



# Searching for Low-mass Resonances with Trigger-level Jets at ATLAS

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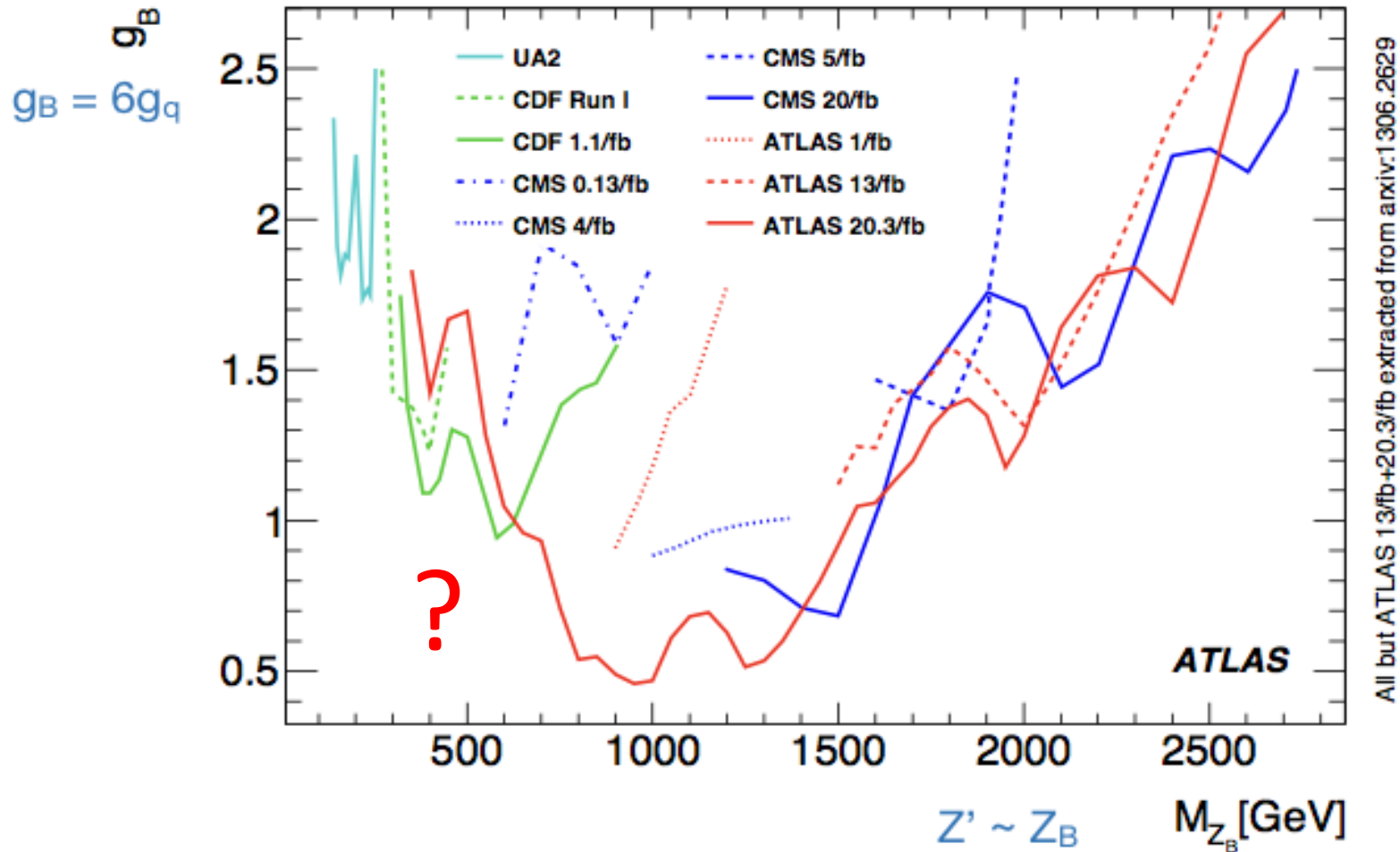
# Outline

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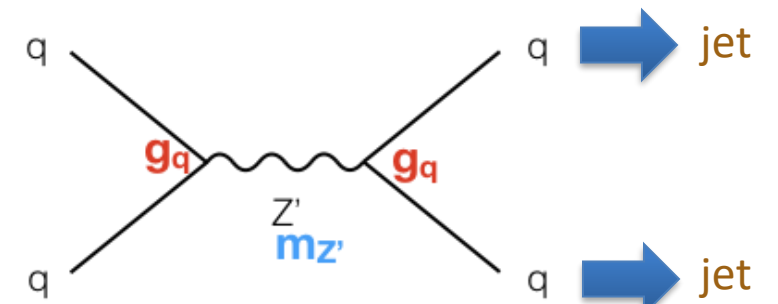
1. What is Trigger-object Level Analysis (TLA)
2. Results from 2016
3. Jet Calibration and future plans for TLA



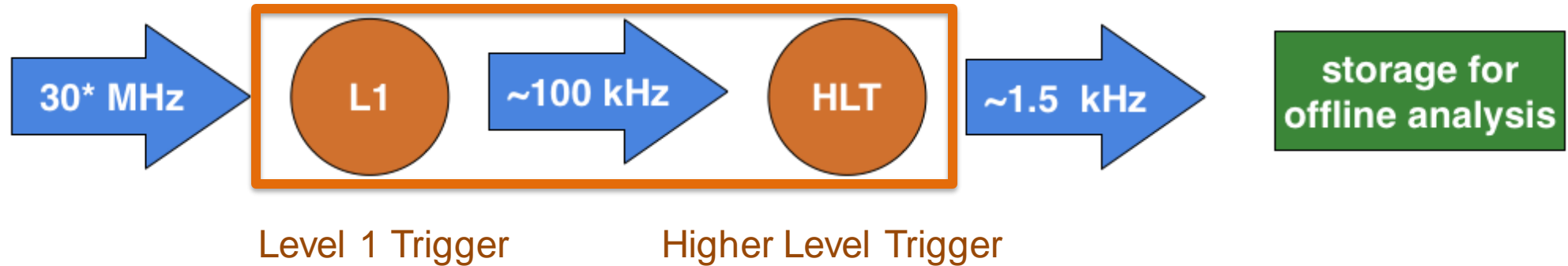
# Constraints on New Resonances, End of LHC Run-1



At the end of LHC Run-1, parameter space for resonances decaying to jets below 1 TeV was still unexplored by ATLAS



# ATLAS Trigger and Low-mass Resonances



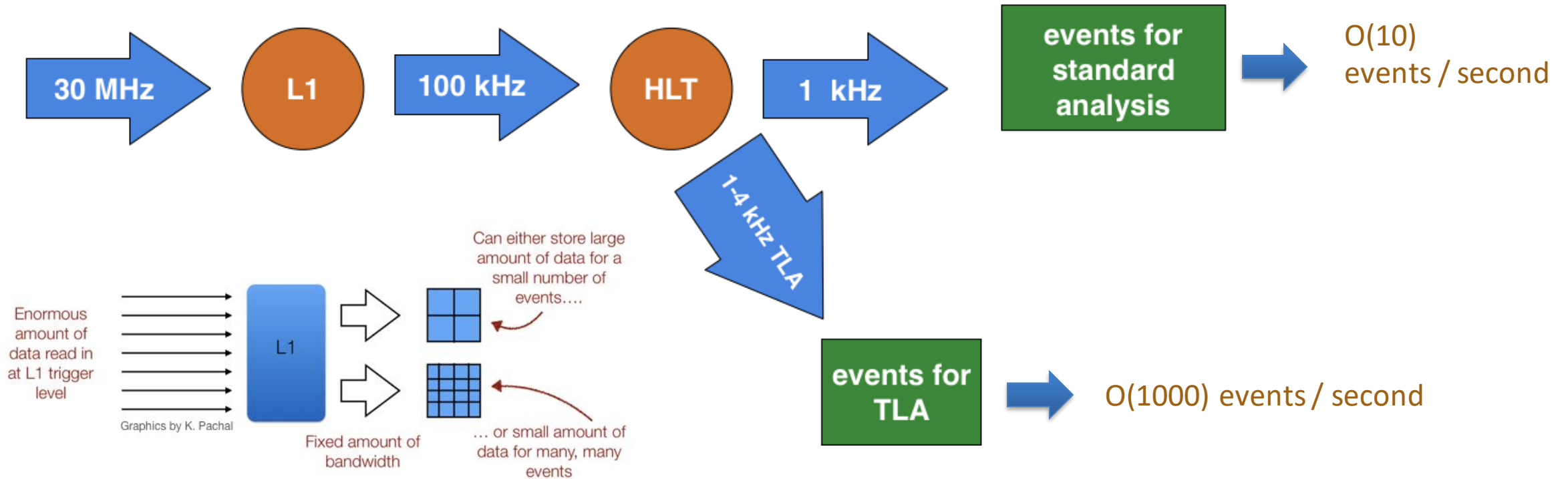
Reason for this unexplored region:

- Signal and background events have very similar characteristics
- Background (QCD) very high rate and cannot be recorded in its entirety
  - » Most events discarded by the ATLAS *trigger system*
- Signal is discarded as well!





# Solution: Trigger-object Level Analysis (TLA)



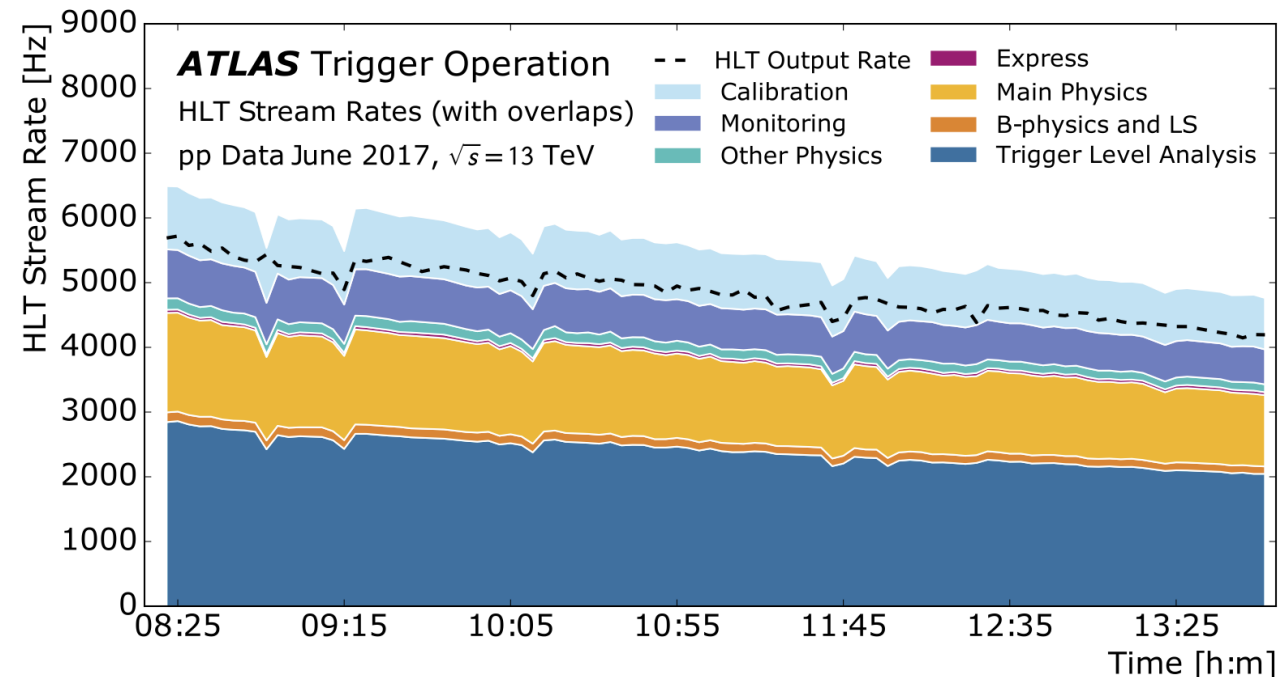
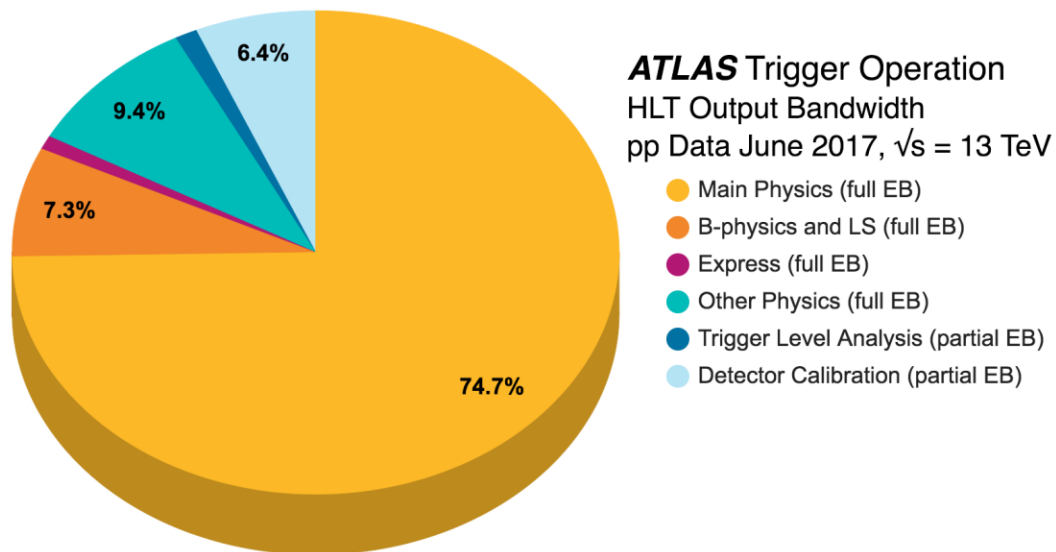
- Instead of discarding the events, keep only the objects used for making the decision (0.5% of full size) and use for them analysis
  - LHCb: Turbo Stream, CMS: Data Scouting
- [2] Comput. Phys. Commun. **208** (2016) 35, [3] Phys. Lett. B **769** (2017) 520



# Trigger-object Level Analysis (TLA): Rates

Event size reduced to <1%  
of fully recorded event

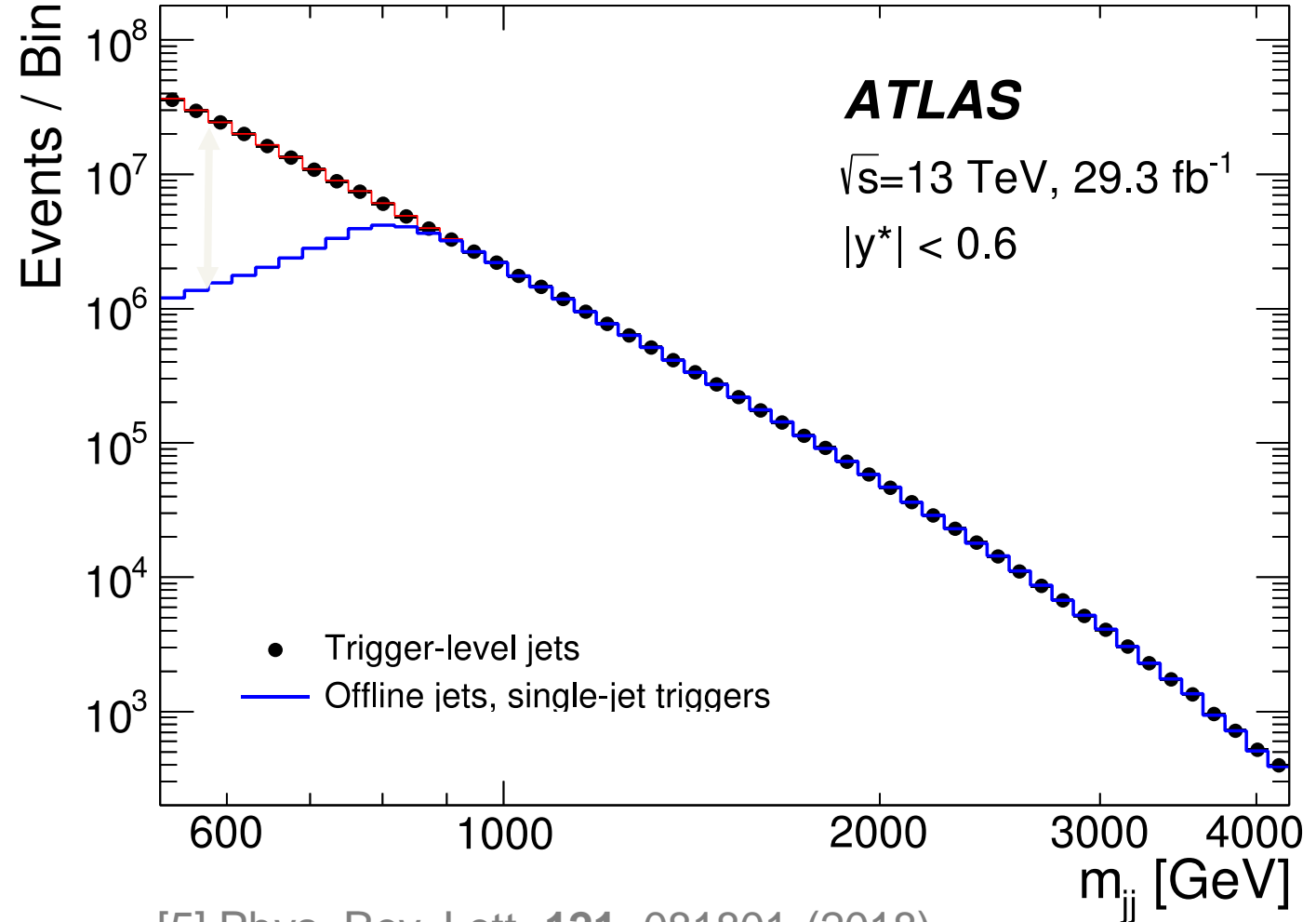
Rates of TLA data recorded are larger than  
rates for all other ATLAS analyses combined



[4] [https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/AtlasPublic/TriggerOperationPublicResults#2017\\_pp\\_at\\_13\\_TeV](https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/AtlasPublic/TriggerOperationPublicResults#2017_pp_at_13_TeV)

# TLA: Results

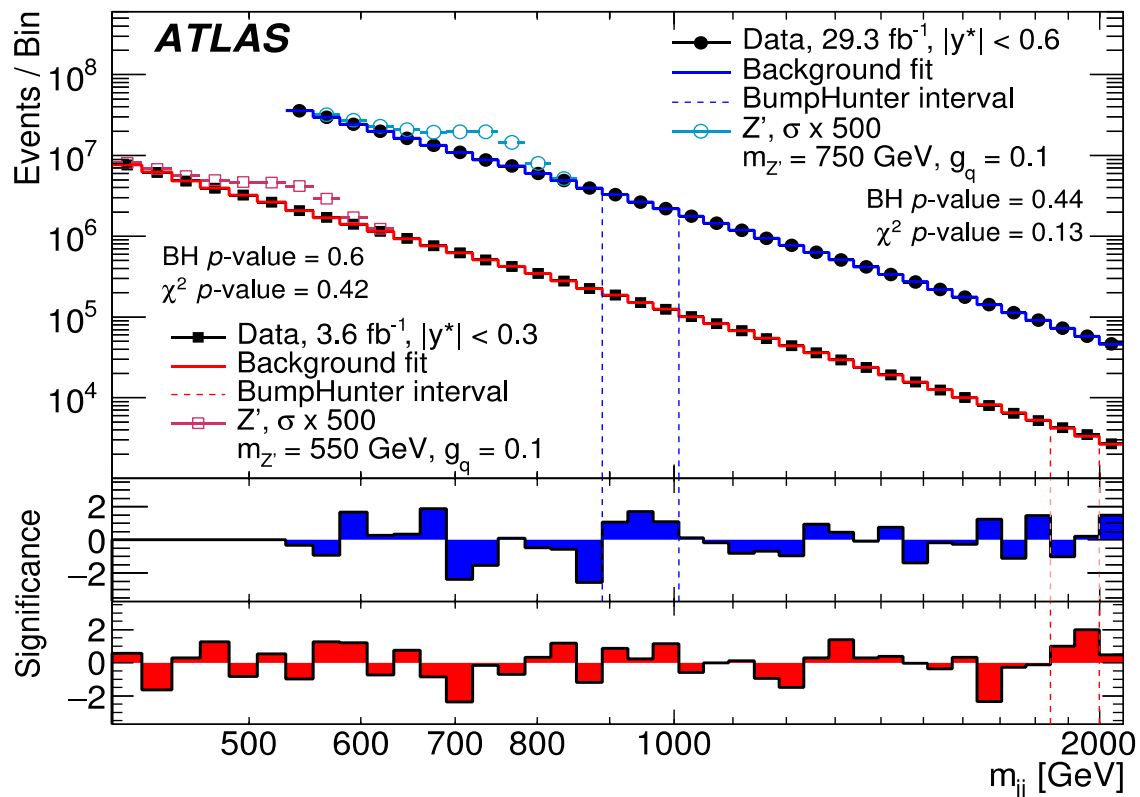
Increase in number of events recorded with TLA compared to **traditional techniques**



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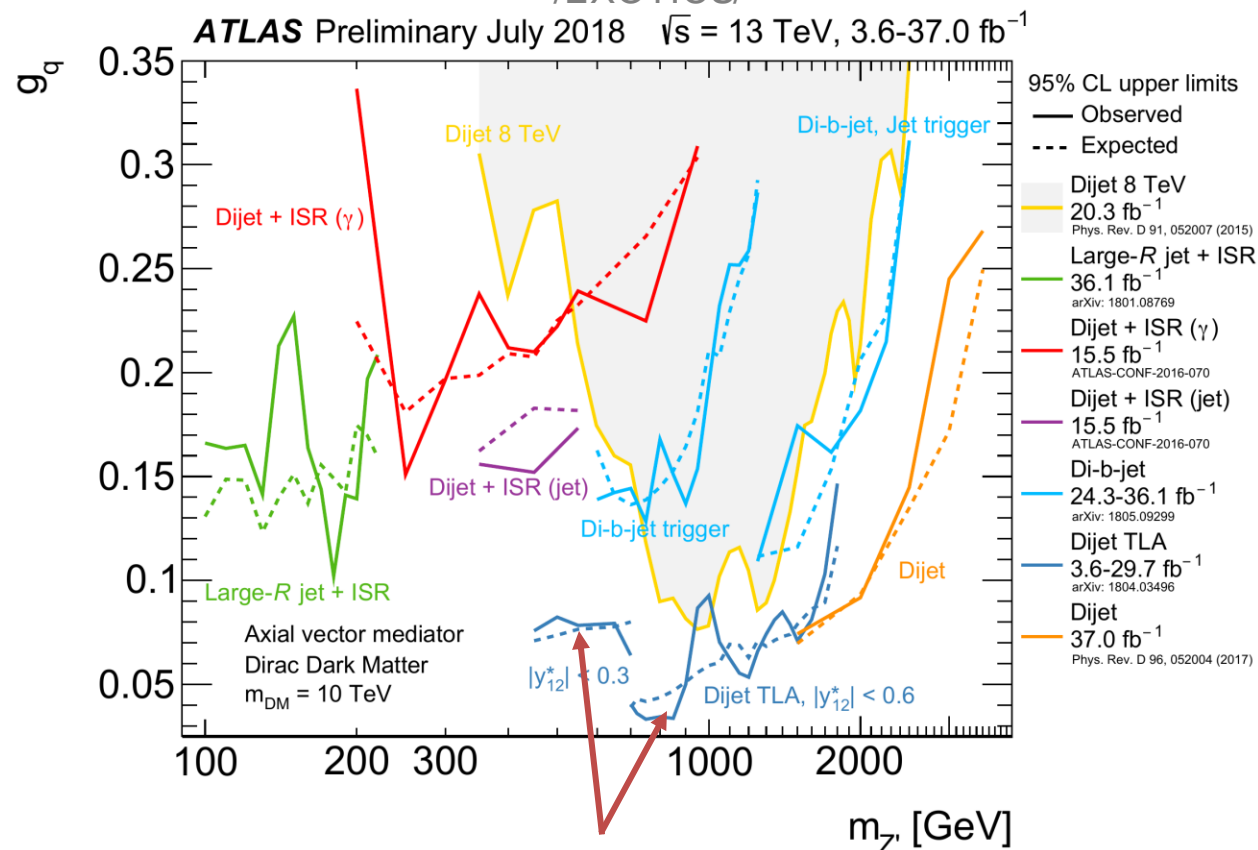
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No signs of excesses  
in 2016 dataset

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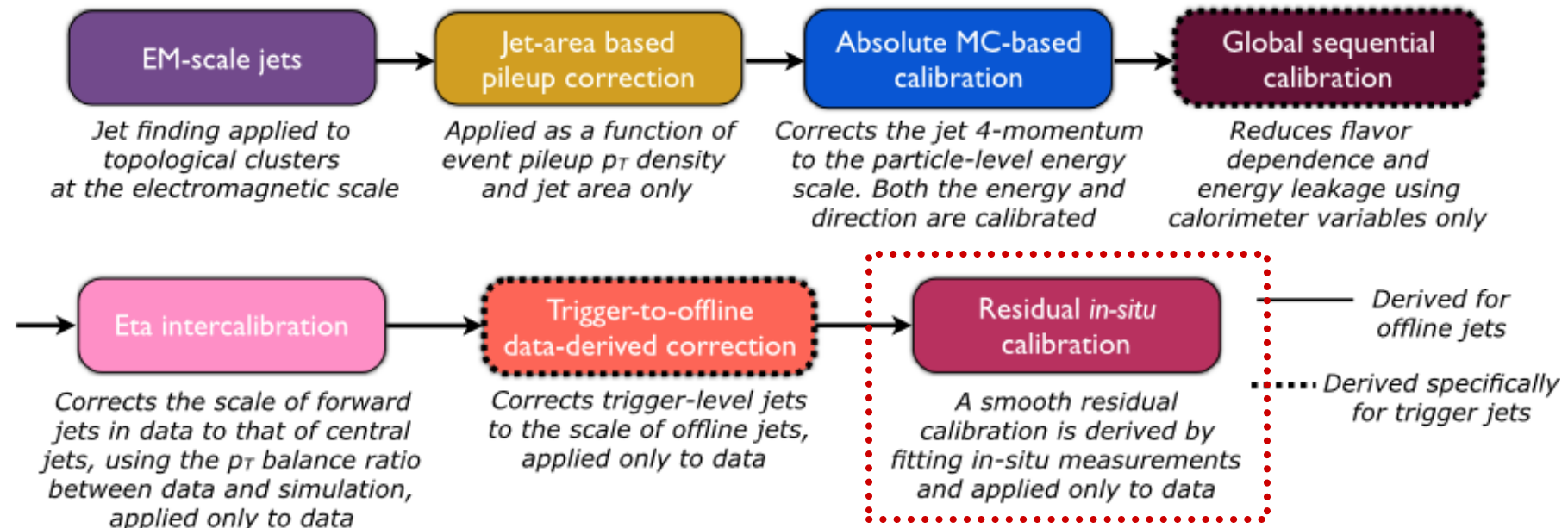


Set constraints on models  
of dark matter mediators



# Jet Calibration: Crucial for this Analysis

- The calibration is a chain of steps, each applying a different correction/calibration
- Example: final in-situ calibration derives calibration factors by balancing jets and better calibrated objects (e.g. photons, Z bosons)
  - Note: this step has less statistical precision than the TLA dataset

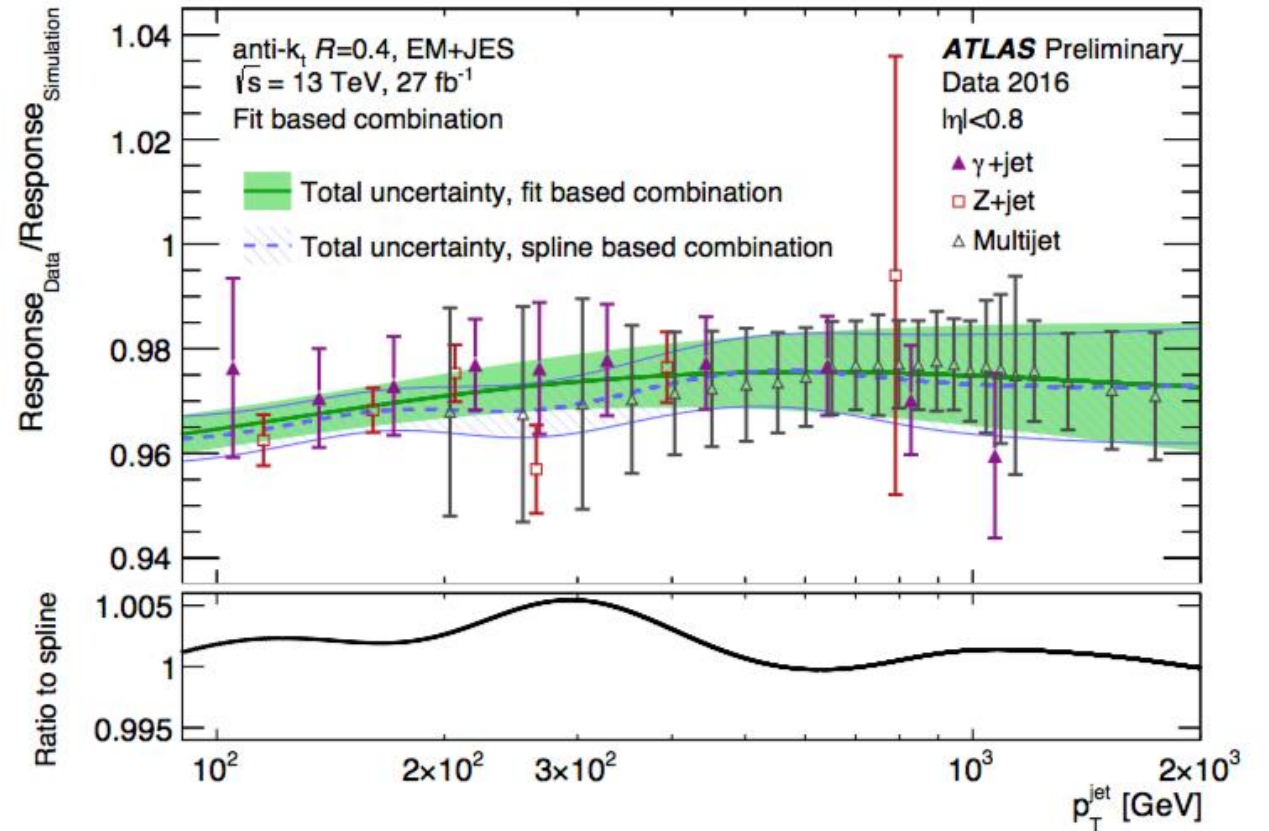


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# Challenges of Analysis With Very High Statistics

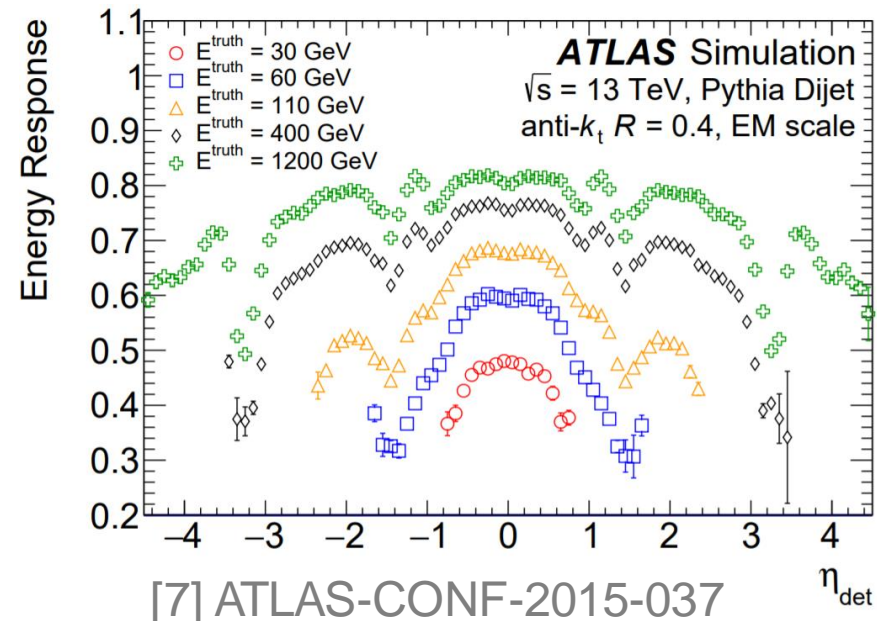
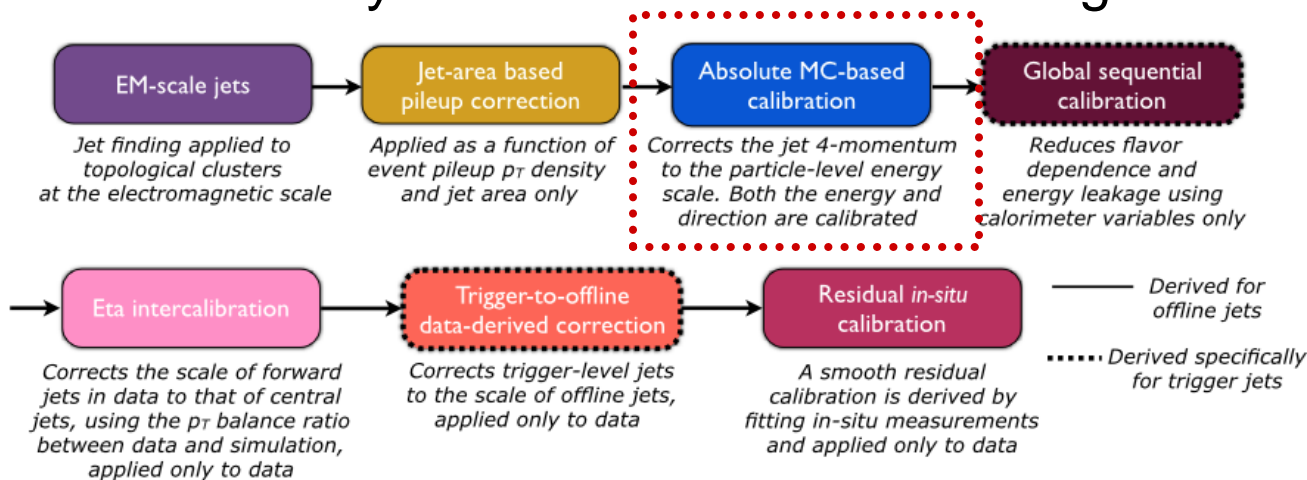
- Background estimation relies on the fact that QCD is **smoothly falling** so we can use a fit
- Case of in-situ step:
  - Any features from calibration due to limited statistical precision can create “bumps” that are signal-like
  - Necessary to use calibration techniques that keeps the calibration **smooth**



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# My Work for the 2018 Analysis: Jet Calibration

- Master's thesis with the ATLAS group
- I am working on the “Absolute MC-based Calibration” step
  - This step determines the calibration factors needed to bring reconstructed jets to the particle level energy scale
  - My work will be about showing that it is **smooth in pT**



# Summary and outlook

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- Trigger-object Level Analysis technique is very effective to search for low-mass resonances that would otherwise not be reachable
- Results with 2016 LHC dataset show no excesses -> strongest constraints on certain kinds of dark matter mediators
- Preparing for analysis with 3x more data (full Run-2)

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