

Herwig_i: An interface between HERWIG/JIMMY and Athena

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This package runs HERWIG, with optional underlying event simulation from JIMMY, from within Athena, puts the events into the transient store in HepMC format. See the GeneratorModules documentation for general information. The note refers only to HERWIG specific material. The External/Herwig package is used to set up the paths to the HERWIG library. The current HERWIG version is 6.510, and the current JIMMY version is 4.31.

Note that all parameters passed to HERWIG are in the units specified in the HERWIG manual. In particular, energies and masses are in GeV, not the standard atlas units of MeV.

The module is activated from the jobOptions service. See the example in

```
Generators/Herwig\_i/share/jobOptions.herwig.py
```

which leaves JIMMY turned off, and

```
Generators/Herwig\_i/share/jobOptions.jimmy.py
```

for an example to run with it on. Note that it is recommended to turn JIMMY on and leave the internal HERWIG soft underlying event turned off, if you want to get a more realistic underlying event.

The HERWIG parameters are set from the job options service. The following is needed if you wish to run HERWIG

```
theApp.DLLs += [ "Herwig_i" ]  
theApp.TopAlg = ["Herwig"]
```

The parameters are passed via the following line in the jobOptions.py file.

```
Herwig.HerwigCommand = ["variable index value"]
```

Here **variable** is a valid HERWIG variable. Consult the HERWIG documentation for the variable names and what they do. If the **variable** is an array, **index** specifies the entry to be changed. **value** is the value of the variable. For example

```
Herwig.HerwigCommand = ["iproc 1499","modpdf 10042", "autpdf HWLHAPDF"]
```

produces W bosons using the CTEQ structure functions. **note that all variable names are lower case, parameter values are case sensitive (CTEQ in this example).**

```
Herwig.HerwigCommand = ["iproc 2150","modpdf 10042", "autpdf HWLHAPD  
", "ptmin 100.", "ptmax 200.", "emmin 80.", "emmax 100."]  
AtRndmGenSvc.Seeds = ["HERWIG 390020611 821000366", "HERWIG_INIT  
820021 2347532"]
```

produces $Z + jet$ events and resets the random number seeds. Note that the random number seeds are set by the Athena random number service. All variables that are marked as settable by users in the HERWIG Manual can be changed. Please report any bugs.

Note on using JIMMY for the underlying event

JIMMY is developed as a plug-and-play add-on of HERWIG. It is turned on by setting the variable `msflag = 1`. The following, JIMMY specific, variables may also be set: `jmbug`, `ptjim`, and `jmueo` which are documented on the external JIMMY package documentation page:

<http://projects.hepforge.org/jimmy/> .

Note regarding SUSY

For simulation of a SUSY process, ISAWIG must first be run to generate an input file. ISAWIG is a standalone program [1]. The name of this file is then passed with

```
Herwig.HerwigCommand=["susyfile myfile"]
```

where `myfile` is the name of your input file.

Interface to TAUOLA and PHOTOS

HERWIG is interfaced to TAUOLA and PHOTOS in a different way than the other Generator Modules (Pythia, etc). To activate TAUOLA and PHOTOS in HERWIG you simply need to add in your `jobOptions` file

```
Herwig.HerwigCommand += ["taudec TAUOLA"]
```

For more information on how HERWIG works with TAUOLA, please refer to the HERWIG manual.

Random Numbers

`Herwig_i/Herwig.cxx` is using the `AtRndmGenSvc` Athena Service to provide to HERWIG (via the `hwrgen` function, found in `Herwig_i/src/hwrgen.F`) the necessary random numbers. This service is using the `RanecuEngine` of CLHEP, and is based on the “stream” logic, each stream being able to provide an independent sequence of random numbers. `Herwig.cxx` is using two streams: `HERWIG_INIT` and `HERWIG`. The first stream is used to provide random numbers for the initialization phase of HERWIG and the second one for the event generation. The user can set the initial seeds of each stream via the following option in the `jobOption` file.

```
AtRndmGenSvc.Seeds = [‘‘HERWIG_INIT 2345533 9922199’’, ‘‘HERWIG 5498921 659091’’]
```

The above sets the seeds of the `HERWIG_INIT` stream to 2345533 and 9922199 and of the `HERWIG` one to 5498921 and 659091. If the user will not set the seeds of a stream then the `AtRndmGenSvc` will use default values.

The seeds of the Random number service are saved for each event in the HepMC Event record and they are printed on screen by `DumpMC`. In this way an event can be reproduced easily. The user has to rerun the job by simply setting the seeds of the `HERWIG` stream (the seeds of the `HERWIG_INIT` stream should stay the same) to the seeds of that event.

Additionally the `AtRndmGenSvc` is dumping into a file (`AtRndmGenSvc.out`) the seeds of all the streams at the end of the job. This file can be read back by the service if the user set the option `AtRndmGenSvc.ReadFromFile = true`; (default = false). In this case the file `AtRndmGenSvc.out` is read and the streams saved in this file are created with seeds as in this file. The name of the file to be read can be set by the user via the option `AtRndmGenSvc.FileToRead = MyFileName`; The above file should also be written out when a job crashes. The above options are contained in `Herwig_i/share/jobOptions.herwig.py`.

Note on hadronizing parton level generated events from Les Houches Type generators

This is supported by Herwig, as explained in Chapter 9.1 of the 6.5 Herwig manual). External processes usually read a file containing events. At present several externals are available, AcerMC, Alpgen, McAtNlo, MadCUP, MadGraph, GR@PPA, and Charybdis. To find out how to run these external processes please refer to the documentation of these generators.

Note on LHAPDF structure functions

In the case you want to run HERWIG with the LHAPDF structure functions you need to set the `autpdf` variable to `HWLHAPDF` and the `modpdf` one to the LHAPDF set/member index (see the documentation of the `Generators/Lhapdf.i` package for the LHAPDF set/member index settings).

References

- [1] <http://www-thphys.physics.ox.ac.uk/users/PeterRichardson/HERWIG/isawig.html>