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Underlying Event Tuning for



VINCIA

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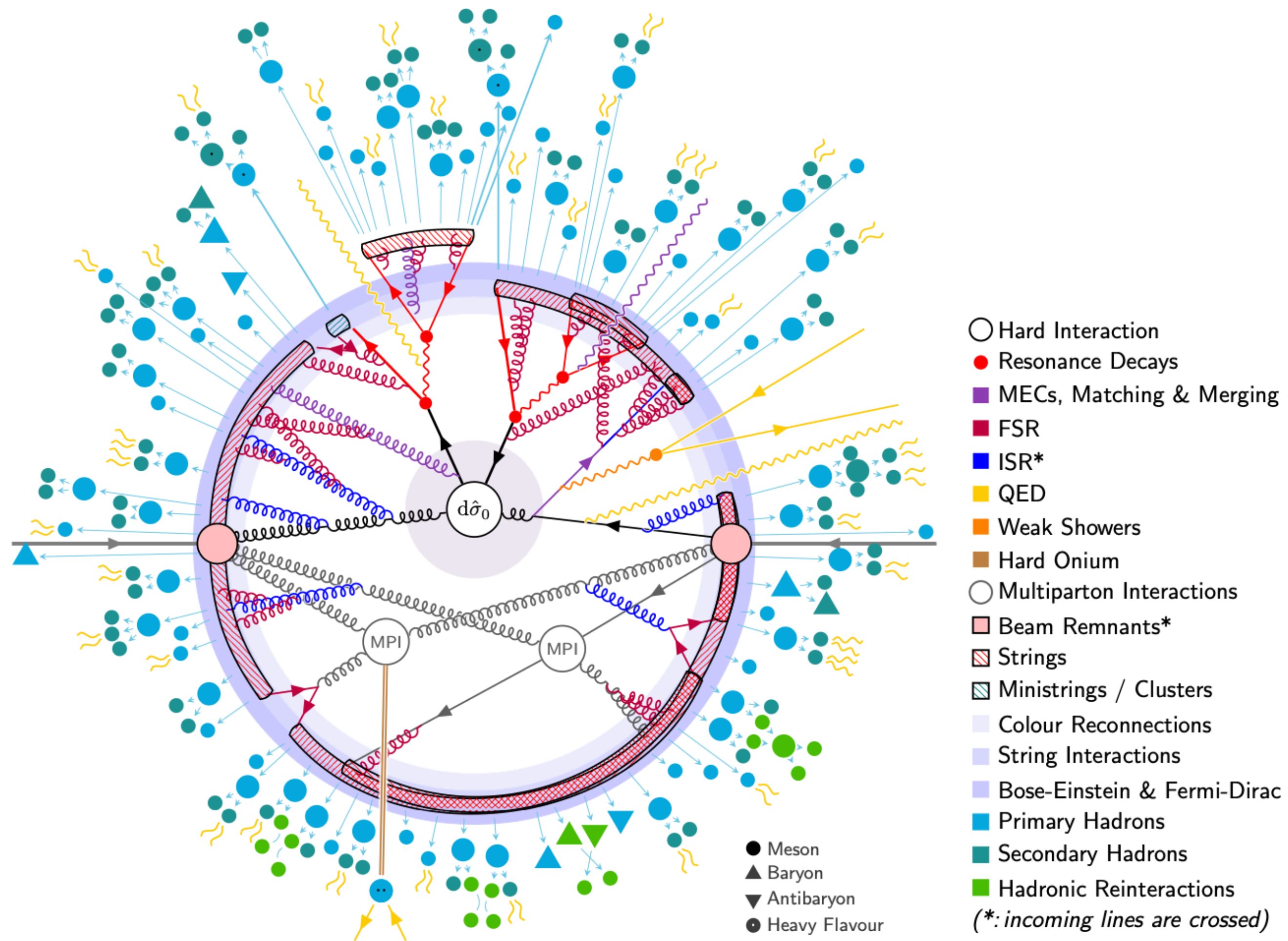
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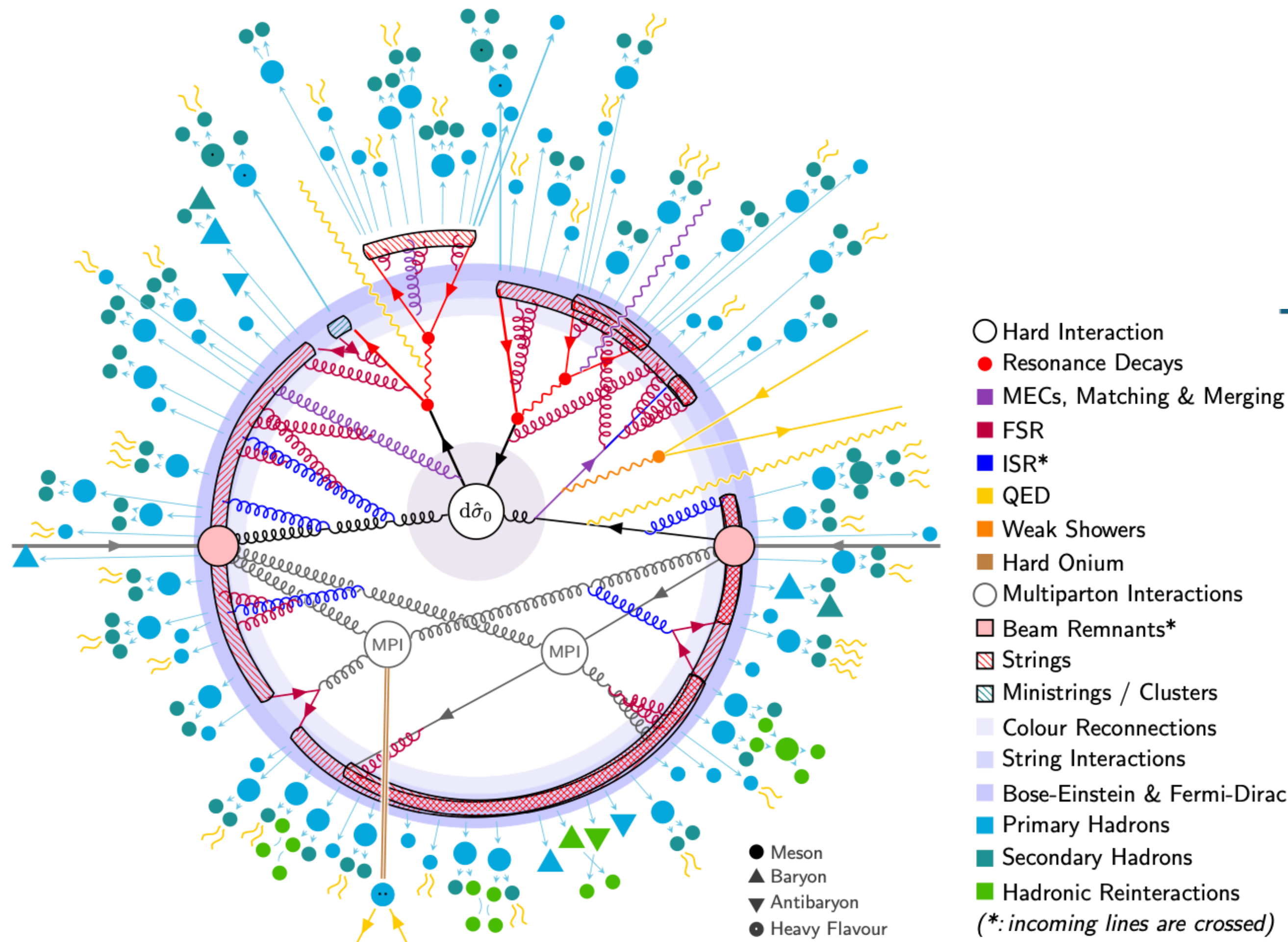
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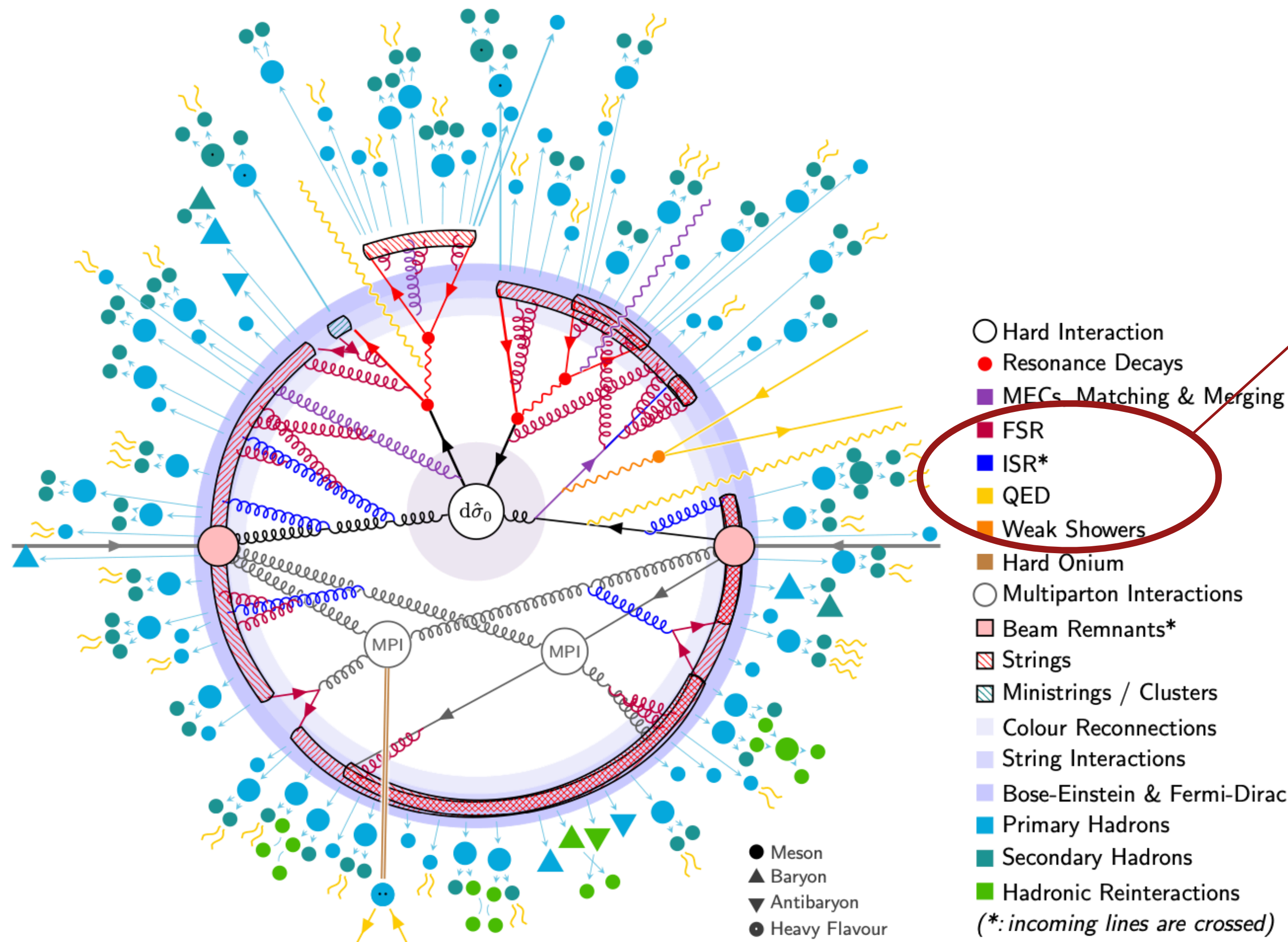


○ Monte Carlo generators start the chain of simulation of SM physics

Physical predictions of QCD at different energy scales

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○ Parton shower:
 ▶ Perturbative emission of additional partons until $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \approx 1 \text{ GeV}$

○ Physics processes are dependent on multiple parameters: *Tuning*
 ○ Accurate modelling **vital** for precision SM measurements: m_W
 ▶ Predicted to high precision
 ▶ LEP, Tevatron, and LHC

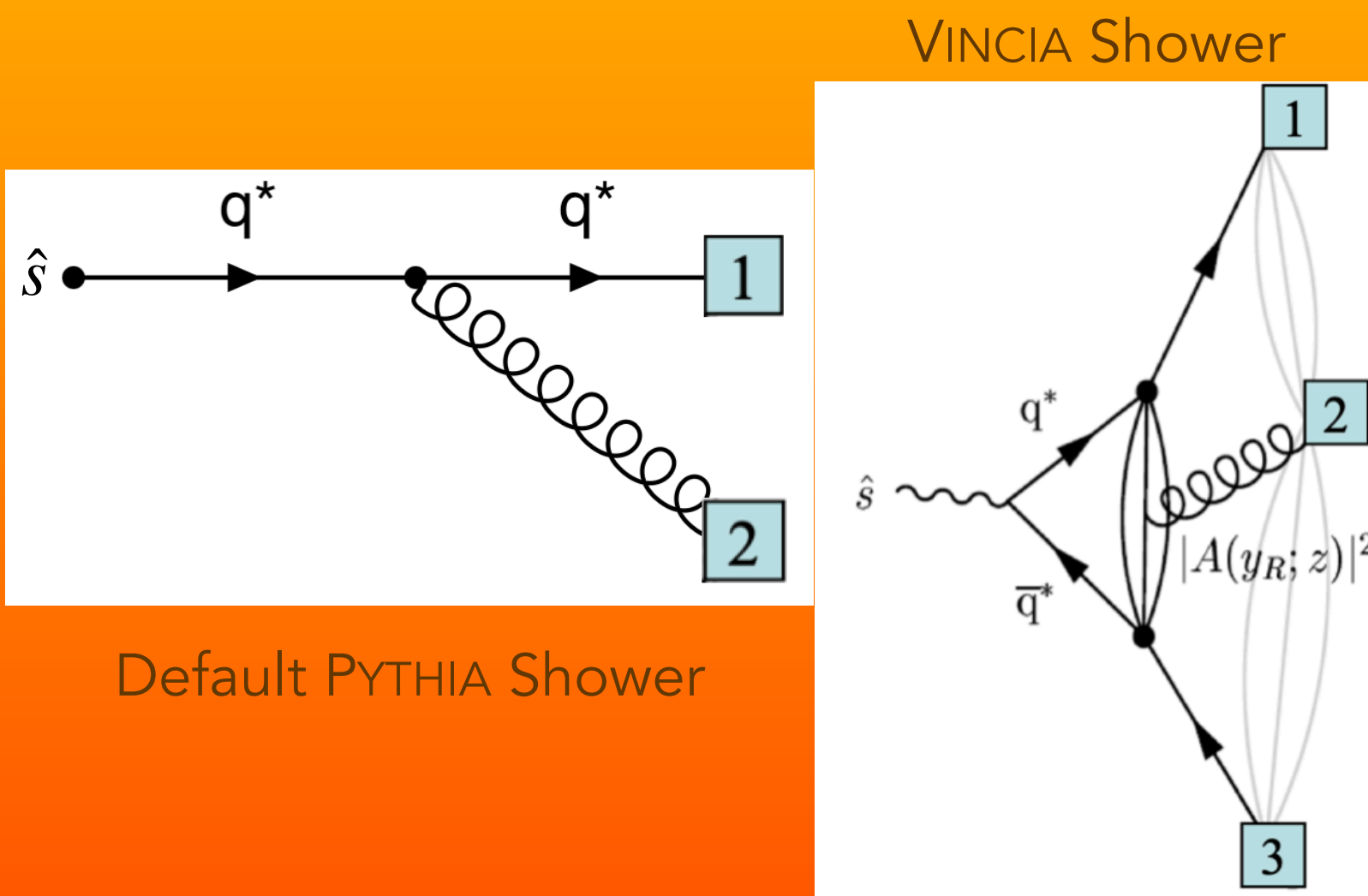
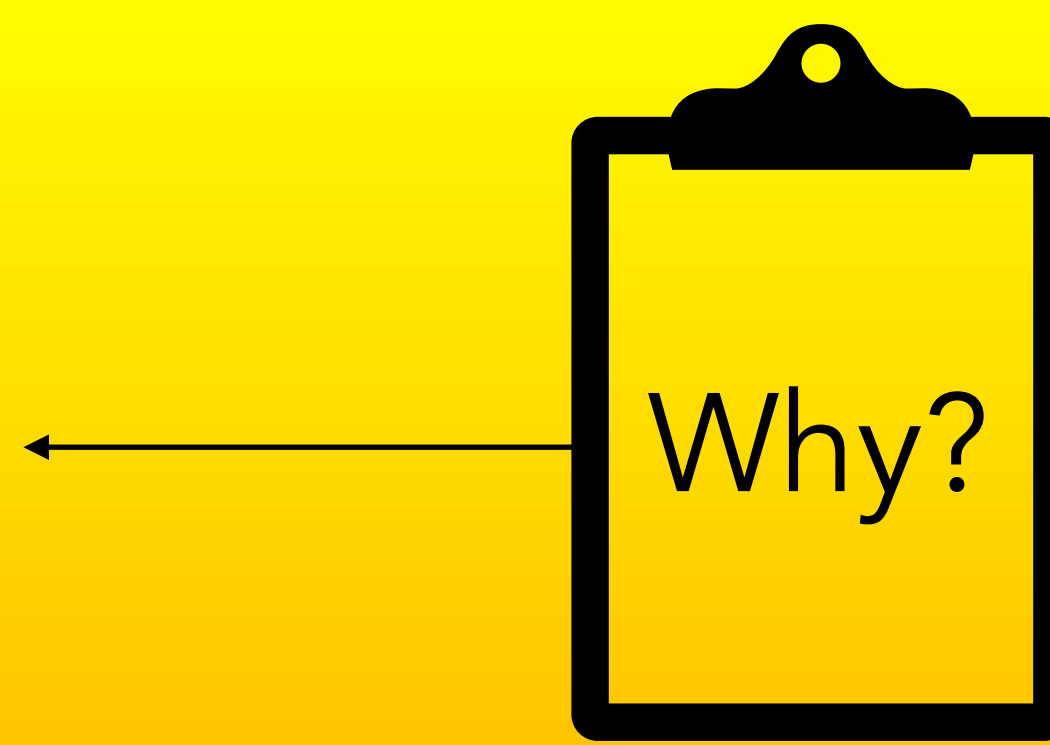
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 CDF (2022): $m_W = 80433.5 \pm 9.4 \text{ MeV}$

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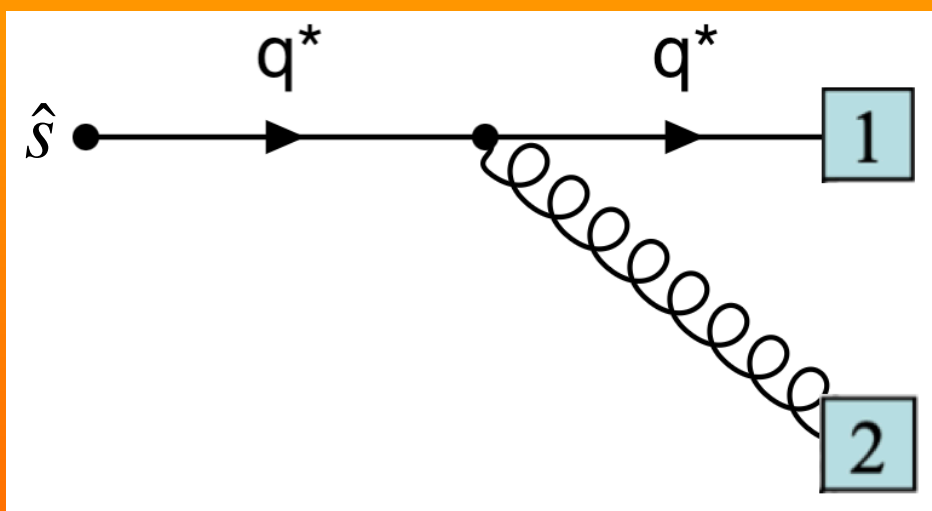


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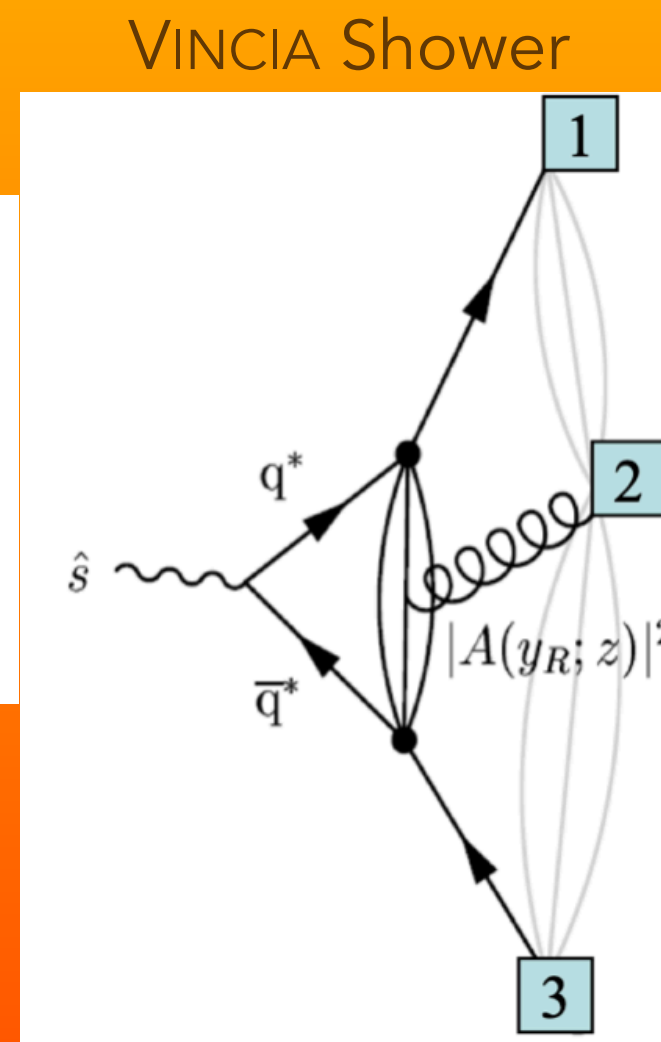
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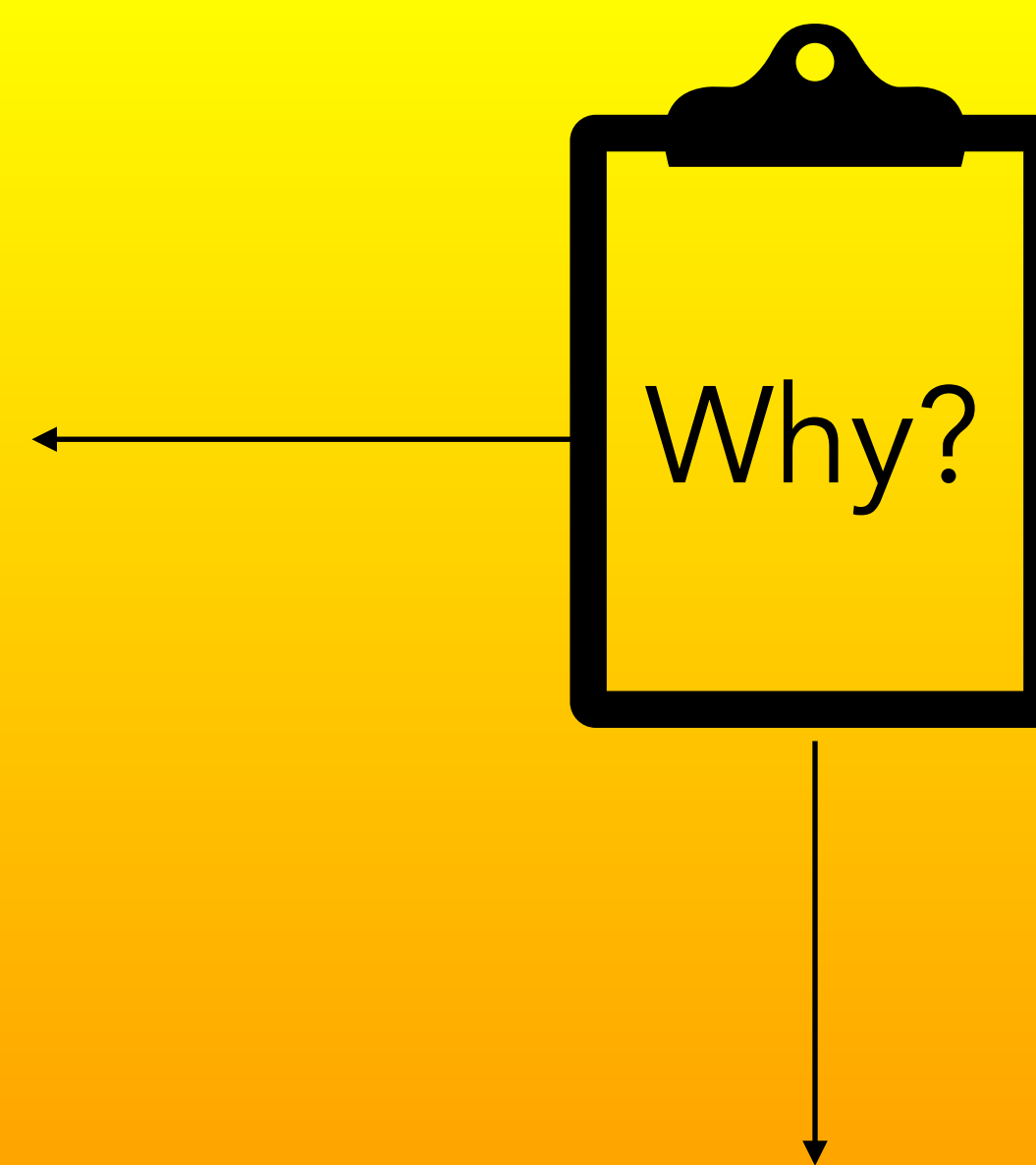
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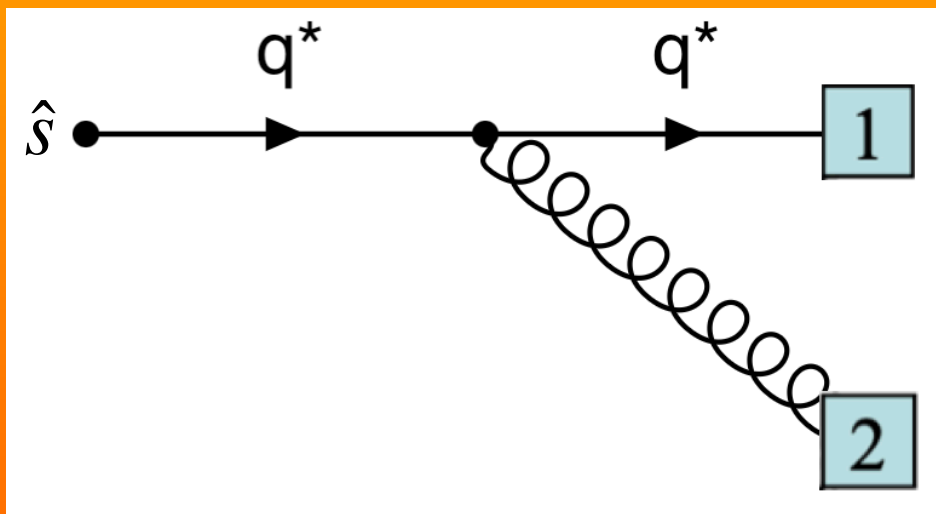
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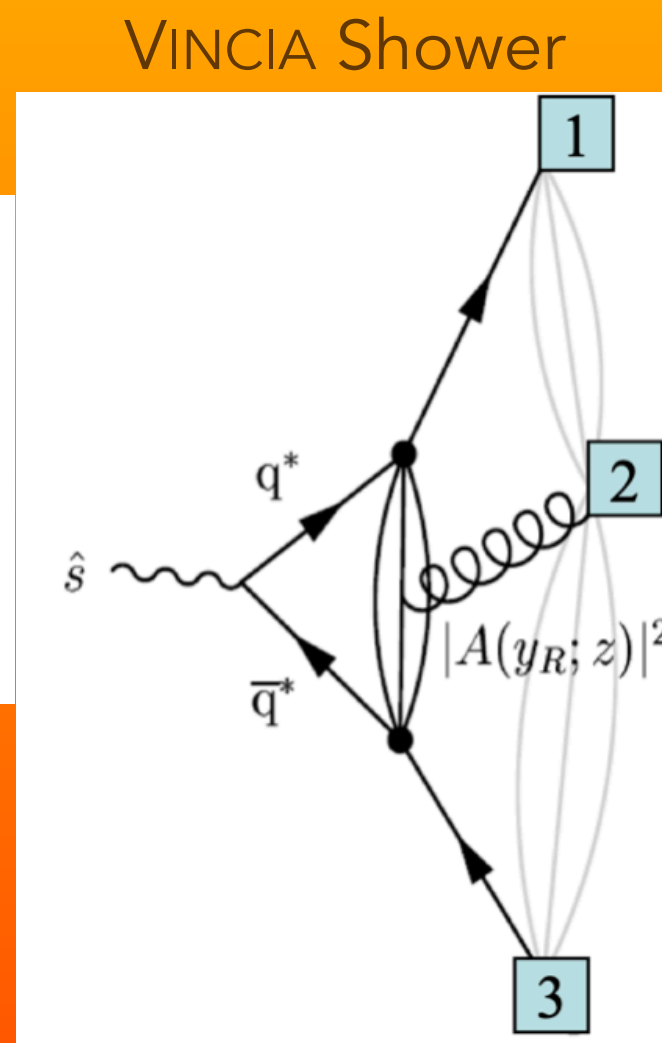
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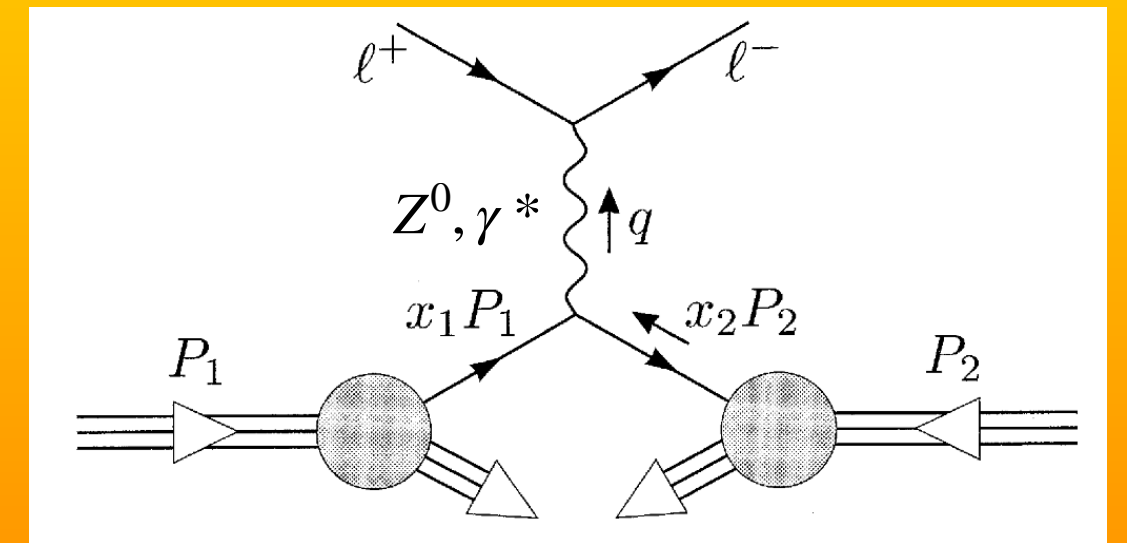


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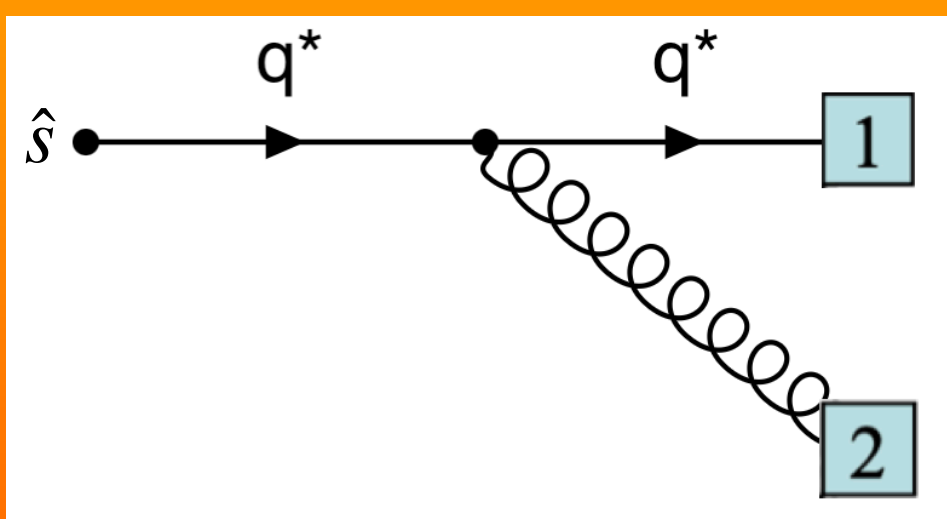
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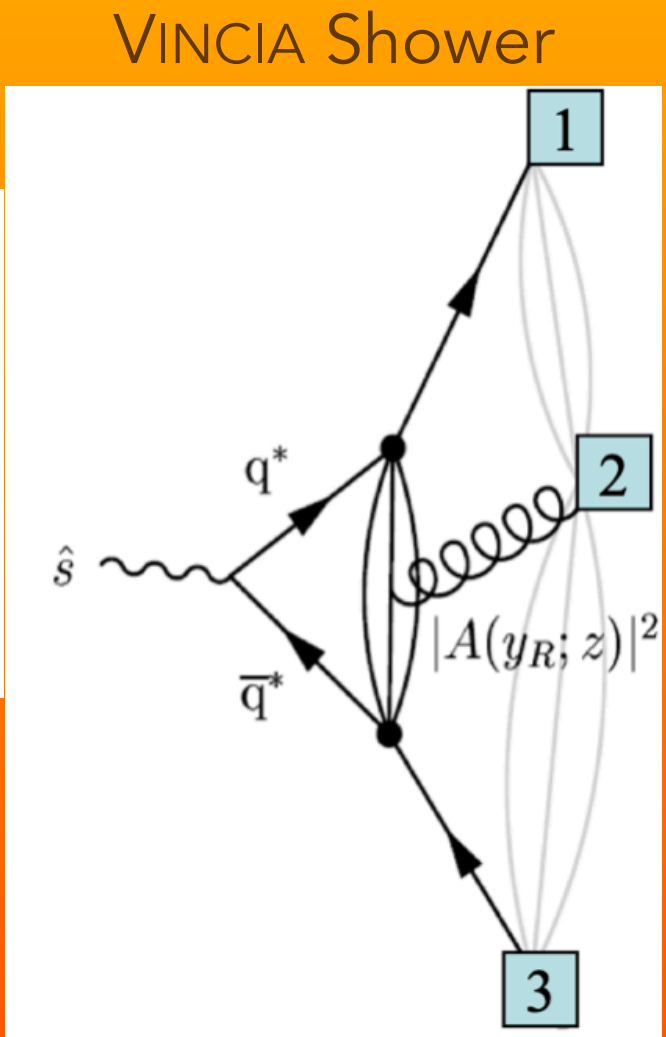
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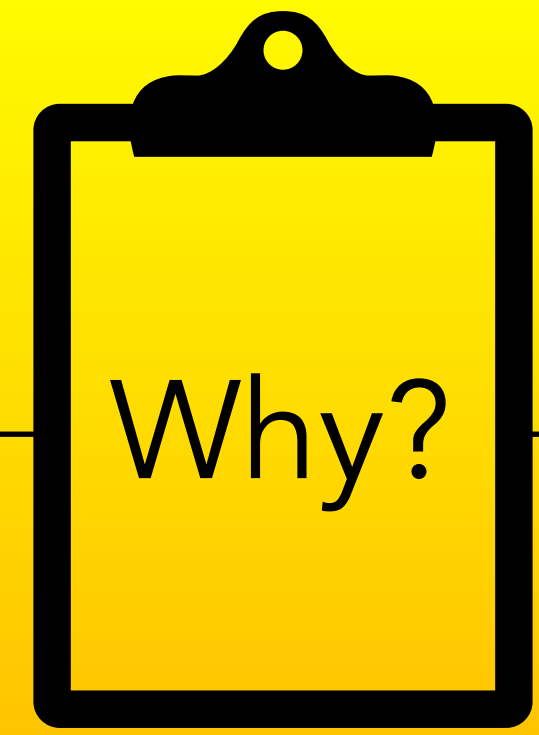


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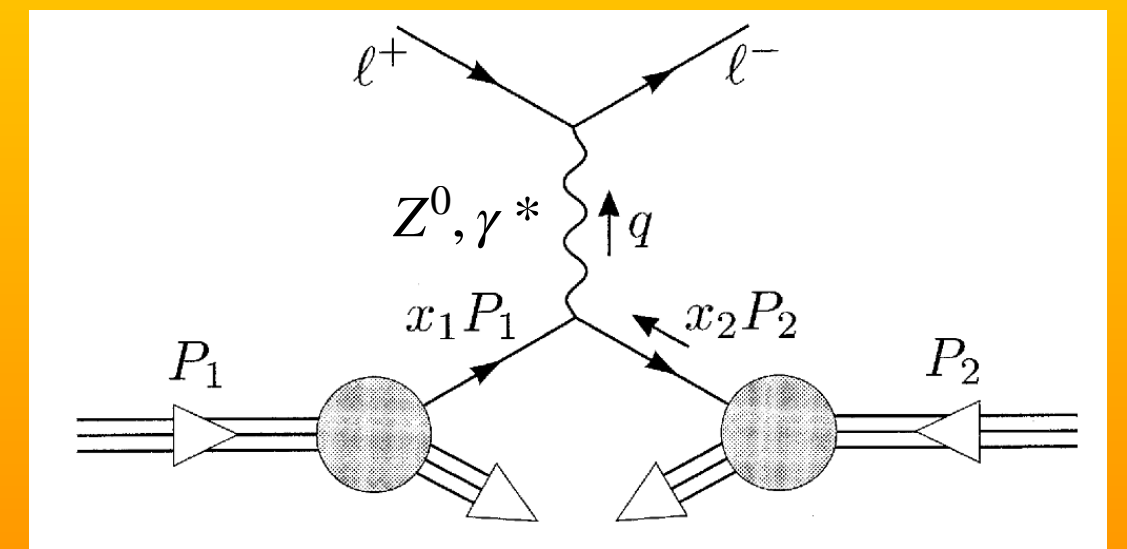


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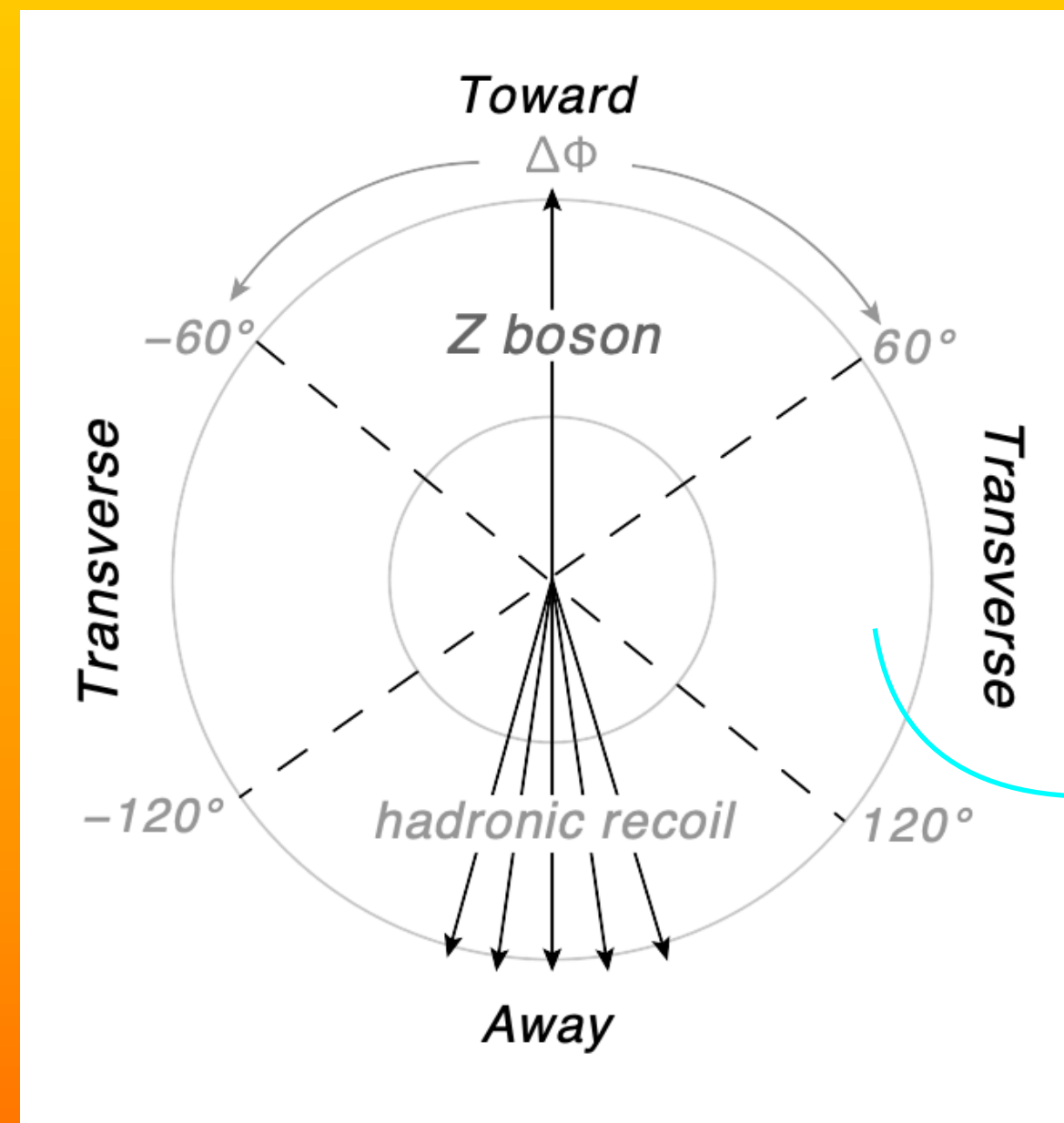


- PowhegBox matched to:
1. **Default PYTHIA 8 Shower**
 - Monash tune
 2. **VINCIA**
 - Own hadronisation parameters
 - Sensitivity: **Monash**

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◆ ATLAS Measurement of UE-Sensitive Observables for Drell-Yan Events

- Events with a muon-antimuon pair with an invariant mass near that of the Z boson, in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV
- Plane transverse to the beam:



Divided according to $\sum p_T$

- **Away:** Dominated by recoil, low sensitivity to UE
- **Transverse:** Less contamination from the hard process
 - ⊕ ■ **Transmax:** more radiation from the recoiling jets, less UE-sensitive than
 - ⊖ ■ **Transmin:** high sensitivity to UE
- **Toward:** high sensitivity to UE

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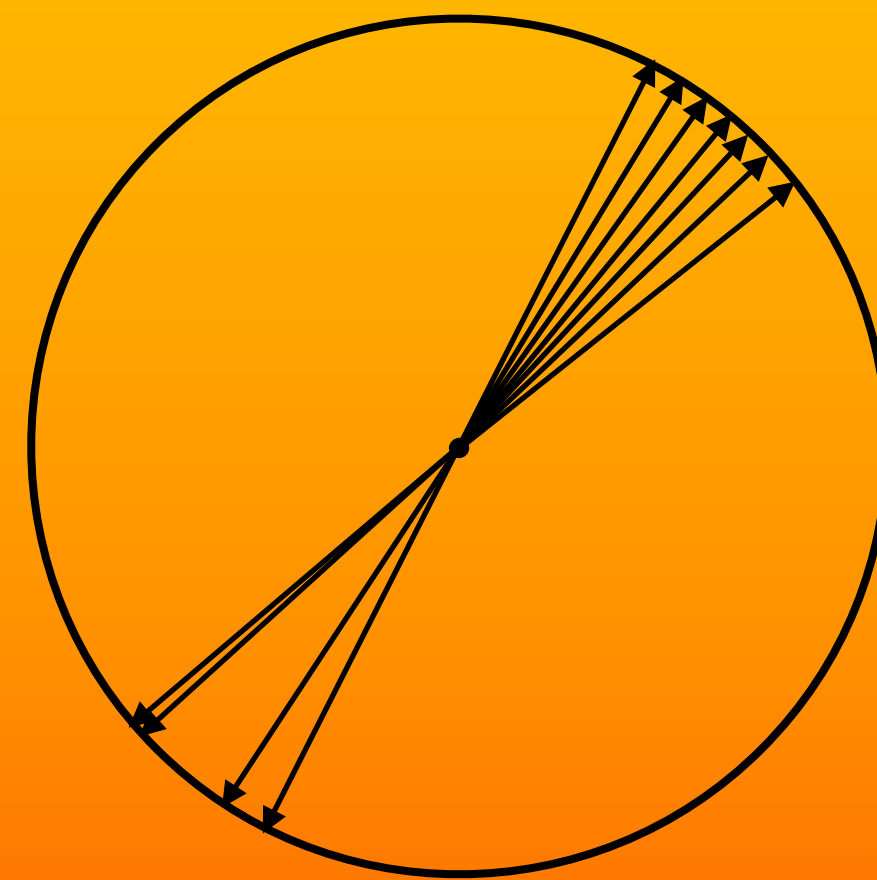
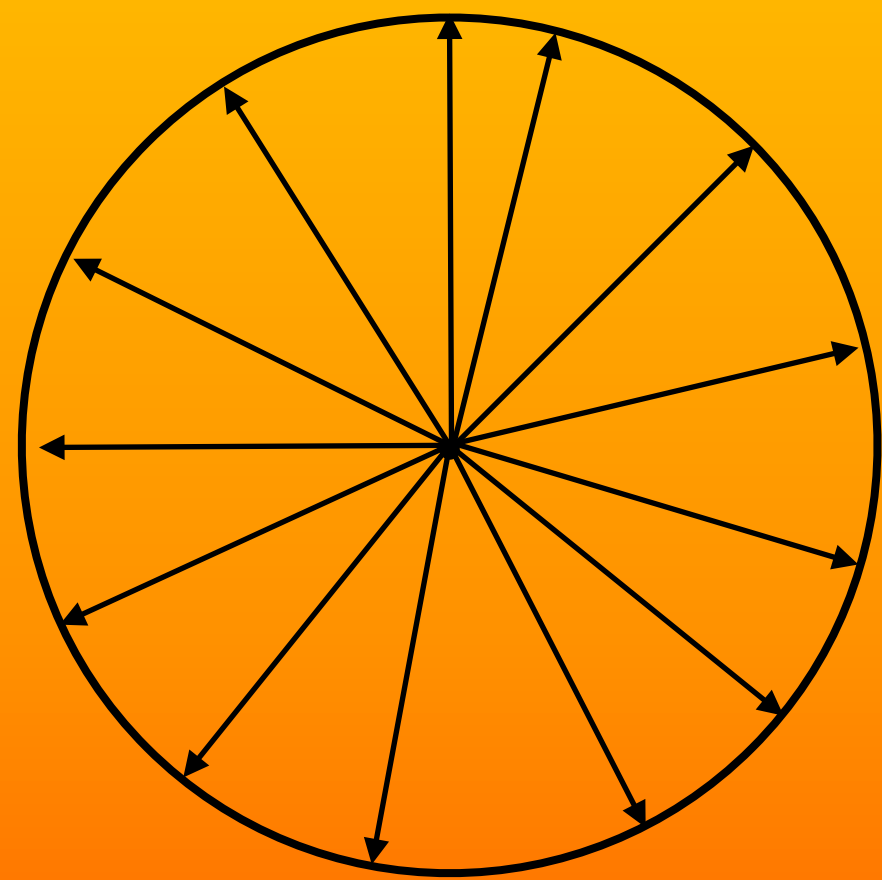
◎ Another divide based on transverse thrust T_{\perp} :

$$T_{\perp} = \frac{\sum_j |\vec{p}_{T,j} \cdot \hat{n}|}{\sum_j |\vec{p}_{T,j}|}$$



📌 Low-thrust: $T_{\perp} < 0.75$

📌 High-thrust: $T_{\perp} > 0.75$



📌 Events with low thrust:
largest relative contribution
from UE

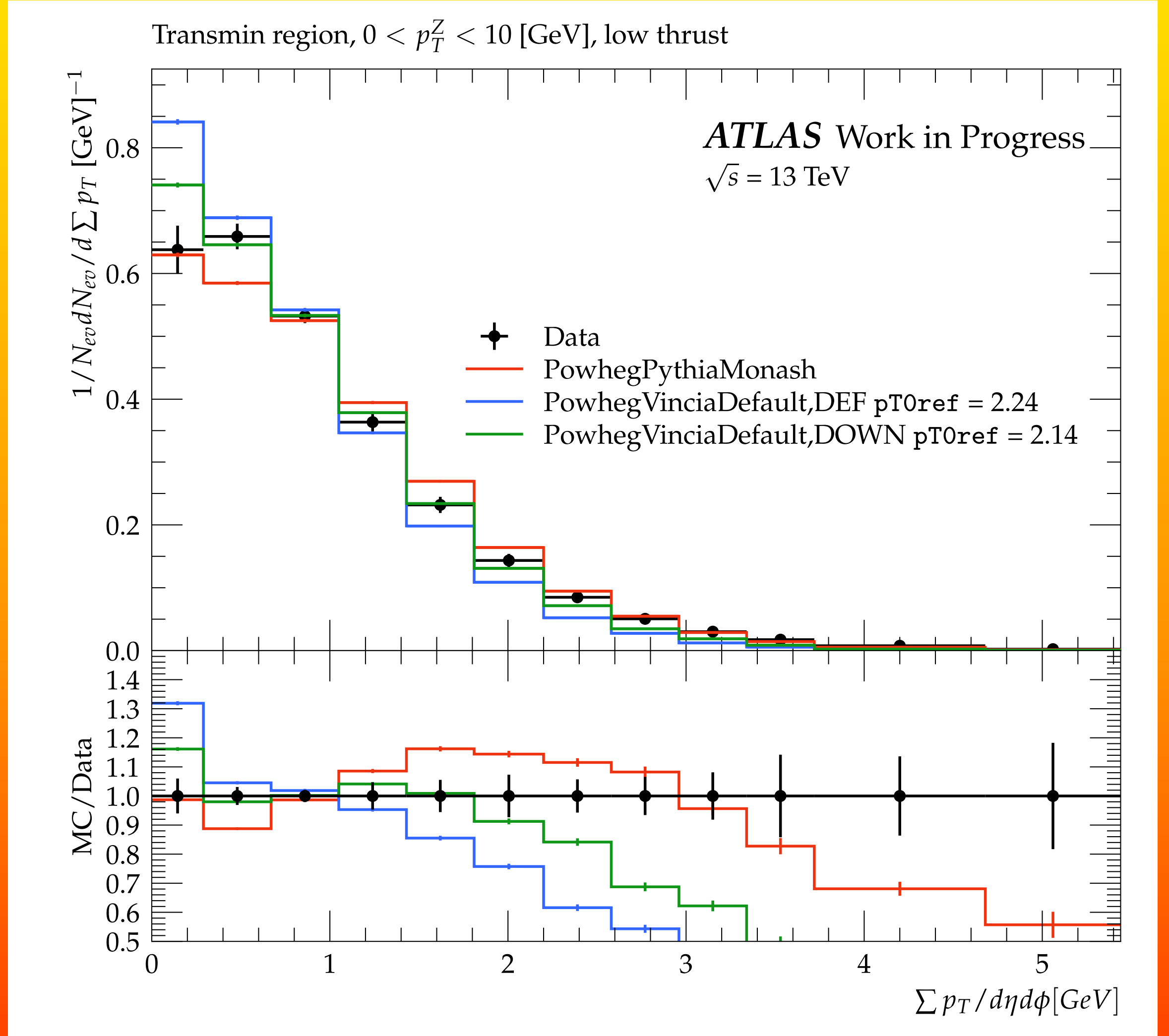
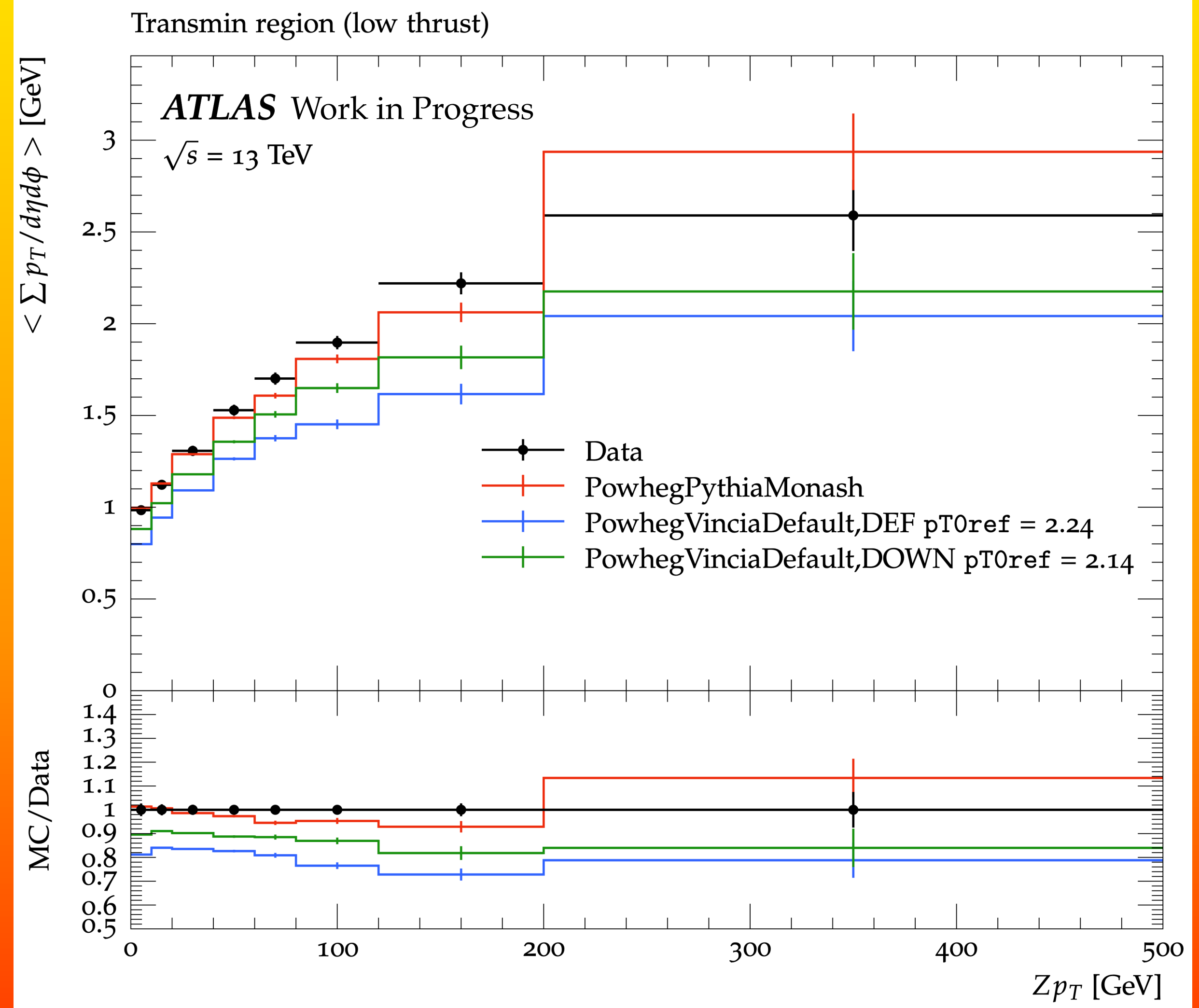
📌 MPI: most spherical energy
distributions



◆ Sensitivity I-MultipartonInteractions:pT0ref

● pT0ref ↓ MPI ↑

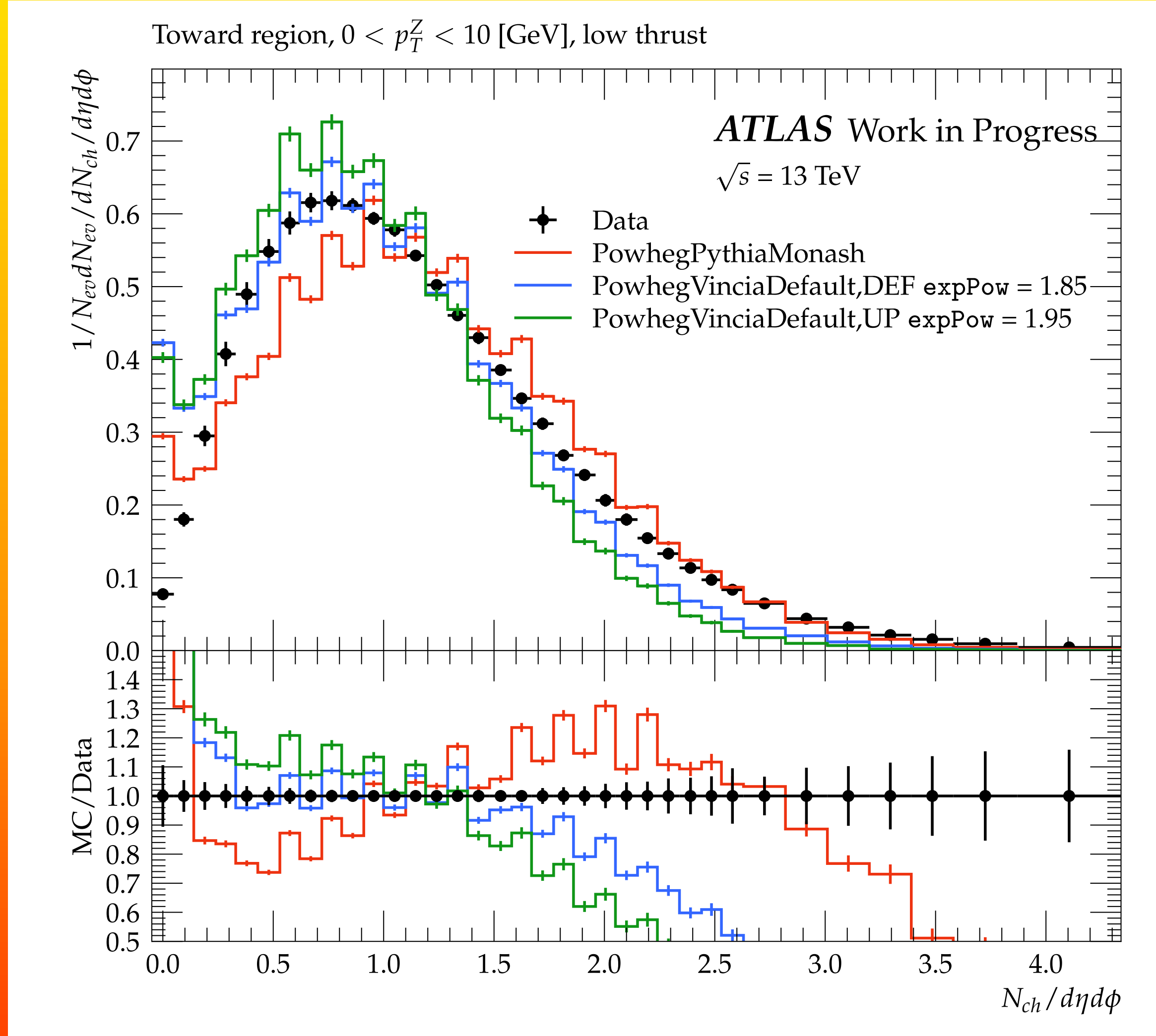
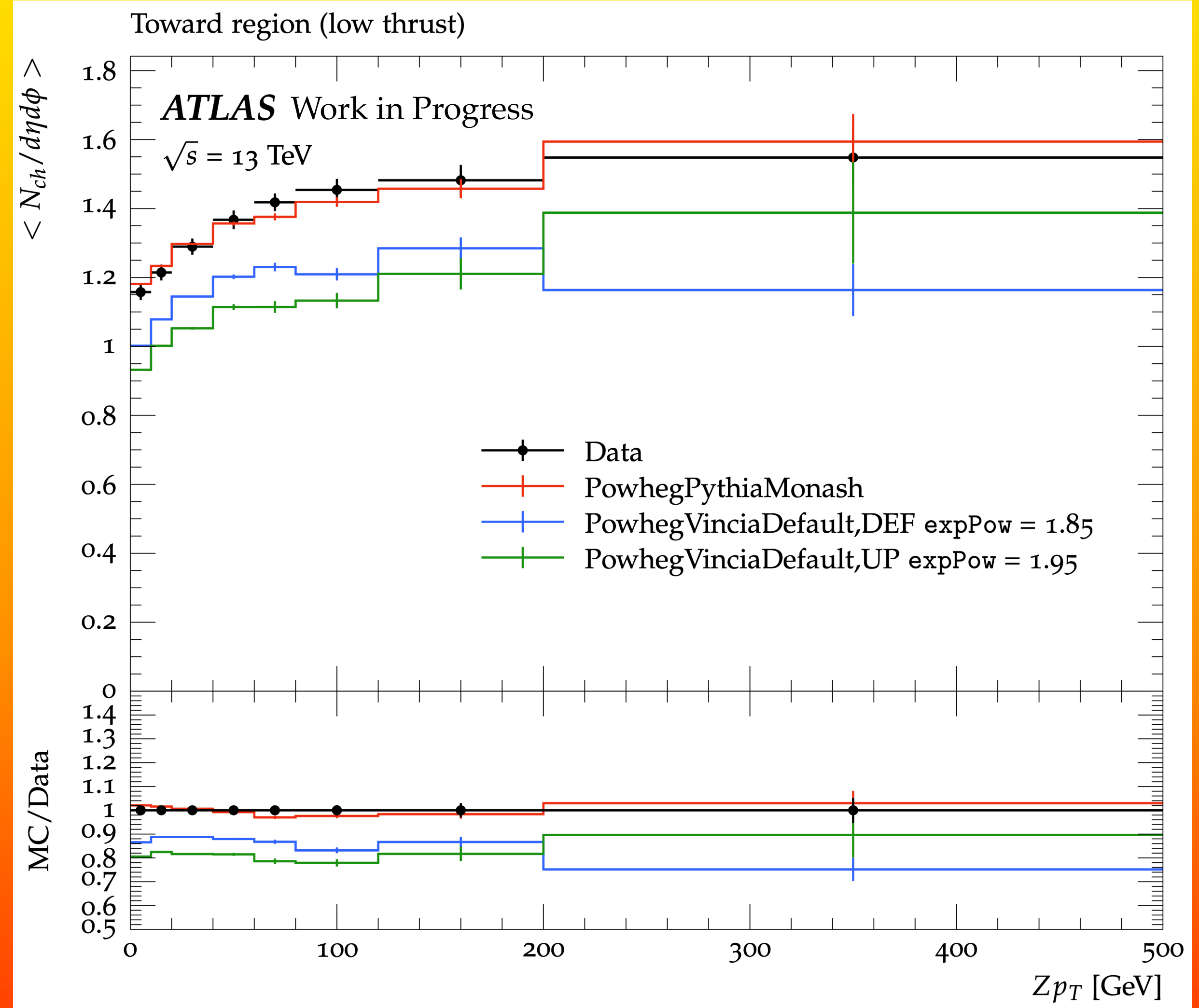
● High sensitivity observed: in terms of total energy, little differential dependence



◆ Sensitivity II-MultipartonInteractions:expPow

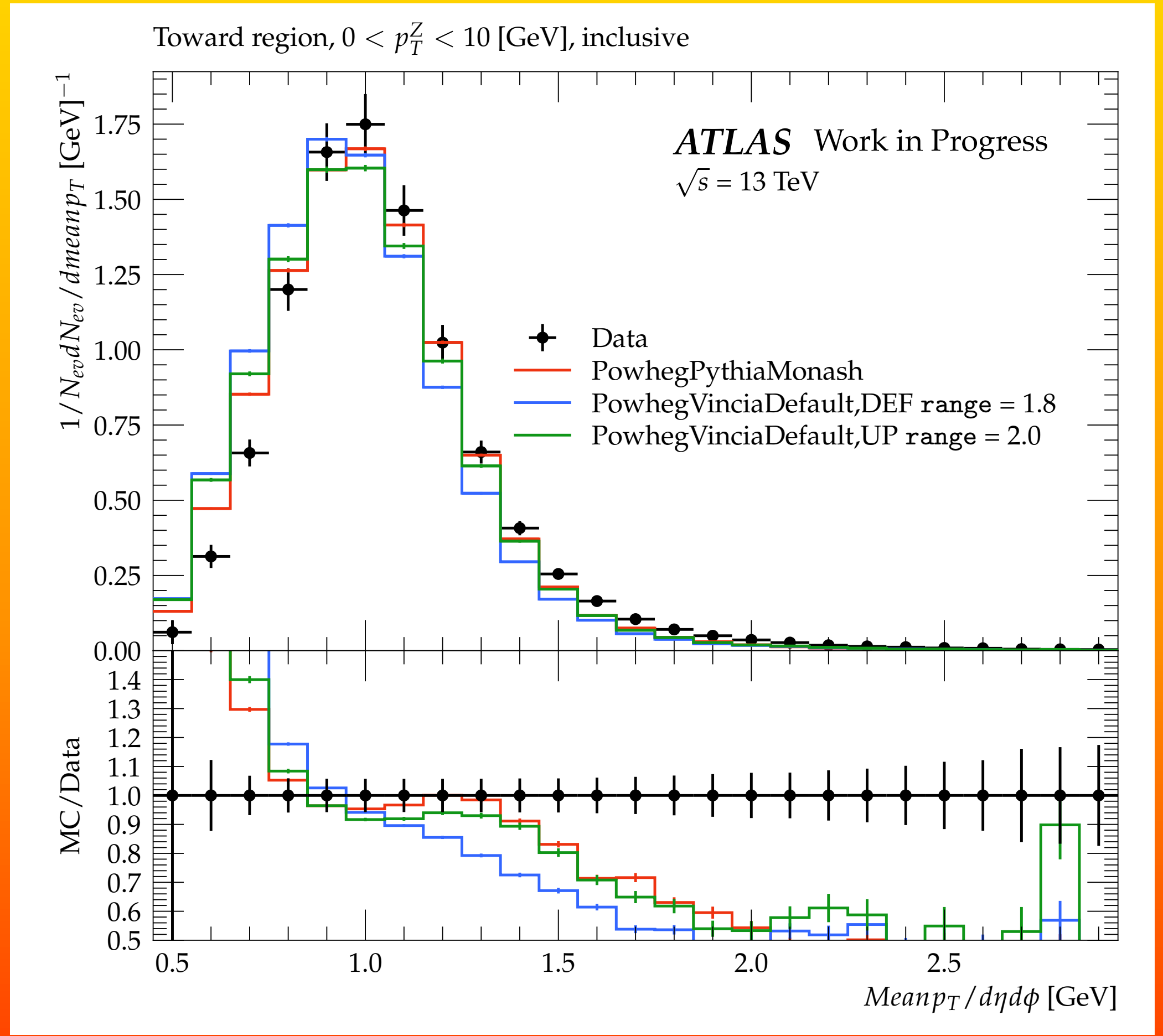
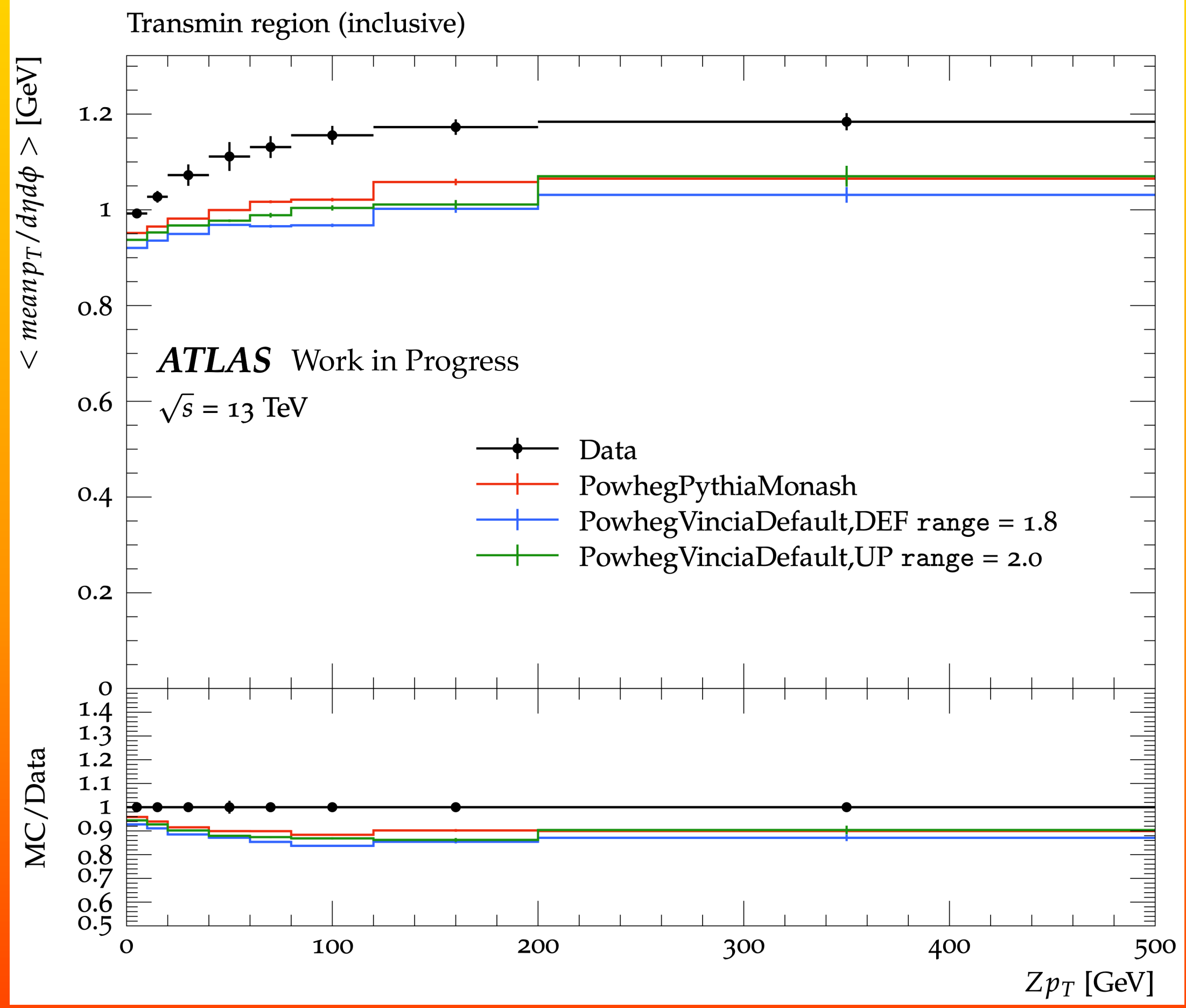
● MultipartonInteractions:bProfile → impact parameter profile of the incoming protons

● Default: convolution of the form $exp(-b^{expPow})$



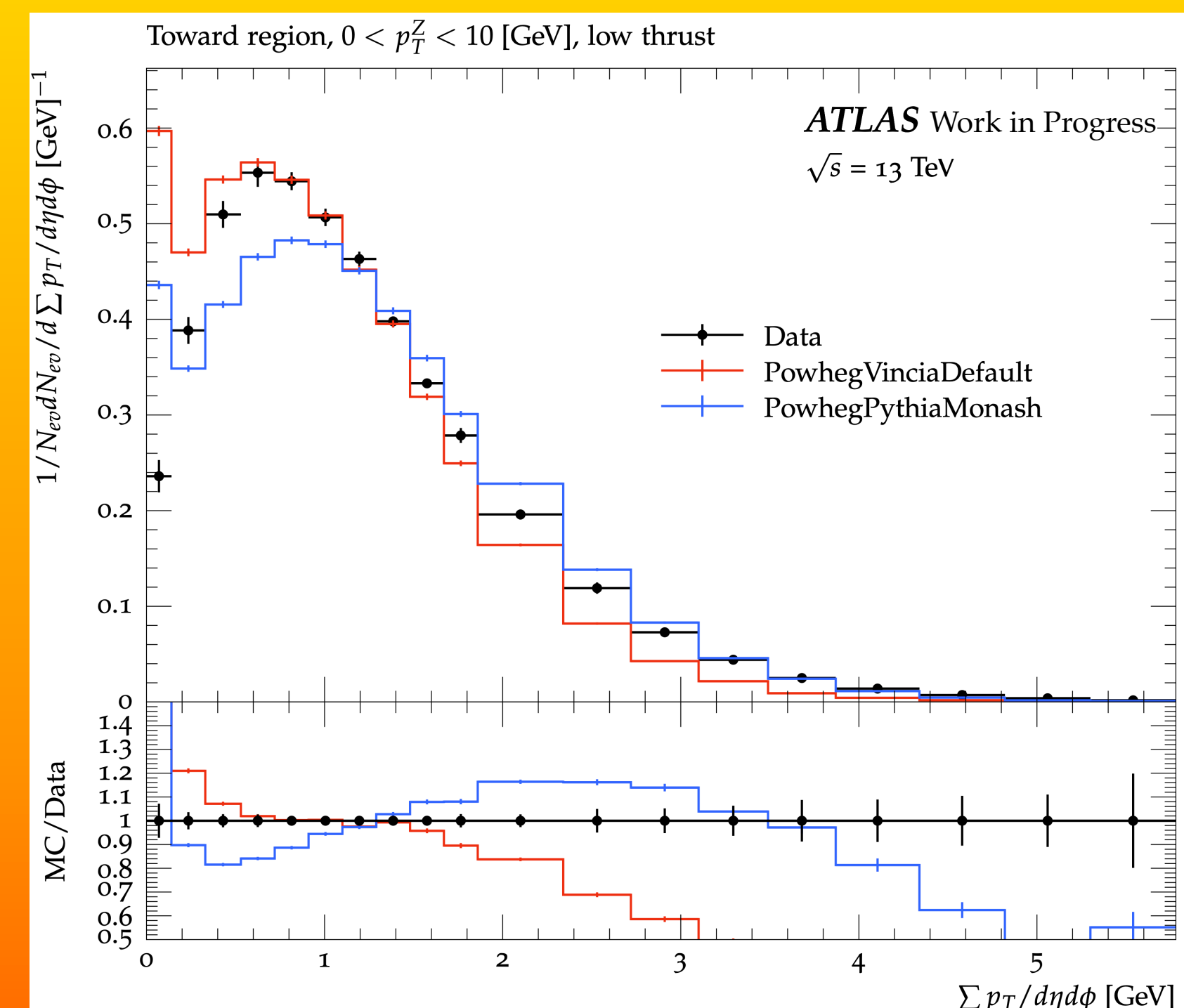
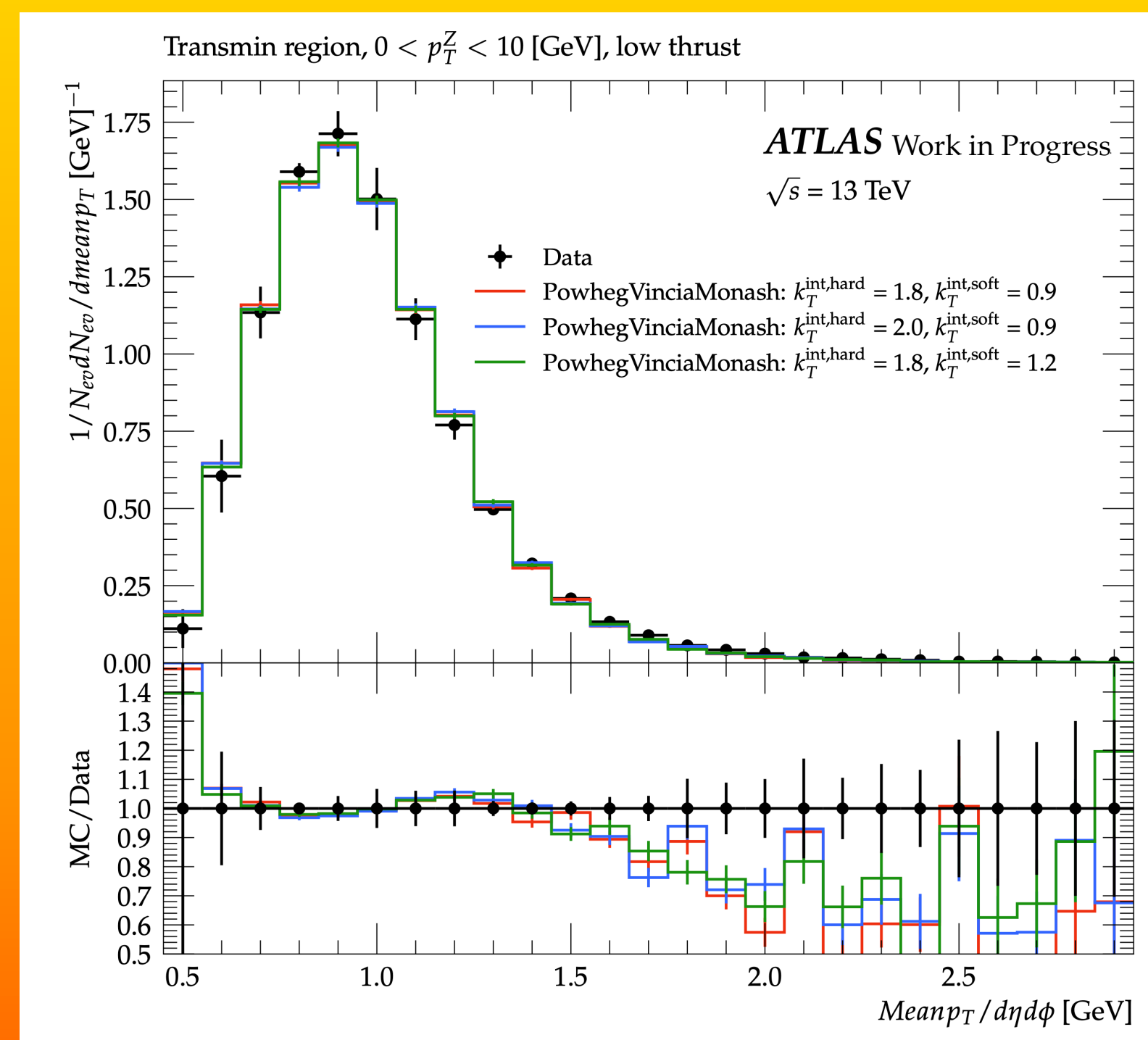
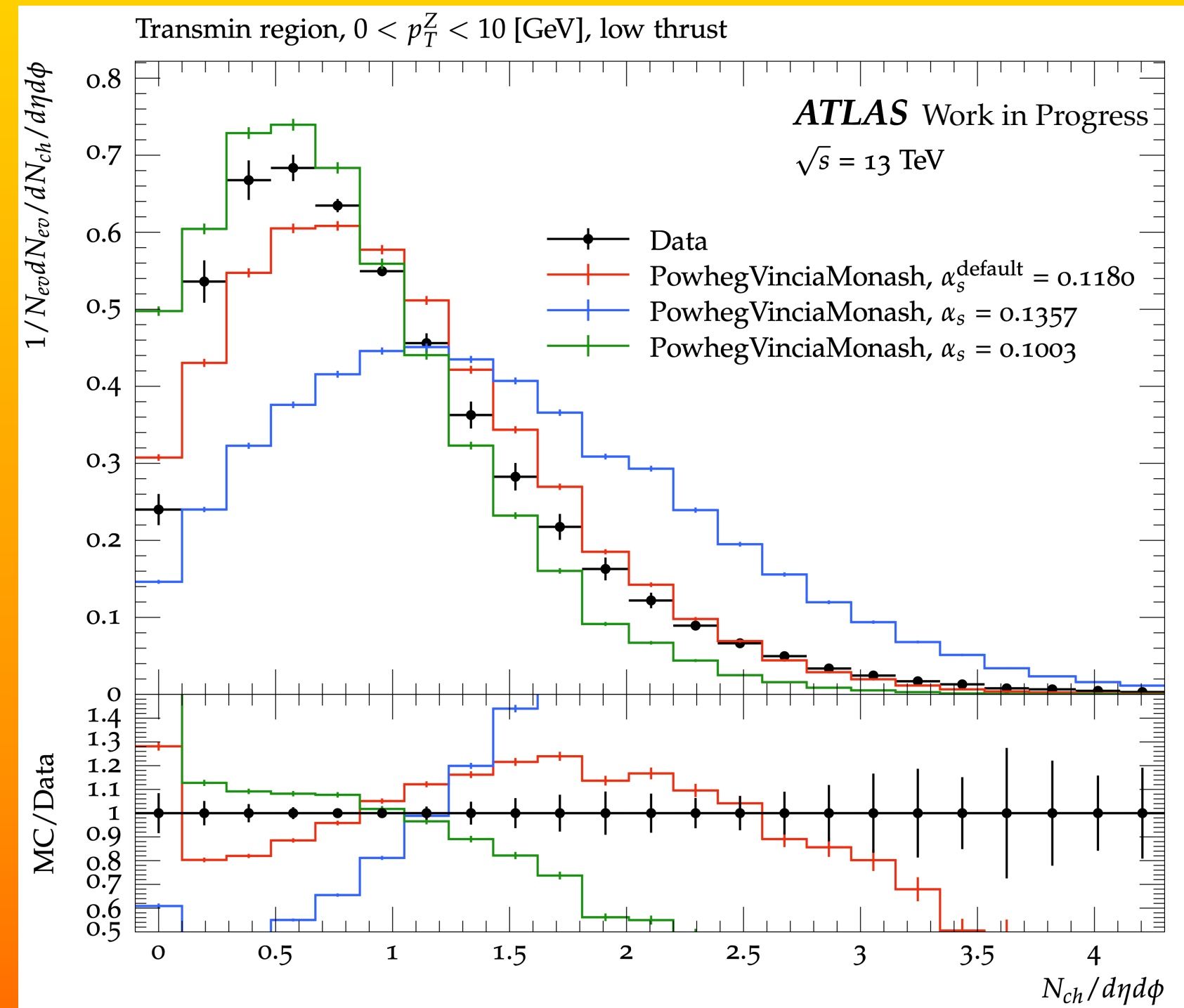
◆ Sensitivity III-ColourReconnection:range

- Probability of an MPI system to be merged with a harder one: p_{T0ref} and range
- range ↑: more colour reconnections
- A slope change needed for modelled profiles to match data



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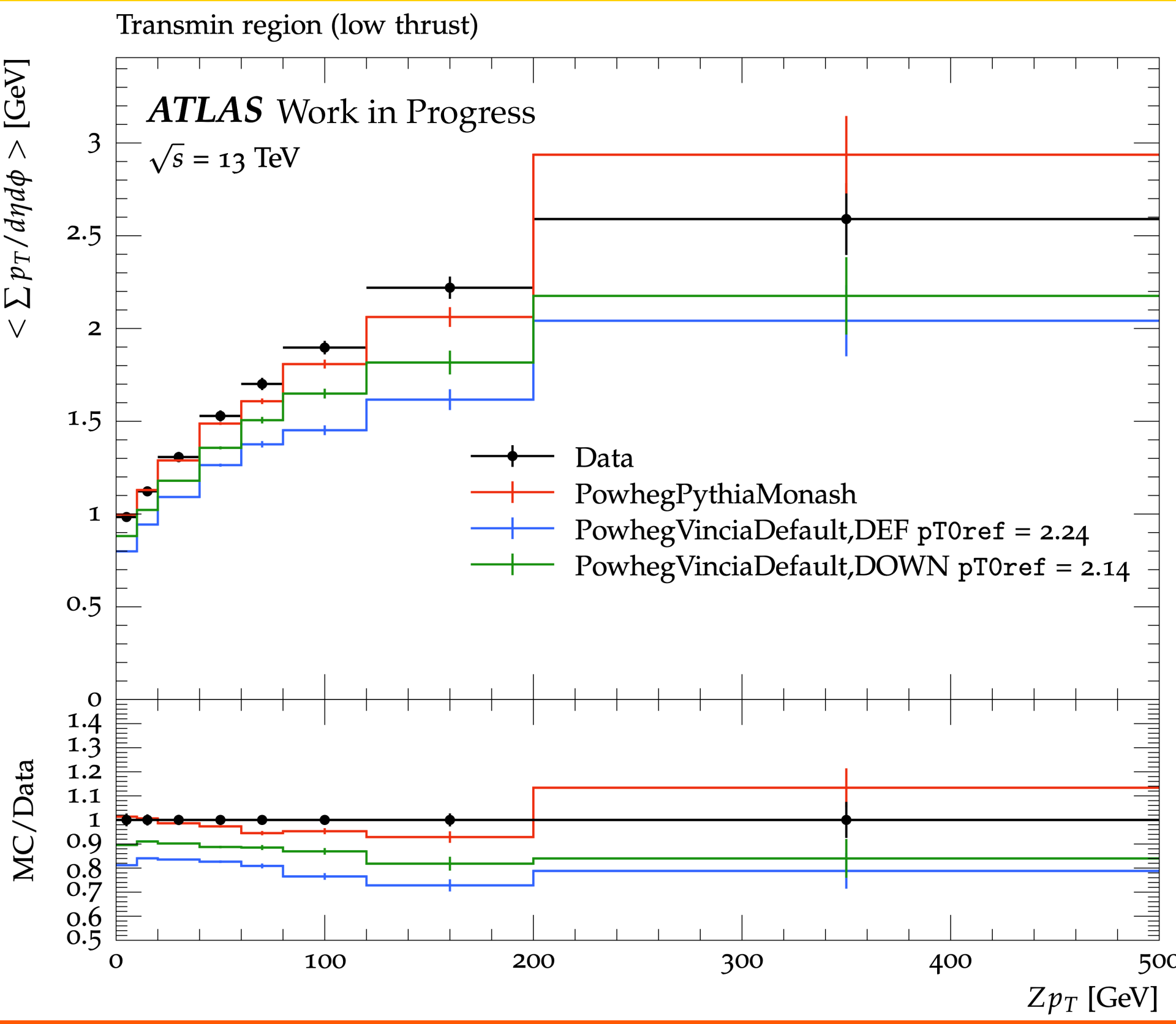
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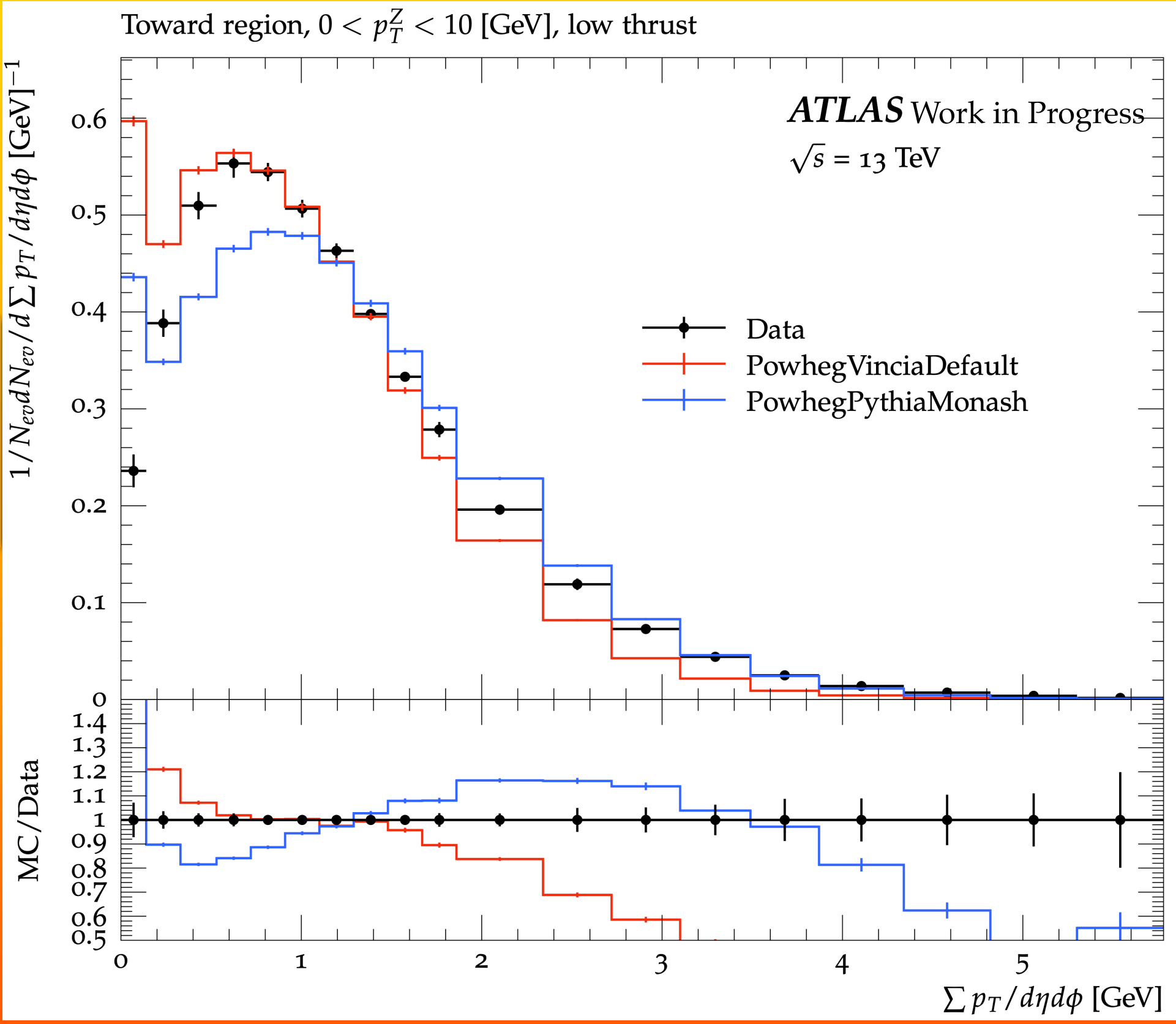
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Monash: okay for profile distributions but fails for differential distributions.



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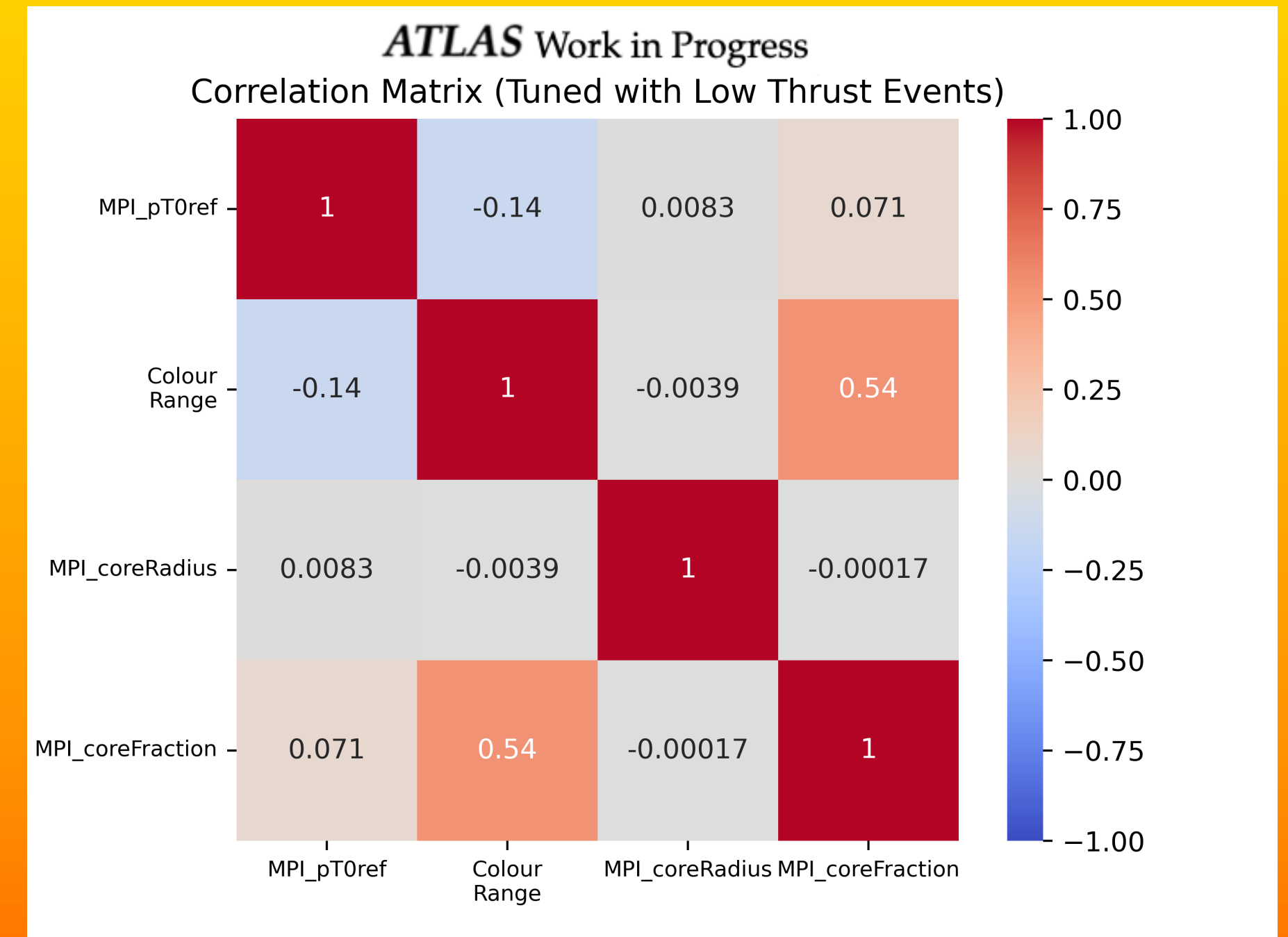
◆ Initial Tuning Results with Professor

- Inputs: Differential distributions in $\sum p_T, N_{ch}$, mean p_T for low-thrust events in trasmin and toward + χ^2 goodness-of-fit function used
- Double Gaussian bProfile
- Parameters: pT0ref, coreRadius, coreFraction, and range

!! 5% theory uncertainty included

PYTHIA 8 Parameter	Value
MPI:pT0ref	2.07
MPI:coreRadius	0.60
MPI:coreFraction	0.63
ColourReconnection:Range	2.12

■ $\chi^2 \approx 3597, N_{\text{dof}} = 1083$

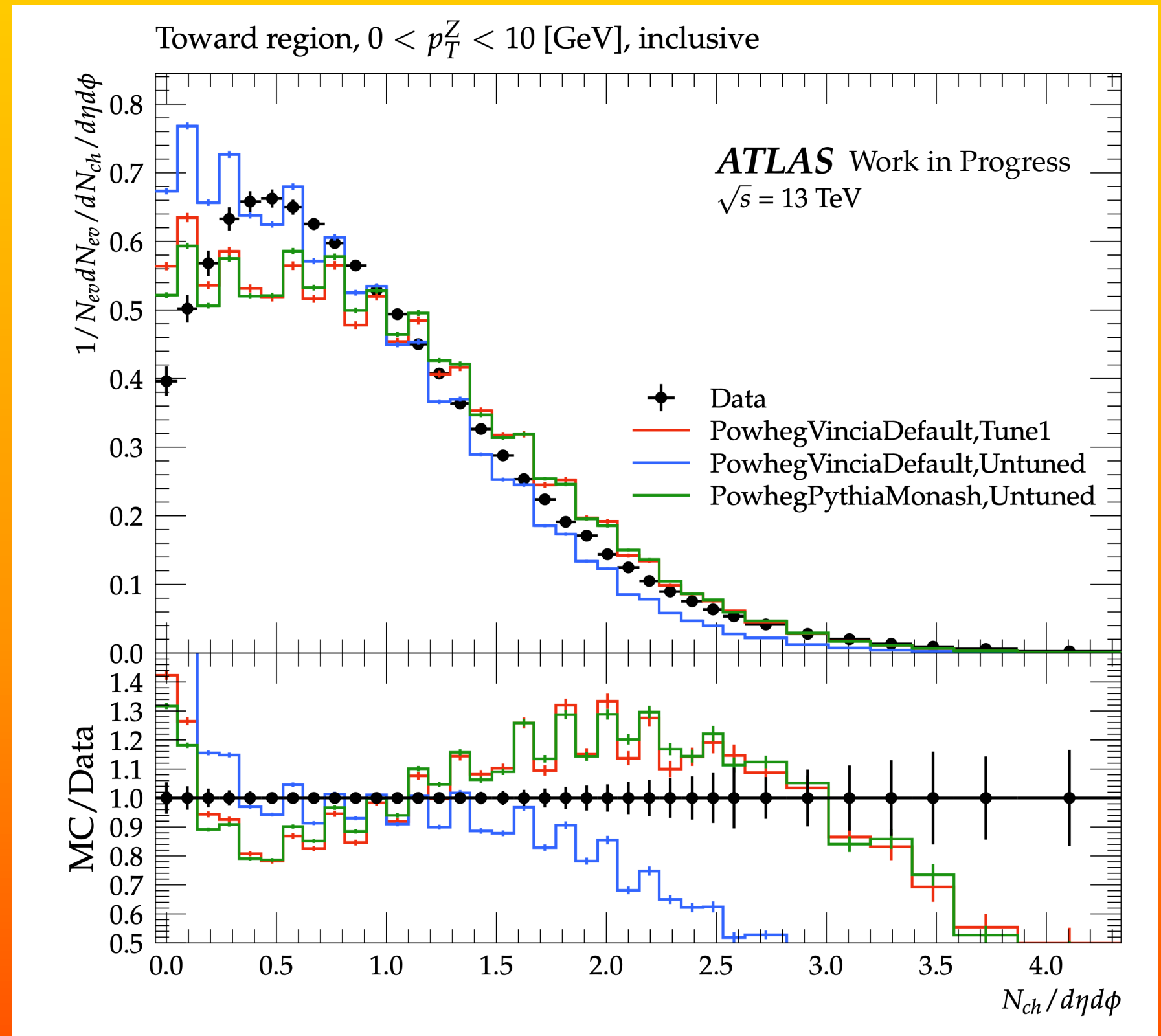
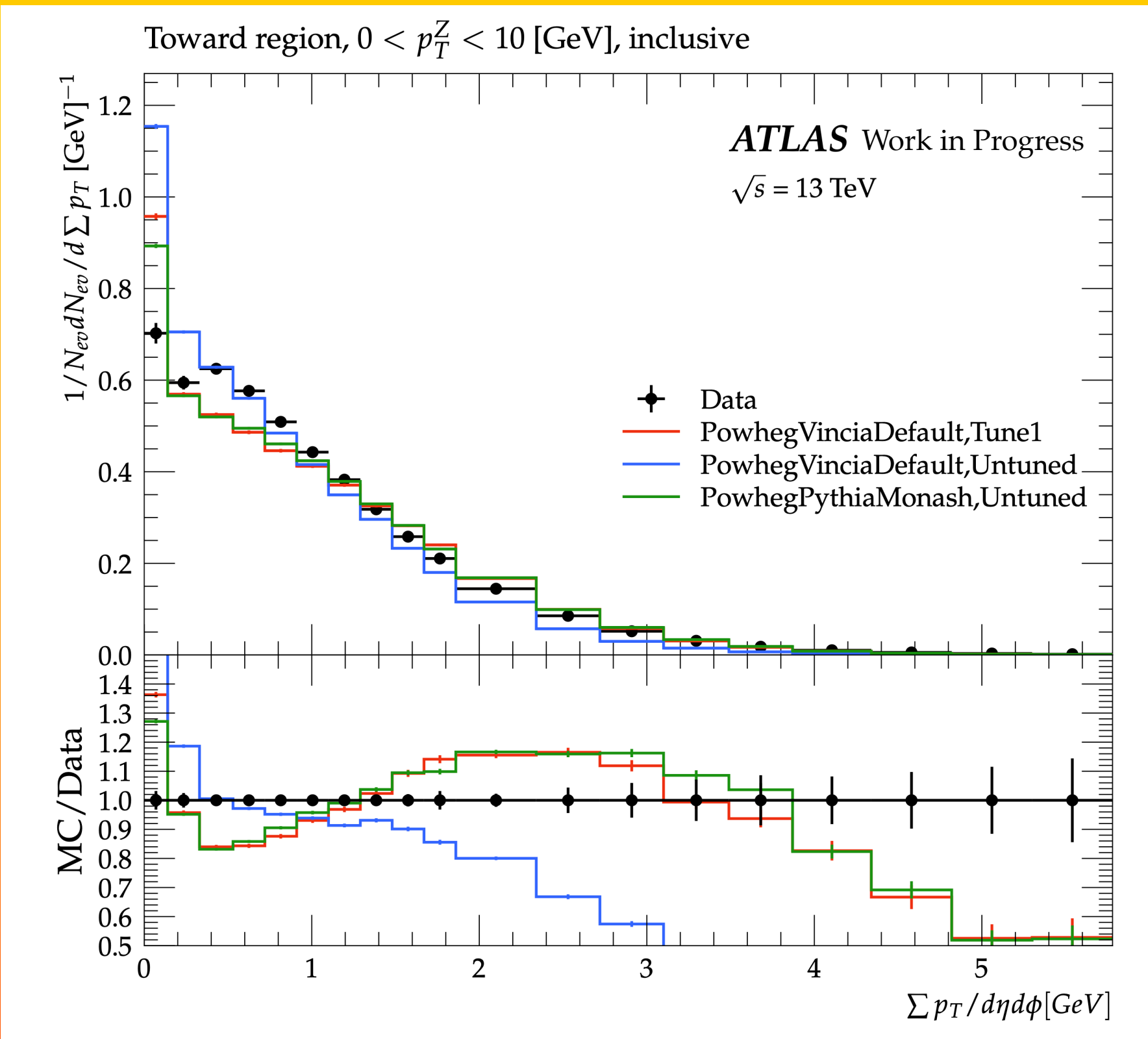


- High χ^2 : systematic variations for uncertainty estimation
- Will be done for the closest tune

- High correlation between:
 - coreFraction and range
 - pT0ref and range

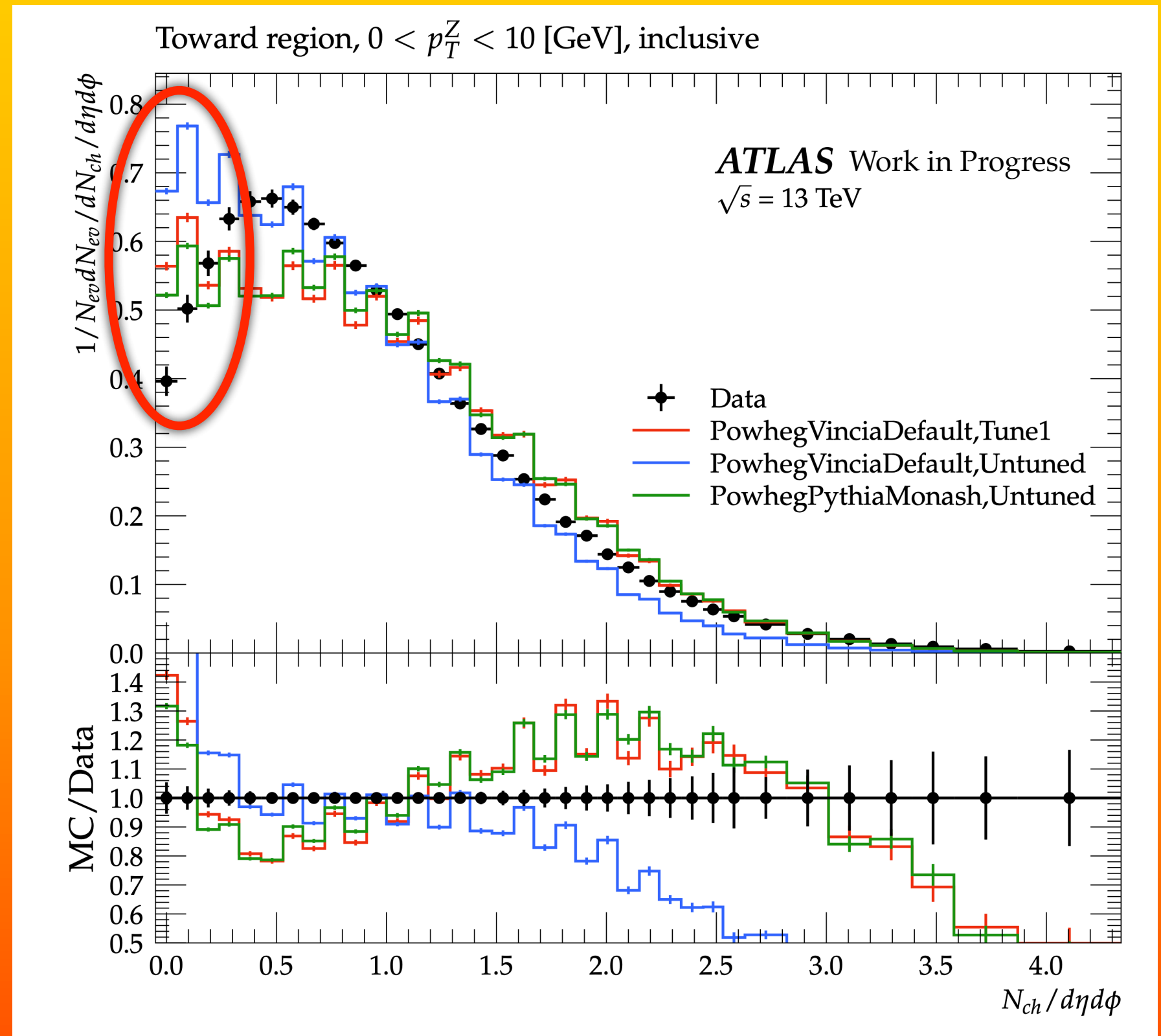
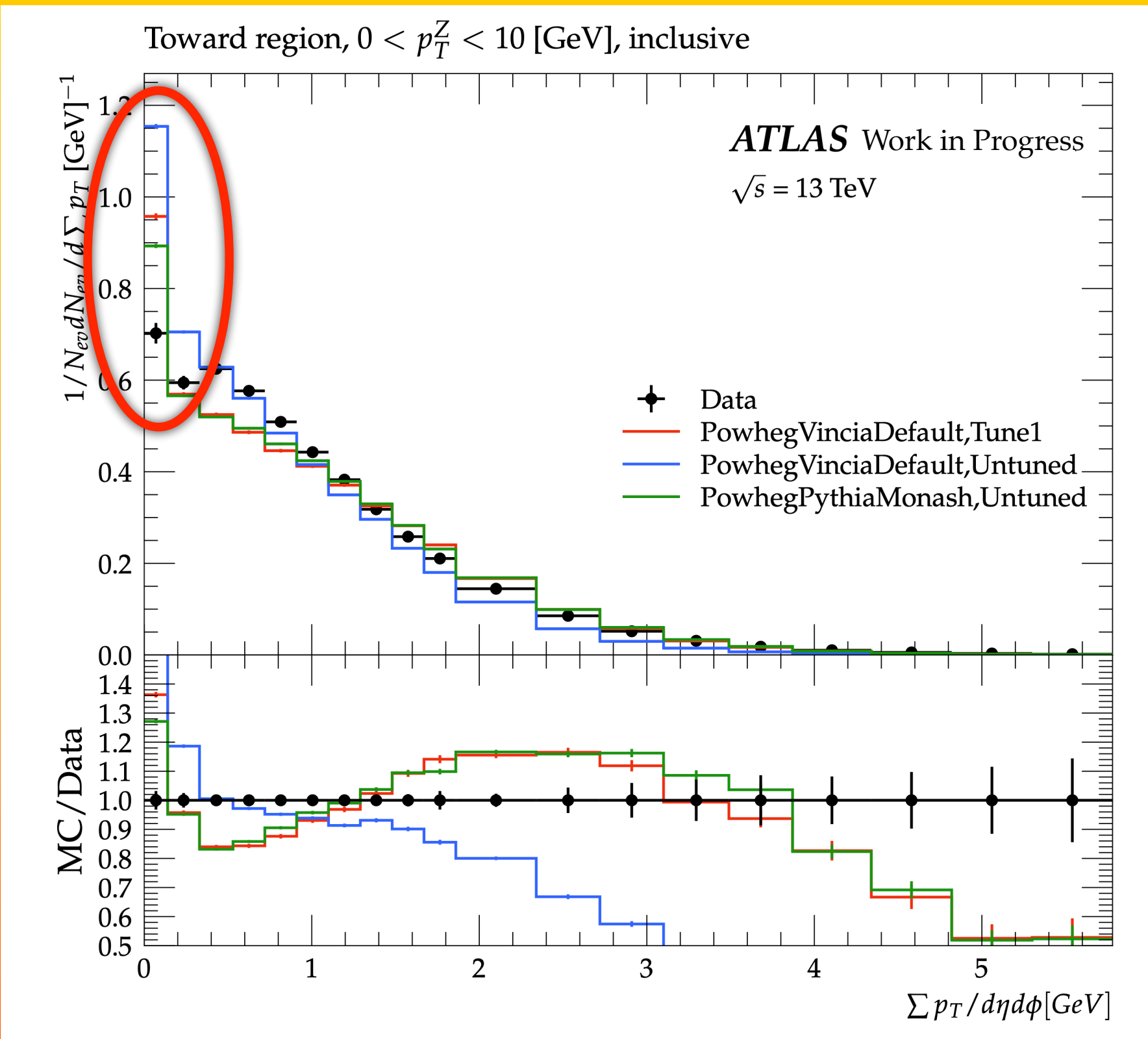
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◆ Subsequent Tunes

■ Parameters: `pT0ref`, `coreRadius`, `coreFraction`, `range`, and `mpi_alphaS`

Low Thrust in Transmin+Toward

PYTHIA 8 Parameter	Value
<code>MPI:pT0ref</code>	2.025
<code>MPI:coreRadius</code>	0.638
<code>MPI:coreFraction</code>	0.419
<code>ColourReconnection:Range</code>	2.134
<code>MPI:alphaS</code>	0.119

$$\chi^2/N_{\text{dof}} \approx 2.97$$

Low Thrust in Transmin+Toward
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PYTHIA 8 Parameter	Value
<code>MPI:pT0ref</code>	2.003
<code>MPI:coreRadius</code>	0.677
<code>MPI:coreFraction</code>	0.400
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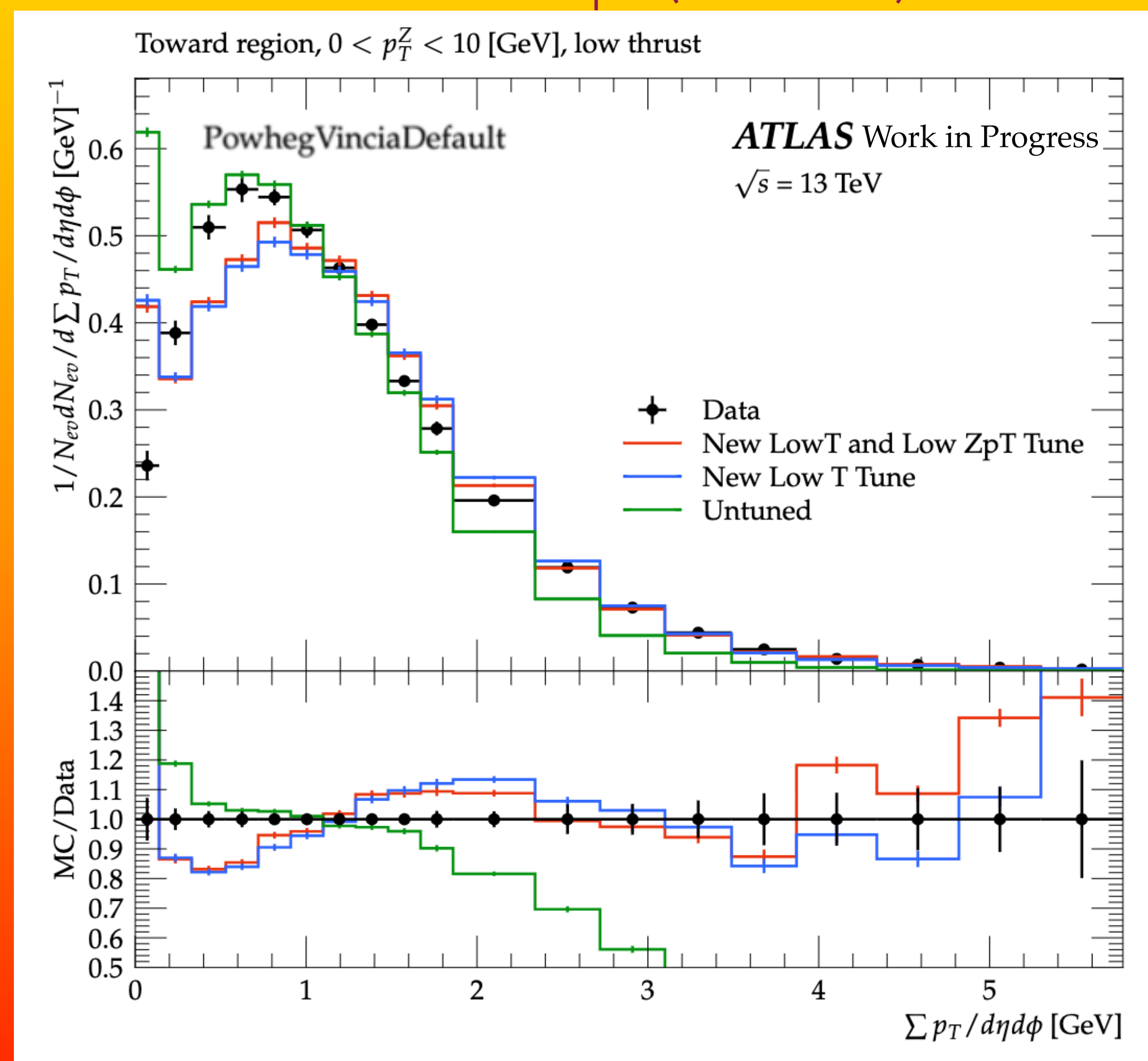
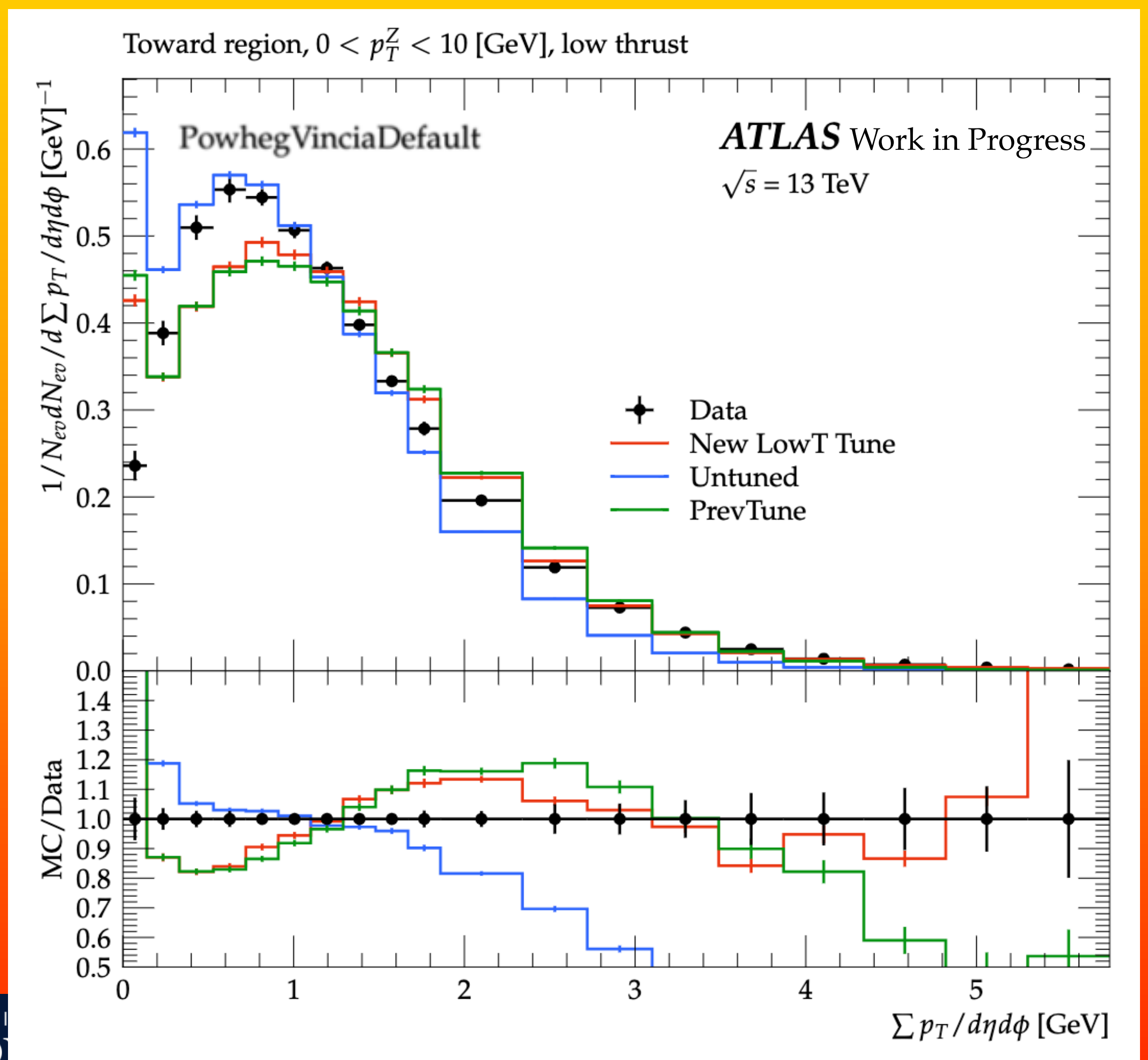
$$\chi^2/N_{\text{dof}} \approx 4.23$$

◆ Subsequent Tunes

Parameters: p_{T0ref} , coreRadius, coreFraction, range, and mpi_alphaS

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◆ Subsequent Tunes 2: Polynomial Order Change

- **Parameters:** pT0ref, coreRadius, coreFraction, range, and mpi_alphaS
- Order 2 polynomials used during interpolation

Low Thrust in Transmin+Toward

PYTHIA 8 Parameter	Value
MPI:pT0ref	2.164
MPI:coreRadius	0.336
MPI:coreFraction	0.301
ColourReconnection:Range	2.297
MPI:alphaS	0.120

$$\chi^2/N_{\text{dof}} \approx 2.79$$

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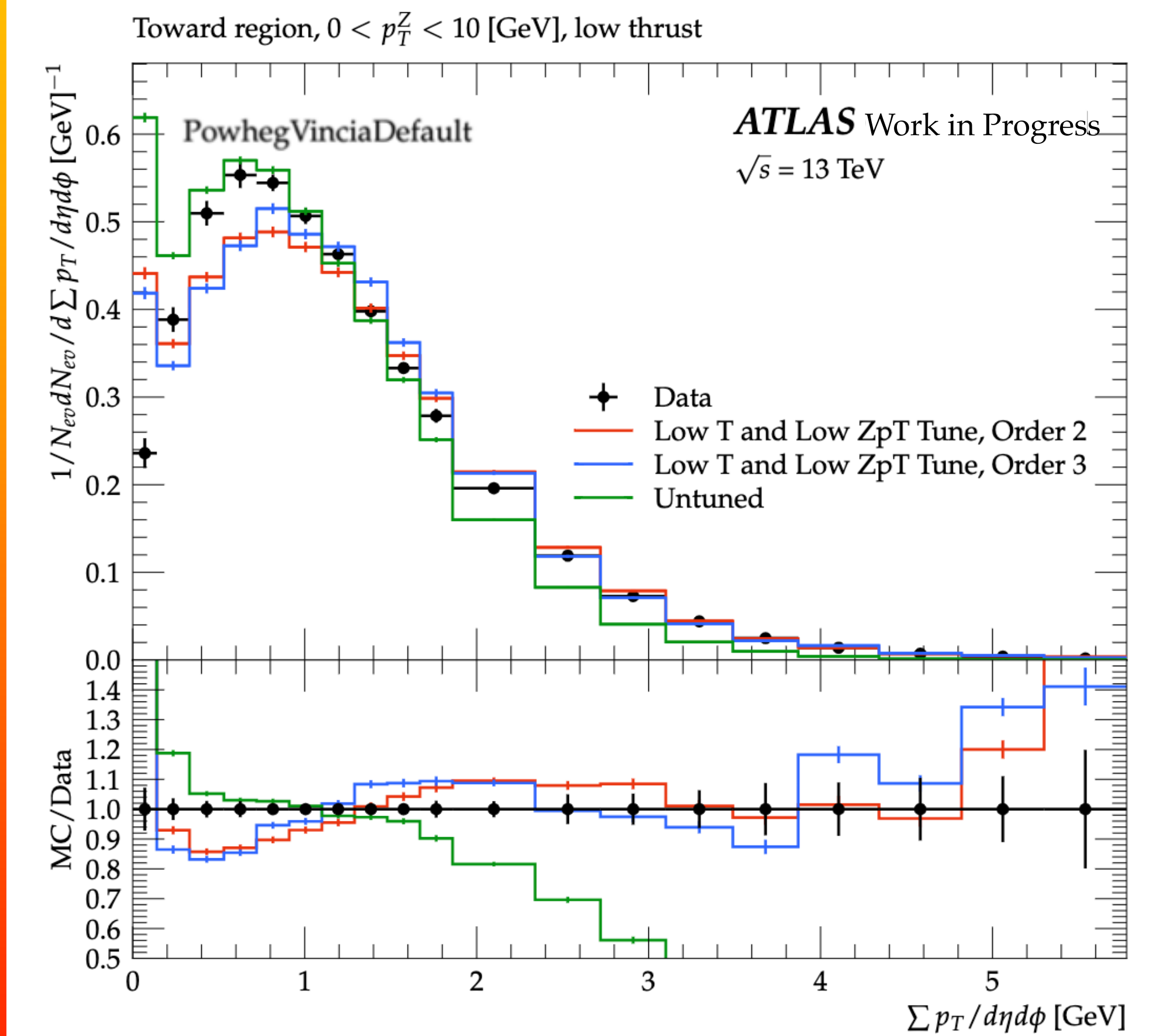
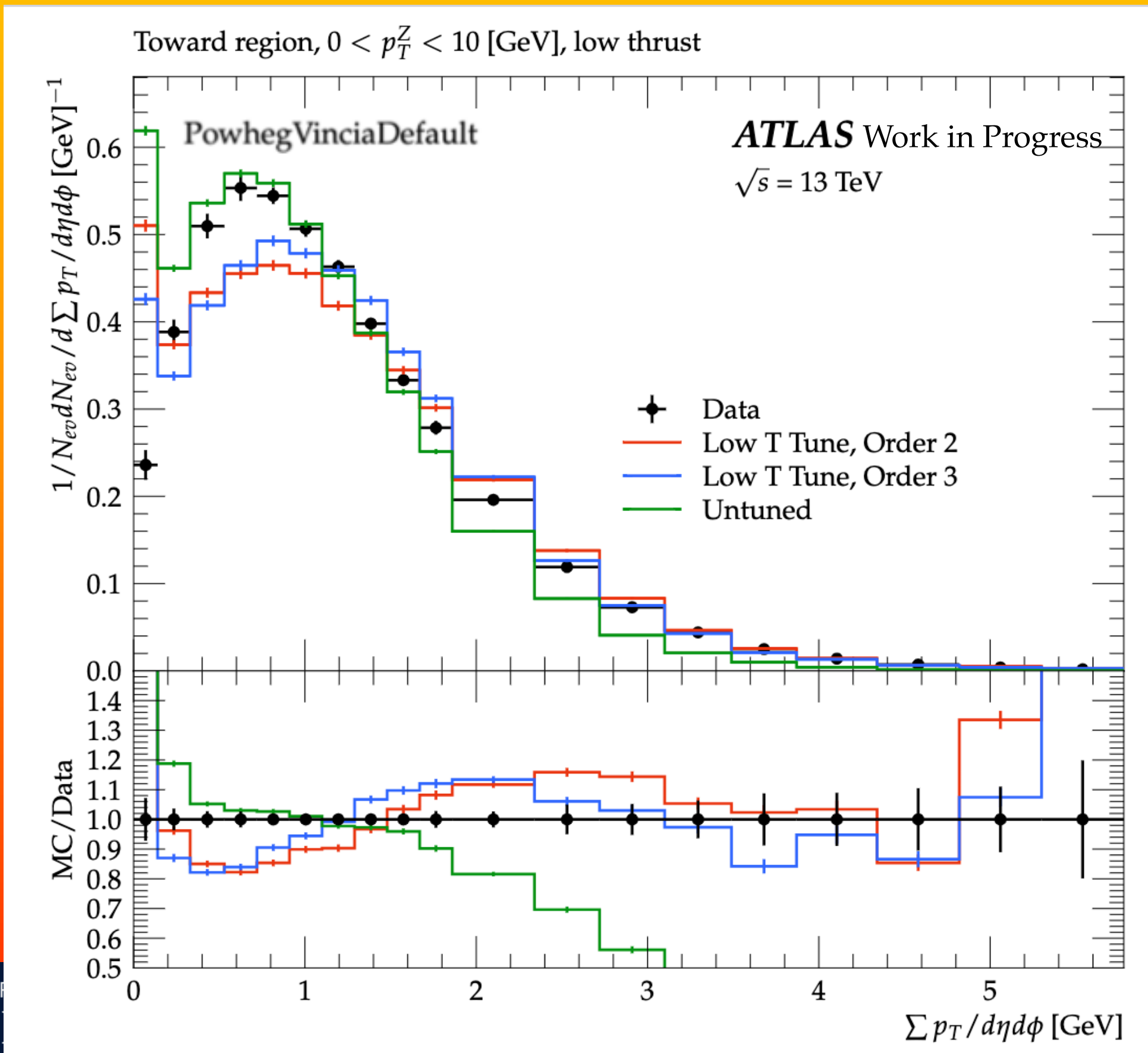
$$\chi^2/N_{\text{dof}} \approx 3.84$$

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◆ Conclusion and Plans

- The first ATLAS dedicated tune for VINCIA
- An initial tune with MPI and colour reconnection parameters, to low-thrust distributions:

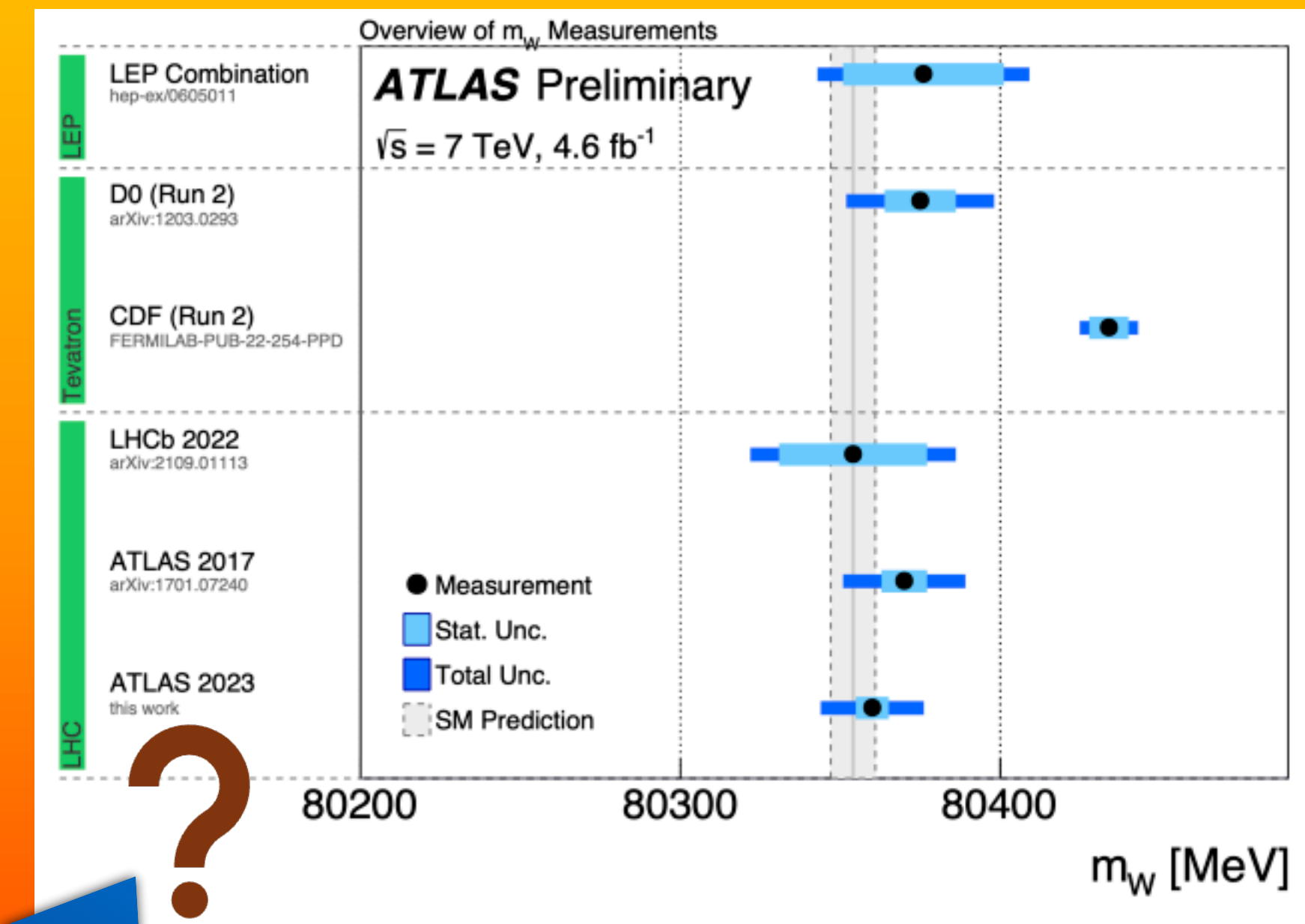
$$\chi^2/N_{\text{dof}} \approx 3.3$$

- Best: Order 2, low T in transmin+toward, $\chi^2/N_{\text{dof}} \approx 2.79$

- Tuned, untuned VINCIA; and PYTHIA samples overpredict the number of events with low $\sum p_T$ and N_{ch} → will be investigated.

○ Next Steps:

- Obtain a tune with better χ^2 → for NLO samples, focus on a smaller p_T^Z range with correct parameters
- Extend to include more distributions → higher order calculations:
 - ▶ MiNNLO+VINCIA and MiNNLO+PYTHIA samples will be studied

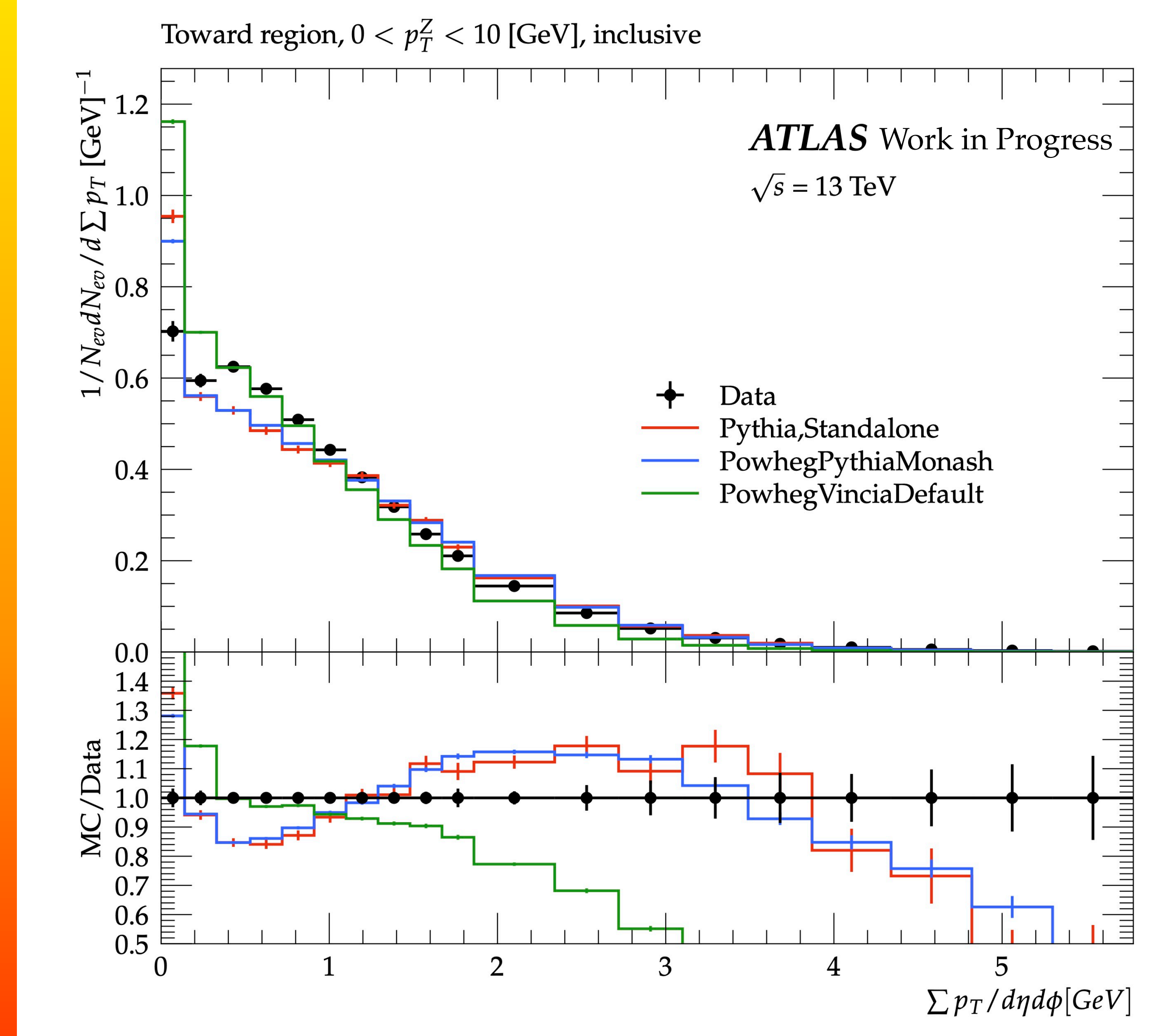
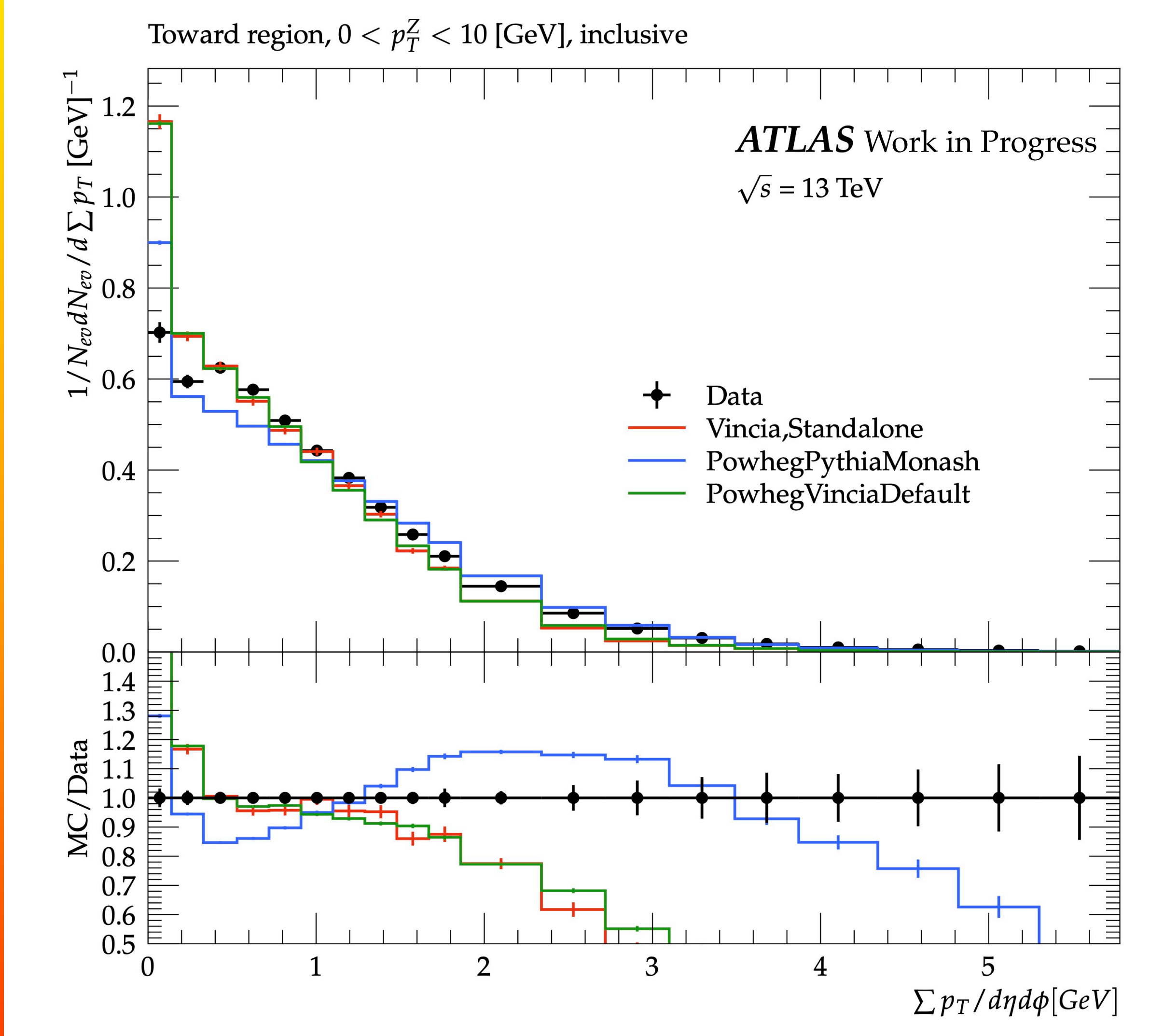


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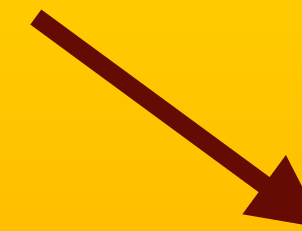
◆ Investigation: Standalone PYTHIA and VINCIA

● ME from Pythia 8



◆ Employed PYTHIA Parameters

- MultipartonInteractions:pT0Ref → transition between hard and soft interactions, $p_{T0ref} \downarrow$ MPI \uparrow
- MultipartonInteractions:bProfile → impact parameter profile of the incoming protons
 - Default: Convolution of the form $exp(-b^{expPow})$ → MultipartonInteractions:expPow
 - Alternative: Double Gaussian impact parameter profiles



MultipartonInteractions:coreFraction

MultipartonInteractions:coreRadius

Fraction of proton content in the inner core

Inner core radius

- ColourReconnection:range → enters the probability of an MPI system to be merged with a harder one
range \uparrow more colour reconnections

- BeamRemnants:primordialKTsoft and BeamRemnants:primordialKThard → intrinsic k_T in the soft and high interaction limits

- Vincia:alphaSvalue → shower α_s for initial and final state

◆ Trial Tune with Professor

- **Parameters:** pT0ref, expPow, range
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expPow \approx 1.96



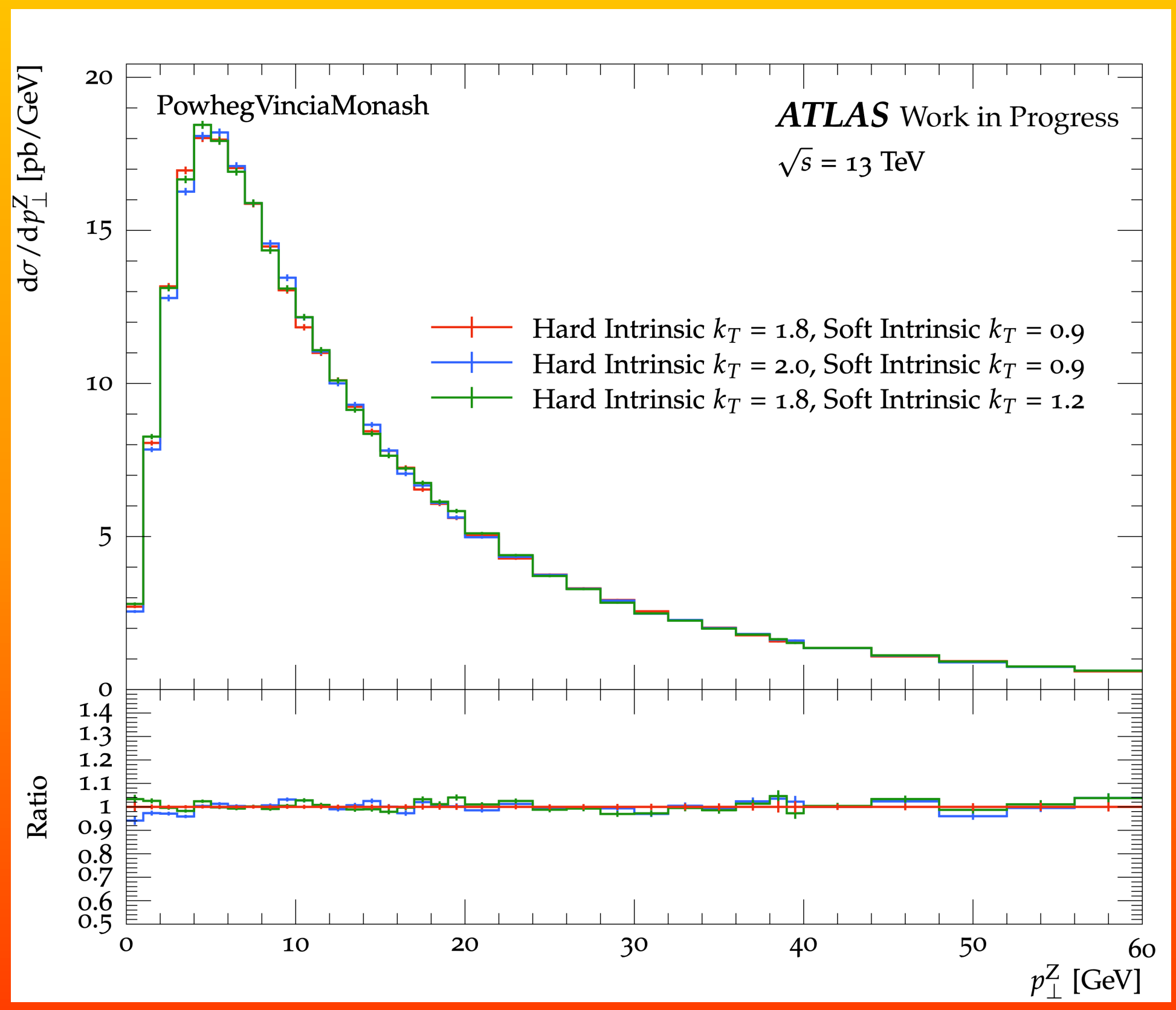
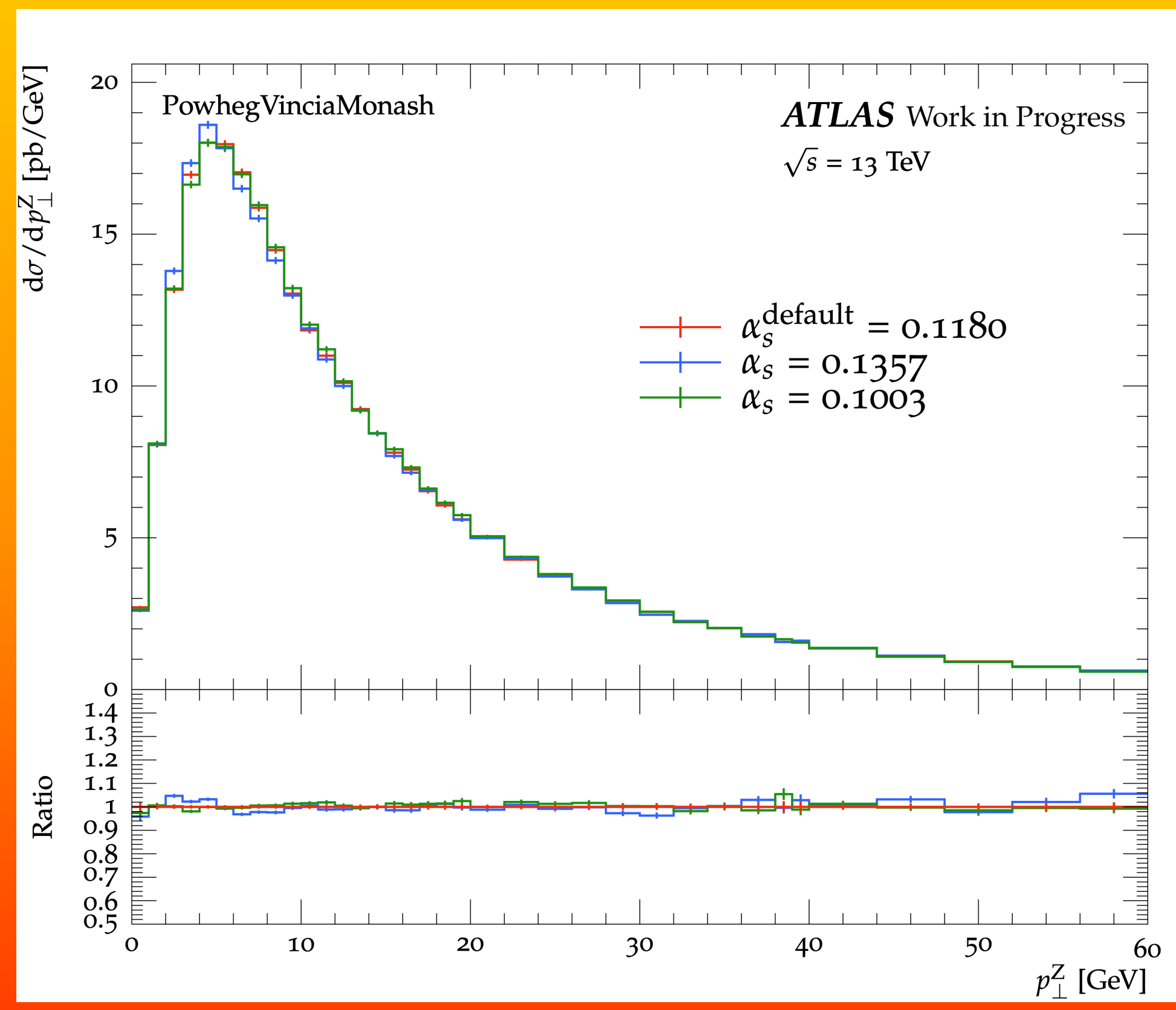
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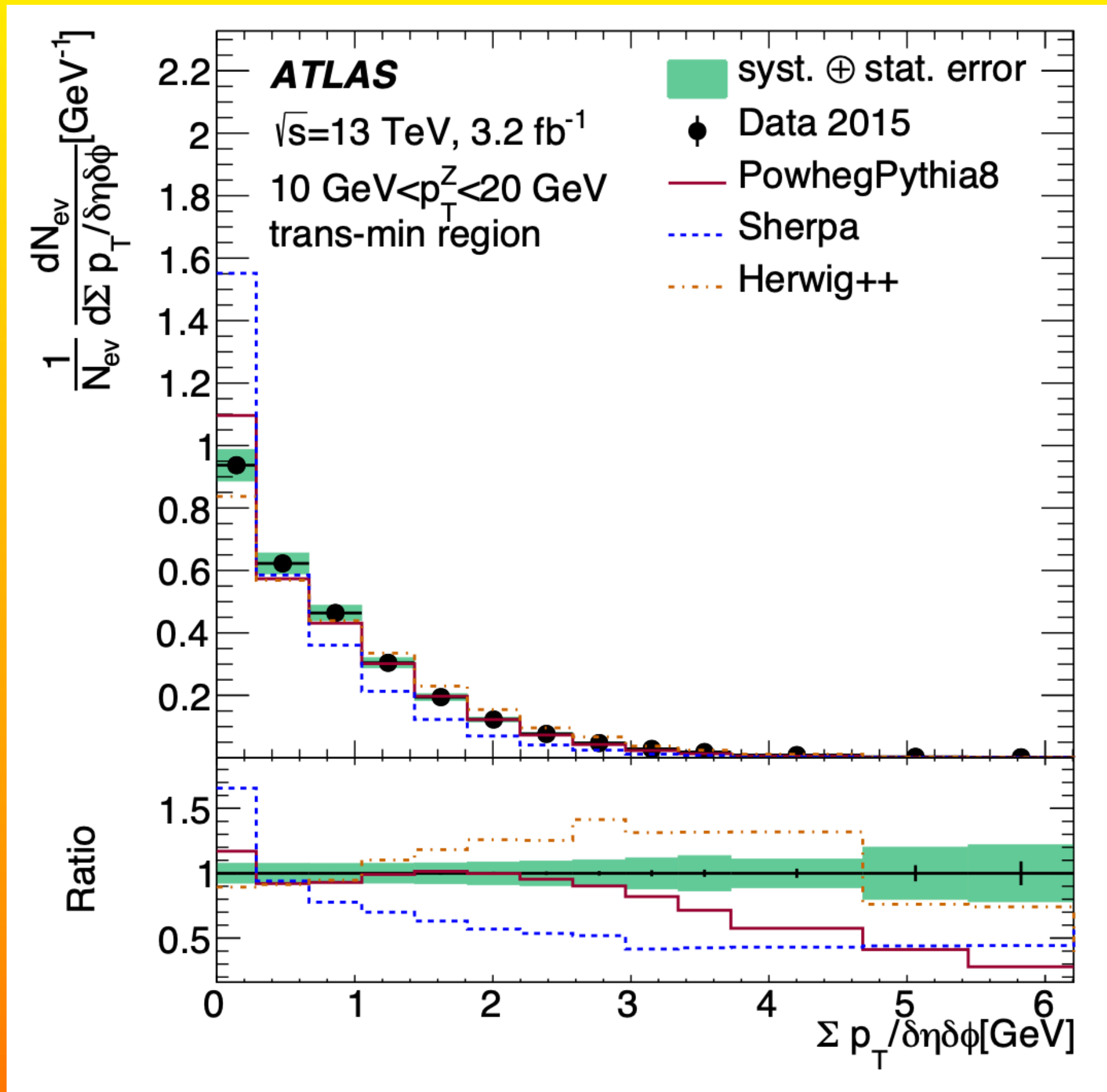
◆ Modelling of p_T^Z

- Matrix element at **NLO** accuracy → reweighting p_T^Z distribution to that used in m_W analysis
- Test of robustness of the tune → shower α_s + hard and soft intrinsic k_T → **Control the radiation spectrum**



Sensitivities:





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