

The Substructure of Jets: a theorist's cartoon.

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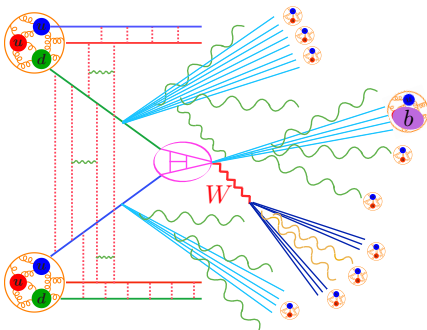
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Probing Quark-Gluon Matter With Jets

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Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD)

Quantum Chromodynamics:

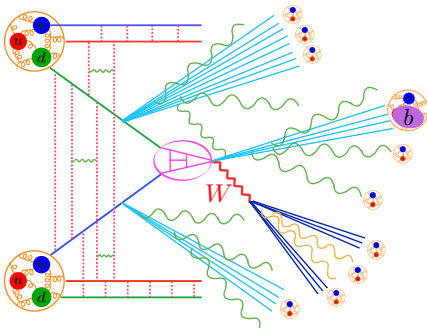
- High energy: quasi-conformal, weakly coupled, massless partons (asymptotic freedom).
- Low energies: strongly confines into bound states.



- Modern particle accelerators probe all these regimes.

(Image courtesy of Ian Mould.)

The Basic Questions:



- How does an event at high energy transition from interacting partons to strongly bound hadrons?
- How does the reverse happen?
- How does QCD quantum mechanically transfer momentum, spin, charge, flavor, etc., between the ultra-violet and the infra-red?

Jet substructure was motivated (officially) by *none* of these questions.

- arXiv:0802.2470:
 “Jet substructure as a new Higgs search channel at the LHC”

But it needed them answered.

- Their Goal: Distinguish the progenitors of the jet based on the jet's shape.
- Our Goal: exploit jet substructure to understand the patterns of QCD radiation,

Luckily these are not mutually exclusive activities.

Jet substructure, a (personal) path to understanding.

- Use energy-flow variables to classify the QCD states.
- Use power counting to organize shape variable phase-space.
- Use grooming to give well-defined jet structures.
- Calculate.

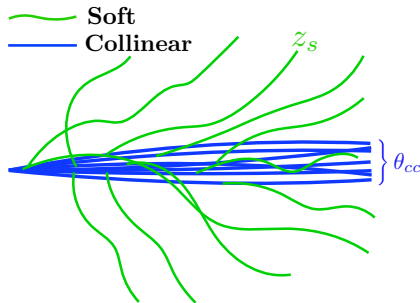
Power Counting The “States” of Perturbation Theory

- Quarks and gluons are massless when on-shell: $p_g^2 = p_q^2 = 0$.
- High energies, no intrinsic scale, except hard interaction.
- Continuous spectrum and long range-interactions.

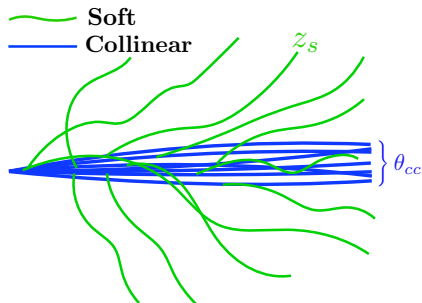
$$m_{ab}^2 = (p_a + p_b)^2 = 4E_a E_b \sin^2 \frac{\theta_{ab}}{2} \sim Q^2 z_a z_b \theta_{ab}^2$$

Close to on-shell:

- Soft:
 $\left(\sum p_s\right)^2 \sim Q^2 z_s^2 \ll Q^2$
- Collinear:
 $\left(\sum p_c\right)^2 \sim Q^2 \theta_{cc}^2 \ll Q^2$



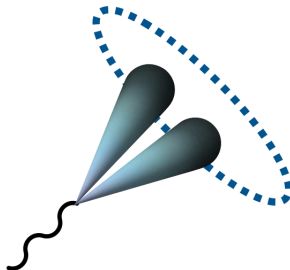
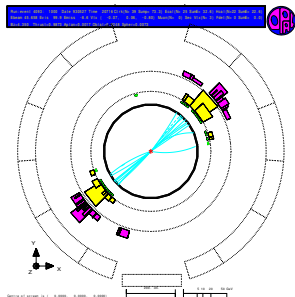
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- z_s and θ_{cc} will be set by the phase-space region we are in.
- Phase space will be organized by infra-red and collinear safe observables.

Example: Finding Color Singlet Objects

In rest frame, color singlet objects decay back-to-back:



Boosted, will still exhibit two pronged decays within a fatter jet.

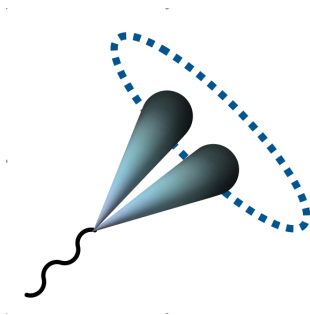
- So how do we separate QCD jets from the singlet resonances?

Color Decaying Resonances Versus QCD

Z-jets: Mass and energy gives natural opening angle:

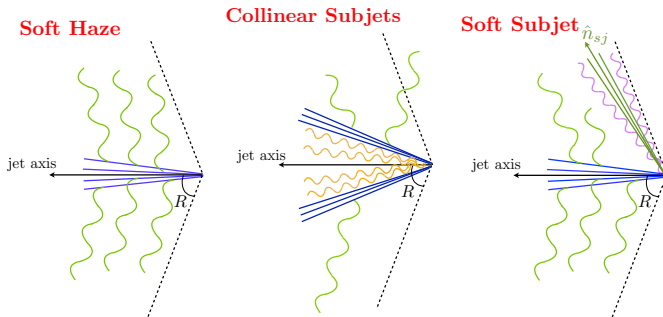
$$\frac{M_Z^2}{Q^2} = \frac{(p_q + p_{\bar{q}})^2}{Q^2} \sim R^2$$

QCD-jets: No characteristic mass or opening angle, no preference for structure, populates all regions.



QCD will populate both 1 and 2 prong jets.

When are subsequent emissions at the same scale or strongly ordered?



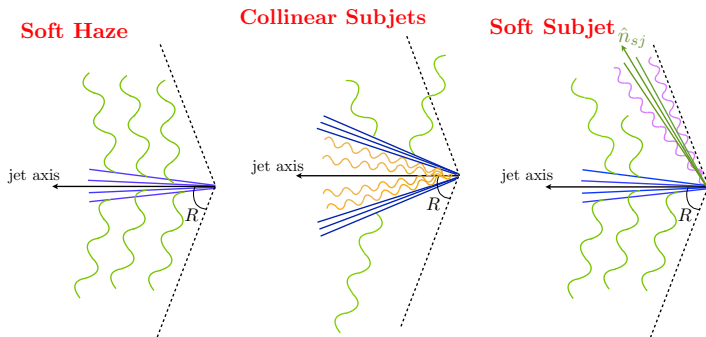
- There exists a general organization of the phase-space, applicable to many observables.
- Parametrically separate distinct regions.
- Bulk energy flow can be identical. (Mass, Broadening, etc.)

[Larkoski, Moult, **DN 1409.6298**]

Energy Correlation Functions

$$e_2^{(\alpha)} = \sum_{i < j \in J} z_i z_j \theta_{ij}^\alpha$$

$$e_3^{(\alpha)} = \sum_{i < j < k \in J} z_i z_j z_k \left(\theta_{ij} \theta_{jk} \theta_{ki} \right)^\alpha$$



Energy Correlation Functions: One Prong

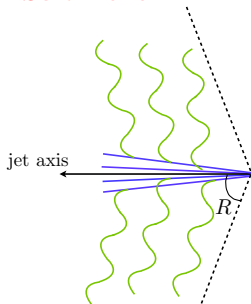
$$e_2^{(\alpha)} = \sum_{i < j \in J} z_i z_j \theta_{ij}^\alpha \ll 1$$

Power Counting:

$$z_s \sim e_2^{(\alpha)}$$

$$\theta_{cc}^\alpha \sim e_2^{(\alpha)}$$

Soft Haze



Correlate Two Soft and One Collinear:

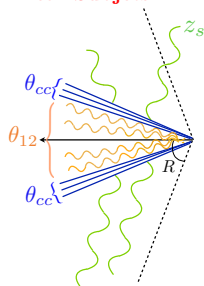
$$e_3^{(\alpha)} \sim \left(z_c z_s^2 \theta_{sc}^{2\alpha} \theta_{ss}^\alpha \right) \sim (e_2^{(\alpha)})^2$$

Energy Correlation Functions: Two Prongs

$$e_2^{(\alpha)} = \sum_{i < j \in J} z_i z_j \theta_{ij}^\alpha \quad \sim z_1 z_2 \theta_{12}^\alpha + \dots$$

$$e_3^{(\alpha)} = \sum_{i < j < k \in J} z_i z_j z_k \left(\theta_{ij} \theta_{jk} \theta_{ki} \right)^\alpha \quad \sim z_1 z_2 \theta_{12}^\alpha \left(\theta_{12}^\alpha \theta_{cc}^\alpha + z_s \right) \dots$$

Collinear Subjects

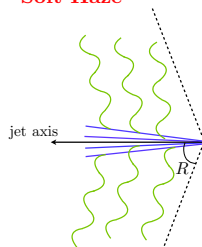


$$z_s \ll e_2^{(\alpha)} \text{ or } \theta_{cc} \ll e_2^{(\alpha)}$$

Soft haze and subjet
regions
parametrically
separated if

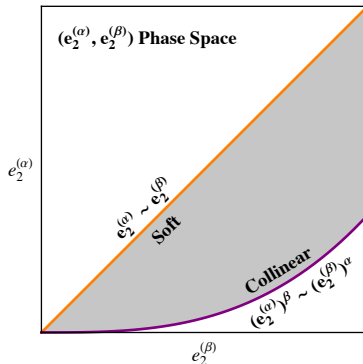
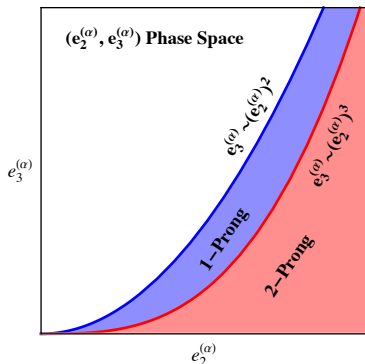
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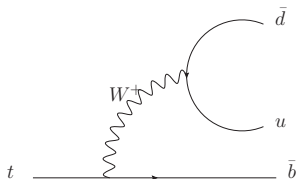
Phase Space for $1 \rightarrow 2$ Splitting



Single observable distinguishes 1-prong (**background**) from the 2-prong (**signal**) regions:

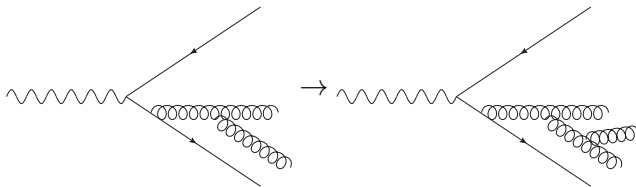
$$D_2 = \frac{e_3^{(\alpha)}}{(e_2^{(\alpha)})^3}$$

Deeper into the Cascade: Discriminating Top Quarks



Need resolution scale one splitting lower:

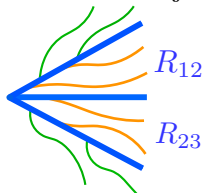
$$e_4^{(\alpha)} = \sum_{i < j < k < \ell \in J} z_i z_j z_k z_\ell \left(\theta_{ij} \theta_{jk} \theta_{k\ell} \theta_{\ell i} \theta_{\ell j} \theta_{ik} \right)^\alpha$$



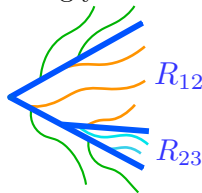
[Larkoski, Moult, **DN** 1411.0665]

Varieties of $1 \rightarrow 3$ Splittings

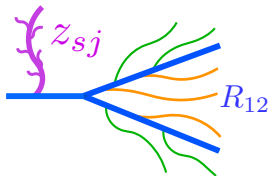
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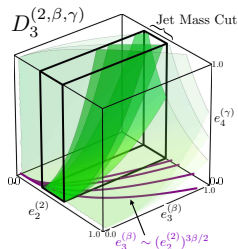
Strongly Ordered:



Soft & Collinear Subjects:

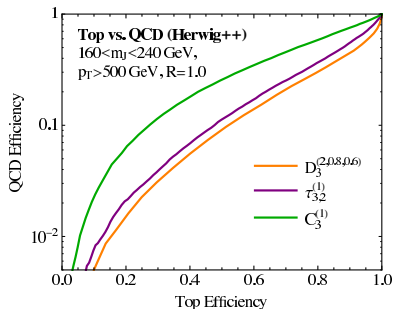
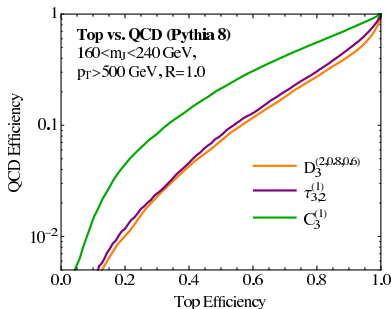


R is opening angle.



Power Counting Gives Discriminator

Comparison of Discriminators At 8 TeV LHC:



$$D_3^{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} = e_4^{(\gamma)} \left(\frac{\left(e_2^{(\alpha)}\right)^{\frac{3\gamma}{\alpha}}}{\left(e_3^{(\beta)}\right)^{\frac{3\gamma}{\beta}}} + x \frac{\left(e_2^{(\alpha)}\right)^{\frac{2\gamma}{\alpha}-1}}{\left(e_3^{(\beta)}\right)^{\frac{2\gamma}{\beta}}} + y \frac{\left(e_2^{(\alpha)}\right)^{\frac{2\beta}{\alpha}-\frac{\gamma}{\alpha}}}{\left(e_3^{(\beta)}\right)^2} \right)$$

$$x \sim \left(\frac{(p_T^{cut})^2}{m_{top}^2} \right)^{\frac{\alpha\gamma}{\beta}-\frac{\alpha}{2}}, \quad y \sim \left(\frac{(p_T^{cut})^2}{m_{top}^2} \right)^{\frac{5\gamma}{2}-2\beta}$$

Jets versus Color Singlet Resonances

- Power Counting gives quick organization to phase-space.

What about **calculating**?

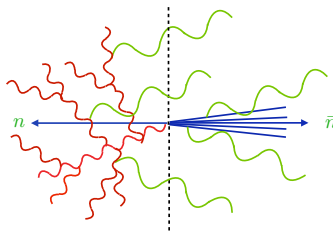
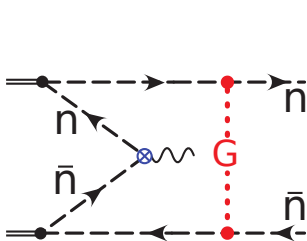
- Resonance: invoke Narrow Width.
- Calculate decay distribution isolated from production.

QCD??

Calculating: Jets versus Color Singlet Resonances

Sensitivity to soft radiation destroys universality:

- Contamination from underlying event $\rightarrow$ distinct spectra for e^+e^- , pp , ep ,
- Non-global logarithms: soft radiation entangles distinct jet regions. [Dasgupta, Salam hep-ph/0104277]



Calculating for Jets in pp

Two options:

- (A) Figure out underlying event and NGLs, then calculate.
- (B) Groom the Jet.

Option (A) has seen lots of *theoretical* progress:

(Incomplete list....)

[Banfi, Marchesini, Smye hep-ph/0206076], [Weigert hep-ph/0312050]
[Hatta 0810.0889], [Hagiwara, Hatta, Ueda 1507.07641],
[Avsar, Hatta, Masuo 0903.4285],
[Forshaw, Kyrieleis, Seymour 0808.1269], [Forshaw, Seymour, Siodmok 1206.6363],
[Angeles-Martinez, Forshaw, Seymour 1510.07998]
[Hatta, Iancu, Mueller, Triantafyllopoulos 1710.06722],
[Larkosk, Moul, Neill 1501.04596, 1609.04011],
[Neill 1508.07568, 1610.02031],
[Caron-Huot 1501.03754],
[Becher, Neubert, Rothen, Shao 1508.06645, 1605.02737],
[Rothstein, Stewart 1601.04695],

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[Makris, Neill, Vaidya 1712.07653],

[Hoang, Mantry, Pathak, Stewart 1708.02586],

[Kang, Lee, Liu, Ringer, 1803.03645]

Calculating for Jets in pp

- Option (A), buy me a beer.
- Rest of talk: option (B)

Aside: Clustering Jet Algorithms

Need:

- List of Particles P , List of Jets J .
- Single particle metric on momentum space $d(p_i) \equiv d_i$, and two particle metric $d(p_i, p_j) \equiv d_{ij}$.
- Merging prescription $M(p_i, p_j) \rightarrow p_{ij}$.
- Radius R .

$$d(p_i) = (p_i^0)^{2\alpha}, \quad d(p_i, p_j) = \min\left((p_i^0)^{2\alpha}, (p_j^0)^{2\alpha}\right) \frac{\theta_{ij}}{R}$$

Common $\alpha = -1, 0, 1$.

Most important choice is 0.

Don't be mislead by -1.

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Start: $P = \{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n\}$ and $J = \{\}$

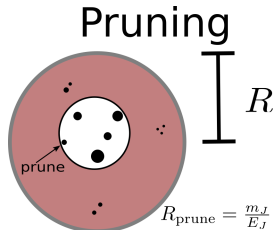
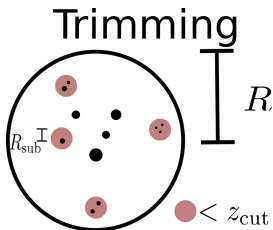
- 1 Compute d_i for all $p_i \in P$, compute d_{ij} for all $p_i, p_j \in P$.
- 2 If the smallest is some d_i , move i from P to J
- 3 If smallest is some pair p_i, p_j , merge them within P
- 4 Repeat till P is empty.

The Jet Algorithm builds a Clustering Tree and List of Jets.
Modern Grooming: Examine the Tree or List of Jets for **evil**, remove it.

- Trimming
- Pruning
- Modified Mass Drop Tagger/Soft Drop

Grooming the Jet

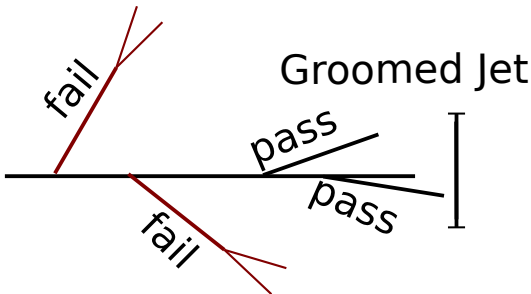
- **Trimming:** (Krohn et al. 0912.1342)
Recluster jet at smaller R_{sub} , drop subjets that are too soft.
- **Pruning:** (Ellis et al. 0912.0033)
Recluster jet at smaller $R_{\text{prune}} \propto \frac{m_J}{E_J}$.
When merging, drop soft branches **before** clustering.



Modified Mass Drop Tagger/Soft Drop

- Recluster Jet with $\alpha = 0$ (only angles!)
- *Decluster* jet, dropping branches that are too soft.
- When both branches are hard enough, that is the groomed jet.

$$\frac{\min(p_L^0, p_R^0)}{p_L^0 + p_R^0} > z_{\text{cut}}$$



Passing and Failing jet algorithms

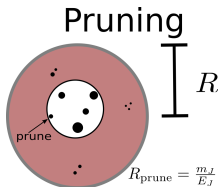
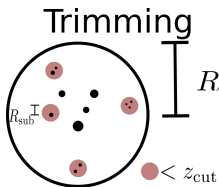
- Modified Mass Drop Tagger: **No angular parameter sets width of groomed jet.**
- Pruning and Trimming do have angular parameters.

And that is why they fail.

Pruning and Trimming fail

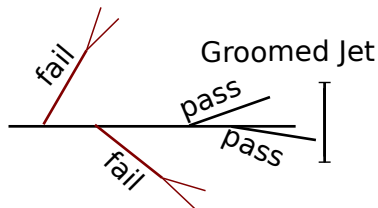
Why? Pruning and Trimming jet has a *set* angular area.

- Trimming makes holes of size R_{sub}^2
- Pruning shrinks jet down to R_{prune}^2
- Modified Mass Drop Tagger/Soft Drop: the groomed jet has **no** area.



Area of Jet: [Cacciari, Salam, Soyez 0802.1188]

Examining Modified Mass Drop Tagger/Soft Drop



No angular parameter sets width of groomed jet.

- *However*, it forces a collinear limit.
- C/A: decreasing angular scale as we decluster.
- QCD has dynamically imposed Angular Ordering: Soft radiation top of tree.
- First declustered branches most likely to fail.

“Collinear Factorization the Best Factorization!”

mMDT/Soft Drop forces collinear limit.

- Lessons from fragmentation: Universality
- z_h fraction of energy/transverse momentum carried by hadron h :
- C experimental cuts or tagged process.

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dz_h}(C) = \sum_{i=g,q} \int_{z_h}^1 \frac{dx}{x} \left[H \otimes f \otimes f \right]_i \left(x, C, Q, \mu \right) D_{i \rightarrow h} \left(\frac{z_h}{x}, \Lambda, \mu \right)$$

- $D_{i \rightarrow h} \left(z_h, \Lambda, \mu \right)$ is universal quantity.
- $\left[H \otimes f \otimes f \right]_i$ process dependent
number of quarks and gluons.

Collinear Factorization and mMDT/Soft Drop

mMDT/Soft Drop enjoys a collinear factorization:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\mathcal{M}}(C) = \sum_{i=g,q} \left[H \otimes f \otimes f \right]_i \left(C, Q, R, z_{\text{cut}}, \mu \right) \otimes \mathcal{J}_i \left(\mathcal{M}, R, P_T, z_{\text{cut}}, \mu \right)$$

- $\mathcal{M}$ an (almost) arbitrary set of measurements on the groomed constituents.
- R jet radius,
- P_T transverse momentum of jet (to beam, or jet energy)
- z_{cut} grooming parameter.

[Larkoski, Marzani, Soyez, Thaler 1402.2657],

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Note that C and $\mathcal{M}$ can have other hierarchies of scales!

Examples:

- $\mathcal{M} = m_J \ll P_T$, jet mass of groomed constituents

[Frye, Larkoski, Schwartz, Yan 1603.06375, 1603.09338]

- $R \ll 1$

[Kang, Lee, Liu, Ringer, 1803.03645]

- $\mathcal{M} = \{m_J, D_2\}$ two versus one prong jets

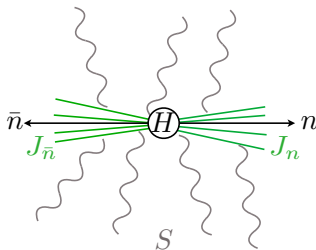
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→ **Further factorization/resummation of $\mathcal{J}_i$**

Soft-Collinear Effective Field Theory

SCET, a grammar for factorization:

- Operators defined by the IR limits of QCD.
- Constrained by symmetries of QCD.
- Constructs a systematic expansion of QCD observables.
- All momentum transfers between sectors expanded according to the power counting.
- Renormalization Scales and Subtractions to distinguish modes.

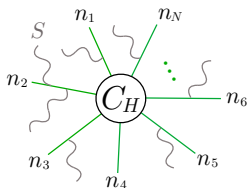


Factorization as a Theorem

Factorization:

Separating a cross-section into a finite product of non-trivial distributions, with support in distinct momentum regions.

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\tau} = \text{tr}[C_H(Q^2, \mu) S(\tau, \mu) C_H^\dagger(Q^2, \mu)] \otimes J_{n_1}(\tau, \mu) \otimes J_{n_2}(\tau, \mu) \otimes \dots \\ + O\left(\frac{\tau^2}{Q^2}\right) \dots$$

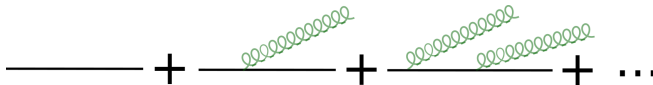


- J energetic jets or beams.
- S isotropic soft radiation.
- Non-perturbative effects contained in J or S .
- Universality of Asymptotics of QCD (Reusability of H, J, S)
- Resummation with Renormalization Group.

Coherent Branching

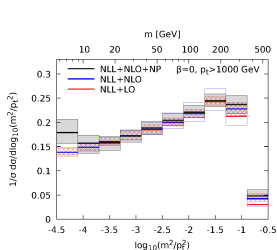
Probabilistic Exploration of Phase-Space

- Splitting Probability $dP \propto dS e^{-S}$
- S integrated splitting function
 $S \sim \int_0^1 dz \int \frac{d\theta}{\theta} \mathcal{M}(z, \theta) P(z; \theta)$
- **“Path-Integral for Jets”**: $\rightarrow$
Sum over all histories consistent with observed jet.
- Angular-ordered integration/sum over multiple emissions.

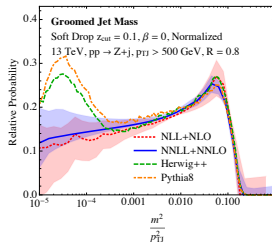


Sophisticated form: Equations for evolution of x-sec generating functional.

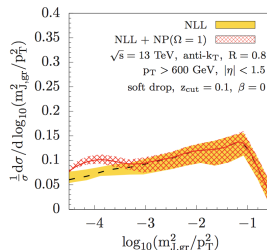
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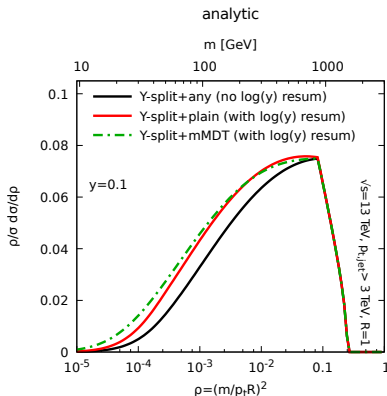


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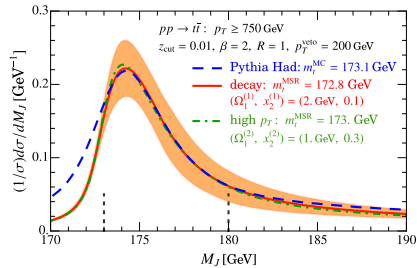
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Selected Results: Theory Jet Mass With Tagged 2-prongs



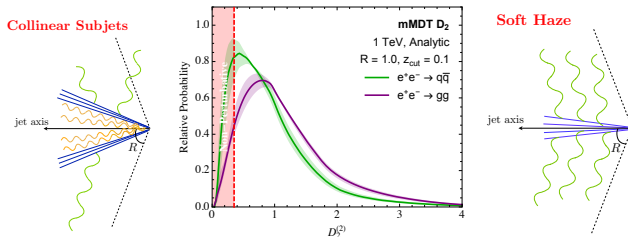
[Dasgupta, Powling, Schunk, Soyeze 1609.07149]

Selected Results: Top quark in a Jet Mass spectrum

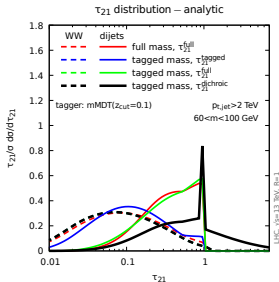


[Hoang, Mantry, Pathak, Stewart 1708.02586]

Selected Results: Theory One versus Two pronged Jets

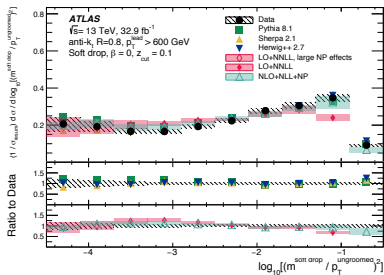


[Larkoski, Moutl, Neill 1708.06760, 1710.00014]

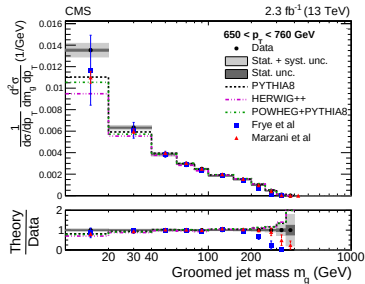


[Salam, Schunk, Soyez 1612.03917]

Selected Results: Experiment Jet Mass



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A serious question:

- α_S from jet substructure?

Things I left out...

- Fragmentation, fractal observables, track observables.
- Machine Learning.
- Fine/Coarse graining energy distributions:
Aggregate representations of jet.

Review [Larkoski, Moulton, Nachman 1709.04464]