Theoretical Particle Physics in Lund

- **QCD phenomenology**  
  Event generators: Gösta Gustafson, Torbjörn Sjöstrand, Leif Lönnblad, Malin Sjödahl, Stefan Prestel, Jesper Roy Christiansen, Christian Bierlich  
  Diffraction, color singlet exchange, factorization: Gösta Gustafson, Johan Rathsman, Roman Pasechnik  
  Low energy QCD phenomenology, flavor physics: Johan Bijnens, Johan Relefors

- **BSM and cosmology**  
  Johan Rathsman, Roman Pasechnik, Thomas Rössler, Denis Karateev
High energy QCD: Event generators

**PYTHIA**

- Torbjörn Sjöstrand
  Transition to PYTHIA 8 in C++
- Jesper Roy Christiansen working on $W^\pm/Z$ radiation in PYTHIA

**NLO - parton shower matching**

- Leif Lönnblad and Stefan Prestel
  To accurately describe data at LHC we would like to calculate the hard process at NLO and then combine this with parton showers.

  This is tricky, one has to take care not to double count singular regions of phase space. Also necessary to merge showers with different number of emissions, done in PYTHIA.
Results: NLO - parton shower matching

Transverse momentum of hardest jet for $W^\pm +$ jets
DIPSY

- Gösta Gustafson, Leif Lönnblad and Christoffer Flensburg (former PhD student)
  Small $x$ event generator based on the BFKL equation, includes saturation
  Applicable to $e$, $p$, and nucleus scattering, used for studying correlations, exclusive events and diffraction
  Work continued by Christian Bierlich for nucleus-nucleus

Subleading $N_c$ effects

- Malin Sjödahl
  $N_c$ suppressed terms in parton showers and fixed order calculations
Diffraction, QCD factorization, color singlet exchange mechanism

- Gösta Gustafson, Leif Lönnblad,
  diffraction based on the optical theorem (DIPSY)

- Roman Pasechnik,
  Diffractive gauge boson production and issues with QCD factorization

- Johan Rathsman and Roman Pasechnik et al.,
  diffractive W-production as a test of color singlet exchange mechanism
Low energy QCD

• Hans Bijnens,
  Chiral perturbation theory,
  Low energy effective field theory for QCD, expanding in
  momentum and mass/energy
  Higher order corrections from leading logarithmic contributions
  of form \( (m_{\text{meson}}^2 \log(m_{\text{meson}}^2/\mu_{\text{renorm}}^2))^n \) - an attempt to improve the
  accuracy in chiral perturbation theory
  Hadronic corrections to muon anomalous magnetic moment
  with Johan Relefors
Beyond the standard model and cosmology

• Johan Rathsman and Thomas Rössler,
  Light charged Higgs bosons in the NMSSM

• Johan Rathsman, Hans Bijnens and Jie Lu (former PhD student),
  Effects of flavor changing neutral currents from the renormalization group evolution

• Roman Pasechnik, Johan Rathsman and Denis Karateev,
  Grand unified theories based on $SU(3)_C \otimes SU(3)_L \otimes SU(3)_R$

• Roman Pasechnik,
  Higgs sector in bosonic technicolor models
  Cosmological constant from QCD vacuum in quasi-classical gravity
Funding and international networks

• Activity largely sponsored by VR, 50% of Johan Bijnens, Johan Rathsman and Leif Lönnblad, 75% of Malin Sjödahl. We (Torbjörn Sjöstrand) also have group contract from VR
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• HadronPhysics 2012-2014
Treating $N_c = 3 \neq \infty$

- An $N_c = 3 \neq \infty$ parton showers with Simon Plätzer

- ColorFull - a C++ package for parton showers and fixed order calculations in SU($N_c$)
  Work in progress

- Orthogonal bases for $SU(N_c)$ color space with Stefan Keppeler

- ColorMath - a Mathematica package for color summed calculations in SU($N_c$)
  arXiv:1211.2099
The color space

• We never observe individual colors \(\rightarrow\) we are only interested in color summed quantities

• For given external partons, the color space is a finite dimensional vector space equipped with a scalar product

\[
< A, B > = \sum_{a,b,c,...} (A_{a,b,c,...})^* B_{a,b,c,...}
\]

Example: If

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A = \sum_g (t^g)^a_b (t^g)^c_d = \sum_g \begin{array}{c}
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then \( < A|A > = \sum_{a,b,c,d,g,h} (t^g)^b_a (t^g)^d_c (t^h)^a_b (t^h)^c_d \)

• We may use any basis (spanning set)
• In general an amplitude can be written as linear combination of different color structures, like

\[ A + B + \ldots \]

• This is the kind of “trace bases” used in ColorFull for the SU(3) parton shower, and in most NLO calculations
An $N_c = 3$ parton shower

In collaboration with Simon Plätzer (DESY)


- Traditional parton showers such as PYTHIA treats the three colors of nature as infinitely many
- We correct each emission by keeping all terms in an $1/N_c$ expansion
- So far we have studies a LEP-like setting, for which we find small deviations for standard observables
- Now we are working on hadron colliders
ColorFull

For the purpose of treating a general QCD color structure I have written a C++ color algebra code, ColorFull, which:

- Is used in the color shower with Simon Plätzer and in a Higgs + 3 jets at NLO project
- automatically creates a “trace basis” for any number and kind of partons, and to any order in $\alpha_s$
- describes the effect of gluon emission
- ... and gluon exchange
- squares color amplitudes
- is planned to be published separately
However...

- The type of “basis” used for the color shower (and most NLO calculations) is **non-orthogonal** and **overcomplete** (for more than $N_c$ gluons plus $q\bar{q}$-pairs)

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  $\rightarrow$ when squaring amplitudes we run into a factorial square scaling

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- **Would be nice with minimal orthogonal basis**
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In collaboration with Stefan Keppeler (Tübingen)

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- This has the potential to very significantly speed up exact calculations in the color space of $SU(N_c)$
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Easy to use Mathematica package for color summed calculations in QCD, $SU(N_c)$

In[1] = Get["/data/Documents/Annatjobb/Color/Mathematica/ColorMath0.90.m"]

Version: 0.90 (November 8 2012), for Mathematica 7 and 8.

Author: Malin Sjodahl

For suggestions and bug reports contact malin.sjodahl@thep.lu.se.

If you use this package for research, please cite the ColorMath paper.

In[2] = Amplitude = T t^{(g)q_1} t^{(g)q_2} + S t^{(g)q_1} t^{(g)q_2} t^{(g)q_4}_3;

In[3] = CSimplify[Amplitude Conjugate[Amplitude /. g -> g2]]


\[\frac{Nc}{Nc}\]

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The End

Thank you for your attention!
Backup: Thrust

For standard observables small effects, here thrust

$$T = \max_n \frac{\sum_i |p_i \cdot n|}{\sum_i |p_i|}$$

Thrust, $\tau = 1 - T$
Backup: Some tailored observables

For tailored observables we find larger differences

Average transverse momentum and rapidity of softer particles with respect to the thrust axis defined by the three hardest partons

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