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2<sup>nd</sup> workstop

“Theory for muon-electron scattering @ 10ppm”

# From matrix elements to a NNLO parton-level Monte Carlo for $\mu$ - $e$ scattering

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# the problem of precision calculation

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- loop integrals become **harder** the more masses are introduced → treat fermions massless wherever possible
- phase-space integrals become **easier** when more masses are introduced → keep fermion masses wherever possible
- fermions have masses **but** with large separation

## use this to our advantage

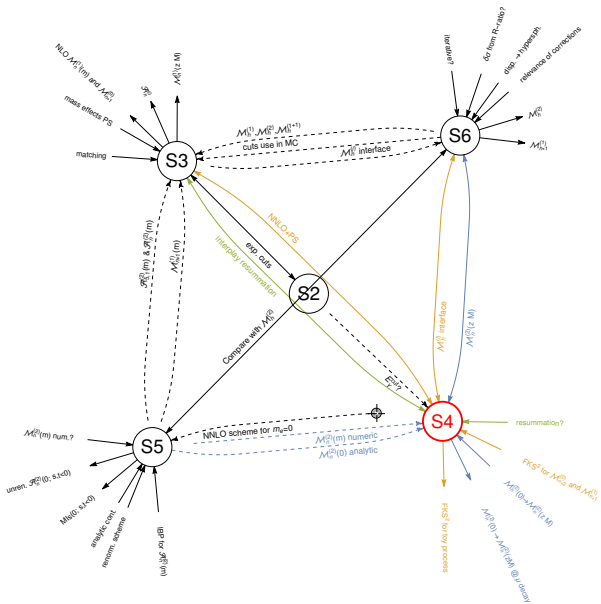
- calculate the two-loop integrals without masses
- do some magic (aka. SCET-ish) to obtain small-mass expansion of two-loop matrix element
- calculate phase-space integrals numerically with  $m > 0$  exactly
- result is correct up to  $\mathcal{O}(z)$

we assume:

- LO and NLO calculation w/ full  $m$  dependence
- $\mathcal{M}_n^{(2)}(0)$  is known (see S5 tomorrow)
- $\mathcal{M}_n^{(2)}(m)$  may be possible numerically (cross check)

we want to provide:

- fully differential MC up to NNLO
- drop terms suppressed by  $\alpha^2 z$  (rel. to LO)
- keep  $\alpha z^n$  and  $\alpha^2 (\ln z)^n$





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“massification” of  $\mathcal{M}_n^{(2)}$

Use SCET inspired way to relate  $m = 0 \rightarrow m \neq 0$  [Becher, Melnikov 07]

( $\sim$  fragmentation function approach)

Form factor: (only one external mass  $m \ll Q^2 = s$ )

$$F(s, m) = Z_J(m^2) S(s, m) \tilde{F}(s) + \mathcal{O}(m^2/s)$$

- $S(s, m)$ : soft function, only contributions from vacuum polarization diagrams with massive fermions,  $\supset \ln(m^2/s)$
- $Z_J(m^2)$ : jet fct., independent of hard scale  $s$ ,  $\supset \ln(m^2/m_i^2)$
- $\tilde{F}(s)$ : massless form factor
- factorisation  $\leftrightarrow$  resummation via RG equations

used for Bhabha scattering (one mass  $m \ll s, t, u$ ) [Becher, Melnikov 07]

$$m = 0 \rightarrow m \neq 0$$

- extend this to processes with two external masses,  $M$  and  $m$  (in QCD)
- calculate simplest example  $t(p) \rightarrow b(q) + W^\pm$  and compare with  $\gamma^* \rightarrow q\bar{q}$  (replace  $t$  with  $\mu$  etc)
- identify momentum regions  $h$ ,  $c$ ,  $s$  and  $us$  (drops out)
- reduction mixes soft/collinear regions confusingly  $\Rightarrow$  do this at the diagram level
- $F_{t \rightarrow bW^\pm}(zM) = \mathcal{S} \times \sqrt{Z_q} \times F_{t \rightarrow bW^\pm}(0)$   
 $F_{\gamma^* \rightarrow q\bar{q}}(zM) = \mathcal{S}' \times \sqrt{Z_q} \times \sqrt{Z_q} \times F_{\gamma^* \rightarrow q\bar{q}}(0)$
- $\mu$ - $e$  scattering and  $\gamma^* \rightarrow q\bar{q}$  have  $\bar{c}$  regions

- soft

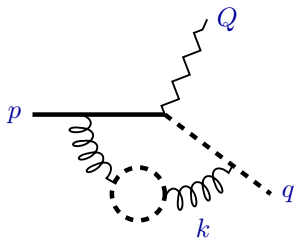
$$\propto \int \frac{\Pi^{(n_m)}(k)}{(k^2)^2(2p \cdot k)(2q_- \cdot k)} = \infty$$

- factorisation anomaly!

⇒ analytic regularisation

$$\int \frac{\Pi^{(n_m)}(k)}{(k^2)^2(2p \cdot k)^{1+\eta}(2q_- \cdot k)} \propto \frac{m^{-\eta}}{\eta}$$

- $Z_q \supset -\frac{s^\eta}{\eta}$ , inducing  $\log \frac{s}{m}$
- new feature for  $m \ll M$
- in  $\gamma^* \rightarrow q\bar{q}$  cancelled in product  
 $\sqrt{Z_q} \times \sqrt{Z_q}$



- collinear contributions  $\sqrt{Z_q}$  and  $\sqrt{\bar{Z}_q}$  known
- what are the induced logs?
- loop corrections break scaling symmetry of SCET, introducing factorisation anomaly
- we need  $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$  of  $\mathcal{M}_n^{(1)}(0)$ ,  $\mathcal{M}_n^{(2)}(0)$  and the process dependent soft function
- error due to the expansion  $\alpha^2 \mathcal{O}(10^{-3})$



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# FKS<sup>2</sup>: double-soft extension of FKS

## The FKS formalism at NLO

- no collinear singularities in  $\mu-e \rightarrow$  very simple scheme
- everything that vegas sees needs to be finite!
- let  $E_\gamma \propto \xi$ , introduce arbitrary  $0 < \xi_{\text{cut}} \leq 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \underbrace{d\phi_{n+1}}_{\propto \xi^{1-2\epsilon} d\xi} \underbrace{\mathcal{M}_{n+1}^{(0)}}_{\supset \xi^{-2}} &\propto d\phi_n \times d\xi d\Omega \underbrace{\xi^{-1-2\epsilon} \left( \xi^2 \mathcal{M}_{n+1}^{(0)} \right)}_{\text{reg. } \xi \rightarrow 0} \\
 &\propto d\Omega \left( \underbrace{-\frac{\xi_{\text{cut}}^{-2\epsilon}}{2\epsilon} \delta(\xi)}_{(s)} + \underbrace{(\xi^{-1-2\epsilon})_{\xi_{\text{cut}}}}_{(h)} \right) \left( \xi^2 \mathcal{M}_{n+1}^{(0)} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

with  $\int d\xi (\xi^n)_{\xi_{\text{cut}}} f(\xi) = \int d\xi \xi^n \left( f(\xi) - f(0)\theta(\xi_{\text{cut}} - \xi) \right)$

- $d\sigma^{(h)}$  is finite  $\Rightarrow \epsilon \rightarrow 0$  numerically
- $d\sigma^{(s)}$  is 'trivial' because of  $\delta(\xi)$

$$\begin{aligned} d\sigma^{(s)} &\propto \frac{\xi_{\text{cut}}^{-2\epsilon}}{2\epsilon} \int d\Omega \left( \xi^2 \mathcal{M}_{n+1}^{(0)} \right)_{\xi=0} \\ &\propto \frac{\xi_{\text{cut}}^{-2\epsilon}}{2\epsilon} \mathcal{M}_n^{(0)} \int d\Omega \mathcal{E} \\ &= \hat{\mathcal{E}}(\xi_{\text{cut}}) \mathcal{M}_n^{(0)} \end{aligned}$$

- eikonal  $\mathcal{E}$  is build from building blocks
- $\hat{\mathcal{E}}\mathcal{M}_n^{(0)} + \mathcal{M}_n^{(1)} = \text{finite}$  (KLN)
- use  $\xi_{\text{cut}}$  to test implementation (any IR safe  $\frac{d^n \sigma}{dx_1 \dots dx_n}$  can't depend on  $\xi_{\text{cut}}$ )

term 1:  $\mathcal{M}_{n+1}^{(1)}$  (real  $\times$  virtual)

- like NLO, but  $d\sigma^{(h)} \propto \mathcal{M}_{n+1}^{(1)}$  is not finite  $\Rightarrow$  split further
  - chop the pole (and induced terms):  $\overline{\text{MS}}$ -like subtraction
  - $\mathcal{M}_{n+1}^{(1)} = \underbrace{\mathcal{M}_{n+1}^{(1)f}}_{\Rightarrow d\sigma^{(fin)}} - \hat{\mathcal{E}}(\xi_{\text{cut}}^2) \underbrace{\mathcal{M}_{n+1}^{(0)}}_{\Rightarrow d\sigma^{(sin)}} : \text{eikonal subtraction}$

$\mathcal{M}_{n+1}^{(1)f}$  is finite (KLN of the  $n + 1$  process)

- $d\sigma^{(fin)}$  and  $d\sigma^{(sin)}$  depend on two a-priori different  $\xi_{\text{cut}}^i$
- $d\sigma^{(fin)}$  is now finite  $\Rightarrow \epsilon \rightarrow 0$
- we postpone

$$d\sigma^{(sin)} \equiv -\mathcal{I}(\xi_{\text{cut}}^1, \xi_{\text{cut}}^2) \propto \int_{\xi_{\text{cut}}^1} \hat{\mathcal{E}}(\xi_{\text{cut}}^2) (\xi^2 \mathcal{M}_{n+1}^{(0)})$$

term 2:  $\mathcal{M}_{n+2}^{(0)}$  (real  $\times$  real)

- do normal FKS twice with two  $\xi_{\text{cut}}$ , but ( $h$ ) mixes with ( $s$ )

$$d\sigma_{n+2} = \underbrace{d\sigma^{(hh)}}_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} + \underbrace{d\sigma^{(ss)}}_{\hat{\mathcal{E}}(\xi_{\text{cut}}^A) \hat{\mathcal{E}}(\xi_{\text{cut}}^B)} + d\sigma^{(hs)} + d\sigma^{(sh)}$$

- mixed terms  $d\sigma^{(hs)}$  are troublesome

$$d\sigma^{(hs)} \propto \frac{1}{2!} \int_{\xi_{\text{cut}}^A} \hat{\mathcal{E}}(\xi_{\text{cut}}^B) (\xi^2 \mathcal{M}_{n+1}^{(0)}) = \frac{1}{2!} \mathcal{I}(\xi_{\text{cut}}^A, \xi_{\text{cut}}^B)$$

- luckily  $d\sigma^{(aux)} \equiv d\sigma^{(sin)} + d\sigma^{(hs)} + d\sigma^{(sh)} = 0$  if all  $\xi_{\text{cut}}^i$  are equal
- the sum  $d\sigma^{(ss)} + d\sigma^{(s)} + d\sigma^{(aux)} + d\sigma_{VV}(m)$  is finite (KLN)

## assumptions

- $\mathcal{M}_n^{(1)}(m)$  is known up to  $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^1)$   
 $\Rightarrow$  annoying but not a real bottle-neck
- poles of  $\mathcal{M}_n^{(2)}(m)$  known exactly (prediction from SCET)
- finite part of  $\mathcal{M}_n^{(2)}(m)$  or  $\mathcal{M}_n^{(2)}(zM)$  introducing an error  $\mathcal{O}(m/\{s, t, M\})$
- $\mathcal{M}_{n+1}^{(1)}(m)$  can be implemented in FORTRAN numerically stable

scheme tested for  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}$

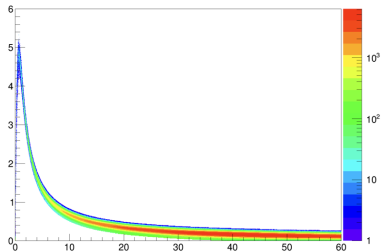
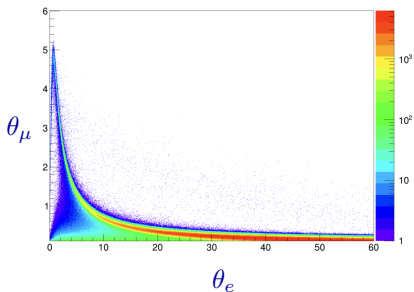
next: test for  $\mu$  decay



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# Resummation

- resumming  $\log m$  by  $Z_q$
- resumming cuts  $\Rightarrow$  simple, not too stringent





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# Open Questions

calculate  $\propto q^4 (qQ)^2$  MC integrator

- rotate toy process  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}$
- $\mathcal{A}_{5,1}^{(2)}(m)$  from [Bernreuther et al. 04]
- $\mathcal{A}_{4,1}^{(1)} \times \mathcal{A}_{2,1}^{(0)}$  with full  $m$  dependence (x-check GoSam?)
- result has full  $m$  dependence
- tests massification
- compare S3's PS
- $ep$  scattering with  $m_\gamma > 0$  [Bucoveanu, Spiesberger 18]

$$\mathcal{M}_n^{(2)}(zM)$$

- we need  $\mathcal{M}_n^{(2)}(0)$  from S5
- can we cross check our expansion in a sensible way, S5?
- we need to compute the soft function  $\mathcal{S}$

## fixed order MC

- we need  $\mathcal{M}_{n+1}^{(1)}(m)$ . anybody fancy doing that?
- what cuts do we want? (not important just yet)
- can we actually implement this without messing up?

## resummation

- what needs to be resummed?  $\log m$ ?  $\log E_\gamma^{\text{cut}}$ ?
- how would we go about resumming  $\log E_\gamma^{\text{cut}}$ ?

... mostly because they aren't worked out yet

- a whole lot of details
- hadronic contributions
- can we cross check our Monte Carlo using reverse unitarity?
- can we magic up the  $\mathcal{O}(z)$  terms?