

# Charm Fragmentation Function

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# Introduction

- ▶ **QCD** - predictions usually based on perturbative calculations  
==> at long distances not applicable
- ▶ **Factorization theorem:** allows to separate process into **short distance part** (perturbative) associated with large momentum transfer and **long distance part** (non-perturbative, but universal)
- ▶ **Production cross-section for inclusive process  $ep \rightarrow H+X$ :**

$$\sigma_H = \sum_i \sum_k f_{i/p}(x, \mu_f) \otimes \hat{\sigma}_{i\gamma \rightarrow kX}(\alpha_s(\mu_r), \mu_r, \mu_f) \otimes D_k^H(z, \mu_f)$$

  
**Parton Density  
Function**

  
**Hard Scattering  
(perturbative)**

  
**Fragmentation  
Function**

# Fragmentation Function

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- **Fragmentation Function (FF):** provides information about the energy fraction  $z$  transferred from parent quark to the created hadron

$$z = (E + P_L)_{D^*} / (E + P)_c$$

- **Phenomenological models:** Lund string (PYTHIA MC), cluster (HERWIG MC)
- **Phenomenological parametrizations:** Peterson, Kartvelishvili, Bowler with a tunable parameters
- **charm FF already precisely measured in  $e^+e^-$  ==> with ep data we can check if universality holds (i.e. if they are portable from  $e^+e^-$  to ep and pp collisions)**

# Choice of Fragmentation Observable

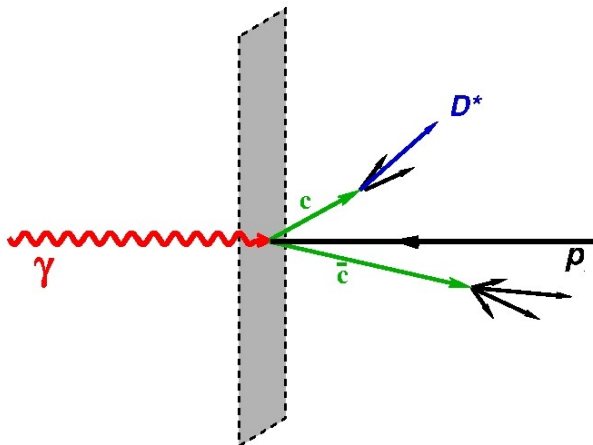
- Fragmentation functions cannot be measured directly, since only hadrons are observed !

## Jet method:

- momentum of  $c$ -quark approximated by momentum of rec.  $D^*$ -jet

$$z_{\text{jet}} = \frac{(E+p_L)_{D^*}}{(E+p)_{\text{jet}}}$$

- $k_{\perp}$ -clus jet algorithm applied in  $\gamma p$ -frame ( $E_t(D^* \text{ jet}) > 3 \text{ GeV}$ )

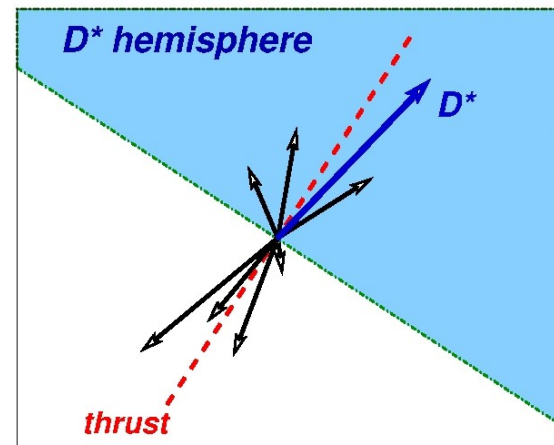


## Hemisphere method:

- momentum of  $c$ -quark approximated by momentum of rec.  $D^*$ -hemisphere

$$z_{\text{hem}} = \frac{(E+p_L)_{D^*}}{\sum_{\text{hem}} (E+p)_i}$$

- $\eta(\text{part}) > 0$  for  $p$ -remnant suppression
- thrust axis in plane perpendicular to  $\gamma$  used for hemisphere division



# D\* Selection

## Cuts:

### ► DIS cuts:

$$2 < Q^2 < 100 \text{ GeV}^2$$

$$0.05 < y_e < 0.7$$

$$40 < E - p_z < 75 \text{ GeV}$$

$$|z_{\text{vtx}}| < 35 \text{ cm}$$

### ► D\* cuts:

$$|\eta(D^*)| < 1.5$$

$$1.5 < p_t(D^*) < 15 \text{ GeV}$$

$$p_t(K, \pi) > 0.25 \text{ GeV}$$

$$p_t(\pi_s) > 0.12 \text{ GeV}$$

$$p_t(K) + p_t(\pi) > 2 \text{ GeV}$$

$$|M(K, \pi) - M(D^0)| < 70 \text{ MeV}$$

particle identification via dE/dx

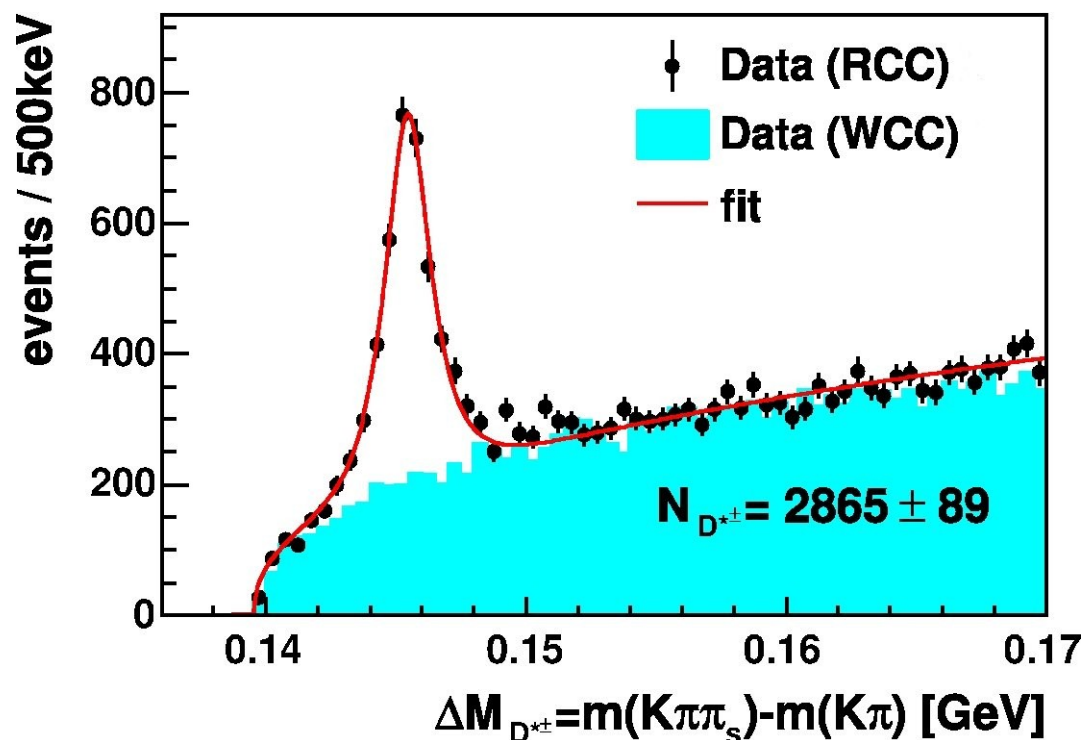
**Golden channel:**  $D^* \rightarrow D^0 \pi_s \rightarrow K \pi \pi_s$

1999+2000 data: Luminosity  $\approx 47 \text{ pb}^{-1}$

full sample  $N(D^*) \approx 2900$ ,

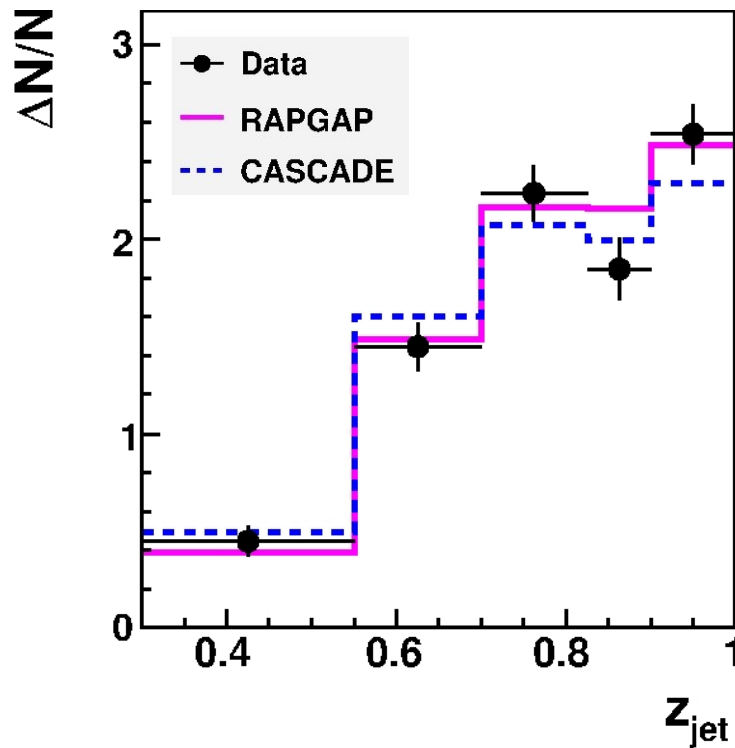
for  $E_+(D^* \text{jet}) > 3 \text{ GeV}$   $N(D^*) \approx 1500$

Fit: Mod. Gauss + bg. function

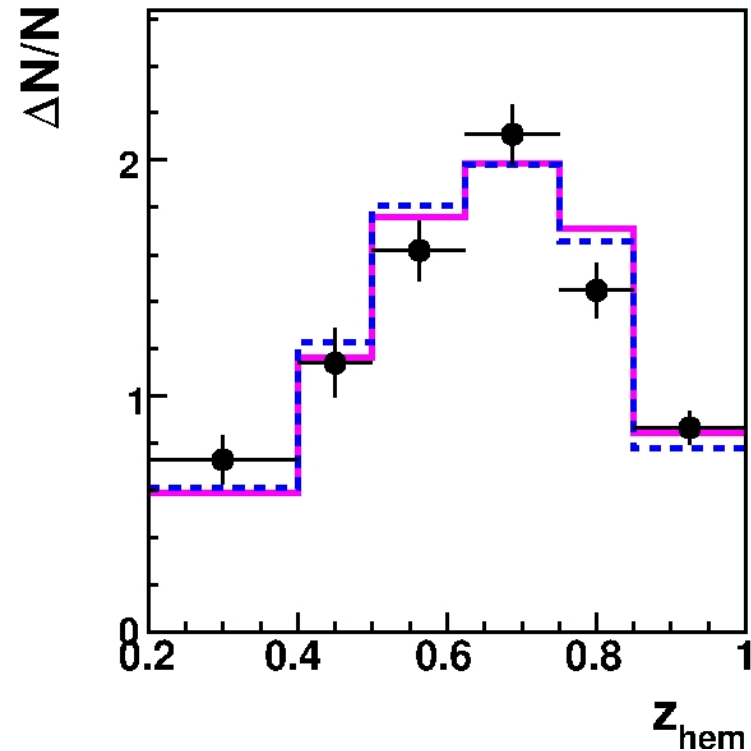


# Observables at Detector Level

Jet method



Hemisphere method



- ▶ differences between observables in the last  $z$  bin due to significant fraction of  $D^*$  jets consisting of a  $D^*$  meson only

# Correction Procedure

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## ► Subtraction of beauty component

- done at detector level, using bb RAPGAP MC prediction (fraction below 2%)

## ► Correcting for detector effects

- regularized unfolding procedure applied, migrations from one bin into another taken into account by detector response matrix (essential for correct statistical error propagation in case of low purities)

## ► QED radiative corrections

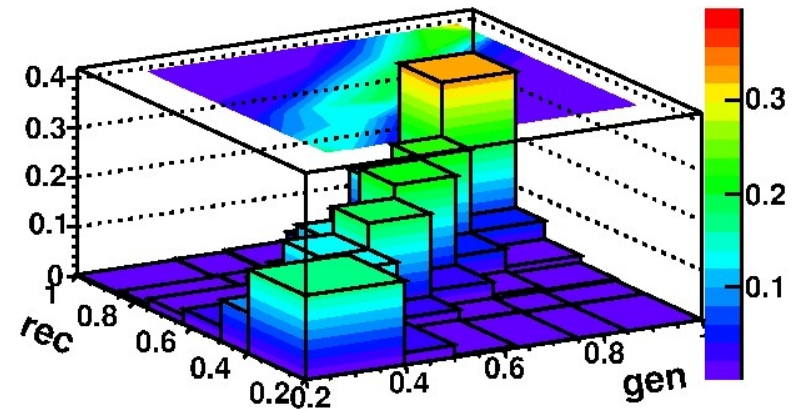
- calculated by RAPGAP/HERACLES

# SVD Unfolding $z_{\text{hem}}$

Detector response matrix

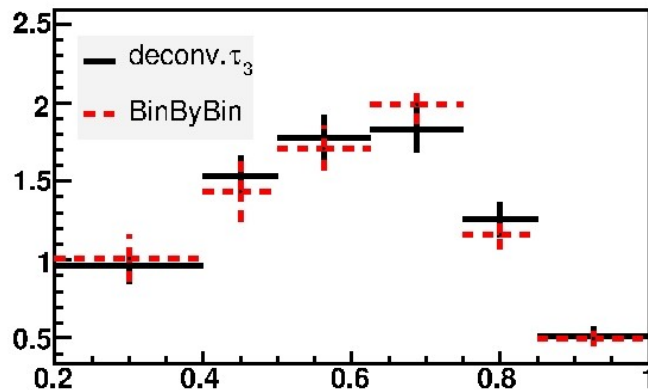


response matrix

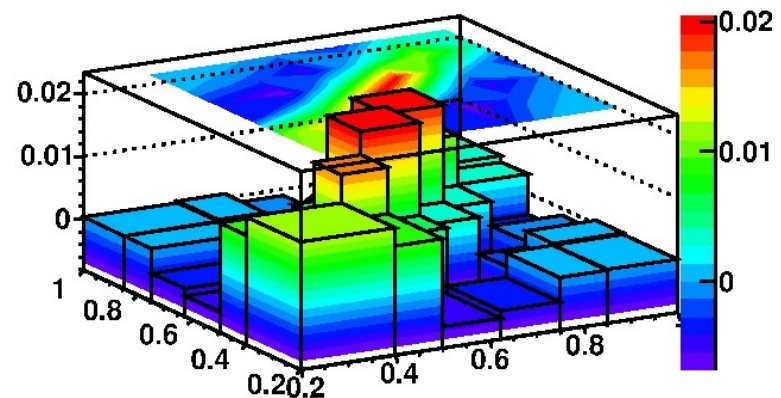


Unfolded  $z_{\text{hem}}$  distribution,  
 $D^*$ jet sample (statistical errors only):

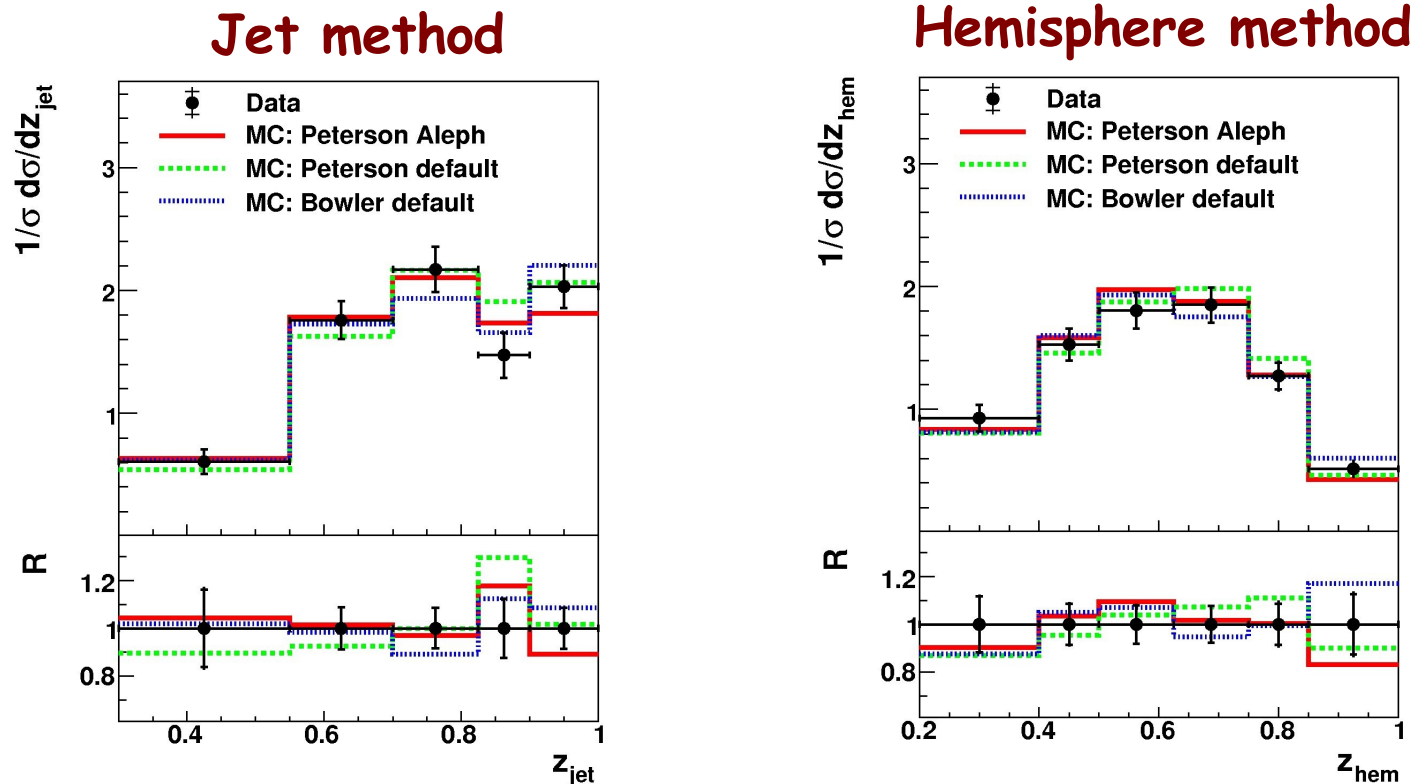
$z_{\text{hem}}$  jet Deconvol Data  $\tau = 2596$



error covariance matrix  $\tau = 2596$



# Hadron Level Corrected Frag. Obs.



- ▶ observables compared with different MC fragmentation tunes
  - ▶ **Default** = Rapgap out of the box, no higher resonances present ( $c \rightarrow D^*$ )
  - ▶ **Aleph tune**, contains ~ 27% of higher resonances ( $c \rightarrow D^*$  and  $c \rightarrow D^{**} \rightarrow D^*$ )
- ▶ good description of both observables

# Averaged Systematic Errors (summary)

|                | Z <sub>hem</sub> [%] | Z <sub>jet</sub> [%] |
|----------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| E <sub>e</sub> | 0.8                  | 0.5                  |
| Theta_e        | 0.1                  | 0.1                  |
| dE/dx          | 0.1                  | 0.3                  |
| D*signal extr. | 17                   | 17                   |
| Energy scale   | 3                    | 25                   |
| Trk. Scale     | 0.2                  | 0.2                  |
| Trk eff.       | 0.1                  | 0.1                  |
| Beauty         | 12                   | 0.9                  |
| Model          | 0.1                  | 0.3                  |
| Tot. sys. err. | 38                   | 34                   |
| Stat err.      | 10                   | 10.9                 |

< -- Statistical error  
dominant!

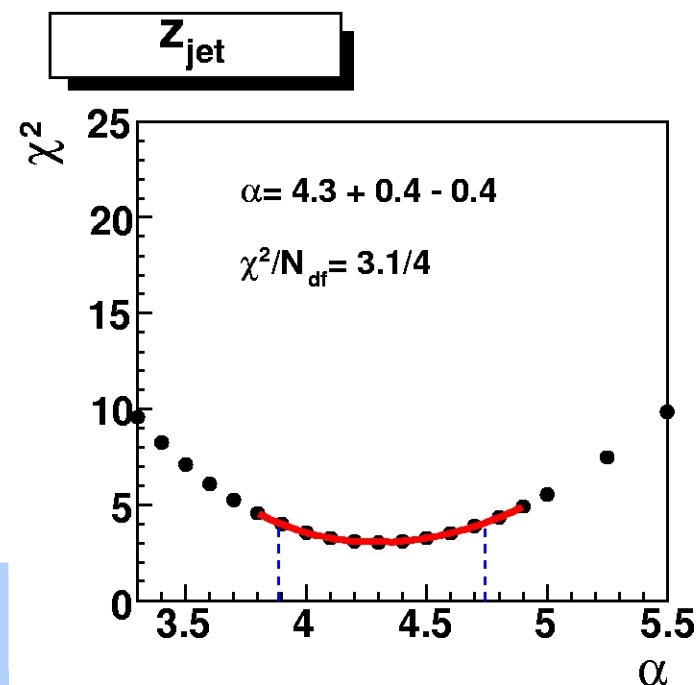
- Sys. errors due to uncertainty of energy scale, electron energy and beauty fraction are **correlated** in z bins

# FF Extraction Procedure

Non-pert. Frag. function defined only within given theoretical model:

- ▶ **LO+PS Monte Carlo models** **RAPGAP** and **CASCADE** with Lund string fragmentation model (default setting, Aleph setting)
- ▶ **NLO calculations** (HVQDIS)
- ▶ **Fitted parametrizations of non-pert. FF:** Kartvelishvili, Peterson
- ▶ **optimal parameters and confidence limits obtained from chi2**  
(correlated statistical and sys. errors taken into account)

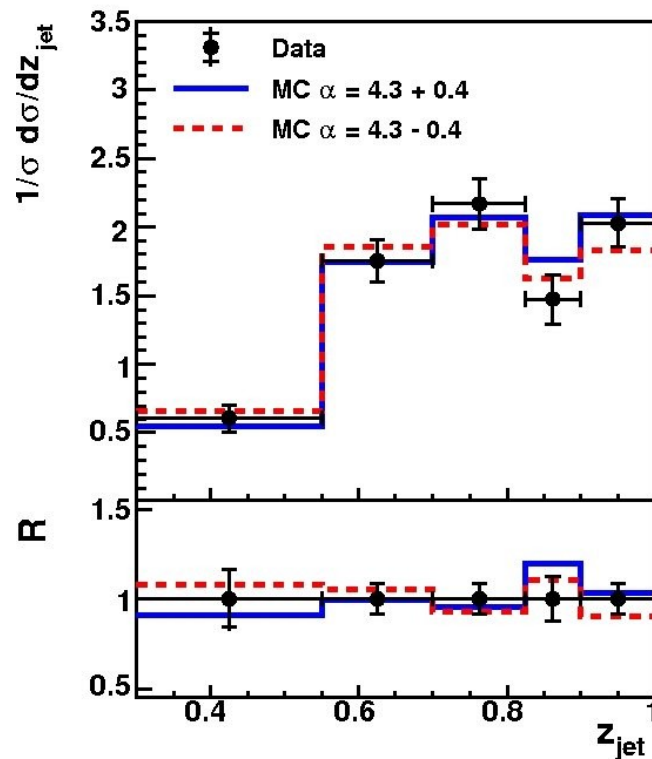
$$\chi^2(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) = (\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{z}^{\text{MC}}(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}))^T \mathbf{V}^{-1} (\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{z}^{\text{MC}}(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}))$$



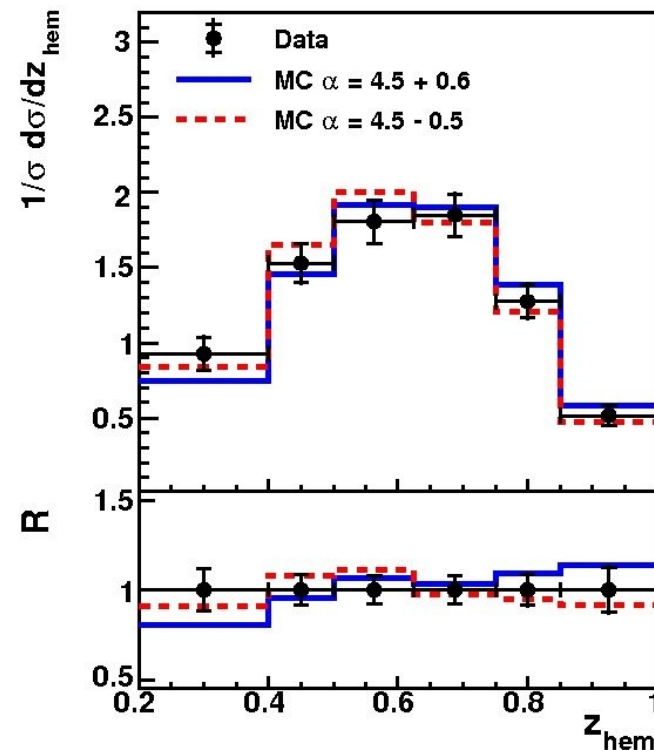
# Extracted FF Plots - MC

Rapgap with Aleph setting & Kartvelishvili parametrization:

Jet method



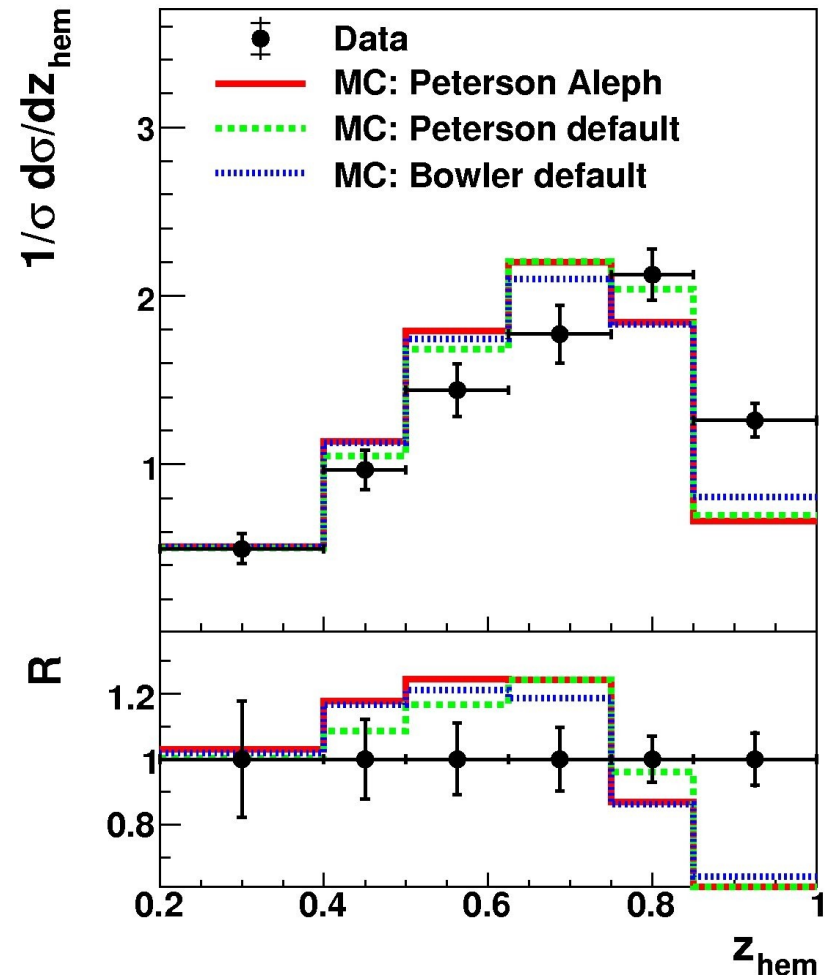
Hemisphere method



► both methods agree well within errors!

# Investigating the Threshold Region

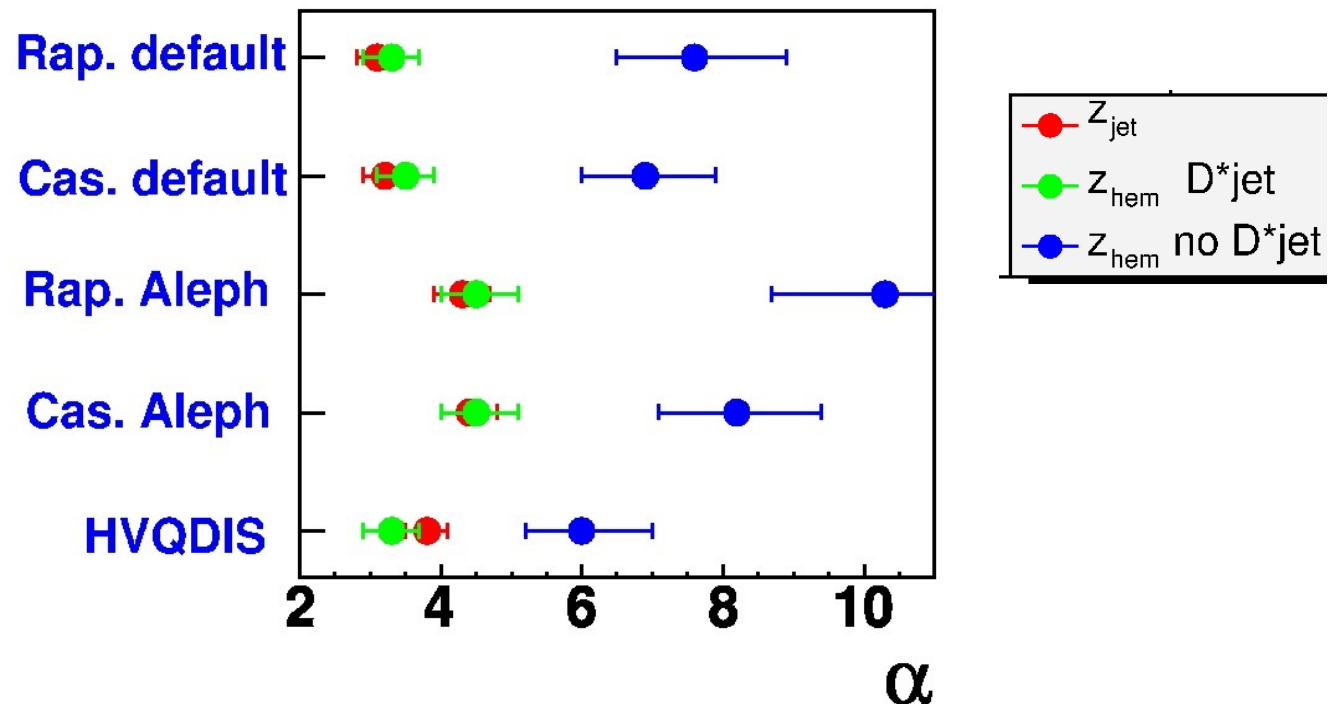
- ▶ events not fulfilling hard scale cut  $E_t(D^*\text{jet}) > 3\text{GeV}$ , roughly 1300  $D^*$  events  
==> inclusion would improve the statistical errors
- ▶ data spectrum much harder, data events have different topology than MC
- ▶ extracted FF roughly  $4\sigma$  far from the FF extracted from the nominal sample
- ▶ discrepancy due to improper description of underlying physics close to the charm production threshold in MC models



# $\alpha$ Fit Results (Summary)

Rapgap MC

Aleph tune, Kartvelishvili parametrization:



- Qualitatively similar picture obtained also with Peterson parametrization

# Universality Issues (Comparison with $e^+e^-$ )

## ► Direct comparison of measured data impossible because:

► 1.) different observable definitions used :  $z_{e^+e^-} = E_{D^*}/E_{\text{beam}}$  ,

$$z_{e^+e^-} = P_{D^*}/P_{\text{max}} , \quad z_{\text{jet}} = (E+P_L)_{D^*}/(E+P)_{\text{jet}} , \quad z_{\text{hem}} = (E+P_L)_{D^*}/(E+P)_{\text{hem}}$$

► 2.) measurements performed in different phase space:

ALEPH, OPAL  $\sqrt{s}=91.2\text{GeV}$

CLEO, BELLE  $\sqrt{s}=10.6\text{GeV}$

H1  $\sqrt{\langle s \rangle}=10\text{GeV}$

## ► Comparison of extracted FF parameters relevant, but one needs to keep a track of what

► 1.) perturbative calculation have been used

► 2.) which MC fragmentation parameter tune have been used

# Peterson Fits with Aleph PYTHIA Tune

(work done by our summer student Thomas Lubbert)

- ▶ PYTHIA/RAPGAP MC with most recent ALEPH parameter tune used
- ▶ Peterson FF parameter fits performed with BELLE, ALEPH and this ep data

|         | ALEPH           | BELLE           | zjet            | zhem            |
|---------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| epsilon | 0.042 +/- 0.013 | 0.032 +/- 0.004 | 0.035 +/- 0.007 | 0.029 +/- 0.007 |

**Within errors rather consistent picture obtained!**