

Theory summary

SM: Loops and Multilegs Working Group

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Overview

Loops and Multilegs theory projects at Les Houches 2015

- comparison of NLO EW automated calculations
- high-precision wishlist
- propagation of NNLO results

More experimentally oriented projects

see experimental summary by Joey Huston

Many additional benefits of Les Houches 2015

- numerous fruitful bilateral discussions
between theorists and experimentalists
between theorists and theorists
⇒ triggers for future work

Outline

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Automation of NLO corrections

- **NLO QCD corrections:** full automation established
various codes: GOSAM, HELAC-NLO,
MADGRAPH5_AMC@NLO, OPENLOOPS, ...
- **NLO EW corrections:** automated tools being developed
full automation available soon

automated tools for electroweak corrections

tool	collaboration	publ. applications
GOSAM	Cullen et al.	
HELAC-NLO?	Bevilacqua et al.	
MADGRAPH5_AMC@NLO	Frixione et al.	$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} + \{H, Z, W\}$
OPENLOOPS	Cascioli et al.	$pp \rightarrow W^+ \leq 3j$
RECOLA	Actis et al.	$pp \rightarrow jjl^+l^-$

Technical comparisons of EW corrections

- only few calculations with automated tools available
- codes do not yet work out of the box

⇒ perform comparisons with three existing calculations from different groups

plan for comparisons (coordination A. Denner)

process	publication	collaboration
$pp \rightarrow l^+ l^- jj$	arXiv:1411.0916	RECOLA
$pp \rightarrow l \nu jj$	arXiv:1412.5157	OPENLOOPS
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}H$	arXiv:1504.03446	MADGRAPH5_AMC@NLO
parameters and setup as in publications (see also wiki)		

at least one group volunteered to compare to each calculation

arXiv:1412.5157: contains $pp \rightarrow Wjj$ for on-shell W bosons

OPENLOOPS will provide off-shell calculation

Sudakov approximation

Enhancement of EW corrections by Sudakov logarithms

- EW corrections involve Sudakov logarithms
 $\propto (\alpha / \sin \theta_w^2) \ln^2(E^2 / M_W^2)$
- \Rightarrow EW corrections of $\mathcal{O}(10\% - 40\%)$ in TeV range
(tails of distributions/highly boosted events)
 \Rightarrow EW NNLO effects relevant
- corrections from leading double logarithms negative
- extensive literature on EW Sudakov corrections
at NLO, NNLO, resummation via evolution equations
M. Ciafaloni, P. Ciafaloni, Comelli; Beccaria, Renard, Verzegnassi; Beenakker, Werthenbach;
Denner, Pozzorini; Melles; Fadin, Lipatov, Martin; Hori, Kawamura, Kodaira;
Jantzen, Kühn, Penin, Smirnov; Chiu, Fuhrer, Golf, Kelley, Manohar, ...
- most papers focus on virtual corrections
- real W/Z emission via (tree-level) multipurpose MC codes

Sudakov approximation for EW NLO corrections

approximation of NLO EW corrections by Sudakov logarithms

- much simpler than full NLO EW
- complete set of formulas for virtual NLO Sudakov logarithms for arbitrary processes (not mass-suppressed) available Denner, Pozzorini '01
- valid only in Sudakov regime:
all invariants must be large $s, |t|, \dots \gg M_W^2$
- constant corrections of $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$ not included
 \Rightarrow accuracy at best few per cent
- effects of photon radiation must be added independently
- other sources of enhancement can give large effects

\Rightarrow assess quality of approximation by comparison to full calculations

Comparison of full NLO with Sudakov approximation

Available tools for Sudakov approximation

- SHERPA (contact: Jennifer Thomson)
- Mauro Chiesa, Fulvio Piccinini et al. for W/Z + jets (implemented in ALPGEN)

plan: compare Sudakov approximation to exact EW NLO corrections for distributions

planned comparisons

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distributions in publications and possibly additional ones

Study of cross-section ratio for $Z/\gamma^* + \text{jets}$ and $\gamma + \text{jets}$

project in collaboration with Tools and Monte-Carlos WG
proposal and coordination: **Vitaliano Ciulli (CMS)**

plan: comparison to CMS results of arXiv.1505.06250
for $\sigma(pp \rightarrow Z/\gamma^* + \text{jets})/\sigma(pp \rightarrow \gamma + \text{jets})$

- in Sudakov approximation
- with exact NLO EW corrections
- including QCD/QED shower corrections
- Rivet analysis being prepared (V. Ciulli)

Contributors

- SHERPA (contact: Jennifer Thomson)
- Mauro Chiesa, Fulvio Piccinini et al.
- OPENLOOPS (contact: Jonas Lindert)

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Evolution of wishlist

History of wishlist

- Les Houches 2005: **construction of NLO QCD wishlist**
- amended at Les Houches 2007 and 2009
- Les Houches 2011: progress in NLO automation
⇒ no need for NLO wishlist
instead: **NNLO wishlist** with few processes of high priority
- Les Houches 2013: **ambitious high-precision wishlist**
including NNLO (N^3 LO) QCD, NLO EW, resummation

Les Houches 2015

- NLO EW automation upcoming
- large progress in NNLO QCD calculation
(example: N-jettiness subtraction ⇒ **talk by Petriello**)

LH13 wishlist : Higgs and related

Process	State of the Art	Desired
H	$d\sigma$ @ NNLO QCD (expansion in $1/m_t$) full m_t/m_b dependence @ NLO QCD and @ NLO EW NNLO+PS, in the $m_t \rightarrow \infty$ limit	$d\sigma$ @ NNNLO QCD (infinite- m_t limit) full m_t/m_b dependence @ NNLO QCD and @ NNLO QCD+EW NNLO+PS with finite top quark mass effects
H + j	$d\sigma$ @ NNLO QCD (g only) and finite-quark-mass effects @ LO QCD and LO EW	$d\sigma$ @ NNLO QCD (infinite- m_t limit) and finite-quark-mass effects @ NLO QCD and NLO EW
H + 2j	$\sigma_{\text{tot}}(\text{VBF})$ @ NNLO(DIS) QCD $d\sigma(\text{VBF})$ @ NLO EW $d\sigma(\text{gg})$ @ NLO QCD (infinite- m_t limit) and finite-quark-mass effects @ LO QCD	$d\sigma(\text{VBF})$ @ NNLO QCD + NLO EW $d\sigma(\text{gg})$ @ NNLO QCD (infinite- m_t limit) and finite-quark-mass effects @ NLO QCD and NLO EW
H + V	$d\sigma$ @ NNLO QCD $d\sigma$ @ NLO EW $\sigma_{\text{tot}}(\text{gg})$ @ NLO QCD (infinite- m_t limit)	with H \rightarrow bb @ same accuracy $d\sigma(\text{gg})$ @ NLO QCD with full m_t/m_b dependence
tH and \bar{t} H	$d\sigma(\text{stable top})$ @ LO QCD	$d\sigma(\text{top decays})$ @ NLO QCD and NLO EW
ttH	$d\sigma(\text{stable tops})$ @ NLO QCD	$d\sigma(\text{top decays})$ @ NLO QCD and NLO EW
gg \rightarrow HH	$d\sigma$ @ NLO QCD (leading m_t dependence) $d\sigma$ @ NNLO QCD (infinite- m_t limit)	$d\sigma$ @ NLO QCD with full m_t/m_b dependence

LH13 wishlist : Higgs and related

Anastasiou, Duhr, Dulat, Herzog,
Mistlberger 1503.06056

and @ NNLO EW
NNLO+PS, in the $m_t \rightarrow \infty$ limit
@ NNLO QCD (infinite- m_t limit)

Hamilton, Nason, Re, Zanderighi 1309.0017
Hamilton, Nason, Zanderighi 1501.04637

$d\sigma(gg) @$ NLO QCD (infinite- m_t limit)
and finite-quark-mass effects
@ NLO QCD and NLO EW

Boughezhal, Focke, Giele, Liu,
Petriello 1505.03893

Boughezhal, Caola, Melnikov,
Petriello, Schulze 1504.07922

gg only : Chen, Glover, Gehrmann,
Jaquier 1408.5325

$d\sigma @$ NNLO QCD (infinite- m_t limit)

Desired

$d\sigma @$ NNNLO QCD (infinite- m_t limit)
full m_t/m_b dependence @ NNLO QCD
and @ NNLO QCD+EW

NNLO+PS with finite top quark mass effects
 $d\sigma @$ NNLO QCD (infinite- m_t limit)

and finite-quark-mass effects
@ NLO QCD and NLO EW
 $d\sigma(\text{VBF}) @$ NNLO QCD + NLO EW

$d\sigma(gg) @$ NNLO QCD (infinite- m_t limit)
and finite-quark-mass effects
@ NLO QCD and NLO EW
with $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ @ same accuracy
 $d\sigma(gg) @$ NLO QCD
with full m_t/m_b dependence

$d\sigma(\text{top decays}) @$ NLO QCD and NLO EW

$d\sigma(\text{top decays}) @$ NLO QCD and NLO EW

$d\sigma @$ NLO QCD
with full m_t/m_b dependence

automated NLO
e.g. aMC@NLO_MG5

finite top mass corrections at NNLO still challenging

Les Houches 2015 wishlist

⇒ revision of wishlist required

Wishlist is useful!

- provides snapshot of state-of-the-art
- prioritizes required theoretical calculations
- supports funding applications

Aims

- update the 2013 wishlist to include current state-of-the-art
- attempt to quantify the necessary precision for LHC13 processes considering specific observables
- identify key measurements and priorities

Results of discussion of wishlist

Request

- wiki contains first results from discussions at Les Houches
- theorists and in particular experimentalists are encouraged to update the wiki page
- would be very nice to have precision requirements for physical observables from experimentalists

General aspects

- specify the details of top decays: NWA, pole approximation
- should more processes be requested at NNLO + PS?

Input/questions for wishlist I

H + jets

- Higgs p_T : resummation of NNLO needed (N^3LL)
- jet veto: NNLO + resummation needed
- how important is full m_t/m_b dependence at NNLO?
in particular for boosted Higgs analyses, high p_T
- full m_b dependence more important for top/bottom interference at NNLO?
- QED \times QCD at NNLO, accuracy of factorized ansatz?
state of the art for high p_T , boosted analyses?
estimates of missing corrections?
- accuracy of boosted Higgs analyses for $t\bar{t}H$?

Input/questions for wishlist II

heavy quarks

- NNLO threshold resummation needed for top-mass measurements?

electroweak gauge bosons

- expected experimental accuracy for W mass measurements?
- resummation of $p_{T,W}$ at N³LL needed for W-mass measurements?
- N³LL resummation needed for p_T and jet vetos in WW production

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Propagation of NNLO results

Situation

- Complicated NNLO computations become available
- high CPU cost for generating events

Question

- How can the results of precision calculations efficiently be made available for flexible experimental analysis?

Options

- N tuples
- histograms
- HepMC format (as input for Rivet)

Quantifying cost of NNLO computations

planned investigation managed by Simon Badger

Attempt to compare CPU time / number of weighted events for sensible distributions for various components in

- $H + j$ with sector decomposition improved FKS subtraction
- $H + j/W + j$ with N -jettiness subtraction
- $H + j$ at NLO for low p_T (0.5 GeV) with SHERPA (as a contribution to inclusive Higgs)
- $WW/ZZ/Z\gamma/W\gamma/\gamma\gamma$ with q_T subtraction
- di-jets/ $e^+e^- \rightarrow 3j$ with antenna subtraction
Glover/Gehrmann et al.
- $t\bar{t}$ with STRIPPER Czakon/Mitov et al.

try to estimate size of a basic root N -tuple format in these cases

Root Ntuples at NNLO

within the q_T/N jetiness subtraction methods one
can estimate the size of storing events using NLO + 1j

contribution from Marek Schönherr

e.g. incl. H at NNLO (H+j at NLO with SHERPA)

estimated number of events to
reach target accuracy of 0.1%

$$\sigma^{\text{NNLO}} = 44 \text{ pb}$$

$q_{T,\text{cut}}$	α -dipole	#events	Ntuple size	$\sigma(q_T > q_{T,\text{cut}})$
0.5	0.007	1.6×10^9	1.6 GB	-5.9 pb
1	0.007	0.8×10^9	0.8 GB	34.0 pb
1	1	0.4×10^9	0.4 GB	35.4 pb
2	0.007	0.4×10^9	0.4 GB	49.5 pb

convergence
improved by
tuning the phase
space occupied by
the counter-terms
(α -dipole)

more stable
for $q_T \sim 1\text{-}2 \text{ GeV}$

NNLO N -tuple test case

Detailed study of N tuples for NNLO case

$e^+e^- \rightarrow 3 \text{ jets}$ with EERAD3

implement N tuples and investigate

- required event number / storage size
- appropriate format
- reweighting procedure for different scales

task force: Gudrun Heinrich, Daniel Maitre, Simon Badger

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Summary

Described three Loops and Multilegs TH projects for Les Houches 2015

- comparison of NLO EW automated calculations
- update and priorities of high-precision wishlist
- study options for propagation of NNLO results

other Loops and Multilegs TH projects started here

- comparison of scale choices at fixed order for $W + \text{jets}$
MINLO vs. $H_T/2$
Simon Badger, Daniel Maitre
- comparison of NNLO vs. LoopSim for $W + \text{jets}$
Daniel Maitre, Frank Petriello

Summary continued

much more work needed for LHC13:

higher-order QCD: see introductory talk of Simon Badger

- NNLO beyond 2 \rightarrow 3 requires a lot of work
- comparison between fixed order NNLO and NLO MC techniques

electroweak corrections

- combination with NNLO,... QCD corrections
- matching to parton showers including QED effects
- EW effects in PDFs (NNPDF2.3QED, other sets to come)
- NNLO QCD \times EW and NNLO EW corrections for precision observables
- treatment of final-state photons (see also subgroup: photon studies for direct photon measurements)