



# OpenLoops @ 2 loops

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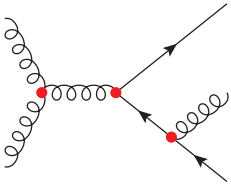
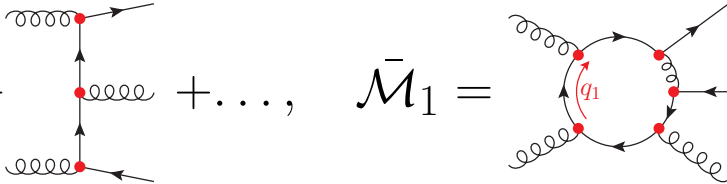
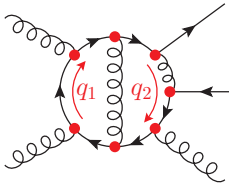
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# Scattering amplitudes in perturbation theory

**Hard scattering amplitudes** for Monte Carlo simulations are computed in perturbation theory from matrix elements

$$\bar{\mathcal{M}} = \bar{\mathcal{M}}_0 + \bar{\mathcal{M}}_1 + \bar{\mathcal{M}}_2 + \dots$$

with  $\bar{\mathcal{M}}_0 =$    $+ \dots$ ,  $\bar{\mathcal{M}}_1 =$    $+ \dots$ ,  $\bar{\mathcal{M}}_2 =$    $+ \dots$

Partonic cross sections

$$\hat{\sigma} = \underbrace{\int d\Phi_N \mathcal{W}}_{N\text{-particle phase space integration, flux factor}} + \sum_X \underbrace{\int d\Phi_{N+X} \mathcal{W}^{(X)}}_{\text{contribution with } X \text{ extra unresolved particles}}$$

computed from colour- and helicity-summed **scattering probability density**

$$\mathcal{W} = \underbrace{\sum_{h,\text{col}}}_{\text{colour and helicity sum with average and symmetry factor}} |\mathbf{R}\bar{\mathcal{M}}|^2 = \sum_{h,\text{col}} \left\{ \underbrace{|\bar{\mathcal{M}}_0|^2}_{\text{LO}} + \underbrace{2 \text{Re}[\bar{\mathcal{M}}_0^* \mathbf{R}\bar{\mathcal{M}}_1]}_{\text{NLO virtual}} + \underbrace{|\mathbf{R}\bar{\mathcal{M}}_1|^2 + 2 \text{Re}[\bar{\mathcal{M}}_0^* \mathbf{R}\bar{\mathcal{M}}_2]}_{\text{NNLO virtual-virtual}} + \dots \right\}$$

with UV divergences subtracted by the renormalisation procedure  $\mathbf{R}\bar{\mathcal{M}} = \bar{\mathcal{M}}_0 + \mathbf{R}\bar{\mathcal{M}}_1 + \mathbf{R}\bar{\mathcal{M}}_2 + \dots$

# OpenLoops

**OPENLOOPS** [Buccioni, Lang, Lindert, Maierhöfer, Pozzorini, Zhang, M.Z.] is a fully automated numerical tool for the computation of **scattering probability densities** from tree and one-loop amplitudes

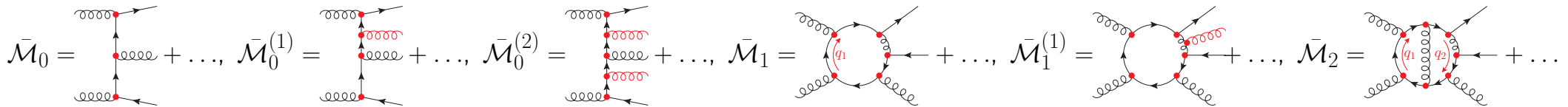
$$\mathcal{W}_{00} = \bar{\sum}_{h,\text{col}} |\bar{\mathcal{M}}_0|^2, \quad \mathcal{W}_{01} = \bar{\sum}_{h,\text{col}} 2 \text{Re} \left[ \bar{\mathcal{M}}_0^* \mathbf{R} \bar{\mathcal{M}}_1 \right], \quad \mathcal{W}_{11} = \bar{\sum}_{h,\text{col}} |\mathbf{R} \bar{\mathcal{M}}_1|^2$$

Download from <https://gitlab.com/openloops/OpenLoops.git>

- Full NLO QCD and NLO EW corrections available
- Excellent CPU performance and numerical stability ← **Crucial for real-virtual contributions**

**Real-emission contributions up to NNLO available in OPENLOOPS**

$$\mathcal{W}_{00}^{(1)} = \bar{\sum}_{h,\text{col}} |\bar{\mathcal{M}}_0^{(1)}|^2, \quad \mathcal{W}_{01}^{(1)} = \bar{\sum}_{h,\text{col}} 2 \text{Re} \left[ \bar{\mathcal{M}}_0^{(1)*} \mathbf{R} \bar{\mathcal{M}}_1^{(1)} \right], \quad \mathcal{W}_{00}^{(2)} = \bar{\sum}_{h,\text{col}} |\bar{\mathcal{M}}_0^{(2)}|^2$$



$$\mathcal{W}_{02} = \bar{\sum}_{h,\text{col}} 2 \text{Re} \left[ \bar{\mathcal{M}}_0^* \mathbf{R} \bar{\mathcal{M}}_2 \right]$$

required for NNLO, but no fully automated tool available

⇒ **OPENLOOPS for two-loop amplitudes highly desirable**

# Outline

## I. One-loop amplitudes

→ OPENLOOPS algorithm for tree and one-loop amplitudes

## II. Two-loop amplitudes

→ New algorithm for two-loop integrands

→ Numerical stability and CPU efficiency

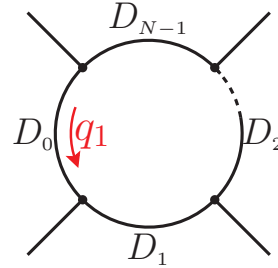
## III. OPENLOOPS features @ 1 loop and 2 loop

## V. Summary and Outlook

# I. One-loop amplitudes

One-loop diagram  $\Gamma$  in  $D = 4 - 2\varepsilon$  dimensions

$$\bar{\mathcal{M}}_{1,\Gamma} = \underbrace{C_{1,\Gamma}}_{\text{colour factor}} \int d\bar{q}_1 \frac{\bar{\mathcal{N}}(\bar{q}_1)}{\mathcal{D}(\bar{q}_1)}$$



$$\mathcal{D}(\bar{q}_1) = \prod_{i=0}^{N-1} D_k(\bar{q}_1),$$

$$D_k(\bar{q}_1) = (\bar{q}_1 + p_k)^2 - m_k^2,$$

$$\int d\bar{q}_1 = \mu^{2\varepsilon} \int \frac{d^D \bar{q}_1}{(2\pi)^D}$$

Numerical tools, such as OPENLOOPS [Buccioni et al], RECOLA [Actis et al], MADLOOP [Hirschi et al], construct the numerator in 4 dimensions ( $D$ -dim quantities with bar, 4-dim without)

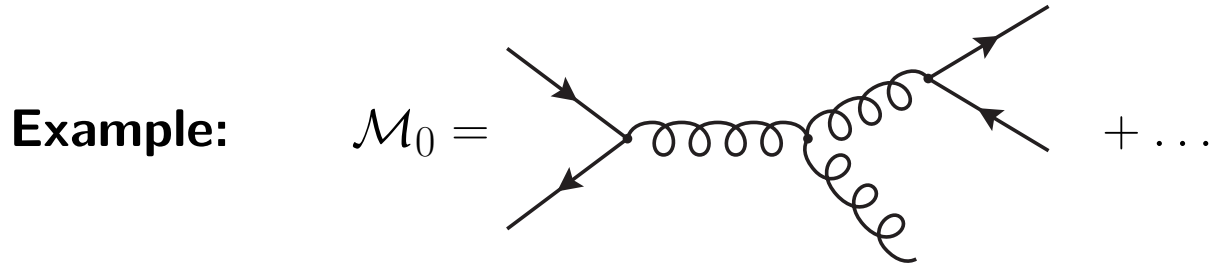
$$\underbrace{\mathcal{N}(q_1)}_{4\text{-dim}} = \underbrace{\bar{\mathcal{N}}(\bar{q}_1)}_{D\text{-dim}} \left| \begin{array}{l} \bar{q}_i \rightarrow q_i, \\ \bar{\gamma}^{\bar{\mu}} \rightarrow \gamma^\mu, \\ \bar{g}^{\bar{\mu}\bar{\nu}} \rightarrow g^{\mu\nu} \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \mathcal{M}_{1,\Gamma} = C_{1,\Gamma} \sum_{r=0}^{R_1} \underbrace{\mathcal{N}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r}}_{\text{tensor coefficient}} \underbrace{\int d\bar{q}_1 \frac{q_1^{\mu_1} \dots q_1^{\mu_r}}{\mathcal{D}(\bar{q}_1)}}_{\text{tensor integral}}$$

## Steps of the calculation

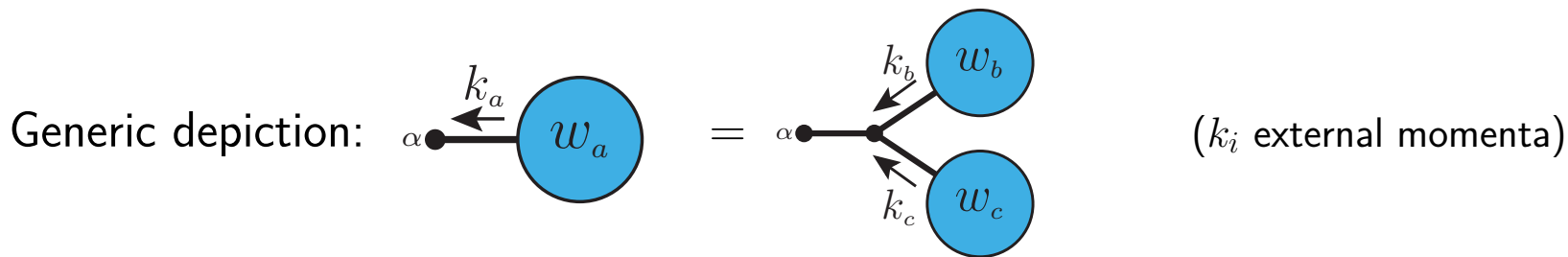
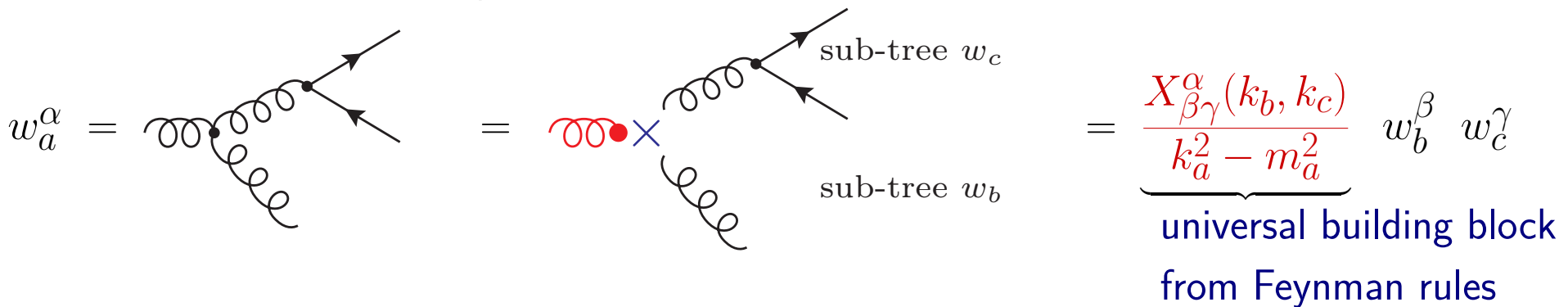
- Construction of tensor coefficients  $\leftarrow$  OPENLOOPS algorithm [van Hameren; Cascioli, Maierhöfer, Pozzorini; Buccioni, Lang, Lindert, Pozzorini, Zhang, M.Z.]
- Reduction of tensor integrals and evaluation of master integrals  $\leftarrow$  On-the-fly reduction [Buccioni, Pozzorini, M.Z.] and COLLIER [Denner, Dittmaier, Hofer], ONELOOP [van Hameren]
- Restoration of  $\varepsilon$ -dim numerator parts  $\tilde{\mathcal{N}}(\bar{q}_1) = \bar{\mathcal{N}}(\bar{q}_1) - \mathcal{N}(q_1)$   $\leftarrow$  Rational counterterms [Ossola, Papadopoulos, Pittau]

# The OPENLOOPS algorithm at tree level

Tree-level amplitudes constructed recursively from subtrees (starting from external lines)



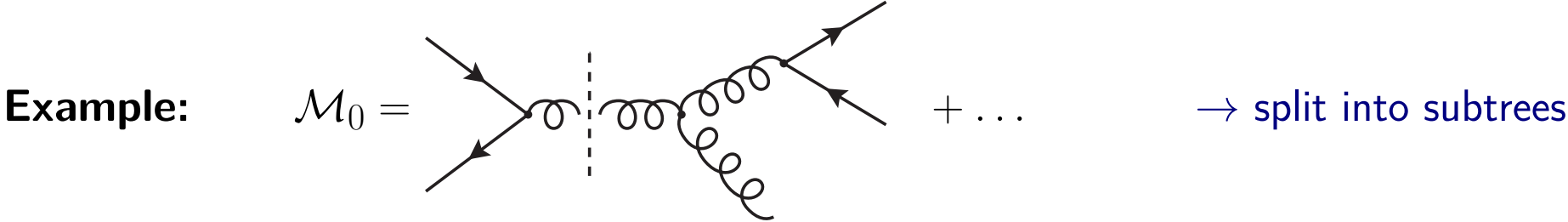
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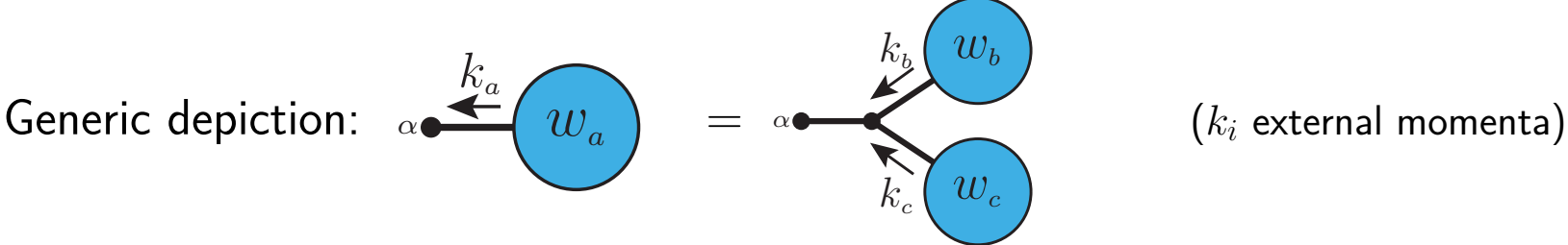
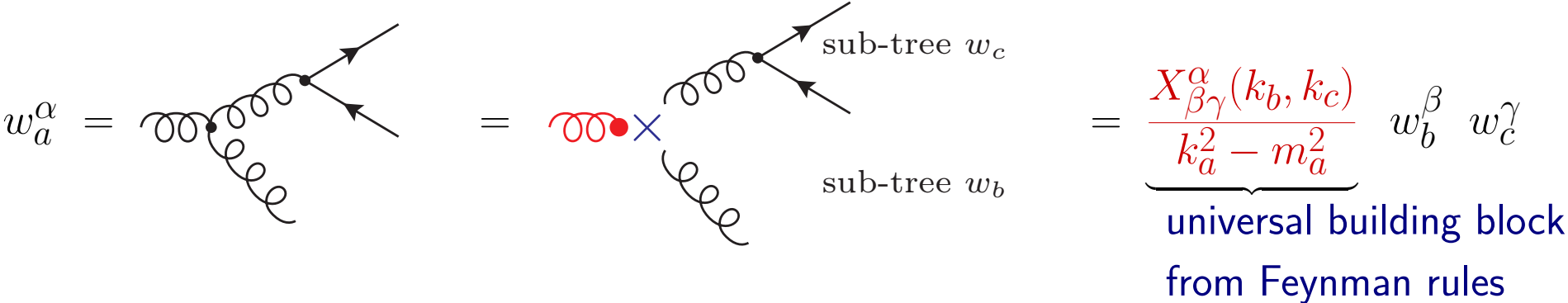
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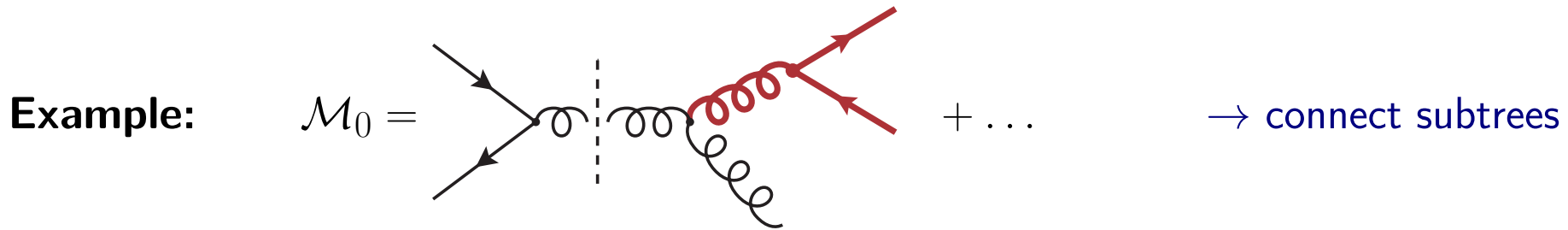
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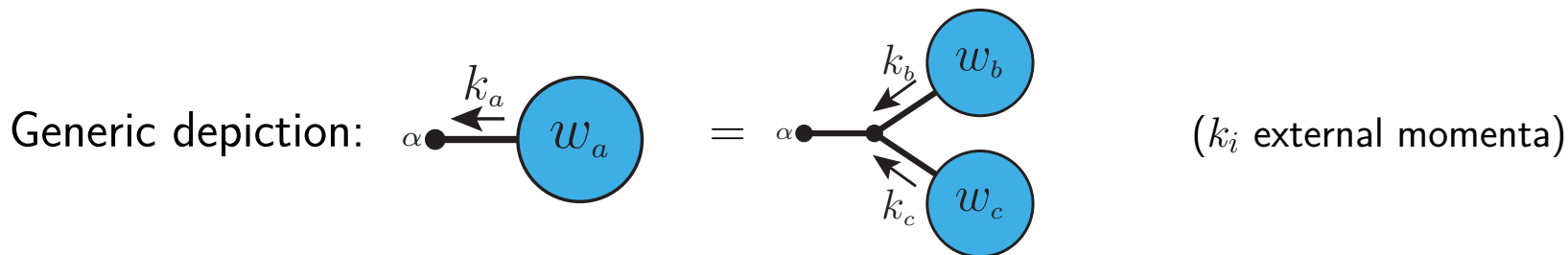
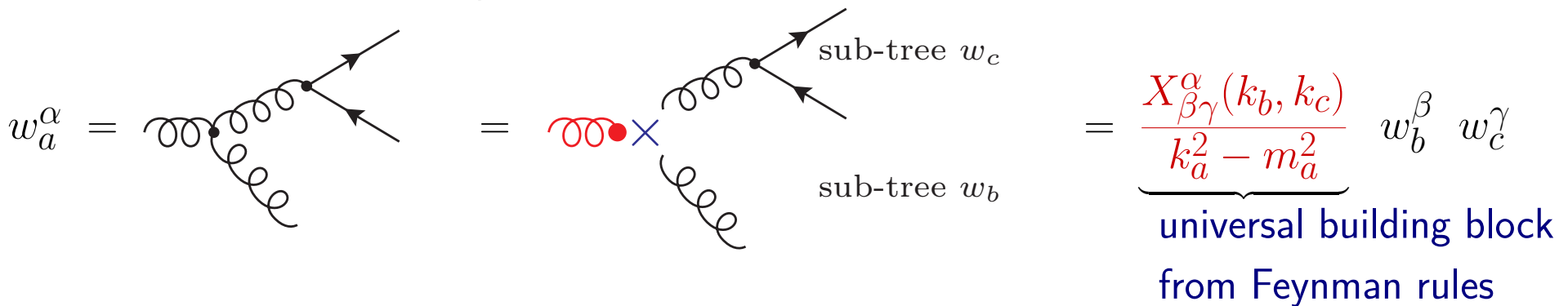
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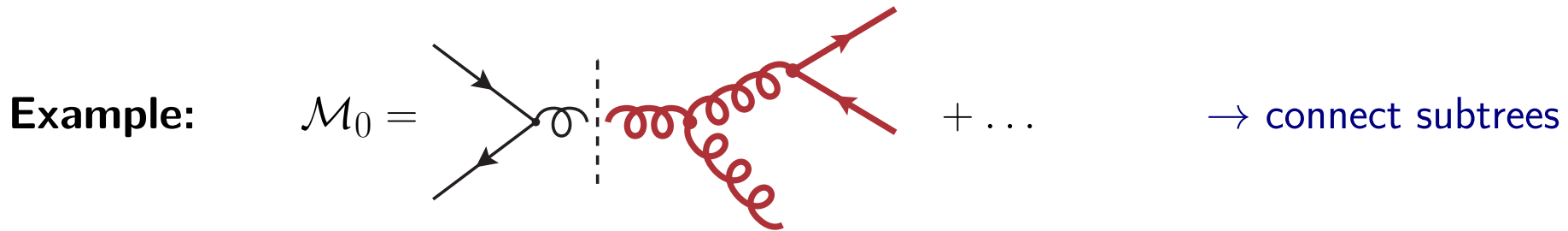


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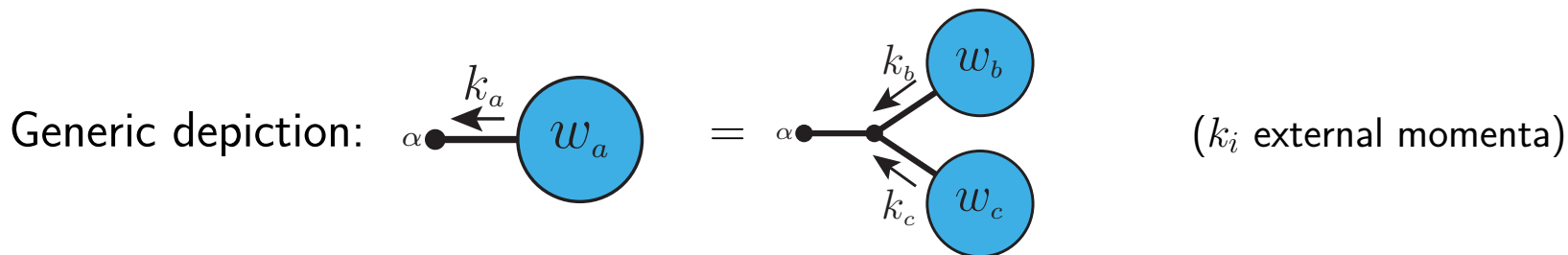
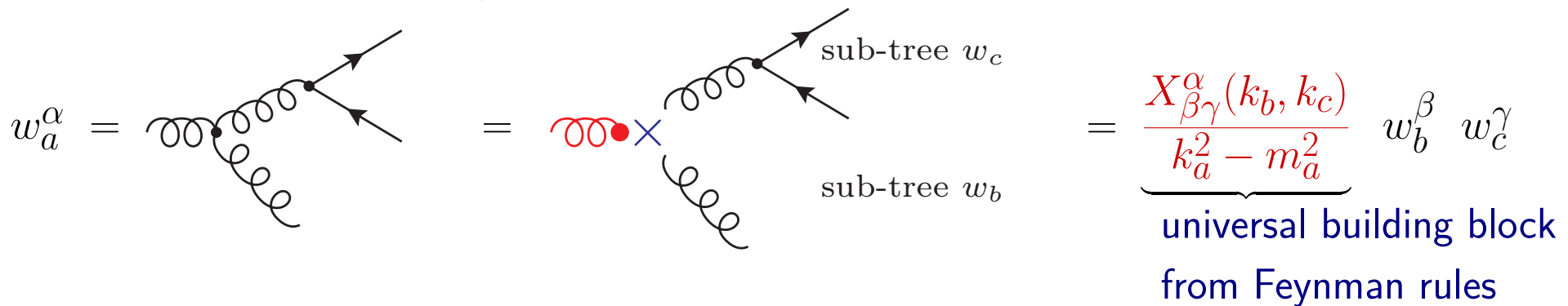


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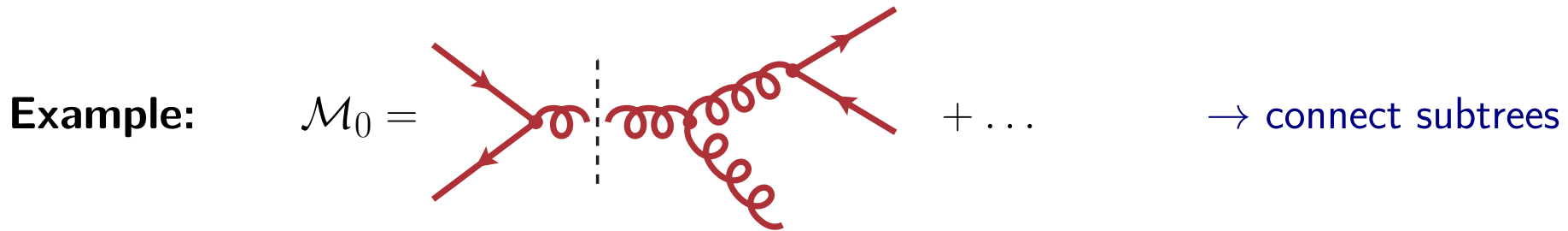
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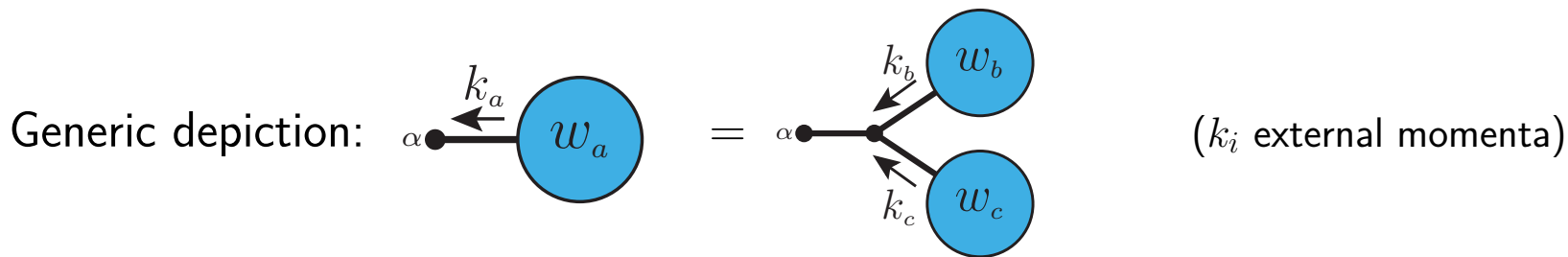
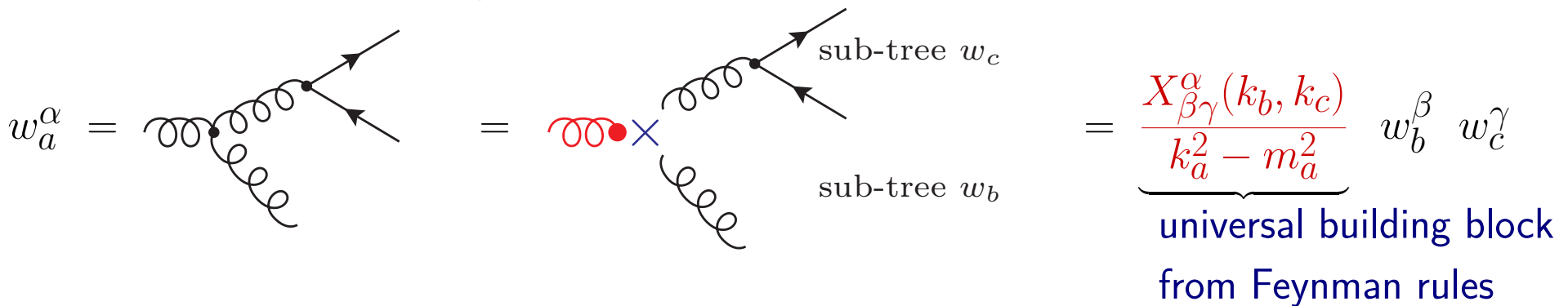
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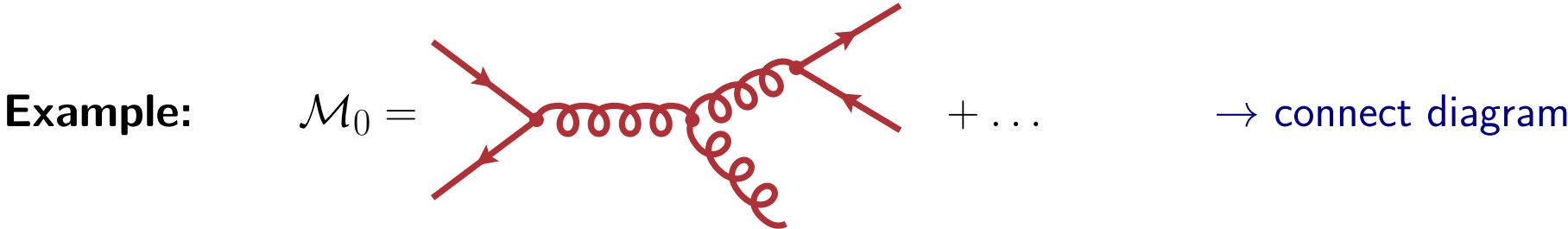
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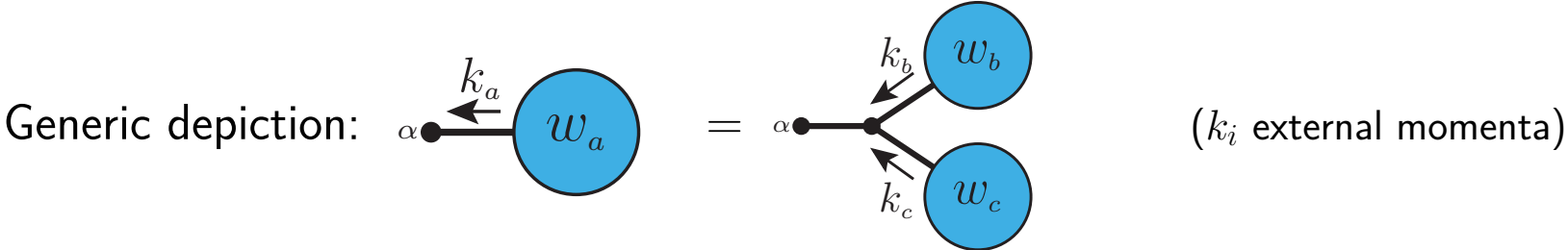
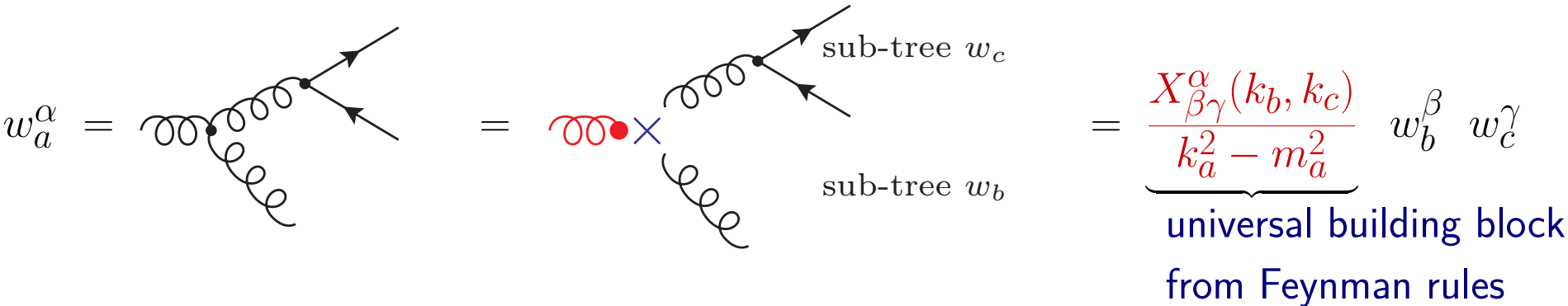
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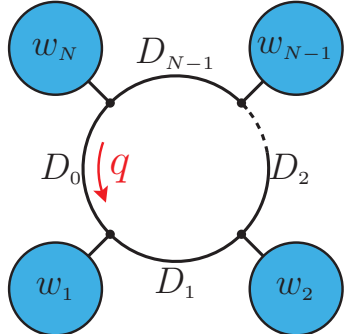
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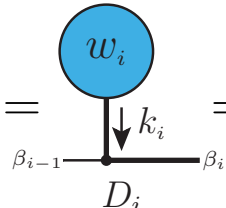
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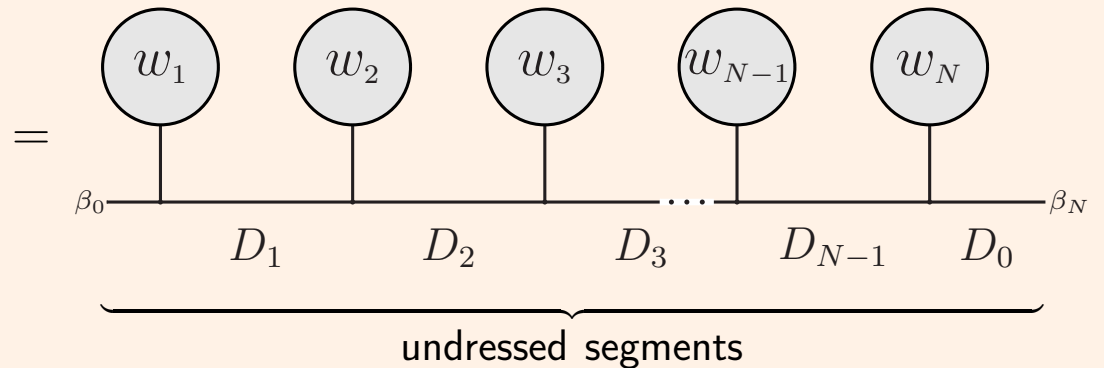
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**Universal building block**  $\times$  **subtree(s)**

## Cut-open loop at $D_0$

$$\mathcal{N}_0(q) = \mathbb{1}$$



Open loop is a matrix with two Lorentz/spinor indices  $\beta_0, \beta_N$

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$$\mathcal{N}_1(q) = \mathcal{N}_0(q)S_1(q) = S_1(q) = \mathcal{N}^{(1)} + \mathcal{N}_{\mu_1}^{(1)} q^{\mu_1}$$

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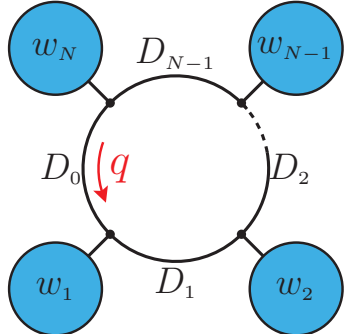
$$\mathcal{N}_2(q) = \mathcal{N}_1(q) S_2(q) = \prod_{i=1}^2 S_i(q) = \text{Diagram}$$

$$= \mathcal{N}^{(2)} + \mathcal{N}_{\mu_1}^{(2)} q^{\mu_1} + \mathcal{N}_{\mu_1 \mu_2}^{(2)} q^{\mu_1} q^{\mu_2}$$

Recursion steps are matrix multiplications:  $[\mathcal{N}_n(q)]_{\beta_0}^{\beta_n} = [\mathcal{N}_{n-1}(q)]_{\beta_0}^{\beta_{n-1}} [S_n(q)]_{\beta_{n-1}}^{\beta_n}$

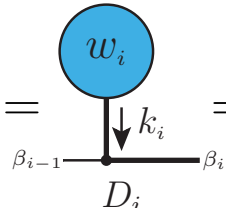
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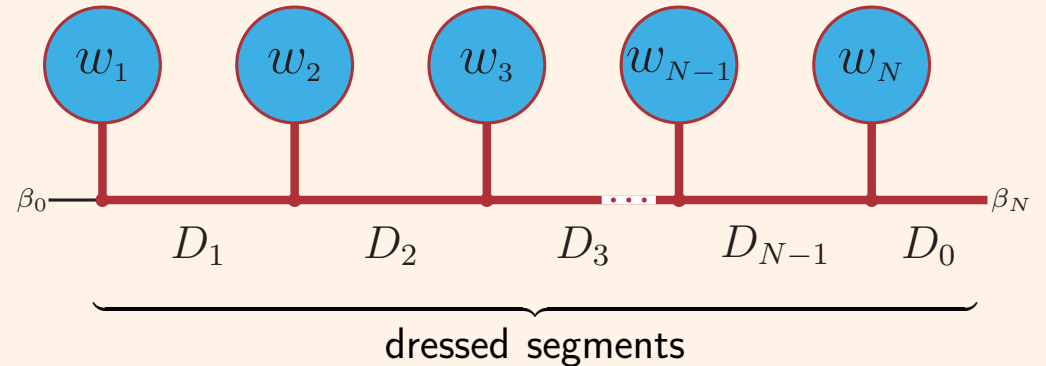
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**Dress chain of segments recursively**  $\rightarrow$  **Close loop by contracting**  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_N$

$$\mathcal{N}_N(q) = \mathcal{N}_{N-1}(q) S_N(q) = \prod_{i=1}^N S_i(q) = \sum_{r=0}^N \mathcal{N}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r}^{(N)} q^{\mu_1} \dots q^{\mu_r}$$



**Recursion steps**  $\mathcal{N}_n(q) = \mathcal{N}_{n-1}(q) S_n(q)$  at the level of tensor coefficients  $\mathcal{N}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r}^{(n)}$

**Completely general and highly efficient algorithm**

# Born-loop interference

Scattering probability density from interference of one-loop diagrams  $\Gamma$  with full Born

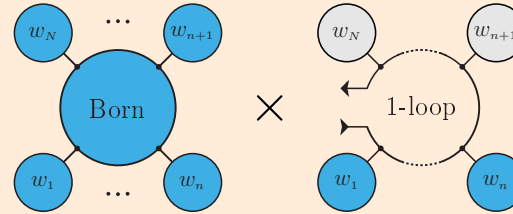
$$\mathcal{W}_{01,\Gamma} = \sum_{h,\text{col}} 2 \text{Re} \left[ \bar{\mathcal{M}}_0^* \mathbf{R} \bar{\mathcal{M}}_{1,\Gamma} \right] \Rightarrow \mathcal{W}_{01} = \sum_{\Gamma} \mathcal{W}_{01,\Gamma}$$

Consider colour-helicity summed numerator  $\Rightarrow$  nested sums of helicities  $h_i$  of individual segments

$$\mathcal{U}(q, 0) = \sum_h 2 \underbrace{\left( \sum_{\text{col}} \mathcal{M}_0^*(h) C_{1,\Gamma} \right)}_{=\mathcal{U}_0(h)} \mathcal{N}(q, h) = \sum_{h_N} \left[ \dots \sum_{h_2} \left[ \sum_{h_1} \mathcal{U}_0(h) S_1(q, h_1) \right] S_2(q, h_2) \dots \right] S_n(q, h_N)$$

**On-the-fly helicity summation** [Buccioni, Pozzorini, M.Z.]

$$\mathcal{U}_n(q, \check{h}_n) = \sum_{h_n} \mathcal{U}_{n-1}(q, \check{h}_{n-1}) S_n(q, h_n) = \sum_{h_1 \dots h_n} \sum_{\text{col}}$$



$$\mathcal{U}_n(q, \check{h}_n) = \sum_{r=0}^n \mathcal{U}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r}^{(n)} q^{\mu_1} \dots q^{\mu_r}$$

depends on helicity  $\check{h}_n = \sum_{k=n+1}^N h_k$  of undressed segments

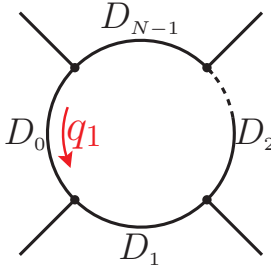
Implemented at the level of tensor integral coefficients  $\mathcal{U}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r}^{(n)}$

**Huge gain in CPU efficiency, especially for high-multiplicity processes**



# One-loop rational terms

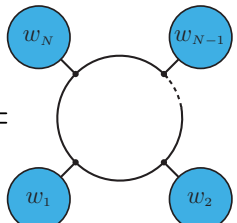
Amputated one-loop diagram  $\gamma$  (1PI)

$$\bar{\mathcal{M}}_{1,\gamma} = \underbrace{C_{1,\gamma}}_{\text{colour factor}} \int d\bar{q}_1 \frac{\mathcal{N}(q_1) + \tilde{\mathcal{N}}(\bar{q}_1)}{\mathcal{D}(\bar{q}_1)} = \text{Diagram} \Rightarrow \delta\mathcal{R}_{1,\gamma} = C_{1,\gamma} \int d\bar{q}_1 \frac{\tilde{\mathcal{N}}(\bar{q}_1)}{\mathcal{D}(\bar{q}_1)}$$


The  $\varepsilon$ -dim numerator parts  $\tilde{\mathcal{N}}(\bar{q}_1) = \bar{\mathcal{N}}(\bar{q}_1) - \mathcal{N}(q_1)$  contribute only via interaction with  $\frac{1}{\varepsilon}$  UV poles  
 $\Rightarrow$  Can be restored through **rational counterterm**  $\delta\mathcal{R}_{1,\gamma}$  [Ossola, Papadopoulos, Pittau]

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\mathbf{R}\bar{\mathcal{M}}_{1,\gamma}}_{D\text{-dim, renormalised}} = \underbrace{\mathcal{M}_{1,\gamma}}_{4\text{-dim numerator}} + \underbrace{\delta\mathcal{Z}_{1,\gamma} + \delta\mathcal{R}_{1,\gamma}}_{\text{UV and rational counterterm}}$$

Generic one-loop diagram  $\Gamma$  factorises into 1PI subdiagram  $\gamma$  and external subtrees  $w_i$  (4-dim):

$$\bar{\mathcal{M}}_{1,\Gamma} = \text{Diagram} = [\bar{\mathcal{M}}_{1,\gamma}]^{\sigma_1 \dots \sigma_N} \prod_{i=1}^N [w_i]_{\sigma_i} \Rightarrow \mathbf{R}\bar{\mathcal{M}}_{1,\Gamma} = \mathcal{M}_{1,\Gamma} + (\delta\mathcal{Z}_{1,\gamma} + \delta\mathcal{R}_{1,\gamma}) \underbrace{\prod_{i=1}^N w_i}_{\text{tree diagram}}$$


**Finite set of process-independent rational terms in renormalisable models**  
 computed from UV divergent vertex functions

## II. Two-loop amplitudes

Two-loop diagram  $\Gamma$  in  $D = 4 - 2\varepsilon$  dimensions

$$\bar{\mathcal{M}}_{2,\Gamma} = \underbrace{C_{2,\Gamma}}_{\text{colour factor}} \int d\bar{q}_1 \int d\bar{q}_2 \frac{\bar{\mathcal{N}}(\bar{q}_1, \bar{q}_2)}{\mathcal{D}(\bar{q}_1, \bar{q}_2)} = \text{Diagram}$$

with the  $D$ -dim denominator

$$\mathcal{D}(\bar{q}_1, \bar{q}_2) = \prod_i \prod_k D_k^{(i)}(\bar{q}_i)$$

$$D_k^{(i)}(\bar{q}_i) = (\bar{q}_i + p_{ik})^2 - m_{ik}^2$$

Numerical construction requires  $\underbrace{\mathcal{N}(q_1, q_2)}_{4\text{-dim}} = \underbrace{\bar{\mathcal{N}}(\bar{q}_1, \bar{q}_2)}_{D\text{-dim}} \left| \begin{array}{l} \bar{q}_i \rightarrow q_i, \bar{\gamma}^{\bar{\mu}} \rightarrow \gamma^\mu, \bar{g}^{\bar{\mu}\bar{\nu}} \rightarrow g^{\mu\nu} \end{array} \right.$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{M}_{2,\Gamma} = \underbrace{C_{2,\Gamma}}_{\text{colour}} \sum_{r_1=0}^{R_1} \sum_{r_2=0}^{R_2} \underbrace{\mathcal{N}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_{r_1} \nu_1 \dots \nu_{r_2}}}_{\text{tensor coefficient}} \underbrace{\int d^D q_1 \int d^D q_2 \frac{q_1^{\mu_1} \dots q_1^{\mu_{r_1}} q_2^{\nu_1} \dots q_2^{\nu_{r_2}}}{\mathcal{D}(q_1, q_2)}}_{\text{tensor integral}}$$

### Steps of the calculation

- Construction of tensor coefficients
- Reduction and evaluation of tensor integrals
- Restoration of  $\tilde{\mathcal{N}}(\bar{q}_1, \bar{q}_2) = \bar{\mathcal{N}}(\bar{q}_1, \bar{q}_2) - \mathcal{N}(q_1, q_2)$

← **Now fully implemented**

← Not yet automated

← **Two-loop rational terms**

[Lang, Pozzorini, Zhang, M.Z.]

# Two-loop rational terms

Start from renormalisation procedure for (1PI) diagram  $\Gamma$  in  $D$ -dim

$$\mathbf{R} \bar{\mathcal{M}}_{2,\Gamma} = \bar{\mathcal{M}}_{2,\Gamma} + \underbrace{\sum_{\gamma} \delta Z_{1,\gamma} \cdot \bar{\mathcal{M}}_{1,\Gamma/\gamma}}_{\text{subtract subdivergences}} + \underbrace{\delta Z_{2,\Gamma}}_{\text{subtract remaining local divergence}}$$

Sum over all subdiagrams  $\gamma$  of  $\Gamma$ . Numerator dimension  $D_n = D$ .

**Example:**  $\mathbf{R} \left[ \text{triangle diagram with bubble} \right]_{D_n=D} = \left[ \text{triangle diagram with bubble} + \text{triangle diagram with tadpole} \delta Z_{1,\gamma} + \text{triangle diagram with tadpole} \delta Z_{2,\Gamma} \right]_{D_n=D}$

Extension from single diagrams to full vertex functions  $\Gamma$  due to linearity of  $\mathbf{R}$

**Goal: Computation from amplitudes with numerator dimension  $D_n = 4$**

- Split numerator  $\bar{\mathcal{N}}(\bar{q}_1, \bar{q}_2) = \mathcal{N}(q_1, q_2) + \tilde{\mathcal{N}}(\bar{q}_1, \bar{q}_2)$
- Compute amplitudes on lhs with  $\mathcal{N}(q_1, q_2) = \bar{\mathcal{N}}(\bar{q}_1, \bar{q}_2) \Big|_{\bar{g}^{\bar{\mu}\bar{\nu}} \rightarrow g^{\mu\nu}, \bar{\gamma}^{\bar{\mu}} \rightarrow \gamma^{\mu}, \bar{q}_i \rightarrow q_i}$
- Restore  $\tilde{\mathcal{N}}$ -terms (from subdiagrams and a remaining global one) through additional counterterms

## Two-loop rational terms

Renormalised  $D$ -dim amplitudes from amplitudes with 4-dim numerator [Pozzorini, Zhang, M.Z.]

$$\mathbf{R} \bar{\mathcal{M}}_{2,\Gamma} = \mathcal{M}_{2,\Gamma} + \sum_{\gamma} \left( \underbrace{\delta Z_{1,\gamma} + \delta \tilde{Z}_{1,\gamma}}_{\text{subtract subdivergences}} + \underbrace{\delta \mathcal{R}_{1,\gamma}}_{\text{restore } \tilde{N}\text{-terms from subdiagrams}} \right) \cdot \mathcal{M}_{1,\Gamma/\gamma} + \left( \underbrace{\delta Z_{2,\Gamma}}_{\text{subtract remaining local divergence}} + \underbrace{\delta \mathcal{R}_{2,\Gamma}}_{\text{restore remaining } \tilde{N}\text{-term}} \right)$$

Example:

$$\mathbf{R} \bar{\mathcal{M}}_{2,\Gamma} = \left[ \text{diagram 1} + \text{diagram 2} \cdot (\delta Z_{1,\gamma} + \delta \tilde{Z}_{1,\gamma} + \delta \mathcal{R}_{1,\gamma}) + \text{diagram 3} \cdot (\delta Z_{2,\Gamma} + \delta \mathcal{R}_{2,\Gamma}) \right]_{\text{4-dim numerators}}$$

- Divergences from subdiagrams  $\gamma$  and remaining global one subtracted by usual UV counterterms  $\delta Z_{1,\gamma}, \delta Z_{2,\Gamma}$ . Additional UV counterterm  $\delta \tilde{Z}_{1,\gamma} \propto \frac{\tilde{q}_1^2}{\epsilon}$  for subdiagrams with mass dimension 2.
- $\delta \mathcal{R}_{2,\Gamma}$  is a **two-loop rational term** stemming from the interplay of  $\tilde{N}$  with UV poles
- External subtrees factorise and do not generate rational terms (see one-loop case)
- Extension from single diagrams to full vertex functions due to linearity of  $\mathbf{R}$

⇒ **Finite set of process-independent rational terms** for UV divergent vertex functions

## Two-loop rational terms

Renormalised  $D$ -dim amplitudes can be computed from amplitudes with 4-dim numerators and a **finite set of universal UV and rational counterterms** inserted lower-loop amplitudes

$$\mathbf{R} \bar{\mathcal{M}}_{2,\Gamma} = \mathcal{M}_{2,\Gamma} + \sum_{\gamma} \left( \delta Z_{1,\gamma} + \delta \tilde{Z}_{1,\gamma} + \delta \mathcal{R}_{1,\gamma} \right) \cdot \mathcal{M}_{1,\Gamma/\gamma} + \left( \delta Z_{2,\Gamma} + \delta \mathcal{R}_{2,\Gamma} \right)$$

### Status of two-loop rational terms

- **General method for the computation** of rational counterterms of UV origin from simple tadpole integrals in any renormalisable model [Pozzorini, Zhang, M.Z.,2020]
- **Complete renormalisation scheme dependence** [Lang, Pozzorini, Zhang, M.Z.,2020]
- **Rational Terms for Spontaneously Broken Theories** [Lang, Pozzorini, Zhang, M.Z.,2021]
- **Full set of two-loop rational terms for QED and QCD corrections to the SM**  
[Pozzorini, Zhang, M.Z.,2020] [Lang, Pozzorini, Zhang, M.Z.,2020] [Lang, Pozzorini, Zhang, M.Z.,2021]
- **Rational terms of IR origin** currently under investigation

# Reducible two-loop diagrams

**Reducible diagram**  $\Gamma$  factorises into one-loop diagrams and a tree-like bridge  $P$  (or quartic vertex)

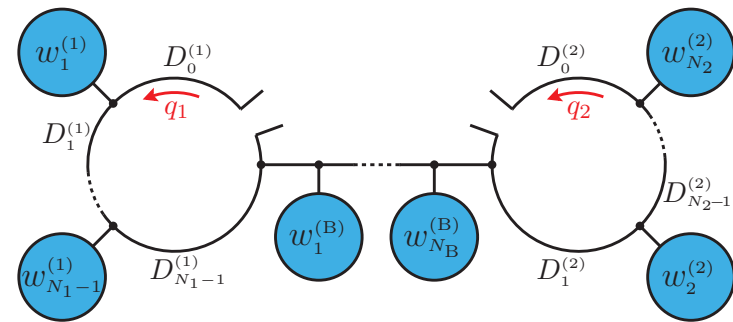
$$\mathcal{M}_{2,\Gamma} = \text{Diagram} = C_{2,\Gamma} P_{\alpha_1\alpha_2} \prod_{i=1}^2 \int d\bar{q}_i \frac{[\mathcal{N}^{(i)}(q_i)]^{\alpha_i}}{\mathcal{D}^{(i)}(\bar{q}_i)}$$

with  $\mathcal{D}^{(i)}(\bar{q}_i) = D_0^{(i)}(\bar{q}_i) \cdots D_{N_i-1}^{(i)}(\bar{q}_i)$ ,  $D_a^{(i)}(\bar{q}_i) = (\bar{q}_i + p_{ia})^2 - m_{ia}^2$

**Loop numerators factorise into segments**

$$S_a^{(i)}(q_i, h_a^{(i)}) = \text{Diagram} = \underbrace{\left\{ Y_\sigma^a(k_{ia}, p_{ia}) + Z_{\nu;\sigma}^i q_i^\nu \right\}}_{\text{Feynman rule of loop vertex and propagator}} \underbrace{\left[ w_a^{(i)}(h_a^{(i)}) \right]^\sigma}_{\text{external subtree with helicity configuration } h_a^{(i)}}$$

- Cut-open both loops and dress first one
  - Close and integrate first loop, attach bridge
  - Use first loop + bridge as “subtree” for second loop
- $\Rightarrow$  **Extension of the tree and one-loop algorithm**



**Fully implemented for QED and QCD corrections to the SM**

# New algorithm to construct two-loop tensor coefficients

Amplitude of irreducible two-loop diagram  $\Gamma$  (1PI on amputation of all external subtrees):

$$\mathcal{M}_{2,\Gamma} = \mathcal{C}_{2,\Gamma} \int d^D q_1 \int d^D q_2 \frac{\mathcal{N}(q_1, q_2)}{\prod_{i=1}^3 \mathcal{D}^{(i)}(q_i)} \Big|_{q_3 \rightarrow -(q_1 + q_2)}$$

**Exploit factorisation** of numerator  $\mathcal{N}(q_1, q_2) = \prod_{i=1}^3 \mathcal{N}^{(i)}(q_i) \prod_{j=0}^1 \mathcal{V}_j(q_1, q_2)$

- **Three chains**, each depending on a single loop momentum  $q_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, 3$ )

with **chain numerators factorising into loop segments**  $\mathcal{N}^{(i)}(q_i) = S_0^{(i)}(q_i) \cdots S_{N_i-1}^{(i)}(q_i)$

→ **Same structure as one-loop chain**

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(External momenta  $p_{ia}$  and masses  $m_{ia}$  along  $i$ -th chain)

# General structure of a recursive two-loop algorithm

**Final result: Helicity and colour-summed Born-loop interference**  $\mathcal{U}(q_1, q_2)$

$$= \sum_{\mathbf{h}} \mathcal{U}_0(\mathbf{h}) \underbrace{\left\{ \prod_{i=1}^3 \left[ \prod_{k=0}^{N_i-1} S_k^{(i)}(q_i, h_k^{(i)}) \right]_{\beta_0^{(i)}}^{\beta_{N_i}^{(i)}} \right\}}_{\text{chain } \mathcal{N}^{(i)}} \underbrace{\left[ \mathcal{V}_0(q_1, q_2, h_0^{(V)}) \right]^{\beta_0^{(1)} \beta_0^{(2)} \beta_0^{(3)}} \left[ \mathcal{V}_1(q_1, q_2, h_1^{(V)}) \right]_{\beta_{N_1}^{(1)} \beta_{N_2}^{(2)} \beta_{N_3}^{(3)}}}_{\text{connecting vertices (quartic vertices with external subtrees } w_a^{(V)})}$$

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with partially dressed numerators  $\hat{\mathcal{U}}_n$  and building blocks  $\mathcal{K}_n \in \left\{ \mathcal{U}_0, S_k^{(i)}, \mathcal{V}_j, \mathcal{N}^{(i)} \right\}$ .

- Each step increases the rank in a  $q_i$  by 0 or 1
- Segment  $S_k^{(i)}, \mathcal{V}_j$  depend on helicities of external subtrees

$\Rightarrow$  global helicity  $\mathbf{h} = \sum_{i=1}^3 \sum_{k=0}^{N_i-1} h_k^{(i)} + h_0^{(V)} + h_1^{(V)}$

- High complexity in steps connecting  $\mathcal{V}_j$  due to dependence on  $q_1, q_2$  and three open Lorentz/spinor indices  $\beta_k^{(i)}$

- Number of tensor coefficients grows exponentially with ranks  $R_1, R_2$

|       |  | Number of tensor components |     |      |      |
|-------|--|-----------------------------|-----|------|------|
|       |  | $R_2$                       |     |      |      |
| $R_1$ |  | 0                           | 1   | 2    | 3    |
| 0     |  | 1                           | 5   | 15   | 35   |
| 1     |  | 5                           | 25  | 75   | 175  |
| 2     |  | 15                          | 75  | 225  | 525  |
| 3     |  | 35                          | 175 | 525  | 1225 |
| 4     |  | 70                          | 350 | 1050 | 2450 |
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**CPU cost of  $n$ -th step**  $\sim$  number of (#) multiplications  $\rightarrow$  depends on type of  $\mathcal{K}_n$  and

# components of  $\hat{\mathcal{U}}_n = (\# \text{ tensor components in } q_1, q_2) \times (\# \text{ active helicities}) \times 4^{(\# \text{ open indices } \beta_a^{(i)})}$

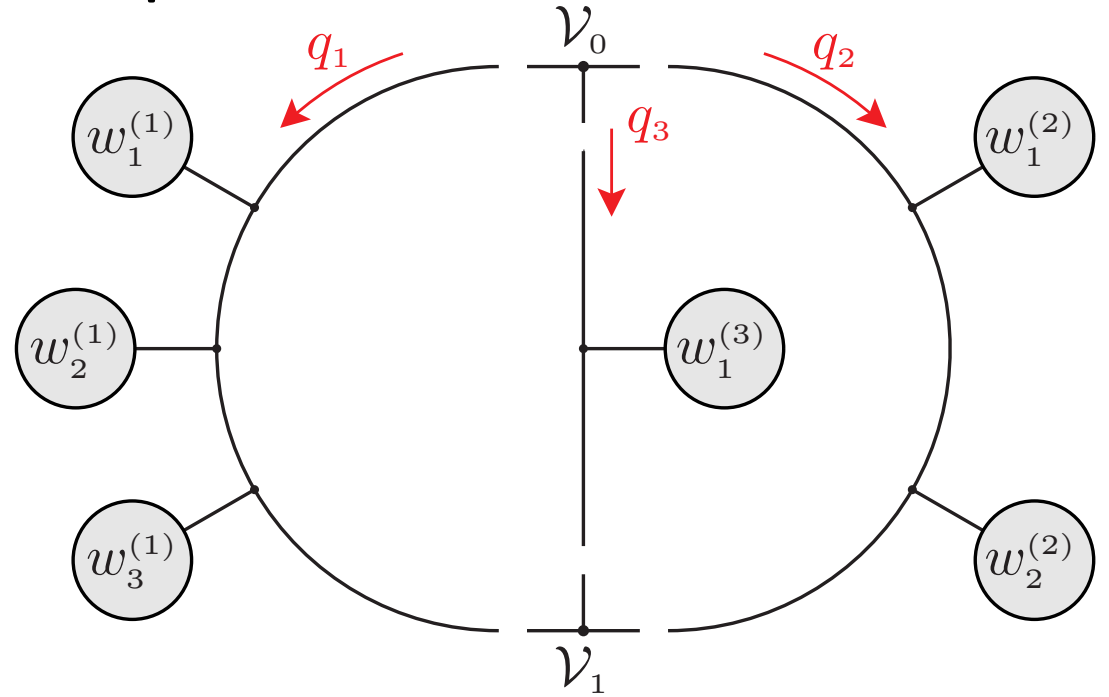
$\Rightarrow$  **Most efficient algorithm found through cost simulation**

of possible candidates for a wide range of QED and QCD Feynman diagrams

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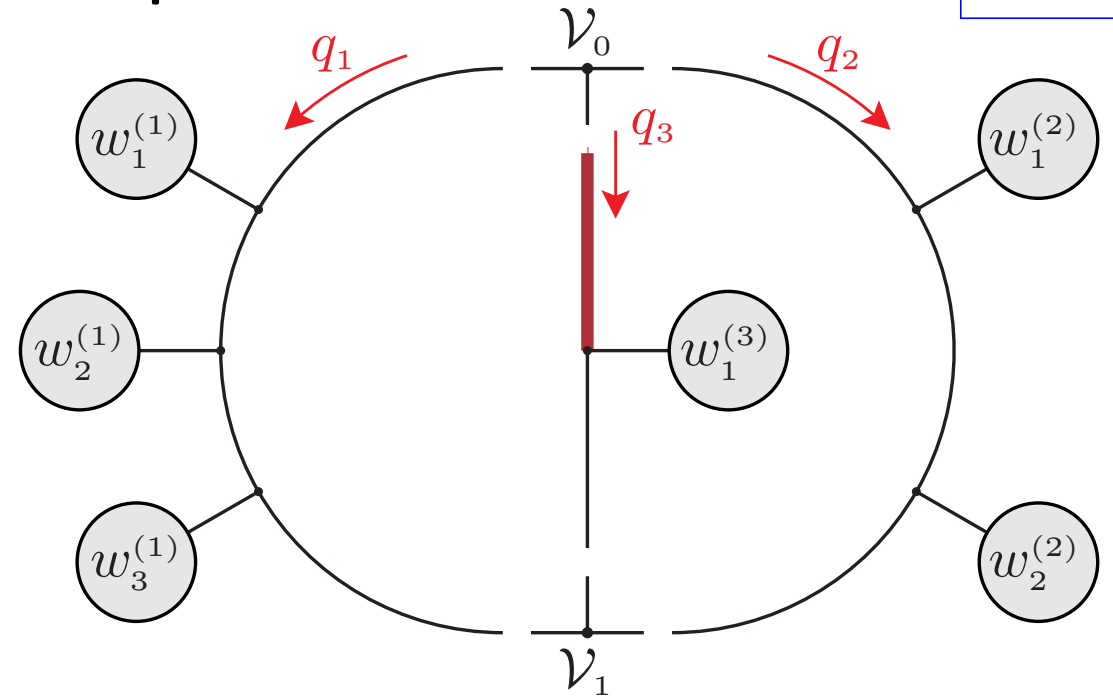


**Order of chains and of two-loop vertices  $\mathcal{V}_0, \mathcal{V}_1$  has major impact on efficiency**

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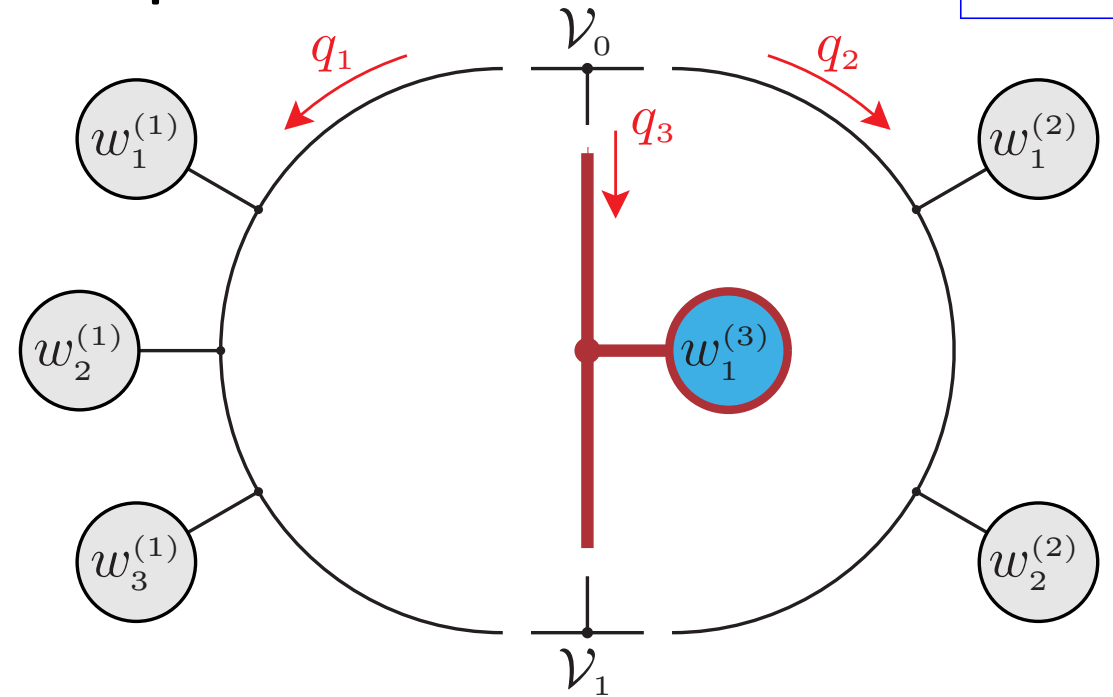


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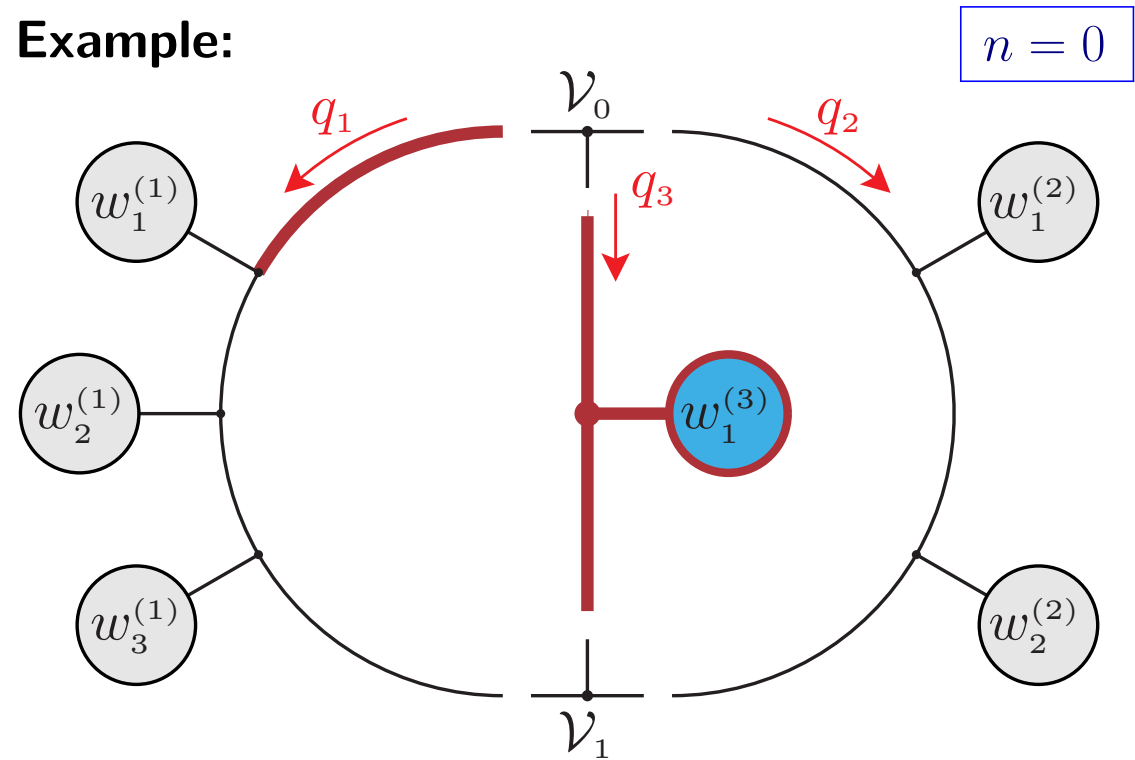
- Shortest chain  $\Rightarrow$  Low number of helicity d.o.f.  $\hat{h}_n^{(3)} = \hat{h}_{n-1}^{(3)} + h_n^{(3)}$  and low rank in  $q_3$
- Partial chains  $\mathcal{N}_n^{(3)}$  computed only once for multiple diagrams

$\Rightarrow$  **Only a small number of low-complexity steps for the full process**

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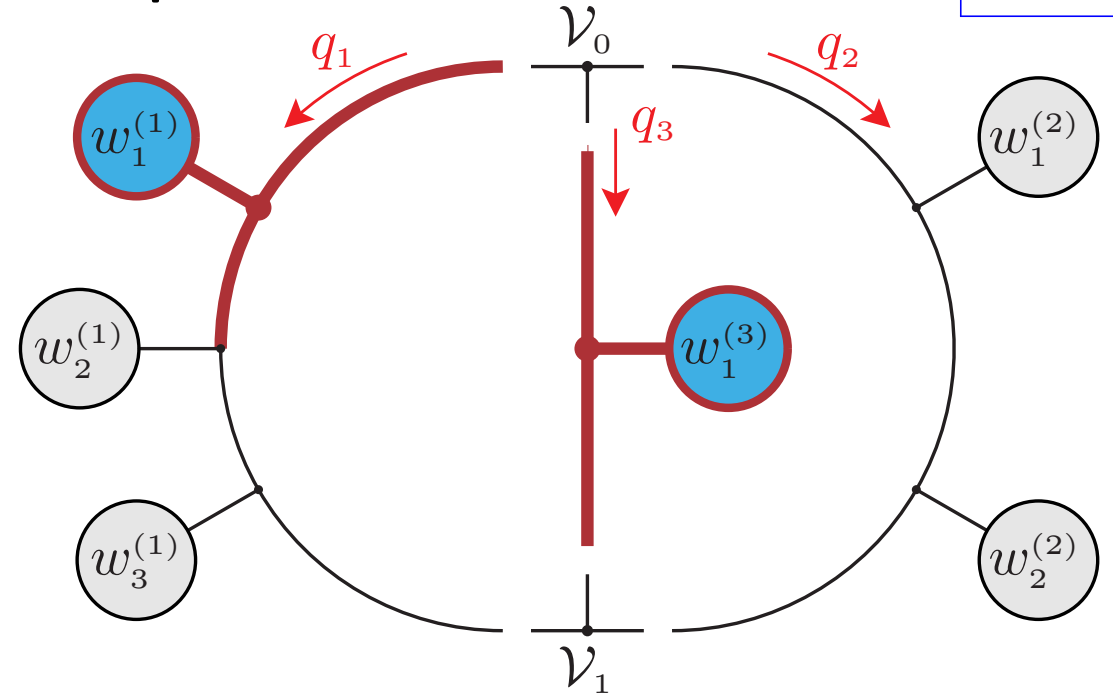


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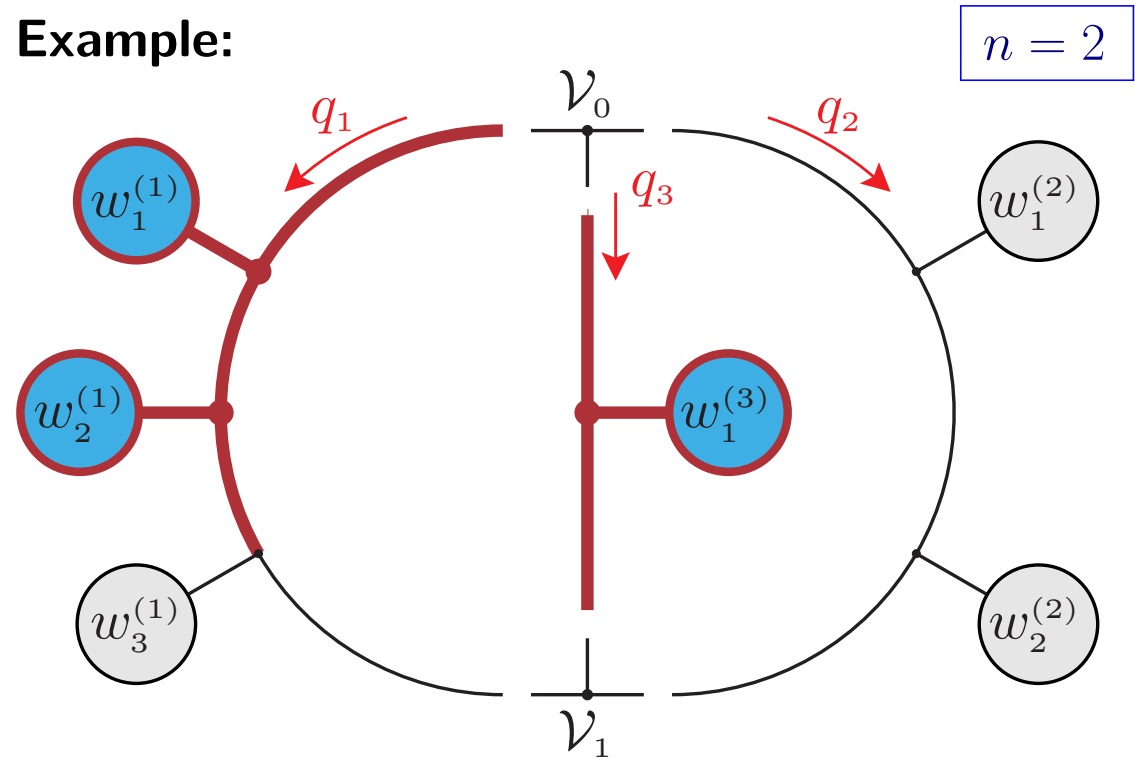
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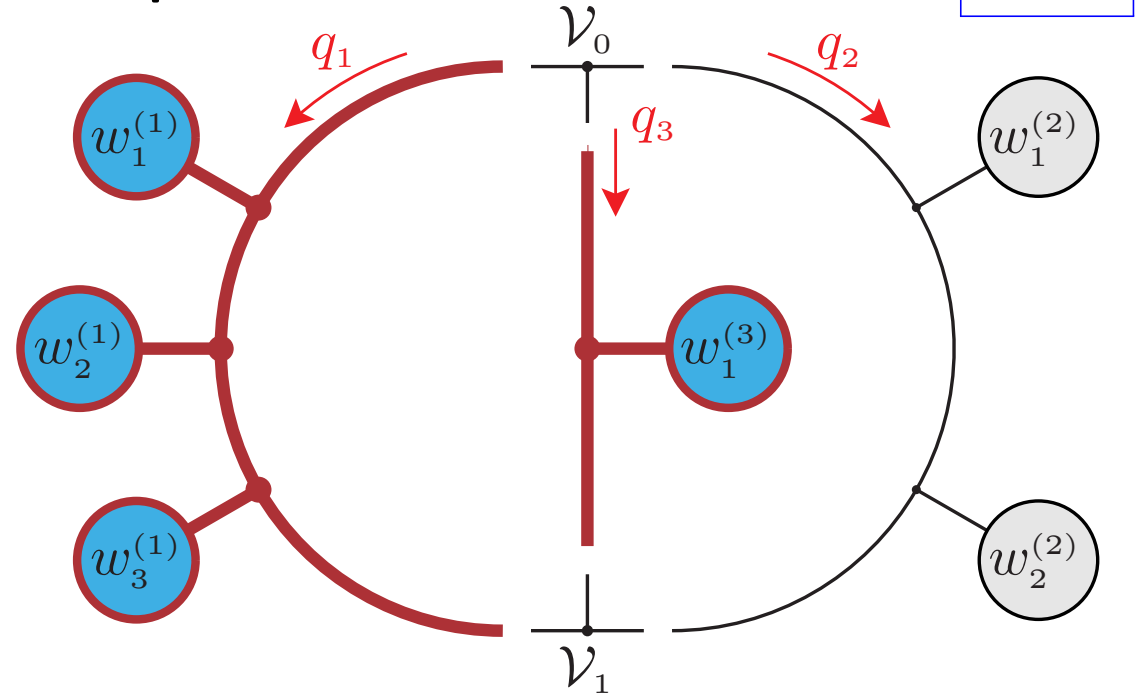
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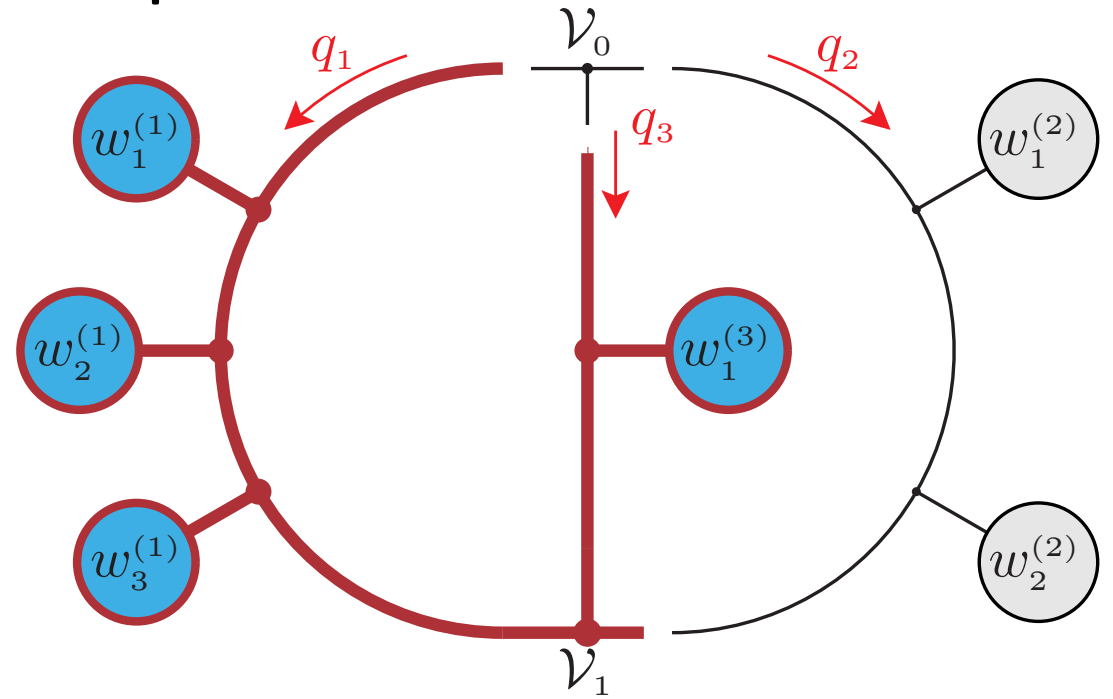
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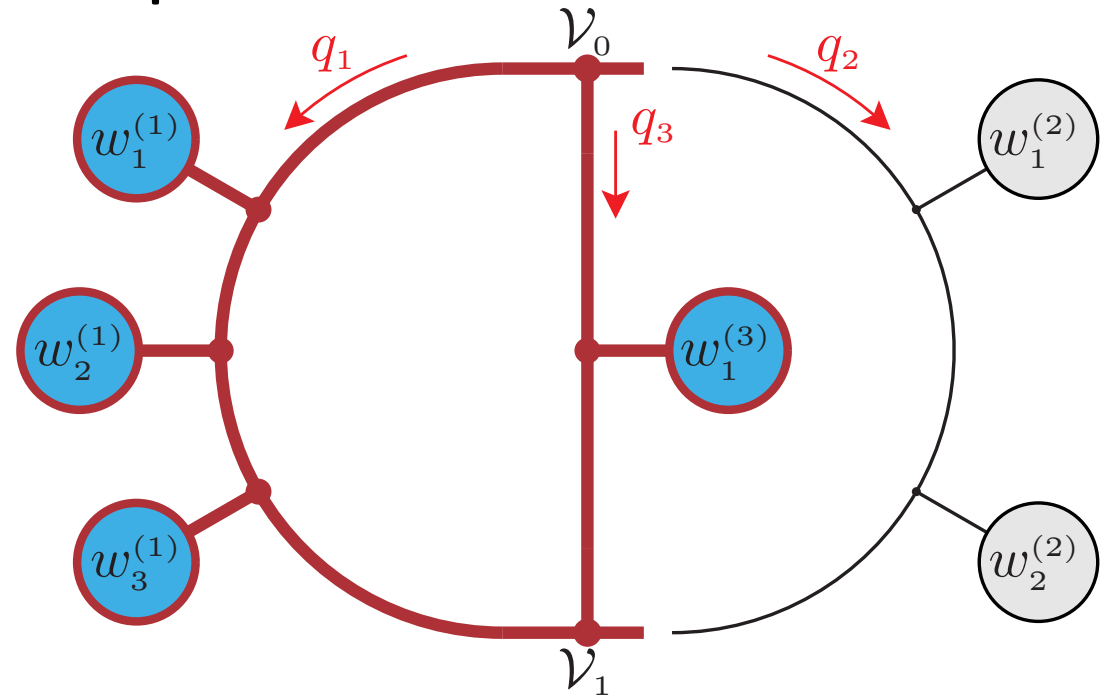
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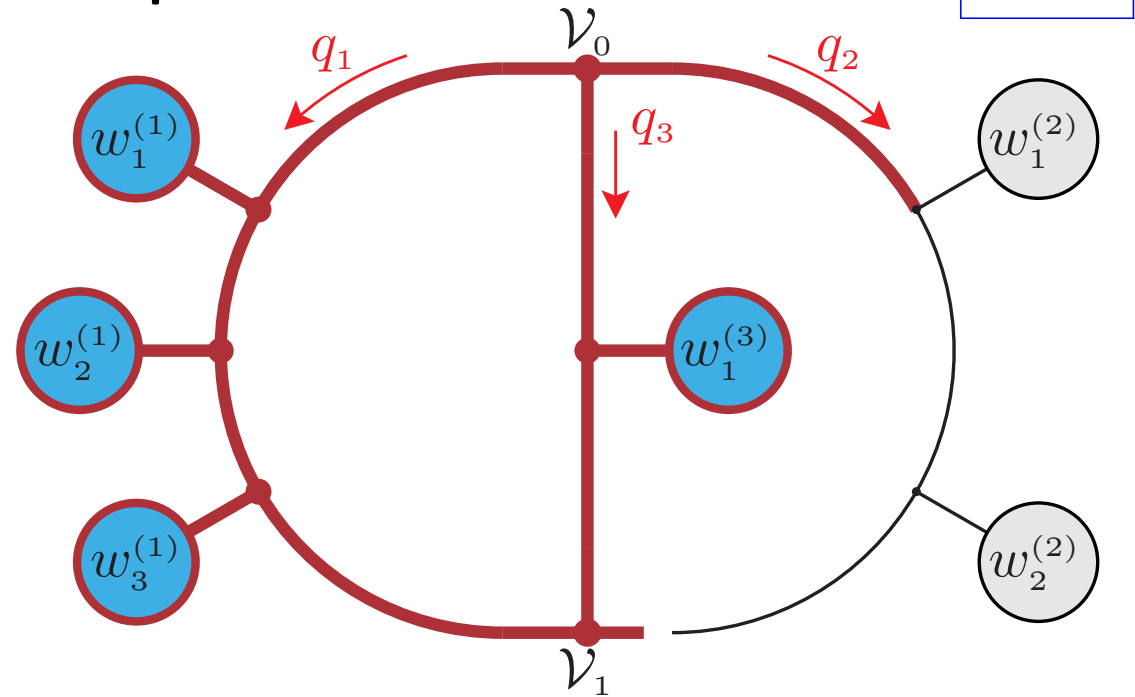
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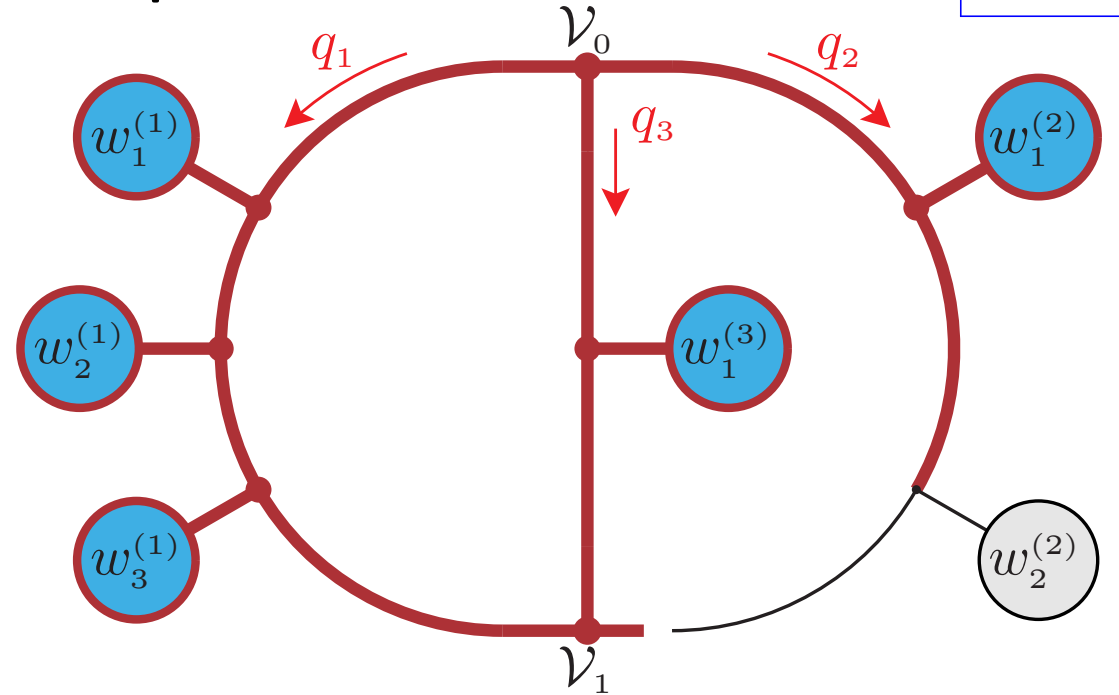


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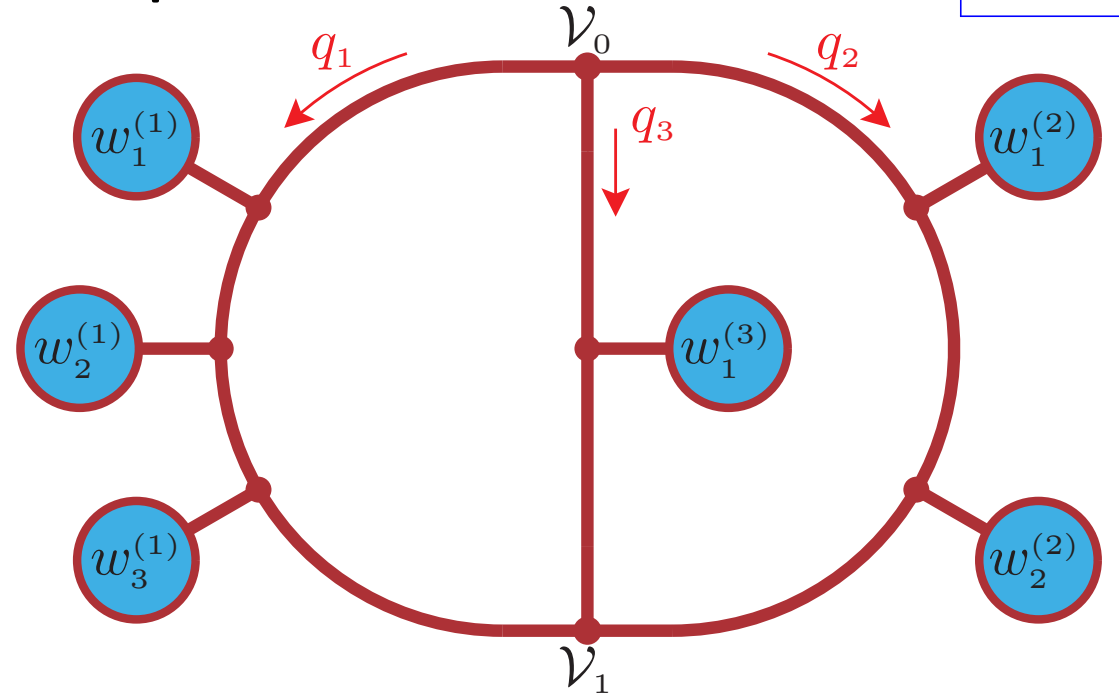
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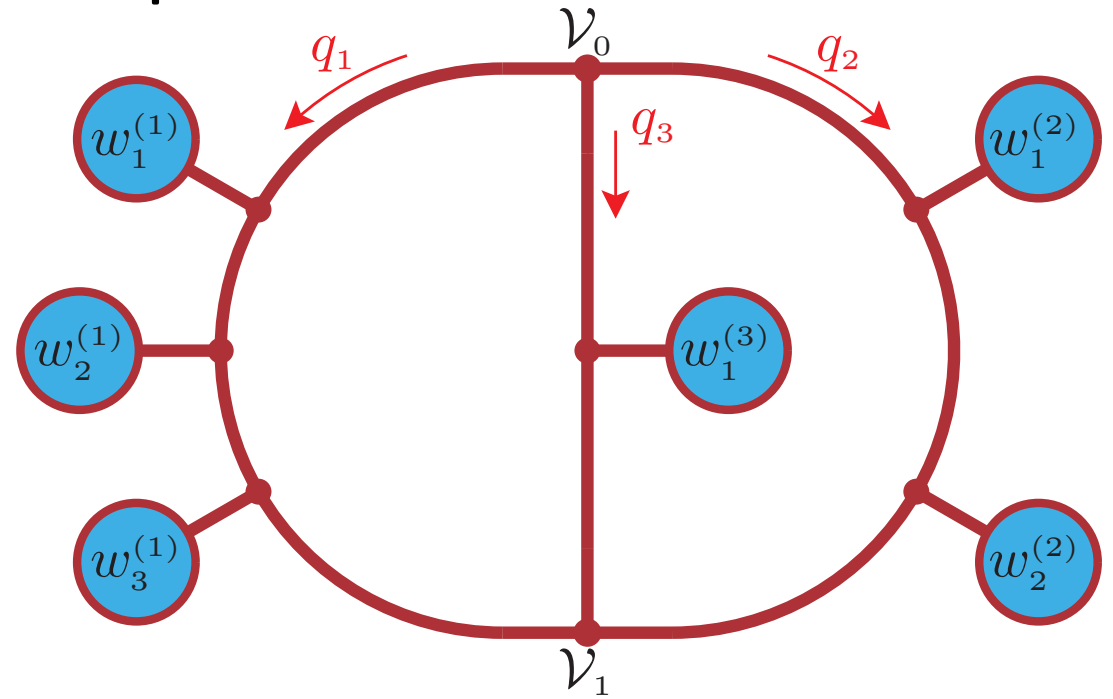
⇒ Partial diagram depends only on helicities of remaining undressed segments

⇒ **Lowest complexity in helicities for steps with highest rank in loop momenta**

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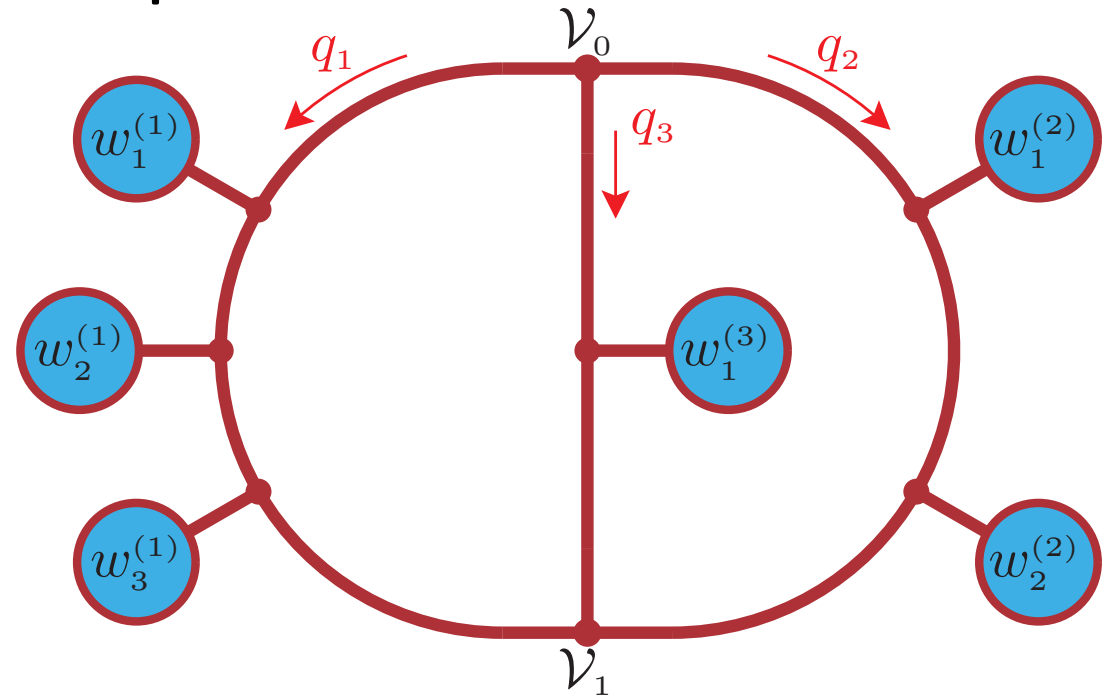
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# Numerical stability

## Pseudo-tree test

- Cut-open diagram at two propagators
- Saturate indices with random wavefunctions  $e_1, \dots, e_4$
- Evaluate integrand constructed with new two-loop algorithm at fixed values for  $q_1, q_2$

$$\Rightarrow \widehat{\mathcal{W}}_{02,\Gamma}^{(2L)} = \frac{U(q_1, q_2)}{\mathcal{D}(q_1, q_2)} \Rightarrow \widehat{\mathcal{W}}_{02}^{(2L)} = \sum_{\Gamma} \widehat{\mathcal{W}}_{02,\Gamma}^{(2L)}$$

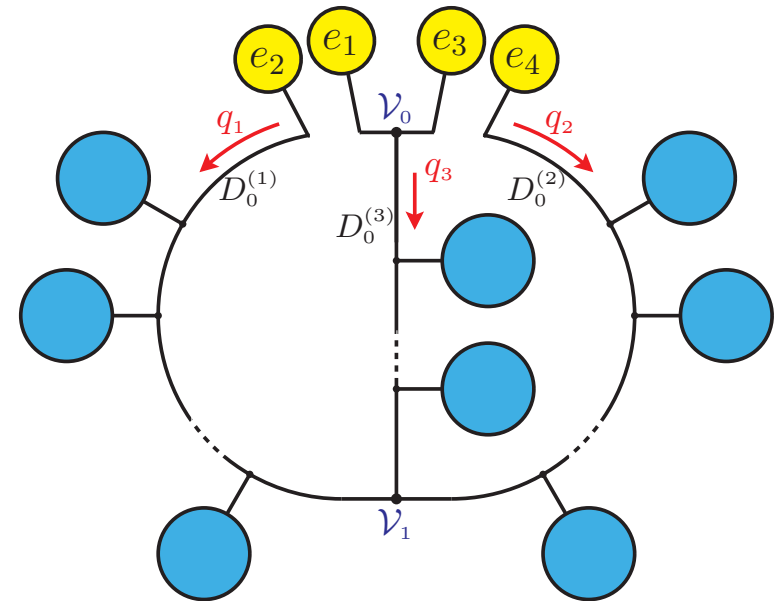
- Compute the same object with the OPENLOOPS tree-level algorithm for fixed  $q_1, q_2 \Rightarrow \widehat{\mathcal{W}}_{02}^{(t)}$   
 Compute relative numerical uncertainty in double (DP) and quadruple (QP) precision

$$\mathcal{A}^{(t)} := \log_{10} \left( \frac{|\widehat{\mathcal{W}}_{02}^{(t)} - \widehat{\mathcal{W}}_{02}^{(2L)}|}{\text{Min}(|\widehat{\mathcal{W}}_{02}^{(t)}|, |\widehat{\mathcal{W}}_{02}^{(2L)}|)} \right)$$

$\Rightarrow$  **Implementation validated** for wide range of processes ( $10^5$  uniform random points)

Typical accuracy around  $10^{-15}$  in DP and  $10^{-30}$  in QP, and always much better than  $10^{-17}$  in QP

$\Rightarrow$  **QP calculation as benchmark for numerical accuracy of DP calculation**



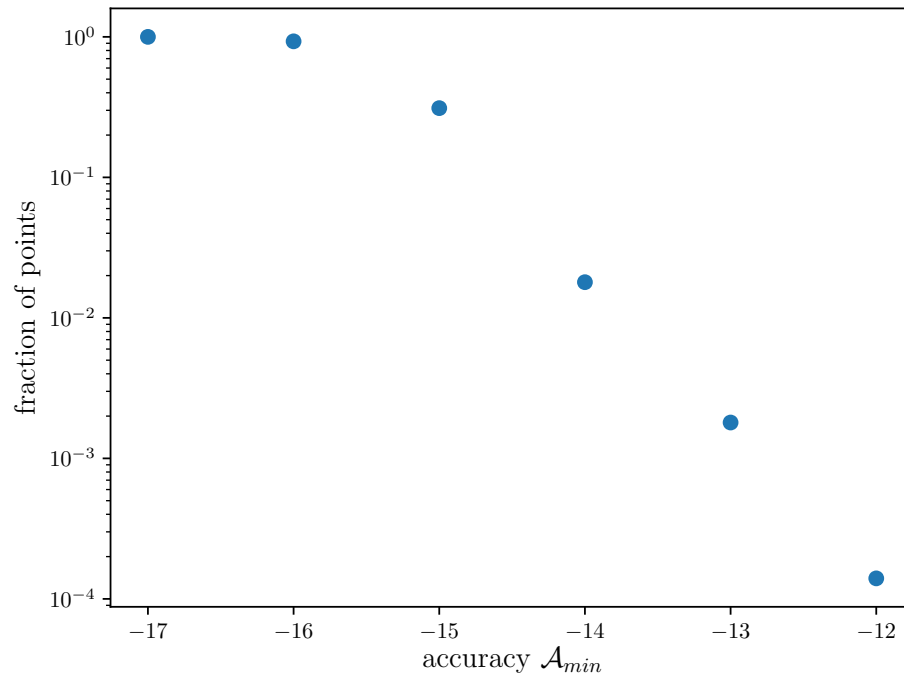


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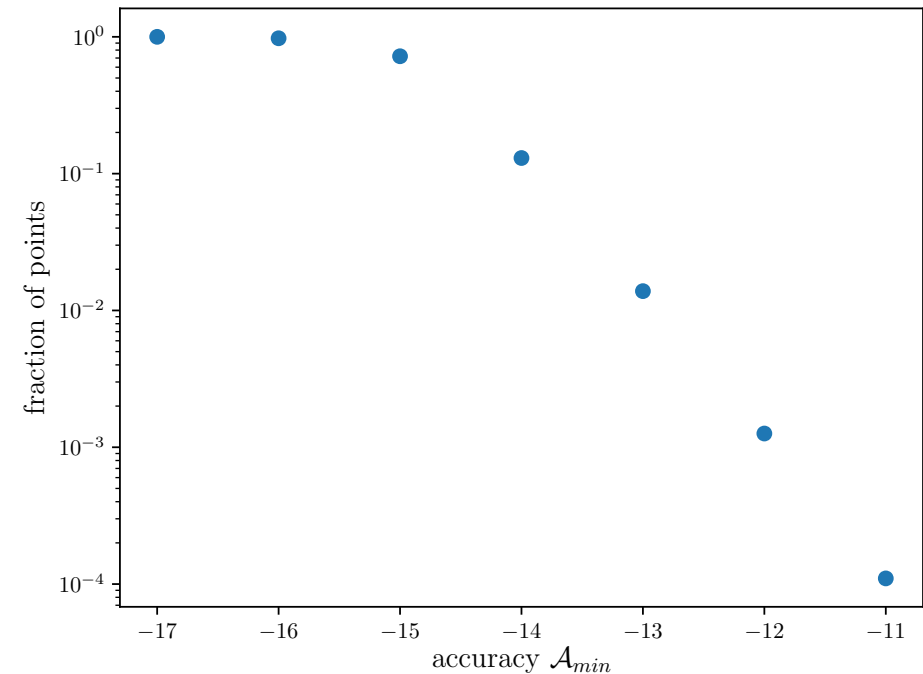
Numerical instability of double (DP) wrt quad precision (QP) calculation:

$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{DP}} = \log_{10} \left( \frac{|\widehat{\mathcal{W}}_{02}^{(2\text{L},\text{DP})} - \widehat{\mathcal{W}}_{02}^{(2\text{L},\text{QP})}|}{\text{Min}(|\widehat{\mathcal{W}}_{02}^{(2\text{L},\text{DP})}|, |\widehat{\mathcal{W}}_{02}^{(2\text{L},\text{QP})}|)} \right)$$

Fraction of points with  $\mathcal{A}_{\text{DP}} > A_{\text{min}}$  as a function of  $A_{\text{min}}$  for  $10^5$  uniform random points



$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}$



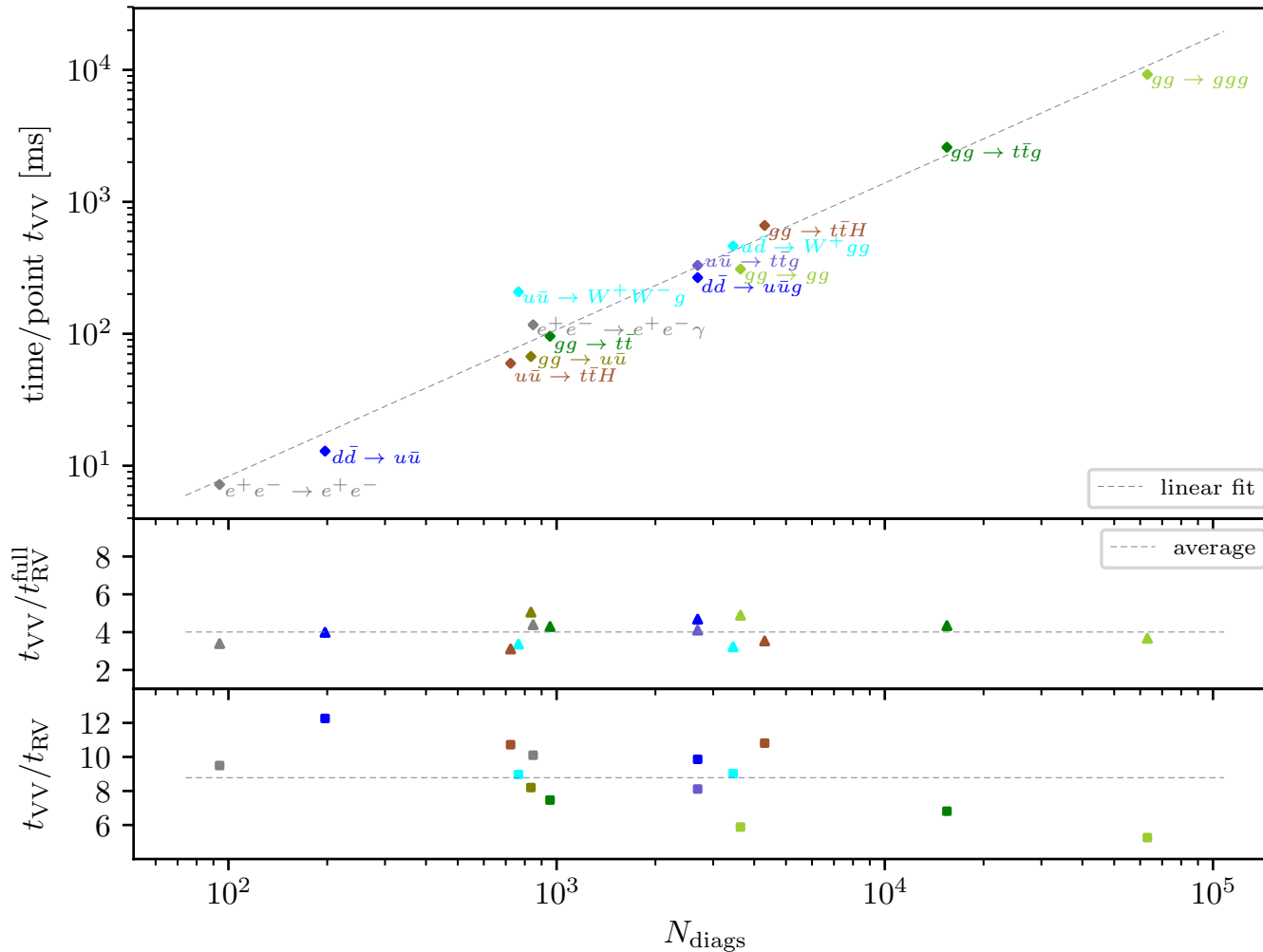
$d\bar{d} \rightarrow u\bar{u}g$

**Excellent numerical stability**

$\Rightarrow$  **Important for full calculation** (tensor integral reduction will be main source of instabilities)

# Timings for two-loop tensor coefficients

QED, QCD and SM (NNLO QCD) processes (single Intel i7-6600U @ 2.6 GHz, 16GB RAM,  $10^3$  points)



$2 \rightarrow 2$  process: 10 – 300 ms/psp

$2 \rightarrow 3$  process: 65 – 9200 ms/psp  
(on a laptop)

Runtime  $\propto$  number of diagrams  
time/psp/diagram  $\sim 150\mu\text{s}$

Constant ratios between virtual-virtual (VV) and real-virtual (RV) with and without 1-loop integrals

- tensor coefficients:  $\frac{t_{\text{VV}}}{t_{\text{RV}}} \sim 9$
- full RV:  $\frac{t_{\text{VV}}}{t_{\text{RV}}^{\text{full}}} \sim 4$

**Strong CPU performance, comparable to real-virtual corrections in OPENLOOPS**

### III. OPENLOOPS features at 1 and 2 loops

General algorithm: Any model can be implemented and any process can be generated automatically (provided the tensor/master integrals are available)

**Program structure is the same at 1 and 2 loops:**

- Process generator (Mathematica) → process libraries (Fortran)
- OPENLOOPS program (Fortran) with process-independent routines and user interfaces  
→ Simple extension of interfaces and same input parameters as at 1 loop

⇒ **Many OPENLOOPS features transferred from 1 to 2 loops**

- Wide selection of diagram filters
- Polarisation selection for external particles
- Fully automated and flexible power counting in any number of coupling constants
  - Selection of all contributions of order  $\alpha^n \alpha_s^m$  to  $\mathcal{W} \sim |\mathcal{M}|^2$  in a fully automated way
  - Selection of specific powers in charges, e.g. QED corrections to  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  split into electronic, muonic and mixed corrections (power counting in  $Q_e, Q_\mu \rightarrow 1$ )
  - better control over numerical stability

## New OPENLOOPS features at 1 and 2 loops

- **Massive QED and separation of EW corrections:**

- Process libraries with any configuration of active lepton generations
- massive  $e, \mu, \tau$
- pure QED (1 and 2 loops), pure weak (1 loop) and full EW (1 loop) corrections available

Recently applied e.g. to Møller and Bhabha scattering at NNLO QED

[Banerjee, Engel, Schalch, Signer, Ulrich] with OPENLOOPS and MCMULE [Banerjee, Engel, Signer, Ulrich]

- Fully automated efficient generation of **scattering processes factorising** into a hard process and any number of factorised subtrees, e.g.

- QCD corrections to

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \bar{q}q + X \quad \text{factorised into} \quad \underbrace{e^+e^- \rightarrow V^*}_{\text{subtree}} \quad \text{and} \quad \underbrace{V^* \rightarrow \bar{q}q + X}_{\text{hard process}} \quad \text{with } V = \gamma, Z$$

- Factorisation of  $W \rightarrow l\nu_l$  and  $Z \rightarrow l^+l^-$  decays

# Input schemes, parameters and renormalisation

- Three **EW schemes** implemented:

|                       | ew_scheme   | input parameters                              | value of $1/\alpha$ |
|-----------------------|-------------|---|---------------------|
| $\alpha(0)$ -scheme   | 0           | $\alpha(0), M_W, M_Z, M_H$ + fermion masses   | $\approx 137$       |
| $G_\mu$ -scheme       | 1 (default) | $G_\mu, M_W, M_Z, M_H$ + fermion masses       | $\approx 132$       |
| $\alpha(M_Z)$ -scheme | 2           | $\alpha(M_Z), M_W, M_Z, M_H$ + fermion masses | $\approx 128$       |

- Consistent treatment of resonances with **complex mass scheme** at 1-loop [Denner, Dittmaier]  
 $\rightarrow$  complex mass  $\mu_p^2 = M_p^2 - i M_p \Gamma_p$  from real physical mass  $M_p$  and width  $\Gamma_p$  as input
- **Different Renormalisation schemes** implemented, e.g. on-shell or  $\overline{MS}$  for quark masses; different flavour schemes for  $\alpha_S$

- **External photons** in process  $A \rightarrow B + n \underbrace{\gamma}_{\text{on-shell}} + n_* \underbrace{\gamma^*}_{\text{off-shell}} (+ \underbrace{\gamma}_{\text{real emission}})$

$\Rightarrow$  rescale with ratios of input  $\alpha$  and  $\alpha_{\text{on}} = \alpha(0), \alpha_{\text{off}} = \begin{cases} \alpha|_{G_\mu} & \text{if } \alpha = \alpha(0), \\ \alpha & \text{if } \alpha = \alpha|_{G_\mu} \text{ or } \alpha = \alpha(M_Z) \end{cases}$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{W} \rightarrow \left[ \frac{\alpha_{\text{on}}}{\alpha} \right]^n \left[ \frac{\alpha_{\text{off}}}{\alpha} \right]^{n_*} \mathcal{W} \quad (\text{No rescaling for real emission})$$

**Optimal scale choice for external on-shell, off-shell and real-emission photons**

## IV. Summary and Outlook

One and two-loop calculations can be split into construction of tensor coefficients, reduction and evaluation of tensor integrals, and restoration of  $(D - 4)$ -dim numerator parts

### Status of the OPENLOOPS framework @ 2 loops:

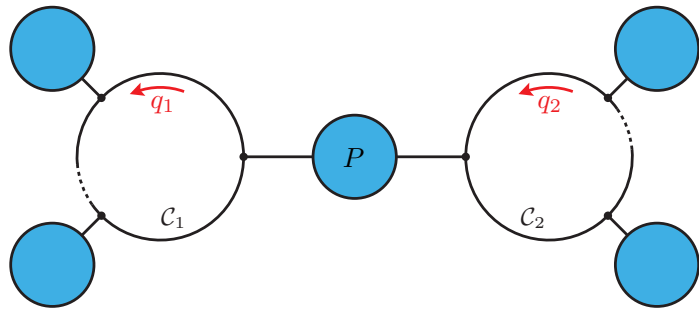
- Numerical calculation of **two-loop tensor coefficients**
  - **Completely general recursive algorithm** exploiting the factorisation of diagrams
  - **Fully implemented for NNLO QCD and NNLO QED** corrections in the SM
  - **Strong numerical precision and CPU performance** comparable to RV contributions
- Method to restore  $(D - 4)$ -dim numerator parts through universal **Rational counterterms of UV origin** @ 2 loops → **Full set computed for QED and QCD corrections to the SM**  
→ currently being implemented in the OPENLOOPS framework
- Many OPENLOOPS features transferable to 2 loops, such as power counting, renormalisation schemes, polarisation selection, input schemes, user interfaces

### Short-term and mid-term projects:

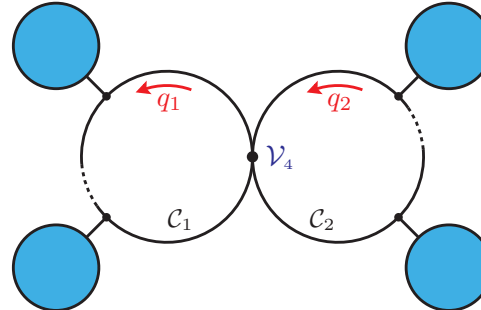
- **Rational terms of IR origin** → currently under investigation
- **Tensor integral reduction and evaluation** (analytical or numerical, in-house framework or external tool → possible mixture thereof)

**Backup**

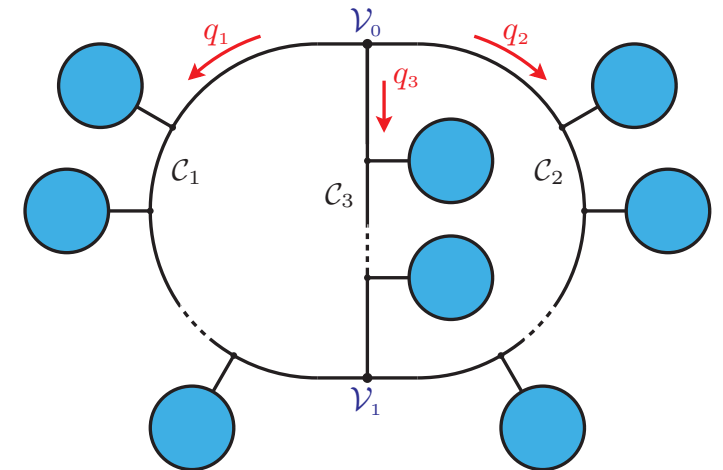
# Two-loop diagrams



(Red2)



(Red1)



(Irreducible)

Two-loop diagrams consist of loop chains  $\mathcal{C}_i$ , each depending on a single loop momentum  $q_i$ .

## Types of diagrams:

- **Reducible diagrams:** Two factorised loop integrals
  - **Red2:** Two loop chains  $\mathcal{C}_1, \mathcal{C}_2$  connected by a tree-like bridge  $P$ .
  - **Red1:** Two loop chains  $\mathcal{C}_1, \mathcal{C}_2$  connected by a single quartic vertex  $\mathcal{V}_4$
- **Irreducible diagrams:** Three loop chains  $\mathcal{C}_1, \mathcal{C}_2, \mathcal{C}_3$  with loop momenta  $q_1, q_2, q_3 = -(q_1 + q_2)$  and two connecting vertices  $\mathcal{V}_0, \mathcal{V}_1$



## Processes considered in performance tests

| corrections | process type      | massless fermions | massive fermions | process                           |
|-------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|
| QED         | $2 \rightarrow 2$ | $e$               | —                | $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-$       |
|             | $2 \rightarrow 3$ | $e$               | —                | $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma$ |
| QCD         | $2 \rightarrow 2$ | $u$               | —                | $gg \rightarrow u\bar{u}$         |
|             |                   | $u, d$            | —                | $d\bar{d} \rightarrow u\bar{u}$   |
|             |                   | $u$               | —                | $gg \rightarrow gg$               |
|             |                   | $u$               | $t$              | $u\bar{u} \rightarrow t\bar{t}g$  |
|             |                   | $u$               | $t$              | $gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}$         |
|             |                   | $u$               | $t$              | $gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}g$        |
|             | $2 \rightarrow 3$ | $u, d$            | —                | $dd \rightarrow u\bar{u}g$        |
|             |                   | $u$               | —                | $gg \rightarrow ggg$              |
|             |                   | $u, d$            | —                | $u\bar{d} \rightarrow W^+gg$      |
|             |                   | $u, d$            | —                | $u\bar{u} \rightarrow W^+W^-g$    |
|             |                   | $u$               | $t$              | $u\bar{u} \rightarrow t\bar{t}H$  |
|             |                   | $u$               | $t$              | $gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}H$        |

# Memory usage of the two-loop algorithm

| hard process                      | virtual-virtual memory [MB] |                    | real-virtual [MB] |      |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|------|
|                                   | segment-by-segment          | diagram-by-diagram | coefficients      | full |
| $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-$       | 18                          | 8                  | 6                 | 23   |
| $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma$ | 154                         | 25                 | 22                | 54   |
| $gg \rightarrow u\bar{u}$         | 75                          | 31                 | 10                | 26   |
| $gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}$         | 94                          | 35                 | 15                | 34   |
| $gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}g$        | 2000                        | 441                | 152               | 213  |
| $u\bar{d} \rightarrow W^+gg$      | 563                         | 143                | 54                | 90   |
| $u\bar{u} \rightarrow W^+W^-g$    | 264                         | 67                 | 36                | 67   |
| $u\bar{u} \rightarrow t\bar{t}H$  | 82                          | 28                 | 14                | 40   |
| $gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}H$        | 604                         | 145                | 50                | 90   |
| $u\bar{u} \rightarrow t\bar{t}g$  | 323                         | 83                 | 41                | 74   |
| $gg \rightarrow gg$               | 271                         | 94                 | 41                | 55   |
| $d\bar{d} \rightarrow u\bar{u}$   | 18                          | 10                 | 9                 | 20   |
| $d\bar{d} \rightarrow u\bar{u}g$  | 288                         | 85                 | 39                | 68   |
| $gg \rightarrow ggg$              | 6299                        | 1597               | 623               | 683  |

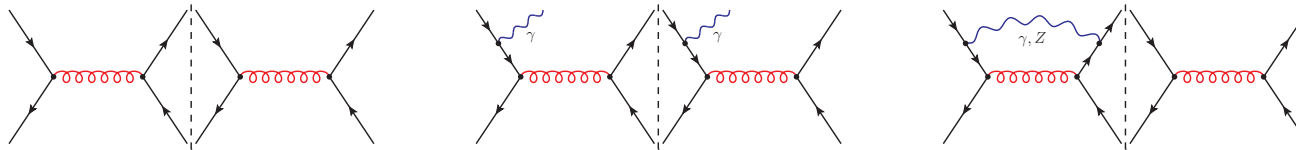
# Power counting: Nontrivial QCD-EW interplay at 1 loop

Simple example:  $q\bar{q} \rightarrow q\bar{q}$  cross section at Born level:  $\underbrace{\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^2)}_{\text{QCD}} + \underbrace{\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^1\alpha^1)}_{\text{EW-QCD interf.}} + \underbrace{\mathcal{O}(\alpha^2)}_{\text{EW}}$

In general (e.g.  $pp \rightarrow X + \text{jets}$ ):  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^n\alpha^m) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^{n-1}\alpha^{m+1}) + \dots + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^{n-k}\alpha^{m+k})$

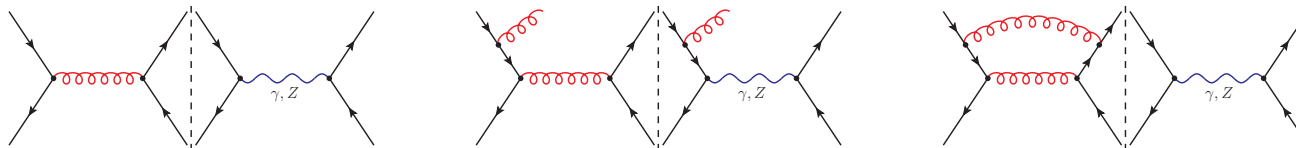
**NLO EW corrections of  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^2\alpha^1)$  for  $q\bar{q} \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ :**

- EW corrections to QCD Born



→ only full  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^2\alpha^1)$  IR finite

- QCD corrections to EW-QCD interference



→  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$  corrections can involve emissions of  $\gamma$  and  $g, q, \bar{q}$

⇒ Mixed  $\alpha \alpha_S$  power counting with non-trivial interference contributions

⇒ **OPENLOOPS provides any desired order  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^n\alpha^m)$  in a fully automated way**