### Dependence of Z+multi-jet events on the merging scale in TMD multi-jet merging EPS-HEP 2023

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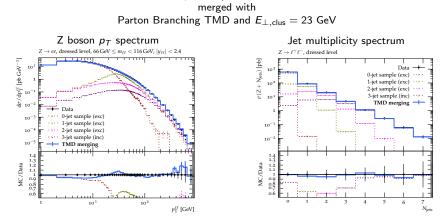
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# TMD multi-jet merging for Z+jets

A. Bermudez Martinez, F. Hautmann, M.L. Mangano [JHEP 09 (2022) 060] TMD multi-jet merging method

- Include higher order matrix element contributions; hard emissions
- Combining ME with Parton Branching TMDs and TMD ISR within CASCADE3 Baranov S., AMvK, et al. [Eur.Phys.J.C 81 (2021) 5, 425]

Z + 0,1,2,3 jets at  $\sqrt{s}$  = 8 TeV,  $m_{\parallel} \simeq m_Z$ 



- TMD merging predictions accurate up to high jet  $p_T$  and large  $N_{jets}$  due to properly combining matrix element and parton showers
- Combination depends on merging parameters:

 $R_{\rm clus}, E_{\perp,{\rm clus}}, \eta_{max,{\rm clus}}$ 

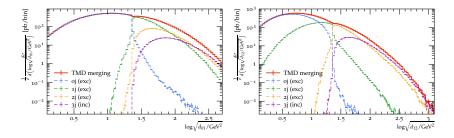
- The merging scale E<sub>⊥,clus</sub> separates hard radiation from soft radiation. Hard radiation should come from the matrix element: p<sub>T</sub> > E<sub>⊥,clus</sub> Soft radiation should come from the parton shower: p<sub>T</sub> < E<sub>⊥,clus</sub>
- Does this methodology still work when we move away from the Z mass and to events with a very different hard scale?
- Interesting question in its own right and from experimental point of view; measurements of Z + jets starting to be performed e.g. by *CMS collaboration* in [Eur.Phys.J.C 83 (2023) 7, 628]

#### Differential jet rates for test of methodology

Test of merging algorithm: **Differential jet rates (DJRs)**  $d_{ij}$  $d_{i,(i+1)}$  contains the squared energy scale at which an *i*-jet configuration is resolved in an (i + 1)-jet configuration

The **smoothness** of DJRs is a strong indication of the efficiency and accuracy of the merging algorithm.

Z+jets  $@\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV with  $m_{ll} \simeq m_Z$  and  $E_{\perp,clus} = 23$  GeV  $k_T$  jet algorithm



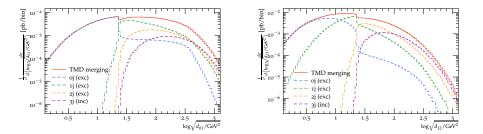
Generate DY hard scattering events with high di-lepton mass with MADGRAPH5:

 $m_{||} = 800 \,\,{\rm GeV}$ 

TMD PDFs + TMD shower + TMD merging with CASCADE3

Calculated DJRs show large discontinuities when

$$E_{\perp, clus} \equiv \mu_m = 23 \text{GeV}$$

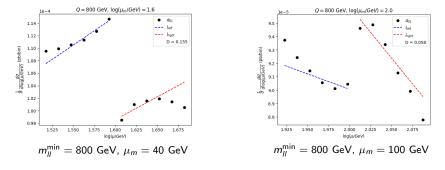


#### Definition of smoothness in DJR

- Zoom on merging scale region in d<sub>01</sub>
- Fit tangent lines to both sides of the discontinuity:  $I = a \log(\sqrt{d_{ij}}) + b$ 
  - Oth-order discontinuity equals: *l<sub>left</sub>(μ<sub>m</sub>) l<sub>right</sub>(μ<sub>m</sub>)*
  - 1st-order discontinuity includes slope:  $a_{left}\delta a_{right}\delta$
- Result is the following quantification of discontinuity:

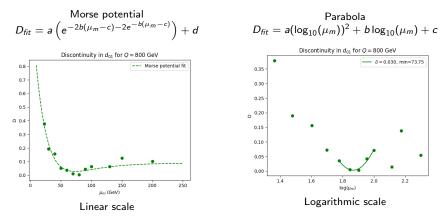
$$D(Q, \mu_m) = \frac{|L_l(\mu_m) - L_r(\mu_m)|}{(L_l(\mu_m) + L_r(\mu_m))/2}$$

with  $L_i(\mu) = I_i(\mu) + a_i \cdot \delta$ .



# Smoothness distribution from $d_{01}$ analysis

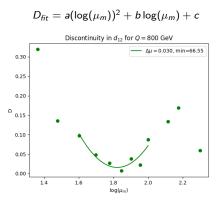
- Distribution of discontinuity D versus the merging scale  $\mu_m$  values
- Minimum discontinuity reflects the merging scale that works well  $\mu_m^{(0)}$



- Shape of this distribution is "Morse potential"-like (nuclear physics)
- Use polynomial fit through points near the minimum

### Smoothness distribution from $d_{12}$ analysis

- Move to higher order DJR:  $d_{12}$
- Observe similar behavior of discontinuities



 $\bullet\,$  Log scale, smoothest DJR at  $\mu_m \sim 10^{1.85} \simeq 70~{\rm GeV}$ 

#### Theoretical uncertainties

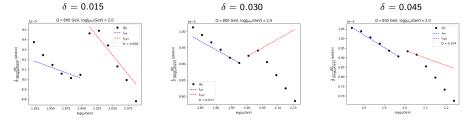
Which sources of uncertainty on  $\mu_m^{(0)}$ ? Two uncertainty sources at DJR level:

- Statistical: Monte Carlo errors calculated by varying DJR using  $\sigma_{MC}$ ; tiny variations,  $\leq 0.5\%$
- Systematic: bin size of DJR  $\delta = \Delta \log(\sqrt{d_{ij}/\text{GeV}^2})$

#### Bin size uncertainties

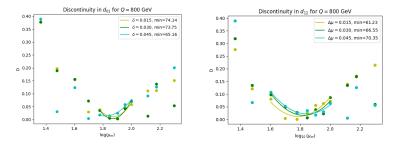
- Vary bin size  $\delta$  by adding bins of DJR to have  $\delta \in \{0.015, 0.030, 0.045\}$
- Tangent line fitted only through a few data points:
  - $\delta = 0.015$ : fit of  $I(\mu)$  through 4 data points
  - $\delta = 0.030$ : fit of  $I(\mu)$  through 2 data points
  - $\delta = 0.045$ : fit of  $I(\mu)$  through 2 data points

Example  $d_{01}$  for  $m_{\parallel}=$  800 GeV,  $\mu_m=$  100 GeV



# Systematic uncertainties

Three distributions D for the same hard scale Q for  $d_{01}$  (left) and  $d_{12}$  (right):



- Shape of discontinuity most pronounced near minimum
- Bin size uncertainty calculated by:

$$\sigma_{bin.} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \max_{k} \mu_{m,k}^{(0)} - \min_{k} \mu_{m,k}^{(0)} \right)$$
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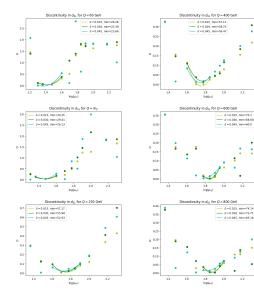
A second source of systematic uncertainty: number of data points used for fitting D.

### Multiple DY mass windows

Six sets of hard scattering events (LHE) with hard scales  $Q = m_{II}$ :

- Q = 60 GeV:  $m_{II}^{\min} = 58 \text{ GeV}, \ m_{II}^{\max} = 62 \text{ GeV}$
- $Q \simeq m_Z$ :  $m_{II}^{\min} = 40 \text{ GeV}$
- Q = 250, 400, 600, 800 GeV:  $m_{ll}^{\min} = Q$
- Shape of discontinuity distributions for various masses is similar!
- Remarkable observation: minimum  $\mu_m^{(0)}$  shifts with the increase of the hard scale!

Same features at higher order DJR  $d_{12}$ 



### Final results

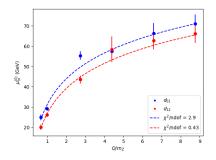
- Plot results for merging scales  $\mu_m^{(0)}$  versus the hard scale Q with  $\sigma = \sqrt{\sigma_{bin}^2 + \sigma_{stat.}^2}$
- Data from  $d_{01}$  and  $d_{12}$  follow similar pattern Find the functional form of  $\mu_m^{(0)}(Q)$ :
  - Ansatz; logarithmic behavior with off-set
  - Z boson mass used in ansatz to fix the units
  - Leaves two free parameters to fit

$$\mu_m^{(0)} = m_Z \left( a + b \ln \left( \frac{m_{ll}}{m_Z} \right) \right)$$

Fits result in

$$\mu_m^{(0)}(m_{ll}) = m_Z \left( 0.34 + 0.20 \ln \left( \frac{m_{ll}}{m_Z} \right) \right) \quad \text{for } d_{01}$$
$$\mu_m^{(0)}(m_{ll}) = m_Z \left( 0.29 + 0.20 \ln \left( \frac{m_{ll}}{m_Z} \right) \right) \quad \text{for } d_{12}$$

Note that  $\mu_m^{(0)}\simeq m_Z/3$  in case  $m_{II}=m_Z$ 



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- Studies on differential jet rates of Z + jets in TMD merging
- A measure for smoothness *D* is defined which includes two orders of discontinuity: the zeroth and first order.
- Jet merging is studied for varying di-lepton masses from 60 GeV up to 800 GeV
- Systematic (bin size) and statistical (Monte Carlo) uncertainties are included
- An expression for the merging scale dependence on the DY mass is found corresponding to results from both analyses of  $d_{01}$  as  $d_{12}$ :

$$E_{\perp, \text{clus}}^{(0)}(m_{ll}) = \mu_m^{(0)}(m_{ll}) = m_Z \left[ 0.3 + 0.2 \ln \left( \frac{m_{ll}}{m_Z} \right) \right]$$

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# Combining PB with higher orders

#### Matching TMD and NLO

- Match with MC@NLO procedure, subtraction terms HERWIG6
- Intermediate  $p_T$  region described
- Deficit at large p<sub>T</sub>

#### Multi-jet merging at TMD level New!

- Include higher fixed-order calculations: multi-jets
- Make ME exclusive by Sudakov suppression
- Avoid double counting between initial state TMD evolution & hard emissions

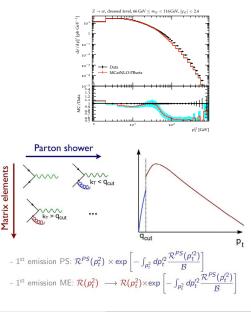
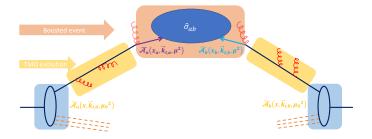


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# TMD merging

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- **()** Evaluate n-jet matrix elements:  $\hat{\sigma}_{ab}$
- Reweight the strong coupling
- **③** Apply forward PB-TMD evolution with condition:  $|k_t|^2 \le \mu_{min}^2$
- Shower the events using the backward PB evolution
- Apply MLM<sup>1</sup> prescription between boosted events and the showered events



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Other merging prescriptions can potentially also be used