

An alternative subtraction scheme for next-to-leading order QCD calculations

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Introduction and Motivation: SM at NLO

- **SM of particle physics**: accurate description of current collider data (particle data group; <http://pdg.lbl.gov>)

Why higher orders ??

- many processes governed by **strong interactions**:
next to leading (and even higher) **order contributions** can be **huge** (NLO: $\mathcal{O}(100\%)$ for many processes; NLO Les Houches report 2010, arXiv:1003.1241)
 - also important: reduction of **scales dependencies** (usually huge for LO calculations)
- ⇒ match experimental accuracies, make **meaningful** statements: need **at least** NLO
- also important: have **differential corrections**; use of **overall global** corrections (K-factors) can lead to wrong predictions for differential quantities
- ⇒ wanted: **NLO corrections for differential distributions**

Tools: Monte Carlo event generators

Way to do this: MC Event Generators

MC event generators: Generate event samples

(same form as experimental outcome)

- experiments: see **final decay products**
 - need to compare with **simulated event samples**
- ⇒ too complicated for analytic computation, need **numerical simulations**
- **LO tools**: *Pythia* (Sjöstrand ea), *Herwig* (Gieseke ea), *Sherpa* (Krauss ea), *Alpgen* (Mangano ea), ..
 - **NLO tools**: *MC@NLO* (Frixione ea), *Powheg* (Nason ea), *VBFNLO* (Arnold ea), *MCFM* (Campbell ea), *NLOJet++* (Nagy), + more (non-public) codes...

Infrared divergencies and NLO subtraction schemes: ingredients

$$\sigma_{\text{NLO,tot}} = \underbrace{\int d\Gamma_m |\mathcal{M}_{\text{Born}}^{(m)}|^2}_{\sigma_{\text{LO}}} + 2 \underbrace{\int d\Gamma_m \text{Re}(\mathcal{M}_{\text{Born}}^{(m)} (\mathcal{M}_{\text{virt}}^{(m)})^*)}_{\sigma_{\text{virt}}(\epsilon)} + \underbrace{\int d\Gamma_{m+1} |\mathcal{M}^{(m+1)}|^2}_{\sigma_{\text{real}}(\epsilon)}$$

- **infrared poles** $1/\epsilon$, $1/\epsilon^2$ cancel in $\sum \sigma_{\text{real}} + \sigma_{\text{virt}}$
- **matrix elements factorize in singular limits, unique behaviour** (depending in nature of splitting)

$$|\mathcal{M}^{(m+1)}|^2 \longrightarrow D_{ij}(p_i, p_j) |\mathcal{M}^{(m)}|^2, \quad D_{ij} \sim \frac{1}{p_i p_j}$$

- D_{ij} : **dipoles**, contain complete singularity structure
 $\implies \int d\Gamma_{m+1} \left(|\mathcal{M}^{(m+1)}|^2 - \sum_{ij} D_{ij} |\mathcal{M}^{(m)}|^2 \right) = \text{finite}$
- general idea of dipole subtraction:
shift singular parts from $m+1$ to m particle phase space

Dipole subtraction for total cross sections

Master formula

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sigma &= \sigma^{LO} + \sigma^{NLO} \\
 \sigma^{NLO} &= \int_{m+1} d\sigma^R + \int_m d\sigma^V + \int d\sigma^C \\
 &= \int_{m+1} (d\sigma^R - d\sigma^A) + \int_m (d\sigma^{\tilde{A}} + d\sigma^V + d\sigma^C),
 \end{aligned}$$

⇒ effectively added "0"; both integrals finite

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Ingredient for subtraction schemes: momentum matching

- previous slide: add and subtract "0" in terms of

$$\int d\Gamma_m \tilde{F}_{\text{sing}} |\mathcal{M}_{\text{Born}}^{(m)}|^2 - \int d\Gamma_{m+1} F_{\text{sing}} |\mathcal{M}_{\text{Born}}^{(m)}|^2$$

- addition and subtraction takes place in different phase spaces

$$p_{\tilde{a}}^{(m)} = F \left(p_a^{(m+1)}, p_b^{(m+1)}, \dots \right)$$

This function is highly scheme dependent !!!

- requirement: energy/ momentum conservation, onshellness of external particles:

$$\sum_m p_{\tilde{a}} \stackrel{!}{=} \sum_{m+1} p_a, \quad p_{i,j}^2 = 0$$

(sum over outgoing particles only)

Nagy Soper subtraction scheme

- many different subtraction schemes are around (best known: Catani, Seymour, 1996)
- all schemes: poles have to be the same; finite parts can differ

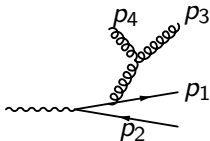
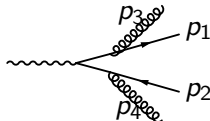
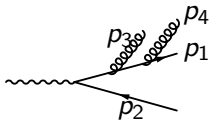
Main motivation for new scheme

- basic idea: can use the splitting functions in the parton shower as dipole subtraction terms
 - ⇒ have same behaviour in singular limits
- introduce new matching between m and $m + 1$ phase spaces
 - ⇒ leads to a much smaller number of subtraction terms especially important for large number of external particles (same dipoles in shower and subtraction scheme: facilitates matching with NLO calculations)

Shifting momenta: Example

$$\gamma^* \longrightarrow q(p_1)\bar{q}(p_2)g(p_3) \text{ (@ NLO)}$$

$q\bar{q}gg$ real emission contributions:



CS: 1 momentum shift/ spectator

p_2, p_3 : 2 transformations

NS: 1 total transformation

\Rightarrow from simple counting: $(+(p_1 \leftrightarrow p_2))$

12 transformations using **CS** vs **6** using **NS** dipoles !!

Deep inelastic scattering (subprocess of...) (hard)

$$e(p_{in}) q(p_1) \longrightarrow e(p_{out}) q(p_4) [g(p_3)]$$

- **CS**: spectator for final state gluon emission:

initial state quark

- **NS**: spectator for final state gluon emission:

final state lepton

⇒ first nontrivial check of NS scheme ⇐

- major difference in **integrated subtraction terms**
- contains **integrals** which need to be evaluated numerically
- for some integrals, **$m + 1$ variables** have to be **reconstructed**

⇒ HUGE difference wrt standard scheme(s) ⇐

DIS: Nagy Soper - subtraction in the virtual contribution

⇒ major difference in **integrated subtraction terms**

$$\int_0^1 dx |\mathcal{M}|_2^2 = \int_0^1 dx \left\{ \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} C_F \delta(1-x) \left[-9 + \frac{1}{3}\pi^2 - \frac{1}{2}\text{Li}_2[(1-\tilde{z}_0)^2] \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. + 2 \ln 2 \ln \tilde{z}_0 + 3 \ln \tilde{z}_0 + 3 \text{Li}_2(1-\tilde{z}_0) + \mathbf{l}_{\text{fin}}^{\text{tot},0}(\tilde{\mathbf{z}}_0) + \mathbf{l}_{\text{fin}}^1(\tilde{\mathbf{a}}) \right] \right. \\ \left. + K_{\text{fin}}^{\text{tot}}(x; \tilde{\mathbf{z}}) + P_{\text{fin}}^{\text{tot}}(x; \mu_F^2) \right\} |\mathcal{M}|_{\text{Born}}^2(x; p_1),$$

$$\mathbf{K}_{\text{fin}}^{\text{tot}}(x; \tilde{\mathbf{z}}) = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} C_F \left\{ \frac{1}{x} \left[2(1-x) \ln(1-x) - \left(\frac{1+x^2}{1-x} \right)_+ \ln x \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. + 4x \left(\frac{\ln(1-x)}{1-x} \right)_+ \right] + \mathbf{l}_{\text{fin}}^1(\tilde{\mathbf{z}}, x) \right\},$$

⇒ contains **integrals** which need to be evaluated numerically ⇐

DIS: Nagy Soper - integrals to be evaluated numerically

⇒ **Integrals** contain **nontrivial functions** depending on m and $m + 1$ four-momenta ←

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{I}_{\text{fin}}^{\text{tot},0}(\tilde{\mathbf{z}}_0) &= 2 \int_0^1 \frac{dy}{y} \left\{ \frac{\tilde{z}_0}{\sqrt{4y^2(1-\tilde{z}_0) + \tilde{z}_0^2}} \right. \\
 &\quad \times \ln \left[\frac{2z \sqrt{4y^2(1-\tilde{z}_0) + \tilde{z}_0^2} (1-y)}{\left((2y + \tilde{z}_0 - 2y\tilde{z}_0 + \sqrt{4y^2(1-\tilde{z}_0) + \tilde{z}_0^2})^2 \right)} + \ln 2 \right] \left. \right\}. \\
 \mathbf{I}_{\text{fin}}^1(\tilde{\mathbf{a}}) &= 2 \int_0^1 \frac{du}{u} \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x} \\
 &\quad \times \left[\frac{\mathbf{x}(1-x + \mathbf{u}\mathbf{x}[(1-\mathbf{u}\mathbf{x})\tilde{\mathbf{a}} + 2])}{\mathbf{k}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{x}, \tilde{\mathbf{a}})} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + 4\tilde{\mathbf{a}}_0 u^2 (1 + \tilde{\mathbf{a}}_0)}} \right]. \\
 \mathbf{I}_{\text{fin}}^1(\tilde{\mathbf{z}}, \mathbf{x}) &= \frac{2}{(1-x)_+} \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^1 \frac{dy'}{y'} \left[\int_0^1 \frac{dv}{\sqrt{v(1-v)}} \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{z}}}{\mathbf{N}(\mathbf{x}, y', \tilde{\mathbf{z}}, \mathbf{v})} - 1 \right],
 \end{aligned}$$

DIS: Nagy Soper - variables in integrals to be evaluated numerically

for some integrals, $m + 1$ variables have to be reconstructed
 \Rightarrow **HUGE difference wrt standard scheme(s)** \Leftarrow

in initial state subtraction terms

$$\mathbf{N} = \frac{\hat{p}_3 \cdot \hat{p}_4}{\hat{p}_4 \cdot \hat{Q}} \frac{1}{1-x} + y', \tilde{z} = \frac{1}{x} \frac{p_1 \cdot \hat{p}_4}{\hat{p}_4 \cdot \hat{Q}}$$

$$\hat{p}_3 = \underbrace{\frac{(1-x)(1-y')}{x}}_{\alpha} p_1 + \underbrace{(1-x)y'}_{\beta} p_i - k_{\perp}, \hat{p}_4^{\mu} = \Lambda^{\mu}_{\nu}(\hat{K}, K) \hat{p}_4^{\nu}$$

$$k_{\perp}^2 = -2\alpha\beta p_1 \cdot p_i, k_{\perp} = -|k_{\perp}| \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2\sqrt{v(1-v)} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

in final state subtraction terms

$$k^2(x, u, \tilde{a}) = \left[(1+ux-x)(z-z') + ux \left((1-ux)\tilde{a} + 1 \right) \right]^2 + 4uxz'(1-z)(1+ux-x) \left((1-ux)\tilde{a} + 1 \right)$$

$$\tilde{a} = \frac{p_1 \cdot p_o}{p_1 \cdot (p_i - (1-y)p_o)}$$

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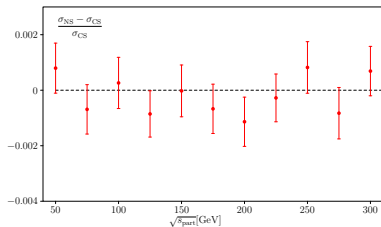
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Alternative subtraction scheme

DIS: Catani Seymour vs Nagy Soper - numerical result

consistency check: get the same result



relative difference between CS and NS: $\frac{\sigma_{\text{CS}} - \sigma_{\text{NS}}}{\sigma_{\text{CS}}}$

agree on the sub-permill level ✓

Catani Seymour vs Nagy Soper - Summary and upshot

- **NS checked for:** single W, Dijet, $pp \rightarrow H$, $H \rightarrow gg$, DIS, $ee \rightarrow 3$ jets (singular regions only)

NS upshots:

- + **less transformations** in the subtraction terms (leading to faster codes for higher multiplicity final states)
- **more complicated expressions**, and **numerically evaluable integrals**, in the subtraction terms (already for “easy” processes)
- both due to **different mapping procedure**

⇒ **need to test on higher multiplicity final states to see net result** ⇐

next step on the road...

Appendix

Catani Seymour vs Nagy Soper: Shifting momenta

- matching between m and $m + 1$ particle spaces requires reshuffling of momenta
- for

$$p_{\text{mother}}^{(m)} = p_{\text{daughter},1}^{(m+1)} + p_{\text{daughter},2}^{(m+1)}$$

not all particles can be onshell simultaneously

⇒ need additional spectators to take over additional momenta

- Catani Seymour: define emitter-spectator pair, momentum goes to 1 additional particle only

⇒ quite easy integrations; however, for increasing number of particles, huge number of transformations necessary

- Nagy Soper:

shift momenta to **all** non-emitting external particles

- number of transformations = number of emitters

- leads to more complicated integrals during framework setup

- in general: # of transformations: CS $\sim N_{\text{jets}}^3/2$, NS $\sim N_{\text{jets}}^2/2$

Difference 2: Matching with parton showers

- double counting: hard real emissions are described in both shower and "real emission" matrix element
- avoid double counting

$$- \int_{m+1} d\sigma^{\text{PS}}|_{m+1} + \int_{m+1} d\sigma^{\text{PS}}|_m$$

details eg in hep-ph/0204244: "Matching NLO QCD computations and parton shower simulations" (Frixione, Webber), MC@NLO

- important: have new terms in $m + 1$ phase space

$$\int_{m+1} \left(d\sigma^R - \underbrace{d\sigma^A + d\sigma^{\text{PS}}|_m}_{=0} - d\sigma^{\text{PS}}|_{m+1} \right)$$

- same splitting functions: second and third term cancel analytically !!

⇒ improves numerical efficiency

Processes at hadron colliders: general

- hadron colliders (as Tevatron, LHC) collide **hadrons**
- QCD: talks about **partons**
- transition: parton distribution functions (PDFs) $f_l(x, \mu_F)$;
 $l = q, \bar{q}, g$ flavour, x momentum fraction, (μ_F factorization scale)

masterformula

$$\sigma_{\text{hadr}}(p \bar{p} \rightarrow X) = \sum_{l_1, l_2} \int dx_1 \int dx_2 f_{l_1}(x_1) f_{l_2}(x_2) \sigma_{\text{part}}(x_1, x_2; l_1 l_2 \rightarrow X)$$

- **perturbative**, **nonperturbative** part

Second ingredient: Parametrization of integration variables

- again: remember you have

$$F_{\text{sing}} \propto D_{ij}, \quad \tilde{F}_{\text{sing}} = \int d\Gamma_1 D_{ij}, \quad d\Gamma_1 \propto d^4 p_j \delta(p_j^2)$$

$$\implies \tilde{F}_{\text{sing}} \propto \int d^4 p_j \delta(p_j^2) D_{ij}$$

- 3 free variables (in D dimensions: $D - 1$)
!! need to be written in terms of m particle variables !!
- now all ingredients:
total energy momentum conservation, onshellness of external particles, need for integration variables

NS integration measures (1)

Initial state

$$d\xi_p = dx \int_0^1 dy' \int_0^1 dv \frac{(2p_a \cdot p_b)^{1-\varepsilon} x^{\varepsilon-1}}{(4\pi)^2} \frac{\pi^{\varepsilon-\frac{1}{2}}}{\Gamma\left(\frac{1-2\varepsilon}{2}\right)} \\ \times [y'(1-y')]^{-\varepsilon} [v(1-v)]^{-\frac{1+2\varepsilon}{2}} \Theta[(1-x)x]$$

Final state, 2 \rightarrow 2 processes

$$d\xi_p = \frac{(2p_\ell \cdot Q)^{1-\varepsilon}}{16} \frac{\pi^{-\frac{5}{2}+\varepsilon}}{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}-\varepsilon\right)} \\ \times \int_0^1 du u^{-\varepsilon} (1-u)^{-\varepsilon} \int_0^1 dx x^{1-2\varepsilon} (1-x)^{-\varepsilon} \int_0^1 dv [v(1-v)]^{-\frac{1+2\varepsilon}{2}}$$

NS integration measures (2)

Final state, $2 \rightarrow n$ processes

$$d\xi_p = \frac{(2 p_i Q)^{1-\varepsilon}}{16} \frac{\pi^{-\frac{5}{2}+\varepsilon}}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2}-\varepsilon)} \int_0^1 du u^{-\varepsilon} \int_0^1 dx \delta^{1-\varepsilon} \gamma^{1-2\varepsilon} [(1-x)(x-x_0)]^{-\varepsilon} \int_0^1 dv [v(1-v)]^{-\frac{1+2\varepsilon}{2}}.$$

Variables

$$\lambda = \sqrt{(1+y)^2 - 4ay}, \quad a = \frac{Q^2}{2 p_i Q}, \quad y = \frac{\hat{p}_i \hat{p}_j}{p_i Q}$$

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{2} (1+y+\lambda), \quad x_0(y, a) = \frac{1-\lambda+y}{1+\lambda+y},$$

Maximal number of transformations

emitter, spectator	CS	NS
fin,fin	$N' (N' - 1) (N' - 2)/2$	$N' (N' - 1)/2$
fin,ini	$N' (N' - 1)$	—
ini,fin	$2 (N' - 1) N'$	$2 N'$
ini,ini	$2 N'$	—
total	$N'^2(N' + 3)/2 = (N + 1)^2(N + 4)/2$	$N'(N' + 3)/2 = (N + 1)(N + 4)/2$

Table: Maximal number of **transformations** needed for N particles in the born final state ($N' = N + 1$ in the real radiation contribution) using Catani Seymour or Nagy Soper prescriptions. Formula is exact for processes where all partons are gluons; for quarks, number can actually be smaller. Note: number of transformations is **not** equal to number of dipoles.

Dipole subtraction: Real master formula

Real Masterformula ($s = (p_a + p_b)^2$)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sigma(s) = & \int_m d\Phi^{(m)}(s) \frac{1}{n_c(a)n_c(b)} |\mathcal{M}^{(m)}|^2(s) F_J^{(m)} \\
 & + \int d\Phi^{(m+1)}(s) \left\{ \frac{1}{n_c(a)n_c(b)} |\mathcal{M}^{(m+1)}|^2(s) F_J^{(m+1)} - \sum_{\text{dipoles}} (\mathcal{D} \cdot F_J^{(m)}) \right\} \\
 & + \int d\Phi^{(m)}(s) \left\{ \frac{1}{n_c(a)n_c(b)} |\mathcal{M}^{(m)}|^2_{\text{loop}}(p_a, p_b) + \mathbf{I}(\varepsilon) |\mathcal{M}^{(m)}|^2(s) \right\}_{\varepsilon=0} F_J^{(m)} \\
 & + \left\{ \int dx_a dx_b \delta(x - x_a) \delta(x_b - 1) \int d\Phi^{(m)}(x_a p_a, x_b p_b) |\mathcal{M}^{(m)}|^2(x_a p_a, x_b p_b) \right. \\
 & \quad \times \left. \left(\mathbf{K}^{a,a'}(x) + \mathbf{P}^{a,a'}(x_a p_a, x_b p_b, x; \mu_F^2) \right) \right\} + (a \leftrightarrow b)
 \end{aligned}$$

where all colour/ phase space factors have been accounted for

Integrated Dipoles in more details: I, K, P (1)

$m + 1$ phase space: in principle easy

$$\int d\Gamma_{m+1} \left(|\mathcal{M}_{\text{real}}|^2 - \sum D \right), \text{ finite}$$

m particle phase space: more complicated

need integration variables (emission from p_1):

$$x = 1 - \frac{p_4(p_1 + p_2)}{p_1 p_2} \text{ softness, } \tilde{v} = \frac{p_1 p_4}{p_1 p_2} \text{ collinearity}$$

Integrated Dipoles in more details: I, K, P (2)

- in principle, obtain $\int d\Gamma_1 D = \int_0^1 dx \left(\mathbf{I}(\varepsilon) + \tilde{\mathbf{K}}(x, \varepsilon) \right)$
- $\mathbf{I}(\varepsilon) \propto \delta(1-x)$: corresponds to loop part
- $\tilde{\mathbf{K}}(x, \varepsilon)$ contains finite parts as well as **collinear singularities**
- latter need to be cancelled by adding **collinear counterterm**

$$\frac{1}{\varepsilon} \left(\frac{4\pi\mu^2}{\mu_F^2} \right)^\varepsilon P^{qq}(x)$$

depends on factorization scale μ_F ($P^{qq}(x)$ splitting function)

- PDFs come in again: term already accounted for by folding w PDF, needs to be subtracted
- for $qg \rightarrow Wq$ like processes, only singularity which appears

$q \rightarrow qg$ for initial state quarks: Catani Seymour (1)

- $q(\tilde{p}_1) \rightarrow q(p_1) + g(p_4)$, q enters hard interaction
- Dipole:

$$D^{14,2} = -\frac{8\pi\mu^2\alpha_s C_F}{s+t+u} \left(\frac{2s(s+t+u)}{t(t+u)} + (1-\varepsilon)\frac{t+u}{t} \right)$$

- matching ($\tilde{p}_2 = p_2$)

$$\tilde{p}_1 = x p_1, \quad x = 1 - \frac{p_4(p_1 + p_2)}{(p_1 p_2)}$$

$$\tilde{p}_k^\mu = \Lambda^\mu{}_\nu p_k^\nu, \quad (k: \text{final state particles})$$

$$\Lambda^{\mu\nu} = -g^{\mu\nu} - \frac{2(K + \tilde{K})^\mu(K + \tilde{K})^\nu}{(K + \tilde{K})^2} + \frac{2K^\mu\tilde{K}^\nu}{K^2}$$

$$K = p_1 + p_2 - p_4, \quad \tilde{K} = \tilde{p}_1 + p_2$$

$q \rightarrow qg$ for initial state quarks: Catani Seymour (2)

- integration variables:

$$v = \frac{p_1 p_4}{p_1 p_2}, \quad x = 1 - \frac{p_4 (p_1 + p_2)}{(p_1 p_2)}$$

- in p_1, p_2 cm system: $E_4 \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow x \rightarrow 1$ (softness)
 $\cos \theta_{14} \rightarrow 1 \Rightarrow v \rightarrow 0$ (collinearity)
- Dipole in terms of integration variables

$$D^{14,2} = -\frac{8 \pi \alpha_s C_F}{v x s} \left(\frac{1+x^2}{1-x} - \varepsilon(1-x) \right)$$

- integration measure

$$[dp_j] = \frac{(2 p_1 p_2)^{1-\varepsilon}}{16 \pi^2} \frac{d\Omega_{d-3}}{(2 \pi)^{1-\varepsilon}} dv dx (1-x)^{-2\varepsilon} \left[\frac{v}{1-x} \left(1 - \frac{v}{1-x} \right) \right]^{-\varepsilon}$$

where $v \leq 1 - x$ and all integrals between 0 and 1

$q \rightarrow qg$ for initial state quarks: Catani Seymour (3)

- result

$$\mu^{2\epsilon} \int [dp_j] D^{14,2} = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \frac{1}{\Gamma(1-\epsilon)} C_F \left(\frac{2\mu^2\pi}{p_1 p_2} \right)^\epsilon$$

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with

$$\mathbf{I}(\epsilon) = \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} + \frac{3}{2\epsilon} - \frac{\pi^2}{6}$$

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$$P^{qq}(x) = \left(\frac{1+x^2}{1-x} \right)_+ \quad \text{regularized splitting function}$$

$q \rightarrow qg$ for initial state quarks: Nagy Soper (1)

- $q(\tilde{p}_1) \rightarrow q(p_1) + g(p_4)$, q enters hard interaction
- Dipole:

$$D^{14,2} = -\frac{8\pi\mu^2\alpha_s C_F}{s+t+u} \left(\frac{2su(s+t+u)}{t(t^2+u^2)} + (1-\varepsilon)\frac{u}{t} \right)$$

as CS, same pole structure as CS

- matching, integration variables, integration measure:
as Catani Seymour ($v \leftrightarrow y$)
- Dipole in terms of integration variables

$$D^{14,2} = -\frac{8\pi\alpha_s C_F}{xs} \times \left(\frac{1-x-y}{y}(1-\varepsilon) + \frac{2x}{y(1-x)} - \frac{2x[2y-(1-x)]}{(1-x)[y^2+(1-x-y)^2]} \right)$$

$q \rightarrow qg$ for initial state quarks: Nagy Soper (2)

- result

$$\mu^{2\varepsilon} \int [dp_j] D^{14,2} = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \frac{1}{\Gamma(1-\varepsilon)} C_F \left(\frac{2\mu^2\pi}{p_1 p_2} \right)^\varepsilon$$

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$\mathbf{K}(x) =$

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- equivalence of dipoles schemes checked analytically

Final state $g \rightarrow q \bar{q}$: Catani Seymour vs Nagy Soper (1)

- $g(\tilde{p}_i) \rightarrow q(p_i) + \bar{q}(p_j)$,
spectator: any other final state parton, p_k
- Dipole (in terms of integration variables):

$$D_{\text{NS, CS}}^{ij,k} \propto \underbrace{\frac{1}{y}}_{\text{sing}} \left[1 - \frac{z(1-z)}{1-\varepsilon} \right]$$

- NS definitions

$$y_{\text{NS}} = \frac{p_i p_j}{(p_i + p_j)Q - p_i p_j}, \quad z_{\text{NS}} = \frac{p_j \tilde{n}}{p_i \tilde{n} + p_j \tilde{n}}$$

$$\tilde{n} = \frac{1+y+\lambda}{2\lambda} Q - \frac{a}{\lambda} (p_i + p_j), \quad \lambda = \sqrt{(1+y)^2 - 4ay}, \quad a = \frac{Q^2}{(p_i + p_j)Q - p_i p_j}$$

- CS definitions:

$$y_{\text{CS}} = \frac{p_i p_j}{p_i p_j + p_i p_k + p_j p_k}, \quad z_{\text{CS}} = \frac{p_i p_k}{p_i p_k + p_j p_k}$$

Final state $g \rightarrow q \bar{q}$: Catani Seymour vs Nagy Soper (2)

- CS matching (all other final state particles untouched)

$$\tilde{p}_i = p_i + p_j - \frac{y}{1-y} p_k, \quad \tilde{p}_k^\mu = \frac{1}{1-y} p_k^\mu$$

- NS matching

$$\tilde{p}_i = \frac{1}{\lambda} (p_i + p_j) - \frac{1 - \lambda + y}{2\lambda a} Q, \quad \tilde{p}_k^\mu = \Lambda^\mu{}_\nu p_k^\nu \quad \text{all fs particles}$$

$$\Lambda^{\mu\nu} = g^{\mu\nu} - \frac{2(K+\tilde{K})^\mu(K+\tilde{K})^\nu}{(K+\tilde{K})^2} + \frac{2K^\mu\tilde{K}^\nu}{K^2}, \quad K=Q-p_i-p_j, \quad \tilde{K}=Q-\tilde{p}_i$$

- integration measure (identical, same pole structure)

$$[dp_j]_{\text{CS}} = \frac{(2\tilde{p}_i\tilde{p}_k)^{1-\epsilon}}{16\pi^2} \frac{d\Omega_{d-3}}{(2\pi)^{1-\epsilon}} dz dy (1-y)^{1-2\epsilon} y^{-\epsilon} [z(1-z)]^{-\epsilon},$$

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Final state $g \rightarrow q \bar{q}$: Catani Seymour vs Nagy Soper (3)

- result CS

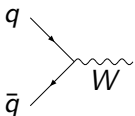
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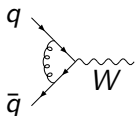
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- for $a = 1$, reduces completely to Catani Seymour result
- (reason: $a = 1$ implies only 2 particles in the final state, $\tilde{n} \rightarrow p_k$, \Rightarrow complete equivalence)
- tradeoff: all final state particles get additional momenta: integral more complicated, but fewer transformations necessary

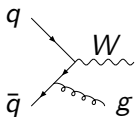
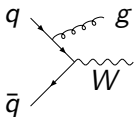
Single W production (slide by C. Chung)



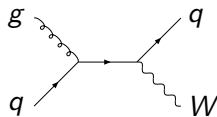
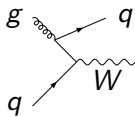
Tree level: $q\bar{q} \rightarrow W$



Virtual corrections: $q\bar{q} \rightarrow W$



Real corrections: $q\bar{q} \rightarrow Wg$



$gq \rightarrow Wq$ (+ 2 more diagrams)

$$\frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{9} |\mathcal{M}_B|^2 = \frac{g^2}{12} |V_{qq'}|^2 M_W^2, \quad \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{9} \sum |\mathcal{M}_R|^2 = \frac{8g^2 \pi \alpha_s}{9} |V_{qq'}|^2 \frac{\hat{t}^2 + \hat{u}^2 + 2M_W^2 \hat{s}}{\hat{t}\hat{u}}$$

$$|\mathcal{M}_V|^2 = |\mathcal{M}_B|^2 \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} C_F \frac{1}{\Gamma(1-\epsilon)} \left(\frac{4\pi\mu^2}{Q^2} \right)^\epsilon \left\{ -\frac{2}{\epsilon^2} - \frac{3}{\epsilon} - 8 + \pi^2 + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon) \right\}$$

Single W production: Nagy Soper vs Catani Seymour subtraction (easy)

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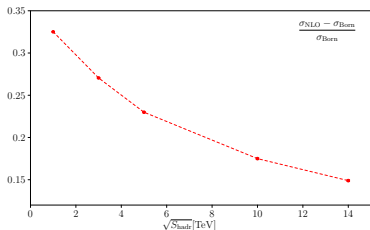
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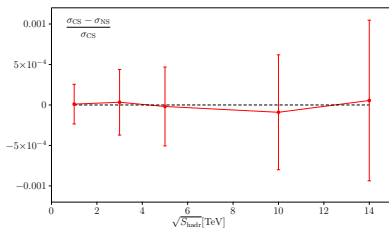
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Numerical results for single W (slide by C. Chung)

input: $M_W = 80.35$ GeV, PDF \Rightarrow cteq6m, $\alpha_s(M_W) = 0.120299$



$\frac{\sigma_{NLO} - \sigma_{LO}}{\sigma_{LO}}$ as a function of $\sqrt{S_{hadr}}$
 corrections up to 30%



relative difference between CS and NS:
 $\frac{\sigma_{CS} - \sigma_{NS}}{\sigma_{CS}}$
 agree on the sub-permill level ✓

DIS: Catani Seymour

Real emission subtraction terms

$$D_{43,1} = \frac{4\pi\alpha_s}{p_3 p_4} \frac{1}{x_{43,1}} C_F \left[\frac{2}{1 - \tilde{z}_4 + (1 - x_{43,1})} - (1 + \tilde{z}_4) \right] |\mathcal{M}|_{\text{Born}}^2(\tilde{p}_1, \tilde{p}_4)$$

$$D_{13,4} = \frac{4\pi\alpha_s}{p_1 p_3} \frac{1}{x_{34,1}} C_F \left[\frac{2}{1 - x_{34,1} + u_3} - (1 + x_{34,1}) \right] |\mathcal{M}|_{\text{Born}}^2(\tilde{p}_1, \tilde{p}_4)$$

$$\tilde{z}_4 = \frac{p_1 p_4}{(p_3 + p_4) p_1}, \quad x_{43,1} = x_{34,1} = \frac{p_i p_o}{p_1 p_4 + p_1 p_3}, \quad u_3 = \frac{p_1 p_3}{(p_3 + p_4) p_1}$$

Mapping

$$\tilde{p}_1 = x_{43,1} p_1, \quad \tilde{p}_4 = p_3 + p_4 - (1 - x_{43,1}) p_1$$

Integrated subtraction terms

$$\int_0^1 dx |\mathcal{M}|_{2,\text{tot}}^2 = \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x} \left\{ -\frac{9}{2} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} C_F \delta(1-x) + K_{\text{fin}}^{\text{eff}}(x) + P_{\text{fin}}^{\text{eff}}(x; \mu_F^2) \right\} |\mathcal{M}|_{\text{Born}}^2(x p_1)$$

$$K^{\text{eff}}(x) = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} C_F \left\{ \left(\frac{1+x^2}{1-x} \ln \frac{1-x}{x} \right)_+ + \frac{1}{2} \delta(1-x) + (1-x) - \frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{(1-x)_+} \right\}$$

DIS: Nagy Soper - real emission terms

Initial state real emission subtraction

$$D^{1,3} = \frac{4\pi\alpha_s}{xy\hat{p}_1 \cdot \hat{p}_i} C_F \left(1 - x - y + \frac{2\tilde{z}x}{v(1-x)+y} \right) |\mathcal{M}_{\text{Born}}(p)|^2$$

$$x = \frac{\hat{p}_o \cdot \hat{p}_4}{\hat{p}_i \cdot \hat{p}_1}, \quad y = \frac{\hat{p}_1 \cdot \hat{p}_3}{\hat{p}_1 \cdot \hat{p}_i}, \quad \tilde{z} = \frac{\hat{p}_1 \cdot \hat{p}_4}{\hat{p}_4 \cdot \hat{Q}}, \quad v = \frac{(\hat{p}_1 \cdot \hat{p}_i)(\hat{p}_3 \cdot \hat{p}_4)}{(\hat{p}_4 \cdot \hat{Q})(\hat{p}_3 \cdot \hat{Q})}$$

Initial state: mapping

$$p_1 = x\hat{p}_1, \quad p_i = \hat{p}_i, \quad p_{o,4}^\mu = \Lambda_{\nu}^{\mu}(\mathbf{K}, \hat{\mathbf{K}}) \hat{p}_{o,4}^\nu, \quad K = x\hat{p}_1 + \hat{p}_i, \quad \hat{K} = \hat{p}_1 + \hat{p}_i - \hat{p}_3$$

Final state real emission subtraction

$$D^{4,3} = \frac{4\pi\alpha_s C_F}{y(\hat{p}_i \cdot \hat{p}_1)} \left[\frac{y}{1-y} F_{\text{eik}} + z + 2 \frac{(1-v)(1-z(1-y))}{v[1-z(1-y)] + y[(1-y)\tilde{a} + 1]} \right] |\mathcal{M}_{\text{Born}}(p)|^2$$

$$y = \frac{\hat{p}_3 \cdot \hat{p}_4}{\hat{p}_1 \cdot \hat{p}_i}, \quad z = \frac{\hat{p}_3 \cdot \hat{p}_o}{\hat{p}_3 \cdot \hat{p}_o + \hat{p}_4 \cdot \hat{p}_o}, \quad v = \frac{\hat{p}_1 \cdot \hat{p}_3}{\hat{p}_1 \cdot \hat{p}_3 + \hat{p}_1 \cdot \hat{p}_4}, \quad F_{\text{eik}} = 2 \frac{(\hat{p}_3 \cdot \hat{p}_o)(\hat{p}_4 \cdot \hat{p}_o)}{(\hat{p}_3 \cdot \hat{Q})^2}$$

Final state: mapping

$$p_i = \hat{p}_i, \quad p_1 = \hat{p}_1, \quad p_4 = \frac{1}{1-y} [\hat{p}_3 + \hat{p}_4 - y(\hat{p}_1 + \hat{p}_i)], \quad p_o = \frac{\hat{p}_o}{1-y}$$