

NNLO QCD calculations with the sector-improved residue subtraction scheme

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Introduction

Top quark pair production and decay

- Polarised $t\bar{t}$ production amplitudes
- Finite remainder function

Subtraction Schemes

- Sector-decomposition
- New phase space construction
- 4 dimensional formulation
- C++ implementation of STRIPPER

Predictions from higher order perturbation theory

Ultimate Goal: describe measurements for high energy collisions

- Model \rightarrow QFT
- predictions \rightarrow perturbation theory
- (simplified) idea: higher orders \rightarrow better predictions
- higher order introduce UV and IR divergences
 - need for regularization (dimensional regularization, mass,...) and renormalization (introduction of additional scale μ)
 - methods of handling IR divergences

\Rightarrow increasing complexity of calculations

The Les Houches wishlist

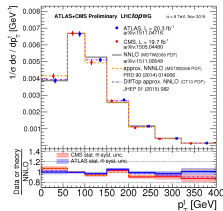
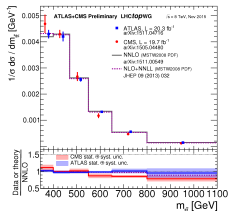
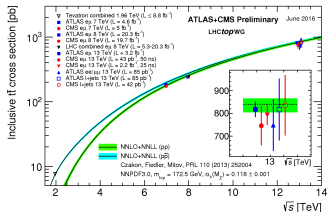
List of process of phenomenological interest

process	NLO	NNLO	N ³ LO
$pp \rightarrow H$	✓	(✓) _{HEFT}	(✓) _{HEFT}
$pp \rightarrow H + j$	✓	✓	
$pp \rightarrow H + 2j$	✓	(✓) _{VBF}	
$pp \rightarrow H + 3j$	✓		
$pp \rightarrow V$	✓	✓	!
$pp \rightarrow V + j$	✓	✓	
$pp \rightarrow V + 2j$	✓	!	
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}$	✓	✓	
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} + j$	✓	!	
$pp \rightarrow 2j$	✓	✓	
$pp \rightarrow 3j$	✓	!	
...			

Is it worth the effort....?

Total and Differential Cross Sections

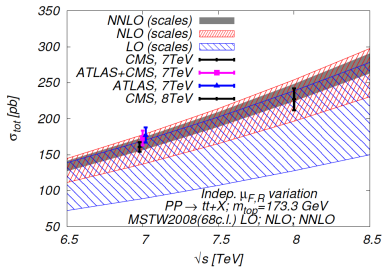
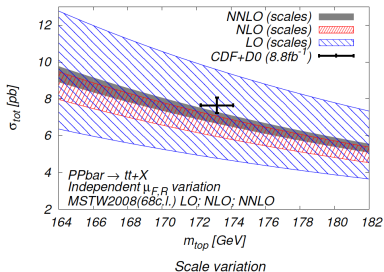
- We are well in the hadron collider precision measurement territory !!!
- ...for a few years now



	LHC	$\sigma(\text{tt})$ [pb]	L [fb $^{-1}$]	N_{event}
<div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">LHC Run 1</div> <div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">LHC Run 2</div>	7 TeV	172.676	5	8.6×10^5
	8 TeV	246.652	19.7	4.8×10^6
	13 TeV	807.296	2.3	1.8×10^6

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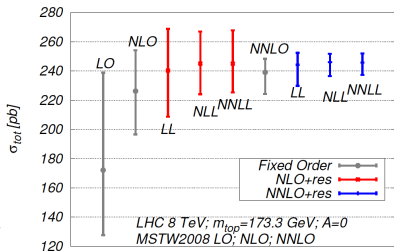
Perturbation Theory Convergence



Concurrent uncertainties:

Scales	$\sim 3\%$
pdf (at 68%cl)	$\sim 2\text{-}3\%$
α_S (parametric)	$\sim 1.5\%$
m_{top} (parametric)	$\sim 3\%$

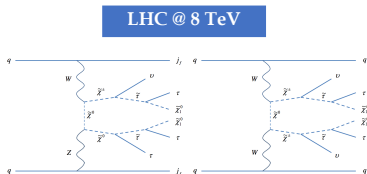
Soft gluon resummation makes a difference: **5% \rightarrow 3%**



MC, Fiedler, Mitov PRL '13

Search for Supersymmetry...

- An example of the importance of top-quark cross sections as background
- Search for supersymmetry in the vector-boson fusion topology in proton-proton collisions



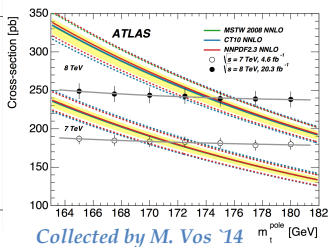
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Process	$\mu^\pm\mu^\mp jj$	$e^\pm\mu^\mp jj$	$\mu^\pm\tau_h^\mp jj$	$\tau_h^\pm\tau_h^\mp jj$
Z+jets	4.3 ± 1.7	$3.7^{+2.1}_{-1.9}$	19.9 ± 2.9	12.3 ± 4.4
W+jets	<0.1	$4.2^{+3.3}_{-2.5}$	17.3 ± 3.0	2.0 ± 1.7
VV	2.8 ± 0.5	3.1 ± 0.7	2.9 ± 0.5	0.5 ± 0.2
t \bar{t}	24.0 ± 1.7	$19.0^{+2.3}_{-2.4}$	11.7 ± 2.8	—
QCD	—	—	—	6.3 ± 1.8
Higgs boson	1.0 ± 0.1	1.1 ± 0.5	—	1.1 ± 0.1
VBF Z	—	—	—	0.7 ± 0.2
Total	32.2 ± 2.4	$31.1^{+4.6}_{-4.1}$	51.8 ± 5.1	22.9 ± 5.1
Observed	31	22	41	31

Top Quark Mass From σ_{tt}

arXiv:1406.5375

Experiment	pole mass	data
D0 [25]	$169.1^{+5.9}_{-3.2}$ GeV	$p\bar{p}$, 1.96 TeV, 1 fb^{-1}
Langenfeld et al. [24]	$168.9^{+3.5}_{-3.4}$ GeV	idem
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CMS [32]	176.7 ± 2.9 GeV	pp , 7 TeV, 5 fb^{-1}
ATLAS [28]	$172.9^{+2.5}_{-2.6}$ GeV	pp , 7 TeV, 5 fb^{-1} + 8 TeV, 20 fb^{-1}
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...and the Strong Coupling Constant

NNLL + NNLO with NNPDF2.3

Exp.	E_{CM} [GeV]	$\alpha_s(M_Z)$	Exp.	scale	PDF	m_{top}	E_{beam}	total
ATLAS	7000	0.1207	± 0.0017	± 0.0014	± 0.0014	± 0.0018	± 0.0009	± 0.0033
ATLAS	8000	0.1168	± 0.0018	± 0.0015	± 0.0013	± 0.0018	± 0.0008	± 0.0033
CMS	7000	0.1184	± 0.0016	± 0.0014	± 0.0014	± 0.0018	± 0.0008	± 0.0032
CMS	8000	0.1174	± 0.0017	± 0.0015	± 0.0013	± 0.0018	± 0.0008	± 0.0033
CDF&D0	1960	0.1201	± 0.0032	± 0.0013	± 0.0010	± 0.0013	± 0.0000	± 0.0038
unweighted	average	0.1187						

Workshop on high-precision α_s measurements: from LHC to FCC-ee
CERN, 13 October 2015

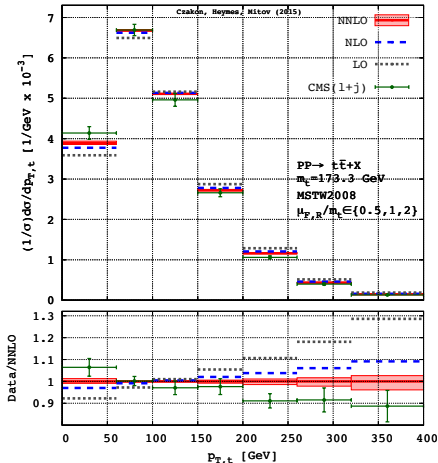
α_s from $\sigma(tt\bar{b})$:
preliminary new results

Gavin Salam (CERN), work in progress
with Sigi Bethke, Günther Dissertori and Thomas Kljnsma

Differential Distributions @ LHC

- Transverse momentum important for PDF fits
- Even with fixed scale the agreement with data quite good
- Apparently convergence poor in normalized distributions

MC, Heymes, Mitov PRL '15



Top quark pair production and decay

Theoretical developments

Stable onshell tops and spin summed:

- Total inclusive cross sections @ NNLO+NNLL accuracy

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- Fully differential distributions @ NNLO

[Czakon, Fiedler, Heymes, Mitov '16]

- + EW corrections

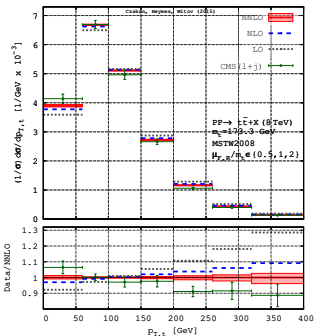
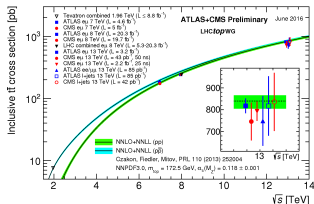
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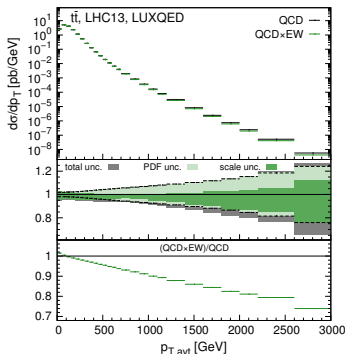
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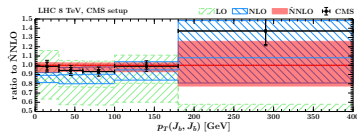
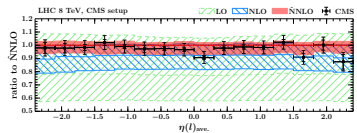
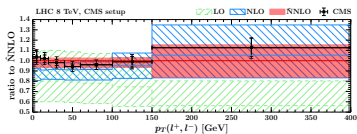
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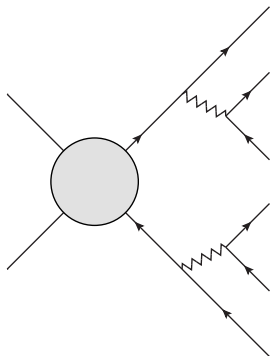
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Goal: $t\bar{t}$ production and decay at NNLO QCD

Narrow-Width-Approximation

- On-shell top-quarks
- Factorization of top-decay
- Separations of QCD corrections
- Keep spin correlations



→ polarised $t\bar{t}$ -production amplitudes

Polarised $t\bar{t}$ production amplitudes

Gluon channel

$$\mathcal{M} = \epsilon_{1\mu}(p_1)\epsilon_{2\nu}(p_2)M^{\mu\nu}$$

$M^{\mu\nu}$ is a rank-2 Lorentz tensor

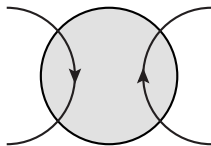
- Momentum conservation
- Transversality
- Equation of motion
- Parity conservation \rightarrow no γ_5

8 independent structures

($d = 4$ dimensions)

$$M^{\mu\nu} = \sum_{j=1}^8 M_j T_j^{\mu\nu}$$

Quark channel



- Two disconnected fermion lines
- Connection by gluons+loops

4 independent structures

$$\mathcal{M} = \sum_{i=1}^4 M_i T_i$$

with $T_j \sim \bar{v}_2 \Gamma_j u_1 \bar{u}_3 \Gamma'_j v_4$

Color structures

$$\text{Color decomposition: } \mathcal{M} = \sum_{ij} c_{ij} C_i M_j$$

Gluon channel
color representations

- Gluons: a, b adjoint
- Quarks: c, d fundamental

$$C_1 = (T^a T^b)_{cd}$$

$$C_2 = (T^b T^a)_{cd}$$

$$C_3 = \text{Tr} \{ T^a T^b \} \delta_{cd}$$

Quark channel
color representations

- Quarks: a, b fundamental
- Quarks: c, d fundamental

$$C_1 = \delta_{ac} \delta_{bd}$$

$$C_2 = \delta_{ab} \delta_{cd}$$

Projection

Construct projectors: $P_j = \sum_l B_{jl}(T_l)^\dagger$

Extracting the B_{jl} :

$$\sum_{spin/pol,col} P_j \mathcal{A} \stackrel{!}{=} A_j$$

leads to system of equations

$$\sum_{l,k} B_{jl} A_k \sum_{spin/pol,col} (T_l)^\dagger T_k = A_j$$

Inversion \rightarrow coefficients B_{jl}

Short summary

$$\mathcal{M} = \sum_{ij} c_{ij} C_i M_j$$

- Gluon: 3(color) \cdot 8(spin)
Quark: 2(color) \cdot 4(spin)
 \rightarrow combined 32 structures
- Scalar coefficients c_{ij} :
 - Rational function of $m_s = m_t^2/s$,
 $x = t/s$ and ϵ
 - Scalar Feynman integrals

Evaluation of coefficients

Integration by parts identities (IBP)

$$\int d^d k_1 d^d k_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial k_j^\mu} \left(p_l \prod \frac{(p \cdot k)_i^{b_i}}{(q_i^2 + m_i^2)^{a_i}} \right)$$

$\mathcal{O}(10^4)$ scalar Feynman
integrals
→ 422 master integrals

Master integrals

- Partially canonicalized new in collaboration with Long Chen

analogous to [Czakon '08],[Czakon,Fiedler,Mitov '13]

- Differential equations generated by IBPs
- High energy expansion as boundary condition
- Numerical integration for 'bulk' region
→ Interpolation grid
- Threshold expansion for $\beta = \sqrt{1 - 4m_s} \rightarrow 0$

Finite remainder function

IR divergences and the finite remainder function

$$|\mathcal{M}_n\rangle = \mathbf{Z}(\epsilon, \{p_i\}, \{m_i\}, \mu_R) |\mathcal{F}\rangle$$

- Complete factorization of IR structure \rightarrow \mathbf{Z} operator

$$|\mathcal{M}_n^{(0)}\rangle = |\mathcal{F}_n^{(0)}\rangle$$

$$|\mathcal{M}_n^{(1)}\rangle = \mathbf{Z}^{(1)} |\mathcal{M}_n^{(0)}\rangle + |\mathcal{F}_n^{(1)}\rangle$$

$$|\mathcal{M}_n^{(2)}\rangle = \mathbf{Z}^{(2)} |\mathcal{M}_n^{(0)}\rangle + \mathbf{Z}^{(1)} |\mathcal{F}_n^{(1)}\rangle + |\mathcal{F}_n^{(2)}\rangle$$

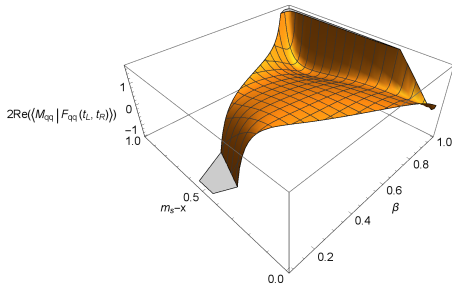
- \mathbf{Z} can be calculated by its anomalous dimension equation

$$\frac{d}{d \ln \mu} \mathbf{Z} = -\Gamma \mathbf{Z}$$

- Depends on kinematics and operator on color space
 \rightarrow Projection on color and spin structures

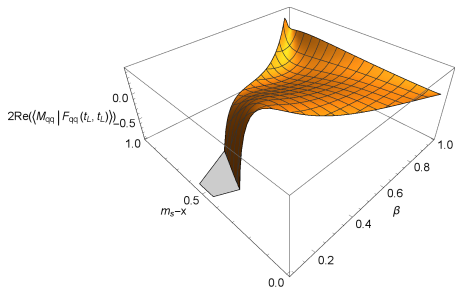
Finite remainder for polarised tops

2-Loop finite remainder for:
 $q\bar{q} \rightarrow t_L\bar{t}_R$



(work in progress)

2-Loop finite remainder for:
 $q\bar{q} \rightarrow t_R\bar{t}_R$



Summary - top quark pair production and decay

Finished

- Projection LO, NLO, NNLO amplitudes
- Finite remainder of all coefficients
- Improved set of master integrals
- Kinematical expansions of coefficients
- Implementation of coefficients, color and spin structures in STRIPPER

→ publication in preparation

Outlook

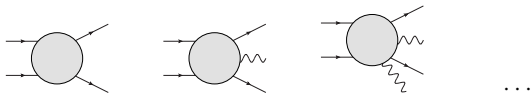
- Usage of amplitudes within STRIPPER
- Implementation of decay phase-space and handling of decay products in STRIPPER
- QCD-corrections to decay

Subtraction Schemes

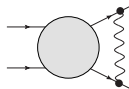
Sector-improved residue subtraction scheme

Collider observables in QCD

- any process at colliders is specified by final states, and cuts on these final states
- parton-hadron duality is used, but partons being massless can be emitted at will
- it is necessary to sum (incoherently) over processes with a different number of final partons

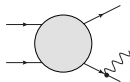


- exchange or emission of partons lead to divergences



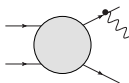
virtual - UV/IR

virtual momentum arbitrarily
large/small



real - IR soft

gluon energy arbitrarily small

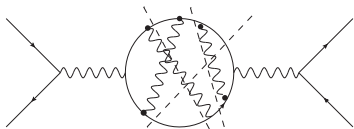


real - IR collinear

angle between partons
arbitrarily small

Kinoshita-Lee-Nauenberg theorem

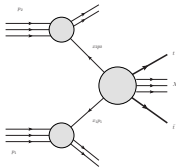
- the theorem states that for “suitably averaged” transition probabilities (cross sections), the result is finite
- particular case is given by electron-positron annihilation



- after cuts: the different contributions are **divergent**, but the self energy itself is finite, and the total cross-section is just its imaginary part
- the averaging is obtained by integrating the cross section with a “**jet function**” F_n dependent on the momenta of the partons (or mesons and hadrons)
- F_n is required to be “**infrared safe**”, i.e. the value for a soft or collinear degenerate configuration of $n + 1$ is the same as the value for the equivalent n partons

Factorization

- unfortunately, in hadronic collisions, the initial states are not properly averaged
- instead a factorization theorem is used, e.g. for top quark pair production:



$$\sigma_{h_1 h_2 \rightarrow t \bar{t}}(s, m_t^2) = \sum_{ij} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 dx_1 dx_2 \phi_{i, h_1}(x_1, \mu_F^2) \phi_{j, h_2}(x_2, \mu_F^2) \hat{\sigma}_{ij}(\hat{s}, m_t^2, \alpha_s(\mu_R^2), \mu_R^2, \mu_F^2)$$

- the divergences of **the initial state collinear radiation** are absorbed into the (universal) **parton distribution functions**
- the general formula is

$$[\sigma_{ij}(x)/x] = \sum [\hat{\sigma}_{kl}(z)/z] \otimes \Gamma_{ki} \otimes \Gamma_{lj} \quad [f_1 \otimes f_2](x) = \int_0^1 dx_1 dx_2 f_1(x_1) f_2(x_2) \delta(x - x_1 x_2)$$

$$\Gamma_{ij} = \delta_{ij} \delta(1-x) - \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \frac{P_{ij}^{(0)}(x)}{\epsilon} + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^2 \left[\frac{1}{2\epsilon^2} \left((P_{ik}^{(0)} \otimes P_{kj}^{(0)}) (x) + \beta_0 P_{ij}^{(0)}(x) \right) - \frac{1}{2\epsilon} P_{ij}^{(1)}(x) \right] + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3)$$

- Consistency of the construction requires a **consistent dimensional regularization**

The general idea of subtraction

- add to the original cross section $\sigma = \sigma^{LO} + \sigma^{NLO}$

$$\sigma^{LO} = \int_m d\sigma^B, \quad \sigma^{NLO} \equiv \int d\sigma^{NLO} = \int_{m+1} d\sigma^R + \int_m d\sigma^V$$

an identity involving approximations to the real radiation cross section

$$\sigma^{NLO} = \int_{m+1} [d\sigma^R - d\sigma^A] + \int_{m+1} d\sigma^A + \int_m d\sigma^V$$

and regroup the terms as

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

- for $d\sigma^A$ it must be possible to
 - obtain the Laurent expansion by integration over the single particle unresolved space (preferably analytically)
 - approximate $d\sigma^R$ (preferably pointwise)

Subtraction at NLO (and beyond?)

NLO Subtraction Schemes

- Dipole Subt. [Catani,Seymour'98]
- FKS [Frixione,Kunst,Signer'95]
- Antenna Subtraction [Kosower'97]
- Nagy-Soper [Nagy,Soper'07]

Generalization to NNLO?

- Nature of singularities known: soft and collinear limits
- NLO (fairly simple):
 - single soft
 - single collinear
- At NNLO? : Many (overlapping) ways to reach soft and collinear limits
- Possible way: Decomposition of the phase space to disentangle them

NNLO subtraction schemes

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** [Gehrmann, GehrmannDeRidder,Glover,Heinrich,'05-'08] , [Weinzierl,'08,'09], [Currie,Gehrmann,GehrmannDeRidder,Glover,Pires,'13-'17], [Bernreuther,Bogner,Dekkers,'11,'14], [Abelof,(Dekkers),GehrmannDeRidder,'11-'15], [Abelof,GehrmannDeRidder,Maierhofer,Pozzorini,'14], [Chen,Gehrmann,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], [Bughezal,Caola,Melnikov,Petriello,Schulze,'13,'14], [Bughezal,Melnikov,Petriello,'11], [Caola,Czernecki,Liang,Melnikov,Szafron,'14], [Bruchseifer,Caola,Melnikov,'13-'14], [Caola, Melnikov, Röntsch,'17]

Formulation

Hadronic cross section:

$$\sigma_{h_1 h_2}(P_1, P_2) = \sum \int \int_0^1 dx_1 dx_2 f_{a/h_1}(x_1, \mu_F^2) f_{b/h_2}(x_2, \mu_F^2) \hat{\sigma}_{ab}(x_1 P_1, x_2 P_2; \alpha_S(\mu_R^2), \mu_R^2, \mu_F^2)$$

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:

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

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

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Sector decomposition

Several layers of decomposition for $d\Phi_{n+2}$

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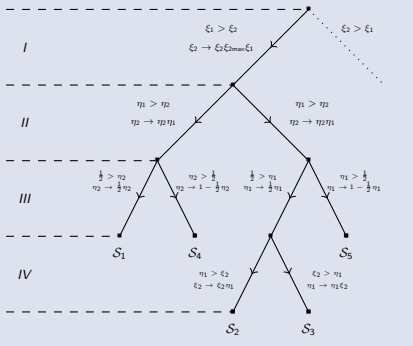
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originally: 5 sub-sectors

Triple collinear factorization



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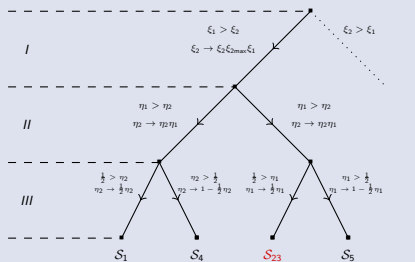
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now: 4 sub-sectors

Triple collinear factorization



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

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Sector decomposition and master formula:

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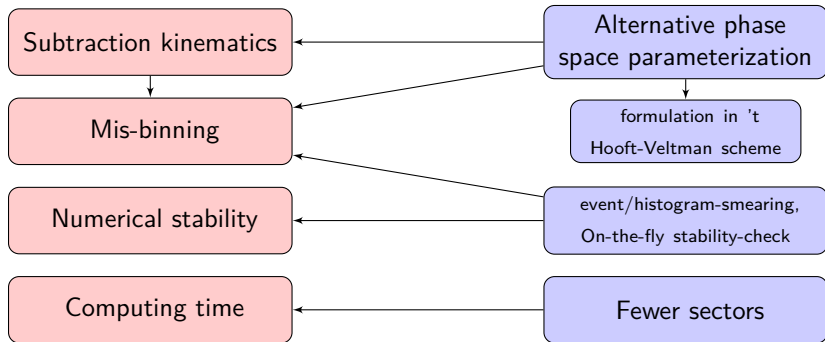


$$\left(\sigma_F^{RR}, \sigma_{SU}^{RR}, \sigma_{DU}^{RR} \right) \quad \left(\sigma_F^{RV}, \sigma_{SU}^{RV}, \sigma_{DU}^{RV} \right) \quad \left(\sigma_F^{VV}, \sigma_{DU}^{VV}, \sigma_{FR}^{VV} \right) \quad \left(\sigma_{SU}^{C1}, \sigma_{DU}^{C1} \right) \quad \left(\sigma_{DU}^{C2}, \sigma_{FR}^{C2} \right)$$

⇓ 4 dim formulation [Czakon,Heymes'14]

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How to improve the STRIPPER subtraction scheme?



Motto

Optimizing by minimizing

New phase space construction: Idea

Goal

Phase space construction with a minimal # of subtraction kinematics

Old construction

- Start with unresolved partons
 - Fill remaining phase space with Born configuration
- Non-minimal # kinematic configurations
(e.g. single soft and collinear limits yield different configurations)

New construction

- Start with Born configuration
- Add unresolved partons (u_i)
- Cleverly adjust Born configuration to accommodate the u_i

New phase space construction

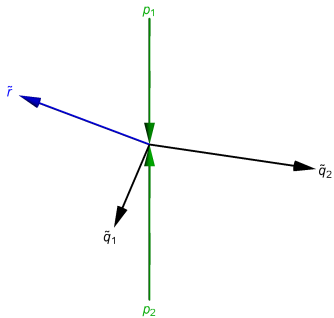
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Requirements:

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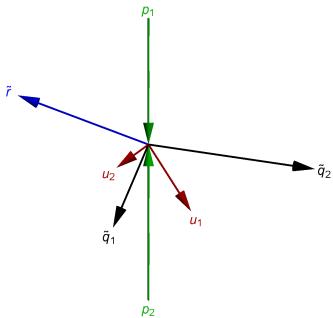
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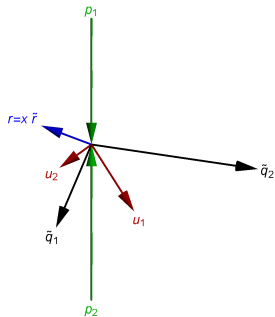
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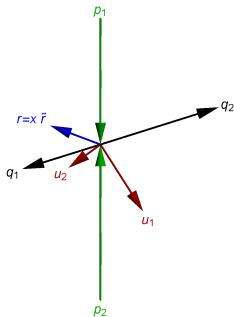
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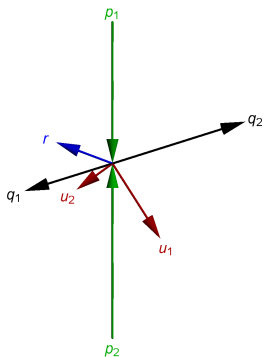
Main steps:

- Generate Born phase space configuration
- Generate unresolved partons u_i
- Rescale reference momentum
- Boost non-reference momenta of the Born configuration

Behaviour in singular limits

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Soft limit of u_2

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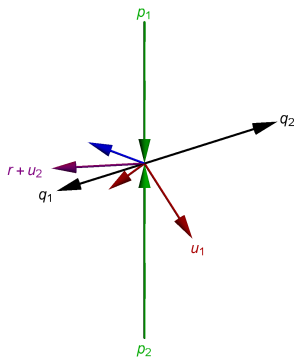


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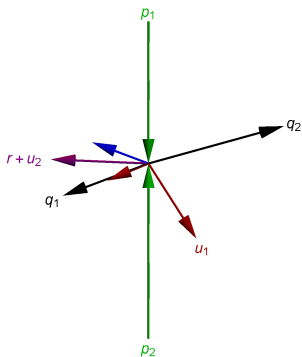


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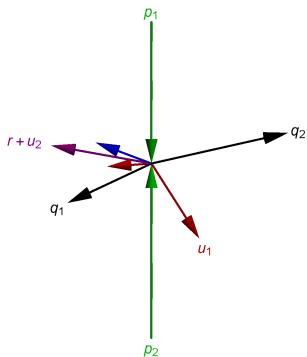


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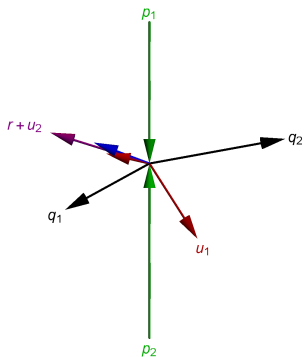


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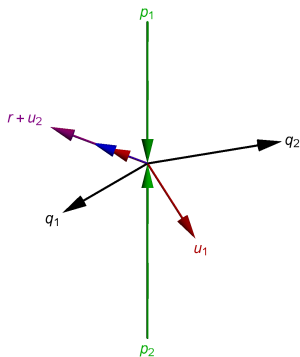


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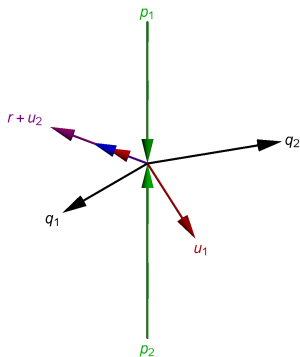


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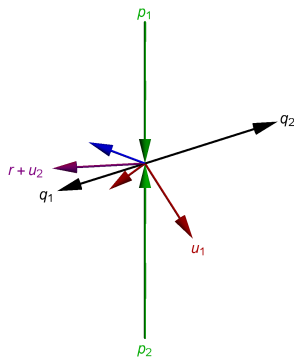
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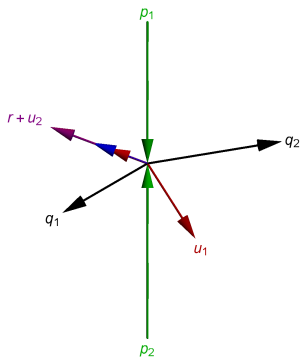


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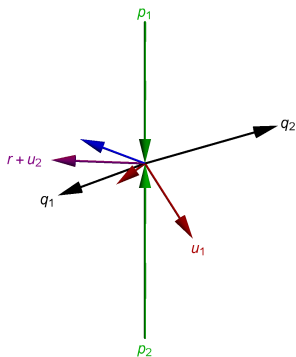
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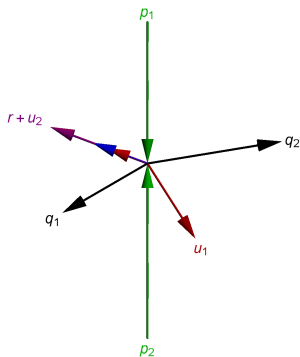


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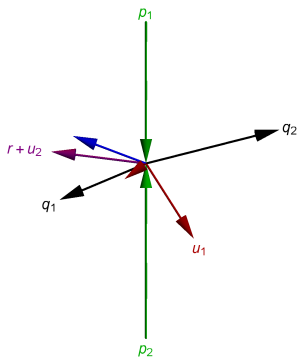
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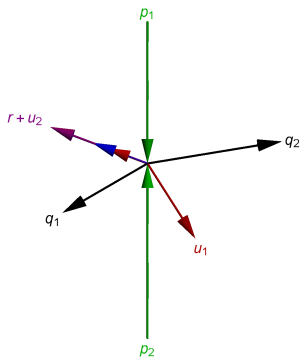


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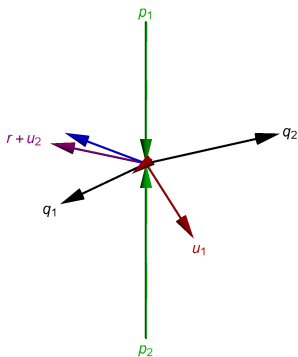
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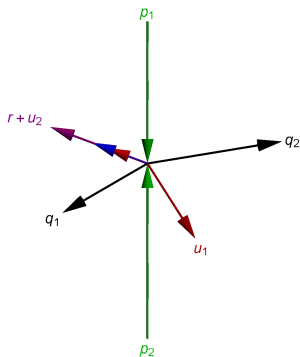


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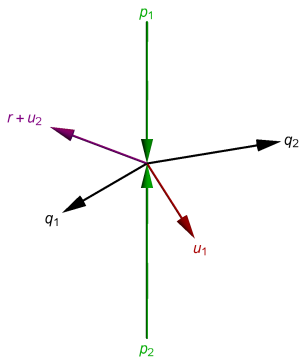
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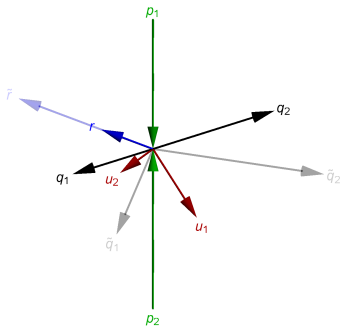


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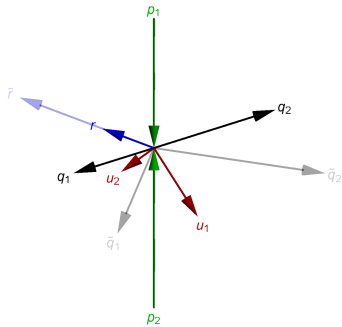
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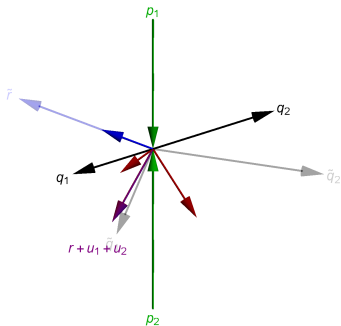


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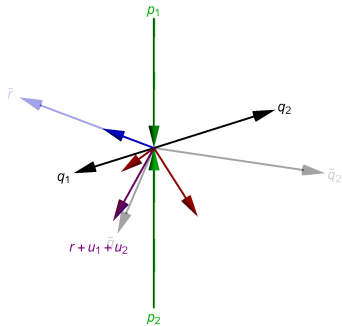
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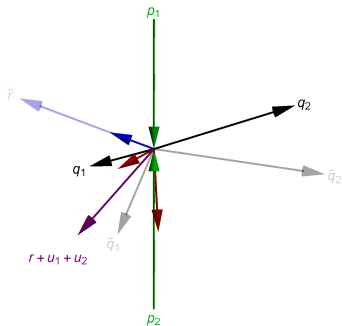


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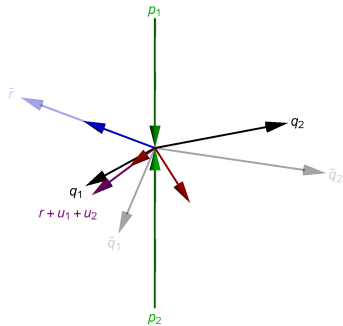
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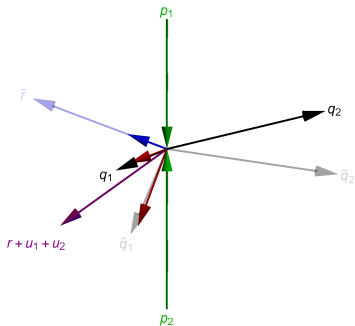


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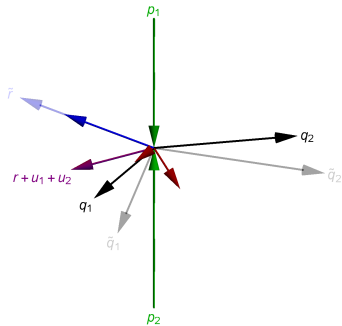
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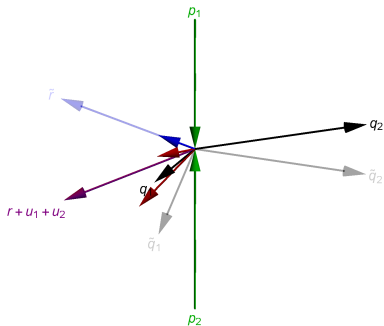


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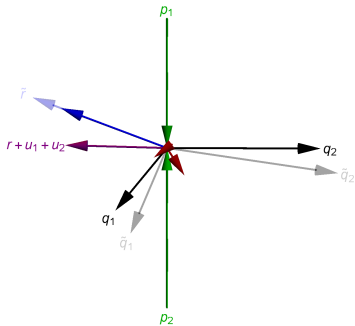
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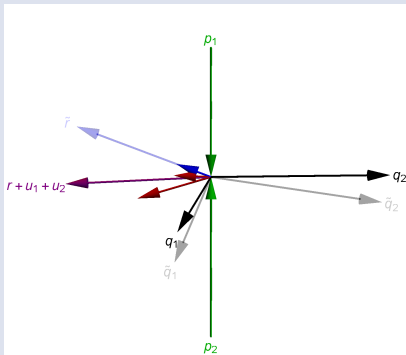


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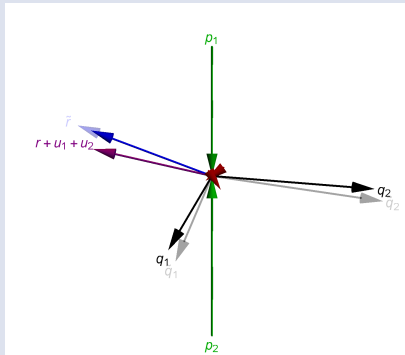
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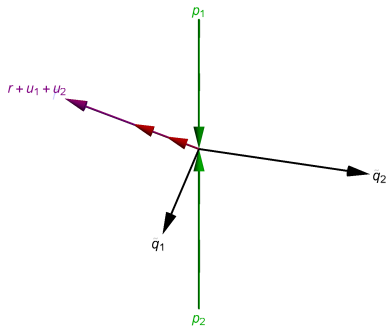


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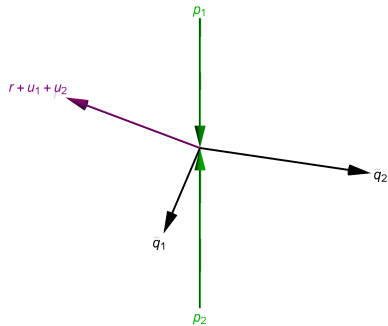
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Consequences

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 Veltman corrections [Czakon,Heymes'14] is spoiled

4 dimensional formulation

't Hooft Veltman scheme

Treat resolved particles in 4 dimensions (momenta and polarisations)

- Avoid unnecessary ϵ -orders of the matrix elements
- Avoid growth of dimensionality of phase space integrals

Make resolved phase space 4-dim. using measurement function, e.g.

$$F_n \rightarrow F_n \mathcal{N}^{-(n-1)\epsilon} \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} \delta^{(-2\epsilon)}(q_i)$$

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:

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

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't Hooft Veltman scheme

Goal: Make SU and DU separately finite

Idea: Move “divergent parts” of SU to DU before applying 'tHV scheme

- SU contribution: $\sigma_{SU} = \sigma_{SU}^{RR} + \sigma_{SU}^{RV} + \sigma_{SU}^{C1}$ with

$$\sigma_{SU}^c = \int d\Phi_{n+1} (I_{n+1}^c F_{n+1} + I_n^c F_n)$$

- We know: NLO cross section is finite
→ F_{n+1} part of SU is finite: Poles cancel between RR, RV and C1 (with NLO measurement function)
- With NNLO measurement function: Additional poles arise
→ SU no longer finite by itself
- Non-cancelling ϵ poles are generated by terms with F_n
→ can be moved to DU

→ **Task:** Identify non-cancelling parts of SU

't Hooft Veltman scheme

Task: Identify non-cancelling parts of SU

- Use parametrised measurement functions

$$F_{n+1}^\alpha = F_{n+1} \theta \left(\min_{i,j} \eta_{ij} - \alpha \right) \theta \left(\min_i \frac{u_i^0}{E_{\text{norm}}} - \alpha \right)$$

- Construct:

$$\sigma_{\text{SU}}^c - \mathcal{I}_c^\alpha = \int d\Phi_{n+1} (I_{n+1} F_{n+1} + I_n F_n - [I_{n+1}]_{1/\epsilon^2, 1/\epsilon} F_{n+1}^\alpha)$$

- Rearrangements allow to extract the non-cancelling part:

$$N^c(\alpha) = \int d\Phi_{n+1} [I_n]_{1/\epsilon^2, 1/\epsilon} F_n \theta_\alpha$$

- Analytically extract divergences ($\ln^k \alpha$) and cancel them exactly
- Take limit $\alpha \rightarrow 0$ to remove dependence on α
- Subtract from σ_{SU} and add to σ_{DU}
 - separately finite SU and DU contributions
 - ready for application of 'tHV scheme

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

C++ implementation of STRIPPER

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Features of the implementation

- General subtraction framework
 - Provides a general set of subtraction terms
 - Tree-level amplitudes are calculated automatically using a Fortran library [van Hameren '09][Bury, van Hameren '15]
 - User has to provide the 1- and 2-loop amplitudes
- Separate evaluation of coefficients of scales and PDFs
→ Cheaper calculations with several scales and PDFs
- FastNLO interface
 - Allows to produce tables for fast fits
 - FastNLO tables for $t\bar{t}$ differential distributions released this spring [Czakon, Heymes, Mitov '17]

Example: Driver program

```
// define initial state and (multiple) PDFs
InitialState initial("p","p",Ecms,Emin);
initial.include(LHAPDFsetName);
// define (multiple) scales
ScalesList scales(FixedScales(mt,mt,"muR = mt, muF = mt"));
scales.include(DynamicalScalesHT4(1.,1.));
// set up observables to be calculated
Measurement measurement;
measurement.include(TransverseMomentum({"t"},
                                         {{Histogram::bins(40,0.,2000.)}}));
// initialise MC generator and specify contribution to calculate
Generator generator(incoming,scales,measurement);
generator.include({{"g","g"},{"t","t~","g","g"}},2,2,0,0,false);
// run integration with 10^6 points
generator.run(1000000);
// write results
ofstream xml("ttbar.xml");
generator.measurement().print(xml);
xml.close();
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- Minimizing the STRIPPER scheme
- alternative phase space parameterization
- new formulation of 't Hooft Veltman scheme
- tests for a class of processes:
 $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}, e^+e^- \rightarrow 2, 3j, t$ decay, DIS, Drell-Yan, H decays, dijets

Supplements

Factorization and subtraction terms

Single unresolved phase space:

$$\int \int_0^1 d\eta d\xi \eta^{a_1 - b_1 \epsilon} \xi^{a_2 - b_2 \epsilon}$$

Double unresolved phase space:

$$\int \int \int \int_0^1 d\eta_1 d\xi_1 d\eta_2 d\xi_2 \eta_1^{a_1 - b_1 \epsilon} \xi_1^{a_2 - b_2 \epsilon} \eta_2^{a_3 - b_3 \epsilon} \xi_2^{a_4 - b_4 \epsilon}$$

Factorized singular limits:

$$\int d\Phi_n \prod dx_i \underbrace{x_i^{-1 - b_i \epsilon}}_{\text{singular}} \tilde{\mu}(\{x_i\})$$

$$\underbrace{\prod x_i^{a_i + 1}}_{\text{regular}} \langle \mathcal{M}_{n+2} | \mathcal{M}_{n+2} \rangle F_{n+2}$$

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 $N_0^c(0)$

For each sector/contribution:

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

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

2. expansion in ϵ up to ϵ^{-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 Θ 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 Θ -functions of non-canceling and non-vanishing (in $\alpha \rightarrow 0$ limit) terms

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