mu}=-p_{0}^{\mu}+x_{i}\ell_{i}^{\mu}$ such that

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 \rightarrow we get a system of equations in χ_i that has two solutions q_0^{\pm}

$N(q) = d + \tilde{d}(q)$

Our "master formula" for $q = q_0^{\pm}$ is:

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

ightarrow solve to extract the coefficients d and $ilde{d}$

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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: $D_1 = 0, D_2 = 0, D_3 = 0$)

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

We have infinite values of q for which

$$D_1 = D_2 = D_3 = 0$$
 and $D_0 \neq 0$

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

• Let's go back to the integrand

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

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

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• Finally rewrite all denominators using

$$rac{D_i}{ar{D}_i} = ar{Z}_i\,, \hspace{1em} ext{with} \hspace{1em} ar{Z}_i \equiv \left(1 - rac{ ilde{q}^2}{ar{D}_i}
ight)$$

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{A}(\bar{q}) &= \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2 < i_3}^{m-1} \frac{d(i_0 i_1 i_2 i_3) + \tilde{d}(q; i_0 i_1 i_2 i_3)}{\bar{D}_{i_0} \bar{D}_{i_1} \bar{D}_{i_2} \bar{D}_{i_3}} \prod_{i \neq i_0, i_1, i_2, i_3}^{m-1} \bar{Z}_i \\ &+ \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2}^{m-1} \frac{c(i_0 i_1 i_2) + \tilde{c}(q; i_0 i_1 i_2)}{\bar{D}_{i_0} \bar{D}_{i_1} \bar{D}_{i_2}} \prod_{i \neq i_0, i_1, i_2}^{m-1} \bar{Z}_i \\ &+ \sum_{i_0 < i_1}^{m-1} \frac{b(i_0 i_1) + \tilde{b}(q; i_0 i_1)}{\bar{D}_{i_0} \bar{D}_{i_1}} \prod_{i \neq i_0, i_1}^{m-1} \bar{Z}_i \\ &+ \sum_{i_0 < i_1}^{m-1} \frac{a(i_0) + \tilde{a}(q; i_0)}{\bar{D}_{i_0}} \prod_{i \neq i_0}^{m-1} \bar{Z}_i \end{split}$$

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

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The "Extra Integrals" are of the form

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

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 $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$

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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

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

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

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{R}_{1} &= -\frac{i}{96\pi^{2}}d^{(2m-4)} - \frac{i}{32\pi^{2}}\sum_{i_{0} < i_{1} < i_{2}}^{m-1}c^{(2)}(i_{0}i_{1}i_{2}) \\ &- \frac{i}{32\pi^{2}}\sum_{i_{0} < i_{1}}^{m-1}b^{(2)}(i_{0}i_{1})\left(m_{i_{0}}^{2} + m_{i_{1}}^{2} - \frac{(p_{i_{0}} - p_{i_{1}})^{2}}{3}\right). \end{aligned}$$

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

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New vertices/particles or GKM-approach

RATIONAL TERMS - R_2



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Rational counterterms

$$\mu \stackrel{p}{\longrightarrow} \dots \qquad = -\frac{ie^2}{8\pi^2} g_{\mu\nu} \left(2m_e^2 - p^2/3\right)$$

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- massive integrals \rightarrow FF [G. J. van Oldenborgh]
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A tool to efficiently treat phase-space points with numerical instabilities

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OPP Reduction

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Plot presented by Nagy and Soper hep-ph/0610028 (also Binoth et al., hep-ph/0703311)

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Analogous plot produced with OPP reduction

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T. Binoth, G. Ossola, C. G. Papadopoulos and R. Pittau, arXiv:0804.0350 [hep-ph]

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Hankele and Zeppenfeld arXiv:0712.3544 [hep-ph]

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WWW	3 <i>M</i> _W	82.5(5)	146.2(6)

Agreement with Hankele and Zeppenfeld.



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HELAC - PHEGAS : automatic helicity amplitude calculation and parton level generation





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• Example: $e^-e^+ \rightarrow e^-e^+e^-e^+$ in QED:



The Dyson-Schwinger recursion

• Imagine a theory with 3- and 4- point vertices and just one field. Then it is straightforward to write an equation that gives the amplitude for $1 \rightarrow n$











- Dirac algebra simplification: 2-dim vs 4-dim and chiral representation, including $m_f \neq 0$.
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• Full EWK theory, both Unitary and Feynman gauges.

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- \star gluons = $q\bar{q}$

$$\mathcal{C}_{ij} = \sum D_i D_j = N^lpha_c \;,\;\; lpha = \langle \sigma_1, \sigma_2
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• New approach U(N)-type

Each color-configuration amplitude is proportional to

$$D_i = \delta_{1,\sigma_i(1)} \delta_{2,\sigma_i(2)} \dots \delta_{n,\sigma_i(n)}$$

where σ_i represents the *i*-th permutation of the set $1, 2, \ldots, n$.

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\blacklozenge exact color treatment \Rightarrow low color charge

Problem: number of colour connection configurations: $\sim n!$ where n is the number of gluons or $q\bar{q}$ pairs. \Rightarrow Monte-Carlo over continuous colour-space.












• Extra version with HG^n and $\mathrm{H}\gamma^n$ couplings





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$$\mathcal{M}_{j_{2},...,j_{k}}^{a_{1},i_{2},...,i_{k}} t_{i_{1}j_{1}}^{a_{1}} \to \mathcal{M}_{j_{1},j_{2},...,j_{k}}^{i_{1},i_{2},...,i_{k}}$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{j_{1},j_{2},...,j_{k}}^{i_{1},i_{2},...,i_{k}} = \sum_{\sigma} \delta_{i_{\sigma_{1}},j_{1}} \delta_{i_{\sigma_{2}},j_{2}} \dots \delta_{i_{\sigma_{k}},j_{k}} A_{\sigma}$$

$$\sum_{\{i\},\{j\}} |\mathcal{M}_{j_{1},j_{2},...,j_{k}}^{i_{1},i_{2},...,i_{k}}|^{2}$$

$$\sum_{\sigma,\sigma'} \mathcal{A}_{\sigma}^{*} \mathcal{C}_{\sigma,\sigma'} \mathcal{A}_{\sigma'}$$

$$\mathcal{C}_{\sigma,\sigma'} \equiv \sum_{\{i\},\{j\}} \delta_{i_{\sigma_{1}},j_{1}} \delta_{i_{\sigma_{2}},j_{2}} \dots \delta_{i_{\sigma_{k}},j_{k}} \delta_{i_{\sigma_{1}'},j_{1}} \delta_{i_{\sigma_{2}'},j_{2}} \dots \delta_{i_{\sigma_{k}'},j_{k}}$$

 $(x_1, y_1) \dots (x_n, y_n)$

where y_i take the values $\{1, 2, ..., n_l\}$ if *i* is a gluon or an outgoing quark (incoming anti-quark) otherwise $y_i = 0$, whereas x_i take the values $\{\sigma_1, \sigma_2, ..., \sigma_{n_l}\}$ if *i* is a gluon or an incoming quark (outgoing anti-quark) otherwise $x_i = 0$. So for instance for a $q\bar{q} \rightarrow gg$ process, $n_l = 3$ and a possible color connection is given by (3,0)(0,1)(1,2)(2,3)



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whereas for $gg \rightarrow ggg$, $n_l = 5$ and a possible color connection is given by (2,1)(3,2)(4,3)(5,4)(1,5)



$$\mathcal{C}_{\sigma,\sigma'} = \mathit{N}_{c}^{m(\sigma,\sigma')}$$

where $m(\sigma, \sigma')$ count the number of common cycles of the two permutations.

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$$\begin{array}{l} \frac{p}{70000000000} \\ \mu_{1,a_{1}} \mu_{2,a_{2}} \end{array} = \frac{ig^{2}N_{col}}{48\pi^{2}} \delta_{a_{1}a_{2}} \left[\frac{p^{2}}{2}g_{\mu_{1}\mu_{2}} + \lambda_{HV} \left(g_{\mu_{1}\mu_{2}}p^{2} - p_{\mu_{1}}p_{\mu_{2}}\right) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{N_{f}}{N_{col}} \left(p^{2} - 6m_{q}^{2}\right)g_{\mu_{1}\mu_{2}} \right] \end{array}$$

$$\prod_{\substack{p_1 \\ p_2 \\ p_3 \\ p_4, a_1 \\ p_5 \\ \mu_3, a_3}}^{p_2 \\ p_2 \\ \mu_2, a_5} = -\frac{g^3 N_{col}}{48\pi^2} \left(\frac{7}{4} + \lambda_{HV} + 2\frac{N_f}{N_{col}}\right) f^{a_1 a_2 a_3} V_{\mu_1 \mu_2 \mu_3}(p_1, p_2, p_3)$$

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$$\frac{p}{l} = \frac{ig^2 N_{cd} - 1}{16\pi^2 2N_{cd}} \delta_{kl} (-p + 2m_q) \lambda_{HV}$$

$$\mu, a \cos k = \frac{ig^3 N_{cd}^2 - 1}{16\pi^2 2N_{cd}} t_k^a \gamma_\mu (1 + \lambda_{HV})$$

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$uar{u} o tar{t}bar{b}$								
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HELAC-1L	-2.347908989000179E-07	-2.082520105681483E-07	3.909384299635230E-07					
$I(\epsilon)$	-2.347908989000243E-07	-2.082520105665445E-07						
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HELAC-1L	-1.435108168334016E-06	-2.085070773763073E-06	3.616343483497464E-06					
$I(\epsilon)$	-1.435108168334035E-06	-2.085070773651439E-06						

	p _×	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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Ь	-41.57664370692741	3.895531135098977	-91.94931862397770	100.9874727883170
Б	-25.15029108706678	5.981395280396083	-0.7871319108423604	25.86375471407044

$pp ightarrow VVbar{b}$ and $pp ightarrow VV+$ 2 jets									
$uar{u} o W^+W^-bar{b}$									
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HELAC-1L	-2.493916939359002E-07	-4.885901774740355E-07	1.592538533368835E-07						
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$I(\epsilon)$	-2.686310592221206E-07	-6.078682340168020E-07							

	p _x	p_y	pz	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
Ь	-71.68369328357026	6.716416578342183	-158.5329205583824	174.1159068988160
Ъ	-43.36246487297426	10.31272528177322	-1.357120667754454	44.59257156863792

pp ightarrow V+ 3 jets								
$uar{d} o W^+ ggg$								
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HELAC-1L	-1.995636628164684E-05	-5.935610843551600E-05	-5.323285370666314E-05					
$I(\epsilon)$	-1.995636628164686E-05	-5.935610843566534E-05						
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HELAC-1L	-7.148261887172997E-06	-2.142170009323704E-05	-1.906378375774021E-05					
$I(\epsilon)$	-7.148261887172976E-06	-2.142170009540120E-05						

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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

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$I(\epsilon)$	-6.127108113312702E-05	-1.874963445081074E-04						
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$I(\epsilon)$	-3.838786514961539E-04	-9.761168898436521E-04						

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$I(\epsilon)$	-9.205269484951025E-08	-2.404679886707971E-07				
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$I(\epsilon)$	-2.318436429821662E-05	-6.958360737341511E-05				

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- Several calculations

Future

• Automatize the real contributions (dipoles)

OPP

- changes the computational approach at one loop
- Numerical but still algebraic: speed and precision not a problem

Current

- Automatize through Dyson-Schwinger equations Full one-loop amplitudes (color, rational)
- Several calculations

Future

• Automatize the real contributions (dipoles)

A generic NLO calculator ante portas

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OPP Reduction

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