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Exercise 8

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Event Generation with Herwig7

Herwig is a multi-purpose particle physics event generator. It is composed of many modules, which have been developed over many years by various authors. In the current version it is written in C++. Many efforts have been done to improve and develop the description of particle collisions, which involve heavy theoretical and phenomenological research of perturbative and non-perturbative Quantum Field Theory (QFT) and empirical models. One of the reasearch groups of HERWIG 7 lead by Stefan Gieseke is based here at the KIT.

Multi-purpose (or general-purpose) event generators like HERWIG 7¹ can be used to generate events of a variety of colliding particles using various types of Monte-Carlo (MC) algorithms in several stages. These are based on perturbative and non-perturbative QFTs or motivated by empirical models, which aim to describe observed phenomena and characteristic properties of high energy collisions. This exercise is built with the notion to give you a feeling for the necessary generation steps, in our case implemented in HERWIG 7, to achieve a good prediction for measureable data, without the necessity to understand all technical and theoretical details.

Open the jupytermachine for the exercises and start a Herwig server. Once loaded, update your local copy of the tp1_forstudents repository and work through the Jupyter Notebook inside the Exercise08 folder.

¹Other multi-purpose generators are PYTHIA or SHERPA, which provide similar functionalities, but involve in many cases slightly different models.