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Matrix Elements (E.g., AlpGen/MadGraph + Herwig/Pythia) W+jets



NJets: dominated by ME (+Sudakov from PS) Jet Shapes: dominated by PS



#### **Multi-scale problems** 0.005 W + 3 jets (100, 200, 300) $- \alpha_s^3$ E.g., in context of ME 0.004 pT1 = 100matching with many legs pT2 = 2000.003 pT3 = 3000.002 Example: W+3 0.001 0.01 W + 3 jets (20, 30, 60) 0.008 Ratio 1.5 pT1 = 20pT2 = 300.006 pT3 = 60**Central Choice** 0.004 0.003 W'<sub>800</sub>+3 jets (100, 200, 300) 0.002 0.0025 mW = 800pT1 = 1000.002 2 pT2 = 200Batio 0.0015 pT3 = 3000.001 0.5 Central Choice 0.0005 1: MW 2: MW + Sum(IpTI) 3: -"- (quadratically) Ratio 1.5 4: Geometric mean pT (~PS) 5: Arithmetic mean pT 0.5 5

**Central Choice**