Monte-Carlo event generators for EIC

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- 1. Event generators
 - General purpose
 - Specific purpose
- 2. Validation
 - Rivet analyses
 - Recent projects
- 3. MC4EIC Workshop in June



[figure by P. Skands]

General-purpose event generators

Simulate full collision events Exclusive hadronic final states

- Hard parton-level scattering
- Multiparton interactions
- Parton showers, NLO matching & multi-jet merging
- Hadronization, colour reconnection, rescattering

Electron-ion collisions

- DIS: $Q^2 \ll 1 \text{ GeV}$
- Photoproduction: $Q^2 \approx 0$
- Heavy-ion target

Herwig 7

- Current version 7.3.0
- DIS with NLO merging
- Photoproduction in progress

Ρυτηία 8

- Current version 8.310
- Photoproduction with PS and MPI
- DIS: Dipole shower, Vincia, Dire

Sherpa 2

- Current version 2.2.15 (3.0.0beta1)
- DIS with matching & merging
- Photoproduction at NLO

Specific purpose

Matrix-element generators

- Madgraph5
 - Up to \sim 4 jets for DIS
 - Direct processes in photoproduction
- Powheg
 - Some first studies but currently not applicable

Other relevant tools

- Cascade
 - TMDs
- Sartre
 - Exclusive vector mesons
- Beagle
 - Nuclear remnants
- EpIC
 - Exclusive processes
- eHijing
 - Cold nuclear matter
 hadronization

Event generator validation

Many processes relevant to EIC available in current event generators ⇒ Should be tested against existing data

- HERA: DIS and photoproduction on proton target Jets, charged-particle production, event shapes, two-particle correlations
- LEP: $\gamma\gamma$ collisions, DIS on real-photon target Jets, charged-particle production
- LHC: UPCs with low-virtuality photons on protons and nuclei Jets, charged-particle production, two-particle correlations

Validation exercise

- Common effort with experimental colleagues to define important observables
- Support from generator developers for run cards and other technicalities
- RIVET analysis crucial for validation of the current generation of MC generators

Rivet analysis for HERA data

- H1_1994_S2919893 ® H1 energy flow and charged particle spectra in DIS
- H1_1995_I394793 ® A Study of the Fragmentation of Quarks in ep Collisions at HERA
- H1_1995_S3167097 Transverse energy and forward jet production in the low-x regime at H1
- H1_1996_I421105
 Inclusive D0 and D*+- production in deep inelastic e p scattering at HERA
- H1_1996_I422230 ® Charged particle multiplicities in deep inelastic scattering at HERA
- H1_1996_I424463 ® Transverse momentum spectra of charged particles in DIS (H1 1996)
- H1_1997_I445116 ® Evolution of e p fragmentation and multiplicity distributions in the Breit frame
- H1_1999_I481112 ® Measurement of D* meson cross-sections at HERA and determination of the gluon density in
- H1_1999_I504022 ® Forward pi0 meson production at HERA
- H1_2000_S4129130 ® H1 energy flow in DIS
- H1_2002_I561885 B Measurement of $D^{*\pm}$ meson production in deep inelastic scattering at HERA
- H1_2005_I676166 ® Measurement of beauty production at HERA using events with muons and jets (H1)
- H1_2006_I699835 ® Measurement of Event Shape Variables in Deep-Inelastic Scattering at HERA
- H1_2007_I736052
 Measurement of inclusive production of D* mesons both with and without dijet production in
- H1_2007_I746380 Tests of QCD Factorisation in the diffractive production of dijets in deep-inelastic scattering and
- H1_2009_I810046 \circledast Strangeness Production at low Q^2 in Deep-Inelastic ep Scattering at HERA
- H1_2013_I1217865 ® Charged particle production in deep-inelastic ep scattering at H1
- H1_2015_I1343110 Diffractive dijets in DIS and photoproduction
- + HERA_2015_I1353667 Combined H1/ZEUS D^{\ast} production cross-sections in DIS
- HERA_2015_I1377206 ® Measurement of sigma_red (F2) of H1 and ZEUS at different beam energies

Rivet analysis for HERA data

- ZEUS_1995_I392386 ® Charged particle multiplicity and momentum spectra in Breit frame at ZEUS
- ZEUS_1995_I395196 ® Neutral strange particle production in deep inelastic scattering at HERA (ZEUS)
- ZEUS_1996_I420332 ® Measurement of the F2 structure function in deep inelastic e+ p scattering using 1994 data from
- ZEUS_1997_I450085 ® Dijet photoproduction analysis
- ZEUS_1999_I470499 ® Forward jet production in deep inelastic scattering at HERA (ZEUS)
- ZEUS_1999_I500267 B Measurement of High- Q^2 Neutral-Current e^+p Deep Inelastic Scattering Cross-Sections at HERA
- ZEUS_1999_I508906 ® Measurement of the E**2(T,jet) / Q**2 dependence of forward jet production at HERA
- ZEUS_2000_I524911 ® Measurement of azimuthal asymmetries in deep inelastic scattering
- ZEUS_2008_I763404 Diffractive photoproduction of dijets
- ZEUS_2008_I780108 \circledast Multi-jet cross-sections in charged current $e^\pm p$ scattering at HERA
- ZEUS_2008_I810112 \circledast Measurement of D^{\pm} and D^0 production in deep inelastic scattering using a lifetime tag at HERA
- ZEUS_2010_I875006 ® ZEUS dijet cross sections in NC DIS
- + ZEUS_2011_I945935 Scaled momentum distributions for K^0_S and $\Lambda/ar{\Lambda}$ in DIS at HERA
- ZEUS_2012_I1116258 ® Inclusive-jet photoproduction at HERA and determination of the strong coupling
 - · Slow but steady progress on adding new analysis
 - Currently 37 HERA analysis included (out of 510)
 - Which of these are the most relevant for EIC?
 - Are some important analyses missing?

Comparison of Pythia, Sherpa and Herwig for jet photoproduction





[OPAL_2003_1611415]



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IH, P. Meinzinger, S. Plätzer, in progress

[ZEUS_2001_S4815815]





Tuning PYTHIA photoproduction using HERA & LEP data

J. Butterworth, IH, J.J. Juan Castella, S. Sanjrani M. Wing: in progress





MEPS@NLO with SHERPA

M. Knobbe, D. Reichelt, S. Schumann:

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Photon-ion collisions with ANGANTYR in PYTHIA using vector-meson dominance [ATLAS: PRC 104, 014903 (2021)] IH, M. Uhteim: *in progress*





- Dates: June 5-7 2024
- Location: Durham (in person meeting!)
- Topics to be covered:
 - Status of general purpose event generators for DIS and photoproduction
 - Lessons from the LHC
 - Non-perturbative modelling
 - Tuning/validation with HERA and other data
 - Missing RIVET analyses?
 - Ion targets
 - Specialized tools and interfacing
 - Experimental and theory needs

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