#### Jets and Energy-Energy Correlation in QCD Part II: EEC in e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> Annihilation



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## The EEC

Energy-energy correlation (EEC) in e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> annihilation:
 one of first infrared safe event-shapes defined in QCD, 40
 years ago Basham, Brown, Love, S. Ellis, PRD, PRL 1978

$$\frac{d\Sigma}{d\cos\chi} = \sum_{\text{partons } i,j} \int d\sigma \; \frac{E_i E_j}{Q^2} \delta(\cos\theta_{ij} - \cos\chi)$$

Collinear parton splitting  $E_i \rightarrow xE_i + (1-x)E_i$ preserves observable. So does soft emission.

Data from wide range of CM energies  $\rightarrow$ 





#### Evolution with energy clearly visible



data reviewed in Kardos et al, 1804.09146

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#### Why the EEC?

- Many event-shape variables to choose from: thrust, oblateness, C parameter, heavy jet mass, angularity, jet rates, ...
- EEC among the simplest analytically
- Angle *χ* lives on a compact domain, [0, π]:
  large logarithms on **both** ends can be resummed
- As  $\chi \rightarrow 0$ , probe jet substructure. Can generalize to computable LHC jet substructure variables, correlating multiple small angles Moult, Necib, Thaler, 1609.07483
- Gravitons couple to energy, so AdS/CFT holography can be used to compute at strong gauge coupling (in planar N=4 SYM, not QCD) Hofman, Maldacena, 0803.1467

## Numerical results

- EEC computed at NLO numerically in 1980s and 1990s Richards, WJ Stirling, Ellis, 1982, 1983; Ali, Barreiro, 1982, 1984; Schneider, Kramer, Schierholz, 1984; Falck, Kramer, 1989; Kunszt, Nason, Marchesini, Webber, LEP Yellow Book, 1989; Glover, Sutton, 1994; Clay, Ellis, 1995; Kramer, Spiesberger, 1996; Catani, Seymour, 1996 [EVENT2].
- Computed numerically at NNLO only 3 years ago

Del Duca, Duhr, Kardos, Somogyi, Trocsanyi, 1603.08927

 Can now compute analytically at NLO in QCD



#### Why analytic?

- Validate accuracy of numerical QCD results.
- Compare with analytic NLO result in N=4 SYM
   Belitsky, Hohenegger, Korchemsky,
   Sokatchev, Zhiboedov,
   1309.0769, 1309.1424, 1311.6800



• Study limits as  $\chi \rightarrow 0,\pi$  to aid resummation of large logarithms there.

## LO EEC for $0 < \chi < \pi$ is $O(\alpha_s)$



#### How to compute at NLO?



- Use interference method with Feynman diagrams
- Reverse unitarity: Treat all momenta as loop momenta, put all cut momenta on shell and impose  $\delta(\cos \theta_{ij} \cos \chi)$
- IBPs/Laporta algorithm Chetyrkin, Tkachov (1981), Laporta (2001)
- Differential equations for master integrals Gehrmann, Remiddi (2000)

can all be solved in terms of polylogarithms

#### Structure of QCD result

$$\frac{1}{\sigma_0} \frac{d\Sigma}{d\cos\chi} = \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{2\pi} A(z) + \left(\frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{2\pi}\right)^2 \left(\beta_0 \log\frac{\mu}{Q} A(z) + B(z)\right) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3)$$
$$z = \frac{1}{2} (1 - \cos\chi) \in [0, 1]$$

LO result fits on one line: Basham, Brown, Love, S. Ellis, 1978  $A(z) = C_F \frac{3 - 2z}{4(1 - z)z^5} [3z(2 - 3z) + 2(2z^2 - 6z + 3) \ln(1 - z)]$ 

NLO result will be expressed in terms of classical polylogarithms:

$$\operatorname{Li}_{n}(u) = \int_{0}^{u} \frac{dt}{t} \operatorname{Li}_{n-1}(t), \quad \operatorname{Li}_{1}(t) = -\ln(1-t)$$

#### Color structure of NLO QCD result

 $B(z) = C_F^2 B_{\rm lc}(z) + C_F (C_A - 2C_F) B_{\rm nlc}(z) + C_F N_f T_f B_{N_f}(z)$ 



#### Leading color coefficient fits on one page

$$\begin{split} B_{\rm hc} = & + \frac{122400z^7 - 244800z^6 + 157060z^5 - 31000z^4 + 2064z^3 + 72305z^2 - 143577z + 63298}{1440(1-z)z^4} \\ & - \frac{-244800z^9 + 673200z^8 - 667280z^7 + 283140z^6 - 48122z^5 + 2716z^4 - 6201z^3 + 11309z^2 - 9329z + 3007}{720(1-z)z^5} g_1^{(1)} \\ & - \frac{244800z^8 - 550800z^7 + 422480z^6 - 126900z^5 + 13052z^4 - 336z^3 + 17261z^2 - 38295z + 19938}{720(1-z)z^4} g_2^{(1)} \\ & + \frac{4z^7 + 10z^6 - 17z^5 + 25z^4 - 96z^3 + 296z^2 - 211z + 87}{24(1-z)z^5} g_1^{(2)} \\ & + \frac{-40800z^8 + 61200z^7 - 28480z^6 + 4040z^5 - 320z^4 - 160z^3 + 1126z^2 - 4726z + 3323}{120(1-z)z^5} g_2^{(2)} \\ & - \frac{1 - 11z}{48z^{7/2}} g_3^{(2)} - \frac{120z^6 + 60z^5 + 160z^4 - 2246z^3 + 8812z^2 - 10159z + 4193}{120(1-z)z^5} g_2^{(2)} \\ & - 2 \left(85z^4 - 170z^3 + 116z^2 - 31z + 3\right) g_1^{(3)} + \frac{-4z^3 + 18z^2 - 21z + 5}{6(1-z)z^5} g_2^{(3)} + \frac{z^2 + 1}{12(1-z)} g_3^{(3)}, \\ \\ \text{where} \qquad g_1^{(1)} = \log(1-z), \qquad g_2^{(1)} = \log(z), \qquad g_2^{(2)} = 2(\text{Li}_2(z) + \zeta_2) + \log^2(1-z), \\ g_2^{(2)} = \text{Li}_2(1-z) - \text{Li}_2(z), \qquad g_3^{(2)} = -2 \text{Li}_2 \left(-\sqrt{z}\right) + 2 \text{Li}_2 \left(\sqrt{z}\right) + \log\left(\frac{1-\sqrt{z}}{1+\sqrt{z}}\right) \log(z) \qquad g_4^{(2)} = \zeta_2 \\ & g_1^{(3)} = -6 \left[\text{Li}_3 \left(-\frac{z}{1-z}\right) - \zeta_3\right] - \log\left(\frac{z}{1-z}\right) (2(\text{Li}_2(z) + \zeta_2) + \log^2(1-z)), \\ & g_2^{(3)} = -12 \left[\text{Li}_3(z) + \text{Li}_3 \left(-\frac{z}{1-z}\right)\right] + 6 \text{Li}_2(z) \log(1-z) + \log^3(1-z), \\ & g_3^{(3)} = 6 \log(1-z) (\text{Li}_2(z) - \zeta_2) - 12 \text{Li}_3(z) + \log^3(1-z). \\ \\ \text{L. Dixon} \quad \text{EEC in QCD} \qquad \text{U. Freiburg 4 April 2019} \qquad 11 \end{aligned}$$

#### Observations

- Other QCD color coefficients similar in complexity
- See 1801.03219 or https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WVC1ygsjZNc
- Around both z = 0 and z = 1, expansion is in integer powers of z (and ln z or ln(1-z))
- Individual real/virtual terms have polylog argument  $\frac{l\sqrt{z}}{\sqrt{1-z}}$
- Rational function prefactors have no singularities at spurious locations, but their singularities at *z* = 0, 1, ∞ are "too strong" and cancel among different terms
- Similar properties for "Higgs EEC" Luo, Shtabovenko, Yang, Zhu, 1903.07277
- N=4 SYM result (next page) is considerably simpler than QCD, but mainly in rational function prefactors, not transcendental functions

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# EEC for N=4 SYM at NLO

Belitsky, Hohenegger, Korchemsky, Sokatchev, Zhiboedov, 1311.6800

• Correlator is for scalar source instead of electromagnetic current (but the precise source doesn't matter much)

$$\begin{split} F(z;a) &= aF_1(z) + a^2 \left[ (1-z)F_2(z) + F_3(z) \right] \\ \text{where} \quad a &= g_{\text{YM}}^2 N/(4\pi^2) \\ F_1(z) &= -\ln(1-z) \\ F_2(z) &= 4\sqrt{z} \left[ \text{Li}_2 \left( -\sqrt{z} \right) - \text{Li}_2 \left( \sqrt{z} \right) + \frac{\ln z}{2} \ln \left( \frac{1+\sqrt{z}}{1-\sqrt{z}} \right) \right] + (1+z) \left[ 2\text{Li}_2(z) + \ln^2(1-z) \right] + 2\ln(1-z) \ln \left( \frac{z}{1-z} \right) + z \frac{\pi^2}{3} \\ F_3(z) &= \frac{1}{4} \left\{ (1-z)(1+2z) \left[ \ln^2 \left( \frac{1+\sqrt{z}}{1-\sqrt{z}} \right) \ln \left( \frac{1-z}{z} \right) - 8\text{Li}_3 \left( \frac{\sqrt{z}}{\sqrt{z}-1} \right) - 8\text{Li}_3 \left( \frac{\sqrt{z}}{\sqrt{z}+1} \right) \right] - 4(z-4)\text{Li}_3(z) \\ &+ 6(3+3z-4z^2)\text{Li}_3 \left( \frac{z}{z-1} \right) - 2z(1+4z)\zeta_3 + 2 \left[ 2(2z^2-z-2)\ln(1-z) + (3-4z)z\ln z \right] \text{Li}_2(z) \\ &+ \frac{1}{3} \ln^2(1-z) \left[ 4(3z^2-2z-1)\ln(1-z) + 3(3-4z)z\ln z \right] + \frac{\pi^2}{3} \left[ 2z^2\ln z - (2z^2+z-2)\ln(1-z) \right] \right\} \end{split}$$

No uniform or maximal transcendentality principle – except for χ → π
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#### Belitsky et al. method for N=4 SYM

- Very different from "QCD method", which uses dimensional regularization; divergences cancel between virtual and real
- Exploit conformal invariance of 4-point function with two "energy flow operators"

$$\langle \mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_1)\mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_2)\rangle_q = \int d^4x \,\mathrm{e}^{iq\cdot x} \langle 0|O^{\dagger}(x)\mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_1)\mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_2)O(0)|0\rangle$$

$$\mathcal{E}(\vec{n}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\tau \lim_{r \to \infty} r^2 n^i T_{0i}(t = \tau + r, r\vec{n})$$

- Analytically continue from Euclidean to physical region using double
  Mellin transform
- No infrared divergences at any step!
- Recently pushed to NNLO (semi-analytic): Henn, Sokatchev, Yan and Zhiboedov, 1903.05314

#### Analytic properties of QCD moments

• With analytic formulae, compute the integrals

$$B_{N} = \int_{0}^{1} dz \ z^{N} B(z)$$

numerically to high accuracy, for each color coefficient

• Using PSLQ, it is always of the form

$$B_N = r_N^{(4)} \zeta(4) + r_N^{(3)} \zeta(3) + r_N^{(2)} \zeta(2) + r_N^{(0)}$$

where the  $r_N^{(w)}$  are rational numbers.

- **E.g.**  $B_3(C_A) = -\frac{207}{2}\zeta(4) + \frac{14902}{35}\zeta(3) \frac{553}{450}\zeta(2) \frac{2369041}{5040}$
- Could they be zeta values at higher loop orders too?
- Expression for general N in terms of  $\psi(N)$  functions?

## Fixed order QCD vs. Z pole data



Tulipant, Kardos, Somogyi, 1708.04093



To measure strong coupling  $\alpha_s$ : Add NNLL  $z \rightarrow 1$  resummation + MC estimate of nonperturbative contributions

Kardos, Kluth, Somogyi, Tulipant, Verbytskyi, 1804.09146

 $\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.11750 \pm 0.00018(exp.) \pm 0.00102(hadr.) \pm 0.00257(ren.) \pm 0.00078(res.)$ 

Competitive measurement of  $\alpha_s$ 

Still room for theory improvement:  $\rightarrow$  NNNLO (approx.?) + NNNLL  $z \rightarrow 1$  resummation + (N?)NLL  $z \rightarrow 0$  resummation

#### Back-to-back limit, $z \rightarrow 1$

$$B(z) = C_F \left\{ \frac{1}{1-z} \left[ \frac{1}{2} C_F \ln^3(1-z) + \ln^2(1-z) \left( \frac{11C_A}{12} + \frac{9C_F}{4} - \frac{N_f T_f}{3} \right) + \ln(1-z) \left( C_A \left( \frac{\zeta_2}{2} - \frac{35}{72} \right) + C_F \left( \zeta_2 + \frac{17}{4} \right) + \frac{N_f T_f}{18} \right) + C_A \left( \frac{11\zeta_2}{4} + \frac{3\zeta_3}{2} - \frac{35}{16} \right) + C_F \left( 3\zeta_2 - \zeta_3 + \frac{45}{16} \right) + N_f T_f \left( \frac{3}{4} - \zeta_2 \right) \right] + \left( \frac{C_A}{2} + C_F \right) \ln^3(1-z) + \ln^2(1-z) \left( \frac{27C_A}{8} + \frac{13C_F}{2} - \frac{N_f T_f}{2} \right) + \ln(1-z) \left[ C_A \left( 22\zeta_2 - \frac{2011}{72} \right) + C_F (47 - 19\zeta_2) + N_f T_f \left( \frac{361}{36} - 4\zeta_2 \right) \right] + C_A \left( \frac{6347\zeta_2}{80} - 21\zeta_2 \ln 2 - \frac{137\zeta_3}{4} - \frac{3305}{72} \right) + C_F \left( -\frac{1727\zeta_2}{20} + 42\zeta_2 \ln 2 + \frac{121\zeta_3}{2} + \frac{3437}{96} \right) + N_f T_f \left( -\frac{1747\zeta_2}{120} + 12\zeta_3 + \frac{2099}{144} \right) \right\} + \mathcal{O}(1-z)$$

- Double log behavior,  $\ln^{2L+1}(1-z)/(1-z)$  characteristic of Sudakov suppression from soft/collinear gluon emission. Collins, Soper,...
- Coefficients of leading-power terms agree precisely with NNLL resummation DeFlorian, Grazzini,hep-ph/0407241

### $z \rightarrow 1$ (cont.)



Moult, Zhu, 1801.02627

Soft gluons contribute, but only via recoil, by deflecting the hard quark jet

- Factorization theorem recently proved: Relate EEC to backto-back production of identified hadrons Collins, Soper 1981-1982
- Should allow NNNLL resummation soon

## Intra-jet limit, $z \rightarrow 0$

$$B(z) = C_F \left\{ \frac{1}{z} \left[ \ln z \left( -\frac{107C_A}{120} + \frac{25C_F}{32} + \frac{53N_f T_f}{240} \right) + C_A \left( -\frac{25\zeta_2}{12} + \frac{\zeta_3}{2} + \frac{17683}{2700} \right) + C_F \left( \frac{43\zeta_2}{12} - \zeta_3 - \frac{8263}{1728} \right) - \frac{4913N_f T_f}{3600} \right] + C_F \left( \frac{43\zeta_2}{120} - \zeta_3 - \frac{8263}{1728} \right) + C_F \left( \frac{42109}{1200} - 21\zeta_2 \right) + N_f T_f \left( \frac{86501}{12600} - 4\zeta_2 \right) \right] + C_A \left( \frac{213\zeta_2}{2} - \frac{703439}{252000} \right) + C_F \left( -\frac{1541\zeta_2}{30} + 65\zeta_3 + \frac{18563}{2700} \right) + C_F \left( -\frac{46\zeta_2}{3} + 12\zeta_3 + \frac{2987627}{330750} \right) \right\} + \mathcal{O}(z)$$

- Single log behavior,  $\ln^L z/z$  characteristic of pure collinear observable.
- Leading log (LL) resummation first performed in "jet calculus" approach Konishi, Ukawa, Veneziano, Phys.Lett.1978,1979
- Coefficients of leading-power terms agree precisely with LL result Richards, Stirling, Ellis, NPB229, 317, 1983

## $z \rightarrow 0$ (cont.)

 Limit dominated by collinear emission. At leading log, only a single moment N=3 of time-like splitting function dominates Konishi, Ukawa, Veneziano, Richards, Stirling, Ellis, Hofman, Maldacena, 0803.1467

Energy weighting 
$$\rightarrow \int_0^1 dx \, x(1-x) \, P_{ij}(x) \rightarrow -\int_0^1 dx \, x^2 \, P_{ij}(x) \equiv \gamma_{ij}^{(N=3)}$$

Momentum sum rule controls  $x^1$  term,  $\rightarrow$  can drop it.

$$\int_0^1 dx \, x \, P_{ij}(x) \equiv -\gamma_{ij}^{(N=2)}$$

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#### LL resummed formula

Richards, Stirling, Ellis, NPB229, 317, 1983

$$\frac{1}{\sigma_0} \frac{d\Sigma}{d\cos\chi} = \frac{\alpha_s(\sqrt{z}Q)}{16\pi z} \sum_{i,j=q,g} \Gamma_{ij}^{(0)} \left[\frac{\alpha_s(\sqrt{z}Q)}{\alpha_s(Q)}\right]_{jq}^{-\Gamma^{(0)}/b_0}$$
$$\Gamma_{ij}^{(0)} = \left[\begin{array}{cc} \frac{25}{6}C_F & -\frac{7}{15}N_f \\ -\frac{7}{6}C_F & \frac{14}{5}C_A + \frac{2}{3}N_f \end{array}\right] \quad b_0 = \frac{11}{3}C_A - \frac{2}{3}N_f$$
One-loop (LO) N=3 time-like moments

To expand back into fixed order:

$$\frac{\alpha_s(\sqrt{z}Q)}{\alpha_s(Q)} = \left[1 + b_0 \frac{\alpha_s(Q)}{4\pi} \ln z\right]^{-1}$$

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## Beyond LL as $z \rightarrow 0$

#### LD, Moult, Zhu, to appear

• Factorize on single parton states, similar to production of identified hadrons *h* with momentum  $p_h = x \times Q/2$ 



## All orders factorization formula

• Cumulant 
$$\Omega(z, \ln \frac{Q^2}{\mu^2}, \mu) = \int_0^z dz' \Sigma(z', \ln \frac{Q^2}{\mu^2}, \mu)$$

$$\Omega(z, \ln\frac{Q^2}{\mu^2}, \mu) = \int_0^1 dx \, x^2 \vec{J}^T \left(\ln\frac{zx^2 Q^2}{\mu^2}, \mu\right) \cdot \vec{H}(x, \ln\frac{Q^2}{\mu^2}, \mu)$$

- Reuses hard function  $H_i = \frac{d\sigma}{dx_i}$
- Replaces nonperturbative fragmentation function with perturbative jet function J which includes the small angle EEC measurement.
- Dependence of *J* is on its only physical scale,  $zx^2Q^2 = q_T^2$

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- Computed J directly to  $O(\alpha_s)$  so far  $\rightarrow$  NLL accuracy
- Reproduces coefficient of  $\alpha_s^2 (\ln z)^0/z$ in fixed order NLO result for both e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> and Higgs

# Evolution of jet function

- Evolution of hard function involves time-like splitting kernel,  $P_T(y, \mu)$ .
- $\Omega$  is RGE invariant, i.e. independent of  $\mu$
- Leads to evolution equation for J:

$$\frac{d\vec{J}^T(\ln\frac{zQ^2}{\mu^2},\mu)}{d\ln\mu^2} = \int_0^1 dy \, y^2 \vec{J}^T(\ln\frac{zy^2Q^2}{\mu^2},\mu) \cdot P_T(y,\mu)$$

 LL evolution only uses N=3 time-like moments (y<sup>2</sup>), but beyond LL, need "nearby" moments.

#### Counting the order



# Use "unitarity" to get $\alpha_s^2 \delta(z)$

- Get  $\alpha_s^2 \delta(1-z)$  in course of resumming  $z \rightarrow 1$
- Know  $\alpha_s^2$  distribution for 0 < z < 1, so we can integrate it over this range, up to the delta functions.
- Total cross section

$$\sigma = \int_0^1 dz \frac{d\sigma}{dz}$$

also known, for e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> and Higgs, to very high order,

e.g. Herzog, Ruijl, Ueda, Vermaseren, Vogt, 1707.01044

• Use the two  $\delta(z)$  coefficients to fix 2-loop  $J_q$ ,  $J_g$ 

# NNLO QCD $\alpha_s^3$ coefficient

Del Duca, Duhr, Kardos, Somogyi, Trocsanyi, 1603.08927





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## Conclusions

- Analytical results possible at NLO in QCD for at least one event shape in e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> annihilation, the EEC
- Transcendental structure no worse than for N=4 SYM, but rational functions considerably more complicated
- Limiting values useful for checking soft-gluon resummation for z → 1 – also beyond leading power when available Moult, Stewart, Vita, Zhu, 1804.04665
- Also very useful in developing formalism for collinear resummation,  $z \rightarrow 0$ , now to NNLL LD, Moult, Zhu, to appear
- May eventually lead to more precise value of  $\alpha_s$ , as well as more precise jet substructure understanding at LHC

#### **Extra Slides**

#### **Reverse unitarity**

Anastasiou, Melnikov, hep-ph/0207004; Anastasiou, LD, Melnikov, Petriello, hep-ph/0312266

 Phase space integral over final-state partons is like a loop integral with δ(p<sub>i</sub><sup>2</sup>) factor for every propagator crossing the cut, and with one extra delta function, which can be turned into a fake propagator:

$$\delta[\mathcal{M}_{ij}(\boldsymbol{\chi})] = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \Big[ \frac{1}{\mathcal{M}_{ij}(\boldsymbol{\chi}) - i\varepsilon} - \frac{1}{\mathcal{M}_{ij}(\boldsymbol{\chi}) + i\varepsilon} \Big]$$

where  $\mathcal{M}_{ij}(\boldsymbol{\chi}) = (p_i \cdot Q \, p_j \cdot Q)(\vec{n}_i \cdot \vec{n}_j - \cos \boldsymbol{\chi})$ =  $(p_i \cdot Q \, p_j \cdot Q)(\mathbf{1} - \cos \boldsymbol{\chi}) - p_i \cdot p_j$ 

- Nonlinear in parton momenta  $p_i$ ,  $p_j$
- Sum over *i*,*j*

## Integration by parts (IBP)

Multi-loop integration technology

$$k \xrightarrow{p+k} q \xrightarrow{k} k \qquad 0 = \int d^D p d^D q \dots \frac{\partial}{\partial q^{\mu}} \frac{k^{\mu}}{p^2 q^2 (p+q)^2 \dots}$$

 Reduces problem to system of linear equations, initially solved recursively by MINCER, now by Laporta algorithm, in terms of "master integrals"
 Gorishnii, Larin, Surguladze, Tkachov (1989)
 Laporta, hep-ph/0102033

No-scale problem  $\implies \frac{R_{c}}{R}$ like total hadronic cross section maximal analytic simplicity: pure numbers, Riemann zeta values

$$\zeta(n) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^n}$$

$$\frac{R_{e^+e^-}}{R^{(0)}} = 1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^2 \left[ -11\zeta(3) + \frac{365}{24} + n_f \left(\frac{2}{3}\zeta(3) - \frac{11}{12}\right) \right] \\ + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^3 \left[\frac{275}{6}\zeta(5) - \frac{1103}{4}\zeta(3) - \frac{121}{8}\zeta(2) + \frac{87029}{288} \right] \\ + n_f \left(-\frac{25}{9}\zeta(5) + \frac{262}{9}\zeta(3) + \frac{11}{6}\zeta(2) - \frac{7847}{216}\right) \\ + n_f^2 \left(-\frac{19}{27}\zeta(3) - \frac{1}{18}\zeta(2) + \frac{151}{162}\right) \right]$$

EEC is "next-to-simplest case"

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#### QCD: NLO program EVENT2 validated M. Seymour



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