

# The Power of Automated Numerics: Application of HELAC-NLO in $pp \rightarrow ttbb$



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$$A = \sum_{I \in \{1,2,\dots,n\}} \int \frac{\mu^{4-d} d^d \bar{q}}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{\bar{N}_I(\bar{q})}{\prod_{i \in I} \bar{D}_i(\bar{q})} \qquad \bar{D}_i(\bar{q}) = (\bar{q} + p_i)^2 - m_i^2, \quad i = 1,2,\dots,n$$
$$A = \sum_i d_i Box_i + \sum_i c_i Triangle_i + \sum_i b_i Bubble_i + \sum_i a_i Tadpole_i + R$$

- Determination of coefficients via reduction method **OPP** and **CUTTOOLS**
- Evaluation of scalar functions **ONELOOP**
- Phase space integration of subtracted real radiation and integrated dipoles
- Massless and massive cases included
- Extended for arbitrary polarizations. Monte Carlo over polarization states of external particles



Collection of possible contributions



## First Application: NLO QCD corrections to $pp \rightarrow ttbb$

# **NLO calculations**

- Irreducible background to **ttH** production where Higgs boson decays into a bb pair
- NLO corrections to  $2 \rightarrow 4$  processes current technical frontier





- Organizer of the Helmholtz Alliance workshop
- 2<sup>nd</sup> 3<sup>th</sup> of June 2009, Wuppertal University
- 33 Participants. Experts in the field !
- Physicists from Belgium, France, Germany, Greece, Netherlands, Poland, Spain, Switzerland, United Kingdom and United States



Varying renormalization and factorization scale up or down by a factor 2 changes cross section by 70% in LO and 33% in NLO



### **Publications**

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