

# Dipole subtraction with random polarisations

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## PART I

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# NUMERICAL POLARISATIONS

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Perform integration with Monte Carlo methods!

$$I = \int_{[0,1)^d} d^d x f(\vec{x}) \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N f(\vec{u}_n), \quad \vec{u}_n \in [0,1)^d$$

Error scales like  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}$ , independent of  $d$ !

# “CLASSICAL” METHOD: HELICITY AMPLITUDES

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n} |\mathcal{A}_{\lambda_1 \dots \lambda_n}|^2 &= \sum_{\lambda_1 = \pm} \cdots \sum_{\lambda_n = \pm} |\mathcal{A}_{\lambda_1 \lambda_2 \dots \lambda_n}|^2 \\ &= |\mathcal{A}_{+++ \dots +}|^2 + |\mathcal{A}_{-++ \dots +}|^2 + \cdots + |\mathcal{A}_{--- \dots -}|^2\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ compute all squared amplitudes, called **helicity amplitudes**
- ▶  $2^n$  amplitudes per phase space point

Possible speed-ups:

- ▶ use parity conservation → only  $2^{n-1}$  amplitudes

$$\mathcal{A}_{\lambda_1 \lambda_2 \dots \lambda_n} = -\mathcal{A}_{-\lambda_1, -\lambda_2, \dots, -\lambda_n}^*$$

- ▶ recursive methods: store off-shell currents with same helicity configurations and reuse them

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## Why does this work?

Analytically, we can pull out polarisations of squared amplitude:

$$\sum_{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n} |\mathcal{A}_{\lambda_1 \dots \lambda_n}|^2 = \prod_{m=1}^n \left[ \sum_{\lambda_m} \epsilon_{\lambda_m}^{\mu_m} (\epsilon_{\lambda_m}^{\nu_m})^* \right] \times \mathcal{M}_{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n, \nu_1, \dots, \nu_n}$$

$$\epsilon^\mu(\theta) (\epsilon^\nu(\theta))^* = \epsilon_+^\mu (\epsilon_+^\nu)^* + \epsilon_-^\mu (\epsilon_-^\nu)^* + e^{4\pi i \theta} \epsilon_+^\mu (\epsilon_-^\nu)^* + e^{-4\pi i \theta} \epsilon_-^\mu (\epsilon_+^\nu)^*$$

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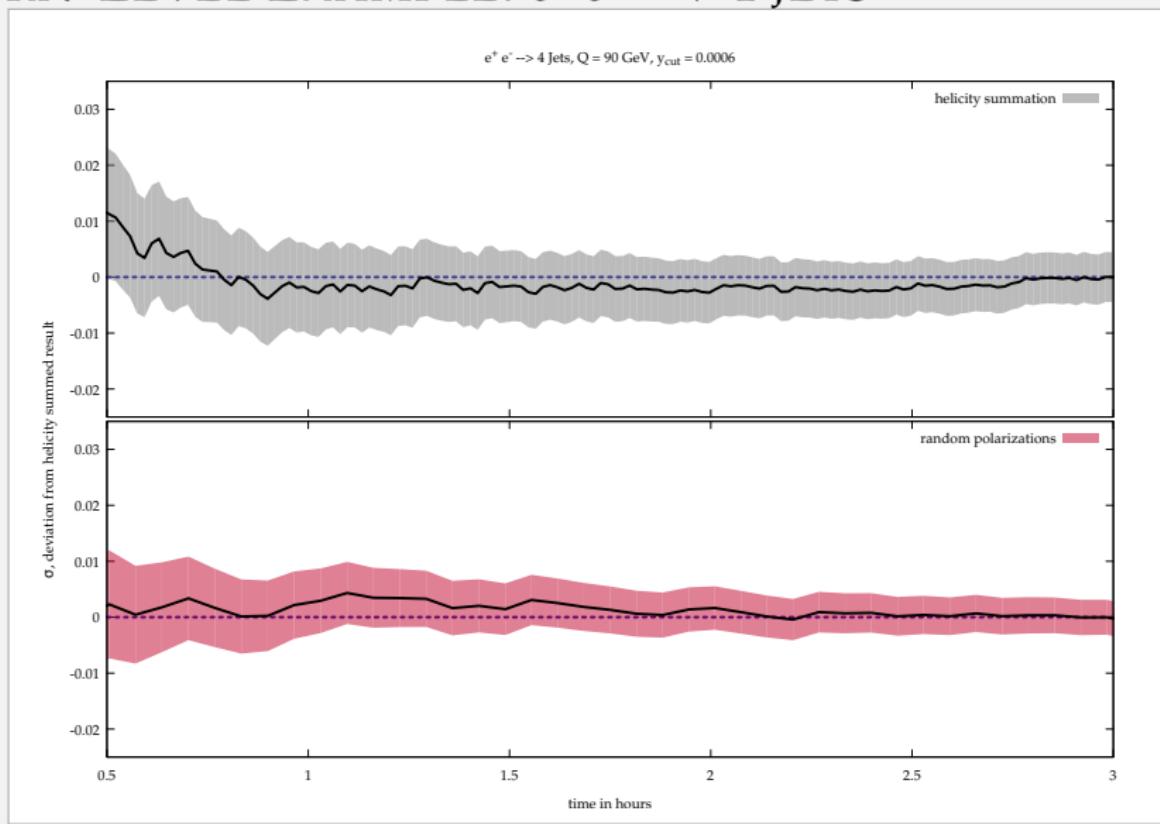
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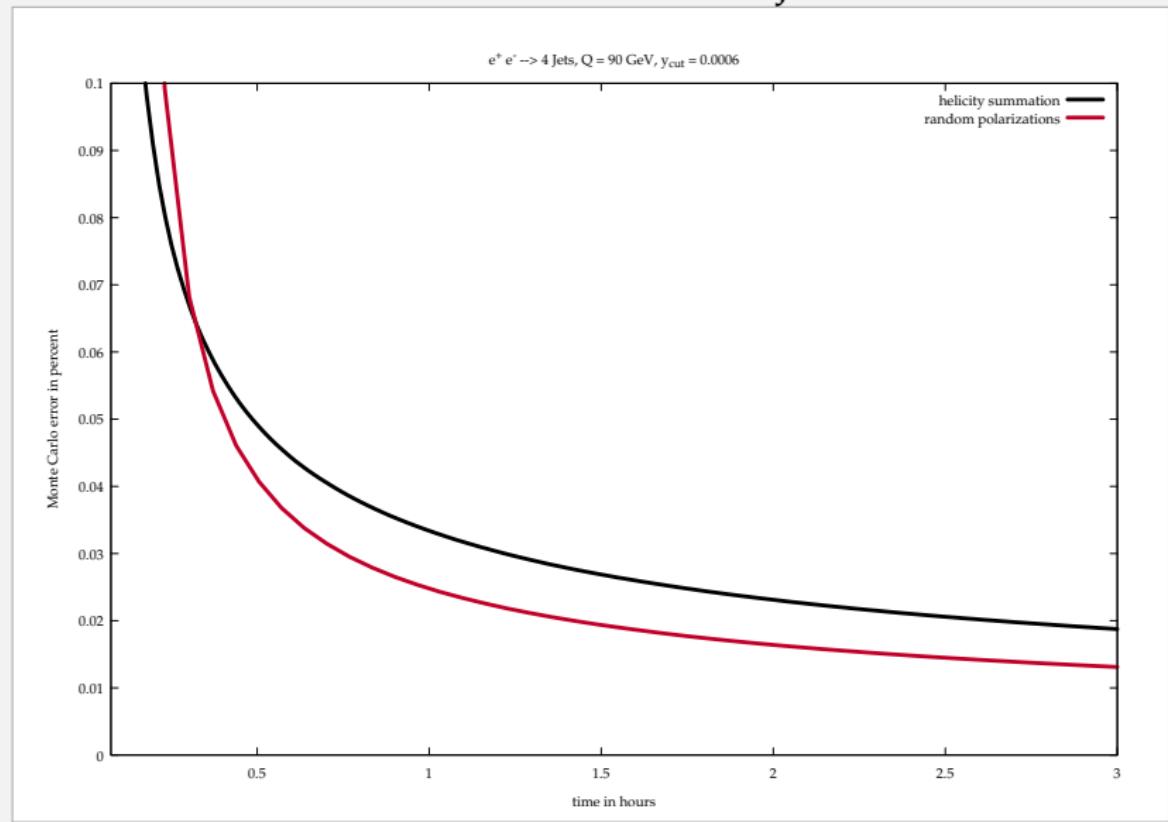
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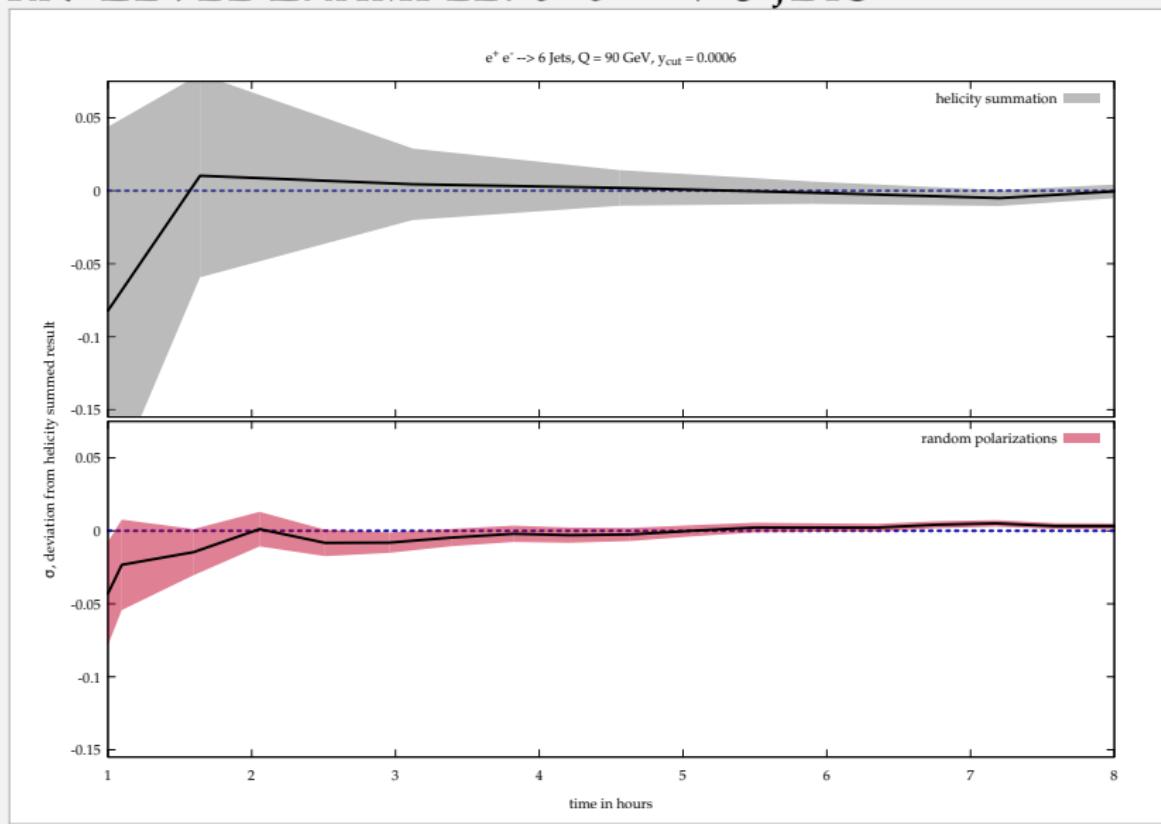
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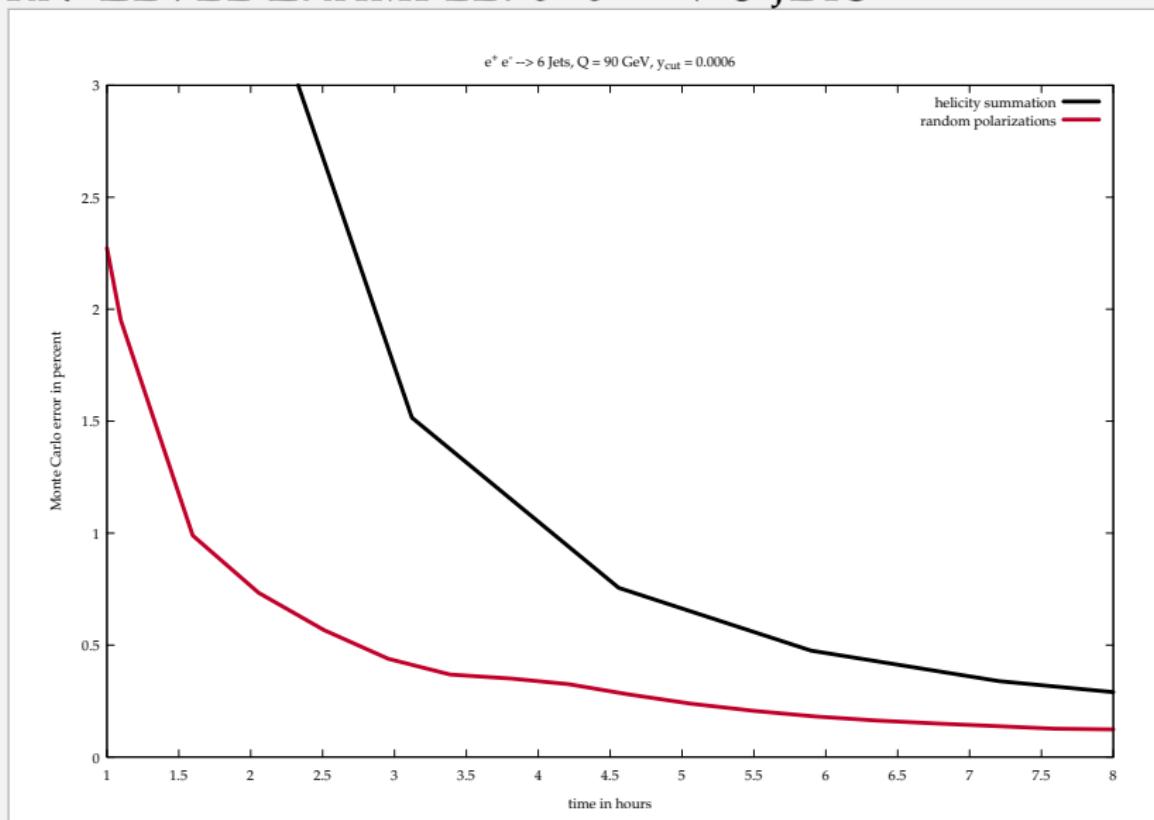
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## PART II

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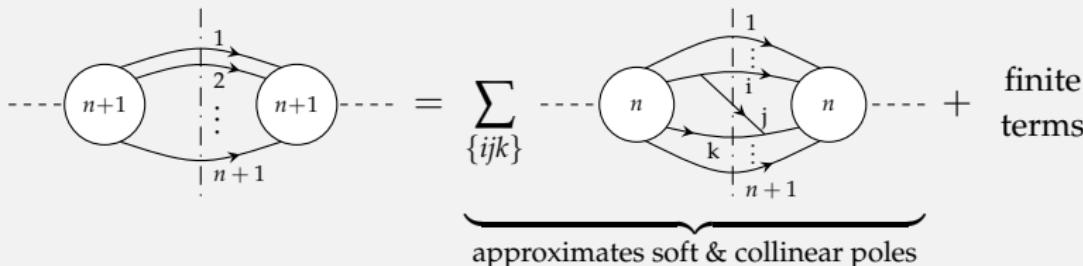
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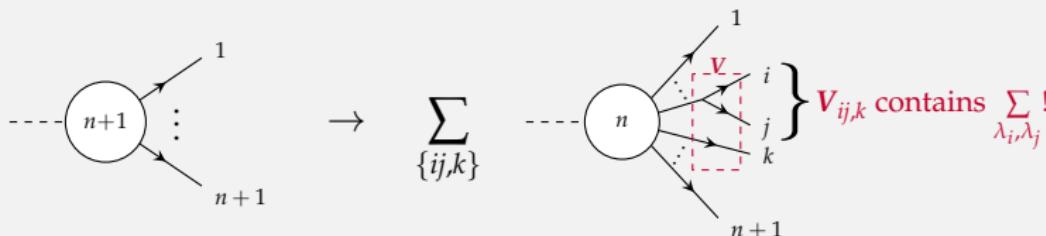
# DIPOLE FORMALISM

formulated at level of squared, **helicity summed** amplitudes.

External-leg insertion rule:  $|\mathcal{A}_{n+1}|^2 \rightarrow |\mathcal{A}_n|^2 \otimes V_{ij,k}$



Factorisation in dipole formalism:



## DIPOLE FORMALISM: SUBTRACTION TERM

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 $V_{ij,k}$  derived from singular part of squared, helicity summed splitting vertex:

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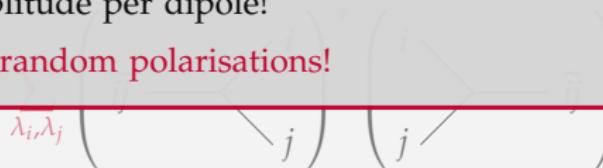
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Note: each  $\mathcal{D}$  has to be computed  $2^{n-1}$  times,  
once for every helicity amplitude  $\mathcal{A}_n(\tilde{i}, \tilde{j}, \tilde{k})$ !

$V_{ij,k}$  denote fitting vertex  $\Rightarrow$  reduce computation time by computing only one amplitude per dipole!

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Now: **random polarisations** (RP)

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- Recall: for both particles  $i$  and  $j$ , we have to use

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Right hand terms **mix different helicities of same particle!**

Example combination for particle  $i$ :

$$\left( \bar{i}j - \left( \begin{array}{c} \epsilon_+ \\ ij \end{array} \right) \right)^* \left( \begin{array}{c} \epsilon_- \\ \epsilon(\theta_j) \end{array} \right)$$

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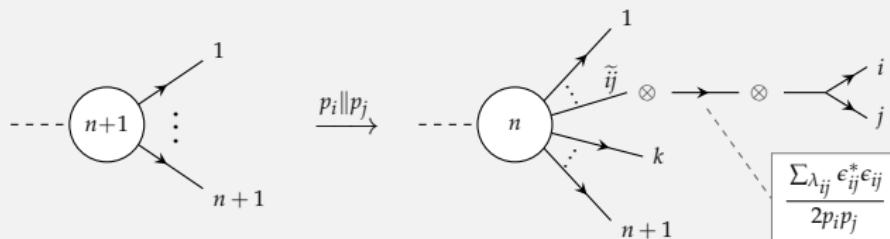
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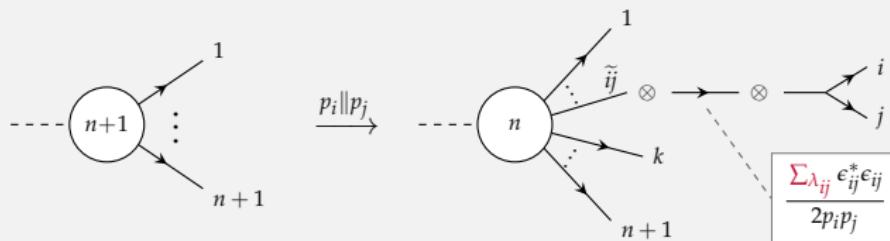
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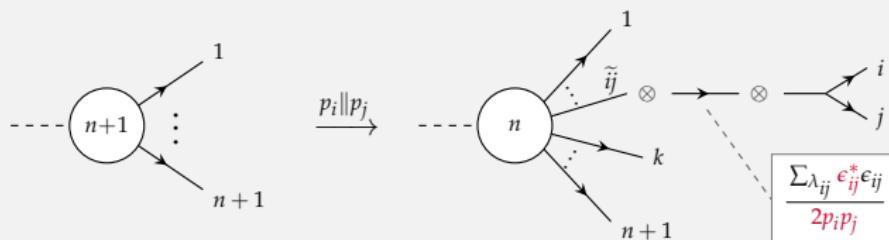
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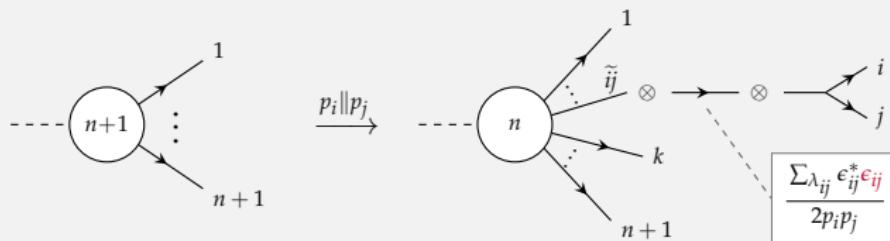
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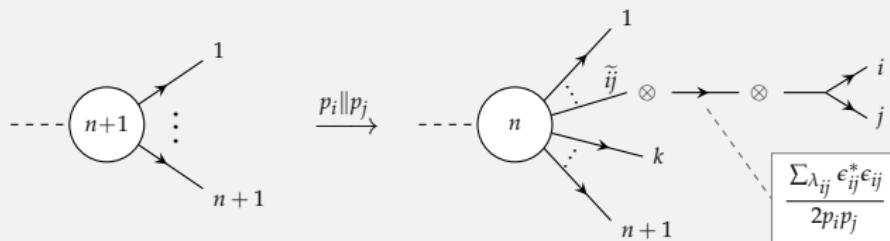
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Squared amplitude:

$$\lim_{p_i \parallel p_j} |\mathcal{A}_{n+1}|^2 = 4\pi\alpha_s \mu^{2\epsilon} (\mathcal{A}_n^*)^\xi \mathbf{T}_{(ij) \rightarrow i+j}^2 \left[ \tilde{P}_{(ij) \rightarrow i+j} \right]_{\xi\xi'} \mathcal{A}_n^{\xi'}$$

where

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**Product of Split-functions** automatically generates correct product of polarisations!

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well-known:

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Additional soft terms:

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## FINALLY: DIPOLE SUBTRACTION WITH RP

$$d\sigma^{\tilde{A}} \propto d\phi_{n-1} d\theta_{n+1} \left( \sum_{(i,j)} \sum_{k \neq i,j} \tilde{\mathcal{D}}_{ij,k} F_J^n + \text{IS...} \right)$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{D}}_{ij,k} = -4\pi\alpha_s \mu^{2\epsilon} (\mathcal{A}_n)^\xi \frac{\mathbf{T}_{ij} \cdot \mathbf{T}_k}{\mathbf{T}_{ij}^2} \left[ \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{ij,k} \right]_{\xi\xi'} \mathcal{A}_n^{\xi'}$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{ij,k} = C_{(ij) \rightarrow i+j} \mathcal{R} \left[ \tilde{P}_{(ij) \rightarrow i+j} + \tilde{S}_{(ij) \rightarrow i+j} \right]$$

$$\left[ \tilde{P}_{(ij) \rightarrow i+j} \right]_{(\mu\nu)}^{\alpha\beta} = \sum_{\lambda,\lambda'} \left( \begin{matrix} u_\alpha^\lambda(\tilde{p}_{ij}) \\ \epsilon_\mu^\lambda(\tilde{p}_{ij})^* \end{matrix} \right) \text{Split}^{\lambda*} \text{Split}^{\lambda'} \left( \begin{matrix} u_\beta^{\lambda'}(\tilde{p}_{ij}) \\ \epsilon_\nu^{\lambda'}(\tilde{p}_{ij}) \end{matrix} \right)$$

$$\mathcal{R}f(\theta_i, \theta_j) \equiv f(\theta_i, \theta_j) - \sum_{\lambda_i, \lambda_j} f(\lambda_i, \lambda_j)$$

$$\tilde{p}_{ij} = p_i + p_j - \frac{y_{ij,k}}{1-y_{ij,k}} p_k$$

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$C_{(ij) \rightarrow i+j}$	$C_F$	$C_A$	$T_R$
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# ADDITIONAL REMARKS

## Generality of the method

- ▶ previous slides: final-state emitter and spectator; using crossing symmetry one can easily derive other three cases (final-initial, initial-final, initial-initial)  
↪ see publication below!
- ▶ method also works with massive particles: need more complicated momentum parametrisations  $\tilde{p}_{ij}$  and  $\tilde{p}_k$   
→ see publication below!

## Feature of the method

- ▶ does not require knowledge of original subtraction term  $d\sigma^A$ , only requires that it is formulated for helicity summed squared amplitudes  
↪ use with subtraction scheme of your choice!

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Thank you for your attention!

# Backup Slides

# RP FOR MASSIVE PARTICLES & CHANGES TO $d\sigma^{\tilde{A}}$

We use light-cone parametrisation for massless fermion spinors.

To obtain a massive spinor with  $P^2 = m^2$ , use parametrisation

$$u_{\pm}(P, m) = \frac{1}{\langle P^b \pm |q_{\mp}\rangle} (\not{P} + m) u_{\mp}(q, 0)$$

where

- $P^b = P - \frac{P^2}{2P \cdot q} q$
- $q$  is an arbitrary light-like reference momentum ( $q^2 = 0$ ).

New momentum parametrisation for massive final-final  $d\sigma^{\tilde{A}}$ :

$$\tilde{p}_{ij} = Q - p_k,$$

$$\tilde{p}_k = \frac{\sqrt{\lambda(Q^2, m_{ij}^2, m_k^2)}}{\sqrt{\lambda(Q^2, (p_i + p_j)^2, m_k^2)}} \left( p_k - \frac{Q \cdot p_k}{Q^2} Q \right) + \frac{Q^2 + m_k^2 - m_{ij}^2}{2Q^2} Q$$

where

- $Q = p_i + p_j + p_k$ ,
- $\lambda(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 2xy - 2yz - 2zx$ .

# RP & DIMENSIONAL REGULARISATION

Three different variants of DR wrt. spin/helicity treatment:

1. Conventional DR: all spin dof extended to  $d$  dimensions,
2. 't Hooft-Veltman: only spin dofs of unobserved particles extended to  $d$  dimensions,
3. four-dimensional helicity scheme: all spin dof 4 dimensional

There may be additional spin degrees of freedom for 1. and 2.

$\hookrightarrow \varepsilon$ -helicities denoted by  $\epsilon_\mu^{(-2\varepsilon)}$

Polarisation sum given by

$$\epsilon_\mu^+{}^* \epsilon_\nu^+ + \epsilon_\mu^-{}^* \epsilon_\nu^- + \epsilon_\mu^{(-2\varepsilon)}{}^* \epsilon_\nu^{(-2\varepsilon)}$$

Let RP  $\epsilon_\mu(\theta)$  act in four-dimensional subspace. We then find

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_\mu(\theta){}^* \epsilon_\nu(\theta) + \epsilon_\mu^{(-2\varepsilon)}{}^* \epsilon_\nu^{(-2\varepsilon)} &= \left( \epsilon_\mu^+{}^* \epsilon_\nu^+ + \epsilon_\mu^-{}^* \epsilon_\nu^- + \epsilon_\mu^{(-2\varepsilon)}{}^* \epsilon_\nu^{(-2\varepsilon)} \right) \\ &\quad + e^{4\pi i \theta} \epsilon_+^\mu{}^* \epsilon_-^\nu + e^{-4\pi i \theta} \epsilon_-^\mu{}^* \epsilon_+^\nu \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$  RHS again polarisation sum plus helicity mixing terms!

# ALTERNATIVE METHOD: HELICITY SAMPLING

Replace sum by integral:

$$\sum_{\Lambda_n} |\mathcal{A}_{\Lambda_n}|^2 = 2^n \int_{[0,1)^n} d^n u |\mathcal{A}_{u_1 u_2 \dots u_n}|^2$$

with

$$\epsilon(p_i, u_i) = \begin{cases} \epsilon_-(p_i) & \text{for } 0 \leq u_i < 0.5 \\ \epsilon_+(p_i) & \text{for } 0.5 \leq u_i < 1 \end{cases}$$

(analogously for fermion spinors)

⇒ perform integral via MC alongside PS integral (increase  $d!$ )

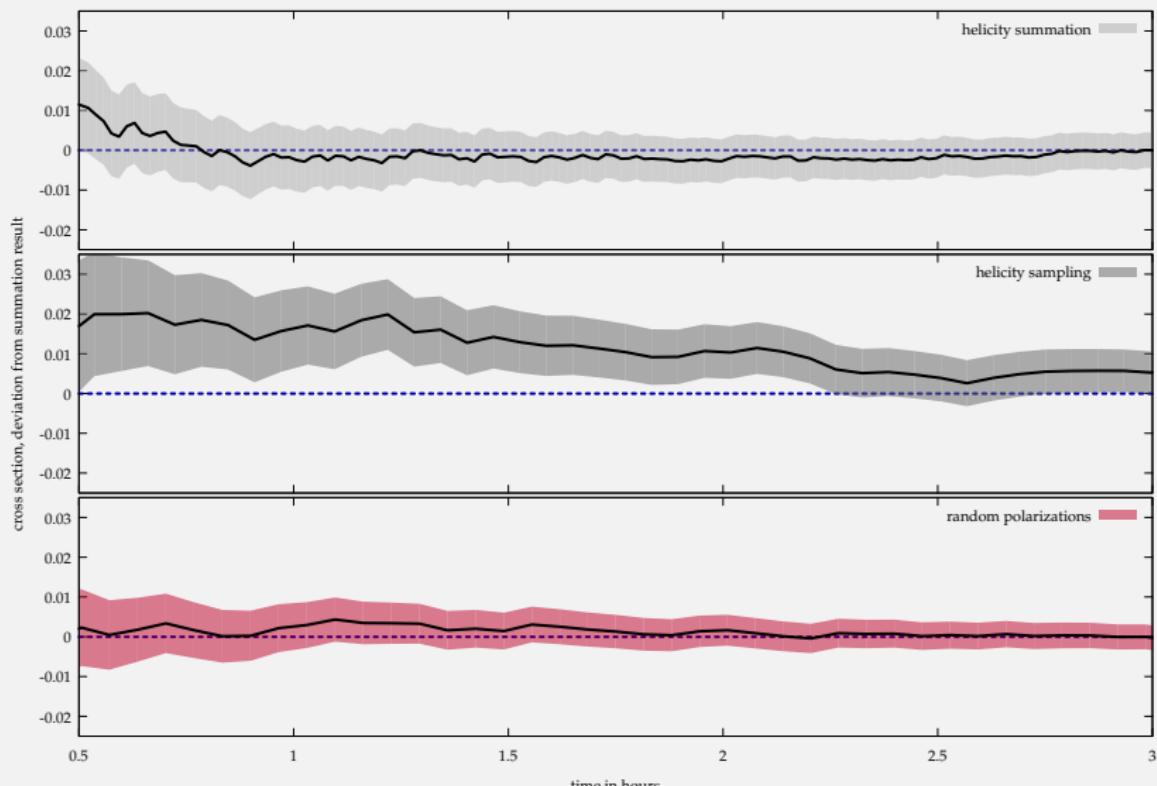
- ▶ only **one** helicity amplitude per PS point!

**but: not ideal for VEGAS algorithm**

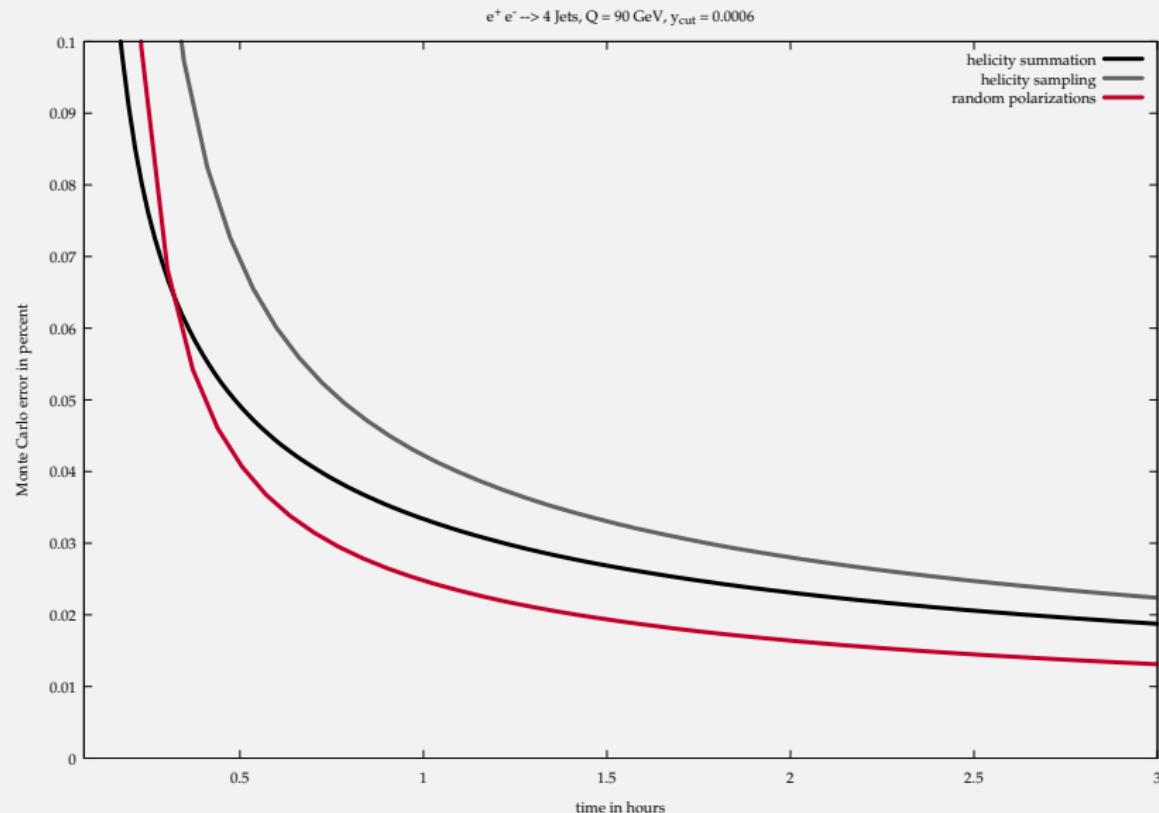
- ▶ mapping  $u_i \rightarrow \epsilon(p_i, u_i)$  is not a continuous function,
- ▶ no factorisation as required by VEGAS!

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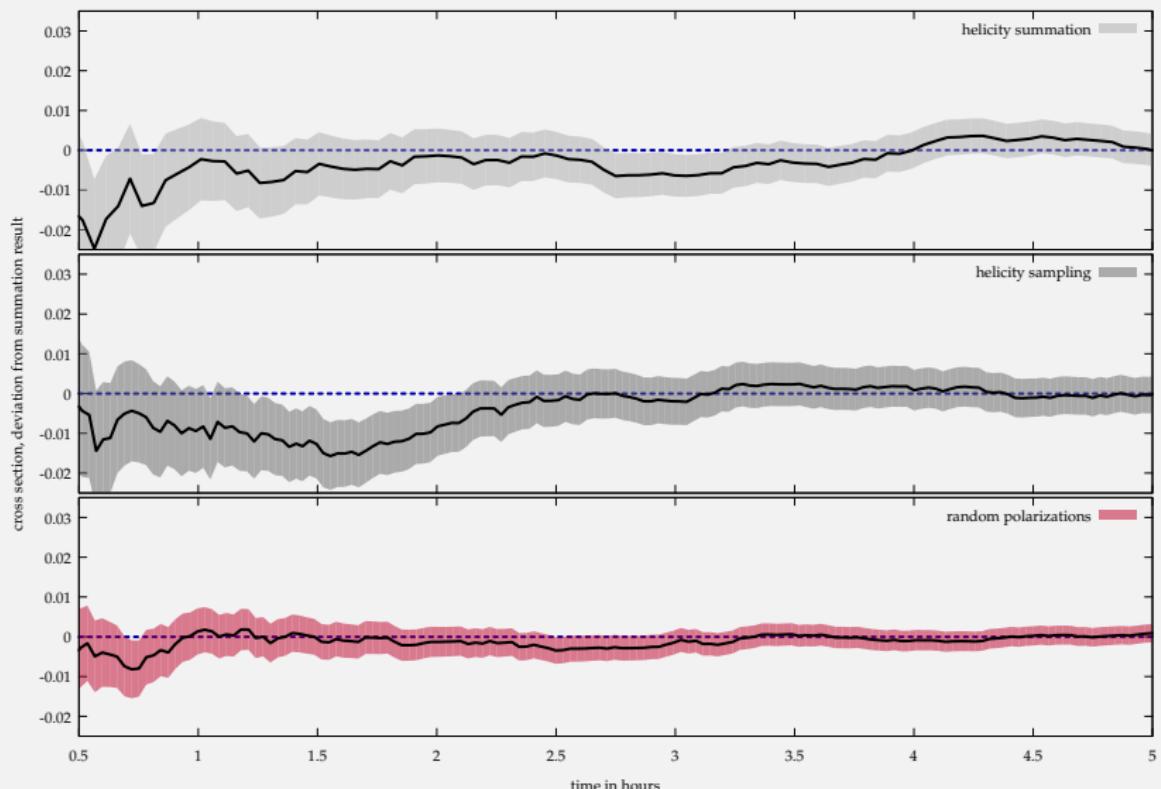


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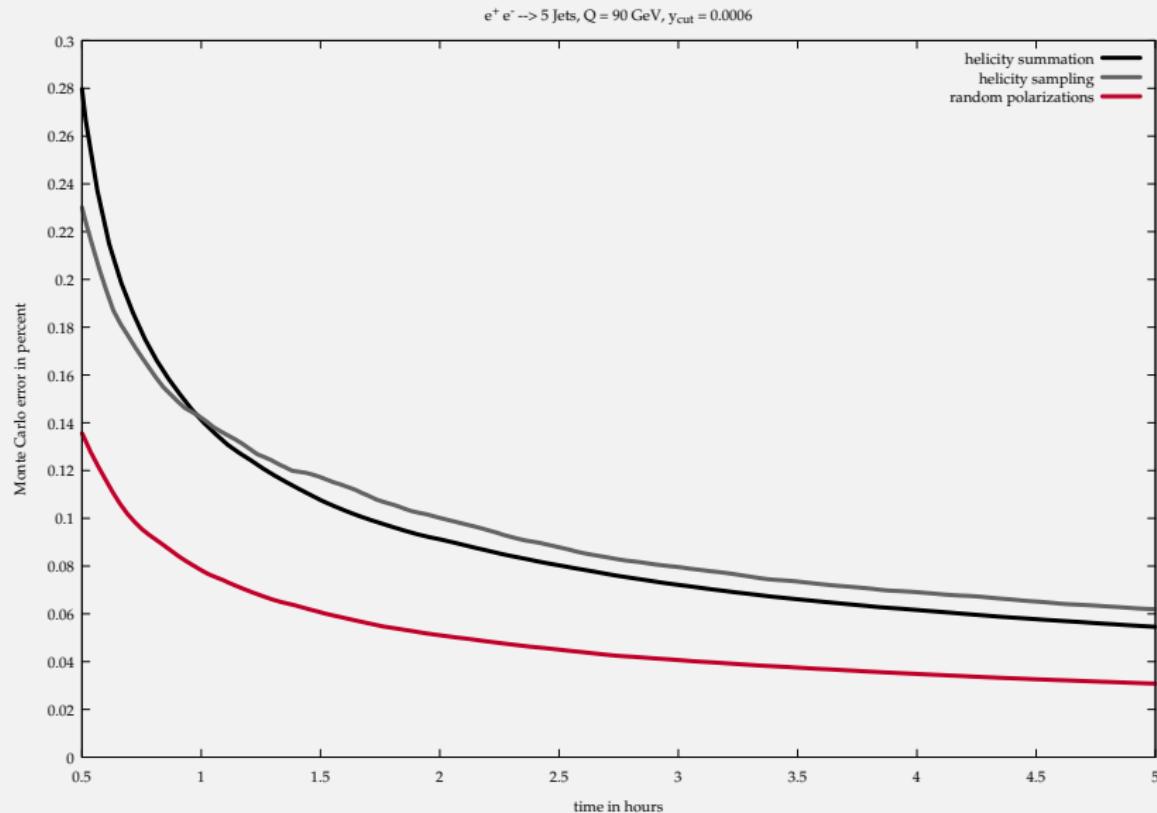


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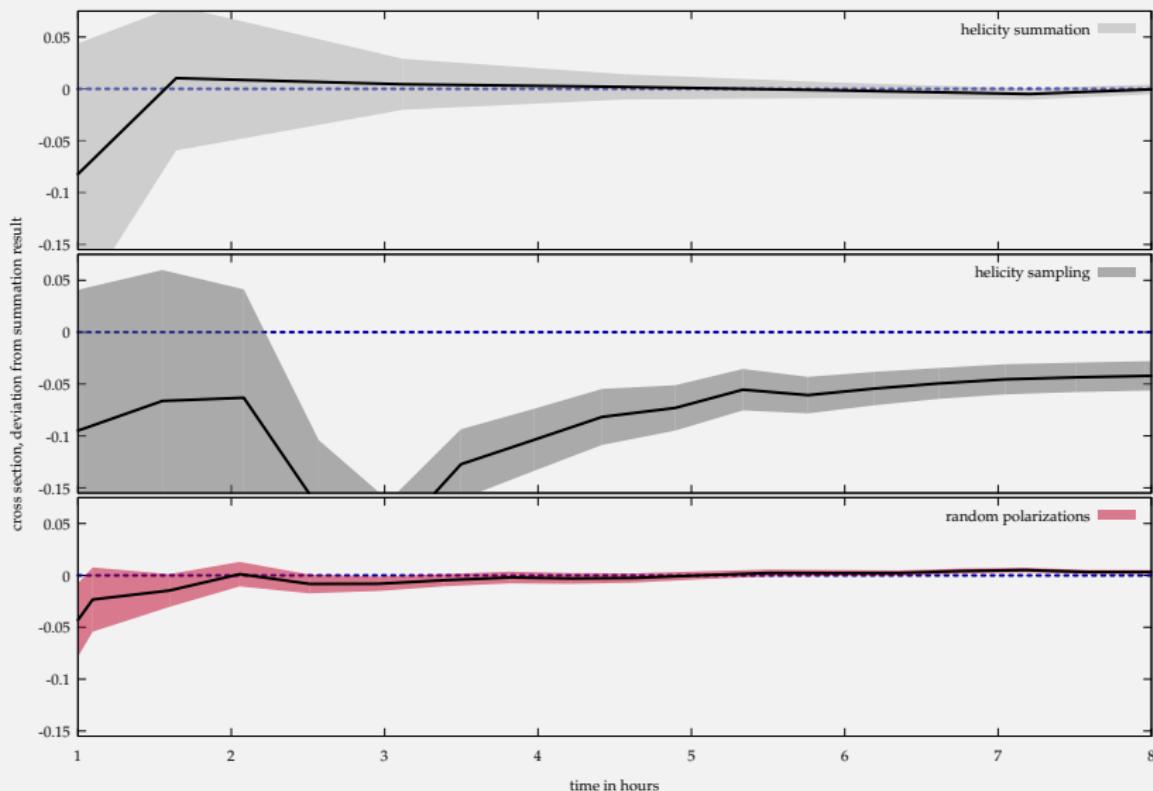


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