# News in jet algorithms: SISCone and anti- $k_{t}$ 

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Aim: Study hard processes

- QCD backgrounds, top quark physics
- Higgs, physics beyond the standard model

Define jets: parton $\leftrightarrow$ jet

But: partons are ambiguous

Hence: Multiple definitions of a "jet"


## Two classes of algorithms

Class 1: recombination
Successive recombinations of the "closest" pair of particle


- Distance:

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\begin{aligned}
\underline{k_{t}}: & d_{i, j}=\min \left(k_{t, i}^{2}, k_{t, j}^{2}\right)\left(\Delta \phi_{i, j}^{2}+\Delta y_{i, j}^{2}\right) \\
\underline{\text { Aachen/Cam.: }} & d_{i, j}=\Delta \phi_{i, j}^{2}+\Delta y_{i, j}^{2}
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- stop when $d_{\text {min }}>R$

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- Seeded/Iterative approaches:
- seed = initial particle
- seed = midpoint between stable cones found at first step
- One has to deal with overlapping stable cones: 2 subclasses

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Class 2(b): cone with progressive removal

- iterate from the hardest seed
- remove the stable cone as a jet and start again

ex.: Seeded Cone

SNOWMASS, Tevatron 1990 (i.e. old!):
Any jet algorithm must satisfy

1. Can be practically used in experimental analysis
2. Can be practically used in theoretical computations
3. Can be defined at any order of the perturbation theory
4. Yields finite cross-sections at any order
5. Has a small sensitivity to hadronisation corrections
i.e. usable by theoreticians (e.g. finite perturbative results) and experimentalists (e.g. fast enough)

This talk:

- Iterative cone algorithms miss stable cones $\Rightarrow$ theoretical problems
- That can be solved keeping experimental usefulness


## QCD divergences

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For QCD expansion to make sense
$\Rightarrow$ The (hard) jets (or stable cones) should not change when

- one has a collinear splitting
i.e. replaces one parton by two at the same place
- one has a soft emission i.e. adds a very soft gluon


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$\Rightarrow$ definitely unrealistic: $10^{17}$ years for $N=100$
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$\longrightarrow$ C++ implementation: Seedless Infrared-Safe Cone algorithm (SISCone)
G.Salam, G.S., JHEP 04 (2007) 086; http://projects.hepforge.org/siscone

NB.: also available from FastJet
[M.Cacciari, G.Salam, G.S.]; http://www.lpthe.jussieu.fr/~salam/fastjet

Execution timings


- at least as fast as midpoint cones
- effect from a few percents (incl.) to $\sim 45 \%$ (excl.)

Inclusive (midpoint/SISCone-1)


Masses in 3-jet events


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- Before collinear spliting: 1 jet
- After collinear spliting: 2 jets
$\longrightarrow$ collinear unsafety of the iterative cone algorithm

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Why should that be related to the iterative cone ?!?

- "large $k_{t} \Rightarrow$ small distance"
i.e. hard partons "eat" everything up to a distance $R$
i.e. circular/regular jets, jet borders unmodified by soft radiation
- infrared and collinear safe


## Hard event + homogeneous soft background



anti- $k_{t}$ is soft-resilient
more in Matteo Cacciari's talk...

## Conclusions

- Midpoint and the iterative cone IR or Collinear unsafe (at $\mathcal{O}\left(\alpha_{s}^{4}\right)$ )

| Observable | 1st miss cones at | Last meaningful order |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Inclusive jet cross section | NNLO | NLO |
| 3 jet cross section | NLO | LO (NLO in NLOJet) |
| $W / Z / H+2$ jet cross sect. | NLO | LO (NLO in MCFM) |
| jet masses in 3 jets | LO | none (LO in NLOJet) |

- The IR-unsafety issue will matter at LHC
+ We do not want the theoretical efforts to be wasted
- SISCone is a natural replacement for Midpoint (as fast, IRC safe)
- anti- $k_{t}$ could replace the iterative cone (regular, IRC safe)
- Available from FastJet (http://www.lpthe.jussieu.fr/~salam/fastjet) SISCone: http://projects.hepforge.org/siscone
- Algorithms at play: see Juan Rojo's talk

