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# SHERPA Event Generator

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# SHERPA Framework

## ❖ Automated Hard Interaction

- \* LO, NLO QCD/EW, NNLO QCD
- \* Internal ME generators AMEGIC/COMIX

## ❖ Radiative Corrections

- \* Catani-Seymour based PS
- \* DIRE, YFS QED resummation
- \* EW Sudakovs

## ❖ Multiple interactions

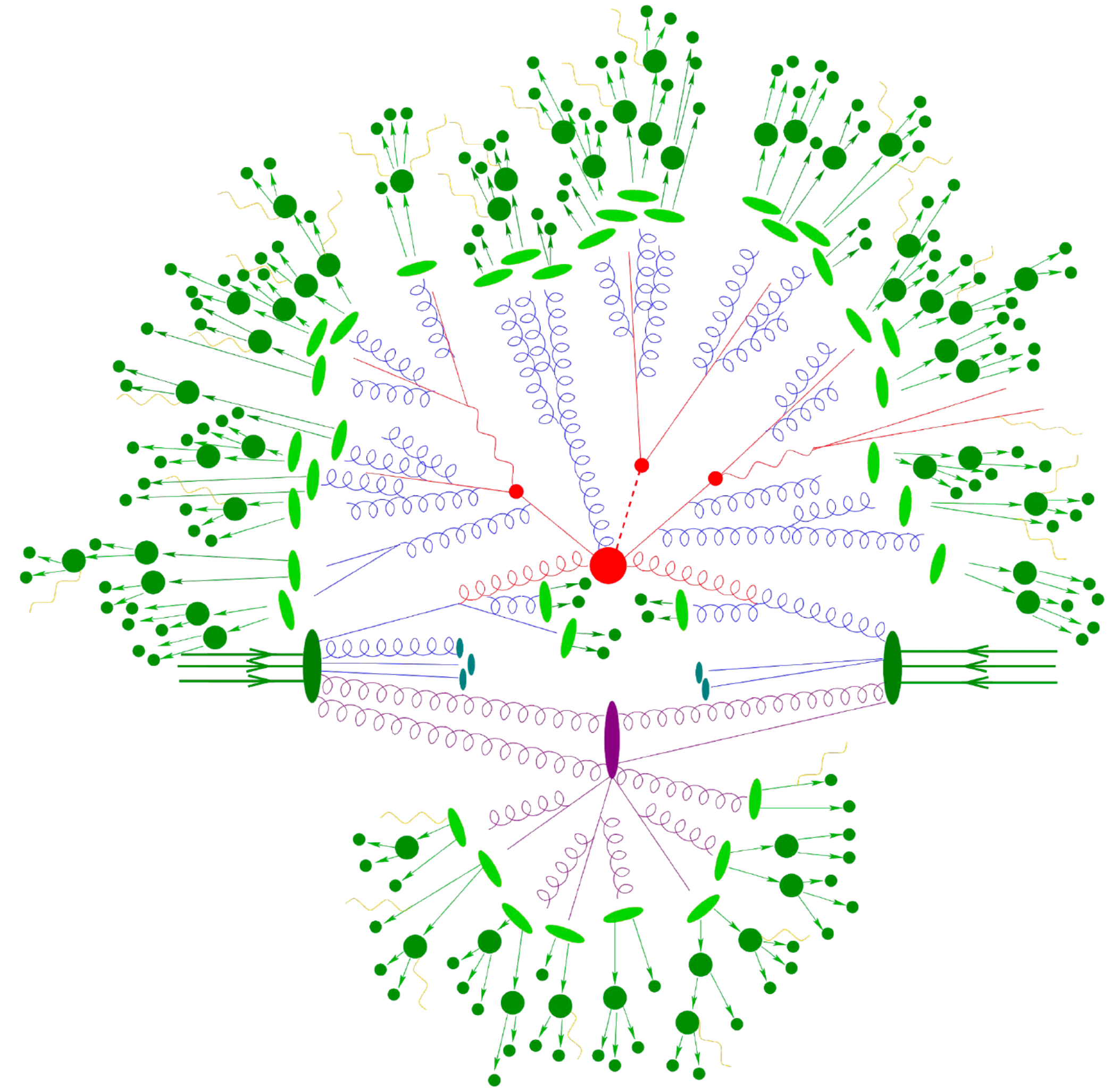
- \* Sjöstrand-Zijl model

## ❖ Hadronization

- \* Cluster hadronization model

## ❖ Hadron Decays

- \* Phase space or EFTs,
- \* YFS QED corrections



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# SHERPA Framework

Sherpa has traditionally focused on LHC physics, but is becoming more broad in its application

## Lepton-Lepton Colliders

YFS Resummation for Future Lepton-Lepton Colliders in SHERPA  
[SciPost Phys. 13 \(2022\) 2, 026](#), F.Krauss, A.P, M. Schönherr

Measuring Hadronic Higgs Boson Branching Ratios at Future Lepton Colliders [2306.03682](#) M.Knobbe, F.Krauss, D.Reichlet, S. Schumann

## Lepton-Hadron Colliders

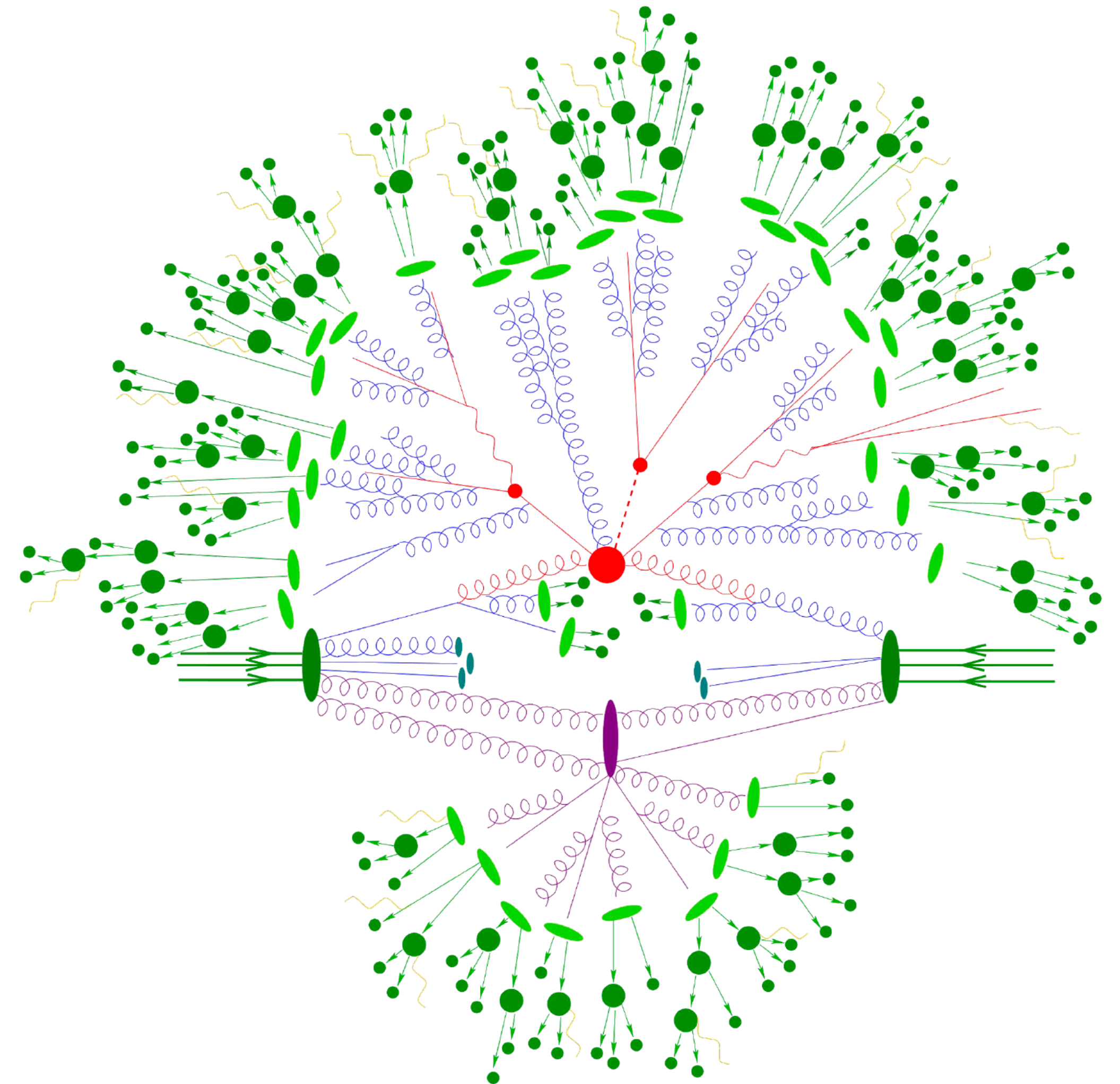
(N)NLO+NLL' accurate predictions for plain and groomed 1-jettiness in neutral current DIS

[JHEP 09 \(2023\) 194](#) M.Knobbe, D.Reichelt, S.Schumann

## Neutrino Experiments

Novel event generator for the automated simulation of neutrino scattering

[Phys.Rev.D 105 \(2022\) 9, 096006](#) J.Isaacson, S.Höche, D.Gutierrez, N.Rocco



[SciPost Phys. 7 \(2019\) 3, 034](#)

# YFS Resummation

- ❖ Yennie-Frautschi-Suura allows us to resum **soft logs to infinite order**
- ❖ Provides a systematic method to include **perturbative corrections**
- ❖ The multi-photon phase space is treated exactly => Explicit Photons
- ❖ The MC implementation developed and championed by the Krakow group

[Comput.Phys.Commun. 130 \(2000\) 260-325](#)

$$d\sigma = \sum_{n_\gamma=0}^{\infty} \frac{e^{Y(\Omega)}}{n_\gamma!} d\Phi_Q \left[ \prod_{i=1}^{n_\gamma} d\Phi_i^\gamma S(k_i) \Theta(k_i, \Omega) \right] \left( \tilde{\beta}_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{n_\gamma} \frac{\tilde{\beta}_1(k_j)}{S(k_j)} + \sum_{\substack{j,k=1 \\ j < k}}^{n_\gamma} \frac{\tilde{\beta}_2(k_j, k_k)}{S(k_j)S(k_k)} + \dots \right),$$

**~Process Independent**

**Process Dependent**

# Sherpa for Strong2020

Process	LO	YFS	YFS@NLO
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**Complete** = No approximations, all mass effects etc

**YFS** = Not quite LO, contains LL approximations to (N)NLO

**YFS@NLO** = “Modern” NLO i.e Full real and virtual corrections

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**HVP** = alphaQED F. Jegerlehner. Can provide separate contributions e.g Leptonic only

**Pion Form-Factor** = Same as git repo



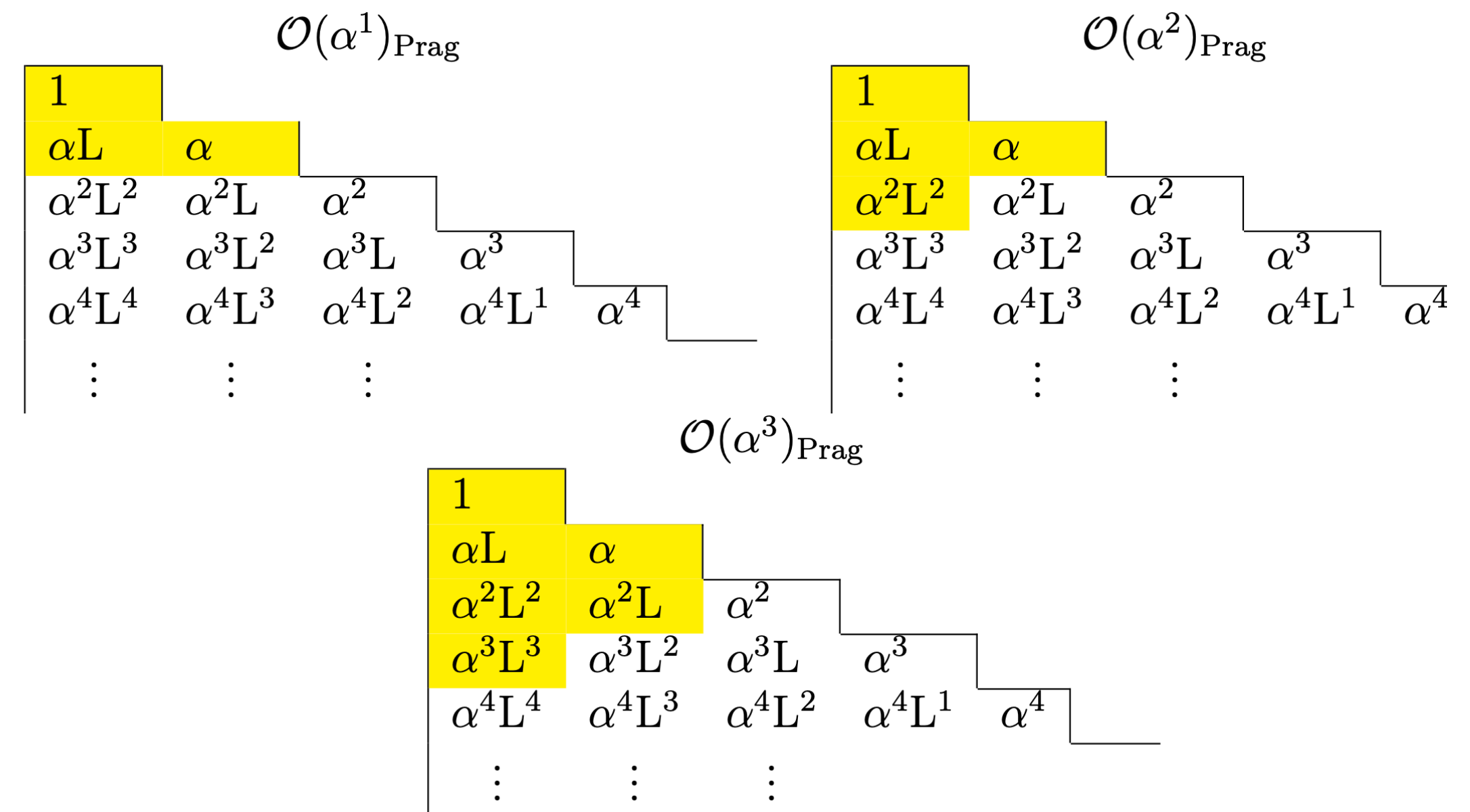
# Higher Order Corrections

$$\tilde{\beta}_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{n_\gamma} \frac{\tilde{\beta}_1(k_j)}{S(k_j)} + \sum_{\substack{j,k=1 \\ j < k}}^{n_\gamma} \frac{\tilde{\beta}_2(k_j, k_k)}{S(k_j)S(k_k)} + \dots$$

Originally implemented in EEX framework of KKMC

While easy to implement suffers from a lack of accuracy e.g No Initial-final interference

Solved in KKMC with CEEX corrections



# Automatic One-Loop Corrections

$$\tilde{\beta}_0^1(\Phi_n) = \mathcal{V}(\Phi_n) - \sum_{ij} \mathcal{D}_{ij}(\Phi_{ij})$$

- ❖ Full One Loop EW contribution
  - ❖ Contains IR divergent terms
- ❖ Need a loop generator that can include all lepton masses!
  - ❖ Currently only Recola can provide this
- ❖ All or nothing. Cannot separate ISR/FSR

- ❖ Fully automated within YFS module
- ❖ Constructed from all dipoles
- ❖ Really should be limited to leptonic final states only
- ❖ Works for massive quarks but should not be combined with QCD resummation



# Real Corrections

$$\tilde{\beta}_1^1(\Phi_{n+1}) = \mathcal{R}(\Phi_{n+1}) - \tilde{\beta}_0^0(\Phi_n) \sum_{ij} \tilde{S}_{ij}(k)$$

- ❖ Real photon correction to born process
- ❖ In Principle, can be taken from AMEGIC or COMIX

- ❖ Subtraction term calculate from the eikonals of all dipoles
- ❖ Automated within YFS

# The SHERPA 2.2 event generator framework

## User Inputs

### Initial Beams

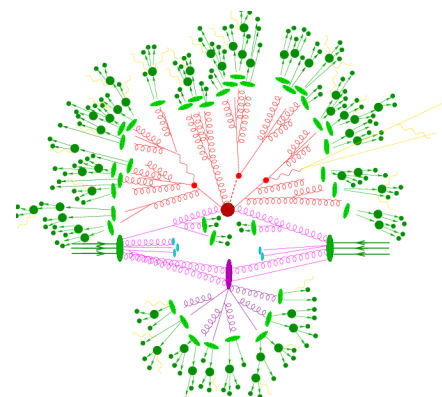
- collider setup
- PDFs (built-in, LHAPDF)
- beam spectra

### Parameters/Models

- FeynRules/UFO
- couplings
- masses
- variations
- shower settings
- non-perturbative parameters

### Physics Process

- parton level
- perturbative order (QCD/EW)
- selectors
- matching/merging
- partonic decays



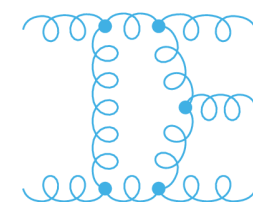
## Matrix Elements

### Matrix Element Generators

- AMEGIC
- COMIX
- CS subtraction

### 1-loop Amplitudes

- OpenLoops
- Recola
- GoSam
- BLHA



## Parton Showers

### CS-Shower (default)

- dipole shower
- fully massive
- QED splittings

### DIRE

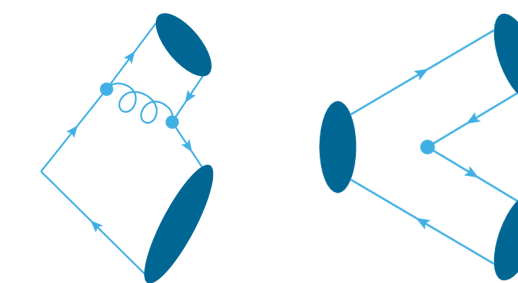
- hybrid dipole-parton shower algorithm
- fully massive



## Soft Physics

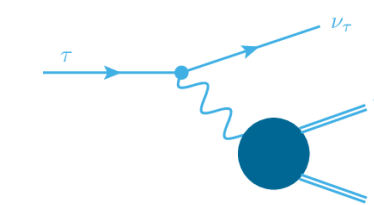
### Hadronisation

- AHADIC: a cluster fragmentation model
- interface to Pythia string fragmentation



### Hadron Decays

- decay tables for hadronic resonances
- dedicated form-factor models, e.g.  $\tau$ , B,  $\Lambda$
- spin correlations
- YFS QED corrections
- partonic channels



### Underlying Event

- multiple parton interactions
- beam-remnant colours
- intrinsic transverse momentum

## Interfaces/Outputs

### Output Formats

- HepMC
- LHEF
- Root Ntuple



### Interfaces

- RIVET analyses
- C++/Python ME access
- MCgrid
- integration into ATLAS/CMS



### Code/Docu

- HepForge
- GitLab
- online documentation

sherpa.hepforge.org

gitlab.com/sherpa-team/sherpa

## Matching and Merging

### Automated MC@NLO style matching

### Multijet-merging algorithms

- based on truncated showers
- tree-level and one-loop matrix elements: MEPS@LO and MEPS@NLO
- approximate electroweak corrections

### NNLO QCD with parton showers

- selected processes only