

# *MC-TESTER and TAUOLA Interface Update*

<http://mc-tester.web.cern.ch/MC-TESTER>

<http://www.ph.unimelb.edu.au/~ndavidson/tauola/doxygen/index.html>

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# *MC-Tester (Reminder)*

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- The tool allows semi-automated **comparisons of decays** of particles or resonances between Monte-Carlo programs.
- Very useful for the **validation** of monte-carlo from eg. TAUOLA.
  - Compare **different athena releases**.
  - Compare **stand-alone** version of generator with ATLAS monte-carlo.
  - Can compare **different generators**.
- Works for a variety of generators:
  - Can be **Fortran** or **C++**
  - Events types: **HEPEVT**, **LUJETS**, **PYJETS** and **HepMC**
  - For **any particle** ( tau, B, Z, W, H..)
- Written by P. Golonka, T. Pierzchala, Z. Was
  - Version 1.1 documented in Comput. Phys. Commun. In 2004
- Extended last year to **HepMC**.

# Example Output - Title Page (Reminder)

MC-TESTER results for decays of particle  $\tau^-$   
(PDG code 15).

Particle decays being tested

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## Results from generator 1.

Pythia 8.1 demo; e-e at 92GeV,  $Z^0$  single production  
 $Z^0$  decay to  $\tau^\pm$  exclusively.  
No  $\pi$  decays.

Description as set by user for  
generator #1

- From directory:  
`/afs/cern.ch/user/n/ndavidso/MC-TESTER-1.2/examples-C++/pythia`
- Total number of analyzed decays: 1000008
- Number of decay channels found: 45 + 25

Number of channels found  
(channel in common for #1 and #2  
+ channels unique in #1)

## Results from generator 2.

Pythia 6.4.14 demo; e-e at 92GeV,  $Z^0$  single production  
 $Z^0$  decay to  $\tau^\pm$  exclusively. No  $\pi$  decays.  
Multi-body tau decay switched on.

Total decays found in MC sample

- From directory:  
`/afs/cern.ch/user/n/ndavidso/MC-TESTER-1.2/examples-F77/pythia`
- Code version (from version file): PYTHIA 6.4.14
- Total number of analyzed decays: 1000000
- Number of decay channels found: 45 + 17

User Analysis: MCTest01

Algorithm used for shape  
difference calculation

# Example Output - Channel List (Reminder)

- usually a few pages long

Found decay modes:

Decay channel	Branching Ratio $\pm$ Rough Errors		Max. shape
	Generator #1	Generator #2	dif. param.
$\tau^- \rightarrow v_\tau \pi^0 \pi^-$	25.2303 $\pm$ 0.0159%	25.3085 $\pm$ 0.0159%	0.04375
$\tau^- \rightarrow e^- \bar{v}_e v_\tau$	17.8479 $\pm$ 0.0134%	18.1093 $\pm$ 0.0135%	0.00000
$\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- \bar{v}_\mu v_\tau$	17.3866 $\pm$ 0.0132%	17.6326 $\pm$ 0.0133%	0.00000
$\tau^- \rightarrow v_\tau \pi^-$	11.0768 $\pm$ 0.0105%	11.1765 $\pm$ 0.0106%	0.00000
$\tau^- \rightarrow v_\tau \pi^0 \pi^0 \pi^-$	9.1865 $\pm$ 0.0096%	9.1171 $\pm$ 0.0095%	0.09413
$\tau^- \rightarrow v_\tau \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^-$	8.9837 $\pm$ 0.0095%	8.8828 $\pm$ 0.0094%	0.09368
$\tau^- \rightarrow v_\tau \pi^0 \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^-$	4.2973 $\pm$ 0.0066%	4.5319 $\pm$ 0.0067%	0.00910
$\tau^- \rightarrow v_\tau \pi^0 \pi^0 \pi^0 \pi^-$	1.0765 $\pm$ 0.0033%	1.0090 $\pm$ 0.0032%	0.00724
$\tau^- \rightarrow v_\tau K^-$	0.7202 $\pm$ 0.0027%	0.7138 $\pm$ 0.0027%	0.00000
$\tau^- \rightarrow v_\tau \pi^0 \pi^0 \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^-$	0.4990 $\pm$ 0.0022%	0.0897 $\pm$ 0.0009%	0.00000
$\tau^- \rightarrow v_\tau \pi^0 K^-$	0.4785 $\pm$ 0.0022%	0.4617 $\pm$ 0.0021%	0.00000
$\tau^- \rightarrow v_\tau K_L^0 \pi^-$	0.4624 $\pm$ 0.0022%	0.4444 $\pm$ 0.0021%	0.00000
$\tau^- \rightarrow v_\tau \pi^- K_S^0$	0.4610 $\pm$ 0.0021%	0.4449 $\pm$ 0.0021%	0.00000
$\tau^- \rightarrow v_\tau \pi^+ \pi^- K^-$	0.3902 $\pm$ 0.0020%	0.5051 $\pm$ 0.0022%	0.52330
$\tau^- \rightarrow v_\tau \pi^0 \pi^- \eta$	0.1707 $\pm$ 0.0013%	0.1696 $\pm$ 0.0013%	0.00000
$\tau^- \rightarrow v_\tau \pi^- K^+ K^-$	0.1704 $\pm$ 0.0013%	0.1509 $\pm$ 0.0012%	0.07360
$\tau^- \rightarrow v_\tau \pi^0 K_L^0 \pi^-$	0.1605 $\pm$ 0.0013%	0.2745 $\pm$ 0.0017%	0.92850
$\tau^- \rightarrow v_\tau \pi^0 \pi^- K_S^0$	0.1592 $\pm$ 0.0013%	0.2734 $\pm$ 0.0017%	0.93657
$\tau^- \rightarrow v_\tau \gamma \pi^0 \pi^-$	0.1559 $\pm$ 0.0012%	0.1303 $\pm$ 0.0011%	0.00000
$\tau^- \rightarrow v_\tau K_L^0 \pi^- K_S^0$	0.1510 $\pm$ 0.0012%	0.0763 $\pm$ 0.0009%	0.00270
$\tau^- \rightarrow v_\tau K_L^0 K^-$	0.1289 $\pm$ 0.0011%	0.0508 $\pm$ 0.0007%	0.00000
$\tau^- \rightarrow v_\tau K_S^0 K^-$	0.1287 $\pm$ 0.0011%	0.0507 $\pm$ 0.0007%	0.00000
$\tau^- \rightarrow v_\tau \pi^0 \pi^0 \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^-$	0.1094 $\pm$ 0.0010%	0.0506 $\pm$ 0.0007%	0.00000
$\tau^- \rightarrow v_\tau \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^- \pi^- \pi^-$	0.0803 $\pm$ 0.0009%	0.0401 $\pm$ 0.0006%	0.00000
$\tau^- \rightarrow v_\tau \pi^0 \pi^0 K^-$	0.0792 $\pm$ 0.0009%	0.0504 $\pm$ 0.0007%	0.29190
$\tau^- \rightarrow v_\tau K_L^0 K_L^0 \pi^-$	0.0760 $\pm$ 0.0009%	0.0372 $\pm$ 0.0006%	0.00854
$\tau^- \rightarrow v_\tau \pi^- K_S^0 K_S^0$	0.0756 $\pm$ 0.0009%	0.0378 $\pm$ 0.0006%	0.01189
$\tau^- \rightarrow v_\tau \pi^0 K_F^0 K^-$	0.0507 $\pm$ 0.0007%	0.0763 $\pm$ 0.0009%	0.85321
$\tau^- \rightarrow v_\tau \pi^0 K_S^0 K^-$	0.0498 $\pm$ 0.0007%	0.0746 $\pm$ 0.0009%	0.87506
$\tau^- \rightarrow v_\tau \pi^0 \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^- \pi^-$	0.0186 $\pm$ 0.0004%	0.0293 $\pm$ 0.0005%	0.00000

Similarity coefficients: T1=1.881148 , T2=4.510389

Decay channel

Branching ratio for generator #1  
and #2

Rough statistical errors of  
branching ratios

Maximal “Shape Difference  
Parameter”

Similarity Coefficients  
(combined: for all decay modes)

# Example Output - Histogram of Invariant Mass

- 100s of these histograms are produced

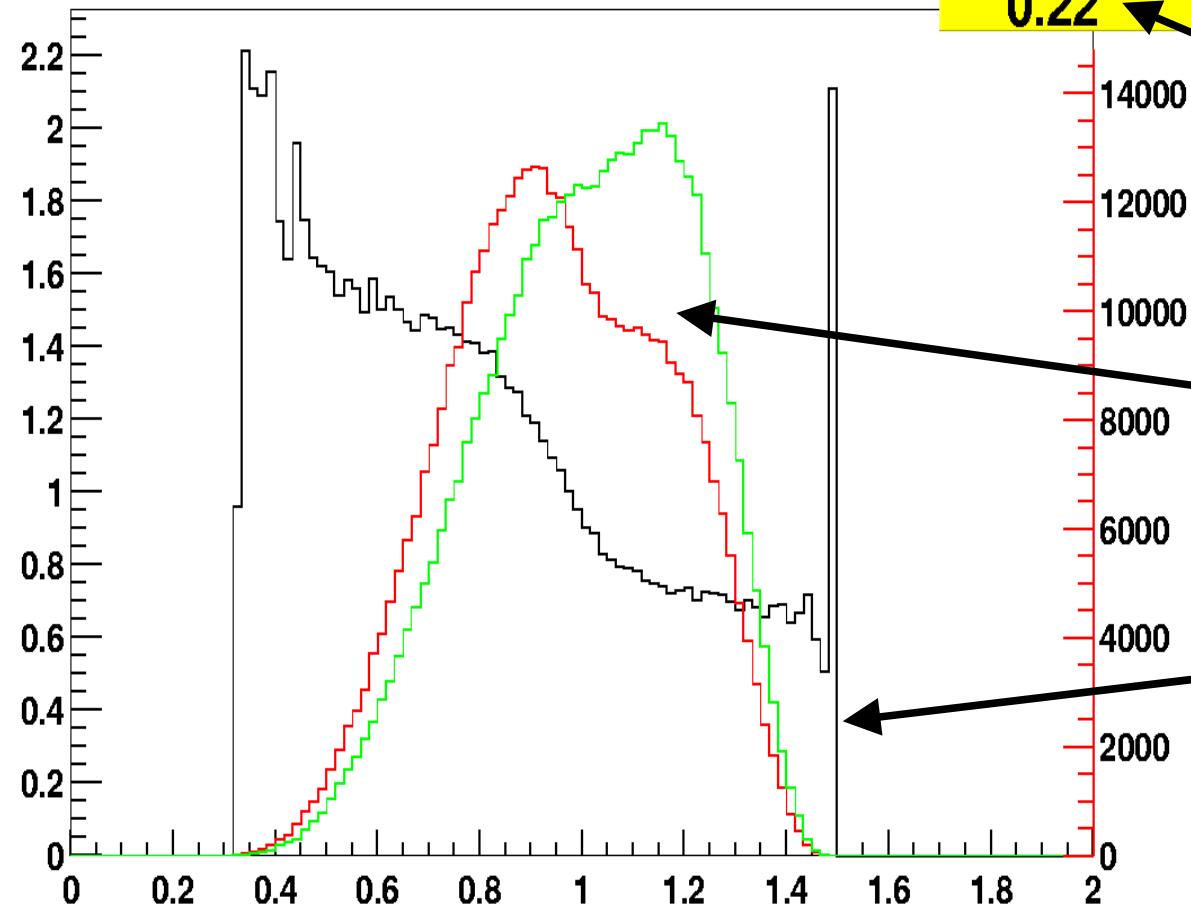
This shows the invariant mass of

$\nu_{\tau} \pi^- \pi^-$  in mode  $\tau \rightarrow \nu_{\tau} \pi^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$

Comparison of Mass(1) of  $\nu_{\tau} \pi^- \pi^-$  in channel  $\tau \rightarrow \nu_{\tau} \pi^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$

Shape diff parm:  
**0.22**

Shape Difference  
Parameter value



Histograms of invariant mass from generator #1 and #2

Ratio of the two histograms (after normalisation)

# *What's new since the last tau workshop? (1)*

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- Installed by GENSER on afs at  
`/afs/cern.ch/sw/lcg/external/MCGenerators/mctester`
- Interfaced into **Athena** from release 14.2.0 (MC-TESTER - 1.211)
- Has been used for validation of monte-carlo samples:
  - Zhonghua Qin tested tau decays for **Herwig++**, **Herwig**,  
**Herwig+Tauola+ Photos**, **Pythia**, **Pythia+Tauola+Photos**, and  
**Sherpa**.
    - <http://indico.cern.ch/materialDisplay.py?contribId=23&materialId=slides&confId=36>
  - Aldo Saavedra has begun using MC-TESTER on new tau samples on the grid. Results should be ready soon.

## *What's new since the last tau workshop? (2)*

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- Latest version 1.23.1 (from Athena r15.0.0) has the following new features:
  - Plots of invariant mass squared may be used instead of invariant mass + options for logarithmic scale and normalisation to the mother particles mass.
  - UserTreeAnalysis – ROOT macro which allows:
    - Filtering of the daughter particles. eg. based on energy.
    - Allows tests with IR sensitive quantities (see next slide).
    - Allows the user to define extra plots. eg. pt, eta, phi spectra.
  - Ready for SLC5
  - In athena from release 15.0.0.
- Paper on arXiv: <http://arxiv.org/abs/0812.3215>

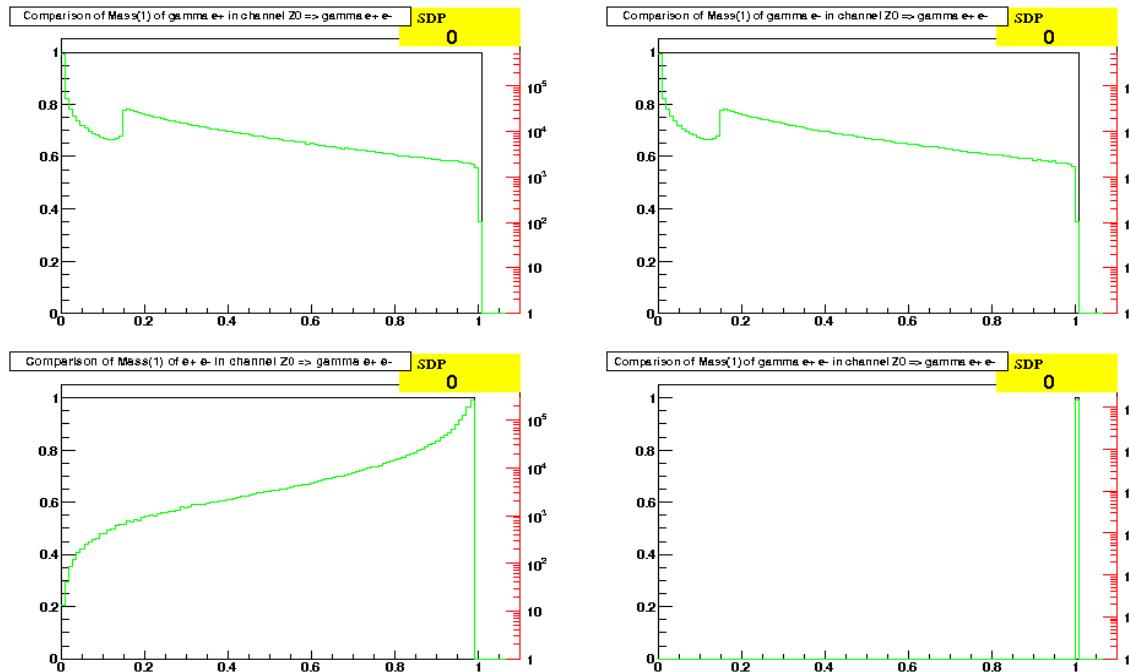
# Example Output with MC-TESTER 1.23.1

- Benchmark distributions for PHOTOS:
  - Photons have  $E > 1$  GeV in Z rest frame.
  - Logarithm scale.

## 1 Decay Channel: $Z^0 \rightarrow \gamma e^+ e^-$

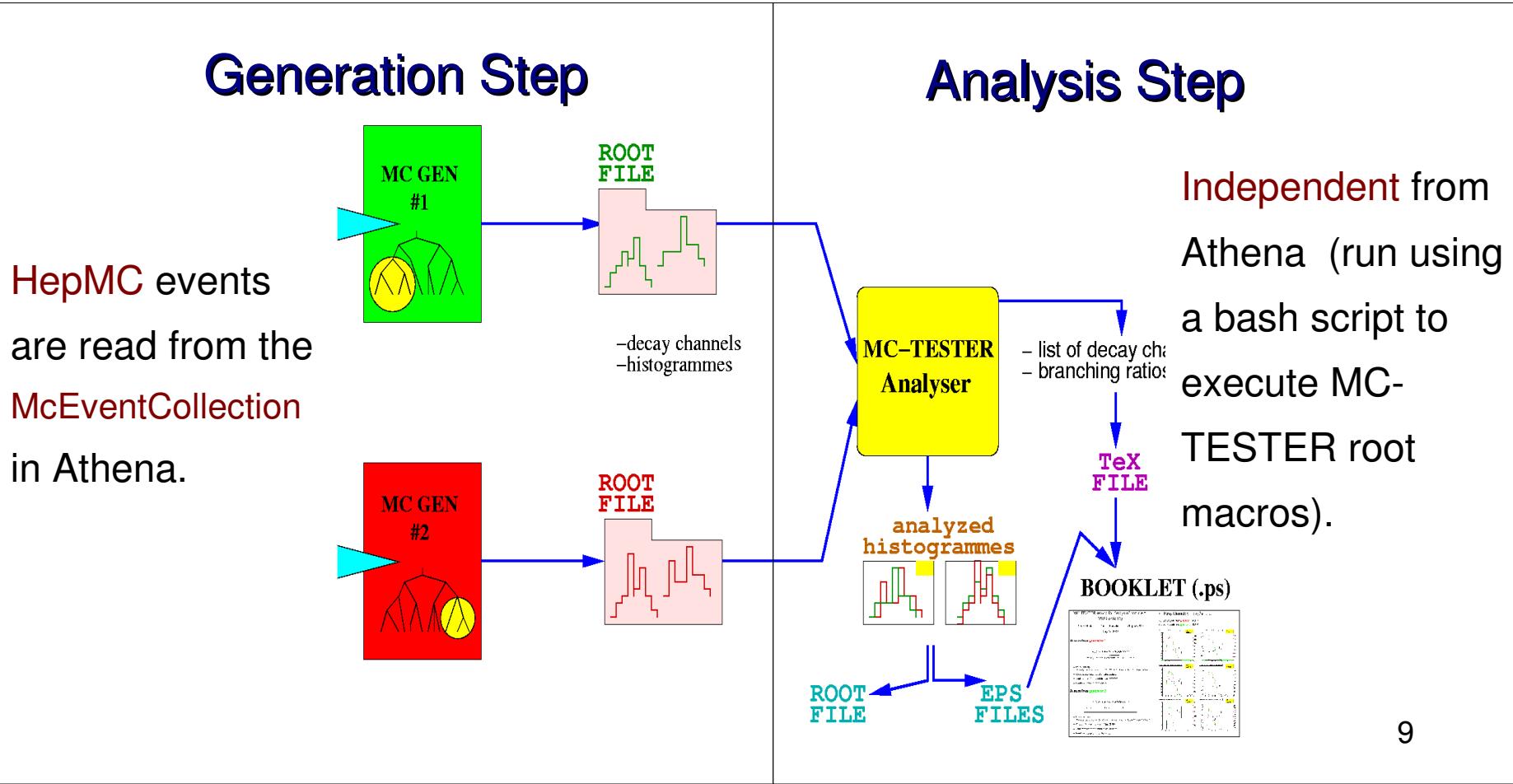
Number of events from generator 1: 1541292

Number of events from generator 2: 1541292



# How to run MC-TESTER in Athena

- MC-Tester is connected as an **external package** to Athena (via packages `Generators/MCTester_i` and `External/MCTester`) .
- Running instructions can be found in `MCTester_i` doxygen mainpage.



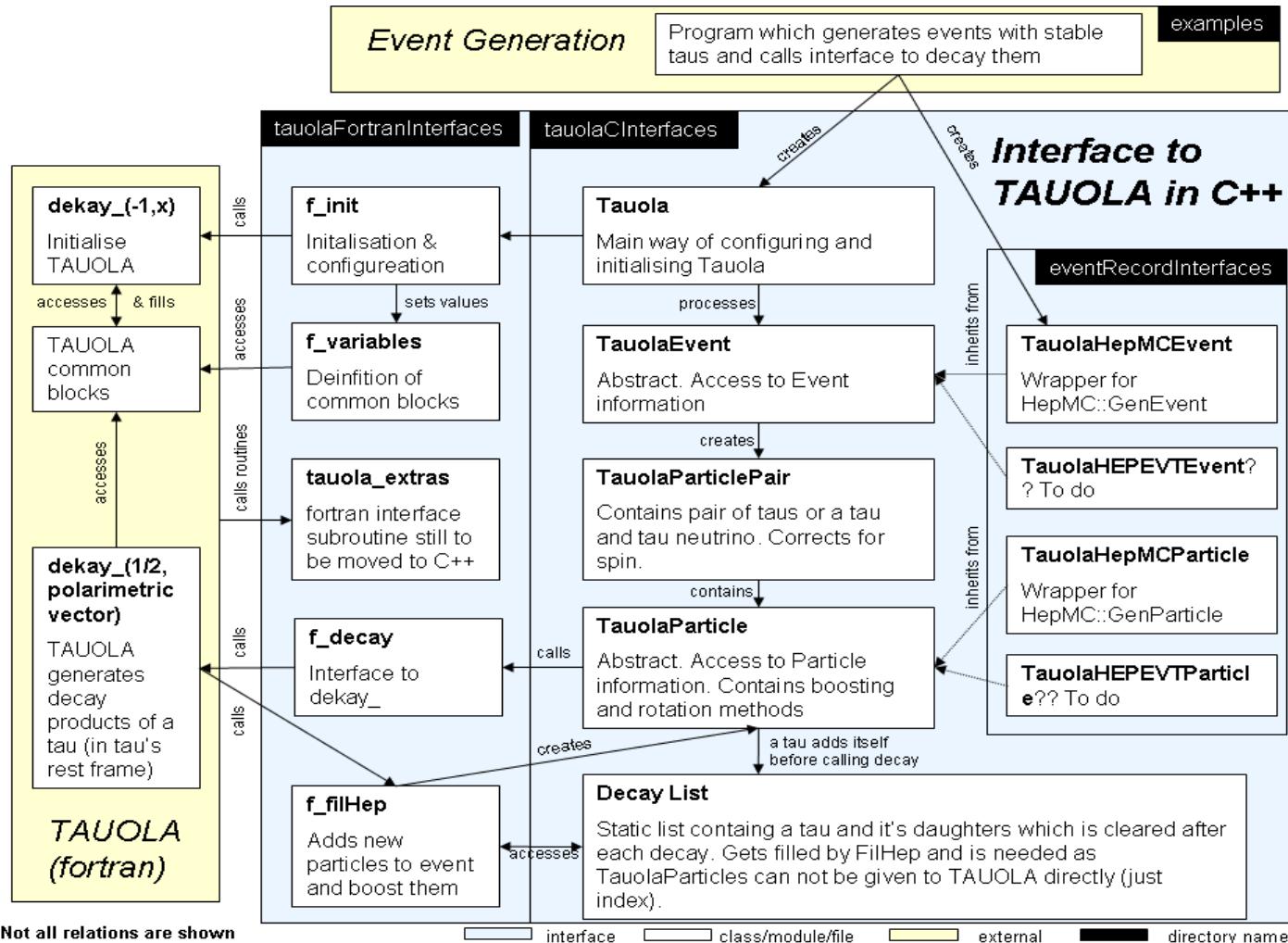
# *TAUOLA Universal Interface*

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- The **TAUOLA Universal Interface** is responsible for:
  - Requesting tau decays from **TAUOLA**.
  - Boosting and writing the decay into **the event record**.
  - Calculating tau **spin states** based on the processes which created the tau.
- Currently written in **FORTRAN** and interfaces with the **HEPEVT** event record common block.
- Efforts have begun to develop a **C++** version which interfaces with **HepMC** (as these are standard for LHC experiments)
  - Nadia Davidson, Tomasz Przedzinski, Elzbieta Richter-Was, Zbigniew Was
- **TAUOLA** will remain in FORTRAN for the moment for compatibility and input from the low energy community.
  - A version compatible with **SLC5** (with gfortran) will be produced by April (in communication with Alberto Ribbon from the LCG group)

# *Info on C++ Interface to TAUOLA*

- Design, doxygen doc. and download from:
    - <http://www.ph.unimelb.edu.au/~ndavidson/tauola/doxygen/index.html>



# *Status of TAUOLA C++ Interface*

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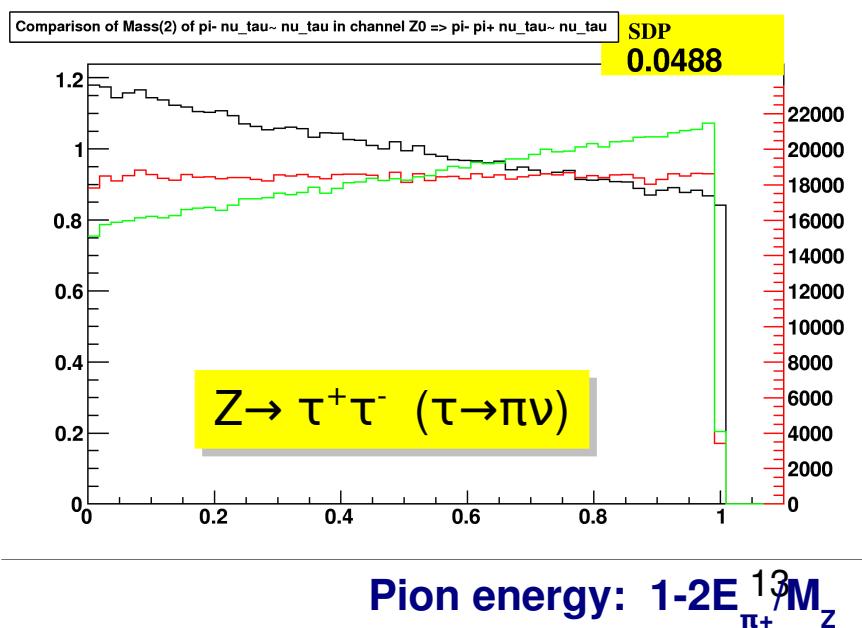
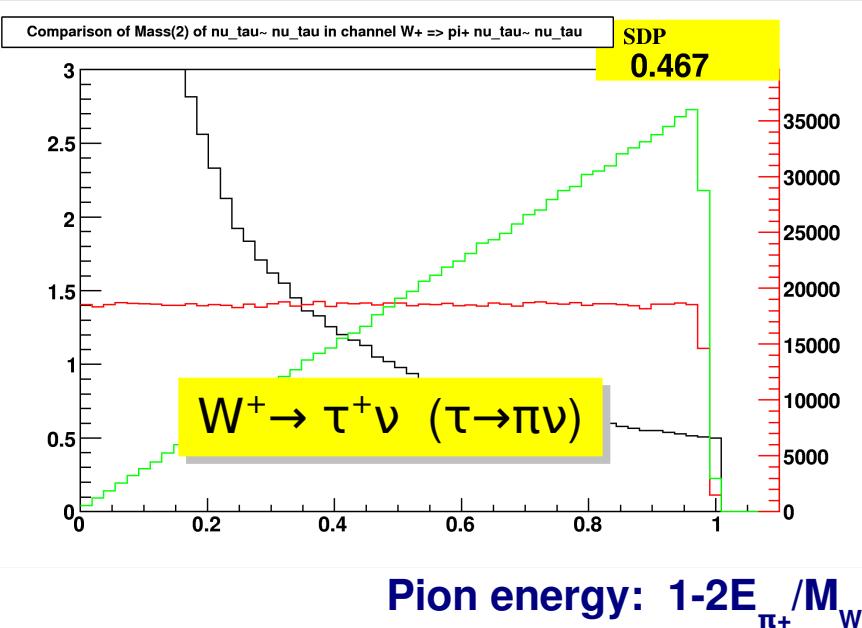
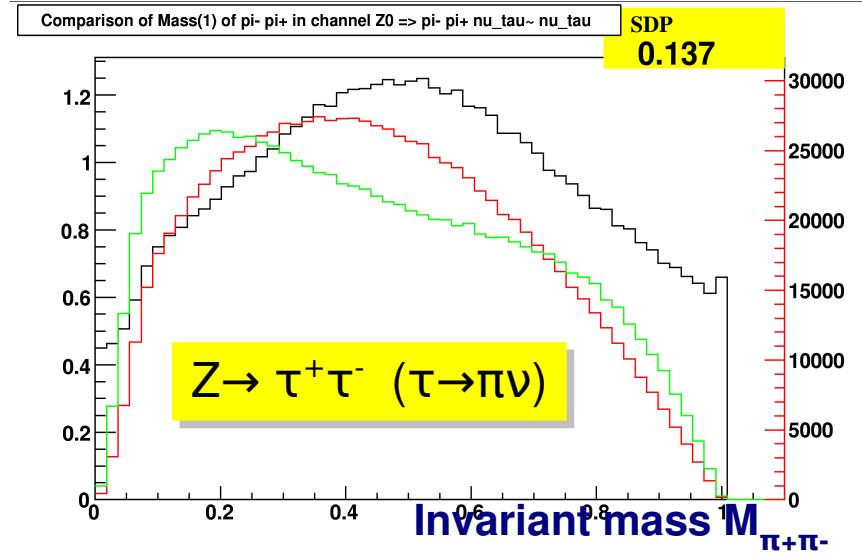
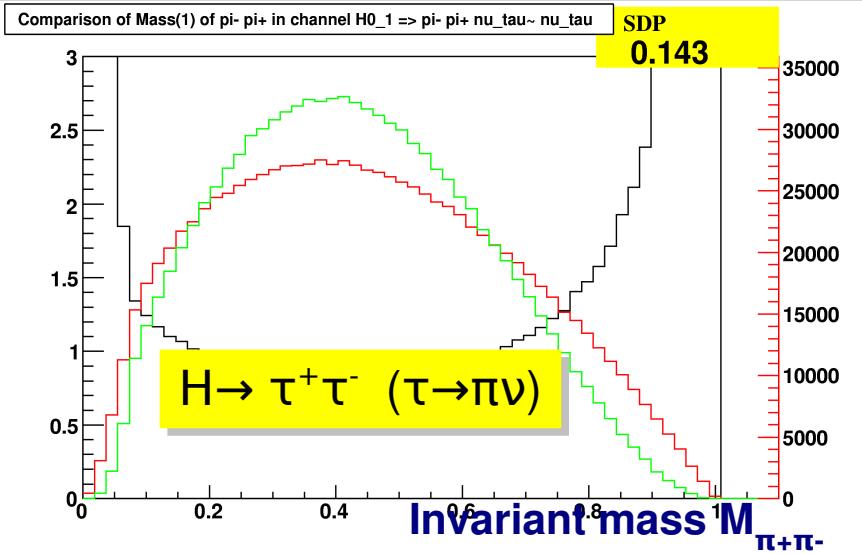
- What has been implemented:
  - Interface to HepMC event record
  - Test environment has been set-up for validation
  - Longitudinal spin correlations for Z,H,W $^{\pm}$ ,H $^{\pm}$  for simple cases only
- What has not been implemented:
  - Complicated cases eg . with more than one mother producing the tau as in e+ e- -> tau+ tau- or extra final state particles. eg. Z -> tau+ tau- gamma.
  - Transverse spin correlations
  - Many components are left in FORTRAN. eg. Z polarisation calculation.
  - Has not been interfaced with PHOTOS
    - Migration of PHOTOS to C++ is the next goal.

# Spin observables with new interface

red - spin ignored

green – spin on

black- ratio of spin on/off



# *Summary/Conclusions*

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- MC-TESTER is a validation tool which allows comparisons of decays from Monte-Carlo generators, for HepMC and HEPEVT, (complementary to existing tools)
  - It has been in Athena since r14.2.0 and being used for validation.
- The TAUOLA Universal Interface is being rewritten in C++
  - Allows TAUOLA to be run directly on HepMC events. (without conversion to HEPEVT)
  - Simple spin correlations have be implemented
  - More complicated cases still need to be added
  - Work on PHOTOS has started with production of benchmark plots.

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# Extra Slides

# *MC-TESTER Configurables:*

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- Configured by:
  - ROOT/C++ macro file **SETUP.C** (interpreted at runtime) or
  - Using “Setup” Class in Monte-Carlo generator code
- Some important configurables:
  - Event Record type
  - Decay particle PDG code
  - Particles considered “stable” (eg. pi0)
  - Histogram binning
  - MC Description on booklet title page
  - Algorithm to calculate shape difference
    - MCTest01 (exclusive surface)
    - MCTest02 (Non-uniformity of Histograms ratio)
    - MCTest03 (Kolmogorov compatibility)
    - User Defined

# *List of References*

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- MC-TESTER Documentation:
  - Website: <http://mc-tester.web.cern.ch/MC-TESTER>
  - P.Golonka, T.Pierzchala, and Z.Was, Comput. Phys. Commun. 157(2004)1, pp 39-62 doi:  
[http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/S0010-4655\(03\)00466-1](http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/S0010-4655(03)00466-1)
  - Doxygen:  
[http://mc-tester.web.cern.ch/MC-TESTER/doxygen\\_html/index.html](http://mc-tester.web.cern.ch/MC-TESTER/doxygen_html/index.html)
  - Savannah Bug Tracking:  
<https://savannah.cern.ch/projects/mc-tester/>

# *MC-TESTER Examples of Use*

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- Tests of PHOTOS Hard Brem. with KKMC, KoralZ, TAUOLA and PYTHIA (By Piotr Golonka)

<http://mc-tester.web.cern.ch/MC-TESTER/PHOTOS-MCTESTER/>

- The tool has been used by members of the ATLAS collaboration:
  - In particular, Zhonghua Qin tested tau decays for **Herwig++**, **Herwig**, **Herwig+Tauola+ Photos**, **Pythia**, **Pythia+Tauola+Photos**, and **Sherpa**.
    - <http://indico.cern.ch/materialDisplay.py?contribId=23&materialId=slides&confId=36346>
    - A precision problem was identified with Sherpa interface read event mode.
  - Used to quickly rule-out a problem with the TAUOLA interface when discrepancies were seen between MC samples of  $W \rightarrow \tau \nu$ .
- A matrix of comparisons (eg. pythia 6.4 vs 8) can be found at:

[http://mc-tester.web.cern.ch/MC-TESTER/mc-tester\\_results/results.html](http://mc-tester.web.cern.ch/MC-TESTER/mc-tester_results/results.html)