

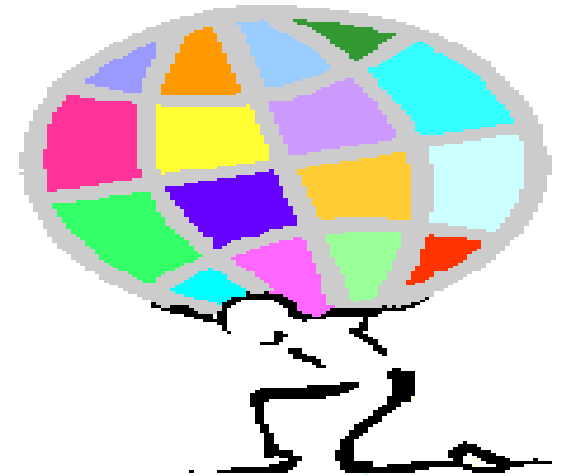
Monte Carlo generators for the modelling of multijet processes in ATLAS at 13 TeV

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Introduction



Why is MC modelling of paramount importance at LHC?

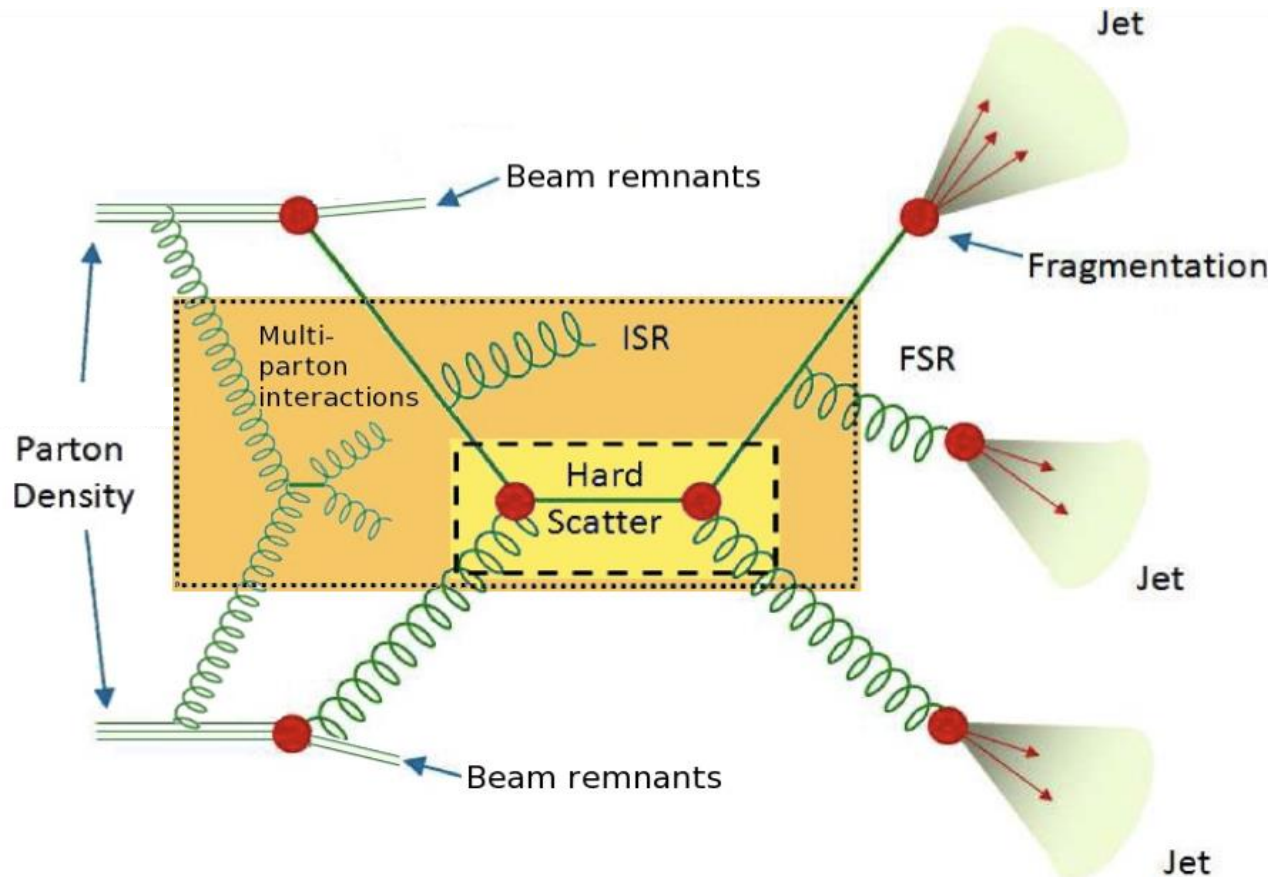
In cross-section measurements, MC used to **unfold detector level results** correcting for efficiencies, resolutions and acceptances and used to **correct fixed-order calculations for non-perturbative effects** in order to allow comparisons with data

In precision measurements of SM parameters, MC used to **build templates** of the sensitive observables

In measurements and searches, **estimation of backgrounds** often fully MC-based (small background) or based on a mixture of MC and data-driven techniques

MC used to assess **signal and background systematics**

Our ability to constrain and discover New Physics depends on having reliable MC predictions with well understood systematic uncertainties!



Description of pp collisions in MC via “factorisation”:

- ✓ **Hard Scattering (& Resonance decay)** via Matrix Element
- ✓ **Initial and State Radiation** via Parton Shower (PS)
- ✓ **Parton density** via PDFs
- ✓ **Underlying Event (UE):** everything in a pp collisions except the hard scattering via phenomenological models
 - *Multi-Parton Interactions (MPI):* additional parton-parton scatterings between other partons from the same protons
 - *Beam remnants*
- ✓ **Fragmentation and Hadronisation** via non-perturbative models of color-singlet parton systems

Why does MC modelling of jet processes play a leading role in this effort?

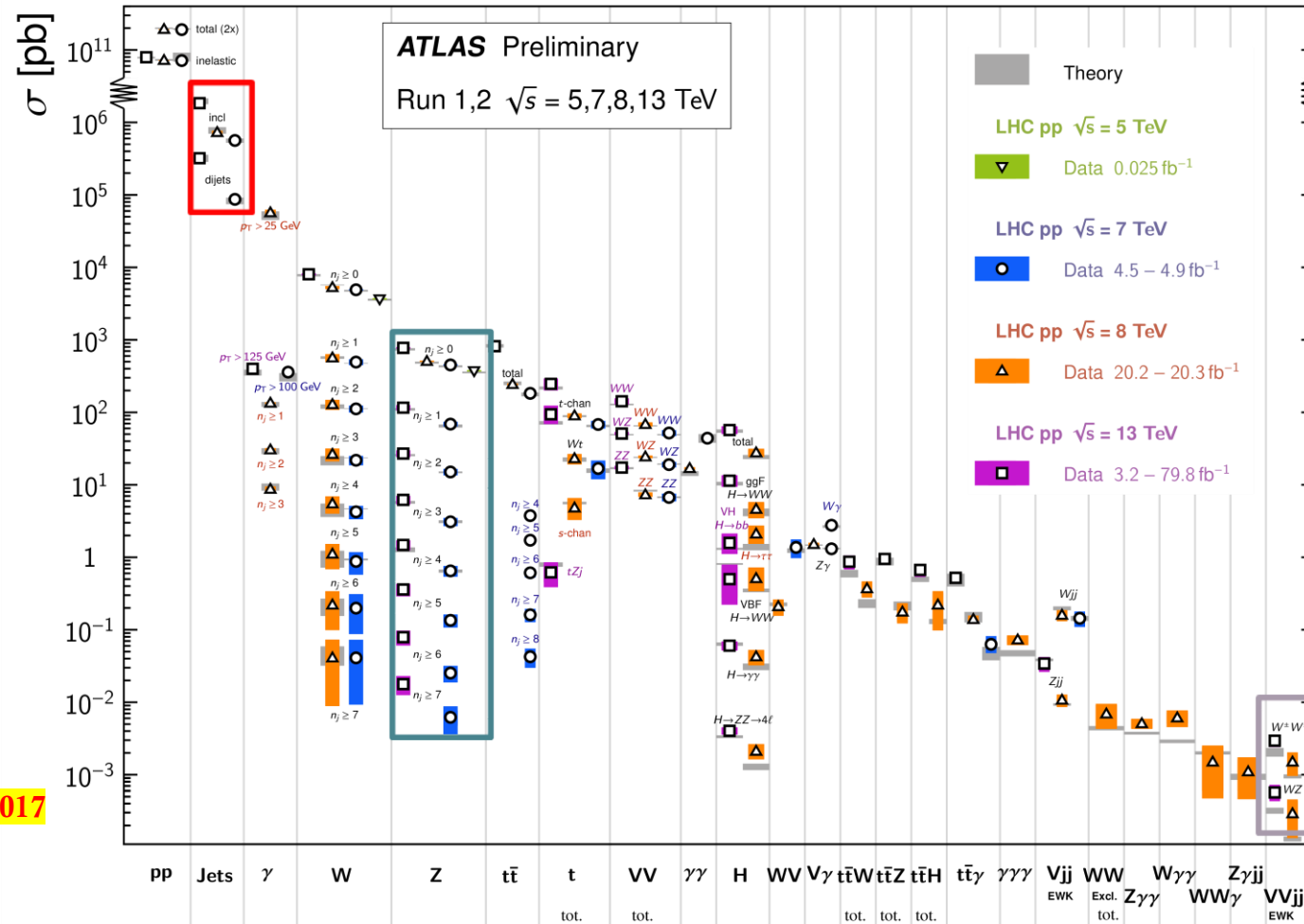
LHC is a jet factory, processes involving jets are crucial inputs for the **understanding of basic physics modelling features**

Outline



Standard Model Production Cross Section Measurements

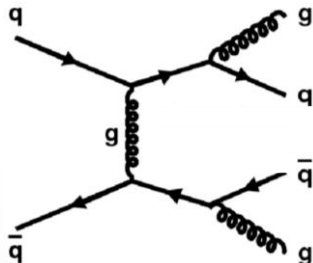
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Talk on MC modelling of Multijets & X+jets!

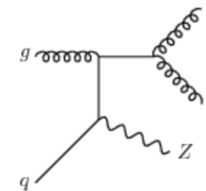
Multijets

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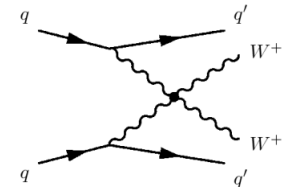
Z+jets

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WW+jets (VBS)

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Multijet MC configuration



Detailed study performed recently on several MC configurations simulating inclusive jet production:

MC	ME order	PDFs of ME	PS & UE & Had Models	PS & UE tunes
Pythia 8.230	LO 2→2	NNPDF23LO	p_T-ordered PS Lund string model for Had	A14 tune
Sherpa 2.2.5	LO 2→2	CT14NNLO	p_T-ordered PS (CSS Sherpa) Sherpa AHADIC model for Had (based on Cluster Fragm)	Sherpa tune (CT10)
			p_T-ordered PS (CSS Sherpa) Lund string model for Had (Pythia6.4)	
MadGraph+Pythia8 (MadGraph5_aMC@NLO 2.3.3.1)	LO up to 4 part	NNPDF30NLO	PS&Had: Pythia 8.212	A14 tune (NNPDF23LO)
Powheg+Pythia8 (Powheg-Box V2)	NLO dijets	NNPDF30NLO	PS&Had: Pythia 8.230	A14 tune (NNPDF23LO)
Herwig 7.1.3	NLO dijets	MMHT2014NLO	Angular ordered PS Cluster model for Had	Dedicated tune
			Dipole PS Cluster model for Had	Dedicate tune

Explored impact of different aspects:

- **QCD orders of ME** (LO vs NLO)
- **PS models** (p_T ordered vs angular ordered)
- **Factorisation and Hadronisation models** (Lund vs cluster models)

Multijet MC configuration

ME order impact:

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Pythia 8.230	LO 2→2	NNPDF23LO	p_T-ordered PS Lund model for Had	ATLAS A14
Powheg+Pythia8	NLO	NNPDF30NLO	PS: Pythia 8.230	A14 tune

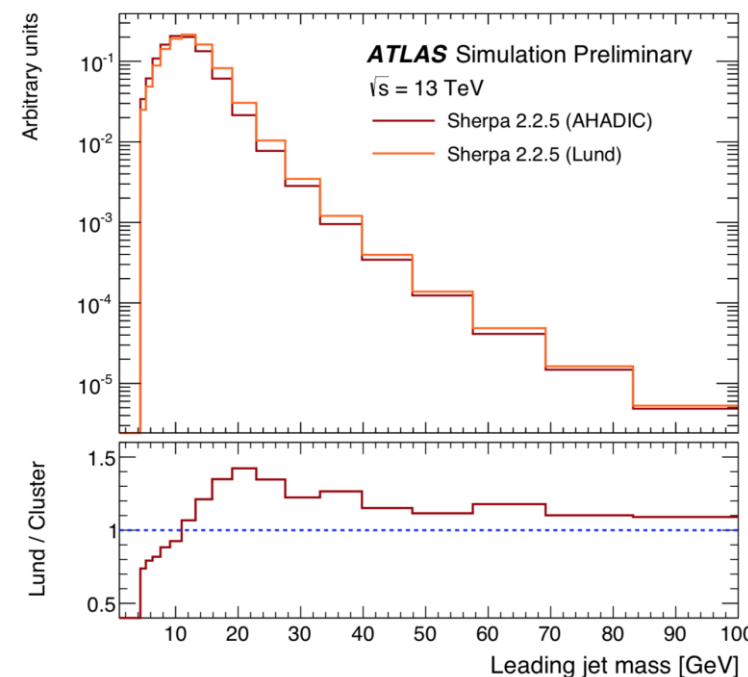
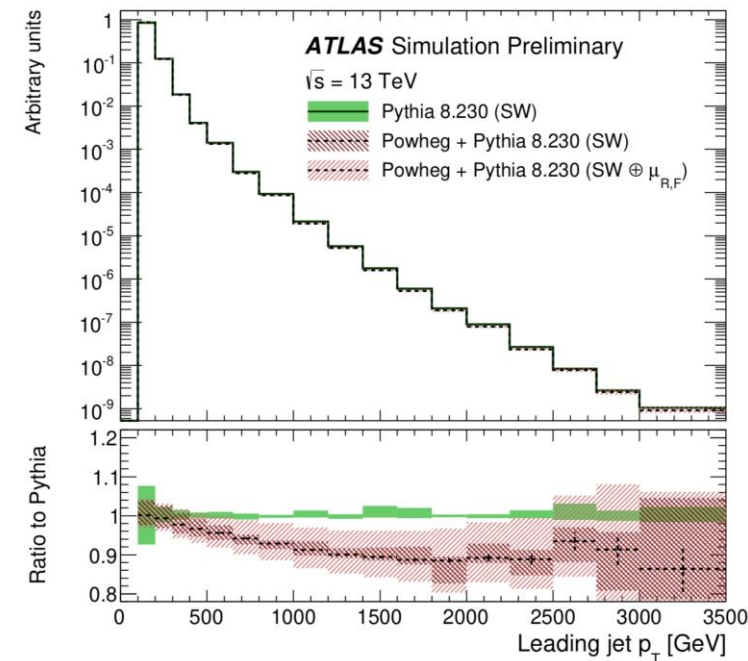
Large uncertainty at low p_T in **LO Pythia8** (PS unc only), PDFs uncertainties play a role at higher p_T in **NLO Powheg+Pythia8** (PS+scale+PDF unc)

- employed per-event weight functionality newly implemented in both MCs

Hadronisation model impact:

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Impact of 2 hadronization models in Sherpa reaches the level of 45% at low jet mass

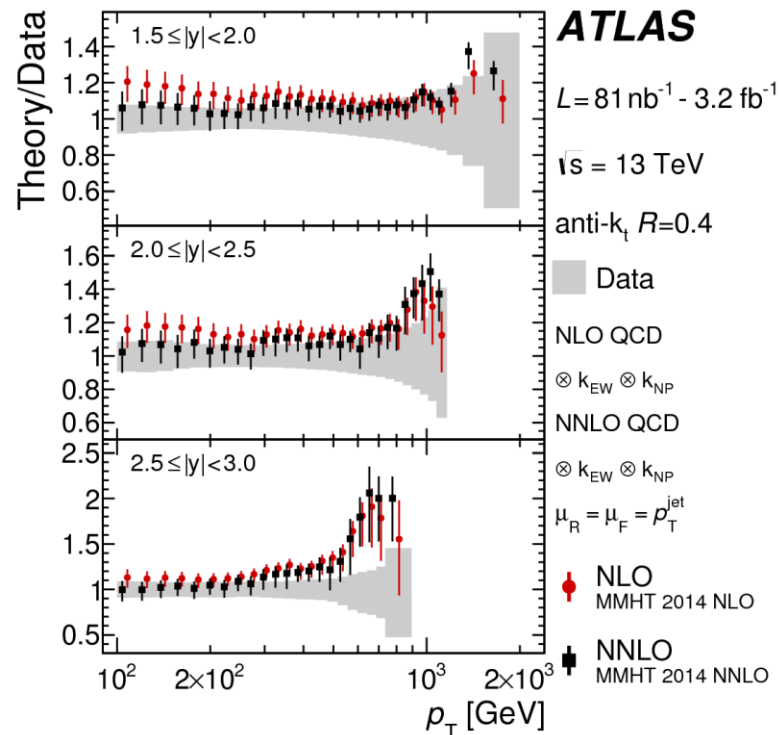
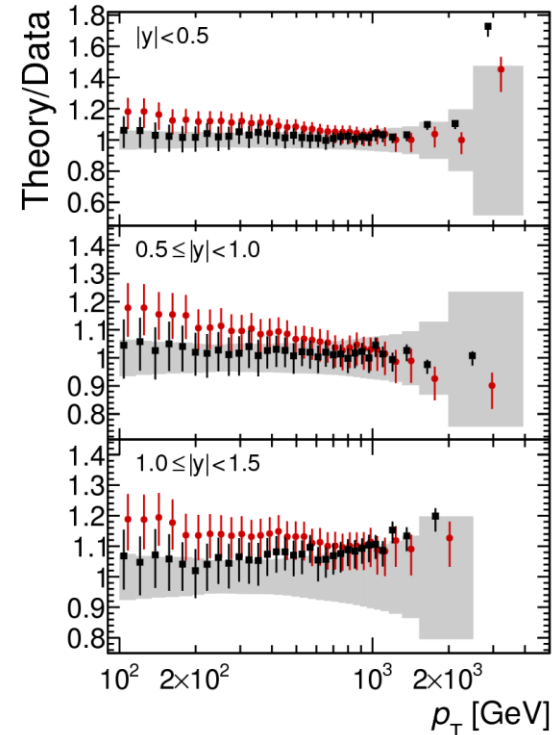
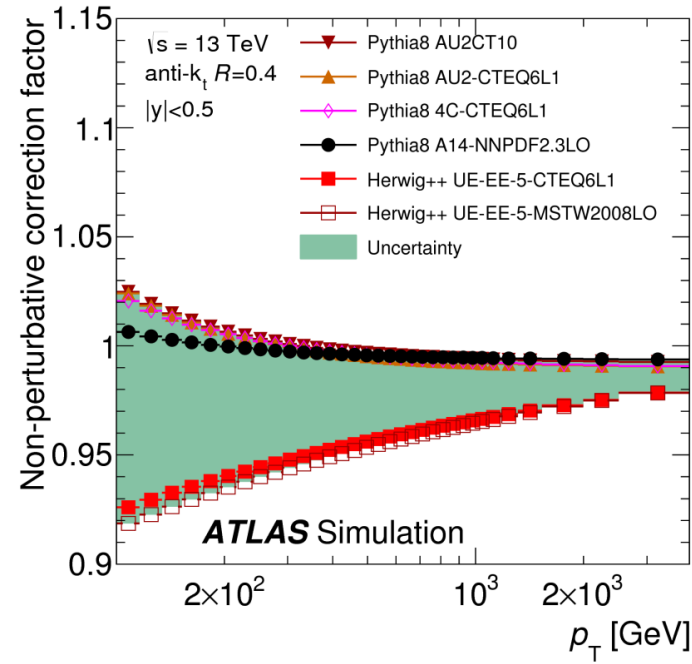
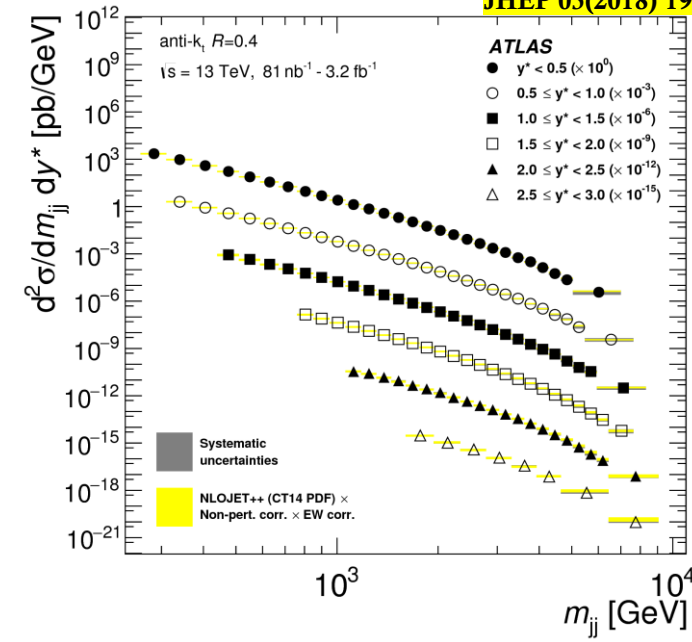
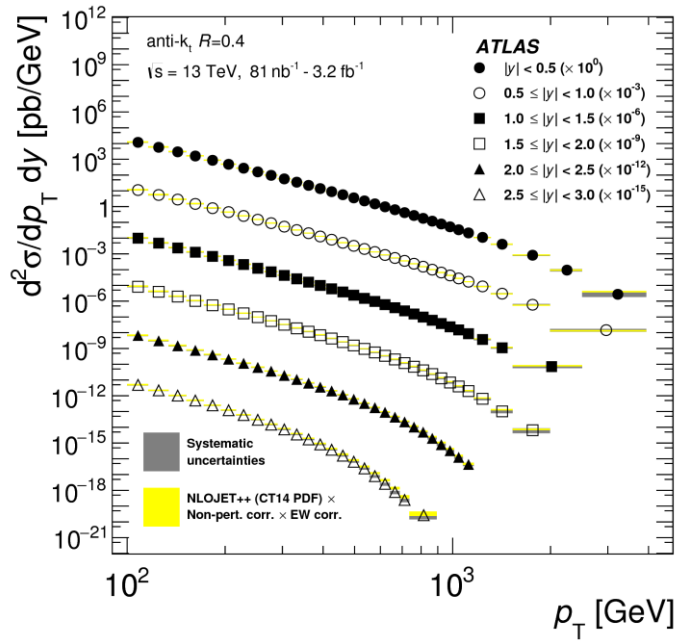


Inclusive jet cross-section

First ATLAS measurement of inclusive jet and dijet cross-section @13 TeV: p_T measured up to 3.5 TeV and m_{jj} up to 9 TeV

More info in the talk of C. Young (Wednesday)

Fair agreement of NLO prediction (corrected for non-perturbative and EW effects) with data

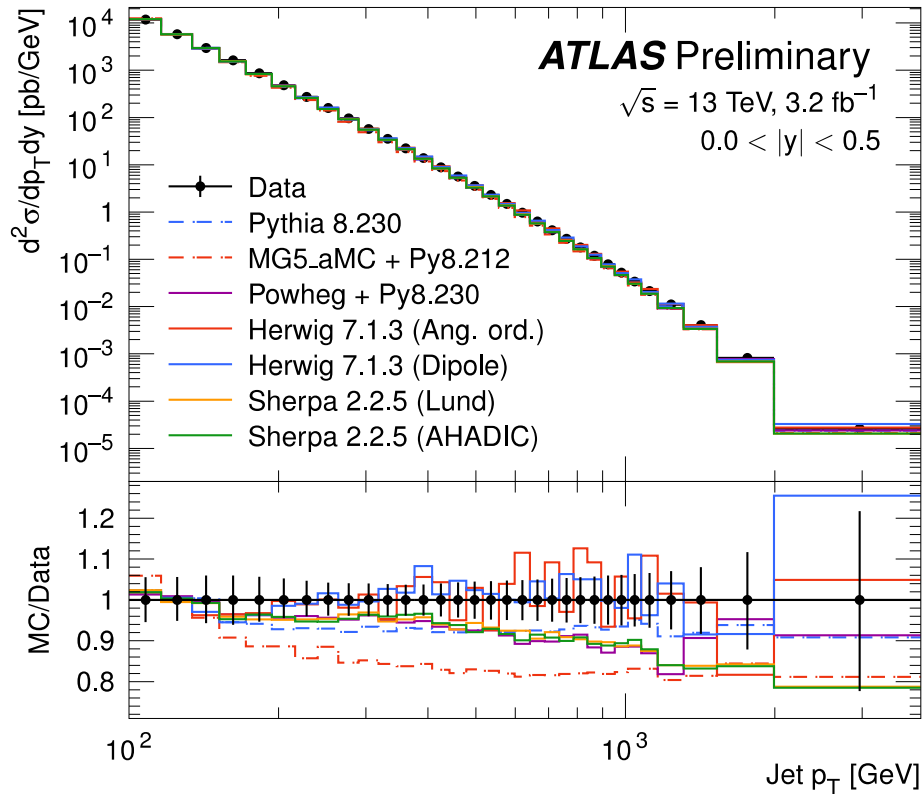


No significant difference between NLO and NNLO when p_T is used as QCD scale

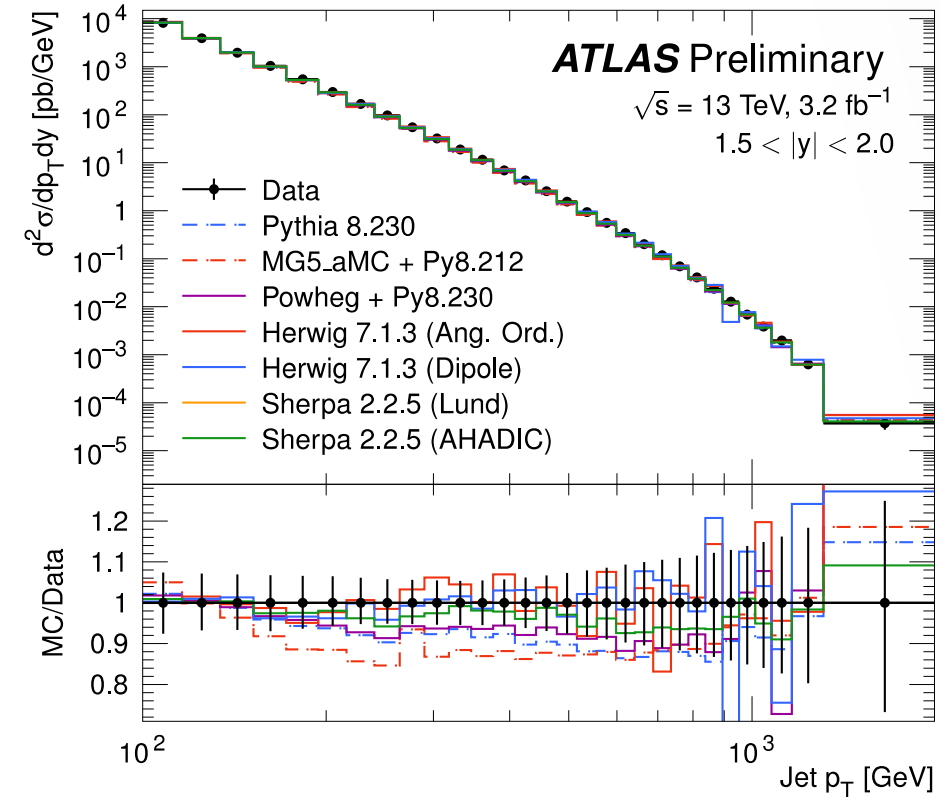
Inclusive jet cross-section



Central rapidities



Forward rapidities



Predictions normalised to data
Shape comparison

NLO Herwig7 with angular-ordered PS provides the best description of the data for all rapidity ranges,
LO Sherpa matches very well the data for forward rapidities

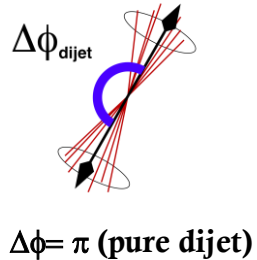
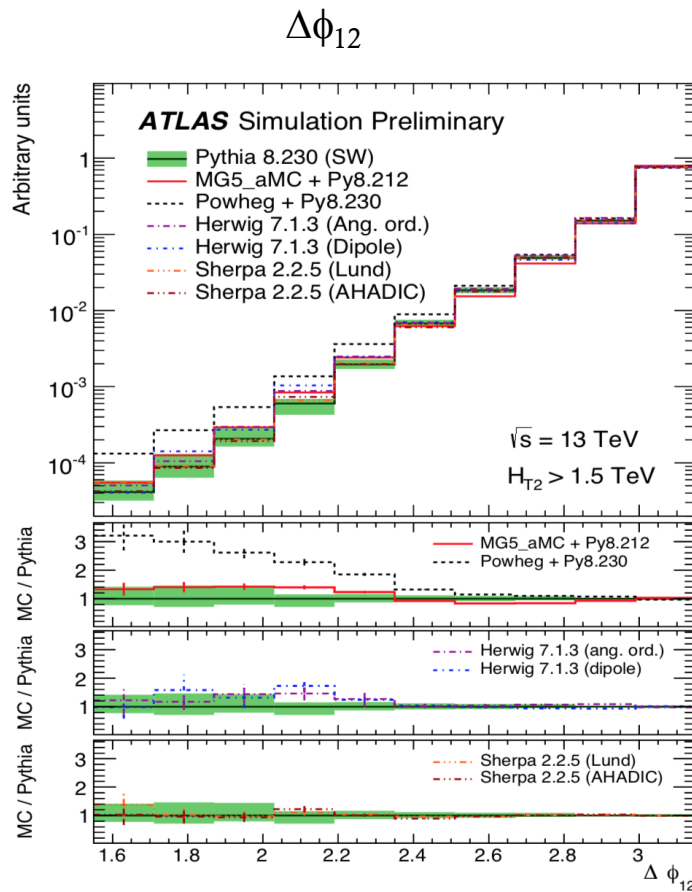
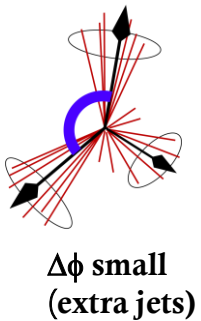
PS model impact:

Different PS models in Herwig7 (**angular-ordered PS** vs **dipole PS**) give small differences in the description of the data

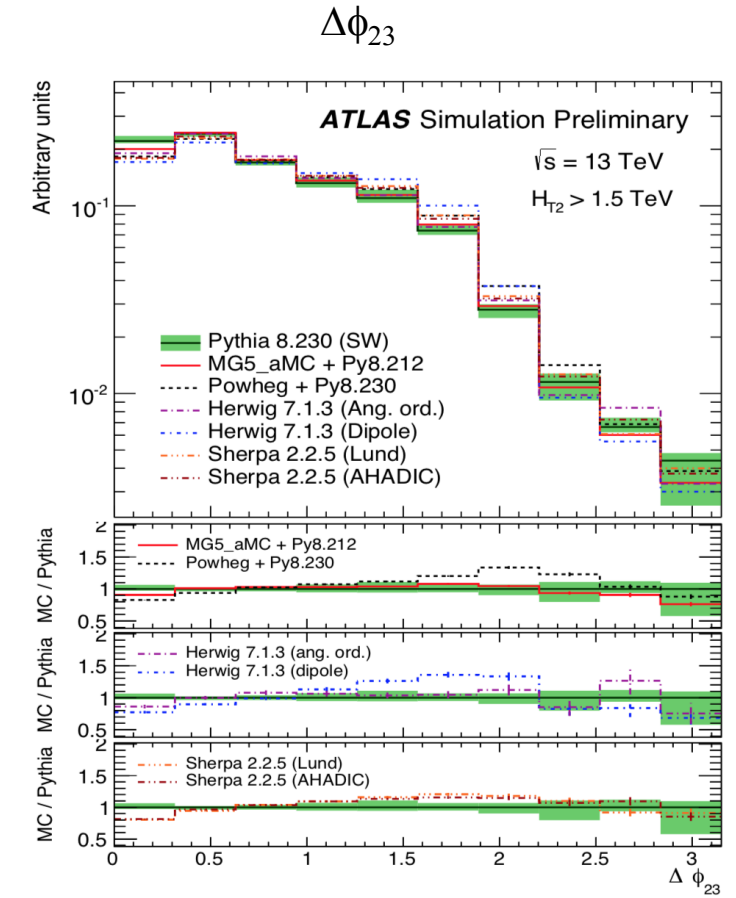
Multijet Event Topology



Azimuthal decorrelation between leading jets allows to test additional radiation emission:
 3rd jets from PS in Pythia8 and Sherpa (LO 2→2), from ME in MadGraph+Pythia8 (LO up to 4p), Herwig and Powheg+Pythia8 (NLO)



anti- k_t $R=0.4$ jets with $p_T > 100$ GeV $|\eta| < 2.5$
 and $H_{T2} = p_{T1} + p_{T2} > 1.5$ TeV



Sherpa and **MadGraph+Pythia8** give a similar description as the one of **Pythia8**.

Powheg+Pythia8 shows a much stronger decorrelation

$\Delta\phi_{23}$ sensitive to the color coherence:

Powheg+Pythia8 and **Herwig7 with dipole PS** show the larger differences with respect to Pythia8

Multijet Event Shape



Event shapes sensitive to hard gluon radiation

Transverse Energy-Energy Correlation (TEEC) = transverse energy-weighted distribution of azimuthal difference between jet pairs

$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\Sigma}{d \cos \phi} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{A=1}^N \sum_{ij} \frac{E_{Ti}^A E_{Tj}^A}{(\sum_k E_{Tk}^A)^2} \delta(\cos \phi - \cos \phi_{ij})$$

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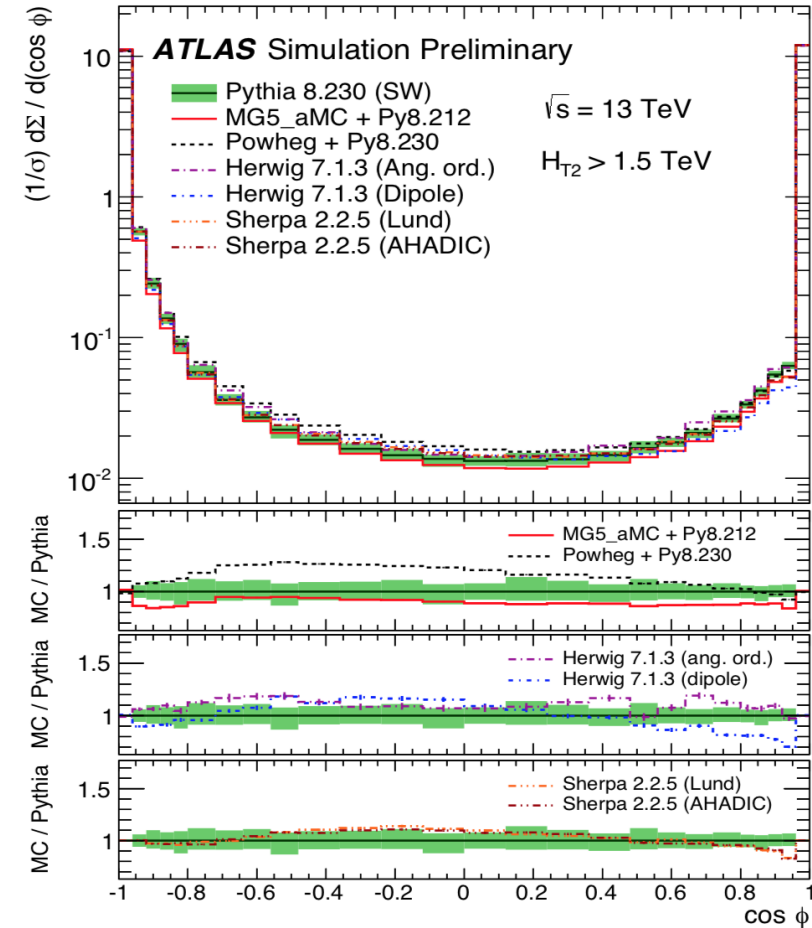
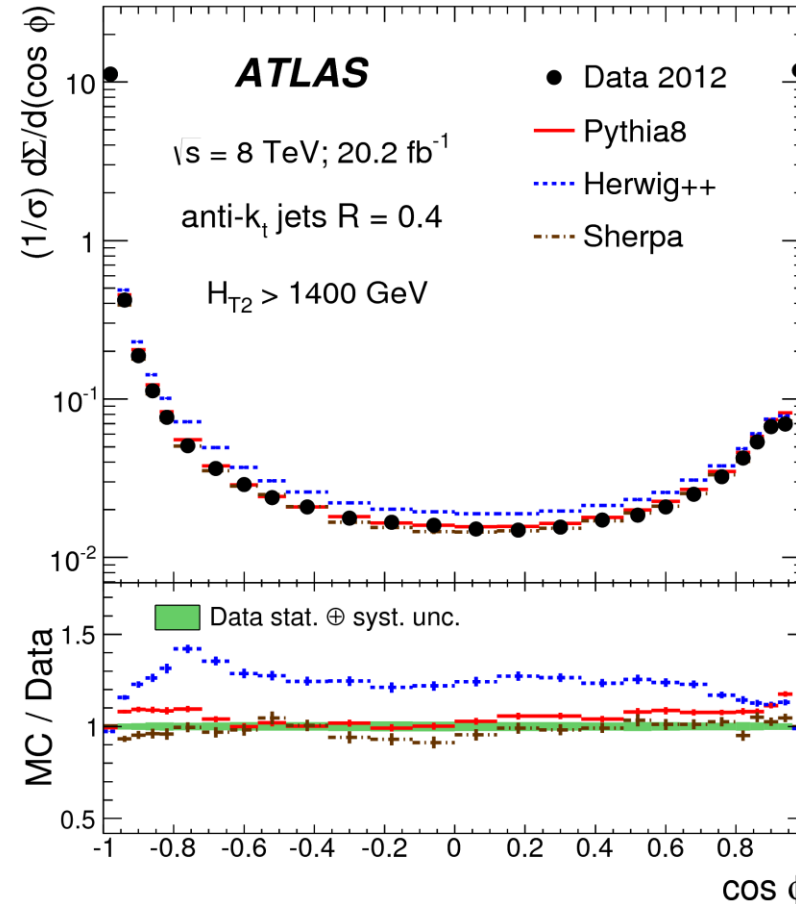
TEEC used to get α_s at various Q-scale

Data-MC@8TeV:

Pythia8 (LO 2→2) and **Sherpa 1.4** (LO up to 3 p) sufficient to provide a good description of the data, much better than **LO Herwig with angular-ordered PS (v2.5.1)**

Latest MC@13TeV

MadGraph+Pythia8 (LO up to 4 p) shows less activity in the central region than **Pythia8**, all other MCs predict slightly more large-angle radiation



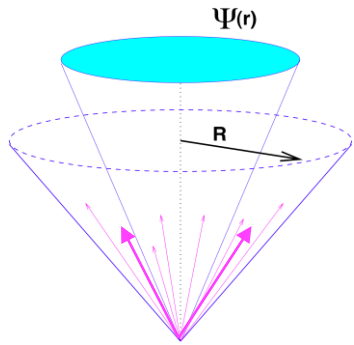
anti- k_T $R=0.4$ jets with $p_T > 100 \text{ GeV}$ $|\eta| < 2.5$ and $H_{T2} = p_{T1} + p_{T2} > 1.5 \text{ TeV}$

Multijet Jet Shape

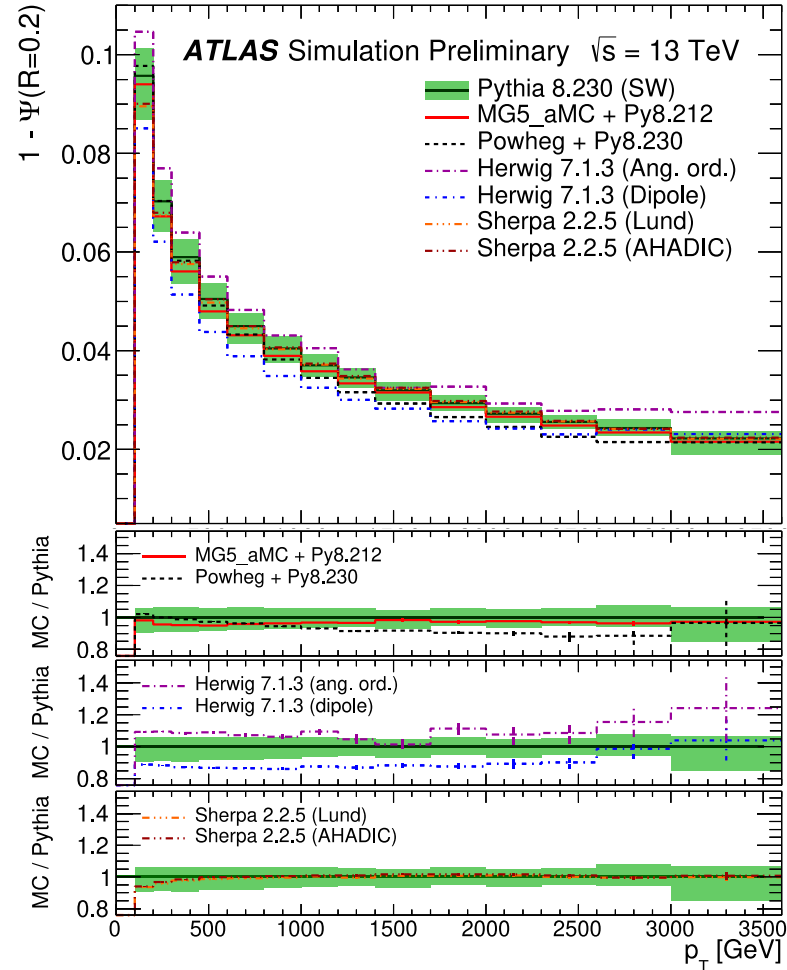


Jet shapes sensitive to soft radiation

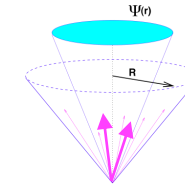
Integral Jet Shape $\Psi(r)$ = fraction of jet p_T inside a cone of radius r



Fraction of the jet p_T outside a cone of $R=0.2$ as a function of the jet p_T



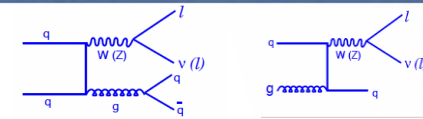
Radiation around the original parton becomes more collimated when increasing the jet p_T



anti- k_t $R=0.4$ jets with $p_T > 100$ GeV $|\eta| < 2.5$

Pythia8 (p_T ordered PS) and **Herwig7** show significant differences: **dipole PS** predicts systematically narrower jets than Pythia8, while the **angular-ordered PS** gives wider energy distributions inside the jet cone.

Z+jets



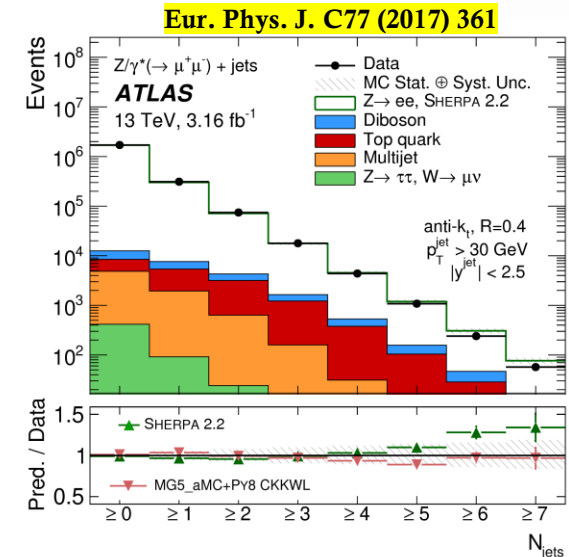
Look at leptonic decays $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu/ee$ (very clear probe)

Kinematic region with high efficiencies,
good detector performances and low backgrounds

Leptons: $p_T > 25$ GeV, $|\eta| < 2.4$ (μ) - 2.47 (e)
Z: 71 GeV $< m_{ll} < 111$ GeV
Jets: anti- k_t $R=0.4$, $p_T > 30$ GeV, $|y| < 2.5$, $\Delta R_{ij} > 0.4$

Comparisons : Data unfolded – MCs

Data unfolded – Fixed order calculations corrected for non perturbative effects



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MC	ME order (V+N partons)	PDFs of ME	PS & UE
Sherpa v2.2	NLO up to 2 p +LO up to 4 p	NNPDF3.0nnlo	PS&UE: Sherpa MEPS@NLO merging
MadGraph CKKW-L (MadGraph5_aMC@NLO v2.2.2)	LO up to 4 p	NNPDF3.0nlo	PS&UE: Pythia v8.186 CKKW-L matching and merging
MadGraph FxFx (MadGraph5_aMC@NLO v2.3.3)	NLO up to 2 p	NNPDF2.3lo	PS&UE: Pythia v8.210 Merging with FxFx prescription
Powheg MiNLO	NLO up to 1 p	CT14nnlo	PS&UE: Pythia v8.186
Alpgen	LO up to 5 p	CTEQ6L1	PS&UE: Pythia v6.426 MLM matching and merging

Fixed Order Calc	ME order	PDFs
BlackHat+Sherpa	NLO up to 4p	CT14
N_{jets} NNLO	NNLO	CT14

Z+jets: jet multiplicity

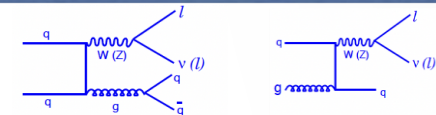
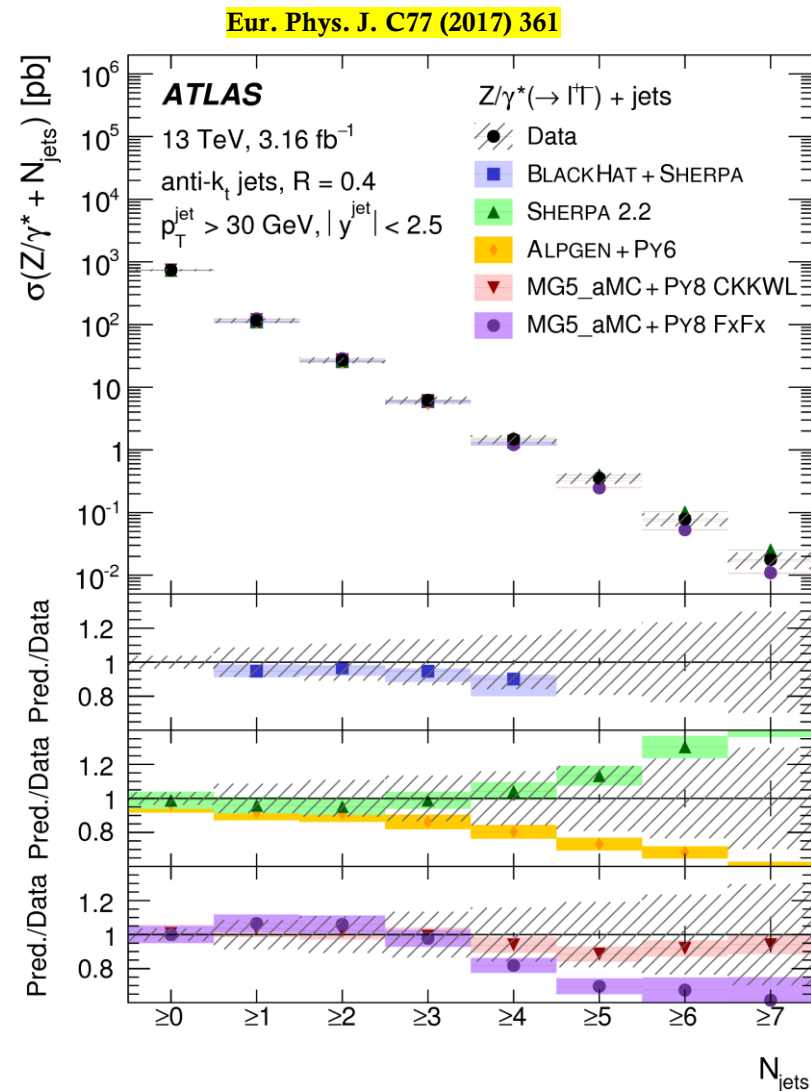
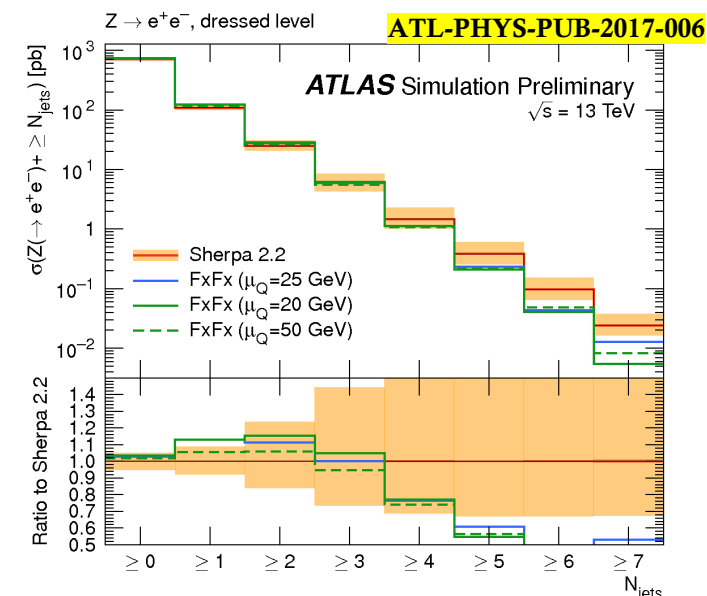


Figure of merit of goodness of QCD predictions and important discriminator with respect to the background in Higgs and searches

MadGraph+Pythia8 CKKWL (LO up to 4p) shows good agreement with data, while **Alpgen** (LO up to 5p), **Sherpa** (NLO up to 2 and LO up to 4p) and **NLO MadGraph+Pythia8 FxFx** (NLO up to 2 p) show a systematic trend deviating from data at high jet multiplicities

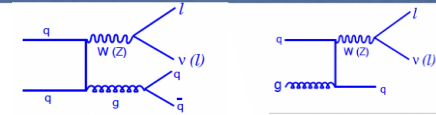


What about MC uncertainty?



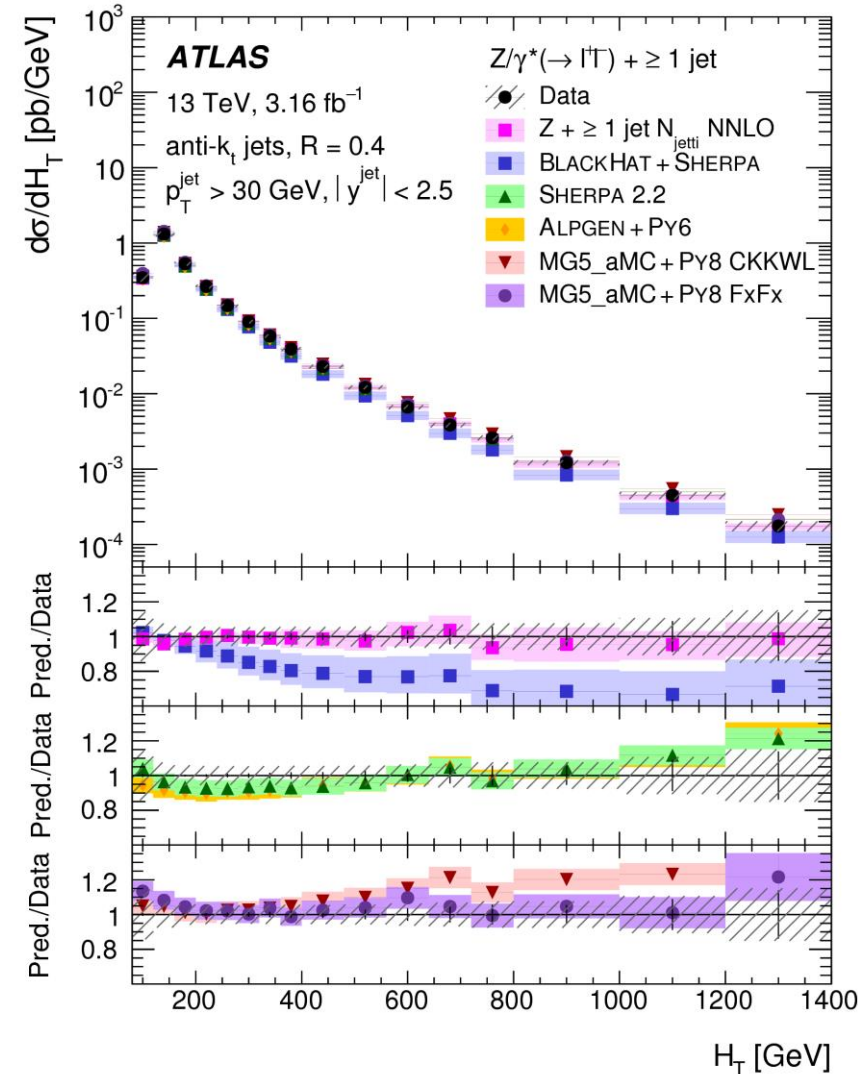
Sherpa uncertainty band (PDF + scale + statistical unc) quite large at high jet multiplicity

Z+jets: H_T

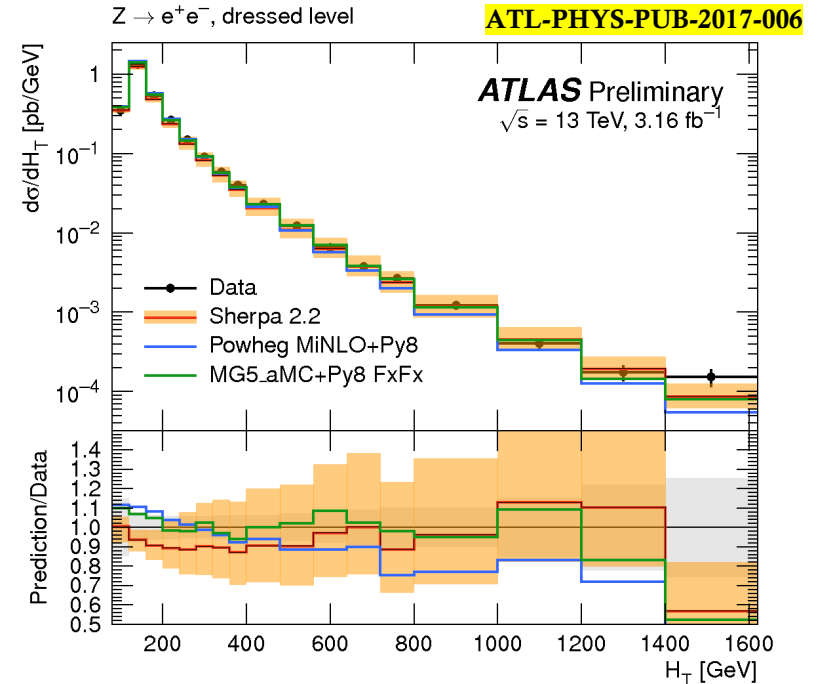


$$H_T = \sum_{leptons, jets} |p_T|$$

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What about MC uncertainty?



From 5% up to 50% using **Sherpa** (NLO up 2p and LO up to 4)

Other NLO MCs contained within Sherpa uncertainty band, expect at low H_T

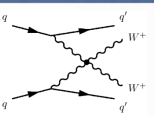
- Important for searches: signal topologies with large jet activity (discriminant with respect to SM background)

NLO calculations from BlackHat+Sherpa underestimate data

N_{jetti} NNLO recovers agreement by adding higher orders in pQCD

LO MadGraph+Pythia8 CKKWL over-predicts large H_T

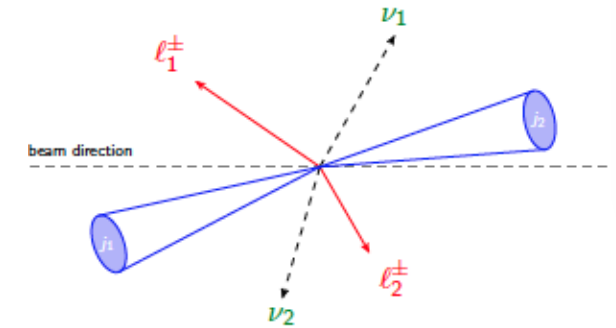
$W^\pm W^\pm + \text{jets}$: measurement



Fiducial phase-space of cross-section measurement:

- 2 isolated same-sign leptons ($e^\pm e^\pm, \mu^\pm \mu^\pm, e^\pm \mu^\pm$)
 - central and $p_T > 27$ GeV, $m_{ll} > 20$ GeV, $\Delta R_{ll} > 0.3$
- Missing $E_T > 30$ GeV
- ≥ 2 jets with $p_T^{j1} > 65$ GeV, $p_T^{j2} > 35$ GeV, $\Delta R_{jj} > 0.3$
- $|\Delta y_{jj}| > 2$
- $m_{jj} > 500$ GeV

*More info in the talk
of Francesco Conventi
(Tuesday)*



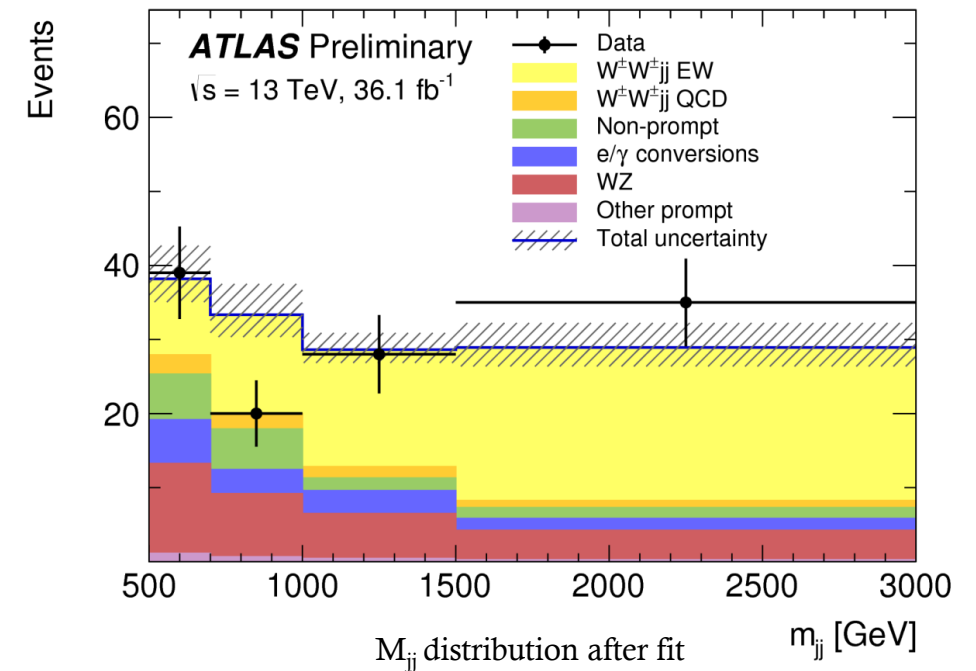
Detector level selection very close to fiducial phase-space plus additional cuts to further reject background

EW signal extracted with fit on m_{jj} distribution

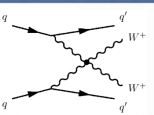
Observation of EW $W^\pm W^\pm + \text{jets}$ by ATLAS@13 TeV

background-only hypothesis rejected with an observed significance of 6.9σ

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$W^\pm W^\pm + \text{jets}$: MC configuration



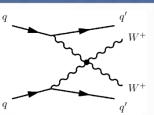
Detailed study performed recently on several MC configurations - **electroweak same-sign WWjj production**

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MC	ME order	PDFs of ME	PS & UE &Hadr Models
MadGraph (MadGraph5_aMC@NLO 2.6.2)	LO	NNPDF30nlo	Pythia8
	NLO		
	LO		Pythia 8, Dipole Recoil
	LO		Herwig7
	NLO		
Powheg	NLO	NNPDF30nlo	Pythia8
			Pythia 8, Dipole Recoil
			Herwig7
			Herwig7, Dipole Shower
Sherpa	LO (2 samples with different scales)	NNPDF30nnlo	Sherpa PS
	LO up to 1 additional parton		

Tested impact on different **ME orders** and **PS schemes**

W[±]W[±]+jets: cross-section



MC

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Leading-Order Configurations	
Sample name	σ [fb]
MG5_AMC_LO+PY8	3.106 ± 0.015
MG5_AMC_LO+PY8,Dipole Recoil	3.104 ± 0.015
MG5_AMC_LO+H7	3.016 ± 0.020
MG5_AMC_LO+H7,Dipole Shower	3.022 ± 0.017
SHERPA_LO-0	2.615 ± 0.011
SHERPA_LO-1	2.806 ± 0.046

Leading-Order Multileg Configurations (0,1 additional parton)	
Sample name	σ [fb]
SHERPA_CKKW	2.048 ± 0.013

Next-to-Leading-Order Configurations	
Sample name	σ [fb]
POWHEG +PY8	$3.122 \pm 0.023_{-0.040}^{+0.050}$ (scale) ± 0.010 (pdf)
POWHEG +PY8,Dipole Recoil	3.082 ± 0.023
POWHEG +H7	2.992 ± 0.026
POWHEG +H7,Dipole Shower	3.004 ± 0.026
MG5_AMC_NLO+H7, Γ_{resc}	$3.304 \pm 0.033_{-0.040}^{+0.050}$ (scale) ± 0.010 (pdf)
MG5_AMC_NLO+PY8, Γ_{resc}	3.345 ± 0.033

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Data

$$\sigma_{\text{fid}} = 2.91_{-0.47}^{+0.51} (\text{stat.}) \pm 0.27 (\text{syst.}) \text{ fb}$$

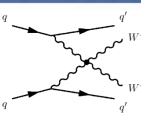
Powheg (NLO) and all **MadGraph** (LO and NLO) configurations agree within 10% while **Sherpa** (LO and LO up to 1 additional p) predicts lower cross-sections

Difference of NLO calculations (**MadGraph** and **Powheg**) of $\sim 10\%$, larger than their own $\pm 2\%$ uncertainty (scale+PDF+ statistical unc), absence of the s-channel diagrams in the Powheg configuration

Impact of changes in the PS (Pythia8 vs Herwig7) is at most of 5%

Data in agreement with **Powheg** and **MadGraph** and about 1σ higher than **Sherpa**

$W^\pm W^\pm + \text{jets}$: differential distributions



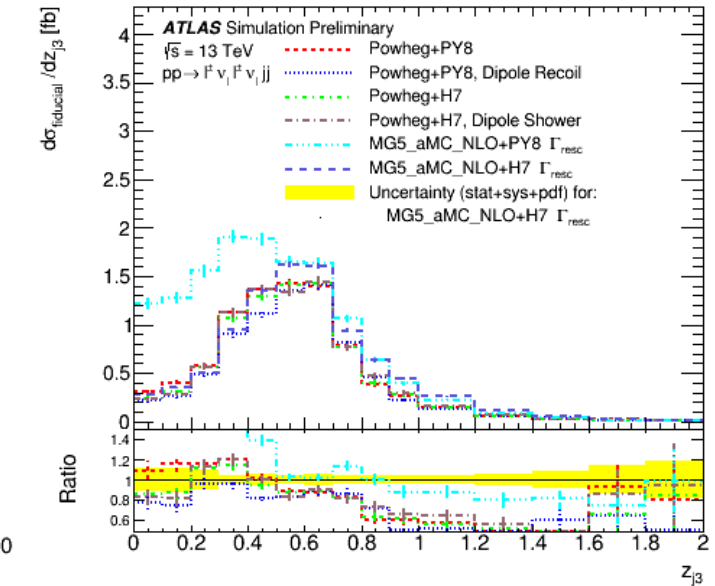
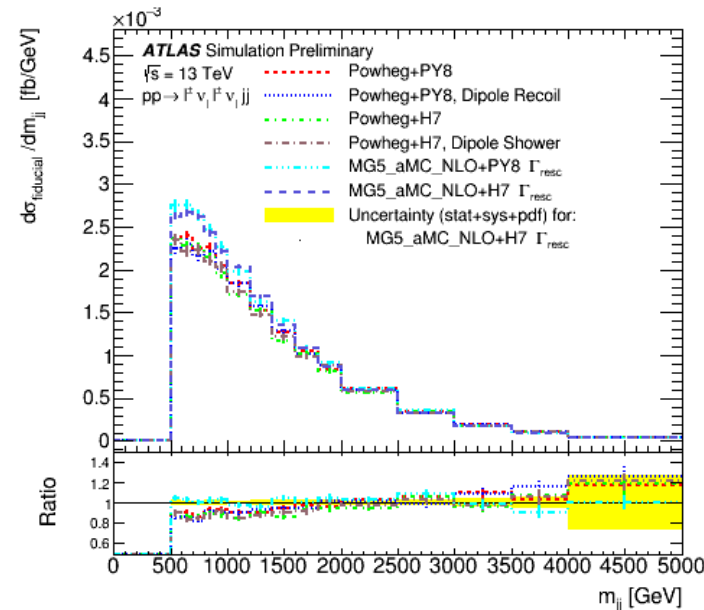
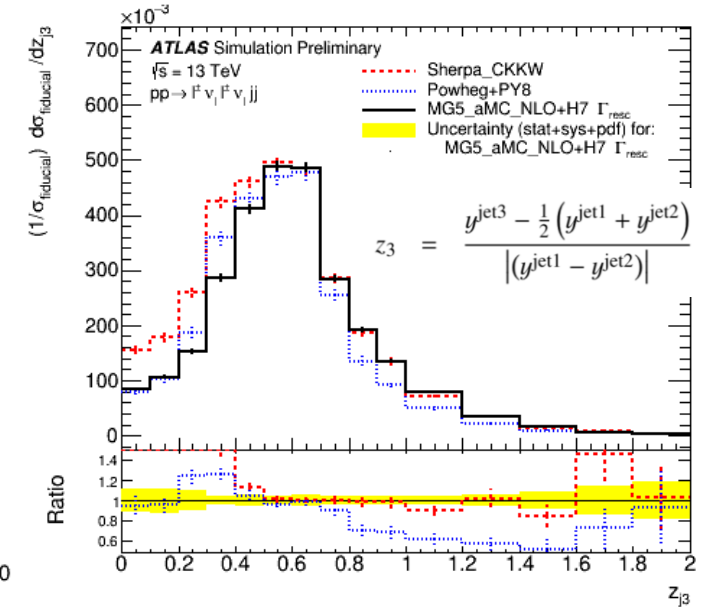
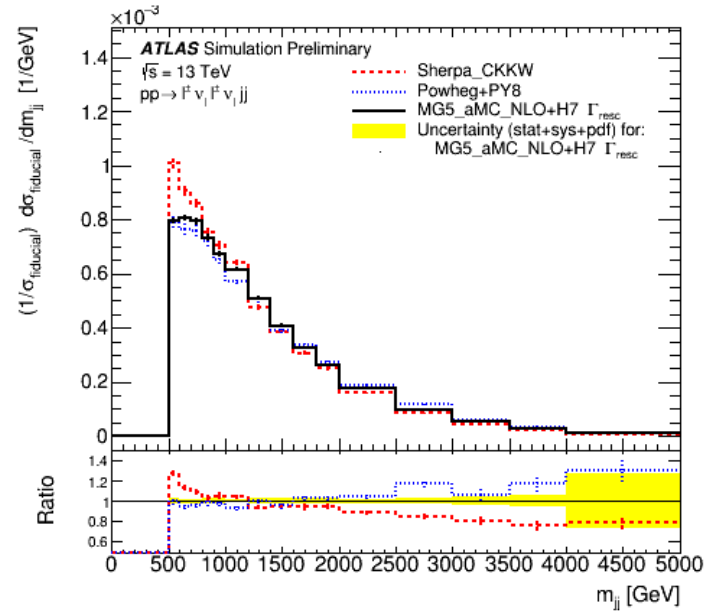
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NLO MCs (**Powheg** and **Madgraph**)
produce harder m_{jj} spectra than LO MCs (**Sherpa**)

Differences between Sherpa and Powheg
up to 40% at high m_{jj}

Zeppenfeld variable of 3rd jet
found important difference among generators

Impact on PS choice studied for NLO Powheg
and Madgraph:
small effects for m_{jj} , while large effects for z_{j3}



Conclusions



Good **MC modelling** is central for producing **high-profile physics results at LHC**

ATLAS Collaboration is investing a **huge effort** in studying several MC configurations for several physics processes, testing impact of several aspects: ME+PS matching, PS modelling, hadronisation modelling, with the aim of identifying a **baseline MC modelling as-good-as-possible and with a reasonable uncertainty**

→ Best approach to push on new improvements on MC market (all our publications come with a Rivet routines to facilitate comparison of our measurements with latest MC setups)

Shown today 3 cases focused on jet modelling: **multijets, V+jets in QCD domain and VV+jets in EW-dominated regions**

In general found good agreement data-MC and among different MCs in intermediate phase-space regions, while in some cases important differences found in extreme phase-space regions (i.e. high m_{jj} and H_T) or in cases dominated by additional radiation (i.e. modelling of z_{j3} or high jet multiplicity)



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Multijet MC configuration

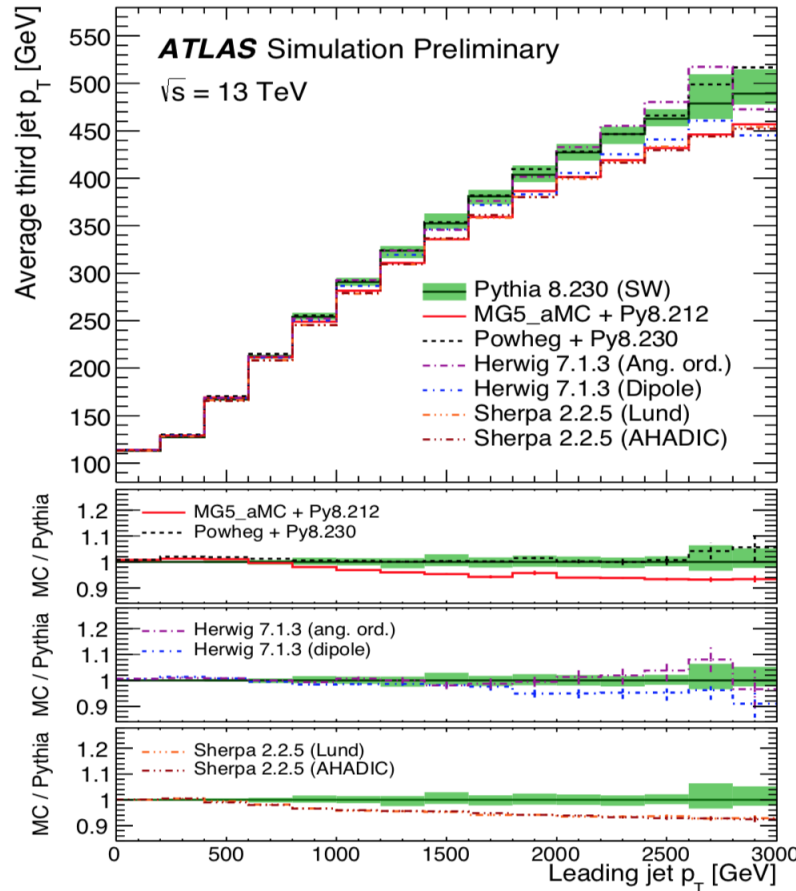


MC	ME order	PS & UE &Hadr Models	PDFs of ME	$\mu_R \mu_F$	PS&MPI tunes
Pythia 8.230	LO 2→2	p _T -ordered PS Lund model for Hadr	NNPDF23LO	$m_{T_3} \cdot m_{T_4} = \sqrt{(p_T^2 + m_3^2)(p_T^2 + m_4^2)}$	A14 tune
MG5_aMC@NLO+Pythia8 (MadGraph5_aMC@NLO 2.3.3.1)	LO up to 4 part	PS&Hadr: Pythia8.212 Merging with CKKW-L prescriptions, merging scale=30 GeV	NNPDF30NLO	m _T of 2→2 process	ATLAS A14 (NNPDF23LO)
Herwig 7.1.3	NLO dijets (Matchbox)	Angular-ordered PS Matching with MC@NLO-like algorithm Cluster model for Had	MMHT2014NLO	p _T leading jet	Dedicated tune
		Dipole PS Matching with MC@NLO-like algorithm Cluster model for Had		p _T leading jet	Dedicated tune
Sherpa 2.2.5	LO 2→2	p _T -ordered PS with CSS Sherpa Sherpa AHADIC model for Hadr based on cluster fragm	CT14NNLO		Dedicate tune
		p _T -ordered PS with CSS Sherpa Lund model for had with Pythia6.4			CT10 for MPI
Powheg-Box V2 r3480	NLO dijets	PS&MPI: Pythia 8.230	NNPDF30NLO	p _T of Born configuration	A14 tune (NNPDF23LO)

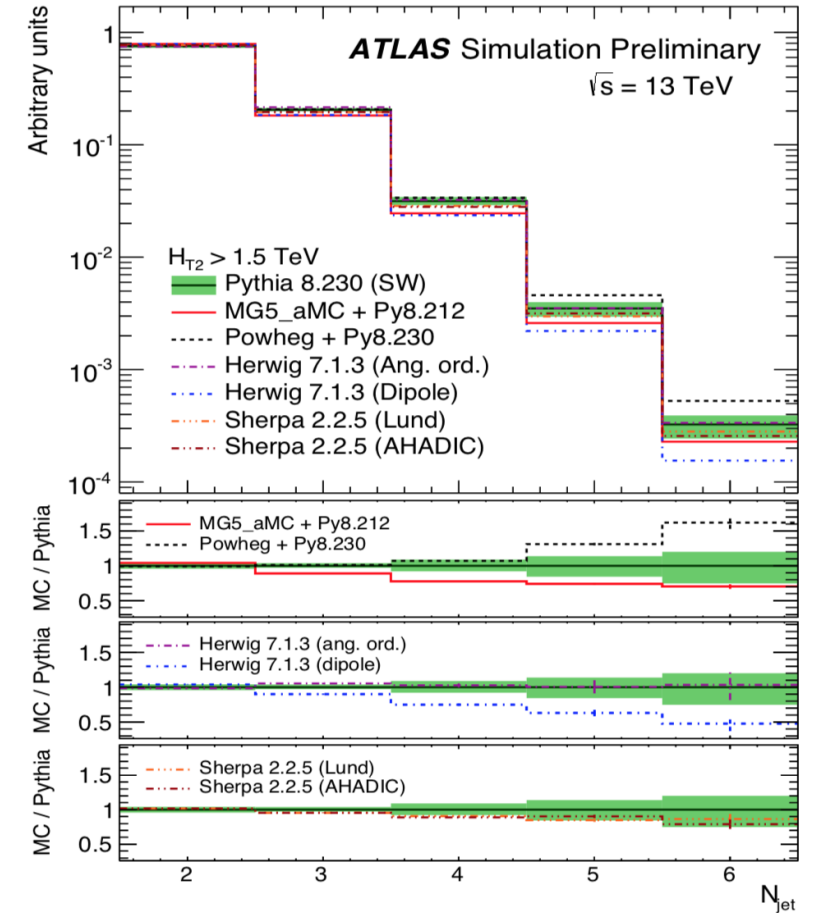
Multijet Event Topology



3rd jets from PS in Pythia8 and Sherpa (LO 2→2), from ME in Madgraph+Pythia8 (LO up to 4p), Herwig and Powheg+Pythia8 (NLO)



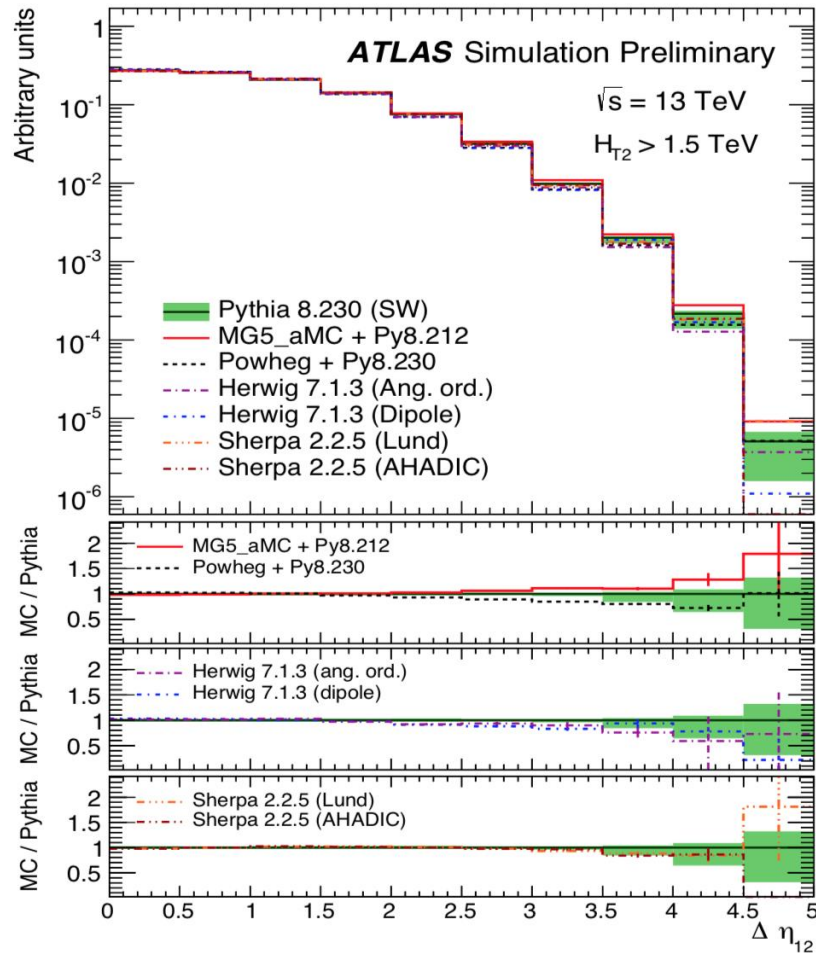
anti- k_t $R=0.4$ jets with $p_T > 100 \text{ GeV}$ $|\eta| < 2.5$
 and $H_{T2} = p_{T1} + p_{T2} > 1.5 \text{ TeV}$



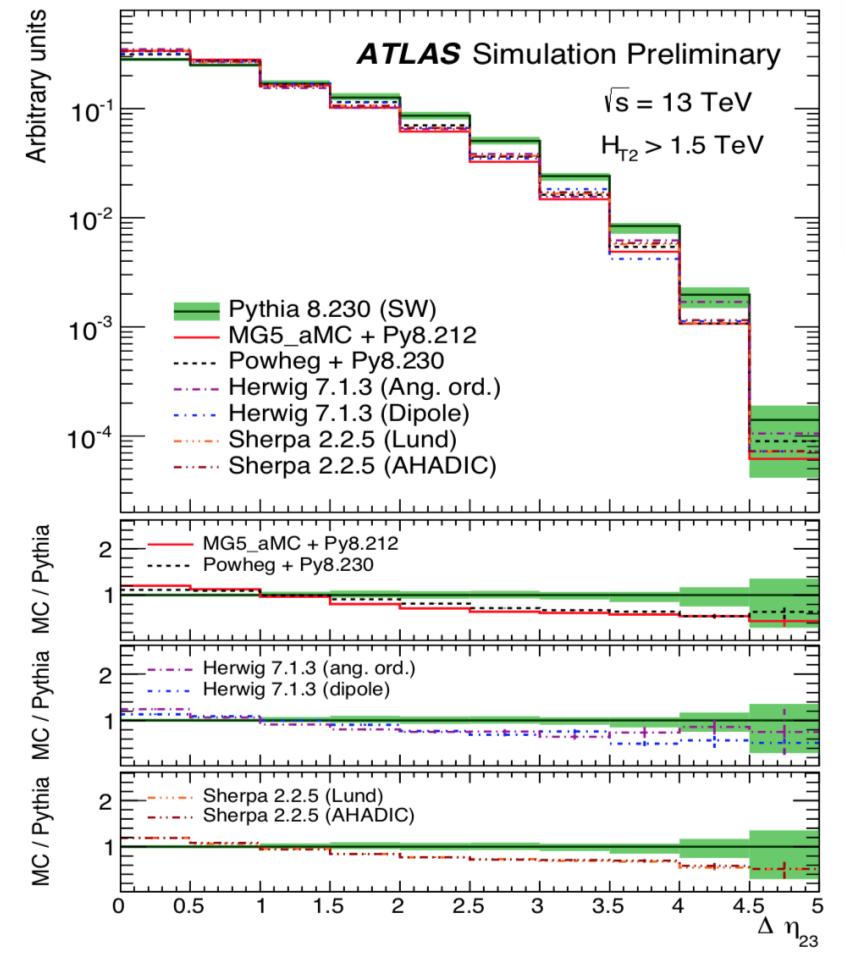
MadGraph+Pythia8 and **Sherpa** predict softer emissions than **Pythia8**

Herwig7 with dipole PS predicts a smaller N_{jet} than **Pythia8**, **angular-ordered PS** and **Sherpa** in agreement with Pythia8 within PS unc. **MadGraph+Pythia8** in the middle between Pythia8 and **Herwig7 dipole PS**. **Powheg** predicts larger N_{jet}

Multijet Event Topology



anti- k_t $R=0.4$ jets with $p_T > 100 \text{ GeV}$ $|\eta| < 2.5$



All MCs show a quite similar behaviour

$\Delta \eta_{23}$ shows significant differences among generators:
Pythia8 predicts systematically larger $\Delta \eta_{23}$ than others,
differences of up to 50%.

Multijet Event Shape

Event shapes sensitive to hard gluon radiation

Transverse Energy-Energy Correlation (TEEC) = transverse energy-weighted distribution of azimuthal difference between jet pairs

$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\Sigma}{d \cos \phi} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{A=1}^N \sum_{ij} \frac{E_{Ti}^A E_{Tj}^A}{\left(\sum_k E_{Tk}^A\right)^2} \delta(\cos \phi - \cos \phi_{ij})$$

Asymmetry between the forward and backward part of TEEC (**ATEEC**)

$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\Sigma^{asym}}{d \cos \phi} \equiv \frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\Sigma}{d \cos \phi} \Big|_{\phi} - \frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\Sigma}{d \cos \phi} \Big|_{\pi-\phi}$$

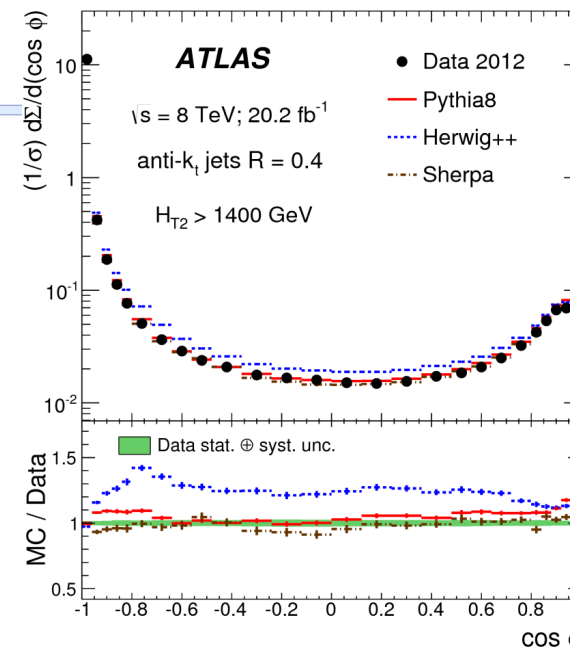
TEEC and ATEEC used to get α_s at various Q-scale

Data-MC@8TeV:

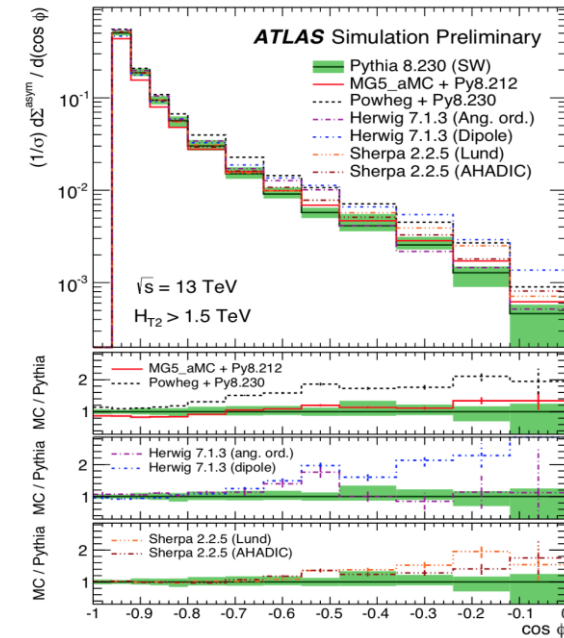
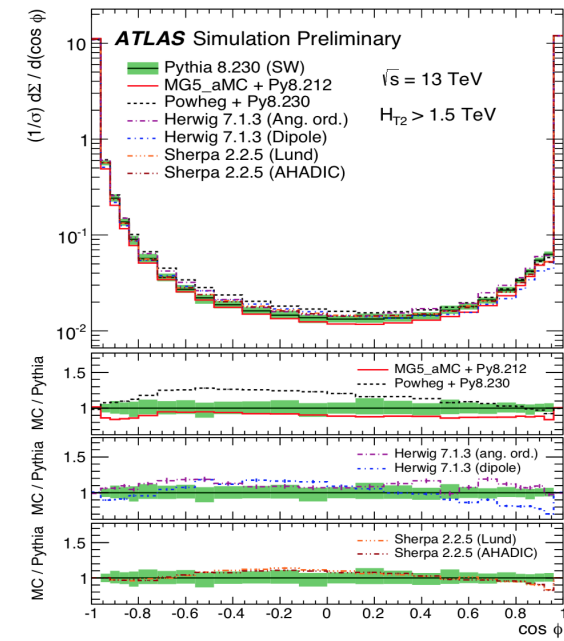
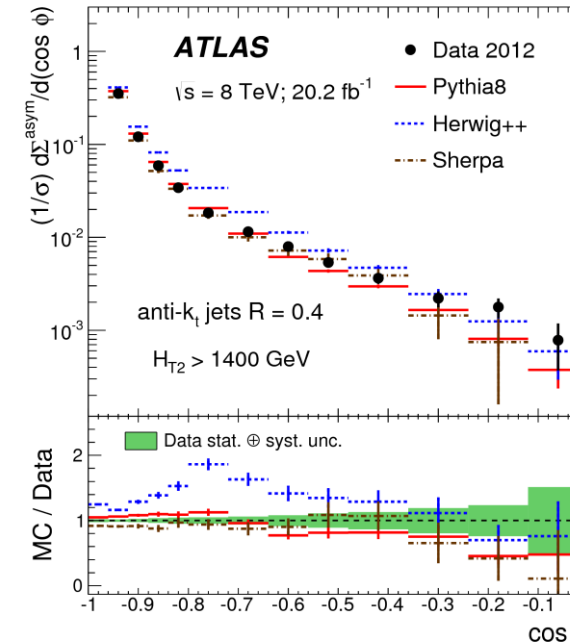
Pythia8 (LO 2→2) and **Sherpa 1.4** (LO up to 3 p) sufficient to provide a good description of the data, much better than **LO Herwig with angular-ordered PS (v2.5.1)**

Latest MC@13TeV

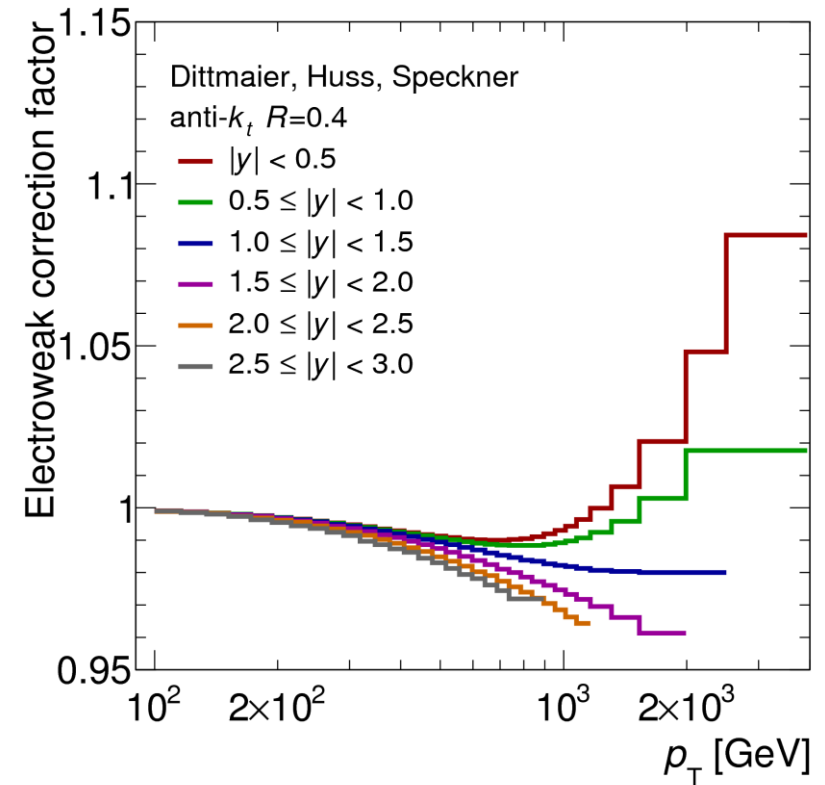
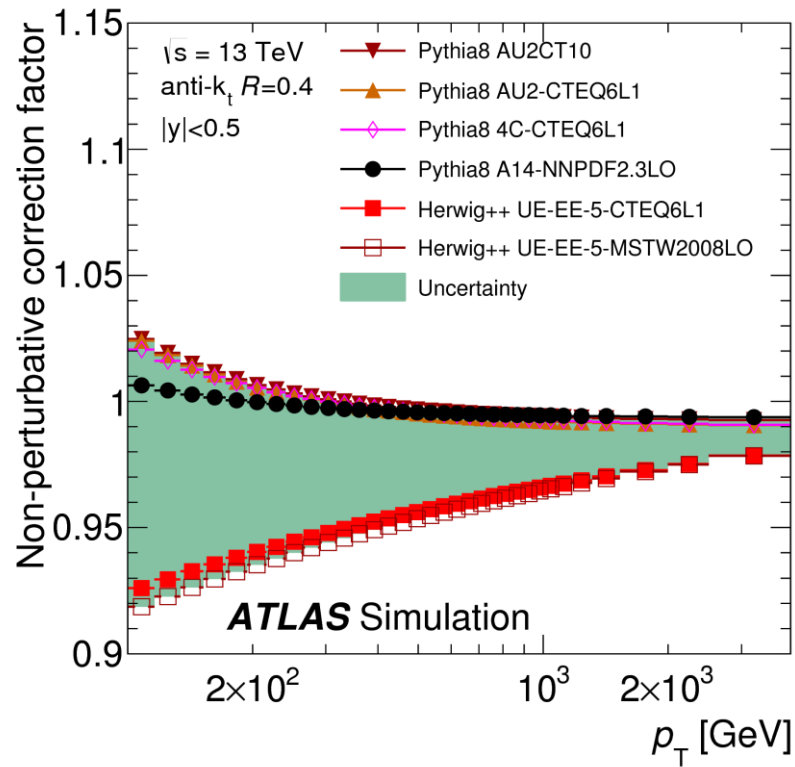
Herwig7 (NLO), **Powheg+Pythia8 (NLO)** and **Sherpa** (LO 2→2) predict more large-angle radiation than **Pythia8** (LO 2→2), **MadGraph+Pythia8** (LO up to 4 p) shows less activity in the central region



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Inclusive jet cross-section



	CTEQ6L1 [67]	CTEQ6L1 [67]	MSTW2008LO [68]	CT10	NNPDF2.3LO	NNPDF2.3LO	CTEQ6L1 [67]
PYTHIA 8	4C [69]	AU2 [70]	A14 [30]	AU2 [70]	MONASH [71]	A14 [30]	A14 [30]
Herwig++	UE-EE-5 [72, 73]	UE-EE-4 [72, 73]	UE-EE-5 [72, 73]				

Default

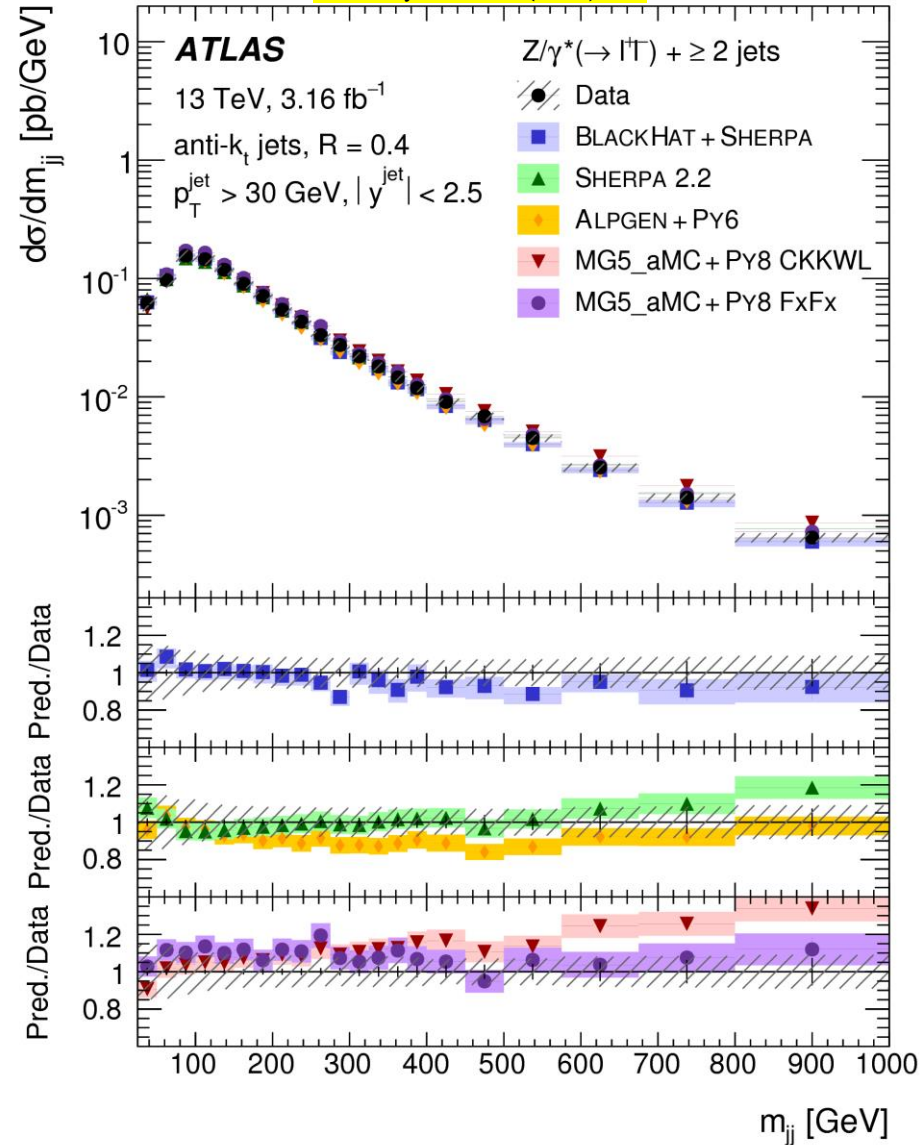


MC	ME order (V+N partons)	PDFs of ME	PS & UE	PS & UE tunes
Sherpa v2.2	NLO up to 2 p +LO up to 4 p	NNPDF3.0nnlo	PS&UE: Sherpa MEPS@NLO merging Matching scale= 20 GeV	Dedicated Sherpa tune
MadGraph CKKW-L (MadGraph5_aMC@NLO v2.2.2)	LO up to 4 p	NNPDF3.0nlo	PS&UE: Pythia v8.186 CKKW-L matching and merging Merging scale= 30 GeV	A14 tune (NNPDF23lo)
MadGraph FxFx (MadGraph5_aMC@NLO v2.3.3)	NLO up to 2 p	NNPDF2.3lo	PS&UE: Pythia v8.210 Merging with FxFx prescription Merging scale = 25 GeV	A14 tune (NNPDF2.3lo)
Powheg MiNLO	NLO up to 1 p	CT14nnlo	PS&UE: Pythia v8.186	AZNLO tune (CTEQ6 L1)
Alpgen	LO up to 5 p	CTEQ6L1	PS&UE: Pythia v6.426 MLM matching and merging Matching scale= 20 GeV	Perugia2011C

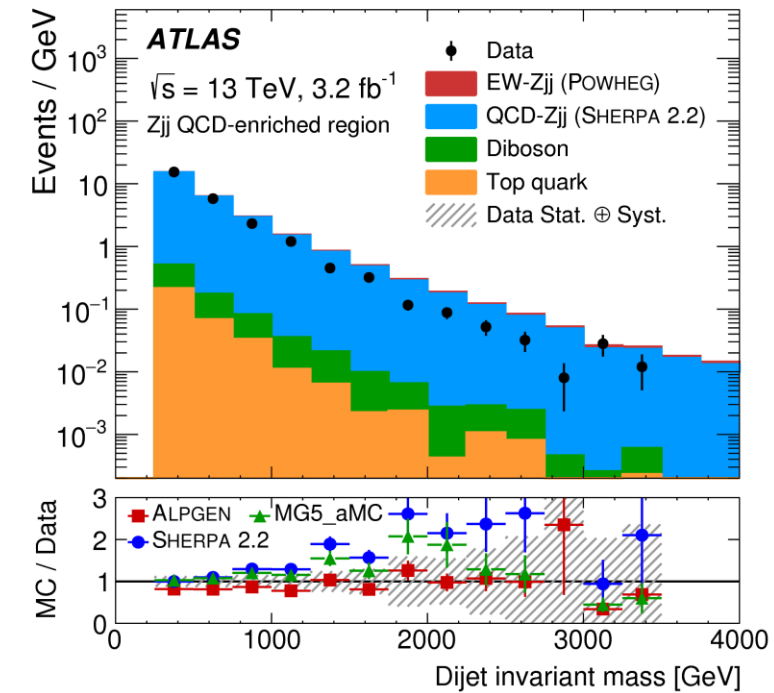
Z+jets: m_{jj}



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Events with at least 2 jets with $p_T > 55, 45 \text{ GeV}$ $|y| < 4.4$ $M_{jj} > 250 \text{ GeV}$ and at least 1 additional jet in the gap

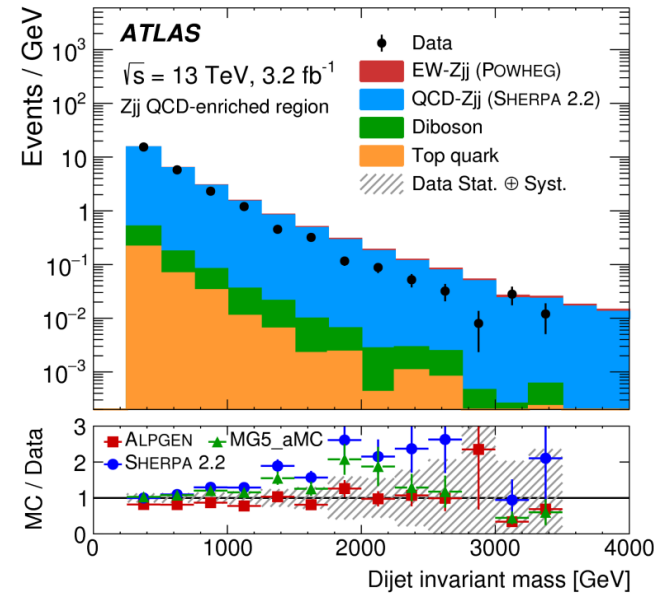
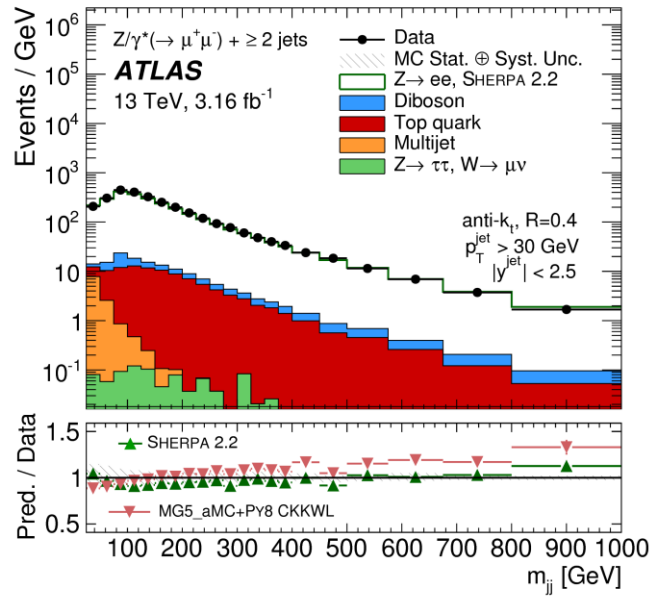
Quite good modelling at low values, in the high mass range
LO MadGraph+Pythia8 CKKWL predicts an harder m_{jj}

Similar trend also for **NLO Sherpa** exploring up to very high mass range and up to large rapidity separation

Z+jets: m_{jj}



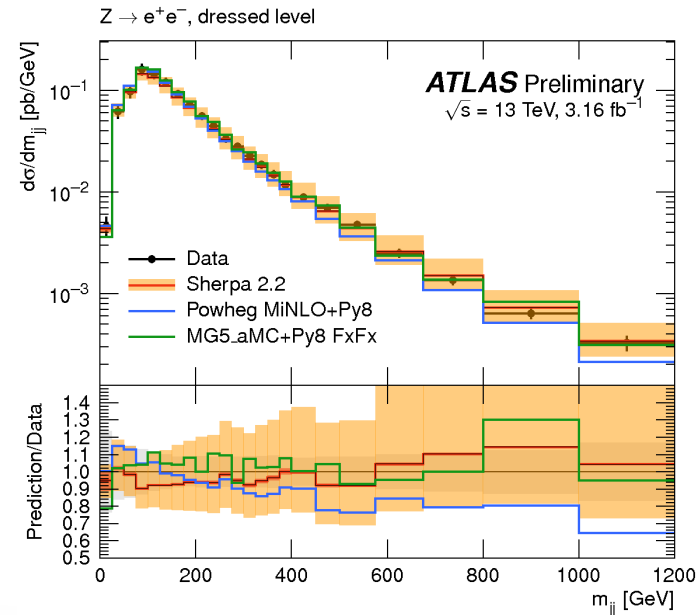
Detector level



Events with at least 2 jets
 with $p_T > 55, 45$ GeV $|y| < 4.4$
 $M_{jj} > 250$ GeV and
 at least 1 additional jet in

Particle level

Sherpa uncertainty band shown



$W^\pm W^\pm + \text{jets}$

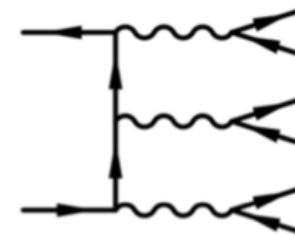


Leading-Order Configurations				
Sample name	Contributions	μ -scale	Shower	Tune
MG5_AMC_LO+PY8	s, t, u	dynamic scale= $\sqrt{p_T^{\text{jet1}} p_T^{\text{jet2}}}$	PYTHIA 8.235	A14
MG5_AMC_LO+PY8, Dipole Recoil	s, t, u	dynamic scale= $\sqrt{p_T^{\text{jet1}} p_T^{\text{jet2}}}$	PYTHIA 8.235	A14, Dipole Recoil
MG5_AMC_LO+H7	s, t, u	dynamic scale= $\sqrt{p_T^{\text{jet1}} p_T^{\text{jet2}}}$	HERWIG 7.1.3	H7.1-Default
MG5_AMC_LO+H7, Dipole Shower	s, t, u	dynamic scale= $\sqrt{p_T^{\text{jet1}} p_T^{\text{jet2}}}$	HERWIG 7.1.3	H7.1-Default, Dipole Shower
SHERPA_LO-0	s, t, u	dynamic scale = diboson invariant mass	SHERPA v2.2.2	default
SHERPA_LO-1	s, t, u	dynamic scale= $\sqrt{p_T^{\text{jet1}} p_T^{\text{jet2}}}$	SHERPA v2.2.2	default

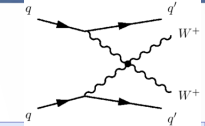
Leading-Order Multileg Configurations (0,1 additional parton)				
Sample name	Contributions	μ -scale	Shower	Tune
SHERPA_CKKW	s, t, u	dynamic scale = diboson invariant mass	SHERPA v2.2.2	default

Next-to-Leading-Order Configurations				
Sample name	Contributions	μ -scale	Shower	Tune
POWHEG +PY8	t, u	fixed scale= m_W	PYTHIA 8.212	AZNLO
POWHEG +PY8, Dipole Recoil	t, u	fixed scale= m_W	PYTHIA 8.235	AZNLO, Dipole Recoil
POWHEG +H7	t, u	fixed scale= m_W	HERWIG 7.1.3	H7.1-Default
POWHEG +H7, Dipole Shower	t, u	fixed scale= m_W	HERWIG 7.1.3	H7.1-Default, Dipole Shower
MG5_AMC_NLO+H7, Γ_{resc}	s, t, u	dynamic scale= $\sqrt{p_T^{\text{jet1}} p_T^{\text{jet2}}}$	HERWIG 7.1.3	H7.1-Default
MG5_AMC_NLO+PY8, Γ_{resc}	s, t, u	dynamic scale= $\sqrt{p_T^{\text{jet1}} p_T^{\text{jet2}}}$	PYTHIA 8.235	A14

Example of missing processes in Powheg:



W[±]W[±]+jets: cross-section



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Leading-Order Configurations	
Sample name	σ [fb]
MG5_AMC_LO+PY8	3.106 ± 0.015
MG5_AMC_LO+PY8,Dipole Recoil	3.104 ± 0.015
MG5_AMC_LO+H7	3.016 ± 0.020
MG5_AMC_LO+H7,Dipole Shower	3.022 ± 0.017
SHERPA_LO-0	2.615 ± 0.011
SHERPA_LO-1	2.806 ± 0.046

Leading-Order Multileg Configurations (0,1 additional parton)	
Sample name	σ [fb]
SHERPA_CKKW	2.048 ± 0.013

Next-to-Leading-Order Configurations	
Sample name	σ [fb]
POWHEG +PY8	$3.122 \pm 0.023^{+0.050}_{-0.040}$ (scale) ± 0.010 (pdf)
POWHEG +PY8,Dipole Recoil	3.082 ± 0.023
POWHEG +H7	2.992 ± 0.026
POWHEG +H7,Dipole Shower	3.004 ± 0.026
MG5_AMC_NLO+H7, Γ_{resc}	$3.304 \pm 0.033^{+0.050}_{-0.040}$ (scale) ± 0.010 (pdf)
MG5_AMC_NLO+PY8, Γ_{resc}	3.345 ± 0.033

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Data

$$\sigma_{\text{fid}} = 2.91^{+0.51}_{-0.47} (\text{stat.}) \pm 0.27 (\text{syst.}) \text{ fb}$$

Powheg (NLO) and all **MadGraph (LO and NLO)**

configurations agree within 10% while

Sherpa (LO and LO up to 1 additional p.) predicts lower cross-sections.

Sherpa LO: central emission excess from PS due to not optimal color flow setup; **Sherpa LO up to 1 add. part. (CKKW)**: fixed central emission, but cross-section reduction from suppression of spuriously large Sudakov factors

Difference of NLO calculations (MadGraph and Powheg)

of $\sim 10\%$, larger than their own $\pm 2\%$ uncertainty (scale+PDF+ statistical unc), absence of the s-channel diagrams in the Powheg configuration.

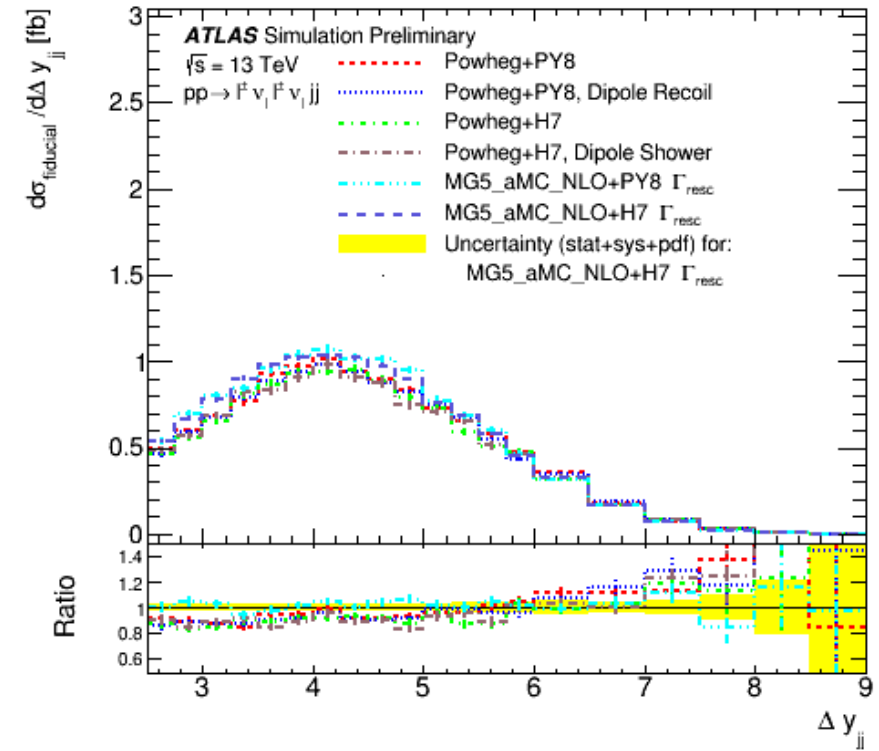
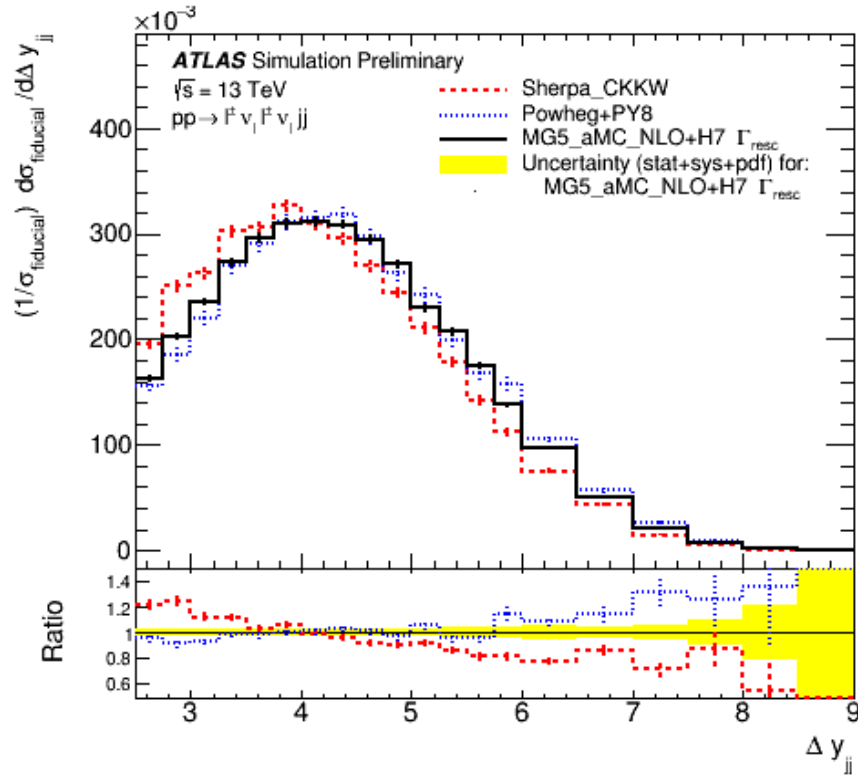
Impact of changes in the PS (Pythia8 vs Herwig7)

is at most of 5%.

Data includes W[±]W[±]jj electroweak plus interference with W[±]W[±]jj strong, predictions not include interference with the strong production (+6%) and NLO EW corrections (-16%)

Data in agreement with **Powheg** and **MadGraph** and about 1σ higher than **Sherpa**

$W^\pm W^\pm + \text{jets}: \Delta y_{jj}$



Sherpa predicts a slightly narrower Δy_{jj} distribution difference up to 20% around $\Delta y_{jj} = 2.0$ (fiducial cut)

$W^\pm W^\pm jj$: Signal & Background



Further background reduction (applied only at detector level):

- additional leptons veto events → reduce **background with prompt leptons**
- Z veto in ee final state → reduce Z+jets background from charge mis-ID
- veto events containing b-jets → reduce ttbar

Non-prompt lepton backgrounds (W+jets, ttbar (semi-leptonic), dijet) with data-driven technique in control region with a 50-90% uncertainty, dominant one pre-fit

Electron charge mis-identification & prompt photon conversions:

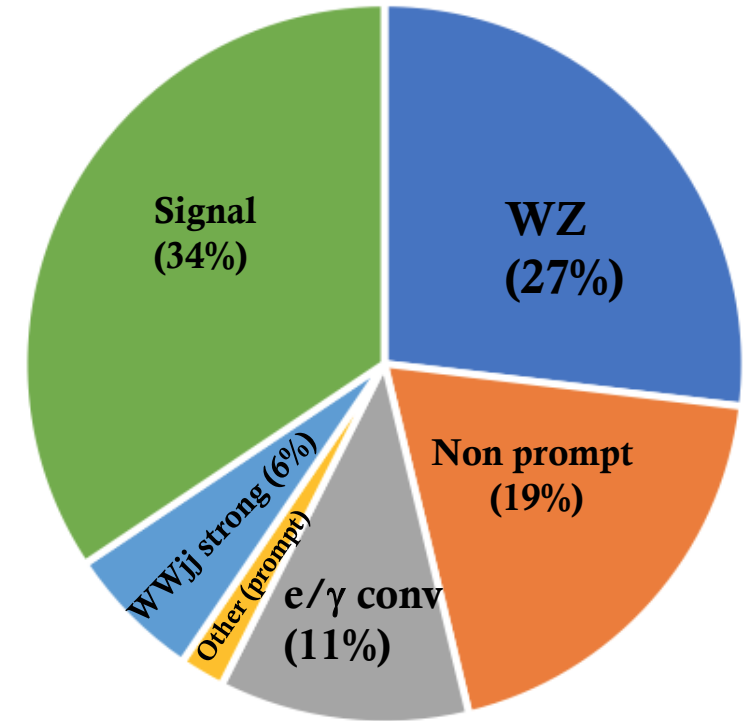
- Electron charge mis-ID (Z+jets, W^+W^- , ttbar (di-leptonic)) with data-driven technique
- Prompt photon conversion: $W\gamma$ from MC with normalization from control region

Prompt backgrounds:

WZ from MC with normalization from a trilepton control region
strong $W^\pm W^\pm jj$ subtracted as background.

A total of 122 candidate events is observed for a background expectation of 78 ± 15 events before the fit

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Expected Signal and background composition before fit

$W^\pm W^\pm jj$: the observation



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Analysis performed in **six channels**:

e^+e^+ , $\mu^+\mu^+$, $e^+\mu^+$ and e^-e^- , $\mu^-\mu^-$, $e^-\mu^-$

Signal extracted in a **binned fit** to m_{jj} distributions
(4 bins) in signal region ($m_{jj} > 500\text{GeV}$) and
control regions ($200 < m_{jj} < 500\text{GeV}$)
dominated by WZ and non-prompt lepton background

**The background-only hypothesis is rejected
with an observed significance of 6.9σ**

Measured signal strength parameter:

$$\mu = 1.45^{+0.25}_{-0.24} (\text{stat.})^{+0.13}_{-0.14} (\text{sys.})$$

