

Collider Physics and Higher Order Corrections

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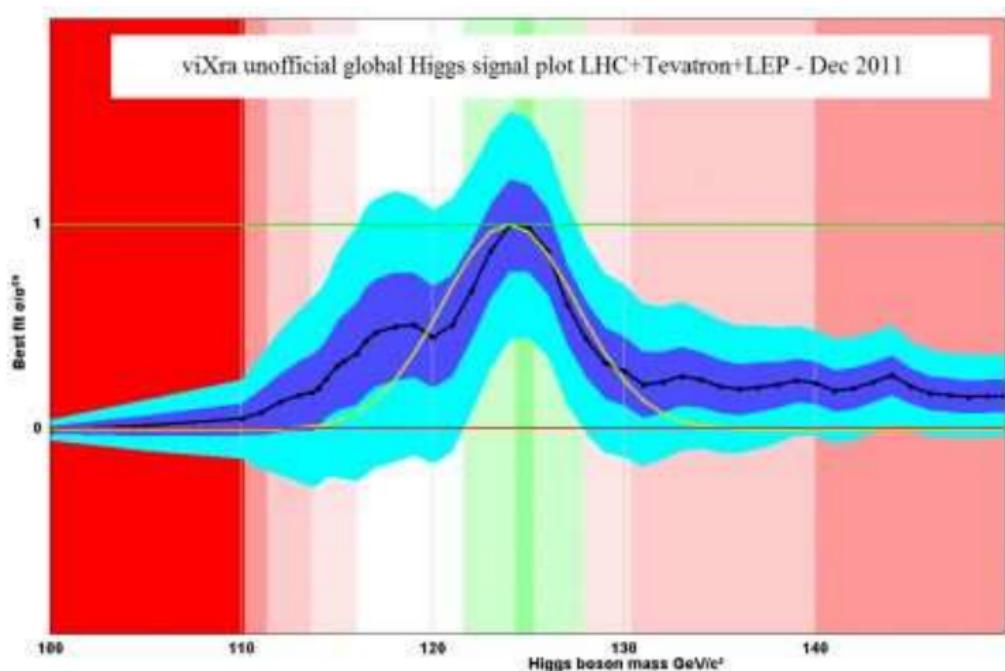


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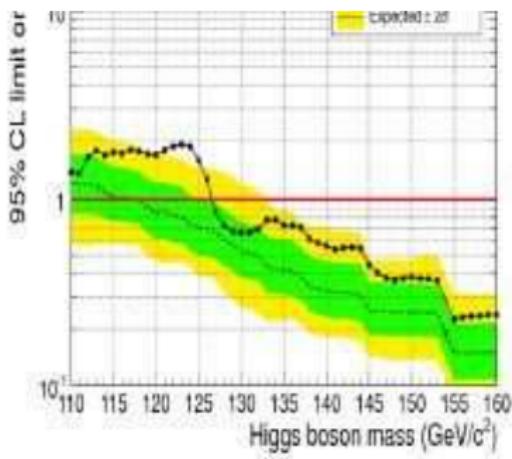
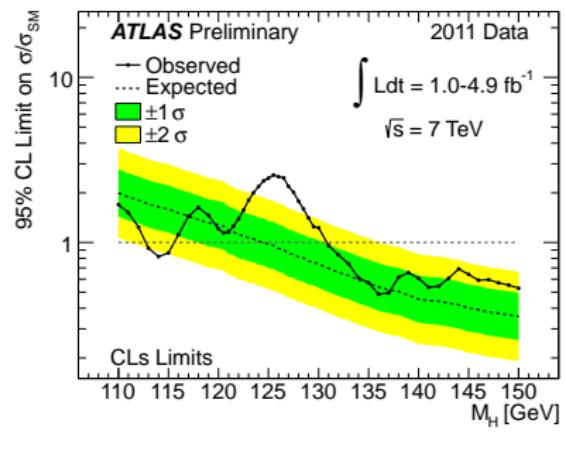
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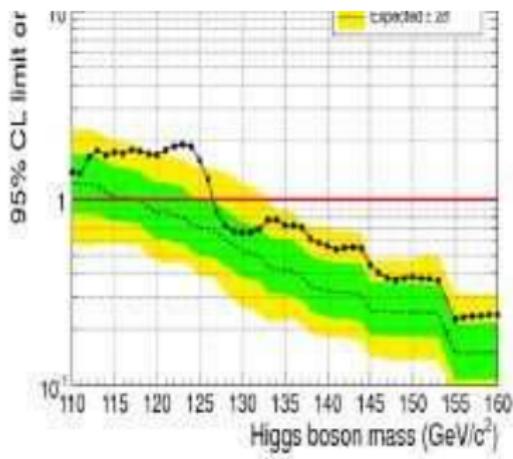
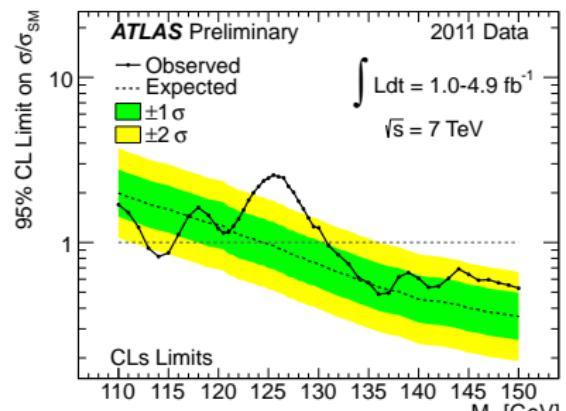
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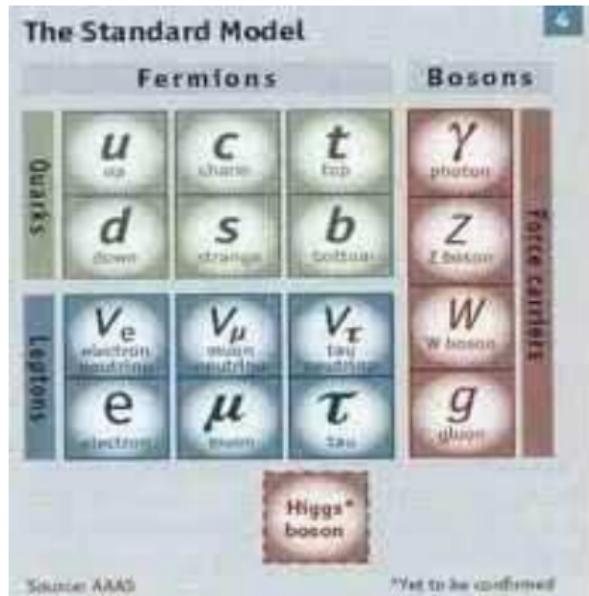


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we need precise theory predictions for "Expected" !

The Standard Model



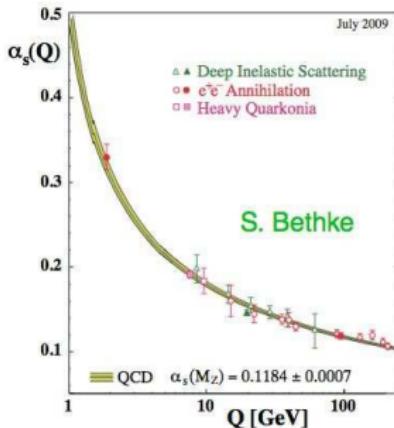
important concepts:

- ▶ local gauge theory $SU(2) \times U(1) \times SU(3)_c$
- ▶ renormalizability
- ▶ perturbation theory

Strong Interactions

basic principles of Quantum Chromo-Dynamics (QCD):

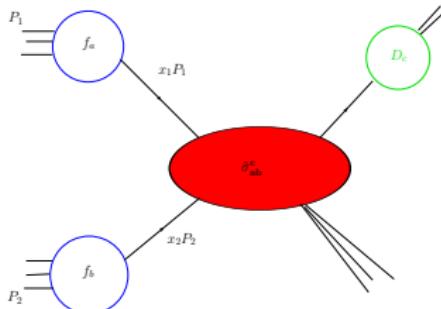
- ▶ asymptotic freedom: coupling $\alpha_s(Q^2) \rightarrow 0$ for $Q^2 \rightarrow \infty$



constituents of hadrons (quarks and gluons)
can be considered as freely interacting at
high energies (i.e. short distances)

- ▶ factorisation: systematic separation of **long-distance** effects (non-perturbative) and **short-distance** cross sections ("hard scattering")

factorisation



$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{pp \rightarrow X} &= \sum_{a,b,c} f_a(x_1, \mu_f^2) f_b(x_2, \mu_f^2) \otimes \hat{\sigma}_{ab}(p_1, p_2, \frac{Q^2}{\mu_f^2}, \frac{Q^2}{\mu_r^2}, \alpha_s(\mu_r^2)) \\ &\quad \otimes D_{c \rightarrow X}(z, \mu_f^2) + \mathcal{O}(\Lambda/Q)\end{aligned}$$

f_a, f_b : parton distribution functions (from fits to data)

$\hat{\sigma}_{ab}$: partonic hard scattering cross section

calculable order by order in perturbation theory

$D_{c \rightarrow X}(z, \mu_f^2)$: describing the final state e.g. fragmentation function, jet observable, etc.

Perturbative expansion

expansion in strong coupling α_s :

$$\hat{\sigma} = \alpha_s^k(\mu) \left[\hat{\sigma}^{\text{LO}} + \alpha_s(\mu) \hat{\sigma}^{\text{NLO}}(\mu) + \alpha_s^2(\mu) \hat{\sigma}^{\text{NNLO}}(\mu) + \dots \right]$$

μ -dependence comes from truncation of perturbative series

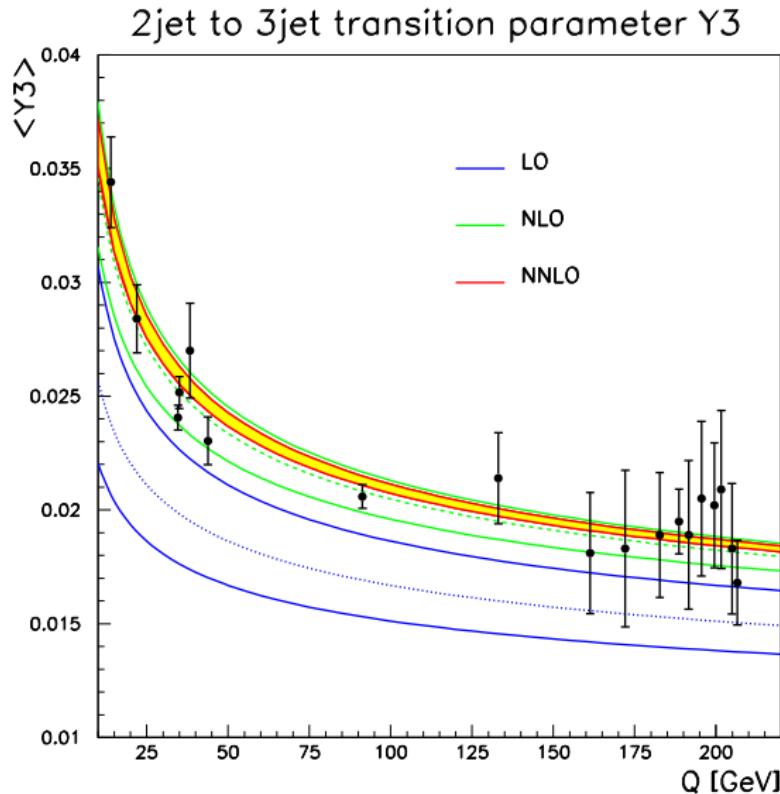
calculation at n -th order:

$$d\hat{\sigma}^{(n)}/d \ln(\mu^2) = \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^{n+1})$$

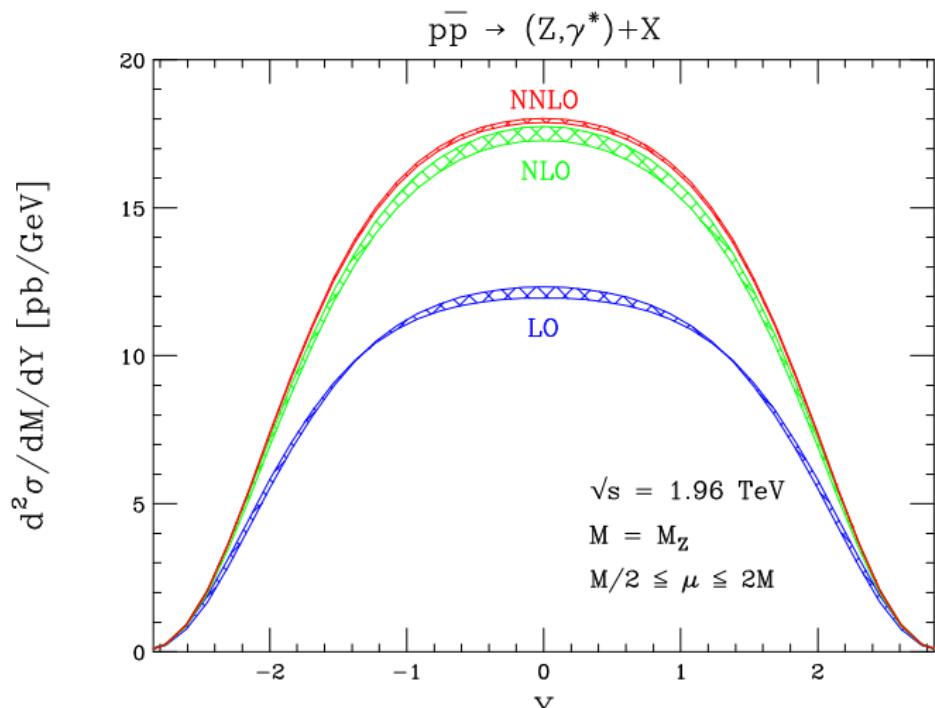
truncation of perturbative series at LO

\Rightarrow large renormalisation/factorisation scale dependence

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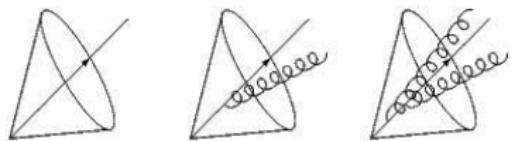
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[Anastasiou et al. 04]

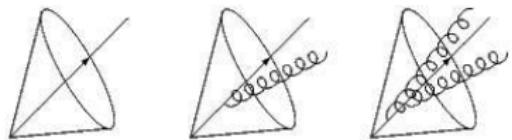
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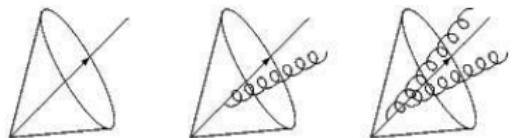
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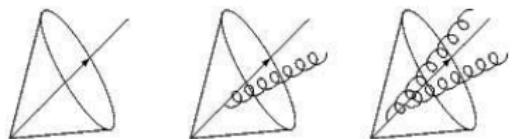
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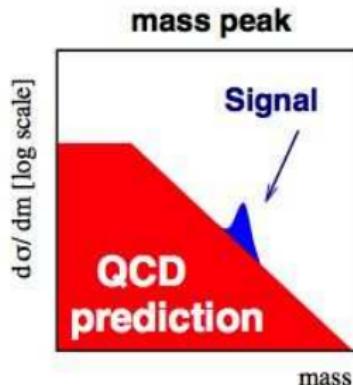
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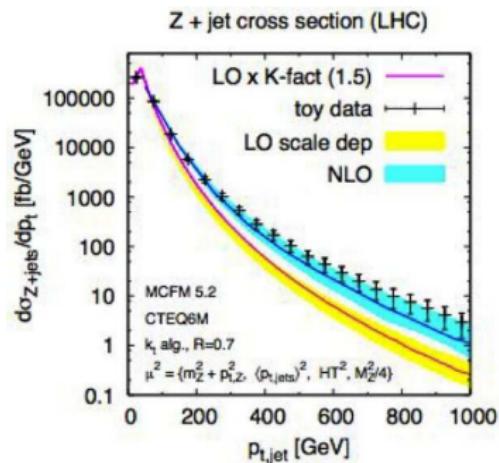
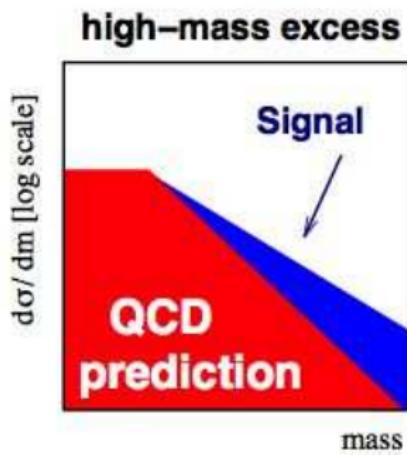
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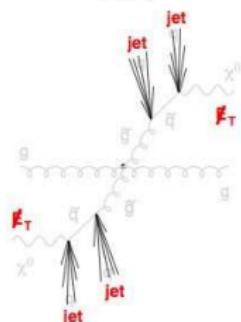


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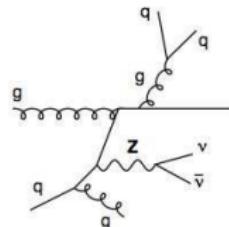
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- ▶ rate (e.g. $H \rightarrow w^+w^-$): **very hard** (counting experiment)
need both shape and **normalisation** from theory

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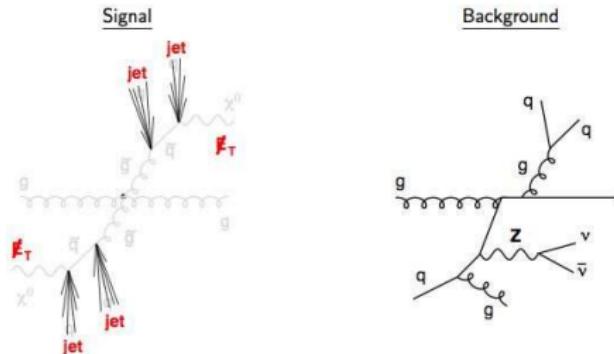
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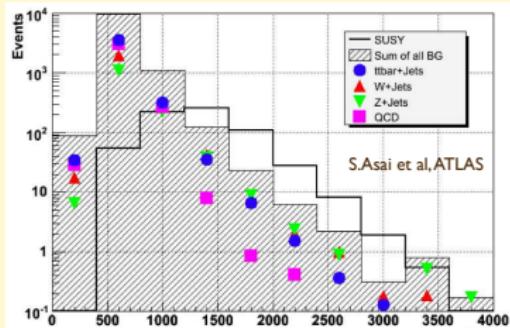
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**Overall result, after the complete
detector simulation, etc....**



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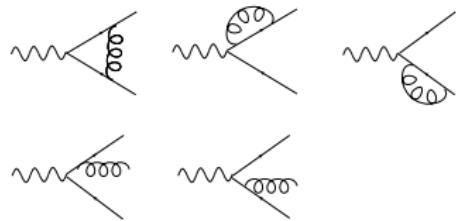
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- ▶ example for time scale to add one parton:
 $pp \rightarrow 2$ jets at NLO (4-point process): Ellis/Sexton 1986
 $pp \rightarrow 3$ jets at NLO (5-point): Bern et al, Kunszt et al '93-95
 $pp \rightarrow 4$ jets at NLO (6-point): not yet available

ingredients for m -particle observable at NLO

virtual part (one-loop integrals):

$$\mathcal{A}_{NLO}^V = A_2/\epsilon^2 + A_1/\epsilon + A_0^{(v)}$$

$$d\sigma^V \sim \text{Re} \left(\mathcal{A}_{LO}^\dagger \mathcal{A}_{NLO}^V \right)$$



real radiation part: soft/collinear emission of massless particles

⇒ need subtraction terms

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\text{sing}} d\sigma^S = -A_2/\epsilon^2 - A_1/\epsilon + A_0^{(r)}$$

$$\sigma^{NLO} = \underbrace{\int_{m+1} \left[d\sigma^R - d\sigma^S \right]_{\epsilon=0}}_{\text{numerically}} + \int_m \underbrace{\left[\underbrace{d\sigma^V}_{\text{cancel poles}} + \underbrace{\int_S d\sigma^S}_{\text{analytically}} \right]}_{\text{numerically}} \Big|_{\epsilon=0}$$

NLO calculations

exploit modular structure

Tree Modules

One-Loop Module

IR Modules

$$|\mathcal{A}^{LO}|^2$$

\oplus

$$2 \operatorname{Re}(\mathcal{A}^{LO\dagger} \mathcal{A}^{NLO,virt})$$

\oplus

integrated IR subtraction terms

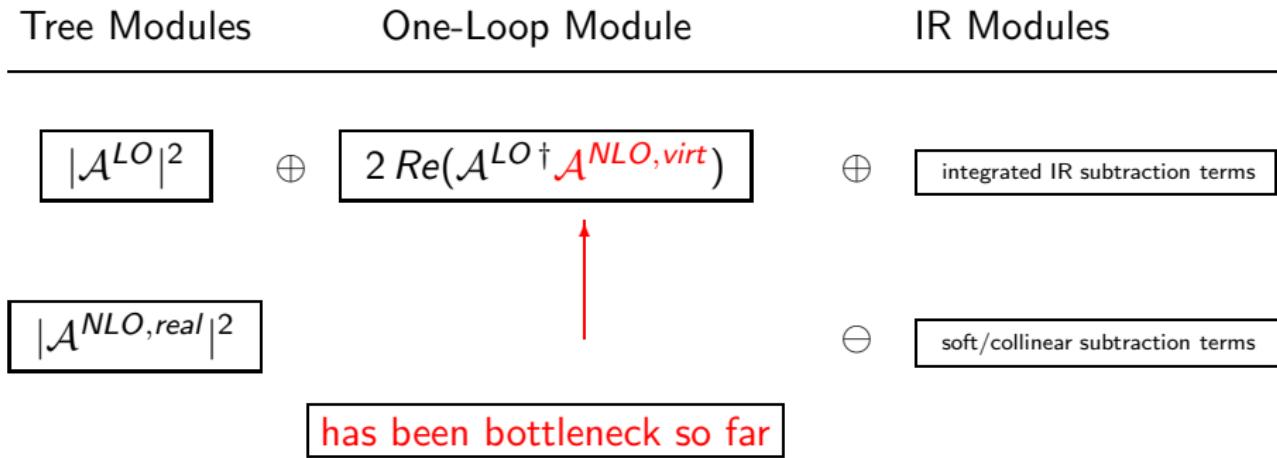
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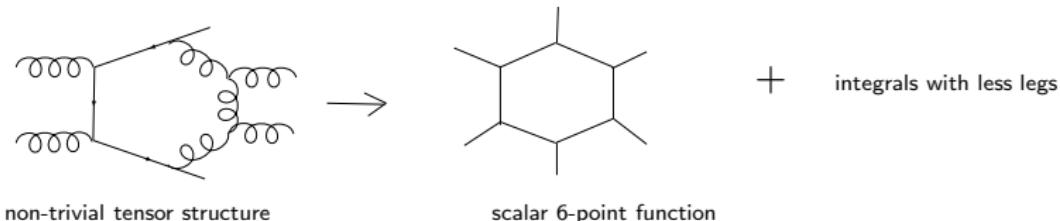
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One-loop methods

basically two categories:

- ▶ methods based on Feynman diagrams



The diagram shows a hexagon with internal lines, followed by an equals sign and a summation symbol. The summation has 6 as its upper limit and $i=1$ as its lower limit. Next to the summation is a pentagon with internal lines and a circled i . Ellipses follow, leading to the text "factorial growth in complexity".

$$\text{hexagon} = \sum_{i=1}^6 b_i \text{ pentagon}_i \dots \text{ factorial growth in complexity}$$

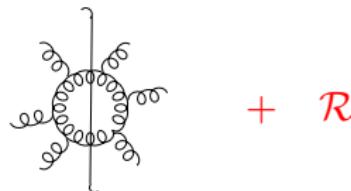
reduction to set of **basis integrals** (4-, 3- and 2-point funcs.)

$$\mathcal{A} = C_4 \text{ (square)} + C_3 \text{ (triangle)} + C_2 \text{ (line)} + C_1 \text{ (circle)} + \mathcal{R}$$

One-loop methods

- ▶ "unitarity based":

$$\mathcal{A} = \sum_{\text{cuts}} \int dP S$$



- ▶ use analyticity structure to compose loop amplitudes from cuts
- ▶ efficient for coefficients of boxes, triangles, bubbles
(use cuts in $D = 4$)
- ▶ cut conditions lead to systems of equations which can be solved numerically [OPP method, Ossola, Papadopoulos, Pittau]
- ▶ obtaining rational terms \mathcal{R} needs $D \neq 4$

Progress monitor

Les Houches NLO wishlist for LHC, Status 2007

process $(V \in \{Z, W, \gamma\})$	status
1. $pp \rightarrow V V \text{ jet}$	WW jet: Dittmaier, Kallweit, Uwer; Campbell, Ellis, Zanderighi; Binoth, Guillet, Karg, Kauer, Sanguinetti
2. $pp \rightarrow V V V$	ZZZ: Lazopoulos, Melnikov, Petriello
3. $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} b\bar{b}$	
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7. $pp \rightarrow V + 3 \text{ jets}$	
8. $pp \rightarrow b\bar{b} b\bar{b}$	
9. $pp \rightarrow 4 \text{ jets}$	
10. EW corrections to W,Z prod.	

Status Les Houches 2009

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$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} b\bar{b}$	Bredenstein/Denner/Dittmaier/Pozzorini; Bevilacqua/Czakon/Papadopoulos/Pittau/Worek
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} + 2 \text{jets}$	Bevilacqua/Czakon/Papadopoulos/Worek
$pp \rightarrow Z Z Z$	Lazopoulos/Melnikov/Petriello; Hankele/Zeppenfeld
$pp \rightarrow V V V$	Binoth/Ossola/Papadopoulos/Pittau; Zeppenfeld et al.
$pp \rightarrow V V b\bar{b}$	
$pp \rightarrow W \gamma \text{jet}$	Campanario/Englert/Spannowsky/Zeppenfeld
$pp \rightarrow V V + 2 \text{jets}$	VBF: Bozzi/Jäger/Oleari/Zeppenfeld, VBFNLO coll.
$pp \rightarrow W + 3 \text{jets}$	BlackHat coll.; Ellis/Giele/Kunszt/Melnikov/Zanderighi*
$pp \rightarrow Z + 3 \text{jets}$	BlackHat collaboration
$qq \rightarrow b\bar{b} b\bar{b}$	Binoth/Greiner/Guffanti/GUILLET/Reiter/Reuter

- done
- partial results
- * leading colour only

Now

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automation of subtraction for IR divergent real radiation

- ▶ MadDipole Frederix, Greiner, Gehrmann 08
- ▶ TevJet Seymour, Tevlin 08
- ▶ AutoDipole Hasegawa, Moch, Uwer 08,09
- ▶ Helac-Phegas Czakon, Papadopoulos, Worek 09; polarized
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<http://projects.hepforge.org/gosam/>

arXiv: 1111.6534 [hep-ph]



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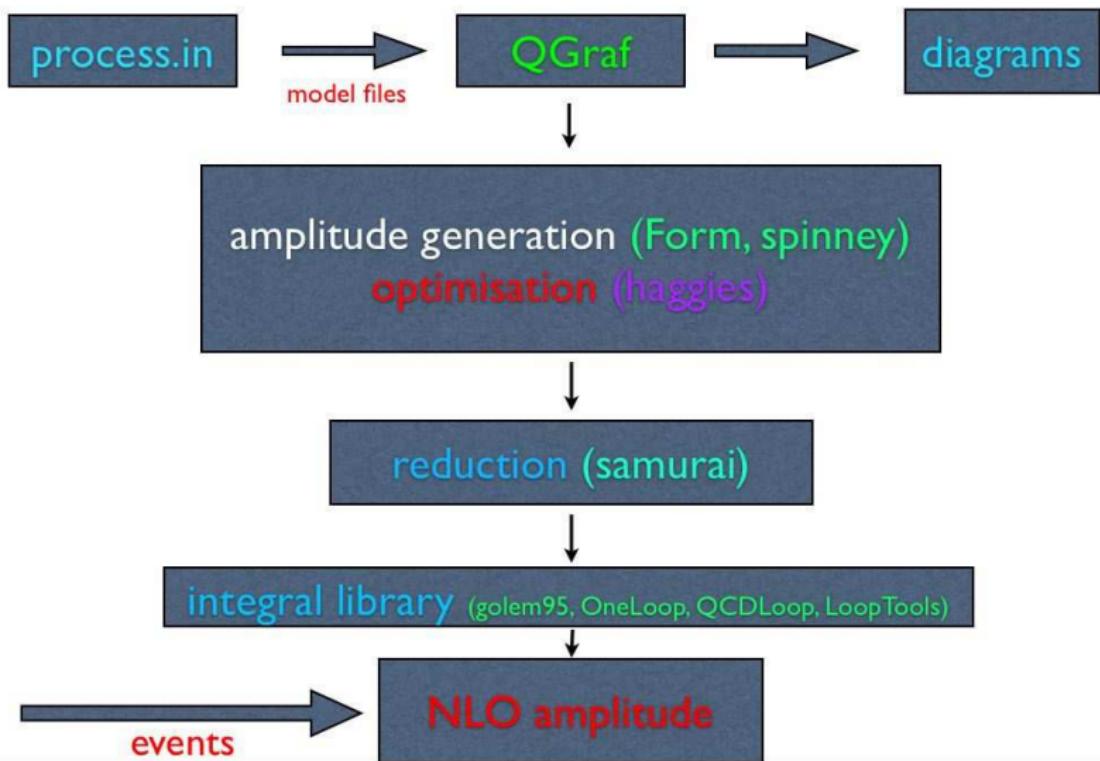
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(MadGraph/MadEvent, Sherpa, Powheg, ...)

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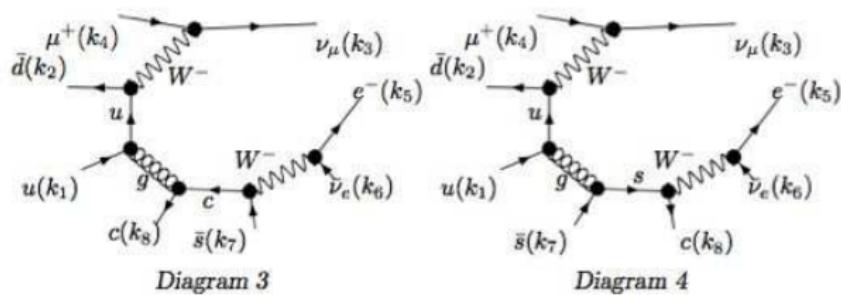
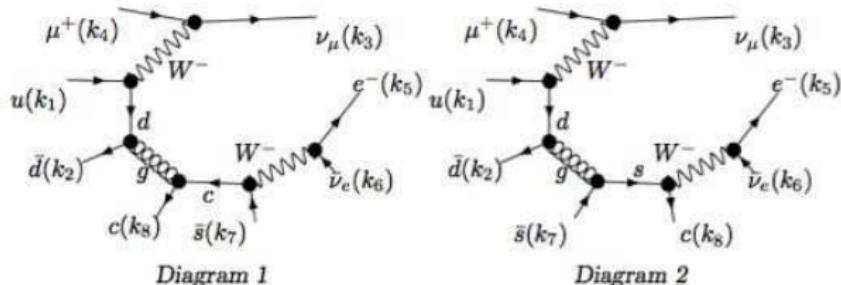
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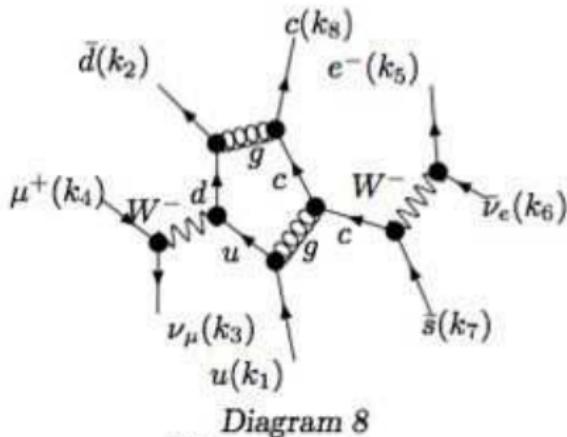


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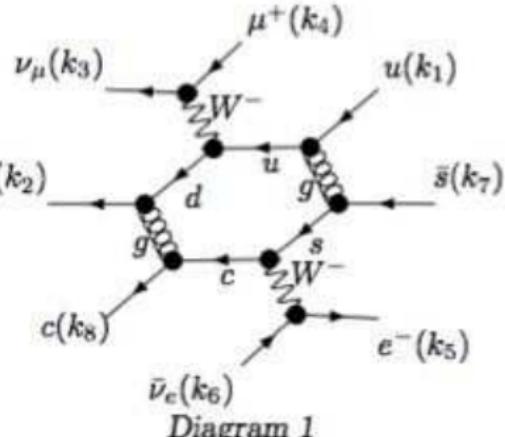
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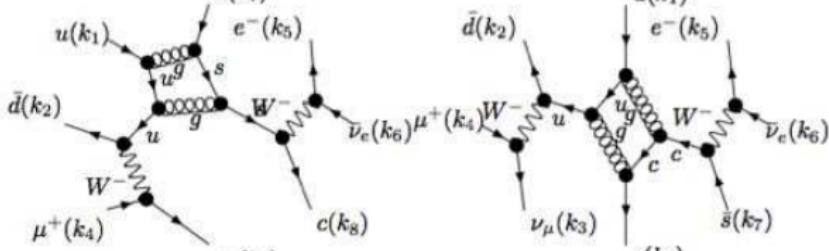
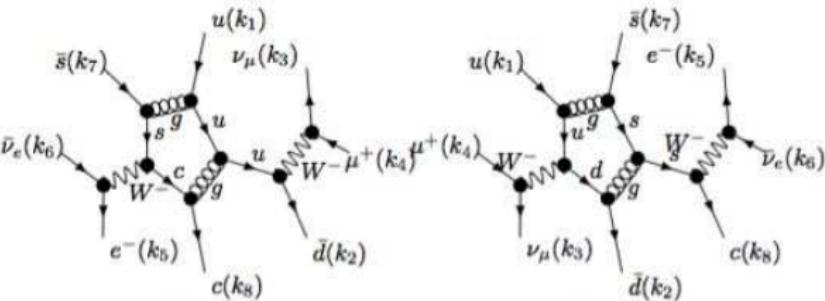


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CPU time (secs): 1.2997999999999991E-002
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result compared with

Melia, Melnikov, Rontsch, Zanderighi (MMRZ) 1104.2327 [hep-ph]

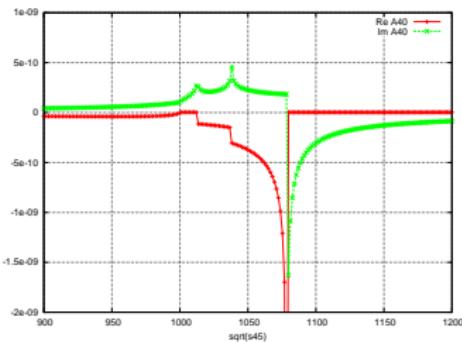
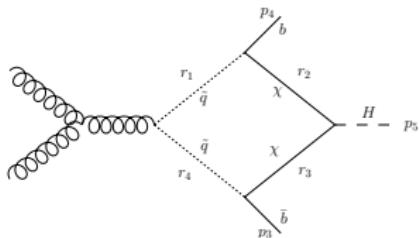
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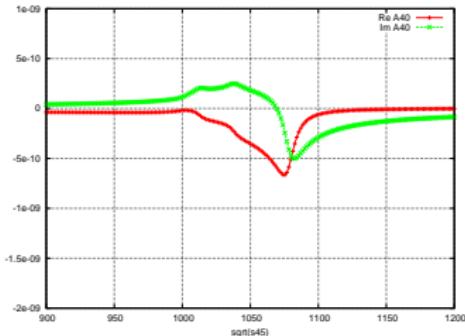
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golem95 integral library

Example: production of a heavy neutral MSSM Higgs and a $b\bar{b}$ pair with unstable particles (squarks, neutralinos) in the loop



real masses



complex masses

contained in **golem95C library**: 1101.5595 [hep-ph]

Binoth, Cullen, Guillet, GH, Kleinschmidt, Pilon, Reiter, Rodgers

<http://projects.hepforge.org/~golem/95/>

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renormalisation/regularisation schemes:

- ▶ 't Hooft/Veltman
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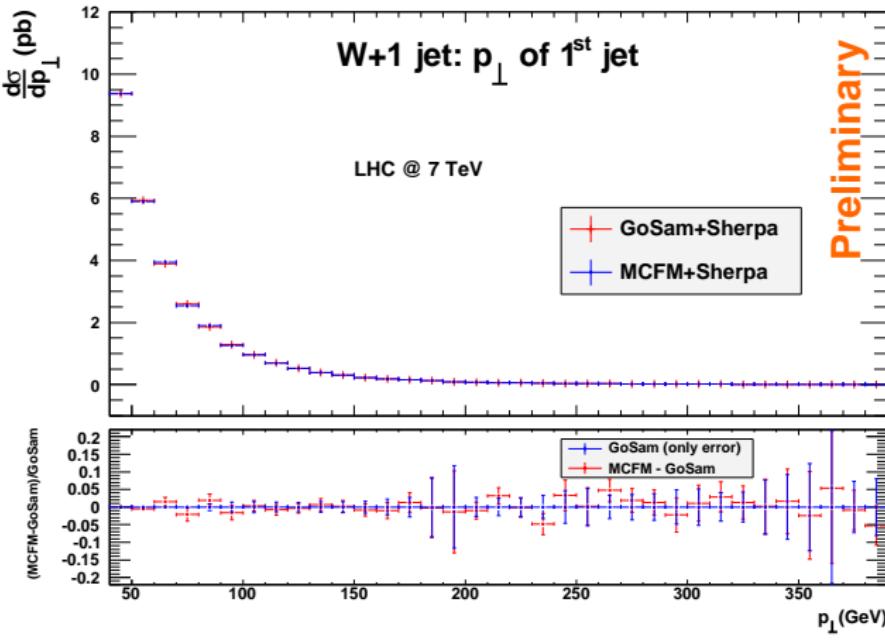
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Golem-Samurai offers different options for calculation of R_2

- ▶ **implicit:** μ^2 terms are kept in the numerator and reduced at runtime
- ▶ **explicit:** μ^2 terms are reduced analytically
- ▶ **only:** only the R_2 term is kept in the final result
 - (does not require any additional libraries)
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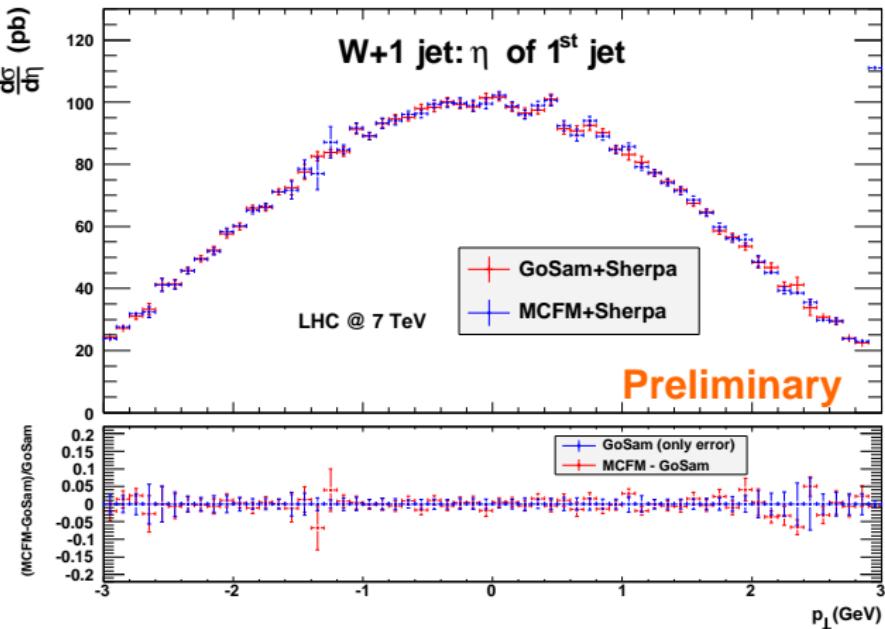
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NLO SUSY-QCD corrections

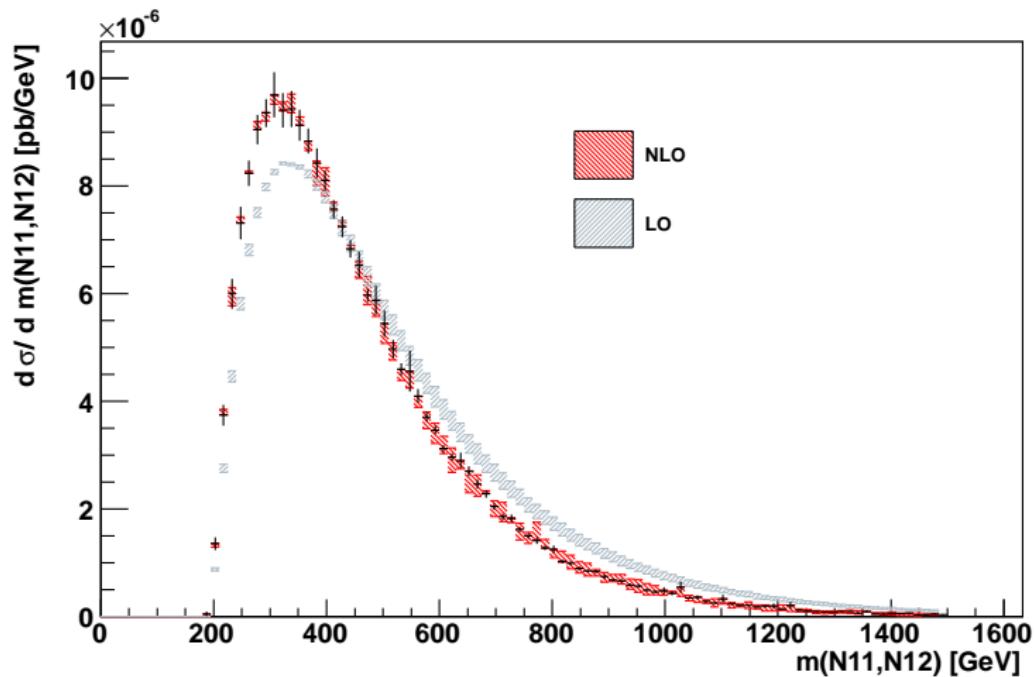
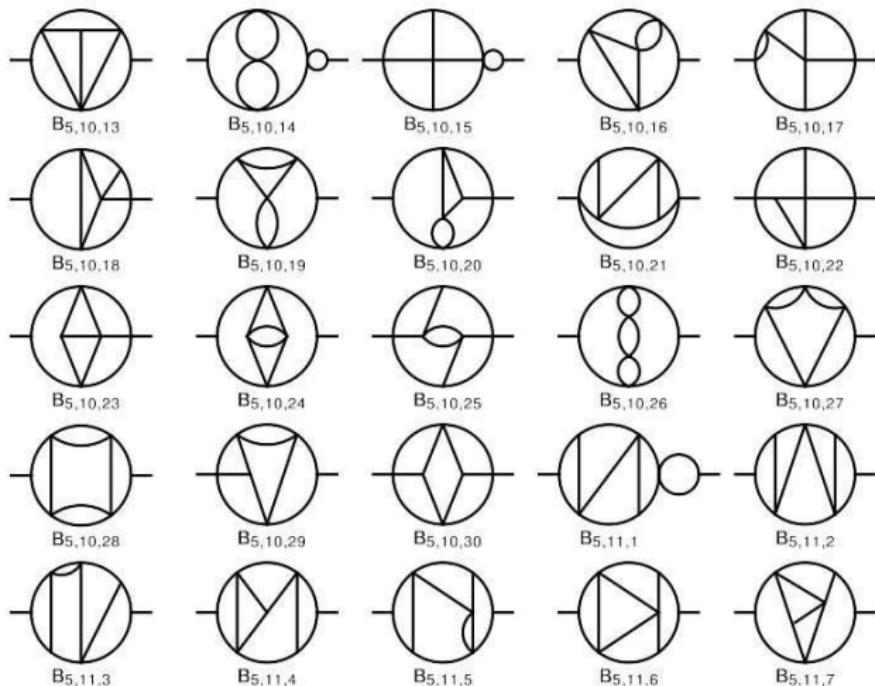


figure by G. Cullen, N. Greiner

Beyond One Loop



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- ▶ hadronic collisions:

- ▶ one colour-neutral final state particle (**W/Z, Higgs**)
Anastasiou, Dixon, Melnikov, Petriello; Grazzini, Catani, DeFlorian, Cieri, Ferrera
- ▶ $t\bar{t}$, W^+W^- , $\gamma\gamma$, $V+\text{jet}$, dijet under construction

- ▶ different methods for double real radiation

- ▶ antenna subtraction Gehrmann-DeRidder, Gehrmann, Glover '05
- ▶ Dipole-like subtraction Grazzini, Catani, DeFlorian; Trocsanyi, Somogyi et al.
- ▶ sector decomposition Bineth, GH '00, Anastasiou, Melnikov, Petriello '03
- ▶ FKS+sector decomposition Czakon '10/'11, Boughezal, Melnikov, Petriello '11

Sector Decomposition

- ▶ allows to extract UV and IR singularities from (dimensionally regulated) parameter integrals in an **automated way**
- ▶ produces a Laurent series in ϵ
- ▶ coefficients are finite parameter integrals
⇒ **integrate numerically**
- ▶ can be applied to **multi-loop integrals** and **phase space integrals**

Sector Decomposition

public programs:

- ▶ sector_decomposition (uses Ginac) Bogner, Weinzierl '07
- ▶ FIESTA (uses Mathematica) A. Smirnov, V.Smirnov, M. Tentyukov '08
- ▶ SecDec (uses Mathematica and Fortran/C) Jon Carter, GH '10

<http://projects.hepforge.org/secdec>

limitation until recently:

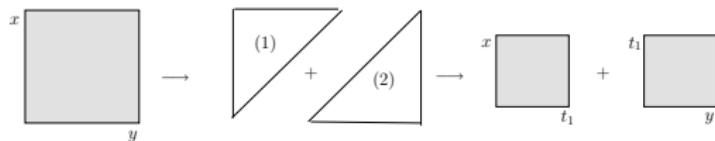
multi-scale integrals limited to Euclidean region
(e.g. no thresholds)

extension of SecDec to general kinematics under construction

method: contour integration in complex plane

S. Borowka, J. Carter, GH

basics of sector decomposition



$$I = \int_0^1 dx \int_0^1 dy x^{-1-\epsilon} (x+y)^{-1} [\underbrace{\Theta(x-y)}_{(1)} + \underbrace{\Theta(y-x)}_{(2)}]$$

subst. (1) $y = x z$ (2) $x = y z$ to remap to unit cube

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_0^1 dx x^{-1-\epsilon} \int_0^1 dz (1+z)^{-1} \\ &\quad + \int_0^1 dy y^{-1-\epsilon} \int_0^1 dz z^{-1-\epsilon} (1+z)^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

singularities are **disentangled**, number of integrals doubled

SecDec

SecDec 1.0: [J. Carter, GH]

program for the automated numerical evaluation of

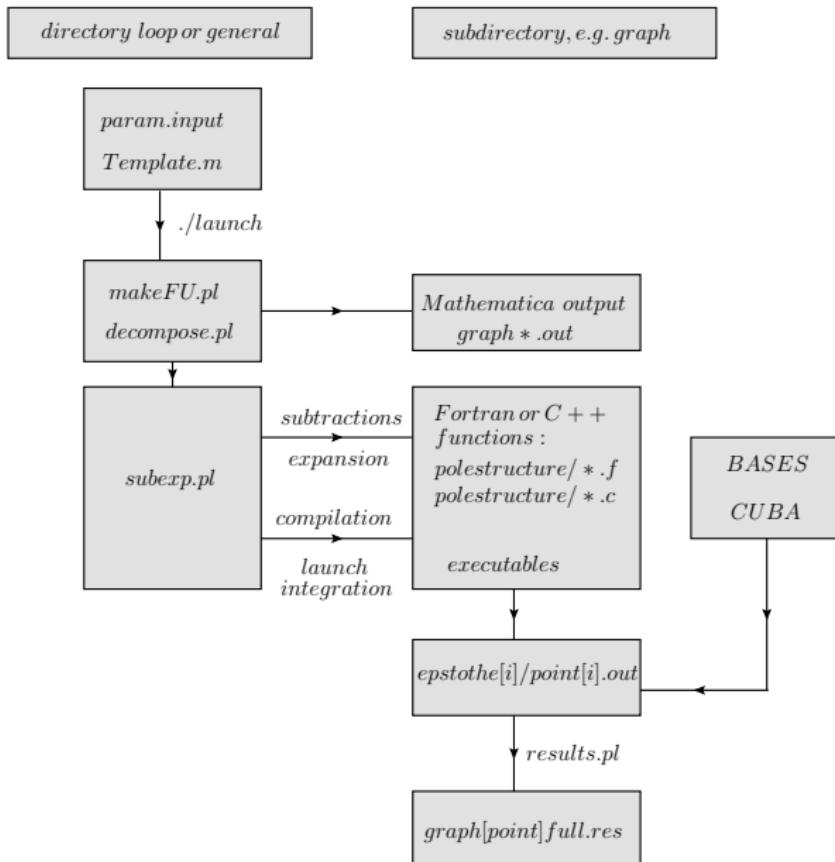
- ▶ multi-loop integrals

$$G = \frac{(-1)^N}{\prod_{j=1}^N \Gamma(\nu_j)} \int_0^\infty \prod_{j=1}^N dx_j x_j^{\nu_j-1} \delta(1 - \sum_{l=1}^N x_l) \frac{\mathcal{U}^{N-(L+1)D/2}}{\mathcal{F}^{N-LD/2}}$$

- ▶ general multi-dimensional parameter integrals
(e.g. phase space integrals)

$$\begin{aligned} \int d\Phi^{(D)} |\text{ME}|^2 &\sim \int ds_{13} ds_{23} s_{13}^{-1-\epsilon} \frac{\mathcal{F}(s_{13}, s_{23})}{s_{13} + s_{23}} \\ &\sim \int_0^1 dx dy x^{-1-\epsilon} \frac{\mathcal{F}(x, y)}{x + y} \end{aligned}$$

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user input:

parameter.input:

```
##### input parameters for sector decomposition #####
#
# ##### all lines beginning with # are comments #####
#
# graphname
graph=A91
#
# number of propagators:
propagators=9
#
# number of external legs:
legs=3
#
# number of loops:
loops=3
#####
# parameters for subtractions and epsilon expansion
#####
# epsord: level up to which expansion in eps is desired
# (default is epsord=0: Laurent series is cut after finite part  $\text{eps}^{\text{maxpole}}$ )
# series will be calculated from  $\text{eps}^{(-\text{maxpole})}$  to  $\text{eps}^{\text{epsord}}$ 
# note that epsord is negative if only some pole coeffs are required
#
epsord=0
#
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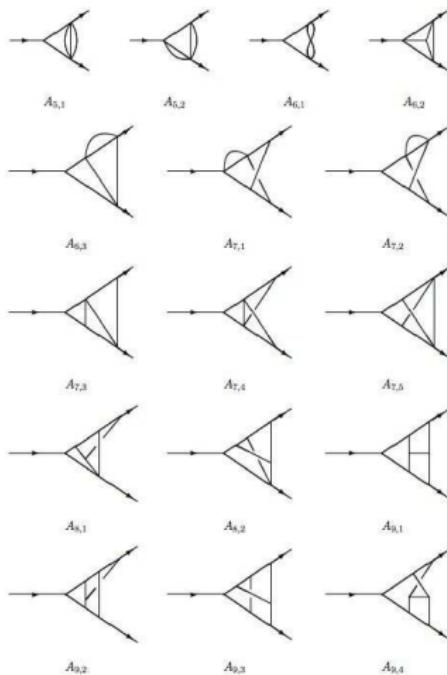
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template_graph.m:

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(* USER INPUT: *)  
  
(* give -list of loop momenta (momlist)  
   -list of propagators (proplist):  
   masses m_i^2 must be called ms[i], example k^2-m^2= k^2-ms[1]  
   -numerator: list of scalar products of loop momenta contracted with  
   external vectors or loop momenta;  
   for scalar integrals numerator={1};  
   -list of propagator powers (powerlist), default is 1:  
   powers of propagators as listed in proplist      *)  
  
(* example is a 3-loop vertex diagram, for definition and analytical result see e.g.  
hep-ph/0607185 *)  
(* NOTE: A61 below is with power 1+3*eps for propagator 1 *)  
  
momlist={k,r,q};  
proplist={k^2,(k+p1+p2)^2,(r-k)^2,(r+p1)^2,(k-q)^2,(q+p1)^2};  
  
numerator={1};  
  
powerlist={1+3*eps,1,1,1,1,1};  
  
(* optional: give on-shell conditions *)
```

3-loop example

master integrals for 3-loop form factors

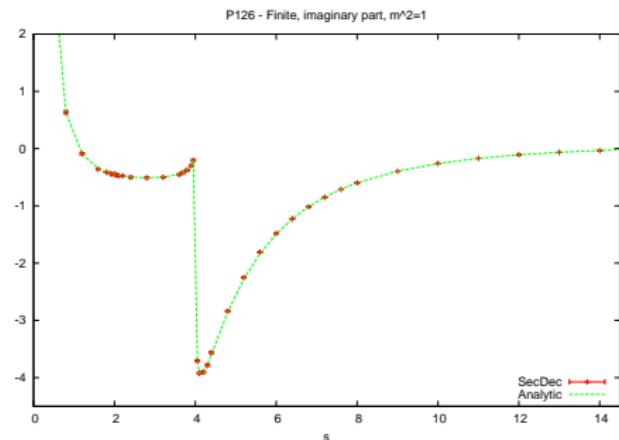
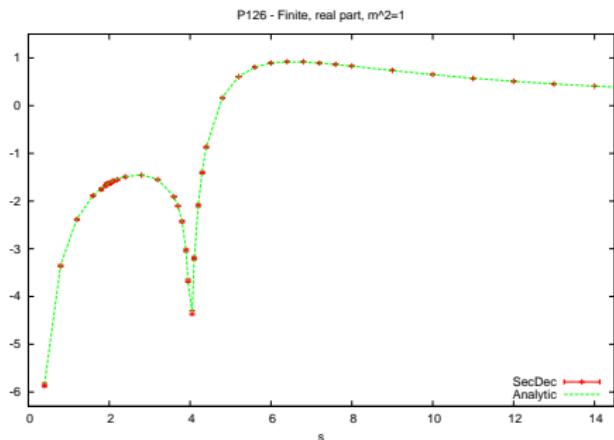
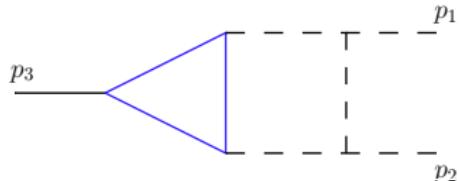


3-loop example

$$A_{9,*} = i\Gamma(1-\epsilon)^{-3}(-q^2-i\eta)^{-3-3\epsilon}(C_{-6}/\epsilon^6 + C_{-5}/\epsilon^5 + C_{-4}/\epsilon^4 + C_{-3}/\epsilon^3 + C_{-2}/\epsilon^2 + C_{-1}/\epsilon + C_0)$$

$A_{9,4}$	Analytic	SecDec	Longest time(s)	Total time(s)
C_{-6}	0.111111	0.111111	8	17
C_{-5}	0.888889	0.8889	60	154
C_{-4}	-4.65541	-4.652	529	1397
C_{-3}	-33.1607	-33.14	5705	16297
C_{-2}	-42.8359	-42.83	7879	93598
C_{-1}	117.400	117.5	15375	382138
C_0	1948.17	1948	20330	1371382

2-loop example with threshold



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backup slides

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$$\begin{aligned}N(\bar{q}) &= \sum_{i << m}^{n-1} \Delta_{ijklm}(\bar{q}) \prod_{h \neq i,j,k,\ell,m}^{n-1} D_h + \\&+ \sum_{i << \ell}^{n-1} \Delta_{ijkl}(\bar{q}) \prod_{h \neq i,j,k,\ell}^{n-1} D_h + \sum_{i << k}^{n-1} \Delta_{ijk}(\bar{q}) \prod_{h \neq i,j,k}^{n-1} D_h + \\&+ \sum_{i < j}^{n-1} \Delta_{ij}(\bar{q}) \prod_{h \neq i,j}^{n-1} D_h + \sum_i^{n-1} \Delta_i(\bar{q}) \prod_{h \neq i}^{n-1} D_h\end{aligned}$$

and compare with original numerator for

- ▶ local: comparison only for specific cuts
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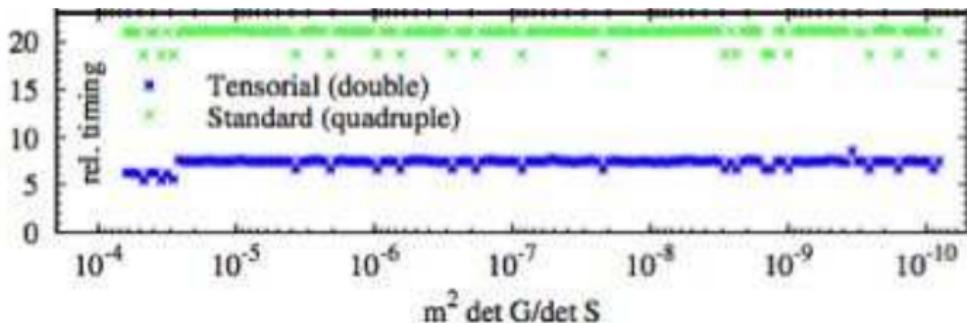
$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{N}(q) &= \sum_{r=0}^R C_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r} q_{\mu_1} \dots q_{\mu_r} \\ C_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r} q_{\mu_1} \dots q_{\mu_r} &= \sum_{(i_1, i_2, i_3, i_4) \vdash r} \hat{C}_{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4}^{(r)} \cdot (q_1)^{i_1} (q_2)^{i_2} (q_3)^{i_3} (q_4)^{i_4}\end{aligned}$$

determine the coefficients by sampling q

Tensorial reconstruction

advantages:

- ▶ tensor basis avoids numerical instabilities due to vanishing Gram determinants (as the latter occur in the reduction to a scalar basis)
- ▶ "rescue-system": unstable points will be reprocessed automatically using tensorial decomposition + tensor integrals from `golem95`



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further advantage:

- reconstructed tensor integrand can be used as input for the "standard" reduction (more efficient, as kinematic information is already stored in the tensorial coefficients, disentangles part of integrand depending on the loop momenta from dependence on kinematic invariants)
- ⇒ "hybrid method": even for stable phase space points, feeding the reconstructed tensor integrand to the reduction can improve the timings:

# Lines	Time ratio "hybrid" / standard	
N	Rank = 4	Rank = 6
1	1.3	1.6
10	1.1	1.4
100	0.51	0.85
1000	0.30	0.59
10000	0.27	0.55

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Example: massless fermion loop with two light-like and two massive legs

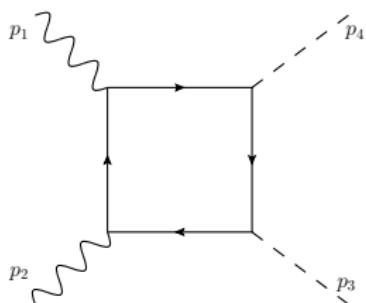
$$p_{1,2} = (E, 0, 0, \pm E)$$

$$p_{3,4} = (E, 0, \pm Q \sin \theta, \pm Q \cos \theta)$$

$$E = \sqrt{M^2 + Q^2}, \quad p_{3,4}^2 = M^2$$

$$\det G = 32E^4 Q^2 \sin^2 \theta$$

investigate limit $Q^2 \rightarrow 0$



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