

MG5aMC tutorial

NLO / Loop induced / MLM

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MadGraph5

- Cross-section @LO
- event generation @LO
 - including loop-induced
- Interface to
 - Pythia6/8
 - Delphes
 - MadSpin
- Any BSM model supported

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aMC@NLO

- Cross-section @NLO
- event generation @NLO+PS
- Interface to
 - PY6/PY8/HW6/HW++
HW7
 - MadSpin
- BSM in quick expansion
 - Framework ready

- <https://launchpad.net/madgraph5>
 - untar it (`tar -xzpvf MG5_XXX.tgz`)
 - launch it (`$./bin/mg5_amc`)
- **learn** it!
 - ➔ Type **tutorial** and follow instructions
- install external package
 - ➔ install pythia8
 - ➔ install MadAnalysis
- put MC4BSM UFO model from indico in the models directory

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Project information

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- Ask me
- Use the command “help” / “help XXX”
 - ➔ “help” tell you the next command that you need to do.
- Launchpad:
 - ➔ <https://answers.launchpad.net/madgraph5>
 - ➔ FAQ: <https://answers.launchpad.net/madgraph5/+faq>

- How do you change
 - ➔ top mass
 - ➔ top width
 - ➔ W mass
 - ➔ beam energy
 - ➔ pt cut on the lepton

Goal ● What's the default choice for QED/QCD order

Learn ● What's the difference between

→ $p p > t t^{\sim}$

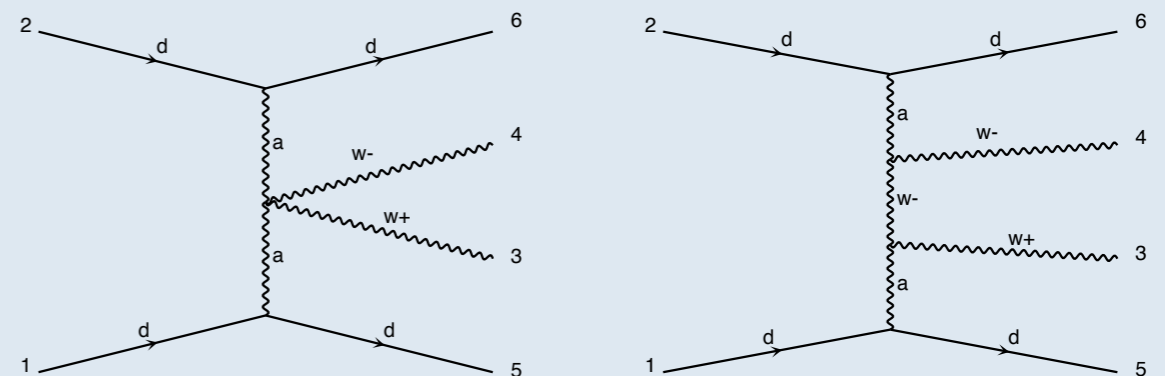
→ $p p > t t^{\sim} \text{ QED}=0$

→ $p p > t t^{\sim} \text{ QED} \leq 2$

- Compute the cross-section for each of those and check the diagram

Check

- Generate VBF process (two jet + two W in final state) **only the diagram!**
- check that you have the QED diagram that you want:



- What's the meaning of the order QED/QCD
 - ➔ By default MG5 takes the lowest order in QED!

INFO: Trying coupling order WEIGHTED<=2: WEIGHTED IS 2*QED+QCD

- ➔ $p p \rightarrow t t^{\sim}$ IS the same as $p p \rightarrow t t^{\sim}$ QED=0
- ➔ $p p \rightarrow t t^{\sim}$ QED=2 has additional diagrams (photon/z exchange)

$p p \rightarrow t t^{\sim}$

Cross section (pb)

555 ± 0.84

$p p \rightarrow t t^{\sim}$ QED=2

Cross section (pb)

555.8 ± 0.91

No significant QED contribution

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- generate $pp \rightarrow w^+ w^- jj$ QED = 4
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 - 5332 diagrams
 - VBF present! + those not VBF

- generate $pp \rightarrow w^+ w^- jj$ QCD = 0
 - 60 processes
 - 3900 diagrams
 - VBF present!

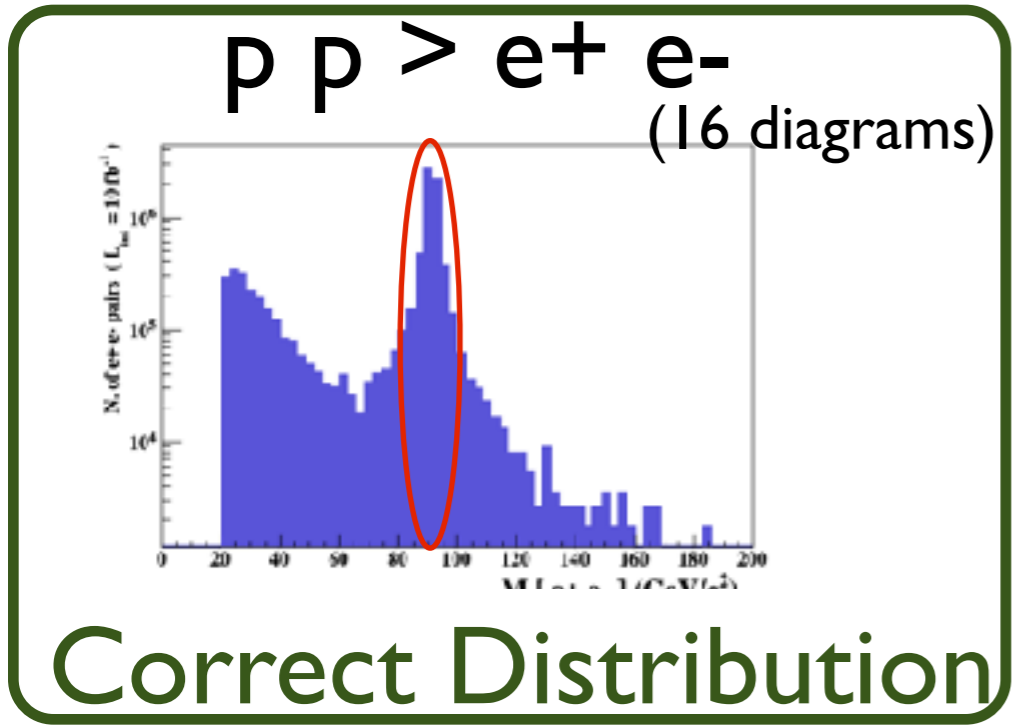
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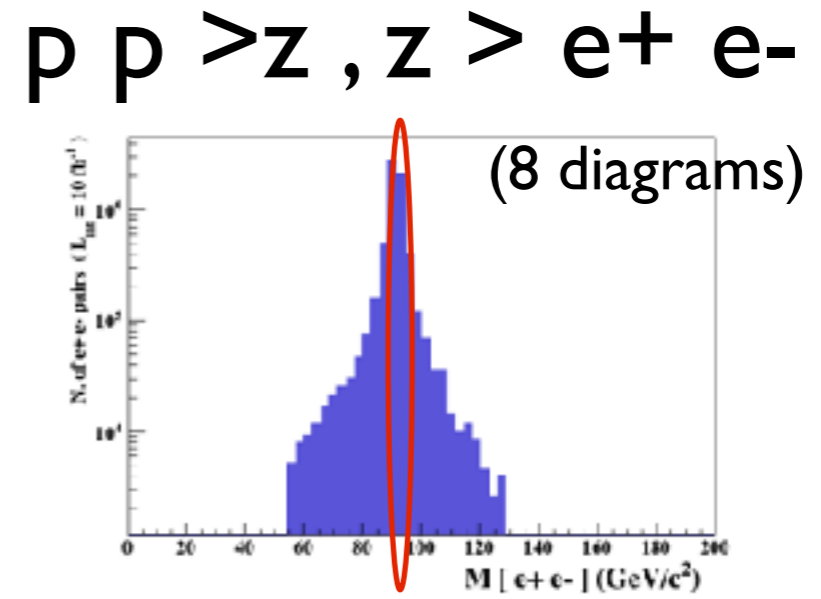
- Generate the cross-section and the distribution (invariant mass) for
 - $pp > e^+ e^-$
 - $pp > z, z > e^+ e^-$
 - $pp > z > e^+ e^-$
 - $pp > e^+ e^- \$ z$
 - $pp > e^+ e^- / z$

Hint : To plot automatically distributions:
`mg5> install MadAnalysis`

- Use the invariant mass distribution to determine the meaning of each syntax.

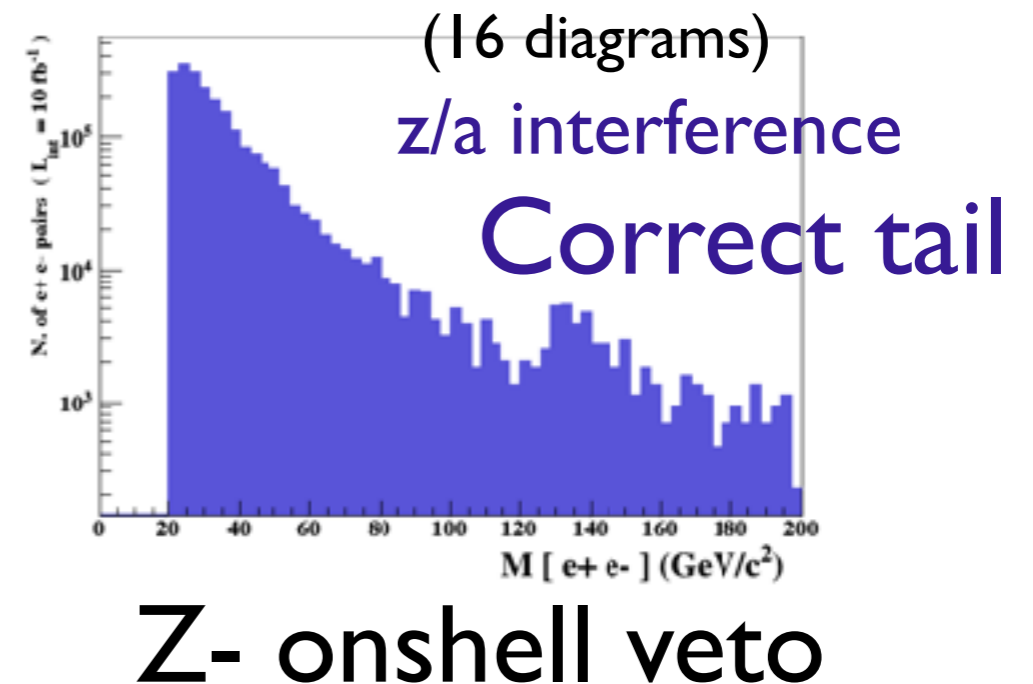
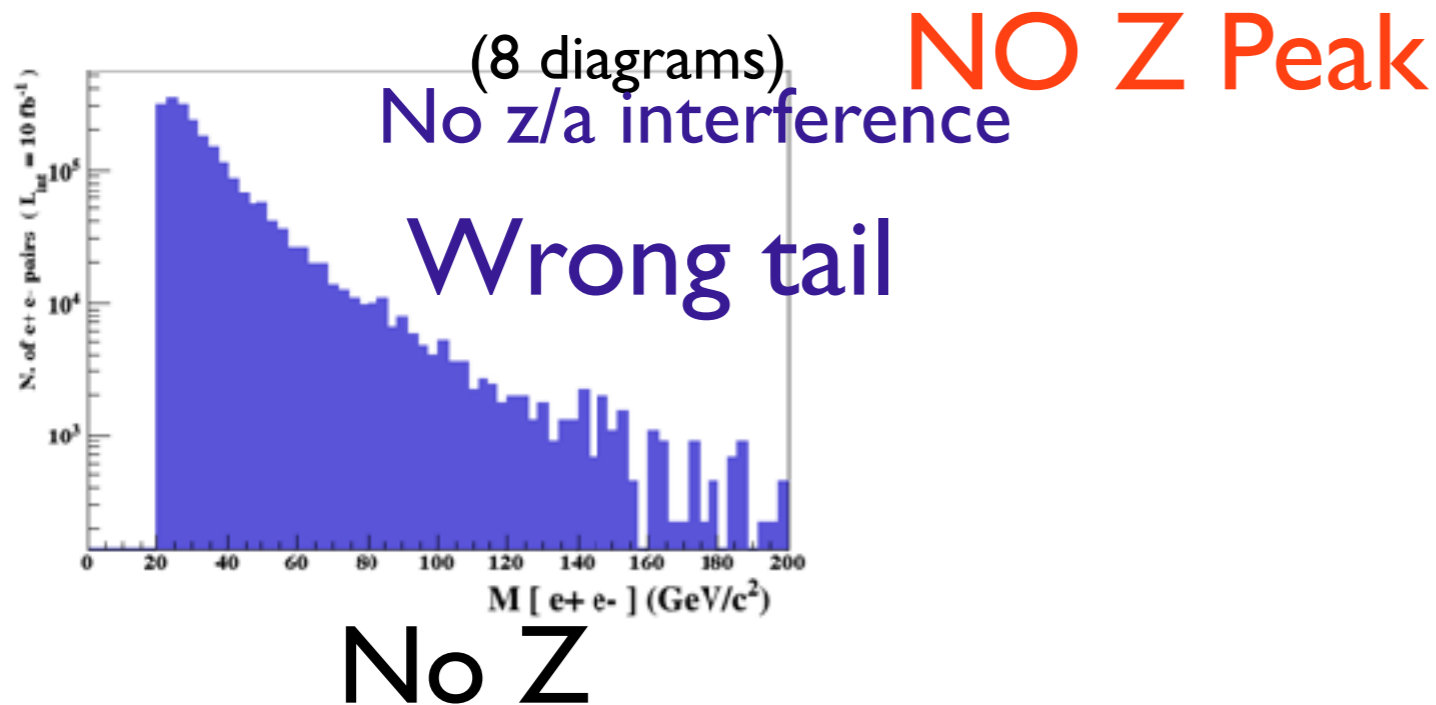


Z Peak



$pp \rightarrow e^+ e^- / z$

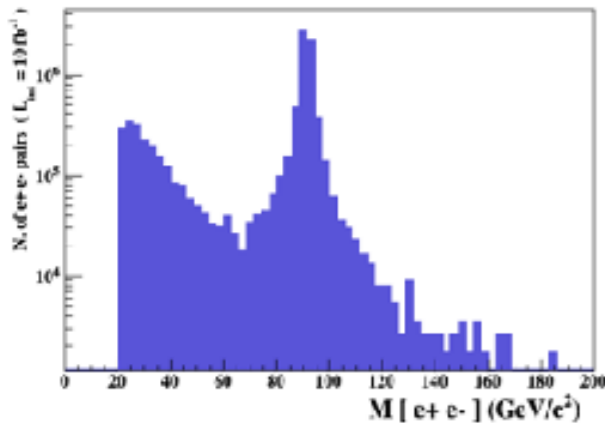
$pp \rightarrow e^+ e^- \cancel{z}$



$p p \rightarrow e^+ e^-$

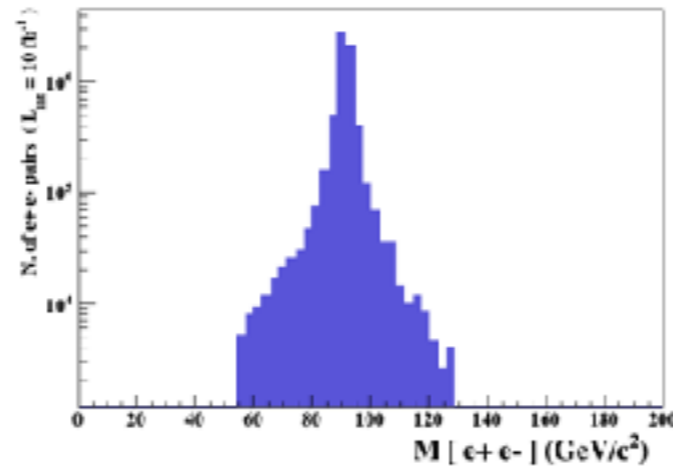
$p p \rightarrow Z, Z \rightarrow e^+ e^-$

$p p \rightarrow e^+ e^- \text{ \$ } Z$



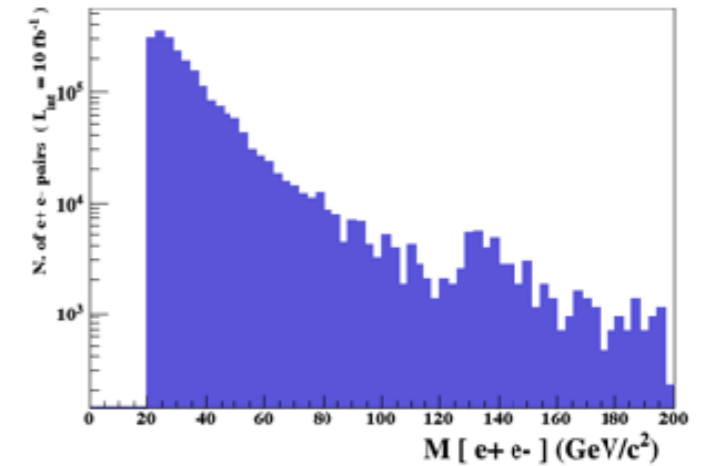
(16 diagrams)

=



(8 diagrams)

+



(16 diagrams)

Onshell cut: BW_cut

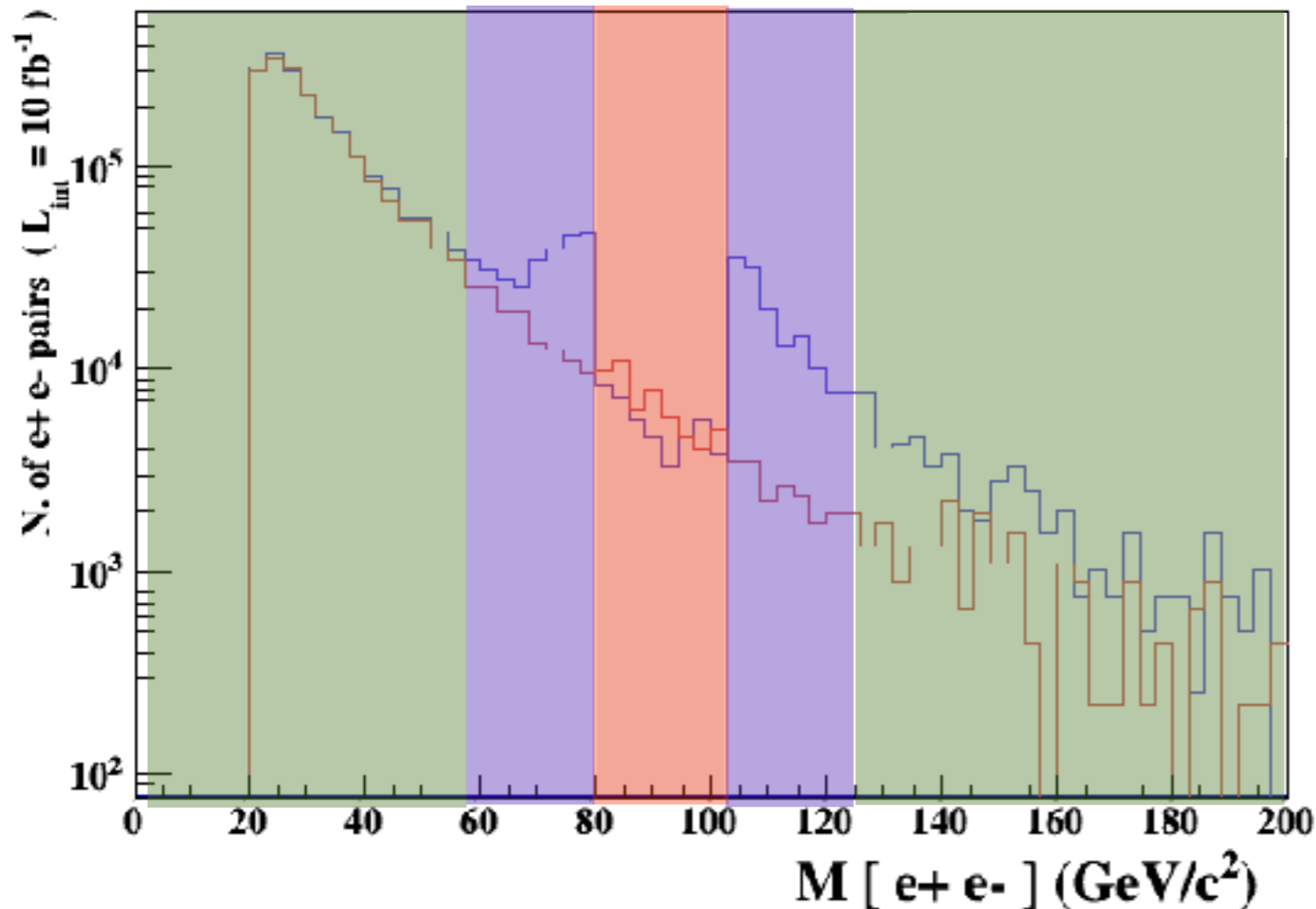
$$|M^* - M| < BW_{cut} * \Gamma$$

- The Physical distribution is (very close to) exact sum of the two other one.
- The “\$” forbids the Z to be onshell but the photon invariant mass can be at MZ (i.e. on shell subtraction).
- The “/” is to be avoid if possible since this leads to violation of gauge invariance.

- NEXT SLIDE is generated with `bw_cut = 5`
- This is **TOO SMALL** to have a physical meaning (15 the default value used in previous plot is better)
- This was done to **illustrate** more in detail how the “\$” syntax works.

$p p > e^+ e^- / Z$
(red curve)

adding $p p > e^+ e^- \$ Z$
(blue curve)



- Z onshell veto
- In veto area only photon contribution
- area sensitive to z-peak
- very off-shell Z, the difference between the curve is due to interference which are need to be **KEPT** in simulation.

5 times width area

15 times width area

>15 times width area

The “\$” can be use to split the sample in BG/SG area

- Syntax Like

- $p p \rightarrow z \rightarrow e^+ e^-$

(ask one S-channel z)

- $p p \rightarrow e^+ e^- / z$

(forbids any z)

- $p p \rightarrow e^+ e^- \text{ $$ } z$

(forbids any z in s-channel)

- ARE NOT GAUGE INVARIANT !
- forgets diagram interference.
- can provides un-physical distributions.

Avoid Those as much as possible!

check physical meaning and gauge/Lorentz invariance if you do.

- Syntax like
 - $p p \rightarrow z, z \rightarrow e^+ e^-$ (on-shell z decaying)
 - $p p \rightarrow e^+ e^- \cancel{z}$ (forbids s-channel z to be on-shell)
- Are linked to cut $|M^* - M| < BW_{cut} * \Gamma$
- Are more safer to use
- **Prefer** those syntax to the previous slides one

Goal ● Handling model

Import ● `type:` `import model MC4BSM`

- Automatic switch to 4/5 flavor computation according to the mass of the b quark
- MGaMC renames sm/susy particles such that their names are identical for any model. This can be avoided by `import model MC4BSM --modelname`

Check ● `type:` `define bsm = uv uv~ ev ev~ p1 p2`
`check p p > bsm bsm`

- checks internal validity of the BSM part and consistency of the model (lorentz/gauge)

Goal • understanding decay-chain handling

Exercise

- Compare the cross-section for

```
define evdec = bsm / ev ev~
generate p p > ev ev~
output; launch
```

```
generate p p > ev ev~, ev > evdec all
output; launch
```

This is called the
decay chain syntax

```
generate p p > ev > evdec all ev~
output; launch
```

- Use Automatic width computation (for all 3 cases)

```
set width wev Auto
```

To enter at the time of the edition of the cards

- Change the “cut_decays” parameter

```
set cut_decays T
```

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define bsm = bsm / ev ev~
generate p p > ev ev~
output; launch
```

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generate p p > ev ev~, ev > bsm all
output; launch
```

```
generate p p > ev > bsm all ev~
output; launch
```

| Default | Correct width | +cut_decays=T |
|---------|---------------|---------------|
| 19.7 pb | 19.6 pb | 19.7 pb |
| 0.1 pb | 19.3 pb | 11.8 pb |
| 0.07 pb | 11.9 pb | 11.9 pb |

Remember

- We do not use the BR information. The cross-section depends of the total width
- particle from on shell decay do not have cut by default

Goal • present the various way to compute the width

• Check with MG the width computed with FR:

- ➔ generate uv > all all; output; launch
- ➔ generate ev > all all; output; launch
- ➔ generate p1 > all all; output; launch
- ➔ generate p2 > all all; output; launch

FR Number

0.0706 GeV

0.00497 GeV

0 GeV

0.0224 GeV

• Compare with `compute_widths bsm`

• Why the width of uv is zero here? Function called when width on Auto

• $M_{uv} = 400 \text{ GeV}$ $M_{ev} = 50 \text{ GeV}$ $\lambda = 0.1$

• $m_1 = 1 \text{ GeV}$ $m_2 = 100 \text{ GeV}$ $m_{12} = 0.5 \text{ GeV}$

Goal ● script and scan

Parameter scan:

- compute the cross-section for a couple of mass

```
generate p p > ev ev~
```

- for that you can enter for the ev mass:

```
set mev scan:[100,200, 300]
```

```
set mev scan:[100*i for i in range(1,4)]
```

Any python syntax is valid!!

scripting/ other scan:

- write in a file (./MYFILE)
- run it as ./bin/mg5_aMC ./MYFILE

```
import model MC4BSM
generate p p > ev ev~
output TUTO
launch
set nevents 5000
set LHC 13
launch
set LHC 14
```

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Comment:

- ONLY for param_card entry!! Use scripting for other type of parameters (run_card,...)
- synchronized scan can be done via

```
set mev scan1:[100,200, 300]  
set muv scan1:[200,300,400]
```

Three value will be computed!!

scripting/ other scan:

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launch
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launch
  set LHC 14
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Comment on scripting

- Do not use ./bin/mg5_aMC < ./MYFILE
- If an answer to a question is not present: **Default is taken** automatically
- **EVERYTHING** that you type can be put in the entry file

Goal • Learn MadSpin for Onshell Decay

What is MadSpin

arXiv:1212.3460

- Program to decay on-shell particles
 - Use the NWA and the Branching-ratio
 - keep full spin-correlation
 - keep off-shell effect (up to cut-off)
 - keep unweighted event

Exercise

- generate all decay from e^+e^- pair production via MadSpin (and compare with decay-chain syntax)

Goal • Learn MadSpin for Onshell Decay

How to

The following switches determine which programs are run:

```
/-----\
| 1. Choose the shower/hadronization program:          shower = OFF  |
| 2. Choose the detector simulation program:          detector = OFF  |
| 3. Run an analysis package on the events generated:  analysis = MADANALYSIS_5 |
| 4. Decay particles with the MadSpin module:         madspin = OFF  |
| 5. Add weights to events for different model hypothesis: reweight = OFF  |
\-----/
```

When you see
this text, type
madspin=ON

- Then edit the madspin_card and include

```
decay ev > all all
```

- You are done

Note

- Also valid for NLO processes
- sometimes faster/slower than decay-chain

Goal ● Learn loop-induced syntax

Ex. ● Compare Large stop limit and full loop

```
import model heft
generate g g > h
output; launch
```

```
import model sm
generate g g > h [QCD]
output; launch
```

```
import model sm-no_b_mass
generate g g > h [QCD]
output; launch
```

Note

- Interface fully identical to LO one
- No decay-chain/MadSpin allowed

Goal • Learn NLO syntax

Ex. • Run the pair-production at NLO

```
import model MC4BSM
generate p p > ev ev~ [QCD]
output; launch
```

Note

- Interface close but different to LO one
 - different options
 - different cuts
- No decay-chain but MadSpin allowed
- Need dedicated model (not all model valid@NLO)

The following switches determine which operations are executed:

```

1 Perturbative order of the calculation:                order=NLO
2 Fixed order (no event generation and no MC@[N]LO matching):  fixed_order=OFF
3 Shower the generated events:                          shower=ON
4 Decay particles with the MadSpin module:              madspin=OFF
5 Add weights to the events based on changing model parameters:  reweight=OFF
Either type the switch number (1 to 5) to change its default setting,
or set any switch explicitly (e.g. type 'order=L0' at the prompt)
Type '0', 'auto', 'done' or just press enter when you are done.
[0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, auto, done, order=L0, ... ][60s to answer]

```

order=L0 / order=NLO

- Use this switch to compute K-factor with the exact same settings

fixed_order=ON / fixed_order=OFF

- if ON, we perform a pure NLO computation of the cross-section — no event generation—
- if OFF, we run NLO+PS, with the MC counter-term for a given parton shower —with event generation

- I. Generate $p p > w^+$ with 0 jets, 0,1 jets and 0,1,2 jets
(Each on different computers - use the most powerful computer for 0,1,2 jets)
 - a. Generate 20,000 events for a couple of different x_{qcut} values.
 - b. Compare the distributions (before and after Pythia) and cross sections (before and after Pythia) between the different processes, and between the different x_{qcut} values.
 - c. Summarize: How many jets do we need to simulate? What is a good x_{qcut} value? How are the distributions affected?

- generate the diagram with
 - ➔ generate
 - ➔ add process
- output
- launch
 - ➔ ask to run pythia
 - ➔ In run_card: put icckw=1
 - ◆ set the value for xqcut
 - ➔ In pythia_card set a value for qcut

- Qcut is the matching scale (the separation between the shower and the matrix element)
- xqcut should be strictly lower (by at least 10-15GeV) than qcut

Solution MLM

| | w+0j | w+1j | w+2j | w+3j |
|-------------|----------|----------|---------|---------|
| no matching | 8,35E+04 | 1,58E+04 | 8,7E+03 | 3,5E+03 |

| | 1GeV | 10GeV | 20GeV | 50GeV | 100GeV | 500GeV |
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| w+0 | 8,35E+04 | 8,35E+04 | 8,35E+04 | 8,35E+04 | 8,35E+04 | 8,35E+04 |
| 0+1 | 1,07E+05 | 9,09E+04 | 8,91E+04 | 8,61E+04 | 8,40E+04 | 8.35+04 |
| 0+1+2 | 1,12E+05 | 9,29E+04 | 9,03E+04 | 8,66E+04 | 8,44E+04 | 8,35E+04 |
| 0+1+2+3 | 1,20E+05 | 9,47E+04 | 9,07E+04 | 8,68E+04 | 8,40E+04 | 8,35E+04 |

Slow

Fast

low efficiency

High efficiency

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- No effect of the matching for 0 jet sample.

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- matching scale too high only the 0 jet sample contributes => all radiations are from pythia

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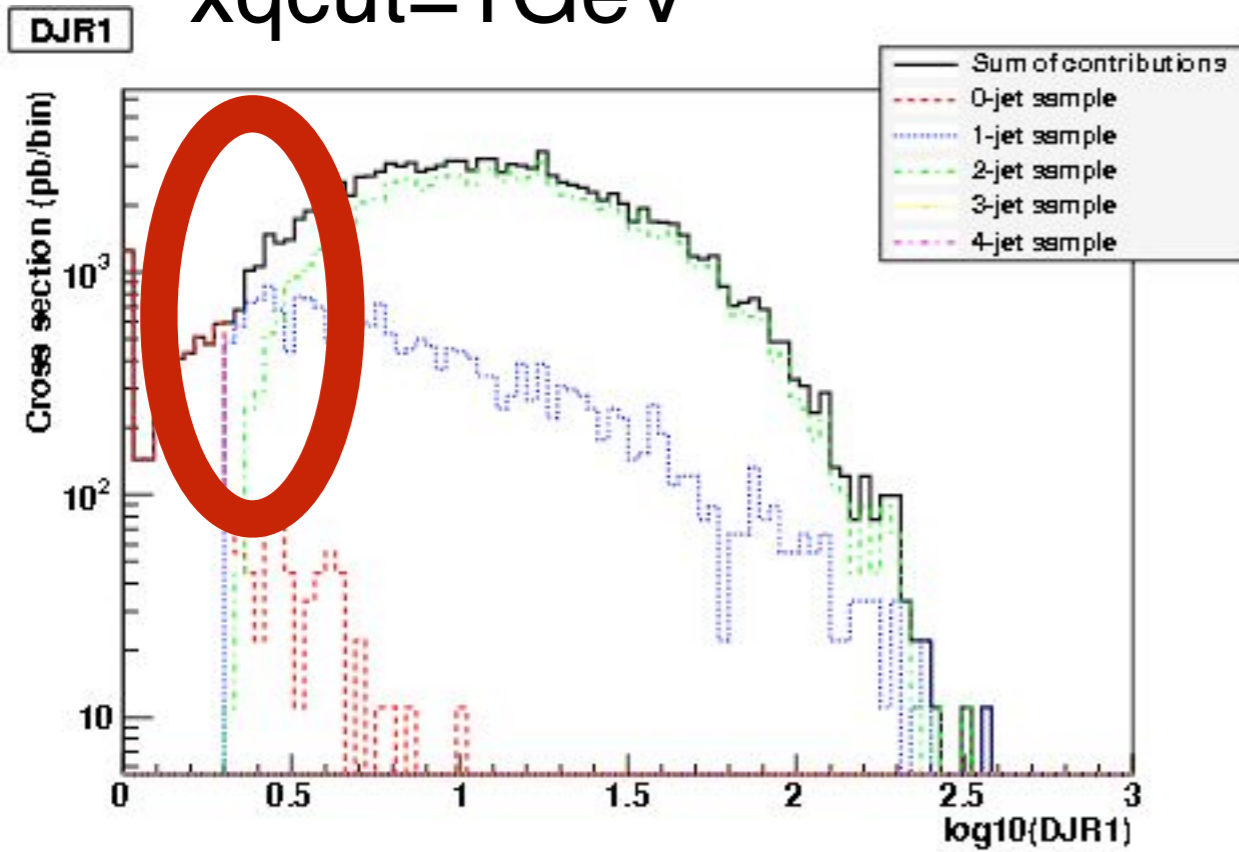
- matching scale too low. Only highest multiplicity sample contributes and low efficiency

| | w+0j | w+1j | w+2j | w+3j |
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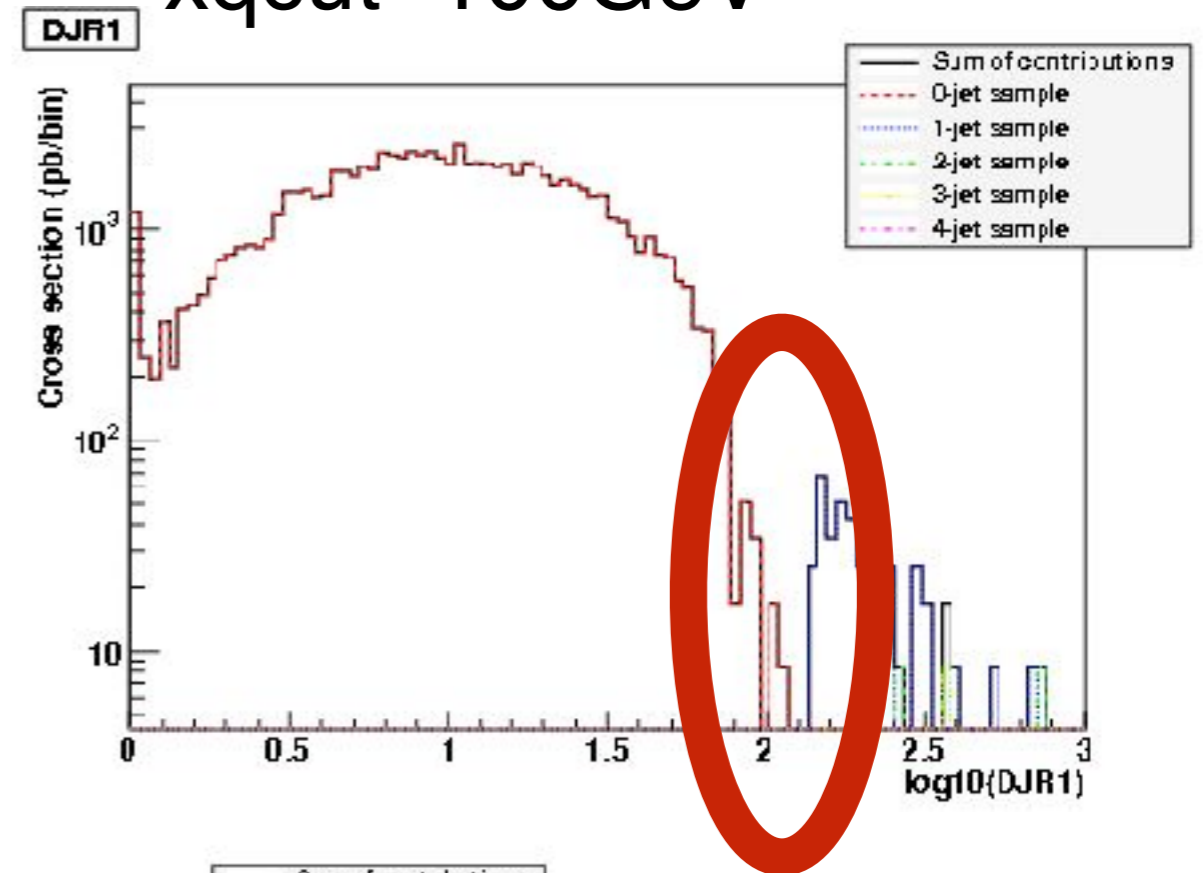
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- Wrong differential rate plot. so to discard.

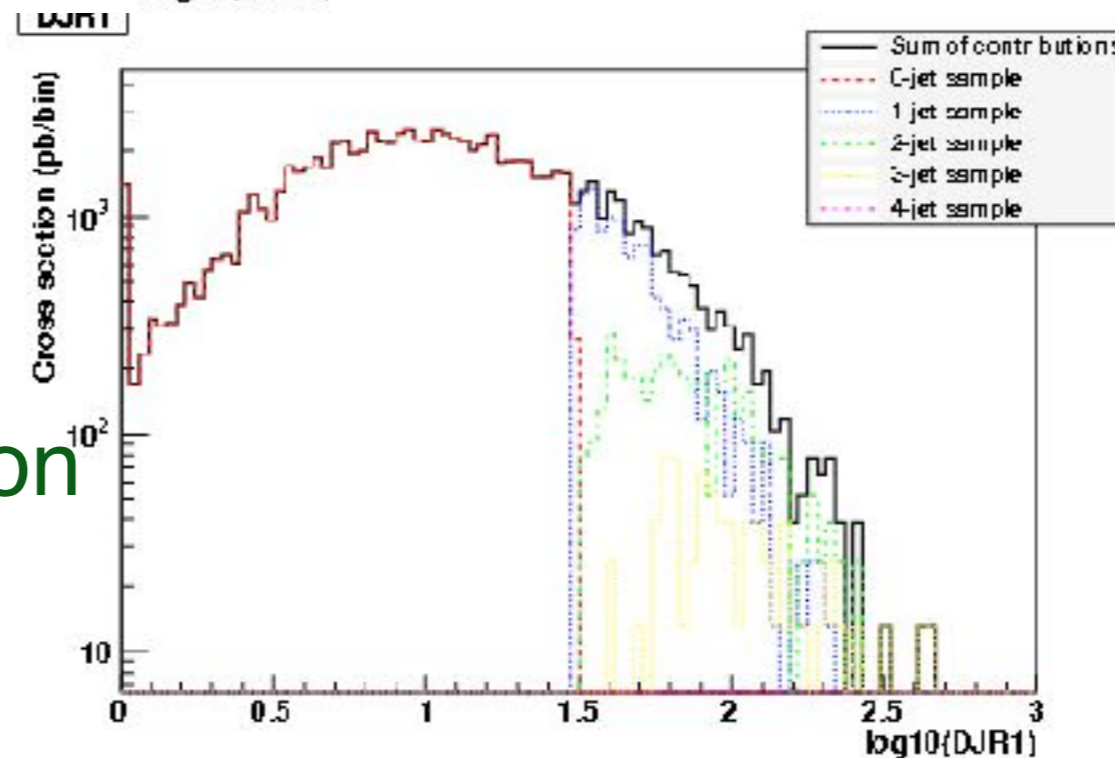
xqcut=1 GeV



xqcut=100 GeV



xqcut=20 GeV
 smooth transition



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- Relatively stable cross-section! Important check.
- Close to the unmatched 0j cross-section