

Squark–anti-squark pair production: the electroweak contributions

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$$P P \rightarrow \tilde{Q}^a \tilde{Q}^{a*} \quad @ \quad \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2 \alpha)$$

- Motivations
- Closer look into (diagonal) squark–anti-squark production
 - Squark pair production at parton level
 - Renormalization
 - IR divergences
- Numerical Analysis
- Conclusions

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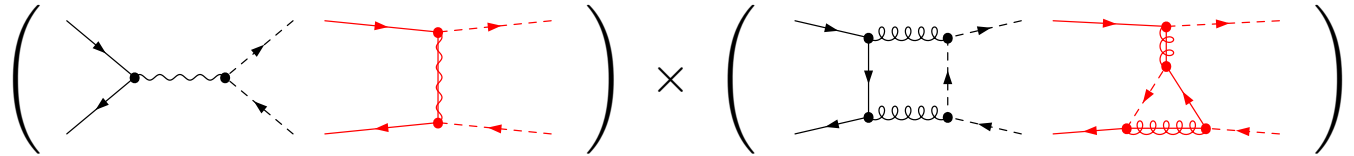
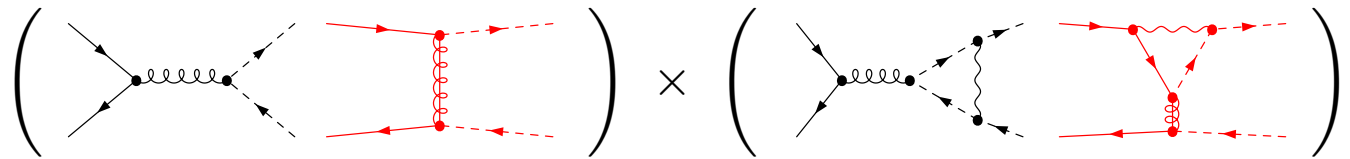
- it is an "LHC" process
- it is foreseen by the MSSM
- it leads to the direct production of colored particles
- its $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2 \alpha)$ corrections are missing

make our computation not unreasonable!

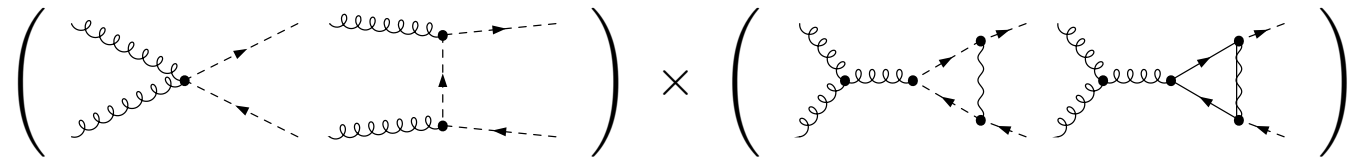
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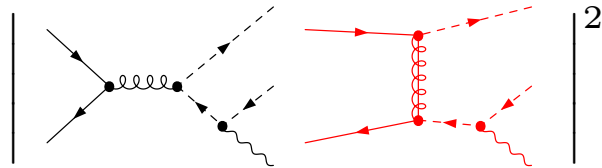
w.r.t. the stop case

- New diagrams, full one loop QCD diagrams needed
- New interferences (that can be numerically important)
- New UV divergences
- Richer IR structure

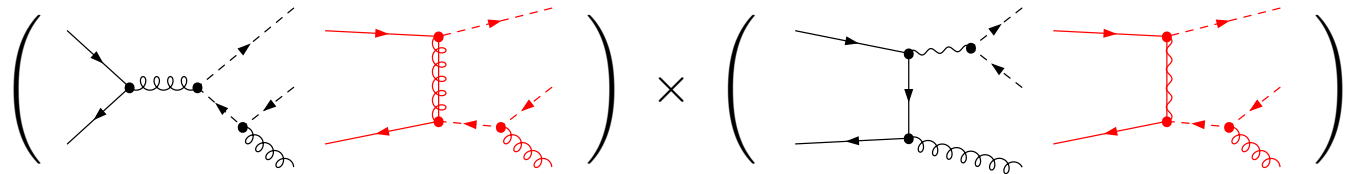
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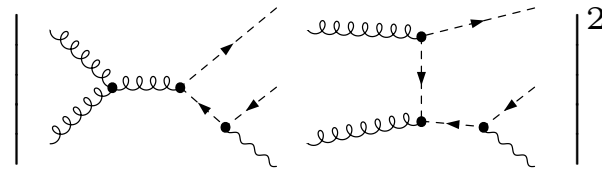
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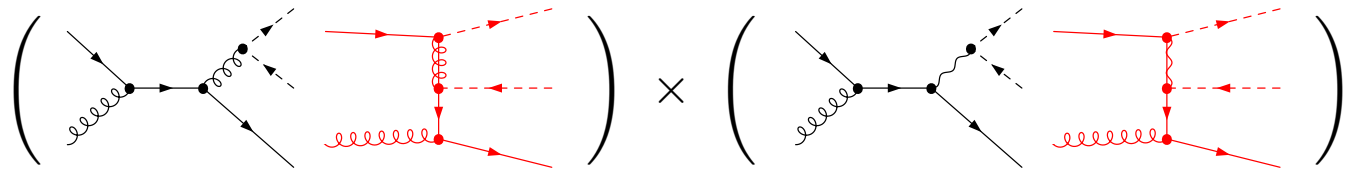
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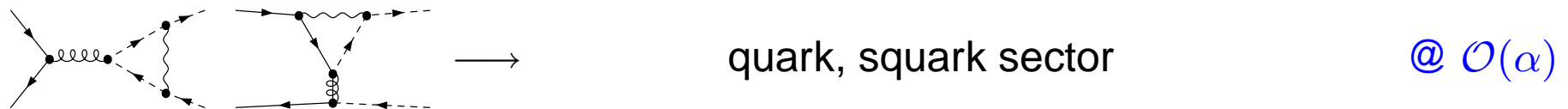
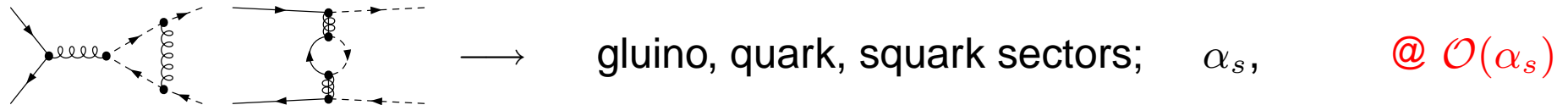
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● Sectors to renormalize:



● We focus here on the renormalization of the squark sector and of α_s

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- Divergences within DREG, $\Delta = 2/\epsilon - \gamma + \ln 4\pi$
- $\overline{\text{MS}}$ (DREG + UV poles subtraction) if light particles in loops
- Zero momentum subtraction scheme if heavy particles in loops
 \hookrightarrow SM-like running of g_s

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● Definition of $\delta \hat{g}_s$:

- Owing to SUSY should be a dependent parameter

$$\hookrightarrow \hat{g}_s = g_s; \quad \delta \hat{g}_s = \delta g_s$$

- But DREG spoils SUSY @ NLO [Beenakker *et al.*'96,98]

$$\hookrightarrow \text{SUSY restored setting: } \hat{g}_s = g_s + g_s \frac{\alpha_s}{3\pi}; \quad \delta \hat{g}_s = \delta g_s$$

- The mismatch between g_s and \hat{g}_s is reabsorbed into $\delta \hat{g}_s$:

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after diagonalization $\begin{pmatrix} \Phi_{\tilde{q}1} \\ \Phi_{\tilde{q}2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c_{\theta_{\tilde{q}}} & s_{\theta_{\tilde{q}}} \\ -s_{\theta_{\tilde{q}}} & c_{\theta_{\tilde{q}}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Phi_{\tilde{q}L} \\ \Phi_{\tilde{q}R} \end{pmatrix}$

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SO one can choose different independent set:

- $\{m_{\tilde{t},1}, m_{\tilde{t},2}, m_{\tilde{b},2}, \theta_{\tilde{t}}, \theta_{\tilde{b}}\}$
- $\{m_{\tilde{t},1}, m_{\tilde{t},2}, m_{\tilde{b},2}, \theta_{\tilde{t}}, A_b\}$
- ...

Renormalizing the squark sector, II

" m_b DR scheme": $\{m_{\tilde{t},1}, m_{\tilde{t},2}, m_{\tilde{b},2}, \theta_{\tilde{t}}, A_{\tilde{b}}\}$

Stop sector

reparametrizing:

$$m_{\tilde{t},i}^2 \rightarrow m_{\tilde{t},i}^2 + \delta m_{\tilde{t},i}^2; \quad \theta_{\tilde{t}} \rightarrow \theta_{\tilde{t}} + \delta\theta_{\tilde{t}}; \quad \begin{pmatrix} \Phi_{\tilde{t},1} \\ \Phi_{\tilde{t},2} \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \left[1 + \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \delta Z_{1,1}^{\tilde{t}} & \delta Z_{1,2}^{\tilde{t}} \\ \delta Z_{2,1}^{\tilde{t}} & \delta Z_{2,2}^{\tilde{t}} \end{pmatrix} \right] \begin{pmatrix} \Phi_{\tilde{t},1} \\ \Phi_{\tilde{t},2} \end{pmatrix}$$

- $\delta m_{\tilde{t},i}^2$ and $\delta Z_{i,i}^{\tilde{t}}$ are fixed in the *on-shell* scheme

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$$[\hat{\Sigma}_{i,i} = \Sigma_{i,i} + (p^2 - m_{\tilde{t},i}^2) \delta Z_{i,i}^{\tilde{t}} - \delta m_{\tilde{t},i}^2]$$

- $\delta Z_{i,j}^{\tilde{t}}$ and $\delta\theta_{\tilde{t}}$ imposing no squark mixing on-shell:

$$\begin{array}{c} \tilde{t}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \text{---} \xrightarrow{p} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \xrightarrow{\tilde{t}_2} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array} \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \quad \text{if } p^2 \rightarrow m_{\tilde{t},1}^2 \text{ or } p^2 \rightarrow m_{\tilde{t},2}^2$$

- $\delta A_{\tilde{t}}$ dependent, function of $\delta\mu$, $\delta \tan \beta$, δm_t ↪ [on shell scheme]

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- $\delta m_{\tilde{b},2}^2$ and $\delta Z_{i,j}^{\tilde{b}}$ fixed as in the \tilde{t} case.

- $\delta A_{\tilde{b}}$ defined imposing:

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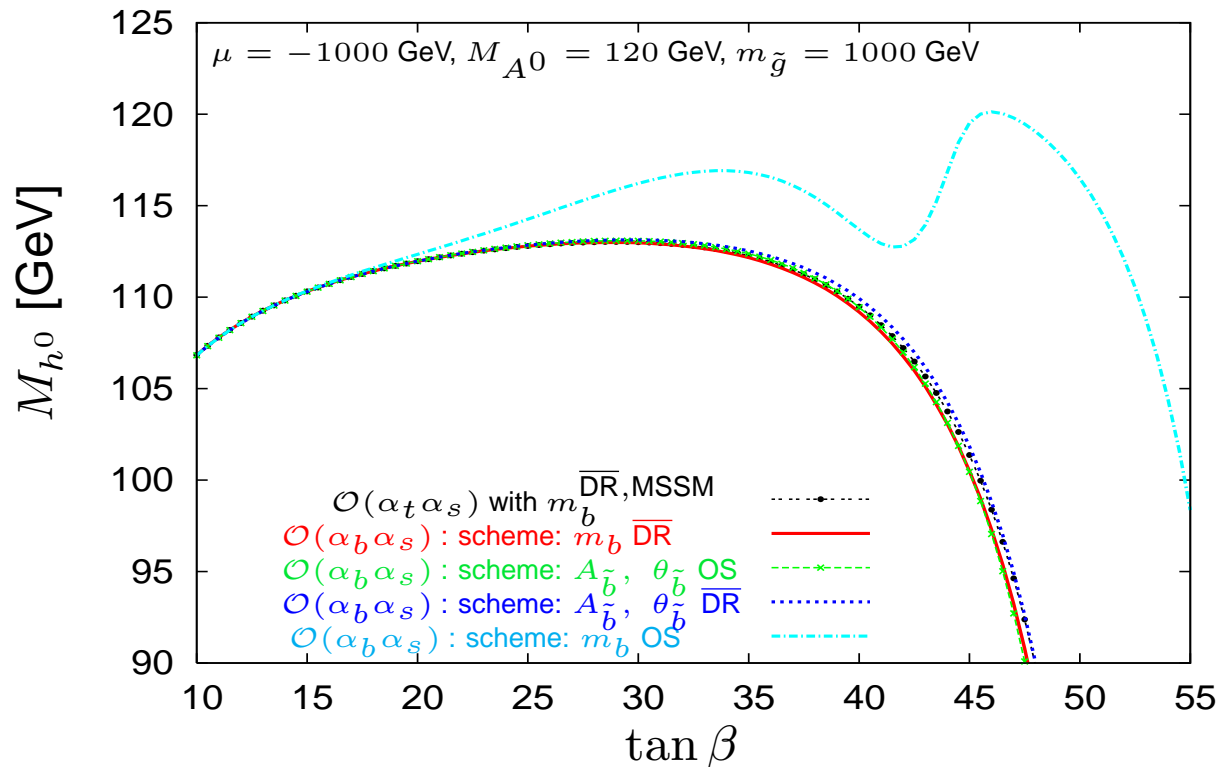
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- $\delta\theta_{\tilde{b}}$ dependent, function of $\delta\mu, \delta \tan \beta, \delta m_t, \delta m_b$
 \hookrightarrow [fixed via the $\overline{\text{DR}}$ prescription]

- Difference between stops and sbottoms ... Why?

Renormalizing the squark sector, II

A good reason: M_{h^0} including dominant two loops contribution:



[Heinemeyer, Hollik, Rzehak, Weiglein '05]

- m_b OS scheme: sbottoms treated as stops

- $A_{\tilde{b}}$ dependent and: $\frac{\delta A_{\tilde{b}}}{A_{\tilde{b}}} \sim \frac{\delta m_b}{m_b} \frac{A_{\tilde{b}} - \mu \tan \beta}{A_{\tilde{b}}} \sim \alpha_s \frac{m_{\tilde{g}}}{m_b} \frac{A_{\tilde{b}} - \mu \tan \beta}{A_{\tilde{b}}}$

→ $\delta A_b \sim A_b$ if $\tan \beta$ big ($\delta A_{\tilde{b}} \sim 3A_{\tilde{b}}$ if $\tan \beta = 50$)

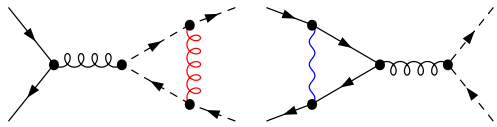
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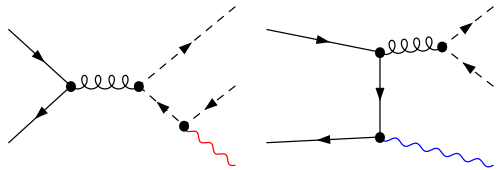
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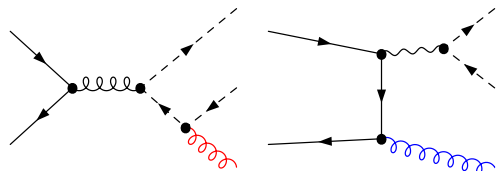
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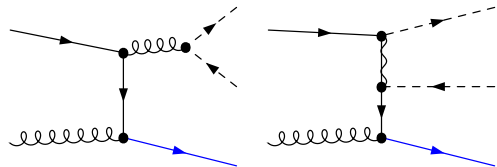
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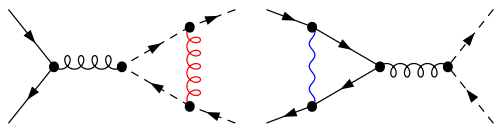
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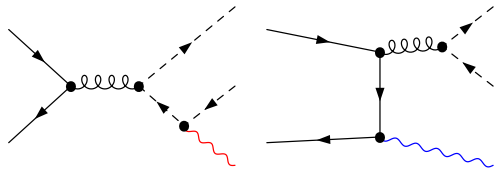
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- Two classes of singularities enter virtual corrections :
 - **Infrared** \rightarrow exchange of γ (g) between external particles
 - **Collinear** \rightarrow massless external particle splitting into two massless particles

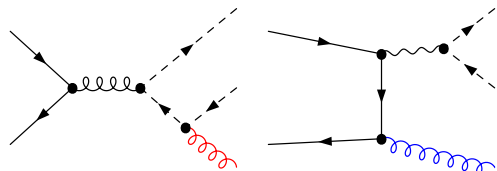
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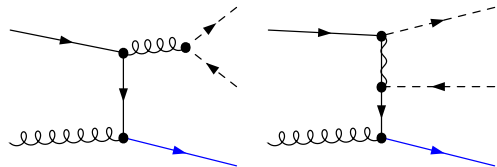
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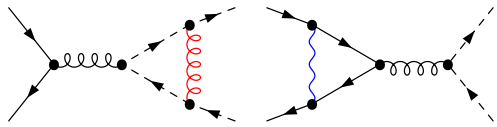
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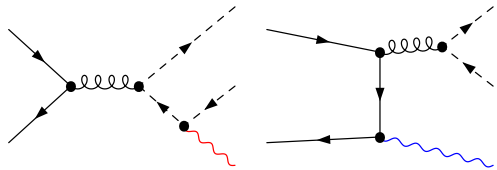
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- For real emission processes two kinds of singularities as well:
 - **Infrared** \rightarrow low-energy γ (g) emitted from an external particle
 - **Collinear** \rightarrow massless particle emitted collinearly from the initial states
- They appear in the integration over the phase space

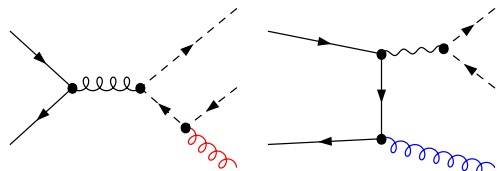
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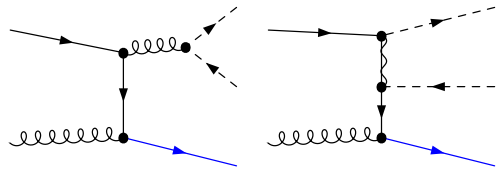
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PDF factorization =

[KLN theorem]

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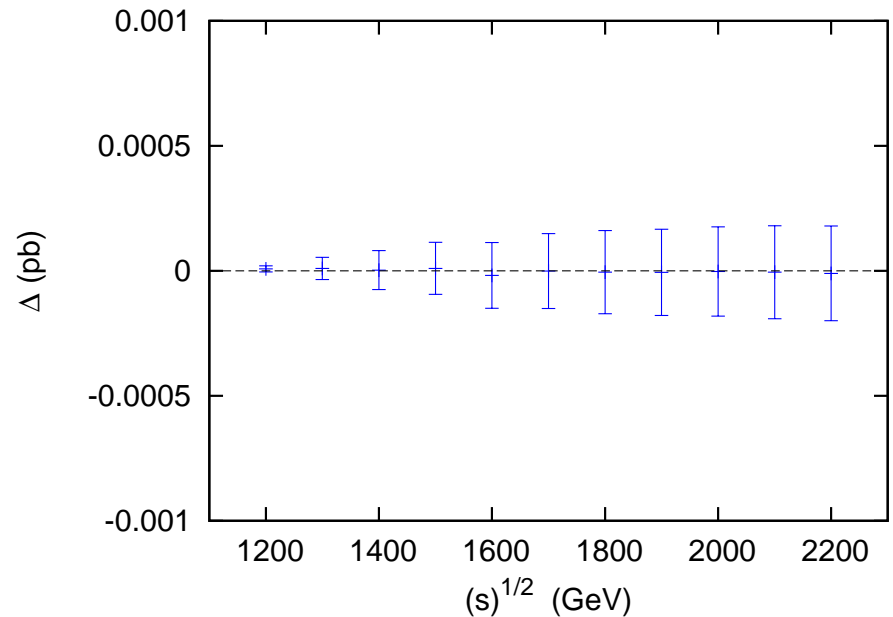
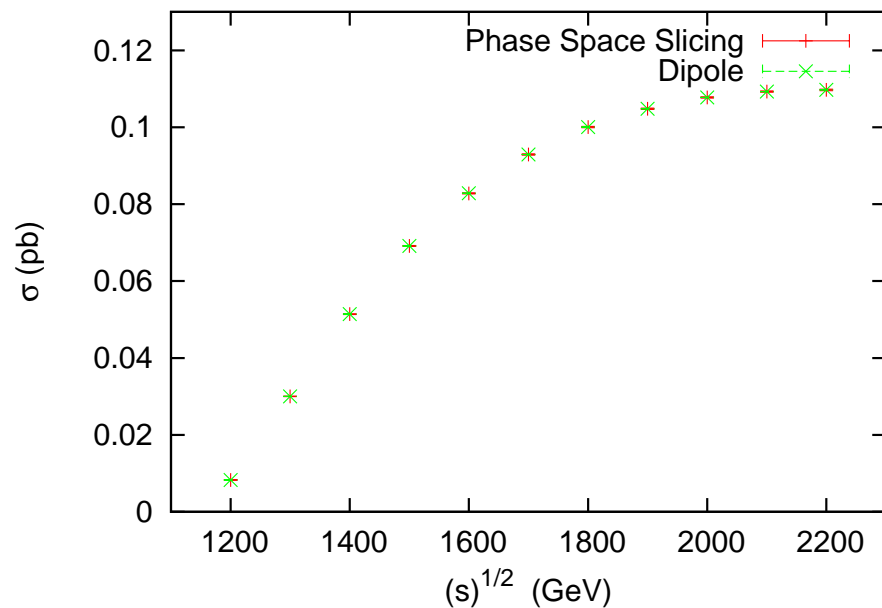
- Two methods † to extract singularities from γ (g) phase space integration:
 - Phase Space Slicing
 - Dipole Subtraction

Singular contributions known analitically and numerics involve regular functions.

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- Slicing & Subtraction
 - Two completely different approaches to the problem
 - Their comparison is a non trivial check for IR treatment
- Result of the comparison for the process $u\bar{u} \rightarrow \tilde{u}^L \tilde{u}^{L*} \gamma$

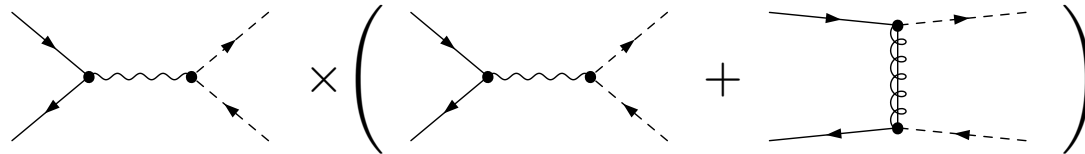


$$\Delta = (\text{Dipole} - \text{Slicing}), \text{ point SPS1a'}$$

Numerical Results

General Informations

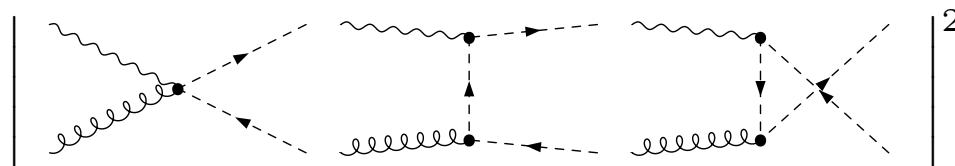
- The $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s \alpha + \alpha^2)$ contributions



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↪ their importance already known [Bornhauser, Drees, Dreiner & Kim, '07]

- The partonic process $g\gamma \rightarrow \tilde{Q}^a \tilde{Q}^{a*}$:



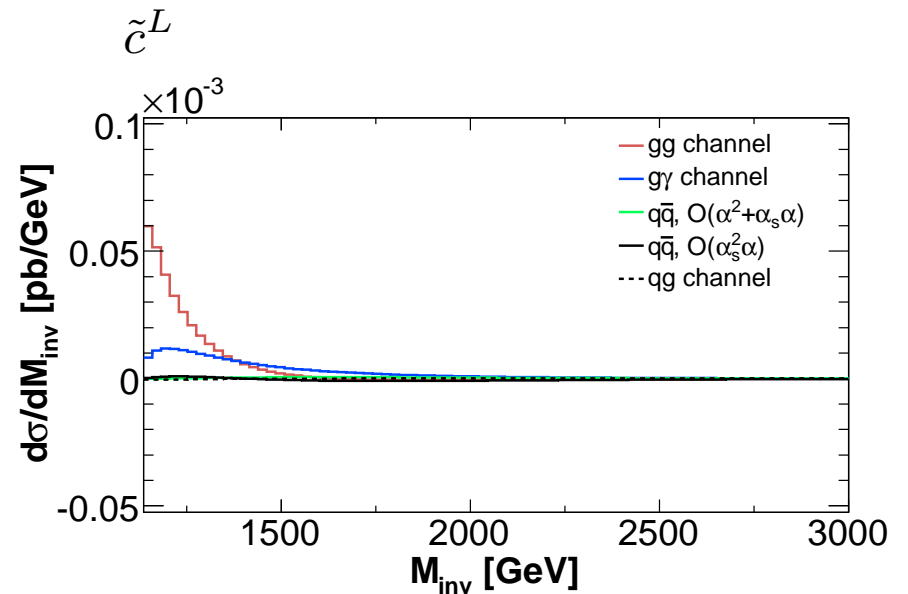
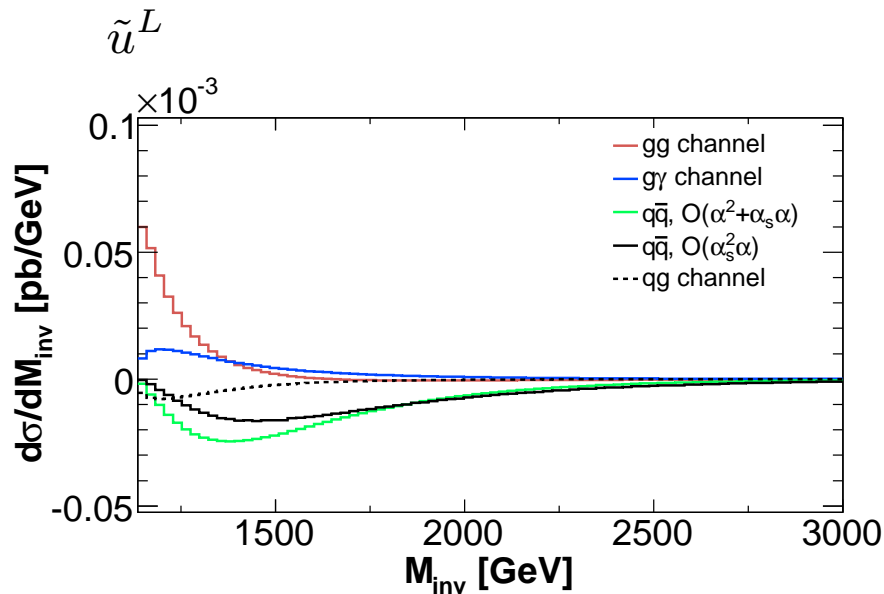
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↪ included in the stop case, found to be important [Hollik, Kollar & Trenkel, '07]

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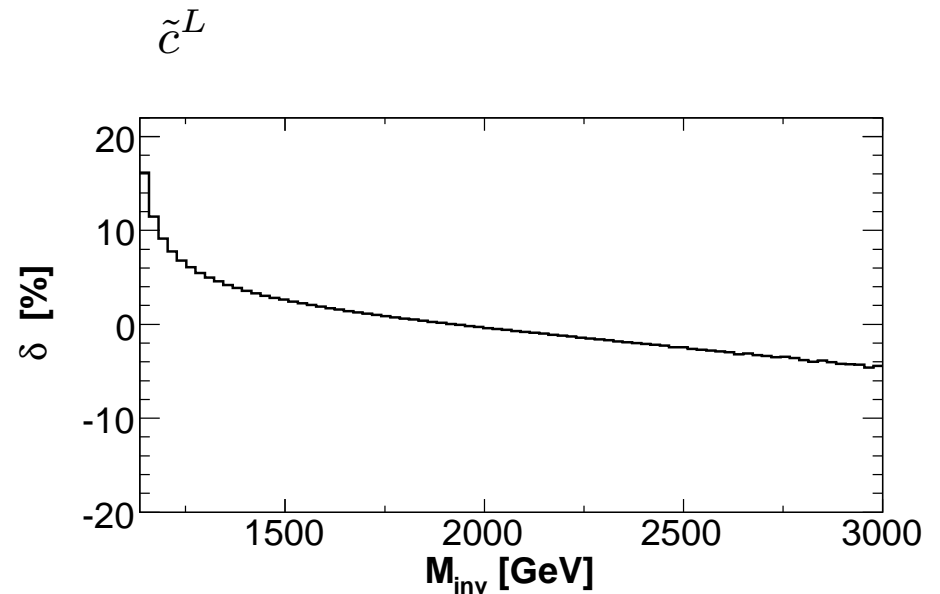
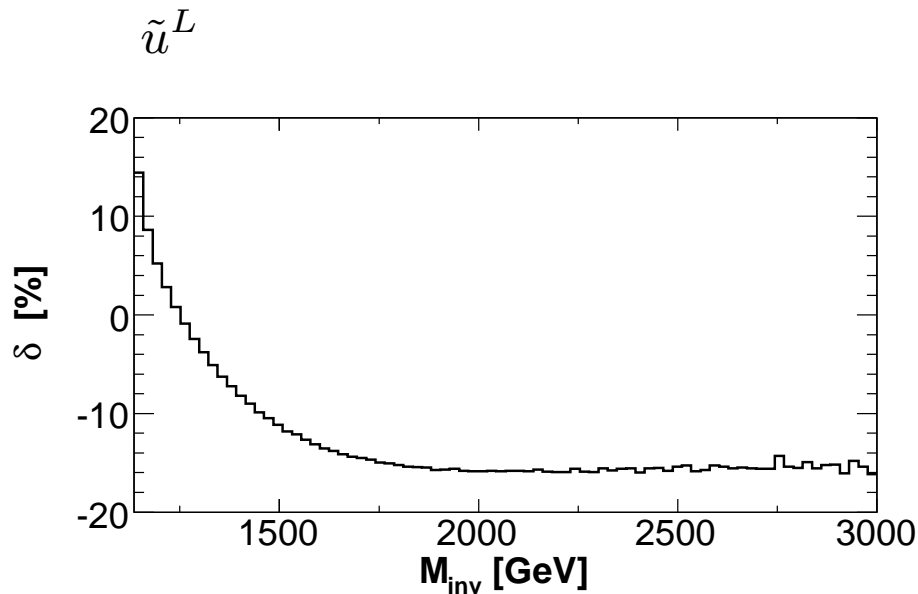
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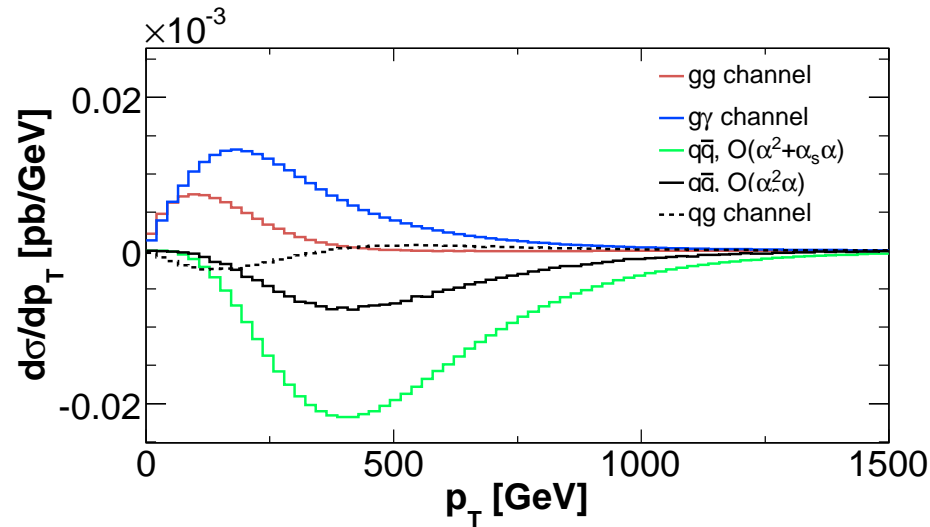
- ↳ \tilde{u}, \tilde{c} case: lead the corrections in the high M_{inv} region

- ↳ \tilde{u} case: render EW corrections sizable (& negative) for $M_{\text{inv}} > 1300$ GeV

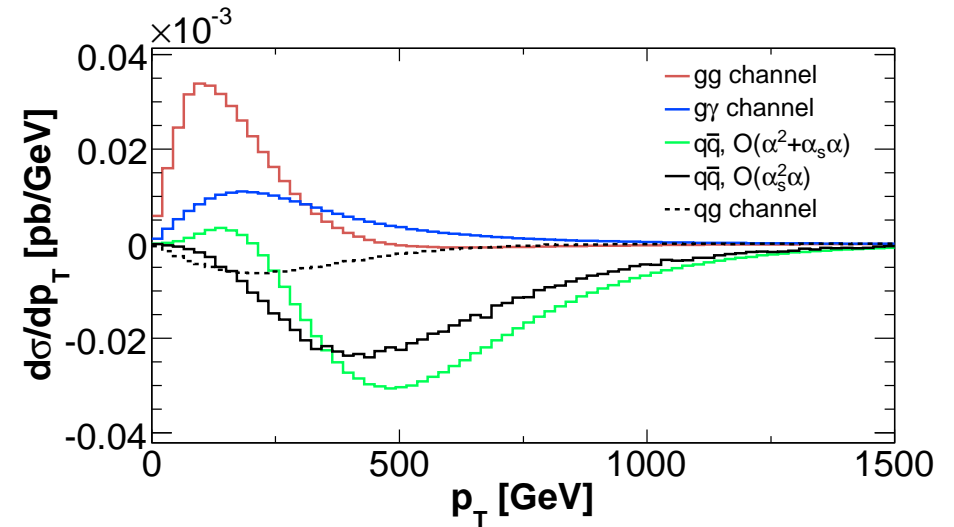
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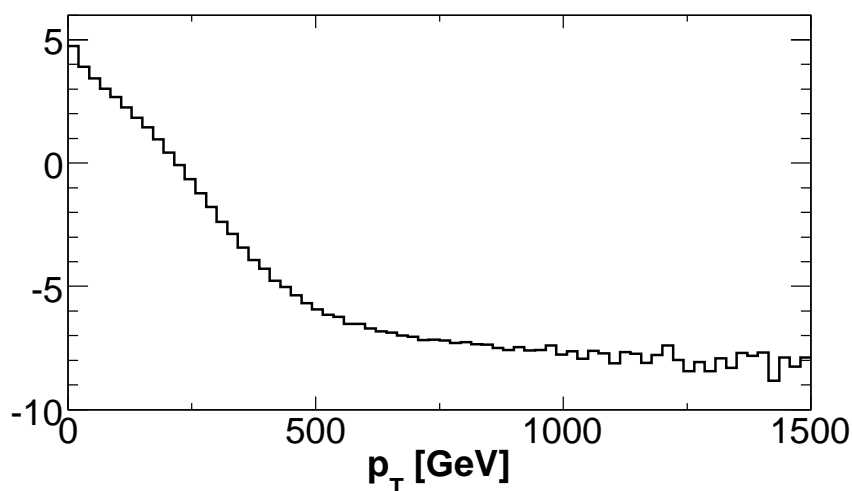


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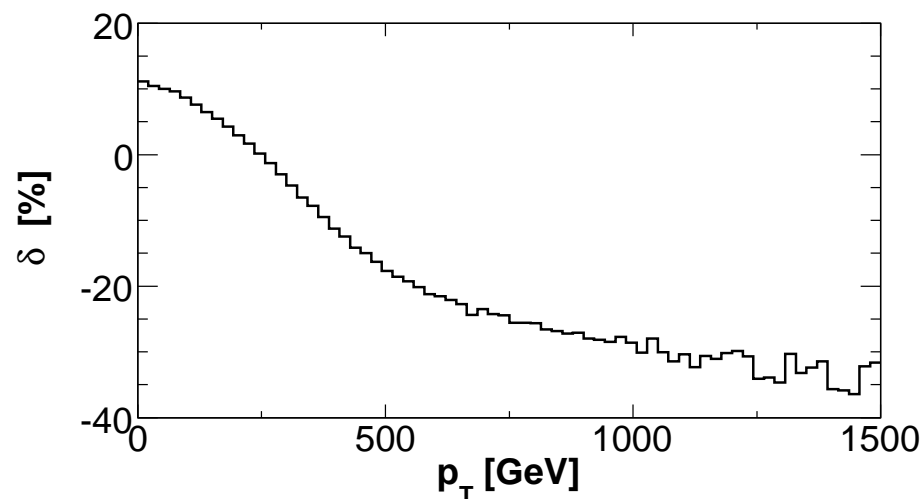
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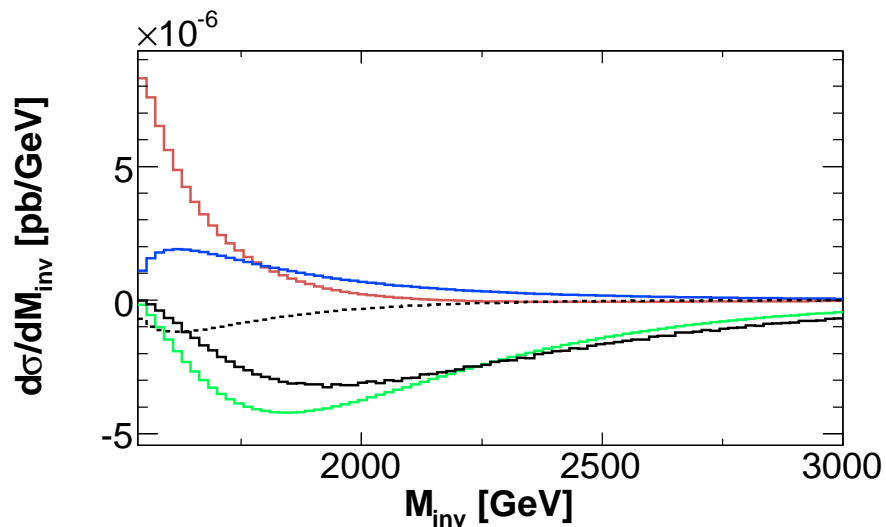


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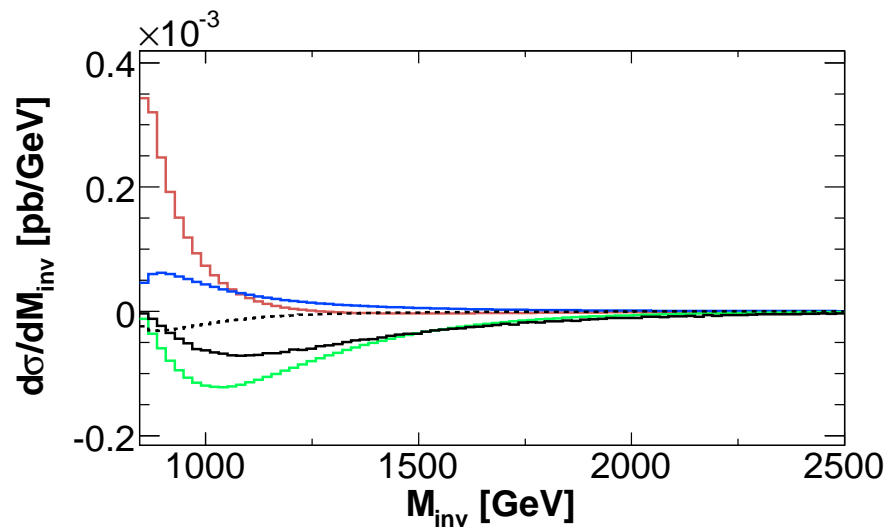
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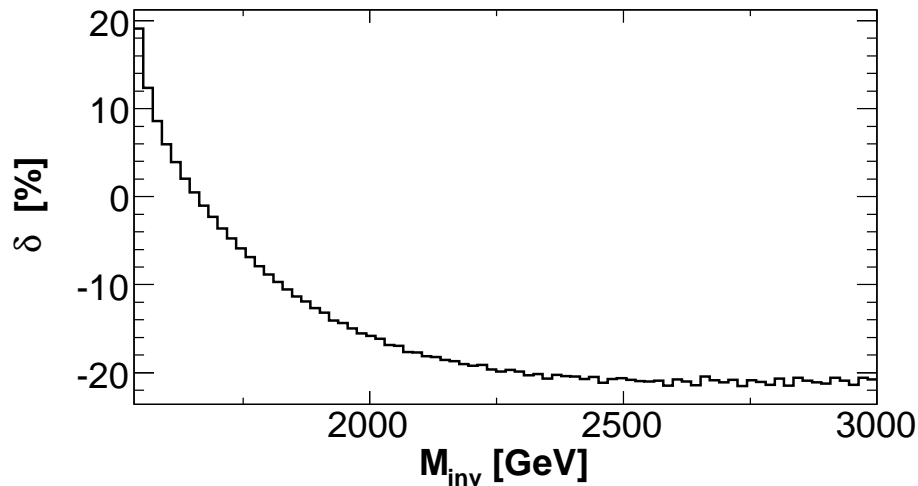
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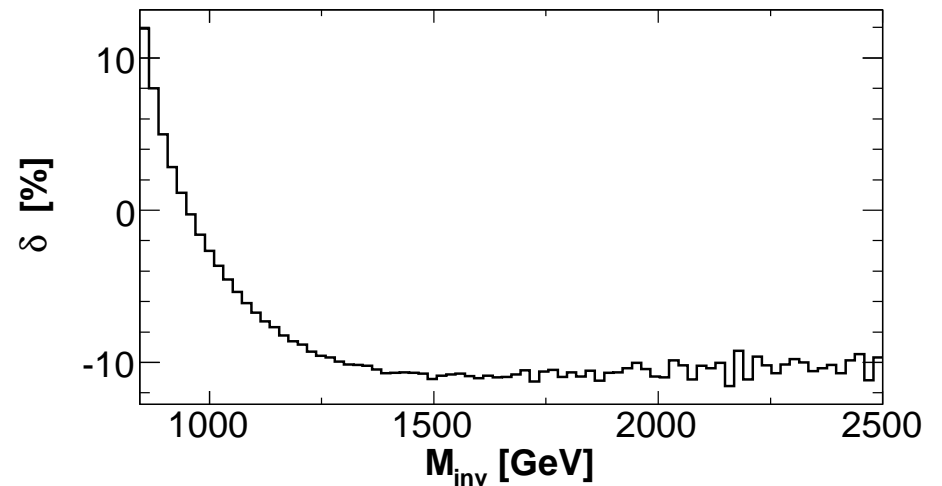
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Conclusions & Outlook

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 - depend on flavour, chirality and mass of the squarks,
 - sizable, at least in the distributions . . .
 - . . . Not trivial to compute.

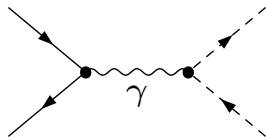
Road map:

- Compute the $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2 \alpha)$ corrections to other processes of production of SUSY colored particle:
 - gluino pair production → completed
 - squark-squark pair production → next project
 - non diagonal squark–anti-squark production → on the wish list
- Merge EW corrections with the NLO QCD ones

Backup Slides

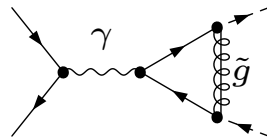
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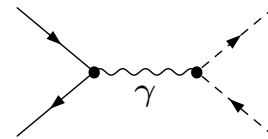


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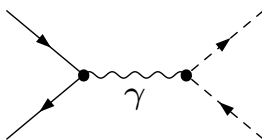


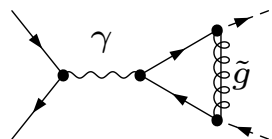
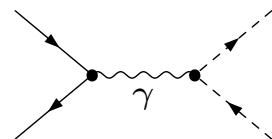
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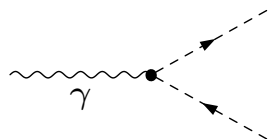
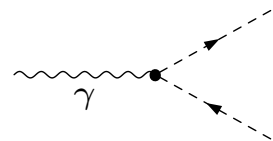
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computed in
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● **Phase Space Slicing.** The photon phase space is divided into two parts introducing cuts:

- regular region integrated numerically
- singular region eikonal approximation after mass regularization
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 - ... But not too much (numerical instabilities)

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● **Subtraction method.** Add and subtract a function \mathcal{M}_{sub} such that

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ii) \mathcal{M}_{sub} easy enough to be analytically computed

● $(|\mathcal{M}_{\text{sub}}|^2 - |\mathcal{M}|^2)$ is regular and evaluated numerically

● $\int d\Phi_3 |\mathcal{M}_{\text{sub}}|^2$ exactly evaluated (after mass regularization)

● **Remarks:**

+ All numerics involve regular functions

+ No cut off are needed

+ leads to more precise results

Gluon emission & color algebra

Caveat Gluon carries charge \Rightarrow color correlation after gluon emission.

\hookrightarrow Color algebra has to be considered when extracting singularities

consider the colored amplitudes

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so in the soft limit we have:

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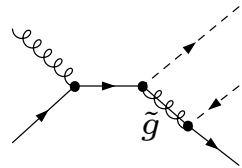
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