

# Introduction to Event Generators

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## Topics of the lectures

- 1 Lecture 1: *The Monte Carlo Principle*
- 2 Lecture 2: *Parton level event generation*
- 3 Lecture 3: *Dressing the Partons*
- 4 Lecture 4: *Modelling beyond Perturbation Theory & Improving the showers*

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## Menu of lecture 4

- Hadronisation models
- Beyond factorisation: Underlying event
- Improving parton showers with exact matrix elements

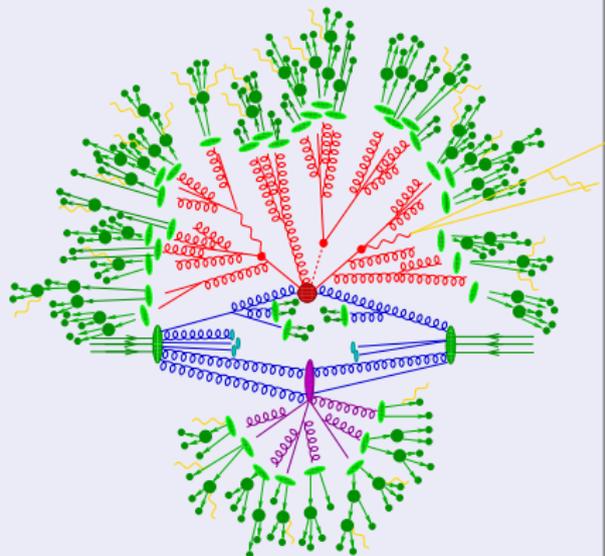
# Prelude: Orientation

## Event generator paradigm

Divide event into stages, separated by different scales.

- **Signal/background:**  
Exact matrix elements.
- **QCD-Bremsstrahlung:**  
Parton showers (also in *initial state*).
- **Multiple interactions:**  
Beyond factorisation: Modelling.
- **Hadronisation:**  
Non-perturbative QCD: Modelling.

## Sketch of an event

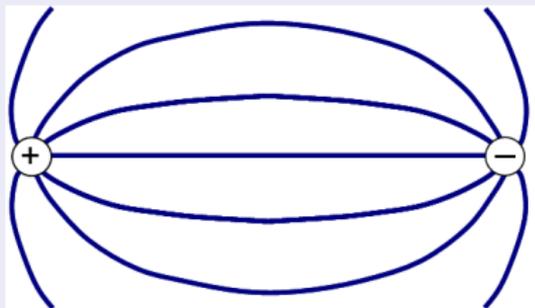


# Hadronisation

## Confinement

- Consider dipoles in QED and QCD

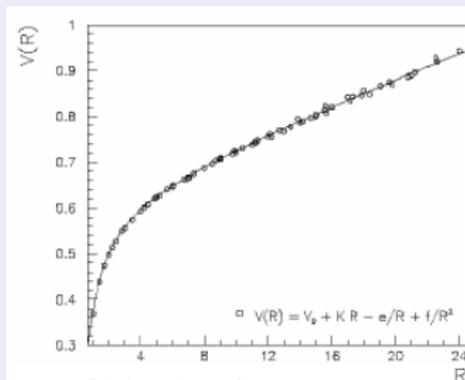
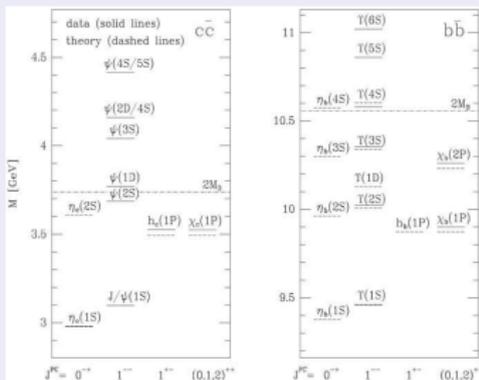
QED:



QCD:

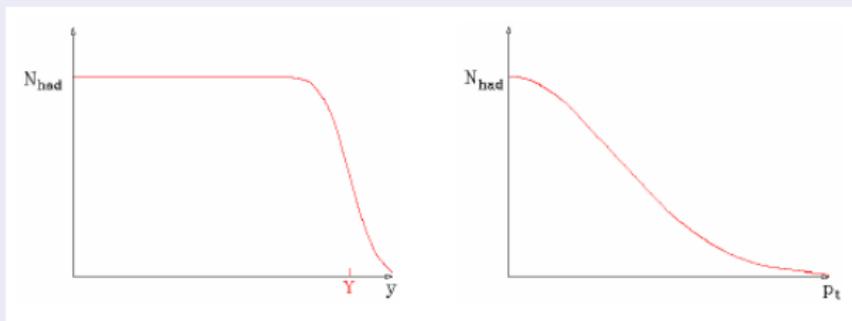


## Linear QCD potential in Quarkonia



## Some experimental facts $\rightarrow$ naive parameterisations

- In  $e^+e^- \rightarrow$  hadrons: Limits  $p_\perp$ , flat plateau in  $y$ .



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

## Effect of naive parameterisations

- Use parameterisation to “guesstimate” hadronisation effects:

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

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

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

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

## Implementation of naive parameterisations

- Feynman-Field independent fragmentation.

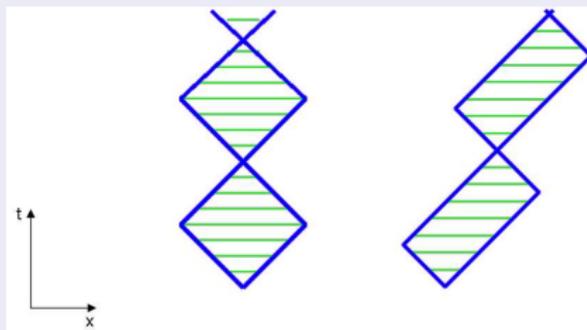
R.D.Field and R.P.Feynman, Nucl. Phys. B **136** (1978) 1

- 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, . . . .

## Yoyo-strings as model of mesons

B.Andersson, G.Gustafson, G.Ingelman and T.Sjostrand, Phys. Rept. 97 (1983) 31.

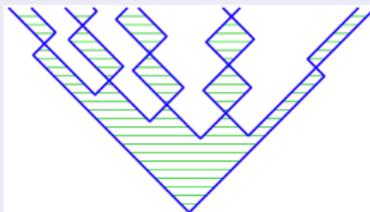
- Light quarks connected by string: area law  $m^2 \propto \text{area}$ .
- $L=0$  mesons only have 'yo-yo' modes:



## Dynamical strings in $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}$

B.Andersson, G.Gustafson, G.Ingelman and T.Sjostrand, Phys. Rept. 97 (1983) 31.

- Ignoring gluon radiation: Point-like source of string.
- Intense chromomagnetic field within string:  
More  $q\bar{q}$  pairs created by tunnelling.
- Analogy with QED (Schwinger mechanism):  
 $d\mathcal{P} \sim dxdt \exp(-\pi m_q^2/\kappa)$ ,  $\kappa =$  “string tension”.



## Gluons in strings = kinks

B.Andersson, G.Gustafson, G.Ingelman and T.Sjostrand, Phys. Rept. 97 (1983) 31.

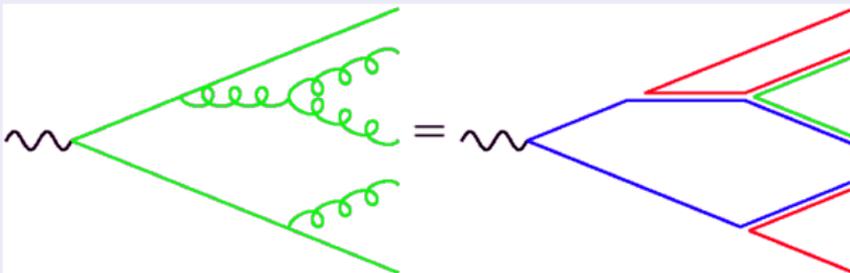
- String model = well motivated model, constraints on fragmentation (Lorentz-invariance, left-right symmetry, ...)
- Gluon = kinks on string? Check by “string-effect”



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

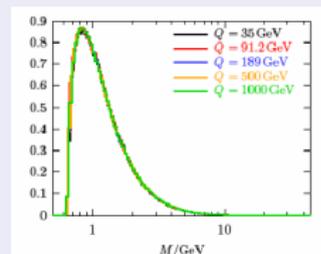
## Preconfinement

- Underlying: Large  $N_c$ -limit (planar graphs).
- Follows evolution of colour in parton showers:  
at the end of shower colour singlets close in phase space.
- Mass of singlets: peaked at low scales  $\approx Q_0^2$ .



## Primordial cluster mass distribution

- Starting point: Preconfinement;
- split gluons into  $q\bar{q}$ -pairs;
- adjacent pairs colour connected, form colourless (white) clusters.
- Clusters ( $\approx$  excited hadrons) decay into hadrons



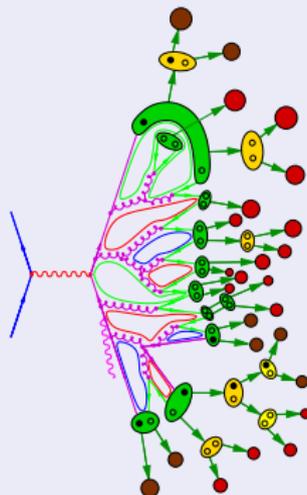
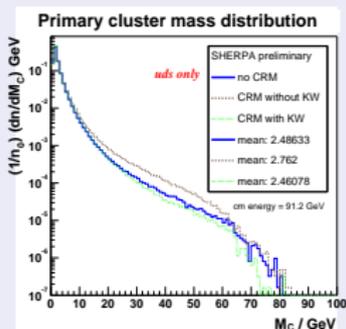
## Cluster model

B.R.Webber, Nucl. Phys. B 238 (1984) 492.

- Split gluons into  $q\bar{q}$  pairs, form singlet clusters:  
 $\implies$  continuum of meson resonances.
- Decay heavy clusters into lighter ones;  
(here, many improvements to ensure leading hadron spectrum hard enough, overall effect: cluster model becomes more string-like);
- if light enough, clusters  $\rightarrow$  hadrons.
- Naively: spin information washed out, decay determined through phase space only  $\rightarrow$  heavy hadrons suppressed (baryon/strangeness suppression).

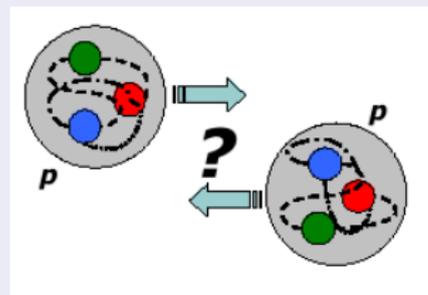
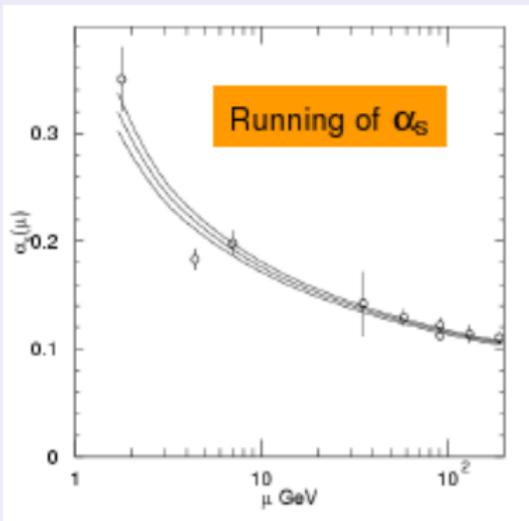
## Colour reconnections in the cluster model

- Maybe toy with phenomenological models of non-perturbative colour reconnection?



# Underlying Event

## Multiple parton scattering?

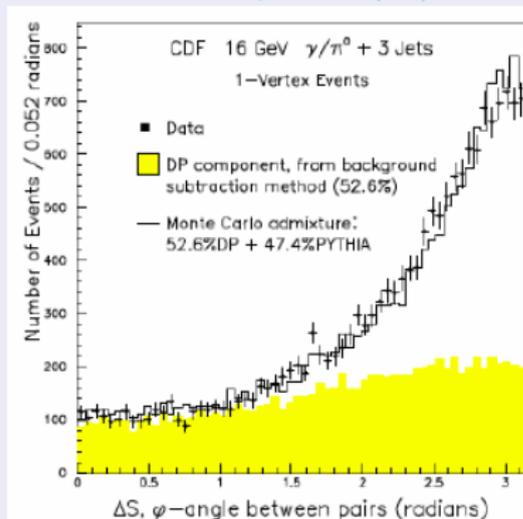


- Hadrons = extended objects!
- No guarantee for one scattering only.
- Running of  $\alpha_s$   
 $\Rightarrow$  preference for soft scattering.

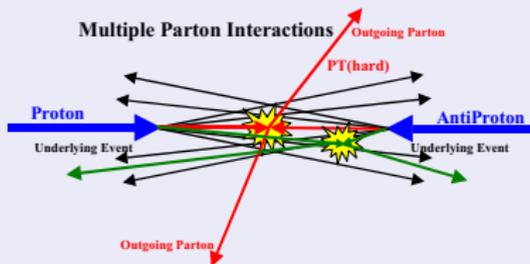
## Evidence for multiple parton scattering

- 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;
- $\sigma_{\text{DPS}} = \frac{\sigma_{\gamma j} \sigma_{jj}}{\sigma_{\text{eff}}}$ ,  $\sigma_{\text{eff}} \approx 14 \pm 4$  mb.

CDF collaboration, Phys. Rev. D56 (1997) 3811.



## Definition(s)



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

## Model: Multiple parton interactions

- To understand the origin of MPS, realism that

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

for low  $p_{\perp,\text{min}}$ . Here:  $\frac{d\sigma(p_{\perp}^2)}{dp_{\perp}^2} = \int_0^1 dx_1 dx_2 df(x_1, q^2) f(x_2, q^2) \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{2\rightarrow 2}}{dp_{\perp}^2} \delta(1 - \frac{\hat{u}}{\hat{s}})$   
( $f(x, q^2)$  =PDF,  $\hat{\sigma}_{2\rightarrow 2}$  =parton-parton x-sec)

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

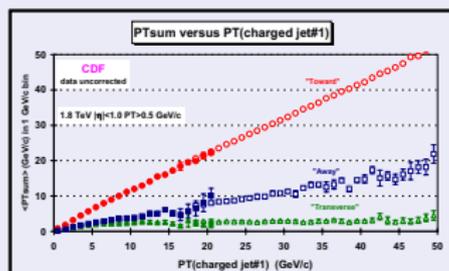
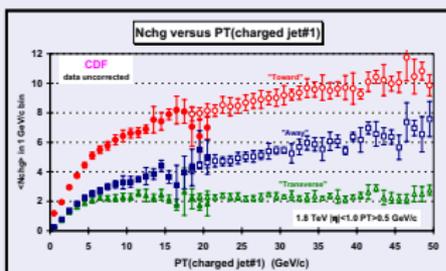
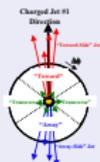
## Old Pythia model: Algorithm, simplified

T.Sjostrand and M.van Zijl, Phys. Rev. D 36 (1987) 2019.

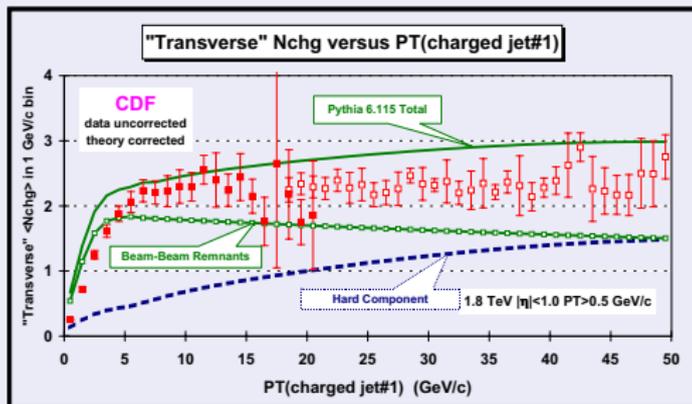
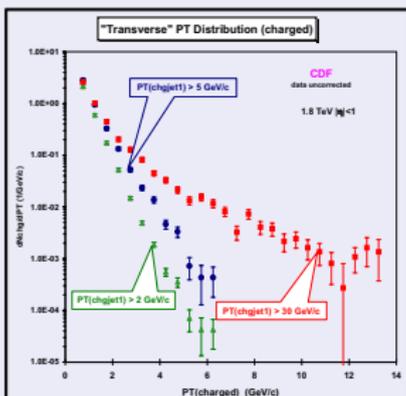
- Start with hard interaction, at scale  $Q_{\text{hard}}^2$ .
- Select a new scale  $p_{\perp}^2$   
 (according to  $f = \frac{d\sigma_{2\rightarrow 2}(p_{\perp}^2)}{dp_{\perp}^2}$  with  $p_{\perp}^2 \in [p_{\perp,\text{min}}^2, Q^2]$ )
- Rescale proton momentum (“proton-parton = proton with reduced energy”).
- Repeat until below  $p_{\perp,\text{min}}^2$ .
- May add impact-parameter dependence, showers, etc..
- Treat intrinsic  $k_{\perp}$  of partons ( $\rightarrow$  parameter)
- Model proton remnants ( $\rightarrow$  parameter)

# Observables

In the following: Data from CDF, PRD 65 (2002) 092002, plots partially from C. Buttar



## Hard component in transverse region



## General facts on current models

- No first-principles approach for underlying event:

Multiple-parton interactions: beyond factorisation

Factorisation (simplified) = no process-dependence in use of PDFs.

- Models usually based on xsecs in collinear factorisation:

$$d\sigma/dp_{\perp} \propto p_{\perp}^{4-8} \implies \text{strong dependence on cut-off } p_{\perp}^{\min}.$$

- “Regularisation”:  $d\sigma/dp_{\perp} \propto (p_{\perp}^2 + p_0^2)^{2-4}$ , also in  $\alpha_S$ .

- Model for scaling behaviour of  $p_{\perp}^{\min}(s) \propto p_{\perp}^{\min}(s_0)(s/s_0)^{\lambda}$ ,  $\lambda = ?$

Pythia tunes:  $\lambda \in [0.160.25]$ .

- Herwig model similar to old Pythia and SHERPA

- New Pythia model: Correlate parton interactions with showers, more parameters.

# Multijet merging

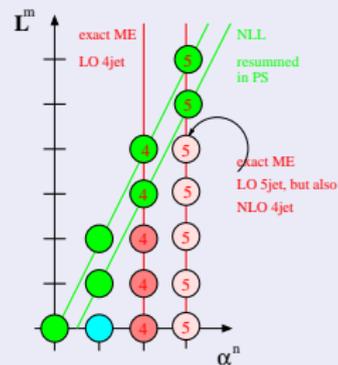
## Why multijet merging?

- Parton shower yields approximation to ME
- But: lack of phase space in hadronic collisions typically results in too little QCD activity.

## ME vs. PS

- MEs: hard, large-angle emissions; interferences.
- PS: soft, collinear emissions; resummation of large logarithms.
- **Combine both, avoid double-counting.**
- Right panel: logs in  $ee \rightarrow$  jets.

## $\alpha_s$ vs. Log



## Constructing the algorithm

- Want the best of both - what else?
  - Proper description of soft/collinear and hard emissions
  - Combine QCD matrix elements of different parton multiplicity with showers
- General outline of algorithm:
  - Use LO (tree-level) matrix elements for jet production
    - Could use parton shower kernel  $K_{ba}^{ME} \propto |\mathcal{M}_{n+1}|^2 / |\mathcal{M}_n|^2$  hampered by low efficiency for  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .
    - Idea effectively used in traditional reweighting for small  $n$ .
    - Also in generation of hardest emission in POWHEG./
  - Preserve original parton shower evolution equation
 

(N.B.: this guarantees preservation of log accuracy provided by shower)
  - Avoid double-counting (positive or negative)
 

Must slice the phase space: Jet production vs. jet evolution

$\Rightarrow$  adds a parameter - the jet resolution criterion  $Q_{\text{cut}}$

(but inclusive results should better not depend too strongly on this parameter)

## Slicing the phase space

- Decompose splitting kernels of parton showers as  $K_{ba}(z, t) = K_{ba}(z, t)\Theta[Q_{\text{cut}} - Q_{ba}(z, t)] + K_{ba}(z, t)\Theta[Q_{ba}(z, t) - Q_{\text{cut}}]$ .
- In **hard region**, call  $K_{ba}\Theta[Q_{ba}(z, t) - Q_{\text{cut}}] \rightarrow K_{ba}^{ME}$ ,
- Call  $K_{ba}\Theta[Q_{\text{cut}} - Q_{ba}(z, t)] \rightarrow K_{ba}^{PS}$  in **soft region**.
- Sudakov form factor factorises (exponential):

$$\Delta_a(\mu^2, t) = \Delta_a^{PS}(\mu^2, t)\Delta_a^{ME}(\mu^2, t)$$

Also, no emission probability can be rewritten:

$$\mathcal{P}_a^{\text{no}}(z, t, \bar{t}) = \frac{\Delta_a^{PS}(\mu^2, \bar{t})}{\Delta_a^{PS}(\mu^2, t)} \frac{\Delta_a^{ME}(\mu^2, \bar{t})}{\Delta_a^{ME}(\mu^2, t)} \frac{g_a(z, t)}{g_a(z, \bar{t})}$$

- In shower, need to veto emissions with  $Q_{ba} > Q_{\text{cut}}$ .  
But: maybe emissions at  $Q < Q_{\text{cut}}$  but  $t$  larger than those in ME:  
must cure “mismatch” of shower and jet measure

→ **truncated showers**

## Defining PS histories

- Identify most likely splitting acc. to PS branching probability
- Combine partons into mother parton acc. to inverse PS kinematics
- Continue until  $2 \rightarrow 2$  core process

↪ shower specific cluster algorithm

↪ predetermined shower emissions

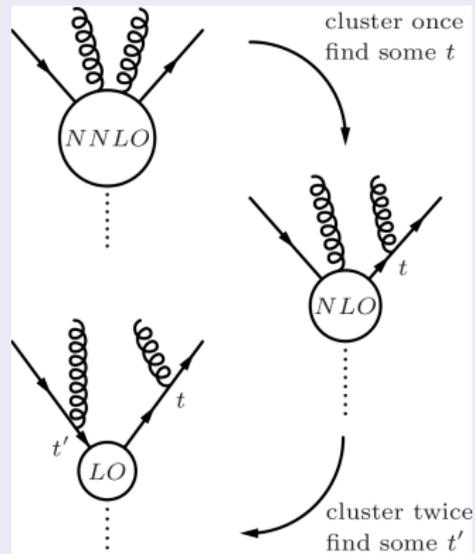
PS starts at core process

can radiate “between” ME emissions

ME branchings must be respected  
evolution-, splitting- & angular variable preserved

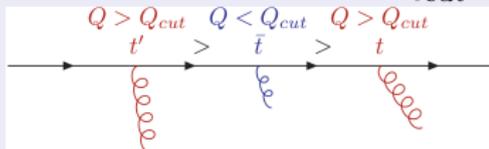
↪ truncated shower

## Example branching history

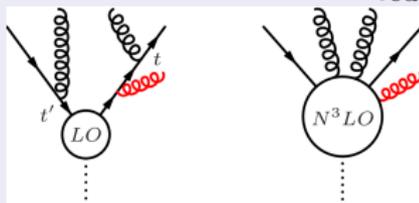


## Truncated shower

Shower emission below  $Q_{\text{cut}}$ :



Shower emission above  $Q_{\text{cut}}$ :



↪ emission accepted

↪ large-angle soft emissions

↪ soft color coherence

↪ approx. in CKKW only

↪ entire event is rejected

↪ Sudakov suppression

$\mathcal{P}_{\text{no}, a}^{\text{ME}}(t, t')$

↪ to be described by ME instead

↪  $\sigma_{\text{tot}}$  preserved at LO

## Implementations

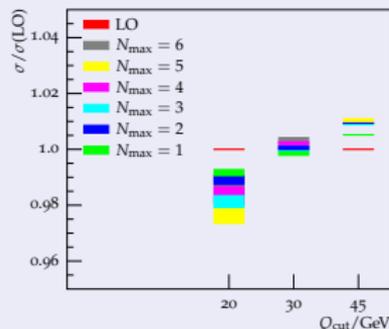
- Available implementations of this method in SHERPA & HERWIG++.
- MLM method for ALPGEN, MADGRAPH etc. (misses some terms)

## $Z^0$ +jets at Tevatron: Total cross sections

$Q_{cut}$  and/or  $N_{max}$  variation should affect  $\sigma_{tot}$  only beyond (N)LL

- Example: DY-pair production  $\sigma_{tot}$  @ Tevatron

		$N_{max}$						
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6
$Q_{cut}$	20 GeV	192.6(1)	191.0(3)	190.5(4)	189.0(5)	189.4(7)	188.2(8)	189.9(10)
	30 GeV	192.6(1)	192.3(2)	192.7(2)	192.6(3)	192.9(3)	192.7(3)	193.2(3)
	45 GeV	192.6(1)	193.6(1)	194.4(1)	194.3(1)	194.4(1)	194.6(2)	194.4(1)



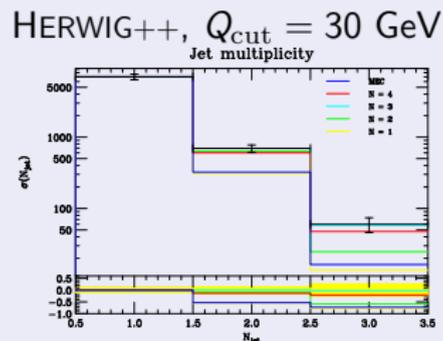
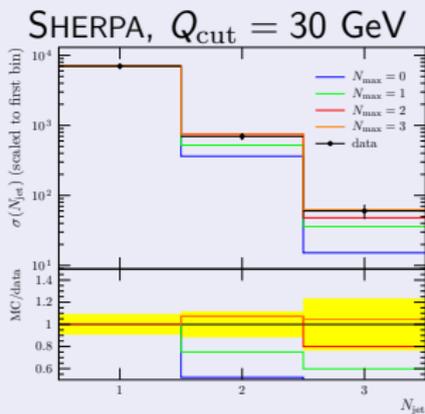
- improved “merging systematics” of  $\sigma_{tot} < \pm 3\%$

## $Z^0$ +jets at Tevatron: jet multiplicities

Jet rates and -spectra improved compared to pure PS simulation

- Example: DY-pair production  $\sigma_{e^+e^-+N_{\text{jet}}}$

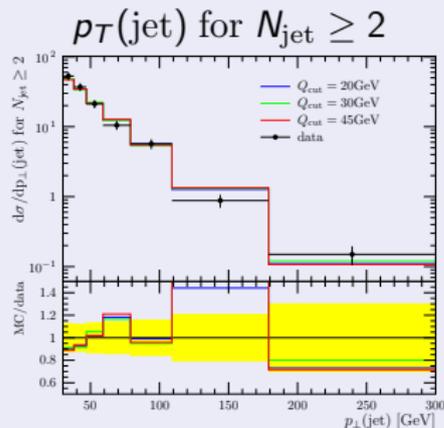
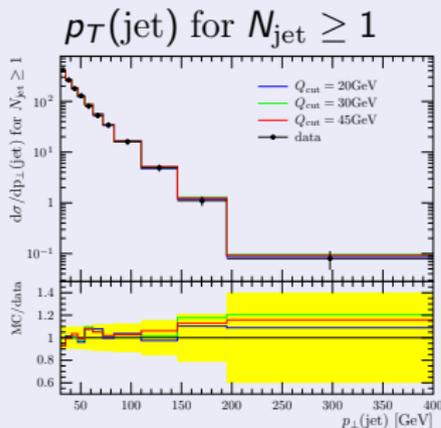
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- Example: All-jets  $p_T$ 's in DY-pair production
- Compare with results from SHERPA

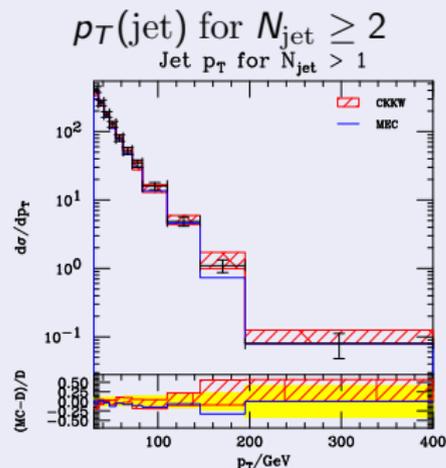
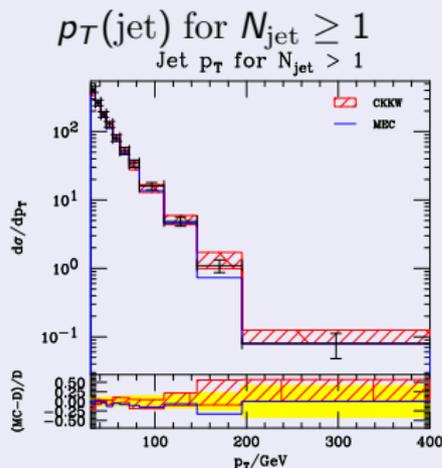
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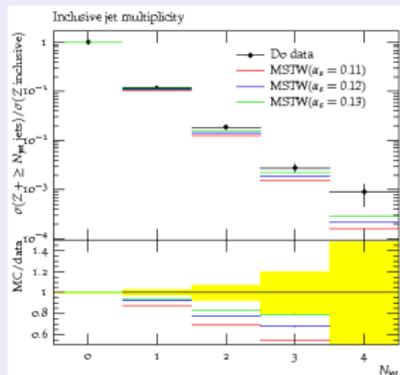
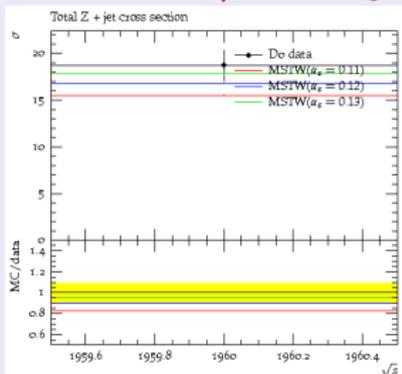
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# $Z^0$ +jets at Tevatron: cross sections

CDF data from PRL 100 (2008) 102001 and D0/, arXiv:0808.1296

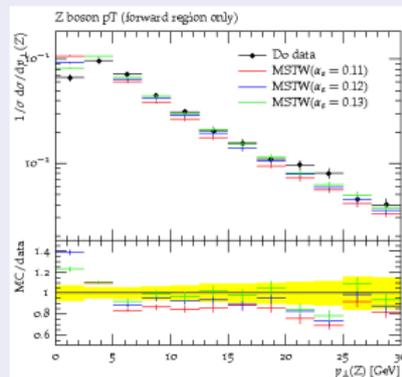
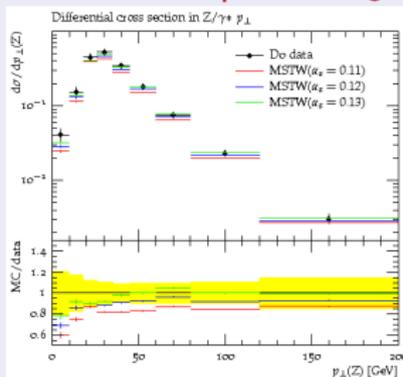
## Impact of $\alpha_S$ - global in SHERPA



# $Z^0$ +jets at Tevatron: $Z/\gamma^*$ transverse momentum

$D\bar{O}$  data: PRL 100 (2008) 102002

## Impact of $\alpha_S$ - global in SHERPA



## A new Monte Carlo approach for Prompt-Photon Production

(S.Höche, S.Schumann, F.Siegert PRD **81** (2010) 034026)

- treat photons and QCD partons fully democratically

(Glover, Morgan Z. Phys. C **62** (1994) 311)

- combine matrix elements of different parton/photon multiplicity with
- QCD $\oplus$ QED evolution and hadronisation  $\rightsquigarrow$  models  $D_{q,g}^\gamma(z, Q^2)$

## Generalised merging formalism

- Emission probabilities factorise trivially as before

$$\Delta_a(Q_0^2, Q^2) = \Delta_a^{(\text{QCD})}(Q_0^2, Q^2) \Delta_a^{(\text{QED})}(Q_0^2, Q^2)$$

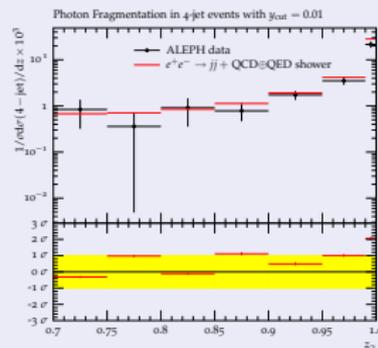
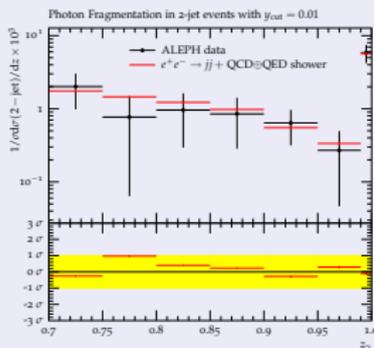
- Implemented by adding splitting functions  $q \rightarrow q\gamma$
- Different then large- $N_C$  QCD: spectators *all* particles with opposite charge
- Neglect (negative) interference with same-sign charges

(S.Dittmaier, Nucl. Phys. B **565** (2000) 69)

## Results: photon fragmentation function in $e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{Hadrons}$

(Alep data from Z. Phys. C **69** (1996) 365)

- Validation of the shower/hadronisation component
- Perform jet finding including final-state photons
- Study photon-energy fraction wrt its containing jet:  $z_\gamma \equiv E_\gamma/E_{\text{jet}}$



# Isolated prompt-photon production at Tevatron

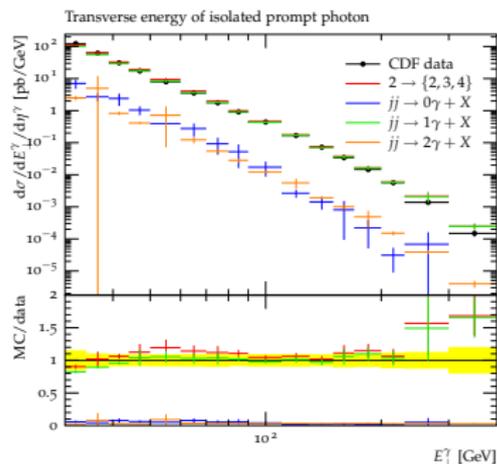
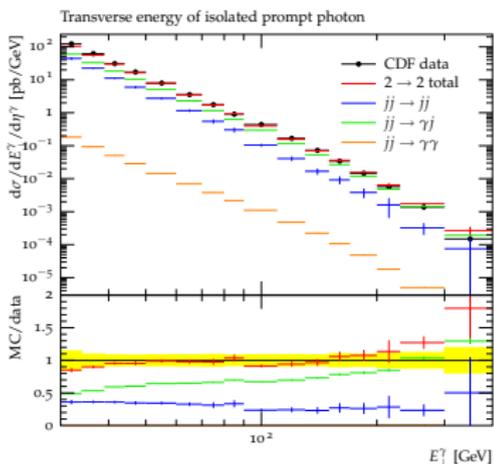
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cuts:  $30 < E_T^\gamma < 400$  GeV,  $|\eta^\gamma| < 1$ , isolation:  $E_T^{R=0.4} - E_T^\gamma < 2$  GeV

- Sherpa: pure shower vs. ME $\oplus$ TS

$E_T^\gamma$  – pure shower

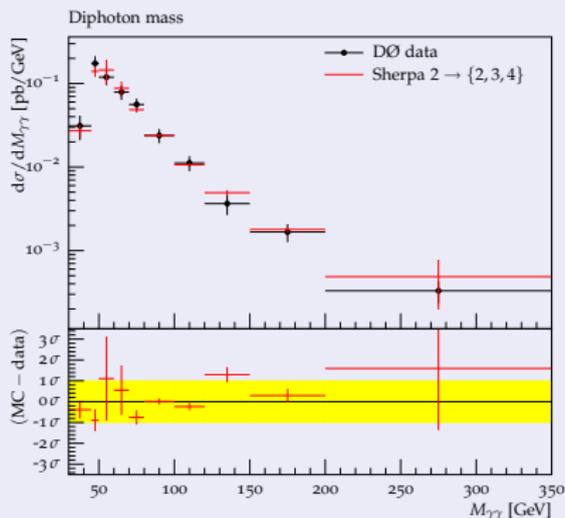
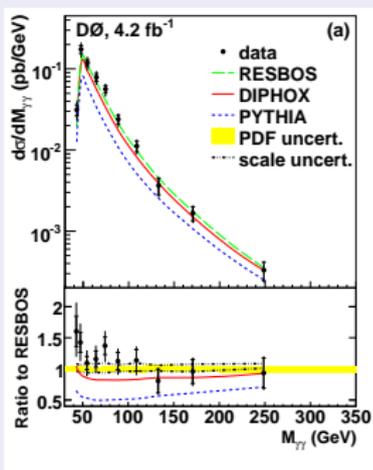
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## $\gamma\gamma$ production at Tevatron: Invariant mass

(D0/ data, arXiv:1002.4917)

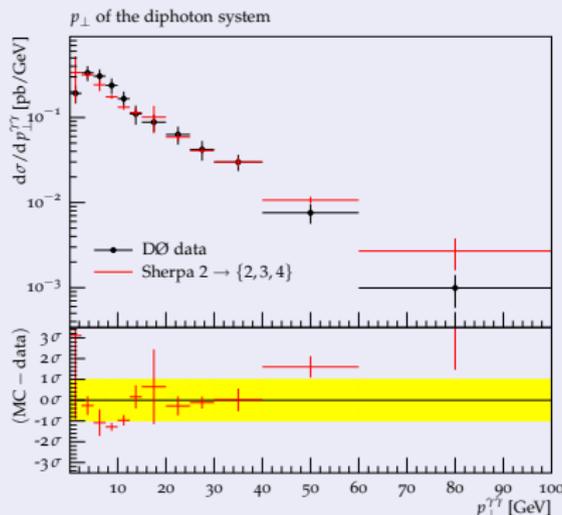
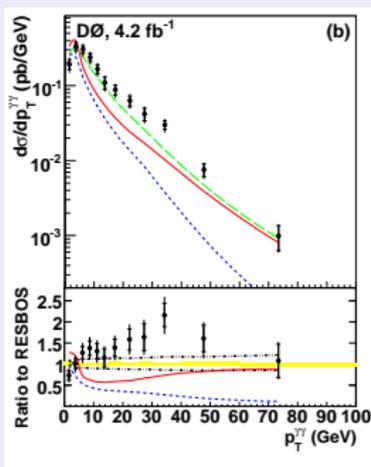
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- Sherpa: merged  $2 \rightarrow \{2, 3, 4\}$  plus  $gg \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  box



# $\gamma\gamma$ production at Tevatron: Transverse momentum of pair

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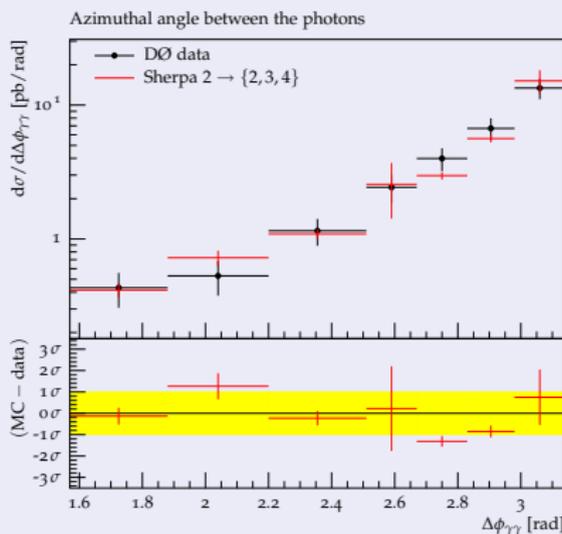
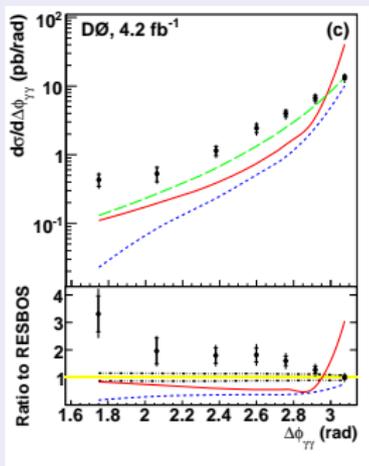
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## $\gamma\gamma$ production at Tevatron: Azimuthal decorrelation

(DØ data, arXiv:1002.4917)

- Compare with other codes: **DiPhox**, **ResBos**, **Pythia**
- Sherpa: merged  $2 \rightarrow \{2, 3, 4\}$  plus  $gg \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  box



# The POWHEG method

## Basic idea

- Want total cross section and first emission correct at  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S)$
- Master formula:

$$d\sigma_{\text{NLO}} = d\Phi_{\mathcal{B}} \bar{\mathcal{B}}(\Phi_{\mathcal{B}}) \left[ \bar{\Delta}(p_{\perp, \min}) + \int_{p_{\perp, \min}} d\Phi_{\mathcal{R}|\mathcal{B}} \frac{\mathcal{R}(\Phi_{\mathcal{R}})}{\mathcal{B}(\Phi_{\mathcal{R}})} \bar{\Delta}(p_{\perp}) \right].$$

- $\mathcal{B}$ ,  $\mathcal{R}$  denote Born and real emission ME, with phase space  $\Phi_{\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{R}}$ .
- $\Phi_{\mathcal{R}|\mathcal{B}}$  is the phase space for one particle splitting connecting both.
- Since Sudakov form factor  $\bar{\Delta}$  reads:

$$\bar{\Delta}(p_{\perp}) = \exp \left[ - \int d\Phi_{\mathcal{R}|\mathcal{B}} \Theta[k_{\perp}(\Phi_{\mathcal{R}}) - p_{\perp}] \frac{\mathcal{R}(\Phi_{\mathcal{R}})}{\mathcal{B}(\Phi_{\mathcal{R}})} \right],$$

the expression in square bracket above = 1 (unitarity).

- $\bar{\mathcal{B}}(\Phi_{\mathcal{B}})$  denotes the NLO-weighted differential xsec for Born config..

## Algorithm

- Generate a starting Born-type parton configuration distributed according to

$$d\Phi_B \bar{\mathcal{B}}(\Phi_B) = d\Phi_B [\mathcal{B}(\Phi_B) + \mathcal{V}(\Phi_B) + \int d\Phi_{\mathcal{R}|\mathcal{B}} \mathcal{R}(\Phi_{\mathcal{R}})]$$

with  $\mathcal{B}$  the **Born**,  $\mathcal{V}$  the **virtual**, and  $\mathcal{R}$  the **real emission** contribution.

- Generate the hardest emission according to  $\bar{\Delta}$ , where the usual splitting kernel  $\mathcal{K}(t, z)$  is replaced by the ratio  $\mathcal{R}(\Phi_{\mathcal{R}})/\mathcal{B}(\Phi_B)$ :

$$\frac{dt}{t} dz \mathcal{K}(t, z) \rightarrow d\Phi_{\mathcal{R}|\mathcal{B}}(t, z) \frac{\mathcal{R}(\Phi_{\mathcal{R}})}{\mathcal{B}(\Phi_B)}$$

- Perform **truncated shower** on resulting parton configuration.
- Three publicly available implementations: HERWIG++, POWHEGBOX, and SHERPA
- The POWHEGBOX implementation “sits” on top of arbitrary parton shower through LHE-Interface, harms truncating the shower.

## Available processes/implementations in SM

Process	POWHEGBoX	HERWIG++	SHERPA
$e^+e^- \rightarrow jj$	✗	✓	✓
DIS	✗	in prep.	✓
$pp \rightarrow W/Z$	✓	✓	✓
$pp \rightarrow H$ (gluon fusion)	✓	✓	✓
$pp \rightarrow V + H$	✗	✓	✓
$pp \rightarrow VV$	✗	✓	✓
VBF	✓	in prep.	in prep.
$pp \rightarrow Q\bar{Q}$	✓	✗	✗
$pp \rightarrow Q\bar{Q} + j$	in prep.	✗	✗
single-top	✓	✗	✗
$pp \rightarrow V + j$	✓	✗	in prep.
$pp \rightarrow V + jj$	in prep.	✗	in prep.
$pp \rightarrow H + j$ (gluon fusion)	✗	✗	in prep.
$pp \rightarrow H + jj$ (gluon fusion)	✗	✗	in prep.
$pp \rightarrow V + b\bar{b}$	in prep.	✗	in prep.
dijets	✓	✗	in prep.
$pp \rightarrow W^+W^+jj$	✓	✗	✗

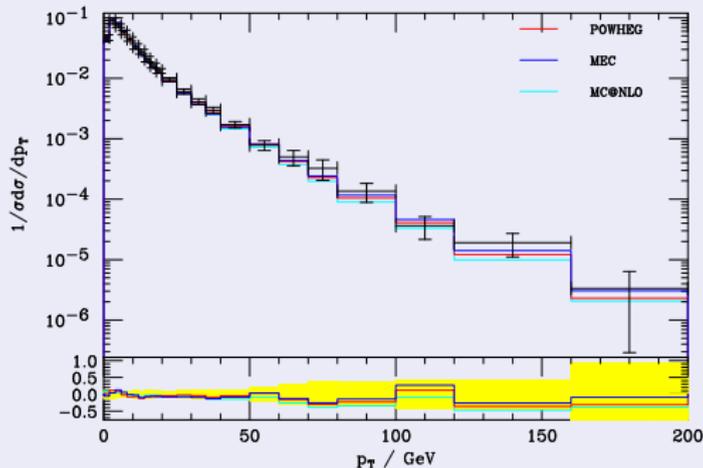
(SHERPA benefits from ME-generator plus subtraction terms - makes implementations fairly automatic . . .)

## $W$ +jets at Tevatron: $p_{\perp}^W$ -spectra

- POWHEG method as implemented in HERWIG++ vs. MC@NLO and HERWIG++.

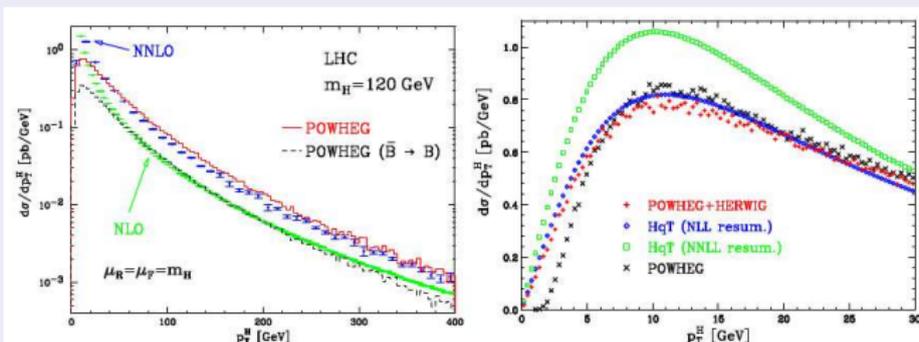
(Note: when only shape considered, do not expect difference to native HERWIG++ with ME corrections included

⇒ simple check of implementation.)



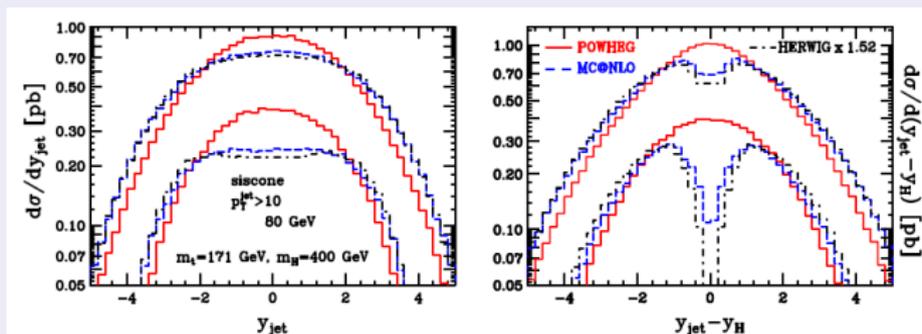
## $H$ +jets at LHC: Implicit higher orders in POWHEG

- Can replace  $\bar{B} \rightarrow B$  in  $d\sigma$  to check if huge  $K$ -factor of  $\mathcal{O}(2)$  is just due to proper NLO correction (left panel): expect only a vertical shift.
- Can also check for shape w.r.t. higher-order code and switch on/off shower & hadronisation effects (right panel)



## $H$ +jets at LHC: Implicit higher orders in POWHEG

- Cross check with MC@NLO (similar goal, different algorithm).
- Problem in MC@NLO becomes apparent: resides on HERWIG-shower, which does not have full phase space coverage - interplay of positive and negative weights with this partial phase space filling produces dips.
- That's why I like POWHEG better - and it's easier to implement.



# The MENLOPS method

## Basic idea

- At present:
  - can merge “arbitrary” tree-level MEs with PS
  - Several automated codes on the market
  - Automation of 1-loop QCD corrections seems feasible (automated codes now emerging)
- We should make use of both and automate  $ME \otimes PS$  at 1-loop
- Strategy: Use whatever is available
  - Process NLO parton-level events with PS at low multiplicities (through MC@NLO or, preferably, POWHEG method)
  - Combine NLO simulation with higher-order tree-level using standard  $ME \otimes PS$  technique for high multiplicities
- First step: POWHEG for lowest multiplicity only.

## Some theoretical considerations

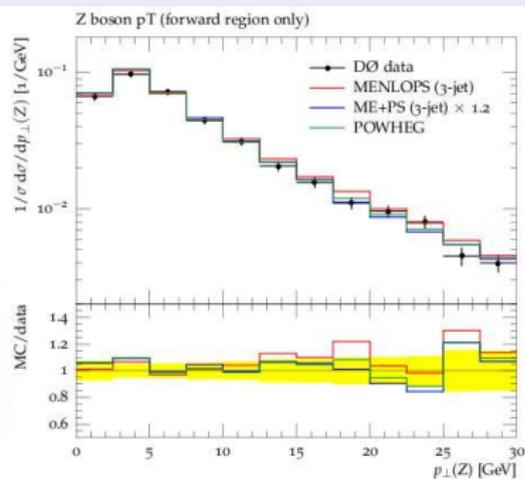
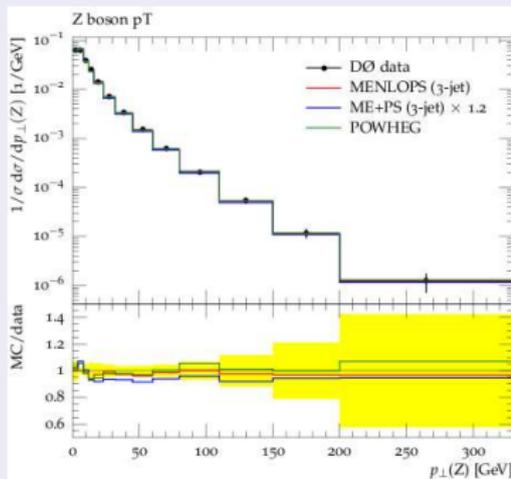
- Compare  $\sigma_{(\text{NLO})}$  for POWHEG and  $\text{ME} \otimes \text{PS}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 d\sigma_{\text{NLO}}^{(\text{POW})} &= \\
 d\Phi_{\mathcal{B}} \bar{\mathcal{B}}(\Phi_{\mathcal{B}}) &\left[ \bar{\Delta}(p_{\perp, \min}) + \int_{p_{\perp, \min}} d\Phi_{\mathcal{R}|\mathcal{B}} \frac{\mathcal{R}(\Phi_{\mathcal{R}})}{\mathcal{B}(\Phi_{\mathcal{R}})} \bar{\Delta}(p_{\perp}) \right]; \\
 d\sigma_{\text{NLO}}^{(\text{MEPS})} &= \\
 d\Phi_{\mathcal{B}} \mathcal{B}(\Phi_{\mathcal{B}}) &\left[ \Delta(p_{\perp, \min}) + \int_{p_{\perp, \min}} d\tilde{\Phi}_{\mathcal{R}|\mathcal{B}} \frac{\mathcal{R}(\Phi_{\mathcal{R}})}{\mathcal{B}(\Phi_{\mathcal{R}})} \Delta(p_{\perp}) \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

- Nearly the same. Most notably: NLO vs. LO normalisation.  
Boils down to a local  $K$  factor =  $\bar{\mathcal{B}} / \mathcal{B}$
- Also note: different Sudakovs, in  $\text{ME} \otimes \text{PS}$  [...] does not integrate to one.  
Reason: Kernel in Sudakov  $\Delta$  differs from  $\mathcal{R}/\mathcal{B}$ .

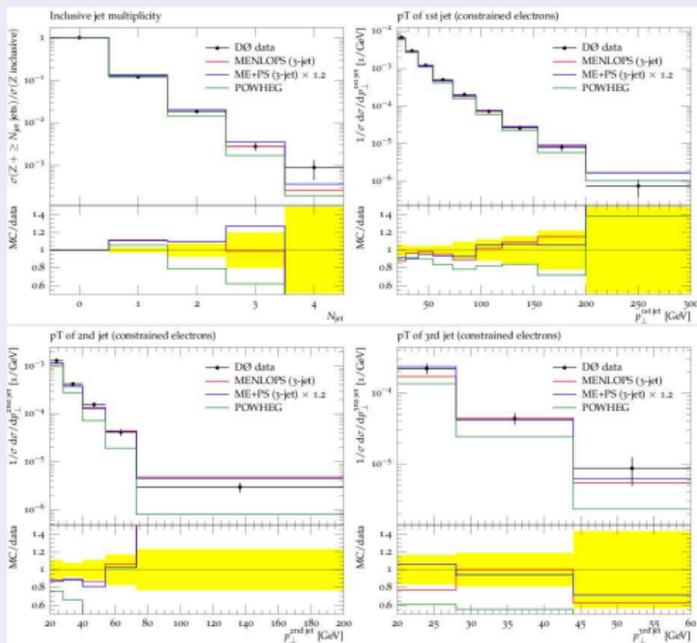
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## Summary of lecture 4

### • Hadronisation

- Various phenomenological models;
- tuned to LEP data, overall agreement satisfying;
- validity for hadron data not quite clear.

(beam remnant fragmentation not in LEP.)

### • Underlying event

- Theoretically not understood;
- models typically based on collinear factorisation and semi-independent multi-parton scattering;
- models highly parameter-dependent, leading to large differences in predictions;
- even unclear: good observables to distinguish models.