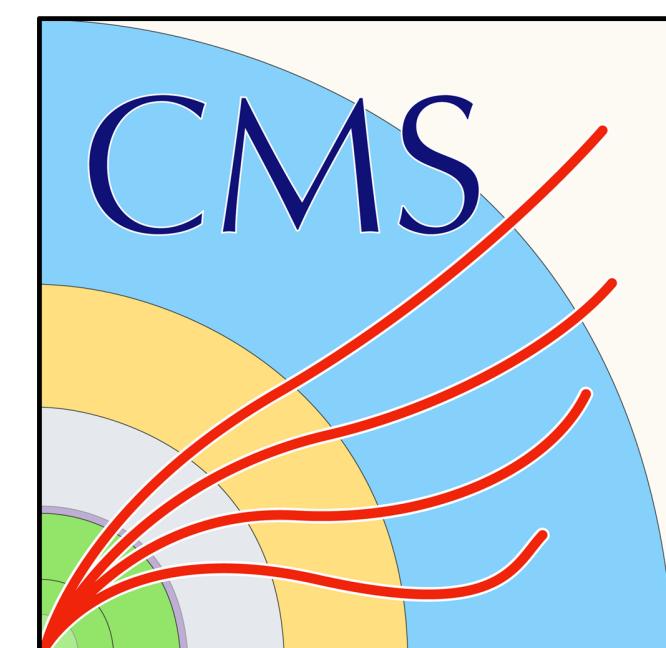


# Performing precision measurements and new physics searches at the HL-LHC with the upgraded CMS Level-1 Trigger

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## CMS' Adventures in the Level-1 Trigger Wonderland

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# HL-LHC and CMS Phase-2

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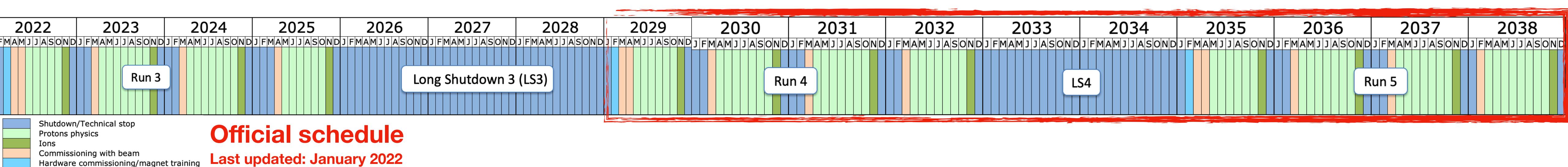
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# HL-LHC and CMS Phase-2

# High Luminosity LHC and CMS Phase-2 upgrade

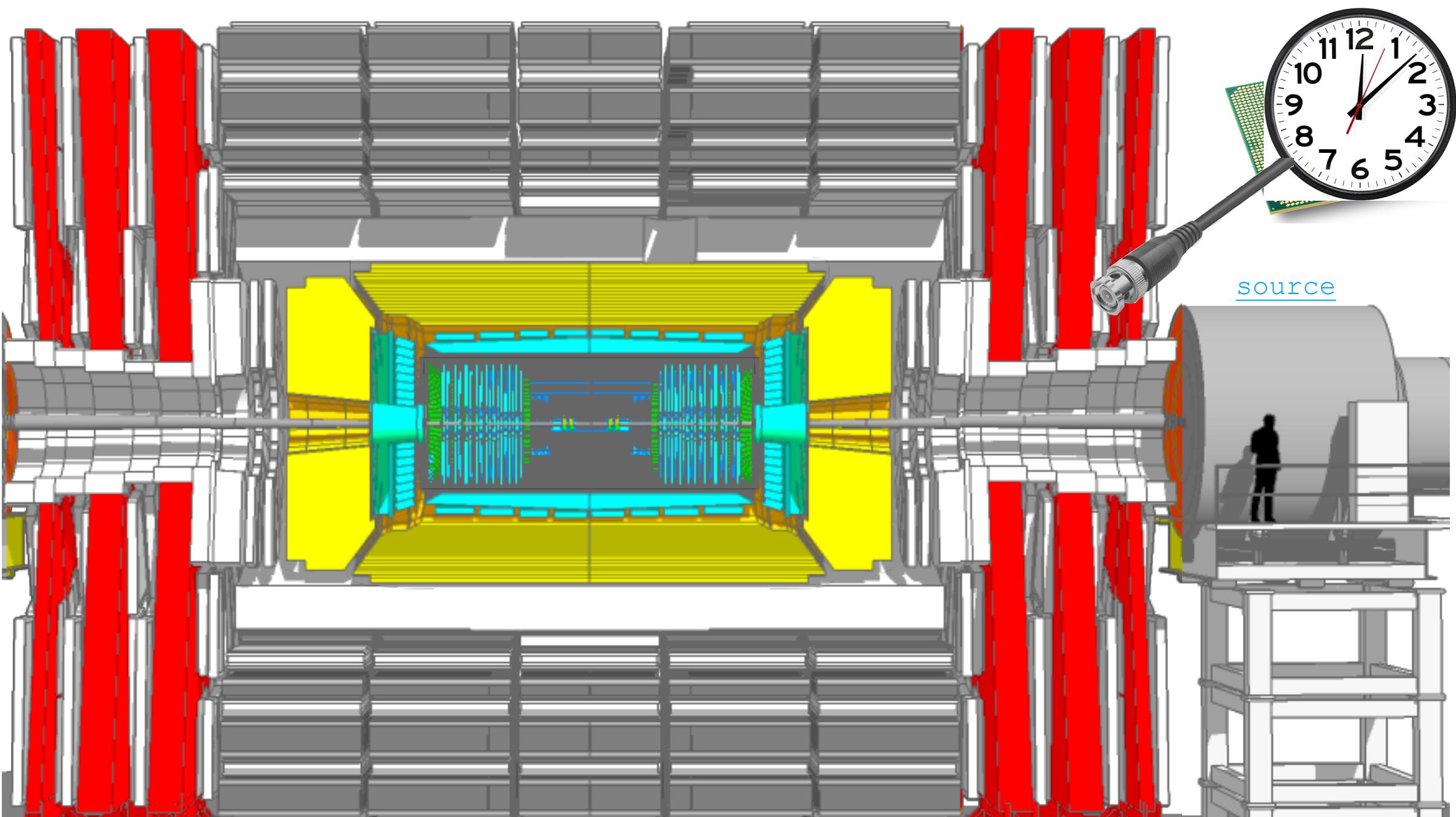
- **High Luminosity LHC** will start in 2029 and will integrate **10 times the LHC luminosity**, and have an **instantaneous luminosity 3 times the Run 2 peak value**
- ⇒ **unprecedented levels of radiation and number of simultaneous collisions** ( $\sim 70$ @LHC →  $\sim 200$ @HL-LHC)



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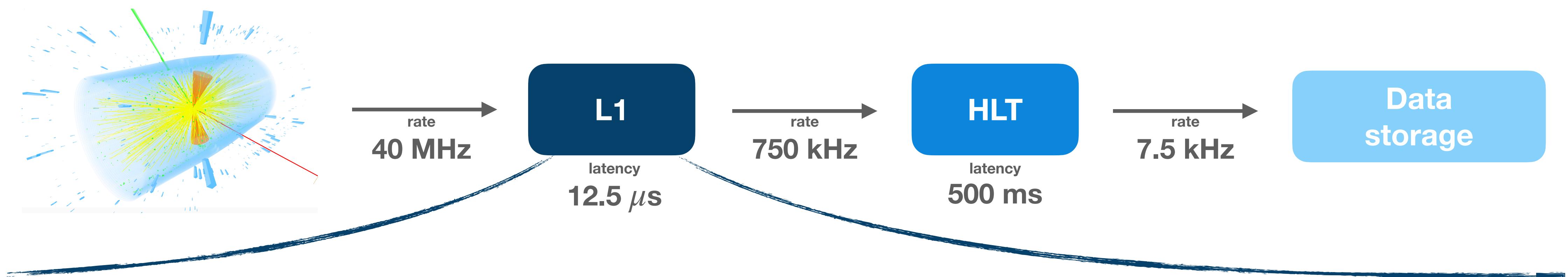
- The CMS experiment will be upgraded mainly (but not only) by:

- \* replacing the **tracking detectors** [TDR](#)
- \* replacing the **barrel calorimeters electronics** [TDR](#)
- \* replacing the **endcap muon detectors** [TDR](#)
- \* replacing the **endcap calorimeter** [TDR](#)
- \* introducing the **timing detector** [TDR](#)
- \* renewing the **Trigger** [TDR](#) and the **DAQ** [TDR](#)



# CMS Phase-2 Trigger

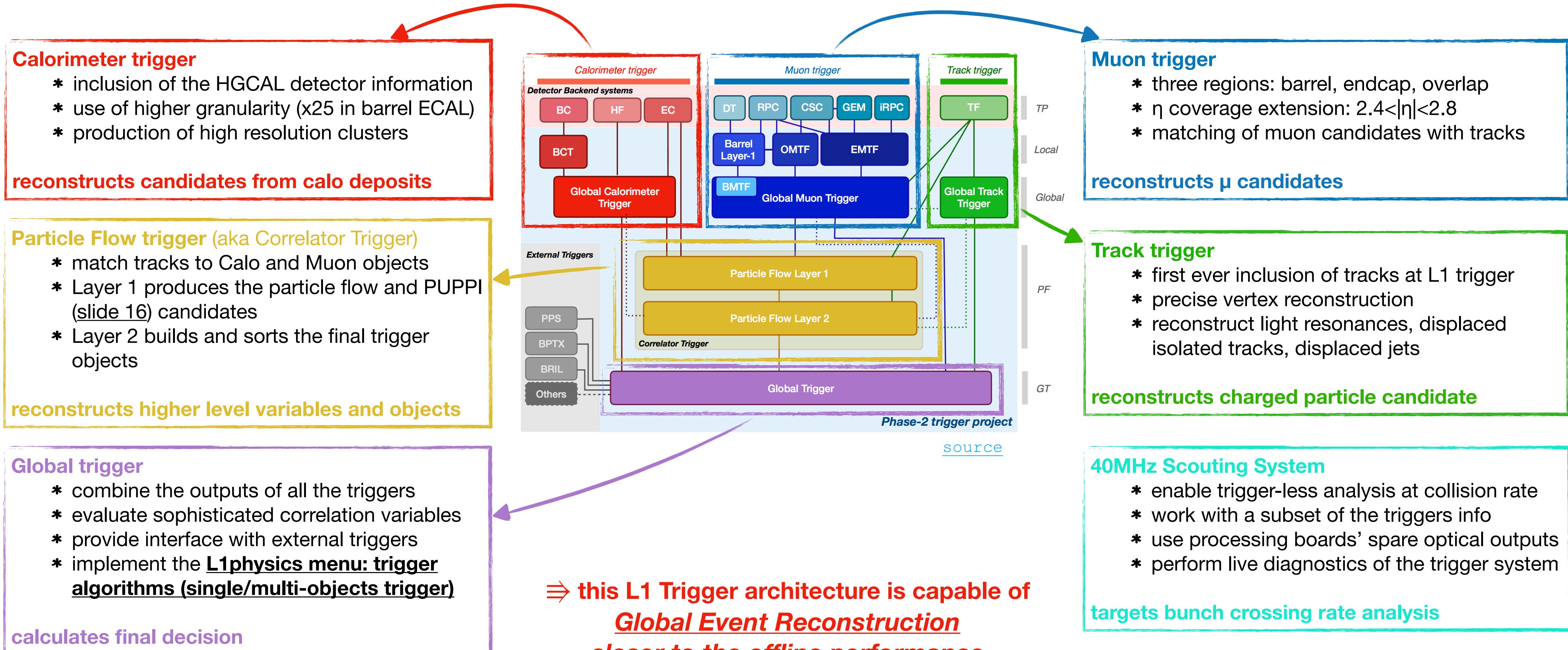
- The Phase-2 trigger system implements the well-established **two-level trigger architecture** with **Level-1 (L1)** and **High-Level-Trigger (HLT)**
- The **L1 trigger** will operate **at hardware level** implementing processor boards equipped with FPGAs and high-speed links
- The **HLT** will operate **at software level** using as input the CMS detector full-granularity information and more sophisticated algorithms



The **main hardware features** for the Phase-2 L1 Trigger system will be:

- \* the use of **generic processor boards**
- \* the use of **high-speed optical links**  
(*28Gb/s against the 10Gb/s in Phase-1*)
- \* the extensive use of **state-of-the-art FPGAs**  
(*8 times more resources than in Phase-1*)
- \* the implementation of a **modular architecture**

# CMS Phase-2 Level-1 Trigger architecture



# Preserving the discovery potential...

...with single-lepton trigger algorithms  
...with double- $\gamma$  trigger algorithms  
...with double- $\tau$  trigger algorithms  
...with multi-jet trigger algorithms

# ...with single-lepton trigger algorithms

## Preserving Phase-1 lepton L1-thresholds with track information

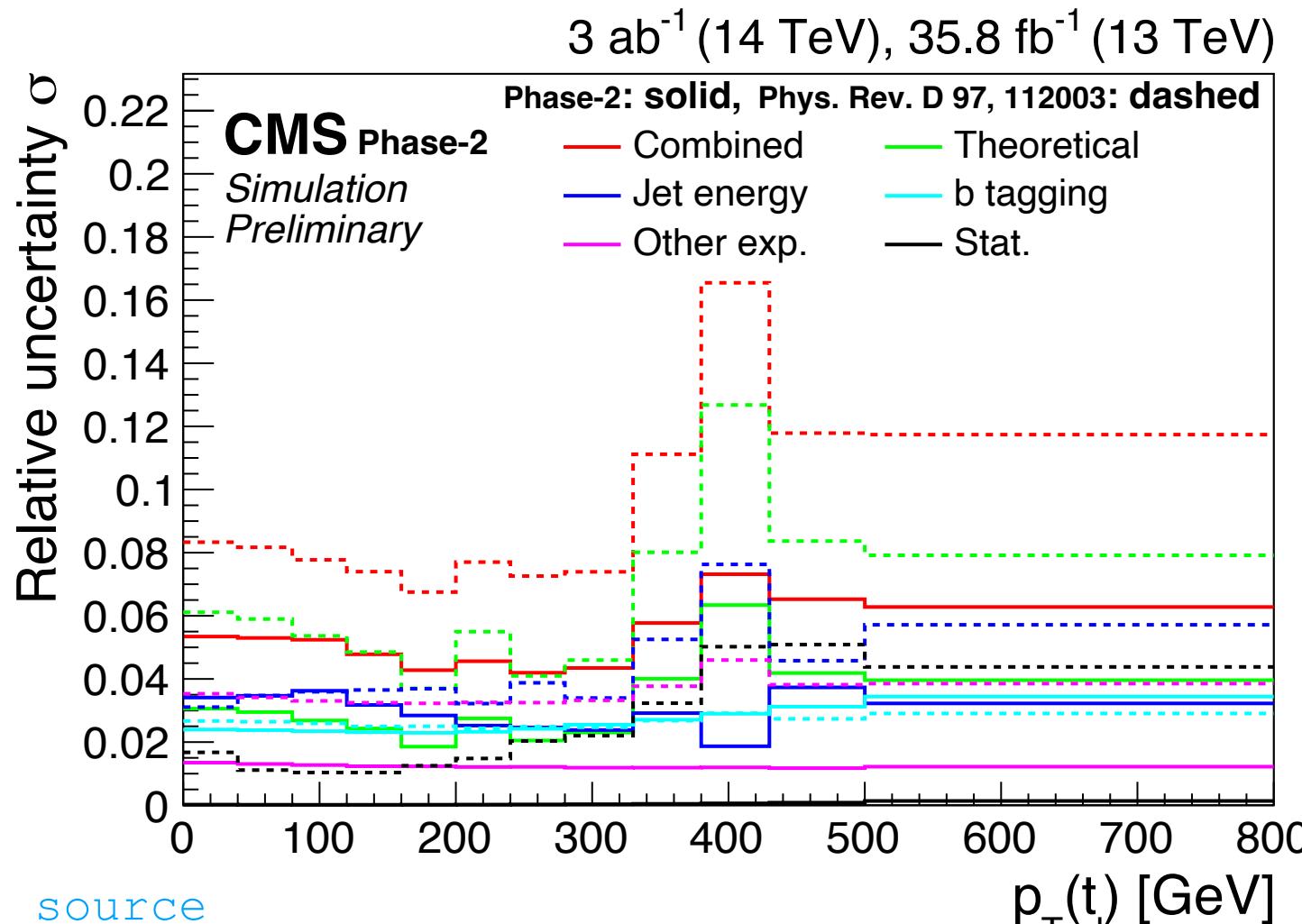
The role of tracks for the lepton algorithms is threefold:

- \* they are **matched to the calorimeter deposits** to help in the identification of the  $e$  candidates
- \* they are **matched to the muon detectors hits** to help in the identification of the  $\mu$  candidates
- \* they are **used to define an isolation variable** for both  $e$  and  $\mu$  candidates

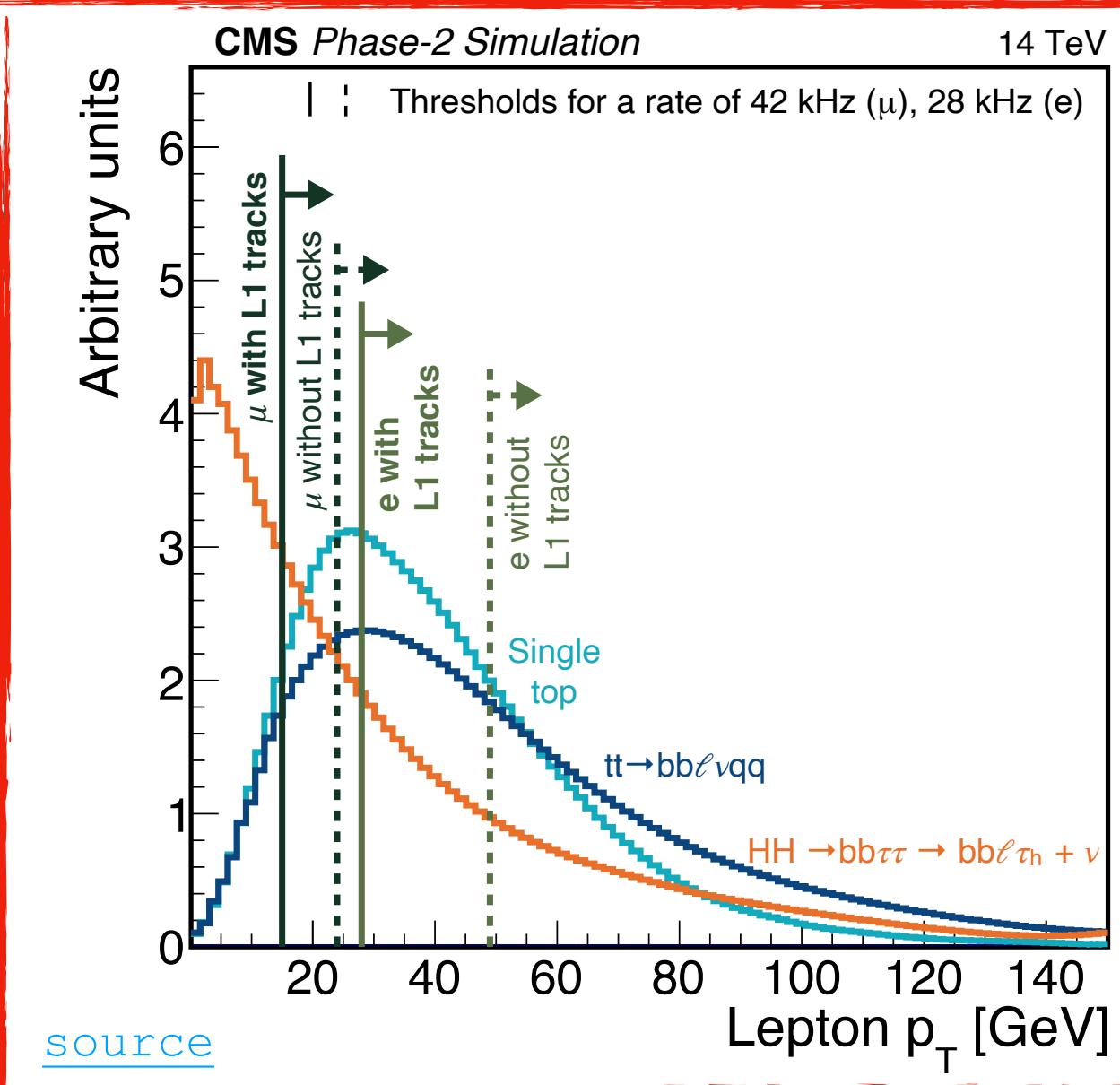
Using the tracks at L1 Trigger guarantees to set thresholds on  $e/\mu$  as low as those used during Phase-1

## Differential $t\bar{t} \rightarrow b\bar{b}\ell\nu q\bar{q}$

- Important test of SM, EWSB, and BSM
- Important bkg for many other analysis
- $\eta$ -differential studies accessible during Phase-2



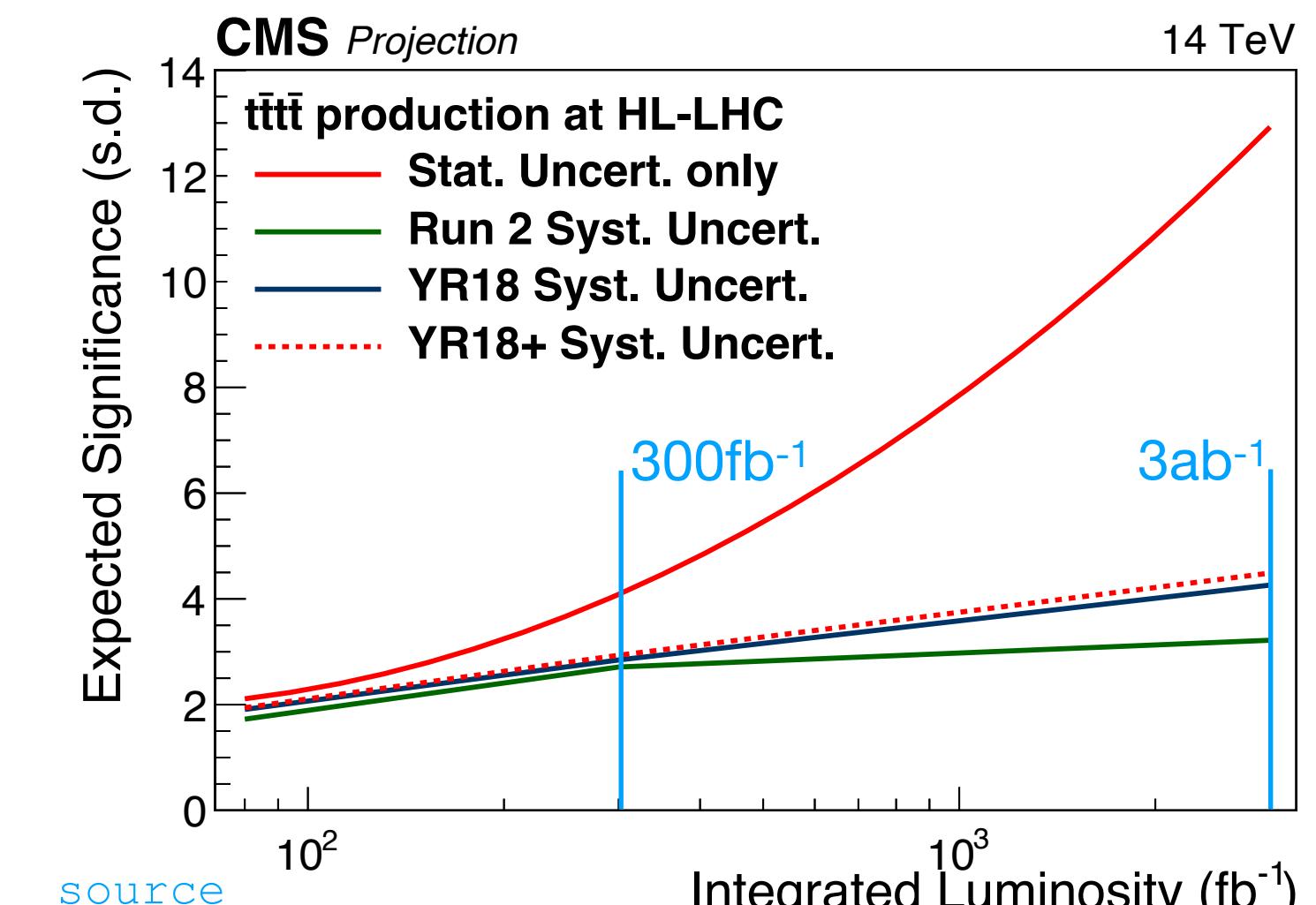
⇒ x1.5 improvement compared to 2016



⇒ x2 improvement compared to Run2

## $t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$ in leptonic final states

- Rare SM process used to **constrain** magnitude and **CP properties** of **top Yukawa coupling**, and to **probe BSM scenarios** (2HDM and DM)
- Evidence possible already at  $300\text{fb}^{-1}$**



# ...with double- $\gamma$ trigger algorithms

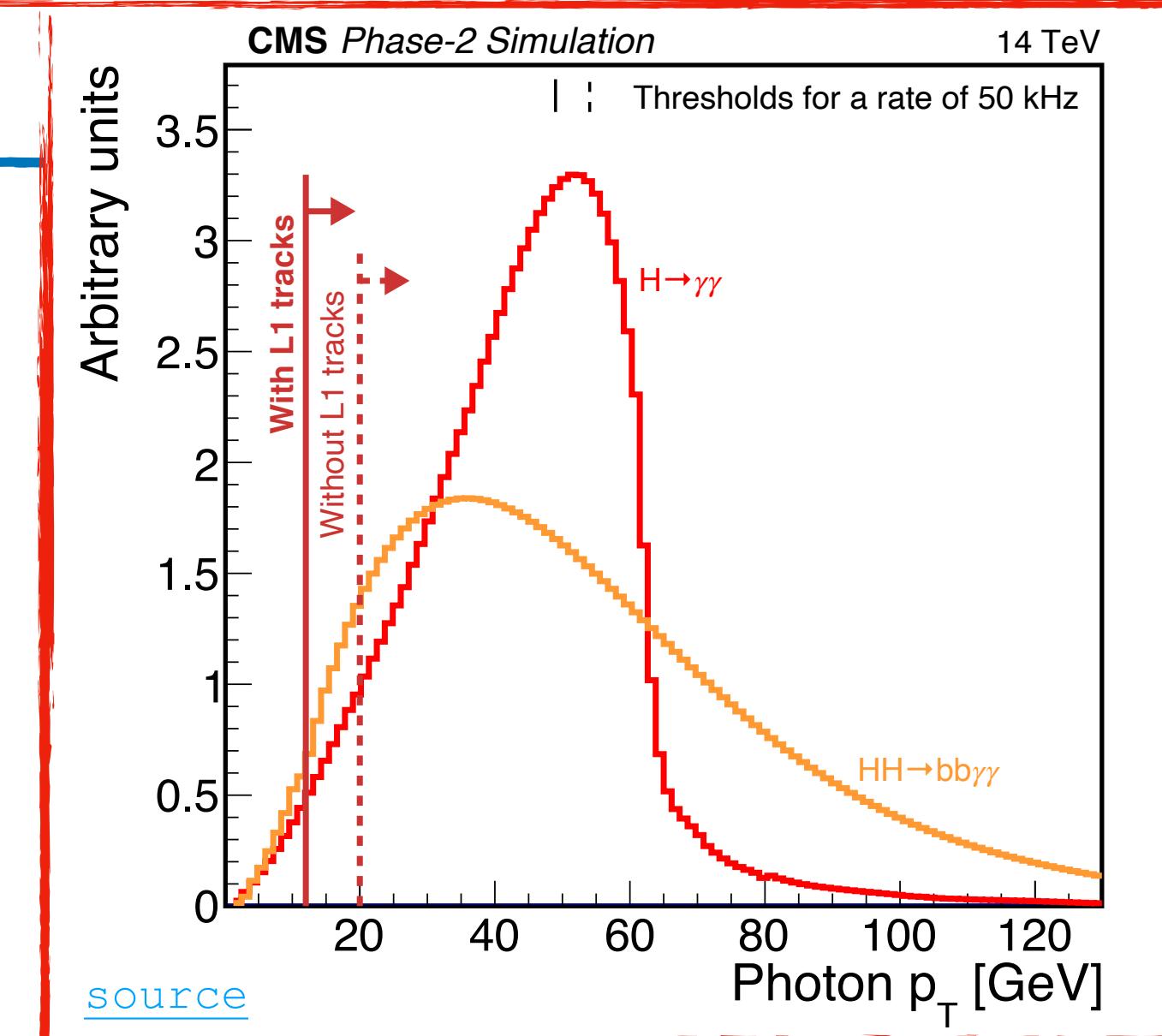
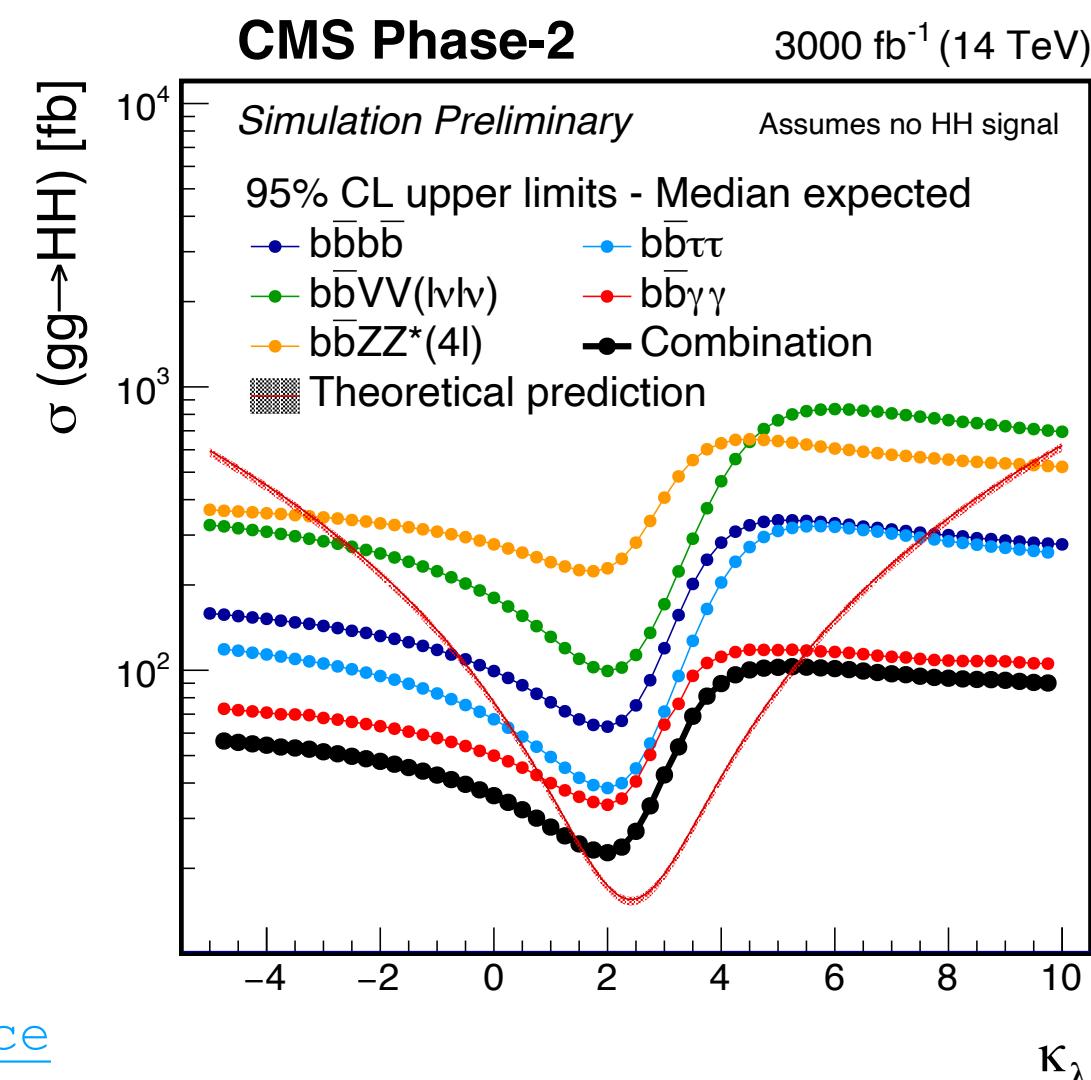
## Preserving Phase-1 photon L1-thresholds with track information

The role of tracks for the photon algorithms is that they are **used to define an isolation variable**: a photon is identified as an isolated standalone calorimeter objects satisfying the calorimeter-based  $\gamma$  ID for barrel and endcap, and the **track-based isolation cut ( $|\eta| < 2.4$ )** is enforced on the candidate

**Using the tracks at L1 Trigger guarantees to set thresholds on  $\gamma$  as low as those used during Phase-1**

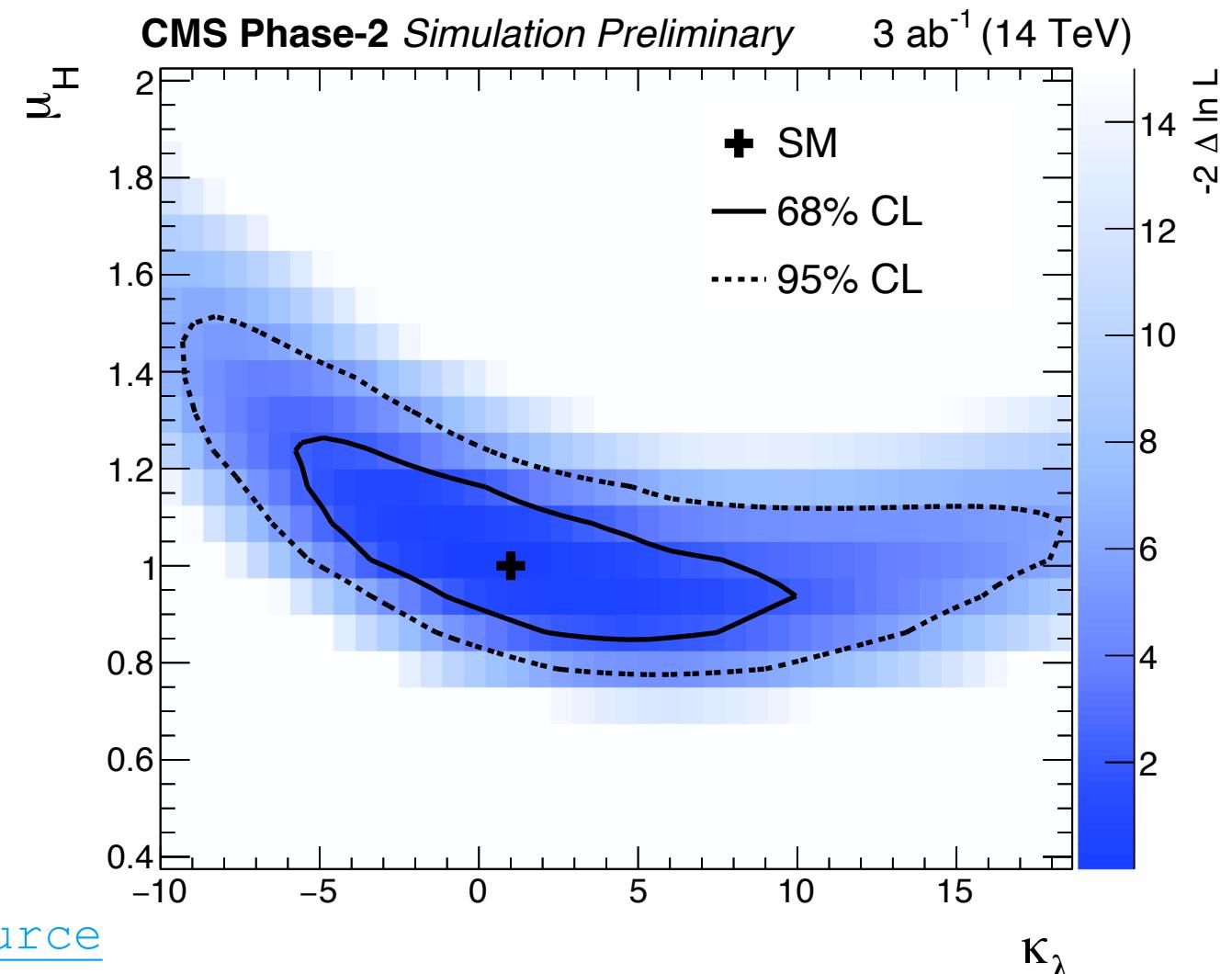
$HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$

- $b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$  final state **among most sensitive**
- Upper limit @ 95% CL =  $1.09 \times \text{SM}$
- **Significance of HH signal  $1.85\sigma$**



⇒ **x7 improvement compared to Run2**

- $\lambda_{HHH}$  constraints from  $t\bar{t}H + tH$
- Radiative corrections to  $t\bar{t}H$  and  $tH$  are **indirect probe for  $\lambda_{HHH}$**
  - Both **inclusive and differential  $\sigma(t\bar{t}H/tH)$**



⇒ **would be the first ever measurement of this kind**

# ...with double- $\tau$ trigger algorithms

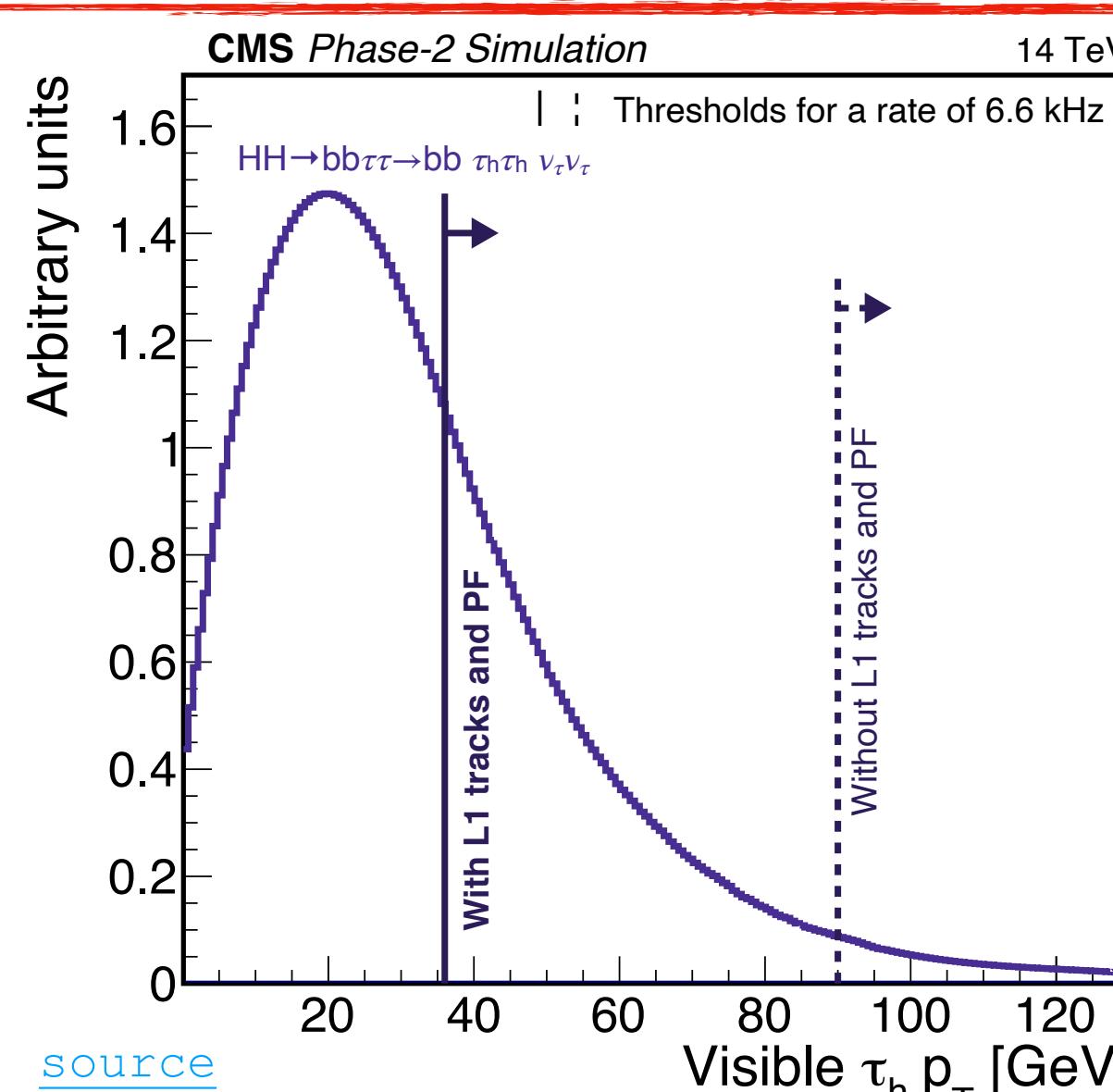
## Preserving Phase-1 tau L1-thresholds with track information

Tau candidates are reconstructed at L1 Trigger with three different algorithm:

- \* **tower-based algorithm** → reconstructs and isolates taus using rectangular and square mask over calorimeter towers
- \* **HGCAL-based algorithm** → relies on multiple BDTs for the tasks of pileup rejection,  $\tau$  recognition, and isolation
- \* **tracker+calo algorithm** → matches the calorimeter deposits with the tracks of the hadronic decay products

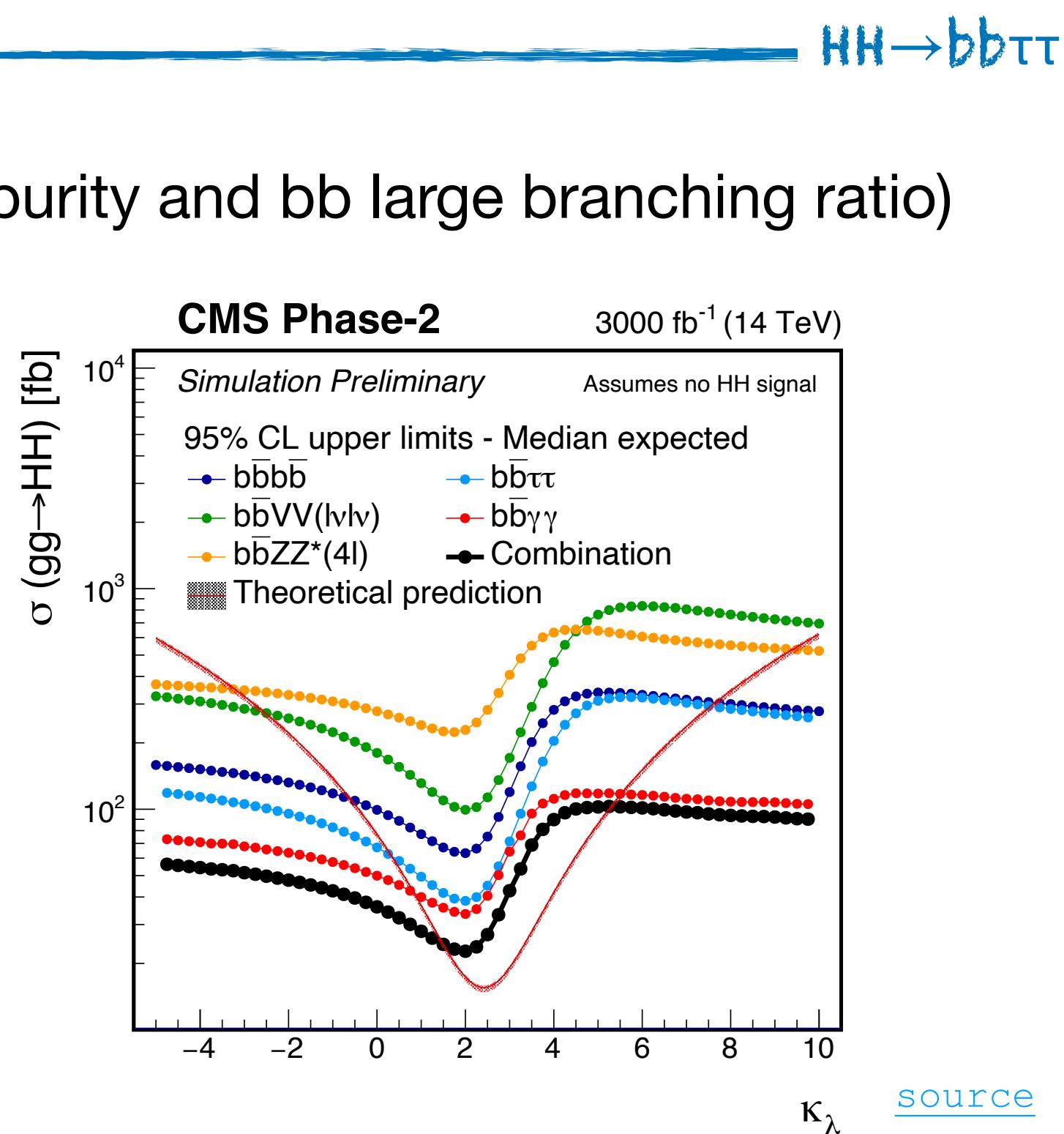
**Using the tracks at L1 Trigger guarantees to set thresholds on tau as low as those used during Phase-1**

The HGCAL-based algorithm complements the tracker-based algorithm to extend the coverage to  $\eta < 3$



- **$b\bar{b}\tau\tau$  among most sensible final states** (thanks to  $\tau\tau$  purity and  $b\bar{b}$  large branching ratio)
- **Pseudorapidity coverage extension central for increasing acceptance**
- Upper limit @ 95% CL = **1.4 x SM**
- Significance of HH signal **1.4 $\sigma$**

⇒ **x30 improvement compared to 2016**  
(Run2 results not public yet)



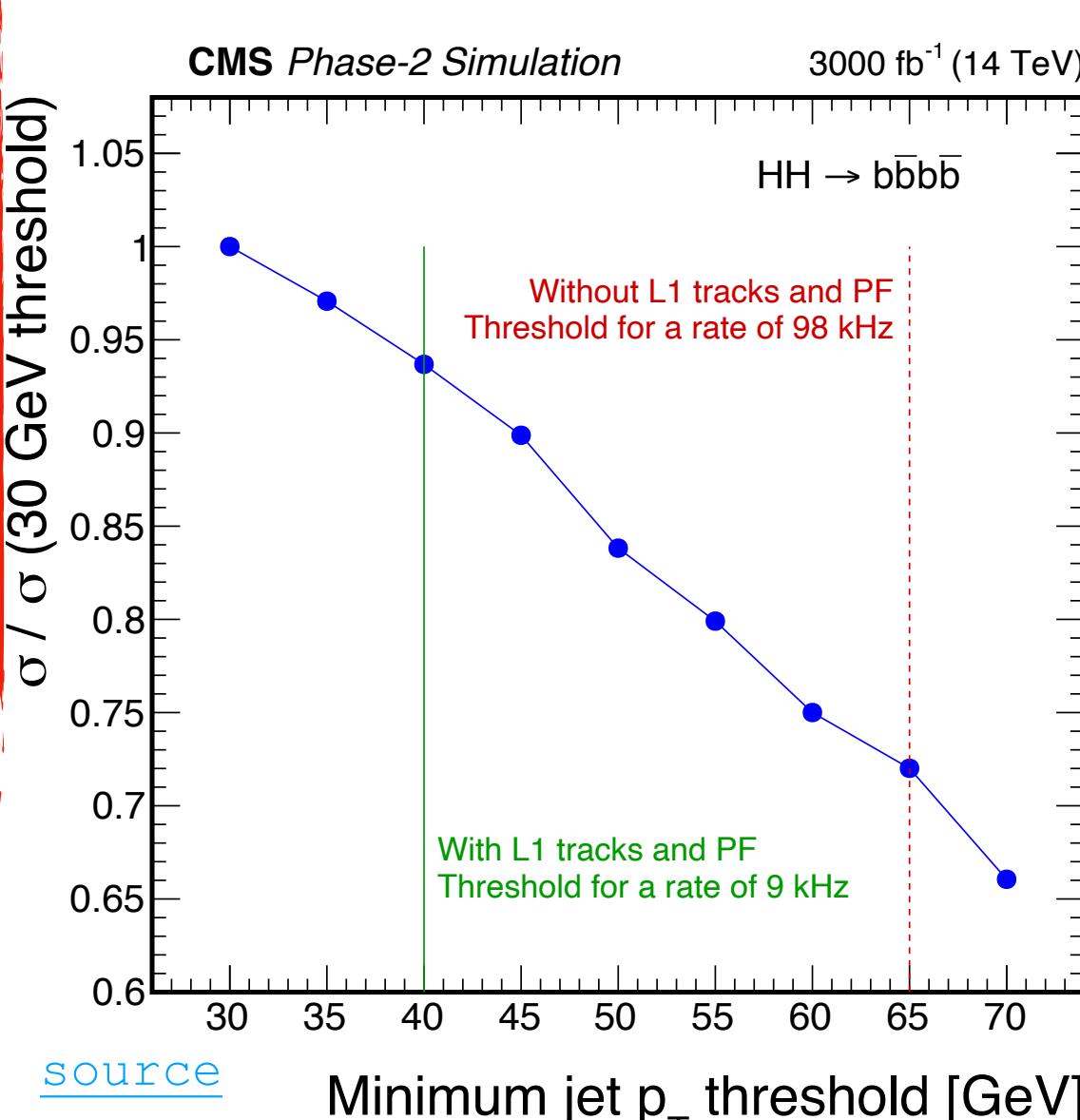
# ...with multi-jet trigger algorithms

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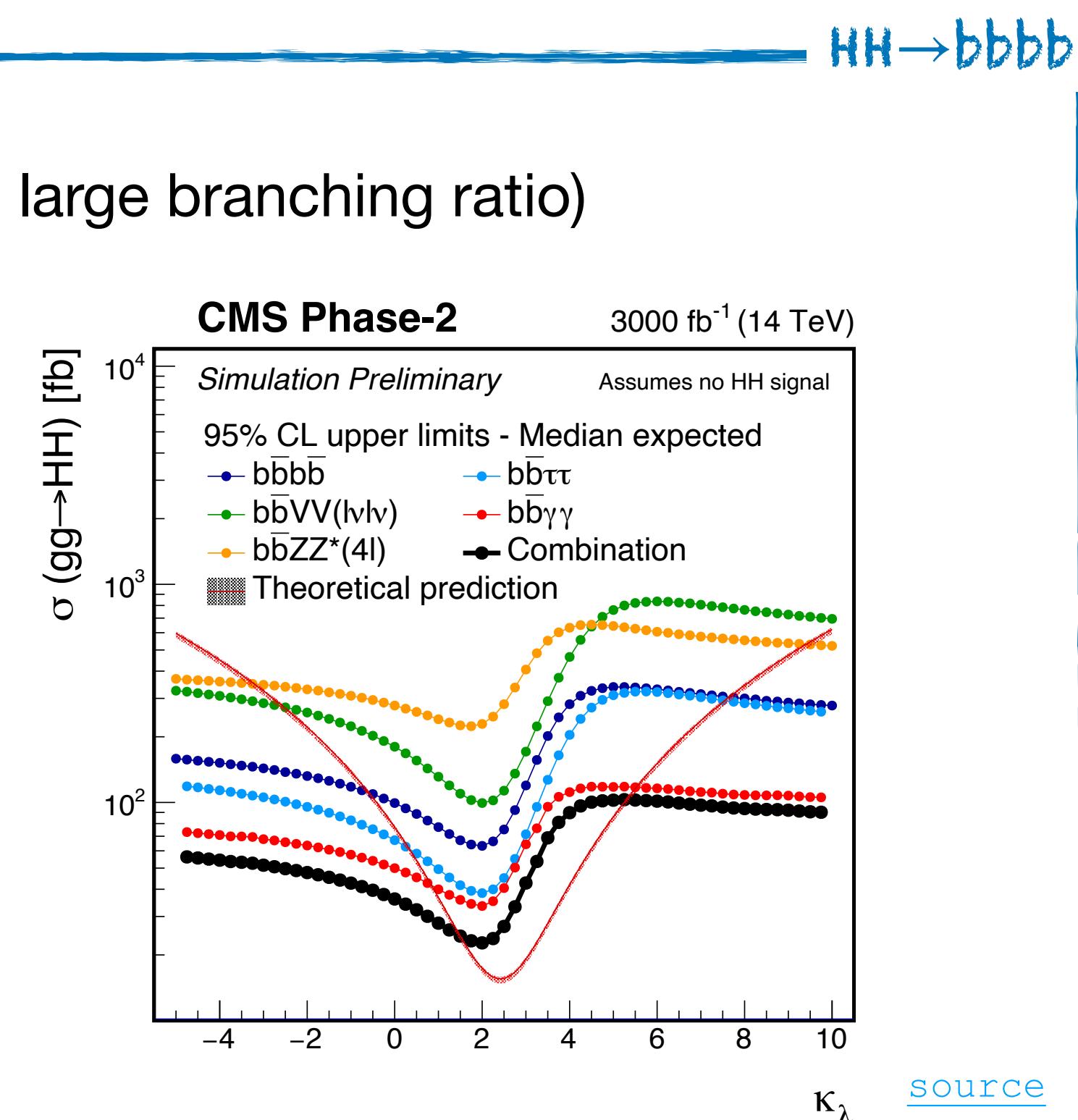
- \* **calorimeter-based algorithm** → builds jets using rectangular and square mask over calorimeter towers
- \* **track-based algorithm** → builds jets based on tracks and clusters them with a nearest-neighbour approach
- \* **particle-flow algorithm** → builds jets based on PUPPI candidates ([slide 16](#)) and clusters them with fixed dimension windows

## Using the tracks at L1 Trigger guarantees to set thresholds on jets as low as those used during Phase-1



- **bbbb among most sensible final states** (thanks bbbb large branching ratio)  
→ suffers from very large multi-jet background
- **Pseudorapidity coverage extension central for increasing acceptance**
- Upper limit @ 95% CL = **2.1 x SM**
- Significance of HH signal **0.95σ**

⇒ **x3.5 improvement compared to Run2**



# Extending the physics reach...

...with tracking at Level-1 trigger  
...with extended  $\eta$  coverage  
...with displaced objects  
...with ML-based trigger algorithms

# ...with tracking at Level-1 trigger

## First ever inclusion of track information at L1 Trigger

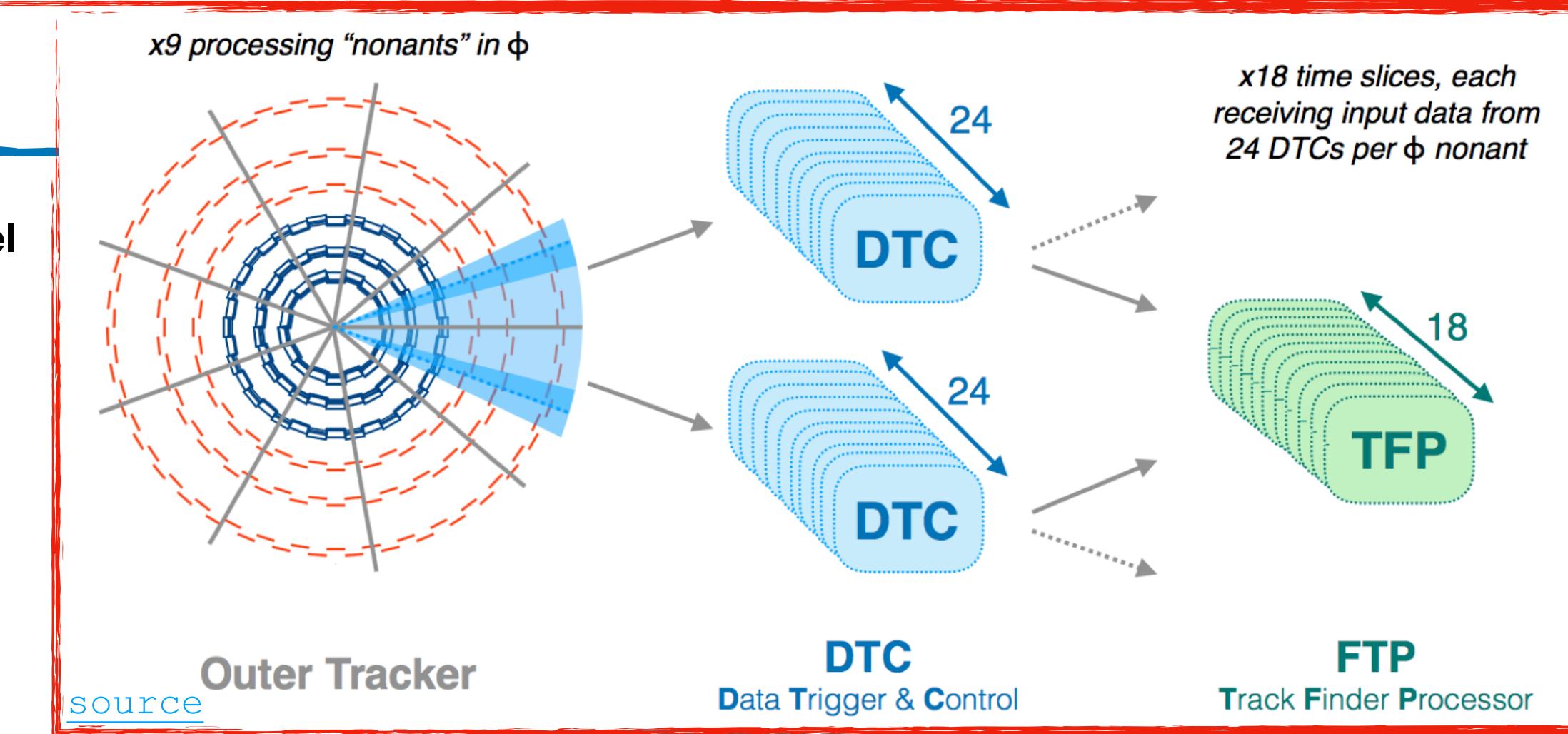
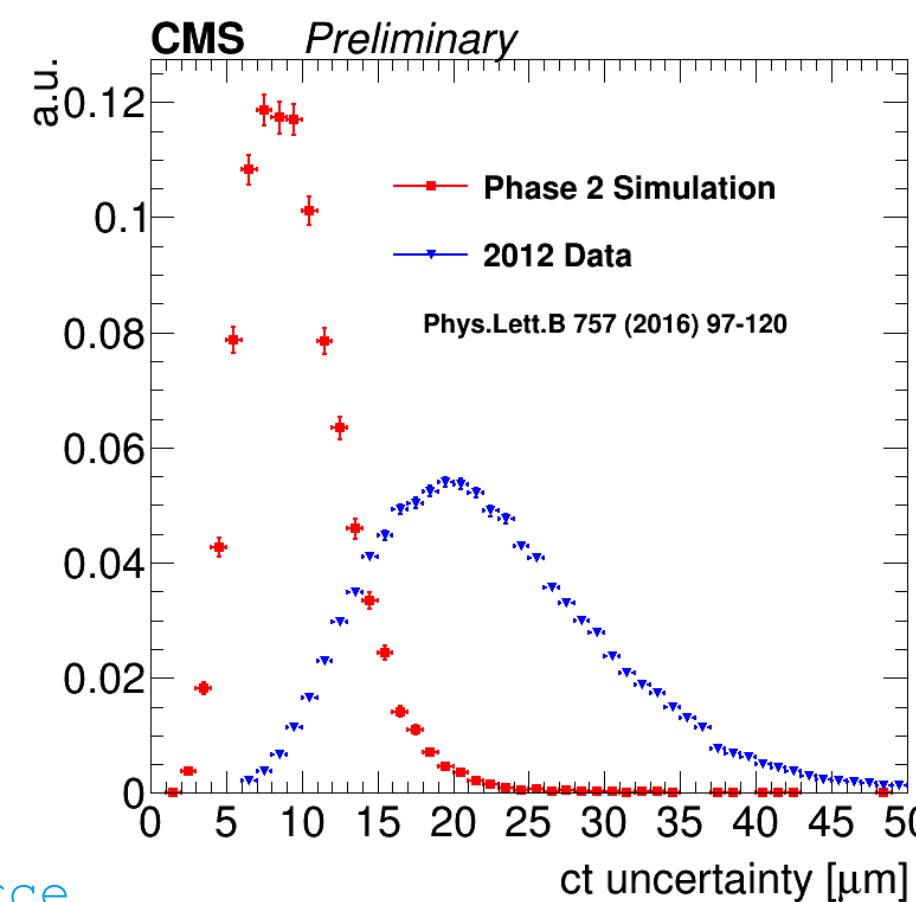
Using the **full outer tracker ( $\eta < 2.4$ ) volume** and a **time-multiplexed architecture (x18)**, the Track Trigger gives the ability to reconstruct charged particle tracks at the 40 MHz collision rate.

In combination with the **Correlator Trigger** gives the possibility to precisely reconstruct **primary and secondary vertexes** per each collision.

**Using the L1 Track trigger guarantees to obtain unprecedented trigger capabilities**

### B physics and CP violation

- $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \phi(1020)$  CP violation golden channel
- Amazing  $ct$  resolution reachable with Phase2 tracker
- Expected uncertainty on CP-violating phase  $\phi_s \sim 5\text{-}6$  mrad



### $\tau \rightarrow \mu\mu\mu$ lepton flavour violation

- No known symmetries strictly forbid **lepton-flavor violating (LFV) decays**
- At the LHC, the  $\tau \rightarrow \mu\mu\mu$  decay is one of the “**cleanest**” LFV decay channels
- $\approx 10^{15}$   $\tau$  leptons will be produced at HL-LHC

- Main source from  $D_s \rightarrow \tau\nu$ 
  - ⇒ very low momentum  $\tau$ 's and  $\mu$ 's ( $\sim 1.3\%$  have  $p > 2.5$  GeV)
  - ⇒ tracker necessary to retrieve at L1 the muons that do not reach the muon chambers

# ...with extended $\eta$ coverage

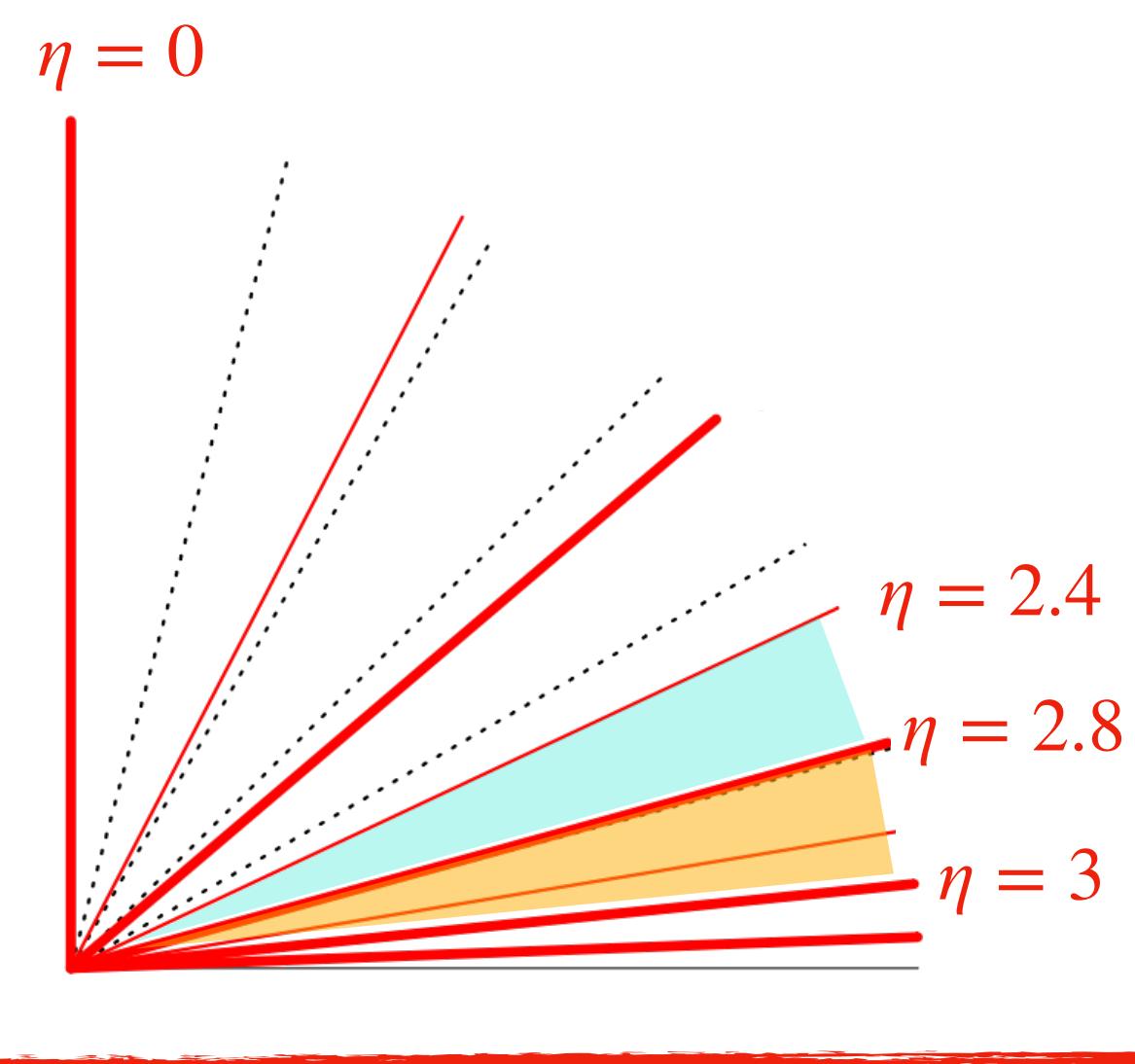
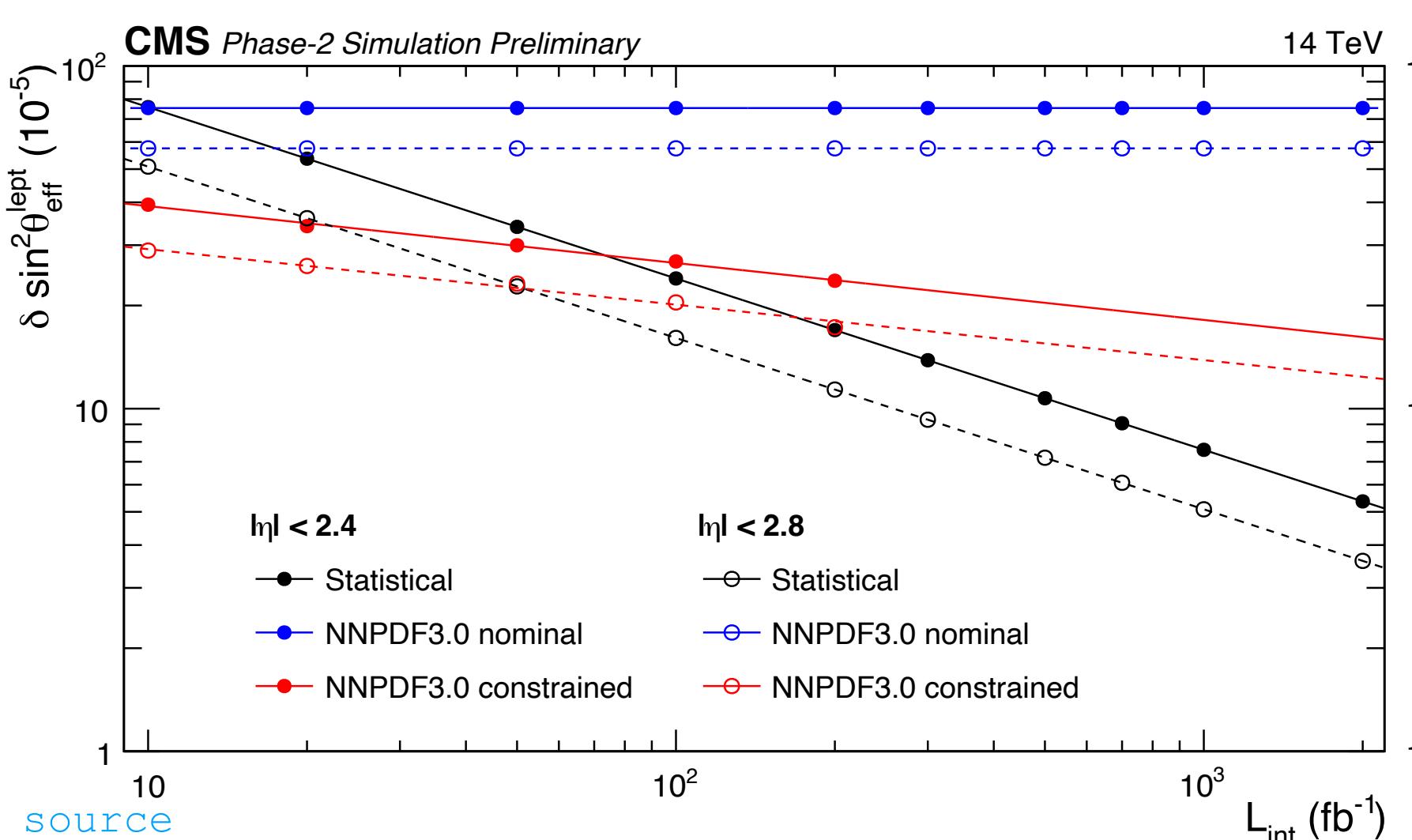
## Extended pseudorapidity acceptance

The L1 pseudorapidity coverage is increased thanks to:

- \* the upgraded **endcap  $\mu$  detectors** ( $|\eta| < 2.8$ )
- \* the upgraded **endcap calorimeters** ( $|\eta| < 3$ )

## Weak mixing angle measurement

- Part of the **precision measurements program of the HL-LHC**
- Done using the using **forward-backward asymmetry**
- Primary channel is **Drell-Yan decaying to  $\mu\mu$**
- $\eta$  extension decreases statistical uncertainties by ~30% and PDF by ~20%

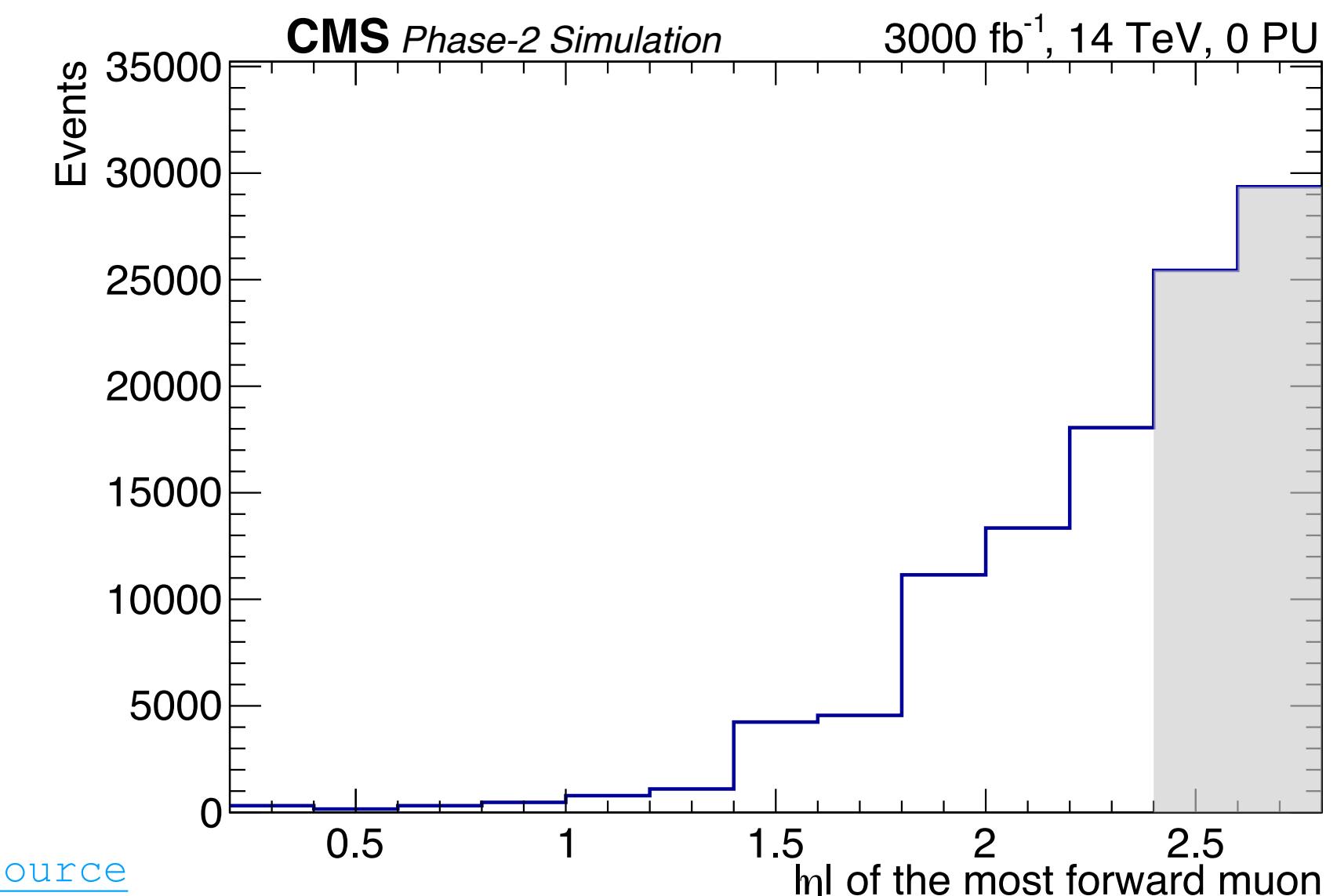


## $\tau \rightarrow \mu\mu\mu$ lepton flavour violation

- Main source **from  $D_s \rightarrow \tau\nu$**

⇒ **highly forward boosted  $\tau$**

⇒ **extended  $\eta$  coverage will allow to drastically increase statistics**



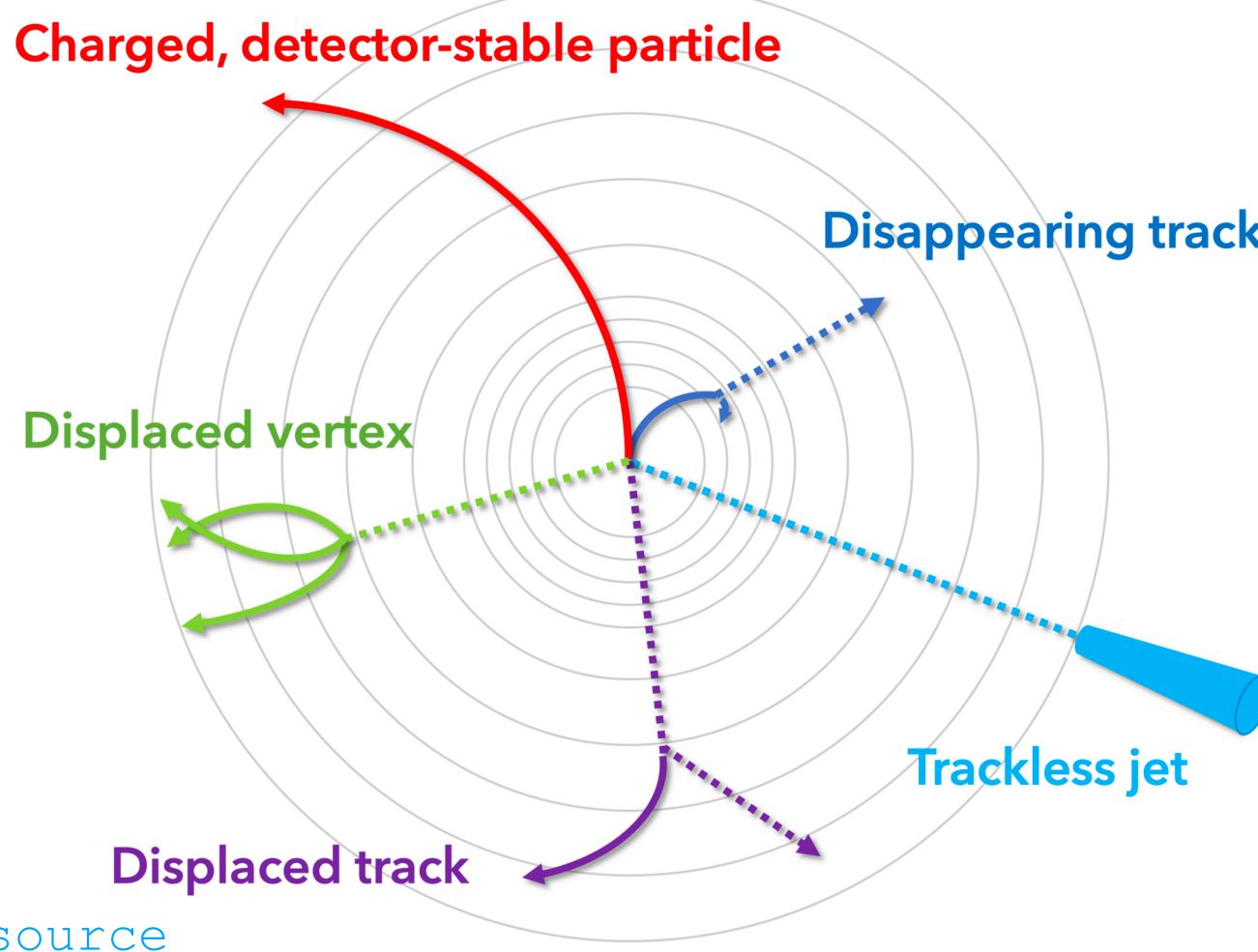
# ...with displaced objects

Extending displaced object capabilities w/ track information

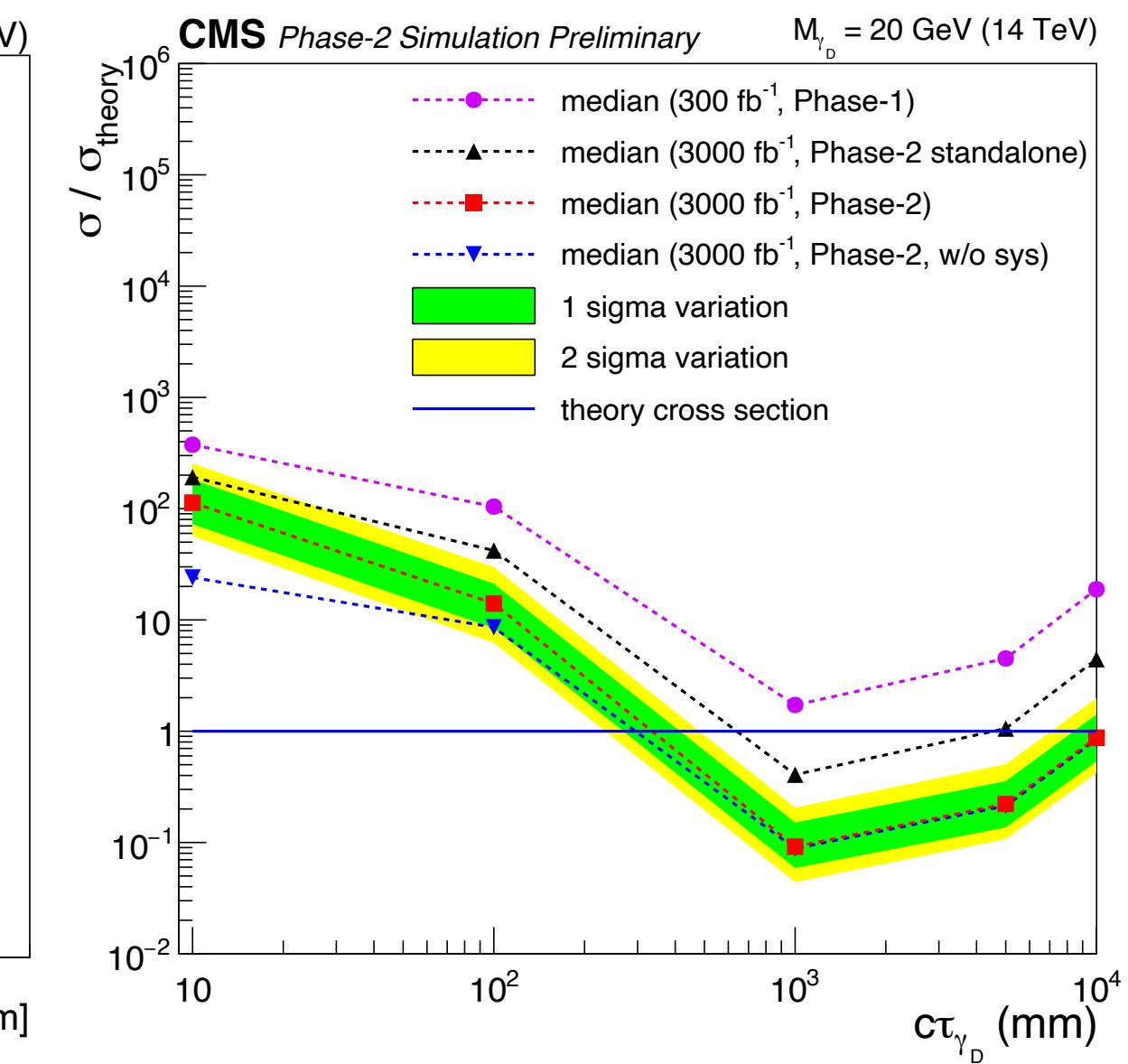
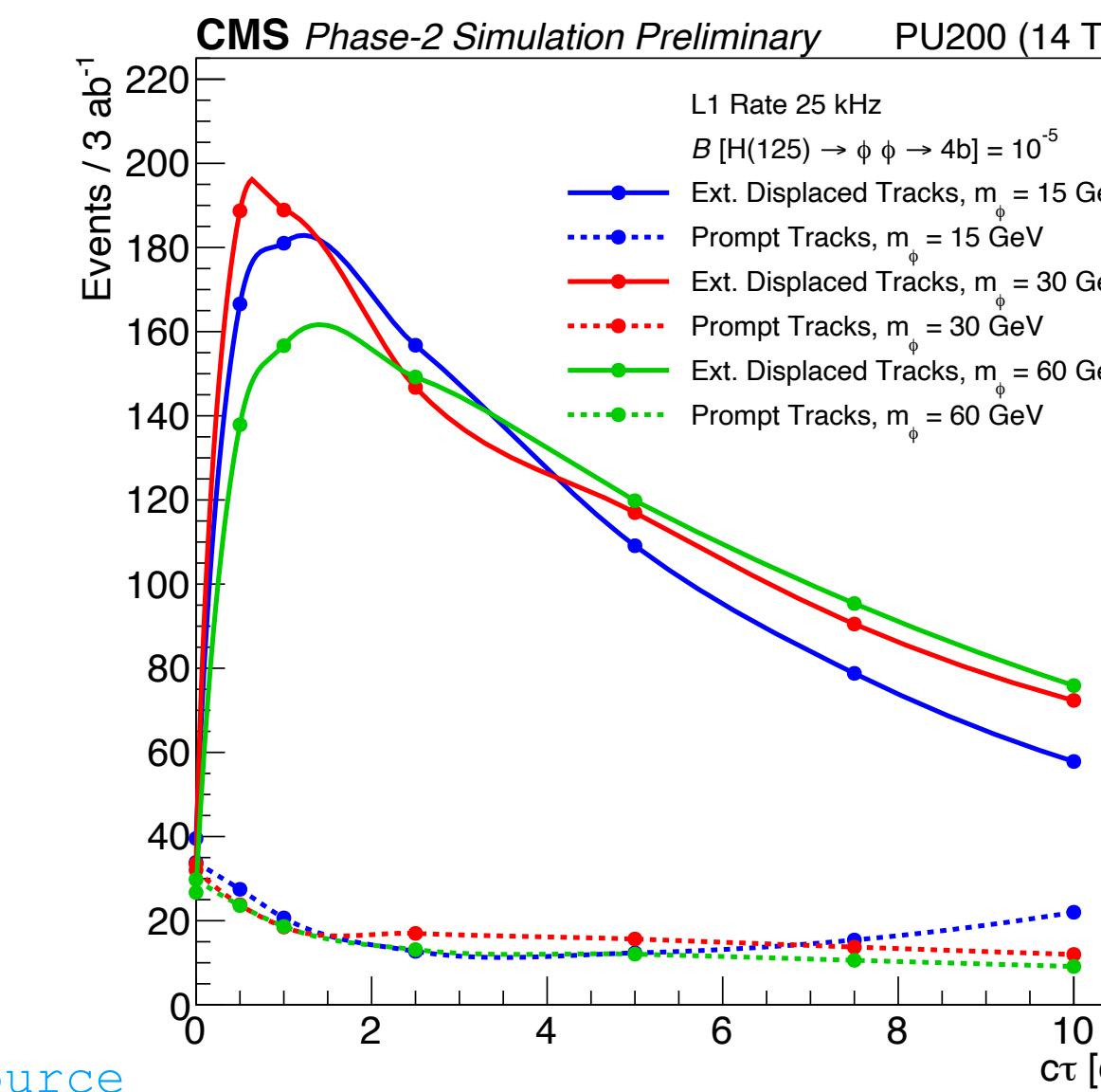
Displaced objects reconstructed through:

- \* **Track Trigger** reconstructing tracks while removing interaction point constraint
- \* **Correlator Trigger** reconstructing secondary vertexes
- \* **Timing information** from the barrel

This Guarantees unprecedented capabilities in term of displace objects algorithms implementation



- Long-lived particles searches*
- Growing class of new physics models predicts **long-lived particles (LLPs)**
  - Signature with emergence of **SM particles at a large distance from the collision point**

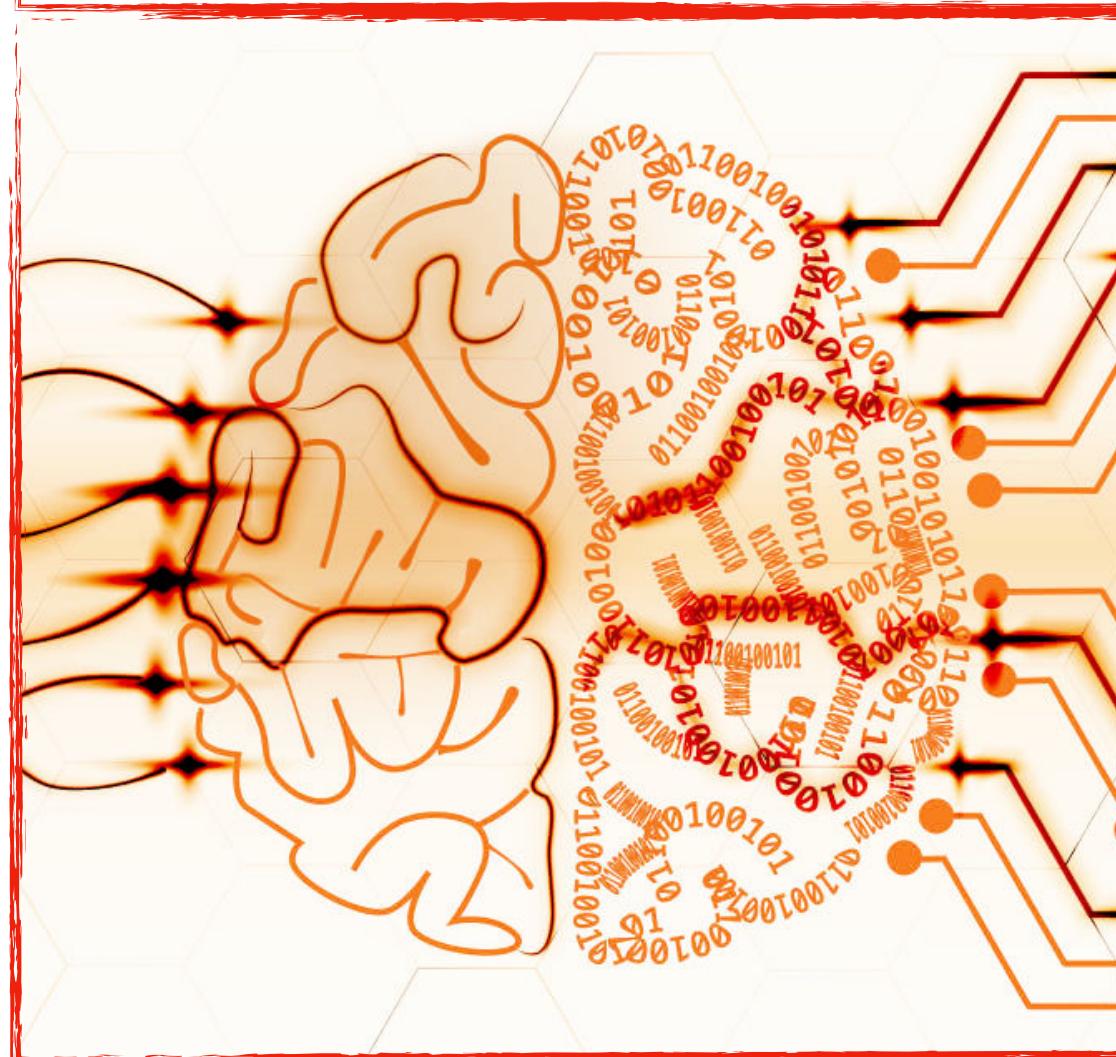


⇒ **unprecedented acceptance of displaced topology objects**

# ...with ML-based trigger algorithms

## Using advanced Machine Learning technique at L1 Trigger

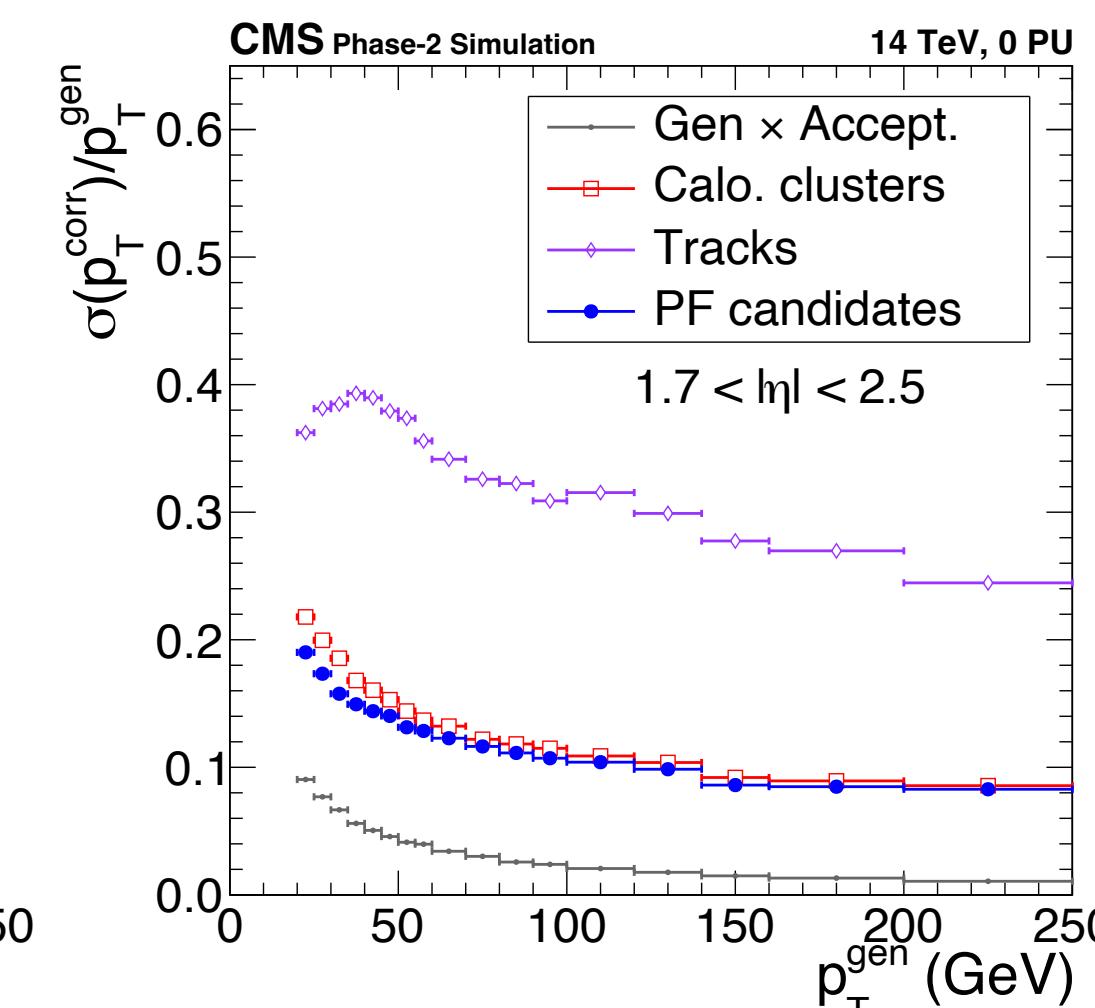
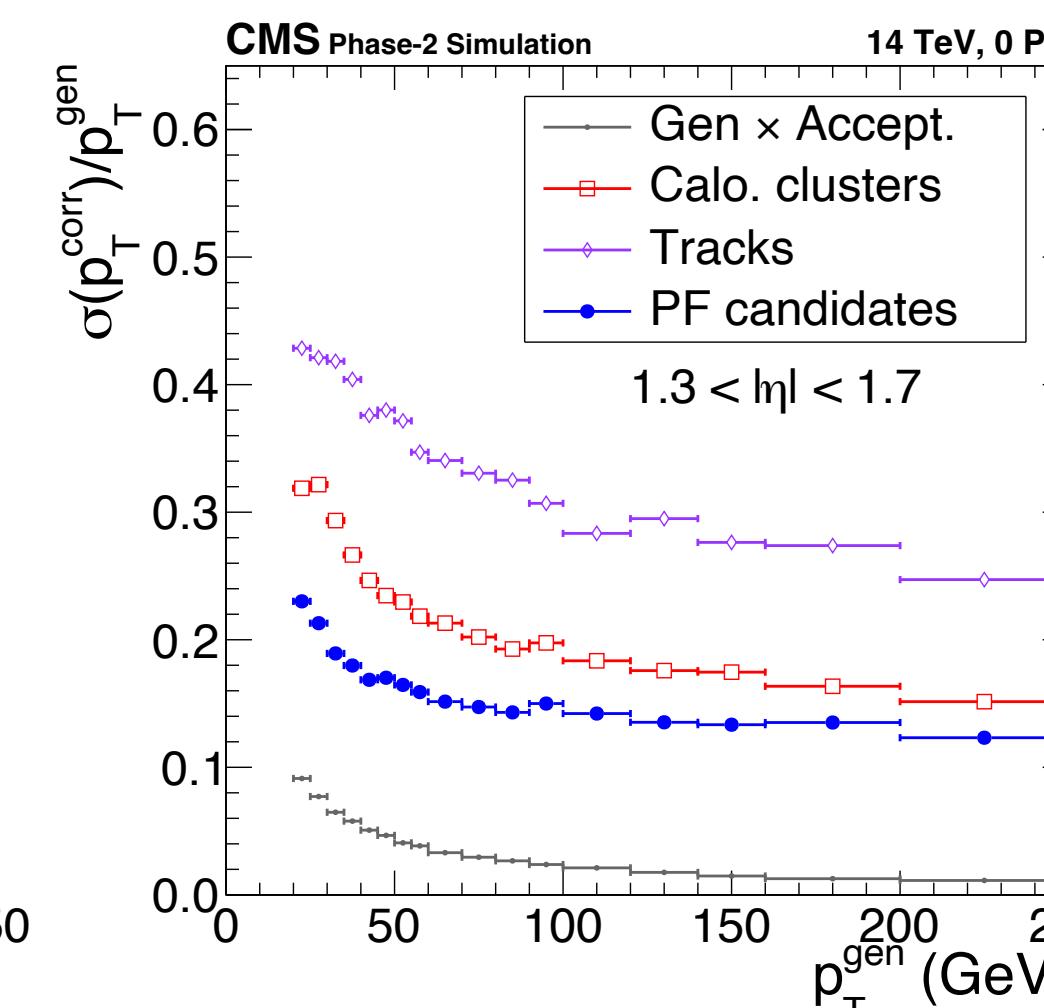
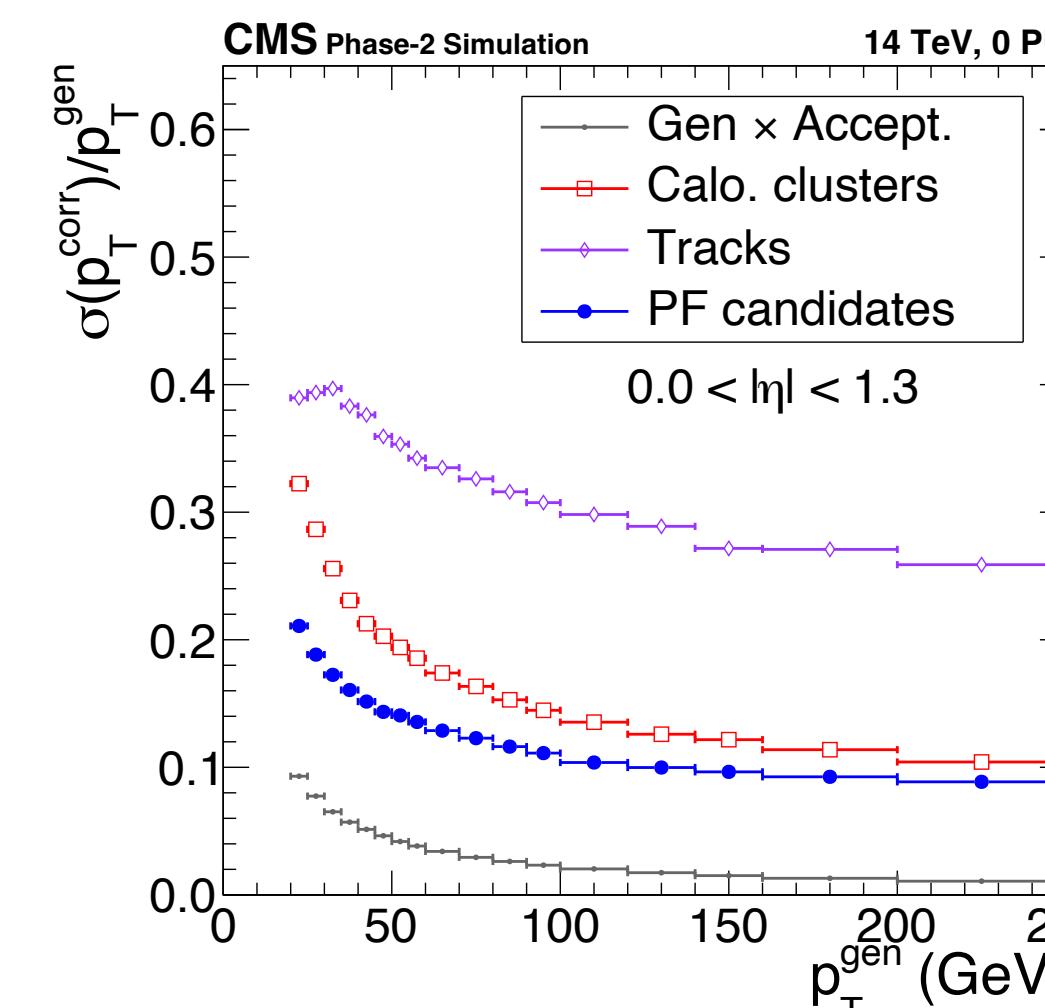
The many hardware improvements of the Phase-2 L1 Trigger architecture give the possibility to **implement ML techniques (DNNs, BDTs, etc)** to perform fast but precise real-time event reconstruction



### PUPPI algorithm (as a representative of many algorithms)

- The Pileup Per Particle Identification (**PUPPI**) is based on a **Neural Network using the particle-flow approach** (it originated from an offline tool redesigned to fit trigger requirements)
- The Phase 2 upgrade ensures the possibility of **implementing such an algorithm inside the L1 trigger FPGAs boards**
- PUPPI relies on the use of **vertexing to reduce the contribution of pileup at the particle level**

⇒ **unprecedented possibilities coming from ML implementability at L1 trigger level**

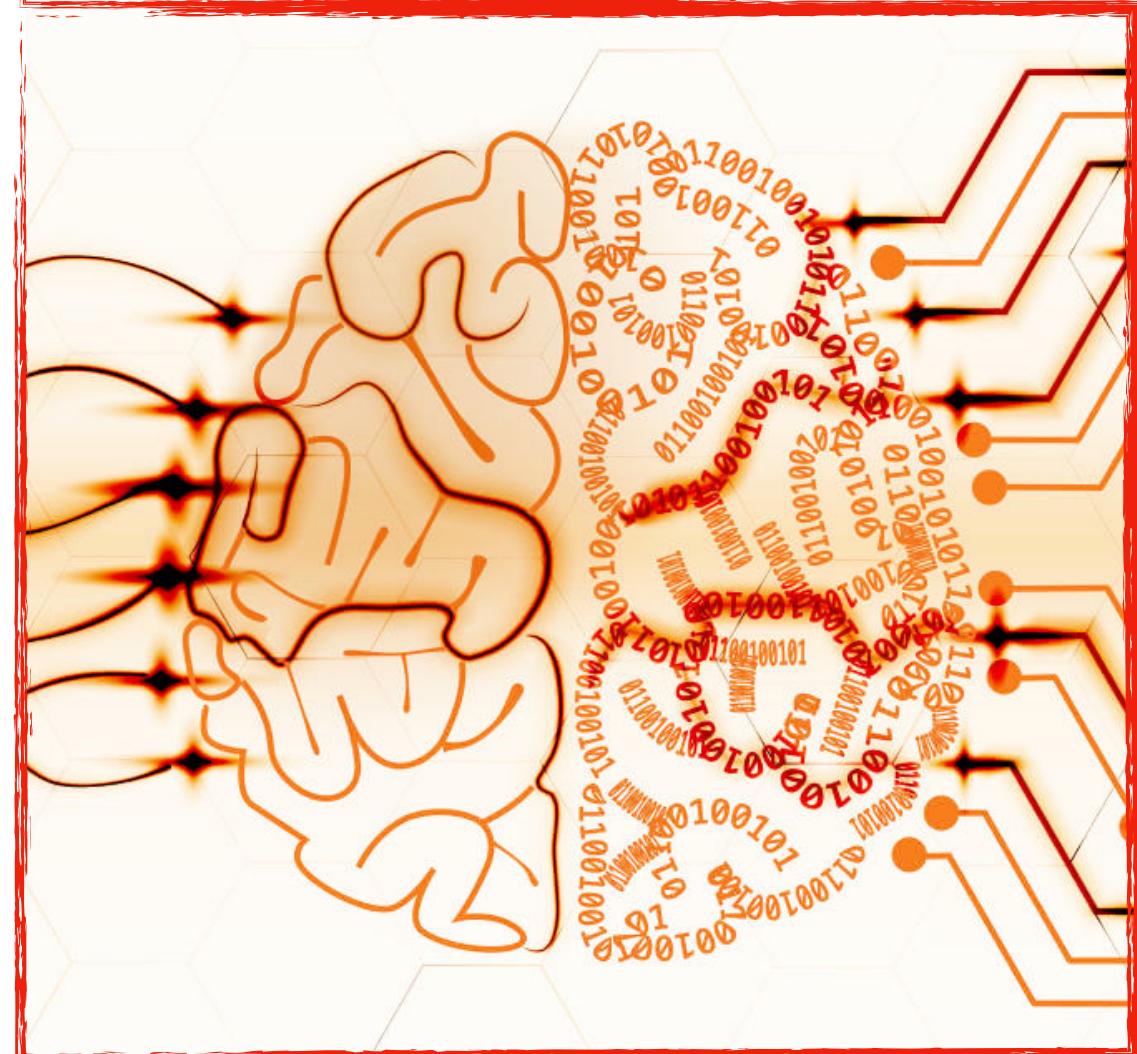


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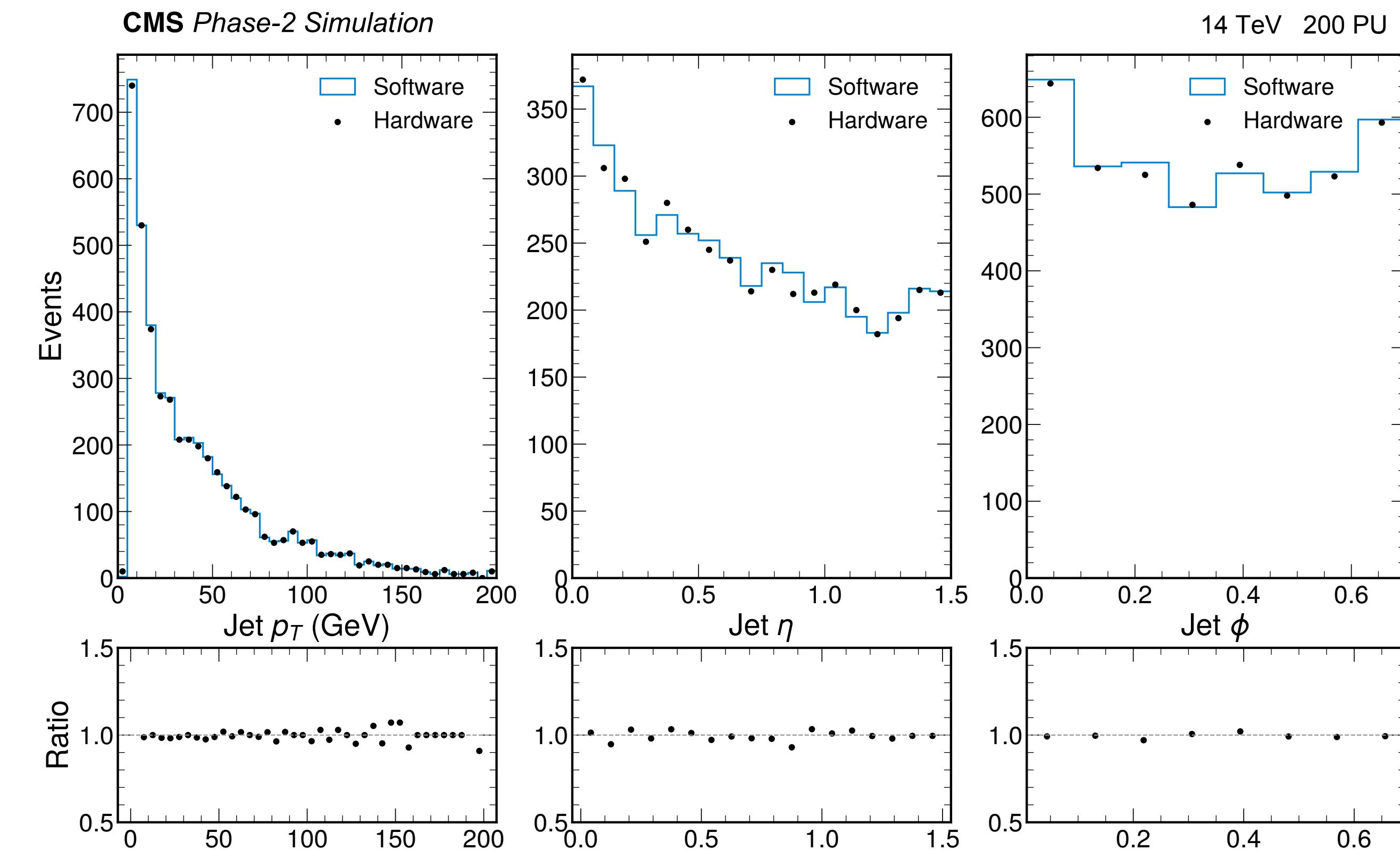
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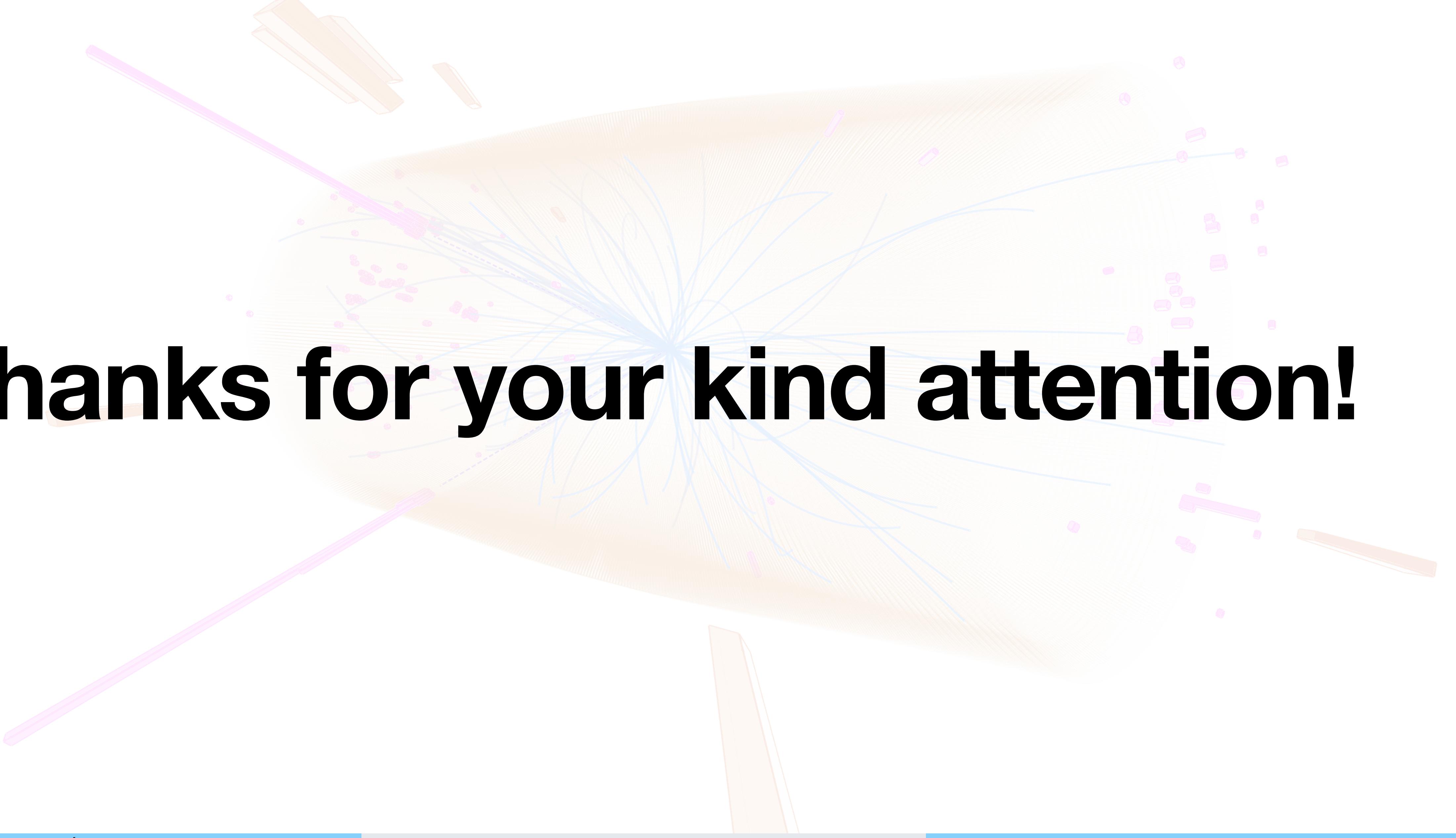
⇒ almost perfect (98%) match between hardware demonstration and software emulation

# Conclusions and outlook

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- HL-LHC will pose big challenges for CMS experiment ⇒ **experiment wide upgrade**, both hardware and software
- Today we focused on the **Phase-2 Level-1 Trigger upgrade** and we saw:
  - \* **L1 trigger main hardware features...**
    - ...high speed links
    - ...state-of-the-art FPGAs
  - \* **Preserve the discovery potential...**
    - ...with single-lepton trigger algorithms
    - ...with double-γ trigger algorithms
    - ...with double-τ trigger algorithms
    - ...with multi-jet trigger algorithms
  - \* **L1 trigger architecture main upgrades...**
    - ...inclusion of the Track Trigger
    - ...the new Correlator Trigger
  - \* **Extend the physics reach...**
    - ...with tracking at Level-1 trigger
    - ...with extended η coverage
    - ...with displaced objects
    - ...with ML-based trigger algorithms
- All analyses that can be envisaged will benefit from the Phase-2 L1 trigger
- The prospects for the full Phase-2 dataset analyses foresee **very large improvements** in their results
- During the coming years the **L1 Trigger Team** will keep on pushing the boundaries of triggering at CMS and will **continue** in the **hardware demonstration of the trigger algorithms** (**many demonstrations already done!!**)...

...till our adventures will lead us ***Through the Looking-Glass***

A complex simulation visualization of particle interactions in the CMS detector. It features several thick, colored tracks (pink, blue, orange) representing primary particles or their decay products. These tracks pass through a dense, multi-layered structure of smaller, semi-transparent colored rectangles and lines, representing the detector's internal components like calorimeters and muon chambers. The overall effect is a dynamic, multi-colored explosion or interaction point.

**Thanks for your kind attention!**

# **BACKUP**

source of everything hereafter

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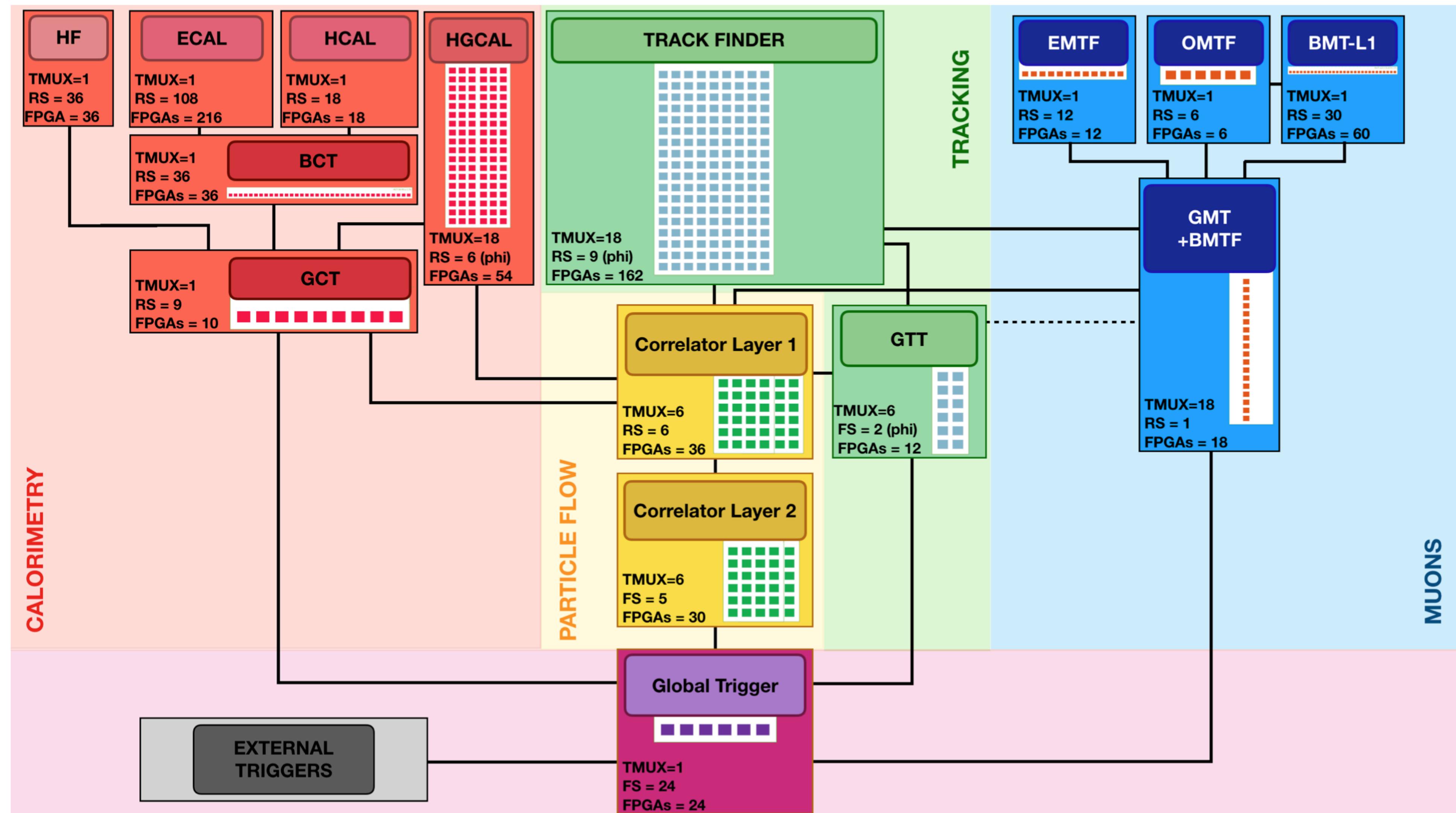
## L1 Trigger menu

L1 Trigger seeds	Offline Threshold(s) at 90% or 95% (50%) [ GeV ]	Rate $\langle PU \rangle = 200$ [kHz]	Additional Requirement(s)	Objects plateau efficiency [%]
<b>Single/Double/Triple Lepton (electron, muon) seeds</b>				
Single TkMuon	22	12	$ \eta  < 2.4$	95
Double TkMuon	15,7	1	$ \eta  < 2.4, \Delta z < 1$	95
Triple TkMuon	5,3,3	16	$ \eta  < 2.4, \Delta z < 1$	95
Single TkElectron	36	24	$ \eta  < 2.4$	93
Single TkIsoElectron	28	28	$ \eta  < 2.4$	93
TkIsoElectron-StaEG	22, 12	36	$ \eta  < 2.4$	93, 99
Double TkElectron	25, 12	4	$ \eta  < 2.4$	93
Single StaEG	51	25	$ \eta  < 2.4$	99
Double StaEG	37,24	5	$ \eta  < 2.4$	99
<b>Photon seeds</b>				
Single TkIsoPhoton	36	43	$ \eta  < 2.4$	97
Double TkIsoPhoton	22, 12	50	$ \eta  < 2.4$	97
<b>Taus seeds</b>				
Single CaloTau	150(119)	21	$ \eta  < 2.1$	99
Double CaloTau	90,90(69,69)	25	$ \eta  < 2.1, \Delta R > 0.5$	99
Double PuppiTau	52,52(36,36)	7	$ \eta  < 2.1, \Delta R > 0.5$	90
<b>Hadronic seeds (jets, <math>H_T</math>)</b>				
Single PuppiJet	180	70	$ \eta  < 2.4$	100
Double PuppiJet	112,112	71	$ \eta  < 2.4, \Delta\eta < 1.6$	100
Puppi $H_T$	450(377)	11	jets: $ \eta  < 2.4, p_T > 30$	100
QuadPuppiJets-Puppi $H_T$	70,55,40,40,400(328)	9	jets: $ \eta  < 2.4, p_T > 30$	100,100
<b><math>E_T^{\text{miss}}</math> seeds</b>				
Puppi $E_T^{\text{miss}}$	200(128)	18		100
<b>Cross Lepton seeds</b>				
TkMuon-TkIsoElectron	7,20	1	$ \eta  < 2.4, \Delta z < 1$	95, 93
TkMuon-TkElectron	7,23	3	$ \eta  < 2.4, \Delta z < 1$	95, 93
TkElectron-TkMuon	10,20	1	$ \eta  < 2.4, \Delta z < 1$	93, 95
TkMuon-DoubleTkElectron	6,17,17	0.1	$ \eta  < 2.4, \Delta z < 1$	95, 93
DoubleTkMuon-TkElectron	5,5,9	4	$ \eta  < 2.4, \Delta z < 1$	95, 93
PuppiTau-TkMuon	36(27),18	2	$ \eta  < 2.1, \Delta z < 1$	90, 95
TkIsoElectron-PuppiTau	22,39(29)	13	$ \eta  < 2.1, \Delta z < 1$ $\Delta R > 0.3$	93, 90

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<b>Cross Hadronic-Lepton seeds</b>				
TkMuon-Puppi $H_T$	6,320(250)	4	$ \eta  < 2.4, \Delta z < 1$	95,100
TkMuon-DoublePuppiJet	12,40,40	10	$ \eta  < 2.4, \Delta R_{j\mu} < 0.4,$ $\Delta\eta_{jj} < 1.6, \Delta z < 1$	95,100
TkMuon-PuppiJet-Puppi $E_T^{\text{miss}}$	3,100,120(55)	14	$ \eta  < 1.5,  \eta  < 2.4,$ $\Delta z < 1$	95,100, 100
DoubleTkMuon-PuppiJet-Puppi $E_T^{\text{miss}}$	3,3,60,130(64)	4	$ \eta  < 2.4, \Delta z < 1$	95,100, 100
DoubleTkMuon-Puppi $H_T$	3,3,300(231)	2	$ \eta  < 2.4, \Delta z < 1$	95,100
DoubleTkElectron-Puppi $H_T$	10,10,400(328)	0.9	$ \eta  < 2.4, \Delta z < 1$	93,100
TkIsoElectron-Puppi $H_T$	26,190(124)	9	$ \eta  < 2.4, \Delta z < 1$	93,100
TkElectron-PuppiJet	28,40	34	$ \eta  < 2.1,  \eta  < 2.4,$ $\Delta R > 0.3, \Delta z < 1$	93,100
PuppiTau-Puppi $E_T^{\text{miss}}$	55(38),190(118)	4	$ \eta  < 2.1$	90,100
<b>VBF seeds</b>				
Double PuppiJets	160,35	40	$ \eta  < 5, m_{jj} > 620$	100
<b>B-physics seeds</b>				
Double TkMuon	2,2	12	$ \eta  < 1.5, \Delta R < 1.4,$ $q_1 * q_2 < 0, \Delta z < 1$	95
Double TkMuon	4,4	21	$ \eta  < 2.4, \Delta R < 1.2$ $q_1 * q_2 < 0, \Delta z < 1$	95
Double TkMuon	4.5,4	10	$ \eta  < 2.0, 7 < m_{\mu\mu} < 18,$ $q_1 * q_2 < 0, \Delta z < 1$	95
Triple TkMuon	5,3,2	7	$0 < m_{\mu 5\mu 3,q_1+q_2<0} < 9$ $ \eta  < 2.4, \Delta z < 1$	95
Triple TkMuon	5,3,2.5	6	$5 < m_{\mu 5\mu 2.5,q_1+q_2<0} < 17$ $ \eta  < 2.4, \Delta z < 1$	95
<b>Rate for above Trigger seeds</b>				
<b>Total Level-1 Menu Rate (+30%)</b>				

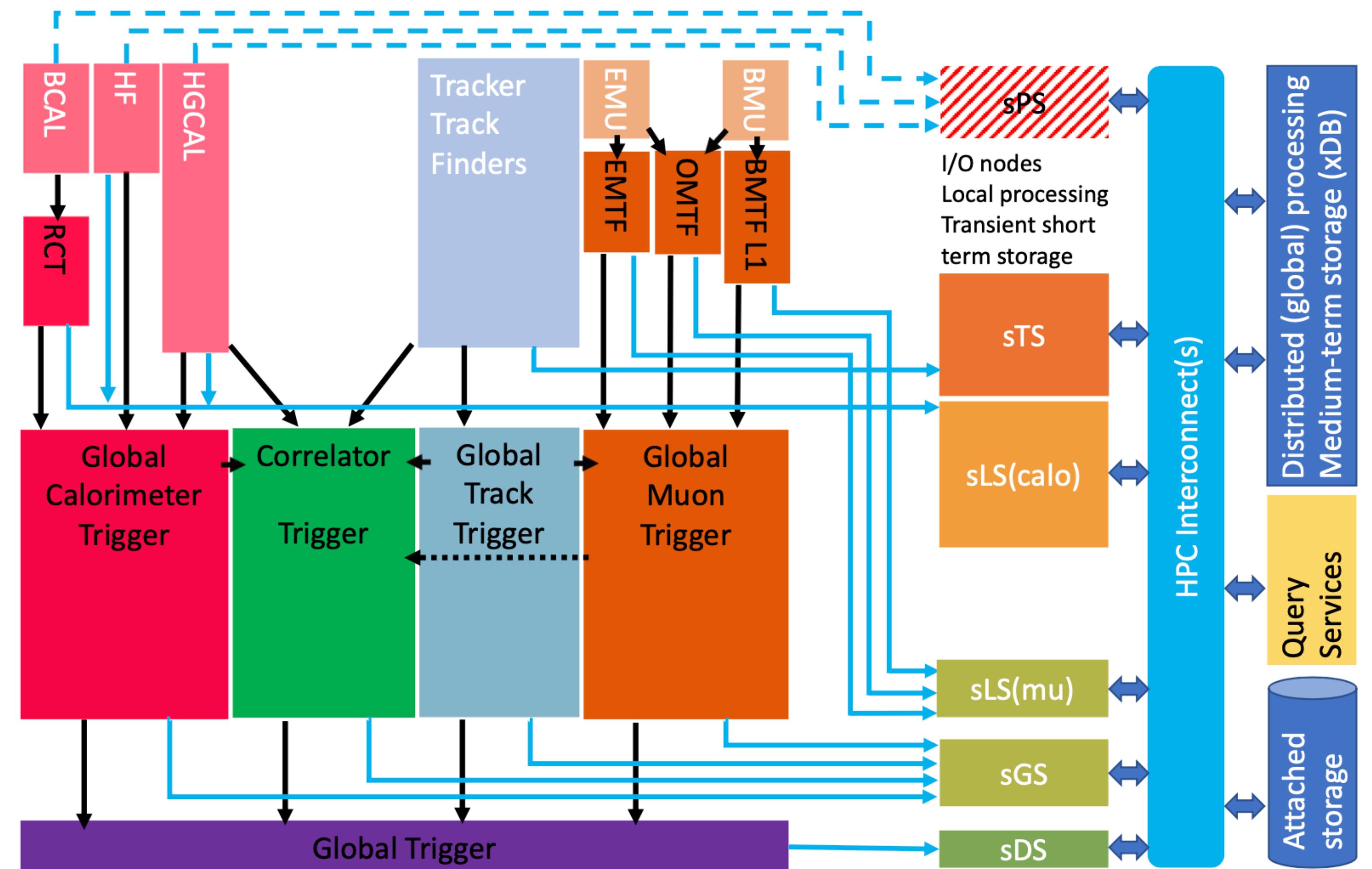
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## L1 trigger architecture



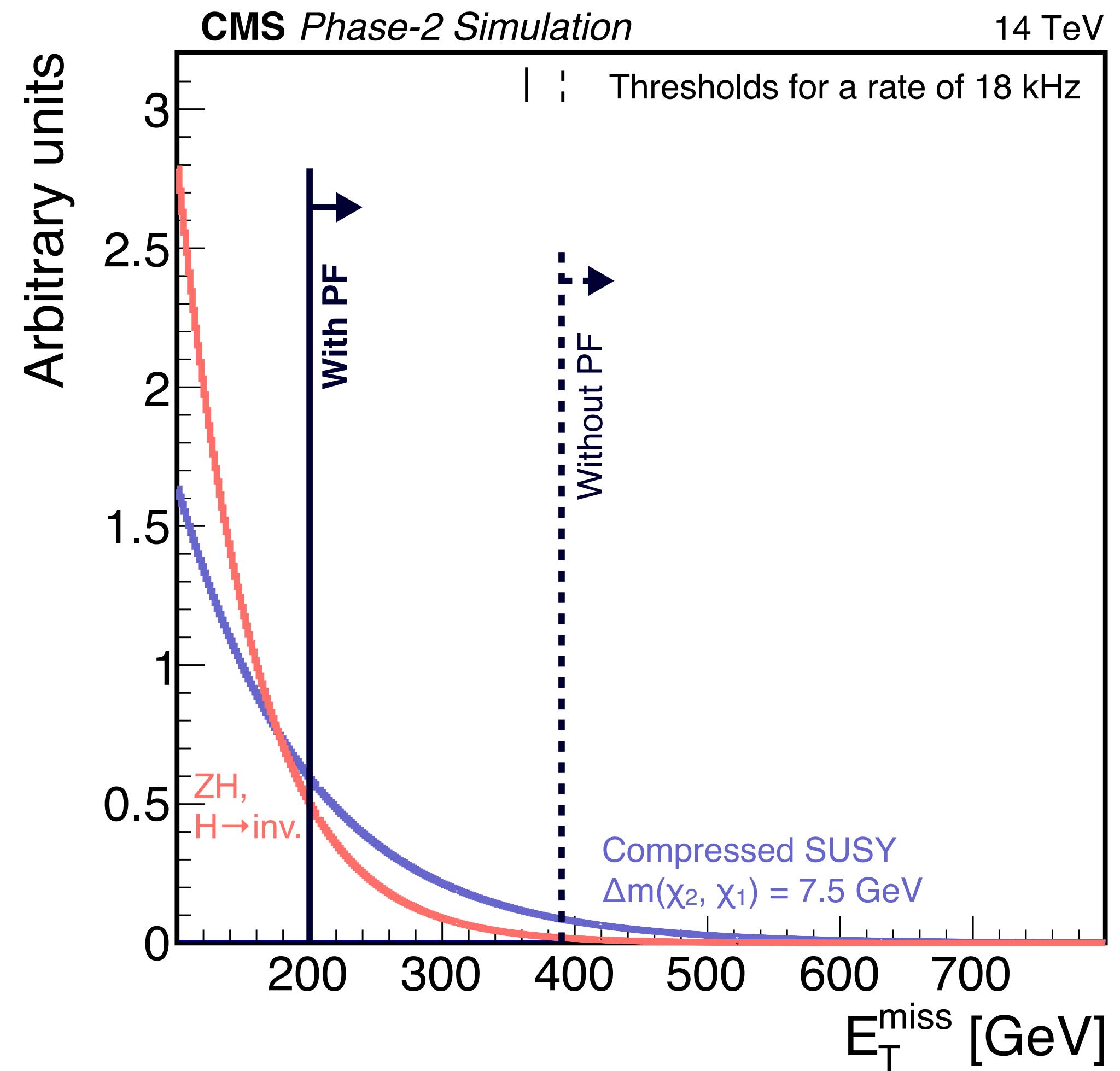
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## L1 trigger architecture w/ 40MHz scouting



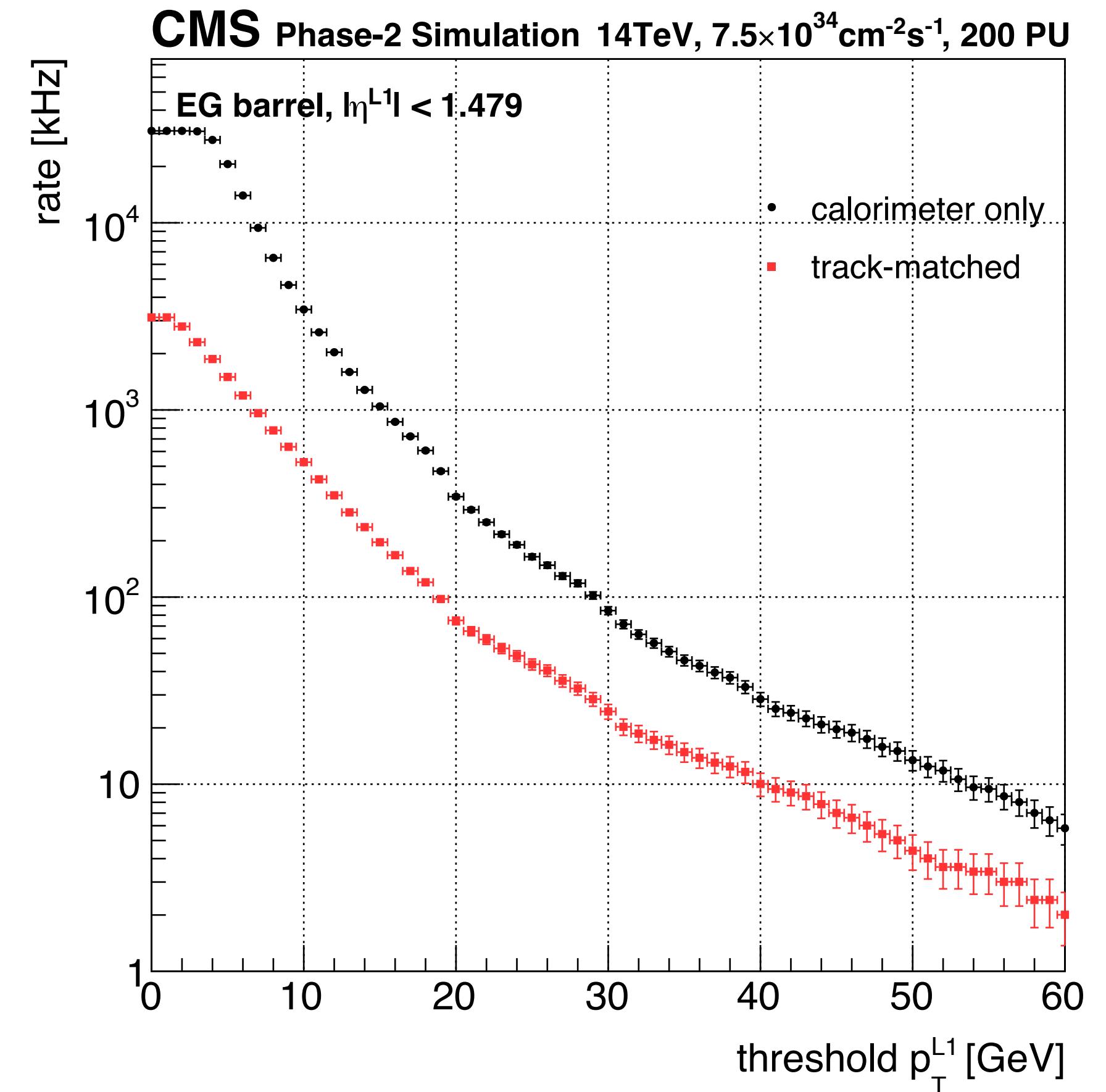
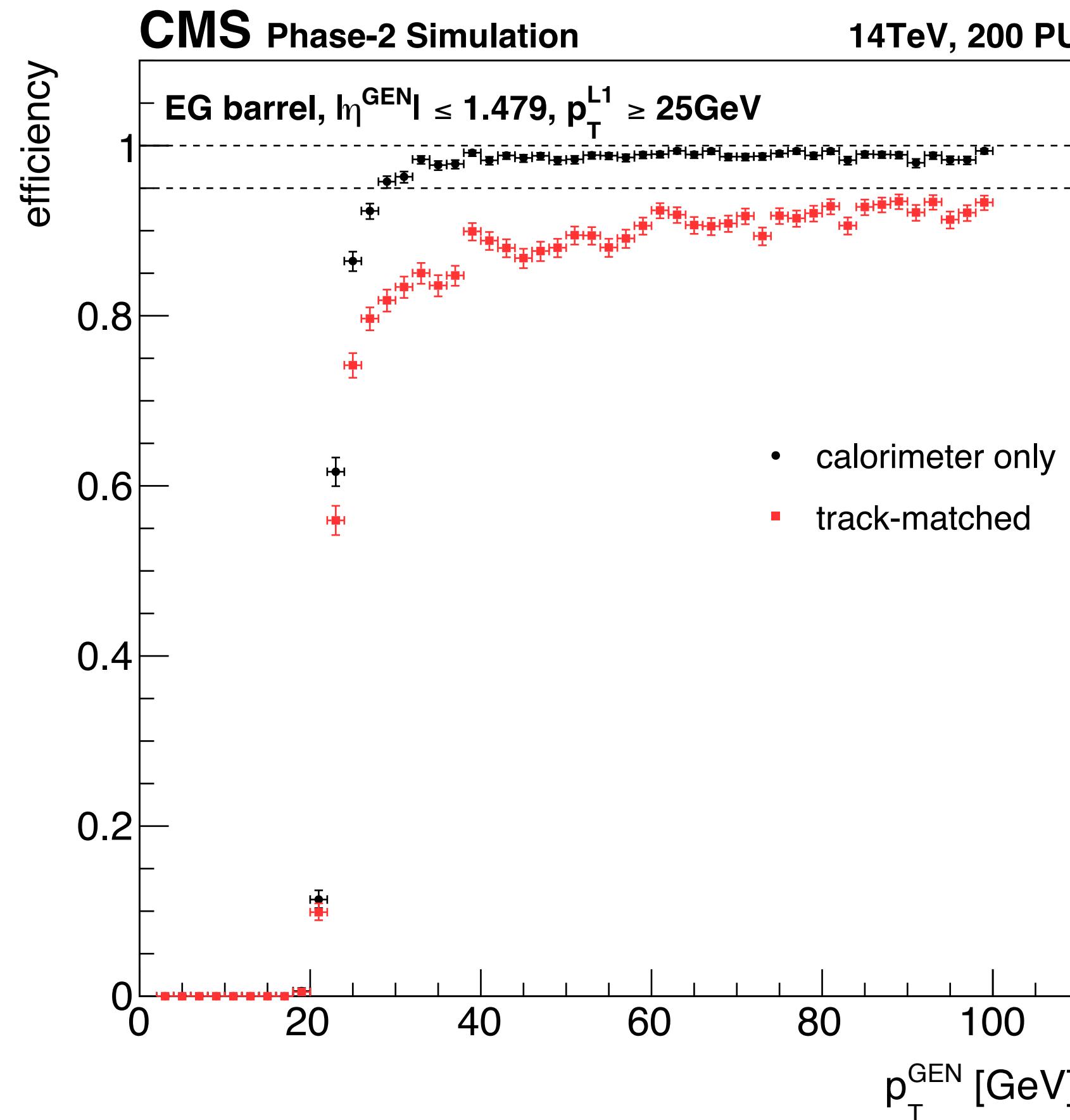
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## $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ trigger algorithms



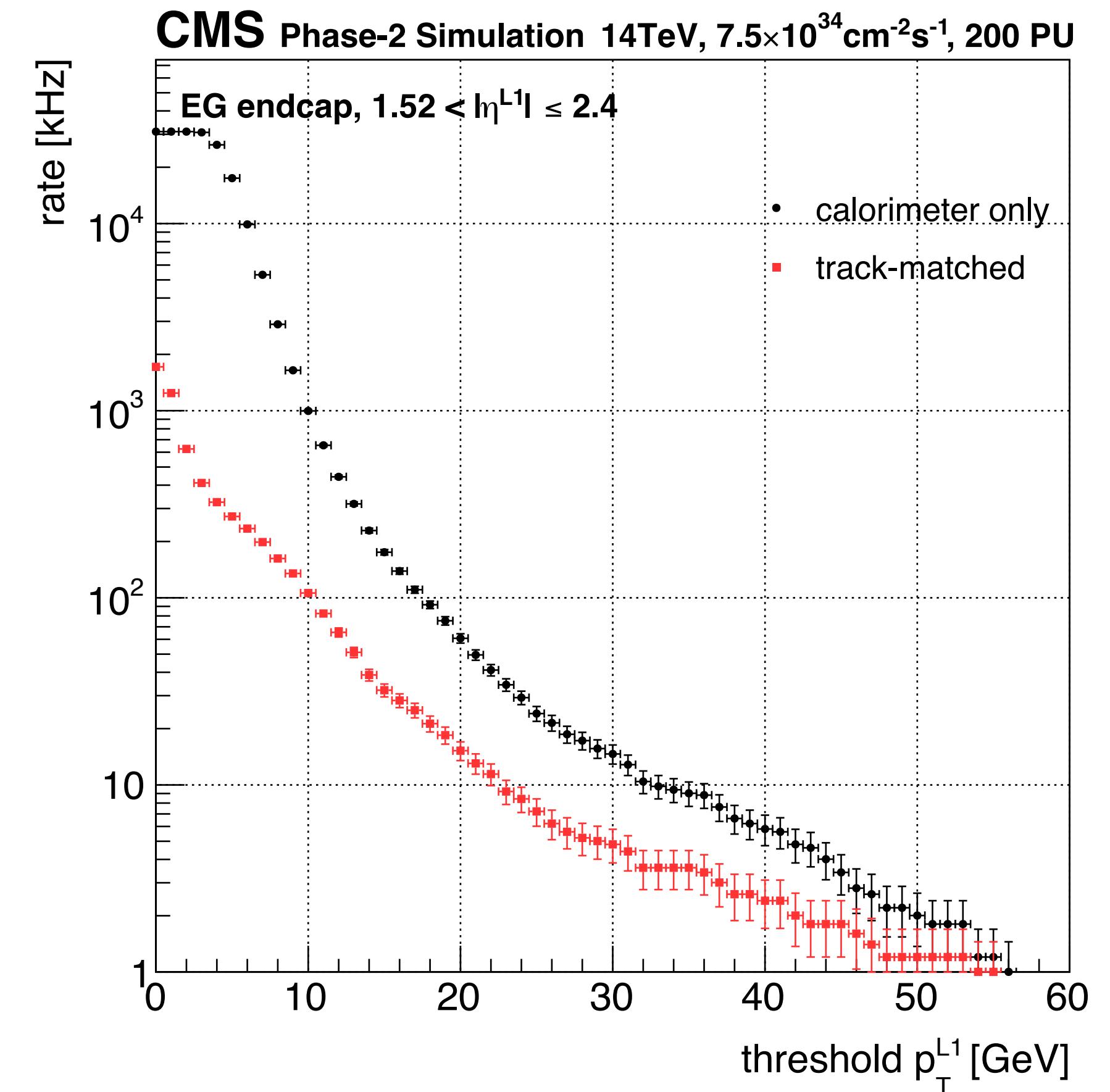
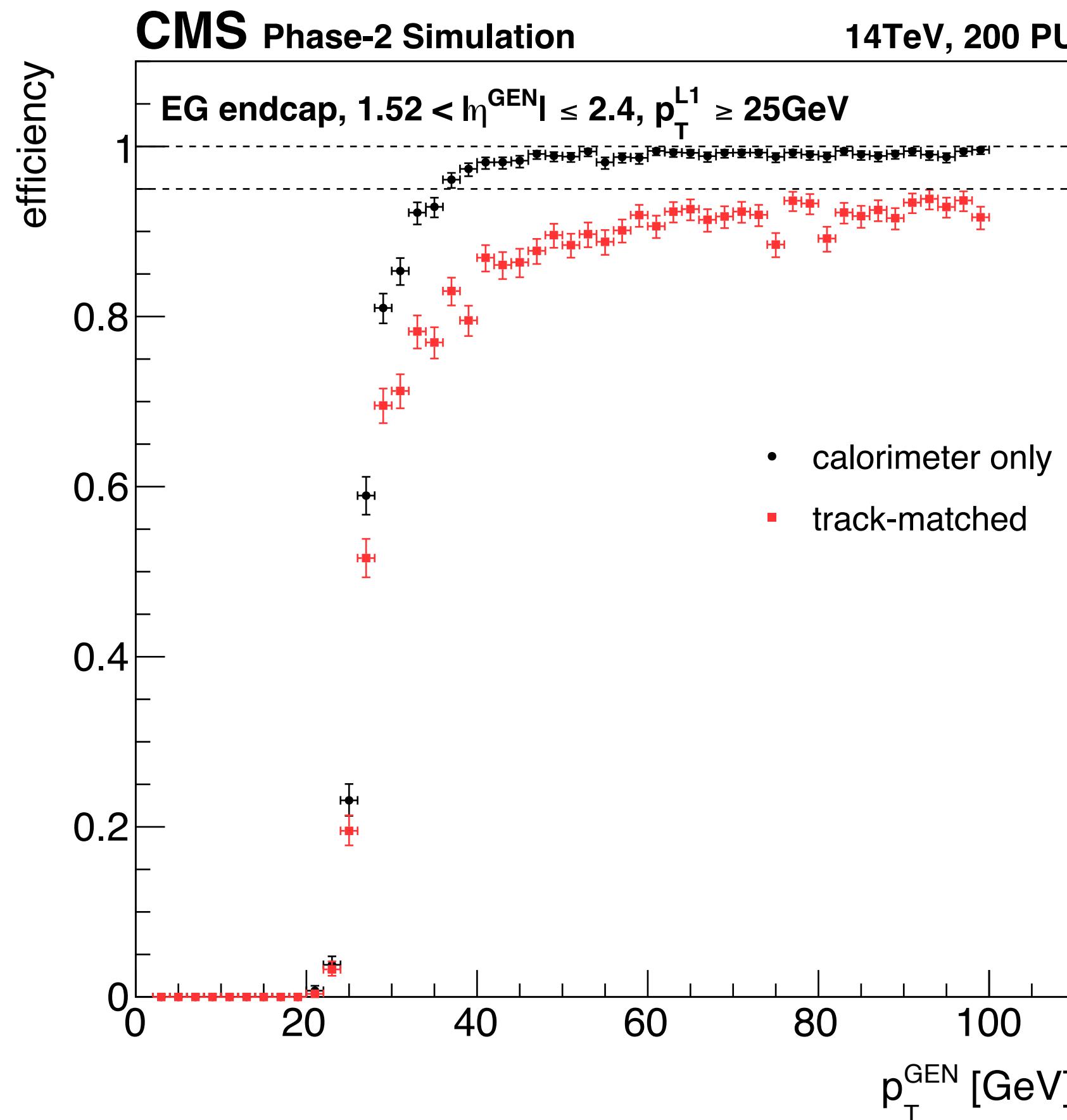
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## e/ $\gamma$ barrel performances



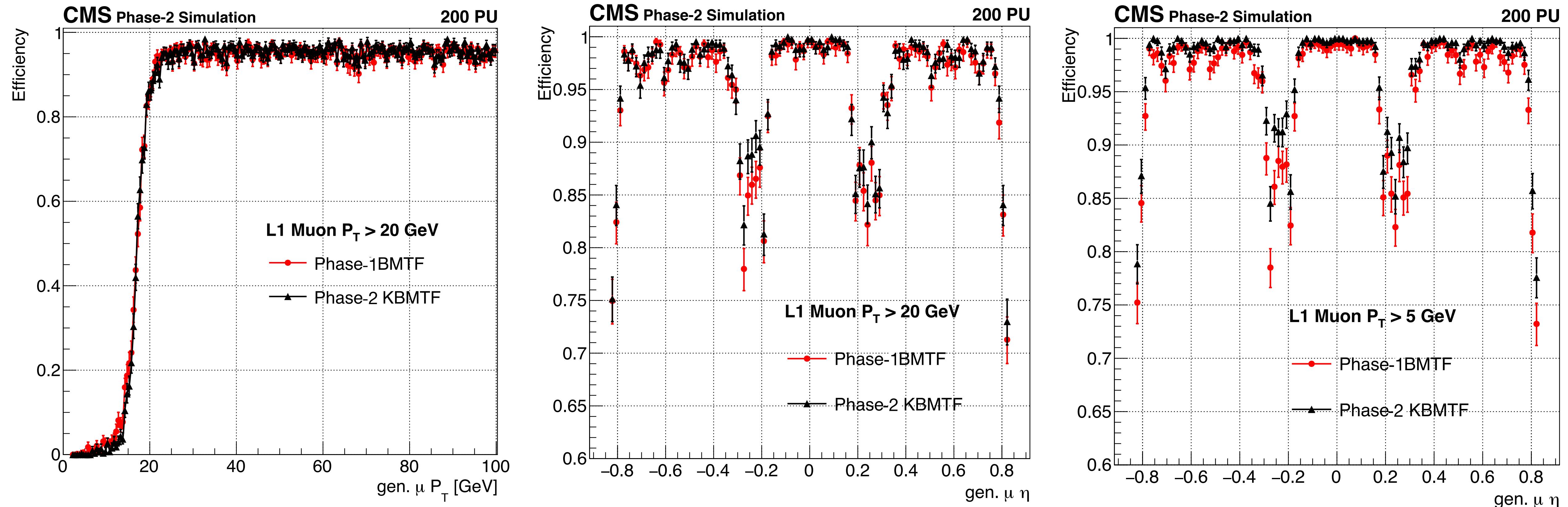
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## e/ $\gamma$ endcap performances



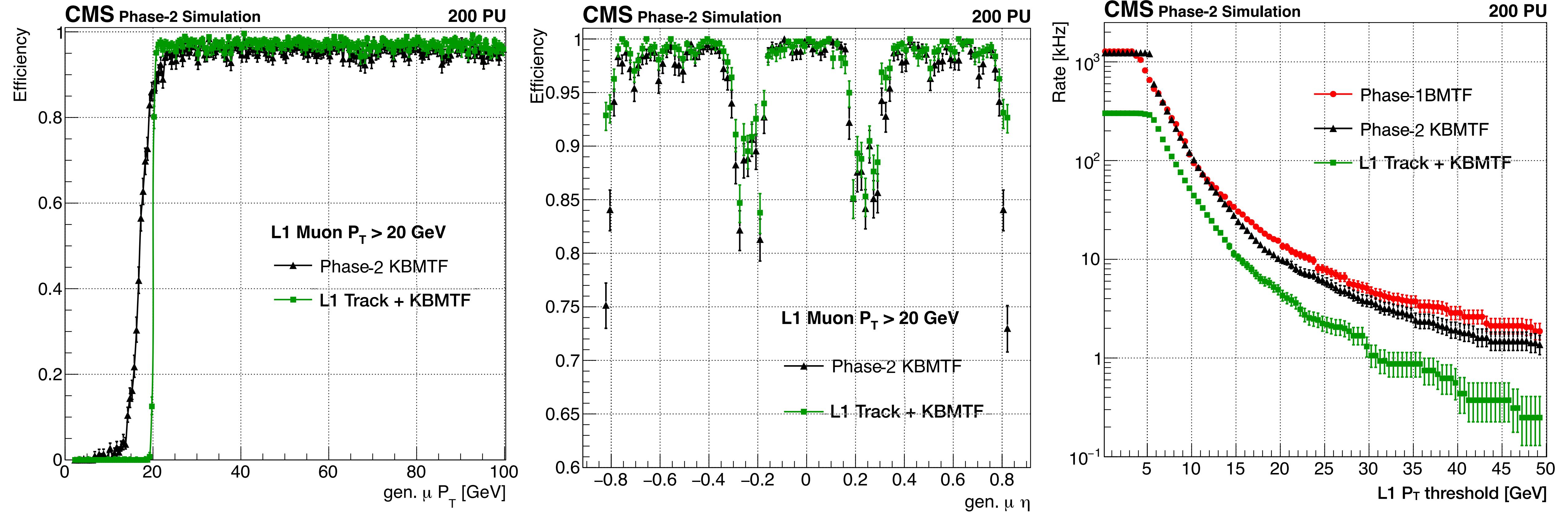
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## $\mu$ barrel performances



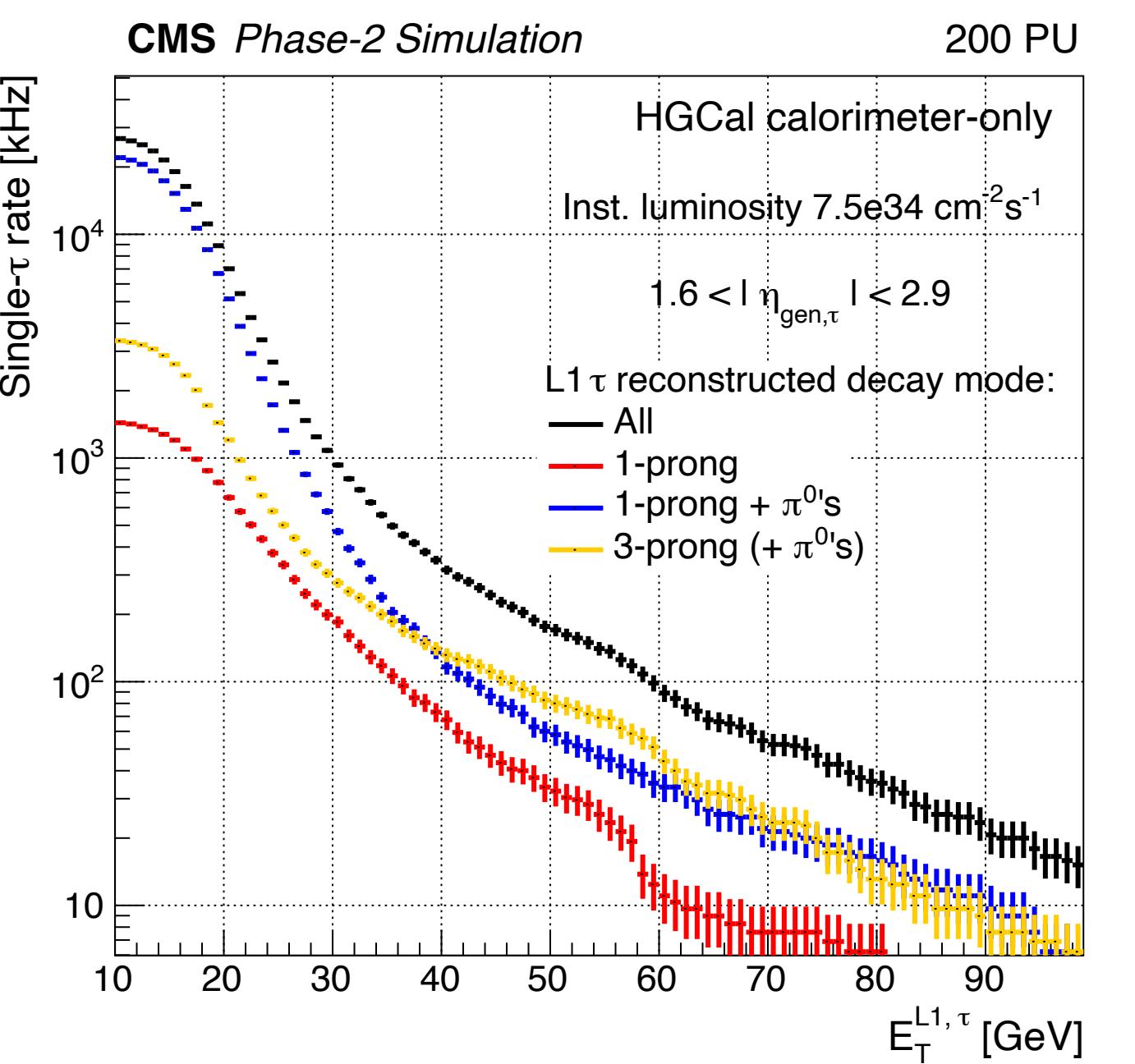
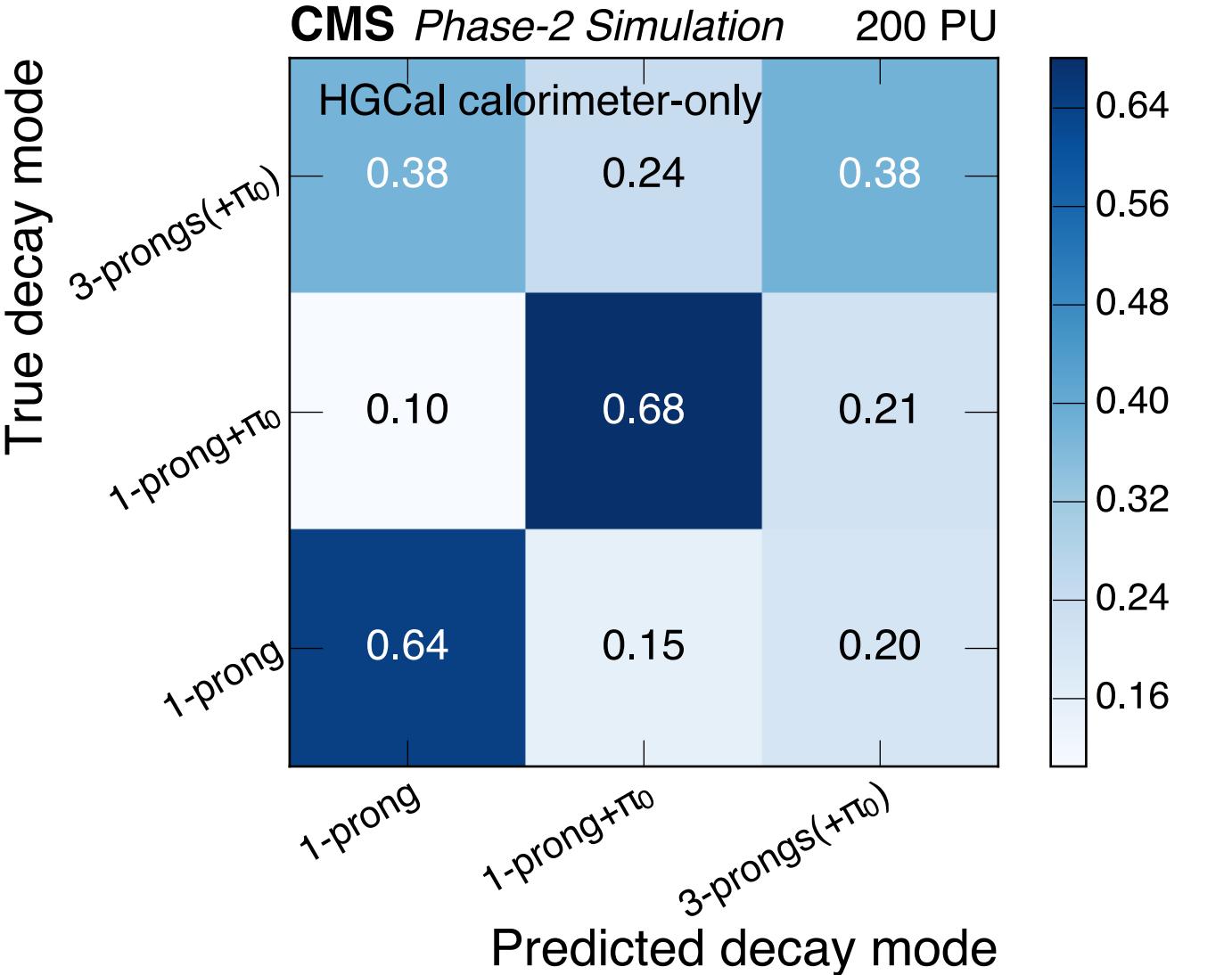
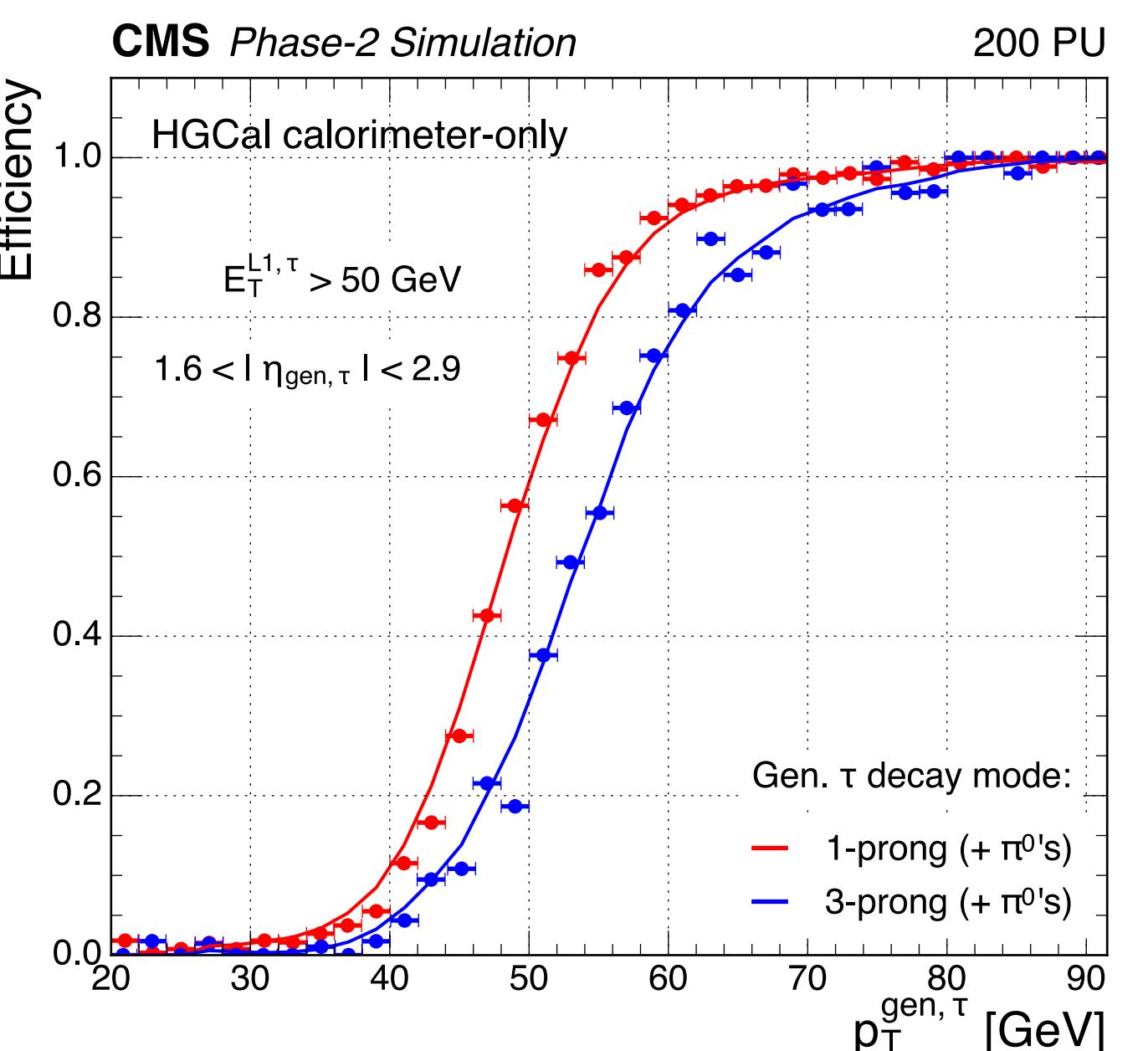
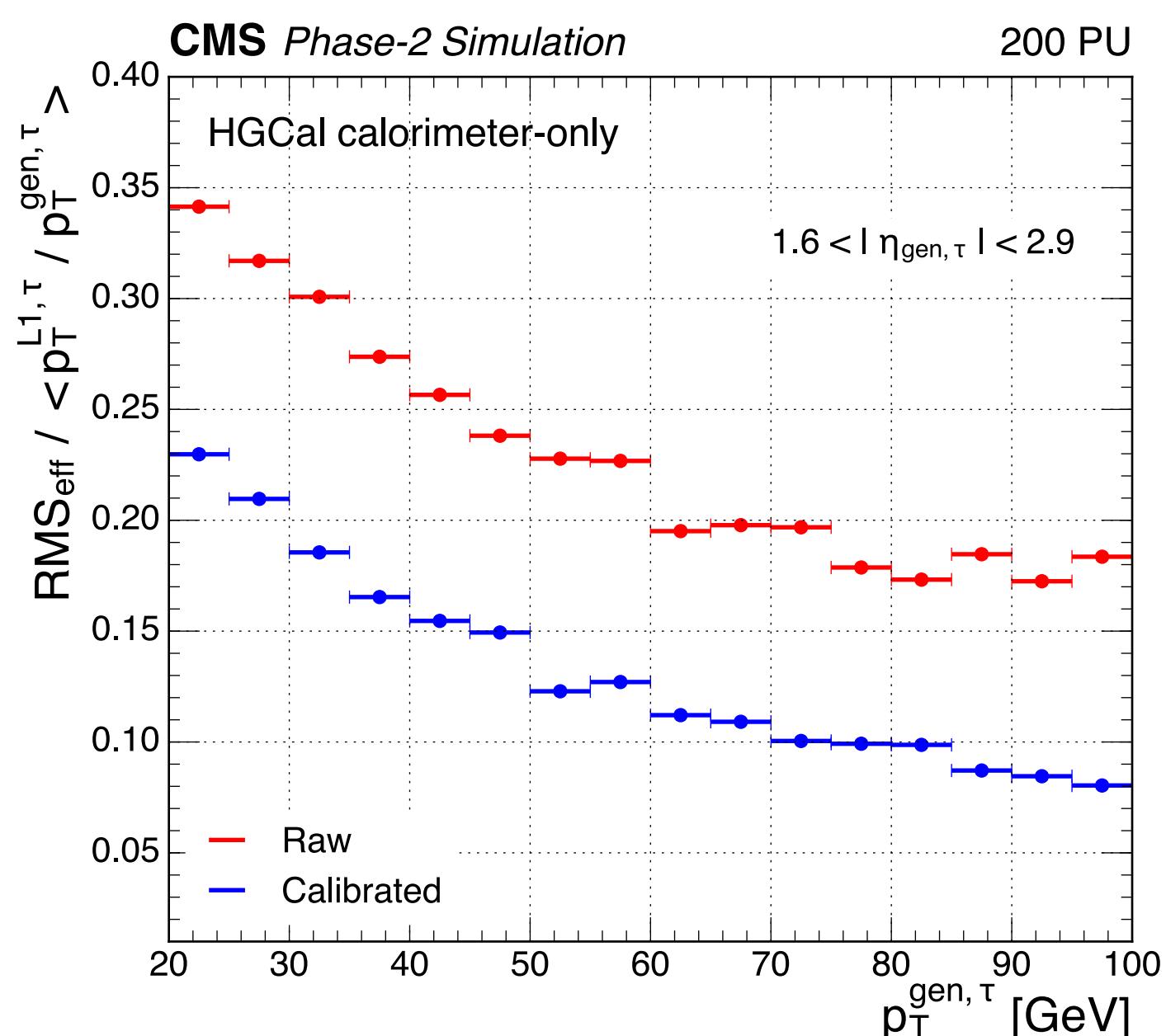
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## $\mu$ barrel+track performances



# BACKUP:

## HGCAL $\tau$ algorithm performance



# BACKUP:

## EMTF demonstrator

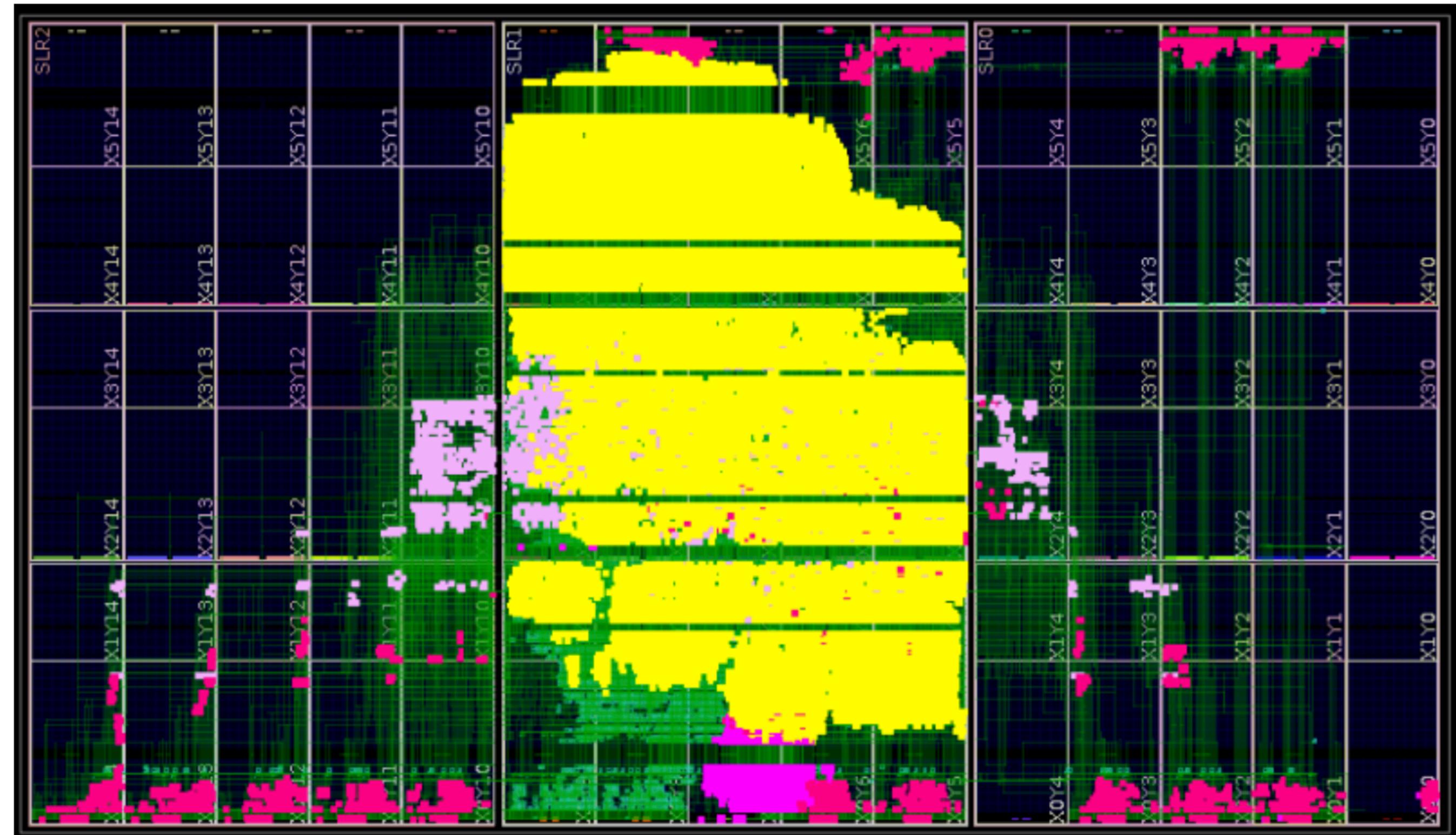


Figure 6.45: Image of the EMTF firmware usage in the Virtex 9 Ultrascale+ FPGA. Shown are the EMTF logic core (yellow), input links (red), input link data deframers (light pink), control link to the ELM2 (magenta), and other logic (green).

# BACKUP:

## GTT demonstrator

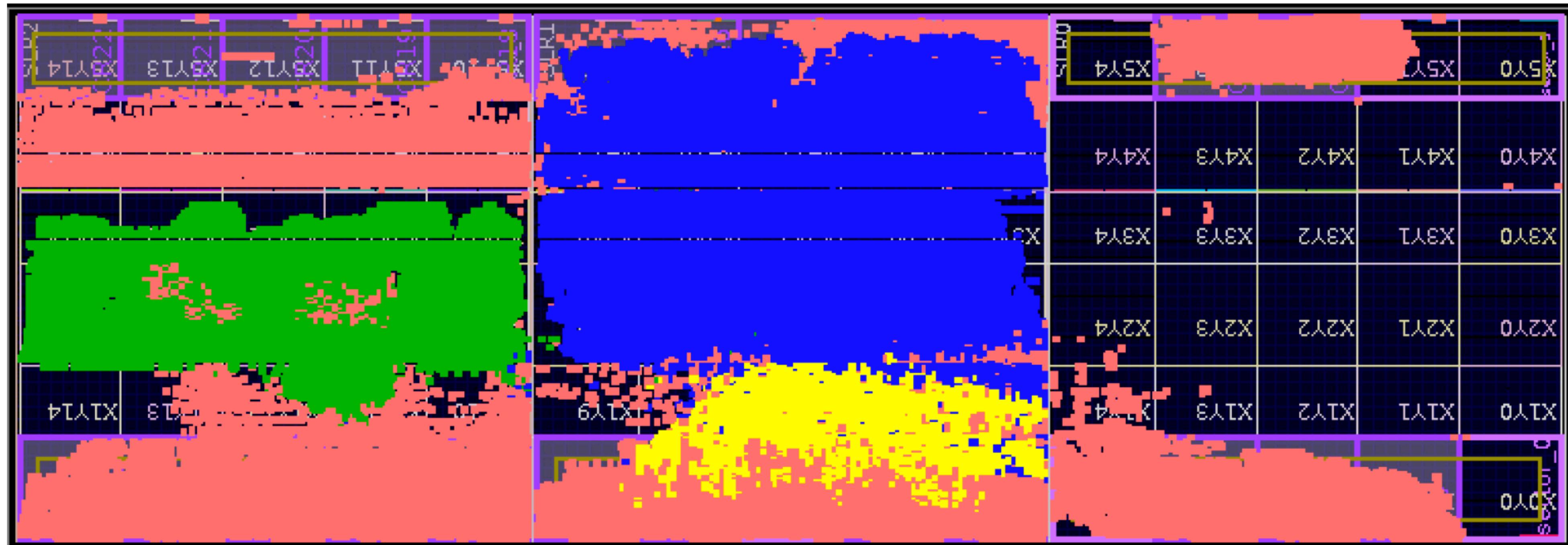


Figure 6.51: Resource placement on VU9P FPGA for the GTT demonstration. Red shows the firmware shell plus track conversion modules, green shows the primary vertex finding algorithm, blue is the track jet finding algorithm, and yellow is the track  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  algorithm.