Precise Predictions for H+j production at the LHC

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Plan of the talk

- Brief Introduction
- Theoretical Predictions in the literature
- Some details about the calculation of H+j @ NLO in QCD

H+jet

- Phenomenological importance
  - The Higgs sector of the SM since 2012 is under careful scrutiny to understand whether the H boson is indeed SM-like. Possible portal to New Physics.
  - Many production channels … many parameters to check …
  - The study of H+j is important for many pheno reasons:
    - recoiling against the Higgs system, the jet can reveal a possible substructure of the Higgs boson, therefore distributions are instrumental for the search of NP effect …
    - The high-pt part of the spectrum is sensible to New Physics (i.e. new heavy particles running in the loops) …
- Computational importance
  - H+j is a NLO QCD computation, i.e. the number of Feynman diagrams is quite reduced (~100 ??); however their computation is quite complicated due to the presence of 4 scales (s, t, mt and pH)
  - interesting playground for computational techniques, study of the functional structure of Feynman diagrams etc …

H+jet

- The pt distribution is known at LO in the full theory and at higher orders in the heavy-top limit

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  U. Baur, E. W. N. Glover, Nucl. Phys. B 339 (1990) 38

- In HEFT (infinite top mass) the NNLO QCD corrections are known

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  Phys. Rev. Lett. 115 (2015) 082003
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  R. Boughezal, C. Focke, W. Giele, X. Liu, F. Petriello, Phys. Lett. B748 (2015) 5

- Power in $1/m_t^2$ corrections at NLO in QCD were also calculated

  R. Harlander,T. Neumann, K. J. Ozeren, M. Wiesemann, JHEP 08 (2012) 139
  T. Neumann, M. Wiesemann, JHEP 11 (2014) 150

- Small bottom mass interference effects and asymptotic $p_{t,H} \geq 400\ \mathrm{GeV}$ were also calculated

  K. Melnikov, L. Tancredi, C. Wever, JHEP 11 (2016) 104; Phys. Rev. D95 (2017) 054012
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  K. Kudashkin, K. Melnikov, C. Wever, JHEP 02 (2018) 135
  J. M. Lindert, K. Kudashkin, K. Melnikov, C. Wever, Phys. Lett. B782 (2018) 210

H+jet

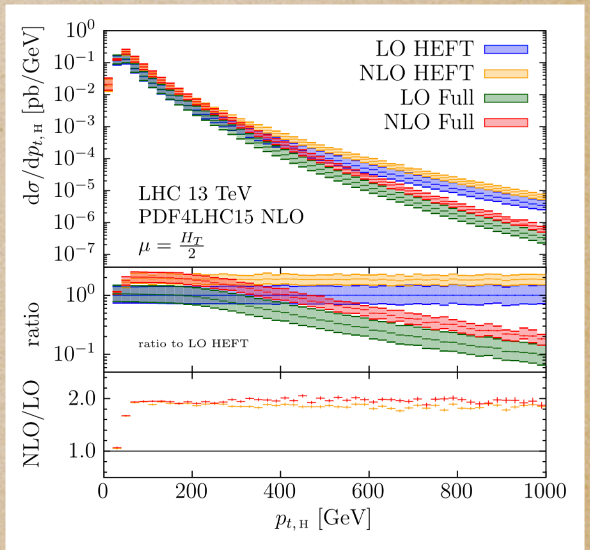
- H+j was computed at NLO in QCD with the full TOP mass dependence

S. P. Jones, M. Kerner, G. Luisoni, Phys. Rev. Lett. 120 (2018) 162001
X.Chen, A.Huss, S.P.Jones, M.Kerner, J.N.Lang, J.M.Lindert, H.Zhang, JHEP 03 (2022) 096

  - Everything except virtual corrections are calculated analytically
  - VIRTUAL: reduction to the Master Integrals, the MIs basis is chosen to be composed by quasi-finite integrals (better numeric convergence)

→ MIs are calculated numerically with SecDec

- Total CS: Corrections from LO to NLO are large (Kf=1.8)
  NLOfull w.r.t. NLOheft ≈ +9%
- $p_{t,H}$ The bands of scales variation at NLO do not overlap anymore for $p_{t,H} \geq 340$ GeV
  But agreement if EFT rescaled with the full LO
- TOP mass renormalised in OS scheme



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- H+j was computed at NLO in QCD with the full dependence on TOP and BOTTOM masses

  R.B., V. Del Duca, H. Frellesvig, M. Hidding, V. Hirschi, F. Moriello, G. Salvatori, G. Somogyi, F. Tramontano, PLB 843 (2023) 137995

  - Master Integrals computed using differential equations solved in expansion
  - Renormalization of the Amplitude done in two different schemes:
    - External fields are renormalised on-shell. α_S is renormalised in a mixed scheme in which light-flavor contribution in $\overline{\text{MS}}$ and heavy-flavor contrib at zero momentum
    - TOP-quark mass and Yukawa OS. TOP-quark mass and Yukawa in $\overline{\text{MS}}$
    - TOP and BOTTOM masses and Yukawas in $\overline{\text{MS}}$
  - Two-Loop 2 -> 2 and One-Loop 2 -> 3 are IR div. We combine them using Dipole Subtraction
  - Several checks at the level of the masters (with AMFlow) and the amplitude
    - Behaviour of the Two-Loop 2 -> 2 amplitude in the soft and collinear limits of one unresolved parton against factorisation formulas
    - Very large pt against Kudashkin-Melnikov-Wever
    - CS and pt for TOP against Chen-Huss-Jones-Kerner-Lang-Lindert-Zhang
  - In the case of $\overline{\text{MS}}$ masses: dynamical evaluation in each point of phase space
  - Implementation in MADGRAPH5_aMC@NLO

H+jet

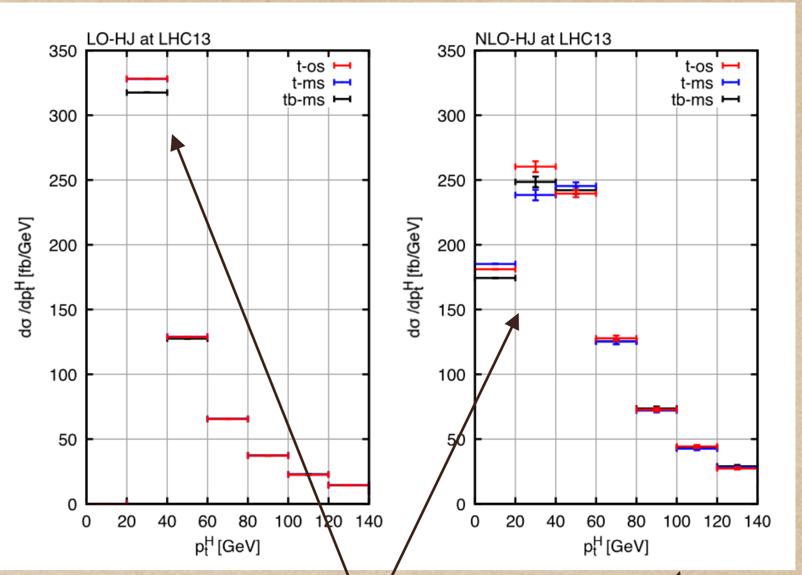
$G_F = 1.16639 \cdot 10^{-5}\,\mathrm{GeV}^{-2}$ $m_H = 125.25\,\mathrm{GeV}$ $m_t^{OS} = 172.5\,\mathrm{GeV}$

$m_t^{\overline{\mathrm{MS}}}(m_t^{\overline{\mathrm{MS}}}) = 163.4\,\mathrm{GeV}$ $m_b^{\overline{\mathrm{MS}}}(m_b^{\overline{\mathrm{MS}}}) = 4.18\,\mathrm{GeV}$

$$\mu_R^0 = \mu_F^0 = \frac{H_T}{2} = \frac{1}{2}\left(\sqrt{m_H^2 + p_{t,H}^2} + \sum_i |p_{t,i}|\right)$$

NNPDF40_nlo_as_01180

Scale variation not shown



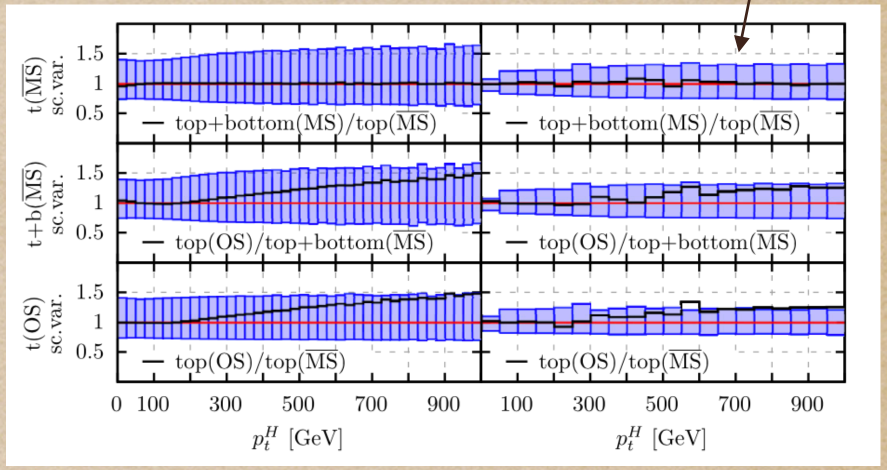
- The t-b interf changes the shape at low pt
- t-b interf irrelevant at medium-high pt (only TOP ok)

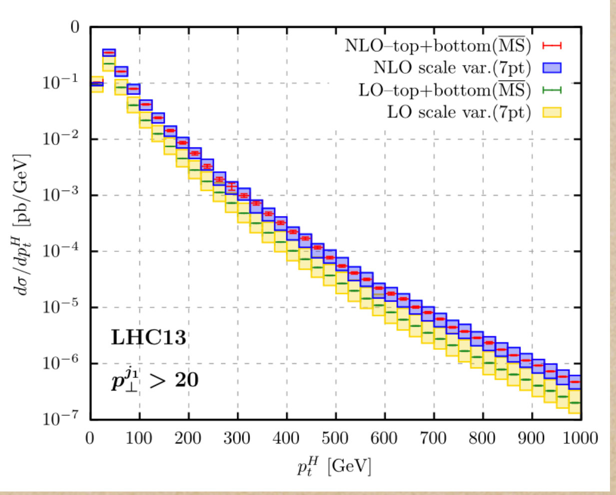
$\boxed{\text{CS with pt>20 GeV}}$

renormalisation of internal masses	σ_{LO} [pb]	σ_{NLO} [pb]
top+bottom–($\overline{\mathrm{MS}}$)	$12.318^{+4.711}_{-3.117}$	$19.89(8)^{+2.84}_{-3.19}$
top–($\overline{\mathrm{MS}}$)	$12.538^{+4.822}_{-3.183}$	$19.90(8)^{+2.66}_{-2.85}$
top–(OS)	$12.551^{+4.933}_{-3.244}$	$20.22(8)^{+3.06}_{-3.09}$

- Big K-factor (~ 2 at the diff level bin-by-bin)
- Scale uncertainty from 30% to 14%
- t-b interf. covers the gap from LO

LO NLO





- Behavior of renormalization: $\overline{\mathrm{MS}}$ falls off faster than OS
- Behavior less pronounced at NLO (as it should ...)

$\boxed{\text{Some more details about the calculation:}}$

Theoretical framework: Perturbative QCD

At LHC hadronic collisions we rely on Factorization Theorem

$$h_1 + h_2 \to H + j + X$$

PDFs: Universal Part
Evolution with Fact scale predicted by the theory

Partonic CS: Process-dep Part
Calculation in PT Theory

$$\sigma_{h_1,h_2} = \sum_{i,j} \int_0^1 dx_1 \int_0^1 dx_2 \, f_{i,h_1}(x_1,\mu_F)\, f_{j,h_2}(x_2,\mu_F)\, \hat{\sigma}_{ij}(\hat{s}, m^2, \alpha_S(\mu_R), \mu_F, \mu_R)$$

NNLO
- S. Moch, J. Vermaseren, A. Vogt, Nucl. Phys. B688 (2004) 101
- A. Vogt, S. Moch, J. Vermaseren, Nucl. Phys. B691 (2004) 129

NNNLO
- S. Moch, B. Ruijl, T. Ueda, J. Vermaseren, A. Vogt, Phys. Lett. B782 (2018) 627
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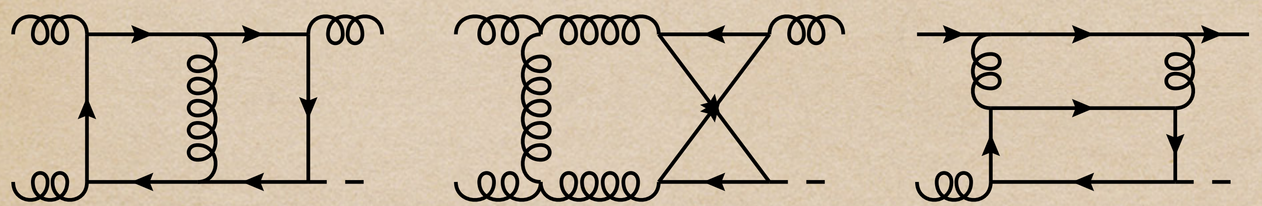
Approximate NNNLO pdfs J. McGowan, et al. Eur. Phys. J. C. 83(3) (2023) 185

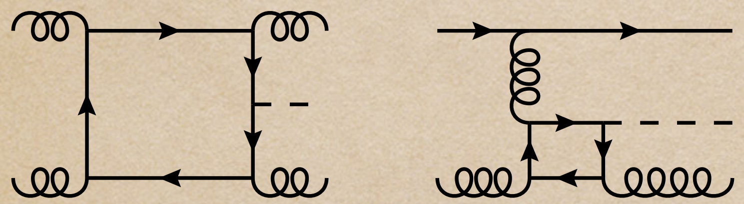
Exact Calculation: Partonic Cross Section

- Two-Loop 2 -> 2 interfered with the One-loop 2 -> 2



$$gg \to Hg$$
$$q\bar{q} \to Hg$$
$$qg \to Hq$$

- One-Loop 2 -> 3 interfered with the One-loop 2 -> 3



Computed with MCFM 9.1

V. Del Duca, W. Kilgore, C. Oleari, C. Schmidt, D. Zeppenfeld, PRL 87 (2001) 122001
L. Budge, J.M. Campbell, G. De Laurentis, R.K. Ellis, S. Seth, JHEP 05 (2020) 079
R.K. Ellis, S. Seth, JHEP 11 (2018) 006
J.M. Campbell, T. Neumann, JHEP 12 (2019) 034

- We renormalize UV divergences both in OS and/or in $\overline{\text{MS}}$
- The two UV-ren sets are still separately IR divergent: we need IR counterterms in a subtraction scheme: we used Dipole Subtraction as implemented in MCFM 9.1

S. Catani and M. H. Seymour, Nucl. Phys. B 485 (1997) 291

Structure of the Amplitude

- Let us focus on the Two-Loop 2 -> 2 amplitude
- Kinematics: $H(p_4) \to g(p_1) + g(p_2) + g(p_3)$ $H(p_4) \to q(p_1) + \bar{q}(p_2) + g(p_3)$

$$s = (p_1 + p_2)^2 \; t = (p_1 + p_3)^2 \; u = (p_2 + p_3)^2 \, ; \quad p_1^2 = p_2^2 = p_3^2 = 0 \, ; \quad s + t + u = p_4^2$$

Integrals function of 3 dimless var: $x_1 = \dfrac{s}{m_t^2} \, ; \; x_2 = \dfrac{t}{m_t^2} \, ; \; x_3 = \dfrac{p_4^2}{m_t^2}$

- The H -> 3g amplitude can be expressed in terms of 4 form factors while the H -> gqqbar amplitude in terms of 2 form factors

T. Gehrmann, M. Jaquier, E. W. N. Glover, A. Koukoutsakis, JHEP 02 (2012) 056

H -> 3g $\qquad \mathcal{M}^{\mu\nu\rho} = A_{212} T_{212}^{\mu\nu\rho} + A_{332} T_{332}^{\mu\nu\rho} + A_{311} T_{311}^{\mu\nu\rho} + A_{312} T_{312}^{\mu\nu\rho}$

H -> gqqbar $\qquad \mathcal{M}^{\mu} = A_1 T_1^{\mu} + A_2 T_2^{\mu}$

- We project the contributions of the Feynman diagrams to the different FF

$$\mathcal{P}_i \cdot \mathcal{M} = A_i$$

where the A_i are expressed in terms of dim reg scalar integrals and then at every order in α_S we have $A_i = A_i(x_1, x_2, x_3, \epsilon)$

Computation of the Amplitude

... goes through the “usual” steps:

- Generation of the Feynman diagrams: QGRAF and FeynArts

  P. Nogueira, J. Comput. Phys. 105 (1993) 279

  T. Hahn, Comput.Phys.Commun. 140 (2001) 418-431

- We computed the Form Factors projecting the single Feyn diags: FORM

  B. Ruijl, T. Ueda and J. A. M. Vermaseren, 1707.06453

- We can renormalize in different schemes. We always renormalize ext fields on-shell. α_S is renormalized in a mixed scheme with light-flavor contrib in $\overline{\mathrm{MS}}$ and heavy-flavor at zero momentum. Masses are renormalized in OS or in $\overline{\mathrm{MS}}$

- The Dim-Regularized scalar integrals were reduced to the MIs using IBP identities as implemented in KIRA and FIRE

  P. Maierhoefer, J. Usovitsch and P. Uwer, Comp. Phys. Commun. 230 (2018) 99

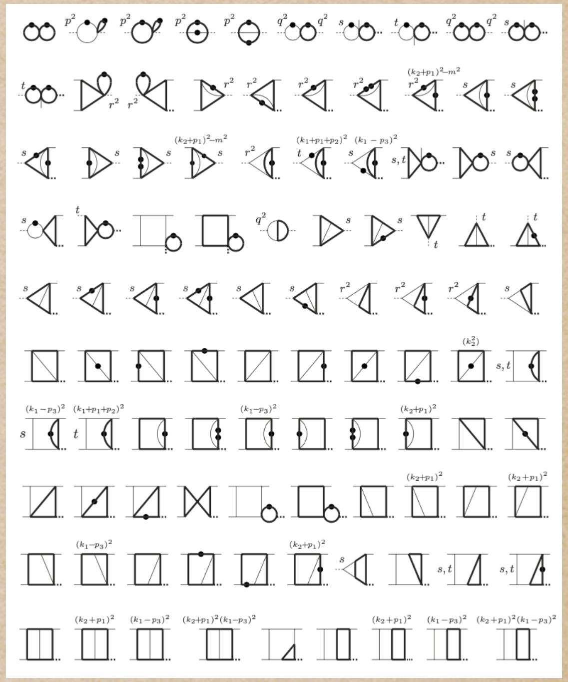
  J. Klappert, F, Lange, P. Maierhoefer and J. Usovitsch, Comput.Phys.Commun. 266 (2021) 108024

  A. A. V. Smirnov, JHEP 10 (2008) 107

  B. A. V. Smirnov, F. S. Chuharev, Comput. Phys. Commun. 247 (2020) 106877

Master Integrals

- We divided the computation in three sets, corresponding to the various topologies



- MIs for the planar topologies A, B, C, D. Analytic approach
  - All of them except 2 sectors with 4 MIs can be expressed in MPLs
  - MPLs sectors “effectively” written instead as a one-fold integration over weight-2 kernels
  - Elliptic sectors: repeated integrations of MPLs over ellipt. kernels

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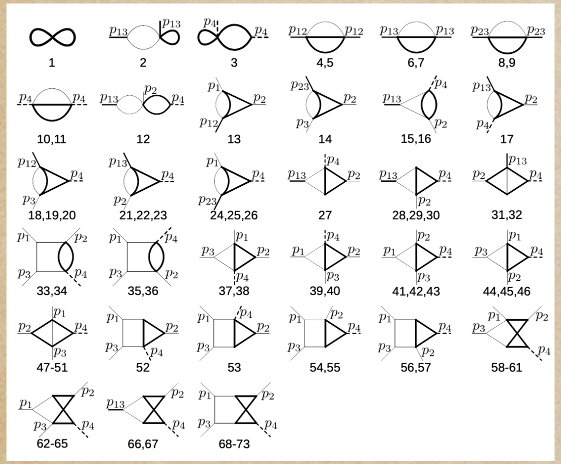

- MIs for the crossed topology G
  - Solved by series expansions

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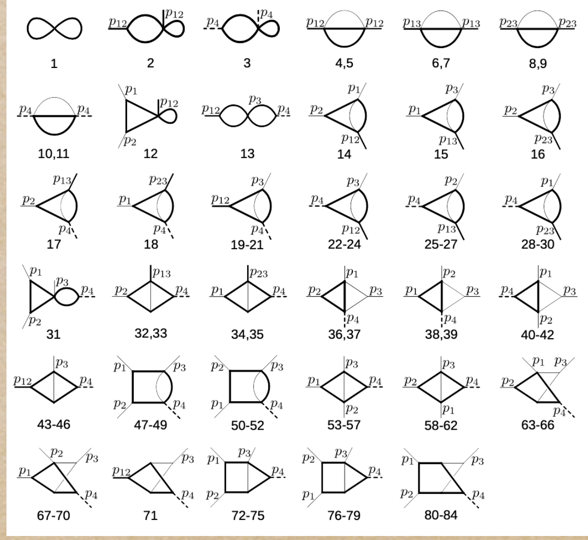

- MIs for the crossed topology F
  - Solved by series expansions

H. Frellesvig, M. Hidding, L. Maestri, F. Moriello, G. Salvatori, JHEP 06 (2020) 093

Elliptic sectors:
A - Homog. Eq. Elliptic; Non-Homog. polylogarithmic
B - Homog. Eq. Polylog; Non-Homog. Elliptic

Differential Equations

- The MIs were computed using the Differential Equations Method

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} f(x,\epsilon) = A_{x_i}(x,\epsilon)\, f(x,\epsilon)$$

V. Kotikov, Phys. Lett. B 254 (1991) 158
Z. Bern, L. J. Dixon and D. A. Kosower, Nucl. Phys. B 412 (1994) 751
E. Remiddi, Nuovo Cim. A 110 (1997) 1435
T. Gehrmann and E. Remiddi, Nucl. Phys. B 580 (2000) 485

- The system of differential equations was put (where possible) in canonical form

$$df(x,\epsilon) = \epsilon\, dA(x)\, f(x,\epsilon)$$

J. M. Henn, Phys. Rev. Lett. 110(2013) 251601
M. Argeri, S. Di Vita, P. Mastrolia, E. Mirabella, J, Schlenk, U. Schubert and L. Tancredi, JHEP 03 (2014) 082

- Although in "polylogarithmic form, square roots prevent a simple solution in iterated integrations. We found weight-2 in Polylog form and expressed weight-4 as a one-fold integration

C. Duhr, H. Gangl, J. R. Rhodes, JHEP 10 (2012) 075
S. Caron-Huot and J. M. Henn, JHEP 06 (2014) 114

- The elliptic sectors where evaluated solving Second-order linear diff eqs that revealed a good behaviour if combined in parametric form

Solution: $\int_0^1 \mathcal{F}(\alpha)\,\{K^i(\alpha), E^i(\alpha)\}\, d\alpha$

Difficult analytic continuation .... Series exp

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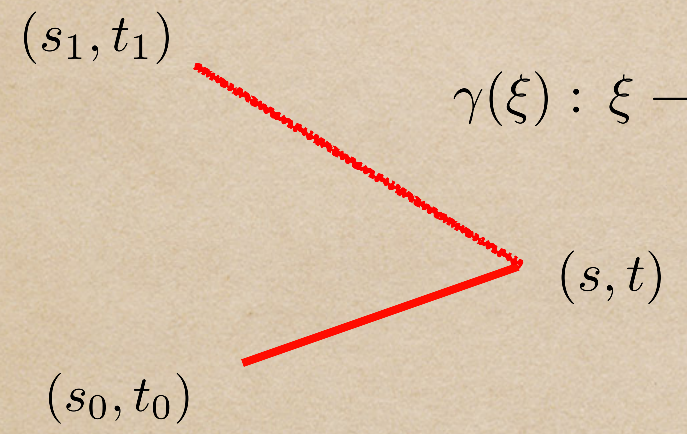
Differential Equations: Semi-analytic evaluation

- The examples above are one-dimensional, but the approach can be generalised to more dimesions and used for a general system of differential equations for the MIs
- The differential equations in s and t are combined and a one-dim diff eq is recovered and solved along a contour connecting two fixed points in the s-t plane

$$\gamma(\xi) : \xi \to \{s(\xi), t(\xi)\}$$



$$\frac{d}{d\xi} f(\xi,\epsilon) = A(\xi,\epsilon)\, f(\xi,\epsilon)$$

$$f(\xi,\epsilon) = \sum_{i=0}^{N} f^{(i)}(\xi)\epsilon^i$$

$$f^{(i)}(\xi) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} c^{(i,j)}(\xi - \xi_0)^j$$

$$f^{(i)}(\xi) = \sum_{j_1 \in S_1} \sum_{j_2=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j_3=0}^{\infty} c^{(i,j_1,j_2,j_3)}(\xi - \xi_0)^{w_{j_1}+j_2} \log^{j_3}(\xi - \xi_0)$$

- Analytical continuation is done expanding in the singular point and matching the series using Feynman prescription for the invariants
- The method is quite efficient and enables to compute fast a point in the phase space with arbitrary precision

F. Moriello, JHEP 01 (2020) 150

- Recently this method was implemented in a Mathematica code: DiffExp

M. Hidding, Comput.Phys.Commun. 269 (2021) 108125

The Calculation in a Nutshell

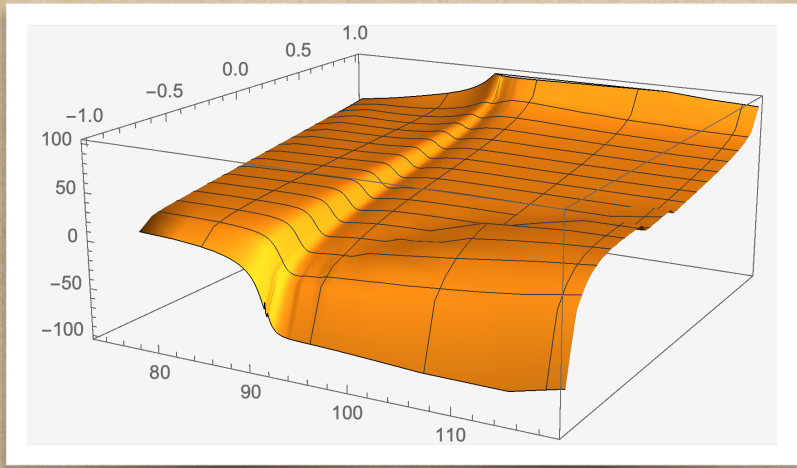
Generation of Feynman Diagrams

Projection on Form Factors

Reduction to the MIs Integration-by-Part IDs

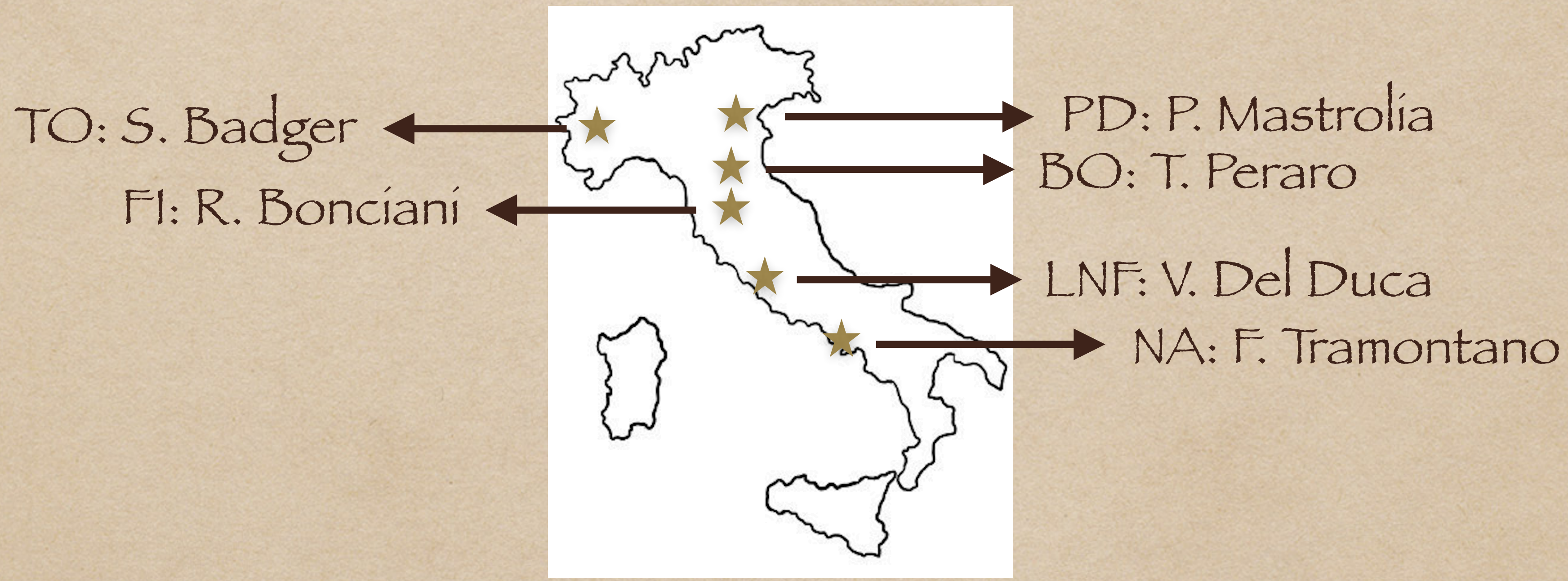
The MIs satisfy systems of 1st-order linear diff eqs

Solution of the system using series expansions



Conclusions

- Progress in Higher-order PT calculations important for the test of the SM at the %-level @ LHC. Possible NP effects.
- This is part of the program of "AMPLITUDES", an INFN Iniziativa Specifica with 6 nodes:



Thank you for your attention!

Problems to face …

- Size of the reduction/size of the coefficients: many MIs, complicated coefficients (many masses and invariants) of MB's
  - Possible simplifications: partial fractions "MultivariateApart", finite fields in "FiniteFlow"

    M. Heller, A. Von Manteuffel, Comput. Phys. Commun. 271 (2022) 108174

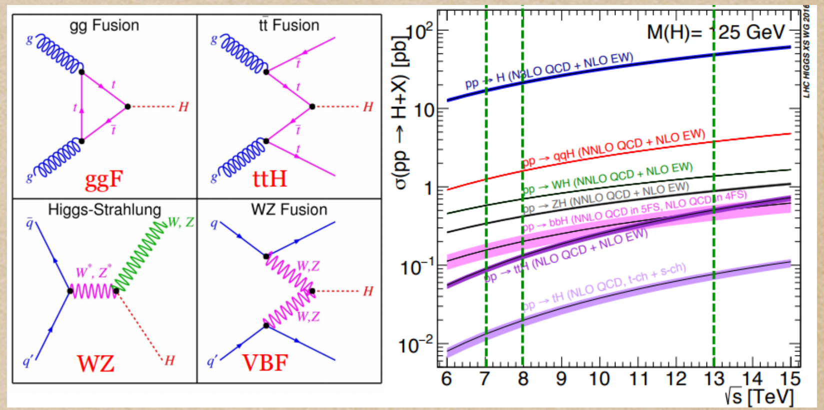
    T. Peraro, HEP 07 (2019) 031
  - Direct numerical evaluation of the reduction?
- Analytic Solution of the Differential Equations in presence of many invariants/masses
  - Although in the Polylogarithmic case … square roots -> difficult evaluation of a closed form
  - Although in closed form, problematic numerical evaluation: big formulas
- Semi-Analytic Evaluation in principle no problem … in practice
  - Big systems -> large evaluation time
- Numeric evaluation (SecDec)?

Higgs Production at the LHC

- Higgs boson detected for the first time in 2012 by ATLAS and CMS collaborations at CERN. Since that date effort of the community for the study of the properties of this particle Standard Model like?

- Higgs boson produced at LHC in many production channels:

gluon gluon fusion (ggF)
vector boson fusion (VBF),
associated production with a vector boson
associated production with a t-tbar pair



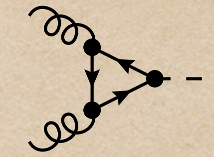
- Although gluon-fusion is a loop-induced process, because the Higgs does not couple directly to gluons, the CS in this channel is one order of magnitude bigger than VBF

- Since gluon-fusion proceeds via a loop of heavy quarks, it is sensible to possible new heavy states running into the loops: $\longrightarrow$ portal to NP effects

In the following, focus on ggF

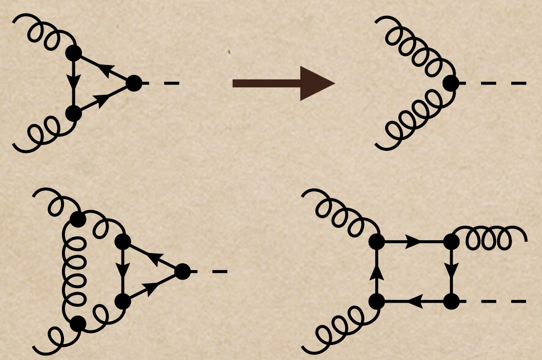
Higgs Production at the LHC

- LO prediction end of the '70



H. M. Georgi, S. L. Glashow, M. E. Machacek, D. V. Nanopoulos, Phys. Rev. Lett. 40 (1978) 642

- NLO QCD corrections in the '90: increase of the CS by 50-70%; scale dependence 30%



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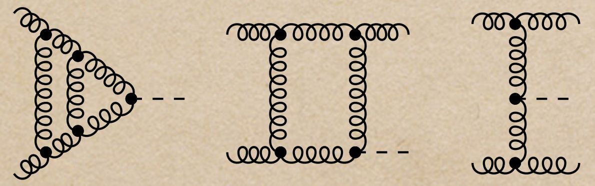
A. Djouadi, M. Spira, P. M. Zerwas, Phys. Lett B 264 (1991) 440

D. Graudenz, M. Spira, P. M. Zerwas, Phys. Rev. Lett. 70 (1993) 1372
M. Spira, A. Djouadi, D. Graudenz, P. M. Zerwas, Nucl. Phys. B 453 (1995) 17

- NNLO QCD corrections in 2002: further increase of the CS by 15% w.r.t. NLO; reduction of the scales dependence to 15-20%



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C. Anastasiou, K. Melnikov, Nucl. Phys. B 646 (2002) 220
V. Ravindran, J. Smith, W. L. Van Neerven, Nucl. Phys. B 665 (2003) 325

- The dynamics of Higgs production is governed by the soft region, where the partonic c.m. energy is near mH (validity of infinite top mass limit). Important Soft-gluon resummation: 6% increase of the CS; residual theoretical uncertainty 10%

S.Catani, D. De Florian, M. Grazzini, P. Nason, JHEP 0307 (2003)028

Higgs Production at the LHC

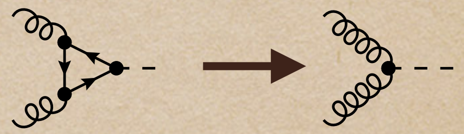
- The state-of-the-art, up to some years ago, was represented by the total ggF CS known at the NNNLO in QCD! Nice convergence of the pt series: moderate increase of the central value but sizeable reduction in the scale dependence w.r.t. NNLO. At 13 TeV and Higgs mass of 125 GeV

$$\sigma = 48.58\ \mathrm{pb}^{+2.22\ \mathrm{pb}\ (4.56\%)}_{-3.27\ \mathrm{pb}\ (-6.72\%)} \pm 1.56\ \mathrm{pb}(3.2\%)$$

It includes mass effects and EW

C. Anastasiou, C. Duhr, F. Dulat, F. Herzog, B. Mistlberger, Phys. Rev. Lett. 114 (2015) 212001
C. Anastasiou, C. Duhr, F. Dulat, E. Furlan, T. Gehrmann, F. Herzog, A. Lazopoulos, B. Mistlberger, JHEP 1615 (2016) 058
B. Mistlberger, JHEP 05 (2018) 028

- The calculation was done in the $m_t \to \infty$ limit



- Inclusive calculation (integration over the whole phase space) with reverse unitarity

C. Anastasiou, K. Melnikov, Nucl. Phys. B646 (2002) 220

- More differential observables in the same limit:

Fiducial CS and Rapidity distribution with Qt subtr.

L. Cieri, X. Chen, T. Gehrmann, E. W. N. Glover, A. Huss, JHEP 02 (2019) 096

Differential CS + resummation up to NNNLL

G. Billis, B. Dehnadi, M. A. Ebert, J. K. L. Michel, F. J. Tackmann, PRL 127 (2021) 072001
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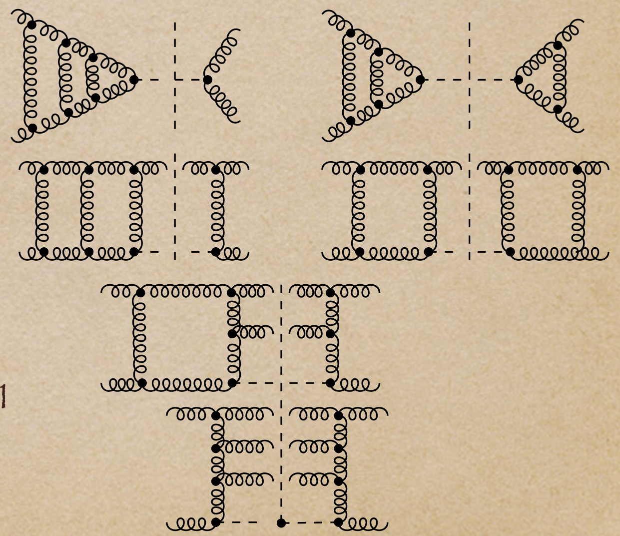

Higgs Production at the LHC

- Due to the extreme accuracy of the NNNLO prediction, it was/is important to look at possible "effects" at the percent level!

In the last 7 years big progress:

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\begin{aligned}
\delta(\text{theory}) &= {}^{+0.13pb}_{-1.20pb} && \left({}^{+0.28\%}_{-2.50\%}\right) && \delta(\text{scale}) \\
&+ \pm 0.56pb && (\pm 1.16\%) && \delta(\text{PDF-TH}) \\
&+ \pm 0.49pb && (\pm 1.00\%) && \delta(\text{EWK}) \\
&+ \pm 0.41pb && (\pm 0.85\%) && \delta(\text{t,b,c}) \\
&+ \pm 0.49pb && (\pm 1.00\%) && \delta(1/m_t) \\
&= {}^{+2.08pb}_{-3.16pb} && \left({}^{+4.28\%}_{-6.5\%}\right), \\
\delta(\text{PDF}) &= \pm 0.89\text{pb} && (\pm 1.85\%), \\
\delta(\alpha_S) &= {}^{+1.25pb}_{-1.26pb} && \left({}^{+2.59\%}_{-2.62\%}\right).
\end{aligned}
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F. Dulat, A. Lazopoulos, B. Mistlberger, Comput.Phys.Commun. 233 (2018) 243-260

Uncertainty reduced to 0.26%
With Mixed QCD-EW at NLO

M. Becchetti, R.B., V. Del Duca, V. Hirschi, F. Moriello, A. Schweitzer, Phys. Rev. D 103 (2021) 054037

QCD @ NNLO
Top + Top-B interf:
BIG effect -4% of the CS

M. Czakon, F. Eschment, M. Niggetiedt, R. Poncelet, T. Schellenberger, Phys.Rev.Lett. 132 (2024) 21, 211902

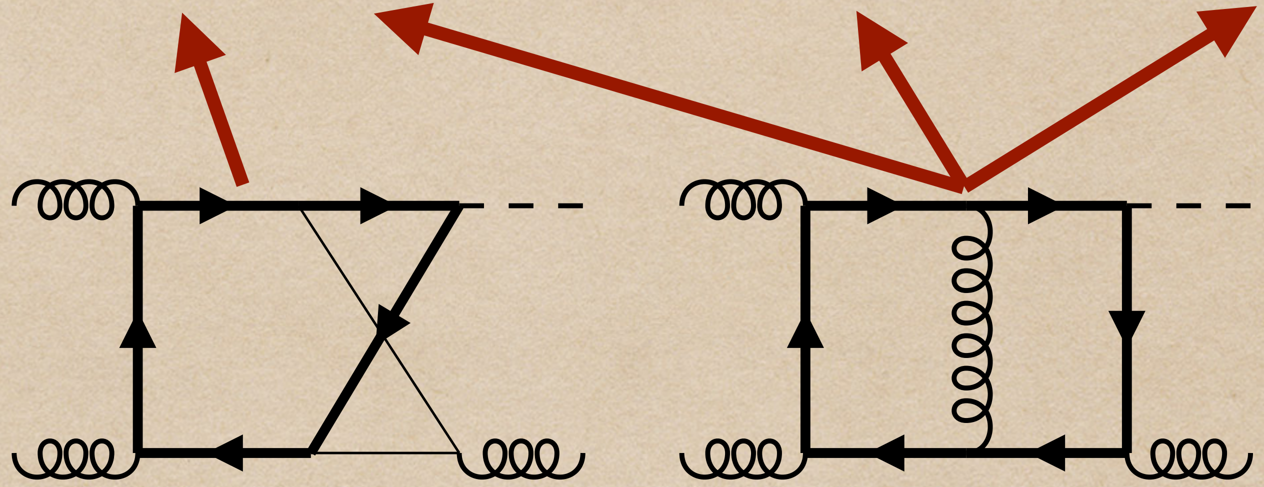
In the last years Four-Loop Splitting Functions,
First moments and first release of approx NNNLO pdfs

S. Moch, B. Ruijl, T. Ueda, J. Vermaseren, A. Vogt, Phys.Lett.B 825 (2022) 136853
J. McGowan, et al. Eur. Phys. J. C. 83(3) (2023) 185

Structure of the Amplitude

- Color structure (Hggg)

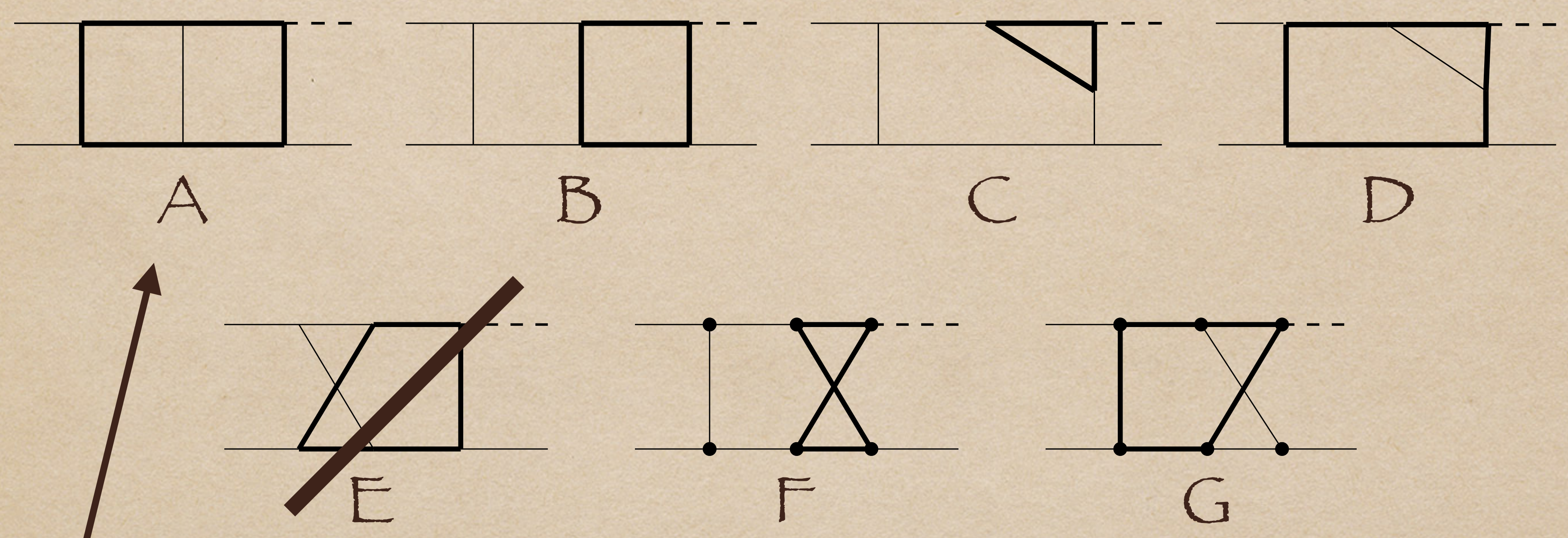
$$A_i^{NLO}(x_1,x_2,x_3) \propto N_c\, A_{i1}^{NLO}(x_1,x_2,x_3) + A_{i2}^{NLO}(x_1,x_2,x_3) + \frac{1}{N_c}\, A_{i3}^{NLO}(x_1,x_2,x_3)$$



The planar diagrams contribute to the 3 FF while the crossed only to the leading color

Topologies and Master Integrals

- The MIs belong to SIX 7-denominator topologies



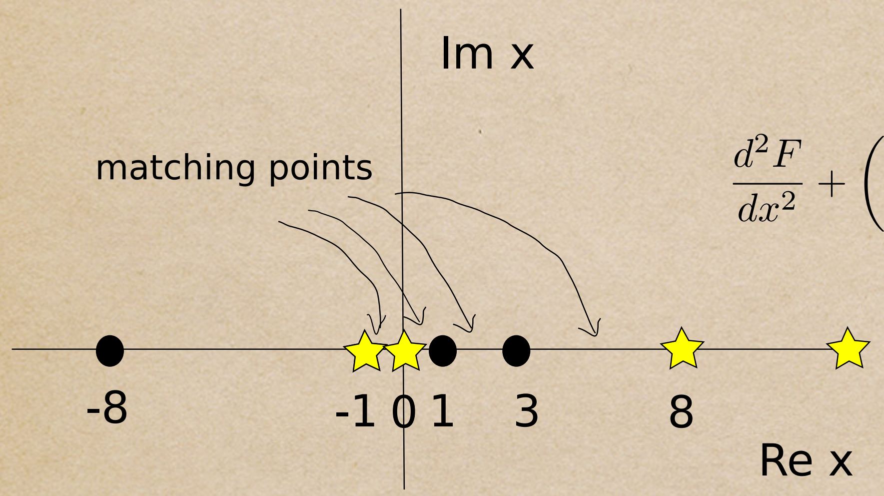
3 Topologies contain Elliptic sectors

O(200) MIs
O(20) elliptic
The rest Polylog

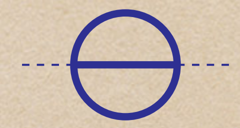
Differential Equations: Semi-analytic evaluation

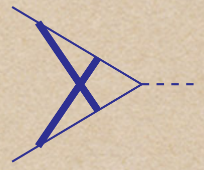
In some cases it is difficult to find closed-form solutions for the differential equations
What can be done is a solution of the relative differential equation in series expansion

S.Pozzorini and E. Remiddi, Comp. Phys. Comm. 175 (2006) 381



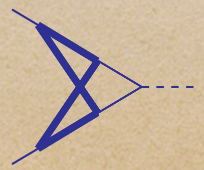
$$\frac{d^2F}{dx^2} + \left(\frac{3}{x} + \frac{1}{x+1} + \frac{1}{x-8}\right)\frac{dF}{dx} + \left[\frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{9}{8x} - \frac{4}{3(x+1)} + \frac{5}{24(x-8)}\right]F = \Omega(x)$$





$$x = -\frac{s}{m^2}$$

- The differential equation and the solution are expanded in series around the singular points Every series depends on two arbitrary constants. Imposing the matching we express all of them in terms of the two constants
- Imposing initial conditions we fix the two constants. One can construct a numerical routine that evaluates F(x) for every value of x with arbitrary precision !!
- The convergence can be improved adding series expansions in intermediate regular points



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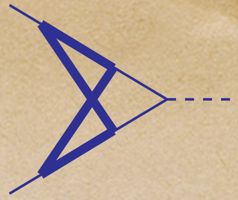
Example: elliptic vertex for ttbar production



$$\begin{cases} \dfrac{dM_9}{dx} = -\dfrac{2}{x}M_9 + \dfrac{4m^2}{x}M_{10} \\ \dfrac{dM_{10}}{dx} = -\dfrac{1}{16m^2}\left(\dfrac{1}{x}-\dfrac{1}{x-16}\right)M_9 - \left(\dfrac{1}{x}+\dfrac{1}{x-16}\right)M_{10} + \Omega_s(x) \end{cases} \qquad x = -\frac{s}{m^2}$$

$$\longrightarrow \quad \frac{d^2M_9}{dx^2} + \left(\frac{4}{x}+\frac{1}{x-16}\right)\frac{dM_9}{dx} + \left(\frac{9}{4x^2}-\frac{7}{64x}+\frac{7}{64(x-16)}\right)M_9 = \Omega(x)$$

Solution in $x=0$

$$M_9^{(0)} = x^{\alpha}\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n \qquad \left(\alpha+\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 = 0$$

- Homogeneous solutions $\quad M_9^{(0)}(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}\sum_{n=-1}^{\infty} a_n x^n + \frac{\log x}{\sqrt{x}}\sum_{n=-1}^{\infty} b_n x^n \qquad a_0 = \frac{1}{64}a_{-1} + \frac{1}{32}b_{-1}\,, \quad b_0 = \frac{1}{64}b_{-1}$

two independent solutions with $\begin{cases} a_{-1}=1\,,\ b_{-1}=0 \\ a_{-1}=0\,,\ b_{-1}=1 \end{cases}$

- Particular solutions $\quad \Omega(x) = \sum_{n=-2}^{\infty} k_n x^n + \log x \sum_{n=-2}^{\infty} r_n x^n \qquad \tilde{M}_9(x) = \sum_{n=-1}^{\infty} p_n x^n + \log x \sum_{n=-1}^{\infty} q_n x^n$
- Matching with initial condition in $x=0$ (only log) $\quad M_9(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p_n x^n + \log x \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} q_n x^n$
- The same in $x=16$ + matching with the series in $x=0$ … and so on
- Analitic continuation

L. Tancredi, A. Von Manteuffel, JHEP 06 (2017) 127

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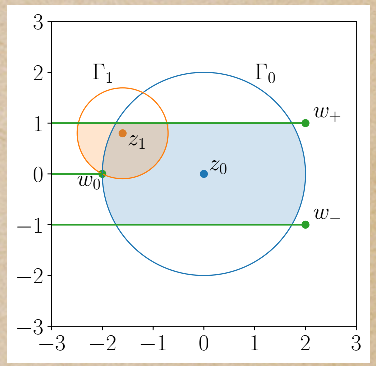
Differential Equations: Semi-analytic evaluation

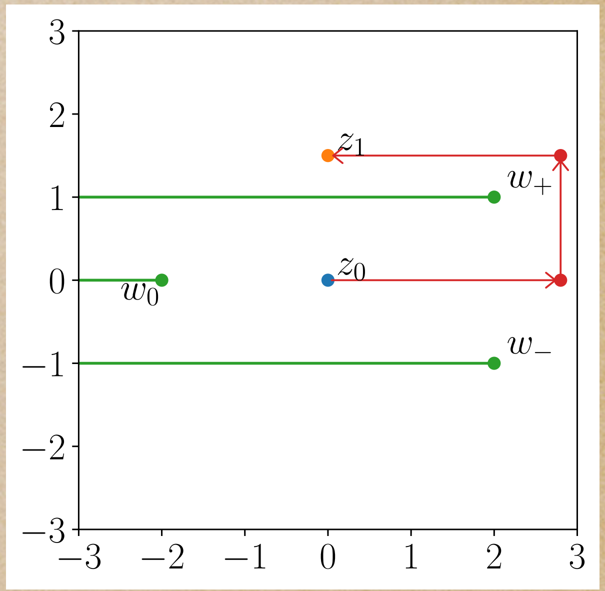
SeaSyde (Series Expansion Approach for Systems of Differential Equations)

- However DiffExp is designed for real masses. EW radiative corrections involve unstable particles Z, W, H, … : Complex Masses
- We developed an independent package, $\boxed{\text{SeaSyde}}$, to deal with series expansions solutions in the complex plane



$$z = -\frac{s}{m_V^2} \qquad q = -\frac{t}{m_V^2} \qquad\qquad m_V^2 = M_V^2 - iM_V\Gamma_V$$

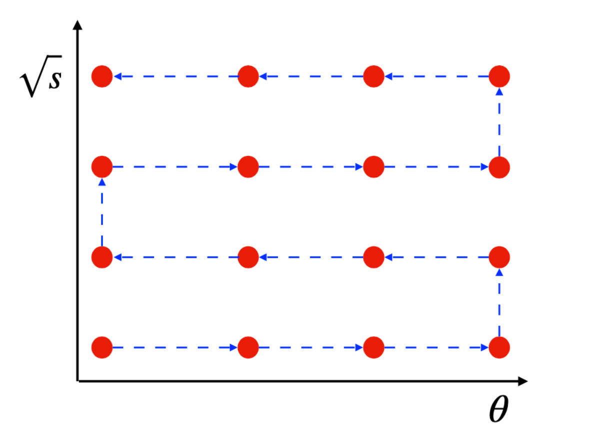
- Now we have cuts in the complex plane: we choose them to be parallel to the real axis, from the branching point to $-\infty$
- The path to avoid the cut proceeds via segments parallel to the real and to the imaginary axis in every complex variable, z and q
- We solve the equation in z, at fixed q (cuts in the complex z-plane) then the eq. in q at fixed z



T. Armadillo, R.B., S. Devoto, N. Rana, A. Vicini, 2205.03345

Differential Equations: Semi-analytic evaluation

- The Strategy is to use semi-analytic evaluations to build a grid of points
- The simplest approach is "the snake", that can be used on a single core/single kernel computer: every point becomes the Initial condition for the following one



- Difficult parallelization: Mathematica kernels (and sub-kernels)
  Use of the sub-kernels: calculation of a line of points (high accuracy)
  And then each sub-kernel evolves a straight line in the other dimension

- Consider order of minutes for the evaluation of a single point:
  from 1 min to several, depending on the system and on the point …
  Need of many licences … break away from Mathematica ??
- Recently a C++ implementation: LINE, Prisco-Ronca-Tramontano 2501.01943

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