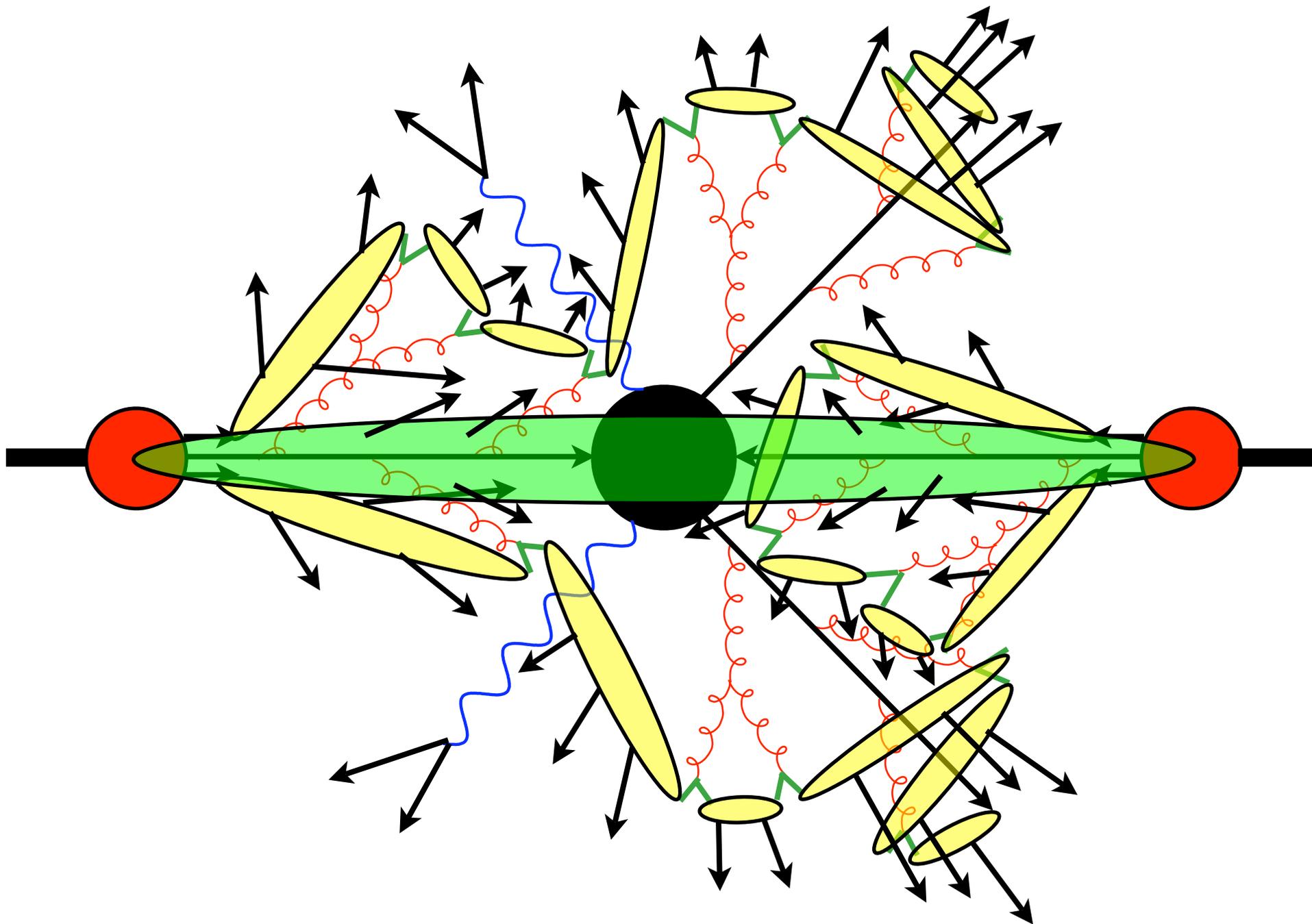


# MC Theory Overview

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MC4BSM-3, CERN 10-11 March 2008

- General-purpose event generators
  - ❖ Issues
  - ❖ Survey
- Improving precision & modelling
  - ❖ Matching ME & PS
  - ❖ UE & intrinsic  $p_t$
  - ❖ PDFs for MC
- Conclusions?

# LHC Event Simulation

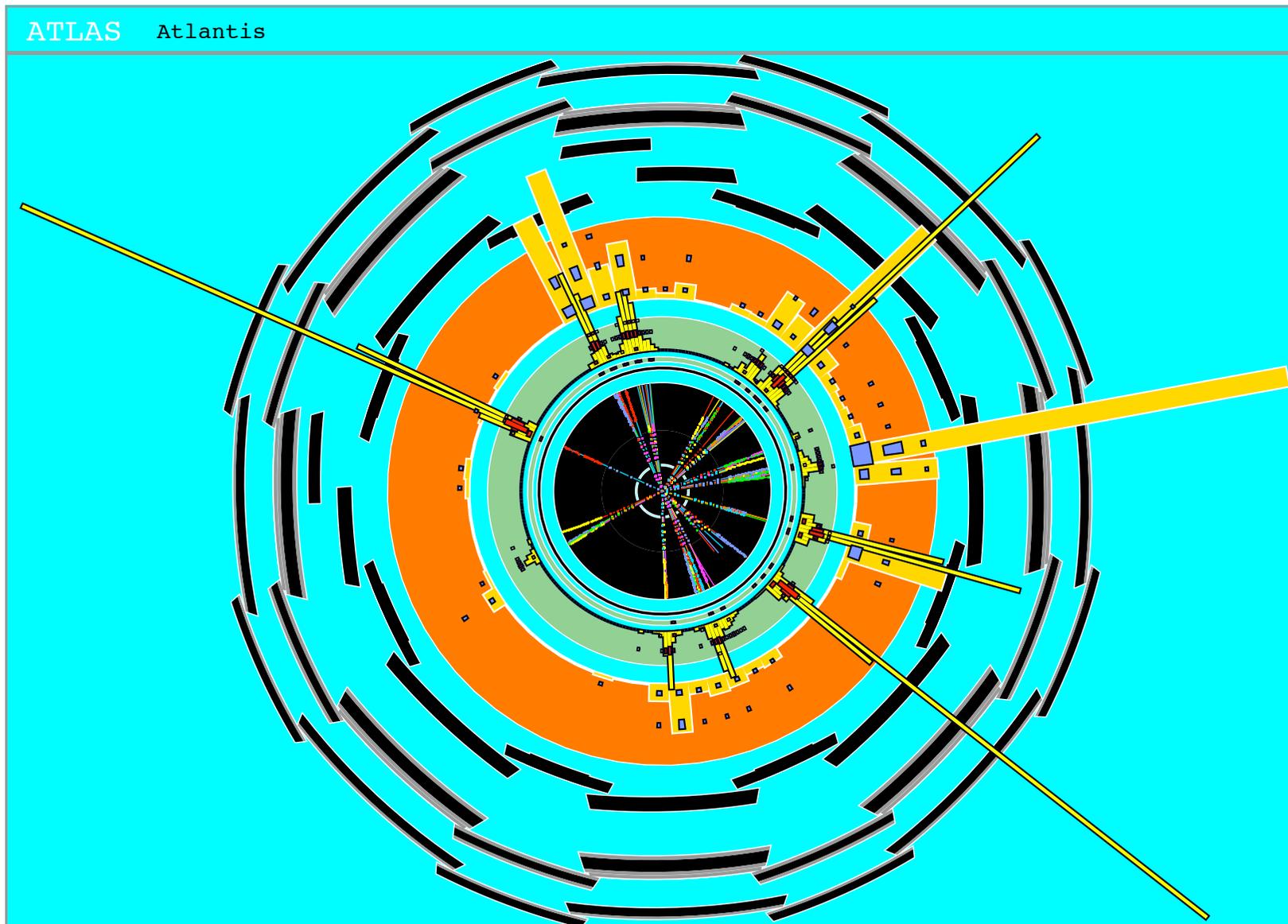


# Black Hole Event at LHC

TOTDIM = 10

MPLNCK = 1 TeV

$M_{\text{BH}} = 8 \text{ TeV}$



# Issues for Event Generators

- Interfacing to BSM models
  - ❖ LH Accords, PDG codes, ..., but ...
  - ❖ Spin, showering, widths, off-shell effects
- Precision & modelling
  - ❖ Mass effects,  $1/N_c$
  - ❖ Matching to NLO, LO n-jets, ...
  - ❖ NP: hadronization, underlying event, intrinsic  $p_t$ , ...
  - ❖ Parton distributions for MC

# General-Purpose Event Generators

- HERWIG

- ❖ Angular-ordered shower, cluster hadronization

- ❖ v6 Fortran, now Herwig++

- PYTHIA

- ❖ Virtuality/ $k_T$ -ordered shower, string hadronization

- ❖ v6 Fortran, v8 C++

- SHERPA

- ❖ Virtuality-ordered shower, string/cluster hadronization

- ❖ C++

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

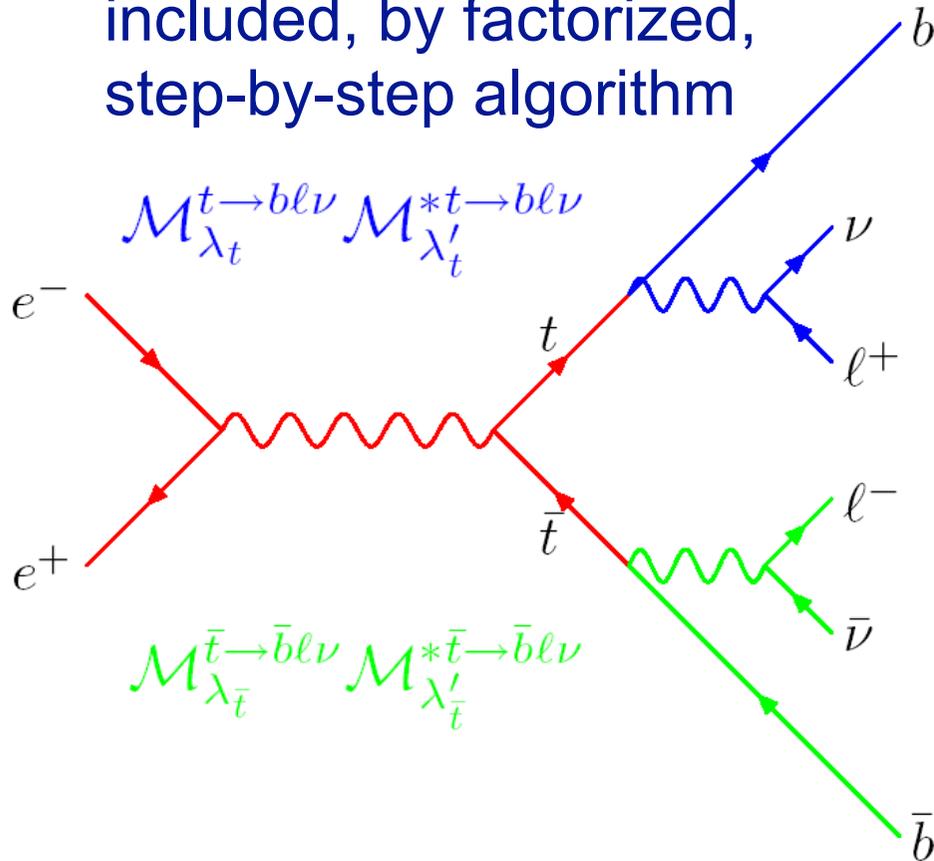
# HERWIG 6

- Current status:
- Version 6.510 released on October 31st 2005
  - <http://projects.hepforge.org/fherwig/>
  - ~ 64,000 lines of FORTRAN, 11 authors (5 currently active)
- 6.51\* will be the last FORTRAN version
- Some features:
  - Many built-in SM and MSSM processes
  - Les Houches Accord interface for arbitrary hard processes
  - Spin correlation algorithm
  - Interface to MC@NLO program (Frixione & Webber)
  - Interface to JIMMY multiple interaction underlying event model
  - Angular cutoff  $\theta > m/E \Rightarrow$  “dead cone” for heavy quarks

# Production/Decay Spin Correlations

- Example: top quark pairs in  $e^+e^-$  annihilation:

Full spin correlations included, by factorized, step-by-step algorithm



$$\rho_{\text{prod}}^{\lambda_c \lambda'_c \lambda_d \lambda'_d} = \mathcal{M}_{ab \rightarrow cd}^{\lambda_c \lambda_d} \mathcal{M}_{ab \rightarrow cd}^{* \lambda'_c \lambda'_d},$$

$$D_c^{\lambda_c \lambda'_c} = \mathcal{M}_{c \text{ decay}}^{\lambda_c} \mathcal{M}_{c \text{ decay}}^{* \lambda'_c},$$

$$|\mathcal{M}|^2 = \rho_{\text{prod}}^{\lambda_c \lambda'_c \lambda_d \lambda'_d} D_c^{\lambda_c \lambda'_c} D_d^{\lambda_d \lambda'_d}$$

$$= \rho_{\text{prod}}^{\lambda_c \lambda_c \lambda_d \lambda_d} \left( \frac{\rho_{\text{prod}}^{\lambda_c \lambda'_c \lambda_d \lambda_d} D_c^{\lambda_c \lambda'_c}}{\rho_{\text{prod}}^{\lambda_c \lambda_c \lambda_d \lambda_d}} \right)$$

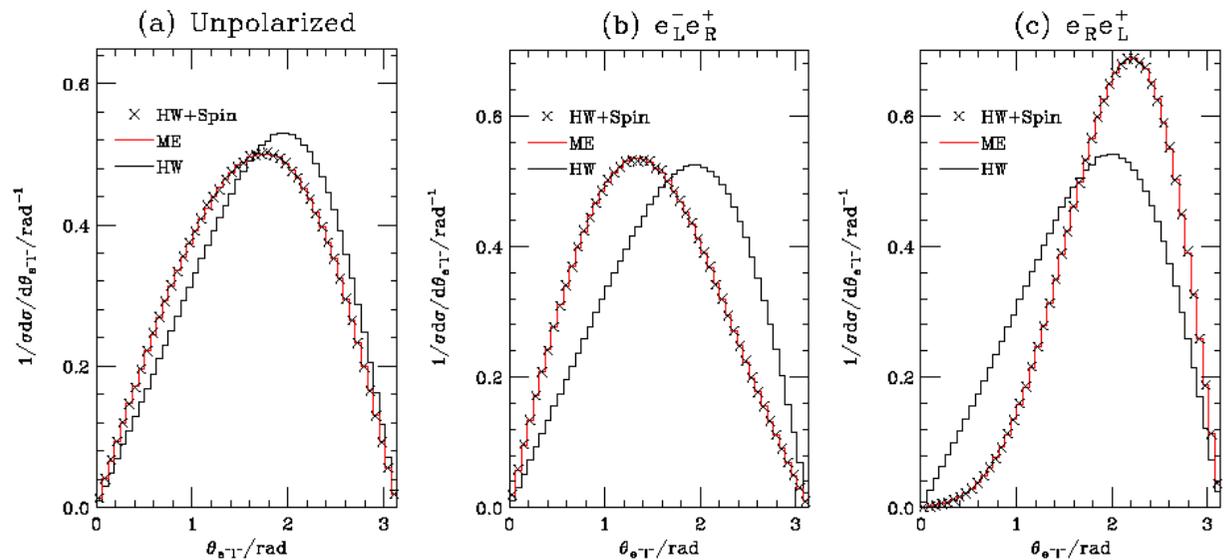
$$\times \left( \frac{\rho_{\text{prod}}^{\lambda_c \lambda'_c \lambda_d \lambda'_d} D_c^{\lambda_c \lambda'_c} D_d^{\lambda_d \lambda'_d}}{\rho_{\text{prod}}^{\lambda_c \lambda'_c \lambda_d \lambda_d} D_c^{\lambda_c \lambda'_c}} \right)$$

P Richardson, JHEP11(01)029 [hep-ph/0110108]

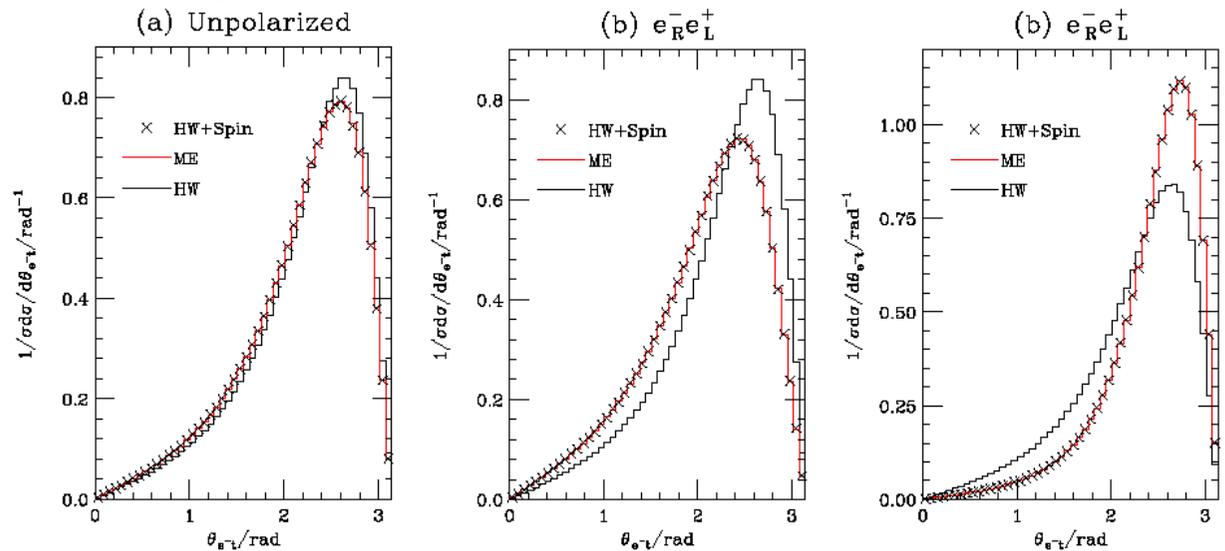
# Production/Decay Spin Correlations

- Top quark pairs in  $e^+e^-$  annihilation:

Correlation between lepton and beam



Correlation between lepton and top



# PYTHIA 6 status

PYTHIA has its roots in JETSET, begun in 1978 → almost 30 years.

PYTHIA 6 still being (slightly) developed and (fully) maintained:

- multiple interactions and underlying event, with
- transverse-momentum-ordered showers
- SUSY interfaces (SLHA) and simulation
- regular bug fixes and minor improvements
- moved to CEDAR HepForge (code management, bugtracking)

Currently PYTHIA 6.413:

- 75,000 lines of code (including comments/blanks)
- 580 page PYTHIA 6.4 Physics and Manual  
T. Sjöstrand, S. Mrenna and P. Skands,  
JHEP05 (2006) 026 [hep-ph/0603175]
- + update notes, sample main programs, etc.

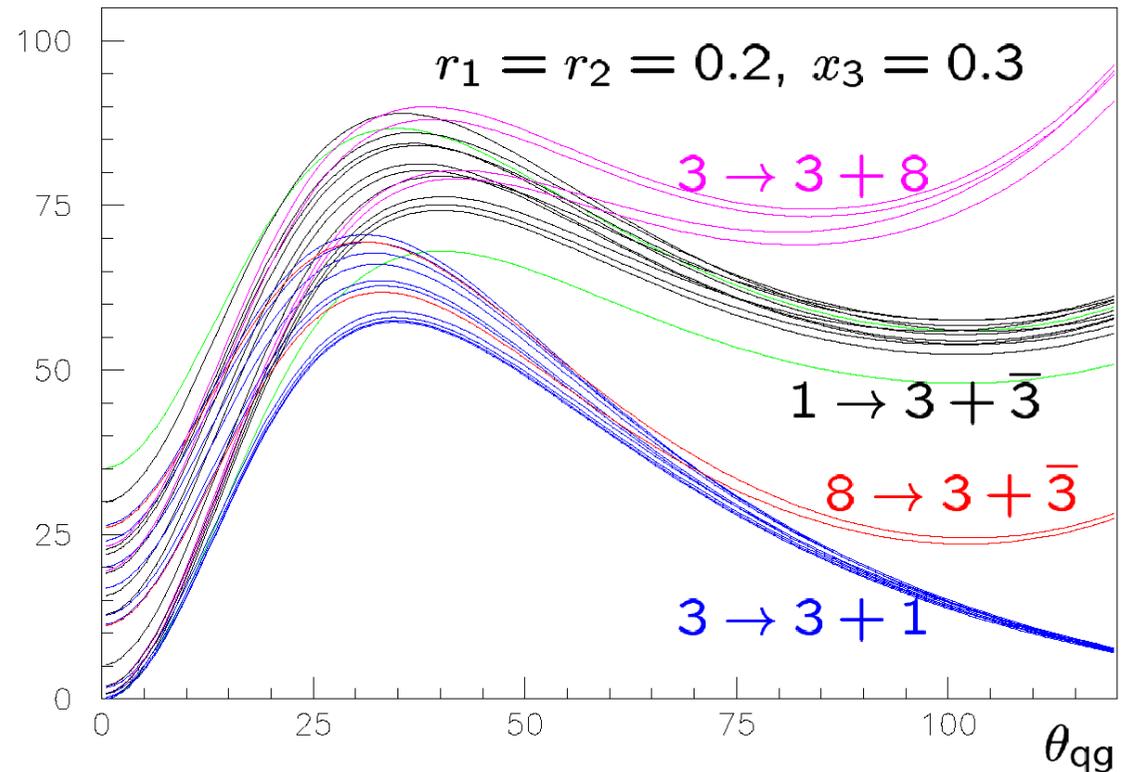
... but

- only add, never subtract  
⇒ has become bloated and unmanageable
- is in Fortran 77, so not understood by young people

# Mass Effects in PYTHIA

- Dead cone only exact for
  - emission from spin-0 particle, or
  - infinitely soft emitted gluon
- In general, depends on
  - energy of gluon
  - colour and spin of emitting particle & partner
  - ➔ process-dependent mass corrections

colour	spin	$\gamma_5$	example
$1 \rightarrow 3 + \bar{3}$	—	—	(eikonal)
$1 \rightarrow 3 + \bar{3}$	$1 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}$	$1, \gamma_5, 1 \pm \gamma_5$	$Z^0 \rightarrow q\bar{q}$
$3 \rightarrow 3 + 1$	$\frac{1}{2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} + 1$	$1, \gamma_5, 1 \pm \gamma_5$	$t \rightarrow bW^+$
$1 \rightarrow 3 + \bar{3}$	$0 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}$	$1, \gamma_5, 1 \pm \gamma_5$	$H^0 \rightarrow q\bar{q}$
$3 \rightarrow 3 + 1$	$\frac{1}{2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} + 0$	$1, \gamma_5, 1 \pm \gamma_5$	$t \rightarrow bH^+$
$1 \rightarrow 3 + \bar{3}$	$1 \rightarrow 0 + 0$	1	$Z^0 \rightarrow \bar{q}q$
$3 \rightarrow 3 + 1$	$0 \rightarrow 0 + 1$	1	$\bar{q} \rightarrow \bar{q}'W^+$
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$3 \rightarrow 3 + 1$	$0 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}$	$1, \gamma_5, 1 \pm \gamma_5$	$\bar{q} \rightarrow q\chi$
$3 \rightarrow 3 + 1$	$\frac{1}{2} \rightarrow 0 + \frac{1}{2}$	$1, \gamma_5, 1 \pm \gamma_5$	$t \rightarrow \bar{t}\chi$
$8 \rightarrow 3 + \bar{3}$	$\frac{1}{2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} + 0$	$1, \gamma_5, 1 \pm \gamma_5$	$\bar{g} \rightarrow q\bar{q}$
$3 \rightarrow 3 + 8$	$0 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}$	$1, \gamma_5, 1 \pm \gamma_5$	$\bar{q} \rightarrow q\bar{g}$
$3 \rightarrow 3 + 8$	$\frac{1}{2} \rightarrow 0 + \frac{1}{2}$	$1, \gamma_5, 1 \pm \gamma_5$	$t \rightarrow \bar{t}\bar{g}$



# PYTHIA Underlying Event Models

Parameter	Value	Description
MSTP(81)	0,10,20	Multiple-Parton Scattering off, for old, intermediate & new models
	1,11,21	Multiple-Parton Scattering on, for old, intermediate & new models
MSTP(82)	1	Multiple interactions with fixed probability & abrupt cut-off $PT_{min}=PARP(81)$ or smooth turn-off at $PARP(82)$
	2	
MSTP(82)	3	Multiple interactions with varying impact parameter & hadronic matter overlap with single Gaussian matter distribution, with smooth turn-off at $PARP(82)$
MSTP(82)	4	Multiple interactions with varying impact parameter and a hadronic matter overlap with double Gaussian matter distribution (governed by $PARP(83)$ and $PARP(84)$ ), or distribution $PARP(83)$ , both with smooth turn-off at $PARP(82)$
	5	

# Object Oriented Event Generators

- ThePEG: Toolkit for High Energy Physics Event Generation, used by Herwig++ (and ARIADNE++?)
- Herwig++: Physics improvements from HERWIG 6
- PYTHIA 8: Implementation of physics of PYTHIA 6 plus some improvements: see <http://www.thep.lu.se/~torbjorn>
- SHERPA: Completely new event generator

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

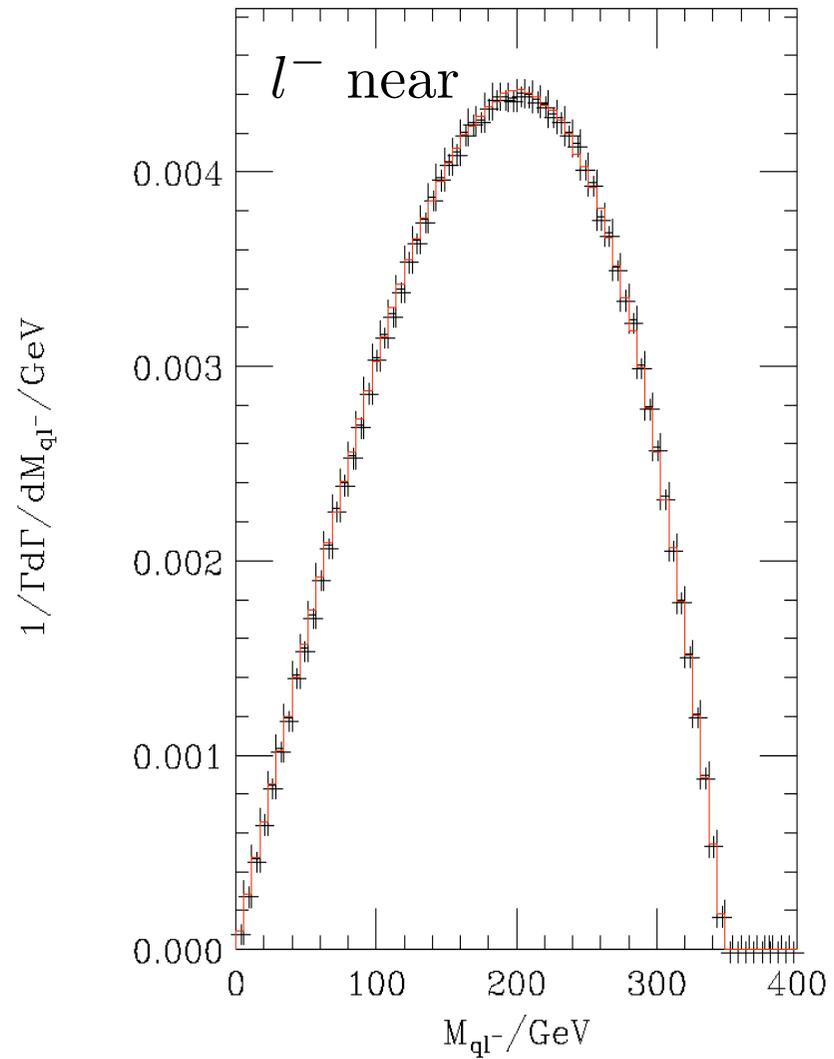
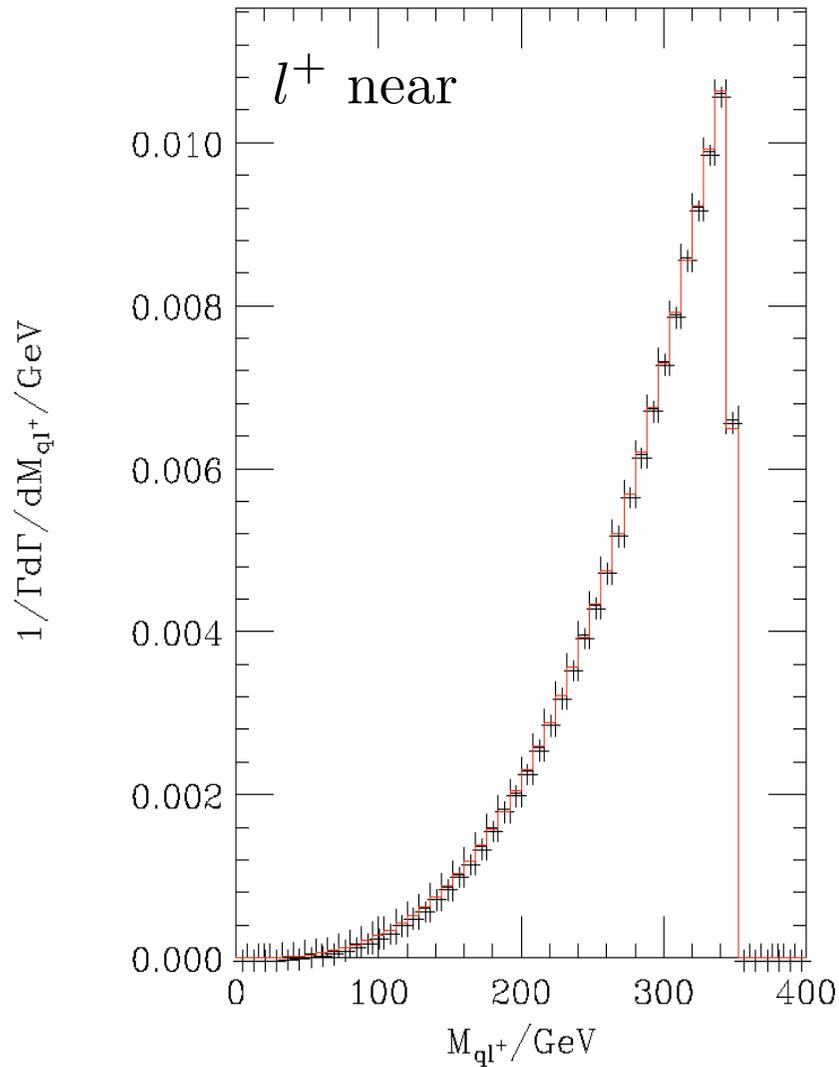
# Hard Processes in Herwig++

- In FORTRAN HERWIG each hard process and decay matrix element was typed in by hand.
  - Isn't a good use of time.
  - Meant that models of new physics were very hard to include.
- Herwig++ uses an entirely different philosophy.
  - A C++ helicity library based on the HELAS formalism is used for all matrix element and decay calculations.
  - Code the hard  $2 \rightarrow 2$  matrix elements based on the spin structures.
  - Code the  $1 \rightarrow 2$  decays in the same way and use phase space for the  $1 \rightarrow 3$  decays to start with.
  - Easy to include spin correlations as we have access to the spin unaveraged matrix elements.

*Herwig++ Physics and Manual*, M Bähr et al. arXiv:0803:0883  
M Gigg and P Richardson EPJ C51(07)989 [hep-ph/0703199]

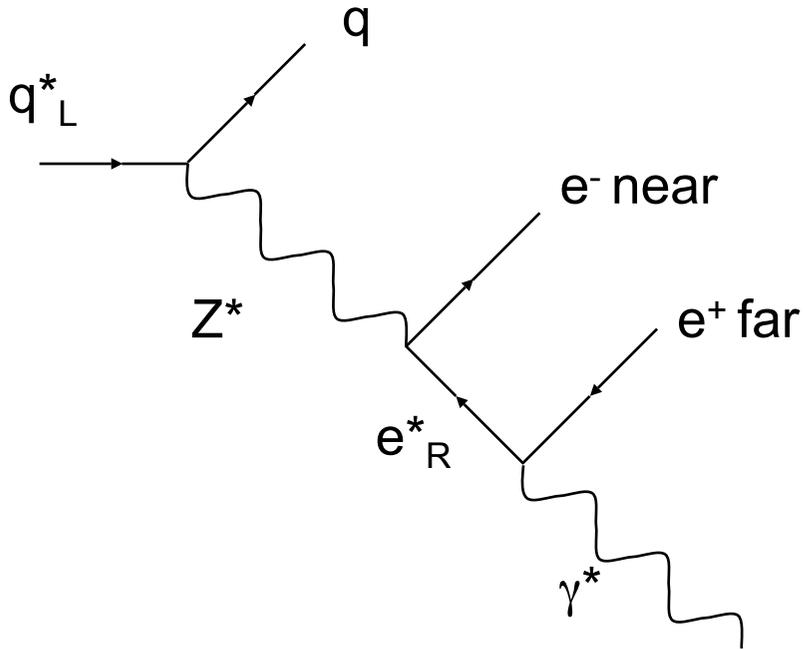
# Herwig++ New Physics: MSSM

$$\tilde{q}_L \rightarrow q\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow ql^\pm\tilde{l}^\mp \rightarrow ql^\pm l^\mp\tilde{\chi}_1^0$$

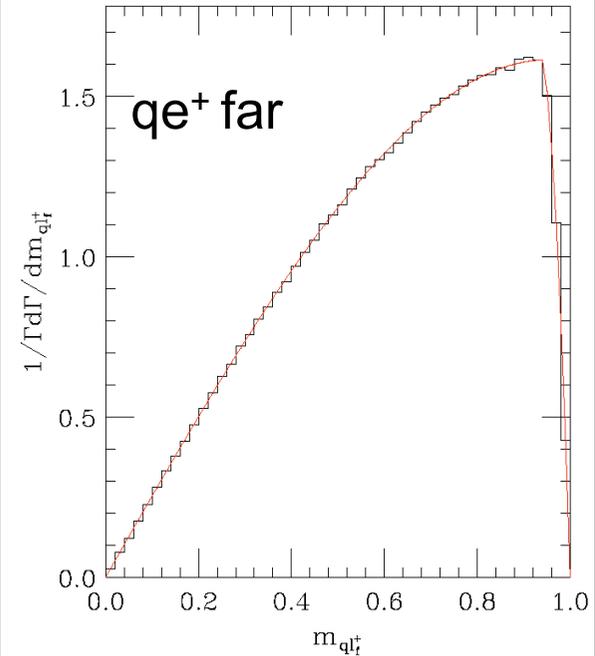
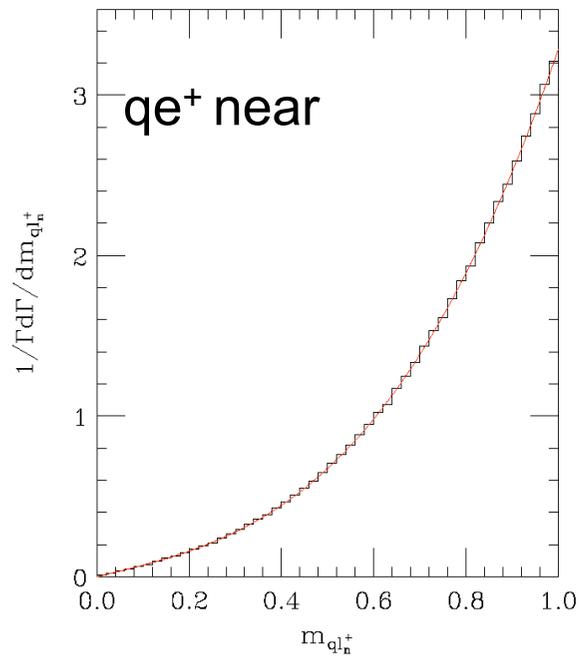
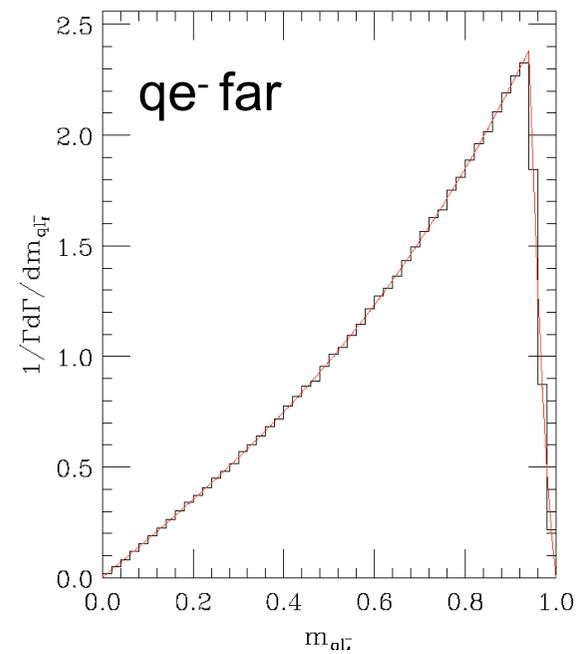
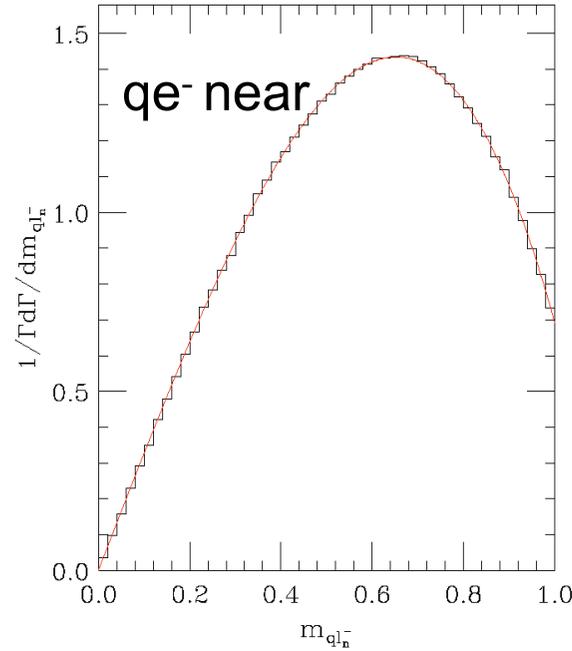


# Herwig++ New Physics: UED

Analogous decay:



Curves: J Smillie, BW  
JHEP 10(05)069  
[hep-ph/0507170]



# PYTHIA 8 status

## task

administrative structure  
hard processes, internal  
resonance decays  
hard processes, external  
SUSY(+more) parameters  
initial-state showers  
final-state showers  
matching ME's to showers  
multiple interactions  
beam remnants & colour flow  
parton densities  
string fragmentation  
decays & particle data  
Bose-Einstein  
analysis  
graphical user interface  
tuning  
testing

## status

operational; extensions planned  
much of PYTHIA 6; SUSY & TC & more to do  
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interfaces to LHA F77, LHEF, PYTHIA 6  
primitive SLHA2; more needed  
operational  
operational  
some exists; much more needed  
operational; extensions planned  
operational; alternatives to come  
only 2 internal, but interface to LHAPDF  
operational; improvements planned  
operational; may need updates  
operational; off by default (tuning)  
some simple tools; may be enough  
operational; could be extended  
major task for MCnet postdocs!  
major task for experimentalists!

# Key differences between PYTHIA 6.4 and 8.1

Old features definitely removed include, among others:

- independent fragmentation
- mass-ordered showers

Features omitted so far include, among others:

- ep,  $\gamma p$  and  $\gamma\gamma$  beam configurations
- several processes, especially SUSY & Technicolor

New features, not found in 6.4:

- interleaved  $p_{\perp}$ -ordered MI + ISR + FSR evolution
- richer mix of underlying-event processes ( $\gamma$ ,  $J/\psi$ , DY, ...)
- possibility for two selected hard interactions in same event
- possibility to use one PDF set for hard process and another for rest
- elastic scattering with Coulomb term (optional)
- updated decay data

Preliminary plans for the future:

- rescattering in multiple interactions
- NLO and L-CKKW matching

# Introducing SHERPA

## Physics of SHERPA

T.Gleisberg, S.Höche, F.K., A.Schälicke, S.Schumann and J.C.Winter, JHEP **0402** (2004) 056

- New event generator, written from scratch in C++.
- Matrix elements from AMEGIC, combined with own parton shower implementation

(F.K., A.Schälicke and G.Soff, arXiv:hep-ph/0503087; similar to shower in PYTHIA)

- Hadronization of Pythia interfaced, will be replaced by own cluster model

(J.Winter, F.K. and G.Soff, Eur. Phys. J. **C36** (2004) 381)

- Tested in a number of processes (highlights see below).
- A few other implementations exist for specific channels.



# Automatic cross section calculators

## Example: AMEGIC++

F.K., R.Kuhn, G.Soff, JHEP 0202 (2002) 044.

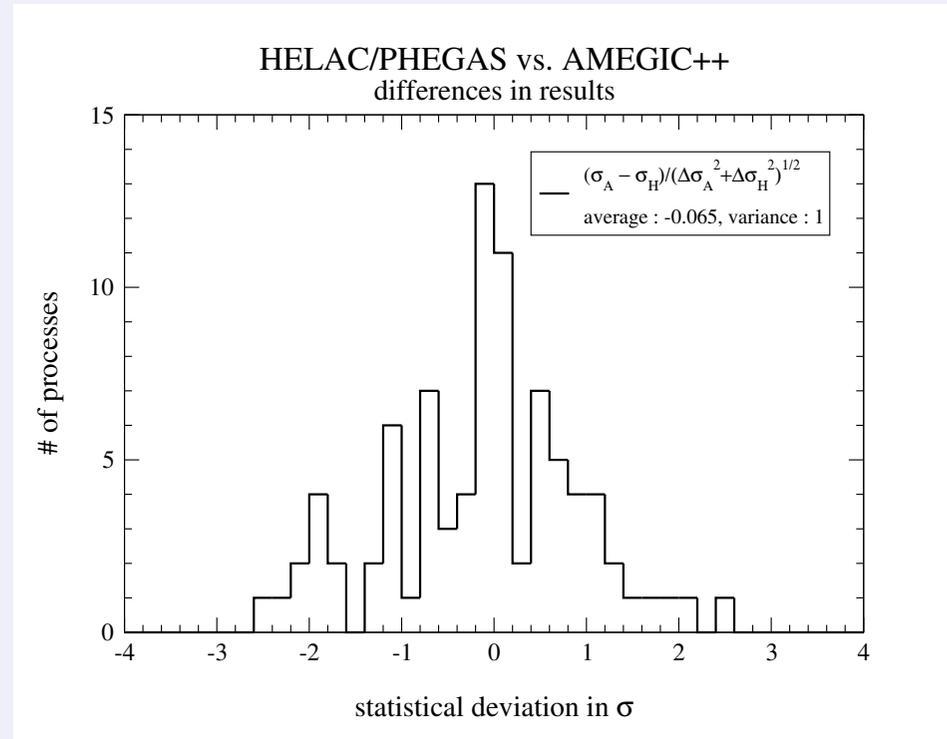
- Uses helicity method + multi-channeling.  
Operational mode: 2 runs.
  - Generation run:
    - Generate Feynman diagrams,
    - construct and simplify helicity amplitudes,
    - produce integration channels,
    - write out library files.
  - Compile & link libraries.
  - Production run:
    - cross section calculations,
    - parton level events.
- Implemented & tested models: SM, MSSM, ADD.



# Standard Model @ Linear Collider

## Consistency of HELAC/PHEGAS & AMEGIC++

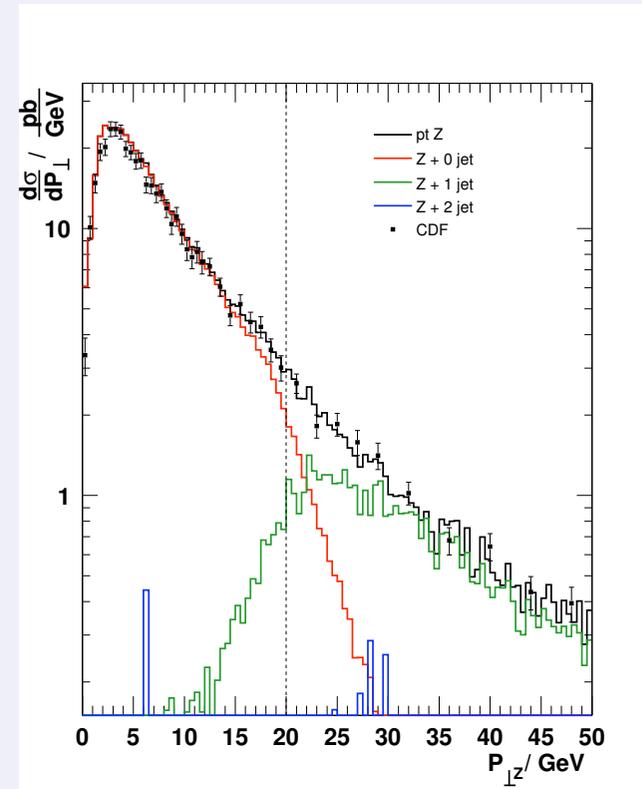
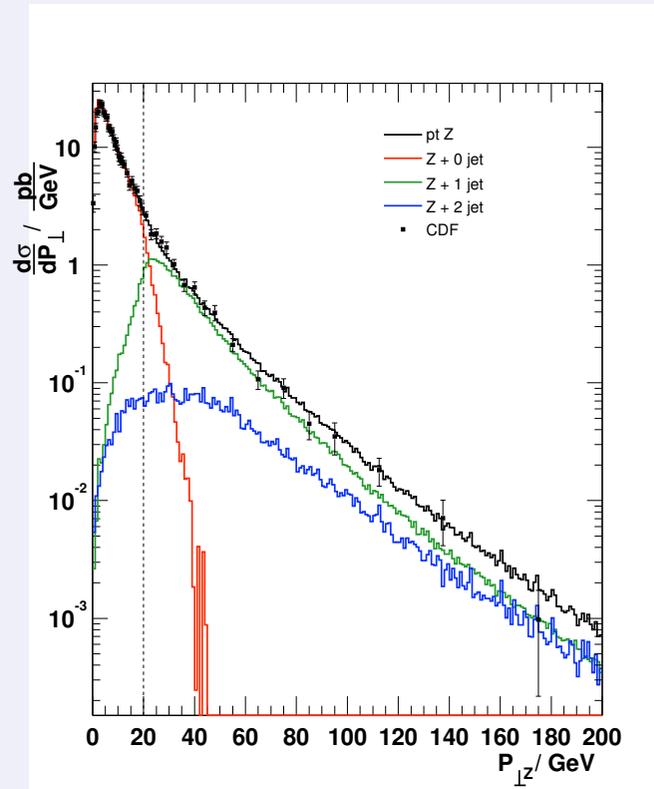
T.Gleisberg, F.K., C.Papadopoulos, A.Schälicke and S.Schumann, Eur. Phys. J. C 34 (2004) 173



# Comparison with data from Tevatron

$p_{\perp}$  of Z-bosons in  $p\bar{p} \rightarrow Z + X$

Data from CDF, Phys. Rev. Lett. 84 (2000) 845



# ME-PS Matching

- Two rather different objectives:
- Matching parton showers to **NLO** matrix elements, without double counting
  - MC@NLO
  - POWHEG
- Matching parton showers to **LO n-jet** matrix elements, minimizing jet resolution dependence
  - CKKW
  - Dipole
  - MLM Matching
  - Comparisons

# MC@NLO

Illustrate with simple one-dim. example:

$$|\mathcal{M}_{m+1}|^2 \equiv \frac{1}{x} \mathcal{M}(x)$$

$x$  = gluon energy or two-parton invariant mass.

Divergences regularized by  $d = 4 - 2\epsilon$  dimensions.

$$|\mathcal{M}_m^{\text{one-loop}}|^2 \equiv \frac{1}{\epsilon} \mathcal{V}$$

Cross section in  $d$  dimensions is:

$$\sigma = \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x^{1+\epsilon}} \mathcal{M}(x) F_1^J(x) + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \mathcal{V} F_0^J$$

Infrared safety:  $F_1^J(0) = F_0^J$

KLN cancellation theorem:  $\mathcal{M}(0) = \mathcal{V}$

# Subtraction Method

Exact identity:

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma^J &= \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x^{1+\epsilon}} \mathcal{M}(x) F_1^J(x) - \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x^{1+\epsilon}} \mathcal{V} F_0^J \\ &\quad + \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x^{1+\epsilon}} \mathcal{V} F_0^J + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \mathcal{V} F_0^J \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x} \left( \mathcal{M}(x) F_1^J(x) - \mathcal{V} F_0^J \right) + \mathcal{O}(1) \mathcal{V} F_0^J.\end{aligned}$$

 Two separate finite integrals.

# Modified Subtraction

$$\sigma^J = \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x} (\mathcal{M}(x) F_1^J(x) - \mathcal{V} F_0^J) + \mathcal{O}(1) \mathcal{V} F_0^J$$

Now add parton shower:

$F_{0,1}^J \Rightarrow$  result from showering after 0,1 emissions.

But shower adds  $\mathcal{M}_{\text{MC}}/x$  to 1 emission. Must subtract this, and add to 0 emission (so that  $F_{0,1}^{\text{tot}} = 1 \Rightarrow \sigma^{\text{tot}}$  fixed)

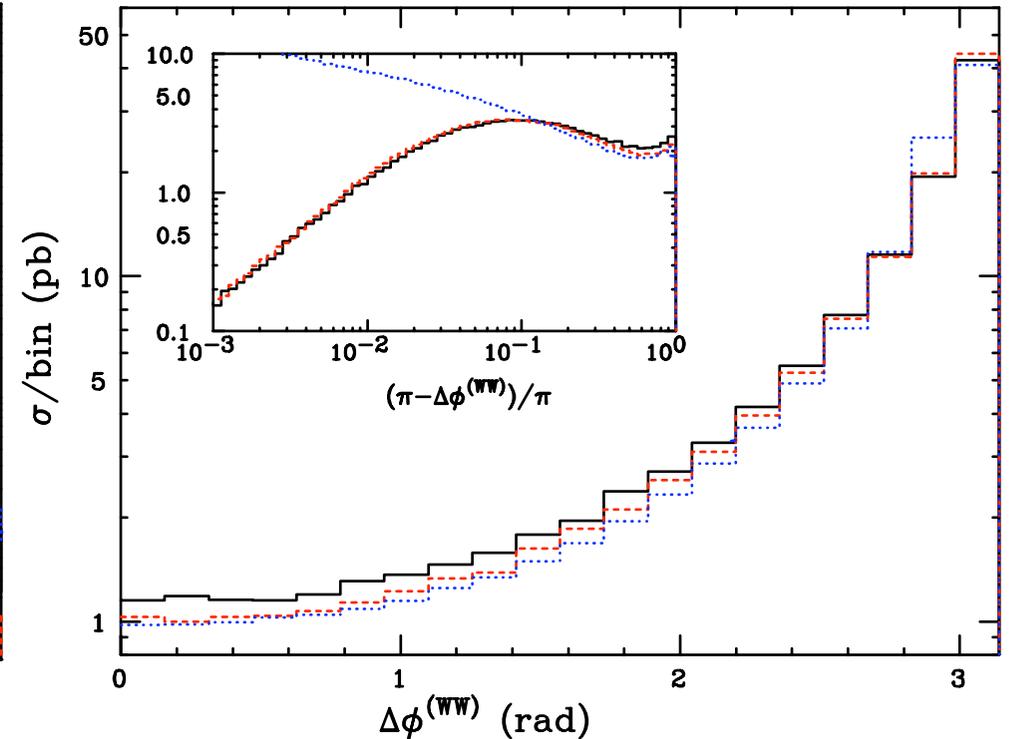
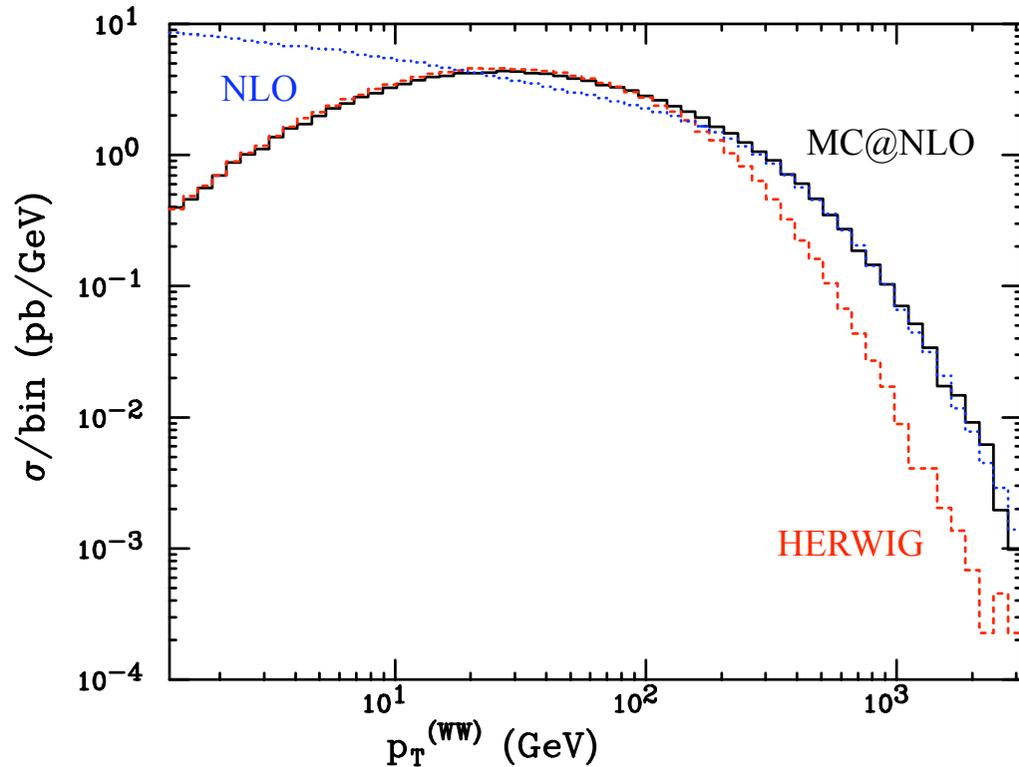
$$\begin{aligned} \sigma^J = & \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x} (\{\mathcal{M}(x) - \mathcal{M}_{\text{MC}}(x)\} F_1^J(x) \\ & - \{\mathcal{V} - \mathcal{M}_{\text{MC}}(x)\} F_0^J) + \mathcal{O}(1) \mathcal{V} F_0^J \end{aligned}$$

MC good for soft and/or collinear  $\Rightarrow \mathcal{M}_{\text{MC}}(0) = \mathcal{M}(0)$

 0 & 1 emission contributions separately finite now!  
(But some can be negative “counter-events”)

# MC@NLO Results

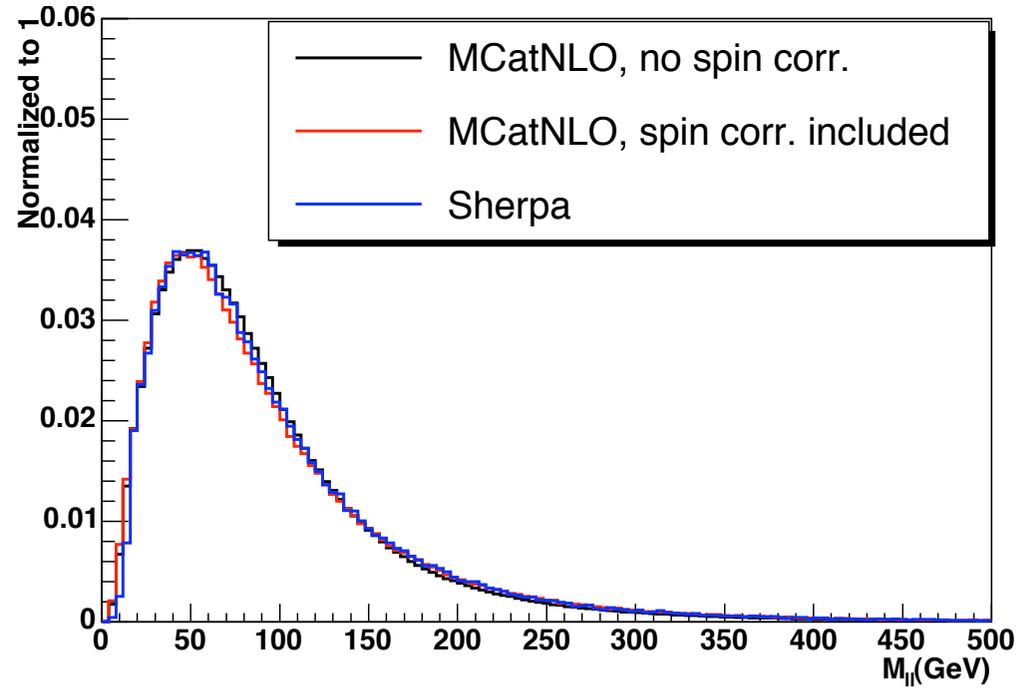
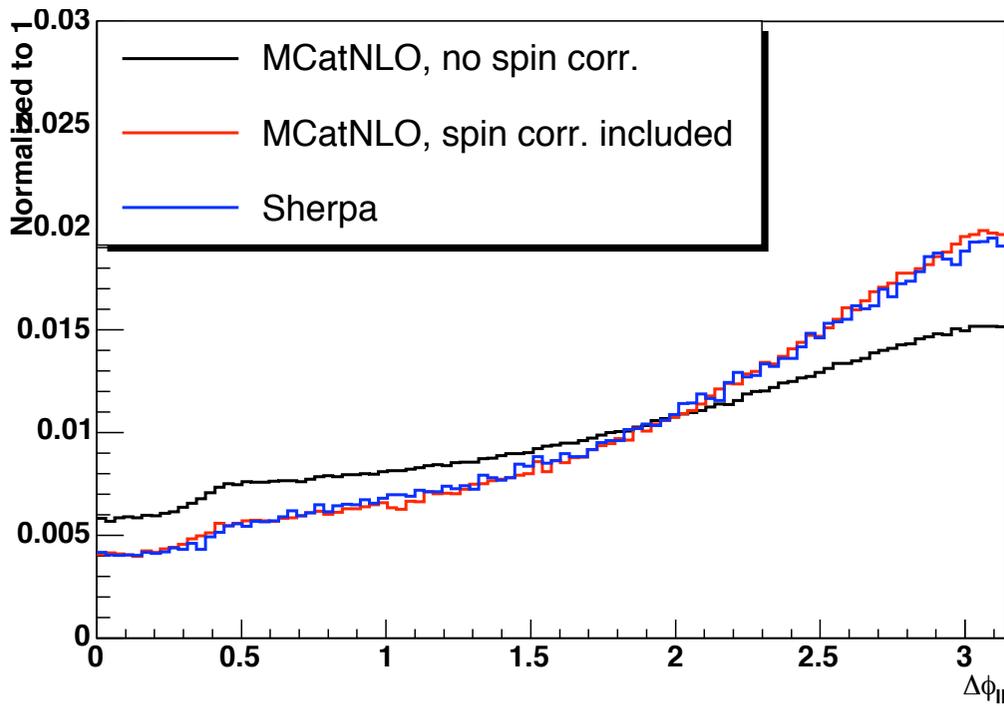
- WW production at LHC



- Interpolates between MC & NLO in  $p_T^{(WW)}$
- Above both at  $\Delta\phi^{(WW)} \simeq 0$

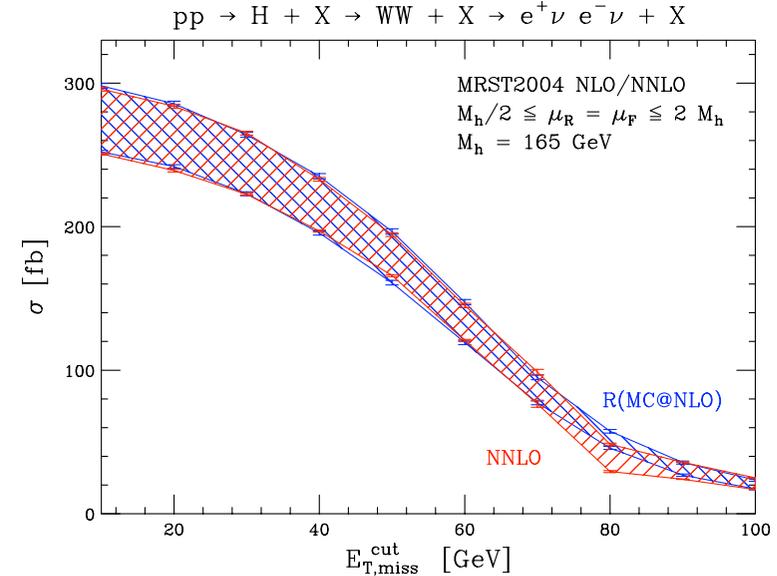
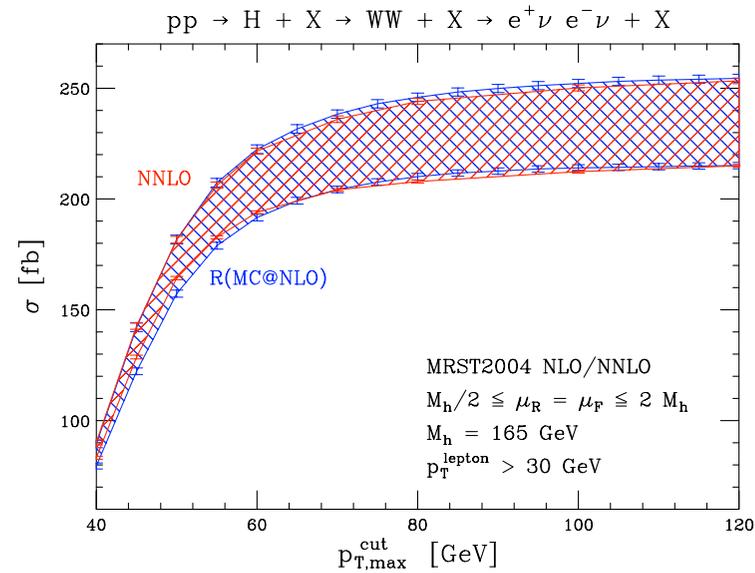
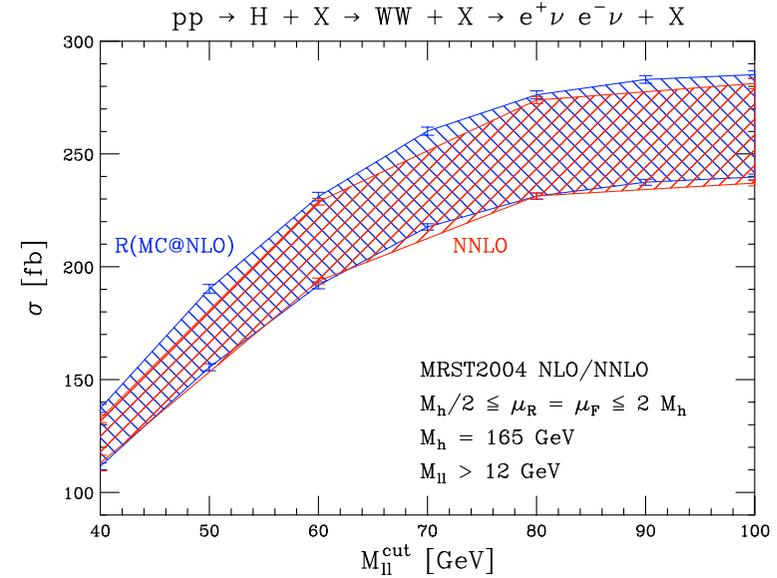
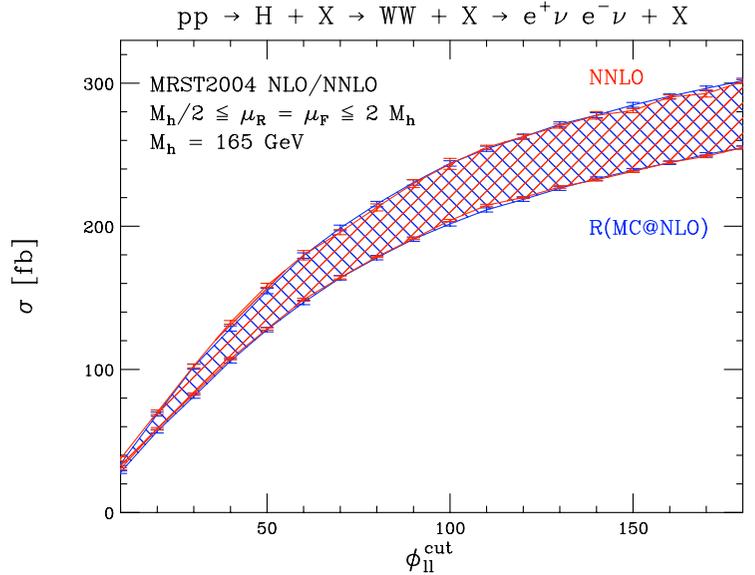
S Frixione & BW, JHEP 06(2002)029

# $W^+W^-$ Spin Correlations



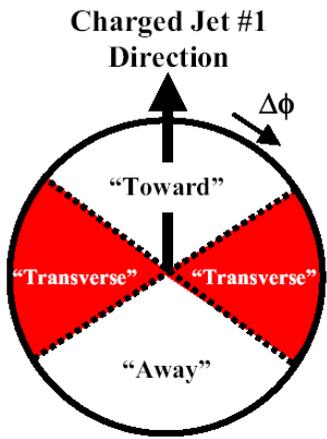
Plots from W. Quayle (preliminary)

# H → WW: MC@NLO vs NNLO



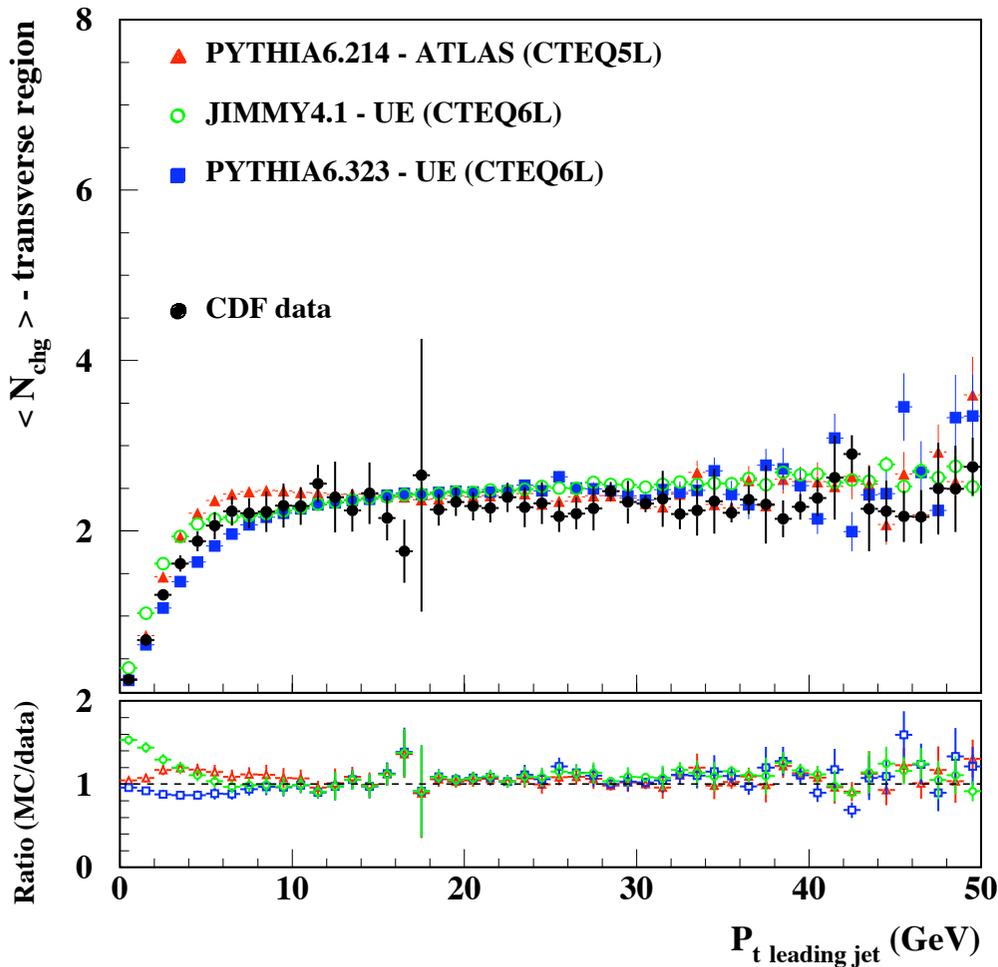
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# Underlying Event



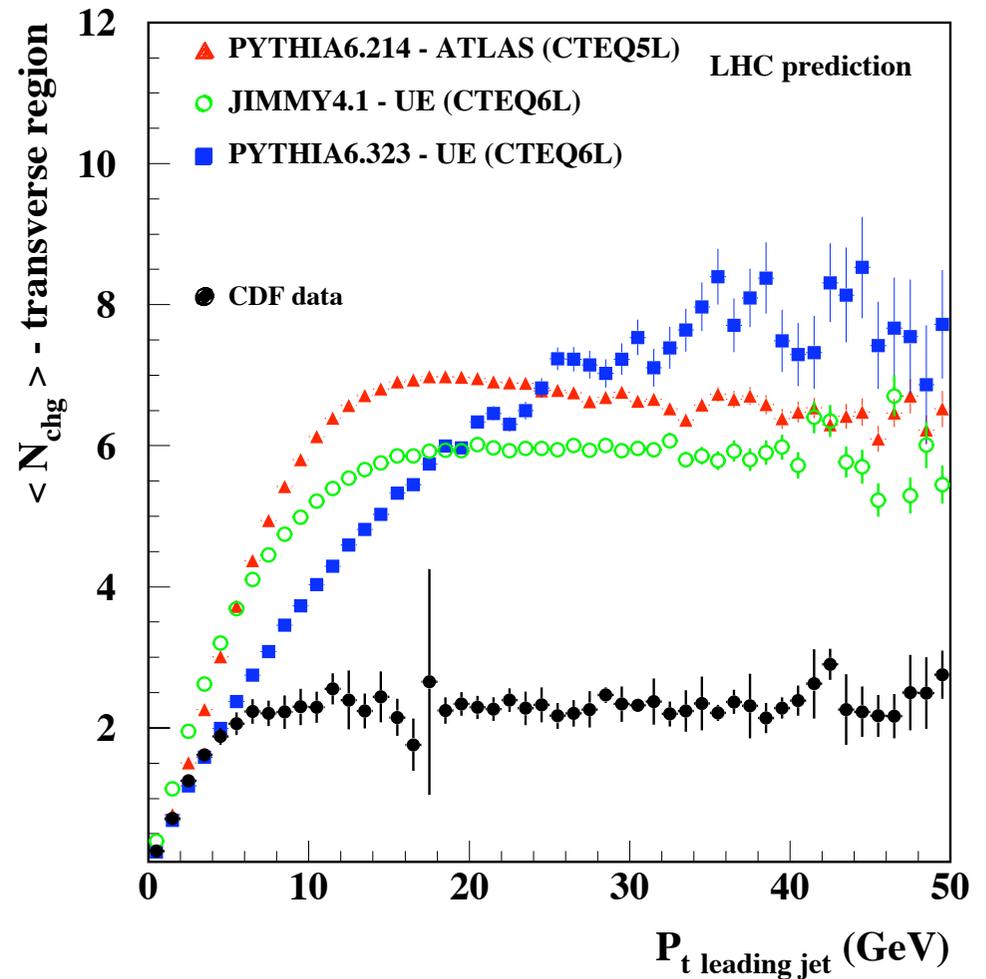
- Affects jet observables
- Extrapolation to LHC uncertain

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



MC4BSM3

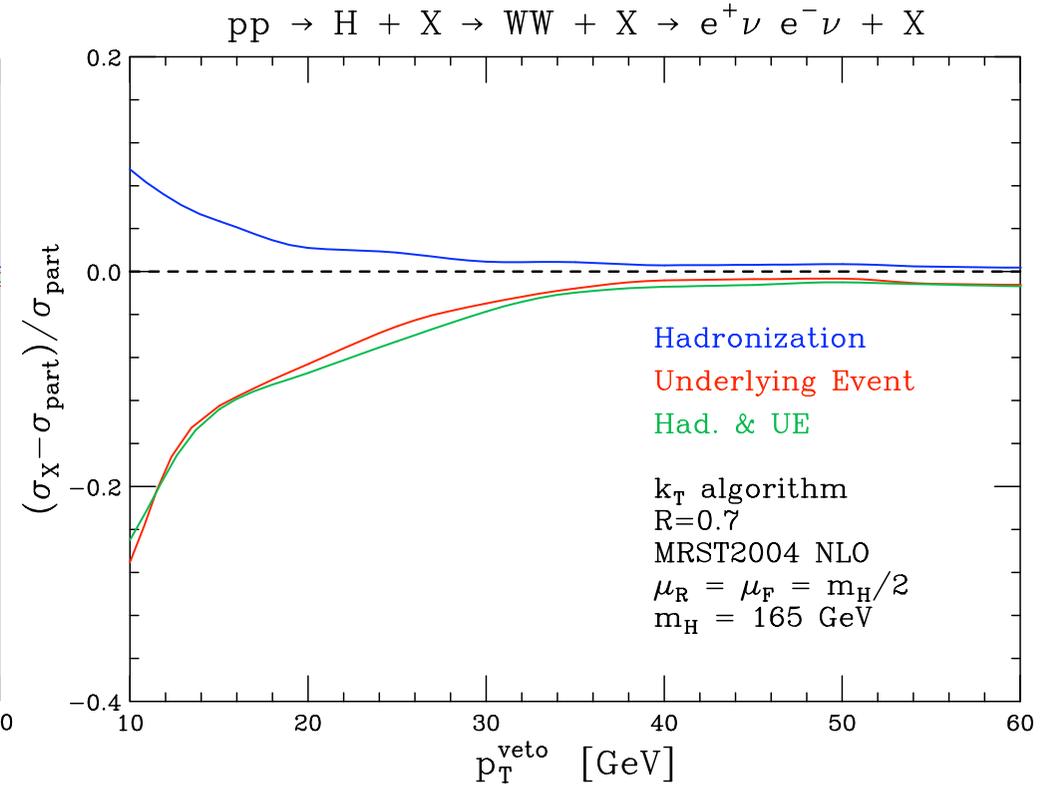
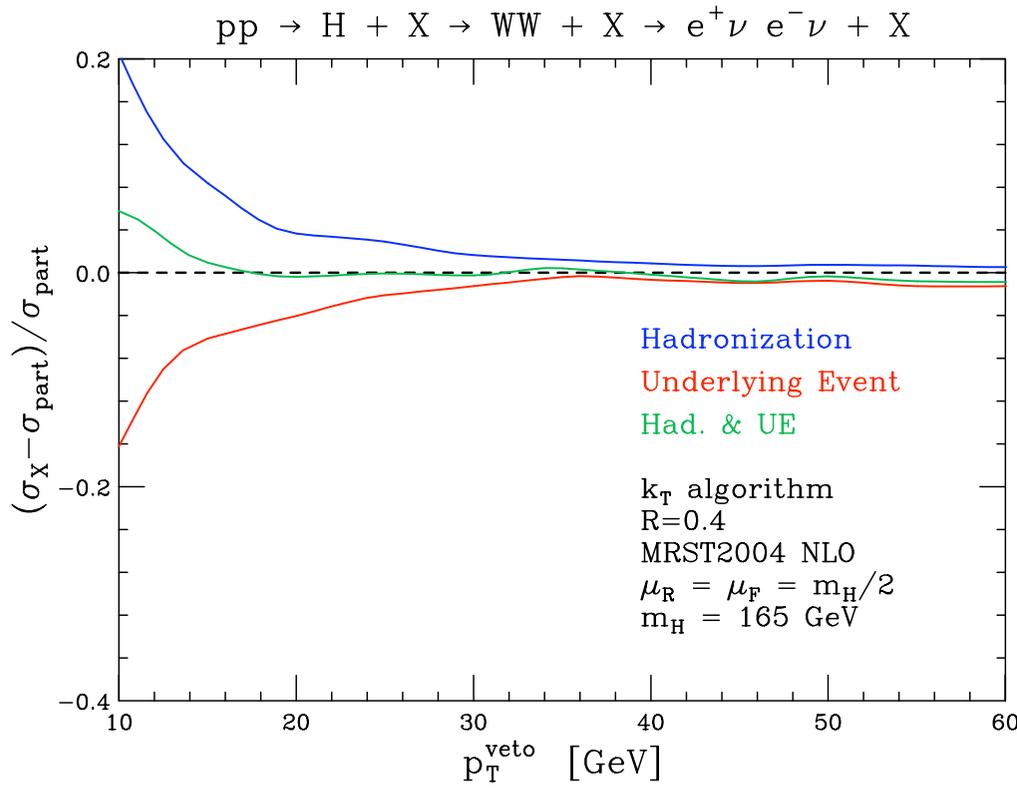
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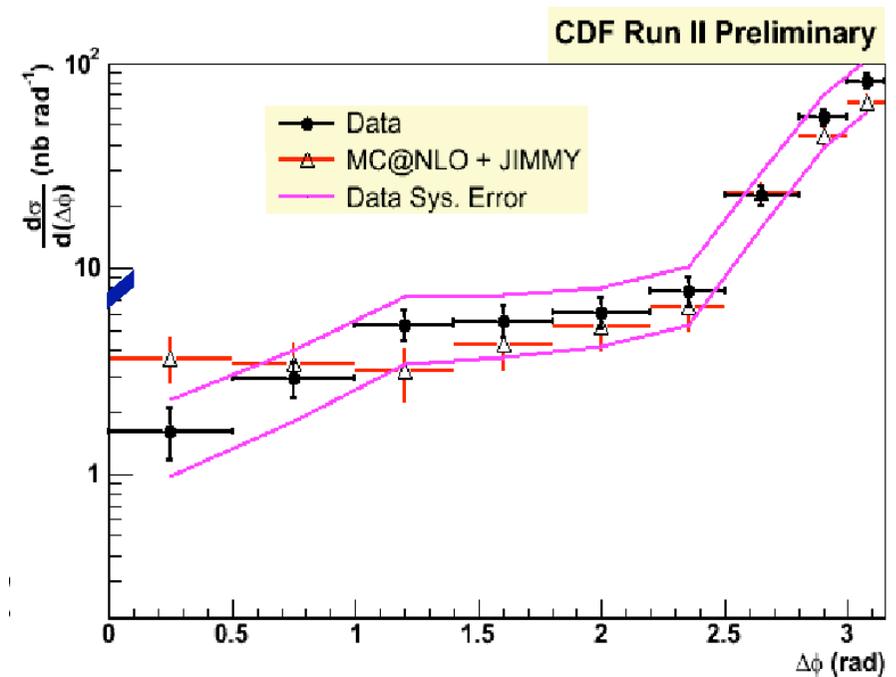
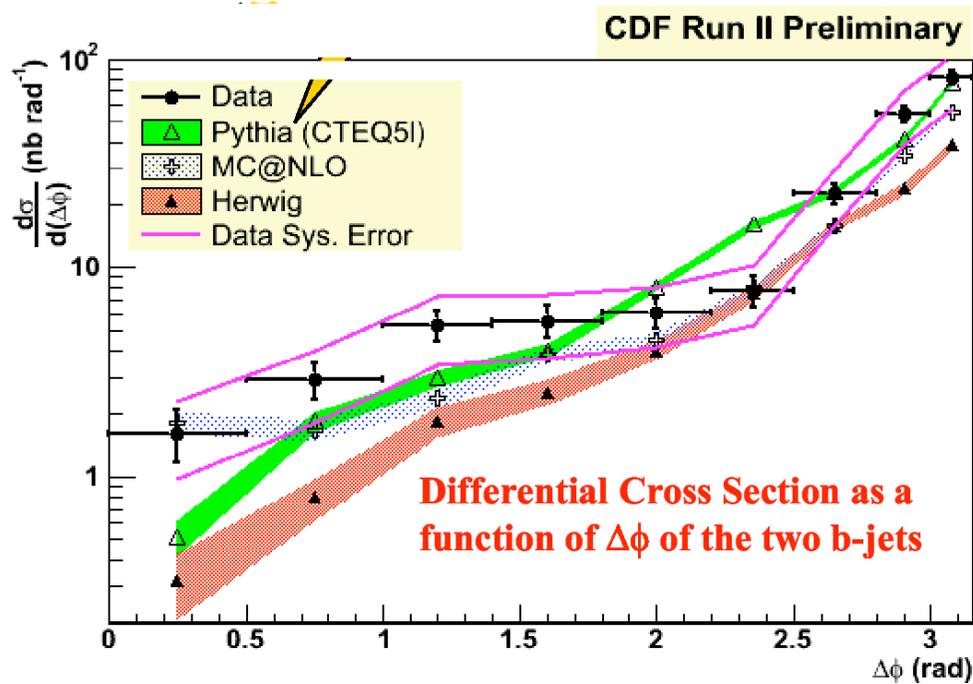
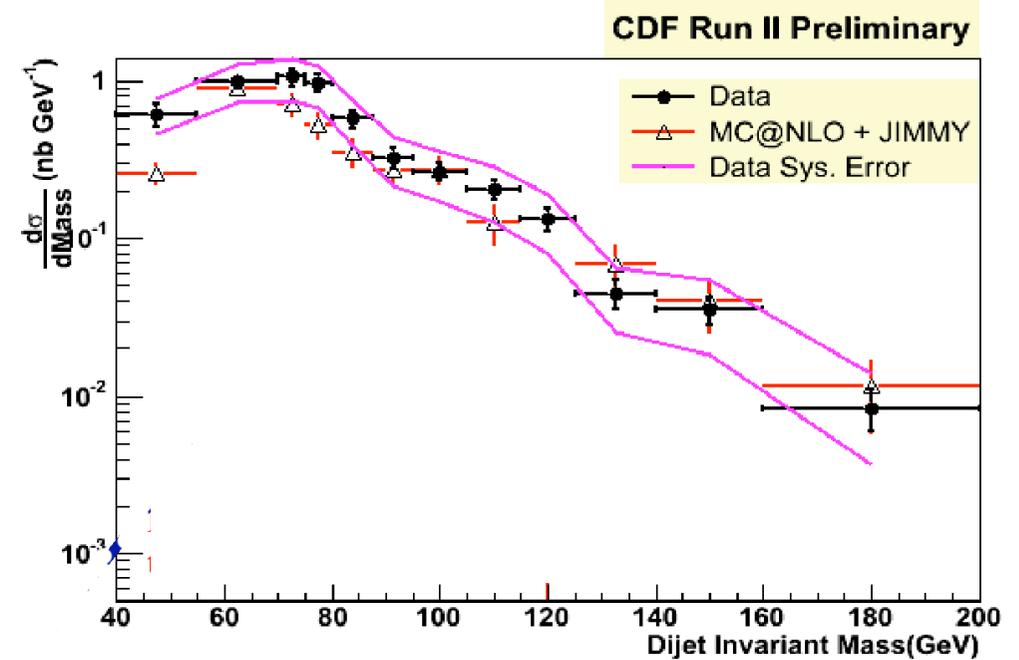
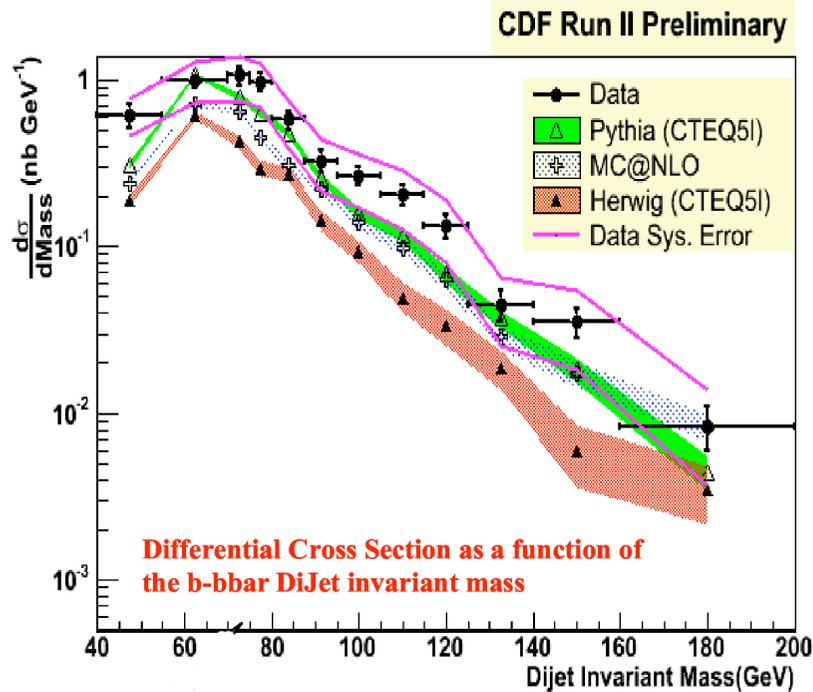
Bryan Webber

# UE in $H \rightarrow WW$

- Effect of UE increases with jet size
- Effect of hadronization decreases
- May cancel in jet veto

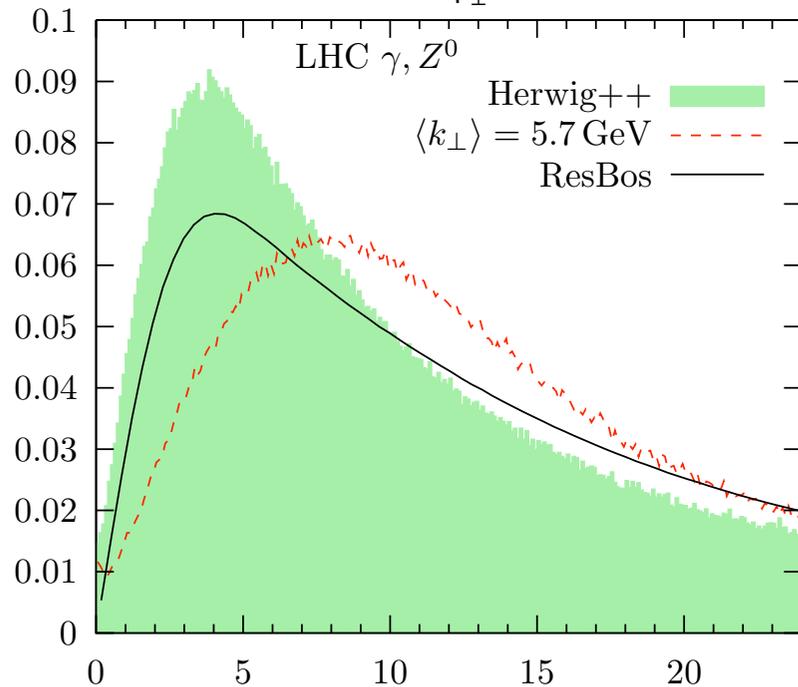
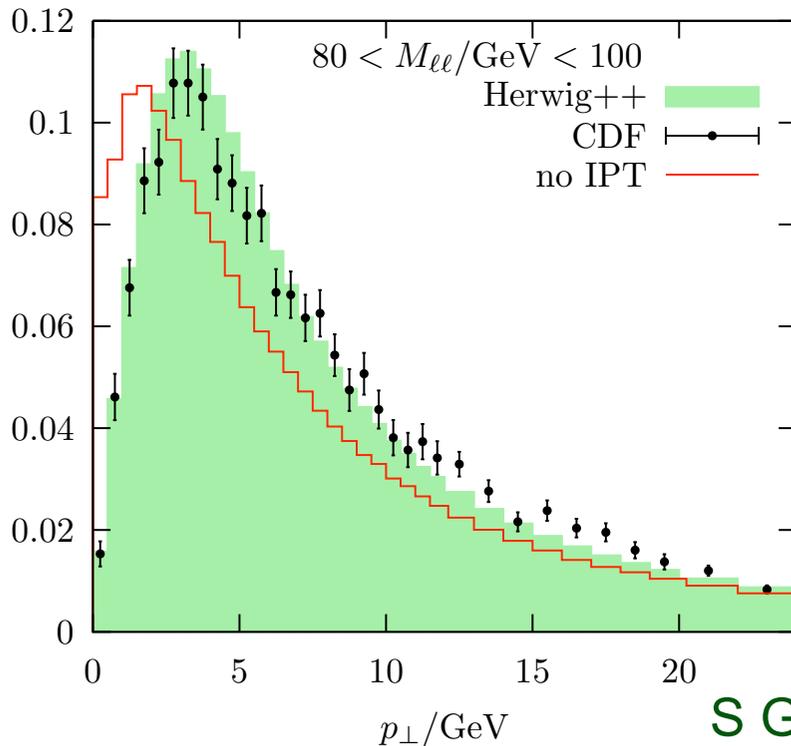
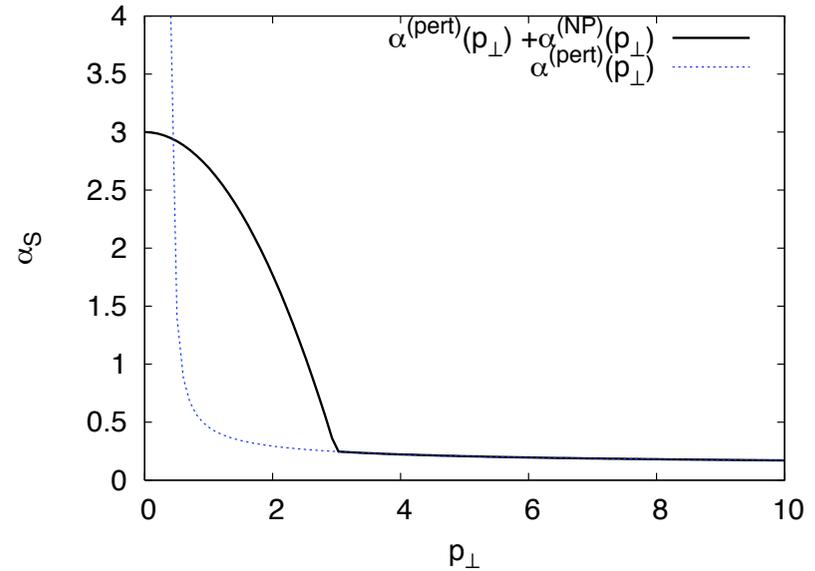


# MC@NLO & UE: $b\bar{b}$ -dijets



# Intrinsic $p_t$

- Low-scale effective  $\alpha_S$  in showers: predicts energy dependence
- Similar to ResBos (CSS resummation)



S Gieseke, M Seymour & A Siódmok, arXiv:0712.1199

# CKKW Matching

- Use Matrix Elements down to scale  $Q_1$
- Use Parton Showers below  $Q_1$
- Correct ME by **reweighting**
- Correct PS by **vetoing**
- Ensure that  $Q_1$  cancels (to NLL)

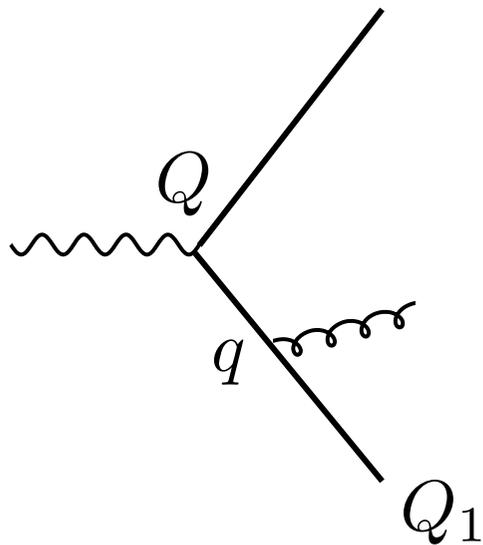
S Catani, F Krauss, R Kuhn & BW, JHEP11 (2001) 063

# Example: $e^+e^- \rightarrow$ hadrons

- 2- & 3-jet rates at scale  $Q_1$ :

$$R_2(Q, Q_1) = [\Delta_q(Q, Q_1)]^2 ,$$

$$R_3(Q, Q_1) = 2\Delta_q(Q, Q_1) \int_{Q_1}^Q dq \frac{\Delta_q(Q, Q_1)}{\Delta_q(q, Q_1)} \Gamma_q(Q, q) \\ \times \Delta_q(q, Q_1) \Delta_g(q, Q_1)$$



$$= 2 [\Delta_q(Q, Q_1)]^2 \int_{Q_1}^Q dq \Gamma_q(Q, q) \Delta_g(q, Q_1)$$

$$\Gamma_q(Q, q) = \frac{2C_F}{\pi} \frac{\alpha_S(q)}{q} \left( \ln \frac{Q}{q} - \frac{3}{4} \right)$$

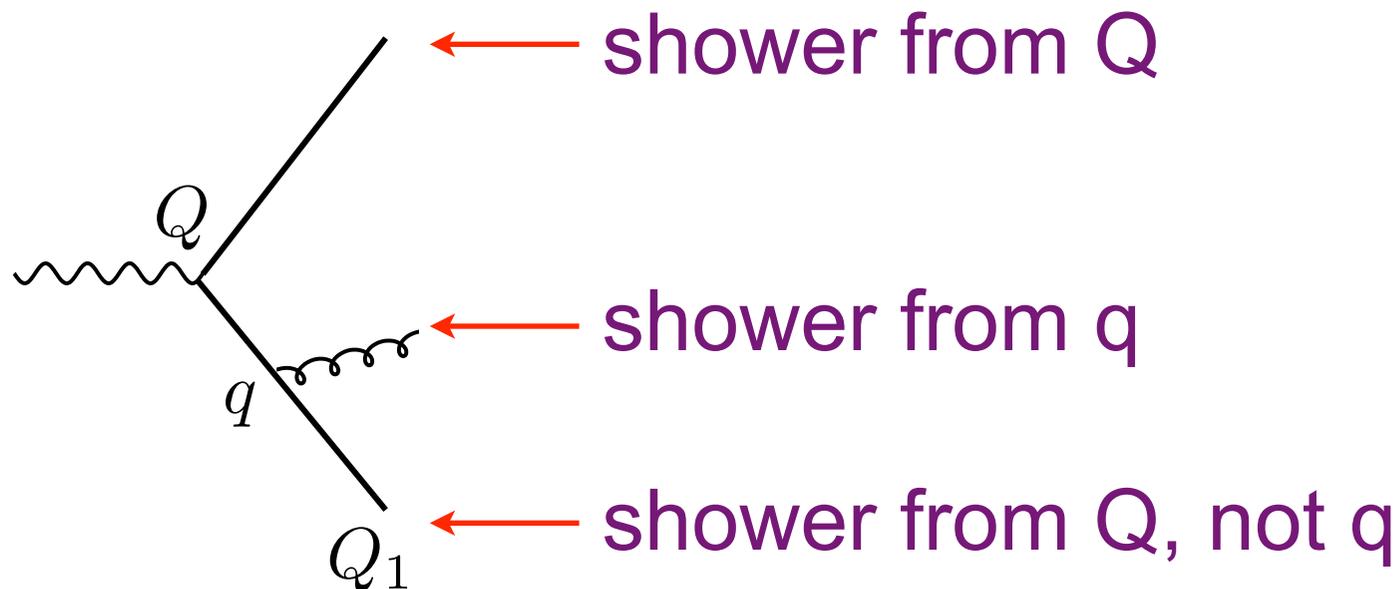
# CKKW reweighting

- Choose  $n$  according to  $R_n(Q, Q_1)(\text{LO})$ 
  - use  $[\alpha_S(Q_1)]^n$
- Use exact LO ME to generate  $n$  partons
- Construct “equivalent shower history”
  - preferably using  $k_T$ -type algorithm
- Weight vertex at scale  $q$  by  $\alpha_S(q)/\alpha_S(Q_1) < 1$
- Weight parton of type  $i$  from  $Q_j$  to  $Q_k$  by

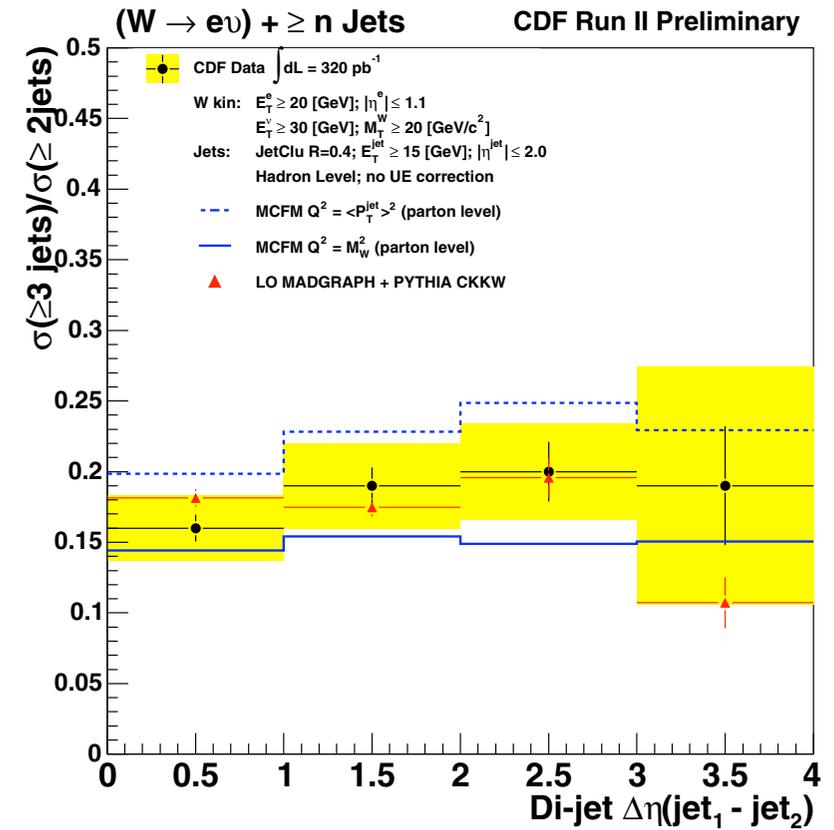
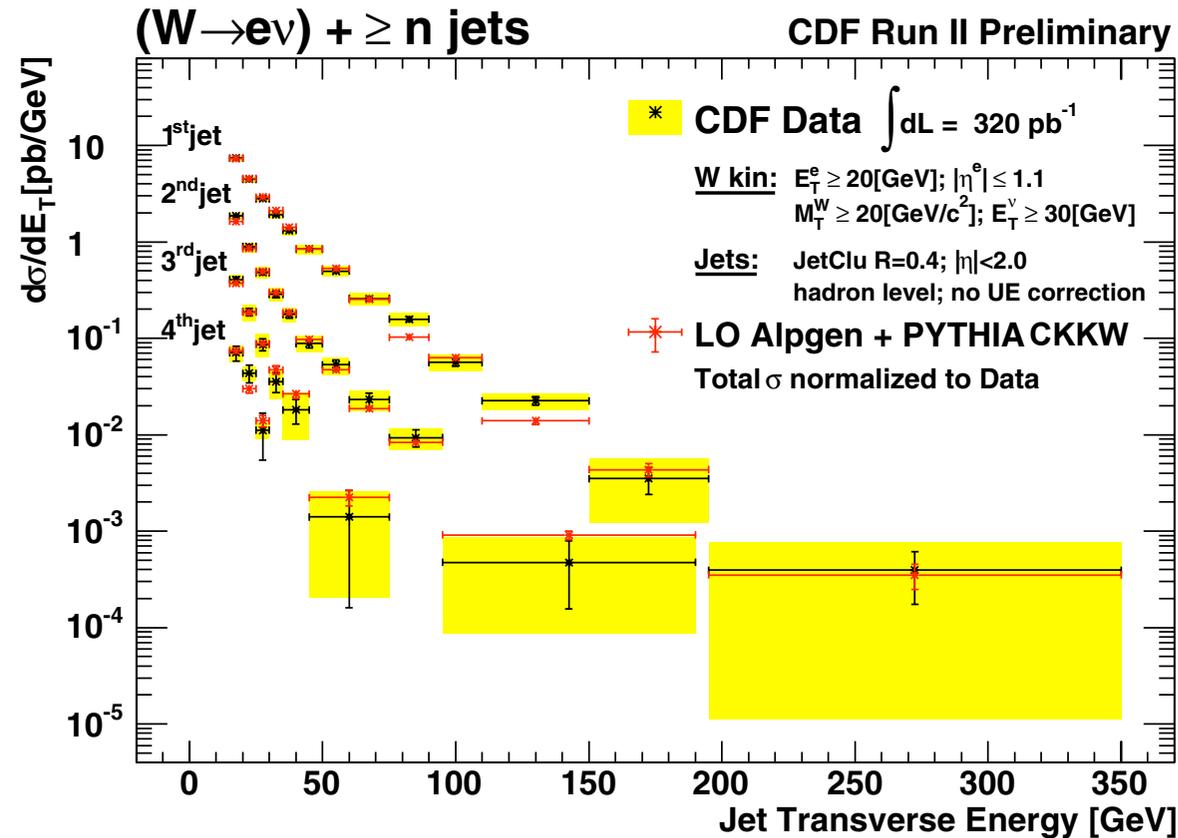
$$\Delta_i(Q_j, Q_1) / \Delta_i(Q_k, Q_1)$$

# CKKW shower veto

- Shower  $n$  partons from “creation scales”
  - includes coherent soft emission
- Veto emissions at scales above  $Q_1$ 
  - cancels leading (LL&NLL)  $Q_1$  dependence



# Comparisons with Tevatron data



from JM Campbell, JW Huston & WJ Stirling, Rept.Prog.Phys.70(2007)89

➔ M.E. + PYTHIA CKKW looks good

# Dipole Matching

- Implemented in ARIADNE dipole MC
- Dipole cascade replaces parton shower
- Construct equivalent dipole history  $\{p_{Ti}\}$
- Rejection replaces Sudakov weights
  - cascade from  $p_{Ti}$ , reject if  $p_T > p_{Ti+1}$

L Lönnblad, JHEP05(2002)046

# MLM Matching

- Use cone algorithm for jet definition:

$$R_{ij}^2 = (\eta_i - \eta_j)^2 + (\phi_i - \phi_j)^2$$

$$E_{Ti} > E_{Tmin}, R_{ij} > R_{min}$$

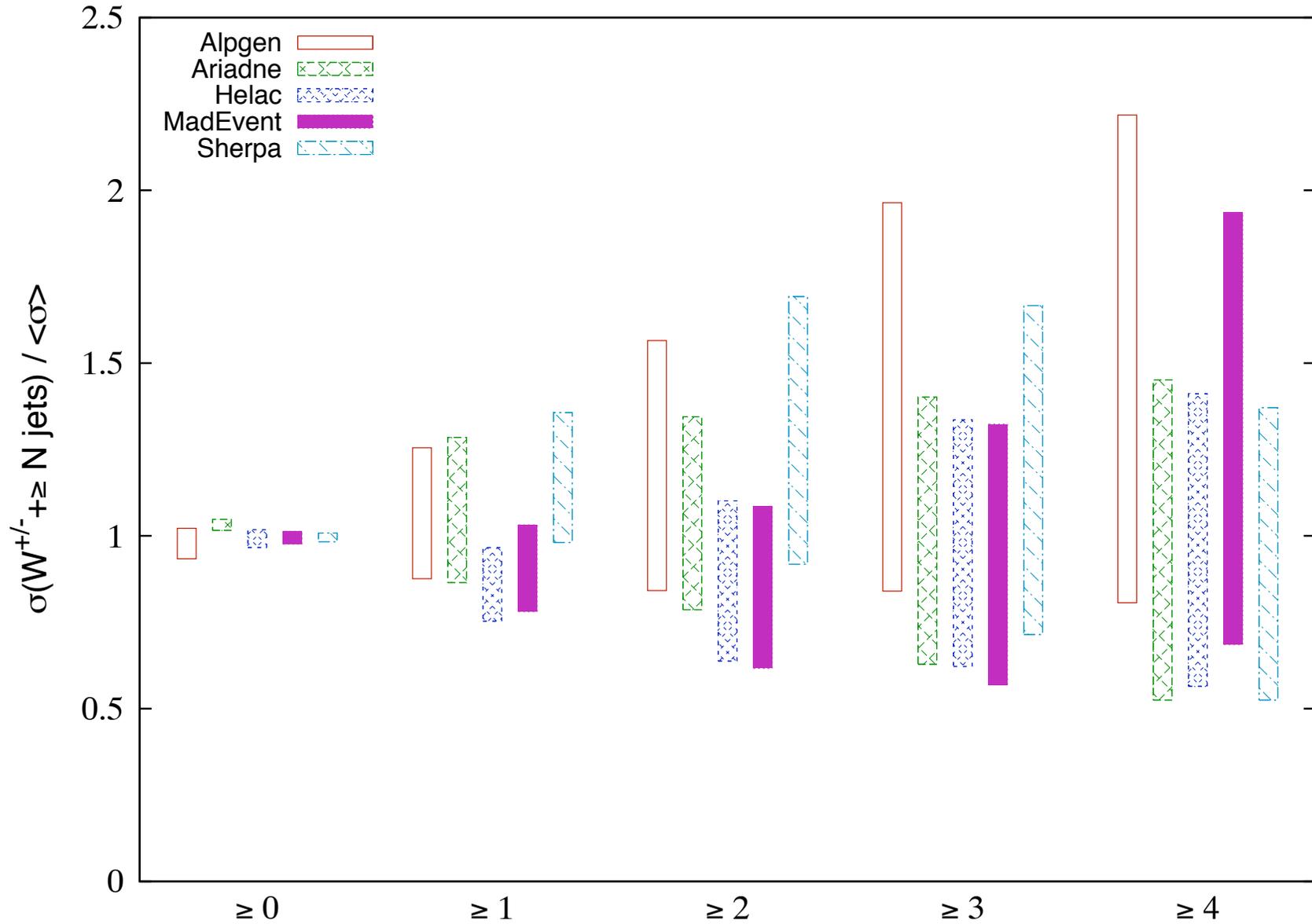
- Generate n-parton configurations with  $E_{Ti} > E_{Tmin}, R_{ij} > R_{min}$  (no Sudakov weights)
- Generate showers (no vetos)
- Form jets using same jet definition
- Reject event if  $n_{jets} \neq n_{partons}$

# Comparisons

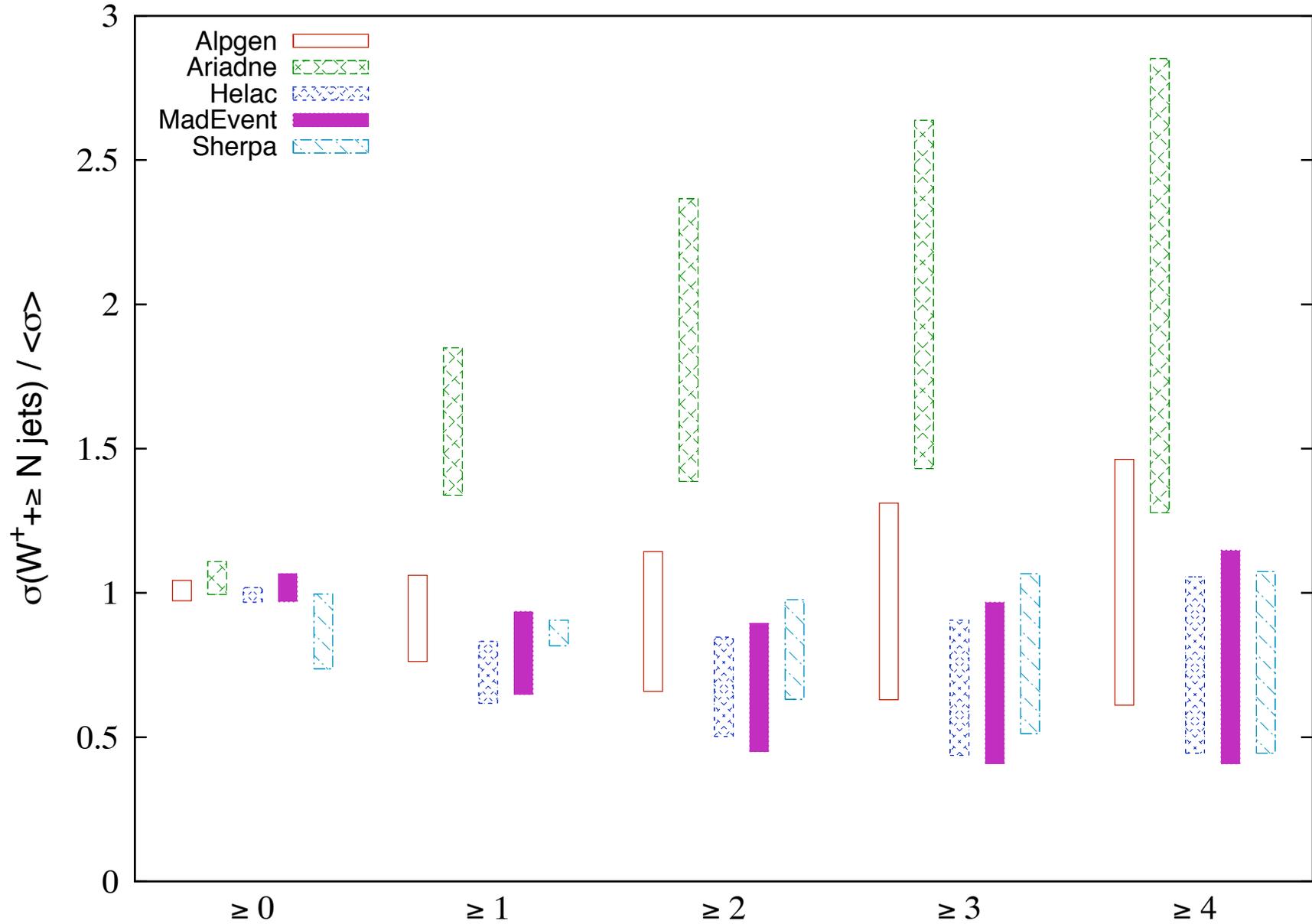
- ALPGEN: MLM matching
- ARIADNE: Dipole matching
- HELAC: MLM matching
- MadEvent: hybrid MLM/CKKW
- SHERPA: CKKW matching

J.Alwall et al., EPJ C53(08)473 [arXiv:0706.2569]

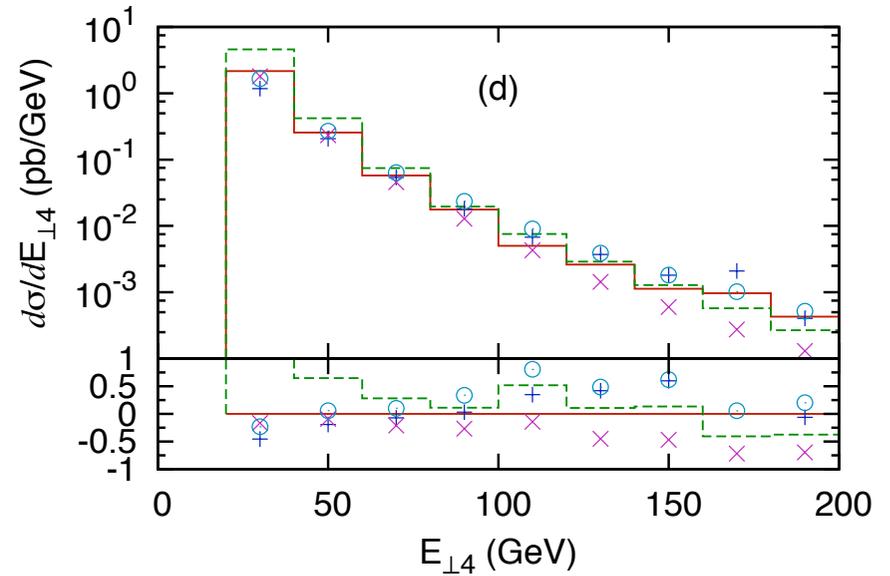
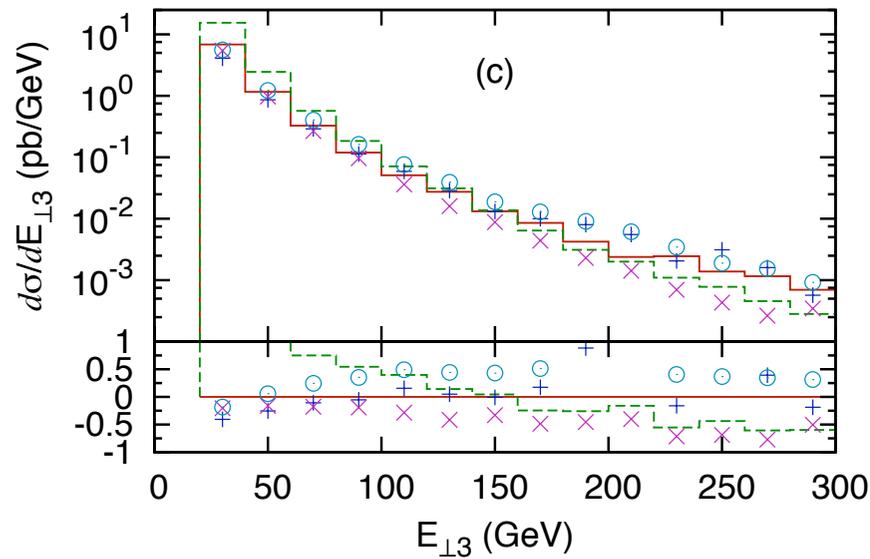
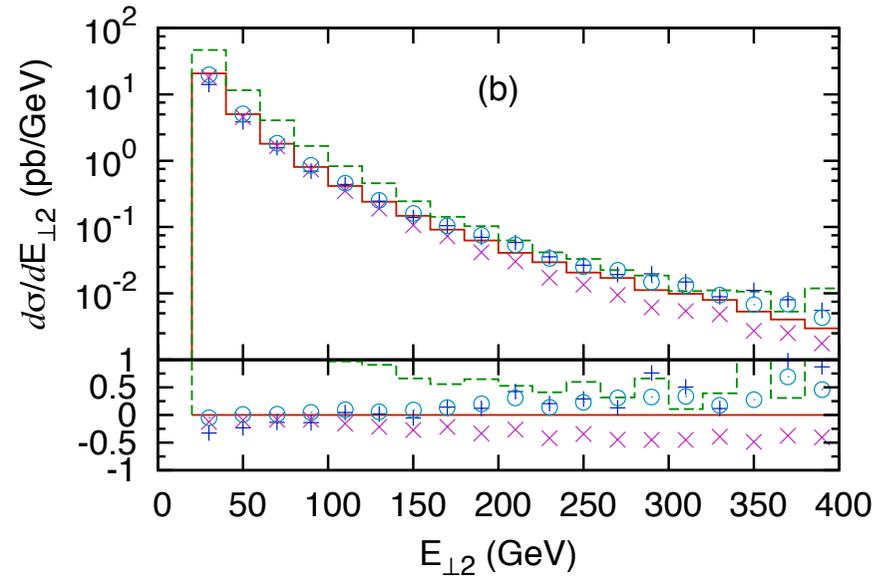
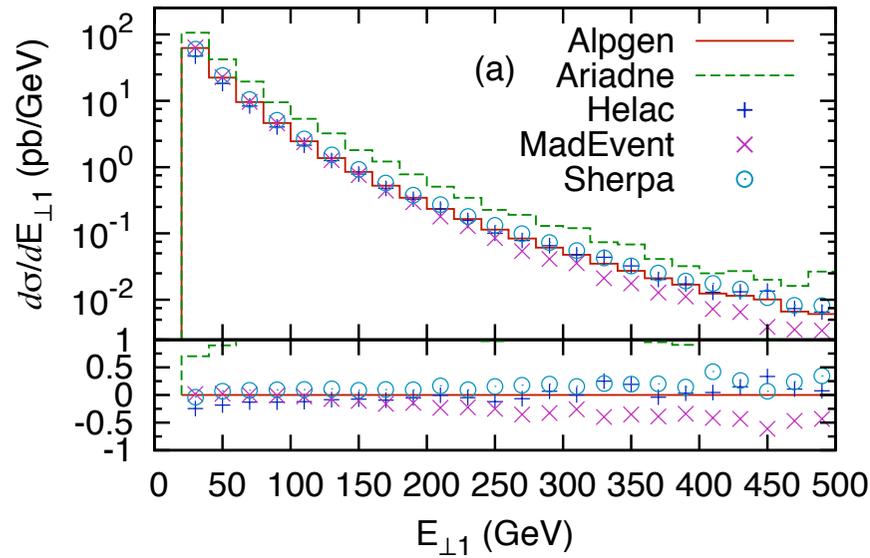
# W + Multijets (Tevatron)



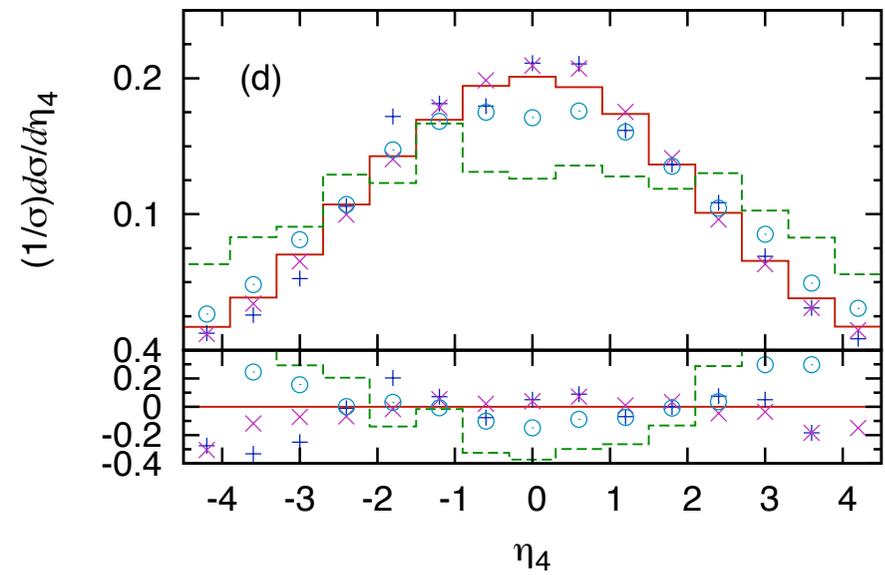
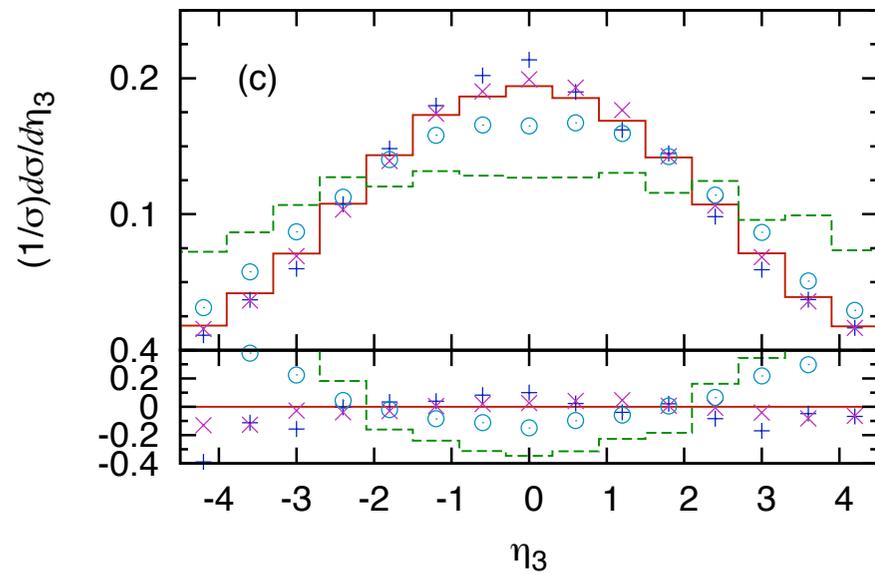
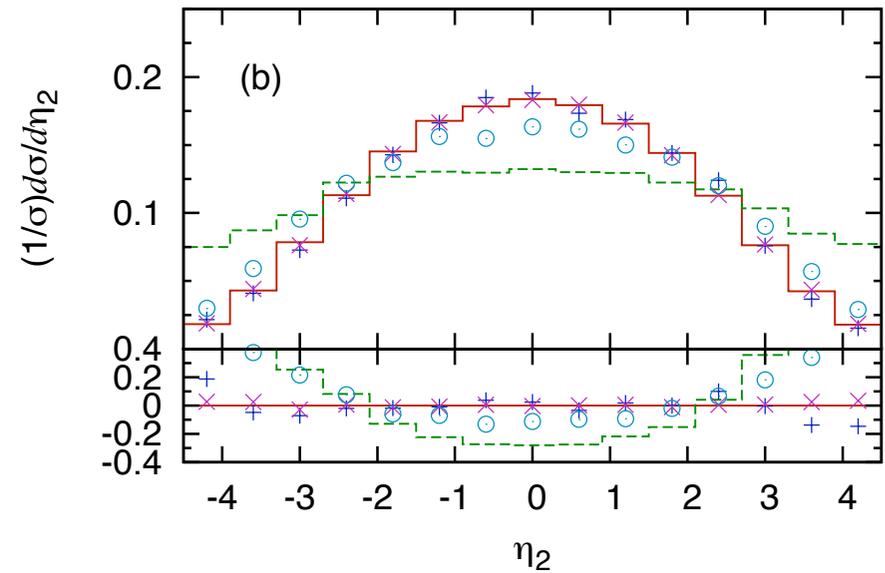
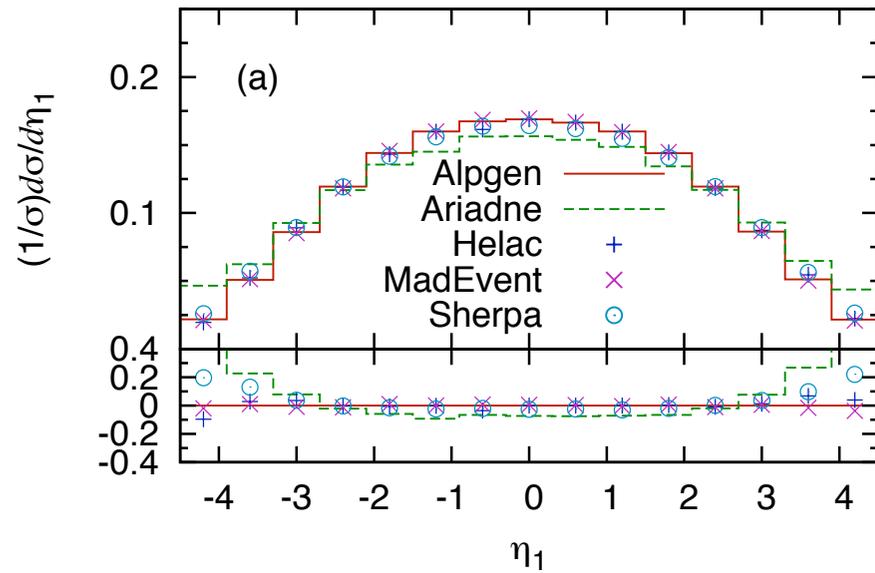
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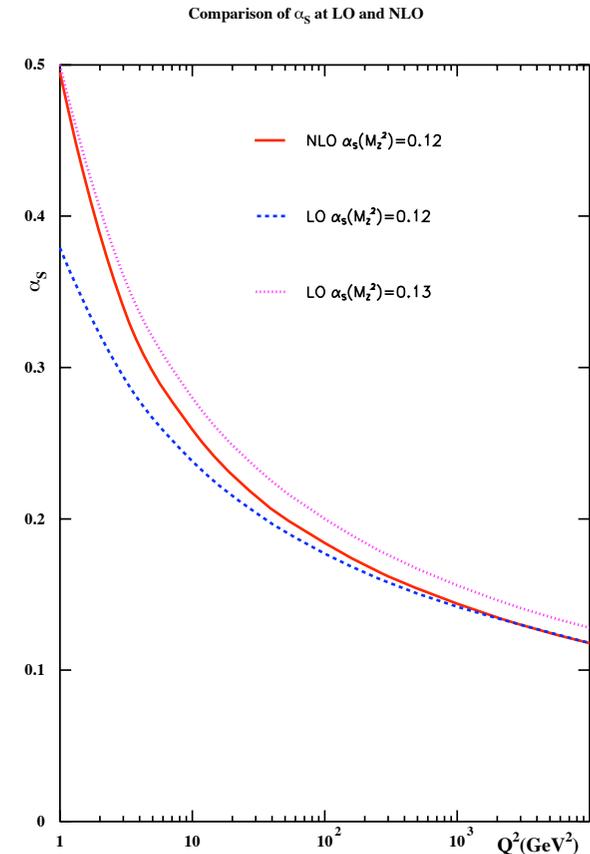
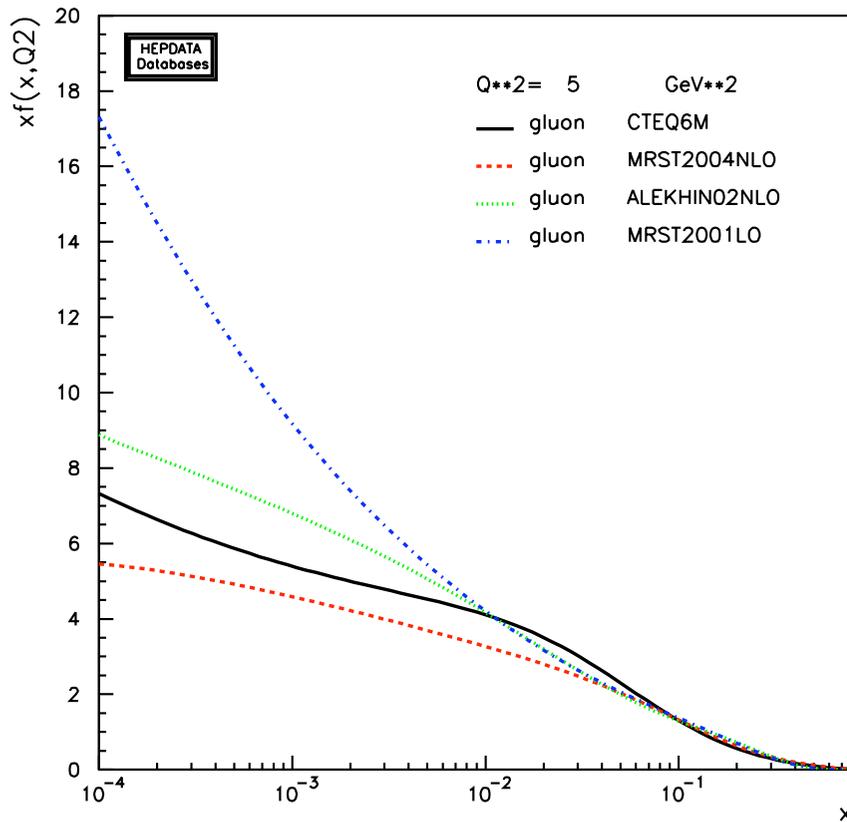


# W + Multijets (LHC)



# PDFs for LO MCs

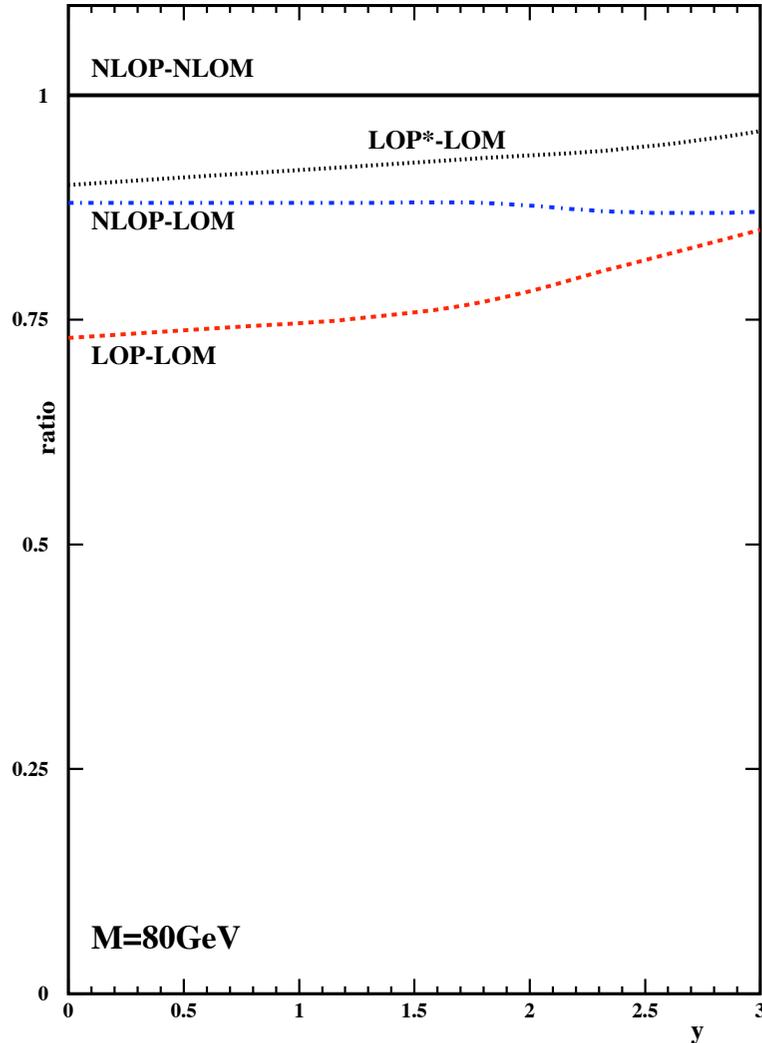
- Lack of NLO  $\Rightarrow$  large LO gluon
- Fast evolution at low  $Q^2 \Rightarrow$  large  $\alpha_s$
- Proposal: use NLO  $\alpha_s$ , no mom. cons'n  
 $\Rightarrow$  Good fits, close to NLO



A Sherstnev & RS Thorne arXiv:0711.2473

# LO\* PDFs

Drell-Yan Cross-section at LHC for 80 GeV with Different Orders



$$pp \rightarrow jj$$

pdf type	matrix element	$\sigma$ ( $\mu\text{b}$ )	K-factor
NLO	NLO	183.2	
LO	LO	149.8	1.22
NLO	LO	115.7	1.58
LO*	LO	177.5	1.03

$$pp \rightarrow H$$

pdf type	matrix element	$\sigma$ (pb)	K-factor
NLO	NLO	38.0	
LO	LO	22.4	1.70
NLO	LO	20.3	1.87
LO*	LO	32.4	1.17

# Conclusions?

- New generation of OO MCs
  - ❖ More adaptable for BSM
  - ❖ Need user feedback and tuning
- Continuous improvements
  - ❖ Precision: NLO & n-jet matching
  - ❖ Modelling: UE, PDFs, intrinsic  $p_t$ , ...