

# Using the ALHEP program for calculation of one-loop radiative corrections

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# Motivation

## Multi-purpose MC generators

'Black box' generators:

- MadGraph
- SHERPA
- MC@NLO, ...

- **No access to internal formulae**  
 - **Not flexible enough**  
*(e.g.: how to use Stokes parameters for photon polarization – ?)*

Sufficient discrepancy  
between generator results

*theoretical  
uncertainty*

We still need a **flexible** generator for:

- full automation of NLO computations in a 'black-box' mode
- access to all initial, internal and final symbolic expressions
- **independent cross-check for every part of calculation**

Symbolic algebra based:

- FeynCalc
- FormCalc, ...

- **Access to all internal formulae**  
 - **Efficiency of MC generator – ?**

No multi-purpose generator  
for forward region

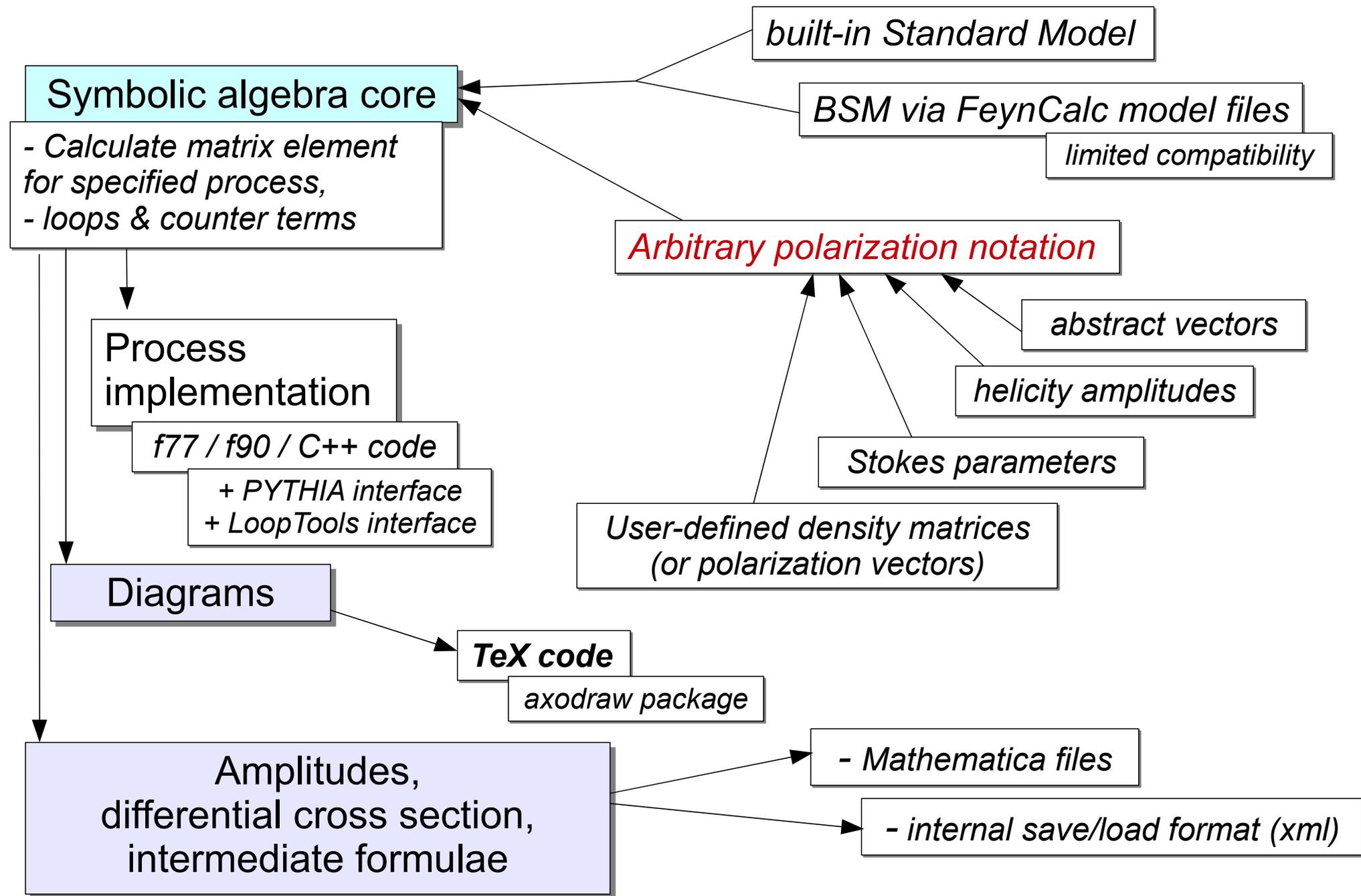
## Symbolic algebra core

*Pure C++ logic is more flexible than Mathematica, FORM, ...*

- Calculate amplitudes or squared matrix element
- evaluate traces
- simplify / minimize number of gamma-matrices in expression
- N-dimensional evaluation of loop diagrams
- reduce tensor virtual integrals to scalar ones
  - try to replace numerator with a sum of denominators (using kinematic relations)
  - solve linear system for general case
  - or retain complicated tensor integrals (and use LoopTools for them)
- **simplify using kinematic relations between momenta & couplings**
  - find the shortest representation for expressions
- **minimize number of sum-and-multiply operations**
  - for faster numerical code
- create Mathematica code for symbolic expressions
- create C++ or Fortran code for numerical analysis

<http://www.hep.by/alhep>

## ALHEP program



# Scripts & diagrams

C-like command script

Symbolic algebra core

- Calculate matrix element for specified process,
- loops & counter terms

Process implementation

f77 / f90 / C++ code

Diagrams  
TeX code

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SetKinematics<2, 3 // 2->3 process
, PROTON, "p_1", "e_1" // p
, ELECTRON, "k_1", "g_1" // e
, PROTON, "p_2", "e_2" // p
, ELECTRON, "k_2", "g_2" // e
, PHOTON, "k", "g" // gamma
>;
SetDiagramPhysics<PHYS_QED;PHYS_PROTON_STRUCTFUNC>;

SetPolarized<1, 0>; SetPolarized<2, 0>;
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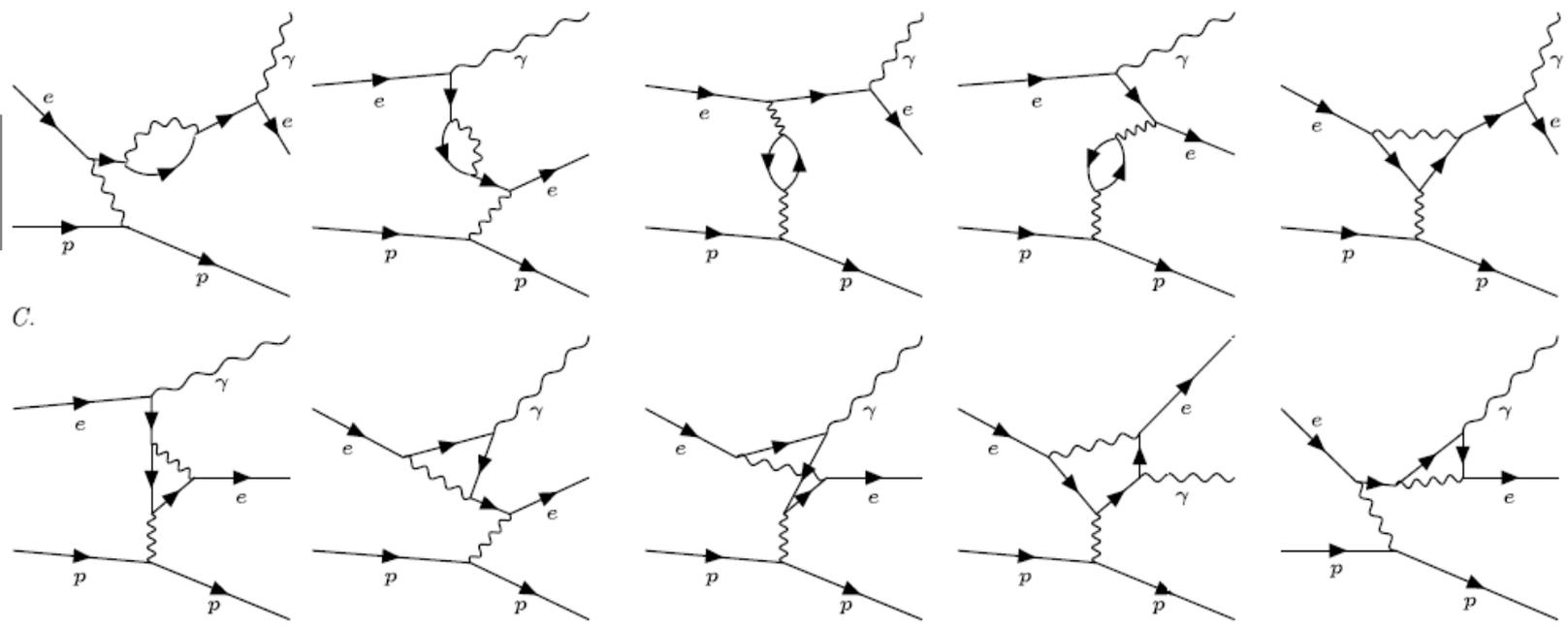
diagsB = ComposeDiagrams<3>; //e^3 order
DrawDiagrams<diagsB, texfile>;
diags = ComposeDiagrams<5>; //e^5 order
DrawDiagrams<diags, texfile, DD_DEFAULT;DD_DONT_SWAP_TALES>;

mesqr = SquareME<RetrieveME<diags>, RetrieveME<diagsB>>;
mesqr = KinArrange<mesqr>;

mesqr = Evaluate<mesqr>;
mesqr = ConvertInvariantUI<KinSimplify<KinArrange<mesqr>>>;
mesqr = CalcScalarUI<mesqr>; // use pre-calculated values
mesqr = SingularArrange<KinArrange<mesqr>>;
SetNDimensionSpace<0>;
mesqr = KinSimplify<KinArrange<mesqr>>;
Save<"mesqrRes.xml", mesqr>; // save as XML

mesqr = Minimize<mesqr>;
SaveNB<nbfile, mesqr>; // save as nb

f = NewCodeFile<"BHRes2.cpp", CODE_CPP>;
CreateCodeProc<f, "BHRes", mesqr, CODE_REAL8>;
    
```



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## ALHEP 2.0

- Specify process and polarization states

## Generator project

## Sub-process mixing

## Sample plots

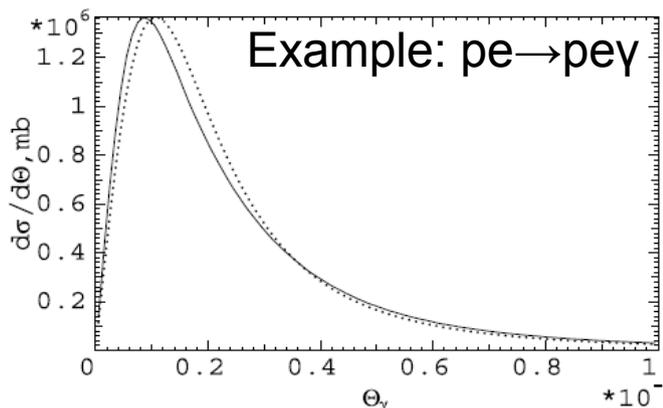
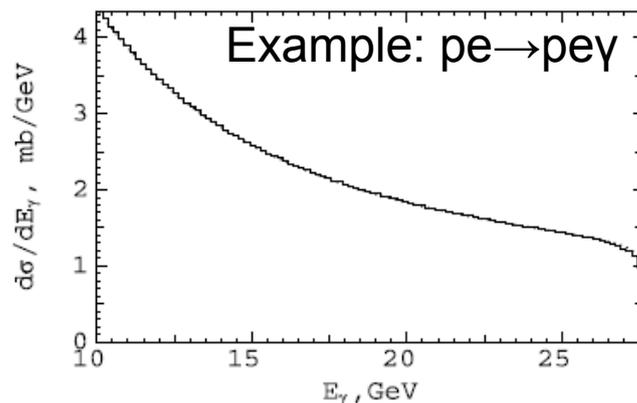
## Event files

- LHE format
- other formats

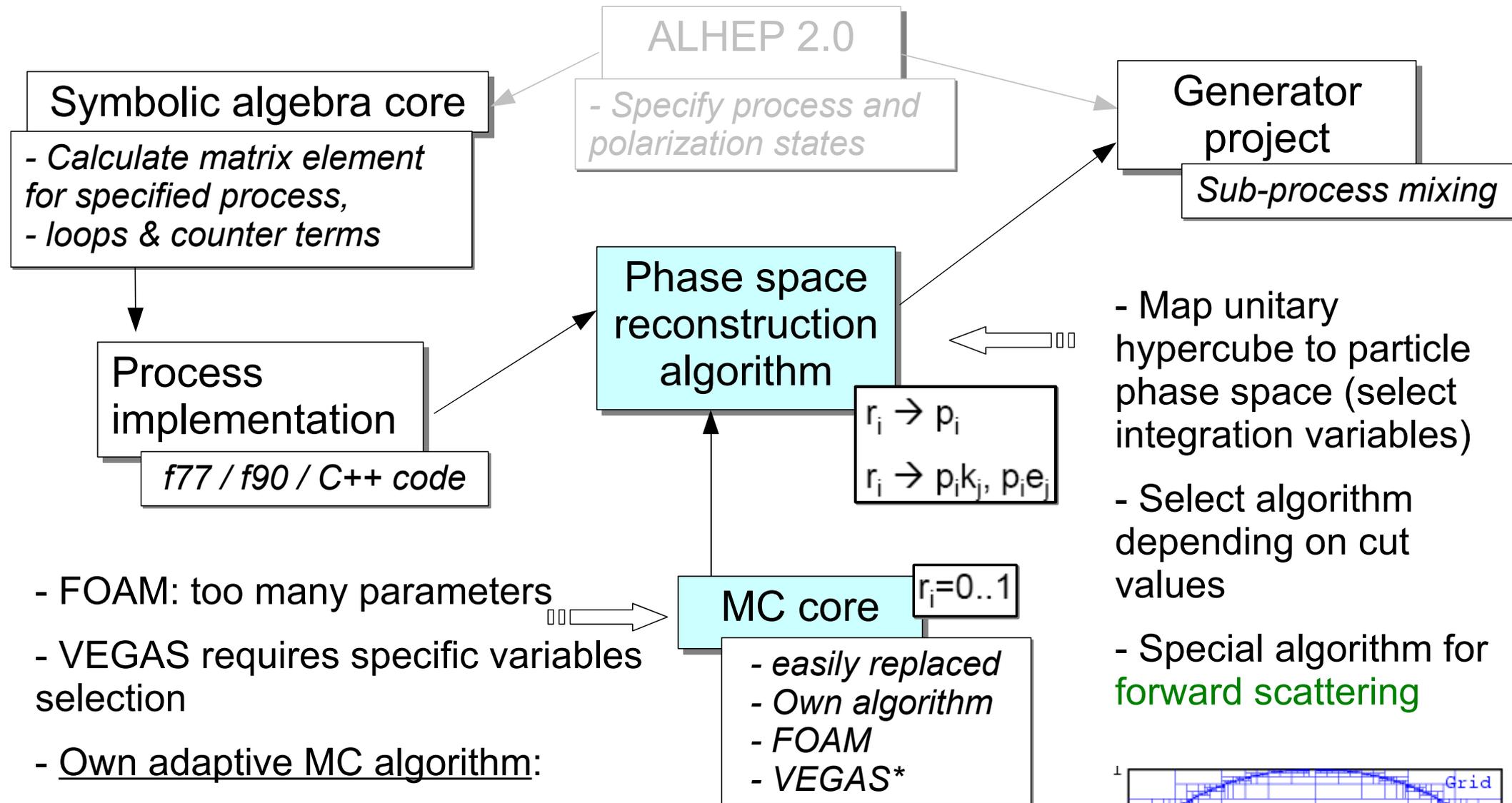
PYTHIA, ...  
showering, etc.

Analysis  
routines

- Automatic creation of generator project for numerical analysis
- Single 'Run' script command
- Adaptive MC core
- Unweighted event output
- User access to event generation loop code  
+ sample histogram filling

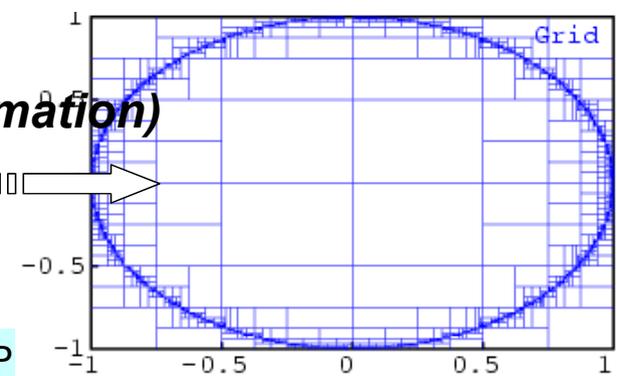


# Generator structure



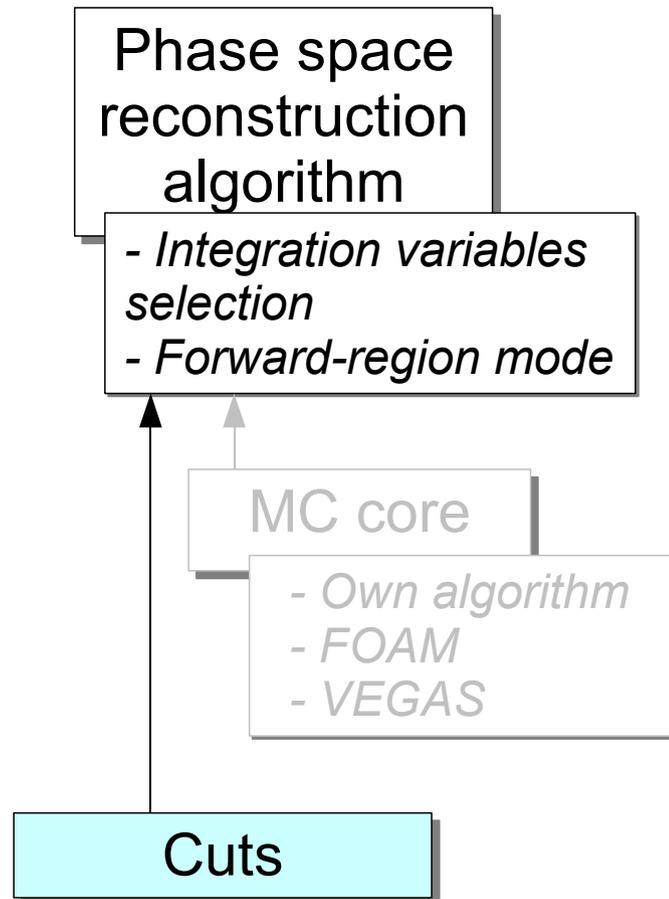
- FOAM: too many parameters
- VEGAS requires specific variables selection
- Own adaptive MC algorithm:

- Step 1: pre-integration (split volume according to fast approximation)**
- Step 2: integration (split volume according to exact function)**  
- **uses function derivatives** for better peak detection
- Step 3: unweighted event generation**



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- The phase space reco algorithm is automatically selected to avoid integration cuts (if possible)

- Allows to avoid simple cuts  $E_{min} < E < E_{max}$

Phase space reconstruction algorithm

- Integration variables selection  
- Forward-region mode

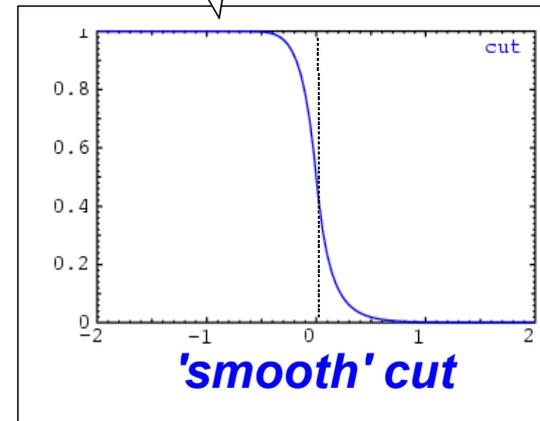
MC core

- Own algorithm  
- FOAM  
- VEGAS

Cuts

- 'Smooth' cuts for pre-integration step

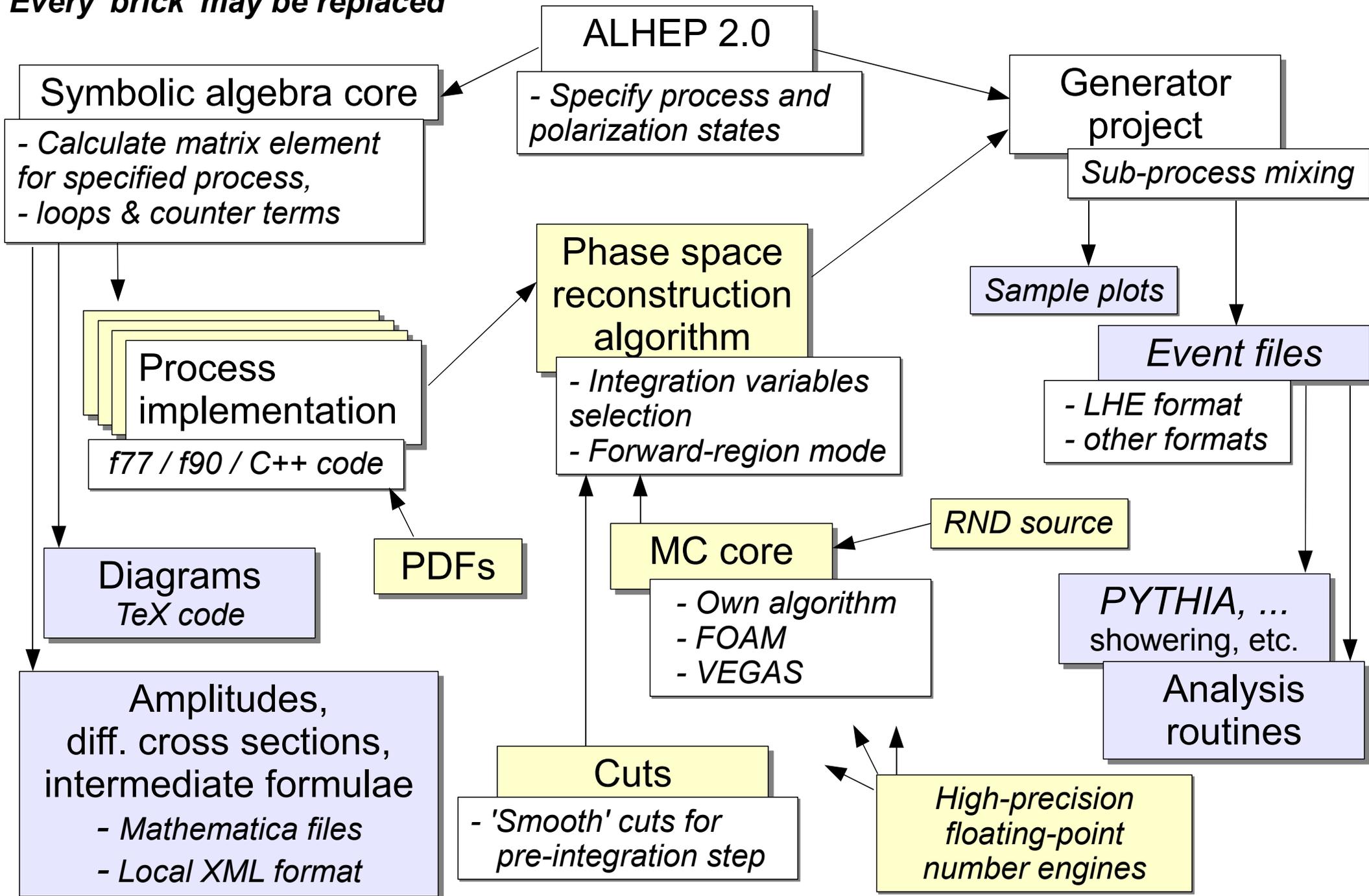
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A smooth function is used at the pre-integration step to compose initial volume splitting grid

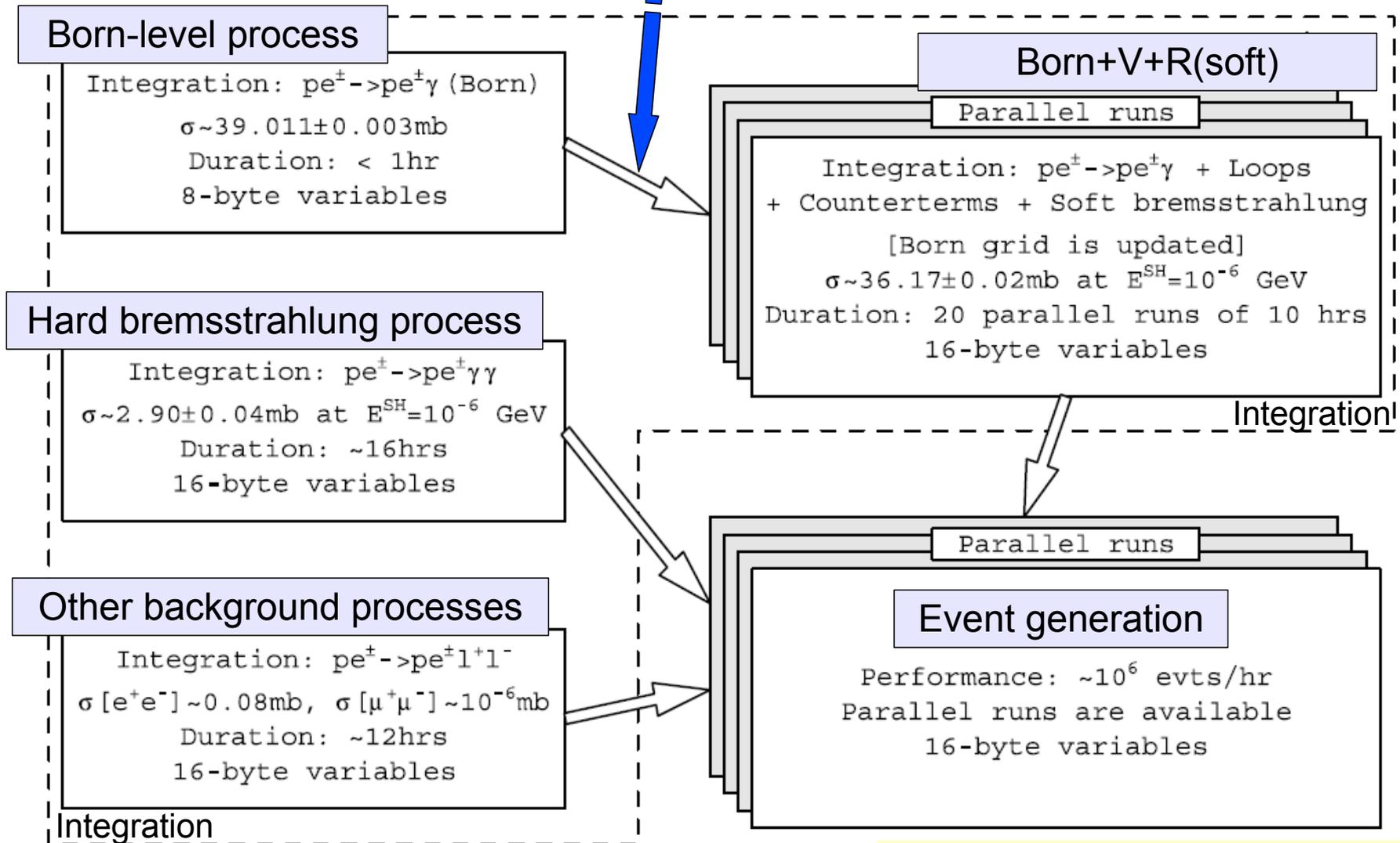
# Brick-based architecture

*Every 'brick' may be replaced*



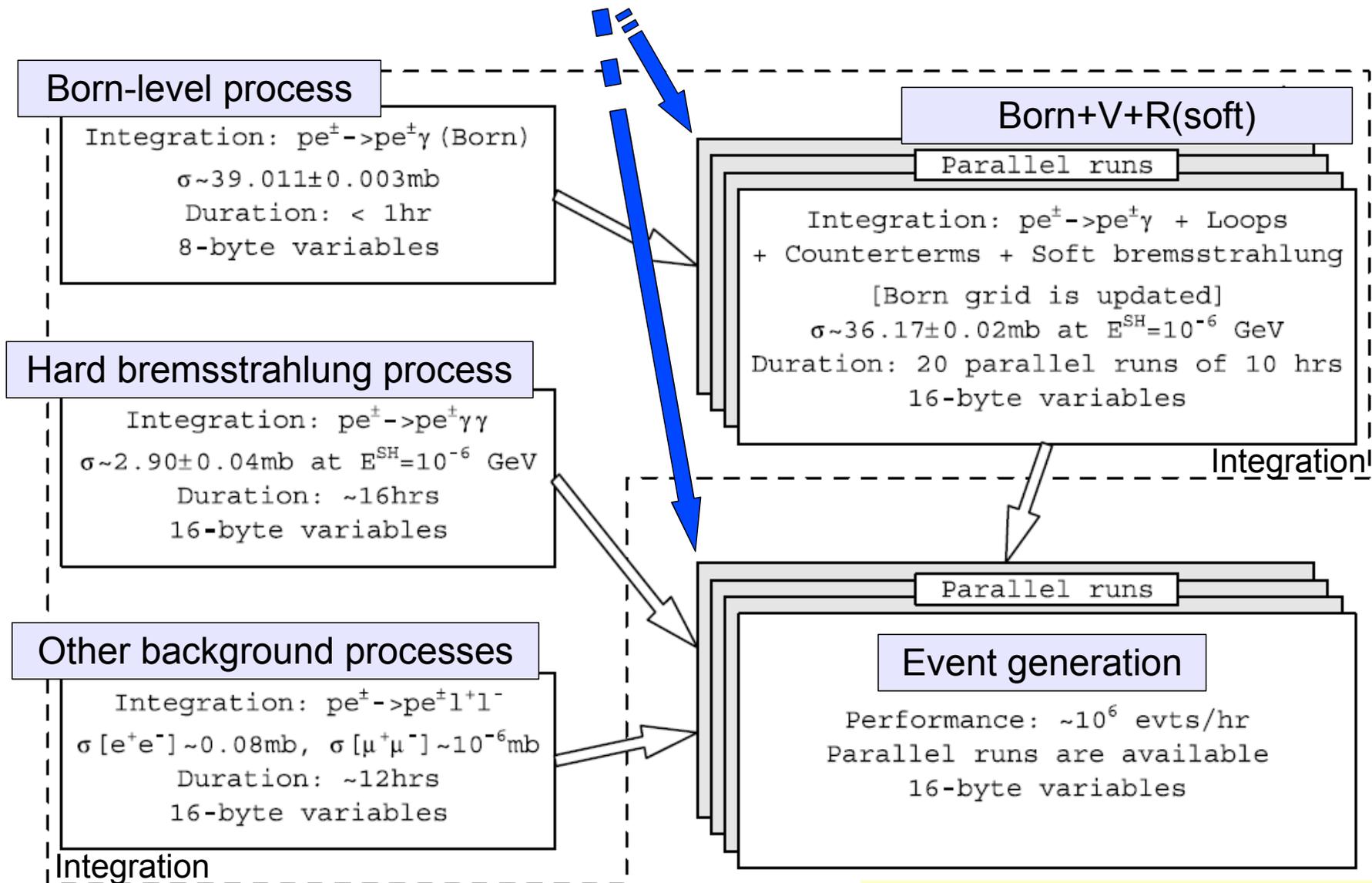
# Generator usage example

The differential cross section term Born + Loops + Soft bremsstrahlung is integrated using **Born-level volume splitting grid**



**Example:  $pe^+ \rightarrow pe^+\gamma$  with forward photon**  
*Eur.Phys.J.C71:1574,2011*

**Parallel computations** are implemented wherever it is possible



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  - *forward region generator option*
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# Conclusions and current status

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Current status:

- **algebraic calculations**
  - LO – *ready*
  - one-loop RC (including regularization, renormalization, and hard bremsstrahlung) – *ready*
  - BSM processes – *more tests are required*
- **automation of generator composing**
  - LO – *ready*
  - one-loop RC – *partial automation*

(manual edition of C++ generator code is still required for some operations: link processes, select separator values, check the generator consistency, parallel runs, ...)
- internal MC core – *ready*

**+more debug is required**