

The importance of higher log resummation in extending CKKW to NLO



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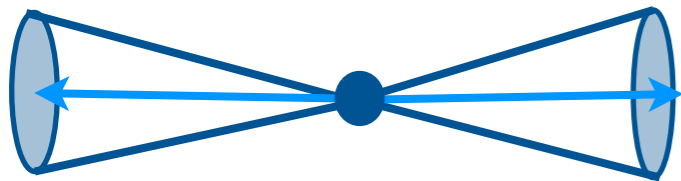
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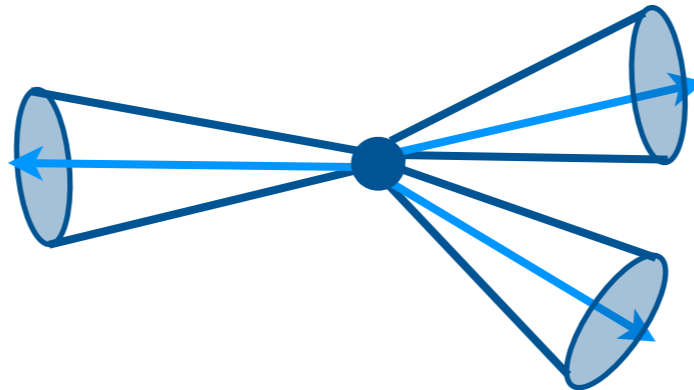
The idea of merging is to calculate exclusive cross-sections and combine them to form an inclusive sample

For example, inclusive hadronic cross section at e^+e^- can be separated into individual jet cross-sections

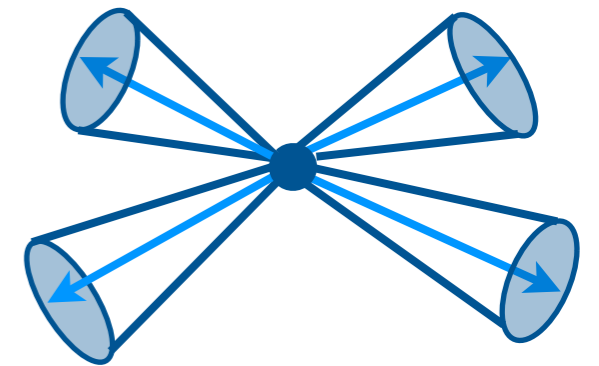
2 jets



3 jets



4 jets



Many ways to define jets but all need resolution μ_{jet}

For $\mu_{\text{jet}} \ll Q$ ($\alpha_s \text{Log}^2(\mu_{\text{jet}}/Q) \sim 1$) needs LL resummation
(This is main point of CKKW paper)

What happens if we try to extend to NLO?

A simple setup using thrust illustrates all the important features

1. Choose thrust as the jet resolution variable ($\tau = 1-T$)

$\tau < \tau_{\text{cut}} \Rightarrow 2$ jets, $\tau > \tau_{\text{cut}} \Rightarrow 3+$ jets

2. Imagine we only ever measure thrust on 3+ jet

$$d\sigma/d\tau = \int d\Phi_3 \, d\sigma_3/d\Phi_3 \, \delta[\tau - \tau(\Phi_3)]$$

$$\sigma^{\text{incl}} = \sigma_2(\tau^{\text{cut}}) + \int d\tau \frac{d\sigma_3^{\text{incl}}}{d\tau} \theta(\tau > \tau^{\text{cut}})$$

PT expressions for both terms contain large logarithms

$$L_{\text{cut}} = \text{Log}(\tau_{\text{cut}})$$

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Form of these logarithms well known

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For exclusive 2-jet rate

$$\sigma_2(\tau^{\text{cut}}) \sim 1 + \alpha_s(L_{\text{cut}}^2 + L_{\text{cut}} + 1) + \alpha_s^2(L_{\text{cut}}^4 + L_{\text{cut}}^3 + L_{\text{cut}}^2 + L_{\text{cut}} + 1) + \dots$$

For inclusive 3-jet rate

$$\frac{d\sigma_3^{\text{incl}}}{d\tau} \sim \alpha_s \left[\frac{L}{\tau} + \frac{1}{\tau} + \delta(\tau) + 1 \right] + \alpha_s^2 \left[\frac{L^3}{\tau} + \frac{L^2}{\tau} + \frac{L}{\tau} + \frac{1}{\tau} + \delta(\tau) + 1 \right] + \dots$$

LL resummation [all terms $(\alpha_s L_{\text{cut}}^2)^n$] needed if

$$\alpha_s L_{\text{cut}}^2 \sim 1$$

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Some definitions I will use

$\Delta(1, \tau)$: Sudakov Factor

$P(\tau) \equiv \frac{d \log \Delta(1, \tau)}{d\tau}$: Splitting function

Conservation of probability
(fundamental theorem of calculus)

$$\Delta(1, \tau^{\text{cut}}) + \int_{\tau^{\text{cut}}}^1 d\tau P(\tau) \Delta(1, \tau) = 1$$

With this notation, can illustrate what other approaches are doing

$$\sigma^{\text{incl}} = \sigma_2(\tau^{\text{cut}}) + \int d\tau \frac{d\sigma_3^{\text{incl}}}{d\tau} \theta(\tau > \tau^{\text{cut}})$$

Original CKKW prescription

$$\sigma_2(\tau^{\text{cut}}) = \sigma^{\text{LO}} \Delta(1, \tau^{\text{cut}}) \qquad \frac{d\sigma_3^{\text{incl}}}{d\tau} = \frac{d\sigma_3^{\text{LO}}}{d\tau} \Delta(1, \tau)$$

Inclusive cross-section gives

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma^{\text{incl}} &= \sigma^{\text{LO}} \Delta(1, \tau^{\text{cut}}) + \int_{\tau^{\text{cut}}}^1 d\tau \frac{d\sigma_3^{\text{LO}}}{d\tau} \Delta(1, \tau) \\ &= \sigma^{\text{LO}} \Delta(1, \tau^{\text{cut}}) + \sigma^{\text{LO}} \int_{\tau^{\text{cut}}}^1 d\tau P(\tau) \Delta(1, \tau) + \int_{\tau^{\text{cut}}}^1 d\tau \left[\frac{d\sigma_3^{\text{LO}}}{d\tau} - \sigma^{\text{LO}} P(\tau) \right] \Delta(1, \tau) \\ &= \sigma^{\text{LO}} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s L_{\text{cut}}) \end{aligned}$$

LO accuracy for both σ^{incl} and $d\sigma_3^{\text{incl}}$

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Powheg prescription

$$\sigma_2(\tau^{\text{cut}}) = \sigma^{\text{NLO}} \tilde{\Delta}(1, \tau^{\text{cut}}) \quad \frac{d\sigma_3^{\text{incl}}}{d\tau} = \frac{\sigma^{\text{NLO}}}{\sigma^{\text{LO}}} \frac{d\sigma_3^{\text{LO}}}{d\tau} \tilde{\Delta}(1, \tau) \quad \tilde{P}(\tau) = \frac{1}{\sigma^{\text{LO}}} \frac{d\sigma_3^{\text{LO}}}{d\tau}$$

Inclusive cross-section gives

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma^{\text{incl}} &= \sigma^{\text{NLO}} \tilde{\Delta}(1, \tau^{\text{cut}}) + \int_0^{\tau^{\text{cut}}} d\tau \frac{\sigma^{\text{NLO}}}{\sigma^{\text{LO}}} \frac{d\sigma_3^{\text{LO}}}{d\tau} \tilde{\Delta}(1, \tau) \\ &= \sigma^{\text{NLO}} \end{aligned}$$

NLO accuracy for σ^{incl} , LO accuracy for $d\sigma_3^{\text{incl}}$

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MC@NLO prescription

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Inclusive cross-section gives

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma^{\text{incl}} &= \tilde{\sigma}^{\text{NLO}} \Delta(1, \tau^{\text{cut}}) + \int_{\tau^{\text{cut}}}^1 d\tau \left[\tilde{\sigma}^{\text{NLO}} P(\tau) \Delta(1, \tau) + \frac{d\sigma_3^{\text{LO}}}{d\tau} - \sigma^{\text{LO}} P(\tau) \right] \\ &= \tilde{\sigma}^{\text{NLO}} + \int_0^1 d\tau \left[\frac{d\sigma_3^{\text{LO}}}{d\tau} - \sigma^{\text{LO}} P(\tau) \right] - \int_0^{\tau^{\text{cut}}} d\tau \left[\frac{d\sigma_3^{\text{LO}}}{d\tau} - \sigma^{\text{LO}} P(\tau) \right] \\ &= \sigma^{\text{NLO}} - \int_0^{\tau^{\text{cut}}} d\tau \left[\frac{d\sigma_3^{\text{LO}}}{d\tau} - \sigma^{\text{LO}} P(\tau) \right] \end{aligned}$$

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Modified MC@NLO prescription

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Large logarithms spoil NLO accuracy for σ^{incl}

Need very carefully defined $P(\tau)$ (higher log resummation)

All existing approaches sum logarithms
at LL accuracy

Higher logarithmic resummation is
important in its own right, but also
needed to combine NLO calculations

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Notation for logarithmic accuracy

$$\sigma_2(\tau_{\text{cut}}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & & & \\ \alpha L^2 & \alpha L & \alpha & & & & \\ \alpha^2 L^4 & \alpha^2 L^3 & \alpha^2 L^2 & \alpha^2 L & \alpha & & \\ \alpha^3 L^6 & \alpha^3 L^5 & \alpha^3 L^4 & \alpha^3 L^3 & \alpha^3 L^2 & \alpha L & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

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LL

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NLL'

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NNLL

The basic formula of Geneva takes a very simple form

$$\sigma^{\text{incl}} = \sigma_2(\tau^{\text{cut}}) + \int d\tau \frac{d\sigma_3^{\text{incl}}}{d\tau} \theta(\tau > \tau^{\text{cut}})$$

GENEVA approach

$$\sigma_2(\tau^{\text{cut}}) = \sigma_2^{\text{F}}(\tau^{\text{cut}}) \left[\frac{\sigma_2^{\text{R}}(\tau^{\text{cut}})}{\sigma_2^{\text{RE}}(\tau^{\text{cut}})} \right] \quad \frac{d\sigma_3^{\text{incl}}}{d\tau} = \frac{d\sigma_3^{\text{F}}}{d\tau} \left[\frac{\frac{d\sigma_3^{\text{R}}}{d\tau}}{\frac{d\sigma_3^{\text{RE}}}{d\tau}} \right]$$

F: Fixed order R: Resummed RE: Expansion of resummed

If resummed to LL, the ratio becomes equal to Sudakov

By resumming to NLL', find

$$\sigma^{\text{incl}} - \sigma_2^{\text{GENEVA}} = \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2 L_{\text{cut}})$$

Everything I said previously easily generalizes to fully inclusive events

For 2 different jet multiplicities can write

$$d\sigma^{\text{incl}} = \frac{d\sigma_2(\tau^{\text{cut}})}{d\Phi_2} d\Phi_2 + \frac{d\sigma_3^{\text{incl}}}{d\Phi_3} \theta(\tau(\Phi_3) > \tau^{\text{cut}}) d\Phi_3$$

For more jets, write

$$d\sigma_N = \sum_{n=N}^{M-1} d\sigma_n(\mathcal{T}_n^{\text{cut}}) + d\sigma_M^{\text{incl}}$$

Using same trick as before, can derive expressions for each term that is correct to given fixed order and given resummed order

Need to go to at least NLL' (two orders more than LL) in resummation to be able to merge two NLO calculations

Can not rely on Sudakov factors any more, but need honest resummation

GENEVA allows to do precisely that: combine fixed order resummation with higher log resummation