

4th Workstop / Thinkstart
Towards N³LO for $\gamma^* \rightarrow \ell\bar{\ell}$

Welcome and motivation

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A warm welcome to IPPP!

- you should have received a program and information
- please give us an estimate for your travel expenses & sign up for dinner(s)
- conference dinner on Thursday, paid for by grant
- unofficial dinners on Tue/Wed/Fri
- lunch and coffee **just outside**, keep discussing!
- sign up to Slack if you haven't already

- this is not a workshop but a workstop
- we are here to work and start thinking, not to read emails
- ideally have a compare-and-contrast write-up
- 4th edition, previous installations in Zurich and at GGI
 - 2016: new collaborative understanding of regularisation schemes
[[To \$d\$ or not to \$d\$, 2017](#)]
 - 2019: progress report and future planning of the MUonE Theory Initiative
[[Theory for muon-electron scattering @ 10 ppm, 2020](#)]
 - 2019: four-dimensional regularisation at NNLO (GGI)
[[May the four be with you, 2020](#)]

we are not here to give talks

- each session is 4h and about one topic
- we start with $\mathcal{O}(1h)$ of joint talks
- these **will** overrun and that's **fine**
- please be honest!

we are here to work!

- after 1h coffee will be delivered
- discussion from the talk will evolve into a blackboard discussion (with tea and snacks)
- playing with code is **encouraged** (after the talks)!
- please don't just read your emails!

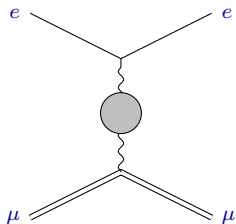
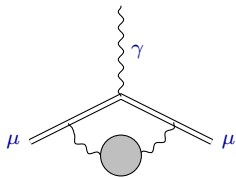
- with we FKS^ℓ have a subtraction scheme for N^3LO in QED (\rightarrow assembly session)
- ... but not matrix elements (\rightarrow afternoon & tomorrow)
- can we find the missing matrix elements?
- I think so, at least for $\gamma^* \rightarrow \ell\bar{\ell}$
 - VVV: [Fael, Lange, Schönwald, Steinhauser 22]
 - RVV: integrals known for $m_\ell = 0$ (three-jet @ NNLO)
 - RRV: OpenLoops + dirty tricks
 - RRR: “trivial”
- we need to forge these efforts into a coherent Initiative (as we did for MUonE)
- what do we need and who can provide it?

- measure HVP of $(g - 2)_\mu$ using t -channel μ - e scattering at 10ppm

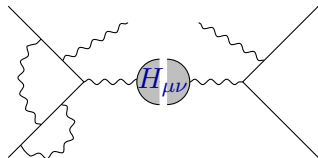
$$a_\mu^{\text{HLO}} = \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \int_0^1 dx (1-x) \underbrace{\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}\left(\frac{x^2}{x-1} m_\mu^2\right)}_{\propto d\sigma/dt}$$

[Carlson Calame et al. 2015, Abbiendi et al 2016]

- proposed experiment @ CERN's M2
- [Matteuzzi et al 2019 (LOI)]
- NNLO is complete
- ... but most likely not enough
- dominant N³LO $e \rightarrow e\gamma^*$



- HVP is also measured using $ee \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$
- theory precision needed as well
[STRONG2020 Virtual Workshop 2021]
- hadronic side: nothing we (this group) can do
- leptonic side: here we can help!
- calculate $ee \rightarrow \gamma^*$ and $ee \rightarrow \gamma^*\gamma^*$ as well as possible
- let's focus on $ee \rightarrow \gamma^*$ at N³LO (but keep in mind the other as well)



- FKS^ℓ: subtraction scheme at ℓ-loop

$$\sigma_{n+m} \sim \int d\Phi_n \int d\Phi_m \left(\mathcal{M}_{n+m}^{(\ell),f} - \theta(E_\gamma < E_\gamma^{\text{cut}}) \mathcal{E} \times \mathcal{M}_{n+m-1}^{(\ell),f} \right)$$

- massification: SCET-ish trick to expand matrix element in $m \ll Q^2$ (two-loop)

$$\mathcal{M}(m) = \mathcal{S} \times \sqrt{Z_1} \times \cdots \times \sqrt{Z_n} \times \mathcal{M}(0) + \mathcal{O}(m^2/Q^2)$$

- NTS stabilisation: expand real matrix element for small $E_\gamma^2 \ll Q^2, m^2$ (one-loop)

$$\mathcal{M}_{n+1} = \frac{1}{E_\gamma^2} \mathcal{E} \times \mathcal{M}_n + \frac{1}{E_\gamma} \mathcal{D}[\mathcal{M}_n]$$

- jettification: expand real matrix element for small angle and masses (one-loop)

$$\mathcal{M}(m) = \mathcal{S} \times \sqrt{J_1} \times \cdots \times \sqrt{Z_n} \times \mathcal{M}(0) + \mathcal{O}(\{p_1^2, p_i \cdot p_\gamma\}/Q^2)$$

VVV

- can we use FLSS' result directly?
- what about n_f (or hadronic) corrections? Hyperspherical...?
- does it make sense to try massification (cross check / semi-analytic)?

RVV

- what do we need to do to use the known integrals from $\gamma^* \rightarrow q\bar{q}g$?
- how fast / stable an expression can we get?
- we can do things massively?
- OpenLoops?

RRV

- is OpenLoops fast / stable enough?
- can we switch to quad precision point-wise?
(stability system for massive QED or side-step it entirely?)
- can we use NTS stabilisation?

assembly & dirty tricks

- jettification / NTS stabilisation at two-loop?
- how do we massify real correction?
- how does it influence stability & speed requirements?
- what implementation problems do we expect?

VVV

- VVV result
- n_f
- massification?

RVV

- using integrals
- speed/stability
- $m_\ell > 0$
- OpenLoops

RRV

- OpenLoops
- stability system
- NTS

assembly

- jettification / NTS
- massify real?
- requirements?
- ??