

MC-TESTER:

a tool for comparisons of HEP Monte Carlo Generators

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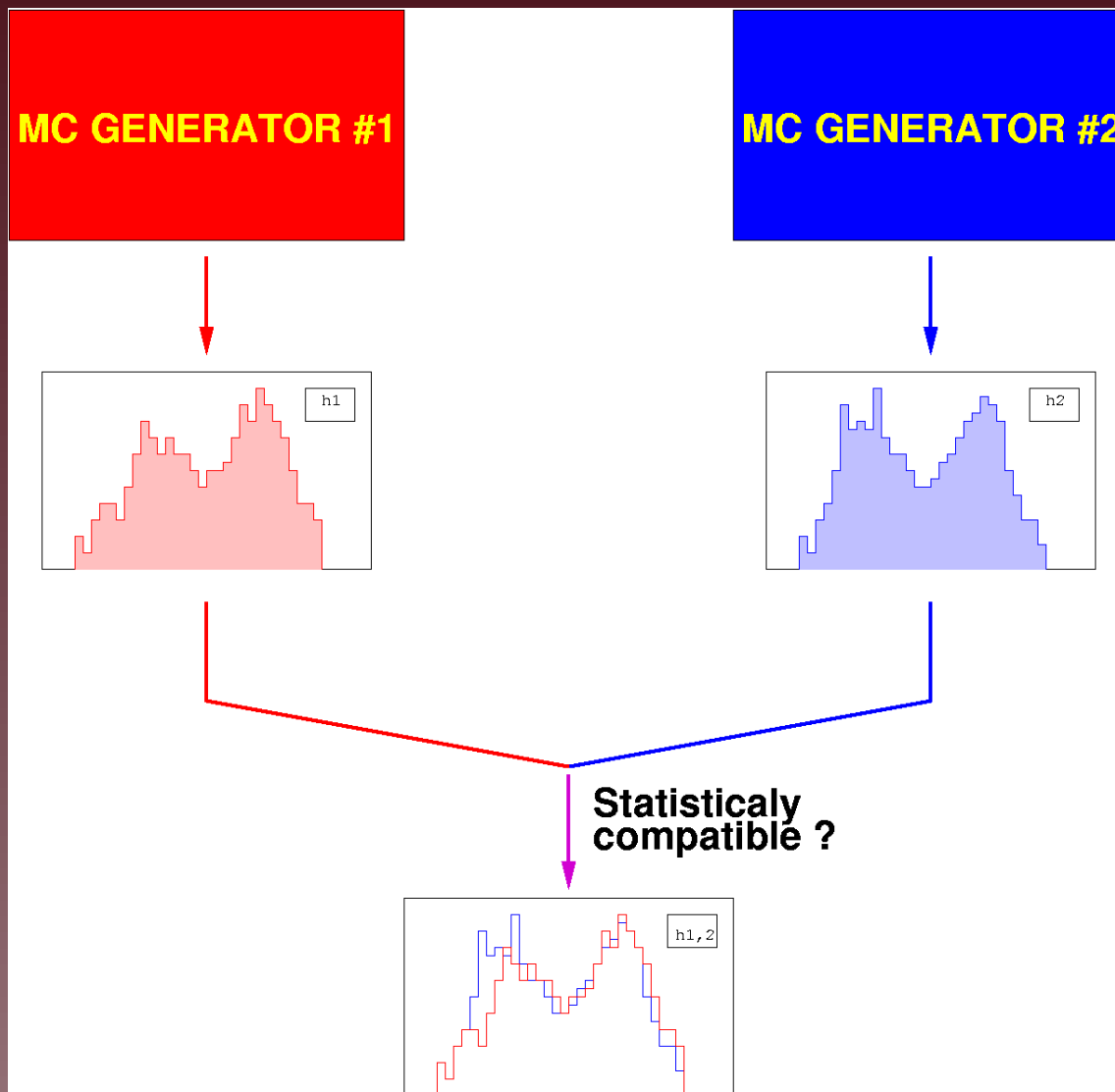
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- authors: *P. Golonka, T. Pierzchala, Z. Was*
- development: November 2000 - July 2002
- version 1.0 released: September 2002
- documentation: hep-ph\0210252:
“*MC-TESTER: a universal tool for comparisons of Monte Carlo predictions for particle decays in high energy physics*”

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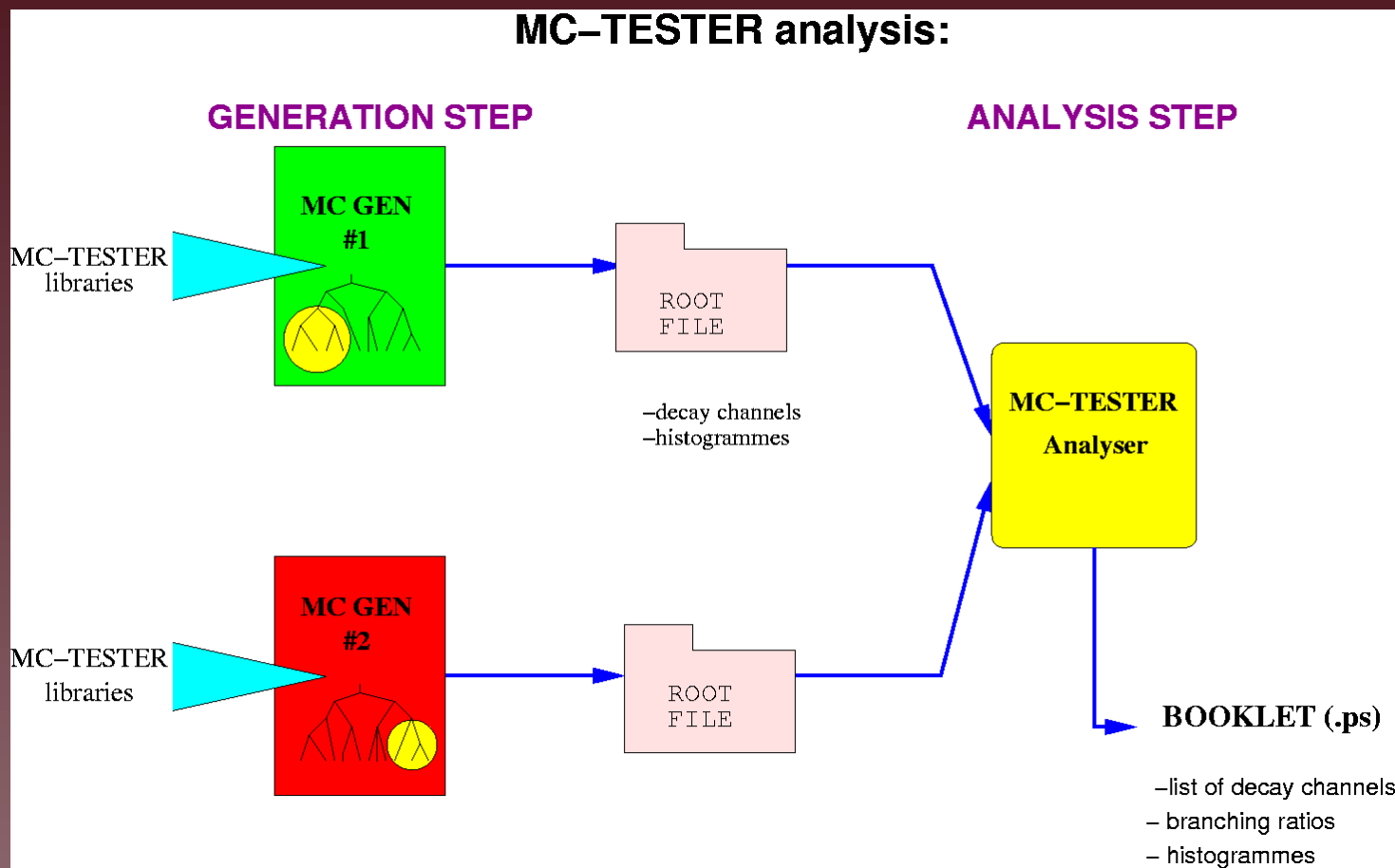
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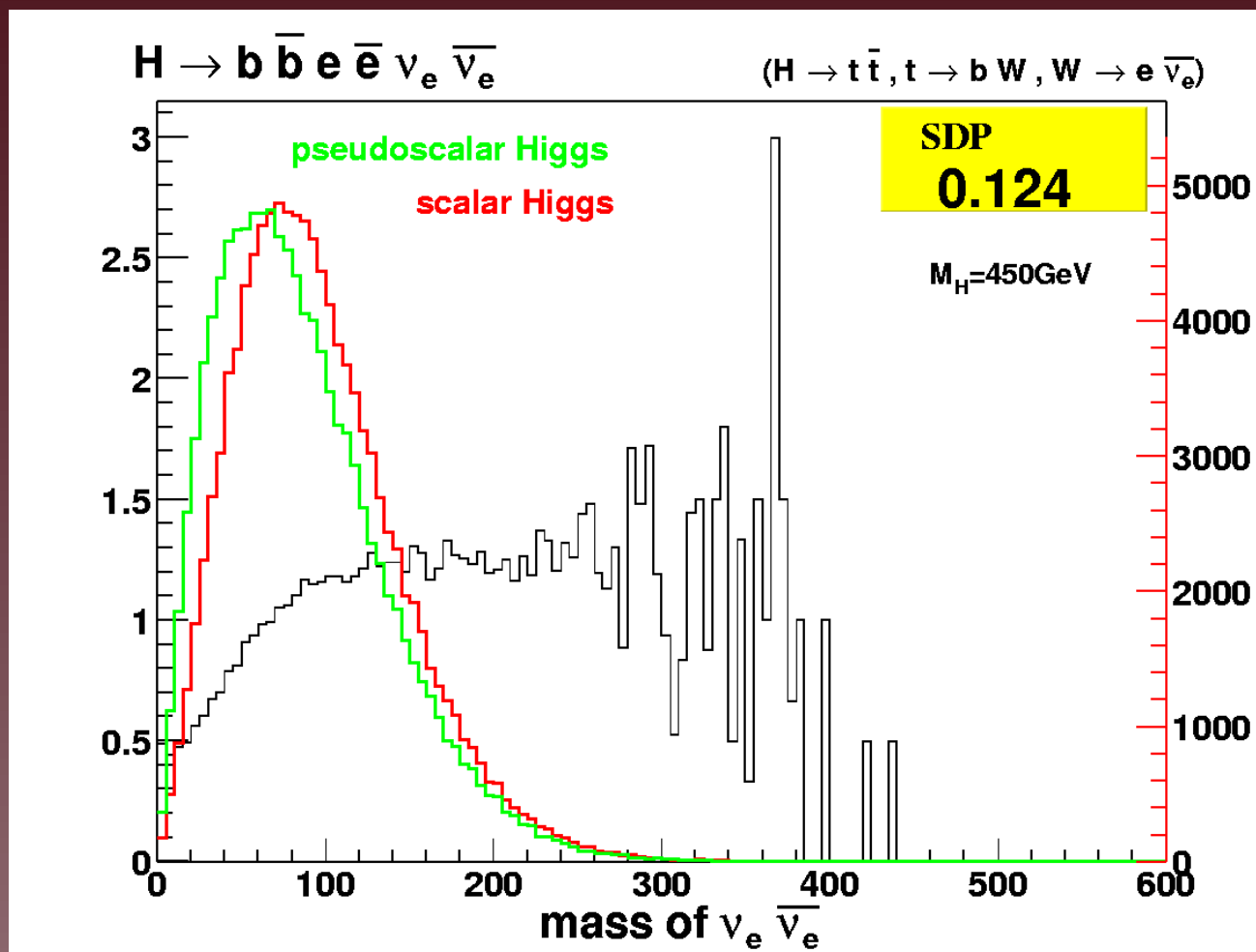
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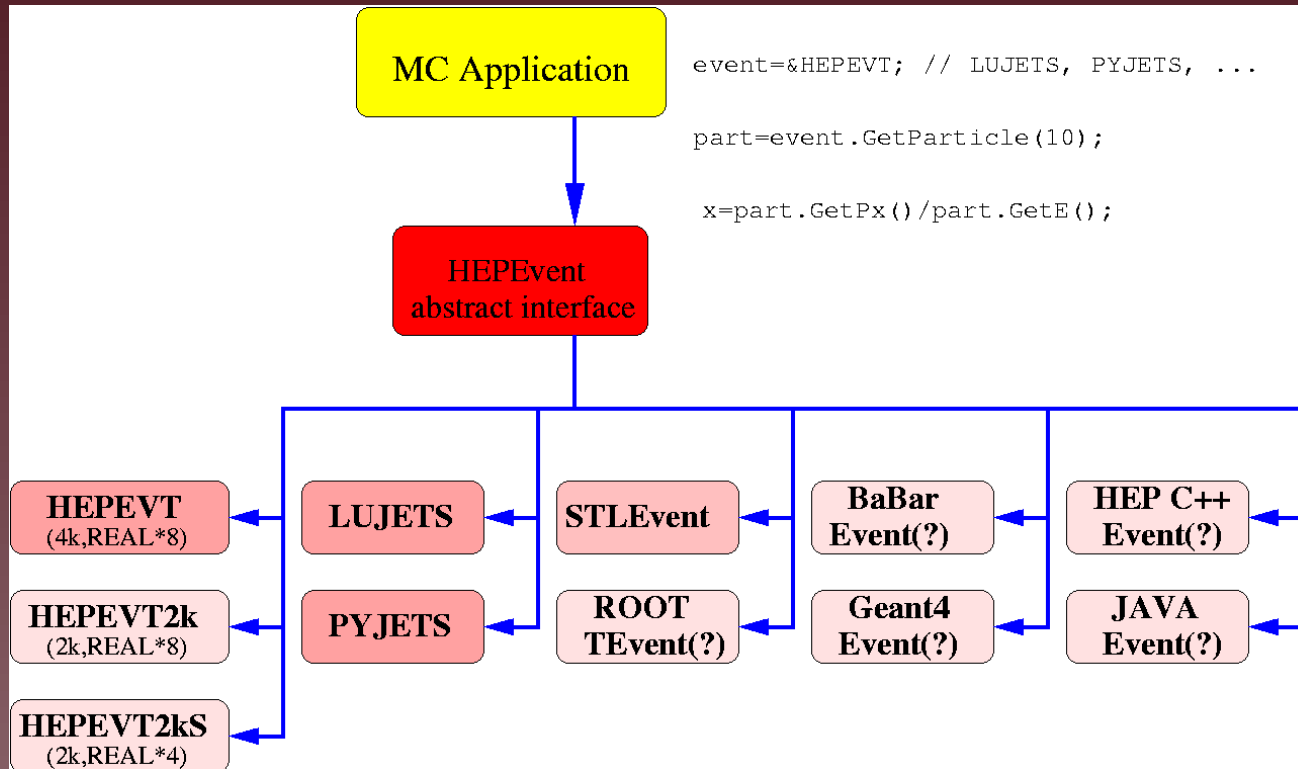
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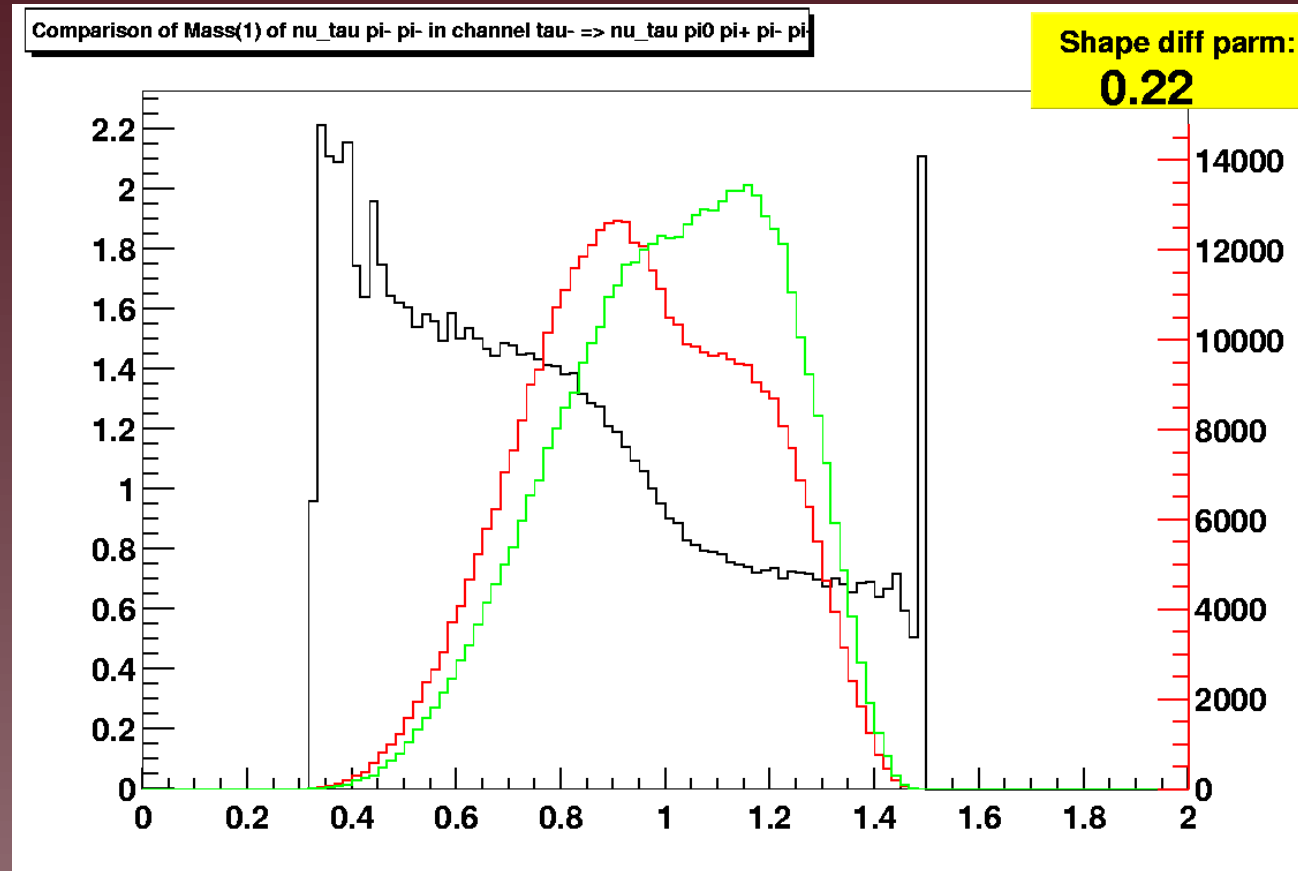
Example:

τ lepton decay generators comparison:

- two versions of TAUOLA library with different initializations:
 - ★ CLEO
 - ★ ALEPH
- PYTHIA

Task: identify and compare the decay channels of the τ lepton produced by these generators.

Ex: single plot



Accessibility:

- The program and the documentation are available from the webpage:
<http://cern.ch/Piotr.Golonka/MC/MC-TESTER>

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- It may help to find observables for physics studies

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