# **High Energy Physics and Jets**

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### **Outline**

- Inside Colliders and Detectors
- What is Phenomenology?
- Data Analysis
- Jets
- Jet Algorithms

#### Large Hadron Collider

- $\bullet$  14 TeV  $p^+p^+$  collider
- LHC Olympics
	- community-wide competition
	- given an unknown data set to analyze and explain



### **Colliders**

- Linear or Circular particle accelerators
	- accelerate charged particles using magnets  $+$  E-fields
	- either collides 2 beams or a beam with a fixed target
- colliders produce  $e^{\pm}$ ,  $\gamma$ , gluons, quarks etc.
	- $-$  quarks  $+$  gluons shower into jets - a cone of hadronic particles  $(\pi^{\pm,0} \ ...)$



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#### **Detectors**

- trackers designed to locate charged particles
	- semiconductor based for charged particles
	- pixel tracker for vertex location
- calorimeters designed to measure energy of particles
	- stops all particles except  $\mu$ ,  $\nu$
	- inner electromagnetic calorimeter for e,  $\gamma$
	- outer calorimeter for hadrons
- triggers determines if an event is worth recording
	- Hardware and Software based -programmed to 'know' what is an interesting event (is this a dangerous bias?)
	- Reduces Standard Model background records less than 1 in  $10^5$ events

### Phenomenology

- Goal is to connect theory and experiment
- detection errors e vs.  $\mu$
- smearing of the event
- geometry two "holes" on the ends of the detector
- initial state
	- $-$  net charge (ie.  $p^+p^+$  )
	- $-$  net momentum (ie.  $e^+e^-\,$  )

#### Data

• What does the compiled data look like?



- Typ = particle type  $0 = \gamma, \ldots$
- $\eta =$  pseudorapidity =  $-\ln(\tan(\frac{\theta}{2}))$

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#### Data

 $# \quad type \qquad eta \qquad phi \qquad pt \quad jmas \quad ntrk \quad btag \quad had\emph{em}$ 1 4 −3.491 6.118 6.92 0.99 25.0 0.0 41.14 2 1 −0.085 1.151 210.39 0.00 −1.0 0.0 0.00 3 6 0.000 3.194 519.76 0.00 0.0 0.0 0.00

- $\phi =$  azimuthal angle
- $p_t$  = transverse momentum  $\sim$  p orthogonal to the beam axis
- $\bullet$   $j_{mass} =$  invariant mass  $\sim$ √  $\overline{p^\mu p_\mu}$
- $\bullet$  ntracks  $=$  number of tracks and charge information

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#### Data



- $\bullet$  btag = (for jets) does the jet contain a b-quark
- $\bullet$   $\frac{had}{em}$  = ratio of energy dumped in hadronic and electromagnetic colorimeters

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-\frac{had}{em} > 1 \text{ for jets, } \ll 1 \text{ for } \gamma, \text{ e}
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#### Jets

- come from quarks or gluons showering
	- both carry color, which must be confined into color-neutral objects
	- the hadrons can also decay into more hadrons
- inherently amorphous there is no strict mapping from the short distance quark/gluon state to the long-distance final state particles

### Jet Algorithms

- Need a specific definition to find jets
- Debate what is the most consistent with experiment and theory
	- $-$  Cone  $\sim$  finds energy within a circular region in the calorimeters
	- KT  $\sim$  combines particles using 4momentum as a gauge of proximity



### Cone Algorithm

- 1. defines seeds as a calorimeter readings above a pre-defined value (say 1 GeV)
	- technically we should look everywhere but this is simpler
- 2. Sums the energy within a certain radius of each seed
- 3. calculates the cone's centroid
	- if  $\eta^{centroid} = \eta^{cone}$  and  $\phi^{centroid} = \phi^{cone}$  then this is a jet (ie it is stable)
	- If not we move to the position of the centroid and iterate
- 4. repeated until only stable cones (jets) are left

#### Cone Algorithm Problems

- What do we do if cones overlap?
- Cone algorithms have a splash-out effect (data effect)
- Seeds cause Infrared sensitivity (perterbation theory)





### $k_t$  Algorithm

- 1. combines particles i,j pairwise based on proximity in momentum space (starting with lowest energy)
	- $\bullet$  calculates distance for i,j  $d_{ij} = min(k_{ti}^2, k_{tj}^2)$  $R_i^2$  $ij$  $\overline{D^2}$
	- $R_{ij}^2 = (\eta_i \eta_j)^2 + (\phi_i \phi_j)^2$
	- $\bullet$  distance from the beam,  $d_{iB}=k_{ti}^2$  $ti$
	- finds min. of all  $d_{ij}$ 
		- if it is between two particles, they are merged
		- if it is between a particle and the beam, we have a jet

### $k_t$  Algorithm Problems

#### $\bullet$  the  $k_t$  algorithm has a splash-in effect



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#### Solutions to Algorithm Problems

- ALL jet algorithms have their own quirks
- Seedless Algorithms  $\sim$  place trial cones everywhere
- Split/Merge phase puts energy in one cone based on  $f_{merge}$  (ie. which cone has more of the overlapping energy)
- Midpoints for cone  $\sim$  search between cones less than 2 cone radii apart

## Algorithm Timing

- With so many events occurring and large numbers of particles, processing jets needs to be fast
- Need to understand how time scales with N (the number of particles in an event)
- In particular what part of the algorithm takes the longest and can we optimize this?

### Fastjet

• uses geometry algorithms to speed up the process

- Reduces time from  $\mathcal{O}(N^3)$  to  $\mathcal{O}(N \ln(N))$ 
	- $-$  KT algorithms take  $\mathcal{O}(N^2)$  to compute  $d_{ij}$
	- $-$  this is repeated N times for total of  $\mathcal{O}(N^3)$
	- Fastjet uses efficient list management (nearest neighbor)



#### Midpoint sub-process Timing

• 3 main processes

- 1. Find stable cones from seeds
- 2. Find Midpoint cones
- 3. Split/Merge cones



#### **JetClu sub-process Timing**

• 4 main processes

- 1. Seed Towers
- 2. Preclusters
- 3. Stable Cones
- 4. Split/Merge cones



### Summary

- For solid phenomenological predictions we need to understand
	- detector geometry, capabilities
	- The model to be studied
	- Properties of the algorithms used
- Jets play an important role in HEP and a precise and **consistent** definition is important to achieve accurate results
- There is **NO** right answer except that we must match THEORY and EXPERIMENT