

# Improvements of the sector-improved residue subtraction scheme

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# NNLO subtraction schemes

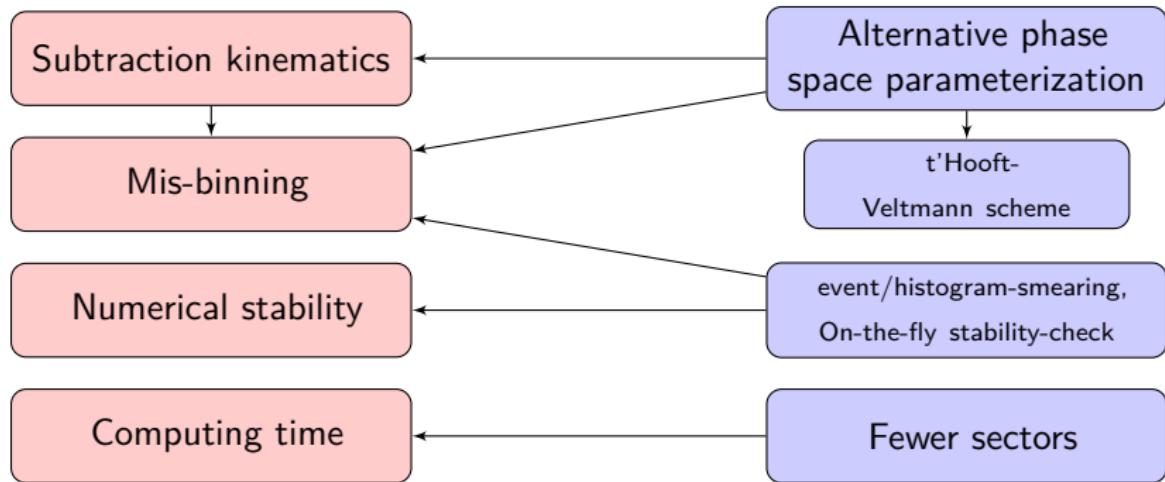
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## Handling real radiation contribution in NNLO calculations cancellation of infrared divergences

increasing number of available NNLO calculations with a variety of schemes

- **qT-slicing** [Catani, Grazzini, '07], [Ferrera, Grazzini, Tramontano, '11], [Catani, Cieri, DeFlorian, Ferrera, Grazzini, '12],  
[Gehrmann, Grazzini, Kallweit, Maierhofer, Manteuffel, Rathlev, Torre, '14-'15], [Bonciani, Catani, Grazzini, Sargsyan, Torre, '14-'15]
- **N-jettiness slicing** [Gaunt, Stahlhofen, Tackmann, Walsh, '15], [Boughezal, Focke, Giele, Liu, Petriello, '15-'16],  
[Boughezal, Campell, Ellis, Focke, Giele, Liu, Petriello, '15], [Campell, Ellis, Williams, '16]
- **Antenna subtraction** [Gehrman, GehrmanDeRidder, Glover, Heinrich, '05-'08], [Weinzierl, '08, '09],  
[Currie, Gehrman, GehrmanDeRidder, Glover, Pires, '13-'17], [Bernreuther, Bogner, Dekkers, '11, '14],  
[Abelof, (Dekkers), GehrmanDeRidder, '11-'15], [Abelof, GehrmanDeRidder, Maierhofer, Pozzorini, '14], [Chen, Gehrman, Glover, Jaquier, '15]
- **Colorful subtraction** [DelDuca, Somogyi, Troscanyi, '05-'13], [DelDuca, Duhr, Somogyi, Tramontano, Troscanyi, '15]
- **Sector-improved residue subtraction (STRIPPER)** [Czakon, '10, '11],  
[Czakon, Fiedler, Mitov, '13, '15], [Czakon, Heymes, '14] [Czakon, Fiedler, Heymes, Mitov, '16, '17],  
[Boughezal, Caola, Melnikov, Petriello, Schulze, '13, '14], [Boughezal, Melnikov, Petriello, '11], [Caola, Czernecki, Liang, Melnikov, Szafron, '14],  
[Bruchseifer, Caola, Melnikov, '13-'14], [Caola, Melnikov, Röntsch, '17]

# How to improve the STRIPPER subtraction scheme?



Motto

Optimizing by minimizing

# Sector-decomposition

# Formulation

Hadronic cross section:

$$\sigma_{h_1 h_2}(P_1, P_2) = \sum \iint_0^1 dx_1 dx_2 f_{a/h_1}(x_1, \mu_F^2) f_{b/h_2}(x_2, \mu_F^2) \hat{\sigma}_{ab}(x_1 P_1, x_2 P_2; \alpha_S(\mu_R^2), \mu_R^2, \mu_F^2)$$

partonic cross section:

$$\hat{\sigma}_{ab} = \hat{\sigma}_{ab}^{(0)} + \hat{\sigma}_{ab}^{(1)} + \hat{\sigma}_{ab}^{(2)} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^3)$$

Contributions with different final state multiplicities and convolutions:

$$\hat{\sigma}_{ab}^{(2)} = \hat{\sigma}_{ab}^{\text{RR}} + \hat{\sigma}_{ab}^{\text{RV}} + \hat{\sigma}_{ab}^{\text{VV}} + \hat{\sigma}_{ab}^{C2} + \hat{\sigma}_{ab}^{C1}$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_{ab}^{\text{RR}} = \frac{1}{2\hat{s}} \int d\Phi_{n+2} \left\langle \mathcal{M}_{n+2}^{(0)} \middle| \mathcal{M}_{n+2}^{(0)} \right\rangle F_{n+2}$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_{ab}^{\text{RV}} = \frac{1}{2\hat{s}} \int d\Phi_{n+1} 2\text{Re} \left\langle \mathcal{M}_{n+1}^{(0)} \middle| \mathcal{M}_{n+1}^{(1)} \right\rangle F_{n+1}$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_{ab}^{\text{VV}} = \frac{1}{2\hat{s}} \int d\Phi_n \left( 2\text{Re} \left\langle \mathcal{M}_n^{(0)} \middle| \mathcal{M}_n^{(2)} \right\rangle + \left\langle \mathcal{M}_n^{(1)} \middle| \mathcal{M}_n^{(1)} \right\rangle \right) F_n$$

$\hat{\sigma}_{ab}^{C1} = (\text{single convolution}) F_{n+1}$

$\hat{\sigma}_{ab}^{C2} = (\text{double convolution}) F_n$

# Sector decomposition

Several layers of decomposition

Selector functions:

$$1 = \sum_{i,j} \left[ \sum_k \mathcal{S}_{ij,k} + \sum_{k,l} \mathcal{S}_{i,k;j,l} \right]$$

Factorization of double soft limits:

$$\theta(u_1^0 - u_2^0) + \theta(u_2^0 - u_1^0)$$

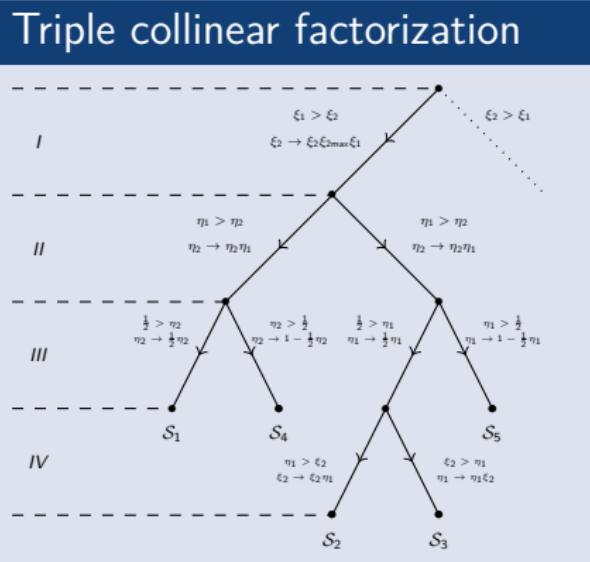
## Sector parameterization

Parameterization with respect to the reference parton  $r$ :

angles:  $\hat{\eta}_i = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos \theta_{ir}) \in [0, 1]$

energies:  $\hat{\xi}_i = \frac{u_i^0}{u_{\max}^0} \in [0, 1]$

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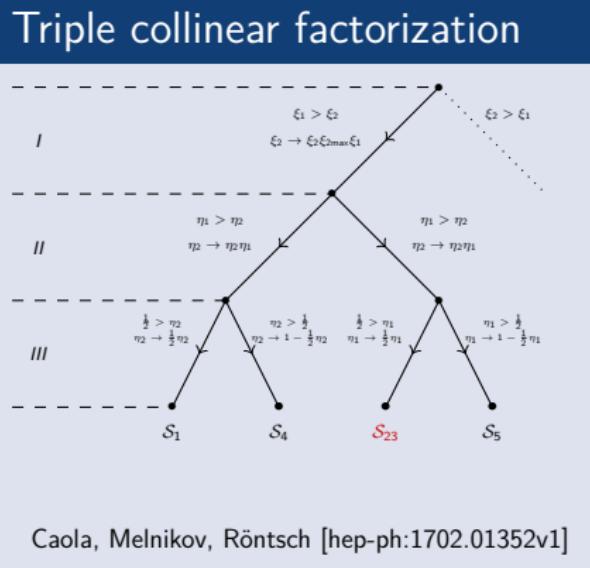
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now: 4 sub-sectors



Caola, Melnikov, Röntsch [hep-ph:1702.01352v1]

# Phase Space parameterization

# Original phase space parameterization

triple coll. final state ref. case:

Initial state momentum  
 $P$  fixes  $u_{i,\max}^0$

$\hat{u}_i$  with respect to fixed  $\hat{r}$

this fixes  $r_{\max}^0$

generic parameterization of  
remaining particles with total  
momentum  $Q = P - r - u_1 - u_2$

Other cases (single- and  
double-coll., initial state ref.)  
similar

type	unresolved config.	number
single	$\{r\}, \{r + u\}$	2
triple	double unres. $\{r\}, \{r + u_1\}, \{r + u_1 + u_2\}$ single unres.	3
1	$\{u_1, r\}, \{u_1, r + u_2\}$	2
2	$\{u_1, r\}$	1
3	$\{u_2, r + u_1\}$	1
4	$\{u_1, r\}, \{u_1 + u_2, r\}$	2
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# Original phase space parameterization

## Number of subtraction kinematics

- number is not minimal
- higher prob. of mis-binned subtraction events



- Better convergence of differential contributions
- Elegance

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# Concept of new parameterization

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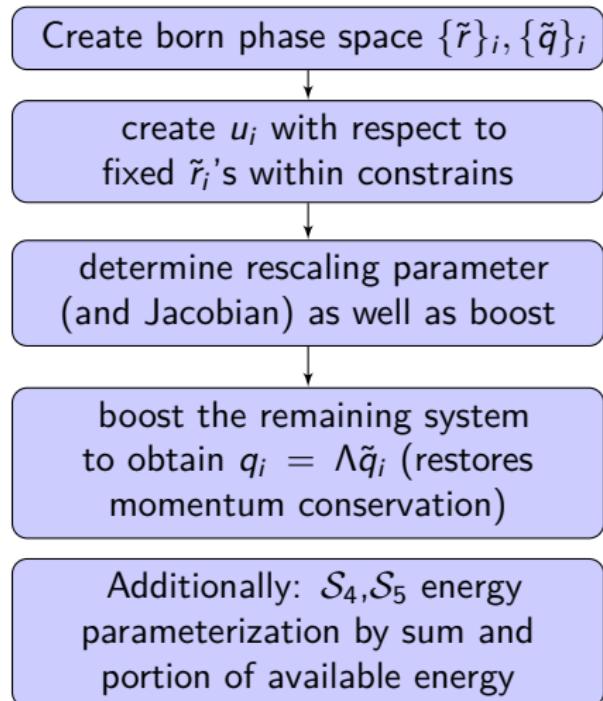
Perform mapping  $d\Phi_{n+2}$  to Born configuration:  $\{P, r_j, u_k\} \rightarrow \{\tilde{P}, \tilde{r}_j\}$

modification of [Frixione,Webber'02] or [Frixione,Nason,Oleari'07]

- keeping the direction of:  
sum of reference plus unresolved momenta  $\leftrightarrow$  **only** reference momentum
- invertible:  $\{\tilde{P}, \tilde{r}_j, u_k\} \rightarrow \{P, r_j, u_k\}$
- preserves  $q^2 = \tilde{q}^2$ ,  $\tilde{q} = \tilde{P} - \sum_{j=1}^{n_{fr}} \tilde{r}_j$

Only rescaling of the reference(s) and Rotation+Boost of  $q$   
necessary

# New phase space parameterization



$S$	unresolved config.	number
single	$\{r + u\}$	1
triple	double unres. $\{r + u_1 + u_2\}$ single unres.	1
1	$\{u_1, r + u_2\}$	1
2,3	$\{u_1, r\}/\{u_2, r + u_1\}$	2
4	$\{u_1 + u_2, r\}$	1
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double	double unres. $\{r_1 + u_1, r_2 + u_2\}$ single unres.	1
	$\{u_1, r_1, r_2 + u_2\},$ $\{u_2, r_1 + u_1, r_2\},$	2

# Consequences

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## Features

- minimal number of subtraction kinematics
- only one DU configuration → pole cancellation for each Born phase space point
- expected improved convergence of invariant mass distributions, since  $\tilde{q}^2 = q^2$

## unintentional features

- construction in lab frame
- original construction of t'Hooft Veltmann corrections [Czakon,Heymes '14] is spoiled

# t'Hooft-Veltmann scheme

# Separately finite contributions

Finite parts:

$$\sigma_F^{RR}$$

$$\sigma_F^{RV}$$

$$\sigma_F^{VV}$$

Finite remainder parts:

$$\sigma_{FR}^{RV}, \sigma_{FR}^{VV}, \sigma_{FR}^{C2}$$

Single (SU) and double (DU) unresolved parts:

$$\sigma_{SU}^{RR}, \sigma_{SU}^{RV}, \sigma_{SU}^{C1}$$

$$\sigma_{DU}^{RR}, \sigma_{DU}^{RV}, \sigma_{DU}^{C1}, \sigma_{DU}^{VV}, \sigma_{DU}^{C2}$$

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# The measurement function

Observables: Implemented by infrared safe measurement function (MF)  $F_m$

Infrared property in STRIPPER context:

- $\{x_i\} \rightarrow 0 \leftrightarrow$  single unresolved limit  
 $\Rightarrow F_{n+2} \rightarrow F_{n+1}$
- $\{x_i\} \rightarrow 0 \leftrightarrow$  double unresolved limit  
 $\Rightarrow F_{n+2} \rightarrow F_n$   
 $\Rightarrow F_{n+1} \rightarrow F_n$

Tool for new t'Hooft Veltmann scheme formulation:

Parameterized MF  $F_{n+1}^\alpha$

- $F_n^\alpha \equiv 0$  for  $\alpha \neq 0$   
(NLO MF)
- 'arbitrary'  $F_n^0$   
(NNLO MF)
- $\alpha \neq 0 \Rightarrow DU = 0$  and SU separately finite

Example:  $F_{n+1}^\alpha = F_{n+1} \Theta_\alpha(\{\alpha_i\})$   
with  $\Theta_\alpha = 0$  if some  $\alpha_i < \alpha$

# The single unresolved (SU) contribution

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$$\sigma_{SU} = \sigma_{SU}^{RR} + \sigma_{SU}^{RV} + \sigma_{SU}^{C1} \quad \text{where} \quad \sigma_{SU}^c = \int d\Phi_{n+1} (I_{n+1}^c F_{n+1} + I_n^c F_n)$$

NLO measurement function ( $\alpha \neq 0$ ):

$$\int d\Phi_{n+1} (I_{n+1}^{RR} + I_{n+1}^{RV} + I_{n+1}^{C1}) F_{n+1}^\alpha = \text{finite in 4 dim.}$$

All divergences cancel in  $d$ -dimensions:

$$\sum_c \int d\Phi_{n+1} \left[ \frac{I_{n+1}^{c,(-2)}}{\epsilon^2} + \frac{I_{n+1}^{c,(-1)}}{\epsilon} \right] F_{n+1}^\alpha \equiv \sum_c \mathcal{I}^c = 0$$

## SU finiteness for $\alpha = 0$

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$$\sigma_{SU} = \sigma_{SU}^{RR} + \sigma_{SU}^{RV} + \sigma_{SU}^{C1} \underbrace{- \mathcal{I}^{RR} - \mathcal{I}^{RV} - \mathcal{I}^{C1}}_{=0}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{SU}^c - \mathcal{I}^c &= \int d\Phi_{n+1} \left\{ \left[ \frac{I_{n+1}^{c,(-2)}}{\epsilon^2} + \frac{I_{n+1}^{c,(-1)}}{\epsilon} + I_{n+1}^{c,(0)} \right] F_{n+1} + \left[ \frac{I_n^{c,(-2)}}{\epsilon^2} + \frac{I_n^{c,(-1)}}{\epsilon} + I_n^{c,(0)} \right] F_n \right\} \\ &\quad - \int d\Phi_{n+1} \left[ \frac{I_{n+1}^{c,(-2)}}{\epsilon^2} + \frac{I_{n+1}^{c,(-1)}}{\epsilon} \right] F_{n+1} \Theta_\alpha(\{\alpha_i\}) \end{aligned}$$

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$$=: \underbrace{Z^c(\alpha)}_{\text{integrable, zero volume for } \alpha \rightarrow 0} + \underbrace{C^c}_{\text{no divergencies}} + \underbrace{N^c(\alpha)}_{\text{only } F_n \rightarrow \text{DU}}$$

# The function $N^c(\alpha)$

Looks like slicing, but it is slicing *only* for divergences  
→ no actual slicing parameter in result

Powerlog-expansion:

$$N^c(\alpha) = \sum_{k=0}^{\ell_{\max}} \ln^k(\alpha) N_k^c(\alpha)$$

Putting parts together:

$$\sigma_{SU} - \sum_c N_0^c(0) \text{ and } \sigma_{DU} + \sum_c N_0^c(0)$$

are finite in 4 dimension

- all  $N_k^c(\alpha)$  regular in  $\alpha$
- start expression independent of  $\alpha \Rightarrow$  all logs cancel
- only  $N_0^c(0)$  relevant



SU contribution:  $\sigma_{SU} - \sum_c N_0^c = \sum_c C^c$   
original expression  $\sigma_{SU}$  in 4-dim  
without poles, no further  $\epsilon$  pole cancellation

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Thank you for your attention

## Supplements

# Factorization and subtraction terms

Single unresolved phase space:

$$\iint_0^1 d\eta \, d\xi \, \eta^{a_1 - b_1 \epsilon} \xi^{a_2 - b_2 \epsilon}$$

Double unresolved phase space:

$$\iiint_0^1 d\eta_1 \, d\xi_1 \, d\eta_2 \, d\xi_2 \, \eta_1^{a_1 - b_1 \epsilon} \xi_1^{a_2 - b_2 \epsilon} \eta_2^{a_3 - b_3 \epsilon} \xi_2^{a_4 - b_4 \epsilon}$$

Factorized singular limits:

$$\int d\Phi_n \prod dx_i \underbrace{x_i^{-1-b_i \epsilon}}_{\text{singular}} \tilde{\mu}(\{x_i\}) \underbrace{\prod x_i^{a_i+1} \langle \mathcal{M}_{n+2} | \mathcal{M}_{n+2} \rangle}_{\text{regular}} F_{n+2}$$

Regularisation:

Master formula

$$x^{-1-b\epsilon} = \underbrace{-\frac{1}{b\epsilon}}_{\text{pole term}} + \underbrace{\left[ x^{-1-b\epsilon} \right]_+}_{\text{reg. + sub.}}$$

$$\int_0^1 dx \left[ x^{-1-b\epsilon} \right]_+ f(x) = \int_0^1 \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x^{1+b\epsilon}}$$

# Calculation of $N_0^c(0)$

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For each sector/contribution:

1. extraction of  $d\Phi_{n+1}$  from  $d\Phi_{n+2}|_{SU \text{ pole}}$  (only for *RR* contribution)

$$d\Phi_{n+2}|_{SU \text{ pole}} = \left( \underbrace{d\Phi_n d^d\mu(u_1) d^d\mu(u_2)}_{d\Phi_{n+1}} \right) \Big|_{u_2 \text{ col/soft}}$$

2. expansion in  $\epsilon$  up to  $\epsilon^{-1}$  (except  $d\Phi_{n+1}$ ):  $d^d\Phi_{n+1} \left( \frac{\dots}{\epsilon^2} + \frac{\dots}{\epsilon} \right)$
3. Identifying  $\ln^k(\alpha)$ 's from  $x_i$  integrations over  $\Theta$  function

$$\Theta_\alpha(\hat{\eta}, u^0) = \Theta(\hat{\eta} - \alpha)\Theta(\hat{\xi}u_{max}/E_{norm} - \alpha)$$

→ discard them

4. perform integration over  $\Theta$ -functions of non-canceling and non-vanishing (in  $\alpha \rightarrow 0$  limit) terms

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common starting point for all phase spaces :

$$d\Phi_n = dQ^2 \left[ \prod_{j=1}^{n_{fr}} \mu_0(r_j) \prod_{k=1}^{n_u} \mu_0(u_k) \delta_+ \left( \left( P - \sum_{j=1}^{n_{fr}} r_j - \sum_{k=1}^{n_u} u_k \right)^2 - Q^2 \right) \right] \prod_{i=1}^{n_q} \mu_{m_i}(q_i) (2\pi)^d \delta^{(d)} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n_q} q_i - q \right)$$

$$\text{with } \mu_m(k) \equiv \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} 2\pi \delta(k^2 - m^2) \theta(k^0),$$

$n$  : # final state particles,  $n_{fr}$  : # final state references,  $n_u$  : # additional partons