



Event generation with SHERPA

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Outline

- Introduction to SHERPA
- Heavy quark mass effects in associated production
- 4 flavour vs. 5 flavour (massive) schemes
- Multijet merging, NLO EW corrections, etc.
- Status of SHERPA in CMS
- SHERPA Samples and plans

The SHERPA Event Generator Framework

JHEP02(2009)007

- Two multi-purpose Matrix Element (ME) generators

AMEGIC++ JHEP02(2002)044, EPJC53(2008)501

COMIX JHEP12(2008)039, PRL109(2012)042001

- Two Parton Shower (PS) generators

CSSHOWER JHEP03(2008)038

DIRE EPJC75(2015)461

- A multiple interaction simulation

à la PYTHIA AMISIC++ hep-ph/0601012

- A cluster fragmentation module

AHADIC++ EPJC36(2004)381

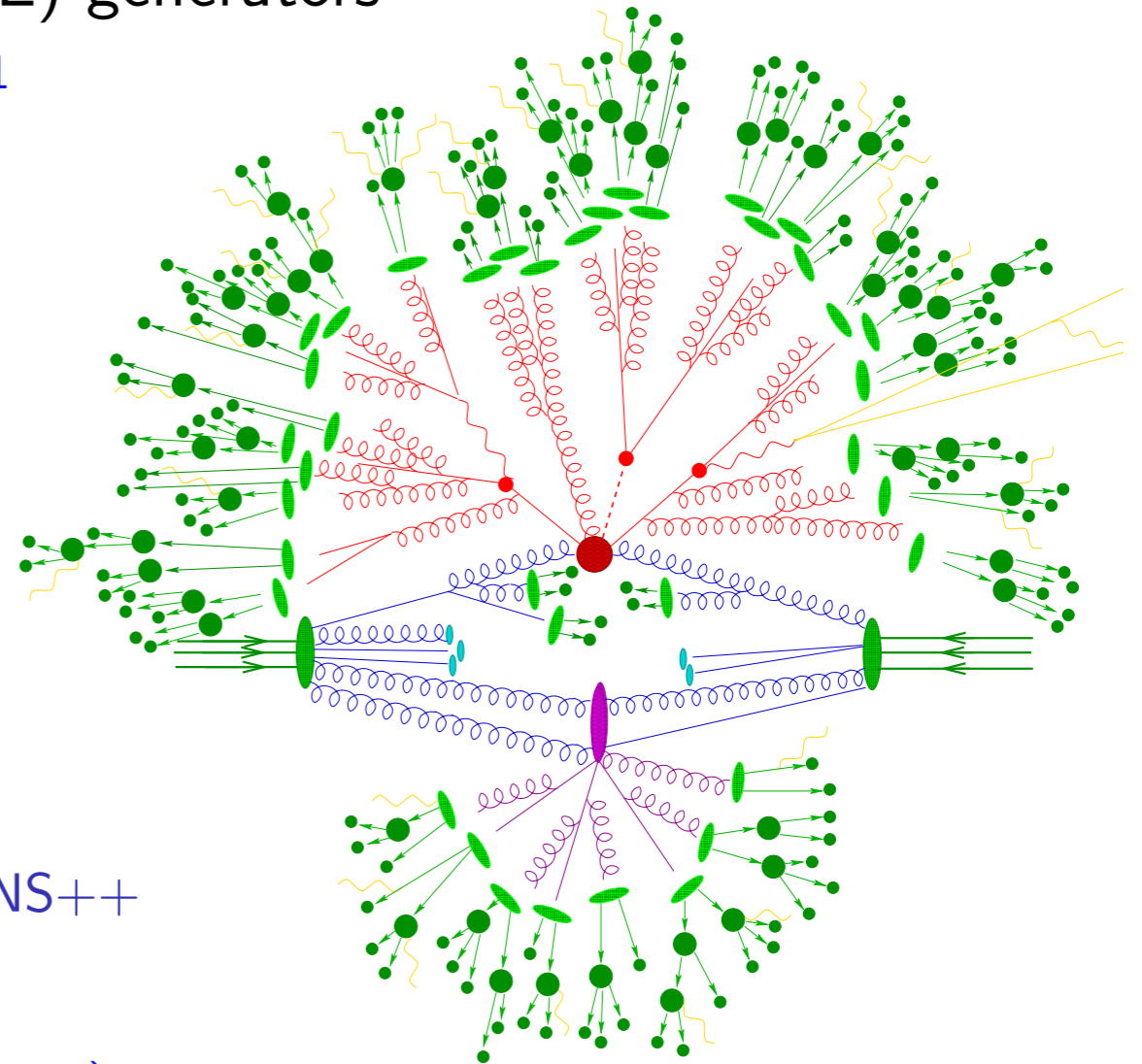
- A hadron and τ decay package HADRONS++

- A higher order QED generator using

YFS-resummation PHOTONS++ JHEP12(2008)018

Sherpa's traditional strength is the perturbative part of the event

LO, NLO, NNLO, LoPs, NLoPs, NNLoPs, MEs, MENLoPs, MEs@NLO



Acronyms and Nomenclature

Fixed order calculations

- matrix elements only, implies fixed multiplicities
- no parton shower, no non-perturbative physics, no particle level

⇒ LO, NLO, NNLO

Parton shower matched calculations

- combination of fixed order calculation and parton shower for one multiplicity
- particle level predictions, no multijet observables

⇒ LOPs, NLOPs, NNLOPs

Multijet merged calculations

- combination of parton shower matched calculations for increasing final state multiplicities (mostly jets)
- particle level predictions, multijet observables

⇒ MEPS(@LO), MEPS@NLO (special case MENLOPs)

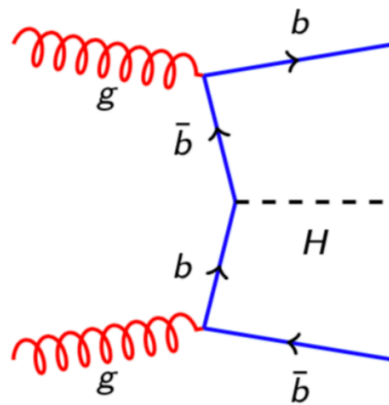
SHERPA 2.2.6

- SHERPA-2.2.6 released Jan '19
- contains bugfixes for all known bugs of SHERPA-2.2.5
- UFO support for BSM physics
- two parton showers: CSSHOWER (default), DIRE
- **on-the-fly scale and PDF variations** for ME part in
 - LO, NLO
 - LOPs, NLOPs (S-Mc@NLO)
 - MEPS, MENLOPs, MEPS@NLO
- **also for** incorporation of assoc. **approx. EW corrs.** and sub-LO
→ use named weights in HEPMC (av. since HEPMC-2.06)
- full scale & PDF variations including correlated with parton shower and for NNLO/NNLOPs in SHERPA-3.0.0
- allow to force HEPMC event record into pure tree structure, lost information available through disconnected vertices
- default PDF: NNPDF30_nnlo_as_0118

Heavy quark mass effects in associated production

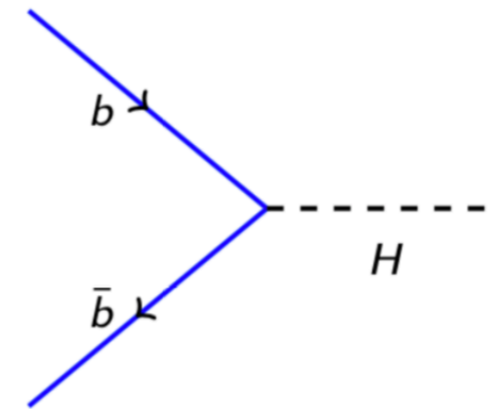
4 Flavour Scheme

- b quarks are massive, decoupled from QCD evolution, treated like light quarks
- can only be produced in the final state, through a $g \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ splitting if the gluon has enough energy.
- Fixed-order logarithms of any energy-like invariant over m_b can appear.



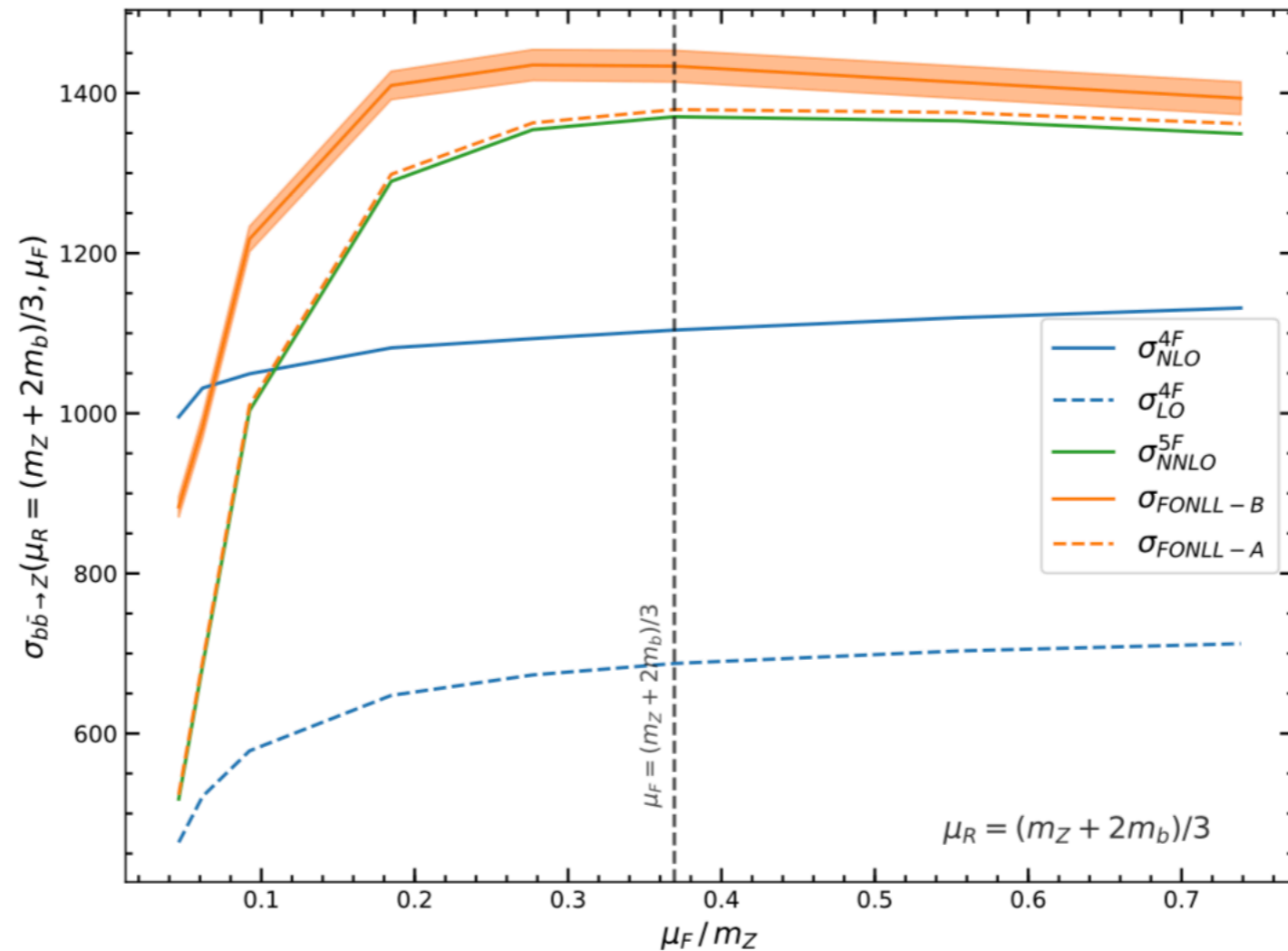
5 Flavour Scheme

- b quarks have zero mass, and thus participate in the QCD evolution, like all other light quarks.
- Appears in initial and final states
- b -mass effects, appear only as threshold effects,
- logarithms of μ_F/m_b are resummed to all order



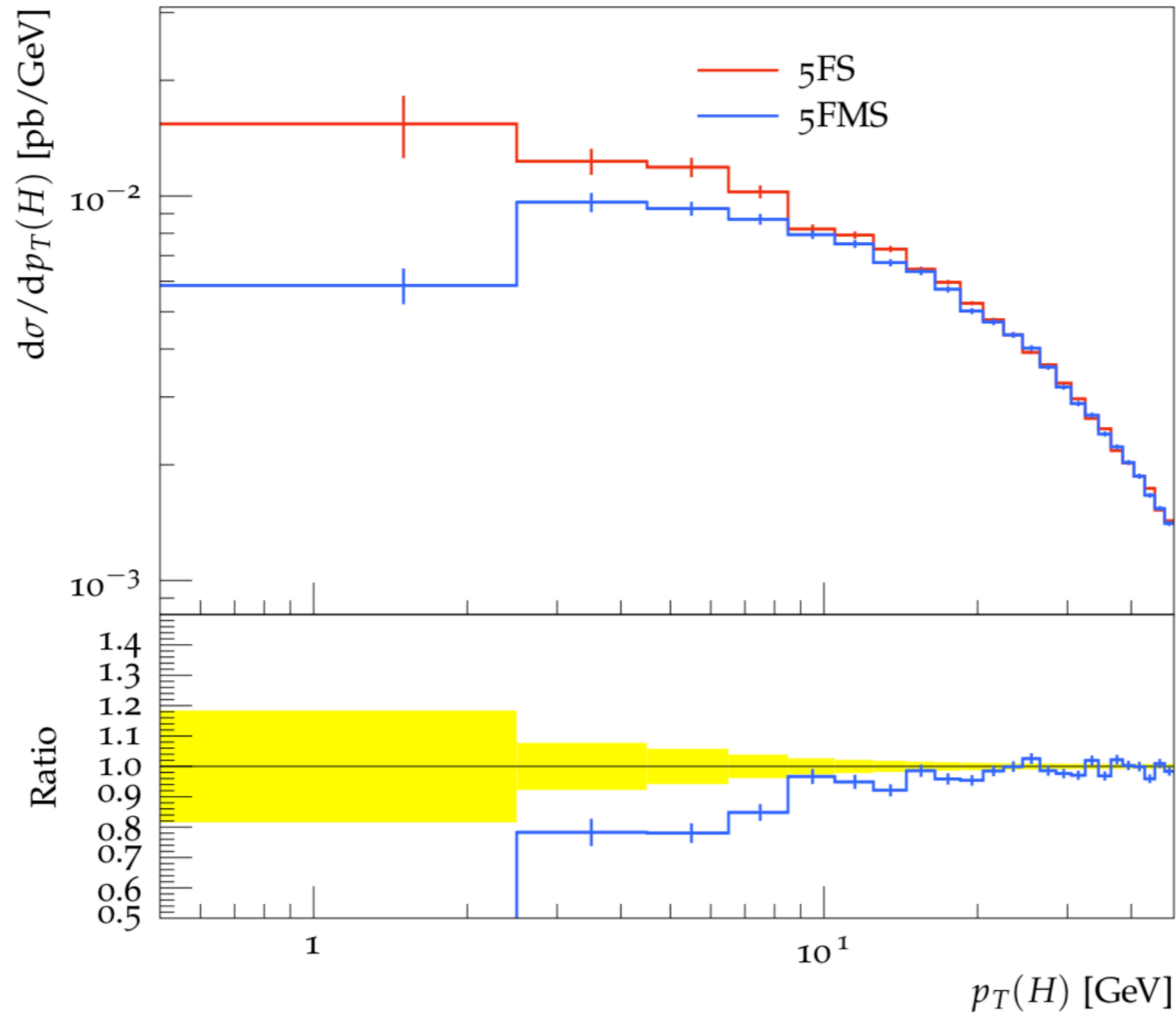
- Mainly differ by the inclusion of mass suppressed terms or in the resummation of a certain class of logarithms
- construct a matching scheme to combine the two and obtain a result which includes both fixed-order mass effects, and the resummation of large μ_F/m_b logarithms

4 flavour vs 5 flavour schemes



- matched results can give insights on what are the main contributions that make the two factorisation schemes different: mass or resummation effects
- the matched result, both with leading or next-to-leading fixed order accuracy, lies very close to the nominal 5FS, thus concluding that mass effects play a little role, with the main difference between the two schemes, coming from the resummation of large logs

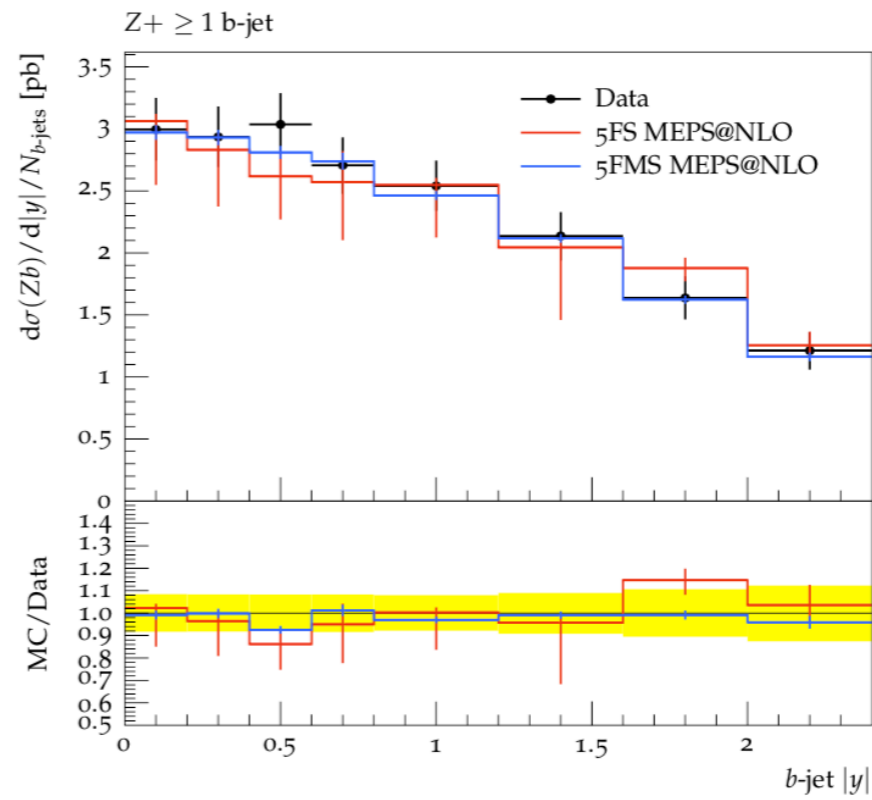
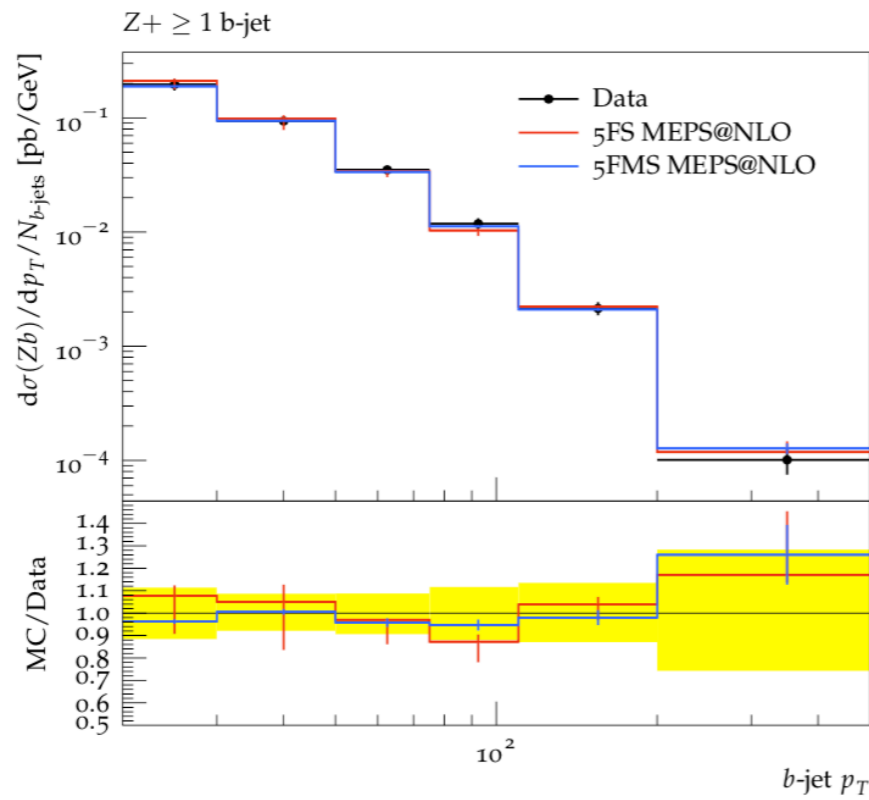
5 flavour vs 5 flavour massive schemes



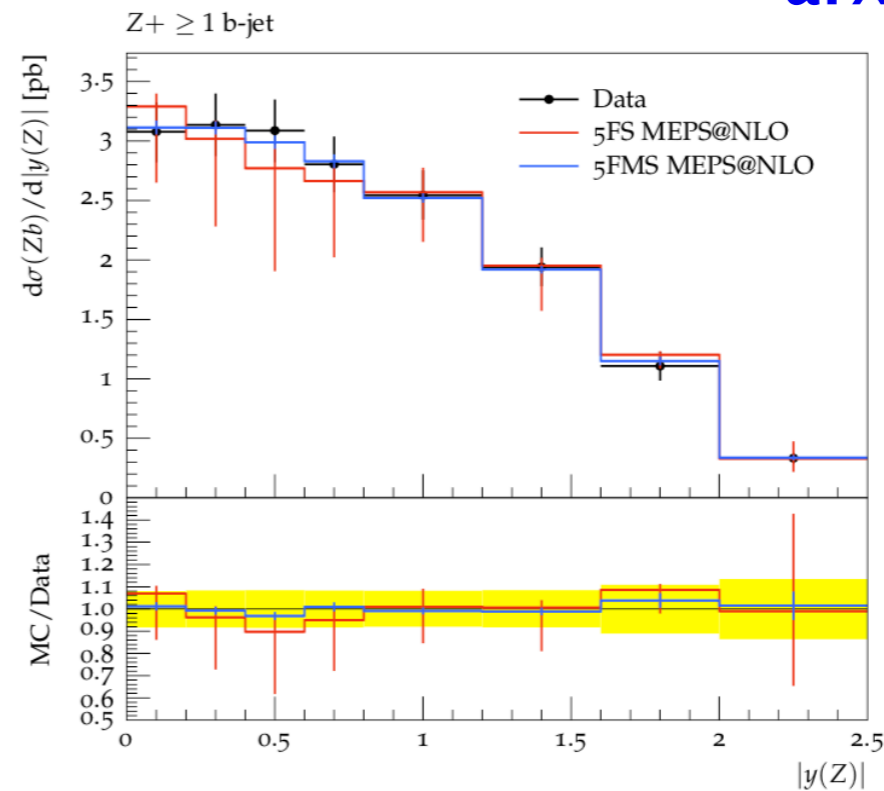
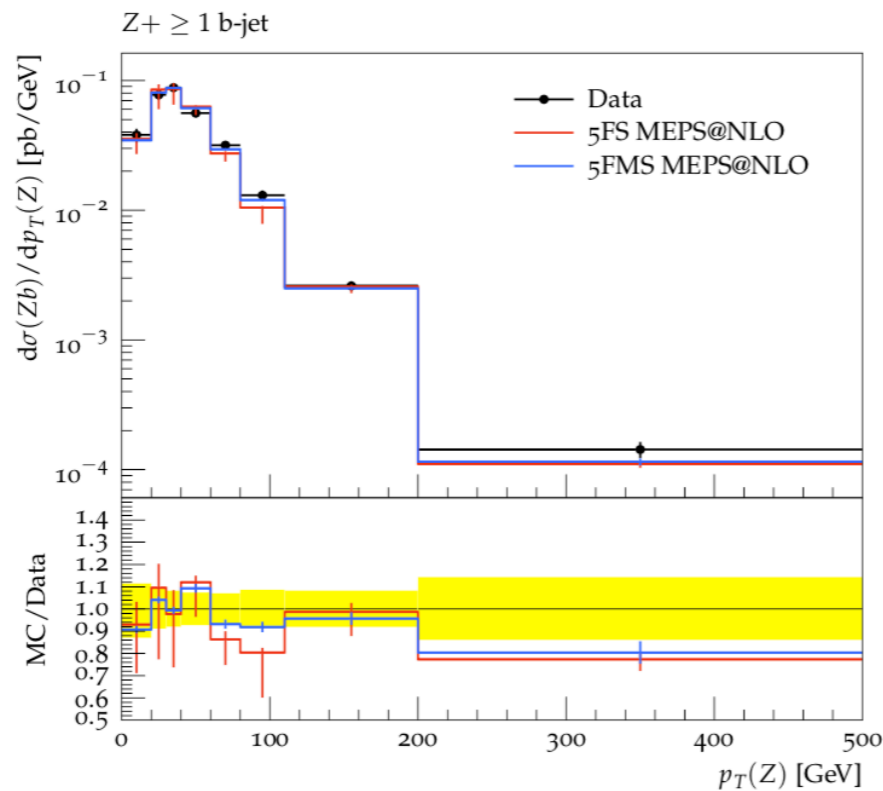
[arXiv:1801.03440](https://arxiv.org/abs/1801.03440)

- Large effect of mass at low p_T but once p_T becomes of the order of about twice the bottom mass, these effects become negligible and the massless and massive schemes converge to each other.

5 flavour vs 5 flavour massive schemes



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SHERPA for p_T^W and p_T^Z

Fixed order:

- NNLO QCD and NLO EW for inclusive W and Z production
- NLO QCD and NLO EW for $p_T^{W/Z}$

Matched to parton shower:

- NNLOPS for inclusive W and Z production
- NLOPS (S-Mc@NLO) for $p_T^{W/Z}$

Multijet merged:

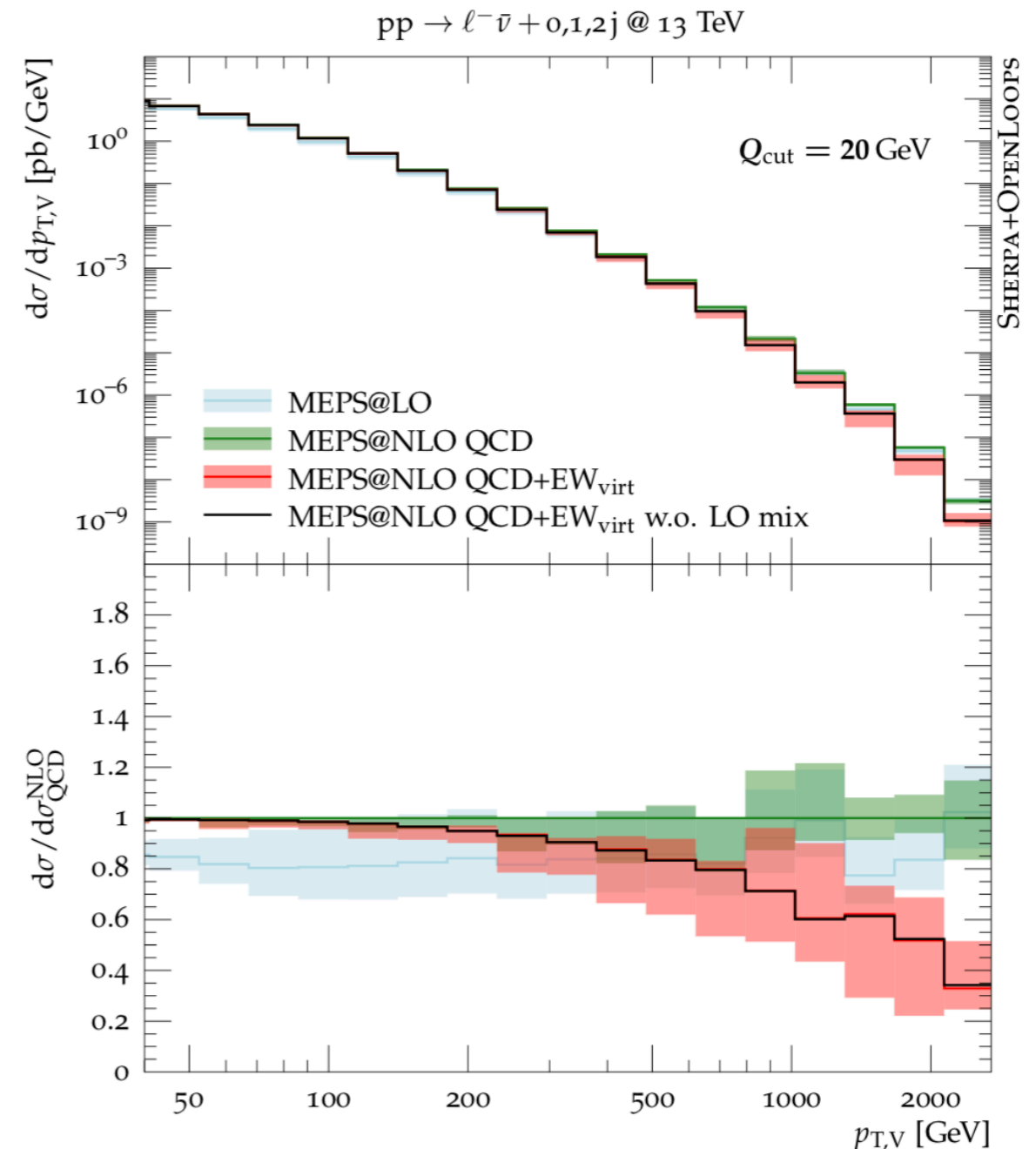
- MEPS@NLO
 - inclusive and for low $p_T (< Q_{\text{cut}})$ same as incl. NLOPS
 - for high- p_T benefit from NLO accuracy for multijet processes

Large p_T^W and p_T^Z

Lindert, Kallweit, Maierhöfer, Pozzorini, MS arXiv:1511.08692

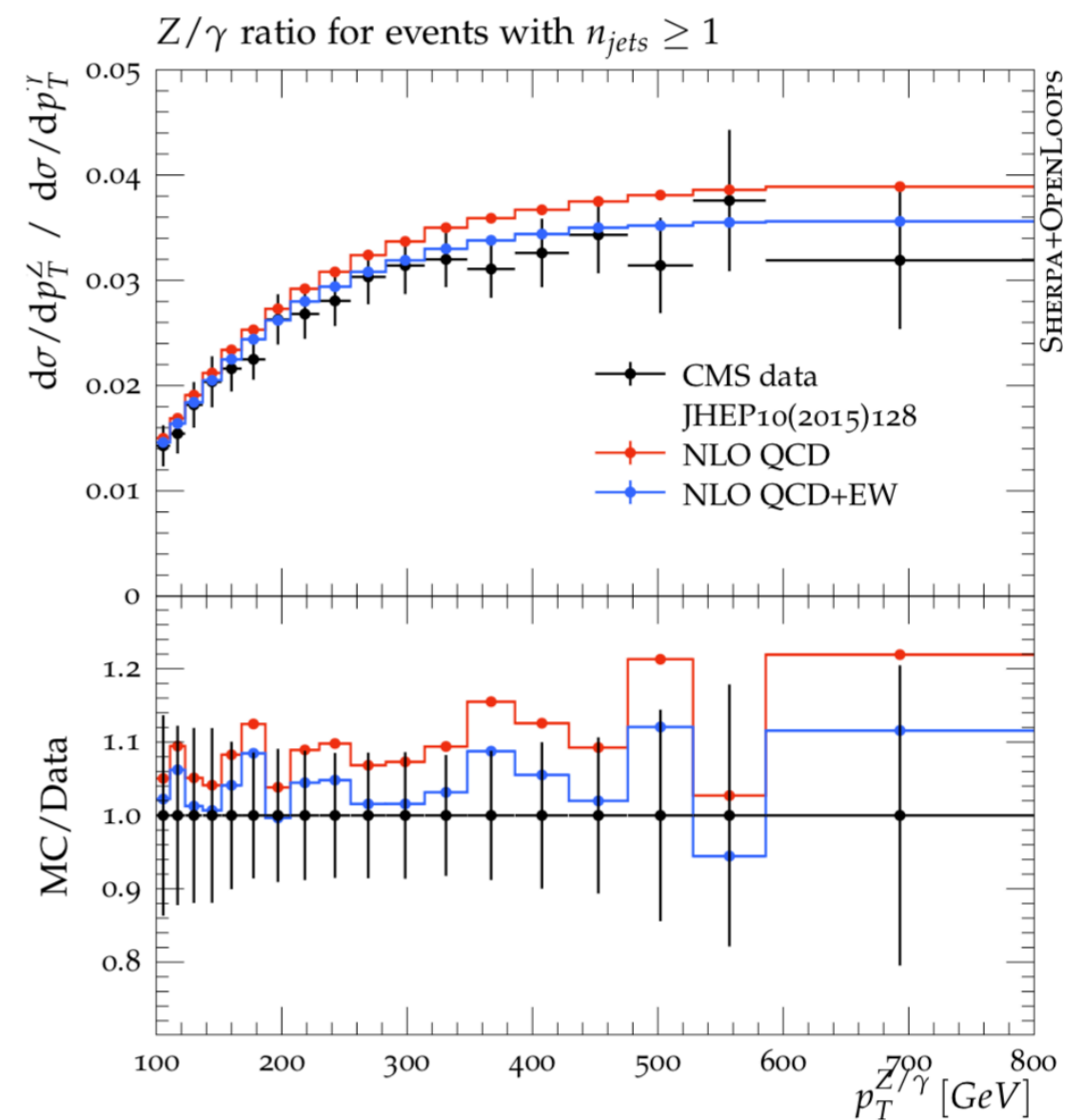
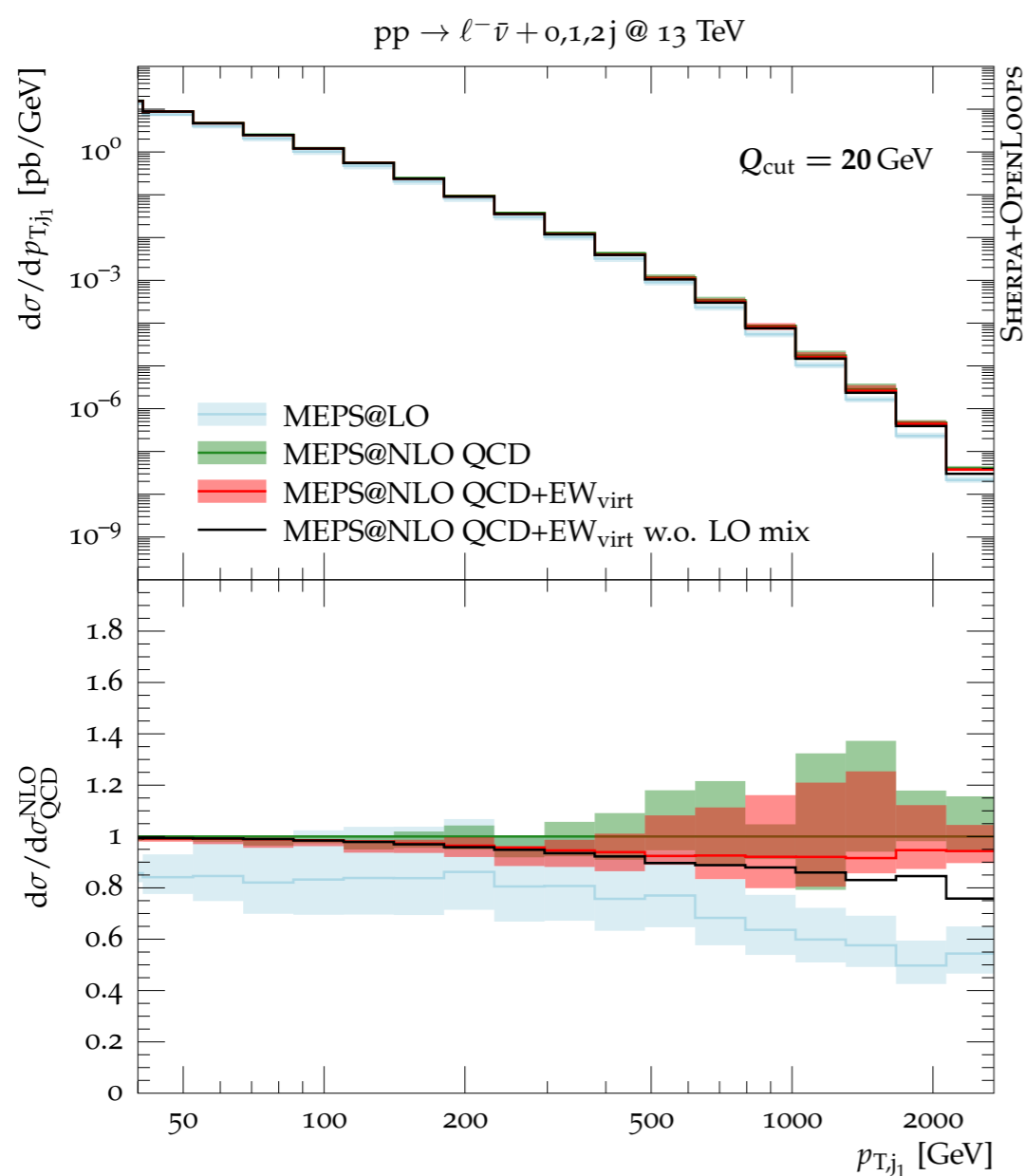
MEPS@NLO QCD+EW_{virt}

- incorporate approximate NLO EW corrections
 \approx EW Sudakov approx.
 \rightarrow but also includes many non-logarithmic terms that render the result closer to NLO EW
 \rightarrow **recover large EW corr. at large p_T**
- also include large subleading orders
- QED FSR through YFS soft-photon resummation



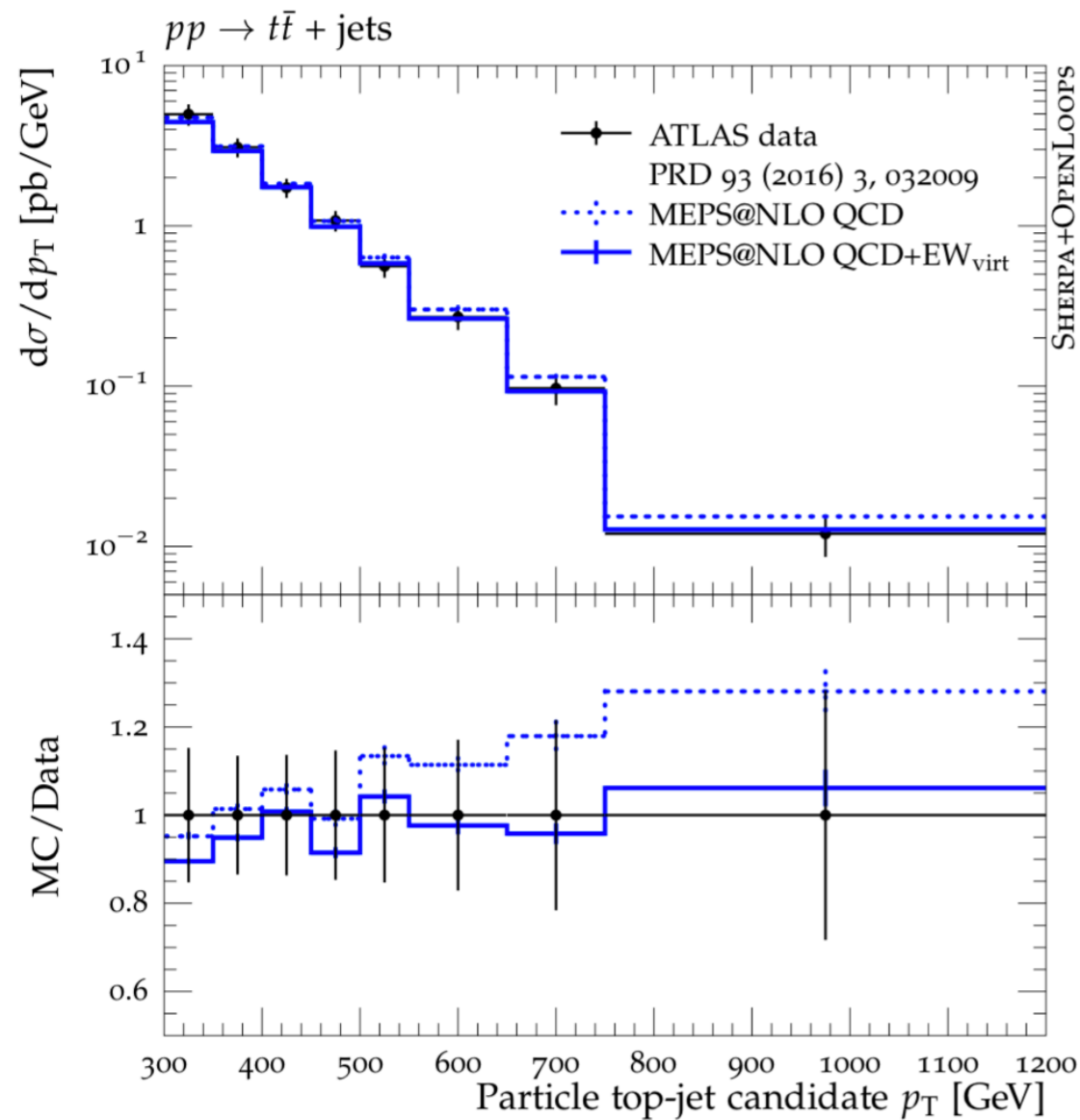
Multijet merging in 2.2.6 and NLO QCD+EW correction in 3.0.0

LH'15 arXiv:1605.04692



important to describe Z/γ ratio
 \Rightarrow **preview to SHERPA-3.0.0**

$t\bar{t} + \text{jets}$ production incl. approx. electroweak corrections



Gütschow, Lindert, MS arXiv:1803.00950

- $t\bar{t} + 0, 1j$ @NLO QCD+EW_{virt}
+ 2, 3, 4j@LO

- include approx. virtual corrections

- additional LO multiplicities inherit electroweak corrections through MENLOPS differential K -factor

Höche, Krauss, MS, Siebert

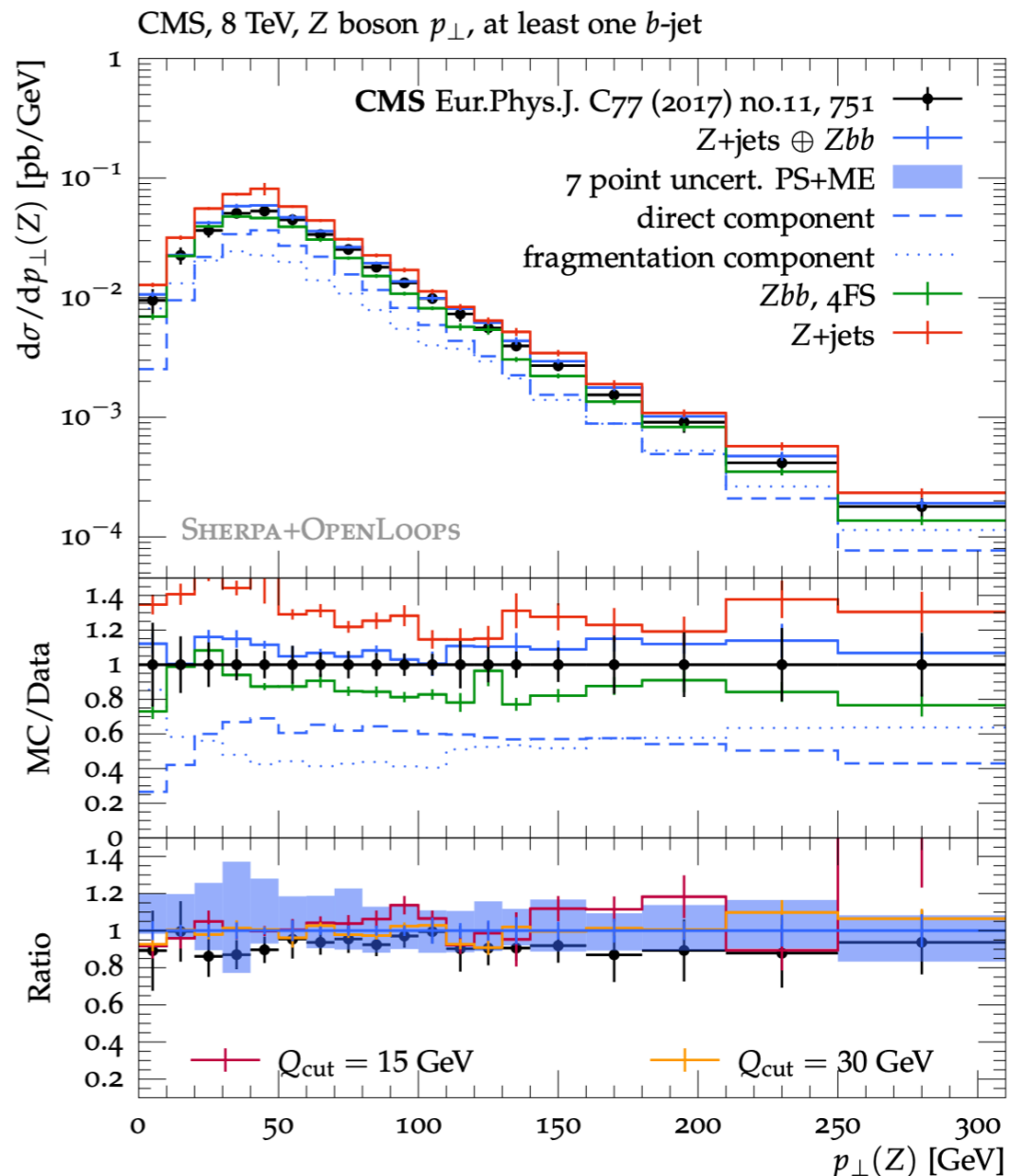
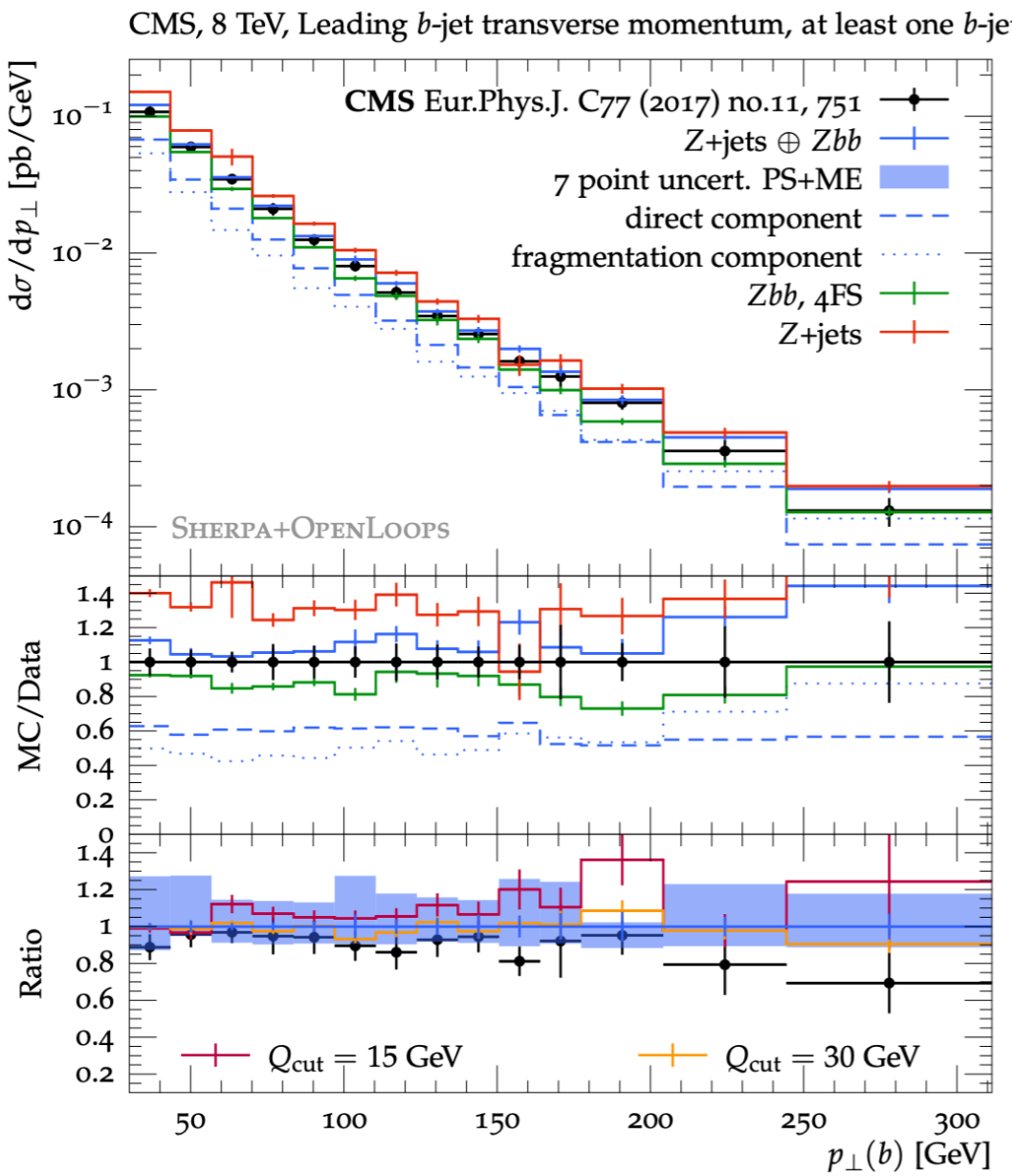
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- improved description of data

Multijet merging in variable flavour number scheme

- Three main ingredients:
 - Interpreting $ttbb$ as merged contribution
 - Overlap removal
 - Matching 4F/5F in PDFs and
- Can be applied for LO and NLO merging!

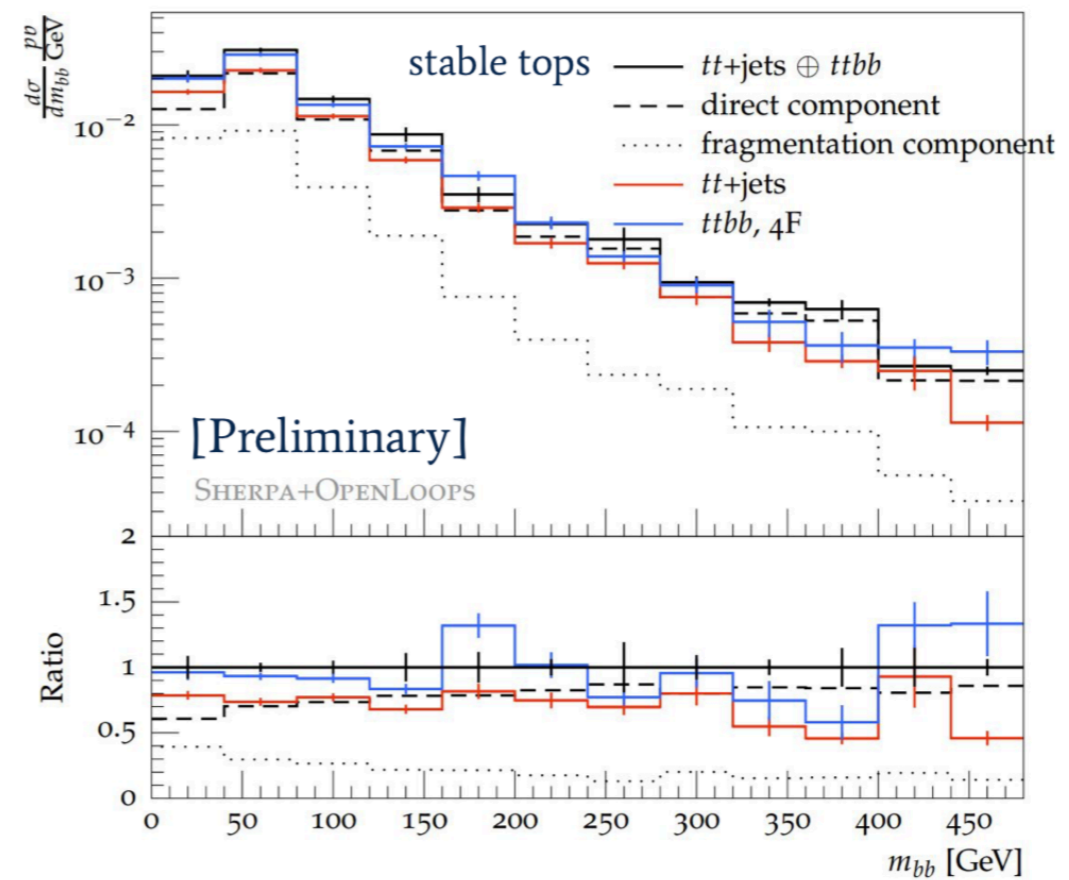
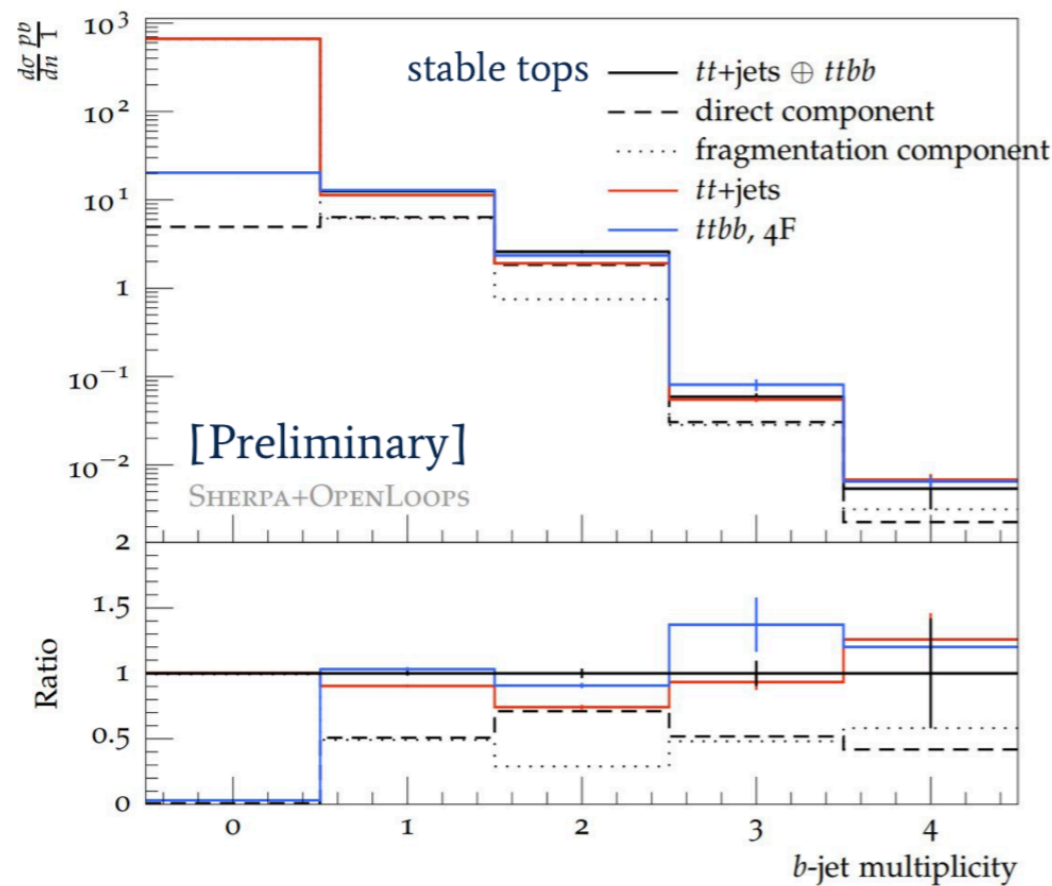
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Multijet merging in variable flavour number scheme

[Katz, Krause, Pollard, FS in prep]

- ▶ Application to fusion of **MEPS@NLO** $tt + 0,1j@NLO + 2,3j@LO$ and massive $ttbb@NLO$
- ▶ 2-bjet production dominated by direct component, but 1-bjet observables with equal contributions from direct and fragmentation configurations!



- More information about 'Monte-Carlo modelling and uncertainties in $ttbb$ production' is available [by Frank Siegert in SM@LHC, 2019](#)

SHERPA in CMS - I

- Sherpa is included in CMSSW as external package: <https://github.com/cms-externals/sherpa>
- Uses a couple of additional external packages:
 - HepMC, LHAPDF, Sqlite, FastJet, ... (used by many others)
 - BlackHat, Openloops, ... (used only by Sherpa)
- **Releases**
 - Every new release is integrated & validated in the CMS software in ~1 month
 - SHERPA is part of CMS generator validation & production infrastructure
 - Z+jets and ttbar events (100 k) are included in the RelVals
 - SHERPA samples can be produced for Phase-II upgrade studies and all the data taking periods in Run-2, i.e. 2016, 2017 and 2018
 - Current recommended versions: SHERPA 2.2.5 + OpenLoops.2.0.b
 - CMSSW_10_2_6 & CMSSW_10_3_0 for 2018 data
 - CMSSW_9_3_13 for 2017 data
 - CMSSW_7_1_36 for 2016 data
 - **NEW:** SHERPA 2.2.6 ([List of updates](#)) and OpenLoops 2.0 are being integrated in CMSSW
 - SHERPA 2.2.7 and SHERPA 3.0.0 expected in May

SHERPA in CMS - II

- the Sherpa Interface is part of CMSSW
 - source code:
https://github.com/cms-sw/cmssw/tree/CMSSW_9_4_X/GeneratorInterface/SherpaInterface
- purpose:
 - generate events with Sherpa
 - turn events into compliant format
 - feed output into CMSSW
- Sherpa-CMSSW workflow
 - phase-space integration and library creation
 - event generation
 - performed by interface
 - can be parallelized on grid
- **Documentation:** HEPForge is hosting the releases until 2.2.5 but SHERPA is moved to Gitlab for the future releases
- **CMS Twiki:** <https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/viewauth/CMS/SherpaInterface>
- **Support:** Primarily report issues at GEN hypernews: hn-cms-generators@cern.ch

SHERPA Samples

- SHERPA samples are being produced for the 10+ analyses in the standard model, top physics and Higgs physics groups
- Spreadsheet to document the Sherpa sample's usage in CMS (private and central)
- Additional work is started for:
 - Higgs+jets production in gluon fusion with finite top mass effects
 - VBF process to study the impact of parton shower uncertainties in Higgs XSection working group
 - Understand negative weight fraction in pdfs in V+jets samples
- **Suggestions for MC production of private/central samples in CMS**
 - Please always post your run cards on the official GitHub SHERPA-GEN area: <https://github.com/cms-sw/genproductions/tree/master/bin/Sherpa/cards/production>
 - Report the number of events/target analysis/timeline, etc. on the CMS-SHERPA-GoogleSheet and GEN spreadsheets
 - for EVENT_GENERATION_MODE please use default "PartiallyUnweighted", which contrary to "Unweighted" properly treats events with weights larger than the maximum
 - In addition to the SHERPA manual, several examples are available on <https://gitlab.com/sherpa-team/sherpa/tree/rel-2-2-6/Examples>
 - To explore SHERPA in CMS, please contact Gurpreet.Singh@cern.ch

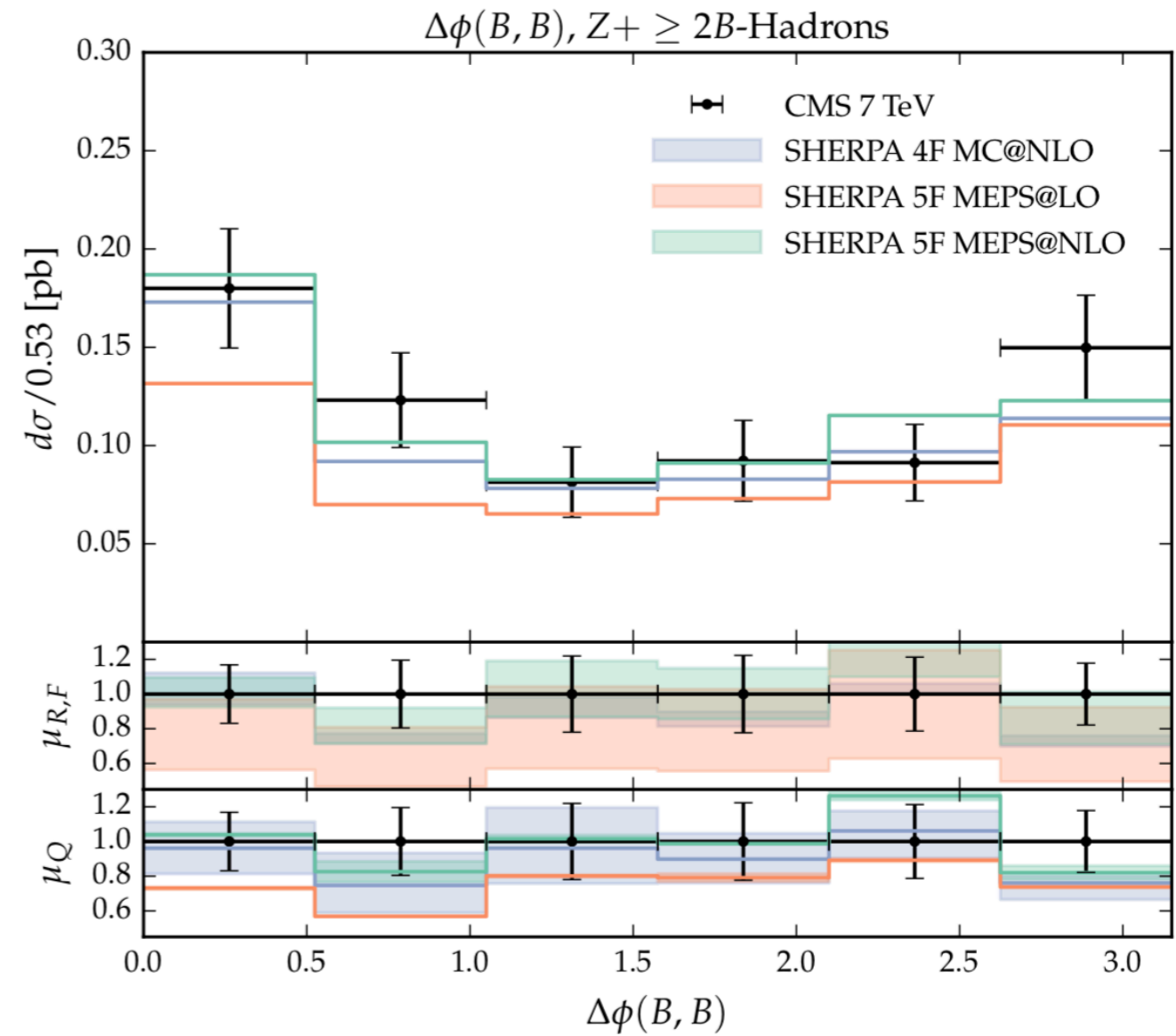
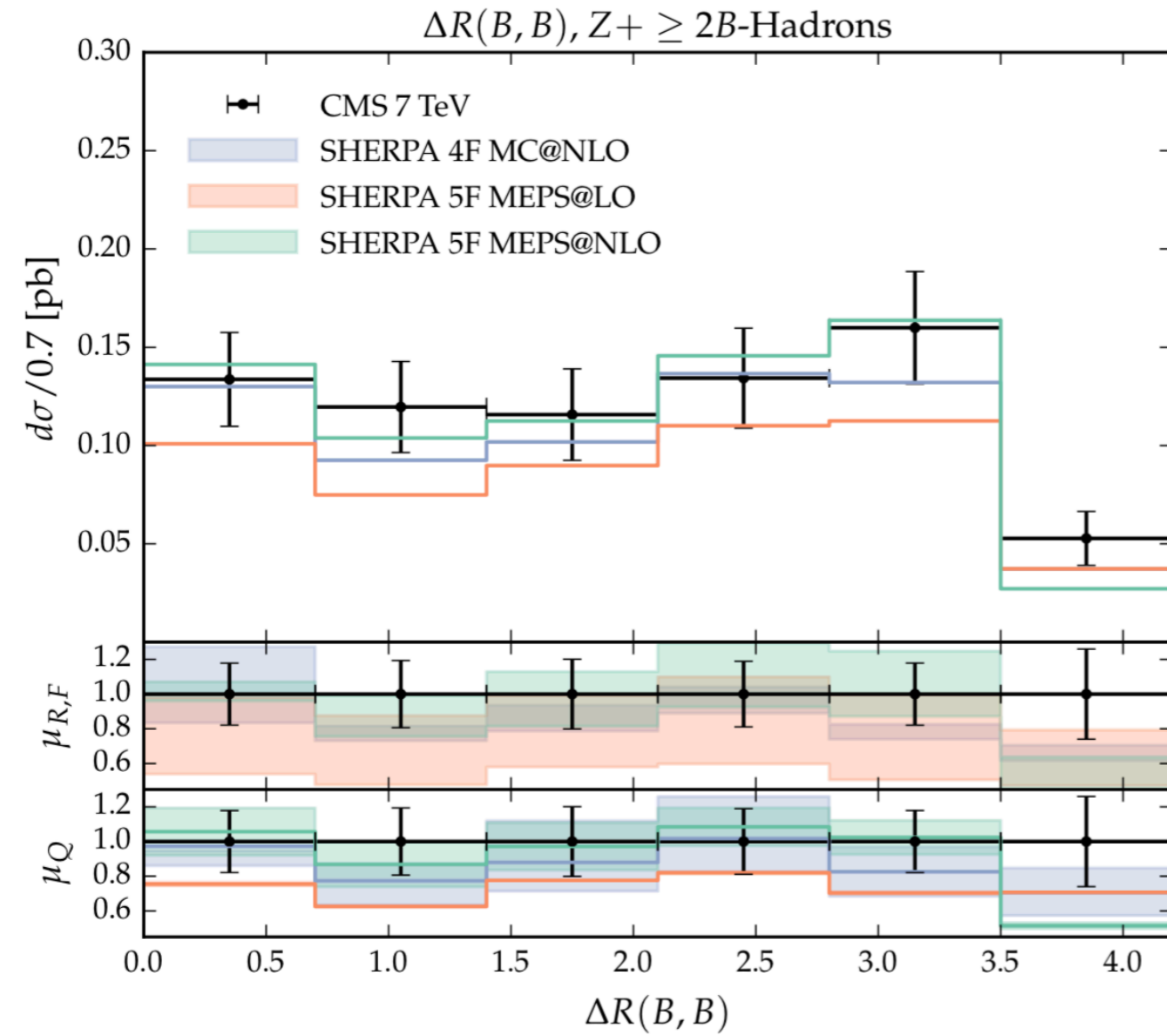
Summary

- 5FMS is recommended when the phase space is not well understood (exclusive or inclusive observables)
- Approximate NLO QCD + EW correction are available in SHERPA 2.2.6 and well tested for V+jets, ttbar+jets, VV+jets.
- SHERPA is fully compatible to produce MC samples with UFO models
- SHERPA tunes are under development
- SHERPA 2.2.6 and openloops 2.0 is being integrated in CMSSW
- Various kind of SHERPA samples can be produced in CMS
- The First CMS SHERPA workshop was organised in February 2019: <https://indico.cern.ch/event/779232/>
- Open to explore the possibilities to enhance heavy flavour treatment in SHERPA

Thank you very much!

Additional Slides

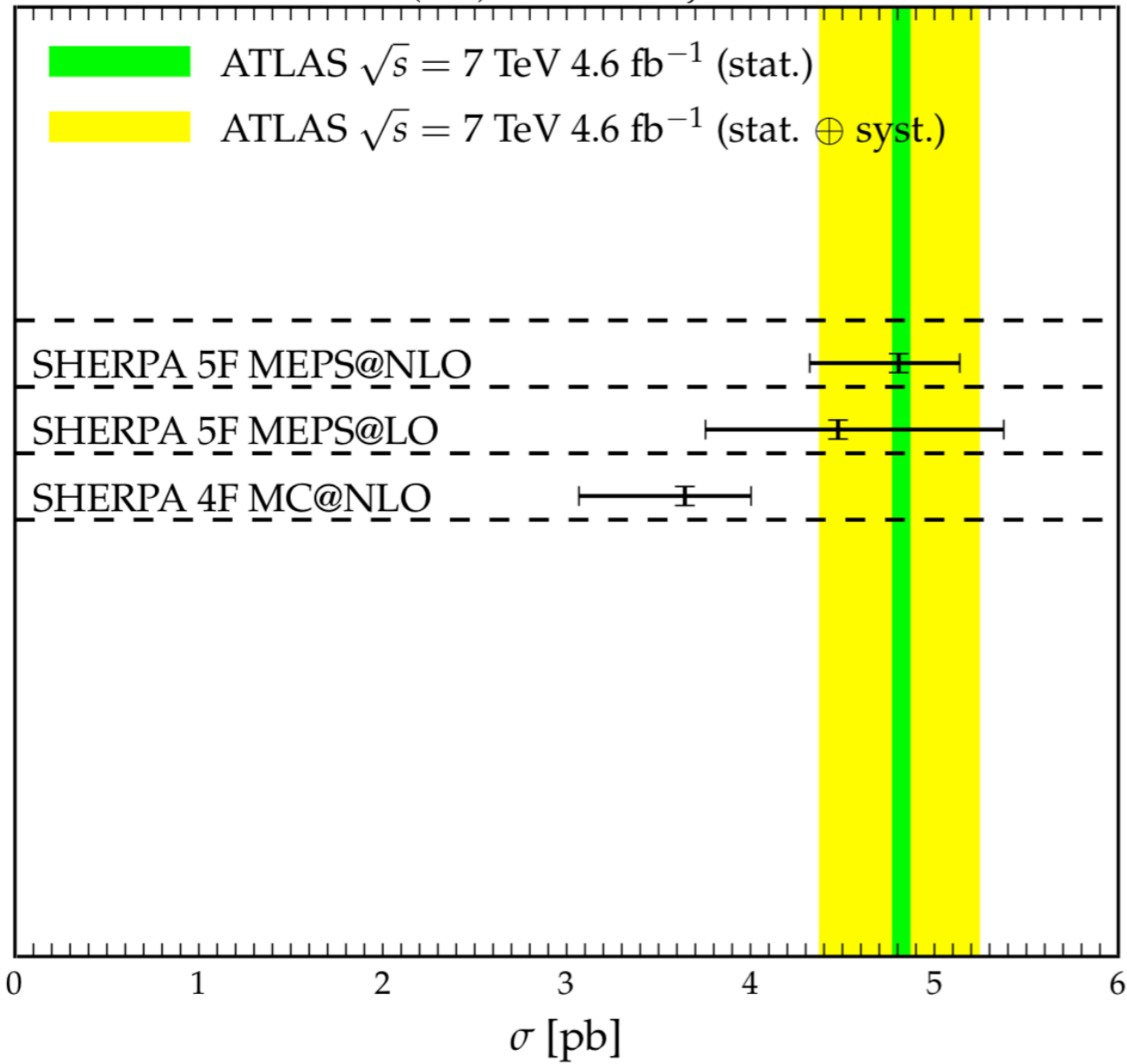
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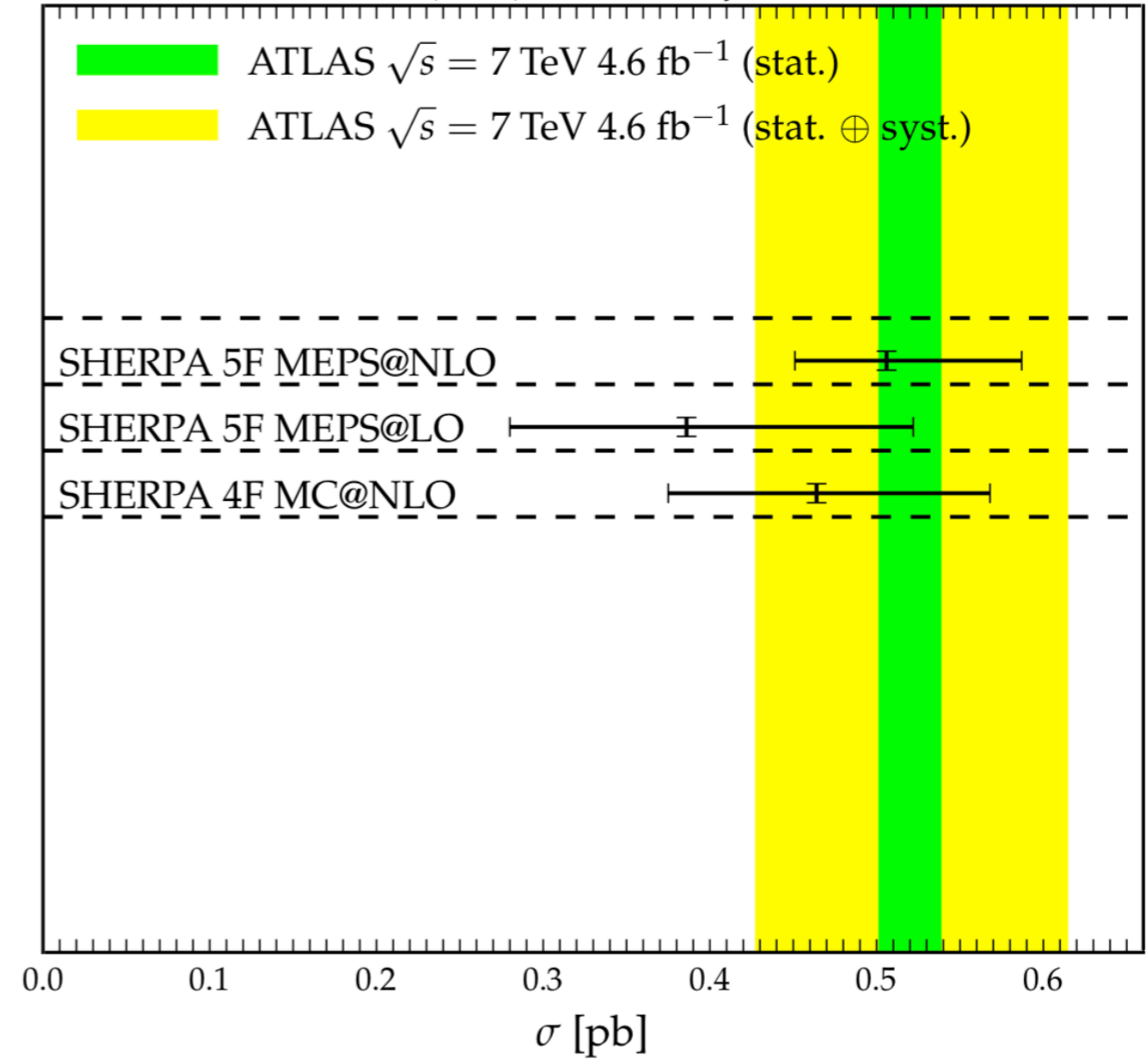
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Z/H + Heavy Flavours

$\sigma(Zb), Z+ \geq 1 \text{ bjets}$



$\sigma(Zbb), Z+ \geq 2 \text{ bjets}$



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