

Jet Substructure Reconstruction and Application as a Search Tool in ATLAS

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Results presented today

Limited to 2011 data with $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV – the results from 2012 analyses are not yet published...

Sorry!

All ATLAS results presented here are – if not stated otherwise – published in [arXiv:1306.4945v1](https://arxiv.org/abs/1306.4945v1) [[hep-ex](https://arxiv.org/abs/1306.4945v1)] and submitted to [JHEP](https://arxiv.org/abs/1306.4945v1)!

About 64 pages with 54 figures – much more details than can be covered in this talk!

The results shown here and in the paper reflect an enormous amount of work from a very active group of people in ATLAS

Thank everybody who helped with this!

Every omission or misrepresentation of the findings presented here are mine and not theirs!

Introduction

Motivation

ATLAS at LHC

Signals and experimental environment for jet reconstruction in ATLAS

Jet grooming techniques under consideration

Measuring jet shapes and substructure in ATLAS

Jet shape observables

Jet mass calibration and validation

Substructure based reconstruction performance in pile-up

Evaluation of jet substructure modeling

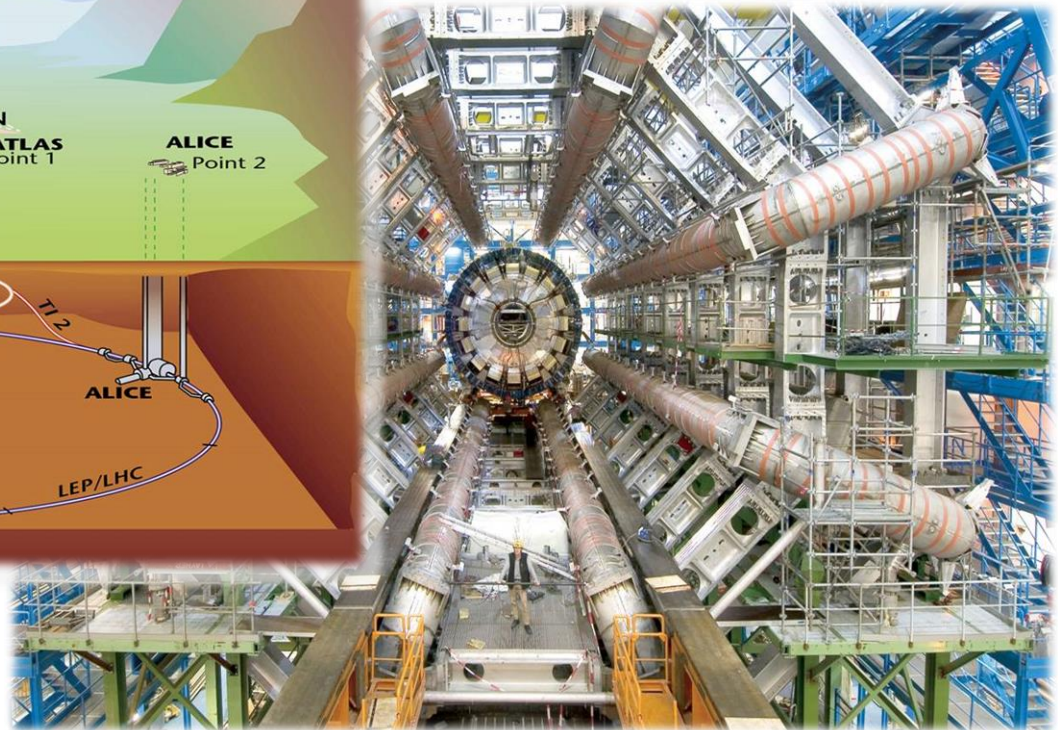
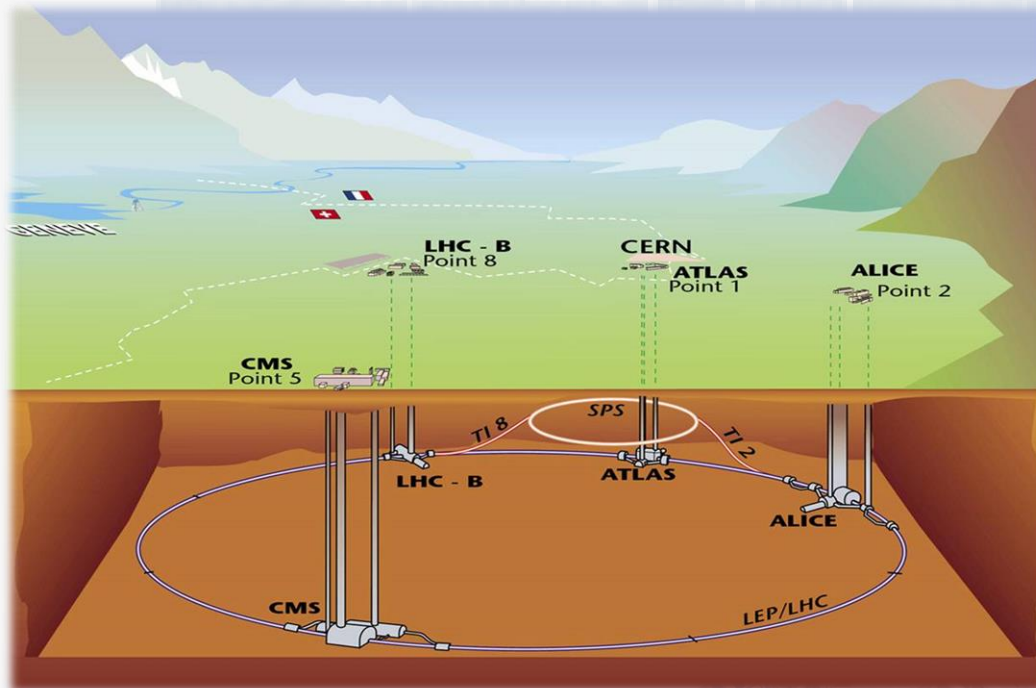
Basics for application in searches for new physics

Finding the decay products – jet grooming in final states with top quarks and W bosons

First application in searches

Conclusions and outlook

Introduction



Kinematic reach at LHC

Allows production of boosted (heavy) particles like W and Higgs bosons, and top quarks decaying into collimated (single-jet like) final states

All decay products are collected into one jet with size

$$R \approx 2m/p_T$$

Final state not resolvable with standard (narrow jet) techniques anymore

Searches for new heavy particles with boosted (SM) decay products

Single jet mass indicative observable for new particle production

High luminosity

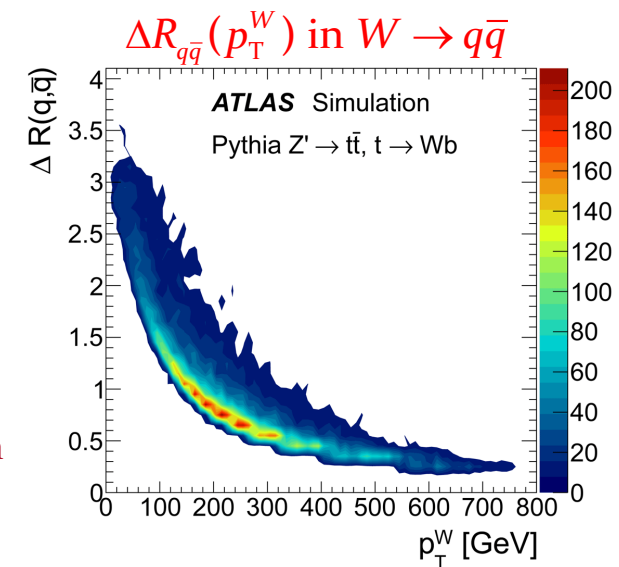
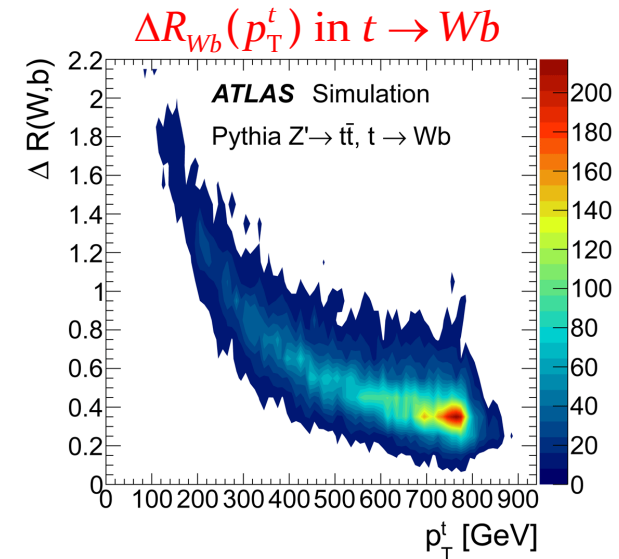
Presence of additional proton-proton collisions in a bunch crossing can deteriorate single jet mass and shape measurements

Needs techniques to extract relevant internal jet energy flow structures for mass reconstruction from diffuse pile-up contributions severely affecting single jet mass scales and resolutions

Jet substructure analysis

Collection of techniques aiming at enhancing two- or three-prong decay patterns in single jets

Typically leads to suppression of QCD-like backgrounds from quark- and gluon jets with their typical parton shower and fragmentation driven internal flow structure



Multi-purpose detector system

High resolution tracking system

High precision charged track reconstruction within $|\eta| < 2.5$

Full coverage calorimetry

Highly granular electromagnetic (EM) calorimeters within $|\eta| < 3.2$

Full EM and hadronic (HAD) coverage within $|\eta| < 4.9$

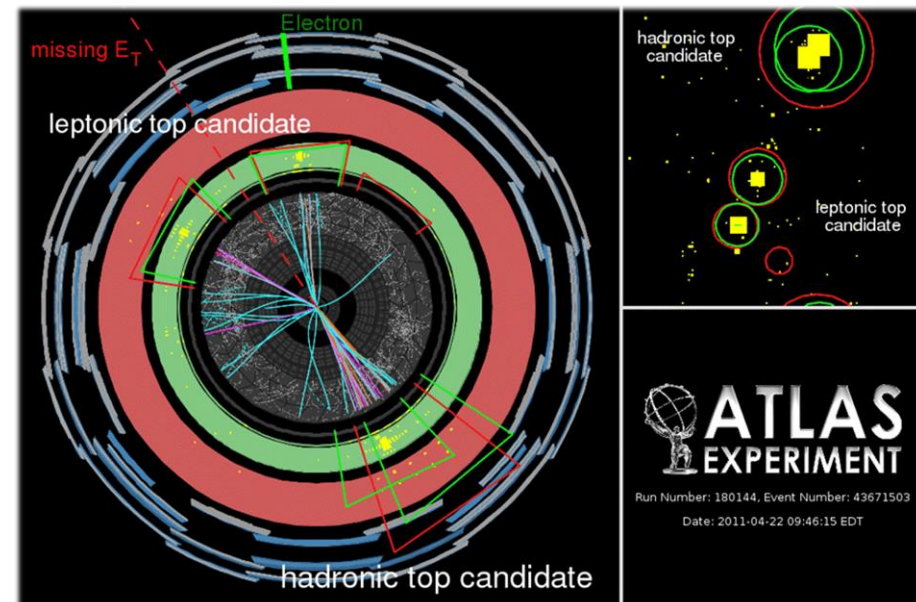
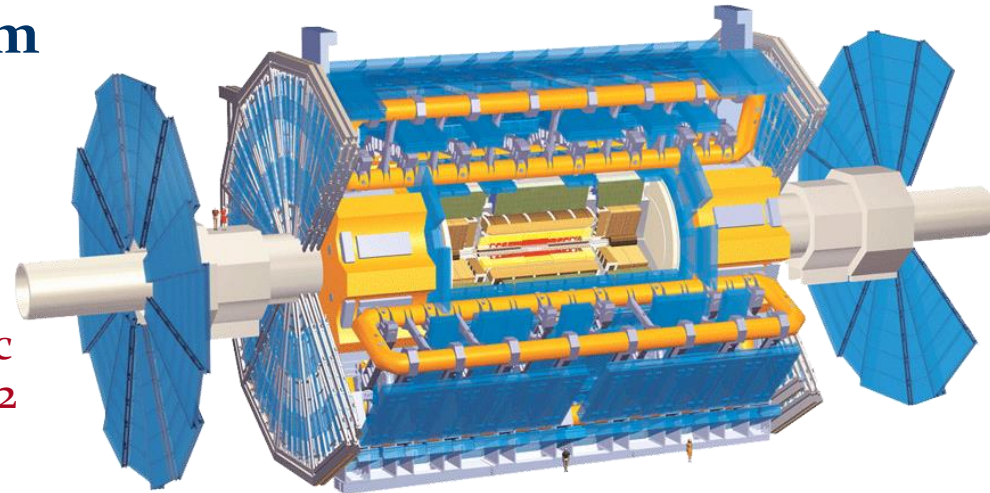
About 190,000 independent readout cells

3-7 longitudinal segments for optimal EM and HAD shower reconstruction

Air toroid muon system

High precision muon momentum reconstruction and triggering within $|\eta| < 2.7$

Not used in substructure measurements in 2011 – outside of possible event selections



Basic jet signals from ATLAS calorimetry

Topological cell clusters for jet finding and formation

($|\eta| < 4.9$)

Defined by calorimeter cell signal significance patterns

Locally calibrated

High quality reconstructed charged particles tracks for jet characterization and validation

$p_T > 500$ MeV, $|\eta| < 2.5$

Jet energy and mass calibration refinements and validation

Sub-jet calibration calibration

Angular resolution

Reference for transverse momentum and mass not affected by pile-up

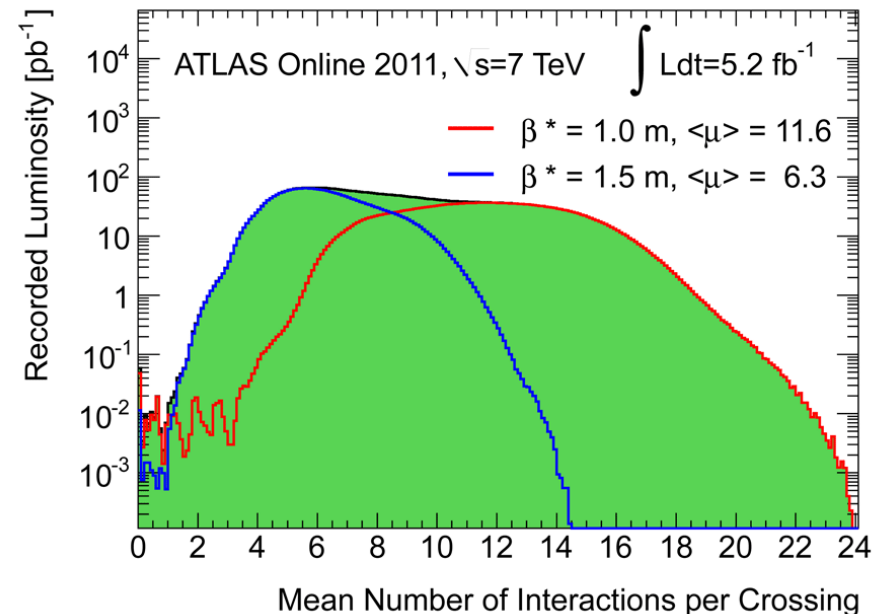
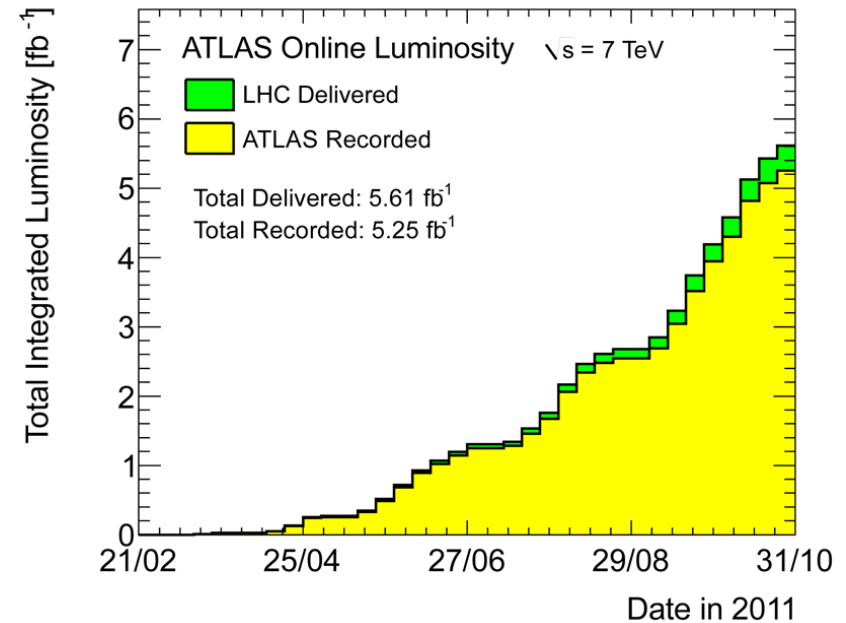
Experimental conditions at LHC

Data taken 2011 at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV

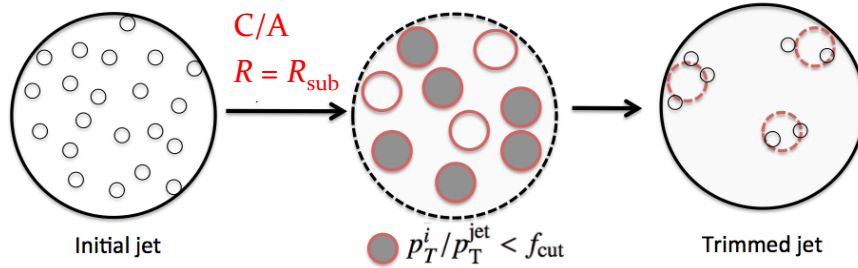
Significant pile-up from additional proton-proton interactions in recorded event (bunch crossing)

Significantly affects calorimeter signals – typically requires corrections

About 4.7 fb^{-1} used for the presented studies



Trimming



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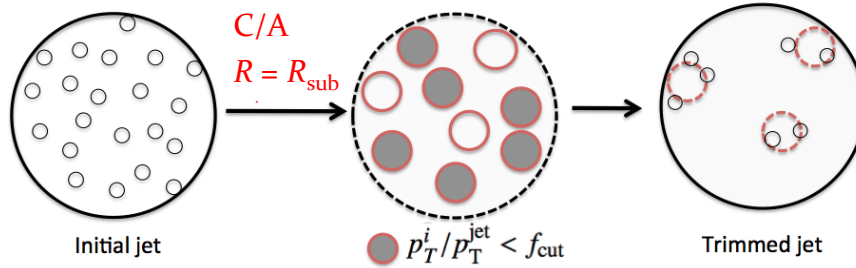
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$$f_{\text{cut}} = \{0.01, 0.03, 0.05\}$$

$$p_T^{\text{sub}} > f_{\text{cut}} \times p_T^{\text{jet}}$$

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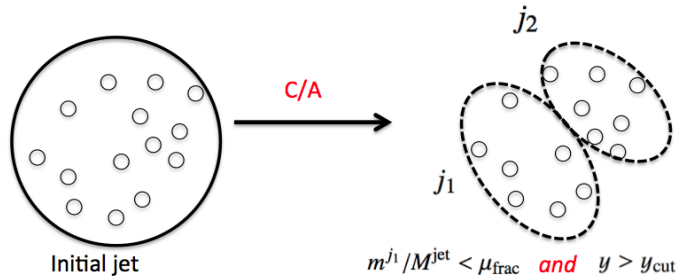


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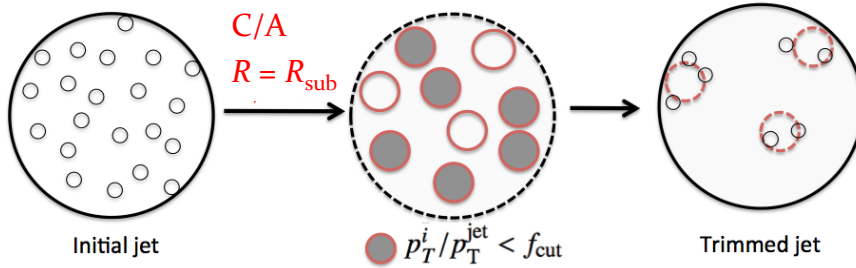
$$m_{j_1} / m_{\text{jet}} < \mu_{\text{frac}}$$

$$y = \frac{\min[p_{T,j_1}^2, p_{T,j_2}^2]}{m_{\text{jet}}^2} \times \Delta R_{j_1,j_2} > y_{\text{cut}}$$

$$\mu_{\text{frac}} = \{0.20, 0.33, 0.67\}, y_{\text{cut}} = 0.09$$

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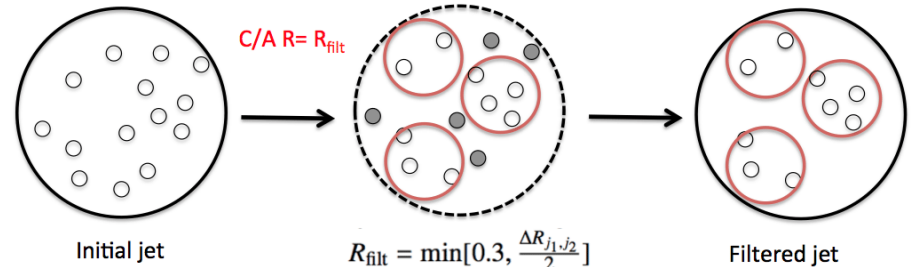
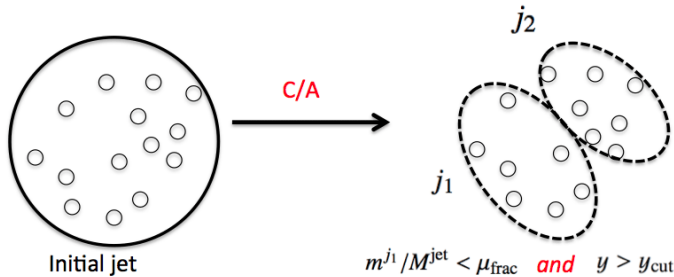
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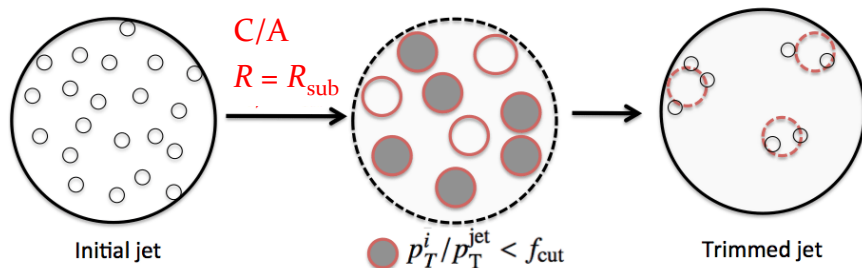


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$$R_{\text{filt}} = \max[0.3, \Delta R_{j_1-j_2} / 2]$$

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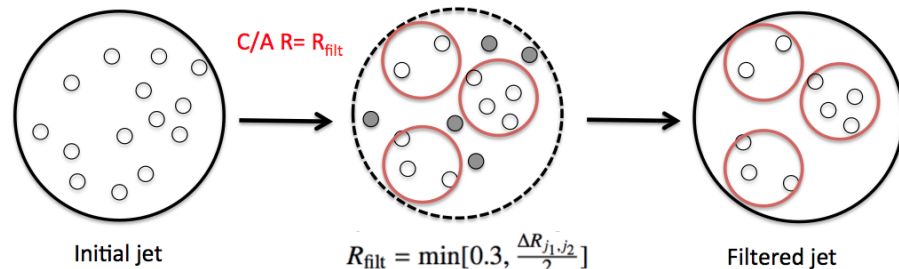
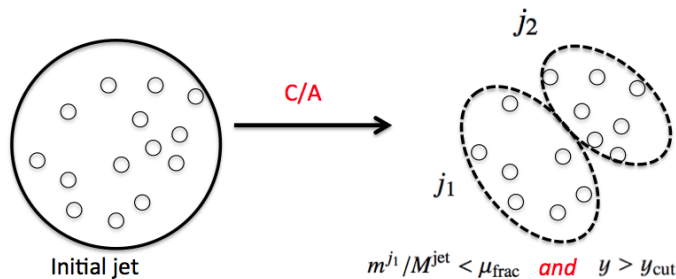
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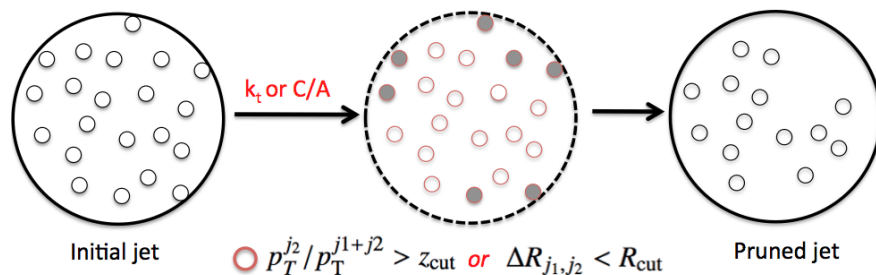
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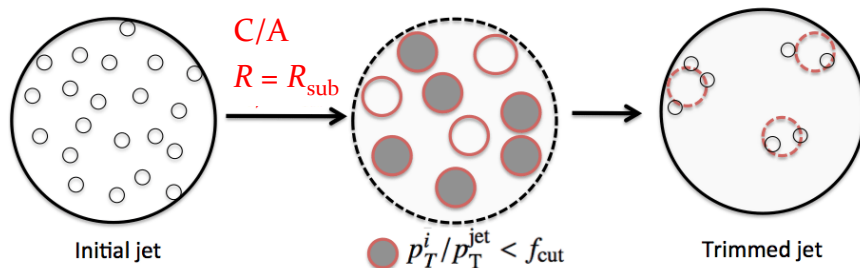
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$$\Delta R_{j_1-j_2} < R_{\text{cut}} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{p_T^{j_2}}{p_T^{j_1+j_2}} > z_{\text{cut}}$$

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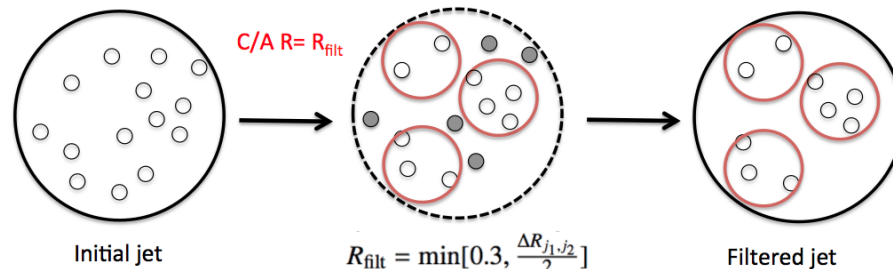
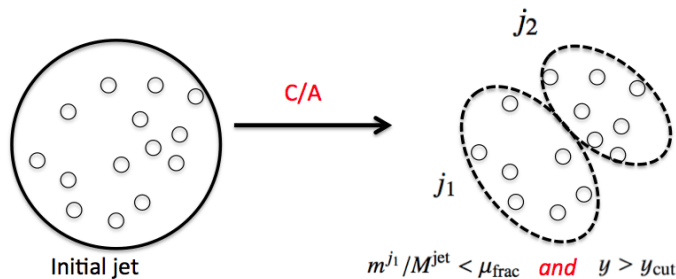
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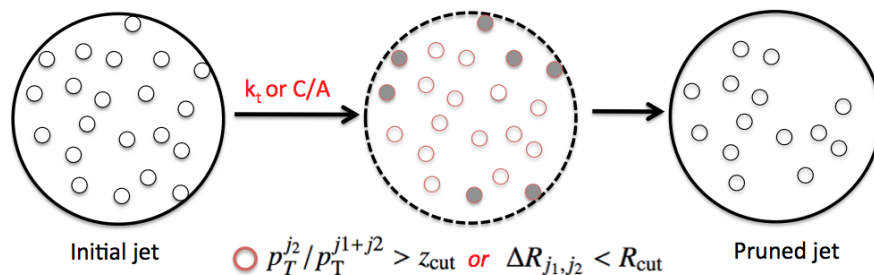
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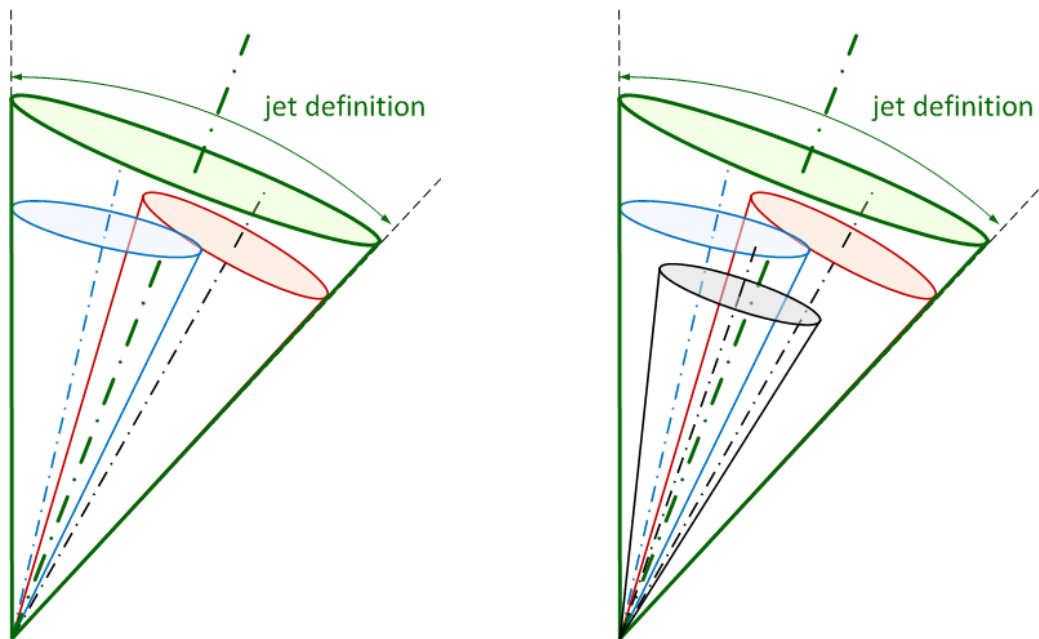
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$$R_{\text{cut}} = \{0.1, 0.2, 0.3\}$$

$$z_{\text{cut}} = \{0.05, 0.1\}$$

Measuring Jet Shapes and Substructure with ATLAS



Single jet mass

$$m_{\text{jet}} = \sqrt{E_{\text{jet}}^2 - p_{\text{jet}}^2}$$

Deduced from four-momentum sum of all jet constituents

Before and after any grooming

Constituents can be massive (generated stable particles, reconstructed tracks) or massless (calorimeter cell clusters)

Can be reconstructed for any meaningful jet algorithm

k_T splitting scales

J.M.Butterworth, B.E.Cox, J.R.Forshaw, *Phys.Rev.* **D65** (2002) 096014

$$\sqrt{d_{ij}} = \min[p_{T,i}, p_{T,j}] \times \Delta R_{ij}$$

k_T distance of last (d_{12}) or second-to-last (d_{23}) recombination

Typically only hardest and next-to-hardest recombination considered in ATLAS

Has expectation values for pronged decays

$d_{23} \approx (M/2)^2$ for particle with mass M undergoing 2-body decay

N -subjettiness

J.Thaler, K. Van Tilburg, *JHEP* **03** (2011) 15

$$\tau_N = \sum_k p_{T,k} \times \min[\delta R_{1k}, \dots, \delta R_{Nk}] / \left(\sum_k p_{T,k} \times R \right)$$

Measures how well jets can be described assuming N sub-jets

Degree of alignment of jet constituents with N sub-jet axes

Sensitive to two- or three-prong decay versus gluon or quark jet

Highest signal efficiencies from N -subjettiness ratios τ_{N+1}/τ_N

Jet mass calibration in ATLAS

MC and in-situ based calibrations calibrate energy and p_T

Constraints for calibration functions

Single jet mass is not calibrated automatically

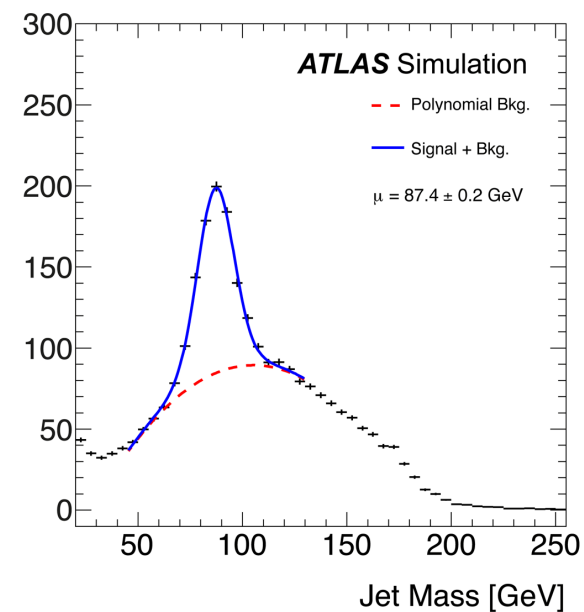
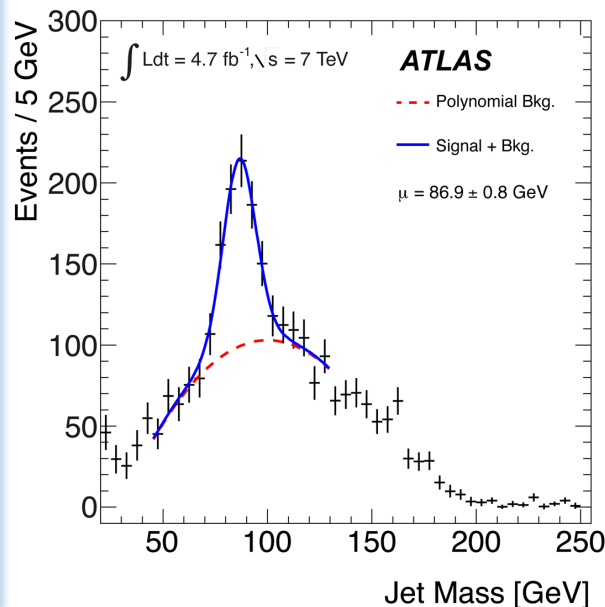
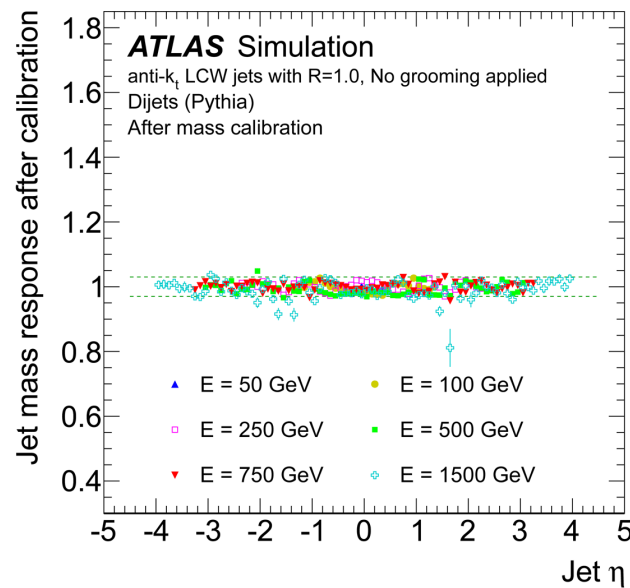
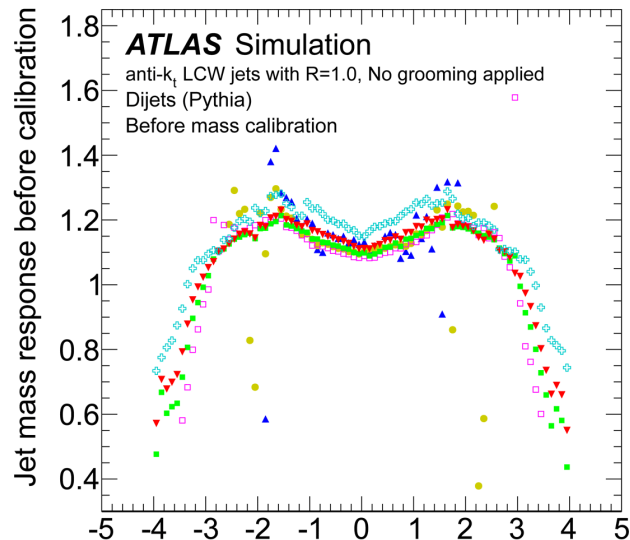
Apply dedicated MC based mass calibration

Validation with MC and data

Ratios of masses from calorimeter and tracks

W boson mass reconstruction

Yields 4-6% systematic uncertainty on jet mass scale, depending on grooming technique applied and jet direction



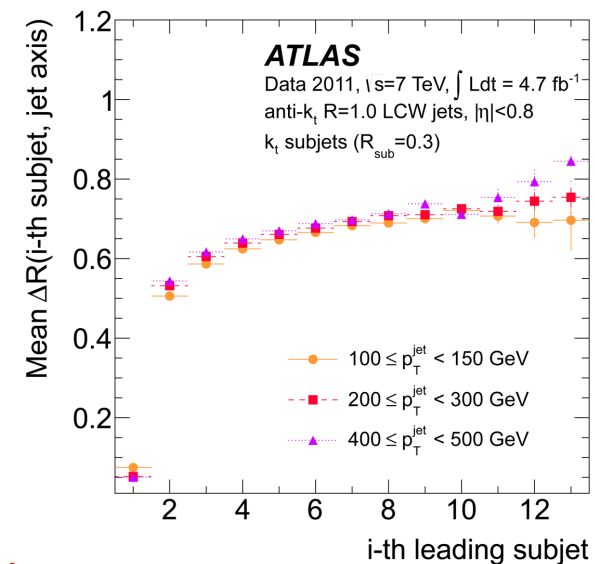
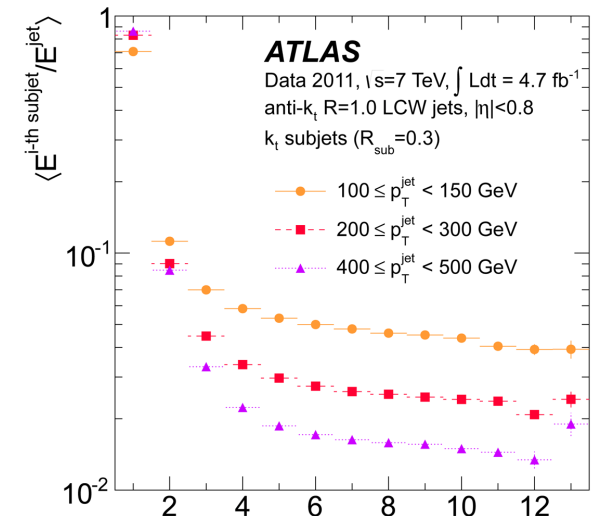
Sub-jet response features

Energy sharing

Fraction of total jet energy carried by sub-jet

Distance to jet axis

Radial dispersion and spatial resolution
 limitations of ATLAS calorimetry



p_T ranking in jet →
high low

Sub-jet response reference

Matching tracks with (calorimeter) sub-jets

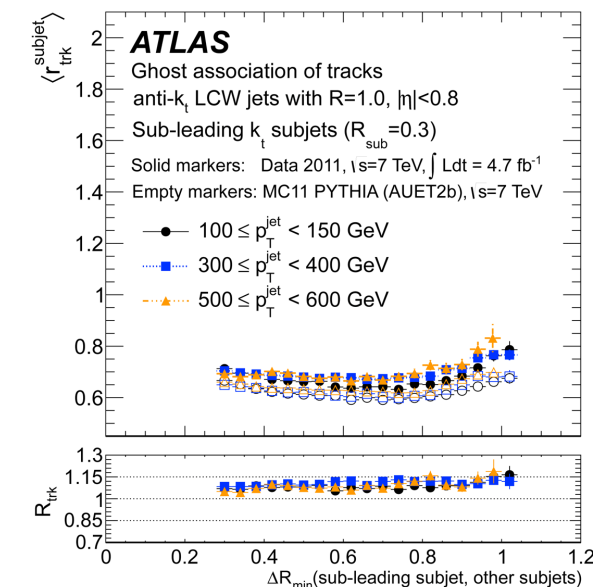
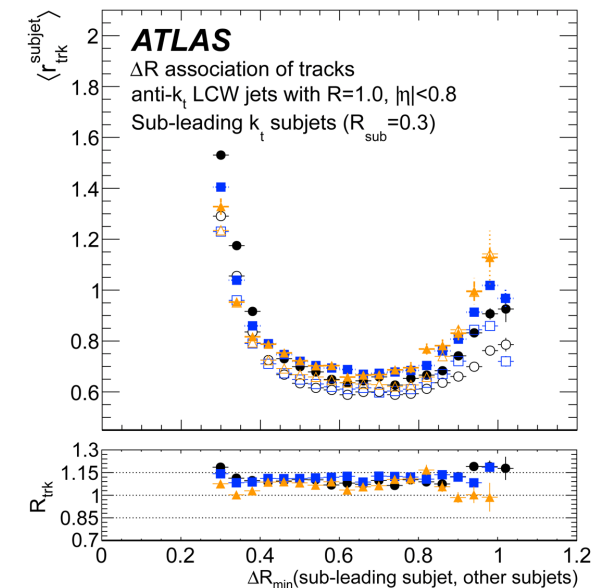
Traditional method based on angular distance in pseudorapidity and azimuth – matching efficiency depending on sub-jet shapes/shape assumptions

“Ghostmatching” clusters tracks into calorimeter sub-jet without interfering with its kinematic ($p_{T, \text{trk}}$ set to tiny value $O(10^{-100} \text{ GeV})$) – matching efficiencies \sim independent of sub-jet shape

Calculating response ratios in data and MC

$$r_{\text{trk}}^{\text{subjet}} = \frac{\sum_{\text{matched tracks}} p_T^{\text{track}}}{p_T^{\text{subjet}}}$$

$$\langle R_{\text{trk}}^{\text{subjet}} \rangle = \frac{\langle r_{\text{trk}}^{\text{subjet}} \rangle_{\text{data}}}{\langle r_{\text{trk}}^{\text{subjet}} \rangle_{\text{MC}}}$$



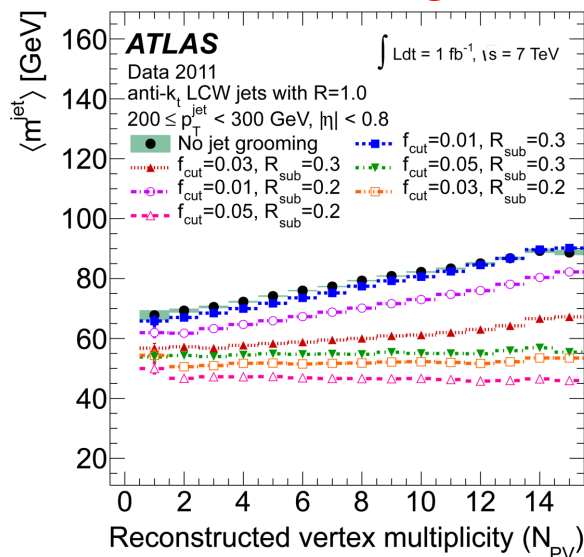
Average effect of jet grooming on the pile-up dependence of the reconstructed single jet mass

Anti- k_T jets, $R = 1.0$

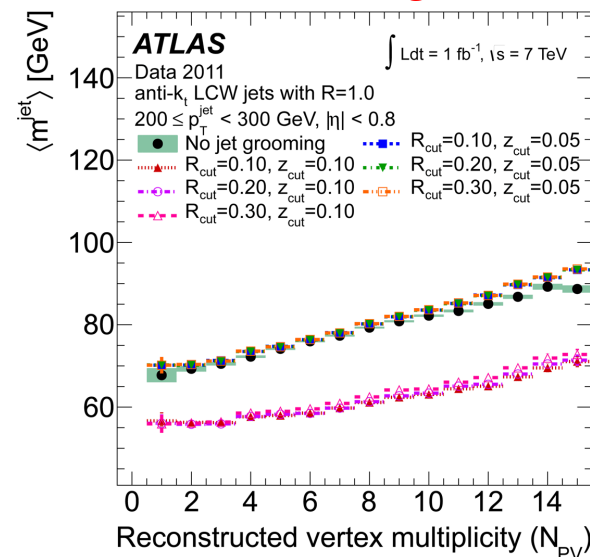
inclusive jet sample:

$$200 < p_T^{\text{jet}} < 300 \text{ GeV}, |\eta| < 0.8$$

Trimming



Pruning



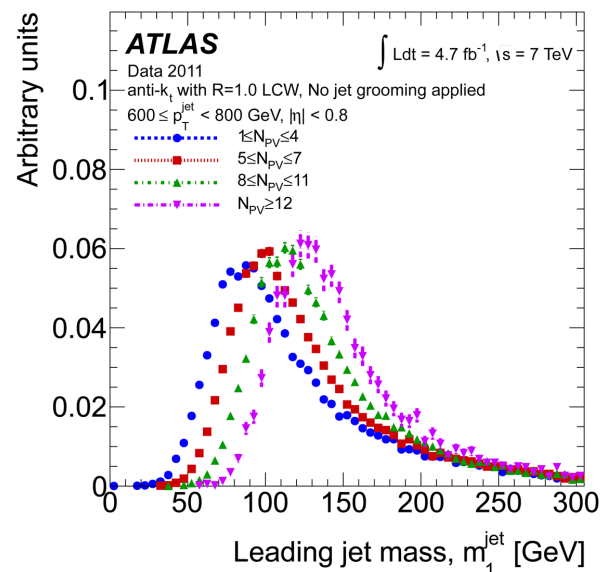
Effect of jet trimming on the spectrum of the reconstructed jet mass

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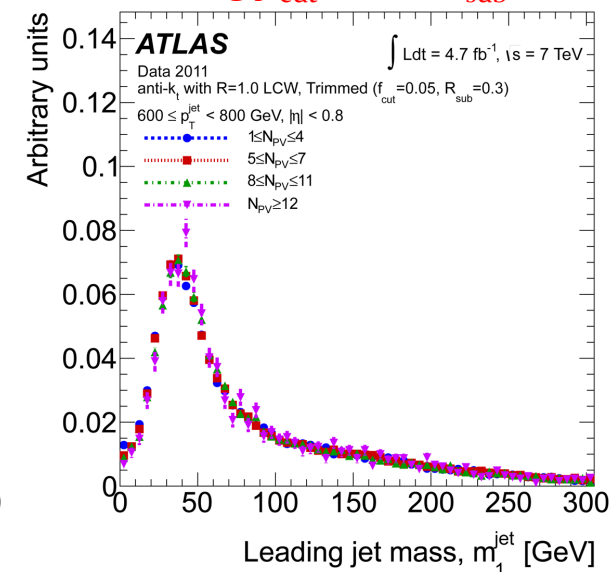
inclusive jet sample:

$$600 < p_T^{\text{jet}} < 800 \text{ GeV}, |\eta| < 0.8$$

Ungroomed



Trimming $f_{\text{cut}} = 0.03, R_{\text{sub}} = 0.3$

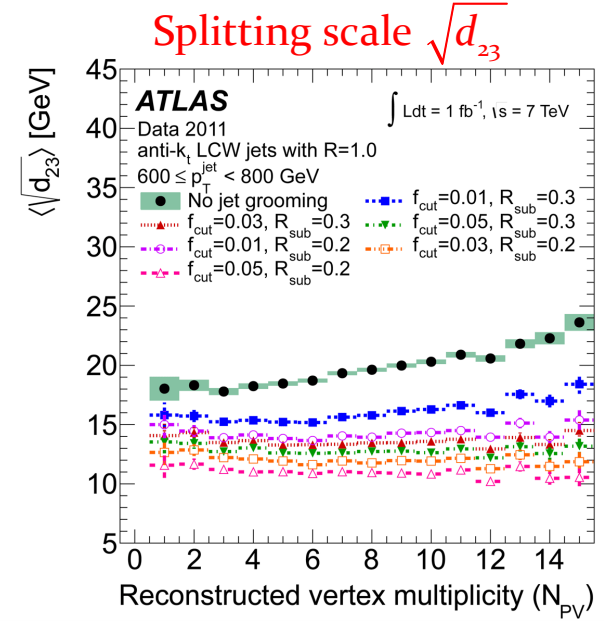
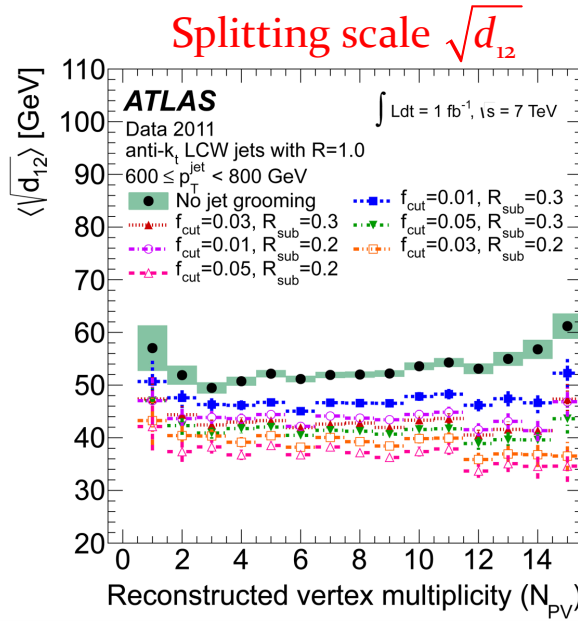


Average effect of jet trimming on the pile-up dependence of the k_T splitting scales

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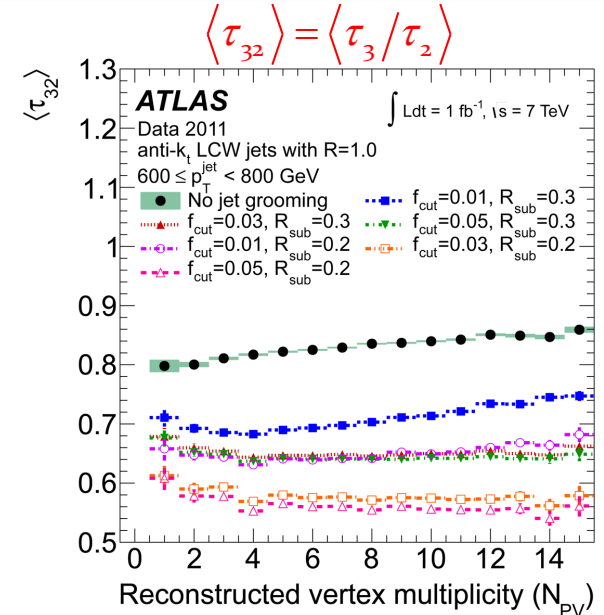
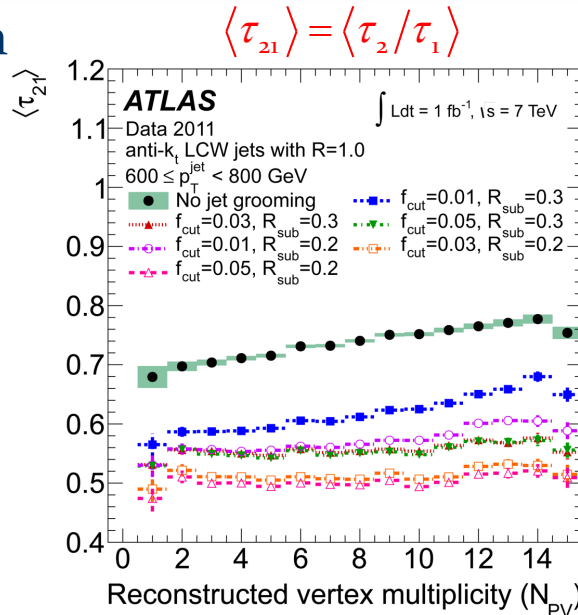


Effect of jet trimming on N -subjettiness ratios

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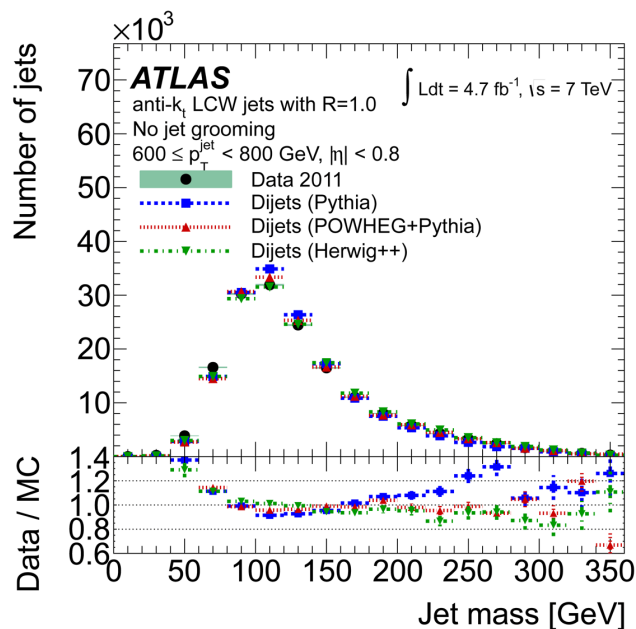


LO versus NLO calculations in MC generation

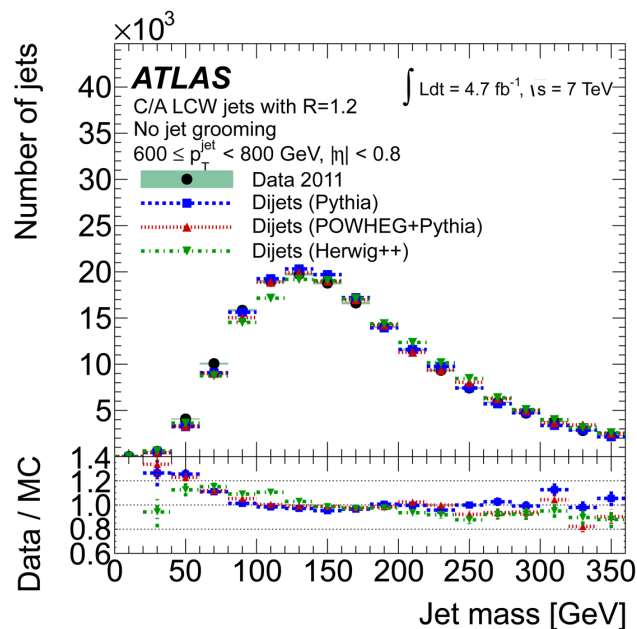
Preference for NLO kernel (POWHEG)

Additional hard emission in di-jet events determines high mass
 Detailed effect depends on jet definition – more enhanced in Anti- k_T
 compared to C/A

Observed for ungroomed jets



Anti- k_T jets, $R = 1.0$



C/A jets, $R = 1.2$

Evaluation of single jet mass modeling quality for an inclusive sample of ungroomed jets with

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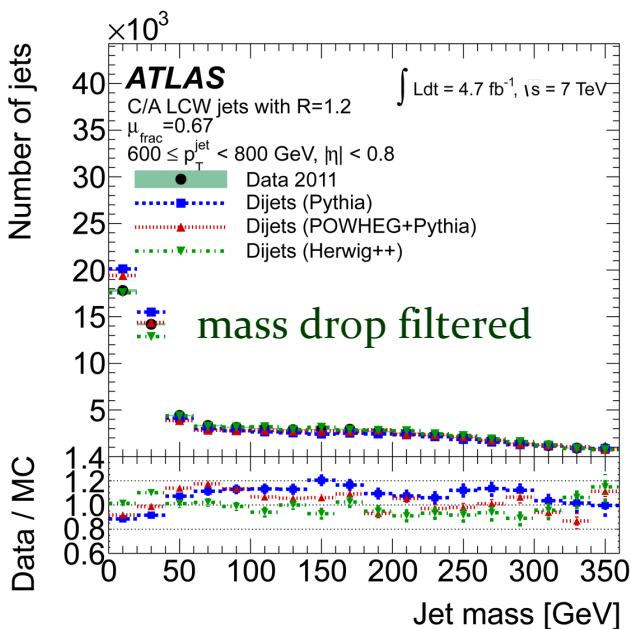
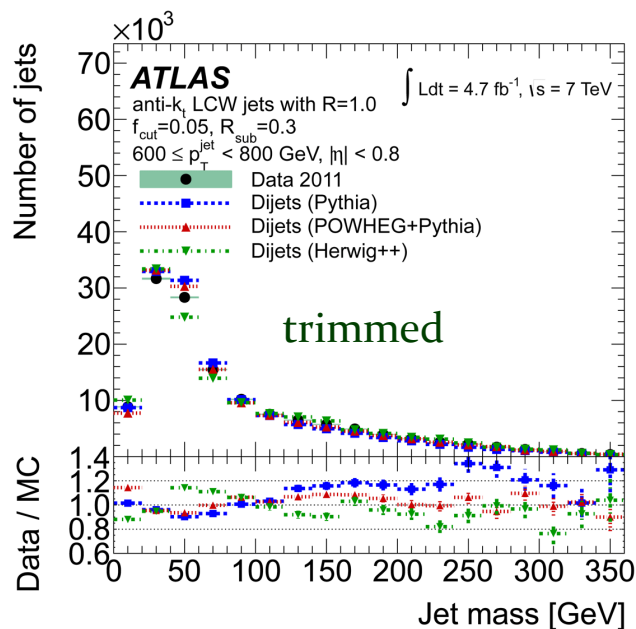
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Observed for ungroomed jets and groomed jets

Modeling quality depends on grooming technique and jet definition!



Evaluation of single jet mass modeling quality for an inclusive sample of groomed jets with $600 < p_T < 800 \text{ GeV}$, $|\eta| < 0.8$

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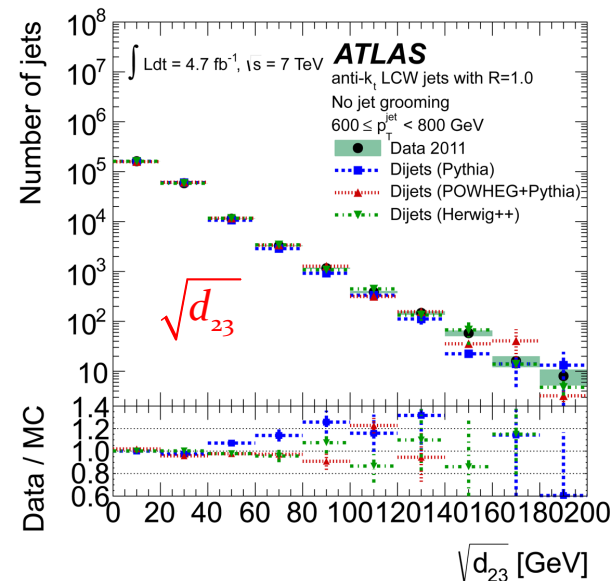
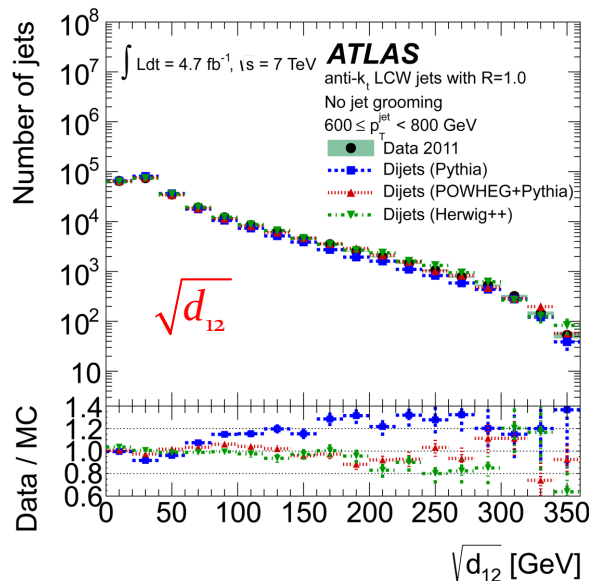
Splitting scale comparisons data/MC – indicate preference for NLO and Herwig++

Anti- k_T jets, $R = 1.0$

No grooming - very similar for groomed jets!

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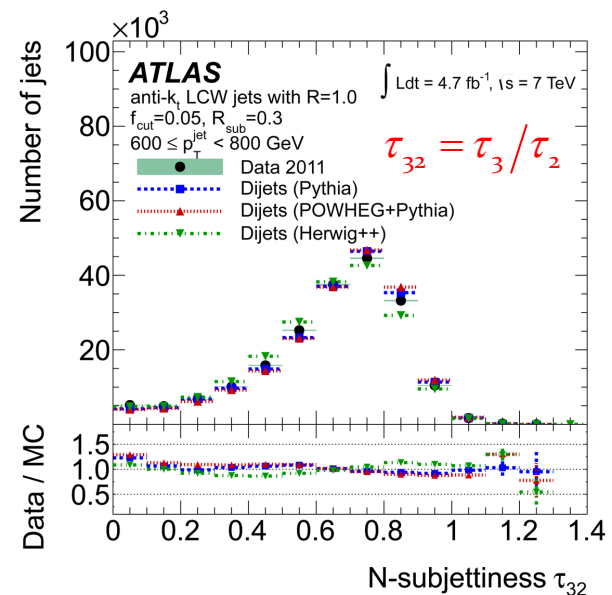
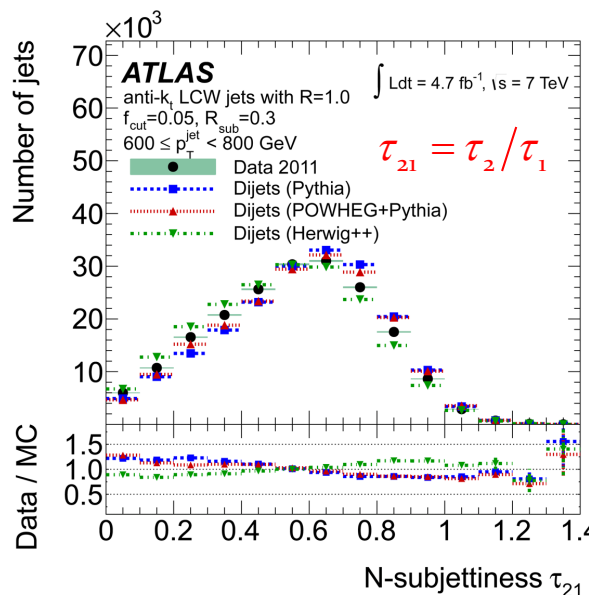
N -subjettiness not too sensitive to LO/NLO kernel choices

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Trimmed - qualitatively similar for ungroomed jets!

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Some substructure observables are expected to be correlated

Single jet mass and splitting scales

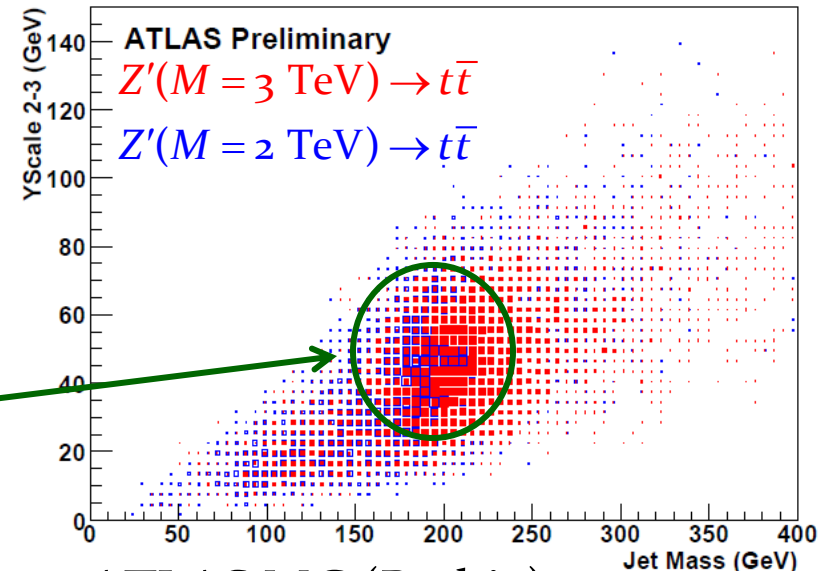
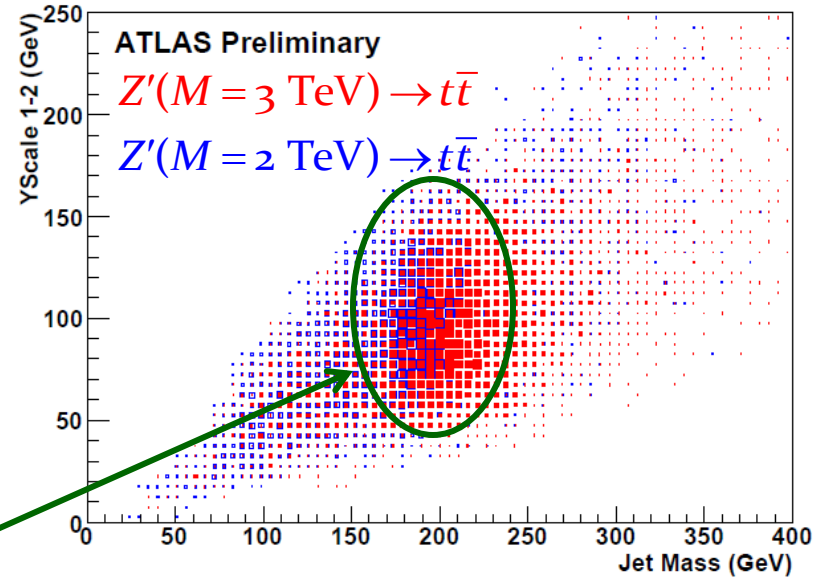
Hardest splitting scale from heaviest particle (2-prong) decay

Next-to-hardest splitting scale from subsequential lighter particle decay

$t \rightarrow Wb$ splitting scale

$W \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ splitting scale

G.Booijmans, *ATL_PHYS-CONF-2008-008*(2008)



ATLAS MC (Pythia)

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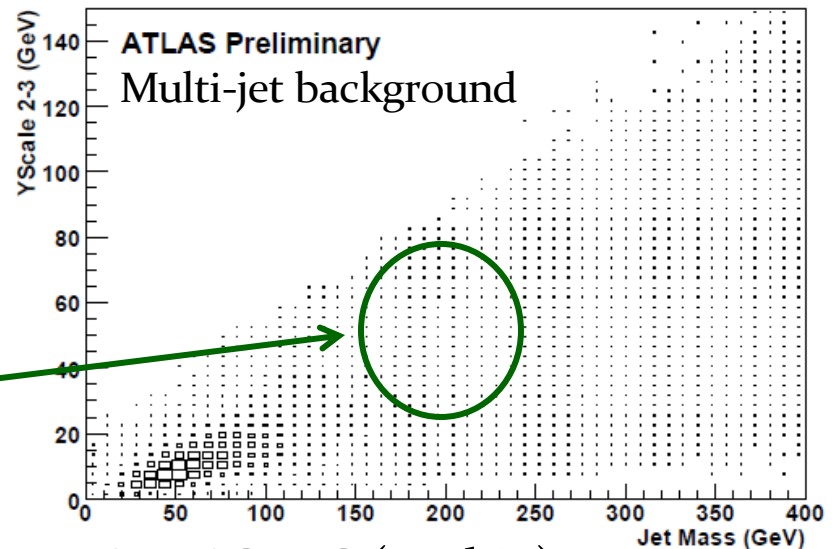
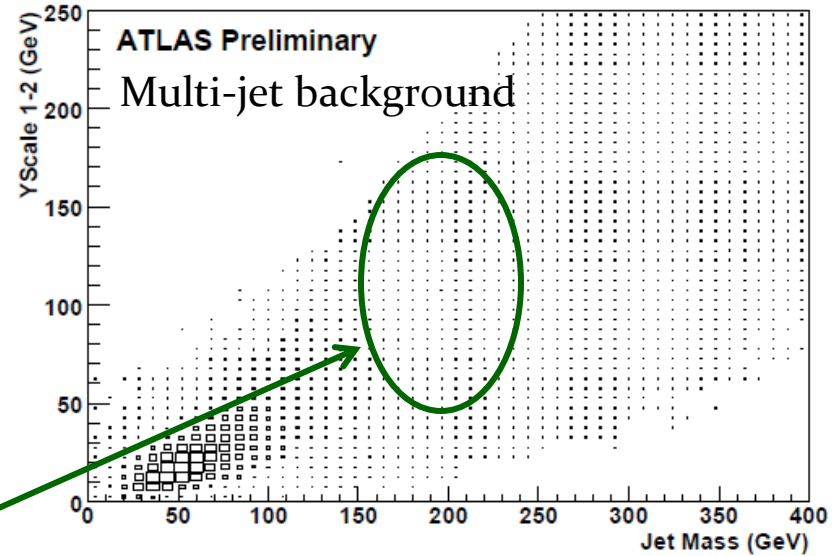
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ATLAS MC (Pythia)

Modeling correlations in single jet structural observables

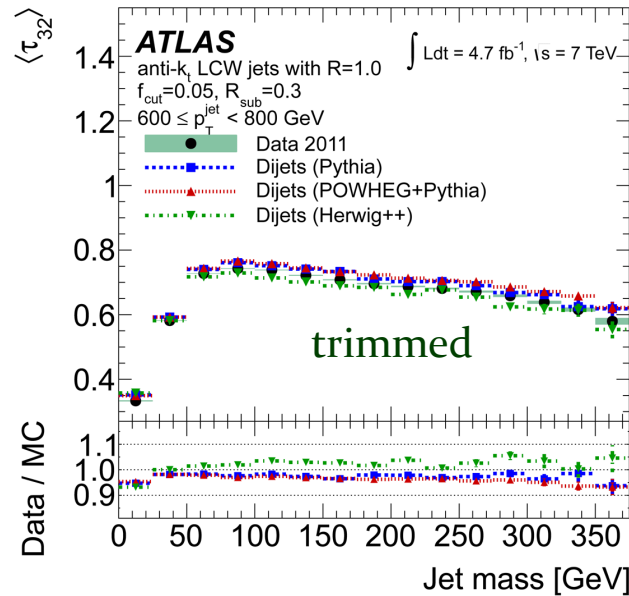
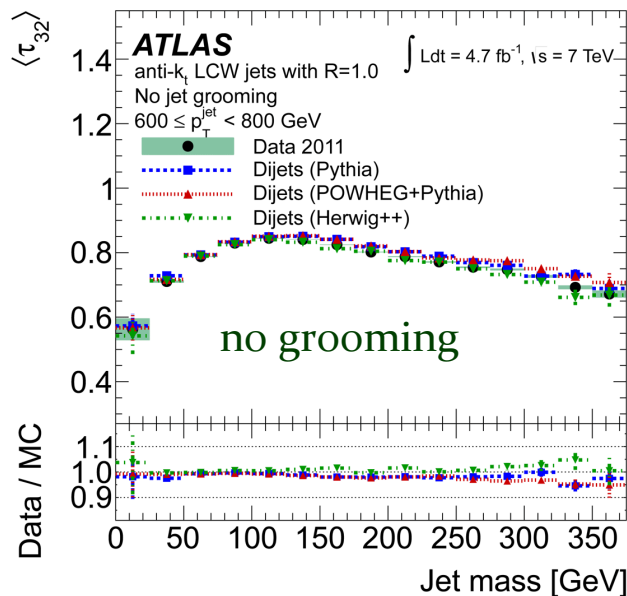
Example: evolution of N -subjettiness ratio τ_{23} with single jet mass

Modeled well within a few percent by all considered generators

Qualitatively different behavior of Herwig++

Observed for ungroomed jets and groomed jets


Modeling at same quality with a small increase of differences to Herwig++



Evaluation of modeling quality of average correlation between N -subjettiness ratio τ_{23} and single jet mass for an inclusive jet sample with

$600 < p_T < 800 \text{ GeV}$,
 $|\eta| < 0.8$

Anti- k_T jets, $R = 1.0$



Basics for Application in Searches for New Physics

Top – Anti-top production

Most often observed top quark final state at LHC

Data collected in 2011 for the first time allowed to study boosted hadronically decaying top

Large potential background for new physics

E.g., Z' decaying into top-anti-top pair

Ideal for performance evaluations of grooming techniques with experimental data

Two boosted particles in same final state ($W \rightarrow qq$ and $t \rightarrow Wb$)

Performance can be determined for two- and three-prong decays

Hadronic top signal extraction

Main trigger and event selection from semi-leptonic top decay

High p_T lepton and large missing transverse momentum

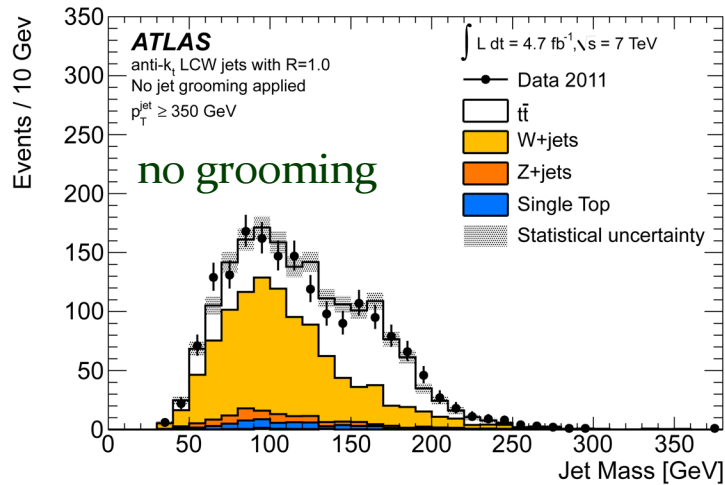
Typically analysis uses leading jet

$p_T > 350$ GeV for jet size $R = 1.0$

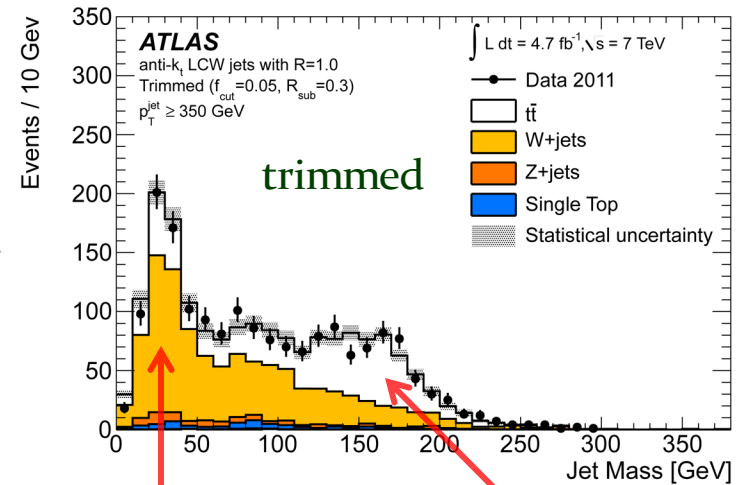
Further refinement for clean sample needed

E.g., HepTopTagger – investing more known features of top quarks, like mass windows

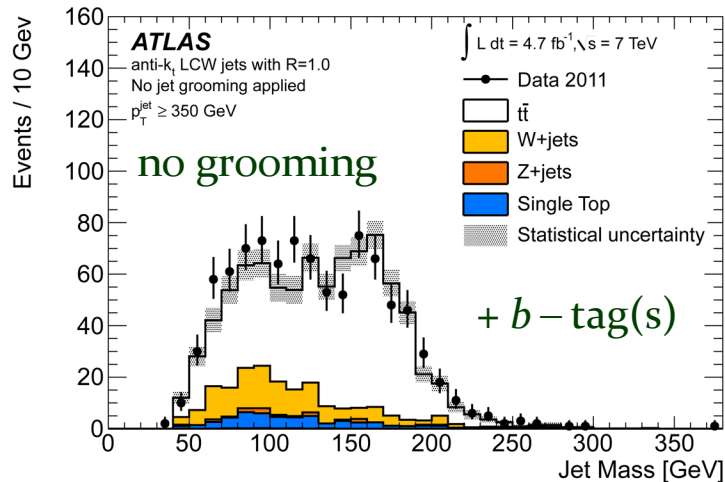
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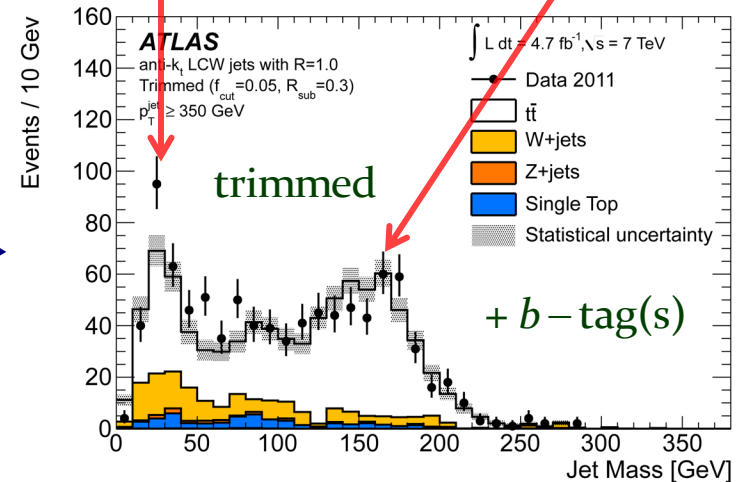
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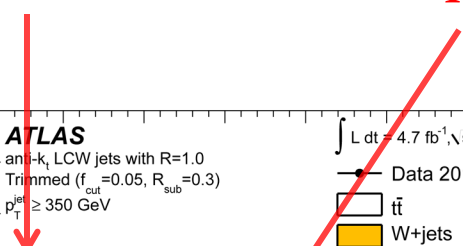
≥ 1 b -tagged jet



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$t \rightarrow Wb \rightarrow \ell \nu b$ $t \rightarrow Wb \rightarrow q\bar{q}b$



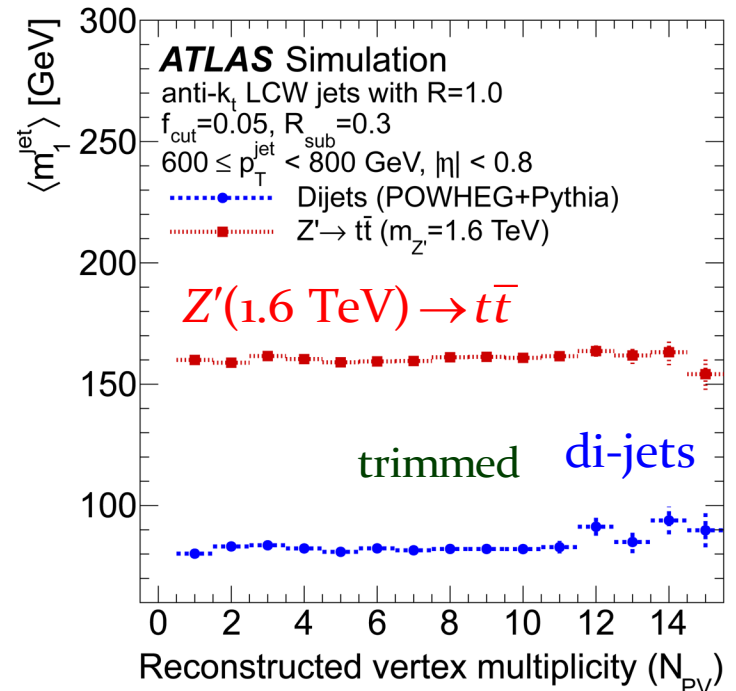
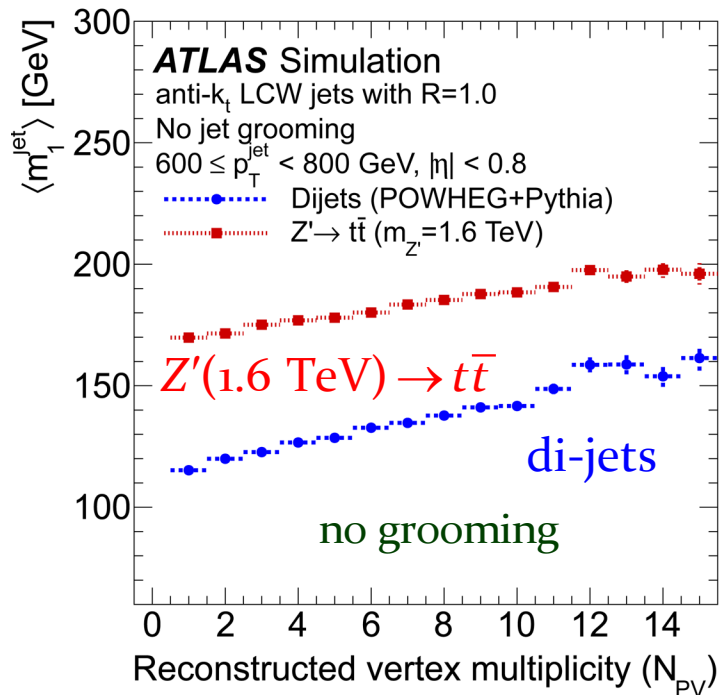
Hadronic top signal extraction (cont'd)

Check on separation power in other substructure variables

Mostly changing background shapes – enhancing top signal significance

Effects of pile-up on top mass

Mitigated well by trimming



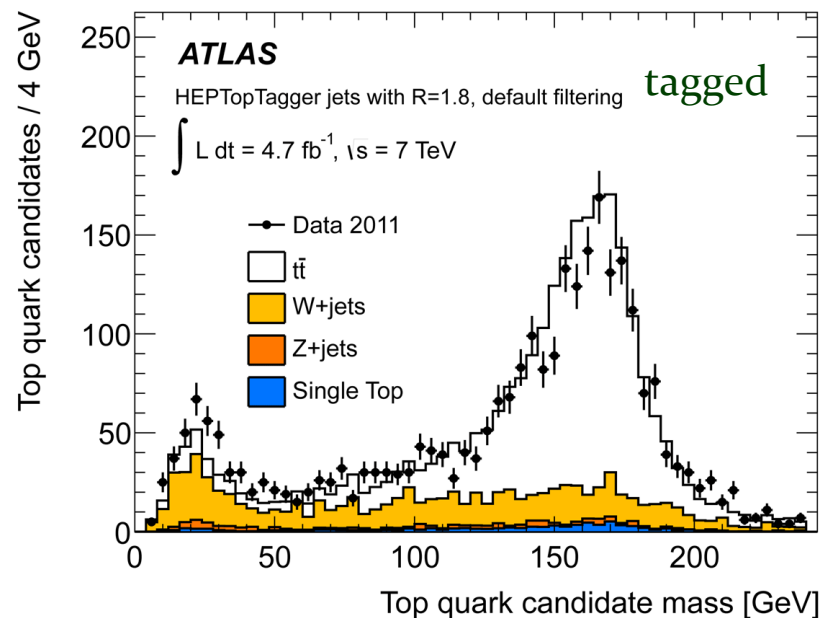
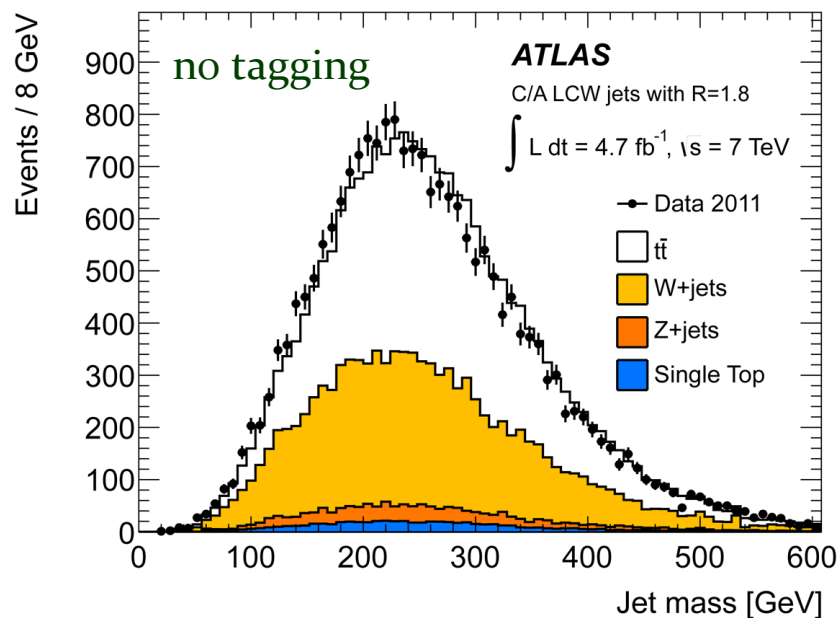
Full hadronic top reconstruction with HepTopTagger

Exploits more exclusive features of final state

Multiplicities of sub-jets

Angular distances

Reconstruction of W boson



C/A jets, $R = 1.8$

Single jet mass resolution evaluations

QCD C/A $R=1.2$ jets (inclusive di-jet sample)

Trimming shows best improvement of mass resolution

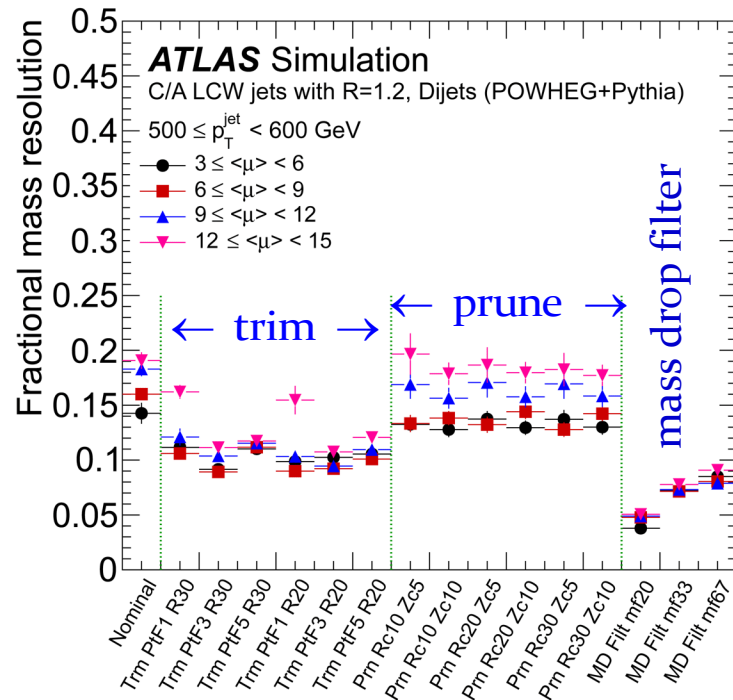
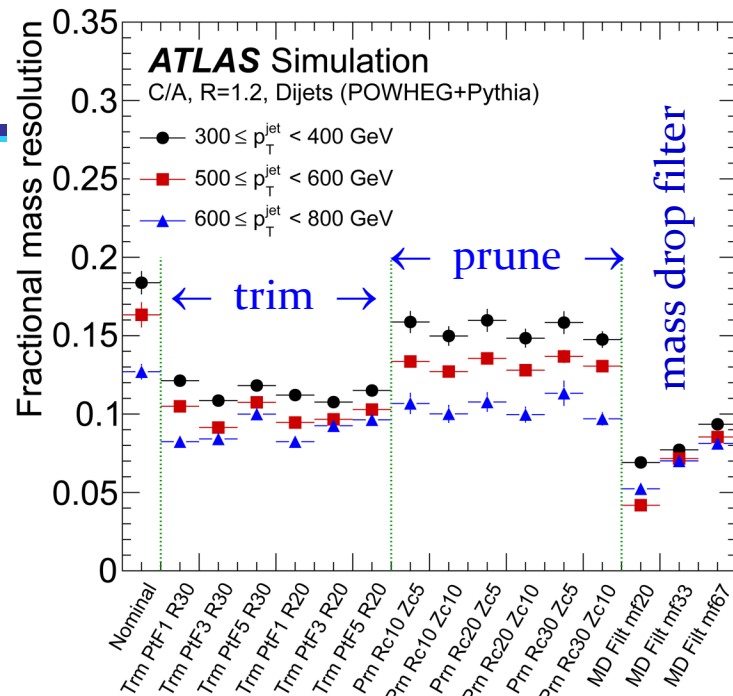
Mass drop filtering has strongest configuration dependence

QCD C/A $R=1.2$ jets in presence of pile-up

Trimming reduces mass fluctuations introduced by pile-up

Pruning is least effective with this respect

Mass drop filtering effective with stronger configuration dependence



Jet Mass Summary

Single jet mass resolution evaluations

Two-prong decay C/A $R=1.2$ jets

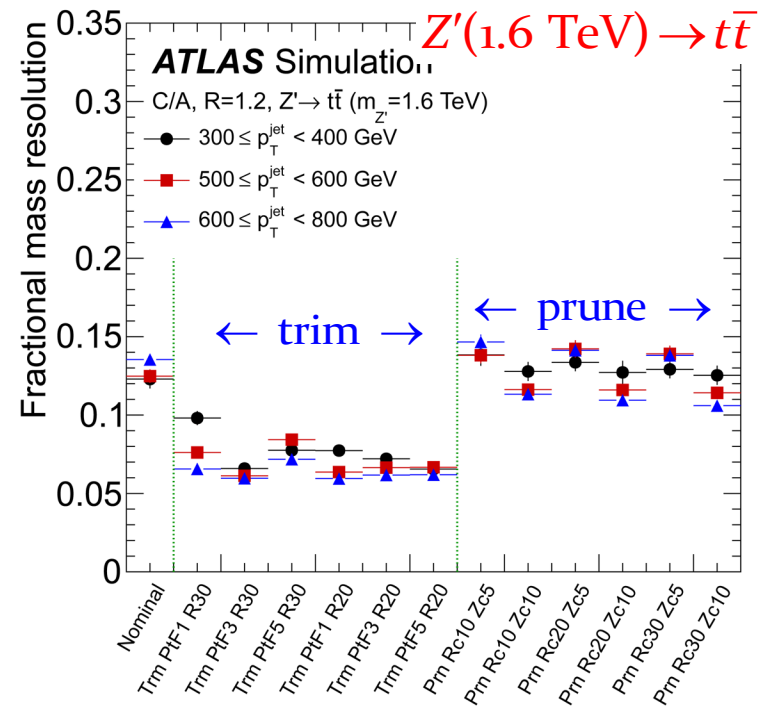
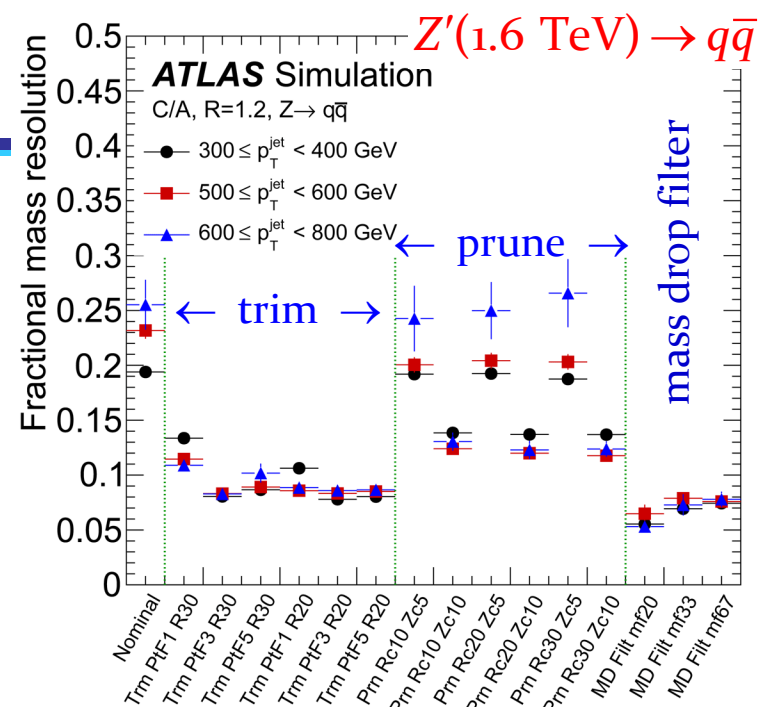
Trimming and mass drop filtering show best improvement of mass resolution

Pruning less effective

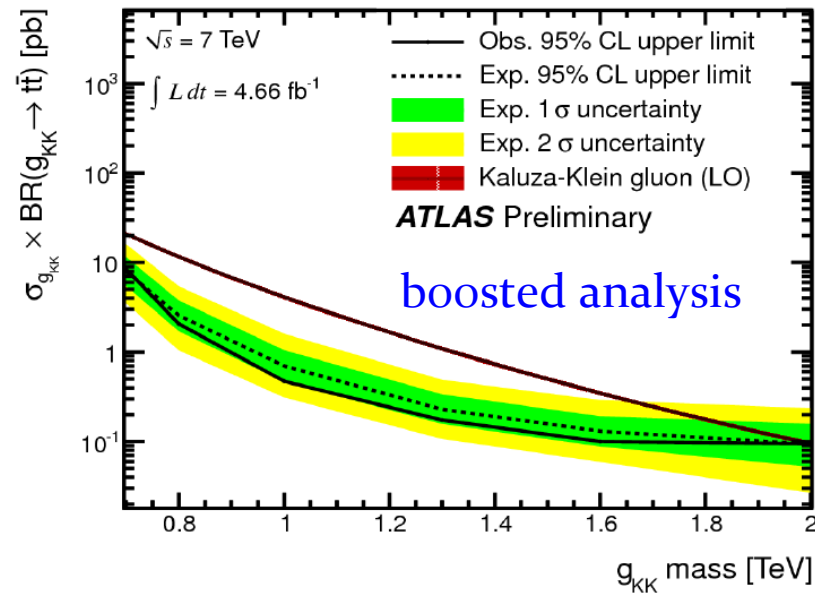
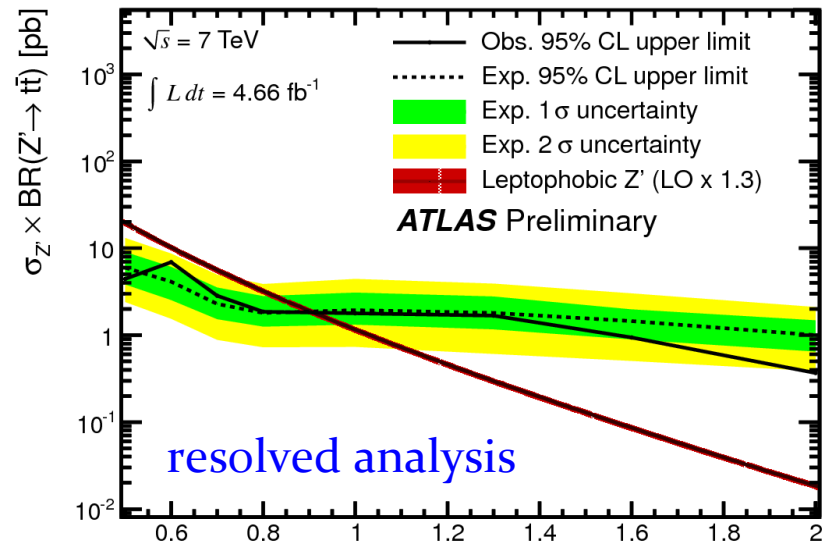
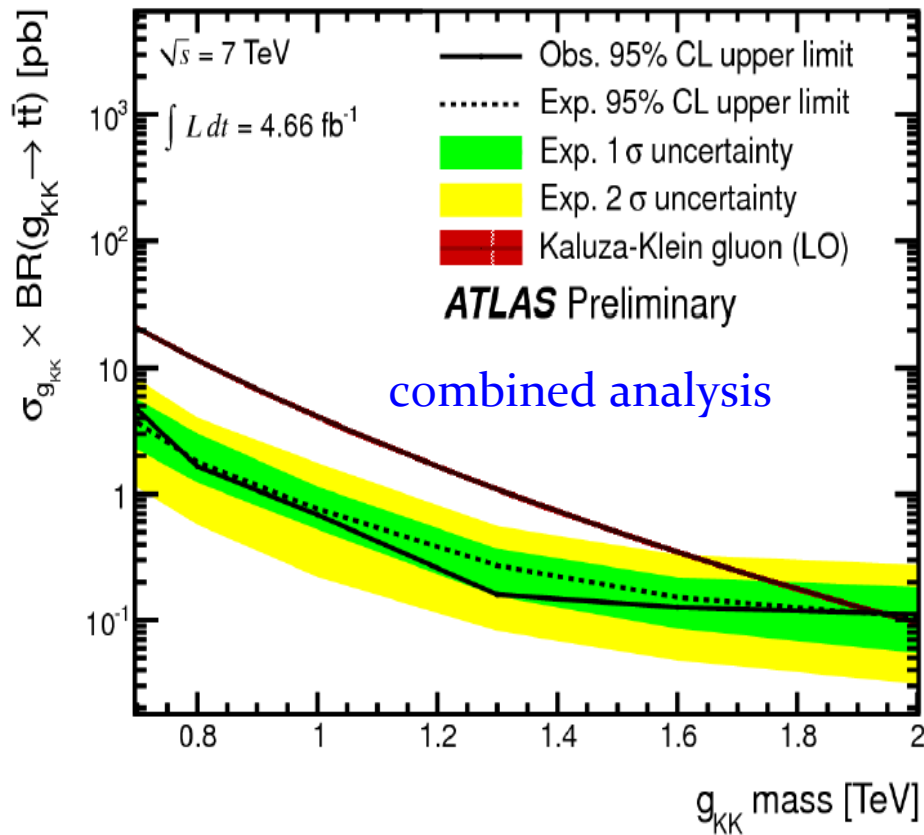
Three-prong decay C/A $R=1.2$ jets

Trimming shows best performance with insignificant dependencies on configurations

Pruning shows only little improvement



Search top-anti-top resonance



Jet substructure reconstruction in ATLAS with 2011 data studied in great detail

Large configuration space for jet grooming techniques

Trimming, mass drop filtering, and pruning tested with sufficient coverage of corresponding (meaningful) parameter spaces

Calibrations for jet masses and sub-jet kinematics available for most performing configurations

Systematic uncertainties controlled at typical levels of 5% or better

Resolvable angular distance and intrinsic k_T scales for decay structure reconstruction in jet sufficient in kinematic regime accessible with 2011 data

Evaluated with boosted W bosons and top quarks in data and MC

Effects of pile-up at 2011 levels on key observables understood and controlled

Most observables can be modeled with sufficient precision – NLO generators are becoming more important for sub-jet distances and single jet mass

First applications in searches based on final states with top quarks

Extension of exclusion limits with respect to purely resolved analysis

(see e.g. ATLAS Coll., JHEP 1212 (2012) 086 or [arXiv:1210.4813v2](https://arxiv.org/abs/1210.4813v2) [hep-ex])

Promising tool for 2015 and beyond LHC running

Increase in center-of-mass energy extends accessible kinematic regimes

Significant increase of reach for production of heavy particles with highly boosted (Standard Model) decay products

Higher intensities expected as well

Upcoming results from 2012 data with increased pile-up levels, and MC studies of even higher levels, on jet substructure observables

We are looking forward to the new challenges...