

MadGraph

one hour tutorial on matrix element generation

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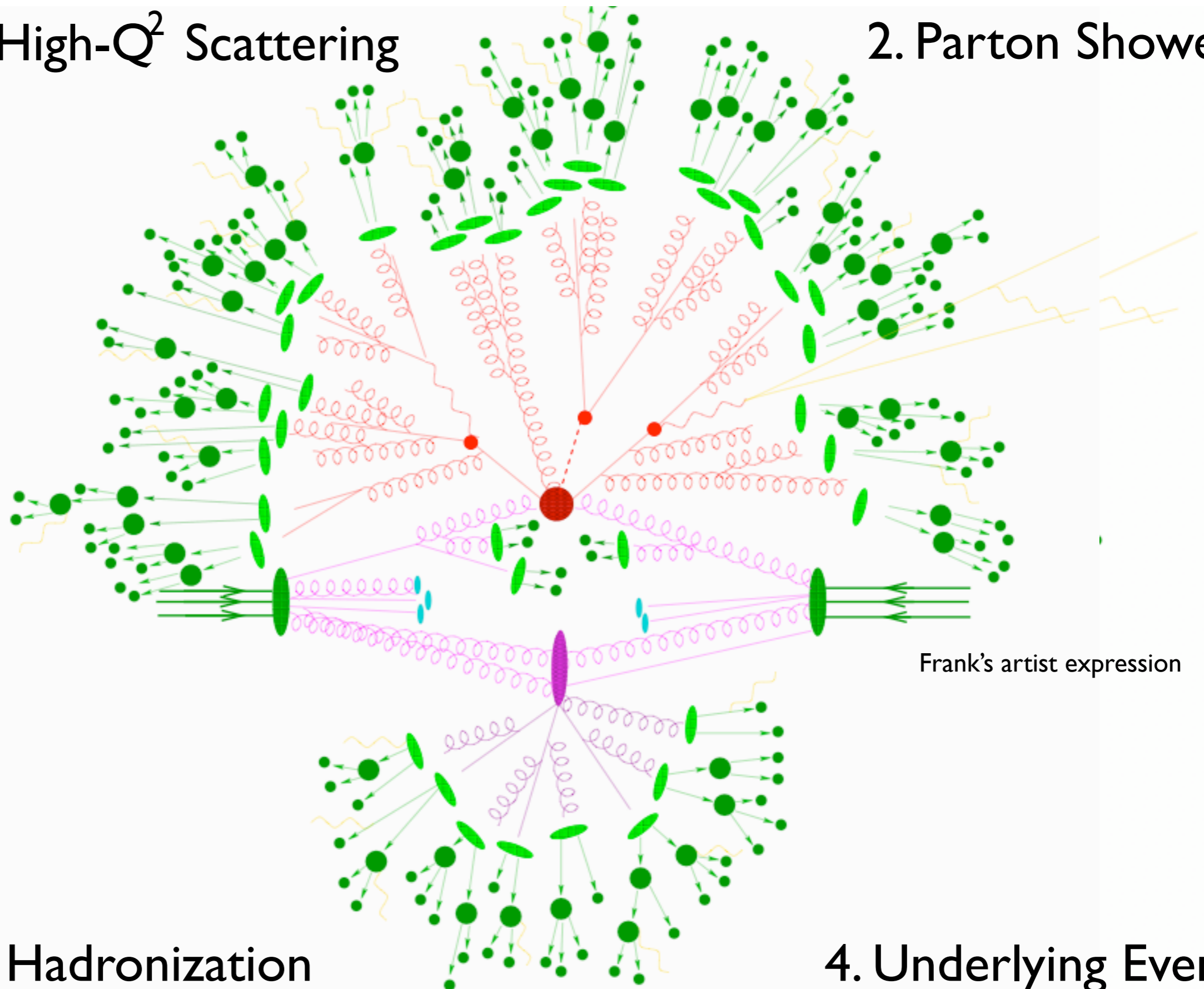
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Frank's artist expression

3. Hadronization

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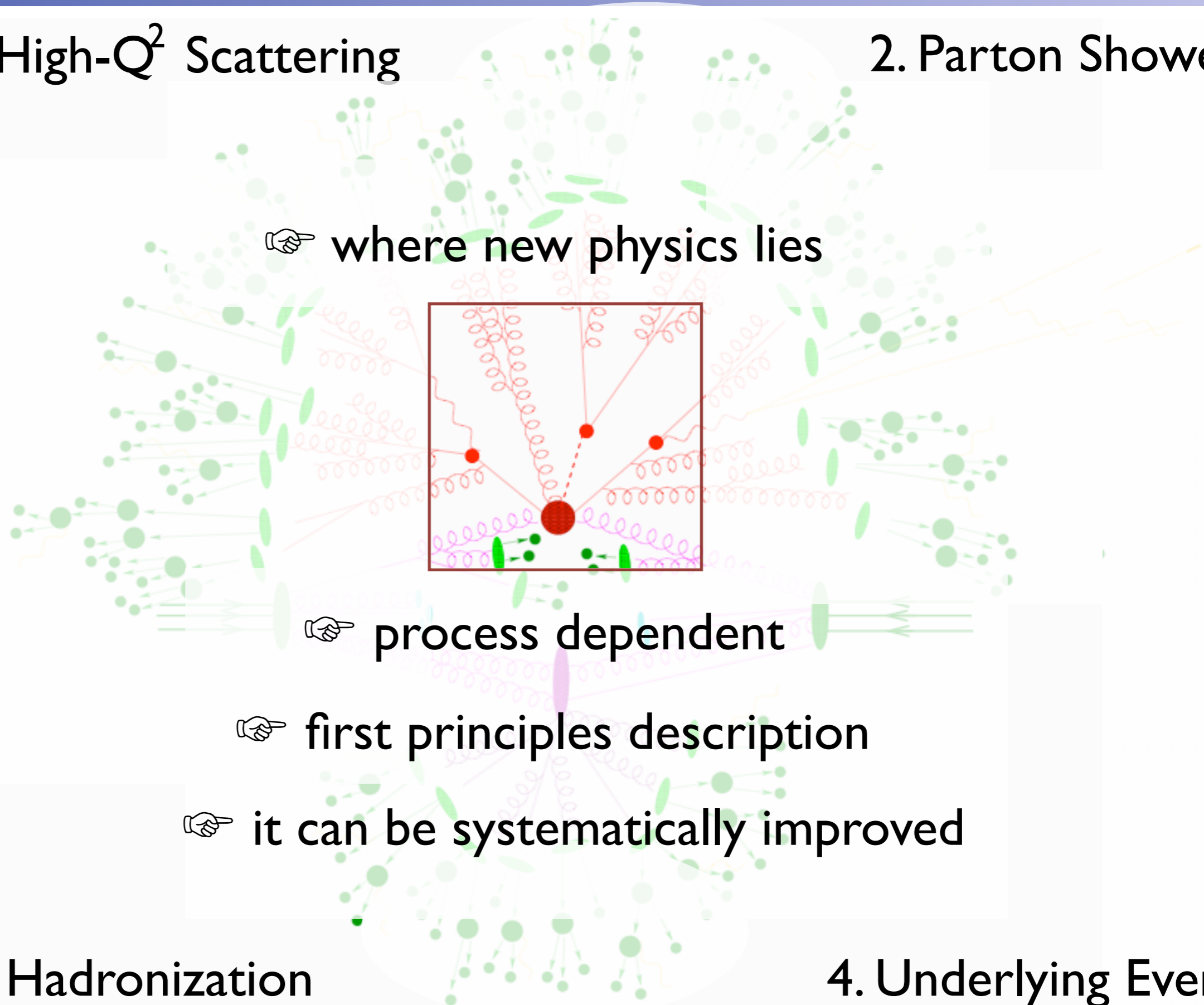


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where new physics lies

process dependent

first principles description

it can be systematically improved

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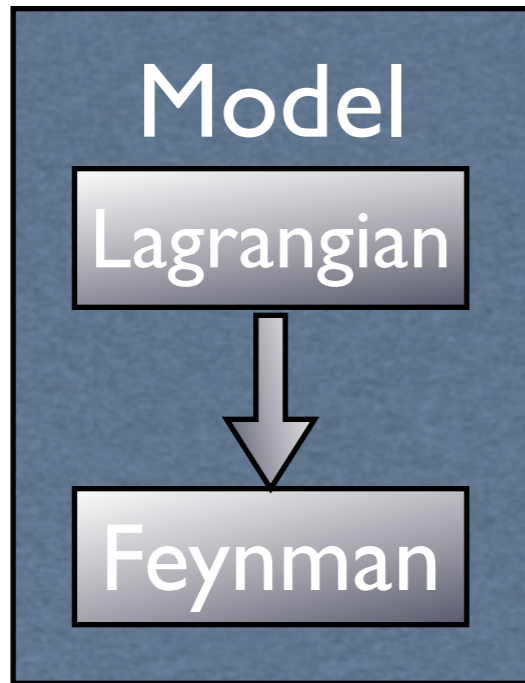


My Charge: Tree-level matrix element generators

What are they useful for?

1. Easy and fast cross sections and decay widths calculators
2. Embedded in multipurpose SM and BSM MonteCarlo's
3. Allow numerical checks of analytic calculations (e.g., Reals in NLO and NNLO calculations)
4. Advanced analysis methods (Matrix Elements)

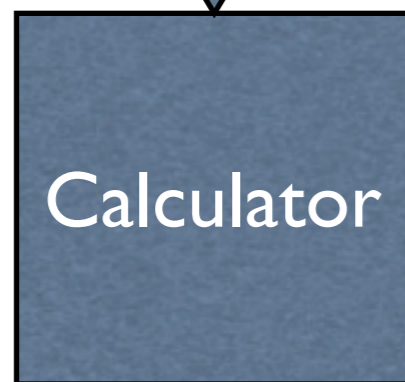
Matrix Element based MC's



Invent a model, renormalizable or not, with new physics. Write the Lagrangian and get the Feynman Rules.

The particles content, the type of interactions and the analytic form of the couplings in the Feynman rules define the model at tree level.

Interfaced to **FeynRules**



Parameters Calculator.

Given the “primary” couplings, all relevant quantities are calculated: masses, widths and the values of the couplings in the Feynman rules.

Caution: tree-level relations have to be satisfied to avoid gauge violations and/or wrong branching ratios.

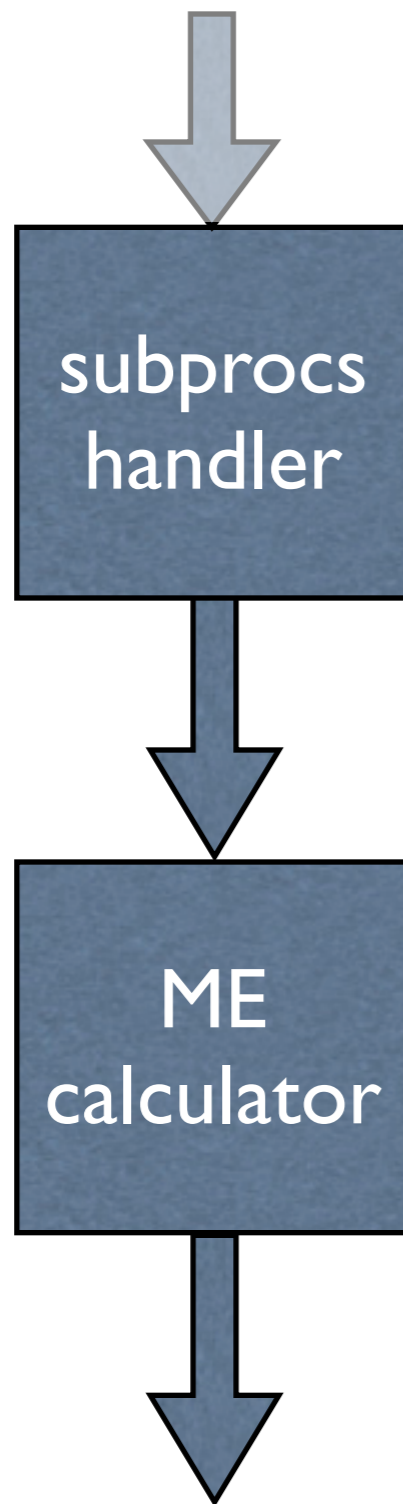
SUSY, Little Higgs, Higgsless, GUT, Extra dimensions (flat, warped, universal,...)

FeynHiggs, ISAJET, NMHDecay, SOFTSUSY, SPHENO, SUSPECT, SDECAY...

Les Houches interface



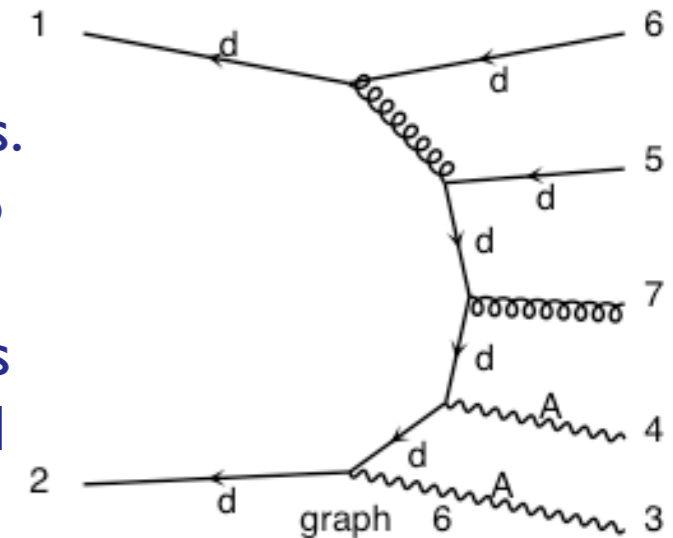
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Includes all possible subprocess leading to a given multi-jet final state automatically

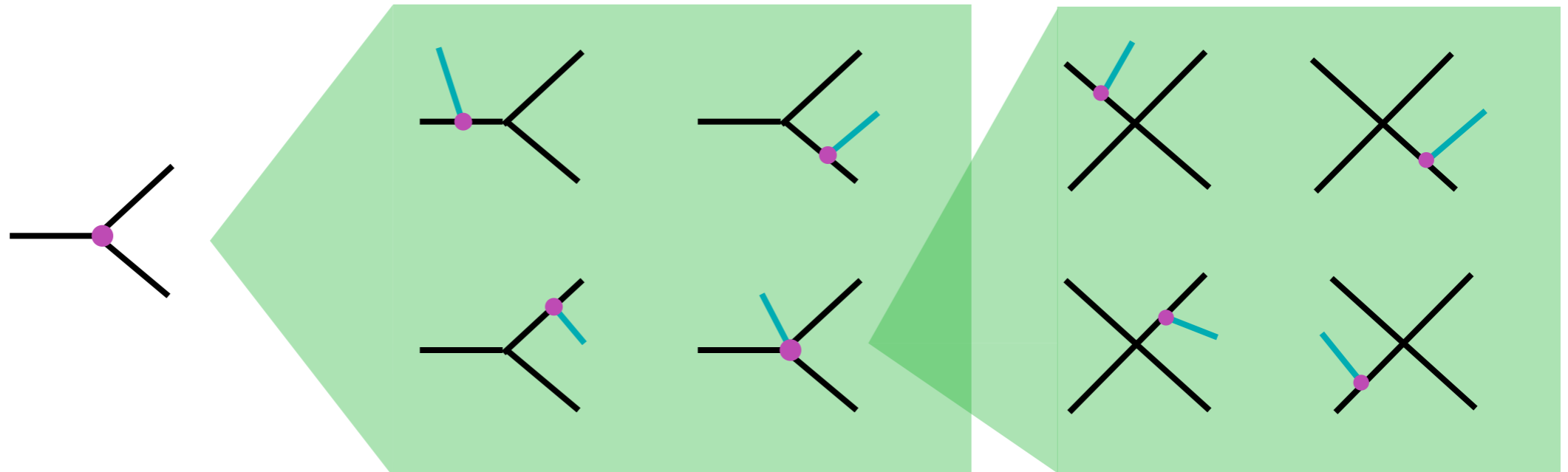
Automatically generates a code to calculate $|M|^2$ for arbitrary processes. Most use Feynman diagrams w/ tricks to reduce the factorial growth [MadGraph, SHERPA], others have recursive relations to reduce the complexity to exponential [AlpGen, HELAC, Comix].

$d\bar{d} \rightarrow aa\bar{u}\bar{u}g$
 $d\bar{d} \rightarrow aa\bar{c}\bar{c}g$
 $s\bar{s} \rightarrow aa\bar{u}\bar{u}g$
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How are the diagrams generated?

I. Generate the topologies



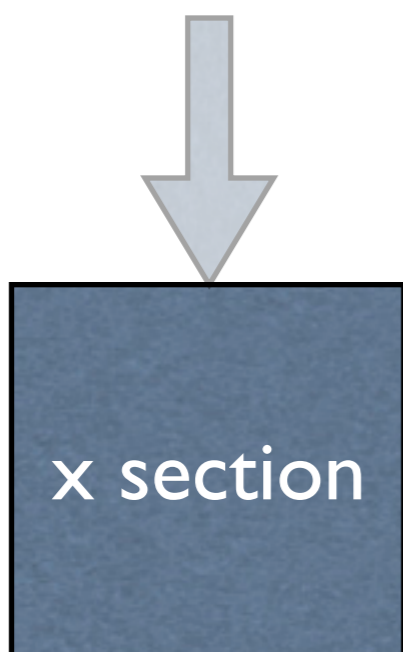
2. Dress the topologies with particles starting from the external particles and checking the existence of the corresponding vertices.

3. Write out a code based on the Feynman rules library.

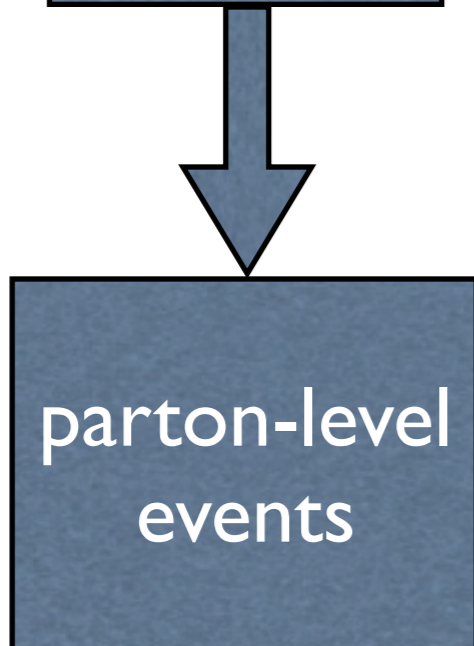
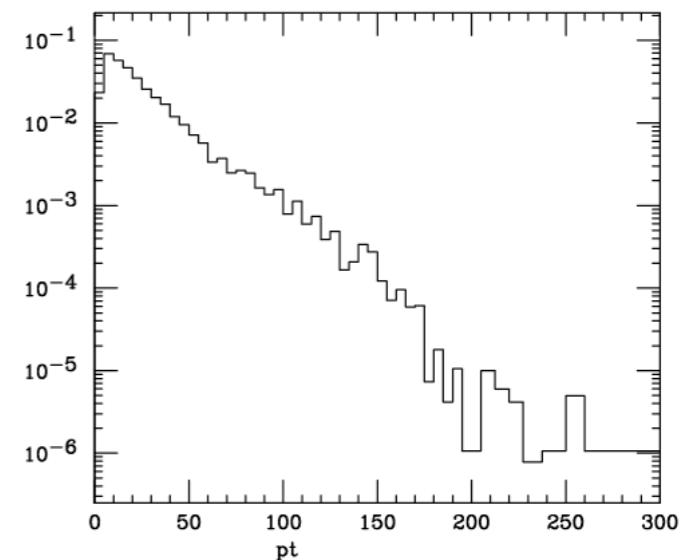
“Only” a book-keeping problem!



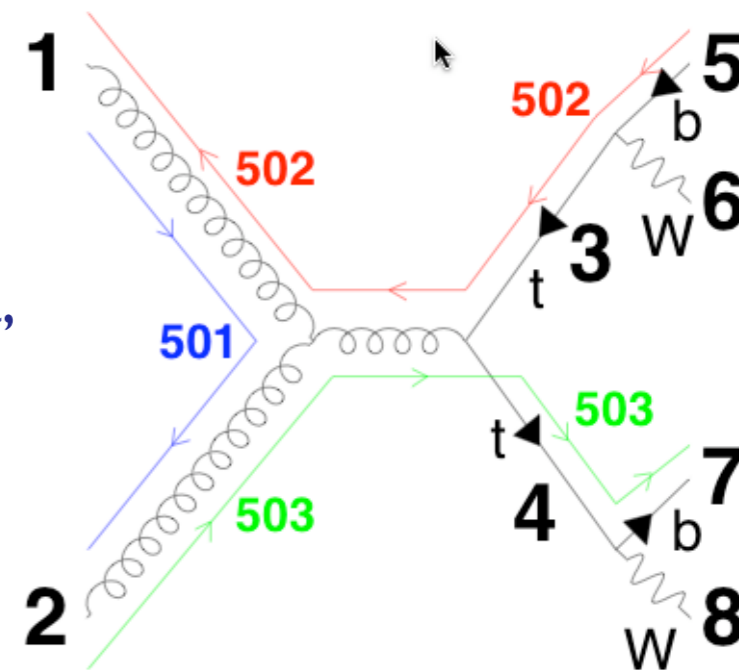
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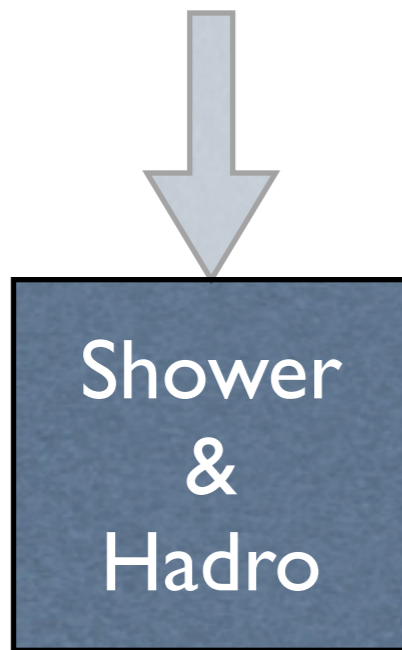
Integrate the matrix element over the phase space using a multi-channel technique and using parton-level cuts.



Events are obtained by unweighting. These are at the parton-level. Information on particle id, momenta, spin, color and mother-daughter is given in the Les Houches format.

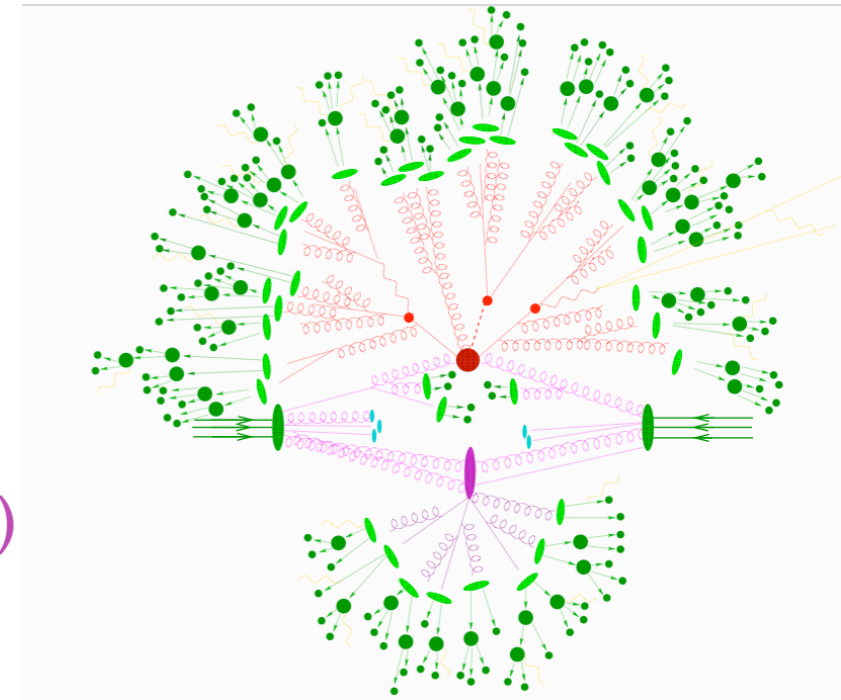


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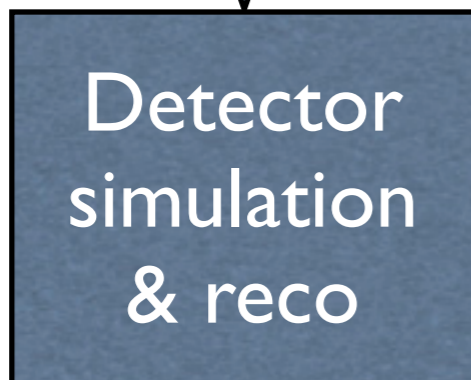
Events in the LH format are passed to the showering and hadronization \Rightarrow high multiplicity hadron-level events

Parton-Jet merging (MLM or CKKW) happens here!

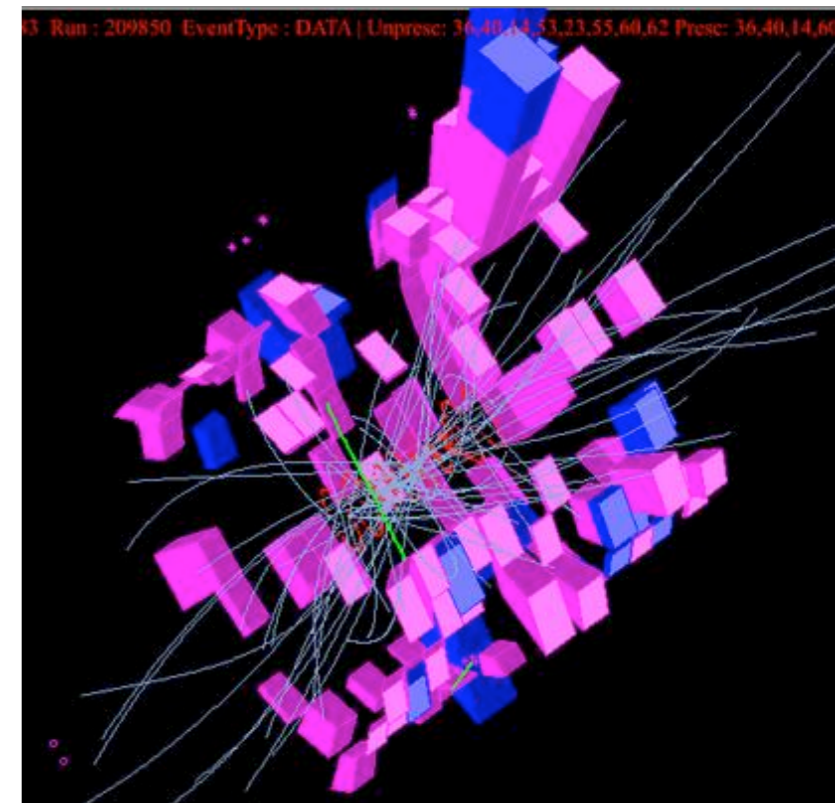


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Events in stdhep format are passed through fast or full simulation, and physical objects (leptons, photons, jet, b-jets, taus) are reconstructed.



MadGraph/MadEvent v4

[J. Alwall et al., arXiv:0706.2334]

- **The new web generation:**
 - User requests a process (Ex. $pp \rightarrow tt \sim jjj$) and corresponding code is generated on the fly.
 - User inputs model/parameters/cuts, and code runs in parallel on modest farms.
 - MG/ME Returns cross section, plots, parton-level events.
- **Advantages:**
 - Reduces overhead to getting results
 - Events can easily be shared/stored
 - Quick response to user requests and to new ideas!
- **Limitations:**
 - Optimization on single procs limited by generality
 - Tree-level amplitudes based on Feynman diagrams

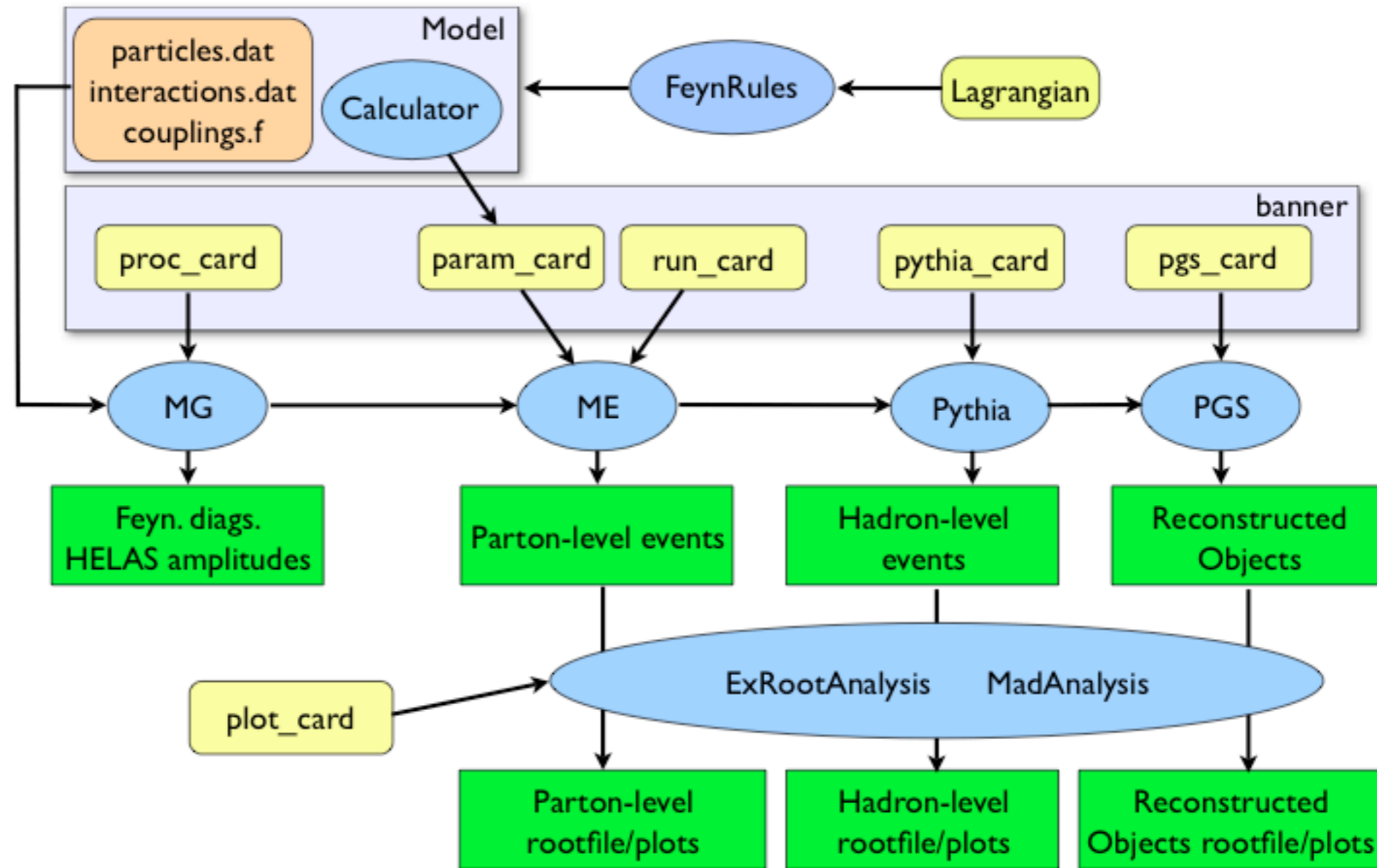
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- Personal web databases
- Complete simulation on the web: MadEvent → Pythia → PGS
- Multi-processes in single code & generation
- Cross section and decay width calculations
- Standalone version for theorists
- New complete models : SM, HEFT, MSSM, 2HDM
- USRMOD & interface to FeynRules: New Models implementation
- Les Houches Accord (LHEF) for parton-level event files and Les Houches Accord 2 for model parameters
- Merging w/ Parton Showers (k_T a la MLM) w/ Pythia



FlowChart



MadGraph on the Web



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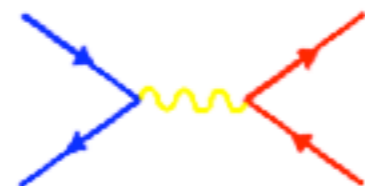
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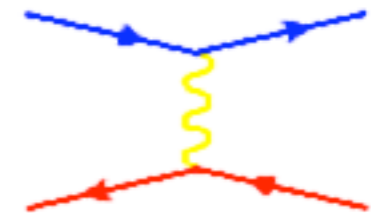
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<http://madgraph.roma2.infn.it/>



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UCL UIUC Fermi
by the MG/ME Development team



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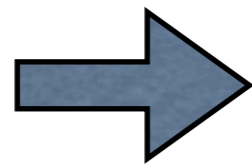
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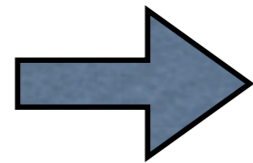
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Three medium size clusters public access (+private clusters). ~1500 registered users.

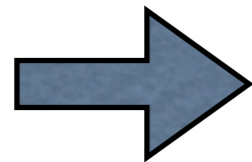
Showroom



Movie 1



Movie 2



<http://madgraph.hep.uiuc.edu/>

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Let's plug ... & play!

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3. $t\bar{t} + \text{Higgs}$: $pp \rightarrow h \rightarrow t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ (QCD=2, QED=2). Generate the background $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ (QCD=99, QED=0) and put a min cut on the $m(b\bar{b}) = 100$ GeV.
4. Single top + Higgs: $pp \rightarrow tHj$ (QCD=0, QED=3, $j=gudsc$, $p=gudscb$). Show that there is a large negative interference between the diagrams.
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- Tools and Calculators
- Full expert/developer's package downloadable
- Standalone
- MadWeight
- New physics models : FeynRules and USERMOD

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Multi-processes

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http://madgraph.phys.ucl.ac.be/EXAMPLES/Cards/proc_card_2.dat
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#-----*
# Process(es) requested : mg2 input *
#-----*
# Begin PROCESS # This is TAG. Do not modify this line
pp>h>tt-bb- @1 # First Process: signal for tt-h
QCD=2 # Max QCD couplings
QED=2 # Max QED couplings
end_coup # no more couplings for this proc

pp>tt-bb- @2 # Second Process: QCD background tt-bb-
QCD=99 # Max QCD couplings
QED=0 # Max QED couplings
end_coup # no more couplings for this proc

pp>tt-bb-/h @3 # First Process: EW background tt-bb-
QCD=2 # Max QCD couplings
QED=2 # Max QED couplings
end_coup # no more couplings for this proc

done # Write 'done' to tell MG to stop

# End PROCESS # This is TAG. Do not modify this line
#-----*
# Model information *

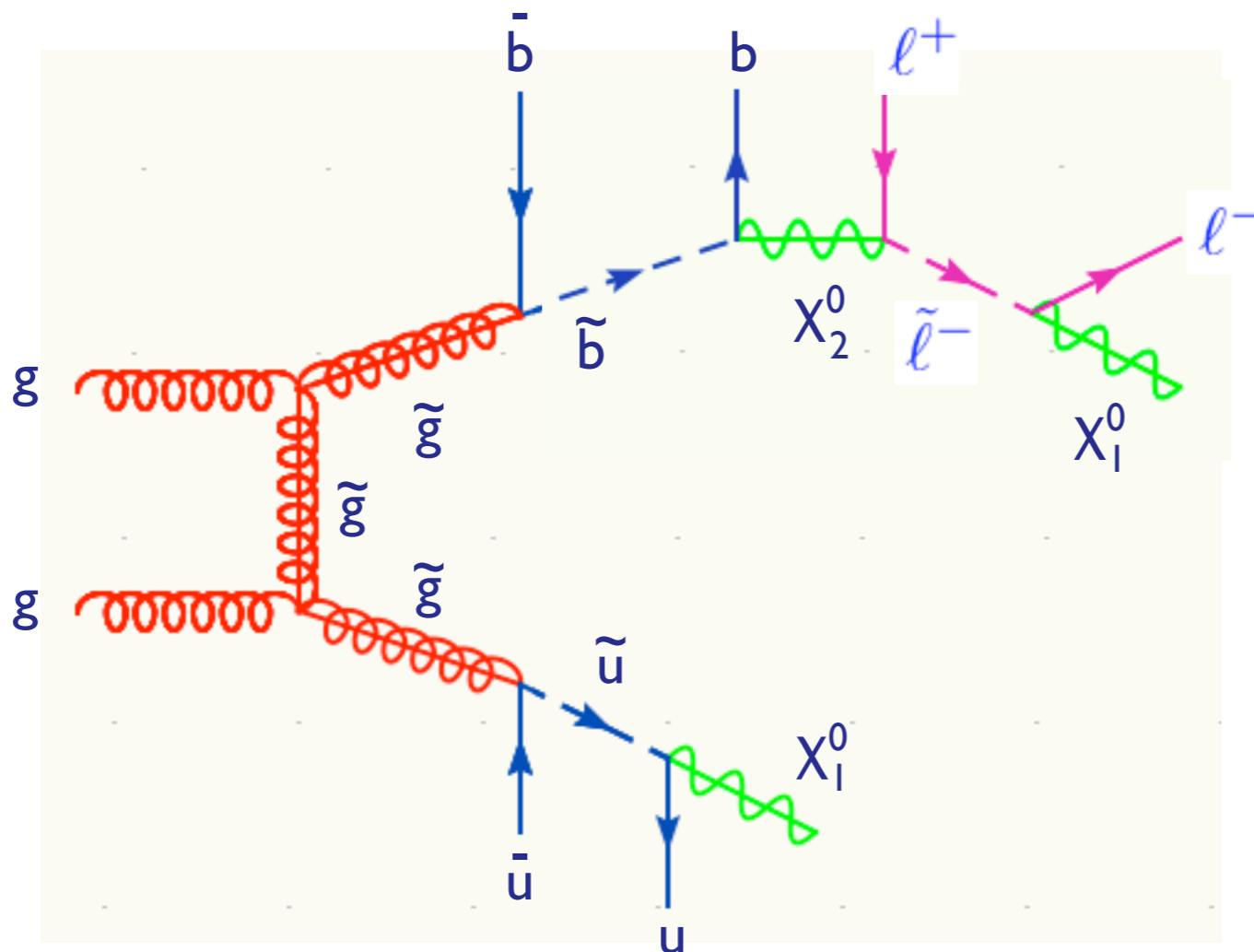
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Decay chains

[Alwall and Stelzer,2007]

$$gg \rightarrow (g \rightarrow u \sim (u \rightarrow u \ n1)) (g \rightarrow b \sim (b \rightarrow (b \rightarrow (n2 \rightarrow \mu^+ (\mu \rightarrow \mu^- \ n1))))))$$



In this case:

1. Full matrix element is obtained which includes correlations between production and decays.
2. Spin of the intermediate states is kept.
3. One can go beyond $1 \rightarrow 2$ decays.
4. Resonances have BW.
5. Non-resonant contributions can be systematically included only where relevant.

Example simplification: the process can exactly factorized in

$$gg \rightarrow (g \rightarrow u \sim u \ l) (g \rightarrow b \sim b \ l)$$

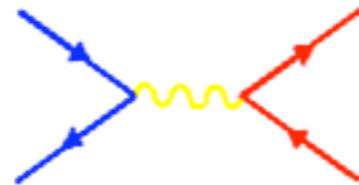
where the squarks can be decayed at the event level, for example by BRIDGE

$$u \ l \rightarrow u \ n1$$

$$b \ l \rightarrow b (n2 \rightarrow \mu^+ (\mu \rightarrow \mu^- \ n1))$$

[Maede and Reece,2007]

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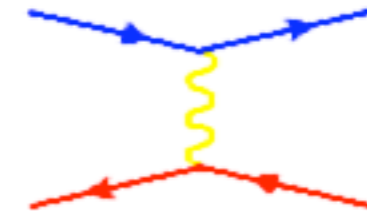
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Online MadGraph/MadEvent related tools

[Calculators](#)

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[Decay Interface](#)

Installing the MG/ME & analysis routines:

1. Get the full thing:

```
wget http://madgraph.phys.ucl.ac.be/Downloads/MG\_ME\_V4.2.11.tar.gz;  
tar zxvf MG_ME_V4.2.11.tar.gz;  
cd MG_ME_V4.2.11
```

2. Get a very simple LHE and LHCO event analyzer:

```
wget http://madgraph.phys.ucl.ac.be/Downloads/MadAnalysis\_V1.0.7.tar.gz;  
tar zxvf MadAnalysis_V1.0.7.tar.gz
```

3. make

4. Install topdrawer :

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cd MadAnalysis; wget http://madgraph.phys.ucl.ac.be/Downloads/td.tgz
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MadGraph Standalone

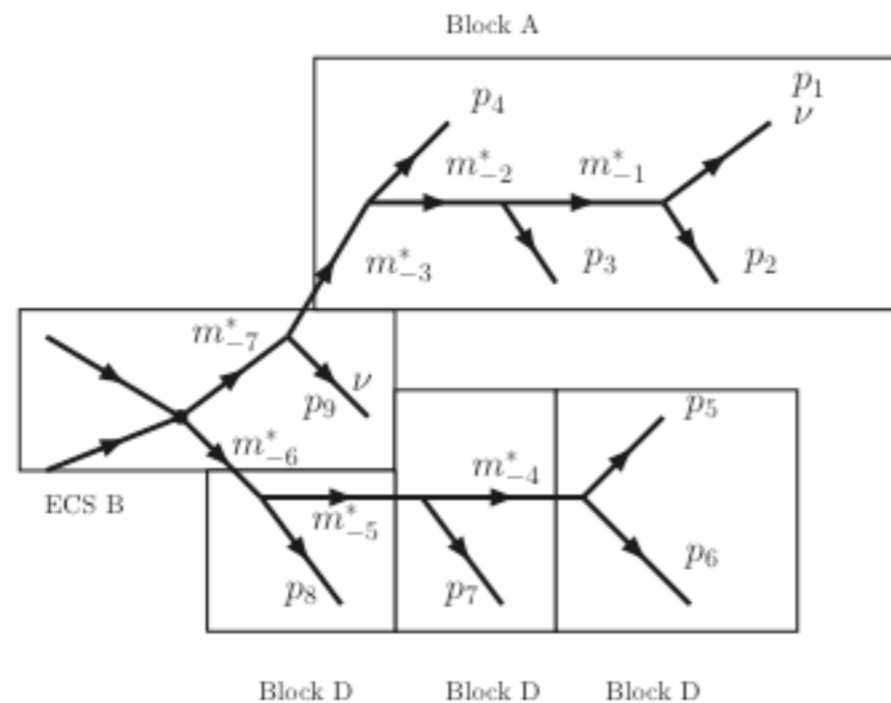
- “Naked” Matrix elements can be also generated to be EXPORTED to any other ME MC or used in higher order computations.
- Matrix elements can be tested point-by-point in phase space AUTOMATICALLY for ANY process.
- Model and parameters are included in a small library (easy to compare different model implementations).

<http://cp3wks05.fynu.ucl.ac.be/twiki/bin/view/Software/StandAlone>

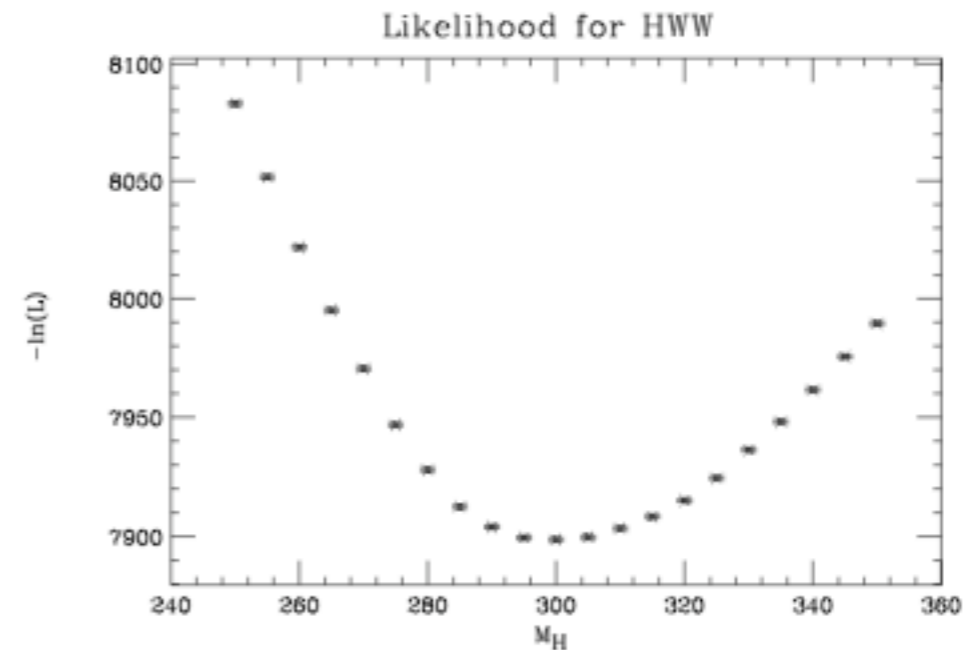
Matrix element methods

[Artoisenet, Lemaitre, FM, Mattelaer]

- Tool to find matrix element weight of experimental events for (almost) any process in any model.



Phase space integration
using automatic change of
variables to align with peaks



Find likelihood for model
parameters (here Higgs
mass in $h \rightarrow WW$)

<http://cp3wks05.fynu.ucl.ac.be/twiki/bin/view/Software/MadWeight>

code available on demand

Automatic dipole subtraction

[Frederix, Greiner, in progress]

$$\sigma^{\text{NLO}} = \int_{m+1} \left[d^{(4)}\sigma^R - d^{(4)}\sigma^A \right] + \int_m \left[\int_{\text{loop}} d^{(d)}\sigma^V + \int_1 d^{(d)}\sigma^A \right]_{\epsilon=0}$$

- Goal: Automatic Dipole Subtraction for any NLO calculation
 - Catani-Seymour subtraction scheme
 - Reals & subtraction terms for the reals and virtuals
 - Both for SM and BSM
 - Compatible with MG StandAlone
- Beta version working!

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Q&A

- Max particles in the final state
 - ▶ It depends on the process type. Max number of jets is 4. Max number of particles in general is 8. We are adding the decay chain feature which will allow to select (gauge invariant) subclasses of diagrams leading to higher multiplicities. In any case presently there is a maximum number of 10^4 diagrams per process allowed.
- Is it possible to have $e^+ e^-$ polarized beams in the initial state?
 - ▶ Yes. There is now an option available in the `run_card.dat`
- How do I generate signal and background together from the web?
 - ▶ Use the `upload proc_card.dat` option in the generate process web page. Look at the process card examples.

Q&A

- How long does it take to generate events?
 - ▶ It strongly depends on the process and on how many subprocesses there are. Simple $2 \rightarrow 2,3,4$ processes might take up to several. Multi-jet final state can take several hours. This means that care and responsibility is needed when requests are sent to the clusters. Time = \$
- How do I make my own plots?
 - ▶ You can use the web tool. Or you can use Root by exploiting the root files created on the web. Or MadAnalysis which produces ASCII files in the topdrawer format (easily importable in gnuplot). This last option is very flexible and very easy.
- Is it possible to make scans of parameters space of a model?
 - ▶ Yes. You download the MG/ME code and write a simple script, starting for example from bin/multi_run. Using a calculator, you can prepare the corresponding cards (param_card_xx.dat) and then feed them one after the other, by saving the results.



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