

# Lepton Collisions in MadGraph5\_aMC@NLO

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and work in process(Bertone, Cacciari, Frixione, Stagnitto, Zaro, XZ)

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- Source code at: <https://launchpad.net/mg5amcnlo>
- Now on version 2.9.6 (legacy) and 3.2.0 (including  $e^+e^-$  features)

It can:

- Automatically compute hard scattering matrix element at (N)LO
- Perform phasespace integration for infrared-safe observables at (N)LO(i.e. fixed order)
- Generate hard events at (N)LO to be subsequently showered by either Pythia or Herwig(i.e. (N)LO+PS)
- Support BSM via a user-defined Lagrangian.

With MG5\_aMC, from 1405.0301 →

Process	Syntax	Cross section (pb)				
		LO 1 TeV		NLO 1 TeV		
i.1	$e^+e^- \rightarrow jj$	e+ e- > j j	$6.223 \pm 0.005 \cdot 10^{-1}$	+0.0% -0.0%	$6.389 \pm 0.013 \cdot 10^{-1}$	+0.2% -0.2%
i.2	$e^+e^- \rightarrow jjj$	e+ e- > j j j	$3.401 \pm 0.002 \cdot 10^{-1}$	+9.6% -8.0%	$3.166 \pm 0.019 \cdot 10^{-1}$	+0.2% -2.1%
i.3	$e^+e^- \rightarrow jjjj$	e+ e- > j j j j	$1.047 \pm 0.001 \cdot 10^{-1}$	+20.0% -15.3%	$1.090 \pm 0.006 \cdot 10^{-1}$	+0.0% -2.8%
i.4	$e^+e^- \rightarrow jjjjj$	e+ e- > j j j j j	$2.211 \pm 0.006 \cdot 10^{-2}$	+31.4% -22.0%	$2.771 \pm 0.021 \cdot 10^{-2}$	+4.4% -8.6%
i.5	$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}$	e+ e- > t t~	$1.662 \pm 0.002 \cdot 10^{-1}$	+0.0% -0.0%	$1.745 \pm 0.006 \cdot 10^{-1}$	+0.4% -0.4%
i.6	$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}j$	e+ e- > t t~ j	$4.813 \pm 0.005 \cdot 10^{-2}$	+9.3% -7.8%	$5.276 \pm 0.022 \cdot 10^{-2}$	+1.3% -2.1%
i.7*	$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}jj$	e+ e- > t t~ j j	$8.614 \pm 0.009 \cdot 10^{-3}$	+19.4% -15.0%	$1.094 \pm 0.005 \cdot 10^{-2}$	+5.0% -6.3%
i.8*	$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}jjj$	e+ e- > t t~ j j j	$1.044 \pm 0.002 \cdot 10^{-3}$	+30.5% -21.6%	$1.546 \pm 0.010 \cdot 10^{-3}$	+10.6% -11.6%
i.9*	$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$	e+ e- > t t~ t t~	$6.456 \pm 0.016 \cdot 10^{-7}$	+19.1% -14.8%	$1.221 \pm 0.005 \cdot 10^{-6}$	+13.2% -11.2%
i.10*	$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}j$	e+ e- > t t~ t t~ j	$2.719 \pm 0.005 \cdot 10^{-8}$	+29.9% -21.3%	$5.338 \pm 0.027 \cdot 10^{-8}$	+18.3% -15.4%
i.11	$e^+e^- \rightarrow b\bar{b} (4f)$	e+ e- > b b~	$9.198 \pm 0.004 \cdot 10^{-2}$	+0.0% -0.0%	$9.282 \pm 0.031 \cdot 10^{-2}$	+0.0% -0.0%
i.12	$e^+e^- \rightarrow b\bar{b}j (4f)$	e+ e- > b b~ j	$5.029 \pm 0.003 \cdot 10^{-2}$	+9.5% -8.0%	$4.826 \pm 0.026 \cdot 10^{-2}$	+0.5% -2.5%
i.13*	$e^+e^- \rightarrow b\bar{b}jj (4f)$	e+ e- > b b~ j j	$1.621 \pm 0.001 \cdot 10^{-2}$	+20.0% -15.3%	$1.817 \pm 0.009 \cdot 10^{-2}$	+0.0% -3.1%
i.14*	$e^+e^- \rightarrow b\bar{b}jjj (4f)$	e+ e- > b b~ j j j	$3.641 \pm 0.009 \cdot 10^{-3}$	+31.4% -22.1%	$4.936 \pm 0.038 \cdot 10^{-3}$	+4.8% -8.9%
i.15*	$e^+e^- \rightarrow b\bar{b}bb (4f)$	e+ e- > b b~ b b~	$1.644 \pm 0.003 \cdot 10^{-4}$	+19.9% -15.3%	$3.601 \pm 0.017 \cdot 10^{-4}$	+15.2% -12.5%
i.16*	$e^+e^- \rightarrow b\bar{b}bbj (4f)$	e+ e- > b b~ b b~ j	$7.660 \pm 0.022 \cdot 10^{-5}$	+31.3% -22.0%	$1.537 \pm 0.011 \cdot 10^{-4}$	+17.9% -15.3%
i.17*	$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}b\bar{b} (4f)$	e+ e- > t t~ b b~	$1.819 \pm 0.003 \cdot 10^{-4}$	+19.5% -15.0%	$2.923 \pm 0.011 \cdot 10^{-4}$	+9.2% -8.9%
i.18*	$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}bbj (4f)$	e+ e- > t t~ b b~ j	$4.045 \pm 0.011 \cdot 10^{-5}$	+30.5% -21.6%	$7.049 \pm 0.052 \cdot 10^{-5}$	+13.7% -13.1%

Process	Syntax	Cross section (pb)				
		LO 1 TeV		NLO 1 TeV		
j.1	$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}H$	e+ e- > t t~ h	$2.018 \pm 0.003 \cdot 10^{-3}$	+0.0% -0.0%	$1.911 \pm 0.006 \cdot 10^{-3}$	+0.4% -0.5%
j.2*	$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}Hj$	e+ e- > t t~ h j	$2.533 \pm 0.003 \cdot 10^{-4}$	+9.2% -7.8%	$2.658 \pm 0.009 \cdot 10^{-4}$	+0.5% -1.5%
j.3*	$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}Hjj$	e+ e- > t t~ h j j	$2.663 \pm 0.004 \cdot 10^{-5}$	+19.3% -14.9%	$3.278 \pm 0.017 \cdot 10^{-5}$	+4.0% -5.7%
j.4*	$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}\gamma$	e+ e- > t t~ a	$1.270 \pm 0.002 \cdot 10^{-2}$	+0.0% -0.0%	$1.335 \pm 0.004 \cdot 10^{-2}$	+0.5% -0.4%
j.5*	$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}\gamma j$	e+ e- > t t~ a j	$2.355 \pm 0.002 \cdot 10^{-3}$	+9.3% -7.9%	$2.617 \pm 0.010 \cdot 10^{-3}$	+1.6% -2.4%
j.6*	$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}\gamma jj$	e+ e- > t t~ a j j	$3.103 \pm 0.005 \cdot 10^{-4}$	+19.5% -15.0%	$4.002 \pm 0.021 \cdot 10^{-4}$	+5.4% -6.6%
j.7*	$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}Z$	e+ e- > t t~ z	$4.642 \pm 0.006 \cdot 10^{-3}$	+0.0% -0.0%	$4.949 \pm 0.014 \cdot 10^{-3}$	+0.6% -0.5%
j.8*	$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}Zj$	e+ e- > t t~ z j	$6.059 \pm 0.006 \cdot 10^{-4}$	+9.3% -7.8%	$6.940 \pm 0.028 \cdot 10^{-4}$	+2.0% -2.6%
j.9*	$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}Zjj$	e+ e- > t t~ z j j	$6.351 \pm 0.028 \cdot 10^{-5}$	+19.4% -15.0%	$8.439 \pm 0.051 \cdot 10^{-5}$	+5.8% -6.8%
j.10*	$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}W^\pm jj$	e+ e- > t t~ wpm j j	$2.400 \pm 0.004 \cdot 10^{-7}$	+19.3% -14.9%	$3.723 \pm 0.012 \cdot 10^{-7}$	+9.6% -9.1%
j.11*	$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}HZ$	e+ e- > t t~ h z	$3.600 \pm 0.006 \cdot 10^{-5}$	+0.0% -0.0%	$3.579 \pm 0.013 \cdot 10^{-5}$	+0.1% -0.0%
j.12*	$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}\gamma Z$	e+ e- > t t~ a z	$2.212 \pm 0.003 \cdot 10^{-4}$	+0.0% -0.0%	$2.364 \pm 0.006 \cdot 10^{-4}$	+0.6% -0.5%
j.13*	$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}\gamma H$	e+ e- > t t~ a h	$9.756 \pm 0.016 \cdot 10^{-5}$	+0.0% -0.0%	$9.423 \pm 0.032 \cdot 10^{-5}$	+0.3% -0.4%
j.14*	$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}\gamma\gamma$	e+ e- > t t~ a a	$3.650 \pm 0.008 \cdot 10^{-4}$	+0.0% -0.0%	$3.833 \pm 0.013 \cdot 10^{-4}$	+0.4% -0.4%
j.15*	$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}ZZ$	e+ e- > t t~ z z	$3.788 \pm 0.004 \cdot 10^{-5}$	+0.0% -0.0%	$4.007 \pm 0.013 \cdot 10^{-5}$	+0.5% -0.5%
j.16*	$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}HH$	e+ e- > t t~ h h	$1.358 \pm 0.001 \cdot 10^{-5}$	+0.0% -0.0%	$1.206 \pm 0.003 \cdot 10^{-5}$	+0.9% -1.1%
j.17*	$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}W^+W^-$	e+ e- > t t~ w+ w-	$1.372 \pm 0.003 \cdot 10^{-4}$	+0.0% -0.0%	$1.540 \pm 0.006 \cdot 10^{-4}$	+1.0% -0.9%

Are we done? **No:**

- Only NLO in  $\alpha_S$ , not  $\alpha$
- No beamstrahlung
- No ISR effects( $\ln(E/m)$  resummation)

Beamstrahlung and ISR effects are included since version 3.2.0!  
Full NLO EW will be included in the near future.

# Collider-level cross section

Considering a process at an  $e^+e^-$  collider:

$$e^+(P_{e^+}) + e^-(P_{e^-}) \rightarrow X \quad (1)$$

The cross section can be written as:

$$d\Sigma_{e^+e^-}(P_{e^+}, P_{e^-}) = \sum_{k,l=e^+,e^-, \gamma} \int dy_+ dy_- \mathcal{B}_{kl}(y_+, y_-) d\sigma_{kl}(y_+ P_{e^+}, y_- P_{e^-}) \quad (2)$$

- $d\Sigma_{e^+e^-}$ : the collider-level cross section
- $d\sigma_{kl}$ : the particle-level cross section
- $\mathcal{B}_{kl}(y_+, y_-)$ : describes beam dynamics (including beamstrahlung). Collider-dependent but process independent.

The particle-level cross section is perturbatively computable, but receives  $\ln(m/E)$  terms which is factorisable:

$$d\sigma = \mathcal{K}(\ln \frac{m}{E}) \otimes d\hat{\sigma} + \mathcal{O}(\frac{m}{E}) \quad (3)$$

- $\mathcal{K}$ : universal, can be compute to all orders and resummed
- $d\hat{\sigma}$ : partonic cross section after subtracting  $\ln \frac{m}{E}$  terms: fixed order in perturbation theory

$$d\sigma_{kl}(p_k, p_l) = \sum_{i,j=e^+,e^-, \gamma} \int dz_+ dz_- \Gamma_{i/k}(z_+, \mu^2) \Gamma_{j/l}(z_-, \mu^2) \quad (4)$$

$$\times d\hat{\sigma}_{ij}(z_+ p_k, z_- p_l, \mu^2) \quad (5)$$

- $k, l = e^+, e^-, \gamma$  on the lhs: the particles
- $i, j = e^+, e^-, \gamma$  on the rhs: the partons
- $d\sigma_{kl}$ : particle-level cross section
- $d\hat{\sigma}_{ij}$ : the subtracted parton-level cross section: generally with  $m = 0$
- $\Gamma_{i/k}$ : the PDF of parton  $i$  inside particle  $k$
- $\mu$ : the hard scale,  $m^2 \ll \mu^2 \sim s$



LL( $\alpha^n \ln^n(E/m)$ ) available long ago:

- $0 \leq n \leq \infty$  for  $z \rightarrow 1$ : Gribov, Lipatov
- $0 \leq n \leq 3$  for  $z < 1$ : Skrzypek, Jadach; Cacciari, Deandrea, Montagna, Nicosini; Skrzypek
- Matching between these two regimes.

NLL( $\alpha^n [\ln^n(E/m) + \ln^{n-1}(E/m)]$ ) available recently:

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- $0 \leq k \leq \infty$  for  $z \rightarrow 1$
- $0 \leq k \leq 3$  for  $z < 1$ , i.e.  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^3)$
- matching between these two regimes
- Both numerical and analytical

The PDFs strongly peak at  $z \rightarrow 1$ :

$$\Gamma_{e^\pm/e^\pm}(z) \rightarrow (1-z)^{-1+\beta} \hat{\Gamma}_{e^\pm/e^\pm}(z), \quad z \rightarrow 1 \quad (6)$$

where  $\beta \sim 0.05$  at CEPC@240GeV.

We need specific variable transformation:

$$t_\pm = \left( \frac{(1-z_\pm)}{1-z_{0\pm}} \right)^{1-\gamma}, \quad \frac{dz_\pm}{dt_\pm} = \frac{(1-z_{0\pm})^{1-\gamma}}{1-\gamma} (1-z_\pm)^\gamma \quad (7)$$

With  $1-\beta \leq \gamma < 1$ , it regularises the  $z \rightarrow 1$  singularities in PDF:

$$dz_\pm \Gamma_{e^\pm/e^\pm}(z_\pm) = dt_\pm \hat{\Gamma}_{e^\pm/e^\pm} \frac{(1-z_{0\pm})^{1-\gamma}}{1-\gamma} (1-z_\pm)^{\gamma-1+\beta} \quad (8)$$

# Phasespace integration: s-channel resonance

For an s-channel resonance with mass  $M$  and width  $\Gamma$ , we define  $\tau = z_+ z_-$ ,  $\tau_M = M^2/s$ ,  $\tau_\Gamma = \Gamma^2/s$ , and introduce:

$$f_{\text{res}} = \frac{1}{(\tau - \tau_M)^2 + \tau_M \tau_\Gamma}, \quad f_{\text{nr}} = \frac{1}{(1 - \tau)^{1-2\beta}} \quad (9)$$

where  $f_{\text{res}}$  is corresponding to Breit-Wigner function, while  $f_{\text{nr}}$  is the  $\tau \rightarrow 1$  behavior of effective luminosity. Split into two channels:

$$1 = F_{\text{res}} + F_{\text{nr}}, \quad F_{\text{res}} = \frac{f_{\text{res}}}{f_{\text{res}} + f_{\text{nr}}}, \quad F_{\text{nr}} = \frac{f_{\text{nr}}}{f_{\text{res}} + f_{\text{nr}}} \quad (10)$$

- $F_{\text{nr}}$ : non-resonance channel, proceeding as before
- $F_{\text{res}}$ : resonance channel
  - first changing variables  $(z_+, z_-) \rightarrow (\tau, z_i)$ , where  $z_i = z_+$  or  $z_-$  randomly.
  - perform variable transformation on  $z_i$  as before
  - perform variable transformation on  $\tau$  by inverse of the integral of  $f_{\text{res}}$

$$\mathcal{B}_{kl}(y_+, y_-) \approx \sum_{n=1}^N b_{n,kl}^{(e^+)}(y_+) b_{n,kl}^{(e^-)}(y_-) \quad (11)$$

Currently:

$$N = 4, \quad k = e^+, \quad l = e^- \quad (12)$$

And (factorise leading behavior of  $y \rightarrow 1$ ):

$$\mathcal{B}_{e^+e^-}(y_+, y_-) = \hat{f}_{11} \delta(1 - y_+) \delta(1 - y_-) \quad (13)$$

$$+ (1 - y_+)^{\kappa} f_{01}(y_+) \delta(1 - y_-) \quad (14)$$

$$+ \delta(1 - y_+) (1 - y_-)^{\kappa} f_{10}(y_-) \quad (15)$$

$$+ (1 - y_+)^{\kappa} f_{00+}(y_+) (1 - y_-)^{\kappa} f_{00-}(y_-) \quad (16)$$

where  $\kappa = -2/3$

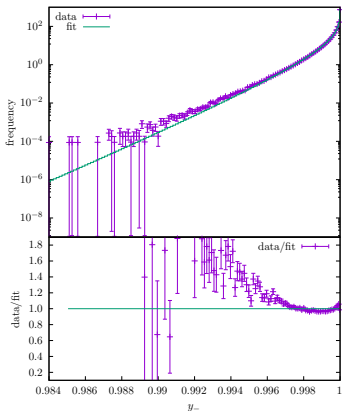
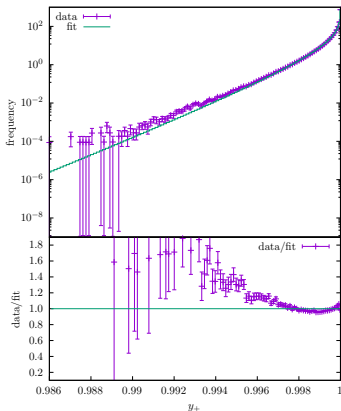
Currently fitting MC simulation:

- For any given collider, run GuineaPig with very high statistics
- Choose functional form for  $f_\alpha(y)$  functions(possibly collider-specific)
- Fit  $f_\alpha(y)$  on GuineaPig results

In future it may be determined from experiments.

For CEPC@240GeV:

$$f(y; p, q) = e^{p(1-y)} e^{q\sqrt{1-y}} \quad (17)$$



# Convolution beamstrahlung and ISR PDFs

The collider-level cross section can be written as:

$$d\Sigma_{e^+e^-} = \sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{ijkl} \int dx_+ dx_- \phi_{i/k,n,kl}^{(e^+)}(x_+, \mu^2) \phi_{j/l,n,kl}^{(e^-)}(x_-, \mu^2) \quad (18)$$

$$\times d\hat{\sigma}(x_+ P_{e^+}, x_- P_{e^-}, \mu^2) \quad (19)$$

with

$$\phi_{i,k,n,kl}^{(e^\pm)}(x, \mu^2) = \int dy dz \delta(x - yz) b_{n,kl}^{(e^\pm)}(y) \Gamma_{i/k}(z, \mu^2) \quad (20)$$

Process independent, hence once for all. The code for this convolution is included within MG5\_aMC.

The convoluted PDF has similar behavior as  $\Gamma$ , e.g.

$$\phi_{e^+,e^+,n,e^+e^-}^{(e^+)}(x, \mu^2) = (1-x)^{-1+\bar{\beta}} \hat{\phi}_{e^+,e^+,n,e^+e^-}^{(e^+)}(x, \mu^2) \quad (21)$$

where  $\bar{\beta} = \beta$  or  $\bar{\beta} = 1 + \kappa + \beta$

# Run MG5\_aMC 3.2.0 with lepton-collision specific features

- Generating process using the NLO template: LO only:

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>generate e+ e- > j j [LOonly=QCD]
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With QCD NLO:

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>generate e+ e- > j j [QCD]
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- Modifying the run\_card.dat:

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#####  
# Collider type and energy  
#####  
-3| = lpp1 ! beam 1 type (0 = no PDF)  
3| = lpp2 ! beam 2 type (0 = no PDF)  
120.0| = ebeam1 ! beam 1 energy in GeV  
120.0| = ebeam2 ! beam 2 energy in GeV  
#####  
# PDF choice: this automatically fixes also alpha_s(MZ) a  
#####  
cepc240ll = pdlabel ! PDF set  
244600| = lhaid ! If pdlabel=lhapdf, this is the lhap
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At  $e^+e^-$  colliders, MadGraph\_aMC@NLO currently can:

- QCD NLO+PS available long ago
- beamstrahlung(since 3.2.0)
- QED ISR(LL since 3.2.0)

In the near future:

- QED ISR at NLL
- EW NLO

# Backup slides

$$f(y; p, q) = e^{p(1-y)} e^{q\sqrt{1-y}} \quad (22)$$

$$f_{01}(y) = \hat{f}_{01} f(y; p_{01}, q_{01}) \quad (23)$$

$$f_{10}(y) = \hat{f}_{10} f(y; p_{10}, q_{10}) \quad (24)$$

$$f_{00+}(y) = \hat{f}_{00+} f(y; p_{00+}, q_{00+}) \quad (25)$$

$$f_{00-}(y) = \hat{f}_{00-} f(y; p_{00-}, q_{00-}) \quad (26)$$

i	$\hat{f}_i$	$p_i$	$q_i$	Integral
11	0.8698			
01	0.2863	-901.2	-19.30	0.06234
10	0.2853	-916.5	-18.70	0.06230
00+	0.3308	-899.2	-18.03	0.07308
00-	0.3303	-918.7	-17.48	0.07306
Sum				0.9998

At LL:

$$\beta = \frac{\alpha(\mu)}{\pi} \left( \ln \frac{\mu^2}{m^2} - 1 \right) \quad (27)$$

It depends on the hard scale  $\mu$  both implicitly through  $\alpha(\mu)$  and explicitly. For fixed scale choice such as  $\mu = \sqrt{s}$ ,  $\beta$  is fixed and we can choose  $\gamma = 1 - \beta$ , but it is impossible for dynamic choice (e.g.  $\mu = \sqrt{sZ_+Z_-}$ , as  $\mu$  is determined after determining the phasespace point.

$$\Gamma_{e^\pm/e^\pm} = \frac{e^{3\beta/4 - \gamma_E \beta}}{\Gamma(1 + \beta)} \beta (1 - z)^{\beta - 1} - \frac{\beta}{2} h_1(z) - \frac{\beta^2}{8} h_2(z) \quad (28)$$

$$h_1(z) = 1 + z \quad (29)$$

$$h_2(z) = \frac{1 + 3z^2}{1 - z} \ln(z) + 4(1 + z) \ln(1 - z) + 5 + z \quad (30)$$

$$\beta = \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \left( \ln \frac{\mu^2}{m^2} - 1 \right) \quad (31)$$