

# HERWIRI: Progress on a Precision Event Generator for W and Z Production at the LHC



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# W and Z Production at the LHC

Vector Boson Production will be an important process at the LHC:

- Precision luminosity measurement (1%).
- Precision EW parameter measurements
- Constraints on PDFs via Z/W rapidity.
- Important for detector calibration.
- New physics searches: Z' predicted by various SM extensions – few TeV range accessible.

# Precision Event Generator

- An event generator is needed at 1% precision.
- The present best event generators incorporate NLO QCD with a parton shower:

**MC@NLO** (Frixione, Webber), **POWHEG** (Nason)

- NNLO QCD is available, but not interfaced to a shower: **Vrap** (Anastasiou, Dixon, Melnikov, Petriello) and **FEWZ** (Melnikov, Petriello).
- Electroweak corrections cannot be neglected.  
[ $\approx 0.3\%$  to  $4\%$ , depending on cuts and process]
- Details: PHENO LHC2 (Pyle 121, 4:45 Tues.)

# Existing Shower Generators

- Traditionally,  $W$  and  $Z$  production have been calculated using a tree-level matrix element for the hard process, coupled with a shower generator for multiple-gluon emission in the initial state. These are packaged with hadronization routines, PDFs, etc needed to generate a complete event.

## **HERWIG, PYTHIA, ISAJET, SHERPA**

- **MC@NLO** & **POWHEG** extend HERWIG with an NLO hard process, matched to the shower.

# QCD $\otimes$ QED Exponentiation

- Our proposal is based on a simultaneous exponentiation of QCD and QED radiative corrections
- Motivation: successful application of YFS exponentiation in BHLUMI, KKMC, ...
  - DeLaney et al, Phys. Rev. D52, 108 (1995)
  - Glosser et al, Mod. Phys. Lett A19, 2113 (2004)
  - (many more – with references in the following)
  - Ward et al, ICHEP-2008 arXiv:0810.0723

# Electroweak Corrections

- Electroweak corrections have been added in several ways:
- **PHOTOS** is an add-on generator which adds multi-photon emission to final state particles using exponentiation.
- **HORACE** combines exact  $O(\alpha)$  EWK corrections with a QED parton shower.
- PDFs are available (MRST2004) that include QED in the DGLAP evolution.

# Electroweak Corrections

- Mixed  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s \alpha)$  EWK corrections will be needed to reach the 1% level. These are not yet implemented, but we have calculated approximate mixed corrections using PHOTOS + MC@NLO and found EWK contributions can reach 2% or more for Z or W (typical cuts).  
[Adams, Halyo, Yost, JHEP 05 \(2008\) 062, arXiv:0802.3251](#)  
[Adams, Halyo, Yost, Zhu, JHEP 09 \(2008\) 113, arXiv:0808.0758](#)
- The EWK contribution becomes more important in TeV-scale new physics studies.

# HERWIG + QED Exponentiation

- Proposal: Add QED radiation to HERWIG in the same manner as it is added in the KKMC, using YFS exponentiation.

[[Jadach, Ward, Was, PRD63, 113009 \(2001\), ...](#)]

- This builds on a set of radiative corrections developed to high precision for LEP physics over a course of at least 15 years.
- The YFS structure is conducive to building a multiplicative weight, good for stable calculations. Good soft/collinear behavior.



# HERWIG + QED Exponentiation

- The program has been called **HERWIRI** – **High Energy Radiation With IR Improvement**

The name is an umbrella covering several aspects of QCD  $\otimes$  QED exponentiation combined with the HERWIG parton shower.

This particular subset of corrections (QED exponentiation only), is called **HERWIRI 2.0**.

Integration of the KKMC YFS3 module with HERWIG began last year, and should finish this summer. [[Halyo](#), [Hejna](#), [Ward](#), [Yost](#)]

# HERWIG + QED Exponentiation

- The programs have been merged, but some important details remain.
- The YFS3 routines were for  $e^+e^-$  scattering and must be modified for ISR with quarks (charge, mass parameters, color factor).
- The weights must be matched: both programs include a Born factor, and both generate an angle for the final state leptons in their CM frame. This can be handled with a multiplicative reweighting factor.

# KKMC Radiative Corrections

- KKMC uses a combined expansion in powers of  $\alpha$  and big logarithms ( $L = \ln s/m_f^2$ ):

	LL	NLL	NNLL	N <sup>3</sup> LL
LO	1			
NLO	$\alpha L$	$\alpha$		
NNLO	$\alpha^2 L^2$	$\alpha^2 L$	$\alpha^2$	
N <sup>3</sup> LO	$\alpha^3 L^3$	$\alpha^3 L^2$	$\alpha^3 L$	$\alpha^3$

0.5 – 1 %	0.1 – 0.5%	0.01 – 0.05%
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Errors shown are with exponentiation. Without it, they are 2-5 times more.

# QED Exponentiation in KKMC

- The QED corrections in KKMC include YFS exponentiation. This is a re-ordering of the perturbation series in which certain terms are summed to all orders, and the residuals are calculated exactly to the order needed.
- The exponentiation is done exclusively, before integrating over phase space, for the cross-section (EEX) or amplitude (CEEX).
- We are adapting the YFS3 module, which implements EEX for ISR and FSR photons.

# YFS-Exponentiated QED

For lepton pair production with FSR,

$$e^-(p_1) e^+(p_2) \rightarrow l(q_1) \bar{l}(q_2) + n\gamma(k_1, \dots, k_n)$$

renormalization-group improved YFS theory organizes the cross section as follows:

$$d\sigma_{\text{exp}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \int \frac{d^3 q_1 d^3 q_2}{q_1^0 q_2^0} \prod_{j=1}^n \frac{d^3 k_j}{k_j^0} e^{2\alpha Y(q_1, q_2, \kappa)}$$

YFS form factor.  
 $\kappa = \text{IR cutoff}$

$$\times \int \frac{d^4 y}{(2\pi)^4} e^{iy \cdot (p_1 + p_2 - q_1 - q_2 - \sum_j k_j) + D(y; q_1, q_2, \kappa)} \bar{\beta}(k_1, \dots, k_n)$$

YFS residuals:  
Calculate to desired order (IR-finite)

# YFS Exponentiation for QED

- YFS IR functions:

$$Y(q_1, q_2, \kappa) = -\frac{Q_f^2}{8\pi^2} \int_{k^0 > \kappa} \frac{d^3k}{k^0} \left( \frac{q_1}{q_1 \cdot k} - \frac{q_2}{q_2 \cdot k} \right)^2$$

Soft Photons

Virtual Photons

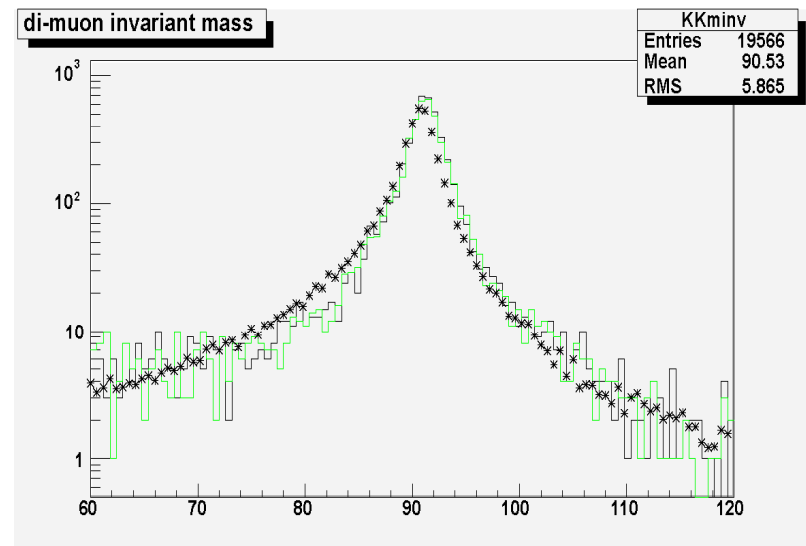
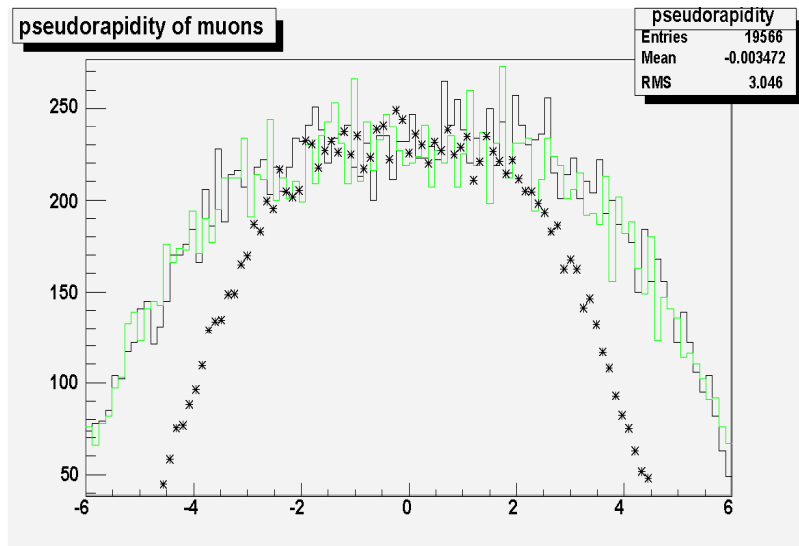
$$+ \frac{Q_f^2}{8\pi^2} \text{Re} \int \frac{d^4k}{k^2} \frac{i}{\pi} \left( \frac{2q_1 - k}{(2q_1 - k) \cdot k} - \frac{2q_2 - k}{(2q_2 - k) \cdot k} \right)^2$$

$$D(y; q_1, q_2, \kappa) = \frac{\alpha Q_f^2}{4\pi^2} \int \frac{d^3k}{k^0} \left( \frac{q_1}{q_1 \cdot k} - \frac{q_2}{q_2 \cdot k} \right)^2 \left[ e^{-iy \cdot k} - \theta(\kappa - k^0) \right]$$

The result is independent of the soft-photon cutoff  $\kappa$ .

# Preliminary Distributions

## ● Comparisons with Horace



— HERWIRI2.0

— Horace 3.1

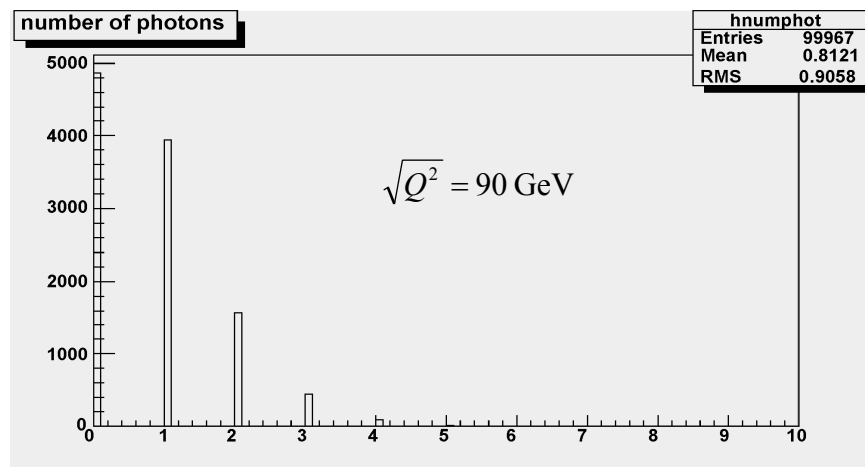
\* HERWIG6.5

FSR only. Uncorrected weights

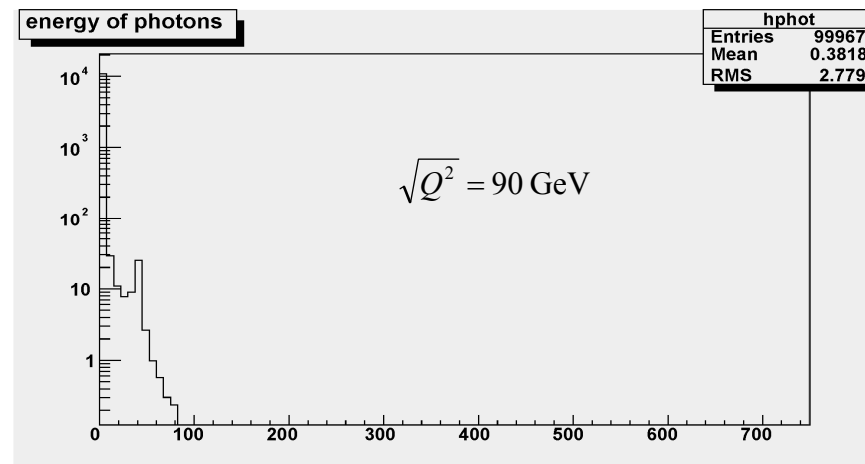
# Generated Photons: Test Runs

Generated Photons in  
a fixed- $Q^2$  test run

Number of photons:



Total photon energy:





# Next Steps

- HERWIRI 2.0 is partly a warm-up project for extending the MC implementation of simultaneous QCD  $\otimes$  QED exponentiation to the case of mixed gluons and photons.
- The first real test of this will be merging the KKMC exponentiated QED radiation with MC@NLO.
- The extension to  $W$  processes is less straightforward, since KKMC assumes a neutral boson. The same principles still apply.

# QCD Exponentiation

- So far, we have discussed the beginnings of the construction of a much larger project, in which the QCD perturbative series is re-organized analogously to the QED series in YFS exponentiation.
- This is made possible by the fact that soft and virtual corrections still cancel, and can be represented by a QCD analog of the YFS form factor  $Y$ .

# QCD Exponentiation

- Specifically, the gluon analog of the YFS Form factor is

$$\begin{aligned}
 Y_{\text{QCD}}(q_1, q_2, \kappa) = & -\frac{1}{8\pi^2} \int_{k^0 < \kappa} \frac{d^3 k}{k^0} \left\{ C_F \left( \frac{q_1}{q_1 \cdot k} - \frac{q_2}{q_2 \cdot k} \right)^2 - \Delta C_S \frac{2 p_1 \cdot p_2}{(p_1 \cdot k)(p_2 \cdot k)} \right\} \\
 & + \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \text{Re} \int \frac{d^4 k}{k^2} \frac{i}{\pi} \left\{ \left( \frac{2q_1 - k}{(2q_1 - k) \cdot k} - \frac{2q_2 - k}{(2q_2 - k) \cdot k} \right)^2 \right. \\
 & \left. - \Delta C_S \frac{2(2q_1 - k) \cdot (2q_2 - k)}{[(2q_1 - k) \cdot k][(2q_2 - k) \cdot k]} \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

with  $C_F = 4/3$ ,  $\Delta C_S = -1$  ( $qq'$ ) or  $-1/6$  ( $q\bar{q}'$ )

# QCD Exponentiation

- The residuals are not automatically IR finite, because of non-abelian terms missed in the exponentiation. However, they still cancel in pairs, permitting an IR-finite definition of the  $\beta$ 's at each order.
- The IR-finite  $\beta$ 's can then be calculated to the desired order in perturbation theory.
- This re-organized perturbative series is completely equivalent to the standard one. Nothing has been added or taken away.

# IR-Improved DGLAP Evolution

- As an application of the proposed QCD exponentiation, Ward has applied it to the DGLAP kernels, obtaining “IR-Improved” kernels.

[Ann. Phys. 323 (2008) 2147, PRD78 (2008) 056001]

- Standard evolution of NS structure function:

$$\frac{dq^{\text{NS}}(x,t)}{dt} = \frac{\alpha_s(t)}{2\pi} \int_x^1 \frac{dy}{y} q^{\text{NS}}(y,t) P_{qq}\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)$$

$$P_{qq}(z) = C_F \frac{1+z^2}{1-z}, \quad t = \log\left(\frac{\mu^2}{\mu_0^2}\right)$$

# IR-Improved DGLAP Kernels

- But  $1/(1-z)$  requires regularization. The usual choice is a “+ distribution”

$$\left(\frac{1}{1-z}\right)_+ = \frac{1}{1-z} \theta(1-z-\varepsilon) + \delta(z-1) \log \varepsilon$$

with  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ . After adding virtual corrections,

$$P_{qq}(z) = C_F \left[ \left(\frac{1+z^2}{1-z}\right)_+ + \frac{3}{2} \delta(z-1) \right]$$

Mathematically, this is fine, but ... how well does it represent real data? Can it be improved?

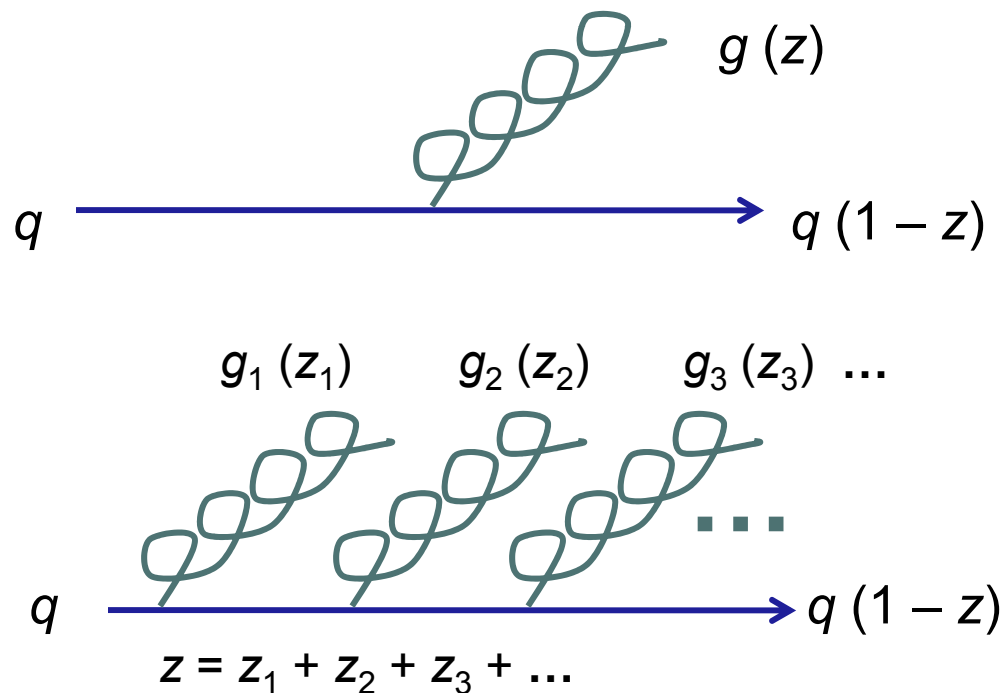
# IR-Improved DGLAP Kernels

- In practice,  $\varepsilon$  has to be set to a finite value, giving a bizarre mathematical artifact:
  - The region where the distribution is most strongly peaked,  $1 - \varepsilon < z < 1$ , now has no contribution at all!
- This is compensated by a large negative integrable contribution from  $z = 1$ .
- Experience from LEP shows that such perturbative artifacts impair the precision, but this can be cured by exponentiation...

# IR-Improved DGLAP Kernels

- A more reasonable behavior at  $z \rightarrow 1$  can be obtained by exponentiation, replacing the standard

by a sum





# IR-Improved DGLAP Kernels

- The modification can be calculated using YFS-style exponentiation, leading to [\[Ward\]](#)

$$P_{qq}(z) = C_F F_{YFS}(\gamma_q) e^{\delta_q/2} \left[ \frac{1+z^2}{1-z} (1-z)^{\gamma_q} - f_q(\gamma_q) \delta(z-1) \right]$$

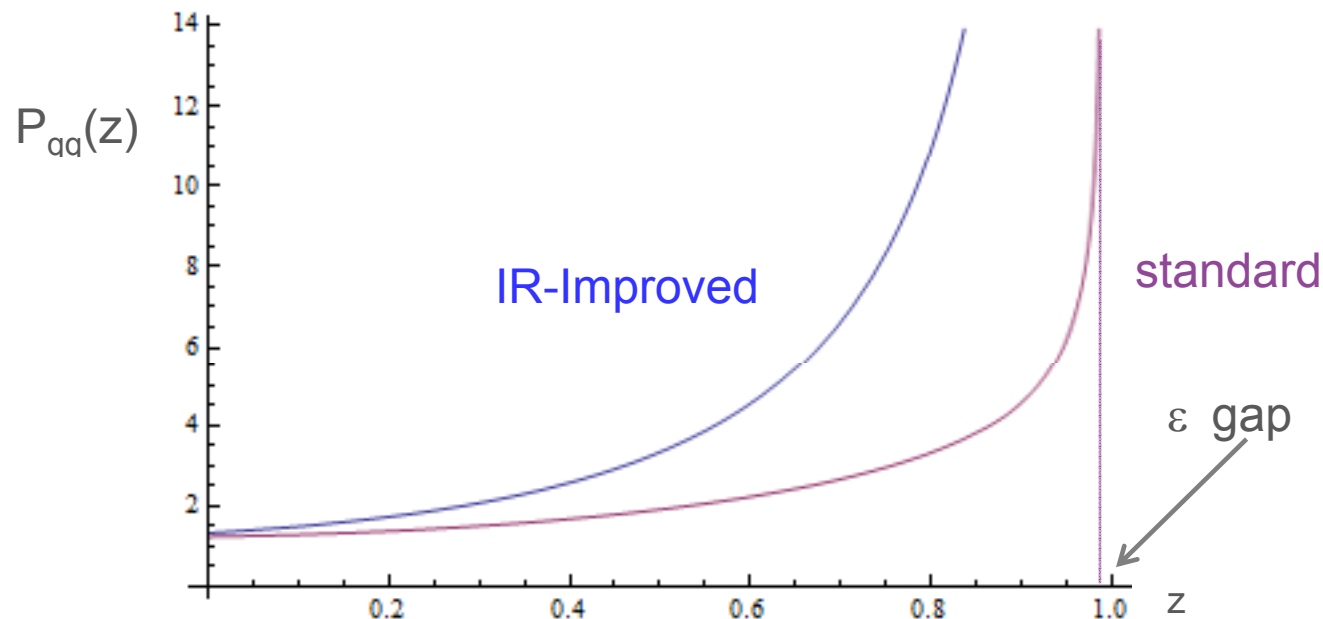
with

$$\gamma_q = \frac{C_F \alpha_s}{\pi} t = \frac{4C_F}{\beta_0}, \quad \beta_0 = 11 - \frac{2}{3} n_f, \quad \delta_q = \frac{\gamma_q}{2} + \frac{C_F \alpha_s}{\pi} \left( \frac{\pi^2}{3} - \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$f_q(\gamma_q) = \frac{2}{\gamma_q} - \frac{2}{\gamma_q + 1} + \frac{1}{\gamma_q + 2}, \quad F_{YFS}(\gamma_q) = \frac{e^{-0.5772\dots\gamma_q}}{\Gamma(\gamma_q + 1)}$$

# IR-Improved DGLAP Kernels

- Both kernels agree at  $z = 0$  and become large at  $z \rightarrow 1$ , but the exponentiated one has an **integrable** IR limit. This gives more realistic behavior for  $z \rightarrow 1$  than the + function.



# IR-Improved DGLAP Kernels

- Also,  $P_{Gq}(z) = P_{qq}(1-z)$  for  $z < 1$  as in standard DGLAP theory

- Quark momentum sum rule: can verify

$$\int_0^1 z dz \left( P_{Gq}(z) + P_{qq}(z) \right) = 0$$

- The remaining standard kernels are

$$P_{GG}(z) = 2C_G \left( \frac{1-z}{z} + \frac{z}{1-z} + z(1-z) \right)$$

$$P_{qG}(z) = \frac{1}{2} \left( z^2 + (1-z)^2 \right) \quad C_G = N_c = 3$$

# IR-Improved DGLAP Kernels

- The exponentiated forms are

$$P_{GG}(z) = 2C_G F_{YFS}(\gamma_G) e^{\delta_G/2} \left\{ z^{\gamma_G-1} (1-z) + z(1-z)^{\gamma_G-1} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{2} z^{\gamma_G+1} (1-z) + \frac{1}{2} z(1-z)^{\gamma_G+1} + f_G(\gamma_G) \delta(1-z) \right\}$$

$$P_{qG}(z) = 2C_G F_{YFS}(\gamma_G) e^{\delta_G/2} \left\{ z^{\gamma_G} (1-z)^2 + z^2 (1-z)^{\gamma_G} \right\}$$

with

$$\gamma_G = \frac{C_G \alpha_s}{\pi} t = \frac{4C_G}{\beta_0}, \quad \delta_G = \frac{\gamma_G}{2} + \frac{C_G \alpha_s}{\pi} \left( \frac{\pi^2}{3} - \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

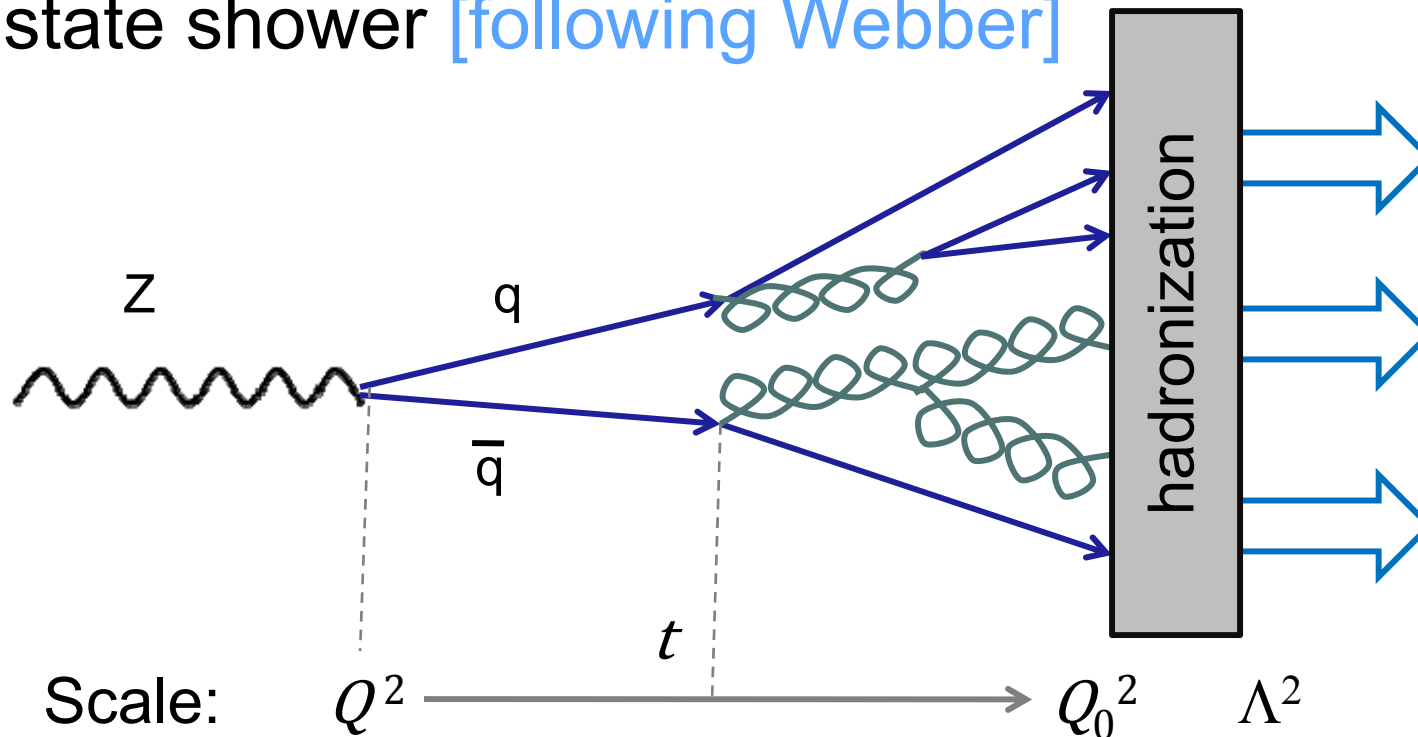
$$f_G(\gamma_G) = \frac{1}{(\gamma_G+1)(\gamma_G+2)} \left( \frac{n_f}{C_G} \frac{1}{(\gamma_G+3)} + \frac{2}{\gamma_q} + 1 \right) \\ + \frac{1}{(\gamma_G+3)(\gamma_G+4)} \left( \frac{1}{(\gamma_G+2)} + \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

# MC Implementation: HERWIRI 1

- **HERWIRI 1.0** implements the exponentiated Kernels in HERWIG6.5 without modifying the hard cross section. [Joseph, Majhi, Ward, Yost]
  - Download: <http://thep03.baylor.edu/software>
- Functions modified in HERWIG:  
HWBRAN, HWBSUD, HWBSU1  
HWBSU2, HWBSUG, HWIGIN
- We will take a quick look at the modified  $q\bar{q}$  branching in HWBRAN.

# MC Implementation

- The effect of the new kernels can be illustrated by looking at parton fragmentation in a final-state shower [\[following Webber\]](#)



# MC Implementation

- Consider a parton splitting  $a \rightarrow b + c$ .

The probability  $\Delta_a(t, Q_0^2)$  that the probability that parton  $a$  will not branch *below* virtuality  $t$  evolves according to the splitting function:

$$\frac{d\Delta_a(t, Q_0^2)}{dt} = -\frac{\Delta_a(t, Q_0^2)}{t} \sum_b \int_0^1 dz \frac{\alpha_s(t)}{2\pi} P_{ba}(z)$$

Solution:

$$\log \Delta_a(t, Q_0^2) = -\int_{Q_0^2}^t \frac{d\tau}{\tau} \sum_b \int_0^1 dz \frac{\alpha_s(\tau)}{2\pi} P_{ba}(z)$$

# MC Implementation

- The probability of not branching at higher virtuality than  $t$  is can be determined from

$$\Delta_a(Q^2, t) \Delta_a(t, Q_0^2) = \Delta_a(Q^2, Q_0^2)$$

- The probability  $\Delta_a(Q^2, t)$  takes values in  $[0, 1]$ , so the virtuality  $t$  can be generated with the correct distribution by generating a uniform random variable  $R \in [0, 1]$  and solving  $R = \Delta_a(Q^2, t)$  for  $t \dots$



# MC IMPLEMENTATION

- Using  $\alpha_s(t) = \frac{2\pi}{\beta_0 \log(t/\Lambda)}$  and the standard  $P_{qG}$  gives

$$\Delta_a(Q^2, t) = \left( \frac{\log(t/\Lambda^2)}{\log(Q^2/\Lambda^2)} \right)^{\frac{2}{3\beta_0}}, \quad t = \Lambda^2 \left( \frac{Q^2}{\Lambda^2} \right)^{R^{3\beta_0/2}}$$

- Repeating this with IR-Improved kernels gives

$$\log \Delta_a(Q^2, t) = F(t) - F(Q^2)$$

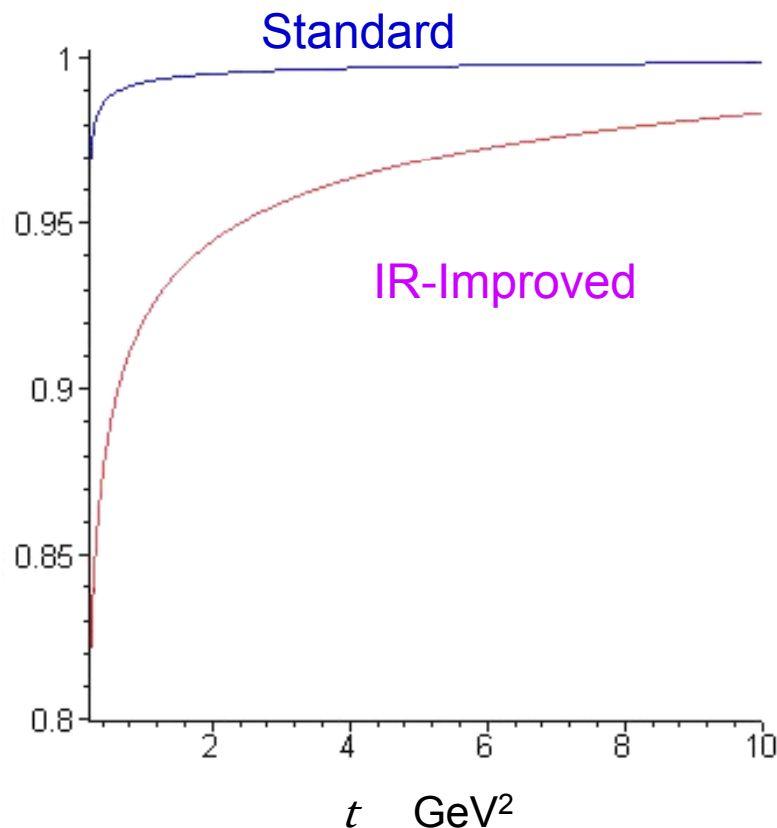
with

$$F(Q^2) = \frac{4F_{YFS}(\gamma_G) e^{\gamma_G/4}}{\beta_0(\gamma_G + 1)(\gamma_G + 2)(\gamma_G + 3)} \quad \text{Ei} \left( 1, \frac{8.369604402}{\beta_0 \log(Q^2/\Lambda^2)} \right)$$

$$\text{Ei}(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x \frac{e^t}{t} dt$$

# MC Implementation

- Comparison of  $\Delta_a(Q^2, t)$  at  $Q^2 = (25 \text{ GeV})^2$ :

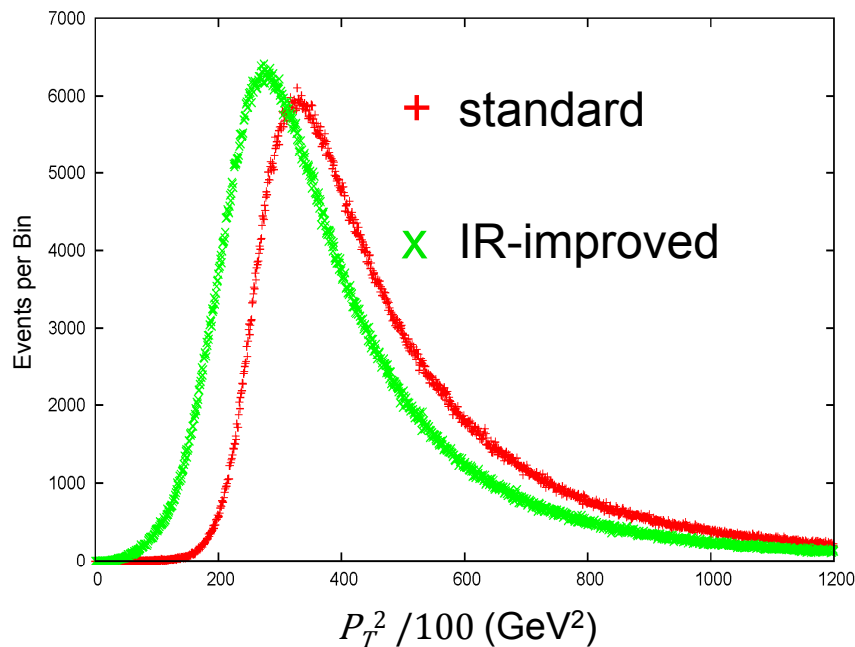


The two expressions agree to within a few percent over most of the range.

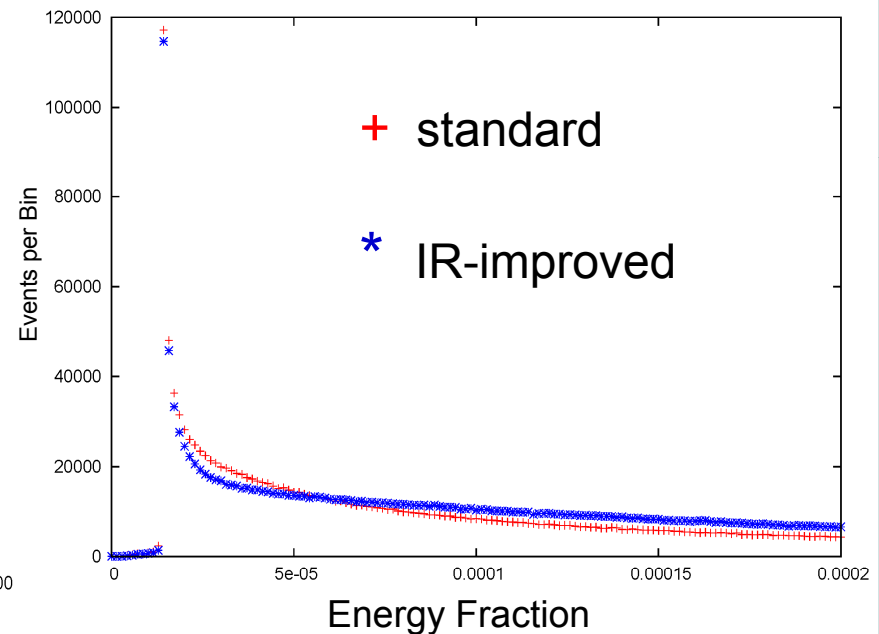
Experiment will decide which is better, when adequate precision is reached.

# Effect on $2 \rightarrow 2$ Parton Scattering

Parton Transverse Momentum Distribution



Parton Energy Fraction Distribution



Generic  $2 \rightarrow 2$  Parton Process at 14 TeV CMS Energy

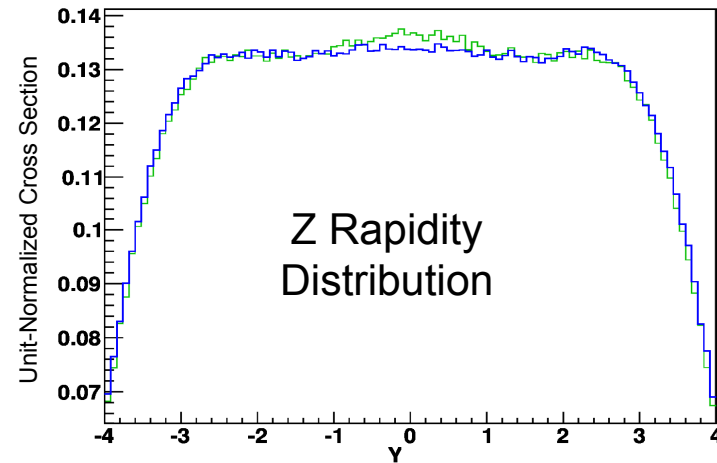
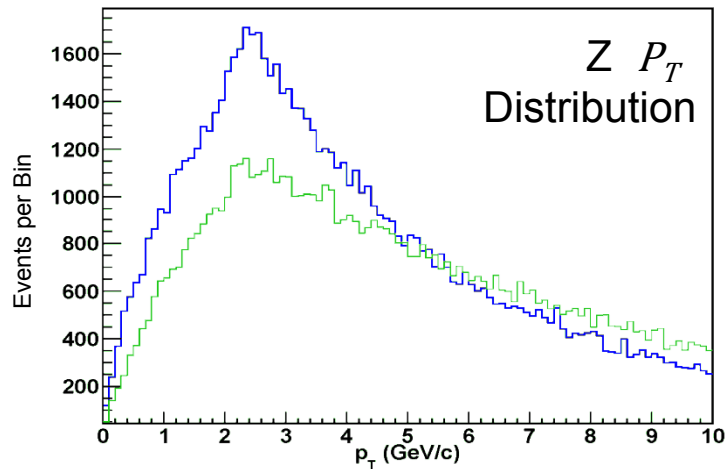
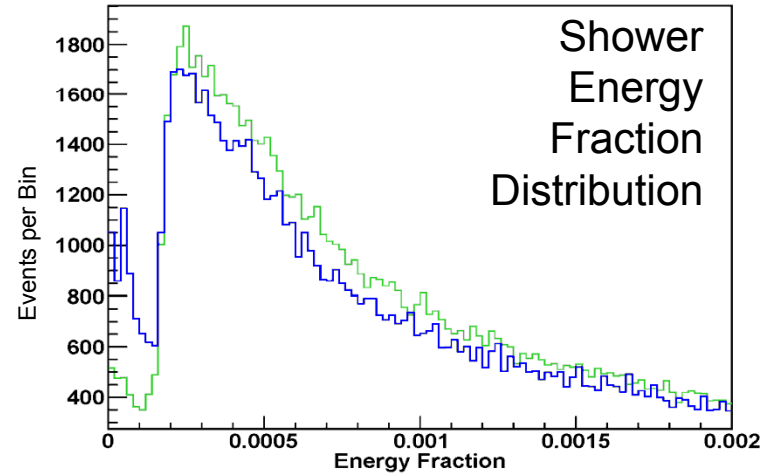
# Effects in Z Production

Standard

IR-Improved



Cuts:  $M_{\mu\mu} > 40 \text{ GeV}$   
 $P_{T\mu} > 5 \text{ GeV}$   
 $|\eta_{\mu}| < 50$

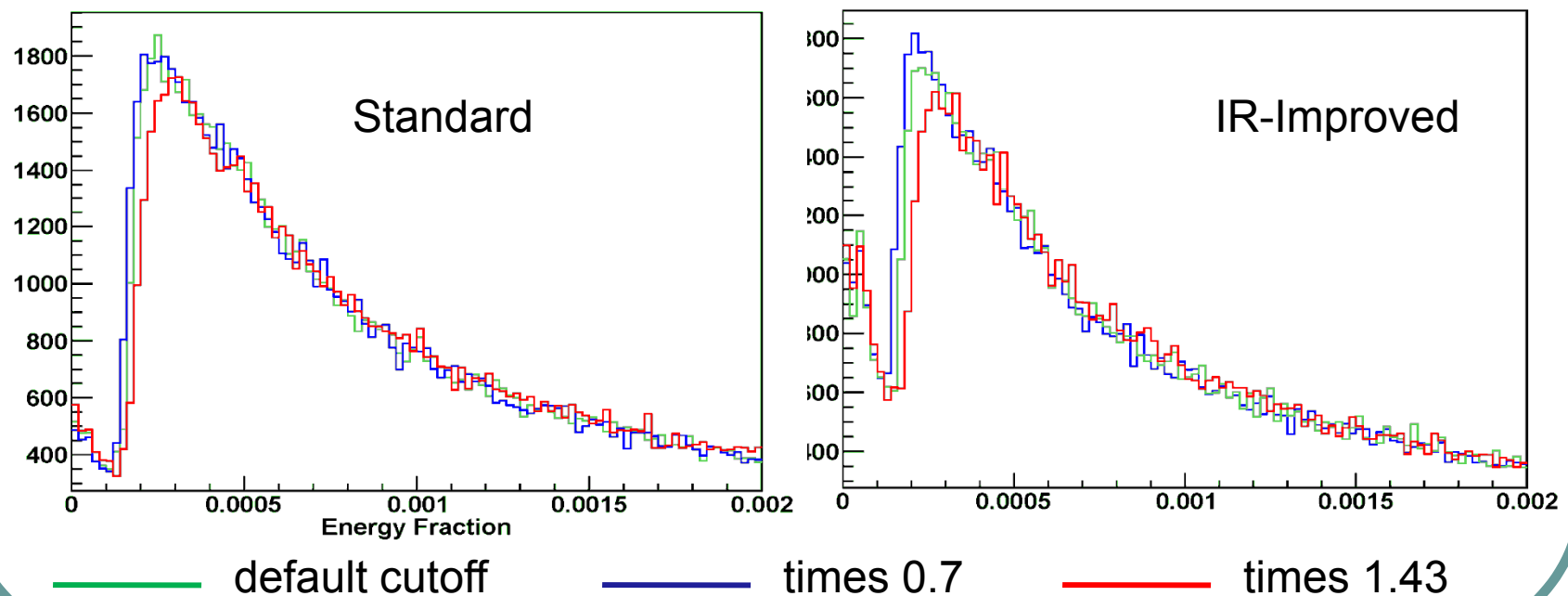


# IR Cut-off Dependence

- HERWIG requires an IR cut-off to separate soft and virtual effects, and as required by the  $+$  functions in the DGLAP kernels.
- HERWIRI allows these parameters to be chosen arbitrarily close to zero in the kernels.
- We checked the cut-off dependence by multiplying the default values of quark and gluon virtual mass cutoffs  $V_{QCUT}$  ( $= 0.48$ ),  $V_{GCUT}$  ( $= 0.1$ ) by 0.7 and 1.43.

# IR Cut-off Dependence

- We show the cutoff dependence of the parton energy fraction distribution for Z production for the standard and modified kernels.



# Conclusions

- I have described two early stages in the construction of a fully exclusive MC program for vector boson production based on simultaneous QCD  $\otimes$  QED exponentiation.
  - **HERWIRI 1.0**: HERWIG Shower + IR-improved DGLAP kernels (available now)
  - **HERWIRI 2.0**: HERWIG Shower + YFS-exponentiated QED / EWK corrections (soon)
- Beyond this, mixed QCD/EWK corrections will need to be incorporated. In the next stages, we anticipate continuing to build on existing successful structures, incorporating MC@NLO and KKMC structures into the QCD  $\otimes$  QED framework.