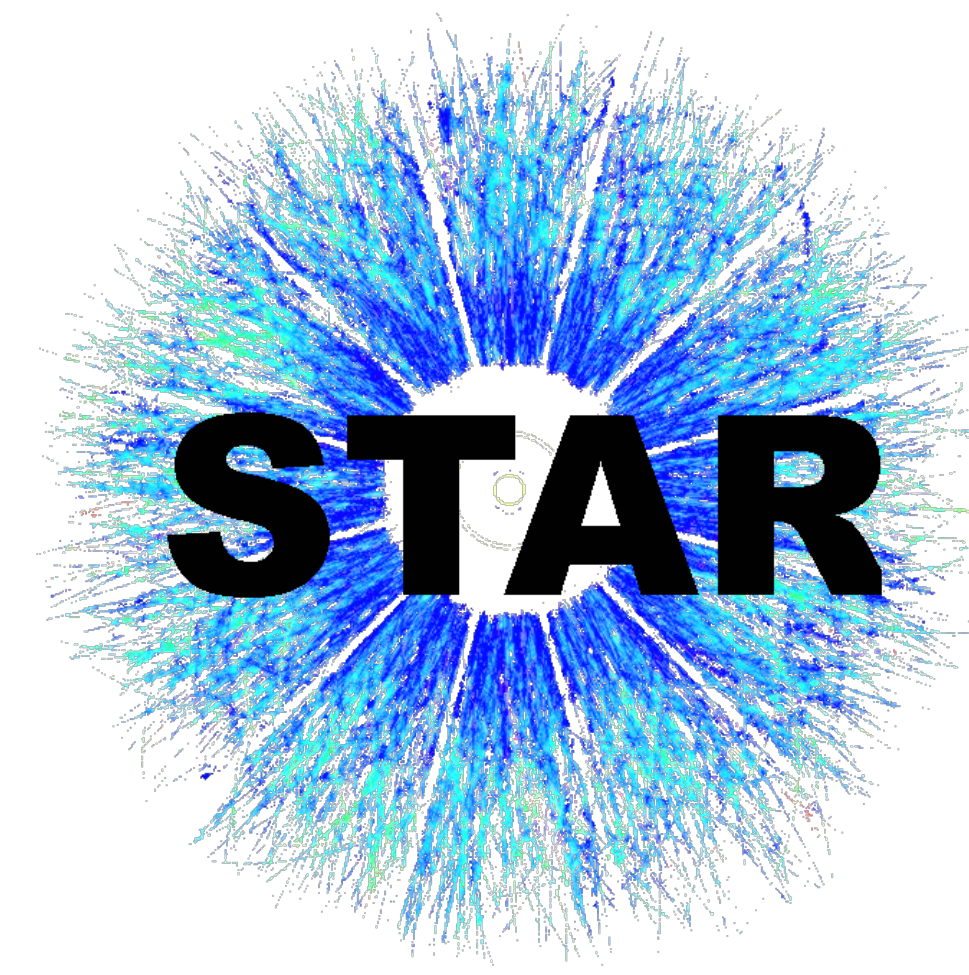


# RHIC $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV PYTHIA 8 Tune

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# Introduction

Tuning task force charged with determining a “STAR/RHIC tune” for the PYTHIA 8 event generator

- “Primary” focus on p+p 200 GeV energy (mid-rapidity) - “Base tune”
- Addendums: p+p 510 GeV; Forward rapidity tune(?)

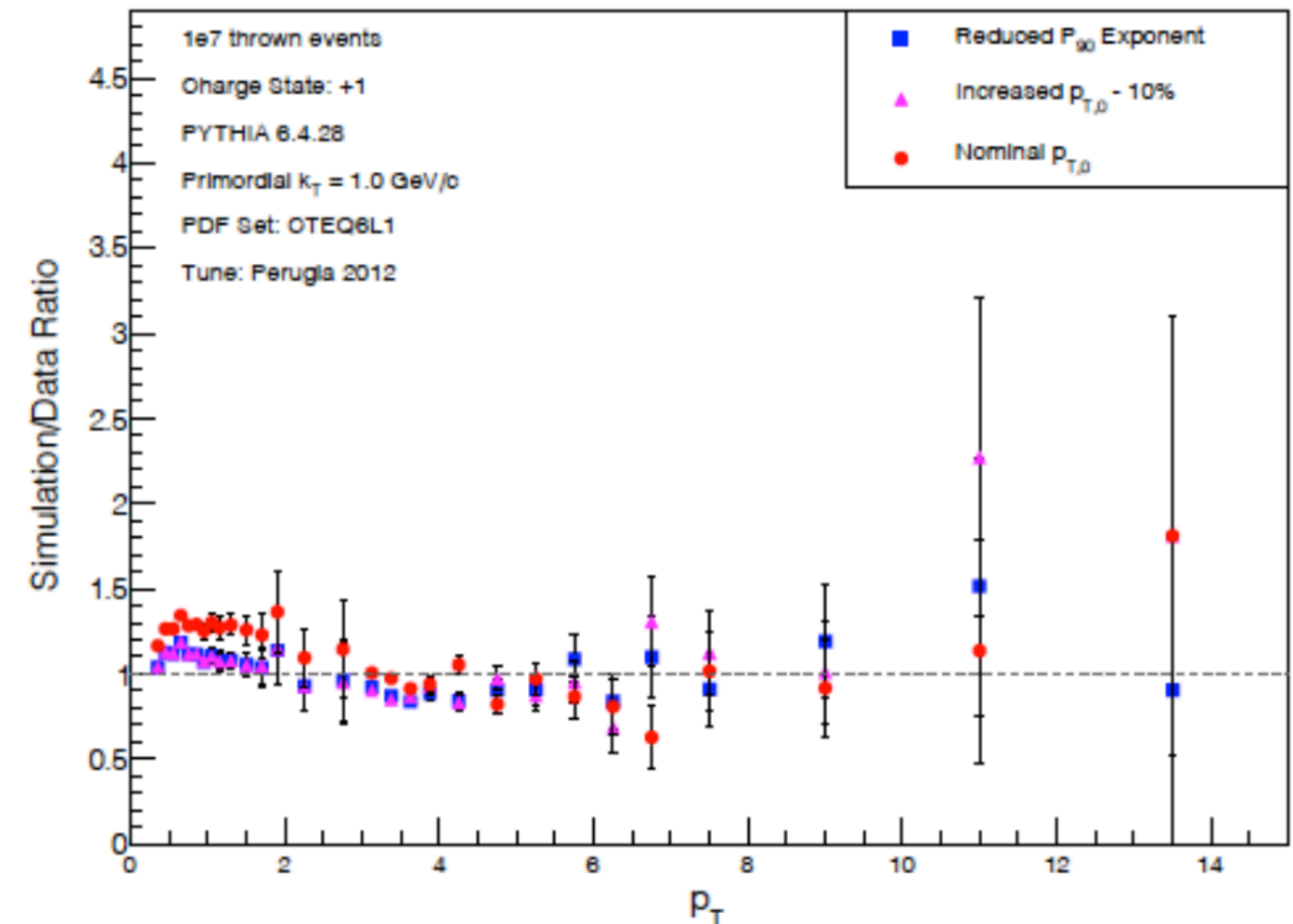
Lessons from PYTHIA 6 STAR tune

- Tuning of the  $p_{T,0}$  regularization extrapolation parameter

PYTHIA 8 tune strategy

- Tune on top of Monash tune
- Utilize Professor tuning toolkit

$$p_{T,0} = p_{T,0}^{Ref} \cdot \left( \frac{\sqrt{s}}{\sqrt{s}_{Ref}} \right)^{PARP(90)}$$



# What to Expect

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- 2) Base tune to mid-rapidity 200 GeV data
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- 4) Jets/ $p+p$  510 GeV (Next talk)

# Observables + Tune-ables

## Legend

Green = RIVET done and tested

Red = RIVET needs work/testing

Black = No current RIVET/HepData available

## Mid-rapidity:

- Single particle spectra + proton/pion ratio (<https://arxiv.org/pdf/0808.2041.pdf>, <https://www.hepdata.net/record/ins930463>)
- Jet mass (paper in collab.-wide review)
- Jet sub-structure (<https://arxiv.org/pdf/2003.02114.pdf>)
- Underlying event (<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1912.08187.pdf>)
- Drell-Yan (<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1805.02448.pdf> Tables XII + XIII) **RIVET: PHENIX\_2019\_I1672015**
- Preliminary jet cross section @ 200 GeV

## Heavy Flavor:

- Open Charm spectra (<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1204.4244.pdf>, <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1404.6185.pdf>)
- Heavy flavor decayed electron pt spectra (<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1102.2611.pdf>, <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1102.2611.pdf>)

## p+p @ 510 GeV:

- Jet cross section (<https://drupal.star.bnl.gov/STAR/blog/zchang/run12-pp510-jet-cross-seciton-preliminary-plot>)
- Z pT spectrum ([https://drupal.star.bnl.gov/STAR/files/Fazio\\_DNP\\_Fall\\_OCT2020\\_v6.pdf](https://drupal.star.bnl.gov/STAR/files/Fazio_DNP_Fall_OCT2020_v6.pdf))

## Forward Physics:

- Charged particle rapidity dependence (<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1011.1940.pdf>)
- p/K/pi spectra at forward rapidities (<https://arxiv.org/pdf/hep-ex/0701041.pdf>)
- Identified hadron cross-section (<https://arxiv.org/pdf/0908.4551.pdf>)
- Proton/Pion ratio (<https://arxiv.org/pdf/0910.3328.pdf>)
- Drell-Yan (<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1805.02448.pdf> Tables XII + XIII) **RIVET: PHENIX\_2019\_I1672015**
- Jet energy @ 500 GeV (<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0370269315007522?via%3Dihub>)

$$p_{T,0} = p_{T,0}^{Ref} \cdot \left( \frac{\sqrt{s}}{\sqrt{s}_{Ref}} \right)^{PARP(90)}$$

## Similar $p_{T,0}$ tuning strategy as PYTHIA 6

- ecmPow (equiv. to PARP(90))
- Or  $p_{T,0}^{Ref}$  (equiv. to PARP(82), no extrapolation)
- Which is better...

## Additional proton overlap function tuning

- expPow; 2nd-order effect w.r.t.  $p_{T,0}$

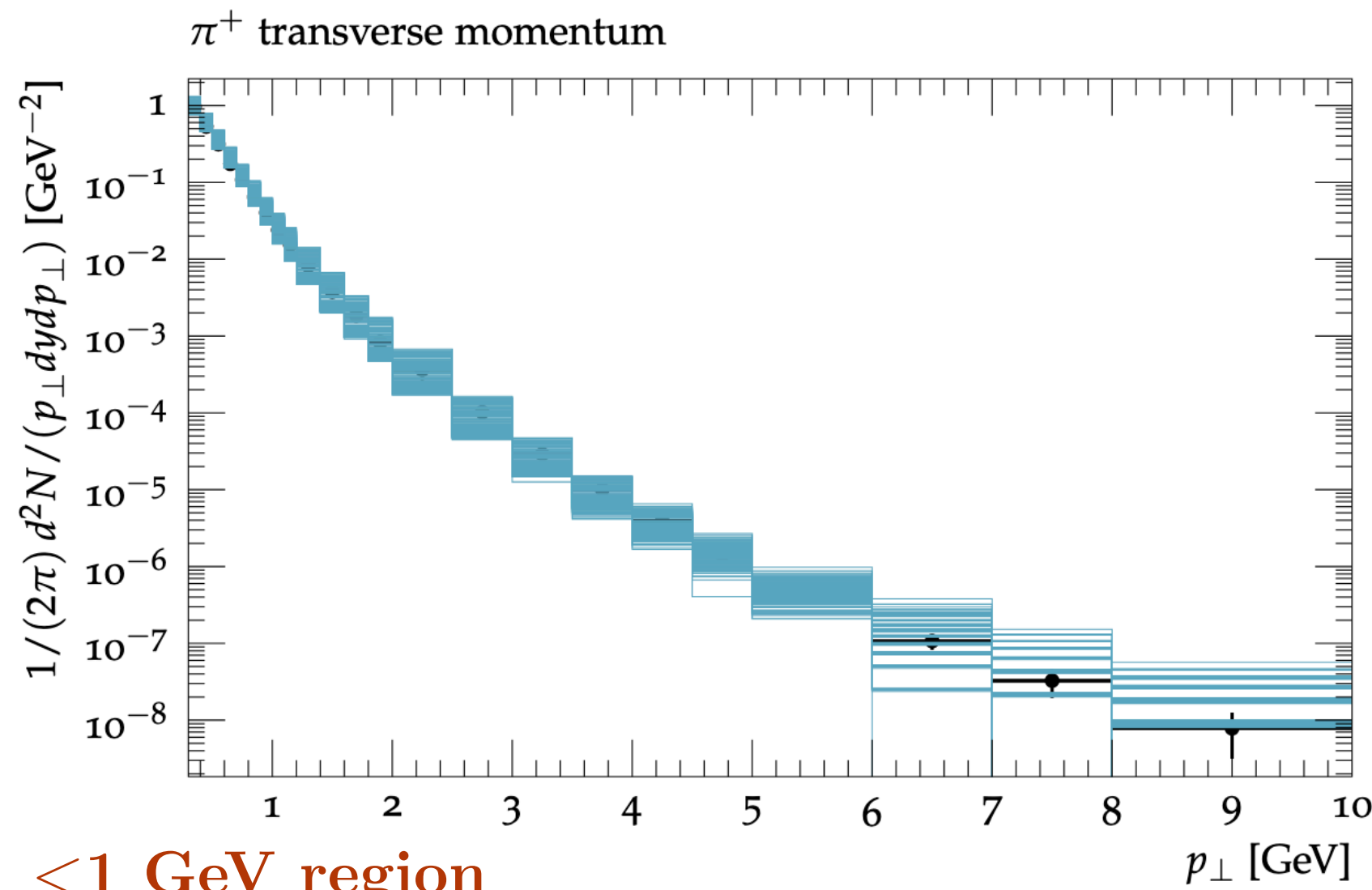
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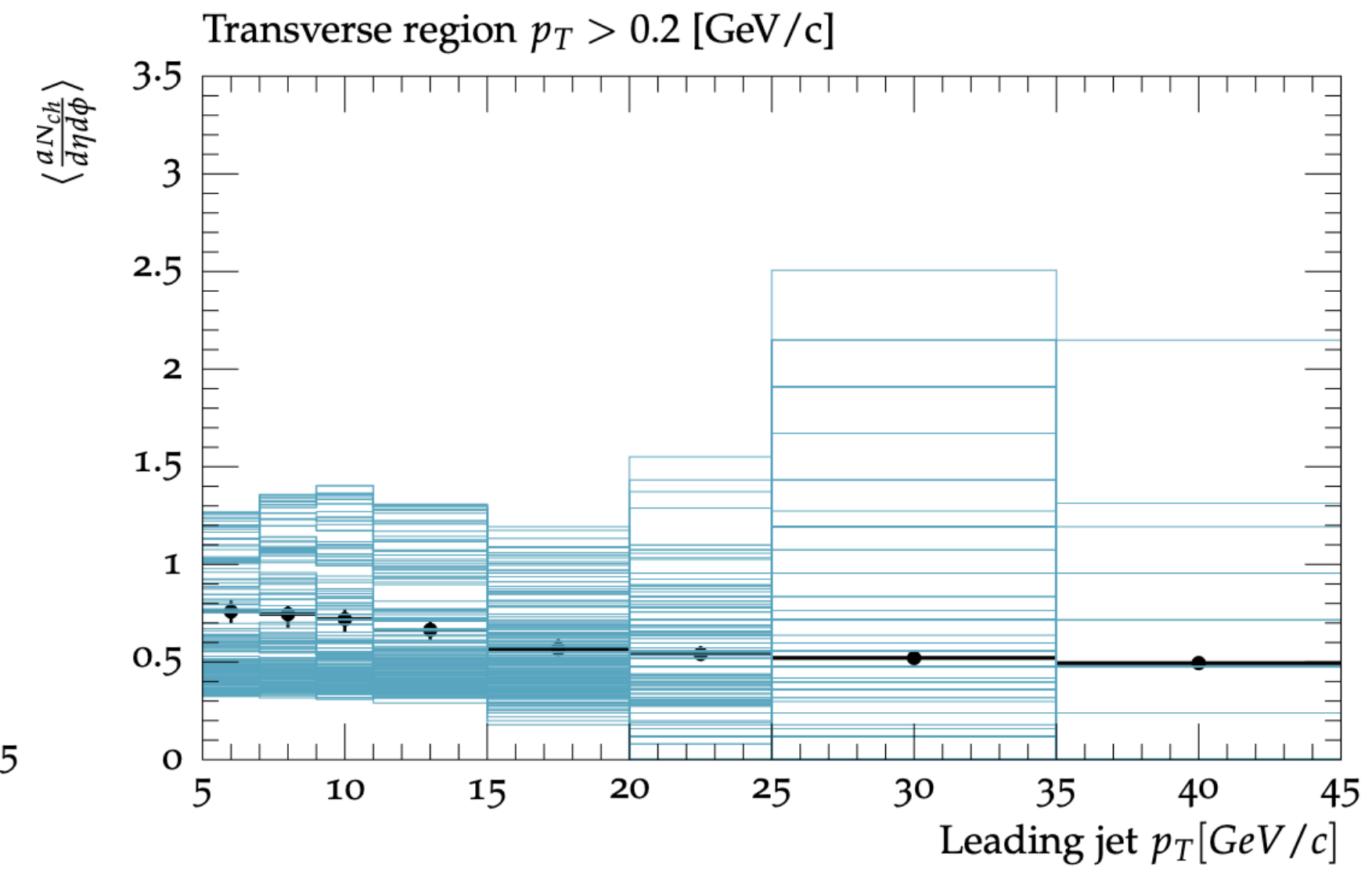
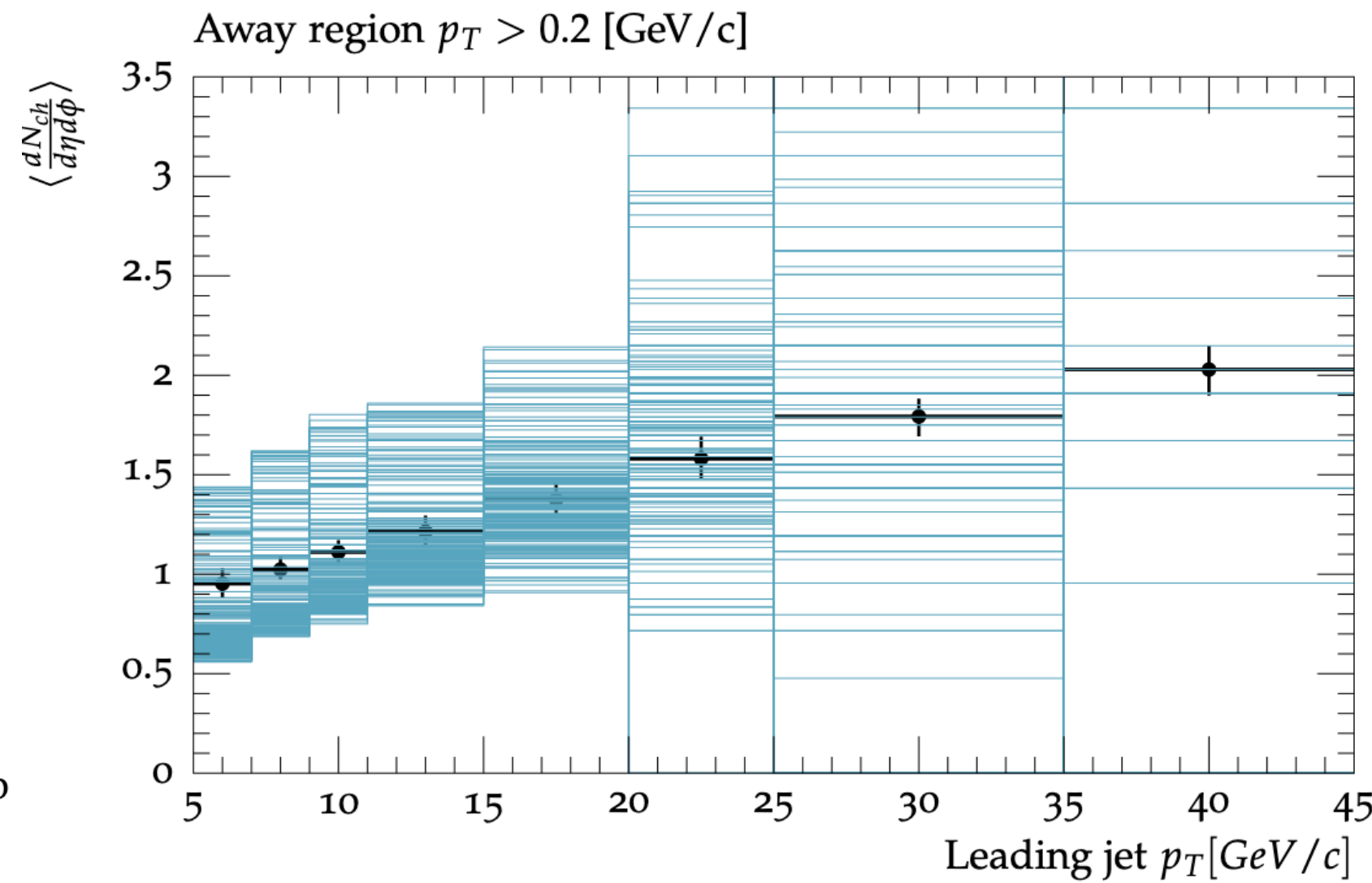
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# Sensitivities

Each blue line corresponds to variation of tune-able values - 200 in total (some data points completely buried)



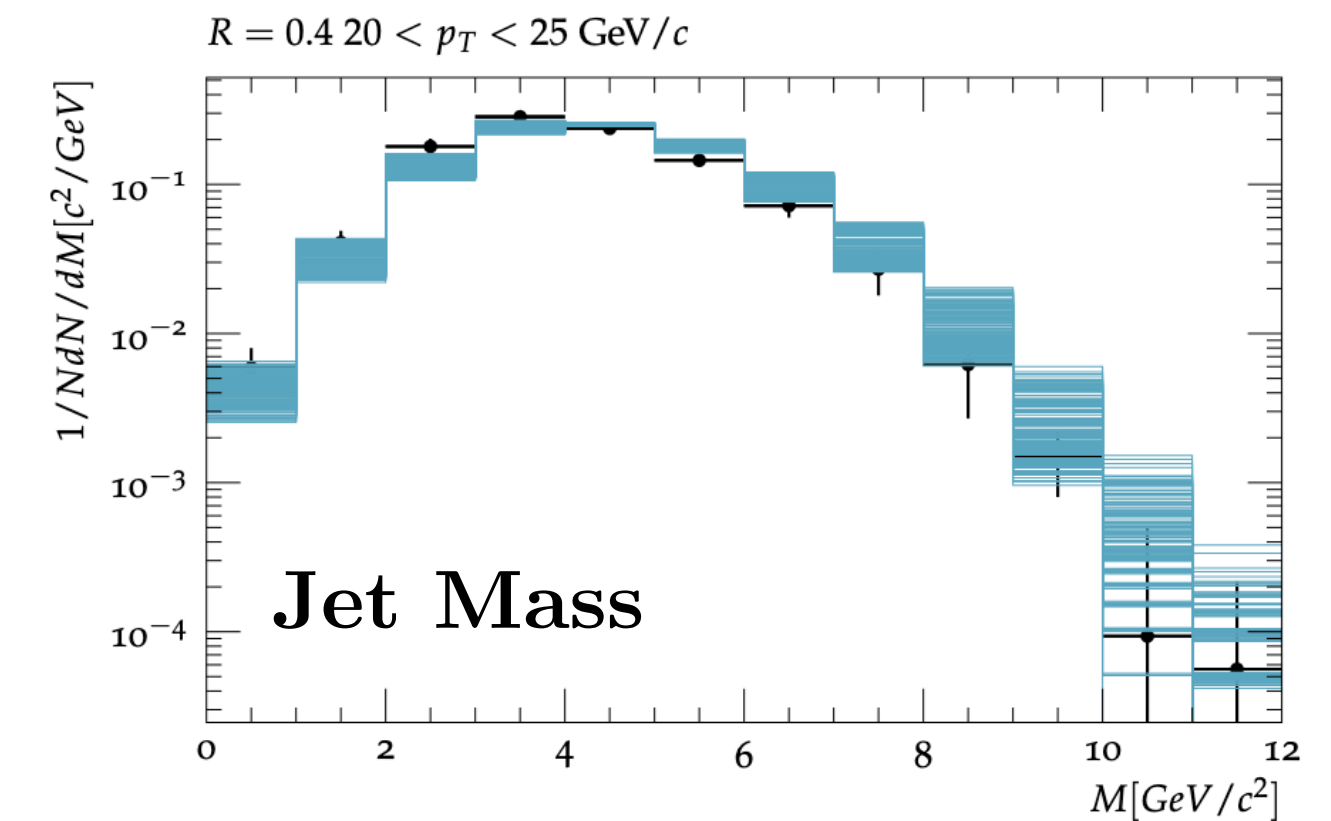
<1 GeV region  
not used



Pion spectra (1-10 GeV) and underlying event (trans.+away) expected to have largest sensitivities to  $p_{T,0}$

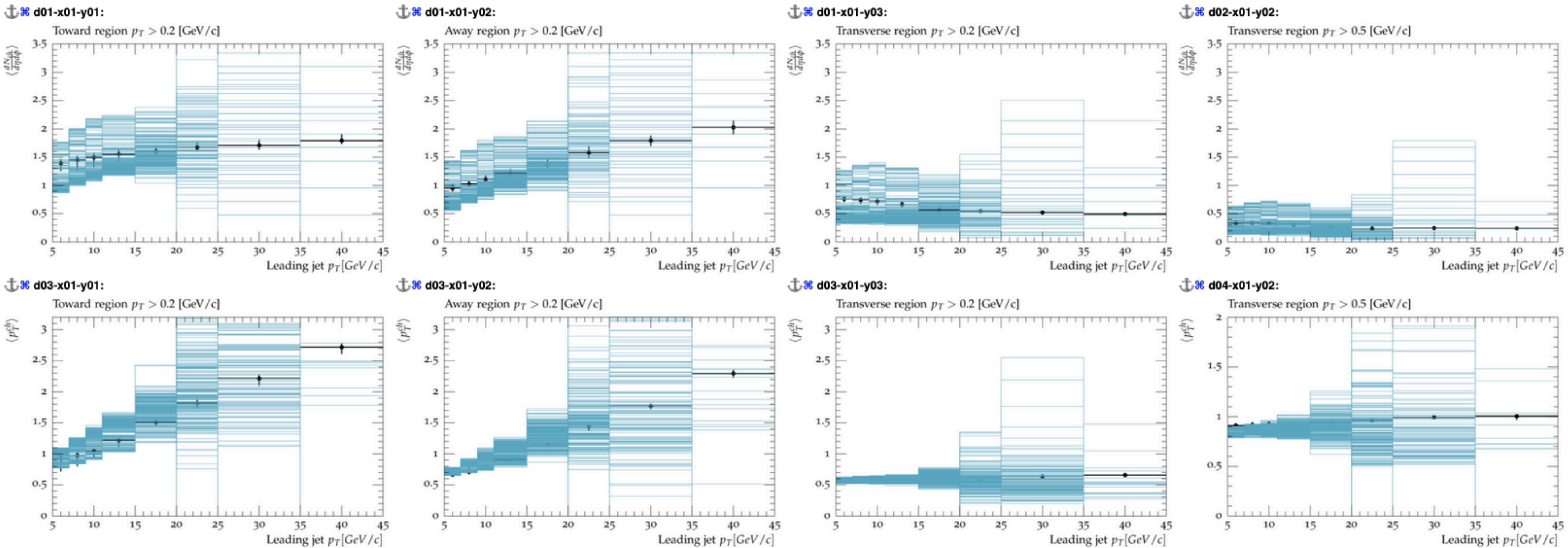
- However, other observables (jet quantities) also have sig. sensitivity (more later)

Disclaimer: Somewhat biased selection of representative plots



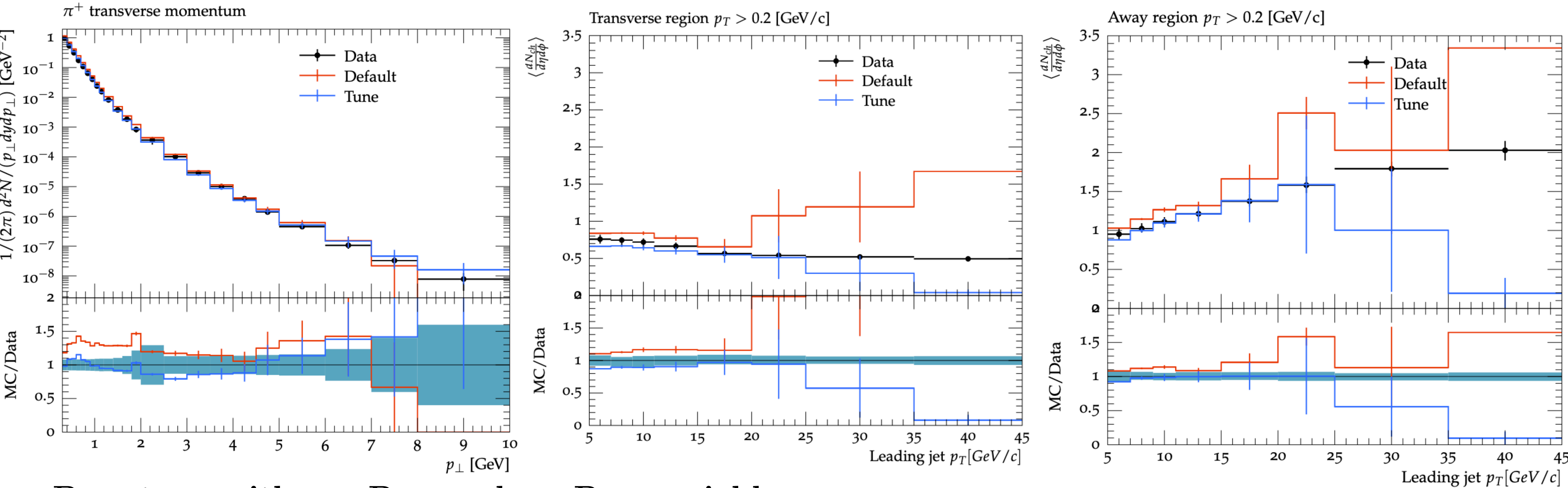
# Sensitivities (All UE)

Each blue line corresponds to variation of tune-able values - 200 in total (some data points completely buried)



# Base Tune Results

Note: Low stat. regions not used in tune currently



## Base tune with emcPow and expPow variables:

- Using all mid-rapidity observables ( $\chi^2/\text{NDOF} = 382/324$ ); Low stat.+outside env. points removed
- emcPow = 0.177 (Monash default = 0.215)
- expPow = 1.36 (Monash default = 1.85)

**General takeaway: Tune procedure works, improvement of MC agreement in all mid-rapidity observables (aside from kaons/protons)**



# Comparisons to PYTHIA 6 Tune

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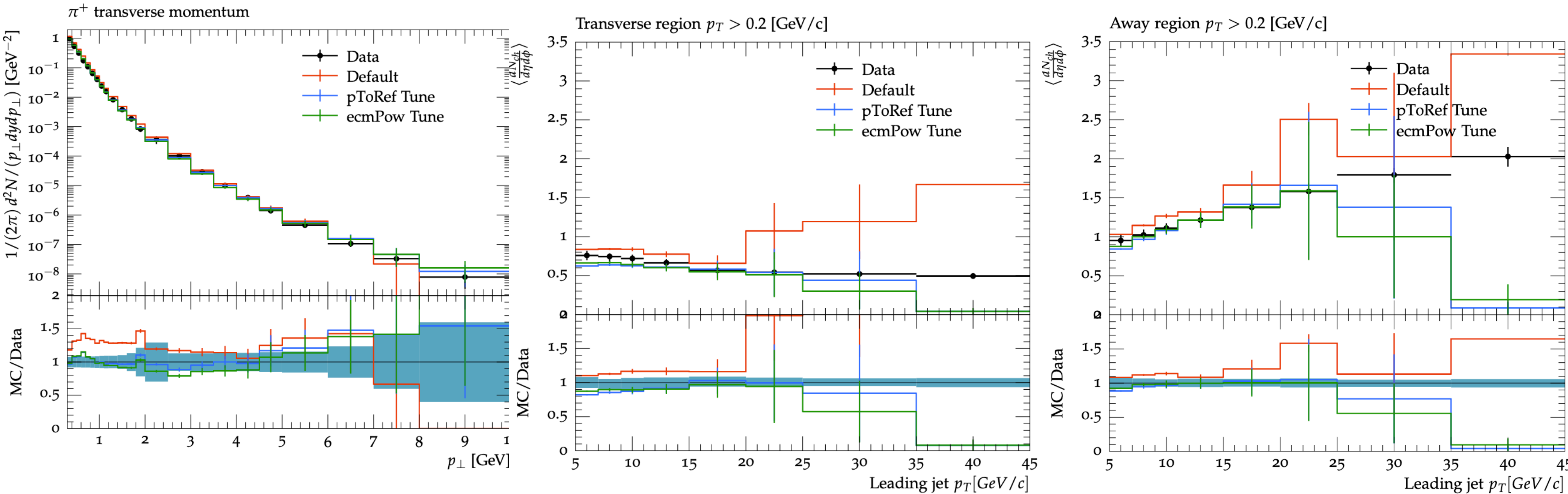
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PYTHIA	PDF	p <sub>T,0</sub>	expPow	PARP(90)/ ecmPow	PARP(82)/p <sub>T0Ref</sub> (7 TeV)
6	CTEQ6L1	1.35*	-	0.213	2.65
8	NNPDF2.3	1.22*	1.36	0.177	2.28

Monash default for ecmPow= 0.215

Comparable p<sub>T,0</sub> extrapolations between PYTHIA 8/6 tunes

# emcPow vs. $p_{T,0}^{\text{Ref}}$



**pT0Ref(1.37)+expPow(1.43)  $\chi^2/\text{ndof} = 370/324$**

**ecmPow(0.177)+expPow(1.36)  $\chi^2/\text{ndof} = 382/324$**

No significant difference in pT0Ref/ecmPow central value when tuning without expPow

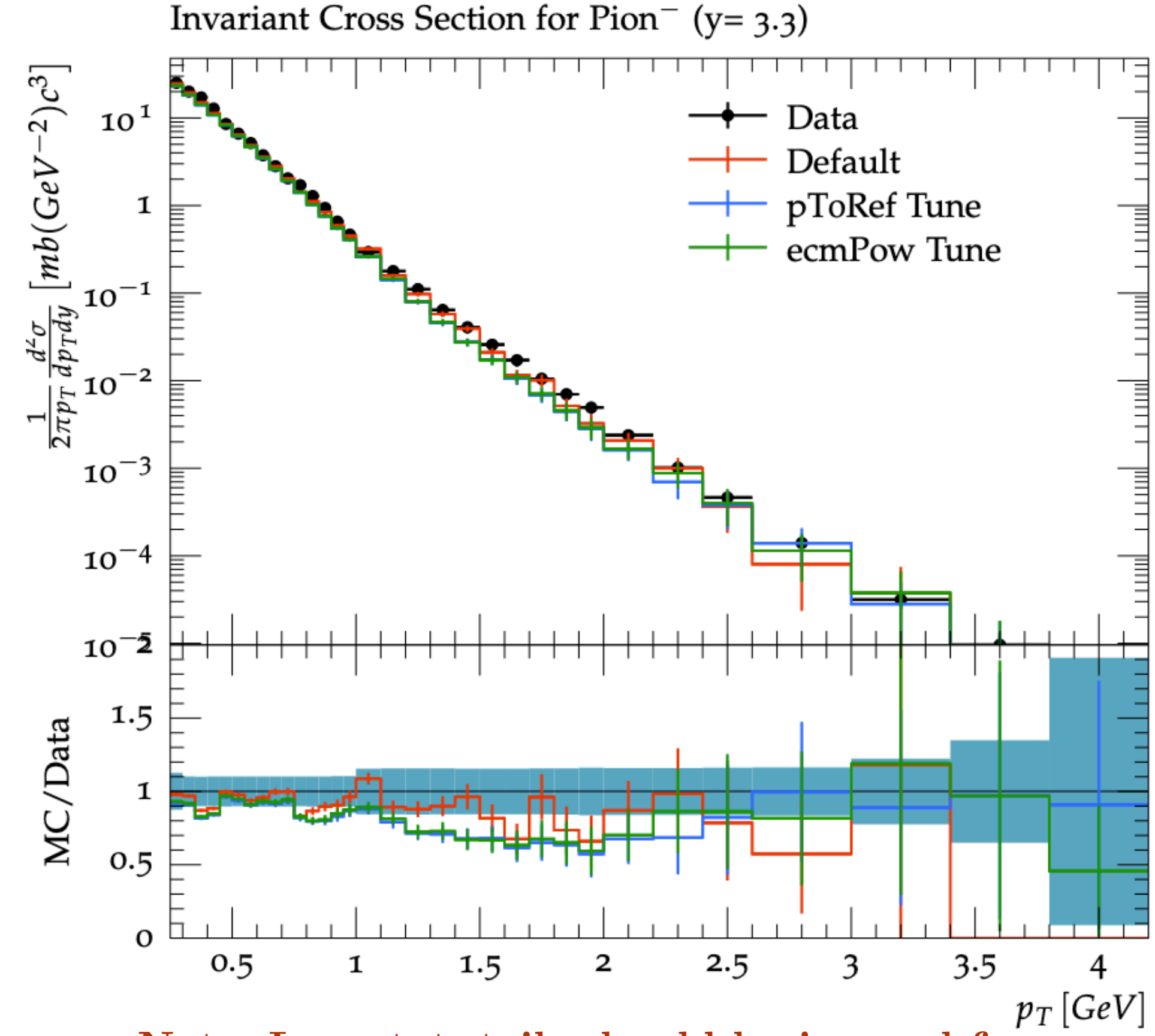
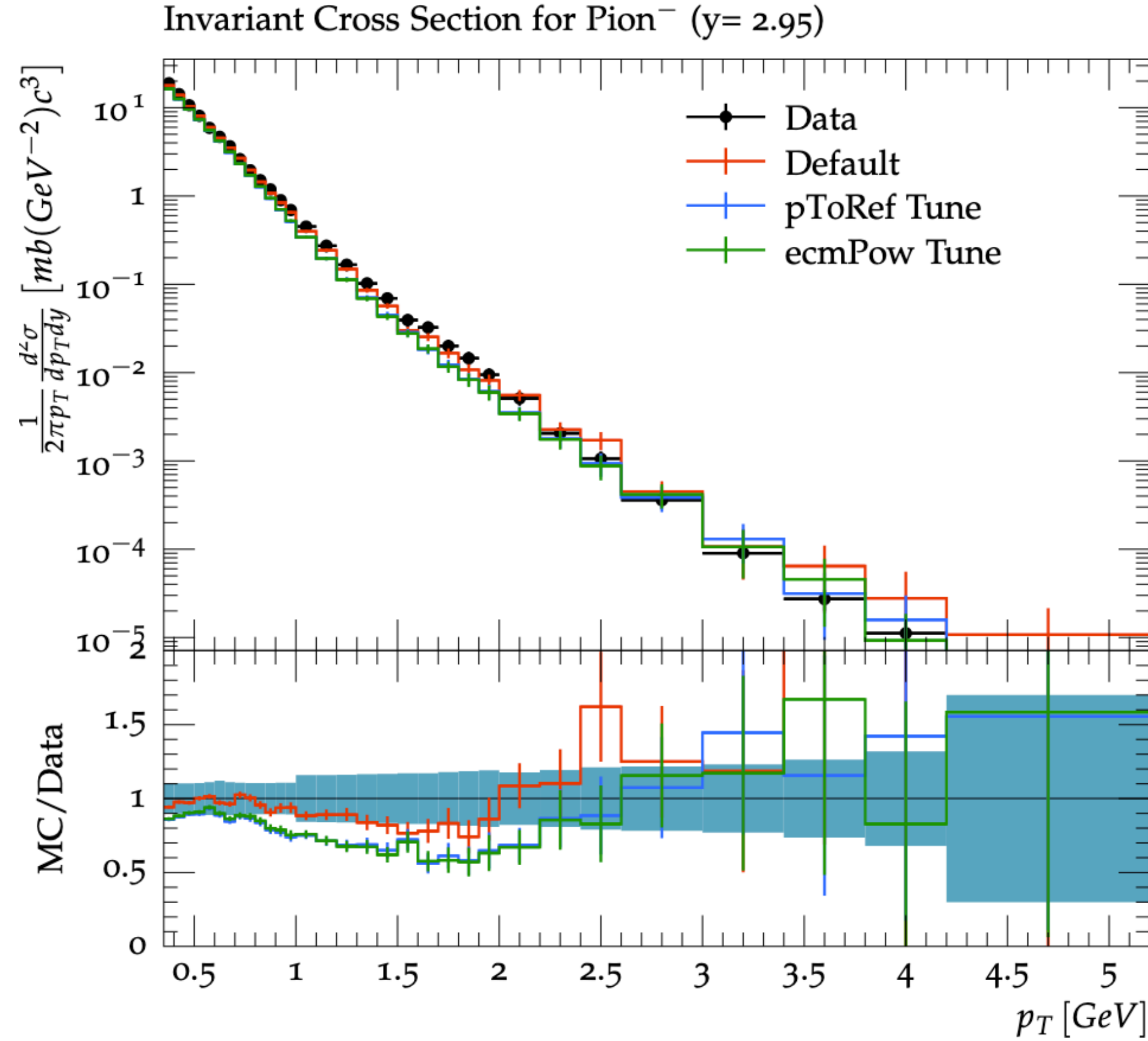
Pion spectra incrementally improved with pT0Ref; UE with ecmPow...

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# Base Tune for Forward Pion Spectra



Note: Low stat. tails should be ignored for now

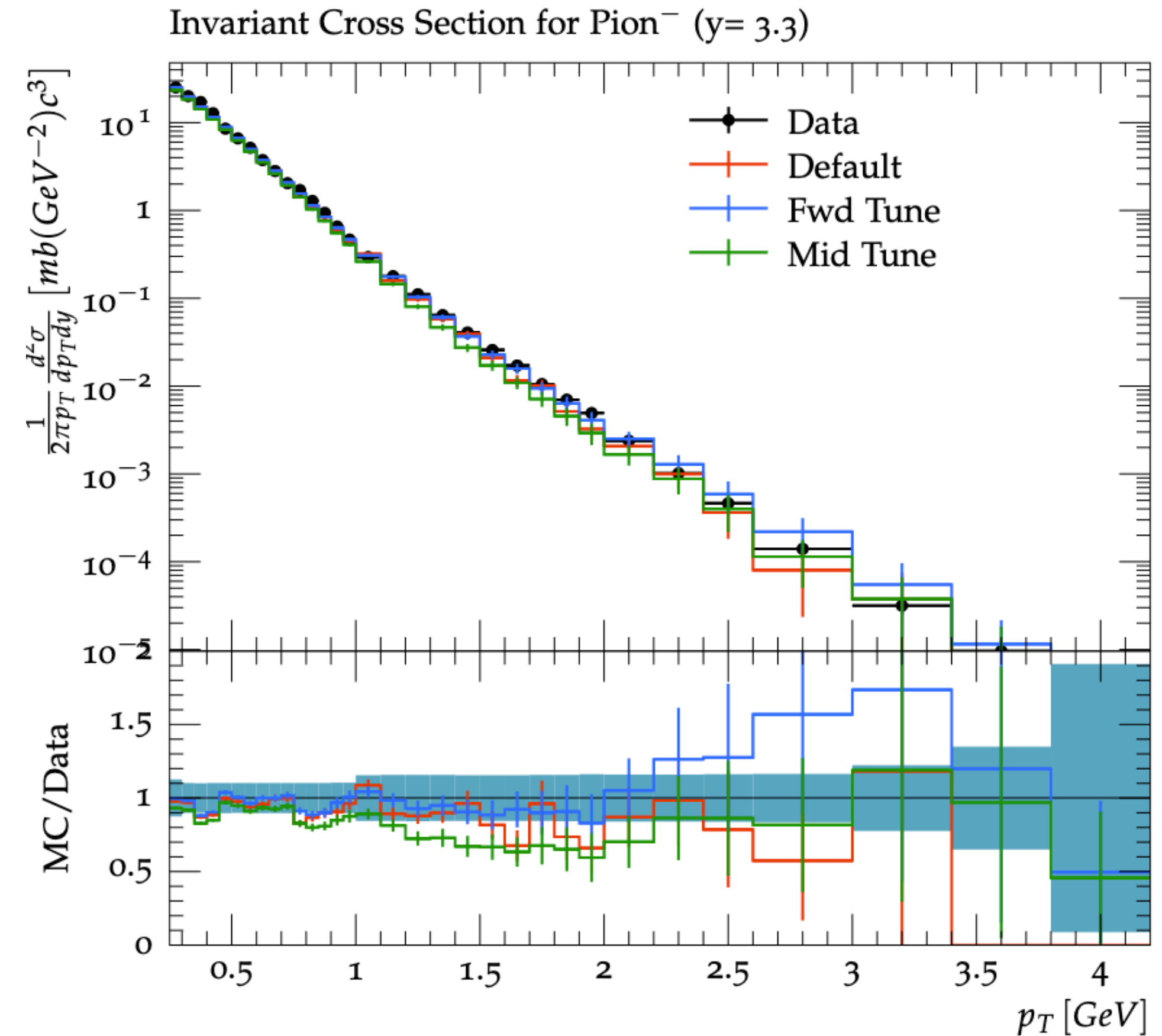
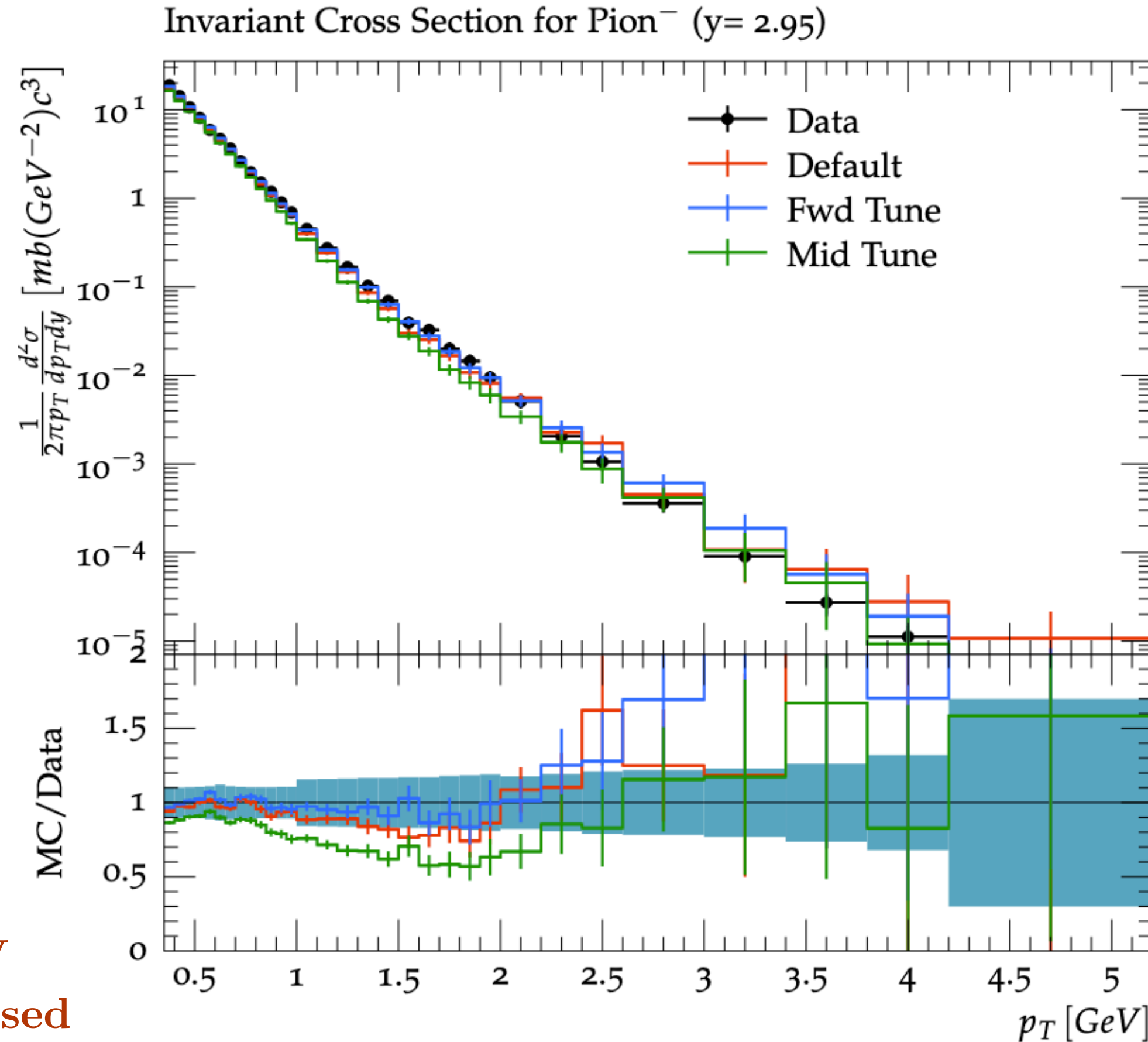
Mid-rapidity tune does worse than default Monash! (expected?)

No difference between tuned MPI variables

BRAHMS Data: <https://arxiv.org/pdf/hep-ex/0701041.pdf>

# Forward Tune

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<0.7 GeV

region not used

**Forward pions (>0.7 GeV) only:  $\text{ecmPow}(0.229) + \text{expPow}(1.61)$   $\chi^2/\text{ndof} = 49/92$**

- Mid.:  $\text{ecmPow}(0.177) + \text{expPow}(1.36)$ ; Monash default:  $\text{ecmPow} = 0.215$

**Re-tuning can recover MC description, but not practical**

- Other tuning variables (simultaneous tune)? E.g., Intrinsic kT, coupling to ISR, ...?

# Conclusions

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**Tuning the MPI-related parameters in general produces better description to mid-rapidity observables**

- Some small variations with ecmPow vs. pT0Ref @ 200 GeV; Good global tune to mid-rapidity with either variable

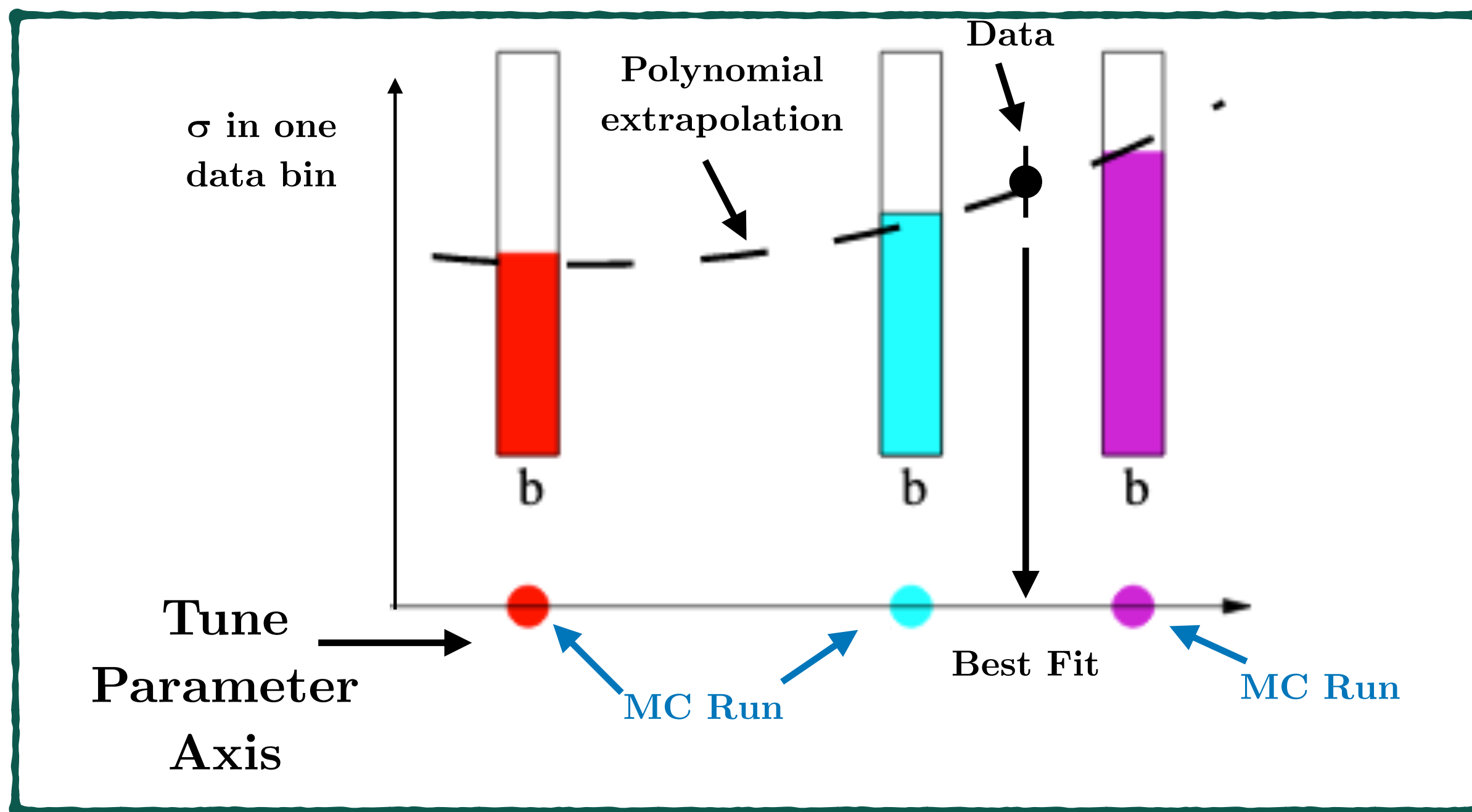
**Mid-rapidity-tuned PYTHIA 8 does not describe forward pion spectra**

- Actually worse than default Monash
- Re-tune to only forward pions produces a good description of data but not practical
- Other variables to tune for forward rapidity?

BACKUP

# Tuning Methodology

Parametrization-based tuning methodology: *Professor* toolkit ([professor.hepforge.org](http://professor.hepforge.org))  
 - Polynomial parameterization of MC variation response +  $\chi^2$  min. w.r.t. data



$p \equiv$  tunable  
parameter space

$$MC_b(\mathbf{p}) \approx f^{(b)}(\mathbf{p}) = \alpha_0^{(b)} + \sum_i \beta_i^{(b)} p'_i + \sum_{i \leq j} \gamma_{ij}^{(b)} p'_i p'_j$$

MC response in  
*one* data bin  $b$

$$\chi^2(\mathbf{p}) = \sum_{\mathcal{O}} w_{\mathcal{O}} \sum_{b \in \mathcal{O}} \frac{(f^{(b)}(\mathbf{p}) - \mathcal{R}_b)^2}{\Delta_b^2}$$

Minimize weighted chi2 w/ parameterization

Professor+PYTHIA6 Tune: <https://doi.org/10.1140/epjc/s10052-009-1196-7>

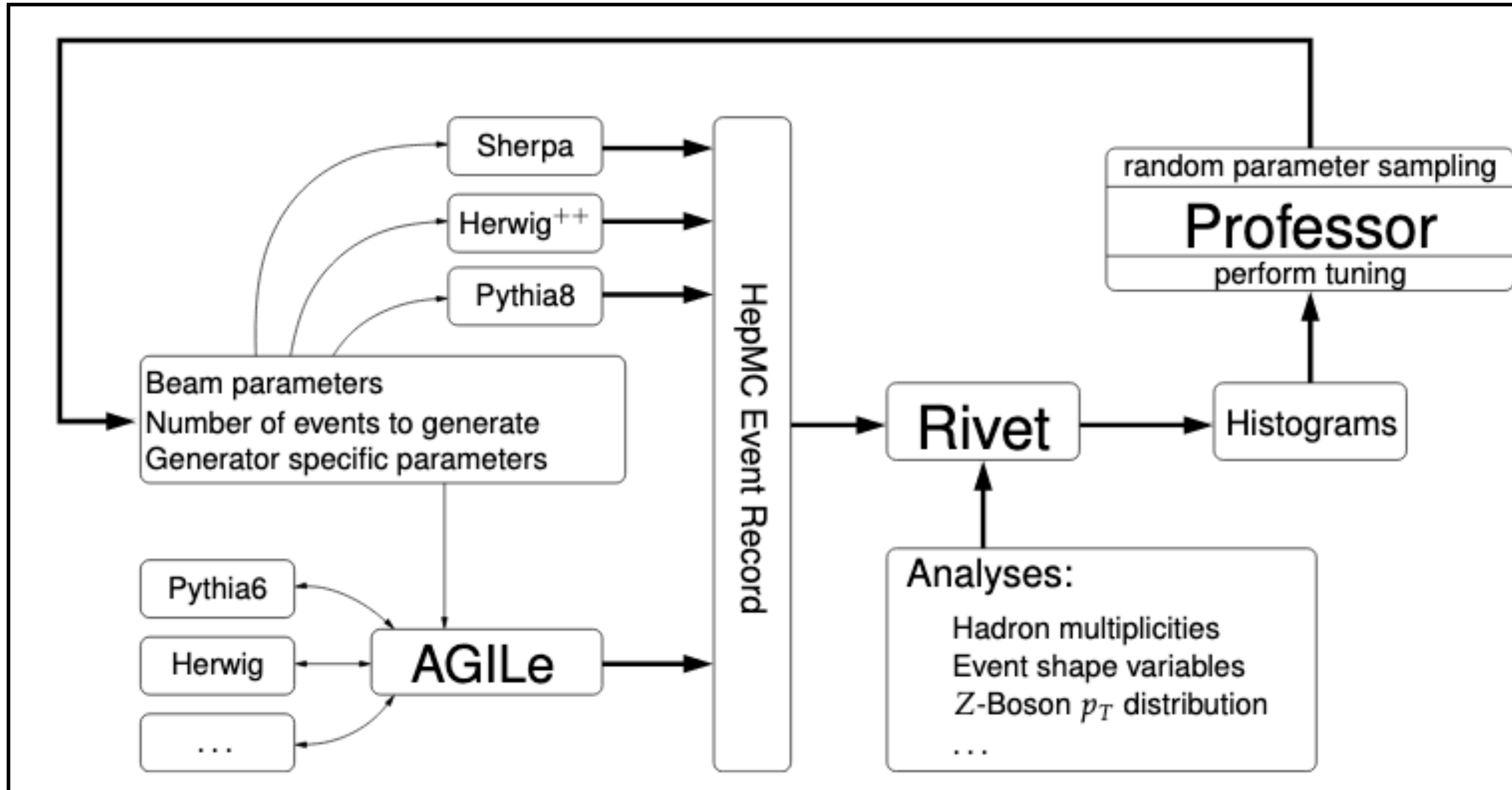
CMS PYTHIA6,8 Herwig++ Tune: <https://doi.org/10.1140/epjc/s10052-016-3988-x>

CMS Herwig 7 Tune: [arXiv:2011.03422](https://arxiv.org/abs/2011.03422)



# Tuning Methodology Cont.

*A little more technical view....*



## RIVET needed for Professor method

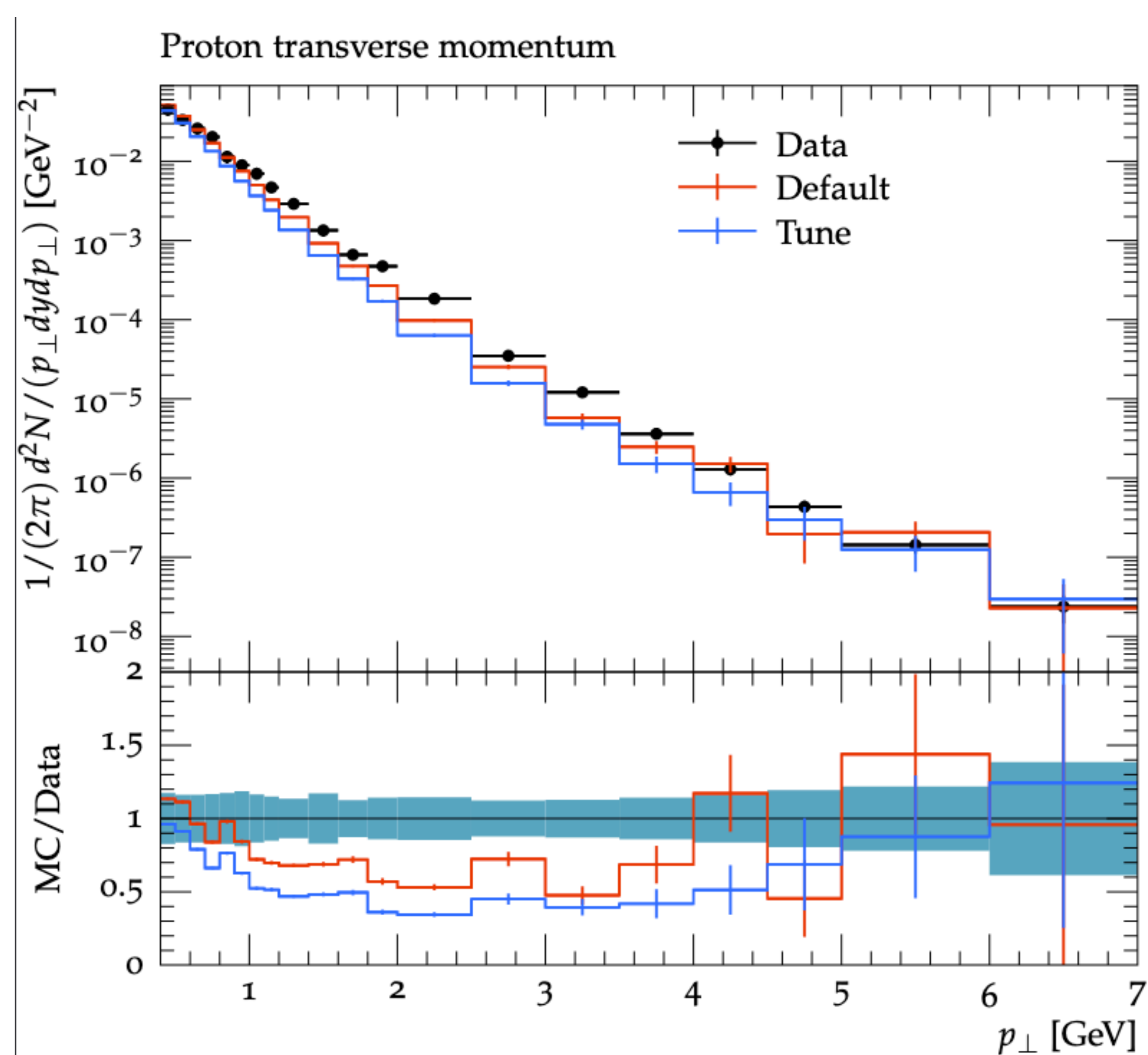
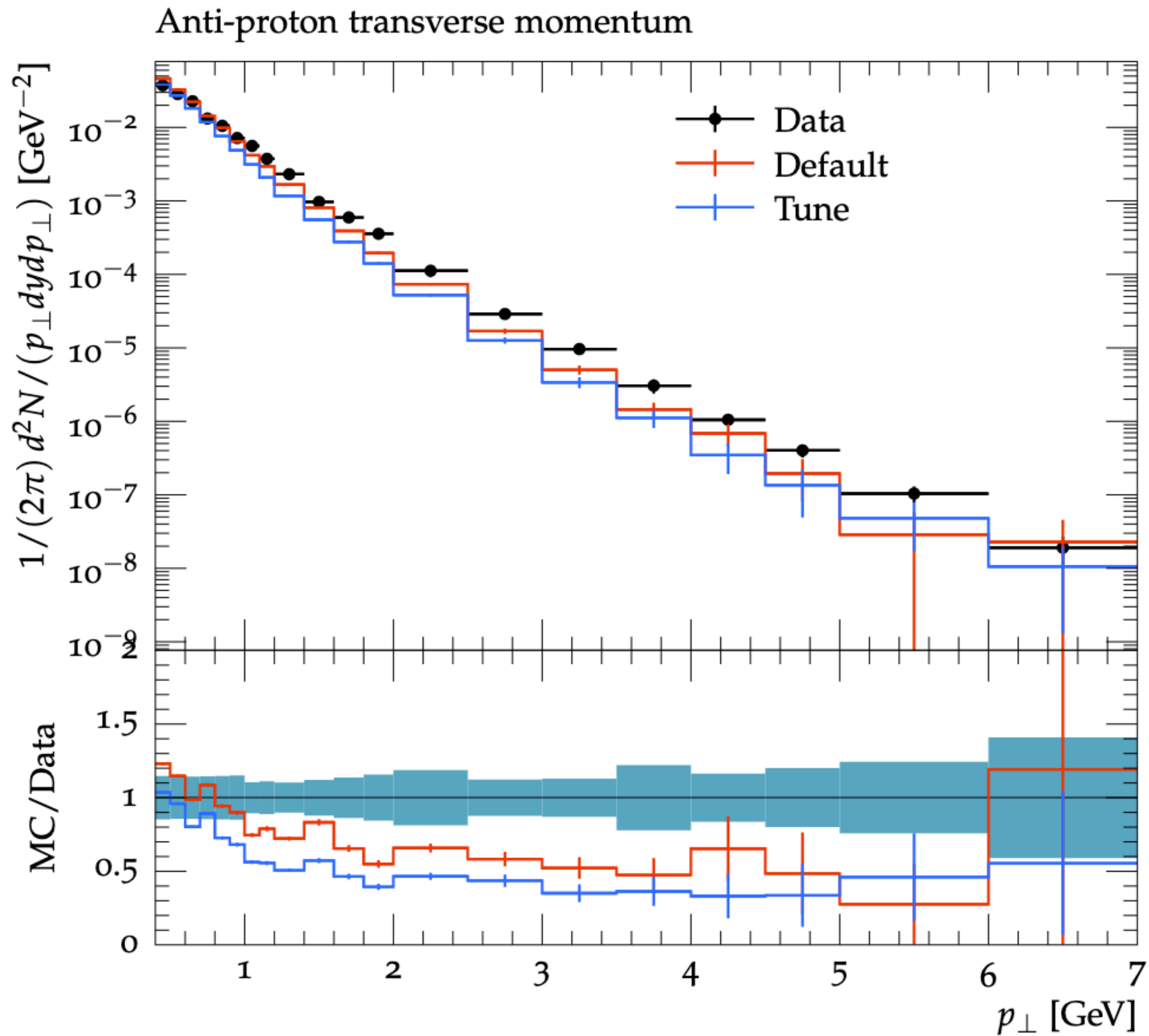
*“The Rivet toolkit (Robust Independent Validation of Experiment and Theory) is a system for validation of Monte Carlo event generators.”*

I.e., a generator-agnostic analysis code package that reproduce physics “measurements” on HepMC data  
→ Compare to real data

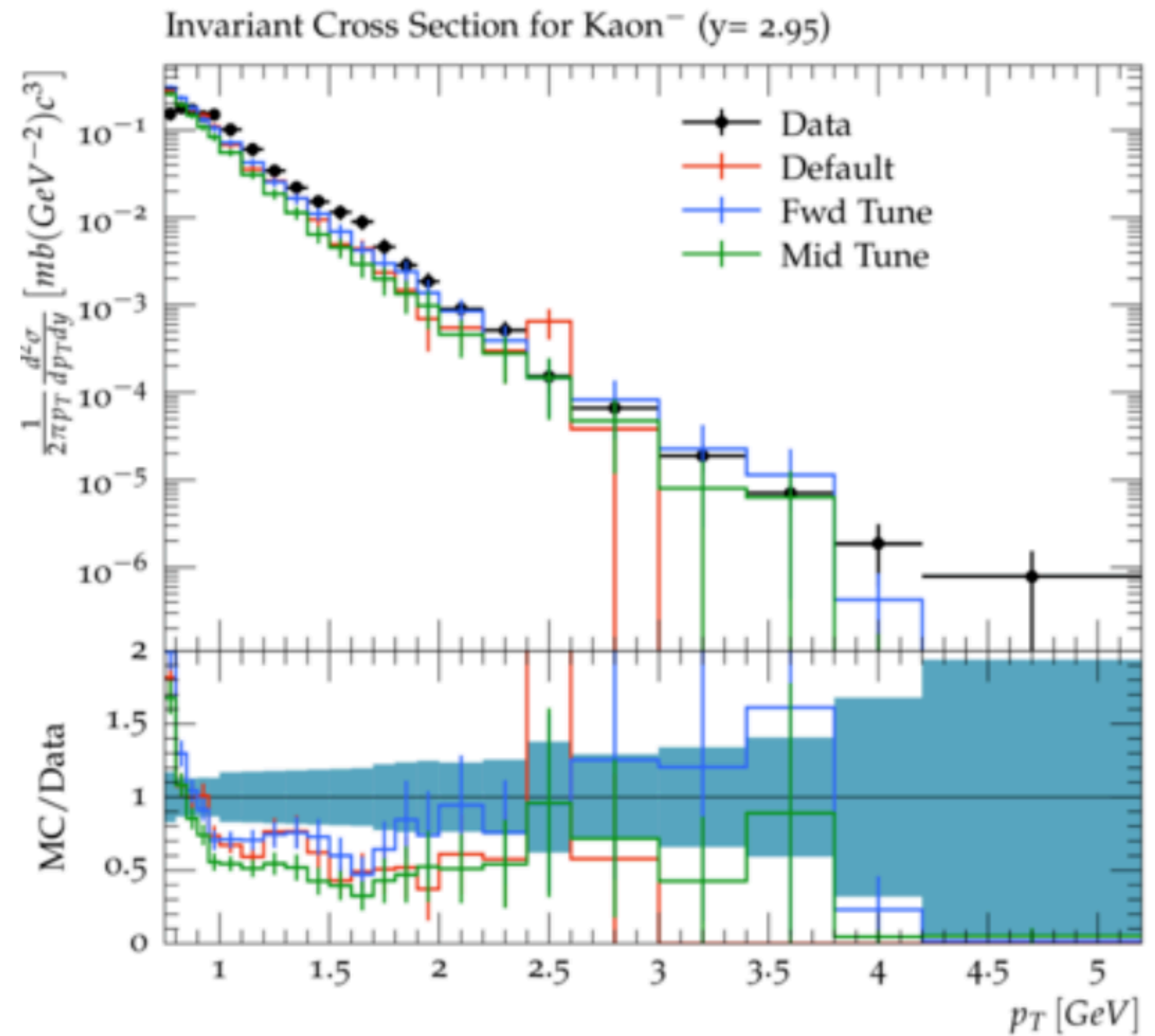
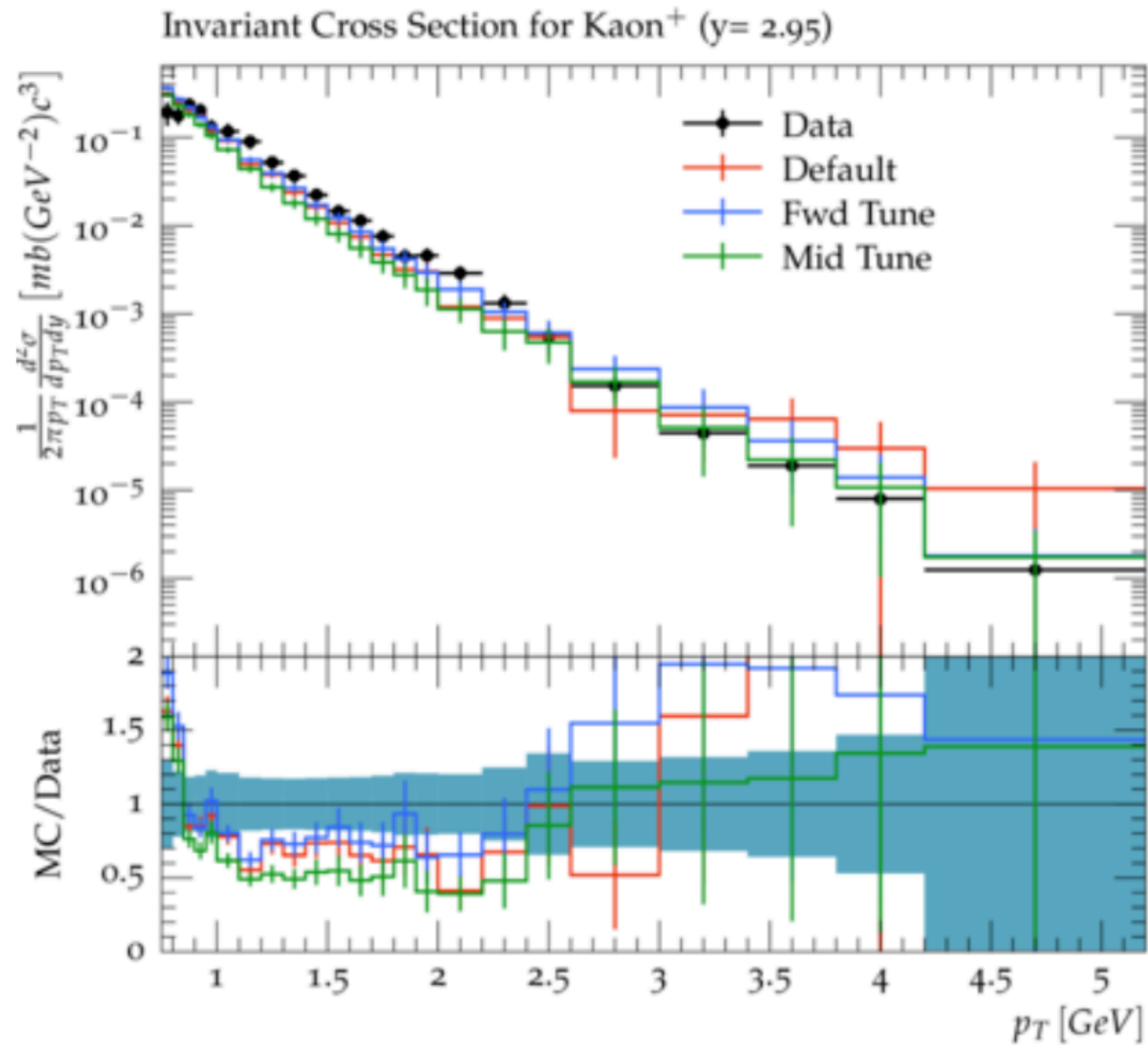
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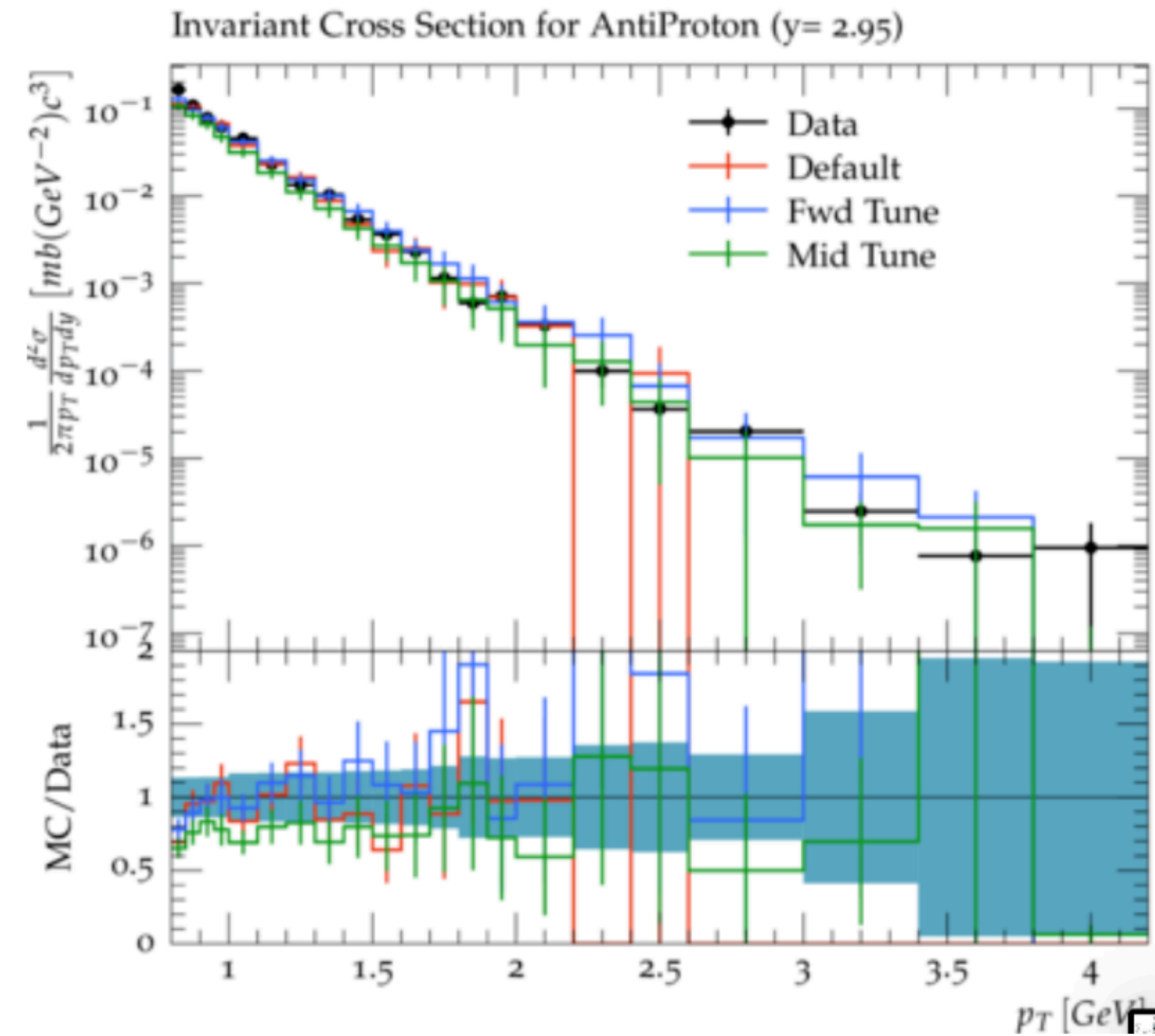
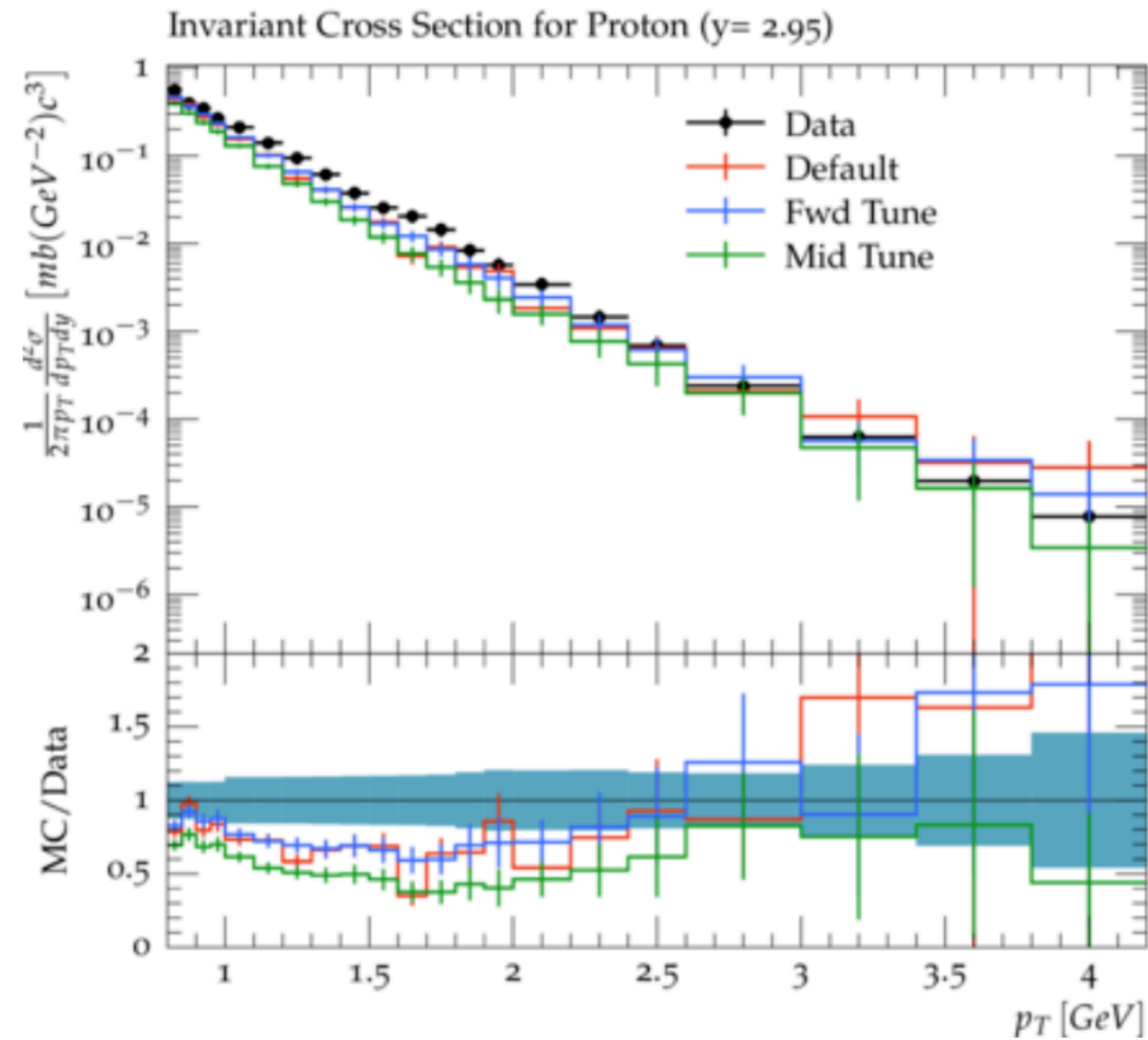
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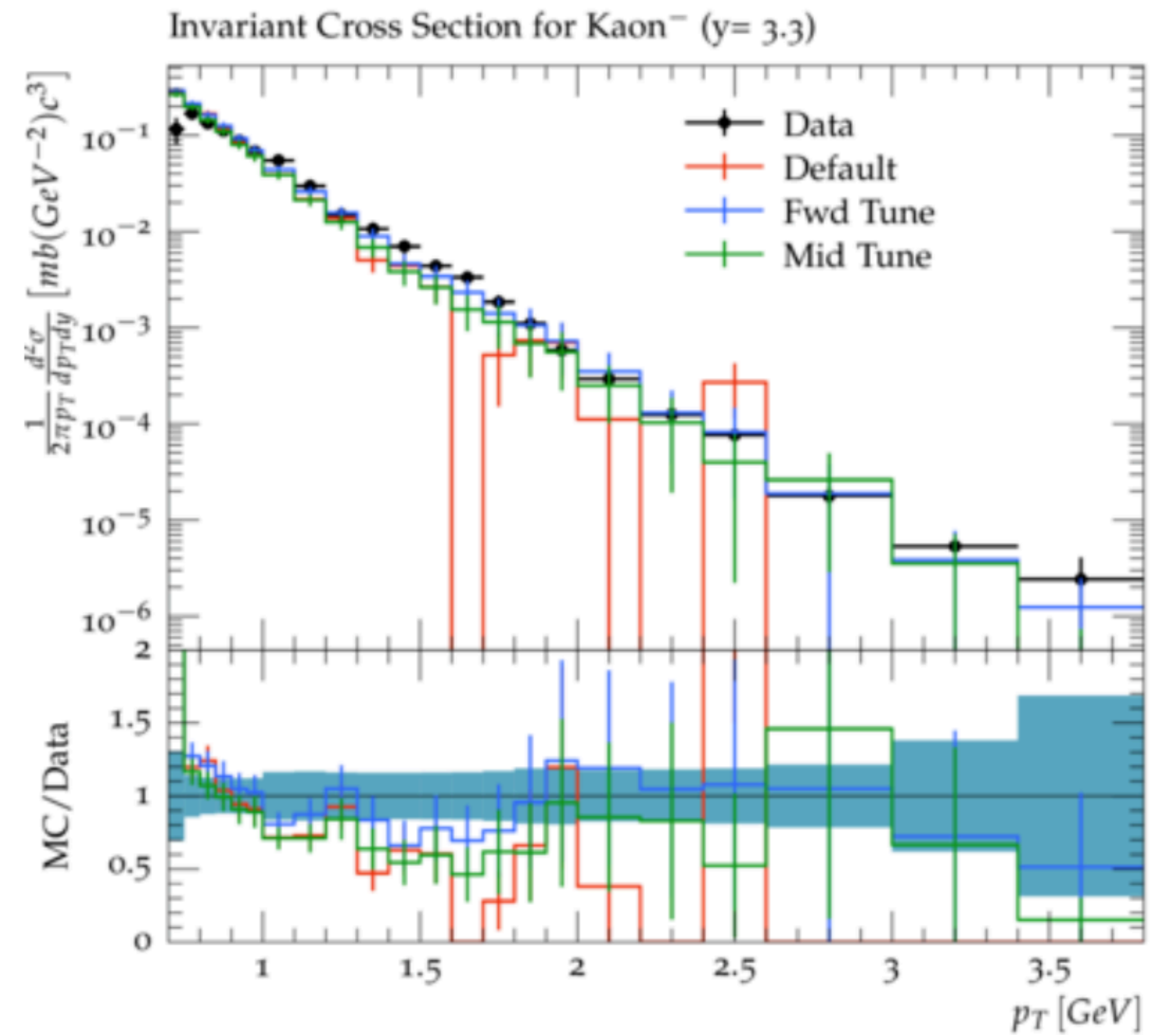
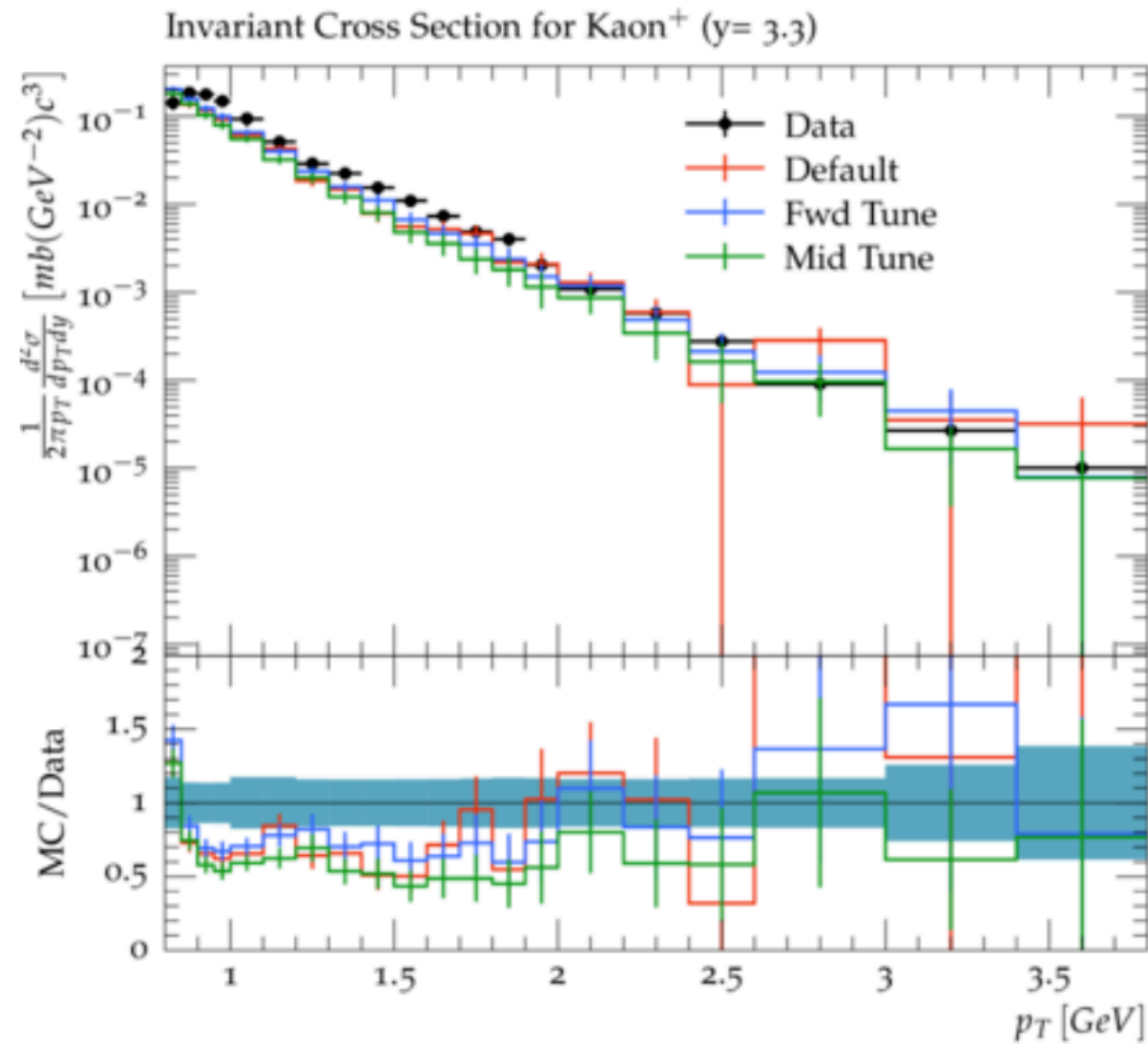
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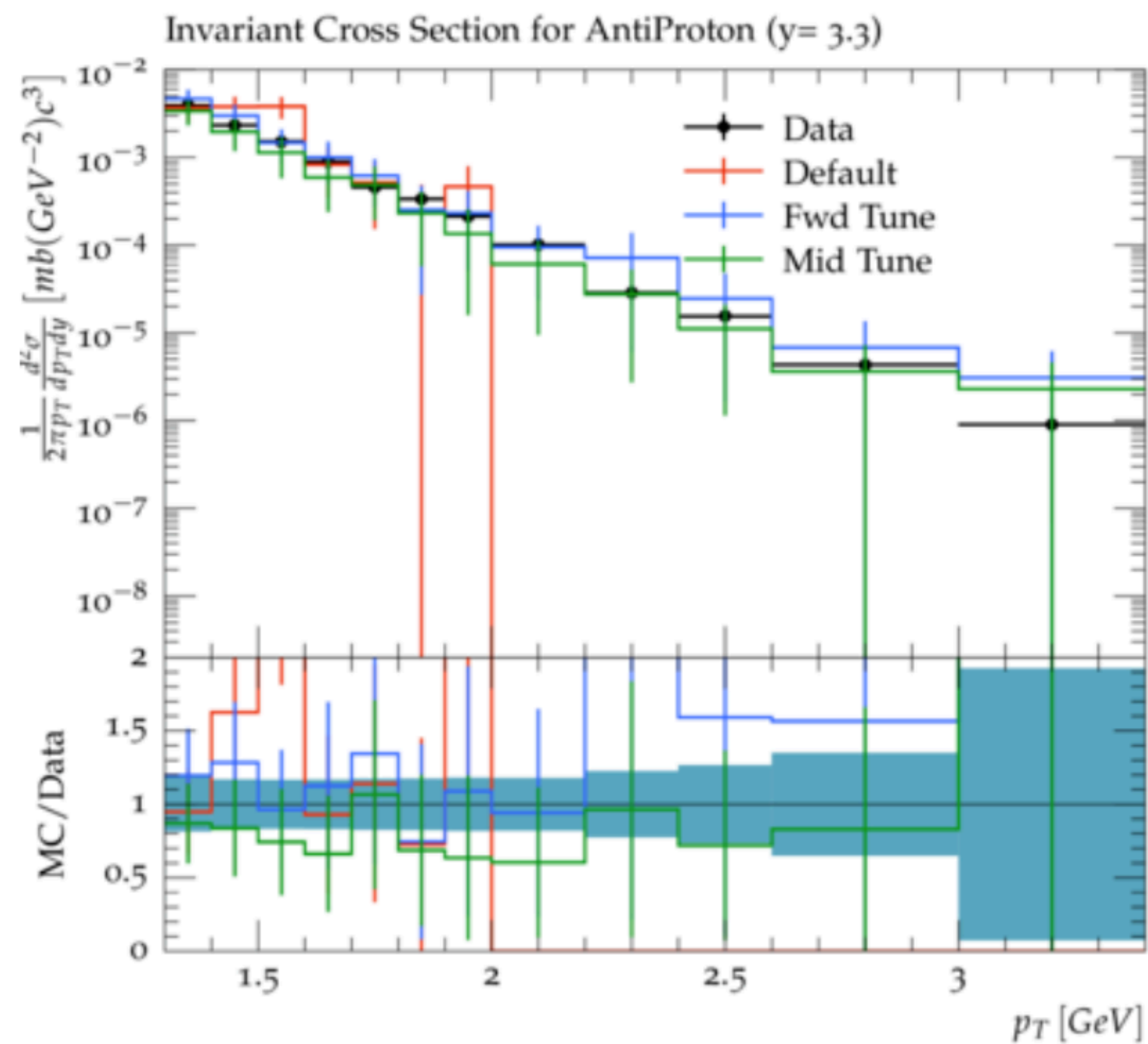
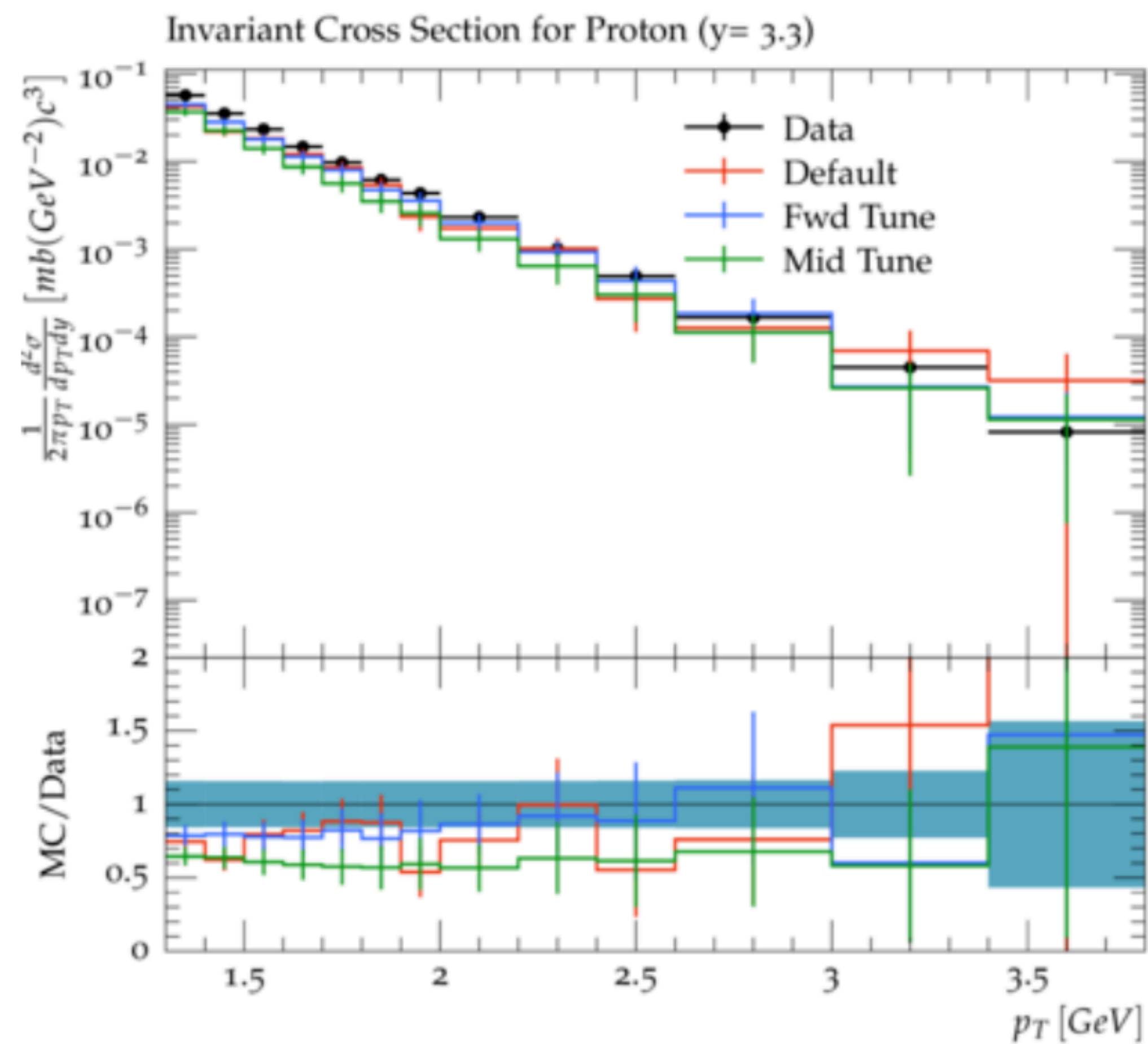
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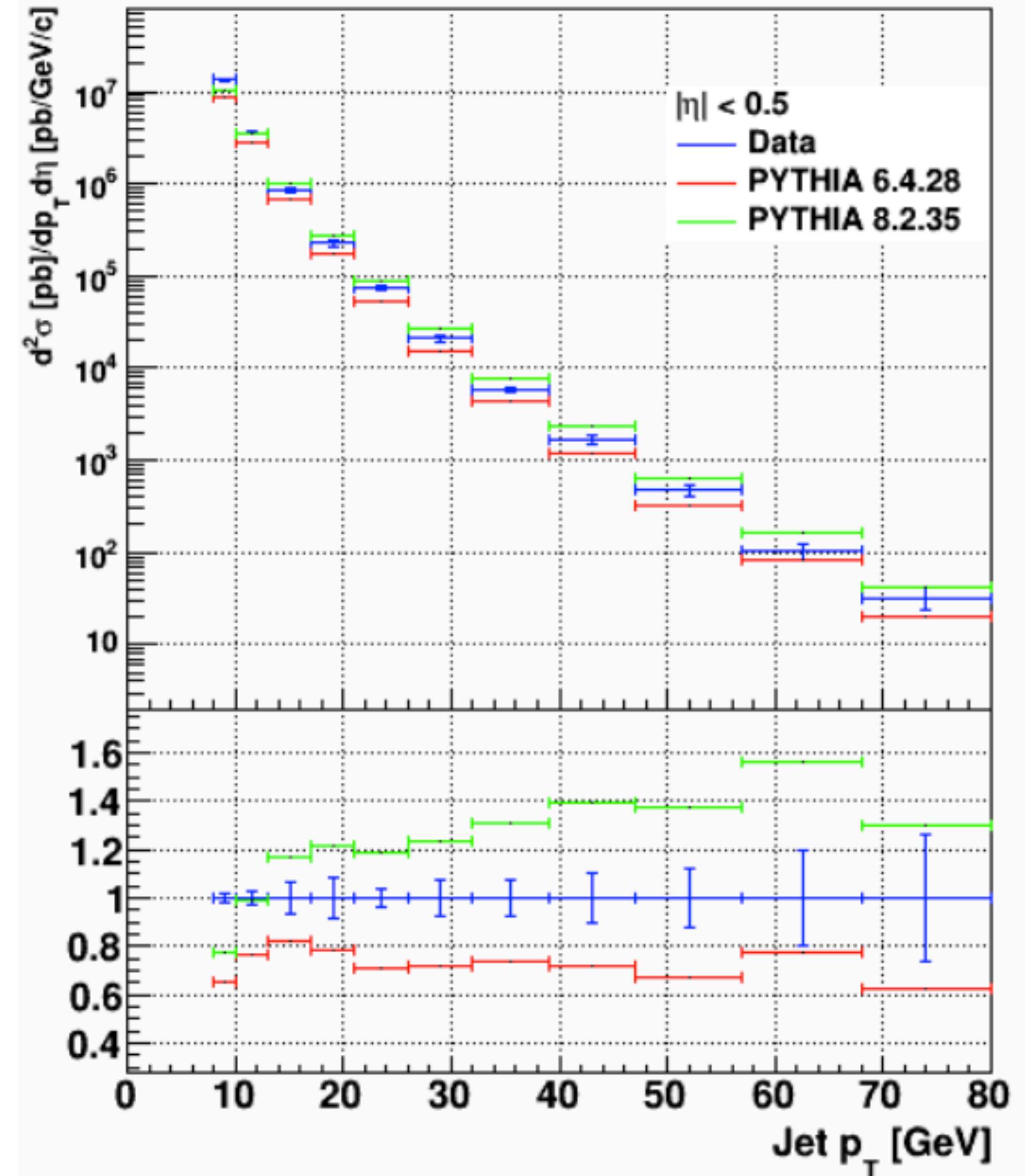
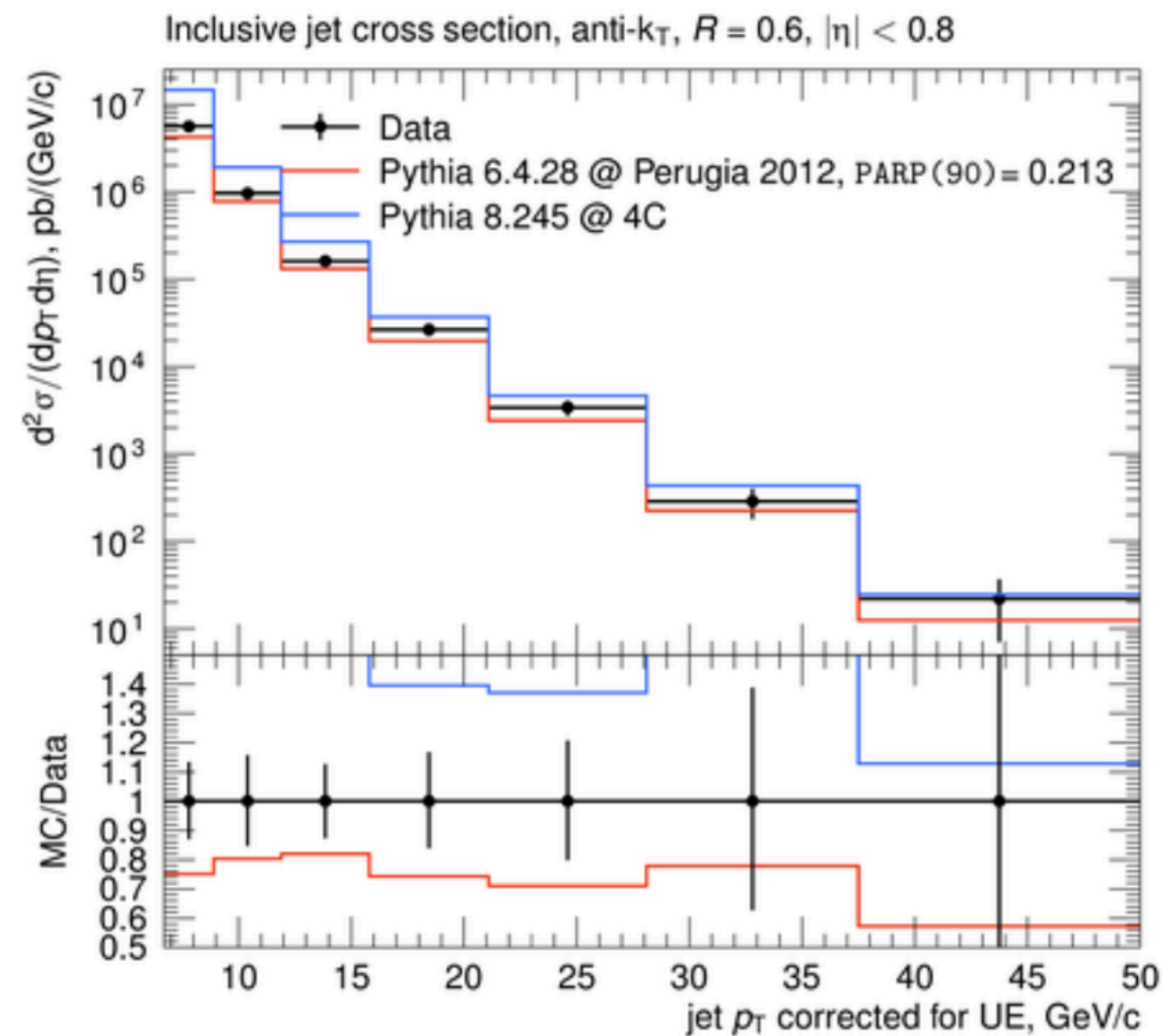
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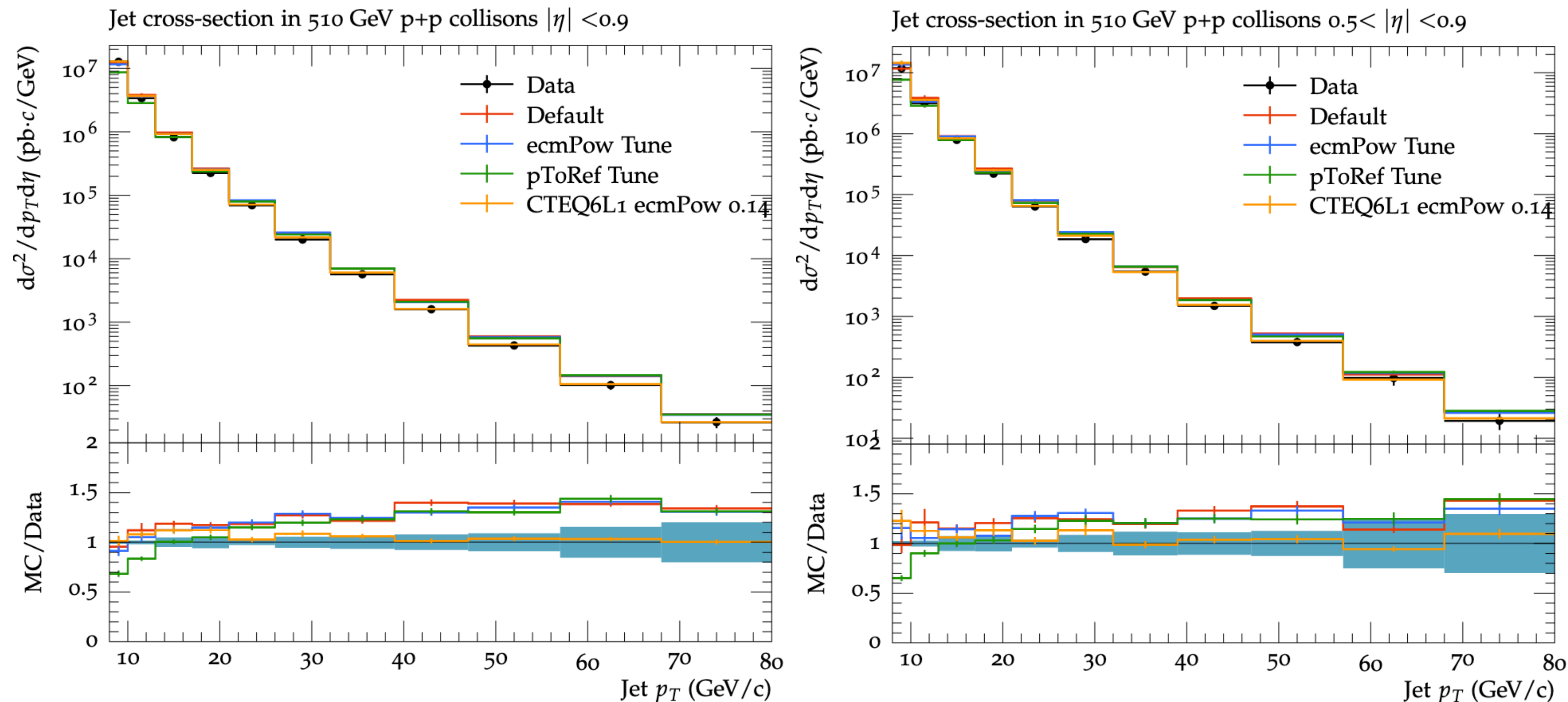
# p+p 510 GeV Jet Spectra

In general default PYTHIA 8 seems to over-predict the data while PYTHIA 6 (STAR tune) under-predicts

- Due to proton PDFs (NNPDF vs. CTEQ6L1)?
- Also seen with 200 GeV jets
- Note both analyses corrected for UE



# p+p 510 GeV Jet Spectra



**Tuned PYTHIA 8 slightly modified from default**

- Directly tuned pT0Ref does worse at low  $p_T$  (would need sequential tuning to get new extrapolation factor?)

**PYTHIA 8 w/ CTEQ6L1+tune (same pT0 as PYTHIA 6 tune) reasonably reproduces scale and shape**