





# Intruduction

## • Plan:

Measurement of the inclusive Z+jets cross section and comparison with QCD predictions

-> stringent test of perturbative QCD  
(Z mass delivers a hard scale for pQCD)

-> derive predictions for backgrounds  
(W/Z +jets) for searches (Higgs, SUSY)

-> New physics with large jet momenta

## • Preparation:

- Feasibility study with fully-simulated data

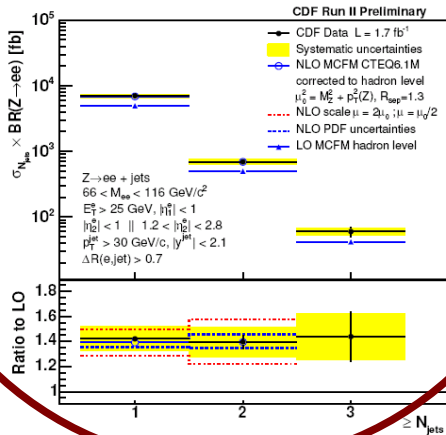
- Trigger and reconstyruction in high-multiplicity environment

- Analysis techniques

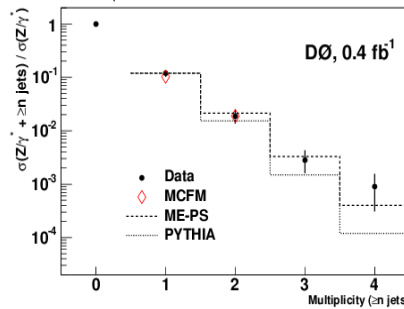
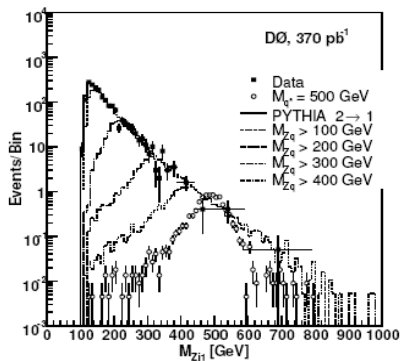
- statistical and systematic limitations

- generator validation with theory prediction  
(not the thrust of this study)

Probe standard model predictions



Exited quarks, Leptoquarks, ...



Validation of generators  
(Pythia, Alpgen ..)

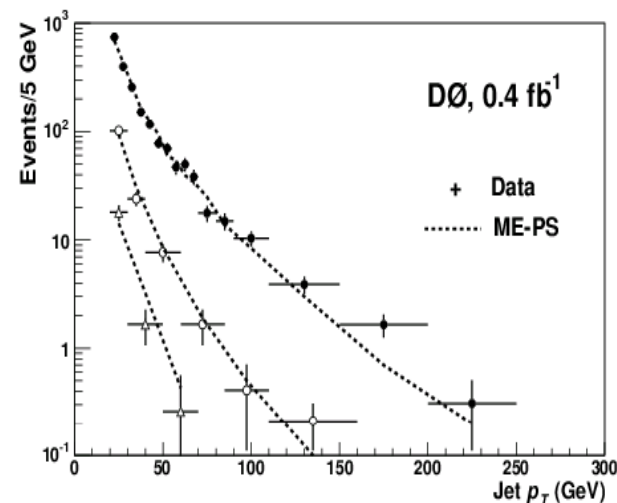
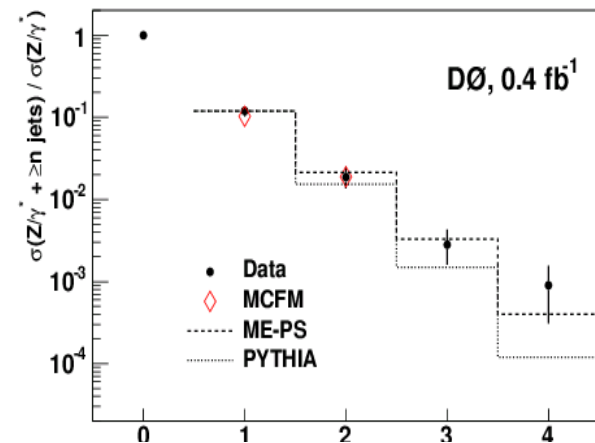
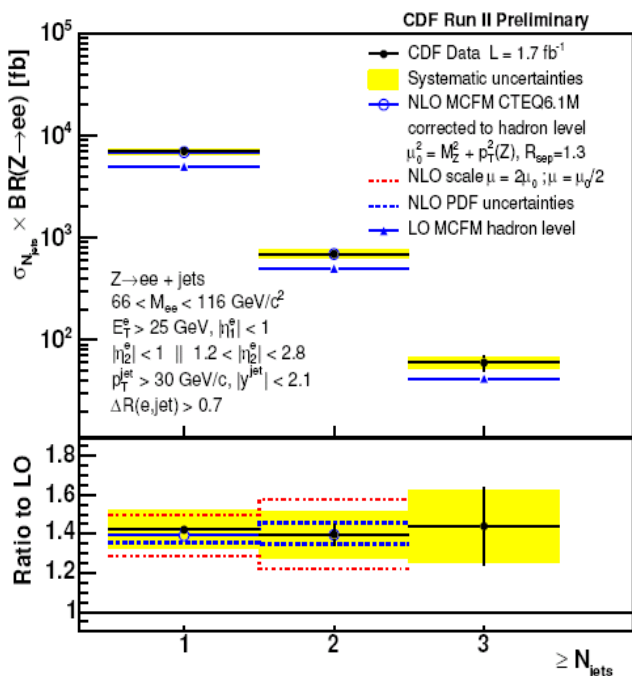
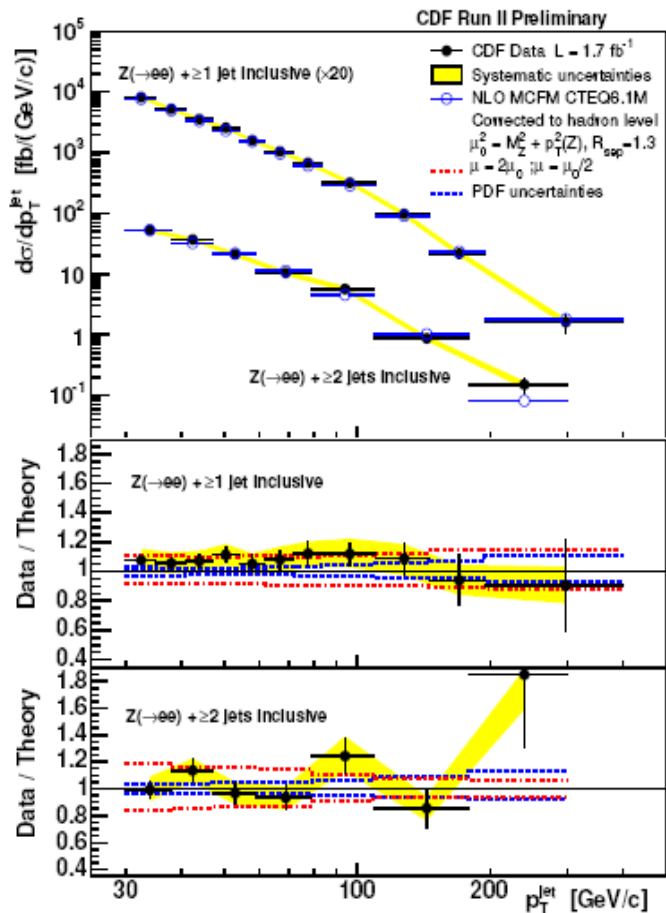
W/Z+jets: Background  
for Susy and Higgs searches



# Z+jets cross section at the Tevatron

Inclusive and differential cross sections:

- reasonable statistics up to  $PT(\text{jet}) \sim 200 \text{ GeV}$
- Data agrees with NLO predictions
- ME+PS yield better description than Pythia

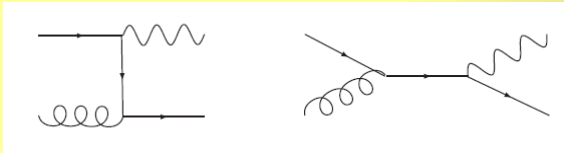


Observables:

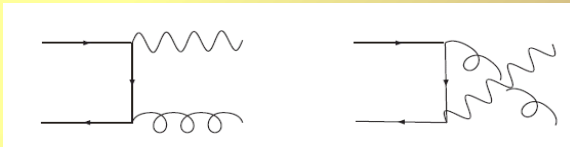
- Inclusive jet multiplicity
- $PT$  any jet/leading jet in events with  $\geq 1$  jet
- $PT$  any jet/next-to-leading jet in events with  $\geq 2$  jets

# Z+jets cross production at LHC

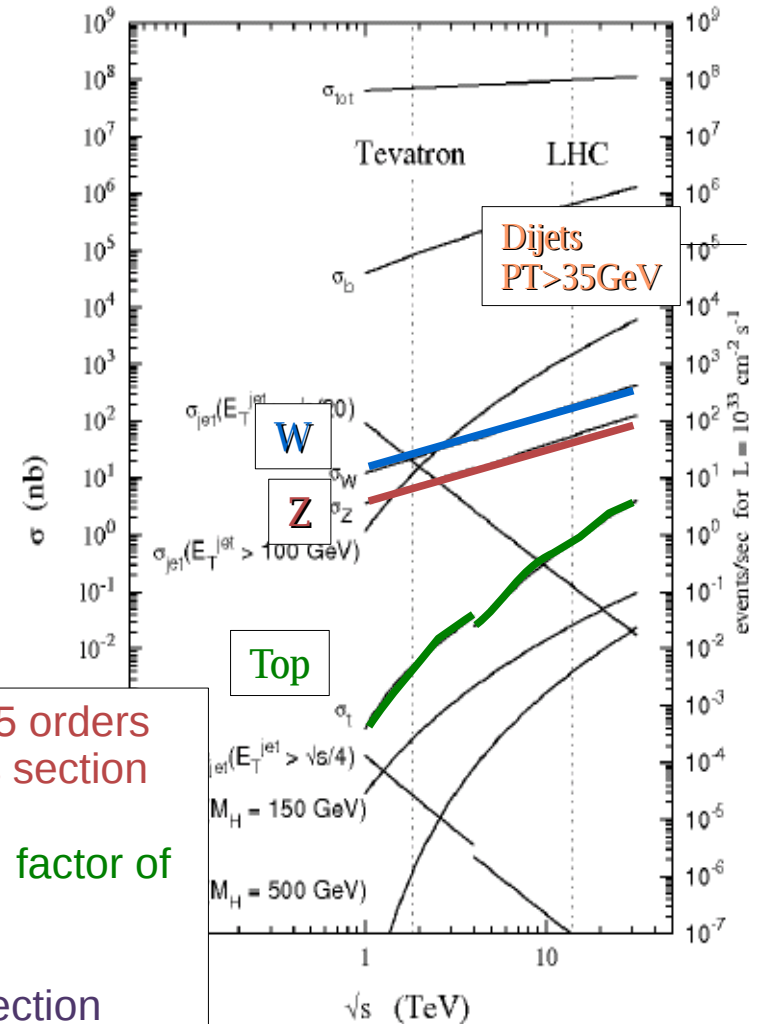
- Compton process: dominating



- Annihilation process



- The Dijet cross section ( $PT > 35 \text{ GeV}$ ) is 5 orders of magnitude larger than the  $Z \rightarrow ll$  cross section
- Top background fraction enhanced by a factor of 10 compared to Tevatron
- W cross factor 10 larger than Z cross section but larger systematics from background





# MC samples and Selection

## Signal:

- Alpgen+Herwig Z->ee+jets: 400000 evts, >500 pb-1
- Pythia Z->ee (inclusive) : 170000 evts, 120 pb-1

## Background:

- Pythia Filtered Dijets: 3012000 evts, 0.015pb-1  
with weighting: ~200 pb-1
- Pythia Ttbar incl: 500000 evts, 625 pb-1  
comparisons with McatNLO, Acer
- Pythia Z->tautau->ll: 170000 evts, 2200 pb-1
- Pythia W->ev: 180000 evts, 17 pb-1

.... Similar for Z->  $\mu\mu$ ,  
QCD: Bbbar events with dimuon filter (4+6 GeV)  
W background also from Alpgen

## QCD background for Z->ee + jets:

- Data:
  - combined Sig+Bkg fit of Z-resonance
  - invert ID cuts
- MC:
  - start with filtered Dijets,
  - discard W,Z,Ttbar
  - apply only very loose electron selection
  - weight with additional rejection from final ID (different for electrons which match or don't to generated electrons)

## Electrons:

- Medium electron (shower shape, track match)
- OR of isolated single and DiEM trigger
- PT>25 GeV
- $|\eta| < 2.4$ , cracks excluded:

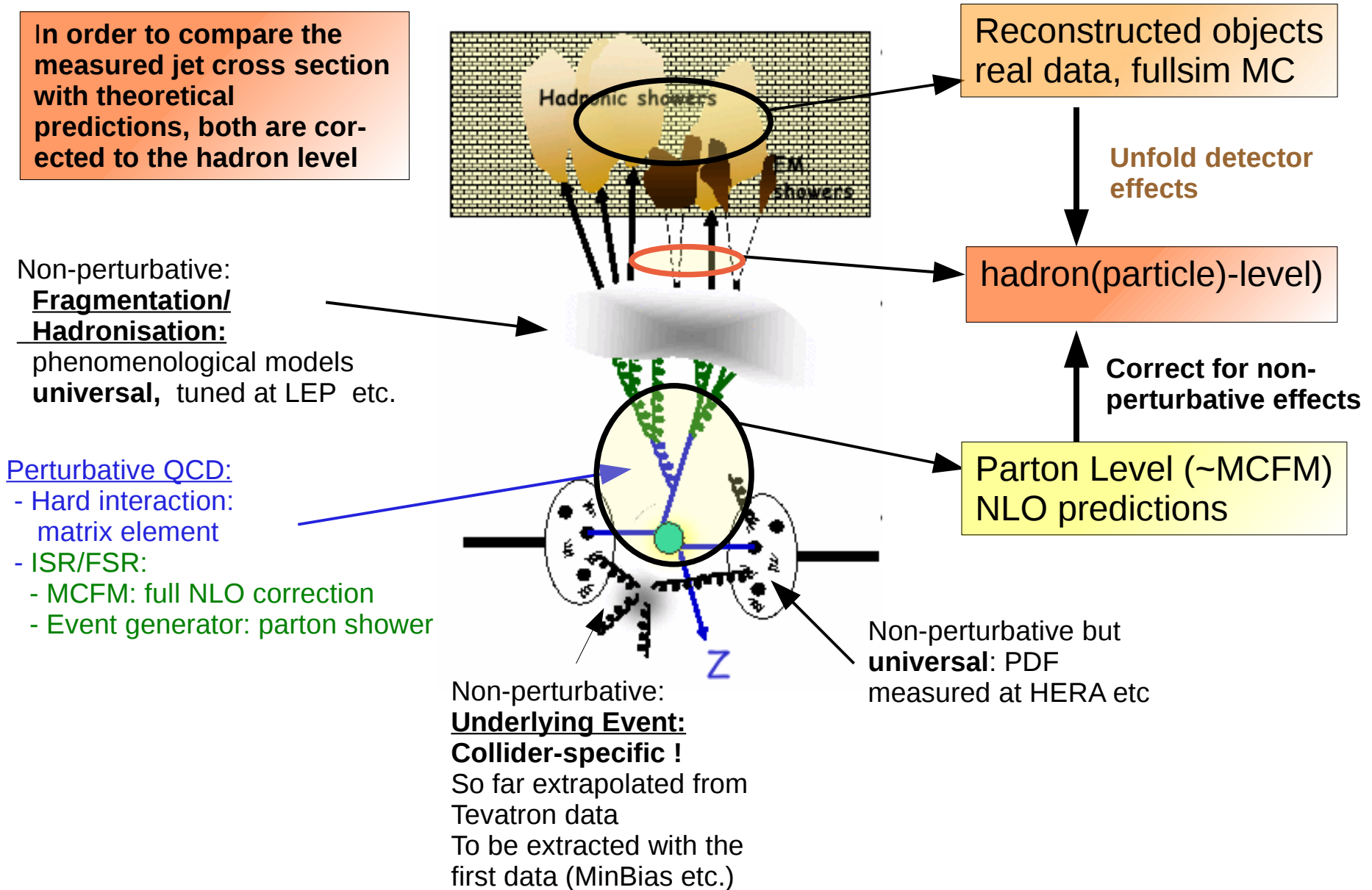
## Muons:

- Inner detector and muon chambers (Staco algorithm)
- ET<15GeV in isolation cone, DR=0.2
- PT>15 GeV
- $|\eta| < 2.4$ , cracks excluded:

## Jets:

- Here: seeded Cone, DR=04
  - Z->ee: cell towers
  - Z->mumu: Topo clusters
- Lepton veto (DR < 0.4)
- ET > 40 GeV
- Eta < 3.0

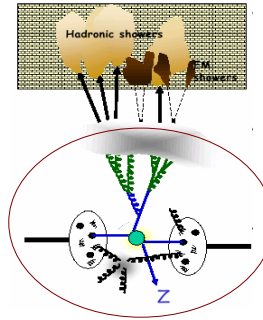
# Z+jets cross section at ATLAS





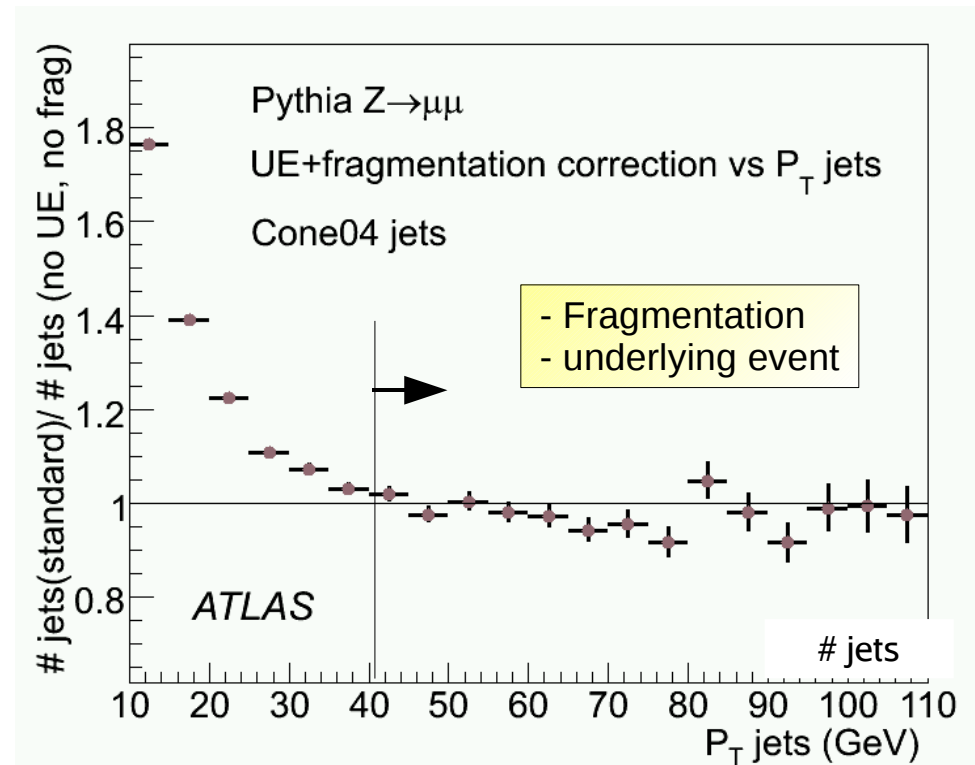
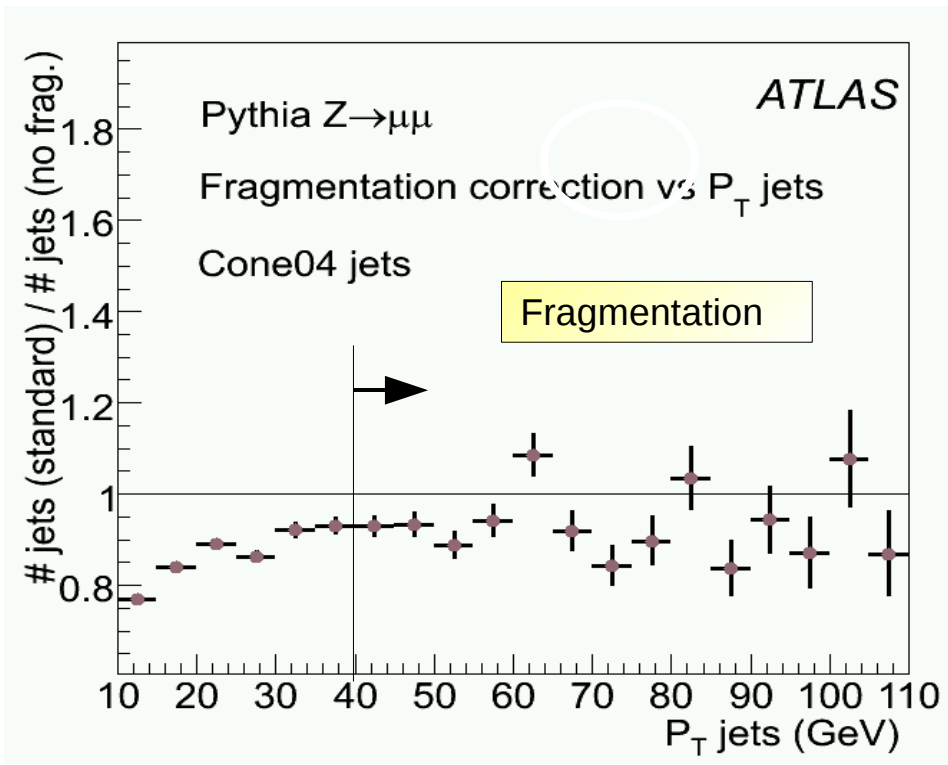
# From parton to hadron level

- Generated Pythia Z→mumu
  - standard
  - no underlying event
  - no fragmentation
- Jets clustered with the final state particles
- Compare Jet PT spectrum:  
#evts (standard )/#evts (modified) -
- > correction for parton-level predictions



- > Fragmentation: energy loss at low-PT
- > Underlying event: additional jets at low-PT increased PT
- > Corrections small for jet PT > 40 GeV
- > from lack of statistics: apply global residual correction for PT > 40 GeV

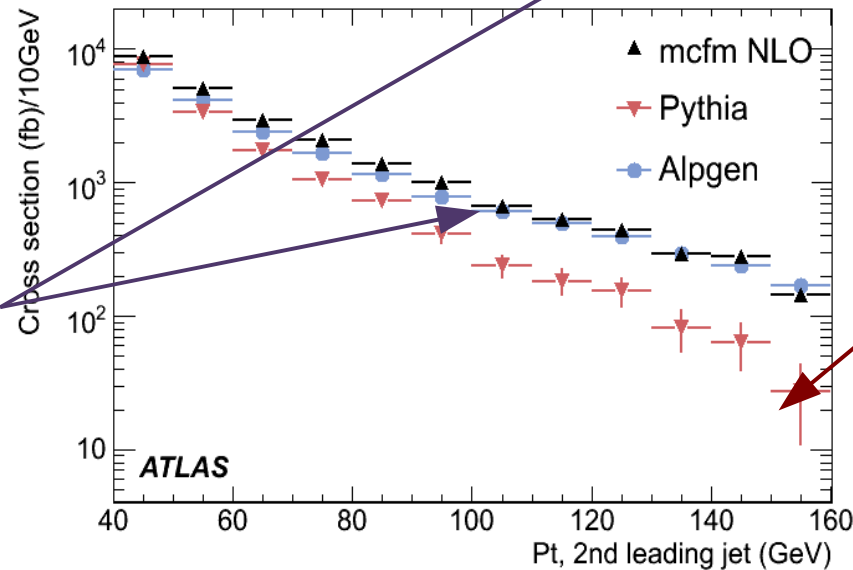
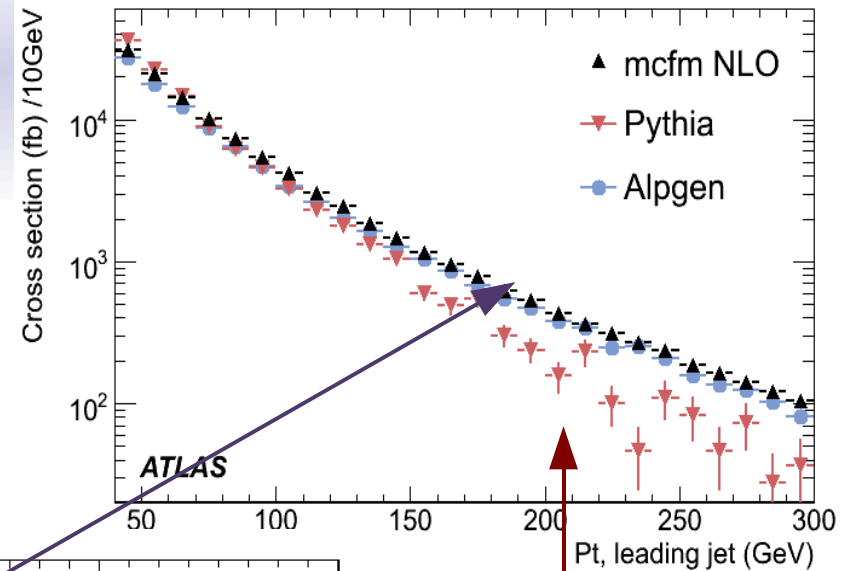
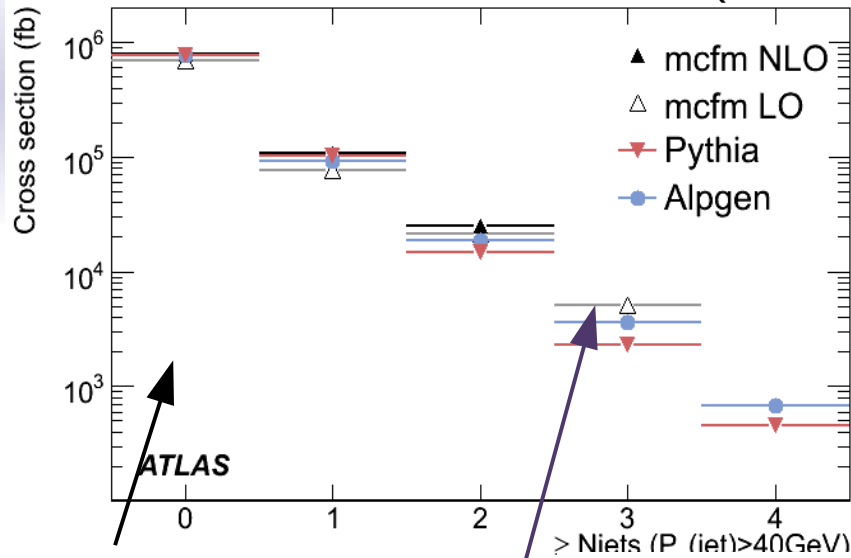
In real ATLAS: tune MC with MinBias data





# Observables: Generators and MCFM

( Example:  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  )



Global “k-factor” (1.2-1.3) extracted for our fiducial volume :scaling of the inclusive sample to the MCFM NLO prediction

**Alpgen:**  
-Differential XS agrees with MCFM  
-predicts too low jet multiplicities

**Pythia:**  
- predicts softer jet spectrum than Alpgen  
- too low jet multiplicities

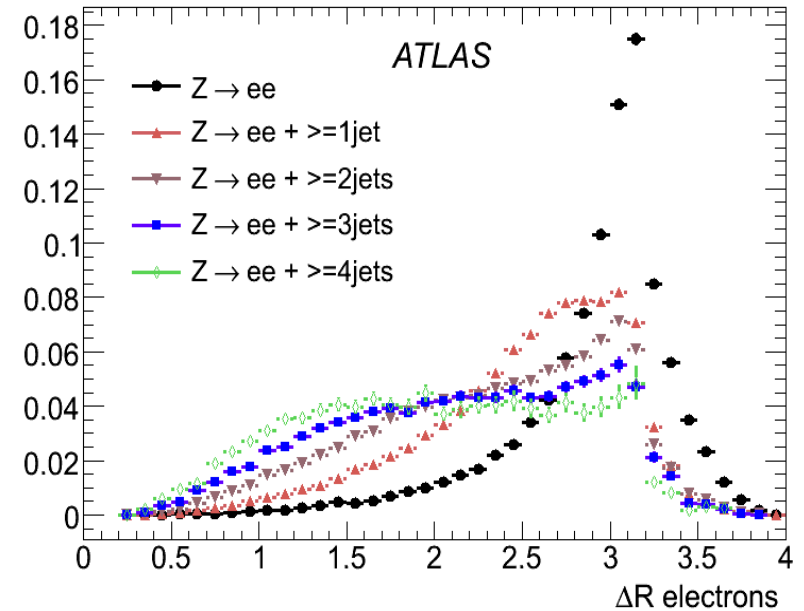
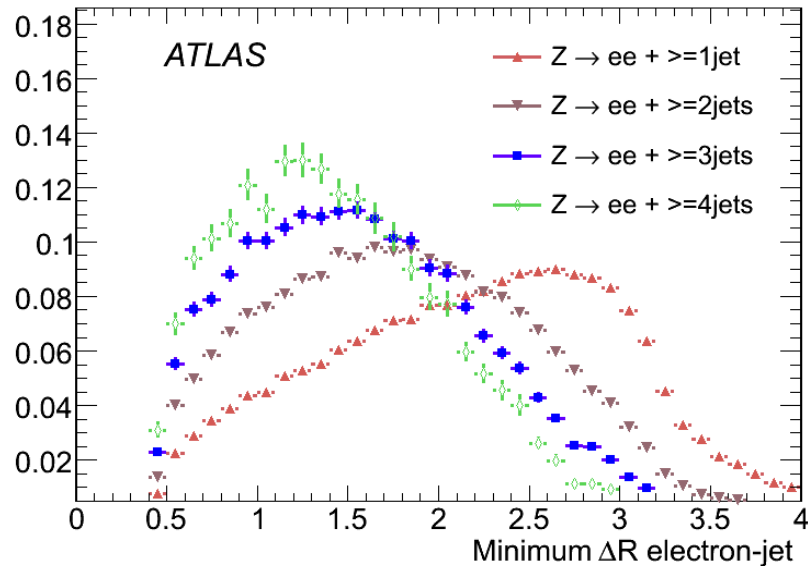
**Errors:**  
- generators: statistics  
- MCFM: PDF, residual fragmentation correction

Side remark: replacing CTEQ6m by CTEQ6l PDFs does not account for differences (XS increases by 5%/ 10%/ 15% for Z+1/2/3 jets)



# Feasibility study on fully-simulated data

# Lepton reconstruction with large jet multiplicity

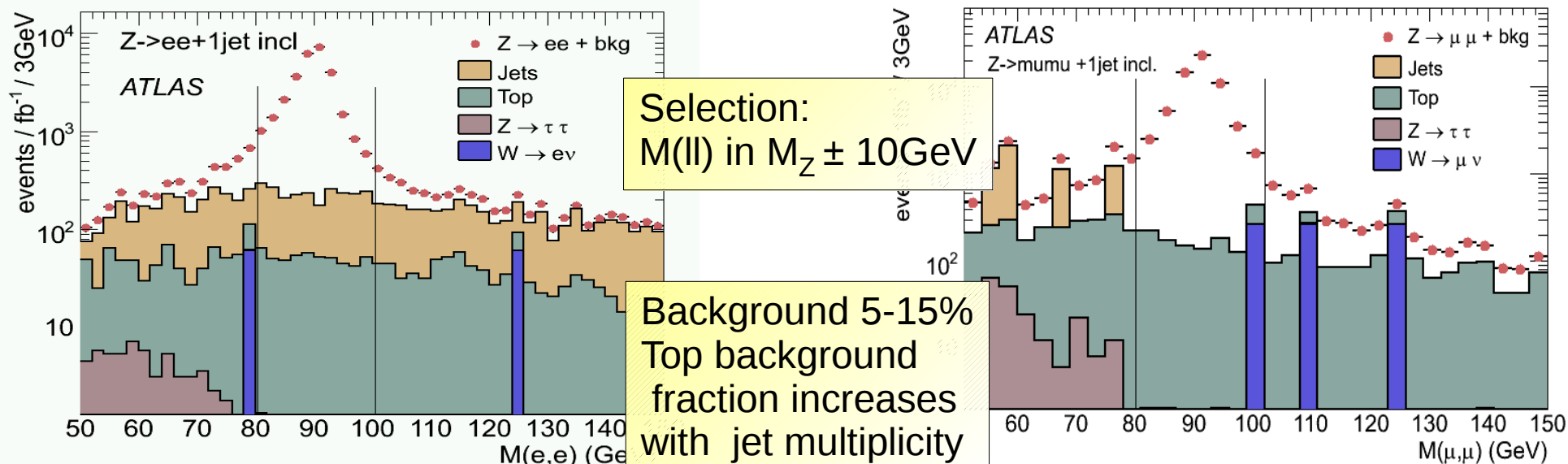


- DR between electrons and between electrons and jets becomes smaller with increasing jet-PT / jet multiplicity
- > check for bias in trigger and reco efficiency

- Electron trigger isolation for large jet multiplicity:
  - efficiency loss of 20% for trigger electron for low DR(e, jet): 0.4-0.6 recovered by OR-ing of single and di-electron trigger ✓
- Electron reconstruction for large jet-PT (high multiplicity):
  - Z reco efficiency stable vs jet PT (minimum DR>0.2 between electrons) ✓
- Muon isolation with large jet multiplicity:
  - Z→mumu: avoid bias by reducing Isolation cone from 0.4-0.5 to 0.2 ✓



# Signal and backgrounds



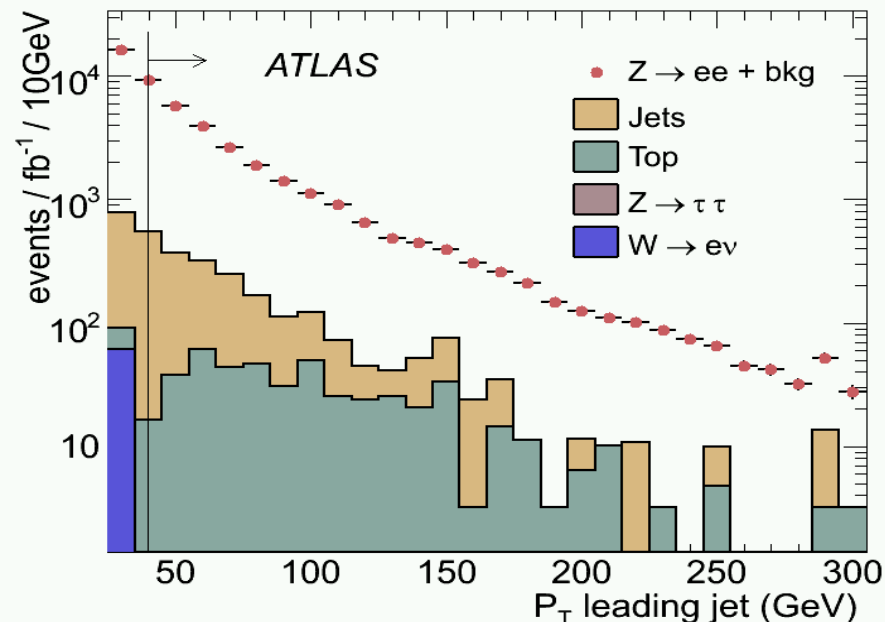
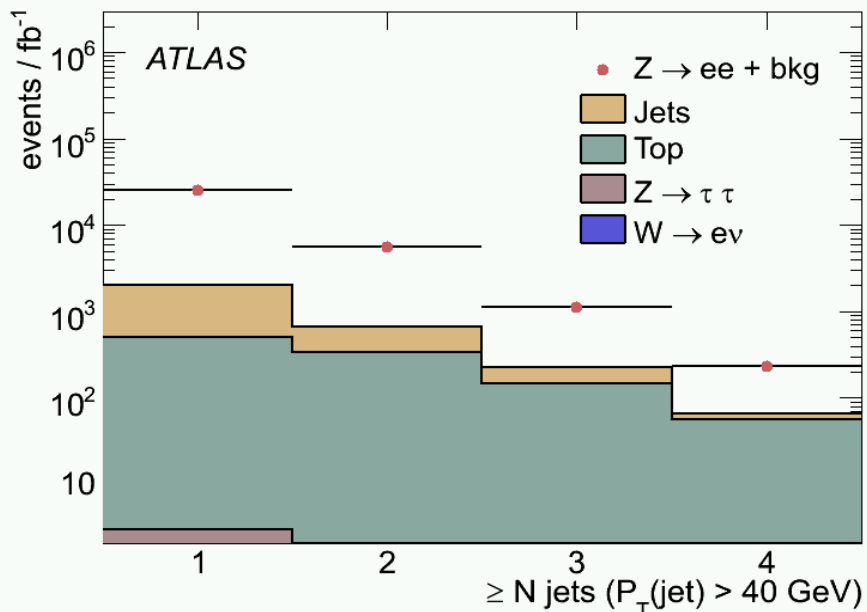
Process	$Z \rightarrow ll+ \geq 1\text{jet}$		$Z \rightarrow ll+ \geq 2\text{jets}$		$Z \rightarrow ll+ \geq 3\text{jets}$	
	$\sigma$ (fb)	fraction (%)	$\sigma$ (fb)	fraction (%)	$\sigma$ (fb)	fraction (%)
$Z \rightarrow e^+e^- + \text{jets analysis}$						
$Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$	$23520 \pm 145$	$91.9 \pm 0.8$	$4894 \pm 45$	$87.9 \pm 1.3$	$900 \pm 15$	$80.0 \pm 2.4$
QCD jets	$1545 \pm 89$	$6.0 \pm 0.4$	$336 \pm 42$	$6.0 \pm 0.8$	$78 \pm 20$	$6.9 \pm 1.8$
$t\bar{t}$	$496 \pm 28$	$1.9 \pm 0.1$	$333 \pm 23$	$6.0 \pm 0.4$	$146 \pm 15$	$13.0 \pm 1.4$
$W \rightarrow e\nu$	$(28 \pm 13)$	$(0.1 \pm 0.05)$	$(5.9 \pm 2.6)$	$(0.1 \pm 0.05)$	$(1.1 \pm 0.5)$	$(0.1 \pm 0.05)$
$Z \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$	$3.2 \pm 1.2$	$0.01 \pm 0.01$	$(0.67 \pm 0.25)$	$(0.01 \pm 0.01)$	$(0.1 \pm 0.05)$	$(0.01 \pm 0.01)$
$Z \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^- + \text{jets analysis}$						
$Z \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$	$59400 \pm 650$	$96.2 \pm 1.0$	$12600 \pm 300$	$90.1 \pm 1.9$	$2450 \pm 100$	$89.7 \pm 3.7$
QCD( $b\bar{b}$ )	$1230 \pm 550$	$2.0 \pm 0.9$	$600 \pm 300$	$4.3 \pm 2.2$	$0 \pm 110$	$0.0 \pm 4.0$
$t\bar{t}$	$1140 \pm 110$	$1.8 \pm 1.8$	$790 \pm 90$	$5.7 \pm 0.2$	$275 \pm 50$	$10.2 \pm 1.9$
$W \rightarrow \mu\nu$	$0 \pm 180$	$0.0 \pm 0.3$	$0 \pm 30$	$0.0 \pm 0.2$	$0 \pm 5$	$0.0 \pm 0.2$

Uncertainties: statistical

Z->ee reco Efficiency: ~50% for all jet multiplicities



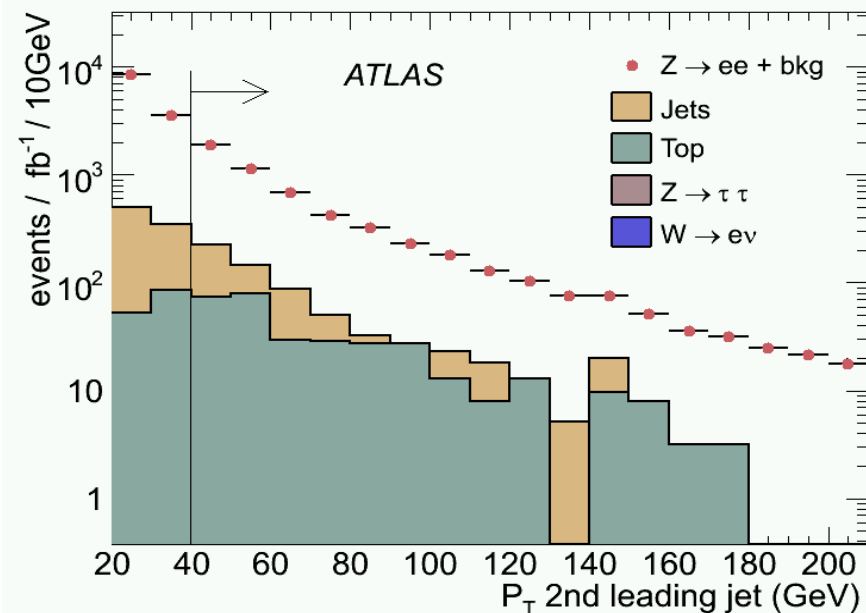
# Observables: Signal and background



ttbar jets (2 jets from hard interaction)  
harder than jets from Z+jets and QCD  
(radiation)

-> need to validate differential  
ttbar cross section against data  
in topologies without Z+jets/QCD.:

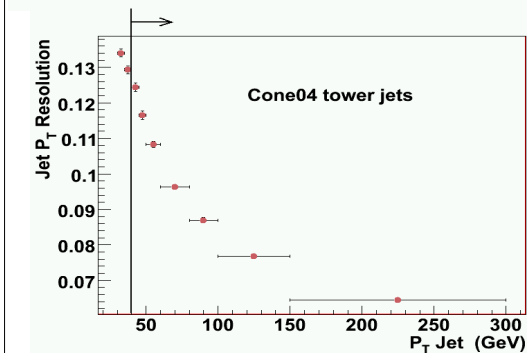
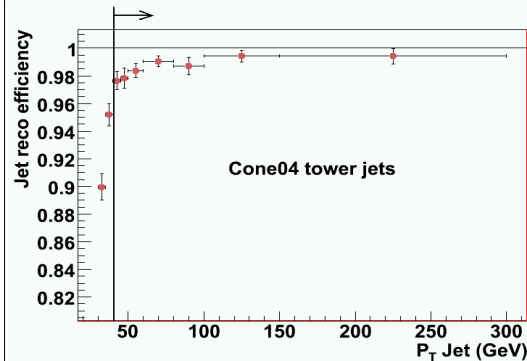
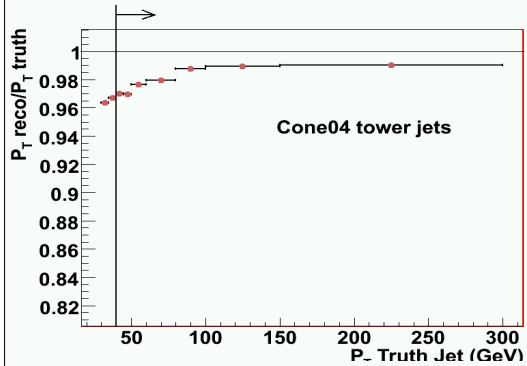
- e+mu+jets
- ll+jets + large ETmiss





# Unfolding of detector effects

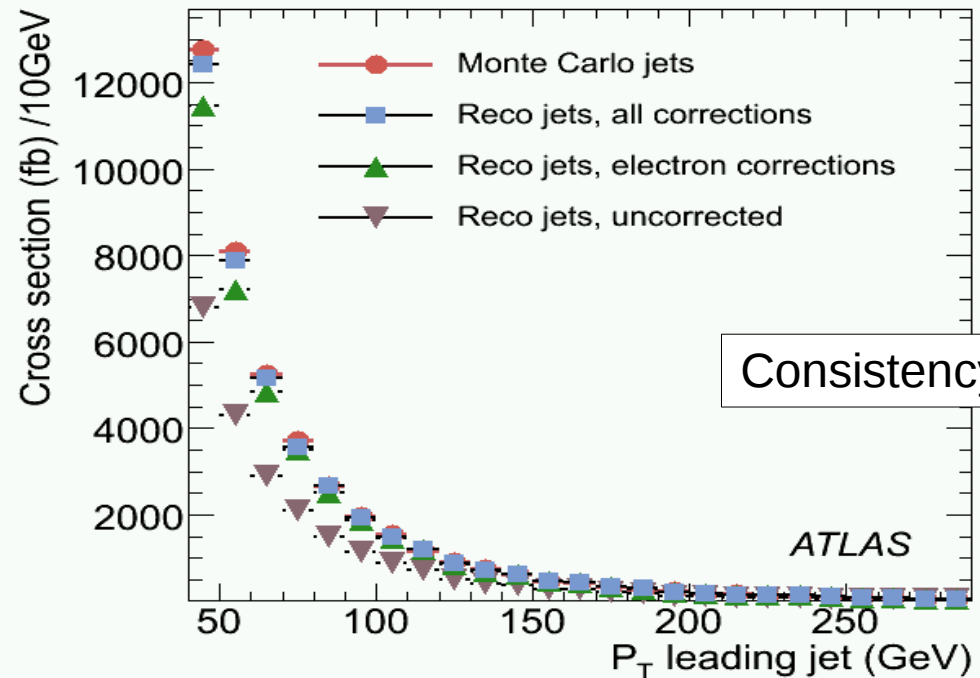
Jet distributions which enter the corrections:



## Unfolding corrections:

- Electron (muon) trigger and reco efficiency
- Electron (muon) resolution (small)
- Additional fiducial cuts
- **Jet reco efficiency:**
- **Jet energy scale: non-linearity at low-PT**
- **Jet resolution -> distorsion of PT shape**

Here:  
Assumed to factorize



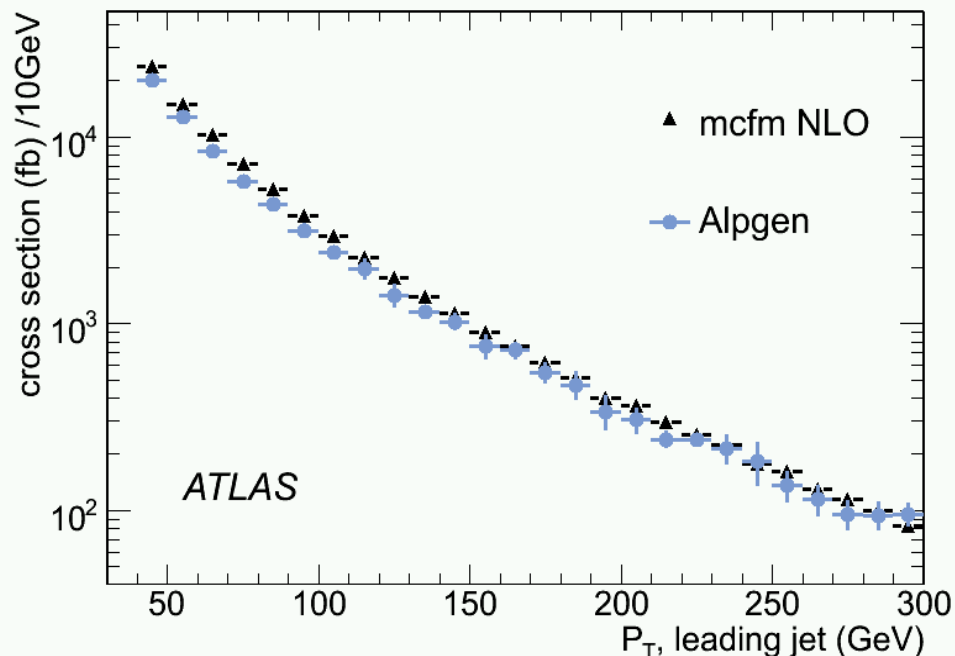
## Uncertainties:

- true PT distribution -> < 1.5% error on cross section
- true resolution: < 2-4 % error on the cross section

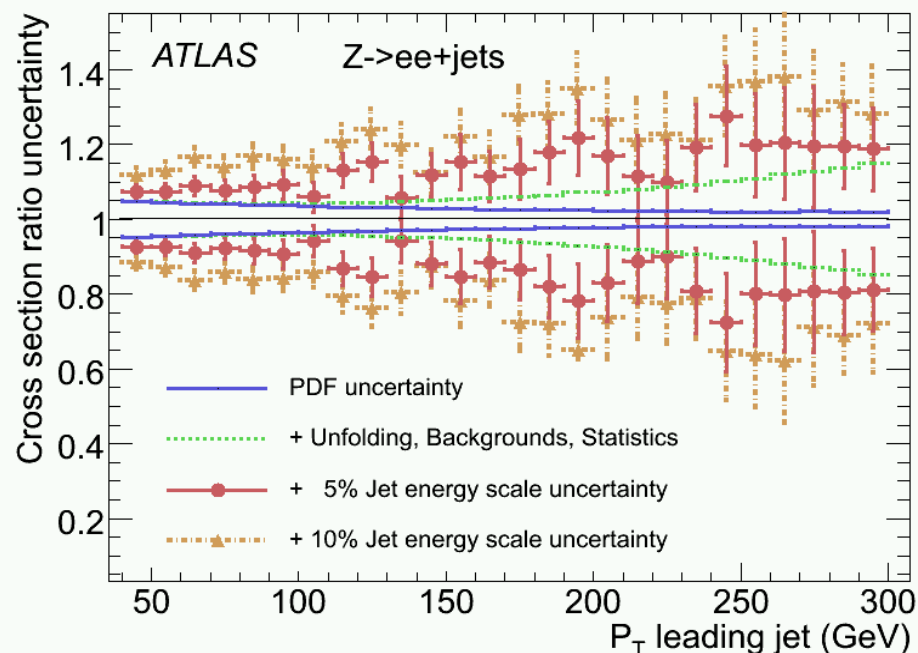
# Simulation of the measurement

## Differential cross section

Simulation of the measurement:



Uncertainty on the ratio data/theory



- MCFM:

- PDF uncertainties from full set of CTEQ6m error functions within MCFM <5%
- uncertainties from residual correction to the hadron level: %-level

- Reconstructed data:

Statistic and systematic errors scaled to uncertainty expected from data (1fb-1):

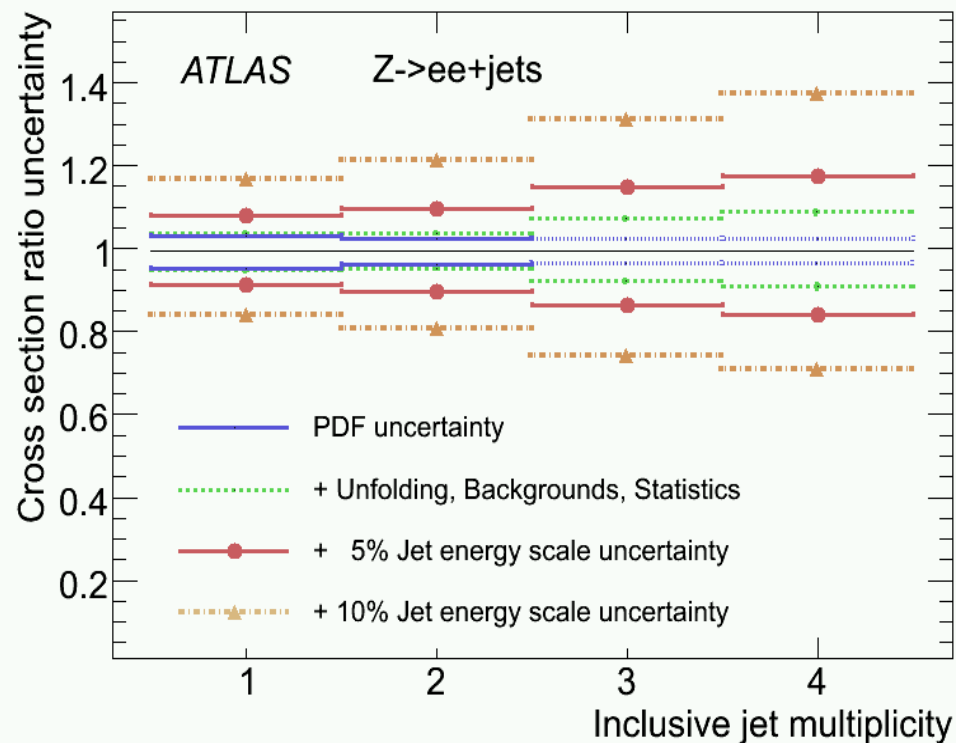
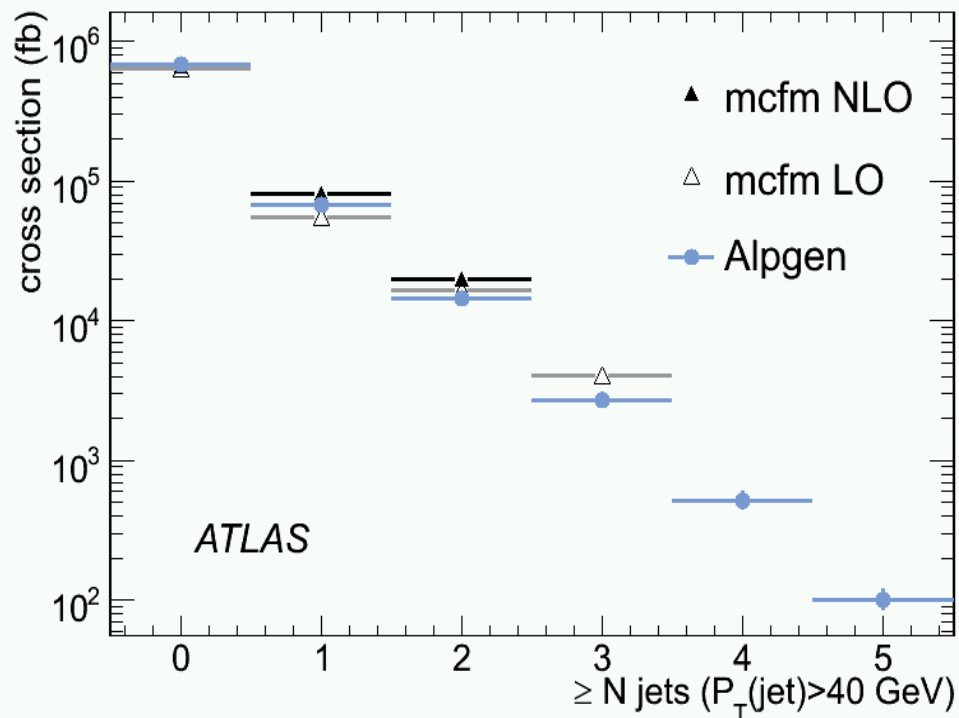
- **Statistics:** dominant for hard jets ( $P_T > 300\text{GeV}$ ) and large multiplicities
- Background subtraction, QCD: assume 20% uncertainty  $\rightarrow$  %-level uncertainty
- JES uncertainty  $\rightarrow$  unfolding: dominant for low/medium  $P_T$
- unknown jet- $P_T$ , resolution: %-level uncertainty

Electron reco efficiency (1%) and luminosity measurement: normalizing to inclusive XS



# Simulation of the measurement

## Inclusive jet multiplicity



An error of 5% (10%) on the JES scale uncertainty propagates into uncertainty of 8-15%(15-30%) on the cross section ratio measurement

Compare: Difference LO-NLO: 20-30%, Alpgen-Pythia: 10-60% !



# Conclusion

- Using fully-simulated MC for signal and background we have performed a feasibility-study for the measurement of the Z+jets inclusive and differential cross section at ATLAS with data corresponding to 1fb-1 and the comparison with NLO fixed-order calculations.
- Lepton triggering and **reconstruction in a high-multiplicity environment** tested and optimized
- **Unfolding techniques** from parton- to hadron level and from reco to hadron level have been developed and validated.
- Dominating **background** source are QCD for low-PT jets / low jet multiplicity and Ttbar for high jet-PT / large jet multiplicity.
- **Systematic and statistic uncertainties** have been extracted.  
Dominating systematic uncertainty arises from the JES uncertainty  
The expected total uncertainty is at the level of 8-15%(15-30%) for jet energy scale uncertainties of 5% (10%)
- Differences in the predictions from **Pythia, Alpgen** and theory (fixed-order prediction) are specified: Generators have to be validated and to be retuned with data