

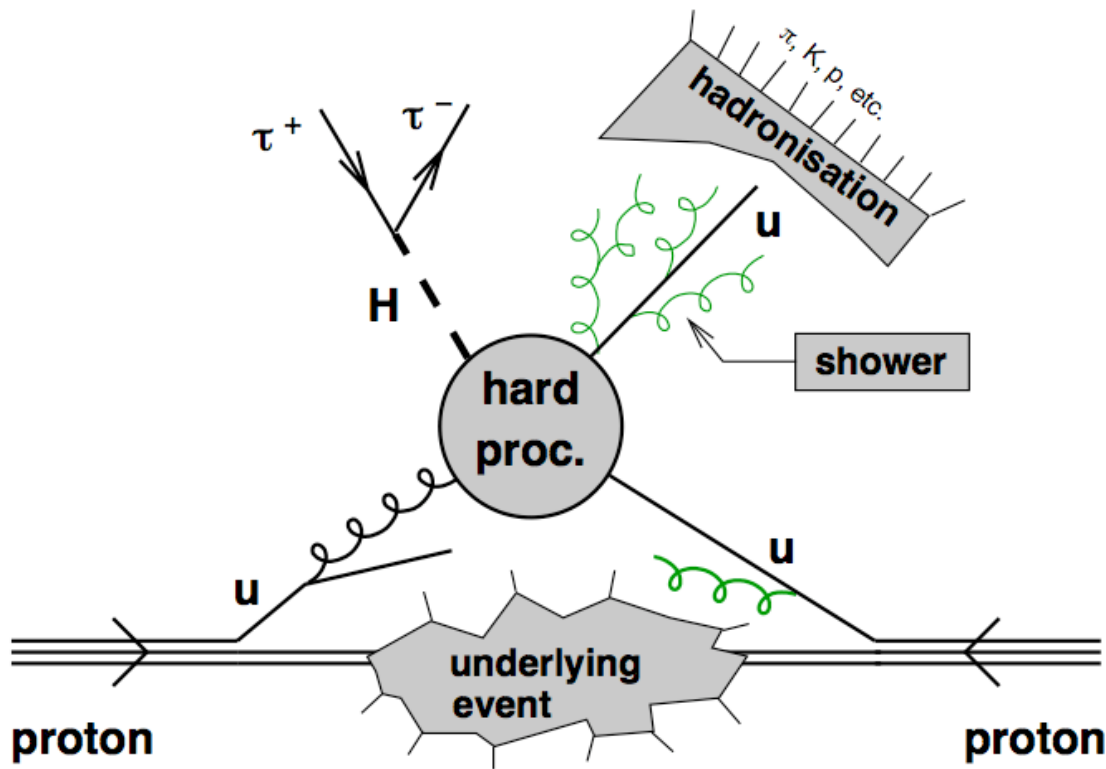
# QCD for the LHC

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## Part 3

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# Ingredients and tools



► PDFs

► Hard scattering

► Final state tools

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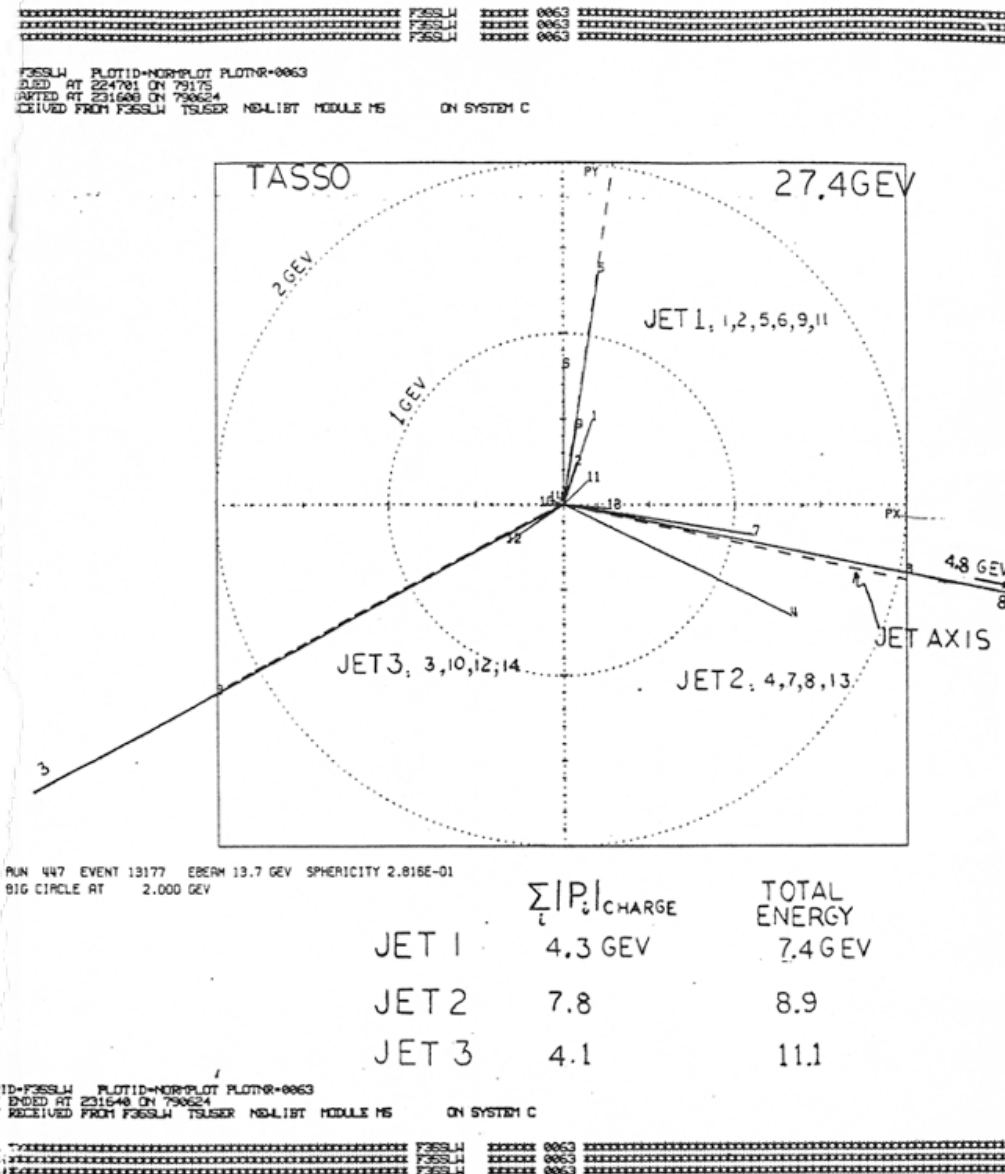
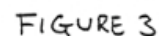


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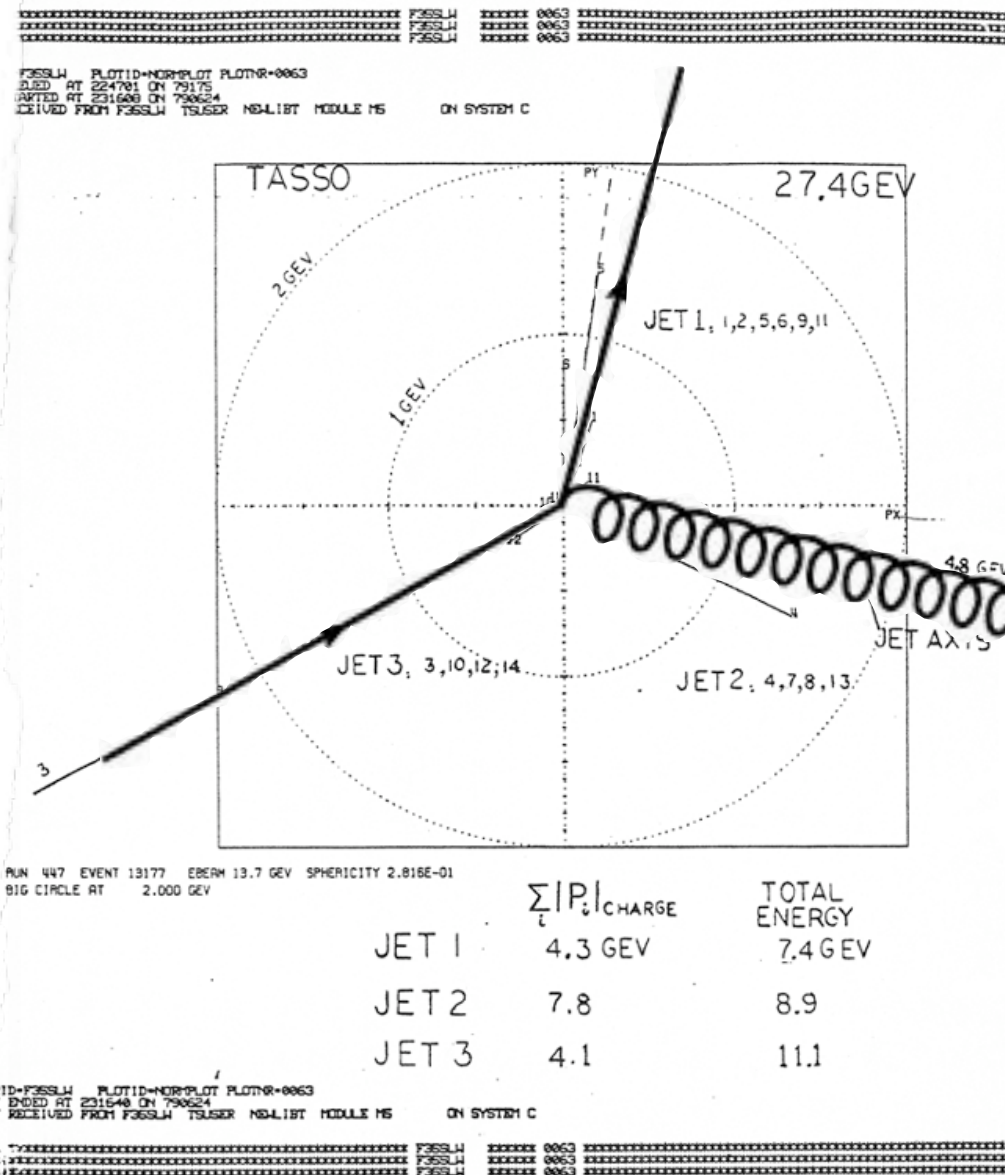


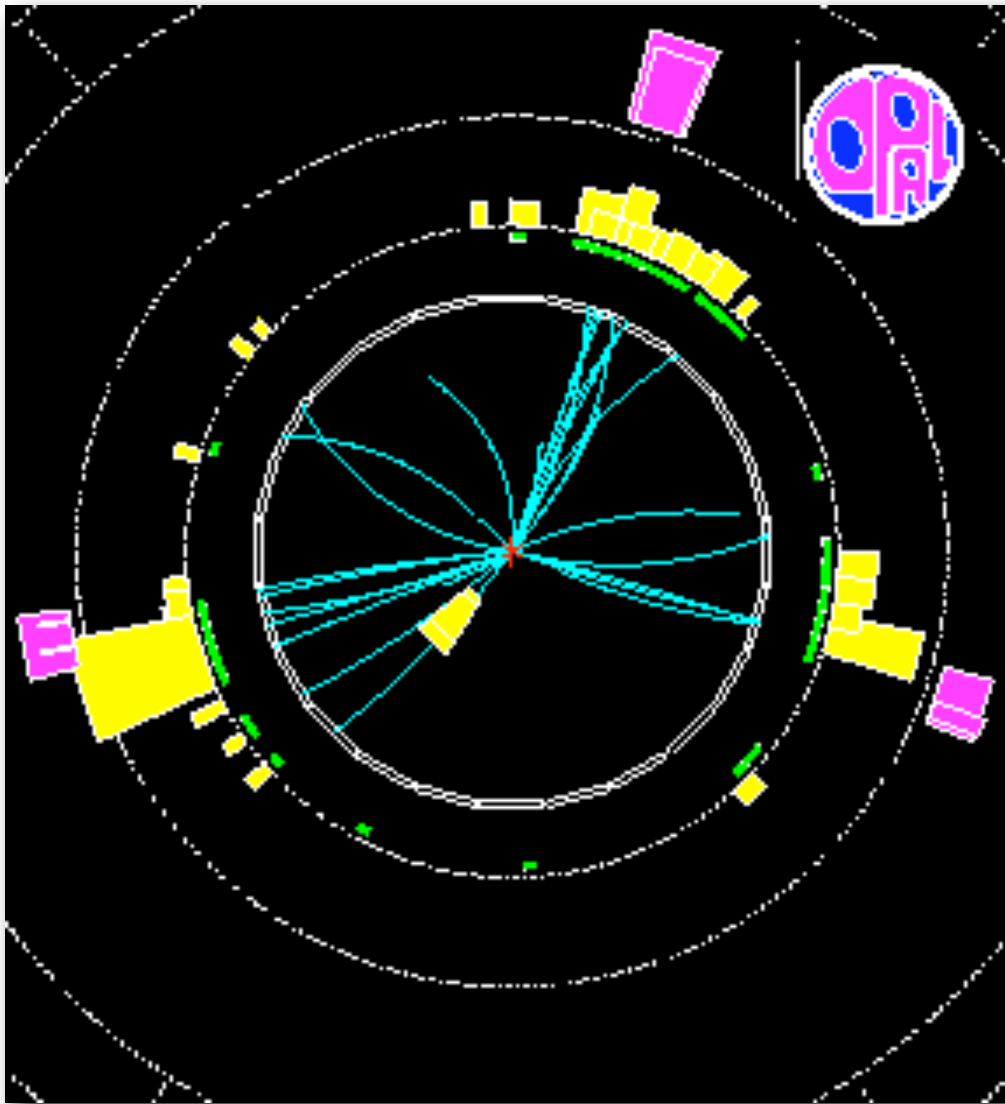
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## From PETRA to LEP

A **jet** is something that happens in high energy events:

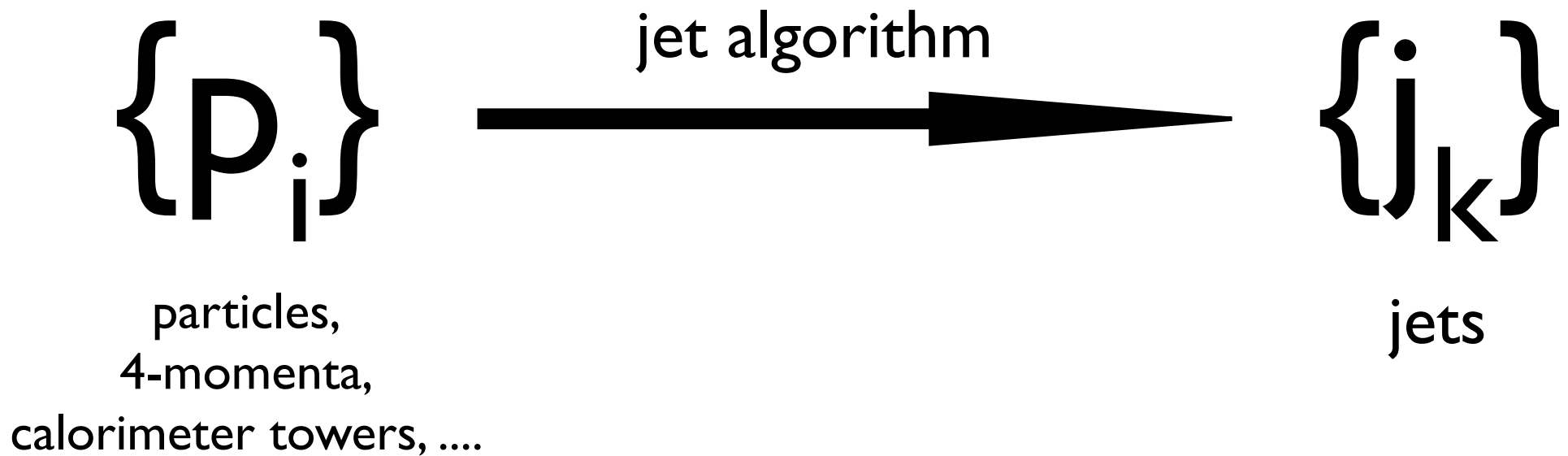
**a collimated bunch of hadrons flying roughly in the same direction**

(though, in the following, we'll extend this intuitive definition somewhat)



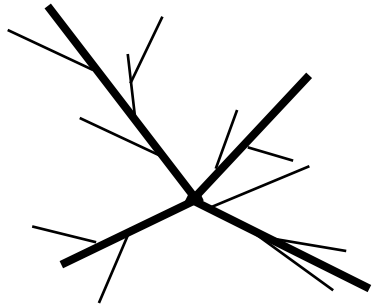
# Jet algorithm

A **jet algorithm** maps the momenta of the final state particles into the momenta of a certain number of jets:

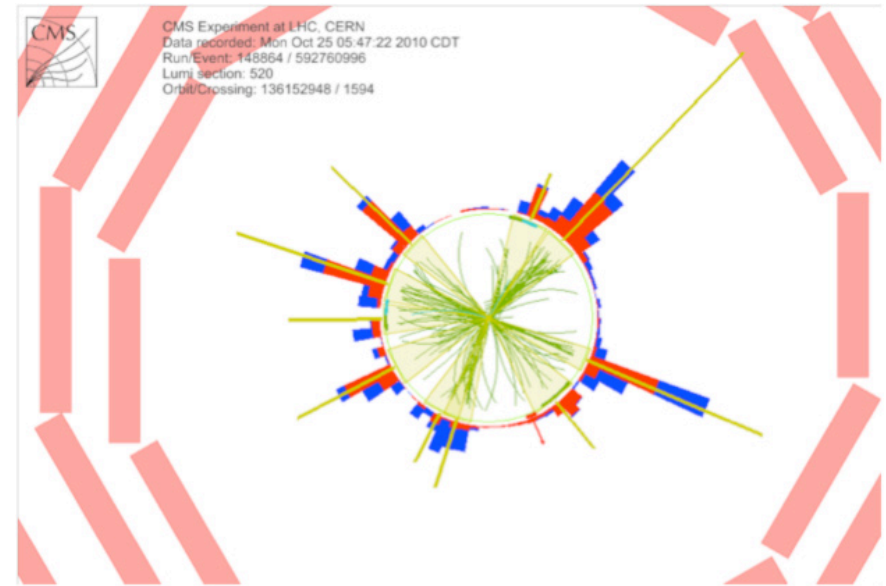


Most algorithms contain a resolution parameter, **R**,  
which controls the extension of the jet  
(more about this later on)

Multileg + PS



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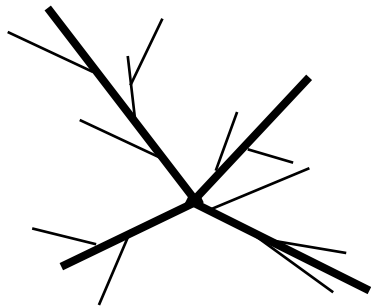
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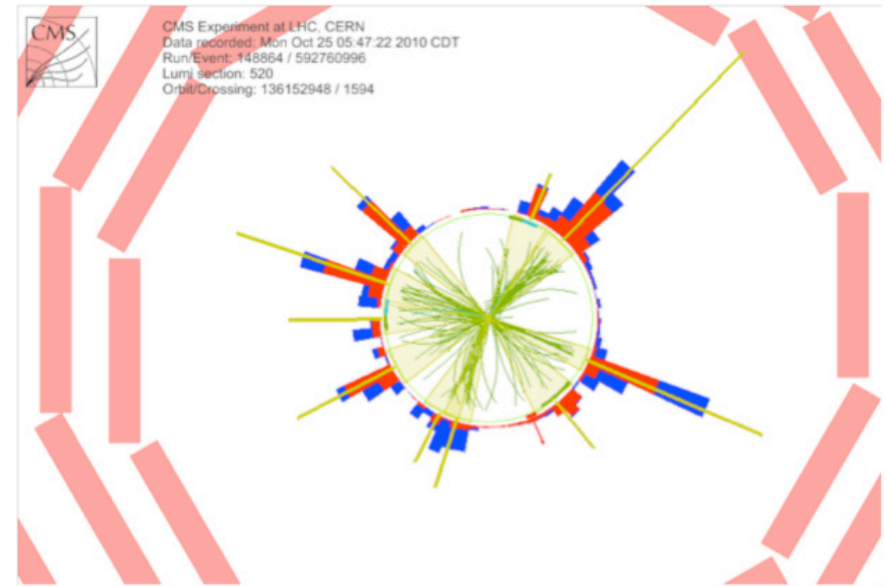
# Taming reality

Multileg + PS



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Jets

One purpose of a 'jet clustering' algorithm is to **reduce the complexity** of the final state, simplifying many hadrons to **simpler objects** that one can hope to **calculate**

## Jets can serve **two** purposes

- ▶ They can be **observables**, that one can measure and calculate
- ▶ They can be **tools**, that one can employ to extract specific properties of the final state

# Jet Definition

A jet algorithm  
+  
its parameters (e.g. R)  
+  
a recombination scheme  
=  
a **Jet Definition**

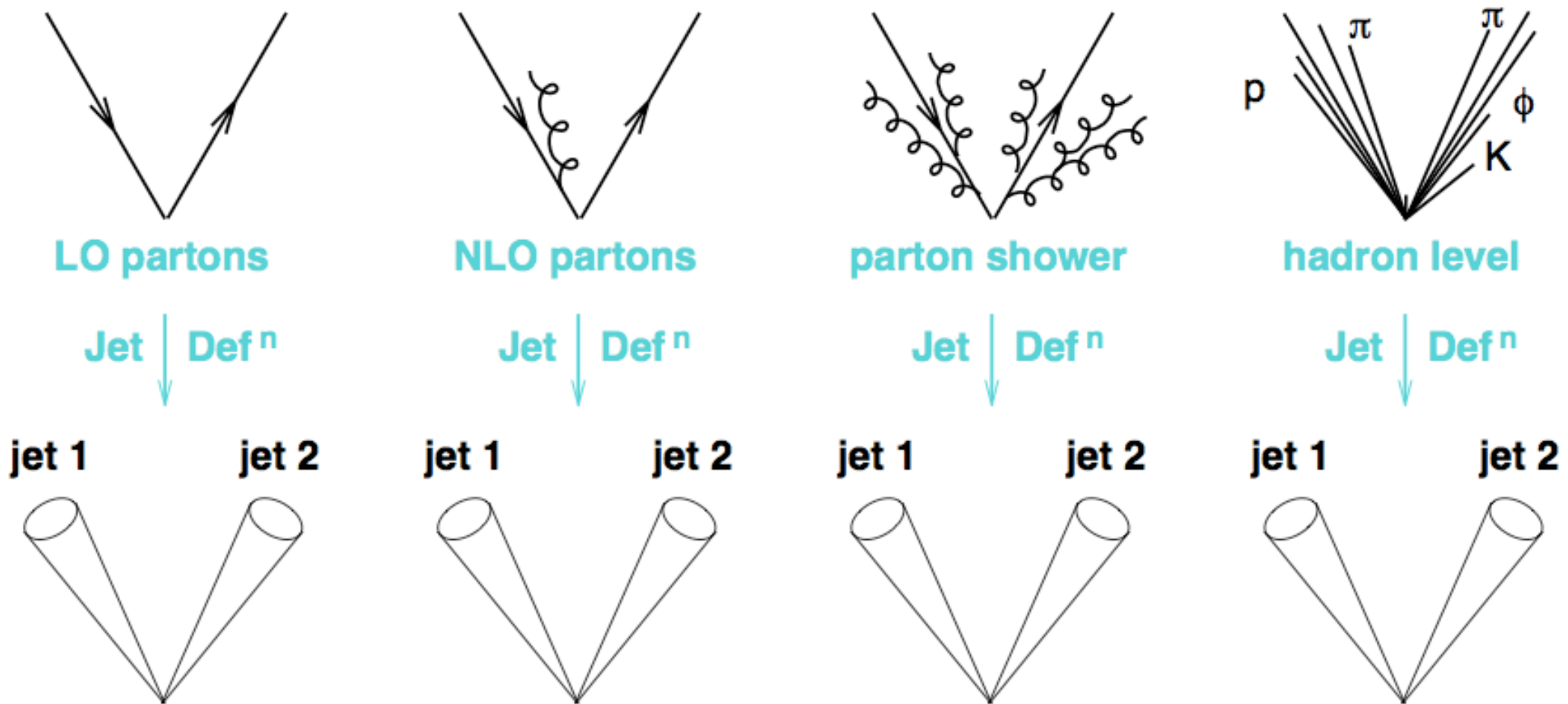
*“Jet [definitions] are legal contracts between theorists and experimentalists”*

-- MJ Tannenbaum

What makes a particular contract a **good** one?

# Jets as proxies

A good jet definition should be resilient to QCD effects



**NB. 'Resiliency' does not mean 'total insensitivity'**

A 'hadron jet' is **not** a parton

# Two main classes of jet algorithms

## ► Sequential recombination algorithms

Bottom-up approach: combine particles starting from **closest ones**

**How?** Choose a **distance measure**, iterate recombination until few objects left, call them jets

Works because of mapping closeness  $\Leftrightarrow$  QCD divergence  
Examples: Jade,  $k_t$ , Cambridge/Aachen, anti- $k_t$ , .....

## ► Cone algorithms

Top-down approach: find coarse regions of energy flow.

**How?** Find **stable cones** (i.e. their axis coincides with sum of momenta of particles in it)

Works because QCD only modifies energy flow on small scales  
Examples: JetClu, MidPoint, ATLAS cone, CMS cone, SIScone.....

# Finding cones

Different procedures for placing the cones lead to **different cone algorithms**

NB: their properties and behaviour can **vastly differ**:  
there isn't '**a**' cone algorithm, but rather many of them

The main sub-categories of cone algorithms are:

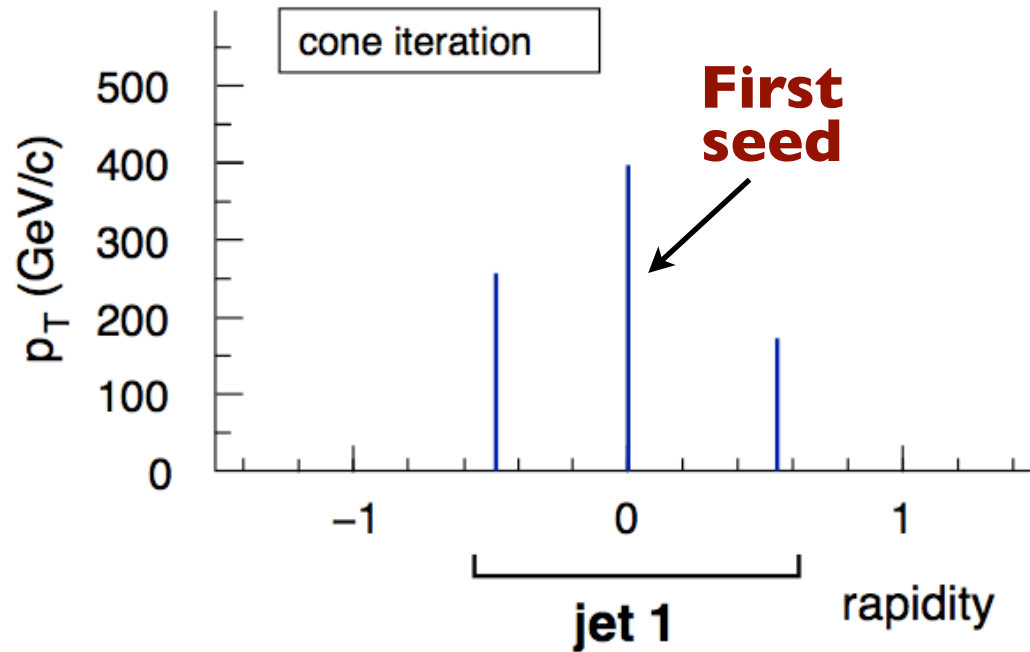
- \* **Fixed** cone with **progressive removal** (FC-PR) (PyJet, CellJet, GetJet)
- \* **Iterative** cone with **progressive removal** (IC-PR) (CMS iterative cone)
- \* **Iterative** cone with **split-merge** (IC-SM) (JetClu, ATLAS cone)
- \* **IC-SM** with **mid-points** ( $\text{IC}_{\text{mp}}$ -SM) (CDF MidPoint, D0 Run II)
- \*  $\text{IC}_{\text{mp}}$  with **split-drop** ( $\text{IC}_{\text{mp}}$ -SD) (PxCone)
- \* **Seedless** cone with **split-merge** (SC-SM) (SISCone)

## Iterative Cone with Progressive Removal (IC-PR) (e.g. the CMS Iterative Cone)

- ▶ Begin with **hardest particle** as seed
- ▶ Cluster particles into cone if  $\Delta R < R$
- ▶ **Iterate** until stable (i.e. axis coincide with sum of momenta) cones found
- ▶ Eliminate constituents of jet and start over from hardest remaining particle

# IC-PR cone collinear unsafety

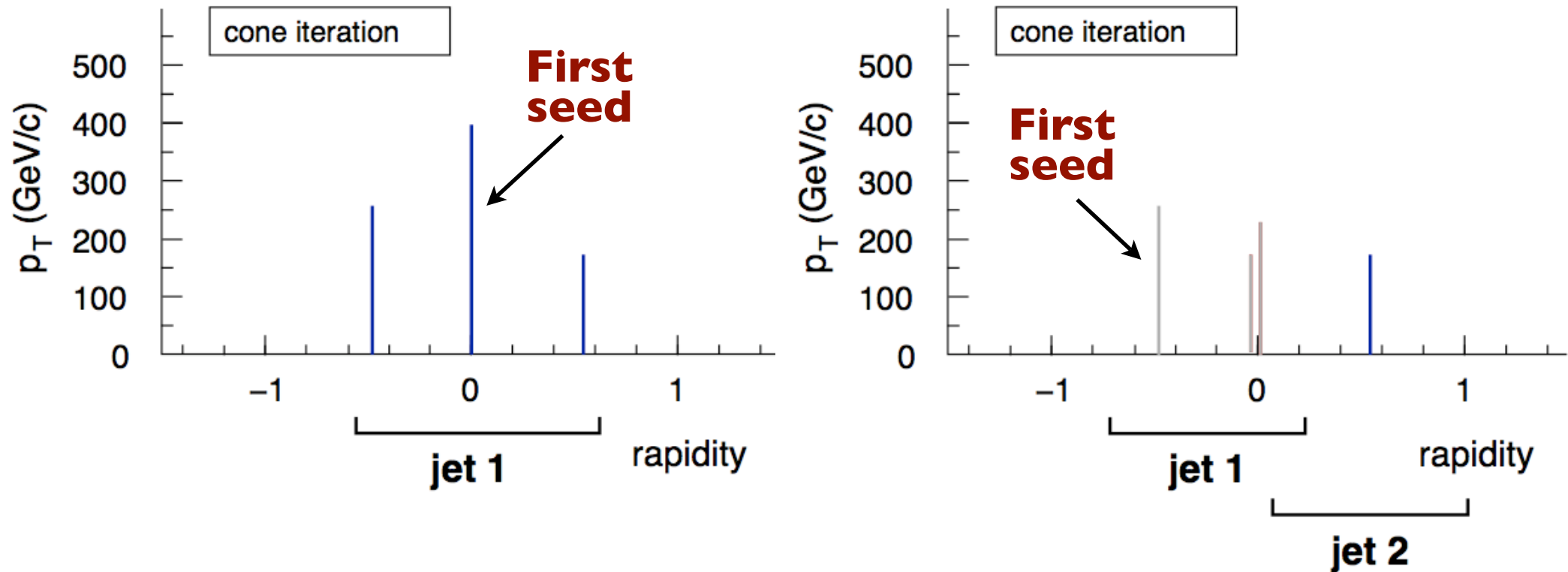
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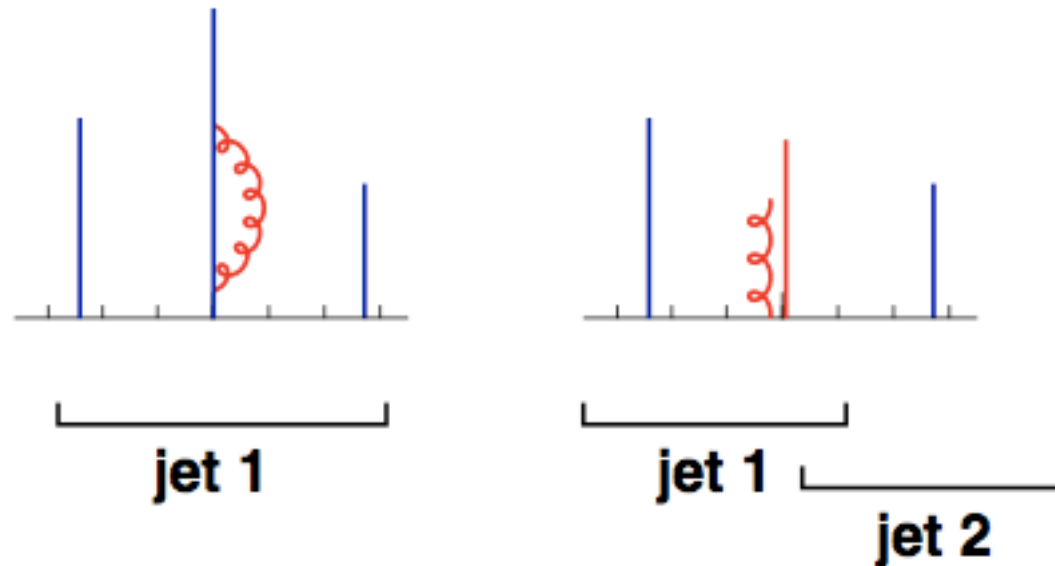


Splitting the hardest particle **collinearly** has changed the number of final jets

# Consequences of collinear unsafety

In QCD perturbation theory, virtual and soft/collinear real configurations can only cancel if they lead to the **same** final state

In this example with IC-PR, we have seen that the final state can differ:



⇒ no cancellation of divergencies, no convergence of perturbation theory

Jet algorithms using hardest particles as seeds will generally be susceptible to collinear unsafety

# Iterative Cone with Split-Merge (IC-SM)

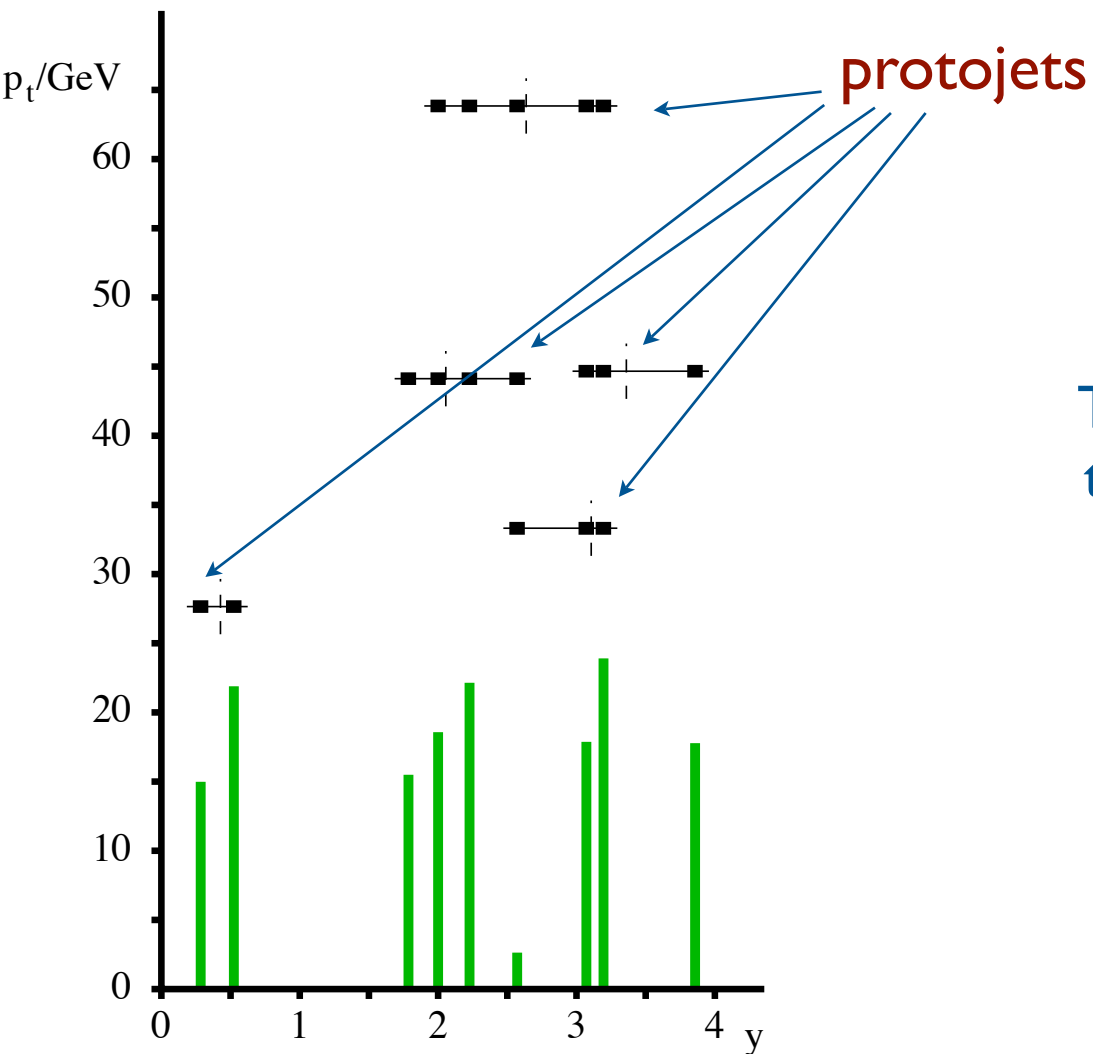
Choosing hardest particles as seed was an issue (collinear unsafety).

Let us therefore try taking **all particles**

- ▶ Use **all particles** as seed
- ▶ Cluster particles into cone if  $\Delta R < R$
- ▶ Iterate until stable (i.e. axis coincide with sum of momenta) cones found
- ▶ Split-merge step (see later on)

Examples of this algorithm are JetClu and the ATLAS Cone

Iterating the cones over all particles as seeds returns 5 stable protojets



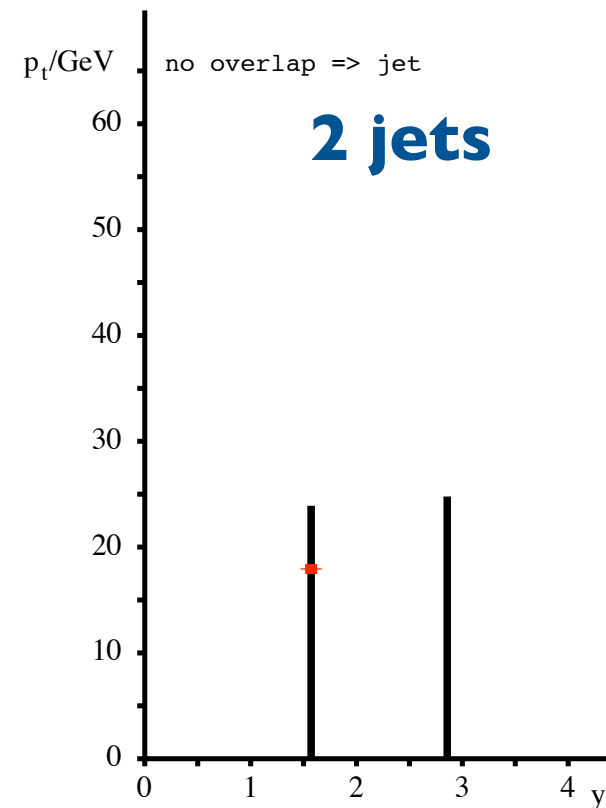
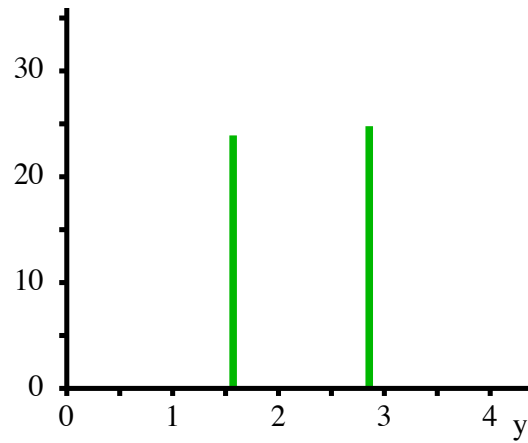
The lack of 'progressive removal' means that some protojets can be overlapping (i.e. contain the same particles).  
Must deal with this: **split-merge**

‘Split-merge’ is a further algorithm aimed at disentangling overlapping protojets.

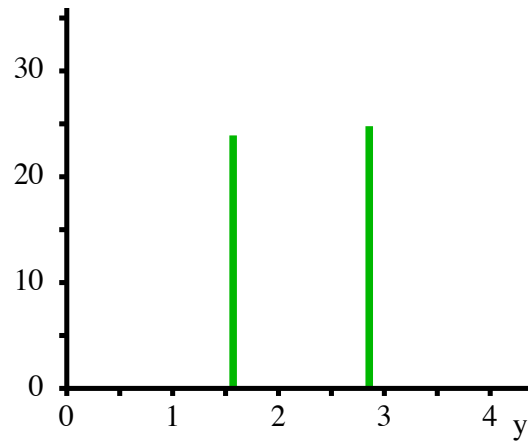
The Tevatron Run II implementation goes like this:

- ▶ Choose an **overlap threshold  $f$**
- ▶ Find hardest protojet
- ▶ Find hardest other protojet overlapping with it
- ▶ Merge if they share a fraction of momentum larger than  $f$ , split along axis at centre otherwise
- ▶ (Call protojet a jet if there are no overlapping protojets)

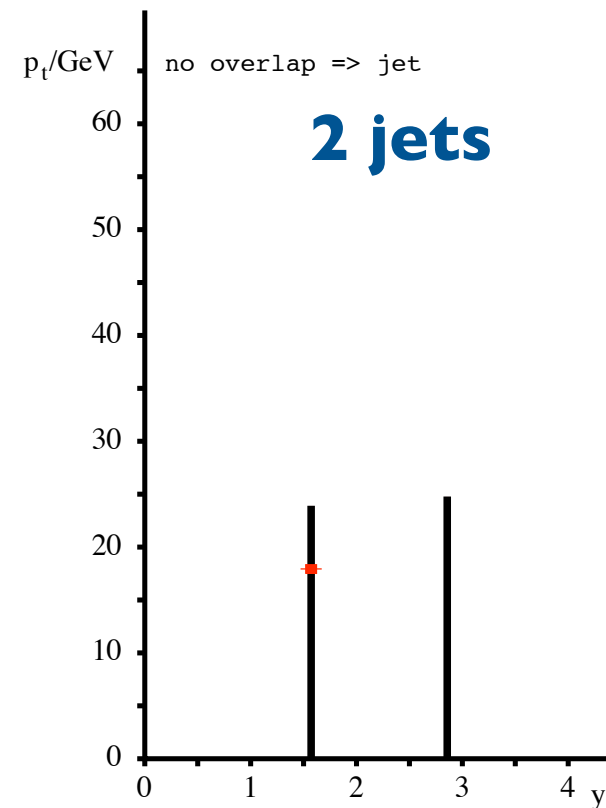
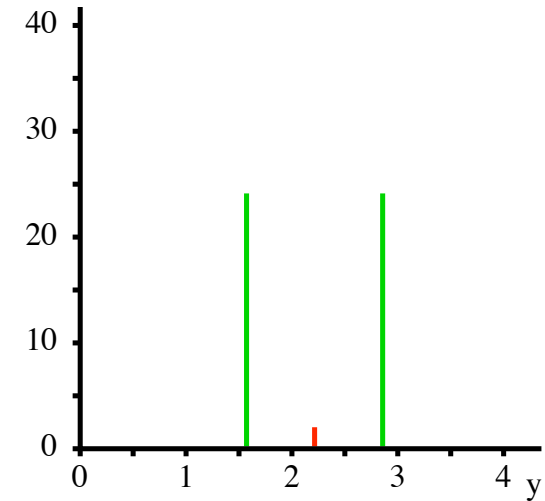
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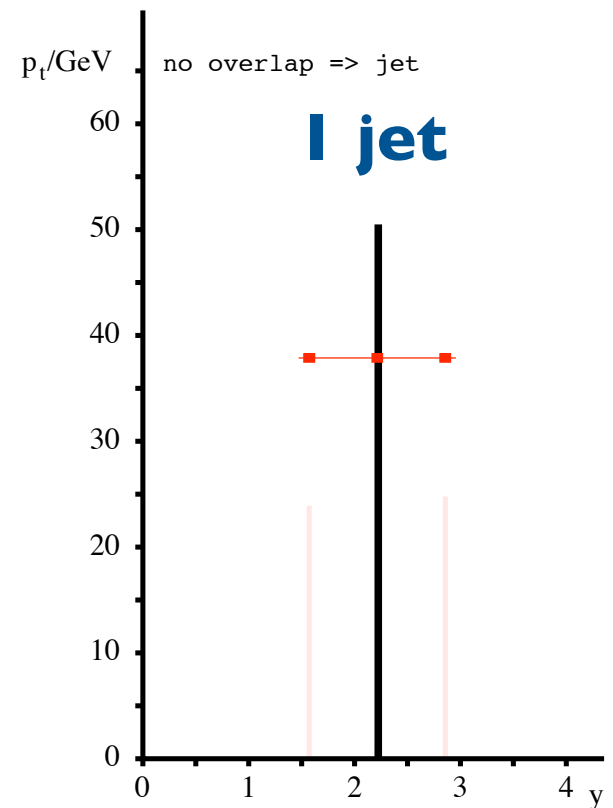
# IC-SM infrared unsafety



Add a  
**soft particle**



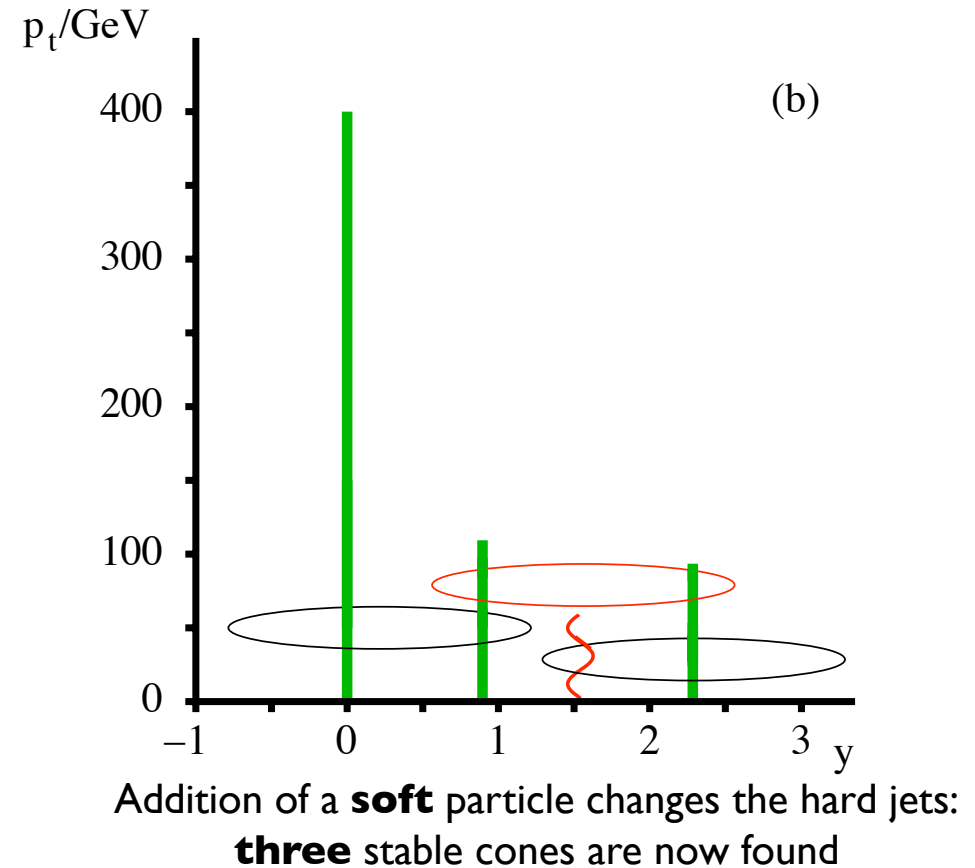
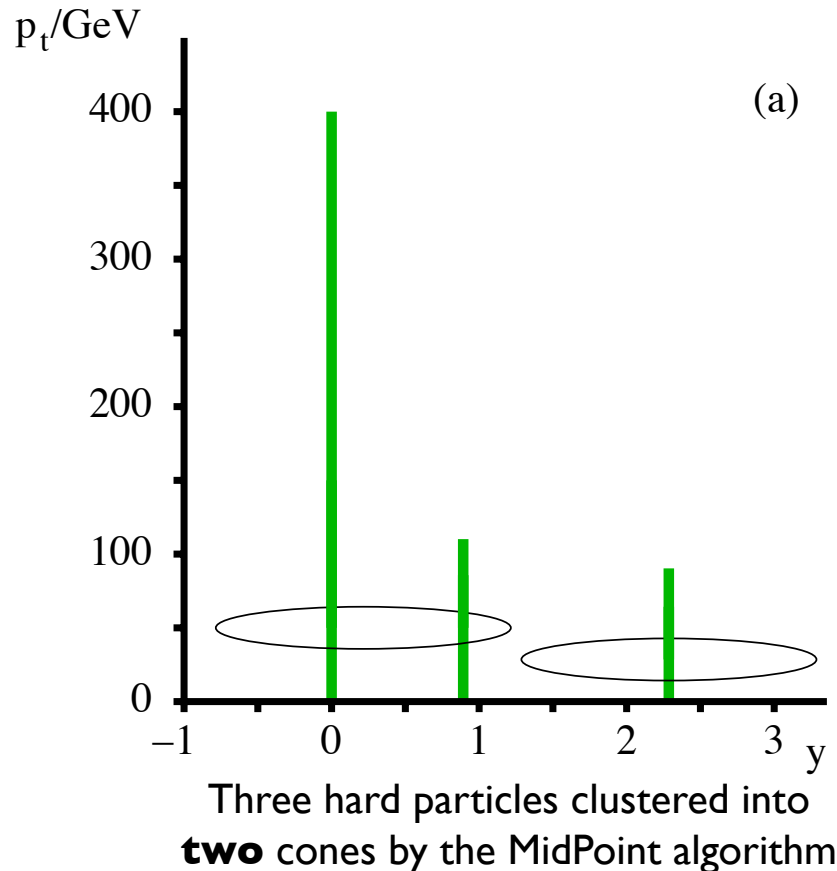
**Final state jets  
differ**



# MidPoint ( $IC_{mp}$ -SM) infrared unsafety

MidPoint fixes the two-particle configuration IR-safety problem by **adding midpoints** to list of seeds.

But this merely **shifts the problem to three-particle configurations**



The problem is that the stable-cone search procedure used by seeded IC algorithms often cannot find **all** possible stable cones



# A long list of cones (all eventually unsafe)

Les Houches 2007 proceedings, arXiv:0803.0678

‘First-generation’ algorithms

CDF JetClu	$IC_r$ -SM	$IR_{2+1}$
CDF MidPoint cone	$IC_{mp}$ -SM	$IR_{3+1}$
CDF MidPoint searchcone	$IC_{se,mp}$ -SM	$IR_{2+1}$
D0 Run II cone	$IC_{mp}$ -SM	$IR_{3+1}$
ATLAS Cone	IC-SM	$IR_{2+1}$
PxCone	$IC_{mp}$ -SD	$IR_{3+1}$
CMS Iterative Cone	IC-PR	$Coll_{3+1}$
PyCell/CellJet (from Pythia)	FC-PR	$Coll_{3+1}$
GetJet (from ISAJET)	FC-PR	$Coll_{3+1}$

IC = Iterative Cone

SM = Split-Merge

SD = Split-Drop

FC = Fixed Cone

PR = Progressive Removal

type of  
algorithm

safety issue

$IR_{n+1}$  : unsafe when a soft particle is added to  
n hard particles in a common neighbourhood

$Coll_{n+1}$  : unsafe when one of n hard particles in  
a common neighbourhood is split collinearly

# IRC safety does matter

The best cones seen so far fail at  $(3+1)$  partons, others already at  $(2+1)$

	<i>Last meaningful order</i>			Known at
	JetClu, ATLAS cone [IC-SM]	MidPoint [IC <sub>mp</sub> -SM]	CMS it. cone [IC-PR]	
Inclusive jets	LO	NLO	NLO	NLO ( $\rightarrow$ NNLO)
$W/Z + 1$ jet	LO	NLO	NLO	NLO
3 jets	<b>none</b>	LO	LO	NLO [nlojet++]
$W/Z + 2$ jets	<b>none</b>	LO	LO	NLO [MCFM]
$m_{\text{jet}}$ in $2j + X$	<b>none</b>	<b>none</b>	<b>none</b>	LO

Using unsafe jet tools essentially renders  
many QCD calculations useless

Good jet definitions become more and more important as event predictions have more and more substructure, as in higher order multileg calculations

# IRC safety in real life

Strictly speaking, one needs IRC safety not so much to find jets, but to be able to calculate them in pQCD

If you are not interested in theory/data comparisons, you may think of doing well enough with an IRC-unsafe jet algorithm

## However

- ▶ Detectors may split/merge collinear particles, and be poorly understood for soft ones
- ▶ High luminosity (or heavy ions collisions) add a lot of soft particles to hard event

IRC safety provides resiliency to such effects  
(plus, at some point in the future you may wish to compare your measurement to a calculation)

# Seedless IRC-safe Cone (SC-SM): SISCon

Salam, Soyez, arXiv:0704:0292

Seeds are a problem:  
they lead to finding only some of the stable cones

Obvious solution:  
find ALL stable cones, testing all possible combinations of  $N$  particles

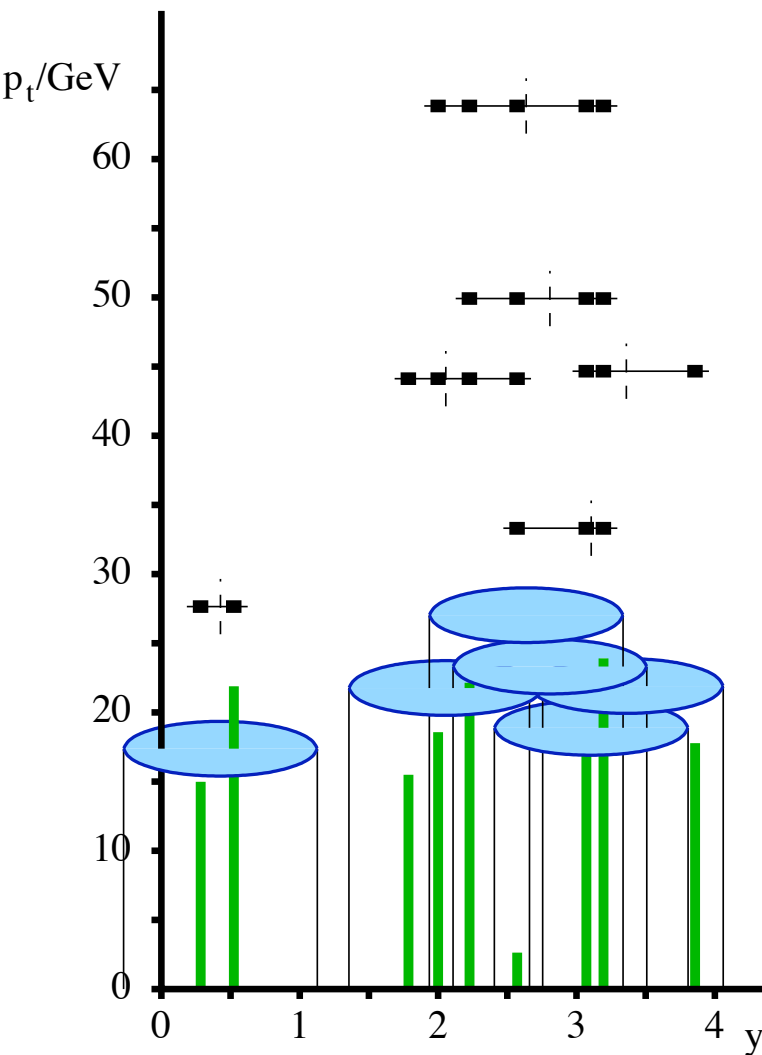
Unfortunately, this takes  $N^2$  operations:  
the age of the universe for only 100 particles

Way out: a geometrical solution → SISCon

The first (and only?) IRC-safe cone algorithm for hadronic collisions

SISCon is guaranteed to find ALL the stable cones

These are **ALL**  
the stable cones

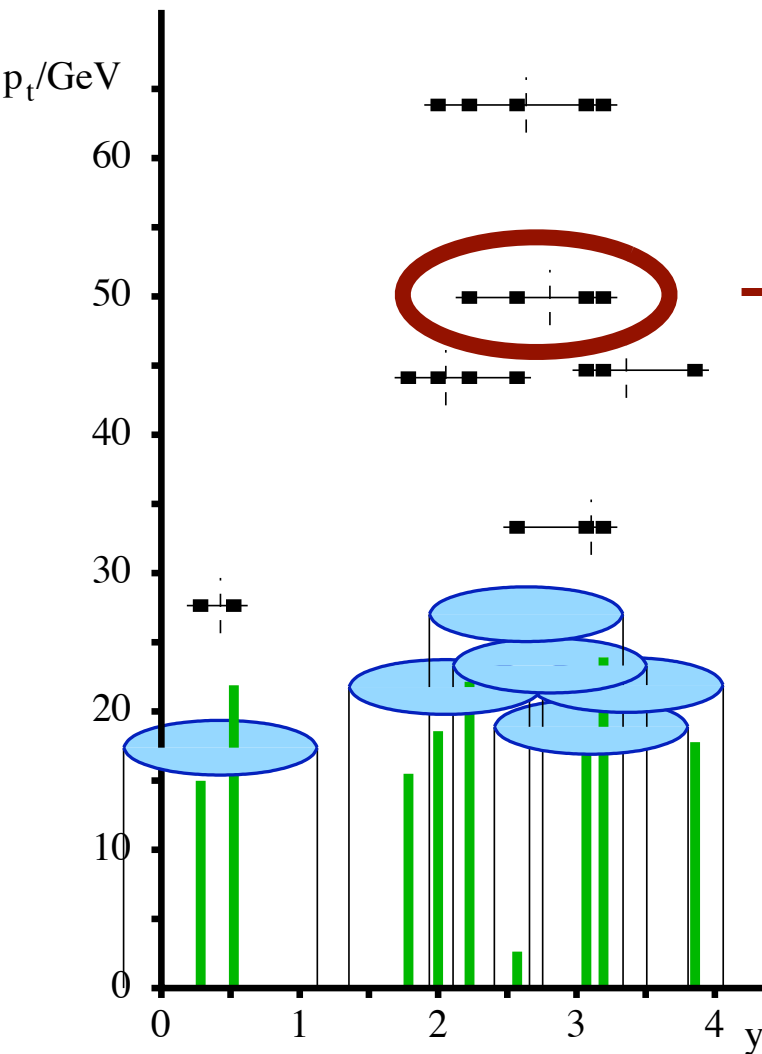


SISCone

IC-SM

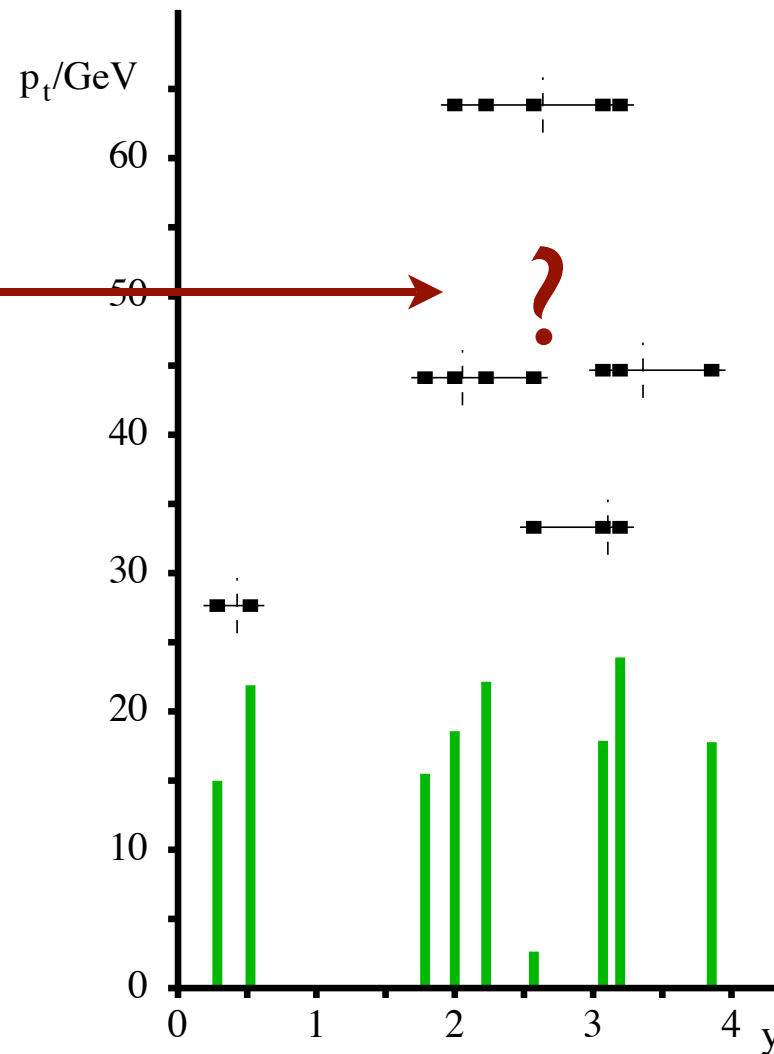
# SISCone v. IC-SM

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SISCone

Compare to those found by IC-SM:  
one is missing



IC-SM

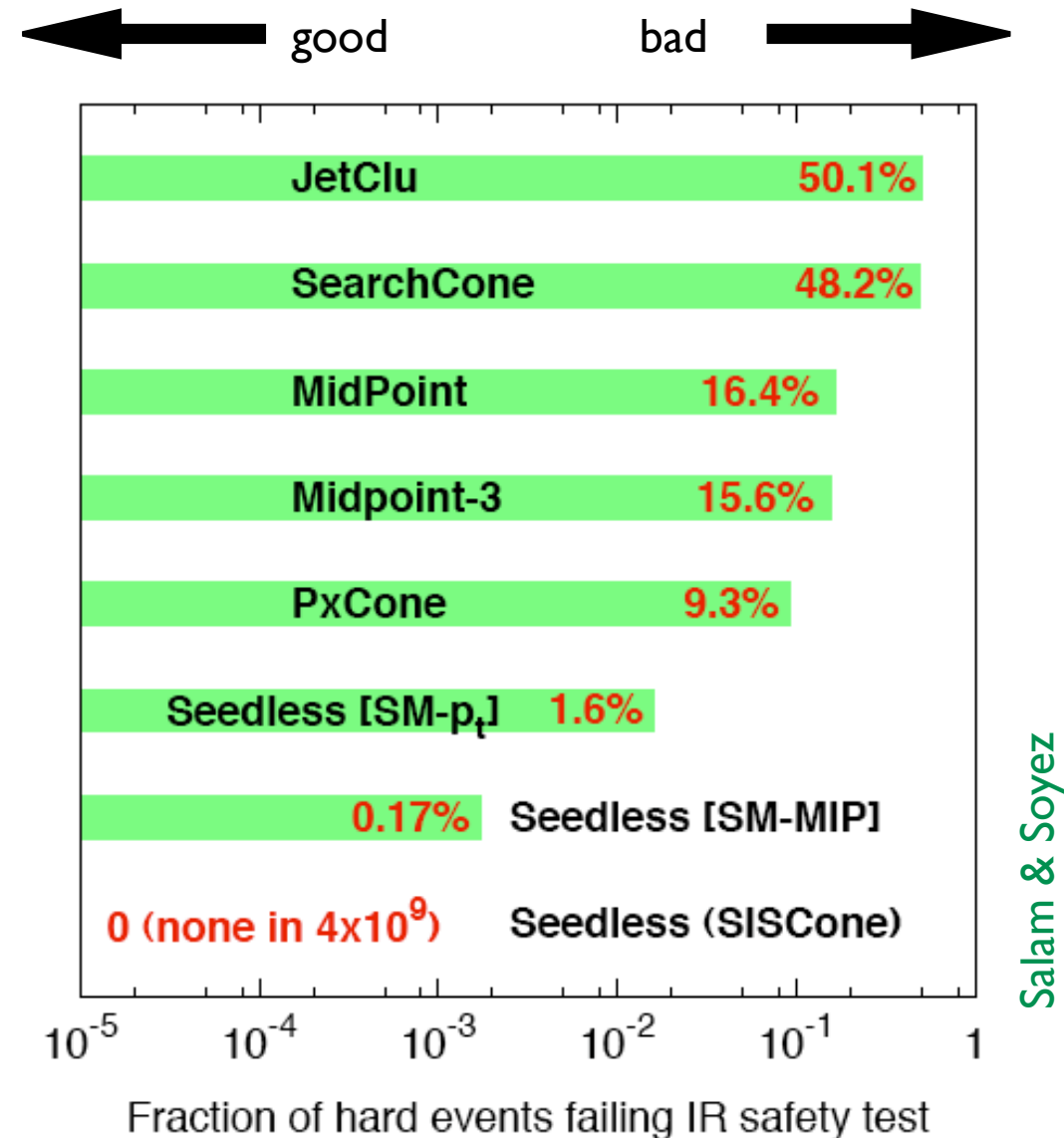
# Cones Infrared (un)safety

**Q:** How often are the hard jets changed by the addition of a soft particle?

- ▶ Generate event with  $2 < N < 10$  hard particles, find jets
  - ▶ Add  $1 < N_{soft} < 5$  soft particles, find jets again
- A:** [repeatedly]
- ▶ If the jets are different, algorithm is IR unsafe.

Unsafety level	failure rate
2 hard + 1 soft	$\sim 50\%$
3 hard + 1 soft	$\sim 15\%$
<b>SISCone</b>	<b>IR safe !</b>

Be careful with split-merge too



# Recombination algorithms

- ▶ First introduced in  $e^+e^-$  collisions in the '80s
- ▶ Typically they work by calculating a '**distance**' between particles, and then recombine them pairwise according to a given order, until some condition is met (e.g. no particles are left, or the distance crosses a given threshold)

IRC safety can usually be seen to be trivially guaranteed



# JADE algorithm

distance:

$$y_{ij} = \frac{2E_i E_j (1 - \cos \theta_{ij})}{Q^2}$$

- ▶ Find the minimum  $y_{\min}$  of all  $y_{ij}$
- ▶ If  $y_{\min}$  is below some jet resolution threshold  $y_{\text{cut}}$ , recombine  $i$  and  $j$  into a single new particle ('pseudojet'), and repeat
- ▶ If no  $y_{\min} < y_{\text{cut}}$  are left, all remaining particles are jets

Problem of this particular algorithm:

two soft particles emitted at large angle get easily recombined into a single jet:  
counterintuitive and perturbatively troublesome

# $e^+e^- k_t$ (Durham) algorithm

[Catani, Dokshitzer, Olsson, Turnock, Webber '91]

Identical to JADE,  
but with distance:

$$y_{ij} = \frac{2 \min(E_i^2, E_j^2)(1 - \cos \theta_{ij})}{Q^2}$$

In the collinear limit, the numerator reduces to the **relative transverse momentum** (squared) of the two particles, hence the name of the algorithm

The use of the  $\min()$  avoids the problem of recombination of back-to-back particles present in JADE: a soft and a hard particle close in angle are 'closer' than two soft ones at large angle

One key feature of the  $k_t$  algorithm is its relation to the structure of QCD divergences:

$$\frac{dP_{k \rightarrow ij}}{dE_i d\theta_{ij}} \sim \frac{\alpha_s}{\min(E_i, E_j) \theta_{ij}}$$

The  $k_t$  algorithm inverts the QCD branching sequence (the pair which is recombined first is the one with the largest probability to have branched)

# $k_t$ algorithm in hadron collisions

(Inclusive and longitudinally invariant version)

$$d_{ij} = \min(p_{ti}^2, p_{tj}^2) \frac{\Delta R_{ij}^2}{R^2} \quad d_{iB} = p_{ti}^2$$

- ▶ Calculate the distances between the particles:  $d_{ij}$
- ▶ Calculate the beam distances:  $d_{iB}$
- ▶ Combine particles with **smallest distance**  $d_{ij}$  or, if  $d_{iB}$  is smallest, call it a jet
- ▶ Find again smallest distance and repeat procedure until no particles are left (this stopping criterion leads to the *inclusive* version of the  $k_t$  algorithm)

Given  $N$  particles this is, naively, an  $O(N^3)$  algorithm:  
calculate  $N^2$  distances, repeat for all  $N$  iterations

# The $k_t$ algorithm and its siblings

One can generalise the  $k_t$  distance measure:

$$d_{ij} = \min(k_{ti}^{2p}, k_{tj}^{2p}) \frac{\Delta y^2 + \Delta \phi^2}{R^2} \qquad d_{iB} = k_{ti}^{2p}$$

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**p = -1** anti- $k_t$  algorithm

MC, G. Salam and G. Soyez, arXiv:0802.1189

NB: in anti- $k_t$  pairs with a **hard** particle will cluster first: if no other hard particles are close by, the algorithm will give **perfect cones**

Quite ironically, a sequential recombination algorithm is the 'perfect' cone algorithm

# IRC safe algorithms

$k_t$

SR

$$d_{ij} = \min(k_{ti}^2, k_{tj}^2) \Delta R_{ij}^2 / R^2$$

hierarchical in rel  $p_t$

Catani et al '91  
Ellis, Soper '93

$N \ln N$

Cambridge/  
Aachen

SR

$$d_{ij} = \Delta R_{ij}^2 / R^2$$

hierarchical in angle

Dokshitzer et al '97  
Wengler, Wobish '98

$N \ln N$

anti- $k_t$

SR

$$d_{ij} = \min(k_{ti}^{-2}, k_{tj}^{-2}) \Delta R_{ij}^2 / R^2$$

gives perfectly conical hard jets

MC, Salam, Soyez '08  
(Delsart, Loch)

$N^{3/2}$

SISCone

Seedless iterative cone  
with split-merge  
gives 'economical' jets

Salam, Soyez '07

$N^2 \ln N$

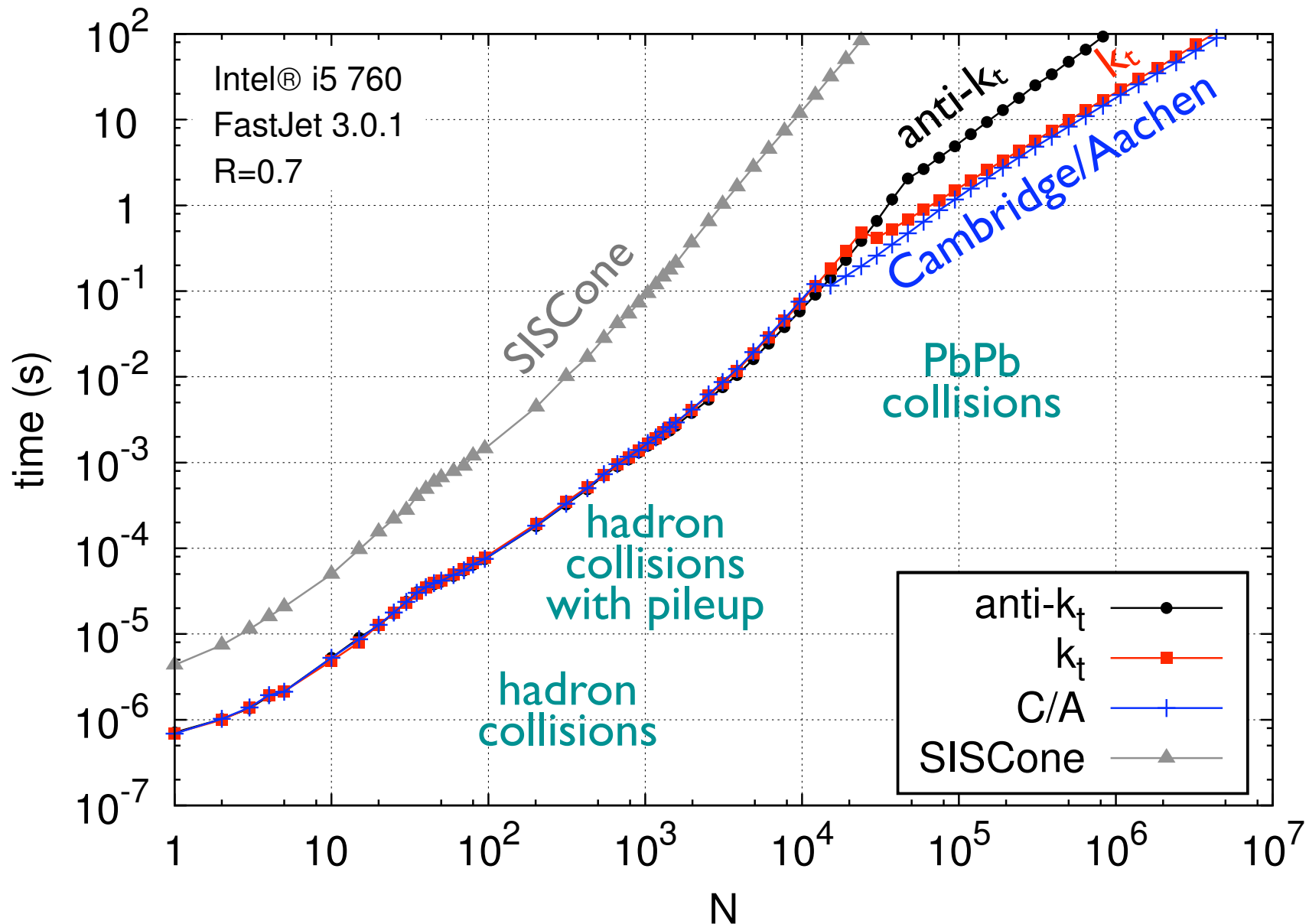
'second-generation' algorithms

All are available in FastJet, <http://fastjet.fr>

(As well as many IRC unsafe ones)

# FastJet speed test

Time needed to cluster an event with  $N$  particles





Jets' reach

# Jets 'reach'

Algorithmically, a jet is simply a collection of particles

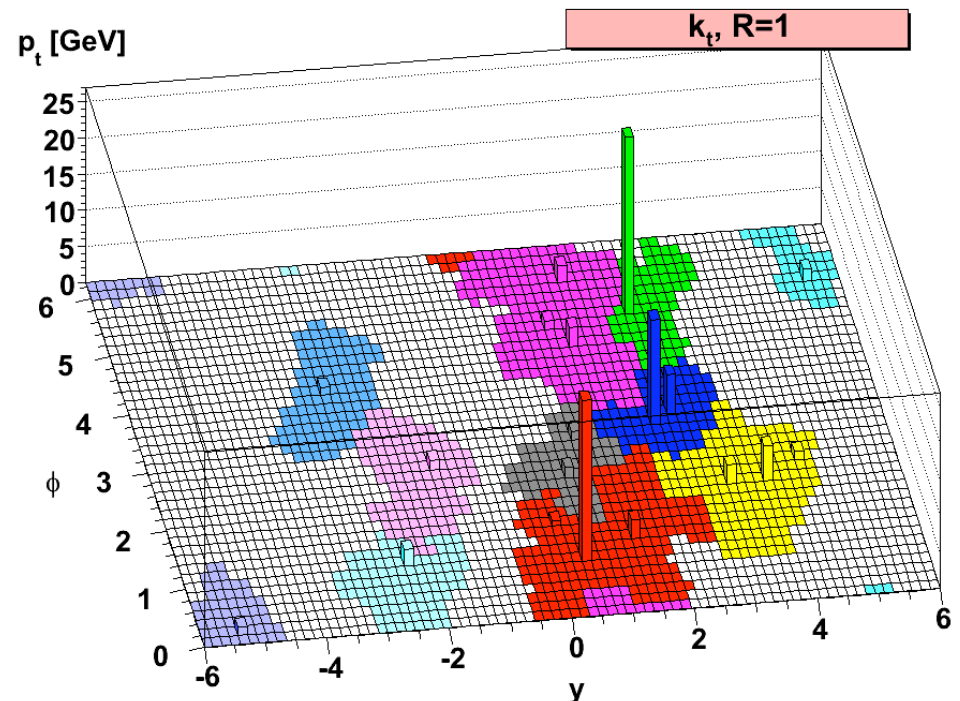
For a number of reasons, it is however useful to consider its **spatial extent**, i.e. given the position of its axis, up to where does it collect particles? What is its shape?

These details are important for a number of corrections of various origin: perturbative, non-perturbative (hadronisation), detector related, etc

Note that the intuitive picture of a jet being a cone (of radius  $R$ ) is **wrong**.

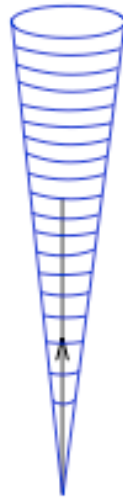
This is what  $k_t$  jets can look like:

(more later about what this plot really means)

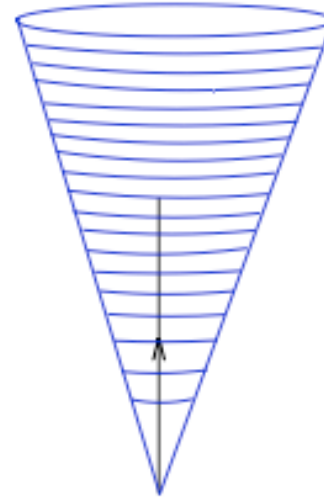


# Effects of jet 'radius'

**Small jet radius**



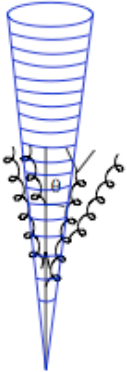
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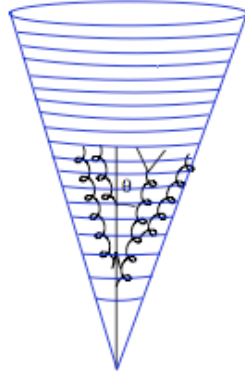
Irrelevant for a single-particle jet

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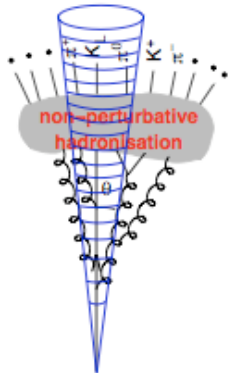


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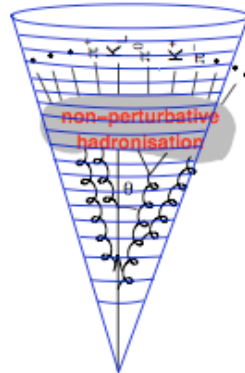


**perturbative** radiation:  
large radius **better** (lose less)

Small jet radius

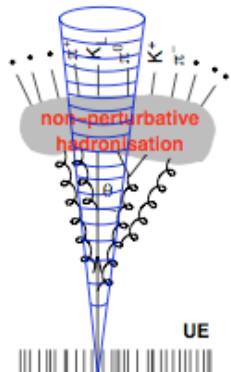


Large jet radius

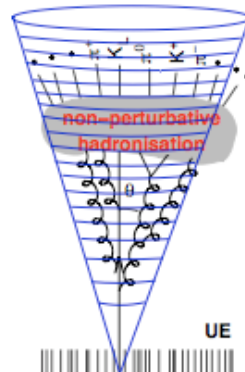


**non-perturbative** hadronisation:  
large radius **better** (lose less)

Small jet radius



Large jet radius



**underlying event:**  
large radius **worse** (capture more)

# R-dependent effects

**Perturbative radiation:**  $\Delta p_t \simeq \frac{\alpha_s(C_F, C_A)}{\pi} p_t \ln R$

**Hadronisation:**  $\Delta p_t \simeq -\frac{(C_F, C_A)}{R} \times 0.4 \text{ GeV}$

**Underlying Event:**  $\Delta p_t \simeq \frac{R^2}{2} \times \left( \underset{\text{Tevatron}}{2.5} \text{ --- } \underset{\text{LHC}}{15} \text{ GeV} \right)$

(small-R limit results)

Analytical estimates: Dasgupta, Magnea, Salam, arXiv:0712.3014

# From jet 'reach' to jet areas

Not one, but three **definitions** of a jet's size:

MC, Salam, Soyez, arXiv:0802.1188

## ► **Passive area**

Place a single soft particle in the event,  
measure the extent of the region where it  
gets clustered within a given jet

Reach of jet for **pointlike** radiation

## ► **Active area**

Fill the events with many soft particles, cluster them  
together with the hard ones, see how many get  
clustered within a given jet

Reach of jet for **diffuse** radiation

## ► **Voronoi area**

Sum of areas of intersections of Voronoi cells  
of jet constituents with  
circle of radius  $R$  centred on each constituent

Coincides with passive area for  $k_t$  algorithm

(In the large number of particles limit all areas converge to the same value)

# Jet active area

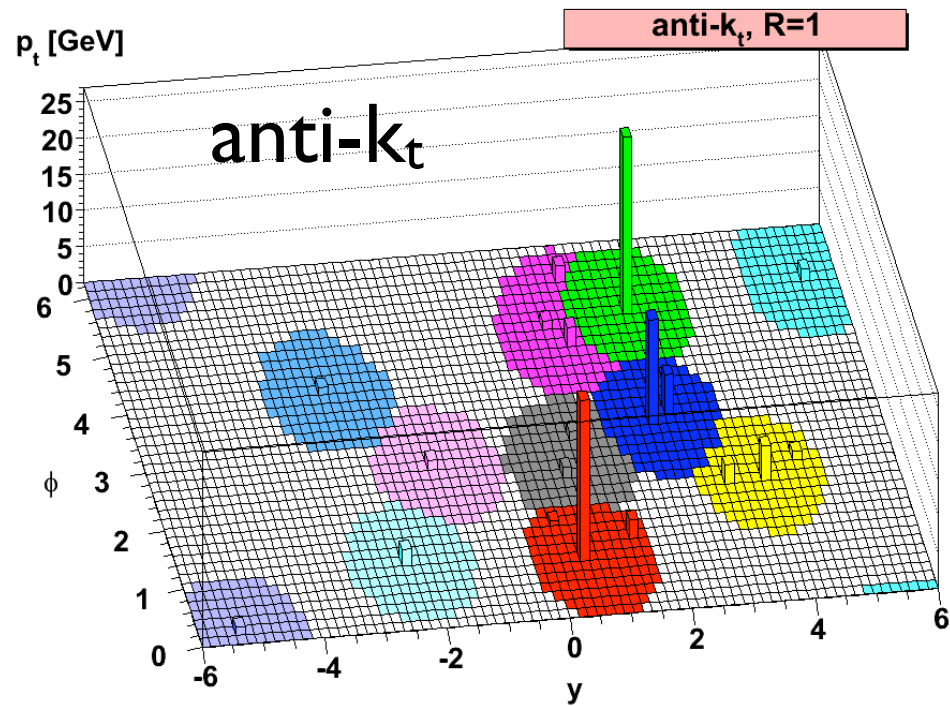
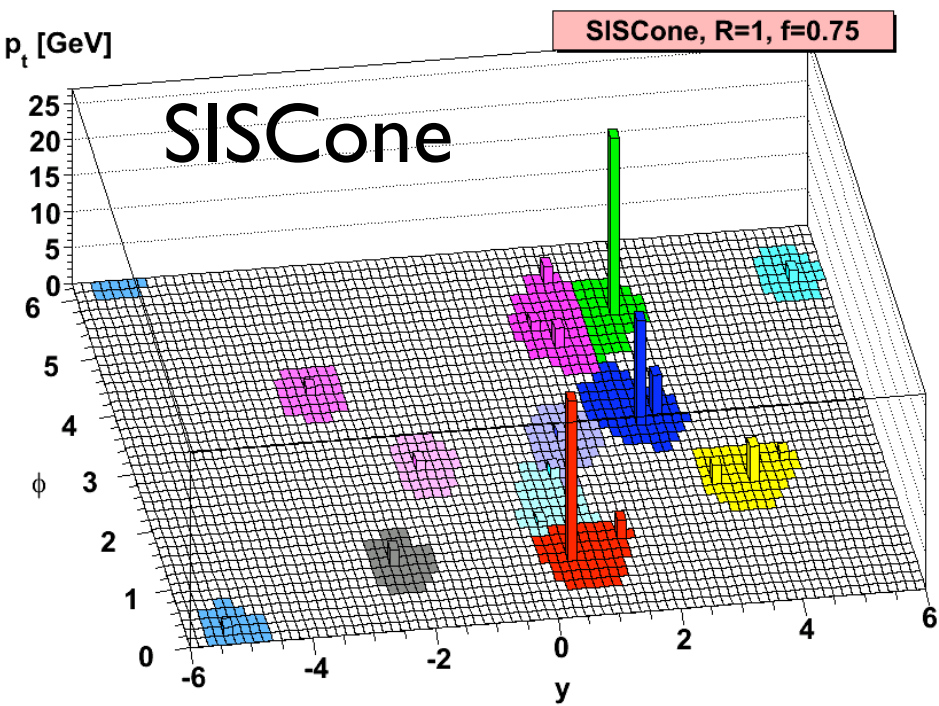
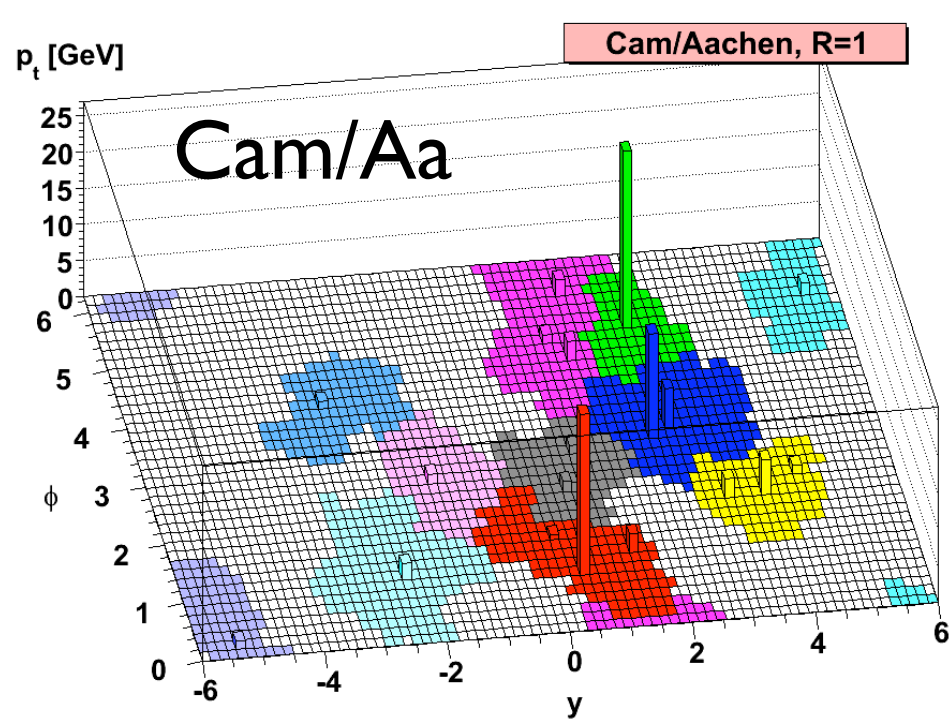
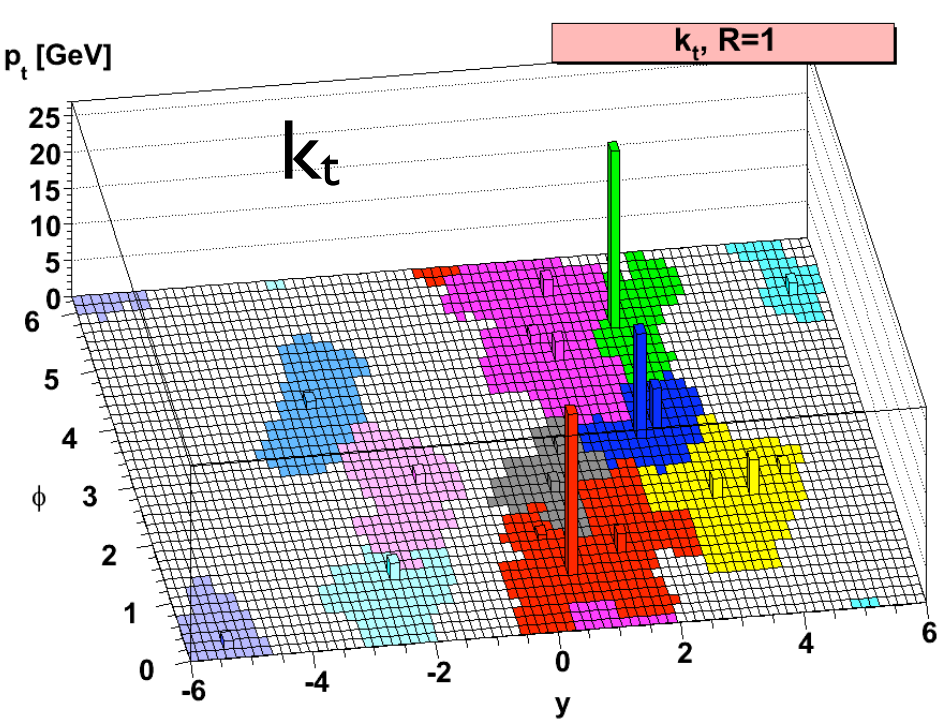
The definition of **active area** mimics the behaviour of the jet-clustering algorithms in the presence of a **large number of randomly distributed soft particles**, like those due to **pileup or underlying event**

Tools needed to implement it

1. An **infrared safe jet algorithm** (the ghosts should not change the jets)
2. A reasonably **fast implementation** (we are adding thousands of ghosts)

Both are available

As a bonus, active areas also allow for a **visualisation** of a jet's reach

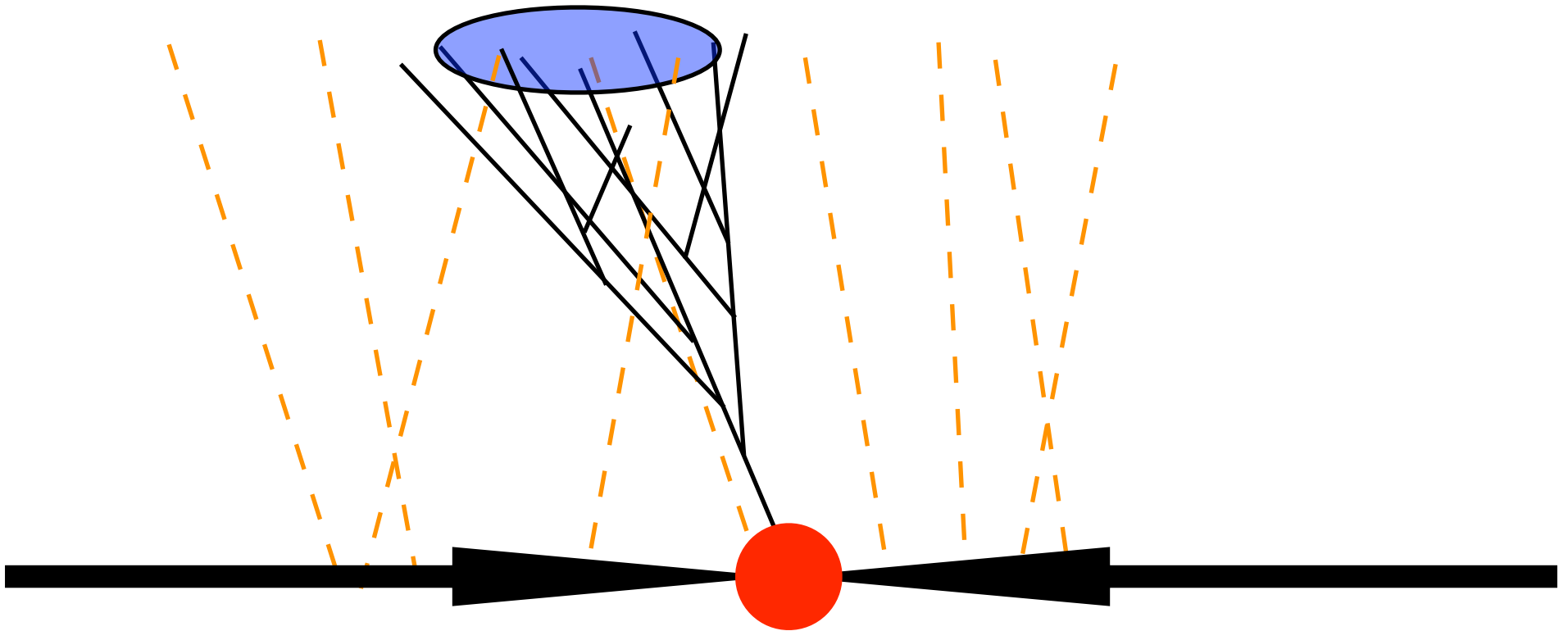




# Jet area: summary

- ▶ Jets CAN have an area, but one must define it
- ▶ The jet (active) area expresses the susceptibility of a jet to contamination from a uniform background
- ▶ Different jet algorithms can have very different area properties:
  - ▶ Jet areas in many algorithms can fluctuate significantly from a jet to another. Isolated hard jets in anti- $k_t$  are one exception
  - ▶ Jet areas can depend on a jet's  $p_t$ , driven by a (calculable) anomalous dimension that is specific to each jet algorithm. Anti- $k_t$  jets are again an exception, in that the anomalous dimension is zero.

# Hard jets and background

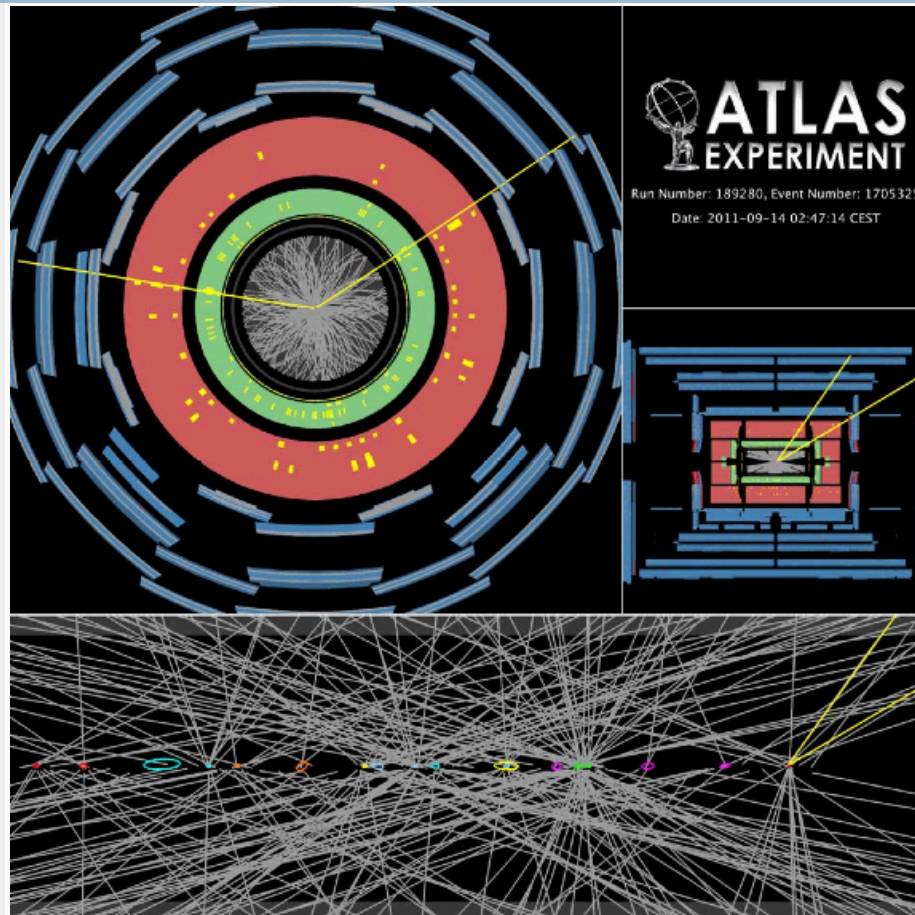
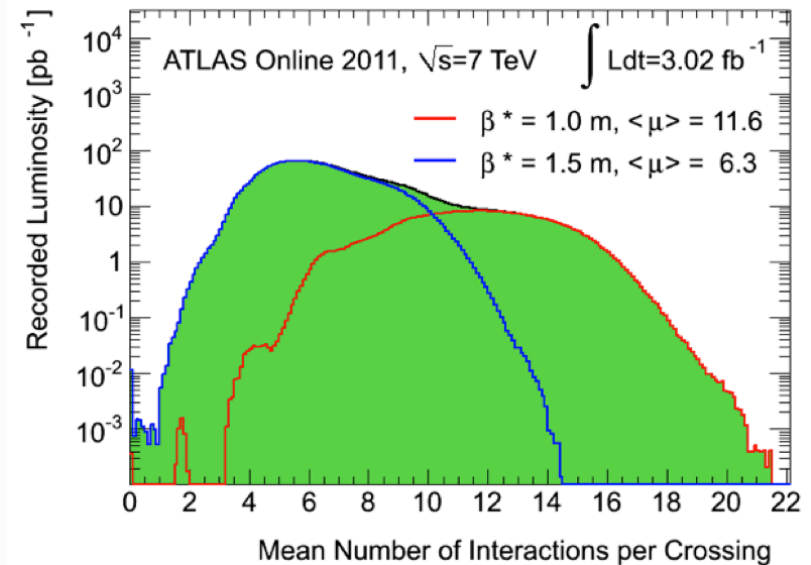


In a realistic set-up underlying event (UE) and pile-up (PU) from multiple collisions produce many soft particles which can ‘contaminate’ the hard jet



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## Consequence of these beam parameters

 $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  with  $N_{\text{vtx}} = 20$ 

Very large Pile-Up: impact on trigger rates, computing/reconstruction time, reconstruction efficiencies (eg. isolation), jet energy reconstruction, ...

# Hard jets and background

**How are the hard jets  
modified by the background?**

**Susceptibility**

(how much bkgd gets picked up)

**Jet areas**

**Resiliency**

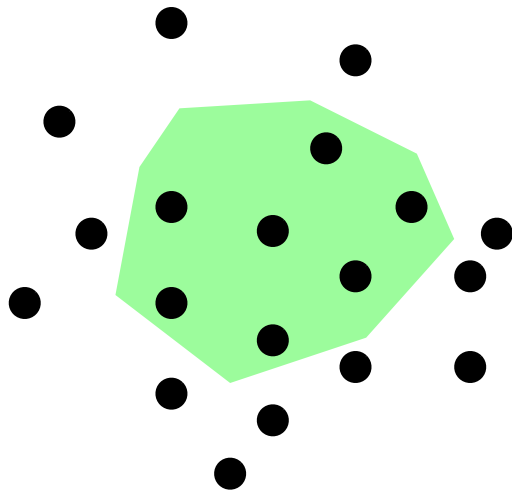
(how much the original jet changes)

**Backreaction**

# Resiliency: backreaction

“How (much) a jet changes when immersed in a background”

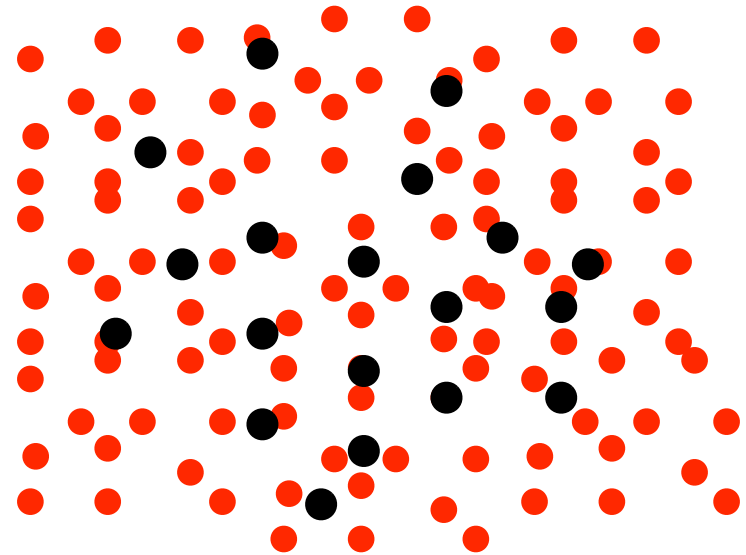
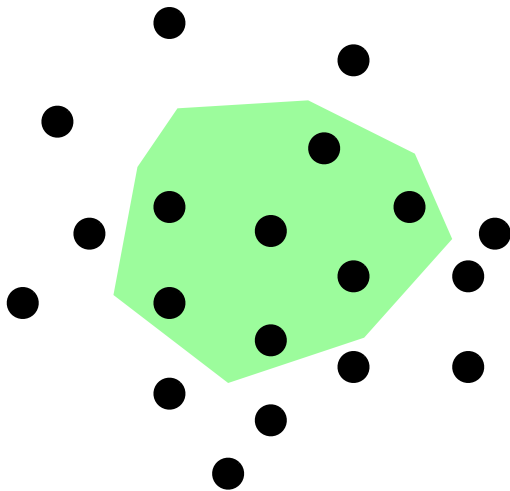
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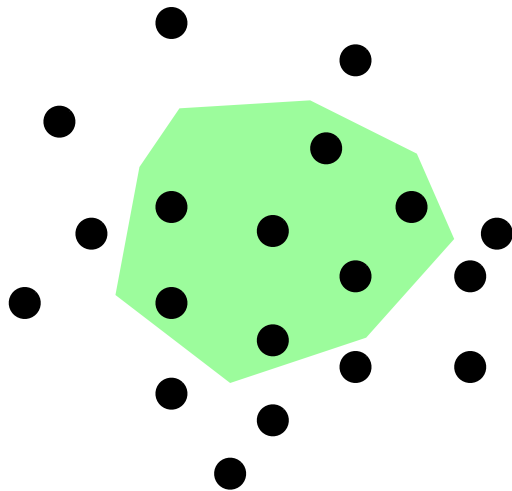
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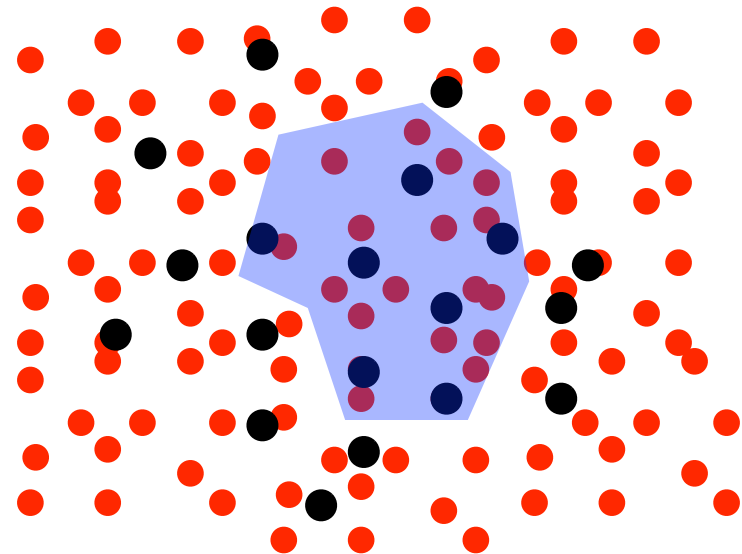
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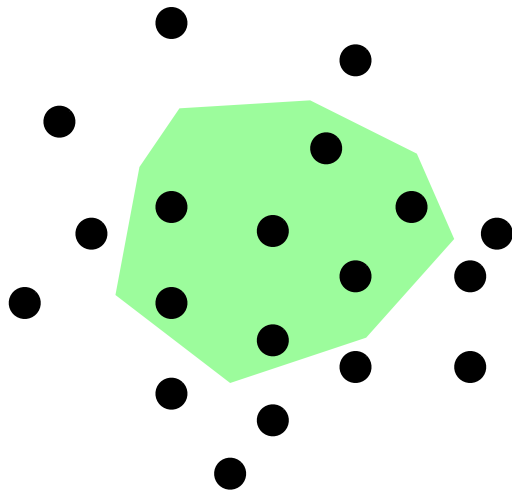
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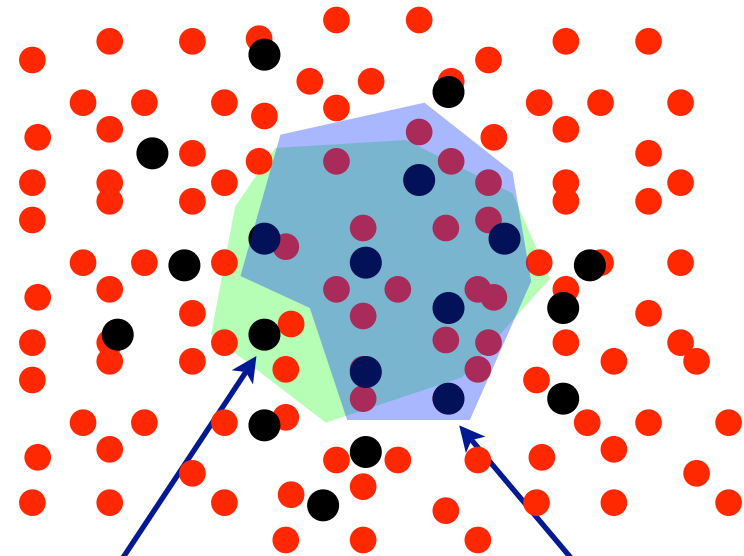
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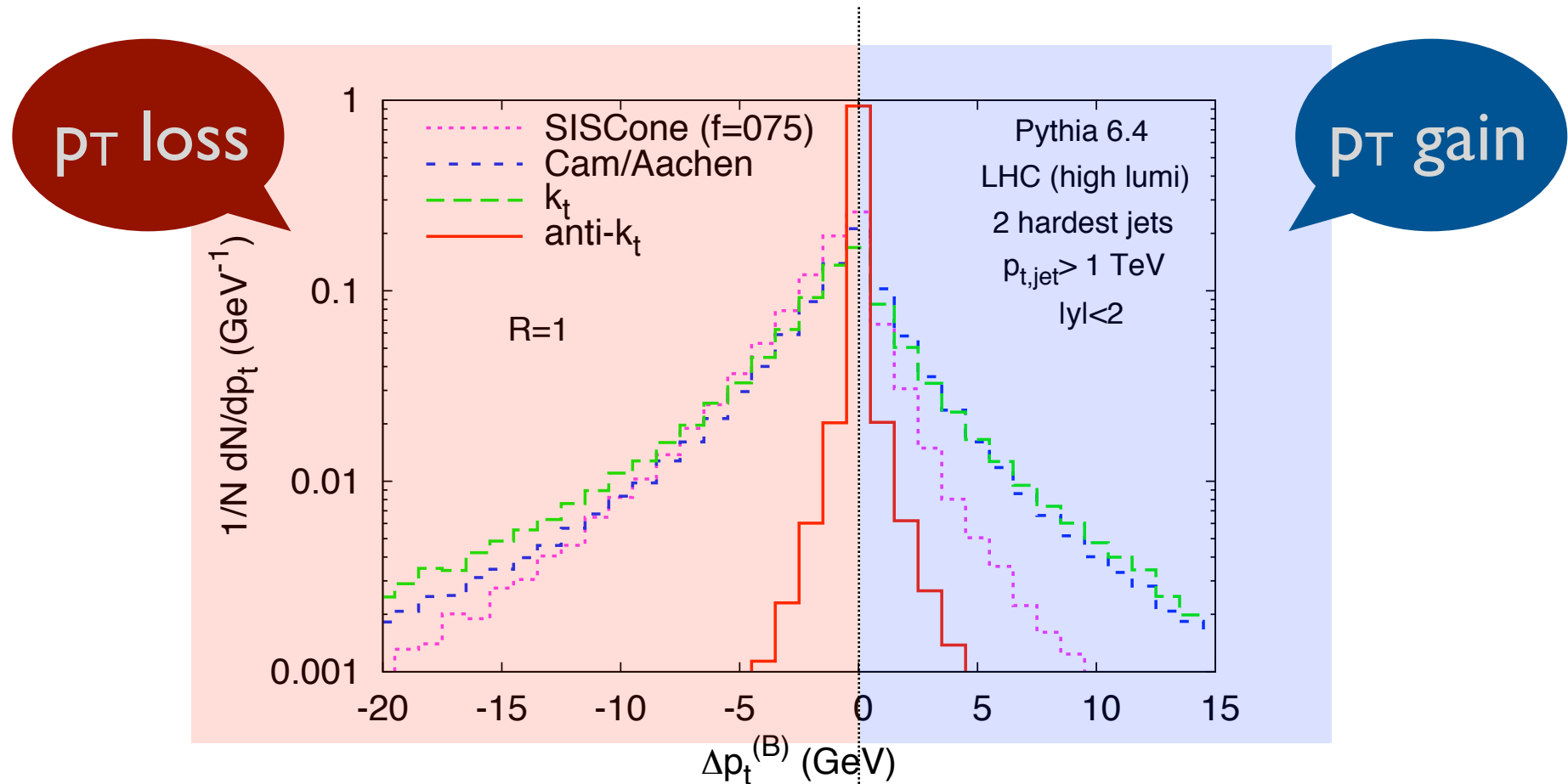
Backreaction **loss**

Backreaction **gain**



# Resiliency: backreaction

MC, Salam, Soyez, arXiv:0802.1188



Anti- $k_t$  jets are much more resilient to changes from background immersion

# The IRC safe algorithms

	Speed	Regularity	UE contamination	Backreaction	Hierarchical substructure
$k_t$	😊😊😊	☂	☂☂	☁☁	😊😊
Cambridge /Aachen	😊😊😊	☂	☂	☁☁	😊😊😊
anti- $k_t$	😊😊😊	😊😊	☁/😊	😊😊	✗
SISCone	😊	☁	😊😊	☁	✗

# Hard jets and background

MC, Salam, arXiv:0707.11378

MC, Salam, Soyez, arXiv:0802.1188

## Modifications of the hard jet

$$\Delta p_t = \rho A \pm (\sigma \sqrt{A} + \sigma_\rho A + \rho \sqrt{\langle A^2 \rangle - \langle A \rangle^2}) + \Delta p_t^{BR}$$

Diagram illustrating the components of the hard jet modification equation:

- Background transverse momentum density (per unit area)**:  $\rho A$
- background**:  $\sigma \sqrt{A} + \sigma_\rho A + \rho \sqrt{\langle A^2 \rangle - \langle A \rangle^2}$
- 'susceptibility'**:  $\sigma$
- back-reaction**:  $\Delta p_t^{BR}$
- 'resiliency'**:  $\rho$

# Background determination

Jet algorithms like  $k_t$  or Cambridge/Aachen allow one to determine  
*on an event-by-event basis*

the “**typical**” **level of transverse momentum density**  
of a **roughly uniform background noise**:

$$\rho \equiv \text{median}_{\text{(over a single event)}} \left[ \left\{ \frac{p_t^{jet}}{\text{Area}_{jet}} \right\} \right]$$

MC, Salam, 2007

This  $\rho$  value can, in turn, be used to characterise the UE

Since this measurement is done with the jets, it is alternative/complementary  
to the usual analyses done using charged tracks (à la R. Field)

# Background subtraction

Once  $\rho$  has been measured, it can be used to **correct** the transverse momentum of the hard jets:

$$p_T^{\text{hard jet, corrected}} = p_T^{\text{hard jet, raw}} - \rho \times \text{Area}_{\text{hard jet}}$$

$\rho$  being measured on an **event-by-event** basis, and each jet subtracted **individually**, this procedure will remove many fluctuations and generally **improve the resolution** of, say, a mass peak

$$\Delta p_t = \rho A \pm (\sigma \sqrt{A} + \cancel{\sigma_\rho A} + \cancel{\rho \sqrt{\langle A^2 \rangle - \langle A \rangle^2}}) + \Delta p_t^{BR}$$

NB. Also be(a)ware of **backreaction**

# Example of pileup subtraction

Let's discover a leptophobic  $Z'$  and measure its mass:

