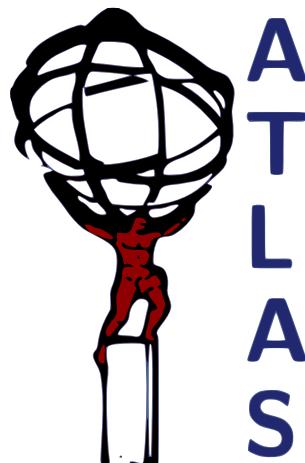


Hadronic tau decays in ATLAS

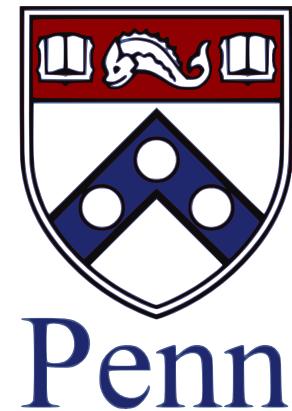
a review of the tau object reconstructed and supported by ATLAS and its current status



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Outline

Hadronic tau decays in ATLAS...

1. Introduction

motivation, dataset, *pile-up*

2. Reconstruction

seeding, vertex choice, track selection

3. Identification

jet and electron discriminants, performance

4. Triggering

tau chain, VBF triggers

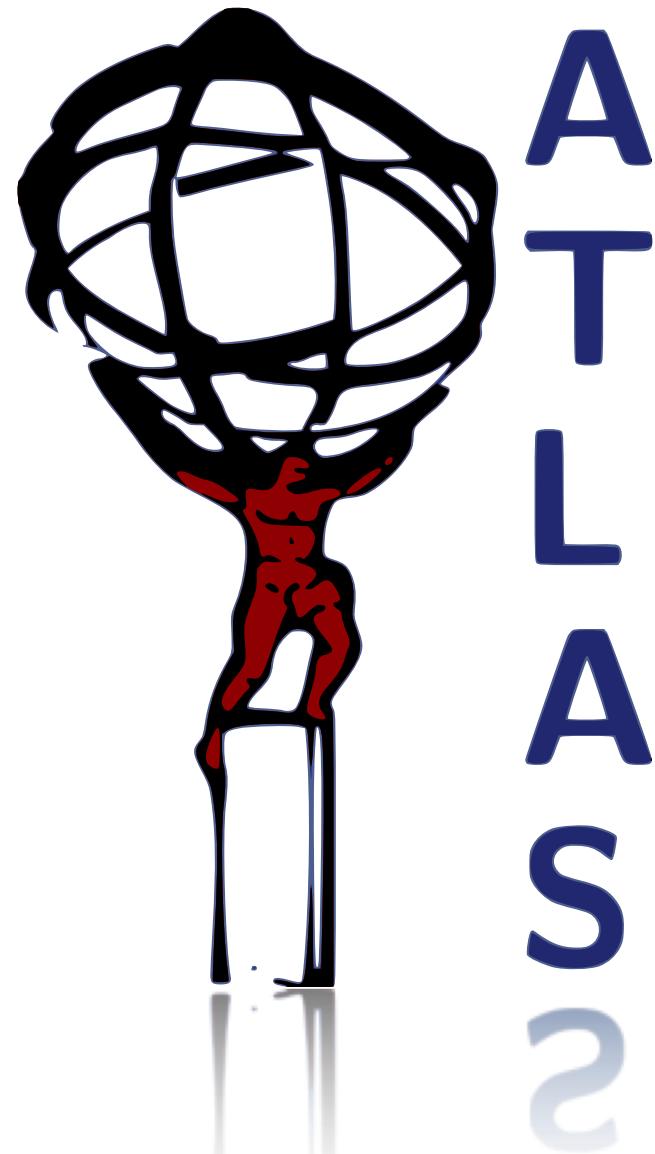
5. Systematic uncertainties

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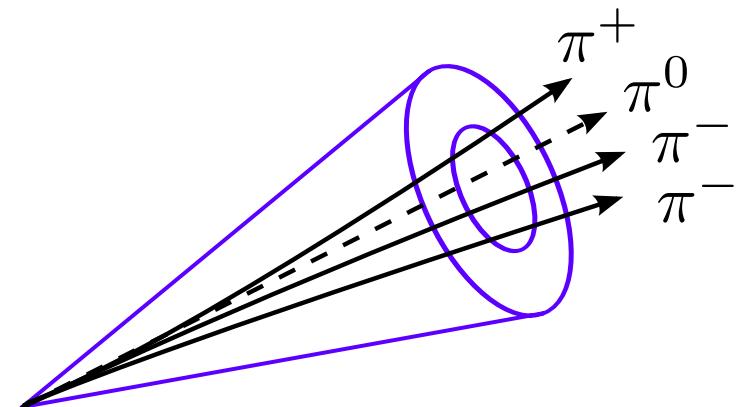
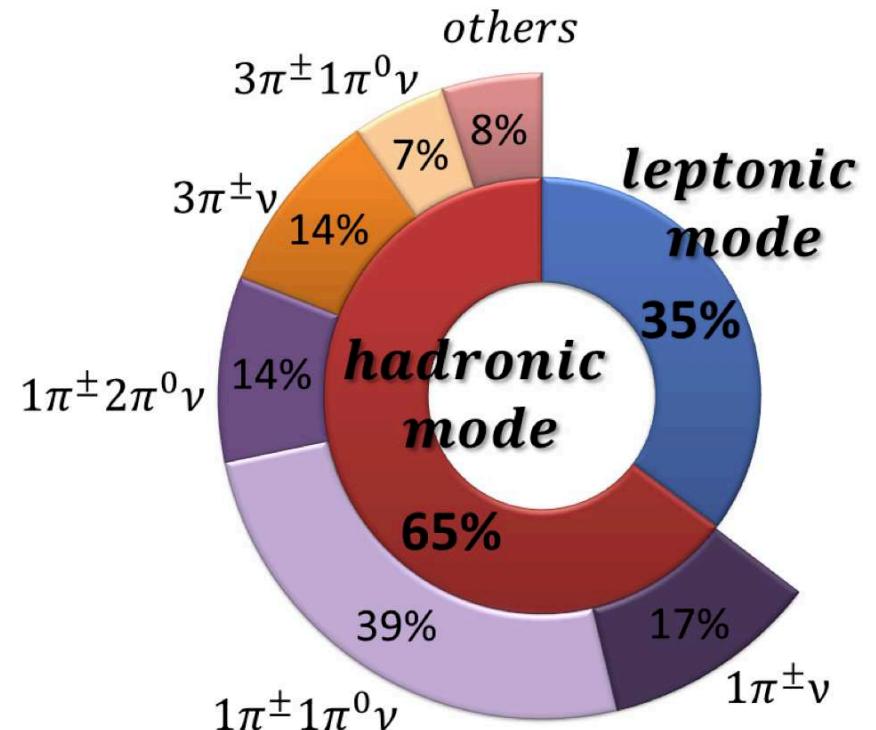
- Focus on current issues
- Adapting to luminosity increases
- Pile-up robustness
- Improving systematics with additional data

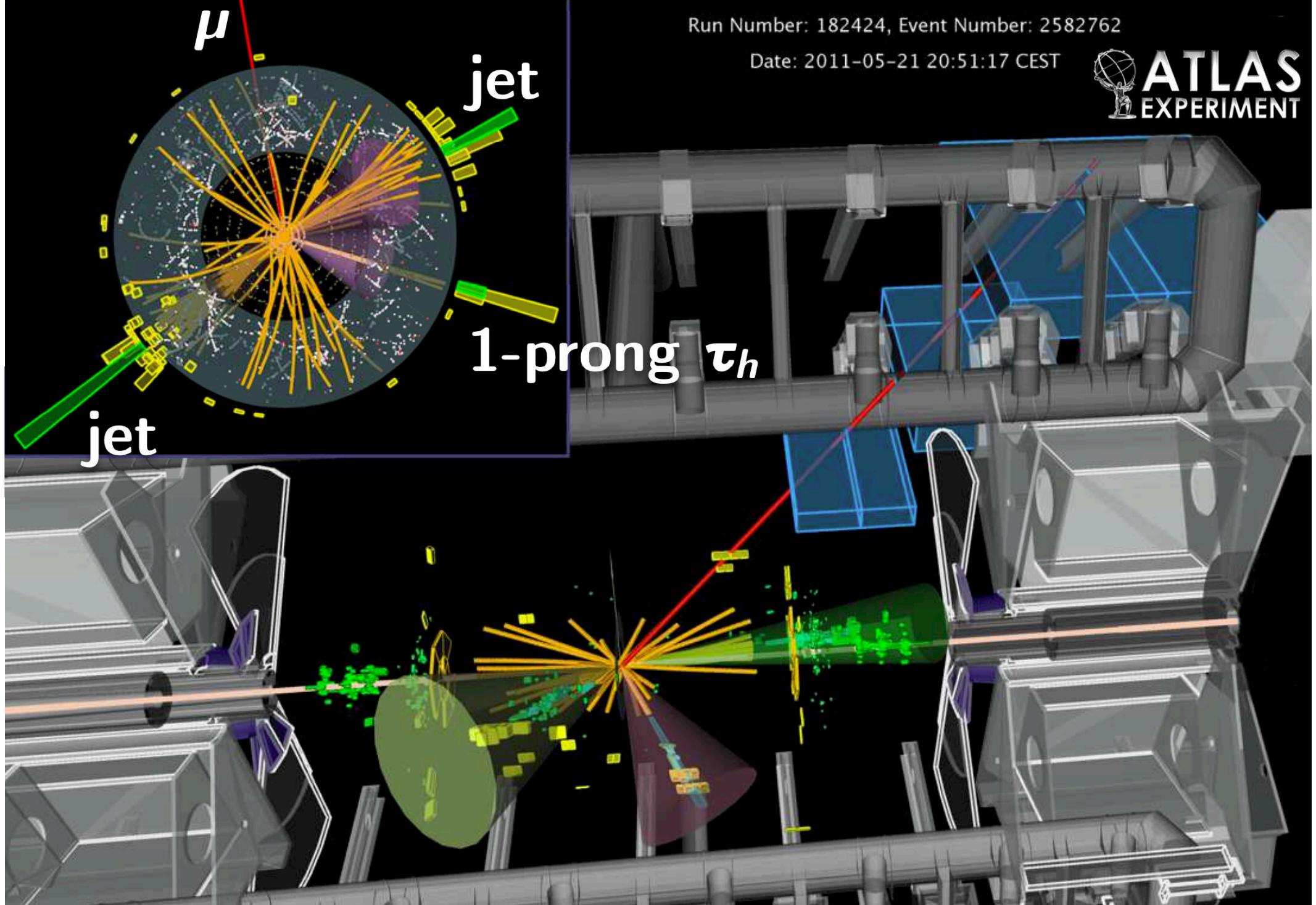
Introduction



What's a tau?

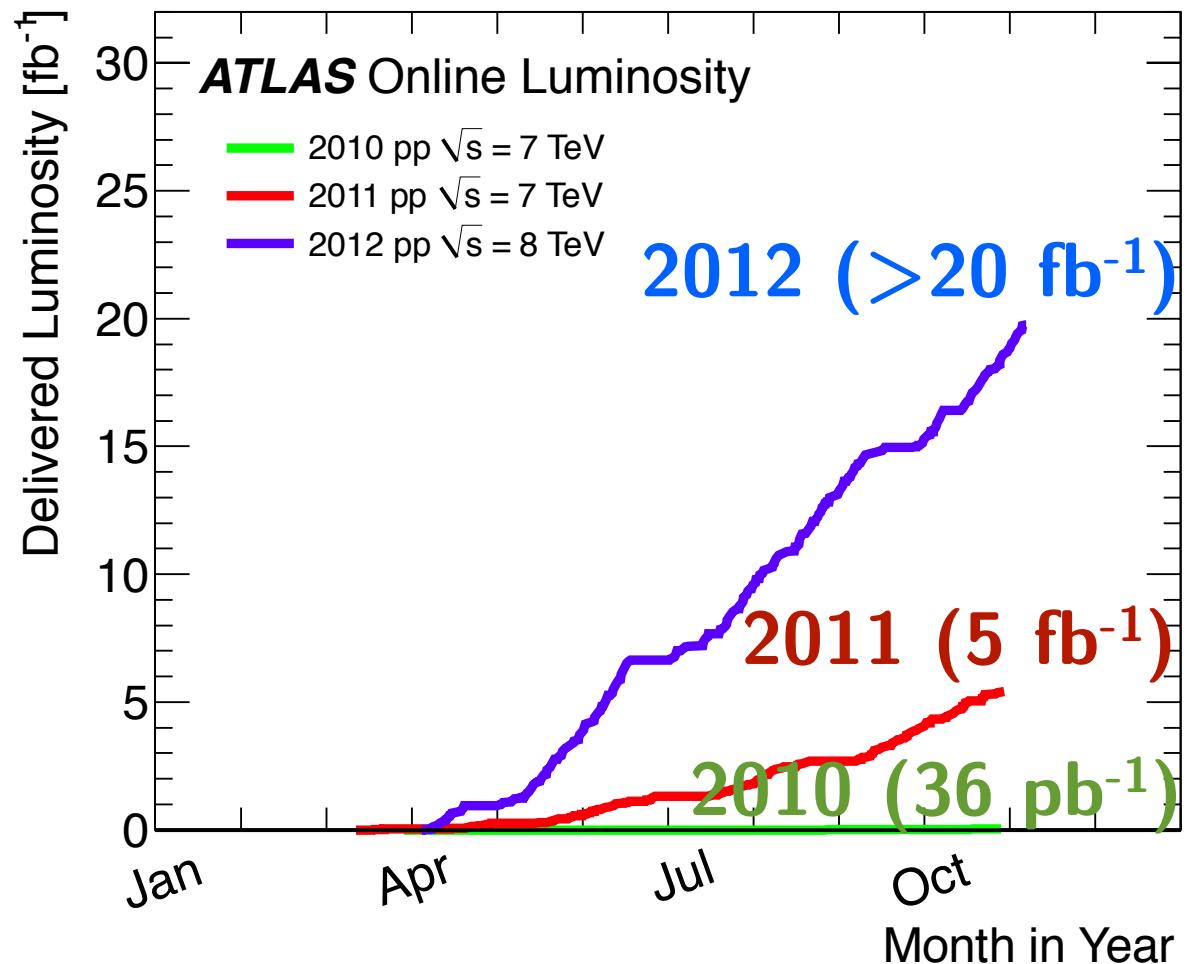
- Only lepton massive enough to decay hadronically.
- Decay in beam pipe: $c\tau \approx 87 \mu\text{m}$
- 65% hadronic
 - 50% 1-prong, 15% 3-prong.
- **Signature:** narrow jet with 1 or 3 tracks, possibly additional EM clusters.
- **Challenge:** large multijet background at hadron colliders.
- **Importance:** often preferred coupling to new physics
(SM $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$, $H^+ \rightarrow \tau^+\nu$, $Z' \rightarrow \tau\tau$, high- $\tan\beta$ SUSY...)





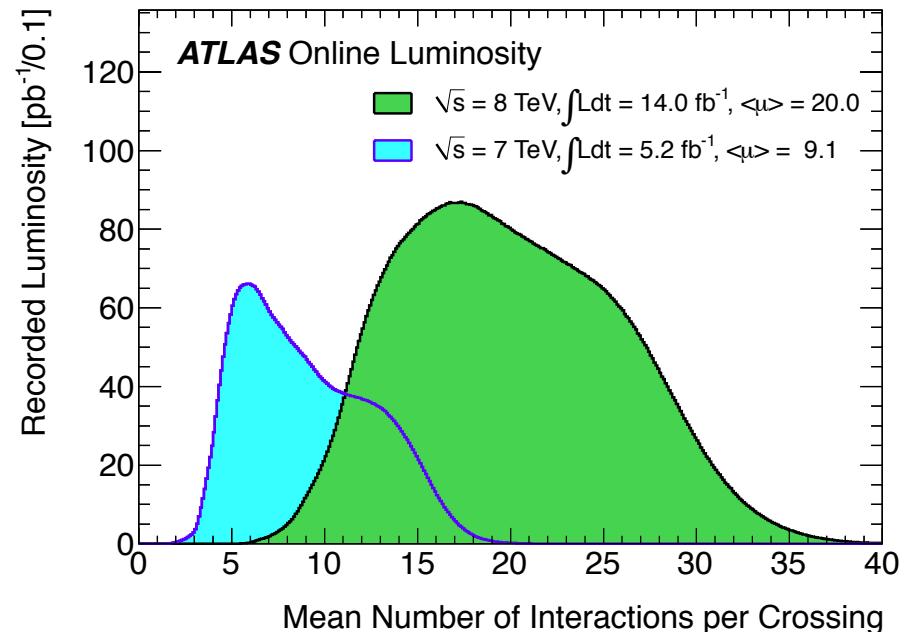
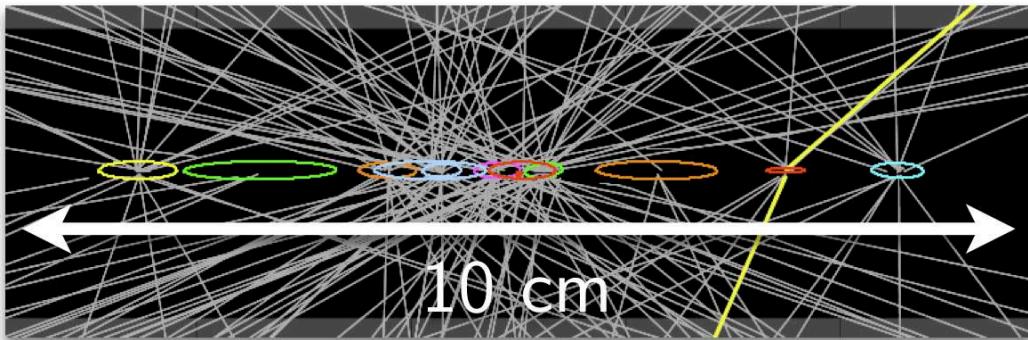
Timeline of taus at ATLAS

- Nov 2010: Obs. of $W \rightarrow \tau\nu$
- Feb 2011: Obs. of $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$
- July 2011: $W \rightarrow \tau\nu$ and $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ cross section measurements
- Feb 2012: $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ cross section with 1.5 fb^{-1} .
- June 2012: SM $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ excluded $3-4 \times \text{SM}$ at $m_H \approx 125 \text{ GeV}$ [arXiv:1206.5971]
- Several other analyses: MSSM $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$, $t\bar{t}$ with τ , $H^+ \rightarrow \tau\nu$, $Z' \rightarrow \tau\tau$, SUSY $\tau + \text{MET}$, ...



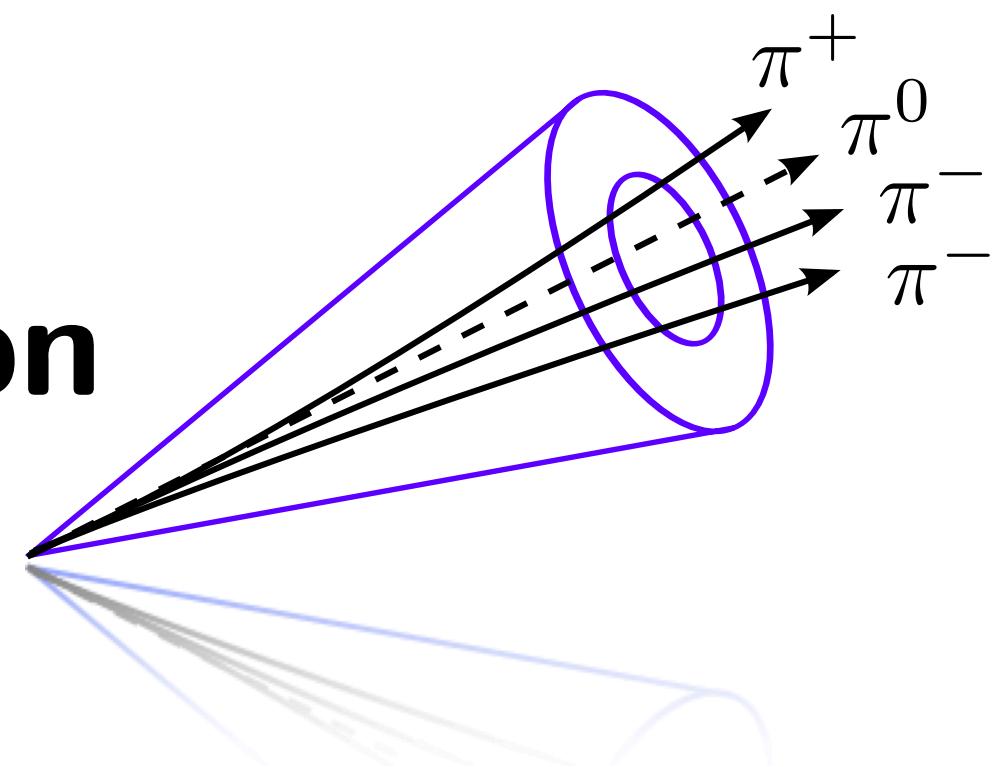
- Now eagerly waiting to see if $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ will be excluded at $1 \times \text{SM}$ this year?

Pile-up



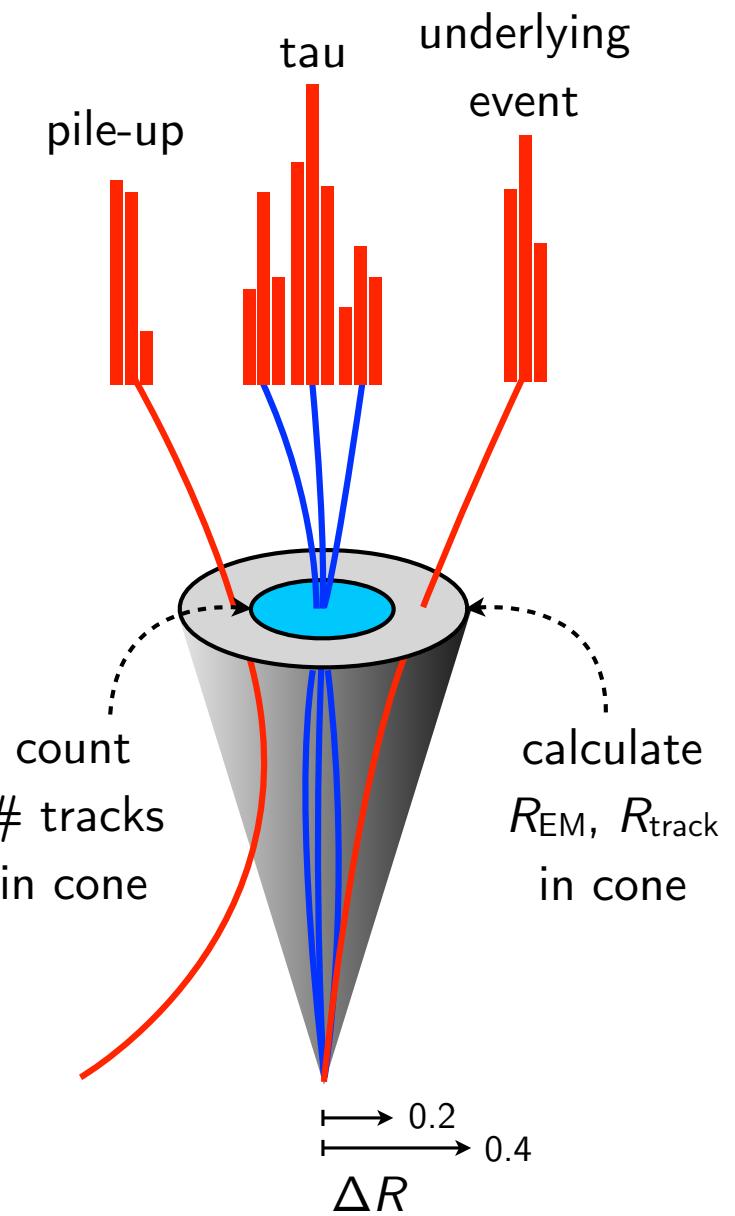
- 1-40 pile-up interactions / crossing
- The additional tracks and clusters from pile-up are especially challenging for tau identification, which discriminates hadronic tau decays from jets with isolation-related track and calorimeter quantities.
- Efforts in 2011→2012 involved re-defining or adding corrections to identification variables to be more robust against the increasing pile-up.

Reconstruction



Reconstruction

1. **Seeded by anti- k_t jets ($R=0.4$)** of 3-D topological calorimeter clusters.
2. **Define the four-momentum** as the jet-axis with a tau-specific calibration.
3. **Associate tracks** with the jet that are consistent with the chosen vertex.
4. **Calculate discriminating variables** from the combined calorimeter and tracking information, later used to identify hadronic tau decays with BDT and likelihood based discriminants.

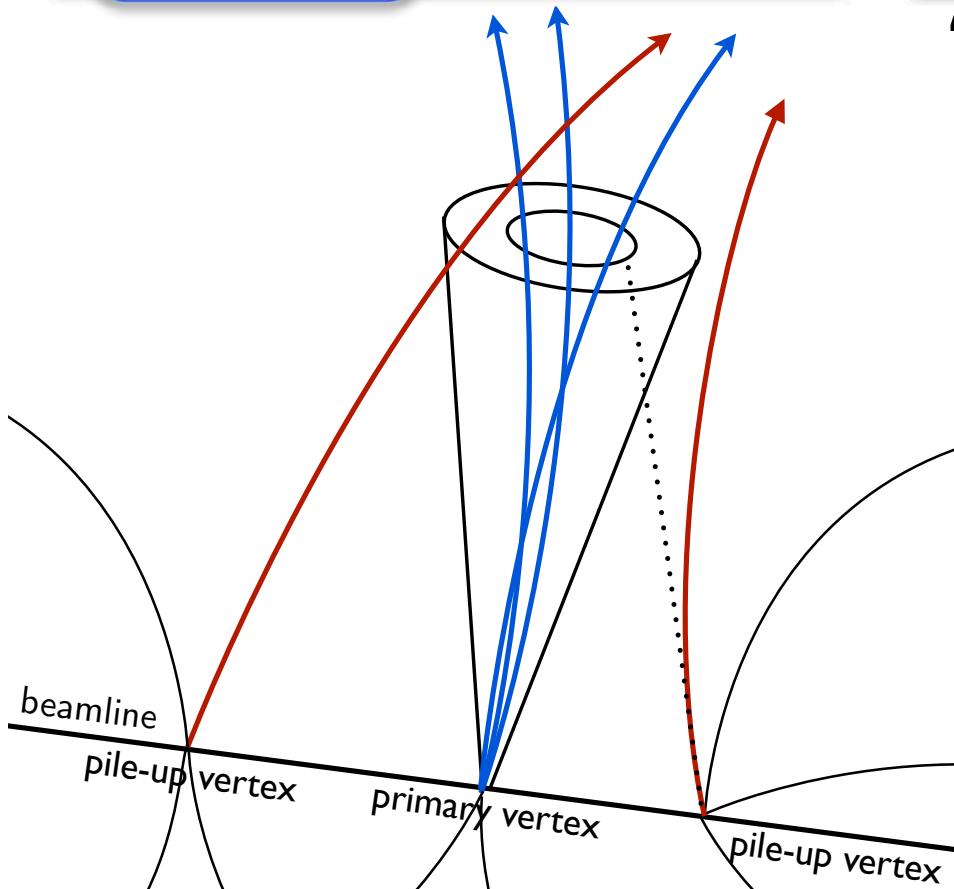


Tau vertex association

Tau track selection

- $p_T > 1 \text{ GeV}$,
- Number of pixel hits ≥ 2 ,
- Number of pixel hits + number of SCT hits ≥ 7 ,
- $|d_0| < 1.0 \text{ mm}$,
- $|z_0 \sin \theta| < 1.5 \text{ mm}$,

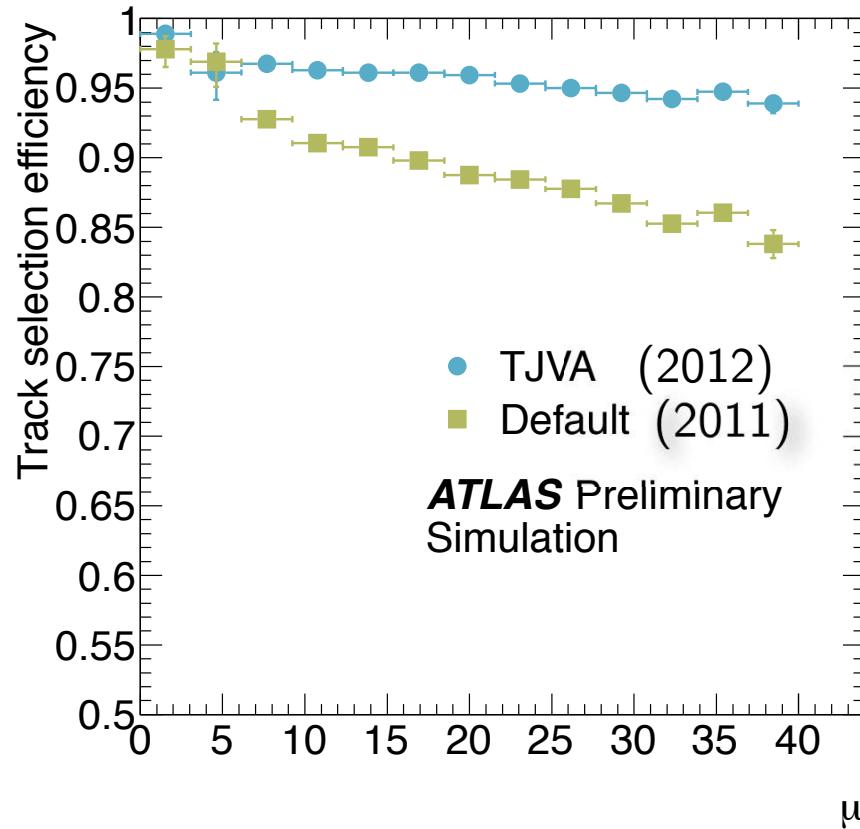
- The d_0 and z_0 requirements depend on the choice of vertex.
- Beginning in 2012, choose the vertex with the highest JVF for that tau candidate.



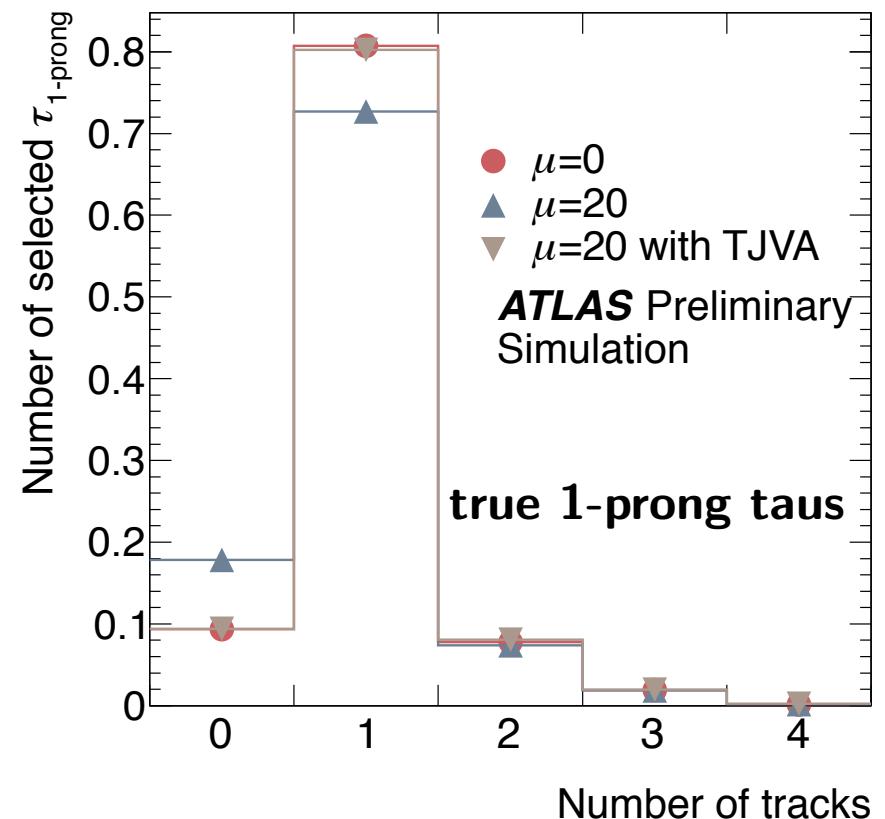
“Jet Vertex Fraction”
 $\text{JVF}(\text{jet}, \text{vertex}) =$

$$\frac{\left(\sum_{\substack{\text{tracks matched} \\ \text{to jet and vertex}}} p_T(\text{track}) \right)}{\left(\sum_{\substack{\text{tracks matched} \\ \text{to jet}}} p_T(\text{track}) \right)}$$

Track selection efficiency



**ATLAS Preliminary
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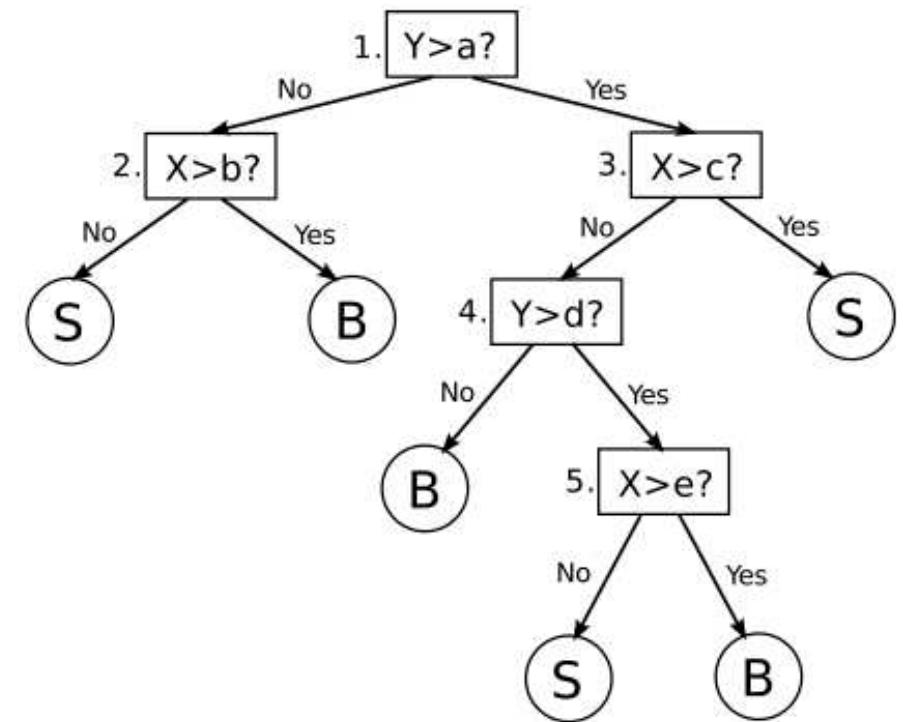


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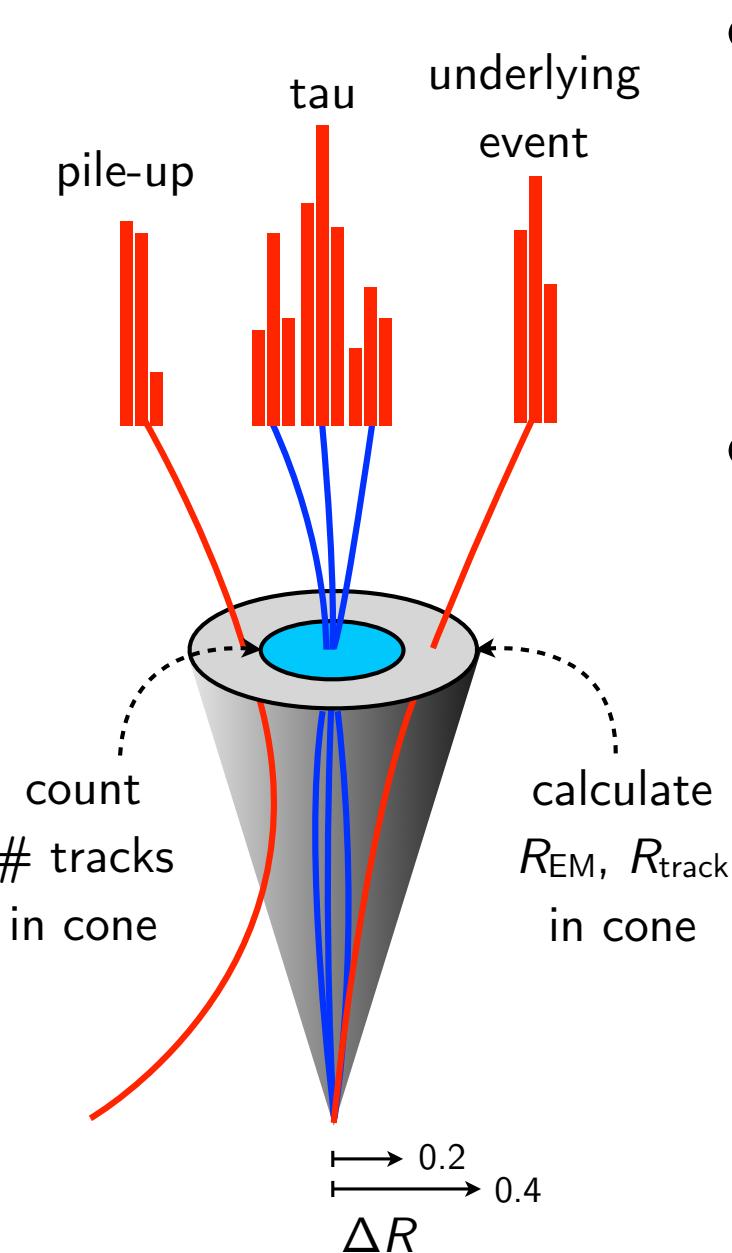
true 1-prong taus

- In 2011, the track selection for tau candidates cut on the d_0 and z_0 with respect to the vertex with the highest $\sum p_T^2$.
- Selecting the vertex with the highest JVF recovers efficiency in high pile-up (Tau Jet Vertex Association).

Identification



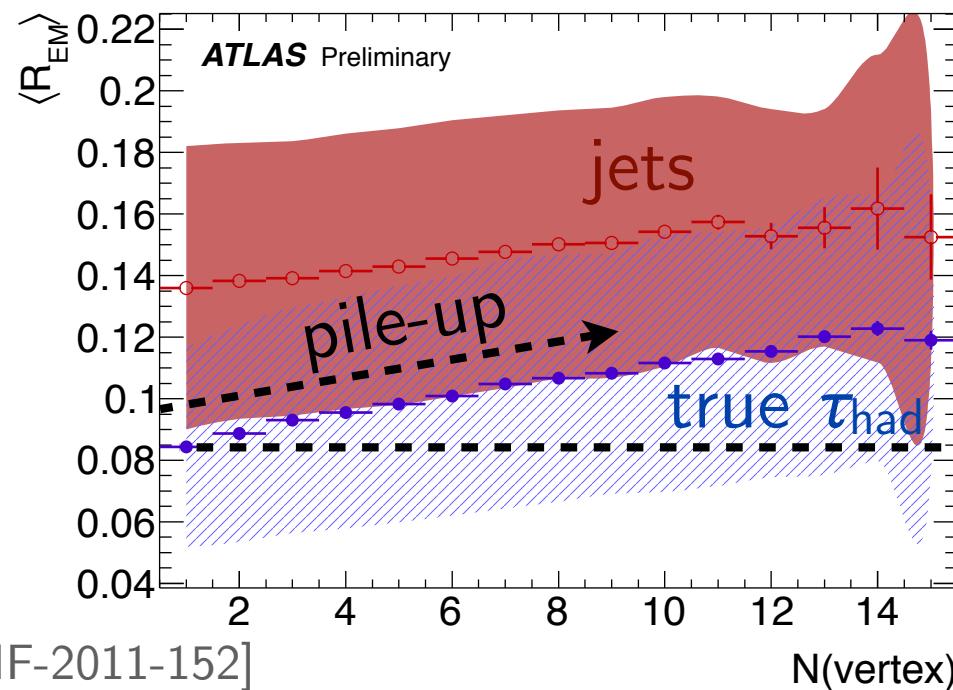
Identification and pile-up



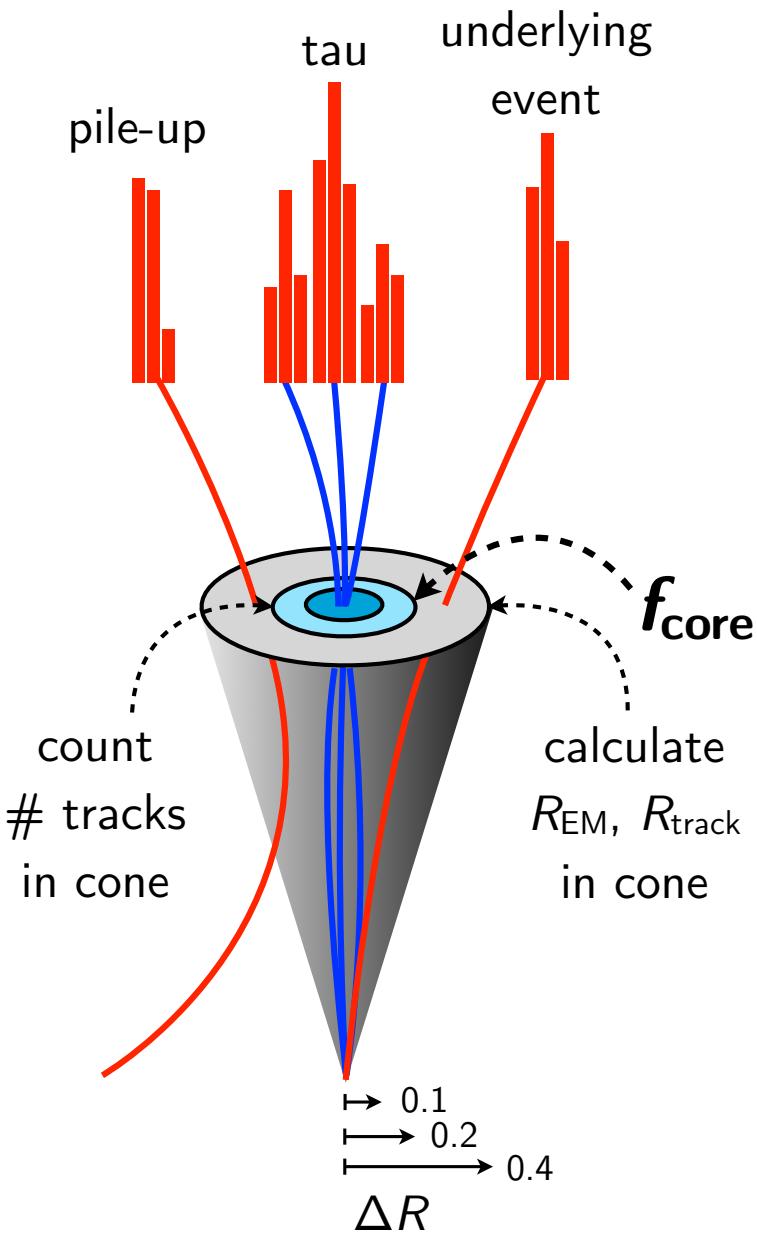
- Important offline variable in 2010-2011:
 EM radius - “width of jet in calorimeter”

$$R_{\text{EM}} = \frac{\sum_{\{\Delta R < 0.4\}} E_{\text{T}}^{\text{EM}}(\text{cell}) \Delta R(\text{cell}, \text{jet})}{\sum_{\{\Delta R < 0.4\}} E_{\text{T}}^{\text{EM}}(\text{cell})}$$

- **Strong pile-up dependence** due to using calorimeter deposits in the wide cone: $\Delta R < 0.4$.

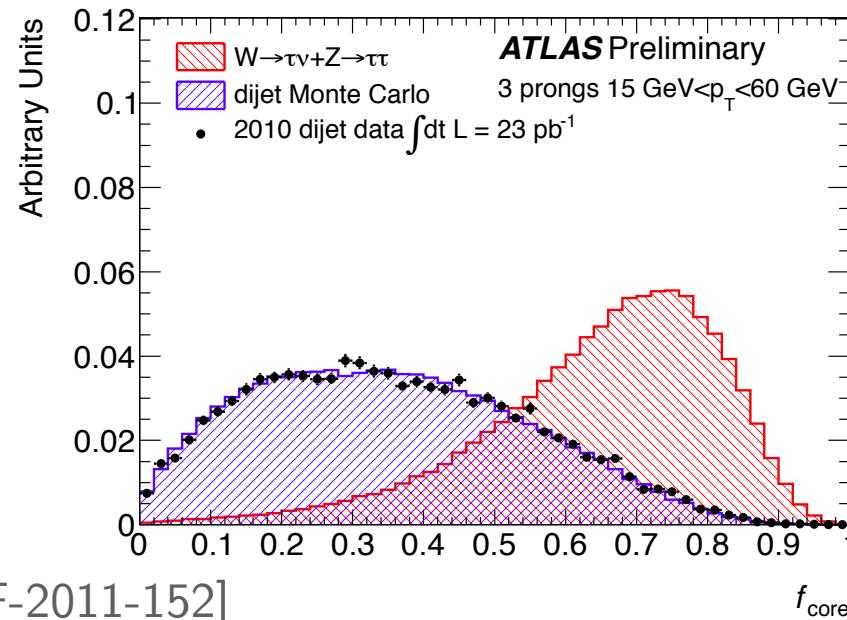


Pile-up robust variables



- Beginning in 2012, the core energy fraction is used instead of R_{EM} , which has less pile-up dependence by using the ratio of energies in smaller ΔR cones of 0.1 and 0.2.

$$f_{\text{core}} = \frac{\sum_{\{\Delta R < 0.1\}} E_{\text{T}}^{\text{EM}}(\text{cell})}{\sum_{\{\Delta R < 0.2\}} E_{\text{T}}^{\text{EM}}(\text{cell})}$$

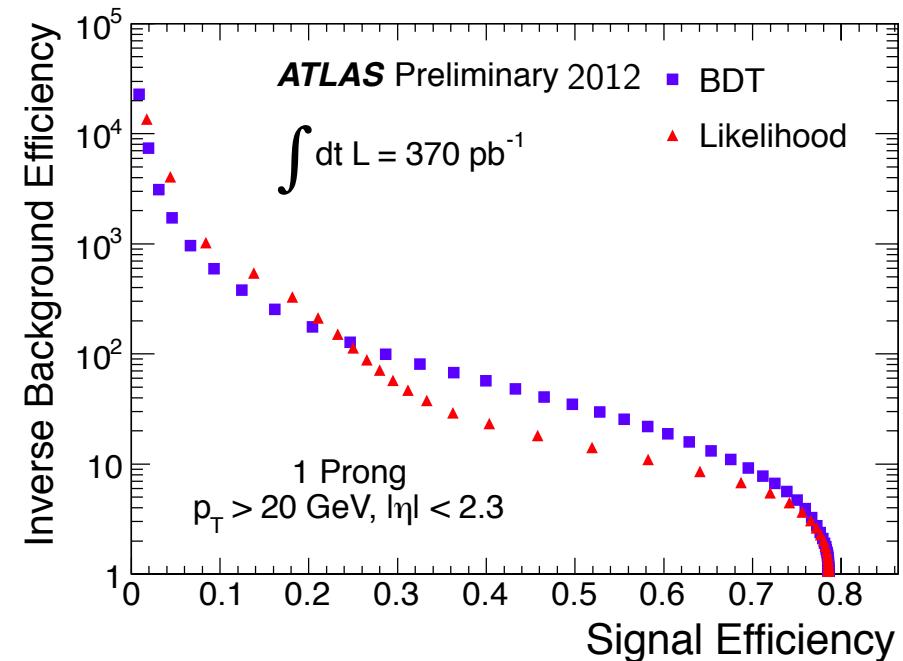
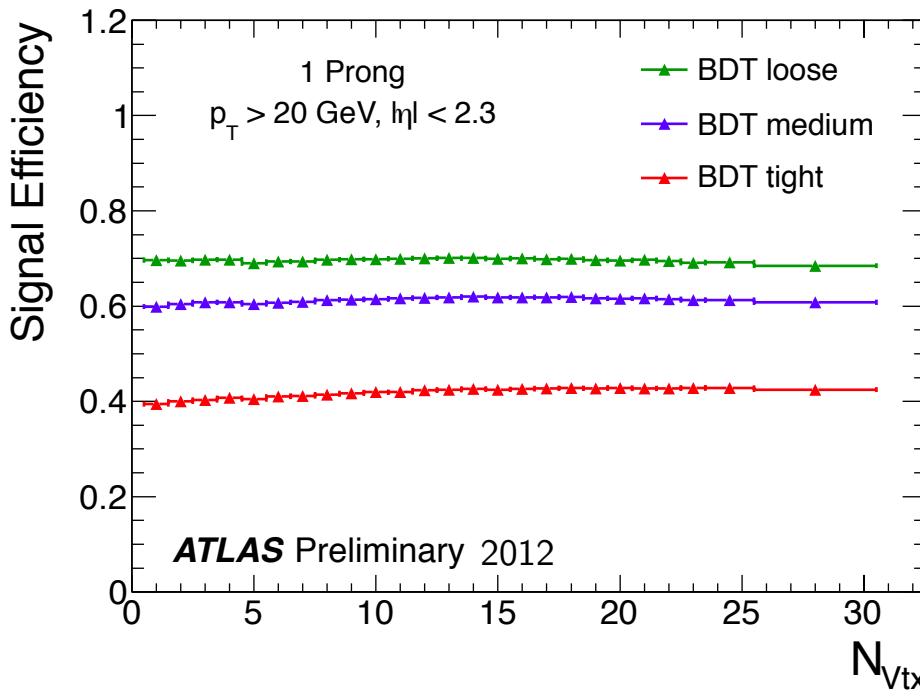


Pile-up corrections

- Also beginning in 2012, the variables with the largest pile-up dependence (f_{core} and f_{track}) are corrected with terms that are linear in the number of reconstructed vertices.

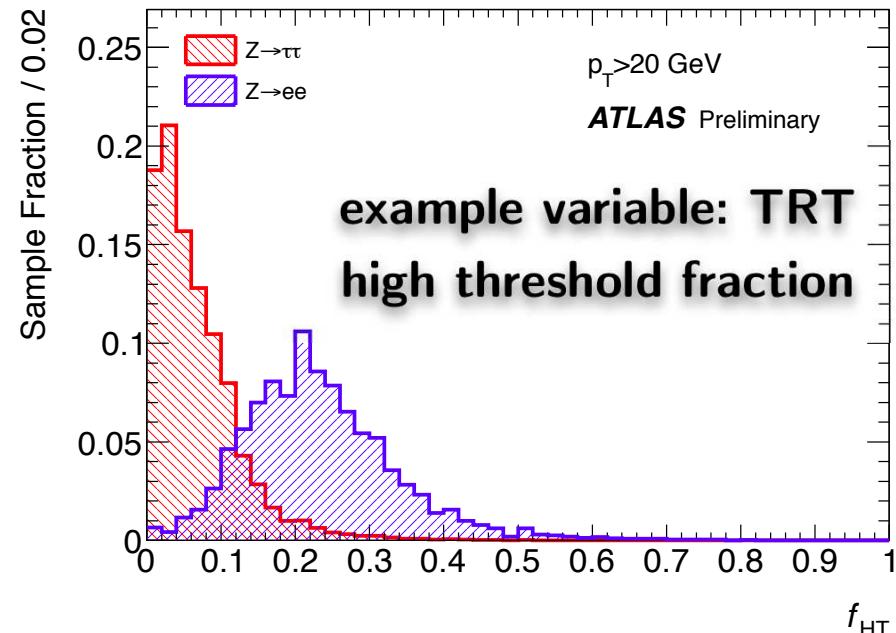
$$f_{\text{core}} = \frac{\sum_{\{\Delta R < 0.1\}} E_{\text{T}}^{\text{EM}}(\text{cell})}{\sum_{\{\Delta R < 0.2\}} E_{\text{T}}^{\text{EM}}(\text{cell})} + (0.3\%/\text{vertex}) \times N(\text{vertex})$$

- Tight/Medium/Loose working points of the BDT and LLH are defined ($\approx 40\%, 60\%, 70\%$ efficient), optimized as function of p_{T} and in separate $N(\text{vertex})$ categories.

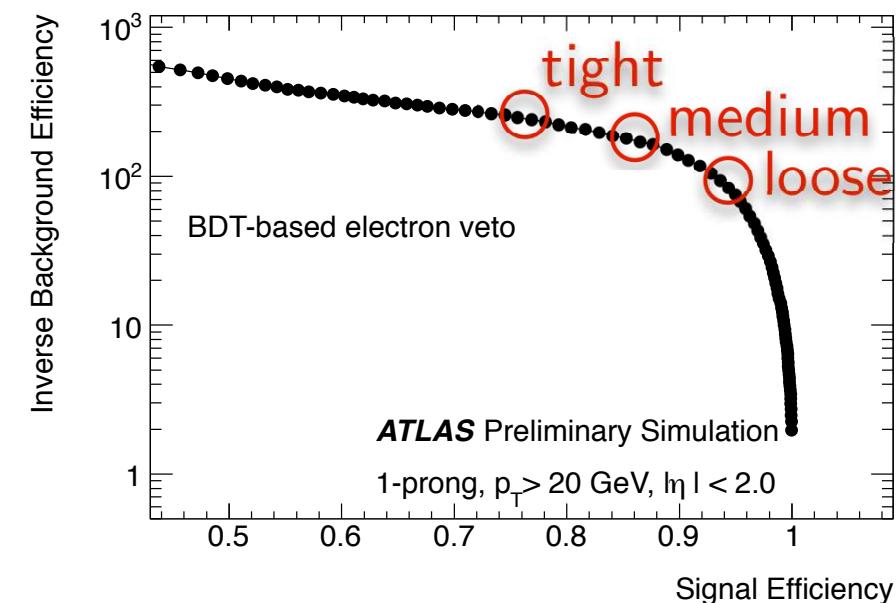


Electron veto

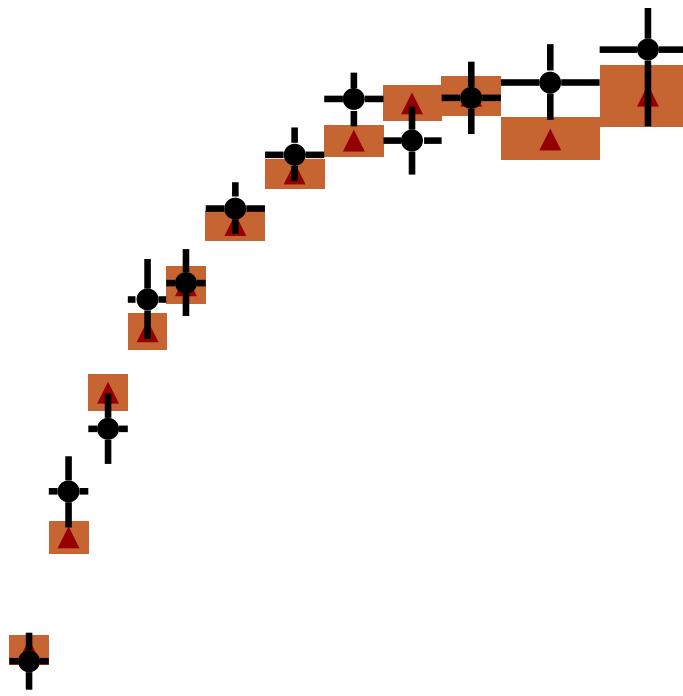
- Electrons provide a track and calorimeter deposit that can fake hadronic tau decay identification.
- ATLAS provides a BDT to discriminate electrons from tau candidates, even after removing overlaps with selected electrons.
- Tight/Medium/Loose working points are defined ($\approx 75\%$, 85% , 95% efficient).
- In 2012, the BDT is being re-optimized to have better efficiency at high- p_T .



**example variable: TRT
high threshold fraction**



Triggering



Tau triggering

1. Level 1: (latency 2.5 μ s)

Coarse EM+Had calorimeter trigger towers

$\Delta\eta \times \Delta\phi = 0.1 \times 0.1$. Candidate passing thresholds on the sum of energies:

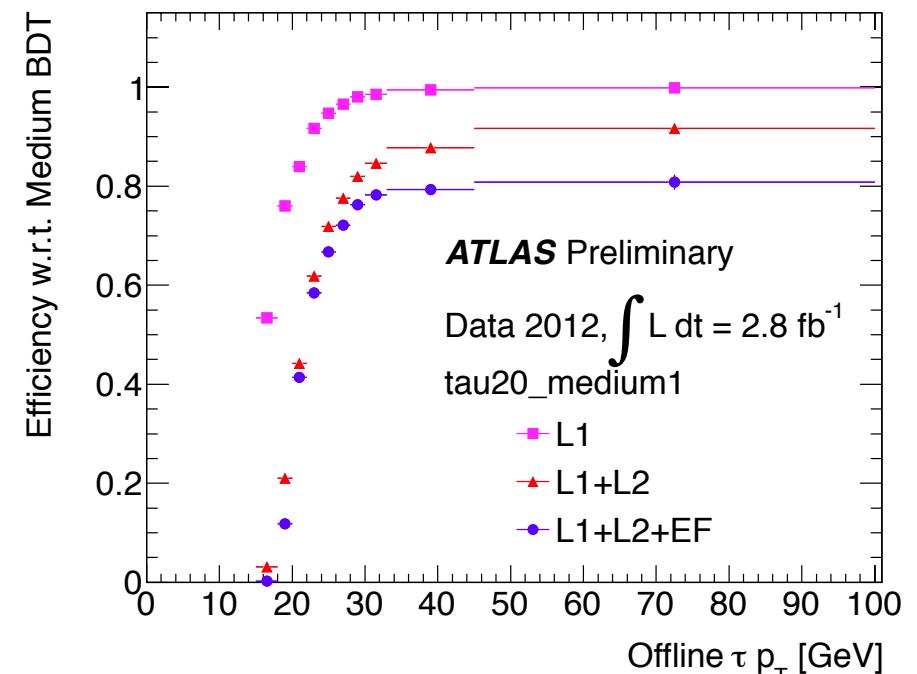
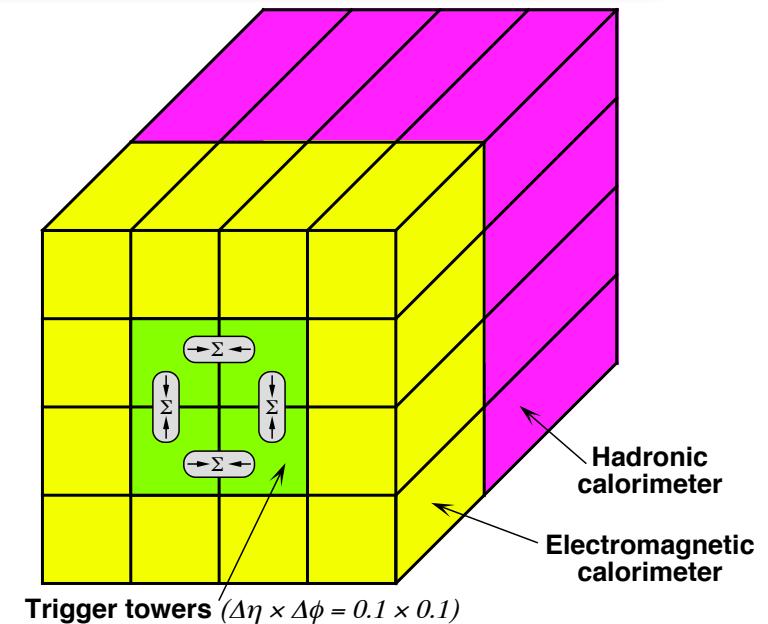
1. highest 2×1 towers
2. surrounding 4×4 isolation ring

2. Level 2: (latency 40 ms)

Fast tracking. Region-of-interest (RoI) calculation of track- and calorimeter-based ID variables. Similar selection to offline cut-based ID.

3. Event Filter: (latency 4 s)

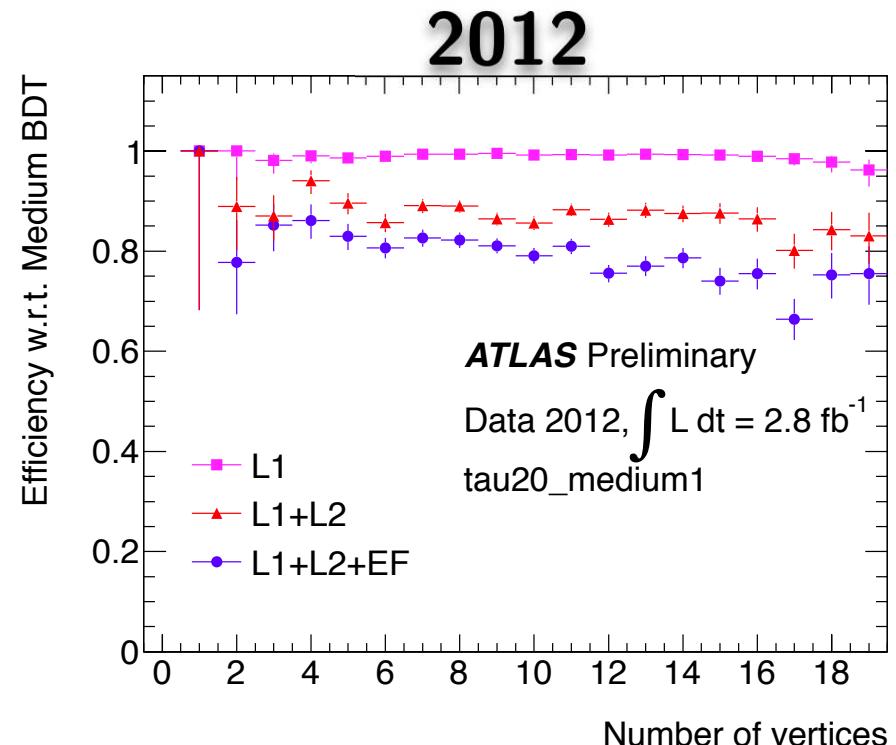
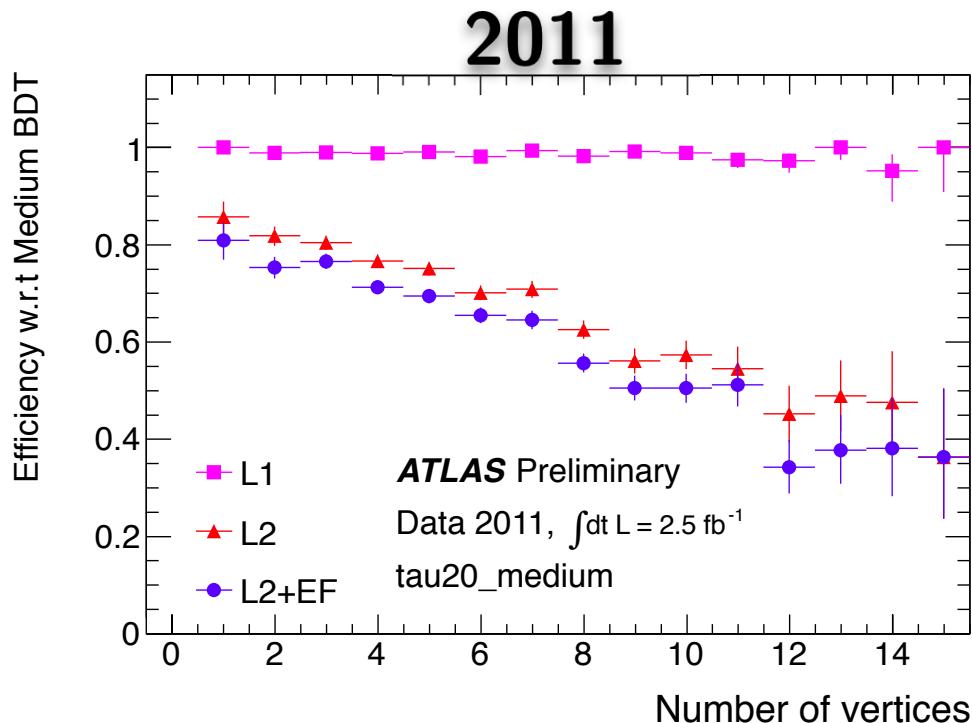
Beginning in 2012, started using the offline BDT algorithm at the EF trigger.



L2 pile-up robustness

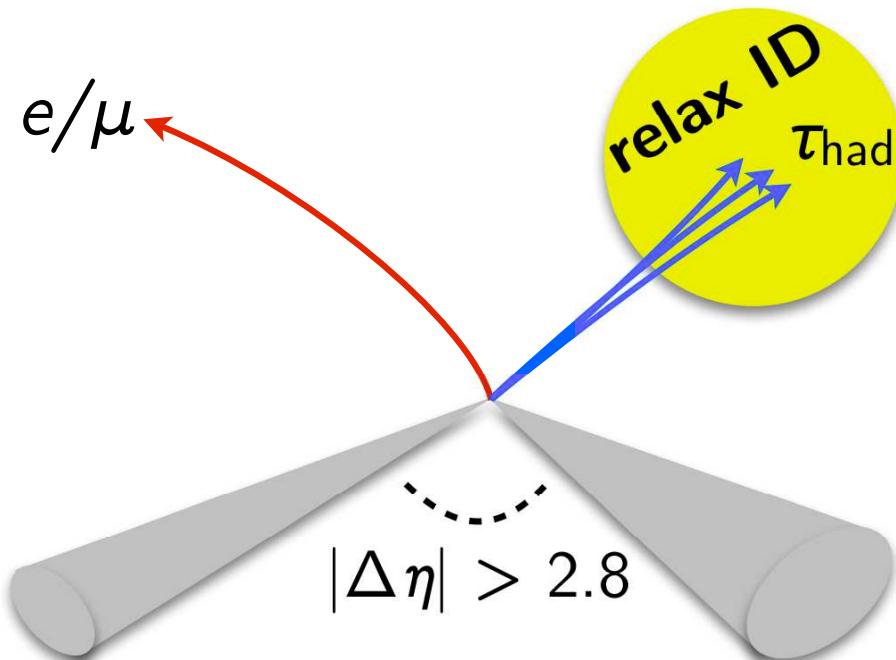
Example improvements to variable definitions to lessen sensitivity to pile-up:

- Smaller ΔR cone for calculating EM radius $0.4 \rightarrow 0.2$
- Select tracks within $\Delta z < 2$ mm of the highest- p_T track within the RoI (cannot vertex at L2).



VBF triggers

- New VBF triggers *relax tau identification* required at L2 and the EF by adding requirements for forward jets.
- This increases the control sample of tau candidates that will fail identification, used to ***estimate the fake contribution***.
- Being evaluated for the $H \rightarrow \tau\tau \rightarrow \text{lep} + \tau_{\text{had}}$ search.



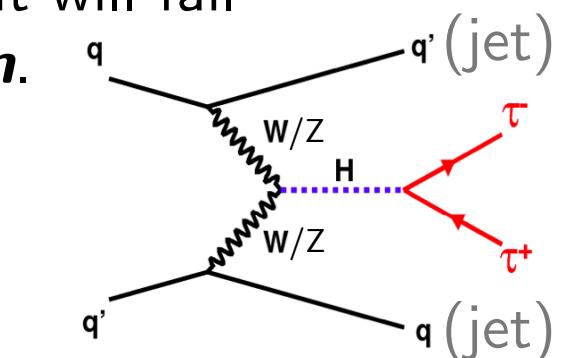
New as of periods G1, H2

VBF reqs:

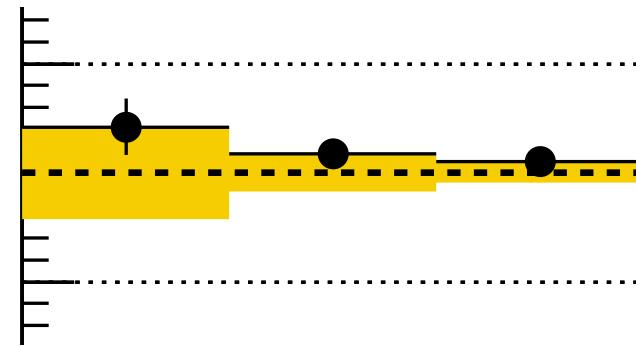
- 2 L2 jets $p_T > 15 \text{ GeV}$, $|\Delta\eta| > 2.5$
- 2 EF jets $p_T > 25 \text{ GeV}$, $|\Delta\eta| > 2.8$,
 $M_{jj} > 400 \text{ GeV}$

Trigger menu

$\tau_{\text{had}} + \mu$	$\tau_{\text{had}} + e$
tau20_medium1_mu15	tau20Ti_medium1_e18vh_medium1
mu15_vbf_L1TAU8_MU10	e18vh_medium1_vbf_2L1TAU11I_EM14VH

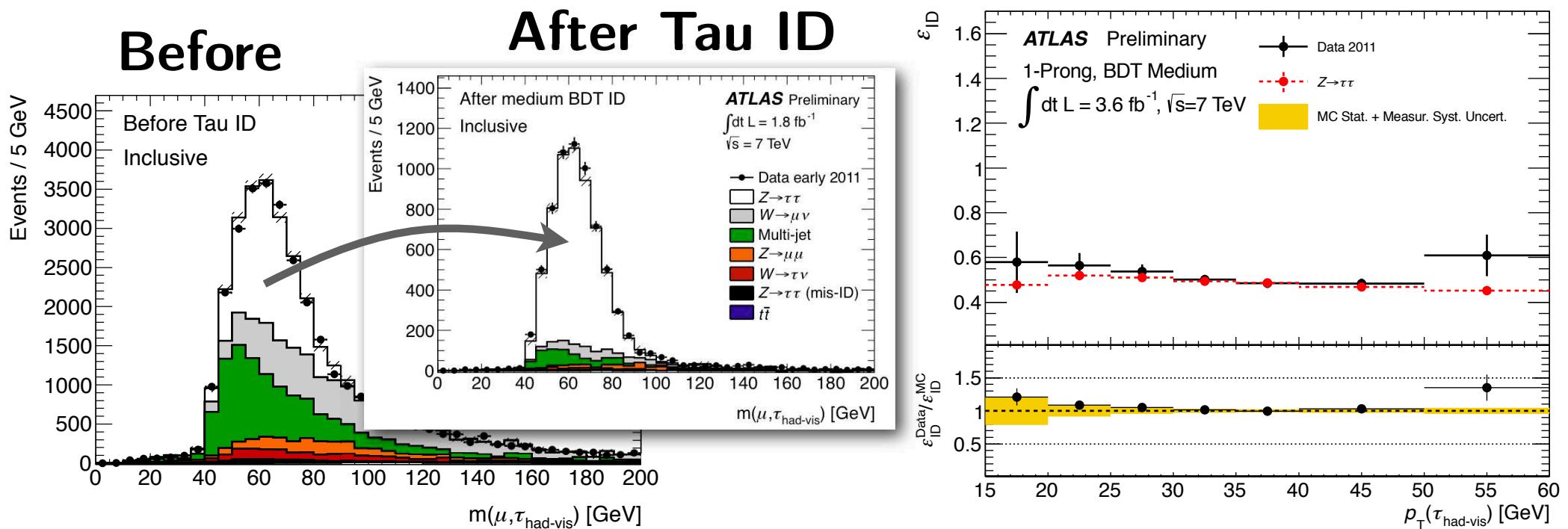


Systematic Uncertainties



Identification efficiency

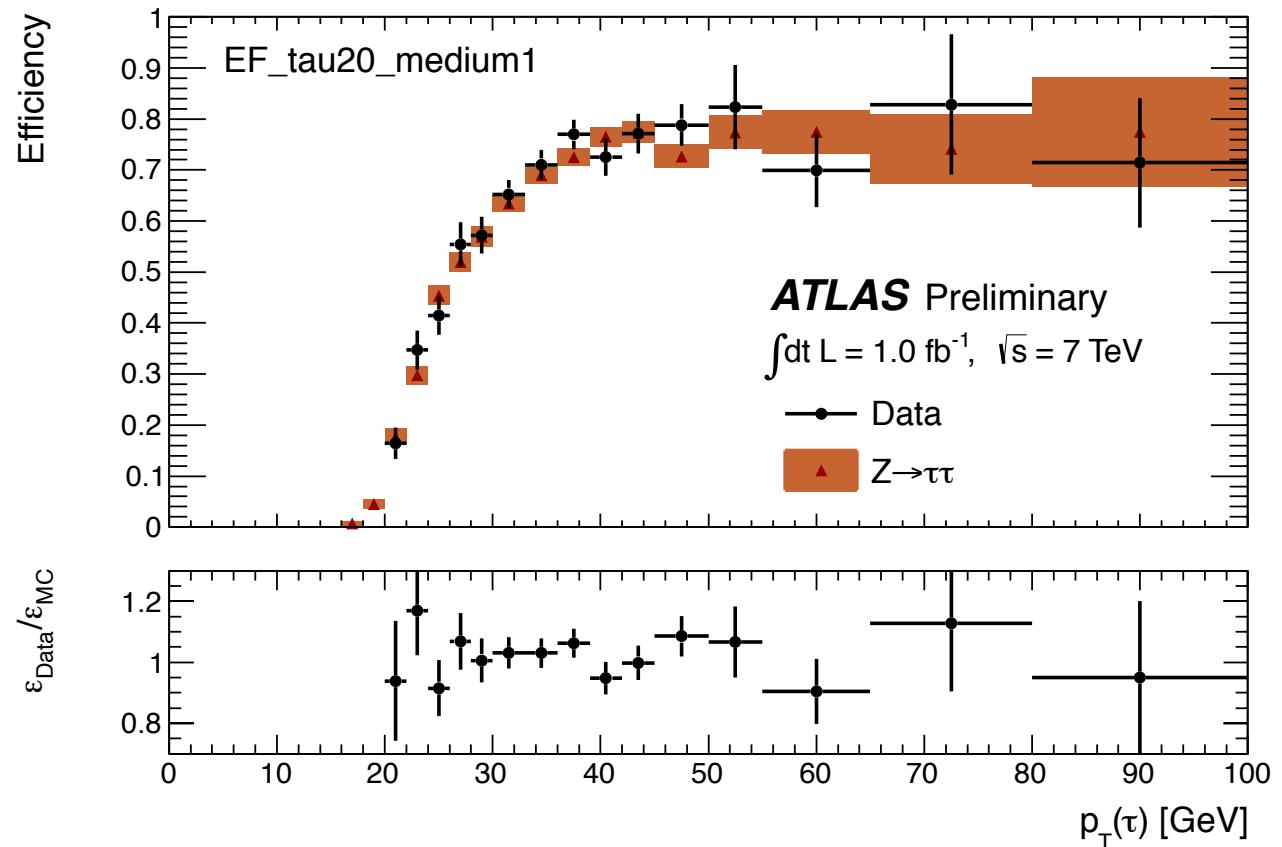
- **Tag-and-probe:** selecting a sample of a known composition without some ID, so one can probe its efficiency.
- For the case of tau ID, select $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau \rightarrow \mu\tau_h 3\nu$ by triggering on the muon and selecting events with muon + tau candidate.



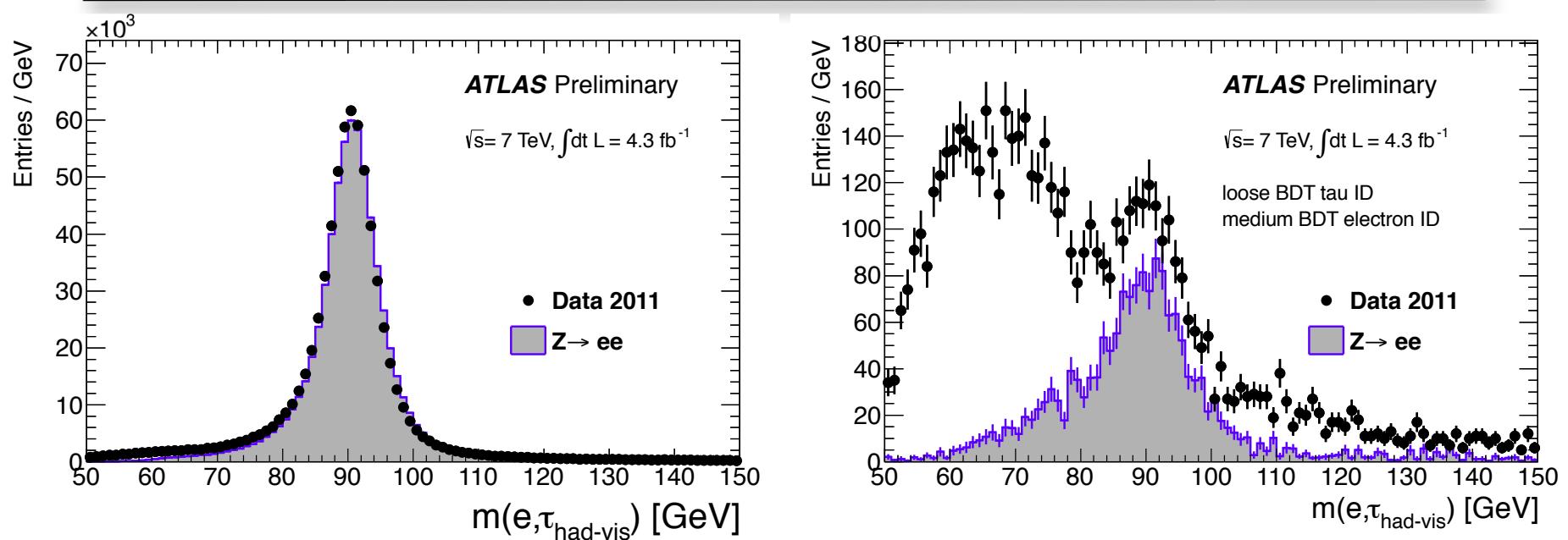
- Scale factor ≈ 1 , known to a few percent, 2-3% (1-prong), 5-6% multi-prong.

Trigger efficiency

- The same $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau \rightarrow \mu\tau_h 3\nu$ tag-and-probe sample is used to measure the efficiency of the tau triggers.
- Known to $O(5\%)$ in the turn-on.
- Improving with statistics in 2012.



Electron veto fake rate



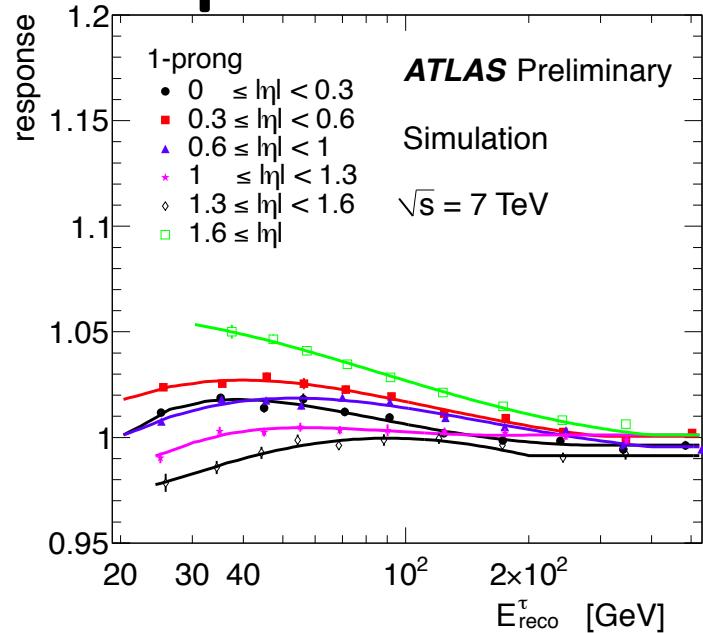
- Tag e + tau candidates
- Probe the e-veto efficiency after removing overlap with selected electrons.
- Statistically limited by the sample that pass the veto, giving uncertainties $\approx 50\text{-}100\%$.
- Improving with the data added in 2012.

data/MC scale factor and uncertainty
from $Z \rightarrow ee$ tag-and-probe with 2.6/fb from 2011

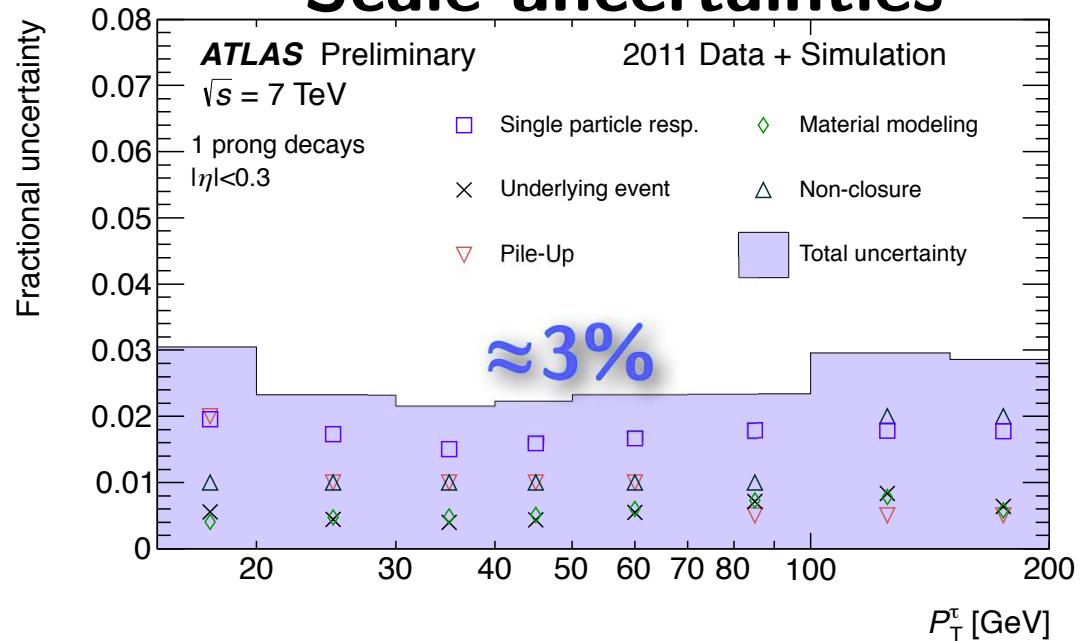
electron BDT veto	$ \eta_{\text{trk}} < 1.37$	$1.37 < \eta_{\text{trk}} < 1.52$	$1.52 < \eta_{\text{trk}} < 2.00$	$ \eta_{\text{trk}} > 2.00$
<i>loose</i>	0.96 ± 0.22	0.8 ± 0.3	0.47 ± 0.14	1.7 ± 0.4
<i>medium</i>	1.3 ± 0.5	-	0.5 ± 0.4	2.8 ± 1.3

Energy scale

Response functions



Scale uncertainties



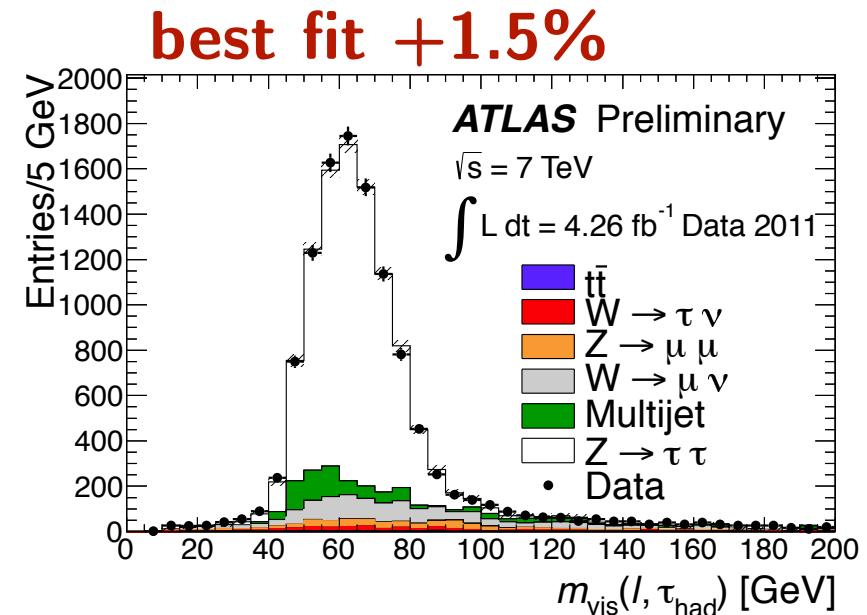
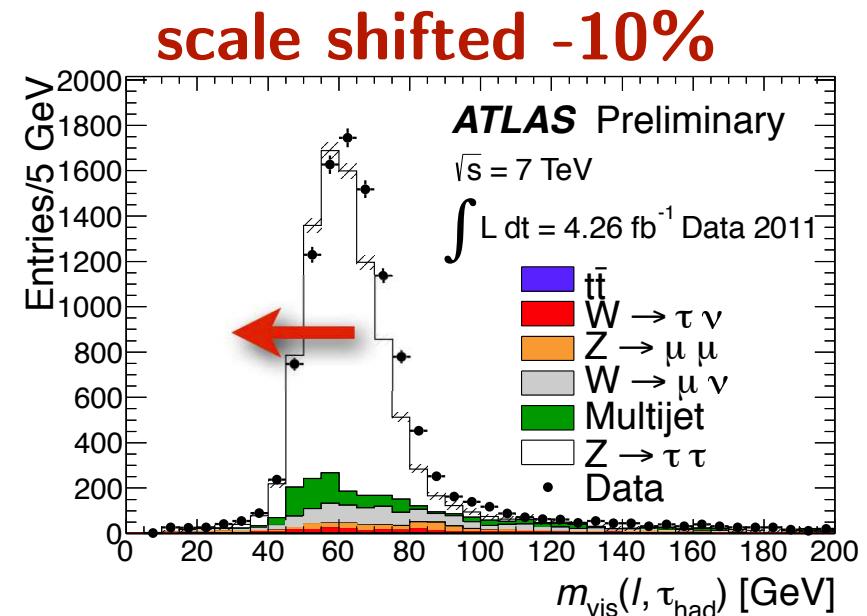
- Tau candidates are first brought from the EM to the Jet Energy Scale with LC calibration of the clusters within $\Delta R < 0.2$ (from 0.4 to be pile-up robust).
- Then response functions are calibrated with tau Monte Carlo to make final corrections of a few percent.
- Uncertainties are determined by smearing the Monte Carlo truth according the tau decays true composition, using uncertainties constrained by single particle response measurements (CTB, E/p , $Z \rightarrow ee/\pi^0$ -resp.)

Energy scale cross check

- Tau energy scale is manually shifted in the modeling.
- Median of the visible mass peak is used to decide which scale matches the data.
- Toy experiments are used to estimate the uncertainty.

$ \eta $	best scale	uncert.
0.0-0.8	-1.5%	3.3%
0.8-2.5	+1.5%	2.8%

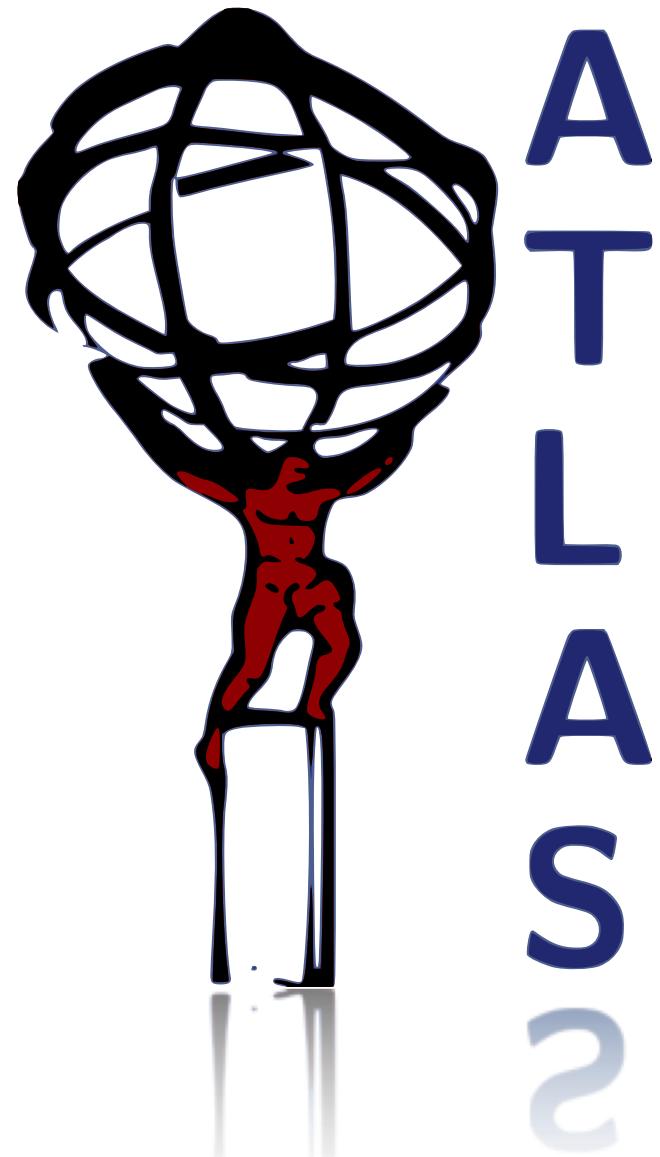
- Scale consistent with 1 within single-particle-response uncertainties $\approx 3\%$.
- May become primary method with more data.



Conclusions

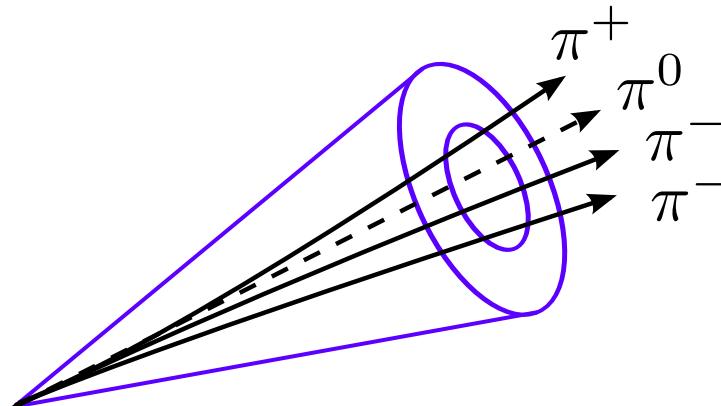
- The rise of pile-up in 2011 challenged the performance of tau identification and triggering.
- Efforts in multiple areas (identification, triggering, energy calibration) have mitigated the effects of pile-up with better design choices or corrections.
- The future will bring opportunities to further shrink our scale factor uncertainties with additionally analyzed 2012 data.
- It is an exciting time to analyze tau final states at ATLAS.

Back up



Phenomenology of tau decays

$\tau^- \rightarrow e^- \bar{\nu}_e \nu_\tau$	17.8%	leptonic 35.2%
$\mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu \nu_\tau$	17.4%	
$\pi^- \pi^0 \nu_\tau$	25.5%	
$\pi^- \nu_\tau$	10.9%	
$\pi^- 2\pi^0 \nu_\tau$	9.3%	1 prong 49.5%
$K^- (N\pi^0) (NK^0) \nu_\tau$	1.5%	
$\pi^- 3\pi^0 \nu_\tau$	1.0%	
$\pi^- \pi^- \pi^+ \nu_\tau$	9.0%	
$\pi^- \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^0 \nu_\tau$	4.6%	3 prong 15.2%



Current tau identification variables

1. Core energy fraction*

$$f_{\text{core}} = \frac{\sum_{\{\Delta R < 0.1\}} E_{\text{T}}^{\text{EM}}(\text{cell})}{\sum_{\{\Delta R < 0.2\}} E_{\text{T}}^{\text{EM}}(\text{cell})}$$

2. Leading track momentum fraction*

3. Track radius $R_{\text{track}} = \frac{\sum_{\{\Delta R < 0.4\}} p_{\text{T}}(\text{track}) \Delta R(\text{track}, \text{jet})}{\sum_{\{\Delta R < 0.4\}} p_{\text{T}}(\text{track})}$

4. Number of isolation tracks $N_{\text{trk}}^{0.2 < \Delta R < 0.4}$

5. Leading track impact parameter significance $S_{\text{lead track}} = \frac{d_0}{\sigma_{d_0}}$

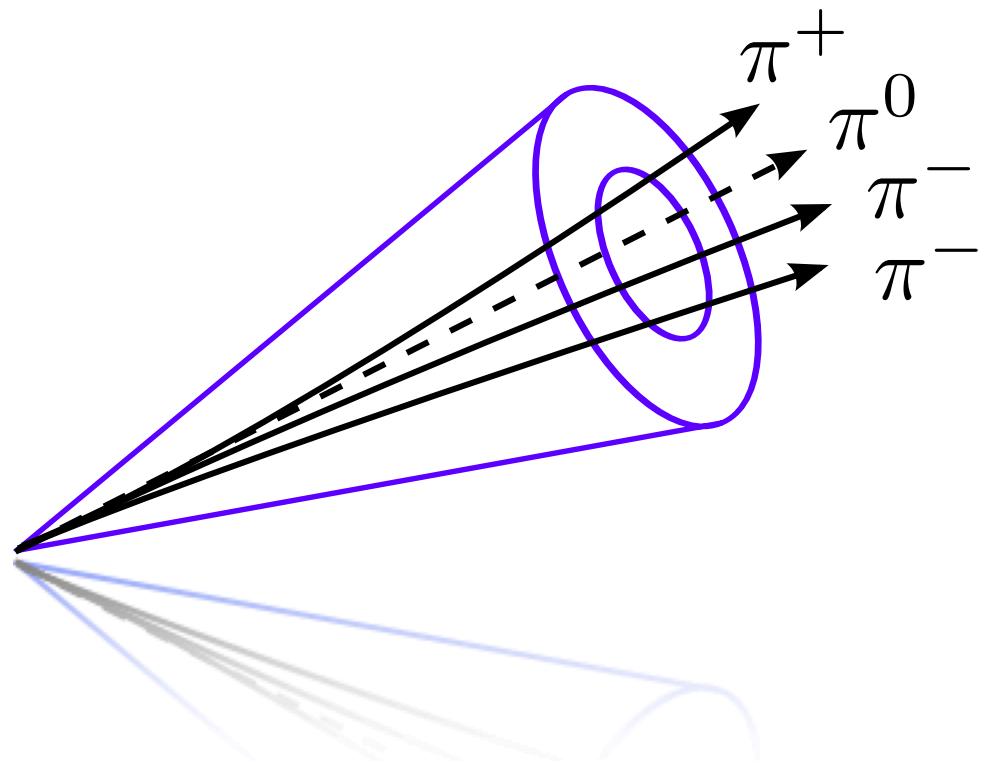
6. Transverse flight path significance $S_{\text{T}}^{\text{flight}} = \frac{L_{\text{T}}^{\text{flight}}}{\sigma_{L_{\text{T}}^{\text{flight}}}}$

7. Mass of track system

8. Maximum ΔR between jet-axis and core tracks

*has pile-up correction term linear in $N(\text{vertex})$

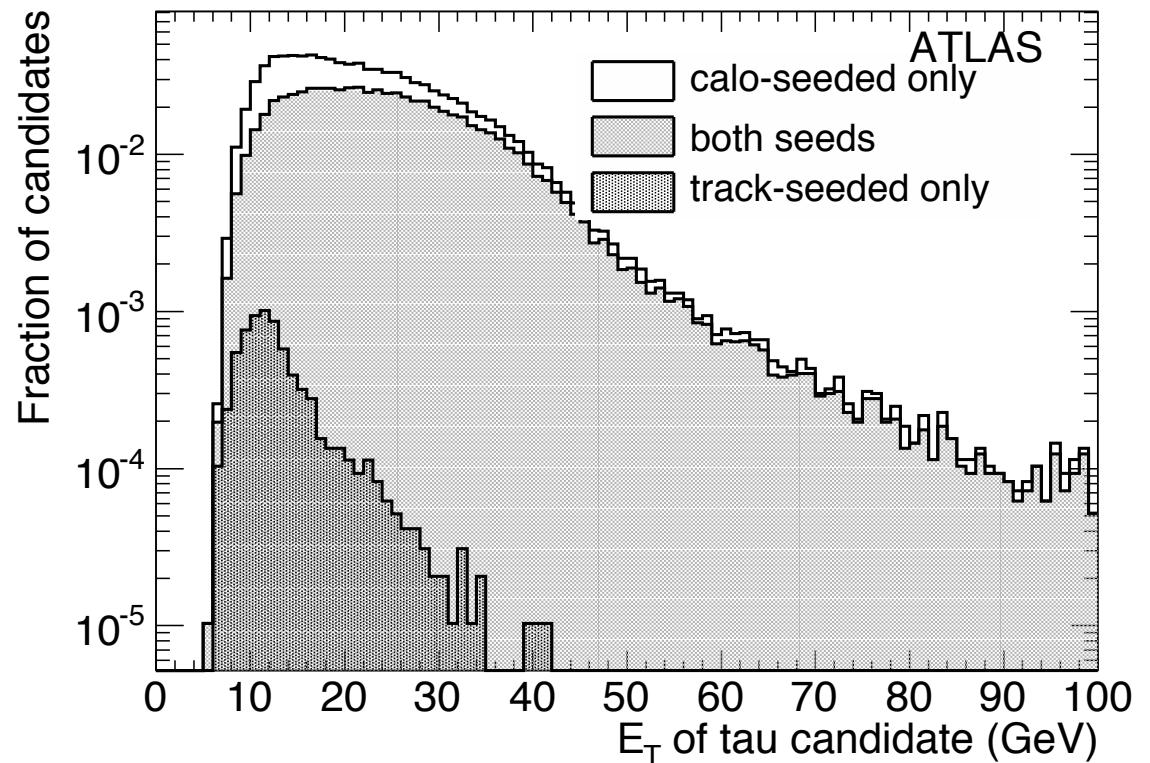
tauRec



Seeds of reconstruction

Once upon a time, there were two tau reconstruction algorithms. 2009

1. **tauRec** - seeded by
 $p_T > 10$ GeV anti- k_T
0.4 topo-jets.
“calo-seeded”
2. **tau1p3p** - seeded by
 $p_T > 6$ GeV inner
detector tracks.
“track-seeded”



Since virtually all candidates have a calo-seed, we effectively merged the variable calculation of both algorithms, using only calo-seeds.

“Performance of the tau reconstruction and identification algorithm with 14.2.20 and mc08”

[ATL-COM-PHYS-2009-229]

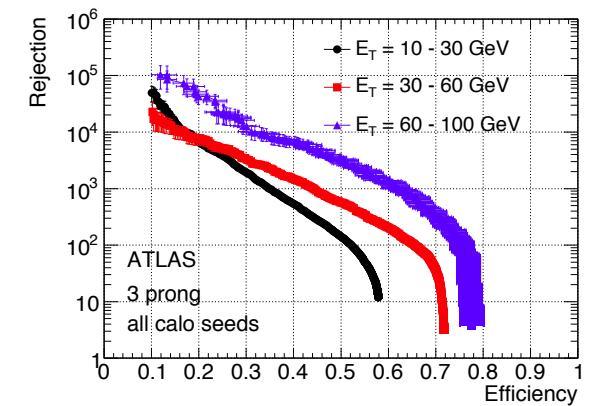
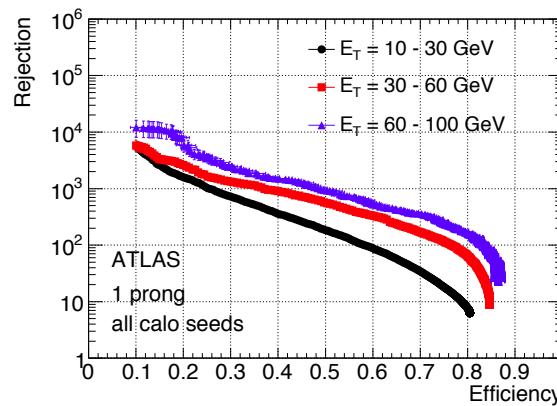
Early MV identification

- **Jet-tau discrimination**

2009

Prefers narrow calorimeter jets, likelihood-based discriminant.

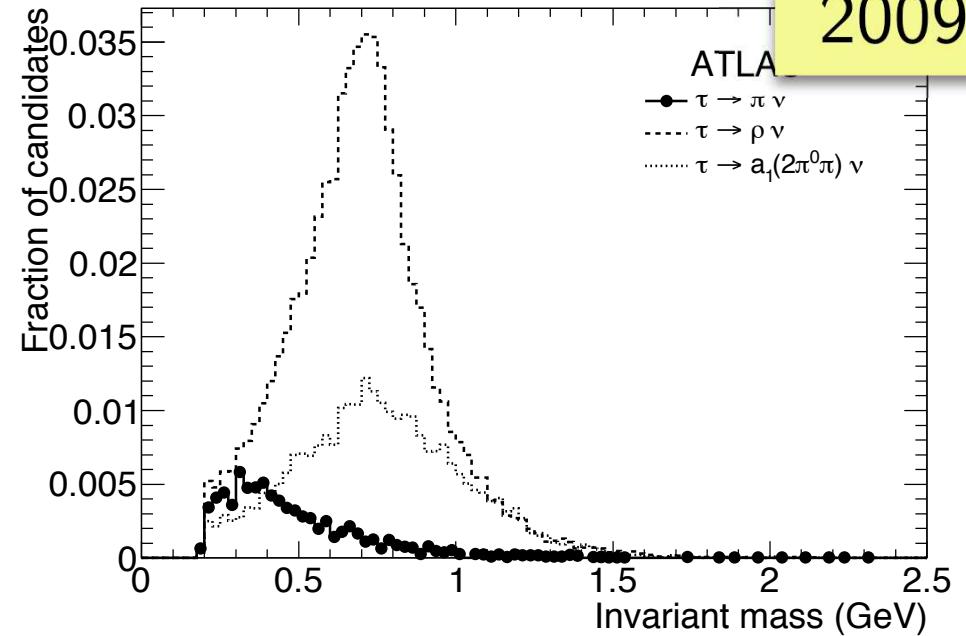
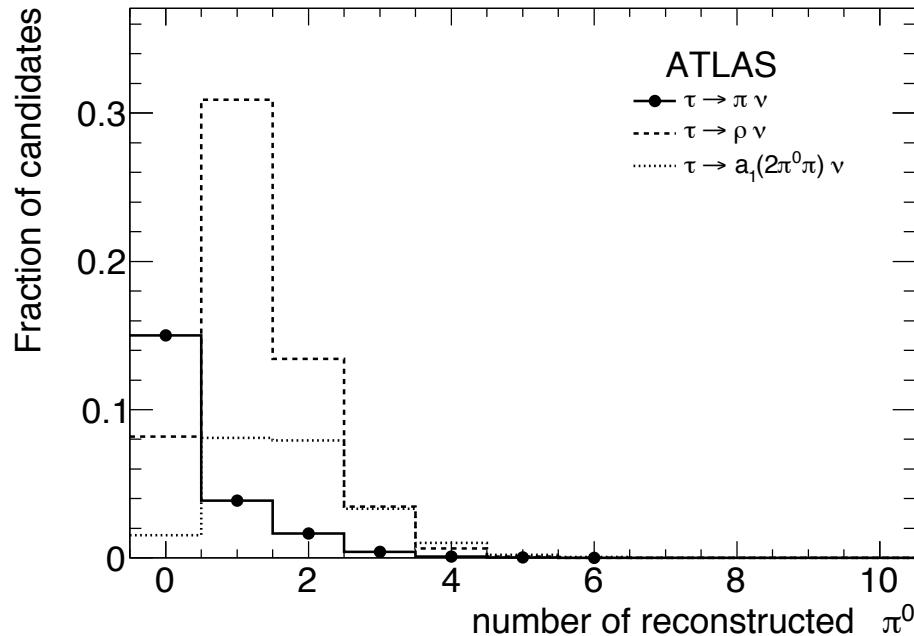
$$R_{\text{EM}} = \frac{\sum_i^{\Delta R_i < 0.4} E_{T,i}^{\text{EM}} \Delta R_i}{\sum_i^{\Delta R_i < 0.4} E_{T,i}^{\text{EM}}},$$



- **Electron-tau discrimination**

Candidate	IsEle(%)			IsEle_eg(%)		
	Overall	1P	3P	Overall	1P	3P
τ from $W \rightarrow \tau\nu$	93.2	92.7	95.3	99.8	99.8	99.8
τ from $A \rightarrow \tau\tau$	93.3	92.5	96.3	99.9	98.8	99.5
Electron from $W \rightarrow e\nu$	2.8	2.4	0.1	14.8	13.4	0.3
Electron from $A \rightarrow \tau\tau$	5.9	4.5	0.5	18.0	15.8	0.8

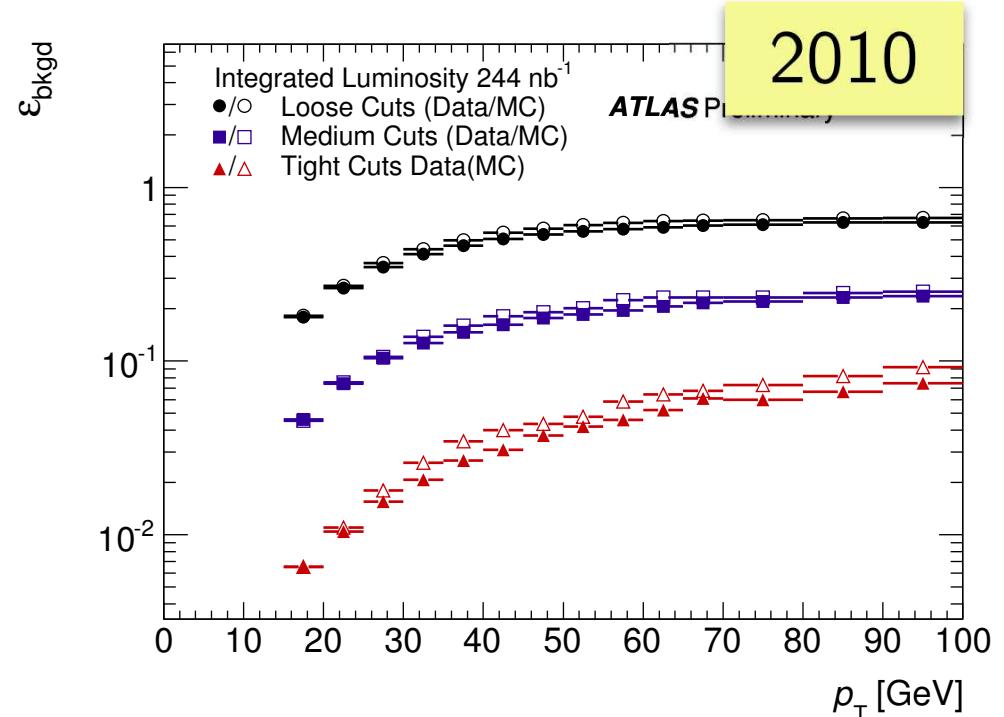
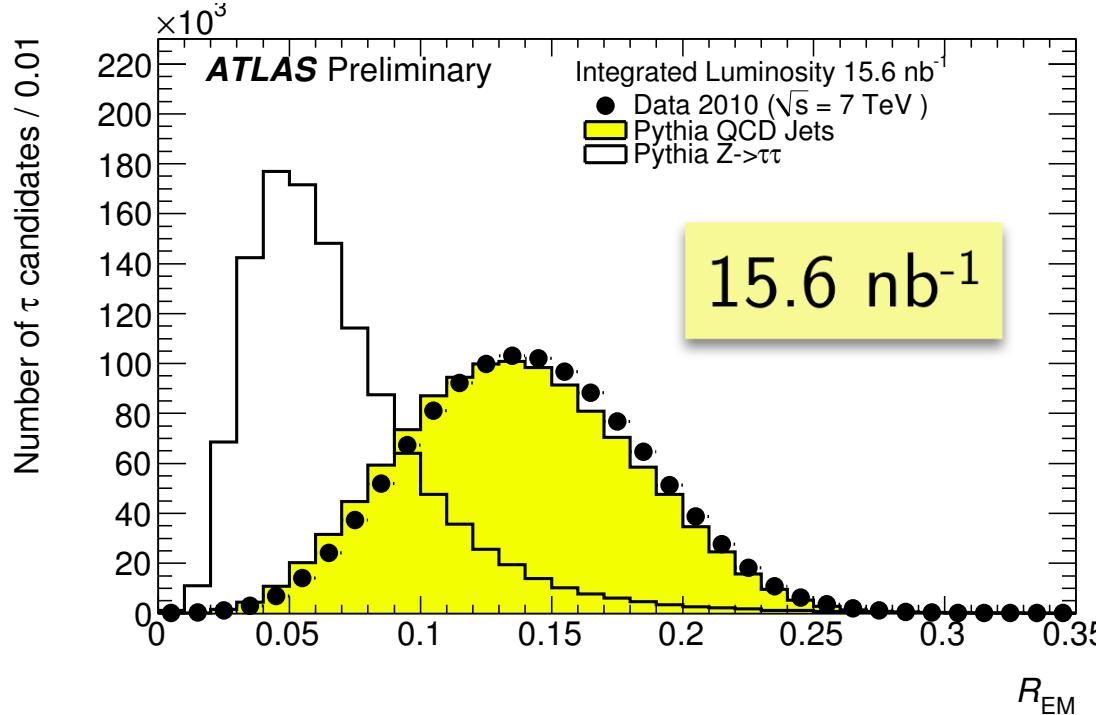
Early sub-structure studies



2009

- Monte Carlo based substructure studies
- Cell-based shower-shape subtraction π^0 reconstruction.
- Still unvalidated with data.

First data



- First comparisons of background distributions and the QCD fake-rate between data and Monte Carlo.
- Already see that MC over-estimates the jet fake-rate. $\Rightarrow k_W \approx 0.5$

“Reconstruction of hadronic tau candidates in QCD events at ATLAS with 7 TeV pp collisions”

[ATLAS-CONF-2010-059]

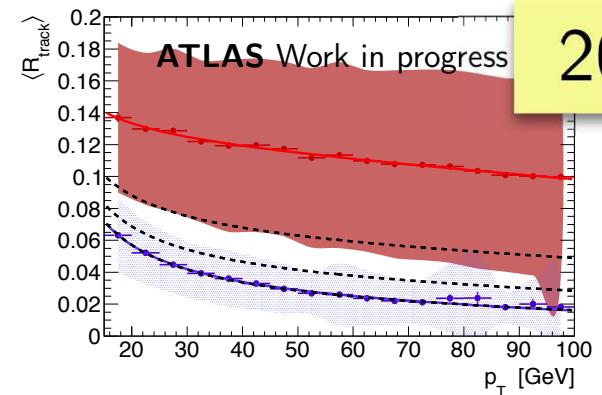
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[ATLAS-CONF-2010-086] 35

Tau discriminants

- **Cuts**

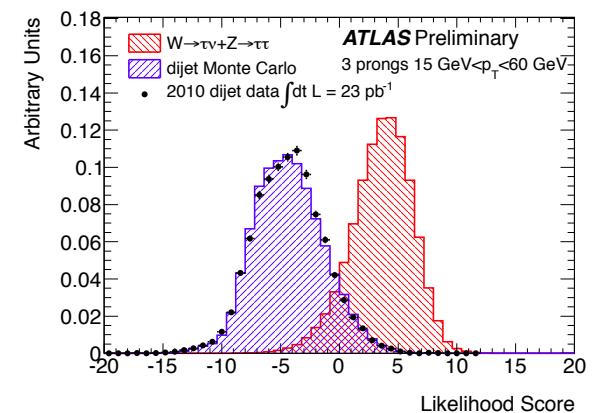
p_T -parametrized cuts on R_{EM} and R_{track} , and a cut on f_{track} .



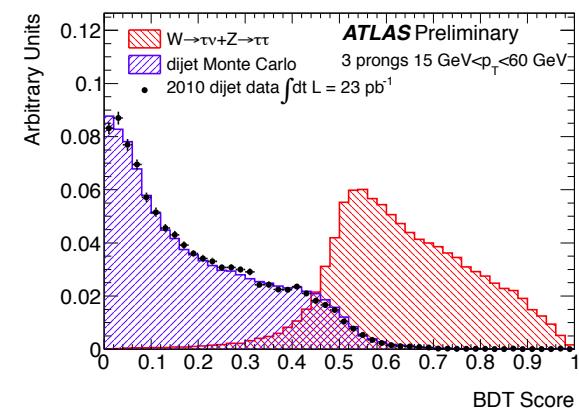
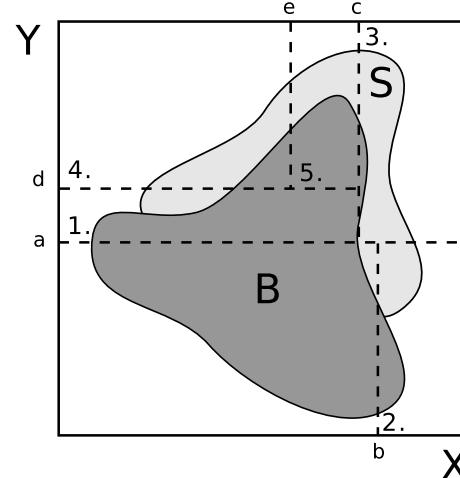
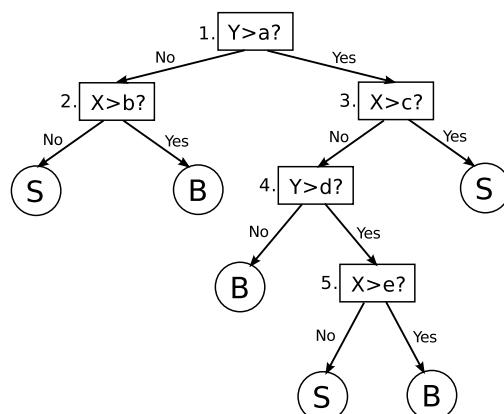
2010

- **Projective likelihood**

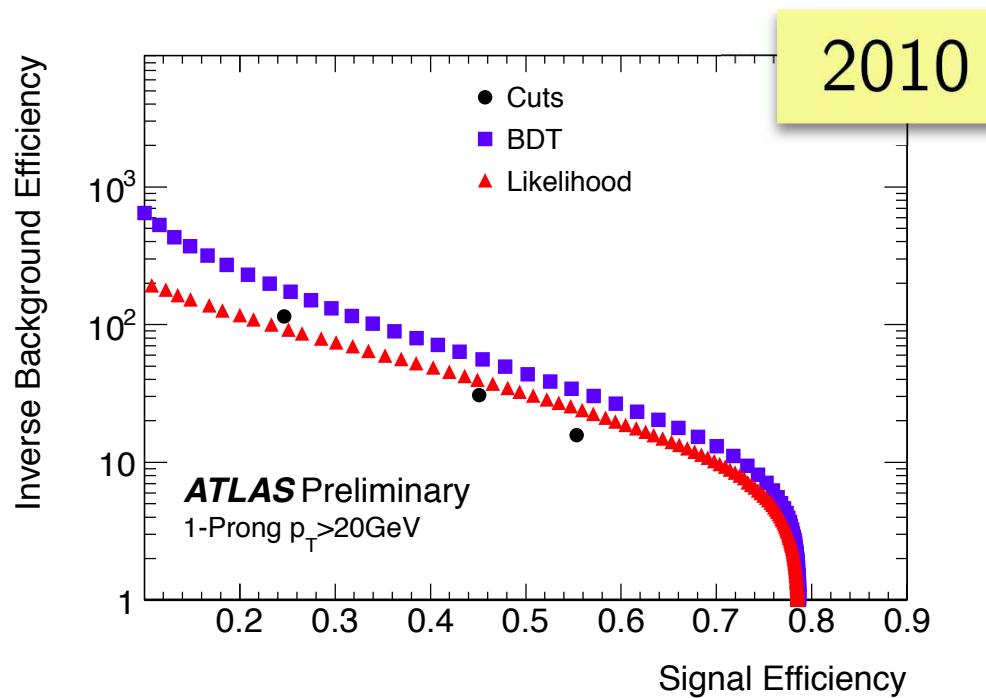
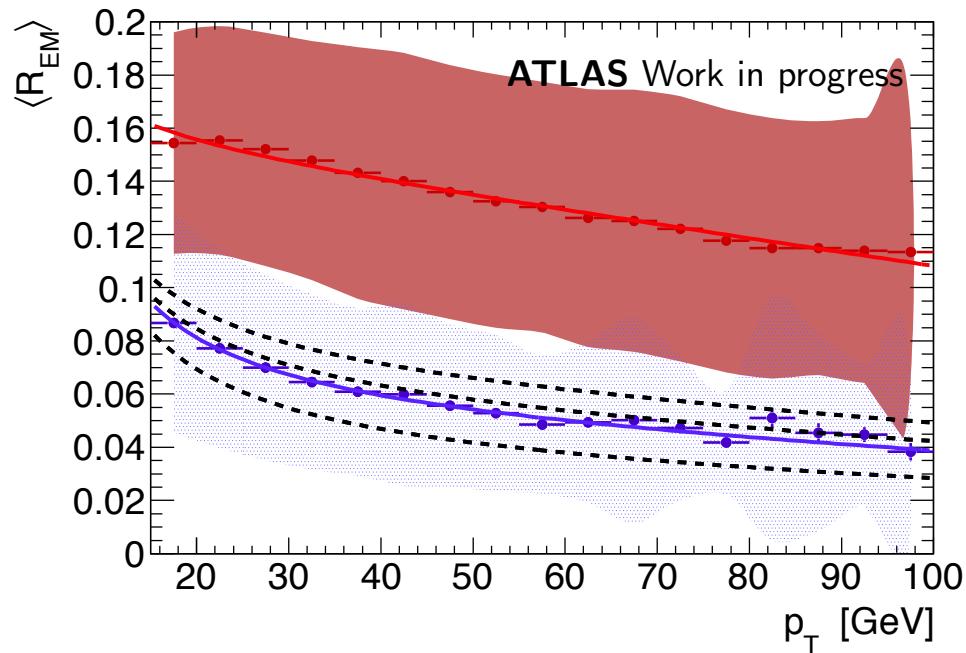
$$d = \ln \left(\frac{L_S}{L_B} \right) = \sum_{i=1}^N \ln \left(\frac{p_i^S(x_i)}{p_i^B(x_i)} \right)$$



- **Boosted decision trees (BDT)**



Maturing of discriminants

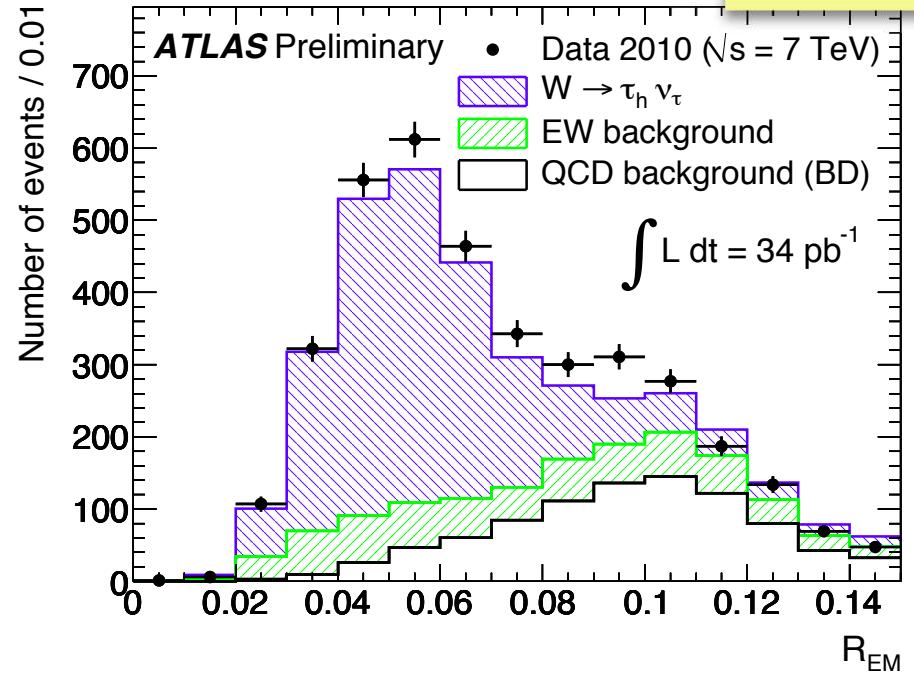
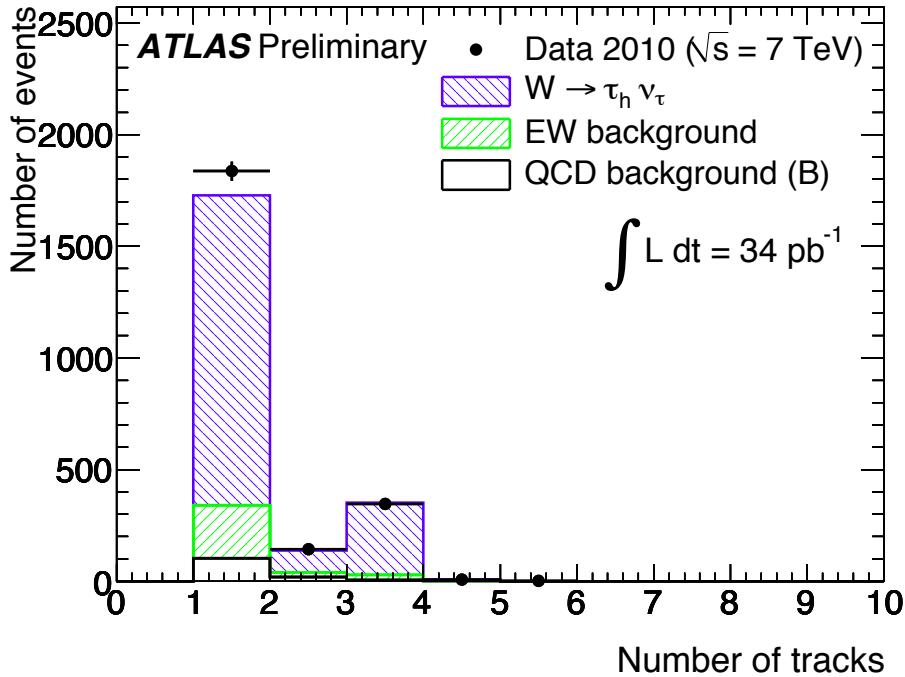


- Cuts are p_T -parametrized to account for the Lorentz collimation of boosted taus.
- Experience grows with LLH and BDT discriminants, which become the preferred discriminants in 2011.

"Reconstruction, Energy Calibration, and Identification of Hadronically Decaying Tau Leptons in the ATLAS Experiment" [ATLAS-CONF-2011-077, ATL-PHYS-INT-2011-068]

Seeing first hadronic taus

2010



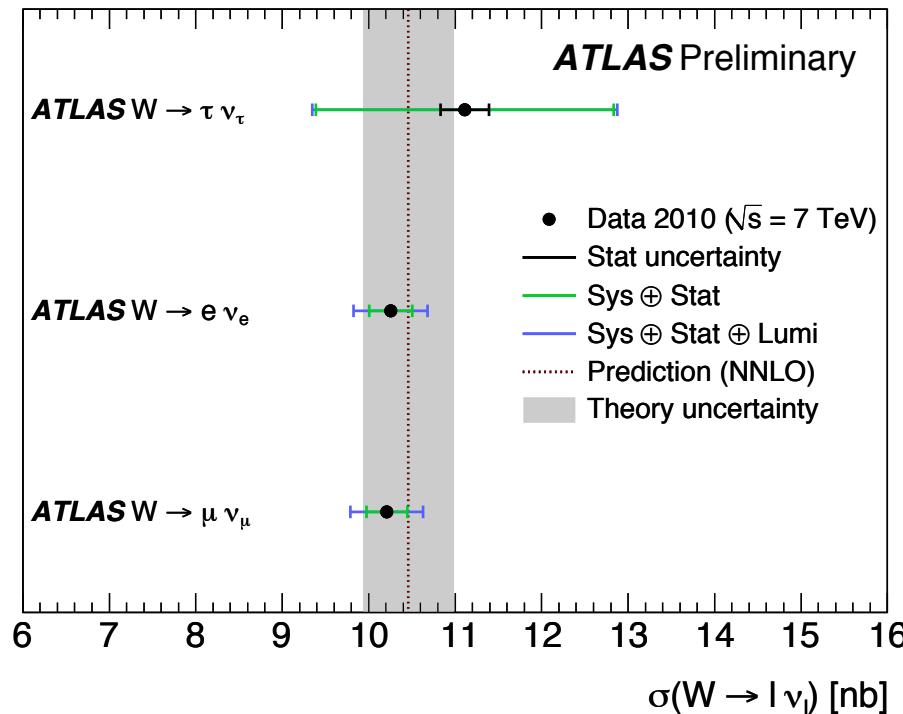
- Nov 2010: Observation of $W \rightarrow \tau_h \nu$ [ATLAS-CONF-2010-097]
- Feb 2011: Observation of $Z \rightarrow \tau_h \tau_l$ [ATLAS-CONF-2011-010]

$W \rightarrow \tau\nu$ cross section

$$\sigma(W \rightarrow \tau\nu) = 11.1 \pm 0.3(\text{stat.}) \pm 1.7(\text{sys.}) \pm 0.4(\text{lumi.}) \text{ nb}$$

2010

$$\sigma_{\text{theory}} = 10.46 \pm 0.52 \text{ nb at NNLO}$$



Dominant systematics

- τ_h efficiency 10.3%
- τ_h energy scale 8.0%
- $\tau_h + \text{MET trigger}$ efficiency 7.0%
- luminosity 3.4%
- acceptance 2.3%

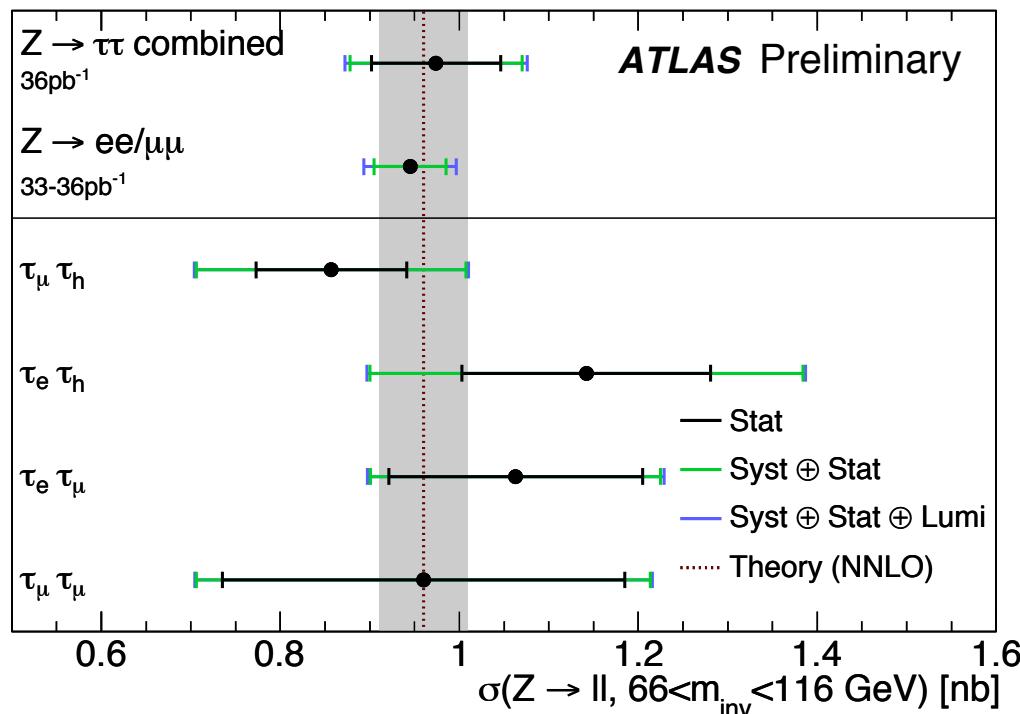
"Measurement of the $W \rightarrow \tau\nu$ cross section in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV with the ATLAS experiment"
[arXiv:1108.4101]

$Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ cross section

2011

$$\sigma_{\text{combined}} = 0.97 \pm 0.07(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.07(\text{sys.}) \pm 0.03(\text{lumi.}) \text{ nb}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{theory}} = 0.96 \pm 0.05 \text{ nb at NNLO}$$

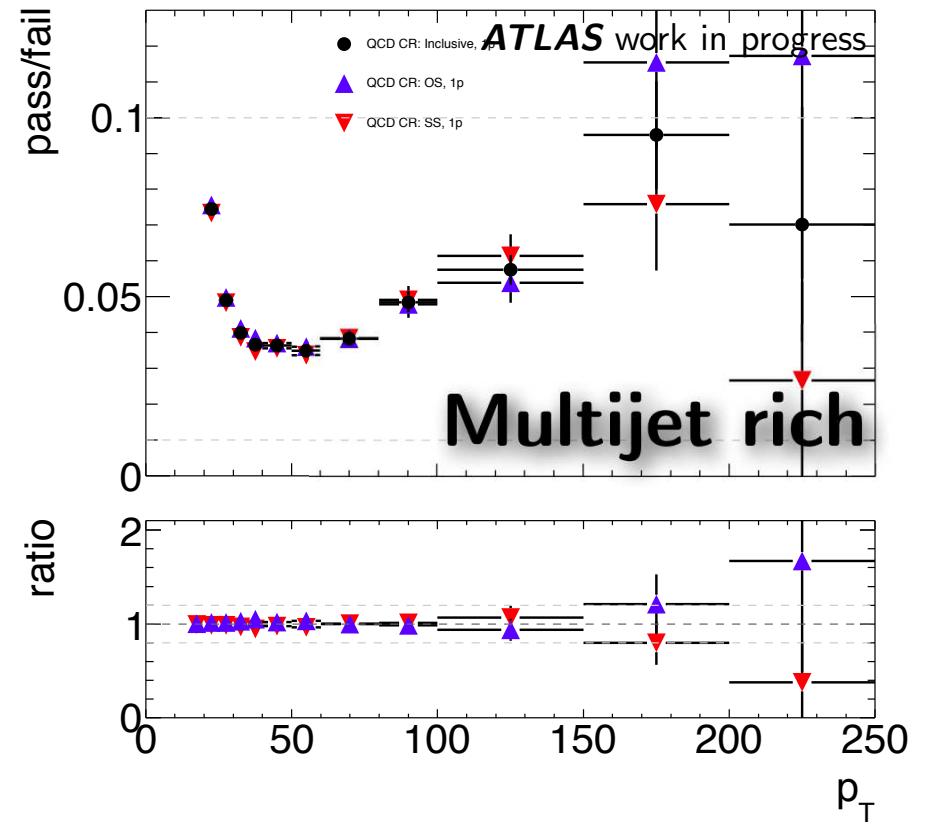
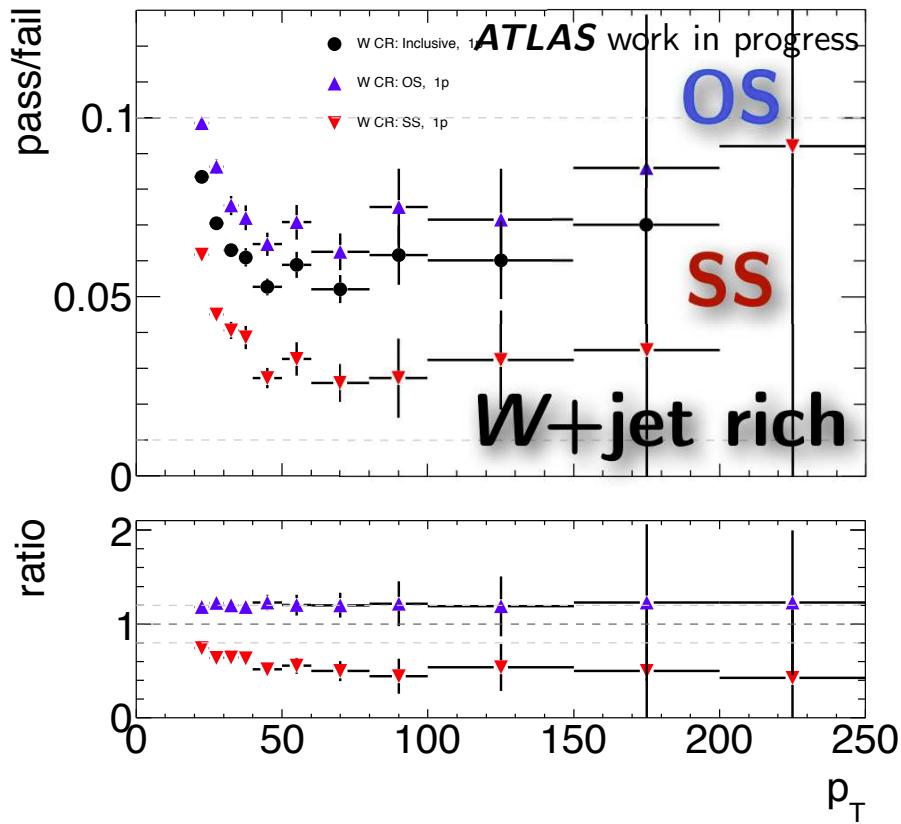


Dominant systematics

- τ_h energy scale 11%
- τ_h efficiency 8.6%
- μ efficiency 8.6%
- e efficiency 3-10%
- acceptance 3%
- luminosity 3.4%

"Measurement of the $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ cross section in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$ with the ATLAS detector"
[arXiv:1108.2016]

Observed variance in fake-rates

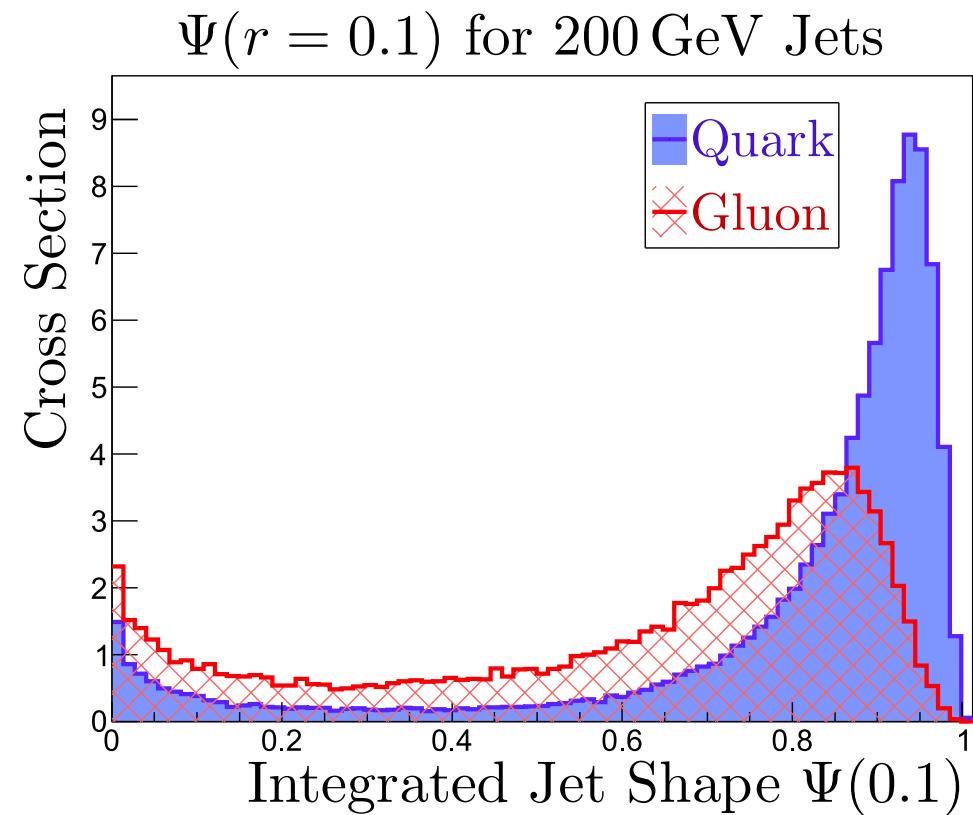


- Hypothesis: quarks vs gluons (BDTMedium)
- Divide the issue into two questions:
 1. *Why do quarks and gluons have different tau fake-rates?*
 2. *How does the quark/gluon fraction vary among samples?*

Jet width for quark/gluons

Why do quarks and gluons have different tau fake-rates?

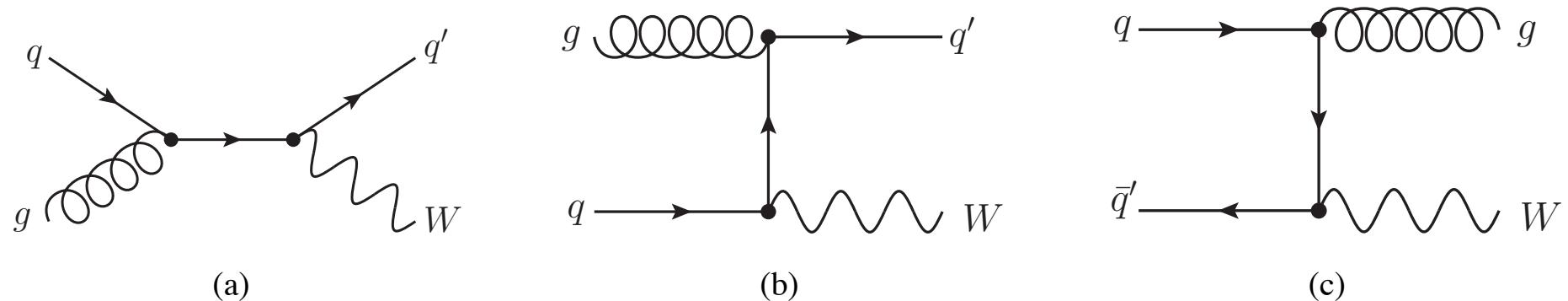
- $\Psi(r) = \text{fraction of jet energy within } \Delta R < r.$
- Quark jets are more narrow than gluon jets of the same energy.
- Tau identification prefers narrow candidates.
- This is consistent with samples of quark-enriched jets, like $W+\text{jet}$, having higher fake-rates.



OS vs SS $W+\text{jet}$

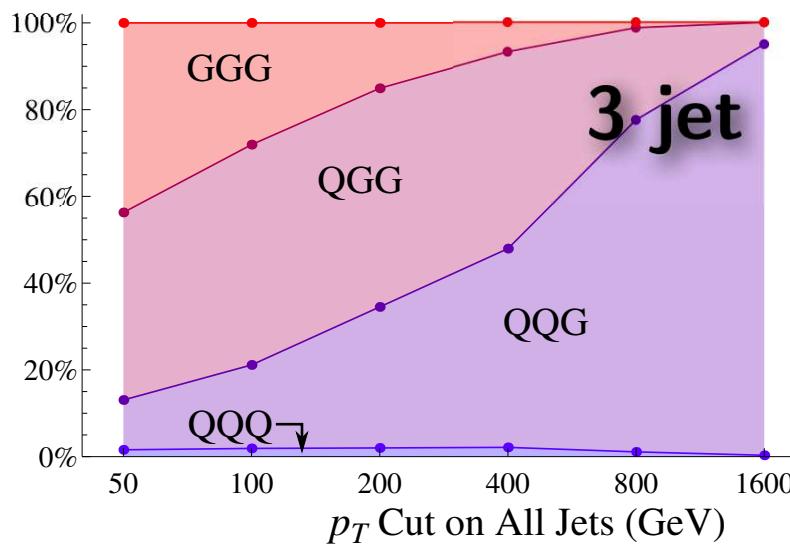
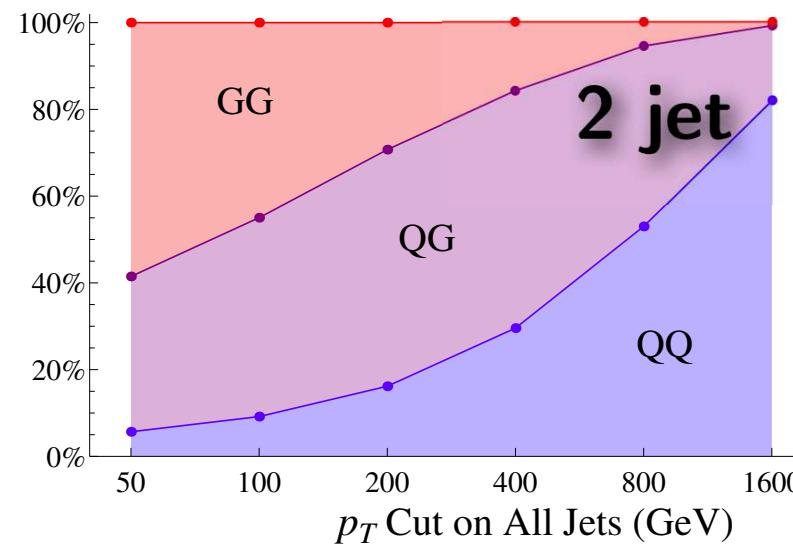
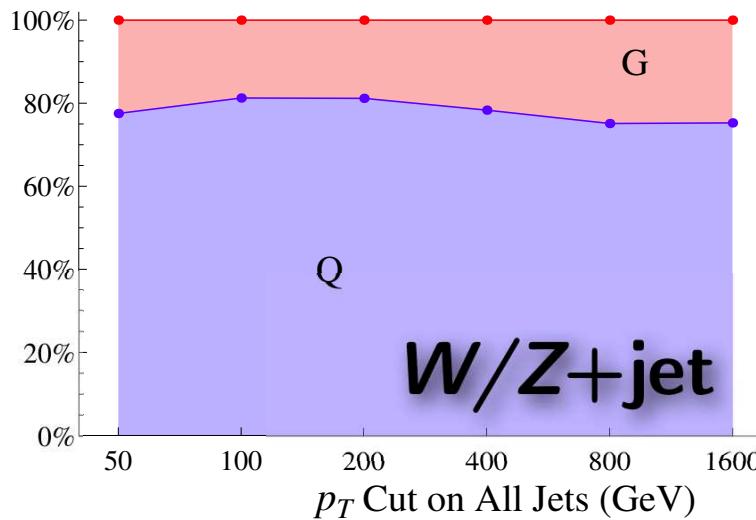
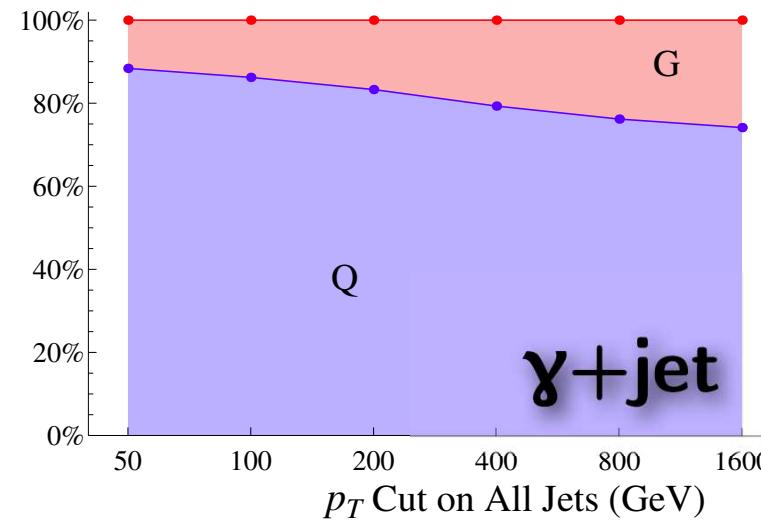
How does the quark/gluon fraction vary among samples?

Leading order $W+\text{jet}$ production:



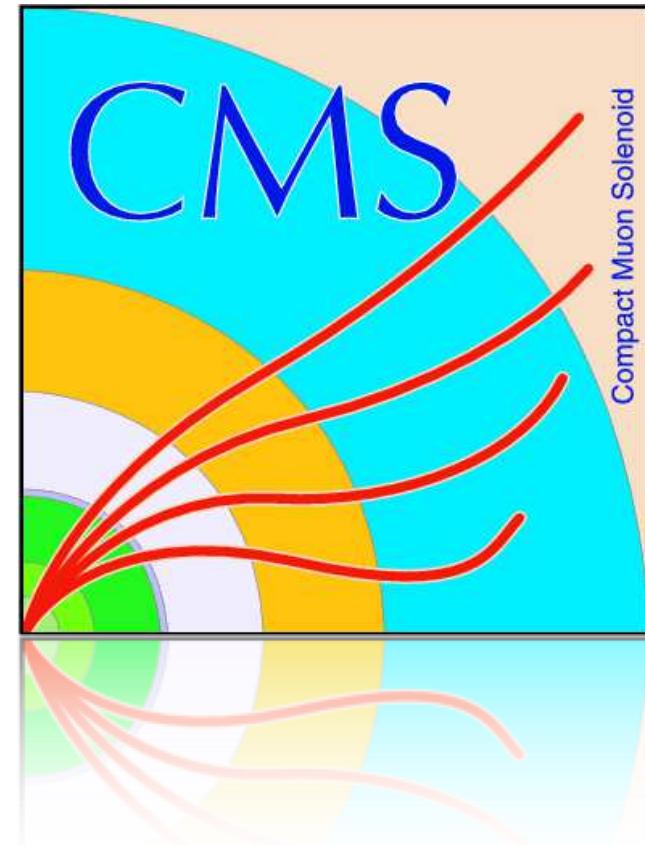
- The charge of the quark should correlate with the reconstructed charge of the tau candidate, therefore (a) and (b) preferably produce opposite sign $W+\text{jet}$ events.
- OS and SS will have different quark/gluon fractions.

Madgraph predicted Quark/Gluon



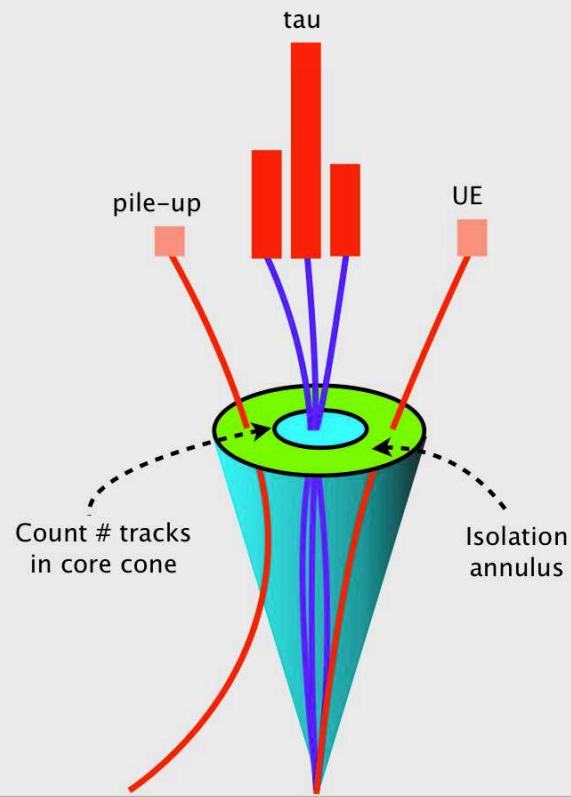
J. Gallicchio, M. Schwartz. "Pure Samples of Quark and Gluon Jets at the LHC". arXiv:1104.1175

CMS Tau ID

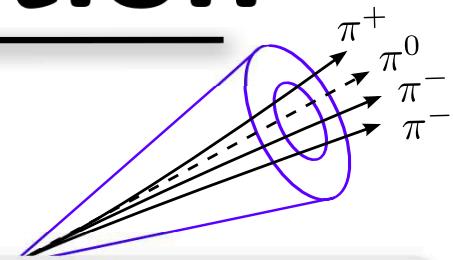


High- $p_T \tau_h$ reconstruction

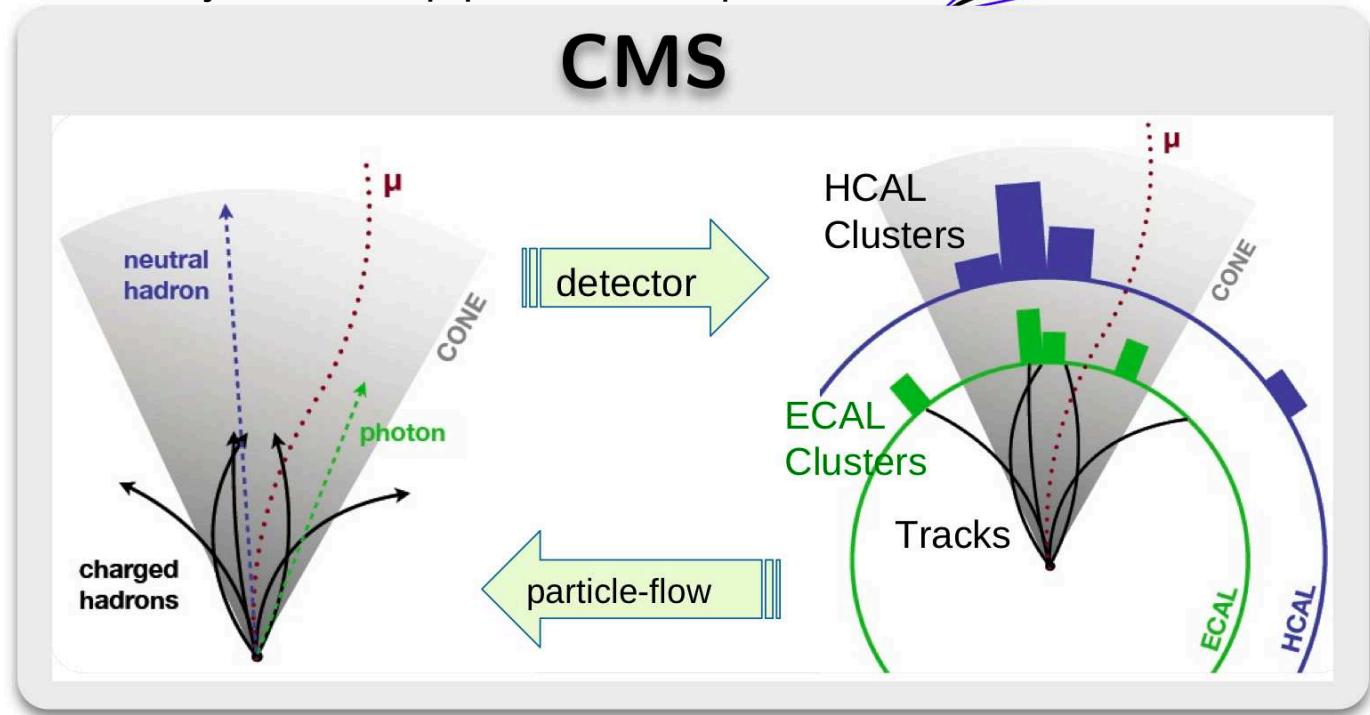
ATLAS



- Hadronic decays dominantly to 1 or 3 π^\pm and possibly a few additional π^0 s
- Decay in beam-pipe: $c\tau \approx 87 \mu\text{m}$



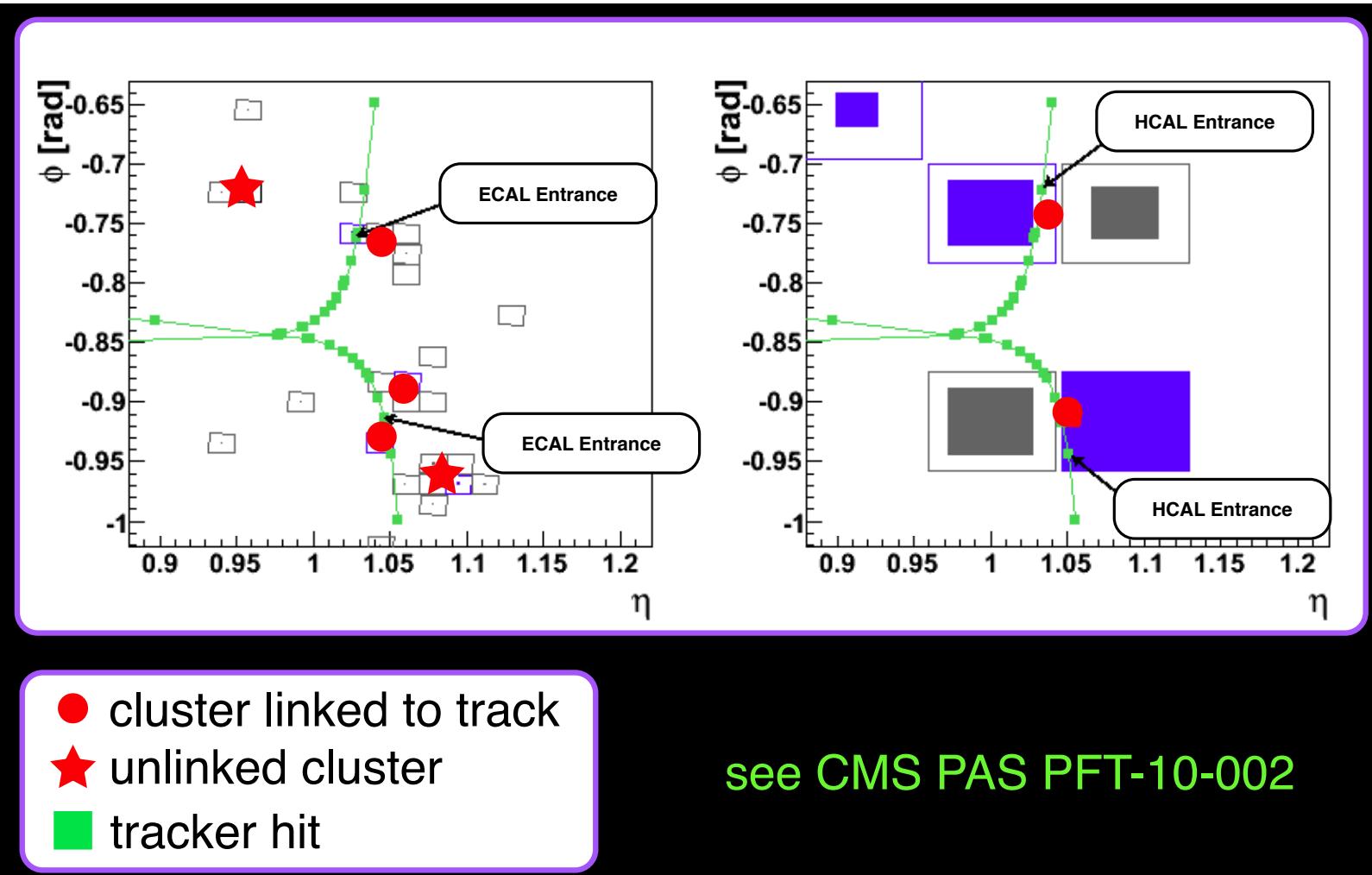
CMS



- τ_h reco seeded by calorimeter jets
- associate tracks in $\Delta R < 0.2$, select 1 or 3
- combine calorimeter and tracking information in a BDT or likelihood discriminant, preferring narrow clustering, hadronic activity

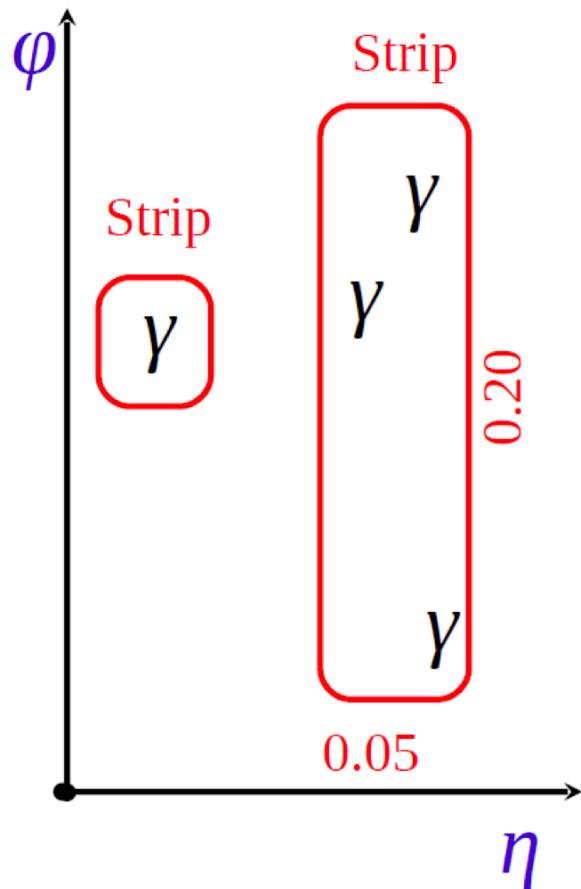
- particle-flow reconstructs constituent 4-vectors
- τ_h reco seeded by particle-flow hadrons
- Hadron Plus Strip (HPS) algorithm for counting π^0 s
- isolation cone for rejecting QCD jets

CMS Particle Flow



- Matches track to clusters to form charged and neutral PF objects.
- PF objects are used as input for all CMS tau reconstruction.

CMS: Hadron Plus Strip (HPS)



Build all possible taus
that have a ‘tau-like’ multiplicity
from the seed jet

$$\begin{aligned} &\pi^+ \\ &\pi^+ \pi^0 \\ &\pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \end{aligned}$$

tau that is ‘most isolated’
with compatible m_{vis}
is the final tau candidate
associated to the seed jet

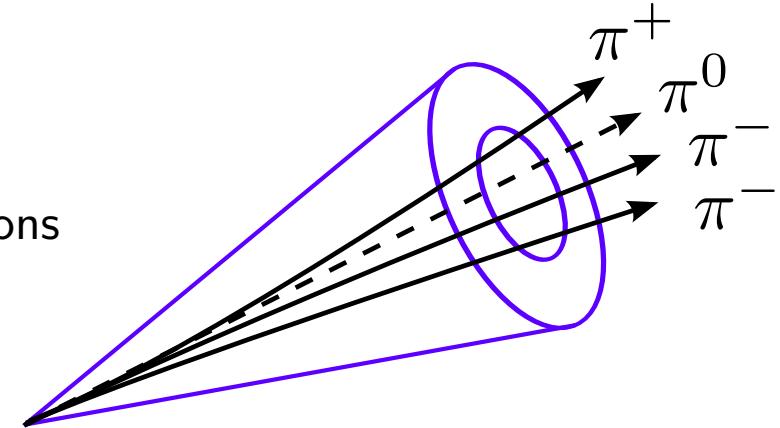
Discrimination with calorimeter based isolation $\Delta R < 0.5$.

[CMS PAS TAU-11-001]

CMS: Tau Neural Classifier (TaNC)

- Uses a *shrinking core-cone*:

- $\Delta R(\text{photons}) < 0.15$ for photons
- $\Delta R(\text{charged}) < (5 \text{ GeV})/E_T$ for charged hadrons
- $\Delta R(\text{charged}) < \Delta R(\text{isolation}) < 0.5$



- Immediately discarded if the candidate doesn't match an expected tau decay mode.

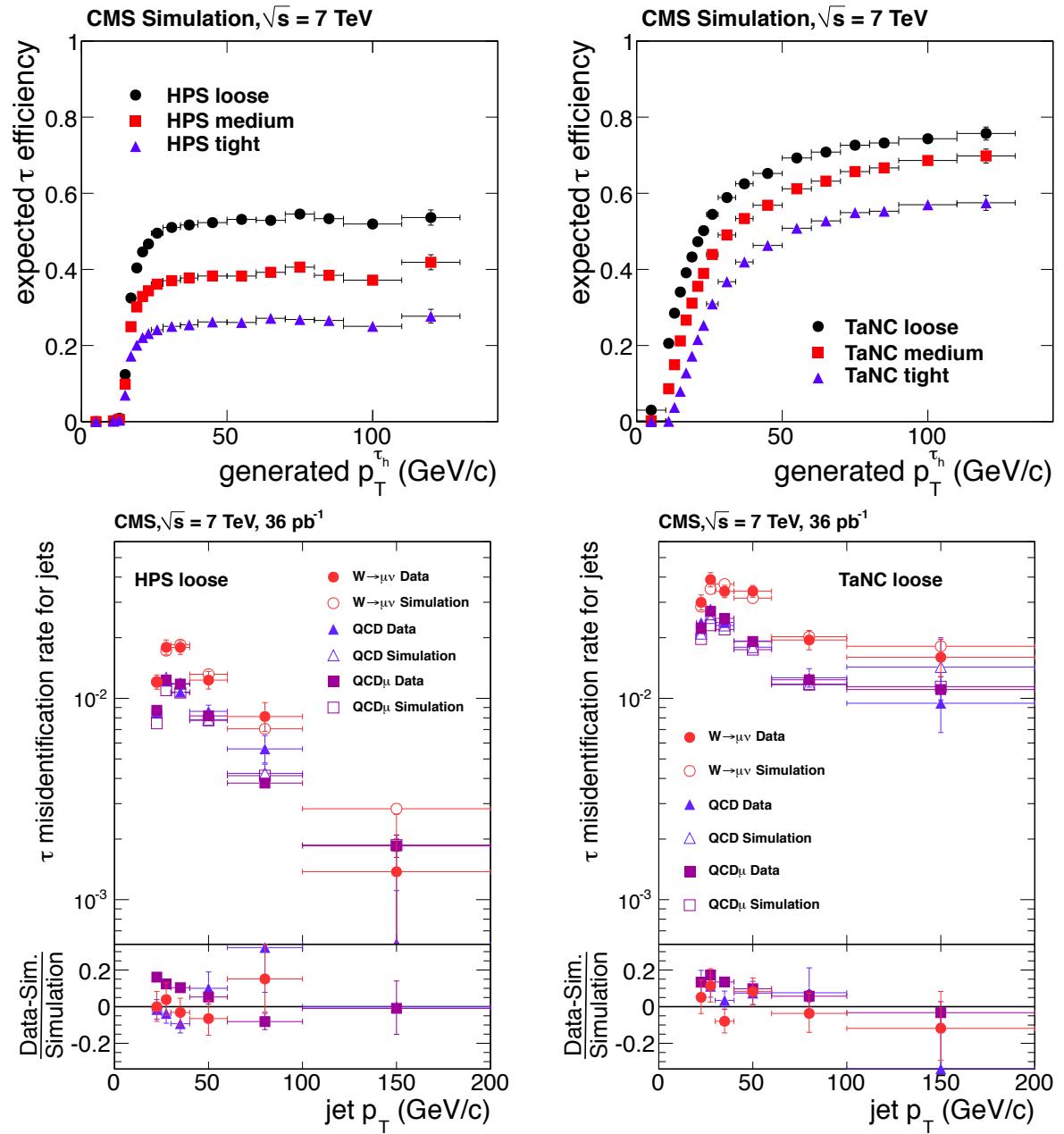
Decay mode	Resonance	Mass (MeV/c ²)	Branching fraction (%)
$\tau^- \rightarrow h^- \nu_\tau$			11.6%
$\tau^- \rightarrow h^- \pi^0 \nu_\tau$	ρ^-	770	26.0%
$\tau^- \rightarrow h^- \pi^0 \pi^0 \nu_\tau$	a_1^-	1200	9.5%
$\tau^- \rightarrow h^- h^+ h^- \nu_\tau$	a_1^-	1200	9.8%
$\tau^- \rightarrow h^- h^+ h^- \pi^0 \nu_\tau$			4.8%

- Dedicated Neural-net classifier for each decay mode

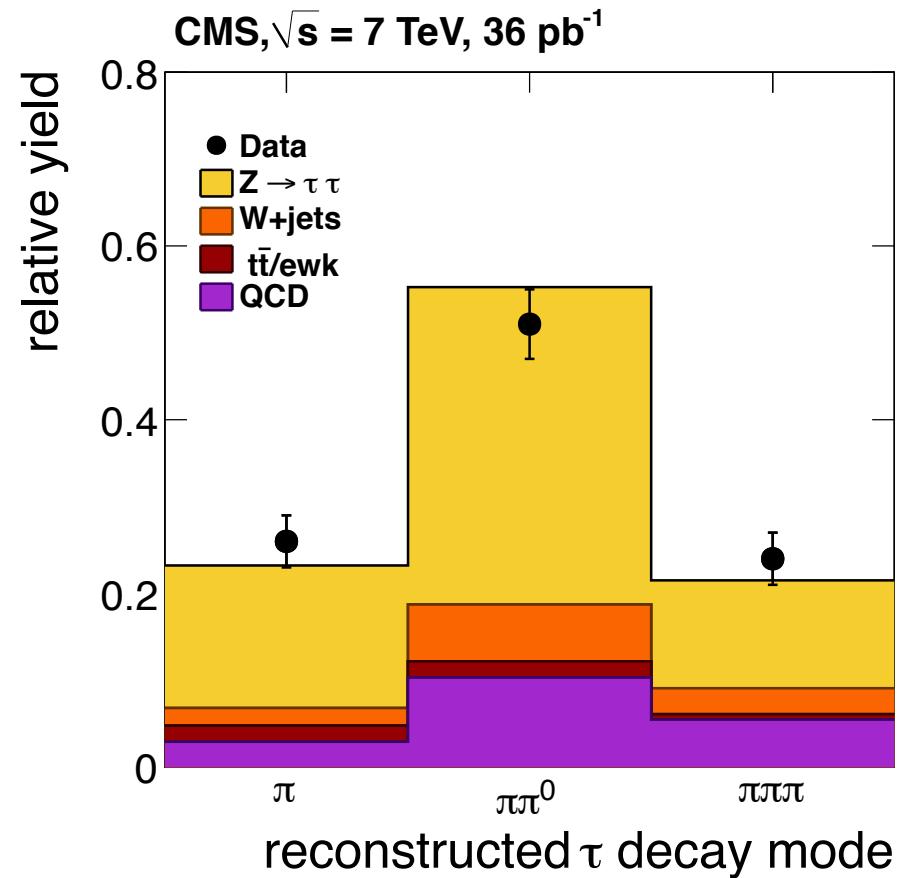
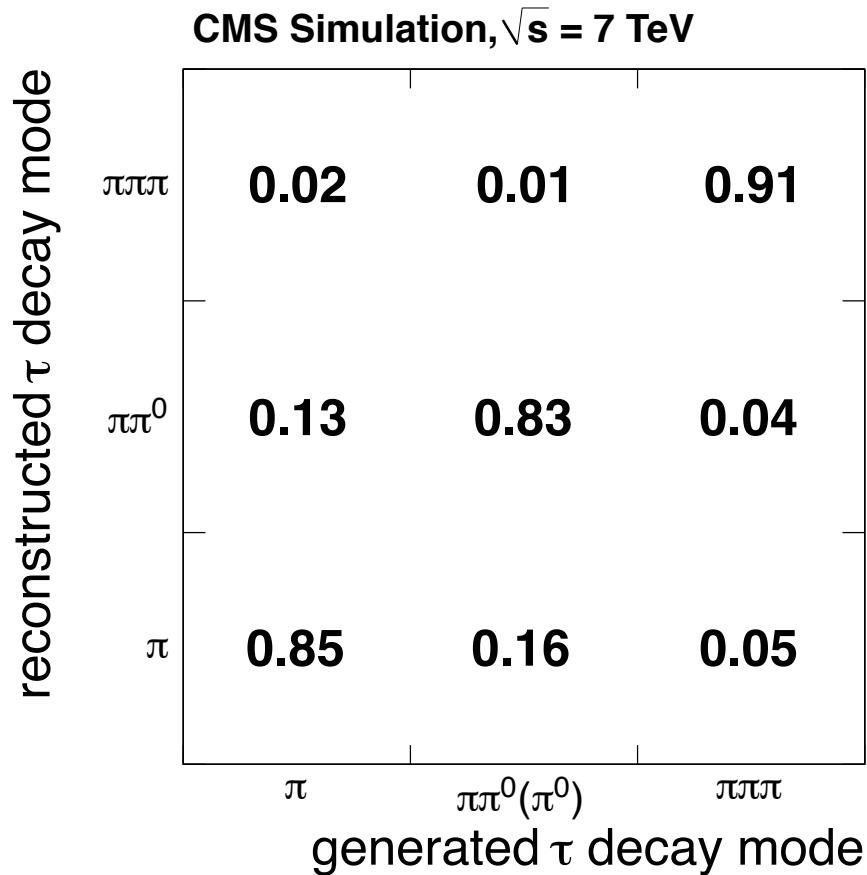
[CMS PAS TAU-11-001]

CMS Performance

- Not trivial to compare ATLAS and CMS tau performance because we bin fake-rates in $N(\text{track})$ instead of categorizing the decay mode.



CMS decay mode ID



Calorimeter granularity

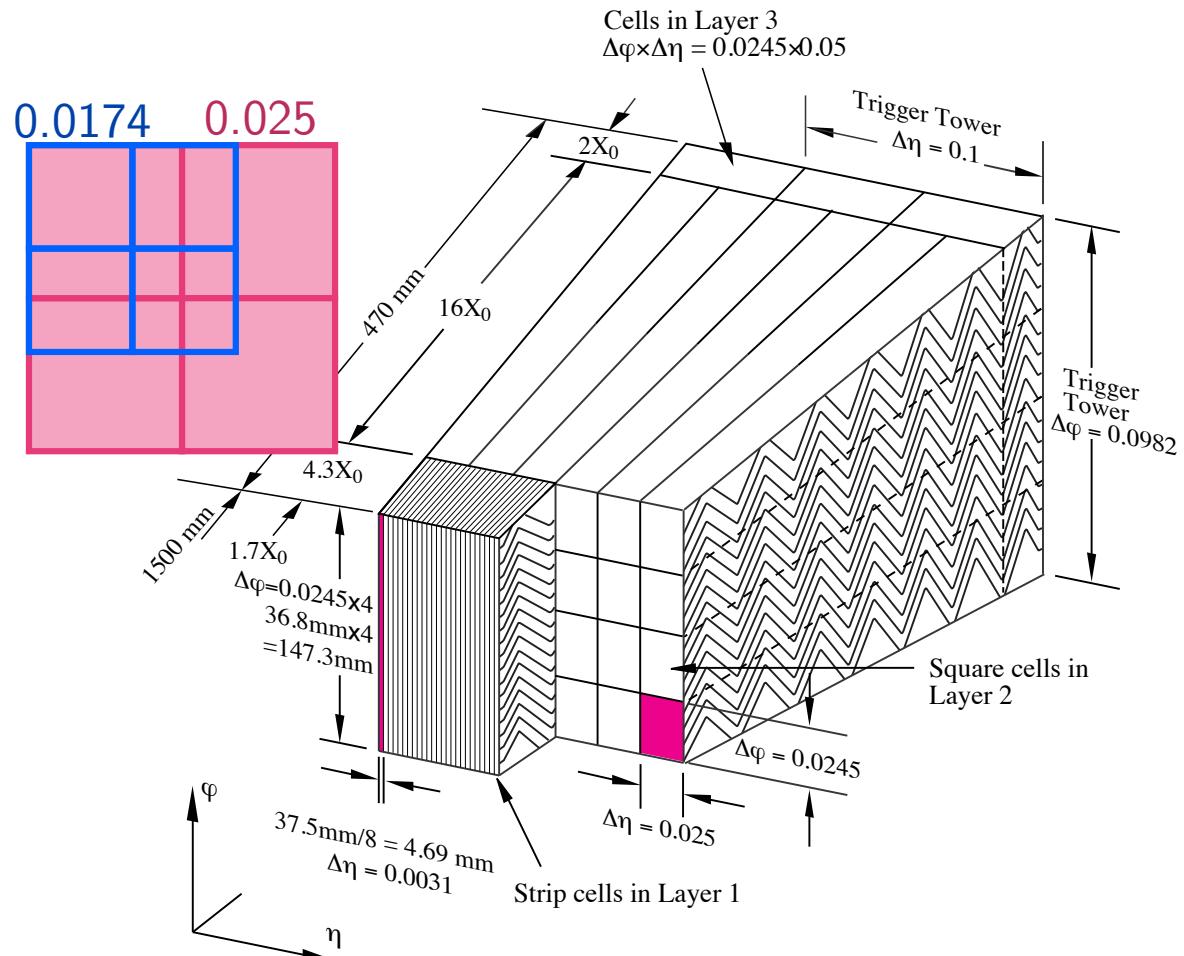
ATLAS

- $B = 2.0 \text{ T}$
- $\Delta\eta \times \Delta\phi = 0.025 \times 0.0245$
- $R = 0.4$ anti- k_T topo-jets

CMS

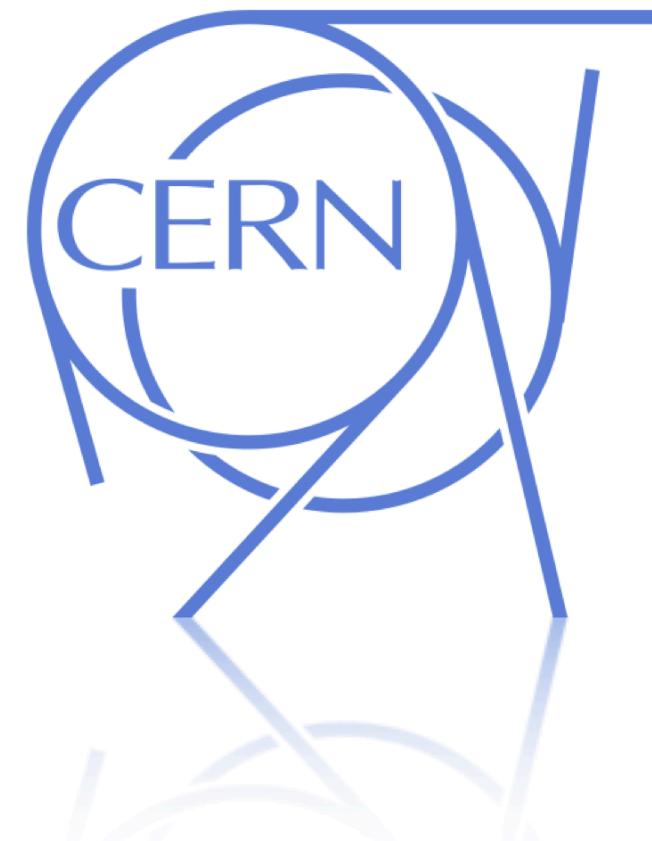
- $B = 3.8 \text{ T}$
- $\Delta\eta \times \Delta\phi = 0.0174 \times 0.0174$
- $R = 0.5$ anti- k_T PF-jets

ATLAS Barrel EM Calorimeter



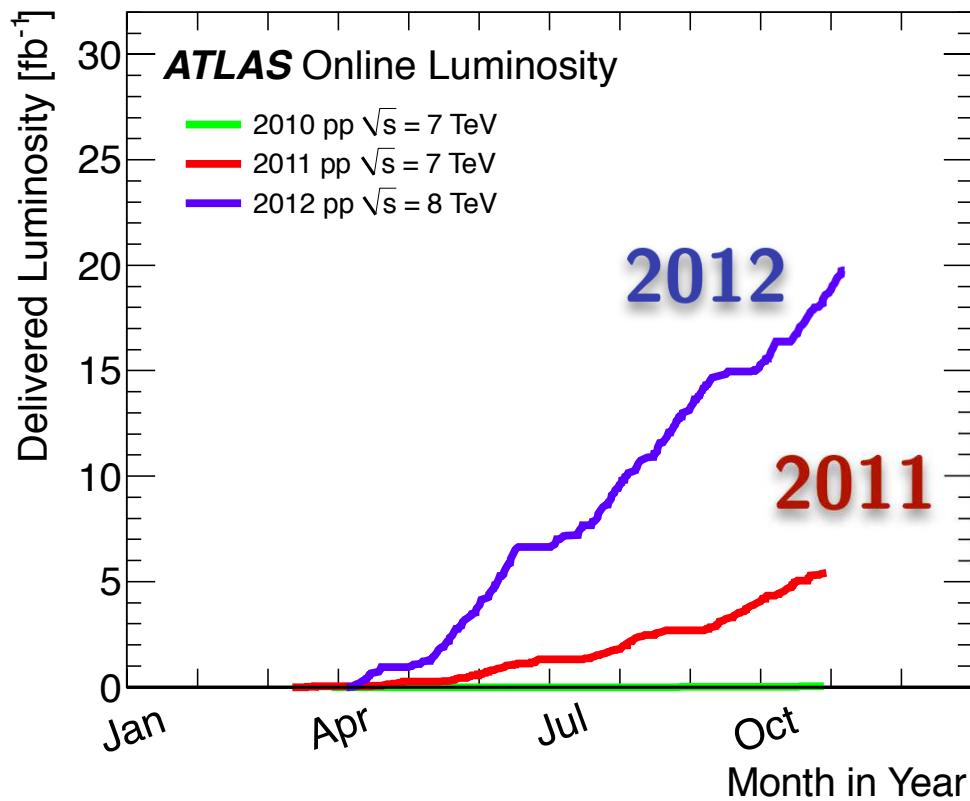
Granularity could fundamentally limit our capacity to reconstruct sub-structure / π^0 s.

The LHC, ATLAS, and CMS

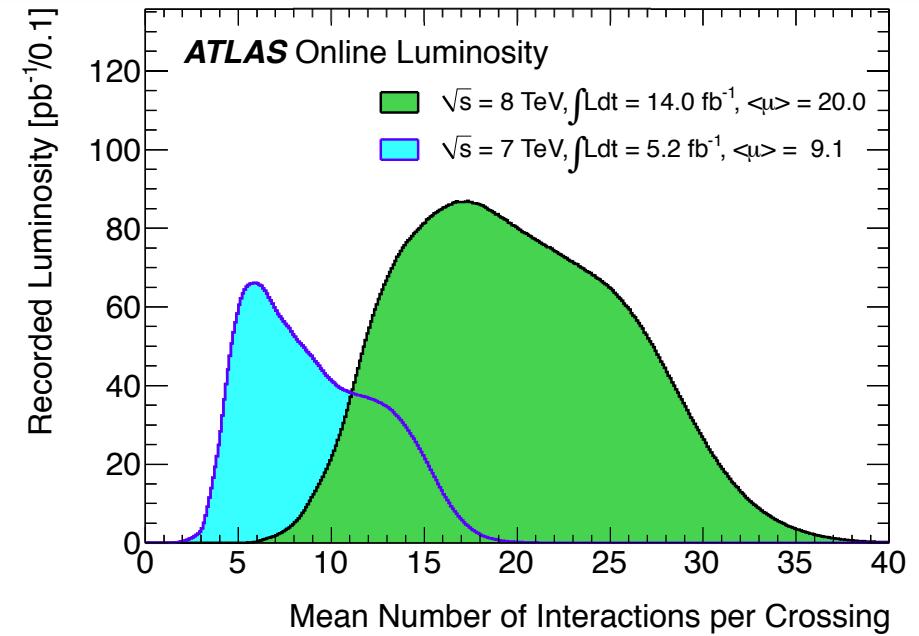
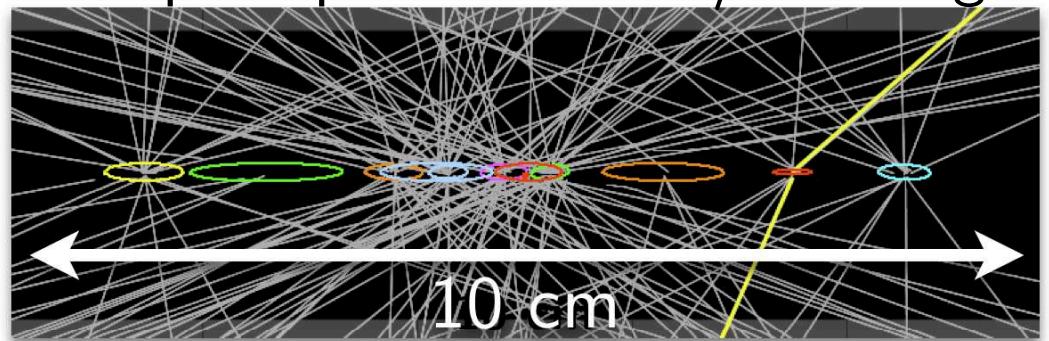


Datasets

Integrated luminosity by year

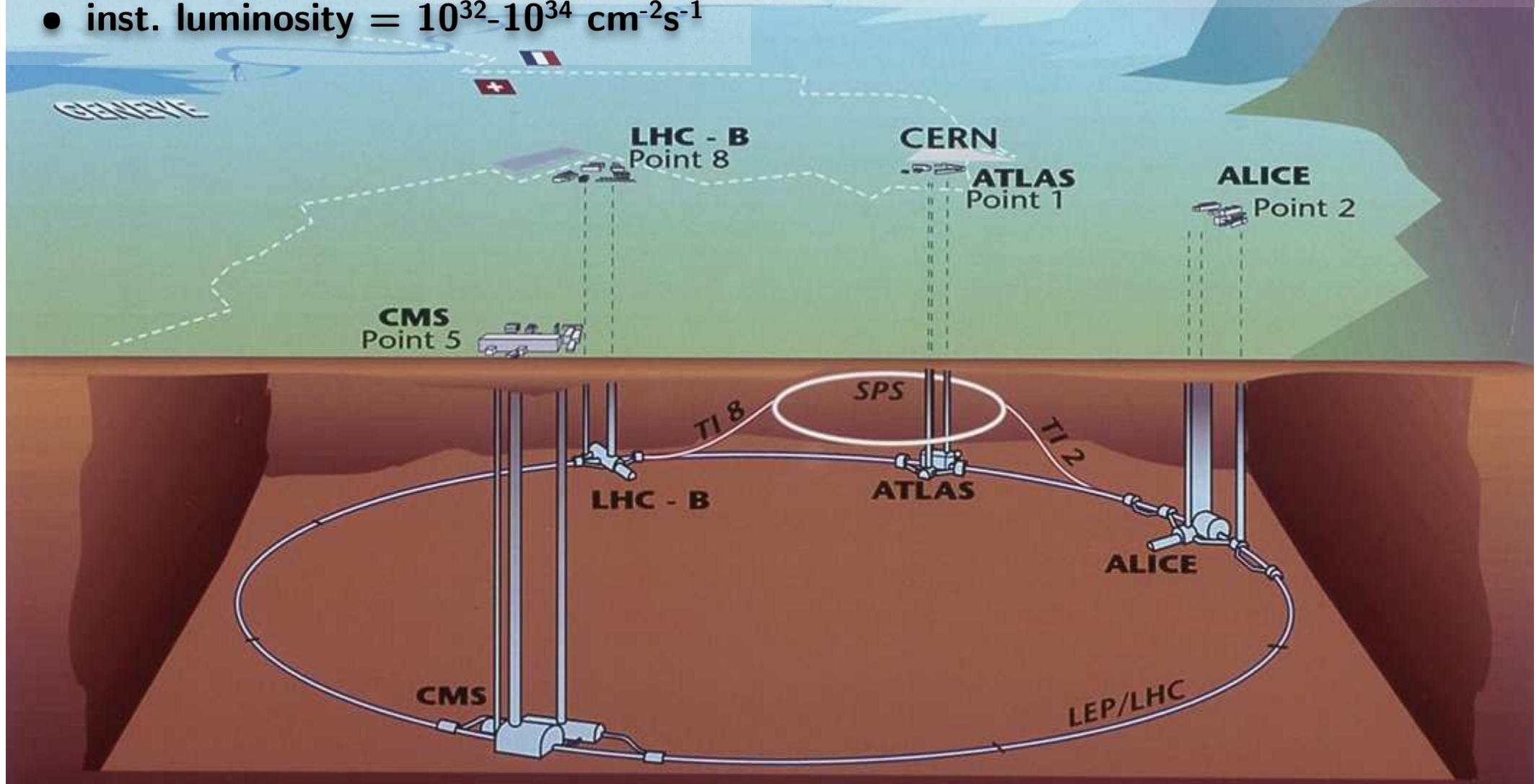


1-40 pile-up interactions / crossing

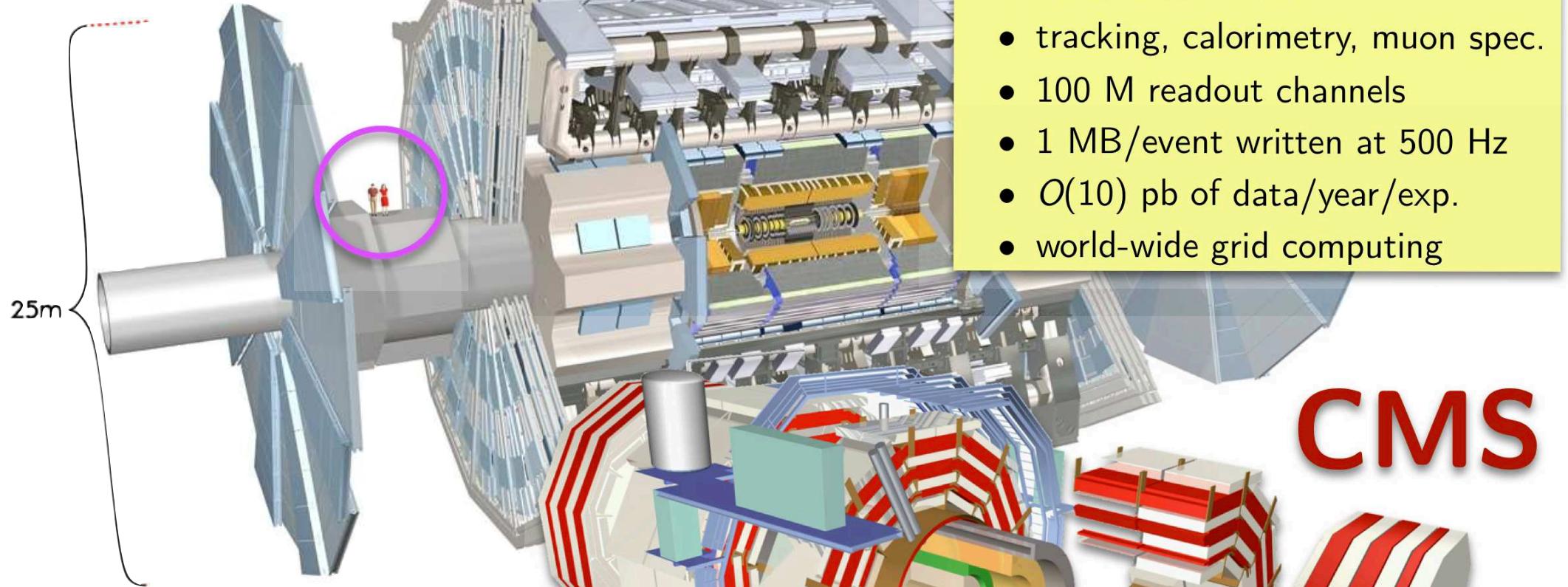


Overall view of the LHC experiments.

- 27 km circumference
- 1232 dipoles: 15 m , 8.3 T
- 96 tonnes liquid He, 1.9 K
- p-p collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7\text{-}8 \text{ TeV}$
- inst. luminosity = $10^{32}\text{-}10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
- 10^{11} protons / bunch \times 1000 bunches
- 20 MHz , 50 ns bunch spacing
- 1-30 interactions / crossing
- 0.5×10^9 interactions / sec



ATLAS



ATLAS:

- 2T solenoid, 4T air-core toroid
- 3-layer Pb-LAr samp. EM-cal

CMS:

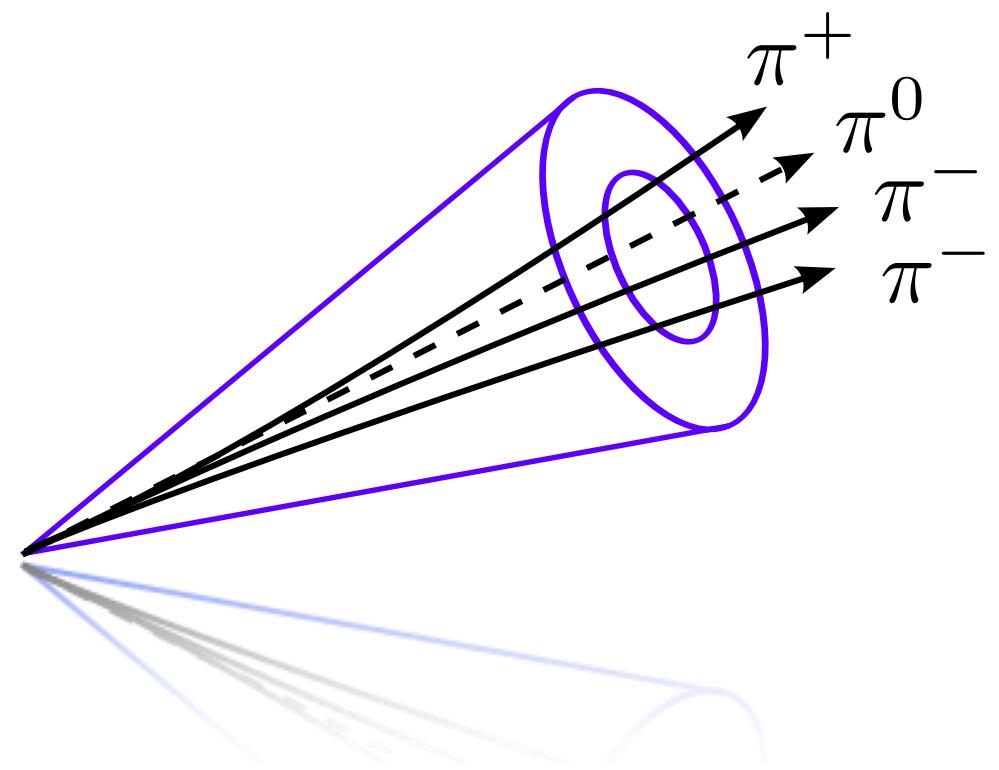
- 3.8T solenoid
- PbWO₄ crystal EM-cal



Each experiment has:

- 3000 scientists
- 170+ institutions
- tracking, calorimetry, muon spec.
- 100 M readout channels
- 1 MB/event written at 500 Hz
- $O(10)$ pb of data/year/exp.
- world-wide grid computing

References



Charged Higgs

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 - “Search for charged Higgs bosons decaying via $H^\pm \rightarrow \tau^\pm \nu$ in $t\bar{t}$ events using pp collision data at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV with the ATLAS detector” [arxiv:1204.2760]
- CMS
 - “Search for a light charged Higgs boson in top quark decays in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV” [arxiv:1205.5736]

SUSY

- ATLAS

- “Search for events with large missing transverse momentum, jets, and at least two tau leptons in 7 TeV proton-proton collision data with the ATLAS detector” [arxiv: 1203.6580]
- “Search for supersymmetry with jets, missing transverse momentum and at least one hadronically decaying τ lepton in proton-proton collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV with the ATLAS detector” [arxiv:1204.3852]

- CMS

- “Search for anomalous production of multilepton events in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV” [arxiv:1204.5341]
- “Search for new physics with same-sign isolated dilepton events with jets and missing transverse energy” [arxiv:1205.6615]
- “Search for new physics in events with opposite-sign leptons, jets, and missing transverse energy in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV” [arxiv:1206.3949]

Exotics

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 - “A search for high-mass resonances decaying to $\tau^+\tau^-$ in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV with the ATLAS detector” [ATLAS-CONF-2012-067]
- CMS
 - “Search for high-mass resonances decaying into τ -lepton pairs in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV” [arvix:1206.1725]
 - “Search for pair production of third generation leptoquarks and stops that decay to a tau and a b quark” [CMS PAS EXO-12-002]

Tau performance

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 - “Performance of the Reconstruction and Identification of Hadronic Tau Decays with ATLAS” [ATLAS-CONF-2011-152]
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 - <https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/AtlasPublic/TauTriggerPublicResults>

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 - “Commissioning of the particle-flow event reconstruction with leptons from J/Psi and W decays at 7 TeV” [CMS PAS PFT-10-003]
 - “Study of tau reconstruction algorithms using pp collisions data collected at $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$ ” [CMS PAS PFT-10-004]