

# One-loop techniques for many legs

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## Jet rates at the LHC

Number of jets:	3	4	5	6	7	8
$\sigma/\text{nb}$	91.4	6.54	0.46	0.032	0.002	0.0002

$p_T(\text{jet}) > 60 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $\theta_{ij} > 30^\circ$ ,  $|\eta_j| < 3$  [Draggiotis, Kleiss, Papadopoulos, hep-ph/0202201]

**Multi-particles/jet production plays a very important role !!!**

Problems with leading order predictions:

- Scale dependence: N-jet cross sections  $\sim \alpha_s(\mu)^N \Rightarrow$  predictions rely on NLO corrections
- Peripheral phase space regions: degenerate partonic configurations at LO are sensitive to extra parton emission
- Jet structure: the more partons the better

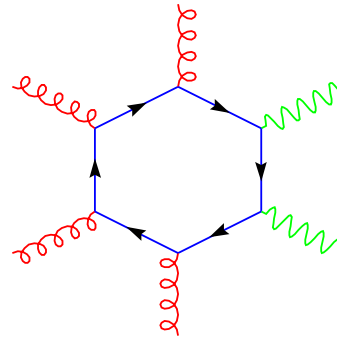
## Backgrounds for Higgs boson search

To make a reliable estimate of backgrounds for the relevant signal signatures

- $PP \rightarrow H$  by Gluon Fusion (NNLO),  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ ,  $H \rightarrow WW^{(*)}$
- $PP \rightarrow Hj$  (NLO)
- $PP \rightarrow Hjj$  by Weak Boson Fusion (NLO),  $H \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$ ,  $H \rightarrow WW^{(*)}$ ,  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

the following NLO computations are needed:

- $PP \rightarrow \gamma\gamma + 0, 1, 2$  jets
- $PP \rightarrow WW^* + 0, 1, 2$  jets
- $PP \rightarrow t\bar{t} + 0, 1, 2$  jets
- $PP \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^- + 0, 1, 2$  jets



“industrial” production of NLO amplitudes needed !!!

## Automated computation of multi-parton processes at NLO

- $2 \rightarrow 2$  easy,  $2 \rightarrow 3$  hard,  $2 \rightarrow 4$  examples unknown
- Standard Packages: FF, FeynArts, FeynCalc, FormCalc, LoopTools,....,

### $2 \rightarrow N$ at NLO needs:

- Real  $2 \rightarrow N + 1$  corrections:  $d\sigma_{NLO}^R[2 \rightarrow N + 1]$
- Virtual  $2 \rightarrow N$  corrections:  $d\sigma_{NLO}^V[2 \rightarrow N]$
- explicit cancellations of IR divergencies

[for an alternative see: D. Soper]

It seems feasible to construct an automatic program which produces finite, numerically stable NLO amplitudes for up to  $2 \rightarrow 4$  partonic processes in terms of FORTRAN, C,... functions which can be used to build NLO Monte Carlo programs.

[Z. Nagy, D.E. Soper, JHEP 0309, 055 (2003), S. Dittmaier, hep-ph/0308246 , W.T. Giele, E.W.N. Glover, hep-ph/0402152.]

Our aim is the construction of a ...

**G** eneral  
**O** ne  
**L** oop  
**E** valuator for  
**M** atrix Elements

... for QCD  $\oplus$  EW processes !

## Tree 2 → 5 matrix elements for SM processes...

- Helicity amplitudes sorted in irreducible colour structures!

...do not seem to be a problem...

- Several packages exist:

MadGraph, GRACE, CompHep, Omega, Amegic++, Alpgen,...

...up to the usual trouble with unstable particles.

## One-loop $2 \rightarrow N$ , $N \leq 4$ matrix elements for SM processes

- Sort amplitudes by helicity, colour and analyticity properties!
- Generate graphs for a given amplitude (e.g. QGRAPH, FeynArts, ...)
- Make tensor decomposition of scattering amplitude  
⇒ To be done once and forever for  $6V, 4V + f\bar{f}, 2V + 2S + f\bar{f}, \dots$
- Project onto tensor coefficients  
⇒ Lorentz indices saturated,  
tensor reduction of 5, 6 point functions not problematic ( $k \cdot p_j$  reducible)  
⇒ no high negative powers of Gram determinants, good for numerical stability
- Algebraic n-dim tensor reduction of 1- to 4-point functions  
(or use numeric approach as outlined below)
- Sort into basis set of two, three, four point scalar integrals  
⇒ Basis set for each amplitude can be determined automatically  
⇒ IR, UV divergent part can be isolated explicitly!
- Simplify coefficients analytically using algebraic programs



## Explicit cancellations of IR divergences

- Use Dipole formalism for massive partons

[S. Catani, S. Dittmaier, M.H. Seymour, Z. Trocsányi, hep-ph/0201036]

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{NLO} &= \sigma_{NLO}[2 \rightarrow N+1] + \sigma_{NLO}[2 \rightarrow N] \\ &= \int_{N+1} \left[ (d\sigma_R)_{\epsilon=0} - \left( \sum_{\text{Dipoles}} d\sigma_B \otimes dV_{\text{Dipole}} \right)_{\epsilon=0} \right] \\ &\quad + \int_{\dot{N}} [d\sigma_V + d\sigma_B \otimes \mathbf{I}(\epsilon)]_{\epsilon=0}\end{aligned}$$

- Analytical work done!

# Representation of amplitudes by tensor integrals:

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$$\Gamma^{c,\lambda}(p_j, m_j) = \sum_{\{c_i\}, \alpha} f^{\{c_i\}} \mathcal{G}_\alpha^{\{\lambda\}}$$

$$\mathcal{G}_\alpha^{\{\lambda\}} = \int \frac{d^n k}{i\pi^{n/2}} \frac{\mathcal{N}^{\{\lambda\}}}{(q_1^2 - m_1^2) \dots (q_N^2 - m_N^2)} = \sum_R \mathcal{N}_{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_R}^{\{\lambda\}} I_N^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_R}(p_j, m_j)$$

$$I_N^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_R}(p_j, m_j) = \int \frac{d^n k}{i\pi^{n/2}} \frac{k_1^{\mu_1} \dots k_R^{\mu_R}}{(q_1^2 - m_1^2) \dots (q_N^2 - m_N^2)}, \quad q_j = k - r_j = k - p_1 \dots - p_j$$

Separate Lorentz structure from integrals:

$$I_N^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_R} = \sum_{m=0}^{[R/2]} \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^m \sum_{j_1, \dots, j_{R-2m}=1}^{N-1} \left[ g_{(m)}^{\ddot{\cdot}} r_{j_1}^{\dot{\cdot}} \dots r_{j_{R-2m}}^{\dot{\cdot}} \right]^{\{\mu_1 \dots \mu_R\}} I_N^{n+2m}(j_1, \dots, j_{R-2m})$$

$$I_N^n(j_1, \dots, j_R) = (-1)^N \Gamma(N - n/2) \int_0^\infty d^N z \delta\left(1 - \sum_{l=1}^N z_l\right) \frac{z_{j_1} \dots z_{j_R}}{(z \cdot S \cdot z)^{N-n/2}}$$

Numerical approach possible after extracting IR/UV divergences.

# Reduction of scalar integrals

[Z. Bern, L. Dixon, D. Kosower, Nucl.Phys.B412 (1994); T.B., J.P. Guillet, G. Heinrich, Nucl.Phys.B572 (2000).]

$$I_N^n = (-1)^N \Gamma(N - \frac{n}{2}) \int_0^1 d^N z \frac{\delta(1 - \sum_{j=1}^N z_j)}{\left(\sum_{i,j=1}^N S_{ij} x_i x_j\right)^{N - \frac{n}{2}}}$$

$$S_{ij} = G_{ij} - G_{ii}/2 - G_{jj}/2 + m_i^2 + m_j^2$$

$$G_{ij} = 2 r_i \cdot r_j \quad , \quad r_j = p_1 + \dots + p_j \quad , \quad n = 4 - 2\epsilon$$

$$I_N^n = \left( \text{Diagram with } N \text{ external lines } p_1, \dots, p_N \right) = \sum_{j=1}^N B_j \left( \text{Diagram with } N \text{ external lines } p_1, \dots, p_j, p_{j+1}, \dots \right) + \begin{cases} -(1 + 2\epsilon) \frac{\det(G)}{\det(S)} I_N^{n+2} & , N = 4 \\ \mathcal{O}(\epsilon) & , N = 5 \\ 0 & , N \geq 6 \end{cases}$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^N S_{ij} B_j = -1 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad B_i = - \sum_{j=1}^N S_{ij}^{-1}$$

Any N point integral can be represented by n-dimensional triangle functions and (n+2) dimensional box functions. The latter are infrared finite.

## Five and six point functions

- Hexagons/pentagons are expressed by the functions  $I_3^n$  and  $I_4^{n+2}$
- The isolation of infrared singularities is straightforward!!!

$$\begin{aligned} I_5^n = & (B_1B_{12} + B_2B_{21})I_{3,12}^n + (B_1B_{13} + B_3B_{31})I_{3,13}^n + B_1(B_{12} + B_{13} + B_{14} + B_{15})I_{4,1}^{n+2} \\ & + (B_2B_{23} + B_3B_{32})I_{3,23}^n + (B_2B_{24} + B_4B_{42})I_{3,24}^n + B_2(B_{21} + B_{23} + B_{24} + B_{25})I_{4,2}^{n+2} \\ & + (B_3B_{34} + B_4B_{43})I_{3,34}^n + (B_3B_{35} + B_5B_{53})I_{3,35}^n + B_3(B_{31} + B_{32} + B_{34} + B_{35})I_{4,3}^{n+2} \\ & + (B_4B_{45} + B_5B_{54})I_{3,45}^n + (B_4B_{41} + B_1B_{14})I_{3,14}^n + B_4(B_{41} + B_{42} + B_{43} + B_{45})I_{4,4}^{n+2} \\ & + (B_5B_{51} + B_1B_{15})I_{3,15}^n + (B_5B_{52} + B_2B_{25})I_{3,25}^n + B_5(B_{51} + B_{52} + B_{53} + B_{54})I_{4,5}^{n+2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_6^n = & \{[B_1(B_{12}B_{123} + B_{13}B_{132}) + B_2(B_{21}B_{123} + B_{23}B_{231}) + B_3(B_{31}B_{132} + B_{32}B_{231})] I_{3,123}^n + 5 \text{ c.p.}\} \\ & + \{[B_1(B_{12}B_{124} + B_{14}B_{142}) + B_2(B_{21}B_{214} + B_{24}B_{241}) + B_4(B_{41}B_{412} + B_{42}B_{421})] I_{3,124}^n + 5 \text{ c.p.}\} \\ & + \{[B_1(B_{13}B_{134} + B_{14}B_{143}) + B_3(B_{31}B_{314} + B_{34}B_{341}) + B_4(B_{41}B_{413} + B_{43}B_{431})] I_{3,134}^n + 5 \text{ c.p.}\} \\ & + \{[B_1(B_{13}B_{135} + B_{15}B_{153}) + B_3(B_{31}B_{315} + B_{35}B_{351}) + B_5(B_{51}B_{513} + B_{53}B_{531})] I_{3,135}^n + 1 \text{ c.p.}\} \\ & + \{(B_1B_{12} + B_2B_{21})(B_{123} + B_{124} + B_{125} + B_{126})I_{4,12}^{n+2} + 5 \text{ c.p.}\} \\ & + \{(B_1B_{13} + B_3B_{31})(B_{132} + B_{134} + B_{135} + B_{136})I_{4,13}^{n+2} + 5 \text{ c.p.}\} \\ & + \{(B_1B_{14} + B_4B_{41})(B_{142} + B_{143} + B_{145} + B_{146})I_{4,14}^{n+2} + 2 \text{ c.p.}\} \end{aligned}$$

# Reduction of tensor integrals

$$I_N^n(l_1, \dots, l_R) = (-1)^N \Gamma(N - \frac{n}{2}) \int_0^1 d^N z \delta(1 - \sum_{j=1}^N z_j) \frac{z_{l_1} \dots z_{l_R}}{\left(\sum_{i,j=1}^N S_{ij} x_i x_j\right)^{N - \frac{n}{2}}}$$

$$I_N^n(l_0, \dots, l_R) = \sum_{k=1}^R S_{l_0 l_k}^{-1} I_N^{n+2}(l_1, \dots, l_{k-1}, l_{k+1}, \dots, l_R)$$

$$+ B_{l_0}(N - n - R - 1) I_N^{n+2}(l_1, \dots, l_p) - \sum_{j=1}^N S_{j l_0}^{-1} I_{N-1, j}^n(l_1, \dots, l_R)$$

Each N-point integral with a non-trivial numerator can be represented by scalar integrals with shifted dimensions.

- The integrals  $I_N^{n+2m}$  are representable by  $I_N^{n+2m-2}$  and  $I_{N-1}^{n+2m-2}$  integrals

Each N-point integral with non-trivial numerator can be represented by scalar integrals  $I_1^n, I_2^n, I_3^{n+2m}, I_4^{n+2}$ .  $m > 0$  only for the infra-red divergent case where closed formulas are known.

# Subtraction formalism for tensor integrals

For numeric approach sufficient to isolate IR part from tensor integrals:

$$I_N^{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_R} \sim \sum \tau_{l_1, \dots, l_R}^{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_R} I_N^n(l_1, \dots, l_R)$$
$$I_N^n(l_1, \dots, l_R) \sim I_N^{n+2}(l_1, \dots, l_{R-1}) \oplus I_{N-1}^n(l_1, \dots, l_{R-1})$$

- Integrals  $\sim I_N^{n+2}$  are IR finite  $\Rightarrow$  numerical evaluation!
- Iteration for integrals  $\sim I_{N-1}^n$  till analytical evaluation possible.

From the numerical point of view:

$$I_N^{n+2}(l_1, \dots, l_R) \sim I_N^{n+2}$$

Numerical methods for scalar graphs already developed!

# Six scalar scattering in the Yukawa model

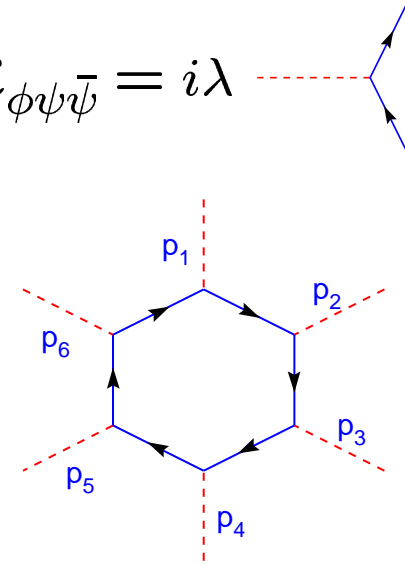
[T.B., J.P. Guillet, G. Heinrich, C. Schubert, Nucl. Phys. B615 (2001)]

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yukawa}} = \bar{\psi} [i \not{\partial} - \lambda \phi] \psi + \mathcal{L}_\phi \quad , \quad \mathcal{L}_{\phi\psi\bar{\psi}} = i\lambda$$

$$\mathcal{M}(\phi\phi \rightarrow \phi\phi\phi\phi) = -\frac{\lambda^6}{(4\pi)^2 6} \sum_{\pi \in \mathcal{S}_6} G(\pi_1, \dots, \pi_6)$$

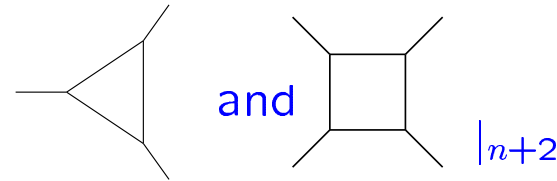
$$G(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6) = \int \frac{d^n k}{i\pi^{n/2}} \frac{\text{tr}(\not{q}_1 \dots \not{q}_6)}{q_1^2 \dots q_6^2} =$$

$$q_j = k - p_1 - \dots - p_j$$



- Tensor structure can be simplified

- each diagram is IR,UV finite  $\Rightarrow$  expressible by



## Result for $\mathcal{M}(\phi\phi \rightarrow \phi\phi\phi\phi)$ :

$$\mathcal{M}(\phi\phi \rightarrow \phi\phi\phi\phi) = -\frac{\lambda^6}{(4\pi)^2} \sum_{\pi \in \mathcal{S}_6} \mathcal{A}(p_{\pi_1}, p_{\pi_2}, p_{\pi_3}, p_{\pi_4}, p_{\pi_5}, p_{\pi_6})$$

$$\mathcal{A}(p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4, p_5, p_6) = \frac{2}{3} I_3^n(p_{12}, p_{34}, p_{56})$$

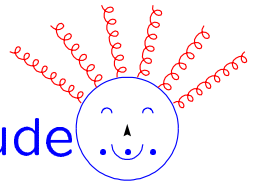
$$+ \left\{ \frac{B_1 [\text{tr}(6123) - 2s_{61}(s_{123} - s_{12})]}{s_{123}s_{345} - s_{12}s_{45}} + \frac{B_2 [\text{tr}(1234) - 2s_{34}(s_{123} - s_{23})]}{s_{234}s_{123} - s_{23}s_{56}} \right\}$$

$$\times \log\left(\frac{s_{12}}{s_{123}}\right) \log\left(\frac{s_{23}}{s_{123}}\right)$$

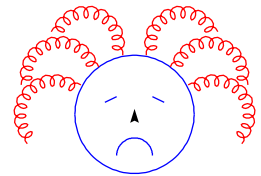
$$- \left\{ B_1 - \frac{B_2 [\text{tr}(1234) - 2s_{34}(s_{123} - s_{23})]}{2[s_{234}s_{123} - s_{23}s_{56}]} - \frac{B_6 [\text{tr}(5612) - 2s_{56}(s_{345} - s_{61})]}{2[s_{345}s_{234} - s_{61}s_{34}]} \right\}$$

$$\times \left[ \log\left(\frac{s_{12}}{s_{234}}\right) \log\left(\frac{s_{56}}{s_{234}}\right) + \log\left(\frac{s_{34}}{s_{234}}\right) \log\left(\frac{s_{12}}{s_{56}}\right) \right]$$

Example for a non-trivial non-supersymmetric hexagon amplitude



... probably the most simple one





## Example: $\Gamma(\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \phi\phi\phi\phi)$ in the gauged Yukawa Model

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Tensor decomposition of amplitude:

$$\Gamma^{\lambda_1\lambda_2}(\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \phi\phi\phi\phi) = \epsilon_1^{\mu,\lambda_1} \epsilon_2^{\nu,\lambda_2} \mathcal{M}_{\mu\nu} \quad , \quad \mathcal{M}_{\mu\nu} = A g_{\mu\nu} + \sum_{l,j=1}^5 B_{lj} r_l^\mu r_j^\nu$$

Projection on tensor coefficients:

$$\mathcal{P}^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{n-5} [g^{\mu\nu} - 2 \sum_{l,j=1}^5 H_{lj} r_l^\mu r_j^\nu] \quad , \quad \mathcal{R}_l^\mu = 2 \sum_{j=1}^5 H_{lj} r_j^\mu \quad , \quad H = G^{-1} \quad , \quad G_{ij} = 2r_i \cdot r_j$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\tilde{A}(\mathcal{M}) = \mathcal{P}^{\mu\nu} \mathcal{M}_{\mu\nu} = A \quad , \quad \tilde{B}_{ij}(\mathcal{M}) = [\mathcal{R}_i^\mu \mathcal{R}_j^\nu - 2H_{ij} \mathcal{P}^{\mu\nu}] \mathcal{M}_{\mu\nu} = B_{ij}$$

Transversality:  $\epsilon_1 \cdot p_1 = \epsilon_2 \cdot p_2 = 0$

Gauge invariance: solve Ward identities  $\mathcal{M}^{p_1\epsilon_2} = \mathcal{M}^{\epsilon_1 p_2} = 0$

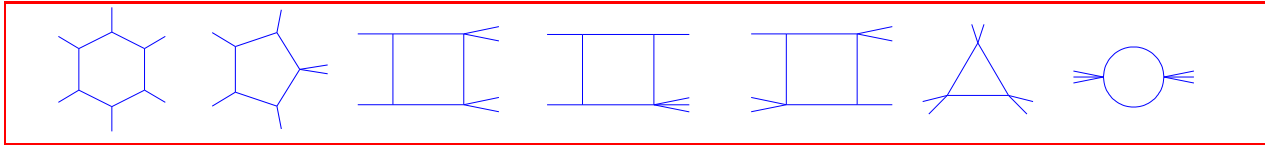
or work in helicity basis  $\epsilon_1 \cdot p_1 = \epsilon_1 \cdot p_2 = \epsilon_2 \cdot p_1 = \epsilon_2 \cdot p_2 = 0$

$\Rightarrow$  Only 9 out of 26 tensor coefficients needed!

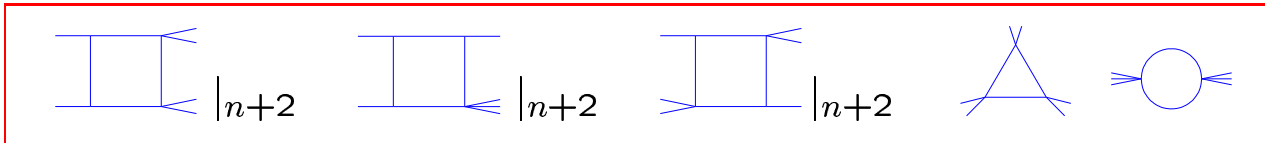
## $\Gamma(\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \phi\phi\phi\phi)$ in the gauged Yukawa Model

$A, B_{ij} \sim$  linear combinations of Feynman parameter integrals with numerators.

Apply “tensor” reduction:



Apply scalar reduction:



UV/IR finite  $\Rightarrow$  3-point functions  $\sim 1/\epsilon, 1/\epsilon^2$ , poles of 2-point functions cancel!

Helicity amplitudes  $\leftrightarrow$  field strength tensors:  $\mathcal{F}_j^{\mu\nu} = p_j^\mu \epsilon_j^\nu - p_j^\nu \epsilon_j^\mu$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma^{\lambda_1\lambda_2} &= A \epsilon_1^{\lambda_1} \cdot \epsilon_2^{\lambda_2} + \sum_{j,l=3..5} B_{jl} p_j \cdot \epsilon_1^{\lambda_1} p_l \cdot \epsilon_2^{\lambda_2} \\ &= -\frac{A}{s_{12}} \text{tr}(\mathcal{F}_1^{\lambda_1} \mathcal{F}_2^{\lambda_2}) + 4 \sum_{i,j=3}^5 \frac{B_{jl}}{s_{12}^2} p_j \cdot \mathcal{F}_1^{\lambda_1} \cdot p_2 p_i \cdot \mathcal{F}_2^{\lambda_2} \cdot p_1 \end{aligned}$$

## Result for $\mathcal{M}(\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \phi\phi\phi\phi)$ :

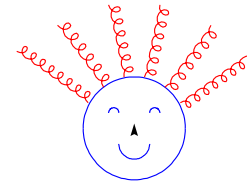
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}^{++}(\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \phi\phi\phi\phi) = & -\frac{\lambda^4 g^2 \varepsilon_1^+ \cdot \varepsilon_2^+}{(4\pi)^2 s_{12}} \sum_{\pi \in S_4} \{C(1, \pi_3, 2, \pi_4, \pi_5, \pi_6) \\ & \times [F_1(s_{\pi_4\pi_5}, s_{\pi_5\pi_6}, s_{12\pi_3}) + F_1(s_{1\pi_3}, s_{2\pi_3}, s_{12\pi_3}) - 2F_1(s_{1\pi_3}, s_{3\pi_4}, s_{1\pi_3\pi_4}) \\ & + 2F_2(s_{12\pi_3}, s_{2\pi_4\pi_5}, s_{1\pi_3}, s_{\pi_4\pi_5}) - F_2(s_{1\pi_3\pi_4}, s_{2\pi_4\pi_5}, s_{1\pi_3}, s_{2\pi_5}) - F_2(s_{1\pi_3\pi_4}, s_{2\pi_3\pi_4}, s_{\pi_3\pi_4}, s_{\pi_5\pi_6})] \\ & + 2F_2(s_{1\pi_3\pi_4}, s_{2\pi_3\pi_4}, s_{\pi_3\pi_4}, s_{\pi_5\pi_6}) + (1 \leftrightarrow 2)\} \end{aligned}$$

$$C(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6) = 2 + \frac{\text{tr}^+(3456)B_5 + \text{tr}^+(1234)B_1}{s_{34}} + \frac{\text{tr}^+(6123)B_2 + \text{tr}^+(4561)B_4}{s_{16}}$$

$$F_1(s_1, s_2, s_3) = -\log\left(\frac{s_1}{s_3}\right) \log\left(\frac{s_2}{s_3}\right)$$

$$F_2(s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4) = -\frac{1}{2} \log^2\left(\frac{s_3}{s_4}\right) - \text{Li}_2\left(1 - \frac{s_1 s_2}{s_3 s_4}\right)$$

$$\text{tr}^+(jl\dots) = \text{tr}((1 + \gamma_5) \not{p}_j \not{p}_l \dots) / 2$$



Non-linear constraints between Mandelstam variables are represented linearly through reduction coefficients  $B_j$  !!!

$\mathcal{M}^{+-}$  less compact but still numerically stable.

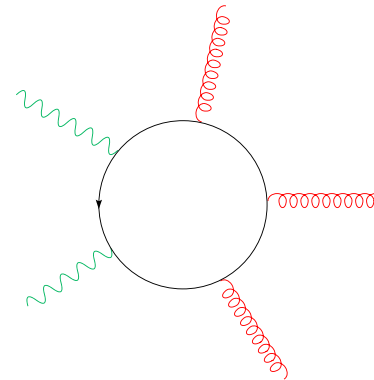
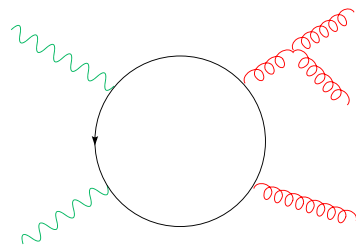
## The $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow ggg$ amplitude

- Relevant for  $\gamma\gamma + \text{jet}$  background for Higgs+jet production
- Amplitude indirectly known from  $gg \rightarrow ggg$  [Z. Bern, L. Dixon, D. Kosower, Phys.Rev.Lett.70 (1993)]

Independent helicity structures:  $\Gamma^{++++}, \Gamma^{+++ -}, \Gamma^{++ + - -}, \Gamma^{+ - + + +}, \Gamma^{+ - + + -}, \Gamma^{-- + + +}$

**Exercise:** calculate helicity amplitudes in a modular way

- Box, pentagon topologies
- One colour structure:  $\sim f^{abc}$
- Sort by analytical structure:  $1, I_2^n, I_{3,1\text{mass}}^n, I_{3,2\text{mass}}^n, I_{4,1\text{mass}}^{n+2}$



## The amplitude $\Gamma^{+++++}[\gamma\gamma ggg \rightarrow 0]$

With the reference momenta  $p_5, p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4$  products of  $\epsilon_j \cdot p_k$  can be treated uniformly for all graphs  $2\text{tr}^-(p_j, \dots) = \text{tr}(p_j) - \text{tr}(\gamma_5, p_j, \dots)$ :

$$\prod_{j=1}^5 \epsilon_j \cdot q_j = \frac{\text{tr}^-(p_1, q_1, \dots, p_5, q_5)}{4\sqrt{2} \langle 51 \rangle \langle 12 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle}$$

$$\Gamma^{+++++} = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{2} \langle 51 \rangle \langle 12 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle} \text{tr}^+(1, 2, 3, 5) \frac{s_{12}}{s_{35}}$$

$$\mathcal{F}_j^{\mu\nu} = p_j^\mu \epsilon_j^\nu - p_j^\nu \epsilon_j^\mu$$

$$\Gamma^{+++++} = f_{abc} \frac{\text{tr}(\mathcal{F}_1^+ \mathcal{F}_2^+) \text{tr}(\mathcal{F}_3^+ \mathcal{F}_4^+ \mathcal{F}_5^+)}{2s_{34}s_{45}s_{35}}$$

Spinor helicity formalism:

$$\epsilon_\mu^+(p) = \frac{\langle n^- | \gamma_\mu | p^- \rangle}{\sqrt{2} \langle n^- | p^+ \rangle}, \quad p|p^\pm \rangle = 0, \quad |j^\pm \rangle := |p_j^\pm \rangle, \quad \langle jl \rangle := \langle j^- | l^+ \rangle, \quad [jl] := \langle j^+ | l^- \rangle$$

## The amplitude $\Gamma^{++++-}[\gamma\gamma \rightarrow ggg]$

$$\Gamma^{++++-} = f^{abc} \frac{A + \epsilon(p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4) B}{4\sqrt{2} \langle 41 \rangle \langle 32 \rangle \langle 13 \rangle \langle 14 \rangle [51] \langle 24 \rangle [45]}$$

$$\Gamma^{++++-} = f^{abc} \frac{\text{Tr}(\mathcal{F}_1^+ \mathcal{F}_2^+) \text{Tr}(\mathcal{F}_3^+ \mathcal{F}_4^+)}{s_{12}^2 s_{34}^2} [C^{++++-} p_1 \cdot \mathcal{F}_5^- \cdot p_3 - (3 \leftrightarrow 4)]$$

$$C^{++++-} = \frac{s_{45}s_{13}s_{14}}{s_{35}s_{15}s_{24}} - \frac{s_{13}s_{45}}{s_{15}s_{35}} + \frac{s_{45}^2}{s_{15}s_{24}} - \frac{s_{12}^2 + s_{45}^2 - s_{12}s_{45}}{s_{35}s_{15}} + \frac{s_{13}s_{15}}{s_{23}s_{45}} + \frac{s_{13} - s_{34}}{s_{23}} \\ - \frac{s_{34}s_{45}}{s_{23}s_{15}} + \frac{s_{15} - s_{25}}{s_{45}} - \frac{s_{23} + s_{35}}{s_{13}} - \frac{s_{23}s_{25}}{s_{13}s_{45}} + \frac{s_{34} + s_{12}}{s_{15}}$$

- All helicity amplitudes have structure  $\text{tr}(FF)\text{tr}(FFF)$  or  $\text{tr}(FF)\text{tr}(FF)p \cdot F \cdot p$
- Ward identities manifestly fulfilled, Bose symmetry  $1 \leftrightarrow 2, 3 \leftrightarrow 4$  strong check
- Automated simplification procedures used

## Useful identities for field strength tensors:

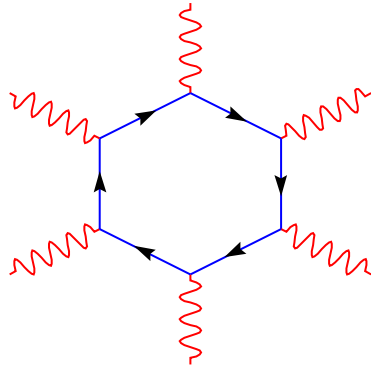
Permutation and flipping rules:

$$\text{Tr}(\mathcal{F}_1^+ \mathcal{F}_2^+) p_i \cdot \mathcal{F}_3^+ \cdot p_j = \frac{\text{Tr}(\mathcal{F}_1^+ \mathcal{F}_3^+)}{s_{13}^2 s_{23}} \{ [s_{23}(s_{1j}s_{3i} - s_{1i}s_{3j}) + s_{13}(s_{2i}s_{3j} - s_{2j}s_{3i})] p_3 \cdot \mathcal{F}_2^+ \cdot p_1 \\ + s_{12}s_{13}(s_{3i} p_3 \cdot \mathcal{F}_2^+ \cdot p_j - s_{3j} p_3 \cdot \mathcal{F}_2^+ \cdot p_i) \}$$

$$\text{Tr}(\mathcal{F}_1^+ \mathcal{F}_2^+) \text{Tr}(\mathcal{F}_3^+ \mathcal{F}_4^+) = \text{Tr}(\mathcal{F}_1^+ \mathcal{F}_3^+) \text{Tr}(\mathcal{F}_2^+ \mathcal{F}_4^+) \left( \frac{\text{tr}^+(1243)}{s_{13}s_{24}} \right)^2 \\ = \frac{\text{Tr}(\mathcal{F}_1^+ \mathcal{F}_3^+)}{s_{13}^2} \frac{\text{Tr}(\mathcal{F}_2^+ \mathcal{F}_4^+)}{s_{24}^2} [\text{tr}(1243)\text{tr}^+(1243) - s_{12}s_{13}s_{34}s_{24}]$$

$$\text{Tr}(\mathcal{F}_1^+ \mathcal{F}_2^-) = 0$$

Under construction:  $\Gamma(\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \gamma\gamma\gamma\gamma)$ :



- automatic FORM code generation
- modular programming for general 6–point kinematics
- n-dimensional reduction successful

Procedures are starting point of **GOLEM**



## Numeric approach for 6–point processes

- Representation of an amplitude by a basis set of scalar or tensor integrals:

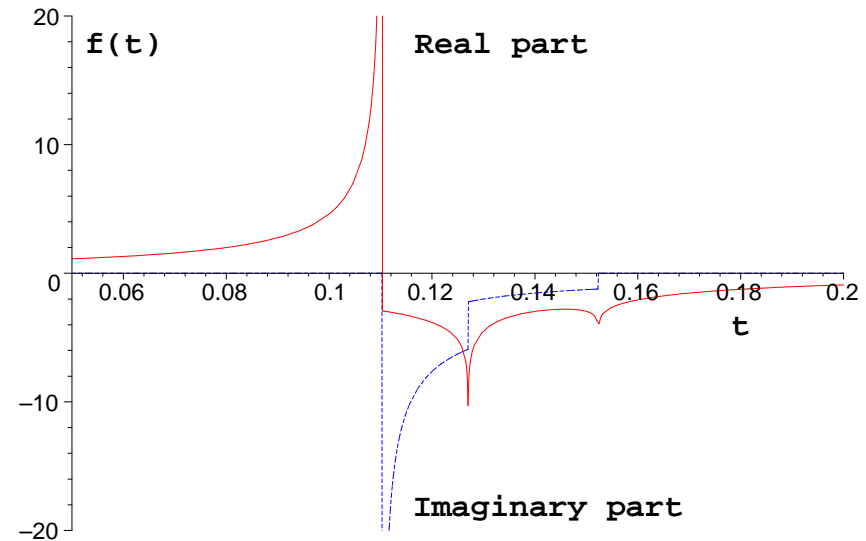
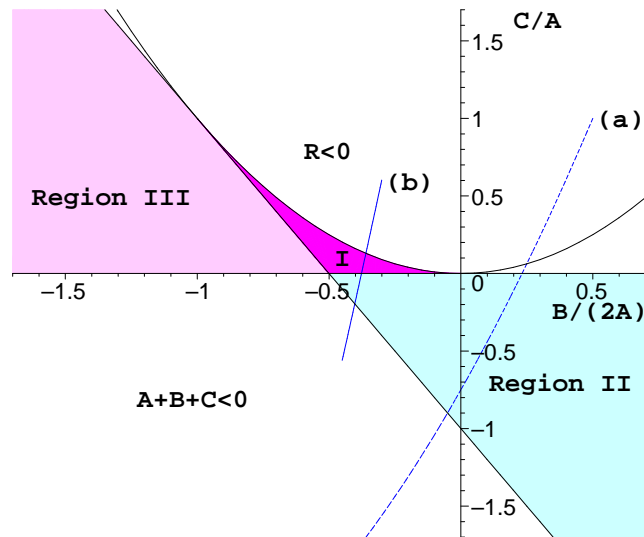
What is an adequate set?  $I_4^{n+2}(l_1, l_2, \dots)$ ,  $I_3^n(l_1, l_2, \dots)$ ,  $I_2^n$

- Numerical evaluation of the basis functions after isolation of infrared divergences.
- **Exercise:** calculate the most difficult basis function numerically: the hexagon diagram.

[T.B., G. Heinrich, N. Kauer, hep-ph/0210023 (2002)]

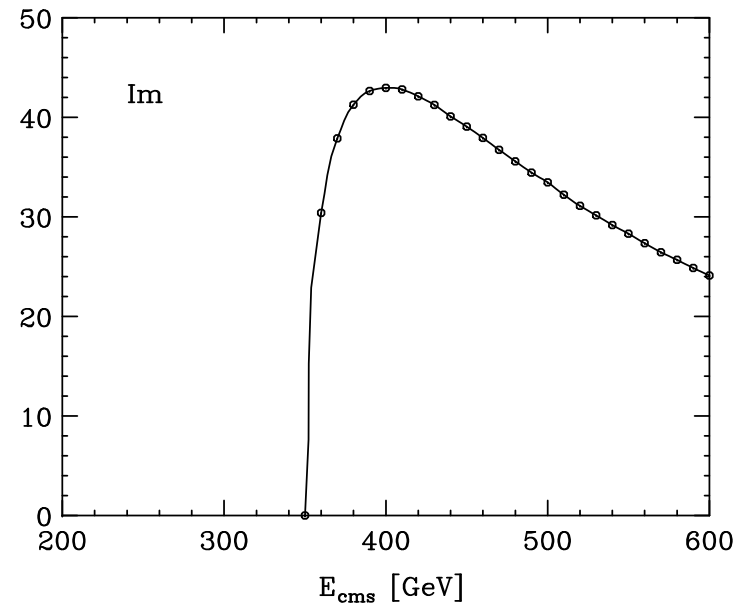
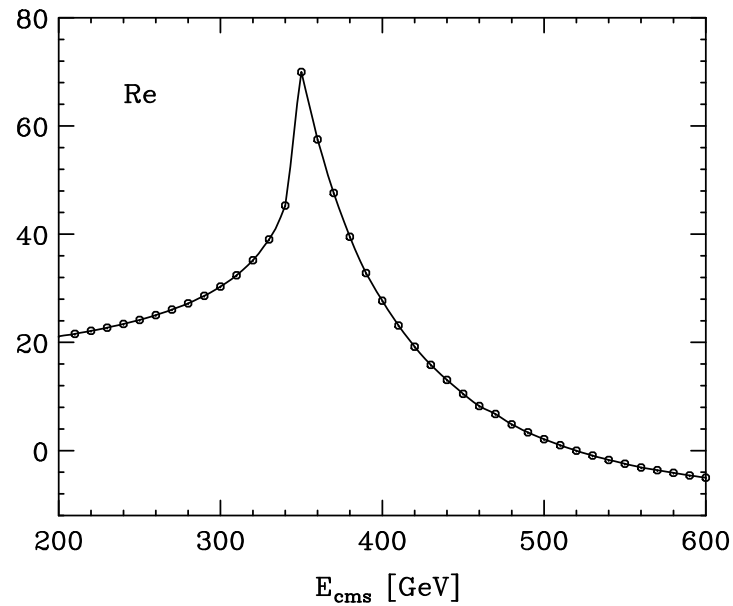
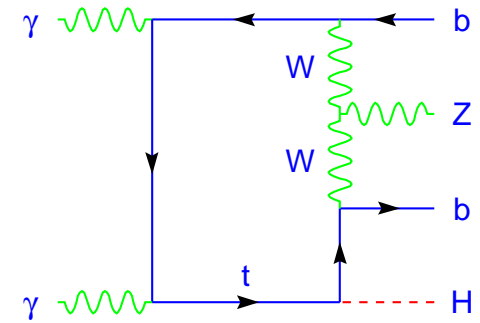
## Numerical evaluation of the massive Hexagon function

- Problem: integrable singularities because of internal thresholds
- Reduction to 1- and 2-dimensional integrations
- Structure of singularities analysed
  - ⇒ constructive proof that singularities are of type  $1/\sqrt{x}$  or  $\log x$
- Iterative numerical methods developed



## Numerical result for the hexagon:

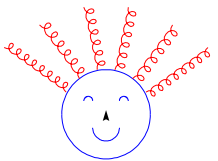
- Stable result in the threshold region
- Real and imaginary parts are split explicitly ( $\rightarrow$  no “ $i\delta$ ” terms)
- the result for the box and the pentagon was compared with “LoopTools” T. Hahn



## Summary:

- Multi-particle/jet production very important for TeV colliders
  - ⇒ new methods to calculate such processes at NLO
  - ⇒ Encouraging results for the Yukawa model
  - ⇒ Objectif:  $PP \rightarrow 4$  jets at NLO
  - ⇒ Numerical methods for the electro-weak sector at NLO
- Higgs search needs background calculations for  $2 \rightarrow 3, 4$  processes
  - ⇒ industrial production of NLO calculations needed
  - ⇒ GOLEM project

Only a profound knowledge of the Standard Model will allow us to understand new and unexpected phenomena !!!



# Subtraction formalism for tensor integrals

$$I_N^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_R} = \int \frac{d^n k}{i\pi^{n/2}} \frac{q_1^{\mu_1} \dots q_R^{\mu_R}}{q_1^2 \dots q_N^2}, \quad q_j = k - r_j, \quad r_j = p_1 + \dots + p_j$$

$$I_N^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_R} = \sum_{j=1}^N C_{jR}^{\mu_R} \left( \text{Diagram with } p_j, p_{j+1}, \dots, \mu_1, \dots, \mu_{R-1} \right) + \begin{cases} \sim \sum I_N^{n+2m}(l_1, \dots) & , N < 6 \\ 0 & , N \geq 6 \end{cases}$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^N S_{ij} C_{jR}^{\mu_R} = (r_i - r_R)^{\mu_R}$$

- Integrals  $\sim I_N^{n+2m}(l_1, \dots)$  are IR finite, no  $1/\det(G) \Rightarrow$  stable numerical evaluation!
- Iteration for integrals  $\sim I_{N-1}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_{R-1}}$  till analytical evaluation possible.