

# MC Generators for Top Events at the LHC

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- What's inside Herwig++
- Outlook on Higher Order MEs in Herwig++
- Underlying Event Issues

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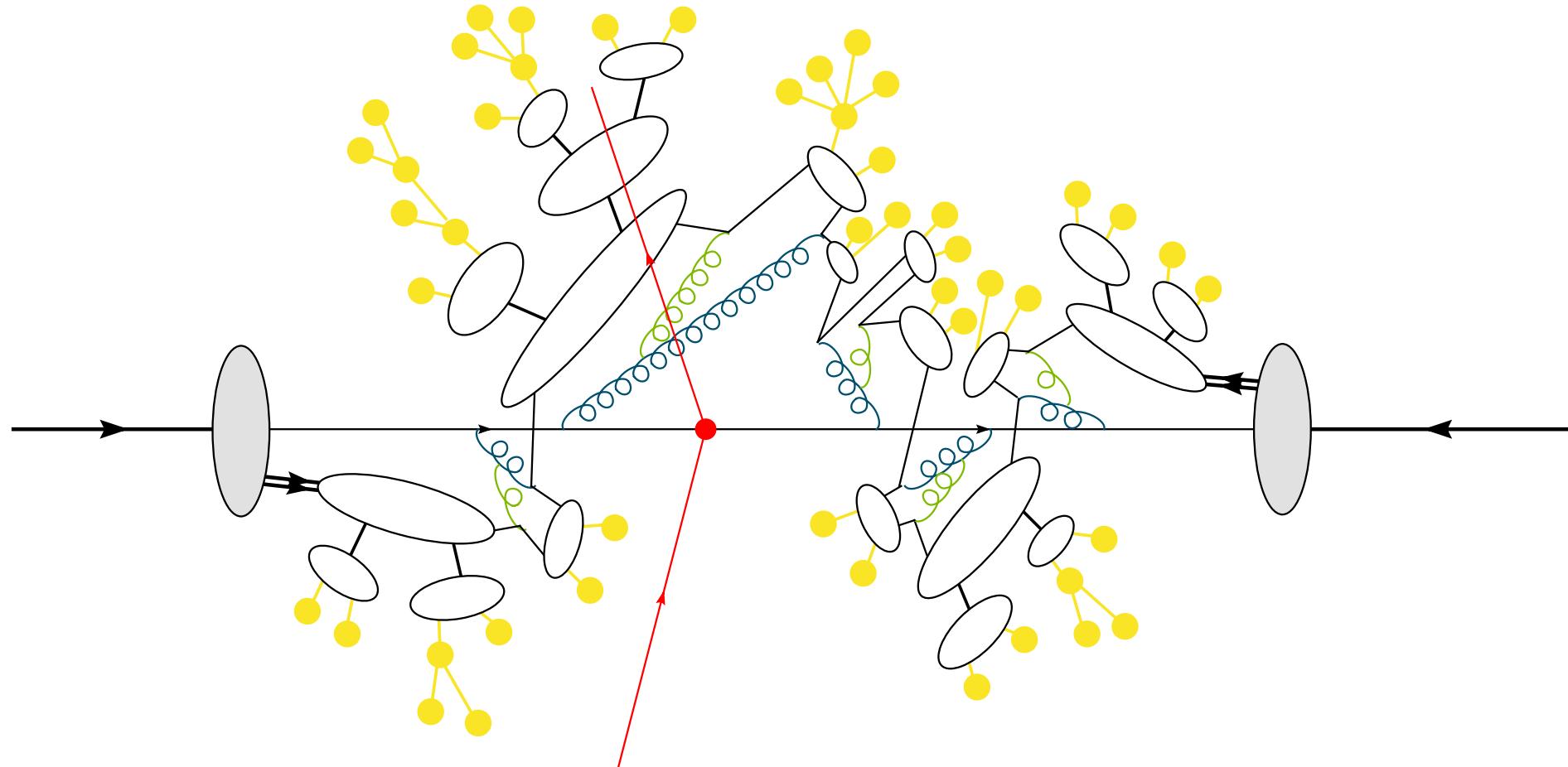
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## Who and where we are

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## $pp$ Event Generator



A (simplified) picture of what we are talking about.

## Hard interactions in Herwig++

Herwig++ will probably never have a very large library of built-in hard matrix elements.

- Basic ME's included in **ThePEG**, such as:

$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}, \text{ partonic } 2 \rightarrow 2.$$

- We provide our own set of **basic processeses**, currently

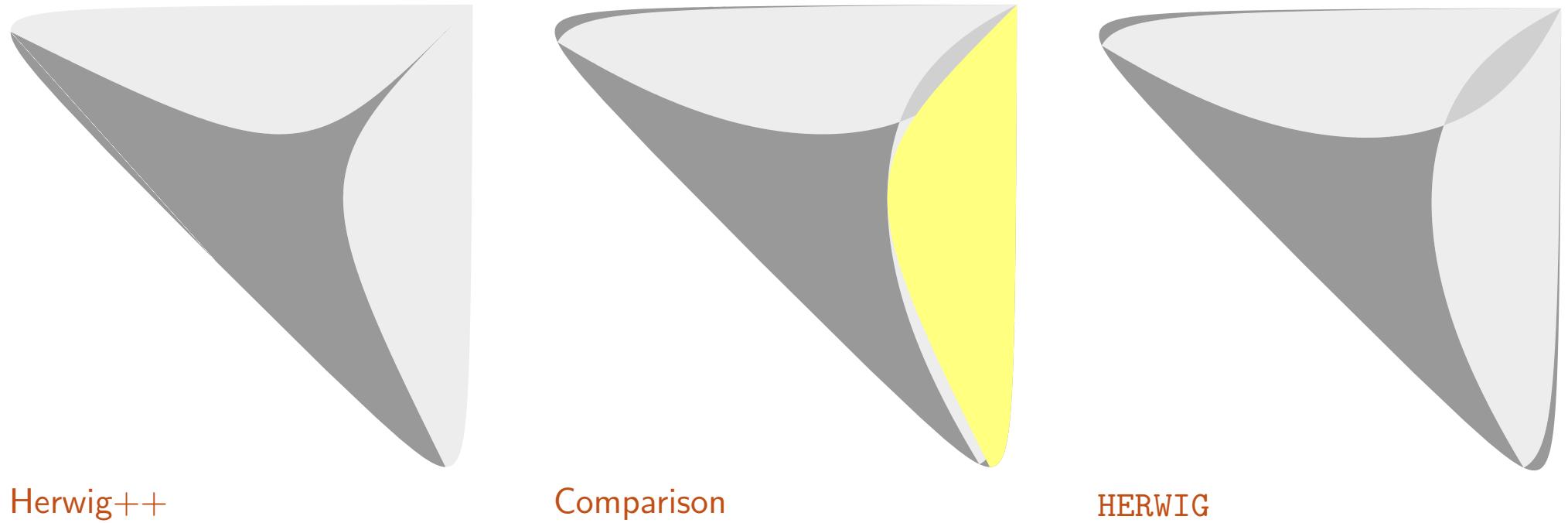
$$\begin{aligned} e^+ e^- &\rightarrow Z^0, e^+ e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}, \\ \text{QCD } 2 &\rightarrow 2, pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}, \\ pp &\rightarrow (\gamma, Z^0) \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-, pp \rightarrow W^\pm \rightarrow \ell^\pm \nu_\ell, \\ pp &\rightarrow h^0 + \text{jet}, pp \rightarrow \gamma + \text{jet}, pp \rightarrow \gamma\gamma. \end{aligned}$$

- **LesHouchesFileReader** enables to read in and process *any* hard event generated by parton level event generators (**MadGraph/MadEvent**, **AlpGen**, **CompHEP**, ...).

However: HELAS like structures are already implemented for decays and spin correlations → allows us to code simple processes efficiently.

## New parton shower variables — HERWIG vs Herwig++

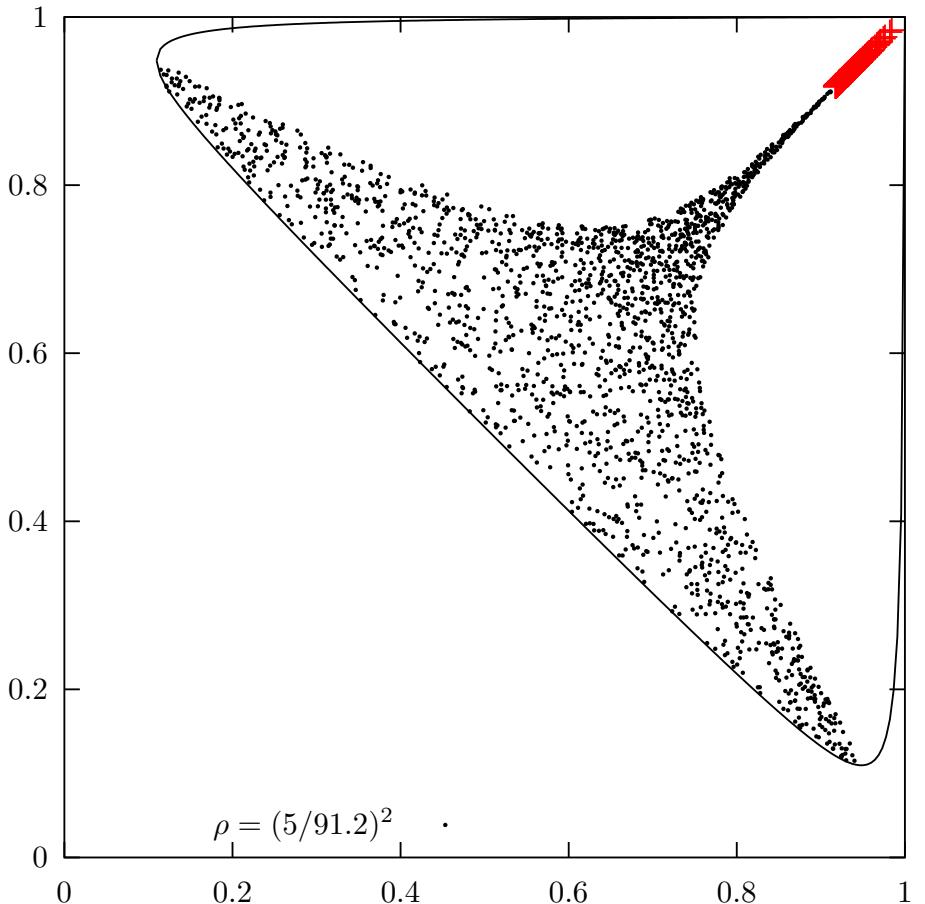
New evolution variables for parton shower evolution in Herwig++ [[hep-ph/0311208](#)].  
Consider  $(x, \bar{x})$  phase space for  $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}g$



- ✓ Smooth coverage of soft gluon region.
- ✓ No overlapping regions in phase space.
- ✓ Evolution of heavy quarks.

# Hard Matrix Element Corrections

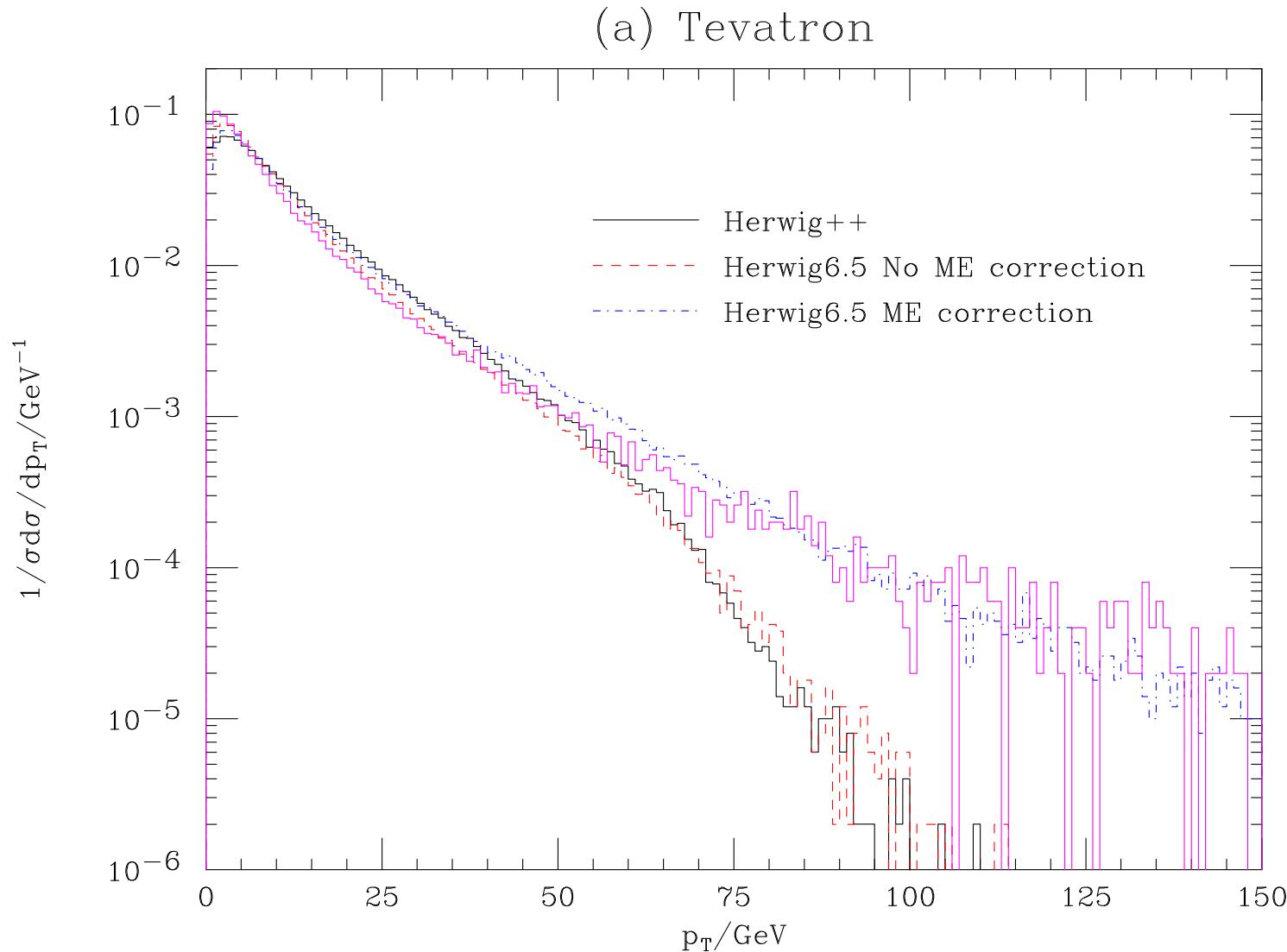
- Points  $(x, \bar{x})$  in **dead region** chosen acc to LO  $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}g$  matrix element and accepted acc to ME weight.
- About **3%** of all events are actually hard  $q\bar{q}g$  events.
- Red points have **weight > 1**, practically no error by setting weight to one.
- Event **oriented** according to given  $q\bar{q}$  geometry. Quark direction is kept with weight  $x^2/(x^2 + \bar{x}^2)$ .



$$\rho = (5/91.2)^2$$

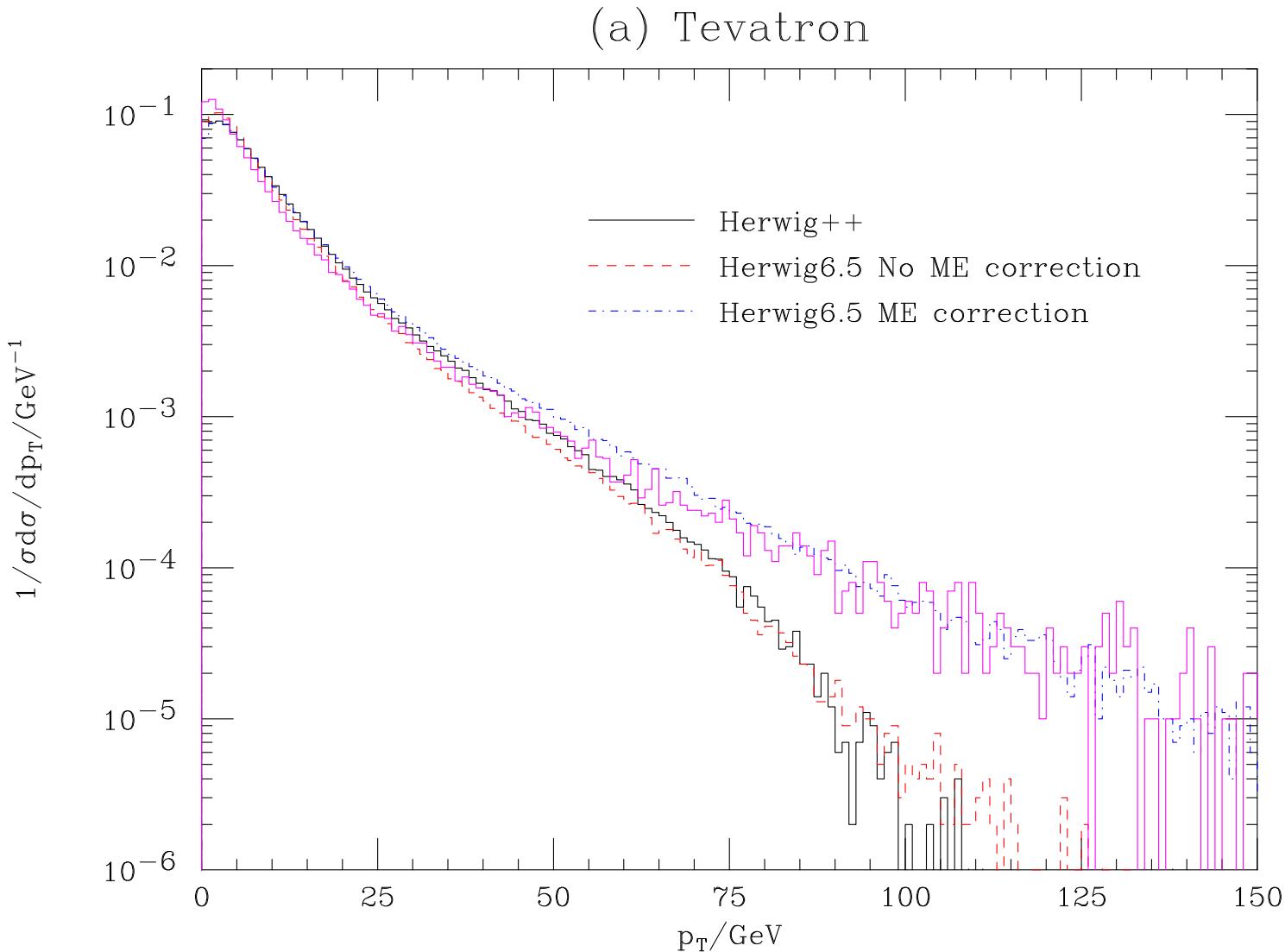
To be complemented by soft ME corrections.

# $W^\pm$ Boson $p_\perp$ distribution



New: Hard ME correction in Herwig++.

# $Z^0$ Boson $p_\perp$ distribution

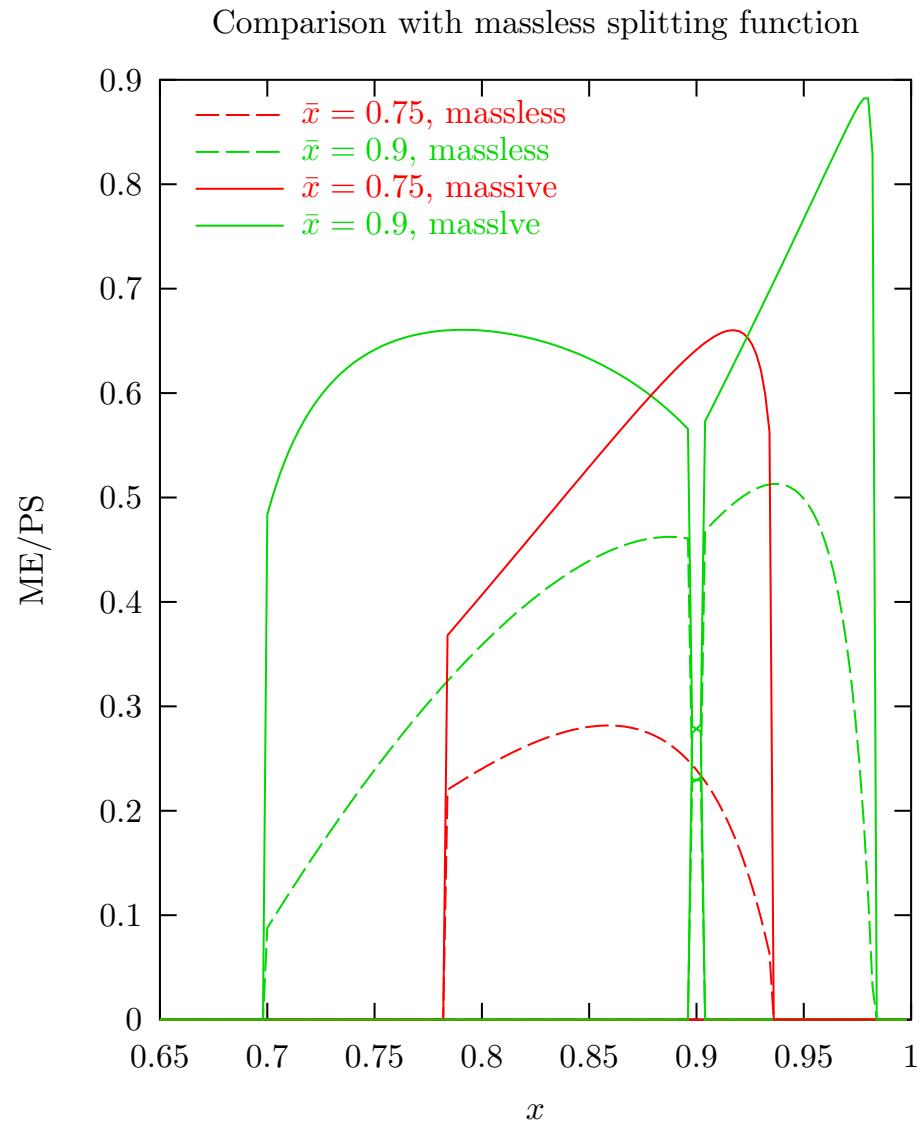
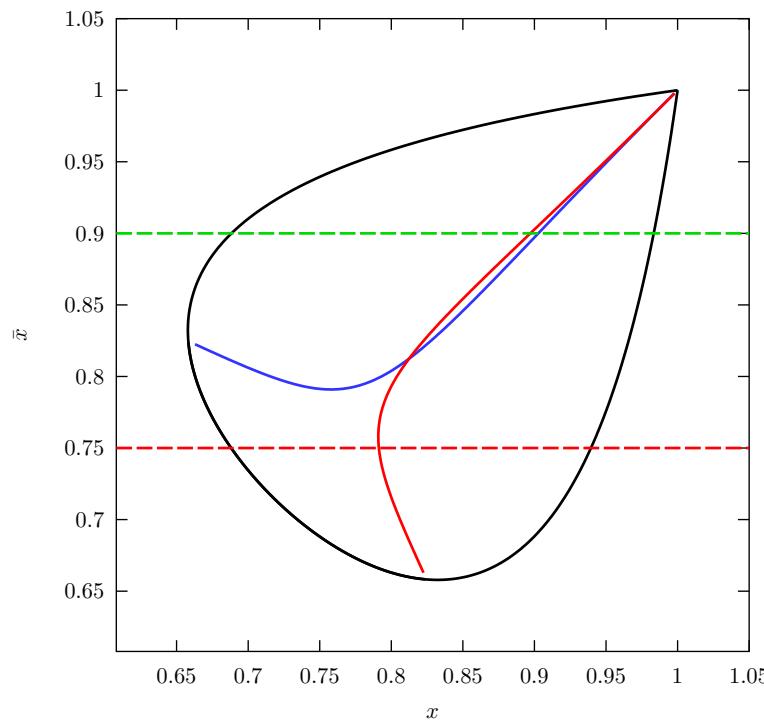


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# Soft Matrix Element Corrections

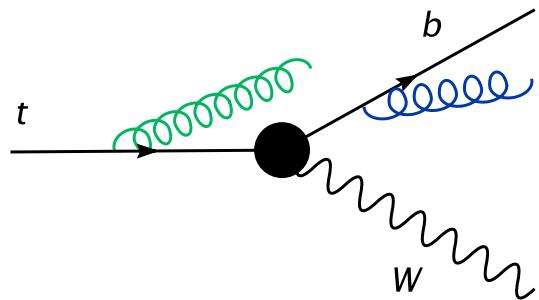
- Ratio ME/PS compares emission with result from true ME if slightly away from soft/collinear region.
- **Veto** on ‘hardest emission so far’ in  $p_\perp$ .
- **Massive splitting function very important!**

Example with heavy quark,  $m^2/Q^2 = 0.1$ , ( $t\bar{t}$ ,  $Q = 500$  GeV):

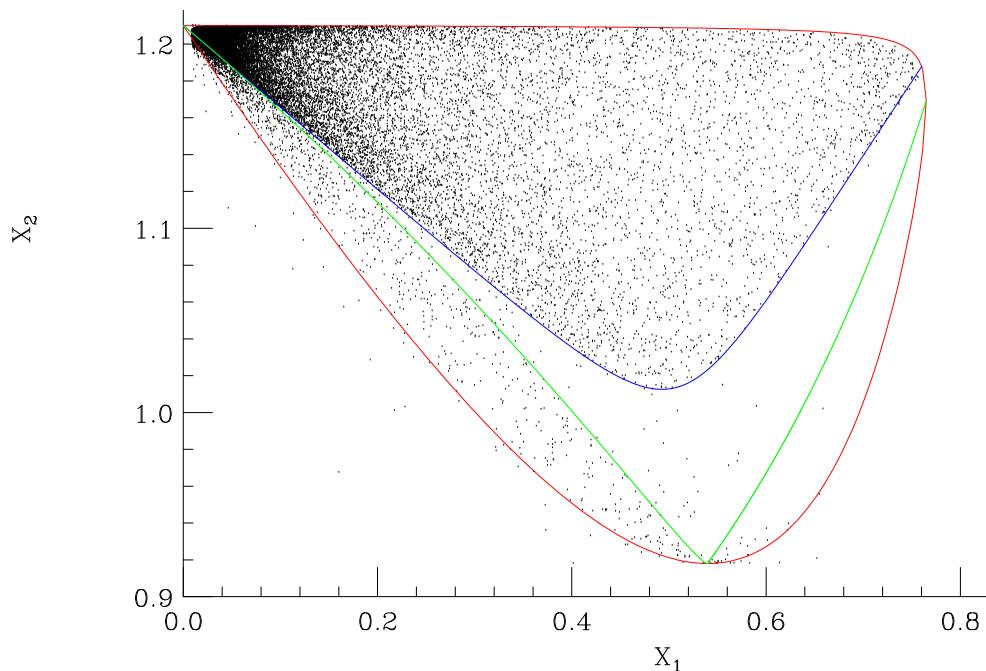


# Soft ME Corrections in $t$ Decays

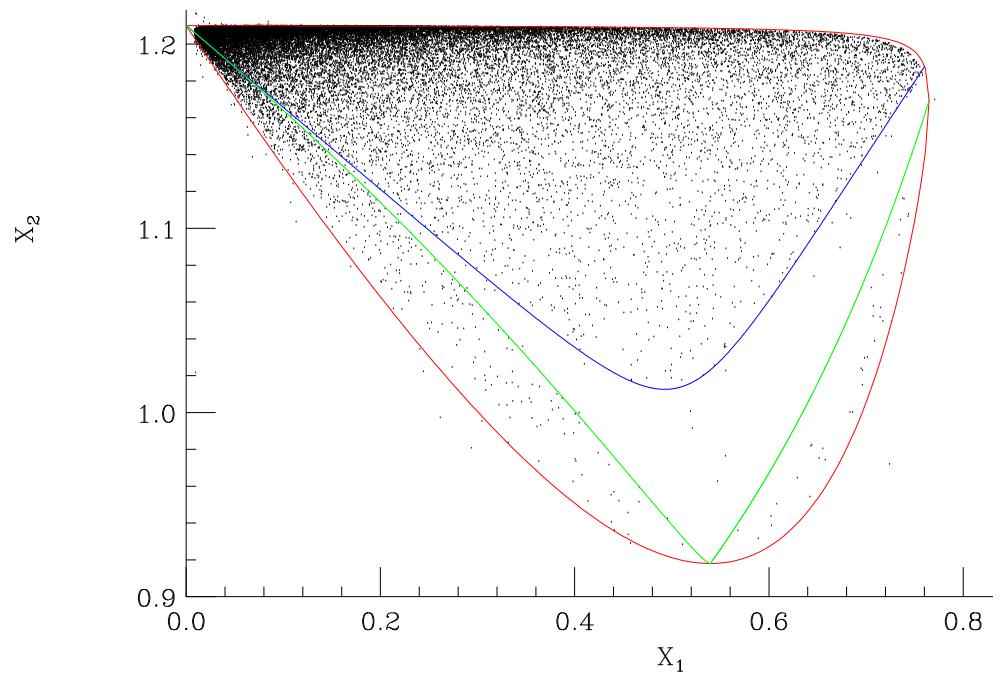
Smooth coverage of soft gluon region from both parton showers.



$$x_1 = \frac{2q_g \cdot p_t}{m_t^2}, \quad x_2 = \frac{2q_W \cdot p_t}{m_t^2}$$



w/o soft ME correction



with soft ME correction

# Cluster hadronization in a nutshell

- Nonperturbative  $g \rightarrow q\bar{q}$  splitting ( $q = uds$ ) isotropically.  
Here,  $m_g \approx 750 \text{ MeV} > 2m_q$ .
- Cluster formation, universal spectrum (see below)
- Cluster fission, until

$$M^p < M_{\max}^p + (m_1 + m_2)^p$$

where masses are chosen from

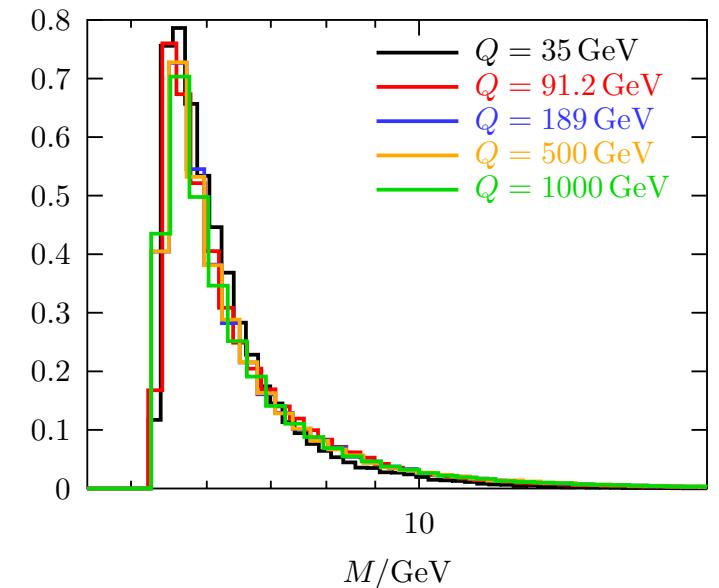
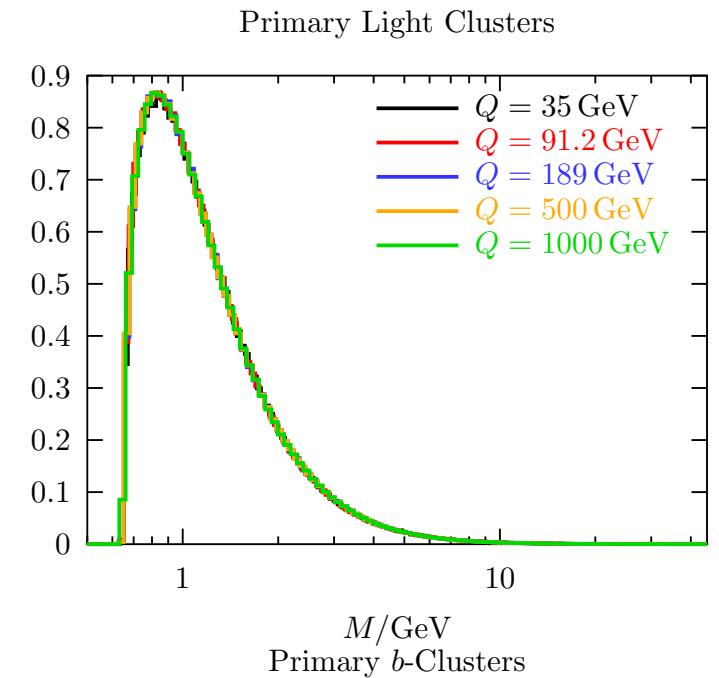
$$M_i = \left[ \left( M^P - (m_i + m_3)^P \right) r_i + (m_i + m_3)^P \right]^{1/P},$$

with additional phase space constraints. Constituents keep moving in their original direction.

- Cluster Decay

$$P(a_{i,q}, b_{q,j}|i, j) = \frac{W(a_{i,q}, b_{q,j}|i, j)}{\sum_{M/B} W(c_{i,q'}, d_{q',j}|i, j)}.$$

New in Herwig++ Meson/Baryon ratio is parametrized in terms of diquark weight. In HERWIG the sum ran over all possible hadrons.



# Hadronic Decays

- FORTRAN HERWIG is reproduced with **Hw64Decayer** using the same Matrix element codes as before.
- Works fine. Still default.
- *New!* Better decayers are being developed for almost all decay modes.
- $\rightarrow B$  decays.
- Spin correlations will be included.
- Major effort ongoing
  - a universal database is set up.
  - contains 473 particles and 6675 decay modes at present.
  - possibility to generate configuration files for different generators.

The screenshot shows a Mozilla Firefox browser window displaying the 'Herwig++ Particle Properties DataBase'. The title bar reads 'Herwig++ Particle Properties DataBase - Mozilla Firefox'. The address bar shows the URL <http://www.ippp.dur.ac.uk/~richardn/particles/production/>. The page content is titled 'Herwig++ Particle Properties DataBase'. It states: 'This is the development version of the Herwig++ particle properties database. This is intended to replace the storage of particle properties as a text file to improve maintainance and accessibility.' Below this, it says: 'This version is for the Herwig authors only and much of the information is preliminary.' It also notes: 'The database currently contains 473 particles and 6675 decay modes.' The text 'The information is available in a number of forms' is followed by a bulleted list:

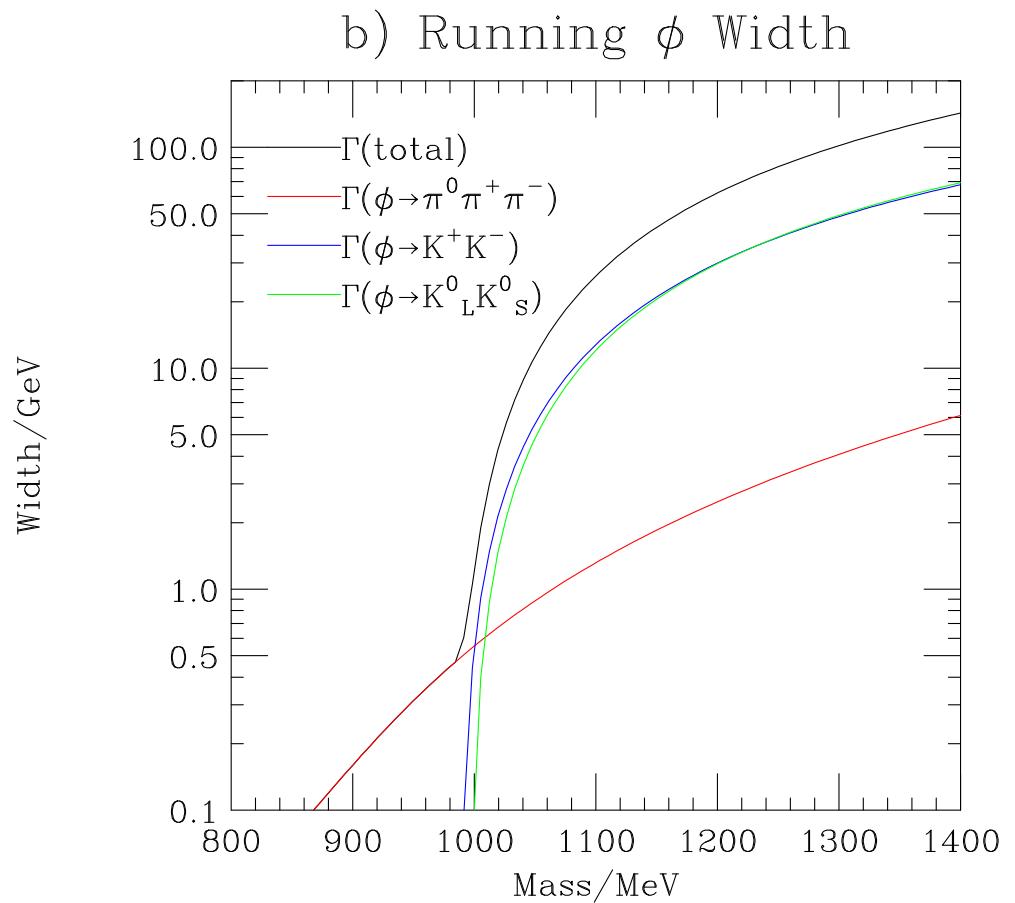
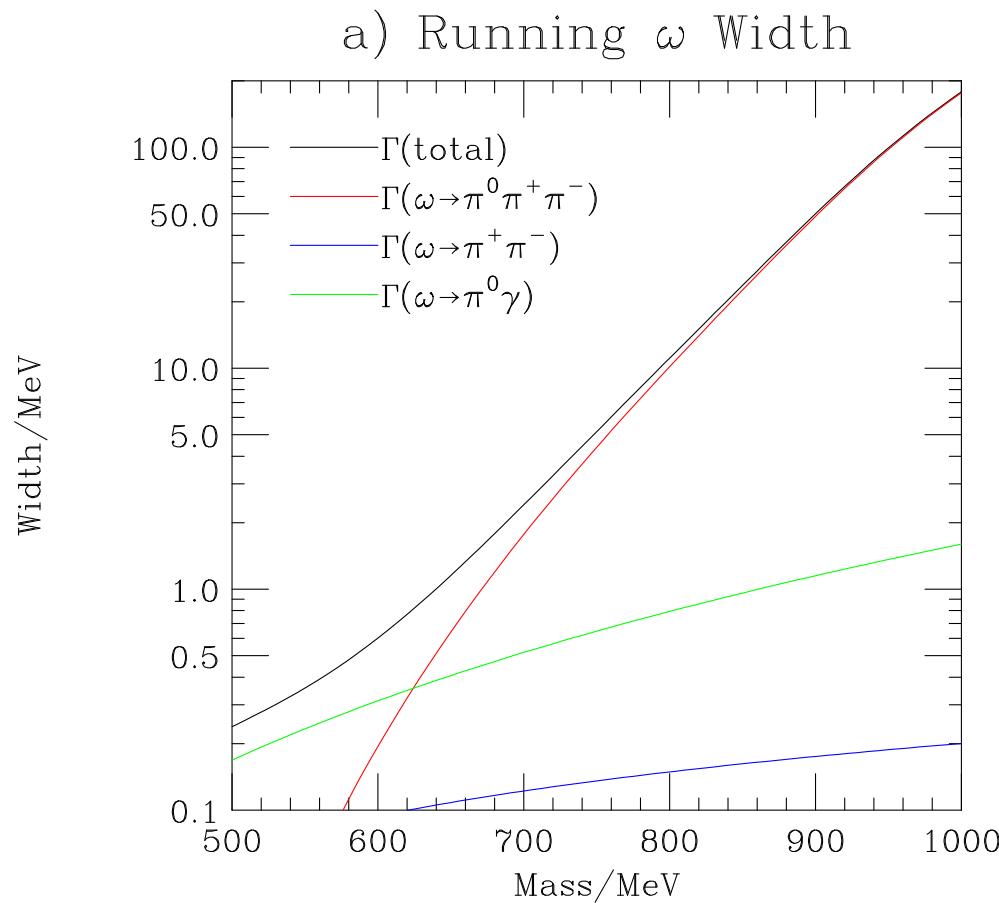
- The particles [numerically listed](#) according to the [PDG code](#)
- The particles [listed](#) according to the multiplets taken from the [PDG](#)
- The [decayers](#)
- The [Width Generators](#)
- The [Mass Generators](#)
- The [references](#)
- Generate the [input files](#) for event generation

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- Add or modify a particle:
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## Running Widths

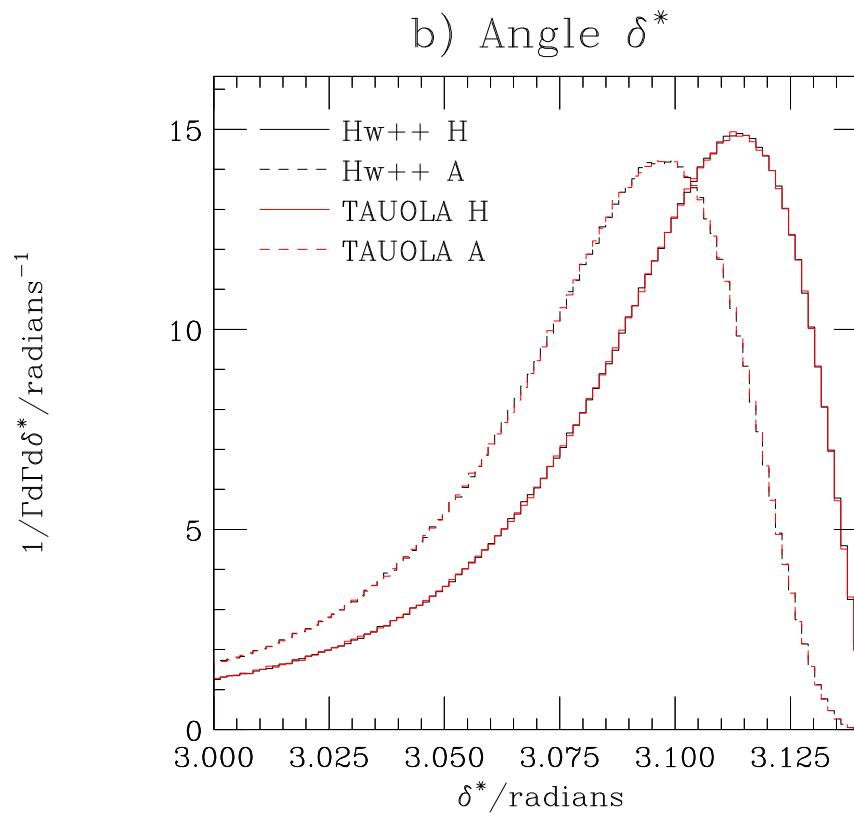
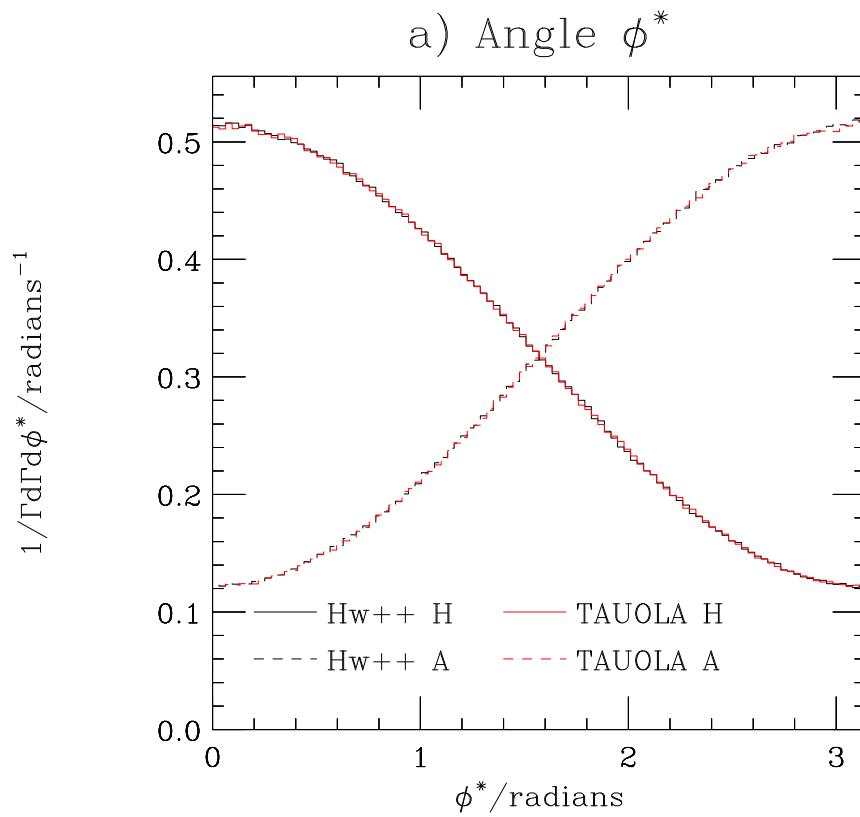
Masses are generated acc to Breit–Wigner like distribution. Subsequent decays will depend on that.



Important for spin correlation algorithm.

# Spin Correlations

Use narrow-width approximation for cascade decays. Spin correlations are restored, based upon PR's algorithm.

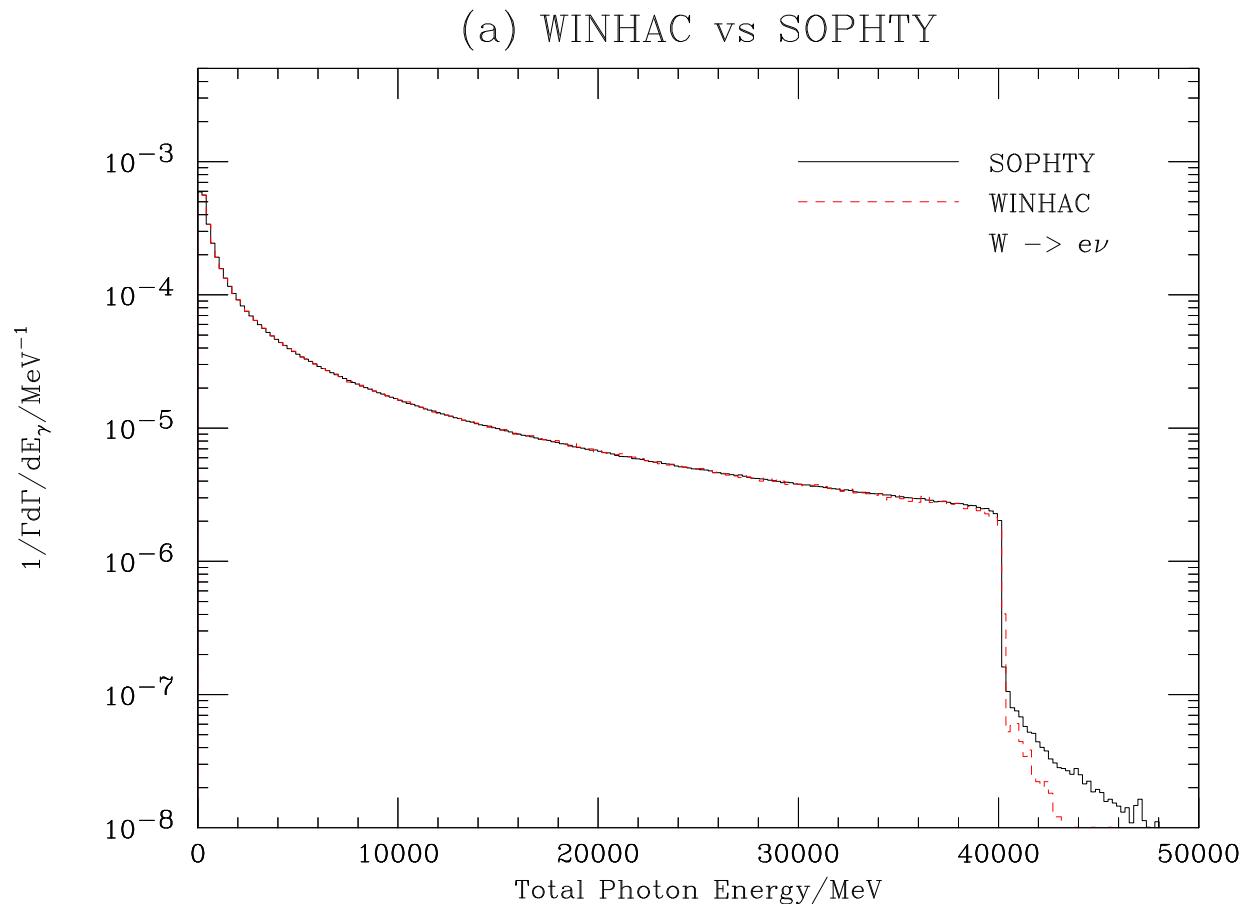


$H, A \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$ , followed by  $\tau^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \nu_\tau$ .

$\phi^*$  = angle between decay planes of  $\tau$ 's.  $\delta^*$  = angle between  $\pi$ 's in rf of  $H/A$ .

# Photon Radiation in Decays

New package SOPHTY included in Herwig++. YFS multiple photon radiation with some hard component.



[K. Hamilton, P. Richardson, hep-ph/0603034]

## Validation: Herwig++ 1.0

Tested parton shower and hadronization against LEP in great detail [[hep-ph/0311208](#)].

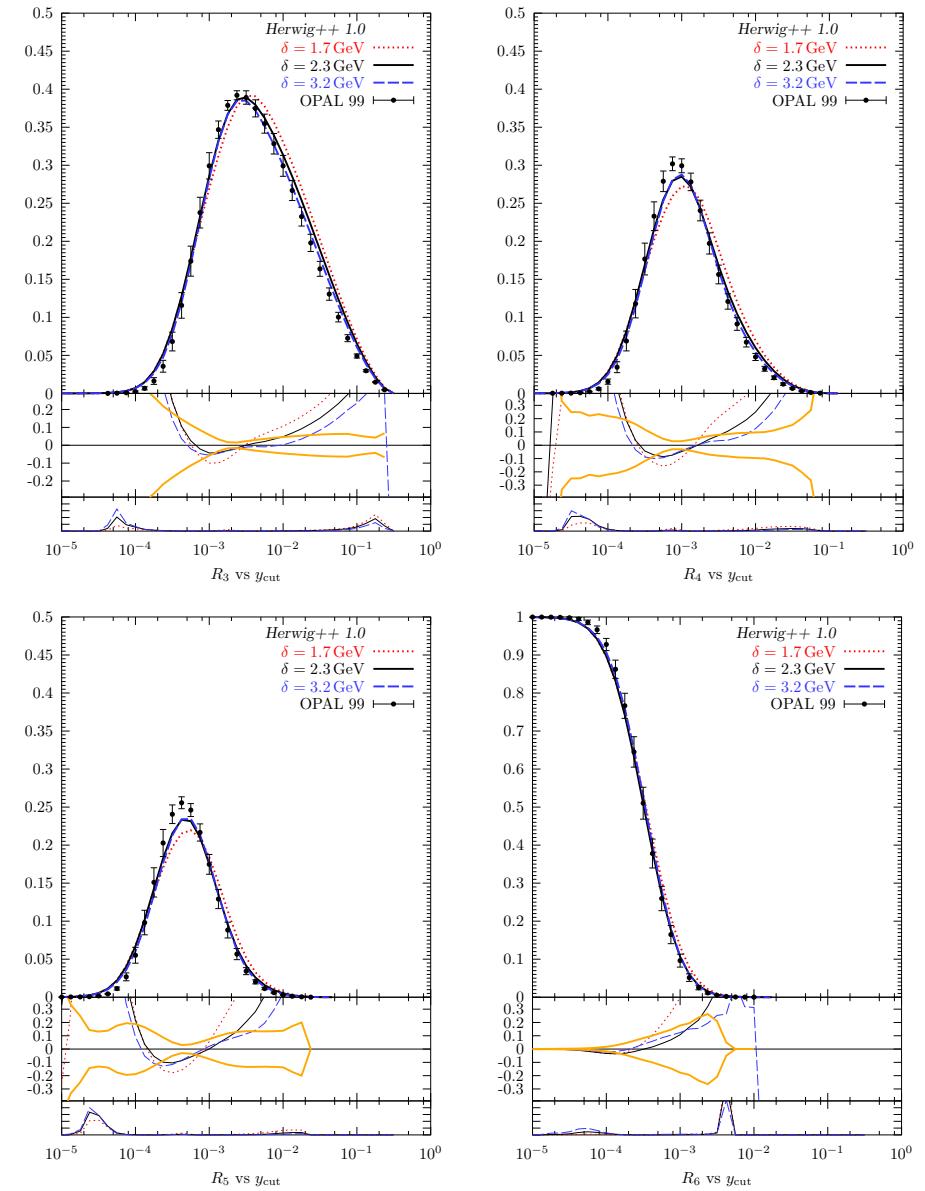
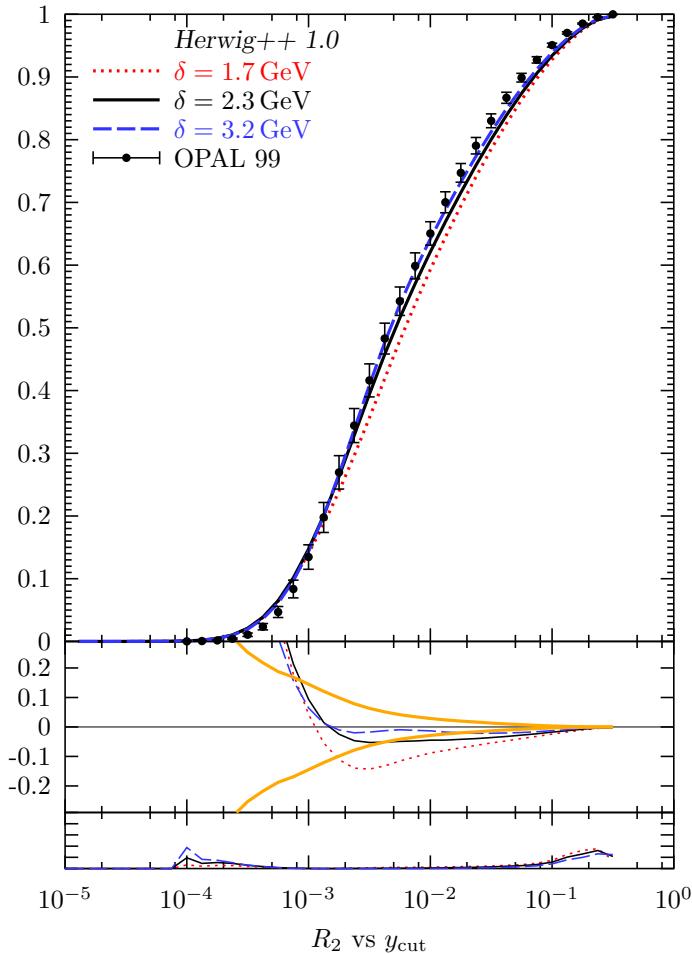
- Hadronization against hadron multiplicities. Find some improvements wrt HERWIG.
- Single particle distributions → hadronization and shower.
- jets, jets, jets.
- Event shapes.
- $B$  fragmentation function (new parton shower).

Only small fraction shown here.

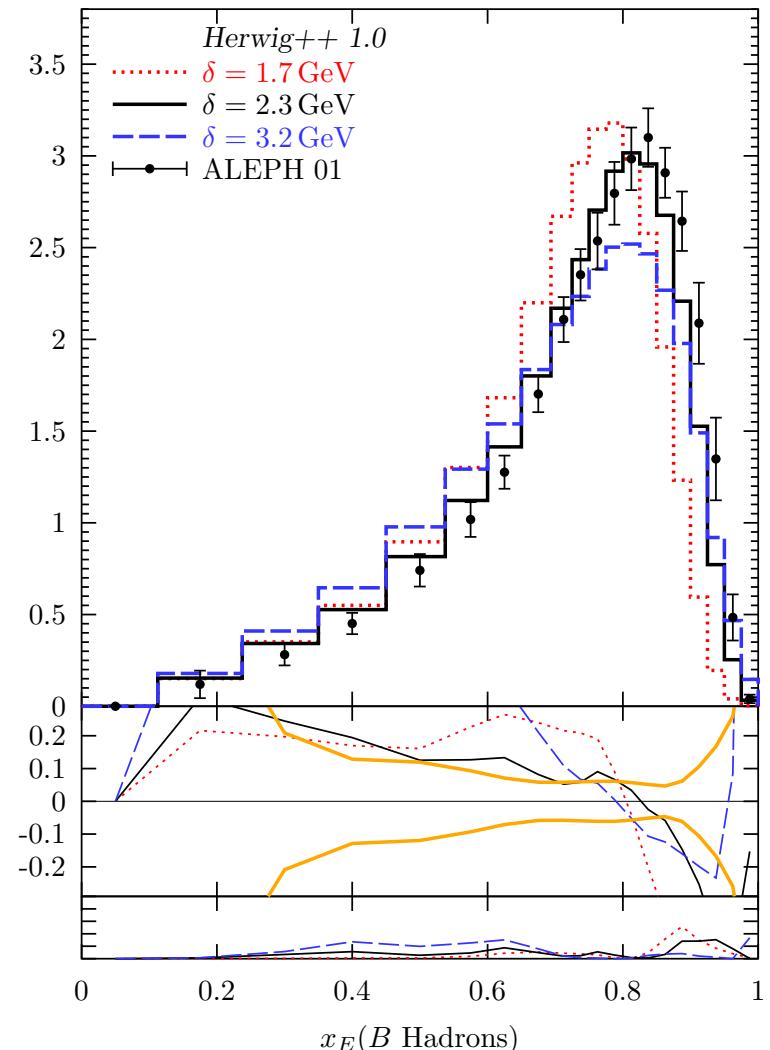
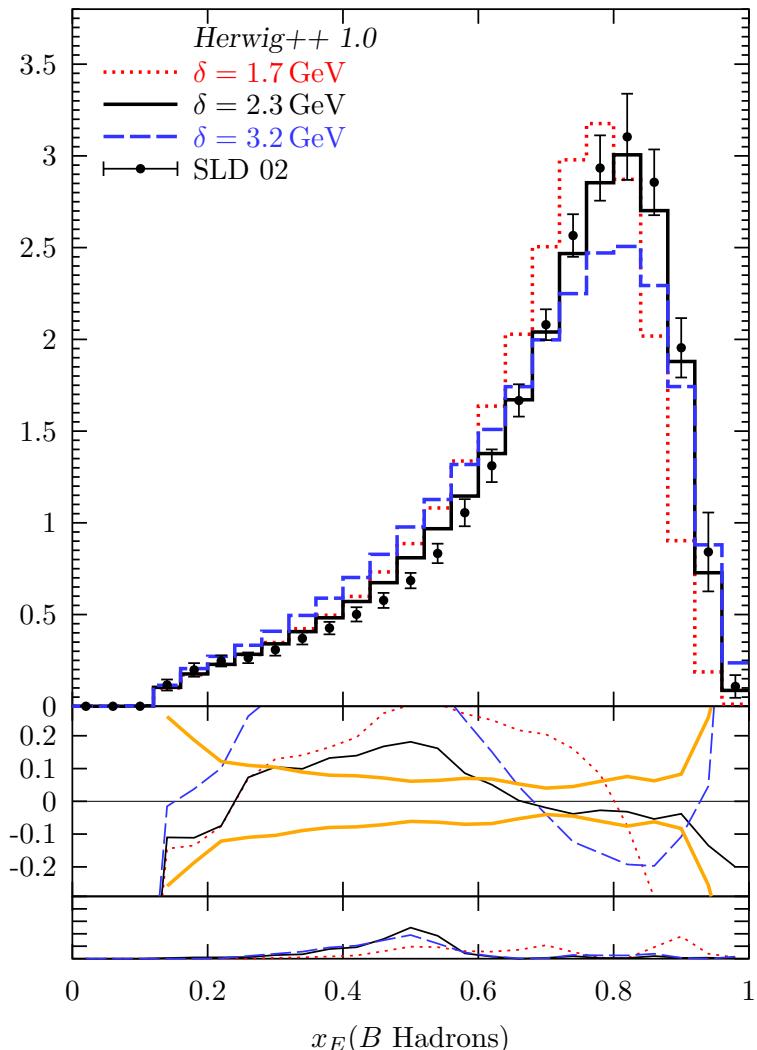
# Jet Rates

$$R_n = \sigma(n\text{-jets})/\sigma(\text{jets}) \quad (n = 2..5)$$

$$R_6 = \sigma(> 5\text{-jets})/\sigma(\text{jets})$$



## B-fragmentation function

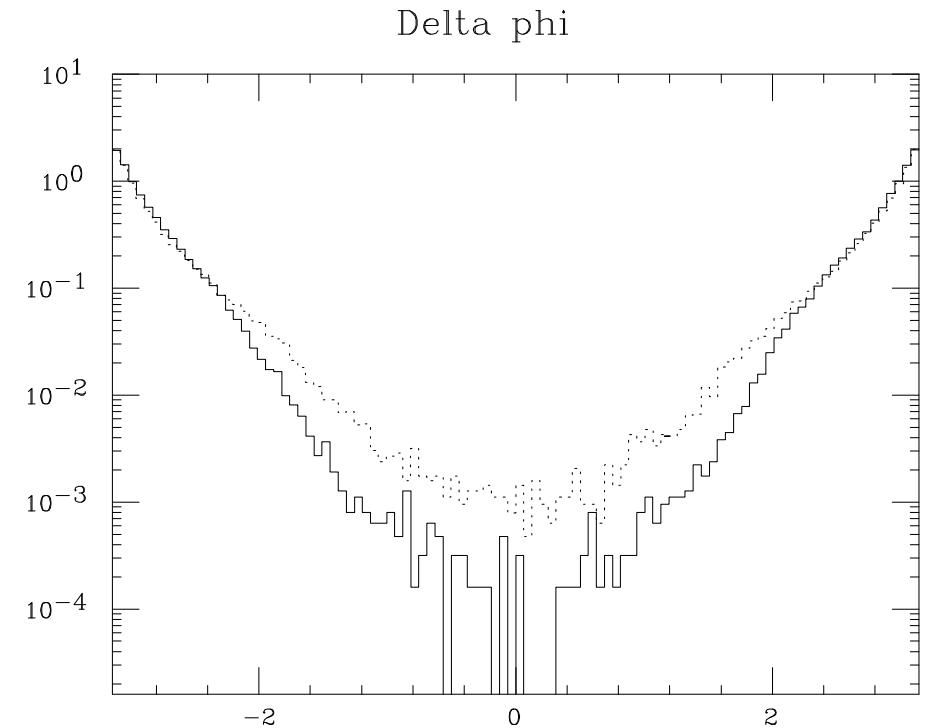
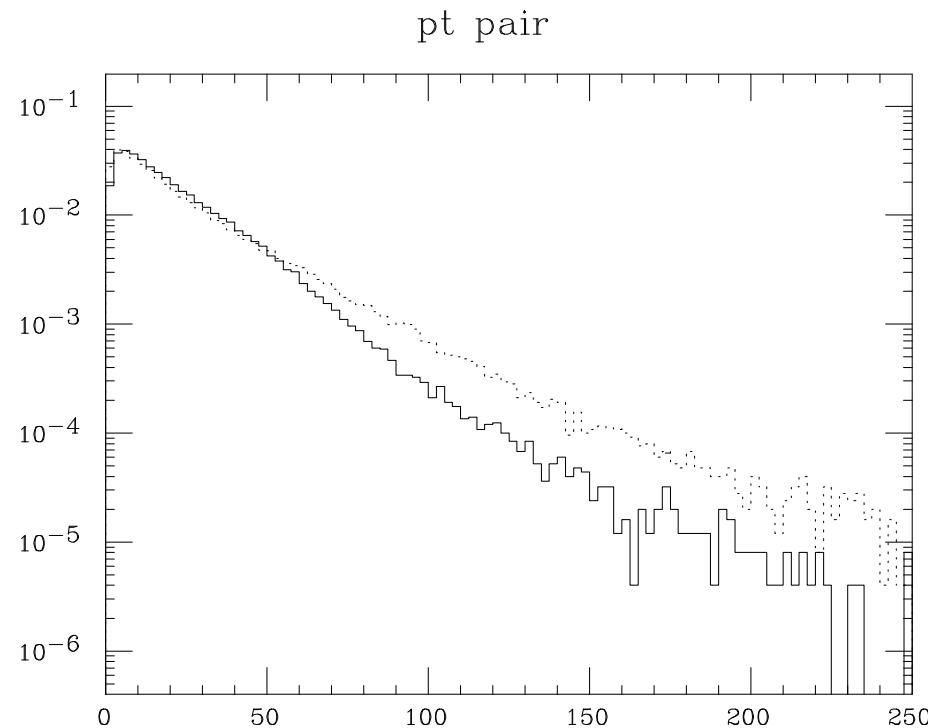


Only parton shower parameters varied

Strong improvement wrt HERWIG, due to new parton shower in Herwig++.

## Testing against fHERWIG

Eg  $\gamma$ -pair production. Observables sensitive to shower.  $p_T/\text{GeV}$  of the  $\gamma$ -pair and the azimuthal difference  $\Delta\phi$ . Very useful cross check.



Solid: fHERWIG. Dotted: Herwig++. Herwig++ shower somewhat harder.

This is *only* internal validation. No replacement for validation/tuning efforts by experiments!

# Currently

Main goal: LHC physics.

From version 2.0 $\beta$

- $W^\pm, Z^0$  production.
- Backward evolution.
- New hadronic decays.

[hep-ph/0602069]

From full version 2.0:

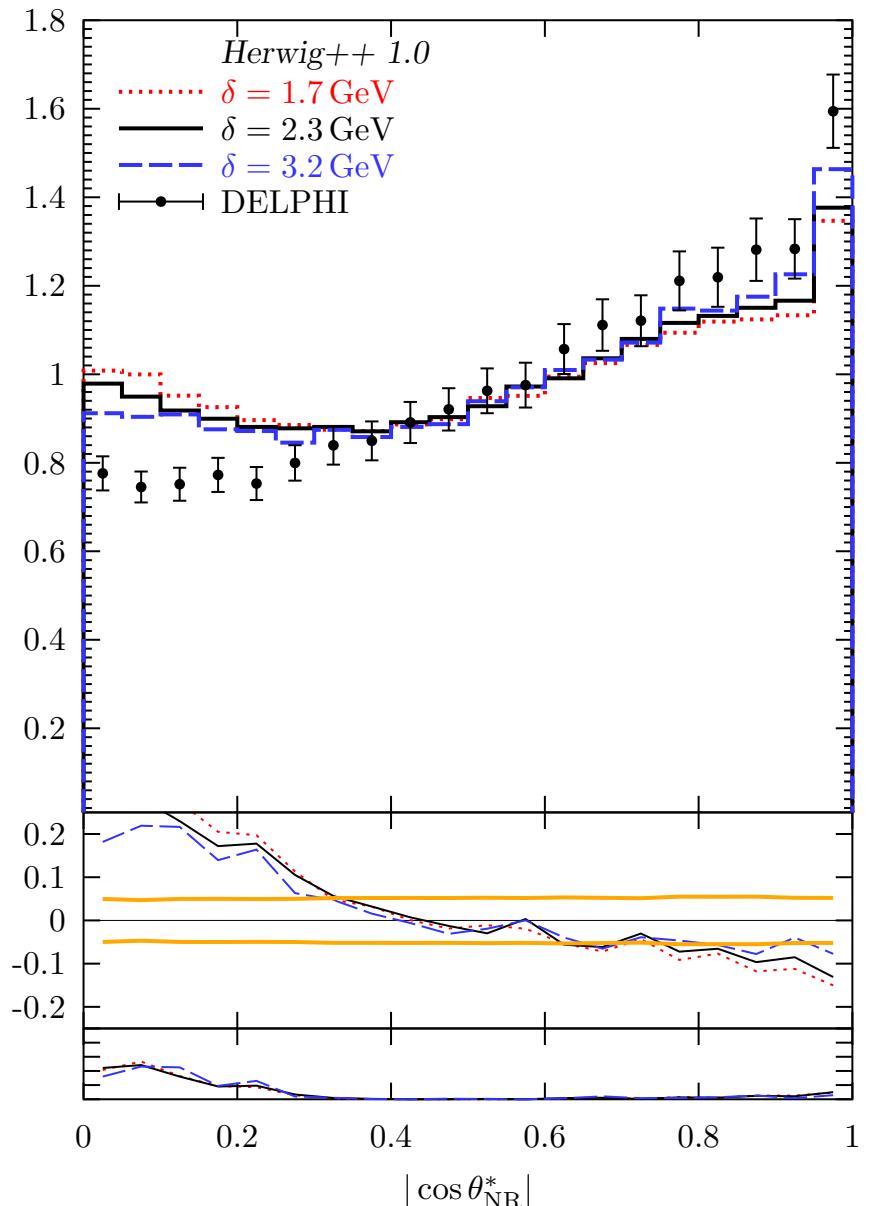
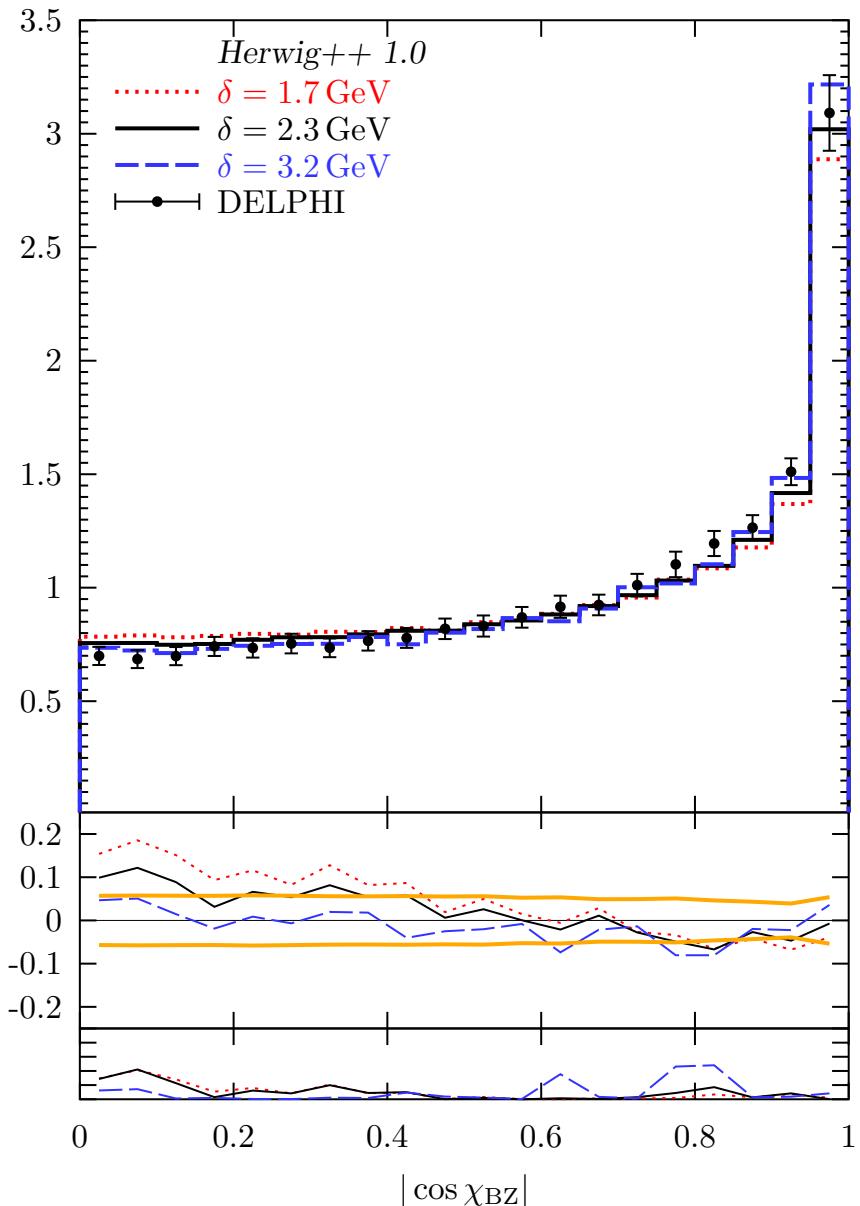
- Full timelike showers
- UA5 type underlying event
- Jet production, more hard processes
- ME correction to DY
- $\gamma$  radiation in decays
- *Everything you need to simulate LHC final states*

[hep-ph/0609306]

Current version is 2.0.1.

- Bugfixes
- 30% performance boost!

# Four Jet Angles



## CKKW basics

Consider  $n$ -jet rates (resolvable at  $Q_{\text{ini}}$ ), computed from Sudakov FF's  $\Delta_i(Q, q)$ , like

$$R_2(Q_{\text{ini}}) = \Delta_q(E, Q_{\text{ini}})^2$$

$$R_3(Q_{\text{ini}}) = 2\Delta_q(E, Q_{\text{ini}}) \int dq \Gamma_q(E, q) \frac{\Delta_q(E, Q_{\text{ini}})}{\Delta_q(E, q)} \Delta_q(q, Q_{\text{ini}}) \Delta_g(q, Q_{\text{ini}})$$

Necessary input is **NLL soft+collinear factorisation** ( $\Gamma_i$  is integrated DGLAP splitting-kernel):

$$d\sigma_3(E) \approx d\sigma_2 d\Gamma(E, Q_{\text{ini}}) .$$

Idea: turn the approximation your way

$$d\Gamma(E, Q_{\text{ini}}) d\sigma_2 \approx d\sigma_3(E) .$$

- Lhs and rhs both contain the full kinematic information.
- Using full ME rather than coll approximation is still a valid approximation.
- Now compute same jet rates with more accurate phase space population.
- Attach *vetoed* parton shower in order to (formally) get rid of residual  $Q_{\text{ini}}$  dependence.

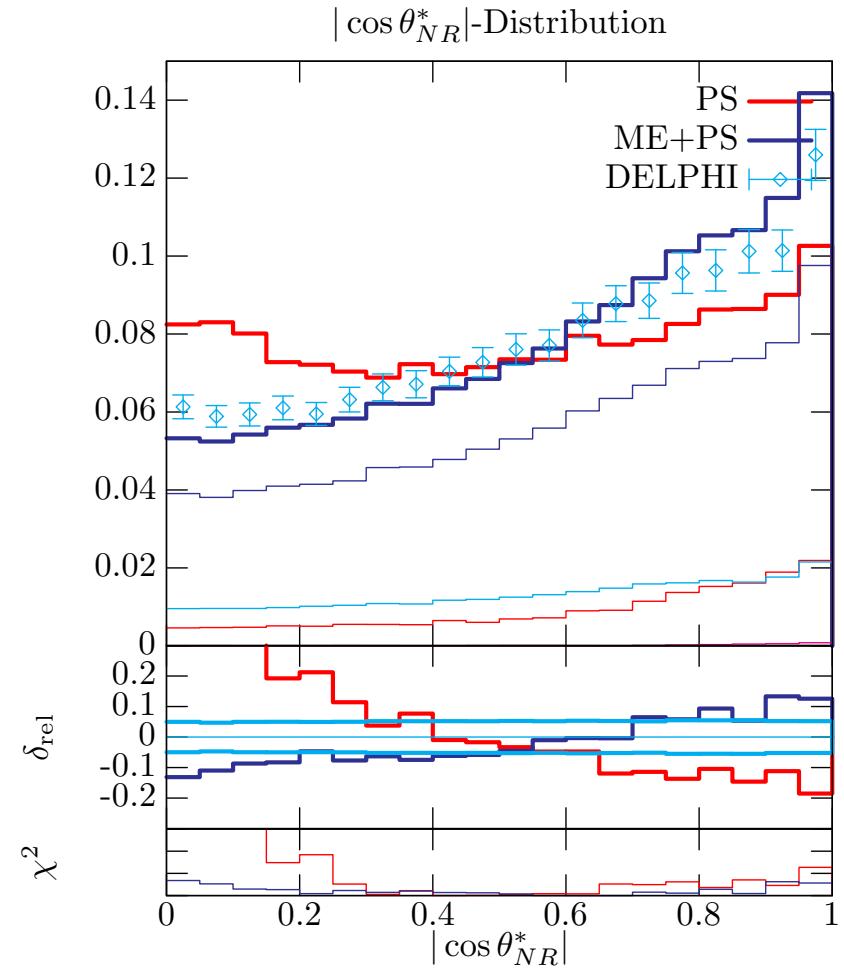
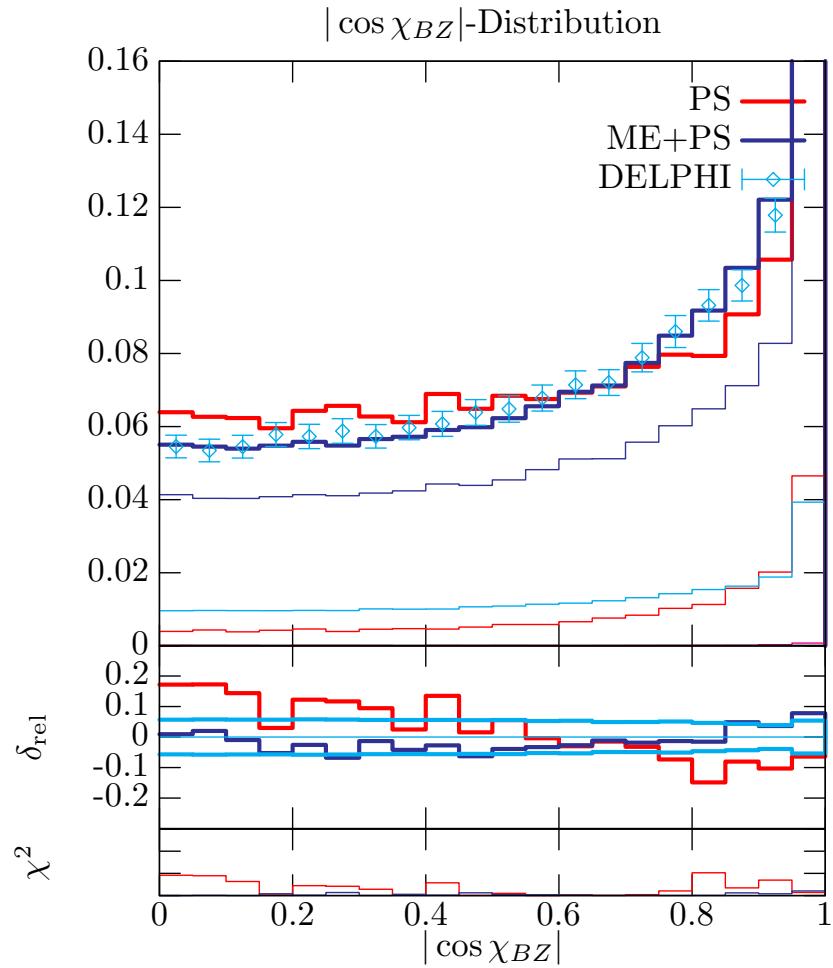
→ CKKW algorithm [Catani, Krauss, Kuhn, Webber, hep-ph/0109231; Krauss, hep-ph/0205283].

## Matching of Matrix elements and parton showers in Herwig++

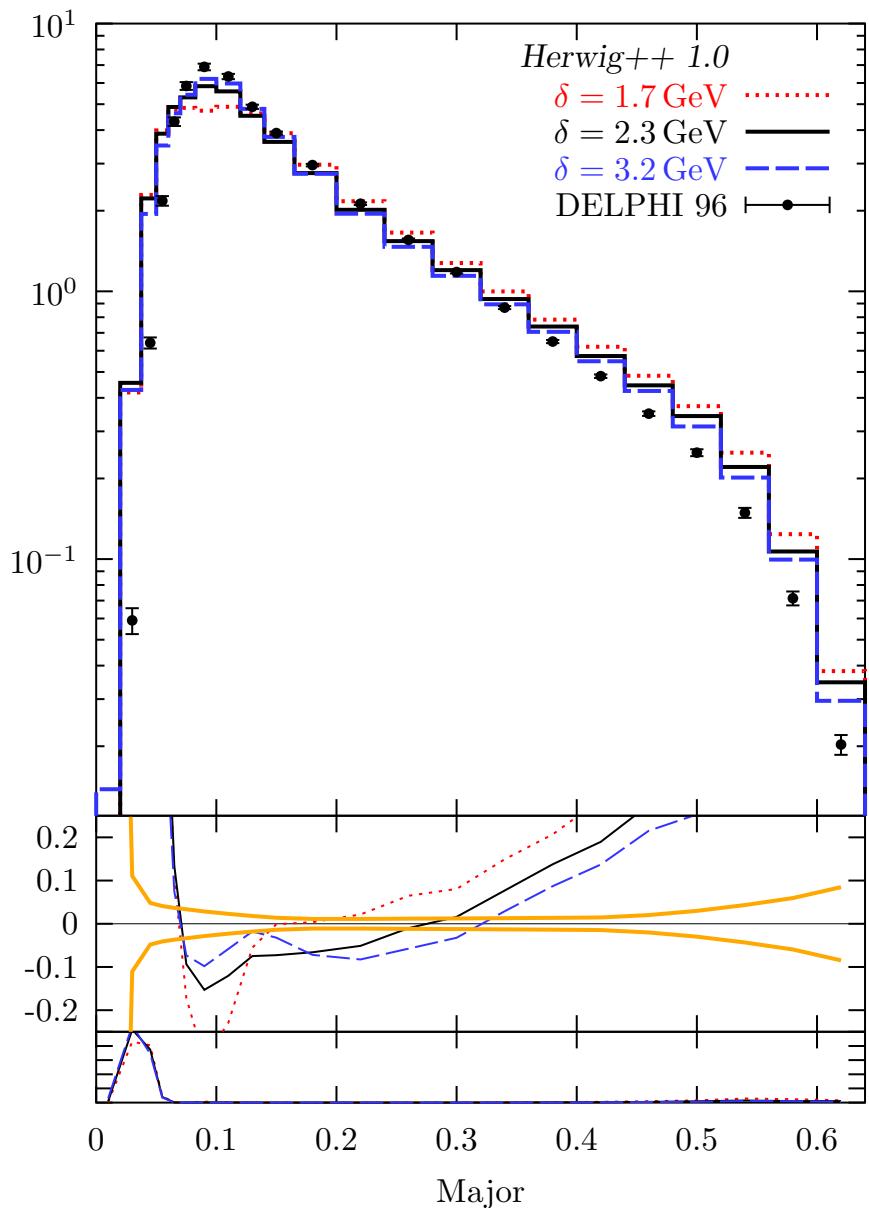
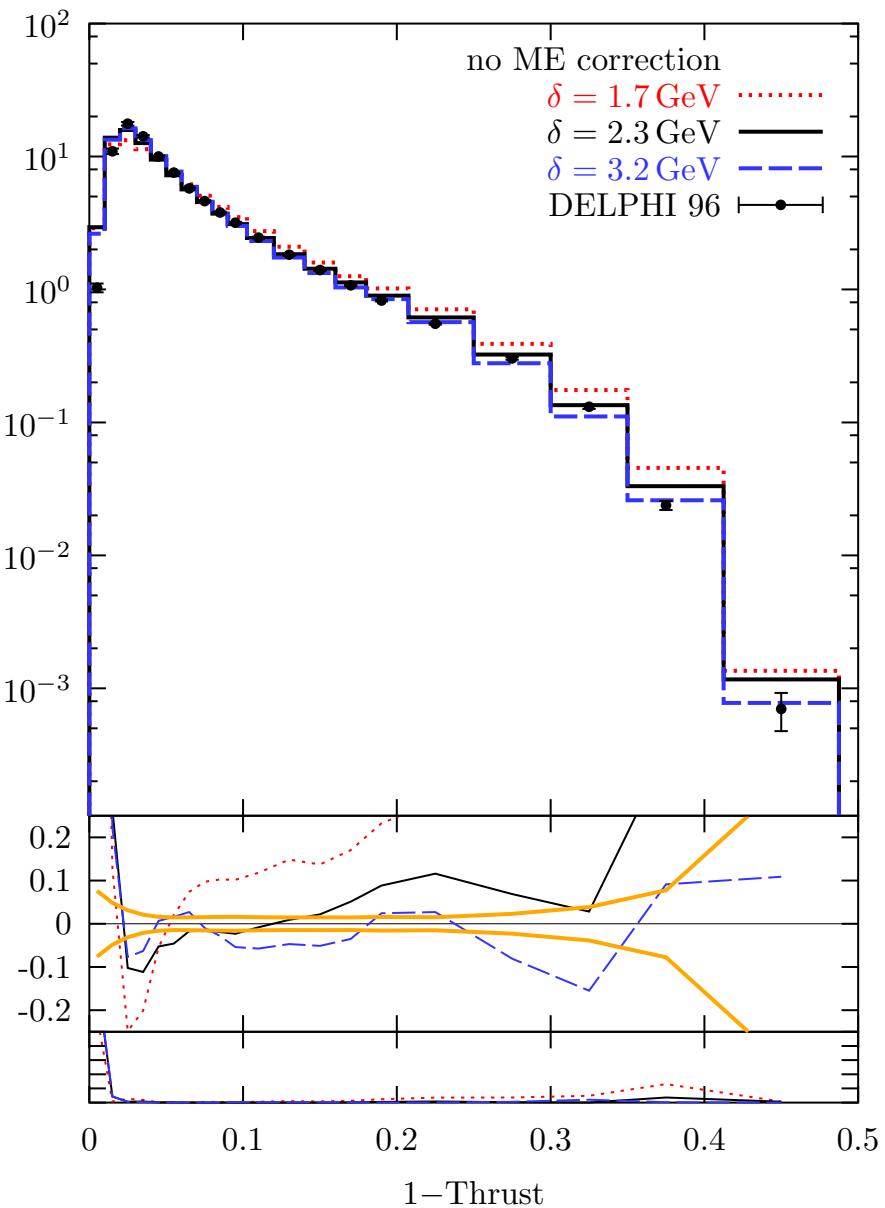
- Matching algorithm á la CKKW.
  - Requires new resolution criteria for Herwig++ specific parton shower evolution.
  - Angular ordering is usually not  $\sim k_\perp$  ordering.
  - Use full tree level matrix elements for additional jets.
  - Use full same Sudakovs (including terms beyond NLL) as the parton shower.
  - Rates still accurate to NLL, like parton shower.
  - Better description of interjet correlations due to full ME.
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- Currently developed for  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{jets}$ .
  - Implmented with hadronic interactions in mind.

# Four Jet Angles with ME+PS matching

Preliminary results from our ME+PS implementation



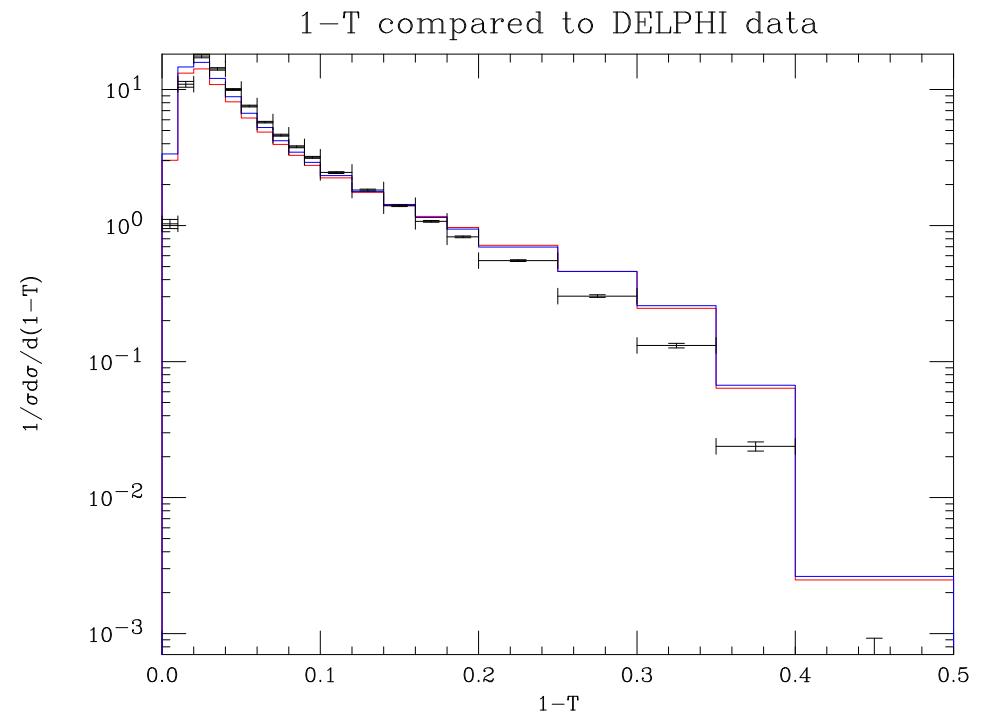
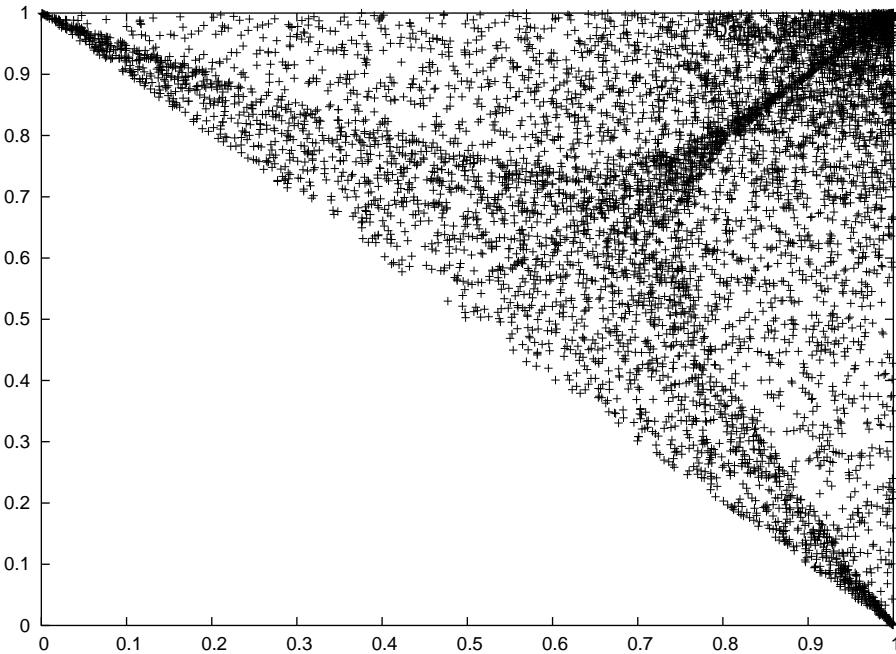
# Thrust, Thrust Major



# MC@NLO with Herwig++

Dalitz plot for  $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}g$  events.

Unweighted events in 'dead region' ( $w = 1$ ), counter events ( $w = -1$ ) in shower region.



Results for various events shapes are available. DY also done.

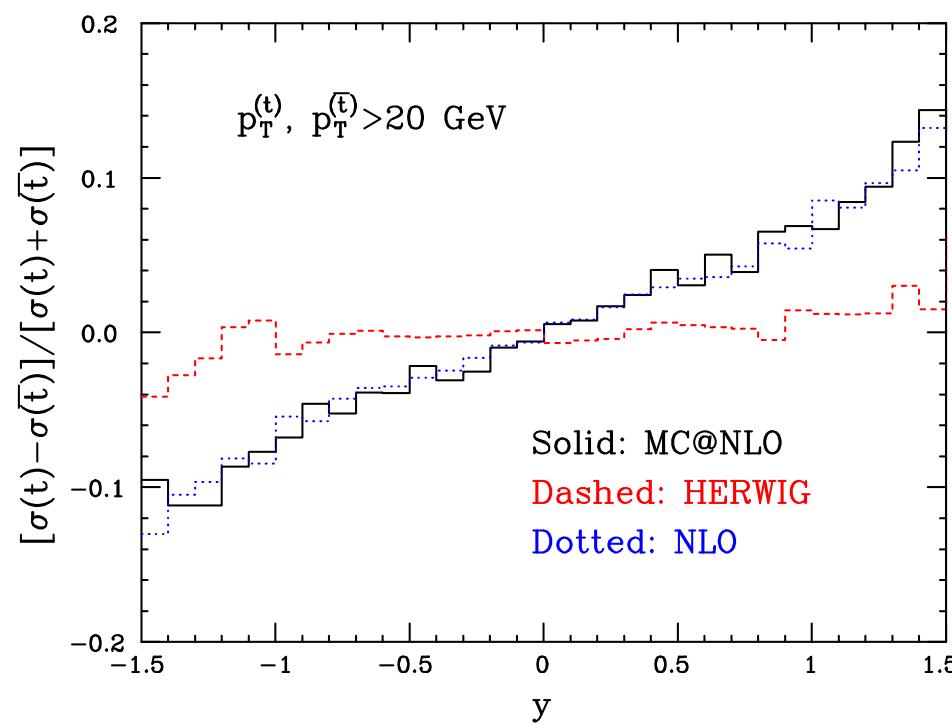
Effect similar to ME correction but histograms normalized to unity (no cross sections).

[Seyi Latunde-Dada]

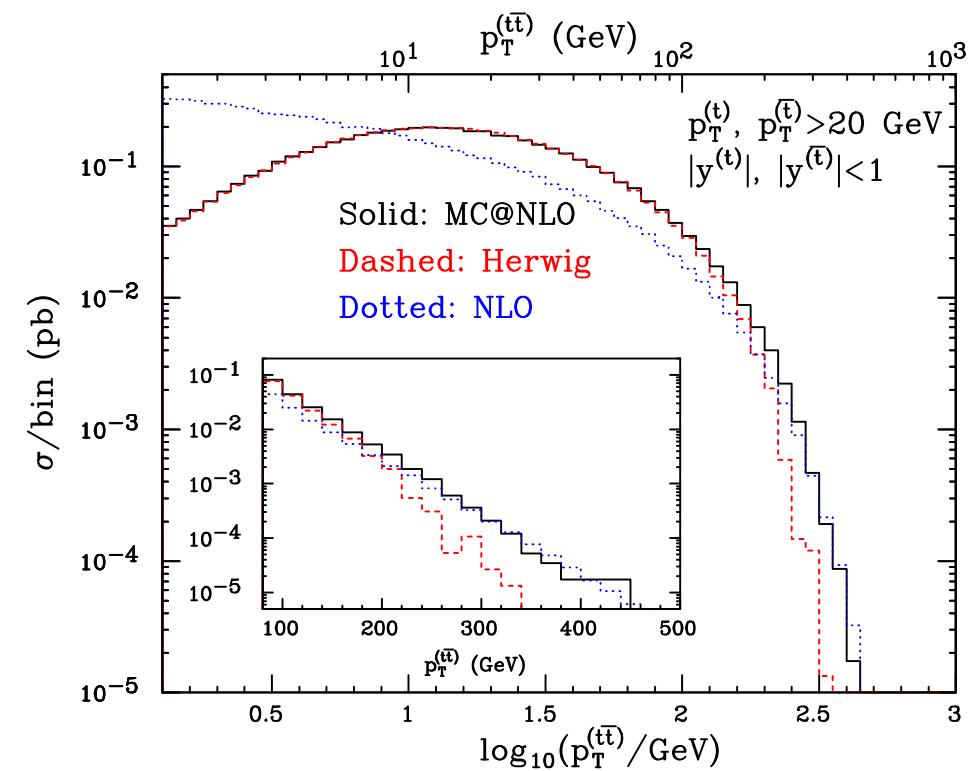
# $t\bar{t}$ in MC@NLO

Tevatron Run II

$y$  asymmetry of  $t, \bar{t}$



$p_\perp$  distribution of  $t\bar{t}$ -pair with cuts



[Frixione, Webber, Nason hep-ph/0305252]

## Hardest Emission First

- Alternative Method to match NLO computations with parton shower Monte Carlos proposed by P. Nason.
- Introduces Modified Sudakov FF for first emission, full NLO recovered upon expansion in  $\alpha_S$ .
- Problem in `Herwig++`: Angular ordered Parton Shower first emits fairly soft, large angle gluons, then high  $p_T$ .
- *Truncated Shower* adds in this radiation afterwards.
- Finally evolution with ‘ordinary’ Parton Shower.

Method avoids Phase Space division into hard/soft region. First emission may also be soft/collinear.

[Nason, hep-ph/0409146; Nason, Ridolfi hep-ph/0606275]

## Hardest Emission First (ctd')

Use full real ME for hardest emission,

$$R(x, y) = \sigma_B W(x, y) = \sigma_B \frac{2\alpha_s}{3\pi} \frac{x^2 + y^2}{(1-x)(1-y)}$$

Using

$$\bar{B}(v) = B(v) + V(v) + \int (R(v, r) - C(v, r)) d\Phi_r ,$$

we may write the differential cross section as

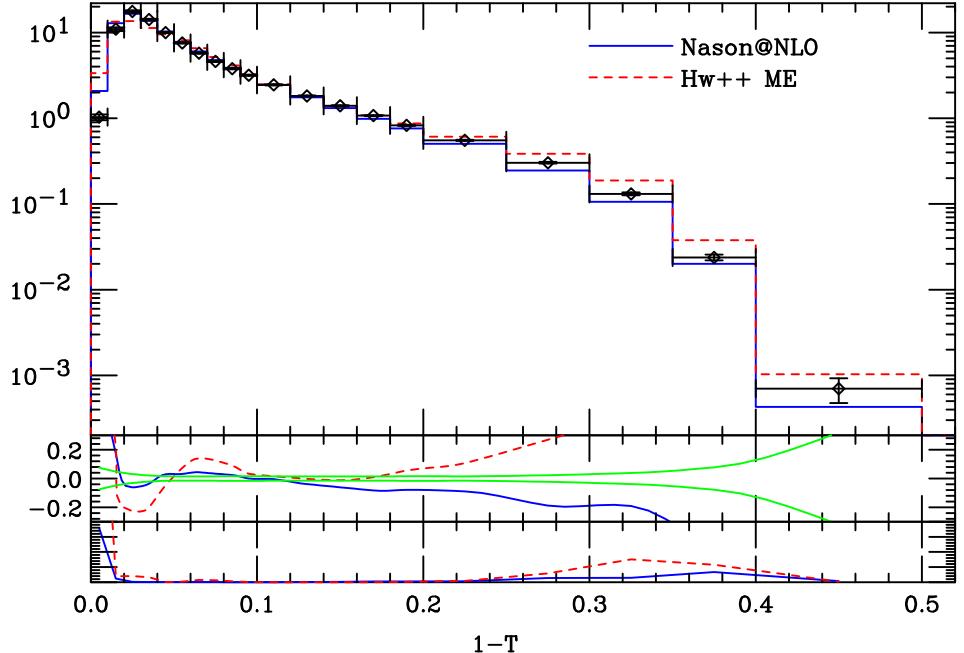
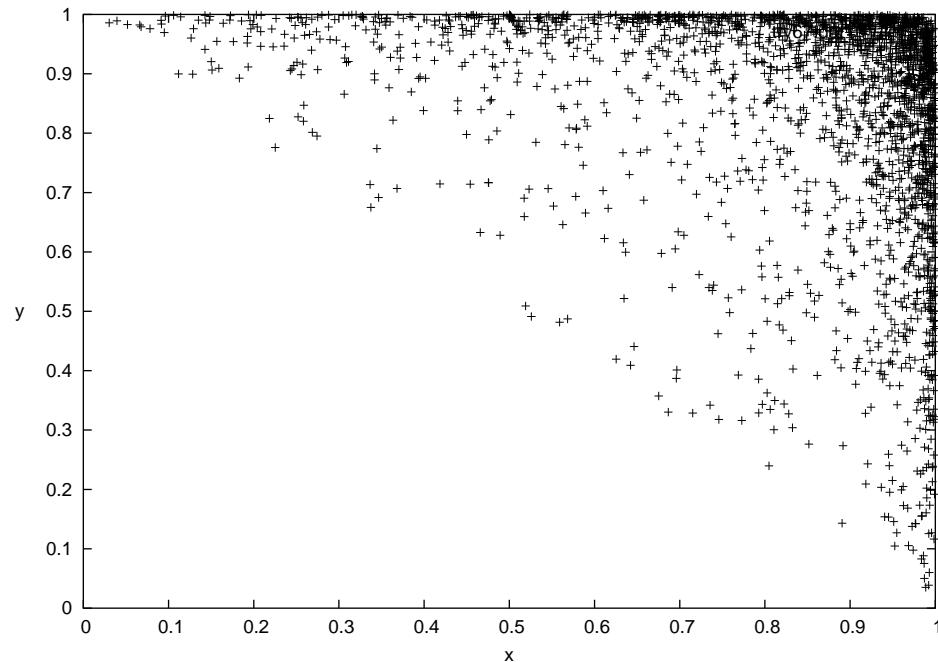
$$d\sigma = \sum \bar{B}(v) d\Phi_v \left[ \Delta_R^{(NLO)}(0) + \Delta_R^{(NLO)}(p_T) \frac{R(v, r)}{B(v)} d\Phi_r \right]$$

where we have introduced the **modified Sudakov form factor**  $\Delta_R^{NLO}(p_T)$  for the hardest emission with transverse momentum  $p_T$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_R^{NLO}(p_T) &= \exp \left[ - \int d\Phi r \frac{R(v, r)}{B(v)} \Theta(k_T(v, r) - p_T) \right] \\ &= \exp \left[ - \int dx dy \frac{2\alpha_s}{3\pi} \frac{x^2 + y^2}{(1-x)(1-y)} \Theta(k_T(x, y) - p_T) \right] . \end{aligned}$$

# Nason–Method in Herwig++

Phase space for first emission populated smoothly.



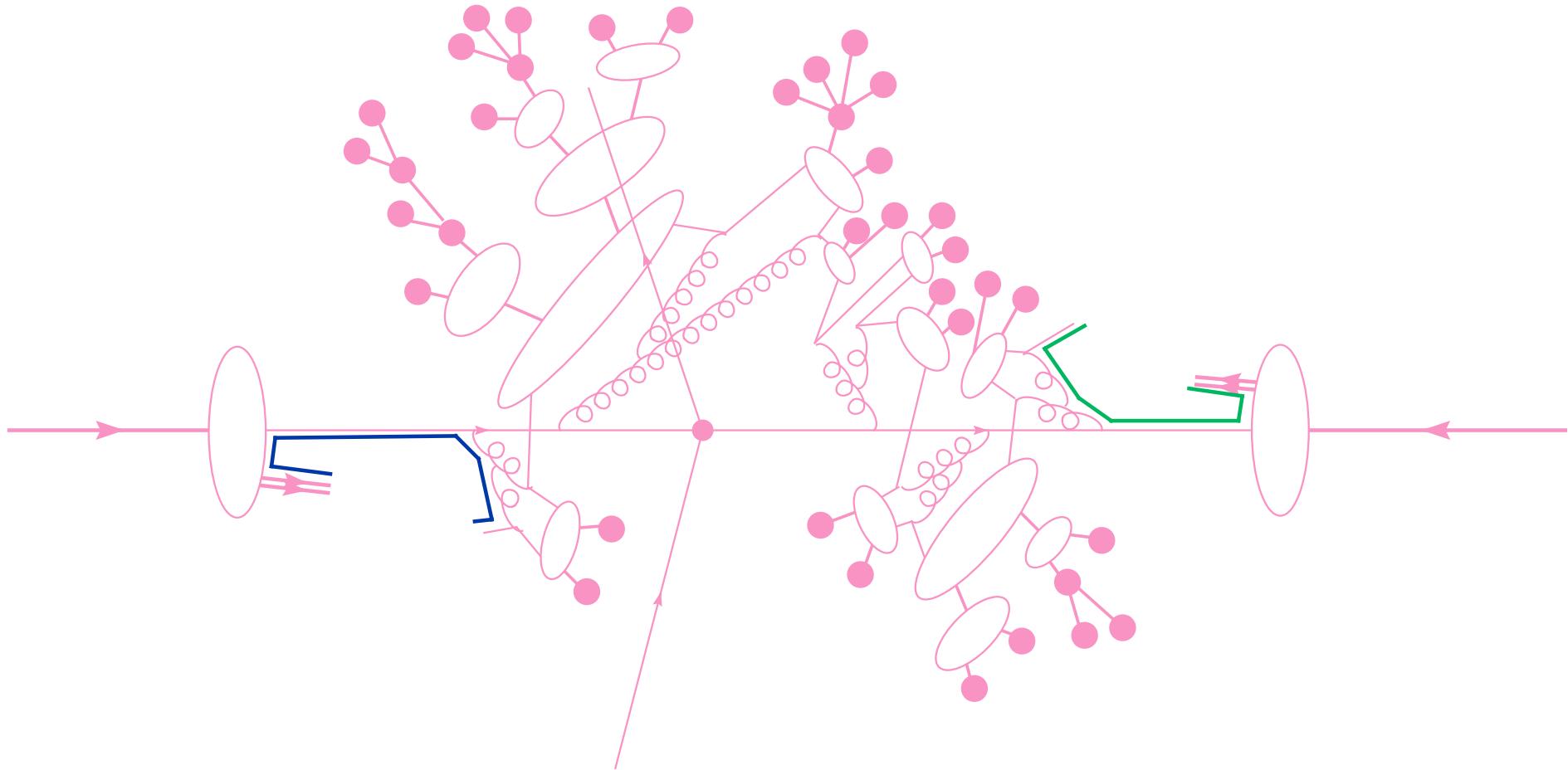
Many observables for  $e^+e^-$  annihilation studied. Better agreement in hard emission region.

Most striking improvement for  $C$ -Parameter:

$$\chi^2(\text{Nason})/\text{bin} : \chi^2(\text{ME correction})/\text{bin} \approx 0.1 .$$

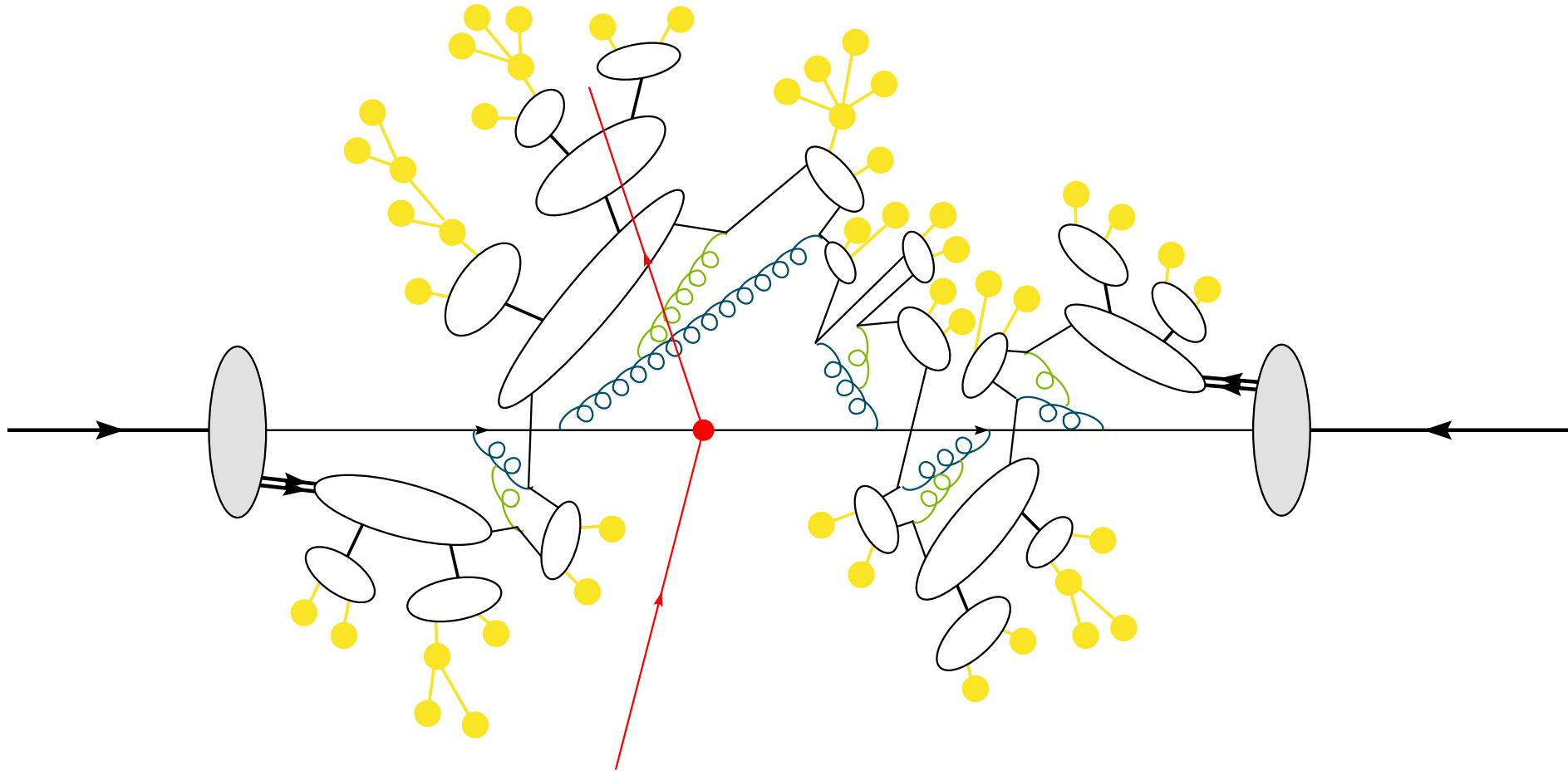
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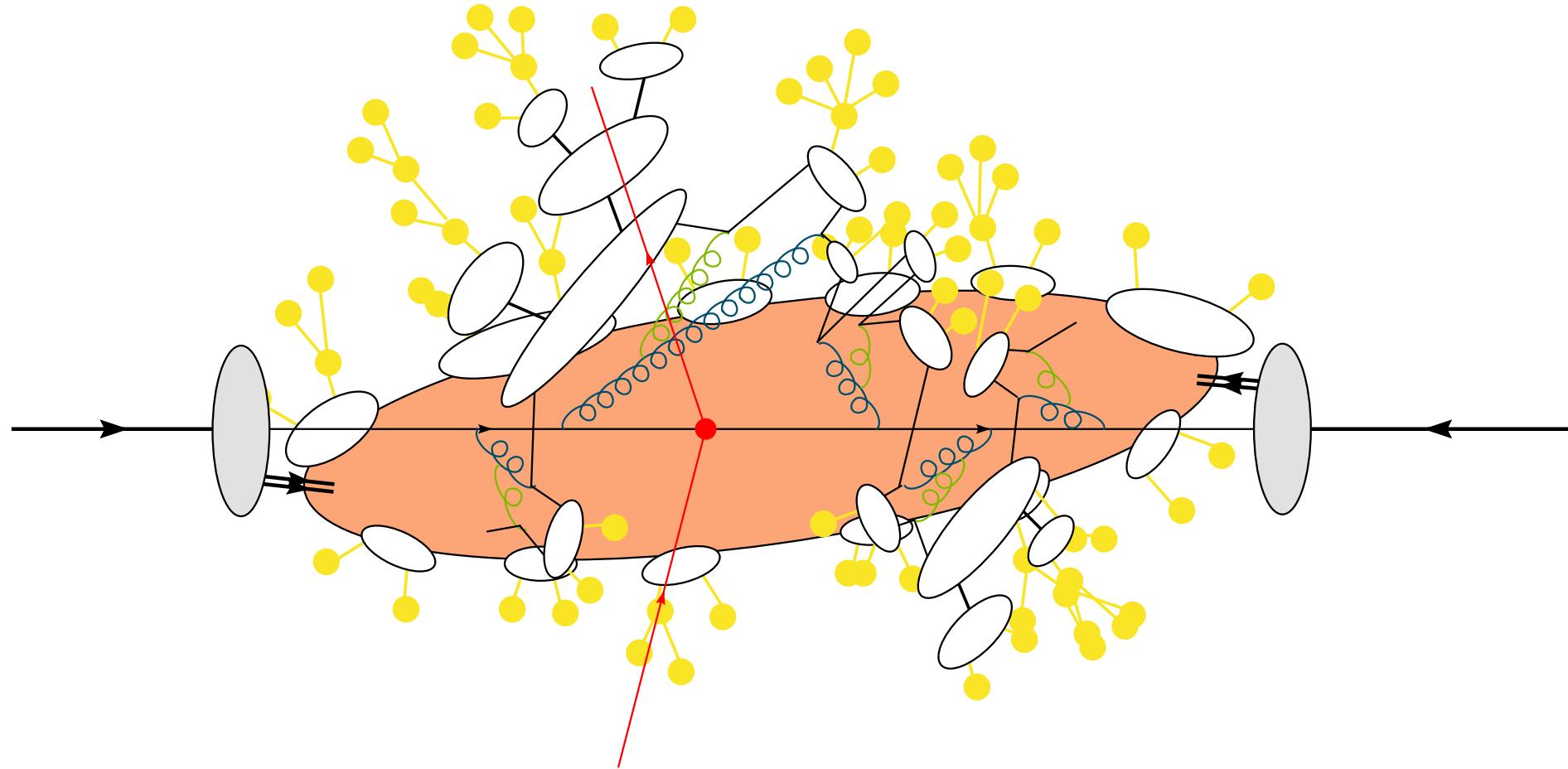
What about the remnants?

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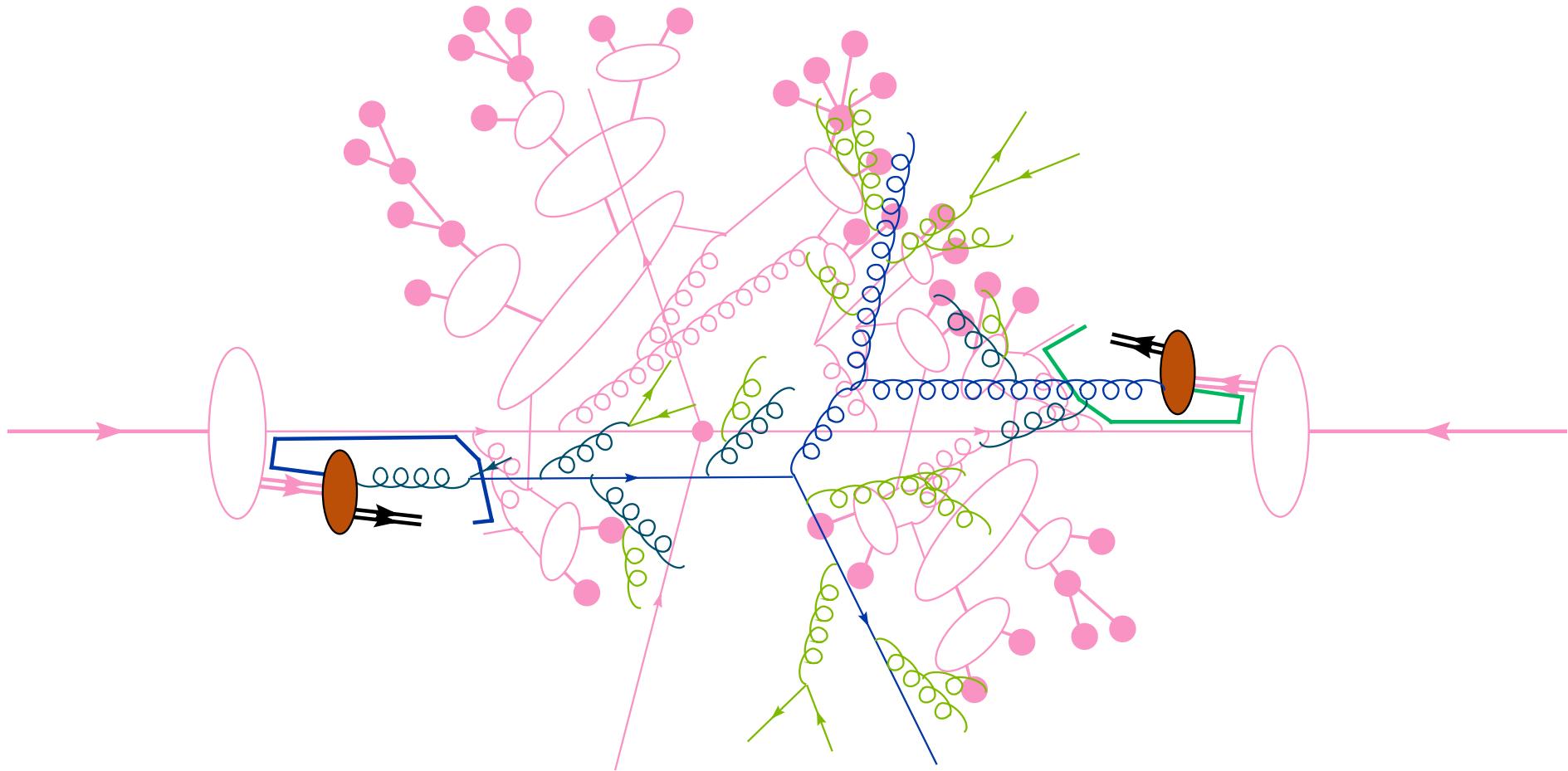
Too naive! Too little hadronic activity away from jets.

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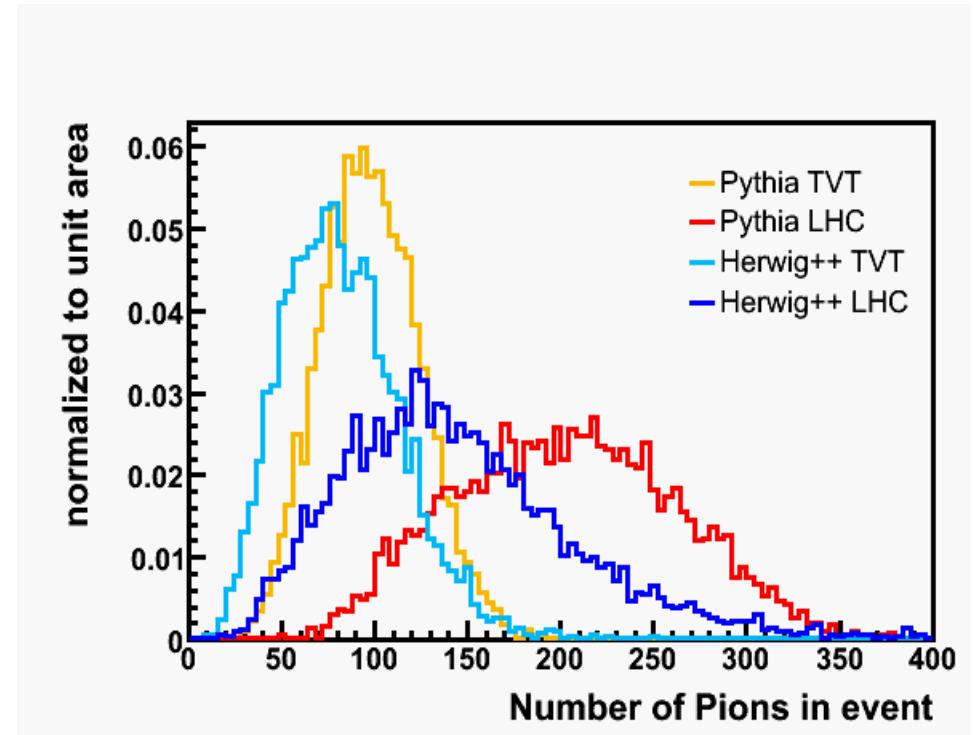
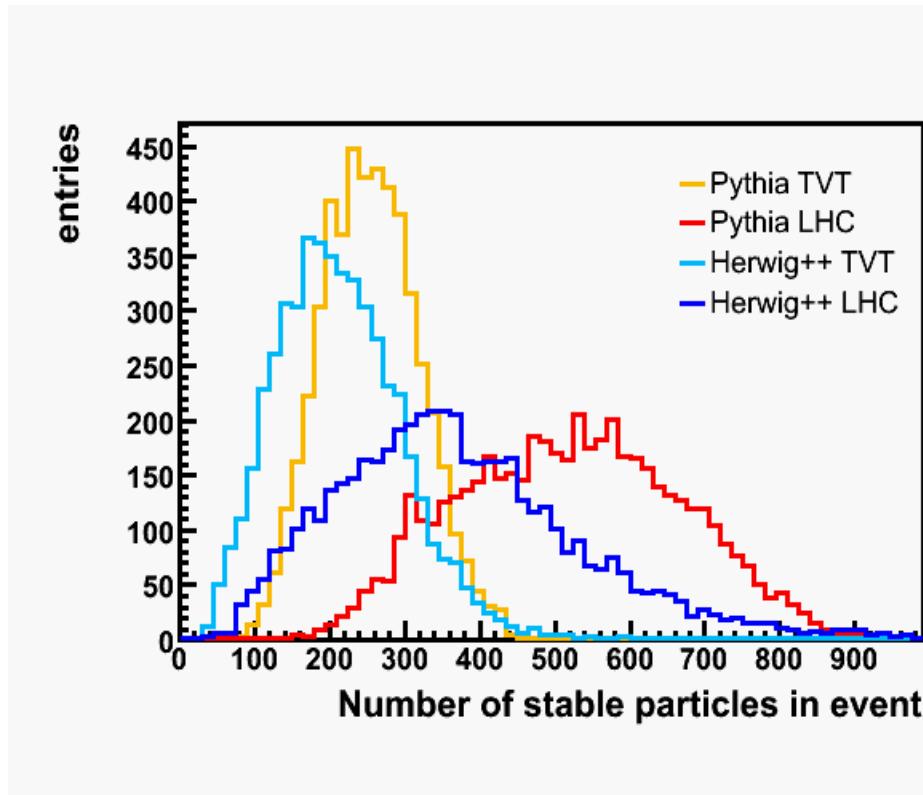
Parametrize the blob: That's the 'UA5 model'. No predictive power.

## $pp$ Event Generator



Extra hard interaction with full parton showers . . .

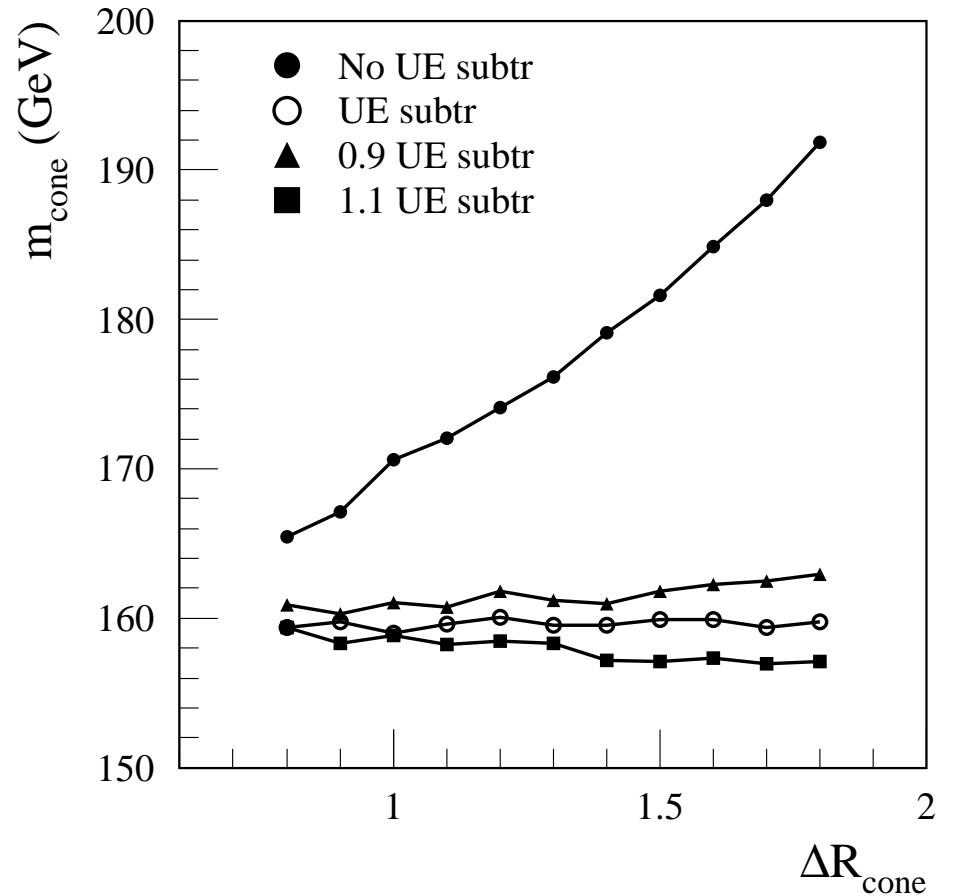
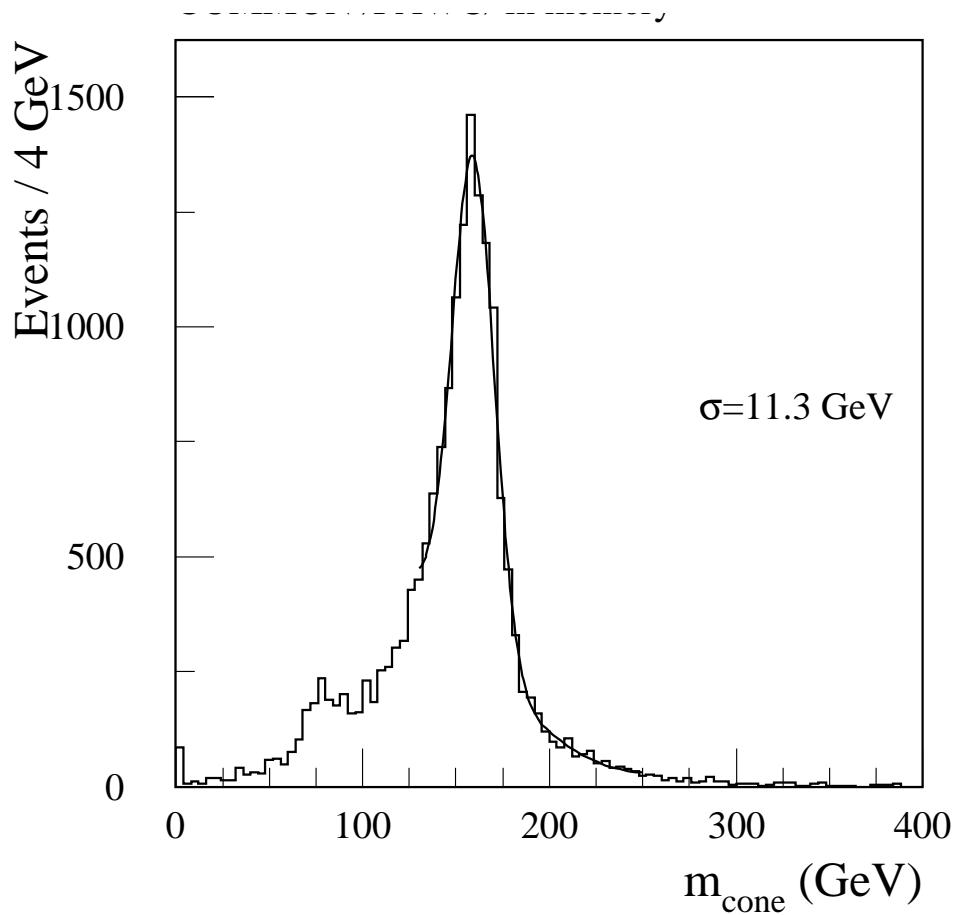
## Significance of untuned UE



Multiplicities not energy dependent in UA5 model!

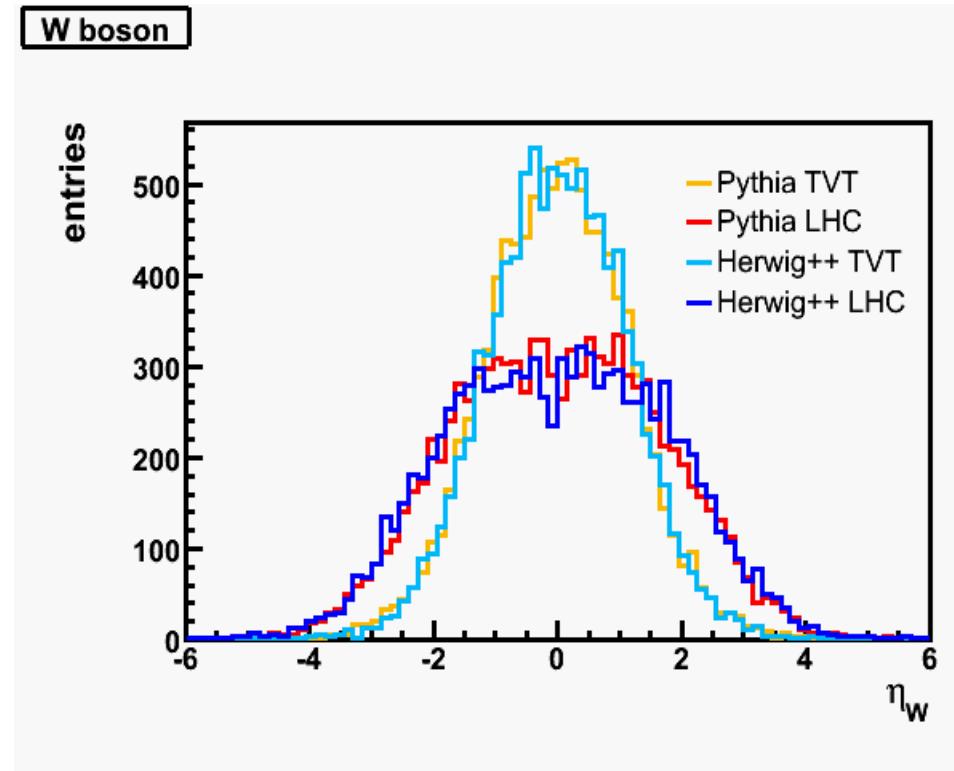
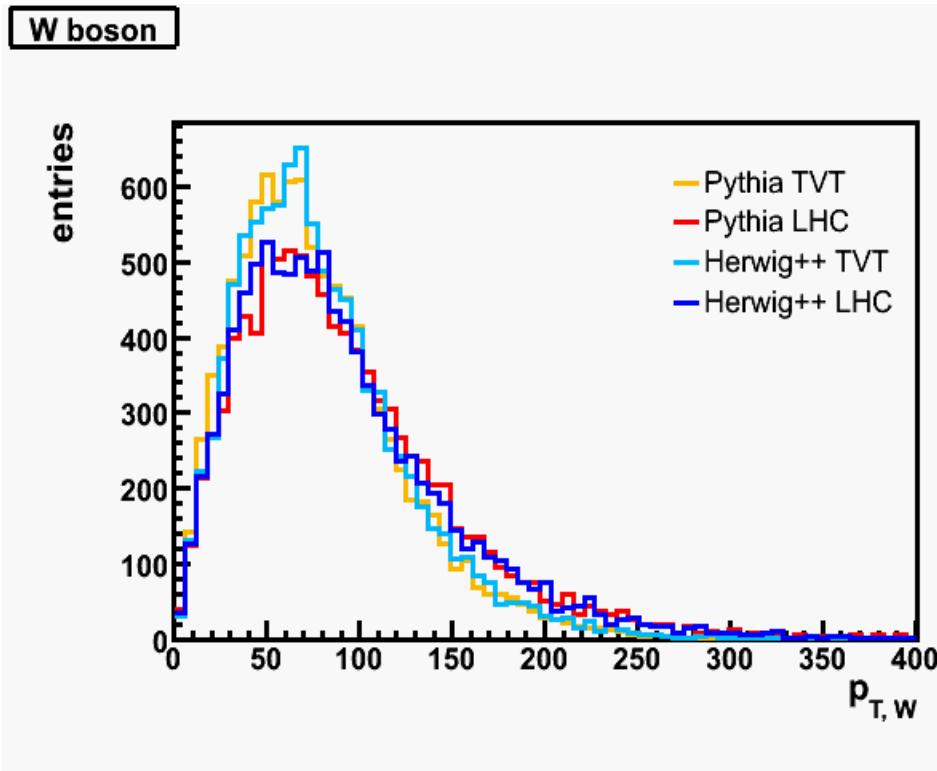
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## Significance for $t$ mass in hadronic channel



Heavily relies upon UE subtraction.

## Contrary for perturbative observables



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# News, Wiki, downloads. . .

<http://heforge.cedar.ac.uk/herwig/>

The screenshot shows a Mozilla Firefox browser window with the title bar "ThePEG / Herwig++ - Mozilla Firefox". The address bar contains the URL "http://heforge.cedar.ac.uk/herwig/". The page content is titled "The Herwig++ Event Generator". It features a "Overview" section with a paragraph about Herwig++ being a new event generator based on ThePEG and CLHEP. Below this is a "Download" section for the "Herwig++ 2.0 beta" release, which includes links to a release note and an installation guide. A "Source code access" section links to an SVN repository. At the bottom, a note says "For more up-to-date information, user guides and code snapshots, see the ThePEG/Herwig++ Wiki." The browser's status bar at the bottom left shows "Done".

Current version is 2.0.1.

- Need CLHEP and ThePEG.
- Builds with autotools.
- `./configure, make, make install.`
- Successfully built with gcc's from 3.2.x to 4.1.1.
- Also on OS X.

## Summary

- Some useful hard processes available. All the rest as well via LH interface.
- New parton shower working in IS, FS,  $t$ -decays, (SUSY particles).
- ME corrections in  $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}g$ , DY,  $t$ -decay.
- ME+PS matching a la CKKW for  $e^+e^- \rightarrow$  jets.
- MC@NLO type matching for  $e^+e^- \rightarrow$  jets.
- $pp$  simulations now possible in Herwig++. Many new features wrt old HERWIG.
- Hadronization ready.
- Much improved hadronic decayers.
- Spin correlations.
- Photon radiation in decays.
- First BSM (mostly MSSM) physics included.
- UA5 model for (simple) Underlying Event simulation.

## Near Future of Herwig++

- ME+PS matching for hadronic interactions.
- NLO matching(s).
- More sophisticated Underlying event simulation.
- More BSM physics.
- More validation: Tevatron data (HERA photoproduction data?).

## Conclusion for this workshop

- Herwig++ is ready for basic physics.
- Higher order matchings are being improved.
- UA5 model for (simple) Underlying Event simulation.
- Much more in the pipeline:
  - better hadronic decays (*b*-tagging!)
  - new UE model
  - spin correlations (parton and hadron level!)
  - . . .
- New users most welcome!