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# Sherpa Tutorial

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## Part I: Introduction to Sherpa

- Status of development
- Physics modules
  - Selected results

## Part II: Hands-on examples

- Installation guide
- Examples:
  - Z+jets production @ Tevatron
  - Diboson production
  - Decay chains
  - ...

## Scope of the project:

- Provide a **multi-purpose tool**, capable of simulating
  - SM backgrounds as well as
  - new physics scenarios (e.g. MSSM, ADD)  
at  $ee$ ,  $\gamma\gamma$  and hadron colliders (others to come)

## Special emphasis:

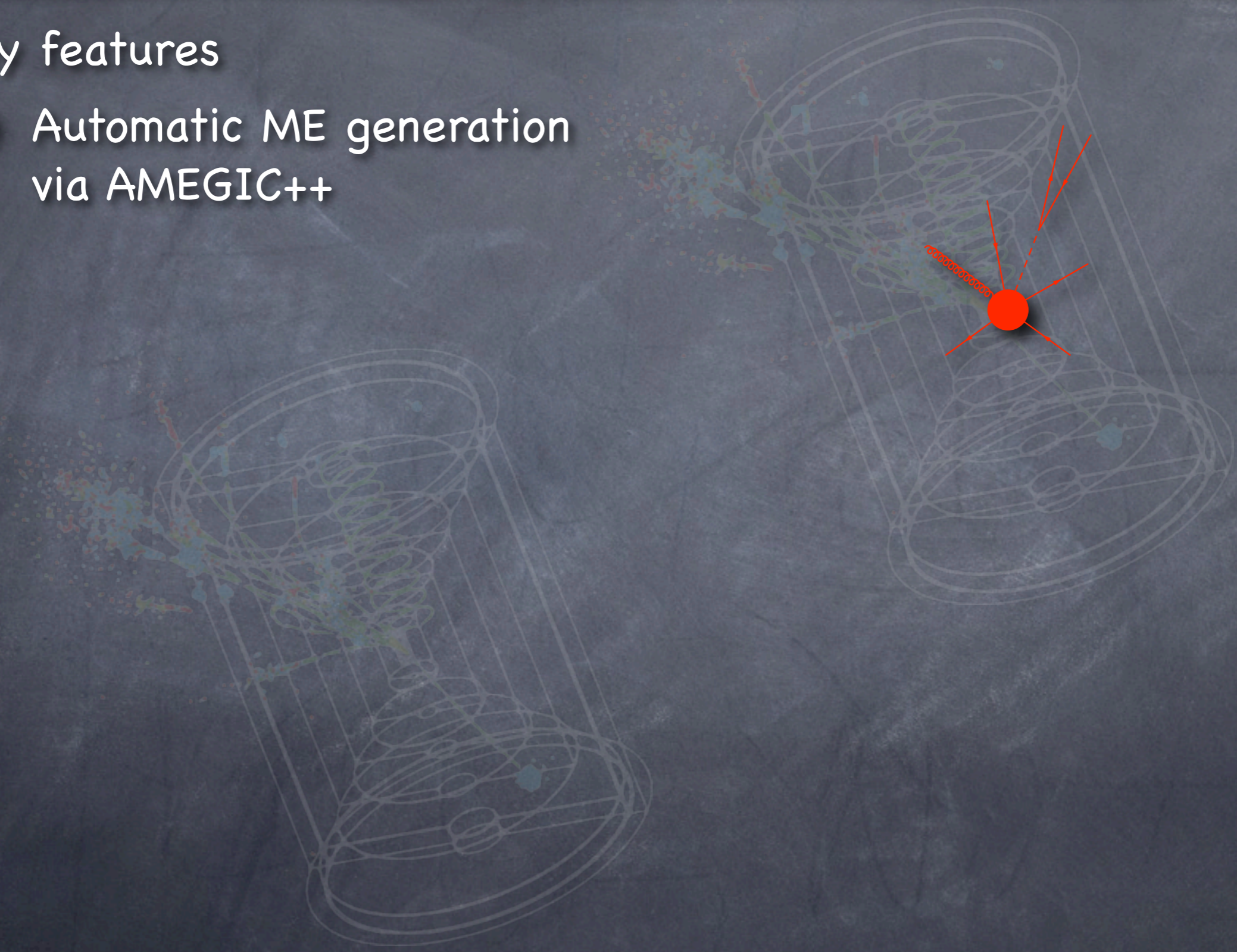
- Account for **multi-jet production** through tree level MEs
- Combine ME and PS using **CKKW** prescription to obtain inclusive event samples

## Where to find us:

- <http://www.sherpa-mc.de>  
for downloads, manual, bug reports ...
- T. Gleisberg, SH, F. Krauss, A. Schälicke, S. Schumann  
and J. Winter JHEP 0402:056,2004

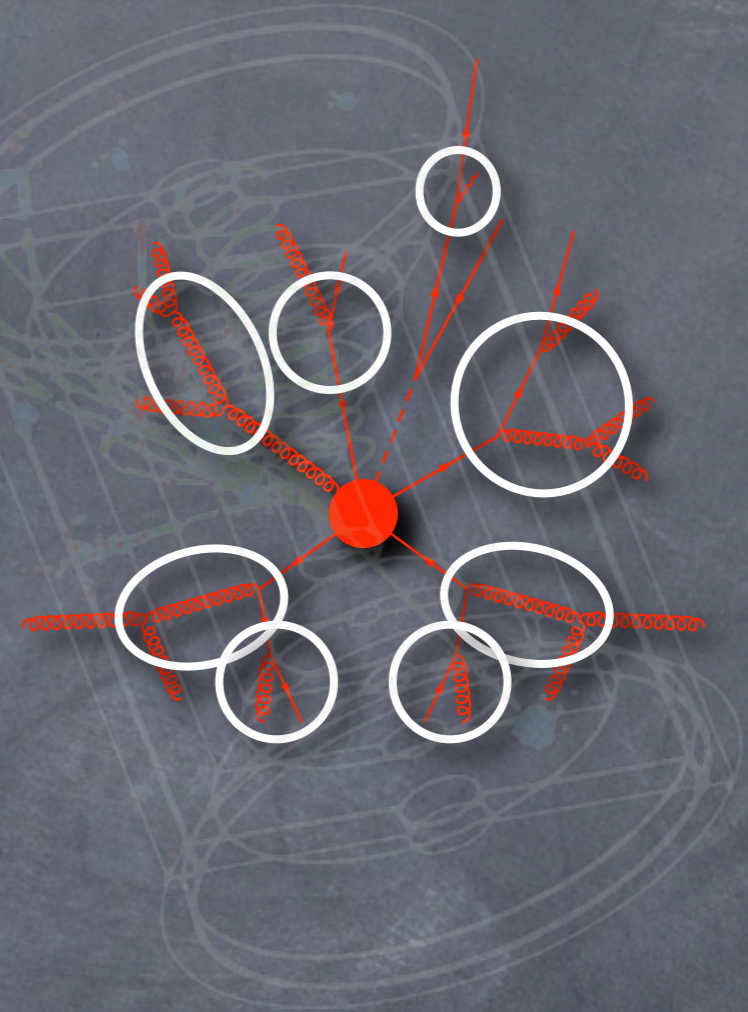
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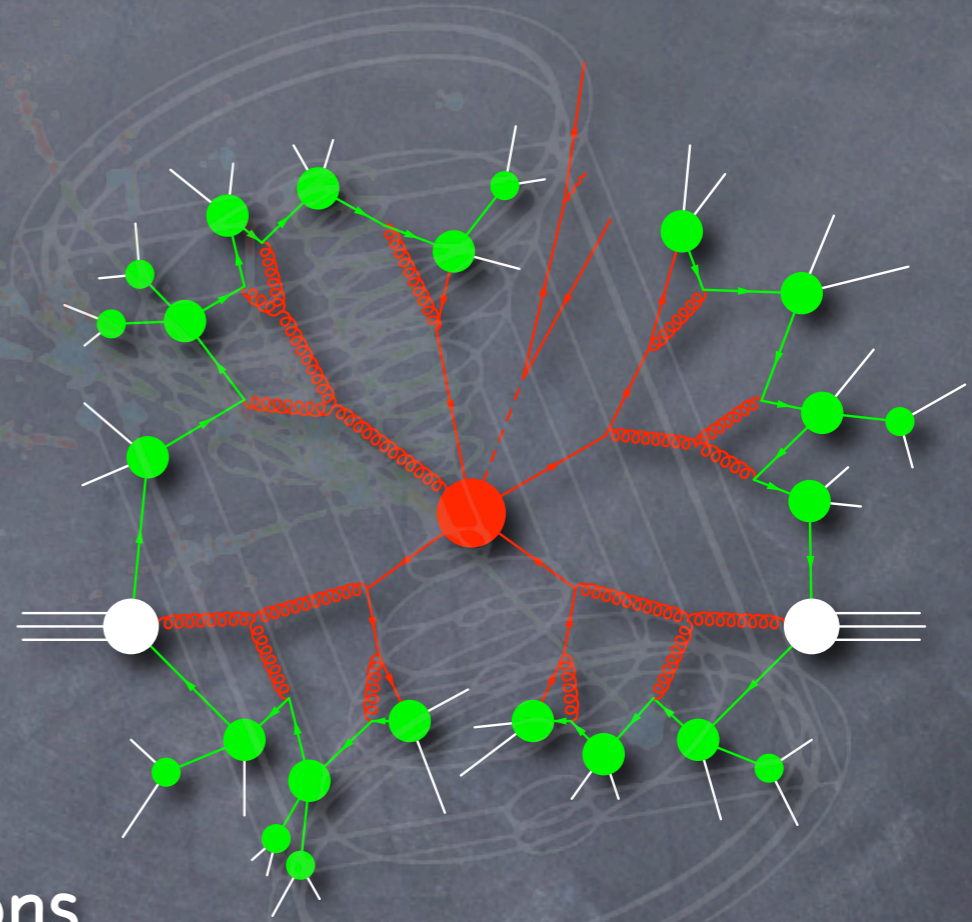
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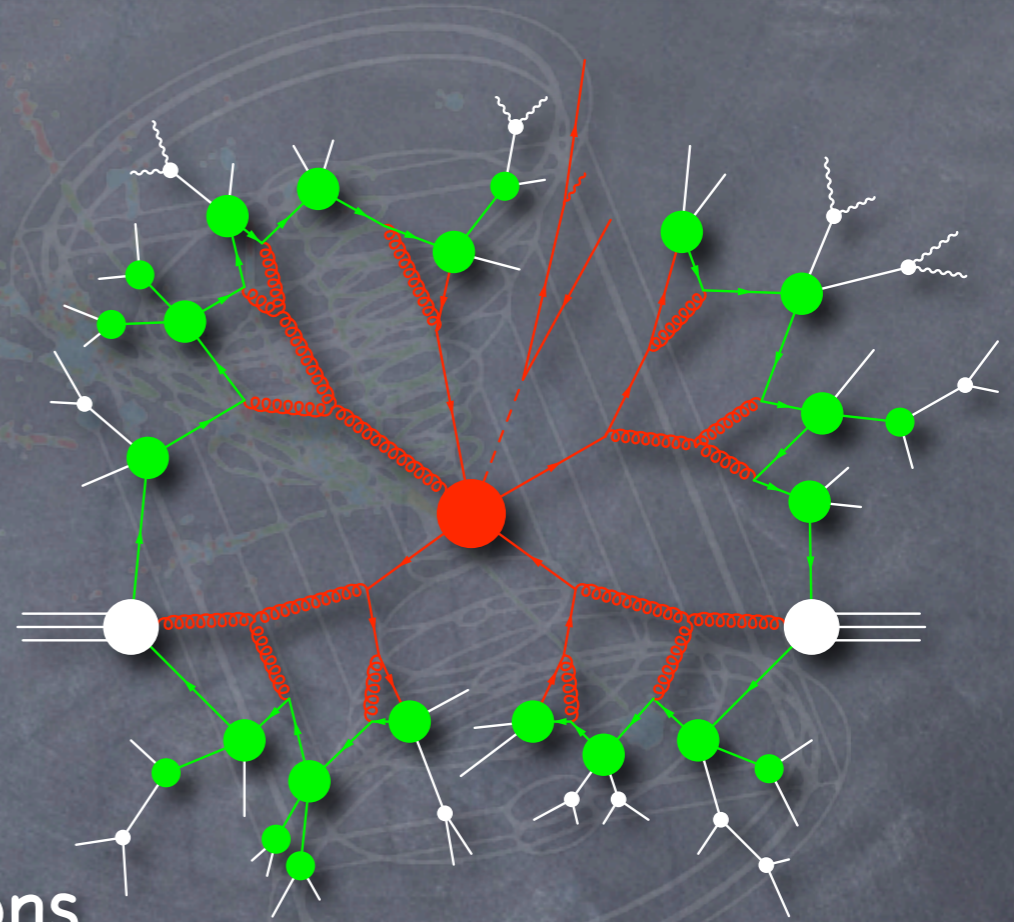
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Sherpa itself is the framework for steering the generator

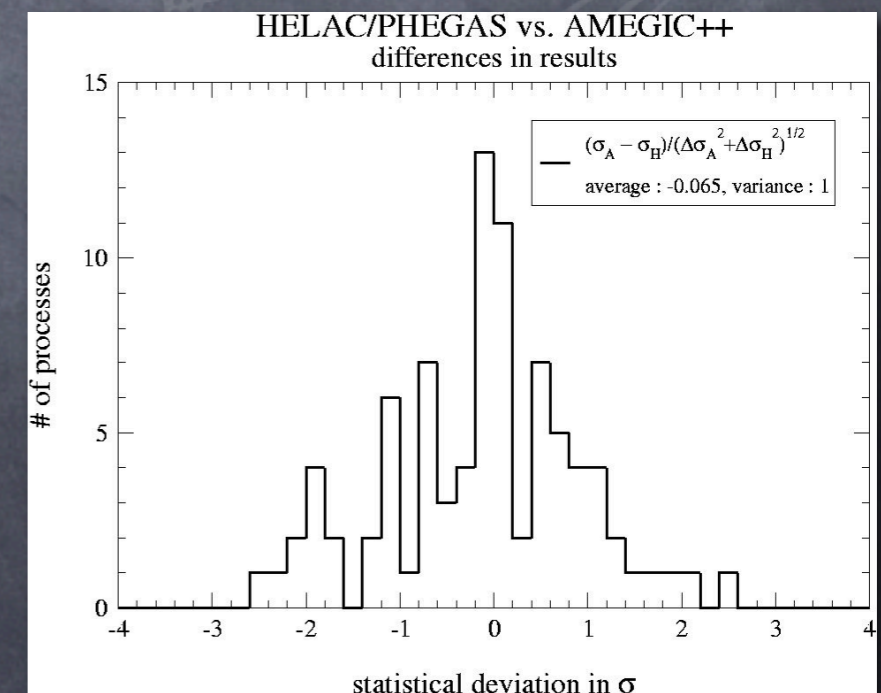


R.Kuhn, F.Krauss, G.Soff, JHEP 0202:044,2002

Sherpas built in ME Generator provides

- Fully automated calculation of (polarised) cross sections in the SM, MSSM and ADD model
- Performance comparable to that of dedicated codes
- Study of signal and backgrounds in one framework
- Expandability (new physics models)

- Extensively tested e.g. in  $e^+e^- \rightarrow 6f$  vs. HELAC/PHEGAS
- Recent comparison of arbitrary  $2 \rightarrow 2$  SUSY processes vs. WHIZARD/O'Mega & SMadGraph  
K.Hagiwara, W. Kilian, F.Krauss, T.Ohl, T.Plehn,  
D.Rainwater, J.Reuter, S.Schumann hep-ph/0512260



AMEGIC++ is a generator-generator:

- Given initial and final state, **AMEGIC++ constructs diagrams**
- Translates diagrams into **helicity amplitudes**
- Generates **phase space mappings** for each diagram  
( to be used in multi-channel integration )



$$D_{iso}(23, 45) \otimes P_0(23) \otimes P_0(45) \\ \otimes D_{iso}(2, 3) \otimes D_{iso}(4, 5)$$

- **C++ code** representing all the above stored to disk ...

New features:

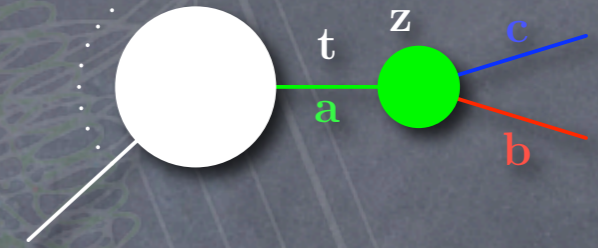
- MSSM spectra can be read from **SLHA input files**
- **Specific decay modes** of particles can be enforced  
e.g.  $t \rightarrow W^+ \rightarrow bl^+ \nu_l$  or  $\tilde{e}_R \rightarrow e^- \tilde{\chi}_1^0$

R.Kuhn, F.Krauss, G.Ivanyi, G.Soff, CPC 134 (2001) 223

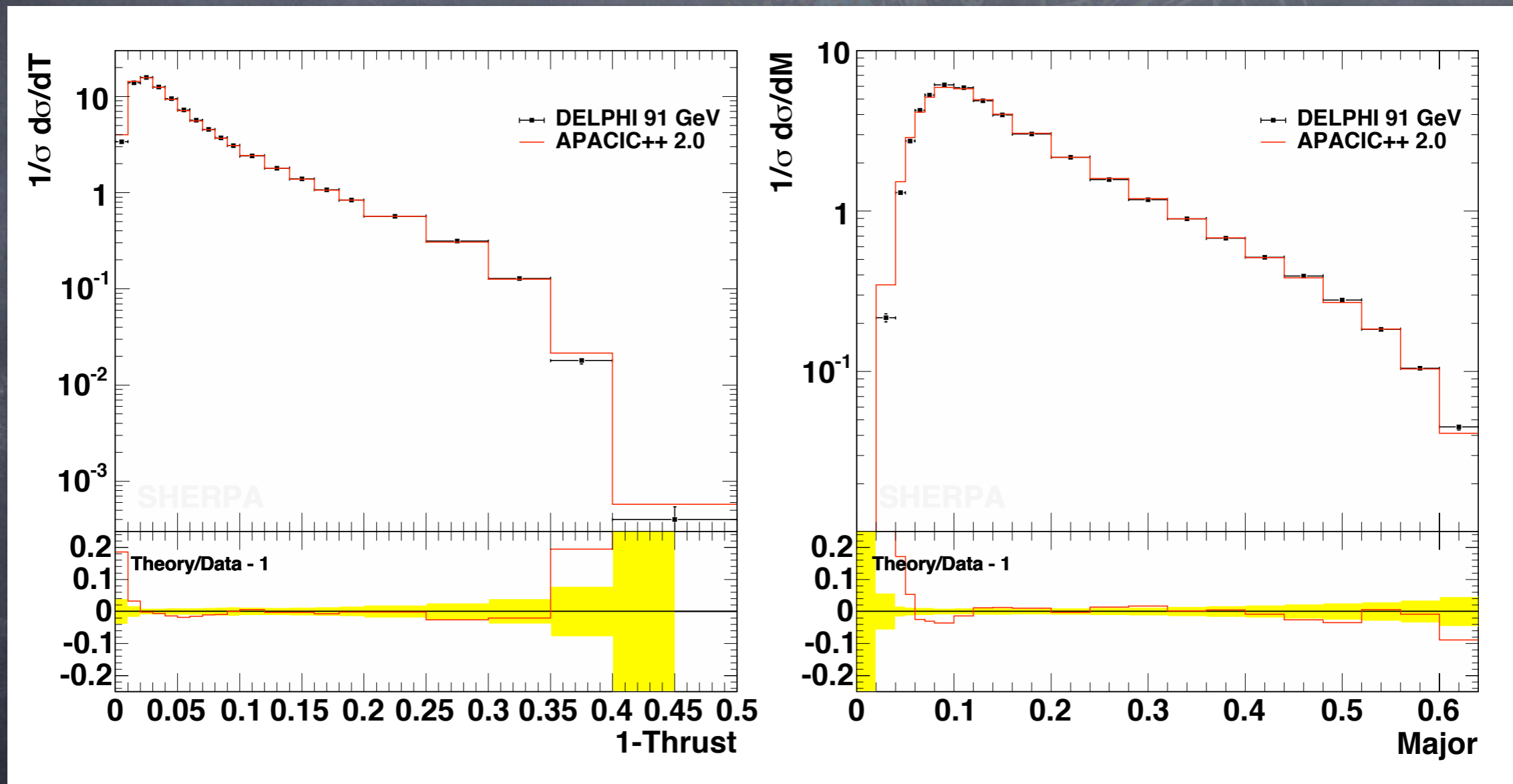
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## Features of Sherpas parton shower:

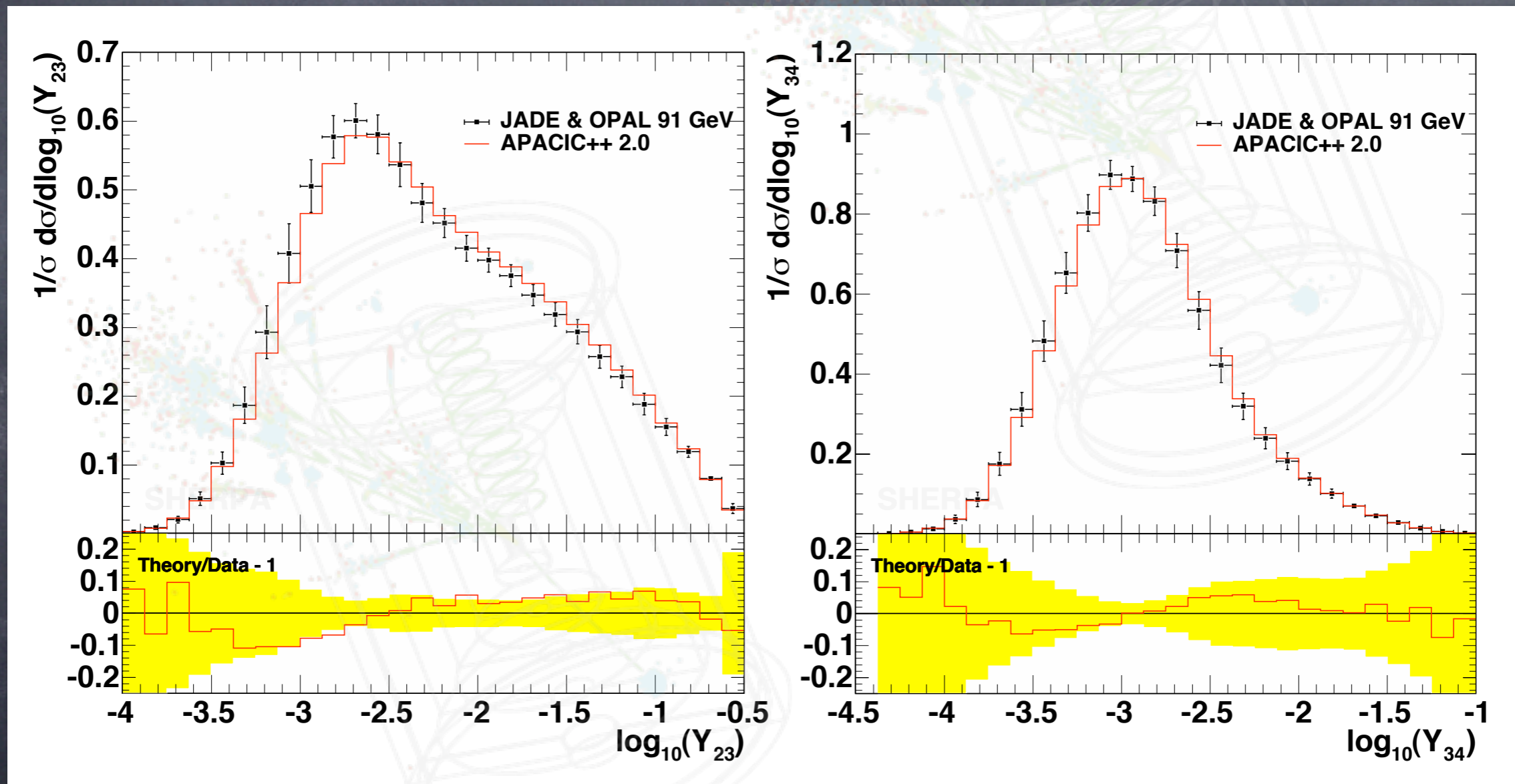
- **Virtuality ordered** parton cascade, colour coherence imposed by **angular veto**
- Final and initial state radiation in  **$e^+e^-$  and hadron collisions** (no DIS-like situations so far)
- Extensively tested (see next slides)
- Algorithm **similar to old PYTHIA** shower
- **2nd key ingredient of CKKW** implementation in Sherpa ( 1st is AMEGIC++ )



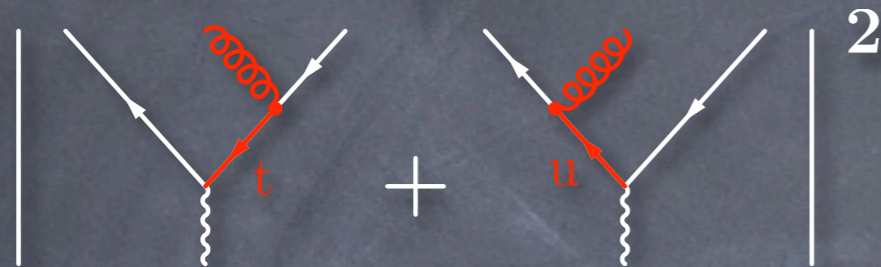
- Event shapes in  $e^+e^-$  annihilation at  $E_{\text{cms}} = 91 \text{ GeV}$  (LEP)



- Diff. jet rates in  $e^+e^-$  annihilation at  $E_{\text{cms}} = 91 \text{ GeV}$  (LEP)

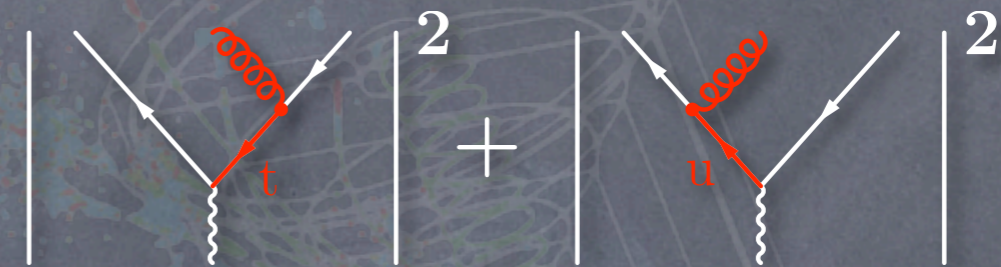


## Matrix Elements



- Exact to fixed order in running coupling  $\alpha$
- Include all quantum interferences
- Calculable only for low FS multiplicity (  $n \leq 6-8$  )

## Parton Showers



$$d\sigma_{n+1} = d\sigma_n \otimes \sum_{b \in q, g} \frac{dt}{t} dz \frac{\alpha_s(t, z)}{2\pi} P_{a \rightarrow b}(z)$$

- Resum (next-to) leading logarithms to all orders
- Interference effects e.g. through angular ordering

- ➔ Desirable to combine both approaches to have
- Good description of hard/wide-angle emissions (ME)
  - Correct intrajet evolution (PS)
- ➔ Must prevent double counting through CKKW

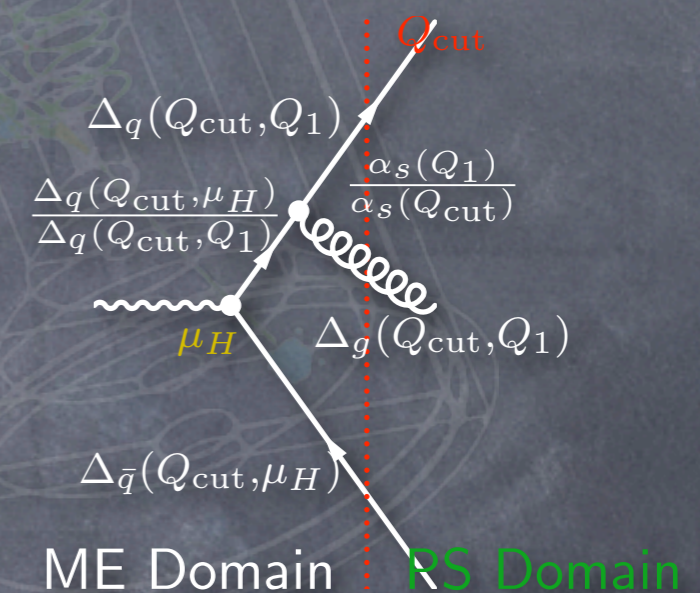
- Define jet resolution parameter  $Q_{\text{cut}}$  (Q-jet measure)  
 → divide phase space into regions of jet production (n-jet ME) & jet evolution (PS)

- Select jet multiplicity and kinematics according to  $\sigma$  'above'  $Q_{\text{cut}}$

- $K_T$  cluster backwards (construct PS tree) and identify core process

- Reweight ME to get exclusive samples at resolution scale  $Q_{\text{cut}}$

- Start PS at scale  $\mu_{\text{hard}}$ , reject all emissions above  $Q_{\text{cut}}$

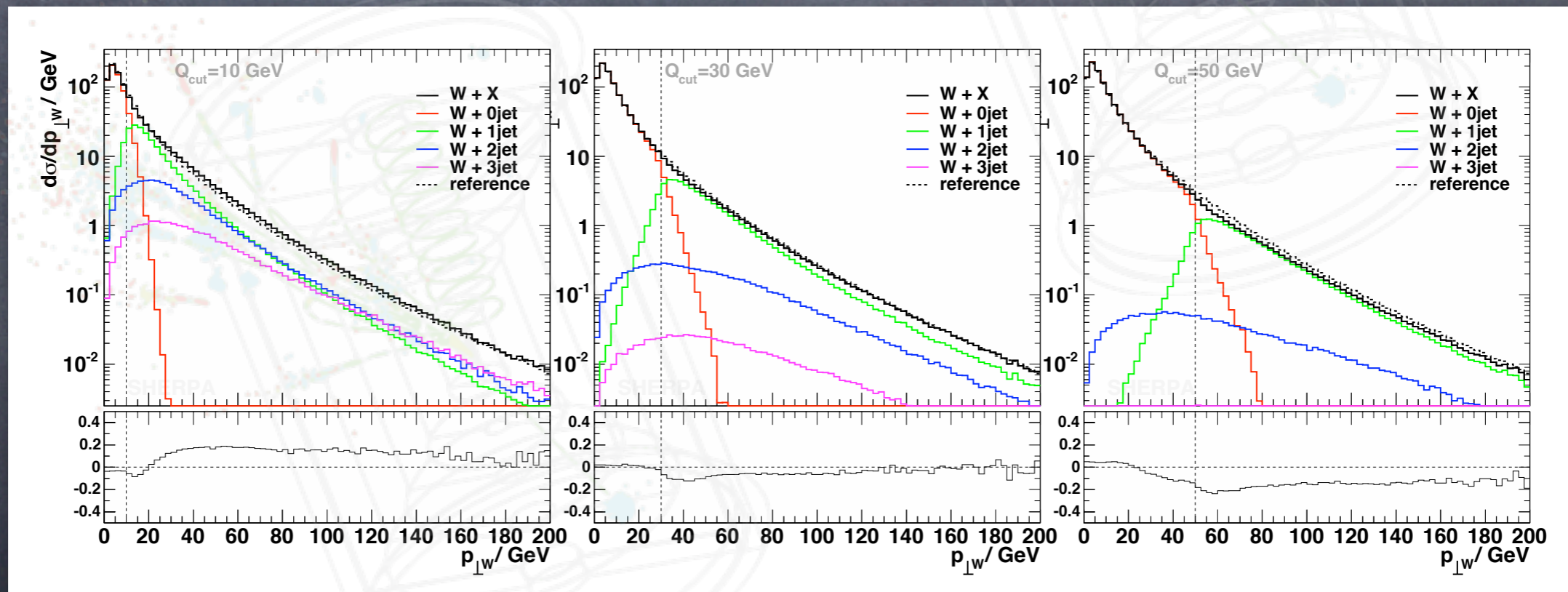


→ This yields the correct jet rates!  
 e.g. 2-jet rate in 2-jet event at scale  $q$

$$R_2(q^2) = \left( \Delta(Q_{\text{cut}}, \mu_{\text{hard}}) \frac{\Delta(q, \mu_{\text{hard}})}{\Delta(Q_{\text{cut}}, \mu_{\text{hard}})} \right)^2$$



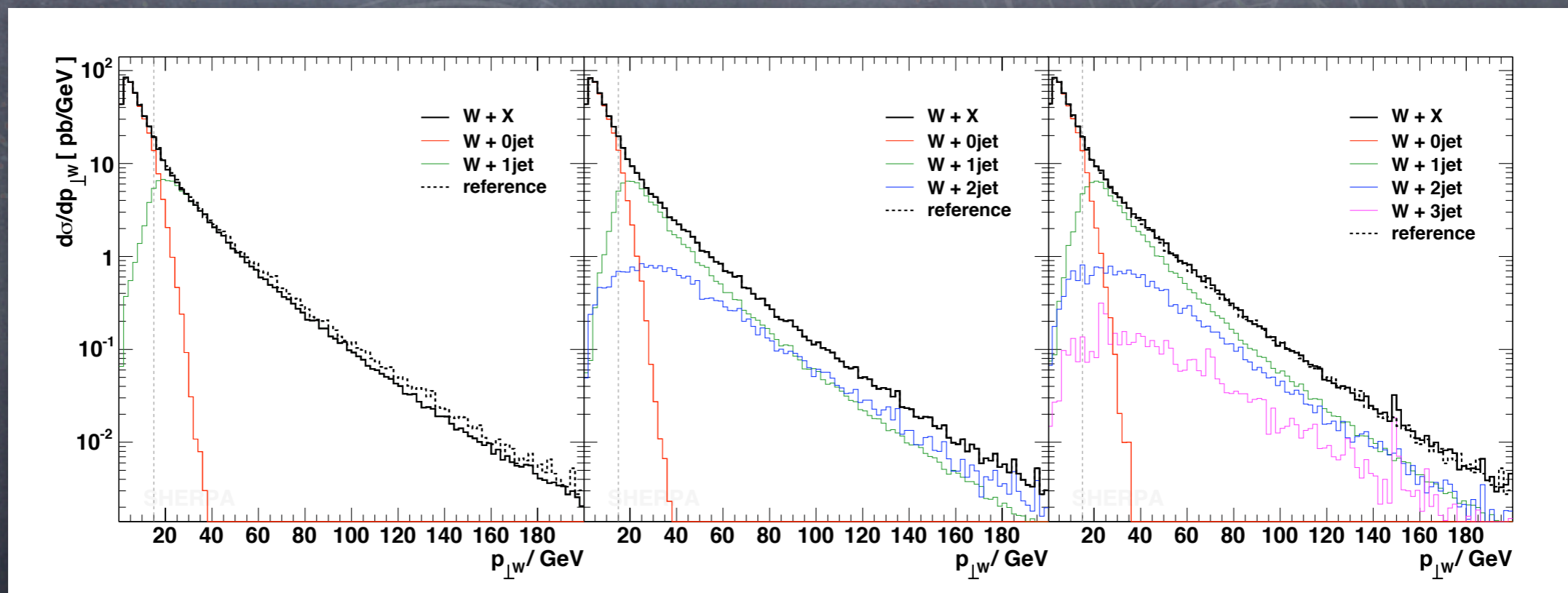
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Stability tests of the procedure  
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➔ Variation of phase space separation cut  $Q_{\text{cut}}$



## ● Global K-factor

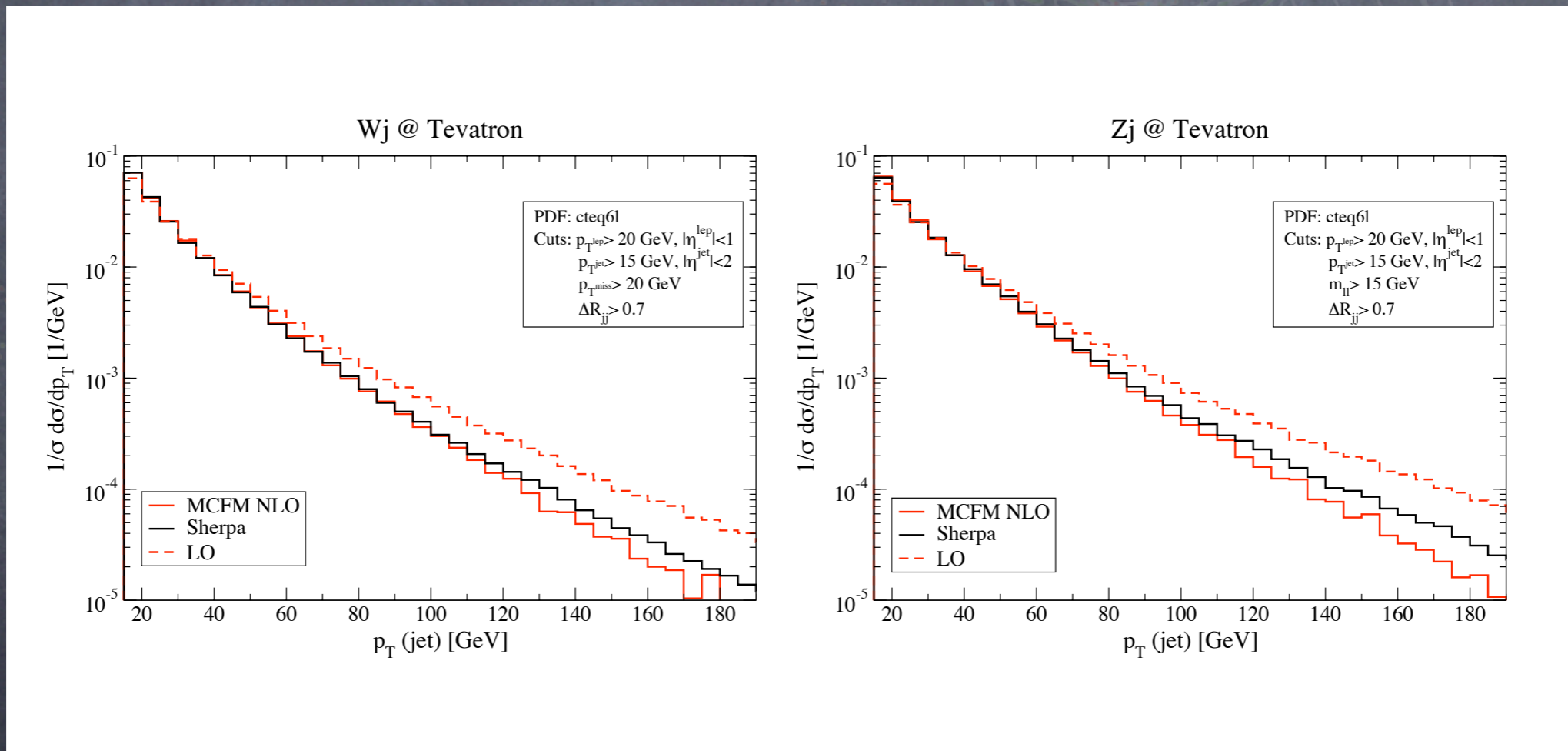


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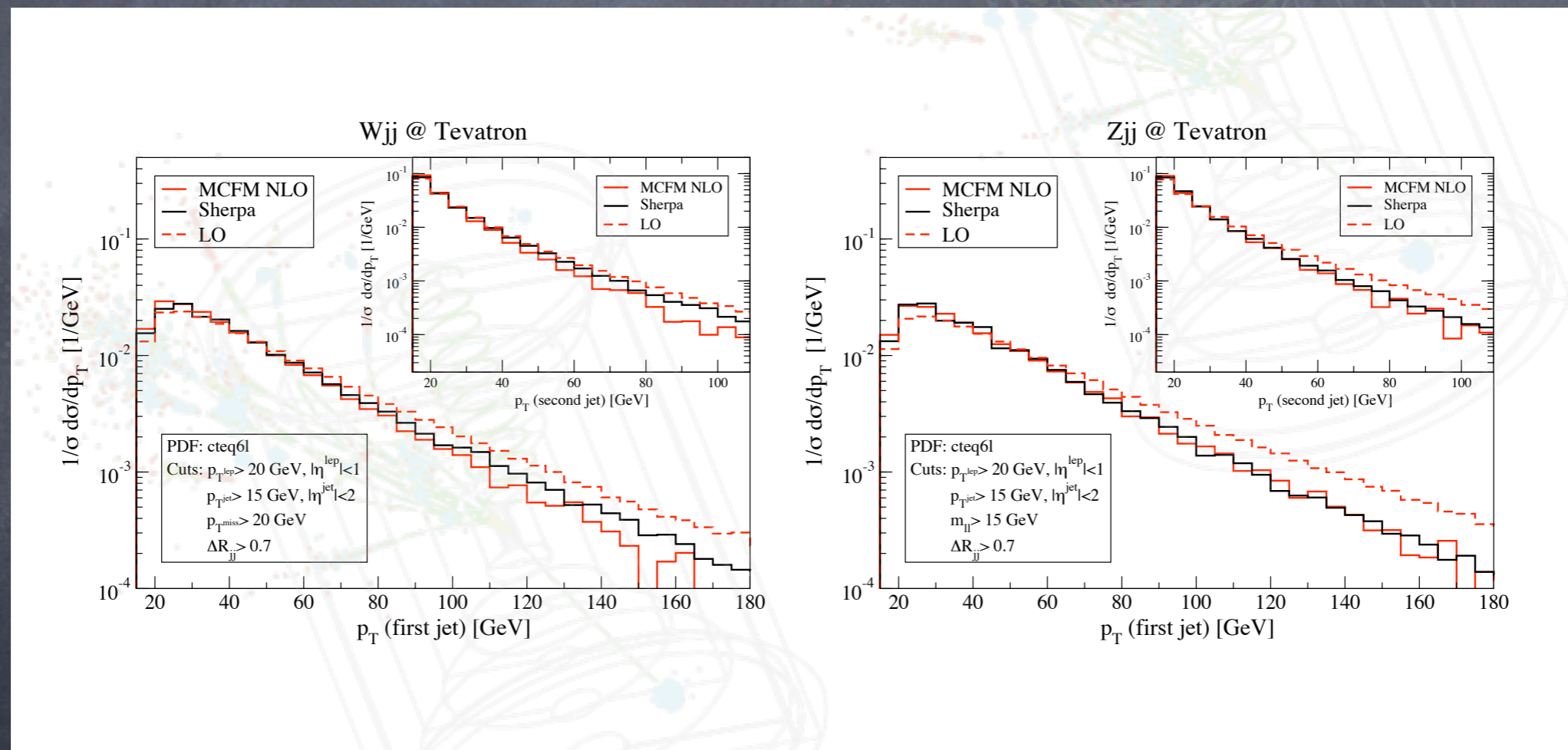
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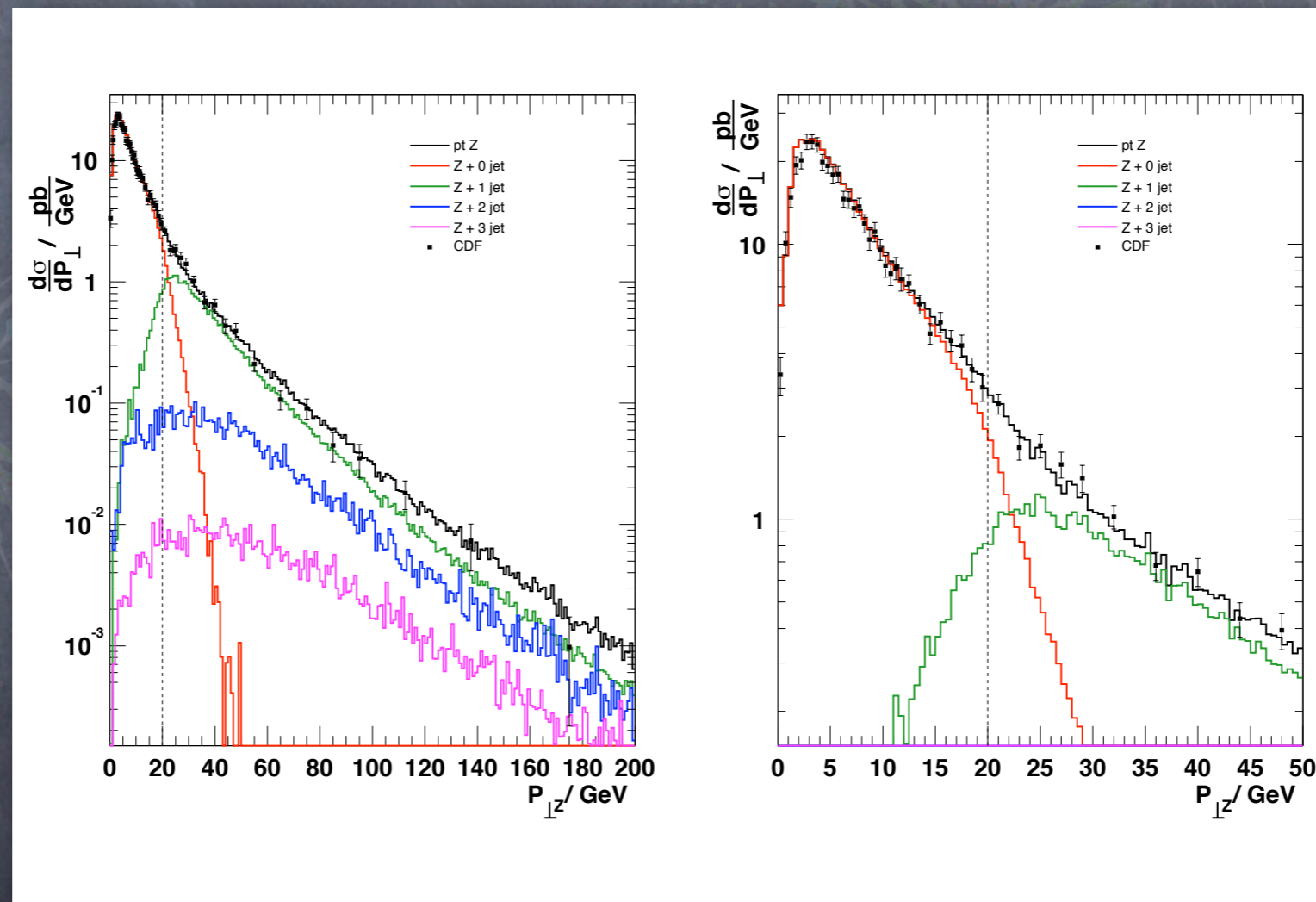
- Jet  $p_T$  in  $W^-$  and  $Z+2jet$  events  
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A.Schälicke, F. Krauss JHEP 0507:018,2005

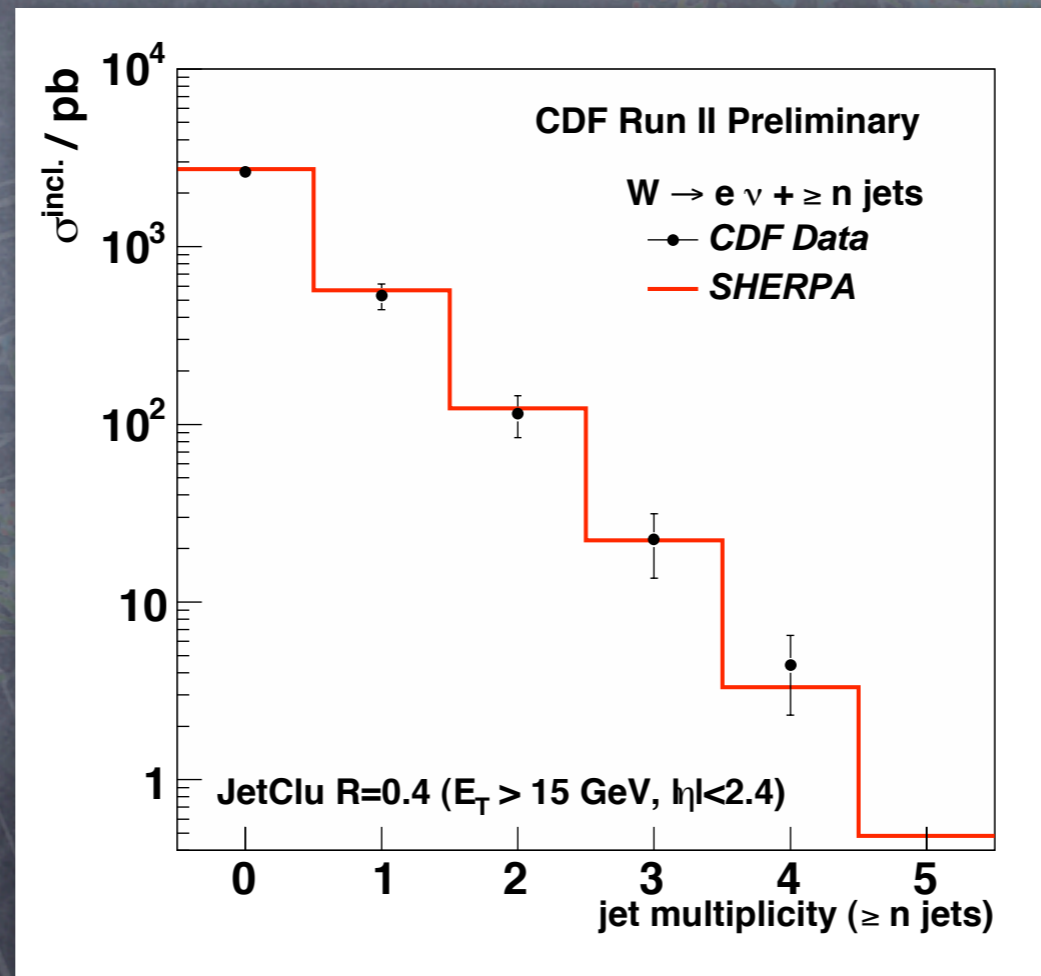
- $p_{T,Z}$  measured at CDF  
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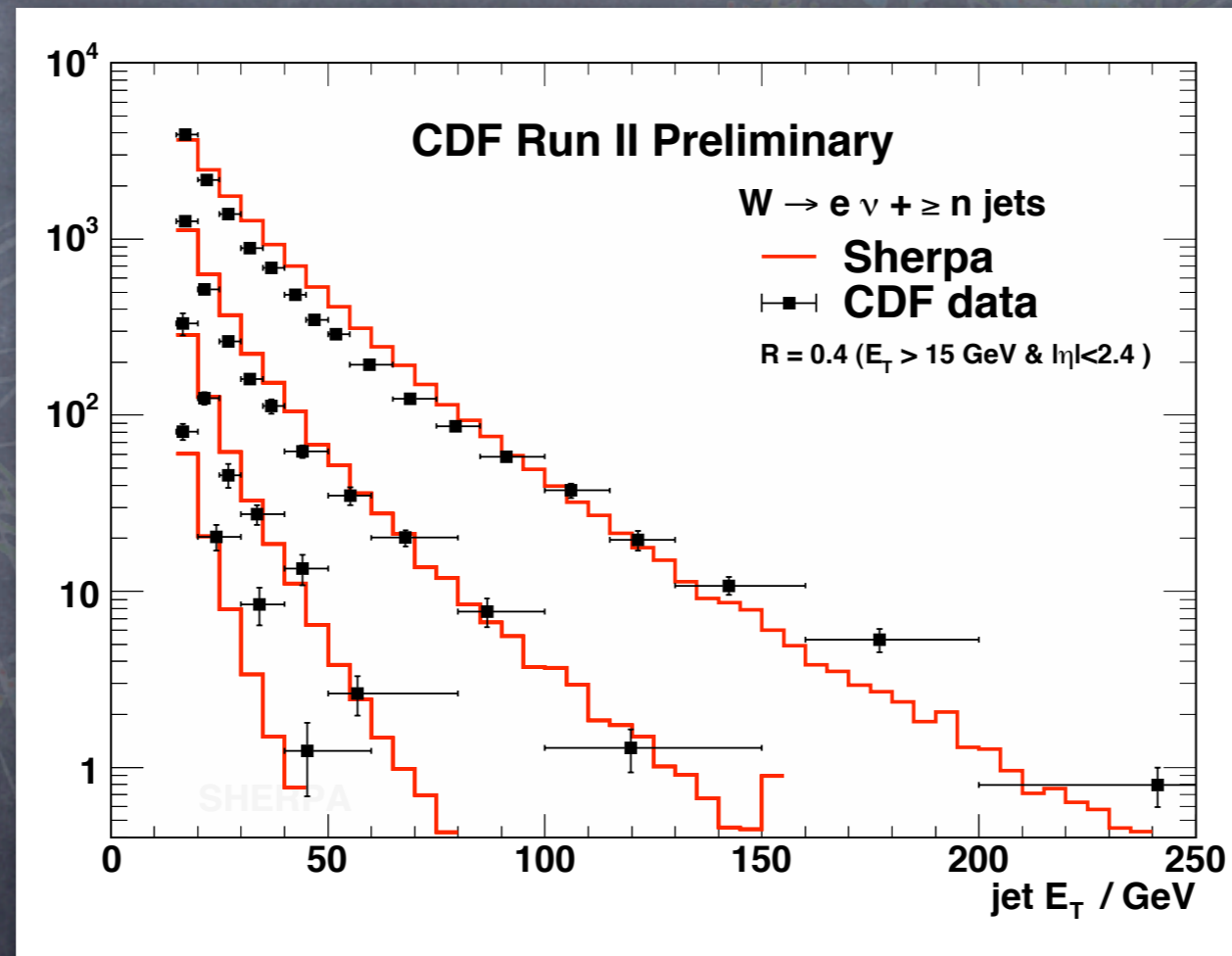
- Inclusive jet cross sections,  
CDF ( hep-ex/0405067 )



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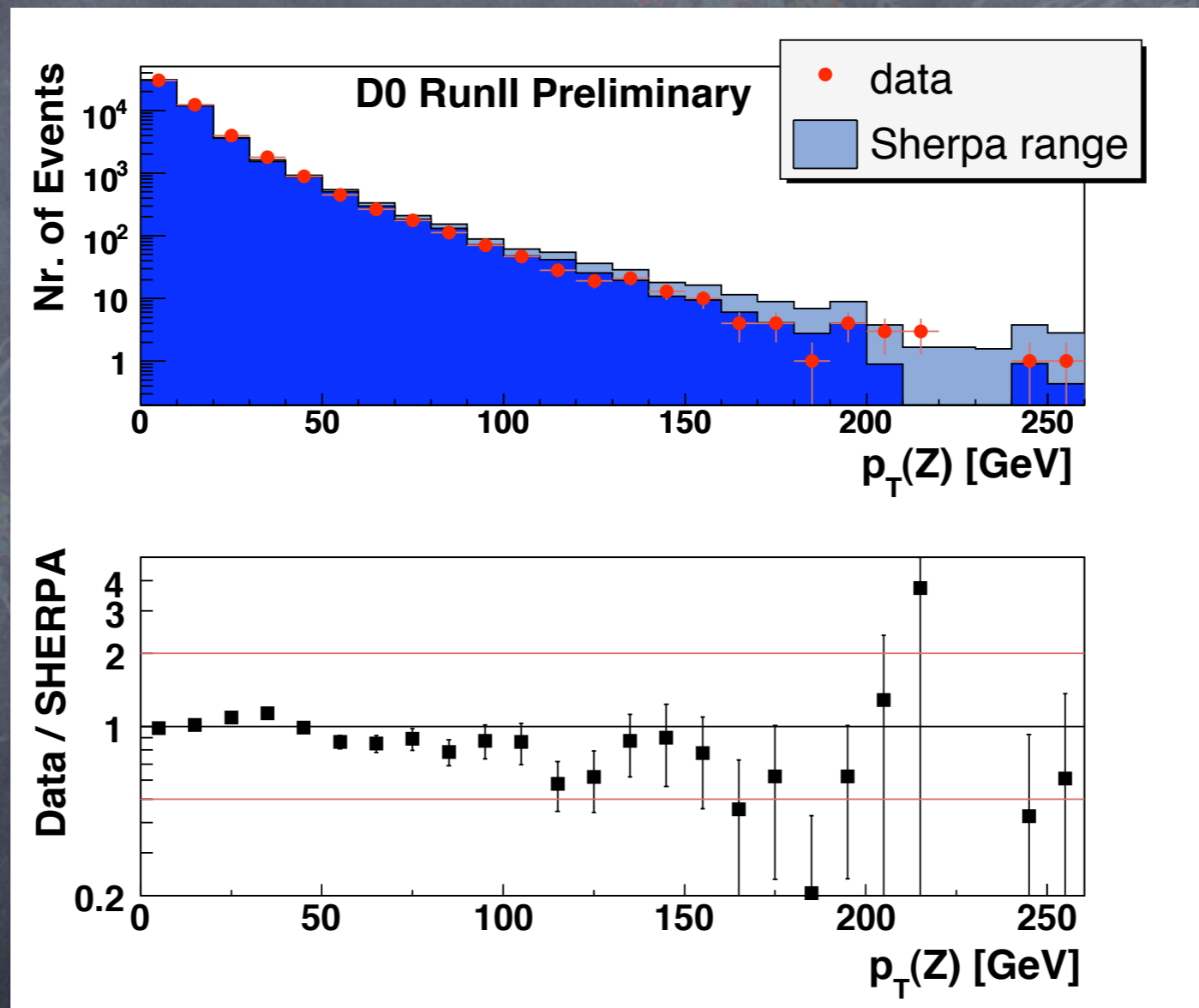
- jet- $p_T$ , measured at CDF  
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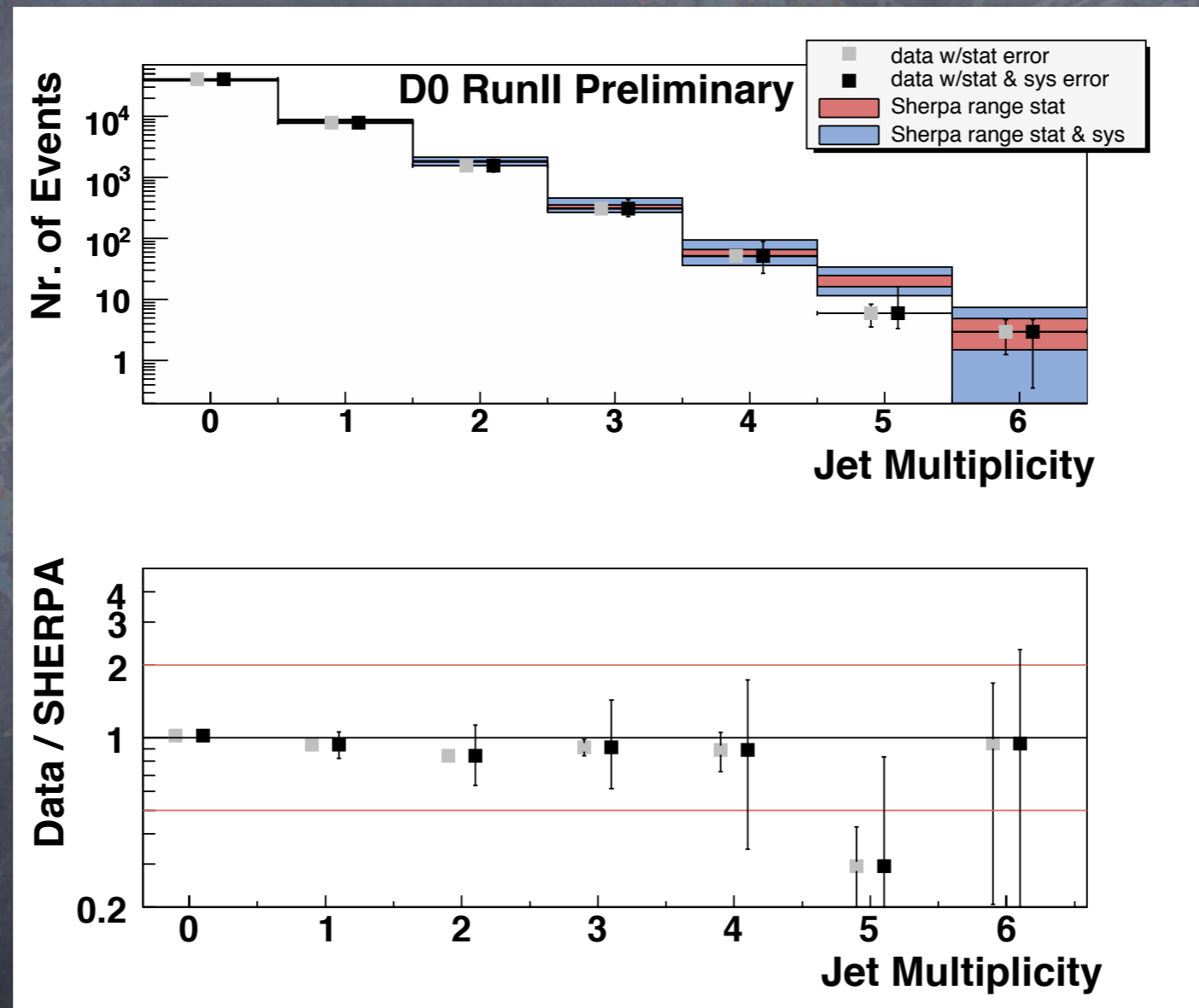
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● Z- $p_T$ , measured at DØ



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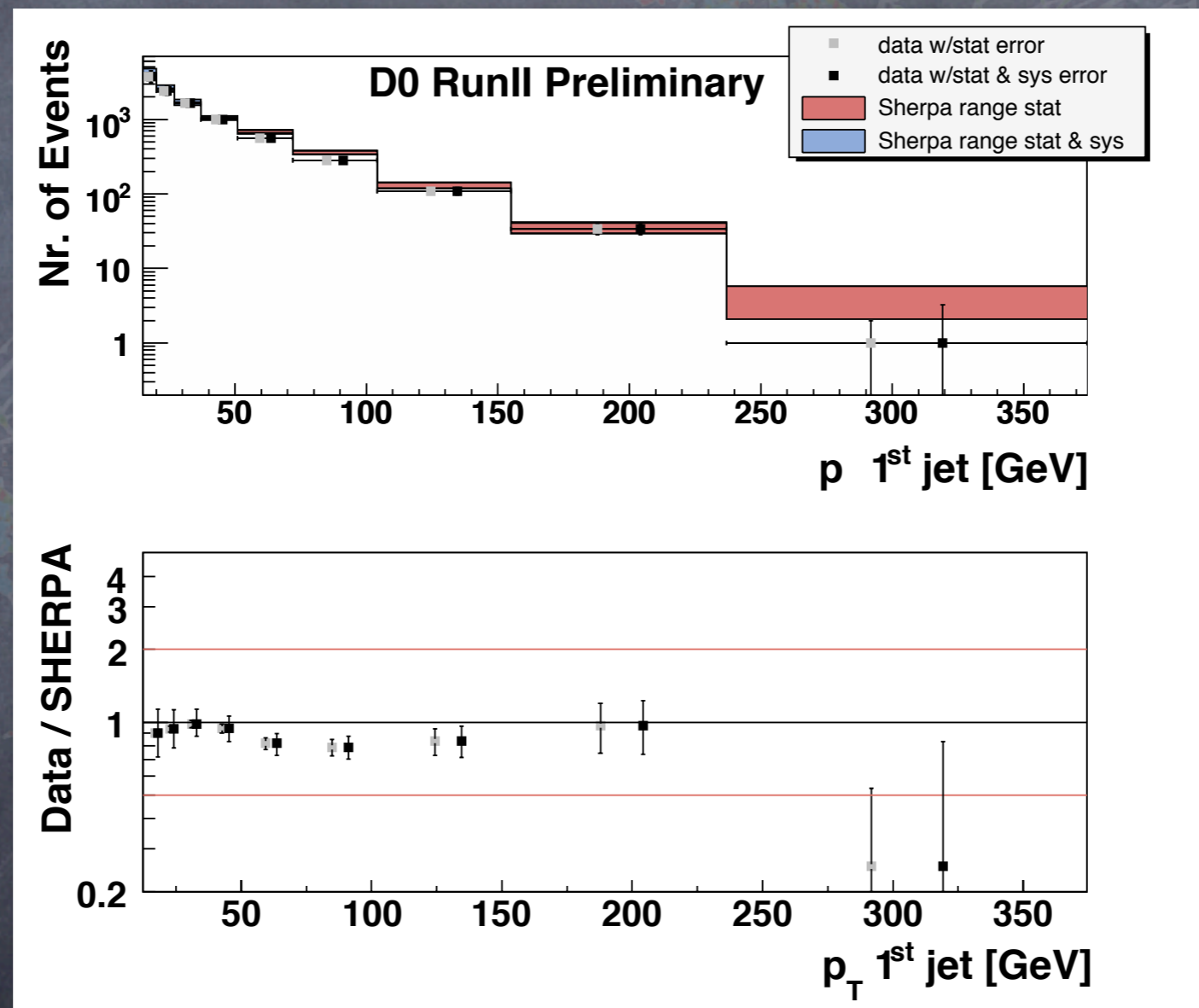
● jet multiplicity, measured at DØ





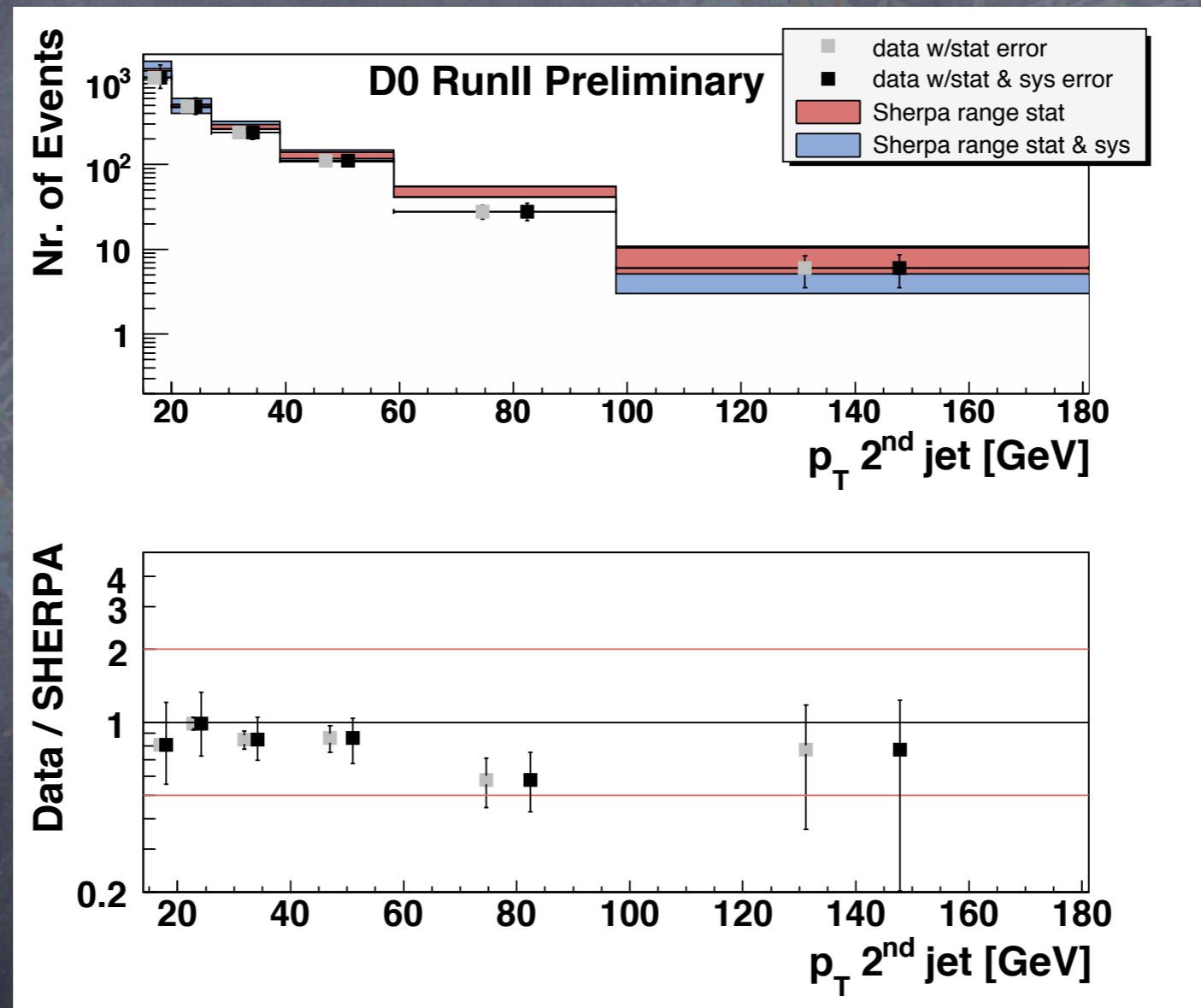
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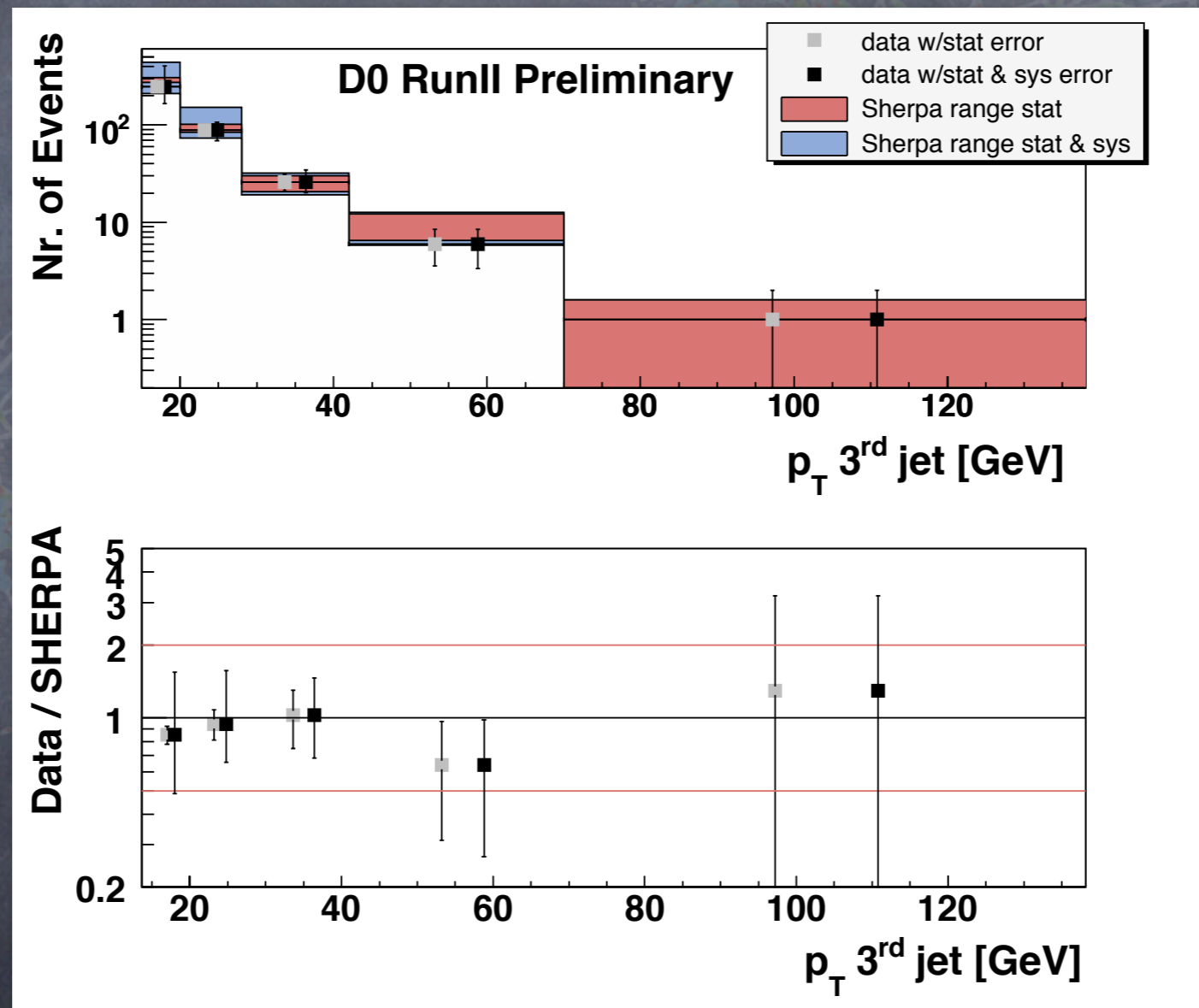
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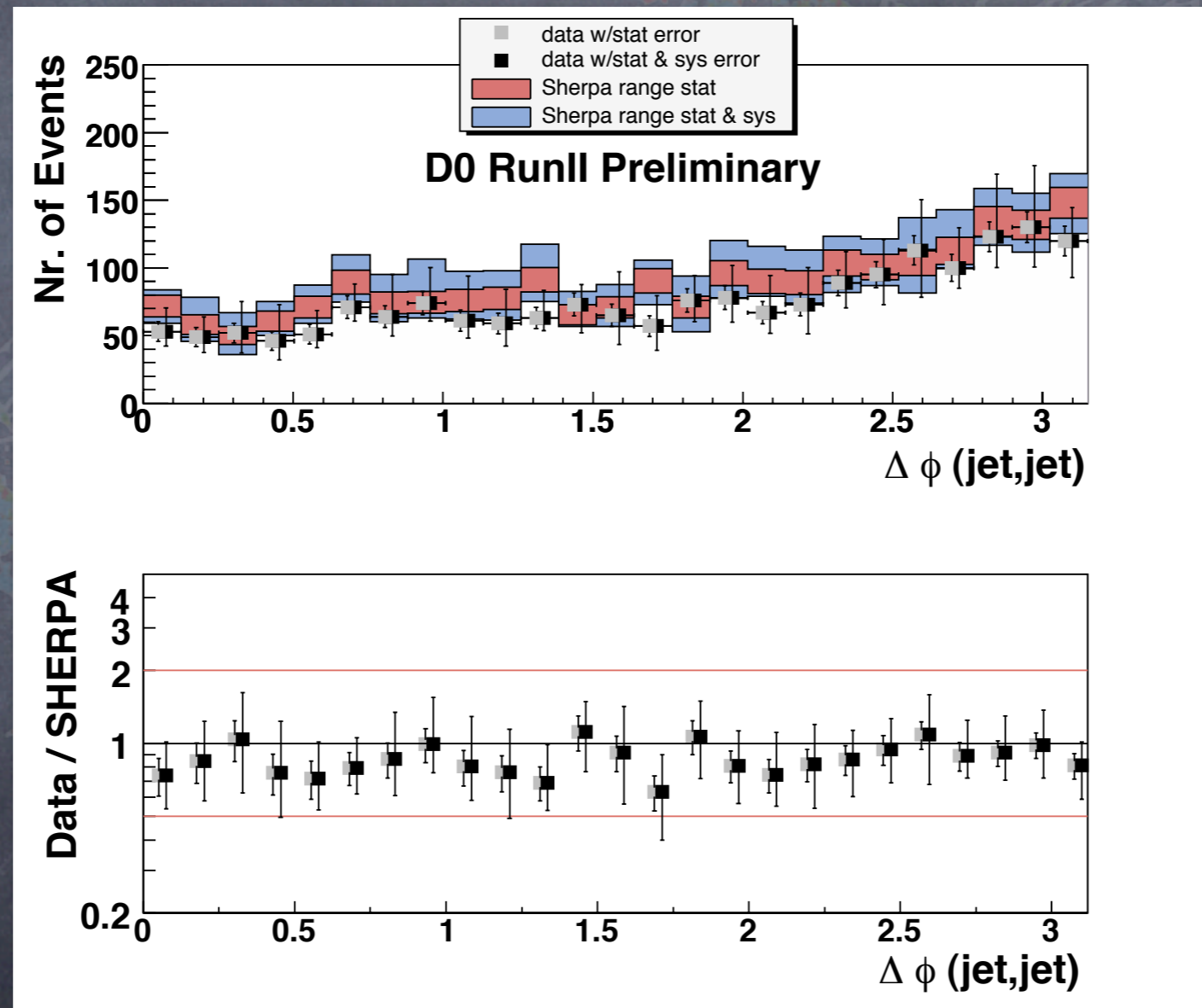
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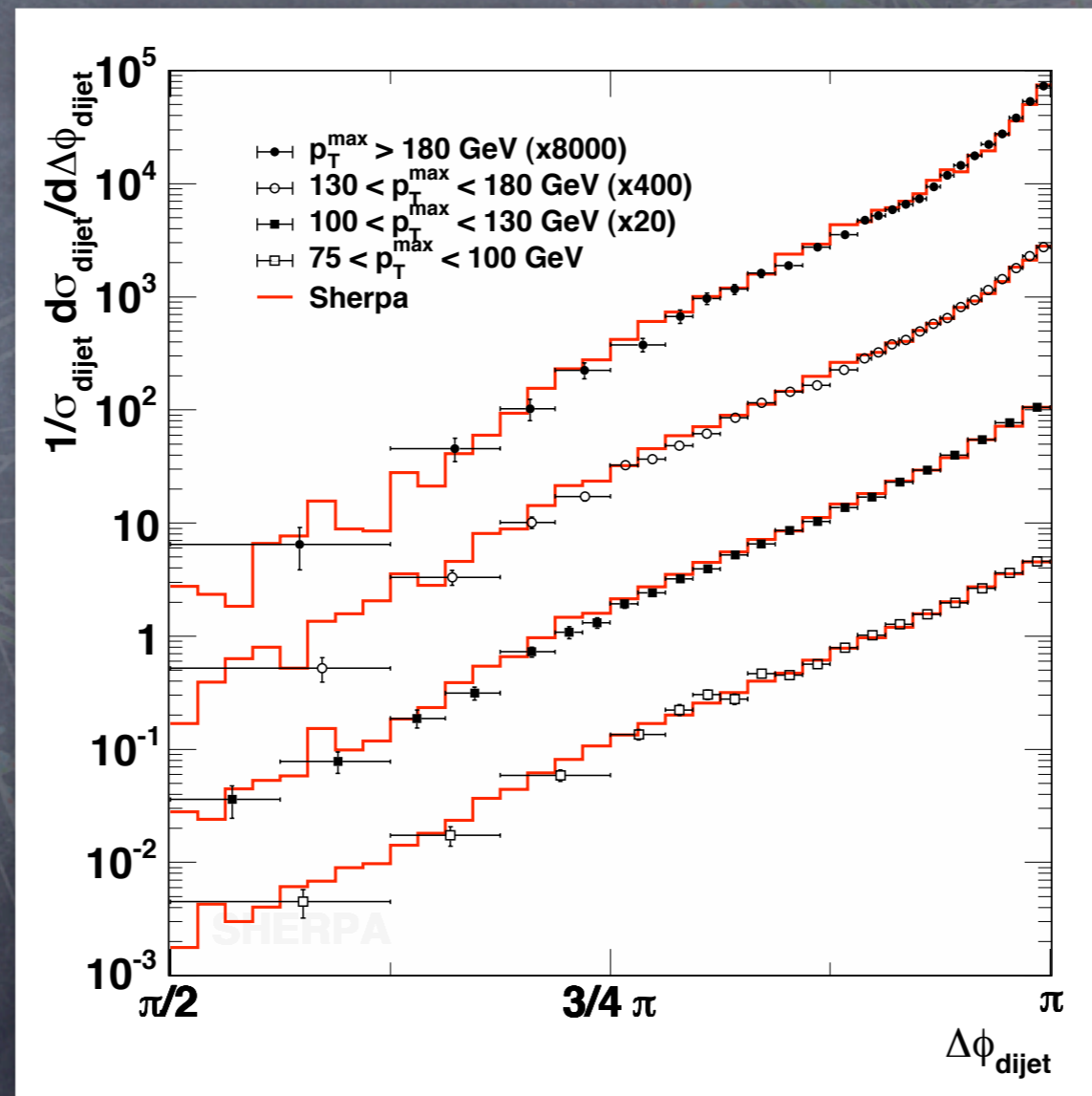


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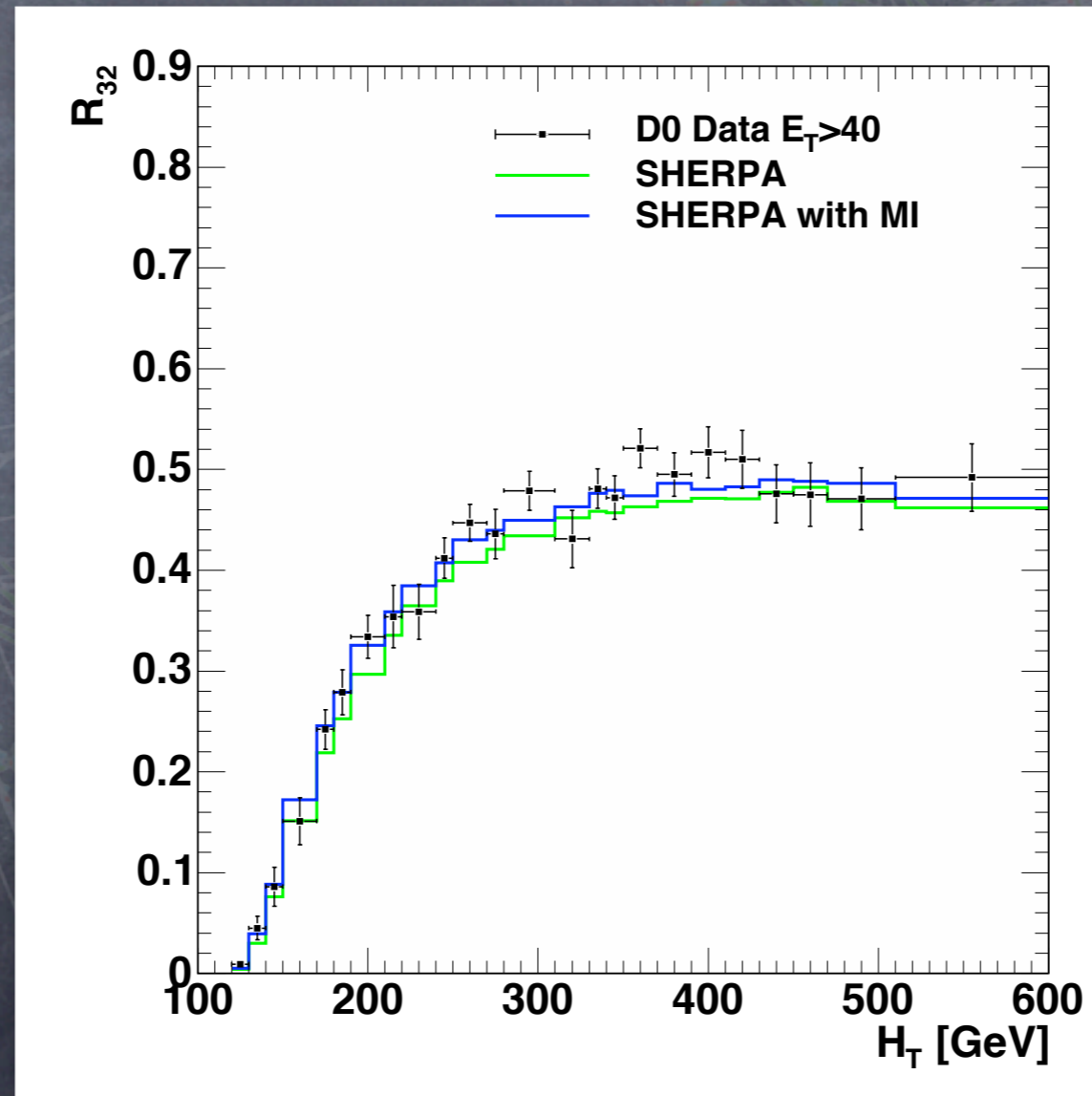
●  $\Delta\phi_{12}$ , measured at DØ



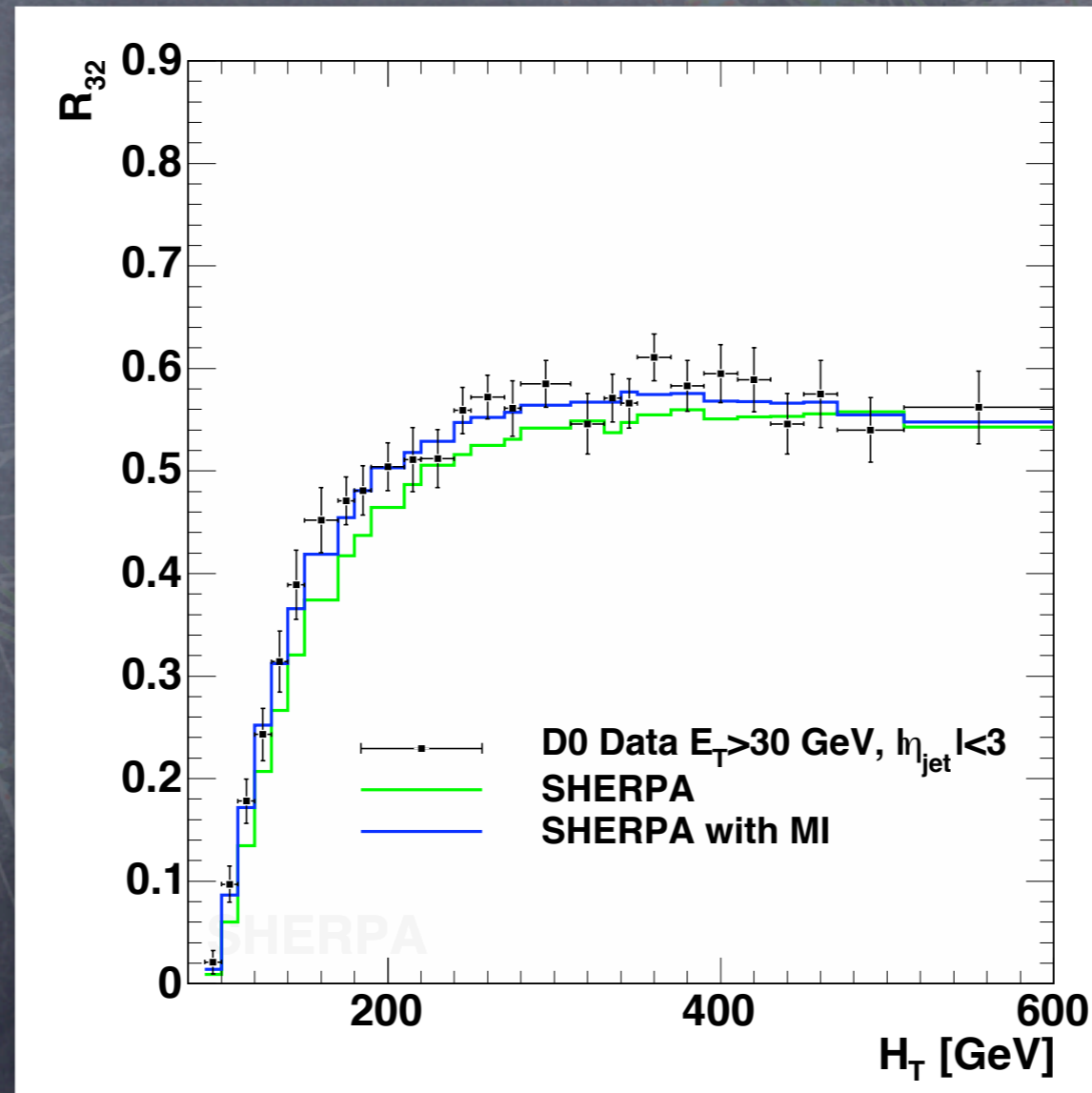
● Azimuthal dijet  
decorrelation in  $p_{T, \max}$  bins



● Jet rate ratio  $R_{32} = \frac{R_3}{R_2}$

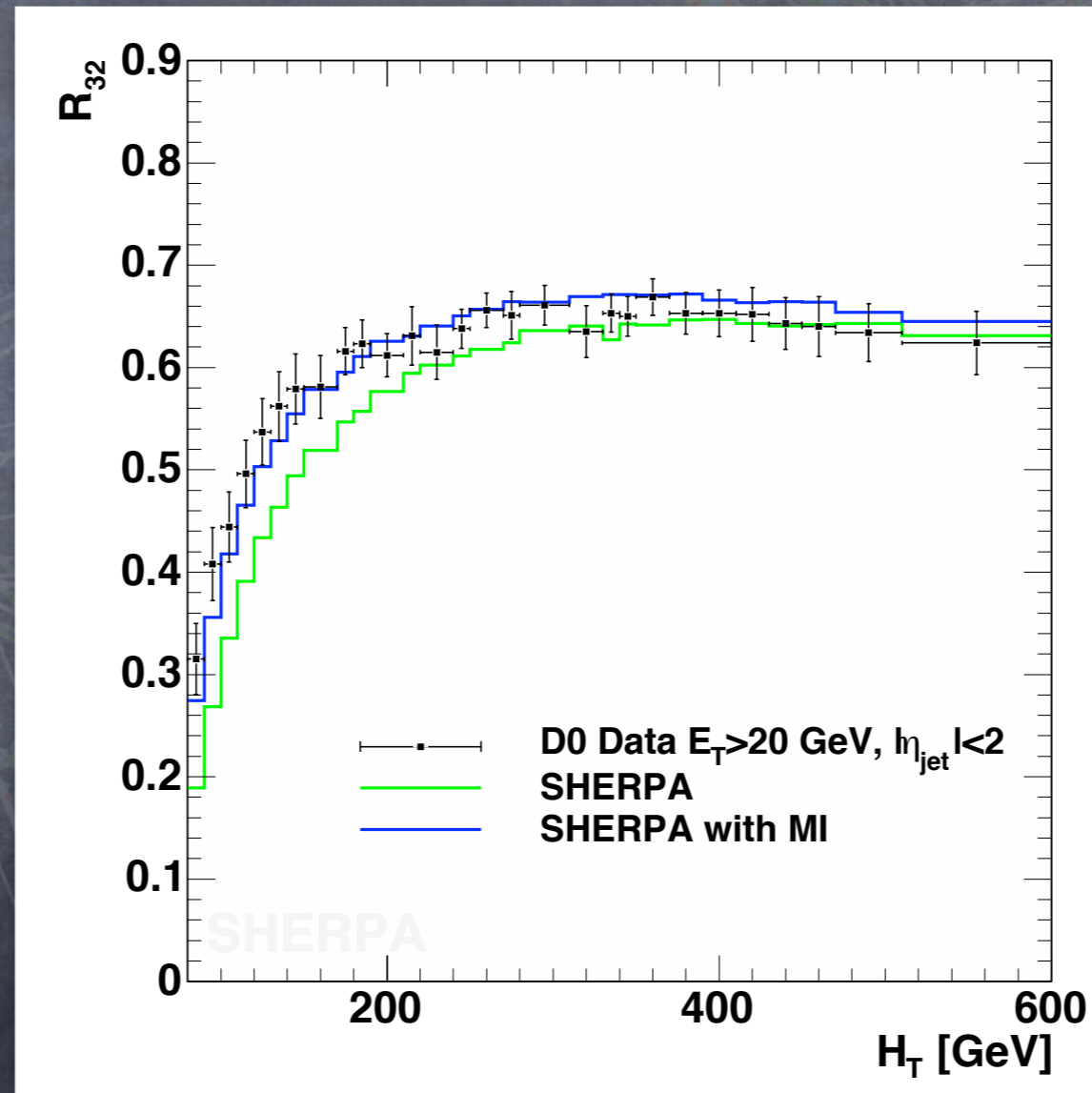


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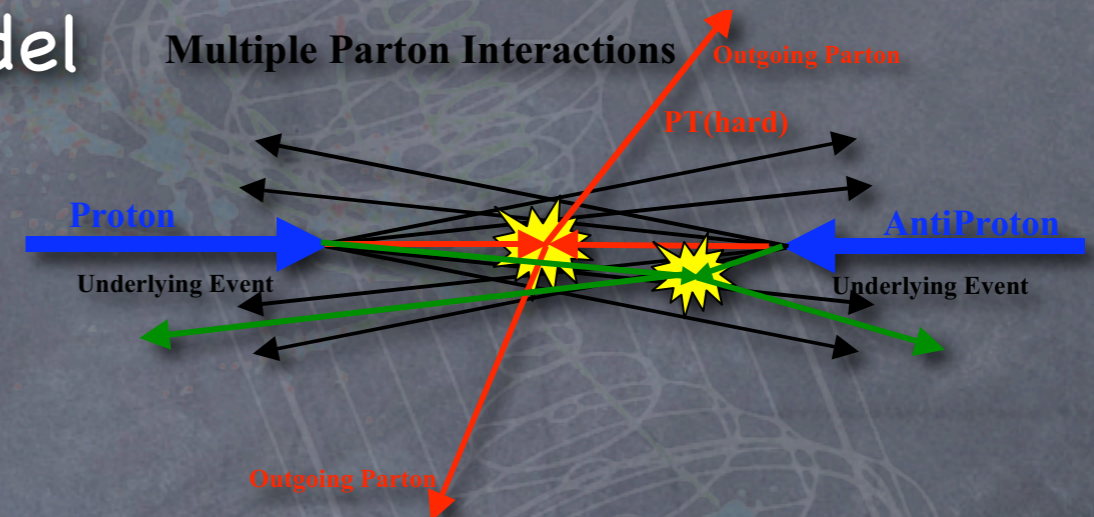


## Features of Sherpas multiple interaction module

- Built according to **PYTHIA** model

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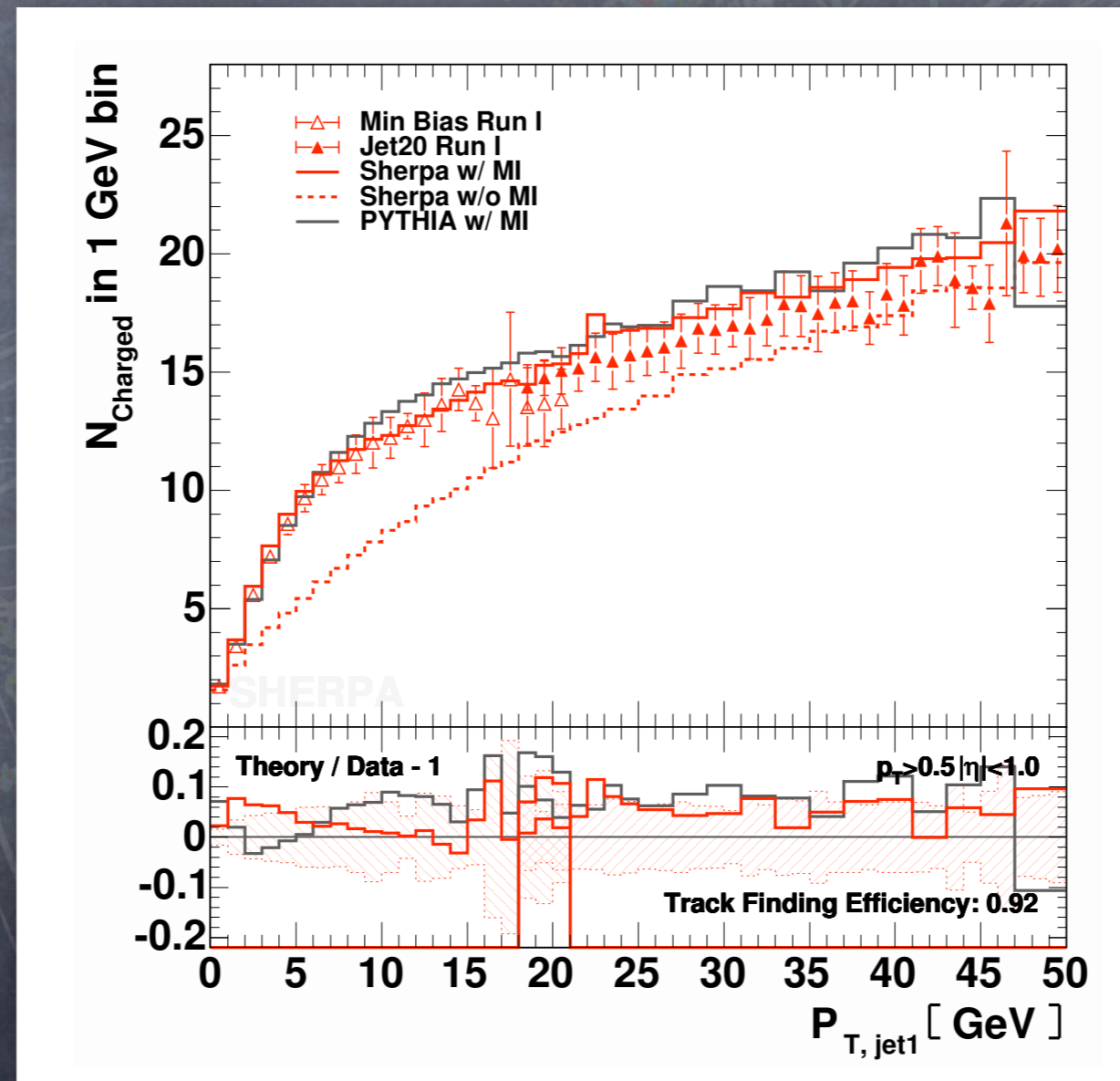
- Parton showers attached to the secondary interactions



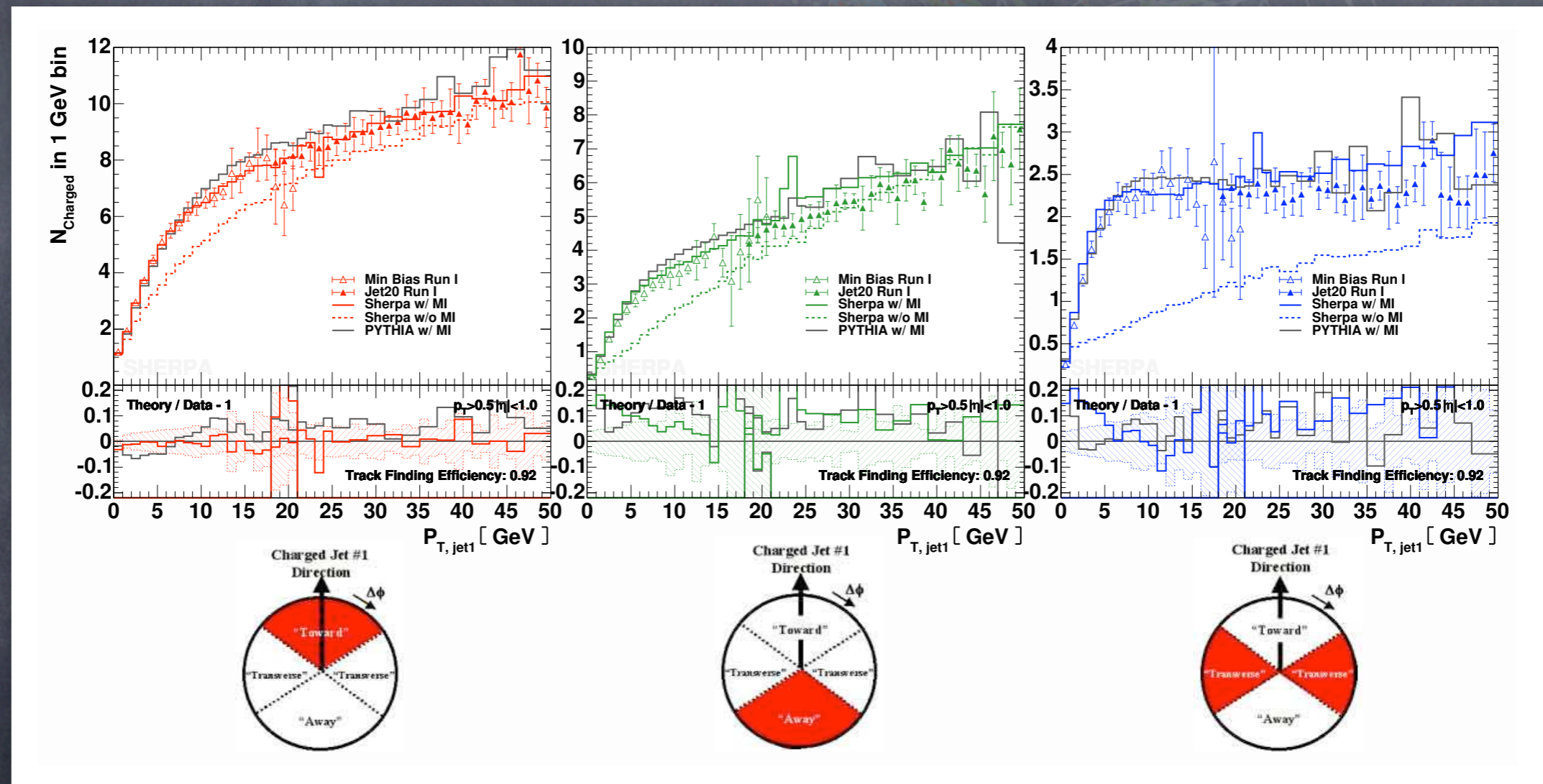
## AMISIC++ set up to work with the CKKW matching

- Hard processes with FS multiplicity different from 2 require unique **definition of starting scale** for evolution  $\mu_{MI}$
- Sherpa algorithm (works for arbitrary n-jet ME):
  - employ  $K_T$  algorithm to **define 2→2 core process**
  - set  $\mu_{MI}$  to  $p_{\perp}$  of QCD partons** from this process

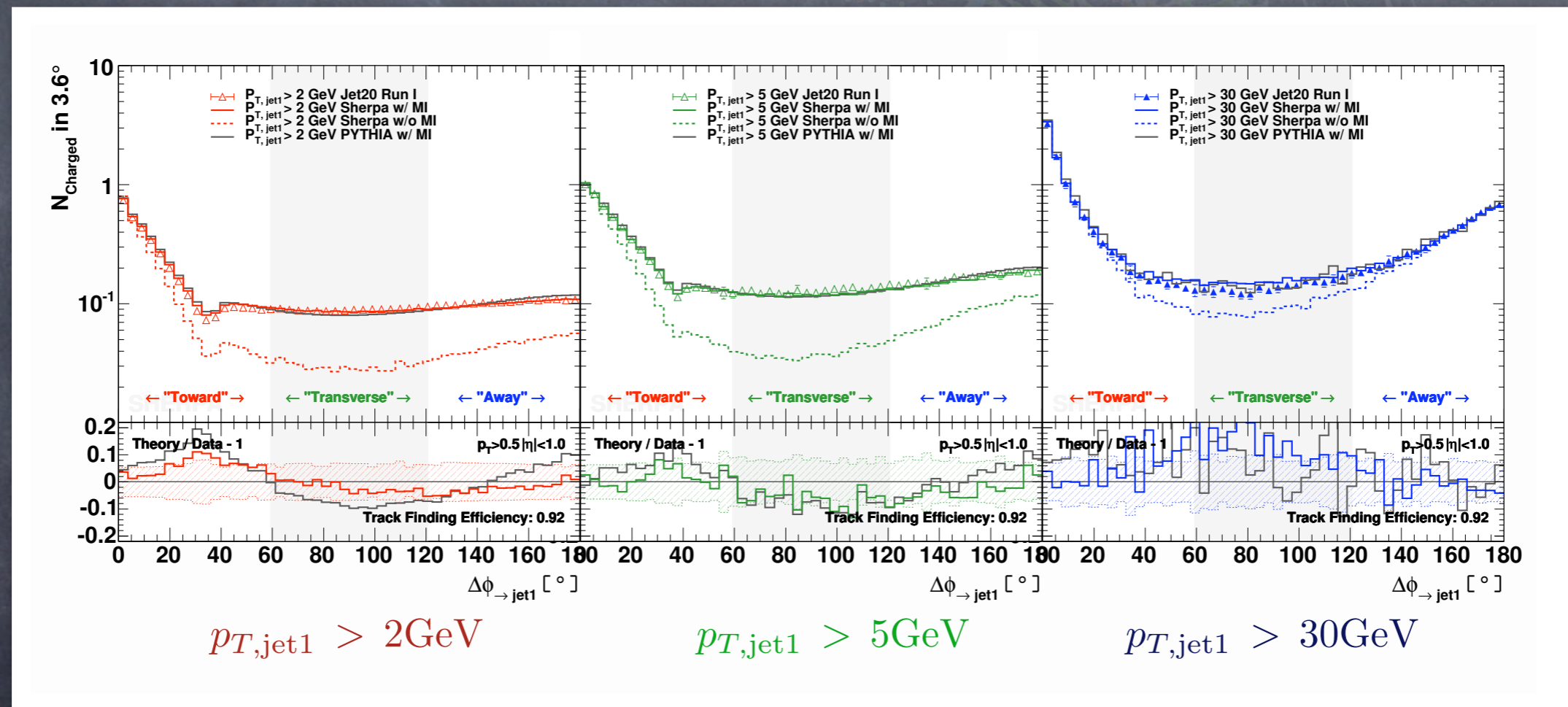
●  $N_{\text{charged}}$  vs.  $p_{T, \text{jet1}}$  in CTC



$N_{\text{charged}}$  vs.  $p_{T, \text{jet1}}$  in CTC  
in different regions w.r.t. leading jet



$N_{\text{charged}}$  vs.  $\Delta\phi_{\text{jet}1}$  in CTC  
for different  $p_{T}$  of leading jet



## Features of Sherpas new hadron decay module

- Full flexibility, **all information** read **from parameter files**  
( branching ratios, decay channels, form factors, integrators )
- **Easy to extend** with specific decay models

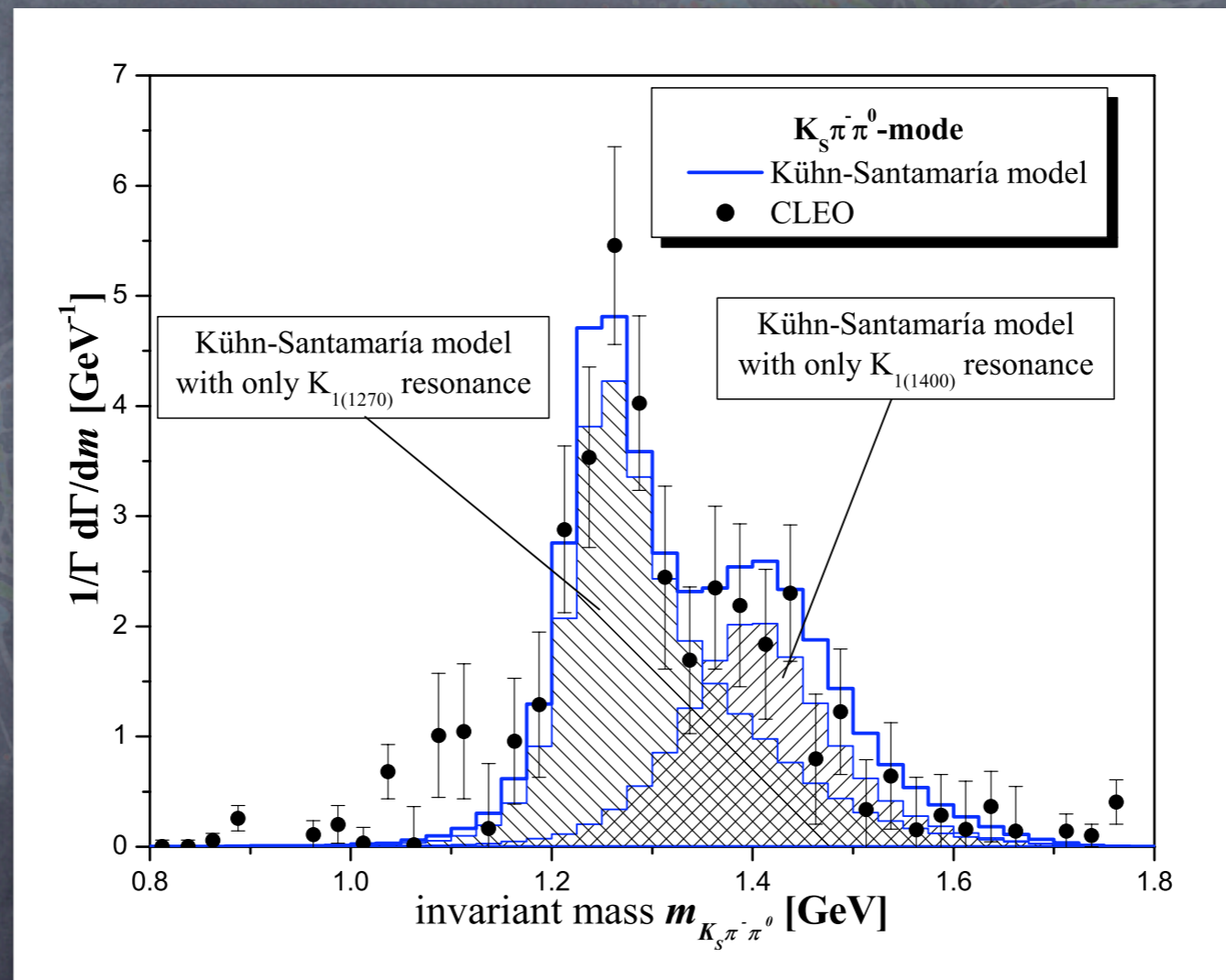
## HADRONS++ extensively tested in $\tau$ decays

- Decay kinematics chosen according to  
**Kühn-Santamaria model** or **resonance chiral theory**  
( some rare decays to 5/6 h according to PS )

## So far only few hadron decays

- Decays according to phase space for  
 $\pi, \eta, \eta', \rho, K, K^*, \phi, \omega(782), a_2(1320), f_2(1270), f_2'(1525)$
- Currently extended to handle B / D decays

● Invariant mass spectrum in  
 $\tau \rightarrow \mathbf{K}^- \pi^+ \pi^- \nu_\tau$  (CLEO-CONF-94-23)



## New features:

- Revised SUSY sector, including SLHA interface
- $\tau$  and first hadron decays
- Decay chain treatment

## To do list:

- Finalise alternative underlying event model
- Include & tune cluster fragmentation model
- Extend hadron decay package, special emphasis on Bs
- ...

Sherpa is a powerful tool to describe present-day Tevatron data and to study the extrapolation to LHC energies



Now the hands-on part ...



## Get your Sherpa tarball

- Download Sherpa  $\alpha$ -1.0.7 from our website  
<http://www.sherpa-mc.de>  
Please download also the manual
- Unpack the distribution using  
`tar -xzvf Sherpa-1.0.7.tar.gz`

## Compile the code

- PLEASE: Employ the installation script that comes with the distribution !
- It's easy: `TOOLS/makeinstall -t`  
To display more options of the script  
( e.g. incorporation of ROOT/CLHEP in the code )  
run `TOOLS/makeinstall -h`

All this has been done for you in advance ...

A Sherpa setup consists of several parameter files (plain ASCII)

- Analysis.dat
- Beam.dat
- Fragmentation.dat
- Hadron.dat
- ISR.dat
- Integration.dat
- Lund.dat
- ME.dat
- MI.dat
- Model.dat
- Particle.dat
- Processes.dat
- Run.dat
- Selector.dat
- Shower.dat

How to run such a setup ...

- Case 1: Run locally in the setup directory.  
( Convenient to add the binary path to your PATH )

- Change to your setup: `cd setup_dir/`

- Execute Sherpa: `Sherpa`

Process-specific code is generated, run stops ...

**THIS IS NORMAL !!!**

- Compile the process specific code: `./makelibs`

- Execute Sherpa again: `Sherpa`

## How to run a setup ...

- Case 2: Run from outside the setup directory.  
( e.g. from the Sherpa binary path, using ./Sherpa )
  - Execute Sherpa with path information:  
`./Sherpa PATH=setup_dir/`  
Process-specific code is generated, run stops ...  
**THIS IS NORMAL AGAIN !!!**
  - Go to the setup directory and compile code:  
`cd setup_dir/ && ./makelibs`
  - Return and execute Sherpa again

## Advanced usage

- For time-consuming processes,  
you might want to reuse integration results:
  - Create corresponding directory: `mkdir res_dir/`
  - Use it: `./Sherpa PATH=setup_dir/ RESULTS_DIRECTORY=res_dir/`

Be aware that changes to the physics parameters can render your process-specific code, generated by AMEGIC++ and your integration results useless, unreliable or even wrong !

In this case, remove the code ... `rm -rf setup_dir/Process/`  
and the integration results ... `rm -rf res_dir/*`  
and start afresh ...

In any case, you don't know what to do, drop us an email

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