# Impact of NLO QCD on Key Physics Processes at Future Higgs Factories

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#### International Large Detector (ILD)

## **Introduction: Higgs Factories**

Proposed future colliders:



- > All of them are  $e^+e^-$  colliders.
- > They are designed as Higgs factories for high precision physics.
- > Features of lepton beams: initial state radiation (ISR), polarization, Beam-strahlung...
- $\rightarrow$  Monte-Carlo events generator Whizard [W. Kilian *et al.*, 2007]

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## Introduction: Detector Concept for Higgs Factories

What is ILD?

- It is designed for e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> collisions between 90 GeV and 1 TeV.
- It is optimized for particle flow algorithm (PFA).
- > PFA aims at reconstructing every individual particle created in the event, i.e.:
  - Charged particles
  - Photons
  - Neutral hadrons (has large energy resolution)
- $\rightarrow$  Depends on the tuning of parameters in the MC simulation chain.



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#### **Status and Goals**

- > Present events for analysis of  $e^+e^-$  colliders:
  - Leading order matrix elements are calculated by Whizard 1.95.
  - Parton shower and hadronization are performed by Pythia6.
  - OPAL tune for LEP is used.
- Our goals:
  - Upgrade the simulation chain to Whizard3+Pythia8.
  - Get agreement with LEP data, especially the neutral hadrons.
  - Include NLO matching because of the requirement of high precision.



#### **Test of NLO Mode of Whizard**

To test the NLO mode, we use the following generator setup (LEP1 condition):

- > Process:  $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q} \ (q=u,d,s,c,b)$ .
- > The center of mass energy is  $E_{cm} = 91.19$  GeV.
- > Beams are un-polarized.
- > Beam-strahlung is not considered.
- > ISR is switched off.
- NLO QCD corrections can be calculated by interfacing Whizard with OpenLoops. [F. Bucchioni *et al.*, 2019]
- > Whizard supports POWHEG matching. [P. Nason, 2004]
- > Finally, events can be showered by Pythia8. [C. Bierlich et al., 2022]

#### Test of NLO Mode of Whizard: Average Hadron **Multiplicities**

Hadronization rates are crucial for studying particle flow performance. To see the NLO effects, we study the average hadron multiplicities. The dominant hadrons are pions. The average numbers of pions in events are



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> The numbers of hadrons at NLO are slightly lower than the LO. DESY. | Impact of NLO QCD on Key Physics Processes at Future Higgs Factories | Zhijie Zhao | September 27, 2023

#### **Test of NLO Mode of Whizard: Kinematics Distributions**

We use FastJet [M. Cacciari *et al.*, 2011] to find jets with the Durham algorithm. [S. Catani *et al.*, 1991] The total number of jets is forced to 2.



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FastJet define the jets by calculating:

$$d_{ij} = 2\min(E_i^2, E_j^2)(1 - \cos \theta_{ij})$$

We can define a d cut  $d_{3\rightarrow 2}$ , which is the value associated with merging from 3 to 2 jets.



#### Test of NLO Mode of Whizard: Full ILD Simulation

Full Geant4-based MC simulations are crucial to optimize a well performed dectector concept. We take ILD as an example. In this context, an important parameter is the Jet Energy Resolution (JER) of ILD.

To study it, we use the following generator setup:

- >  $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q} \; (q=u,d,s)$
- ISR is switched off.
- >  $E_{cm} = 40, 91, 200, 350, 500$  GeV.
- > Full simulation is performed with ILD-L model.

#### Test of NLO Mode of Whizard: Full ILD Simulation

> As a first step, we reproduce the results of ILD IDR [arXiv:2003.01116], by using Whizard3+Pythia8 at LO.



#### Test of NLO Mode of Whizard: Full ILD Simulation



Here we switch to Pythia8 standard tune.

#### **Summary and Outlook**

Summary:

- The MC simulation chain is necessary to upgrade to modern generators with NLO precision.
- > We test the NLO mode of Whizard.
- > We see how NLO QCD correction changes our results at reconstruction level. Outlook:
- >  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^- b\bar{b}$  and  $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}q'\bar{q}'$  are under considering.
- > Tuning parton shower parameters for NLO.

## Thank You

# **Backup slides**

#### **Jet Algorithm**

- > Neutrinos are removed from the particle lists for clustering.
- Leptons are removed if it satisfies the isolation condition:
  - $p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}.$
  - For each lepton  $\ell$ , we define a isolation variable *I*:

$$I(\ell) = \frac{\sum_{i \neq \ell}^{\Delta R < R, p_T(i) > p_T^{min}} p_T(i)}{p_T(\ell)}$$

where the numerator is the sum of  $p_T$  above  $p_T^{min}$  of all particles within a cone of radius R around the lepton, except  $\ell$ . Here,  $p_T^{min} = 0.1$  GeV and R = 0.1.

- If  $I(\ell) < 0.1$ , the lepton is called isolated.
- > Remained particles are added to the list for clustering.