



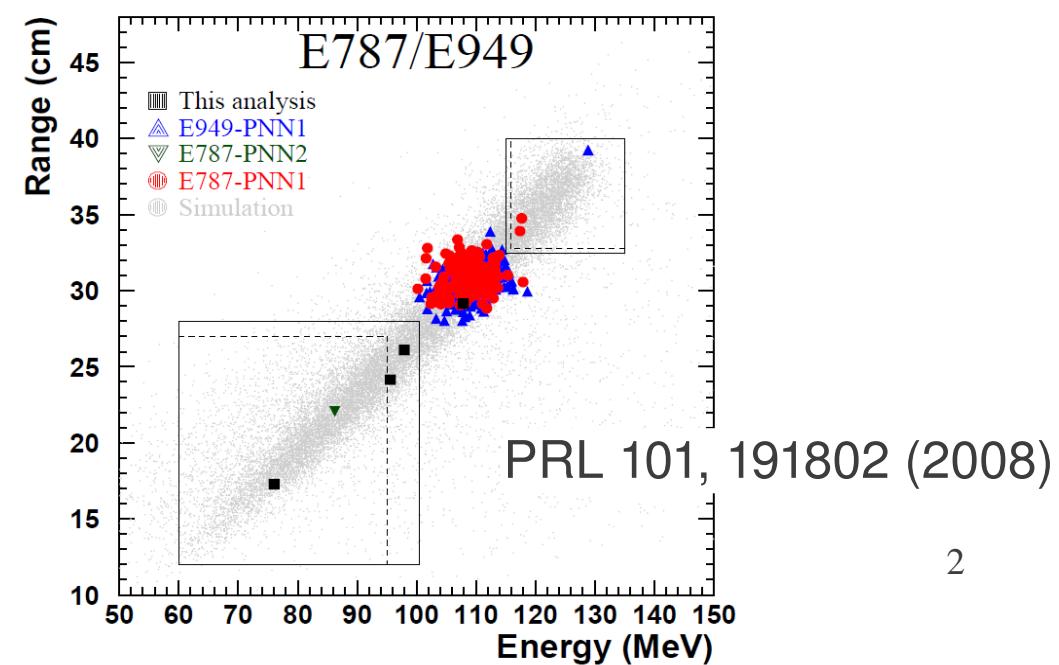
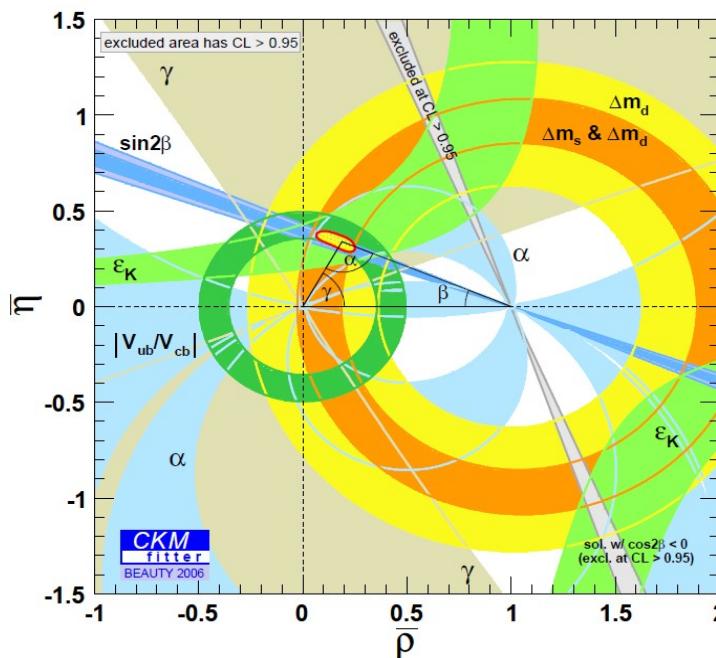
Towards a boosted $VH \rightarrow bb$ measurement with ATLAS

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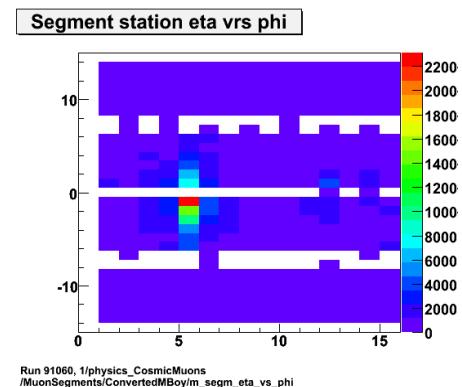
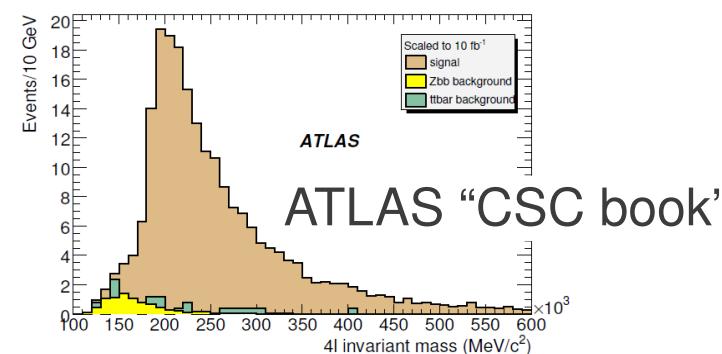
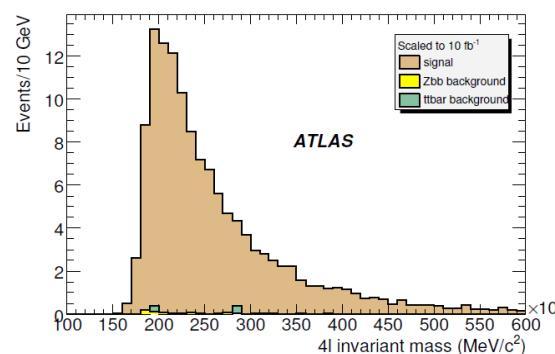
- 1996-2001: undergraduate, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece. Graduating grade: 7.9/10, thesis: “Test setup for MDT chambers for ATLAS in the X5/GIF area at CERN”
- 2001-2006: graduate studies, SUNY Stony Brook, NY, USA.
 - MA in 2003, grade 3.82/4, with KOPIO experiment, BNL.
 - PhD in 2006, thesis: “Search for the rare decay $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \bar{v}v$ with $p_{\pi^+} < 199 \text{ MeV}/c$ ”, with E949 experiment, BNL.



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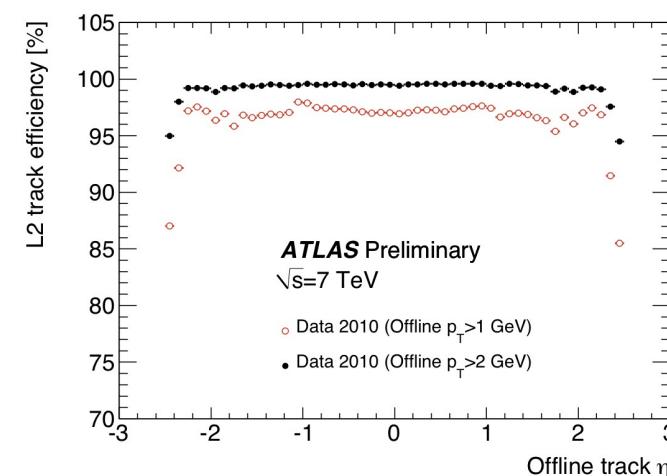
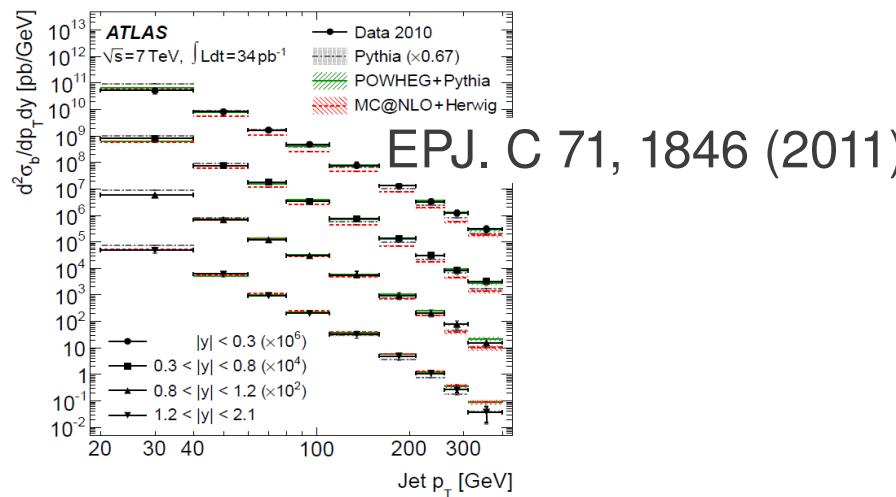
2007-2009: Marie Curie Experienced Researcher, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece, with ATLAS.

- $ZZ^{(*)} \rightarrow 4l$ sensitivity studies in MC, Muon Spectrometer commissioning and DQM
- Single lepton efficiencies from data, experimental signatures to differentiate between BSM scenarios, data-driven method to estimate $Z+jets$ background to ZZ using same-sign leptons.



2009-2012: postdoctoral researcher partly funded by Marie Curie, UCL, UK, with ATLAS.

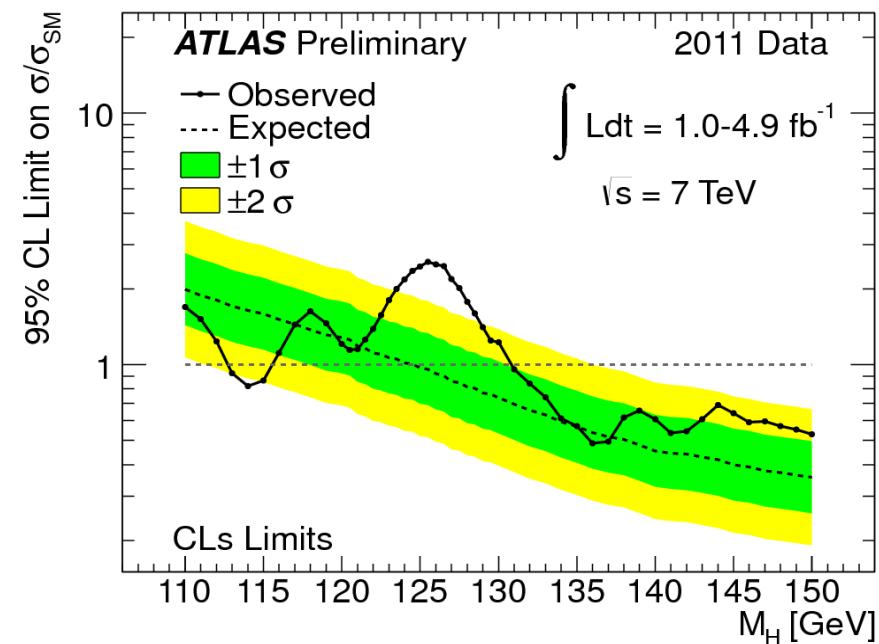
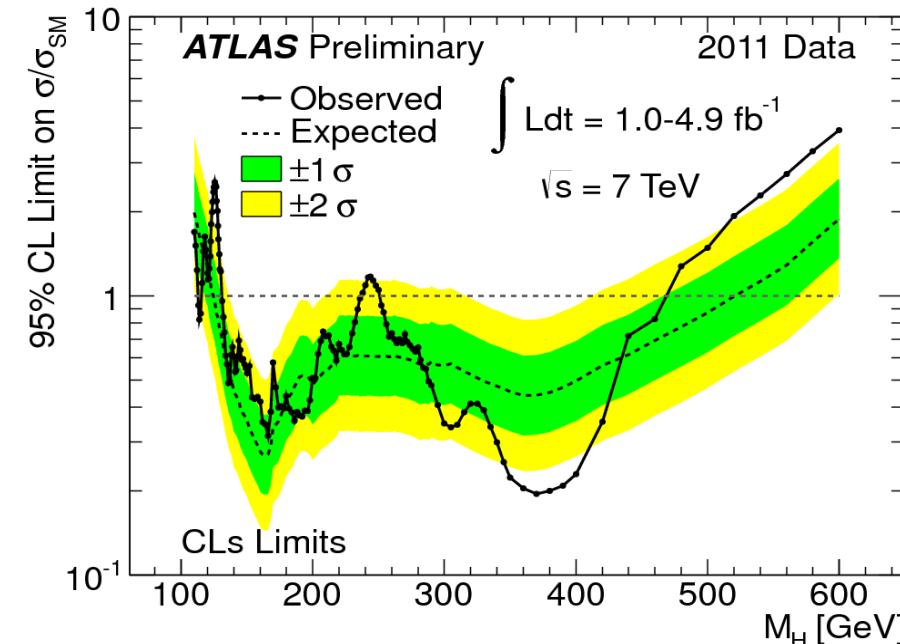
- B-jet and bb -dijet cross-section measurement, online tracking for HLT
- Currently: b-tagging in boosted jets, in the boosted $Z \rightarrow bb$ and $VH \rightarrow bb$ framework



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 - proof of principle of a basic b-jet measurement (EPJ C 71, 1846 (2011))
 - Jet substructure measurements
 - need to understand substructure in order to use it (ATLAS-CONF-2011-073)
 - Un-boosted (inclusive) $VH \rightarrow bb$
 - many common elements (ATLAS-CONF-2011-103)
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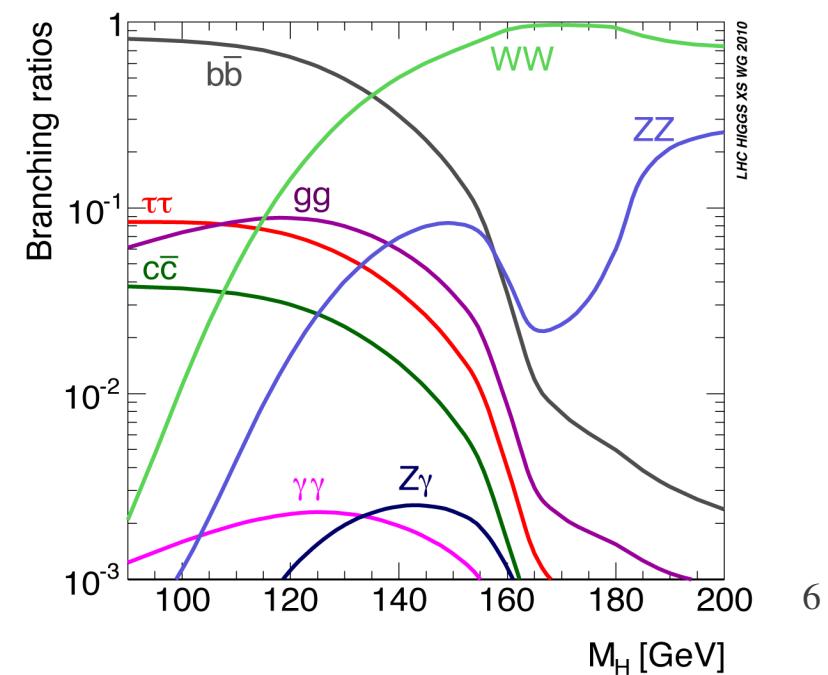
Current allowed regions (ATLAS only):

$$115.5 \text{ GeV} < m_H < 131 \text{ GeV}$$

$$237 \text{ GeV} < m_H < 251 \text{ GeV}$$

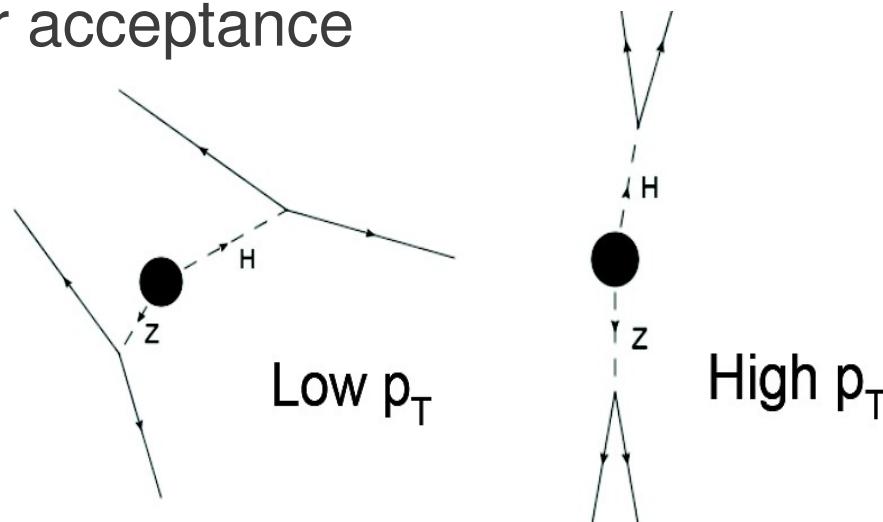
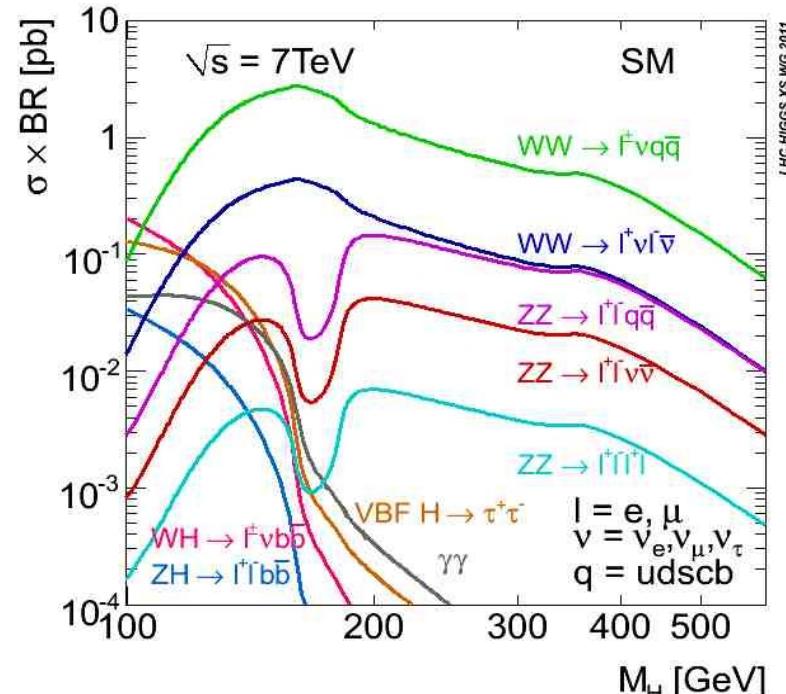
$$m_H > 468 \text{ GeV}$$

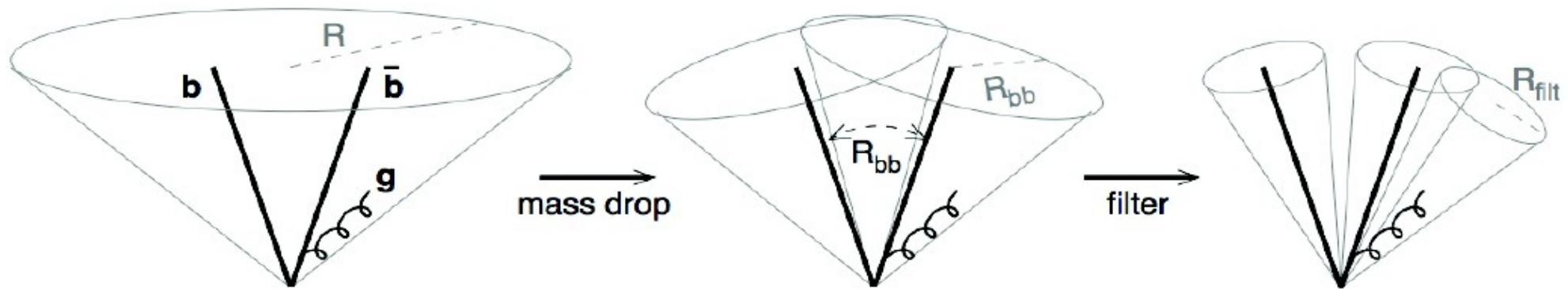
In the low-mass region, $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ is the dominant decay channel



Why boosted VH \rightarrow bb ?

- $gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow bb$ overwhelmed by backgrounds, therefore VH ($V=W$ or Z) associated production more sensitive
- Still, VH \rightarrow bb quite background-prone.
- New idea: use only highly boosted H/V, which costs $\sim 95\%$ signal acceptance, but reduces backgrounds drastically (PRL 100, 242001 (2008) J. Butterworth et al.)
- Higgs decay products in one, fat b-jet. All final particles within detector acceptance





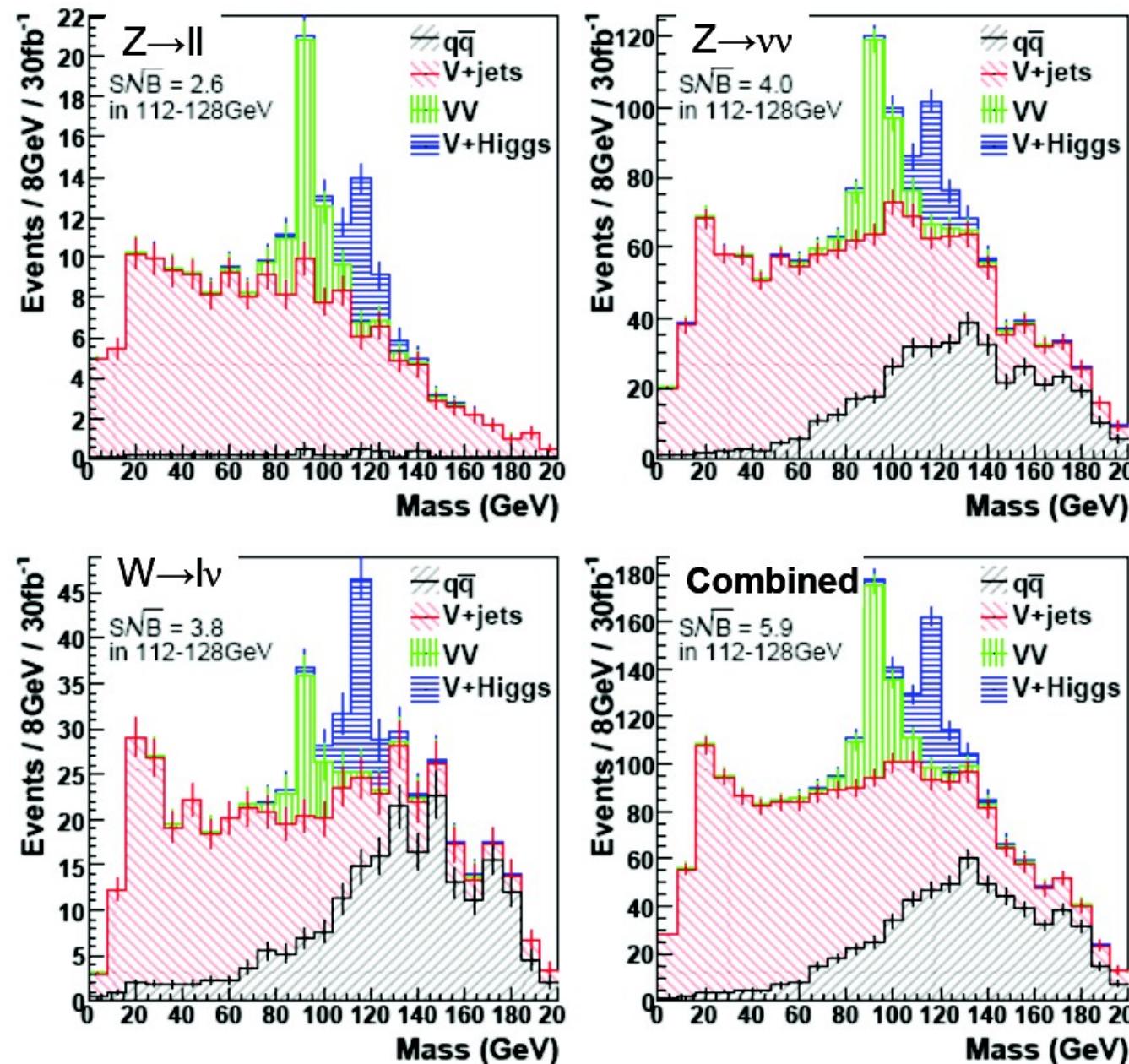
Use the angle-ordered Cambridge-Aachen (C-A) jet algorithm, which keeps track of clustering steps.

- Clustering can be undone one step at a time with an angular distance $\Delta R = \sqrt{(\Delta y^2 + \Delta \phi^2)}$ of R_{bb} , until a large drop in mass is observed
- Check this splitting is not too asymmetric
- Recluster remaining constituents with smaller $R_{filt} = \min(0.3, R_{bb}/2)$ and keep up to 3 constituents to reconstruct the Higgs mass

In the following, consider C-A jets with $R=1.2$

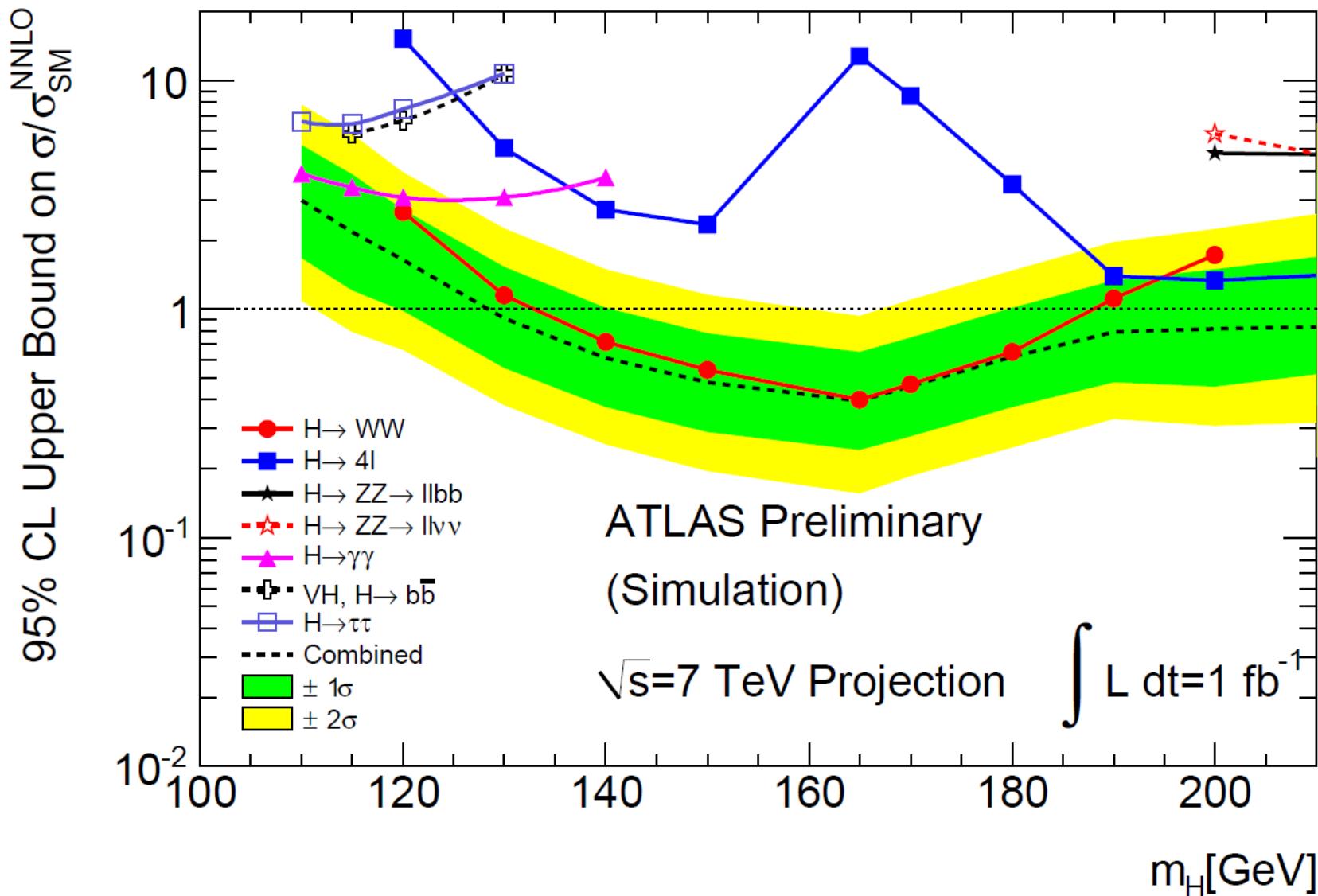
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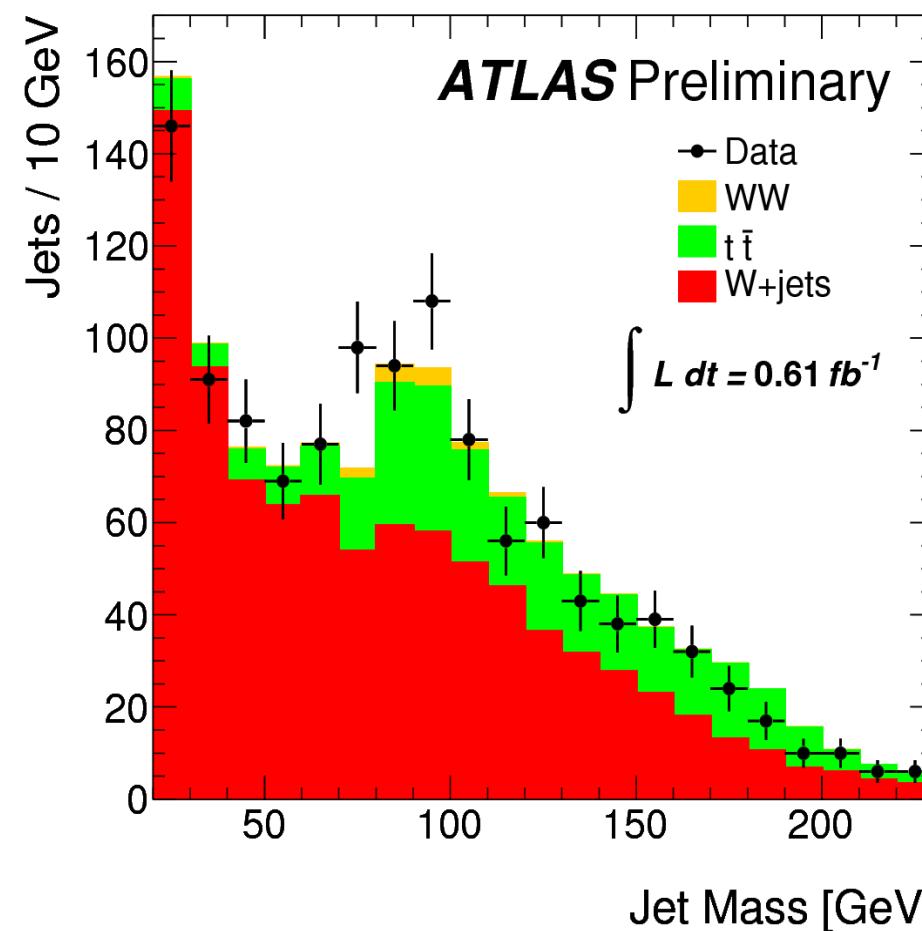
From ATLAS-PUB-2010-015 (full ATLAS detector simulation), 1 fb^{-1}



Boosted lvqq in data

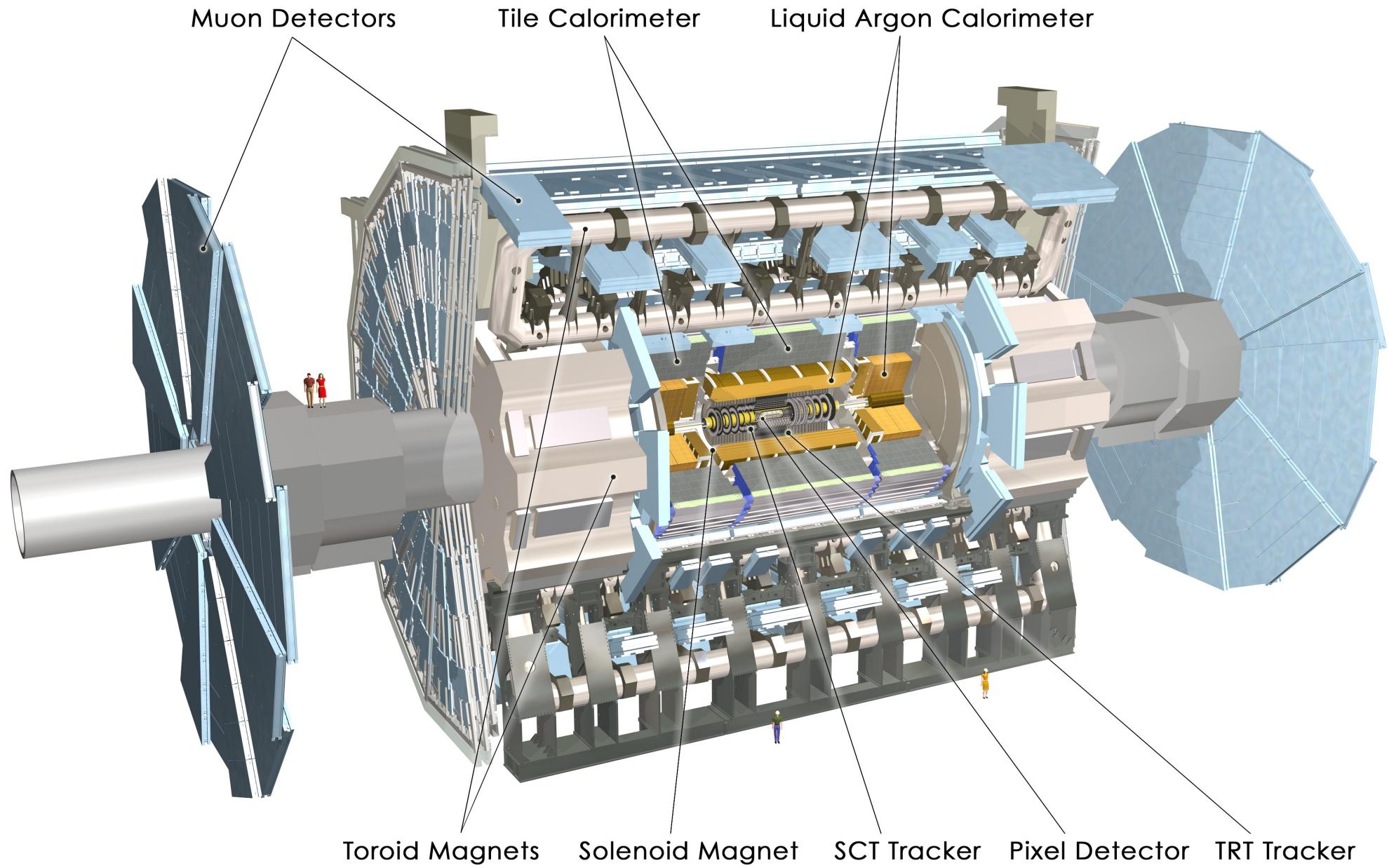
Very encouraging first result from summer 2011:

Split and filtered C-A 1.2 jet mass, in association with a $W \rightarrow l\nu$ with $p_T > 200\text{GeV}$. No b-tagging applied.



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The ATLAS detector

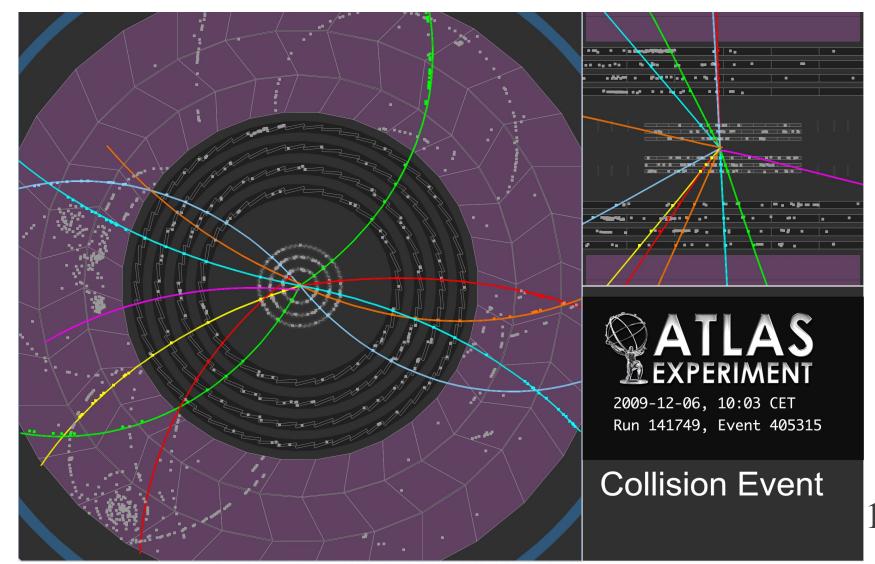
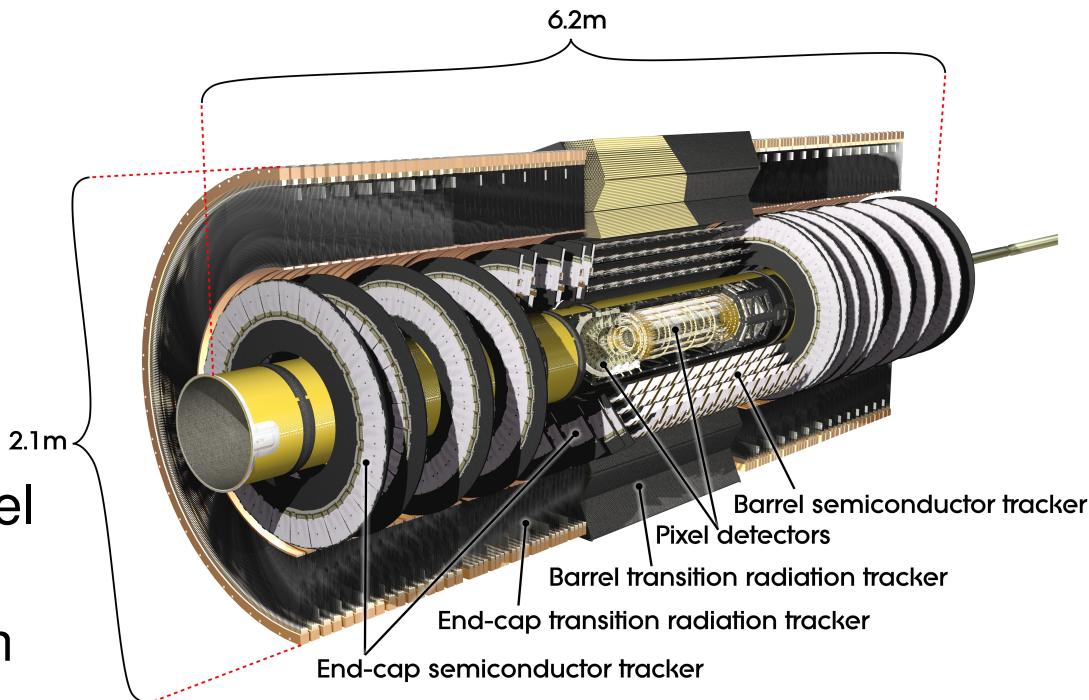


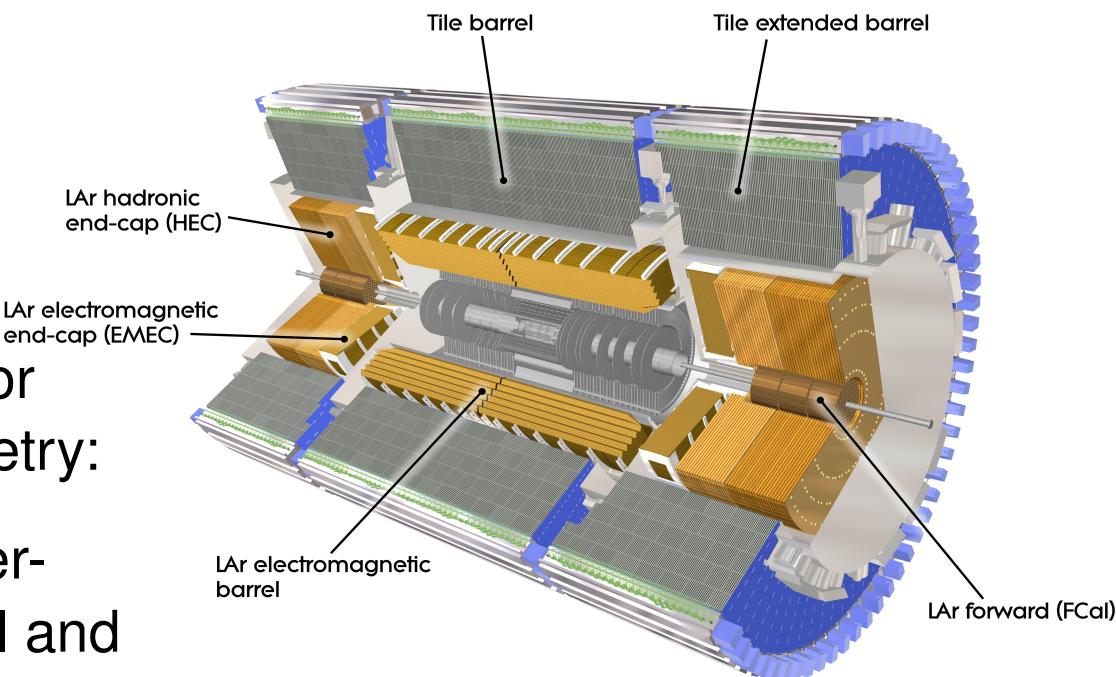
Detectors of 3 different technologies for optimal position detection and track reconstruction:

- silicon **pixels** (3 layers)
- silicon strips – **SCTs** (4 layers in Barrel and 9 in EC). Each layer contains 2 sub-layers in an angle, for 3D position information
- Transition Radiation Tracker - **TRT**

The whole structure is immersed in a 2T solenoid magnetic field.

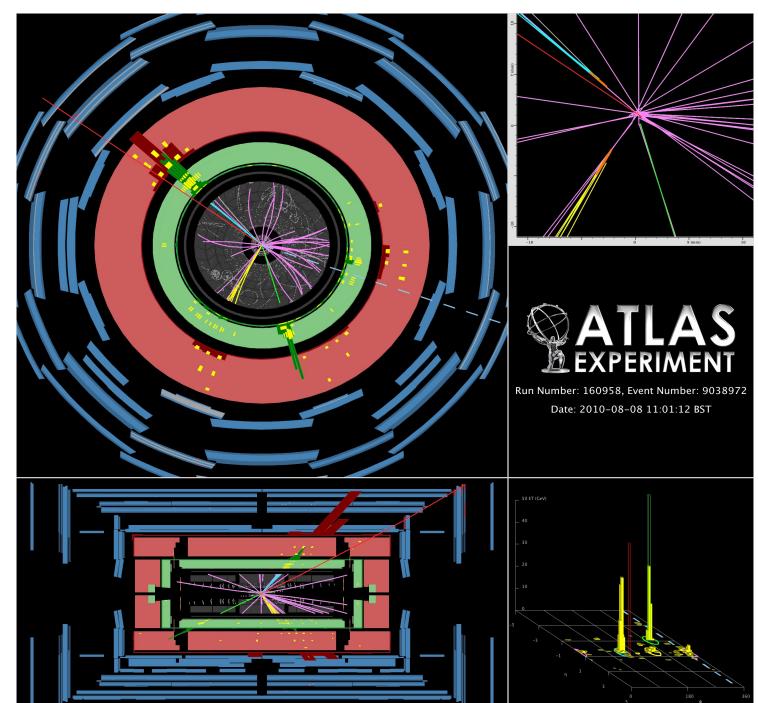
→ **Track-based b-tagging happens here**





Detectors of 2 different technologies for electromagnetic and hadronic calorimetry:

- Pb (barrel) or copper (EC) absorber-
Liquid Argon (**LAr**) for EM in barrel and
both EM and HAD in EC and Forward
- Iron absorber-scintillator **Tile** for HAD in
barrel

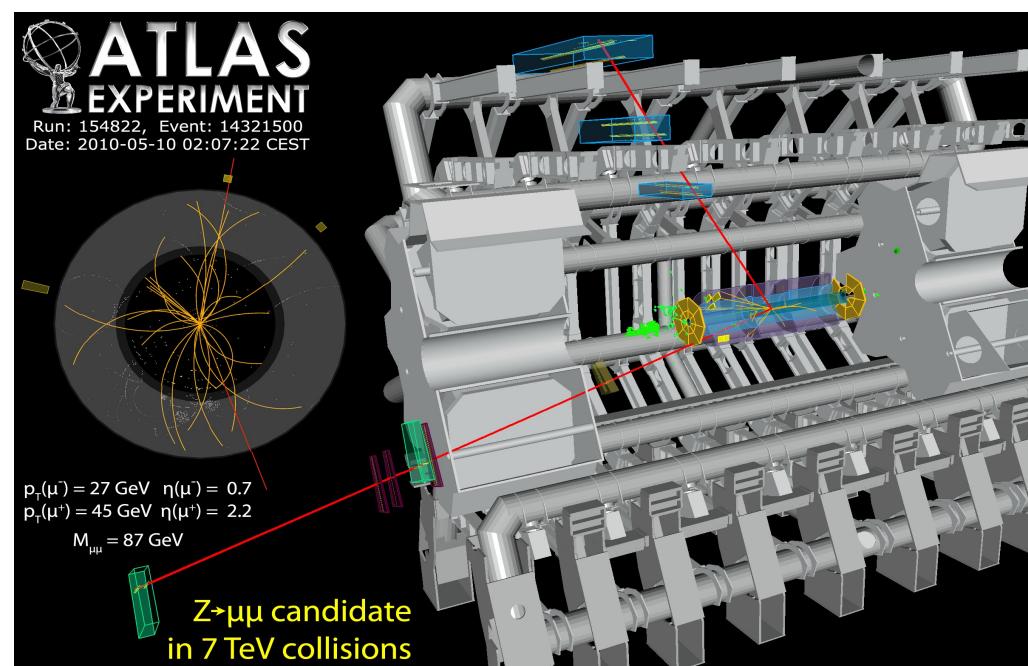
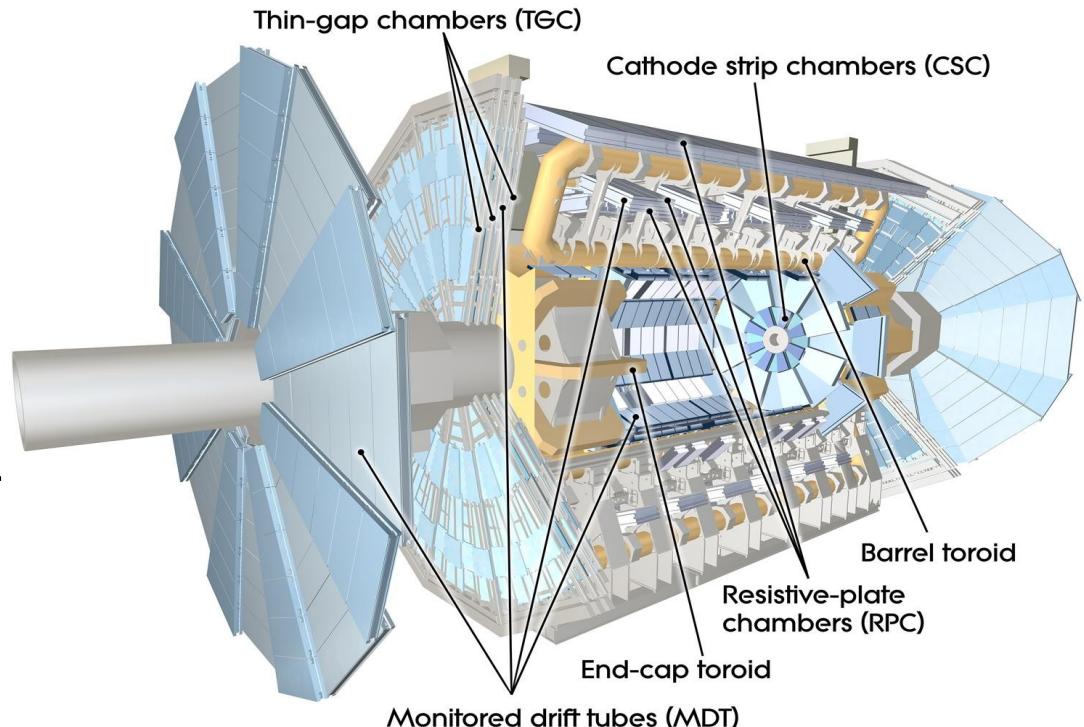


→ **Electrons, photons and jets are
reconstructed here**

Chambers of 4 different technologies for optimal muon reconstruction and trigger:

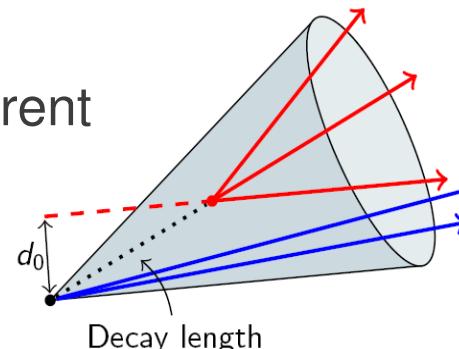
- Monitored Drift Tubes (**MDTs**) for precision position measurement
- Resistive Plate Chambers (**RPCs**) for triggering in the Barrel
- Thin Gap Chambers (**TGCs**) for triggering in the ECs
- Cathode Strip Chambers (**CSCs**) for tracking in the busier, high- η region

The whole structure is immersed in a 0.5T toroid magnetic field.

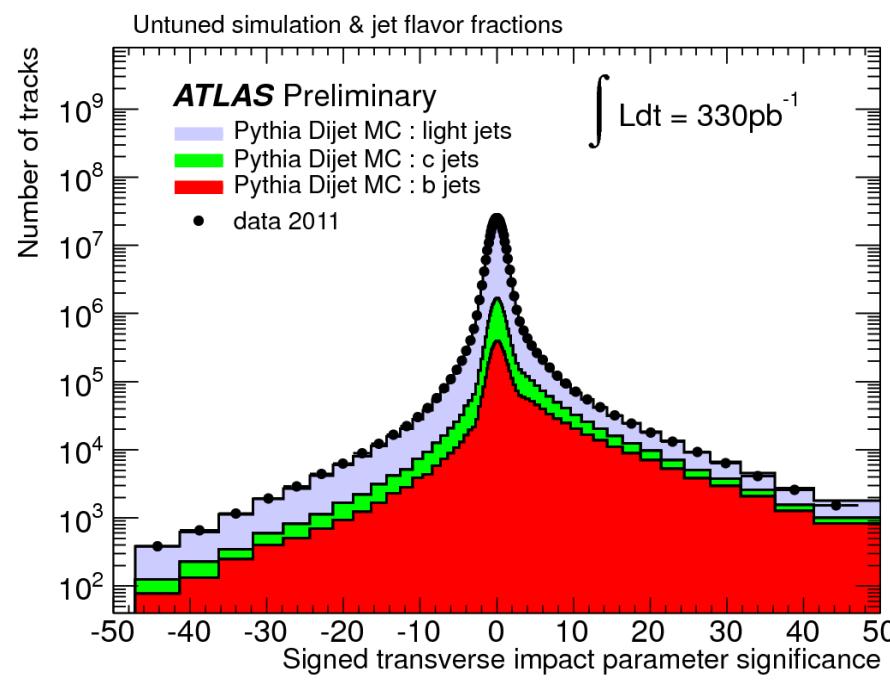


→ **Muons are reconstructed in the MS and ID**

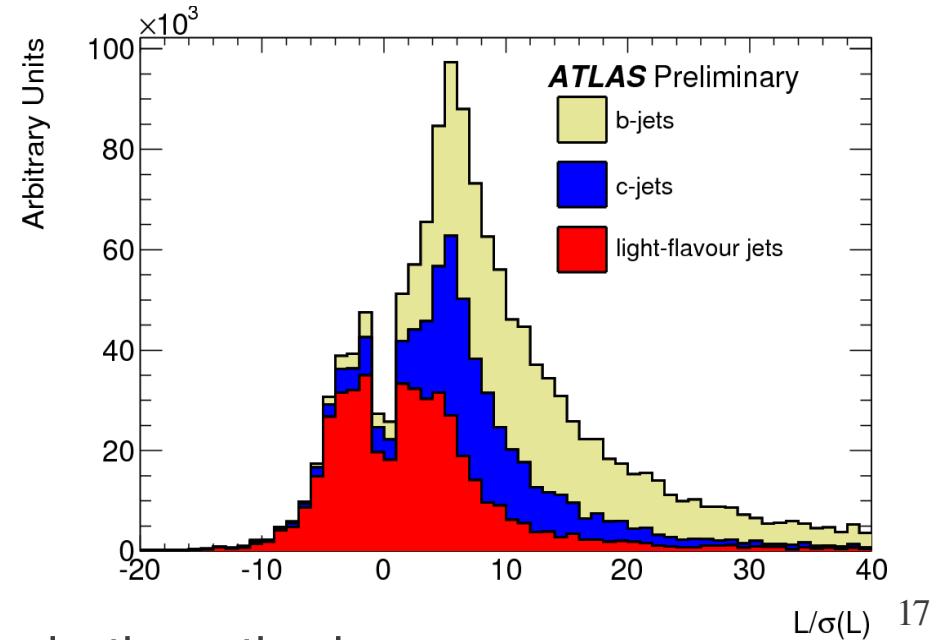
Tracks from the **b-decay** have different topology than **prompt** ones



Impact Parameter-based algorithms:
exploit the fact that b-decay tracks are not compatible with Primary Vertex → higher impact parameter



Secondary Vertex-based algorithms:
try to reconstruct b-decay vertex. SV0 starts from two-track vertices and the signed decay length significance is its b-tag weight of the jet

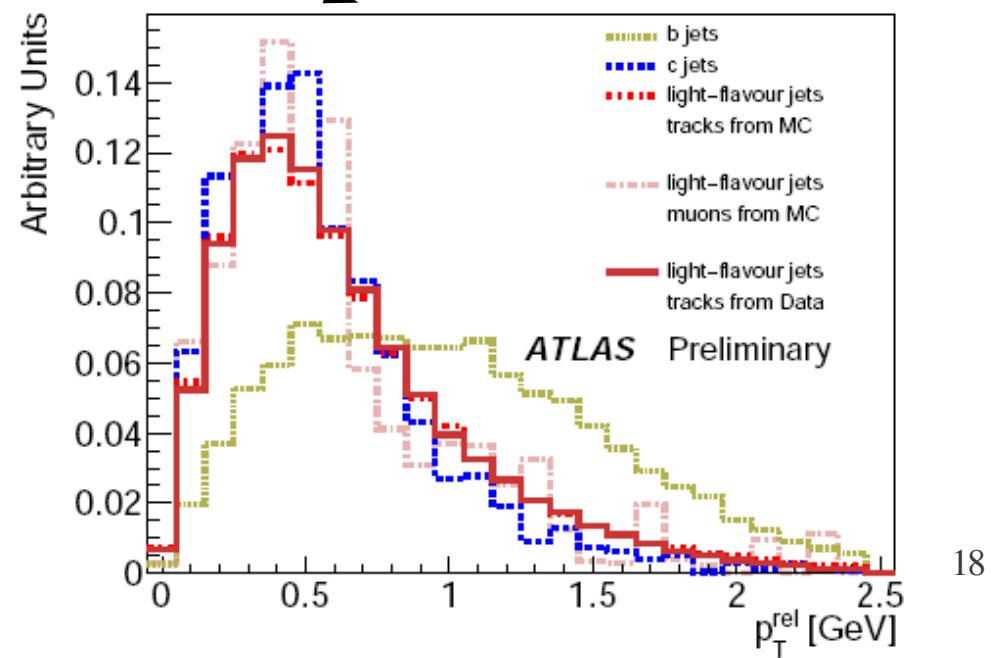
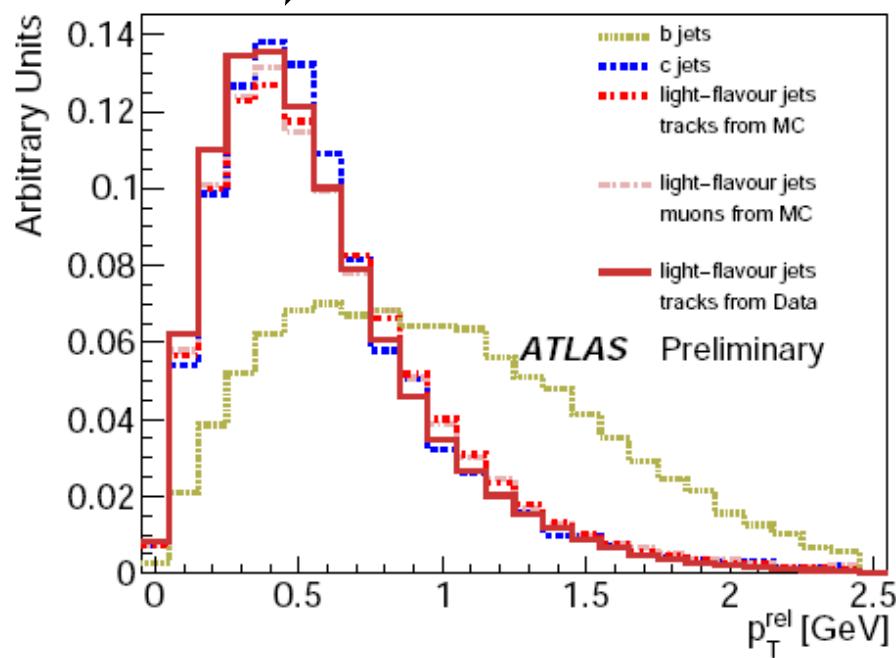
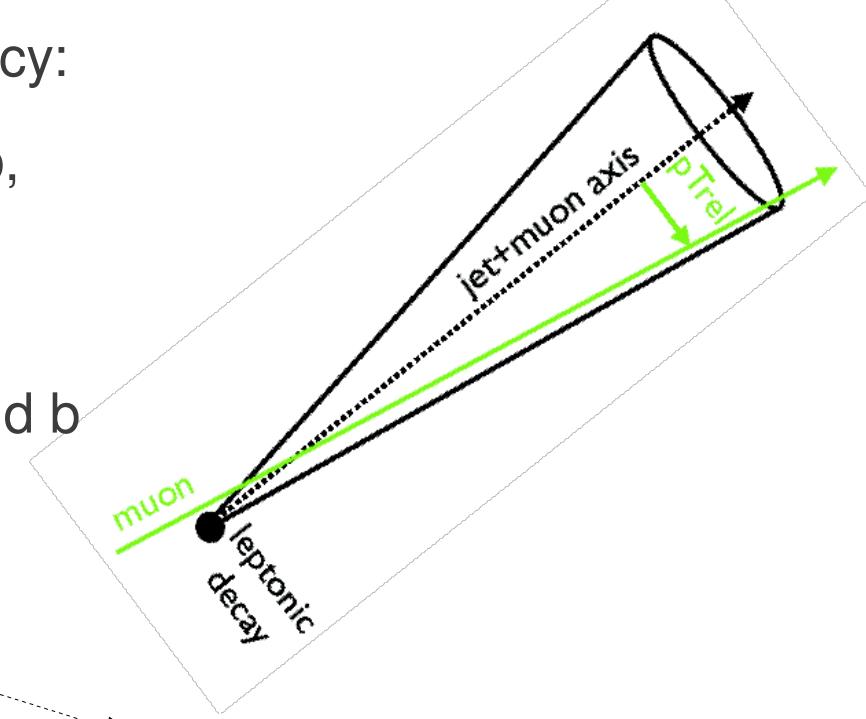


Combined algorithms: use information from both methods

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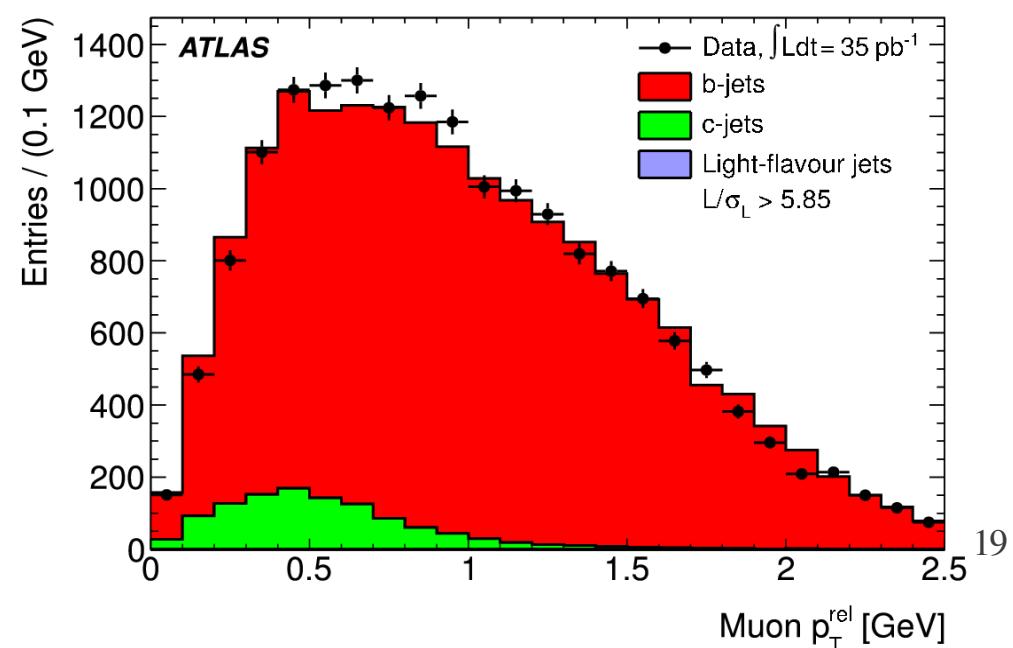
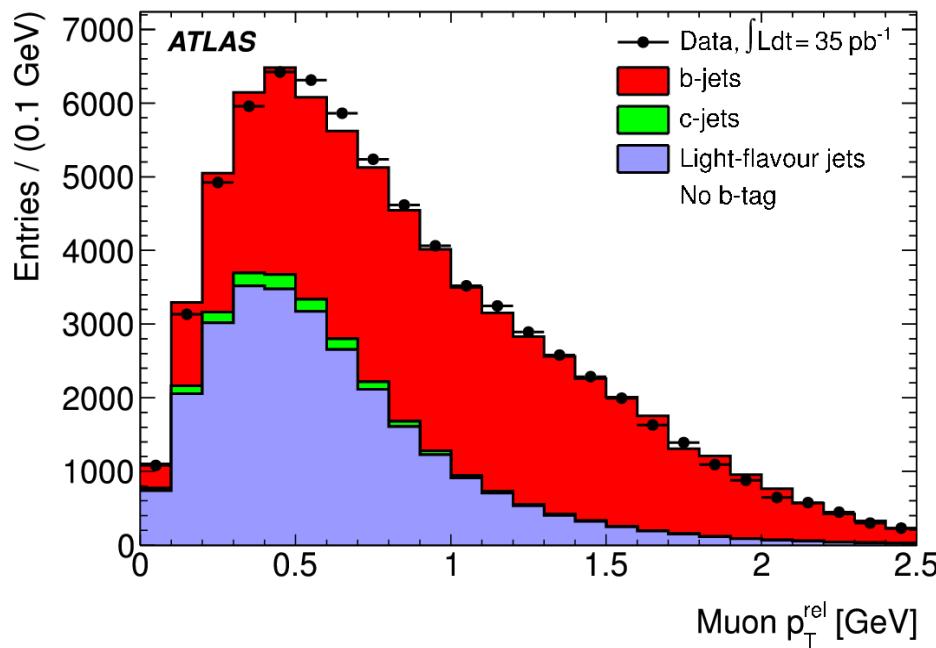
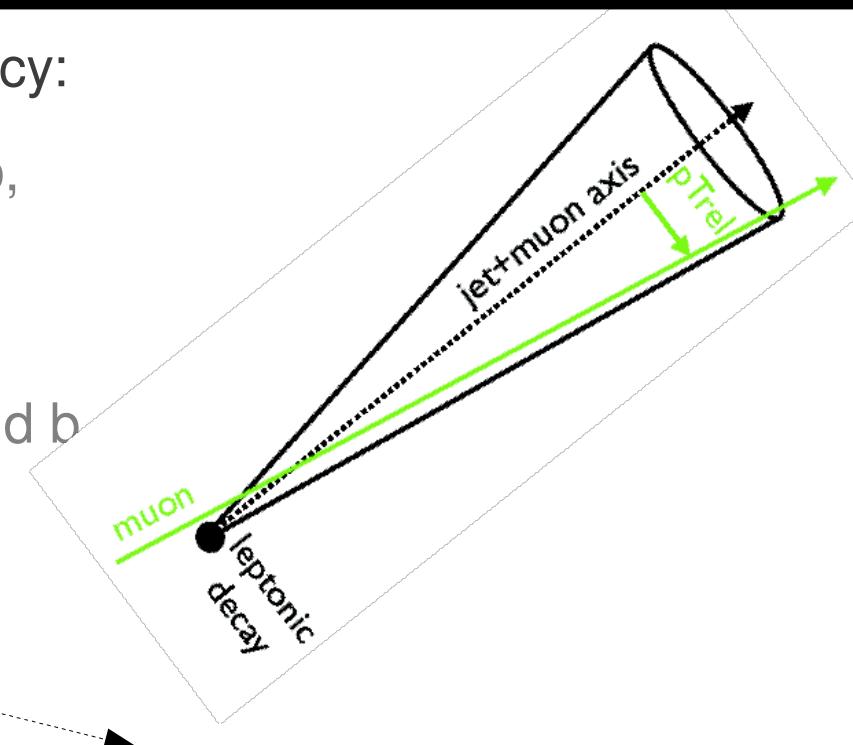
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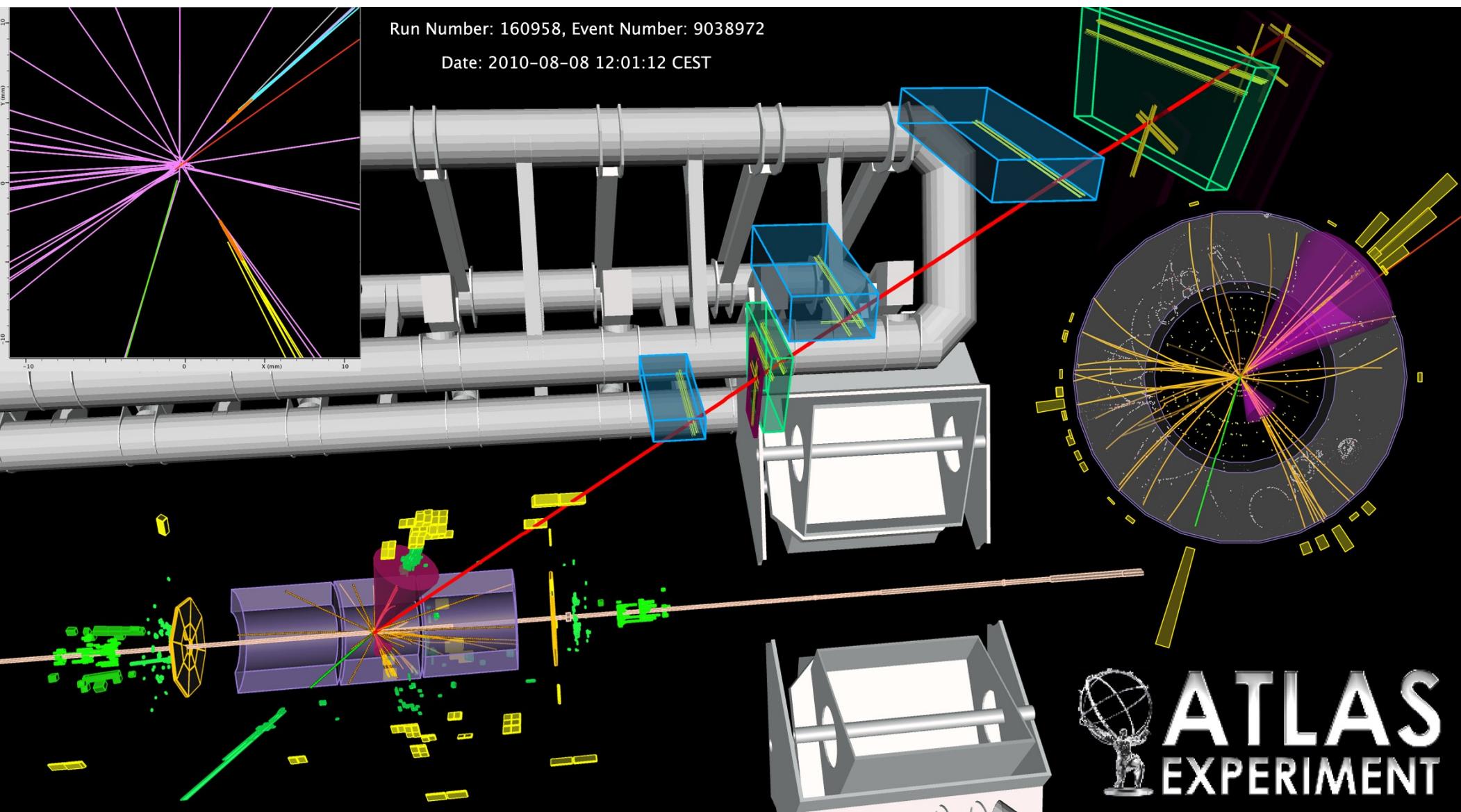
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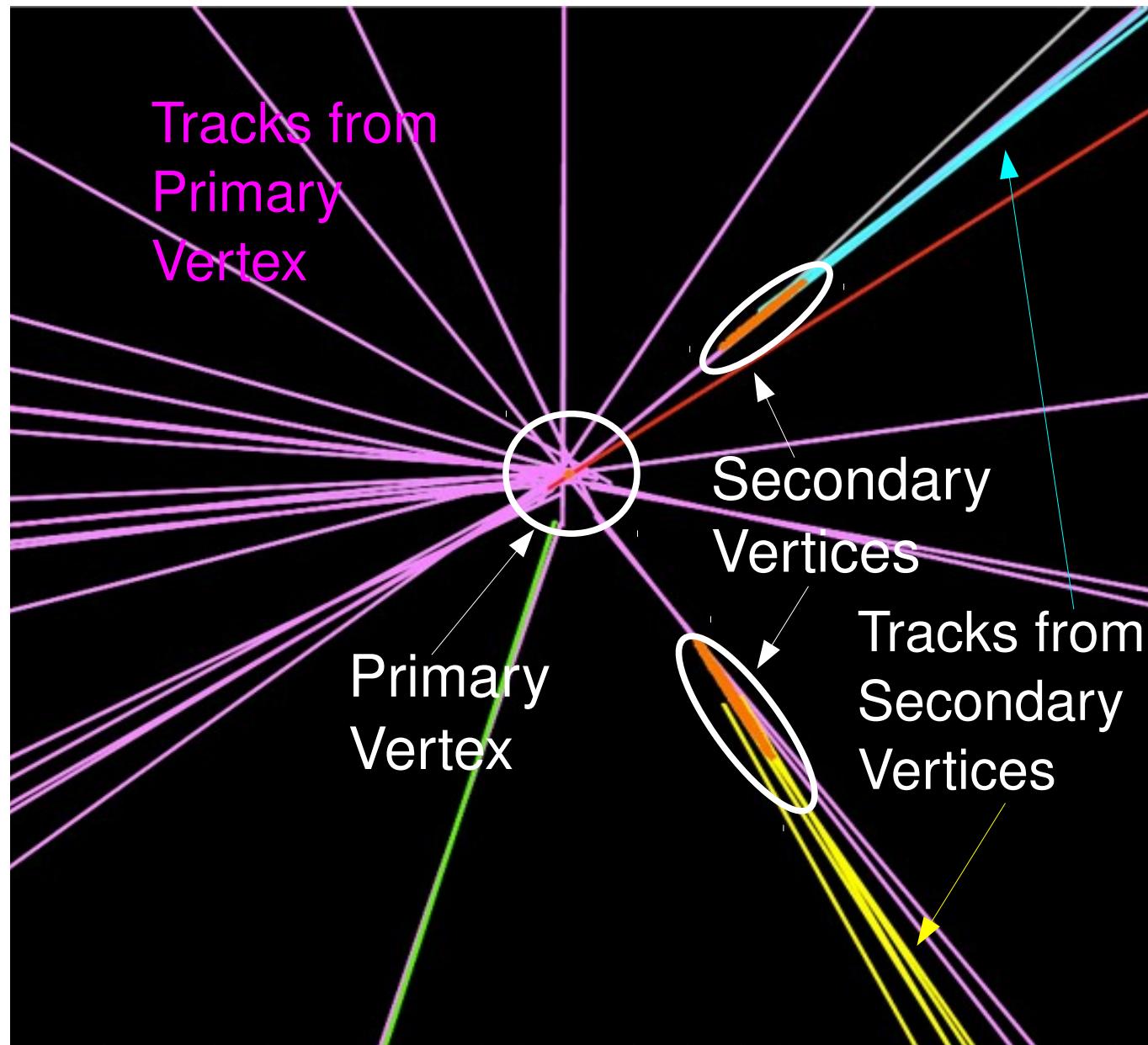
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Number of SV0-tagged jets

Fraction of them that are b-jets,
found from template fit

$$\frac{d^2\sigma_b}{dp_T dy} = \frac{1}{\Delta p_T \Delta y} \frac{N_b \cdot \text{frac}_b}{\underbrace{\varepsilon_{\text{trig}} \cdot \varepsilon_{\text{sel}} \cdot \varepsilon_{\text{bttag}} \cdot L}_{\text{Efficiencies: trigger, jet reconstruction and selection (>99%), b-tagging.}}} \times C$$

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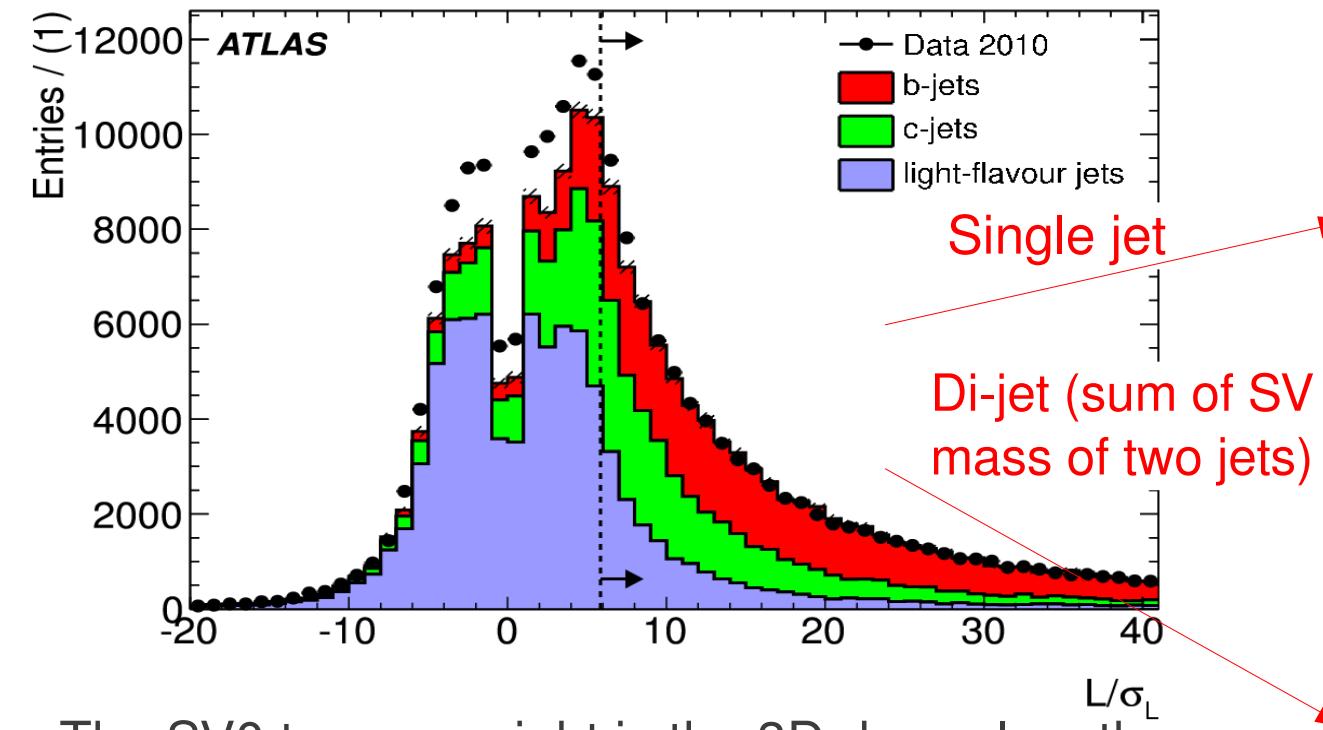
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$$\frac{d\sigma_b}{dM} = \frac{1}{\Delta M} \frac{N_{b\bar{b}} \cdot \text{frac}_b}{\varepsilon_{\text{trig}}^{jj} \cdot \varepsilon_{\text{sel}}^{jj} \cdot \varepsilon_{\text{bttag}}^{jj} \cdot L} \times C$$

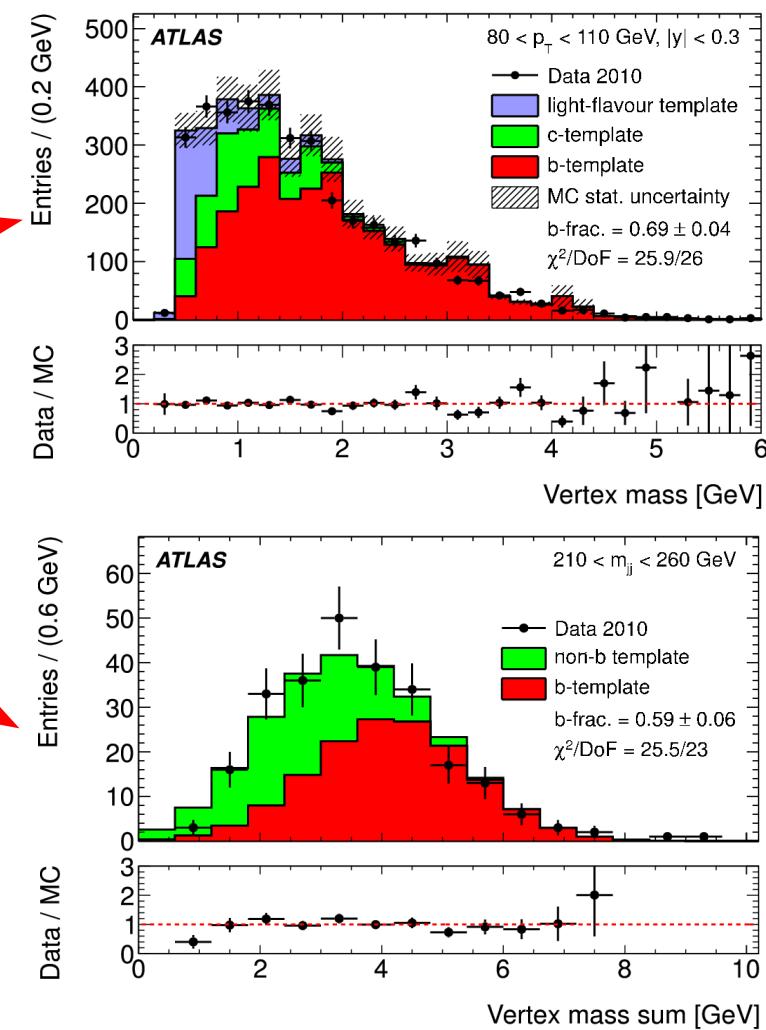
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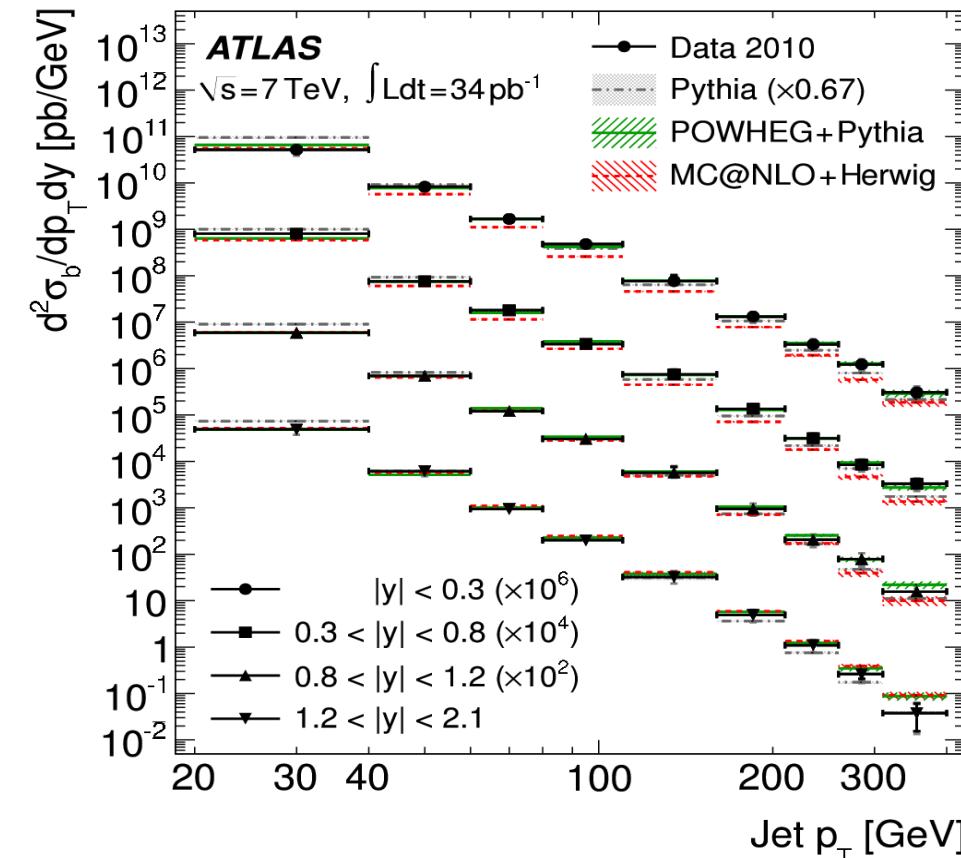
Luminosity for the triggers used



- The SV0 tagger weight is the 3D decay length significance signed w.r.t. the jet axis.
 - Cut at 5.85 and use the invariant mass of the tracks in the secondary vertex to separate b- from non-b-jets in a template fit in each p_T - η or di-jet mass bin.
 - Take light, charm and b (single-jet) or b and non-b (di-jet) templates from MC
 - Log-likelihood fit to data, taking into account the statistical uncertainty on both the data and the MC templates
- *b-jet fraction*

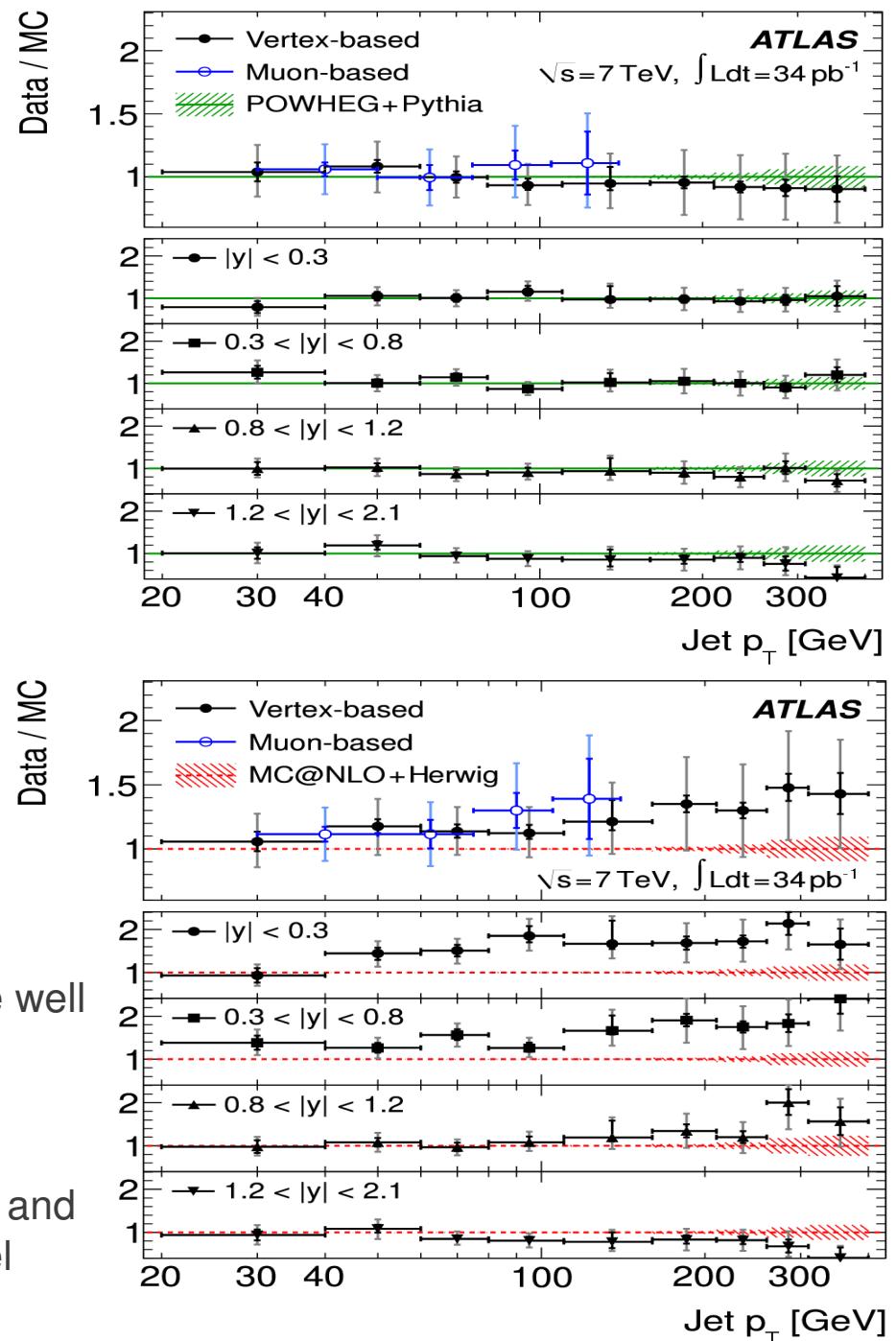


Inclusive b cross-section

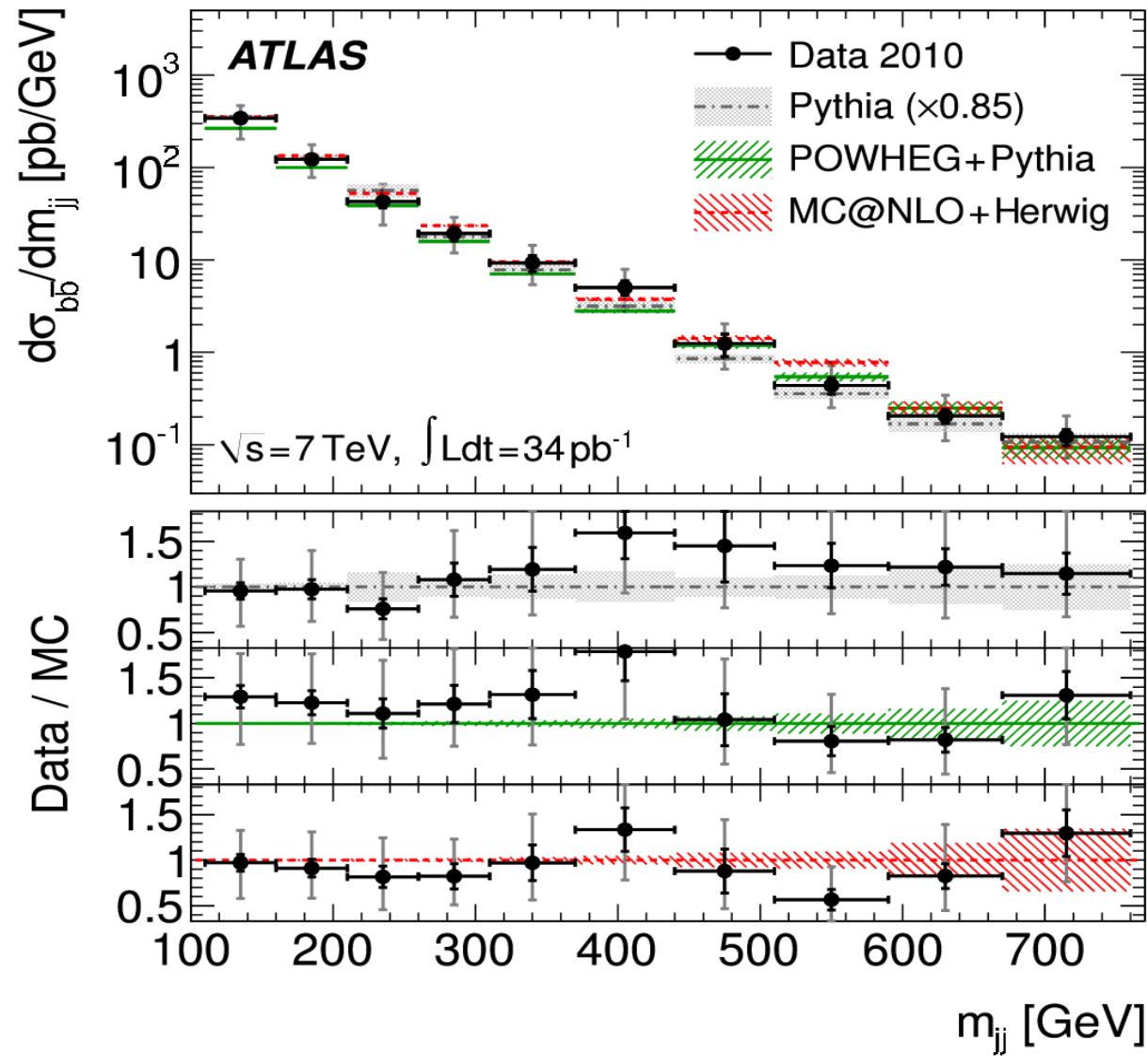


MC comparisons: broad agreement within the systematic uncertainties

- Pythia6 (LL): normalization not expected to agree, shape well described
- POWHEG (NLO) + Pythia: good agreement
- MC@NLO + Herwig: disagreement for central rapidities and higher p_T , probably due to different hadronization model

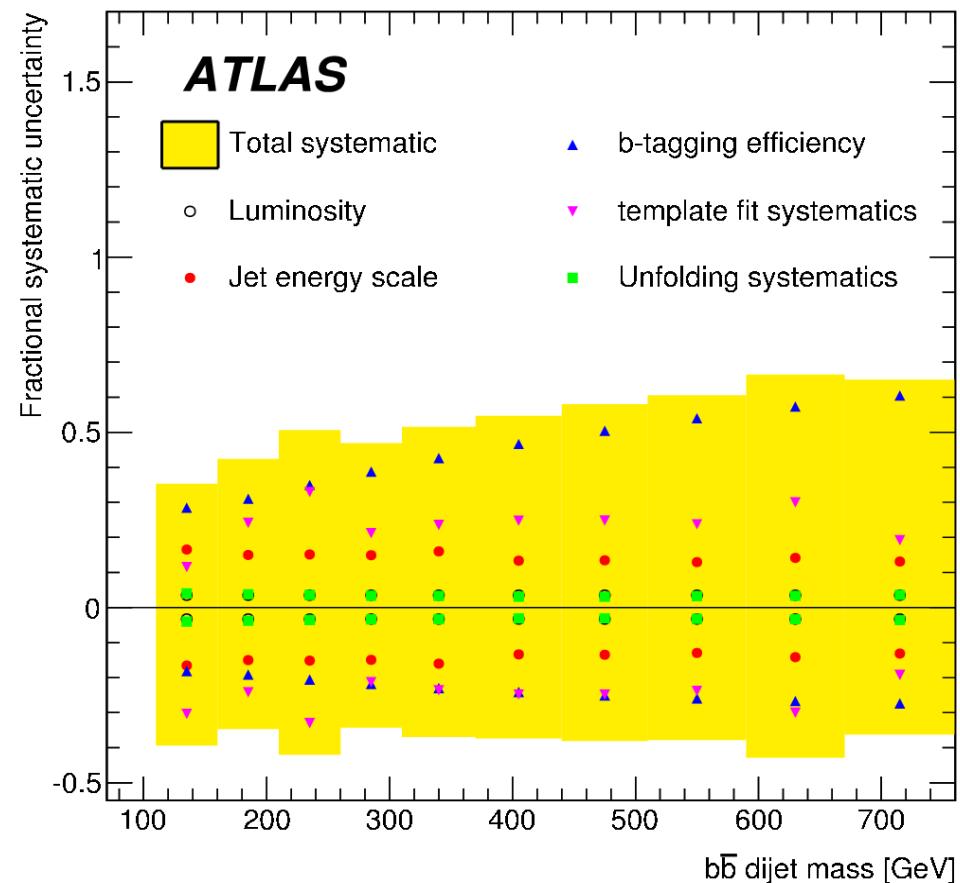
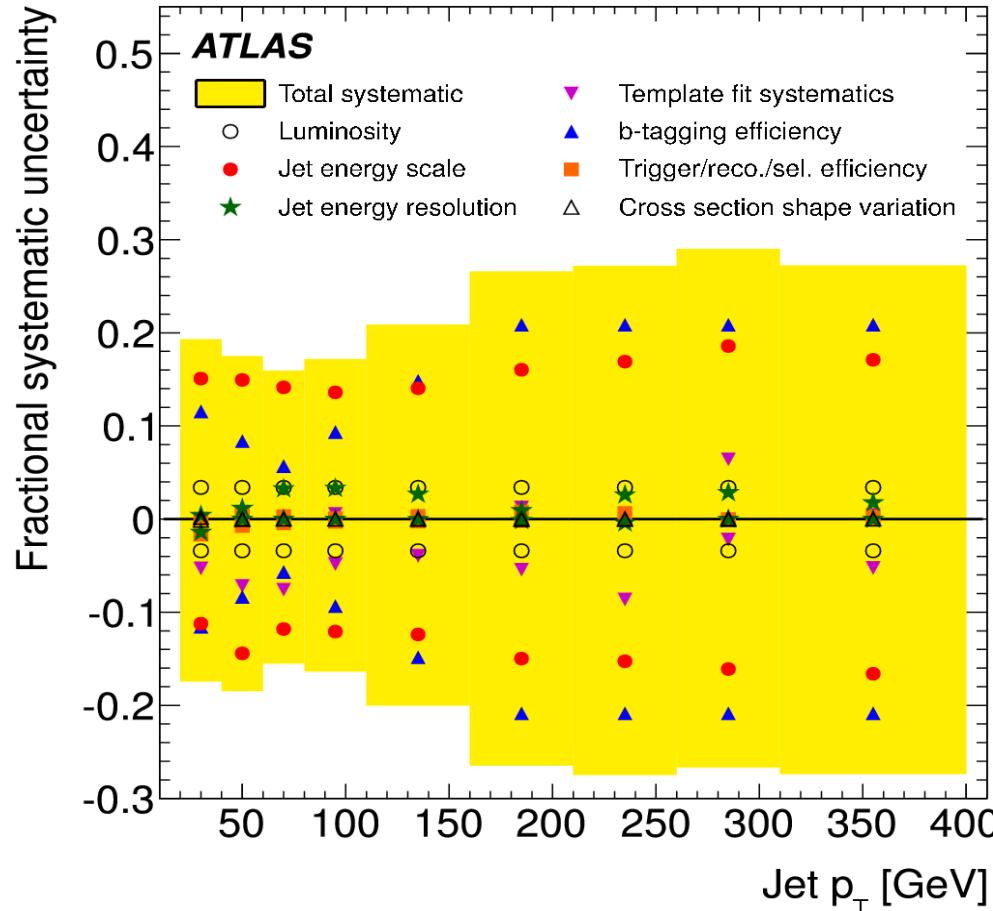


bb cross-section



Good agreement with Pythia, POWHEG and MC@NLO MC

Systematic uncertainties



Syst. uncertainty	Inclusive b -jet	$b\bar{b}$ -dijet
Jet energy scale	10–20%	10–20%
b -tagging efficiency	5–20%	30–50%
b -jet purity fit	3–8%	20–30%
Luminosity	3.4%	3.4%
Other sources	2%	2%

Measurement is systematics dominated

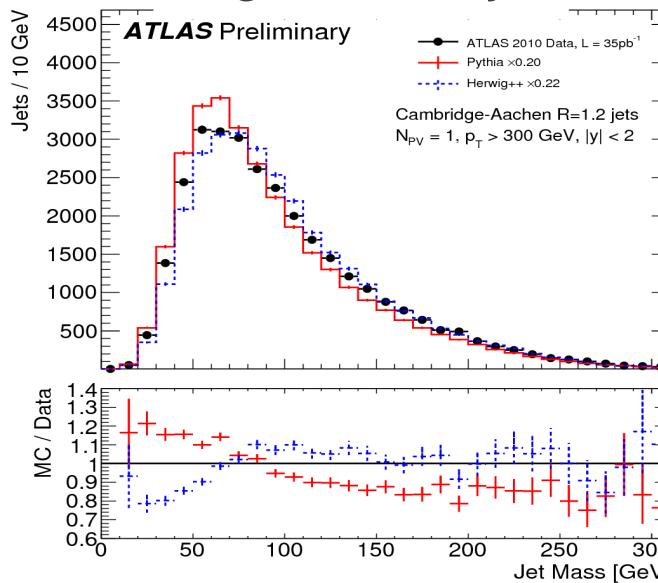
- Jet Energy Scale uncertainty
- B-tagging efficiency and purity determination

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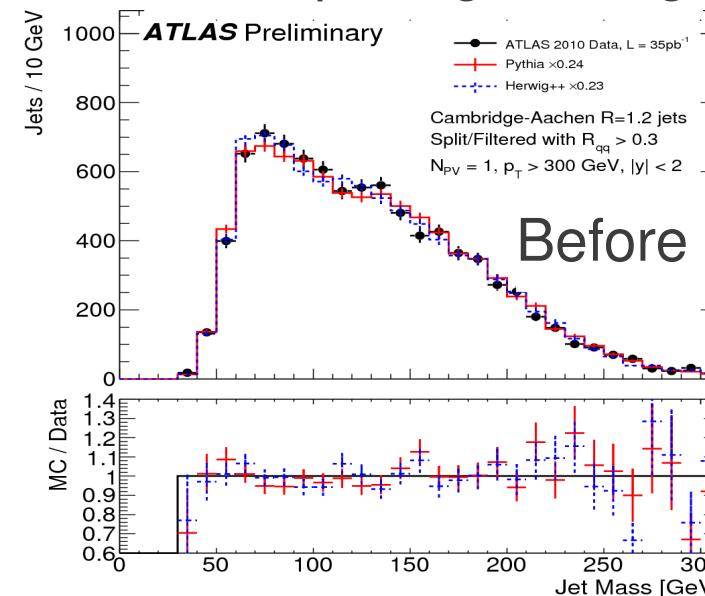
- Since we use jet mass and substructure, need to have confidence that MC describes such quantities well
- Show results for Cambridge-Aachen $R=1.2$ jets with $p_T > 300\text{GeV}$ and $|y| < 2$, with 2010 data
- Dominant systematics: Jet Energy and Mass Scale, Jet Energy and Mass Resolution (non-standard algorithm, default calibrations don't have to work)
 - JES, JMS: in-situ validation using track-jets, since cannot use balance techniques for mass → 5-7%
 - JER, JMR: use MC → 20-30%
- Bin-by-bin unfolding

Jet mass distributions

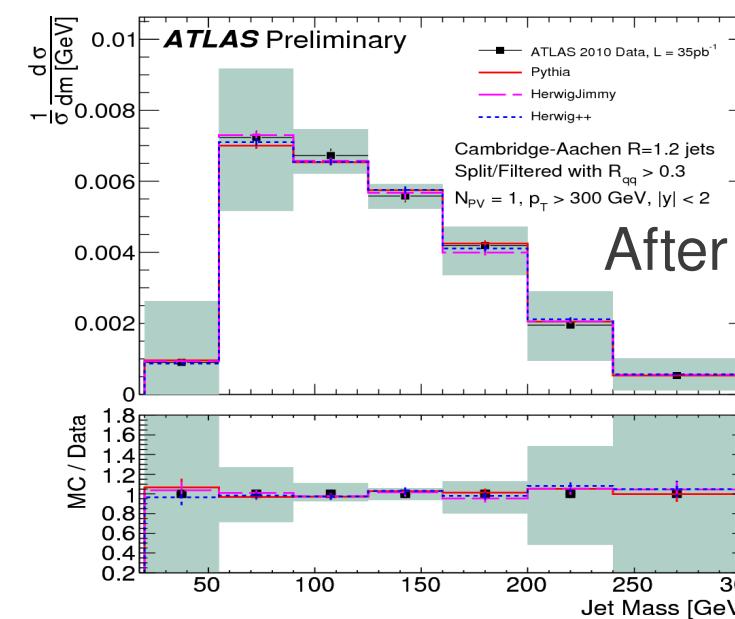
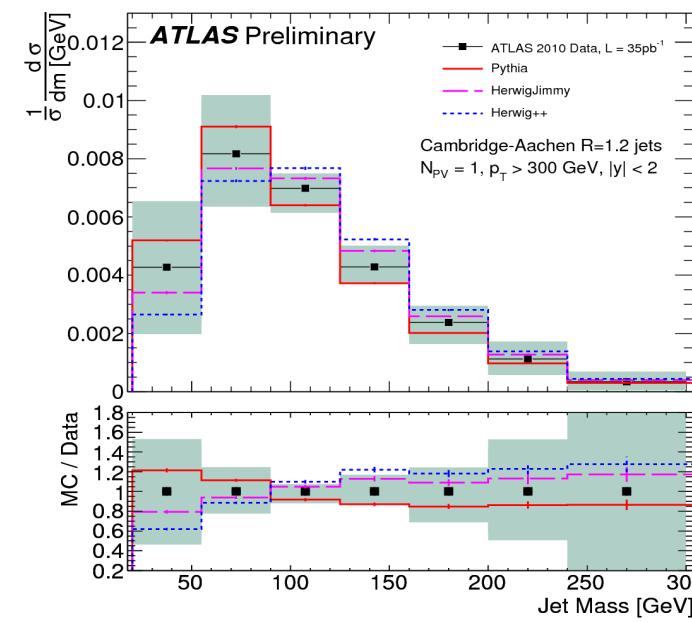
Original C-A jet



After splitting/filtering



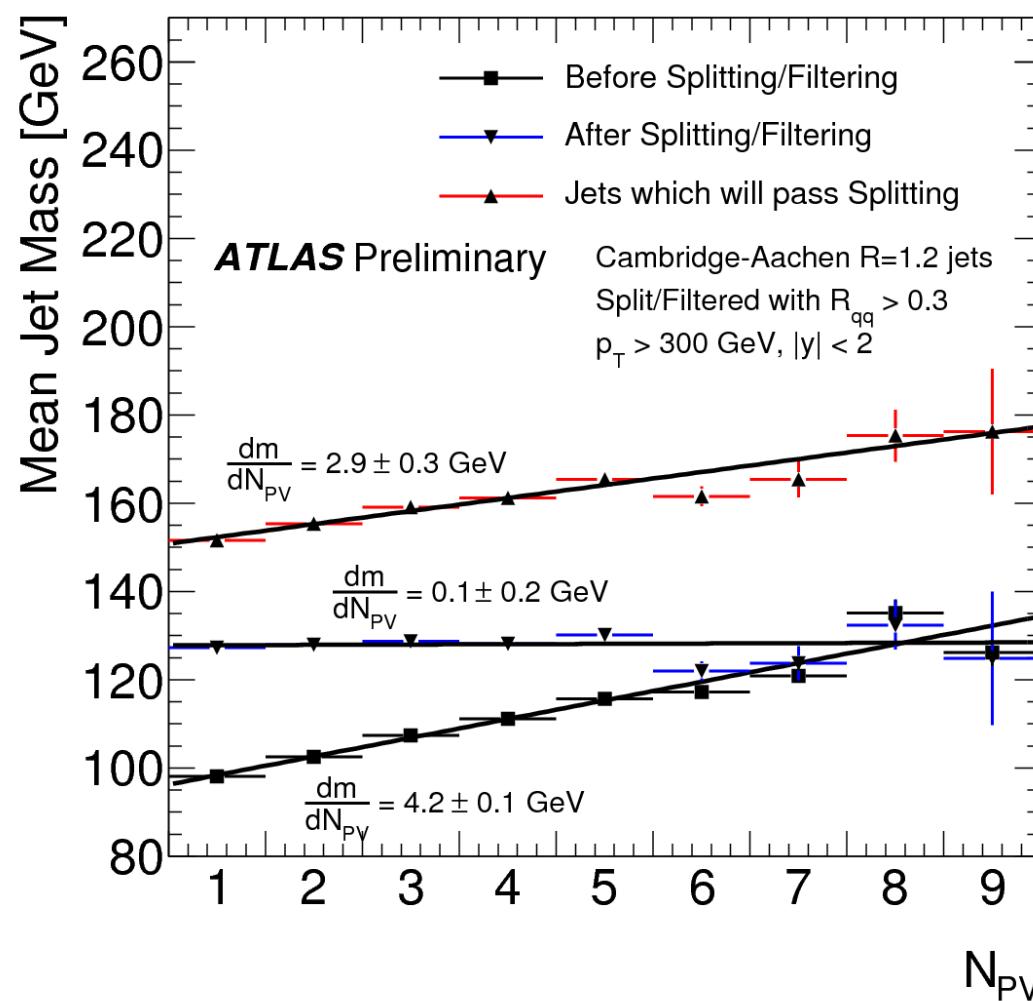
Before unfolding (detector level)



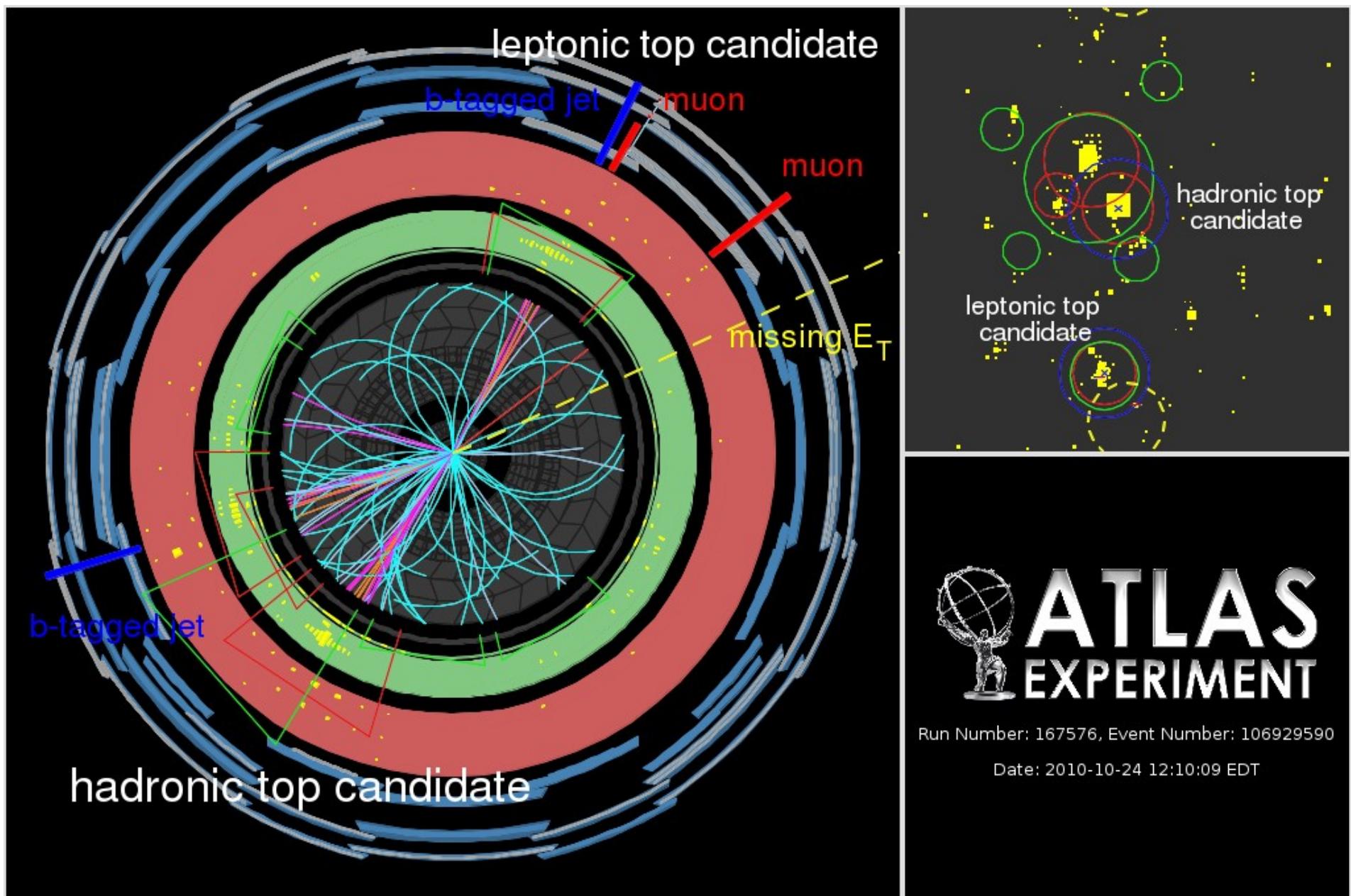
After unfolding (particle level)

Good agreement with Pythia and Herwig, not so good with Herwig++ (too many high mass jets)

- Other pp interactions in the event (== pileup) can bias the jet energy measurement, uncertainty and substructure (soft products included in reconstructed jet)
- Previous distributions without pileup (require nVertices=1). But filtering reduces dependence on pileup drastically, at least for 2010 levels.



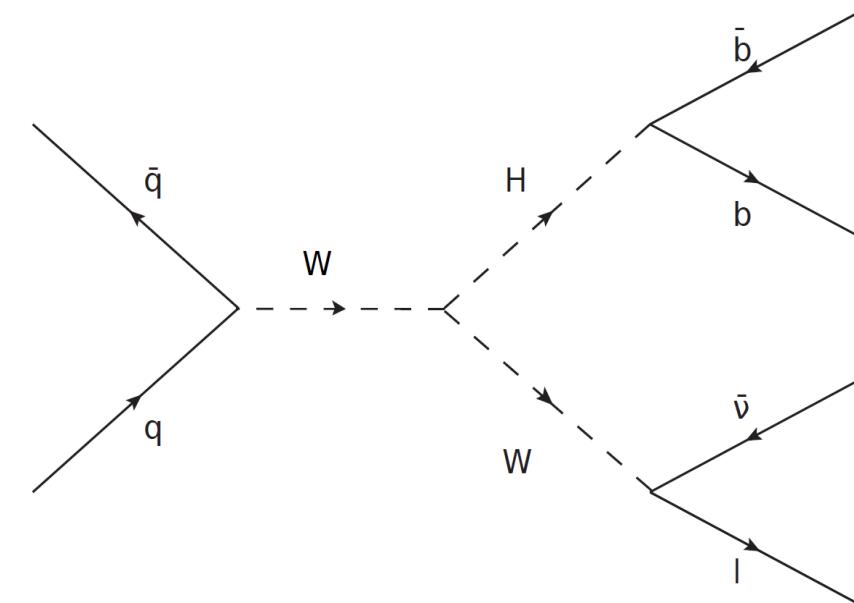
Jet with substructure



Red – antiKt04, blue – antiKt06, green – antiKt1

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- Summer 2011 results shown (1.04 fb^{-1})
- $\sigma(WH) \sim 2 \times \sigma(ZH)$
- Use high- p_T leptons to trigger and identify candidate events ($W \rightarrow l\nu$, $Z \rightarrow ll$, $l=e,\mu$)
- Look for two additional b-tagged jets in the event and reconstruct the Higgs mass as m_{bb}
- Backgrounds: Vbb (irreducible), ttbar, diboson (irreducible), QCD



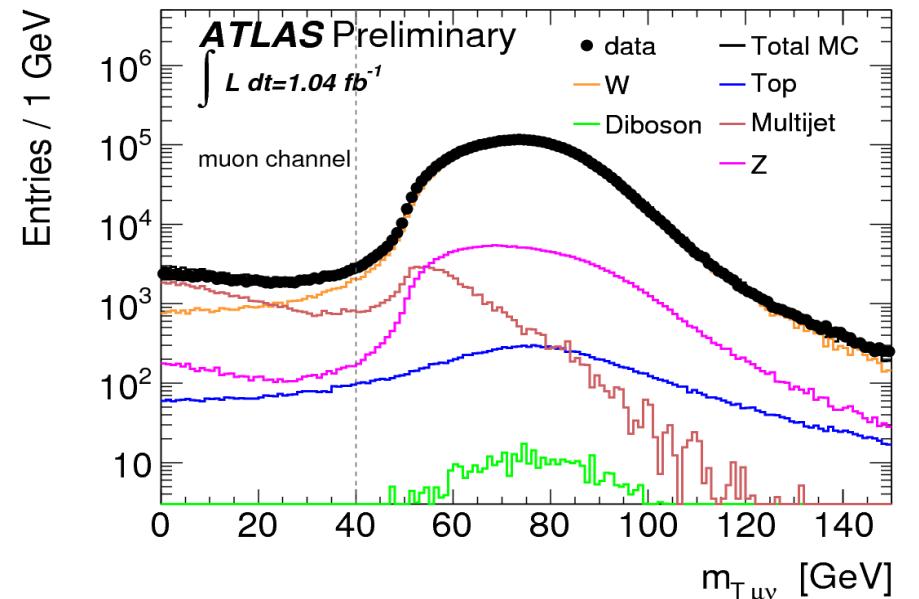
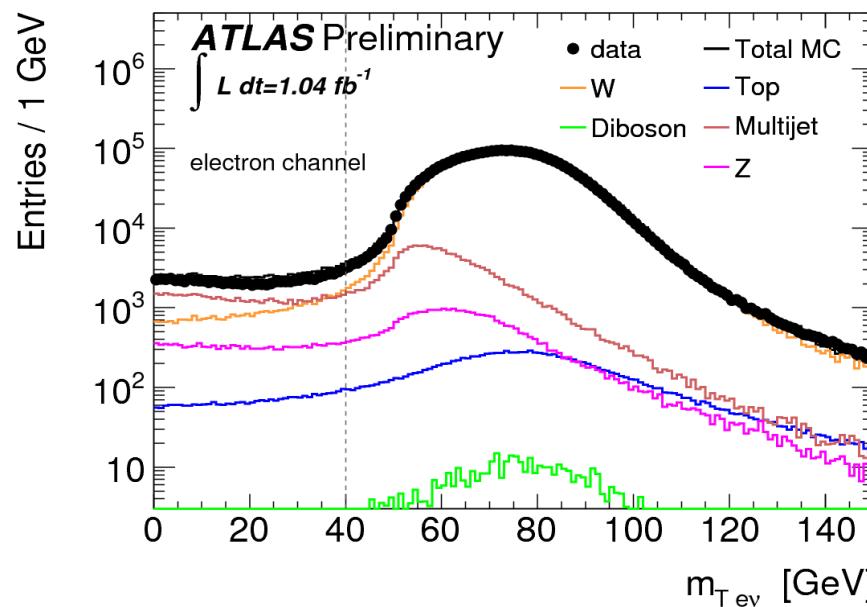
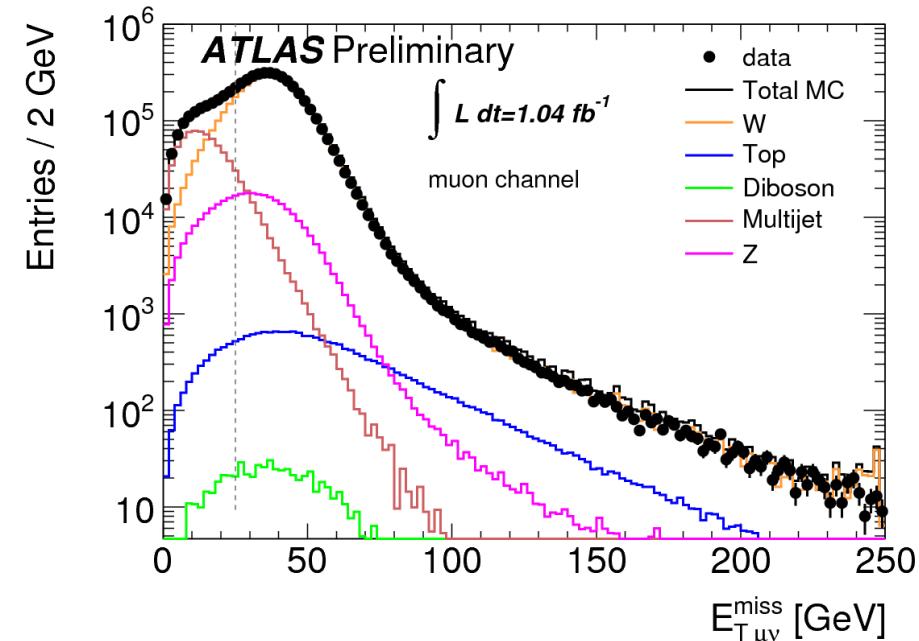
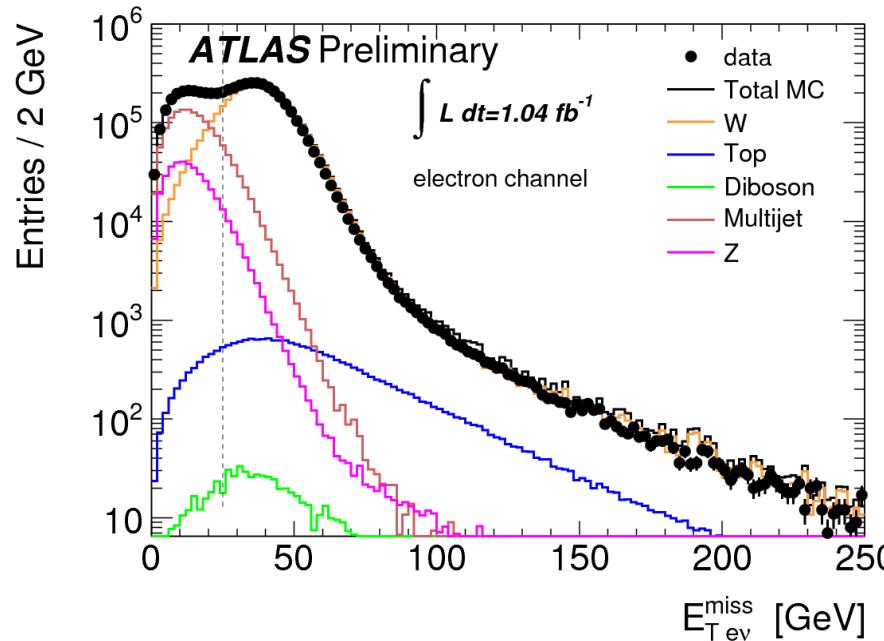
WH → bb (in general tighter)

- One good lepton in the event
- $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 25\text{GeV}$, $m_T > 40\text{GeV}$
- Exactly two jets in the event, both b-tagged – to reduce ttbar
- Good quality jets, reconstructed with the antiKt algorithm with $R=0.4$
- B-tagging: SV+IP3D combined tagger
- Single-lepton and di-electron (Z channel) triggers
- Primary vertex with at least 3 tracks

ZH → bb

- Two good leptons in the event at m_Z
- $E_T^{\text{miss}} < 50\text{GeV}$
- At least two jets in the event, the two leading ones b-tagged

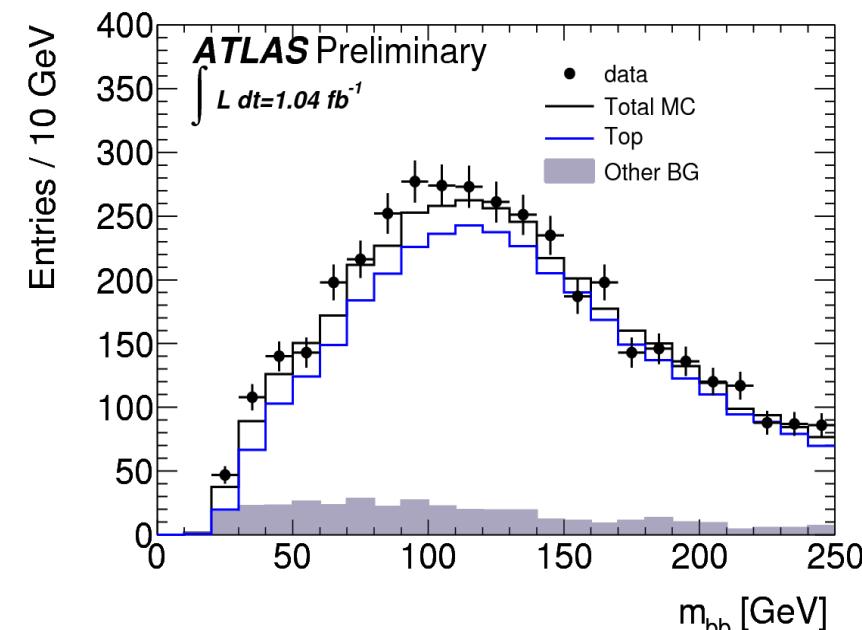
Some distributions...



ttbar and W+jets: shapes from MC (ttbar) and pre-b-tagged data (W+jets). Normalization from simultaneous fit on data using m_{bb} sidebands

- $m_{bb} < 80\text{GeV}$ – mainly ttbar
- $140\text{GeV} < m_{bb} < 250\text{GeV}$ – mainly W+jets

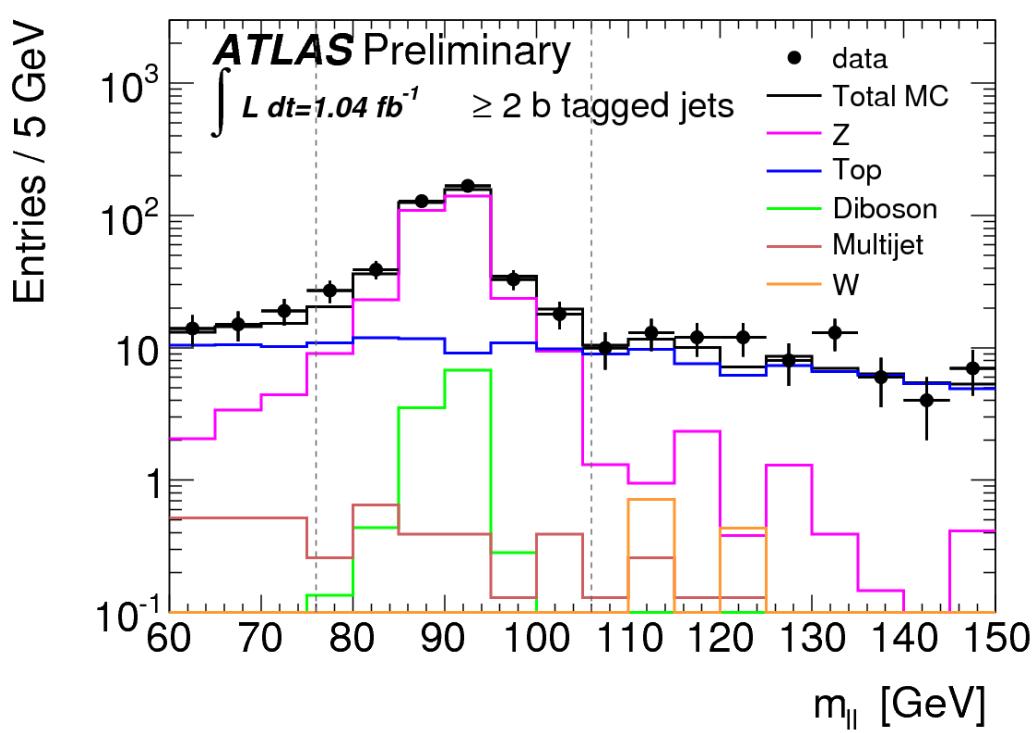
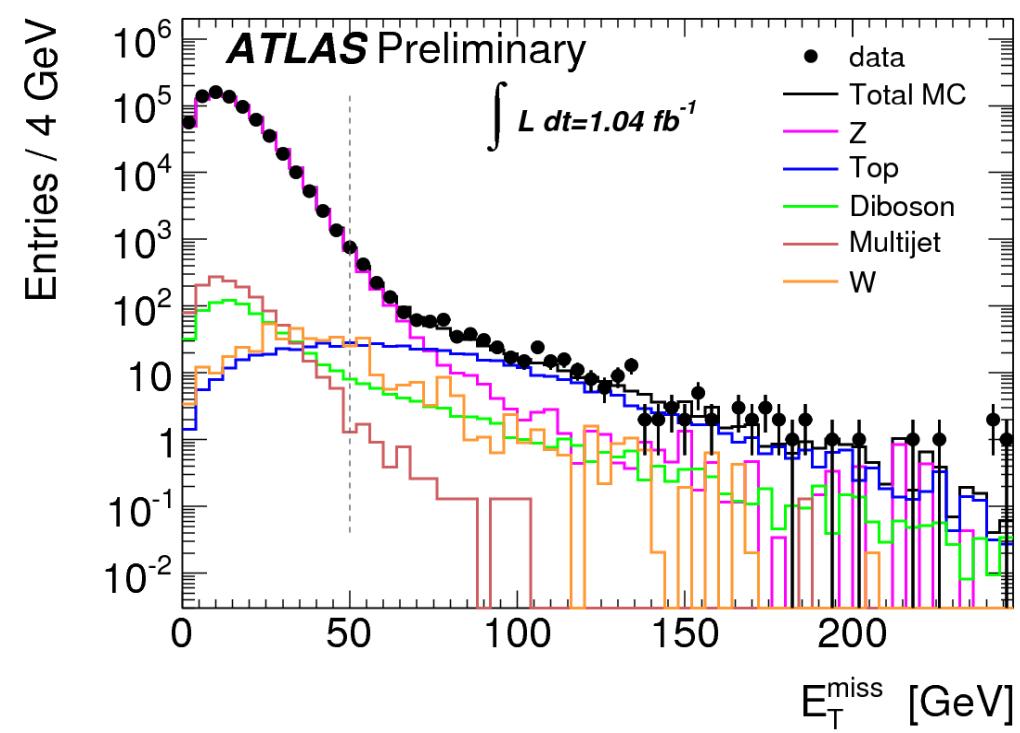
ttbar cross-check: m_{bb} for events with up to 3 jets (nJet=3 bin dominated by ttbar)



WZ and WW: irreducible background. Too small to measure from data, use MC

QCD multijet (fake or true leptons making a “W”): template method for e, MC for μ (negligible). Derive templates from data enriched in fake electrons, fit E_t^{miss} distribution and use normalization.

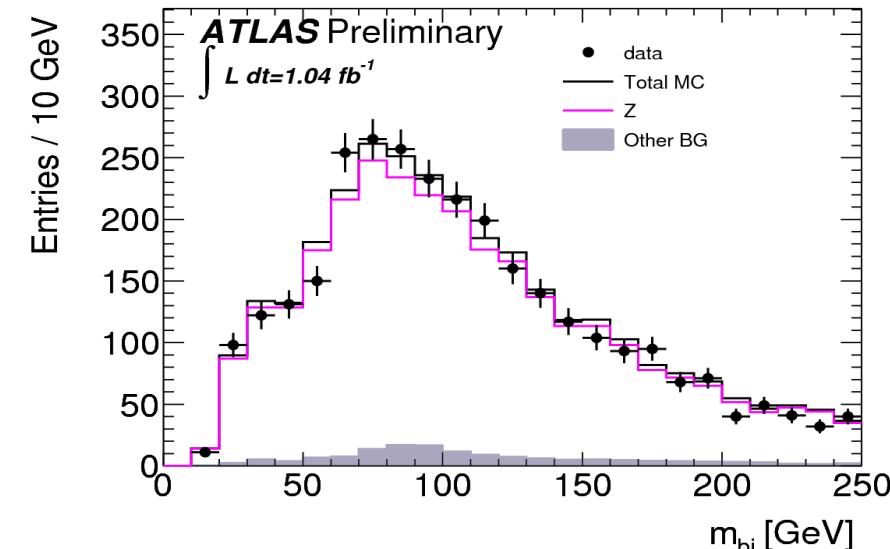
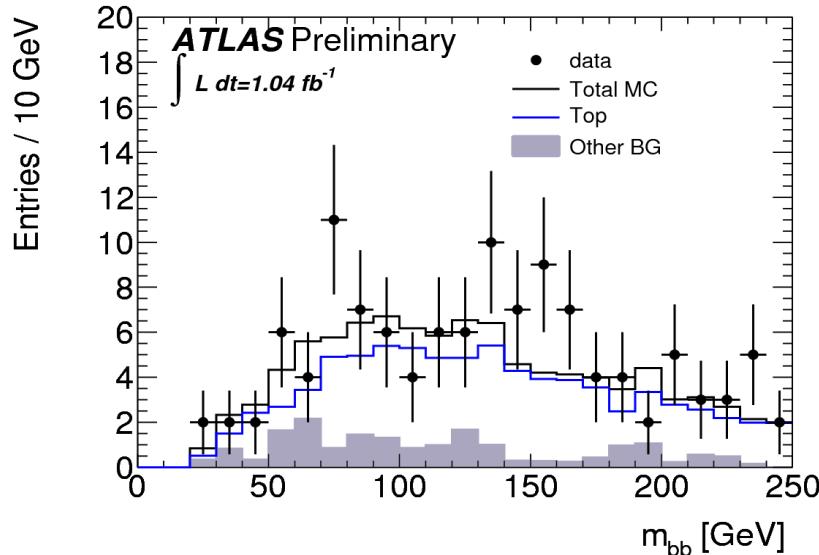
Some distributions...



ZH background estimations

Z+jets: shape from MC, normalization from data using m_{bb} sidebands ($m_{bb} < 80\text{GeV}$ and $140\text{GeV} < m_{bb} < 250\text{GeV}$)

- Cross-check: di-jet mass for only one b-tagged

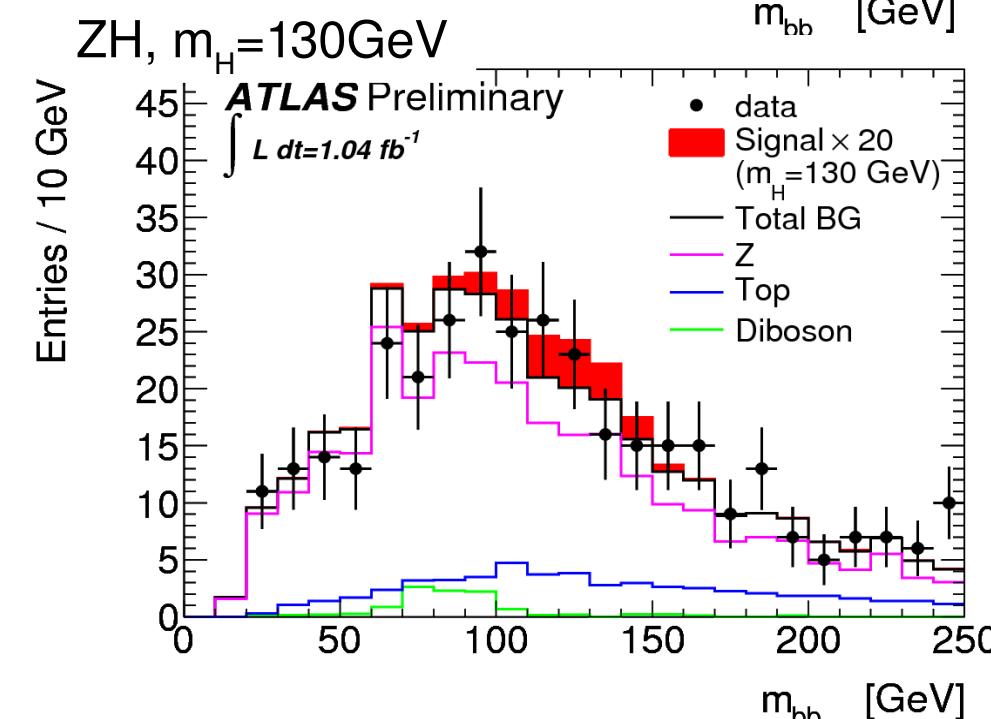
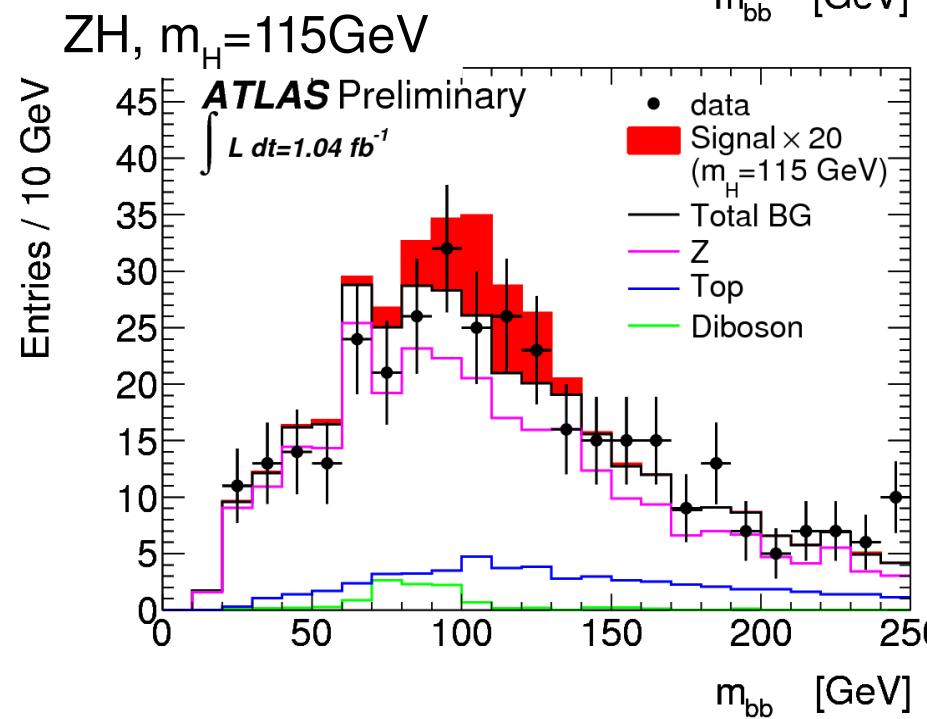
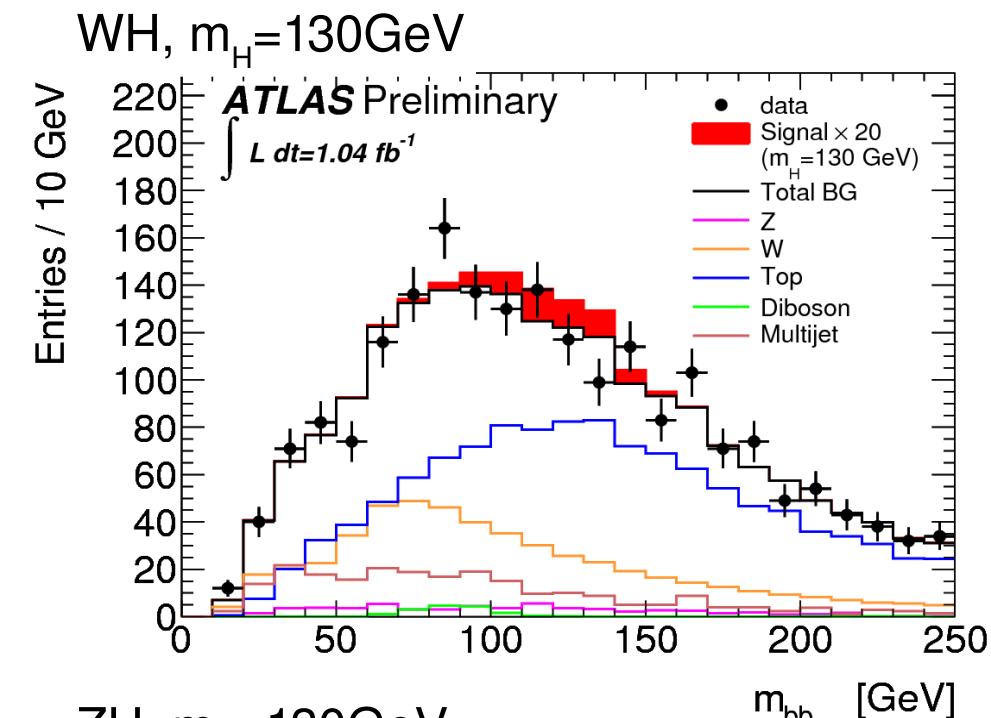
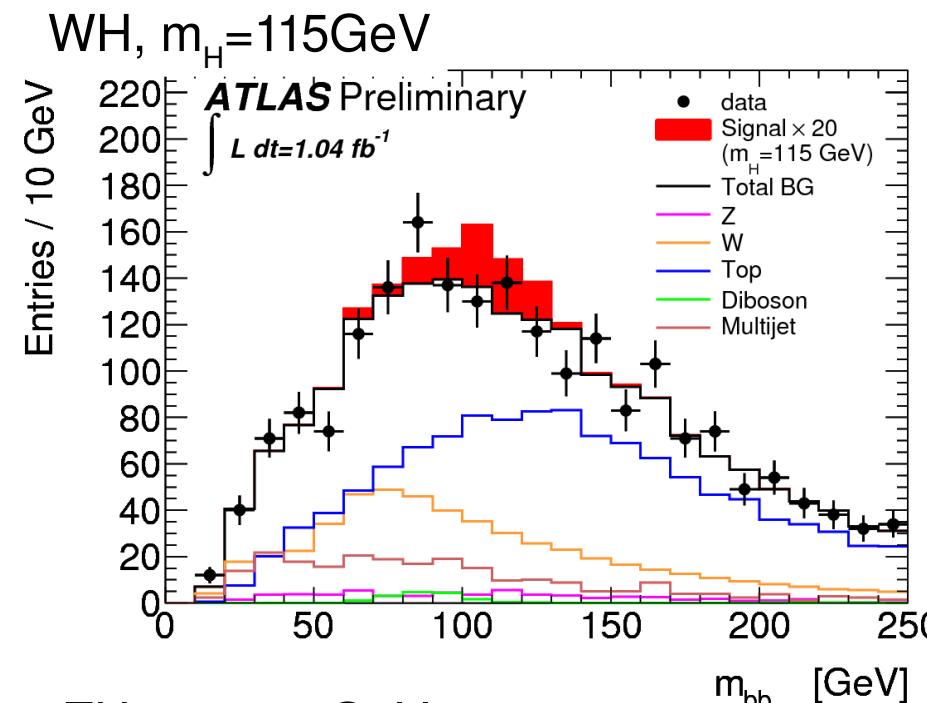


Top ($t\bar{t}$ bar and single): use MC, verify normalization in data using $m_{||}$ sidebands ($60\text{GeV} < m_{||} < 76\text{GeV}$ and $106\text{GeV} < m_{||} < 150\text{GeV}$)

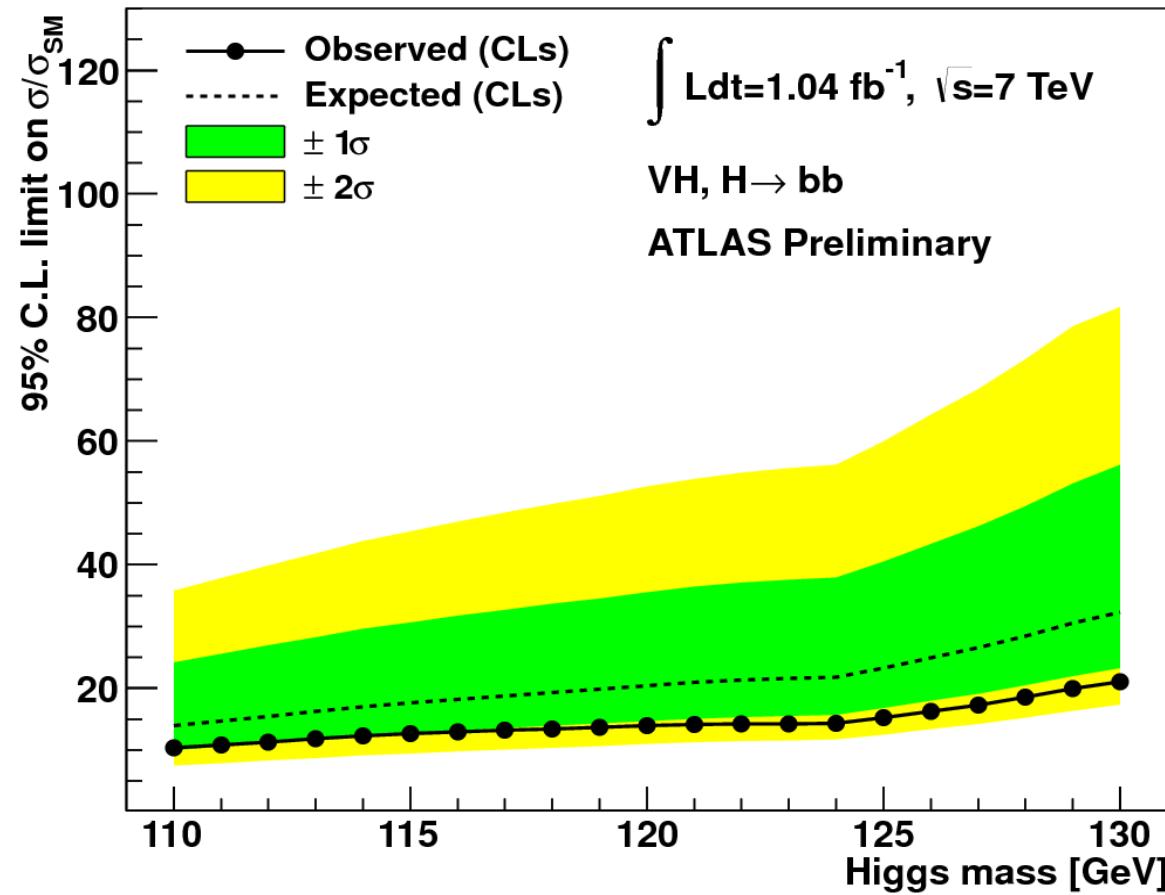
ZZ: irreducible background. Too small to measure from data, use MC

QCD multijet (fake or true leptons making a “Z”): template method for e, MC for μ (negligible). Derive templates from data enriched in fake electrons,⁴⁰ fit di-lepton mass distribution and use normalization.

Results - m_{bb}



Results - limits



Expected and observed exclusion limits for the ZH and WH channels combined.
Using profile-likelihood method with CL_s

→ all the observed points stay lower than the expected due to the very wide mass distribution ($\sigma_{mH} \sim 18-20 \text{ GeV}$), dominated by out-of-cone losses

- Detector-related – mainly b-tagging, JES, pileup
- Higgs cross-section
- Background estimates
- Luminosity

Source of Uncertainty	Treatment in analysis	
	ZH	WH
Luminosity	3.7%	3.7%
Higgs boson cross-section	5%	5%
Background norm. and shape:		
Top	9%	6%
Z+jets	9% plus shape	9%
W+jets	negligible	14% plus shapes
ZZ	11%	negligible
WZ	11%	11%
WW	negligible	11%
QCD multijets	100%	50%

Source of Uncertainty	Effect on $ZH \rightarrow \ell\ell b\bar{b}$ signal		Effect on $WH \rightarrow \ell v b\bar{b}$ signal	
	$m_H = 115$ GeV	$m_H = 130$ GeV	$m_H = 115$ GeV	$m_H = 130$ GeV
Electron Energy Scale	< 1%	< 1%	1%	1%
Electron Energy Resolution	< 1%	< 1%	1%	1%
Muon Momentum Resolution	1%	3%	4%	1%
→ Jet Energy	9%	7%	1%	3%
Jet Energy Resolution	< 1%	< 1%	1%	1%
Missing Transverse Energy	2%	2%	2%	3%
→ b -tagging Efficiency	16%	17%	16%	17%
b -tagging Mis-tag Fraction	< 1%	< 1%	3%	3%
Electron Efficiency	1%	1%	1%	1%
Muon Efficiency	1%	1%	1%	1%
Luminosity	4%	4%	4%	4%
Higgs Cross-section	5%	5%	5%	5%

- Motivation – why boosted $VH \rightarrow bb$?
- Track-based b-tagging with ATLAS
- Associated analyses of a boosted $VH \rightarrow bb$ search
 - Inclusive b-jet and bb cross section
 - Jet substructure measurements
 - Un-boosted (inclusive) $VH \rightarrow bb$
- Conclusions

- Boosted VH \rightarrow bb can contribute valuable sensitivity to low-mass Higgs searches
- ATLAS has proven good understanding of jets, b-tagging and even jet substructure, as shown by early SM and performance measurements
- Inclusive VH \rightarrow bb measurement available, working on further improvements
- Moving on to boosted VH \rightarrow bb:
 - Can probably relax some cuts, but...
 - Estimating low backgrounds with low data statistics challenging
 - Special jet energy and mass systematics required
 - B-tagging in busy boosted jet environment
 - Use boosted Z \rightarrow bb to constrain some of those systematics

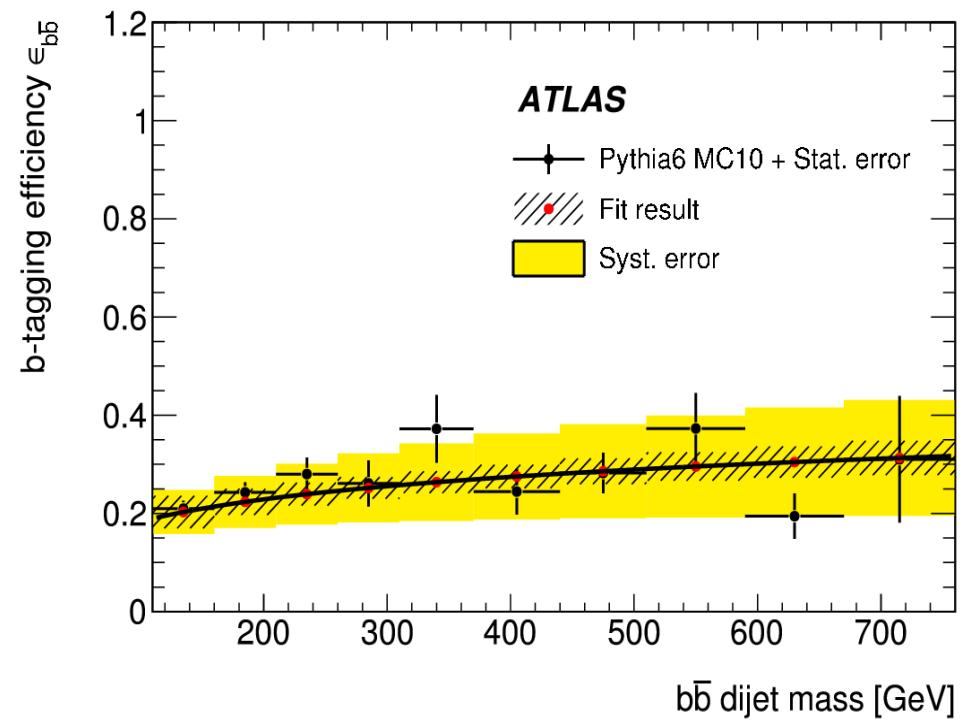
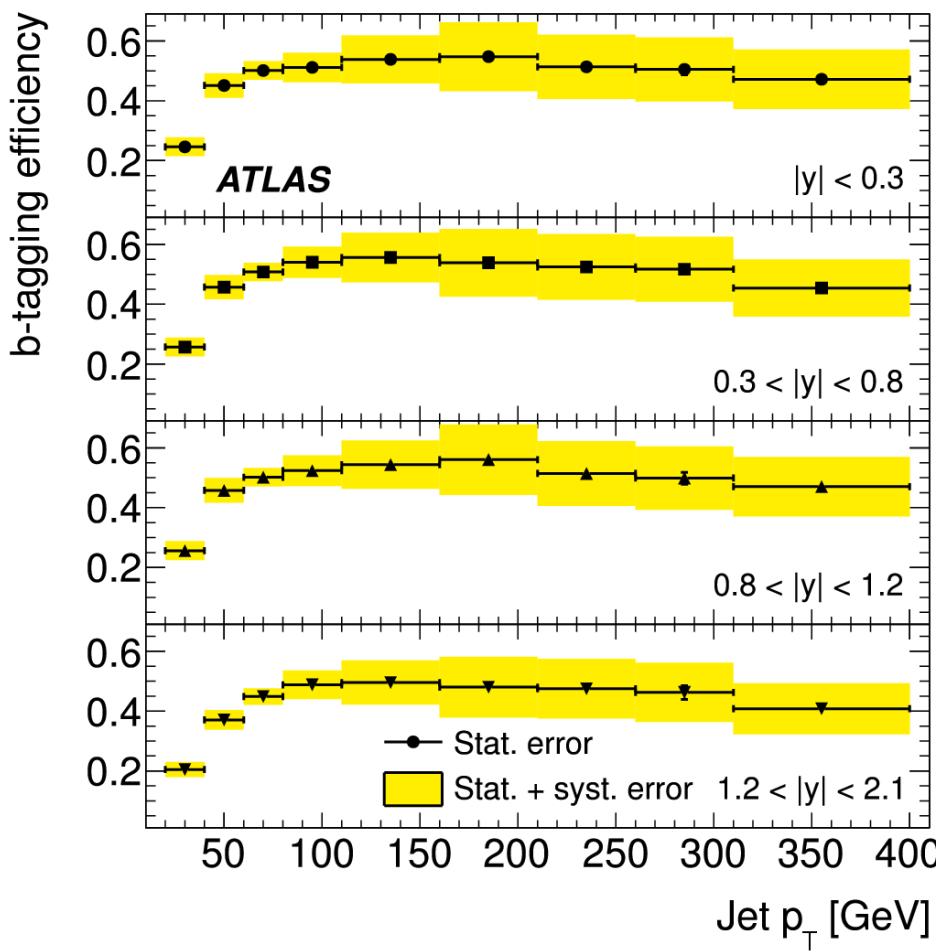


EXTRAS



B-tagging efficiency

Measured in MC, then scaled to data-driven efficiency measurement with official b-tagging group Scale Factors



WH → bb

- Electrons: “tight” quality, $p_T > 25\text{GeV}$, $|\eta| < 2.47$, isolation, $|d_o| < 0.1\text{mm}$, $|z_o| < 10\text{mm}$
- Muons: $p_T > 25\text{GeV}$, $|\eta| < 2.4$, isolation, $|d_o| < 0.1\text{mm}$, $|z_o| < 10\text{mm}$, $\Delta R > 0.4$ from jets
- One lepton in the event
- $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 25\text{GeV}$, $m_T > 40\text{GeV}$
- Exactly two jets in the event, both b-tagged
- Jets (antiKt algorithm with $\Delta R=0.4$): jet cleaning, $p_T > 25\text{GeV}$, Jet Vertex Fraction > 0.75 , $|\eta| < 2.5$, $\Delta R > 0.4$ from electrons
- B-tagging: SV+IP3D combined tagger, at 70% efficiency – 50 light rejection working point on ttbar simulation
- Single-lepton and di-electron (Z channel) triggers
- Primary vertex with at least 3 tracks

ZH → bb

- Electrons: “medium” quality, $p_T > 20\text{GeV}$, $|\eta| < 2.47$, isolation
- Muons: $p_T > 20\text{GeV}$, $|\eta| < 2.5$, isolation
- Two same-flavor leptons in the event, with $76\text{GeV} < m_{\parallel} < 106\text{GeV}$
- $E_T^{\text{miss}} < 50\text{GeV}$
- At least two jets in the event, the two leading ones b-tagged