NNLO Phenomenology Using Jettiness Subtraction

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The LHC circa 2015



Excellent overall agreement between theory and experiment

The importance of higher orders

- Precision QCD theory has been a critical component of this success
- Example: Until recently, WW cross section showed a > 2σ excess at both ATLAS and CMS, and for both 7 TeV and 8 TeV data. Could it be light charginos?



- Sizeable NNLO QCD corrections! (Gehrmann, Grazzini, Kallweit, Maierhofer, Pozzorini, Rathlev, Tancredi, von Manteuffel, 2014)
- Also an important effect from extrapolation from fiducial region (Monni, Zanderighi, 2014)
- Theory now within 1σ of ATLAS and CMS data
- Proper interpretation not possible without higherorder QCD!

Higgs kinematics

- There will be a continued need for precision QCD at the LHC Run II
- Need improved modeling of the Higgs cross section for several measurements



First measurement of the Higgs p_T spectrum available; will be measured with higher precision in Run II, theory must be ready!



Division of the Higgs signal into exclusive jet bins needed to remove the sometimes overwhelming backgrounds.

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- •Virtual corrections have explicit IR poles, whereas real corrections have implicit IR poles that need to be extracted.
- A generic procedure to extract IR singularities from RR and RV was unknown when jets in the final state are involved, until very recently.

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Methods for extracting IR singularities from double real radiation @ NNLO

Local subtraction schemes:

- Sector decomposition (Anastasiou, Melnikov, Petriello, 2003)
 - $pp \rightarrow H, pp \rightarrow V$ including decays

(Anastasiou, Melnikov, Petriello, 2003-2004)

• Sector-improved subtraction schemes (Czakon, 2010; R.B., Melnikov, Petriello, 2011)

- $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ (Czakon, Fiedler, Mitov, 2013)
- $-pp \rightarrow H + j$ (R.B., Caola, Melnikov, Petriello, Schulze, 2013-2015)
- Antenna subtraction (Gehrmann-De Ridder, Gehrmann, Glover, 2005)
 - $ee \rightarrow 3j$ (Gehrmann-De Ridder, Gehrmann, Glover, Heinrich, 2007; Weinzierl, 2008)
 - $pp \rightarrow jj$ partial (Gehrmann-de Ridder, Gehrmann, Glover, Pires, 2013)
 - $pp \rightarrow H + j$ gg-only (Chen, Gehrmann, Glover, Jaquier, 2014)
 - $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ partial (Abelof, Gehrmann-de Ridder, Maierhofer, Majer, Pozzorini, 2011-2015)
- 'Colorful NNLO' (Del Duca, Somogyi, Trocsanyi 2005)
 - $-H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ (Del Duca, Duhr, Somogyi, Tramontano, Trocsanyi 2015)

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Local subtraction schemes

$$d\sigma_{NNLO} = \int_{d\Phi_{m+2}} \left(d\sigma_{NNLO}^R - d\sigma_{NNLO}^S \right) + \int_{d\Phi_{m+2}} d\sigma_{NNLO}^S + \int_{d\Phi_{m+1}} \left(d\sigma_{NNLO}^{V,1} - d\sigma_{NNLO}^{VS,1} \right) + \int_{d\Phi_{m+1}} d\sigma_{NNLO}^{VS,1} + \int_{d\Phi_m} d\sigma_{NNLO}^{V,2}$$

• Subtraction terms approximate the full matrix elements point by point in the phase space.

Non local: q_T-subtraction

• For color neutral final states, the final state transverse momentum q_T completely determines the singularity structure of QCD amplitudes (Catani, Grazzini, 2007)

$$\sigma_{NNLO} = \int dq_T \frac{d\sigma}{dq_T} \theta(q_T^{\text{cut}} - q_T) + \int dq_T \frac{d\sigma}{dq_T} \theta(q_T - q_T^{\text{cut}})$$
obtained using the Collins-Soper-Sterman (CSS) factorization formula for small q_T.
This is an NLO cross section with one additional jet.

Necessarily involves an integration over final state radiation.
Many successful NNLO results: H/W/Z+0jet, W/Z+ γ, WH, W⁺W⁻, ZZ, γγ

(Catani, Cieri, de Florian, Ferrera, Gehrmann, Grazzini, Kallweit, Maierhoefer, Pozzorini, Rathlev, Tancredi, Torre, Tramontano, von Manteuffel, Weihs)



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q_T-subtraction

- For color neutral final states, the final state transverse momentum q_T completely determines the singularity structure of QCD amplitudes (Catani, Grazzini, 2007)
- Limitation: transverse momentum no longer completely describes the singularity structure of QCD amplitudes when jets are present in the final state (can't distinguish between double and single unresolved radiation)



Need a different resolution parameter!

Non-local: N-Jettiness Subtraction

• N-jettiness τ_N : an event shape variable designed to veto final-state jets (Stewart, Tackmann, Waalewijn, 2010)



 $au_N=0$: radiation is soft, or collinear to one of the beams or final state jets $au_N > 0$: at least one of the radiations is hard and well separated from the beams/jets Can introduce a τ_N^{cut} that separates doubly unresolved singularities from every thing else 13 NNLO Phenomenology Using Jettiness Radja Boughezal, ANL

N-Jettiness Subtraction

• For NNLO processes, σ_{NNLO} consists of Born-level kinematics, and processes with one or two additional radiations. Can write the cross section with a cut τ_N^{cut} as:

$$\sigma_{NNLO} = \int d\Phi_N |\mathcal{M}_N|^2 + \int d\Phi_{N+1} |\mathcal{M}_{N+1}|^2 \theta_N^{<}$$
$$+ \int d\Phi_{N+2} |\mathcal{M}_{N+2}|^2 \theta_N^{<} + \int d\Phi_{N+1} |\mathcal{M}_{N+1}|^2 \theta_N^{>}$$
$$+ \int d\Phi_{N+2} |\mathcal{M}_{N+2}|^2 \theta_N^{>}$$
$$\equiv \sigma_{NNLO}(\mathcal{T}_N < \mathcal{T}_N^{cut}) + \sigma_{NNLO}(\mathcal{T}_N > \mathcal{T}_N^{cut})$$

 $\theta_N^{<} = \theta(\tau_N^{cut} - \tau_N)$ and $\theta_N^{>} = \theta(\tau_N - \tau_N^{cut})$

• Next step is to calculate the cross section below and above τ_N^{cut}

N-Jettiness Subtraction

- For $\tau_N > \tau_N^{cut}$, at least one radiation is resolved, this is a NLO correction to the born process with an additional jet. Use your favorite NLO generator to calculate it !
- For $T_N < \tau_N^{cut}$, both radiations are unresolved (soft, collinear or both). A factorization theorem that gives the all-orders result for small jettiness was derived in SCET (Stewart, Tackmann, Waalewijn, 2010-2011)

$$\sigma(\tau_N < \tau_N^{cut}) = \int H \otimes B \otimes B \otimes S \otimes \left[\prod_n^N J_n\right] + \cdots$$
describes hard radiation,
coincides with virtual
corrections in dimensional
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* The ellipsis denote power suppressed terms, negligible for τ_N smaller than any other kinematic invariant in the process

N-Jettiness Subtraction

 $\sigma(\tau_N < \tau_N^{cut}) = \int H \otimes B \otimes B \otimes S \otimes \left[\prod_n^N J_n\right] + \cdots$

- Expand this formula to fixed order in α_s to get σ below τ_N^{cut}
- For 1-Jettiness@NNLO, all ingredients were known except the soft function:

H @ 2loops: W/H+j (Gehrmann, Tancredi, 2012; Gehrmann, Jaquier, Glover, Koukoutsakis, 2012) *B* @ 2loops: (Gaunt, Stahlhofen, Tackmann, 2014) *S* @ 2loops: (R.B., Liu, Petriello, 2015) see Liu's talk on Thursday for more details *J* @ 2loops: (Becher, Neubert, 2006; Becher, Bell, 2011)

Can combine all these ingredients to get full NNLO results !

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(see also Gaunt, Stahlhofen, Tackmann, Walsh, 2015)

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N-Jettiness Subtraction: how to proceed

\star Suppose we want to calculate an N-jet process @ NNLO:

- Generate an event for the N+1jet process @ NLO (can have N+1 or N+2 partons)
- Determine the reference vectors p_i for the hard jets by performing a pre-clustering of the radiation using a jet algorithm (to get the leading jet). The choice of the jet algorithm does not affect the determination of p_i for small enough τ_{cut} (Jouttenus, Stewart, Tackmann, Waalewijn, 2010-2011)
- Calculate τ_N . If $\tau_N > \tau_{cut}$, keep the event. This provides $\sigma_{NNLO}(\tau_N > \tau_{cut})$
- If $\tau_{N} < \tau_{cut}$, reject the event.
- Calculate $\sigma_{NNLO}(\tau_N < \tau_{cut})$ using the factorization formula to NNLO.
- Add $\sigma_{NNLO}(\tau_N < \tau_{cut})$ and $\sigma_{NNLO}(\tau_N > \tau_{cut})$ and check that there is no dependence on τ_{cut}

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W+jet @ NNLO

- Benchmark process in the SM.
- Required for precision prediction for the W-p_T spectrum.
- Will be an important constraint on the gluon-PDF at large x (arXiv1505.01399)



W+jet @ NNLO: validation

R.B., Focke, Liu, Petriello, 2015

- logarithmic dependence on τ_{cut} canceled in the sum of $\sigma_{NNLO}(\tau_N < \tau_{cut})$ and $\sigma_{NNLO}(\tau_N > \tau_{cut})$.
- Sum of cross sections above and below the cut is stable to better than 0.1% of σ_{total}
- NLO agrees exactly with known results
- W+2jet @ NLO obtained using MCFM, with only *double precision* !

CT10, $P_{Tj} > 30$ GeV, $|\eta_j| < 2.4$ (CMS cuts)



Shown is the pure NNLO xsection central scale choice: $\mu = m_W$

 $M_W/2 \le \mu \le 2 M_W$

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W+jet (a) NNLO: Results

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W+jet (a) NNLO: Results



- K_{NNLO} calculated for $\tau_{cut} = 0.05$ GeV, 0.07 GeV and shows independence from τ_{cut} in each bin
- NNLO corrections almost flat as a functions of p_{TW} above 30GeV
- Sudakov-Shoulder effect at the boundary $P_{TW} = 30$ GeV leading to the shown perturbative instability (no bin averaging was done to improve it)

Higgs + 1jet @NNLO Using jettiness and sector improved subtractions

Higgs in association with jets

- Selection of experimental events in H → WW uses jet binning to reduce the background.
- Theory uncertainties in the 1-jet and 2-jet bins are currently a limiting factor.
- Looking for BSM effects would benefit from a better precision control of the differential distributions, eg. Higgs p_T (Banfi, Martin, Sanz, 2013; Azatov, Paul 2013).



Theory uncertainty as estimated by ATLAS is large

Higgs+jet @ NNLO using jettiness: validation

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- logarithmic dependence on τ_{cut} canceled in the sum of $\sigma_{NNLO}(\tau_N < \tau_{cut})$ and $\sigma_{NNLO}(\tau_N > \tau_{cut})$.
- Sum of cross sections above and below the cut is stable to better than 0.1% correction to σ_{total}
- Agreement with the sector-improved residue subtraction result at the per-mill level ! (R.B., Caola, Melnikov, Petriello, Schulze, 2015)
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NNPDF2.3, $P_{Tj} > 30$ GeV, $|Y^{jet}| < 2.5$



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Higgs+jet @ NNLO using jettiness: Results



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$p_T^{jet} > 30 \text{ GeV}, Y^{jet} < 2.5$	
Leading order:	$3.1^{+1.3}_{-0.9}$ pb
Next-to-leading order:	$4.8^{+1.1}_{-0.9}$ pb
Next-to-next-to-leading order:	$5.5^{+0.3}_{-0.4}$ pb

NNPDF2.3, m_H =125GeV, anti-K_T with R = 0.5

- K_{NNLO} is independent from τ_{cut} in each bin
- Non-trivial K-factor shape as a functions of p_{Tj} while flat as a function of Y^{jet}
- Differential distributions are under good control
- qqb, qq, qbqb channels included in this result. They reduce the cross section by ~1.5% for these cuts

Higgs+jet @ NNLO using jettiness: Results



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NNPDF2.3, m_H =125GeV, anti-K_T with R = 0.5

- K_{NNLO} is independent from τ_{cut} in each bin
- Non-trivial K-factor shape as a functions of p_{Tj} and p_{TH}
- Differential distributions are under good control
- Ready to compare with data!

Higgs + 1 jet @ NNLO using sector-improved residue subtraction

• Greatly reduced theoretical errors for H+1jet !



R.B., Caola, Melnikov, Petriello, Schulze, 2015

Summary

- Remarkable progress in delivering complete NNLO predictions for various observables: Higgs+jet, W+jet and more to come.
- Jettiness subtraction: a simple, generic and efficient new method in deriving NNLO (and beyond) predictions.
- Ready to compare with LHC data!