Gluon fusion: p^H & jet multiplicity

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Overview

- Jet multiplicity
 - $H \rightarrow WW$ analyses separated into 0, 1, ≥ 2 jets
 - Many VBF analyses depend on third jet
- p_{_{T}}^{_{H}}
 - low- p_{T} : effects of b-quark mass
 - high-p_{τ}: effects of top-quark mass

Correlations and acceptances

Jet multiplicity

- Three methods for evaluating jet veto uncertainties
 - Stewart-Tackmann method treats inclusive jet-bin cross sections as uncorrelated
 - E.g. $\sigma_0 = \sigma_{tot} \sigma_{\ge 1}$

– Designed to use calculations to a fixed order in $\alpha_{_{\! S}}$

 Jet-veto efficiency method treats total cross section as uncorrelated with veto efficiency

• E.g.
$$\sigma_0 = \sigma_{tot} \varepsilon_0$$

 BLPTW use a generalized covariance matrix for normalization and migration uncertainties; apply resummation in certain regions to reduce uncertainties

Third jet and VBF analyses

 Uncertainty historically evaluated with MCFM using Stewart-Tackmann procedure

- $\sigma_{2j}(NLO)$ - $\sigma_{3j}(LO)$

- Can improved calculations of $\sigma_{_{\geq 3}}$ reduce the uncertainty?
- Could we correlate with the other jet-bin uncertainties?

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- What is the appropriate scale and variations for the bquark loop?
 - How much does it affect analyses?
- What are the uncertainties at high p_{τ} (m_t and above)? How do perturbative calculations and merged multi-leg generators compare?
- NNLO H+jet calculation ongoing
 - finite m_{t} @ NNLO to follow?

Correlations and acceptances

- Experiments correlate uncertainties across Higgs analyses
 - How to correlate p_{τ}^{H} and jet multiplicity? How to correlate these with an analysis using jets in an MVA?
 - Can MC central values and uncertainties approximate those of the preferred theory calculations and methods?
 - Improved generators available: Powheg NNLOPS, Sherpa MEPS@NLO, MG5_aMC@NLO
- Also consider overlap with underlying event and parton shower uncertainties
 - Jet-bin uncertainties assumed to include PS uncertainty
 - How to evaluate underlying event uncertainty on its own?

Summary

- Ongoing and existing calculations can improve uncertainties on jet multiplicity and $p_{_{\rm T}}^{^{\rm H}}$
- Many issues to be discussed for Run 2
- Anticipate at least two half-day meetings on these topics