# Calculating one loop amplitudes efficiently 

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## Introduction

Fully automated cross section calculations for LHC in SM and BSM

$$
\text { ALPGEN, MADGRAPH,COMIX }, \ldots \quad d \sigma_{n}^{(0)} \approx\left|M_{n}^{(0)}\right|^{2} d \Phi_{n-2}, \quad \mathrm{n}=3 \ldots 12, \ldots
$$

\& At LHC tree level is not enough, NLO precision is mandatory

of Color-dressed formulation of the D-dimensional generalized unitarity and testing its efficiency by calculating $M_{n}^{(1)}, \mathrm{n}=4, \ldots . .12$ (gluons)
\% Recursive calculation of three amplitudes with slight deformation of the momenta of two external legs (complex, D-dimensional, also for spin)
\& Calculation of loop amplitudes from tree amplitudes

## The Unitarity Method: efficient P(E)-algorithm at NLO

Gauge theory one-loop amplitudes from tree amplitudes many analytic results, with applications to collider physics Bern,Dixon, Kosower, 1994-2007,...

Generalized cuts, box coefficients Britto, Cachazo, Feng 2004 Recursion relations for the rational parts Beger et.al. 2005

Parametric integration method of Ossola, Papadopoulos, Pittau (2006)
Numerical algorithmic implementation of generalized unitarity Ellis, Giele, ZK (2007) Generalized D-dimensional unitarity Giele, ZK, Melnikov (2008), Numerical algorithmic implementation by Black Hat Collaboration (2008)

Explicit NLO generators for calculating NLO cross-sections of 6-leg process for LHC and Tevatron Ellis,Melnikov,Zanderighi; BlackHatCollaboration; van Hameren et.al., Bevilaqua (2009)

Complementary analytic methods Badger (2008), Mastrolia (2009) Independent numerical implementations (Giele, Winter (2008), Lazoploulos (2008), etc)

## D-Dimensional unitarity method

## for color and flavor ordered primitive amplitude



$$
\mathcal{N}^{\left(D_{s}\right)}(l)=\mathcal{N}_{0}(l)+\left(D_{s}-4\right) \mathcal{N}_{1}(l)
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left.\operatorname{Res}_{i j \cdots k}[F(l)] \equiv\left[d_{i}(l) d_{j}(l) \cdots d_{k}(l) F(l)\right]\right\rfloor_{l=l_{i j \cdots k}} \\
& \bar{d}_{i j k l}(l)=\operatorname{Res}_{i j k l}\left(\mathcal{A}_{N}(l)\right)=\sum A_{i} \times A_{j} \times A_{k} \times A_{l} \\
& \bar{c}_{i j k}(l)=\operatorname{Res}_{i j k}\left(\mathcal{A}_{N}(l)-\sum_{l \neq i, j, k} \frac{\bar{d}_{i j k l}(l)}{d_{i} d_{j} d_{k} d_{l}}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$



## Decomposition to color and flavor ordered primitive amplitudes is cumbersone



a)

proportional to n_f

Tree level: BG and BCFW recursion relations for colorless ordered amplitudes different color basis (T-basis, F-basis, mixed basis, color-flow basis)

One loop: Decomposition to color and flavor ordered primitive amplitudes

Difficulty: It becomes cumbersome for increasing number of flavor. No color ordering in QED, electroweak.

## All use color ordered and primitive amplitudes

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{B}^{1 \text { loop }}\left(1_{\bar{q}}, 2_{q}, 3_{\bar{Q}}, 4_{Q}, 5_{g}\right) & =g^{5}\left[N_{c}\left(T^{a_{5}}\right)_{i_{4}}^{\bar{\iota}_{1}} \delta_{i_{2}}^{\bar{\zeta}_{3}} \sqrt[B_{7 ; 1}]{ }+\left(T^{a_{5}}\right)_{i_{2}}^{\bar{\imath}_{1}} \delta_{i_{4}}^{\bar{\iota}_{3}} B_{7 ; 2}\right. \\
& \left.+N_{c}\left(T^{a_{5}}\right)_{i_{2}}^{\bar{\tau}_{3}} \delta_{i_{4}}^{\bar{\iota}_{1}} B_{7 ; 3}+\left(T^{a_{5}}\right)_{i_{4}}^{\bar{\tau}_{3}} \delta_{i_{2}}^{\bar{c}_{1}} B_{7 ; 4}\right]
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{align*}
B_{7,1}^{[1], a}= & \left(1-\frac{1}{N_{c}^{2}}\right) A_{L}^{[1], a}\left(1_{\bar{q}}, 2_{q}, 3_{\bar{Q}}, 4_{Q}, 5_{g}\right)-\frac{1}{N_{c}^{2}}\left(-A_{L}^{[1], a}\left(1_{\bar{q}}, 5_{g}, 2_{q}, 3_{\bar{Q}}, 4_{Q}\right)\right.  \tag{5.6}\\
& -A_{L}^{[1], a}\left(1_{\bar{q}}, 5_{g}, 2_{q}, 4_{Q}, 3_{\bar{Q}}\right)-A_{L}^{[1], a}\left(1_{\bar{q}}, 2_{q}, 5_{g}, 3_{\bar{Q}}, 4_{Q}\right)-A_{L}^{[1], a}\left(1_{\bar{q}}, 2_{q}, 5_{g}, 4_{Q}, 3_{\bar{Q}}\right) \\
& \left.-A_{L}^{[1], a}\left(1_{\bar{q}}, 2_{q}, 3_{\bar{Q}}, 5_{g}, 4_{Q}\right)-A_{L}^{[1], a}\left(1_{\bar{q}}, 2_{q}, 4_{Q}, 5_{g}, 3_{\bar{Q}}\right)+A_{L}^{[1], a}\left(1_{\bar{q}}, 2_{q}, 4_{Q}, 3_{\bar{Q}}, 5_{g}\right)\right), \\
B_{7 ; 2}^{[1], a}= & +A_{L}^{[1], a}\left(1_{\bar{q}}, 2_{q}, 5_{g}, 4_{Q}, 3_{\bar{Q}}^{[1], a}-A_{L}^{[1], a}\left(1_{\bar{q}}, 2_{q}, 4_{Q}, 5_{g}, 3_{\bar{Q}}\right)+A_{L}^{[1], a}\left(1_{\bar{q}}, 2_{q}, 4_{Q}, 3_{\bar{Q}}, 5_{g}\right)\right. \\
& -\frac{1}{N_{c}^{2}}\left(A_{L}^{[1], a}\left(1_{\bar{q}}, 5_{g}, 2_{q}, 3_{\bar{Q}}, 4_{Q}\right)+A_{L}^{[1], a}\left(1_{\bar{q}}, 5_{g}, 2_{q}, 4_{Q}, 3_{\bar{Q}}\right)\right),  \tag{5.7}\\
B_{7 ; 3}^{[1], a}= & \left(1-\frac{1}{N_{c}^{2}}\right) A_{L}^{[1], a}\left(1_{\bar{q}}, 2_{q}, 5_{g}, 3_{\bar{Q}}, 4_{Q}\right)-\frac{1}{N_{c}^{2}}\left(-A_{L}^{[1], a}\left(1_{\bar{q}}, 5_{g}, 2_{q}, 3_{\bar{Q}}, 4_{Q}\right)\right.  \tag{5.8}\\
& -A_{L}^{[1], a}\left(1_{\bar{q}}, 5_{g}, 2_{q}, 4_{Q}, 3_{\bar{Q}}\right)-A_{L}^{[1], a}\left(1_{\bar{q}}, 2_{q}, 3_{\bar{Q}}, 5_{g}, 4_{Q}\right)-A_{L}^{[1], a}\left(1_{\bar{q}}, 2_{q}, 4_{Q}, 5_{g}, 3_{\bar{Q}}^{[1], 8)}\right. \\
& \left.-A_{L}^{[1], a}\left(1_{\bar{q}}, 2_{q}, 3_{\bar{Q}}, 4_{Q}, 5_{g}\right)-A_{L}^{[1], a}\left(1_{\bar{q}}, 2_{q}, 4_{Q}, 3_{\bar{Q}}, 5_{g}\right)+A_{L}^{[1], a}\left(1_{\bar{q}}, 2_{q}, 5_{g}, 4_{Q}, 3_{\bar{Q}}\right)\right),
\end{align*}
$$

## Dressed recursive technique for tree amplitudes

Draggiotis, Kleiss, Papadopoulos, Duhr, Maltoni, Comix:Gleisberg, Hoche

Monte-Carlo sampling over flavor, helicity, color, momentum quantum numbers of external sources

$$
\mathbf{f}_{i}^{(r)}=\left\{f_{i}, h_{f_{i}}, C_{f_{i}}, K_{i}\right\}^{(r)},
$$

$d \sigma_{L O}\left(f_{1} f_{2} \rightarrow f_{3} \cdots f_{n}\right)=$

$$
\frac{W_{S}}{N_{\text {event }}} \times \sum_{r=1}^{N_{\text {event }}} d P S^{(r)}\left(K_{1} K_{2} \rightarrow K_{3} \cdots K_{n}\right)\left|\mathcal{M}^{(0)}\left(\mathbf{f}_{1}^{(r)}, \mathbf{f}_{2}^{(r)}, \ldots, \mathbf{f}_{n}^{(r)}\right)\right|^{2}
$$

$$
\mathcal{M}^{(0)}\left(\mathbf{f}_{1}, \ldots, \mathbf{f}_{n}\right)=P^{-1}\left[J\left(\mathbf{f}_{1}, \ldots, \mathbf{f}_{n-1}\right), J\left(\mathbf{f}_{n}\right)\right]
$$

Recursion relations are defined in terms of currents with $\mathrm{n}-1$ on-shell external legs and one off-shell leg

$$
\begin{aligned}
P\left[J\left(\{\mathbf{f}\}_{\pi_{1}}\right), J\left(\{\mathbf{f}\}_{\pi_{2}}\right)\right] & =\sum_{\mathbf{g}_{1} \mathbf{g}_{2}} J_{\mathbf{g}_{1}}\left(\{\mathbf{f}\}_{\pi_{1}}\right) P^{\mathbf{g}_{1} \mathbf{g}_{2}}\left(K_{\pi_{1}}\right) J_{\mathbf{g}_{2}}\left(\{\mathbf{f}\}_{\pi_{2}}\right) \\
\mathbf{g} & =\left\{g, L_{g}, C_{g}, K_{g}\right\}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Generic recursion with generic vertices for tree amplitudes



Vertices:
$D_{\mathbf{g}_{1} \cdots \mathrm{~g}_{k}}\left(Q_{1}, \ldots, Q_{k}\right)=D_{g_{1}, \ldots g_{k} ; C_{g_{1}} \cdots, C_{g_{k}}}^{L_{g_{1}} \cdots L_{g_{k}}}\left(Q_{1}, \ldots, Q_{k}\right)$.
$D_{\mathbf{g}}\left[J\left(\mathbf{f}\left(\pi_{1}\right)\right), \ldots, J\left(\mathbf{f}\left(\pi_{k}\right)\right)\right]=\sum_{\mathbf{g}_{1} \cdots \mathbf{g}_{\mathbf{k}}} D_{\mathbf{g g}_{1} \cdots \mathbf{g}_{\mathbf{k}}}\left(-K_{\Pi_{k}}, K_{\pi_{1}}, \ldots, K_{\pi_{k}}\right) \times J^{\mathbf{g}_{1}}\left(\mathbf{f}_{\pi_{1}}\right) \times \cdots \times J^{\mathbf{g}_{\mathbf{k}}}\left(\mathbf{f}_{\pi_{k}}\right)$

$$
\Pi_{k}=\bigcup_{i=1}^{k} \pi_{i}
$$

BG recursion relations:

$$
\begin{gathered}
J_{\mathbf{g}}\left(\mathbf{f}_{i}\right)=\delta^{g f_{i}} \delta^{C_{g} C_{f_{i}}} S_{f_{i} L_{g}}^{h_{f_{i}} C_{f_{i}}}\left(K_{i}\right) . \\
J_{\mathbf{g}}\left(\mathbf{f}_{1}, \ldots, \mathbf{f}_{n}\right)=\sum_{k=2}^{V_{\max }-1} \sum_{P_{\pi_{1} \cdots \pi_{k}}(1, \ldots, n)}^{\mathcal{S}_{2}(n, k)} P_{\mathbf{g}}\left[D\left[J\left(\mathbf{f}_{\pi_{1}}\right), \ldots, J\left(\mathbf{f}_{\pi_{k}}\right)\right]\right],
\end{gathered}
$$

all possible partions of n particle into k subsets is given by the Stirling number of second kind $S_{2}(n, k)$.

## Color-flow notation

$$
|\mathcal{M}|^{2}=\mathcal{M}^{a} \delta_{a b}\left(\mathcal{M}^{b}\right)^{\dagger}=\mathcal{M}^{a} T_{i j}^{a} T_{j i}^{b}\left(\mathcal{M}^{b}\right)^{\dagger}=\mathcal{M}_{i j} \mathcal{M}_{j i}^{\dagger} .
$$

## Vertices

$$
\begin{aligned}
D_{\mathbf{g}_{1} \mathbf{g}_{2} \mathbf{g}_{3}}\left(K_{1}, K_{2}, K_{3}\right) & =\left(\delta_{j_{2}}^{i_{1}} \delta_{j_{3}}^{i_{2}} \delta_{j_{1}}^{i_{3}}-\delta_{j_{3}}^{i_{1}} \delta_{j_{1}}^{i_{2}} \delta_{j_{2}}^{i_{3}}\right) \widehat{V}_{3}^{\mu_{1} \mu_{2} \mu_{3}}\left(K_{1}, K_{2}, K_{3}\right), \\
\widehat{V}_{3}^{\mu_{1} \mu_{2} \mu_{3}}\left(K_{1}, K_{2}, K_{3}\right) & =\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\left(\left(K_{1}-K_{2}\right)^{\mu_{3}} g^{\mu_{1} \mu_{2}}+\left(K_{2}-K_{3}\right)^{\mu_{1}} g^{\mu_{2} \mu_{3}}+\left(K_{3}-K_{1}\right)^{\mu_{2}} g^{\mu_{3} \mu_{1}}\right) . \\
D_{\mathbf{g}_{1} g_{2} g_{3} \mathbf{g}_{4}}=D_{i_{1} j_{1} i_{2} j_{2} i_{3} j_{3} i_{4} j_{4}}^{\mu_{1} \mu_{2} \mu_{4}} & =\sum_{C(234)}\left(\delta_{j_{2}}^{i_{1}} \delta_{j_{3}}^{i_{2}} \delta_{j_{4}}^{i_{3}} \delta_{j_{1}}^{i_{4}}+\delta_{j_{4}}^{i_{1}} i_{j_{1}}^{i_{2}} j_{j_{2}}^{i_{3}} i_{j_{3}}^{i_{4}}\right) \widehat{V}_{4}^{\mu_{1} \mu_{3} ; \mu_{2} \mu_{4}},
\end{aligned}
$$

BG recursion relations:


$$
\begin{aligned}
P_{\mathbf{g}}\left[D\left[J\left(\mathbf{f}_{\pi_{1}}\right), J\left(\mathbf{f}_{\pi_{2}}\right)\right]\right] & =\frac{1}{K_{\Pi_{2}}^{2}} D_{s_{1} \mu s_{2}}^{i ; I ; j} \times J_{s_{1}}^{i}\left(\mathbf{f}_{\pi_{1}}\right) \times J_{s_{2}}^{j}\left(\mathbf{f}_{\pi_{2}}\right) \\
& +\frac{1}{K_{\Pi_{2}}^{2}} D_{\mu \mu_{1} \mu_{2}}^{I J ; i_{1} j_{1} ; i_{2} j_{2}}\left(-K_{\pi_{1} \cup \pi_{2}}, K_{\pi_{1}}, K_{\pi_{2}}\right) \times J_{i_{1} j_{1}}^{\mu_{1}}\left(\mathbf{f}_{\pi_{1}}\right) \times J_{i_{2} j_{2}}^{\mu_{2}}\left(\mathbf{f}_{\pi_{2}}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

The full color configuration of the event is expressed by $\left\{(i j)_{m}\right\}_{m=1}^{n}$ where $i_{m}$ and $j_{m}$ each denote a color state out of three possible ones that can be labeled $\{1,2,3\}$.

Naive:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& N_{\mathrm{col}}^{\mathrm{Naive}}=9^{n} \quad W_{\mathrm{col}}^{\text {Naive }}=1 \\
& \exists c \in\{1,2,3\}: \sum_{m=1}^{n}\left(\delta_{i_{m}, c}-\delta_{j_{m}, c}\right) \neq 0
\end{aligned}
$$

Conserved:

$$
\begin{aligned}
N_{\mathrm{col}}^{\text {Conserved }} & =\sum_{n_{1}, n_{2}, n_{3}=0}^{n} \delta_{n_{1}+n_{2}+n_{3}, n}\left(\frac{n!}{n_{1}!n_{2}!n_{3}!}\right)^{2} \\
W_{\text {col }}^{\text {Conserved }} & =3^{n} \frac{n!}{n_{1}!n_{2}!n_{3}!} .
\end{aligned}
$$

Non-zero:

Color sampling for n-gluon scattering

| Scattering | Naive | Conserved | Non-Zero |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $2 \rightarrow 2$ | 6,561 | 639 | 378 |
| $2 \rightarrow 3$ | 59,049 | 4,653 | 3,180 |
| $2 \rightarrow 4$ | 531,441 | 35,169 | 27,240 |
| $2 \rightarrow 5$ | $4,782,969$ | 272,835 | 231,672 |
| $2 \rightarrow 6$ | $43,046,721$ | $2,157,759$ | $1,949,178$ |
| $2 \rightarrow 7$ | $387,420,489$ | $17,319,837$ | $16,279,212$ |
| $2 \rightarrow 8$ | $3,486,784,401$ | $140,668,065$ | $135,526,716$ |

Time in secs to evaluate 10000 color-dressed tree amplitude

Scaling:

$$
T_{n}=\sum_{m=2}^{n-1}\binom{n-1}{m} \mathcal{S}_{2}(m, V-1)=\mathcal{S}_{2}(n, V) \sim V^{n}
$$

| Scattering | color ordered | color dressed <br> $\left(V_{\max }=4\right)$ | color dressed <br> $\left(V_{\max }=3\right)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $2 \rightarrow 2$ | $0.0313^{(5.40)}$ | $0.117^{(4.24)}$ | $0.083^{(3.93)}$ |
| $2 \rightarrow 3$ | $0.169^{(5.68)}$ | $0.495^{\left(4.37^{(3.93)}\right.}$ |  |
| $2 \rightarrow 4$ | $0.791^{(4.68)}$ | $1.556^{(3.14)}$ | $0.82^{(2.51)}$ |
| $2 \rightarrow 5$ | $3.706^{(4.69)}$ | $6.11^{(3.93)}$ | $2.66^{(3.23)}$ |
| $2 \rightarrow 6$ | $17.83^{(4.81)}$ | $25.26^{(4.13)}$ | $7.55^{(2.84)}$ |
| $2 \rightarrow 7$ | $99.79^{(5.60)}$ | $93.43^{(3.70)}$ | $24.9^{(3.30)}$ |
| $2 \rightarrow 8$ | $557.9^{(5.59)}$ | $392.4^{(4.20)}$ | $76.1^{(3.05)}$ |
| $2 \rightarrow 9$ | $2,979^{(5.34)}$ | $1,528^{(3.89)}$ | $228^{(2.99)}$ |
| $2 \rightarrow 10$ | $19,506^{(6.55)}$ | $5,996^{(3.92)}$ | 693 |
| $2 \rightarrow 11$ | $118,635^{(6.08)}$ | $24,821^{(4.14)}$ |  |
| $:$ |  | $\vdots$ |  |
| $2 \rightarrow 15$ |  | $6,248,300^{\left(3.98^{4}\right)}$ |  |

## Dressed recursive technique for one-loop amplitudes

Monte-Carlo sampling over quantum numbers of external sources

$$
\begin{aligned}
& d \sigma^{(V)}\left(f_{1} f_{2} \rightarrow f_{3} \cdots f_{n}\right)=\frac{W_{S}}{N_{\text {event }}} \times \sum_{k=1}^{N_{\text {event }}} d P S^{(k)}\left(K_{1} K_{2} \rightarrow K_{3} \cdots K_{n}\right) \\
& \quad 2 \Re\left(\mathcal{M}^{(0)}\left(\mathbf{f}_{1}^{(k)}, \ldots, \mathbf{f}_{n}^{(k)}\right)^{\dagger} \times \mathcal{M}^{(1)}\left(\mathbf{f}_{1}^{(k)}, \ldots, \mathbf{f}_{n}^{(k)}\right)\right) \\
& \mathcal{M}^{(1)}\left(\mathbf{f}_{1}, \ldots, \mathbf{f}_{n}\right)=\int \frac{d^{D} \ell}{(2 \pi)^{D}} \mathcal{A}^{(1)}\left(\mathbf{f}_{1}, \ldots, \mathbf{f}_{n} \mid \ell\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

Generalized OPP parametrization

$$
\begin{array}{r}
\mathcal{A}^{(1)}\left(\mathbf{f}_{1}, \ldots, \mathbf{f}_{n} \mid \ell\right)=\sum_{k=1}^{C_{\max }} \sum_{R P_{\pi_{1} \cdots \pi_{k}}(1,2, \ldots, n)}^{\max \left(1, \frac{1}{2}(k-1)!\right) \mathcal{S}_{2}(n, k)} \sum_{g_{\Pi_{1}}, \ldots, g_{\Pi_{k}}} \frac{\mathcal{P}_{k}\left(\vec{C}_{g_{\Pi_{1}} \cdots g_{\Pi_{k}}} \mid \ell\right)}{d_{g_{\Pi_{1}}}(\ell) d_{g_{\Pi_{2}}}(\ell) \cdots d_{g_{\Pi_{k}}}(\ell)} \\
\Pi_{k}=\bigcup_{i=1}^{k} \pi_{i}
\end{array}
$$



- Sum over ordered cuts changes to sum over partitions including non-cyclic, non-reflective premutations of the external partons
$\mathcal{A}^{(1)}\left(\mathbf{f}_{1}, \ldots, \mathbf{f}_{n} \mid \ell\right)=\sum_{k=1}^{C_{\max }} \sum_{R P_{\pi_{1}} \cdots \pi_{k}(1,2, \ldots, n)}^{\max \left(1, \frac{1}{2}(k-1)!\right) \mathcal{S}_{2}(n, k)} \sum_{g_{\Pi_{1}}, \ldots, g_{\Pi_{k}}} \frac{\mathcal{P}_{k}\left(\vec{C}_{g_{\Pi_{1}} \cdots g_{\Pi_{k}}} \mid \ell\right)}{d_{{\Pi_{\Pi}}^{\prime}}(\ell) d_{g_{\Pi_{2}}}(\ell) \cdots d_{g_{\Pi_{k}}}(\ell)}$,
- sum over the propagator flavors $g_{\Pi_{1}}, \ldots, g_{\Pi_{k}}$ is required as these are not uniquely defined for unordered amplitudes

Sum over ordered cuts changes to sum over partitions including non-cyclic, non-reflective premutations of the external partons

Number of the cuts is higher.
$\mathcal{A}^{(1)}\left(\mathbf{f}_{1}, \ldots, \mathbf{f}_{n} \mid \ell\right)=\sum_{k=1}^{C_{\max }} \sum_{R P_{\pi_{1} \cdots \pi_{k}}(1,2, \ldots, n)}^{\max \left(1, \frac{1}{2}(k-1)!\right) \mathcal{S}_{2}(n, k)} \sum_{g_{\Pi_{1}}, \ldots, g_{\Pi_{k}}} \frac{\mathcal{P}_{k}\left(\vec{C}_{g_{\Pi_{1}} \cdots g_{\Pi_{k}}} \mid \ell\right)}{d_{g_{\Pi_{1}}}(\ell) d_{g_{\Pi_{2}}}(\ell) \cdots d_{g_{\Pi_{k}}}(\ell)}$,

| Unordered cuts. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \# | pentagon cuts | box cuts | triangle cuts | bubble cuts | $\begin{array}{r} \operatorname{sum} \\ \equiv \text { total } \end{array}$ | $\frac{\operatorname{sum}_{n}}{\operatorname{sum}_{n-1}}$ | ordr total/unordr total |  |  |
| $n$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | orderings | $(a b)_{k}$ | $(c d)_{k}$ |
| 4 | 0 | 3 | 6 | 3 | 12 |  | 2.750 | 1.833 | 2.750 |
| 5 | 12 | 30 | 25 | 10 | 77 | 6.42 | 4.052 | 2.026 | 2.364 |
| 6 | 180 | 195 | 90 | 25 | 490 | 6.36 | 6.857 | 2.743 | 2.514 |
| 7 | 1,680 | 1,050 | 301 | 56 | 3,087 | 6.30 | 13.06 | 4.354 | 1.451 |
| 8 | 12,600 | 5,103 | 966 | 119 | 18,788 | 6.09 | 28.17 | 8.048 | 1.610 |
| 9 | 83,412 | 23,310 | 3,025 | 246 | 109,993 | 5.85 | 68.18 | 17.05 | 2.557 |
| 10 | 510,300 | 102,315 | 9,330 | 501 | 622,446 | 5.66 | 182.8 | 40.61 | 2.708 |
| 11 | 2,960,760 | 437,250 | 28,501 | 1,012 | 3,427,523 | 5.51 | 535.7 | 107.1 |  |
| 12 | 16,552,800 | 1,834,503 | 86,526 | 2,035 | 18,475,864 | 5.39 | 1699 | 308.9 |  |

$$
\frac{(n-1)!}{2} \rightarrow S_{2}(n, 5) \approx 5^{n}
$$

## C++ code for dressed amplitudes

$\square$Method is based on:

- Ellis, Giele, KZ, arXiv:0708.2398, 4D method, cut constructible part
- Giele, Melnikov, KZ. arXiv:0801.2237, arXiv:806.3467, D-Dim. method, full amplitude
- Giele, Zanderighi, arXiv:0805.2152, application of DD method to pure gluons
$\square$ Implemented algorithm based on previous implementation of ordered amplitudes Giele and Winter, arXiv:0902.0094
- New features:
- Sum over ordered cuts changes to sum over partitions including non-cyclic, non-reflective premutations of the external partons

- Residues are given by color dressed tree amplitudes and summed over internal color and spin
- Symmetry factor, e.g. 1/2 for bubble

$$
S_{\mathrm{MC}}^{(0)}=W_{\mathrm{col}}\left(n_{1}, n_{2}, n_{3}\right) \times\left|\mathcal{M}^{(0)}\left(\mathbf{g}_{1}, \ldots, \mathbf{g}_{n}\right)\right|^{2}
$$



$$
S_{\mathrm{MC}}^{(0)}=W_{\mathrm{col}}\left(n_{1}, n_{2}, n_{3}\right) \times\left|\mathcal{M}^{(0)}\left(\mathbf{g}_{1}, \ldots, \mathbf{g}_{n}\right)\right|^{2}
$$





## Numerical results for loop amplitudes (n-gluons)

| $n$ | 4D-case |  |  |  |  |  |  | 5D-case |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | ordr |  |  | drss |  |  | $\frac{\text { ordr }}{\mathrm{drss}}$ | ordr |  |  | drss |  |  | $\frac{\text { ordr }}{\text { drss }}$ |
|  | $\tau_{n}^{\text {(a) }}$ | $\tau_{n}^{(b)}$ | $r_{n}$ | $\tau_{n}^{\text {(a) }}$ | $\tau_{n}^{(\text {b) }}$ | $r_{n}$ |  | $\tau_{n}^{\text {(a) }}$ | $\tau_{n}^{\text {(b) }}$ | $r_{n}$ | $\tau_{n}^{\text {(a) }}$ | $\tau_{n}^{\text {(b) }}$ | $r_{n}$ |  |
| 4 | 0.027 | 0.026 |  | 0.061 | 0.062 |  | 0.43 | 0.053 | 0.052 |  | 0.139 | 0.140 |  | 0.38 |
| 5 | 0.159 | 0.161 | 6.04 | 0.368 | 0.364 | 5.95 | 0.44 | 0.415 | 0.412 | 7.88 | 1.026 | 1.029 | 7.37 | 0.40 |
| 6 | 1.234 | 1.235 | 7.72 | 2.152 | 2.146 | 5.87 | 0.57 | 3.887 | 3.928 | 9.45 | 7.137 | 7.124 | 6.94 | 0.55 |
| 7 | 12.07 | 12.00 | 9.75 | 13.06 | 13.08 | 6.08 | 0.92 | 41.66 | 41.61 | 10.7 | 49.62 | 49.85 | 6.98 | 0.84 |
| 8 | 131.2 | 131.3 | 10.9 | 80.22 | 80.53 | 6.15 | 1.6 | 493.2 | 498.6 | 11.9 | 348.0 | 346.9 | 6.99 | 1.4 |
| 9 | 1579 | 1563 | 12.0 | 511.6 | 507.8 | 6.34 | 3.1 | 6316 | 6296 | 12.7 | 2466 | 2470 | 7.10 | 2.6 |
| 10 | 20900 | 20480 | 13.2 | 3640 | 3629 | 7.13 | 5.7 | 88320 | 88810 | 14.0 | 21590 | 21620 | 8.75 | 4.1 |

Figure 7: Computation times $\tau_{n}$ versus the number $n$ of external gluons for the three different gluon color assignments used in Tables 5 (hard), 7 (simple) and 8 (random). The results reported in these tables are shown for the 4 - and 5 -dimensional color-ordered and -dressed algorithms. The solid and dashed curves each represent the outcomes of the fits listed in Table 9 for both the dressed and ordered approach, respectively.

Hard color configuration. Simple color configuration. Random color configurations.



Figure 8: Relative accuracies of the $1 / \epsilon^{2,1,0}$ poles of $n=6$ gluon one-loop amplitudes as determined by the double-precision color-dressed algorithm. The gluon polarizations are given by $\lambda_{k}=+-+-+-$, colors were chosen randomly among non-zero configurations. Vetoed events are included, only those with unstable ortho-vectors are left out, see text for more explanations. The mean accuracies and the number of randomly picked phase-space points are displayed in the top row and bottom left corner of the plot, respectively.




## Concluding Remarks

[ We have formulated D-dimensional unitarity to include color dressing
[] The computer time scale like $\approx 7^{n}$ with the number of external particles The ordered formulation gives $\approx 9^{n}$ for $\boldsymbol{n}$-gluon amplitudes. This is contrary to naive expectations since in the color dressed case we have larger number of cuts and internal color summation.
(]. Color-dressed formulation of DD unitarity is competitive for calculating one-loop virtual corrections for n -gluon scattering. It is expected it be even more efficient in processes involving less colorful particles.
(V) Color-dressed formulation has the same algorithm for particles of different color. The notion of primitive amplitudes is not needed.
(V) Color-dressed formulation appears to be better suited to full automation.

