

# V+jets with Sherpa

Validating ME+PS merging against Tevatron data

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- The Sherpa approach ( $\geq v1.2.0$ )
  - tree-level matrix elements and truncated showers
  - inherent systematics
- Validation/Application for DY & prompt-photons at Tevatron

# Simulating Hadron–Hadron Collisions

## The Monte Carlo approach

- Hard interaction

exact matrix elements  $|\mathcal{M}|^2$

- QCD bremsstrahlung

parton showers in the initial and final state

- Multiple Interactions

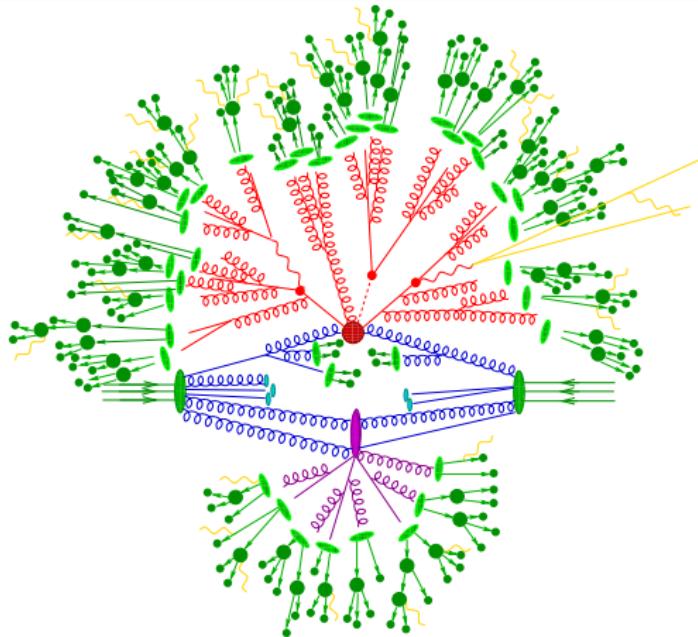
beyond factorisation: modelling

- Hadronisation

non perturbative QCD: modelling

- Hadron Decays

phase space or effective theories



⇒ fully exclusive hadronic final states

⇒ direct comparison with experimental data

modulo detector simulation

**Herwig, Pythia, Sherpa**

# Catani–Seymour dipole factorisation based Shower

Catani–Seymour local subtraction term

$$\int_{m+1} d\sigma^A = \sum_{\text{dipoles}} \int_m d\sigma^B \otimes \int_1 dV_{\text{dipole}}$$

spin- & color correlation  $\longleftrightarrow$   $\longleftrightarrow$  universal dipole term

[Catani, Seymour Nucl. Phys. B 485 (1997) 291]

[Catani, Dittmaier, Seymour, Trocsanyi Nucl. Phys. B 627 (2002) 189]

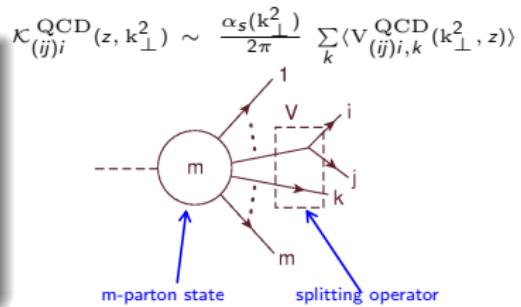
Ansatz: complete factorisation through

- projection onto leading term in  $1/N_c$
- spin averaged dipole terms  $V_{\text{dipole}} \rightarrow \langle V_{\text{dipole}} \rangle$

## Shower Algorithm

[Krauss, S. JHEP 0803 (2008) 038]

- color connected emitter–spectator 'dipoles'
- subsequent branchings of type II, IF, FI, FF
- exact momentum mappings invertible
- emissions ordered in  $k_\perp^2$



# Matrix Elements and Truncated Showers: ME $\oplus$ TS

## Describe few hardest emissions through ME

- emission phase space sliced IR sensible measure  $Q$ 
  - Soft/collinear emissions from shower  $Q < Q_{\text{cut}}$
  - Hard emissions from matrix element  $Q > Q_{\text{cut}}$

~~ Sudakov form factor factorises

$$\Delta_a(\mu^2, k_\perp^2) = \Delta_a^{\text{PS}}(\mu^2, k_\perp^2) \Delta_a^{\text{ME}}(\mu^2, k_\perp^2)$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathcal{K}_{ba}^{\text{ME}}(z, k_\perp^2) \rightarrow \frac{1}{d\hat{\sigma}_a^{(N)}(\Phi_N)} \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_b^{(N+1)}(z, k_\perp^2; \Phi_N)}{d \log(k_\perp^2/\mu^2) dz}$$

A new merging algorithm [Höche, Krauss, S., Siegert JHEP 0905 (2009) 053]

→ **pseudo shower history for MEs**

cluster algorithm inverse to the shower

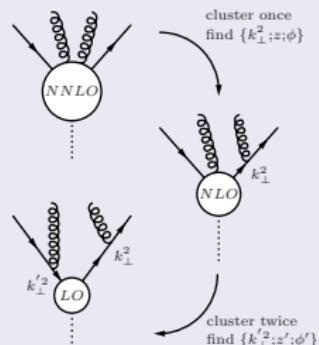
→ **Truncated Shower**

PS starts at  $2 \rightarrow 2$  core and can radiate partons off intermediate lines i.e. “between” ME partons

ME branchings must be respected

evolution-, splitting- & angular variables  $\{k_\perp^2, z, \phi\}$  preserved

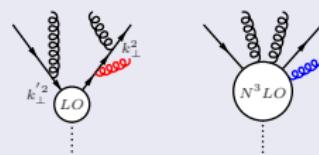
## Pseudo shower history



## Truncated shower

$Q < Q_{\text{cut}}$

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# Matrix Elements and Truncated Showers: ME $\oplus$ TS

The proposed measure: final-state splitting  $(ij) \rightarrow ij$

$$Q_{ij}^2 = 2 p_i p_j \min_{k \neq i,j} \frac{2}{C_{i,j}^k + C_{j,i}^k}; \quad C_{i,j}^k = \begin{cases} \frac{p_i p_k}{(p_i + p_k)p_j} - \frac{m_i^2}{2 p_i p_j} & \text{if } j = g \\ 1 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$\hookleftarrow$  minimize over color partners  $k$

The proposed measure: initial-state splitting  $a \rightarrow (aj)j$

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$\hookleftarrow$  minimize over color partners  $k$

- measure correctly identifies IR enhanced phase-space regions
- regulator for matrix elements & veto measure for the shower
- no additional free parameter is introduced as e.g.  $D$  for the Run II  $k_T$  algorithm

# Systematics

# Sources of Systematics

## merging related

we try hard to minimize that

- value of phase-space separation cut,  $Q_{\text{cut}}$  [cancels to the log-accuracy of the shower]
- maximum number of jets from hard ME's,  $N_{\max}$
- choice of internal separation measure

## pQCD related

dynamical scale choice inherent

- scale uncertainties from ME's [e.g.  $\mu_R$  of the  $2 \rightarrow 2$  core]
- scale uncertainties from PS's [e.g. rescaled factorisation/start scale]

## pQCD/npQCD transition

- parton-shower IR cut-off / intrinsic transverse momentum [tuned at LEP & low- $p_T$  DY]
- PDF +  $\alpha_S$  from the fit [enter in ME and PS]

## npQCD related

need to be tuned

- hadronisation parameters [Professor tune to LEP data]
- Underlying Event parameters [so far hand-tuned only]

# Drell-Yan

# $Z^0 + \text{jets}$ at Tevatron: Total cross sections

$Q_{cut}$  and/or  $N_{max}$  variation should affect  $\sigma_{tot}$  only beyond (N)LL

Example: DY-pair production  $\sigma_{tot}$  @ Tevatron

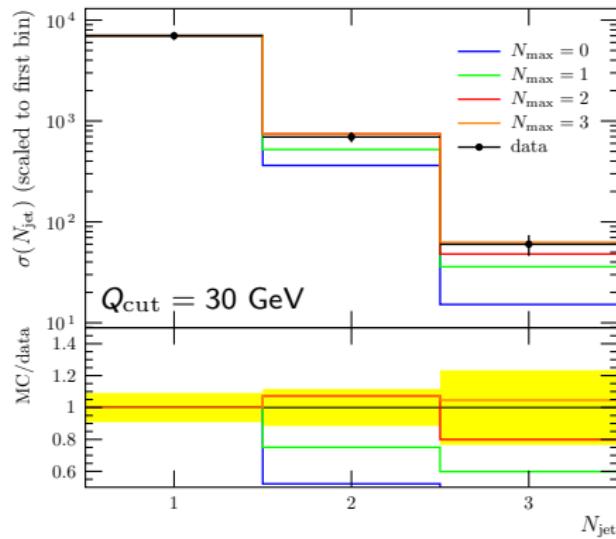
		$N_{max}$						
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6
$Q_{cut}$	20 GeV	191.0(3)	190.5(4)	189.0(5)	189.4(7)	188.2(8)	189.9(10)	
	30 GeV	192.6(1)	192.3(2)	192.7(2)	192.6(3)	192.9(3)	192.7(3)	193.2(3)
	45 GeV	193.6(1)	194.4(1)	194.3(1)	194.4(1)	194.6(2)	194.4(1)	

~~ “merging systematics” of  $\sigma_{tot} < \pm 3\%$

# $Z^0 + \text{jets}$ at Tevatron: jet multiplicities

Jet rates and -spectra improved compared to pure PS simulation  
due to exact real emission ME's

Example: DY-pair production  $\sigma_{e^+e^- + N_{\text{jet}}}$  CDF Data: PRL **100** (2008) 102001  
[Sherpa normalized to  $\sigma_{e^+e^- + 1_{\text{jet}}}$ ]



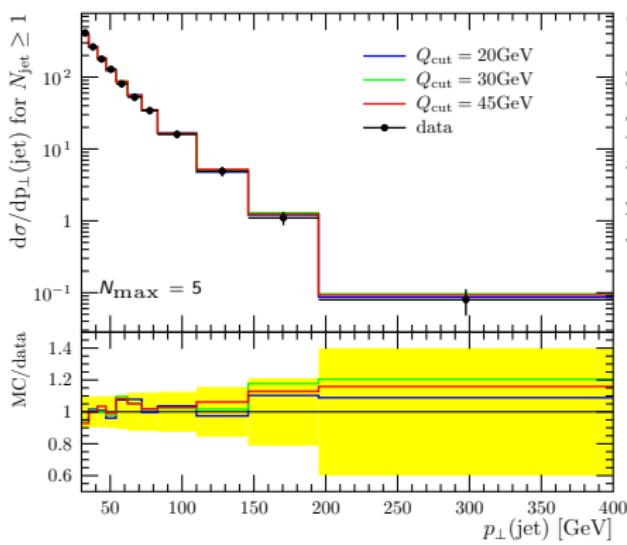
# $Z^0 + \text{jets}$ at Tevatron: jet spectra

Variation of  $Q_{\text{cut}}$  should affect distributions only beyond (N)LL  
But  $Q_{\text{cut}}$  must be in range where PS approximation is valid!

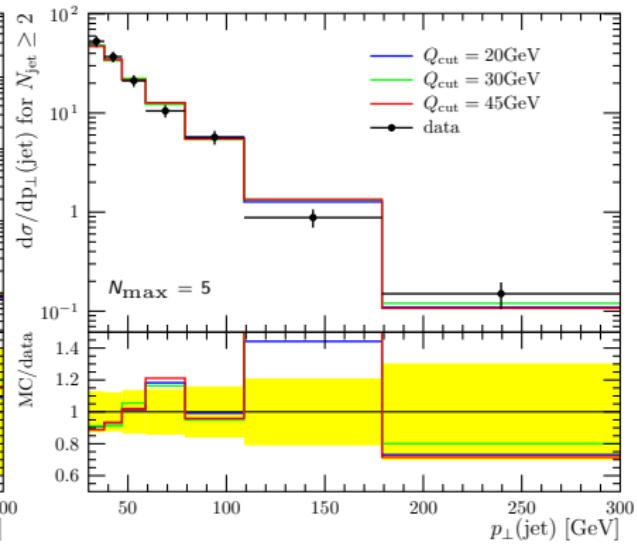
Example: All-jets  $p_T$ 's in DY-pair production CDF Data: PRL 100 (2008) 102001

[Sherpa normalized to  $\sigma_{e^+e^- + 1\text{jet}}$ ]

$p_T(\text{jet})$  for  $N_{\text{jet}} \geq 1$



$p_T(\text{jet})$  for  $N_{\text{jet}} \geq 2$

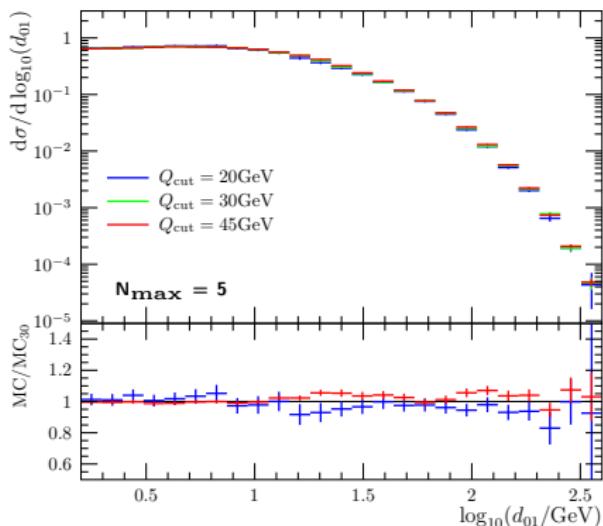


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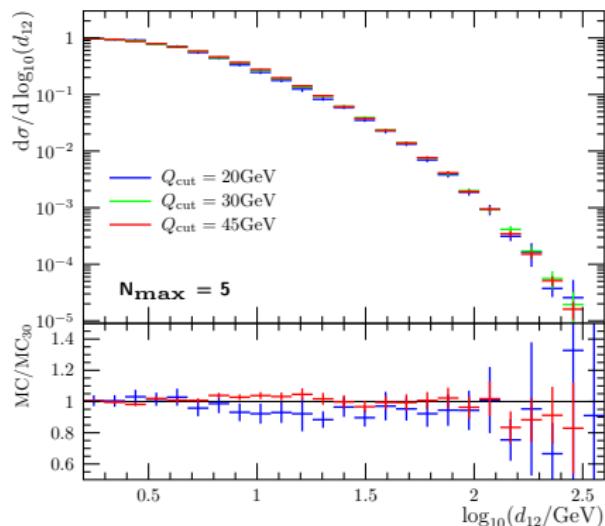
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Example: Differential  $\mathbf{k}_T$  jet rates

$1 \rightarrow 0$



$2 \rightarrow 1$



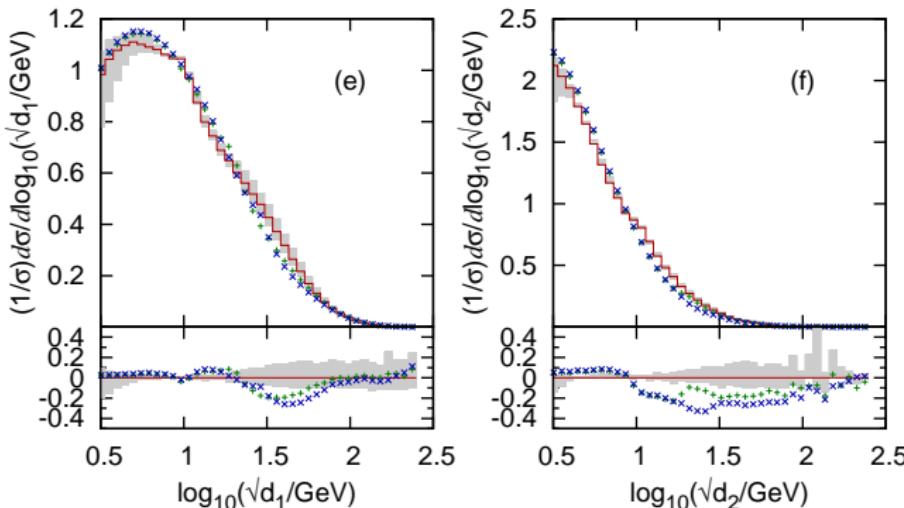
~~  $Q_{\text{cut}}$  variations within  $\pm 10\%$

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⇒ 'old' Sherpa CKKW for  $W + \text{jets}$  [Alwall et. al Eur. Phys. J. C 53 (2008) 473]

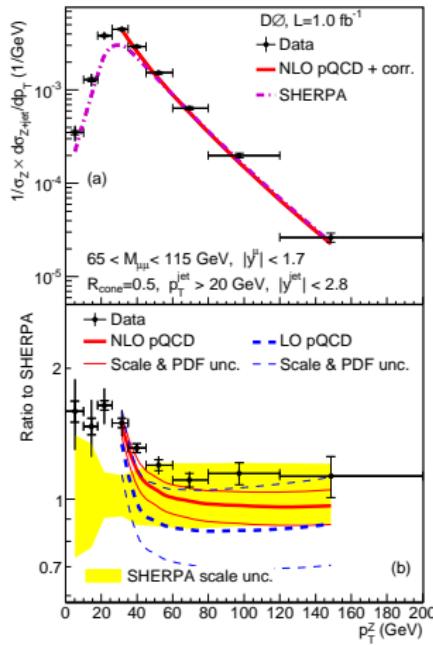


# $Z^0 + \text{jets}$ at Tevatron: $Z/\gamma^*$ transverse momentum

Comparison to Sherpa's CKKW implementation in v1.1.3

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Sherpa v1.1.3

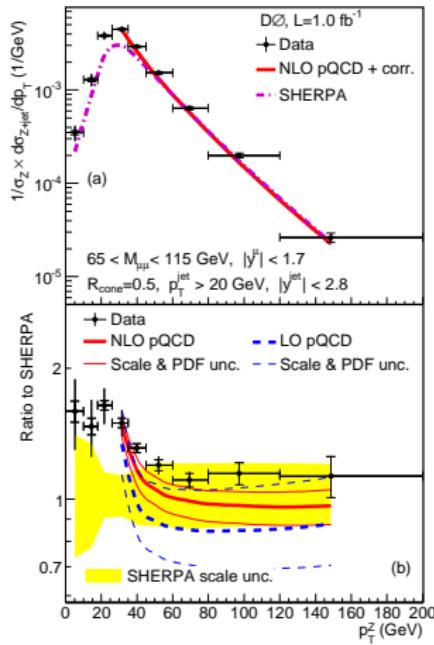


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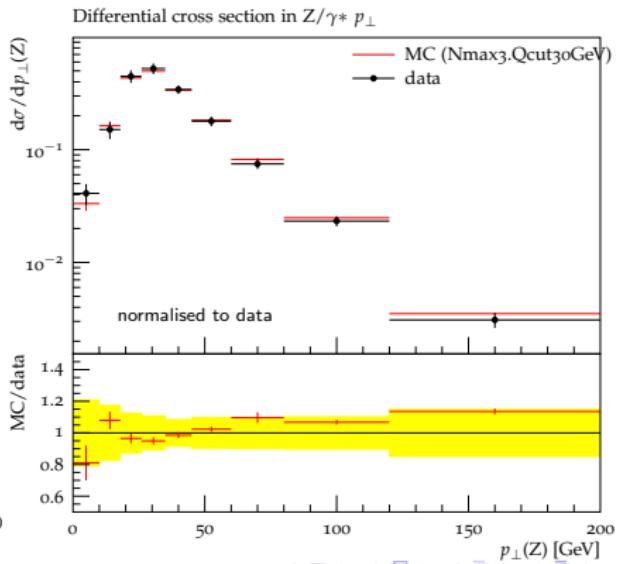
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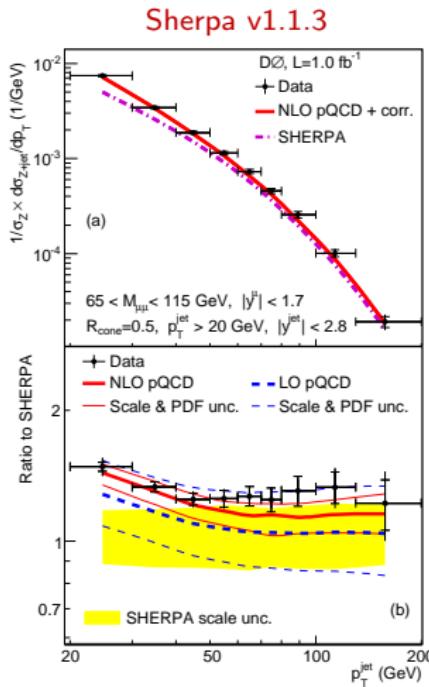
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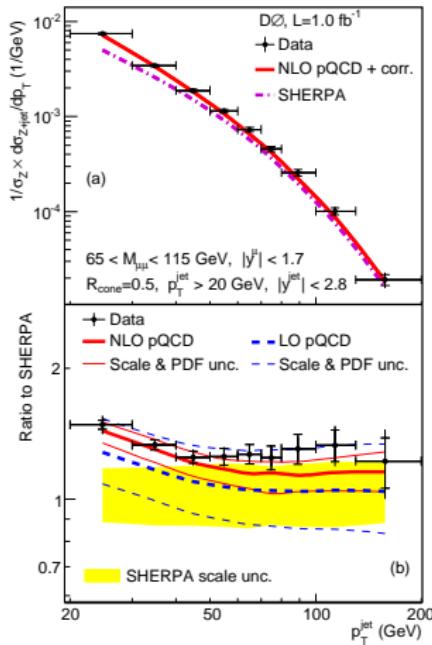


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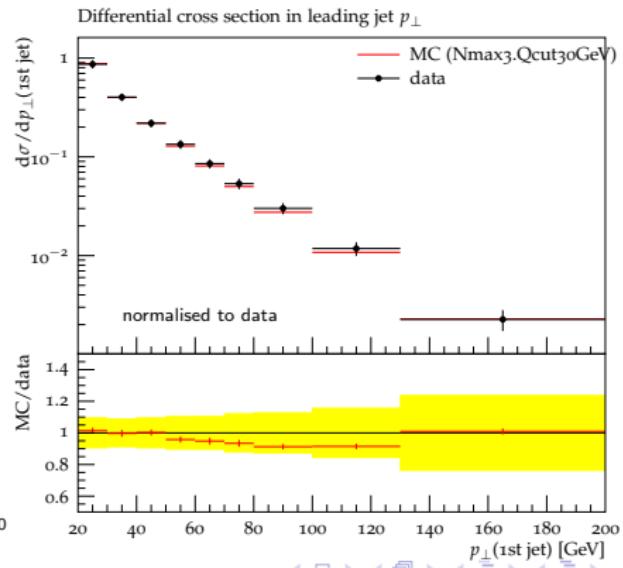
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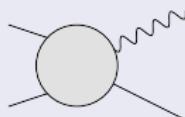


# Prompt-Photons

# Prompt-Photon Production at Hadron Colliders

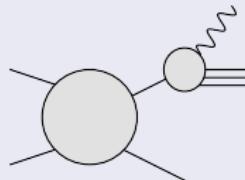
## The perturbative QCD approach

### Direct production



- fixed-order calculations
  - $\gamma + \text{jet}$  @ NLO (JetPhox) [Catani et. al]
  - $\gamma\gamma$  @ NLO (DiPhox) [Binoth et. al]
  - $\gamma\gamma + \text{jet}$  @ NLO [Del Duca et. al]
  - $gg \rightarrow \gamma\gamma g$  [de Florian et. al]

### Fragmentation component



- QED  $\gamma - q$  collinear singularity
- resummation to all orders  $\alpha_s$
- fragmentation function  $D_{q,g}^\gamma$

[Llewellyn Smith Phys. Lett. B 79 (1978) 83]

### Pre-requisites

- IR safe cross-section definition based on photon-isolation criterium
  - [cone, smooth isolation, democratic approach]
- input for the non-perturbative component of  $D_{q,g}^\gamma(z, Q^2)$
- **non-prompt** component, e.g.  $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ ,  $\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ , experimentally separable

# Prompt-Photon Production at Hadron Colliders

## A new Monte Carlo model [Höche, S., Siegert PRD 81 (2010) 034026]

### Democratic Monte Carlo model

- treat photons and QCD partons fully democratically [Glover, Morgan Z. Phys. C 62 (1994) 311]
- combine matrix elements of different parton/photon multiplicity with
- interleaved QCD $\oplus$ QED evolution and hadronization  $\rightsquigarrow$  models  $D_{q,g}^\gamma(z, Q^2)$

### Generalized merging formalism

- emission probabilities factorise trivially

$$\Delta_a(\mu^2, k_\perp^2) = \Delta_a^{\text{QCD}}(\mu^2, k_\perp^2) \Delta_a^{\text{QED}}(\mu^2, k_\perp^2)$$

- implemented by adding splitting functions  $q \rightarrow q\gamma$

$$\mathcal{K}_{(ij)i}^{\text{QED}}(z, k_\perp^2) \sim \frac{\alpha(k_\perp^2)}{2\pi} \sum_k \langle V_{(ij)i,k}^{\text{QED}}(k_\perp^2, z) \rangle$$

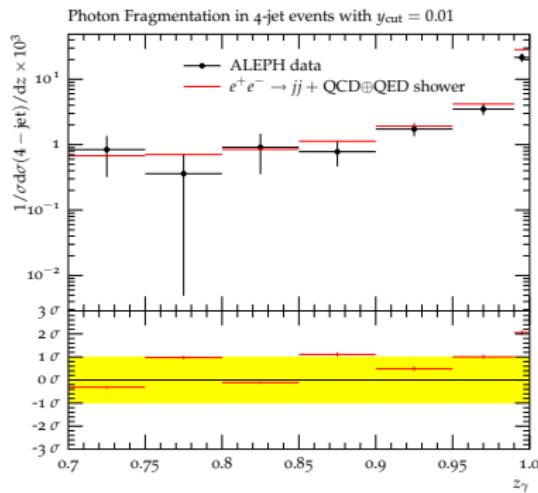
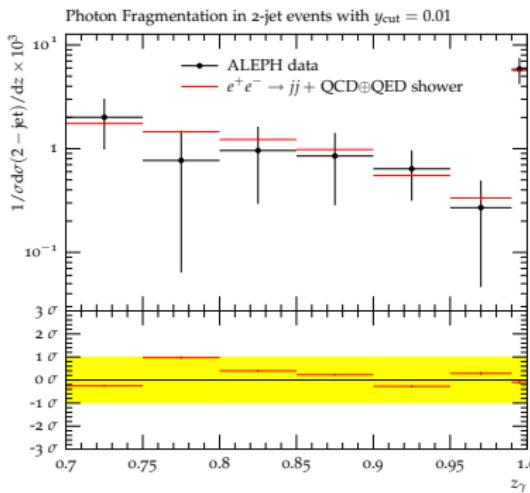
- different than large- $N_C$  QCD: spectators *all* particles with opposite charge
- neglect (negative) interference with same-sign charges [Dittmaier Nucl. Phys. B 565 (2000) 69]

# Prompt-Photon Production at Hadron Colliders

## Measuring the photon fragmentation function in $e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{Hadrons}$

- validation of the shower/hadronization component
- perform jet finding including final-state photons
- study photon-energy fraction wrt its containing jet:  $z_\gamma \equiv E_\gamma/E_{\text{jet}}$
- measured by ALEPH for 2-jet, 3-jet,  $\geq 4$ -jet events at varying  $y_{\text{cut}}^{\text{Durham}}$

[Z. Phys. C 69 (1996) 365]



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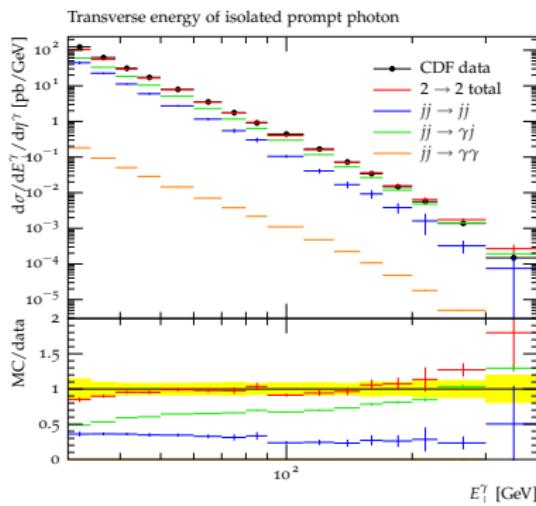
## Isolated prompt-photon production at Tevatron

- CDF data [Phys. Rev. D **80** (2009) 111106]

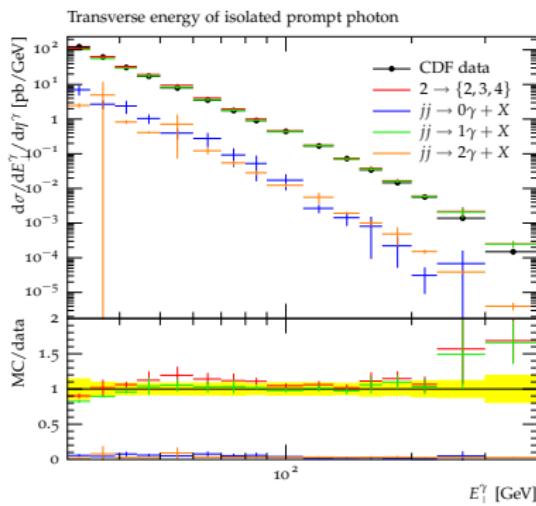
cuts:  $30 < E_T^\gamma < 400$  GeV,  $|\eta^\gamma| < 1$ , isolation:  $E_T^{R=0.4} - E_T^\gamma < 2$  GeV

- Sherpa:  $jj \rightarrow jj/\gamma j/\gamma\gamma + \text{shower}$  vs. ME $\oplus$ TS with  $N_{\max} = 2$

$E_T^\gamma$  – pure shower



$E_T^\gamma$  – ME $\oplus$ TS

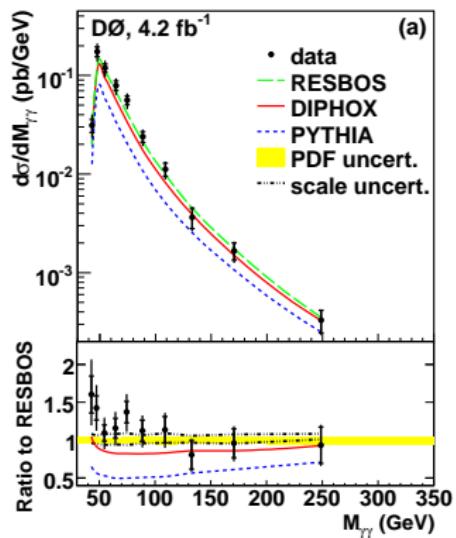
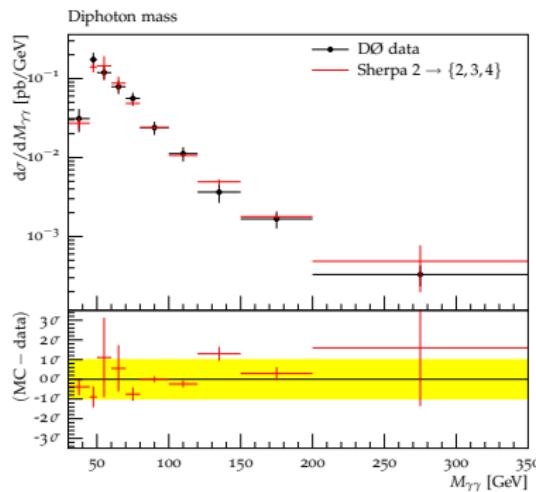


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## Di-Photon production at Tevatron

- DØ data [arXiv:1002.4917]  
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## Di-Photon invariant mass

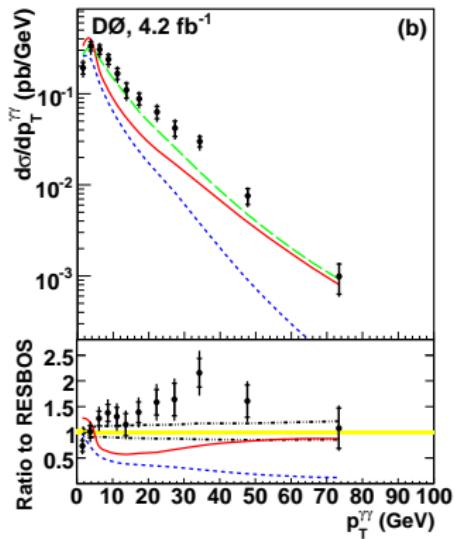
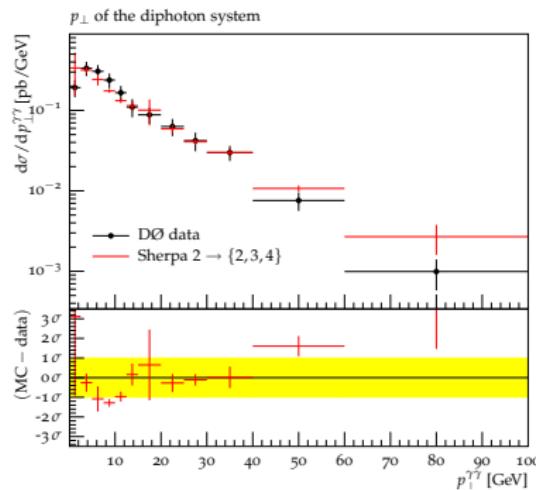


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## Di-Photon transverse momentum

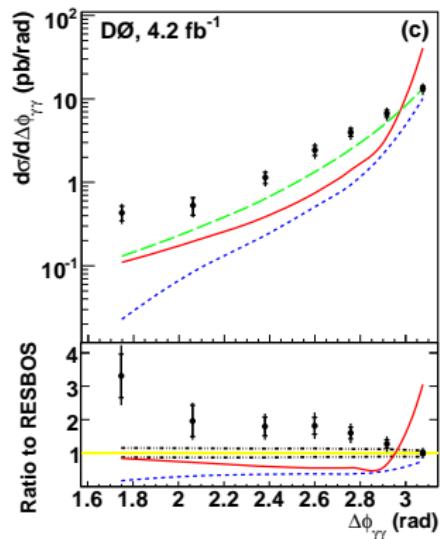
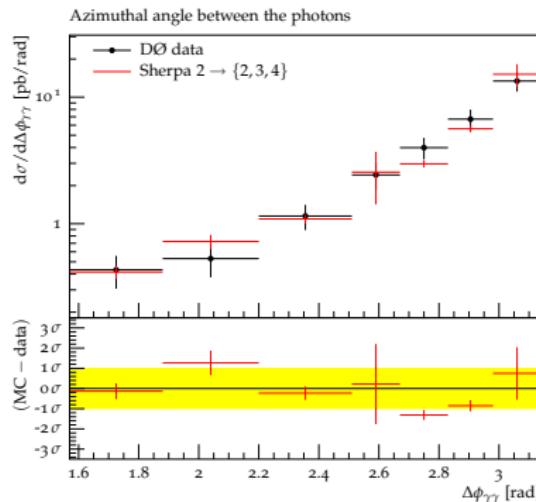


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## Di-Photon azimuthal de-correlation



# Summary/Outlook

## Summary

- Multijet ME-PS merging sustainable approach to describe multijet events
- Virtues of two complementary approaches combined
  - hard emissions through exact **tree-level matrix elements**
  - (intra) jet evolution through **truncated QCD parton showers**
- New formalism available within Sherpa-1.2 [Höche, Krauss, S., Siegert JHEP **0905** (2009) 053]
  - MEs from Comix [Gleisberg, Höche JHEP **0812** (2008) 039]
  - dipole subtraction based shower [S., Krauss JHEP **0803** (2008) 038]
  - interleaved QCD $\oplus$ QED evolution [Höche, S., Siegert PRD **81** (2010) 034026]
  - Deep Inelastic Scattering [Carli, Gehrman, Höche arXiv:0912:3715]

## Validation

- improved/reduced systematics wrt 'old' CKKW implementation
- good agreement with Tevatron data & pQCD NLO calculations
- Tevatron data extremely useful to develop/validate our MC models
- Rivet proves to be the perfect tool for direct comparison.

