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Leptonic processes at NNLO & beyond

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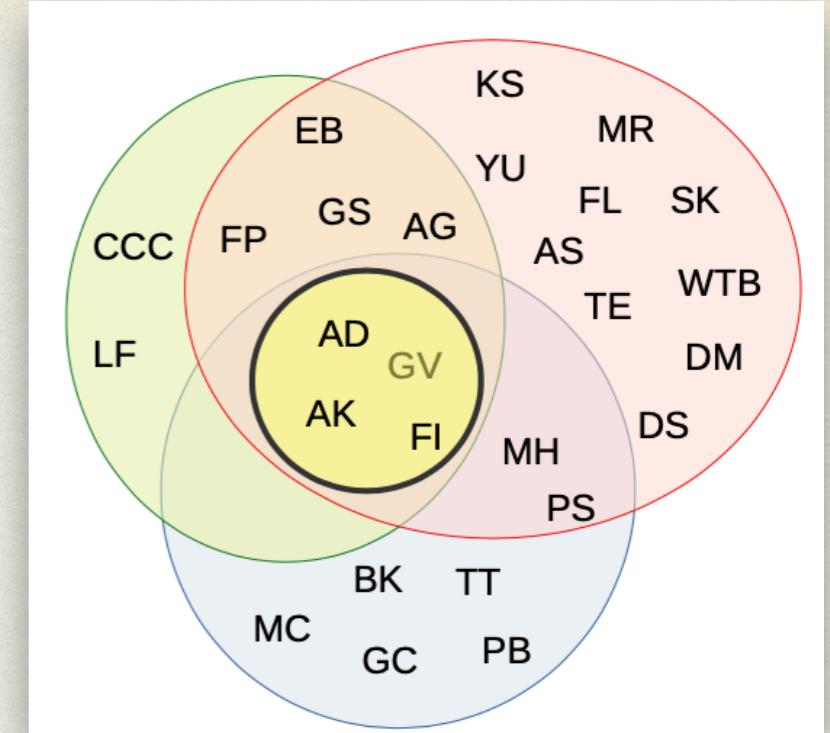
Outline

- Summary of WP1
- Perspectives on electron-muon scattering w/ $m_e^2 \neq 0$
- Future directions

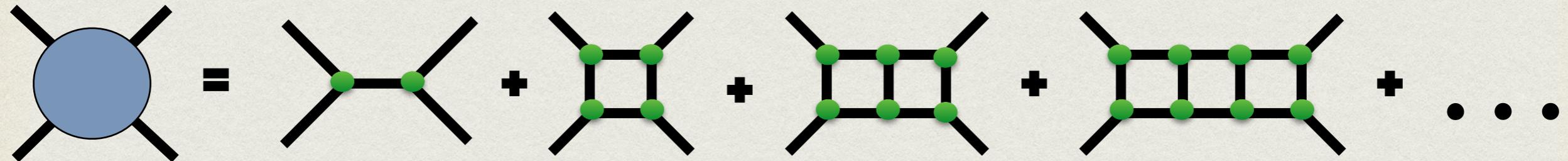
WP1

- From Diagrams to Amplitudes :: **WTB**
- From Amplitudes to Cross sections :: **TE**
- From Cross sections to Event :: **YU**

- Dispersive Approach to Massive two-loop Amplitudes :: **AG**



Standard approach @multi-loop level



Draw all Feynman diagrams

Generate integrands

Profit of DimReg

Use Integration-By-Parts
identities

Sector Decomposition

Tropical geometry

Numerically

LTD approach

Evaluate integrals

Analytically

Diff. Eqs.

$e\mu$ -scattering @ NNLO

$$\mu^+(p_1) + e^-(p_2) \rightarrow \mu^+(p_3) + e^-(p_4)$$

Muon-electron scattering at NNLO

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Anatomy

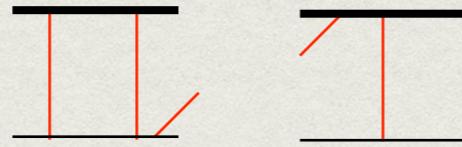
- Real-Real contribution
Tree-level ($n+2$)-particles



$$s = (p_1 + p_2)^2, \quad t = (p_2 - p_3)^2,$$

$$u = (p_1 - p_3)^2, \quad s + t + u = 2M^2.$$

- Real-Virtual Contribution
one-loop ($n+1$)-particles



[OpenLoops framework]

- Virtual-Virtual Contribution
two-loop n -particles



[Mandal, Mastrolia, Ronca, WJT et al (2021)]

$$\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO} \sim \int d\Phi_{m+2} d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO}^{RR} + \int d\Phi_{m+1} d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO}^{RV} + \int d\Phi_m d\hat{\sigma}_{NNLO}^{VV}$$

+ Subtractions & MC integrations



[McMule framework]

$e\mu$ -scattering @ NNLO

<<Engel

assume $\Delta_{n,n+1,n+2}^{(0),(\mu)}$ known, $\Delta_n^{(2)}$ known with $m_e = 0$

steps

- ① massification
- ② HVP corrections
- ③ IR divergences
- ④ numerical stability

QED vs. QCD

- ⊕ leg me physical
- ⊕ only soft div.
- ⊖ $E_\gamma \ll m_e \ll Q$

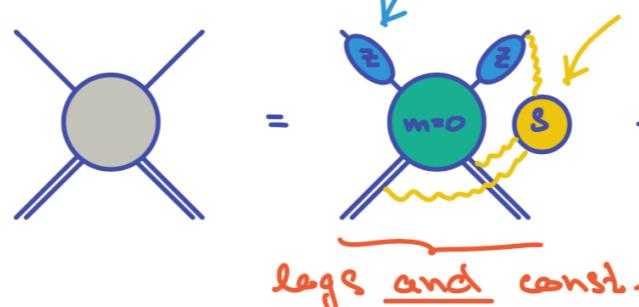
① Massification [Hilov, Moch 07; Beeher, Helvitskov 07; Melville 18] 3/7

↗@2-loop ↗ heavy particle

hierarchy $p_j^2 = m_j^2 \ll Q^2$

process indep. \rightarrow extract from simple process with MoR

factorisation



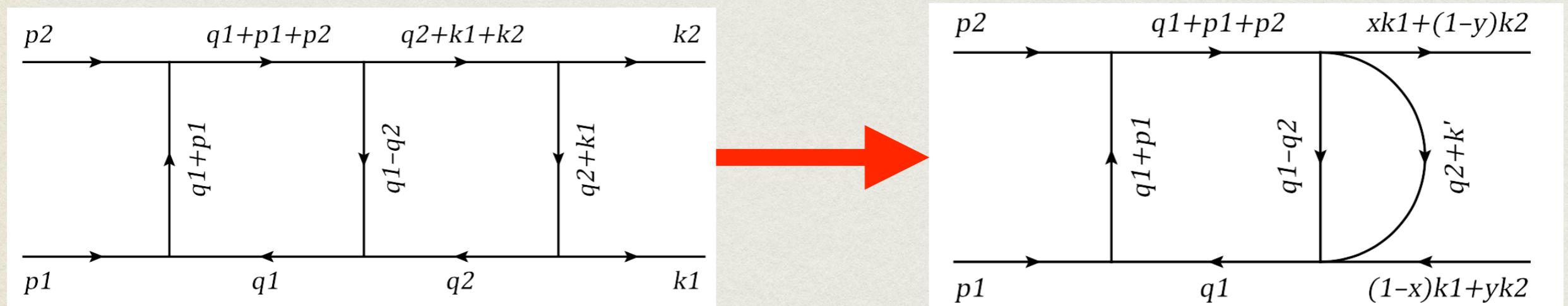
\downarrow + fermion loops
 \downarrow $O(m)$ \rightarrow more details in WP2

cancels $1/\eta$ in $Z^{(2)}$

$e\mu$ -scattering @ NNLO

<<Gurgone

- Dispersive Approach to Massive Two-Loop Amplitudes



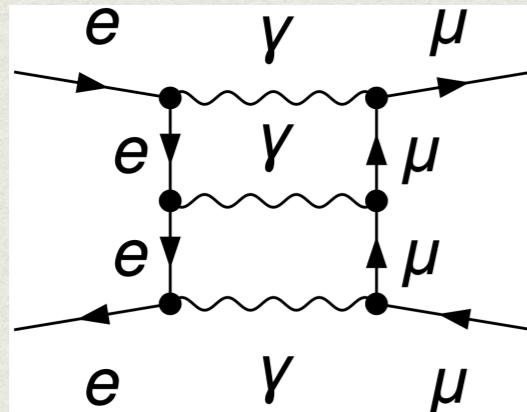
$$= - \int dx dy \left\{ \int_{\sigma_0}^{\infty} d\sigma \partial_{m'}^2 \Delta B_0 (\sigma; m'^2, m^2) \left[D_0 (\sigma) - \frac{\sigma_0}{\sigma} D_0 (\sigma_0) \right] + \sigma_0 \partial_{m'}^2 \Delta B_0 (0; m'^2, m^2) D_0 (\sigma_0) \right\}$$

- Use of Feynman parametrisation
- Dispersion relations
- Use 2- & 4-pt one-loop scalar integral

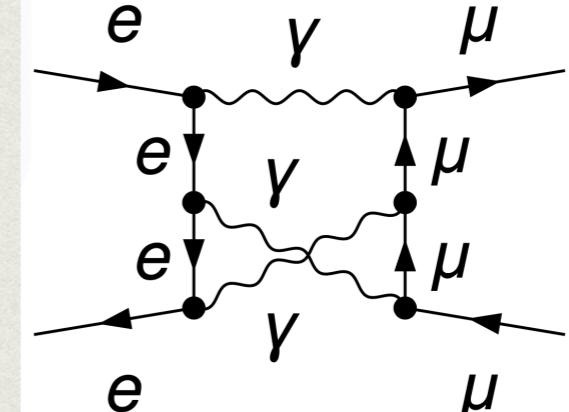
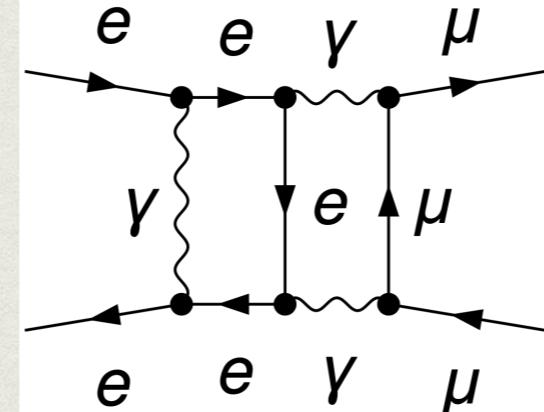
electron-muon scattering w/ $m_e^2 \neq 0$

- Follow diagrammatic approach

What is new & problematic?



[Heller 2021]



- Integration-by-parts identities

FiniteFlow
Kira & FireFly

All IBP reductions easily handled by reconstruction over finite fields

- Numerical evaluation of loop integrals

- Sector Decomposition —> PySecDec, Fiesta
- Auxiliary Mass Flow :: DEQ in $x \sim i0$
- Series expansions :: solve DEQ along path —> DiffExp, SeaSyde
- Tropical integration :: FeynTrop

origin of negative weights

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{\text{NLO}} &= \int d\sigma_n^{(0)} + \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} \int d\sigma_n^{(1)} + \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} \int d\sigma_{n+1}^{(0)} \\ &= \underbrace{\left(d\sigma_n^{(0)} + \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} d\sigma_n^{(1)} + \text{soft}(\omega_c) \right)}_{\text{mostly } > 0} + \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} \int_{\omega > \omega_c} \underbrace{d\sigma_{n+1}^{(0)}}_{> 0} \\ &= \underbrace{\left(d\sigma_n^{(0)} + \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} d\sigma_n^{(1)} + \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} \int d\text{CT} \right)}_{\text{mostly } > 0} + \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} \int \underbrace{\left(d\sigma_{n+1}^{(0)} - d\text{CT} \right)}_{\text{whatever}}\end{aligned}$$

slicing: fairly few negative weights **but** numerically construct $\log(\omega_c)$

subtraction: stable integration **but** lots and lots of negative weights

if $r \times N$ events are negative, you need $\propto 1/(1 - 2r)^2$ events

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if r × N events are negative, you need $\propto 1/(1 -$

cross sections are positive & experiments have finite resolution

algorithm: [Andersen, Maier 2021]

choose *seed event* with $w < 0$ to define a cell \mathcal{C}

add nearby events to \mathcal{C} until $\sum_{i \in \mathcal{C}} w_i > 0$

reweight $w_i \rightarrow \frac{\sum_{j \in \mathcal{C}} w_j}{\sum_{j \in \mathcal{C}} |w_j|} |w_i| > 0$

repeat until all $w_i \geq 0$

if largest cell size is bigger than experimental resolution, need more events

needs proper metric in event space. MUonE

example: $d(e_1, e_2) = \sqrt{|\theta_1^e - \theta_2^e|^2 + |\theta_1^\mu - \theta_2^\mu|^2}$

Recap

- ★ Straightforward generation of integrand from Feynman diagrams
+ available tool for numerical evaluations.

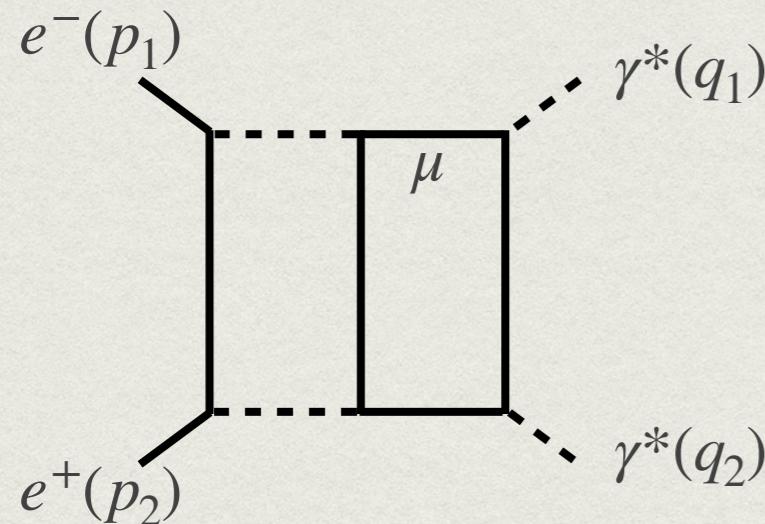
- ★ Clear path for the transition between massless to massive particles.

- ★ Strategies to deal with event generators.

Target processes

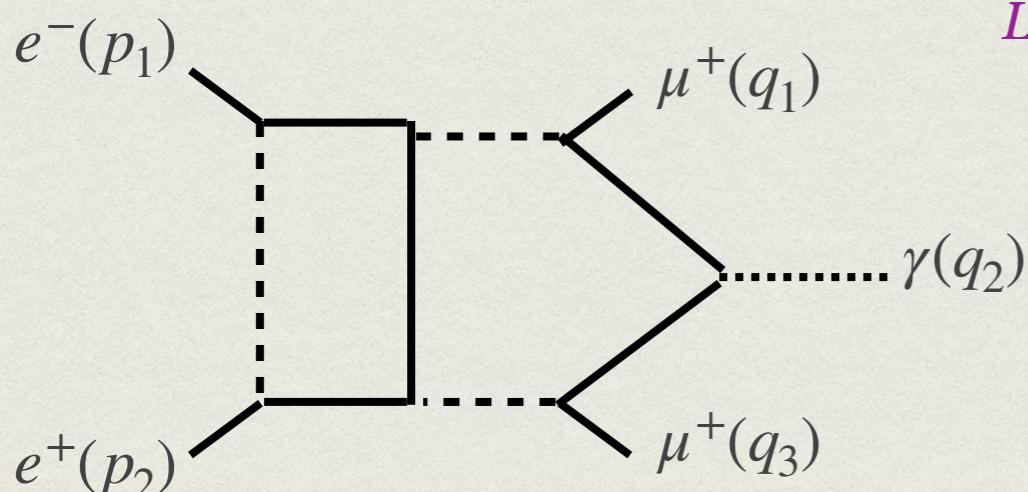
- $e^+e^- \rightarrow y^* y^*$

Loop integrals known → Assemble pieces



- ✿ Massless electrons & on-shell photons ($p_1^2 = p_2^2 = q_1^2 = q_2^2 = 0$) and $m_\mu^2 \neq 0$.
- ✿ Massless electrons, one on-shell photon & one off-shell photon ($p_1^2 = p_2^2 = q_1^2 = 0, q_2^2 \neq 0$) and $m_\mu^2 \neq 0$.
- ✿ Massless electrons and two off-shell photons ($p_1^2 = p_2^2 = 0, q_1^2 \neq q_2^2, q_1^2, q_2^2 \neq 0$) and $m_\mu^2 = 0$.

- $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- y$



Loop integrals known → Assemble pieces

- ✿ Complete massless 5-point process.

Conclusions

- Cross sections @NNLO from Amplitudes —> Understood!
- The high-energy community has done a lot of work —> Let's use it!
- If you are interested to contribute, you are welcome —> This means work!