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The PYTHIA Event Generator



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- **Even in BSM scenarios,** production of new colored states often favored
 - Squarks, gluinos, KK gluons, excited quarks, ...
 - + extra QCD jets ...

Monte Carlo Generators



Calculate Everything \approx solve QCD \rightarrow requires compromise!

Improve lowest-order perturbation theory, by including the 'most significant' corrections

→ complete events (can evaluate any observable you want)

Existing Approaches

PYTHIA : Successor to JETSET (begun in 1978). Originated in hadronization studies: Lund String. HERWIG : Successor to EARWIG (begun in 1984). Originated in coherence studies: angular ordering. SHERPA : Begun in 2000. Originated in "matching" of matrix elements to showers: CKKW. + MORE SPECIALIZED: ALPGEN, MADGRAPH, ARIADNE, VINCIA, WHIZARD, MC@NLO, POWHEG, ...

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THIA

PYTHIA anno 2012

(now called PYTHIA 8)

LU TP 07-28 (CPC 178 (2008) 852) October, 2007

A Brief Introduction to PYTHIA 8.1

T. Sjöstrand, S. Mrenna, P. Skands

The Pythia program is a standard tool for the generation of high-energy collisions, comprising a coherent set of physics models for the evolution from a few-body hard process to a complex multihadronic final state. It contains a library of hard processes and models for initial- and final-state parton showers, multiple parton-parton interactions, beam remnants, string fragmentation and particle decays. It also has a set of utilities and interfaces to external programs. [...]

~ 80,000 lines of C++

What a modern MC generator has inside:

- Hard Processes (internal, semiinternal, or via Les Houches events)
- BSM (internal or via interfaces)
- PDFs (internal or via interfaces)
- Showers (internal or inherited)
- Multiple parton interactions
- Beam Remnants
- String Fragmentation
- Decays (internal or via interfaces)
- Examples and Tutorial
- Online HTML / PHP Manual
- Utilities and interfaces to external programs

(Traditional) Monte Carlo Generators



Ambition

Cleaner code More user-friendly Easy interfacing Physics Improvements

Current Status

Ready and tuned to LHC data

Better interfaces to (B)SM generators via LHEF and semiinternal processes

Improved shower model + interfaces to CKKW-L, POWHEG, and VINCIA

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- DELPHI, LHCb: D/B BRs
- + several bug reports & fixes

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Hard Physics

Standard Model

- almost all $2 \rightarrow 1, 2 \rightarrow 2$
- A few $2 \rightarrow 3$

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Les Houches Accord and LHEF (e.g., from MadGraph, CalcHEP, AlpGen,...)

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Inheriting from PYTHIA's $2 \rightarrow 2$ base class, then modify to suit you (+ automated in MadGraph 5)

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Carloni, Rathsman, Sjöstrand, JHEP 1104 (2011) 091

Interleaved shower in QCD, QED and HV sectors:

HV U(1): add γ_v emissions HV SU(N): add g_v emissions



HV particles may remain invisible, or

Broken U(1): $\gamma_v \rightarrow$ lepton pairs SU(N): hadronization in hidden sector, with full string fragmentation setup. For now assumed mass-degenerate.

Flavor Off-diagonal: stable & invisible Flavor Diagonal, can decay back to SM

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Matched Showers: Interface to VINCIA (new showers + matching) [PS]

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+ WORK IN PROGRESS ...

NLO + multileg tree-level matrix elements

- NLO multileg matching
- Matching at NNLO



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Matching in PYTHIA 8

Internal: merging (correcting first shower emissions)

Tree-level matrix elements

- CKKW-L: via Les Houches files L. Lönnblad & S. Prestel, JHEP 1203 (2012) 019
- MLM: Work started on Alpgen interface [R. Corke]

NLO matrix elements

- POWHEG: done for ISR (via LHEF). In progress for FSR [R. Corke]
- MC@NLO: in progress [S. Frixione, P. Torrielli]

(Already available for virtuality-ordered Pythia 6)

+ Interface to VINCIA: Markovian pQCD ...

(uses matrix elements from Madgraph to drive evolution)

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Note: other teams working on alternative strategies Perturbation theory is solvable \rightarrow expect improvements

Repeat

Markov + Unitarity = SPEED

Efficient Matching with Sector Showers J. Lopez-Villarejo & PS : JHEP 1111 (2011) 150



Z→qq (q=udscb) + shower. Matched and unweighted. Hadronization off gfortran/g++ with gcc v.4.4 -O2 on single 3.06 GHz processor with 4GB memory

Generator Versions: Pythia 6.425 (Perugia 2011 tune), Pythia 8.150, Sherpa 1.3.0, Vincia 1.026 (without uncertainty bands, NLL/NLC=OFF)

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Soft QCD

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Hadronization

String fragmentation

Lund fragmentation function for (u,d,s) + Bowler for heavy quarks (c,b)

Hadron and Particle decays

Usually isotropic, or:

New: Polarized T decays

User decays (DecayHandler)

Link to external packages

EVTGEN for B decays

TAUOLA for τ decays

Bose-Einstein effects

Two-particle model (off by default)

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Interleaved Evolution

Sjöstrand, PS, JHEP 0403 (2004) 053; EPJ C39 (2005) 129 Corke, Sjöstrand, JHEP 1103 (2011) 032



+ (x,b) correlations Corke, Sjöstrand JHEP 1105 (2011) 009

Color Connections



 $Multiplicity \propto N_{MPI}$

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Pythia 6: The Perugia Variations

Central Tune + 9 variations

Note: no variation of hadronization parameters! (sorry, ten was already a lot)

MSTP(5) = ...

PS, PRD82 (2010) 074018		Perugia 2011 Tune Set	
(350)	Perugia 2011	Central Perugia 2011 tune (CTEQ5L)	
(351)	Perugia 2011 radHi	Variation using $\alpha_s(\frac{1}{2}p_{\perp})$ for ISR and FSR	Harder radiation
(352)	Perugia 2011 radLo	Variation using $\alpha_s(\bar{2}p_{\perp})$ for ISR and FSR	Softer radiation
(353)	Perugia 2011 mpiHi	Variation using $\Lambda_{\rm QCD} = 0.26 {\rm GeV}$ also for MPI	UE more "jetty'
(354)	Perugia 2011 noCR	Variation without color reconnections	Softer hadrons
(355)	Perugia 2011 M	Variation using MRST LO** PDFs	UE more "jetty'
(356)	Perugia 2011 C	Variation using CTEQ 6L1 PDFs	Recommended
(357)	Perugia 2011 T16	Variation using $PARP(90)=0.16$ scaling away fr	0000 om 7 TeV
(358)	Perugia 2011 T32	Variation using $PARP(90)=0.32$ scaling away fr	000 om 7 TeV
(359)	Perugia 2011 Tevatron	Variation optimized for Tevatron	~ low at LHC

Can be obtained in standalone Pythia from 6.4.25+

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Perugia 2011

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Backup Slides

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Color Flow in MC Models

"Planar Limit"

- Equivalent to $N_C \rightarrow \infty$: no color interference^{*}
- Rules for color flow:

For an entire cascade:

*) except as reflected by the implementation of QCD coherence effects in the Monte Carlos via angular or dipole ordering





 $\overbrace{e_e} \rightarrow \longrightarrow \qquad \underbrace{ue_e} \rightarrow \underbrace$

Coherence of pQCD cascades \rightarrow not much "overlap" between strings \rightarrow planar approx pretty good LEP measurements in WW confirm this (at least to order 10% ~ 1/N_c²)

Interfaces to External MEs (POWHEG/SCALUP)

Slide from T. Sjöstrand, TH-LPCC workshop, August 2011, CERN

Standard Les Houches interface (LHA, LHEF) specifies startup scale SCALUP for showers, so "trivial" to interface any external program, including POWHEG. Problem: for ISR

$$p_{\perp}^{2} = p_{\perp evol}^{2} - \frac{p_{\perp evol}^{4}}{p_{\perp evol,max}^{2}}$$

$$\int d\Phi_r \frac{R(v,r)}{B(v)} \theta(k_{\rm T}(v,r) - p_{\rm T})$$
not needed if shower ordered in p_T?

i.e. p_{\perp} decreases for $\theta^* > 90^{\circ}$ but $p_{\perp evol}$ monotonously increasing. Solution: run "power" shower but kill emissions above the hardest one, by POWHEG's definition.



Available, for ISR-dominated, coming for QCD jets with FSR issues.

in PYTHIA 8

Note: Other things that may differ in comparisons: PDFs (NLO vs LO), Scale Choices PYTHIA

Interfaces to External MEs (MLM)

B. Cooper et al., arXiv:1109.5295 [hep-ph]

If using one code for MEs and another for showering

Tree-level corrections use α_s from Matrix-element Generator

Virtual corrections use α_s from Shower Generator (Sudakov)

Mismatch if the two do not use same Λ_{QCD} or $\alpha_s(m_z)$



Scales: pT and CMW

Compute e⁺e⁻ \rightarrow **3 jets,** for arbitrary choice of μ_R (e.g., μ_R = m_Z)

One-loop correction $2Re[M^0M^{1*}]$ includes a universal $O(\alpha_s^2)$ term from integrating quark loops over all of phase space

$$n_f A_3^0 \left(\ln \left(\frac{s_{23}}{\mu_R^2} \right) + \ln \left(\frac{s_{13}}{\mu_R^2} \right) \right) \qquad \text{+ gluon loops}$$

Proportional to the β function (b₀).

Can be absorbed by using $\mu_R^4 = s_{13} s_{23} = p_T^2 s$. (~"BLM")

In an ordered shower, quark (and gluon) loops restricted by strong-ordering condition → modified to

 $\mu_R = p_T$ (but depends on ordering variable?)

Additional logs induced by gluon loops can be absorbed by replacing Λ^{MS} by $\Lambda^{MC} \sim 1.5 \Lambda^{MS}$ (with mild dependence on number of flavors)

Catani, Marchesini, Webber, NPB349 (1991) 635

There are obviously still order 2 uncertainties on μ_R , but this is the background for the central choice made in showers

Tuning



I. Fragmentation Tuning

Perturbative: jet radiation, jet broadening, jet structure **Non-perturbative:** hadronization modeling & parameters

2. Initial-State Tuning

Perturbative: initial-state radiation, initial-final interference Non-perturbative: PDFs, primordial k_T

3. Underlying-Event & Min-Bias Tuning

Perturbative: Multi-parton interactions, rescattering

Non-perturbative: Multi-parton PDFs, Beam Remnant fragmentation, Color (re)connections, collective effects, impact parameter dependence, ...

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Note: tunes differ significantly in which data sets they include

LEP fragmentation parameters Level of Underlying Event & Minimum-bias Tails Soft part of Drell-Yan p_T spectrum

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Example: pQCD Shower Tuning

Main pQCD Parameters

The value of the strong coupling at the Z pole

 $\alpha_s(m_Z)$



 α_s Running



Renormalization Scheme and Scale for α s

Governs overall amount of radiation

I - / 2-loop running, MSbar / CMW scheme, $\mu_R \sim Q^2$ or p_T^2

Matching



Additional Matrix Elements included?

At tree level / one-loop level? Using what scheme?

Subleading Logs

Ordering variable, coherence treatment, effective $I \rightarrow 3$ (or $2 \rightarrow 4$), recoil strategy, etc

Need IR Corrections?

vs LEP: Thrust **PYTHIA 8** (hadronization off)



Significant Discrepancies (>10%) for T < 0.05, Major < 0.15, Minor < 0.2, and for all values of Oblateness

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PYTHIA 8 (hadronization on) vs LEP: Thrust



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Value of Strong Coupling

vs LEP: Thrust **PYTHIA 8** (hadronization on)



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> Improve \rightarrow Matching at LO and NLO Non-perturbative \rightarrow Lecture on IR

FSR: Jet Shapes



Plots from mcplots.cern.ch

ISR*: Drell-Yan pt ATLAS: arXiv:1107.2381 CMS: arXiv:110.4973

*From Quarks, at Q=M_Z





Particularly sensitive to

- $I. \alpha_s$ renormalization scale choice
- 2. Recoil strategy (color dipoles vs global vs ...)
- 3. FSR off ISR (ISR jet broadening)

Non-trivial result that modern GPMC shower models all reproduce it ~ correctly

Note: old PYTHIA 6 model (Tune A) did not give correct distribution, except with extreme μ_R choice (DW, D6, Pro-Q2O)

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IR Safe Summary (ISR/FSR):

LO + showers generally in good 0(20%) agreement with LHC (modulo bad tunes, pathological cases) **Room for improvement:** Quantification of <u>uncertainties</u> is still more art than science. **Cutting Edge**: multi-jet matching at NLO and systematic NLL showering **Bottom Line:** perturbation theory is solvable. Expect progress.

Uncertainties

Buckley et al. (Professor) "Systematic Event Generator Tuning for LHC", EPJC65 (2010) 331
P.S. "Tuning MC Event Generators: The Perugia Tunes", PRD82 (2010) 074018
Schulz, P.S. "Energy Scaling of Minimum-Bias Tunes", EPJC71 (2011) 1644
Giele, Kosower, P.S. "Higher-Order Corrections to Timelike Jets", PRD84 (2011) 054003



Variation of µ_R here done for ISR + FSR together (theoretically consistent, but may not be most conservative?)

+ Similar variations for PDFs (CTEQ vs MSTW) Amount of MPI, Color reconnections, Energy scaling

+ Variations of Fragmentation parameters (IR sensitive) on the way
Multiple Interactions

= Allow several parton-parton interactions per hadron-hadron collision. Requires extended factorization ansatz.



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Underlying Event

Note: the UE is more active than Min-Bias, which is more active than Pile-Up



Underlying Event: RMS

Measures the event-by-event FLUCTUATIONS of the Underlying Event



Min-Bias: Inclusive Particles



ncolots.cem.ch

200

200

 N_{ch}

Min-Bias: <pT> vs Nch



Independent Particle Production:

 \rightarrow averages stay the same

Color Correlations / Jets / Collective effects: → average rises



Extrapolation to high multiplicity ~ UE

Average particles slightly too hard

 \rightarrow Too much energy, or energy distributed on too few particles

~ OK?

Average particles slightly too soft

 \rightarrow Too little energy, or energy distributed on too many particles

Evolution of other distributions with N_{ch} also interesting: e.g., $< p_T > (N_{ch})$ for identified particles, strangeness & baryon ratios, 2P correlations, ...



Very soft spectra without POMPYT Status: Supported, but not actively developed

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Diffraction in PYTHIA 8 Navin, arXiv:1005.3894



Diffraction

Framework needs testing and tuning

- E.g., interplay between non-diffractive and diffractive components
- + LEP tuning used directly for diffractive modeling

Hadronization preceded by shower at LEP, but not in diffraction \rightarrow dedicated diffraction tuning of fragmentation pars?



+ Little experience with new PYTHIA 8 MPI component in high-mass diffractive events

 \rightarrow This component especially needs testing and tuning

E.g., look at n_{ch} and p_T spectra in high-mass (>10GeV) diffraction

(Not important for UE as such, but can be important if using PYTHIA to simulate pile-up!)

 $\sigma_{\mathbb{P}p}$ determines level of UE in high-mass diffraction through $\langle n_{MPI} \rangle = \sigma_{jet} / \sigma_{\mathbb{P}p}$. (Larger $\sigma_{\mathbb{P}p} \rightarrow$ smaller UE)

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Pile-Up

= additional zero-bias interactions (contain more diffraction than ordinary min-bias)

Processes with no hard scale:

Larger uncertainties \rightarrow Good UE does *not* guarantee good pile-up.

Error of 50% on a soft component \rightarrow not bad.

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Models

MC models so far: problems describing both MB & UE simultaneously → Consider using dedicated MB/diffraction model for pile-up

(UE/MB tension may be resolved in 2012 (eg. studies by R. Field), but for now must live with it)

Experimentalists advised to use unbiased data for PU (when possible)