## Statistical tools in Higgs search and discovery



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Enormous effort to search for Higgs signature in many decay channels

- Results → many plots with signal, background expectations, each with (systematic) uncertainties, and data
- Q: How do you conclude from this that you've seen the Higgs (or not)?
- Want answer of type: 'We can exclude that the Higgs exist at 95% CL", or "The significance of the observed excess is  $5\sigma$ "

- Consider the simplest case a counting experiment
- Observable: N (the number of events)
- Model F(NIs+b): Probability to get N events given an assumed value of signal expectation (s) and background expectation (b)

Let's assume to know exactly the expected background b=5.

F is given by Poisson(NIs+b)

$$F(N|y) = \frac{y^N}{N!}e^{-y} \Rightarrow F(N|s+b) = \frac{(s+b)^N}{N!}e^{-(s+b)}$$

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- Now make a measurement  $N=N_{obs}$  (example  $N_{obs}=7$ )
- Can now define p-value(s), e.g. for bkg hypothesis
  - Fraction of future measurements with N=Nobs (or larger) if s=0 (probability that the background can fluctuate up to Nobs or above)



- p-values of background hypothesis is used to quantify `discovery' = excess of events over background expectation
- Another example:  $N_{obs} = 15$  for same model, what is  $p_b$ ?



For large b the Poisson distribution becomes a gaussian distribution

An observed excess is no if the integral of the right tail above the region delimited by the no interval is equal to the observed p<sub>0</sub>

From  $p_0$  to number of  $\sigma$ 



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 $p_0$ 

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#### Quantifying exclusion – Frequentist approach

We want to exclude a signal hypothesis s.

The question is: are my data compatible with the signal+background hypothesis? or: what is the probability that s+b under fluctuates below the observed yield  $N_{obs}$ ?



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# Small signals and background under fluctuations

- <N<sub>obs</sub>>=s+b leads to the physical requirement that N<sub>obs</sub>>b
- A very small expected s might lead to an anomaly when N<sub>obs</sub> fluctuates far below the expected background, b.
- At one point DELPHI alone had  $CL_{s+b}$ =0.03 for  $m_H$ =116 GeV
- However, the cross section for 116 GeV Higgs at LEP was too small and Delphi actually had no sensitivity to observe it
- The frequentist would say: Suppose  $\frac{p_{s+b}}{1-p_b} = 5\%$ 116 GeV Higgs.... In 3% of the experiments the true signal would be rejected... (one would obtain a result incompatible or more so with m=116) i.e. a 116 GeV Higgs is excluded at the 97% The b CL....



**s=0** 

s=5

s=10

s=15

The problem of this method is that it ignores sensitivity to signal. Even if you expect s=0.000001 you would exclude any signal if your background under fluctuates.

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If s << b  $CL_{s+b}/CL_b \sim 1$  (no exclusion)

## Coverage

- If we exclude a signal s at 95% C.L, we want that if we reper **Berexee** intent may times in the s hypothesis, 95% of the times we get an event yield above the observed number of events, if such property holds we say that the C.L. is well covered
- CL<sub>s+b</sub> is well covered by definition (we take the tail of the poissonian that/integrates to 95% to set the 95% exclugion);
- $CL_s = CL_{s+b}/CL_b$  undercovers: if we set an exclusion at 95% C.L. more than 95% of the experiments will give a number of events above the observed one for the exluded signal hypothesis s

#### The problem: under coverage

for low  $\sigma$  signals the true false exclusion rate is below 5% (when quoting according to this recipe a 95% CL exclusion)





- Normally, we make one experiment and try to estimate from this one experiment the confidence interval at a specified CL% Confidence Level....
- In simple cases like Gaussians PDFs G(s,s<sub>true</sub>) the Confidence Intrerval can be calculated analytically and ensures a complete coverage For example 68% coverage is precise for  $\hat{s} \pm \sigma_{\hat{s}}$

 $ATLASH \rightarrow WW^*$ 

(a)  $n_i \leq 1$ ,  $e\mu + ee/\mu\mu$ 

• Obs±stat *₩* Bkg±syst

Higgs

WW Misid

> VVTop DY

Higgs

 $\sqrt{s}$  = 8 TeV. 20.3 fb<sup>-1</sup>

 $\sqrt{s}$  = 7 TeV, 4.5 fb<sup>-1</sup>

- Typical Higgs search result is not a simple number counting experiment, but looks like this:
- Result is a distribution, not a single number
- Models for signal and background have intrinsic uncertainties

We have two hypotheses:

- 1.  $H_s$  there is a signal;
- 2. H<sub>b</sub> there is only background

We have K bins, we know the acceptance in each bin i:  $\varepsilon_i^{b}$  for  $background, \underline{Is}(\underline{dtotasign}al: <N_i(H_s) > = \varepsilon_i^bb + \varepsilon_i^ss$ (b) Background-subtracted • Obs - Bkg ₩ Bkg±syst  $\begin{aligned}
q_{\mu} &= 2 \operatorname{Im} \underbrace{L(dh(d|\mu))}_{L(\overline{N_{1}}, 2: \operatorname{Im}, \frac{L(dh(d|\mu))}{L(data|\overline{\mu}_{i})}}_{K(\overline{M_{1}}, 0: 1)} (\hat{\mu}) &= \operatorname{Poisson}(N_{i}, \epsilon_{i}^{b}b + \epsilon_{i}^{s}s)}_{Poisson}(N_{i}, \epsilon_{i}^{b}b + \epsilon_{i}^{s}s)} = \underbrace{L(data|\overline{\mu})}_{L(data|\overline{\mu}_{i})} \\
q_{\mu} &= -2 \operatorname{Im} \underbrace{L(data|\overline{\mu}_{i})}_{L(data|\overline{\mu}_{i})} \\
L(N_{1}, \ldots, N_{K}|H_{b}) &= \operatorname{Im} \operatorname{Poisson}(N_{i}|\epsilon_{i}^{b}) = \operatorname{Im} \frac{(\epsilon_{i}^{b}b)}{N_{i}} \\
\end{aligned}$ 

 $m_{T}$  [GeV]

250

50

100

150

200

Events / 10 GeV

Events / 10 GeV

800

600

400

200

0

150

100

50

0

#### Neyman-Pearson lemma

$$L(N_1, \dots, N_K | H_s) = \prod_{i=1}^K Poisson(N_i, \epsilon_i^b b + \epsilon_i^s s) = \prod_{i=1}^k (\epsilon_i^b b + \epsilon_i^s s)^k e^{-\epsilon_i^b b - \epsilon_i^s s}$$
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The most powerful discriminant is the likelihood ratio

$$\lambda(N_1,\ldots,N_K|H_s,H_b) = \frac{L(N_1,\ldots,N_K|H_s)}{L(N_1,\ldots,N_K|H_b)}$$

A selection that maximises  $\lambda$  is such that, for a given signal efficiency  $\epsilon_s$ , it allows to have the lowest background efficiency  $\epsilon_b$ 

Discovery: what is the probability that the observed data are due to a background fluctuation?

Hypothesis 1: There is only background (we want to falsify this)
Hypothesis 2: There is a signal with arbitrary normalisation
If we expect **s** events from MC simulation of a signal with cross section **σ**<sub>s</sub>, we test the **s**hypothesis with an arbitrary multiplicative factor **µ** (signal strength), I.e. we test an arbitrary signal yield **µ·s**.

This means that if data are better described by a signal, we prefer it to the background hypothesis (in this sense we increase the separation power)

Assuming *b* and *s* are known without uncertainties (no systematic uncertainties)

$$\lambda(N_1, \dots, N_K | 0) = \frac{L(N_1, \dots, N_K | b)}{L(N_1, \dots, N_K | b + \hat{\mu}s)}$$
 fixed number

 $\hat{\mu}$  is obtained by maximising the denominator of  $\lambda$ 

#### Likelihood ratio for discovery (the test statistics)

$$q_0 = -2ln \left[ \frac{L(N_1, \dots, N_K | b)}{L(N_1, \dots, N_K | b + \hat{\mu}s)} \right]$$

 $_{x}q_{0}$  distributes according a  $\chi^{2}$  distribution with 1 degree of freedom (dF)



This area is the probability to have a  $q_0$  value higher than the observed one (it is the  $p_0$ )

data are not background-like, L small, q<sub>0</sub> larger.

## Higgs discovery



p<sub>0</sub> is computed for each mass hypothesis, the mass hypothesis changes the signal distributions (this plot would have no shape in case of a single count experiment)



#### Likelihood ratio for exclusion of signal strength $\mu$

1)  $H_1$  hypothesis to have a signal that is  $\mu$  times the SM expectation; 2)  $H_\mu$  hypothesis to have any signal with signal strength  $\mu$ 

$$q_{\mu} = -2ln \left[ \frac{L(N_1, \dots, N_K | b + \mu s)}{L(N_1, \dots, N_K | b + \hat{\mu} s)} \right]$$



 $q_{\mu} \ge 0$  and distributes according  $a \chi^2$  distribution with 1 degree of freedom

We say that a signal with a cross section  $\mu$  times larger than the SM is excluded at 95% C.L. if P(q<sub>µ</sub> > q<sub>µ</sub><sup>obs</sup>) < 5%, coverage is exact

dF: number of degree of freedom

#### Example – 95% Exclusion limit vs $m_H$ for $H \rightarrow WW$





Higgs with 1.0x SM cross-section excluded at 95% CL for  $m_H$  in range [150,~187]

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Let's assume to have 1 bin:

$$q_1 = -2ln \left[ \frac{L(N_1, b+s)}{L(N_1, b+\hat{\mu}s)} \right] = -2ln \left[ \frac{Poisson(N_1, b+s)}{Poisson(N_1, b+\hat{\mu}s)} \right]$$

In order to evaluate  $\hat{\mu}$ 

$$\frac{dL}{d\mu} = \frac{d}{d\mu} \frac{(b+\mu s)^{N_1}}{N_1!} e^{-b-\mu s} = \frac{s(b+\mu s)^{N_1-1}}{N_1!} e^{-b-\mu s} \left(N_1 - b - \mu s\right)$$

If data under fluctuate below b the derivative is negative, so L decreases with  $\mu$  and its maximum is at  $\mu=0 \to \hat{\mu}=0$ 

# CL<sub>s+b</sub>: coverage ok, but dangerous for s<<br/>b; CL<sub>s</sub>: ok, but undercoverage Likelihood ratio: coverage ok, protected for s<<br/>b can be used to test distributions

Up to know, discussed only about observation and exclusions, what about measurements?

1) Who cares of measurements?

2) Measurements are useful to look for deviations from SM, tune MC, check SM prediction: i.e. sin(2β), N.P. Kobayashi-Maskawa

I measure the Higgs mass  $m_{H_1}$  what an error on  $m_{H_2}$  means?

1) the error on  $m_H$  means that there is 68% probability that the true  $m_H$  is between  $m_H$  -  $\sigma_{mH}$  and  $m_H$  +  $\sigma_{mH}$ 

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2) it is our degree of believe..., it is like a bet: What is the probability that Juventus will win the Italian league?

In this case it is subjective, and it tries to estimate an objective number:

Given the parameters I know about Juventus potentiality to win a match, if I take a sample of those parameters and try to simulate a match, what is the fraction of times Juventus will win?

There is always something subjective in this.

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Neyman construction of confidence belt:



Possible experimental values x

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Neyman construction of Xmeas confidence belt:  $D(\alpha)$  $f(x;\theta)$  distribution of x given  $\theta$  $P(x_1 < x < x_2; \theta) = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} f(x; \theta) \, dx \ge 1 - \alpha$ for 1o 1-a=0.68
when we change  $\theta$  we get two  $x_2(\theta), \theta_2(x)$  $\theta_0$  $x_1(\theta), \theta_1(x)$ when we change  $\theta$  we get two curves for  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ . We build the confidence belt using simulation. Then we measure x<sub>meas</sub>  $x_1(\theta_0)$  $x_2(\theta_0)$ 

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If the Higgs mass is  $m_{H,}$  68% of the experiments will measure an interval [ $m_{H}^{low}$ ,  $m_{H}^{high}$ ] that will contain the value  $m_{H}$ .

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if  $\theta_0$  is the true value, we will have  $x_1 < x_{meas} < x_2$  in 1- $\alpha$ of the cases (experiments) and consequently  $\theta_1 < \theta_0 < \theta_2$ in the same fraction of cases, where  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  are random variables that is the outcome of the experiment.



Possible experimental values x

$$P(x_1 < x < x_2; \theta) = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} f(x; \theta) \, dx \ge 1 - \alpha$$

it is not enough to define  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ , need to add further informations: i.e. central values  $x_c$  is such that  $P(x < x_1) = P(x > x_2) = \alpha/2$ 



Possible experimental values *x* 

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likelihood of measured x given  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ 

a-priori distribution for  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ 

new distribution for  $\theta$ , improve after the measurement of x

$$p(\theta \mid x) = \frac{L(x \mid \theta)\pi(\theta)}{\int L(x \mid \theta)\pi(\theta)d\theta}$$

Can the model have a probability?

if  $\theta$  and x are random variables, this is a theorem otherwise it is the definition of  $p(\theta, x)$ 

- We assign a degree of belief in models of parameterized by  $\theta$
- Instead of talking about confidence intervals we talk about credible intervals, where  $p(\theta|x)$  is the credibility of  $\theta$  given the data.

## Nuísance Parameters (Systematics)

- Nuisance a thing causing inconvenience or annoyance (Oxford Dictionary)
- Systematic Errors are equivalent in the statisticians jargon to Nuisance parameters – parameters of no interest... Will the Physicist ever get used to this jargon?
- D. Sinervo classified uncertainties into three classes classes:
  - Class I: Statistics like uncertainties that are reduced with increasing statistics. Example: Calibration constants for a detector whose precision of (auxiliary) measurement is statistics limited
  - Class II: Systematic uncertainties that arise from one's limited knowledge of some data features and cannot be constrained by auxiliary measurements ... One has to do some assumptions. Example: Background uncertainties due to fakes, isolation criteria in QCD events, shape uncertainties.... These uncertainties do not normally scale down with increasing statistics
  - Class III: The "Bayesian" kind... The theoretically motivated ones... Uncertainties in the model, Parton Distribution Functions, Hadronization Models.....

## Nuísance Parameters (Systematics)

- There are two related issues:
  - Classifying and estimating the systematic uncertainties
  - Implementing them in the analysis
- The physicist must make the difference between cross checks and identifying the sources of the systematic uncertainty.
  - Shifting cuts around and measure the effect on the observable...

Very often the observed variation is dominated by the statistical uncertainty in the measurement.

# Treatment of Systematic Errors, the Bayesian Way

- Marginalization (Integrating) (The C&H Hybrid)
  - Integrate L over possible values of nuisance parameters (weighted by their prior belief functions -- Gaussian,gamma, others...)
  - Consistent Bayesian interpretation of uncertainty on nuisance parameters
- Note that in that sense MC "statistical" uncertainties (like background statistical uncertainty) are systematic uncertainties

$$p(\theta, \lambda \mid x) = \frac{L(x \mid \theta, \lambda)\pi(\theta, \lambda)}{\int L(x \mid \theta, \lambda)\pi(\theta, \lambda)d\theta d\lambda} = \frac{L(x \mid \theta, \lambda)\pi(\theta, \lambda)}{Normalization}$$

• Our degree of belief in  $\theta$  is the sum of our degree of belief in  $\theta$  given  $\lambda$  (nuisance parameter), over "all" possible values of  $\lambda$ 

$$p(\theta \,|\, x) = \int p(\theta, \lambda \,|\, x) d\lambda$$

## **Priors** $P(\theta \mid data) \sim \int L(data \mid \theta, \lambda) \pi(\lambda) d\theta d\lambda$

- A prior probability is interpreted as a description of what we believe about a parameter preceding the current experiment
  - Informative Priors: When you have some information about  $\lambda$  the prior might be informative (Gaussian or Truncated Gaussians...)
    - Most would say that subjective informative priors about the parameters of interest should be avoided ("....what's wrong with assuming that there is a Higgs in the mass range [115,140] with equal probability for each mass point?")
    - Subjective informative priors about the Nuisance parameters are more difficult to argue with
      - These Priors can come from our assumed model (Pythia, Herwig etc...)
      - These priors can come from subsidiary measurements of the response of the detector to the photon energy, for example.
      - Some priors come from subjective assumptions (theoretical, prejudice symmetries....) of our model

# Príors - Uninformative Priors

 Uninformative Priors: All priors on the parameter of interest should be uninformative....

IS THAT SO?

Therefore flat uninformative priors are most common in HEP.

- When taking a uniform prior for the Higgs mass [115, ∞]... is it really uninformative? do uninformative priors exist?
- When constructing an uninformative prior you actually put some information in it...
- But a prior flat in the coupling g will not be flat in σ~g<sup>2</sup>
   Depends on the metric!
   (→ try Jeffrey Priors)
- Moreover, flat priors are improper and lead to serious problems of undercoverage (when one deals with >1 channel, i.e. beyond counting, one should AVOID them

-See Joel Heinrich Phystat 2005
# Choice of Priors

 A.W.F. Edwards: "Let me say at once that I can see no reason why it should always be possible to eliminate nuisance parameters. Indeed, one of the many objections to Bayesian inference is that is always permits this elimination."

Anonymous: "Who the ---- is A.W.F. Edwards..." http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/A.\_W.\_F.\_Edwards

- But can you really argue with subjective informative priors about the Nuisance parameters (results of analysis are aimed at the broad scientific community.. See talk by Leszek Roszkowski constrained MSSM)
- Choosing the right priors is a science by itself
- Should we publish Bayesian (or hybrid ) results with various priors?
- Should we investigate the coverage of Bayesian (credible) intervals?
- Anyway, results should be given with the priors specified

# C&HHybrid Method

- This method is coping with the Nuisance parameters by averaging on them weighted by a posterior.
- The Bayesian nature of the calculation is in the Nuisance parameters only....
- Say in a subsidiary measurement y of b, then the posterior is p(b|y); μ is the x expectation.
- C&H will calculate the p-value of the observation  $(x_o, y_o)$

$$p(x_{o}, y_{o} | \mu) = \int_{0}^{\infty} p(x_{o} | y_{o}, \mu) p(b | y_{o}) db$$

$$p(b | y_{o}) = \frac{p(y_{o} | b) p(b)}{p(y_{o})}$$
Note:
The origin
$$p(y_{o} | b) = G(y_{o} | b, \sigma_{b})$$

$$p(b) \text{ uniform}$$
Note:

The original C&H used the Luminosity as the Nuisance parameter....

The Profile Likelihood Method  

$$\ell(s) = \frac{L(s,\hat{b})}{L(\hat{s},\hat{b})} \Rightarrow Q(s) = \frac{L(s,\hat{b})}{L(\hat{s},\hat{b})} - 2\ln Q(s) = -2\ln \frac{L(s,\hat{b})}{L(\hat{s},\hat{b})} \rightarrow \chi^{2}(s)$$

$$\Delta \chi^{2} = 2.7 \rightarrow 90\% C.I.$$

- The advantages of the Profile Likelihood
  - It has been with us for years..... (MINOS of MINUIT) (Fred James)
  - In the asymptotic limit it is approaching a  $\chi^2$  distribution

**F. James**, e.g. Computer Phys. Comm. 20 (1980) 29 -35 W. Rolke, A. Lopez, J.Conrad. Nucl. Inst.Meth A 551 (2005) 493-503

The Profile Likelihood for Significance Calculation

• A counting experiment with background uncertainty

$$L(n, b_{meas} \mid \mu, s, b) = Poiss(n \mid \mu s + b)G(b_{meas} \mid b, \sigma_b)$$

The Likelihood-ratio

$$\lambda(\mu, b) = \frac{L(n, b_{meas} \mid \mu, s, b)}{L(n, b_{meas} \mid \hat{\mu}, s, \hat{b})}$$

Where  $\hat{s}, \hat{b}$  are MLE

 $-2\log \lambda(\mu)$  is distributed as

a  $\chi^2$  with N degrees of freedom , N being the number of free parameters (parameters of interest)

(in this case N=2)

Confidence intervals



## Profiling the Likelihood

• Profile Likelihood:

85

80 L 0

43

0.2

0.4

0.6

0.8



1.8

1.4

1.2

1.6

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# distributes as a χ<sup>2</sup> with 1 d.o.f This ensures simplicity, coverage, speed



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The Profile Likelihood  
for Significance Calculation  
$$-2\log\lambda(\hat{\mu}\pm N\sigma_{\hat{\mu}}) = N^{2}$$
$$N = \sqrt{-2\log\lambda(\mu)}$$

- In particular if we generate background only experiments,  $\lambda(\mu=0)$  is distributed as  $\chi^2$  with 1 d.o.f
- Discovery has to do with a low probability of the background only experiment to fluctuate and give us a signal like result....
- To estimate a discovery sensitivity we simulate a data compatible with a signal (s+b) and evaluate for this data  $\lambda(\mu=0)$ . For this data, the MLE of  $\mu$  is 1

0% BG Systematics



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A Lesson in Systematic

• In absence of systematics significance can be  $\frac{s}{\sqrt{b}}$ approximated to be

• However if there is  
systematics, say, 
$$\Delta b$$
  
the significance is  
reduced to  
 $\sqrt{(\sqrt{b})^2 + (\Delta \cdot b)^2} = \frac{s}{\sqrt{b(1 + \Delta^2 \cdot b)}} \rightarrow \frac{s}{\Delta \cdot b}$ 

- For  $5\sigma$  one needs  $\frac{s}{b} > 5\Delta$
- For 10% systematics this implies

$$\frac{s}{b} > 0.5$$

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For b=100 with 10% systematics, significance for S/JB=5 drops to  $\sim$ 3.6



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# Profile Likelihood

- The speed and ease allow us to produce all sorts of views in seconds!
- No numerical problems, can go up to any significance

# Why Profile Likelihood?

- For SUSY interpretations you usually have results in a grid (i.e. tgβ,m<sub>A</sub>)
- Each point is a different experiment
- There are 10s-100000s of possible points per channel
- In a shape-based analysis each bin is treated like a channel....
- The difference between O(minutes) per point and O(0.1 seconds) per point is critical!

# Exclusion with Profile Likelihood

- Exclusion is related to the probability of the "would be" signal to fluctuate down to the background only region (i.e. the p-value of the s+b "observation")
- Here we suppose the data is the background only and the exclusion sensitivity is given by

$$N = \sqrt{-2\lambda(\mu = 1)}$$

• Exclusion at the 95% C.L. means N=2

### Signal Efficiencies Uncertainties $L(\mu \varepsilon s + b)$ How to cope with

 How to cope with with background and efficiency systematics

 Efficiency systematics have no effect on discovery sensitivity but can have large effects on exclusion sensitivity

Including error on signal efficiency

 $L(\mu) = Poiss(n \mid \mu \varepsilon s + b)G(b_{meas} \mid b)G(\varepsilon_{meas} \mid \varepsilon)$ 



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## Pros and Cons Profile Likelihood

- CONS:
  - The only disadvantage I see is its incapability to take the Look Elsewhere Effect in a built-in way....
  - One has to take the Look Elsewhere Effect in the LEP way (Using MC and factorize the resulting significanceneed to be studied)

- PROS:
  - It is simple and easy to understand and apply
  - It is statistically reliable and a frequentists favorite
  - It can cope with Systematics and has the proper coverage
  - It is FAST!!!!!! O(0.1 Sec) vs O(Minutes).
  - Its probably the only method that can cope with as many as SUSY scenarios one wants!

#### Combining Higgs channels (and experiments)

• Procedure: define joint likelihood



$$L(\mu, \theta_{LHC}) = L_{ATLAS}(\mu, \theta_{ATLAS}) \cdot L_{CMS}(\mu, \theta_{CMS}) \cdot \dots$$

- Correlations between  $\theta_{WW}, \theta_{\gamma\gamma}$  etc and between  $\theta_{ATLAS}, \theta_{CMS}$  requires careful consideration!
- The construction profile likelihood ratio test statistic from joint likelihood and proceed as usual

$$\widetilde{q}_{\mu} = -2 \ln \frac{L(data \mid \mu, \hat{\hat{\theta}}_{\mu})}{L(data \mid \hat{\mu}, \hat{\theta})}$$

Wouter Verkerke, NIKHEF

#### Comb: p-value of background-only hypothesis ('discovery')



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#### Conclusions

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#### The simulation chain



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## MC simulations in particle physics

How Monte Carlo simulation works

- Numerical process generation based on random numbers
- Method very powerful in particle physics

**Event generation programs:** 

Pythia6, Pythia8, Herwig, Herwig++, Sherpa ...

Hard partonic subprocess + fragmentation and hadronisation ...

**Detector simulation:** 

Geant4 Fluka low energy hadron interactions... interaction & response

of all produced particles ...

**Event Generator** simulate physics process (quantum mechanics: probabilities!)

Detector Simulation simulate interaction with detector material

**Digitisation** translate interactions with detector into realistic signals

Reconstruction/Analysis as for real data

## Baseline of the simulation process

Typically, we need to generate a continuous variable following some distribution i.e. energy loss of a particle in a given material segment; angle of a photon in the h reference frame for the  $h \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$  decay



probability to get an  $x_0$  value between x and x+dx



$$dP = f(\theta, \phi) d\theta d\phi = sen\theta d\theta d\phi$$

flat distribution in φ non flat in θ

## Distribution function transformation properties

- 1) software libraries provide basic functions to produce flat distributed random numbers in the interval [0,1] (ex. root TRandom3 class), they are typically fast and accurate uniform random numbers generators;
- 2) starting from uniform distributed random numbers, it is possible to generate numbers following any distribution using different techniques

$$dP_x = f(x)dx \qquad y = g(x)$$
  
$$x \in [x_a, x_b]$$

$$dP_y = h(y)dy = h(y)g'(x)dx$$

How "y" distributes in  $[g(x_a), g(x_b)]$ ?

Because y is a monotonic function of x the probability to have y between g(x) and g(x+dx) is equal to the probability to have x between x and x+dx

$$h(y)g'(x) = f(x) \Rightarrow h(y) = \frac{f(x)}{g'(x)} = \frac{f(g^{-1}(y))}{g'(g^{-1}(y))}$$

Ex.: range map

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0,1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} a,b \end{bmatrix} \qquad y = (b-a)x + a \\ f(x) = 1 \qquad g'(x) = b - a \quad h(y) = \frac{1}{b-a}$$
 uniform

y is uniformly distributed in [a,b]

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## Distribution function transformation properties

Ex. 2: integration method:

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{\int_a^b f(x')dx'} \int_a^x f(x')dx' \qquad g'(x) = \frac{f(x)}{\int_a^b f(x')dx'}$$
$$h(y) = \frac{f(x)}{g'(x)} = \frac{f[g^{-1}(y)]}{f[g^{-1}(y)]} \cdot \int_a^b f(x')dx' = \int_a^b f(x')dx'$$

y is uniformly distributed:

1) generate y flat in [fmin, fmax];

2) compute  $x = g^{-1}(y)$ , x will be distributed in  $g^{-1}(f_{min})$ ,  $g^{-1}(f_{max})$ 

Finding  $g^{-1}(y)$  is equivalent to solve the equation:

$$\frac{1}{\int_a^b f(x')dx'} \int_a^x f(x')dx' = y$$

## Hit or miss method.

- 1) generate x flat in  $x_{min}$ ,  $x_{max}$
- 2) generate y flat in 0, f<sub>max</sub>
- 3) if y < f(x) accept the event, otherwise ignore it

for a given x in x, x+dx the fraction of accepted events is proportional to  $f(x)dx \rightarrow dPx = f(x)dx$ 

1) advantages:

- can be used for all functions, even non continuous ...
- can be extended to N-dimension (generate  $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n$ ), y accept if  $y < f(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$



0.5 0.4  $x_{\min}$  $x_{\rm max}$ *f*max 0.3 0.2 0.1 0 -2 2 0 4 6 8 X

1.2

1.4

1.8

1.6

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f(x)

### Comparison between real and simulated events



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[after T.Sjöstrand]

## Simulation elements



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#### **GEANT** Geometry And Tracking

Detailed description of detector geometry [sensitive & insensitive volumes]

Tracking of all particles through detector material ...



➤ Detector response

Developed at CERN since 1974 (FORTRAN) [Today: Geant4; programmed in C<sup>++</sup>]



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[Sjöstrand, arXiv:hep-ph/0611247v1]

Strong interactions:

No free Quarks

Expect jets

i.e. bundles of particles at high energies [hadron  $p_T$  range limited w.r.t. initial parton]

First observation of jets in  $e^+e^-$  collisions @  $E_{CMS} > 6$  GeV [SPEAR, SLAC, 1975]

Later also observed in hadron-hadron collisions [e.g. @ CERN ISR]



#### An event with 4 jets @ LHC

Goal: Infer parton properties from jet properties [need to calculate and/or model fragmentation & hadronisation process]



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[T. Gleisberg et al., JHEP02 (2004) 056]

#### Pure matrix element (ME) simulation:

MC integration of cross section & PDFs, no hadronisation (recall: cross section =  $|matrix element|^2 \otimes phase space$ )

Useful for theoretical studies, no exclusive events generated

[Example: MCFM (<u>http://mcfm.fnal.gov</u>); many LHC processes up to NLO, HNNLO (<u>http://theory.fi.infn.it/grazzini/codes.html</u>) Higgs production at NNLO]

#### Event generators:

Combination of ME and parton showers ...

Typical: generator for leading order ME combined with leading log (LL) parton shower MC (see later)

Exclusive events  $\rightarrow$  useful for experimentalists ...

#### Parton showers

A realistic simulation needs many particles in the final state, it is quite difficult (sometimes impossible) to compute a pp (2)  $\rightarrow$  many particles process

ISR  $Q_3^2$ quark quark  $(2 \rightarrow n) = ...$ 0000 000000  $\dots = (2 \rightarrow 2) \oplus ISR \oplus FSR$ 2≁2 000  $Q_2^2$ 000000 FSR: Final state radiation **FSR**  $Q^2 \sim m^2 > 0$  decreasing [time-like shower] quark quark ISR: Initial state radiation  $Q^2 \sim -m^2 > 0$  increasing [space-like shower] Calculable Hard process  $[2 \rightarrow 2]$ :  $\sigma = \iiint \mathrm{d}x_1 \,\mathrm{d}x_2 \,\mathrm{d}\hat{t} \,f_i(x_1, Q^2) \,f_j(x_2, Q^2) \,\frac{\mathrm{d}\hat{\sigma}_{ij}}{\mathrm{d}\hat{t}}$ Shower evolution: Viewed as probabilistic process, which occurs with unit total probability;

cross section not directly affected; only indirectly via changed event shape.
[Sjöstrand, arXiv:hep-ph/0611247v1]

#### Parton showers

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e+e- → ddã	2 Ο γ	$Q^2 = m_{23}^2$ $\gamma$	2
	2 200 b	0 ~~~ 0 ~~ 0	3
	$Q^2 = m_{13}^2$		
$x_i = rac{2E_i}{E_{ m cm}}$ $x_1 + x_2$ . Cross section has large	$+ x_3 = 2$ Cross Section: $\frac{d\sigma_{qqg}}{dx_1 dx_2} = \frac{4}{3}$ contributions for x <sub>1</sub> , x <sub>2</sub> $\rightarrow$ 1	$rac{lpha_s}{2\pi}\cdot\sigma_0\cdotrac{x_1^2+x_2^2}{(1-x_1)(1-x_1)(1-x_1)}$ [m <sub>q</sub> = 0; see e.g. Halzen/N	1 2) /artin]
from p $_{ op}$ $1-x_2=rac{m_{13}^2}{E_{ m cm}^2}=rac{m_{13}^2}{E_{ m cm}^2}$	$\frac{Q^2}{E_{\rm cm}^2} m_{13}^2 \sim 2E_1 E_2 (1 - \cos\theta)$	$x_2 \to 1 \Rightarrow m_{13}^2 \to 0$	$\Rightarrow \ \theta \rightarrow 0$ collinear limit
$dx_2 = -\frac{dQ^2}{E_{\rm cm}^2}$ $E_q = E_1 = zE_b \ E_g = E_1$	$\begin{array}{c} \text{Rewrite for } \mathbf{x}_{2} \twoheadrightarrow\\ \text{[qg collinear limit]}\\ \mathbf{x}_{1} \approx \mathbf{z}  \mathbf{dx}\\ \mathbf{x}_{3} \approx (1-z)E_{b}\\ \mathbf{x}_{3} \approx 1-\mathbf{z} \end{array}$	1: $f_1 \approx dz$ Splitting F $P_{q}$	Function g
$d{\cal P}={d\sigma_{ m qqg}\over\sigma_0}=$	$=rac{4}{3}rac{lpha_s}{2\pi}\cdotrac{dx_2}{(1-x_2)}\cdotrac{x_1^2+x_2^2}{(1-x_1)}dx_1$	$dx_1 \approx rac{lpha_s}{2\pi} \cdot rac{dQ^2}{Q^2} \cdot rac{4}{3} \left[ rac{1+2}{1+2} + rac{2\pi}{2} + rac}{2\pi}{2} + rac{2\pi}{2} + rac{2\pi}{2} + rac{2\pi}{2} + rac{2\pi$	$\left[\frac{z^2}{-z}\right] dz$



### Parton shower evolution 1

#### Conservation of total probability:

$$\mathcal{P}(\text{nothing happens}) = 1 - \mathcal{P}(\text{something happens})$$

Time evolution:

$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{nothing}}(0 < t \le T) = \mathcal{P}_{\text{nothing}}(0 < t \le T_1) \mathcal{P}_{\text{nothing}}(T_1 < t \le T)$$

$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{nothing}}(0 < t \le T) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \mathcal{P}_{\text{nothing}}(T_i < t \le T_{i+1})$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} (1 - \mathcal{P}_{\text{something}}(T_i < t \le T_{i+1}))$$

$$= \exp\left(-\lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \mathcal{P}_{\text{something}}(T_i < t \le T_{i+1})\right)$$

$$= \exp\left(-\int_0^T \frac{d\mathcal{P}_{\text{something}}(t)}{dt}dt\right)$$

$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{first}}(T) = d\mathcal{P}_{\text{something}}(T) \exp\left(-\int_0^T \frac{d\mathcal{P}_{\text{something}}(t)}{dt}dt\right)$$

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### Parton shower evolution 2

Instead of evolving to later and later times need to evolve to smaller and smaller  $Q^2$  ... [Heisenberg: Q ~ 1/t]

Sudakov Form Factor

$$\mathrm{d}\mathcal{P}_{a\to bc} = \frac{\alpha_{\mathrm{s}}}{2\pi} \frac{\mathrm{d}Q^2}{Q^2} P_{a\to bc}(z) \,\mathrm{d}z \,\exp\left(-\sum_{b,c} \int_{Q^2}^{Q_{\mathrm{max}}^2} \frac{\mathrm{d}Q'^2}{Q'^2} \int \frac{\alpha_{\mathrm{s}}}{2\pi} P_{a\to bc}(z') \,\mathrm{d}z'\right)$$

Probability to radiated with virtuality Q<sup>2</sup>

Note that  $\sum_{b,c} \iint dP_a \rightarrow bc \equiv 1...$ [Convenient for Monte Carlo]

Sudakov form factor ...

- ... provides "time" ordering of shower ... [lower  $Q^2 \Leftrightarrow$  longer times]
- ... regulates singularity for first emission ...

But in the limit of repeated soft emissions  $q \rightarrow qg$  (but no  $g \rightarrow gg$ ) one obtains the same inclusive Q emission spectrum as for ME, i.e. divergent ME spectrum  $\Leftrightarrow$  infinite number of PS emissions

No radiation for higher virtualities i.e. for  $Q^2 \dots Q^2_{max}$ 



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# Sudakov picture of parton showers

#### Basic algorithm: Markov chain

[each step requires only knowledge only of previous step]

- (i) Start with virtuality  $Q_1$  and momentum fraction  $x_1$
- (ii) Generate target virtuality  $Q_2$  with random number  $R_T$  uniform distributed in [0,1]

Probability to not have  $Q_x > Q_2$ 

using:  

$$\Delta(Q_i^2) = \exp\left(-\sum_{b,c} \int_{Q_i^2}^{Q_{\max}^2} \frac{dQ'^2}{Q'^2} \int \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{a \to bc}(z') dz'\right) \text{ solve the equation for } Q_2$$

$$R_t = \frac{\Delta(Q_2^2)}{\Delta(Q_1^2)}$$

[probability to evolve from t1 to t2 without radiation]

(iii) Q<sub>2</sub> known (x<sub>2</sub> known), need to compute x<sub>1</sub>~z

$$P_{\mathbf{q}\to\mathbf{qg}} = \frac{4}{3} \frac{1+z^2}{1-z} \qquad R_z = \frac{\int_0^z P(z')dz'}{\int_0^1 P(z')dz'} \qquad \text{flat distributed} \\ R_z \in [0,1]$$

1 (iv) Generate random azimuthal angle  $\Phi$  flat distributed

Process ends when partons are below threshold ( $p_T,Q$ )

### Parton shower and logarithmic resummation



### Parton shower ordering

$$\mathrm{d}\mathcal{P}_{a\to bc} = \frac{\alpha_{\mathrm{s}}}{2\pi} \frac{\mathrm{d}Q^2}{Q^2} P_{a\to bc}(z) \,\mathrm{d}z \,\exp\left(-\sum_{b,c} \int_{Q^2}^{Q^2_{\mathrm{max}}} \frac{\mathrm{d}Q'^2}{Q'^2} \int \frac{\alpha_{\mathrm{s}}}{2\pi} P_{a\to bc}(z') \,\mathrm{d}z'\right)$$

In the splitting function appears only  $dQ^2/Q^2$ , therefore if P = f(z)Q<sup>2</sup> dP/P =  $dQ^2/Q^2$ 

Three main approaches to showering in use:

 $p_{\perp}^2 \approx z(1-z)m^2$  pr ordered showers  $E^2\theta^2 \approx m^2/(z(1-z))$  angular ordered showers

Two are based on the standard shower language of a  $\rightarrow$  bc successive branchings:





Large mass first ["hardness" ordered]

Covers phase space ME merging simple  $g \rightarrow qq$  simple not Lorentz invariant no stop/restart

Large angle first [not "hardness" ordered]

Gaps in coverage ME merging messy  $g \rightarrow qq$  simple not Lorentz invariant no stop/restart

Large  $p_{\perp}$  first ["hardness" ordered]  $\boldsymbol{u}$ 

ARIADNE/Pythia8:  $Q^2 = p^2_{\perp}$ 

Covers phase space ME merging simple  $g \rightarrow qq$  messy Lorentz invariant can stop/restart

ISR:  $m^2 \rightarrow -m^2$ 

ISR:  $\theta \rightarrow \theta$ 

ISR: complicated

### Color coherence



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[from G.Herten]

# Compariosn to LHC data

4 jets cross section:  $p_T^{(1)} > p_T^{(2)} > p_T^{(3)} > p_T^{(4)}$ 



### Example of processes implemented in Pythia6

No. Subprocess	No. Subprocess	No. Subprocess	No. Subprocess	No. Subprocess	No. Subprocess	No. Subprocess
Hard QCD processes:	$36  f_i \gamma \rightarrow f_k W^{\pm}$	New gauge bosons:	Higgs pairs:	Compositeness:	210 $f_i \bar{f}_j \rightarrow \tilde{\ell}_L \tilde{\nu}_i^* +$	250 $f_{ig} \rightarrow \tilde{q}_{iL} \tilde{\chi}_3$
11 $f_i f_j \rightarrow f_i f_j$	69 $\gamma \gamma \rightarrow W^+W^-$	141 $f_i \overline{f}_i \rightarrow \gamma/Z^0/Z'^0$	297 $f_i \bar{f}_j \rightarrow H^{\pm} h^0$	146 $e\gamma \rightarrow e^*$	211 $f_i\bar{f}_i \rightarrow \tilde{\tau}_1\tilde{\nu}_{\tau}^* +$	251 $f_i g \rightarrow \tilde{q}_{iR} \tilde{\chi}_3$
12 $f_i \tilde{f}_i \rightarrow f_k \tilde{f}_k$	70 $\gamma W^{\pm} \rightarrow Z^{0}W^{\pm}$	142 $f_i \bar{f}_i \rightarrow W'^+$	298 $f_i \bar{f}_j \rightarrow H^{\pm} H^0$	147 $dg \rightarrow d^*$	212 $f_i \bar{f}_i \rightarrow \tilde{\tau}_2 \tilde{\nu}_\tau^* +$	252 $f_i g \rightarrow \tilde{q}_{iL} \tilde{\chi}_4$
13 $f_i \overline{f}_i \rightarrow gg$	Prompt photons:	144 $f_i \bar{f}_i \rightarrow R$	299 $f_i \bar{f}_i \rightarrow A^0 h^0$	148 $ug \rightarrow u^*$	213 $f_i \bar{f}_i \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_i \bar{\nu}_i^*$	253 $f_i g \rightarrow \tilde{q}_{iR} \tilde{\chi}_4$
$28  f_i g \rightarrow f_i g$	14 $f_i \bar{f}_i \rightarrow g \gamma$	Heavy SM Higgs:	$300  f_i \overline{f}_i \rightarrow A^0 H^0$	167 $q_i q_j \rightarrow d^* q_k$	214 $f_i \bar{f}_i \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_{\tau} \bar{\nu}_{\tau}^*$	254 $f_{ig} \rightarrow \tilde{q}_{jL} \tilde{\chi}_{1}^{\pm}$
53 $gg \rightarrow f_k \overline{f}_k$	18 $f_i \bar{f}_i \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$	5 $Z^0Z^0 \rightarrow h^0$	$301  f_i \bar{f}_i \rightarrow H^+ H^-$	168 $q_i q_j \rightarrow u^* q_k$	216 $f_i \overline{f}_i \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1 \tilde{\chi}_1$	$256  f_i g \rightarrow \tilde{q}_{jL} \tilde{\chi}_2^{\pm}$
$68 \text{ gg} \rightarrow \text{gg}$	29 $f_i g \rightarrow f_i \gamma$	8 $W^+W^- \rightarrow h^0$	Leptoquarks:	169 $q_i \overline{q}_i \rightarrow e^{\pm} e^{+\mp}$	217 $f_i \bar{f}_i \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_2 \tilde{\chi}_2$	$258  f_i g \rightarrow \tilde{q}_{iL} \tilde{g}$
Soft QCD processes:	114 $gg \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$	71 $Z_L^0 Z_L^0 \rightarrow Z_L^0 Z_L^0$	145 $q_i \ell_j \rightarrow L_Q$	165 $f_i f_i (\rightarrow \gamma^* / Z^0) \rightarrow f_k f_k$	218 $f_i \bar{f}_i \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_3 \tilde{\chi}_3$	259 $f_i g \rightarrow \tilde{q}_{iR} \tilde{g}$
91 elastic scattering	115 $gg \rightarrow g\gamma$	72 $Z_L^0 Z_L^0 \rightarrow W_L^+ W_L^-$	162 $qg \rightarrow \ell L_Q$	166 $f_i f_j (\rightarrow W^{\pm}) \rightarrow f_k f_l$	219 $f_i \bar{f}_i \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_i \tilde{\chi}_i$	$261  f_i f_i \rightarrow \tilde{t}_1 \tilde{t}_1^*$
92 single diffraction (XB)	Deeply Inel. Scatt.:	73 $Z_L^0 W_L^{\pm} \rightarrow Z_L^0 W_L^{\pm}$	163 gg $\rightarrow L_Q \overline{L}_Q$	Extra Dimensions:	220 $f_i \bar{f}_i \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1 \tilde{\chi}_2$	$262  f_i f_i \rightarrow \tilde{t}_2 \tilde{t}_2^*$
93 single diffraction (AX)	$10  f_i f_j \rightarrow f_k f_l$	76 $W_L^+W_L^- \rightarrow Z_L^0Z_L^0$	164 $q_i \overline{q}_i \rightarrow L_Q \overline{L}_Q$	$391  \text{ff} \rightarrow \text{G}^*$	221 $f_i \bar{f}_i \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1 \tilde{\chi}_3$	263 $f_i \overline{f}_i \rightarrow \overline{t}_1 \overline{t}_2^* +$
94 double diffraction	99 $\gamma^* q \rightarrow q$	77 $W_L^{\pm}W_L^{\pm} \rightarrow W_L^{\pm}W_L^{\pm}$	Technicolor:	$392  gg \rightarrow G^*$	222 $f_1\bar{f}_1 \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1\tilde{\chi}_1$	$264 \text{ gg} \rightarrow \tilde{t}_1 \tilde{t}_1^*$
95 low- $p_{\perp}$ production	Photon-induced:	BSM Neutral Higgs:	149 gg $\rightarrow \eta_{tc}$	$393  q\overline{q} \rightarrow gG^*$	223 $f_{i}\bar{f}_{i} \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_{2}\tilde{\chi}_{2}$	$265 \text{ gg} \rightarrow t_2 t_2^*$
Open heavy flavour:	$33  f_i \gamma \rightarrow f_i g$	151 $f_i \overline{f}_i \rightarrow H^0$	191 $f_i \bar{f}_i \rightarrow \rho_{tc}^0$	$394  qg \rightarrow qG^*$	224 $f_{i}\bar{f}_{i} \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_{2}\tilde{\chi}_{3}$	271 $f_i f_j \rightarrow \tilde{q}_i L \tilde{q}_j L$
(also fourth generation)	$34  f_i \gamma \rightarrow f_i \gamma$	152 $gg \rightarrow H^0$	192 $f_i \bar{f}_j \rightarrow \rho_{ic}^+$	$395 \text{ gg} \rightarrow \text{gG}^*$	225 $f_1\overline{f_1} \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_2\chi_1$	272 $f_i f_j \rightarrow \tilde{q}_i R \tilde{q}_j R$
81 $f_i f_i \rightarrow Q_k Q_k$	54 $g\gamma \rightarrow f_k f_k$	153 $\gamma \gamma \rightarrow H^0$	193 $f_i \bar{f}_i \rightarrow \omega_{tc}^0$	Left-right symmetry:	226 $f_{i}\bar{f}_{i} \rightarrow \tilde{s}^{\pm}\bar{s}^{\mp}$	273 $f_i f_j \rightarrow \tilde{q}_{iL} \tilde{q}_{jR} +$
82 $gg \rightarrow Q_k \overline{Q}_k$	58 $\gamma \gamma \rightarrow f_k f_k$	171 $f_i \bar{f}_i \rightarrow Z^0 H^0$	194 $f_i \bar{f}_i \rightarrow f_k \bar{f}_k$	$341  \ell_i \ell_j \rightarrow H_{L_j}^{\pm \pm}$	227 $f_{\tau}\bar{f}_{\tau} \rightarrow \tilde{s}^{\pm}\tilde{s}^{\mp}$	274 $f_i f_j \rightarrow \tilde{q}_i L \tilde{q}_j^* L$
83 $q_i f_j \rightarrow Q_k f_l$	131 $f_i \gamma_T^* \rightarrow f_i g$	172 $f_i \overline{f}_j \rightarrow W^{\pm} H^0$	195 $f_i \bar{f}_i \rightarrow f_k \bar{f}_l$	342 $\ell_i \ell_j \rightarrow H_{R_+}^{\pm\pm}$	228 $f_1\overline{f_1} \rightarrow \chi_2 \chi_2$ 228 $f_1\overline{f_1} \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}^{\pm} \tilde{\chi}^{\mp}$	275 $f_i f_j \rightarrow \tilde{q}_i R \tilde{q}_j^* R$
84 $g\gamma \rightarrow Q_k \overline{Q}_k$	132 $f_i \gamma_L^* \rightarrow f_i g$	173 $f_i f_j \rightarrow f_i f_j H^0$	361 $f_i \bar{f}_i \rightarrow W_i^+ W_i^-$	343 $\ell_i^+ \gamma \rightarrow H_L^{++} e^+$	220 $t_1 t_1 \rightarrow \chi_1 \chi_2$ 220 $t_2 \overline{t_1} \rightarrow \chi_2 \chi_2^{\pm}$	276 $f_i f_j \rightarrow \tilde{q}_{iL} \tilde{q}_j^* R^+$
85 $\gamma \gamma \rightarrow F_k F_k$	133 $f_i \gamma_T^* \rightarrow f_i \gamma$	174 $f_i f_j \rightarrow f_k f_l H^0$	362 $f_c \bar{f}_c \rightarrow W^{\pm} \pi^{\mp}$	344 $\ell_i^+ \gamma \rightarrow H_R^{++} e^+$	229 $I_1I_j \rightarrow \chi_1\chi_1$ 220 $I_2\overline{I}_j \rightarrow \chi_1\chi_1$	277 $f_i f_i \rightarrow \tilde{q}_{jL} \tilde{q}_{jL}^*$
Closed heavy flavour:	134 $f_i \gamma_L^* \rightarrow f_i \gamma$	181 $gg \rightarrow Q_k \overline{Q}_k H^0$	363 $f_i \overline{f}_i \rightarrow \pi_i^+ \pi_i^-$	345 $\ell_i^+ \gamma \rightarrow H_L^{++} \mu_{+}^+$	230 $f_i f_j \rightarrow \chi_2 \chi_1$ 221 $f_i f_j \rightarrow \chi_2 \chi_1$	278 $f_i f_i \rightarrow \tilde{q}_j R \tilde{q}_j^* R$
86 $gg \rightarrow J/\psi g$	135 $g\gamma_T \rightarrow f_i f_i$	182 $q_i \overline{q}_i \rightarrow Q_k \overline{Q}_k H^0$	364 $f_i \overline{f}_i \rightarrow \gamma \pi_{ic}^0$	346 $\ell_i^+ \gamma \rightarrow H_{R^+}^{+-} \mu^+$	$\begin{array}{ccc} 231 & I_i I_j \rightarrow \chi_3 \chi_1 \\ 232 & I_i \overline{I} \rightarrow \chi_i \chi_1 \end{array}$	279 $gg \rightarrow \tilde{q}_{iL}\tilde{q}_{iL}^*$
87 $gg \rightarrow \chi_{0c}g$	136 $g\gamma_L \rightarrow f_i f_i$	183 $f_i \bar{f}_i \rightarrow g H^0$	365 $f_i\bar{f}_i \rightarrow \gamma \pi'^0$	347 $\ell_i^- \gamma \rightarrow H_L^- \tau^+$	232 $I_i I_j \rightarrow \chi_4 \chi_1$ 232 $I_i \overline{I}_j \rightarrow \chi_4 \chi_1$	280 $gg \rightarrow \tilde{q}_{iR}\tilde{q}_{iR}$
88 $gg \rightarrow \chi_{1c}g$	137 $\gamma_T \gamma_T \rightarrow f_i f_i$	$184  f_i g \rightarrow f_i H^0$	$366  f_{\tau} \overline{f}_{\tau} \rightarrow Z^{0} \pi^{0}$	348 $\ell_i^- \gamma \rightarrow \Pi_R^- \tau^+$	$\begin{array}{ccc} 233 & I_i I_j \rightarrow \chi_1 \chi_2 \\ 024 & 5 \overline{5} & -5 & 5 \end{array}$	281 $bq_i \rightarrow \tilde{b}_1 \tilde{q}_{iL}$
89 gg $\rightarrow \chi_{2c}$ g	138 $\gamma_T^* \gamma_L^* \rightarrow f_i f_i$	$185 \text{ gg} \rightarrow \text{gH}^0$	$367  f_1\overline{f_1} \rightarrow Z^0 \pi'^0$	$\begin{array}{ccc} 349 & \mathbf{f}_i \mathbf{f}_i \rightarrow \mathbf{H}_L^+ \mathbf{H}_L \\ \overline{\mathbf{f}}_i \end{array}$	234 $t_i t_j \rightarrow \chi_2 \chi_2^-$	282 $bq_i \rightarrow b_2 \tilde{q}_{iR}$
104 gg $\rightarrow \chi_{0c}$	139 $\gamma_L^* \gamma_T^* \rightarrow f_i f_i$	156 $f_i \bar{f}_i \rightarrow A^0$	368 $f_{1}\overline{f}_{1} \rightarrow W^{\pm} \pi^{\mp}$	$350  f_i f_i \rightarrow H_R H_R$	230 $I_i I_j \rightarrow \chi_3 \chi_2$	283 $bq_i \rightarrow \tilde{b}_1 \tilde{q}_{iR} +$
105 gg $\rightarrow \chi_{2c}$	140 $\gamma_L \gamma_L \rightarrow f_i f_i$	157 $gg \rightarrow A^0$	$370$ $t\bar{t} \rightarrow W^{\pm} \pi_{tc}^{0}$	$351  f_i t_j \rightarrow f_k t_l H_L^{}$	230 $I_i I_j \rightarrow \chi_4 \chi_2^-$	284 $b\bar{q}_i \rightarrow \bar{b}_1 \tilde{q}_i^* L$
$106 \text{ gg} \rightarrow J/\psi\gamma$	80 $q_i \gamma \rightarrow q_k \pi^{\pm}$	158 $\gamma \gamma \rightarrow \Lambda^0$	$370$ $m_J \rightarrow m_L Z_L$ $371$ $t.\bar{t} \rightarrow W^{\pm} - 0$	$352  f_i t_j \rightarrow f_k t_l H_R^{-1}$	$237  t_i t_i \rightarrow g \chi_1$	285 $b\overline{q}_i \rightarrow \overline{b}_2 \tilde{q}_i R$
$107  g\gamma \rightarrow J/\psi g$	Light SM Higgs:	176 $f_i f_i \rightarrow Z^0 A^0$	$371  h_{1j} \rightarrow w_L u_{tc}$ $372  t \bar{t} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} 7^0$	$353  f_i f_i \rightarrow Z_R$	238 $t_i t_i \rightarrow g \chi_2$	286 $b\bar{q}_i \rightarrow \tilde{b}_1 \tilde{q}_i R^+$
$108 \gamma \gamma \rightarrow J/\psi \gamma$	$3  f_i f_i \rightarrow h^0$	177 $f_i f_j \rightarrow W^{\pm} A^0$	$372  f_{11} \rightarrow \pi_{1c} L_L$ $372  f_{c} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} = 0$	$354  f_i f_j \rightarrow W_R^2$	239 $f_i f_i \rightarrow g \chi_3$	287 $f_i \bar{f}_i \rightarrow \tilde{b}_1 \tilde{b}_1^*$
W/Z production:	$24  f_i f_i \rightarrow Z^0 h^0$	178 $f_i f_j \rightarrow f_i f_j A^0$	$373  r_{t}r_{j} \rightarrow \pi_{tc}\pi_{tc}$ $374  f.\overline{f} \rightarrow c.\overline{f}^{\pm}$	SUSY:	240 $f_i f_i \rightarrow g \chi_4$	288 $f_i \bar{f}_i \rightarrow \tilde{b}_2 \tilde{b}_2^*$
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$23  f_i f_j \rightarrow Z^{\circ} W^{\perp}$	$103 \gamma \gamma \rightarrow h^0$	188 $f_i f_i \rightarrow g A^0$	$311  f_i f_j \rightarrow W^- \pi_{tc}$	$204  f_i f_i \rightarrow \tilde{\mu}_L \tilde{\mu}_L$	$244  gg \rightarrow gg$	292 $bb \rightarrow \tilde{b}_2 \tilde{b}_2$
25 $f_i f_i \rightarrow W^+ W^-$	110 $f_i f_i \rightarrow \gamma h^0$	189 $f_i g \rightarrow f_i A^0$	$q_i q_j \rightarrow q_i q_j$ $q_i q_j \rightarrow q_i q_j$	205 $f_i f_i \rightarrow \bar{\mu}_R \bar{\mu}_R$	246 $f_{ig} \rightarrow q_{iL}\chi_1$	293 bb $\rightarrow \tilde{b}_1 \tilde{b}_2$
15 $f_i f_i \rightarrow gZ^{\vee}$	111 $f_i f_i \rightarrow gh^0$	190 $gg \rightarrow gA^{\circ}$	$362  q_i q_i \rightarrow q_k q_k$ $383  q_i \overline{q}_i \rightarrow q_k$	206 $f_i f_i \rightarrow \tilde{\mu}_L \tilde{\mu}_R +$	247 $I_i g \rightarrow q_i R \chi_1$	294 $bg \rightarrow \tilde{b}_1 \tilde{g}$
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### Process simulation

#### Many specialized processes already available in Pythia8/Herwig++

but, processes usually only implemented in lowest non-trivial order ...

Need external programs that ...

- 1. include higher order loop corrections or, alternatively, do kinematic dependent rescaling
- 3. allow matching of higher order ME generators [otherwise need to trust parton shower description ...]
- provide correct spin correlations often absent in PS ...[e.g. top produced unpolarized, while t → bW → blv decay correct]
- 7. simulate newly available physics scenarios ... [appear quickly; need for many specialised generators]

#### Les Houches Accord ...

Specifies how parton-level information about the hard process and sequential decays can be encoded and passed on to a general-purpose generator.

Les Houches: regular annual meeting between theoreticians and experimentalists on MC generator developments.



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# Specialised Generators [some examples]



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[F. Maltoni]

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- Parton Shower: attaches gluons at each leg.
- only in soft-collinear approxmation
- typically underestimate large angle/hard emission
- 1) or 2) at ME (different generations, different accuracy: cannot be combined



#### Type 2 : Leading order matrix element & leading log parton shower + merging



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1 parton 2 partons  $p_1$  $p_2$  $p_2$  $p_1$  $p_2$  $p_2$ 

Consequences:

all jets with  $p_T > 20$  GeV and  $\Delta R > 0.4$  to other jets come from ME collinear and soft jets come from PS Use each of them where they are best.

### W+jets distributions



#### Type III : Next-to-leading order ME & leading-log parton shower



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 $|ME|^2 = |ME + PS - PS(up to a_s^2)|^2$ 

- + Result is exact at NLO...
- produce some negative weights, need retuning for each PS

# Merging @NLO (quite new, going to be used at 13 TeV)



- FxFx (Frederix-Frixione) merging
- 1) define a matching scale  $\mu_Q$ ;
- 2) don't allow **S** events with  $p_T > \mu_Q$ (those will be provided by **H** events of n-1 partons NLO real emission); the restriction is imposed both at ME and on the shower starting scale  $\mu < \mu_Q$

3) treat the obtained events as LO ones and apply an LO-style merging (this allow to produce smoother distributions)



### Let's recap



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[T. Gleisberg et al., JHEP02 (2004) 056]

# From partons to color neutral hadrons

#### Fragmentation:

Parton splitting into other partons [QCD: re-summation of leading-logs] ["Parton shower"]

#### Hadronization:

Parton shower forms hadrons [non-perturbative, only models]

Decay of unstable hadrons [perturbative QCD, electroweak theory]



[Modelling relies on phenomenological models available]

Models based on MC simulations very successful:

Generation of complete final states ... [Needed by experimentalists in detector simulation]

Caveat: tunable ad-hoc parameters

Most popular MC models:

Pythia/8 : Lund string model Herwig/++ : Cluster model

# Independent fragmentation of each parton

Simplest approach: [Field, Feynman, Nucl. Phys. B136 (1978) 1]

Start with original quark Generate quark-antiquark pairs from vacuum

- → form "primary meson" with energy fraction z
   Continue with leftover quark with energy fraction 1-z
   Stop at low energies (cut-off)
- Include flavour non-perturbative fragmentation functions D(z)
- D(z): probability to find a meson/hadror with energy fraction z in jet ...



# Lund String Model

[Andersson et al., Phys. Rep. 97 (1983) 31]

QCD potential:



String formation between initial quark-antiquark pair

- String breaks up if potential energy large enough to produce a new quark-antiquark pair
- Gluons = 'kinks' in string
- At low energy: hadron formation
- Very widely used ...
   [default in Pythia 6/8]

After: Ellis et al., QCD and Collider Physics

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Energy-momentum quantities can be read from space-time quantities ...





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Simple but powerful picture of hadron production

[with extensions to massive quarks, baryons, ...]

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# **Cluster Model**

[Webber, Nucl. Phys. B238 (1984) 492]

Color flow confined during hadronisation process

 Formation of color-neutral parton clusters

Gluons (color-anticolor) split to quark-antiquark pairs

Clusters decay into 2 hadrons according to phase-space, i.e. isotropically

 no free tuning parameters parton clusters

Very widely used ... [default in Herwig/Herwig++]



### Hadronisation models summary

String		Cluster Cluste
Model	Pythia6/8 (string)	Herwig/Herwig++ /
Energy-mom. picture	powerful	simple
	predictive	unpredictive
Parameters	few	many
Flavour composition	messy	simple
	unpredictive	in-between
Parameters	many	few

# Structure of basic generator process [by order of consideration]

From the 'simple' to the 'complex' or from 'calculable' at large scales to 'modelled; at small

#### Matrix elements (ME)

 Hard subprocess: [M]<sup>2</sup>, Breit Wigners, PDFs



2. Resonance decays: Includes particle correlations



#### Parton Shower (PS)



### Conclusions: Structure of basic generator process

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#### Underlying Event (UE)

5. Multi-parton interaction:



6. Beam remnants:



#### Stable Particle State



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[from G.Herten]
The DGLAP evolution equation is said to resum large collinear logarithms. So where are these logarithsm, and where is the resummation?

Let's perform the integration of the DGLAP equation and expand the result:

$$\begin{split} f(x,t) &= f_0(x) + \int_{t_0}^t \frac{dt'}{t'} \frac{\alpha_s(t')}{2\pi} \int_x^1 \frac{dx}{z} P(x) q\left(\frac{x}{z},t'\right) \\ &= f_0(x) + \int_{t_0}^t \frac{dt'}{t'} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \int_x^1 \frac{dx}{z} P(z) \bigg\{ f_0\left(\frac{x}{z}\right) + \\ &+ \int_{t_0}^{t'} \frac{dt''}{t''} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \int_{x/z}^1 \frac{dx'}{z'} P(z') \left[ f_0\left(\frac{x}{zz'}\right) + \dots \right] \bigg\} \\ &= f_0(x) + \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \ln\left(\frac{t}{t_0}\right) \int_x^1 \frac{dz}{z} P(z) f_0\left(\frac{x}{z}\right) + \\ &+ \frac{1}{2!} \left[ \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \ln\left(\frac{t}{t_0}\right) \right]^2 \int_x^1 \frac{dz}{z} P(z) \int_{x/z}^1 \frac{dz'}{z'} P(z') f_0\left(\frac{x}{zz'}\right) + \dots \end{split}$$

As suggested by the last step, it is indeed a resummation of all terms B. Di Micco proportional to  $\left[\frac{2t}{2t}\ln\left(\frac{t}{t_0}\right)\right]^n$ .

[from J.Alwall]





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