



MC Modelling

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Outline



- Overview of ttbar NLO MC setups in CMS for Run2:
 - Madgraph5 + Pythia 8 with MLM merging (tt+0,1,2,3j)
 - Madgraph5_aMC@NLO + Pythia 8 with FxFx merging (tt+0,1,2j)
 - Madgraph5_aMC@NLO + Pythia 8 / Herwig++
 - **POWHEG + Pythia 8** (default setup for Run 2)
 - POWHEG + Herwig++
- Matrix Element point of view
- Parton Shower point of view
 - $\alpha_{s}(ISR)$ tuning
- UE measurement with ttbar

(*) Detailed fragmentation studies (mostly Pythia 6) are shown this afternoon by B. Stieger in his talk on top mass

Current situation at 13TeV





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Current situation at 13TeV



≥6

0.8 0.6





Matrix Element Point of View



- Implemented alternative dynamic scales for tt production in POWHEG (hvq) with help from Paolo Nason
- Based on real kinematics after emission (standard scale = born level).



POWHEG alternative running scales (II)



Alternative scales: Lower pT Jets→lower multiplicities, no (small) effect on top pT



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- ME scale uncertainties: standard variations by factor 2, bracket hdamp variation
- Alternative scales give larger scales (lower α_{S})



1.2

1



- Smaller uncertainties for MG5_aMCatNLO FxFx sample, but asymmetric
- Renormalization envelope misses the relevant shape variation which is • nevertheless covered by the full (scale) uncertainty band
- But aMCatNLO does not fit 13TeV data well: matching/merging scale • uncertainty ignored, often small w.r.t. $\mu R/\mu F$

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300

 $p_{T}^{t\bar{t}}[GeV]$





Parton Shower View



ISR+FSR variations



- Current PS scale up/down samples do simultaneous ISR/FSR variation
- Effect on number of radiated leptons, b/light quark masses
- Next generation MC: automated PS uncertainties, included in Pythia 8.219:
- "Variations of the QCD renormalisation scale for both initial-and final-state showers can now be computed on the fly, provided as a list of alternative weights for each event, representing the probability that the given event would have occurred under different shower assumption"





Test of the matching scheme (I)





- Pythia 8 Monash tune (CUETP8M1, α_s =0.1365 for ISR&FSR) harder than Pythia 6:
 - $\checkmark\,$ Direct effect in POWHEG for any additional jet
 - $\checkmark\,$ MLM and FxFx matching should compensate the effect
- Basically for POWHEG αS only affects the distribution in the shower-dominated region, whereas for aMC@NLO it also does the multiplicity bins covered by the ME.



Test of the matching scheme (II)





 α_{s} (ISR) parameter to tune, to not mess LEP tuning (FSR) in hadronic res. decays:

- aMC@NLO handles the first emission for both ISR and FSR but does NOT handle the matching of the first emission for hadronic resonance decays.
- Same for POWHEG. No conclusion in additional showers for MG5 (MLM)

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α_{s} (ISR) tuning



Tuning using Professor





Tuning α_{S} (ISR) with the Njets > 3 bins (where jets predominantly originate from the parton shower) used as input to Professor α_{s} (ISR) = 0.115

- describes the overall jet multiplicity

distributions better (indep. of the threshold)

- brackets previous results

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α_s variation $\rightarrow \mu_R$ variation







The uncertainties on α_s^{ISR} correspond to a x0.33, x4 variation on μ_R



PS scale uncertainties





Tuning α_{S} (ISR) with the Njets > 3 bins (where jets predominantly originate from the parton shower) used as input to Professor

- α_s^{ISR} too high from Monash tune
- New preliminary tune brings njets distribution into agreement for POWHEG+PYTHIA8 at 8 & 13TeV

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UE measurement with ttbar



• Measurement of charged particle multiplicity and mean/summed pT

 Sensitive to UE, ISR, PS cutoffs; currently being prepared for paper with unfolded results http://cms-results.web.cern.ch/cms-results/public-results/preliminary-results/TOP-15-017/index.html
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- Measurement of charged particle multiplicity and mean/summed pT
- The number of charged particles/Sum of the charged pT vs the angle with respect to the event-by-event axis defined using $p_{T}(tt)$ J. Fernandez 18/05/2016





Other checks



- Consistent reshuffling options improving the Pythia 8 description.
- No major changes with different reshuffling options
- To be re-checked with Herwig 7

Auxiliary figures of TOP-15-011:

http://cms-results.web.cern.ch/cms-results/public-results/preliminary-results/TOP-15-011/index.html

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Summary and conclusions



- Extensive suite of generator setups tried and more in the pipeline for 2016:
 - POWHEG+ PYTHIA 8 as default for Run2
 - Moving to Herwig7 ASAP and trying Sherpa
- 8/13 TeV data tend to agree with scale up variation
- Preliminary tuning of α_{s} (ISR) value to match 8TeV data at high jet multiplicities
 - makes the agreement at 13TeV for POWHEG+Pythia8 as good as 8TeV data with MG+Pythia6
- UE measurement with tt favouring scale up too
- Still no clear solution for top pT spectrum





EXTRA/BACKUP



Work in progress

- Sherpa and Herwig 7 in development
 - Interface to CMSSW being created





- Trying EvtGen in **POWHEG** + Pythia 8
 - Using latest DECAY_NOLONGLIFE.DEC with long-lived states removed, to properly inject GEANT
- Testing improved handling of resonances (with radiation in decay) in **POWHEG** (ttb_NLO_dec), as well as Spin Correlations disabled
- Pythia 8.219 being currently integrated in CMSSW to make use of new framework for automated parton-shower uncertainty bands.