

# Detecting Spins at the LHC

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Alan Barr

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Goto, Kawagoe & Nojiri

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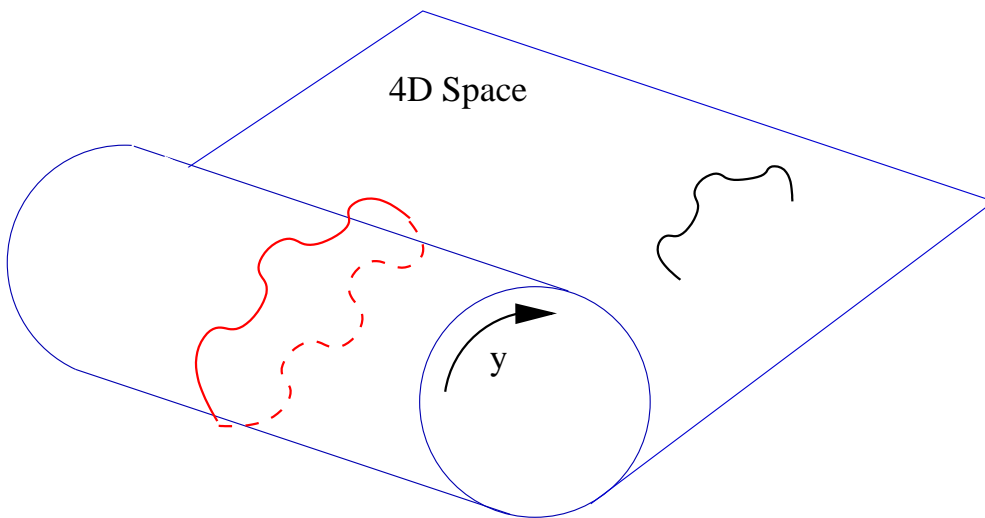
# Outline

- ▶ Introduction to **U**niversal **E**xtra **D**imensions
- ▶ Experimental Signatures of **UED** and the **MSSM**
- ▶ Extracting Spin Information
- ▶ Issues with Detection
- ▶ Final Result

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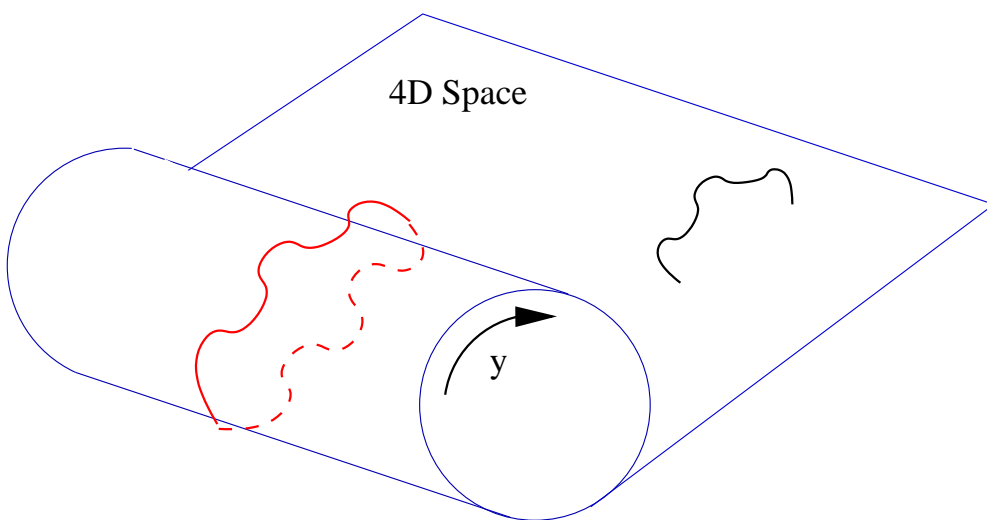


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- Momentum Conservation in the 5<sup>th</sup> dimension leads to conservation of **KK mode number** at each vertex.

$$e^{ip \cdot y} = e^{ip \cdot (y + 2\pi R)} \Rightarrow p = n$$

for a free particle.



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- Level 1 excitation still produced in pairs, so lightest Level 1 mode is stable.

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$$q = u, d, c, s, t, b; \quad l = e, \mu, \tau; \quad \nu = \nu_e, \nu_\mu, \nu_\tau$$

Each fermion has **2** corresponding towers (cf. [MSSM](#)).

$f_n^\bullet \leftrightarrow SU(2)$  doublet (left-handed) field

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They have no definite chirality themselves.

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At Level 1 and higher the  $\gamma_n^{*\mu}$  and  $Z_n^{*\mu}$  are almost pure excitations of the  $U(1)$   $B^\mu$  field and  $SU(2)$   $A_3^\mu$  field - the **mixing angle** is very small.

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At tree level the masses are given by  $m_n = \sqrt{\frac{n^2}{R^2} + m_{\text{SM}}^2}$ .

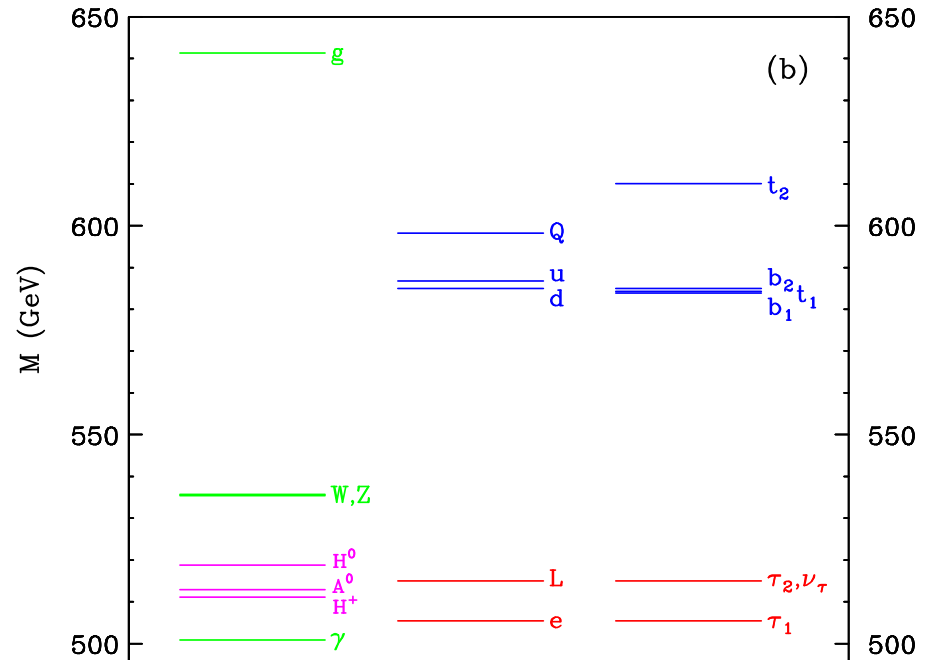
# A Typical Mass Spectrum

Here is the mass spectrum calculated by **Cheng, Matchev & Schmaltz** with

$$R^{-1} = 500 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\Lambda R = 20$$

$$m_h = 120 \text{ GeV}.$$



[Phys. Rev. D 66 (2002) 036005]

Note the Lightest Kaluza-Klein particle is the Level 1 photon  $\gamma_1^{*\mu}$  — consistent with a dark matter candidate as it is uncharged.



# Current Experimental Limits

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A good dark matter candidate is the

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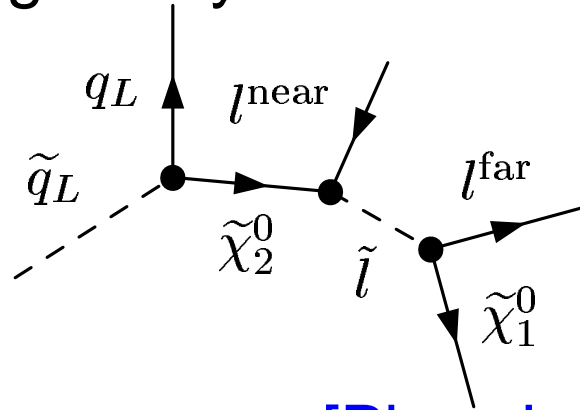
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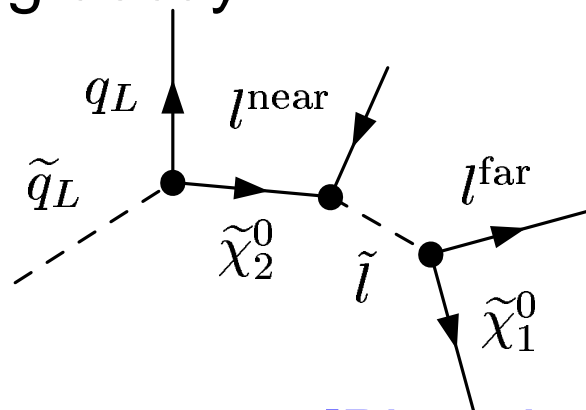
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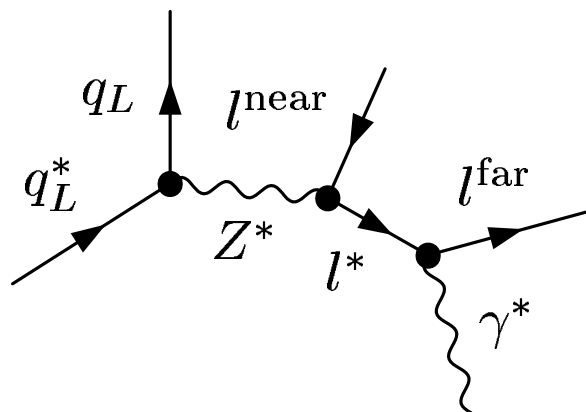
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UED masses

$\gamma^*$	$Z^*$	$q_L^*$	$l_R^*$	$l_L^*$
501	536	598	505	515

and one typical of an MSSM scenario:

SPS1\_a masses

$\tilde{\chi}_1^0$	$\tilde{\chi}_2^0$	$\tilde{u}_L$	$\tilde{e}_R$	$\tilde{e}_L$
96	177	537	143	202

All masses in GeV.

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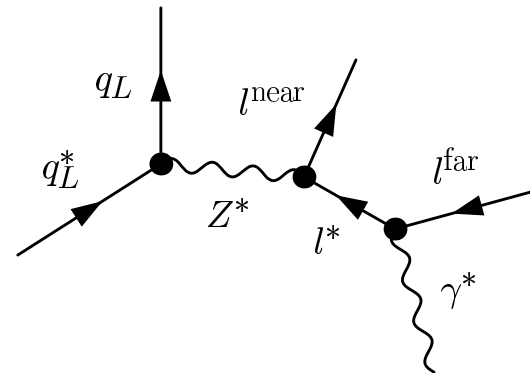
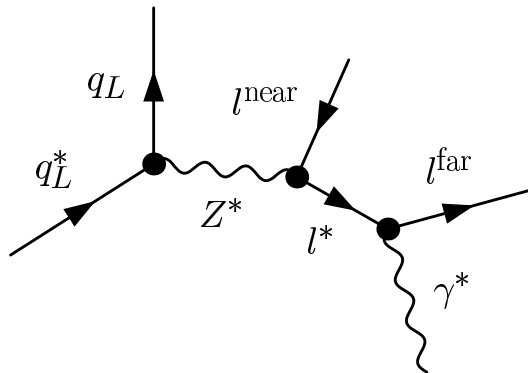
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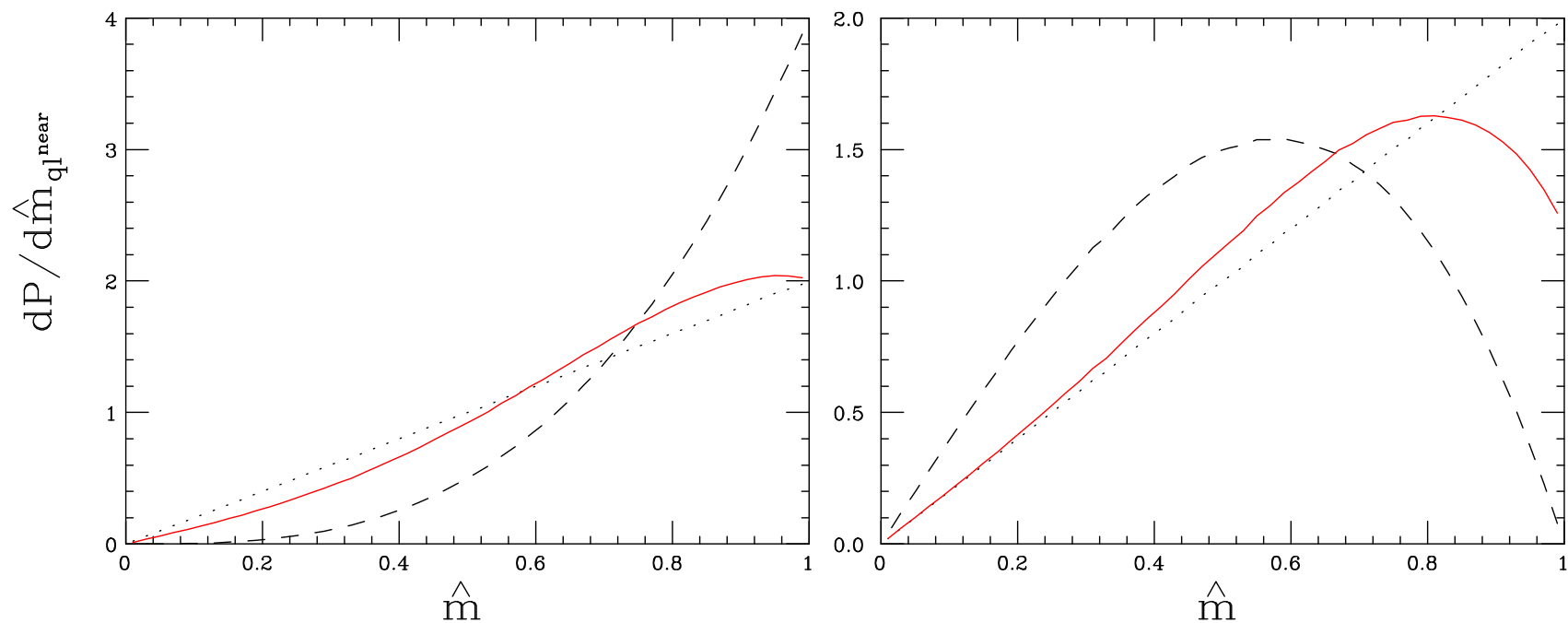
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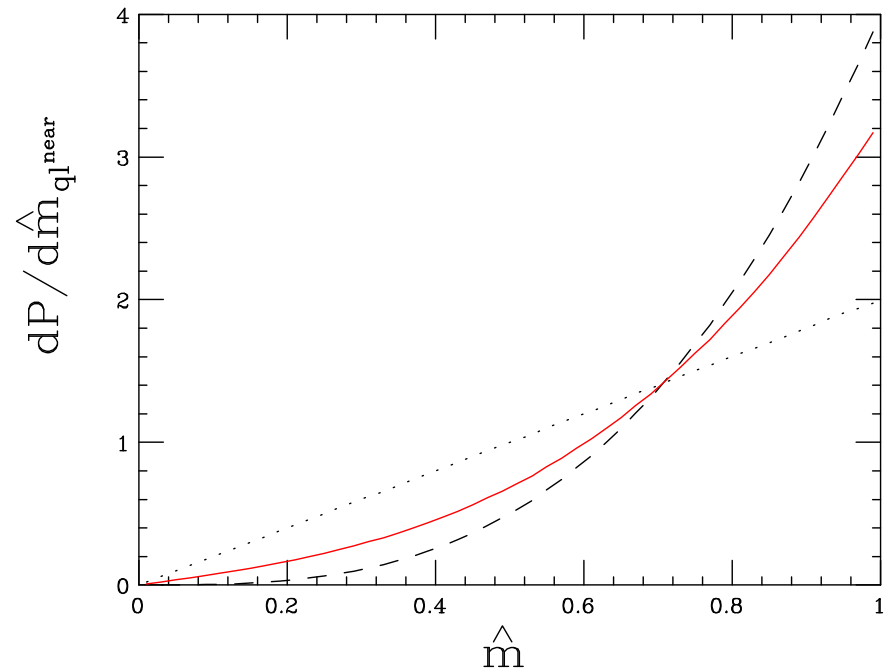
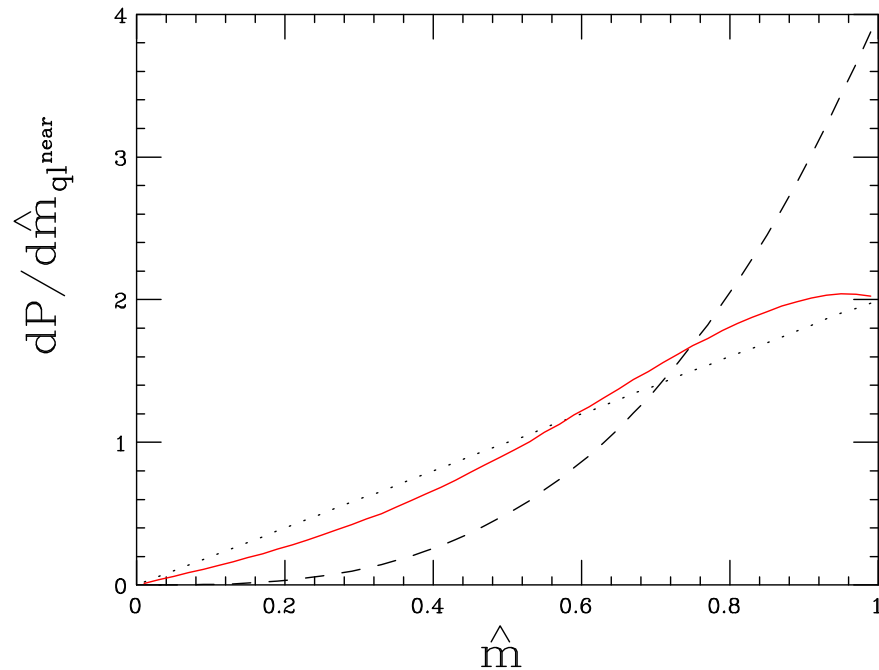


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However, the UED curves are mass-dependent. Here are the distributions for  $l^{\text{near}} = l^+$  for a **SUSY** mass spectrum again, and a **UED** mass spectrum.



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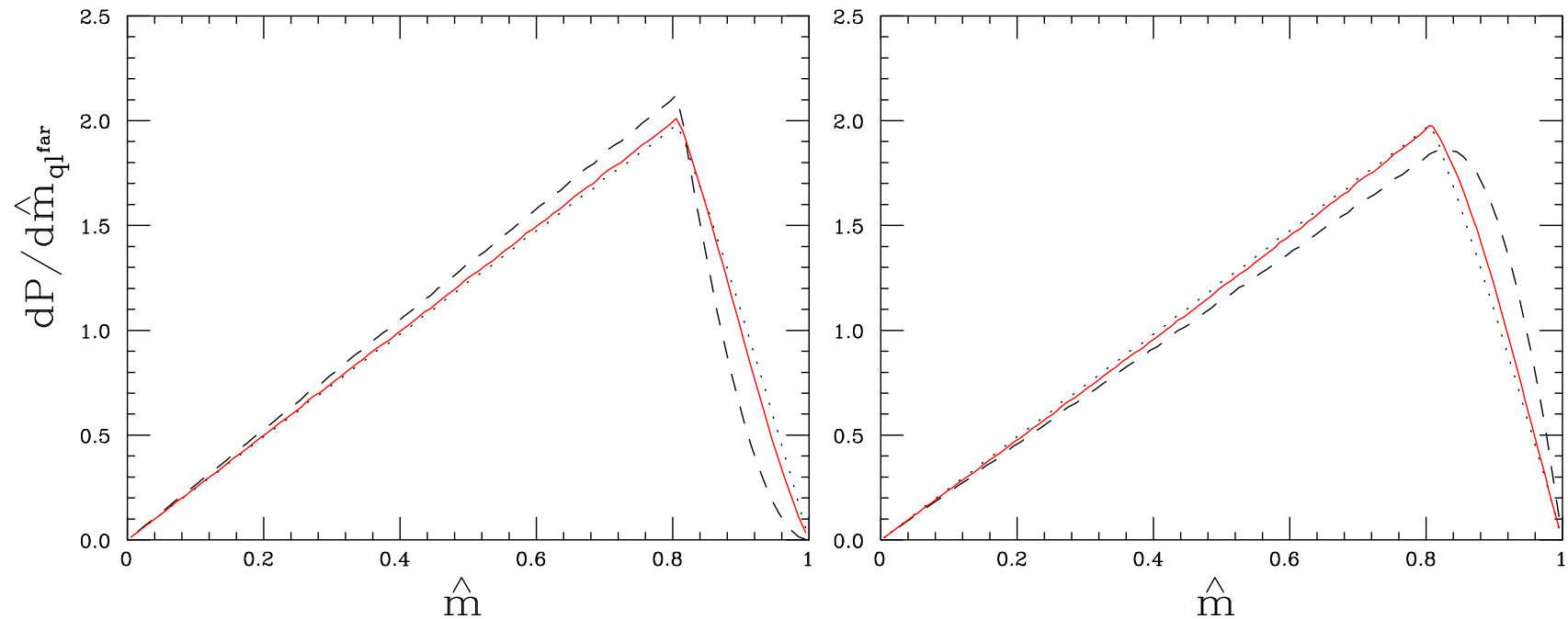
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In the previous plots,

	x	y
SPS1_a	0.11	0.65
UED	0.80	0.92

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We can repeat the same thing for invariant mass of the **quark** and the **far lepton**. For the SPS1\_a SUSY mass spectrum we get

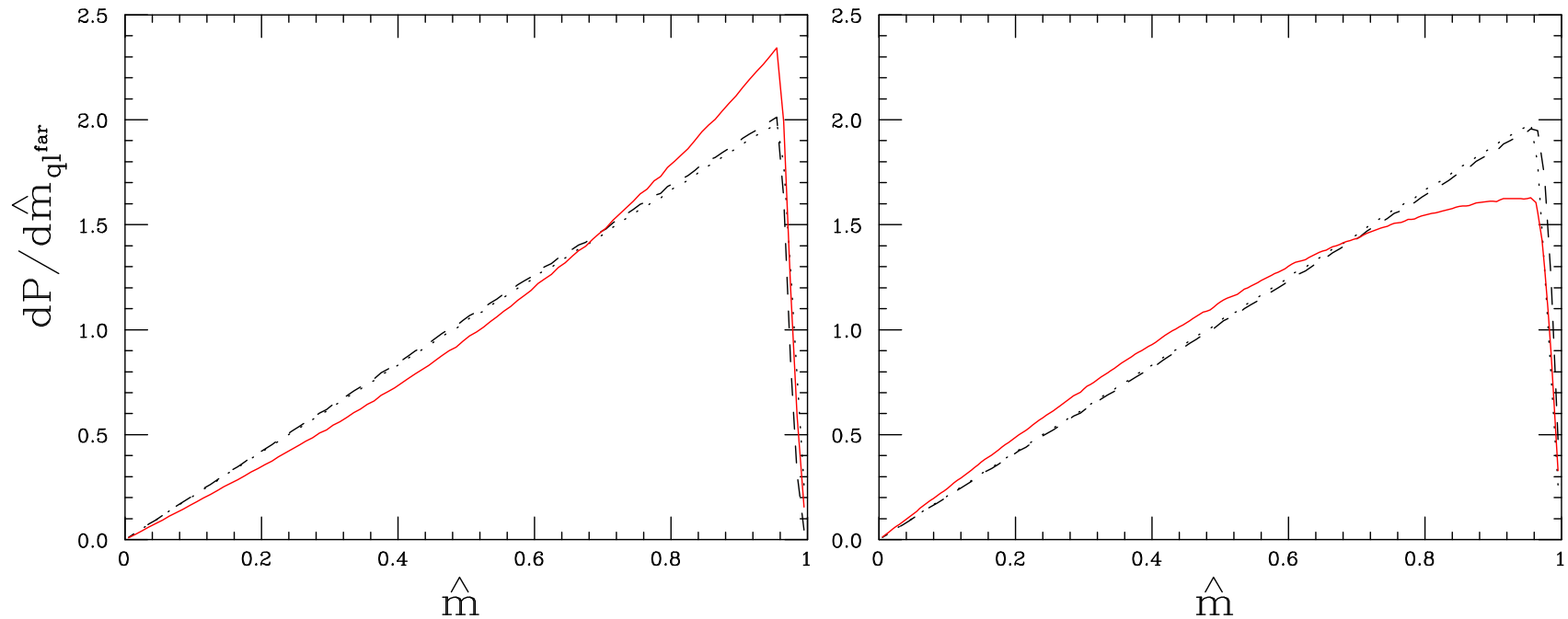


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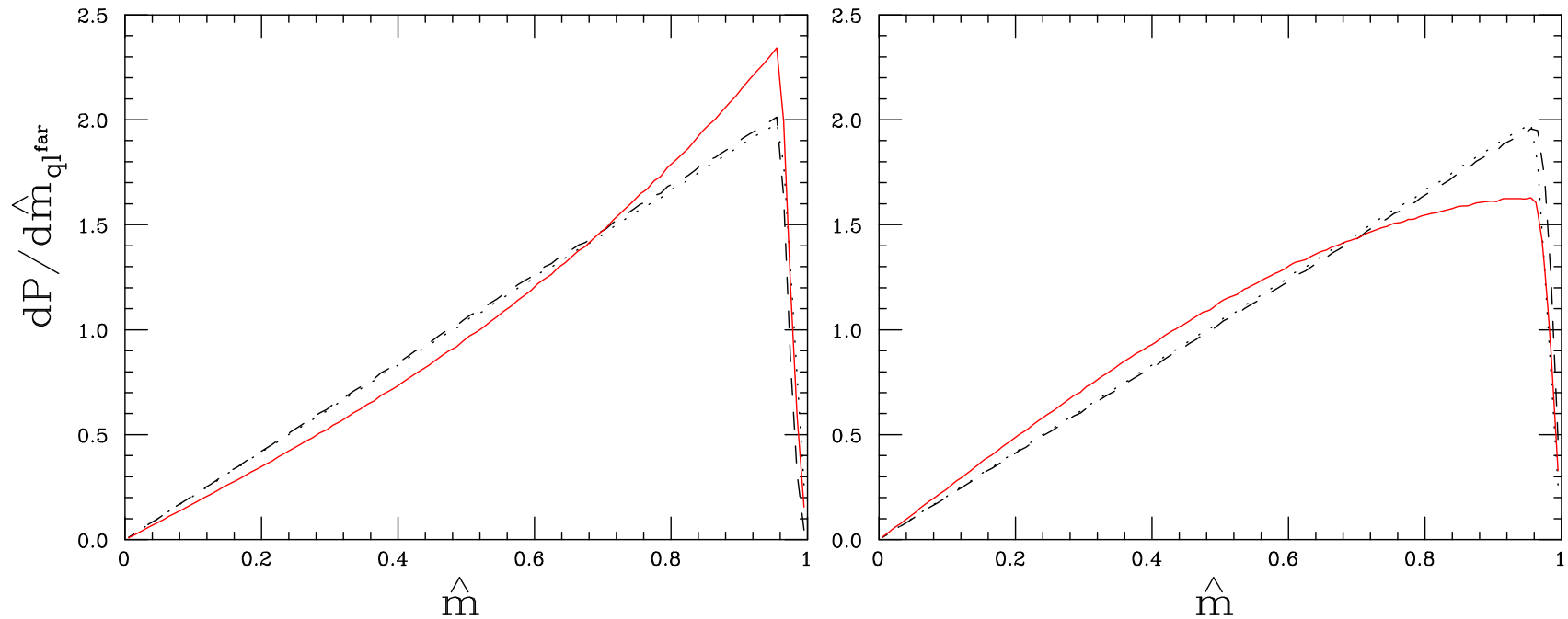


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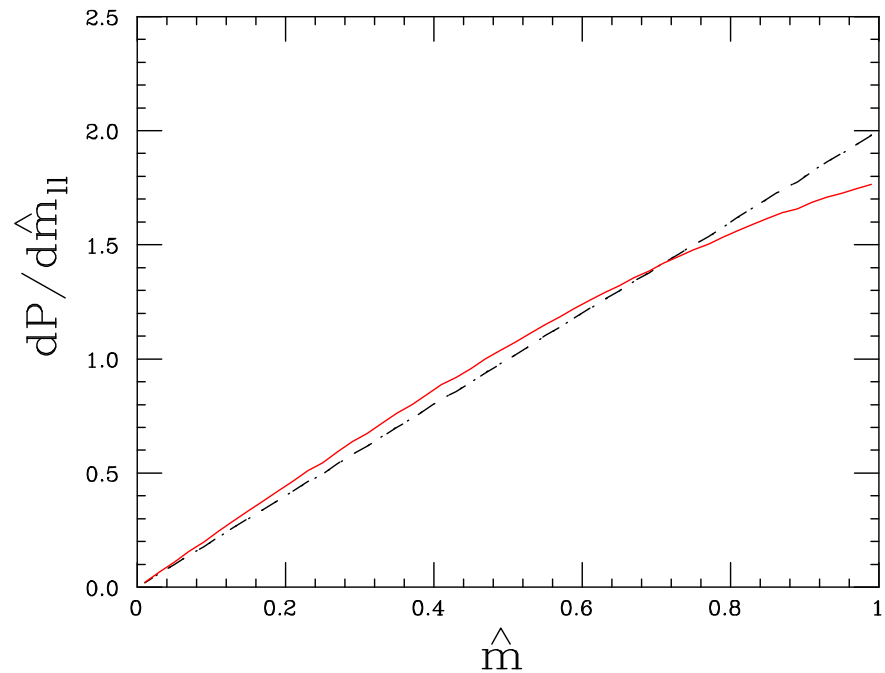
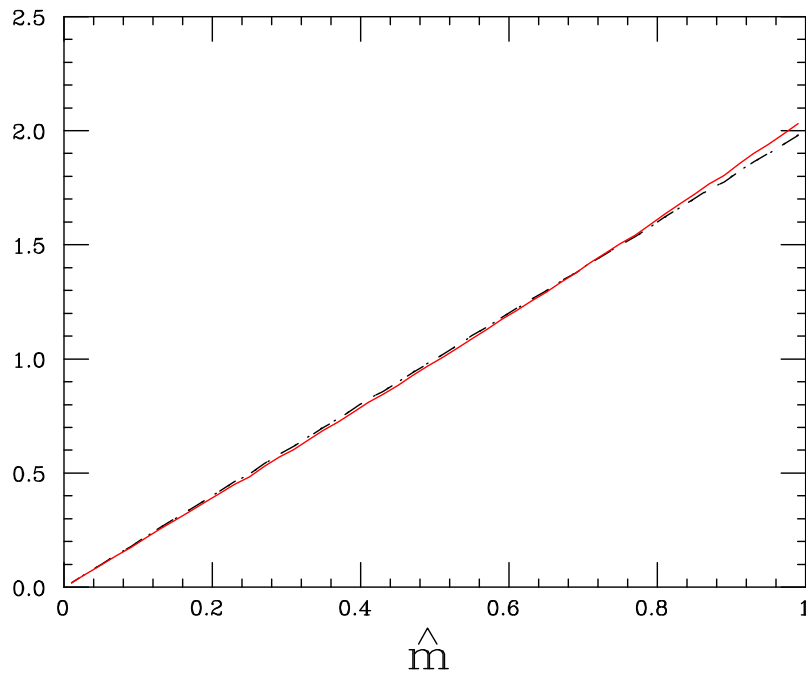
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These have a small effect, but not as small as...

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  - Left and Right-Handed leptons give opposite distributions.

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$$\text{Process 2 : } \{q, l^{\text{near}}, l^{\text{far}}\} = \{q_L, l_L^+, l_L^-\}, \{\bar{q}_L, l_L^-, l_L^+\}, \\ \{q_L, l_R^-, l_R^+\}, \{\bar{q}_L, l_R^+, l_R^-\};$$

in Barr's notation

# $jl^\pm$

In reality, we can only hope to measure jet and lepton combinations.

These are given by:

$$\frac{dP}{dm_{jl^+}} = f_q \left( \frac{dP_2}{dm_{ql}^{\text{near}}} + \frac{dP_1}{dm_{ql}^{\text{far}}} \right) + f_{\bar{q}} \left( \frac{dP_1}{dm_{ql}^{\text{near}}} + \frac{dP_2}{dm_{ql}^{\text{far}}} \right)$$

for  $jl^+$ , and

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We added these into **HERWIG** to calculate (in pb):

Masses	Model	$\sigma_{\text{all}}$	$\sigma_{q^*}$	$\sigma_{\bar{q}^*}$	$f_q$
UED	UED	252	163	83	0.66
UED	SUSY	28	18	9	0.65
SPS 1a	UED	487	239	103	0.70
SPS 1a	SUSY	55	26	11	0.70

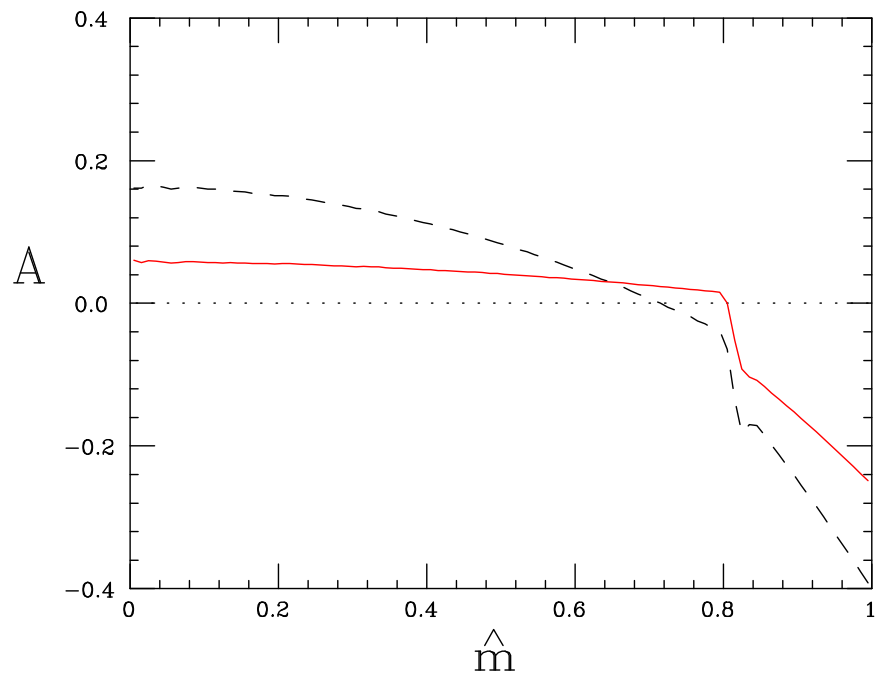
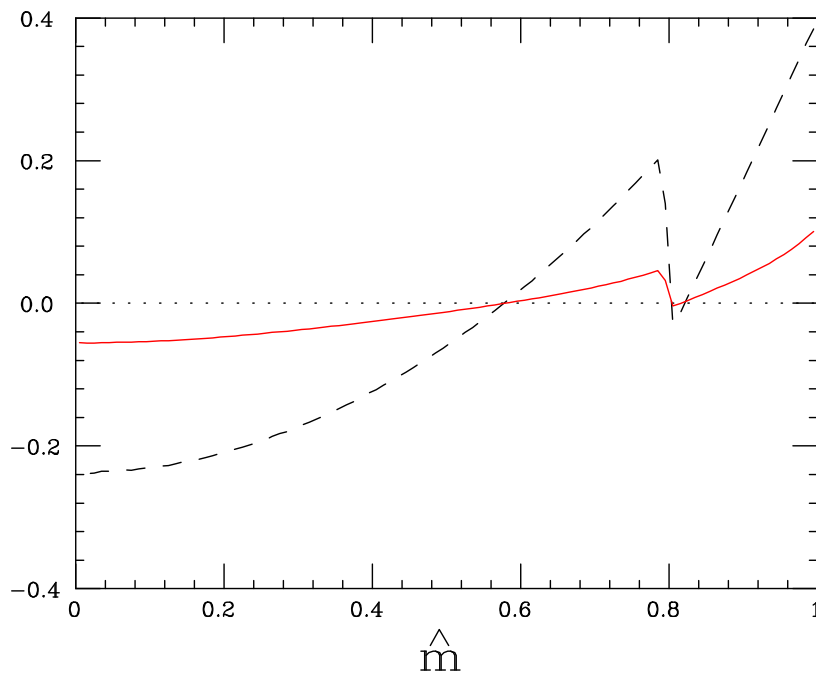
**SUSY** processes from existing routines in **HERWIG**.

# Theoretical Result

Using these values and not distinguishing  $l^{\text{near}}$  and  $l^{\text{far}}$ , we get the following distributions for

$$A = \frac{dP/dm_{jl^+} - dP/dm_{jl^-}}{dP/dm_{jl^+} + dP/dm_{jl^-}}$$

for the SPS1\_a and UED mass spectra.



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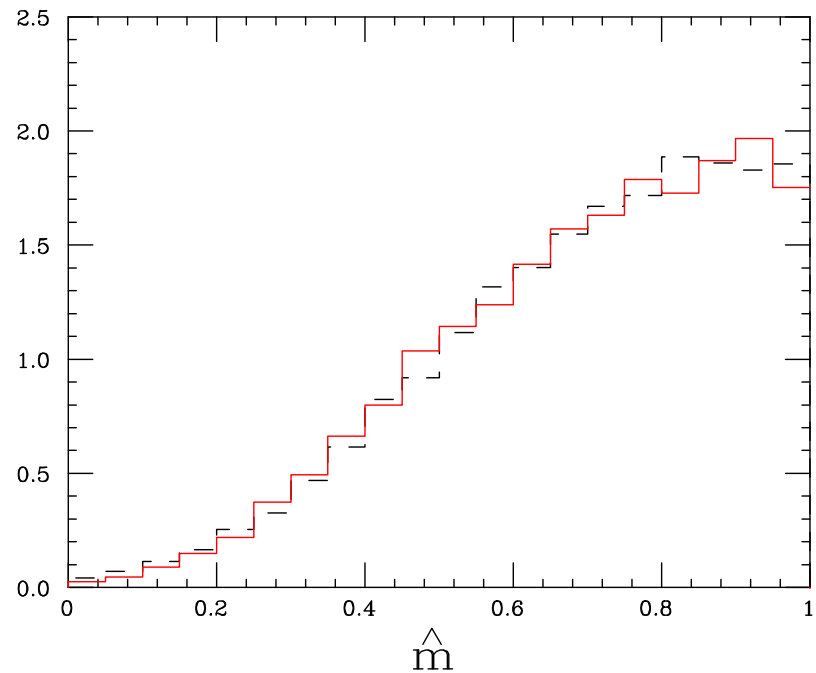
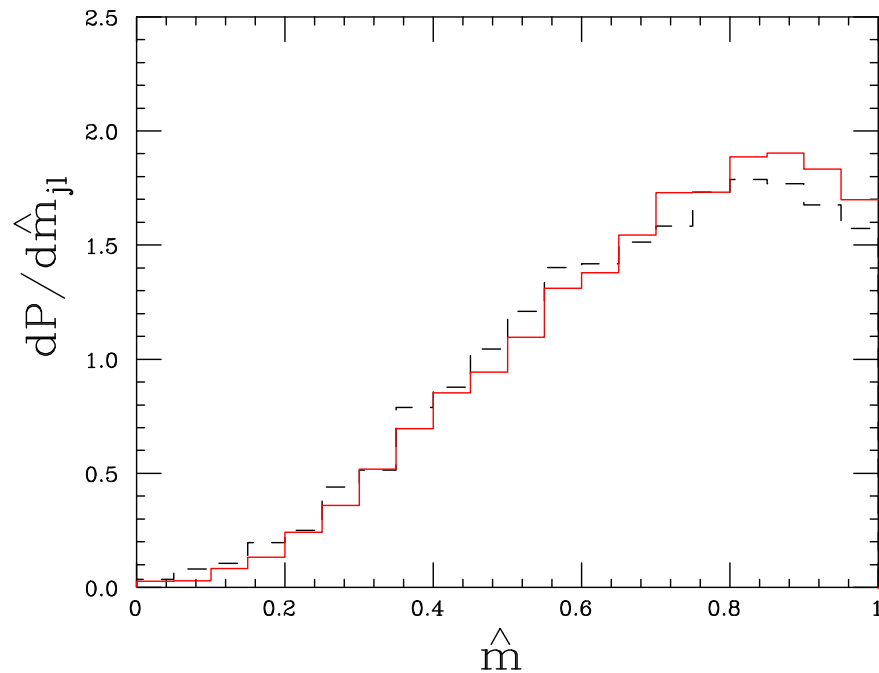
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But, with the masses determined, these ambiguities in the chain reconstruction should be resolved by invt mass fits.



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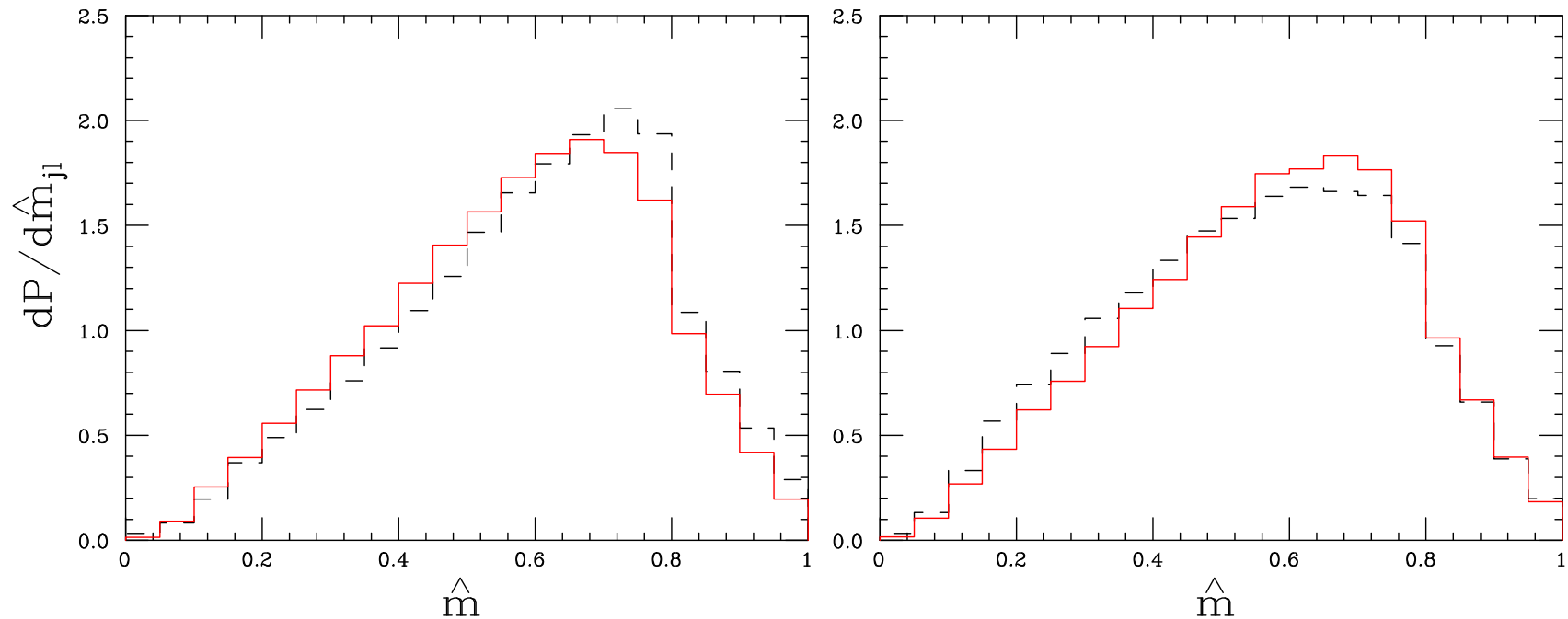


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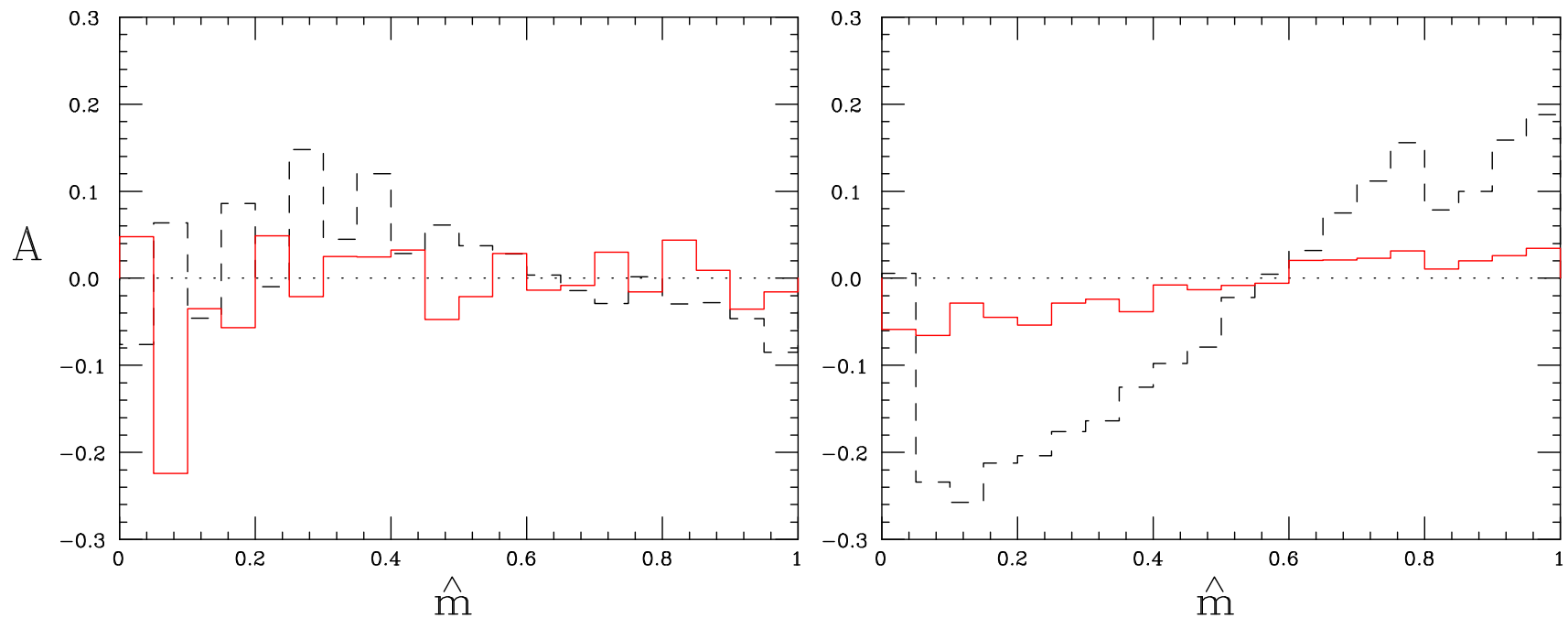


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# Detector Simulation

These give the following detector-level charge asymmetries, for **UED** and **SPS1\_a** mass spectra:



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In particular,
  - calculated analytical expressions for the two-particle invariant mass distributions valid for any particle masses
  - presented graphical results for two mass scenarios: one UED-like, one SUSY-like.

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- Such degeneracy is less likely in a SUSY-like spectrum, and the prospect of distinguishing spin scenarios is much greater.
- We also rederived production cross sections for KK-partons in a UED model, and found them about 8 times larger than the corresponding sparton production.