

Improving ATLAS hadronic object performance with ML/AI

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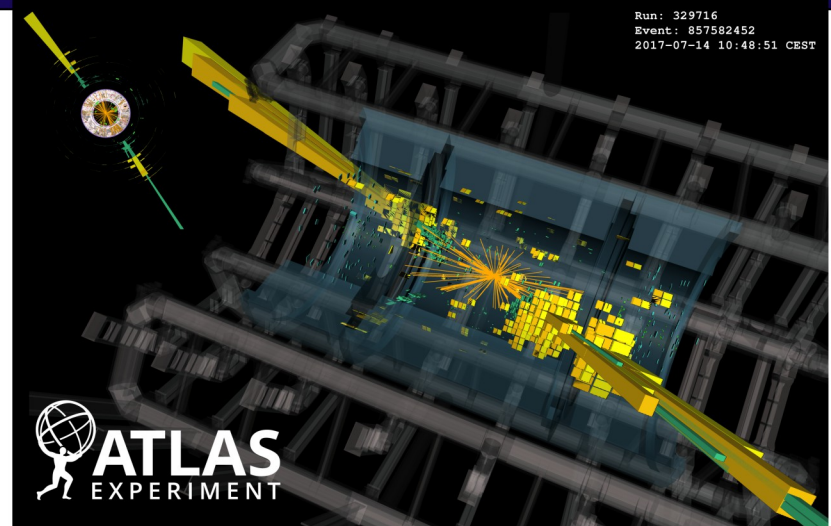
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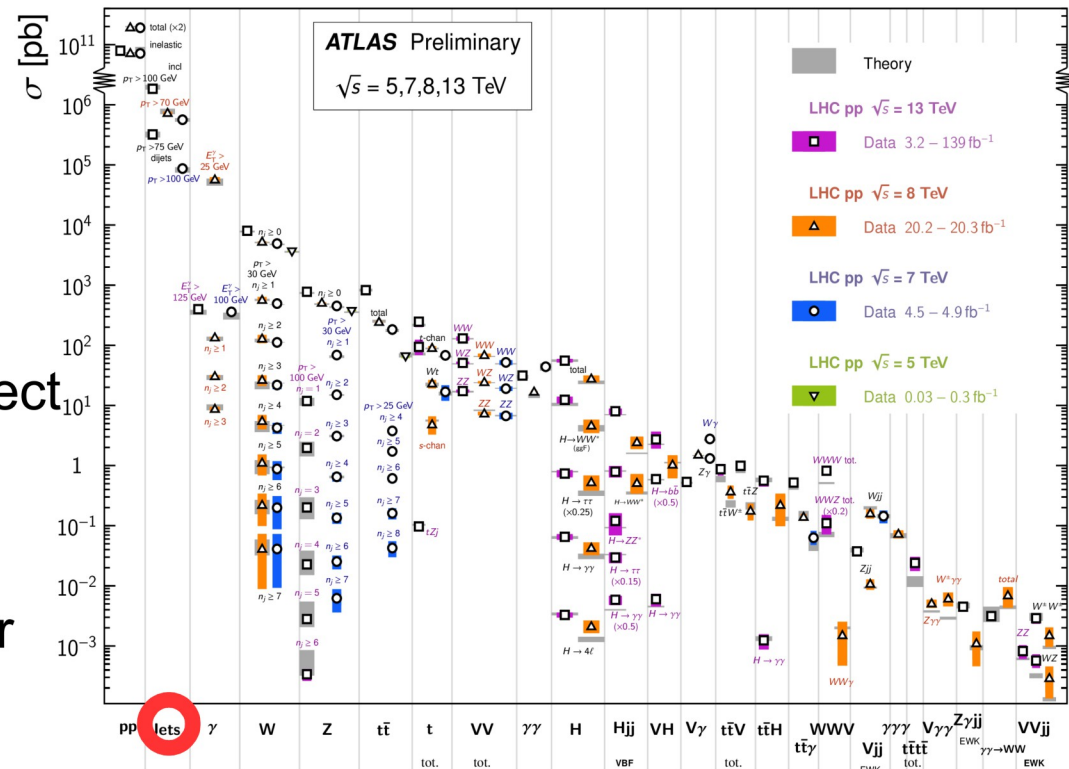
The LHC is a very jetty place

- Strongly interacting quarks and gluons produced in the LHC collisions hadronise and produce a cascade of particles, which can be collected using some specialised algorithms to build what we call “jets”
- Jets are ubiquitous in LHC analyses for new physics searches and Standard Model measurements
- Therefore a good hadronic object performance translates into physics precision
- There are many steps to take and experimental challenges to hadronic object reconstruction
- ATLAS has achieved percent level precision with Run-2 LHC data... and our optimisation work continues...



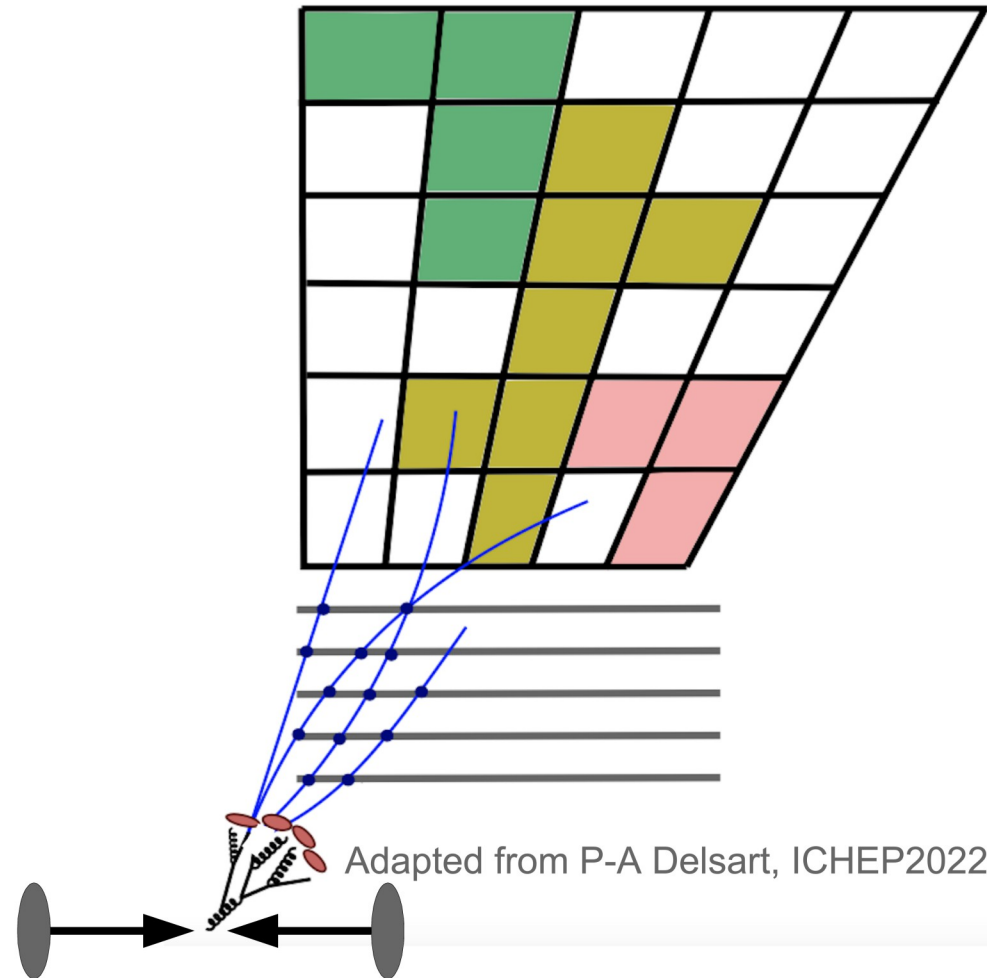
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All these steps are promising settings for cutting-edge machine learning and artificial intelligence algorithms at the LHC!

Selection of 4 ATLAS recent developments to improve hadronic object performance with ML

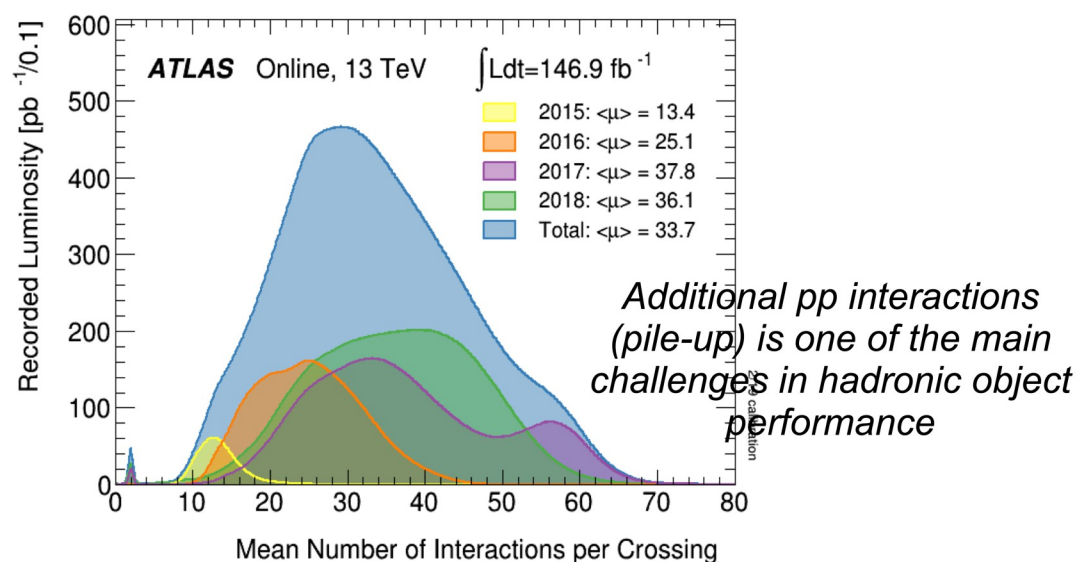
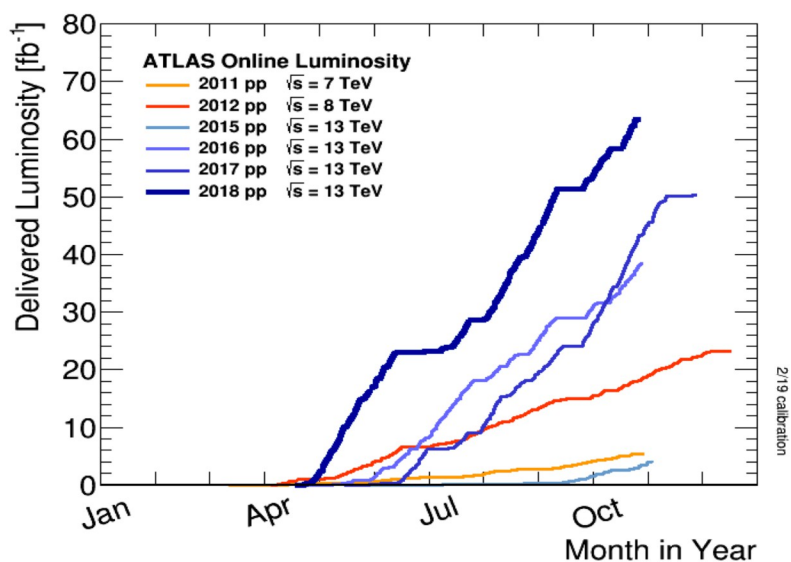
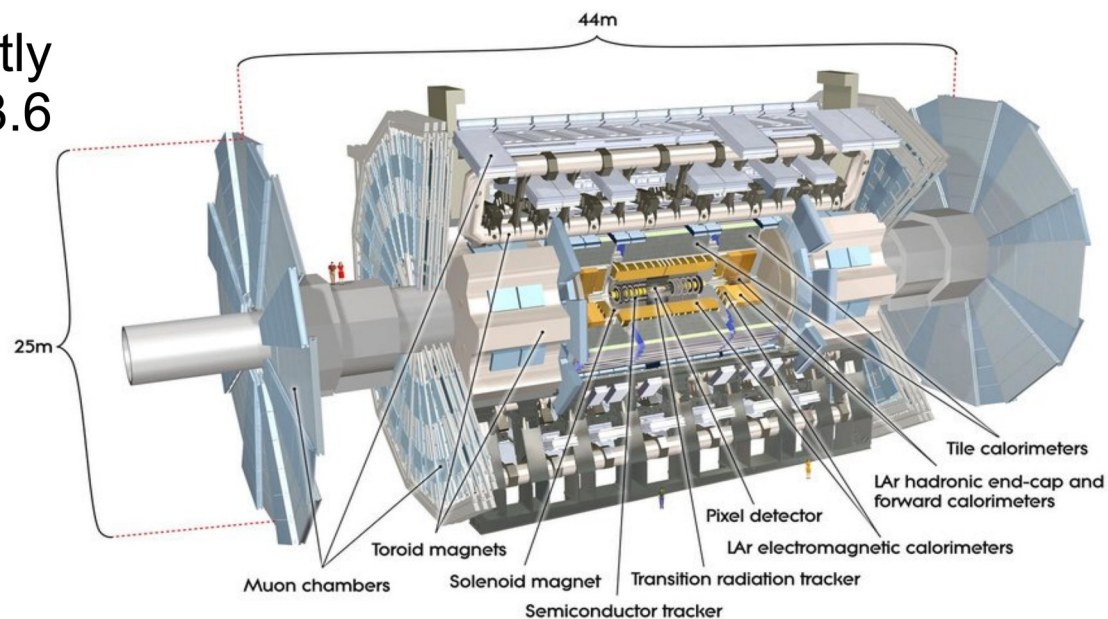
In 15mins I can't cover everything and there is much more information in the links

For more information about other developments, with a focus on small-radius jets, please see [L. Ginabat's talk](#)

Our tools

The LHC and ATLAS

- A proton-proton collider of 27 Km circumference situated at CERN. Currently running at a center-of-mass energy of 13.6 TeV since 2022
- **Fantastic machines with capabilities beyond design**
- ATLAS is a non-specialized detector:
 - Excellent vertex and tracking systems
 - Large coverage for muon detection
 - Excellent calorimetry with extended coverage



Classifying and calibrating clusters with ML

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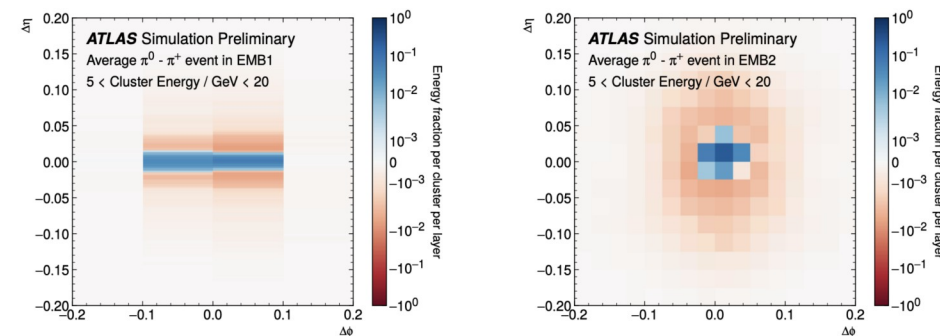
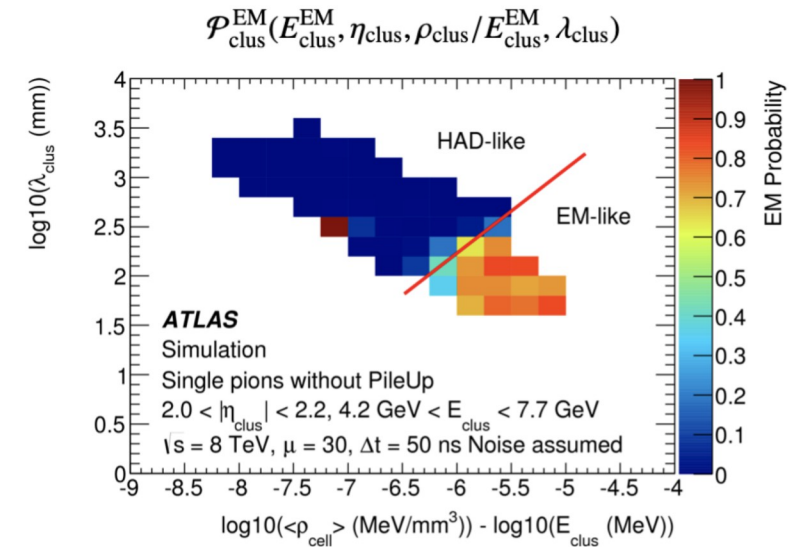
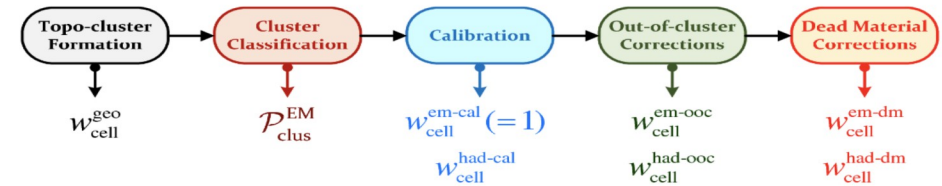
- Our basic calorimeter energy reconstruction is based on **topoclusters**

- Current approach:**

- Cluster classification ($\mathcal{P}_{\text{clus}}^{\text{EM}}$) based on geometric and signal moments per-cluster
- Cluster calibration through **Local Hadronic Cell Weighting (LCW)** based on local properties
- All this in order to take into account the non-compensating nature of our calorimeter: different response for π^\pm, π^0

- New developments:**

- What if the many cells in topoclusters are represented in a different way using ML? Could we improve the classification and calibration?
 - Images (1 cell = 1 pixel) \rightarrow Convolutional NN (CNN)
 - Point clouds (1 cell = 1 point) \rightarrow DeepSets/ParticleFlow Network (PFN)
 - Graphs (1 cell = 1 node) \rightarrow Graph NN (GNN)

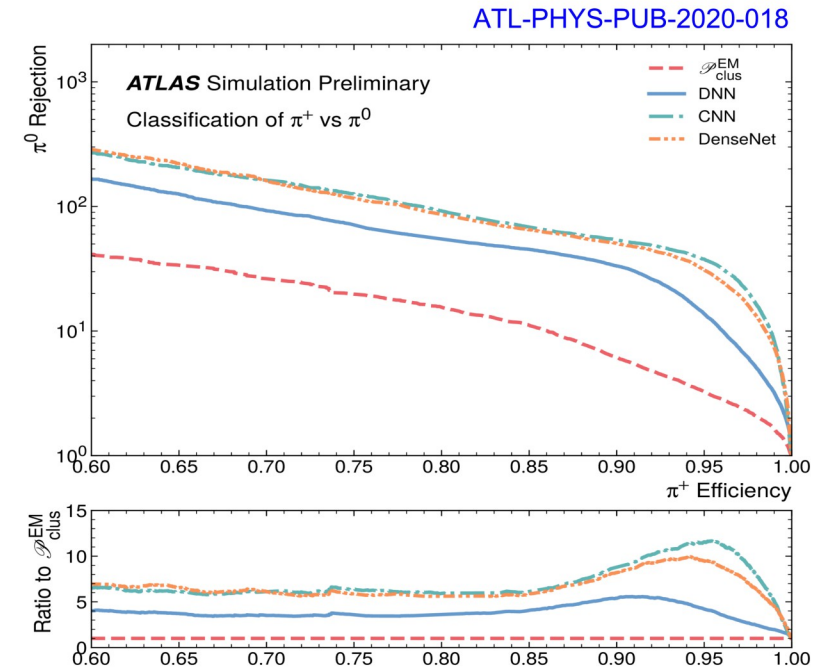


Inputs examples used for CNN

Classifying and calibrating clusters with ML

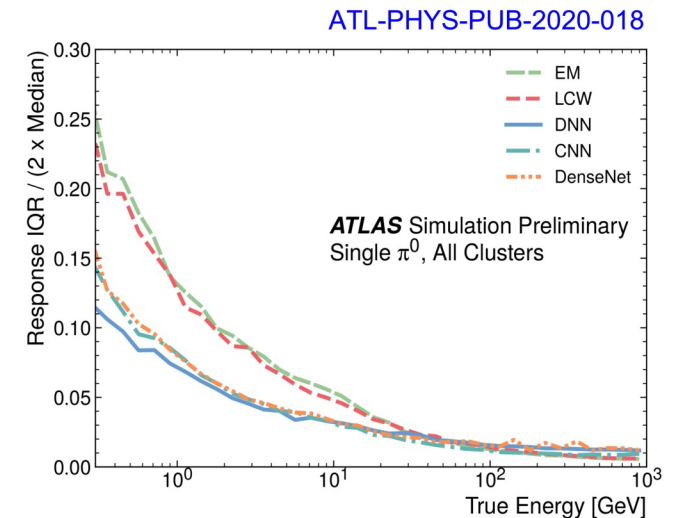
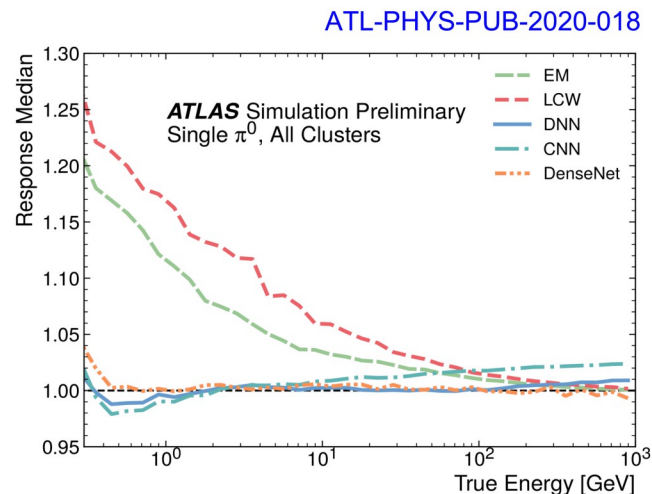
Classification of isolated charged vs neutral pions in simulation:

- **DNN**, ■ **CNN** and ■ **PFN** compared with ATLAS standard technique (\mathcal{P}_{clus}^{EM})
- ML improves rejection by factor >5



Calibrating the classified cluster energy response

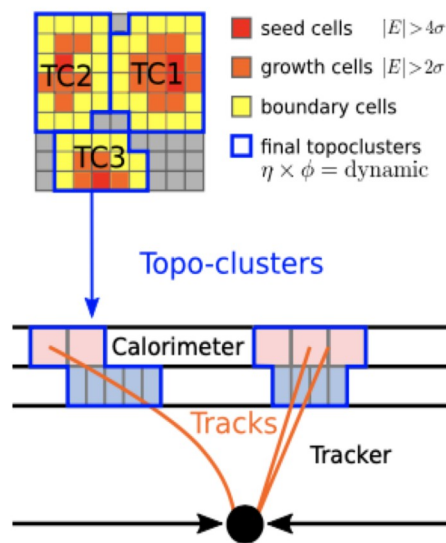
- Compared with ATLAS uncalibrated (**EM**) and calibrated (**LCW**) clusters
- ML improves the response and resolution
- More results using also tracking information in PUB note link!



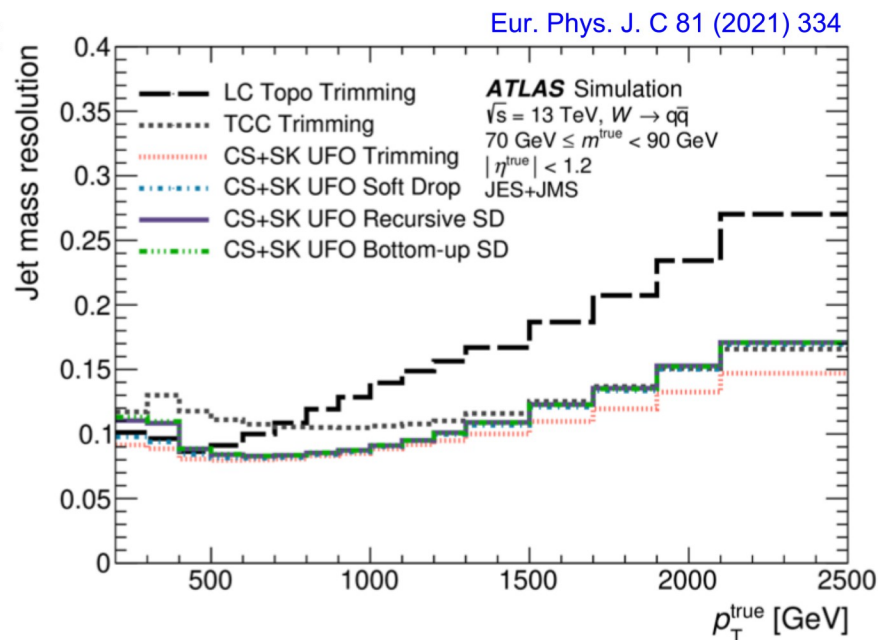
“This work demonstrates the potential of deep-learning based low-level hadronic calibrations to significantly improve the quality of particle reconstruction in the ATLAS Calorimeter”

A new set of constituents/inputs: Unified Flow Objects

- During **Run-1** mostly **calorimeter information** was used: topoclusters
- In **Run-2** we started exploiting as well the **information from the inner detector**:
 - Particle Flow (PFlow) algorithm**: tracks with good momentum resolution extrapolated to calorimeter, cell-by-cell subtraction of their deposited energy. At high p_T tracks are ignored
 - Track-calo cluster (TCC) algorithm**: effectively uses tracks to split up large clusters at high p_T , get energy from clusters but angles from tracks. At low p_T clusters-only are used
- Current state of the art is combination of TCC and PFlow
 - Unified Flow Objects (UFO)**
- UFO combines advantages**: good angular resolution of tracker and good energy resolution from calorimeter



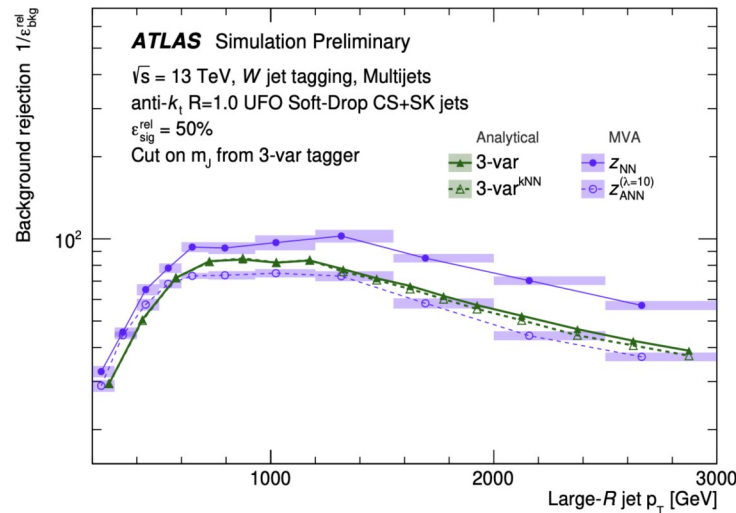
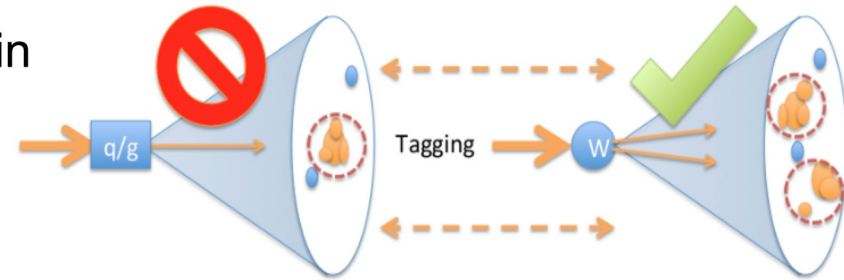
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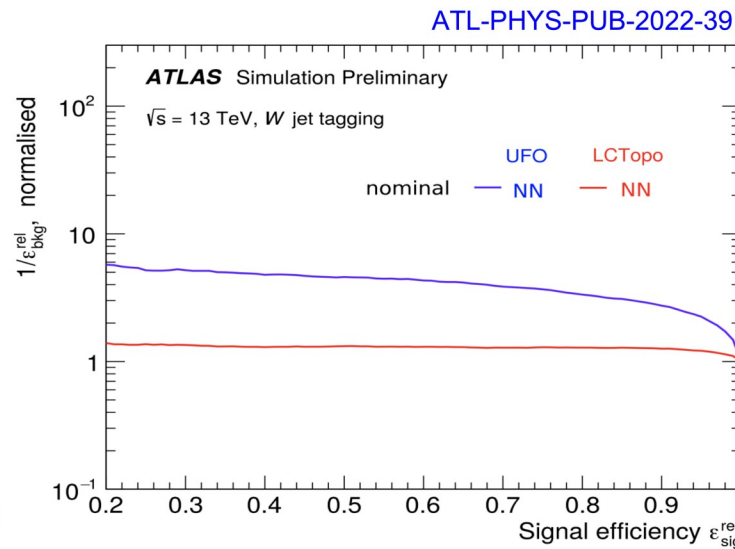
UFO currently being commissioned as baseline for large-radius jets

W/Z boosted boson tagging with UFO jets

- ATLAS has developed W/Z/H/top taggers in the last years taking advantage of the characteristic internal substructure of the large-R jets depending on their origin
- Two kind of multivariate taggers** being used at the moment
 - Moment-based (3-var) taggers:** Identify jet substructure moments with good separation power, and apply cuts on them
 - ML using high level features:** to exploit complex substructure correlations



ANN comparable with 3-variable tagger, but with decorrelation



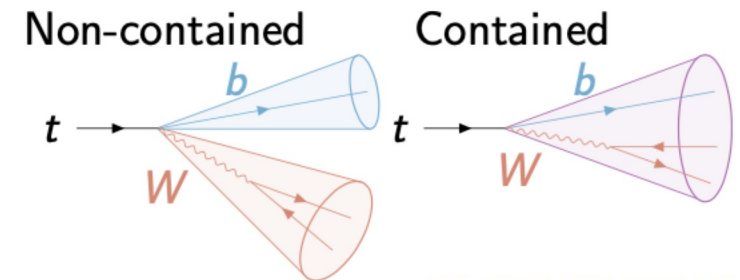
Background rejection improved by factor 2-3 in NN UFO tagger w.r.t .NN LCTopo tagger

- 3-var: p_T -dependent cuts on:**

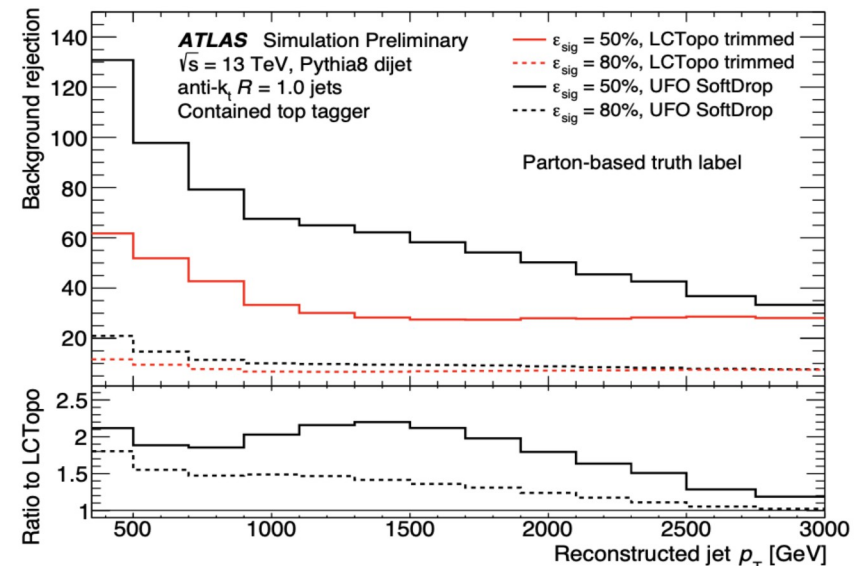
- Jet mass
- Number of associated tracks: good quark/gluon discriminator
- D_2 correlation function: exploit 2-prongedness of W/Z boson decay
- ML: Neural network with >10 different inputs**
- Decorrelated versions:**
 - Tagger may introduce unwanted mass shaping of the background
 - Adversarial Neural Network (ANN) successfully decorrelates

Boosted top tagging with UFO jets

- Two Deep-NN based top taggers defined:
 - Contained and inclusive (any jet that contains parts of the decay) tops
 - For 50% and 80% signal efficiency, p_T -dependent
 - 15 different jet substructure variables used as inputs (see backup for full list)
- Some observations:
 - 80% working point:
 - Inclusive: $\sim 20\%$ better rejection for $p_T < 1.5$ TeV
 - Contained: Better over whole range wrt LCTopo taggers
 - 50% working point: clear improvement for inclusive and contained top taggers

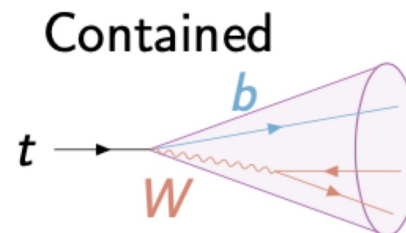


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Boosted top tagging with UFO jets: constituent-based

- Another recent development are **constituent-based top taggers**:
 - Using low-level features based on 4-vectors of jet constituents. The information is combined with larger and more complex ML classifiers
 - Constituent level information pre-processed to exploit known symmetries
 - Contained boosted top case considered

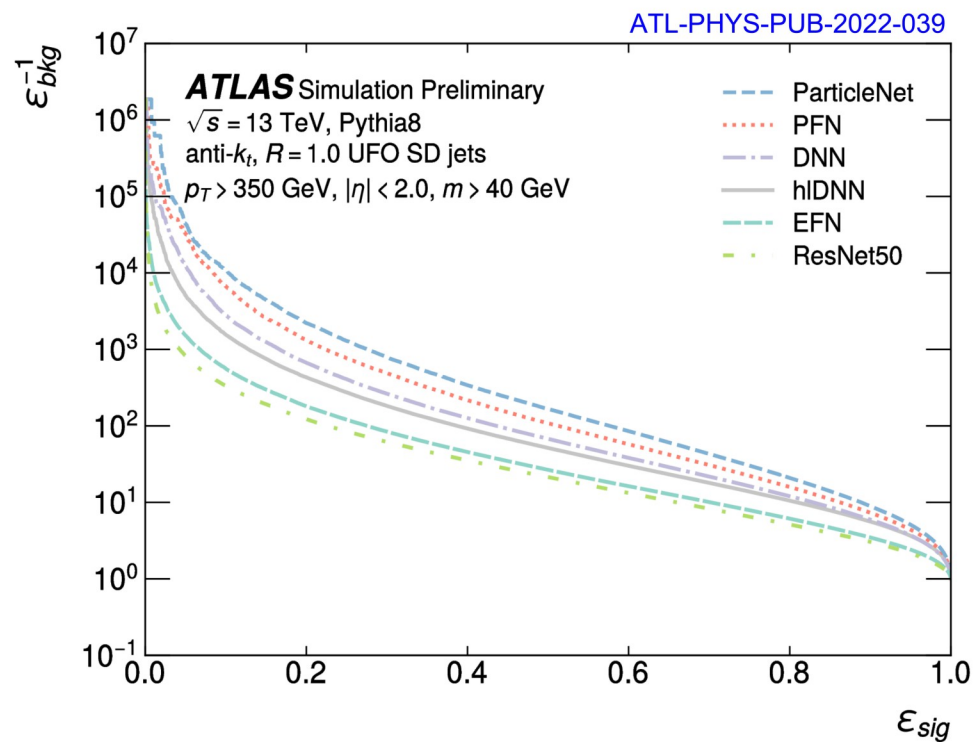


- What algorithms were studied?**

- hIDNN**: Baseline similar to DNN top tagger used by ATLAS in Run-2
- DNN**: Using constituent 4-momenta
- EFN/PFN**: Energy/Particle-flow networks
- ResNet50**: CNN using jet images
- ParticleNet**: Dynamic Graph-CNN

- Some observations:**

- ParticleNet** and **PFN** show best performance
- More details in next slide



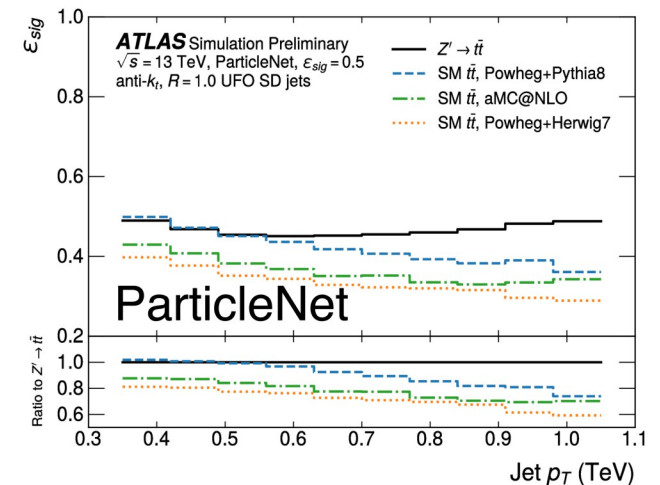
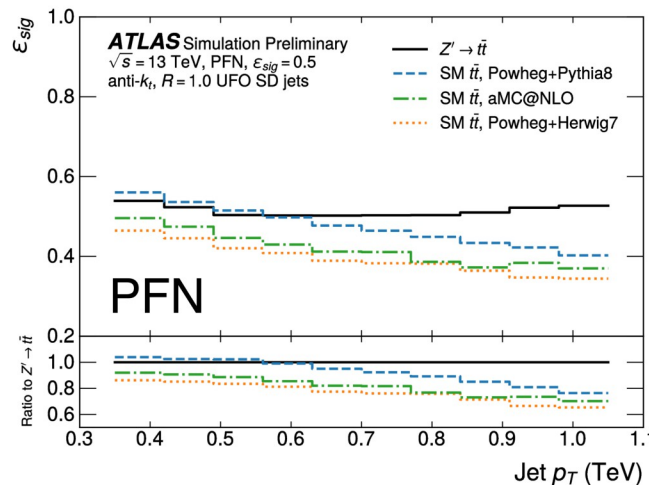
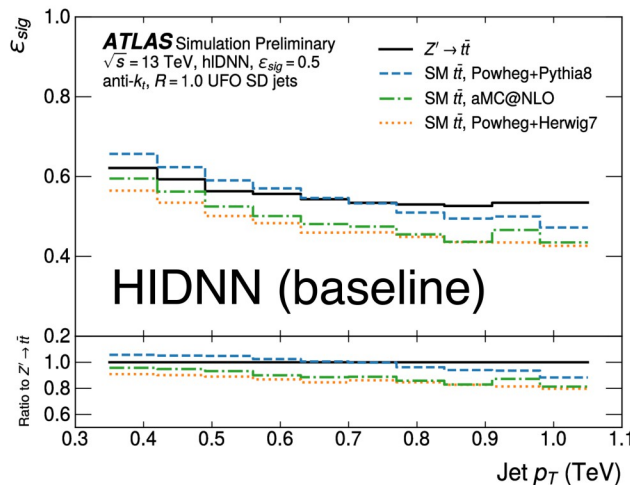
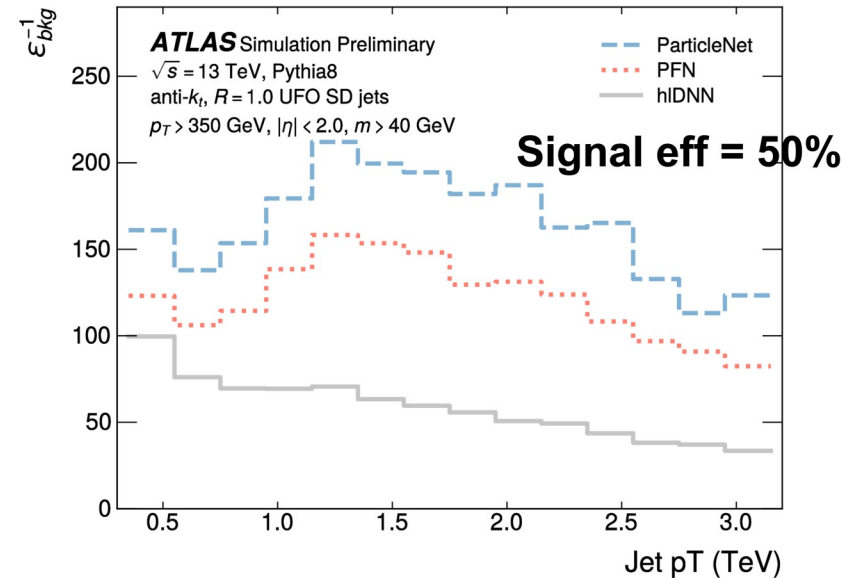
Simulated dataset used for training is public and documented:

<http://opendata.cern.ch/record/15013>

Boosted top tagging with UFO jets: constituent-based

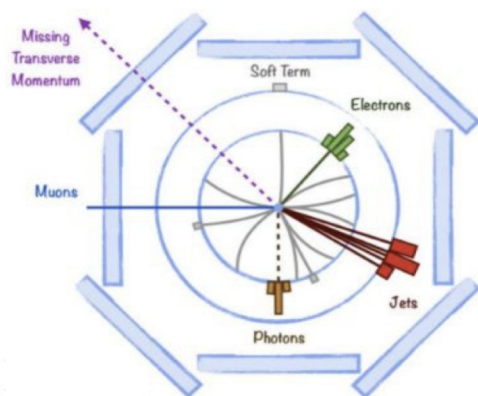
- ParticleNet and PFN achieve $\sim 2\text{-}3\times$ improvement in background rejection across kinematic range
- The MC modelling dependence was also studied for these new taggers:
 - PFN and Particle Net show increased model dependence wrt hIDNN (baseline)
 - Contributing to modelling uncertainties in physics analyses. *Important to understand the cause for future developments!*
 - To reduce the MC modelling uncertainty dedicated calibrations could be derived

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METNet: a MET combined working point using NN

- MET corresponds to the experimental proxy for the transverse momentum of undetected particles
 - Real MET: neutrinos, stable BSM particles, e.g. dark matter
 - Fake MET: smearing from pile-up, mis-measured objects, finite detector acceptance, etc
- **Current approach in ATLAS: Object based MET reconstruction method**
 - Calculated from the negative sum of the momenta the calibrated hard objects
 - Several different selections on jets are supported e.g. “tight”: higher p_T cuts on forward jets → **Different MET working points**



$$\mathbf{E}_T^{\text{miss}} = - \underbrace{\sum_{\text{selected electrons}} \mathbf{p}_T^e}_{\mathbf{E}_T^{\text{miss},e}} - \underbrace{\sum_{\text{accepted photons}} \mathbf{p}_T^\gamma}_{\mathbf{E}_T^{\text{miss},\gamma}} - \underbrace{\sum_{\text{accepted } \tau\text{-leptons}} \mathbf{p}_T^{\tau\text{had}}}_{\mathbf{E}_T^{\text{miss},\tau\text{had}}} - \underbrace{\sum_{\text{selected muons}} \mathbf{p}_T^\mu}_{\mathbf{E}_T^{\text{miss},\mu}} - \underbrace{\sum_{\text{accepted jets}} \mathbf{p}_T^{\text{jet}}}_{\mathbf{E}_T^{\text{miss},\text{jet}}} - \underbrace{\sum_{\text{unused tracks}} \mathbf{p}_T^{\text{track}}}_{\mathbf{E}_T^{\text{miss},\text{soft}}}$$

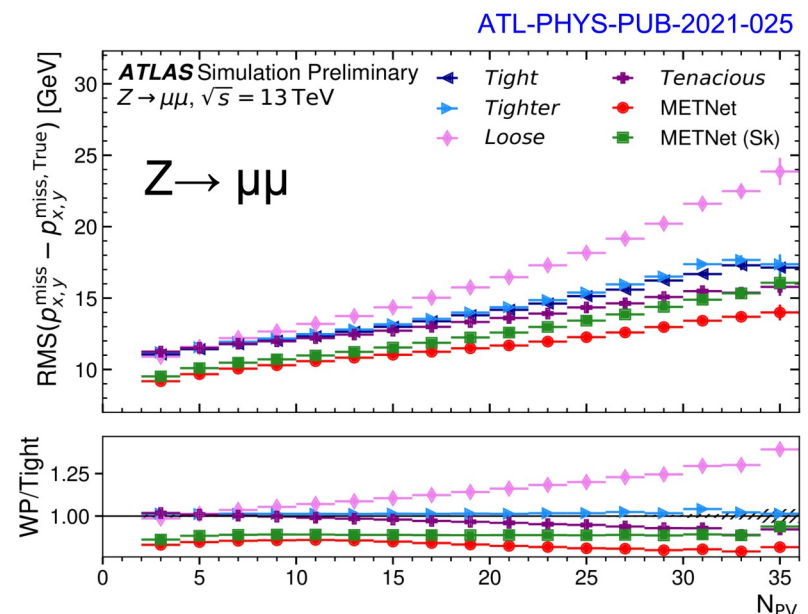
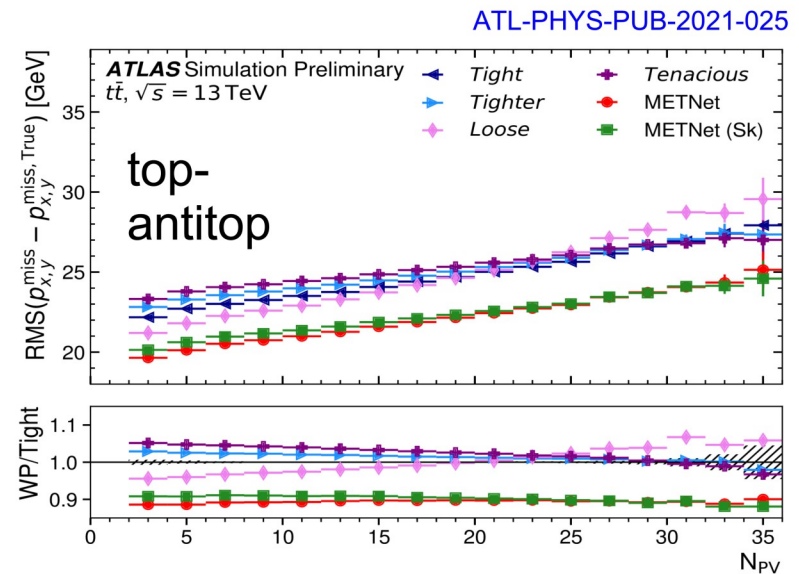
hard term
soft term

(+ internal overlap removal)

- **New developments:**
 - Currently analyses chose one MET working point to use for every event... But the optimal one for a given event depends on the pile-up and event topologies
 - **What if we could pick a different MET working point for each event?**
 - Could ML help us?

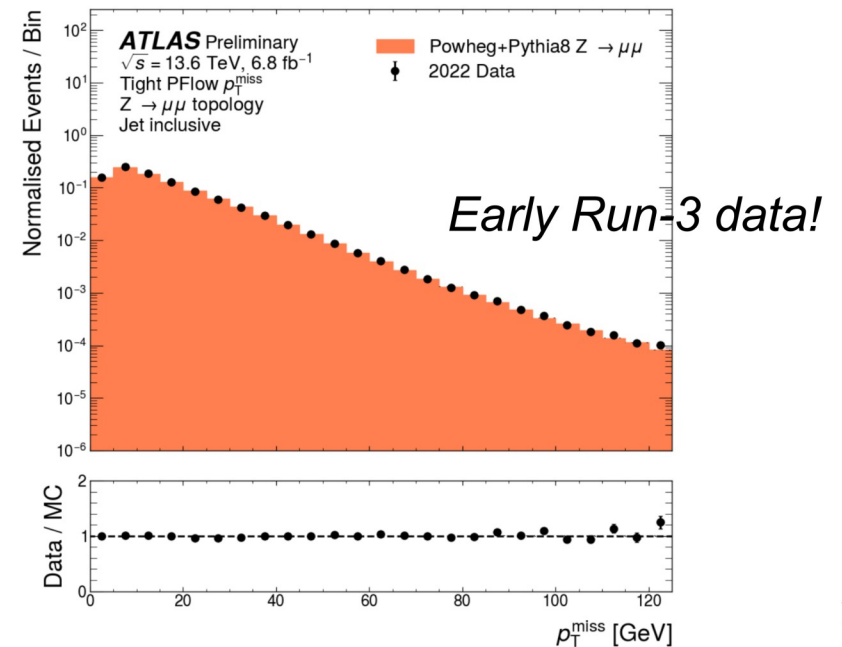
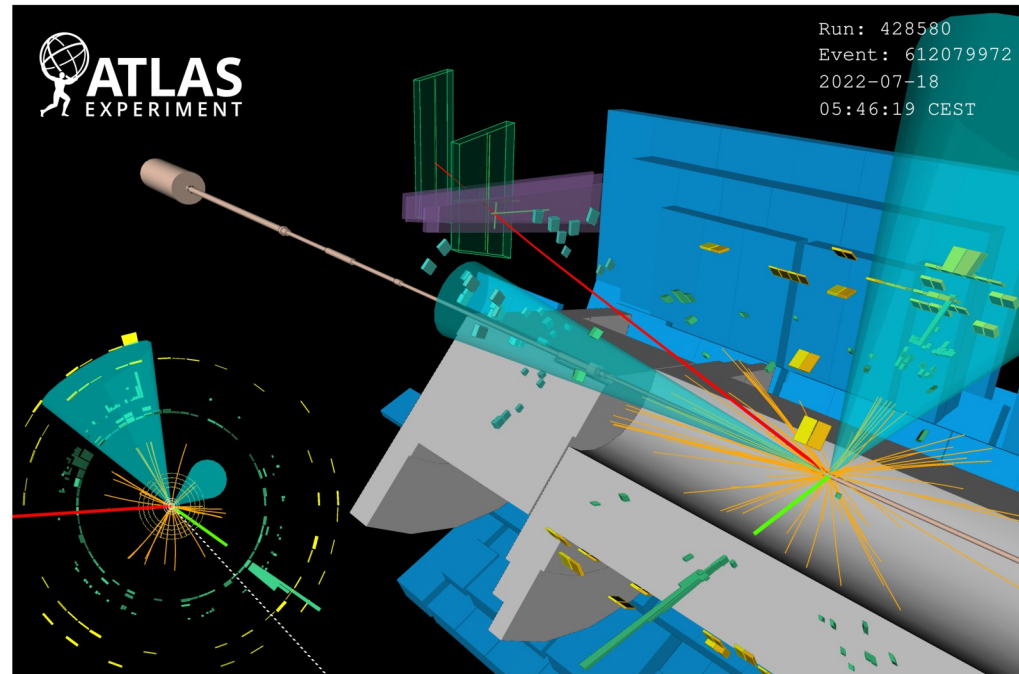
METNet: a MET combined working point using NN

- **METNet is a neural network** trained on simulation to perform a regression
 - Uses p_T^{miss} and event kinematics and conditions as inputs
 - Trained on a mix of topologies: top-antitop, WW and ZZ events
- Resulting in:
 - **Improved resolution when comparing with ATLAS current standard working points**
 - Even when studying processes not included in the training like single top and $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$
 - Good p_T^{miss} response and distribution bias
 - Use of additional "Sinkhorn" loss can help with tails
 - Promising studies indicate **potential to significantly improve p_T^{miss} resolution** using ML techniques
 - Further optimisations are possible, e.g. including tracking information



Summarising

- Hadronic objects reconstruction, calibration and tagging important for precision measurements and BSM exploration at the LHC (and beyond)
- Great deal of improvements in the field during Run-2 and the LS2 from cutting-edge machine learning and artificial intelligence algorithms
 - Also exploring different techniques and phase-spaces (see [L. Ginabat's talk](#))
- Run-3 just started, a great opportunity to exploit these developments and continue refining our strategies
 - Lots of work ongoing in that direction, stay tuned!



BACKUP

Substructure variables

W/Z tagger (NN/ANN)

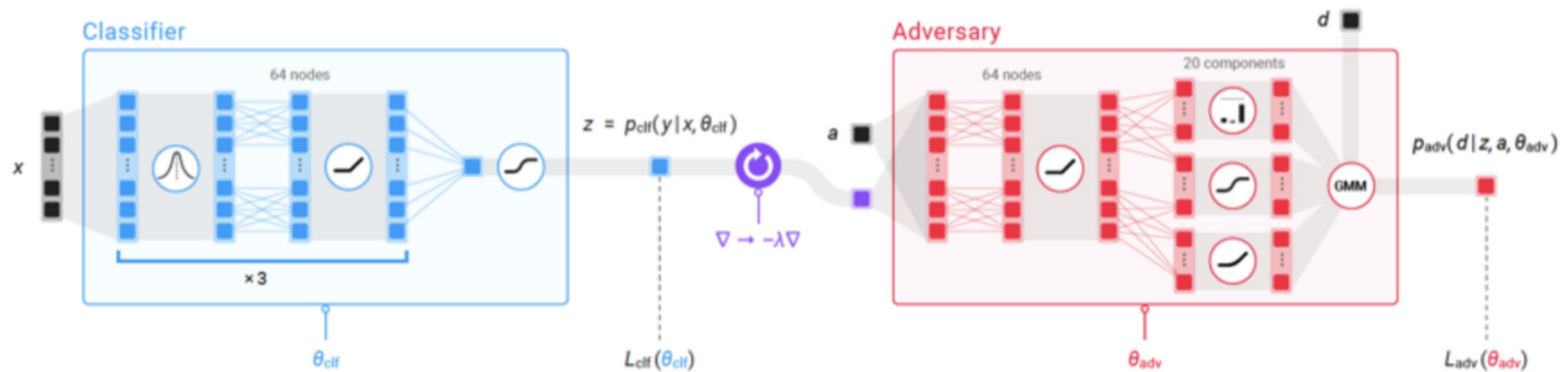
D_2, C_2	Energy correlation ratios
τ_{21}	N -subjettiness
R_2^{FW}	Fox-Wolfram moment
\mathcal{P}	Planar flow
a_3	Angularity
A	Aplanarity
Z_{cut}	Z -Splitting scales
$\sqrt{d_{12}}$	d -Splitting scales
$K_t \Delta R$	k_t -subjettiness ΔR
n_{trk}	number of tracks

Top tagger (DNN)

$\tau_1, \tau_2, \tau_3, \tau_4$	N -subjettiness
$\sqrt{d_{12}}, \sqrt{d_{23}}$	Splitting scales
$\text{ECF}_1, \text{ECF}_2, \text{ECF}_3$	Energy correlation (EC) functions
C_2, D_2	EC ratios
L_2, L_3	Generalised EC ratios
Q_W	Invariant mass / virtuality
T_M	Thrust major

Adversarial Neural Network

Adversarial Neural Network



Classifier Network

- Classifies signal vs. background jets by computing \mathbf{z} .
- Feed-forwards \mathbf{z} to adversary.
- Mass decorrelation by minimizing jet mass information in \mathbf{z} and making it harder for the Adversary to infer jet mass.

Adversary Network

- Infers jet mass \mathbf{d} , by constructing a Gaussian Mixture Model pdf and computing $p(\mathbf{d})$.
- Loss function = $-\log p(\mathbf{d})$
- Back-propagates loss via a gradient reversal channel to classifier (controlled by λ).

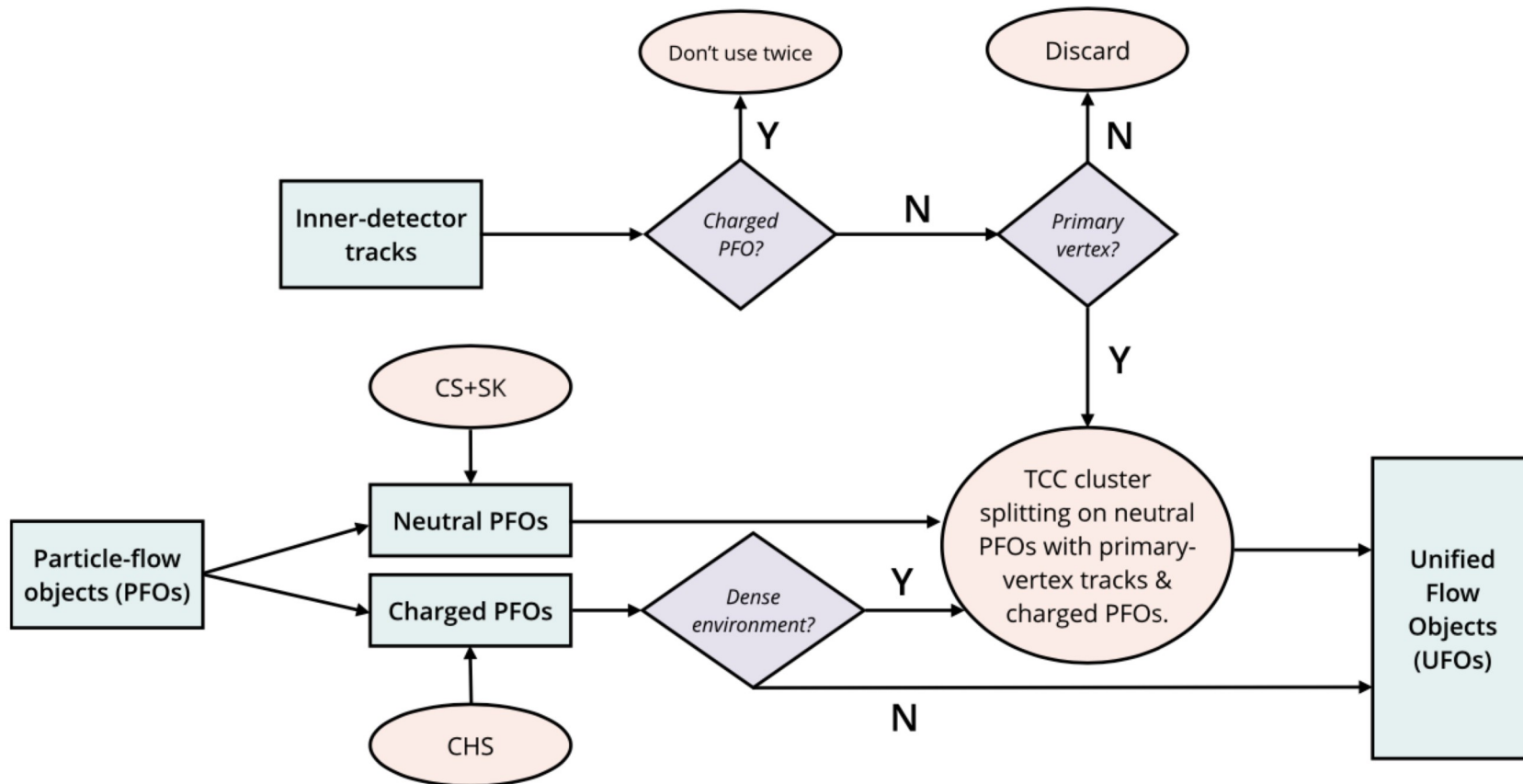
Joint Objectives: signal vs. background jet classification + minimal jet mass correlation.

Top constituent-based tagger

Model	AUC	ACC	ε_{bkg}^{-1} @ $\varepsilon_{sig} = 0.5$	ε_{bkg}^{-1} @ $\varepsilon_{sig} = 0.8$	# Params	Inference Time
ResNet 50	0.885	0.803	21.4	5.13	1,486,209	9 ms
EFN	0.901	0.819	26.6	6.12	1,670,451	4 ms
hIDNN	0.938	0.863	51.5	10.5	93,151	3 ms
DNN	0.942	0.868	67.7	12.0	876,641	3 ms
PFN	0.954	0.882	108.0	15.9	689,801	4 ms
ParticleNet	0.961	0.894	153.7	20.4	764,887	38 ms

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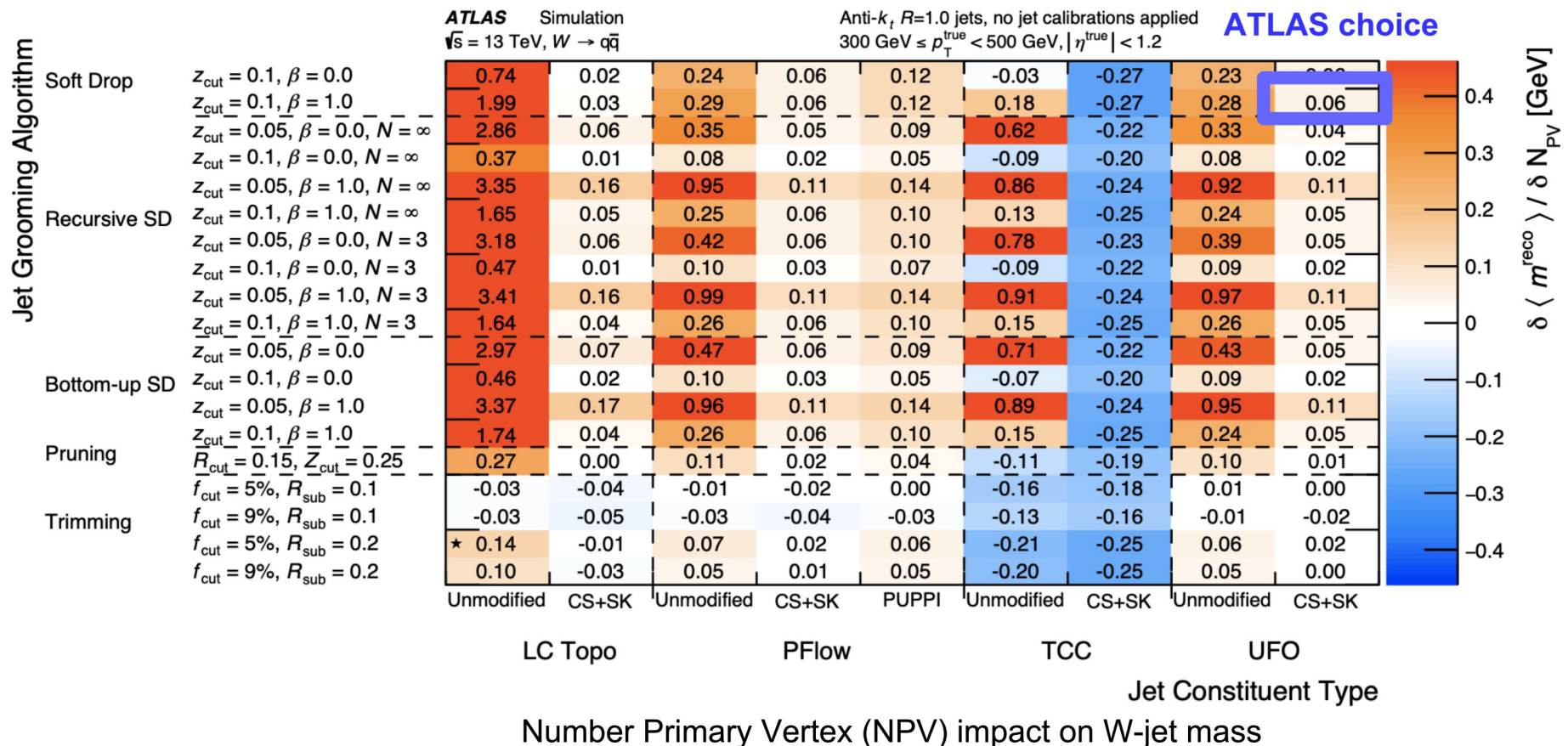
UFO algorithm



A new set of constituents/inputs: Unified Flow Objects

- UFO currently being commissioned as baseline for large-radius jets, following a long-term reoptimisation campaign during Run 2 and the long shutdown that followed
 - Criteria used:** jet energy and mass resolution, pile-up stability, W/Z/Top tagging performance
 - Choice:** UFO constituents, "Charged Subtraction"+"Soft Killer" pile-up mitigation and Soft Drop ($Z=0.1, \beta=1$) grooming technique (to remove energy from pile-up and possibly from underlying event)

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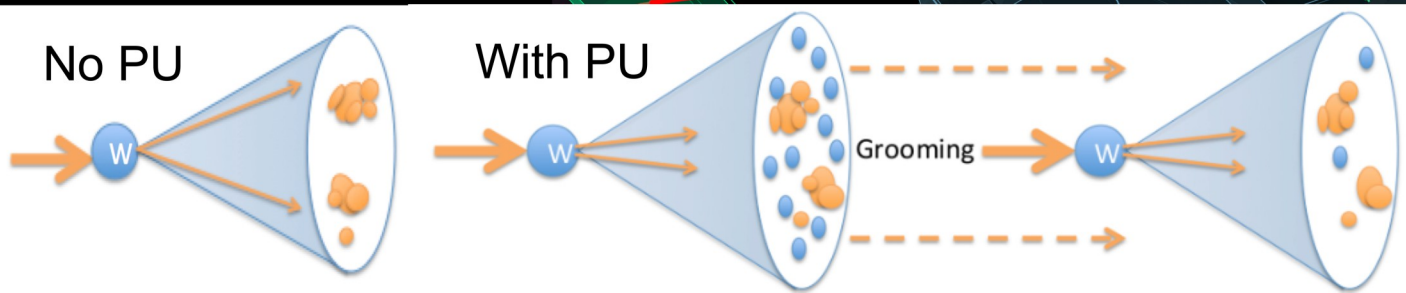


Simulated $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ event
Pileup $\mu = 2$

There are many challenges and the large number of additional interactions (pile-up) is one of them

PU treated for jets at different levels:

- in the calibration
- at the inputs
- using grooming techniques for large-radius jets



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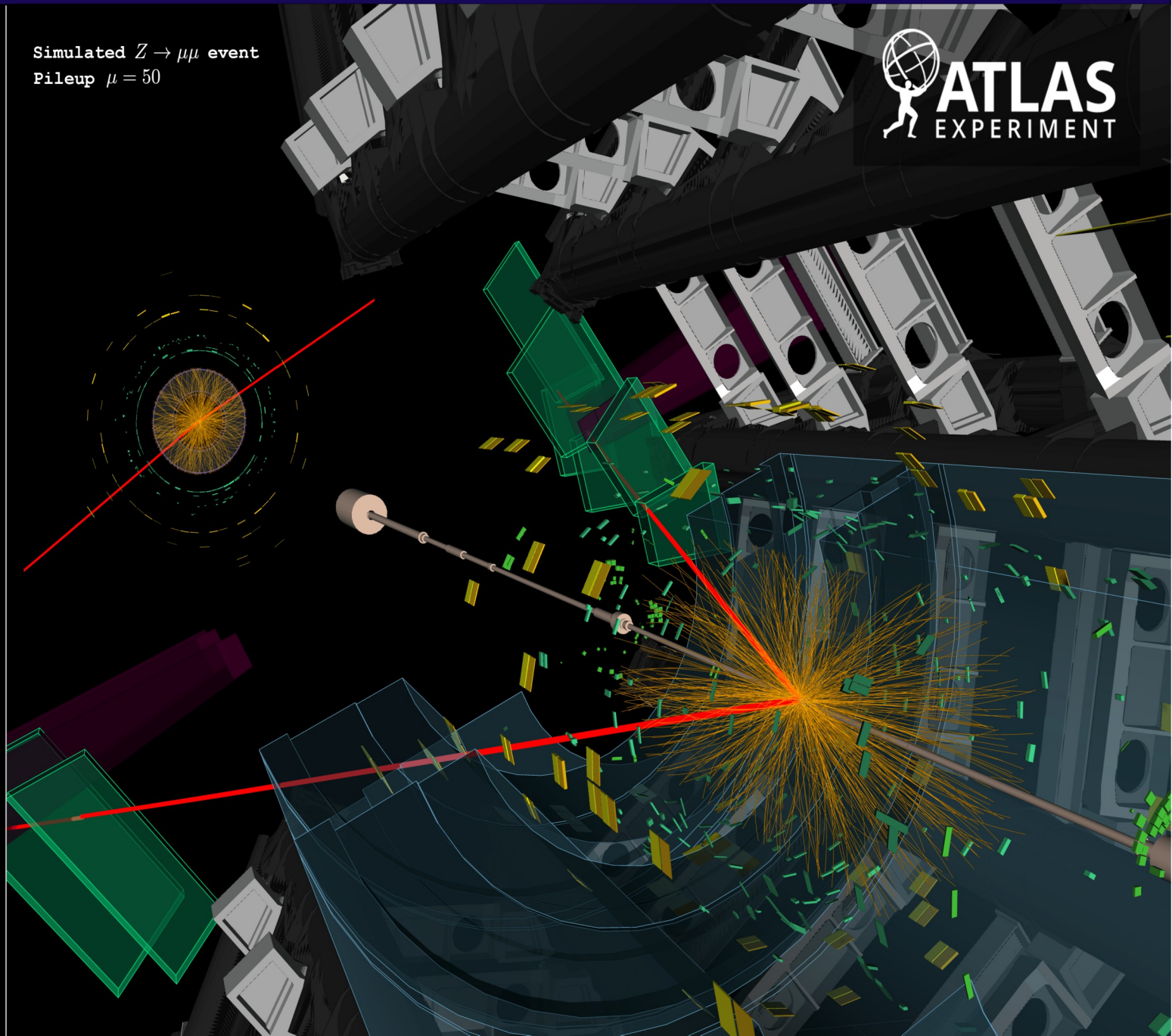
Simulated $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ event
Pileup $\mu = 50$



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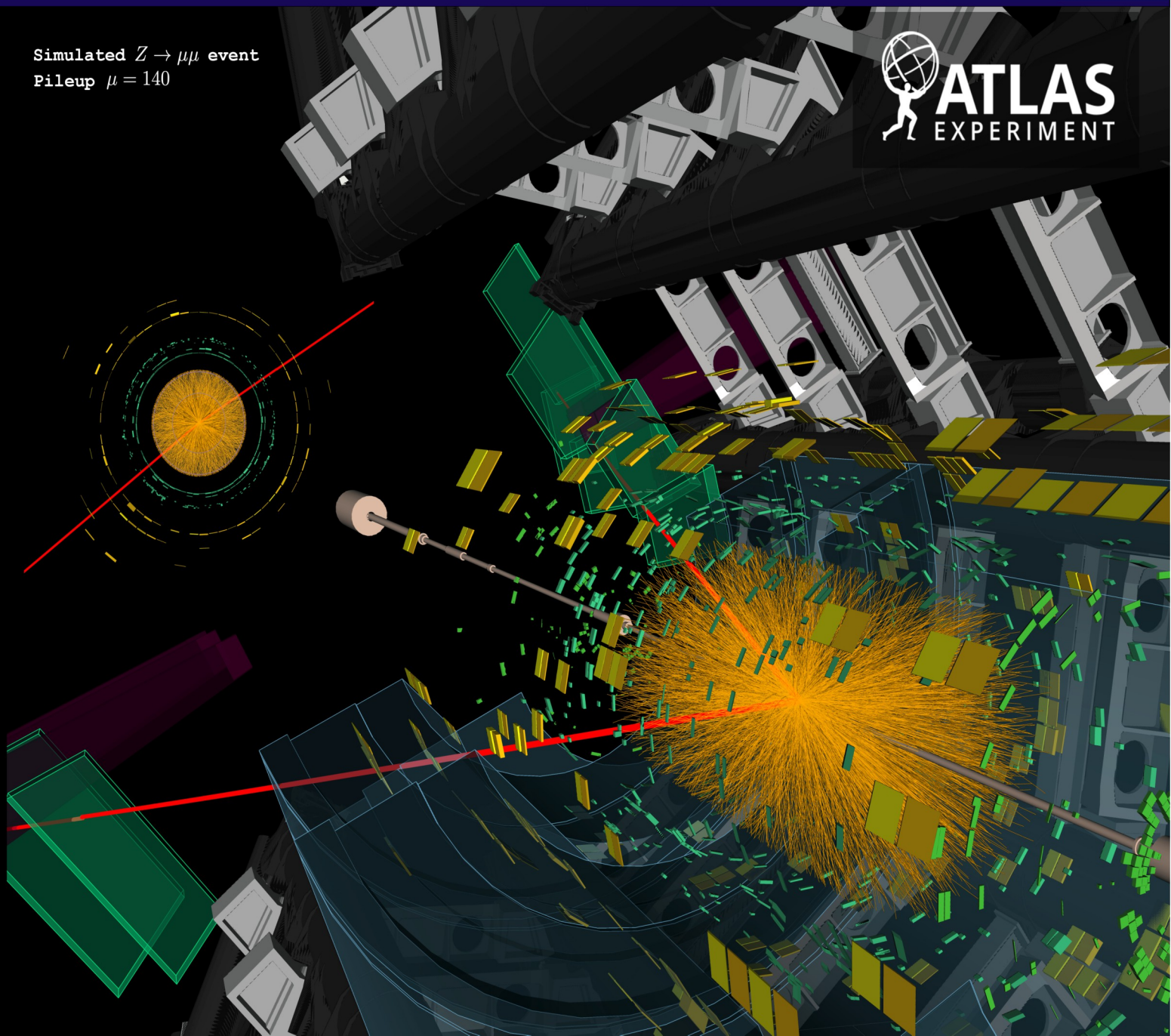
Simulated $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ event
Pileup $\mu = 140$



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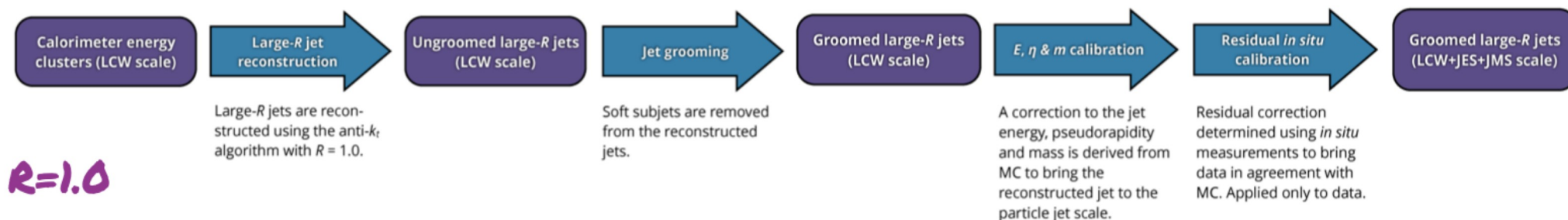
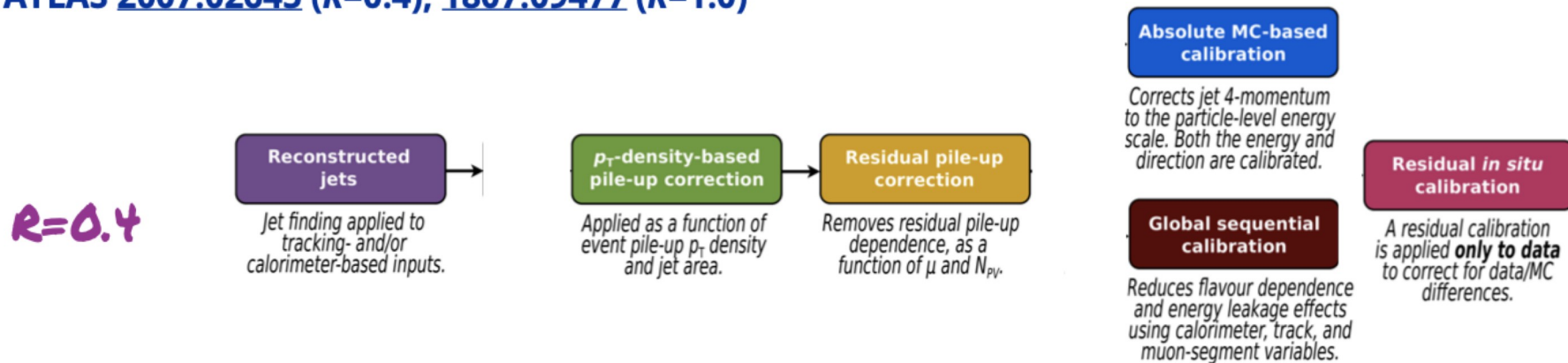
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Jet calibration chain

From Matt LeBlanc Semi-Visible Jets
Workshop @ ETH Zurich, July 2022

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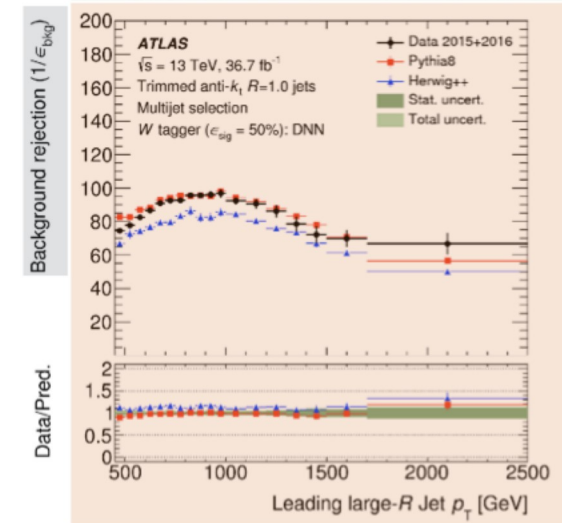
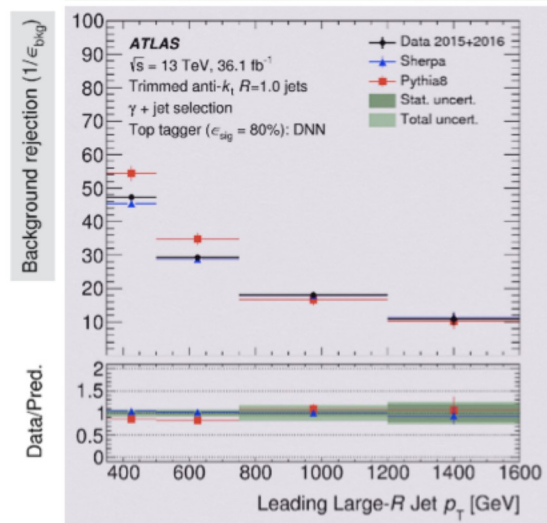
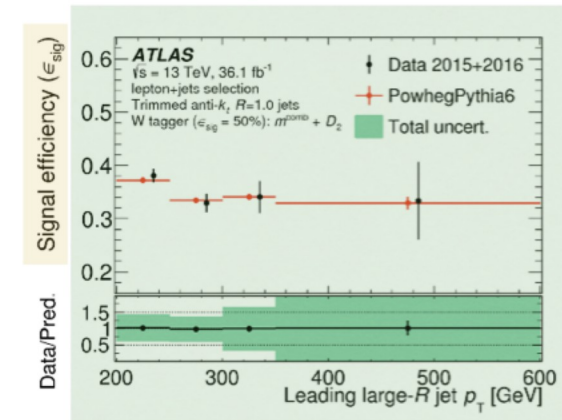
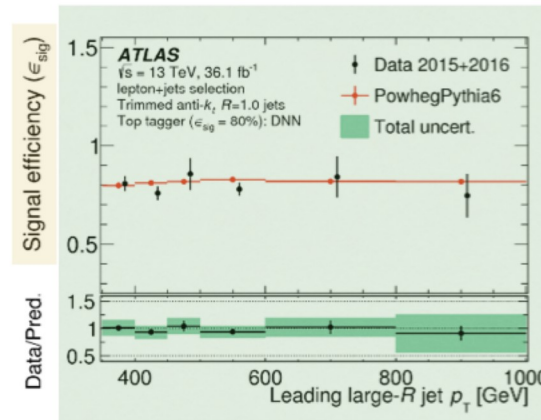
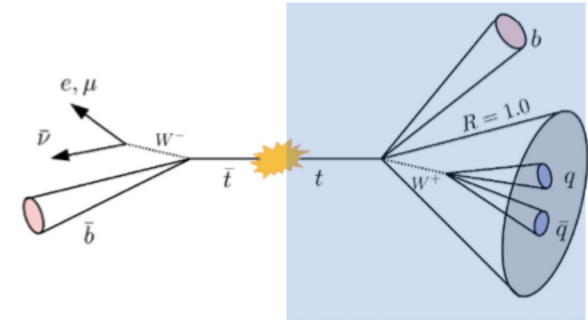
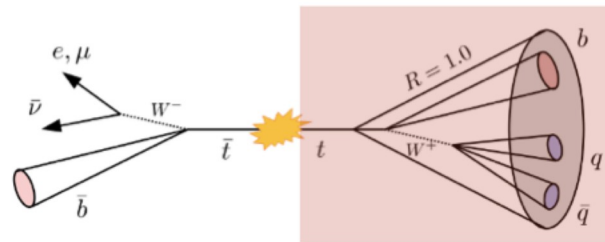


- The **jet calibration sequence** corrects for pile-up, restores $\langle p_T^{\text{reco}}/p_T^{\text{true}} \rangle = 1$ with MC-based correction, improves the resolution, and then corrects the response in data to match that in MC
- **Many steps which need to be performed sequentially!**

Jet tagging: how do we calibrate the taggers?

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- Correct the tagger efficiency in MC to match the one in data
- For W/top taggers
 - Primarily look at top-antitop events for signal calibration
 - Dijet and photon+jet samples used for calibrating background rejection
- For H→bb taggers:
 - Z/gamma+jets for the signal
 - Top-antitop and g→bb for background



Adapted from Brian Le, ATLAS Flavour Tagging Workshop 2022

Missing transverse momentum

Table 2: Jet selections for the p_T^{miss} working points used in this study.

Working point	p_T [GeV] for jets with:		Selections	
	$ \eta < 2.4$	$2.4 < \eta < 4.5$	JVT for jets with $ \eta < 2.4$	fJVT for jets with $2.5 < \eta < 4.5$ and $p_T < 120$ GeV
<i>Loose</i>	> 20	> 20	> 0.5 for $p_T < 60$ GeV jets	-
<i>Tight</i>	> 20	> 30	> 0.5 for $p_T < 60$ GeV jets	< 0.4
<i>Tighter</i>	> 20	> 35	> 0.5 for $p_T < 60$ GeV jets	-
<i>Tenacious</i>	> 20	> 35	> 0.91 for $20 < p_T < 40$ GeV jets > 0.59 for $40 < p_T < 60$ GeV jets > 0.11 for $60 < p_T < 120$ GeV jets	< 0.5

Table 3: Input variables used for each of the *Tight*, *Tighter*, *Loose*, and *Tenacious* p_T^{miss} working points. Note for the *Tight* working point the four soft p_T^{miss} variables as well as p_x^{miss} and p_y^{miss} are excluded.

p_T^{miss}	p_x^{miss}	p_y^{miss}	$\sum p_T$
$p_{T, \text{miss, jet}}^{\text{miss}}$	$p_{x, \text{miss, jet}}^{\text{miss}}$	$p_{y, \text{miss, jet}}^{\text{miss}}$	$\sum p_T^{\text{jet}}$
$p_{T, \text{miss, soft}}^{\text{miss}}$	$p_{x, \text{miss, soft}}^{\text{miss}}$	$p_{y, \text{miss, soft}}^{\text{miss}}$	$\sum p_T^{\text{soft}}$

4.1 Input and target features

The NN receives 60 event variables as input features, including:

1. p_T^{miss} predictions and unique jet- and soft- terms for each working point (see Table 3).
2. Lepton p_T^{miss} terms (see Table 4). These terms are independent of the working point used.
3. Additional variables which characterise the pile-up and topology of each event (see Table 5).

Input features for both training and testing data are passed through two pre-processing steps:

- (1) Rotate each event such that $p_T^{\text{miss, Tight}}$ points along the x-axis by construction. This removes ϕ invariance from the inputs, increasing the statistical power of the training data.
- (2) Standardise each input and output variable by subtracting the mean and dividing by the standard deviation. This is standard practice for deep learning regression problems.

Table 4: Lepton p_T^{miss} term input variables.

$p_T^{\text{miss, e}}$	$p_x^{\text{miss, e}}$	$p_y^{\text{miss, e}}$	$\sum p_T^e$
$p_T^{\text{miss, } \mu}$	$p_x^{\text{miss, } \mu}$	$p_y^{\text{miss, } \mu}$	$\sum p_T^\mu$

Table 5: Additional input variables.

$\langle \mu \rangle$	Mean number of interactions per bunch crossing
N_{PV}	Number of primary vertices with at least 2 associated tracks
N_{PV^2}	Number of primary vertices with at least 2 associated tracks, excluding the hard-scatter vertex ⁵
N_{PV^4}	Number of primary vertices with at least 4 associated tracks
N_{trk}	Number of ID tracks associated with the primary vertex
N_e^b	Number of baseline electrons
N_μ^b	Number of baseline muons
N_e	Number of signal electrons
N_μ	Number of signal muons
N_J	Number of signal jets

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- EM: $|\eta| < 3.2$,
 - Pb/LAr calorimeter,
 - $22-26 X_0$, 1.2λ ,
 - 3 longitudinal sections,
 - $\Delta\eta \times \Delta\Phi = 0.025 \times 0.025 - 0.1 \times 0.1$
 - $\sigma/E \simeq 10\%/\sqrt{E}$.
- Central Hadronic: $|\eta| < 1.7$,
 - Fe/Scintillator sampling calorimeter
 - 7.4λ ,
 - 3 longitudinal sections,
 - $\Delta\eta \times \Delta\Phi = 0.1 \times 0.1 - 0.2 \times 0.1$,
 - $\sigma/E \simeq 50\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 0.03$.
- EndCap Hadronic: $1.7 < |\eta| < 3.2$,
 - Cu/LAr sampling calorimeter,
 - 4 longitudinal sections,
 - $\Delta\eta \times \Delta\Phi = 0.1 \times 0.1 - 0.2 \times 0.2$
- FCAL: $3 < |\eta| < 4.9$,
 - EM: Cu/LAr, HAD: W/LAr calorimeter,
 - 10λ ,
 - 1 EM + 2 HAD longitudinal sections,
 - $\Delta\eta \times \Delta\Phi = 0.75 \times 0.65 - 5.4 \times 4.7$