

Boosted vector-boson reconstruction and searches for diboson resonances in ATLAS

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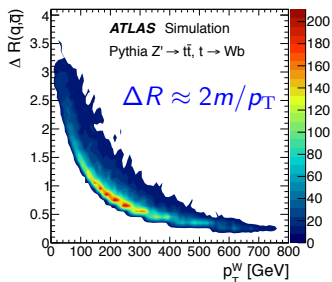
- W-bosons produced in Standard Model processes and decay of exotic particles (technicolor, extra dimensions ...)
- Hadronic decay modes have large branching ratio
- At high p_T , signal over bkg ratio generally increases
→ the W-boson decay products are boosted
→ reconstruction as one single large-radius jet



low- p_T



high- p_T



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Need to distinguish between large- R jets from boosted bosons and quarks/gluons

1 Grooming techniques

- Clean the large- R jet from soft gluon radiation and pile-up effects that diminish jet mass resolution
- Techniques: trimming, BDRS (mass-drop/filtering), pruning (see backup)

2 Substructure information

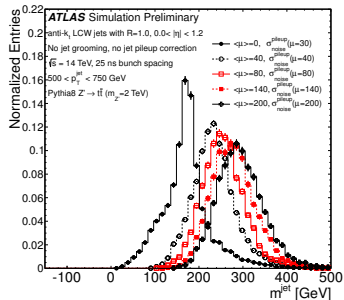
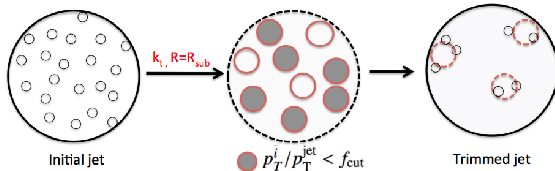
- Use hard substructure of jet (not present in e.g. gluon jet) to improve signal efficiency and background rejection



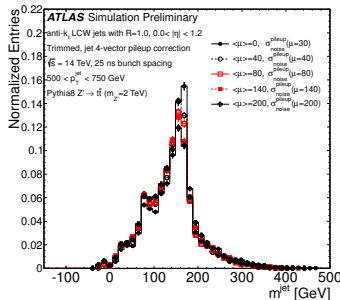
Grooming Techniques - Trimming

- Removes **soft** constituents from pile-up, ISR and multiple parton interaction
- Reclustering of constituents of large- R jet into small- R jets with size R_{sub}
- Remove subjet i if $p_T^i < f_{\text{cut}} \times p_T^{\text{jet}}$

arXiv:0912.1342

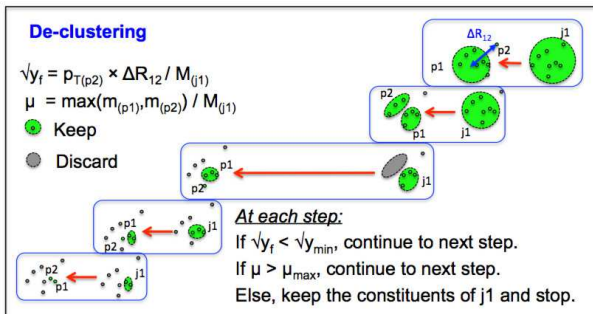


trimming \rightarrow

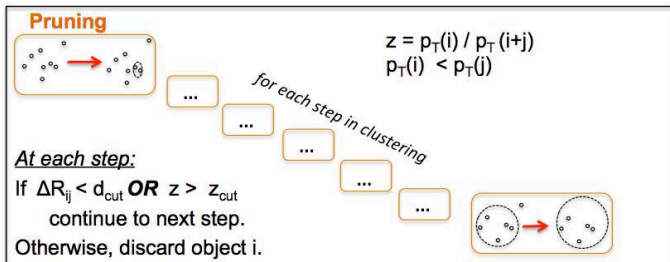


ATLAS public substructure plots

- Also referred to as BDRS algorithm ([arXiv:0802.2470](https://arxiv.org/abs/0802.2470))
- **Splitting** (based on substructure of jet)
 - Large- R jets are de-clustered following the clustering history of the jets
 - Require symmetric splitting $\sqrt{y_f} = \frac{\min(p_{T1}, p_{T2})}{m_{12}} \times \Delta R_{12}$
 - No mass drop-criterion is used in ATLAS ($\mu = 100\%$)
 - Slightly modified version of BDRS using a fixed reclustering distance parameter
- **Filtering** (remove soft radiation)
 - Keep only the three highest p_T subjets



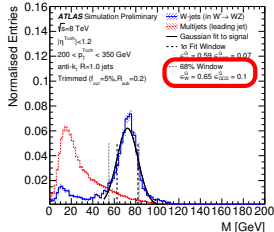
- arXiv:0912.0033
- Constituents of large- R jet are reclustered with either C/A or k_t algorithm
- In each pairwise clustering step, the softer constituent is removed if:
 - wide-angled: $R_{12} > R_{\text{cut}} \cdot 2m/p_T$ or
 - soft: $\frac{\min(p_{T,1}, p_{T,2})}{p_{T,1} + p_{T,2}} < Z_{\text{cut}}$



1 Optimization based on the uncalibrated jet mass

- Consider different jet algorithm, grooming techniques and configurations (approx. 500 different combinations)
- Determine smallest mass window containing 68% of the signal
- Sort algorithms based on **bkg efficiency** ϵ_{QCD}^G in **68% signal mass window**

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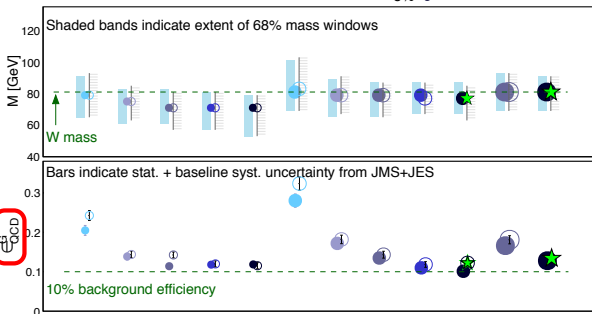


Trimmed jets, R=1.0
 $350 < p_T^{\text{Truth}} < 500$ GeV
 $|q_T^{\text{Truth}}| < 1.2$

C/A
 anti-k_t

0.1
 0.2
 0.3

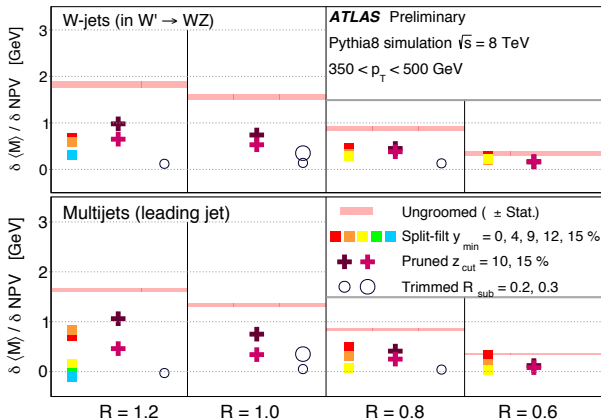
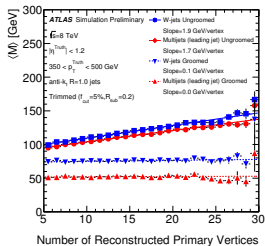
1% ● **ATLAS Preliminary**
 2% ● Pythia8 simulation
 4% ● $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV
 5% ●



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- Remove groomers with large pile-up dependence

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2 Combination of jet mass and substructure variables

- Improve bkg. rejection by combining mass window cut with one-sided cut on **tagging variable**
- Reduce to four different groomers and three tagging variables based on bkg eff.
 $\epsilon_{QCD}^{G\&T}$ at $\epsilon_W^{G\&T} = 50\%$

Considered 22 substructure variables:

- | | | |
|---|--|---|
| • Angularity a_3 | • PlanarFlow P | • ThrustMin, ThrustMaj
(T_{\min} , T_{\max}) |
| • Aplanarity A | • $\sqrt{d_{12}}$ | • Volatility |
| • Dipolarity D | • Sphericity S | • $Z_{\text{cut},12}$ |
| • $C_2^{(\beta=1)}$, $C_2^{(\beta=2)}$ | • Softdrop | • μ_{12} |
| • $D_2^{(\beta=1)}$, $D_2^{(\beta=2)}$ | • τ_{21} , τ_{12} | • $\sqrt{y_{12}}$ |
| • FoxWolfram20 R_2^{FW} | • τ_2^{wta} , τ_{21}^{wta} | |

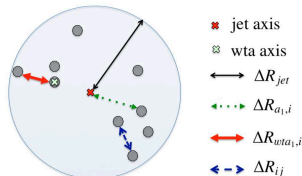
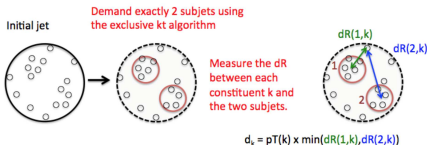


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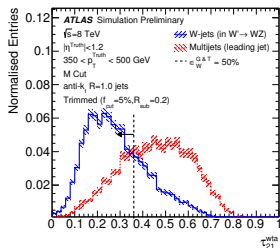
- Describes how likely it is that a jet is composed out of N subjets:

$$\tau_N = \frac{\sum_k p_{T,k} (\min(\Delta R_{1,k}, R_{2,k}, \dots, R_{N,k}))^\beta}{\sum_k p_{T,k} (R_0)^\beta}$$

- Powerful discrimination using the ratio: τ_2/τ_1

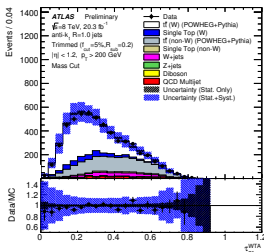


Simulation



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$t\bar{t} \rightarrow lep + jets$ events in data



Energy Correlation C_2 and D_2 <http://arxiv.org/abs/1305.0007>

$$C_2^\beta = \frac{E_{CF1}(\beta)}{E_{CF2}(\beta)} \times \frac{E_{CF3}(\beta)}{E_{CF2}(\beta)}, \quad D_2^\beta = \frac{E_{CF1}^3(\beta)}{E_{CF2}^3(\beta)} \times E_{CF3}(\beta)$$

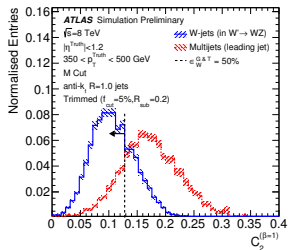
N-point energy correlation function

$$E_{CF1}(\beta) = \sum_{i \in J} p_{T_i}, \quad E_{CF2}(\beta) = \sum_{i < j \in J} p_{T_i} p_{T_j} (\Delta R_{ij})^\beta,$$

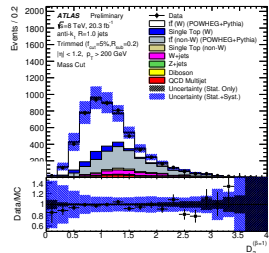
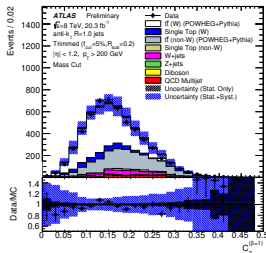
$$E_{CF3}(\beta) = \sum_{i < j < k \in J} p_{T_i} p_{T_j} p_{T_k} (\Delta R_{ij} \Delta R_{ik} \Delta R_{jk})^\beta,$$

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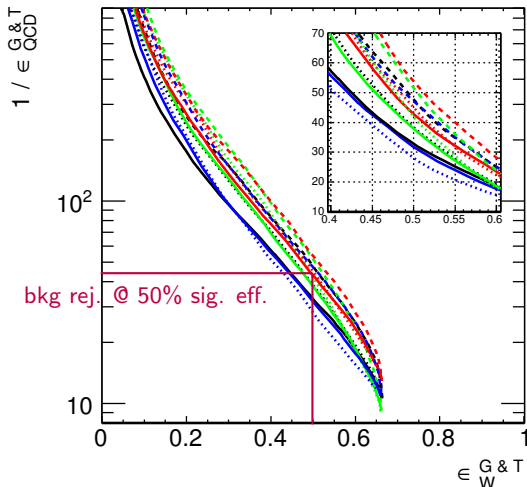


$t\bar{t} \rightarrow \text{lep} + \text{jets}$ events in data



- Scan through substructure distributions and determine signal vs. bkg. efficiency curves
- Determine bkg. rejection at 50% signal efficiency

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ATLAS Simulation Preliminary
 $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV Jet 4-momentum not calibrated
 $|\eta^{\text{Truth}}| < 1.2$, $350 < p_T^{\text{Truth}} < 500$ GeV, M Cut

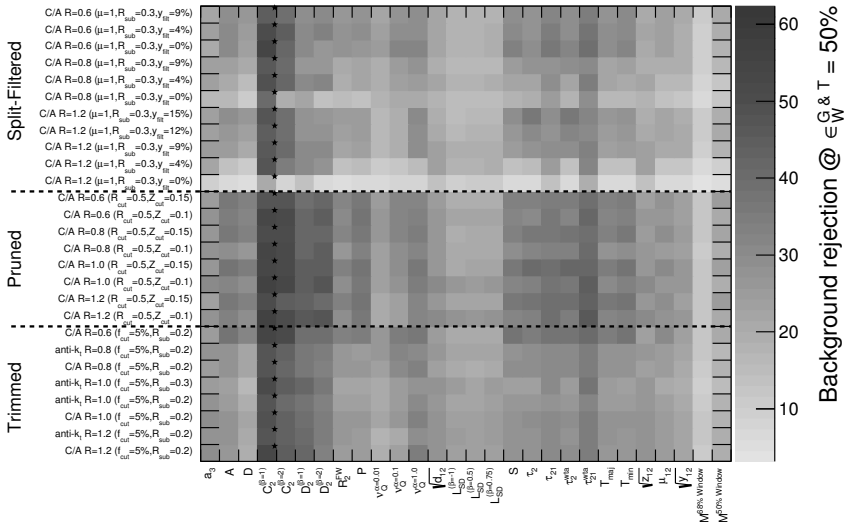
- $C_2^{(\beta=1)}$ with anti- k_t $R=1.0$ jets
- $D_2^{(\beta=1)}$ Trimmed ($f_{\text{cut}}=5\%$, $R_{\text{sub}}=0.2$)
- τ_{21}^{wta}
- $C_2^{(\beta=1)}$ with anti- k_t $R=1.0$ jets
- $D_2^{(\beta=1)}$ Trimmed ($f_{\text{cut}}=5\%$, $R_{\text{sub}}=0.3$)
- τ_{21}^{wta}
- $C_2^{(\beta=1)}$ with C/A $R=1.0$ jets
- $D_2^{(\beta=1)}$ Pruned ($R_{\text{cut}}=0.5$, $Z_{\text{cut}}=0.15$)
- τ_{21}^{wta}
- $C_2^{(\beta=1)}$ with C/A $R=1.2$ jets
- $D_2^{(\beta=1)}$ Split-Filtered ($\mu=1$, $R_{\text{sub}}=0.3$, $y_{\text{filt}}=15\%$)
- τ_{21}^{wta}

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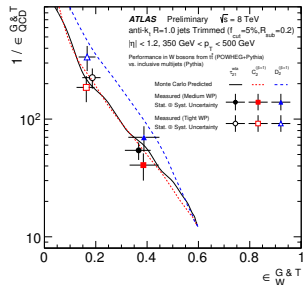
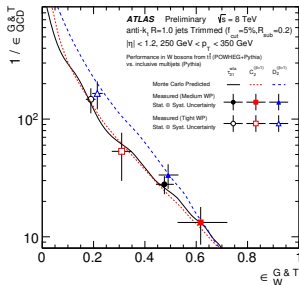
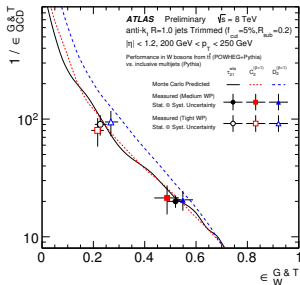
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★ = Optimal substructure variable for jet algorithm



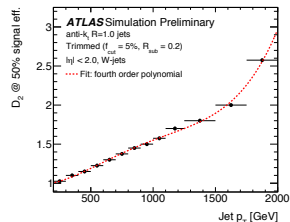
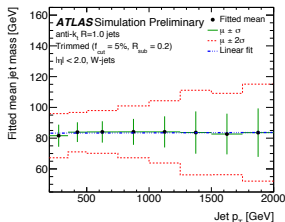
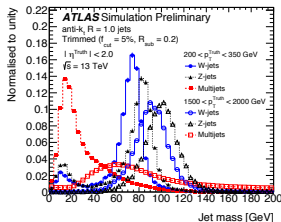
- Based on the pile-up dependence and bkg. rejection anti- k_t $R = 1.0$ trimmed jets with $R_{\text{sub}} = 0.2$ and $f_{\text{cut}} = 5\%$ were chosen for further studies
- **Calibrations** and **systematic uncertainties** (in-situ) were derived
- Two **working points** based on mass + substructure: medium (50%) and tight (25%)
- Signal ($t\bar{t}$ events) and multijet bkg. efficiencies measured in **data**
- Signal efficiency measured using template fits to the jet mass distribution



- Differences between MC and data expected:
 - data measurement from $t\bar{t}$ topology, working points optimized with W' sample
 - different MC generators give different results (Pythia+Powheg vs. MC@NLO)

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- Based on the results obtained in Run-1
- Started with reduced set of grooming algorithms and substructure variables
- **Run 2 tagger:** anti- k_t trimmed jets with $R_{\text{sub}} = 0.2$, $f_{\text{cut}} = 5\% + \text{mass} + D_2$

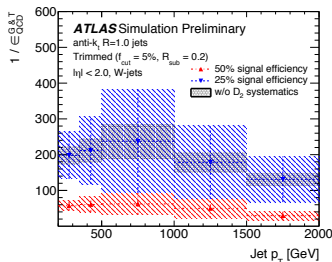
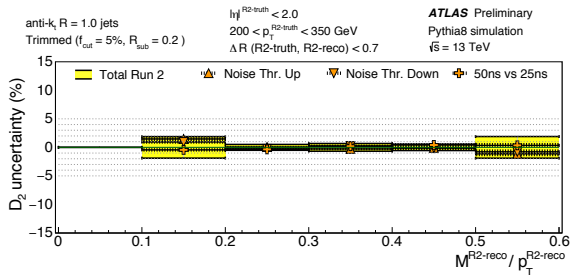


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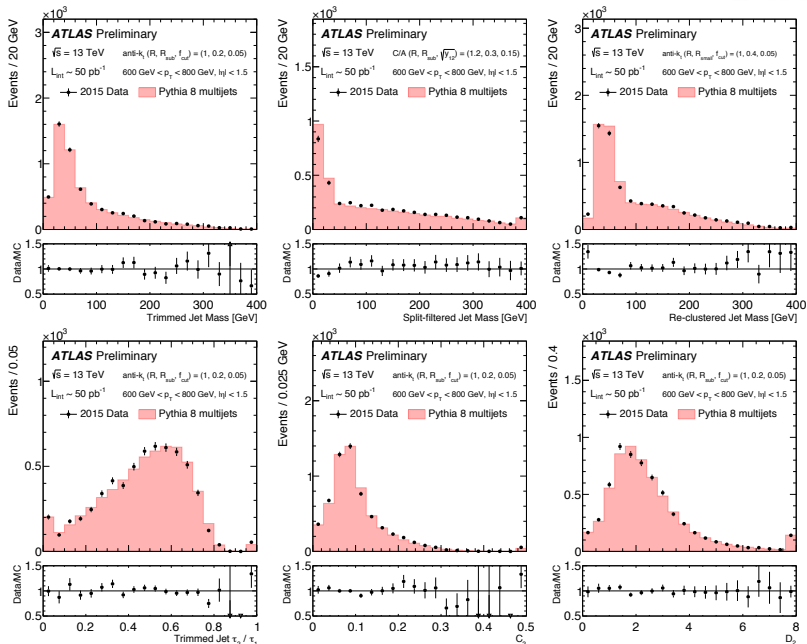
- Strong dependence of jet mass with jet p_T for trimming algorithm
→ mass calibration
- Define 50% and 25% signal efficiency working points using smooth parametrizations of the jet mass and D_2
- 15 GeV mass window around mean W/Z -mass and p_T dependent D_2 cut



- Derived systematic uncertainties for JES, JMS and D_2 scale
- (Jet mass and energy are calibrated)
- Baseline uncertainties are taken from Run-1: track-jet double-ratio method
- Additional uncertainties are added based on our best knowledge of the detector conditions for Run 2
 - Noise threshold variations
 - 50 vs. 25 ns bunch spacing
- Above 1 TeV, lack of jets for Run 1 \rightarrow different physics lists tested

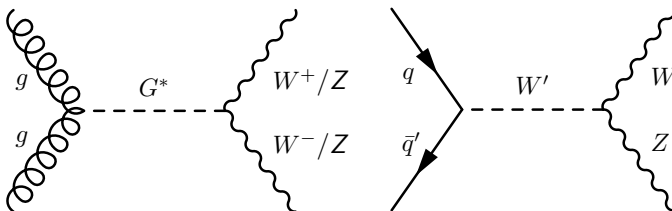


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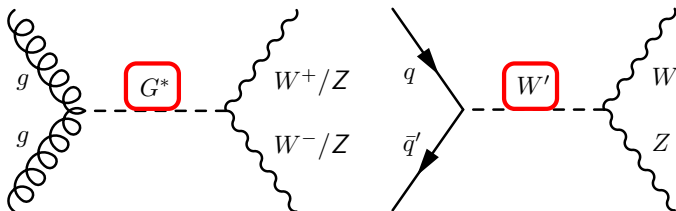


**Using diboson resonance
searches as an example for
boosted boson tagging**

- Extensions of the Standard Model predict the existence of new particles decaying into vector-boson pairs



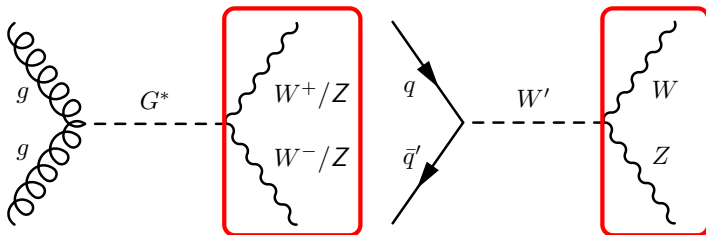
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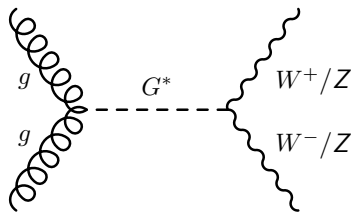
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- 2 How can we detect these new resonances?
 - For high-mass resonances ($m_X > 1000$ GeV), the W/Z -bosons are highly boosted \rightarrow need special reconstruction techniques



Two **benchmark** models were chosen to search for **narrow** diboson resonances

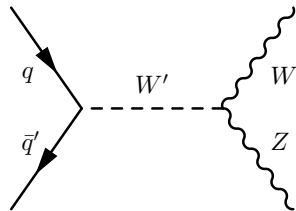
1 Bulk Randall-Sundrum model

- Model of warped extra dimensions
- Spin-2 Kaluza-Klein graviton (G^*)
- Gluon-gluon production
- Decays into WW, ZZ
- $m_{G^*} = 1$ TeV:
 - $\text{BR}(G^* \rightarrow WW) \approx 20\%$
 - $\text{BR}(G^* \rightarrow ZZ) \approx 10\%$



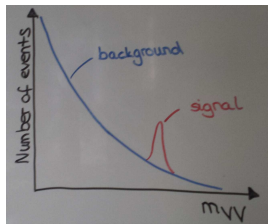
2 Extended gauge model (EGM)

- Sequential Standard Model (modified WZ couplings)
- Spin-1 gauge boson (W')
- $q\bar{q}$ production
- Decays into WZ
- $m_{W'} = 1$ TeV:
 - $\text{BR}(W' \rightarrow WZ) \approx 1.3\%$



How to search for diboson resonances

- Observable:
invariant mass of diboson system m_{VV}
- Here: search for narrow resonance on top of smoothly falling background distribution



Decay modes:

- **Semi-leptonic final state**

- Analysis: $VV \rightarrow l\nu qq, llqq$

- **Full-hadronic final state:**

- Large branching ratio:

$$\text{BR}(W \rightarrow qq) \approx 3 \times \sum_{\ell=e,\mu} \text{BR}(W \rightarrow l\nu)$$

$$\text{BR}(Z \rightarrow qq) \approx 10 \times \sum_{\ell=e,\mu} \text{BR}(Z \rightarrow ll)$$

- No MET
- large dijet background

- **Full-leptonic final state**

- Clean signature and low background
- Small branching ratio
- Analysis: $VV \rightarrow l\nu ll$



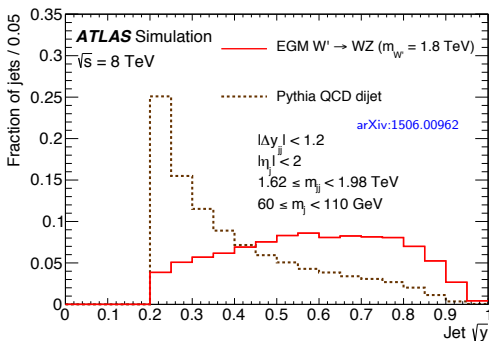
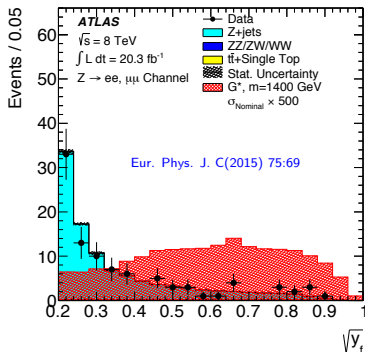
*used for all boosted diboson resonance searches in ATLAS, semi-leptonic and all-hadronic

1 Jet reconstruction:

C/A $R = 1.2$ jets groomed with the BDRS algorithm, $\sqrt{y_{\text{filt}}} = 0.2$

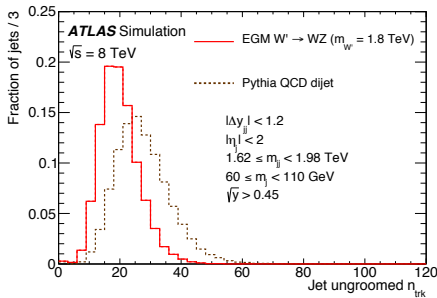
2 Boson tagging:

- the large- R jet mass m_J (mass window around boson)
- y_f as tagging variable: $\sqrt{y_f} = \frac{\min(p_{T1}, p_{T2})}{m_{12}} \times \Delta R_{12}$, $\sqrt{y_f} > 0.45$
QCD dijet events have unbalanced subjet momenta compared to signal jets due to soft gluon radiation



Boson tagging:

- Jet mass (26 GeV window around m_V)
- $\sqrt{y_f} > 0.45$
- Number of **charged-particle tracks associated to the ungroomed jet**:
 - $n_{\text{trk}} < 30$: expect QCD jet to be composed of more hadrons
 - Efficiency is measured in data

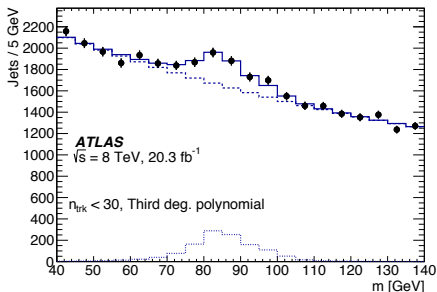
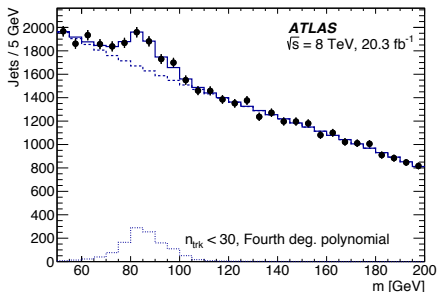


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Event Selection

- Compared to semileptonic analysis only boosted regime is considered
- Reject events with electron or muon candidate or $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 350 \text{ GeV}$ (orthogonal to other diboson resonance searches)
- **Overlap between WW , WZ , ZZ selection due to chosen mass window**
- Rapidity difference: $|y_1 - y_2| < 1.2$
- p_T asymmetry: $|(\mathbf{p}_{T_1} - \mathbf{p}_{T_2})| / (\mathbf{p}_{T_1} + \mathbf{p}_{T_2}) < 0.15$
- $m_{JJ} > 1.05 \text{ TeV}$: trigger plateau of large- R jet trigger





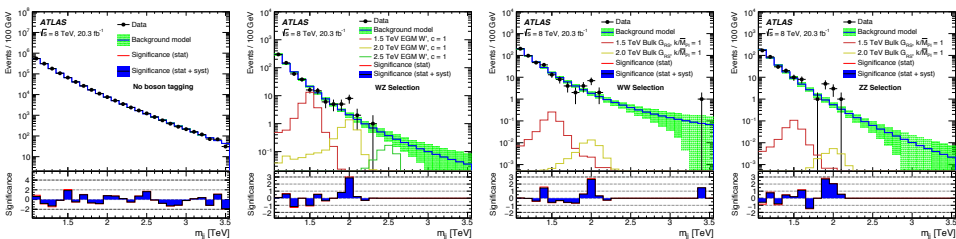
- Plots show the fit to the mass spectrum in data after $n_{\text{trk}} < 30$ cut
- Efficiency of track-multiplicity cut measured in V+jets events in data
- V+jets contribution evaluated in data with a fit over the mass range shown, using a polynomial function to describe the bkg and a pair of crystal-ball functions for the W and Z contributions



- Background invariant dijet mass spectrum assumed to be smoothly falling distribution, characterized by:

$$\frac{dn}{dx} = p_1(1-x)^{p_2-\xi} p_3 x^{p_3}, \quad x = m_{jj}/\sqrt{s}$$

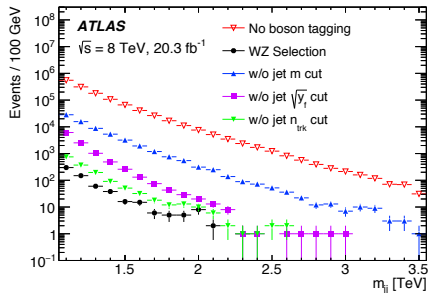
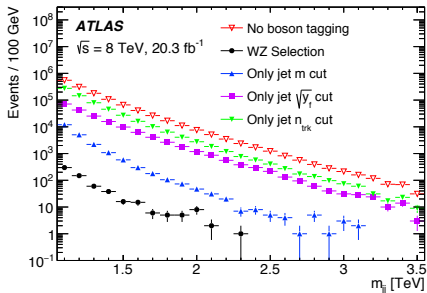
- Maximum-likelihood fit performed to data to estimate background



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- Good agreement between data and background model over full dijet mass range except for region around $m_{jj} = 2$ TeV
- Frequentist approach used to interpret data:
 - Local significance: $WZ : 3.4\sigma$, $WW : 2.6\sigma$, $ZZ : 2.9\sigma$
 - Global significance: $WZ : 2.5\sigma$

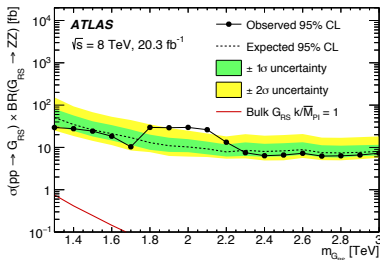
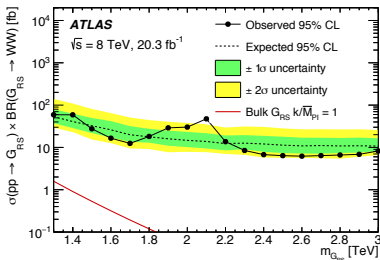
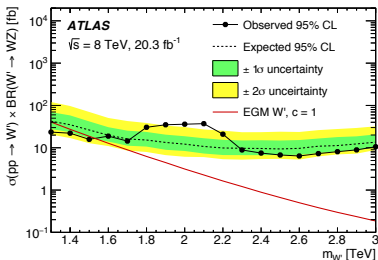




- Left: Comparison of no tagging criterion and only one boson tagging requirement applied to each jet
- Right: The effect of applying all tagging requirements except one is displayed.



- Exclude $1300 < M(W')$ < 1500 GeV
- Cross-section times branching ratio for excited graviton production with chosen model parameters too low to be excluded arXiv:1506.00962



Event selection

Z → ll

- 2 isolated leptons with same flavor, m_{ll} compatible with Z-boson mass
- Improved isolation requirement for boosted dilepton system ($p_T^Z > 800$ GeV)

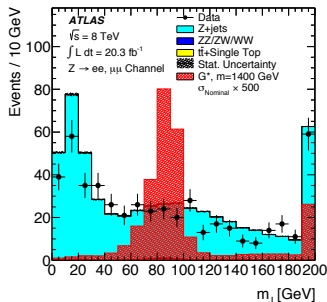
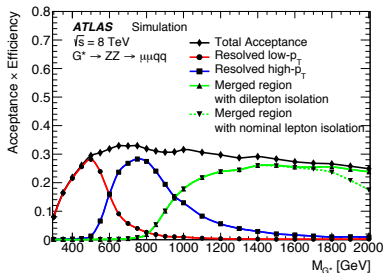
V → qq

- Low- p_T resolved region
 - High- p_T resolved region
- } two small- R jets
- Merged-region (MR) → one large- R C/A jet
- $p_T^{ll} > 400$ GeV, $p_T^J > 400$ GeV

Merged region:

- Using substructure to improve sensitivity (optimized for longitudinally polarized vector-bosons):
 $70 < m_J < 110$ GeV, $\sqrt{y_f} > 0.45$

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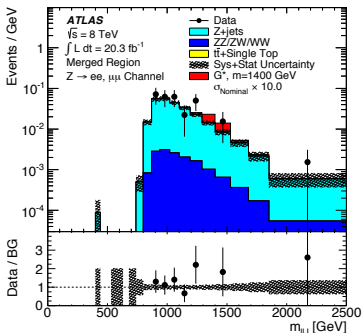


Dominating background: Z+jets

- Data driven normalization and shape correction for $m_{\ell\ell J}$ in control regions
- Control regions: $m_J < 70$ GeV or $m_J > 110$ GeV

Dominating systematic uncertainties:

- Normalization and shape uncertainties from Z+jets background: 11% – 47%

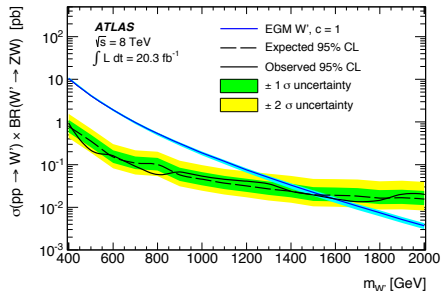
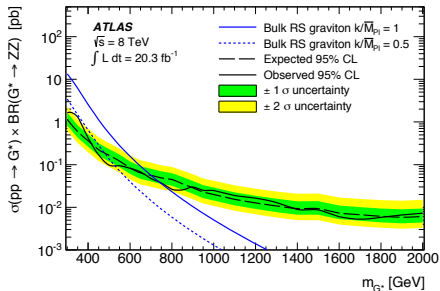


- No significant deviations from the Standard Model are observed
- \rightarrow Set 95% CL upper limits on the cross-section \times BR

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- Exclude $M(G^*) < 740$ GeV and $M(W') < 1590$ GeV
- The MR is the most powerful search region for signal masses above 850 GeV



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Event selection

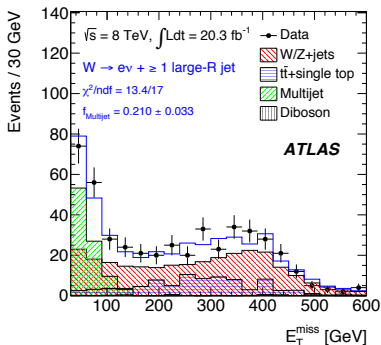
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$W \rightarrow l\nu$

- Exactly one electron or muon with $p_T > 25$ GeV
- $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 30$ GeV
- Reject events with b -tagged small- R jets

$V \rightarrow qq$

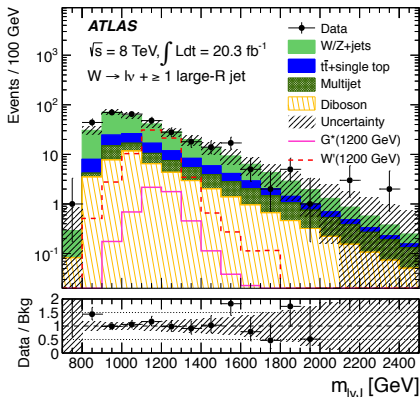
- Similar to $ZV \rightarrow llqq$ selection: three regions
- Events are assigned exclusively to one region only
- Merged region:**
 - $p_T^{\ell\nu} > 400$ GeV
 - $65 < m_J < 105$ GeV, $\sqrt{y_f} > 0.45$
 - $\Delta\Phi(J, E_T^{\text{miss}}) > 1$



Background estimation:

- W/Z +jets and multijet normalization determined from control regions in data (inverted m_J requirement) by fitting the E_T^{miss} distribution
- Multijet bkg shape from looser identification criterion data sample





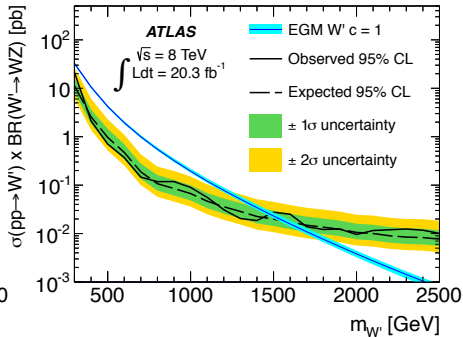
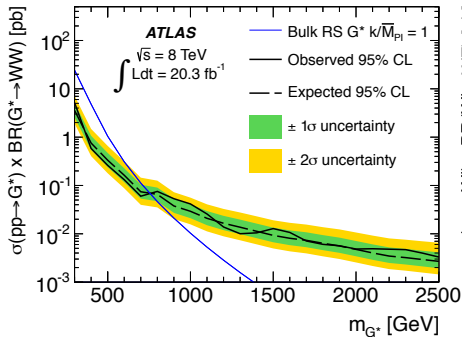
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Sample	LRR	HRR	MR
W/Z + jets	104800 ± 1600	415 ± 10	180 ± 20
$t\bar{t}$ + single top	37700 ± 1600	271 ± 13	42 ± 7
Multijet	13500 ± 500	84 ± 9	29.3 ± 2.9
Diboson	5500 ± 270	96 ± 6	43 ± 7
Total	161500 ± 2300	870 ± 40	295 ± 22
Data	157837	801	323
G^* signal	7000 ± 500	36 ± 6	5.5 ± 2.3
W' signal	6800 ± 600	318 ± 21	70 ± 4

- No significant deviations from the Standard Model are observed in $m_{\ell\nu J}$ spectrum \rightarrow 95% CL upper limits on cross-section times BR
- Maximum likelihood fits to $m_{\ell\nu J}$ distribution taking systematic uncertainties into accounts as nuisance parameters
- Merged region: signal pole masses between 800–2000 GeV



- Exclude $M(G^*) < 760$ GeV and $M(W') < 1490$ GeV
- $\sigma(pp \rightarrow W') \times \text{BR}(W' \rightarrow WZ)$ of 9.6 fb excluded for W' masses around 2 TeV



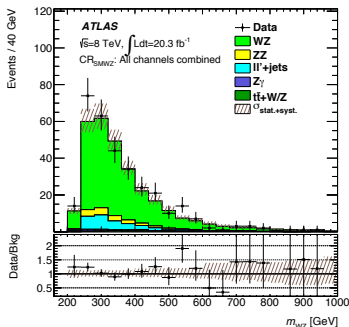
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Event selection

- Three charged leptons with $p_T > 25$ GeV
- $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 25$ GeV
- $|m_{\ell+\ell^-} - m_Z| < 20$ GeV
- $\Delta y(W, Z) < 1.5$

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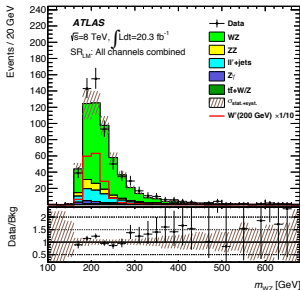
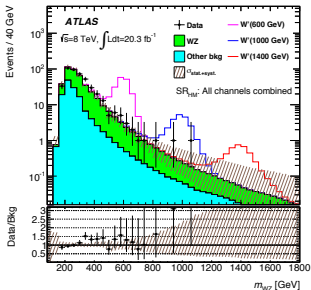
- Two regions for high/low W' masses:
 - $\Delta\Phi(\ell, E_T^{\text{miss}}) < 1.5$
(ℓ : lepton from W -decay)
 - $\Delta\Phi(\ell, E_T^{\text{miss}}) > 1.5$



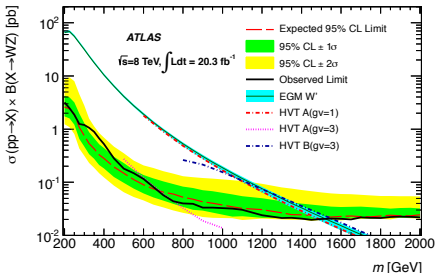
Background estimation:

- Dominant bkg: WZ , ZZ , $t\bar{t} + W/Z$
- WZ control region to check modelling of the bkg in MC (reversed Δy cut and removed $\Delta\Phi$ criteria)
- Mis-reconstruction rate of leptons is determined with data driven methods





- No deviation from SM prediction observed in invariant mass spectrum
- Exclude $M(W') < 1520$ GeV and in addition limits are set on HVT models



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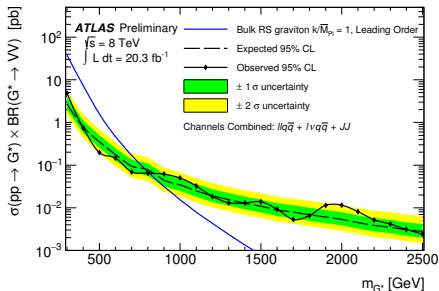
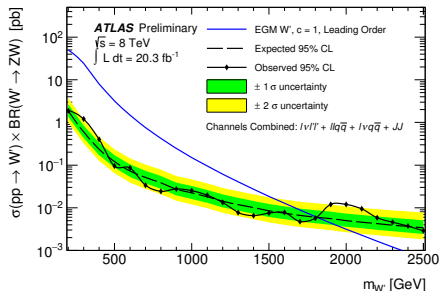
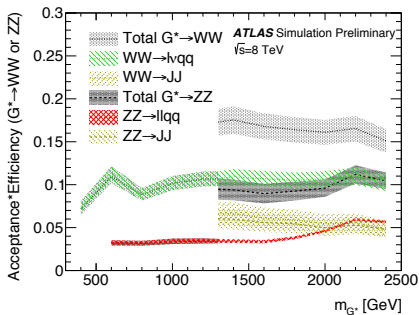
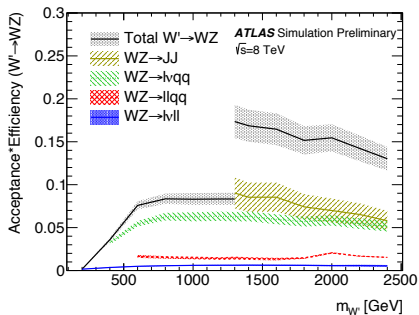


- W/Z -boson tagging studied for Run 1 and for early Run 2 analysis using 13 TeV simulation
- Different grooming and tagging techniques were compared and best performing one chosen
- The diboson final state provides a direct key to new physics beyond the SM
- Sensitivity in high mass region can be increased using tagging techniques
- Several searches have been performed with the full 2012 dataset in the semi-leptonic and full-hadronic decay channel using boosted techniques
- Combination of Run 1 diboson resonance searches has been just published
- Small excess around 2 TeV observed in the $VV \rightarrow JJ$ analysis

Stay tuned for $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV data!!!

- Approx. 5 fb^{-1} of 13 TeV data will tell us if this is a statistical fluctuation or something "real"





Backup



Boosted boson tagging:

- Identification of boosted, hadronically decaying W bosons and comparison with ATLAS data taken at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV, to be published soon, [ATL-PERF-2015-03](#)
- Identification of Boosted, Hadronically-Decaying W and Z Bosons in $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV Monte Carlo Simulations for ATLAS [ATL-PHYS-PUB-2015-033](#)
- Identifying the type of a Hadronically Decaying W or Z Boson with the ATLAS Detector, to be published soon, [ATL-PERF-2015-02](#)

Diboson Analysis with boosted vector-boson tagging

- 1 $ZW/ZZ \rightarrow llq\bar{q}$ [Eur. Phys. J. C \(2015\) 75:69](#)
- 2 $WZ/WW \rightarrow lvq\bar{q}$ [Eur. Phys. J. C \(2015\) 75:209](#)
- 3 $WW/WZ/ZZ \rightarrow qq\bar{q}\bar{q}$ (submitted to JHEP) [arXiv:1506.00962](#)
- 4 $WZ \rightarrow lvll$ [Phys. Lett. B \(2014\) 737](#)

Further diboson resonance searches in ATLAS

- $WH/ZH \rightarrow lvbb, llbb, \nu\nu bb$ [Eur. Phys. J. C \(2015\) 75: 263](#)
(no substructure information used in Run-1)
- $HH \rightarrow bbbb$ (submitted to EPJC) [arXiv:1506.00285](#)
resolved and boosted regime using trimmed jets
- $HH \rightarrow \gamma\gamma b\bar{b}$ [Phys. Rev. Lett. 144, 081802](#)



