Sherpa vs *pp* Data at the LHC

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Introduction

Main focus is on hard interactions: Self-consistent ME + PS merging (CKKW).

Sherpa 1.2.3 is the current stable version. Mainly a bugfix release, available since December.

We have tuned Sherpa 1.2.3 to hadron data from Tevatron and LHC, using Rivet and Professor.

Tuning results using CTEQ66 (default) and CTEQ6L1 have been published together with the release.

Minimum Bias at 7 TeV



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arXiv:1012.0791



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Inclusive Jet Cross-Section at 7 TeV

arXiv:1009.5908



Dijet Mass at 7 TeV

arXiv:1009.5908



Dijet Azimuthal Decorr. & *z* **in Jets at 7 TeV**

ATLAS-CONF-2010-083 and ATLAS-CONF-2010-049, data read off the plots







arXiv:1102.0068, data read off the plots



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Summary

- Historically Sherpa's emphasis is not on minbias. Nevertheless, it does a reasonable job for the underlying event at LHC.
- Good performance for hard processes.
- We will release a new model for soft physics in Sherpa this year, which will be used for minimum bias and the underlying event.