

# NNLO corrections in 4 dimensions

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- ➊ Four Dimensional Renormalization and the UV problem
- ➋ *NNLO corrections in 4 dimensions*  
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$$\int [d^4 q] \frac{1}{(\bar{q}^2 - M^2)^2} = -i\pi^2 \ln \frac{M^2}{\mu_R^2}$$

↑  
FDR integral

**Regularization and Renormalization at once**

It can be generalized to more loops (global- and sub-vacua appear)

# Examples of two-loop vacua

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# Two core tenets of QFT

## ① Gauge invariance

- FDR integrals are invariant under the shift  $q \rightarrow q + p \forall p$
- Cancellations if  $q^2 \xrightarrow{\text{GP}} \bar{q}^2$  in the numerator

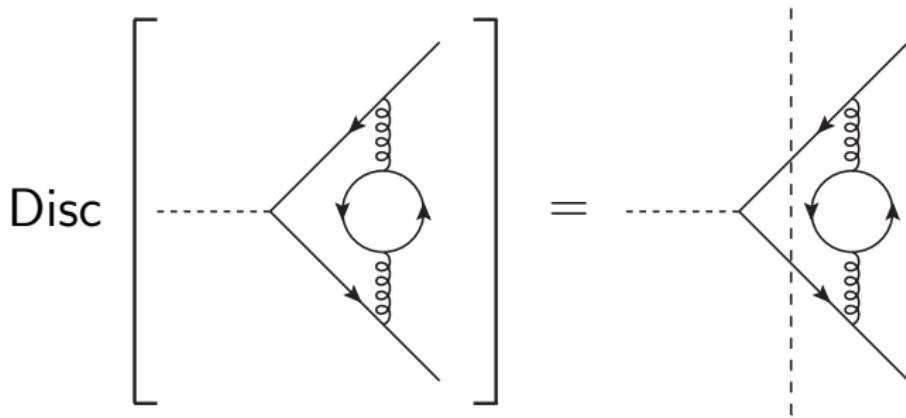
$$\int [d^4 q] \frac{\bar{q}^2}{\bar{q}^2(\bar{q}^2 - M^2)^2} = \int [d^4 q] \frac{1}{(\bar{q}^2 - M^2)^2}$$

⇒ One can prove graphical WI in QFT

## ② Unitarity of $S = I + iT$

- It requires  $i(T - T^\dagger) = -T^\dagger T$

⇒ The validity of the cutting equations must be enforced



### Sub-Integration Consistency (SIC)

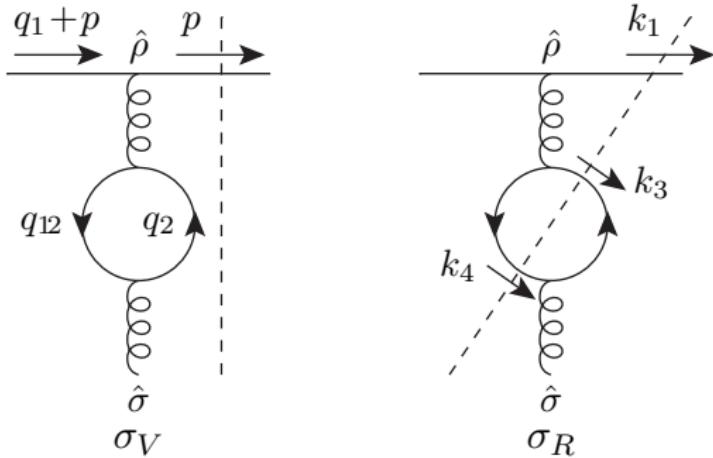
*In any multi-loop Feynman diagram the divergent sub-diagrams must be treated consistently with the lower loop calculations*

We know how to do it for off-shell amplitudes

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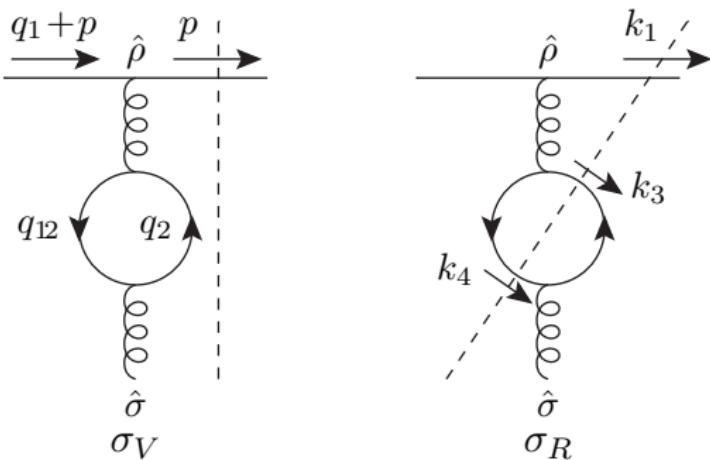
# Going on-shell

GP regulates IR divergent virtual cuts, but there are also real cuts:



$$\frac{1}{(\bar{q}_2^2 + i0^+)(\bar{q}_{12}^2 + i0^+)} \leftrightarrow \left( \frac{2\pi}{i} \right)^2 \delta_+(\bar{k}_3^2) \delta_+(\bar{k}_4^2)$$

The  $\bar{q}_2^2$  and  $\bar{q}_{12}^2$  propagators in  $\sigma_V$  must correspond to external particles in  $\sigma_R$  obeying  $k_{3,4}^2 = \mu^2$   $\Leftarrow$  regulates real cuts



SIC preserved by special treatment of external indices  $\hat{\rho}$  and  $\hat{\sigma}$  and by  $\bar{q}_1^2 \rightarrow q_1^2$  after subtracting the global vacuum. By doing that

*The gluon self-energy has the same form in one-loop, two-loop and cut loop pieces*

⇒ Unitarity

if vacuum subtraction does not interfere with cutting rules

But it doesn't, as under  $\int [d^4 q_1][d^4 q_2]$

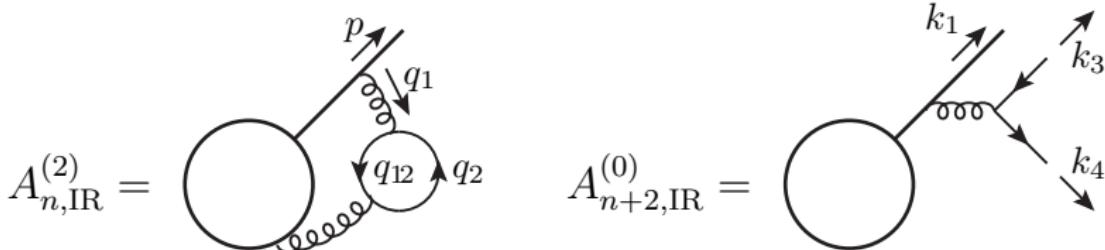
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$$\frac{1}{\bar{q}_2^2 \bar{q}_{12}^2} \simeq \frac{f^m}{\bar{q}_2^2 \bar{q}_{12}^2} \leftrightarrow \left( \frac{2\pi}{i} \right)^2 \delta_+(\bar{k}_3^2) \delta_+(\bar{k}_4^2) \mathbf{1}^m \Rightarrow$$

*FDR integrals are good objects for QFT calculations*

We have used FDR to compute

NNLO final-state quark-pair corrections in four dimensions



# Our observable

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_B &\propto \int d\Phi_n \sum_{\text{spin}} |A_n^{(0)}|^2 \\ \sigma_V &\propto \int d\Phi_n \sum_{\text{spin}} \left\{ A_n^{(2)} (A_n^{(0)})^* + A_n^{(0)} (A_n^{(2)})^* \right\} \\ \sigma_R &\propto \int d\Phi_{n+2} \sum_{\text{spin}} \left\{ A_{n+2}^{(0)} (A_{n+2}^{(0)})^* \right\}\end{aligned}$$

$$\sigma^{\textcolor{red}{NNLO}} = \sigma_B + \sigma_V + \sigma_R$$

In particular

$$\Gamma^{\textit{NNLO}}(H \rightarrow b\bar{b}) \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma_{\gamma^* \rightarrow \textit{jets}}^{\textit{NNLO}}$$

# Finite renormalization of $a = \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi}$ and $y_b$

$$a^0 = a \left( 1 + a \delta_a^{(1)} \right) \quad y_b^0 = y_b \left( 1 + a \delta_y^{(1)} + a^2 \left( \delta_y^{(2)} + \delta_a^{(1)} \delta_y^{(1)} \right) \right)$$

$$\delta_a^{(1)} = \frac{2}{3} N_F L$$

$$\delta_y^{(1)} = -C_F (3L'' + 5)$$

$$\delta_y^{(2)} = C_F N_F \left( L''^2 + \frac{13}{3} L'' + \frac{2}{3} \pi^2 + \frac{151}{18} \right)$$

$$L := \ln(\mu^2/s) \text{ and } L'' := \ln \frac{\mu^2}{m^2}$$

Renormalization of  $y_b$  from bottom quark pole mass

$$\frac{1}{\not{p} - m^0 + \Sigma^{(1)} + \Sigma^{(2)}}$$

$$\Gamma^{\text{NNLO}}(y_b) = \Gamma_2^{(0)}(y_b) + \delta\Gamma^{N_F}$$

- $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  up to two loops
- $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}g$  at the tree level       $\delta\Gamma^{N_F} = \Gamma_2^{N_F} + \Gamma_3^{N_F} + \Gamma_4^{N_F}$
- $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}q\bar{q}$  at the tree level

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma_2^{N_F} &= \Gamma_2^0(y_b)a^2 2\Re e \left( \delta V_2^{(2)} + \delta_a^{(1)} \delta V_2^{(1)} + \delta_y^{(2)} + \delta_a^{(1)} \delta_y^{(1)} \right) \\ \Gamma_3^{N_F} &= a^2 \delta_a^{(1)} \Gamma_2^0(y_b) C_F (2L^2 + 6L + K_3) \\ \Gamma_4^{N_F} &= a^2 C_F N_F \Gamma_2^{(0)}(y_b) \frac{4}{9} \left\{ -L^3 - \frac{19}{2} L^2 - L \left( \frac{155}{3} - 2\pi^2 \right) + K_4 \right\}\end{aligned}$$

- $\delta V_2^{(1,2)}$  from loops and  $L$  from phase space integration
- Tree and 1-loop pieces do not change embedded in 2-loops

Collecting all pieces gives an IR finite result ( $s = M_H^2$ )

$$\Gamma^{\text{NNLO}}(y_b) = \Gamma_2^{(0)}(y_b) \left\{ 1 + a^2 C_F N_F \left( 2 \ln^2 \frac{m^2}{s} - \frac{26}{3} \ln \frac{m^2}{s} + 8\zeta_3 + 2\pi^2 - \frac{62}{3} \right) \right\}$$

Using the relation between  $m$  and  $m^{\overline{\text{MS}}}(s)$  one reabsorbs the large logarithms of the ratio  $m^2/s$  in a new Yukawa coupling  $y_b^{\overline{\text{MS}}}(s)$

$$\Gamma^{\text{NNLO}}(y_b^{\overline{\text{MS}}}(s)) = \Gamma_2^{(0)}(y_b^{\overline{\text{MS}}}(s)) \left\{ 1 + a^2 C_F N_F \left( 8\zeta_3 + \frac{2}{3}\pi^2 - \frac{65}{2} \right) \right\}$$

which coincides with the known  $\overline{\text{MS}}$  result

$$\sigma_{\gamma^* \rightarrow \text{jets}}^{\text{NNLO}} = \sigma_2^{(0)} + \delta\sigma^{N_F}$$

- *Renormalization only involves  $\alpha_S$*
- *Higher rank tensors contribute*
- *Preserving gauge cancellations and unitarity in such an environment provides a more stringent test for our procedures*  
 $\Rightarrow \gamma^* \rightarrow \text{jets}$  *is complementary to  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b} + \text{jets}$*

Gathering all the pieces we reproduce the  $\overline{\text{MS}}$  result

$$\sigma_{e^+ e^- \rightarrow \text{jets}}^{\text{NNLO}} = \sigma_2^{(0)} \left\{ 1 + a^2 C_F N_F (8\zeta_3 - 11) \right\}$$

# Conclusions I

FDR provides a fully four-dimensional framework to compute NNLO quark-pair corrections

- No (explicit or implicit) UV counterterms have to be included in the Lagrangian
- Lower-order substructures are used in higher-order calculations without any modification  
⇒ better organization of the perturbative approach
- Renormalization is equivalent to the process of expressing (finite) bare parameters in terms of measurable observables

## Conclusions II

We considered a special class of NNLO corrections but we believe that the basic principles will remain valid also when considering more complicated environments (including ISR)

The intrinsic four-dimensionality of FDR can pave the way to new numerical methods, e.g.

- *infrared divergences in the real component directly show up in terms of logarithms of a small cut-off parameter  $\mu$ , with no need for a prior subtraction of  $1/(d - 4)$  poles*  
⇒ slicing subtraction out of the box
- *one-to-one integrand correspondences can be written down between virtual and real contributions* ⇒ local subtraction

**There is room for fully exploiting the potential of FDR in NNLO calculations**

# Backup slides

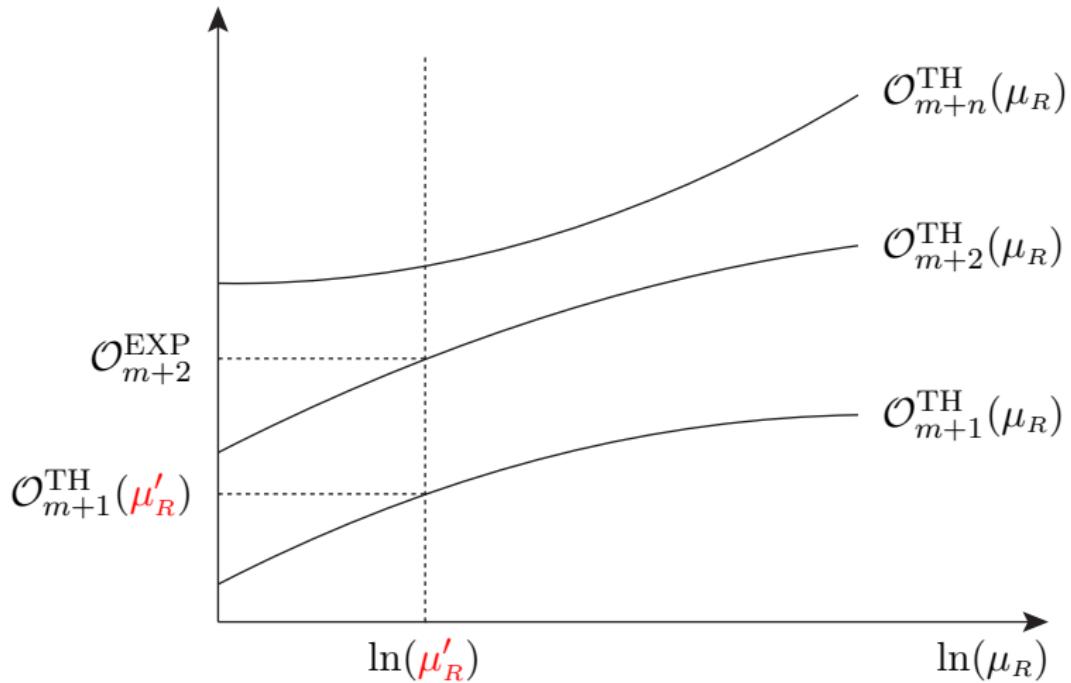
# A two-loop example

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{1}{\bar{D}_1 \bar{D}_2 \bar{D}_{12}} = \left[ \frac{1}{\bar{q}_1^2 \bar{q}_2^2 \bar{q}_{12}^2} \right] \quad (\bar{D}_i := \bar{q}_i^2 - m_i^2) \\
 + & m_1^2 \left[ \frac{1}{\bar{q}_1^4 \bar{q}_2^2 \bar{q}_{12}^2} \right] + \frac{m_1^4}{(\bar{D}_1 \bar{q}_1^4)} \left[ \frac{1}{\bar{q}_2^4} \right] - m_1^4 \frac{q_1^2 + 2(q_1 \cdot q_2)}{(\bar{D}_1 \bar{q}_1^4) \bar{q}_2^4 \bar{q}_{12}^2} \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

# Three-loop logarithmic vacua

$$\left[ \frac{1}{\bar{q}_1^2 \bar{q}_2^2 \bar{q}_3^2 \bar{q}_{12}^2 \bar{q}_{13}^2 ((q_2 - q_3)^2 - \mu^2)} \right]$$
$$\left[ \frac{1}{\bar{q}_1^2 \bar{q}_3^2 \bar{q}_2^4 \bar{q}_{12}^2 \bar{q}_{23}^2} \right]$$
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$$\left[ \frac{1}{\bar{q}_1^6 \bar{q}_2^2 \bar{q}_3^2 \bar{q}_{123}^2} \right]$$

# Fitting $\mu_R$ in non-renormalizable QFTs



# The virtual master integrals

$$\tilde{I}_j := s^{2-j} \frac{i}{\pi^2} \int_0^1 dx \left( \frac{1}{x} - 3 + 4x^2 \right) \int d^4 q_1 \frac{(q_1 \cdot p_1)^{j-1}}{D_0 D_1 D_2}$$

$$D_0 := q_1^2 - \mu_0^2, \quad \mu_0^2 := \frac{\mu^2}{x(1-x)}$$

$$D_1 := (q_1 + p_1)^2 - \mu^2$$

$$D_2 := (q_1 + p_2)^2 - \mu^2$$

# The real integrals

$$w(\mu^2) = \left(1 + 2\frac{\mu^2}{s_{34}}\right)$$

$$\tilde{R}_1 := \frac{1}{s\pi^3} \int d^4\tilde{\Phi}_4 w(\mu^2) \frac{1}{s_{134}}$$

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