Higher orders and parton showers

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Outline

(N)NLO corrections in ME

2 NLO corrections in PS



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(N)NLO corrections in matrix elements NLOPs

- well established and standard tools
 - Mc@Nlo
 - POWHEG
- available for all processes of interest
- ⇒ NLO for production ME emission properties described at LOPS accuracy only

NNLOPS

- only exist for singlet production
 - MiNLO-based
 - UN²LOPS
- unavailable for boosted objects

exception: very recent WH-implementation

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Moretti, Petrov, Pozzorini, Spannowsky Phys.Rev. D93 (2016) 014019

Multijet merging

- multijet merging replaces emission spectrum of (N)LOPS above some merging scale by higher order calculation → MEPS/MEPS@NLO, MLM/FxFx, UMEPS/UNLOPS
- can be though of as improving splitting functions of (N)LOPS by higher order and beyond-logarithmic corrections above merging scale
- · does not improve resummation properties



Höche, Krauss, Maierhöfer, Pozzorini, MS, Siegert in PLB748(2015)74-78

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 \Rightarrow particle level events including dominant EW corrections

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 $\Rightarrow NLO \ QCD \times EW_{VI} \otimes YFS \ very \ well \ reproduces \ full \ calculation \ also \ for \ processes \ with \ very \ rich \ EW \ structure$

NNLO corrections in matrix elements – NNLOPS

- · available only for production of colourless final states
- do not offer improved description of boosted observables beyond X + j NLOPS calculations



Höche, Li, Prestel arXiv:1407.3773

NNLO corrections in matrix elements – NNLOPS

- exception, production of multiple colourless objects
- so far, only HW production available



• for mathing X + j at NNLOPS we need better parton showers that include NLO splitting functions

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Höche, Krauss, Prestel arXiv:1705.00982

- LO parton showers already include terms $\propto 1/(1-z) \times \Gamma(2)$ Catani, Marchesini, Webber Nucl.Phys. B349, 635 (1991)
- include NLO corrections in DGLAP evolution use NLO collinear splitting functions

$$P_{ab}(z) = P_{ab}^{(0)}(z) + \frac{\alpha_S}{2\pi} P_{ab}^{(1)}(z)$$

Curci, Furmanski, Petronzio Nucl.Phys. B175, 27 (1980) Furmanski, Petronzio Phys.Lett. B97, 437 (1980)

- includes triple-collinear splitting functions Höche, Prestel arXiv:1705.00742
- contains flavour changes q
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- · does not include higher order corrections to soft evolution yet
- include also soft terms $\propto 1/(1-z) imes \Gamma(3)$
- still leading colour, as no exponentiation of off-diagonal colour MEs
- this is generally not the same as achieving a higher logarithmic accuracy, not even for the PS evolution variable

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- small effects in event shapes at e^+e^-
- reduced scale uncertainty (commonly not assessed in LO parton showers)

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Conclusions

- NLOPS are the common tools used
- multijet merging improves relative description of multi-emission kinematics and is the highest available precision at the moment → approximate EW corrections can be incorporated
- NNLOPS for X + j final states mandatory for most boosted analyses not yet available

 a matching procedure not available due to the lack of parton showers of sufficient accuracy
- first developments to include higher order corrections to the splitting functions in parton showers
 - \rightarrow NLO collinear DGLAP evolution
 - \rightarrow PS does not yet contain full logarithmic structure for matching to NNLO

Thank you for your attention!