From Raw Data to Physics Results







"Executive Summary"

The whole story in a nutshell

Some more details

- Introduction
- A simple example : Z decays
- A more complicated example : Jets

How is it done in practice?

- Track and Calorimeter energy reconstruction
- High-level algorithms : Jets
- The computing part

Summary

- Disclaimer : Several slides based on past CSS lectures by B. Jacobsen
- thanks also to J. Weng, T. Punz, A. Valassi





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"But you should not leave immediately after this...."















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process and detector simulation





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Simulation of many (millions) of events

- Simulate physics process
 e.g. e⁺e⁻ → hadrons
 or p p → jets
- plus the detector response to the produced particles
- understand detector response and analysis parameters (lost particles, resolution, efficiencies, backgrounds)
- and compare to real data
- Note : simulations present from beginning to end of experiment, needed to make design choices







And now let's go a little bit more into the details ...







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The goal is to understand in the most general; that's usually also the simplest. - A. Eddington











eg. the Standard Model











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cross sections (probabilities for interactions), branching ratios (BR), ratios of BRs, specific lifetimes, ...

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electric charges of quarks, in units of electron charge

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Muonic final state

- two charged tracks, approx. back-to-back, with expected momentum (~ 1/2 Есм)
- right number of muon hits in outer layers (muons very penetrating, traverse whole detector)
- expected energy in calorimeter
 (electrons deposit all their energy, muons leave little)

$\widehat{\mathsf{W}}$ A "simple" counting experiment Φ ETH Institute for Particle Physics

































rather Z decay to $\tau + \tau^-$, one tau decayed to electron + 2 neutrinos the other tau decayed to muon + 2 neutrinos








Not muonic, rather hadronic final state









For E_{CM} below the Z peak and above the Υ resonance we expect:

$$\begin{array}{c} R = N_c \sum_f z_f^2 = N_c \cdot [(\frac{2}{3})^2 + (-\frac{1}{3})^2 + (-\frac{1}{3})^2 + (\frac{2}{3})^2 + (-\frac{1}{3})^2] = N_c \cdot \frac{11}{9} \\ \text{u} \quad \text{d} \quad \text{s} \quad \text{c} \quad \text{b} \end{array}$$

























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Note : small remaining difference : because of QCD correction (gluon radiation) = 1 + α_s / π





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$$\varepsilon = 0.50 \pm 0.05$$

from statistical error of detector simulation
imperfect modeling of geometry in simulation
model of muon interactions in simulation, etc

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"The greater the obstacle, the more glory in overcoming it." (Moliere)

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Goal

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- measure probability that quarks/gluons are produced with a certain energy, at a certain angle
- Problem : do not observe quarks and gluons directly, only hadrons, which appear collimated into jets
- Reconstruct tracks and/or energy clusters in the calorimeter



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What do we have to measure? Determination of the particle Physics















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♀ clear : need some algorithmic definition. See later..

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How is all this done in practice?

"The only place you'll find SUCCESS before WORK is in the dictionary" (May B. Smith)

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Track finding

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 combine to look for separated vertices, indicating particles with long lifetimes





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In case of straight line $(y(x) = \theta x + d)$ or, eg., helix in case of magnetic field present



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1D straight line fit as simple case 9 Two perfect measurements away from interaction point no measurement uncertainty just draw a straight line through them and extrapolate **Imperfect** measurements give less precise results 6 the farther you extrapolate, the less you know Smaller errors and more points help to constrain the possibilities. 9 But how to find the best point from a large set of points? Quantitatively also lecture by G. Cowan parameterize a track: $y(x) = \theta x + d$) or, eg., helix in case of magnetic field present In case of straight line (-predicted track position at ith hit position of ith hit $n_{\rm hits}$ Find track parameters by Least-Squares-Minimization ĕ Obtain also uncertainties on track parameters See $\delta \theta$ δd uncertainty of ith measurement G. Dissertori : From raw data to physics results

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- This is Multiple Scattering
 - Charged particles passing through matter "scatter" by a random angle

$$\left(\sqrt{\langle \theta_{\rm MS}^2 \rangle} = \frac{15 \,{\rm MeV}/c}{\beta p} \sqrt{\frac{\rm thickness}{X_{\rm rad}}}\right)$$

examples:

- 300 micron Si : RMS = 0.9 mrad $/\beta p$
- 1 mm Be : RMS = 0.8 mrad $/\beta p$
- → leads to additional position errors

 θ_{MS}



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- leads to O(n) computations!
- in each step, make extrapolation to next layer, using information from current track parameters, expected scattering error, and measurement at next layer
- Needs a starting estimate (seed) and may need some iterations, smoothing
- Finite This method is based on theory of the Kalman Filter





Calorimeter energy reconstruction




- Reconstruct energy deposited by charged and neutral particles
- Determine position of deposit, direction of incident particles
- Be insensitive to noise and "un-wanted" (un-correlated) energy





resolution!

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Simple example of an algorithm

- Scan for seed crystals = local energy maximum above a defined seed threshold
- Starting from the seed position, adjacent crystals are examined, scanning first in φ and then in η
- Along each scan line, crystals are added to the cluster if
 - 1. The crystal's energy is above the noise level (lower threshold)
 - 2. The crystal has not been assigned to another cluster already
 - 3. The previous crystal added (in the same direction) has higher energy





Careful tuning of thresholds needed

- needs usually learning phase
- adapt to noise conditions
- too low : pick up too much unwanted energy
- too high : loose too much of "real" energy. Corrections/Calibrations will be larger
- Sometimes several clustering stages, in order separate or combine nearby clusters







Jet Algorithms

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Jets in DØ

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- Introducing a cone prescription seems "natural"...
- But how to make it more quantitative?
 - don't want people "guessing" at whether there are 2,3, ... jets







The natural (?) definition of a jet in a hadron collider environment

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Summary

"Doing something ordinary is a waste of time" (Madonna)

What wasn't covered



- Details on track fitting, Kalman filters
- Secondary Vertex finding
- Alignment
- Particle Identification
- Calibration techniques, "in-situ" methods
- Particle/Energy flow
- Trigger menus, their studies
- more details on parameter fitting,
 eg. lifetime and mass measurements
- how to estimate systematic errors
- Databases, persistent data storage
- Programming languages in use (F77, C, C++, JAVA, ...)









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