

*C++ School 11-15 November, DESY*

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# Our Small C++ Project

A simple MC generator to  
calculate Z production at Born  
level

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# Cross section

The Born level cross section is phase space integral of the matrix elements and the observable and it is convoluted to the parton distribution functions (PDFs):

$$\sigma = \int_0^1 d\eta_a \int_0^1 d\eta_b \int d\Gamma(\eta_a, \eta_b; \{p, f\}_m) \\ \times f_{a/A}(\eta_a, \mu^2) f_{b/B}(\eta_b, \mu^2) \\ \times |M(\{p, f\}_m)|^2 F(\{p, f\}_m)$$

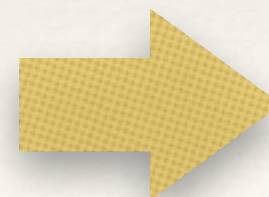
*Phase space*

*PDFs*

*Matrix element*

*Observables*

The event is an array of *momenta* and *flavor* of the incoming and outgoing partons.



*Need a Lorentz vector*

# Lorentz vector: Three vector

Lorentz vector has 3 space-like and 1 time-like component. The space-like part is the usual three vector with X, Y, Z component. Thus first we want to define a class that represents three vectors.

```
class threevector
{
protected:
    // data member
    double _M_x, _M_y, _M_z;

    // constructors
    threevector(const threevector&) = default; // defaulted copy constructor
    // elements access

    // arithmetic operators
    // +=, -=, *=, /=

    double mag2 () const { return _M_x*_M_x + _M_y*_M_y + _M_z*_M_z;}
    double perp2() const { return _M_x*_M_x + _M_y*_M_y;}

    // magnitude and the transverse component
    double mag () const { return std::sqrt(this -> mag2());}
    double perp() const { return std::sqrt(this -> perp2());}

    // azimuth and polar angles
    double phi() const { return _M_x == 0.0 && _M_y == 0.0 ? 0.0 : std::atan2(_M_y,_M_x);}

    double theta() const {
        double p = this -> perp();
        return p == 0.0 && _M_z == 0.0 ? 0.0 : std::atan2(p, _M_z);
    }
};
```

- Write the header file `threevector.h`
- We *don't need* `.cc` file since every functions are simple and they can be inline.
- Play with, try the arithmetic operators with simple examples.



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# Three vector

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At the end of the day you should be able to do something like this:

```
#include <iostream>
#include "threevector.h"

using namespace std;

int main()
{
    threevector a(1.0,2.0,3.0), b(5.0,6.0,7.0), c;

    c = a+b;
    cout<<"c = a+b = "<<c<<endl;

    c = a-b;
    cout<<"c = a-b = "<<c<<endl;
    cout<<"a*b = "<<a*b<<c<<endl;
    cout<<"a*2.0 = "<<a*2.0<<c<<endl;
    cout<<"a/2.0 = "<<a/2.0<<c<<endl;

    return 0;
}
```

# Lorentz vector

Lorentz vector also has time-like component. Define a class inherited from three vector. Define all the arithmetic operators plus some more functions

```
class lorentzvector // inherited from threevector
{
    // member functions
    double plus () const { return _M_t + _M_z;}
    double minus() const { return _M_t - _M_z;}
    double rapidity() const { return 0.5*std::log(plus()/minus());}
    double prapidity() const { return -std::log(std::tan(0.5*theta()));}
    double mag2() const { return _M_t*_M_t - threevector::mag2();}

    threevector boostVector() const {
        return threevector(*this) /= _M_t;
    }

    // Lorentz boost
    void boost(double, double, double);
    void boost(const threevector& a) { boost(a.X(), a.Y(), a.Z());}
};
```

- Write the header file `lorentzvector.h`
- The `boost(...)` function is implemented in the `lorentzvector.cc` file.
- Play with, try the arithmetic operators with simple examples.