LH'15: Monte-Carlo working group

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Topics

Some topics

- $pp \rightarrow h + \text{jets fixed-order vs.}$ matched/merged calculations
- parton shower systematics
- matching/merging systematic uncertainties
- tuning in the presence of matching/merging
- extrapolation from fiducial region to 4π
- EW corrections
- $pp
 ightarrow t\overline{t} + jets$ comparison

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$pp \rightarrow h + jets$

- common project with Loops and Multilegs group
- many observables have intricate phase space dependencies \rightarrow non-trivial to see which ones are described decently by fixed-order calculations
- even when picture seems clear there are surprises
 - xs, leading jet pT in dijet production
 - + leading jet pT in $pp \rightarrow Z + 1$ jet with veto on 2nd jet
- existing RIVET routine (RIVET-2.2.1) for easy analysis
 - \cdot ready for fixed-order, merged and matched calculations
 - HEPMC or LHEF input
 - \cdot either stable Higgs or decay to photons
 - \rightarrow compare at pQCD level





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Systematics

Parton showers:

- already discussed in previous incarnations of LH
- some work done by various groups
- none is exhaustive (encompasses not all arbitrary/systematic choices)
- rarely assessed in experiments

Matching/merging systematics:

- already discussed in previous incarnations of LH
- we had a nice table of what to do on the board
- rarely assessed in experiments

Non-perturbative modeling systematics:

- · already discussed in previous incarnations of LH
- eigentunes, simplified variations
- rarely assessed in experiments

Extrapolation from fiducial region to 4π

- commonly done to compare to NLO/NNLO/Resummed calculation which does not allow for fiducial cuts
- are the extrapolation uncertainties exhaustive
- when extrapolating include/not-include processes that only contribute outside fiducial region

example: Drell-Yan

- in fiducial region $q\bar{q} \rightarrow \ell\ell$ and $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \ell\ell$ (γPDF)
- suppressed by orders of magitude in fiducial region but rather large in 4π : $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \ell\ell$ (EPA γ -bremsstrahlung)
- $\Rightarrow \text{ Extrapolation to compare to a calculation or} \\ \text{to describe physics process in } 4\pi?$

EW corrections



EW corrections



- benchmarking predictions and uncertainties of different generator/calculations
 - \rightarrow ideally mix of fixed-order, matched, merged
- $pp \rightarrow W + \text{jets}$ (LH'11), $pp \rightarrow h + \text{jets}$ (LH'13)
- propose $\mathbf{pp}
 ightarrow \mathbf{t\bar{t}} + \mathsf{jets}$
 - \rightarrow process of interest in its own right
 - \rightarrow background to tth and BSM
- · ideally have all existing methods contributing
- should start discussing soon to fix observables etc.
- identify main objective

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Transverse momentum of the Higgs boson

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First events

Wed 14:00 – hjets discussion via Vidyo

- Wed afternoonish parton shower/matching uncertainties
- Thu 10:00 ttbar (?) setup (focus/scope/observables)

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Thank you for your attention!