# Les Houches 2017 SM N<sup>×</sup>LO, NLO (multi-legs+EW) WG TH summary

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- Four-dimensional methods
- Progress in two-loop amplitudes

## Wishlist

### NNLO IR subtraction schemes

Different NNLO IR subtraction schemes are on the market and have been (partially) implemented into public programs:

- Antenna subtraction (NNLOJET) [talk by J. Pires]
- Sector-improved residue subtraction (Top++, ...)
- Iterative subtraction [talk by R. Röntsch]
- $q_{\rm T}$  subtraction/slicing (HqT, DYNNLO,  $2\gamma$ NNLO, MATRIX, ...)
- N-jettiness subtraction/slicing (MCFM, GENEVA, ...) [talk by F. Tackmann]
- Projection to Born/structure function approach
- Colorful subtraction

#### Different approaches lead to (dis-)advantages of the respective methods:

- Restriction to special process classes/kinematics
- Dependence on cut parameters in slicing approaches
- More or less staightforward automation

#### Antenna subtraction

- Implementation in NNLOJET program
- Applied to  $pp \rightarrow jj/Hj/Zj$  production (also:  $pp \rightarrow H/W/Z$ ,  $ep \rightarrow jj$ )
- (Nearly) local subtraction method with analytic IR pole cancellation
- No additional building blocks needed for higher multiplicities (massless quarks)
- Many subtraction terms needed, bookkeeping complicated
- Colour-ordered amplitudes needed (not easily available from public tools)

[talk by J. Pires]

#### Antenna subtraction at work



#### Double unresolved emission

- · Generate phase space trajectories that approach singular region of the phase space
- · Infrared behaviour of subtraction term mimics the behaviour of the matrix element

$$R = \frac{d\sigma_{NNLO}^R}{d\sigma_{NNLO}^S} \xrightarrow{l_g, k_g \to 0} 1$$

#### Pros and cons

#### Antenna subtraction

- local method with phase space averaging → good control on the numerical accuracy of the final result, RR, RV, VV separately finite
- analytic IR pole cancellation at NNLO → good control on the correctness of the pole cancellation
- · double precision
- universal method works for general jet multiplicity → no additional building blocks needed
- pp→jj,Hj,Zj @ NNLO
- · subtraction terms for a fixed colour structure reusable
- involves many mappings/subtraction terms as expected for a local method
   → needs caching system to store mappings

#### Iterative subtraction

- Extension of FKS to NNLO by adding sectors to separate singularities
- Simplified implementation focussed on gauge-invariant matrix elements
- Local; process independent; clear origin of singularities
- Explicit pole cancellation; 4-dimensional matrix elements sufficient
- Numerical pole cancellation; intermediately not Lorentz invariant
- Some work required for extension to colored final states and masses

#### <u>skit</u>

#### Soft and collinear singularities

BUT: we are dealing with gauge-invariant matrix elements (as opposed to individual Feynman diagrams):

- · Can regulate soft and collinear singularities independently.
- Order energies  $E_4 > E_5$ : either double soft (\$) or gluon 5 soft.
- · Regulate soft singularities:

$$\begin{split} \left\langle F_{LM}(1,2,4,5) \right\rangle &= \left\langle \mathscr{T}F_{LM}(1,2,4,5) \right\rangle + \left\langle S_5(I-\mathscr{T})F_{LM}(1,2,4,5) \right\rangle \\ &+ \left\langle (I-S_5)(I-\mathscr{T})F_{LM}(1,2,4,5) \right\rangle. \end{split}$$

#### then regulate collinear singularities in each term

<u>skit</u>

#### Combining partitions

Rename the resolved gluon 4 in the first term and combine:

$$\begin{split} & \left\langle \left[I - S_{3}\right] \left[I - S_{3}\right] \left[Q_{4_{1}} | dy_{3} | w^{4,25} + C_{3_{1}} | dy_{4} | w^{1,24} F_{LM}(1,2,4,5) \right\rangle \\ & = - \frac{[\alpha_{*}] s^{-+}}{\epsilon} \int_{0}^{1} \frac{dz}{(1-z)^{1+2i\epsilon}} \langle \hat{w}_{3||1}^{10,24} \left( \hat{\mathcal{P}}_{qq}^{(-)}(z) \left[I - S_{4}\right] F_{LM}(z \cdot 1,2,4) + \right. \\ & \left. \left. \left. \left( d_{2} - z \right) 2 C_{F} \left[I - S_{4}\right] F_{LM}(1,2,4) + \theta(z_{4} - z) \hat{\mathcal{P}}_{qq}^{(-)}(z) S_{4} F_{LM}(z \cdot 1,2,4) \right. \right) \right\rangle . \end{split}$$

#### Similar simplifications on combining terms from **double** & **triple** collinear partitions.

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### N-jettiness subtraction/slicing

- Differential 0-jettiness subtractions implemented in GENEVA Monte Carlo
- Global 0-/1-jettiness in MCFM 8: V/H, VH,  $\gamma\gamma$ ;  $V/H/\gamma$ +jet
- Not local in slicing approach; result dependent on slicing parameter  $au_{
  m cut}$
- $au_{\mathrm{cut}}$  dependence can be well controlled by
  - power corrections that can be analyzed and computed in SCET
  - Born+jet NLO calculations that remains stable deep into the IR-singular region
- Straightforward to be automated if NNLO beam/jet/soft functions are known



### NNLO IR subtraction schemes

- Discussion of different IR subtraction schemes
- Drell-Yan as benchmark between applicable schemes
  - inclusive results
  - maybe a benchmark distribution
  - runtime estimate (only partially useful, as process is quite trivial)

#### Methods to provide results from NNLO calculations

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							$e^+$	$e^- \rightarrow 3  {\rm jets}$
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[introductory talk by G. Heinrich]

How can these NNLO results be made fully available for non-authors?

- Public NNLO codes to be run by anyone
- nTuples output written by the programs, to be provided to anyone
- Interface to FASTNLO/APPLGRID/APPLFASTNNLO

Stefan Kallweit (CERN)

#### nTuples

- nTuples have proven useful for NLO can they be as useful for NNLO?
- Same advantages and same disadvantages but amplified:
  - Programs are more complex, i.e. more runtime can be saved
  - Larger files: more pieces in the calculation, more logarithm coefficients
- Main question: is the size reasonable?
  - $\circ$  studied on  $e^+e^- 
    ightarrow$  3jets, hadron–hadron in development
  - modifications to reduce required storage under investigation

[talk by D. Maitre]

#### Using mapping information

- · The most space-consuming part is the double real part
  - More final state momenta
  - Need much statistics because of subtraction terms
- For each real-real phase-space point we have many subtraction terms
- Each of them has a different set of momenta given by a  $(n+2) \rightarrow n \text{ or } (n+1) \rightarrow n \text{ map}$
- We can save much space if we simply record the mapping that was used instead of the momenta
- · The downside is that
  - there is more calculation at the moment of reading the nTuple
  - More coupling between nTuple file and code that produced it





#### Fast grid technologies

- FASTNLO and APPLGRID provide intermediate output formats
  - that allow for a-posteriori variation of scales and PDFs,
  - that need the original code to be run only once.
- Fast a-posteriori convolution, original calculation reproduced very precisely
- Analysis cuts and observables cannot be changed a-posteriori
- APPLFAST-NNLO interface to NNLOJET has been established.



#### Methods to provide results from NNLO calculations

- APPLFast Tables: come up with common interface for input to Tables, such that N(N)LO code providers can stick to standards as guidelines for the output format they provide (Les Houches APPLcord?)
- Working out standards for communication between nTuples at NNLO and users
- Working out standards for output format of (NNLO) fixed order results to pass to parton showers (at runtime)

### NLO EW automation

# Status of NLO EW matrix element generators (and their implementation into full (parton-level) Monte Carlo programs):

• GOSAM [talk by N. Greiner]

• Sherpa+GoSam

- NLOX [talk by C. Reuschle]
- MADLOOP [talk by V. Hirschi]
- OPENLOOPS [talk by M. Schönherr]

- MG5\_AMC@NLO
- Herwig+OpenLoops
- Munich+OpenLoops
- POWHEG+OPENLOOPS
- Sherpa+OpenLoops
- "IN-HOUSE MC" + RECOLA
- Sherpa+Recola

RECOLA [talk by M. Pellen]

• ...(?)

#### General issues in EW corrections (NLO EW and subleading orders)

- Democratic clustering (photons+QCD partons)
- Treatment of photons (IS/FS/identified)
- Realistic uncertainty estimate for EW corrections
  - Estimate of missing higher EW orders
  - Additive/multiplicative combination of QCD and EW results
- Treatment of (pseudo-)resonances
  - in particular pseudo-resonances in interference contributions without CMS
  - actual resonances in CMS only potential numerical problem at fixed order
- Issues with the complex mass scheme
  - complex  $\alpha$  wrong in subleading EW corrections: consistent use of  $|\alpha|$ ?
  - renormalization of (stable) top in presence of complex W mass

- EW correction large in high-energy tails of distributions (Sudakov regime)
- NNLO Sudakov corrections dominant source of EW uncertainty
  - $\hookrightarrow$  use in uncertainty estimate, or even include as nNLO EW
- NNLO Sudakov corrections also relevant for combined QCD–EW uncertainty
  - $\hookrightarrow$  multiplicative approach as nominal prediction, plus uncertainty estimate
- But: Sudakov corrections do not dominate EW uncertainties everywhere!



#### Democratic clustering

- Exemplary situation:  $gq \rightarrow gq + \gamma$  contribution to di-jet production
- ullet QCD and QED singularity structures favours democratic treatment of  ${\it q}, {\it g}, {\it \gamma}$ 
  - $\,\hookrightarrow\,$  implies presense of  $\gamma {\it q}$  initial state at Born level
- But: Experiment would not consider photon-jets as jets
  - $\,\hookrightarrow\,$  democratic clustering, and discard jets with  $E_{\gamma} > z_{\rm cut} E_{\rm jet}$
- But:  $E_\gamma$  not well-defined in perturbative QED  $(\gamma 
  ightarrow qar{q})$ 
  - $\hookrightarrow$  fragmentation function approach . . .

[talk by V. Hirschi]

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Need to compute "QED corrections": then, include photon emission



But: soft photons induce singularities; one must treat them inclusively

Solution: sum over all configurations

However: (QCD) IR safety demands  $E_{gluon} \rightarrow 0$  to be a smooth limit. This implies a  $q\gamma$  final state must exist at the Born level. That's OK: treat q's, g's and  $\gamma$ 's democratically

#### **ISSUES WITH DEMOCRATIC JETS**

But experimentalists typically do not consider photon-jets as jets.

Solution: cluster democratically, but discard jets where  $E_{\gamma} > z_{cut}E_{jet}$ 

However:  $E_{\gamma}$  is not a well-defined quantity in pQED ( $\gamma \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ 

This is a problem only at  $\Sigma_{\rm NLO,3}$  and beyond (at least two EW couplings are needed): in principle it can be ignored at NLO EW.

Still, it is much cleaner to devise a solution which is universally valid

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#### Treatment of photons

#### • Distinction between different photon types

- initial state: unresolved  $\rightarrow$  short-distance scheme ( $G_{\mu}$  ,  $\alpha(m_Z)$ ,  $\bar{MS}$ , ...)
- final state: identifed ightarrow lpha(0) scheme, no  $\gamma 
  ightarrow far{f}$  splittings
- final state: democratic  $\rightarrow$  short-distance scheme, include  $\gamma \rightarrow f\bar{f}$  splittings
  - $\,\hookrightarrow\,$  identify photon through fragmentation function

#### • Other descriptions could also work reasonably.



#### Issues with the complex mass scheme

- $\bullet~{\rm Complex}~\alpha$  spoils IR factorization and KLN cancellation
  - $\,\hookrightarrow\,$  only in subleading (below NLO EW) corrections
- possible solution: assign a phase to  $G_{\mu}$  to make  $\alpha$  real?
- Example with stable top quarks and unstable W bosons
  - $\,\hookrightarrow\,$  imaginary residue of UV pole remains uncancelled
- solution: always consider fully decayed particles?

#### HOW TO HANDLE THE COMPLEX PHASE OF α?

In the G<sub>µ</sub>-scheme for example, α is defined as:

 $\alpha^{(CMS,G_{\mu})} = \frac{\sqrt{2}G_I}{\pi} \frac{M_W^{(CMS)2} - M_W^{(CMS)4}}{M_Z^{(CMS)2}} \longrightarrow \text{Should be complex!}$ 

+ In practice the complex phase is irrelevant because the matrix elements factorize  $|\alpha|$ . However, in subleading blobs, one can have:



#### COMPLEX MASS SCHEME ISSUES

[talk by V. Hirschi]

. Is there anyway to salvage the CMS with unstable final states?

Relevant case:  $p p > t t \sim (+jets)$ 

p p > t t~ : Can set all widths to zero, so OK.

 $p p > t t \sim j$ : Must retain the weak bosons width. Is **WT=0** ok?

Probably not! Because the following bubble has an imaginary residue of UV pole that remains uncancelled:



Any easy solution within the CMS? Or is one forced to always consider fully decayed particles?

Notice that the top width offshell effect  $(O(\Gamma_t/m_t))$  are anyway of the same order.

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Pseudo-resonances arise in QCD–EW interference contributions

(no squared propagator; in CMS regularized by respective particle width)

- Ways out if external on-shell W bosons need to be used (CMS not applicable):
  - introduce small (gauge-invariance breaking) regulator width
  - apply technical phase-space cuts around the propagator poles

#### Other (best?) way out: Never treat unstable particles as stable external states!

#### [talk by C. Reuschle] Wbb FOR PROOF OF CONCEPT: PSEUDO-RESONANCES 18 NLO EW corrections to VBS ▶ In our contributions: interferences with massive VB propagators, e.g. in g<sup>2</sup>e<sup>1</sup> tree × g<sup>2</sup>e<sup>3</sup> loop. Singular when massive VB propagator momentum turns on-shell These pop up in only one diagrammatic side of the interferences, e.g. in p<sup>2</sup>e<sup>3</sup> loop but not p<sup>2</sup>e<sup>1</sup> tree there are no physical resonances, but the integrator still has to integrate over singular regions. $pp \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu_\mu e^+ \nu_e jj\gamma$ Technical resonance cuts with δ<sub>r</sub> = 0.25 GeV: In the literature, for on-shell W the question is: \* W\* with CM connected to on-shell W without CM $m_l - \delta_r < \sqrt{|(p_W + p_b)^2|} < m_l + \delta_r$ (via $\gamma$ -radiation or -exchange) $\rightarrow$ soft sing. turn into logs of widths $m_h - \delta_r < \sqrt{|(p_h + p_h)^2|} < m_h + \delta_r$ \* Polarization sums: What to use for M<sub>w</sub> for an $m_Z - \delta_t < \sqrt{|(p_h + p_h)^2|} < m_Z + \delta_t$ on-shell W in CM scheme? Literature: In the CM scheme "the on-shell Why? No complex-mass (CM) scheme vet. prescription should be abandoned". Lised zero widths for now (with up to 8-point functions) Various approaches to regulate pseudo-resonant Z, H and t if not using CM scheme: Cut on events with large K-factor [GoSam (+MadDipole), Chiesa, Greiner, Tramontano, arXiv:1507.08579] Implement technical width in critical propagators IOpenLoops (+Sherpa,+Munich), Kallweit, Lindert, Maierhöfer, Pozzorini, Schönherr, arXiv:1412.51571

- We cut on inv. masses in all contributions: no gauge inv. violation, but restricts phase space.
- So:
- With CMs regulating soft singularities, one should not worry about soft W<sup>\*</sup> → Wγ; soft sing, turn into logs of widths; they will pop up also in virt and one accepts them. Simple in PS slicing: leave out soft eikonal for  $W^* \rightarrow W\gamma$ . How about in a subtraction scheme?
- What about other issues if wanting to use CM. like gauge inv. violation due to polarizations of on-shell Ws? Is the only way to always run (computationally expensive) fully off-shell?

#### [talk by M. Pellen]

 $\rightarrow$  NLO EW corrections are of order  $O(\alpha^7)$ → Include all possible real photonic corrections



→ Include all virtual corrections



### NLO EW automation

- Discussion and solutions for the before-mentioned topics (and relates ones)
   suggestion for realistic EW (and mixed QCD-EW) uncertainty estimates
- Numerical investigation of the impact of "democratic clustering" against other possible prescriptions, on di-jet or  $W(\rightarrow l\nu)$ +jet (or even  $W(\rightarrow l\nu)$ +2jets) as a sample process.
- Numerical investigation of the impact of different pseudo-resonance treatments in processes with external vector bosons treated as stable, on *W*+2jets as a sample process

#### Amplitudes and ingredients of higher-order calculations

#### [introductory talk by G. Heinrich]



#### Prospects in amplitudes and four-dimensional approaches:

- Distribution of multi-loop results
- Four-dimensional methods at NLO/NNLO
- Progress in two-loop amplitudes

#### Distribution of multi-loop results

- Idea to build a database for master integrals
  - easy search for Feynman graphs
  - links to literature
  - explicit results ready for download
- Extension beyond only integrals proposed (e.g. multiloop form factors)



 $\Rightarrow$  Loopedia

 $\Rightarrow$  use **UFO** format

[talk by V. Hirschi]



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## The Loop-Tree Duality

- New algorithm/regularization scheme for higher-orders in perturbative QFT
- Local cancellation of IR and UV singularities (IR unsubtracted and 4-dim.)
- Simultaneous generation of real and virtual corrections advantageous, particularly for multi-leg processes (at NLO level, so far).
- Outlook: automation and fully differential multi-leg at NNLO (and beyond)



Comparison with DREG				
DREG	LTD / FDU			
<ul> <li>Modify the dimensions of the space-</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Computations without altering the</li></ul>			
time to d = 4-2e	d=4 space-time dimensions <sup>1</sup>			
Singularities manifest after	Singularities killed before			
integration as 1/e poles:     IR cancelled through suitable	integration:     Unsubtracted summation over			
subtraction terms, which need	degenerate IR states at			
to be integrated over the	integrand level through a			
unresolved phase-space     UV renormalized	suitable momentum mapping     UV through local counter-terms			
<ul> <li>Virtual and real contributions are</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Virtual and real contributions are</li></ul>			
considered separately: phase-space	considered simultaneously: more			
with different number of final-state	efficient Monte Carlo implementation			
particles	and fully differential			

<sup>1</sup> Gnendiger et al., To d, or not to d: Recent developments and comparisons of regularization schemes, arXiv:1705.01827

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[talk by F. Driencourt-Mangin]

#### Loop amplitudes: The numerical approach

- Local subtraction terms for loop amplitudes
- Loop-tree duality to re-write cyclic-ordered one-loop amplitude
- Contour deformation
- Cancellations at the integrand level (with UV divergences, non-zero spins and initial-state partons)
- only simple integrals analytically, to reproduce the finite terms associated to a given renormalisation/factorisation scheme

[talk by S. Weinzierl]

Cancellations at the integrand level  

$$\int_{n+1} d\sigma^n + \int_n d\sigma^v = \int_{n+1} \left( d\sigma^n - d\sigma_{ik}^n \right) + \int_{n} (1+L) \otimes d\sigma^n + \int_{n-1} \int_{n} \left( d\sigma^v - d\sigma_{iv}^n \right)$$
• At NLO both  $d\sigma_{ik}^n$  and  $d\sigma_{iv}^n$  are easily integrated analytically.  
• This is no longer true at NNLO and beyond.

$$\int_{a} (\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{L}) = \int_{a} \left[ \int_{1} d\sigma_{\mathrm{R}}^{\mathrm{A}} + \int_{\mathrm{hop}} d\sigma_{\mathrm{V}}^{\mathrm{A}} + d\sigma_{\mathrm{CT}}^{\mathrm{V}} + d\sigma^{\mathrm{C}} \right]$$

- Unresolved phase space is (D-1)-dimensional.
- Loop momentum space is D-dimensional
- dσ<sup>V</sup><sub>CT</sub> counterterm from renormalisation
- dσ<sup>C</sup> counterterm from factorisation



### Amplitudes and ingredients of higher-order calculations

- Standards for public multi-loop results: come up with Drell-Yan as an example for tool-chain at various levels in UFO format
  - Merge this approach with the Loopedia project (original plan: only integrals)?
- Working out standards for providing two-loop amplitudes to combine them with other building blocks making up a NNLO fixed-order calculation
- Reasonable project on four-dimensional methods under discussion

#### Progress in two-loop amplitudes



 $\bullet~$  "State of the art is moving towards 2  $\rightarrow$  3 processes"

- Update the processes computed since release since the last wishlist (correct for out-dated process information, make details more precise)
- Add new required processes to the new wishlist
- Provide references for the calculations
- Provide links to relevant measurements
- Add information on required experimental precision
- Promote the Les Houches wishlist to a reference for SM processes, saying which fixed-order calculations are available at which order (make sure that also applied approximations are visible)