### Multi-Jet cross section at NLO accuracy in QCD with NJet

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### Multi-Jet Production

- Test of QCD
- Constrain coupling  $\alpha_{\rm s}$ and PDFs

Signal Process: Background Process:

• crucial for physics search beyond the standard model

#### **Multi-jet production at leading order (LO):**

- well automated tools like Alpgen, Madgraph, Sherpa+Comix
- multiplicities up to 12 jets possible
- rough estimate, though residual dependence on renormalisation scale

For precision jet physcis, next-to-leading order (NLO) accuracy required

# Multi-Jet Production @ NLO



In this talk:

• 3-jet and 4-jet production at the LHC for 8 TeV at NLO

• massless QCD (massless b-quark in the initial state, top quark integrated out)

$$
pp \to n \text{ jets} \qquad (a) \text{ NLO}
$$

$$
d\sigma_n = d\sigma_n^{\text{LO}} + \delta d\sigma_n^{\text{NLO}} + O(\alpha_s^{n+2})
$$

$$
\sim \alpha_s^n \qquad \sim \alpha_s^{n+1}
$$

NLO contribution with dipole subtraction: [Catani, Seymour 1996]

$$
\delta \sigma^{\text{NLO}} = \int\limits_{n} \left( d\sigma_n^{\text{V}} + \int\limits_{1} d\sigma_{n+1}^{\text{S}} \right) + \int\limits_{n} d\sigma_n^{\text{Fac.}} + \int\limits_{n+1} \left( d\sigma_{n+1}^{\text{R}} - d\sigma_{n+1}^{\text{S}} \right)
$$



### Virtual Corrections

**Rapid grow in complexity with increasing number of external legs** e.g. 6-gluon one-loop amplitude around 15000 diagrams **→→** use method of generalised unitarity

#### **Ansätze for automation of virtual corrections:**

**NJet** [Badger, BB, Uwer, Yundin 2012] *public code*

GoSam, Golem95, Samurai, FeynArts, *public codes* Helac-1loop, Cuttools *public codes*

Blackhat, MadLoop, Rocket, OpenLoops *private codes* "numerical loop integration" [Becker et al.] *private codes*

### NJet – what you get

provides full colour summed 1-loop amplitudes for all channels of 2-jet, 3-jet, 4-jet and 5-jet production in massless QCD

Based on NGluon [Badger, BB, Uwer 2011] generalised Unitarity with tree-level amplitudes as input to compute ordered 1-loop amplitudes with arbitrarily many legs

Equipped with Binoth Les Houche accord interface [Binoth et al. 2009] to be linked trivially with standard Monte Carlo Programs

Download at: www.bitbucket.org/njet/njet/downloads www.physik.hu-berlin.de/pep/tools arXiv:1209.0100

- detailed analytical checks (IR-, UV-poles, [Nagy,Bern, Dixon, Kosower,Forde…]
- checks against individual phase space points from existing codes (Helac, Gosam, BlackHat)

# Colour, loop, primitives & co



### NJet – how it works

• Primitive amplitudes computed with generalised unitarity / integrand reduction techniques<br>
[Clis, Giele, Kunszt]<br>
[Ellis, Giele, Kunszt]

[Britto, Cachazo, Feng, Mastrolia]

- Berends-Giele recursion for the tree amplitudes [Berends, Giele 1986]
- Construction of the amplitudes in terms of primitives along the lines of [Ellis, Giele, Kunszt, Melnikov, Zanderighi]
- Sophisticated cache system to reuse tree-amplitudes when doing the permutation and helicity sums
- Dynamical switch on the fly between double and quadruple precision

[Hida, Li, Bailey]

- QCDLoop and FF for scalar integrals [van Oldenborgh 1990; Ellis, Zanderighi 2008]
- Written in C++ and in Python

### Timings for the Virtuals



Basic channels for 4-jet production:

$$
0 \to gggggg \qquad 0 \to q\overline{q}q'\overline{q}'gg
$$

$$
0 \to q\overline{q}gggg \qquad 0 \to q\overline{q}q'\overline{q}'q''\overline{q}''
$$

### Numerical set up

- MSTW2008 PDF set
- anti-kt jet algorithm as implemented in FastJet with jet radius R=0.4
- Massless QCD, 5-flavour scheme
- $\bullet$  set  $\mu_f=\mu_r\equiv \mu$  and use dynamical scale base on sum of the transverse momentum of the final state partons

$$
\hat{H}_T = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{parton}}} p_{T,i}^{\text{parton}} \qquad \mu = \hat{H}_T/2
$$

- Scale variation:
- Kinematical cuts: Transverse momentum of the first jet pt > 80 GeV, subsequent jets at least pt > 60 GeV, Rapidity: eta < 2.8

[ATLAS 2011, BlackHat 2011]

[Cacciari, Salam, Soyez 2012]

Cross Sections

$$
\sigma_n^{\text{NLO}} = \sigma_n^{\text{LO}} + \delta \sigma_n^{\text{NLO}}
$$

Confirmed results at 7 TeV:

$$
\sigma_3^{7\text{TeV-LO}} = 93.40(0.03)^{+50.37}_{-30.34} \text{ nb} \qquad \sigma_4^{7\text{TeV-LO}} = 9.97(0.02) \text{ nb}
$$
  
\n
$$
\sigma_3^{7\text{TeV-NLO}} = 53.74(0.16)^{+2.06}_{-20.72} \text{ nb} \qquad \sigma_4^{7\text{TeV-NLO}} = 5.56(0.17) \text{ nb}
$$
  
\n
$$
\longrightarrow \text{Excellent agreement with [Bern et. al. 2011]}
$$

New results at 8 TeV:

$$
\sigma_3^{8TeV\text{-}LO} = 126.65(0.05)_{-40.40}^{+66.56} \text{ nb}, \quad \sigma_4^{8TeV\text{-}LO} = 14.36(0.01)_{-5.6}^{+10.38} \text{ nb}, \n\sigma_3^{8TeV\text{-}NLO} = 72.57(0.16)_{-28.08}^{+2.71} \text{ nb}, \quad \sigma_4^{8TeV\text{-}NLO} = 8.15(0.09)_{-3.24}^{+0.0} \text{ nb}.
$$

### Distributions for 3-jets



### Distributions for 4-jets



# The total jet cross section

In addition to the 3-jet and 4-jet cross section, we evaluated also the 2-jet cross section:

 $\sigma_2^{\text{8TeV-LO}} = 1234.9(1.2)$  nb  $\sigma_2^{\text{STeV-NLO}} = 1524.9(2.8)$  nb

Estimate of the total jet cross section: appr. **1600 nb**

Ratio between 2-jet, 3-jet and 4-jet cross section:  $1:0.05:0.005$ 

Is the four jet rate relevant?

Answer: YES!!! At the level of differential distributions the ratios become less extreme.

### Ratio between 3 and 4 jets



Small ratio of total four jet and three jet cross section mainly due to low pt region. At high pt the ratio increases up to 0.5 (at NLO)

### Conclusion

- 3-jet and 4-jet production at 8 TeV for the LHC with NJet and Sherpa have been presented
- NLO cross sections reduce LO result by around 45%
- Results at 8 TeV increased around 35 % 50 % with respect to 7 TeV due to larger parton flux at higher energies
- Dynamical scale setting gives almost constant K-factor for differential distributions
- Large corrections at low pt may require beyond fixed order calculation All ingredients for matching NLO to a parton shower are publicly available
- Agreement of individual phase space points of NJet with other existing codes and perfect agreement of full cross sections with results from BlackHat
- NJet is publicly available, includes 2-jet, 3-jet, 4-jet and 5-jet production

### Extra slides

### Caching full tree amplitudes



1. Loop Momentum must agree Necessary conditions:

- 2.External and loop flavours must agree
- 3.External helicities must agree



### Scalar Integral Basis

Decomposition of an arbitrary one-loop amplitude: [Passarino, Veltman1979]



$$
\mathcal{I}_{ijkl}^{(4)} = \int \mathrm{d}^{[4]} l \frac{\overline{D_i D_j D_k D_l}}{\overline{D_i D_j D_k D_l}}
$$

$$
D_i = (p_i + l)^2 - m_i^2
$$

computation of one-loop amplitudes = determination of integral coefficients

No tadpoles in massless theories

### Integrand Properties

Focus on the **integrand**  $\mathcal{F}_n(l)$  of the amplitudes

$$
\mathcal{A}_n^{\text{loop}} = \int \mathrm{d}^4 l \, \mathcal{F}_n(l) + \mathcal{A}_n^{\text{rat}} \qquad \qquad \begin{array}{l} \text{[Ossola,Papadopoulos,Pittau]}\\ \text{[Ellis, Giele, Kunstl]}\\ \text{[Britto, Cachazo, Feng, Mastrolia]}\\ \mathcal{F}_n(l) = \sum_{\{ijkl\}} \frac{\overline{d}_{ijkl}(l)}{D_i D_j D_k D_l} + \sum_{\{ijk\}} \frac{\overline{c}_{ijk}(l)}{D_i D_j D_k} + \sum_{\{ij\}} \frac{\overline{b}_{ij}(l)}{D_i D_j} \end{array}
$$

Numerators:loop-momentum independent part **<sup>+</sup>**spurious terms

Spurious terms: loop-momentum tensors which vanish after integration

Loop-momentum independent part is the desired integral coefficient

### Box Example

**Integrand**  $\mathcal{F}_n(l)$ :

$$
\mathcal{F}_n(l) = \sum_{\{ijkl\}} \frac{\overline{d}_{ijkl}(l)}{D_i D_j D_k D_l} + \sum_{\{ijk\}} \frac{\overline{c}_{ijk}(l)}{D_i D_j D_k} + \sum_{\{ij\}} \frac{\overline{b}_{ij}(l)}{D_i D_j}
$$

**Tensor structure** of a general box part  $\overline{d}(l)$  well known:

$$
\overline{d}(l) = d_0 + \tilde{d}(l)
$$
  
=  $d_0 + d_1 \varepsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} p_1^{\mu} p_2^{\nu} p_3^{\rho} l^{\sigma}$   

$$
\int d^4 l \frac{d_0 + \tilde{d}(l)}{D_i D_j D_k D_l} = d_0 \int d^4 l \frac{1}{D_i D_j D_k D_l} = d_0 \mathcal{I}^{(4)}
$$

Compute  $\overline{d}(l)$  for two different l  $\longrightarrow$  system of equations  $\longrightarrow$  determine  $d_0$ 

How do weget  $\overline{d}(l)$ ?

### Partial fractioning the integrand

$$
\mathcal{F}_n(l) = \sum_{\{ijkl\}} \frac{\overline{d}_{ijkl}(l)}{D_i D_j D_k D_l} + \sum_{\{ijk\}} \frac{\overline{c}_{ijk}(l)}{D_i D_j D_k} + \sum_{\{ij\}} \frac{\overline{b}_{ij}(l)}{D_i D_j}
$$
\nknown!

\n• multiply with  $D_i D_j D_k D_l$ 

\n• set loop momentum on-shell:

\n
$$
l = l_c^{\pm} \longrightarrow D_i = D_j = D_k = D_l = 0
$$
\n
$$
\overline{d}_{ijkl}(l_c^{\pm}) = \mathcal{F}_n(l_c^{\pm}) D_i D_j D_k D_l
$$
\n
$$
\equiv \mathcal{A}_{i,j-1}^{\text{tree}}(l_c^{\pm}) \mathcal{A}_{j,k-1}^{\text{tree}}(l_c^{\pm}) \mathcal{A}_{k,l-1}^{\text{tree}}(l_c^{\pm}) \mathcal{A}_{l,i-1}^{\text{tree}}(l_c^{\pm})
$$
\n
$$
\equiv \text{Product of four tree amplitudes}
$$

Integral coefficient:

$$
\longrightarrow \quad d_0 = \frac{1}{2} \left( \overline{d}_{ijkl} (l_c^+) + \overline{d}_{ijkl} (l_c^-) \right)
$$

 $\overline{k}$ 

### Rational Part

1. Absorb epsilon dependence in effective (complex) mass:

*l*<sub>[4-2
$$
\varepsilon
$$
] = *l*<sub>[4]</sub> + *l*<sub>[-2 $\varepsilon$ ]  
\n*l*<sub>[4-2 $\varepsilon$ ] = *l*<sub>[4]</sub> - *l*<sub>[-2 $\varepsilon$ ]  
\n*l*<sub>[4-2 $\varepsilon$ ] = *l*<sub>[4]</sub> - *l*<sub>[-2 $\varepsilon$ ]  
\n*l*<sub>[0,2 $\varepsilon$ ]  
\n*l*<sub>[-2 $\varepsilon$ ]  
\n*l*<sub>[-2</sub></sub></sub></sub></sub></sub></sub></sub></sub></sub></sub></sub></sub></sub></sub></sub></sub></sub></sub></sub></sub></sub></sub></sub></sub></sub></sub></sub></sub></sub></sub></sub>

Integrand for the rational part is a polynomial in  $\mu^2$ .

2. Expand integral basis in higher integer dimension and take  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$  limit

$$
\mathcal{A}_n^{rat} = -\frac{1}{6} \sum_{i,j,k,l} C_{4;i|j|k|l}^{[4]} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j,k} C_{3;i|j|k}^{[2]} - \sum_{i,j} \frac{s_{i,j-1}}{6} C_{2;i|j}^{[2]}
$$

"constant"

Integral coefficient

[Giele, Kunszt, Melnikov 2008] [Badger 2009]

- •Additional hidden pentagon contributions
- $\bullet$ Use SUSY relations to interpret "rational gluons" as scalar contributions
- •Use the same four dimensional techniques