

Numerical stability in hard and IR regions in OpenLoops2

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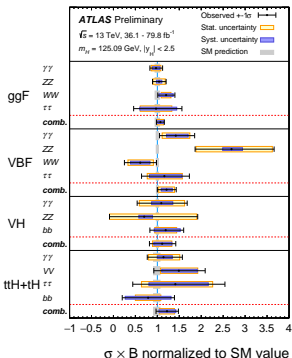
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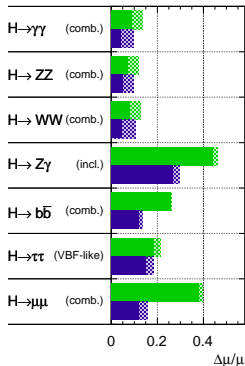
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- ▶ 7 years since Higgs discovery
- ▶ Standard Model is very well consistent with LHC results
- ▶ No excesses observed with respect to the Standard Model
- ▶ Limited precision $\sim 20\%$
Expect NP at $\mathcal{O}(\delta_{EW}) \sim 5\%$?

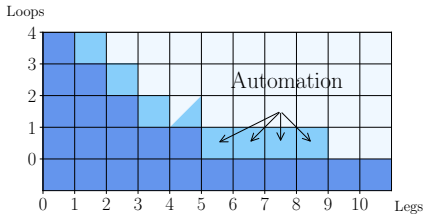
Experiment future

ATLAS Simulation Preliminary

 $\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$; $\int \mathcal{L} dt = 300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$; $\int \mathcal{L} dt = 3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ 

Theory future

- ▶ Precision in SM predictions
 - ▶ Complete NLO for high multiplicities
 - ▶ NNLO QCD for $2 \rightarrow 2$, $2 \rightarrow 3$, ...
- ▶ Precision in BSM predictions
 - ▶ UV complete models
 - ▶ SMEFT
- ▶ Automation



Computation of one-loop amplitudes (QCD & EW) is quite advanced

FeynArts / FormCalc	[Hahn et al]
GoSam	[Chiesa, Greiner, Heinrich, Jahn, Jones, Kerner, Luisoni Mastroia, Ossola, Peraro, Schlenk, Scyboz, Tramontano]
NLOX	[Honeywell, Quackenbush, Reina, Reuschle]
MadGraph5 aMC@NLO	[Alwall, Frederix, Frixione, Hirschi, Maltoni, Mattelaer, Shao, Stelzer, Torrielli, Zaro]
NGluon	[Badger, Biedermann, Uwer, Yundin]
OpenLoops	[Cascioli, Lindert, Maierhöfer, Pozzorini]
BlackHat	[Bern, Dixon, Cordero, Höche, Ita, Kosower, Maitre, Ozeren]
HELAC-NLO	[Bevilacqua, Czakon, Garzelli, van Hameren, Kardos, Papadopoulos, Pittau, Worek]
Recola	[Actis, Denner, Hofer, Lang, Scharf, Uccirati]
...	

Used in many projects:

- ▶ Event generators

Complete NLO corrections available in:

- ▶ SHERPA arXiv:1712.07975
- ▶ MADGRAPH5_AMC@NLO arXiv:1804.10017

- ▶ In two-loop computations

For the 1-loop part + real-virtual contributors e.g.: in MATRIX
arXiv:1711.06631

We need *high-performance* one-loop providers that are *reliable* in *all phase-space*.

The OpenLoops2 algorithm

Numerical stability in the on-the-fly reduction

Performance and stability benchmarks

The OpenLoops2 algorithm

- ▶ Fully automated framework for tree and one-loop amplitudes

$$\sum_{\text{colour/spin}} |\mathcal{M}_0|^2, \quad \sum_{\text{colour/spin}} 2\text{Re}[\mathcal{M}_0^* \mathcal{M}_1], \quad \sum_{\text{colour/spin}} |\mathcal{M}_1|^2, \dots$$

I Process generator:

Generation of (symbolic) amplitudes using FEYNARTS [Hahn]

Transformation into recursive representation (OPENLOOPS algorithm)

II Process computation:

$$\mathcal{M}_1 = \sum_i \mathcal{N}_{i,\mu_1\dots} T_i^{\mu_1\dots} + \mathcal{M}_{\text{CT}} + \mathcal{M}_{\text{R}_2}$$

- ▶ OPENLOOPS [Cascoli, Lindert, Maierhöfer, Pozzorini]:
Computes **coefficients** and uses **third-party tools** for the reduction: COLLIER[Denner, Dittmaier, Hofer], CUTTOOLS[Ossola, Papadopoulos, Pittau], ONELOOP[van Hameren].
- ▶ OPENLOOPS2 [Buccioni, Lang, Lindert, Maierhöfer, Pozzorini, Zhang, Zoller]:
Combines computation of **coefficients** and **reduction** for **tree-loop**, requires scalar integral providers (COLLIER, ONELOOP)

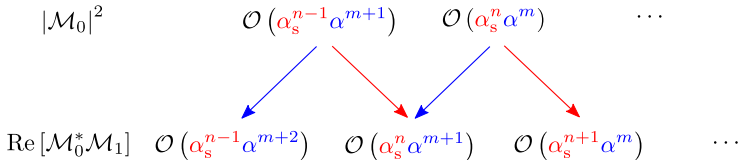
OPENLOOPS2 for complete NLO computations

Ingredients for complete one-loop computations:

- ▶ Complete SM renormalization
 - ▶ N_f flavour scheme for α_s , $\alpha(0)$, $\alpha(M_Z)$, G_F
 - ▶ On-shell renormalization
 - ▶ Complex-mass scheme [Denner, Dittmaier]

$$M_V^2 \rightarrow \mu_V^2 = M_i^2 - i\Gamma_V M_V$$

- ▶ Complete set of R_2 [Pittau et al].
- ▶ Generation of full tower of orders



OPENLOOPS2 publicly available (temporary link)

<https://openloops.hepforge.org>

Computation of One-Loop diagrams in OPENLOOPS

Cut colour-stripped loop-amplitudes can be written as

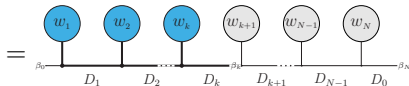
$$A_1^{(d)} = \int d^D q \frac{\text{Tr} [\mathcal{N}(q, h)]}{D_0 D_1 \dots D_{N-1}} =$$

Numerator factorises into **segments**:

$$[\mathcal{N}(q, h)]_{\beta_0}^{\beta_N} = [S_1(q, h_1)]_{\beta_0}^{\beta_1} [S_2(q, h_2)]_{\beta_1}^{\beta_2} \dots [S_N(q, h_N)]_{\beta_{N-1}}^{\beta_N}$$

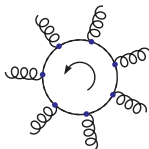
OPENLOOPS 1-loop recursion (dressing steps):

$$\mathcal{N}_k(q, \hat{h}_n) = \mathcal{N}_{k-1}(q, \hat{h}_{k-1}) \cdot S_k(q, h_k)$$



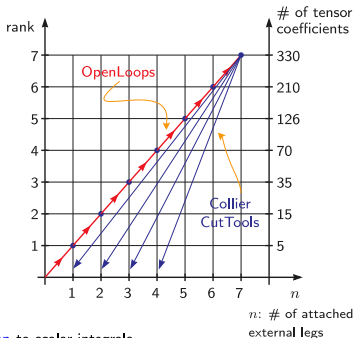
OPENLOOPS amplitude construction and reduction

$$\mathcal{N}(q, h) = \sum_{r=0}^R \mathcal{N}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r}(h) q^{\mu_1} \dots q^{\mu_r}$$



Example of a 7g diagram

complexity grows exponentially
with tensor rank



Numerical tensor integral reduction to scalar integrals



Drawback/bottlenecks

- 1 Large **structure growth** prior to reduction (due to high rank)
- 2 Evaluation for each **helicity configuration h**

1 On-the-fly helicity summation

Uses **tree amplitude** information in **tree-loop interference**

$$\mathcal{N}_k(q) \rightarrow \left(\sum_{\text{col}} \mathcal{M}_0^* C^{(d)} \right) \mathcal{N}_k(q)$$

and sums over external helicities after dressing steps.

⇒ No evaluation of one-loop helicity amplitudes

2 On-the-fly reduction

Reduce open loops by integrand and integral reduction identities

⇒ Avoids high rank objects at any stage in computation

Advantages

- ▶ Significant gain in CPU performance
- ▶ New algorithm which combines construction and reduction
- ▶ New systematic way to address numerical instabilities

Use reduction identities valid at integrand level [del Aguila, Pittau '05].

$$q^\mu q^\nu = A_{-1}^{\mu\nu} + A_0^{\mu\nu} D_0 + \left(B_{-1,\lambda}^{\mu\nu} + \sum_{i=0}^3 B_{i,\lambda}^{\mu\nu} D_i \right) q^\lambda, \quad (\spadesuit)$$

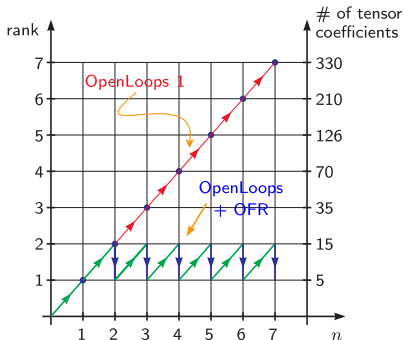
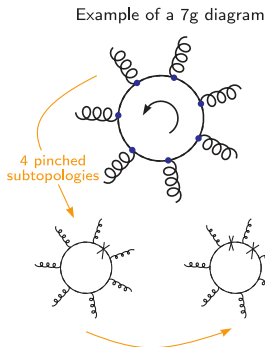
$$D_i = (q + p_i)^2 - m_i^2$$

- ▶ Reduction identity follows from loop-momentum decomposition:

$$q^\mu = \sum_{i=1}^4 c_i l_i^\mu, \quad l_i = l_i(p_1, p_2)$$

- ▶ Integrand identity \spadesuit requires another *independent* momentum p_3
- ▶ $A_i^{\mu\nu}, B_i^{\mu\nu}$ are constants depending on p_1, p_2, p_3
- ▶ p_1, p_2, p_3 can be chosen freely to cancel propagators D_i

OPENLOOPS2 amplitude construction and reduction



On-the-fly reduction step

$$\frac{\mathcal{V}^{\mu\nu} q_\mu q_\nu}{D_0 \dots D_{N-1}} = \frac{\mathcal{V}_{-1}^\mu q_\mu + \mathcal{V}_{-1}}{D_0 \dots D_{N-1}} + \sum_{i=0}^3 \frac{\mathcal{V}_i^\mu q_\mu + \mathcal{V}_i}{D_0 \dots \cancel{D}_i \dots D_{N-1}}$$

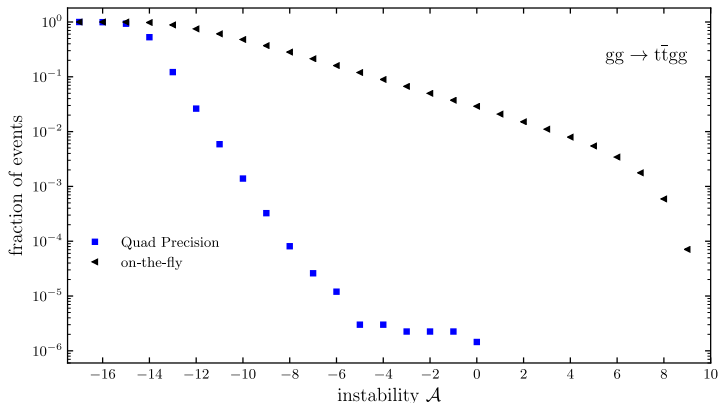
Final integral reduction

- ▶ Reduce rank-2 2-point, rank-3 triangles and rank-1 boxes with integral level identities [del Aguila, Pittau '05].
- ▶ Reduce rank-0 and rank-1 N-point for $N \geq 5$ with OPP reduction [Ossola, Papadopoulos, Pittau '07].
- ▶ Use COLLIER[Denner, Dittmaier, Hofer '16] or ONELOOP[van Hameren '10] for evaluation of scalar master integrals

Numerical stability in the on-the-fly reduction

Native implementation of the on-the-fly reduction

Case study $gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}gg$

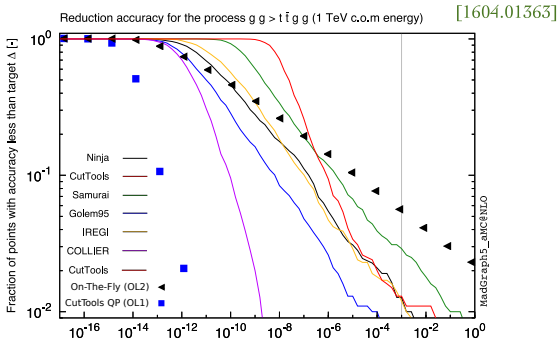


- ▶ Sample of 10^6 hard events: $p_T > 50 \text{ GeV}$, $\Delta R_{ij} \geq 0.5$
- ▶ \mathcal{M}_{qp} CUTTOOLS
- ▶
$$\mathcal{A} = \frac{|\mathcal{M}_{qp} - \mathcal{M}_{dp}|}{|\mathcal{M}_{qp} + \mathcal{M}_{dp}|}$$

Comparison to other reduction methods

Case study $gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}gg$

NEW LOOP REDUCTIONS IN MADLOOP



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- ▶ Large number of reduction methods available
- ▶ All algorithm suffer from (severe) numerical instabilities
- ▶ Necessity for a high-precision rescue system

Approach to cure numerical instabilities

I Consider stability distributions for **large samples**

- ▶ Sample corresponding to size of **real-life applications**
- ▶ Estimate stability, e.g. ~~by re-scaling of dimension full parameter?~~
- ▶ **Better:** Derive stability from high-precision computation

II Construct **stability correlator**

- ▶ Capture *all* points in the tails of stability distributions

III **Cure instability**

- ▶ Avoid reduction steps with critical correlation
- ▶ Perform expansions
- ▶ ...

Sources of numerical instability in OFR

The on-the-fly reduction suffers from *Gram determinant* instabilities

$$q^\mu q^\nu = A^{\mu\nu} + B_\lambda^{\mu\nu} q^\lambda$$

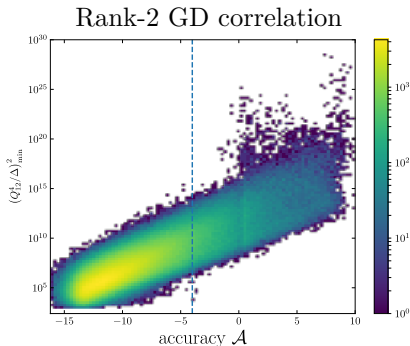
$$A_i^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{\Delta_{12}} a_i^{\mu\nu},$$

$$B_{i,\lambda}^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{\Delta_{12}^2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\Delta_{123}}} b_{i,\lambda}^{(1),\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{\Delta_{12}} b_{i,\lambda}^{(2),\mu\nu},$$

Instabilities for

- ▶ $\Delta_{12} = (p_1 \cdot p_2)^2 - p_1^2 p_2^2 \rightarrow 0$
- ▶ $\sqrt{\Delta_{123}} \sim p_3 \cdot l_{3/4}(p_1, p_2) \rightarrow 0$

- ▶ *Severe* numerical instabilities as $\Delta_{12} \rightarrow 0$
- ▶ Instabilities propagate $A_i/B_i \times A_i/B_i \times \dots \sim \Delta_{12}^{-k}$ and amplify
- ▶ Moderate values of $1 \gg \frac{\Delta_{12}}{Q^2} \gg 0$ lead to numerical instabilities



On-the-fly solution to (single) rank-2 GD instabilities

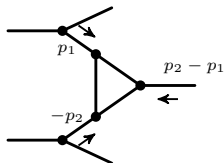
[Buccioni, Pozzorini, Zoller '17]

- I Use freedom of on-the-fly reduction, choose i_1, i_2 such that $\sim \Delta_{i_1 i_2}$ maximal. Corresponds to propagator permutation

$$\frac{\mathcal{V}^{\mu\nu} q_\mu q_\nu}{D_0 D_1 D_2 D_3 \dots} \rightarrow \frac{\mathcal{V}^{\mu\nu} q_\mu q_\nu}{D_0 D_{i_1} D_{i_2} D_{i_3} \dots}, \quad i_1, i_2, i_3 \in [1, 2, 3]$$

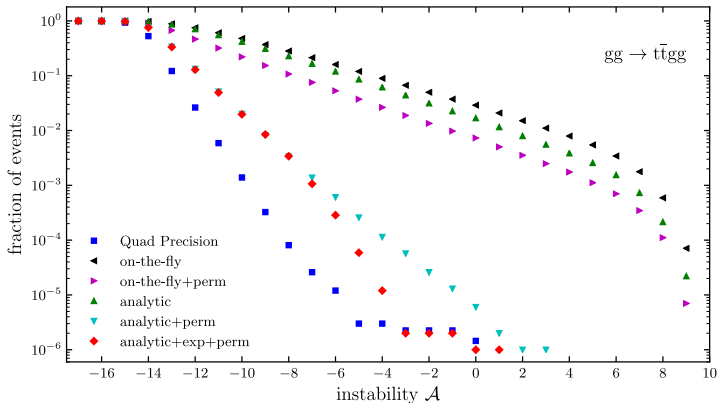
\Rightarrow Avoids small rank-2 GD up to triangle reduction \checkmark

- II Only t -channel topology introduces numerical instabilities (hard region)



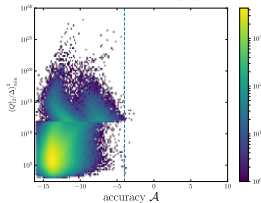
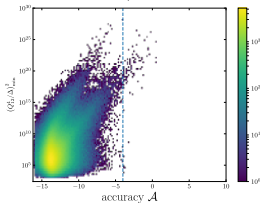
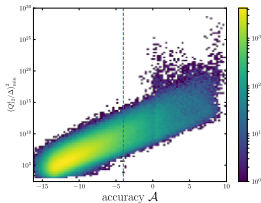
- $\blacktriangleright p_i^2 < 0$
- $\blacktriangleright (p_1 - p_2)^2 = 0$

- \blacktriangleright Analytic solution instead of on-the-fly reduction
- \blacktriangleright Perform expansions in Δ_{12}



(D_1, D_2, D_3) -permutation,
no expansion

(D_1, D_2, D_3) -permutation +
expansions to $\mathcal{O}(\delta^2)$

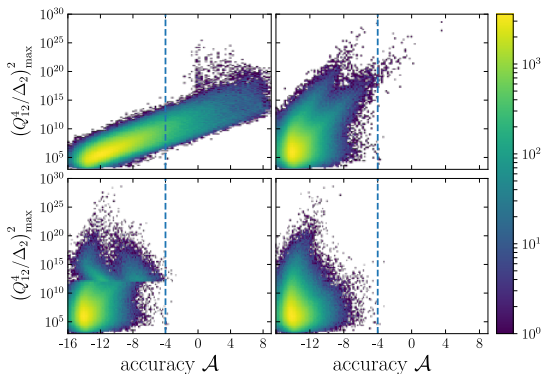


Goal: Cure residual instabilities in the tail

- ▶ Full control in hard region crucial for stability in IR regions
- ▶ Get rid of stability system which requires 2 fold evaluation

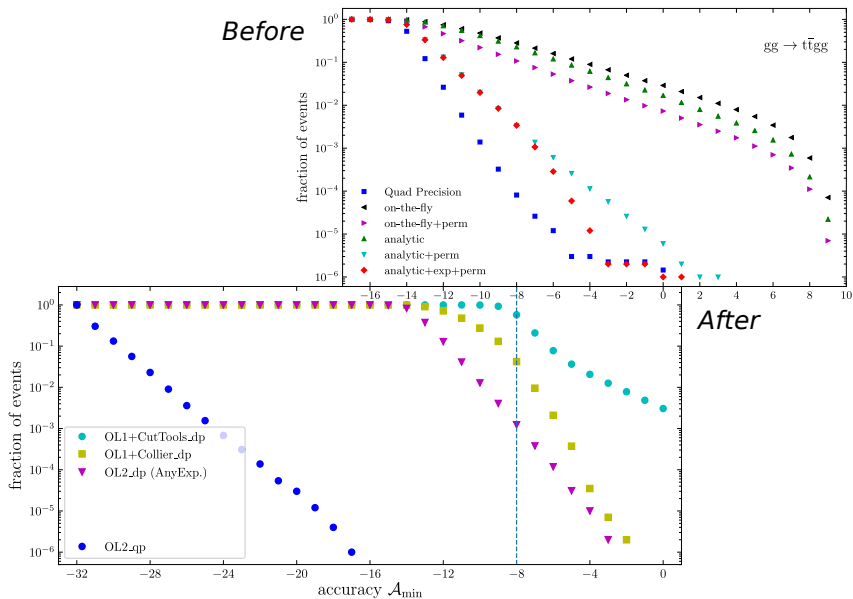
Obstacle: Clean QP Benchmarks

- ▶ On-the-fly reduction can operate in full QP ✓
(no double precision contamination)
- ▶ Truncation spoils rescaling tests
Any-order expansions ✓



- ▶ Expansion to *arbitrary order*
- ▶ **Analytic cancellation** of Δ_{12} poles
- ▶ **Multi-precision target accuracy** (DP or QP)
- ▶ Efficient implementation for tensor integrals, allowing to reach ~ 1000 terms.
- ▶ All QCD cases implemented in library TRRED

Conclusion rank-2 GD instabilities



The local error estimation and propagation

- ▶ Each step in the OL2 algorithm has an (inherited) error

Local error sources

I Reduction steps

Estimated via reduction coefficients

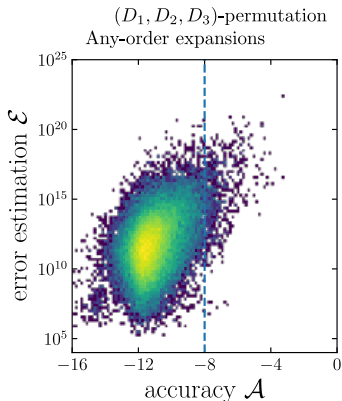
II Scalar integrals

Estimated using COLLIER
(via mod. Cayley determinant)

III Reduction basis

Estimated via rank 3 Gram
determinant

⇒ Propagate and combine to construct
global error estimation \mathcal{E}



On-the-fly trick to alleviate instabilities

Step I: Avoid error propagation

- ▶ Error propagation only in on-the-fly reduction
- ▶ New reduction: choose i_1, i_2, i_3 such that $\sim \Delta_{i_1 i_2}$ maximal and $\sim \Delta_{i_1 i_2 i_3}$ maximal \simeq propagator permutations + look ahead

$$\frac{\mathcal{V}^{\mu\nu} q_\mu q_\nu}{D_0 D_1 D_2 D_3 D_4 \dots} \rightarrow \frac{\mathcal{V}^{\mu\nu} q_\mu q_\nu}{D_0 D_{i_1} D_{i_2} D_{i_3} D_{i_4} \dots}, \quad i_1, i_2, i_3, i_4 \in [1, 2, 3, 4]$$

Step II: Cure remaining instabilities

- ▶ Expansion? ✗
- ▶ Perform cancellation numerically in targeted way.

- ▶ Promote open loops \mathcal{N} with $\mathcal{E} > \mathcal{E}^{\text{thres}}$ to **quad precision**

$$\mathcal{N} \rightarrow \mathcal{N} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{N}_{\text{DP}} \\ \mathcal{N}_{\text{QP}} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{Upgrade}(\mathcal{N}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \mathcal{N}_{\text{QP}} + \mathcal{N}_{\text{DP}} \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ Consecutive operations f performed in respective precision

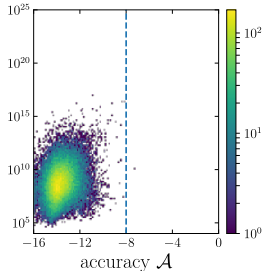
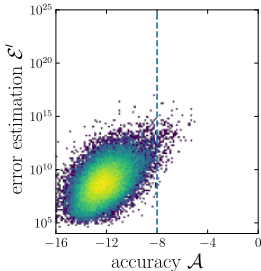
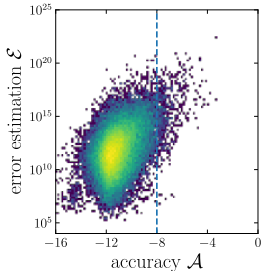
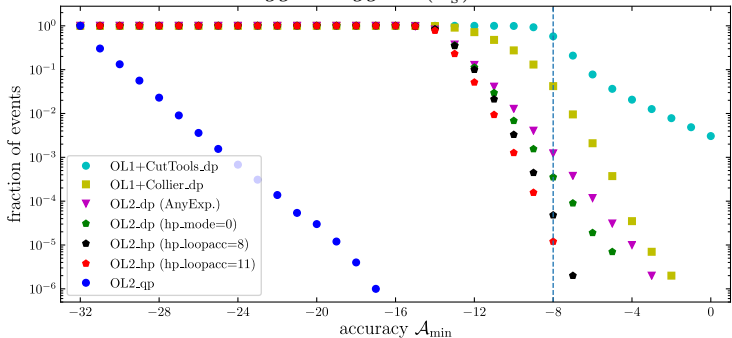
$$\mathcal{N}_{\text{out}} = f(\mathcal{N}_{\text{in}}) \rightarrow \mathcal{N}_{\text{out}} = \begin{pmatrix} f_{\text{DP}}(\mathcal{N}_{\text{DP}}) \\ f_{\text{QP}}(\mathcal{N}_{\text{QP}}) \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ Cancellation takes places in QP in the last step

$$\text{Result} = \left(\sum_i \mathcal{N}_{\text{DP}}^i \text{SI}_{\text{DP}}^i \right) + \left(\sum_i \mathcal{N}_{\text{QP}}^i \text{SI}_{\text{QP}}^i \right)$$

numerical cancellations in here

$$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}gg @ \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^5)$$



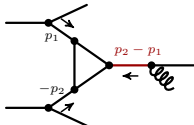
New sources of instabilities in IR regions

Frequent appearance of **double small rank 2 GD** instabilities

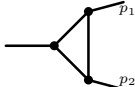
$$\Delta_{ij} \approx 0, \quad \Delta_{kl} \approx 0$$

Unstable triangle reductions

- ▶ IR t-channel $(p_2 - p_1)^2 \approx 0$



- ▶ IR triangles $\Delta_{12} \approx 0$



New triggers/features encoded in `hp_mode=2`.

IR kinematics/computation **invariants**

$$\sim \frac{1}{(p+k)^2 - m^2} = \frac{1}{2p \cdot k}$$

Cancellations: virtual CT R2

- ▶ Gluon self-energy

$$\underbrace{\sim \frac{M_t^2}{p^4}} + \underbrace{\sim \frac{M_t^2}{p^4}} \propto \frac{1}{p^2}$$

- ▶ Quark 2-point CT dressing

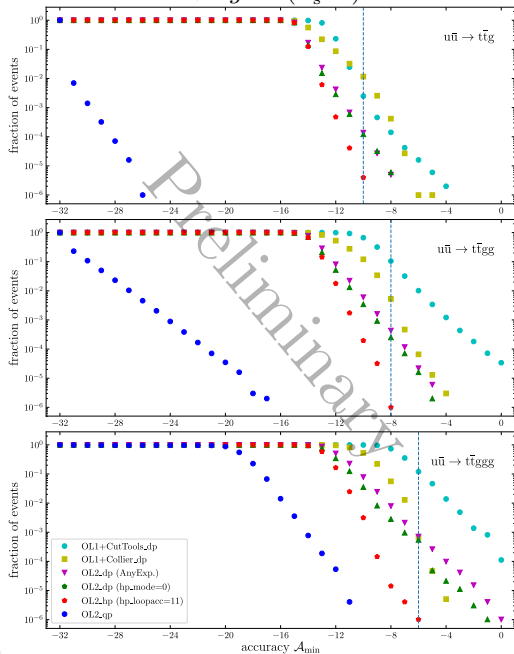
$$\sim (p+k)^3$$

Performance and stability benchmarks

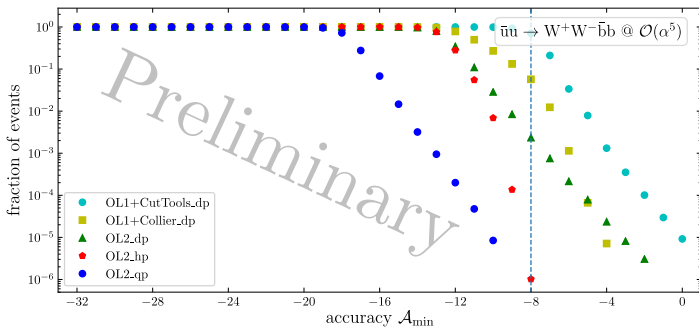
processes @ NLO QCD	OL2[ms], hp_loopacc=8	OL2, hp_mode=0	OL2, hp_loopacc=11	OL1
$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}$	0.96	1.0	1.01	1.32
$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}g$	21.4	1.0	1.04	1.56
$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}gg$	600	1.0	1.15	2.17
$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$	95	1.0	1.18	2.05
$u\bar{u} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$	0.23	1.0	1.0	0.93
$u\bar{u} \rightarrow t\bar{t}g$	3.1	1.0	1.06	1.19
$u\bar{u} \rightarrow t\bar{t}gg$	73	1.0	1.16	1.45
$u\bar{u} \rightarrow t\bar{t}ggg$	2085	0.99	1.26	1.88
$d\bar{u} \rightarrow W^+g$	0.33	1.0	1.03	0.79
$d\bar{u} \rightarrow W^+gg$	5.6	1.0	1.05	0.92
$d\bar{u} \rightarrow W^+ggg$	134	0.99	1.16	1.28
$d\bar{u} \rightarrow W^+gggg$	3760	0.98	1.14	1.41
$u\bar{u} \rightarrow W^+W^-$	0.19	1.0	1.0	1.19
$u\bar{u} \rightarrow W^+W^-g$	6.7	1.0	1.16	1.24
$u\bar{u} \rightarrow W^+W^-gg$	154	0.99	1.19	1.63
$u\bar{u} \rightarrow W^+W^-ggg$	3660	0.98	1.17	2.18
processes @ NLO EW	OL2[ms], hp_loopacc=8	OL2, hp_mode=0	OL2, hp_loopacc=11	OL1
$d\bar{u} \rightarrow s\bar{c}h$	1.8	1.0	1.06	1.78
$u\bar{u} \rightarrow t\bar{t}h$	12.7	0.99	1.17	1.0
$d\bar{d} \rightarrow e^-\bar{\nu}_e\mu^+\nu_\mu$	12.4	0.98	1.5	1.45
$u\bar{u} \rightarrow W^+W^+dd$	335	0.99	1.11	1.01

Table: Intel i7-4790K @ 4.00GHz. OL2[ms] is default hybrid precision mode (`hp_loopacc=8`) given in milliseconds. Other columns display ratio t/t_{OL2} . OL1 with COLLIER run, but no stability system.

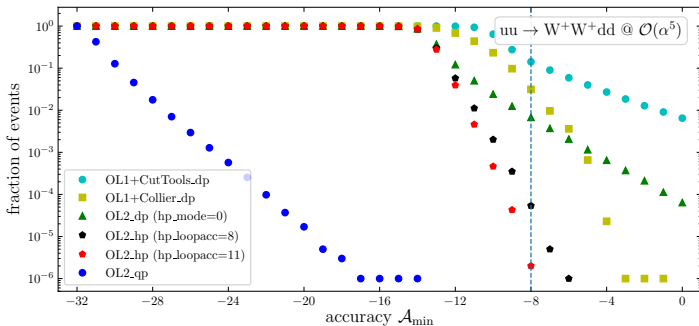
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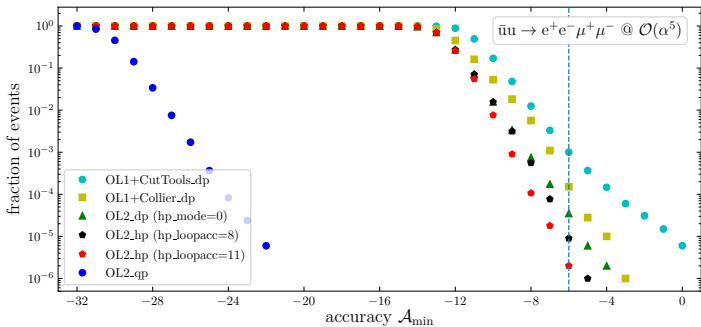
EW $t\bar{t}$ off-shell (massive b's)



EW vector-boson scattering



EW diboson off-shell



IR phase-space point generation and performance

The soft and collinear events generated from hard underlying events

$$\xi_{\text{soft}} = E_{\text{soft}}/Q$$

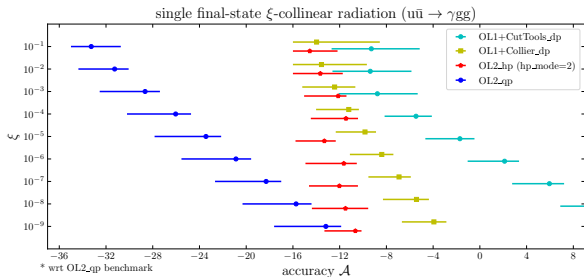
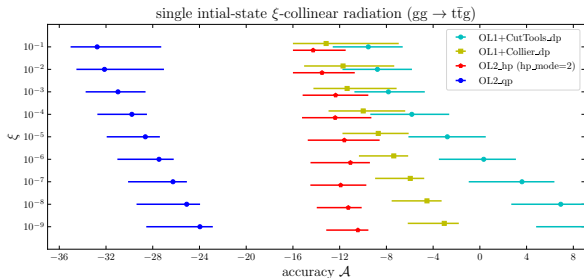
$$\xi_{\text{coll}} = \arccos \left(\frac{\mathbf{p}_i \cdot \mathbf{p}_j}{|\mathbf{p}_i| |\mathbf{p}_j|} \right)^2$$

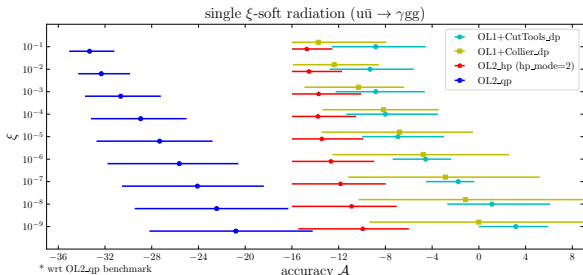
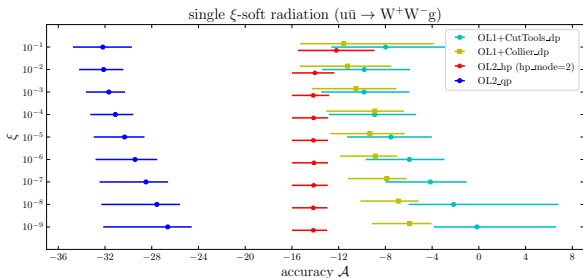
- ▶ E_{soft} : energy of a soft particle
- ▶ Q : the center of mass energy
- ▶ $\mathbf{p}_i, \mathbf{p}_j$: spacial momenta of collinear particles

The performance ranges between (*preliminary*)

- ▶ $t = \frac{t_{\text{hp_mode}=1}}{t_{\text{hp_mode}=0}} \approx 1.5 - 2.5$
- ▶ $t = \frac{t_{\text{hp_mode}=2}}{t_{\text{hp_mode}=0}} \approx 3. - 7.$

for ξ values between 10^{-3} and 10^{-9} .





- ▶ Release of OPENLOOPS2 featuring complete NLO corrections
 - ▶ New automated construction of one-loop amplitudes and reduction to scalar integrals
 - ▶ Major improvements in stability and performance
- ▶ Numerical instabilities addressed via:
 - ▶ Permutations/all-order expansions to cure single GD2 instabilities and avoid GD3 instabilities to the box reduction
 - ▶ Stable computation of invariants and use of analytic 2-point vertex functions to improve IR regions
 - ▶ Efficient hybrid precision mode to cure residual dominant numerical instabilities

Outlook

- ▶ NNLO subtraction tests with relaxed cutoffs to test deep IR cancellations
- ▶ Stability studies for $2 \rightarrow 4$ with one unresolved parton

Backup slides

Any-order expansions - technical details

In the any-order expansions we define the functions

$$S_{0,n}(\delta, \dots) := \sum_{m=n}^{\infty} \delta^{m-n} \left[\frac{1}{m!} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \delta} \right)^m S_0(\delta, \dots) \right]_{\delta=0},$$

with S_0 being t-channel 2- and 3-point functions

- ▶ $B_0(-p^2(1+\delta), m_0^2, m_1^2)$,
- ▶ $C_0(-p^2, -p^2(1+\delta), 0, m_0^2, m_1^2, m_2^2)$:
- ▶ $\sqrt{\Delta} = \frac{p^2}{2} \delta$

Deriving $S_{0,n}$ is a simple linear algebra task

$$C_0 = \frac{1}{p^2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \delta^n C_n, \quad C_n = \int_0^1 dy c_n,$$

c_n is a rational number in y and by partial fraction:

$$c_n = \frac{P(y)}{Q(y)} = \sum_{j=1}^{n+1} \left[\frac{d_1(j, n)}{(y - y_1)^j} + \frac{d_2(j, n)}{(y - y_2)^j} \right]$$

The direct reduction to scalar integrals yields

$$C^\mu(p_1, p_2, 0, 0, 0) = \int d^D q \frac{q^\mu}{D_0 D_1 D_2} = p_1^\mu C_1 + (p_1 - p_2)^\mu C_2,$$
$$C_1 = \frac{B_0(-p^2(1+\delta)) - B_0(-p^2)}{p^2 \delta} - C_0(-p^2, -p^2(1+\delta)),$$
$$C_2 = -2 \frac{B_0(-p^2) - B_0(-p^2(1+\delta))}{p^2 \delta^2} + \frac{B_0(-p^2(1+\delta)) - p^2 C_0(-p^2, -p^2(1+\delta))}{p^2 \delta},$$

Any-order expansions yields

$$C_1 = \left[\frac{B_{0,1}}{p^2} - C_0 \right], \quad C_2 = \frac{B_{0,1} + 2 B_{0,2}}{p^2} - C_{0,1}, \quad (1)$$

- ▶ δ^n poles cancel, result numerically stable
- ▶ QCD/EW cases implemented in library TRRED as a multi-precision library (dp and qp)

Computation of tree-level diagrams OPENLOOPS

Amplitudes are decomposed into a **colour basis**

$$\mathcal{M} = \sum_d \mathcal{M}^{(d)}, \quad \mathcal{M}^{(d)} = C^{(d)} A^{(d)}$$

and recursion is applied to **colour-stripped amplitudes**:

$$A_i = \text{diagram showing two blue circles } w_a \text{ and } w_b \text{ connected by a horizontal line, with a vertical dashed line between them. Each circle has four external lines (two on each side).}$$

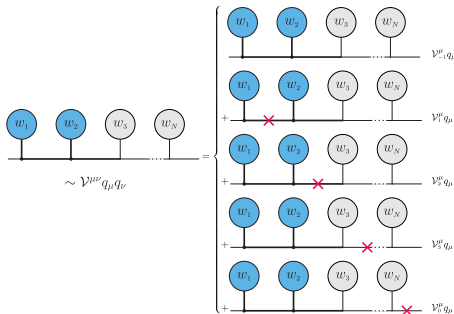
Reconstruct **subtrees** via Berends-Giele-like recursion

$$\sigma_a \text{---} w_a = \sigma_a \text{---} \begin{matrix} w_b \\ w_c \end{matrix} = w_a^\alpha(k_a, h_a) = \frac{X_{\beta\gamma}^\alpha(k_b, k_c)}{k_a^2 - m_a^2} w_b^\beta(k_b, h_b) w_c^\gamma(k_c, h_c)$$

- ▶ **Recursion kernels** derived from SM Lorentz structure
- ▶ **Subtrees** recycled whenever possible

On-the-fly reduction - technical details

Reduction proliferates subtopologies



Efficient implementation requires merging: *on-the-fly merging*

