

# Recent Progress in Parton-Shower Event Generators

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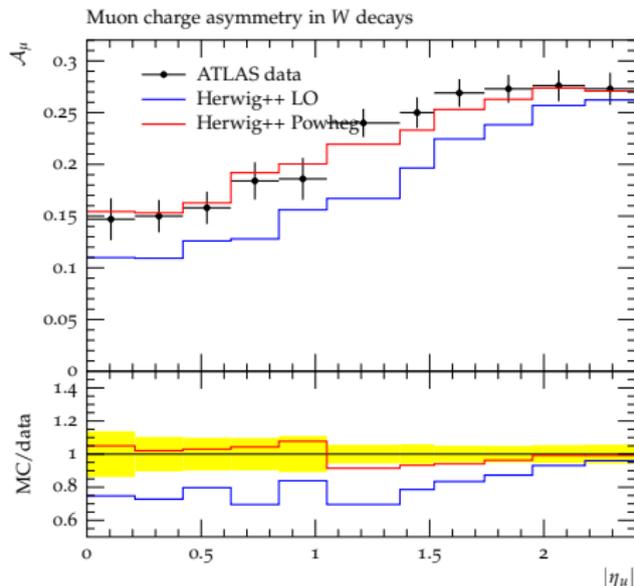
# Hard Scattering

NLO

NLO “recipe”:

$$\begin{aligned} d\sigma_{\text{NLO}} &= d\Phi_n B_n + d\Phi_n V_n + d\Phi_{n+1} R_{n+1} \\ &= d\Phi_n B_n + d\Phi_n [V_n + d\Phi_1 S_n] + d\Phi_{n+1} [R_{n+1} - S_n] \end{aligned}$$

- Virtual Corrections
- Real Corrections
- Subtraction terms



Parton Shower Monte Carlos turn these into realistic predictions.

# Hard Scattering

## Overview

### Matching

PS + FO for fixed multiplicity

### Merging

PS + FO for several multiplicities  
Split phase space into hard and soft regions

- Soft  $\Rightarrow$  PS
- Hard  $\Rightarrow$  ME

	ME	Matching	Merging	Shower
MADGRAPH5_aMC@NLO	MADGRAPH, BLHA	MC@NLO	FxFx	PYTHIA, HERWIG++ (Angular)
MATCHBOX/HERWIG++	MADGRAPH, BLHA	MC@NLO, POWHEG	UNLOPS	HERWIG++
POWHEG-BOX	Built-in, BLHA	POWHEG	MiNLO	All
POWHEL	HELAC-NLO	POWHEG	-	All
PYTHIA	Event Files	-	UNLOPS, NL <sup>3</sup>	PYTHIA
SHERPA	COMIX, AMEGIC, BLHA	S-MC@NLO	MEPS@NLO	SHERPA (Dipole)
Gevena	Build-in + Resum	Geneva	Geneva	PYTHIA
HEJ	HEJ, MADGRAPH	-	HEJ+PS	Ariadne
Vincia	Built-in, MADGRAPH	Vincia	Vincia	Vincia, PYTHIA

BLHA: Blackhat, GoSam, NJet, OpenLoops, VBFNLO, ...

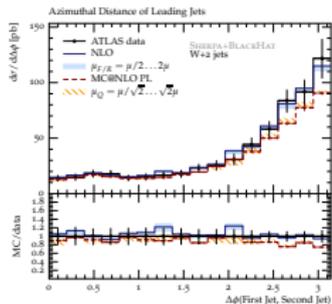
BSM support via UFO/FEYNRULES

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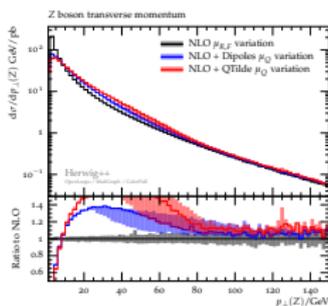
## Matching

High-degree of automation  $\rightarrow$  lots of processes studies.

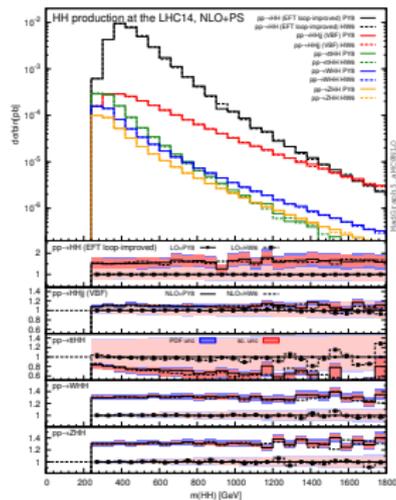
Need an assessment and understanding of our uncertainties.



[Höche, Krauss, Schönherr, Siebert '12]



[Gieseke, Plätzer et al. - in progress]



[Frederix et al. '14]

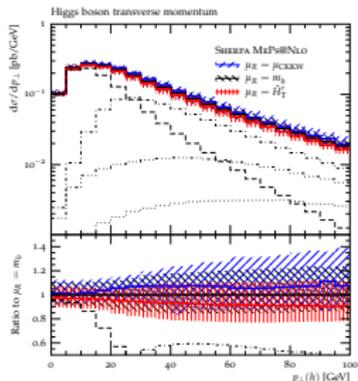
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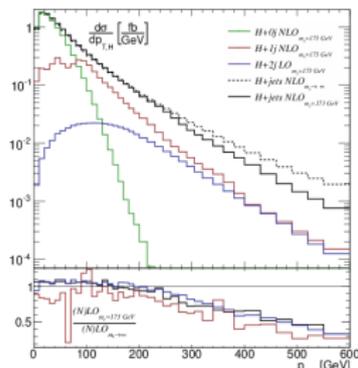
Minimise our dependence on the merging scale.

### Merging at

- LO: Well understood
- NLO: Potential problems (inclusive cross-sections, how large?)
- FxFx, MEPS@NLO: Combine MC@NLO's of different multiplicities [Frixione, Frederix '12] [Höche, Krauss, Schönherr, Siegert '12]
- MiNLO: Reproduce inclusive  $pp \rightarrow X$  from  $pp \rightarrow Xj$  with Sudakov factors [Hamilton, Nason, Oleari, Zanderighi '12]
- UNLOPS: Merge exclusive jet cross sections, constrain inclusive ones [Lönnblad, Prestel '12] [Plätzer '12]
- Geneva: Combine NLOs with higher order resummation [Alioli et al. '13]
- Vincia: Lift iterated matrix element corrections to NLO [Skands et al. '13]



SHERPA, MEPS@NLO  $gg \rightarrow H$   
[Höche, Krauss, Schönherr '14]



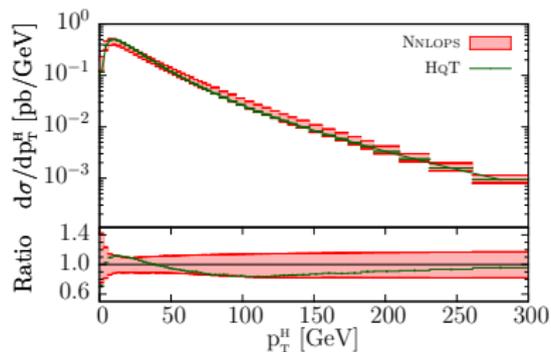
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# Hard Scattering

## NNLO Matching

Proof of Concept for DY-type processes.

- Based on MiNLO [Hamilton, Nason, Re, Zanderighi '13]
- Based on UNLOPS [Höche, Li, Prestel '14]



# Hard Scattering

## EW Corrections

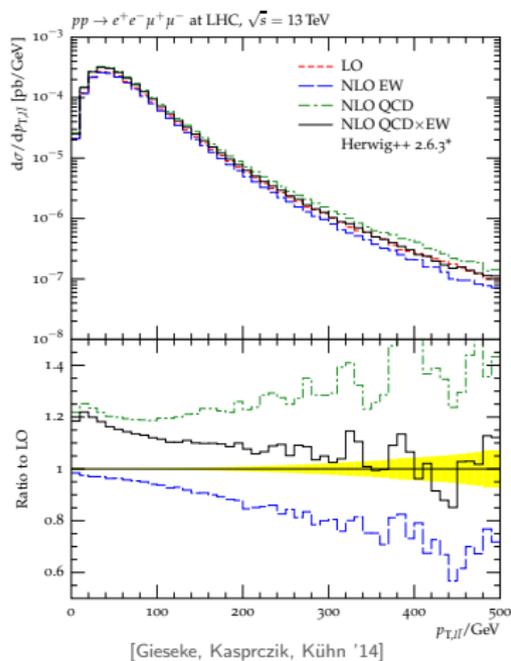
NLO EW  $\sim$  NNLO QCD

Needed if we want sub 10% accuracy.

Factorised ansatz:

$$(1 + \delta_{QCD})(1 + \delta_{EW}) \approx 1 + \delta_{QCD} + \delta_{EW}$$

- Valid if both corrections are small
- QCD via POWHEG
- EW by reweighting



# Shower

## Overview

Showers resum large logarithms

Iterative implementation:

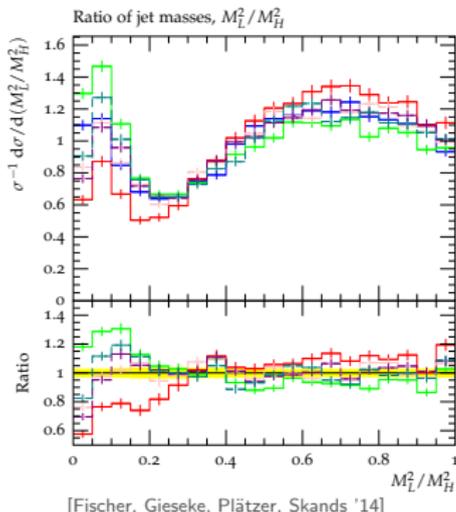
$$\text{PS}[u(\phi_n), Q] = \Delta(\mu, Q)u(\phi_n) + P(q)\Delta(q, Q)\text{PS}[u(\phi_{n+1}), q]$$

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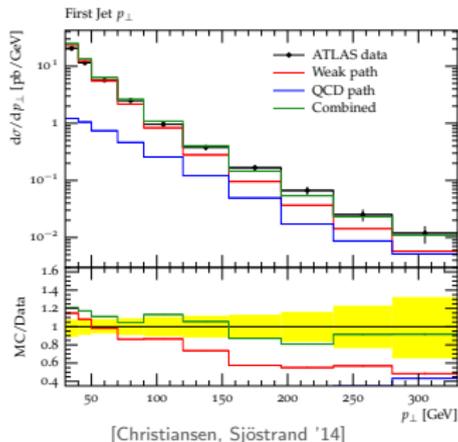
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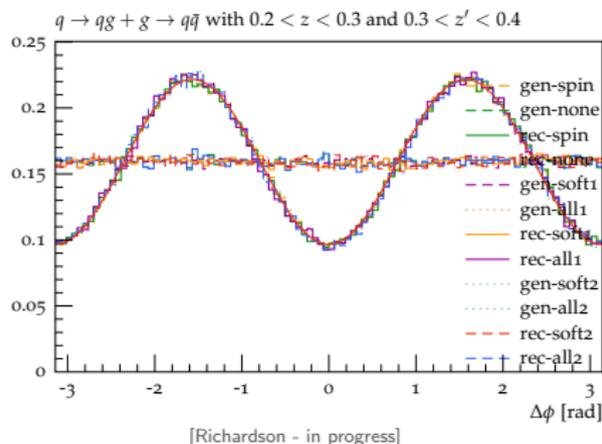
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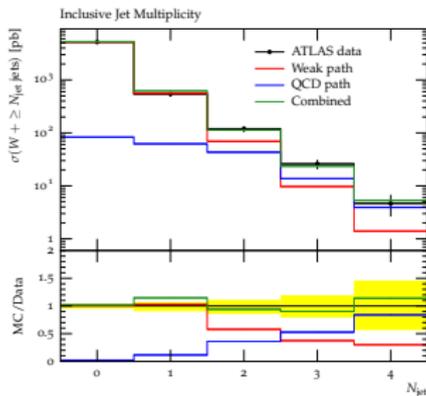
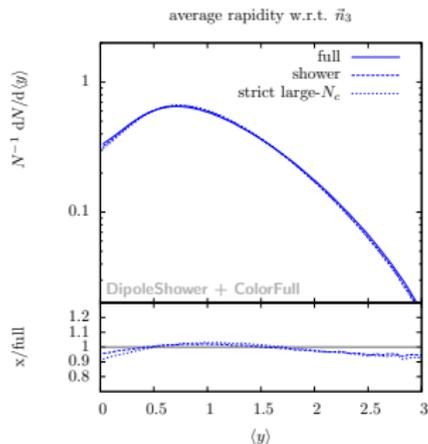
### Colour-exact radiation patterns

$$D_{ij,k} \sim \frac{\langle \mathcal{M} | T_{ij} \cdot T_k | \mathcal{M} \rangle}{T_{ij}^2 |\mathcal{M}|^2}$$

- First Emission [Höche, Krauss, Schönherr, Siegert '11]
- Several Emissions [Plätzer, Sjö Dahl '11]

### Electroweak:

- Include  $W, Z$  emission  
[Christiansen, Sjöstrand '14]  
[Krauss, Schönherr, Spannowsky '14]
- EW Sudakov logs unclear  
Different pattern to QCD logs



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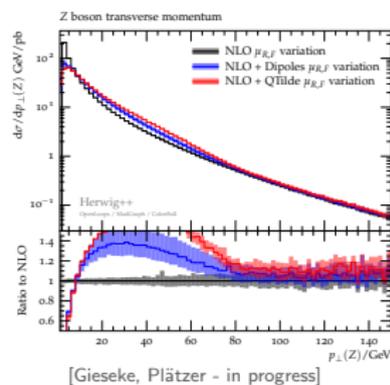
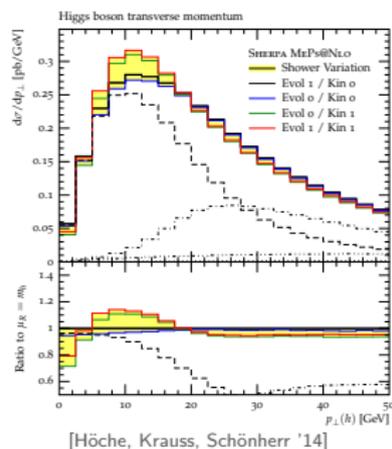
## Uncertainties

Showers are perturbative objects. Can assess uncertainty through our scale dependence  $\mu_F, \mu_R, \mu_Q$ . Analytic resummation: Scale compensation.

True for showers at LL.  
Showers more than LL,  
compensation less clear.

Need for cross-validation  
of different algorithms,  
and study of subleading  
effects.

Recoil procedure, starting  
scales, phase-space  
population, ...

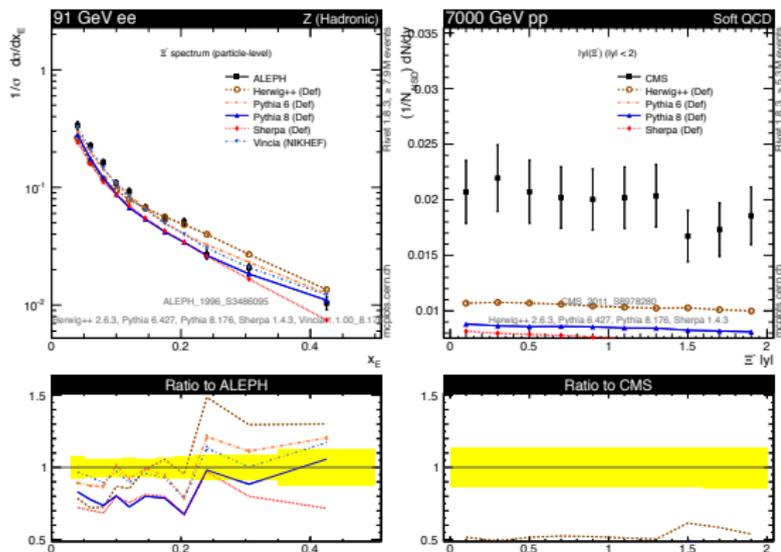


# Hadronization

## Overview

Strings (PYTHIA), Clusters (HERWIG++, SHERPA)

- Models developed for LEP.
- Little work in the past 10 years
- Cross-checks from Lattice
- Important for high- $p_T$  physics
- Data Driven ( $\Rightarrow$  RIVET analyses)



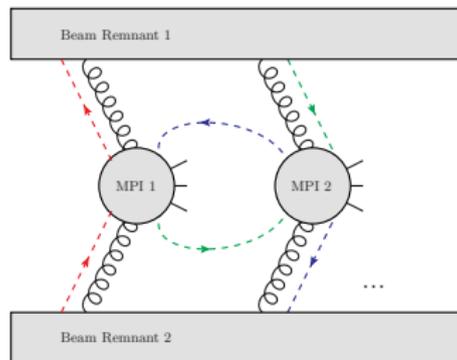
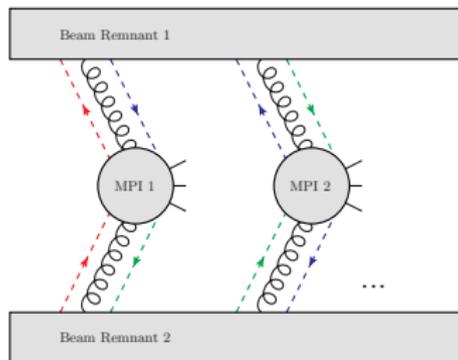
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## Colour Reconnection

### New Model of Beam Remnant and Colour Reconnection [Christiansen, Skands - in progress]

#### Beam Remnant

- Conservation Laws (Flavour, Colour, Momentum)
- SU(3) structure
- Example:  $8 \otimes 8 = 27 \oplus \bar{10} \oplus 10 \oplus 8 \oplus 8 \oplus 1$



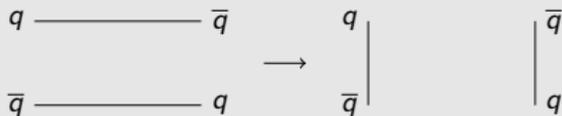
Colour reconnection allows us to reshuffle colour before hadronisation

- SU(3) multiplet structure  $\rightarrow$  allowed reconnections
- $\lambda$  measure  $\rightarrow$  preferred reconnections

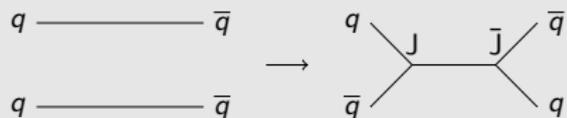
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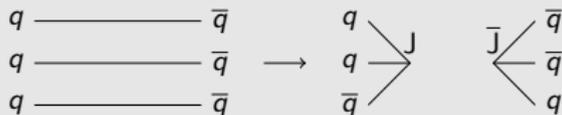
### Ordinary String Reconnection



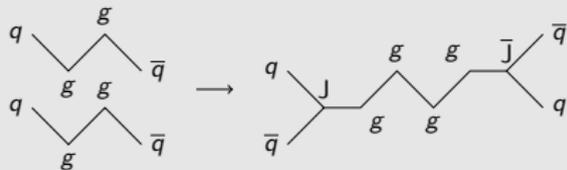
### Double Junction Reconnection



### Triple Junction Reconnection



### Zippering Reconnection



# Hadronization

## Colour Reconnection

$$\Delta m_t = m_t(\text{default CR}) - m_t(\text{no CR})$$

- No CR - unphysical, overestimates uncertainty?
- $m_t(\text{no CR})$  - may not give bound to  $m_t$ , underestimates uncertainty?

CR Model uncertainties turned out to be small at LEP2 ( $W$  mass measurements). Doesn't necessarily mean they'll be small for current efforts to measure top-mass.  $t$  is a coloured particle!

Model	$\Delta m_t^{\text{rescaled}}$ [GeV]
Default	+0.239
Forced Random (Min)	-0.524
Move	+0.239
Swap	+0.273

$$m_t^{\text{max}} - m_t^{\text{min}} \simeq 0.8 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\Delta m_t \approx 0.5 \text{ GeV (for sophisticated models)}$$

[Argyropoulos, Sjöstrand '14]

# Outlook

Monte Carlos are important for the LHC Run-II and beyond.

Precision is not only higher order effects, but also understanding and controlling our uncertainties.

Need for

- EW-effects
- Improvements in Shower
- Improvements in Non-Perturbative

(Far) Future

- NNLO is at a *very early stage*.