

Simulations in High-Energy Physics

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INTRODUCTION

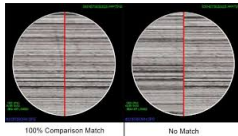
motivation: the quest for precision

- LHC (and particle physics in general) in phase of SM “crash-testing”: confirm minutiae of EWSB and gauge structure
- QCD effects often limiting factor:
 $p_{\perp}^{W,Z,H}$, m_{top} , $g \rightarrow Q\bar{Q}$, boosted objects & substructure
- necessary: work on better understanding of parton shower

(based on perturbation theory: theory-driven with experimental validation)

also: multi-parton interactions, hadronization

(very phenomenological - partially or totally experiment-driven)

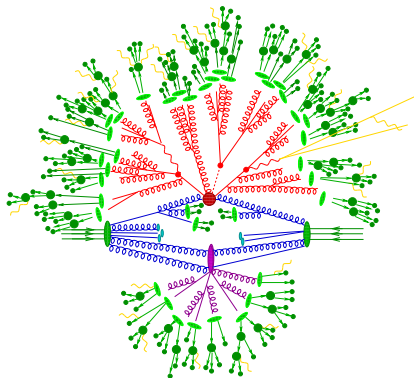


CSI LHC: need precise & accurate tools for precision physics

strategy of event generators

principle: divide et impera

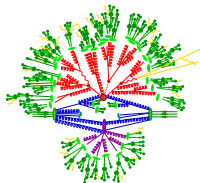
- **hard process:**
fixed order perturbation theory
traditionally: Born-approximation
- **bremstrahlung:**
resummed perturbation theory
- **hadronisation:**
phenomenological models
- **hadron decays:**
effective theories, data
- **"underlying event":**
phenomenological models



... and possible improvements

possible strategies:

- improving the phenomenological models:
 - “tuning” (fitting parameters to data)
 - replacing by better models, based on more physics
(my hot candidate: “minimum bias” and “underlying event” simulation)
- improving the perturbative description:
 - inclusion of higher order exact matrix elements and correct connection to resummation in the parton shower:
“NLO-Matching” & “Multijet-Merging”
 - systematic improvement of the parton shower:
next-to leading (or higher) logs & colours



aim of the lectures

- review the state of the art in precision simulations

(celebrate success)

- highlight missing or ambiguous theoretical ingredients

(acknowledge failure)

- (maybe) suggest some further studies – experiment and theory

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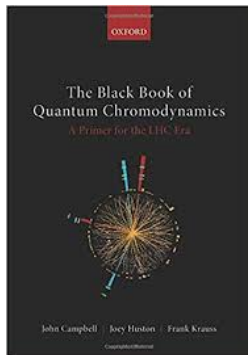
Plan of the Lectures

- 1 Perturbative QCD
 - Parton Level
 - Parton Showers
- 2 Precision Simulations
 - Matching
 - Merging
- 3 Non-Perturbative QCD
 - Hadronization
 - Underlying Event

Shameless promotion:

(as instructed by my co-author J.Huston)

material of lectures covered in

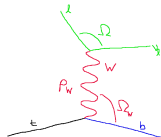


MONTE CARLO FOR PERTURBATIVE QCD

simulating hard processes (signals & backgrounds)

- simple example: $t \rightarrow bW^+ \rightarrow b\bar{l}\nu_l$:

$$|\mathcal{M}|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{8\pi\alpha}{\sin^2\theta_W} \right)^2 \frac{p_t \cdot p_\nu p_b \cdot p_l}{(p_W^2 - M_W^2)^2 + \Gamma_W^2 M_W^2}$$



- phase space integration (5-dim):

$$\Gamma = \frac{1}{2m_t} \frac{1}{128\pi^3} \int dp_W^2 \frac{d^2\Omega_W}{4\pi} \frac{d^2\Omega}{4\pi} \left(1 - \frac{p_W^2}{m_t^2} \right) |\mathcal{M}|^2$$

- 5 random numbers \Rightarrow four-momenta \Rightarrow “events”.
- apply **smearing** and/or **arbitrary cuts**.
- Simply **histogram any quantity of interest** - no new calculation for each observable

calculating matrix elements efficiently

- stating the problem(s):
 - multi-particle final states for signals & backgrounds.
 - need to evaluate $d\sigma_N$:

$$\int_{\text{cuts}} \left[\prod_{i=1}^N \frac{d^3 q_i}{(2\pi)^3 2E_i} \right] \delta^4 \left(p_1 + p_2 - \sum_i q_i \right) |\mathcal{M}_{p_1 p_2 \rightarrow N}|^2.$$

- problem 1: factorial growth of number of amplitudes.
- problem 2: complicated phase-space structure.
- solutions: **numerical methods**.

phase spacing for professionals

("Amateurs study strategy, professionals study logistics")

- democratic, process-blind integration methods:

- Rambo/Mambo: Flat & isotropic

R.Kleiss, W.J.Stirling & S.D.Ellis, *Comput. Phys. Commun.* **40** (1986) 359;

- HAAG/Sarge: Follows QCD antenna pattern

A.van Hameren & C.G.Papadopoulos, *Eur. Phys. J. C* **25** (2002) 563.

- multi-channelling: each Feynman diagram related to a phase space mapping (= "channel"), optimise their relative weights

R.Kleiss & R.Pittau, *Comput. Phys. Commun.* **83** (1994) 141.

- main problem: practical only up to $\mathcal{O}(10k)$ channels.
- some improvement by building phase space mappings recursively: more channels feasible, efficiency drops a bit.

basic idea of multichannel sampling (again):

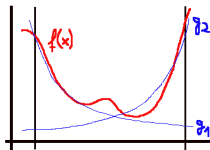
use a sum of functions $g_i(\vec{x})$ as Jacobean $g(\vec{x})$.

$$\Rightarrow g(\vec{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i g_i(\vec{x});$$

\Rightarrow condition on weights like stratified sampling;
 (“combination” of importance & stratified sampling).

algorithm for one iteration:

- select g_i with probability $\alpha_i \rightarrow \vec{x}_j$.
- calculate total weight $g(\vec{x}_j)$ and partial weights $g_i(\vec{x}_j)$
- add $f(\vec{x}_j)/g(\vec{x}_j)$ to total result and $f(\vec{x}_j)/g_i(\vec{x}_j)$ to partial (channel-) results.
- after N sampling steps, update a-priori weights.



this is the method of choice for parton level event generation!

- phase space factorisation assumed here ($\Phi_{\mathcal{R}} = \Phi_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes \Phi_1$)

$$\int d\Phi_1 \mathcal{S}_N(\Phi_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes \Phi_1) = \mathcal{I}_N^{(S)}(\Phi_{\mathcal{B}})$$

- process independent, universal subtraction kernels

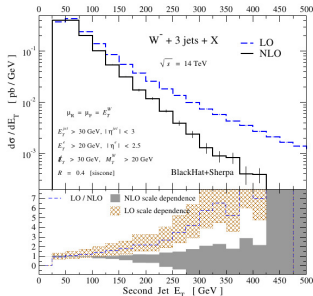
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{S}_N(\Phi_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes \Phi_1) &= \mathcal{B}_N(\Phi_{\mathcal{B}}) \otimes \mathcal{S}_1(\Phi_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes \Phi_1) \\ \mathcal{I}_N^{(S)}(\Phi_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes \Phi_1) &= \mathcal{B}_N(\Phi_{\mathcal{B}}) \otimes \mathcal{I}_1^{(S)}(\Phi_{\mathcal{B}}), \end{aligned}$$

and invertible phase space mapping (e.g. Catani-Seymour)

$$\Phi_{\mathcal{R}} \longleftrightarrow \Phi_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes \Phi_1$$

aside: choices ...

- common lore: NLO calculations reduce scale uncertainties
- this is, in general, true. however:
unphysical scale choices will yield unphysical results



- more ways of botching it at higher orders

splitting kernels

- first implementations used DGLAP splitting kernels:

$$\mathcal{K}_{ijk}(\Phi_1) = \frac{dtd\phi}{t} \frac{\alpha_S(\mu)}{2\pi} \hat{P}_{\{ij\} \rightarrow ij}(z)$$

with colour factors C and $\hat{P}_{\{ij\} \rightarrow ij}$ given by

$$P_{q \rightarrow qg}(z) = C_F \left[\frac{2}{1-z} - (1+z) \right]$$

$$P_{q \rightarrow gq}(z) = C_F \left[\frac{1+(1-z)^2}{z} \right]$$

$$P_{g \rightarrow q\bar{q}}(z) = T_R \left[z^2 + (1-z)^2 \right]$$

$$P_{g \rightarrow gg}(z) = C_A \left[\frac{2}{1-z} + \frac{2}{z} - 2(z^2 - z + 2) \right]$$

- refinements of splitting kernels: Catani-Seymour subtraction kernels or symmetrised eikonal kernels, both including recoil factor [\(see later\)](#)

rederiving the splitting functions (pedestrianized)

- differential cross section for gluon emission in $e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{jets}$

$$\frac{d\sigma_{ee \rightarrow 3j}}{dx_1 dx_2} = \sigma_{ee \rightarrow 2j} \frac{C_F \alpha_s}{\pi} \frac{x_1^2 + x_2^2}{(1-x_1)(1-x_2)}$$

singular for $x_{1,2} \rightarrow 1$.

- rewrite with opening angle θ_{qg} and gluon energy fraction $x_3 = 2E_g/E_{\text{c.m.}}$:

$$\frac{d\sigma_{ee \rightarrow 3j}}{d\cos\theta_{qg} dx_3} = \sigma_{ee \rightarrow 2j} \frac{C_F \alpha_s}{\pi} \left[\frac{2}{\sin^2\theta_{qg}} \frac{1 + (1-x_3)^2}{x_3} - x_3 \right]$$

singular for $x_3 \rightarrow 0$ ("soft"), $\sin\theta_{qg} \rightarrow 0$ ("collinear").

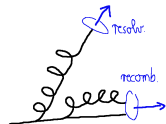
- re-express collinear singularities

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{2d \cos \theta_{qg}}{\sin^2 \theta_{qg}} &= \frac{d \cos \theta_{qg}}{1 - \cos \theta_{qg}} + \frac{d \cos \theta_{qg}}{1 + \cos \theta_{qg}} \\ &= \frac{d \cos \theta_{qg}}{1 - \cos \theta_{qg}} + \frac{d \cos \theta_{\bar{q}g}}{1 - \cos \theta_{\bar{q}g}} \approx \frac{d\theta_{qg}^2}{\theta_{qg}^2} + \frac{d\theta_{\bar{q}g}^2}{\theta_{\bar{q}g}^2}\end{aligned}$$

- independent evolution of two jets (q and \bar{q})

$$d\sigma_{ee \rightarrow 3j} \approx \sigma_{ee \rightarrow 2j} \sum_{j \in \{q, \bar{q}\}} \frac{C_F \alpha_s}{2\pi} \frac{d\theta_{jg}^2}{\theta_{jg}^2} P(z),$$

- what is a parton?
collinear pair/soft parton recombine!
- introduce resolution criterion $k_{\perp} > Q_0$.



- combine virtual contributions with unresolvable emissions:
cancels infrared divergences \implies finite at $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$

(Kinoshita-Lee-Nauenberg, Bloch-Nordsieck theorems)

- unitarity: probabilities add up to one
 $\mathcal{P}(\text{resolved}) + \mathcal{P}(\text{unresolved}) = 1$.



- the Sudakov form factor, once more
- differential probability for emission between q^2 and $q^2 + dq^2$:

$$d\mathcal{P} = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \frac{dq^2}{q^2} \int_{z_{\min}}^{z_{\max}} dz P(z) =: dq^2 \Gamma(q^2)$$

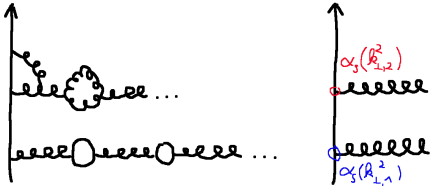
- from radioactive example: evolution equation for Δ

$$-\frac{d\Delta(Q^2, q^2)}{dq^2} = \Delta(Q^2, q^2) \frac{d\mathcal{P}}{dq^2} = \Delta(Q^2, q^2) \Gamma(q^2)$$

$$\implies \Delta(Q^2, q^2) = \exp \left[- \int_{q^2}^{Q^2} dk^2 \Gamma(k^2) \right]$$

quantum improvements: running coupling

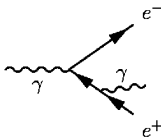
- improvement: inclusion of various quantum effects
- trivial: effect of summing up higher orders (loops) $\alpha_s \rightarrow \alpha_s(k_{\perp}^2)$



- much faster parton proliferation, especially for small k_{\perp}^2 .
- avoid Landau pole: $k_{\perp}^2 > Q_0^2 \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2 \implies Q_0^2 = \text{physical parameter}$.

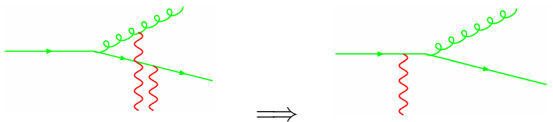
quantum improvements: ordering

- consider two subsequent emissions and effect of interference: leads to (calculable) cancellations in parts of phase space
- QM considerations:
 - assume splittings $\gamma \rightarrow e^+ e^-$ with θ_{ee} and $e^- \rightarrow e^- \gamma$ at θ , with photon momentum k
 - energy imbalance at vertex: $k_{\perp}^{\gamma} \sim k_{\parallel} \theta$, hence $\Delta E \sim k_{\perp}^2 / k_{\parallel} \sim k_{\parallel} \theta^2$.
 - formation time for photon emission:
 $\Delta t \sim 1/\Delta E \sim k_{\parallel} / k_{\perp}^2 \sim 1/(k_{\parallel} \theta^2)$.
 - ee-separation: $\Delta b \sim \theta_{ee} \Delta t$
 - must be larger than transverse wavelength of photon: $\theta_{ee} / (k_{\parallel} \theta^2) > 1/k_{\perp} = 1/(k_{\parallel} \theta)$
 - thus: $\theta_{ee} > \theta$ must be satisfied for photon to form



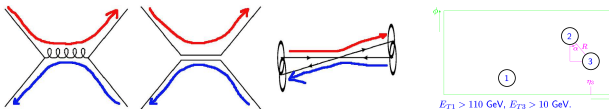
- angular ordering (or similar) as manifestation of quantum coherence

- QCD: all quanta are colored
- pictorial solution

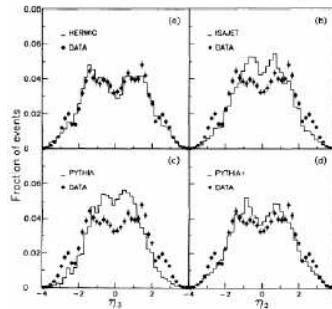
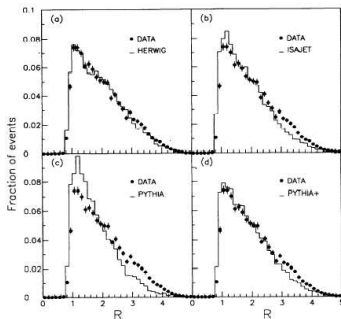


gluons at large angle from combined colour charge!

- experimental manifestation:
 ΔR of 2nd & 3rd jet in multi-jet events in pp-collisions



$E_{T1} > 110 \text{ GeV}$, $E_{T2} > 10 \text{ GeV}$.



parton showers, compact notation

- Sudakov form factor (**no-decay** probability)

$$\Delta_{ij,k}^{(\mathcal{K})}(t, t_0) = \exp \left[- \int_{t_0}^t \frac{dt}{t} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \int dz \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} \underbrace{\mathcal{K}_{ij,k}(t, z, \phi)}_{\text{splitting kernel for } (ij) \rightarrow ij \text{ (spectator } k)} \right]$$

- evolution parameter t defined by kinematics

generalised angle (HERWIG++) or transverse momentum (PYTHIA, SHERPA)

- will replace $\frac{dt}{t} dz \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} \rightarrow d\Phi_1$

- scale choice for strong coupling: $\alpha_s(k_{\perp}^2)$

resums classes of higher logarithms

- regularisation through cut-off t_0

- “compound” splitting kernels \mathcal{K}_n and Sudakov form factors $\Delta_n^{(\mathcal{K})}$ for emission off n -particle final state:

$$\mathcal{K}_n(\Phi_1) = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \sum_{\text{all } \{ij,k\}} \mathcal{K}_{ij,k}(\Phi_{ij,k}), \quad \Delta_n^{(\mathcal{K})}(t, t_0) = \exp \left[- \int_{t_0}^t d\Phi_1 \mathcal{K}_n(\Phi_1) \right]$$

- consider first emission only off Born configuration

$$d\sigma_B = d\Phi_N \mathcal{B}_N(\Phi_N)$$

$$\cdot \underbrace{\left\{ \Delta_N^{(\mathcal{K})}(\mu_N^2, t_0) + \int_{t_0}^{\mu_N^2} d\Phi_1 \left[\mathcal{K}_N(\Phi_1) \Delta_N^{(\mathcal{K})}(\mu_N^2, t(\Phi_1)) \right] \right\}}_{\text{integrates to unity} \rightarrow \text{“unitarity” of parton shower}}$$

- further emissions by recursion with $Q^2 = t$ of previous emission

the link to resummation

- origin of observables such as $p_{\perp}^{W,z,H}$:
(multiple) initial state parton emissions, boson “kicked” out by recoil
- resum emissions with Sudakov form factor
- build Sudakov form factor from “parton splitting kernels”,
in Q_T resummation:

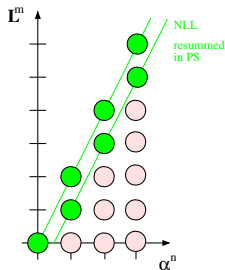
$$\Delta(Q^2, Q_0^2) = \exp \left[- \int_{Q_0^2}^{Q^2} \frac{dk_{\perp}^2}{k_{\perp}^2} \left(A(k_{\perp}^2) \log \frac{Q^2}{k_{\perp}^2} + B(k_{\perp}^2) \right) \right]$$

both A and B have expansion in α_S

- various schemes available: Q_T , SCET, etc.

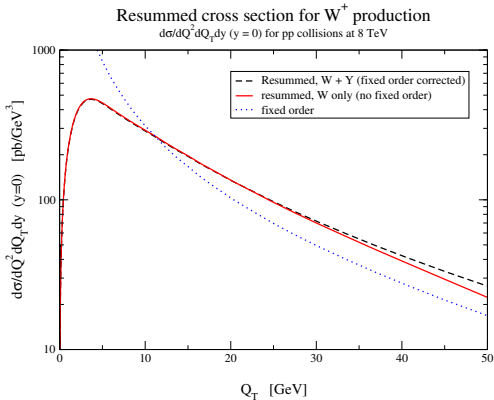
- analyse structure of emissions above
- logarithmic accuracy in $\log \frac{\mu_N}{k_\perp}$ (à la CSS) possibly up to next-to leading log,
 - if evolution parameter \sim transverse momentum,
 - if argument in α_s is $\propto k_\perp$ of splitting,
 - if $K_{ij,k} \rightarrow$ terms $A_{1,2}$ and B_1 upon integration

(OK, if soft gluon correction is included, and if $K_{ij,k} \rightarrow$ AP splitting kernels)



- in CSS k_\perp typically is the transverse momentum of produced system, in parton shower of course related to the cumulative effect of explicit multiple emissions
- resummation scale $\mu_N \approx \mu_F$ given by (Born) kinematics – simple for cases like $q\bar{q}' \rightarrow V$, $gg \rightarrow H$, ... tricky for more complicated cases

- example result: interplay of fixed order and resummation



- note: parton shower will act similar to Q_T resummation

currently best realisation:

- evolution and splitting parameter ($((ij) + k \rightarrow i + j + k)$):

$$\kappa_{j,ik}^2 = \frac{4(p_i p_j)(p_j p_k)}{Q^4} \quad \text{and} \quad z_j = \frac{2(p_j p_k)}{Q^2}.$$

- splitting functions including IR regularisation

(à la Curci, Furmanski & Petronzio, Nucl.Phys. B175 (1980) 27-92)

$$P_{qq}^{(0)}(z, \kappa^2) = 2C_F \left[\frac{1-z}{(1-z)^2 + \kappa^2} - \frac{1+z}{2} \right],$$

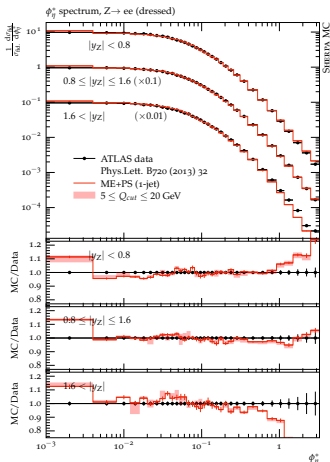
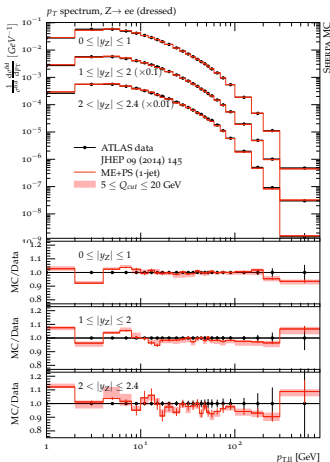
$$P_{qg}^{(0)}(z, \kappa^2) = 2C_F \left[\frac{z}{z^2 + \kappa^2} - \frac{2-z}{2} \right],$$

$$P_{gg}^{s(0)}(z, \kappa^2) = 2C_A \left[\frac{1-z}{(1-z)^2 + \kappa^2} - 1 + \frac{z(1-z)}{2} \right],$$

$$P_{gq}^{(0)}(z, \kappa^2) = T_R \left[z^2 + (1-z)^2 \right]$$

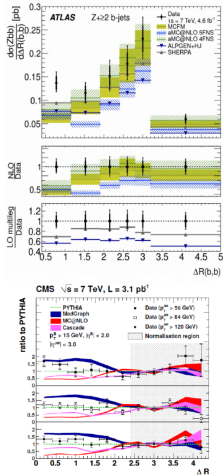
- renormalisation/factorisation scale given by $\mu^2 = \kappa^2 Q^2$
- combine gluon splitting from two splitting functions with different spectators $k \rightarrow$ accounts for different colour flows

example: achievable precision of shower alone in DY

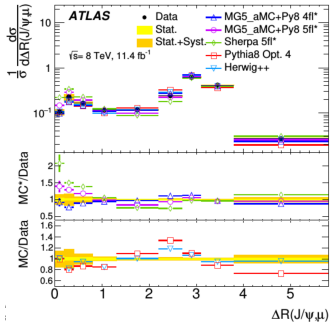
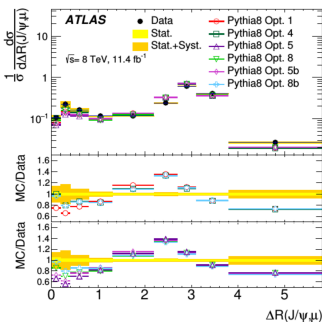


massive quarks are tricky

- parton showers geared towards collinear & soft emissions of gluons (double log structure)
- $g \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ only collinear, beyond “shower-approximation” \rightarrow no soft gluon
- old measurements at of inclusive $g \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ and $g \rightarrow c\bar{c}$ rate
- fix this at LHC for modern showers (important for $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$)
- questions: kernel, scale in α_s (example: k_{\perp} vs. m_{bb})



- ATLAS measurement in $b\bar{b}$ production
- use decay products in $B \rightarrow J/\Psi(\mu\mu) + X$ and $B \rightarrow \mu + X$
- use muons as proxies, most obvious observable $\Delta R(J\Psi, \mu)$



massive quarks are tricky - encore

- heavy quarks also problematic in initial state:
no PDF support for $Q^2 \leq m_Q^2 \rightarrow$ quarks stop showering
- possible solutions:
 - naive: ignore and leave for beam remnants (SHERPA)
 - better: enforce splitting in region around m_Q^2 (PYTHIA)
 \rightarrow effectively produces collinear Q and gluon in IS
- will need to check effect on precision observables: $p_{\perp}^{(W)}/p_{\perp}^{(Z)}$

another systematic uncertainty

- parton showers are approximations, based on leading colour, leading logarithmic accuracy, spin-averaged
- parametric accuracy by comparing Sudakov form factors:

$$\Delta = \exp \left\{ - \int \frac{dk_{\perp}^2}{k_{\perp}^2} \left[A \log \frac{k_{\perp}^2}{Q^2} + B \right] \right\},$$

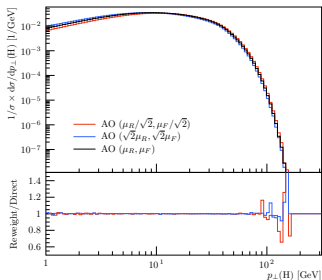
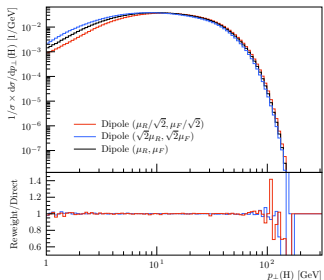
where A and B can be expanded in $\alpha_s(k_{\perp}^2)$

- showers usually include terms $A_{1,2}$ and B_1 (NLL)
- A_2 realised by pre-factor multiplying scale $\mu_R \simeq k_{\perp}$
(CMW rescaling: Catani, Marchesini, Webber, Nucl Phys B,349 635)
- fixed-order precision necessitates to consistently assess uncertainties from parton showers
(quite often just used as black box)
- maybe improve by including higher orders?

event generation (on-the-fly scale variations)

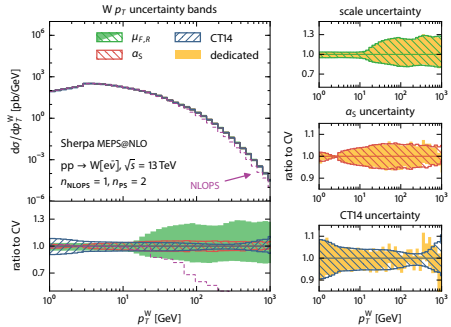
- basic idea: want to vary scales to assess uncertainties
- simple reweighting in matrix elements straightforward
- reweighting in parton shower more cumbersome
 - shower is probabilistic, concept of weight somewhat alien
 - introduce relative weight
 - evaluate (trial-)emission by (trial-)emission

implementation in HERWIG7

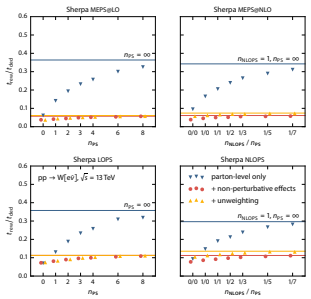


weight variation for $W + \text{jets}$ with MEPS@NLO

- uncertainties in p_{\perp}^W



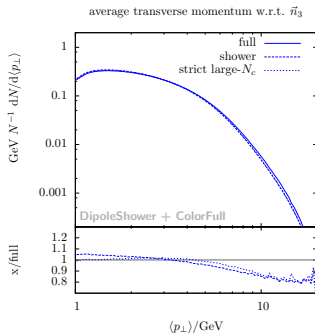
- CPU budget



going beyond leading colour

- start including next-to leading colour

(first attempts by Platzer & Sjö Dahl; Nagy & Soper)



- also included in 1st emission in SHERPA's MC@NLO

including NLO splitting kernels

(Hoeche, FK & Prestel, 1705.00982, and Hoeche & Prestel, 1705.00742)

- expand splitting kernels as

$$P(z, \kappa^2) = P^{(0)}(z, \kappa^2) + \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P^{(1)}(z, \kappa^2)$$

- aim: reproduce DGLAP evolution at NLO
include all NLO splitting kernels
- three categories of terms in $P^{(1)}$:
 - cusp (universal soft-enhanced correction) (already included in original showers)
 - corrections to $1 \rightarrow 2$
 - new flavour structures (e.g. $q \rightarrow q'$), identified as $1 \rightarrow 3$
- new paradigm: **two independent implementations**

subtle symmetry factors

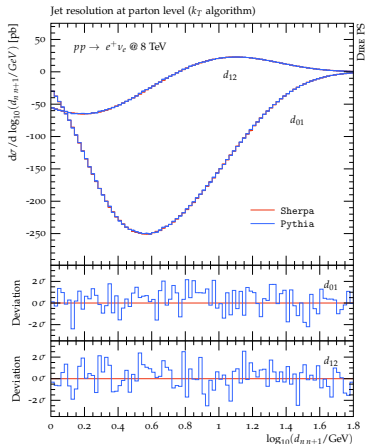
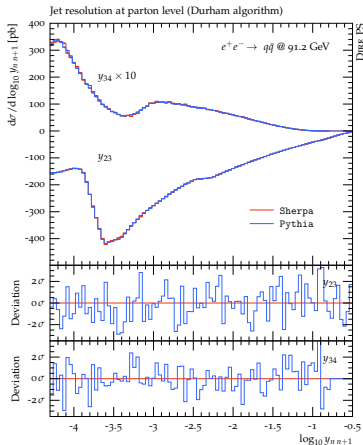
- observations for LO PS in final state:
 - only $P_{qq}^{(0)}$ used but not $P_{qg}^{(0)}$
 - $P_{gg}^{(0)}$ comes with “symmetry factor” $1/2$
- challenge this way of implementing symmetry through:

(Jadach & Skrzypek, hep-ph/0312355)

$$\sum_{i=q,g} \int_0^{1-\epsilon} dz z P_{qi}^{(0)}(z) = \int_{\epsilon}^{1-\epsilon} dz P_{qq}^{(0)}(z) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$$
$$\sum_{i=q,g} \int_0^{1-\epsilon} dz z P_{gi}^{(0)}(z) = \int_{\epsilon}^{1-\epsilon} dz \left[\frac{1}{2} P_{gg}^{(0)}(z) + n_f P_{gq}^{(0)}(z) \right] + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$$

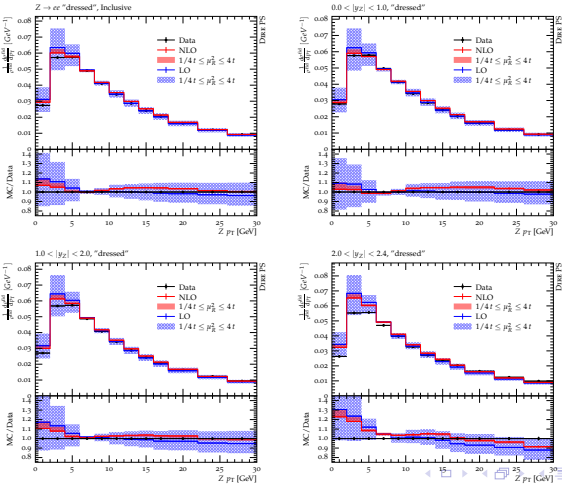
- net effect: replace symmetry factors by parton marker z

validation of $1 \rightarrow 3$ splittings



physical results: DY at LHC

(untuned showers vs. 7 TeV ATLAS data, optimistic scale variations)



leading colour differential two-loop soft corrections

(Dulat, Hoeche & Prestel, 1805.03757)

- analyse two-emission soft contribution and compare with iterated single emissions
- subtract double-counted terms and endpoint contributions
- capture residual effect by reweighting original parton shower, with
 - accounting for finite recoil
 - including first $1/N_c$ corrections
- incorporating spin correlations

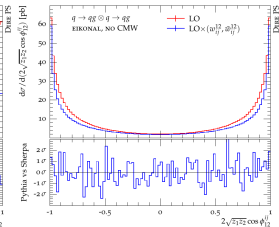
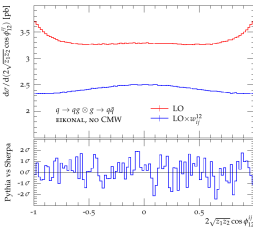
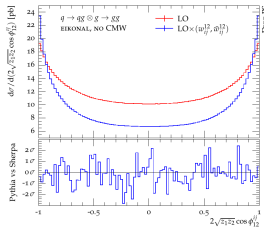
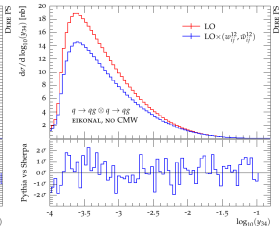
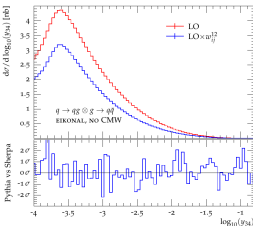
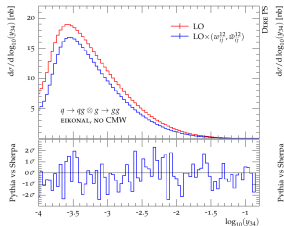
(another way to solve "problem" in Dasgupta et al., 1805.09327)

reweighting

$$q \rightarrow qg \otimes g \rightarrow gg$$

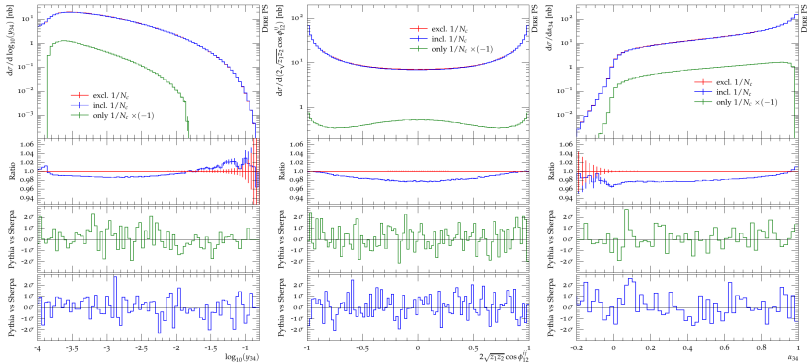
$$q \rightarrow qg \otimes g \rightarrow q\bar{q}$$

$$q \rightarrow qg \otimes q \rightarrow qg$$



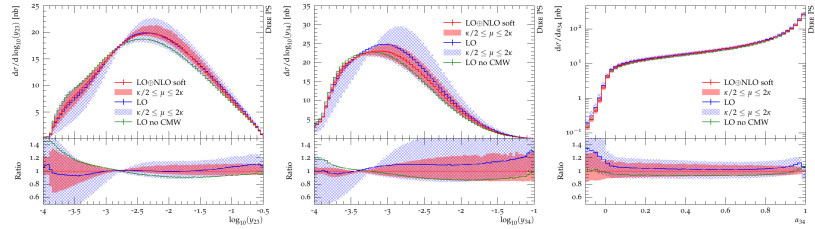
including $1/N_c$ effects

- capturing the difference of $C_F - C_A/2$ in assigning the correct emitter in the admixture of soft and collinear limits



scale uncertainties

- varying κ in the soft-enhanced terms, including NLO explicit corrections



PRECISION MONTE CARLO

- remember structure of NLO calculation for N -body production

$$\begin{aligned} d\sigma &= d\Phi_B \mathcal{B}_N(\Phi_B) + d\Phi_B \mathcal{V}_N(\Phi_B) + d\Phi_R \mathcal{R}_N(\Phi_R) \\ &= d\Phi_B \left(\mathcal{B}_N + \mathcal{V}_N + \mathcal{I}_N^{(S)} \right) + d\Phi_R \left(\mathcal{R}_N - \mathcal{S}_N \right) \end{aligned}$$

- phase space factorisation assumed here ($\Phi_R = \Phi_B \otimes \Phi_1$)

$$\int d\Phi_1 \mathcal{S}_N(\Phi_B \otimes \Phi_1) = \mathcal{I}_N^{(S)}(\Phi_B)$$

- process independent subtraction kernels

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{S}_N(\Phi_B \otimes \Phi_1) &= \mathcal{B}_N(\Phi_B) \otimes \mathcal{S}_1(\Phi_B \otimes \Phi_1) \\ \mathcal{I}_N^{(S)}(\Phi_B \otimes \Phi_1) &= \mathcal{B}_N(\Phi_B) \otimes \mathcal{I}_1^{(S)}(\Phi_B) \end{aligned}$$

with **universal** $\mathcal{S}_1(\Phi_B \otimes \Phi_1)$ and $\mathcal{I}_1^{(S)}(\Phi_B)$

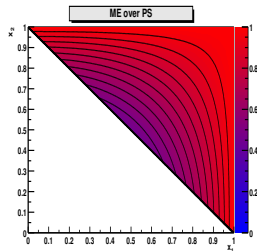
matrix element corrections

- parton shower ignores interferences typically present in matrix elements
- pictorially

$$\text{ME} : \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{diagram 1} \\ \text{diagram 2} \end{array} \right|^2 + \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{diagram 3} \\ \text{diagram 4} \end{array} \right|^2$$

$$\text{PS} : \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{diagram 1} \\ \text{diagram 2} \end{array} \right|^2 + \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{diagram 3} \\ \text{diagram 4} \end{array} \right|^2$$

The diagrams show two pairs of Feynman diagrams. The first pair (ME) includes interference terms between diagrams with different emission orders. The second pair (PS) shows the parton shower approximation where interference is neglected, and the total cross-section is the sum of the squares of individual diagrams.



- form many processes $\mathcal{R}_N < \mathcal{B}_N \times \mathcal{K}_N$
- typical processes: $q\bar{q}' \rightarrow V$, $e^-e^+ \rightarrow q\bar{q}$, $t \rightarrow bW$
- practical implementation: shower with usual algorithm, but reject first/hardest emissions with probability $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{R}_N / (\mathcal{B}_N \times \mathcal{K}_N)$

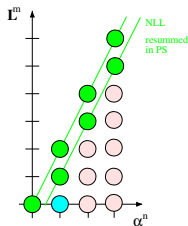
- analyse **first** emission, given by

$$d\sigma_B = d\Phi_N \mathcal{B}_N(\Phi_N)$$

$$\cdot \left\{ \Delta_N^{(\mathcal{R}/\mathcal{B})}(\mu_N^2, t_0) + \int_{t_0}^{\mu_N^2} d\Phi_1 \left[\frac{\mathcal{R}_N(\Phi_N \times \Phi_1)}{\mathcal{B}_N(\Phi_N)} \Delta_N^{(\mathcal{R}/\mathcal{B})}(\mu_N^2, t(\Phi_1)) \right] \right\}$$

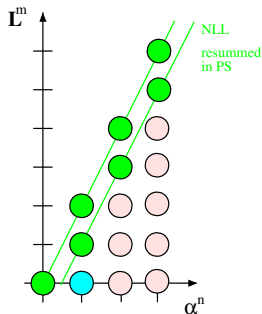
once more: integrates to unity \rightarrow “unitarity” of parton shower

- radiation given by \mathcal{R}_N (correct at $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$)
(but modified by logs of higher order in α_s from $\Delta_N^{(\mathcal{R}/\mathcal{B})}$)
- emission phase space constrained by μ_N
- also known as “soft ME correction”
hard ME correction fills missing phase space
- used for “power shower”:
 $\mu_N \rightarrow E_{pp}$ and apply ME correction



NLO matching: Basic idea

- parton shower resums logarithms
fair description of collinear/soft emissions
jet evolution (where the logs are large)
- matrix elements exact at given order
fair description of hard/large-angle emissions
jet production (where the logs are small)
- adjust (“match”) terms:
 - cross section at NLO accuracy & correct hardest emission in PS to exactly reproduce ME at order α_s (\mathcal{R} -part of the NLO calculation) (this is relatively trivial)
 - maintain (N)LL-accuracy of parton shower (this is not so simple to see)



POWHEG

- reminder: $\mathcal{K}_{ij,k}$ reproduces process-independent behaviour of $\mathcal{R}_N/\mathcal{B}_N$ in soft/collinear regions of phase space

$$d\Phi_1 \frac{\mathcal{R}_N(\Phi_{N+1})}{\mathcal{B}_N(\Phi_N)} \xrightarrow{\text{IR}} d\Phi_1 \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \mathcal{K}_{ij,k}(\Phi_1)$$

- define **modified Sudakov form factor** (as in ME correction)

$$\Delta_N^{(\mathcal{R}/\mathcal{B})}(\mu_N^2, t_0) = \exp \left[- \int_{t_0}^{\mu_N^2} d\Phi_1 \frac{\mathcal{R}_N(\Phi_{N+1})}{\mathcal{B}_N(\Phi_N)} \right],$$

- assumes factorisation of phase space: $\Phi_{N+1} = \Phi_N \otimes \Phi_1$
- typically will adjust scale of α_s to parton shower scale

- define local K -factors
- start from Born configuration Φ_N with NLO weight:

("local K -factor")

$$\begin{aligned}
 d\sigma_N^{(\text{NLO})} &= d\Phi_N \bar{\mathcal{B}}(\Phi_N) \\
 &= d\Phi_N \left\{ \mathcal{B}_N(\Phi_N) + \underbrace{\mathcal{V}_N(\Phi_N) + \mathcal{B}_N(\Phi_N) \otimes \mathcal{S}}_{\check{\mathcal{V}}_N(\Phi_N)} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \int d\Phi_1 [\mathcal{R}_N(\Phi_N \otimes \Phi_1) - \mathcal{B}_N(\Phi_N) \otimes d\mathcal{S}(\Phi_1)] \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

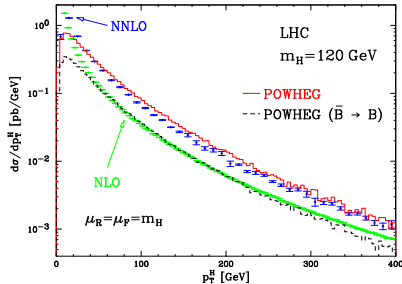
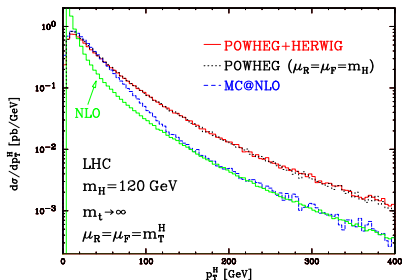
- by construction: exactly reproduce cross section at NLO accuracy
- note: second term vanishes if $\mathcal{R}_N \equiv \mathcal{B}_N \otimes d\mathcal{S}$

(relevant for MC@NLO)

- analyse accuracy of radiation pattern
- generate emissions with $\Delta_N^{(\mathcal{R}/\mathcal{B})}(\mu_N^2, t_0)$:

$$d\sigma_N^{(\text{NLO})} = d\Phi_N \bar{\mathcal{B}}(\Phi_N) \times \underbrace{\left\{ \Delta_N^{(\mathcal{R}/\mathcal{B})}(\mu_N^2, t_0) + \int_{t_0}^{\mu_N^2} d\Phi_1 \frac{\mathcal{R}_N(\Phi_N \otimes \Phi_1)}{\mathcal{B}_N(\Phi_N)} \Delta_N^{(\mathcal{R}/\mathcal{B})}(\mu_N^2, k_\perp^2(\Phi_1)) \right\}}_{\text{integrating to yield 1 - "unitarity of parton shower"}}$$

- radiation pattern like in ME correction
- pitfall, again: choice of upper scale μ_N^2 (this is vanilla POWHEG!)
- apart from logs: which configurations enhanced by local K -factor
(K -factor for inclusive production of X adequate for X + jet at large p_\perp ?)



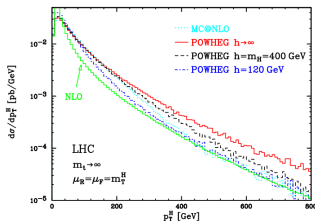
- large enhancement at high $p_{T,h}$
- can be traced back to large NLO correction
- fortunately, NNLO correction is also large $\rightarrow \sim$ agreement

- improving POWHEG
- split real-emission ME as

$$\mathcal{R} = \mathcal{R} \left(\underbrace{\frac{h^2}{p_{\perp}^2 + h^2}}_{\mathcal{R}^{(S)}} + \underbrace{\frac{p_{\perp}^2}{p_{\perp}^2 + h^2}}_{\mathcal{R}^{(F)}} \right)$$

- can “tune” h to mimick NNLO - or other (resummation) result
- differential event rate up to first emission

$$d\sigma = d\Phi_B \bar{\mathcal{B}}^{(R^{(S)})} \left[\Delta^{(R^{(S)}/B)}(s, t_0) + \int_{t_0}^s d\Phi_1 \frac{\mathcal{R}^{(S)}}{B} \Delta^{(R^{(S)}/B)}(s, k_{\perp}^2) \right] + d\Phi_R \mathcal{R}^{(F)}(\Phi_R)$$



MC@NLO

- MC@NLO paradigm: divide \mathcal{R}_N in soft ("S") and hard ("H") part:

$$\mathcal{R}_N = \mathcal{R}_N^{(S)} + \mathcal{R}_N^{(H)} = \mathcal{B}_N \otimes d\mathcal{S}_1 + \mathcal{H}_N$$

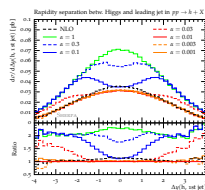
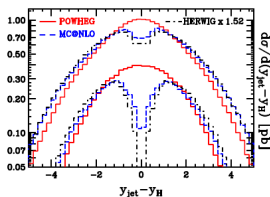
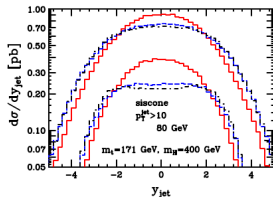
- identify subtraction terms and shower kernels $d\mathcal{S}_1 \equiv \sum_{\{ij,k\}} \mathcal{K}_{ij,k}$

(modify \mathcal{K} in 1st emission to account for colour)

$$d\sigma_N = d\Phi_N \underbrace{\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_N(\Phi_N)}_{\mathcal{B}+\tilde{\mathcal{V}}} \left[\Delta_N^{(\mathcal{K})}(\mu_N^2, t_0) + \int_{t_0}^{\mu_N^2} d\Phi_1 \mathcal{K}_{ij,k}(\Phi_1) \Delta_N^{(\mathcal{K})}(\mu_N^2, k_\perp^2) \right] + d\Phi_{N+1} \mathcal{H}_N$$

- effect: only resummed parts modified with local K -factor

- phase space effects: shower vs. fixed order



- problem: impact of subtraction terms on local K -factor (filling of phase space by parton shower)
- studied in case of $gg \rightarrow H$ above
- proper filling of available phase space by parton shower paramount

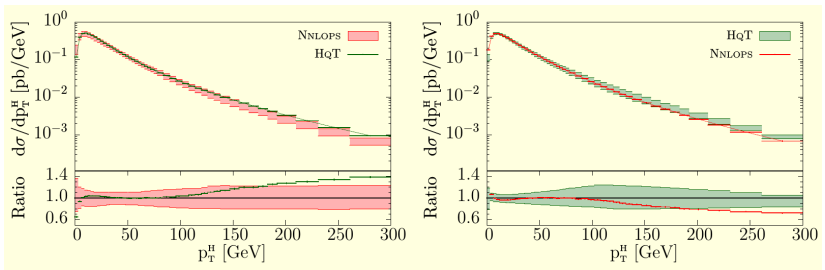
NNLOPS in the MINLO approach: merging without Q_J

(K.Hamilton, P.Nason, C.Oleari & G.Zanderighi, JHEP 1305 (2013) 082)

- based on POWHEG + shower from PYTHIA or HERWIG
 - up to today only for singlet S production, gives NNLO + PS
 - basic idea:
 - use S +jet in POWHEG
 - push jet cut to parton shower IR cutoff
 - apply analytical NNLL Sudakov rejection weight for intrinsic line in Born configuration
- (kills divergent behaviour at order α_S)
- don't forget double-counted terms
 - reweight to NNLO fixed order

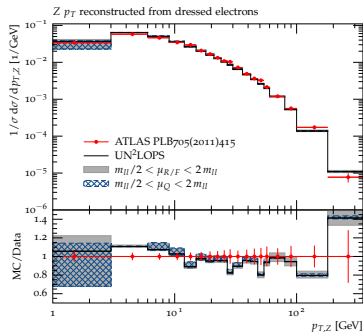
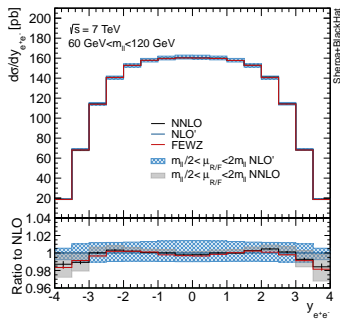
NNLOPS for H production

(K.Hamilton, P.Nason, E.Re & G.Zanderighi, JHEP 1310 (2013) 222)



NNLOPS for Z production: UNNLOPS

S. Hoche, Y. Li, & S. Prestel, Phys.Rev.D90 & D91



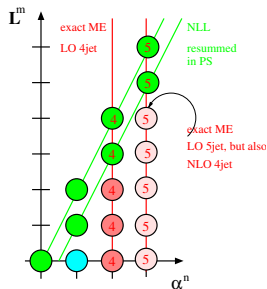
- also available for H production

NNLOs: shortcomings/limitations

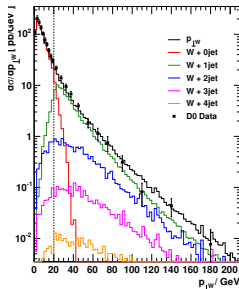
- MINLO relies on knowledge of B_2 terms from analytic resummation
→ to date only known for colour singlet production
- MINLO relies on reweighting with full NNLO result
→ one parameter for H (y_H), more complicated for Z , ...
- UNNLOs relies on integrating single- and double emission to low scales and combination of unresolved with virtual emissions
→ potential efficiency issues, need NNLO subtraction
- UNNLOs puts unresolved & virtuals in “zero-emission” bin
→ no parton showering for virtuals (?)

multijet merging: basic idea

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fair description of collinear/soft emissions
jet evolution (where the logs are large)
- matrix elements exact at given order
fair description of hard/large-angle emissions
jet production (where the logs are small)
- combine (“merge”) both:
result: “towers” of MEs with increasing number of jets evolved with PS
 - multijet cross sections at Born accuracy
 - maintain (N)LL accuracy of parton shower



- separate regions of jet production and jet evolution with jet measure Q_J
("truncated showering" if not identical with evolution parameter)
- matrix elements populate hard regime
- parton showers populate soft domain

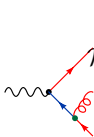


why it works: jet rates with the parton shower

- consider jet production in $e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$
Durham jet definition: relative transverse momentum $k_\perp > Q_J$
- fixed order: one factor α_S and up to $\log^2 \frac{E_{\text{c.m.}}}{Q_J}$ per jet
- use **Sudakov form factor** for resummation & replace **approximate fixed order** by exact expression:



$$\mathcal{R}_2(Q_J) = [\Delta_q(E_{\text{c.m.}}^2, Q_J^2)]^2$$



$$\mathcal{R}_3(Q_J) = 2\Delta_q(E_{\text{c.m.}}^2, Q_J^2) \int_{Q_J^2}^{E_{\text{c.m.}}^2} \frac{dk_\perp^2}{k_\perp^2} \left[\frac{\alpha_s(k_\perp^2)}{2\pi} dz \mathcal{K}_q(k_\perp^2, z) \right]$$

$$\times \Delta_q(E_{\text{c.m.}}^2, k_\perp^2) \Delta_q(k_\perp^2, Q_J^2) \Delta_g(k_\perp^2, Q_J^2)$$

multijet merging at LO

- expression for first emission

$$\begin{aligned}
 d\sigma = & \quad d\Phi_N \mathcal{B}_N \left[\Delta_N^{(\mathcal{K})}(\mu_N^2, t_0) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + \int_{t_0}^{\mu_N^2} d\Phi_1 \mathcal{K}_N \Delta_N^{(\mathcal{K})}(\mu_N^2, t_{N+1}) \Theta(Q_J - Q_{N+1}) \right] \\
 & \quad + d\Phi_{N+1} \mathcal{B}_{N+1} \Delta_N^{(\mathcal{K})}(\mu_{N+1}^2, t_{N+1}) \Theta(Q_{N+1} - Q_J)
 \end{aligned}$$

- note: $N + 1$ -contribution includes also $N + 2, N + 3, \dots$

(no Sudakov suppression below t_{n+1} , see further slides for iterated expression)

- potential occurrence of different shower start scales: $\mu_{N,N+1}, \dots$
- “unitarity violation” in square bracket: $\mathcal{B}_N \mathcal{K}_N \longrightarrow \mathcal{B}_{N+1}$

(cured with UMEPS formalism, L. Lönnblad & S. Prestel, JHEP 1302 (2013) 094 &

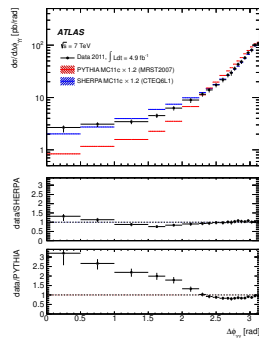
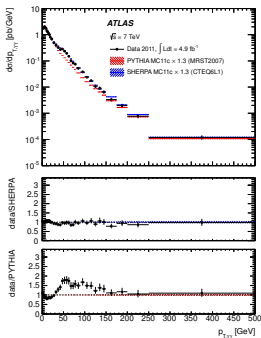
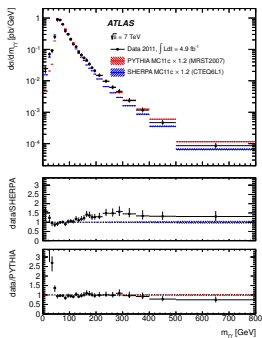
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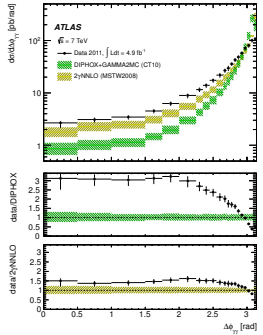
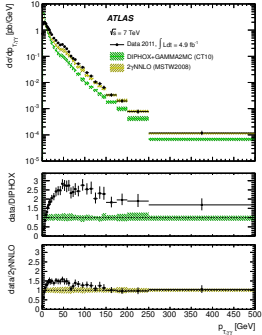
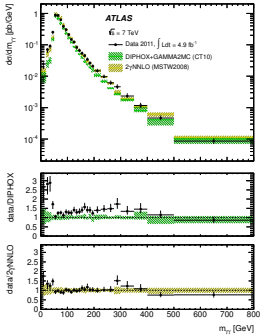
$$\begin{aligned}
d\sigma = & \sum_{n=N}^{n_{\max}-1} \left\{ d\Phi_n \mathcal{B}_n \left[\prod_{j=N}^{n-1} \Theta(Q_{j+1} - Q_j) \right] \left[\prod_{j=N}^{n-1} \Delta_j^{(\mathcal{K})}(t_j, t_{j+1}) \right] \right. \\
& \left. \times \left[\underbrace{\Delta_n^{(\mathcal{K})}(t_n, t_0)}_{\text{no emission}} + \underbrace{\int_{t_0}^{t_n} d\Phi_1 \mathcal{K}_n \Delta_n^{(\mathcal{K})}(t_n, t_{n+1}) \Theta(Q_j - Q_{n+1})}_{\text{next emission no jet \& below last ME emission}} \right] \right. \\
& \left. + d\Phi_{n_{\max}} \mathcal{B}_{n_{\max}} \left[\prod_{j=N}^{n_{\max}-1} \Theta(Q_{j+1} - Q_j) \right] \left[\prod_{j=N}^{n_{\max}-1} \Delta_j^{(\mathcal{K})}(t_j, t_{j+1}) \right] \right. \\
& \left. \times \left[\Delta_{n_{\max}}^{(\mathcal{K})}(t_{n_{\max}}, t_0) + \int_{t_0}^{t_{n_{\max}}} d\Phi_1 \mathcal{K}_{n_{\max}} \Delta_{n_{\max}}^{(\mathcal{K})}(t_{n_{\max}}, t_{n_{\max}+1}) \right] \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

di-photons @ ATLAS: $m_{\gamma\gamma}$, $p_{\perp,\gamma\gamma}$, and $\Delta\phi_{\gamma\gamma}$ in showers

(arXiv:1211.1913 [hep-ex])



aside: Comparison with higher order calculations



multijet-merging at NLO: MEPS@NLO

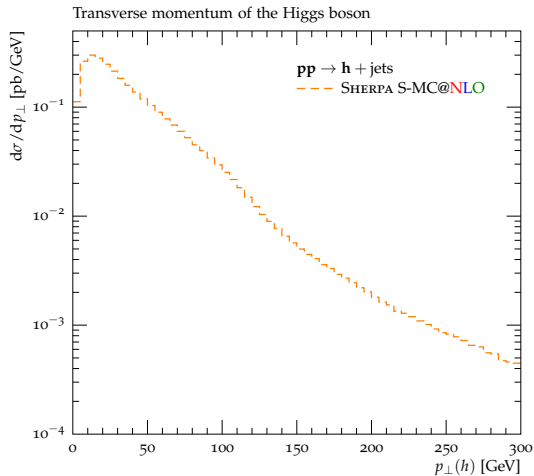
- basic idea like at LO: towers of MEs with increasing jet multiplicity (but this time at NLO)
- combine them into one sample, remove overlap/double-counting

maintain NLO and (N)LL accuracy of ME and PS

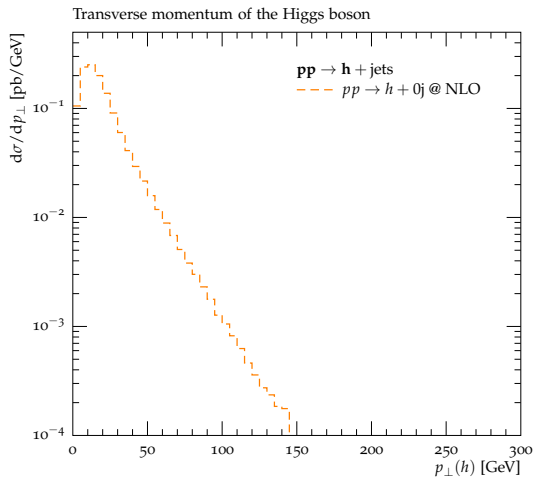
- this effectively translates into a merging of MC@NLO simulations and can be further supplemented with LO simulations for even higher final state multiplicities

first emission(s), once more

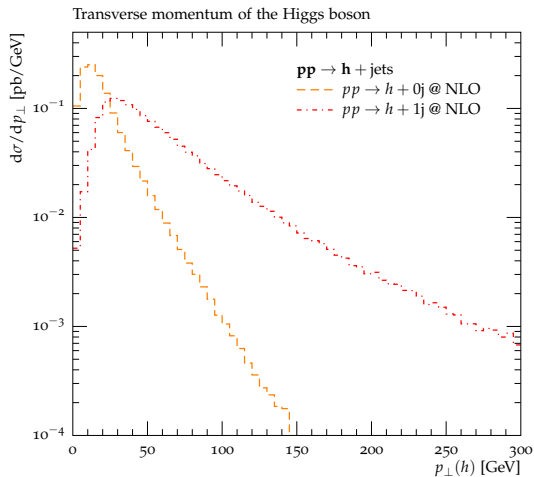
$$\begin{aligned}
 d\sigma = & d\Phi_N \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_N \left[\Delta_N^{(\mathcal{K})}(\mu_N^2, t_0) + \int_{t_0}^{\mu_N^2} d\Phi_1 \mathcal{K}_N \Delta_N^{(\mathcal{K})}(\mu_N^2, t_{N+1}) \Theta(Q_J - Q_{N+1}) \right] \\
 & + d\Phi_{N+1} \mathcal{H}_N \Delta_N^{(\mathcal{K})}(\mu_N^2, t_{N+1}) \Theta(Q_J - Q_{N+1}) \\
 & + d\Phi_{N+1} \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_{N+1} \left(1 + \frac{\mathcal{B}_{N+1}}{\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_{N+1}} \int_{t_{N+1}}^{\mu_N^2} d\Phi_1 \mathcal{K}_N \right) \Theta(Q_{N+1} - Q_J) \\
 & \cdot \left[\Delta_{N+1}^{(\mathcal{K})}(t_{N+1}, t_0) + \int_{t_0}^{t_{N+1}} d\Phi_1 \mathcal{K}_{N+1} \Delta_{N+1}^{(\mathcal{K})}(t_{N+1}, t_{N+2}) \right] \\
 & + d\Phi_{N+2} \mathcal{H}_{N+1} \Delta_N^{(\mathcal{K})}(\mu_N^2, t_{N+1}) \Delta_{N+1}^{(\mathcal{K})}(t_{N+1}, t_{N+2}) \Theta(Q_{N+1} - Q_J) + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

p_{\perp}^H in MEPS@NLO

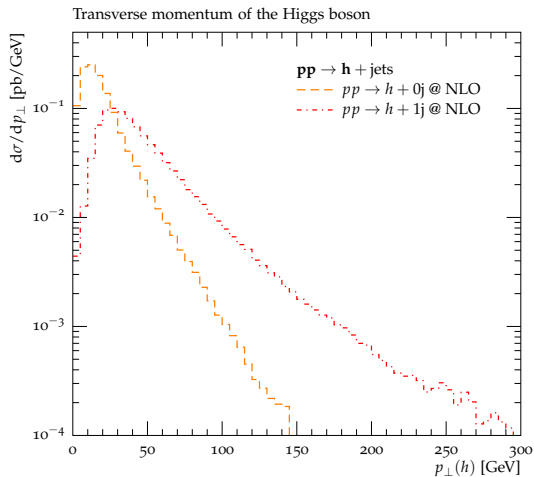
- first emission by Mc@NLO

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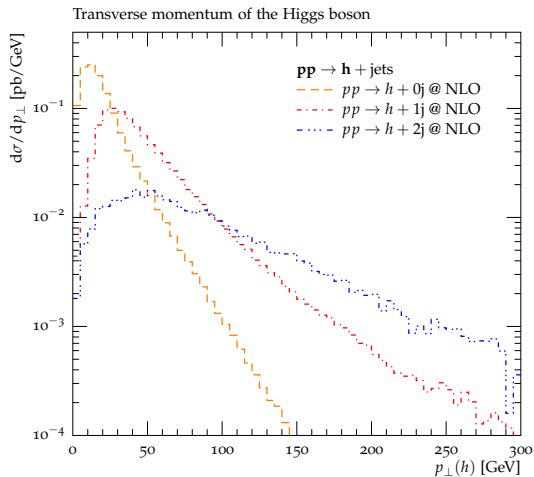
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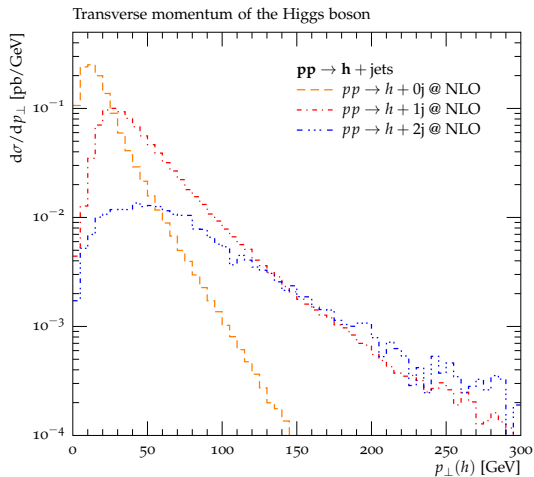
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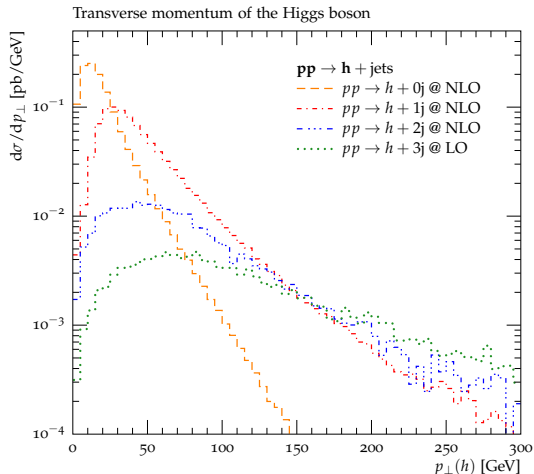
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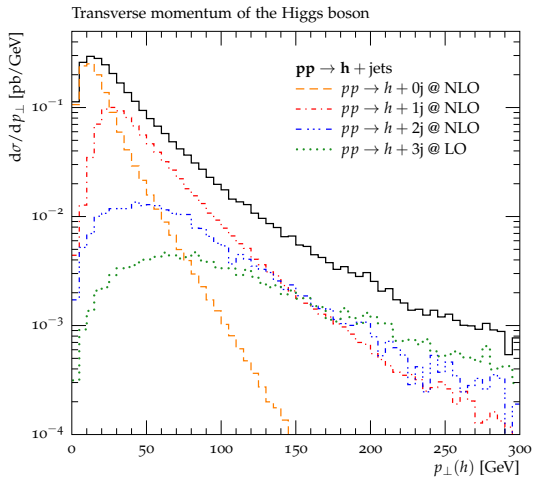
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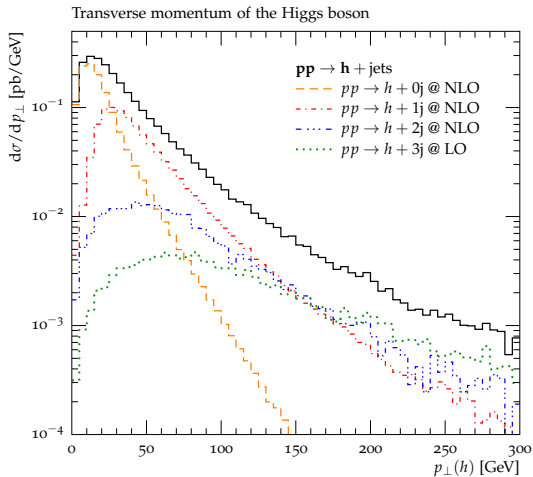
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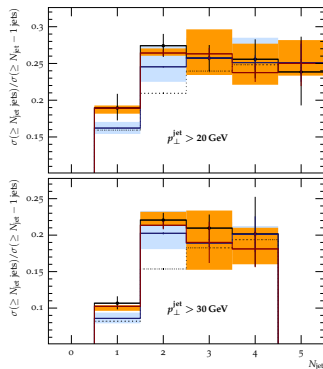
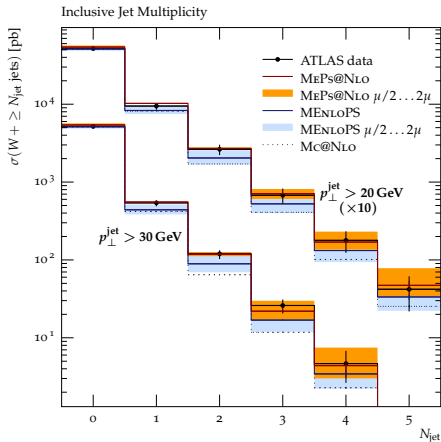
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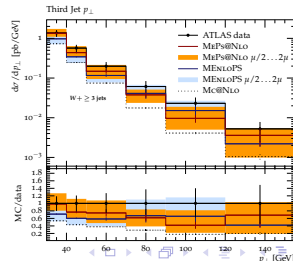
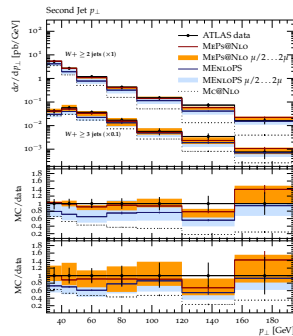
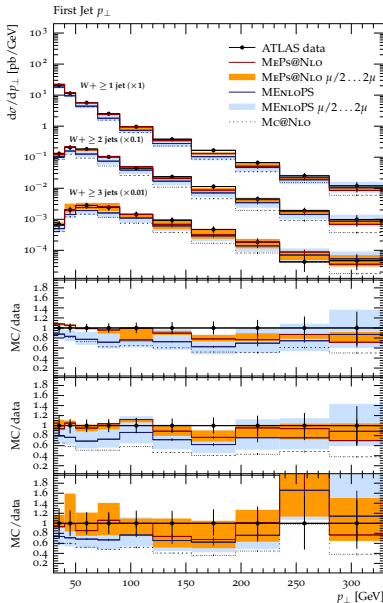


example: MEPS@NLO for $W + \text{jets}$

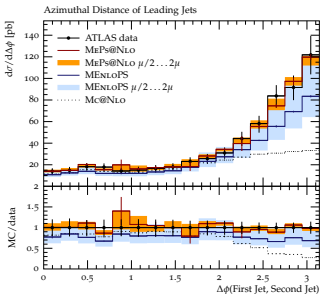
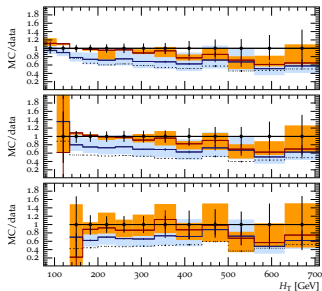
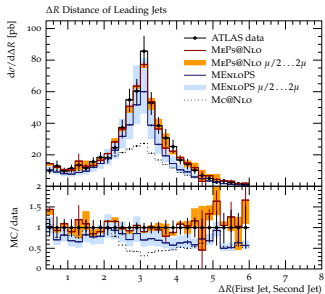
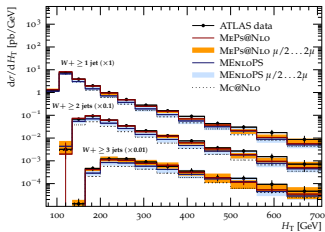
(up to two jets @ NLO, from BLACKHAT, see arXiv: 1207.5031 [hep-ex])



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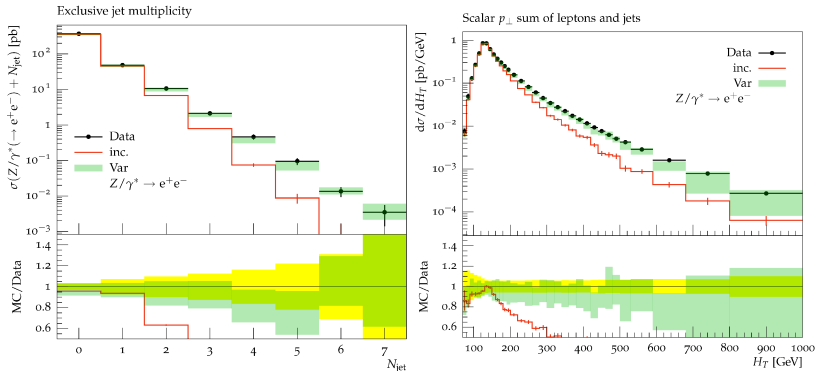




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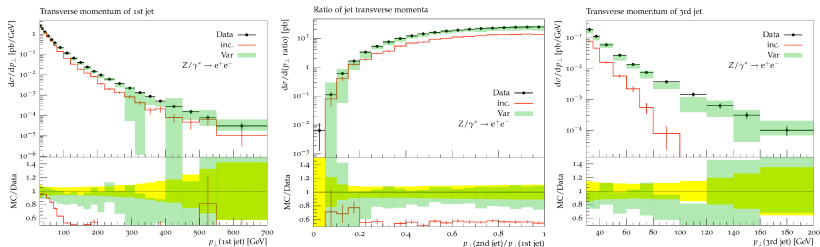




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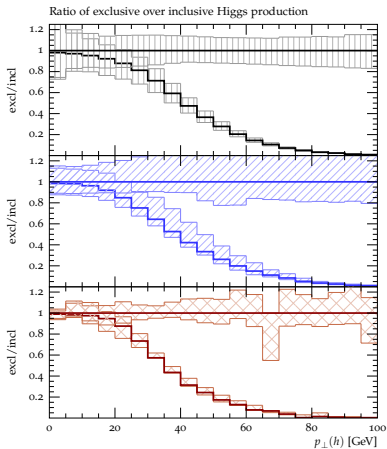
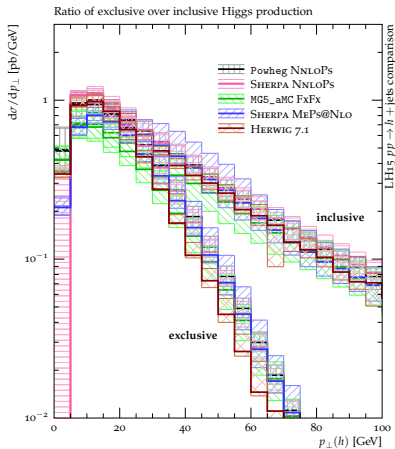
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differences between MEPS@NLO, UNLOPs & FxFx

	FxFx	MEPS@NLO	UNLOPs
ME	all internal <small>aMc@NLO, MADGRAPH</small>	\mathcal{V} external <small>COMIX or AMEGIC++ \mathcal{V} from OPENLOOPS, BLACKHAT, MJET, ...</small>	all external
shower	external <small>HERWIG or PYTHIA</small>	intrinsic	intrinsic <small>PYTHIA</small>
Δ_N $\Theta(Q_J)$	analytical a-posteriori	from PS per emission	from PS per emission
Q_J -range	relatively high <small>(but changed)</small>	$>$ Sudakov regime <small>$\approx 10\%$</small>	\approx Sudakov regime <small>$\approx 10\%$</small>

Higgs- p_{\perp} : exclusive over inclusive rate



- $\approx 20\%$ of Higgs with $p_{\perp} = 60$ GeV are not accompanied by a jet

motivation: the size of EW corrections

- EW corrections sizeable $\mathcal{O}(10\%)$ at large scales: **must include them!**
- but: more painful to calculate
- need EW showering & possibly corresponding PDFs

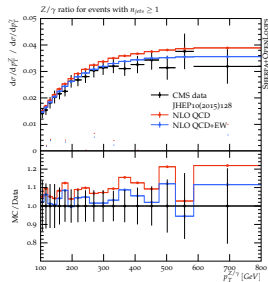
(somewhat in its infancy: chiral couplings)

- example: $Z\gamma$ vs. p_T (right plot)

(handle on p_{\perp}^Z in $Z \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}$)

(Kallweit, Lindert, Pozzorini, Schoenherr for LH'15)

- difference due to EW charge of Z
- no real correction (real V emission)
- improved description of $Z \rightarrow \ell\ell$



inclusion of electroweak corrections in simulation

- incorporate approximate electroweak corrections in MEPS@NLO
 - ① using electroweak Sudakov factors

$$\tilde{B}_n(\Phi_n) \approx \tilde{B}_n(\Phi_n) \Delta_{EW}(\Phi_n)$$

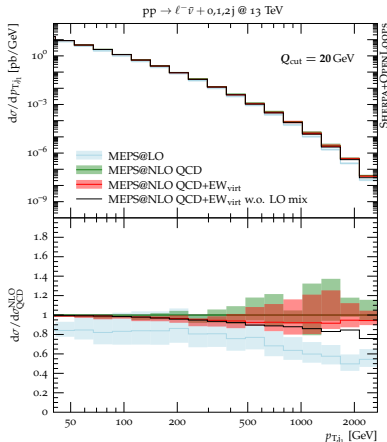
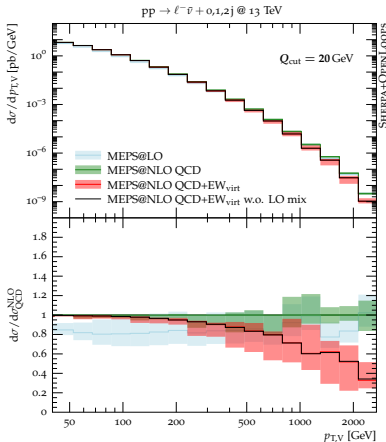
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$$\tilde{B}_n(\Phi_n) \approx \tilde{B}_n(\Phi_n) + V_{n,EW}(\Phi_n) + I_{n,EW}(\Phi_n) + B_{n,mix}(\Phi_n)$$

- real QED radiation can be recovered through standard tools (parton shower, YFS resummation)
- simple stand-in for proper QCD \oplus EW matching and merging
 → validated at fixed order, found to be reliable,
 difference $\lesssim 5\%$ for observables not driven by real radiation

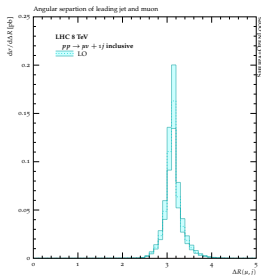
results: $pp \rightarrow \ell^- \bar{\nu} + \text{jets}$

(Kallweit, Lindert, Maierhöfer, Pozzorini, Schoenherr JHEP04(2016)021)



⇒ particle level events including dominant EW corrections

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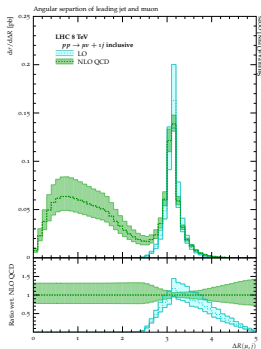


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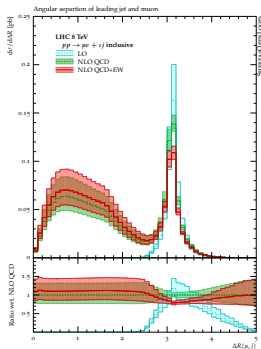


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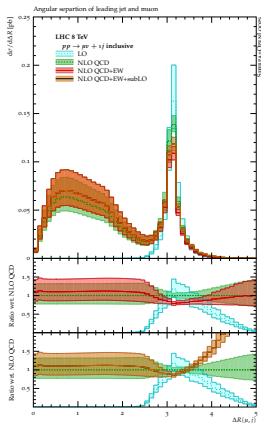


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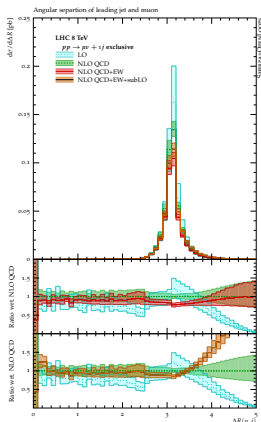
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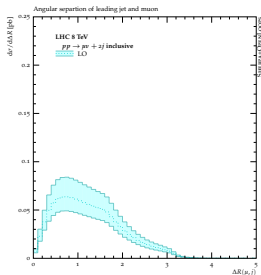
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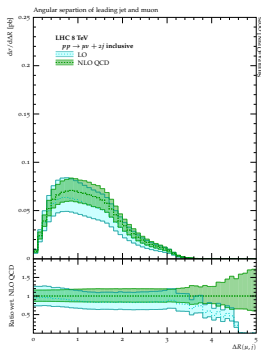


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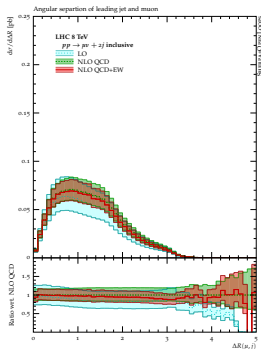


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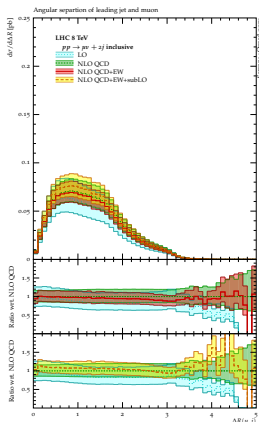
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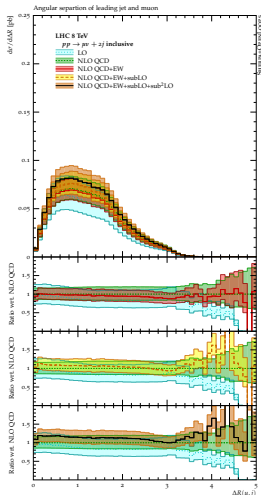


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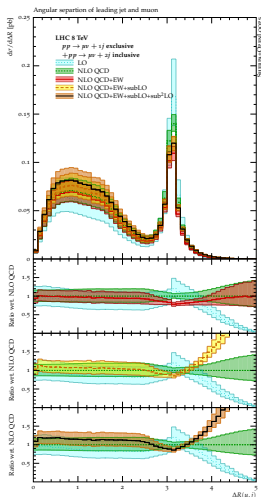


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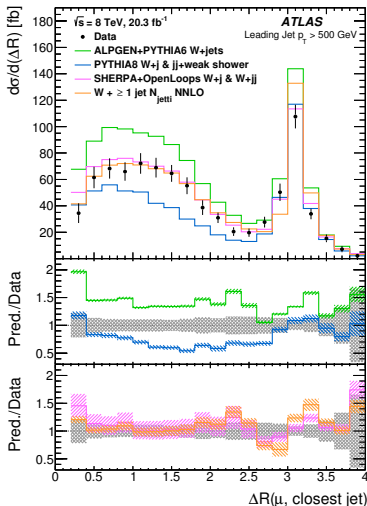
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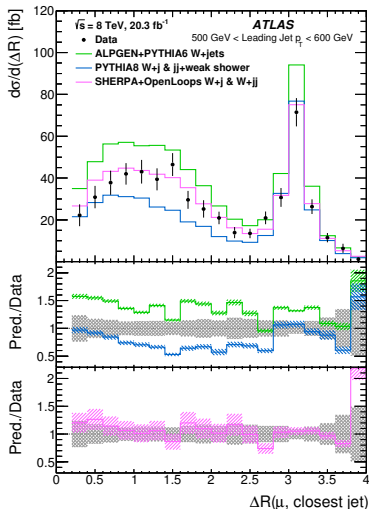


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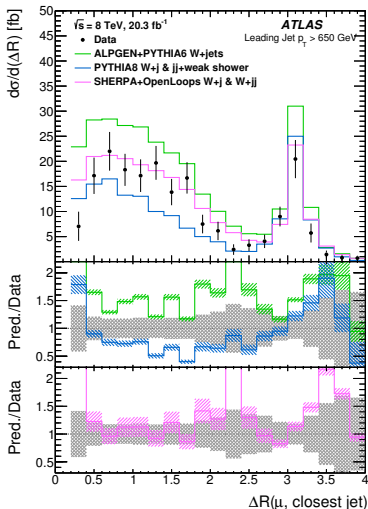


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SIMULATING SOFT QCD

QCD radiation, once more

- remember QCD emission pattern

$$dW^{q \rightarrow qg} = \frac{\alpha_s(k_\perp^2)}{2\pi} C_F \frac{dk_\perp^2}{k_\perp^2} \frac{d\omega}{\omega} \left[1 + \left(1 - \frac{\omega}{E} \right) \right].$$

- spectrum cut-off at small transverse momenta and energies by onset of hadronization, at scales $R \approx 1 \text{ fm}/\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$
- two (extreme) classes of emissions: gluons and gluers determined by relation of formation and hadronization times

- gluers formed at times R , with momenta $k_{\parallel} \sim k_{\perp} \sim \omega \gtrsim 1/R$
- assuming that hadrons follow partons,

$$\begin{aligned}
 dN_{(\text{hadrons})} &\sim \int_{k_{\perp} > 1/R}^Q \frac{dk_{\perp}^2}{k_{\perp}^2} \frac{C_F \alpha_s(k_{\perp}^2)}{2\pi} \left[1 + \left(1 - \frac{\omega}{E} \right) \right] \frac{d\omega}{\omega} \\
 &\sim \frac{C_F \alpha_s(1/R^2)}{\pi} \log(Q^2 R^2) \frac{d\omega}{\omega}
 \end{aligned}$$

or - relating their energy with that of the gluers -

$$dN_{(\text{hadrons})}/d \log \epsilon = \text{const.},$$

a plateau in log of energy (or in rapidity)

- impact of additional radiation
- new partons must separate before they can hadronize independently
- therefore, one more time

$$\begin{aligned}
 t^{\text{form}} &\sim \frac{k_{\parallel}}{k_{\perp}^2} \\
 t^{\text{sep}} &\sim R\theta \quad \sim t^{\text{form}} (Rk_{\perp}) \\
 t^{\text{had}} &\sim k_{\parallel} R^2 \quad \sim t^{\text{form}} (Rk_{\perp})^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

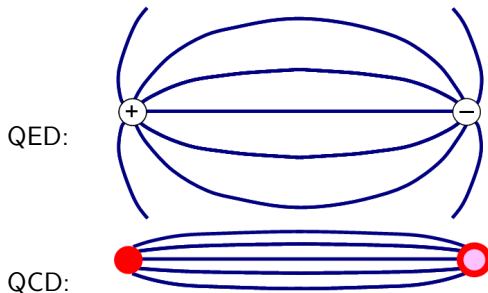
- for gluers $Rk_{\perp} \approx 1$: all times the same
- naively; new & more hadrons following new partons
- but: colour coherence
primary and secondary partons not separated enough in

$$1/R \lesssim \omega_{(\text{hadron})} \lesssim 1/(R\theta)$$

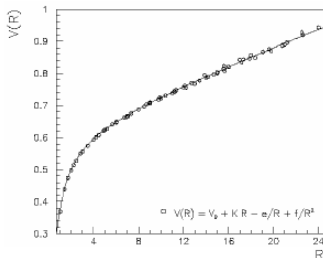
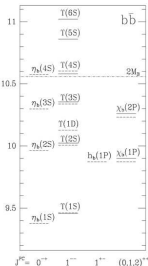
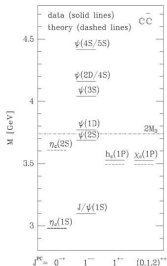
and therefore no independent radiation

hadronisation: General thoughts

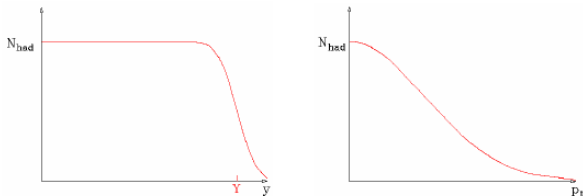
- confinement the striking feature of low-scale strong interactions
- transition from partons to their bound states, the hadrons
- the Meissner effect in QCD



- linear QCD potential in Quarkonia – like a string



- combine some experimental facts into a naive parameterisation
- in $e^+e^- \rightarrow$ hadrons: exponentially decreasing p_\perp , flat plateau in y for hadrons



- try “smearing”: $\rho(p_\perp^2) \sim \exp(-p_\perp^2/\sigma^2)$

- use parameterisation to “guesstimate” hadronisation effects:

$$E = \int_0^Y dy dp_{\perp}^2 \rho(p_{\perp}^2) p_{\perp} \cosh y = \lambda \sinh Y$$

$$P = \int_0^Y dy dp_{\perp}^2 \rho(p_{\perp}^2) p_{\perp} \sinh y = \lambda (\cosh Y - 1) \approx E - \lambda$$

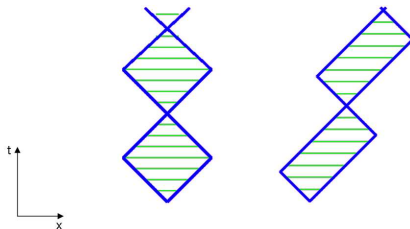
$$\lambda = \int dp_{\perp}^2 \rho(p_{\perp}^2) p_{\perp} = \langle p_{\perp} \rangle.$$

- estimate $\lambda \sim 1/R_{\text{had}} \approx m_{\text{had}}$, with $m_{\text{had}} \sim 0.1\text{-}1 \text{ GeV}$.
- effect: jet acquire non-perturbative mass $\sim 2\lambda E$ ($\mathcal{O}(10\text{GeV})$ for jets with energy $\mathcal{O}(100\text{GeV})$).

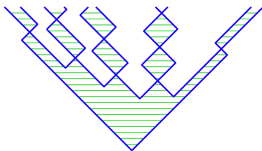
- similar parametrization underlying Feynman-Field model for independent fragmentation
- recursively fragment $q \rightarrow q' + \text{had}$, where
 - transverse momentum from (fitted) Gaussian;
 - longitudinal momentum arbitrary (hence from measurements);
 - flavour from symmetry arguments + measurements.
- problems: frame dependent, “last quark”, infrared safety, no direct link to perturbation theory,

string model

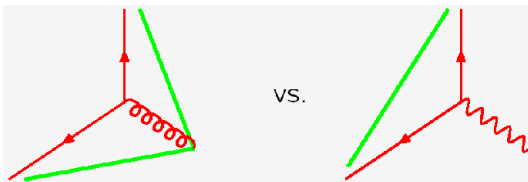
- a simple model of mesons: yoyo strings
 - light quarks ($m_q = 0$) connected by string, form a meson
 - area law: $m_{\text{had}}^2 \propto \text{area of string motion}$
 - $L=0$ mesons only have 'yo-yo' modes:



- turn this into hadronisation model $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ as test case
- ignore gluon radiation: $q\bar{q}$ move away from each other, act as point-like source of string
- intense chromomagnetic field within string:
more $q\bar{q}$ pairs created by tunnelling and string break-up
- analogy with QED (Schwinger mechanism):
 $d\mathcal{P} \sim dxdt \exp(-\pi m_q^2/\kappa)$, $\kappa =$ “string tension”.



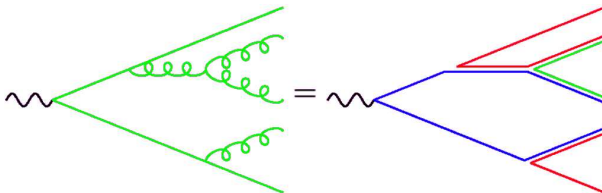
- string model = well motivated model, constraints on fragmentation (Lorentz-invariance, left-right symmetry, ...)
- how to deal with gluons?
- interpret them as kinks on the string \implies the string effect



- infrared-safe, advantage: smooth matching with PS.

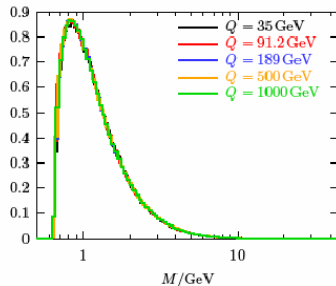
cluster model

- underlying idea: preconfinement/LPHD
 - typically, neighbouring colours will end in same hadron
 - hadron flows follow parton flows → don't produce any hadrons at places where you don't have partons
 - works well in large- N_c limit with planar graphs
- follow evolution of colour in parton showers



- paradigm of cluster model: clusters as continuum of hadron resonances
- trace colour through shower in $N_c \rightarrow \infty$ limit
- force decay of gluons into $q\bar{q}$ or $\bar{d}d$ pairs, form colour singlets from neighbouring colours, usually close in phase space
- mass of singlets: peaked at low scales $\approx Q_0^2$
- decay heavy clusters into lighter ones or into hadrons (here, many improvements to ensure leading hadron spectrum hard enough, overall effect: cluster model becomes more string-like)
- if light enough, clusters will decay into hadrons
- naively: spin information washed out, decay determined through phase space only \rightarrow heavy hadrons suppressed (baryon/strangeness suppression)

- self-similarity of parton shower will end with roughly the same **local** distribution of partons, with roughly the same invariant mass for colour singlets
- adjacent pairs colour connected, form colourless (white) clusters.
- clusters (“ \approx excited hadrons”) decay into hadrons



practicalities

- practicalities of hadronisation models: parameters
 - kinematics of string or cluster decay: 2-5 parameters
 - must “pop” quark or diquark flavours in string or cluster decay — cannot be completely democratic or driven by masses alone
 - suppression factors for strangeness, diquarks 2-10 parameters
 - transition to hadrons, cannot be democratic over multiplets
 - adjustment factors for vectors/tensors etc. 2-6 parameters
- tuned to LEP data, overall agreement satisfying
- validity for hadron data not quite clear

(beam remnant fragmentation not in LEP.)
- there are some issues with inclusive strangeness/baryon production

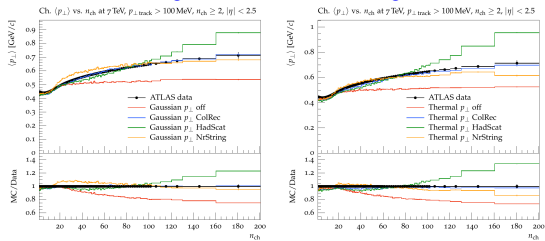
colour reconnections and friends

(Fischer, Sjostrand, 1610:09818)

Collective flow observed in pp at LHC. Partly unexpected.
New mechanisms required; could also (partly) replace CR.

Active field, e.g. N. Fischer & TS, arXiv:1610:09818 [hep-ph]:

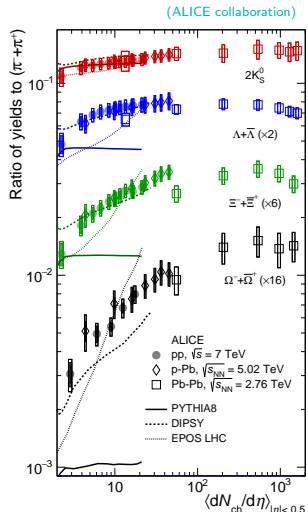
- Thermal $\exp(-p_{\perp}/T) \rightarrow \exp(-m_{\perp}/T)$ hadronic spectrum.
- Close-packed strings \Rightarrow increased string κ or T .
- Dense hadronic gas \Rightarrow hadronic rescattering.



(slide stolen from Torbjorn Sjostrand)

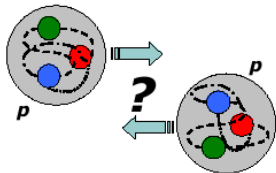
strange strangeness

- universality of hadronisation assumed
- parameters tuned to LEP data in particular: strangeness suppression
- for strangeness: flat ratios but data do not reproduce this
- looks like $SU(3)$ restoration not observed for protons
- needs to be investigated



multiple parton scattering

- hadrons = extended objects!
- no guarantee for one scattering only.
- running of α_S
 \implies preference for soft scattering.

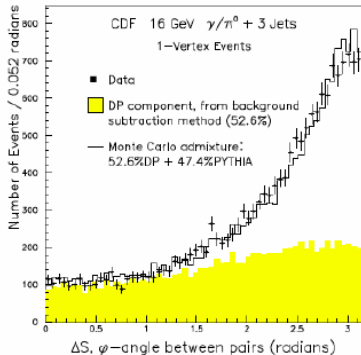


- first experimental evidence for double-parton scattering: events with $\gamma + 3$ jets:
 - cone jets, $R = 0.7$, $E_T > 5$ GeV; $|\eta_j| < 1.3$;
 - “clean sample”: two softest jets with $E_T < 7$ GeV;

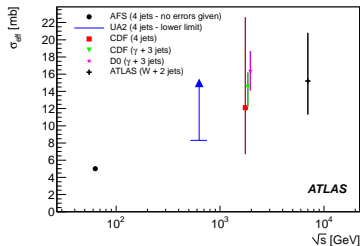
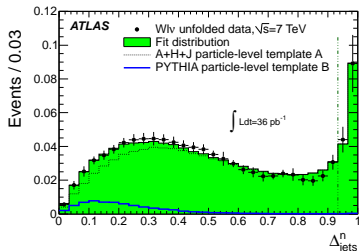
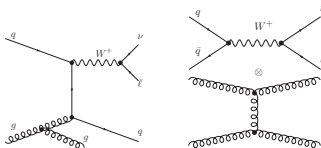
- cross section for DPS

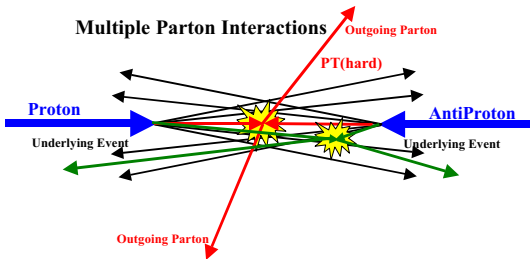
$$\sigma_{\text{DPS}} = \frac{\sigma_{\gamma j} \sigma_{jj}}{\sigma_{\text{eff}}}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{eff}} \approx 14 \pm 4 \text{ mb.}$$



- more measurements, also at LHC
- ATLAS results from $W + 2$ jets





but: how to define the underlying event?

- 1 everything apart from the hard interaction, but including IS showers, FS showers, remnant hadronisation.
- 2 remnant-remnant interactions, soft and/or hard.
- 3 lesson: **hard to define**

- origin of MPS: parton–parton scattering cross section exceeds hadron–hadron total cross section

$$\sigma_{\text{hard}}(p_{\perp,\text{min}}) = \int_{p_{\perp,\text{min}}^2}^{s/4} dp_{\perp}^2 \frac{d\sigma(p_{\perp}^2)}{dp_{\perp}^2} > \sigma_{pp,\text{total}}$$

for low $p_{\perp,\text{min}}$

- remember

$$\frac{d\sigma(p_{\perp}^2)}{dp_{\perp}^2} = \int_0^1 dx_1 dx_2 f(x_1, q^2) f(x_2, q^2) \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{2 \rightarrow 2}}{dp_{\perp}^2}$$

- $\langle \sigma_{\text{hard}}(p_{\perp,\text{min}}) / \sigma_{pp,\text{total}} \rangle \geq 1$
- depends strongly on cut-off $p_{\perp,\text{min}}$ (energy-dependent)!

modelling the underlying event

- take the old PYTHIA model as example:
 - start with hard interaction, at scale Q_{hard}^2 .
 - select a new scale p_{\perp}^2 from

$$\exp \left[-\frac{1}{\sigma_{\text{norm}}} \int_{p_{\perp}^2}^{Q_{\text{hard}}^2} dp_{\perp}{}^{\prime 2} \frac{d\sigma(p_{\perp}^{\prime 2})}{dp_{\perp}^{\prime 2}} \right]$$

with constraint $p_{\perp}^2 > p_{\perp,\text{min}}^2$

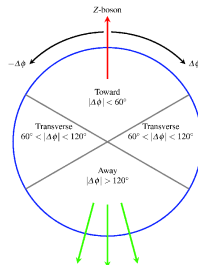
- rescale proton momentum (“proton-parton = proton with reduced energy”).
- repeat until no more allowed $2 \rightarrow 2$ scatter

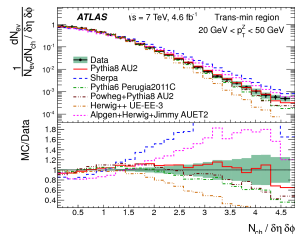
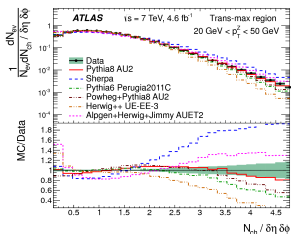
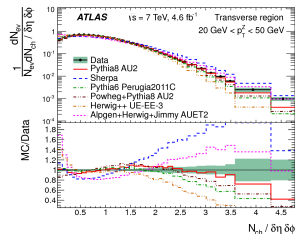
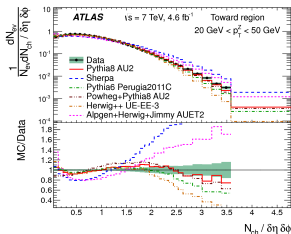
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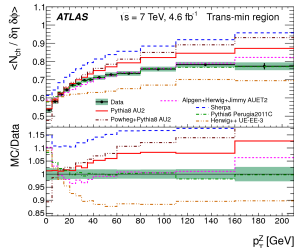
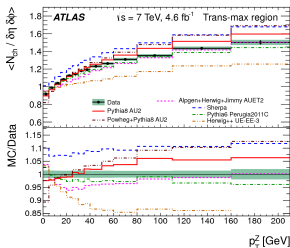
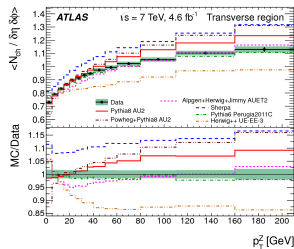
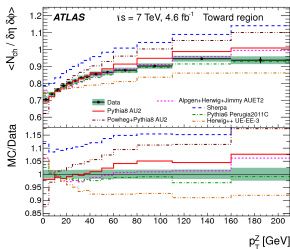
- possible refinements:
 - may add impact-parameter dependence \rightarrow more fluctuations
 - add parton showers to UE
 - “regularisation” to dampen sharp dependence on $p_{\perp,\min}$: replace $1/\hat{t}$ in MEs by $1/(t + t_0)$, also in α_s .
 - treat intrinsic k_{\perp} of partons (\rightarrow parameter)
 - model proton remnants (\rightarrow parameter)

some results for MPS in Z production

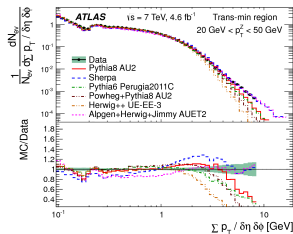
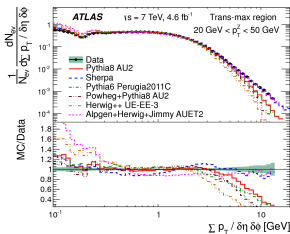
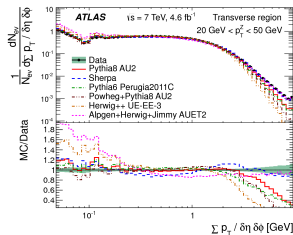
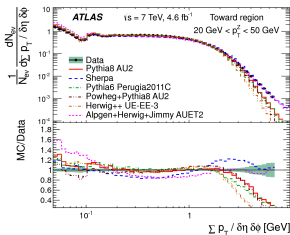
- observables sensitive to MPS
- classical analysis: transverse regions in QCD/jet events
- idea: find the hardest system, orient event into regions:
 - toward region along system
 - away region back-to-back
 - transverse regions
- typically each in 120°



Some results in Z production

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- see some data comparison in Minimum Bias
- practicalities of underlying event models: parameters
 - profile in impact parameter space 2-3 parameters
 - IR cut-off at reference energy, its energy evolution, dampening parameter and normalisation cross section 4 parameters
 - treating colour connections to rest of event 2-5 parameters
- tuned to LHC data, overall agreement satisfying
- energy extrapolation not exactly perfect, plus other process categories such as diffraction etc..

SUMMARY

Summary of fixed order

- NLO (QCD) “revolution” consolidated:
 - lots of routinely used tools for large FS multis (4 and more)
 - incorporation in MC tools done, need comparisons, critical appraisals and a learning curve in their phenomenological use
 - to improve: description of loop-induced processes
- amazing success in NNLO (QCD) calculations:
 - emergence of first round of $2 \rightarrow 2$ calculations
 - next revolution imminent (with question marks)
 - first MC tools for simple processes ($gg \rightarrow H, DY$), more to be learnt by comparison etc. (see above)
- first N^3LO calculation in $gg \rightarrow H$, more to come (?)
- attention turning to NLO (EW)
 - first benchmarks with new methods ($V+3j$)
 - calculational setup tricky
 - need maybe faster approximation for high-scales (EW Sudakovs)

Limitations of fixed order

- practical limitations/questions to be overcome:
 - dealing with IR divergences at NNLO: slicing vs. subtracting
(I'm not sure we have THE solution yet)
 - how far can we push NNLO? are NLO automated results stable enough for NNLO at higher multiplicity?
 - users of codes: higher orders tricky → training needed
(MC = black box attitude problematic - a new brand of pheno/experimenters needed?)
- limitations of perturbative expansion:
 - breakdown of factorisation at HO (Seymour et al.)
 - higher-twist: compare $(\alpha_s/\pi)^n$ with Λ_{QCD}/M_Z
- limitations in analytic resummation: process- and observable-dependent
 - first attempts at automation (CAESAR and some others) – checks/cross-comparison necessary
- showering needs to be improved
(for NNLO the “natural” accuracy is NNLL)

Summary for event generation

- Systematic improvement of event generators by including higher orders has been at the core of QCD theory and developments in the past decade:
 - **multijet merging** (“CKKW”, “MLM”)
 - **NLO matching** (“MC@NLO”, “POWHEG”)
 - **MENLOPs** NLO matching & merging
 - **MEPs@NLO** (“SHERPA”, “UNLOPs”, “MINLO”, “FxFx”)
- multijet merging an important tool for many relevant signals and backgrounds - pioneering phase at LO & NLO over
- complete automation of NLO calculations done
→ **must benefit from it!**



(it's the precision and trustworthy & systematic uncertainty estimates!)

Vision

- we have constructed lots of tools for precision physics at LHC
 - but** we did not cross-validate them careful enough (yet)
 - but** we did not compare their theoretical foundations (yet)
- we also need unglamorous improvements:
 - systematically check advanced scale-setting schemes (MINLO)
 - automatic (re-)weighting for PDFs & scales (ME: ✓, PS: -)
 - scale compensation in PS is simple (implement and check)
 - PDFs: to date based on FO vs. data — will we have to move to resummed/parton showered?

(reminder: LO* was not a big hit, though)

- ... and maybe we will have to go to the “dirty” corners:
 higher-twist, underlying event, hadronization, ...

(many of those driven by experiment)

