

# New Developments in MadGraph/MadEvent

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# MadGraph/MadEvent

[Long, Stelzer, 1994; Maltoni, Stelzer, 2003]

- Event generation for any process – online or locally:
  - User requests a process (ex.  $pp > tt \sim jjj$ ) and the corresponding code is generated on the fly.
  - User inputs model/collider-parameters/cuts, and code runs in parallel on modest farms.
  - Returns cross section, parton-level events, plots.
- Advantages:
  - Reduces overhead to getting results
  - Events can easily be shared/stored
  - Quick response to user requests and to new ideas!
- Limitations:
  - Optimization on single procs limited by generality
  - Tree-level amplitudes based on Feynman diagrams

# MadGraph/MadEvent

[Long, Stelzer, 1994; Maltoni, Stelzer, 2003]

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[MadGraph](#) Version 4  
UCL UIUC Fermi  
by the [MG/ME Development team](#)

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## Generate Code On-Line

To improve our web services we now request that you register. Registration is quick and free. You may register for a password by clicking [here](#)

Code can be generated either by:

I. Fill the form:

Model:  [Model descriptions](#)

Input Process:  [Examples](#)

Max QCD Order:

Max QED Order:

p and j definitions:

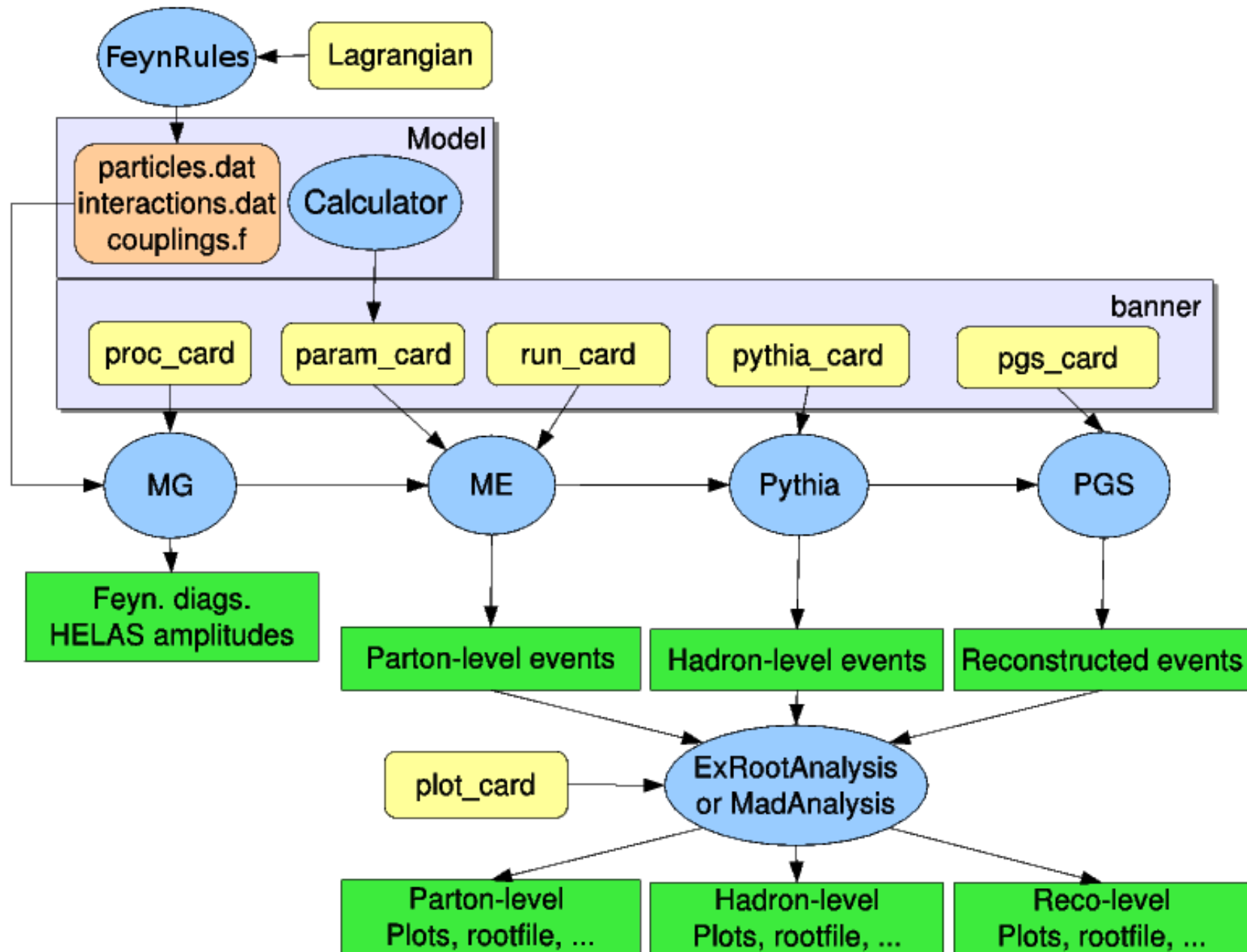
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# MadGraph/MadEvent 4

[JA et al., arXiv:0706.2334]

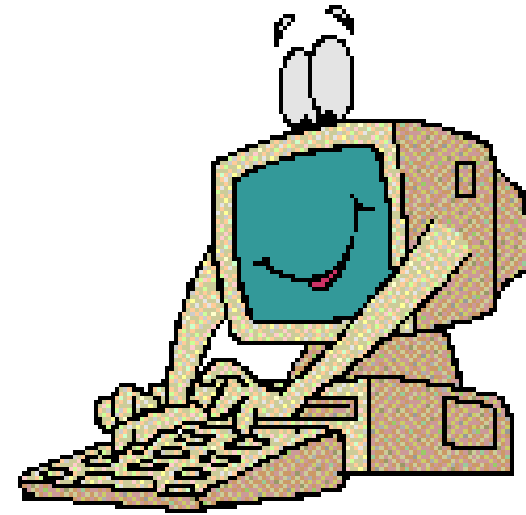
- Complete web simulation: MadEvent → Pythia → PGS
- Personal web databases
- Multiple processes in single code & generation
- Standalone MadGraph version for theorists
- New complete models: SM, HEFT, MSSM, 2HDM
- USRMOD: Easy New Model implementation
- Les Houches Accord (LHEF) for parton-level event files
- “SUSY Les Houches Accord” for model parameters
- Merging/matching w/ Pythia parton showers
- Analysis platforms: ExRootAnalysis and MadAnalysis

# MG/ME workflow






# How do I use MG/ME 4?

1. Open your browser
2. Google us and go to one of our sites
3. Create a process
4. Generate events



# Recent and ongoing developments

- Matching for SM&BSM processes [JA] ✓
- Staged web simulation :  
LHEF → Pythia → PGS [JA et al.] ✓
- Decay chain specifications [JA, Stelzer] ✓
- Decay width calculation  $A \rightarrow BC \dots$  [JA] ✓
- Grid Version [Mad Team] ✓
- LHC event repository [Mad Team] 
- FeynRules [Christensen, Duhr] ✓
- MadWeight [Artoisenet, Mattelaer] 
- Automatic dipole subtraction [Frederix, Greiner] 

# Jet matching/merging

## Matrix elements

- 1 Fixed order calculation
- 2 Computationally expensive
- 3 Limited number of particles
- 4 Valid when partons are hard and well separated
- 5 Quantum interference correct
- 6 Needed for multi-jet description

## Parton showers

- 1 Resums logs to all orders
- 2 Computationally cheap
- 3 No limit on particle multiplicity
- 4 Valid when partons are collinear and/or soft
- 5 Partial quantum interference through angular ordering
- 6 Needed for hadronization/detector simulation

Complementary approximations

Need to combine without double counting



# Matching schemes

## The simple idea behind matching

- Use **matrix element description** for well separated jets, and **parton showers** for collinear jets
  - Phase-space cutoff to separate regions
- ⇒ No double-counting between jet multiplicities

## Difficulties

- Get smooth transition between regions
- No/small dependence from precise cutoff
- No/small dependence from largest multiplicity sample

## How to accomplish this

- CKKW scheme (Catani, Krauss, Kuhn, Webber)
- Lönnblad scheme
- MLM scheme

# Matching in MG/ME+Pythia

[JA; JA, F. Maltoni, S. de Visscher; cf. Mrenna & Richardson 2004]

- $k_T$  and cone jet MLM schemes
- New “shower  $k_T$ ” scheme
- Both  $Q^2$  and  $p_T$ -ordered Pythia showers
- Extensively validated in  $V$ +jets [[arXiv:0706.2569](#)],  $VV$ +jets,  $t$  pair+jets,  $H$ +jets and inclusive jets
- Matching in BSM processes (e.g. gluino/squark)

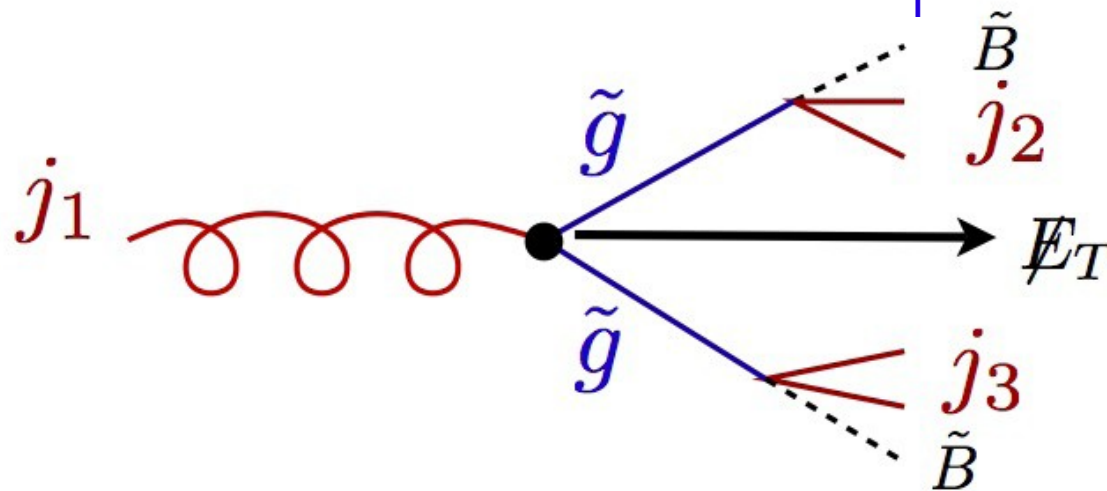
# Light gluinos + jets

[JA, Le, Lisanti, Wacker, arXiv:0803.0019]

See talk by J. Wacker in PS 2

Special difficulty when decay products are soft (nearly degenerate masses):

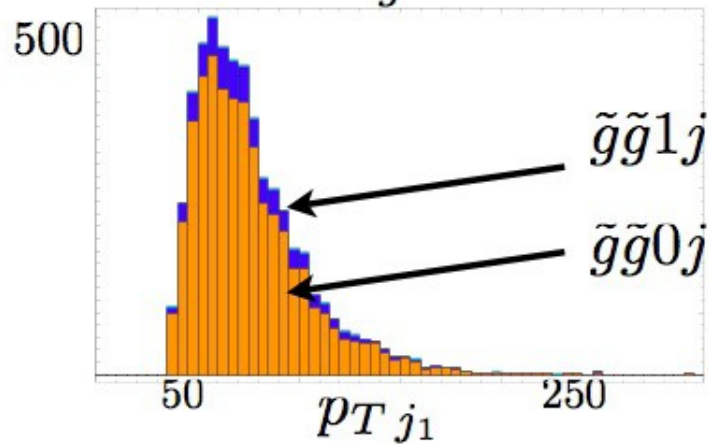
- No (small) missing transverse energy in decay
- Need recoil against jets to get  $\cancel{E}_T$  signature



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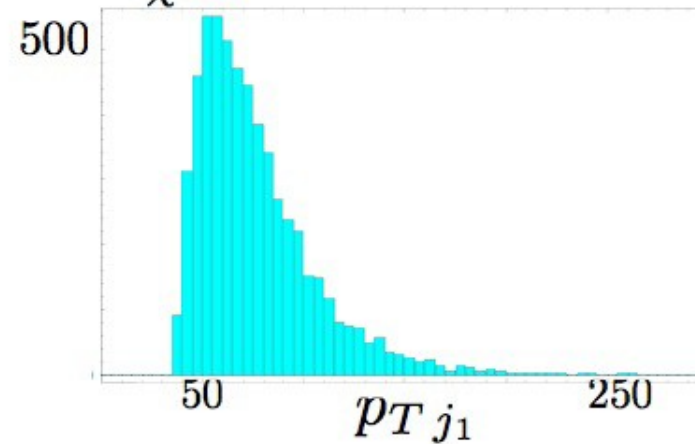
Matched

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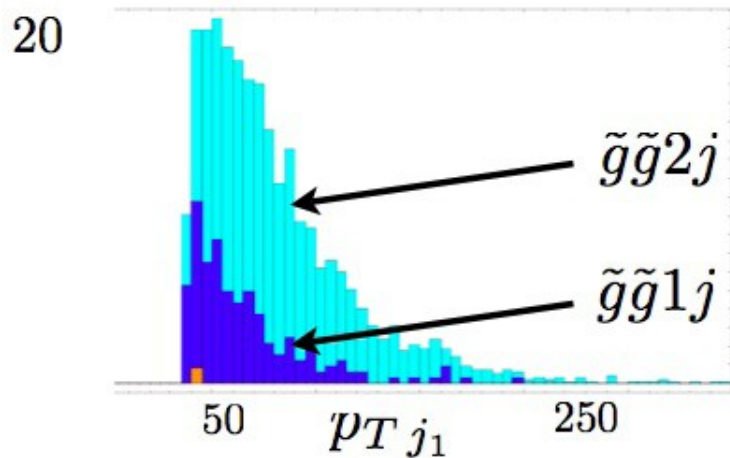


Unmatched

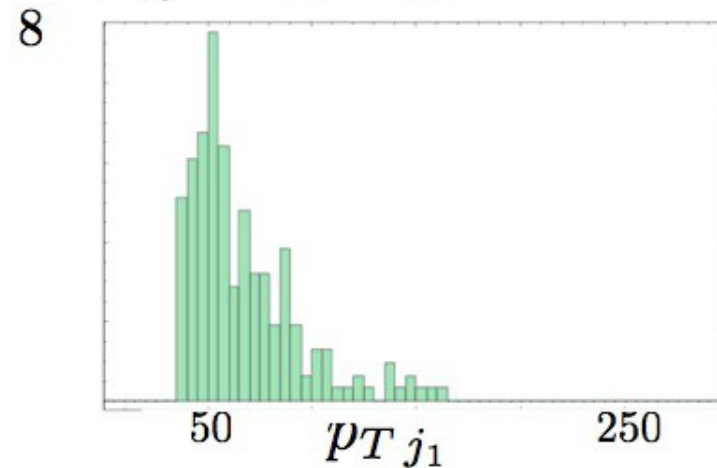
$$m_{\tilde{\chi}} = 40 \text{ GeV}$$



$$m_{\tilde{g}} = 150 \text{ GeV}$$



$$m_{\tilde{\chi}} = 130 \text{ GeV}$$



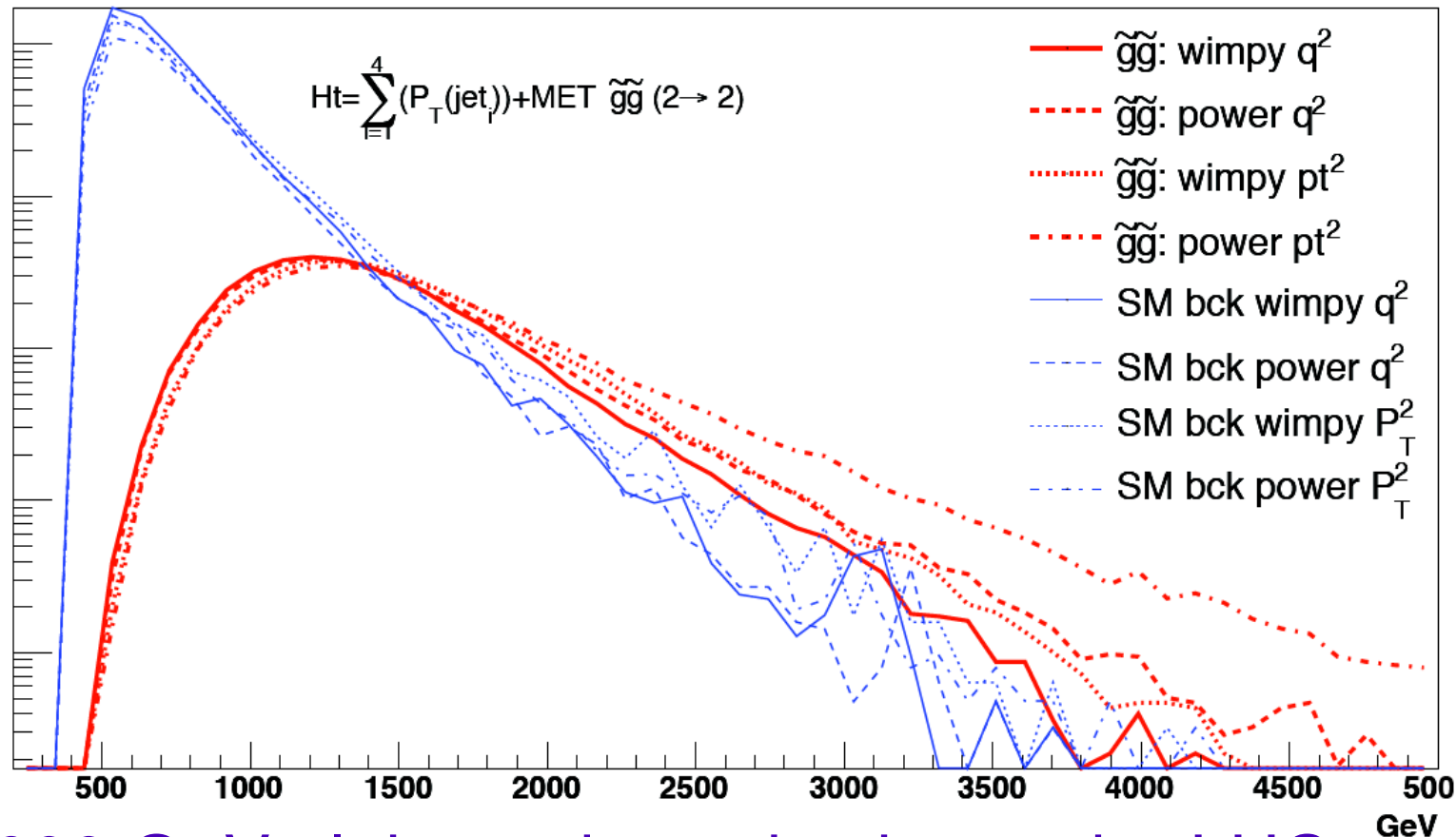
Tevatron, after 2-jet and missing  $E_T$  cuts

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## Impact after decay (4-jet $H_T$ ) - unmatched



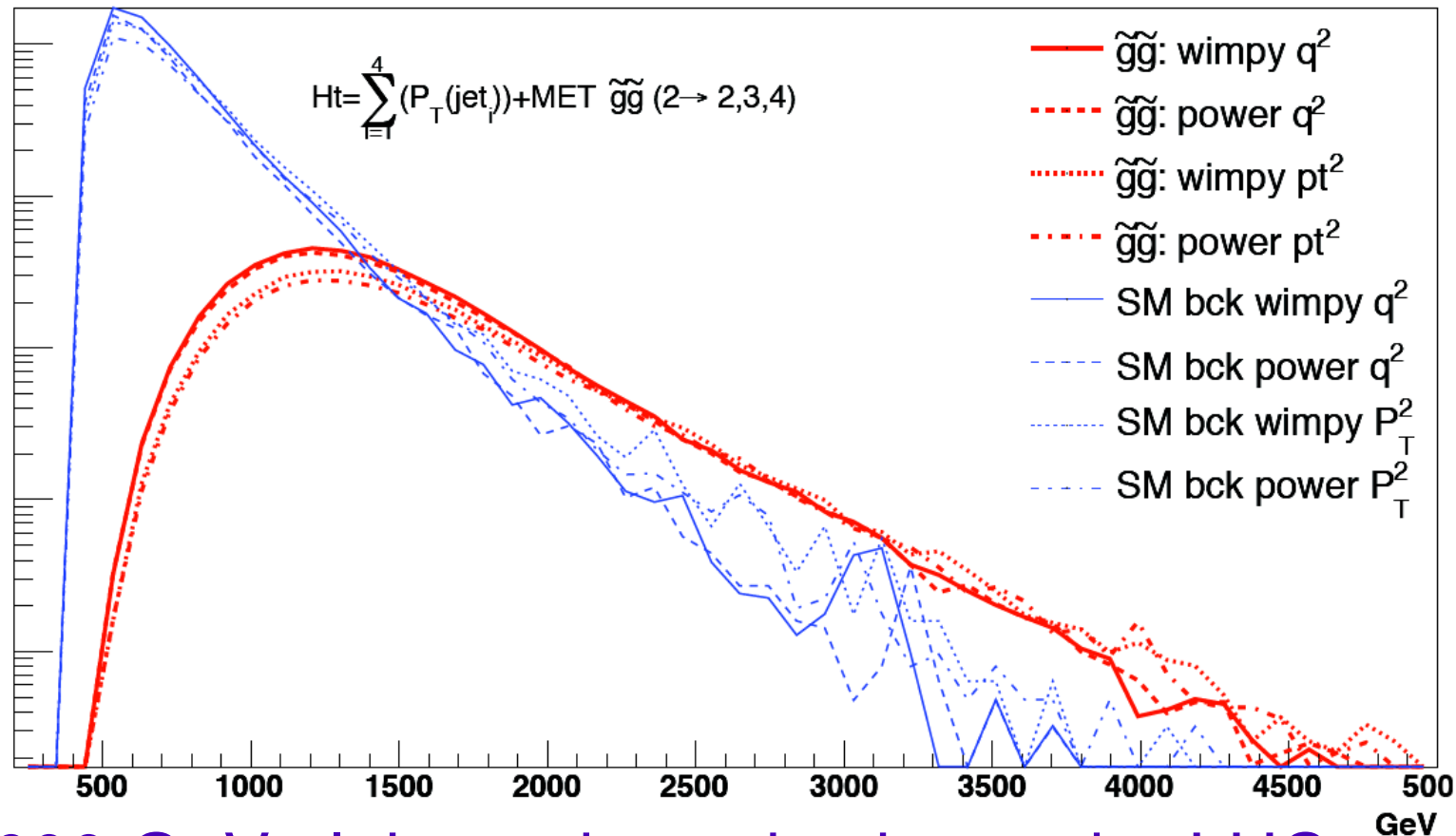
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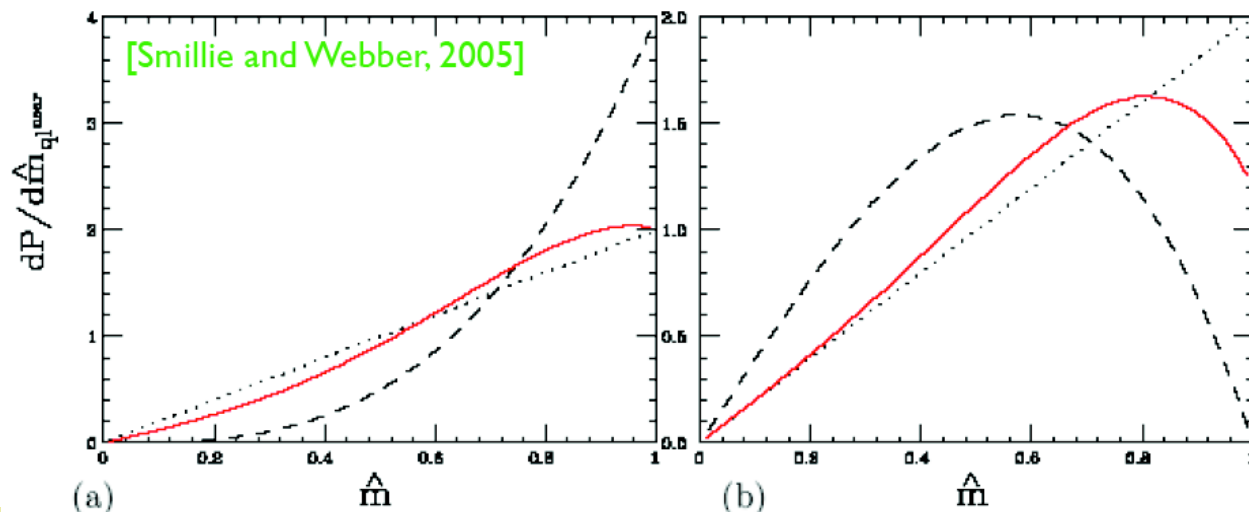
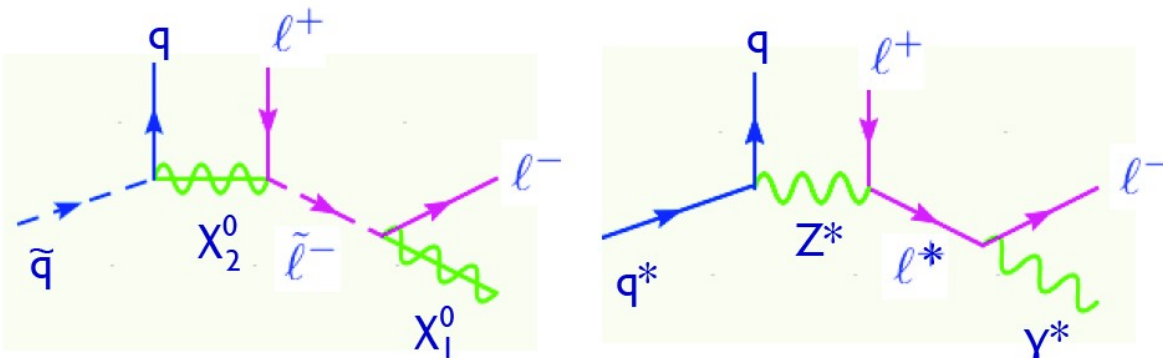
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# SUSY vs. UED – spin effects

Long decay chains give information on intermediate particle masses and spins through edge and endpoint positions and shapes

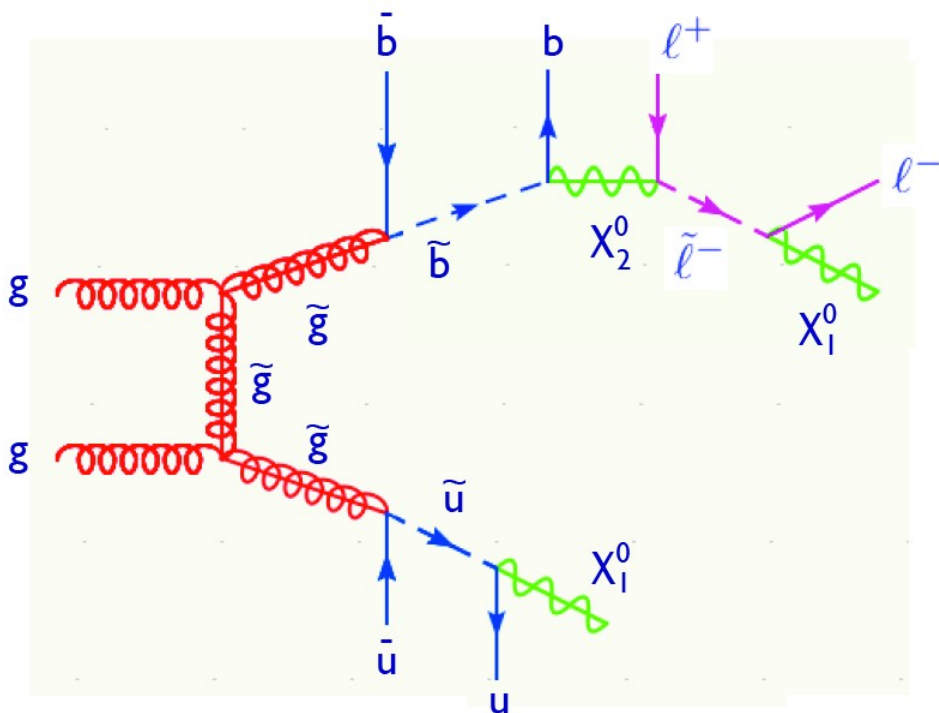


- Beware of common simplifications:
1. Production and decay factorized
  2. Spin ignored
  3. Chains only through 1 → 2 decays.
  4. Narrow width approximation employed.
  5. Non-resonant diagrams ignored.

# Decay chains

[JA, T. Stelzer]

$gg \rightarrow (g \rightarrow u \sim (u \rightarrow u \ n1)) \ (g \rightarrow b \sim (b \rightarrow (b \ (n2 \rightarrow \mu^+ \ (\mu \rightarrow \mu^- \ n1)))) \ ) \ )$



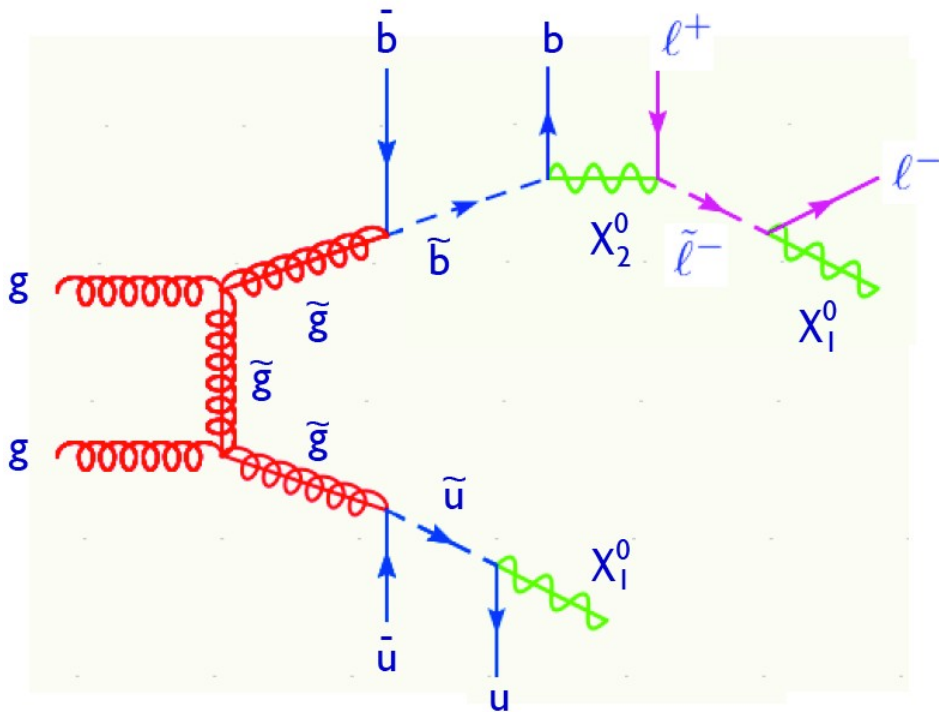
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Example safe simplification: factorize process at scalar decay

$$gg \rightarrow (g \rightarrow u \tilde{u}) (u \rightarrow u \text{ } n1) \quad (g \rightarrow b \tilde{b}) (b \rightarrow b \text{ } n2)$$

Decay scalars at event level with MG or BRIDGE

$$u \rightarrow u \text{ } n1$$

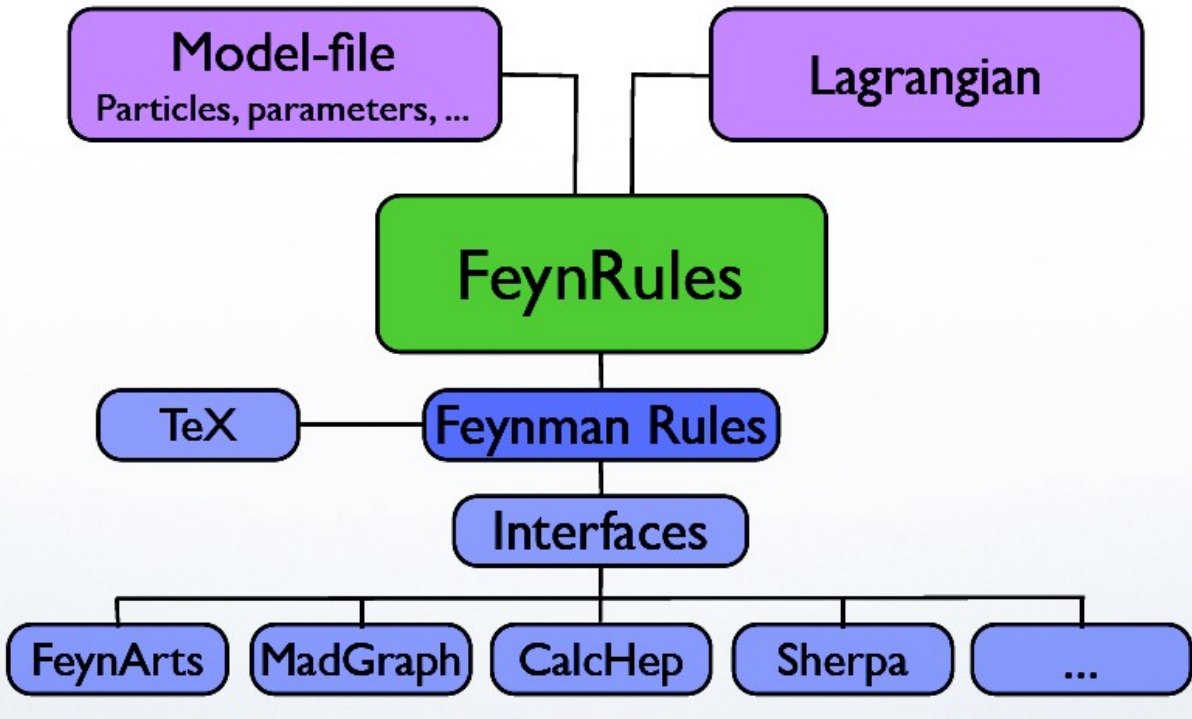
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[P. Meade, M. Reece, 2007]

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[Christensen, Duhr + MC collaborators]

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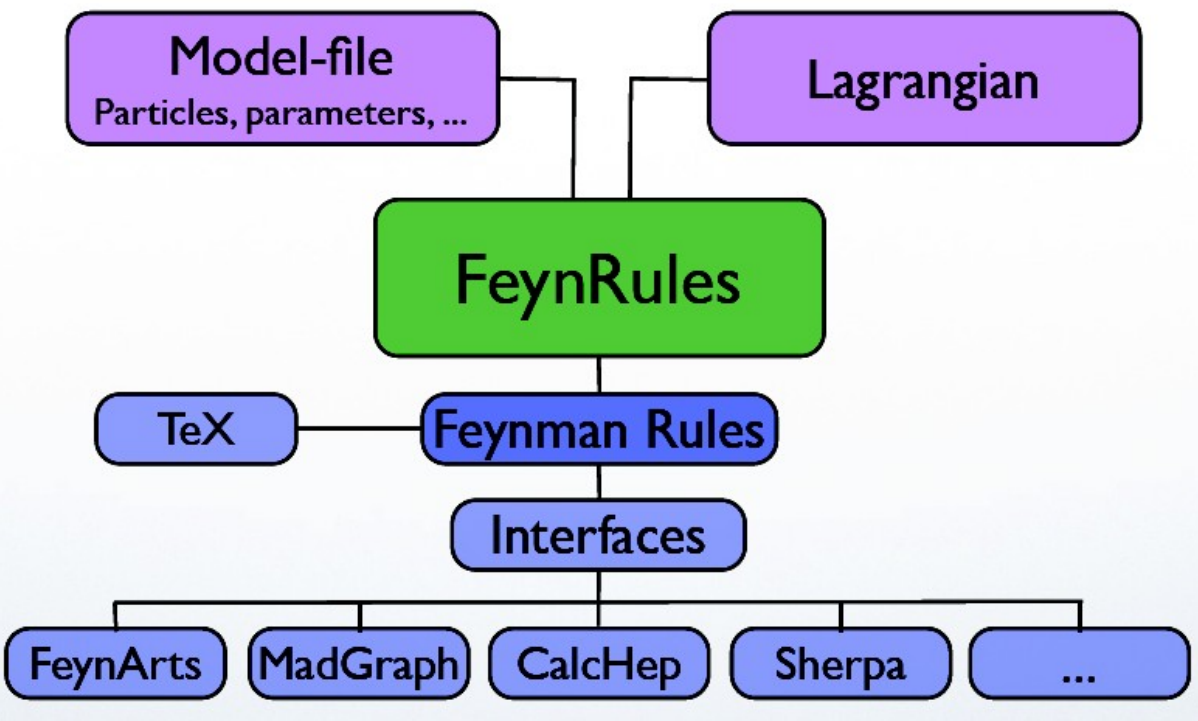


Interfaces available

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 & - m_{\psi} \tilde{h}^{\tilde{n}} \bar{\psi} \psi + \frac{1}{2} \bar{\psi} i \gamma^{\mu} (\partial_{\mu} \tilde{h}^{\tilde{n}} - \partial^{\nu} \tilde{h}_{\mu\nu}^{\tilde{n}}) \psi \\
 & + \frac{3\omega}{2} \tilde{\phi}^{\tilde{n}} \bar{\psi} i \gamma^{\mu} D_{\mu} \psi - 2\omega m_{\psi} \tilde{\phi}^{\tilde{n}} \bar{\psi} \psi \\
 & + \frac{3\omega}{4} \partial_{\mu} \tilde{\phi}^{\tilde{n}} \bar{\psi} i \gamma^{\mu} \psi
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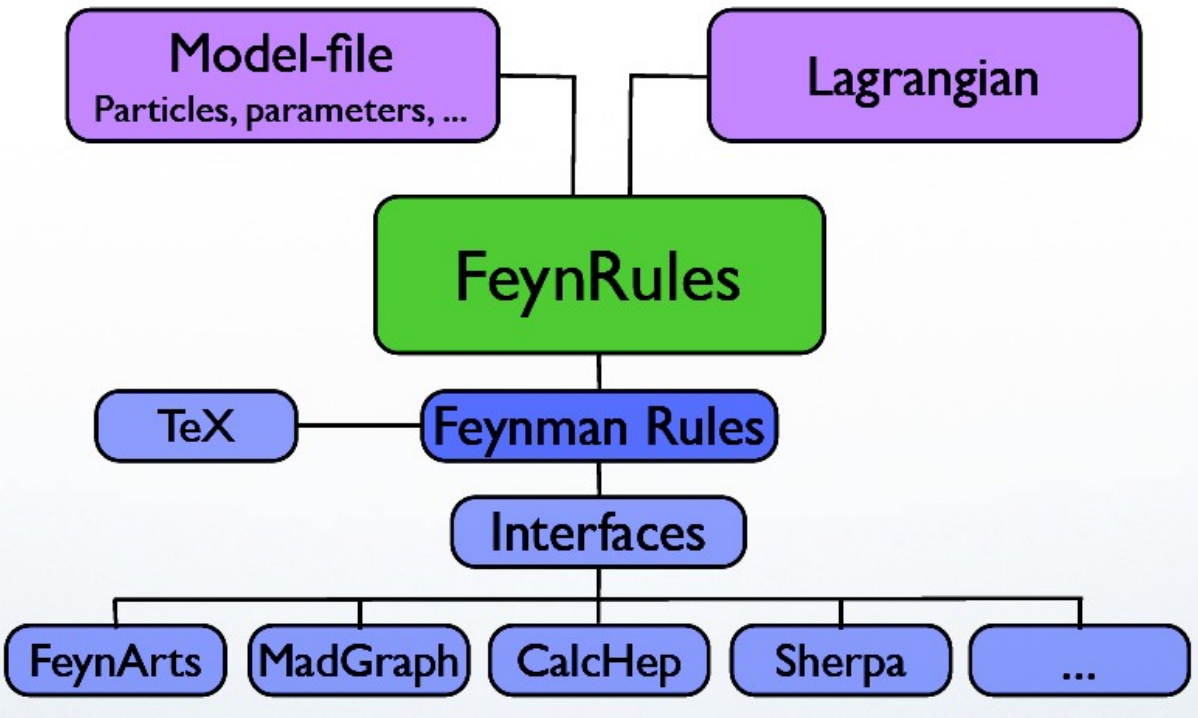
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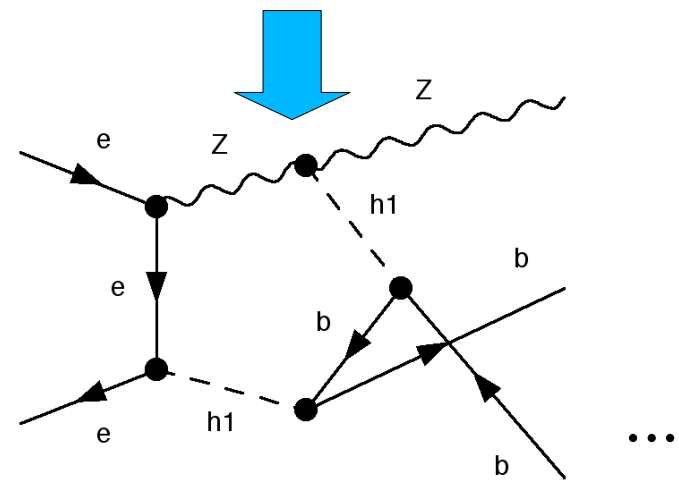
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# FeynRules

[C. Duhr + MC collaborators]

- Example models implemented
  - Standard Model
  - 3-site Model
  - Higgs effective theory
  - Partial supersymmetric models
- Extensive testing between MG/ME and CalcHEP/CompHEP (FR outputs and stock versions)
- Full MSSM under testing and UED underway
- Trivial to make changes (e.g. NMSSM) which would be very work-intensive in stock versions!

# Conclusions

- LHC poses new challenges to the MC community
- Continuous developments necessary
- MadGraph/MadEvent approach:
  - Building a community
    - Web based : public clusters with personal DB's, Twiki, open CVS repository.
    - Support to spin-offs, independent projects, and custom MC needs (Ex: BRIDGE, FeynRules, NLO, BSM implementations, ...)
  - Providing a fully-fledged platform for physics studies at colliders
    - Complete (staged) simulation chain via web + Grid version
    - SM and BSM : signal and backgrounds (including multi-jet samples with ME/PS merging)
    - TH and EXP tools : StandAlone, ExRootAnalysis, MatchChecker, MadWeight,...

# Backup slides

# Automatic dipole subtraction

[R. Frederix, N. Greiner]

$$\sigma^{\text{NLO}} = \int_{m+1} \left[ d^{(4)} \sigma^R - d^{(4)} \sigma^A \right] + \int_m \left[ \int_{\text{loop}} d^{(d)} \sigma^V + \int_1 d^{(d)} \sigma^A \right]_{\epsilon=0}$$

- Goal: Automatic divergence subtraction for reals of any NLO calculation
  - Catani-Seymour subtraction scheme
  - Both for SM and BSM
  - Compatible also with MG standalone
- Alpha version (FS dipoles) working
  - IS-FS and IS-IS dipoles in bugfix mode



# MadWeight

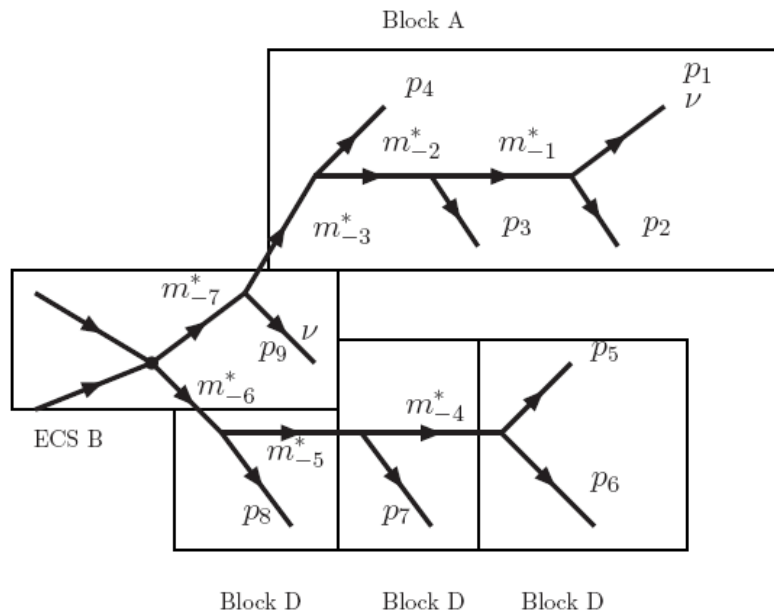
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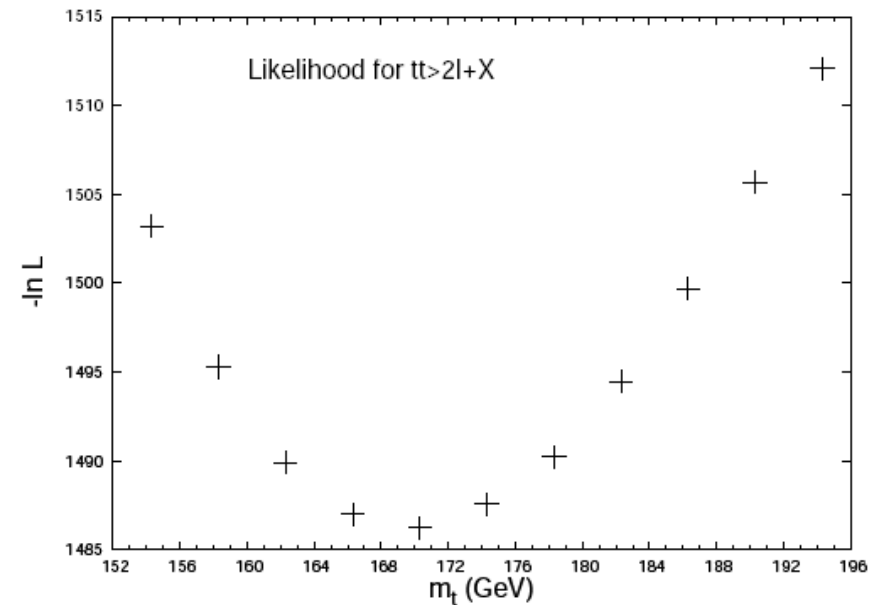
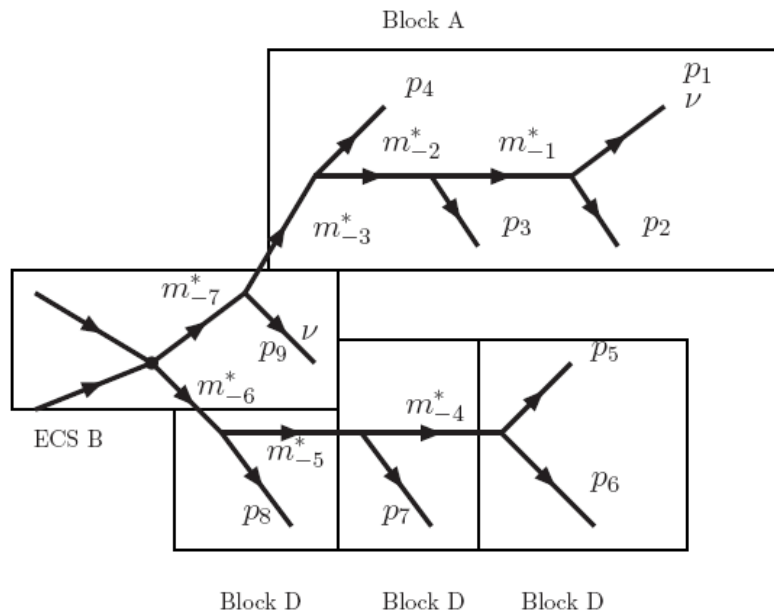


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Find likelihood for model  
parameters (here top mass)

# MG/ME on the Grid

[Mad team]

- Optimized/specialized code for given process
- MG code creation as usual
- Selection of parameters (cards) as usual
- Train grids + get relative subprocess cross sections once and for all in a “gridpack”
- Quick and efficient generation of few events on single machine – only run relevant channels
- Only input: random seed, number of events

# LHC event samples

[Mad team, see MadGraph Wiki]

- Provide set of samples for key SM and BSM processes at LHC including Pythia+PGS simulations
- Started generation of matched LHC backgrounds
  - $W/Z/a$  + jets; top pairs + jets; QCD, b pairs + jets; Higgs + jets; VVV, single top, VBF, ...
- Small-size (1M) event sample + Grid code
- Samples validated by MC authors
  - Used by experiments as reference
  - Used by theorists for semi-realistic proto-analyses

# More about matching in MG

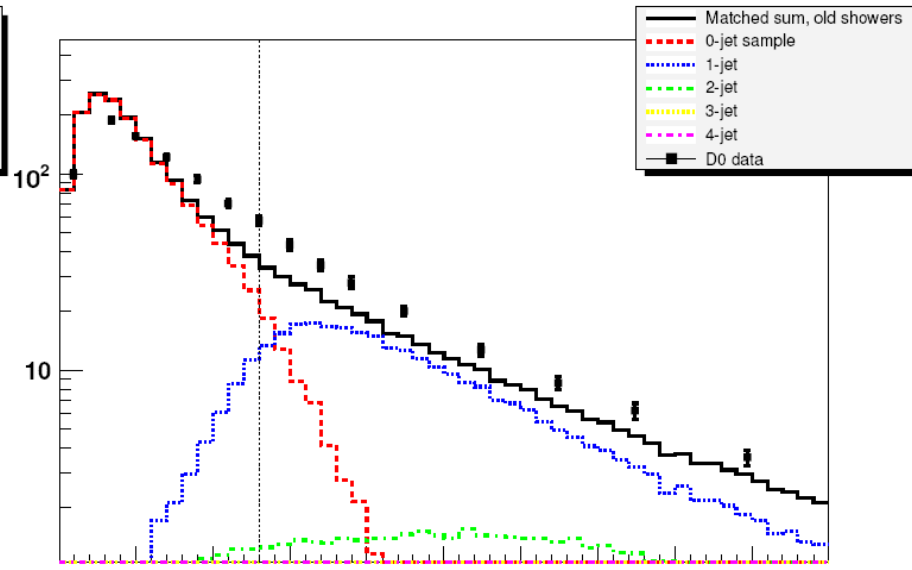
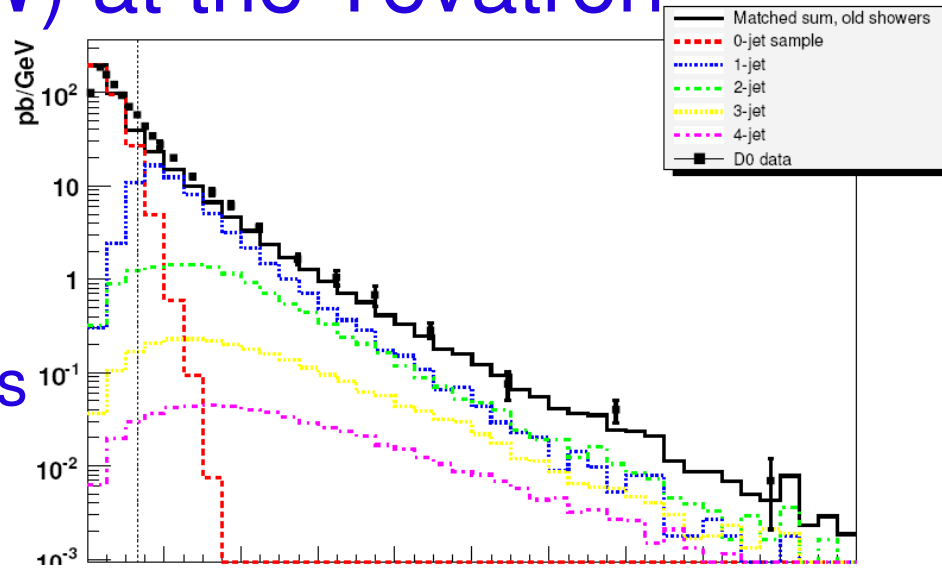
## Shower kT scheme

- Keep/reject event based on  $k_T$  of hardest shower emission (as reported by Pythia)
- Highest multiplicity treatment as in CKKW, use min  $d_{parton}$  as cutoff
- No jet clustering
- No need of “fiducial region”, can use  $k_T^{match} = d_{cut}^{ME}$
- Need similar kT definitions in ME and PS (only “new”,  $p_T$ -ordered showers at present)

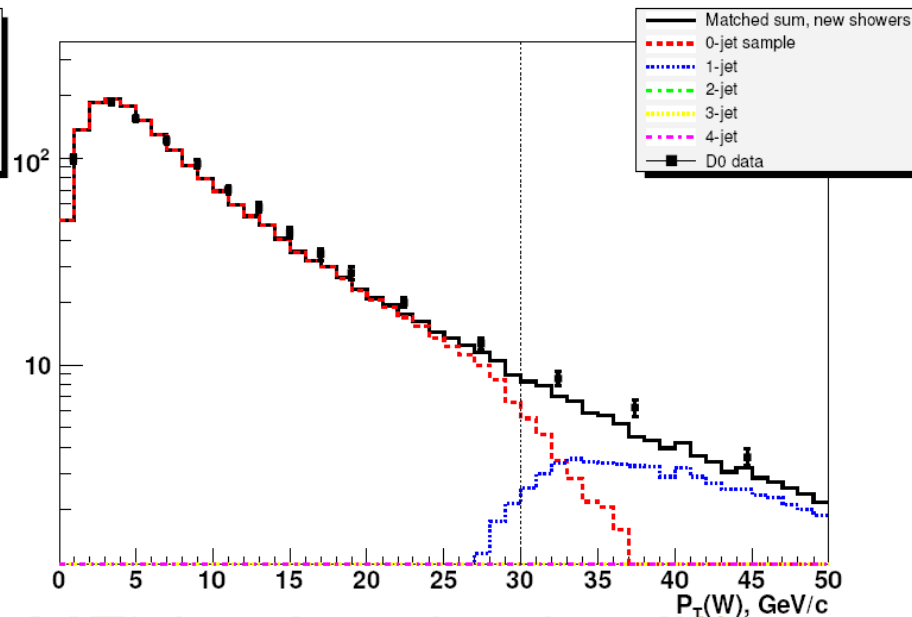
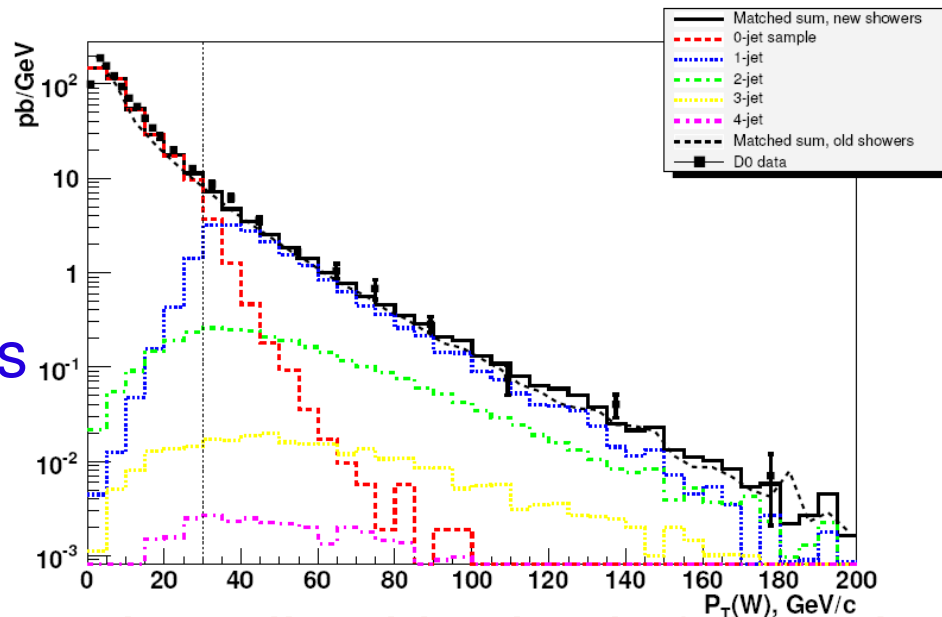
# Difference between Pythia showers

## $p_T(W)$ at the Tevatron

“Old”  
Pythia  
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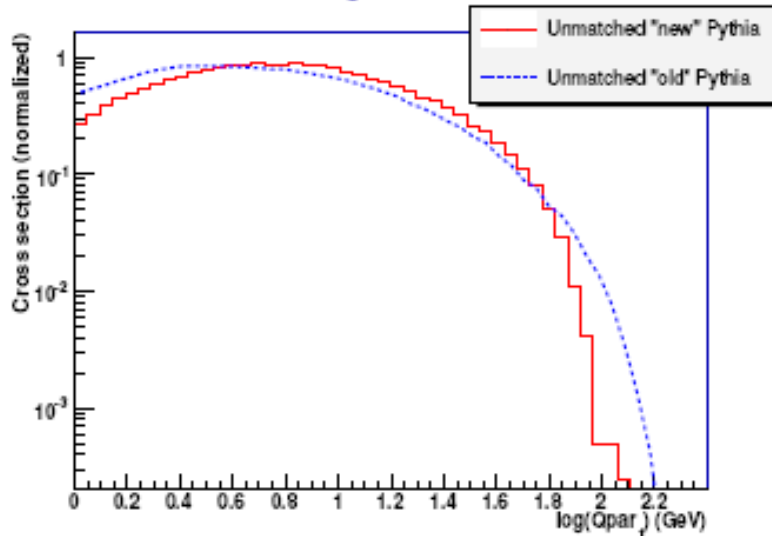


Tail well described by both (given by ME) but head quite different

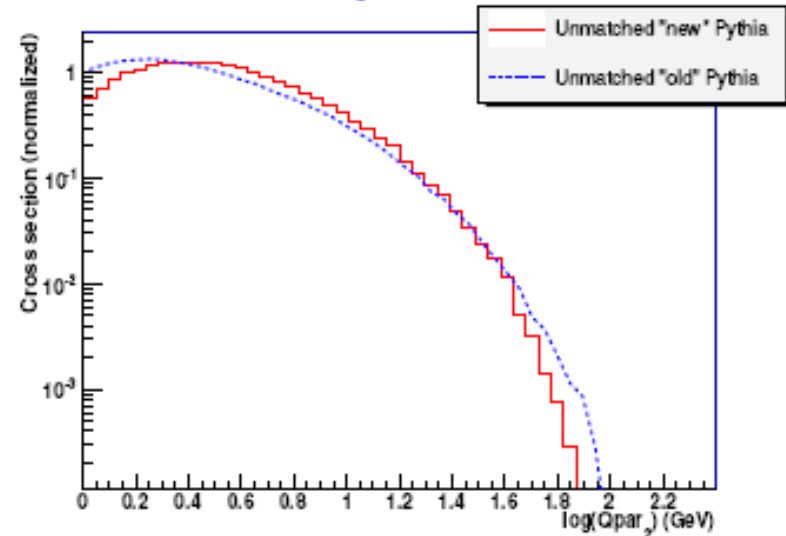
# Comparisons between old and new Pythia showers

Differential jet rates in  $W$  production at the Tevatron

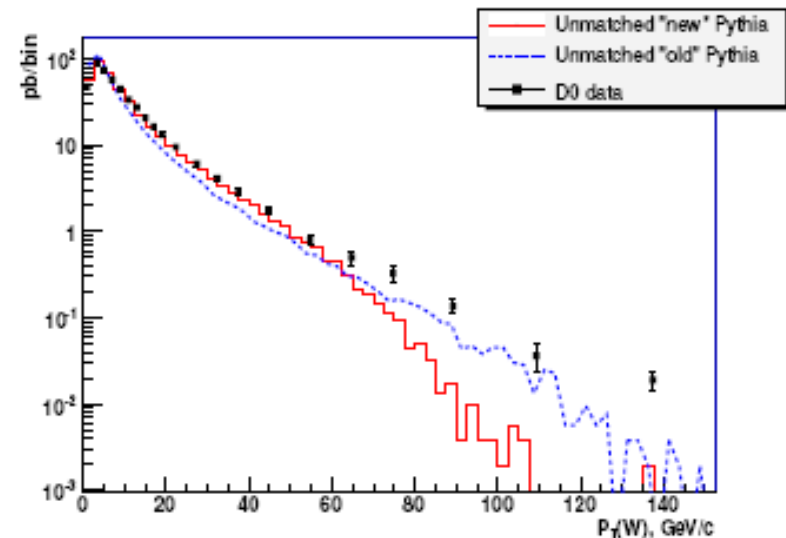
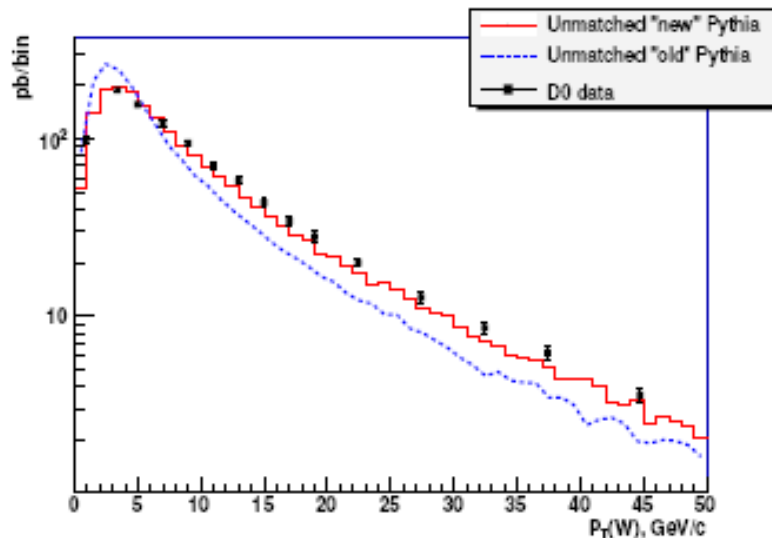
$0 \rightarrow 1$  jet rate



$1 \rightarrow 2$  jet rate



$p_T(W)$  in  $W$  production at the Tevatron





# Model building with FeynRules

- Step 1: Add all the parameters of the new sector to the model file:

**f1** == {Value -> 600,  
InteractionOrder -> {QED, -1}},

**l1** == {Value -> 0.25,  
InteractionOrder -> {QED, 2}},

**ca** == {Value -> 0.896242},

Cosine of the mixing angle

$$L = -\frac{1}{2}(D_\mu\Phi)^\dagger(D_\mu\Phi) - \frac{\lambda_0}{8}(\Phi^\dagger\Phi - f_0^2)^2 - \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu H)^2 - \frac{\lambda_1}{8}(2f_1 H - \Phi^\dagger\Phi)^2$$

Slides from C. Duhr, MC4BSM 2008

# Model building with FeynRules

- **Step II:** Add all the particles of the new sector to the model file:

```
S[1] == {
  ClassName -> h1,
  SelfConjugate -> True,
  Mass -> {Mh1, 78.5}},
```

Mass eigenstate

```
S[2] == {
  ClassName -> H,
  SelfConjugate -> True,
  Unphysical -> True,
  Definitions -> {H -> sa h1 +ca h2}}
```

Mixing

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- Step III: The lagrangian describing the new sector (Unitary gauge)

$$\Phi = \{0, h + f_0\}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Higgs}} = -\frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu H^2 - \frac{1}{8} (2 f_1 H - \text{HC}[\Phi] \cdot \Phi)^2$$

$$-\frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu H^2 - \frac{1}{8} (2 f_1 H - \Phi^\dagger \cdot \Phi)^2$$

$$L = -\frac{1}{2} (D_\mu \Phi)^\dagger (D_\mu \Phi)$$

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$$- \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu H)^2$$

$$- \frac{\lambda_1}{8} (2 f_1 H - \Phi^\dagger \Phi)^2$$

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# Phenomenology with FeynRules

- The results obtained by FeynRules can be easily exported to FeynArts:

```
WriteFeynArtsOutput["HillModel.mod",{LSM + LHill}, FlavorExpand → SU2W]
```

— — — FeynRules interface to FeynArts — — —

C. Duhr, 2007

- This produces a FeynArts model-file which can be read by FeynArts.

```
topo = CreateTopologies[1, 2 → 3,  
  ExcludeTopologies → Internal];  
Amp = InsertFields[topo,  
  {F[2, {1}], -F[2, {1}]} → {V[2], F[4, {3}], -F[4, {3}]},  
  Model → HillModel];
```

- The results obtained by FeynRules can be easily exported to MC generators:

```
WriteMGOutput[LSM + LHill]
```

— — — FeynRules interface to MadGraph — — —

C. Duhr, M. Herquet

- Etc.

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