

Workshop on Radiative Corrections and Monte Carlo simulations for electron-positron collisions

A mule never stops – future plans for McMULE –

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What are the challenges?

Established in McMULE

$2 \rightarrow 2$ QED NNLO

$2 \rightarrow 3$ QED NLO [David's talk]

$2 \rightarrow \pi\pi\gamma$ NLO ISC [Sophie's talk]



McMULE goal

N^3LO (MuonE)

NNLO

NLO mixed & NNLO ISC

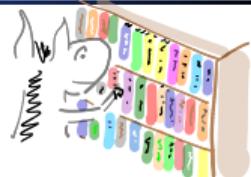


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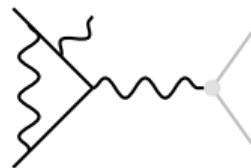
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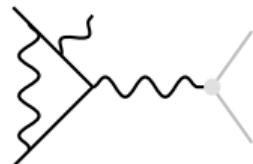
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$ee \rightarrow \gamma\gamma^* @ \text{NNLO}$		methods & challenges
RR		OL ✓ NTS (?) B/BES scenario (?)
RV		OL ✓ NTS ✓
VV		massification ✓ [Badger et al 23] KLOE SA hard-collinear (?)
VP		Disperon QED [Sophie's talk]

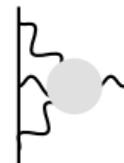
next step [$\sim 2026+$] :: $ee \rightarrow \gamma^*$ @ N³LO $\supset ee \rightarrow \gamma\gamma^*$ @ NNLO



[Fael et al 22]



[Badger et al 23]
+ massification
+ jettification



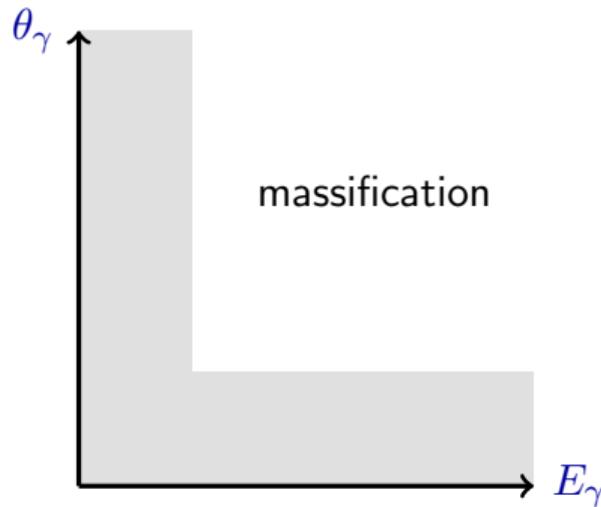
light-by-light, ...

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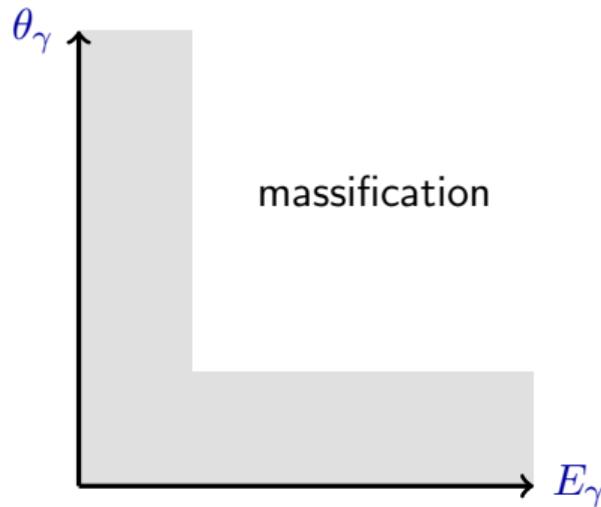
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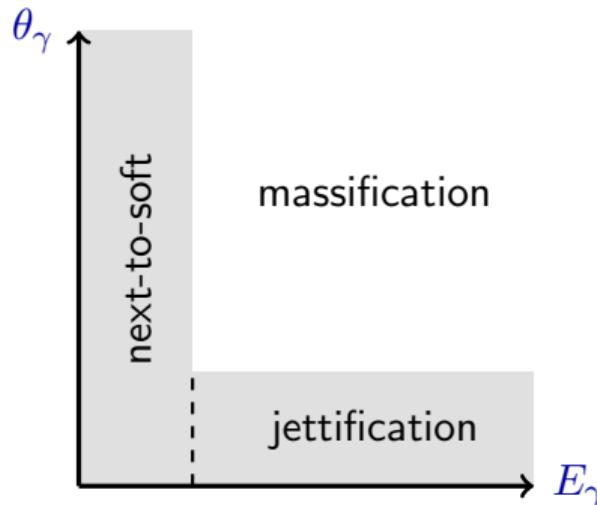


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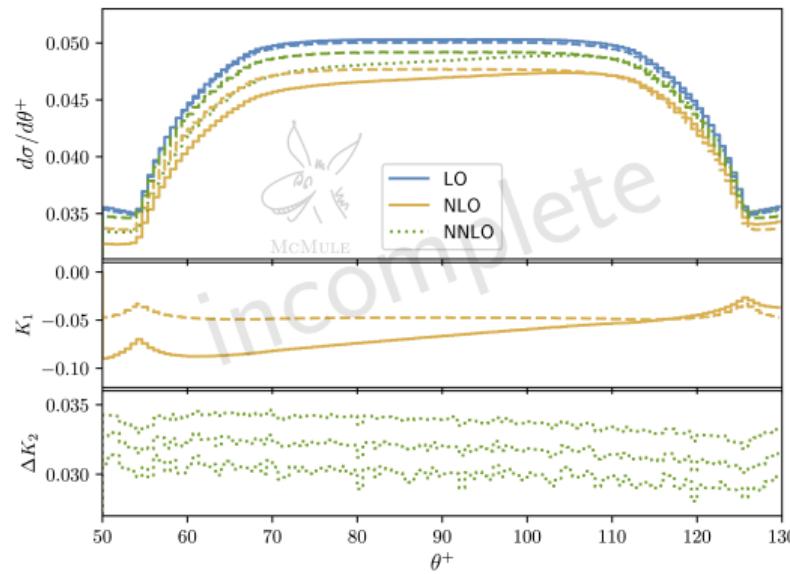
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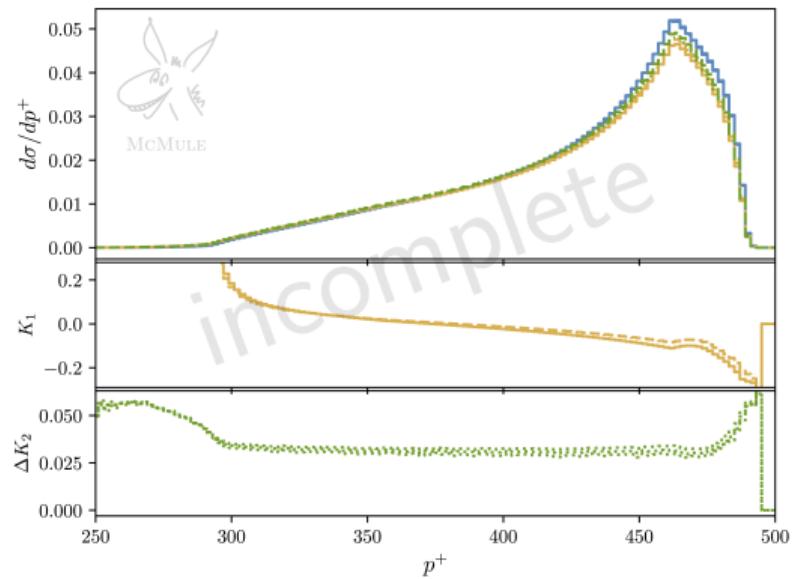


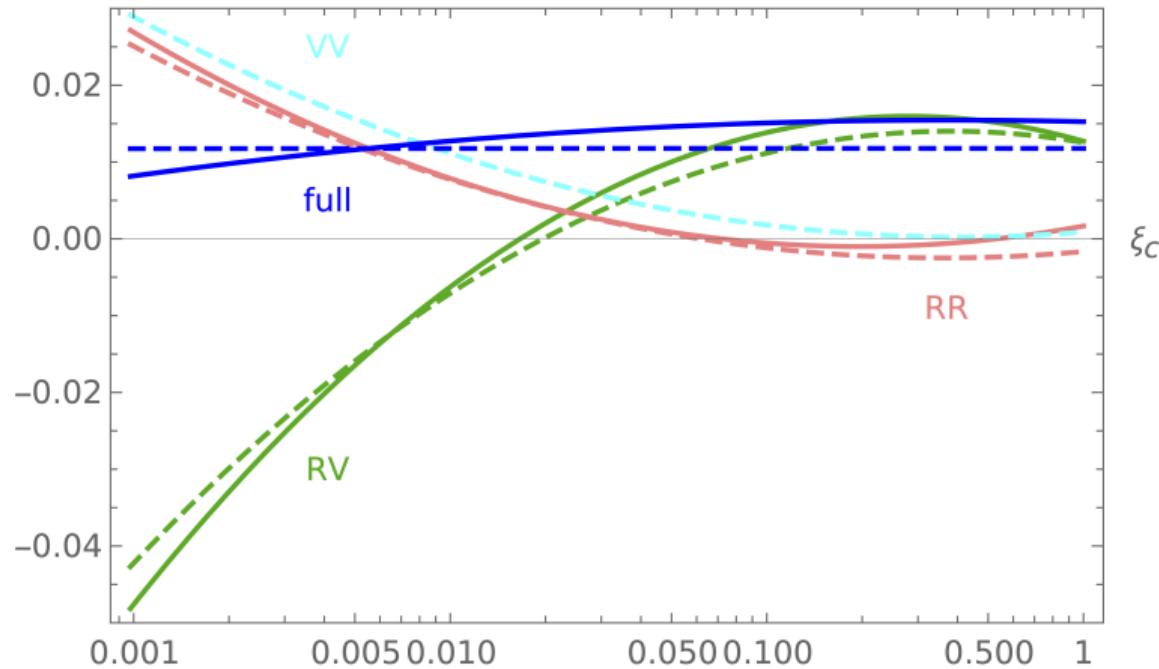
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- inclusive process ($ee \rightarrow \gamma^*$ @ N³LO):
 - next-to-soft
 - jettification: **massive J** unknown at 2 loop

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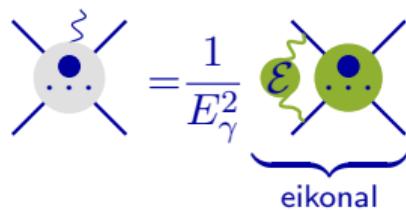
$\sqrt{s} = 1.02 \text{ GeV};$
 $50^\circ \leq \theta^\pm \leq 130^\circ;$
 $|p_z^\pm| > 90 \text{ MeV} \vee |p_\perp^\pm| > 160 \text{ MeV};$
 $\theta_{\bar{\gamma}} \leq 15^\circ \vee \theta_{\bar{\gamma}} \geq 165^\circ;$
 $0.35 \text{ GeV}^2 \leq M_{\mu\mu}^2 \leq 0.95 \text{ GeV}^2$





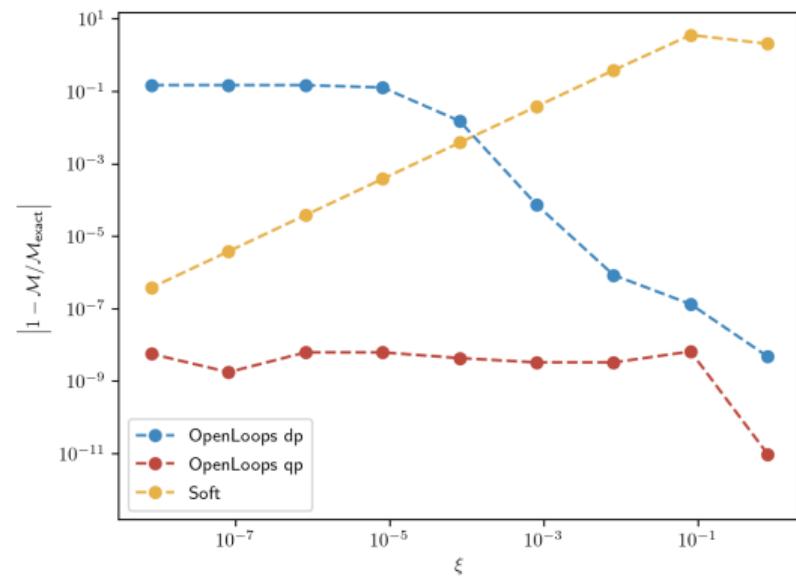
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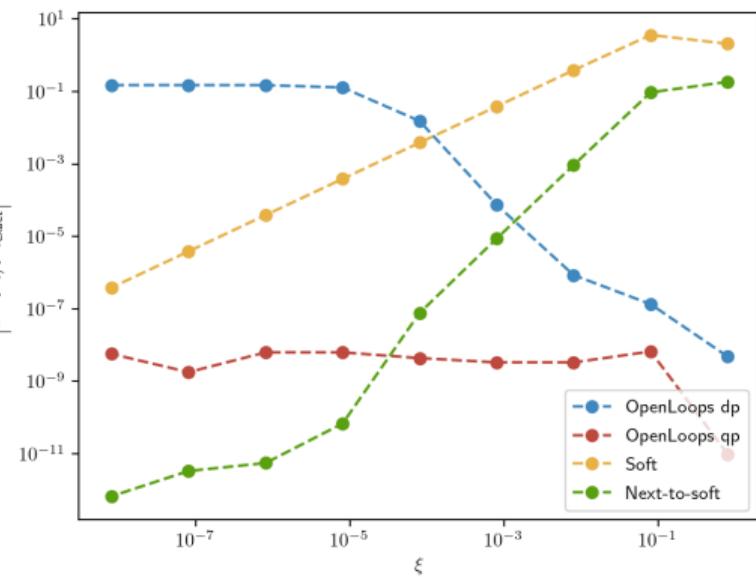
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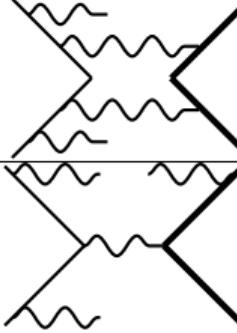
$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Diagram: } \text{eikonal} = \frac{1}{E_\gamma^2} \text{ (grey circle with dot)} + \frac{1}{E_\gamma} \left\{ D \left[\text{LBK} \right] \right\} + \text{soft function} + \mathcal{O}(E_\gamma^0) \\
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McMULE goal : NTS for RRR, RRV and RVV [Engel, 24]

$$1 \dots n = \frac{1}{E_\gamma^{2n}} \prod_{a=1}^n \underbrace{\mathcal{E}_{k_a} \text{ (green circle with blue dot)}}_{\text{eikonal}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 k_1 \sim k_2 \sim \dots \sim k_n \\
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 + \left. \sum_{a,b=1}^n \prod_{c \neq a,b} \mathcal{E}_{k_c} \underbrace{G_{k_a}^{k_b} \text{ (purple circle with orange wavy line) }}_{\text{universal function}} \right\} + \mathcal{O}(E_\gamma^{-2n+2})
 \end{aligned}$$

	$ee \rightarrow \gamma^*$	$ee \rightarrow \mu\mu$ ($e\mu \rightarrow e\mu$ MuonE)	challenges
VVV			massification & prayers
VVR			from $pp \rightarrow 2j + \gamma$ [Badger et al 23] + massification Disperon QED, NTS, jettification
VRR			OL, NTS
RRR			NTS

Ideas for the future

- event generation
- additional ee pair
- MCMULE @ higher energies ::
numerical instability for real-real in $ee \rightarrow \mu\mu\gamma$ @ B/BES-like \implies collinear subtraction?
- YFS/LBK shower - approximate higher orders
- electroweak
- polarisation
- ...



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