Introduction to Parton Shower

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Outline

1. **Monte Carlo Event generator**
2. **Parton Shower**
3. **Matching and merging**
4. **Summary**

Focus on Theory side of parton showers

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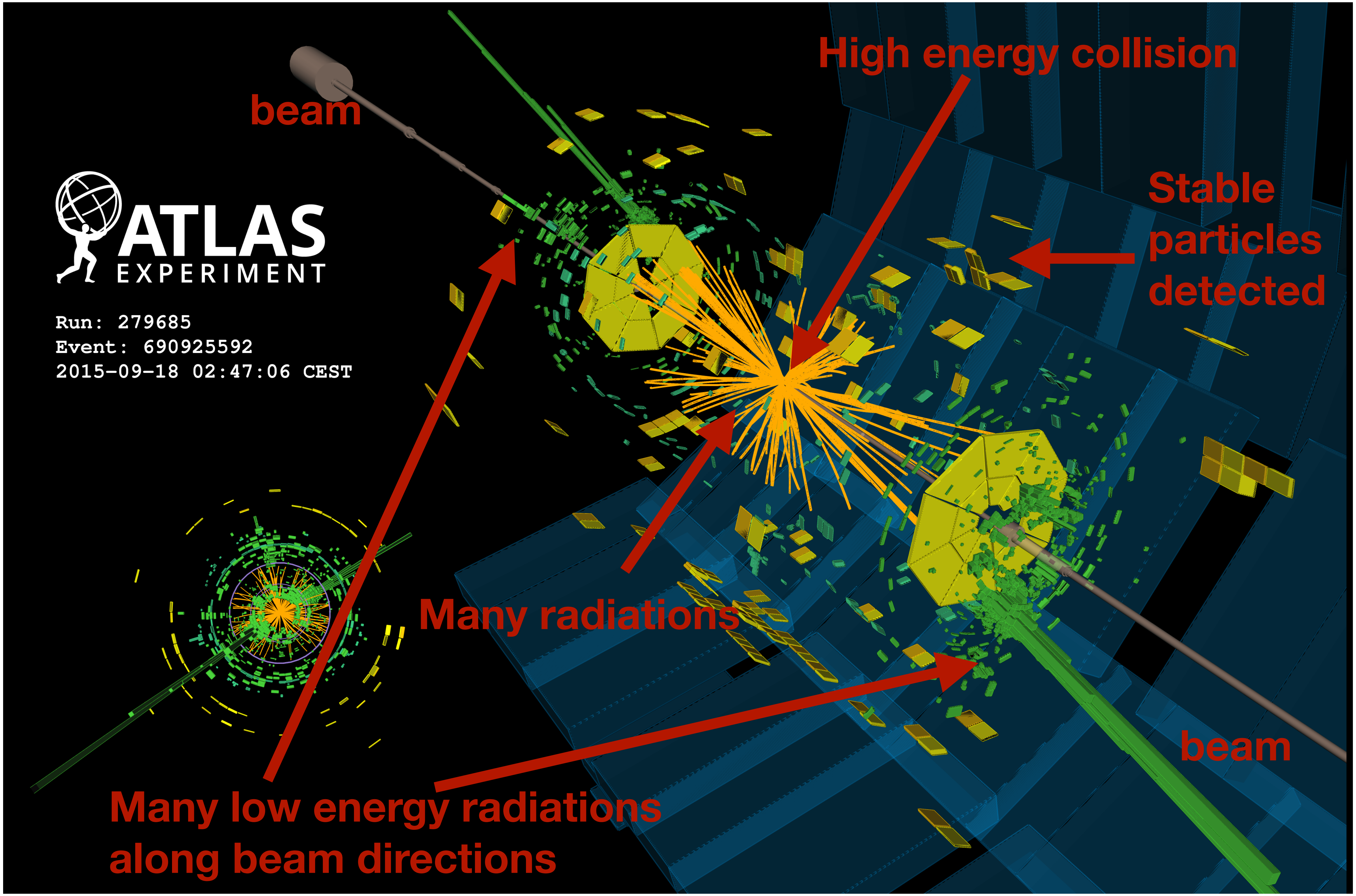


1. Monte Carlo Event generator

The purpose of Monte Carlo event generators is to generate events in as much details as nature (generate average and fluctuation right)

$$\mathscr{P}_{\rm event} = \mathscr{P}_{\rm Hard} \otimes \mathscr{P}_{\rm Decay} \otimes \mathscr{P}_{\rm ISR} \otimes \mathscr{P}_{\rm FSR} \otimes \mathscr{P}_{\rm MPI} \otimes \mathscr{P}_{\rm Had} \cdots$$

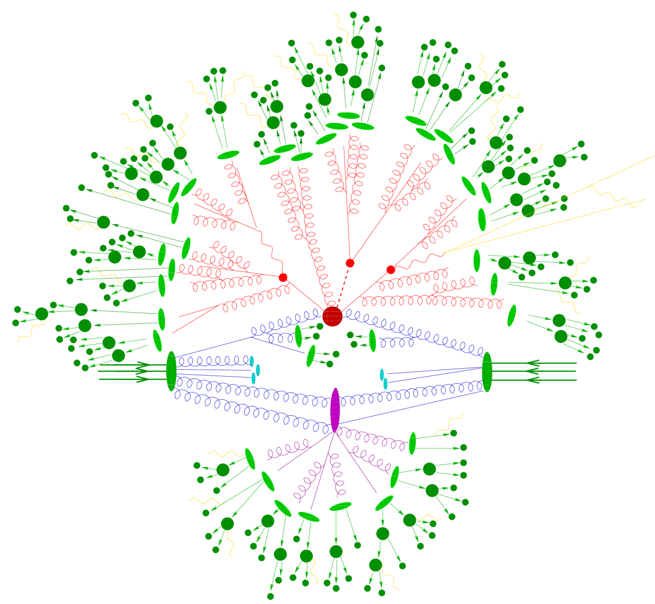
- ☐ **Hard process in high energy**
- ☐ **Transition from high energy to low energy —parton shower**
- ☐ **Low energy soft regime —fragmentation**

hard scale

Parton shower

hadronization scale

Fragmentation



stable particles: hadrons or their decay products

Parton shower: a model for the evolution from high scale to hadronization scale

The same physics as resummation

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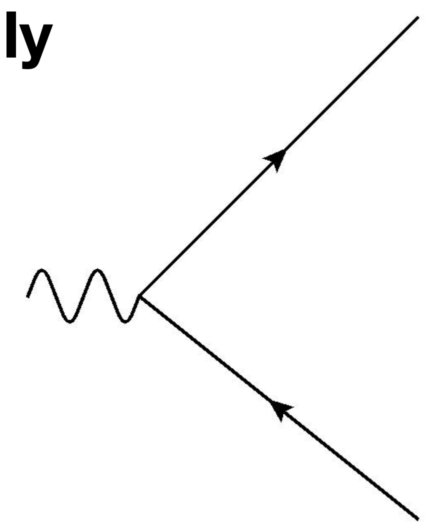

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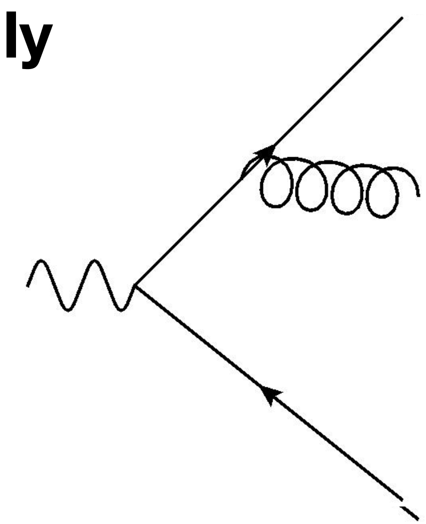

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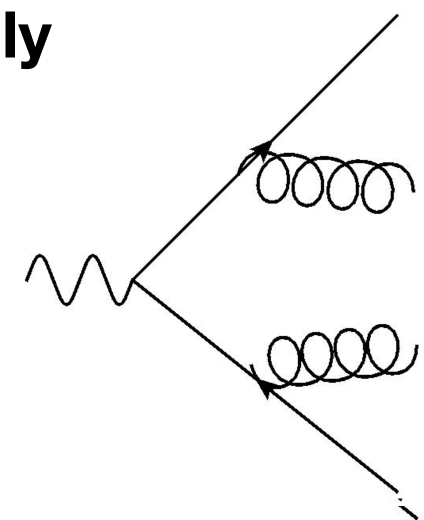

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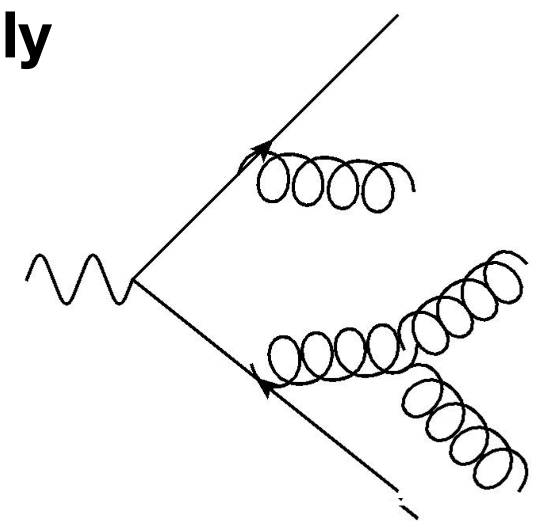

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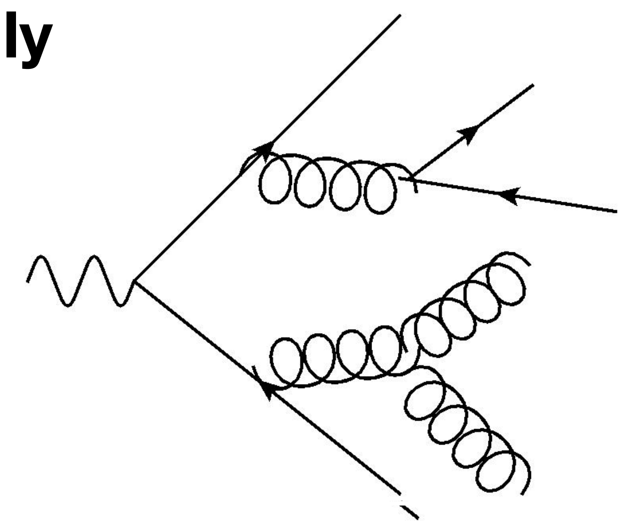

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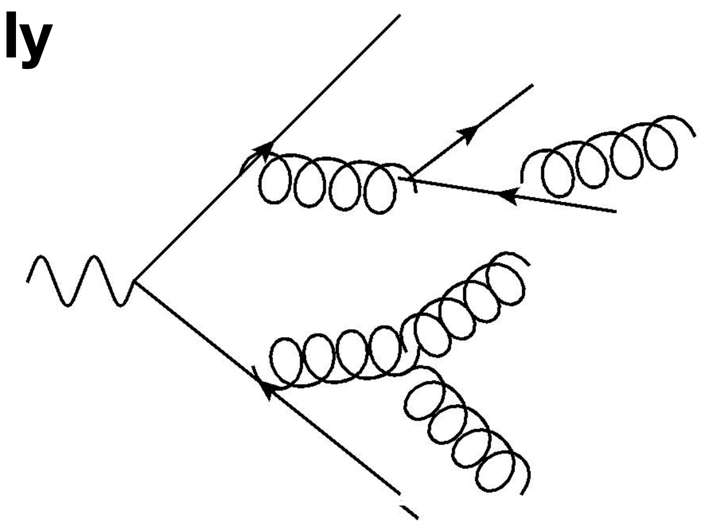

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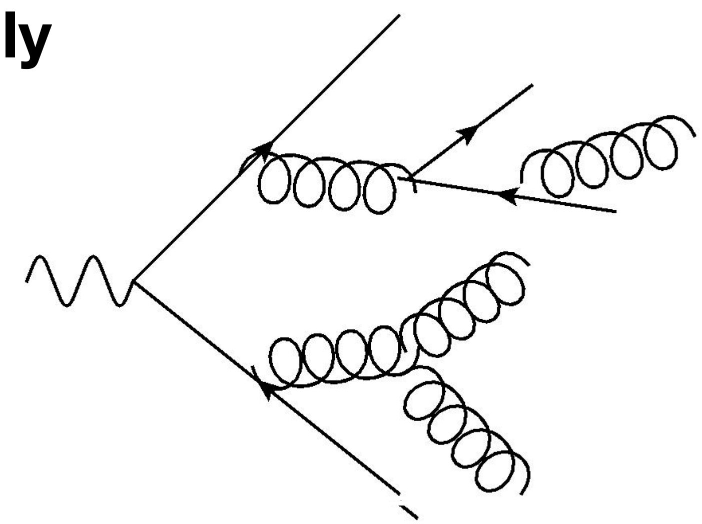

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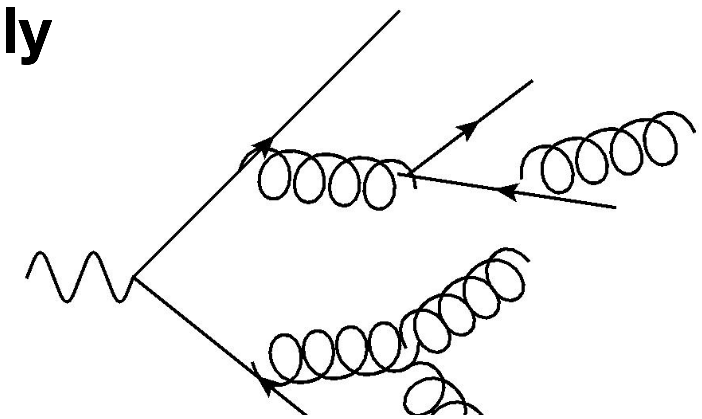

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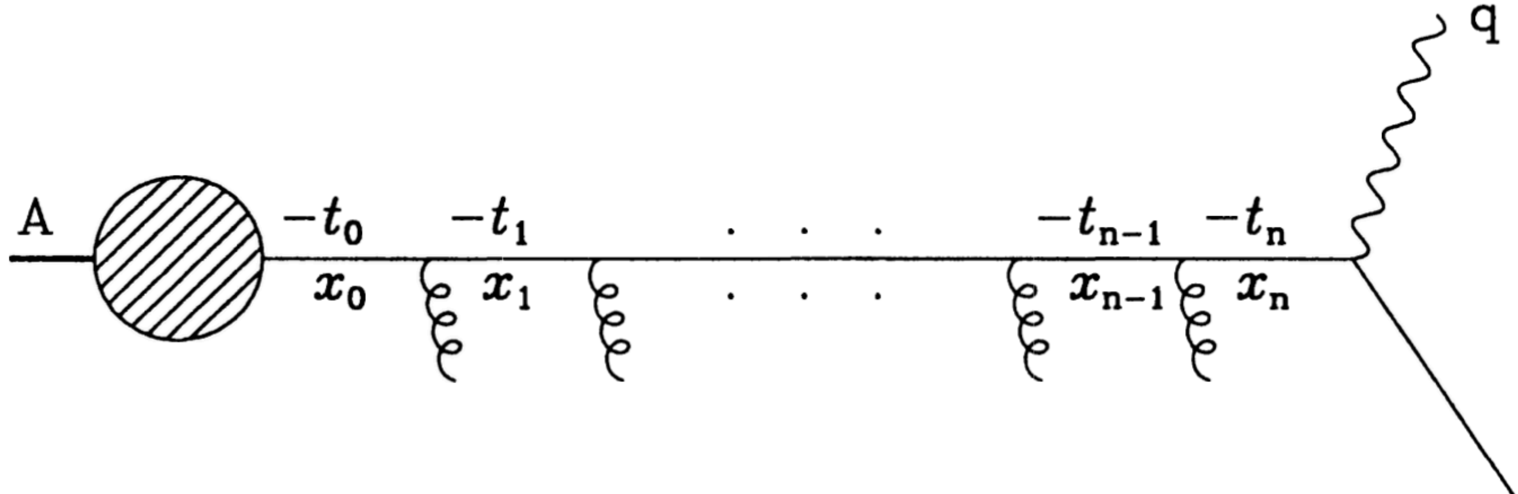

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2. Parton Shower

Collinear radiations

Before talking about parton shower, let's take a look at NLO $e^+e^- \to q\bar{q}$

$$d\sigma_{q\bar{q}g} \approx \sigma_{q\bar{q}} \times \sum_{\mathrm{q},\bar{\mathrm{q}}} C_F \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \frac{d\theta^2}{\theta^2} \, dz \, \frac{1+(1-z)^2}{z}$$

In the collinear limit, it turns to independent emission distribution for each parton

$$|M(\cdots, p_i, p_j, \cdots)|^2 \overset{i||j}{\to} g_s^2 \mathscr{C} \frac{P(z)}{s_{ij}} |M(\cdots, p_i + p_j, \cdots)|^2$$

From any hard process , the real correction in the collinear limits

$$d\sigma \approx \sigma_0 \times \sum_{\mathrm{partons,i}} C_F \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \frac{d\theta^2}{\theta^2} \, dz P_{ji}(z, \phi) d\phi$$

The DGLAP splitting function P_{ji} is universal. After spin averaging, they are

$$P_{qq}(z) = C_F \frac{1+z^2}{1-z}, \qquad P_{gq}(z) = C_F \frac{1+(1-z)^2}{z}$$
$$P_{gg}(z) = C_A \frac{z^4+1+(1-z)^4}{z(1-z)}, \quad P_{qg}(z) = T_R \left(z^2 + (1-z)^2\right)$$

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Soft gluon emission: Coherent branching

- **interference between gluon emission off partons i and j**

$$d\sigma_{n+1} = d\sigma_n \frac{d\omega}{\omega}\frac{d\Omega}{2\pi}\frac{\alpha_S}{2\pi}\sum_{i,j} C_{ij}W_{ij}$$

$$W_{ij} = \frac{\omega^2 p_i \cdot p_j}{p_i \cdot q p_j \cdot q} = \frac{1-\cos\theta_{ij}}{\left(1-\cos\theta_{iq}\right)\left(1-\cos\theta_{jq}\right)}$$

- **partition soft radiations in to i and j collinear sector**

$$W_{ij}^{[i]} = \frac{1}{2}\left(W_{ij} + \frac{1}{1-\cos\theta_{iq}} - \frac{1}{1-\cos\theta_{jq}}\right)$$

- **integrating over the azimuthal angle,**

$$\int_0^{2\pi}\frac{d\phi_{iq}}{2\pi}W_{ij}^{[i]} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{1-\cos\theta_{iq}} & \text{if } \theta_{iq} < \theta_{ij} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

leads to angular-ordered parton showers

Soft gluon effects can be correctly taken into account by a collinear patron shower algorithm by angular ordering, dipole showers with transverse momentum ordering.

Parton showers, such as VINCIA, DIRE, are coherent by construction.

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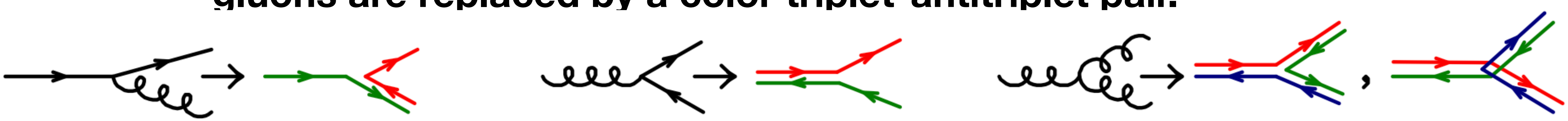
Leading color

Full color coherence

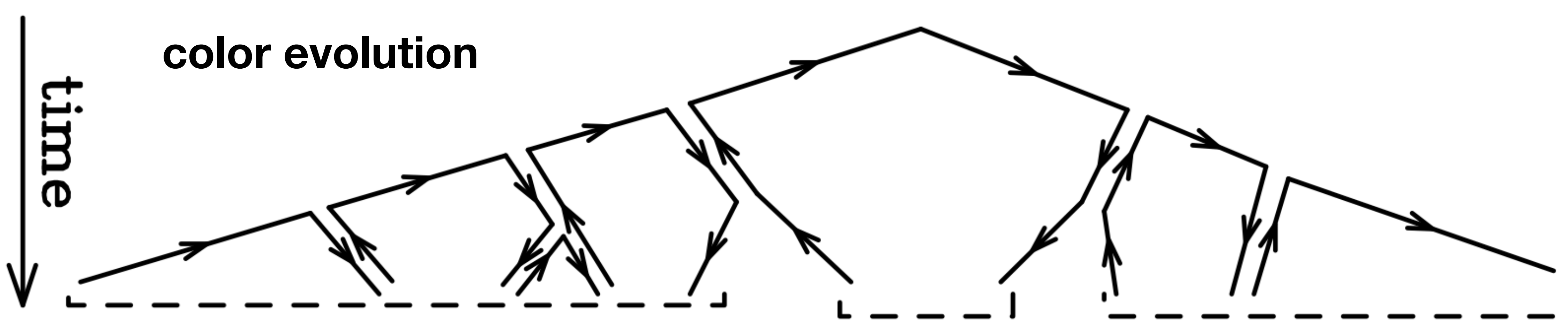
Negative subleasing color could lead to non-probabilistic Sudakov factors

More common solution: Leading Color Approximation: Dipole Shower

gluons are replaced by a color triplet-antitriplet pair.



QCD radiation in this approximation is always simulated as the radiation from a single color dipole, rather than a coherent sum from a color multipole.



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Sudakov form factor: Non-branching probability

Probability for generating a branching from parton i between the scale q^2 to $q^2 + dq^2$

$$\mathrm{d}\mathscr{P}_i = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi}\frac{\mathrm{d}q^2}{q^2}\int_{Q_0^2/q^2}^{1-Q_0^2/q^2} \mathrm{d}z P_{ji}(z)$$

The probability that there are no branching from Q to q is $\Delta_i\left(Q^2, q^2\right)$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\Delta_i\left(Q^2,q^2\right)}{\mathrm{d}q^2} = \boxed{\Delta_i\left(Q^2,q^2\right)}\boxed{\frac{\mathrm{d}\mathscr{P}_i}{\mathrm{d}q^2}}$$

branching probability at q

no radiation above q

The solution is $\Delta_i\left(Q^2,q^2\right) = \exp\left\{\int_{q^2}^{Q^2}\frac{\mathrm{d}k^2}{k^2}\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi}\int_{Q_0^2/k^2}^{1-Q_0^2/k^2}\mathrm{d}z P_{ji}(z)\right\}$ **Q_0 is the cutoff scale**

The building block to iterative attach additional partons to a hard process

many choices for the evolution variables

$$\frac{d\theta^2}{\theta^2} = \frac{dq^2}{q^2} = \frac{dk_\perp^2}{k_\perp^2}$$

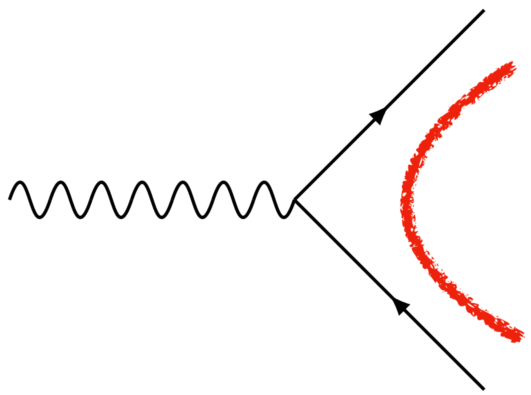
angular **virtuality** **transverse momentum**

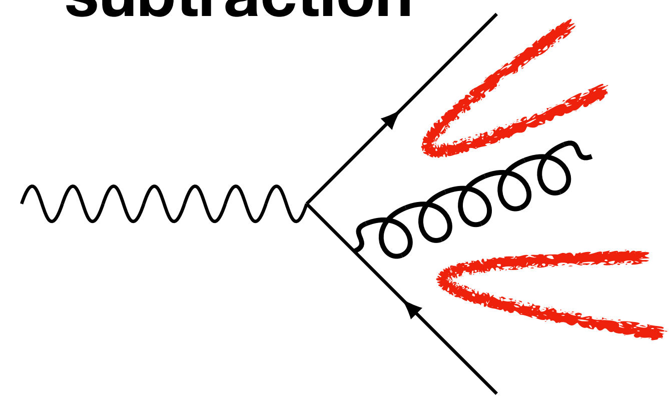
2. Parton Shower

NLO cross section

$$\sigma_{\rm NLO} = \sigma_0 + \left(\int d\Phi_n V + \int d\Phi_{n+1} S \right) \mathcal{O}_n + \int d\Phi_{n+1} (R\mathcal{O}_{n+1} - S\mathcal{O}_n)$$

virtual **integrated subtraction** **subtracted real**





From parton shower

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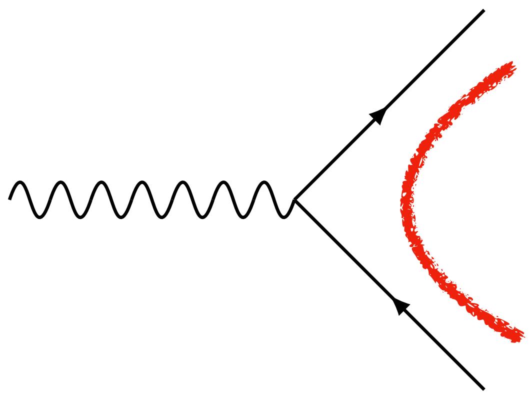

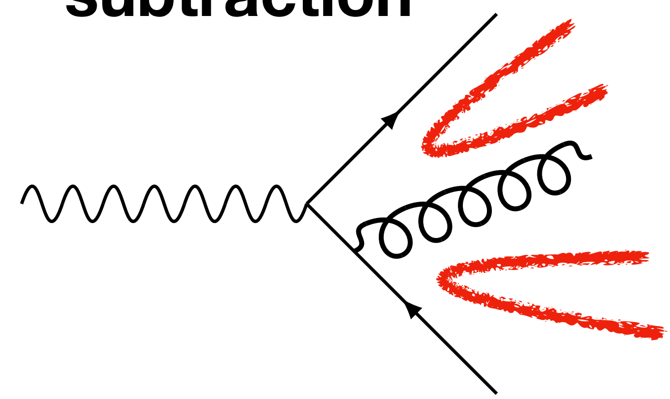

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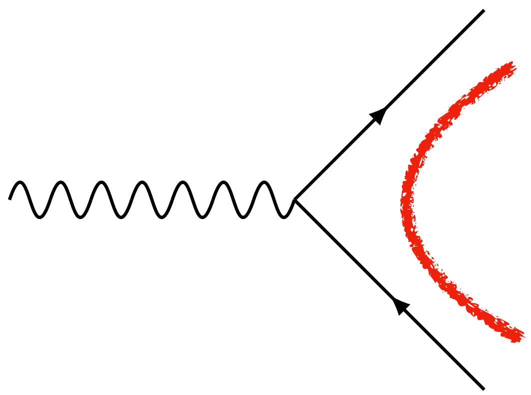

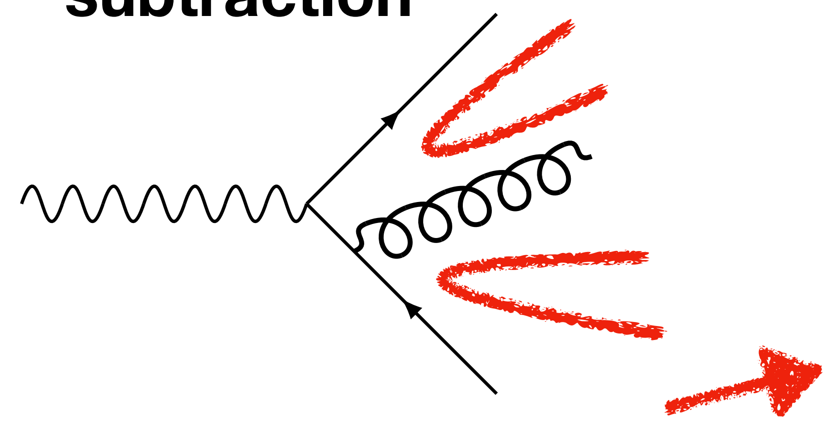

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From the definition of Sudakov factor, we have $\mathcal{P}(\text{unresolved}) + \mathcal{P}(\text{resolved}) = 1$

probability conservation from the definition of Δ

LO parton showers reproduce the NLO singular behavior of the underlying hard process with unitarity assumption $V + \int R = 0$.

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Monte-Carlo Methods:

Generating the new scale Q by solving $\Delta(Q_0^2, Q^2) = R$ $\quad \int_{z_{\min}}^{\bar{z}} dz P(z) = R \int_{z_{\min}}^{z_{\max}} dz P(z)$

with a uniform random number $R \in [0,1]$

If $\Delta(Q_0^2, Q^2) = R$ can not be solved, veto algorithm is used in parton shower

To simplify the notation

$$\mathscr{P}_1(t, t') = f(t) \exp\left\{-\int_t^{t'} \mathrm{d}\bar{t} f(\bar{t})\right\} = \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t} \exp\left\{-\int_t^{t'} \mathrm{d}\bar{t} f(\bar{t})\right\} \qquad F(t) = \int^t \mathrm{d}t f(t)$$

a new scale t determined by $\quad t = F^{-1}\left[F(t') + \log R\right]$

We could find a simple function $g(x) > f(x)$ with a known $G(x)$

Generating a new scale $t = G^{-1}(G(t') + \log R)$

Accept the new scale with probability $\dfrac{f(x)}{g(x)}$

Veto algorithm

$G(x)$ may also overestimate the phase space. Then, phase space veto is required.

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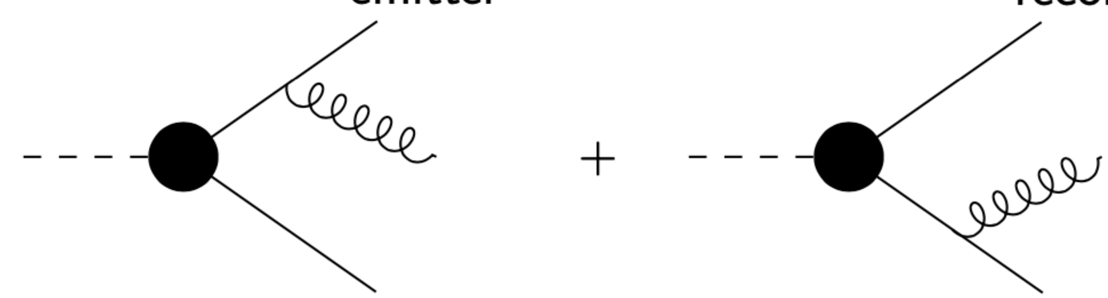
Phase-space mapping

To generate a new radiation, we need to construct three on-shell momenta from two

DGLAP/dipole kinematics distinguish emitter/recoiler:

recoiling by color connected particles



emitter recoiler

For branching process $\tilde{ij} + \tilde{k} \to i + j + k$, with i and j collinear

$$p_i^\mu = z\tilde{p}_{ij}^\mu + (1-z)\frac{p_{ij}^2 p_{\tilde{k}}^\mu}{2\tilde{p}_{ij}\cdot\tilde{p}_k} + k_\perp^\mu$$

$$p_j^\mu = (1-z)\tilde{p}_{ij}^\mu + z\frac{p_{ij}^2 p_{\tilde{k}}^\mu}{2\tilde{p}_{ij}\cdot\tilde{p}_k} - k_\perp^\mu$$

$$p_k^\mu = \left(1 - \frac{p_{ij}^2}{2\tilde{p}_{ij}\cdot\tilde{p}_k}\right)p_{\tilde{k}}^\mu$$

Using Monte Carlo method, z and $k_\perp$ can be generated by the Sudakov factor

p_{ij}^2 **can be calculated from on-shell conditions**

$$p_{ij}^2 = \frac{k_\perp^2}{z(1-z)}$$

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antenna shower: VINCIA

making use of the antenna functions proposed in antenna subtractions

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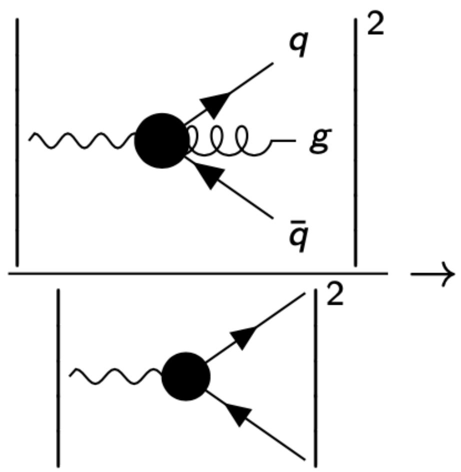
2 to 3 phase space mapping

LO antenna function

include the correct collinear and soft singularities



$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} \underbrace{\frac{P_{q\mapsto qg}(z_q)}{s_{qg}}}_{q\text{-collinear}} + \underbrace{\frac{P_{\bar{q}\mapsto \bar{q}g}(z_{\bar{q}})}{s_{g\bar{q}}}}_{\bar{q}\text{-collinear}} & \text{DGLAP} \\ \underbrace{\frac{K_{q\mapsto qg;\bar{q}}(z_q)}{s_{qg}}}_{q\text{-(soft-)collinear}} + \underbrace{\frac{K_{\bar{q}\mapsto \bar{q}g;q}(z_{\bar{q}})}{s_{g\bar{q}}}}_{\bar{q}\text{-(soft-)collinear}} & \text{CS Dipoles} \\ \underbrace{\frac{2s_{q\bar{q}}}{s_{qg}s_{g\bar{q}}}}_{\text{soft}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{s}\left(\frac{s_{g\bar{q}}}{s_{qg}} + \frac{s_{qg}}{s_{g\bar{q}}}\right)}_{\text{collinear}} & \text{Antennae} \end{cases}$$

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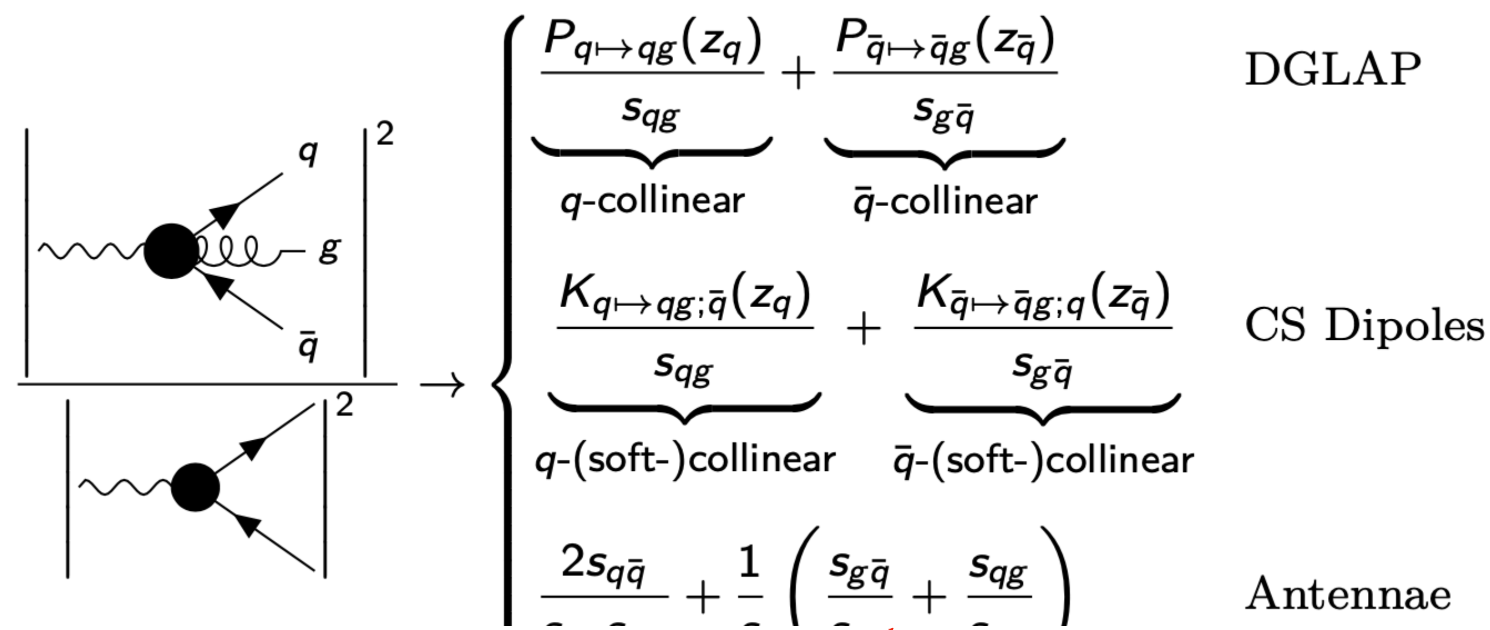

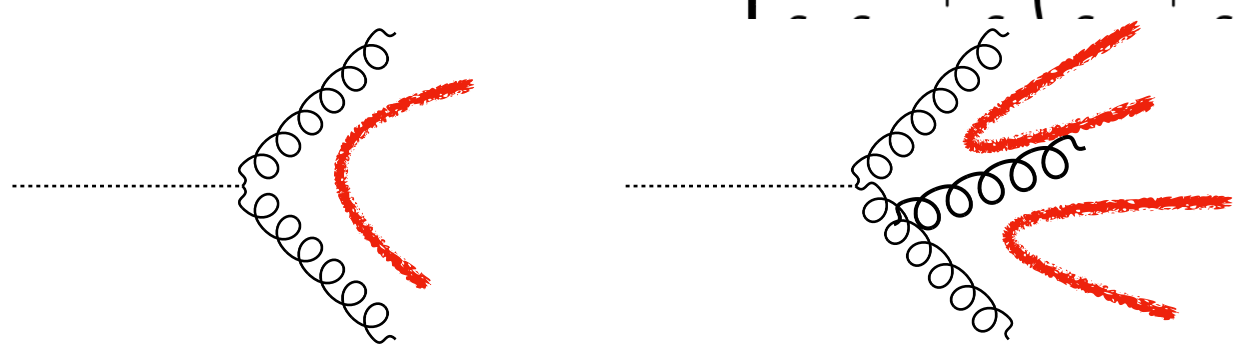

gluon antenna functions: singularities are shared with neighboring dipole

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antenna sector shower: VINCIA

Brooks, Pauss, Skands, 2020

for $g_{\tilde{i}} + g_{\tilde{j}} \to g_i + g_j + g_k$

$$p^2_{T,ijk} = \frac{s_{ij}s_{jk}}{s_{ijk}} = s_{ijk}y_{ij}y_{jk}$$

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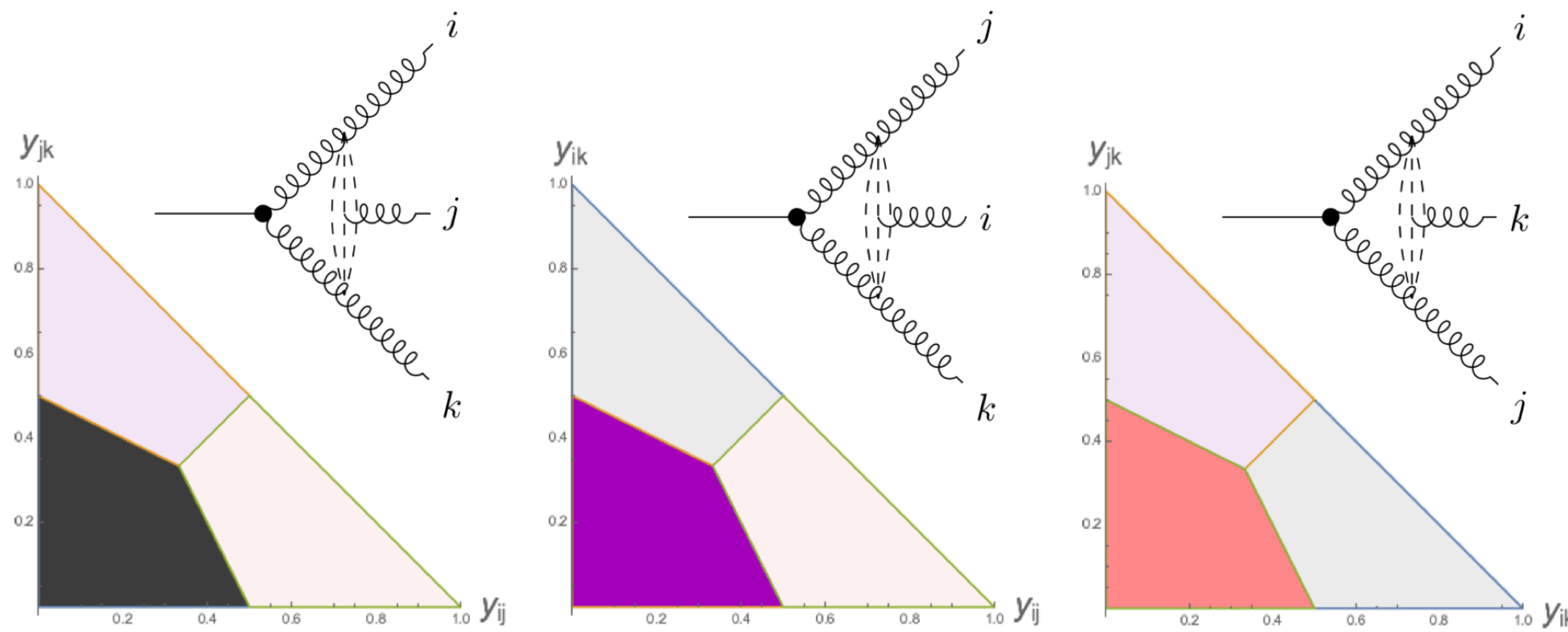


- **Sector defined by the configuration with smallest scale in the event**
  - **Sector Antenna include full soft singularity**
  - **Haft of the collinear singularity for shared sector**
  - **No trivial sector boundary for non-singular contribution**

- **Branchings in the shower are accepted if and only if they correspond**
- **Showering Path Predictable for a given event**

We expect that for sector shower, it is relatively easier to include NLO corrections

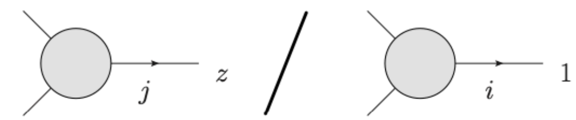
2. Parton Shower

NLO DGLAP shower

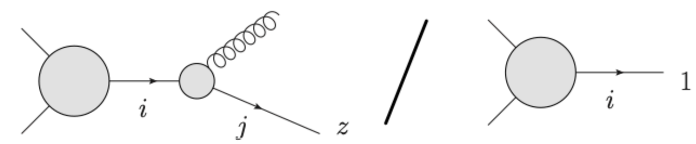
Prestel, Hoche, 2017

A direct approach: higher-order DGLAP kernels

$$D^{(0)}_{ji}(z,\mu) = \delta_{ij}\delta(1-z) \qquad \leftrightarrow$$



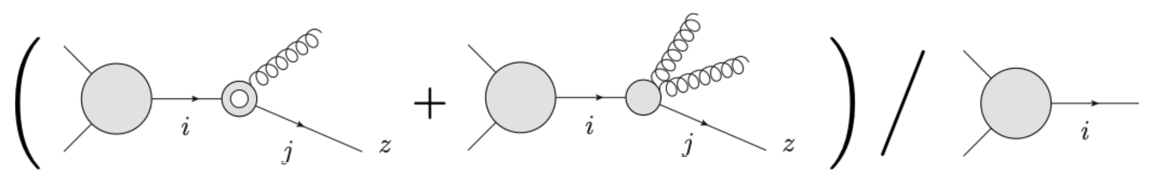
$$D^{(1)}_{ji}(z,\mu) = -\frac{1}{\varepsilon}P^{(0)}_{ji}(z) \qquad \leftrightarrow$$



LO shower, $1 \to 2$

$$D^{(2)}_{ji}(z,\mu) = -\frac{1}{2\varepsilon}P^{(1)}_{ji}(z) + \frac{\beta_0}{4\varepsilon^2}P^{(0)}_{ji}(z) + \frac{1}{2\varepsilon^2}\int_z^1 \frac{\mathrm{d}x}{x}P^{(0)}_{jk}(x)P^{(0)}_{ki}(z/x)$$

$\leftrightarrow$



NLO shower, $1 \to 2$ and $1 \to 3$

Prerequisite for NNLL accuracy in an observable-independent way

Dulat, Prestel, Hoche, 2018

Leading-color fully differential two-loop soft corrections to dipole shower was derived

The two-loop cusp anomalous dimension is recovered naturally upon integration over the full phase space.

2. Parton Shower

antenna NLO shower: VINCIA

HTL, Skands, 2017

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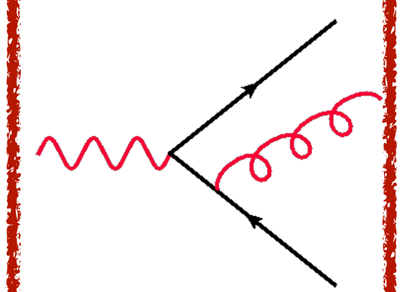
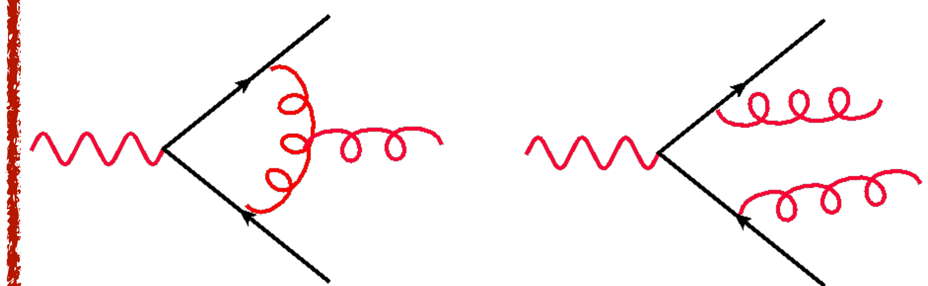


LO matrix element

3 parton final state



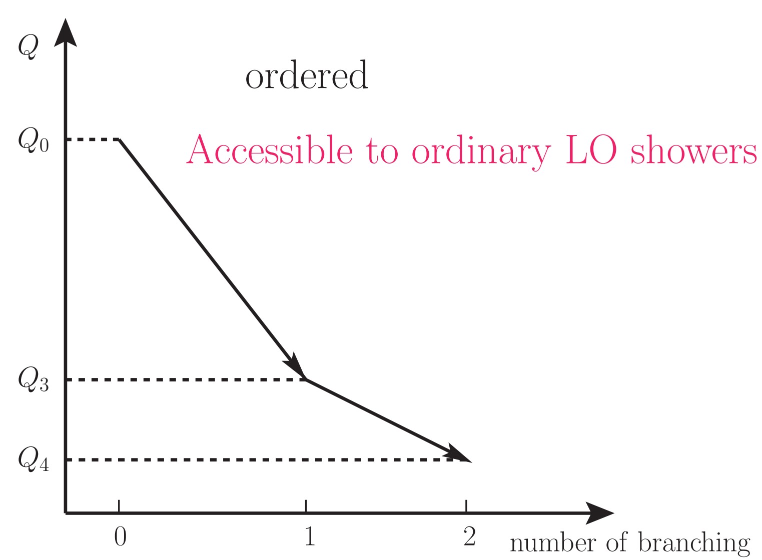
NLO corrections

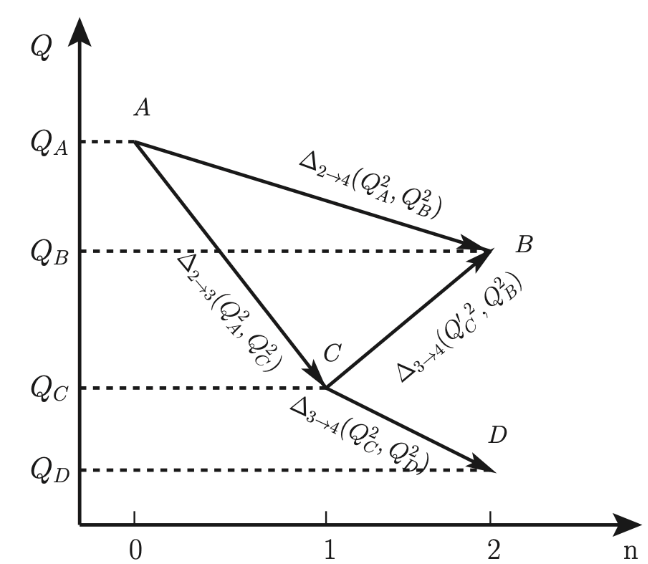
3+4 parton final state

In order to fully cover the phase space and reproduce the singularity at NNLO level, we need to have $2 \to 3$ and $2 \to 4$ showers

$$\Delta(Q_0^2, Q^2) = \Delta_{2\to3}(Q_0^2, Q^2)\Delta_{2\to4}(Q_0^2, Q^2)$$

The first question is how to separate the 3-parton resolved and 4-parton resolved states





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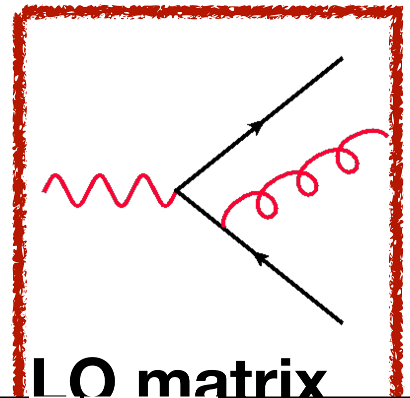

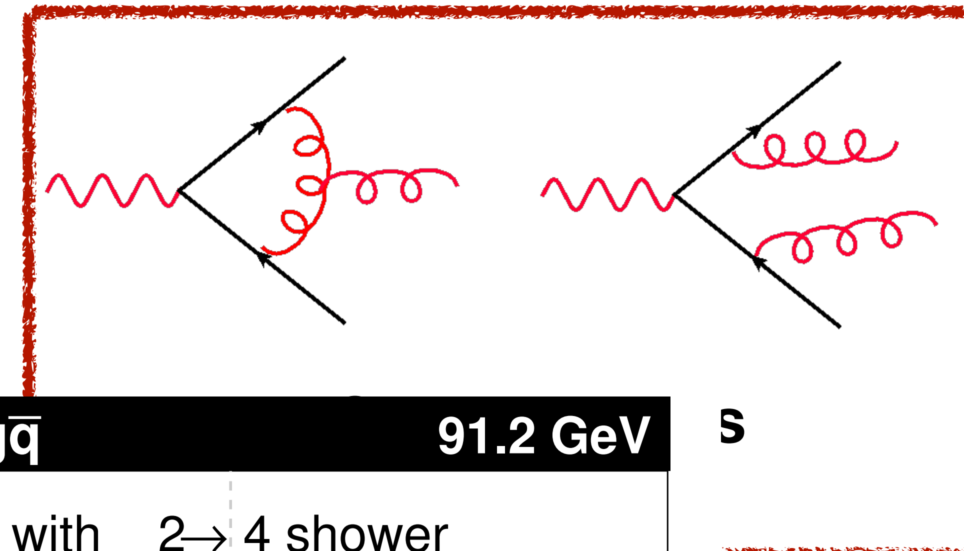

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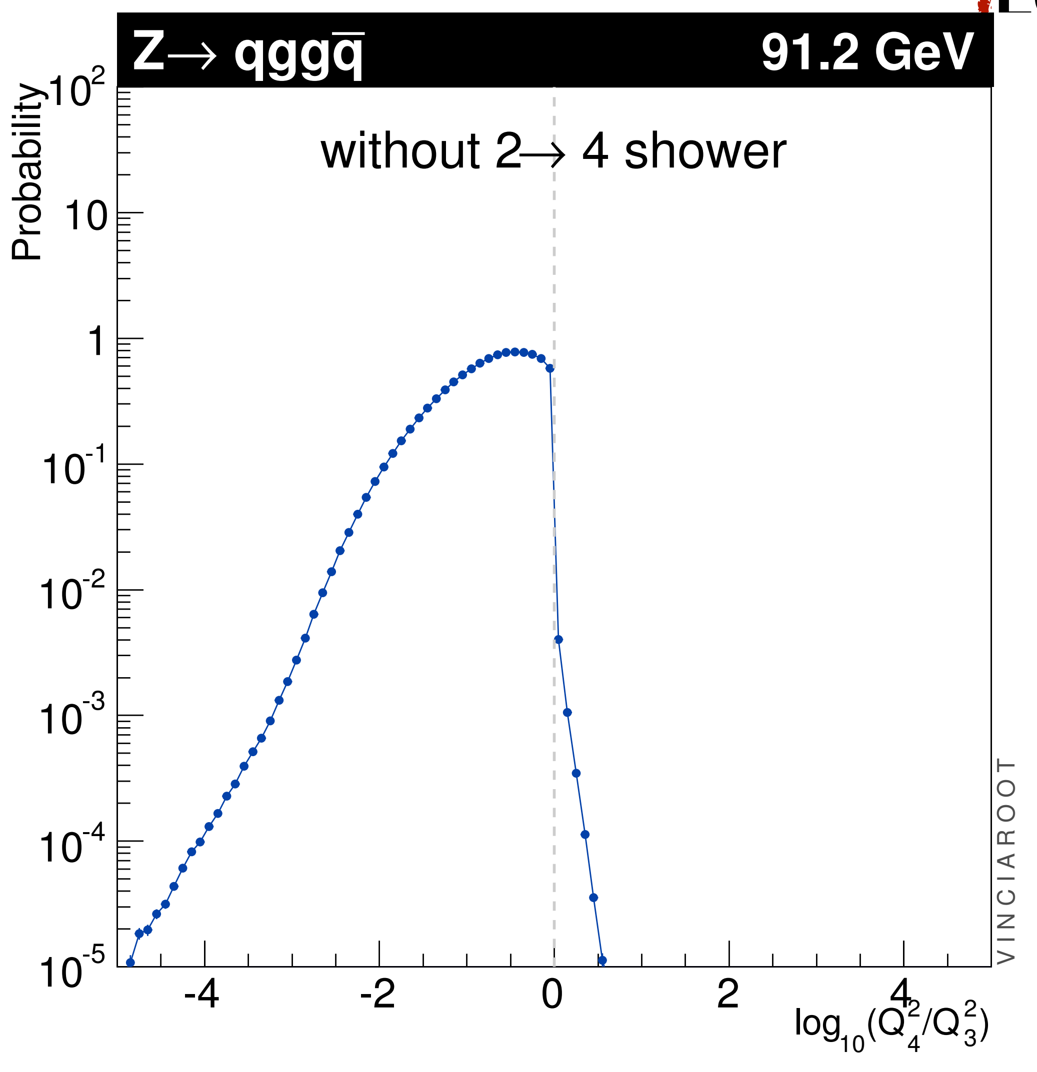
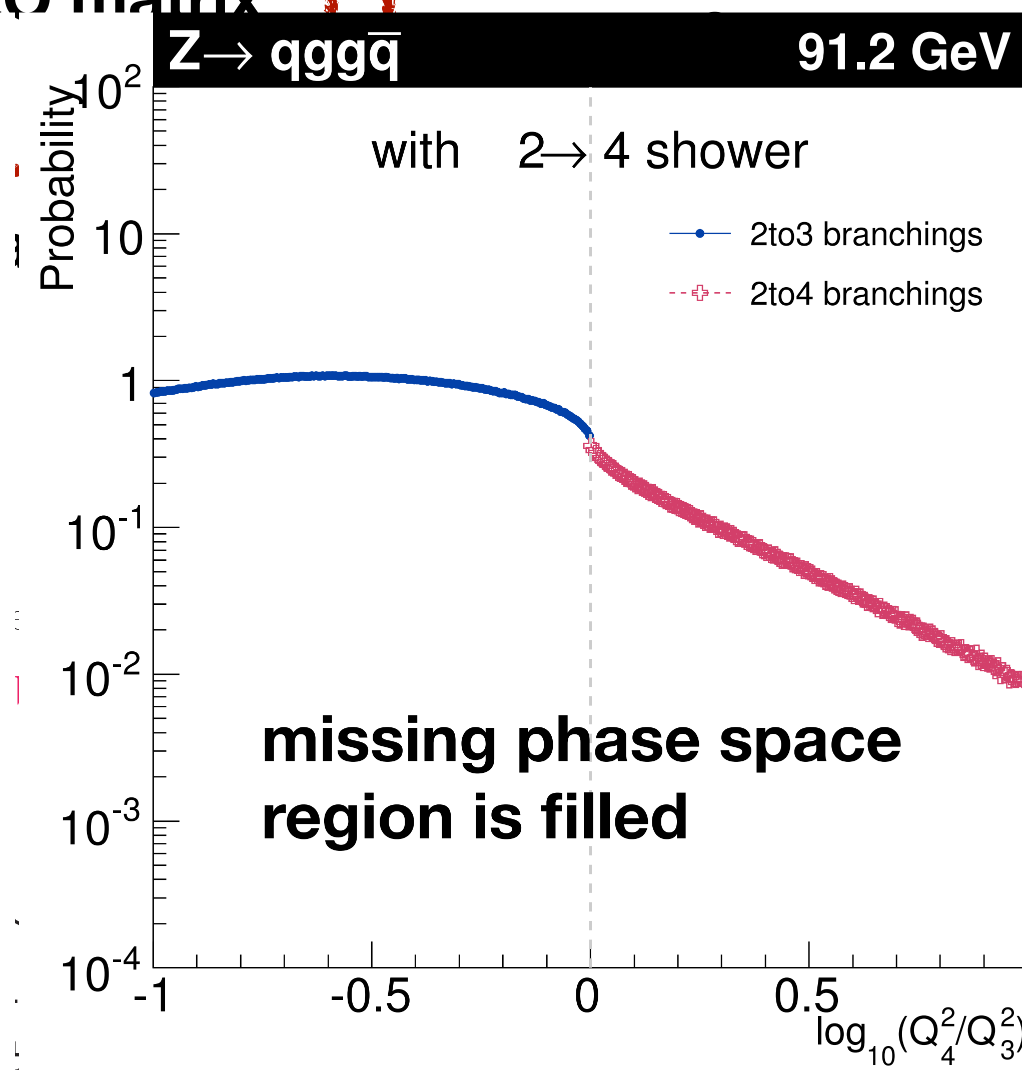


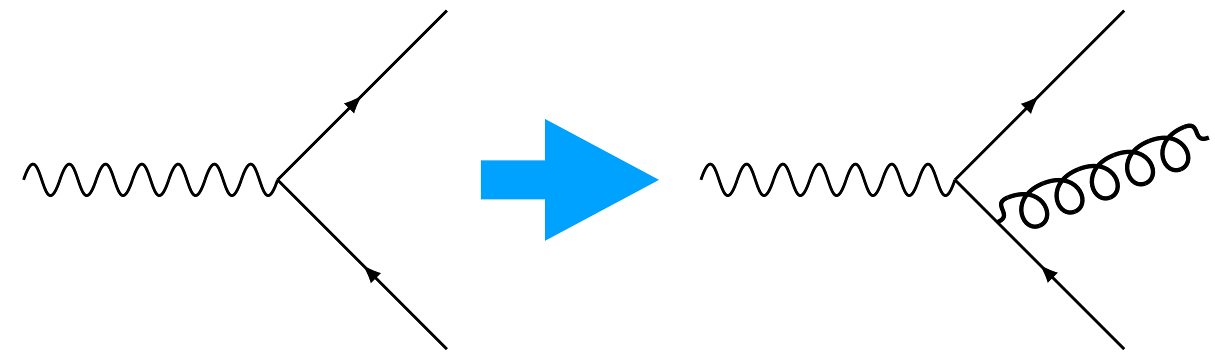


2. Parton Shower

Resummation

Proved that parton shower achieves the LL resummation

$$\sigma^{\mathrm{PS}}_{\mathrm{NLO}} = \sigma_0 \Pi_i \left(\Delta_i(Q^2, Q_0^2) + \int_{Q_0^2}^{Q^2} \frac{dq^2}{q^2} \Delta_i(Q^2, q^2) \int dz P_{ji}(z) \right)$$



LO showers reproduce the IR configuration for ME with one additional radiation
Equivalently LO parton shower includes one-loop anomalous dimensions

To compare with NLL resummation, needs to cover the double soft radiations (double log, governed by cusp anomalous dimensions)

Usually, the two-loop cusp anomalous dimension is included by CMW coupling

$$\alpha_s^{\mathrm{CMW}}(\mu) = \alpha_s(\mu)\left(1 + \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{2\pi} \times K\right) \qquad K = \left(\frac{67}{18} - \frac{\pi^2}{6}\right) C_A - \frac{5}{9} n_f$$

Catani, Webber, Marchesini, 1988

For more meaningful parton showers, in the shower kernel, the scale is set to be the evolution scale

2. Parton Shower

Resummation

LO shower can achieve LL resummation, and include most part of NLL resummation

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Hoche, Erichelt, Siegert, 2017

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First proved NLL parton shower by PanScale collaboration

Dasgupta et al 2020

$$\frac{d\mathscr{P}_{n\to n+1}}{d\ln v} = \sum_{\text{dipoles}\,\{\tilde{\imath},\tilde{\jmath}\}} \int d\bar{\eta} \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} \frac{\alpha_s(k_t) + K\alpha_s^2(k_t)}{\pi} \times \left[g(\bar{\eta}) a_k P_{\tilde{\imath}\to ik}(a_k) + g(-\bar{\eta}) b_k P_{\tilde{\jmath}\to jk}(b_k) \right]$$

special recoil

special evolution scale

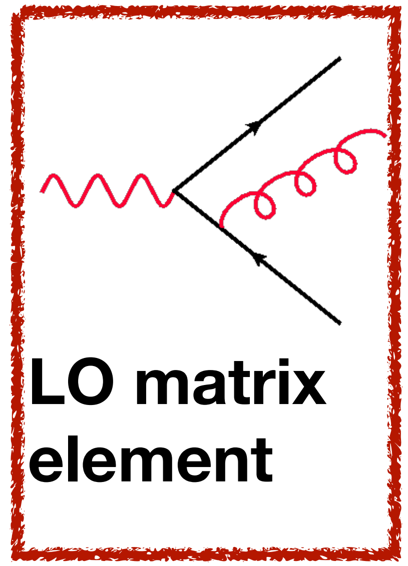
with a careful choice of the momentum mapping schemed and evolution scale

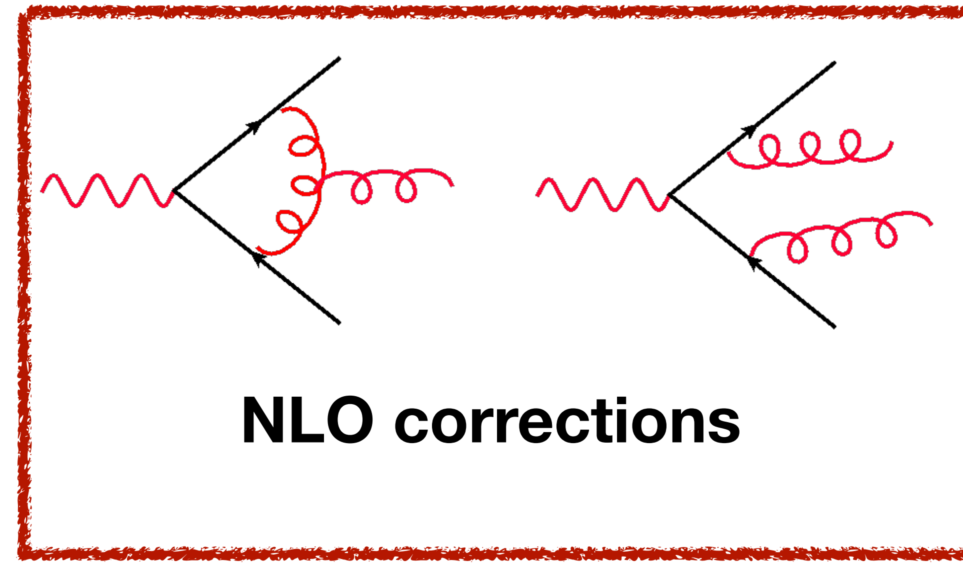
The showers were compared with NLL resummation by runing multiple small values of α_s, extrapolate to $\alpha_s \to 0$ and keeping $\alpha_s L$

2. Parton Shower

Resummation of NLO parton showers

Evolution kernel reproduces the singular of the matrix element at NNLO





3 parton final state

3+4 parton final state

Two-loop anomalous dimensions are included correctly at leading color

resummation beyond NLL

NNLL if three loop cusp included

Many efforts in this direction

Dulat, Prestel, Hoche, 2018; HTL, Skands, 2017

Ongoing project with Compbell, Hoche, HTL, Skands

And also parton showers beyond Leading color,

Nagy, Soper, 2019; DeAngels, Forshw, Platzer, 2020; Hamilton etal 2021

2. Parton Shower

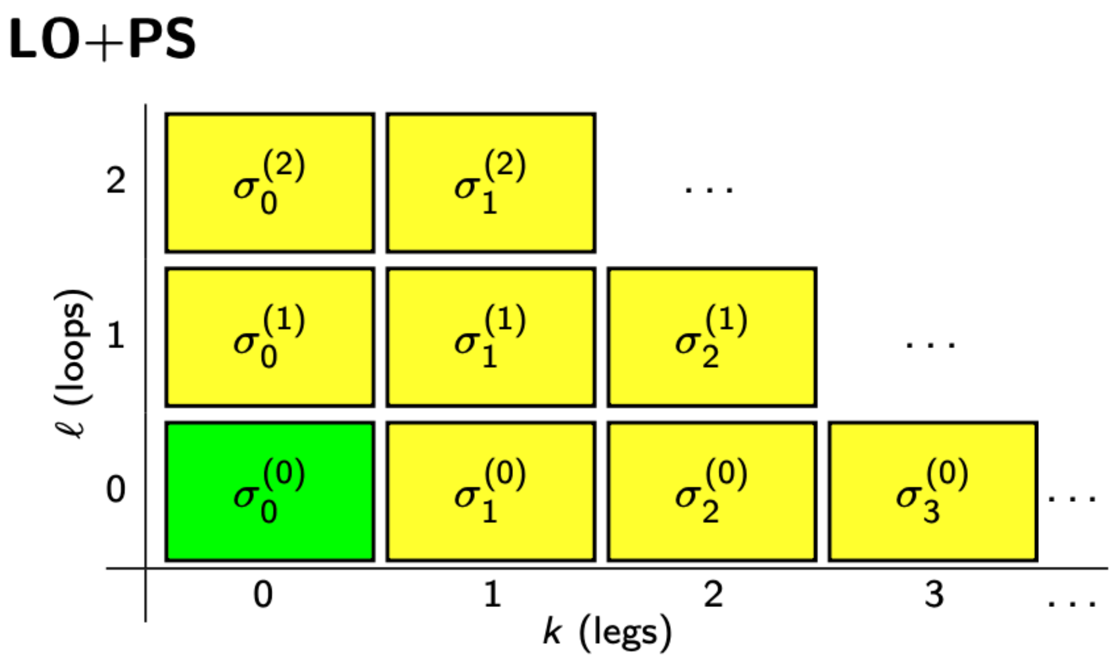
no	id	name	status	mothers		daughters		colours		p_x	p_y	p_z	e	m
0	90	(system)	-11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.000	0.000	0.000	91.188	91.188
1	11	(e-)	-12	0	0	3	0	0	0	0.000	0.000	45.594	45.594	0.001
2	-11	(e+)	-12	0	0	4	0	0	0	0.000	0.000	-45.594	45.594	0.001
3	11	(e-)	-21	1	0	5	0	0	0	0.000	0.000	45.594	45.594	0.000
4	-11	(e+)	-21	2	0	5	0	0	0	0.000	0.000	-45.594	45.594	0.000
5	23	(Z0)	-22	3	4	6	7	0	0	0.000	0.000	0.000	91.188	91.188
6	3	(s)	-23	5	0	8	9	101	0	-18.850	-40.375	9.661	45.594	0.000
7	-3	(sbar)	-23	5	0	9	10	0	101	18.850	40.375	-9.661	45.594	0.000
8	3	(s)	-51	6	0	11	12	101	0	-18.860	-38.847	10.173	44.365	0.000
9	21	(g)	-51	6	7	12	13	112	101	4.008	1.390	-4.409	6.119	0.000
10	-3	sbar	51	7	0	0	0	0	112	14.852	37.457	-5.764	40.704	0.000
11	3	s	51	8	0	0	0	101	0	-18.216	-34.723	9.239	40.285	0.000
12	21	g	51	8	9	0	0	115	101	0.731	-4.823	0.602	4.915	0.000
13	21	g	51	9	0	0	0	112	115	2.633	2.089	-4.077	5.284	0.000
			Charge sum:		0.000			Momentum sum:		0.000	0.000	-0.000	91.188	91.188

1. **id: particle id.**
2. **Status: negative for intermediate particles, positive for final state particles**
3. **mothers/daughters to track the showering history**
4. **colors store the color information (color, anti-color).**
5. **each step of shower keep the momentum conserved**

2. Parton Shower

Questions?

3. Matching and Merging



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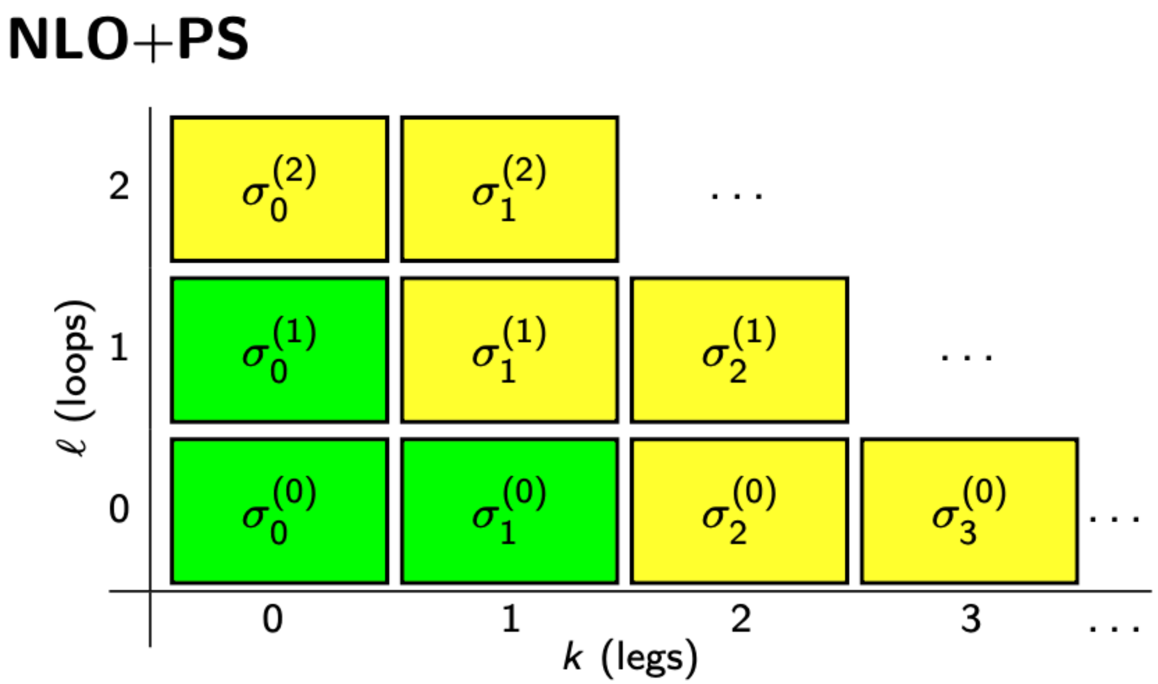

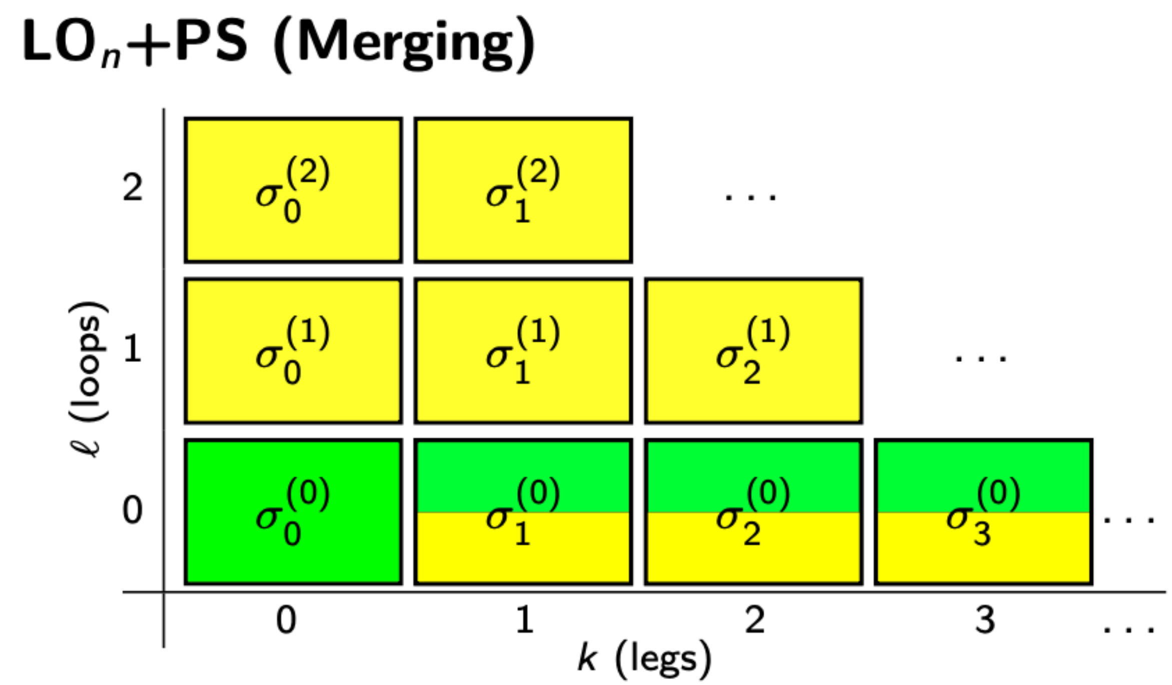

Matching:

- **combine a fixed-order (typically NLO) calculation with a parton shower, avoiding double-counting in overlap regions**

Merging:

- **combine multiple inclusive (N)LO event samples into a single inclusive one with additional shower radiation, accounting for Sudakov suppression and avoiding double-counting in overlap regions (typically via phase-space slicing)**

3. Matching and Merging

Combination of parton shower and fixed order calculation:

- **keep the resummation in parton shower**
- **remove overlap between them**

Parton shower generates n-parton configuration where logs are summed

From parton shower

$$\sigma_{\rm NLO}^{\rm PS} = \sigma_0 \Pi_i \left(\Delta_i(Q^2, Q_0^2) + \int_{Q_0^2}^{Q^2} \frac{dq^2}{q^2} \Delta_i(Q^2, q^2) \int dz P_{ji}(z) \right)$$

0-radiation — $\Delta_i(Q^2, Q_0^2)$

1-radiation (Sudakov suppressed) — $\int_{Q_0^2}^{Q^2} \frac{dq^2}{q^2} \Delta_i(Q^2, q^2) \int dz P_{ji}(z)$

Expand the Sudakov factor to 1st order

$$\sigma_{\rm NLO}^{\rm PS} = \sigma_0 \left(1 - \sum_i \int_{Q_0}^{Q} \frac{dt_{n+1}}{t_{n+1}} \int dz P_{ji}(z) \Delta_i(Q^2, t_{n+1}^2) \right) \mathcal{O}_n$$

$$+ \sigma_0 \sum_i \left(\int_{Q_0^2}^{Q^2} \frac{dq^2}{q^2} \Delta_i(Q^2, q^2) \int dz P_{ji}(z) \right) \mathcal{O}_{n+1}$$

NLO matching corrects

- **total cross section**
- **NLO expansion in Sudakov (virtual)**
- **1st radiation**

3. Matching and Merging

Matching:

- Keep NLO accuracy in expansion of α_s
- Keep full logarithmic accuracy of parton shower resummation

Two major techniques to match NLO calculations and parton shower: MC@NLO-like and POWHEH-like matching

Additive (MC@NLO-like)

- Using Parton Shower evolution kernel as infrared subtraction terms
- Multiply LO event weighted by Born-local K factor including the loop corrections and integrated subtraction terms
- Add hard remainder function consisting of subtracted real corrections

born

loop

Integrated subtraction

$$d\sigma^{\mathrm{MC@NLO}} = d\Phi_0 \left[B\left(\Phi_0\right) + \alpha_s V_1\left(\Phi_0\right) + \alpha_s B\left(\Phi_0\right) \otimes \int d\Phi_{1|0} P\left(\Phi_{1|0}\right) \right]$$
$$\times \left[\Delta\left(Q^2, Q_0^2\right) + \int_{Q_0^2} \frac{dq_1^2}{q_1^2} \int dz_1 \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P\left(z_1\right) \Delta\left(Q^2, q_1^2\right) \right]$$
$$+ d\Phi_1 \alpha_s \left[R_1\left(\Phi_1\right) - B\left(\Phi_0\right) \otimes P\left(\Phi_{1|0}\right) \right]$$

generated by shower

subtracted real

Preserves logarithmic accuracy of PS

Parametrically $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$ correct

3. Matching and Merging

Multiplicative (POWHEG-like)

- **Use matrix-element corrections to replace parton-shower splitting kernel in first shower branching**
- **Multiply LO event weight by Born-local NLO K-factor**
- **Eliminate negative weights.**
- **In order to cover full phase space for real-emission correction.**
- **Enhance the large p_T contribution**

modify the Sudakov factor for first emission using full MEC

$$\bar{\Delta}\left(Q^2, q^2\right) = \exp\left[-\int \mathrm{d}\Phi_{1|0(>q^2)}\alpha_\mathrm{s}\frac{R_1^\mathrm{s}\left(\Phi_1\right)}{B\left(\Phi_0\right)}\right]$$

NLO-local k factor

$$\bar{B}\left(\Phi_0\right) = B\left(\Phi_0\right) + \alpha_\mathrm{s}V_1\left(\Phi_0\right) + \alpha_\mathrm{s}\int \mathrm{d}\Phi_{1|0}S_1\left(\Phi_1\right)$$

$$+\alpha_\mathrm{s}\int \mathrm{d}\Phi_{1|0}\left[R_1\left(\Phi_1\right) - S_1\left(\Phi_1\right)\right]$$

NLO corrections

$$\mathrm{d}\sigma^{\mathrm{POWHEG}} = \mathrm{d}\Phi_0\bar{B}\left(\Phi_0\right)\left[\bar{\Delta}\left(Q^2, Q_0^2\right)\right.$$

$$\left.+\int \mathrm{d}\Phi_{1|0(>Q_0^2)}\alpha_\mathrm{s}\frac{R_1\left(\Phi_1\right)}{B\left(\Phi_0\right)}\bar{\Delta}\left(Q^2, q_1^2\right)\right]$$

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enhanced hard radiation

improved POWHEG

$$R_1^s = R_1 \frac{h^2}{h^2 + p_T^2}$$

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NNLO Matching and beyond

UN^{2}LOPS: Using the evolution scale to seperate final state radiations

$$\mathscr{F}_n^{(\infty)[\mathrm{uN^2LOPS}]}\left(\Phi_n, t_+, t_-\right) := \Bigg(d\sigma_n^{(0+1+2)[\mathrm{INCl}}\left(\Phi_n\right)$$

Zero extra radiation

$$- \oint_{t^-}^{t^+} d\sigma_{n+1}^{(0)[Q_{n+1} > Q_c]}\left(\Phi_{n+1}\right)\left[1 - w_{n+1}^{(1)}\left(\Phi_{n+1}\right) - \Delta_n^{(1)}\left(t_+, t_{n+1}\right)\right)\Delta_n\left(t_+, t_{n+1}\right) w_{n+1}^{(\infty)}\left(\Phi_{n+1}\right)$$

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1 extra radiation

$$+\left(d\sigma_{n+1}^{(0)[Q_{n+1} > Q_c]}\left(\Phi_{n+1}\right)\left(1 - w_{n+1}^{(1)}\left(\Phi_{n+1}\right) - \Delta_n^{(1)}\left(t_+, t_{n+1}\right)\right)\Delta_n\left(t_+, t_{n+1}\right) w_{n+1}^{(\infty)}\left(\Phi_{n+1}\right)\right.$$

$$+d\sigma_{n+1}^{(1)[\alpha_{n+1} > Q_c]}\left(\Phi_{n+1}\right) w_{n+1}^{(\infty)}\left(\Phi_{n+1}\right)\Delta_n\left(t_+, t_{n+1}\right)$$

$$- \oint_{t^-}^{t^+} d\sigma_{n+2}^{(0)[a_{n+2} > Q_c]}\left(\Phi_{n+2}\right) \quad w_{n+1}^{(\infty)}\left(\Phi_{n+1}\right) w_{n+2}^{(\infty)}\left(\Phi_{n+2}\right)\Delta_n\left(t_+, t_{n+1}\right)\Delta_{n+1}\left(t_{n+1}, t_{n+2}\right)\Bigg]\mathrm{O}_{n+1}$$

2 extra radiation

$$+d\sigma_{n+2}^{(0)[2_{n+2} > Q_c]}\left(\Phi_{n+2}\right) \quad w_{n+1}^{(\infty)}\left(\Phi_{n+1}\right) w_{n+2}^{(\infty)}\left(\Phi_{n+2}\right)\Delta_n\left(t_+, t_{n+1}\right)\Delta_{n+1}\left(t_{n+1}, t_{n+2}\right) \otimes \mathscr{F}_{n+2}^{(\infty)}\left(\Phi_{n+2}, t_{n+2}, t_-\right)$$

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2 extra radiation

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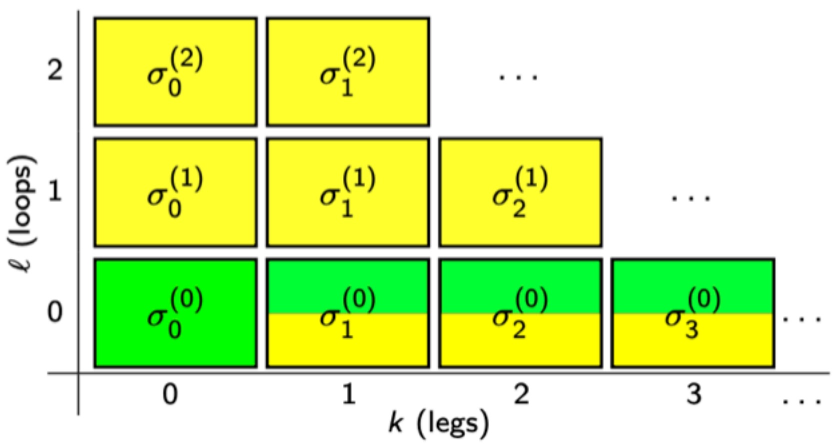
LO_n+PS (Merging)



merge multi-jet cross section

Merging Scale

$$\mathrm{d}\sigma_1^{\mathrm{CKKW}} = \mathrm{d}\Phi_1 \alpha_s R_1(\Phi_1)\,\Theta\left(q^2\left(\Phi_{1|0}\right) - Q_{\mathrm{MS}}^2\right)\Delta\left(Q^2, q_1^2\right)\Big[\Delta\left(q_1^2, Q_0^2\right)$$

$$+ \int_{Q_0^2} \frac{\mathrm{d}q_2^2}{q_2^2}\int \mathrm{d}z_2 \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P(z_2)\,\Theta\left(Q_{\mathrm{MS}}^2 - q_2^2\right)\Delta\left(q_1^2, q_2^2\right)$$

$$+ \int \mathrm{d}\Phi_{2|1}\alpha_s \frac{R_2(\Phi_2)}{R_1(\Phi_1)}\Theta\left(q^2\left(\Phi_{2|1}\right) - Q_{\mathrm{MS}}^2\right)\Delta\left(q_1^2, q_2^2\right)\Big]$$

Below merging scale generated by shower

Above merging scale corrected by matrix element

Sudakov suppressed

- **Unitarity is violated; Approximated virtual + real is not one**
- **The logarithmic resummation in parton shower is preserved**
- **NLO merging can be introduced by modifying the Sudakov factor**

Methods: CKKW, UMEPS, UNLOPS, MiNLO, ….

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Received much attention lately

NLL shower

PanScales

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NLO shower

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Amplitude level shower

Deductor

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Beyond LC

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Summary

Indispensable tools for particle physics phenomenology at hadron colliders.

- **Parton showers are built on soft and collinear approximations to the full cross sections**
  - **conserve flavor and four momentum, and**
  - **constructed with the assumption unitarity,**
- **Showers generate singular parts of higher-order matrix elements and evolve events from high scale to hadronization scale.**
- **Recent developments of parton showers**
- **Matrix element corrections improve the prediction for hard radiations; Matching and merging.**

Many components of Monte Carlo Event Generators are not discussed here
Underlying Events, Hadronization, Hadron Decay…..

Thank you!