

RECOLA
a generator for tree-level and one-loop
electroweak matrix elements

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- LHC running @ 13 TeV
 - ↪ electroweak corrections (EWC) \sim some 10%
enhanced by Sudakov logarithms $\log \frac{E}{M_W}$
 - integrated LHC luminosity will reach some 100 fb^{-1} (2016: 40 fb^{-1})
 - ↪ many measurements at several-per-cent level
 - ↪ typical size of EWC
 - high-precision measurements: cross-section ratios, M_W , $\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}^{\text{lept}}$
 - ↪ EWC are crucial
 - EW 2-loop corrections needed
 - Les Houches wishlist 2013 and update 2015:
LHC processes where NLO EWC (and NNLO QCD) are needed
- ⇒ automation of calculation of EWC strongly desirable

NLO QCD automation established: several (public) tools exist

tool	method	collaboration
ROCKET	generalized unitarity	Ellis et al.
BLACKHAT	generalized unitarity	Berger et al.
NJET	generalized unitarity	Badger et al.
HELAC-NLO	4-dimensional (OPP) integrand reduction	Bevilacqua et al.
MADLOOP	4-dimensional (OPP) integrand reduction	Hirschi et al.
GOSAM	d -dimensional integrand reduction	Cullen et al.
FORMCALC	d -dimensional integrand reduction	Hahn et al.
OPENLOOPS	recursion relations for “open loops”	Cascioli et al.
RECOLA	recursion relations for “open loops”	Actis et al.

crucial ingredients for reduction

- recursive calculation of amplitudes
- generalized unitarity
- reduction at integrand level
- improved reduction methods for tensor integrals

Methods for QCD can be transferred to full SM!

Complications mainly in calculation of loops:

- **more contributions** (diagrams, off-shell currents)
- **more and very different mass scales**
 ↔ numerical stability more problematic
- **more complicated renormalization** (more parameters)
- **mixing of QCD and EW contributions**
 (expansion in two couplings)
- **chiral structure of weak interactions** (treatment of γ_5)
- **more complicated treatment of unstable particles**
 (decay width = EW one-loop effect
 ⇒ gauge invariance non trivial)

Solutions exist!

Automation of EW NLO is just happening!

Tools:

tool	collaboration	published applications
GOSAM	Chiesa et al.	$pp \rightarrow W + 2 \text{ jets}$
MADGRAPH5_AMC@NLO	Frixione et al.	$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} + \{H, Z, W\}$
OPENLOOPS	Pozzorini et al.	$pp \rightarrow jj$
RECOLA	Actis et al.	$pp \rightarrow W + \{2 \text{ jets}, 3 \text{ jets}\}$
		$pp \rightarrow jj\ell^+\ell^-$
		$pp \rightarrow 4\ell$
		$pp \rightarrow e^+\nu_e\mu^-\bar{\nu}_\mu b\bar{b} (+H)$
		$pp \rightarrow e^+\nu_e\mu^+\nu_\mu jj$
		(vector-boson scattering)

This talk:

- Introduction of RECOLA
- Discussion of application of RECOLA:
top-antitop production including decays



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General form of one-loop amplitudes (free of unphysical singularities)

$$\delta\mathcal{M}^{1\text{-loop}} = \sum_j \sum_{R_j} c_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_{R_j}}^{(j, R_j, N_j)} T_{(j, R_j, N_j)}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_{R_j}} = \sum_j d^{(j, N_j)} T_{(j, 0, N_j)}$$

tensor integrals

$$T_{(j, R_j, N_j)}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_{R_j}} = \frac{(2\pi\mu)^{4-D}}{i\pi^2} \int d^D q \frac{q^{\mu_1} \dots q^{\mu_{R_j}}}{D_{j,0} \dots D_{j, N_j-1}}, \quad D_{j,a} = (q + p_{j,a})^2 - m_{j,a}^2$$

tensor coefficients

$c_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_{R_j}}^{(j, R_j, N_j)}$ free of unphysical singularities, $d^{(j, N_j)}$ involve unphysical singularities

proposal of van Hameren '09:

calculate $c_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_{R_j}}^{(j, R_j, N_j)}$ numerically in a recursive way

implemented for full Standard Model in RECOLA Actis, Denner, Hofer, Scharf, Uccirati '16
(Recursive computation of one-loop amplitudes)

evaluation of tensor integrals by COLLIER
(Complex one loop library in extended regularizations)

Denner, Dittmaier, Hofer '16

Basic building blocks of tree-level recursion:
 off-shell current of particle P with n external legs

$$w(P, \mathcal{C}, \{l_1, \dots, l_n\}) = n \cdot \text{diagram}$$

- w is a scalar, spinor or vector corresponding to P (set of numbers)
- \mathcal{C} represents the colour
- $\{l_1, \dots, l_n\}$ list of primary external legs
- off-shell currents for external legs ($n = 1$) are wave functions

$$\rightarrow \bullet = u_\lambda(p), \quad \leftarrow \bullet = \bar{u}_\lambda(p), \quad \sim \bullet = \epsilon_\lambda(p), \quad - - \bullet = 1$$

Amplitude for process with N external particles:

$$\mathcal{M} = N^{-1} \cdot \text{diagram} \times (\text{propagator of } \bar{P}_N)^{-1} \times \bullet \text{---} \bar{P}_N$$

amputate off-shell line and multiply with wave function

Recursion relation

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Diagram: A grey circle with } n \text{ incoming lines (dashed) and one outgoing line labeled } P. \\
 & = \sum_{\{i\}, \{j\}}^{i+j=n} \sum_{P_i, P_j} \text{Diagram: A purple vertex with } i \text{ incoming lines (dashed), } j \text{ incoming lines (dashed), and two outgoing lines } P_i \text{ and } P_j \text{ meeting at a yellow vertex.} \\
 & \quad + \sum_{\{i\}, \{j\}, \{k\}}^{i+j+k=n} \sum_{P_i, P_j, P_k} \text{Diagram: A purple vertex with } i \text{ incoming lines (dashed), } j \text{ incoming lines (dashed), and } k \text{ incoming lines (dashed), and three outgoing lines } P_i, P_j, \text{ and } P_k \text{ meeting at a yellow vertex.} \\
 & \text{incoming currents} \times \text{vertex} \times \text{propagator}
 \end{aligned}$$

2-leg currents: =

Recursion relation

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Diagram with } n \text{ legs and } P \text{ leg} &= \sum_{\{i\}, \{j\}}^{i+j=n} \sum_{P_i, P_j} \text{Diagram with } i \text{ legs } P_i \text{ and } j \text{ legs } P_j \text{ connected to } P \\
 &+ \sum_{\{i\}, \{j\}, \{k\}}^{i+j+k=n} \sum_{P_i, P_j, P_k} \text{Diagram with } i \text{ legs } P_i, j \text{ legs } P_j, \text{ and } k \text{ legs } P_k \text{ connected to } P
 \end{aligned}$$

incoming currents × vertex × propagator

2-leg currents:

$$\text{Diagram with 2 legs and } P \text{ leg} = \text{Diagram with 2 legs and } P \text{ leg}$$

3-leg currents:

$$\text{Diagram with 3 legs and } P \text{ leg} = \text{Diagram with 3 legs and } P \text{ leg} + \text{Diagram with 3 legs and } P \text{ leg} + \text{Diagram with 3 legs and } P \text{ leg}$$

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incoming currents \times vertex \times propagator

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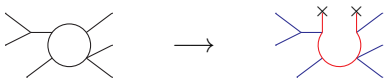
3-leg currents:

$$\text{Diagram with 3 legs and } P \text{ leg} = \text{Diagram with 2 legs and } P_i \text{ connected to } P + \text{Diagram with 1 leg and } P_i \text{ and } P_j \text{ connected to } P + \text{Diagram with 3 legs connected to } P$$

4-leg currents:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Diagram with 4 legs and } P \text{ leg} &= \text{Diagram with 3 legs and } P_i \text{ connected to } P + \text{Diagram with 2 legs and } P_i \text{ and } P_j \text{ connected to } P + \text{Diagram with 1 leg and } P_i, P_j, P_k \text{ connected to } P \\
 &+ \text{Diagram with 2 legs and } P_i \text{ and } P_j \text{ connected to } P + \text{Diagram with 1 leg and } P_i, P_j, P_k \text{ connected to } P + \text{Diagram with 4 legs connected to } P
 \end{aligned}$$

Cut loop line and consider tree diagrams with two more legs



relation can be
defined uniquely

Recursion relation for one-loop currents

$$\text{(vertex)} \times \text{(propagator)} = \sum_{\{i\}, \{j\}}^{i+j=n} \sum_{P_i, P_j} \text{tree}(i, j, P) + \sum_{\{i\}, \{j\}, \{k\}}^{i+j+k=n} \sum_{P_i, P_j, P_k} \text{tree}(i, j, k, P)$$

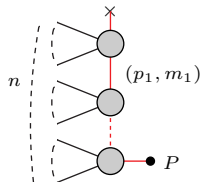
$q = \text{loop momentum}$

$$\text{loop current} = \sum_{r=0}^k a_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r}^{(k,r)} \frac{q^{\mu_1} \dots q^{\mu_r}}{\prod_{h=1}^k [(q + p_h)^2 - m_h^2]}$$

tensor coefficients computed recursively tensor integrals

Basic building blocks for one-loop recursion: one-loop off-shell currents

$$w_{i_k}(P, \mathcal{C}, \{l_1, \dots, l_n\}, \{p_1, \dots, p_k\}, \{m_1, \dots, m_k\}) =$$



- $\{p_1, \dots, p_k\}, \{m_1, \dots, m_k\}$: sequence of momenta and masses in loop propagators
- i_k multi-index representing k, r and μ_1, \dots, μ_r : $w_{i_k} = a_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r}^{(k, r)}$
- currents for the tree lines are the same as at tree level
- suitable wave functions for first and last loop line:

$$i \times \rightarrow \bullet = \psi_i, \quad i \times \leftarrow \bullet = \bar{\psi}_i, \quad i \times \text{wavy} \bullet = \epsilon_i, \quad i \times - \bullet = 1$$

cutted lines are reconnected via polarization sums

$$\sum_{i=1}^4 (\bar{\psi}_i)_\alpha (\psi_i)_\beta = \delta_{\alpha\beta}, \quad \sum_{i=1}^4 \epsilon_i^\mu \epsilon_i^\nu = \delta^{\mu\nu},$$

- coefficients $a_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r}^{(k, r)}$ of the last current equal tensor coefficients $c_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_{R_j}}^{(j, R_j, N_j)}$

Colour-flow representation Maltoni, Paul, Stelzer, Willenbrock '02

Gluon field : $\sqrt{2} A_\mu^a (\lambda^a)^i_j = (\mathcal{A}_\mu)^i_j$

“usual” gluon with colour index
 $a = 1, \dots, 8$
gluon with colour-flow i_j
 $i, j = 1, 2, 3$

Feynman rules

$$\begin{aligned}
 j \xrightarrow{p} i &= \delta_j^i \times \frac{i(\not{p} + m)}{p^2 - m^2} \\
 i_1 \xrightarrow{j_1} \mu \text{---} \nu \xrightarrow{i_2} j_2 &= i_1 \xrightarrow{j_1} j_2 \times \frac{-i g_{\mu\nu}}{p^2} = \delta_{j_2}^{i_1} \delta_{j_1}^{i_2} \times \frac{-i g_{\mu\nu}}{p^2} \\
 i_1 \xrightarrow{j_1} \bullet \xrightarrow{i_3} j_3 &= \left(i_1 \xrightarrow{j_1} j_3 - \frac{1}{N_c} i_1 \xrightarrow{j_1} j_2 \xrightarrow{i_3} j_3 \right) \times \frac{i g_s}{\sqrt{2}} \gamma^\mu \\
 &= \left(\delta_{j_3}^{i_1} \delta_{j_1}^{i_3} - \frac{1}{N_c} \delta_{j_2}^{i_1} \delta_{j_3}^{i_3} \right) \times \frac{i g_s}{\sqrt{2}} \gamma^\mu
 \end{aligned}$$

colour matrices are just products of Kronecker deltas (nontrivial structure shifted to vertices)

Structure of the amplitude

$$\mathcal{A}_{j_1, \dots, j_n}^{i_1, \dots, i_n} = \sum_{P(j_1, \dots, j_n)} \delta_{j_1}^{i_1} \cdots \delta_{j_n}^{i_n} \mathcal{A}_P,$$

- Colour-dressed amplitudes:

⇒ compute $\mathcal{A}_{j_1, \dots, j_n}^{i_1, \dots, i_n}$ for all possible colours (N_c^{2n})

squared amplitude:
$$\mathcal{M}^2 = \sum_{i_1 \dots i_n, j_1, \dots, j_n} (\mathcal{A}_{j_1 \dots j_n}^{i_1 \dots i_n})^* \mathcal{A}_{j_1 \dots j_n}^{i_1 \dots i_n}$$

requires colour-dressed off-shell currents

- Structure-dressed amplitudes:

⇒ compute \mathcal{A}_P for all possible P ($n!$)

squared amplitude:
$$\mathcal{M}^2 = \sum_{P, P'} \mathcal{A}_P^* C_{PP'} \mathcal{A}_{P'},$$

$C_{PP'}$ are trivial
polynomials in N_c

requires structure-dressed off-shell currents

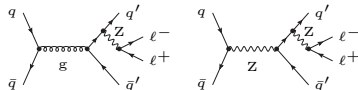
efficiently obtained in recursive procedure

- Full Standard Model (QCD + EW)
 - tree level and one-loop amplitudes
 - Feynman rules for counter terms Denner '93
 - Feynman rules for rational terms (R_2) Garzelli, Malamos, Pittau '10
- complex-mass scheme for unstable particles
- mass- and dimensional regularization supported for IR singularities
- renormalization
 - EW sector: on-shell renormalization
 different options for renormalization of α (α_{G_μ} , $\alpha(0)$, $\alpha(M_Z)$)
 - α_s : $\overline{\text{MS}}$ renormalization (variable and fixed flavour schemes)
- selection of resonances, e.g. $qg \rightarrow qgZ \rightarrow qg\ell^+\ell^-$
- selection of powers of α_s at matrix-element or cross-section level

e.g. matrix element for $q\bar{q} \rightarrow q'\bar{q}'\ell^+\ell^-$:

LO: $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s\alpha)$ and $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^2)$

NLO: $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2\alpha)$, $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s\alpha^2)$ and $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^2)$



- running of α_s , dynamical scale choice supported
- NLO amplitudes for specific helicities and colour structures
- colour- and spin-correlated amplitudes for dipole subtraction
- numerical check of cancellation of UV divergences possible
- fast, purely numerical Fortran code, low memory usage
- optimisations
 - calculation of colour structures
 - recalculation of currents for different helicity configurations avoided
 - helicity conservation for massless fermions used
- external library for tensor integrals needed \Rightarrow COLLIER

RECOLA 1.0 has been published:

- paper/manual: [arXiv:1605.01090](https://arxiv.org/abs/1605.01090) to appear in *Comput.Phys.Commun.*
- code: <https://recola.hepforge.org/>

Matrix-element generator for theories **Beyond the Standard Model**
 generalization of RECOLA 1.0, under development J.N. Lang

Input: **RECOLA model file** with Feynman rules for

- usual Feynman rules
- counter terms in specific renormalization scheme(s)
- rational terms
- rules for recursive construction of off-shell currents

Features in addition to those of RECOLA 1.0:

- **Background-Field gauge**
- R_ξ -gauge

First application: Two-Higgs-Doublet model, Higgs-singlet extension of SM

$$pp \rightarrow Hff' \text{ and } H \rightarrow 4f$$

REnormalization in Python aT 1 Loop J.N. Lang

Toolchain: PYTHON, FORM, RECOLA
to generate a RECOLA model file

- Input: usual Feynman rules in UFO format Degrande et al. '12
(Universal FeynRules Output)
- Output:
 - complete RECOLA model file with optimised FORTRAN code for recursive rules
(vectorized, symmetrized, common subexpressions)
 - FORM expressions that allow RECOLA 2.0 to generate FORM output for amplitudes
- applicable to renormalizable theories and effective theories
- supported renormalization schemes:
 - consistent renormalization of tadpoles Denner et al. '16
 - on-shell, \overline{MS} , MOM for 2-point functions
 - \overline{MS} renormalization for n -point functions ($n > 2$)
 - fixed-flavour scheme for strong coupling
 - $\alpha(0)$, G_μ scheme for EW coupling
 - specific renormalization schemes for 2-Higgs-Doublet Model

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evaluation of tensor integrals by COLLIER Denner, Dittmaier, Hofer, in preparation
(Complex one loop library in extended regularizations)

Different methods used depending on number N of propagators

- $N = 1, 2$: explicit analytical expressions (numerically stable)
- $N = 3, 4$: exploit Lorentz covariance

different methods used depending on kinematics

- standard Passarino–Veltman (PV) reduction Passarino, Veltman '79
- stable expansions in exceptional phase-space regions (small Gram determinants)

Denner, Dittmaier '05

(see also R.K.Ellis et al. '05; Binoth et al. '05; Ferroglia et al. '02)

⇒ reduction $T^{N,R} \rightarrow T^{N,0}, T^{N-1,R'} \rightarrow T^{0\dots N,0}$

- $N \geq 5$: exploit 4-dimensionality of space-time

⇒ direct reduction of $T^{N,R} \rightarrow T^{N-1,R-1}$ (free of inverse Gram det.)

Melrose '65; Denner, Dittmaier '02,'05; Binoth et al. '05; Diakonidis et al. '08,'09

⇒ fast and stable numerical reduction algorithm

Basic scalar integrals A_0, B_0, C_0, D_0 from explicit analytical expressions

't Hooft, Veltman '79; Beenakker, Denner '90; Denner, Nierste, Scharf '91; Ellis, Zanderighi '08; Denner, Dittmaier '11

- **tensor integrals** for **arbitrary** number of external momenta N (tested in physical processes up to $N = 9$)
- various **expansion methods** for exceptional phase-space points (to **arbitrary order** in expansion parameter)
- **mass- and dimensional regularization** supported for IR singularities
- **complex masses** supported (unstable particles)
- **cache-system** to avoid recalculation of identical integrals
- output: coefficients $T_{0\dots 0i_1\dots i_k}^N$ or tensors $T^{N,\mu_1\dots\mu_R}$
- **two independent implementations** \Rightarrow checks during run possible
- **error estimates** for tensor coefficients and tensor integrals
- **complete set of one-loop scalar integrals for scattering processes**

COLLIER used in matrix-element generators

- RECOLA Actis et al. '12, '16
- OPENLOOPS Cascioli, Maierhöfer, Pozzorini '11
- MADLOOP Hirschi et al. '11

COLLIER 1.0 has been published:

- paper/manual:
arXiv:1604.06792, Comput.Phys.Commun. 212 (2017) 220
- code: <https://collier.hepforge.org/>

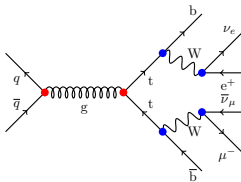


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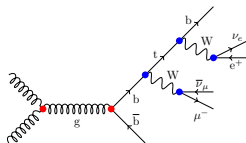
Study of top-pair production very important at LHC

- large cross section \Rightarrow precise measurements possible
- heaviest particle of SM \Rightarrow window to new physics

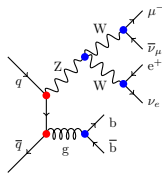
LO cross section for $pp \rightarrow e^+ \nu_e \mu \bar{\nu}_\mu b \bar{b}$: $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^2 \alpha^4)$



two resonant tops



one resonant top



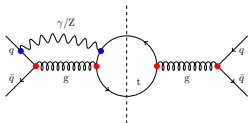
no resonant top

- EW contribution of $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^6)$ for $q\bar{q}$ channel neglected.
- photon-induced process $q\gamma \rightarrow e^+ \nu_e \mu \bar{\nu}_\mu b \bar{b}$ of $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S \alpha^5)$ included

- **NLO QCD for off-shell top quarks:** Melnikov, Schulze '09; Bevilacqua et al. '10; Denner et al. '10, '12; Frederix '13; Campbell et al. '12, '16
- **NLO EW for on shell top quarks:** Beenakker et al. '94, Bernreuther et al. '06, '08, '10, '12; Kühn et al. '05, '06, '13; Hollik, Kollar '07; Hollik, Pagani '11; Pagani et al. '16
- **NNLO QCD: (on-shell top quarks)** Czakon et al. '13, '16
- **Resummation: (soft and small-mass logarithms to NNLL)** Beneke et al. '10, '11; Czakon et al. '09; Ahrens et al. '10, Kidonakis '09, '10; Pecjak et al. '16
- **NLO QCD matched to parton showers:** Frixione et al. '03, 07; Kardos et al '11, '13; Alioli et al. '11; Cascioli et al. '13 Höche et al. '14; Garzelli et al. '14; Campbell et al. '14; Ježo et al. '16

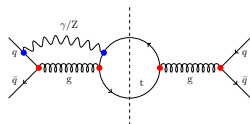
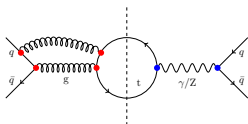
New: NLO EW for off-shell top quarks

EW corrections to LO “QCD cross section”: $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2 \alpha^5)$

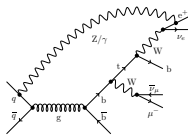
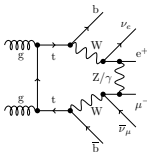


(decay products of top quarks)
(suppressed in diagrams)

QCD corrections to LO “QCD–EW interference”: $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2 \alpha^5)$ not separable



octagon and heptagon diagrams



- all terms of $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2 \alpha^5)$ included
- terms of $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s \alpha^6)$, $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^7)$ neglected
- on-shell renormalization scheme
- G_μ scheme for electromagnetic coupling:

$$\alpha_{G_\mu} = \frac{\sqrt{2}G_\mu M_W^2}{\pi} \left(1 - \frac{M_W^2}{M_Z^2} \right)$$

absorbs running of α to EW scale and some universal corrections $\propto m_t^2$

- complex-mass scheme for top-quark and gauge-boson resonances

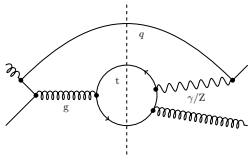
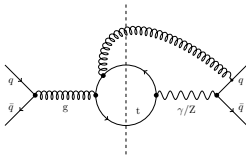
Denner, Dittmaier, Roth, Wackerroth, Wieders '99, '05

complex poles: $\mu_t = \sqrt{m_t^2 - im_t \Gamma_t}$, $\mu_W^2 = M_W^2 - iM_W \Gamma_W$
 \Rightarrow complex EW mixing angle

- matrix elements calculated with **RECOLA** and **COLLIER**
- 't Hooft–Feynman gauge

Contributions to σ in $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2 \alpha^5)$

- real photon emission from LO QCD contributions
- real gluon emission in QCD–EW interferences



(decay products of
top quarks
suppressed in
diagrams)

colour structure \Rightarrow only initial–final-state interference

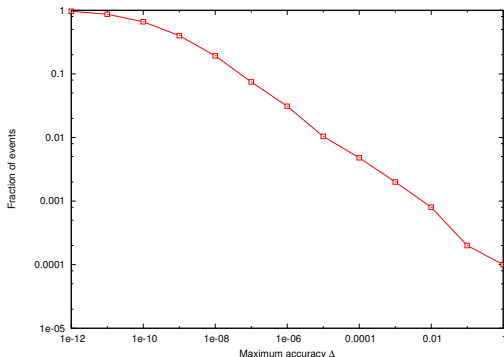
soft and collinear singularities

- Catani–Seymour dipole subtraction Catani, Seymour '96; Dittmaier '99
- initial-state collinear singularities cancelled by $\overline{\text{MS}}$ redefinition of PDFs
- recombination of collinear parton–photon and lepton–photon pairs (jet clustering)
 \Rightarrow cancellation of singularities from collinear photon emission

Phase-space integration with multi-channel Monte Carlo MOCANLO Feger

- **Tree-level matrix elements and LO hadronic cross section**
 successfully compared with MG5@NLO *Alwall et al. '14*
- **IR-singularities, Monte Carlo integration**
 - variation of α parameter in subtraction terms *Nagy, Trócsányi '98*
 - variation of technical cuts
 - variation of IR scale
- **One-loop matrix elements**
 - two independent libraries within COLLIER
 - comparison against double-pole approximation
 - check of Ward identity for matrix elements with external gluons

Numerical check of Ward identity for $gg \rightarrow e^+ \nu_e \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu b \bar{b}$
(polarization vector of gluon replaced by normalized momentum p^μ/p_0)



$$\Delta = \frac{\text{Re } \mathcal{M}_1(\epsilon \rightarrow p/p_0) \mathcal{M}_0^*}{\text{Re } \mathcal{M}_0^* \mathcal{M}_1}$$

- typical accuracy:
 $10^{-8} - 10^{-10}$
- agreement worse than
 10^{-3} for less than
0.02% of points

⇒ successful check of 8-point functions in COLLIER

- **massless bottom quarks** (0.8% effect in our setup)
 \leftrightarrow cuts needed to avoid collinear bottom quarks
- diagonal quark mixing matrix
- PDFs: `NNPDF23_nlo_as_0119_qed` Ball et al. '13
- bottom PDFs neglected (0.01% contribution)
- renormalization and factorization scales: $\mu_R = m_t = \mu_F$
- jet clustering: **anti- k_T algorithm** with $\Delta R = 0.4$
 Cacciari, Salam, Soyez '08
- **cuts:**

$$\text{b jets: } p_{T,b} > 25 \text{ GeV}, \quad |y_b| < 2.5$$

$$\text{charged leptons: } p_{T,\ell} > 20 \text{ GeV}, \quad |y_\ell| < 2.5$$

$$\text{missing transverse momentum: } p_{T,\text{miss}} > 20 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\text{b-jet-b-jet distance: } \Delta R_{bb} > 0.4$$

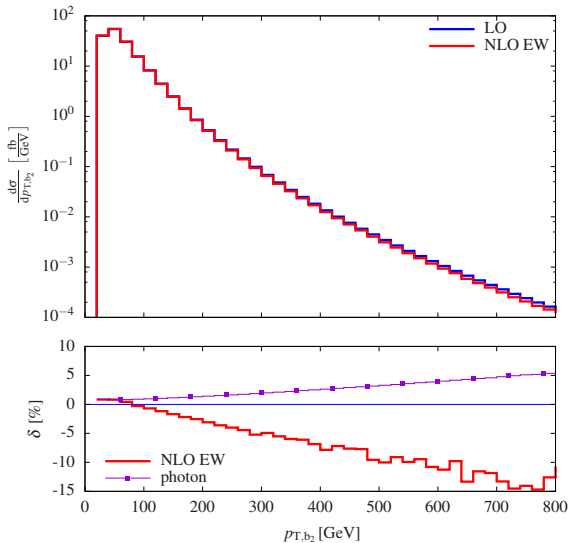
Ch.	σ_{LO} [fb]	$\sigma_{\text{NLO EW}}$ [fb]	δ [%]
gg	2824.2(2)	2834.2(3)	0.35
$q\bar{q}$	375.29(1)	377.18(6)	0.50
$gq(/q\bar{q})$		0.259(4)	
γg	27.930(1)		
pp	3199.5(2)	3211.7(3)	0.38

- Cross section dominated by gg channel
- γg channel $\lesssim 1\%$
- **small positive EW corrections**

(due to the choice of the top width including EW corrections in LO) must subtract twice the EW corrections to the top width (1.3%) to compare with on-shell calculations

⇒ **negative EW corrections for on-shell top quarks: -2.2%**

on-shell results: $-1\% \dots -2\%$ **Pagani et al.** ⇒ **agreement within 1%**

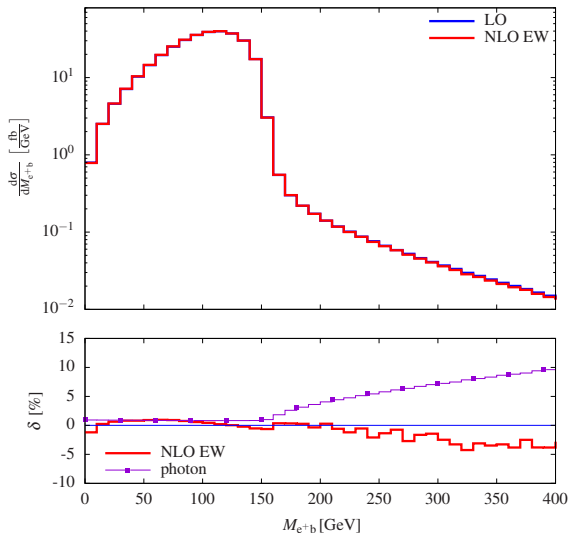


Sudakov logarithms \rightarrow
-15% EW corrections

Sizeable photon
contributions \rightarrow +6%

Pagani '16

(more recent γ PDFs
yield smaller effects)



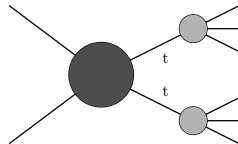
EW corrections of
−5% in off-shell region

Sizeable photon
contributions \rightarrow +10%
(more recent γ PDFs
yield smaller effects)

Leading order:

$$M_{\text{LO,DPA}}^{\text{gg} \rightarrow \text{t}\bar{\text{t}} \rightarrow 6f} = \sum_{\lambda_t, \lambda_{\bar{t}}} \frac{[\mathcal{M}_{\text{LO}}^{\text{gg} \rightarrow \text{t}\bar{\text{t}}}(\lambda_t, \lambda_{\bar{t}}) \mathcal{M}_{\text{LO}}^{\text{t} \rightarrow 3f}(\lambda_t) \mathcal{M}_{\text{LO}}^{\bar{\text{t}} \rightarrow 3f}(\lambda_{\bar{t}})]_{\text{on-shell}}}{(p_t^2 - m_t^2 + im_t \Gamma_t)(p_{\bar{t}}^2 - m_t^2 + im_t \Gamma_t)}$$

- **only contributions with two resonant tops**
 \Rightarrow dominant contribution
- momenta in numerator projected on shell
 \Rightarrow **gauge invariance**

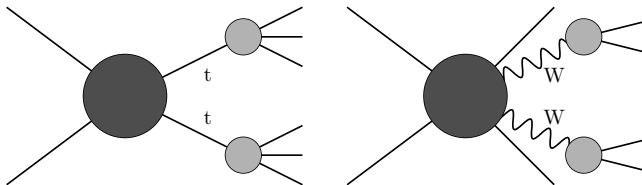


NLO:

- **factorizable corrections:** corrections to production or decay matrix elements
- **non-factorizable corrections:** IR-singular corrections connecting production and decay \Rightarrow universal correction factors

Denner et al. '00; Accomando et al. '04 ; Dittmaier, Schwan '15

- DPA applied only to squared matrix element for (subtracted) virtual corrections
- leading order and real corrections treated exactly
- phase-space integration treated exactly
- two different DPAs for resonant $t\bar{t}$ or W^+W^-



two resonant W bosons

\Rightarrow all contributions with two resonant tops and most other included!

- naive error estimate: $\mathcal{O}(\Gamma/M) \times (\alpha/s_w^2) \times \log(\dots) \sim \mathcal{O}(0.1\%)$

LO: WW DPA (-0.6%) better than tt DPA (-2.9%) ($\Gamma_t/m_t \sim 0.8\%$)

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gg	2808.4(6)	-0.56	2738.8(2)	-3.0
$q\bar{q}$	372.90(1)	-0.64	368.82(1)	-2.2
pp	3181.3(5)	-0.57	3107.6(2)	-2.9

$$\delta^{\text{DPA}} = \sigma^{\text{DPA}} / \sigma^{\text{full}} - 1$$

NLO: WW DPA (-0.04%) equally good as tt DPA (0.07%)
 ($(\alpha/s_w^2) \times \Gamma_t/m_t \sim 0.03\%$)

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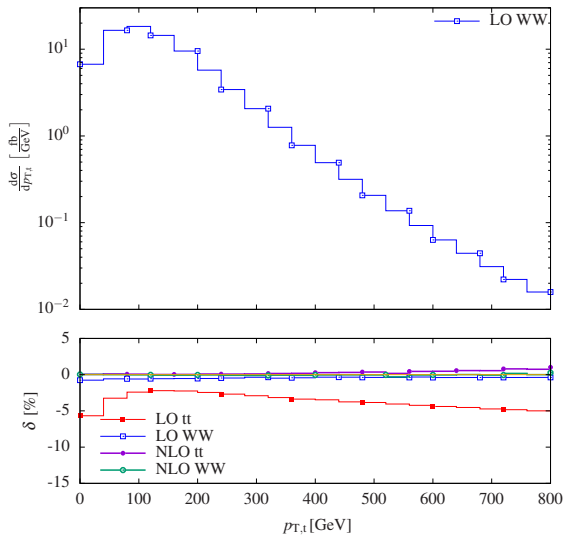
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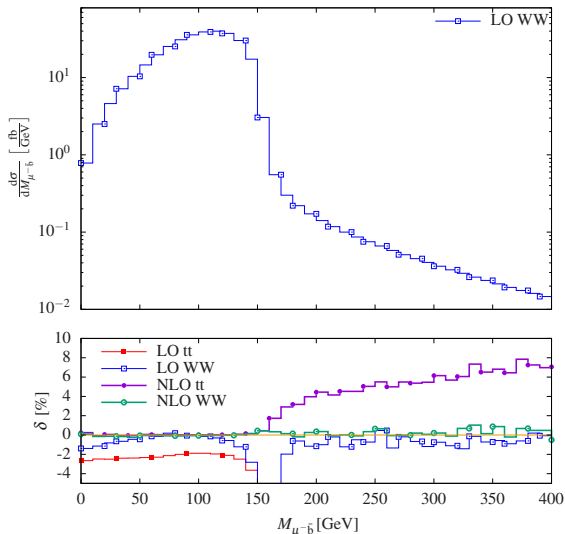
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Both DPAs work well
for top-dominated
observables
deviation similar as for
integrated cross
section

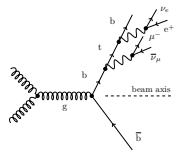
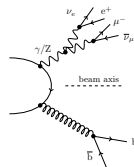
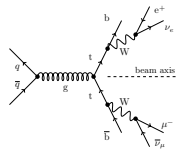
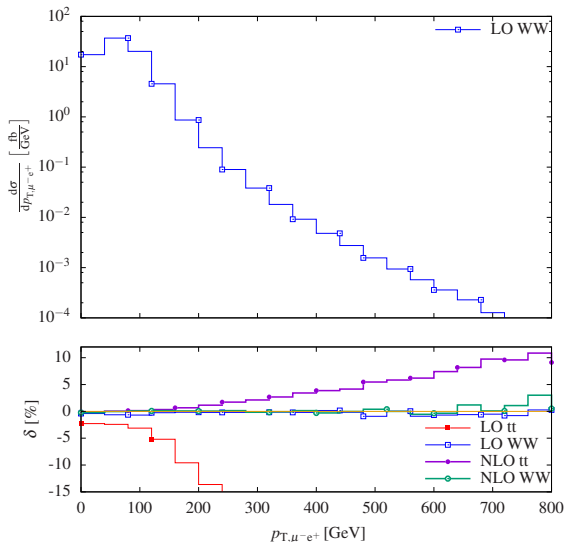


tt DPA is failing for
off-shell top quarks

large deviation of WW
DPA above threshold:

$\Gamma_W = 0$ in DPA

\Rightarrow faster decrease



tt DPA is failing where 0/1-top resonance contributions become sizeable



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- Electroweak corrections relevant for many LHC processes
importance increases with energy and luminosity
- General tools for their calculation:
 - **COLLIER**: fast and numerically stable calculation of one-loop tensor integrals [arXiv:1604.06792](https://arxiv.org/abs/1604.06792)
 - **RECOLA**: recursive generator for tree-level and one-loop amplitudes in the full Standard Model [arXiv:1605.01090](https://arxiv.org/abs/1605.01090)
- Electroweak corrections to off-shell top-antitop production
[arXiv:1607.05571](https://arxiv.org/abs/1607.05571)
 - full NLO EW corrections calculated for $pp \rightarrow e^+ \nu_e \mu \bar{\nu}_\mu b \bar{b}$
 - DPA for WW provides very good approximation
DPA for tt fails where on-shell top quarks do not dominate
 - EW corrections below one per cent for integrated cross section
 - EW corrections can reach -15% in distributions
- Recent extension: Electroweak corrections to off-shell top-antitop production in association with a Higgs boson [arXiv:1612.07138](https://arxiv.org/abs/1612.07138)

6 Backup

General form of one-loop amplitudes

$$\delta\mathcal{M}^{1\text{-loop}} = \sum_j \sum_{R_j} c_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_{R_j}}^{(j, R_j, N_j)} T_{(j, R_j, N_j)}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_{R_j}} + \delta\mathcal{M}_{\text{CT}}^{1\text{-loop}} + \delta\mathcal{M}_{\text{R2}}^{1\text{-loop}}$$

- loop amplitudes have to be renormalized

⇒ add counter terms $\delta\mathcal{M}_{\text{CT}}^{1\text{-loop}}$

- calculated via tree-level matrix elements with special Feynman rules counter-term vertices appear only once in each diagram

- loop amplitude is calculated numerically in $D = 4$ dimensions indices μ_i are 4-dimensional!

⇒ add rational part $\delta\mathcal{M}_{\text{R2}}^{1\text{-loop}}$ Ossola, Papadopoulos, Pittau '08

- results from UV poles of loop amplitudes

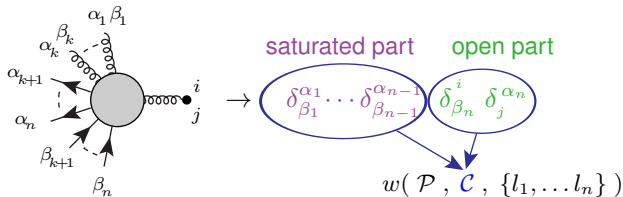
$$\underbrace{c_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_{R_j}}^{(j, R_j, N_j)}}_{D-4 \text{ part}} \underbrace{T_{(j, R_j, N_j)}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_{R_j}}}_{1/(D-4) \text{ part}} = \frac{\mathcal{O}(D-4)}{(D-4)} = \text{finite}$$
- result only from UV-divergent vertex functions accounted for by special Feynman rules similar to counter terms
Draggotis, Garzelli, Malamos, Papadopoulos, Pittau '09 –'10

Colour structures: product of Kronecker δ s

external currents:

$$\beta \rightarrow \bullet i = u_\lambda(p) \delta_\beta^i \quad \alpha \leftarrow \bullet j = \bar{u}_\lambda(p) \delta_j^\alpha \quad \alpha \overleftrightarrow{\text{gluon}} \bullet j = \epsilon_\lambda(p) \left(\delta_\beta^i \delta_j^\alpha - \frac{1}{N_c} \delta_j^i \delta_\beta^\alpha \right)$$

α, β : colour indices of external particles, i, j “open” colour indices
colour structure of off-shell current:



with all possible
permutations of

$$\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n, j$$

recursion procedure:

- saturated parts of incoming currents multiply
- open parts of incoming currents are contracted

optimization: compute currents differing just by colour structure only once
colour structures involving δ_j^i do not contribute for j gluon

- **Memory** for executables, object files and libraries: **negligible**
- **RAM**: **less than 2 Gbyte** also for complicated processes
- **CPU time** (processor Intel(R) Core(TM) i5-2450 CPU 2.50 GHz):
 - QCD corrections ($W^+ \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu_\ell$, $W^- \rightarrow \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell$, colour and helicity summed)

Process	t_{gen}	t_{TIs}	t_{TCs}
$u\bar{d} \rightarrow W^+ gg$	2.4 s	4.0 ms	1.1 ms
$u\bar{d} \rightarrow W^+ ggg$	15 s	67 ms	45 ms
$u\bar{d} \rightarrow W^+ W^- gg$	76 s	83 ms	16 ms

- EW+QCD corrections (colour and helicity summed)

Process	t_{gen}	t_{TIs}	t_{TCs}
$u\bar{d} \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^- gg$	3.2 s	27 ms	25 ms
$u\bar{d} \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^- u\bar{u}$	5.0 s	68 ms	35 ms
$u\bar{d} \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^- ggg$	44 s	331 ms	684 ms
$u\bar{d} \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^- u\bar{u}g$	50 s	835 ms	632 ms

checks

- many matrix elements at LO and NLO QCD+EW for $2 \rightarrow \{2, 3(, 4)\}$ processes checked against **POLE** *Accomando, Denner, Meier '06*
- many matrix elements at LO and NLO-QCD for $2 \rightarrow \{2, 3, 4\}$ processes checked against **OPENLOOPS** *Cascioli, Maierhöfer, Pozzorini '11*
- $pp \rightarrow \nu_e e^+ \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu b \bar{b}$ at LHC at NLO QCD (off-shell $t\bar{t}$ production) cross-section and distributions checked against *Denner, Dittmaier, Kallweit, Pozzorini '12*

- $pp \rightarrow Z + 2 \text{jets}$ (partonic processes $gq \rightarrow Zgq$)
 EW NLO corrections **Actis, Denner, Hofer, Scharf, Uccirati '13**
- $pp \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^- + 2 \text{jets}$ ($gq \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^- gq$, $q\bar{q} \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^- q' \bar{q}'$)
 EW NLO, $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2 \alpha^2 \times \alpha)$ contributions **Denner, Hofer, Scharf, Uccirati '14**
- $pp \rightarrow \nu_\mu \mu^+ e^- \bar{\nu}_e, \mu^+ \mu^- e^- e^+, \mu^+ \mu^- \mu^+ \mu^-$
 (off-shell WW and ZZ production)
 EW NLO, $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^4 \times \alpha)$ contributions **Biedermann et al. '16**
- $pp \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu_{\ell j j b \bar{b} b \bar{b}}$ ($gg \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu_{\ell} q' \bar{q}'' b \bar{b} b \bar{b}$, $q\bar{q} \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu_{\ell} q' \bar{q}'' b \bar{b} b \bar{b}$)
 full LO matrix element including all interferences (2 \rightarrow 8 process)
 $\mathcal{O}((\alpha_s^3 \alpha + \alpha_s^2 \alpha^2 + \alpha_s \alpha^3 + \alpha^4)^2)$ (off-shell $t\bar{t}H$ production)
Denner, Feger, Scharf '14
- $pp \rightarrow e^+ \nu_e \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu b \bar{b} H$ ($t\bar{t}H$ production with off-shell top quarks)
 QCD NLO, $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2 \alpha^5 \times \alpha_s)$, (2 \rightarrow 7 process) **Denner, Feger '15**
 EW NLO, $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2 \alpha^5 \times \alpha)$ **Denner, Lang, Pellen, Uccirati '16**
- $pp \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu_{\ell j j b \bar{b}}$ (off-shell $t\bar{t}$ production)
 EW NLO, $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2 \alpha^4 \times \alpha)$, (2 \rightarrow 6 process) **Denner, Pellen '16**
- $pp \rightarrow e^+ \nu_e \mu^+ \nu_\mu j j$ ($W^+ W^-$ scattering)
 EW NLO, $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^6 \times \alpha)$, (2 \rightarrow 6 process) **Biedermann, Denner, Pellen '16**

Passarino–Veltman reduction

covariant decomposition of tensor integrals:

$$T^{N, \mu_1 \dots \mu_R} = \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_k} T_{0 \dots 0}^{N, R} \underbrace{\}_{i_1 \dots i_k}_{R-k} \underbrace{\{g \dots g p_{i_1} \dots p_{i_k}\}}_{(R-k)/2}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_R} \sim \int d^D q \frac{q^{\mu_1} \dots q^{\mu_R}}{D_{j,0} \dots D_{j,N_j-1}}$$

contract tensor integral with external momenta p_i^μ and metric tensor $g^{\mu\nu}$ and use

$$\begin{aligned} 2p_i^\mu q_\mu &= -f_i + D_i - D_0, & f_i &= p_i^2 - m_i^2 + m_0^2 \\ g^{\mu\nu} q_\mu q_\nu &= m_0^2 + D_0 \end{aligned}$$

cancel denominators and insert covariant decomposition

⇒ recursive solution for tensor coefficients:

$$T^{N,R} = \frac{1}{\Delta} \left[T^{N,R-1}, T^{N,R-2}, T^{N-1} \right]$$

reduction to lower-rank and lower- N integrals ⇒ scalar integrals

Gram determinant: $\Delta = \det(Z)$ with $Z_{ij} = 2p_i p_j$, $Z^{-1} = \tilde{Z}/\Delta$

$$2(D + R - N - 1) \underbrace{T_{00i_3\dots i_R}^N}_{\text{rank } R} = 2m_0^2 \underbrace{T_{i_3\dots i_R}^N}_{\text{rank } R-2} + \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} f_n \underbrace{T_{ni_3\dots i_R}^N}_{\text{rank } R-1} + (T^{N-1} \text{ terms})$$

$i_1 \neq 0$:

$$\Delta \underbrace{T_{i_1\dots i_R}^N}_{\text{rank } R} = \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} \tilde{Z}_{i_1 n} \left[-f_n \underbrace{T_{i_2\dots i_R}^N}_{\text{rank } R-1} - 2 \sum_{r=2}^R \delta_{ni_r} \underbrace{T_{00i_2\dots i_r\dots i_R}^N}_{\text{rank } R} + (T^{N-1} \text{ terms}) \right]$$

↪ recursive calculation of $T_{i_1\dots i_R}^N$ from scalar integral T_0^N and $T_{i_2\dots i_R}^{N-1}$:

$$T_0^N = \text{basis integral} \rightarrow T_{i_1}^N \rightarrow T_{i_1 i_2}^N \rightarrow T_{i_1 i_2 i_3}^N \rightarrow \dots$$

- explicit D requires expansion of $T_{00\dots}^N$ around $D = 4$
 - UV-poles produce finite polynomial terms (rational terms)
 - $[\mathcal{O}(D-4)/(D-4)]$
 - easily obtained from recursion relations
 - (no Δ^{-1} since $T_{i_1\dots i_R}^N$ finite for $i_j \neq 0$)
 - $T_{00\dots}^N$ do not involve IR poles \Rightarrow no IR rational terms
 - reduction valid for any IR regularization
- appearance of inverse Gram determinant Δ
 - \Rightarrow potential instabilities for $\Delta \rightarrow 0$ in exceptional points

$$\text{PV: } T^{N,R} = \frac{1}{\Delta} [T^{N,R-1}, T^{N,R-2}, T^{N-1}]$$

small Gram determinant: $\Delta \rightarrow 0$

- finite $T^{N,R}$ as sum of $1/\Delta$ -singular terms
 - spurious singularities cancel to give $\mathcal{O}(\Delta)/\Delta$ -result
 - numerical determination of $T^{N,R}$ becomes unstable
- $T^{N,R-1}, T^{N,R-2}, T^{N-1}$ become linearly dependent
 - ⇒ scalar integrals D_0, C_0, B_0, A_0 become linearly dependent
 - ⇒ $\mathcal{O}(\Delta)/\Delta$ -instabilities intrinsic to all methods relying on the full set of basis integrals D_0, C_0, B_0, A_0
- solution: choose appropriate set of base functions depending on phase-space point

$$\Delta T^{N,R+1} = [T^{N,R}, T^{N,R-1}, T^{N-1}] \quad (1)$$

- exploit linear dependence of $T^{N,R}, T^{N,R-1}, T^{N-1}$ for $\Delta = 0$ to determine $T^{N,R}$ up to terms of $\mathcal{O}(\Delta)$
- calculate $T^{N,R+1}$ from $\Delta T^{N,R+2} = [T^{N,R+1}, T^{N,R}, T^{N-1}]$ in the same way
- use $T^{N,R+1}$ in (1) to compute $\mathcal{O}(\Delta)$ in $T^{N,R}$
- higher orders in Δ iteratively:
 $\mathcal{O}(\Delta^k)$ of $T^{N,R}$ requires $T^{N,R+k}$ and thus T^{N-1} up to rank $R+k$
- basis of scalar integrals effectively reduced (e.g. D_0 expressed by C_0 's)

⇒ stable results for $T^{N,R}$ for small Δ

Expansion breaks down in certain regions of phase space

⇒ alternative expansions

$$T^{N, \mu_1 \dots \mu_R} = \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_k} \underbrace{T_{0 \dots 0 i_1 \dots i_k}^{N, R}}_{R-k} \left\{ \underbrace{g \dots g}_{(R-k)/2} p_{i_1} \dots p_{i_k} \right\}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_R}$$

COLLIER:

- output: tensor coefficients $\underbrace{T_{0 \dots 0 i_1 \dots i_k}^{N, R}}_{R-k}$ or tensor integrals $T^{N, \mu_1 \dots \mu_R}$
- **efficient algorithm** to construct tensors from coefficients for arbitrary N, P via **recursive calculation** of tensor structures
- for $N \geq 6$: **direct reduction** at tensor level

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc}
 B_{i_1 \dots i_P} & \longrightarrow & C_{i_1 \dots i_P} & \longrightarrow & D_{i_1 \dots i_P} & \longrightarrow & E_{i_1 \dots i_P} & \longrightarrow & F_{i_1 \dots i_P} & \longrightarrow & \dots \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \dots \\
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 \end{array}$$

of tensor coefficients \geq # of tensor elements for $N \geq 5!$