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MUonE & Muon g - 2 :: How theorists can help

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- what is the background? lots of γ 's, π^0 and pair production, nuclear scattering





- $\begin{array}{c} \textcircled{1} \\ \rightarrow \mathsf{FKS}^\ell \end{array} \text{ fully-differential PS integration} \\ \end{array}$
- 2 virtual amplitudes with massive particles
 - \rightarrow one-loop: OpenLoops
 - \rightarrow two-loop: massification
- 3 numerical instabilities due to pseudo-singularities
 - ightarrow next-to-soft stabilisation



$$\mu e \rightarrow \mu e \quad @ \text{ NNLO}$$

$$E_{\mu,i} = 160 \,\text{GeV} \qquad E_{e,f} > 1 \,\text{GeV} \qquad \theta_{\mu,f} > 0.3 \,\text{mrad}$$

- results for different kinematical scenarios and any IR safe observable
- no mass is neglected



* a restless yet smiling mule after 2.5 CPU years of work

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- NNLO with different external masses [2212.06481]
- precision now $\mathcal{O}(10^{-3/-4})$, would like to reach $\mathcal{O}(10^{-5})$
- we have started thinking about $\rm N^3LO$ dominant corrections
- resummation (analytic & parton shower)



hopefully MUonE does not stop as well



1) problem: PS integration

$\mathsf{FKS}^\ell + \mathrm{DIMREG}$

reproduce and isolate IR behaviour from regions of the phase space where (one or more) real photons are soft:

 $\lim_{\xi \to 0} \xi^2 \, \mathcal{M}_{n+1}^{(\ell)} = \mathcal{E} \, M_n^{(\ell)}$

isolate IR-divergent behaviour from virtual amplitudes:

$$\sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{M}_n^{(\ell)} = e^{-\alpha \hat{\mathcal{E}}} \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{M}_n^{(\ell) f}$$

(3) cancel analytically IR divergences and then integrate numerically in d = 4 over the non-radiative phase space

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full muone 2-loop amplitude with $M \neq 0$, $m = 0 \rightarrow [Bonciani et al. 21]$ full muone 2-loop amplitude with $M \neq 0$, $m \neq 0 \rightarrow [??]$



 \rightarrow exploit scale hierarchy $m^2 \ll M^2, Q^2$

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simple process ($\mu
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- $\mathcal{A}_{\mu}(m) = \mathcal{S} \times Z \times \mathcal{A}_{\mu}(0) + \mathcal{O}(m)$
- $Z \supset \log(m)$: process indep. jet fct.
- $S \supset \log(m)$: process dep. soft fct. (easy)

[Penin 06, Becher, Melnikov 07; Engel, Gnendiger, Signer, Ulrich 18]

different process ($\mu e \rightarrow \mu e$)

• $\mathcal{A}_{\mu e}(m) = \mathcal{S}' \times Z \times Z \times \mathcal{A}_{\mu e}(0) + \mathcal{O}(m)$

based on SCET and method of regions as calculational tool

 \rightarrow massify [Bonciani et al. 21] \rightarrow enhanced + constant terms





real-virtual corrections 'trivial' in principle, extremely delicate numerically

- soft limit (of collinear emission)
- OL4 = OpenLoops in quadruple-precision mode
- OL2 ≡ OpenLoops in double/hybrid-precision mode
- OL2 vs next-to-soft limit
- stability problem solved

 $\begin{bmatrix} |1-M|OL4| \\ 100 \\ 0.1 \\ 0.1 \\ 10^{-4} \\ 10^{-7} \\ 10^{-7} \\ 10^{-7} \\ 10^{-7} \\ 10^{-8} \\ 10^{-5} \\ 10^{-5} \\ 10^{-2} \\ 10^{-2} \\ 0^{-7} \\ 0^{-$

 $\mathsf{OpenLoops} \to [\mathsf{Buccioni}, \mathsf{Pozzorini}, \mathsf{Zoller 18}, \mathsf{Buccioni} \text{ et al. 19}]$

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LBK theorem @ tree-level [Low 58, Burnett, Kroll 67]

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\delta} \left(E_{\gamma \to 0} \mathcal{E} \right) \left(+ D_{\mathsf{LBK}} \right) \left(+ \mathcal{O}(E_{\gamma}^{0}) \right)$$

LBK theorem @ one-loop [Engel, Signer, Ulrich 21]

- $\rightarrow D_{\mathsf{LBK}}$ yields hard contribution in language of MoR (HQET)
- ightarrow generic soft contribution ${\cal S}$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\delta} \mathcal{E}_{\gamma \to 0} \mathcal{E} + \left(D_{\mathsf{LBK}} + \mathcal{S} \right) + \mathcal{O}(E_{\gamma}^{0})$$

 \rightarrow introduce next-to-soft stabilisation [McMule 21, 22]

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