

Towards precision event simulation for collider experiments

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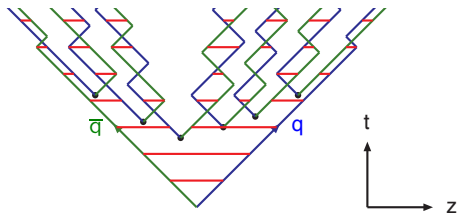
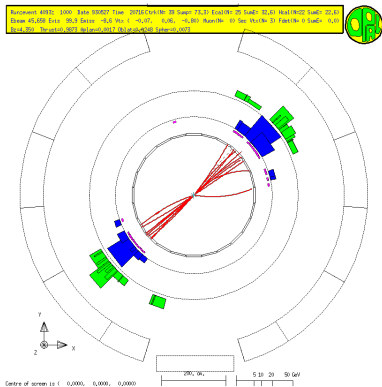
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Event generators in 1979

[Andersson,Gustafson,Ingelman,Sjöstrand] Phys.Rept.97(1983)31

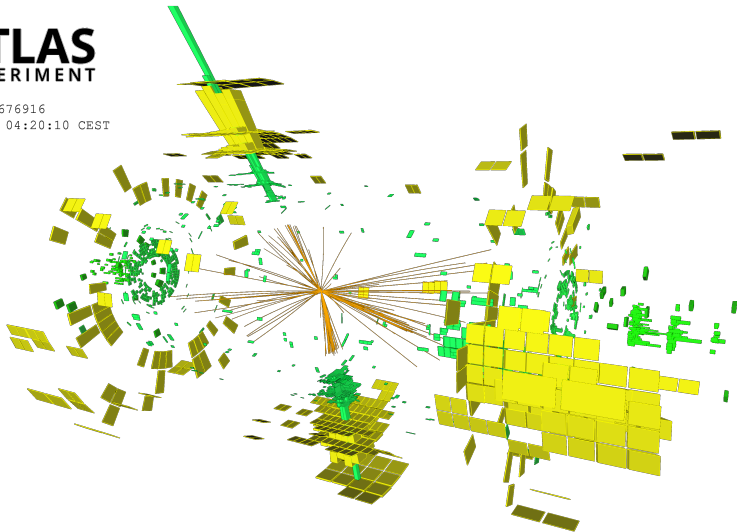


- ▶ Lund string model: \sim like rubber band that is pulled apart and breaks into pieces, or like a magnet broken into smaller pieces.
- ▶ Complete description of 2-jet events in $e^+e^- \rightarrow$ hadrons

Experimental situation in 2019

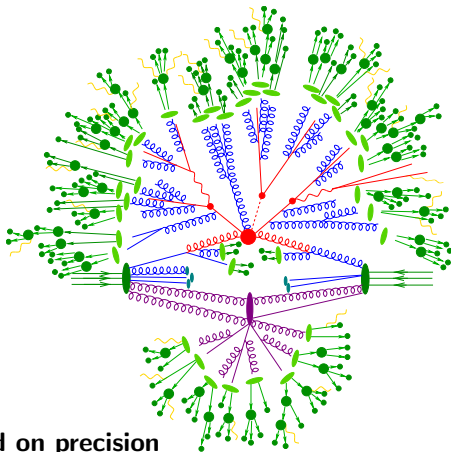


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Event generators in 2019

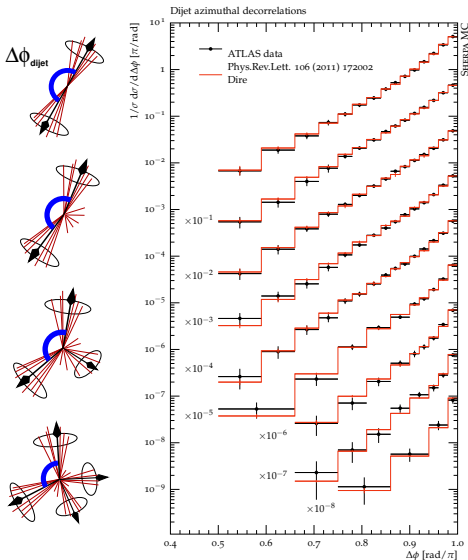
- ▶ LO Matrix Element generators and Loop-ME Generators
- ▶ Parton showers, mostly based on dipole/antenna picture
- ▶ Multiple interaction models possibly interleaved with shower
- ▶ Hadronization models string/cluster fragmentation
- ▶ Hadron decay packages
- ▶ Photon emission generators YFS formalism or QED shower



Much of the development focused on precision

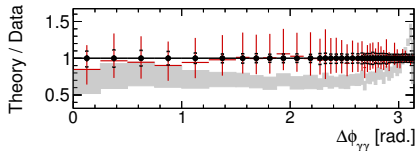
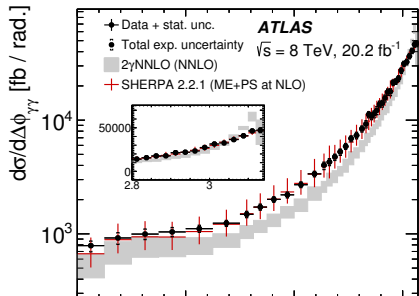
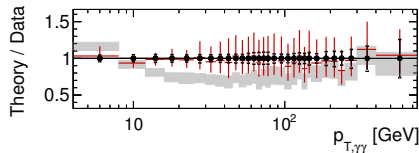
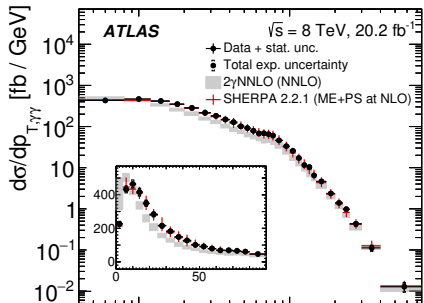
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[Prestel,SH] arXiv:1506.05057



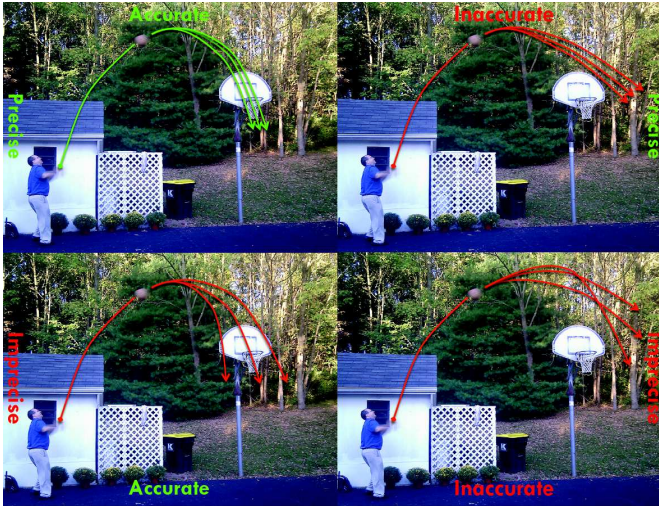
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[ATLAS] arXiv:1704.03839



Accuracy versus precision

[A. David]

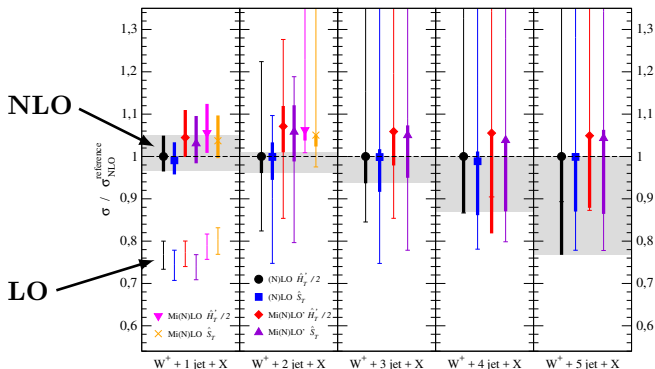


Fixed-order uncertainties

[Bern et al.] arXiv:1304.1253, arXiv:1412.4775

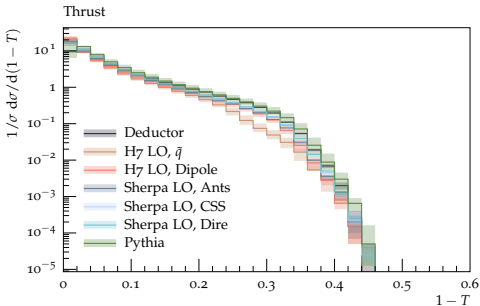
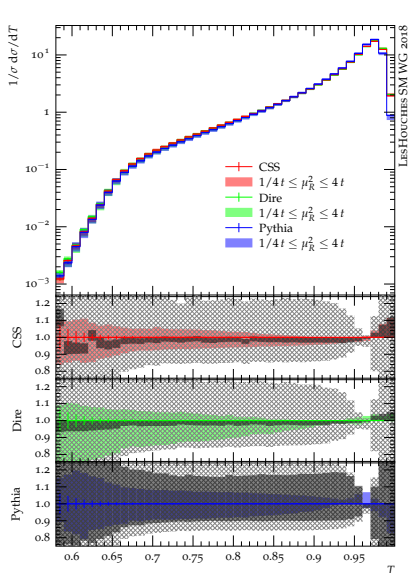
[Anger, Febres Cordero, Maître, SH] arXiv:1712.08621

- ▶ $W^\pm + \text{jets}$ at 13 TeV LHC, computed with BlackHat+Sherpa
- ▶ Largely reduced uncertainties at NLO, but more importantly good agreement for different functional forms of scale, including several variants of MINLO [Hamilton, Nason, Zanderighi] arXiv:1206.3572



Parton-shower uncertainties?

[LesHouches] arXiv:1605.04692, arXiv:1803.07977



- Assessment of PS uncertainties assuming they can be covered by varying evolution variable t in 2nd order soft splitting kernel

$$\frac{1}{t} \left(\frac{\alpha_s(t)}{2\pi} \right)^2 \left[\beta_0(t) \log \frac{k_T^2}{t} + K(t) \right] \frac{2}{1-z}$$

Outline of this Talk

Lessons learned

- ▶ Fueled by the NLO revolution, much of the MC community worked on precision fixed-order simulations during the last decade(s)
- ▶ This led to much improved agreement with data and tremendous new capabilities of the generators, but left the resummation behind
- ▶ Many of the challenges at higher luminosity / energy require increased precision in the parton-shower simulation (we cannot hope to compute, say, 8-jet final states at NLO)

Towards a possible solution

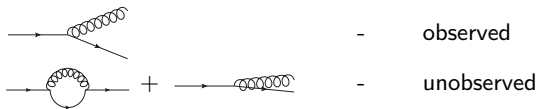
- ▶ Understand what precision means in the context of a parton shower
 - ▶ Parton shower is momentum conserving, analytics are not
 - ▶ Parton shower is unitary, analytic calculations mostly not
- ▶ Improve formal precision of parton shower, but keep its good features
 - ▶ Add higher-order corrections to splitting functions
 - ▶ Respect probability and momentum conservation

What is a parton shower?

Radiative corrections as a branching process

[Marchesini,Webber] NPB238(1984)1, [Sjöstrand] PLB157(1985)321

- ▶ Make two well motivated assumptions
 - ▶ Parton branching can occur in two ways



- ▶ Evolution conserves probability
- ▶ The consequence is Poisson statistics
 - ▶ Let the decay probability be λ
 - ▶ Assume indistinguishable particles \rightarrow naive probability for n emissions

$$P_{\text{naive}}(n, \lambda) = \frac{\lambda^n}{n!}$$

- ▶ Probability conservation (i.e. unitarity) implies a no-emission probability

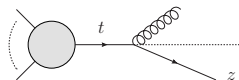
$$P(n, \lambda) = \frac{\lambda^n}{n!} \exp\{-\lambda\} \quad \rightarrow \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(n, \lambda) = 1$$

- ▶ In the context of parton showers $\Delta = \exp\{-\lambda\}$ is called Sudakov factor

Radiative corrections as a branching process

- Decay probability for parton state in collinear limit

$$\lambda \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sigma_n} \int_t^{Q^2} d\bar{t} \frac{d\sigma_{n+1}}{d\bar{t}} \approx \sum_{\text{jets}} \int_t^{Q^2} \frac{d\bar{t}}{\bar{t}} \int dz \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P(z)$$



Parameter t identified with evolution “time”

- Splitting function $P(z)$ spin & color dependent

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

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

- Matching to soft limit requires some care, because full soft emission probability present in all collinear sectors

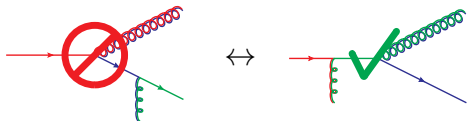
$$\frac{1}{t} \frac{2}{1-z} \xrightarrow{z \rightarrow 1} \frac{p_i p_k}{(p_i q)(q p_k)}$$

Soft double counting problem [Marchesini, Webber] NPB310(1988)461

Color coherence and the dipole picture

[Marchesini,Webber] NPB310(1988)461

- ▶ Individual color charges inside a color dipole cannot be resolved if gluon wavelength larger than dipole size \rightarrow emission off “mother”

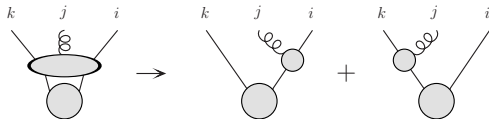


- ▶ Net effect is destructive interference outside cone with opening angle set by emitting color dipole \rightarrow phase space for soft radiation halved

[Gustafsson,Pettersson] NPB306(1988)746

- ▶ Alternative description of effect in terms of dipole evolution
- ▶ Modern approach is to partial fraction soft eikonal and match to collinear sectors [Catani,Seymour] hep-ph/9605323

$$\frac{p_i p_k}{(p_i p_j)(p_j p_k)} \rightarrow \frac{1}{p_i p_j} \frac{p_i p_k}{(p_i + p_k) p_j} + \frac{1}{p_k p_j} \frac{p_i p_k}{(p_i + p_k) p_j}$$



Color coherence and the dipole picture

- ▶ Splitting kernels become dependent on anti-collinear direction usually defined by color spectator in large- N_c limit
- ▶ Singularity confined to soft-collinear region only captures all coherence effects at leading color, NLL

$$\frac{1}{1-z} \rightarrow \frac{1-z}{(1-z)^2 + \kappa^2} \quad \kappa^2 = \frac{k_{\perp}^2}{Q^2}$$

- ▶ Complete set of leading-order splitting functions now given by

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

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

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

- ▶ Close correspondence to principal value regularization

[Curci,Furmanski,Petronzio] NPB175(1980)27

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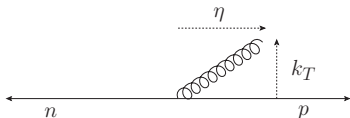
- ▶ Parton shower proven to be NLL accurate for simple observables, provided that soft double-counting removed and 2-loop cusp anomalous dimension included [Catani, Marchesini, Webber] NPB349(1991)635
- ▶ More complicated observables require detailed analysis, leading color approximation and kinematics mapping typically problematic [Dasgupta, Dreyer, Hamilton, Monni, Salam] arXiv:1805.09327
- ▶ For >25 years no one determined *numerically* the meaning of this
- ▶ Take a first stab at it:
 - ▶ Design a parton shower that reproduces NLL exactly
 - ▶ Figure out what differences are compared to plain PS
 - ▶ Assess effects one-by-one and compare numerically
- ▶ Difficult due to vast amount of analytic results, hence
 - ▶ Keep it simple → additive observables in $e^+e^- \rightarrow$ hadrons (i.e. Thrust, BKS [Berger, Kucs, Sterman], FC [Banfi, Salam, Zanderighi])
 - ▶ Use established, semi-analytic Caesar method as a reference [Banfi, Salam, Zanderighi] hep-ph/0407286

Kinematics and parametrization of observables

[Banfi,Salam,Zanderighi] hep-ph/0407286

- Contribution of one emission with momentum k to observable v

$$V(k) = \left(\frac{k_T}{Q}\right)^a e^{-b\eta} \quad \leftarrow$$



where $k^\mu = (1-z)p^\mu + \beta n^\mu + k_T^\mu$ is soft-gluon momentum

- On-shell condition determines kinematics

$$\beta = \frac{k_T^2/Q^2}{1-z} \quad \rightarrow \quad \eta = \log \frac{1-z}{k_T/Q}$$

- Additive observables \rightarrow emissions contribute as simple sum

$$v = V(\{p\}, \{k\}) = \sum_i V(k_i)$$

- Prime example: Thrust in $e^+e^- \rightarrow$ hadrons

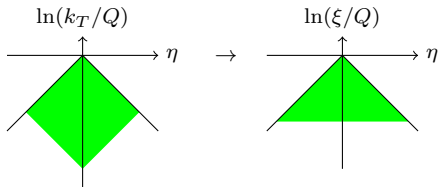
$$V(k) = \frac{p_-}{Q} = \frac{k_T}{Q} e^{-\eta} \quad \rightarrow \quad a = 1, \quad b = 1$$

NLL resummation for simple additive observables

[Banfi,Salam,Zanderighi] hep-ph/0407286

- ▶ Need one-emission probability for emissions harder than v to compute Sudakov factor \rightarrow irregularly shaped region in k_T, η (Lund) plane
Define suitable “evolution” variable to transform to a triangle

$$\xi = k_T^2 (1-z)^{-\frac{2b}{a+b}}$$



- ▶ One-emission probability becomes ($\xi = Q^2 v^{2/(a+b)}$)

$$R_{\text{NLL}}(v) = 2 \int_{Q^2 v^{\frac{2}{a+b}}}^{Q^2} \frac{d\xi}{\xi} \left[\int_0^1 dz \frac{\alpha_s(k_T^2)}{2\pi} \frac{2C_F}{1-z} \Theta(\eta) - \frac{\alpha_s(\xi)}{\pi} C_F B_q \right]$$

- ▶ Cumulative cross section $\Sigma(v) = 1/\sigma \int^v d\bar{v} (d\sigma/d\bar{v})$ given by

$$\Sigma_{\text{NLL}}(v) = e^{-R_{\text{NLL}}(v)} \mathcal{F}(v)$$

$\mathcal{F}(v) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \mathcal{F}_\epsilon(v)$ is pure NLL, accounting for multiple emissions

Parton shower for simple additive observables

- ▶ Integrated one-emission probability in parton shower

$$R_{\text{PS}}(v) = 2 \int_{Q^2 v^{\frac{2}{a+b}}}^{Q^2} \frac{d\xi}{\xi} \int_{z_{\min}}^{z_{\max}} dz \frac{\alpha_s(k_T^2)}{2\pi} C_F \left[\frac{2}{1-z} - (1+z) \right] \Theta(\eta)$$

z -limits from momentum conservation, $\Theta(\eta)$ removes soft double-counting

- ▶ $\Sigma_{\text{PS}}(v)$ determined by unitarity (i.e. Poisson statistics)
- ▶ Find unified NLL/PS expressions for $R(V)$ and $\Sigma(v)$

$$\Sigma(v) = \exp \left\{ - \int_v \frac{d\xi}{\xi} R'_{>v}(\xi) - \int_{v_{\min}}^v \frac{d\xi}{\xi} R'_{<v}(\xi) \right\} \\ \times \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m!} \left(\prod_{i=1}^m \int_{v_{\min}} \frac{d\xi_i}{\xi_i} R'_{<v}(\xi_i) \right) \Theta \left(v - \sum_{j=1}^m V(\xi_j) \right)$$

where

$$R'_{\leq v}(\xi) = \frac{\alpha_s^{\leq v, \text{soft}}(\mu_{\leq}^2)}{\pi} \int_{z_{\min}}^{z_{\leq v, \text{soft}}^{\max}} dz \frac{C_F}{1-z} - \frac{\alpha_s^{\leq v, \text{coll}}(\mu_{\leq}^2)}{\pi} \int_{z_{\min}}^{z_{\leq v, \text{coll}}^{\max}} dz C_F \frac{1+z}{2}$$

Differences between pure NLL and parton shower

[Reichelt,Siegert,SH] arXiv:1711.03497

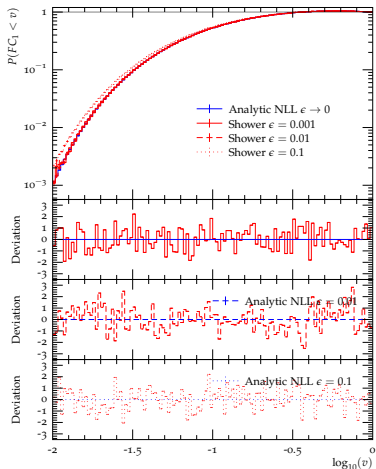
- Isolate differences in terms of resolved/unresolved splitting probability:

$$R'_{\leq v}(\xi) = \frac{\alpha_s^{\leq v, \text{soft}}(\mu_{\leq v}^2)}{\pi} \int_{z_{\min}}^{z_{\leq v, \text{soft}}^{\max}} dz \frac{C_F}{1-z} - \frac{\alpha_s^{\leq v, \text{coll}}(\mu_{\leq v}^2)}{\pi} \int_{z_{\min}}^{z_{\leq v, \text{coll}}^{\max}} dz C_F \frac{1+z}{2}$$

	NLL	Parton Shower		NLL	Parton Shower
$z_{>v, \text{soft}}^{\max}$	$1 - (\xi/Q^2)^{\frac{a+b}{2a}}$		$z_{>v, \text{coll}}^{\max}$	1	$1 - (\xi/Q^2)^{\frac{a+b}{2a}}$
$\mu_{>v, \text{soft}}^2$	$\xi(1-z)^{\frac{2b}{a+b}}$		$\mu_{>v, \text{coll}}^2$	ξ	$\xi(1-z)^{\frac{2b}{a+b}}$
$\alpha_s^{>v, \text{soft}}$	2-loop CMW		$\alpha_s^{>v, \text{coll}}$	1-loop	2-loop CMW
$z_{<v, \text{soft}}^{\max}$	$1 - v^{\frac{1}{a}}$	$1 - (\xi/Q^2)^{\frac{a+b}{2a}}$	$z_{<v, \text{coll}}^{\max}$	0	$1 - (\xi/Q^2)^{\frac{a+b}{2a}}$
$\mu_{<v, \text{soft}}^2$	$Q^2 v^{\frac{2}{a+b}} (1-z)^{\frac{2b}{a+b}}$	$\xi(1-z)^{\frac{2b}{a+b}}$	$\mu_{<v, \text{coll}}^2$	n.a.	$\xi(1-z)^{\frac{2b}{a+b}}$
$\alpha_s^{<v, \text{soft}}$	1-loop	2-loop CMW	$\alpha_s^{<v, \text{coll}}$	n.a.	2-loop CMW

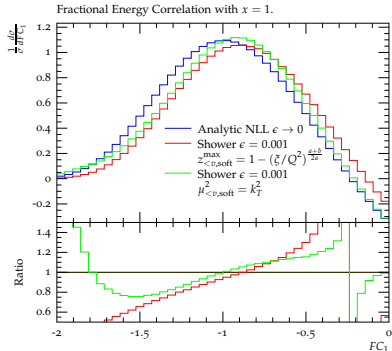
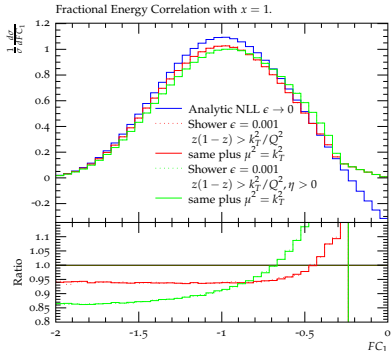
- Can cast pure NLL into PS language by using NLL expressions in PS
- Can study each effect in detail by reverting changes back to PS
- Dictionary for conversation between MC authors and theorists

Baseline for comparison



- ▶ Modified parton shower exactly reproduces pure NLL result
- ▶ $E_{\text{cms}}=91.2$ GeV, $\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.118$ fixed flavor $n_f = 5$

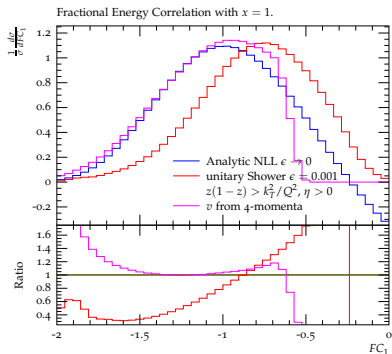
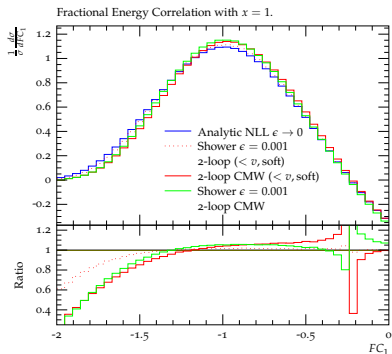
Local four momentum conservation and unitarity



- ▶ NLL→PS in $z_{\text{min/max}}$
(4-momentum conservation)
- ▶ NLL→PS in $z_{>v,\text{coll}}^{\text{max}}$
(phase-space sectorization)
- ▶ NLL→PS in $\mu_{>v,\text{coll}}^2$
(conventional)

- ▶ NLL→PS in $z_{<v,\text{soft}}^{\text{max}}$
(from PS unitarity)
- ▶ NLL→PS in $\mu_{<v,\text{soft}}^2$
(from PS unitarity)

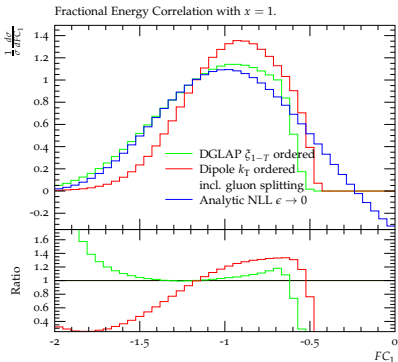
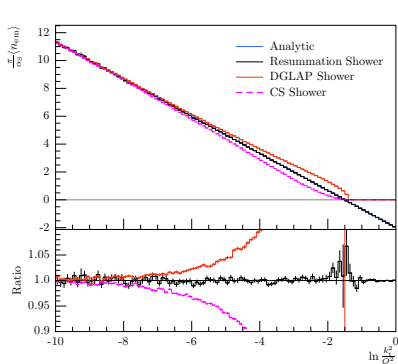
Running coupling and global momentum conservation



- ▶ NLL \rightarrow PS in 2-loop CMW $< v, \text{soft}$ (from PS unitarity)
- ▶ NLL \rightarrow PS in 2-loop CMW overall (conventional)

- ▶ NLL \rightarrow PS in observable (use experimental definition)

Overall comparison NLL / PS / Dipole Shower



- ▶ Tuned comparison of differences between formally equivalent calculations
- ▶ Simplest process and simplest observable, but still sizable differences
- ▶ Origin of differences traced to treatment of kinematics & unitarity
- ▶ At NLL accuracy, none of the methods is formally better than another
→ Difference is a systematic uncertainty & needs to be kept in mind

How to make parton showers more precise?

Part I: Collinear limit

How to make parton showers more precise?

- ▶ Formulate parton-shower algorithm at NLO [Nagy,Soper] arXiv:1705.08093
Naturally, NLO DGLAP evolution must be part of the full solution
- ▶ NLO DGLAP splitting kernels known since long
[Curci,Furmanski,Petronzio] NPB175(1980)27, PLB97(1980)437
[Floratos,Kounnas,Lacaze] NPB192(1981)417
- ▶ So far not implemented in parton showers because
 - ▶ NLO-calculation $4-2\epsilon$ dimensional, but parton showers 4D
 - ▶ Overlap with soft-gluon resummation must be treated at NLO
- ▶ Focus on purely collinear corrections for a start
Flavor-changing case is simplest but requires all the technology:
 - ▶ Redefine time-like Sudakovs to recover NLO DGLAP evolution
[Jadach,Skrzypek] hep-ph/0312355
 - ▶ Phase-space factorization and kinematics for $2 \rightarrow 4$ transitions
[Prestel,SH] arXiv:1705.00742
 - ▶ Negative NLO corrections \rightarrow weighted veto algorithm
[Schumann,Siegert,SH] arXiv:0912.3501, [Lönnblad] arXiv:1211.7204

Time-like parton showers and the DGLAP equation

- ▶ DGLAP equation for fragmentation functions

$$\frac{dx D_a(x, t)}{d \ln t} = \sum_{b=q,g} \int_0^1 d\tau \int_0^1 dz \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} [z P_{ab}(z)]_+ \tau D_b(\tau, t) \delta(x - \tau z)$$

- ▶ Define plus prescription $[z P_{ab}(z)]_+ = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} z P_{ab}(z, \varepsilon)$

$$P_{ab}(z, \varepsilon) = P_{ab}(z) \Theta(1 - z - \varepsilon) - \delta_{ab} \sum_{c \in \{q,g\}} \frac{\Theta(z - 1 + \varepsilon)}{\varepsilon} \int_0^{1-\varepsilon} d\zeta \zeta P_{ac}(\zeta)$$

- ▶ Rewrite for finite ε

$$\frac{d \ln D_a(x, t)}{d \ln t} = - \sum_{c=q,g} \int_0^{1-\varepsilon} d\zeta \zeta \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{ac}(\zeta) + \sum_{b=q,g} \int_x^{1-\varepsilon} \frac{dz}{z} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{ab}(z) \frac{D_b(x/z, t)}{D_a(x, t)}$$

- ▶ First term is logarithmic derivative of Sudakov factor

$$\Delta_a(t_0, t) = \exp \left\{ - \int_{t_0}^t \frac{d\bar{t}}{\bar{t}} \sum_{c=q,g} \int_0^{1-\varepsilon} d\zeta \zeta \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{ac}(\zeta) \right\}$$

Time-like parton showers and the DGLAP equation

- ▶ Use generating function $\mathcal{D}_a(x, t, \mu^2) = D_a(x, t) \Delta_a(t, \mu^2)$ to write

$$\frac{d \ln \mathcal{D}_a(x, t, \mu^2)}{d \ln t} = \sum_{b=q,g} \int_x^{1-\varepsilon} \frac{dz}{z} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{ab}(z) \frac{D_b(x/z, t)}{D_a(x, t)}.$$

- ▶ A similar probability density is used to generate initial-state emissions
But final-state showers are typically unconstrained (hadrons not identified)
In this case the probability density is modified to

$$\frac{d}{d \ln t} \ln \left(\frac{\mathcal{D}_a(x, t, \mu^2)}{D_a(x, t)} \right) = \sum_{b=q,g} \int_0^{1-\varepsilon} dz z \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{ab}(z).$$

- ▶ **Net result:** Unitarity implies that forward-branching Sudakovs must include a ‘symmetry factor’ \approx [Jadach,Skrzypek] hep-ph/0312355
- ▶ Convenient interpretation as “tagging” of evolving parton
- ▶ Equivalent to standard technique at LO due to symmetry of $P_{ab}(z)$
More care is needed at NLO [Prestel,SH] arXiv:1705.00742

Collinear parton evolution at NLO

[Curci,Furmanski,Petronzio] NPB175(1980)27, [Floratos,Kounnas,Lacaze] NPB192(1981)417

- Higher-order DGLAP evolution kernels obtained from factorization

$$D_{ji}^{(0)}(z, \mu) = \delta_{ij} \delta(1-z) \quad \leftrightarrow \quad \text{Diagram 1} / \text{Diagram 2}$$

Diagram 1: A grey circle with two external lines on the left and one line on the right labeled 'j' with momentum 'z'.
Diagram 2: A grey circle with two external lines on the left and one line on the right labeled 'i' with momentum '1'.

$$D_{ji}^{(1)}(z, \mu) = -\frac{1}{\epsilon} P_{ji}^{(0)}(z) \quad \leftrightarrow \quad \text{Diagram 3} / \text{Diagram 4}$$

Diagram 3: A grey circle with two external lines on the left and one line on the right labeled 'i' with momentum 'z'. A wavy gluon line is emitted from the top of the circle.
Diagram 4: A grey circle with two external lines on the left and one line on the right labeled 'i' with momentum '1'.

$$D_{ji}^{(2)}(z, \mu) = -\frac{1}{2\epsilon} P_{ji}^{(1)}(z) + \frac{\beta_0}{4\epsilon^2} P_{ji}^{(0)}(z) + \frac{1}{2\epsilon^2} \int_z^1 \frac{dx}{x} P_{jk}^{(0)}(x) P_{ki}^{(0)}(z/x)$$

$$\leftrightarrow \left(\text{Diagram 5} + \text{Diagram 6} \right) / \text{Diagram 4}$$

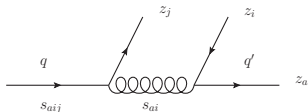
Diagram 5: Similar to Diagram 3, but the wavy gluon line is emitted from the bottom of the circle.
Diagram 6: Similar to Diagram 3, but the wavy gluon line is emitted from the side of the circle.
Diagram 4: Same as in the previous equation.

- $P_{ji}^{(n)}$ not probabilities, but sum rules hold (\leftrightarrow unitarity constraint)
In particular: Momentum sum rule identical between LO & NLO
- **Goal:** Perform the NLO computation of $P_{ji}^{(1)}$ fully differentially using modified dipole subtraction [Catani,Seymour] hep-ph/9605323

Collinear parton evolution at NLO

[Prestel,SH] arXiv:1705.00742

- ▶ Simulation of exclusive states requires computing splitting functions on the fly using differential NLO calculation & collinear factorization
- ▶ Schematically very similar to Catani-Seymour dipole subtraction
- ▶ Simplest example: Flavor-changing configuration $q \rightarrow q'$



Tree-level expression¹ \leftrightarrow real-emission correction in CS

$$P_{qq'} = \frac{1}{2} C_F T_R \frac{s_{aij}}{s_{ai}} \left[-\frac{t_{ai,j}^2}{s_{ai} s_{aij}} + \frac{4z_j + (z_a - z_i)^2}{z_a + z_i} + (1 - 2\varepsilon) \left(z_a + z_i - \frac{s_{ai}}{s_{aij}} \right) \right]$$

Subtraction term $(q \rightarrow g) \otimes (g \rightarrow q')$ \leftrightarrow differential subtraction term in CS

$$\tilde{P}_{qq'} = C_F T_R \frac{s_{aij}}{s_{ai}} \left(\frac{1 + \tilde{z}_j^2}{1 - \tilde{z}_j} - \varepsilon(1 - \tilde{z}_j) \right) \left(1 - \frac{2}{1 - \varepsilon} \frac{\tilde{z}_a \tilde{z}_i}{(\tilde{z}_a + \tilde{z}_i)^2} \right) + \dots$$

¹ $(z_a + z_i)t_{ai,j} = 2(z_a s_{ij} - z_i s_{aj}) + (z_a - z_i)s_{ai}$

Collinear parton evolution at NLO

[Prestel,SH] arXiv:1705.00742

- ▶ Complete NLO result schematically given by

$$P_{qq'}^{(1)}(z) = C_{qq'}(z) + I_{qq'}(z) + \int d\Phi_{+1} [R_{qq'}(z, \Phi_{+1}) - S_{qq'}(z, \Phi_{+1})]$$

- ▶ Real correction $R_{qq'}$ and subtraction terms $S_{qq'}$ ↗ previous slide
Difference finite in 4 dimensions → amenable to MC simulation
- ▶ Integrated subtraction term and factorization counterterm given by

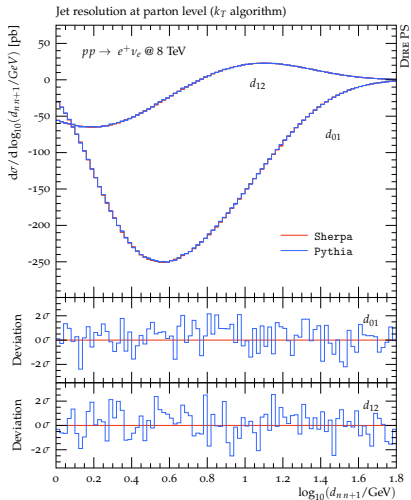
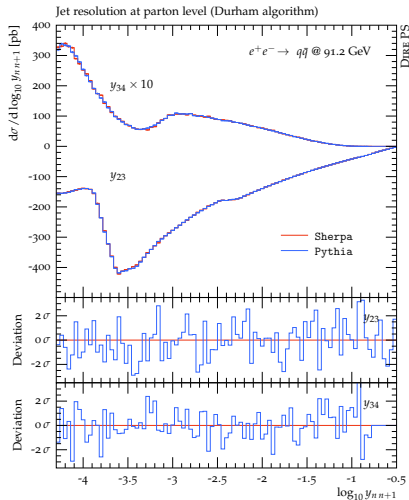
$$I_{qq'}(z) = \int d\Phi_{+1} S_{qq'}(z, \Phi_{+1})$$

$$C_{qq'}(z) = \int_z \frac{dx}{x} \left(P_{qg}^{(0)}(x) + \varepsilon \mathcal{J}_{qg}^{(1)}(x) \right) \frac{1}{\varepsilon} P_{gq}^{(0)}(z/x)$$

$$\mathcal{J}_{qg}^{(1)}(z) = 2C_F \left(\frac{1 + (1-x)^2}{x} \ln(x(1-x)) + x \right)$$

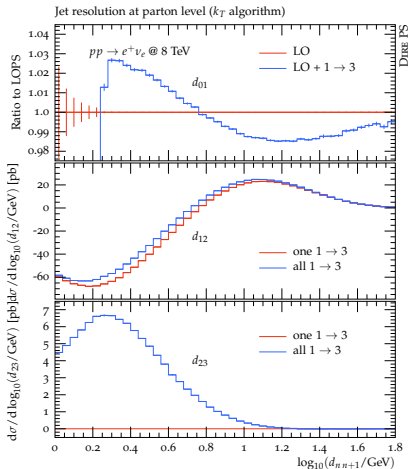
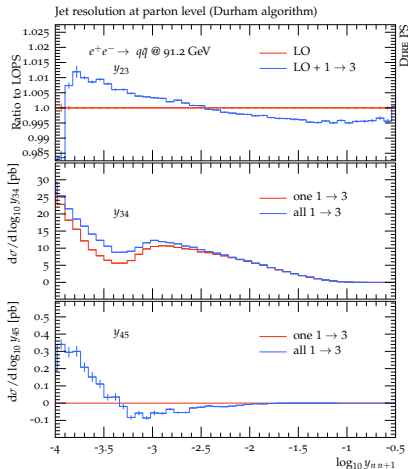
- ▶ Analytical computation of I not needed, as $I + \mathcal{P}/\varepsilon$ finite
generate as endpoint at $s_{ai} = 0$, starting from integrand at $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$
- ▶ All components of $P_{qq'}^{(1)}$ eventually finite in 4 dimensions
Can be simulated fully differentially in parton shower

Validation



- Effect of single $1 \rightarrow 3$ emission on leading and next-to-leading jet rate

Impact relative to leading-order prediction



- ▶ Effect of 1 \rightarrow 3 emissions on leading jet rate
- ▶ Impact of multiple 1 \rightarrow 3 emissions

How to make parton showers more precise?

Part II: Soft limit

Soft evolution at the next-to-leading order

[Marchesini,Korchemsky] PLB313(1993)433, hep-ph/9210281

- ▶ Soft-gluon resummed expression of Drell-Yan or DIS cross section

$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma(z, Q^2)}{d \log Q^2} = \mathcal{H}(Q^2) \widetilde{W}(z, Q^2)$$

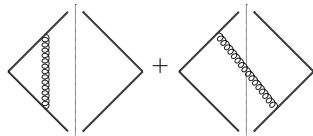
RGE governed by Wilson loop \widetilde{W} ($Q(1-z)$ - total soft gluon energy)

- ▶ Non-abelian exponentiation theorem allows to expand as

$$\widetilde{W} = \exp \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} w^{(i)} \right\}$$

- ▶ One-loop result given by

$$w^{(1)} = C_F \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{2\pi} \left[\ln^2 L + \frac{\pi^2}{6} \right] \leftrightarrow$$

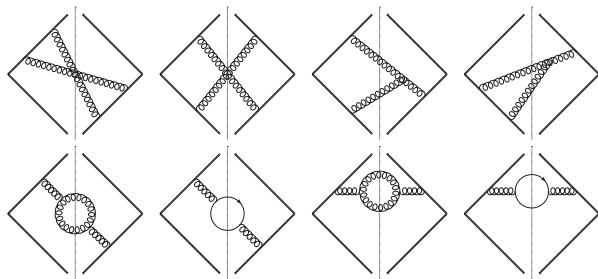


where $L = -b_+ b_- / b_0^2$ and $b_0 = 2 e^{-\gamma_E} / \mu$

Soft evolution at the next-to-leading order

- ▶ 2-loop contribution $w^{(2)}$ computed from (reals only)

[Belitsky] hep-ph/9808389



- ▶ Renormalized result in position space

$$w^{(2)} = C_F \frac{\alpha_s^2(\mu)}{(2\pi)^2} \left[-\frac{\beta_0}{6} \ln^3 L + \Gamma_{\text{cusp}}^{(2)} \ln^2 L + 2 \ln L \left(\Gamma_{\text{soft}}^{(2)} + \frac{\pi^2}{12} \beta_0 \right) + \dots \right]$$

$$\Gamma_{\text{cusp}}^{(2)} = \left(\frac{67}{18} - \frac{\pi^2}{6} \right) C_A - \frac{10}{9} T_R n_f, \quad \beta_0 = \frac{11}{6} C_A - \frac{2}{3} T_R n_f$$

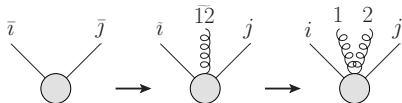
$$\Gamma_{\text{soft}}^{(2)} = \left(\frac{101}{27} - \frac{11}{72} \pi^2 - \frac{7}{2} \zeta_3 \right) C_A - \left(\frac{28}{27} - \frac{\pi^2}{18} \right) T_R n_f$$

- ▶ This is the benchmark to be reproduced by exclusive MC simulation

Separation of soft and collinear sectors

[Dulat, Prestel, SH] arXiv:1805.03757

- Phase space parametrized in terms of total soft momentum $q = p_1 + p_2$



- Momentum space result expanded in Laurent series using

$$\frac{1}{q_{\pm}^{1+\epsilon}} = -\frac{1}{\epsilon} \delta(q_{\pm}) + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{\epsilon^i}{i!} \left(\frac{\ln^i q_{\pm}}{q_{\pm}} \right)_+$$

- Unitarity implies that factorized plus distributions like $[1/q_+]_+ [1/q_-]_+$ have no PS analogue \rightarrow define double-plus distributions instead

$$[f(q_+, q_-)]_{++} g(q_+, q_-) = f(q_+, q_-) (g(q_+, q_-) - g(0, 0))$$

- Re-organize entire calculation in terms of pure soft & collinear terms
Key observation: $q_{\pm} = 0$ implies collinear limit for 1 & 2 emissions



Soft evolution at the next-to-leading order

[Catani, Grazzini] hep-ph/9908523

- Real-emission corrections can be written in convenient form

$$\mathcal{S}_{ij}^{(q\bar{q})}(1, 2) = - \frac{s_{ij}}{(s_{i1} + s_{i2})(s_{j1} + s_{j2})} \frac{T_R}{s_{12}} \left(1 - 4 z_1 z_2 \cos^2 \phi_{12,ij} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{S}_{ij}^{(gg)}(1, 2) &= \mathcal{S}_{ij}^{(s.o.)}(1, 2) \frac{C_A}{2} \left(1 + \frac{s_{i1}s_{j1} + s_{i2}s_{j2}}{(s_{i1} + s_{i2})(s_{j1} + s_{j2})} \right) \\ &\quad + \frac{s_{ij}}{(s_{i1} + s_{i2})(s_{j1} + s_{j2})} \frac{C_A}{s_{12}} \left(-2 + 4(1 - \epsilon) z_1 z_2 \cos^2 \phi_{12,ij} \right) \end{aligned}$$

- Strongly ordered and spin correlation components

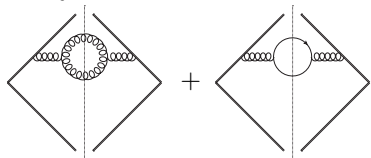
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{S}_{ij}^{(s.o.)}(1, 2) &= \frac{s_{ij}}{s_{i1}s_{12}s_{j2}} + \frac{s_{ij}}{s_{j1}s_{12}s_{i2}} - \frac{s_{ij}^2}{s_{i1}s_{j1}s_{i2}s_{j2}} \\ 4 z_1 z_2 \cos^2 \phi_{12,ij} &= \frac{(s_{i1}s_{j2} - s_{i2}s_{j1})^2}{s_{12}s_{ij}(s_{i1} + s_{i2})(s_{j1} + s_{j2})} \end{aligned}$$

- Apparently simple structure, but unlike collinear NLO results not reflected by iterated leading-order splitting kernels
→ not all denominators can be composed from LO expressions

NLO subtraction: Dipole approach

[Dulat,Prestel,SH] arXiv:1805.03757

- ▶ Nearly ok subtraction obtained from spin correlated parton shower


$$= \sum_{b=q,g} J_{ij,\mu}(p_{12}) J_{ij,\nu}(p_{12}) \frac{P_{gb}^{\mu\nu}(z_1)}{s_{12}}$$

- ▶ Building blocks are eikonal currents

$$J_{ij}^{\mu}(q) = \frac{p_i^{\mu}}{2p_i \cdot q} - \frac{p_j^{\mu}}{2p_j \cdot q}$$

and collinear splitting functions

$$P_{gq}^{\mu\nu}(z) = T_R \left(-g^{\mu\nu} + 4z(1-z) \frac{k_{\perp}^{\mu} k_{\perp}^{\nu}}{k_{\perp}^2} \right)$$

$$P_{gg}^{\mu\nu}(z) = C_A \left(-g^{\mu\nu} \left(\frac{z}{1-z} + \frac{1-z}{z} \right) - 2(1-\epsilon)z(1-z) \frac{k_{\perp}^{\mu} k_{\perp}^{\nu}}{k_{\perp}^2} \right)$$

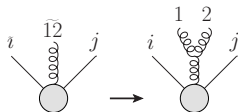
- ▶ Finite remainder has integrable singularities \rightarrow not suitable for MC
problem arises from interference of abelian & non-abelian diagrams

NLO subtraction: Antenna approach – Kinematics

[Dulat,Prestel,SH] arXiv:1805.03757

- ▶ In iterated emission $\bar{i}\bar{j} \rightarrow \tilde{i}\tilde{1}\tilde{2}j \rightarrow ij12$ emission probability of first step written in terms of momenta after second step is

$$\frac{\tilde{p}_i p_j}{2(\tilde{p}_i \tilde{p}_{12})(\tilde{p}_{12} p_j)} = \frac{s_{ij}}{(s_{i1} + s_{i2})(s_{j1} + s_{j2}) - s_{ij} s_{12}}$$



- ▶ Not identical to desired “eikonal” $s_{ij}/((s_{i1} + s_{i2})(s_{j1} + s_{j2}))$ in soft \otimes collinear terms of S_{ij} but easily corrected by weight

$$w_{ij}^{12} = 1 - \frac{s_{ij} s_{12}}{(s_{i1} + s_{i2})(s_{j1} + s_{j2})} = \left(\frac{p_{\perp,12}^{(ij)}}{m_{\perp,12}^{(ij)}} \right)^2$$

- ▶ Iterated eikonals of type $s_{ij}/(s_{i1}s_{j1})$, $s_{j1}/(s_{12}s_{j2})$ in $S_{ij}^{(s.o.)}$ reconstructed by partial fractioning & matching to LO² → additional weight

$$\bar{w}_{ij}^{12} = \frac{(s_{i1} + s_{i2})(s_{j1} + s_{j2}) - s_{ij} s_{12}}{s_{i1} s_{j1} + s_{i2} s_{j2}} = \frac{(p_{\perp,12}^{(ij)})^2}{(p_{\perp,1}^{(ij)})^2 + (p_{\perp,2}^{(ij)})^2}$$

- ▶ These weights lie between zero and one and reduce emission rates

Leading color fully differential soft evolution at NLO

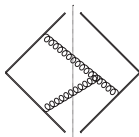
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- ▶ Squared LO eikonal and negative term in $S_{ij}^{(s.o.)}$ both have no parton-shower analogue \rightarrow correct for both mismatches by adding sub-leading color contribution to $i1$ -collinear splitting functions

$$P_{ij,A}^{(slc)}(1,2) = \frac{2s_{ij}}{s_{i1} + s_{j1}} \frac{w_{ij}^{12} + \bar{w}_{ij}^{12}}{2} (\bar{C}_{ij} - C_A), \quad \bar{C}_{ij} = \begin{cases} 2C_F & \text{if } i \text{ \& } j \text{ quarks} \\ C_A & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

- ▶ Second soft emission off Wilson lines occurs with color charge factor C_A due to interference with octet

$$P_{ij,B}^{(slc)}(1,2) = \frac{2s_{i2}}{s_{i1} + s_{i2}} \frac{w_{ij}^{12} + \bar{w}_{ij}^{12}}{2} (C_A - \bar{C}_{ij})$$



- ▶ Combined effect on $i1$ -collinear matched splitting function

$$P_{ij}^{(slc)}(1,2) = (C_A - \bar{C}_{ij}) \left(\frac{2s_{i2}}{s_{i1} + s_{i2}} - \frac{2s_{ij}}{s_{i1} + s_{j1}} \right) \frac{w_{ij}^{12} + \bar{w}_{ij}^{12}}{2}$$

- ▶ Non-singular in $i1$ -collinear limit \rightarrow color charges of Wilson lines in soft-collinear limit are C_i and C_j , in agreement with DGLAP

Leading color fully differential soft evolution at NLO

[Dulat,Prestel,SH] arXiv:1805.03757

- ▶ Complete NLO-weighted LO splitting functions

$$(P_{qq})_i^k(1,2) = C_F \left(\frac{2 s_{i2}}{s_{i1} + s_{12}} \frac{w_{ik}^{12} + \bar{w}_{ik}^{12}}{2} \right) + P_{ik}^{(\text{slc})}(1,2)$$

$$(P_{gg})_{ij}(1,2) = C_A \left(\frac{2 s_{i2}}{s_{i1} + s_{12}} \frac{w_{ij}^{12} + \bar{w}_{ij}^{12}}{2} + w_{ij}^{12} \left(-1 + z(1-z) 2 \cos^2 \phi_{12}^{ij} \right) \right)$$

$$(P_{gq})_{ij}(1,2) = T_R w_{ij}^{12} \left(1 - 4z(1-z) \cos^2 \phi_{12}^{ij} \right)$$

- ▶ Calculation completed by subtracted real correction, virtuals and factorization counterterms
- ▶ Counterterms are endpoint contributions, as in collinear limit

$$\tilde{S}_{gq}^{(\text{cusp})} = \delta(s_{12}) \frac{2 s_{ij}}{s_{i12} s_{j12}} T_R \left[2z(1-z) + (1 - 2z(1-z)) \ln(z(1-z)) \right]$$

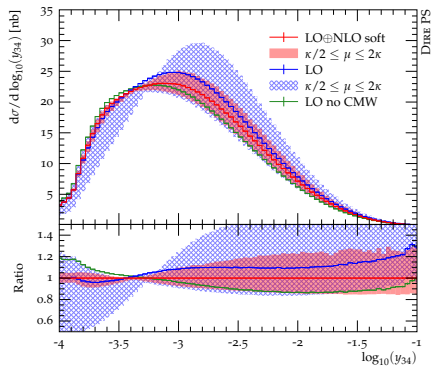
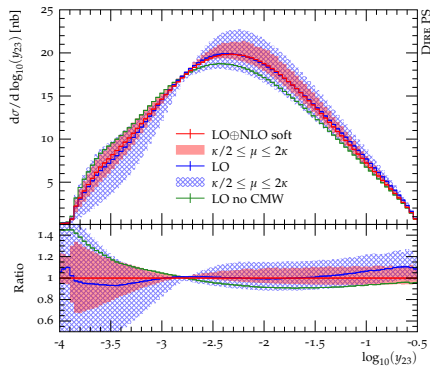
$$\tilde{S}_{gg}^{(\text{cusp})} = \delta(s_{12}) \frac{2 s_{ij}}{s_{i12} s_{j12}} 2C_A \left[\frac{\ln z}{1-z} + \frac{\ln(1-z)}{z} + (-2 + z(1-z)) \ln(z(1-z)) \right]$$

$$\tilde{S}_{wl}^{(\text{cusp})} = -\delta(s_{i1}) \frac{1}{2} \frac{C_A}{2} \frac{2 s_{ij}}{s_{i12} s_{j12}} \left(\frac{\ln z_i}{1-z_i} + \frac{\ln(1-z_i)}{z_i} \right) + (\text{swaps})$$

Sum integrates to CMW correction [Catani, Marchesini, Webber] NPB349(1991)635

Leading color fully differential soft evolution at NLO

[Dulat,Prestel,SH] arXiv:1805.03757



- ▶ Impact on $2 \rightarrow 3$ and $3 \rightarrow 4$ Durham jet rate at LEP I
- ▶ Uncertainty bands no longer just estimates but perturbative QCD predictions for the first time
- ▶ Fair agreement with CMW scheme

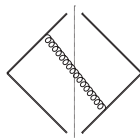
How to make parton showers more precise?
Part III: Beyond leading color

Parton-shower formalism at full color

[Reichelt,SH] arXiv:19mm.soon

- ▶ Evolution of matrix element in strongly ordered soft limit determined by

$$\mathbf{\Gamma}_n(\mathbf{\Gamma}) = - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^n \mathbf{T}_i \mathbf{\Gamma} \mathbf{T}_j w_{ij} , \quad w_{ij} = \frac{s_{ij}}{s_{iq} s_{jq}} \leftrightarrow$$



- ▶ Multiple soft insertions lead to $k + 1$ -gluon matrix element

$$\langle m_{n+k+1} | m_{n+k+1} \rangle = \langle M_n | \mathbf{\Gamma}_n(\mathbf{\Gamma}_{n+1}(\dots \mathbf{\Gamma}_{n+k+1}(\mathbf{\Gamma}_{n+k}(\mathbf{1}))\dots)) | M_n \rangle$$

- ▶ Differential radiation probability becomes



$$\frac{d\sigma_{n+k+1}}{\sigma_{n+k}} = d\Phi_{+1} 8\pi\alpha_s \frac{\langle m_{n+k} | \mathbf{\Gamma}_{n+k}(\mathbf{1}) | m_{n+k} \rangle}{\langle m_{n+k} | m_{n+k} \rangle} ,$$

- ▶ In general, this differs from the terms leading to the soft function in approaches like Caesar [Banfi,Salam,Zanderighi] hep-ph/0407286, but is identical for the global recursively IR safe observables considered there

Computation of color insertions

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


- ▶ An essential ingredient for the MC implementation is an algorithm to compute Γ that scales linearly with the number of gluons
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Coefficient	Analytic value / N_c	MC result / N_c
 = $F_{ab}^c \text{Tr} [T^a T^b T^c]$	$C_F \frac{C_A}{2}$	1.9998(2)
 = $\text{Tr} [T^a T^b T^a T^b]$	$-C_F \left(\frac{C_A}{2} - C_F \right)$	-0.2221(1)









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 $= F_{ae}^d F_{eb}^c \text{Tr} [T^a T^b T^c T^d]$	$C_F \left(\frac{C_A}{2} \right)^2$	2.9995(4)
 $= F_{bc}^d \text{Tr} [T^a T^b T^a T^c T^d]$	$-C_F \frac{C_A}{2} \left(\frac{C_A}{2} - C_F \right)$	-0.3332(3)
 $= \text{Tr} [T^a T^b T^c T^a T^b T^c]$	$C_F \left(\frac{C_A}{2} - C_F \right) (C_A - C_F)$	0.3701(1)

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	$C_F \left(\frac{C_A}{2} \right)^3$	4.4996(8)
	$C_F \left(\frac{C_A}{2} \right)^3 \left(1 + \frac{2}{N_c^2} \right)$	5.499(1)
	$-C_F \left(\frac{C_A}{2} \right)^2 \left(\frac{C_A}{2} - C_F \right)$	-0.5001(5)
	$-C_F \left(\frac{C_A}{2} \right)^2 \left(\frac{C_A}{2} - C_F - \frac{C_A}{N_c^2} \right)$	0.5007(4)
	$C_F \frac{C_A}{2} \left(\frac{C_A}{2} - C_F \right) (C_A - C_F)$	0.5556(2)
	$C_F \frac{C_A}{2} \left(\left(\frac{C_A}{2} - C_F \right) (C_A - C_F) - \frac{C_A^2}{2N_c^2} \right)$	-0.4446(2)
	$C_F \frac{C_A}{2} \left(\frac{C_A}{2} - C_F \right)^2$	0.0558(3)
	$-C_F \left(\left(\frac{C_A}{2} - C_F \right) (C_A - C_F) \left(\frac{3}{2} C_A - C_F \right) - \frac{C_A^3}{4N_c^2} \right)$	-0.1729(1)

Rearrangement of antenna functions

[Reichelt,SH] arXiv:19mm.soon

- ▶ Another essential ingredient for the MC implementation is an efficient organization of the splitting functions
- ▶ Can borrow from the computation of the double-soft function

[Dulat,Prestel,SH] arXiv:1805.03757

$$\Gamma_n(\Gamma) = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^n \left(\mathbf{T}_i \Gamma \mathbf{T}_i P_j^i + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq i,j}}^n \left(\mathbf{T}_i \Gamma \mathbf{T}_k + \mathbf{T}_k \Gamma \mathbf{T}_i \right) \tilde{P}_{jk}^i \right)$$

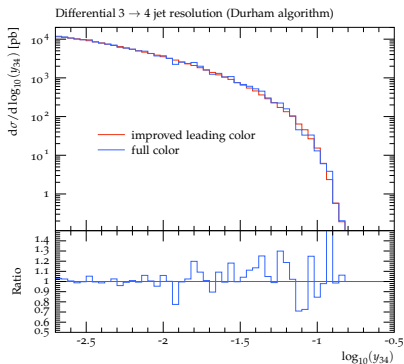
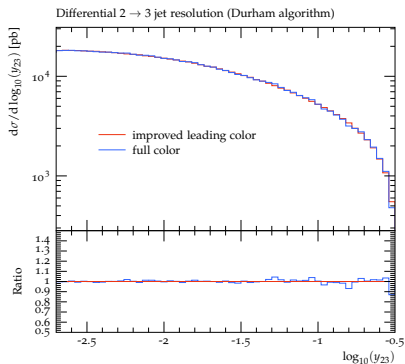
where

$$P_j^i = \frac{1}{s_{iq}} \frac{2 s_{ij}}{s_{iq} + s_{jq}}, \quad \tilde{P}_{jk}^i = P_j^i - P_k^i$$

- ▶ \tilde{P}_{jk}^i tends to zero in the iq -collinear limit
→ sub-leading color corrections kinematically suppressed

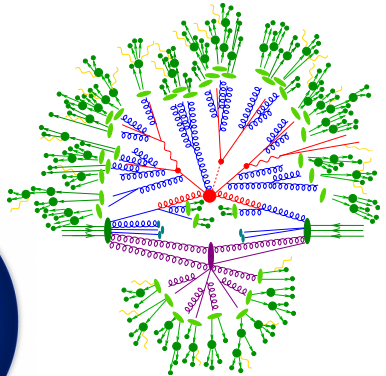
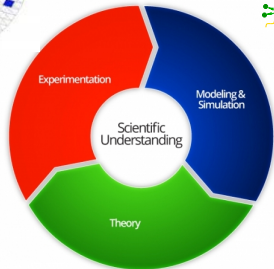
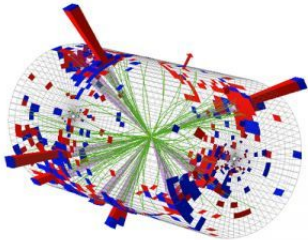
Towards full color evolution

- ▶ Example: Durham k_T -jet rates at LEP (91.2 GeV)
- ▶ These plots were generated with 32h worth of CPU time



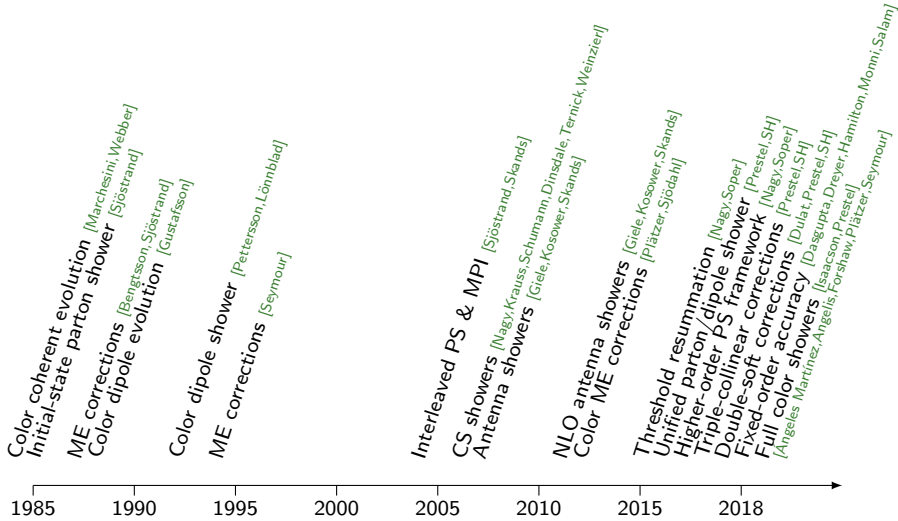
Towards precision event simulation

Event generators in the bigger picture



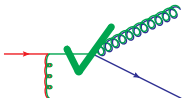
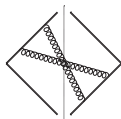
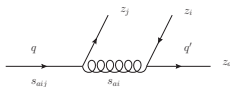
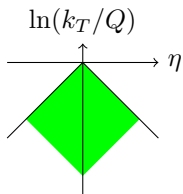
$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + i\bar{\Psi}\not{D}\Psi + h.c.$$

Some history of parton-showers (personal view)



Assembling the pieces into precision tools

- ▶ Relation to analytic resummation understood agreement can be restored by eliminating momentum & probability conservation in PS
- ▶ NLO corrections to collinear and soft evolution to be included in fully exclusive simulation
- ▶ Angular ordering approximation to coherence to be replaced by color dipole picture combined with full-color evolution



Summary & Outlook

Parton shower algorithms

- ▶ Crucial ingredient to full event simulation
- ▶ Essential to getting jet shapes right, thus feeding into event shapes, acceptances, subjet multiplicity & structure
- ▶ Many technical and formal improvements over past years renewed interest in dipole formulation and improvements thereof
- ▶ Parton showers undergoing similar transformation right now as fixed-order calculations two decades ago → 2nd NLO revolution

Parton shower resummation

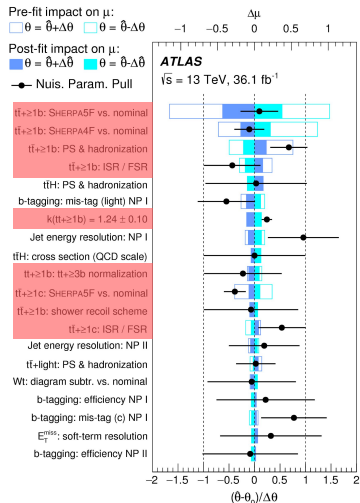
- ▶ (Dis-)agreement with analytic approaches worked out in simple cases
- ▶ Vibrant discussion of formal accuracy of parton showers spurred by experimental needs and theoretical interest
- ▶ Many open questions, but much progress recently

Thank you for your attention

Status of $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$

- ▶ ATLAS and CMS $t\bar{t}H(b\bar{b})$ analyses rely on MC modelling for irreducible $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ BG
- ▶ Largest sources of uncertainty on extracted signal strength related to $t\bar{t}$ +HF modeling!
- ▶ What can be improved?
 - ▶ ATLAS & CMS: relied on NLO+PS $t\bar{t}$ so far! More accurate theory with NLO $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ used only to reweight HF fractions (ATLAS) or cross-checks (CMS)
 - ▶ Theory: Large perturbative $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ uncertainties even increased by NLO+PS algorithms
 - ▶ Both: More rigorous combination of inclusive $t\bar{t}$ +jets and $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ predictions.

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Status of $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$

Traditional MC simulation approaches to $t\bar{t}$ +HF

► Five-flavor scheme:

- “Inclusive” NLO+PS $t\bar{t}$ sample with HF from parton shower $g \rightarrow b\bar{b}$
- Multi-leg merged $t\bar{t}$ +jets sample with HF from higher-order MEs (hard b) or parton shower $g \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ (soft/coll b)

Surprising feature:

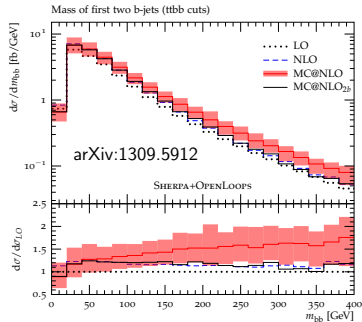
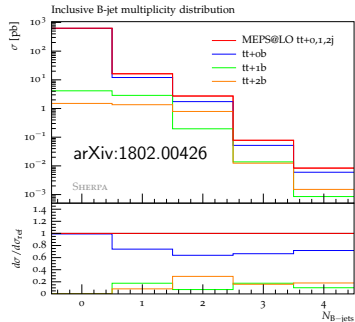
- Jet production described by hard MEs, but b-jets not always from b-MEs!
- soft/collinear $g \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ from PS can transform light jets into b-jets

► Four-flavor scheme:

- NLO+PS $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ using matrix elements with massive b-quarks

Surprising feature:

- Secondary $b\bar{b}$ from $g \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ in PS can convert light jet into b-jet
→ even interpretation changes



Status of $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$

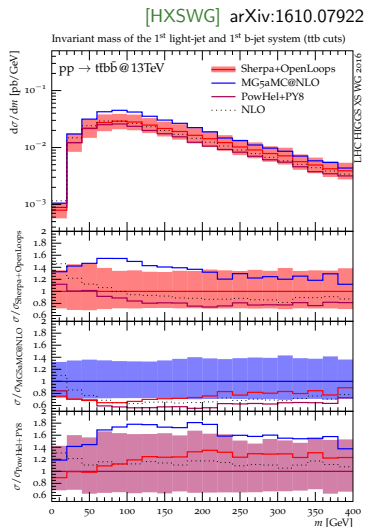
- ▶ Several tools on the market
 - ▶ Sherpa + OpenLoops
Cascioli, Maierhöfer, Moretti, Pozzorini, Siegert arXiv:1309.5912
 - ▶ PowHel + Pythia/Herwig
[Bevilacqua, Garzelli, Kardos] arXiv:1709.06915
 - ▶ PowhegBox + OpenLoops + Pythia/Herwig [Jezo, Lindert, Moretti, Pozzorini] arXiv:1802.00426
 - ▶ MG5_aMC + Pythia/Herwig
 - ▶ Herwig7 + OpenLoops

- ▶ History of out-of-the-box comparisons:
 - ▶ Large discrepancies
 - ▶ Due in part to pQCD uncertainties
 - ▶ But also beyond: Parton Shower, NLO+PS matching algorithm

- ▶ Ongoing: Tuned comparison
- ▶ Fixed-order studies of $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}j$ at NLO show

stabilization of K -factor for $\mu_R = (E_{T,t}E_{T,\bar{t}}E_{T,b}E_{T,\bar{b}})^{1/4}$

→ New benchmark for NLO+PS programs! [Buccioni, Pozzorini, Zoller '19]



Matching $X+jets$ & $Xb\bar{b}$

► Interpret $Xb\bar{b}$ as part of Xjj

1. Cluster to obtain parton shower history
2. Apply $\alpha_s(\mu_R^2) \rightarrow \alpha_s(p_T^2)$ reweighting
3. Apply Sudakov factors $\Delta(t, t')$ (trial showers)

[Krause,Siegert,SH] arXiv:1904.09382

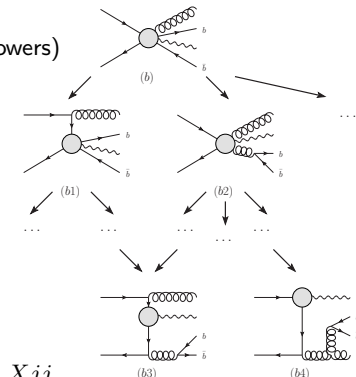
► Remove double-counting

1. Cluster PS-level event using inverse PS
2. Look at leading two emissions
 - Heavy Flavour \rightarrow keep from $Xb\bar{b}$ (“direct component”)
 - Light Flavour \rightarrow keep from $X+jets$ (“fragmentation component”)
 - Subleading $g \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ splittings not from $Xb\bar{b}$ ME, but $X4j$ ME+PS

► Match 5F \rightarrow 4F in PDFs and α_s

1. Use 5F PDF / α_s to be consistent with Xjj
2. Use matching coefficients to correct to 4F scheme

[Buza,Matiounine,Smith,van Neerven] hep-ph/9612398,



[Forte,Napoletano,Ubiali] arXiv:1607.00389

\rightarrow Coefficients up to (N)LL generated by (N)LO parton shower!

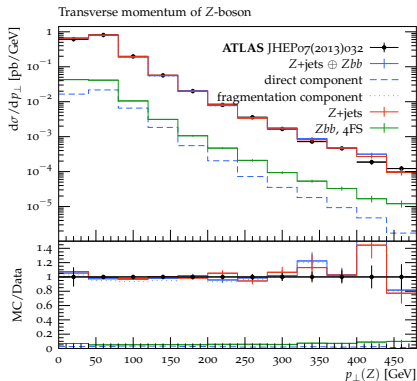
3. Reweighting needed only for α_s in hard ME

Can be applied to LO and NLO merging!

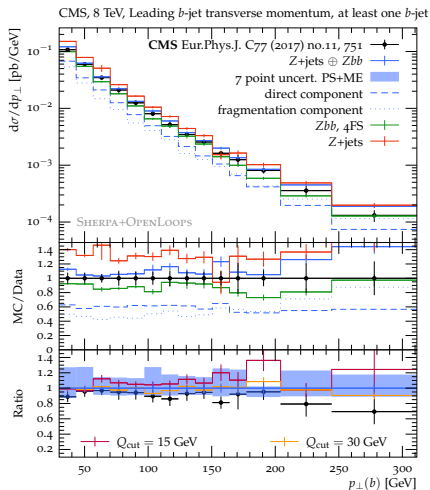
Example: $Z+\text{jets}$ & $Zb\bar{b}$

► Validation with LHC data

[Krause,Siegert,SH] arXiv:1904.09382



	Data [pb]	Fusing [pb]	
$Z+ \geq 1b$	$3.55 \pm 0.24_{\text{comb}}$	$3.80(5) \pm 0.33$	0.83
$Z+ \geq 2b$	$0.331 \pm 0.037_{\text{comb}}$	$0.282(4) \pm 0.027$	0.022



Matching $t\bar{t}+jets$ & $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$

[Katzy,Krause,Pollard,Siegert] in preparation

- ▶ Combination of $t\bar{t}+0,1j@NLO+2,3j@LO$ and massive $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}@NLO$
- ▶ 2-bjet production dominated by direct component, but 1-bjet observables with equal contributions from direct and fragmentation configurations!

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