

# Introduction to Sherpa

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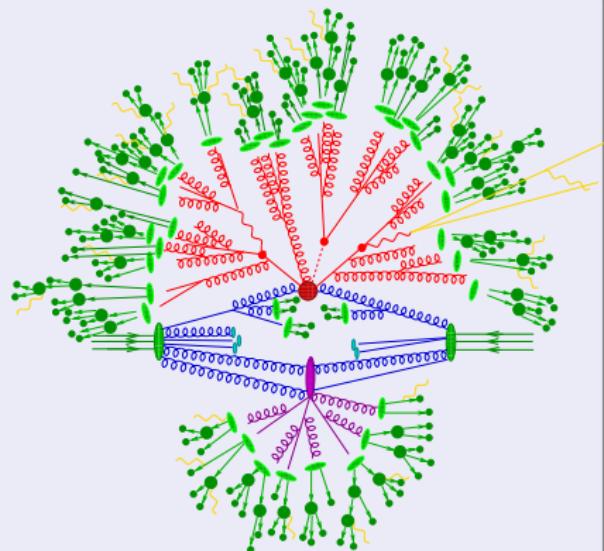
# Simulation's paradigm

## Basic strategy

Divide event into stages,  
separated by different scales.

- **Signal/background:**  
Exact matrix elements.
- **QCD-Bremsstrahlung:**  
Parton showers (also in [initial state](#)).
- **Multiple interactions:**  
Beyond factorization: Modeling.
- **Hadronization:**  
Non-perturbative QCD: Modeling.

## Sketch of an event



# Introducing 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++.
- Fully automated matrix element generation,
- Parton shower implementation (similar to PYTHIA),  
new improved parton shower formulations in preparation,
- Unique feature: **Multijet ME+PS merging**,
- Cluster hadronization model (still to be tuned to data),  
also interface to string fragmentation of Pythia,
- Hadron and tau decays,
- Underlying event according to old Pythia model,  
new model based on BFKL evolution to be released.

# Automated cross section calculation AMEGIC++

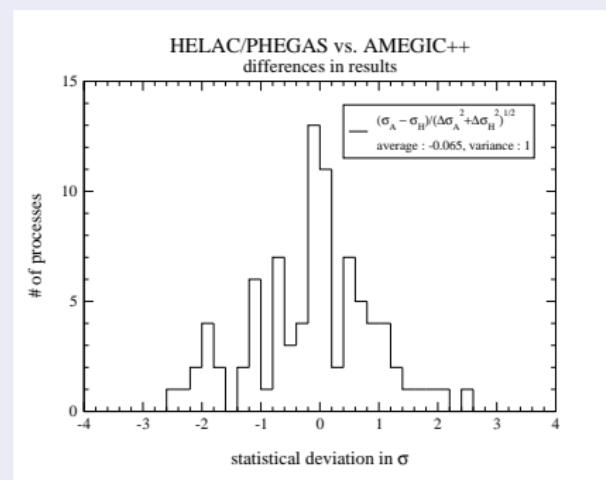
F.K., R.Kuhn, G.Soff, JHEP 0202 (2002) 044.

- Uses helicity/recursion methods;
- Helicity method supplemented with “factoring out”  
(taming the factorial growth)
- Phase space integration through multi-channeling  
(i.e. one phasespace mapping/Feynman diagram)
- Implemented & tested models: SM, SM+AGC, THDM,  
MSSM, ADD.
- Tested in  $> 1000$  SM &  $> 500$  MSSM channels.
- Still under development  
(towards higher multis, more models, ... )

# 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



# Implementing CSW recursion relations: A snapshot

F.Cachazo, P.Svrcek and E.Witten, JHEP 0409 (2004) 006

- Obtained **summing** over colours and helicities,  
**sampling** much better

Jet cross sections @ LHC,  $k_{\perp}^{\min} = 20 \text{ GeV}$

Process	helicity	MHV where possible	MHV only ( $\leq 2$ quark lines)
$jj \rightarrow jj$	$745.85 \text{ } \mu\text{b} \pm 0.10\%$ 57 s	$745.85 \text{ } \mu\text{b} \pm 0.10\%$ 44 s	
$jj \rightarrow jjj$	$81.274 \text{ } \mu\text{b} \pm 0.20\%$ 826 s	$81.274 \text{ } \mu\text{b} \pm 0.20\%$ 166 s	
$gg \rightarrow gggg$	$10.112 \text{ } \mu\text{b} \pm 0.23\%$ 1.5 ks	$10.145 \text{ } \mu\text{b} \pm 0.23\%$ 0.6 ks	
$jj \rightarrow jjjj$	$23.23 \text{ } \mu\text{b} \pm 0.27\%$ 35 ks	$23.245 \text{ } \mu\text{b} \pm 0.26\%$ 7.6 ks	$23.208 \text{ } \mu\text{b} \pm 0.26\%$ 5.8 ks
$gg \rightarrow ggggg$	$2.6592 \text{ } \mu\text{b} \pm 0.16\%$ 131 ks	$2.6915 \text{ } \mu\text{b} \pm 0.15\%$ 41 ks	
$jj \rightarrow jjjj$	not possible	$7.3829 \text{ } \mu\text{b} \pm 0.25\%$ 970 ks	$7.3294 \text{ } \mu\text{b} \pm 0.17\%$ 295 ks

## Integration

- HAAG (colour dipoles) + multichanneling + VEGAS

HAAG: A.v.Hameren, C.Papadopoulos EPJC25 (2002) 563

- Characteristic number for event generation:  
Unweighting eff. = average/maximal value of  $d\sigma$

Unweighting efficiencies:

$gg \rightarrow ggg$	$jj \rightarrow jjj$	$gg \rightarrow gggg$	$jj \rightarrow jjjj$	$gg \rightarrow ggggg$	$jj \rightarrow jjjjj$
6.2514%	1.6213%	1.5692%	0.4944%	0.8631%	0.1908%

## Comparison with other methods

C.Duhr, S.Hoeche, F.Maltoni, JHEP 0608 (2006) 062

$2 \rightarrow n$  gluons,  $10^4$  phase space points  
colour-ordered vs. colour-dressed, Berends-Giele, BCF vs. CSW

F.A.Berends, W.T.Giele NPB306 (1988) 759  
R.Britto, F.Cachazo, B.Feng PRL94 (2005) 181602

$n$	BG, CO	BG, CD	CSW, CO	CSW, CD	BCF, CO	BCF, CD
2	0.24	0.28	0.31	0.26	0.28	0.33
4	1.2	1.04	1.63	1.75	0.84	1.32
6	14.2	7.19	27.8	30.6	11.9	59.1
8	276	82.1	919	1890	597	8690
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## From partons to hadrons

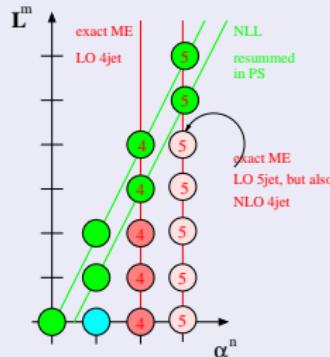
- Experimental definition of jets based on hadrons.
- But: Hadronization through phenomenological models

(need to be tuned to data).

## ME vs. PS

- MEs: hard, large-angle emissions; interferences.
- PS: soft, collinear emissions; resummation of large logarithms.
- Combine both, avoid double-counting.

## $\alpha_s$ vs. Log



# From partons to hadrons

## Parton showers

- Universal pattern of soft & collinear radiation:

$$d\sigma_{N+1} \sim d\sigma_N \sum_{a \in N} \frac{dt_a}{t_a} \alpha_s dz P_{a \rightarrow bc}(z).$$

- Introduce “resolution of partons” (e.g.  $p_\perp^{\min}$ )  
⇒ Large logarithms at each emission.
- Resummation of logs in Sudakov form factor:

$$\Delta_a(t, t_0) = \exp \left[ - \int_{t_0}^t \frac{dt'}{t'} \int_{z_-}^{z_+} dz \alpha_s P_{a \rightarrow bc}(z) \right].$$

- Interpretation: No-emission probability (→ simulation).

# Combining MEs & PS

Idea (Example:  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$ ):

- Define  $k_\perp$ -jets with  $Q_{\text{cut}}^2 = y_{\text{cut}} Q^2$ ,  $Q = E_{\text{c.m.}}$ .
- Probabilistic interpretation of Sudakov form factor:

$$\mathcal{R}_2(y_{\text{cut}}) = \Delta_q^2(Q, Q_{\text{cut}})$$

$$\mathcal{R}_3(y_{\text{cut}}) = 2\Delta_q(Q, Q_{\text{cut}})$$

$$\int_{Q_{\text{cut}}}^Q dq \frac{\Delta_q(Q, Q_{\text{cut}})}{\Delta_q(q, Q_{\text{cut}})} \Gamma_q(q, Q) \Delta_q(q, Q_{\text{cut}}) \Delta_g(q, Q_{\text{cut}})$$

- No emission off outgoing/internal lines.
- Emission at  $q$ : Integrated splitting function  $\Gamma_q(q, Q) = \frac{2C_F}{\pi} \frac{\alpha_s(q)}{q} \left[ \log \frac{Q}{q} - \frac{3}{4} \right]$
- Obvious trick: replace  $\Gamma_q$  by full matrix element.

# Combining MEs & PS: LO-Merging

S.Catani, F.K., R.Kuhn and B.R.Webber, JHEP 0111 (2001) 063

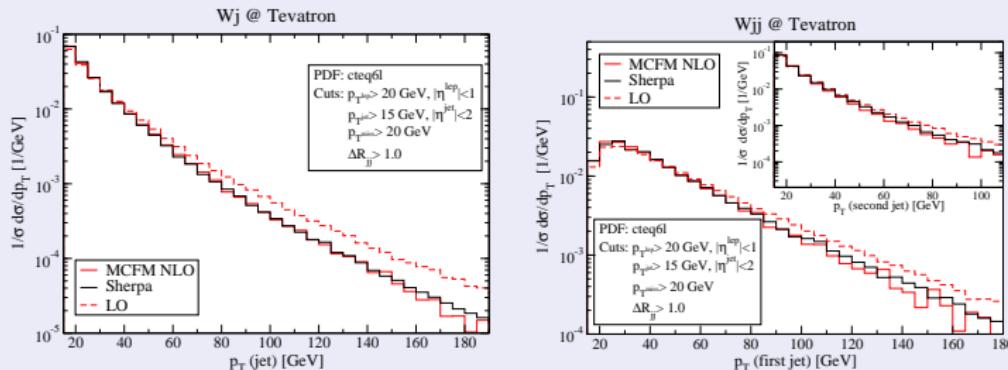
F.K., JHEP 0208 (2002) 015

- Want:
  - All jet emissions correct at tree level + LL,
  - Soft emissions correctly resummed in PS
- Method:
  - Separate Jet-production/evolution by  $Q_{\text{jet}}$  ( $k_{\perp}$  algorithm).
  - Produce jets according to LO matrix elements
  - re-weight with Sudakov form factor + running  $\alpha_s$  weights,
  - veto jet production in parton shower.
- Process-independent implementation.

# Algorithm as scale-setting prescription

Comparison with MCFM: J.Campbell and R.K.Ellis, Phys. Rev. D **65** (2002) 113007  
 in : F.K., A.Schälicke, S.Schumann and G.Soff, Phys. Rev. D **70** (2004) 114009

- Example:  $p_T$  distribution of jets @ Tevatron
- Consider exclusive  $W + 1$ - and  $W + 2$ -jet production



Sherpa = tree-level matrix elements with  $\alpha_s$  scales and Sudakov form factors.

# Combining MEs & PS: Independence on $Q_{\text{jet}}$

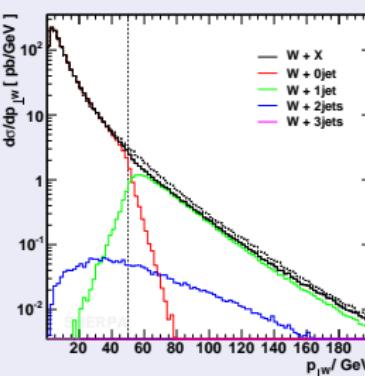
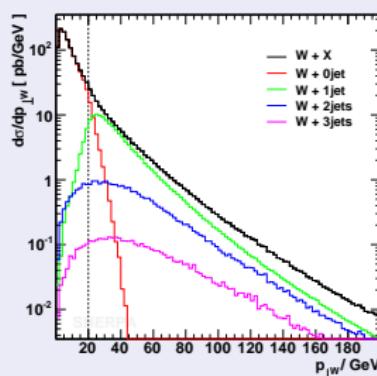
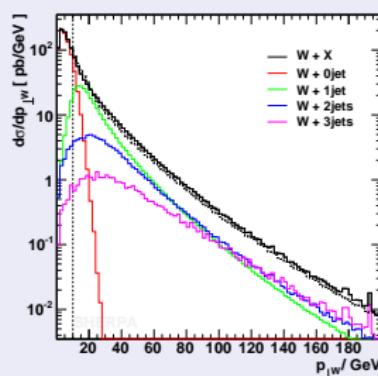
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Example:  $p_{\perp}$  of  $W$  in  $p\bar{p} \rightarrow W + X$  @ Tevatron

$$Q_{\text{jet}} = 10 \text{ GeV}$$

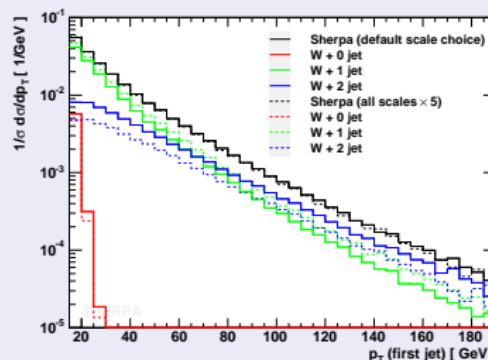
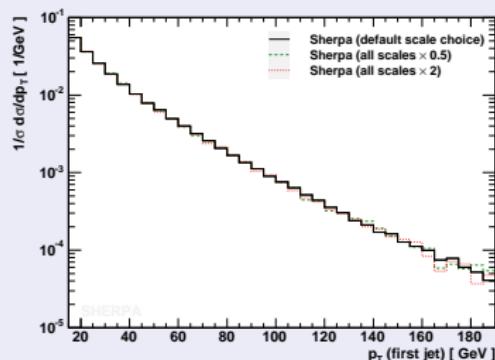
$$Q_{\text{jet}} = 30 \text{ GeV}$$

$$Q_{\text{jet}} = 50 \text{ GeV}$$



# Merging issues: Dependence on scales

$p_T$  distribution of 1st jet @ Tevatron

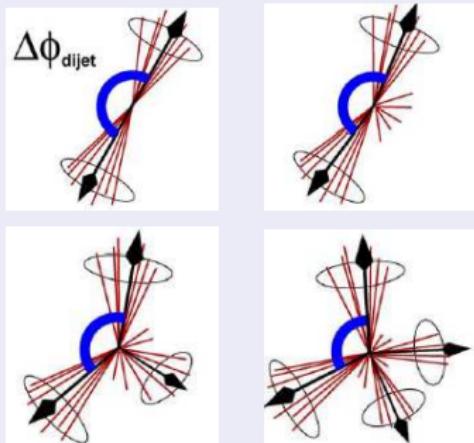


# Azimuthal decorrelations of jets at the Tevatron

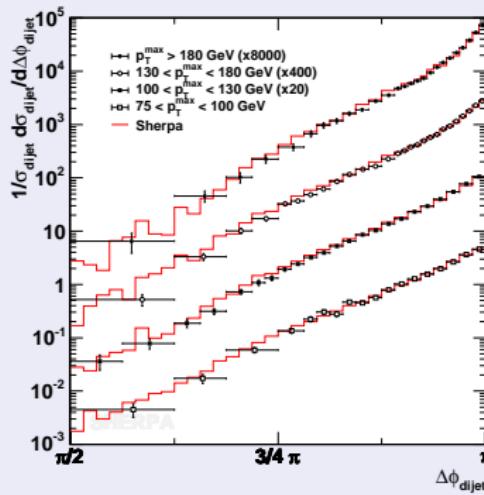
V.Abazov *et al.* [D0 Collaboration], Phys. Rev. Lett. 94 (2005) 221801

## Idea

- Check QCD radiation pattern



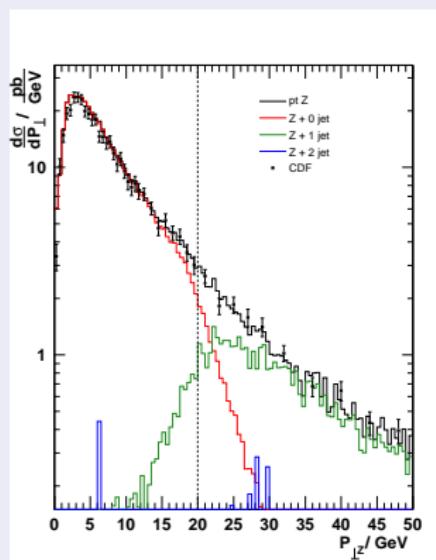
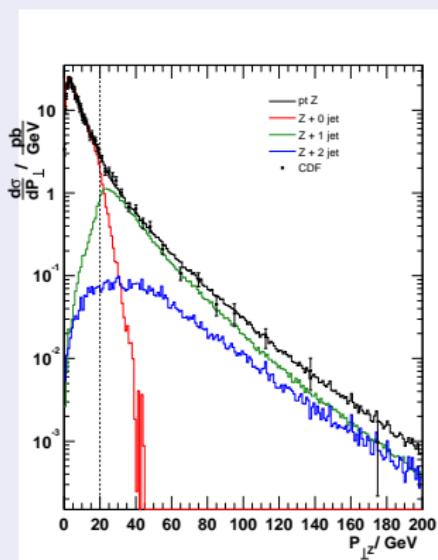
## Distributions @ Run II (D0)



# Comparison with data from Tevatron

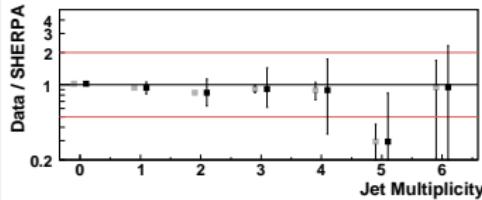
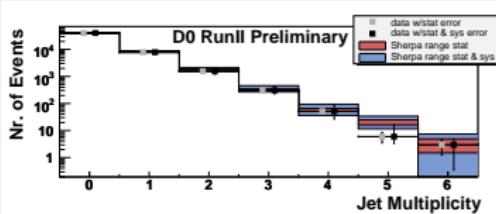
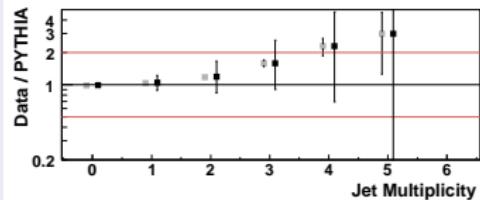
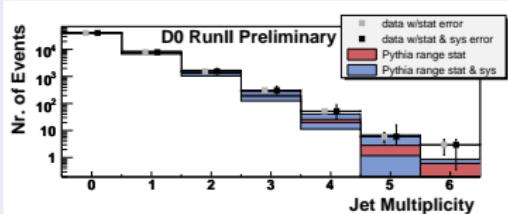
## $p_T$ of Z-bosons

A. Affolder *et al.* [CDF Collaboration], Phys. Rev. Lett. 84 (2000) 845.



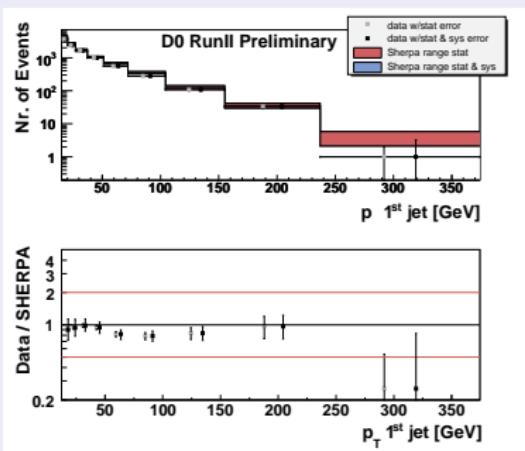
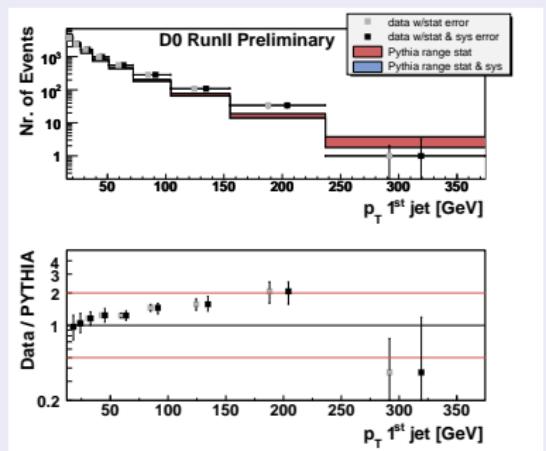
# Comparison with RunII $Z + X$ data: Jet multis

(D0-Note 5066)



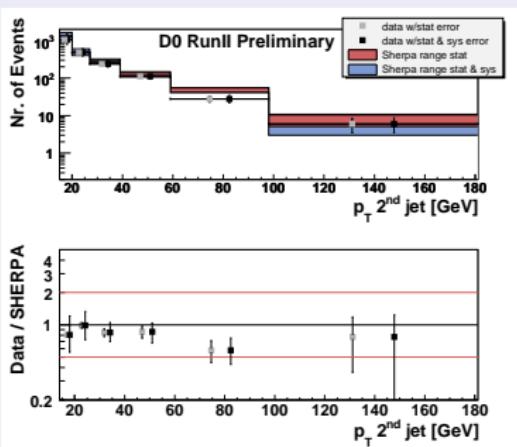
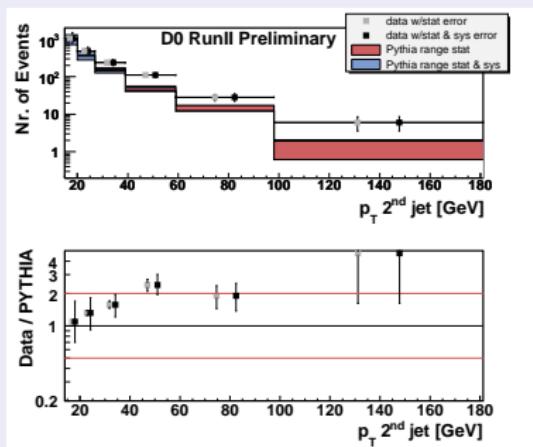
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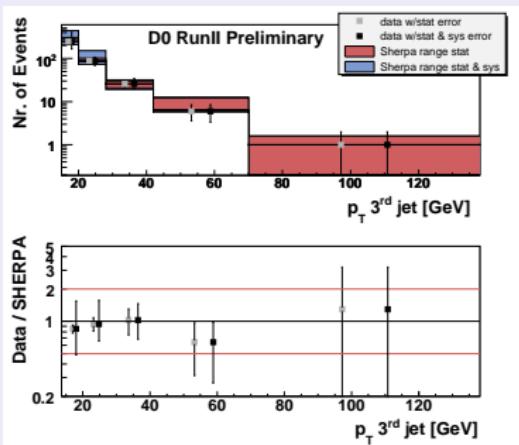
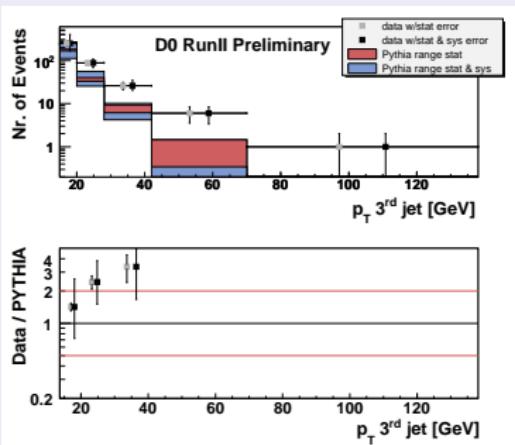
# Comparison with RunII $Z + X$ data: $p_T^{j_2}$

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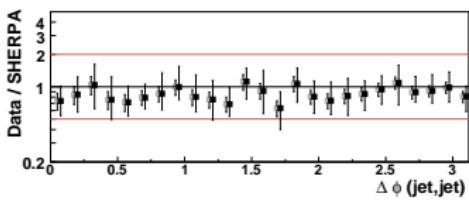
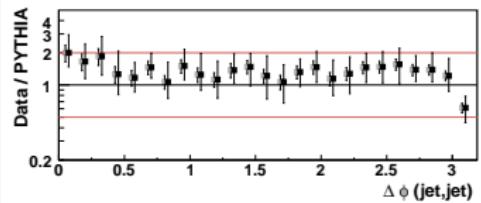
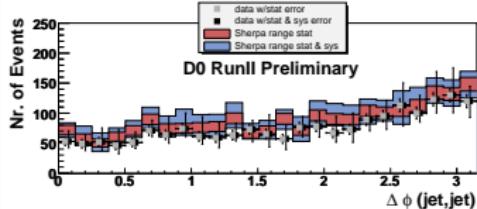
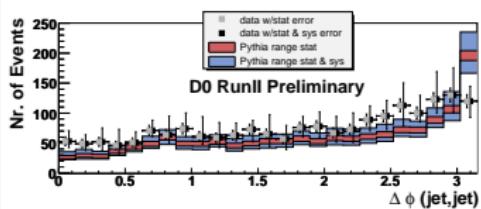
# Comparison with RunII $Z + X$ data: $p_T^{j_3}$

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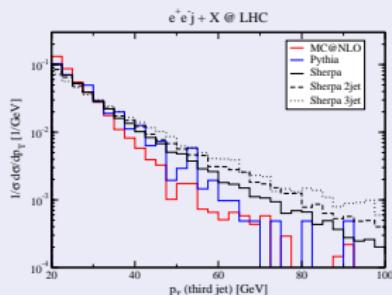
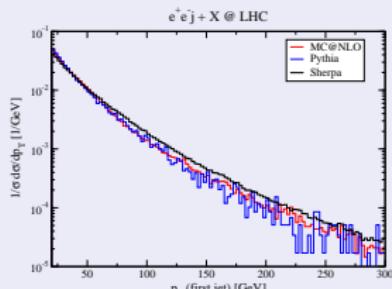
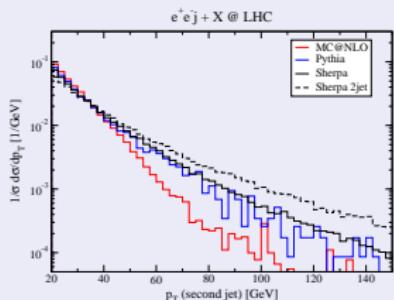
# Comparison with RunII $Z + X$ data: $\Delta\phi_{1j_1j_2}$

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# Extrapolation to LHC : $p_{\perp}$ of jets in inclusive $Z + \text{jets}$

- Influence of more jets.
- Displayed here: x-sections.
- Difference in shape & x-sec.



# Further developments of parton showers

## Shower based on Catani-Seymour splitting kernels

First discussed in: Z.Nagy and D.E.Soper, JHEP 0510 (2005) 024.

Implemented in: S.Schumann and F.K., arXiv:0709.1027 [hep-ph];

M.Dinsdale, M.Ternick and S.Weinzierl, arXiv:0709.1026 [hep-ph]

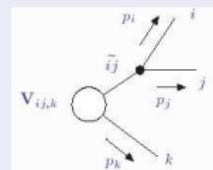
- Catani-Seymour dipole subtraction terms as universal framework for QCD NLO calculations.
- Factorization formulae for real emission process:
- Full phase space coverage & good approx. to ME.

Example: final-state final-state dipoles

splitting:  $\tilde{p}_{ij} + \tilde{p}_k \rightarrow p_i + p_j + p_k$

$$\text{variables: } y_{ij,k} = \frac{p_i p_j}{p_i p_j + p_i p_k + p_j p_k}, \quad z_i = \frac{p_i p_k}{p_i p_k + p_j p_k}$$

$$\text{consider q}_{ij} \rightarrow q_{igj}: \langle V_{q_igj,k}(\bar{z}_i, y_{ij,k}) \rangle = C_F \left\{ \frac{2}{1 - \bar{z}_i + \bar{z}_i y_{ij,k}} - (1 + \bar{z}_i) \right\}$$

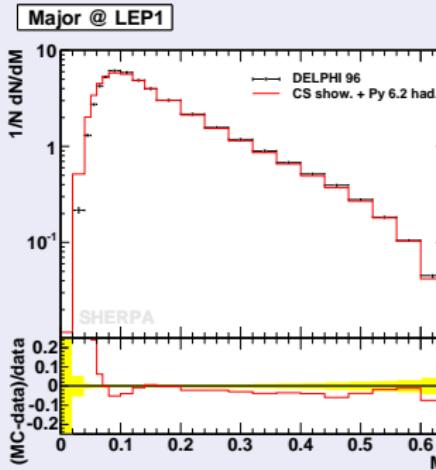
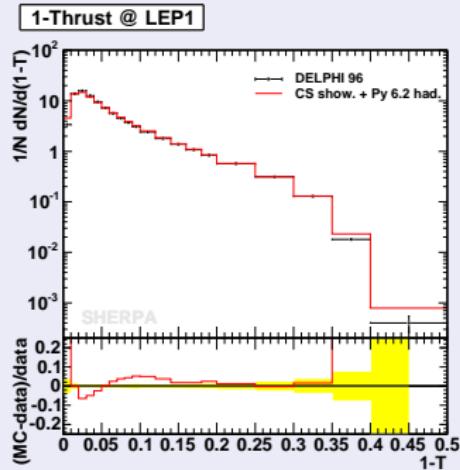


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Results for  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$

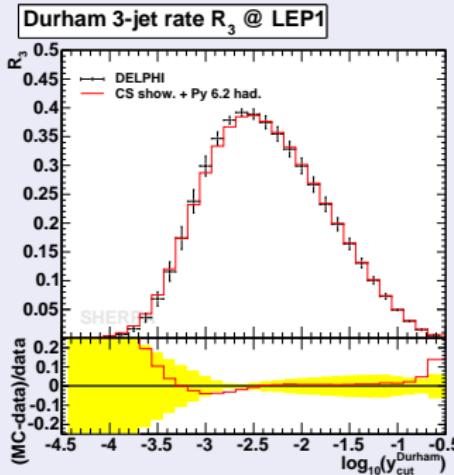
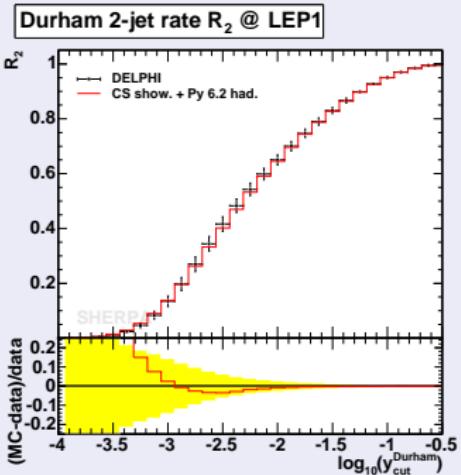


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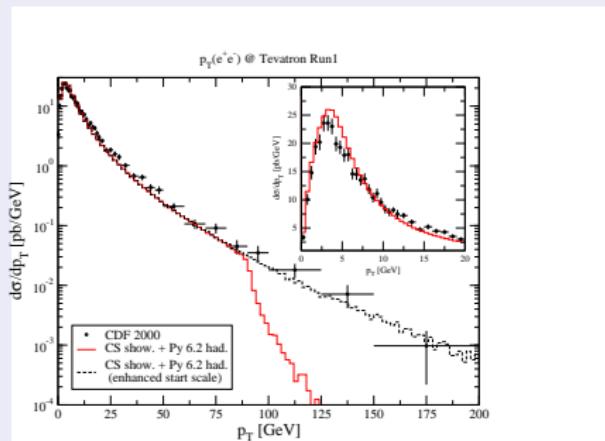


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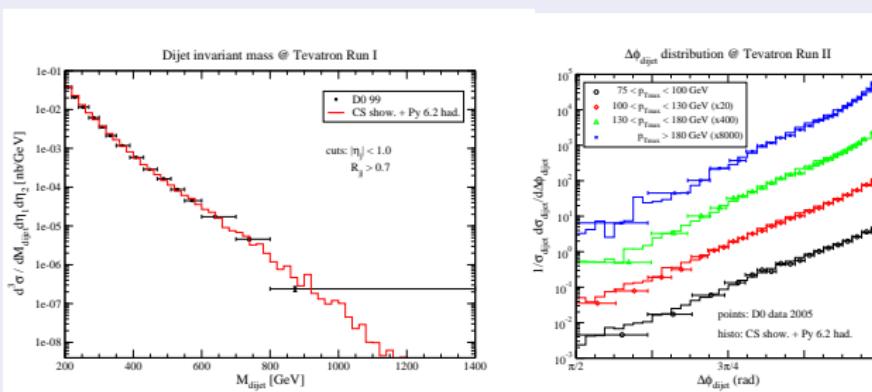
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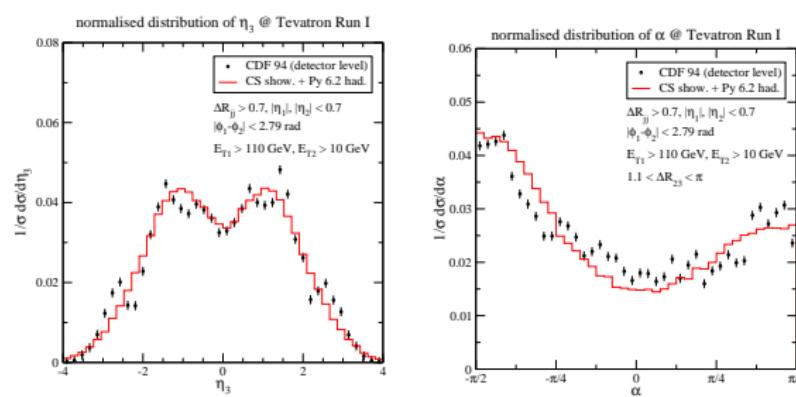


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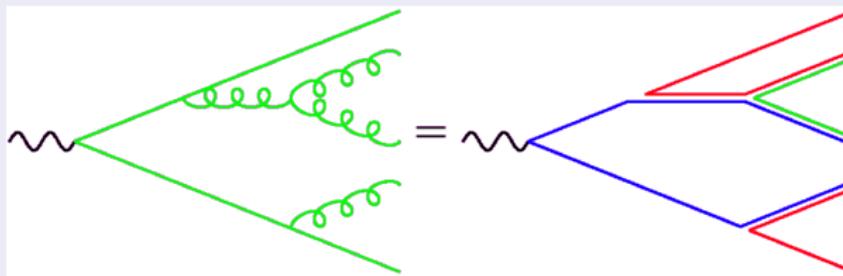
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# Hadronization

## Preconfinement

- Underlying: Large  $N_c$ -limit (planar graphs).
- Follows evolution of color in parton showers:  
at the end of shower color singlets close in phase space.
- Mass of singlets: peaked at low scales  $\approx Q_0^2$ .



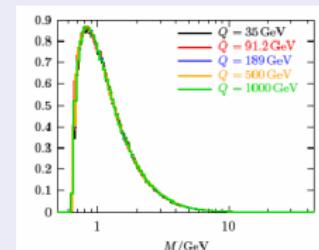
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## Cluster model

B.R.Webber, Nucl. Phys. B 238 (1984) 492

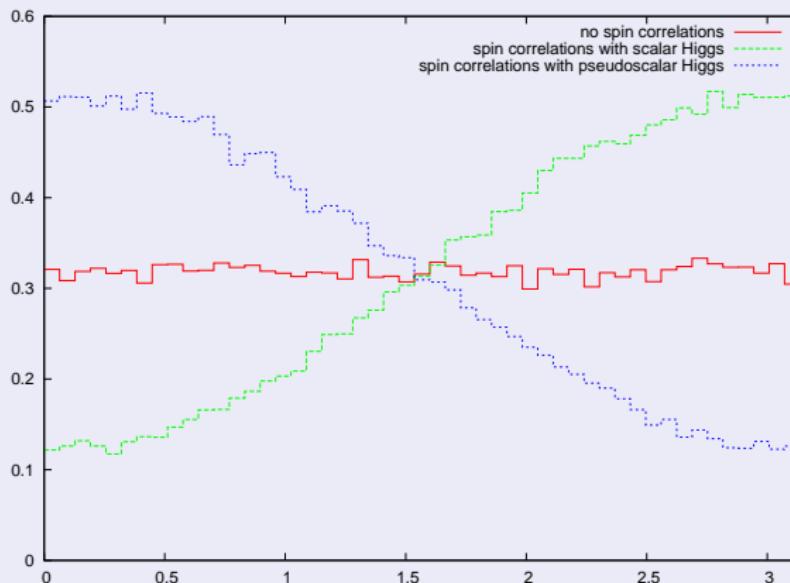
J.Winter, F.Krauss, and G.Soff, Eur. Phys. J. C36 (2004) 381

- Split gluons into  $q\bar{q}$  pairs, form singlet clusters:  
 $\Rightarrow$  continuum of meson resonances.
- Decay heavy clusters into lighter ones;  
(here, many improvements to ensure leading hadron spectrum hard enough, overall effect: cluster model becomes more string-like);
- if light enough, clusters  $\rightarrow$  hadrons.
- Naively: spin information washed out, decay determined through phase space only  $\rightarrow$  heavy hadrons suppressed  
(baryon/strangeness suppression).
- Primordial cluster mass spectrum universal.

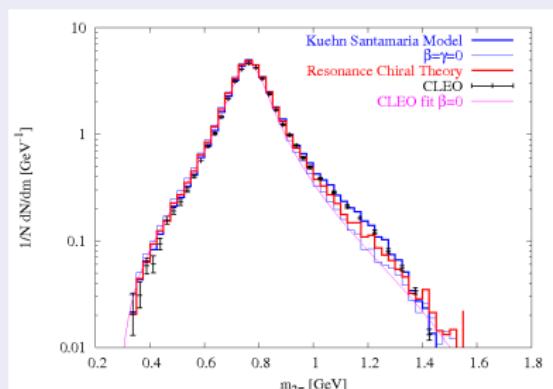
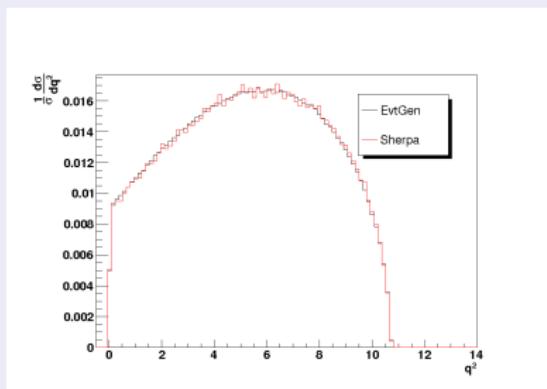


## Spin correlations in $H \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$

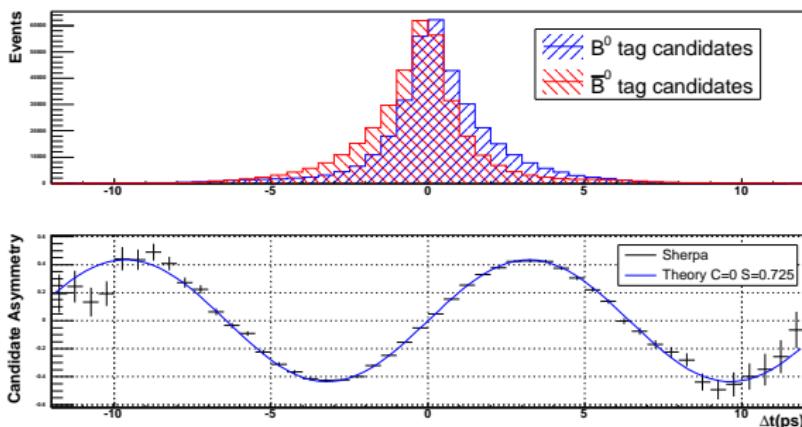
Angle of planes of decay products ( $p\nu$ ) in c.m.s



## Decay matrix elements: Form factors

 $B \rightarrow D^* \ell \nu$  $\tau \rightarrow \pi \pi \nu$ 

## $B\bar{B}$ -mixing and decay into $J/\Psi K_S$



# Summary & outlook

## Outlook

- Immediate future: finish SHERPA (time horizon: this year)
  - Validate SHERPA for Higgs production processes
  - How about SUSY at LHC ?
  - Finish implementation of hadronization & hadron decays
  - New model for underlying event (BFKL-based)
- Near future: extend SHERPA (time horizon: next year)
  - Implement more models (RPV, UED, Gravitinos)
  - New parton shower(s) (better suited for MC@NLO)
  - Play: Phenomenology with a nice & versatile tool
  - Start going NLO (QCD) in merging
- Far future: go to precision level (time horizon: five years)
  - Play more
  - Further validation vs. (LHC) data; further learning
  - Go QCD NLO in **BOTH** matrix elements and merging



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## Outlook

- Science fiction: Prepare for LC physics

- QED ISR in the spirit of YFS for  $e^+ e^-$  collisions
- Include electroweak NLO corrections
- Electroweak showering/Sudakov effects (resummation)
- Photon-photon physics (underlying event in  $e^+ e^-$ )
- Include Weizsaecker-Williams, Beamstrahlung
- Go to NNLO QCD (if possible), may need new shower.