

# Logarithmic accuracy of parton showers

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Logarithmic Accuracy	• Higher logarithmic orders achieved thanks to the above simplifications in the formulation	• Currently unknown. The goal of this talk is to initiate a formal study of this point

#### NLL resumation

- To understand (and ultimately improve) the logarithmic accuracy of PS, crucial to build a systematic connection to resummation
- Use the technology of numerical resummations to approach the problem
- e.g.  $e^+e^- \rightarrow q q bar + X at NLL$



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collinear limit described by independent emissions strongly ordered in angle

[Catani et al. '91-'93; Banfi, Salam, Zanderighi '01-'04]

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soft wide angle limit described by a shower of *soft* colour dipoles strongly ordered in energy

[Dasgupta, Salam '01; Banfi, Marchesini, Smye '02]

# Parton Showers

- Main defining features (at least for LO showers)
  - 1. Ordering variable: generate emissions in sequence according to a kinematic variable v (e.g.  $k_t$ , angle, virtuality).
  - 2. Branching probability: state  $S_n$  with n partons at a given v found with a probability  $P(S_n, v)$ 
    - ➡ This probability evolves with the ordering variable as

$$\frac{dP(S_n, v)}{d\ln 1/v} = -f(S_n, v)P(S_n, v)$$

This evolution equation accounts for real and virtual corrections (unitarity)

- 3. Kinematic mapping: state  $S_{n+1}$  obtained from a state  $S_n$  via a mapping  $\mathcal{M}(S_n \to S_{n+1}; v)$ 
  - ➡ Is a function of all partons involved in the branching. It defines how the recoil is absorbed by other partons in the event. E.g. for a *local* recoil scheme

$$S_{n+1} = \mathcal{M}(S_n, v; \underbrace{i, j}_{i,j}, \underbrace{z, \phi}_{i,j})$$

emitters emission

➡ The map is accompanied by the relative probabilities of all possible new states, i.e.

$$f(S_n, v) = \sum_{i,j} \int dv' dz d\phi \, \frac{d\mathcal{P}(S_n, v'; i, j, z, \phi)}{dv' dz d\phi} \delta(\ln v' / v) \qquad \sum_{i,j} d\mathcal{P}(S_n, v; i, j, z, \phi) \simeq \frac{d\Phi_{n+1}}{d\Phi_n} \frac{|M^2(S_{n+1})|}{|M^2(S_n)|}$$

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- We focus on k<sub>t</sub>-ordered dipole showers with local recoil
  - Most common design today
  - Ability to reproduce non-global logarithms at LL, for which different solutions might fail

see e.g. [Banfi, Corcella, Dasgupta '06]

• Consider the designs of Pythia8's shower and Dire as a case study

[Sjostrand, Skands '04] [Hoeche, Prestel '15]

#### Dipole showers

• Events are viewed throughout as a collection of colour-anticolour dipole ends



# Dipole showers: evolution variable

- Ordering variable v: smallest  $p_{\perp}$  separation (resolution) between any pair of partons
- Zooming out to smaller *v* values more partons get resolved



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# Dipole showers: local recoil

- Kinematic mapping: to ensure momentum conservation, the recoil is assigned locally (within the dipole)
- the *emitter* i takes the recoil of k in the i j C.O.M. frame
- residual longitudinal recoil absorbed by the *spectator* j



# Dipole showers: iterate **q**0 ZW gı $\overline{\mathsf{q}}_0$ V0 ٧١













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Not true anymore with running coupling in the soft-wide-angle region (NNLL effect)

• Non-zero (although suppressed) probability to have an emission with zero transverse momentum even if  $p_{\perp,\text{evol}} \neq 0$ . This creates a new suppression mechanism in competition with the usual Sudakov suppression. In practice, unlikely to be of phenomenological interest

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\* CMW scheme available both in Pythia and Dire

# Multiple soft emissions

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# Double strong ordering

Start by considering the limit where (in addition to angles) the ordering variable is strongly ordered, i.e. the kinematic of g<sub>1</sub> is not affected by the much softer g<sub>2</sub>

 $v_1 \gg v_2$ 

However, the colour charge for the second emission depends on the above partitioning



• Observables with  $b \neq 0$  (e.g. thrust, jet mass, ...) are affected at LL

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$$g_{2} = \frac{q_{2}}{q}$$

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# Single strong ordering: matrix element

- As a consequence, starting from second order, the effective matrix element differs from the NLL prediction
- Effects can be large for observables sensitive to exclusive regions of phase space
- This mechanism affects the pattern of subsequent real radiation, and virtual corrections, at all higher orders

→E.g. r = 1,  $|\Delta \phi| > \pm 2\pi/3$ :

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e.g. at  $\alpha_s^2$ dipole-shower double-soft ME / correct result



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• Occurs in a region relevant to NLL (leading colour) for all rIRC safe, global observables

e.g. 3-jet resolution in Cambridge algorithm

(angular ordered clustering of soft and/or collinear radiation)

$$\delta\Sigma^{(2\,\text{emissions})}(L) = \left(C_F \frac{2\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^2 \int_0^1 \frac{dv_1}{v_1} \int_{\ln v_1}^{\ln 1/v_1} d\eta_1 \int_0^{v_1} \frac{dv_2}{v_2} \int_{\ln v_2}^{\ln 1/v_2} d\eta_2 \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\phi_1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\phi_2}{2\pi} \times \left[\Theta\left(e^{-L} - V(p_1^{\text{shower}}, p_2)\right) - \Theta\left(e^{-L} - V(p_1^{\text{correct}}, p_2)\right)\right]$$

$$V(p_1^{\text{correct}}, p_2) = v_1 \qquad V(p_1^{\text{shower}}, p_2) = \max\left(v_2, \sqrt{v_1^2 + v_2^2 - 2v_1v_2\cos\phi_{12}}\right)$$

$$\delta \Sigma^{\mathrm{cam}}(L) = -0.18277 \,\bar{\alpha}^2 L^2 + \mathcal{O}\left(\bar{\alpha}^2 L\right)$$

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# Conclusions

- A single shower must be accurate for different observables
  - necessary to develop a correspondence ingredients of the shower (branching probability, mapping, ordering), all-order amplitudes, and the logarithmic order
- We initiated such a study considering the family of dipole showers with local recoil
  - Asymptotic limits of the shower equations to establishing a connection to resummation
  - Differences in regions of phase space relevant for LL (subleading N<sub>c</sub>) and NLL (leading N<sub>c</sub>) in global, rIRC safe observables
- Ideally future developments should come with statements about how a given choice affect the all-order logarithmic structure
  - Further developments necessary to test the accuracy of a shower at all orders
  - Establish a solid basis for the development of algorithms with higher accuracy
- Impact of tuning and pre-asymptotic effects important (perhaps dominant for some designs in phenomenological applications). Still a lot to understand

# Thank you for listening

#### CAESAR: ordering variable

- The study of the logarithmic accuracy of parton showers requires a careful comparison with resummed calculations. The starting point is to build a resummation framework that is suitable for a MC formulation
- global and recursively IRC safe observables at NLL: CAESAR

[Banfi, Salam, Zanderighi '01-'04]

• resummation given by a shower of independent emissions off the Born legs strongly ordered in angle

e.g. e<sup>\*e\*</sup> -> p<sub>1</sub> p<sub>2</sub> + X  
Use observable v<sub>1</sub> = V(k<sub>1</sub>) as evolution variable  
(not strictly necessary, it leads to a simpler structure)  

$$dP_n \simeq \frac{C_F^n}{n!} \prod_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{\alpha_{sA}^{\text{CMW}}(p_{\perp,i}^2)}{\pi} \frac{dp_{\perp,i}}{\pi} \frac{dz_i}{p_{\perp,i}} \int_0^{e^{-L}} \frac{d\phi d\sigma}{2\pi dv'} \sim e^{-R(L)} \mathcal{F}_{\text{NLL}}(\alpha_s L) \right)$$
Dr. Sudakov radiator R(v) computed at NLL  
· Effect of multiple emissions evaluated with  
LL (soft-collinear) matrix elements and  
observable  

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$$\mathcal{F}_{\text{NLL}}(v) = \langle \Theta(1 - \lim_{v \to 0} \frac{V_{\text{sc}}(\{\tilde{p}\}, \{k_i\})}{v}) \rangle$$

#### Dipole showers: mapping

• The map is defined by (local recoil)

$$\tilde{p}_i + \tilde{p}_j \xrightarrow{\tilde{p}_i \to p_i + p_k} p_i + p_j + p_k$$

$$p_{i}^{\mu} = \tilde{z} \, \tilde{p}_{i}^{\mu} + y \, (1 - \tilde{z}) \, \tilde{p}_{j}^{\mu} + k_{\perp}$$
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see backup for branching probabilities

$$\begin{split} \textbf{Pythia}\\ \cdot \text{ Evolution variable and branching:}\\ v \equiv p_{\perp,\text{evol}}\\ \rho_{\perp,\text{evol}}^2 = \frac{p_{\perp,\text{evol}}^2}{(\tilde{p}_i + \tilde{p}_j)^2}, \quad y = \frac{\rho_{\perp,\text{evol}}^2}{z(1-z)}, \quad \tilde{z} = \frac{(1-z)(z^2 - \rho_{\perp\text{evol}}^2)}{z(1-z) - \rho_{\perp\text{evol}}^2}\\ \rho_{\perp,\text{evol}} \leq z \leq 1 - \rho_{\perp,\text{evol}}\\ \cdot \text{ kt and rapidity of emission w.r.t. the emitter}\\ \eta = \ln \frac{(1-\tilde{z})Q}{|k_{\perp}|}, \quad |k_{\perp}^2| = \frac{(z^2 - \rho_{\perp\text{evol}}^2)\left((1-z)^2 - \rho_{\perp\text{evol}}^2\right)}{(z(1-z) - \rho_{\perp\text{evol}}^2)^2} \end{split}$$

Dire  
• Evolution variable and branching:  

$$v \equiv \sqrt{t}$$
  
 $\kappa^2 = \frac{t}{(\tilde{p}_i + \tilde{p}_j)^2}, \quad y = \frac{\kappa^2}{1-z}, \quad \tilde{z} = \frac{z-y}{1-y}$   
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#### Pythia

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$$\mathcal{D} = (1-x)^2(1+x), \qquad x \equiv \frac{(p_i+p_k)^2}{(\tilde{p}_i+\tilde{p}_j)^2}$$

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$$d\mathcal{P}_{g \to q\bar{q}} = \frac{\alpha_s(t)}{2\pi} \frac{dt}{t} dz \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} \frac{n_f T_R}{2} \left[ 1 - 2z(1-z) \right]$$

#### Difference between shower and NLL

$$\delta\Sigma^{(2\,\text{emissions})}(L) = \left(C_F \frac{2\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^2 \int_0^1 \frac{dv_1}{v_1} \int_{\ln v_1}^{\ln 1/v_1} d\eta_1 \int_0^{v_1} \frac{dv_2}{v_2} \int_{\ln v_2}^{\ln 1/v_2} d\eta_2 \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\phi_1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\phi_2}{2\pi} \times \left[\Theta\left(e^{-L} - V(p_1^{\text{shower}}, p_2)\right) - \Theta\left(e^{-L} - V(p_1^{\text{correct}}, p_2)\right)\right]$$

$$\begin{split} \delta\Sigma^{(3\,\text{emissions})}(L) &= \left( C_F \frac{2\alpha_s}{\pi} \right)^3 \int_0^1 \frac{dv_1}{v_1} \int_0^{v_1} \frac{dv_2}{v_2} \int_0^{v_2} \frac{dv_3}{v_3} \int_{\ln v_1}^{\ln 1/v_1} d\eta_1 \int_{\ln v_2}^{\ln 1/v_2} d\eta_2 \int_{\ln v_3}^{\ln 1/v_3} d\eta_3 \times \\ &\times \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\phi_1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\phi_2}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\phi_3}{2\pi} \times \\ &\times \left[ \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_1^{\text{shower}}, p_2^{\text{shower}}, p_3)) - \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_1^{\text{correct}}, p_2^{\text{correct}}, p_3)) \right. \\ &- \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_1^{\text{shower}}, p_2)) + \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_1^{\text{correct}}, p_2)) \\ &- \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_1^{\text{shower}}, p_3)) + \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_1^{\text{correct}}, p_3)) \\ &- \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{shower}}, p_3)) + \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{correct}}, p_3)) \\ &- \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{shower}}, p_3)) + \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{correct}}, p_3)) \\ &- \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{shower}}, p_3)) + \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{correct}}, p_3)) \\ &- \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{shower}}, p_3)) + \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{correct}}, p_3)) \\ &- \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{shower}}, p_3)) + \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{correct}}, p_3)) \\ &- \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{shower}}, p_3)) + \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{correct}}, p_3)) \\ &- \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{shower}}, p_3)) + \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{correct}}, p_3)) \\ &- \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{shower}}, p_3)) + \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{correct}}, p_3)) \\ &- \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{shower}}, p_3)) + \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{correct}}, p_3)) \\ &- \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{shower}}, p_3)) + \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{correct}}, p_3)) \\ &- \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{shower}}, p_3)) + \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{correct}}, p_3)) \\ &- \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{shower}}, p_3)) + \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{correct}}, p_3)) \\ &- \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{shower}}, p_3)) + \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{correct}}, p_3)) \\ &- \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{shower}}, p_3)) + \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{correct}}, p_3)) \\ &- \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{shower}}, p_3)) + \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{correct}}, p_3)) \\ &- \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{shower}}, p_3)) + \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{correct}}, p_3)) \\ &- \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{shower}}, p_3)) + \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{correct}}, p_3)) \\ &- \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{shower}}, p_3)) \\ &- \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{shower}}, p_3)) \\ &- \Theta(e^{-L} - V(p_2^{\text{shower}}, p_3) \\ &- \Theta(e^{-L} -$$