Precision calculations and Monte Carlo generators for Drell-Yan processes

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A. Arbuzov, U. Baur, S. Dittmaier, S. Jadach, M. Krämer, F. Piccinini, W. Płaczek, M. Treccani, D. Wackeroth

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At CERN, 20 years ago...



The Nobel Prize in Physics 1984



"for their decisive contributions to the large project, which led to the discovery of the field particles W and Z, communicators of weak interaction"



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One of the first W particles



D. Denegri The discovery of the W and Z Physics Report **403** (2004) 107

The Drell-Yan today

CDF Collaboration, hep-ex/0508029



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Physics motivations

Single W/Z boson production: clean process with a large cross section (~ $300(35) \times 10^6$ events/year for $\mathcal{L}_{LHC} = 10 \ fb^{-1}$). It is useful



- to derive precise measurements of the electroweak parameters M_W , Γ_W , $\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}^\ell$. Relevant observables: leptons' transverse momentum p_T^ℓ , W transverse mass M_T^W , forward-backward asymmetry A_{FB}^Z ...
- to monitor the collider luminosity (with ~ 1% precision) and constrain the parton distribution functions (PDFs). Relevant observables: total cross section, W rapidity y_W...
- to search for new physics. Relevant observables: invariant mass distribution $M_{\ell\ell}^Z$ in the high tail...

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The quest for precision: W mass

Present experimental status

TeVEWWG, Phys. Rev. D70 (2004) 092008

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At the Tevatron, electroweak corrections shift M_W by ~ 100 MeV

electron channel: 65 ± 20 MeV muon channel: 168 ± 20 MeV

The theoretical cross section

$$A + B \to W \to \ell \nu_l X$$
$$A + B \to Z \to \ell^+ \ell^- X$$

$$\sigma(s) = \sum_{a,b} \int_0^1 dx_1 \, dx_2(f_{a/A}(x_1,\mu_F) \, f_{b/B}(x_2,\mu_F) + (x_1 \leftrightarrow x_2)) \, \sigma(\hat{s})$$

- $\sigma(\hat{s})$: parton-level cross section, at reduced c.m. energy $\hat{s} = x_1 x_2 s \ (\sqrt{\hat{s}} \sim M_{W,Z})$, including
 - perturbative QCD contributions
 - electroweak corrections
- $f_{a(b)}/(A, B)(x_i, \mu_F)$: PDFs of the initial-state partons with momentum fractions x_i inside the proton(antiproton) A&B, depending on a factorization scale μ_F to reabsorb universal initial-state mass singularities. Typically: $\mu_F = M_{W,Z}$

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Higher-order QCD&QCD generators

NLO/NNLO corrections to W/Z total production rate

G. Altarelli, R.K. Ellis, M. Greco and G. Martinelli, Nucl. Phys. B246 (1984) 12

R. Hamberg, W.L. van Neerven, T. Matsuura, Nucl. Phys. B359 (1991) 343

R.V. Harlander and W.B. Kilgore, Phys. Rev. Lett. 88 (2002) 201801

• resummation of leading/next-to-leading p_T^W/M_W logs (RESBOS)

C. Balazs and C.P. Yuan, Phys. Rev. D56 (1997) 5558

NLO corrections merged with HERWIG Parton Shower (MC@NLO)

S. Frixione and B.R. Webber, JHEP 0206 (2002) 029

NNLO corrections to W/Z rapidity distribution (VRAP)

C. Anastasiou et al. , Phys. Rev. D69 (2004) 094008

K. Melnikov and F. Petriello, hep-ph/0603182

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 Matrix elements Monte Carlos (Alpgen, Sherpa...) matched with vetoed Parton Showers

QCD predictions for W/Z total rates

A.D. Martin et al., Eur. Phys. J. C19 (2001) 313

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• Good convergence of α_s expansion. NLO-NNLO difference \sim 2% at the LHC

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MC@NLO corrections to acceptances

S. Frixione and M.L. Mangano, JHEP 0405 (2004) 056



 Overall QCD uncertainty (NLO + Parton Shower corrections, spin correlations, PDFs and scale uncertainties) at ~ 2% level

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High-precision QCD: W/Z rapidity @ NNLO

C. Anastasiou et al., Phys. Rev. D69 (2004) 094008



- First calculation of a differential distribution at NNLO in α_s. NNLO corrections at ~ 2% at the LHC and residual scale dependence below 1%.
- *O*(α²_S) ≈ *O*(α_{em}) → need to worry about electroweak corrections!

NNLO QCD vs MC@NLO

Courtesy of G. Polesello!

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See also K. Melnikov and F. Petriello, hep-ph/0603182



 For an appropriate choice of the (factorization) scale, NNLO and MC@NLO agree well! (inclusive sample)

Electroweak corrections to luminosity: New!

C.M. Carloni Calame et al., to appear



 NLO electroweak corrections to W rapidity are of the same order (or larger!) than NNLO QCD → relevant for precise luminosity!

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PDFs and total rates

A.D. Martin *et al.*, Eur. Phys. J. **C35** (2004) 325 A.D. Martin *et al.*, Eur. Phys. J. **C14** (2000) 133



Present PDFs uncertainty ~ 3% (or larger!) at the LHC

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W/Z transverse momentum

S. Höche *et al.*, hep-ph/0602031 R. Field, talk at TeV4LHC workshop, Fermilab

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 The modeling of W/Z transverse momenta is a key ingredient underlying most of the precision studies → validation and tuning of Monte Carlos on Tevatron data is crucial for LHC

Electroweak Feynman diagrams

● virtual one-loop corrections (→ electroweak Sudakov logs)



bremsstrahlung corrections (→ collinear singularities)



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NLO electroweak calculations

... before very recent progress

• Electroweak corrections to W production

- * Pole approximation ($\sqrt{\hat{s}} = M_W$)
 - → D. Wackeroth and W. Hollik, Phys. Rev. D55 (1997) 6788
 - → U. Baur, S. Keller, D. Wackeroth, Phys. Rev. D59 (1999) 013002 (WGRAD)

★ Complete $O(\alpha)$ corrections

- → V.A. Zykunov et al., Eur. Phys. J. C3 (2001) 9
- → S. Dittmaier and M. Krämer, Phys. Rev. D65 (2002) 073007
- → U. Baur and D. Wackeroth, Phys. Rev. D70 (2004) 073015

• Electroweak corrections to Z production

★ $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$ photonic corrections

→ U. Baur, S. Keller, W.K. Sakumoto, Phys. Rev. D57 (1998) 199 (ZGRAD)

\star Complete $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$ corrections

→ U. Baur, O. Brein, W. Hollik, C. Schappacher, D. Wackeroth, Phys. Rev. D65 (2002) 033007

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QED initial-state collinear singularities

 QED initial-state collinear singularities are universal → can be absorbed into PDFs, as in QCD

$$f(x) \to f(x,\mu_F^2) - \int_x^1 \frac{dz}{z} f\left(\frac{x}{z},\mu_F^2\right) \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} Q_q^2 \\ \times \left\{ \ln\left(\frac{\mu_F^2}{m_q^2}\right) [P_{ff}(z)]_+ - [P_{ff}(z) \left(2\ln(1-z) + 1\right)]_+ + C(z) \right\}$$

$$C(z) = \begin{cases} 0 & \overline{\text{MS}} \\ \left[P_{ff}(z) \left(\ln \left(\frac{1-z}{z} \right) - \frac{3}{4} \right) + \frac{9+5z}{4} \right]_{+} & \text{DIS} \end{cases}$$

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QED-improved PDFs



 effect of QED evolution on PDFs through DGLAP equation is small (~ 0.1% for x < 1)

H. Spiesberger, Phys. Rev. **D52** (1995) 4936 M. Roth and S. Weinzierl, Phys. Lett. **B590** (2004) 190 A.D. Martin *et al.*, Eur. Phys. J. **C39** (2005) 155

 dynamic generation of photon parton distribution → photon induced processes enter the game

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Electroweak vs final-state photon corrections



U. Baur, S. Keller, D. Wackeroth, Phys. Rev. D59 (1999) 013002

- electroweak corrections (dashed line) are dominated by final-state photon radiation (solid line) within \sim 1% around the W peak
- final-state photon radiation modifies the shape of the distributions and is important because it contains mass logarithms of the form $\log(\hat{s}/m_{\ell}^2)$

Photon radiation and lepton identification

S. Dittmaier and M. Krämer, Phys. Rev. D65 (2002) 073007



- Lepton identification requirements (and detector effects) strongly affect final-state photon radiation ("the KLN theorem at work")
- Pole approximation agrees with the full calculation within a few 0.1% around the W resonance

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Electroweak Sudakov logs

U. Baur *et al.*, Phys. Rev. **D65** (2002) 033007 U. Baur and D. Wackeroth, Phys. Rev. **D70** (2004) 073015



- Pole approximation fails for $M_T \gg M_W$, due to large Sudakov electroweak logs $\propto (\alpha/\pi) \log^2 (\hat{s}/M_W^2) \rightarrow$ Important for new physics searches!
- Need to resum large Sudakov electroweak logs!

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Les Houches tuned comparisons

- Dittmaier-Krämer: complete O(α) corrections to W, photon induced processes
- HORACE: complete O(α) & multi-photon corrections to W, multi-photon corrections to Z

Carloni Calame, Montagna, Nicrosini, Treccani, Vicini Phys. Rev. **D69** (2004) 037301 and JHEP **05** (2005) 019

• Sanc: complete $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$ corrections to W/Z

Andonov, Arbuzov, Bardin, Bondarenko, Christova, Kalinovskaya, Nanava, Sadykov Eur. Phys. J. **46** (2006) 407

• WGRAD / ZGRAD: complete $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$ corrections to W/Z

Baur, Keller, Wackeroth

Detector modeling and lepton identification

1
$$\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$$
 $p_{\mathrm{T},l} > 25 \text{ GeV}$ $p_{\mathrm{T}} > 25 \text{ GeV}$ $|\eta_l| < 1.2$

2 $R_{l\gamma} = \sqrt{(\eta_l - \eta_\gamma)^2 + \phi_{l\gamma}^2} \le 0.1 \Rightarrow$ electron/photon recombination

Les Houches tuned comparisons

$pp \rightarrow \nu_l \iota^+(+\gamma) \ \ \forall \ \sqrt{s} = 14 \ \text{IeV} \ (\text{with MRSTQED04})$						
$p_{\mathrm{T},l}/\mathrm{GeV}$	25–∞	50-∞	100-∞	200–∞	500−∞	1000-∞
σ_0/pb						
Dĸ	2112.2(1)	13.152(2)	0.9452(1)	0.11511(2)	0.0054816(3)	0.00026212(1)
HORACE	2112.21(4)	13.151(6)	0.9451(1)	0.11511(1)	0.0054812(4)	0.00026211(2)
SANC	2112.22(2)	13.1507(2)	0.94506(1)	0.115106(1)	0.00548132(6)	0.000262108(3)
WGRAD	2112.3(1)	13.149(1)	0.94510(5)	0.115097(5)	0.0054818(2)	0.00026209(2)
$\delta_{e^+\nu_e}/\%$						
Dĸ	-5.19(1)	-8.92(3)	-11.47(2)	-16.01(2)	-26.35(1)	-37.92(1)
HORACE	-5.23(1)	-8.98(1)	-11.49(1)	-16.03(1)	-26.36(1)	-37.92(2)
WGRAD	-5.10(1)	-8.55(5)	-11.32(1)	-15.91(2)	-26.1(1)	-38.2(2)
$\delta_{\mu^+\nu\mu}/\%$						
Dĸ	-2.75(1)	-4.78(3)	-8.19(2)	-12.71(2)	-22.64(1)	-33.54(2)
HORACE	-2.79(1)	-4.84(1)	-8.21(1)	-12.73(1)	-22.65(1)	-33.57(1)
SANC	-2.80(1)	-4.82(2)	-8.17(2)	-12.67(2)	-22.63(2)	-33.50(2)
WGRAD	-2.69(1)	-4.53(1)	-8.12(1)	-12.68(1)	-22.62(2)	-33.6(2)
$\delta_{\rm recomb}/\%$						
Dĸ	-1.73(1)	-2.45(3)	-5.91(2)	-9.99(2)	-18.95(1)	-28.60(1)
HORACE	-1.77(1)	-2.51(1)	-5.94(1)	-10.02(1)	-18.96(1)	-28.65(1)
SANC	-1.89(1)	-2.56(1)	-5.97(1)	-10.02(1)	-18.96(1)	-28.61(1)
WGRAD	-1.71(1)	-2.32(1)	-5.94(1)	-10.11(2)	-19.08(3)	-28.73(6)
$\delta_{\gamma q}/\%$						
Dĸ	+0.071(1)	+5.24(1)	+13.10(1)	+16.44(2)	+14.30(1)	+11.89(1)

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Les Houches tuned comparisons

Perfect agreement between independent calculations!



$M_{\mathrm{T},\nu_l l}/\mathrm{GeV}$	50–∞	100–∞	200–∞	500−∞	1000–∞
$\delta_{\rm rec}/\%$	-1.73(1)	-3.43(2)	-6.52(2)	-12.55(1)	-19.51(1)
$\delta_{\gamma q}/\%$	+0.0567(3)	+0.1347(1)	+0.2546(1)	+0.3333(1)	+0.3267(1)

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Multiple photon corrections

• double bremsstrahlung $q\bar{q}' \rightarrow \ell^{\pm} \nu \gamma \gamma$ and $q\bar{q} \rightarrow \ell^{+} \ell^{-} \gamma \gamma$ corrections to W/Z production

U. Baur and T. Stelzer, Phys. Rev. D61 (2000) 073007

- Higher-order (real+virtual) QED corrections to W/Z production
 - → HORACE (Pavia): QED Parton Shower (+ NLO electroweak to *W* now)

C.M. Carloni Calame *et al.*, Phys. Rev. **D69** (2004) 037301 C.M. Carloni Calame *et al.*, JHEP **05** (2005) 019

 \rightarrow WINHAC (Cracow): YFS exponentiation

S. Jadach and W. Płaczek, Eur. Phys. J. C29 (2003) 325

 Very recent effort to update HERWIG(++) (with SOPHTY, based on YFS exponentiation) and PHOTOS, to improve the treatment of multi-photon radiation

> K. Hamilton and P. Richardson, hep-ph/0603034P. Golonka and Z. Was, Eur. Phys. J. **C45** (2006) 97

C.M. Carloni Calame et al., Acta Phys. Pol. B35 (2004) 1643



• Same effect of multiple photon radiation ~ 0.5% around W peak

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Why higher-order QED is important: W mass



C.M. Carloni Calame et al., Phys. Rev. D69 (2004) 037301

 W-mass shift due to multiphoton radiation is about 10% of that caused by one photon emission → non-negligible for W mass!

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Higher-order QED corrections to Z production: M_T^Z

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Multiple photon corrections to Z production are also needed

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Matching NLO electroweak with QED Parton Shower

C.M. Carloni Calame et al., to appear

NLO (*O*(α)) electroweak cross section

$$d\sigma_{\rm ew}^{\alpha} \equiv d\sigma^{\alpha,ex} \equiv d\sigma_{SV}^{\alpha,ex} + d\sigma_{H}^{\alpha,ex}$$

• $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$ Parton Shower (PS) cross section

 $d\sigma^{\alpha,PS} = [\Pi_S(Q^2)]_{\mathcal{O}(\alpha)} d\sigma_0 + \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} P_{ff}(x) I(k) dx \ dc \ d\hat{\sigma}_0 = \\ \equiv d\sigma^{\alpha,PS}_{SV} + d\sigma^{\alpha,PS}_H$

Resummed PS

$$\begin{aligned} d\sigma_{PS}^{\infty} &= \\ \Pi_{S}(Q^{2}) \ F_{sv} \ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} d\hat{\sigma}_{0} \frac{1}{n!} \prod_{i=0}^{n} \left[\frac{\alpha}{2\pi} P_{ff}(x_{i}) I(k_{i}) dx_{i} dc_{i} \ F_{H,i} \right] \\ \text{where} \ F_{SV} &= 1 + \frac{d\sigma_{SV}^{\alpha,ex} - d\sigma_{SV}^{\alpha,PS}}{d\sigma_{0}} \text{ and } F_{H,i} = 1 + \frac{d\sigma_{H,i}^{\alpha,ex} - d\sigma_{H,i}^{\alpha,PS}}{d\sigma_{H,i}^{\alpha,PS}} \\ &= 1 + \frac{d\sigma_{H,i}^{\alpha,ex} - d\sigma_{H,i}^{\alpha,PS}}{d\sigma_{H,i}^{\alpha,PS}} \\ &= 1 + \frac{d\sigma_{H,i}^{\alpha,ex} - d\sigma_{H,i}^{\alpha,PS}}{d\sigma_{H,i}^{\alpha,PS}} \\ &= 0 \\ \text{Guido Montagna} \quad \text{Monte Carlos for Drell-Yan processes} \end{aligned}$$

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Resummed PS + NLO electroweak

Electroweak + PS corrections to W rapidity: New!

C.M. Carloni Calame et al., to appear

Including detector effects

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 Electroweak (+ QED PS) corrections to W rapidity are of the same order (or larger!) than NNLO QCD and PDFs uncertainty
 → relevant for precise luminosity!

Matching QCD with NLO QED: p_T^{ℓ}

Q.-H. Cao and C.-P. Yuan, Phys. Rev. Lett. 93 (2004) 042001



• QCD resummation and NLO QED differently modify the shape of p_T^{ℓ} and reach $\sim 45\% \rightarrow$ need to merge QCD and EW generators!

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Matching QCD with NLO QED: M_T^W

Q.-H. Cao and C.-P. Yuan, Phys. Rev. Lett. 93 (2004) 042001



QCD resummation (~ +6% at the peak) is compensated by NLO QED (~ −12%) → need to merge QCD and EW generators!!

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HORACE+PYTHIA vs PYTHIA+PHOTOS: New!

HORACE group with G. Polesello



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Conclusions

- Recent big theoretical effort towards high-precision predictions for Drell-Yan processes, including higher-order QCD and electroweak corrections, to keep under control theoretical systematics
- All these calculations are essential ingredients for precision studies at the LHC (and Tevatron RunII as well...)
- It's mandatory to combine electroweak and QCD corrections into a single (unified) Monte Carlo, to cover all the measurements of interest
- None of the existing generators presently includes all the necessary ingredients, but complete generators appear at the horizon...as HORACE+PYTHIA demonstrate
- Precision measurements with 1% accuracy at the LHC are very challenging!

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Backup slides

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HERWIG+SOPHTY vs WINHAC

K. Hamilton and P. Richardson, hep-ph/0603034



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C.M. Carloni Calame et al., Acta Phys. Pol. B35 (2004) 1643



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HORACE vs WINHAC: W rapidity

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Higher-order QED corrections to Z production: $M_{\ell\ell}$

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 Multiple photon corrections to Z production are also needed, because important W systematics are strongly related to Z parameters extraction and statistics

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NLO QED corrections to Z rapidity at some per cent level

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Systematic uncertainties on M_W (MeV/c²)

CDF collaboration, Phys. Rev. D64 (2001) 052001

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Source of uncertainty	$W \rightarrow e \nu$	$W \rightarrow \mu \nu$	common
Lepton scale	75	85	
Lepton resolution	25	20	
PDFs	15	15	15
P_T^W	15	20	3
Recoil	37	35	
Higher order QED	20	10	5
Trigger & Lepton ID bias	_	15⊕10	
Backgrounds	5	25	
Total	92	103	16

 $M_T^W ~ \mathrm{vs} ~ p_T^\ell$

From DØ paper

$$M_T^W = \sqrt{2p_\perp^\ell p_\perp^\nu (1 - \cos \phi_{\ell\nu})}$$



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The Parton Shower algorithm

• the PS is a MC solution of the QED DGLAP equation

$$Q^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial Q^2} D(x, Q^2) = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \int_x^1 \frac{dt}{t} P_+(t) D(\frac{x}{t}, Q^2)$$

• the solution can be cast in the form $D(x,Q^2) = \prod_S(Q^2) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int \frac{\delta(x-x_1\cdots x_n)}{n!} \prod_{i=0}^n \left[\frac{\alpha}{2\pi} P(x_i) L \, dx_i \right]$

• $\Pi_S(Q^2) \equiv e^{-\frac{\alpha}{2\pi}LI_+}$ is the Sudakov form factor, $I_+ \equiv \int_0^{1-\epsilon} P(x) dx$, $L \equiv \log \frac{Q^2}{m^2}$ and ϵ soft/hard separator

- the PS MC algorithm reproduces this solution
- at NLO, the resulting cross section has a leading log accuracy

Fitting the W mass

 χ^2 fits to Monte Carlo pseudo-data for the M_T^W spectrum with

• $\sqrt{s} = 2 \text{ TeV} \quad p_T(\ell) > 25 \text{ GeV} \quad |\eta(\ell)| < 1.2 \quad p_T > 25 \text{ GeV}$

- lepton identification requirements based on Tevatron analyses (e.g., if $\Delta R_{e\gamma} = \sqrt{\Delta \eta^2 + \Delta \phi^2} < 0.2$, *e* and γ momenta are recombined)
- particles' momenta are smeared according to RunII DØ detector specifications



Lepton identification and detector effects

Table 1: Summary of lepton identification requirements.

electrons	muons
combine e and γ momentum four vectors if	reject events with $E_{\gamma} > 2 \text{ GeV}$
$\Delta R(e,\gamma) < 0.1$	for $\Delta R(\mu, \gamma) < 0.1$
reject events with $E_{\gamma} > 0.1 E_e$	reject events with $E_{\gamma} > 0.1 \ E_{\mu}$
for $0.1 < \Delta R(e, \gamma) < 0.4$	for $0.1 < \Delta R(\mu, \gamma) < 0.4$

Tevatron and LHC

at the Tevatron, and the ATLAS and CMS detectors at the LHC. Uncertainties in the energy measurements of the charged leptons in the detector are simulated in the calculation by Gaussian smearing of the particle four-momentum vector with standard deviation σ which depends on the particle type and the detector. The numerical results presented here were calculated using σ values based on the DØ (or CDF) and ATLAS (or CMS) specifications.

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