

Event generators for the LHC



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Outline

- Why event generators
- SHERPA in brief
- ME's in SHERPA
- Merging ME's + PS
- Results of SHERPA vs. others + data
 - W/Z+jets @ Tevatron
 - Jets only @ Tevatron
- Conclusion

The need for event generators

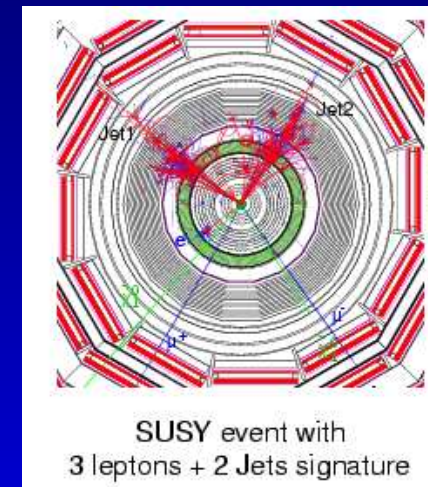
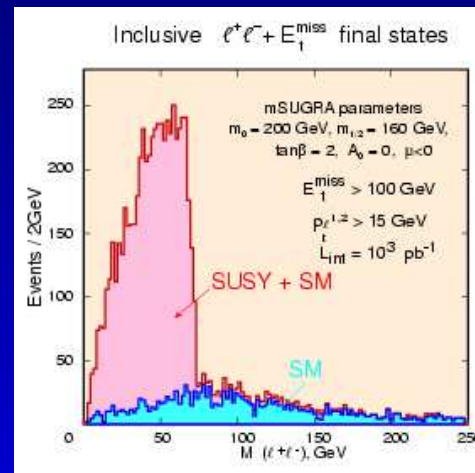
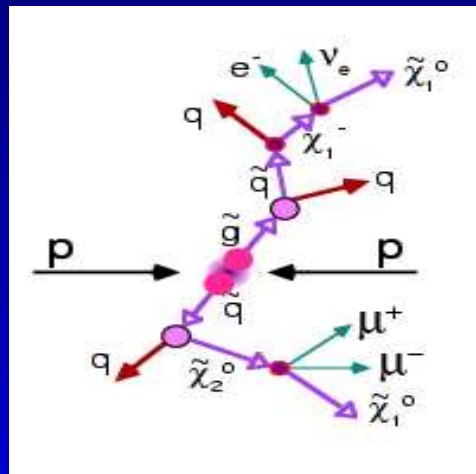
Physics issues:

simulation of signals & backgrounds in new domains

⇒ new challenges: higher precision

⇒ new challenges: more processes

⇒ new challenges: more complexity



The need for event generators

Physics demands:

1. Signals for new physics: (n)MSSM, extra dimensions . . .
2. Good treatment of backgrounds: SM physics
3. Different ME's, PDF's etc.
4. Model the underlying event
5. Different fragmentation schemes
6. Hadron decays a la PDG

The need for event generators

Computing demands:

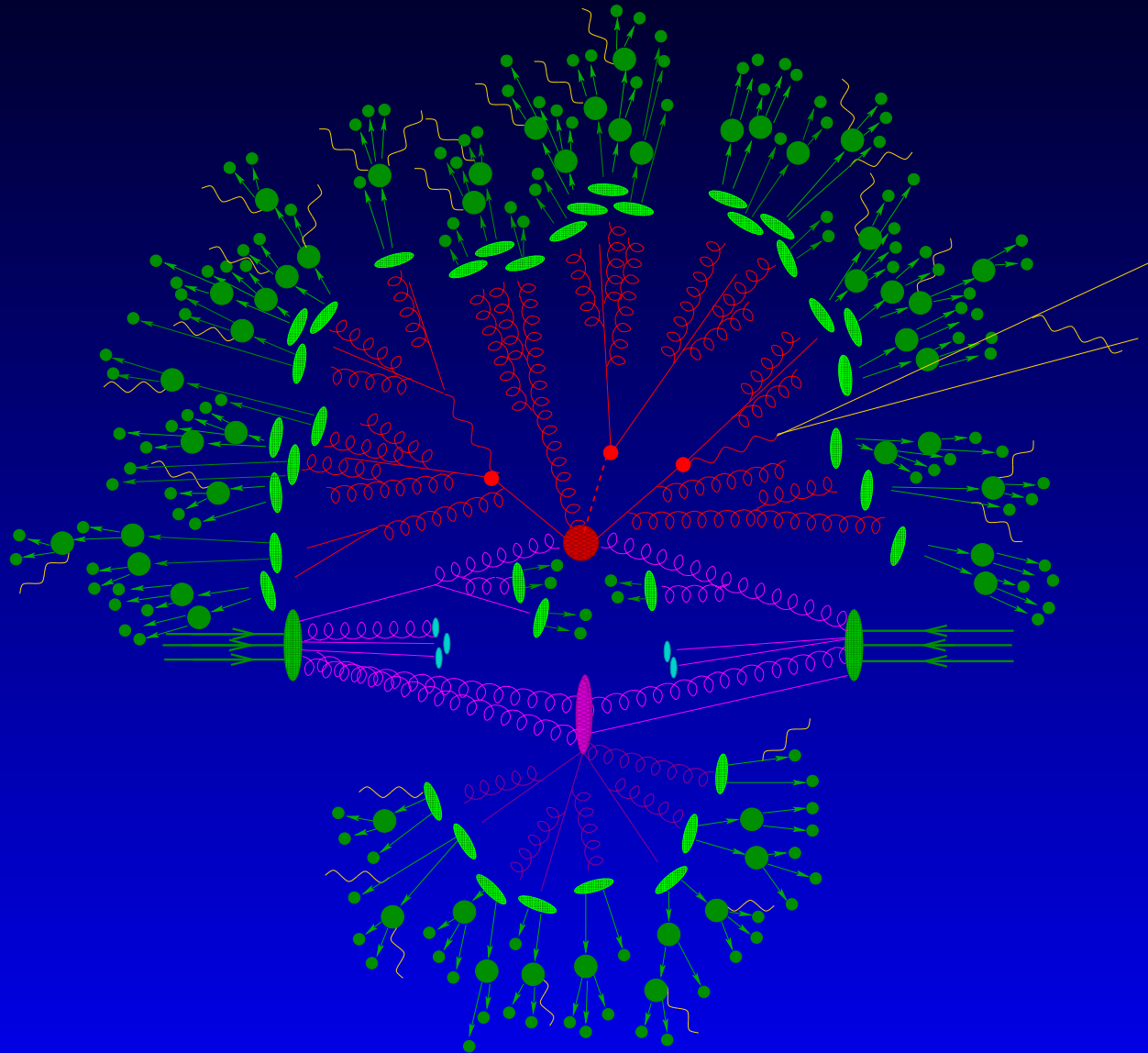
1. Transparency - maintenance becomes an issue!
2. Modularity for checks & simple replacements
3. Extensibility for new models etc.
4. Fast - for quick checks
5. Object-oriented language (the new paradigm)

The need for event generators

MC paradigm: Split the simulation in parts:

1. Initialisation of incoming beams: PDF's
2. Hard event (and, eventually, decays): ME's
3. Secondary QCD radiation: PS
4. Multiple (parton) interactions
5. Hadronisation
6. Hadron decays

The need for event generators



New event generators

New codes emerging:

ThePEG/HERWIG++/PYTHIA7

(“Top-Down” approach \implies next talk)

1. ThePEG = event generation framework organisation, event record, necessary tools (vectors etc.).
2. Construction of physics modules in ThePEG
3. HERWIG++ (S.Gieseke et al., hep-ph/0311208):
 - e^+e^- events: $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q} + \text{radiation}$
 - new parton shower
 - cluster fragmentation

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3. PYTHIA7 (L.Lonnblad, CPC.134, 365)
 - e^+e^- and pp events: $2 \rightarrow 2 + \text{radiation}$
 - string fragmentation

New event generators

New codes emerging: **PYTHIA 8**

T.Sjöstrand (+, maybe later, others)

Project started recently (roughly a year ago).

Plan: provide a new event generator in three years.

New event generators

New codes emerging: **SHERPA**

(T. Gleisberg, S. Höche, F. Krauss, A. Schälicke, S. S. and J. Winter, JHEP 0402:056,2004)

(“Bottom-Up” approach)

Tested & interfaced modules:

1. Tree-level matrix elements (AMEGIC++) +
2. Parton shower (APACIC++) ...
3. ... and merging thereof
4. First underlying event simulations
5. Interfaces to string fragmentation, etc..

Allows to simulate e^+e^- , $\gamma\gamma$, pp collisions.

SHERPA status

(T.Gleisberg et al., JHEP 0402 (2004) 056)

- Initialisation of the incoming beams
⇒ PDFs: LHAPDF, mrst99 (C++), cteq6

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⇒ Interface to own ME generator **AMEGIC++**

(F.Krauss et al., JHEP 0202 (2002) 044)

SHERPA status

(T.Gleisberg et al., JHEP 0402 (2004) 056)

- Initialisation of the incoming beams
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- Initial and final state parton shower
⇒ Interface to own PS **APACIC++**

(R.Kuhn et al., CPC 134 (2001) 223,

and F.Krauss et al., hep-ph/0503087)

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seems to work . . .

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- Hadronisation and hadron decays
 - ⇒ Interface to Pythia's string fragmentation
 - A modified cluster model in preparation

(J.Winter et al., Eur.Phys.J.C36 (2004) 381)

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SHERPA is the framework responsible for

initialising different phases and
steering the event generation

Matrix elements in SHERPA

Presenting AMEGIC++:

- Calculates (nearly) arbitrary processes at tree level
 - Standard Model very well tested
 - MSSM being tested (spectra from SLHA)
 - ADD model (KK-graviton resonances)
- Mass effects fully taken into account
- Multi-channel MC integration with adaptive optimisation
- Completely automatic approach (a generator-generator)

Side note: AMEGIC++ is/will be implemented in HERWIG++

Matrix elements in SHERPA

Testing AMEGIC++:

- $e^+e^- \rightarrow 4/6$ massive or massless jets/fermions
- $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow 4f(+\gamma)$
- SUSY 2 \rightarrow 2 processes (cont'd)

Validation for LHC (MC4LHC, CERN 2003):

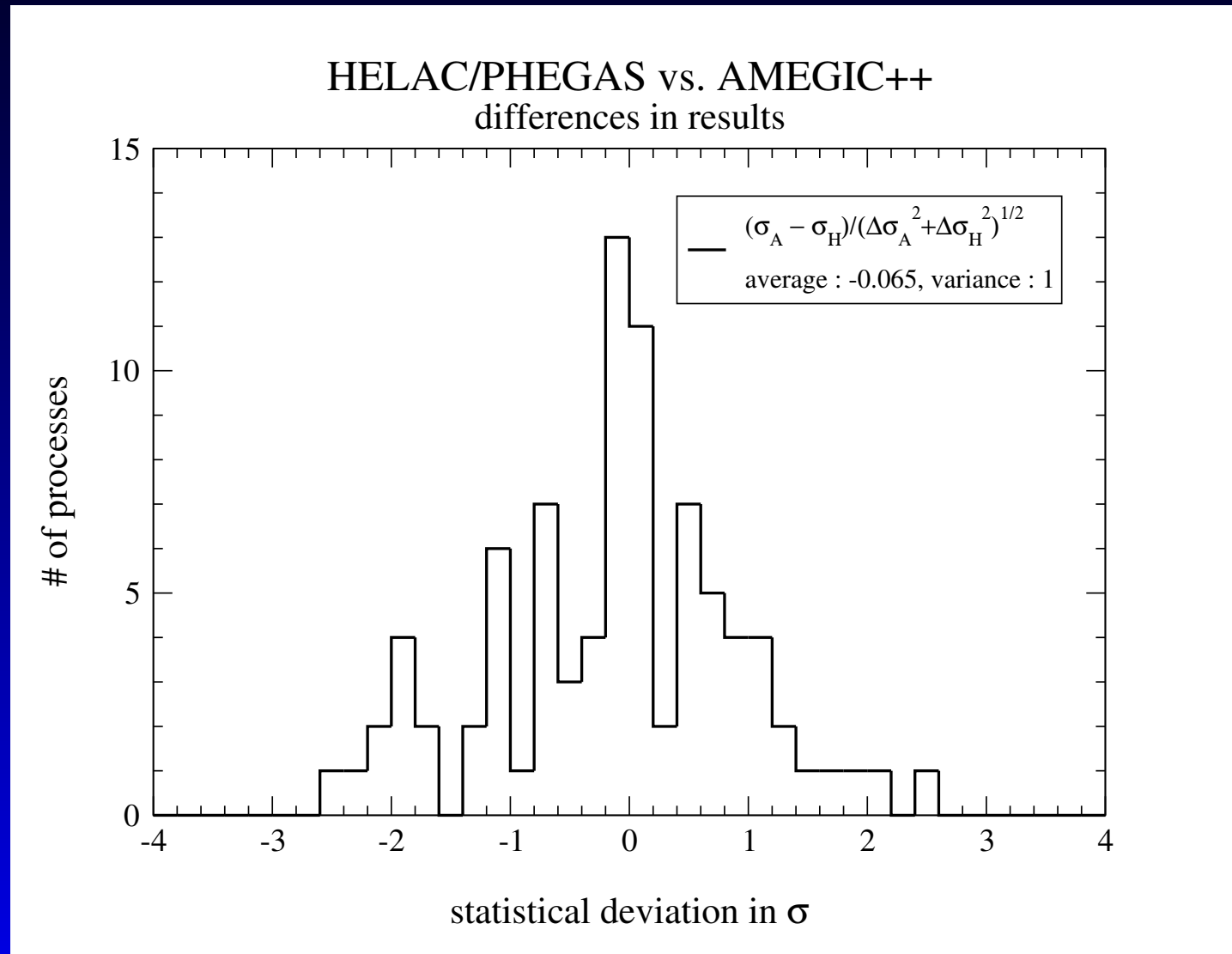
- $e^-\bar{\nu}_e, e^+\nu_e, e^-e^+, \nu_e\bar{\nu}_e, +$ up to 4jets
- $e^-\bar{\nu}_e b\bar{b}, e^-e^+ b\bar{b}, +$ up to 2jets
- $\gamma, \gamma\gamma, +$ up to 3jets
- $t\bar{t}, b\bar{b}, +$ up to 2jets
- 2-, 3-, 4-jet production

Matrix elements in SHERPA

X-sects (pb)	Number of jets						
$e^- \bar{\nu}_e + n$ QCD jets	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Alpgen	3904(6)	1013(2)	364(2)	136(1)	53.6(6)	21.6(2)	8.7(1)
CompHEP	3947.4(3)	1022.4(5)	364.4(4)				
MadEvent	3902(5)	1012(2)	361(1)	135.5(3)	53.6(2)		
Amegic++/Sherpa	3908(3)	1011(2)	362(1)	137.5(5)	54(1)		

X-sects (pb)	Number of jets				
$e^- \bar{\nu}_e + b\bar{b}$	0	1	2	3	4
Alpgen	9.34(4)	9.85(6)	6.82(6)	4.18(7)	2.39(5)
CompHEP	9.415(5)	9.91(2)			
MadEvent	9.32(3)	9.74(1)	6.80(2)		
Amegic++/Sherpa	9.37(1)	9.86(2)	6.87(5)		

Matrix elements in SHERPA



Matrix elements in SHERPA

AMEGIC++ proved to work for up to six particle final states

- ⇒ Acceleration of the ME and phase space evaluation is ongoing:
Gained a huge factor in performance since 2003
(But: Improvement remains a tedious and time-consuming job)
- ⇒ One or two more jet(s) per process listed above maybe possible
- ⇒ for even higher jet multiplicities it might be better to rely on PS
- ⇒ SHERPA includes a state-of-the-art C++ ME generator,
one of the key ingredients of a modern event generator

Combining ME and PS

S.Catani et al., JHEP 0111 (2001) 063,
and F.Krauss, JHEP 0208 (2002) 015

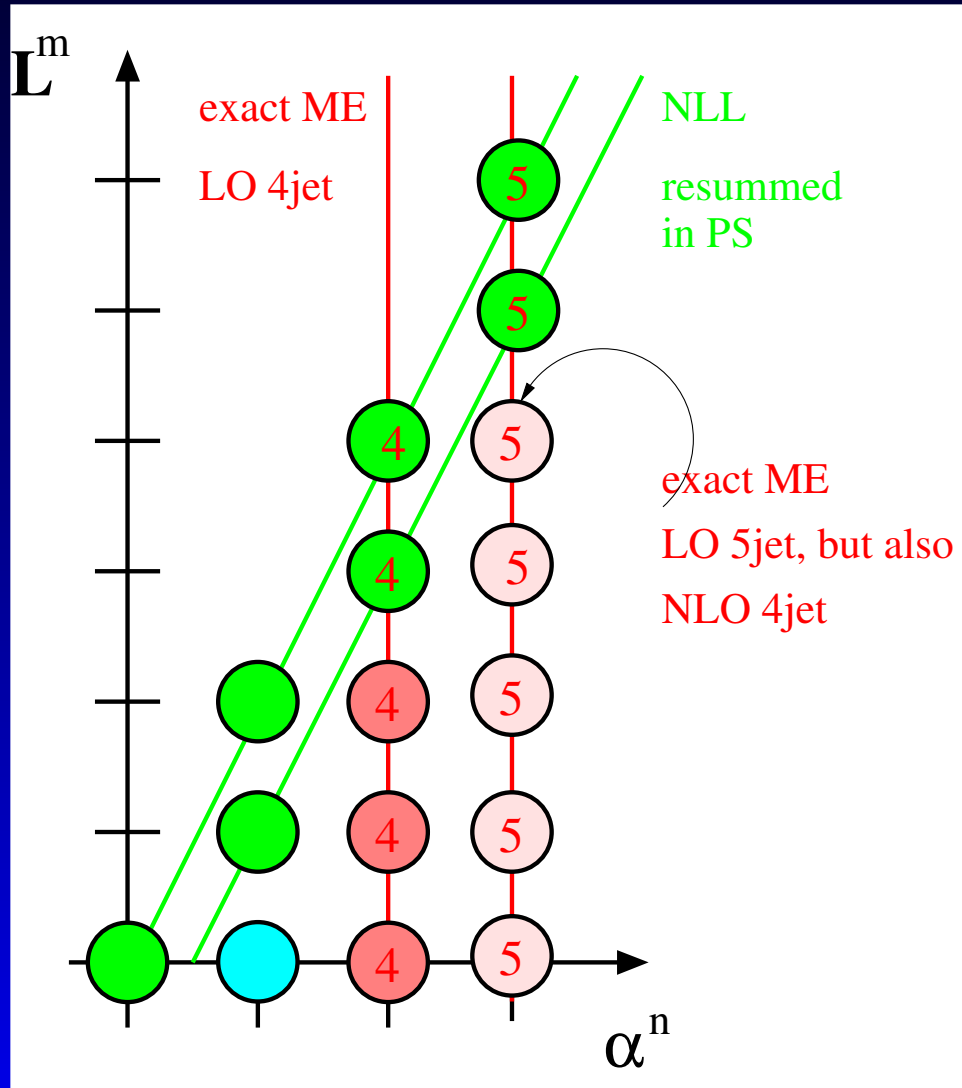
Aim:

- Good description of soft and hard region
- Universality of fragmentation (energy independent)

Solution:

- Divide multi-jet phase space into two regimes
 - Jet production by ME (if available)
 - Jet evolution down to fragmentation scale by the PS
- Reweight ME's for exclusive samples at a resolution scale
- Veto on PS configurations included in higher order ME

Combining ME and PS



Combining ME and PS

The method has been implemented in SHERPA in full generality

- Proofed to be successful in e^+e^- collisions
(comparable in event shapes etc., but better description for four-jet correlations etc.)
- Study of systematics of method is still ongoing
 - Vary choice of scales (functional form)
 - Different jet measures
 - Different treatment of highest multiplicity ME
- Extensions to study systematic errors in event generation
(e.g. global scale factors, etc.)
after all, it's only LO !

W/Z +jets at the Tevatron

F.Krauss et al., Phys.Rev.D70 (2004) 114009

- W/Z +jets at Tevatron, Run II
- Jets according to Run II k_{\perp} -clustering algorithm:

$$p_{\perp}^{\text{jet}} > 15 \text{ GeV}, \quad |\eta^{\text{jet}}| < 2, \quad D = 0.7$$

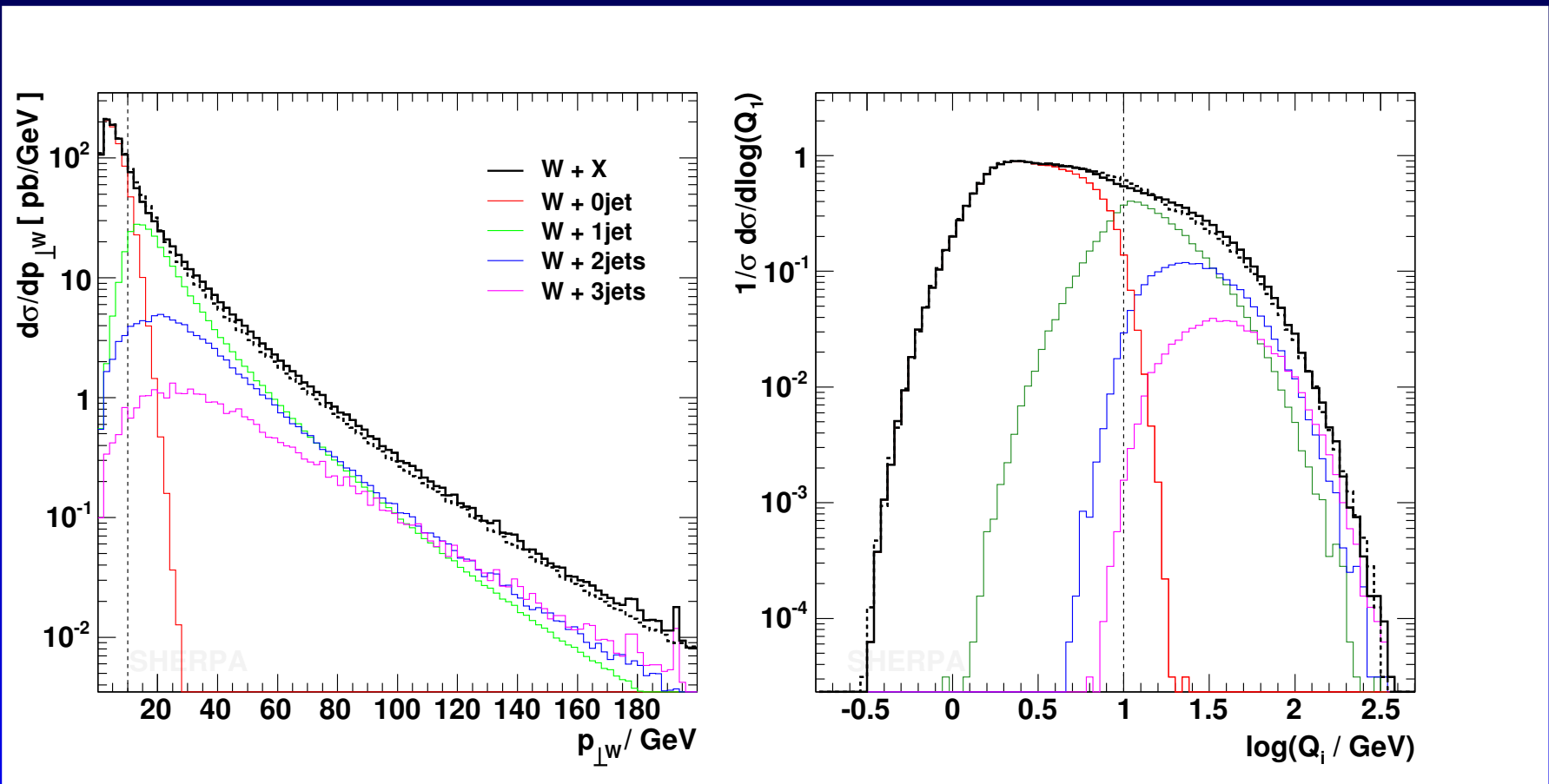
- Further cuts:

$$p_{\perp}^{\text{lepton}} > 20 \text{ GeV}, \quad |\eta^{\text{lepton}}| < 1,$$

$$m^{ll} > 15 \text{ GeV}, \text{ for } W, \text{ also } p_{\perp}^{\text{miss}} > 20 \text{ GeV}.$$

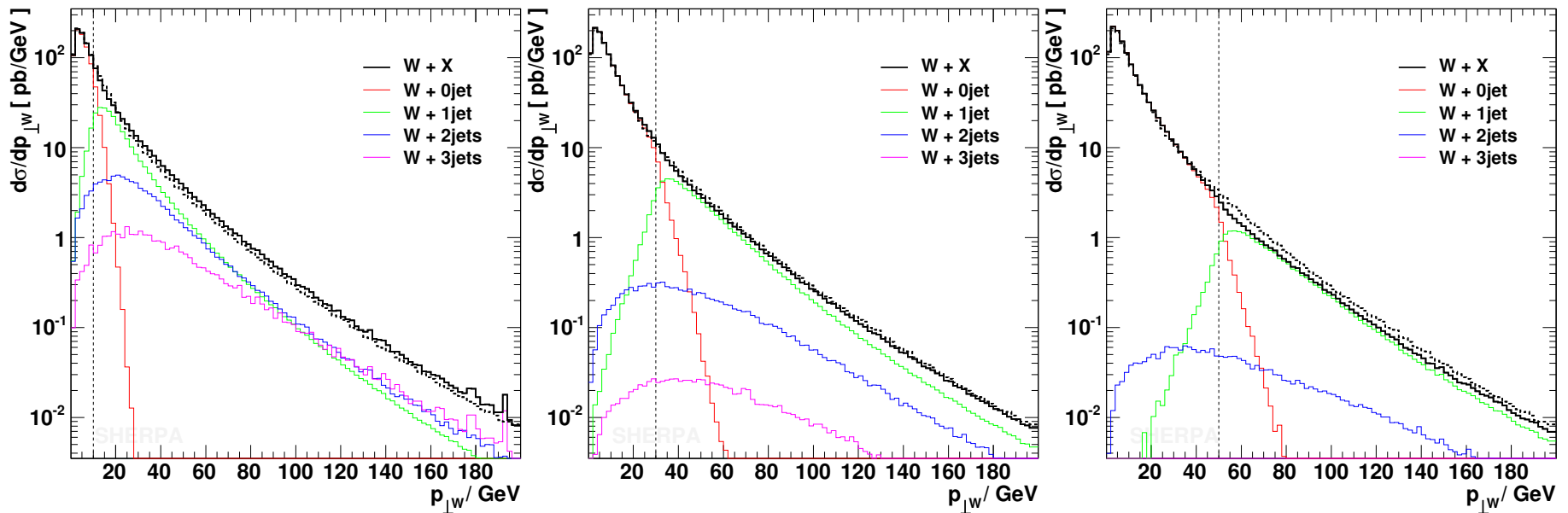
W/Z +jets at the Tevatron

Two example plots (for consistency checks):



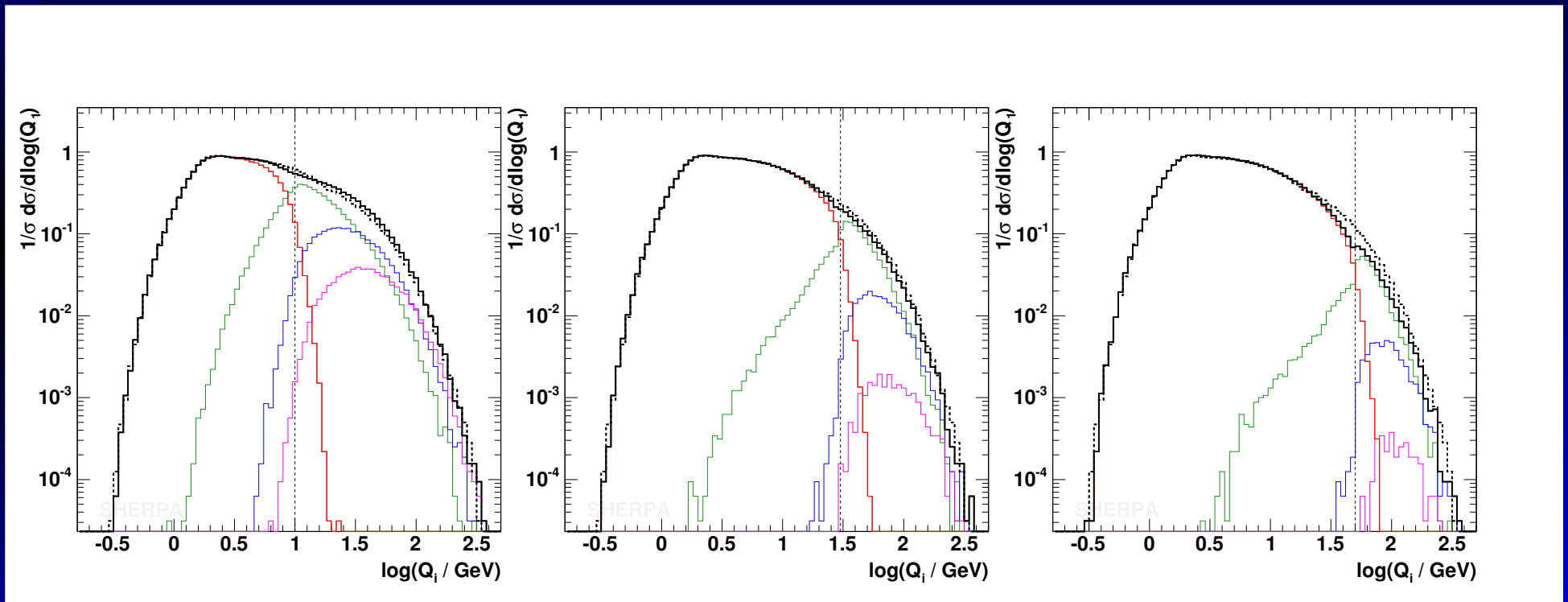
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Effect of varying jet separation: p_{\perp} of W



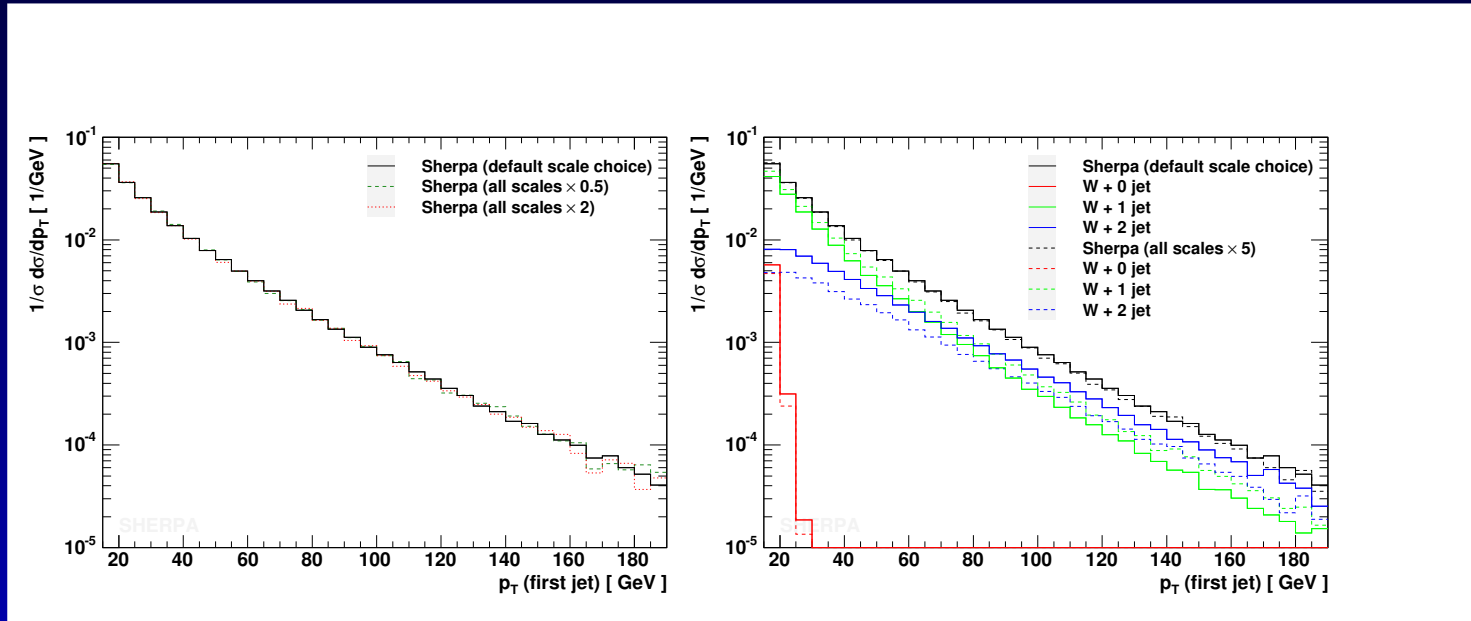
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Effect of varying jet separation : Diff jet rates $1 \rightarrow 0$



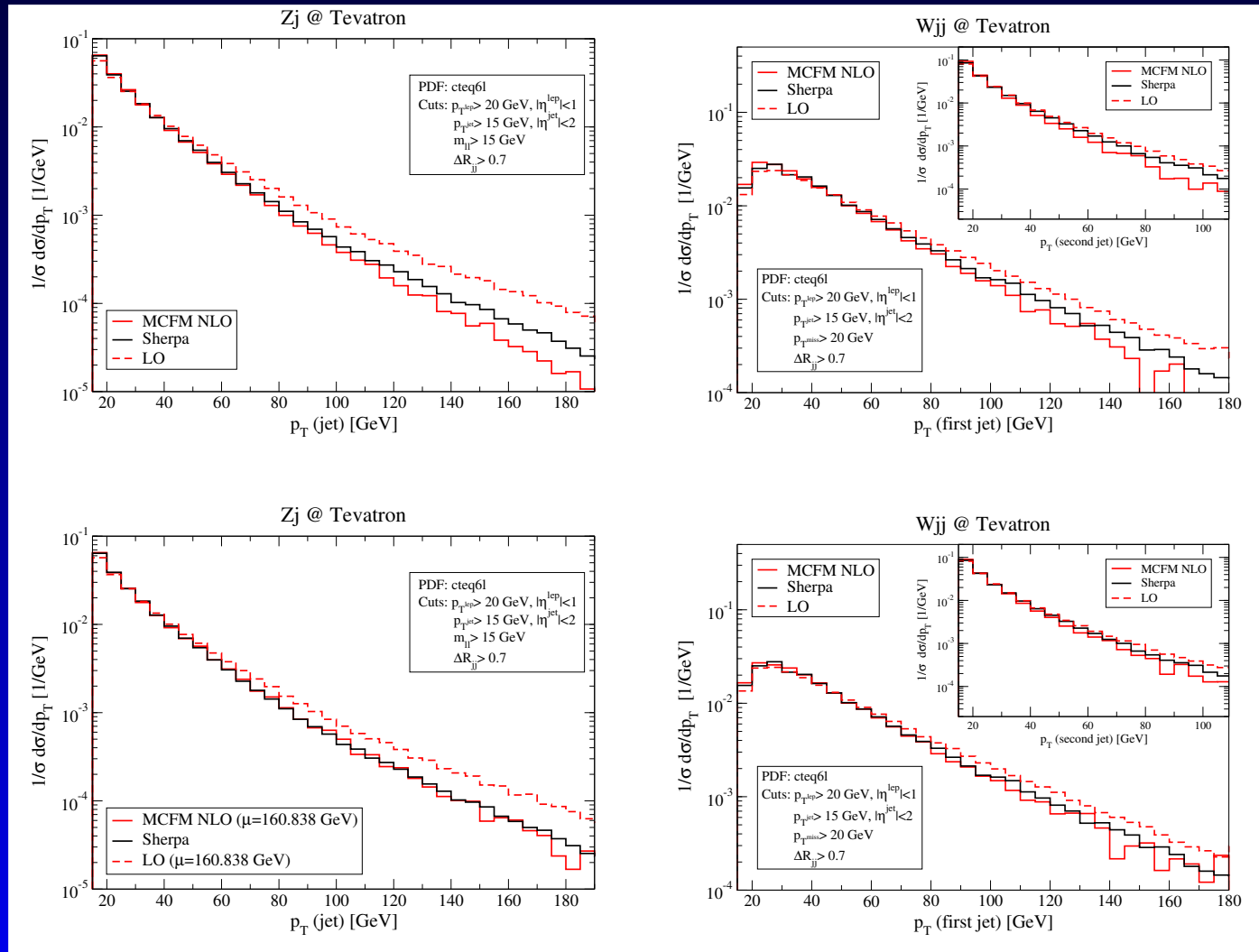
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Effect of varying renormalisation & factorisation scale



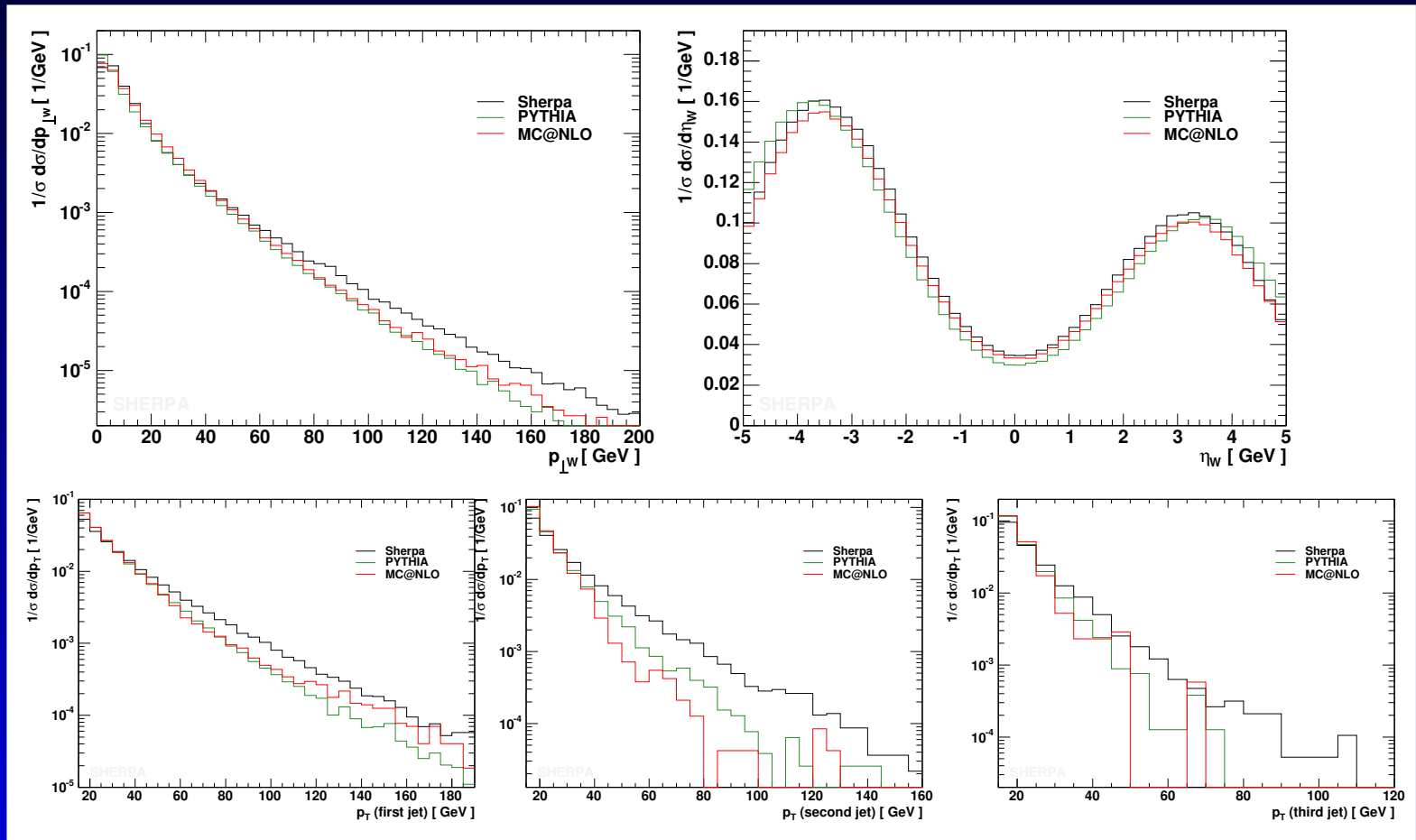
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Comparison with NLO calculation (MCFM, exclusive)



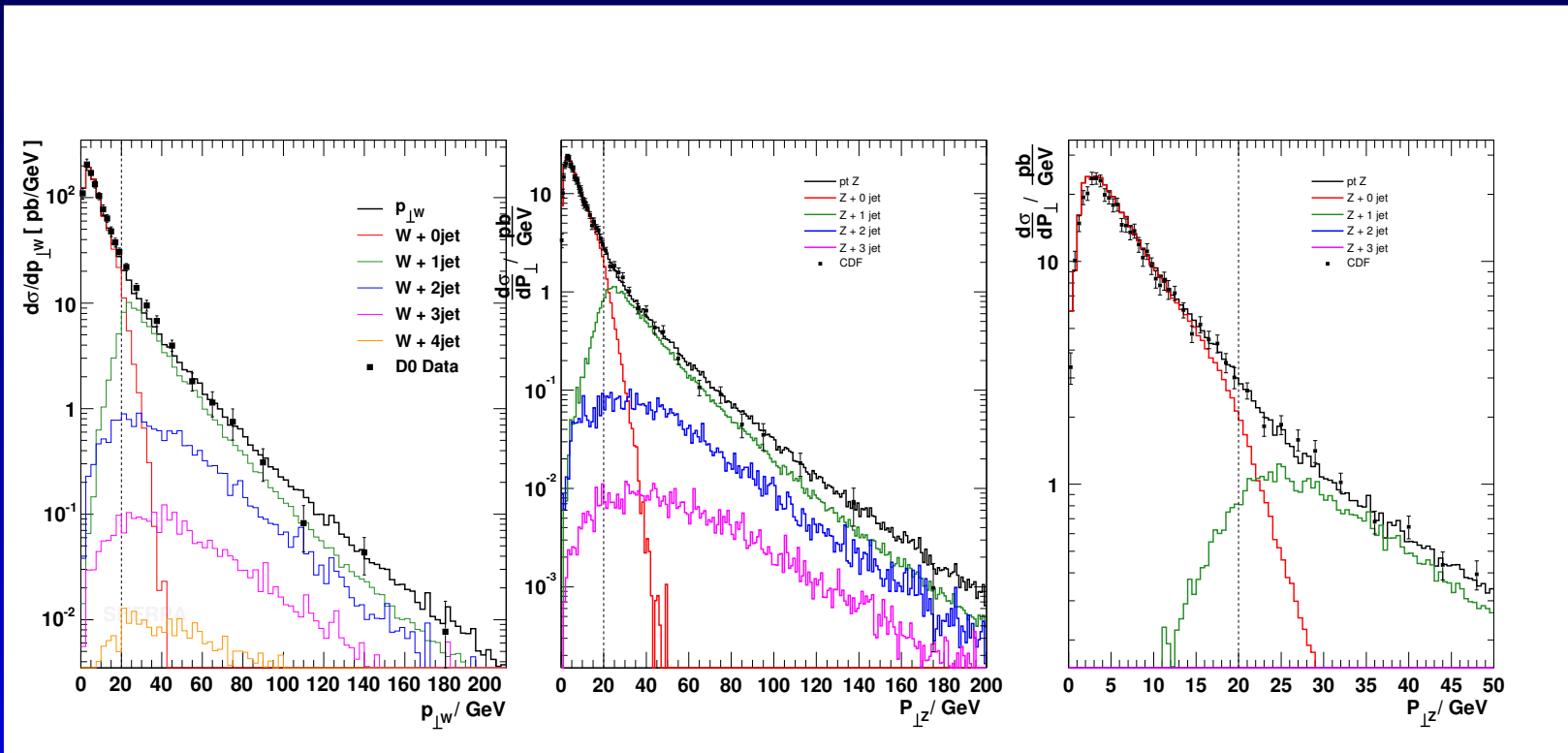
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Comparison with Pythia & MC@NLO



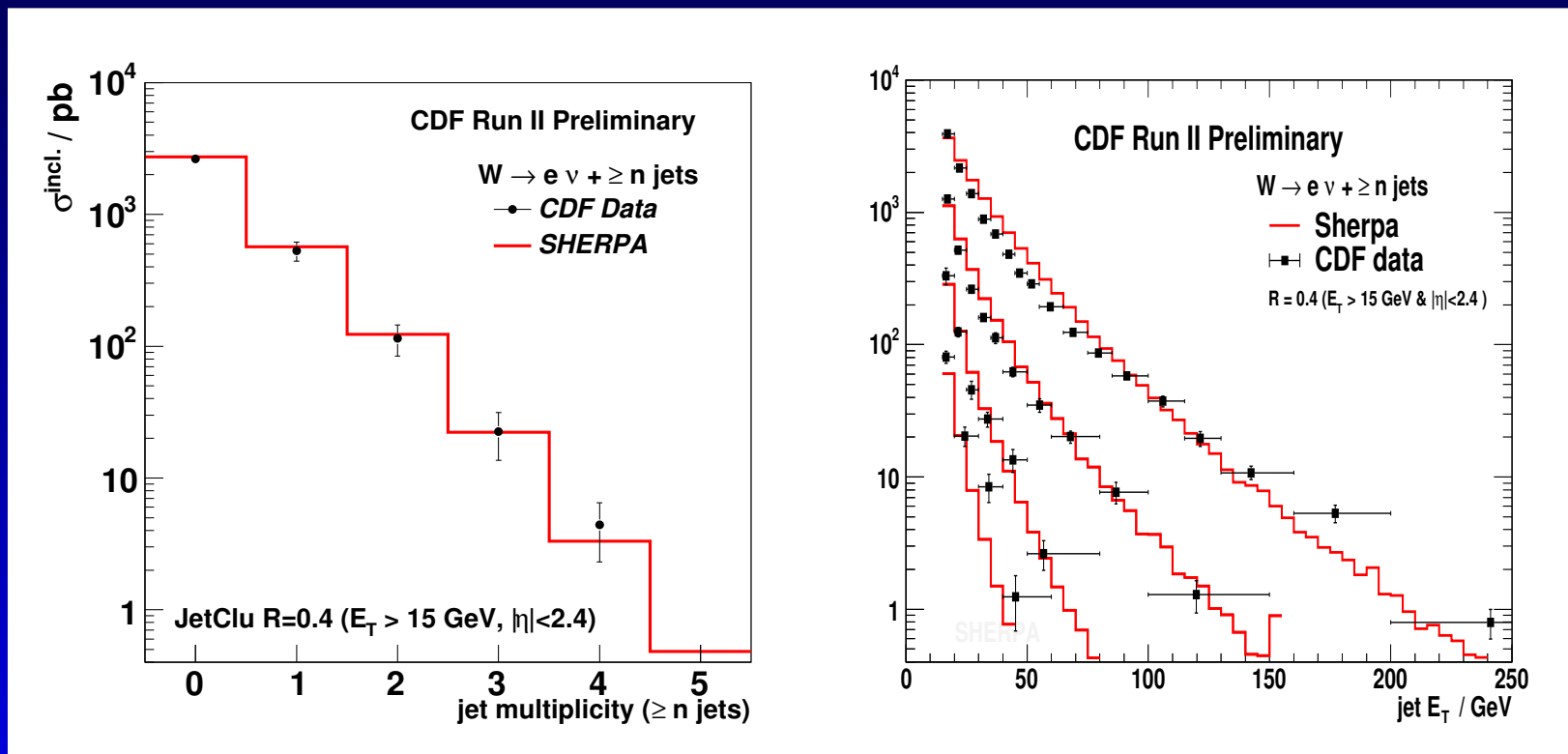
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Comparison with data: p_{\perp} of boson
(Run I, W from D0, Z from CDF)



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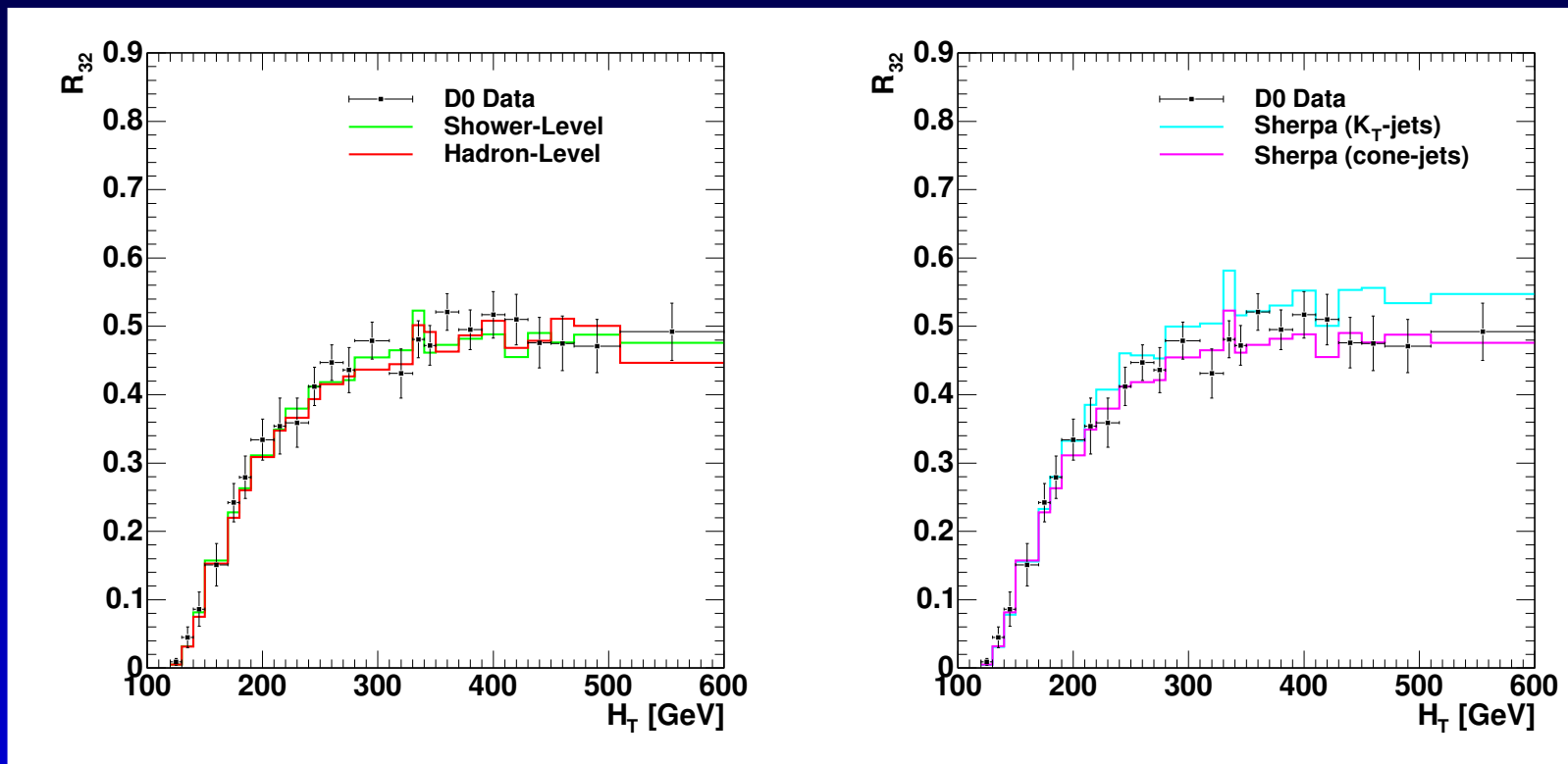
Comparison with data: jets
(Run II, preliminary from CDF, SHERPA: $K = 1.44$)



Jets only at Tevatron, Run I

R_{32} measurement at Run I (D0, PRL 86 (2001) 1955),

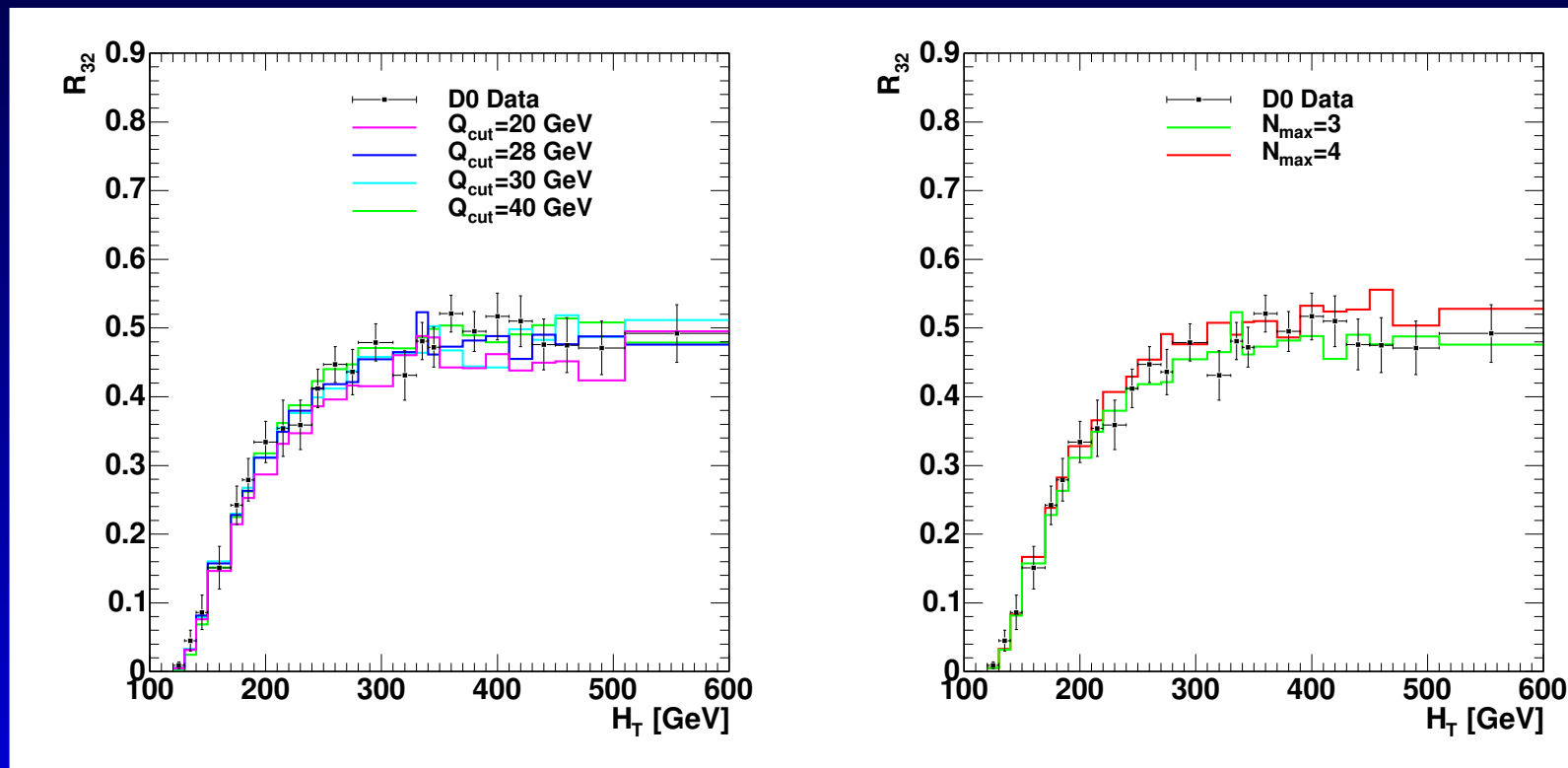
$E_T^{\text{jet}} \geq 40\text{GeV}$, $|\eta^{\text{jet}}| \leq 3$, Midpoint with $R = 0.7$



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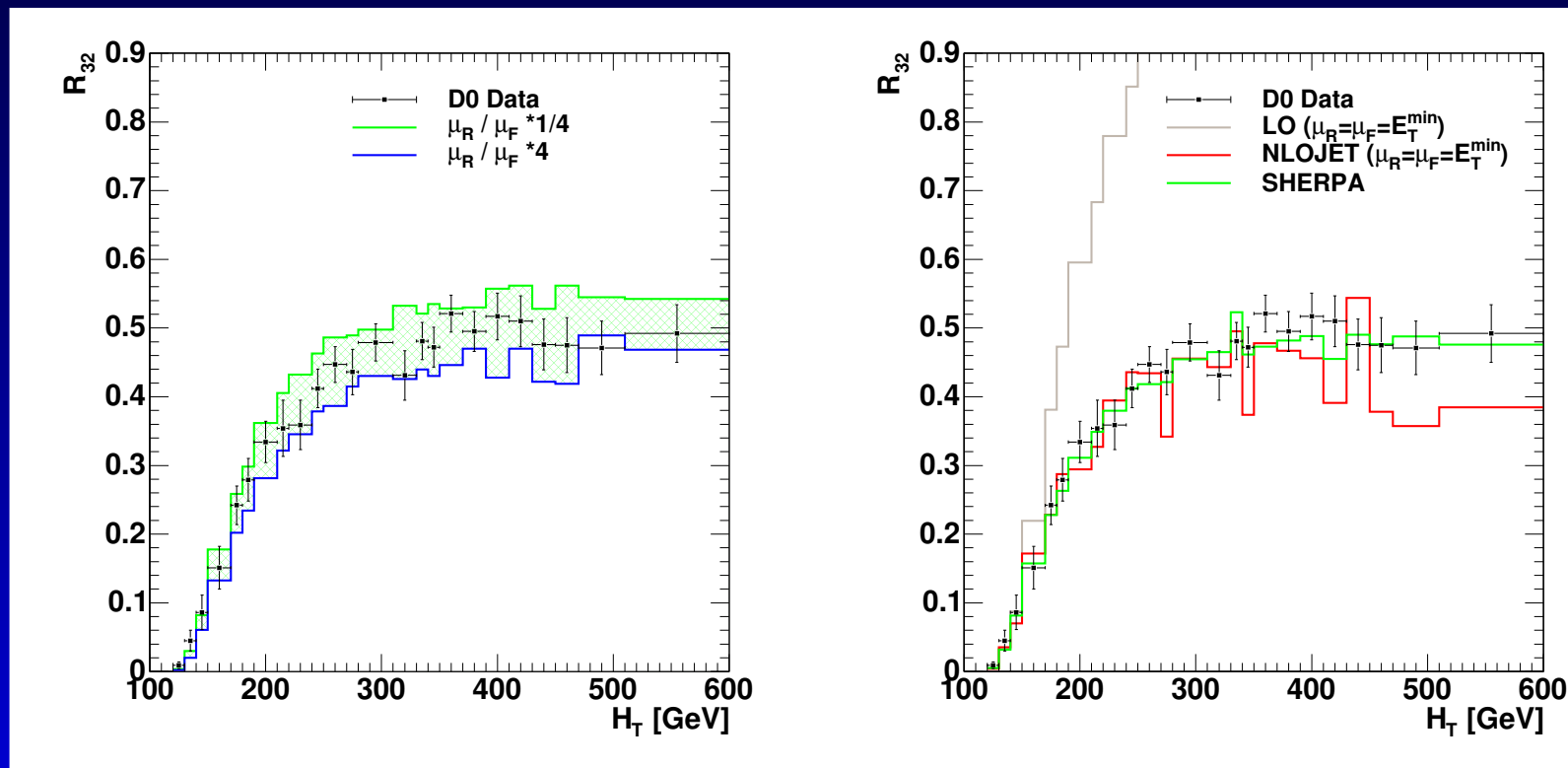
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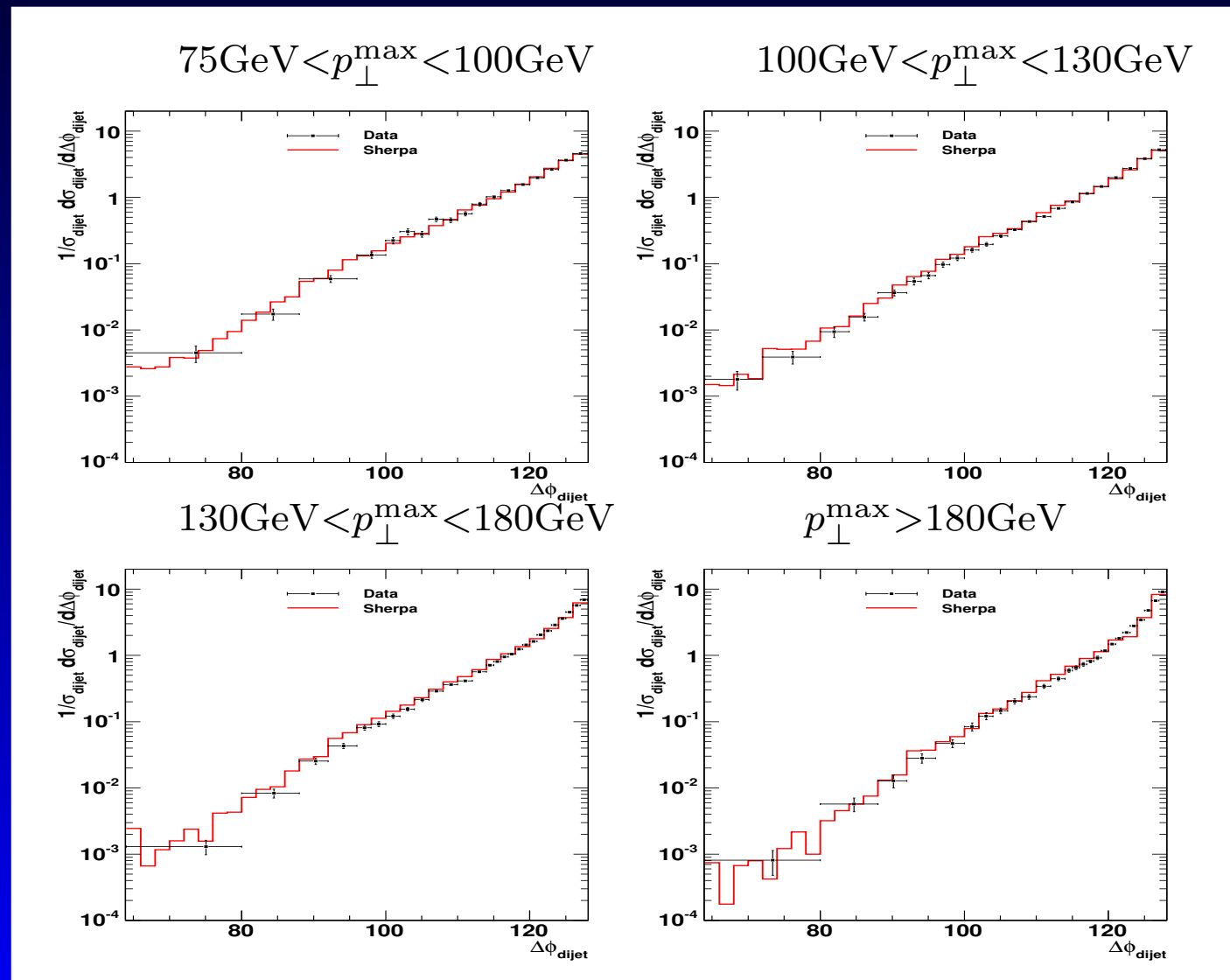
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Di-Jet azimuthal angular decorrelation (D0, hep-ex/0409040), $p_T^{\text{jet}} \geq 40\text{GeV}$, $|y^{\text{jet}}| \leq 3$



Conclusion/Outlook

- SHERPA well under way.
- ME's and PS work,
construction of further modules started
- Implementation of merging prescription
an unique & powerful tool.
Shapes look NLO-ish, rates are LO!
- First UE model in working condition,
seems softer than Pythia due to ME+PS.
- Aim at: Complete MC in 2005
including cluster model, a new underlying
event model, ...



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