

# The Case for Jet Substructure

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## Maximize **discovery** potential of LHC

Boosted Objects: [JDT, Ken Van Tilburg, 2010, 2011]

SUSY Implications: [JDT, Zachary Thomas, 2011]

Quark/Gluon Discrimination: [Andrew Larkoski, Gavin Salam, JDT, 2013]

Jet Counting: [Daniele Bertolini, Tucker Chan, JDT, 2013]

Pileup Mitigation: [Andrew Larkoski, Simone Marzani, Gregory Soyez, JDT, 2014]

Plus: TJ Wilkason, Frank Tackmann

## Enhance **understanding** of QCD

Boosted Color Singlets: [Ilya Feige, Matthew Schwartz, Iain Stewart, JDT, 2012]

Hadronization Effects: [Vicent Mateu, Iain Stewart, JDT, 2012]

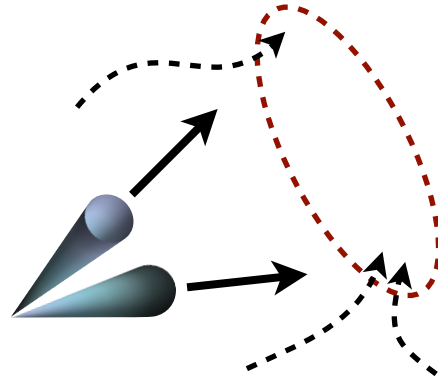
Ratio Observables: [Andrew Larkoski, JDT, 2013]

Track-Based Observables: [Hsi-Ming Chang, Massimiliano Procura, JDT, Wouter Waalewijn, 2013]

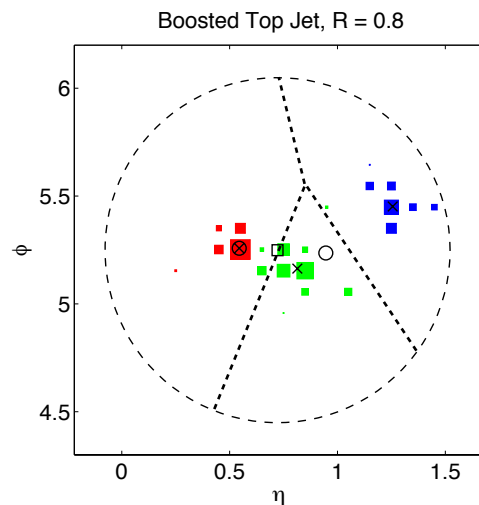
Recoil-Free Observables: [Andrew Larkoski, Duff Neill, JDT, 2014]

Plus: Dan Kolodrubetz

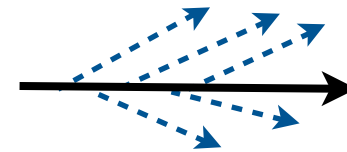
# Outline



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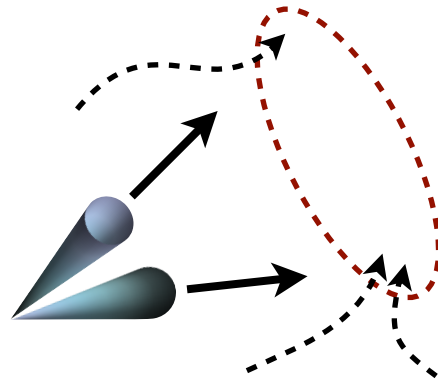


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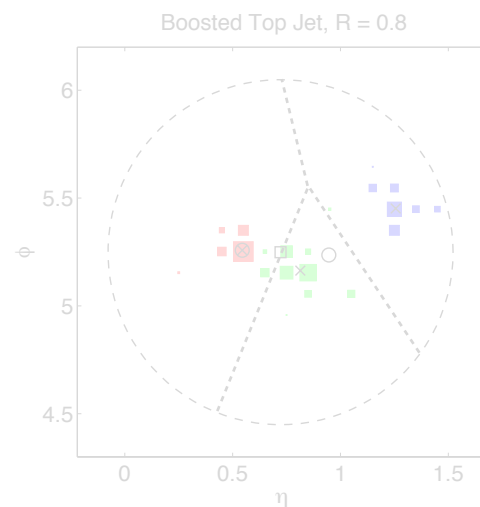


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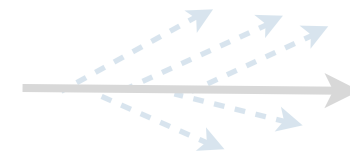
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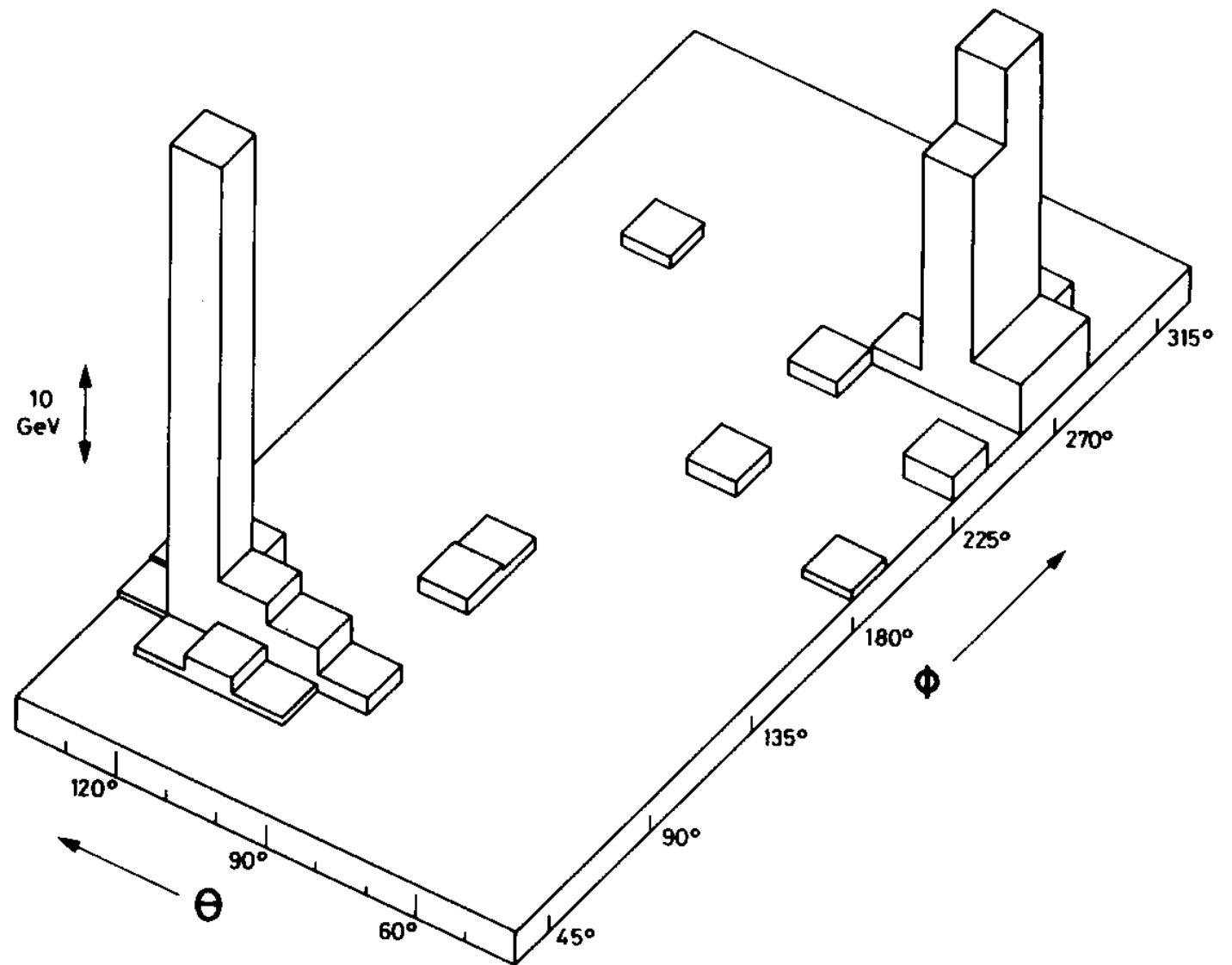
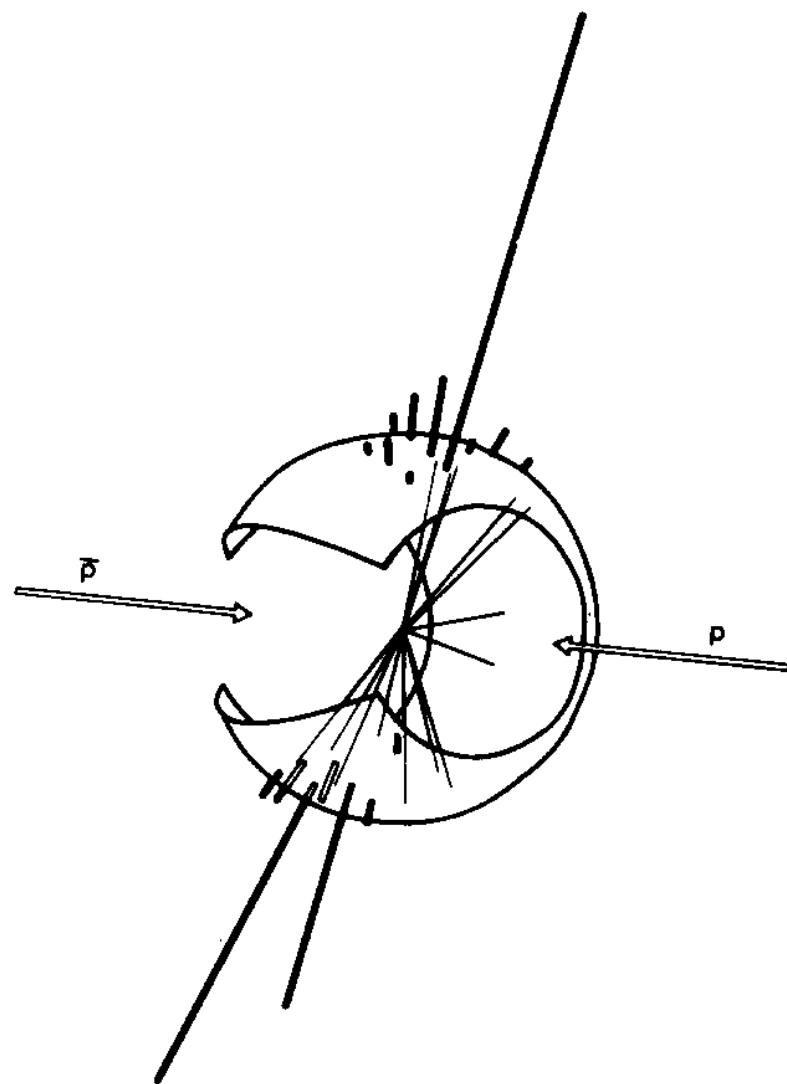
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# UA2 Jet Production

1982

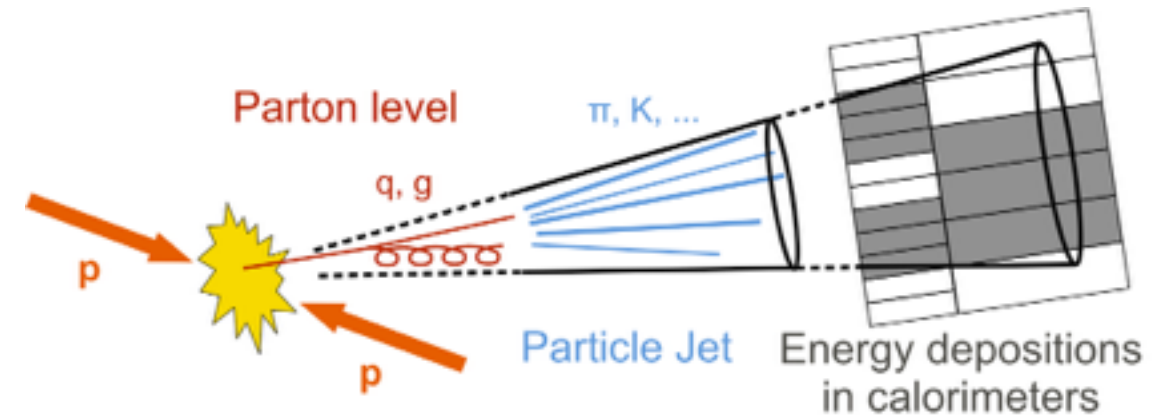


Almost 40 years of jet physics!

[see also SPEAR, 1975; PETRA, 1979]

# A QCD Renaissance!

c. 2008–present

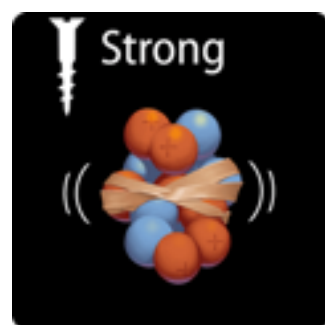


**LHC** (vs. Tevatron)

Higher Energy ( $\approx \times 3.5-7$ )

Higher Luminosity ( $\approx \times 10-20$ )

**Finer Segmentation** ( $\approx \times 5$ )



## Theoretical Progress

New Jet Algorithms (esp. anti- $k_T$ )

Loop/Leg/Log Explosion

**Jet Substructure**

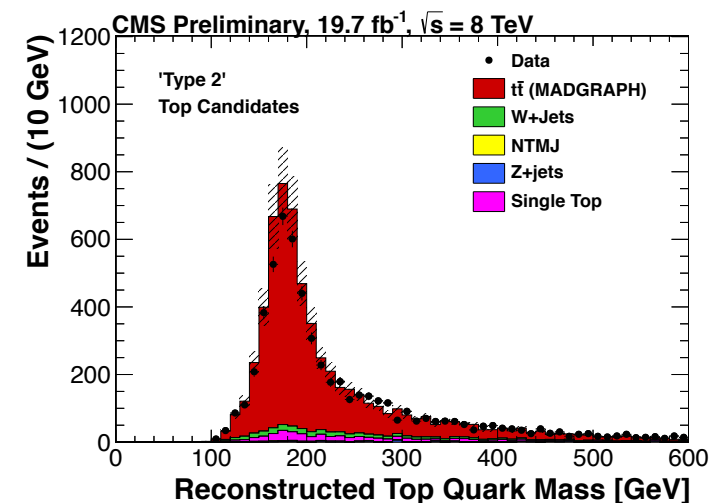
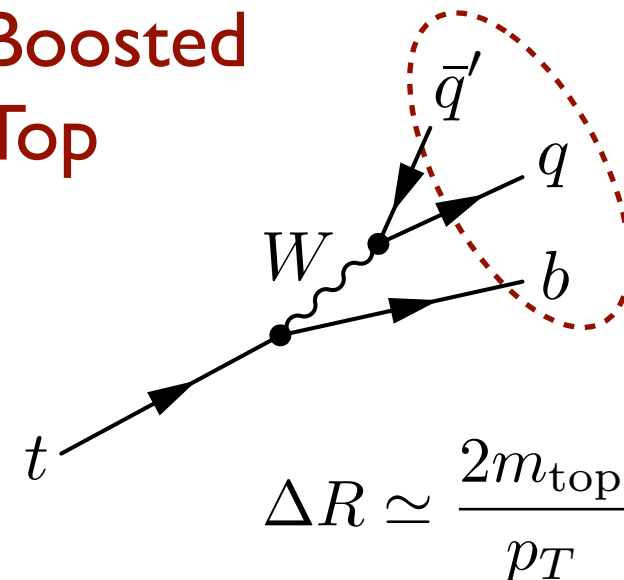
[Cacciari, Salam, Soyez, 2008]

# Jets or Jet Substructure?

Jet 3 :  
pt 47.8 GeV/c,  
b-tag discriminant 4.2

Jet 1 : Top Tagging  
pt 589.1 GeV/c,  
3 subjets,  
mass = 186.7 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>,  
minMass = 87.2 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>

Boosted  
Top

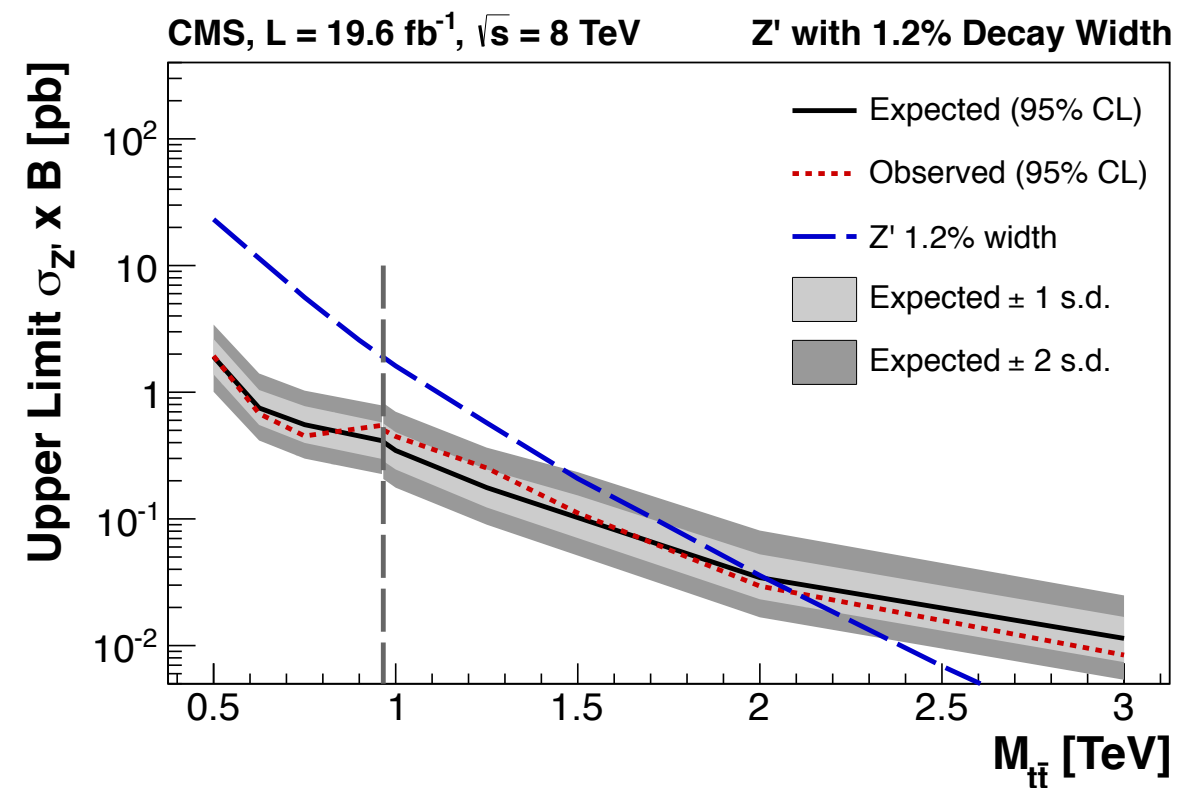
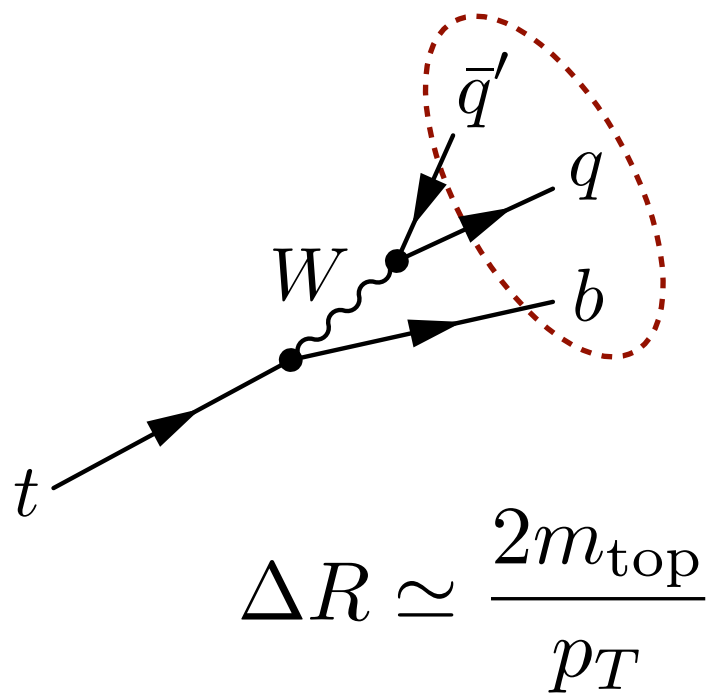
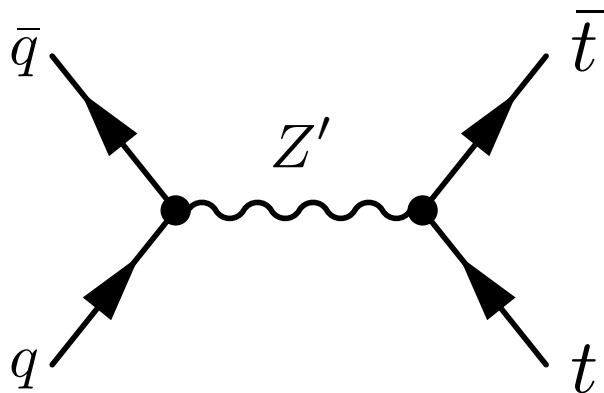


[CMS EXO-11-006, JME-13-007]

[Using Kaplan, Rehermann, Schwartz, Tweedie, 2008]

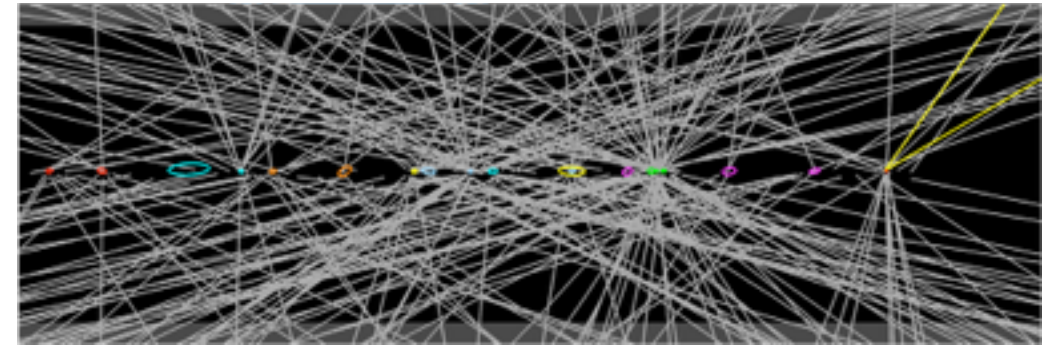
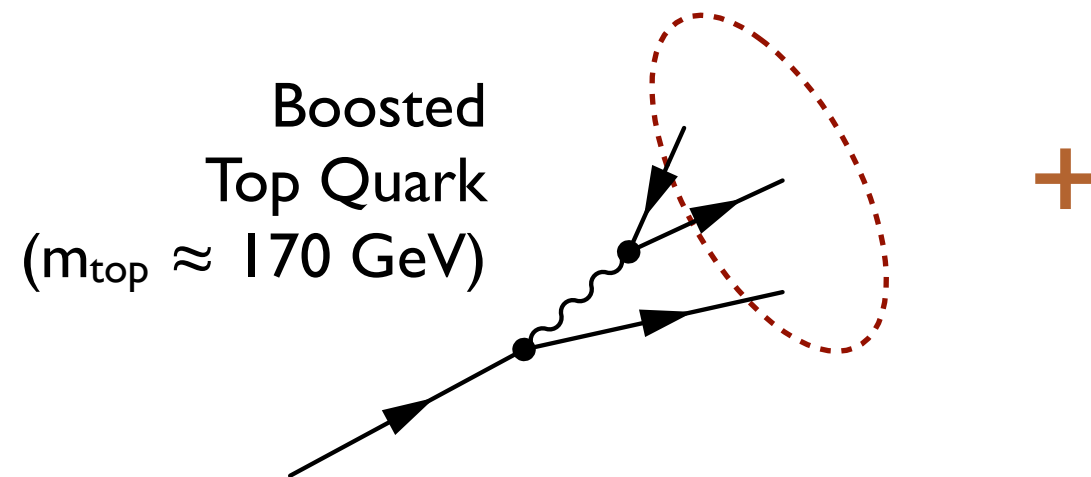
[Using Ellis, Vermilion, Walsh, 2010]

# High Energy: Boosted Regime is Inevitable



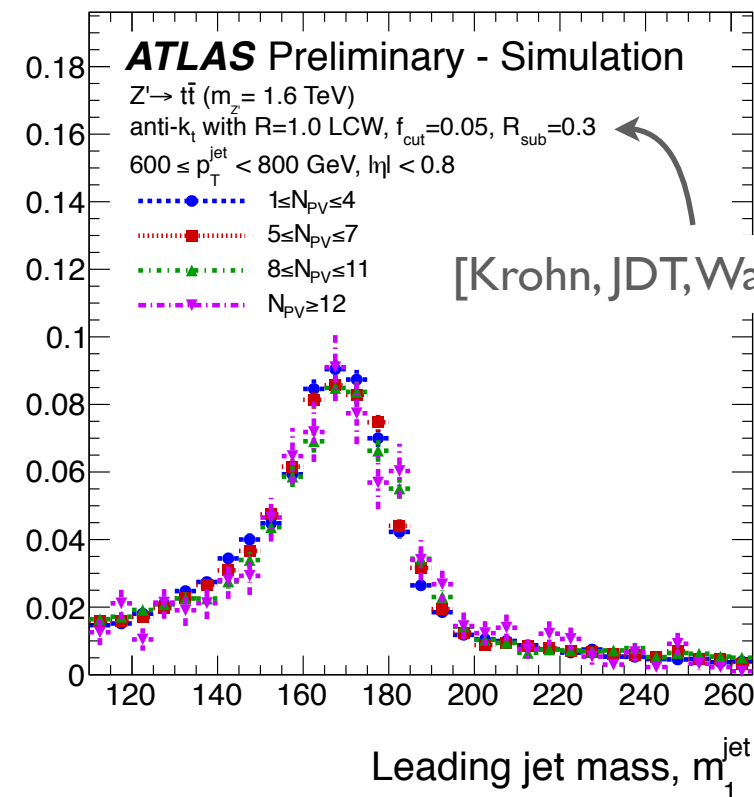
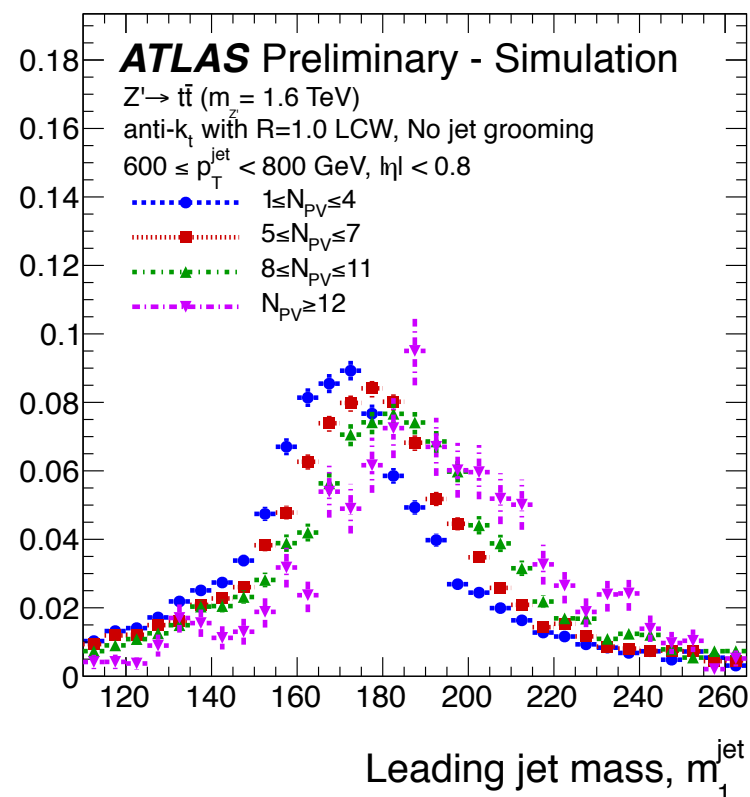
[CMS B2G-12-006]

# High Luminosity: Pileup is Inevitable



Secondary Collision Debris

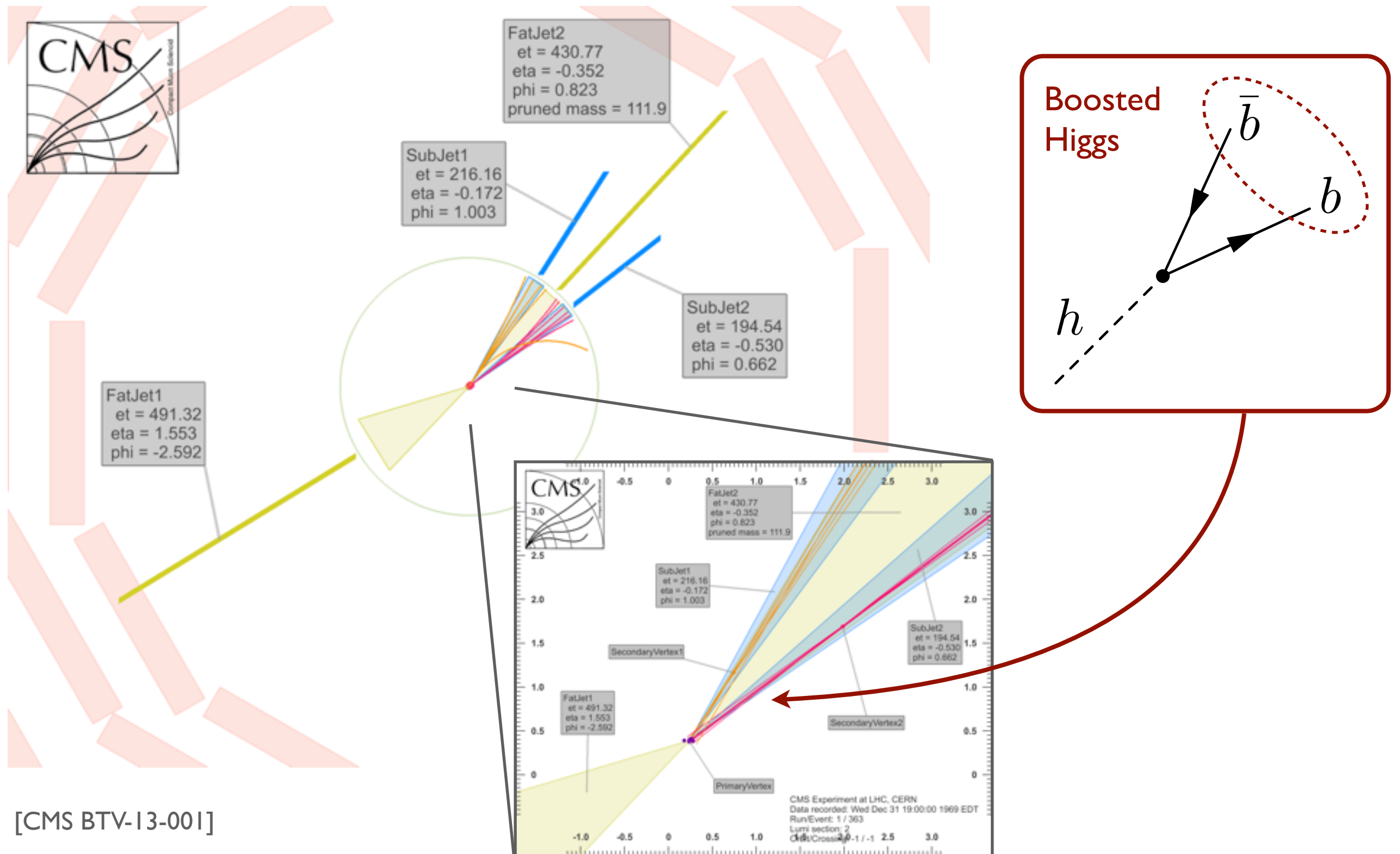
[ATLAS CONF-2012-066]



[Krohn, JDT, Wang, 2009]



# Finer Segmentation: Cleverness is Inevitable



[CMS BTV-13-001]

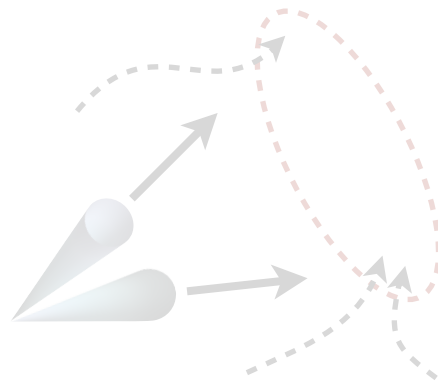
# The Case for Jet Substructure

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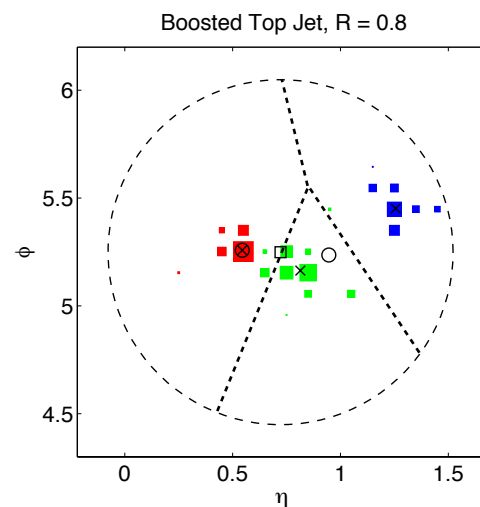
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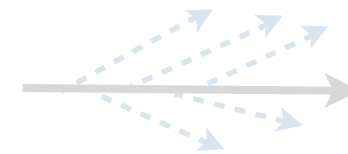
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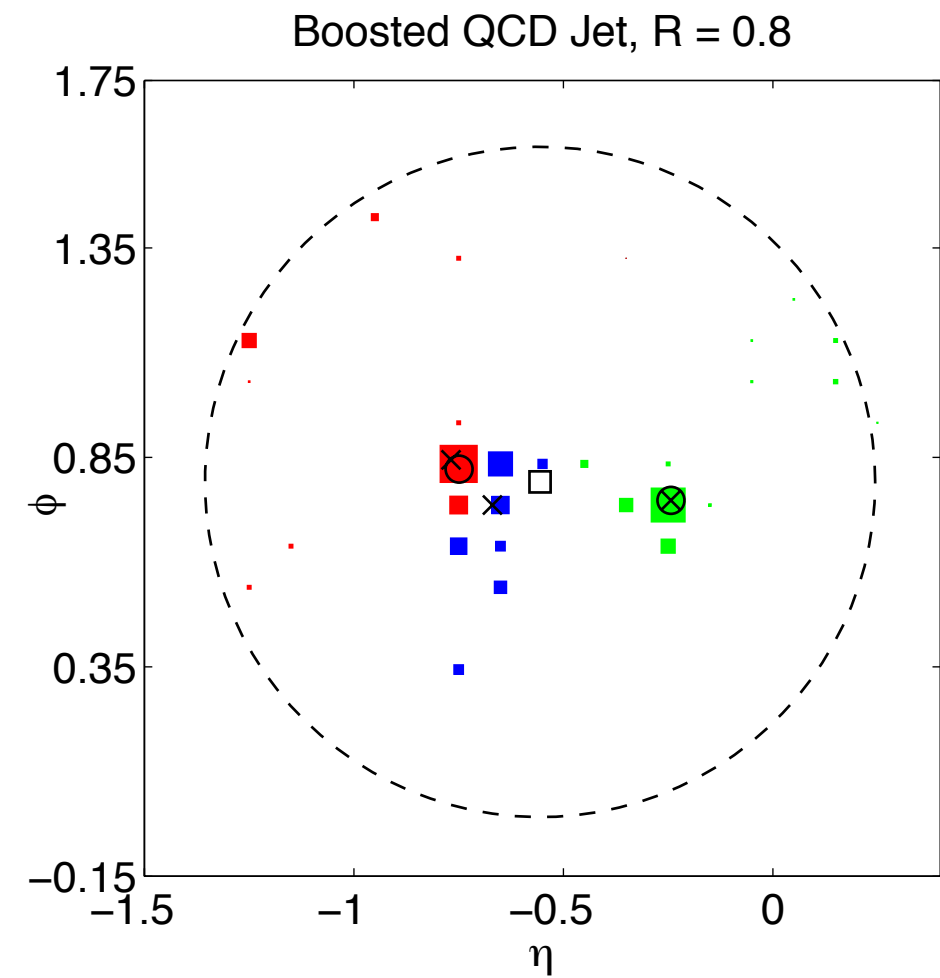
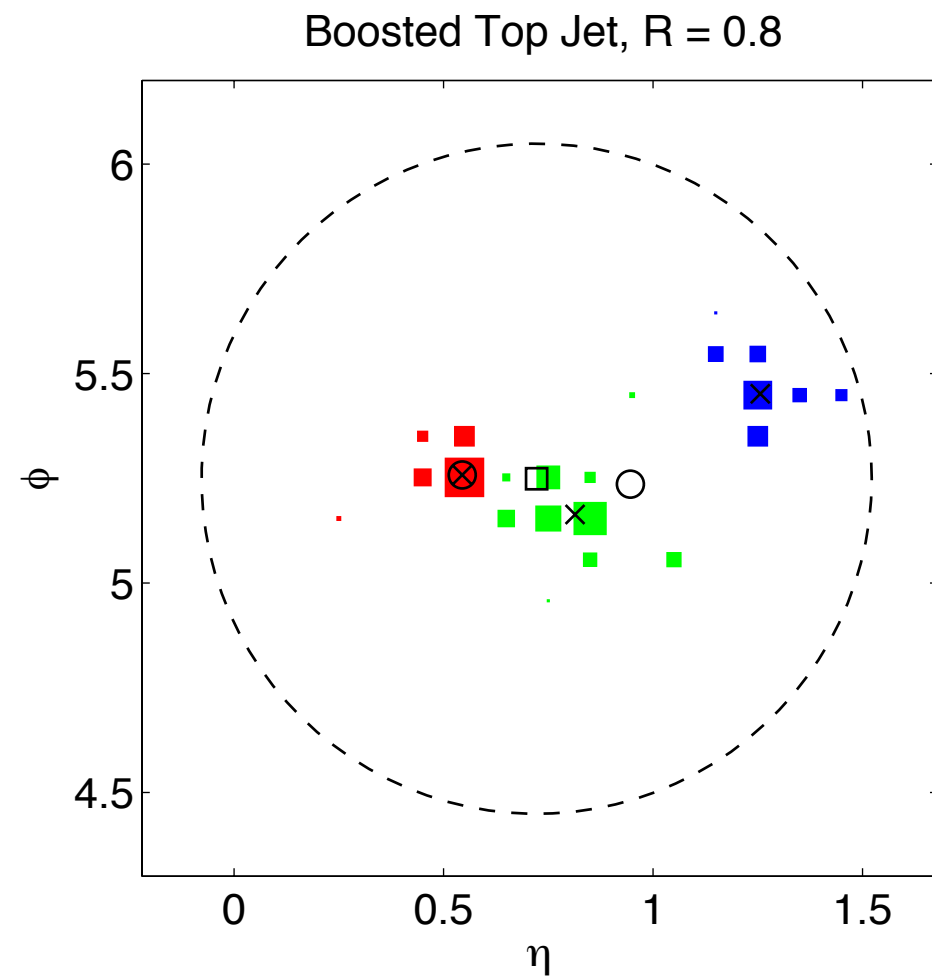


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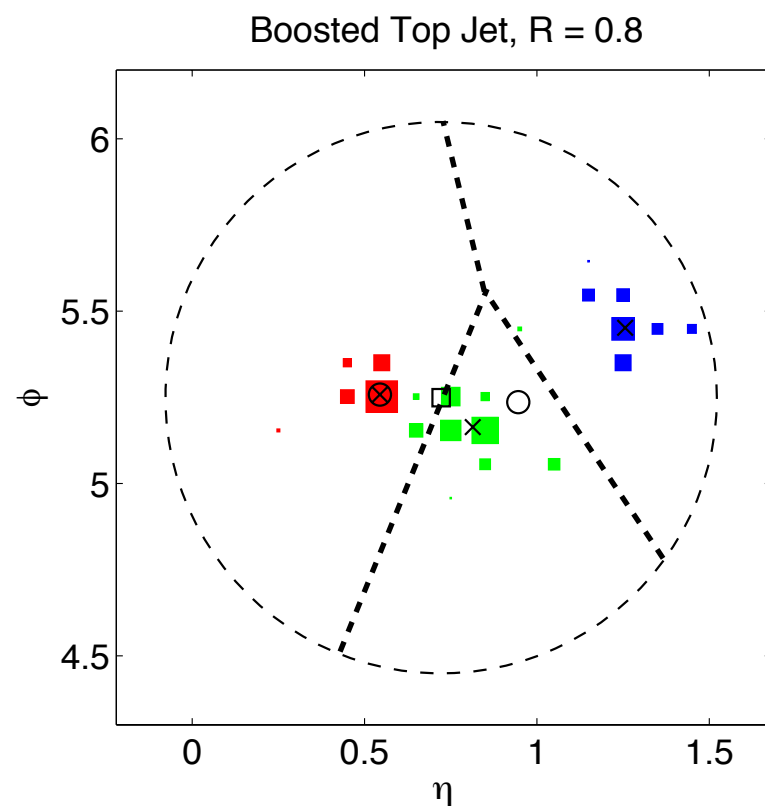


# Jet Substructure by Eye

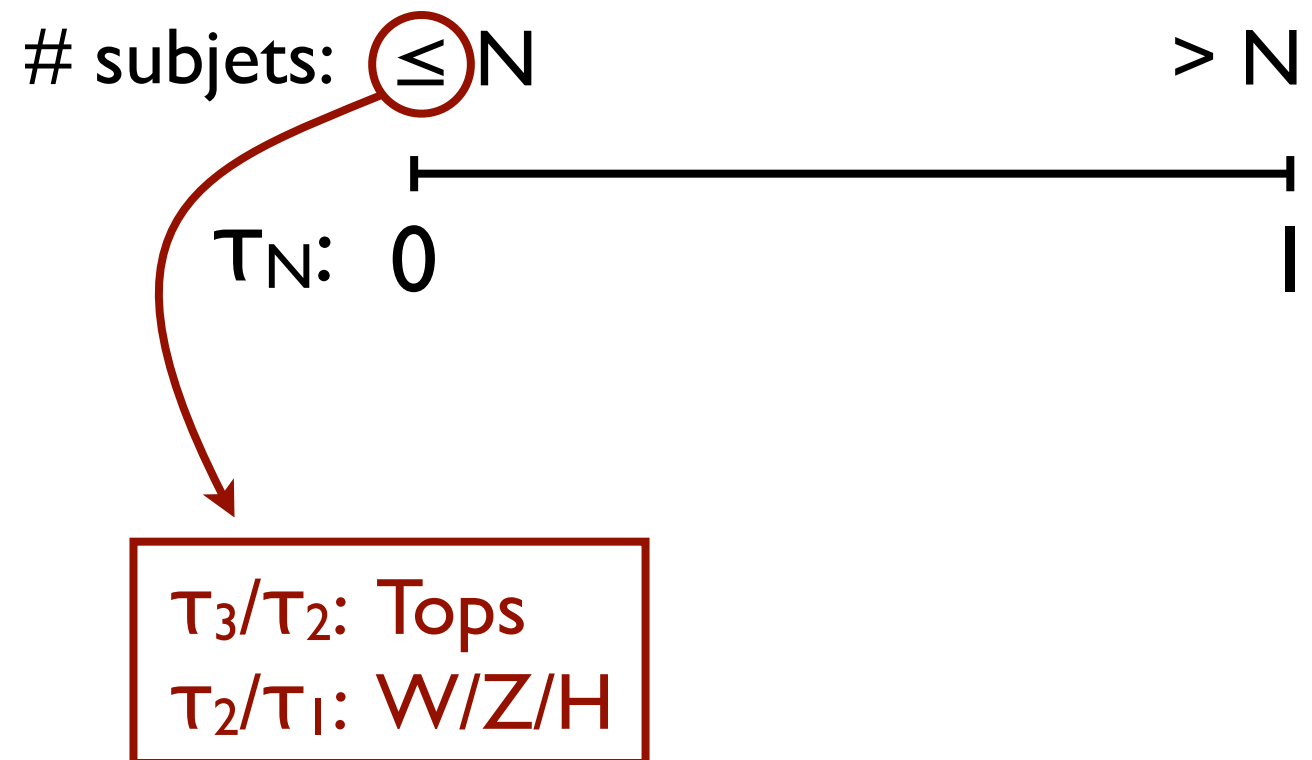


# Introducing N-subjettiness

$$\tau_N = \frac{1}{d_0} \sum_k p_{T,k} \min \{ \Delta R_{k,1}, \Delta R_{k,2}, \dots, \Delta R_{k,N} \}^\beta$$



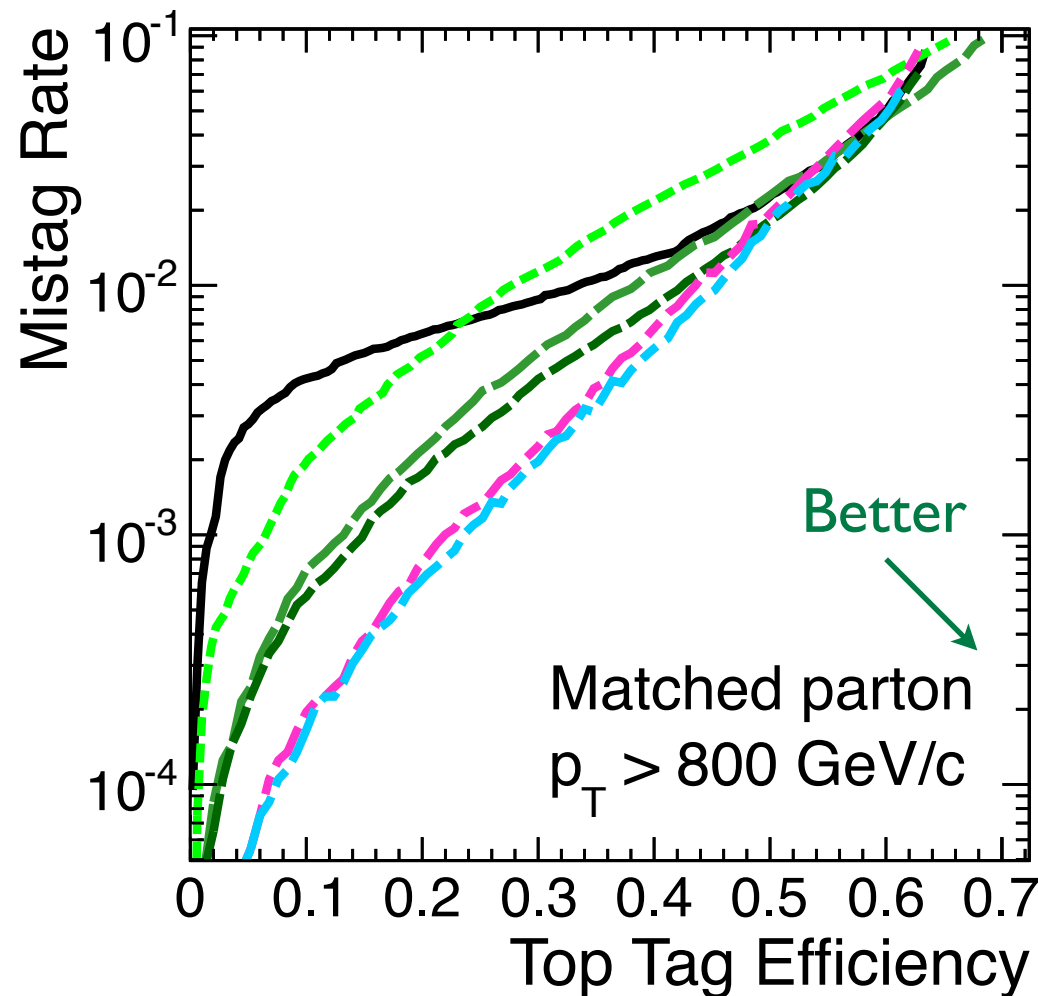
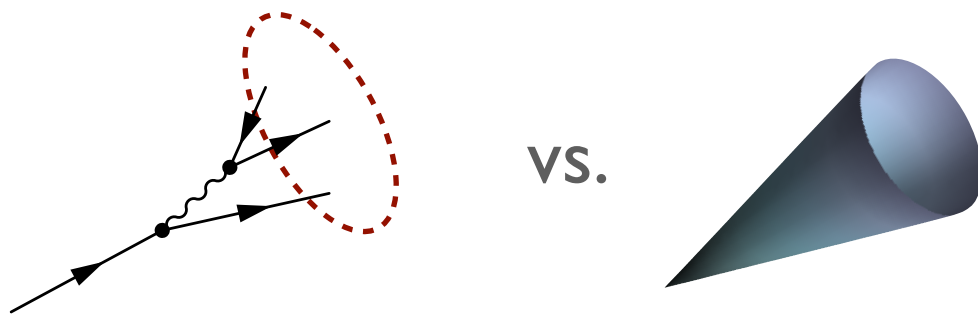
Subtlety: which axes?



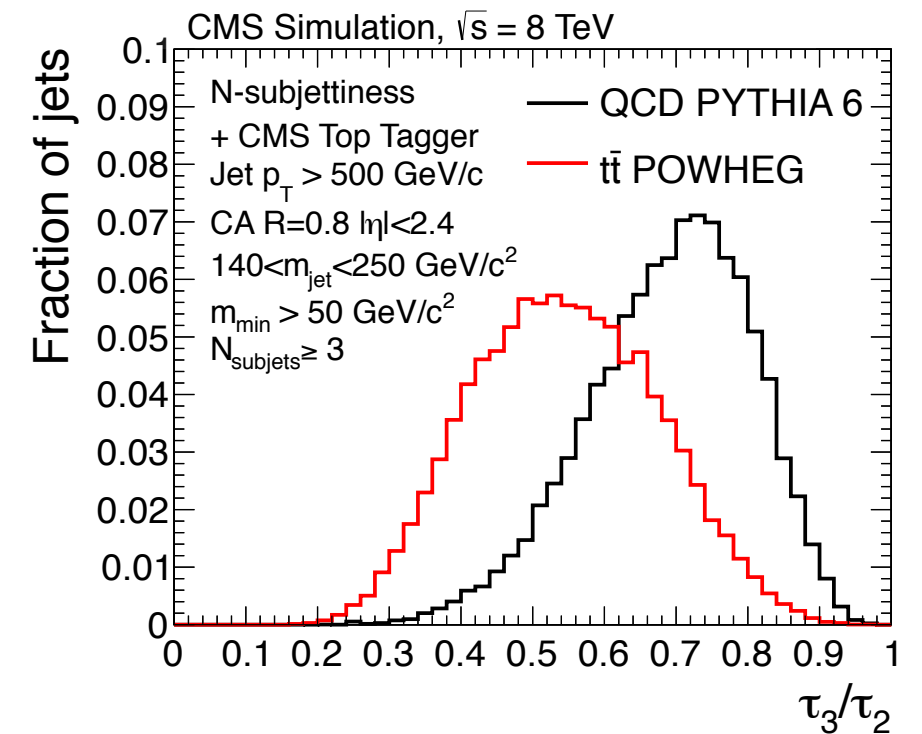
N-jettiness: [Stewart, Tackmann, Waalewijn, 2010]  
 N-subjettiness: [JDT, Van Tilburg, 2010, 2011]  
 See also: [Farhi, 1977; Brandt, Dahmen, 1979; Kim, 2010]

# 3 Prong Substructure

$\tau_3/\tau_2$  for Boosted Tops



- CMS Top Tagger
- - - N-subjettiness ratio  $\tau_3/\tau_2$
- - - mass +  $\tau_3/\tau_2$
- . - CMS +  $\tau_3/\tau_2$
- . - mass +  $\tau_3/\tau_2$  + sub. b-tag
- . - CMS +  $\tau_3/\tau_2$  + subjet b-tag

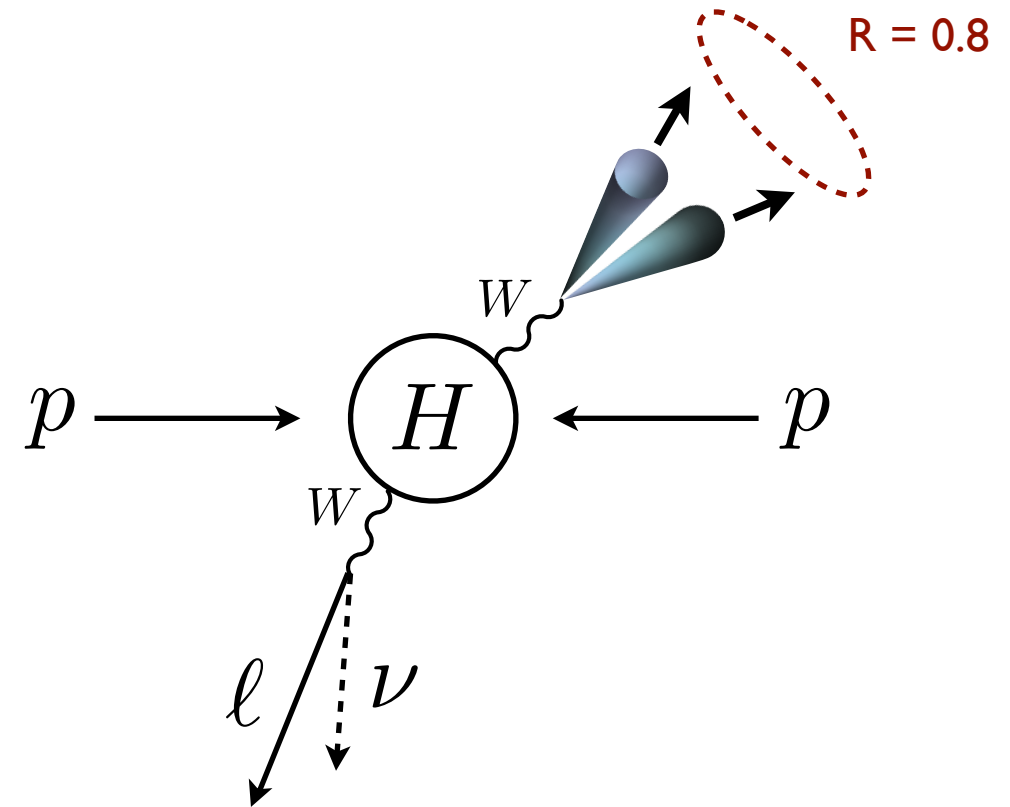


[CMS JME-13-007]

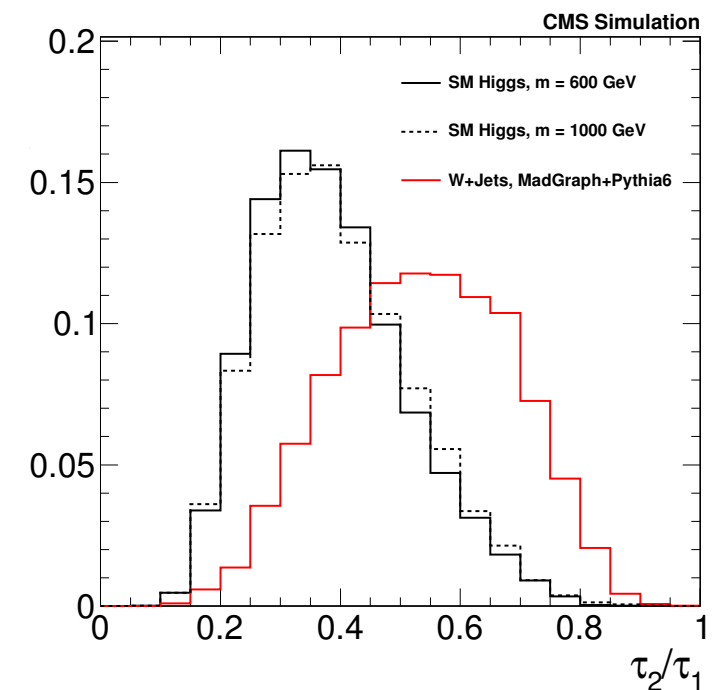
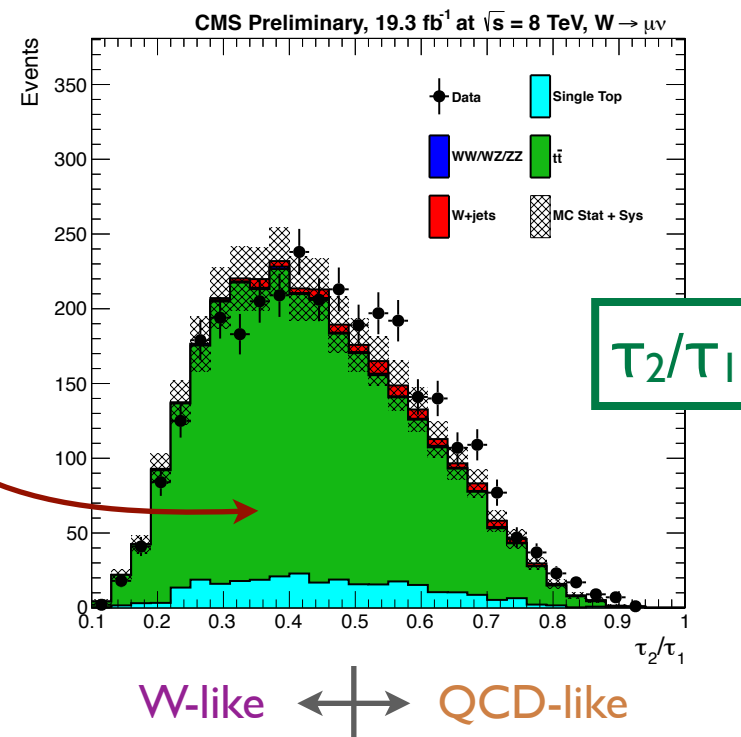
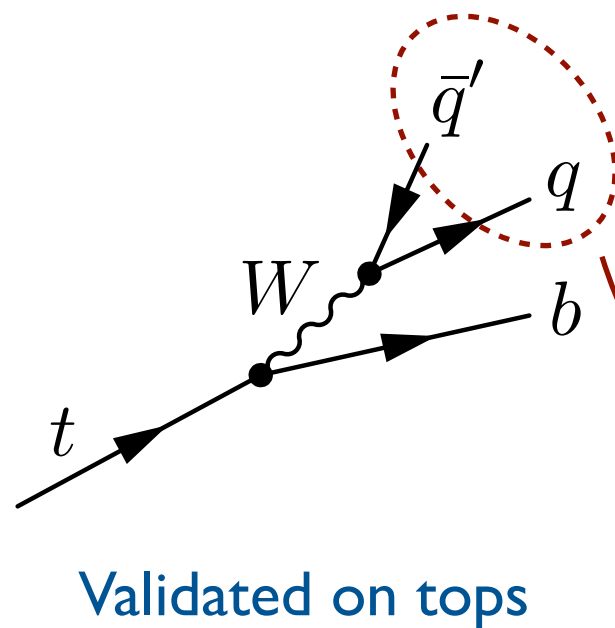
# 2 Prong Substructure

$\tau_2/\tau_1$  for High Mass Higgs

$$H \rightarrow \begin{cases} W \rightarrow q\bar{q}' & \text{(boosted)} \\ W \rightarrow \ell\nu \end{cases}$$



[CMS HIG-13-008]



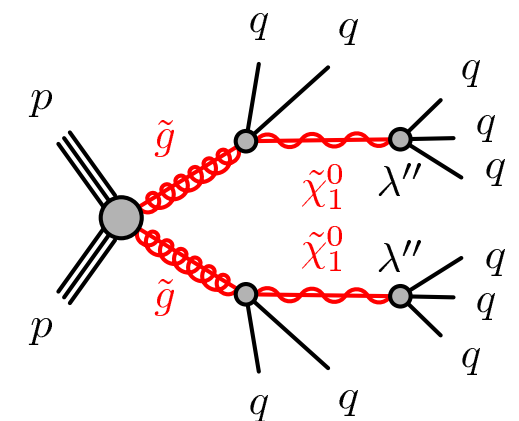
# Quark/Gluon Discrimination

## *The White Whale of Jet Substructure*

[see Gallicchio, Schwartz, 2011]

Often:

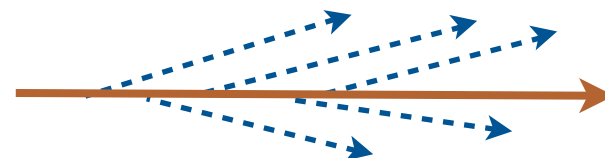
BSM Signals  $\Rightarrow$  Quarks  
SM Backgrounds  $\Rightarrow$  Gluons



[ATLAS CONF-2013-091]

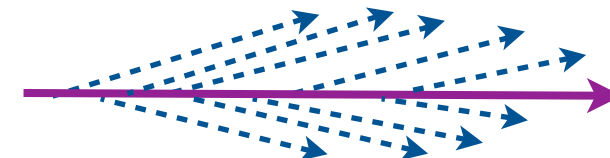
Jets, Simplified:

Quark Jet



$$C_F = 4/3$$

Gluon Jet



$$C_A = 3$$

Casimir Scaling:

Quark Efficiency = 50%

Gluon Mistag =  $(50\%)^{9/4} = 21\%$

# I Prong Substructure

$\tau_1$  for Quark/Gluon Discrimination?

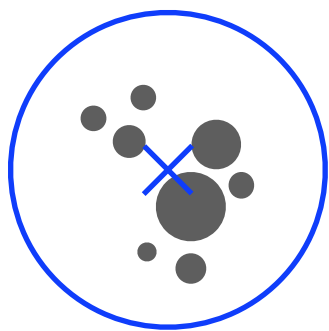
a.k.a. Angularities

$$e_\beta \simeq \sum_{i \in \text{jet}} z_i (\theta_i)^\beta$$

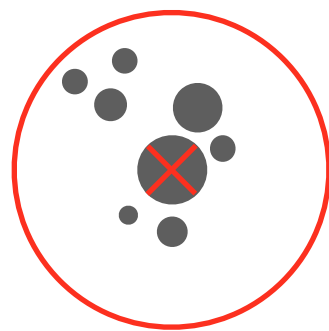
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[Berger, Kucs, Sterman, 2003;  
Ellis, Vermilion, Walsh, Hornig, Lee, 2010]

Jet Axis

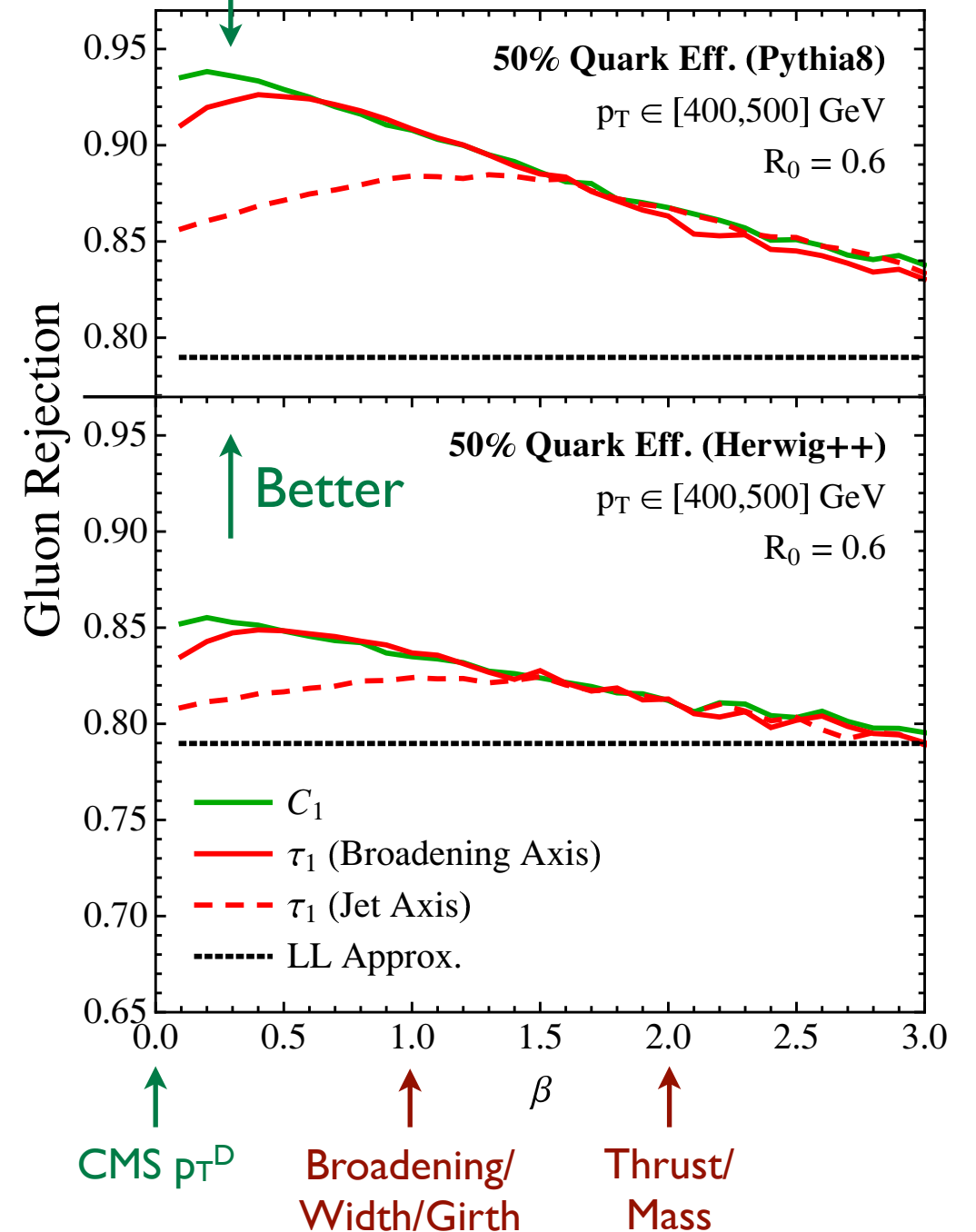


Broadening Axis



[Larkoski, Neill, JDT, 2014]

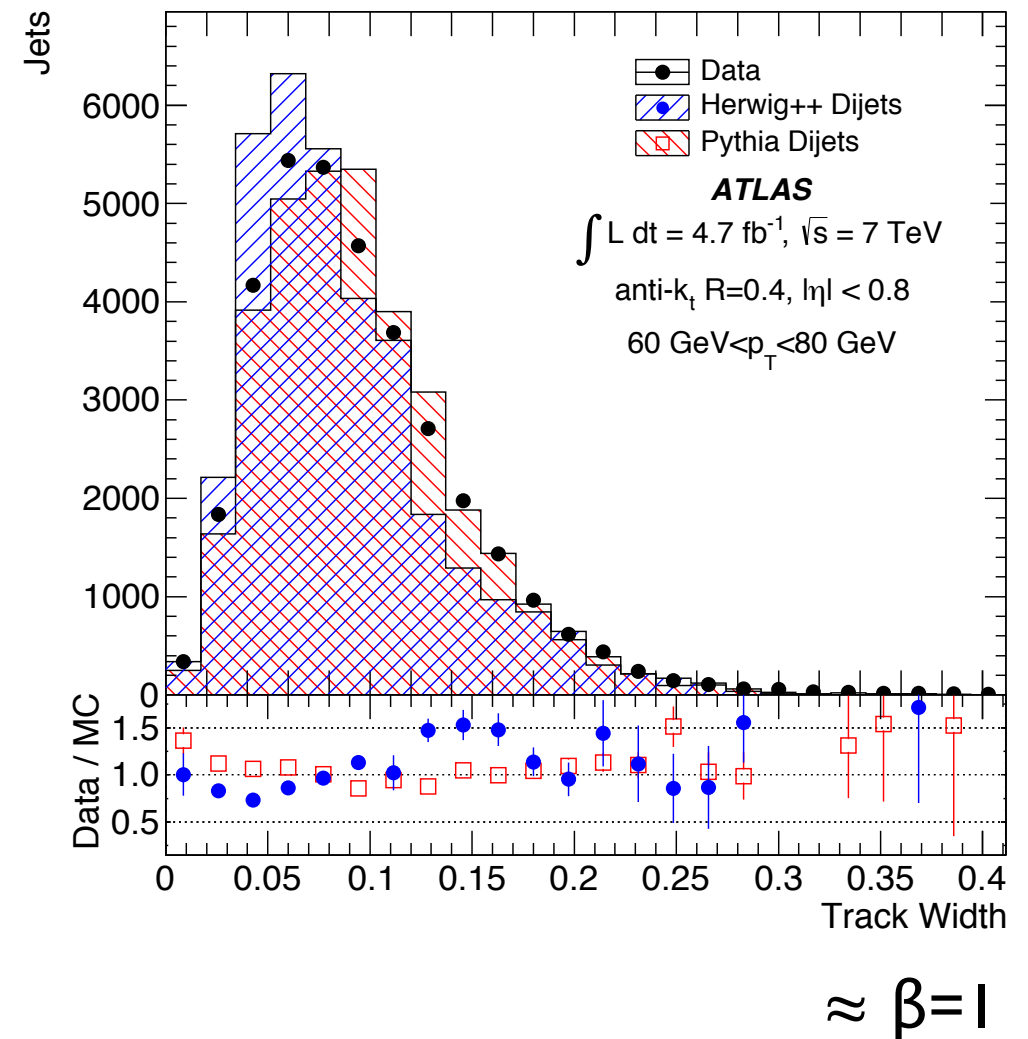
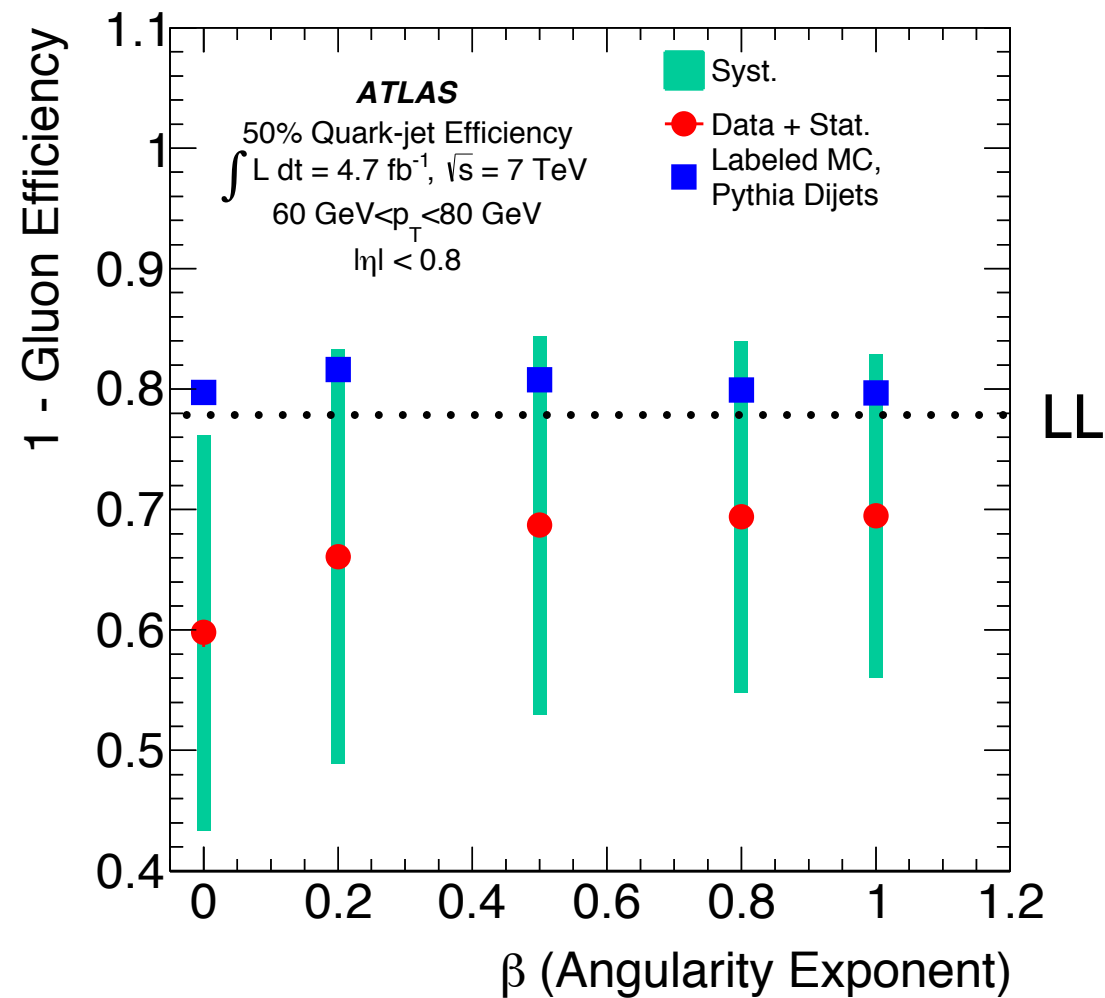
Energy Correlation Functions  
[Larkoski, Salam, JDT, 2013]



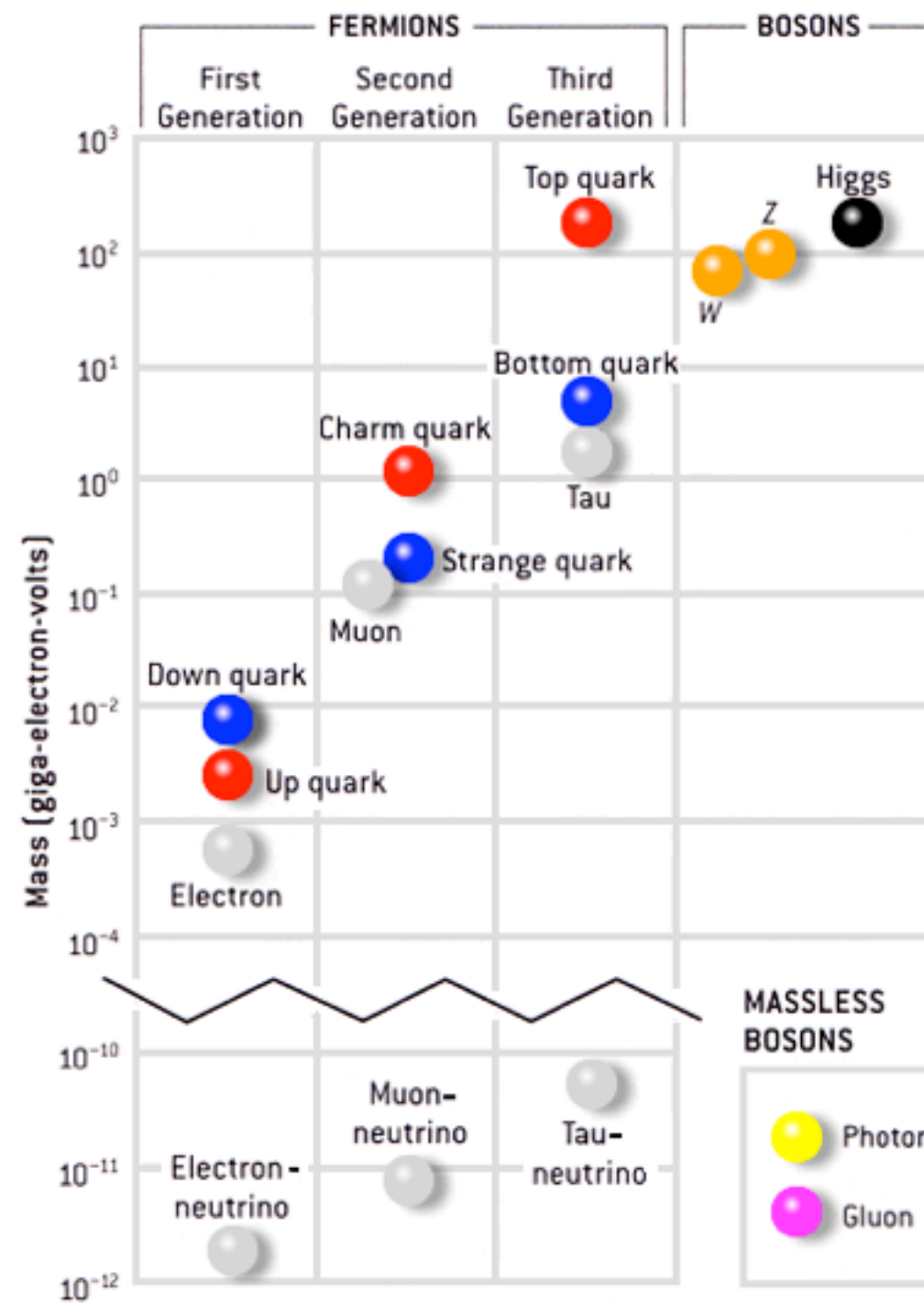
# Hot Off the Press!

## Quark/Gluon Discrimination at ATLAS

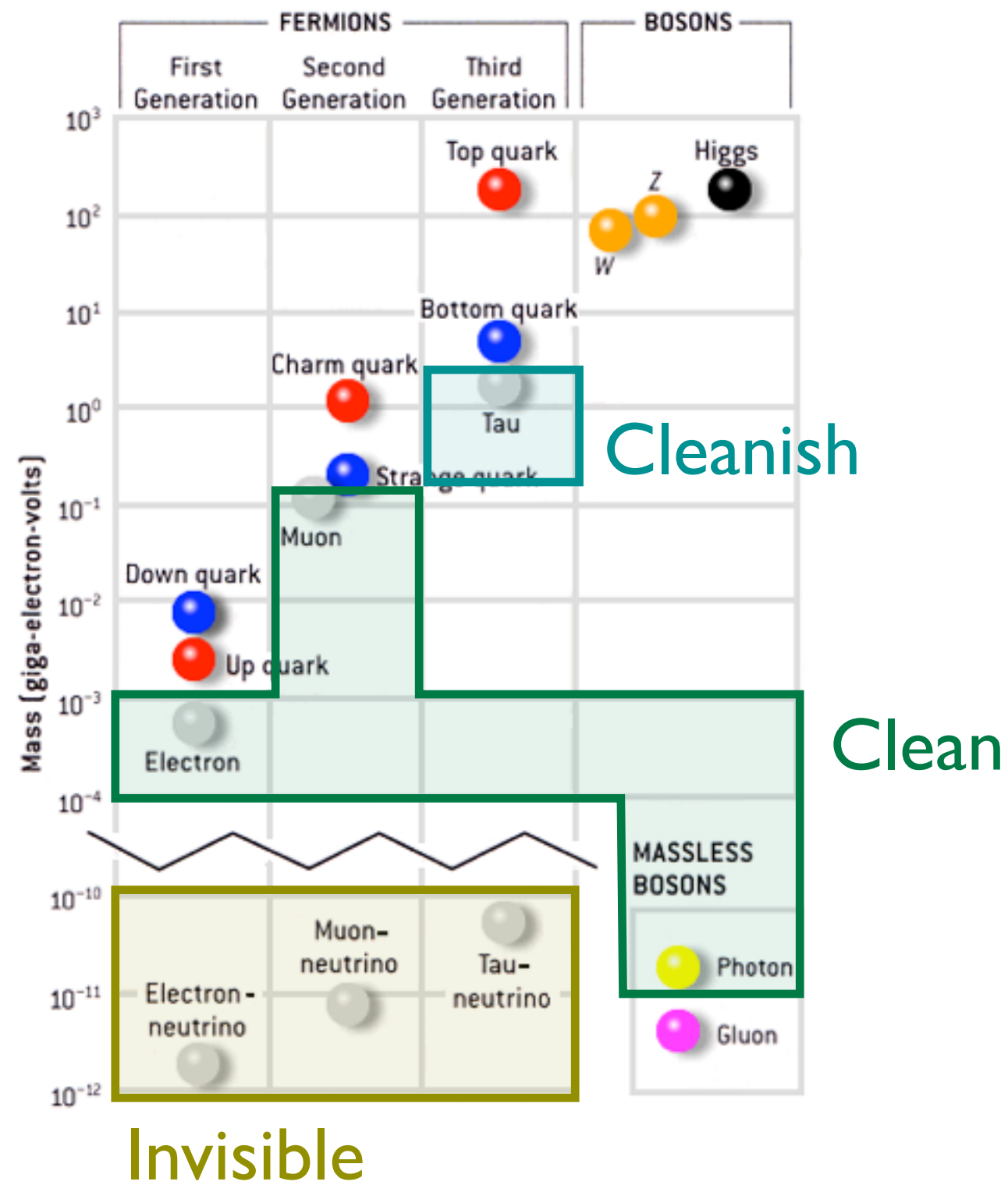
[ATLAS PERF-2013-02; 1405.6583]



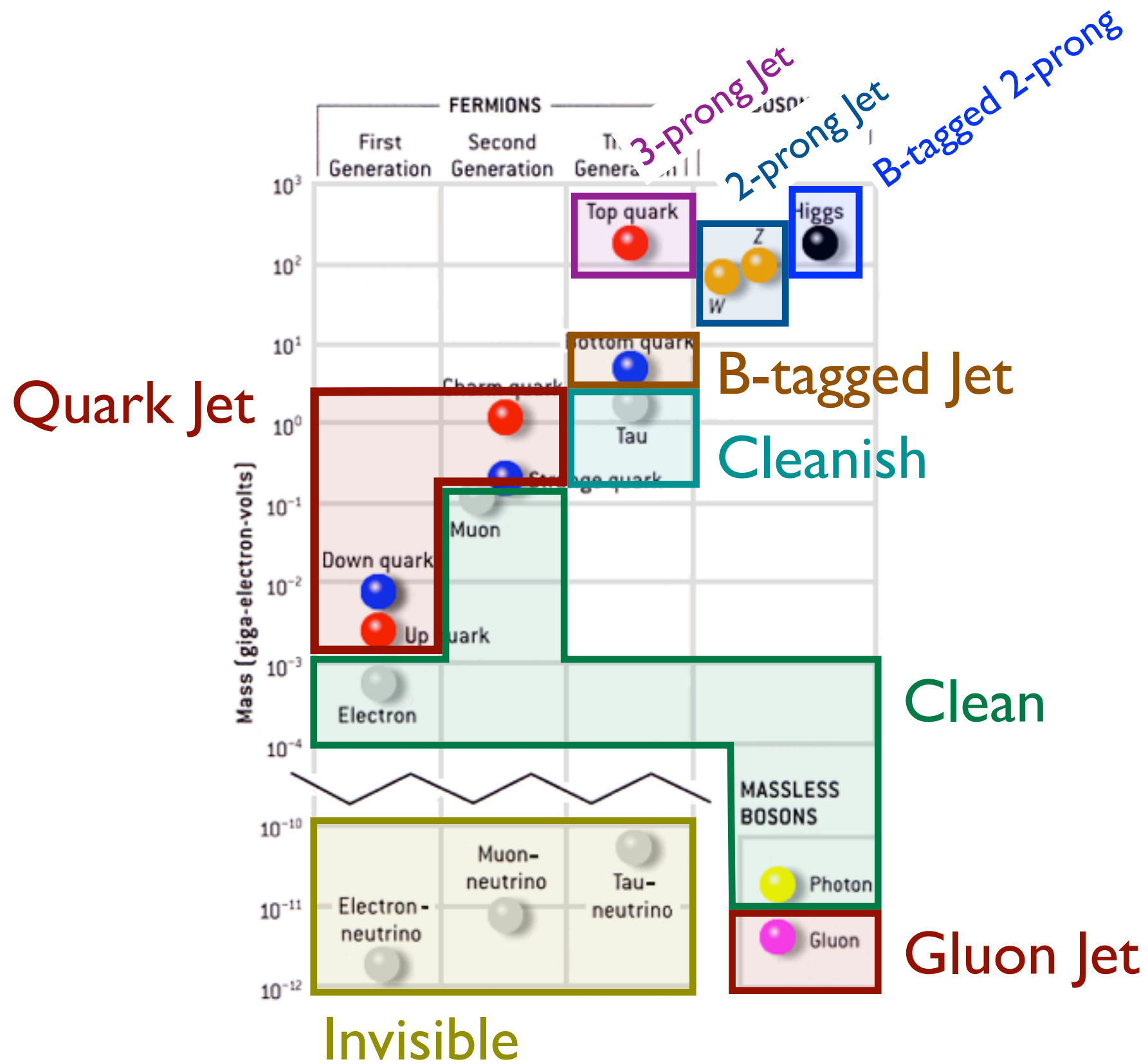
## Chasing the White Whale











*“Why does  $N$ -subjettiness work so well?”*

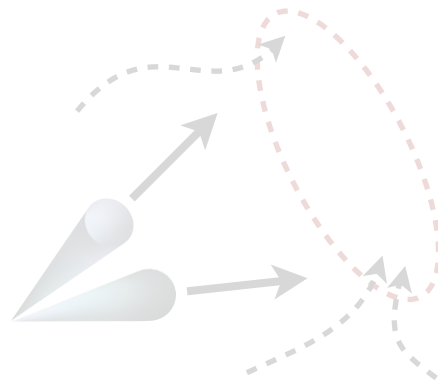
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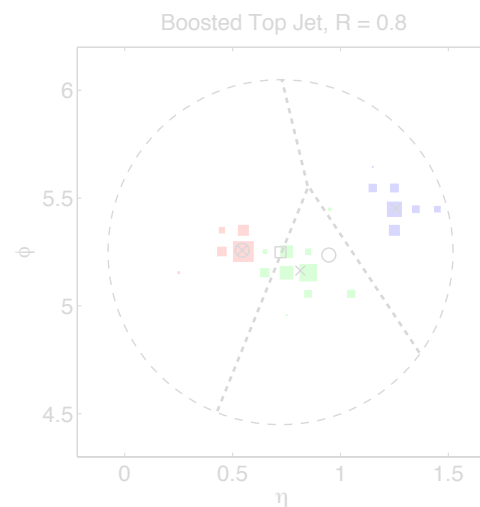
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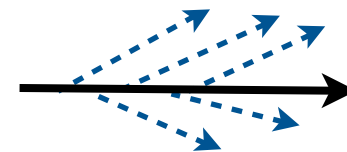
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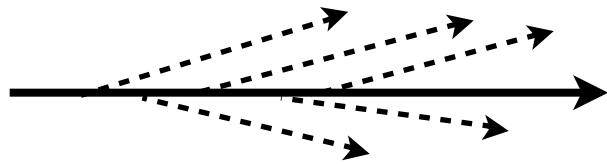


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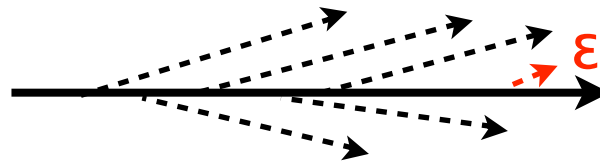
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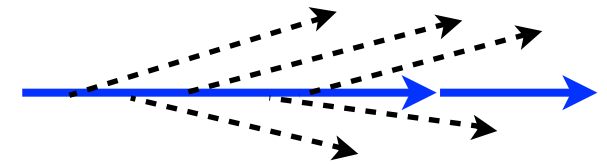
Original Jet



Infrared



Collinear



IRC Safe Observable: Insensitive to **IR** or **C** emissions

Lore:

Calculable in pQCD?

IRC Safe



IRC Unsafe

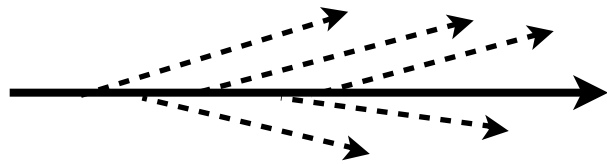


Controlled  $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$  Effects?

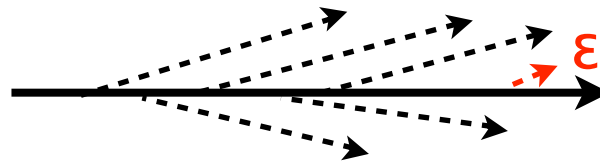


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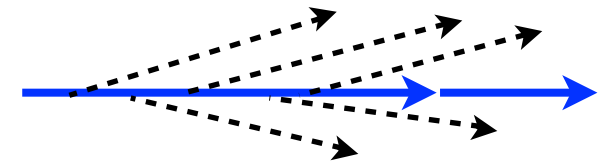
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IRC Safe



IRC Unsafe



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# Examples

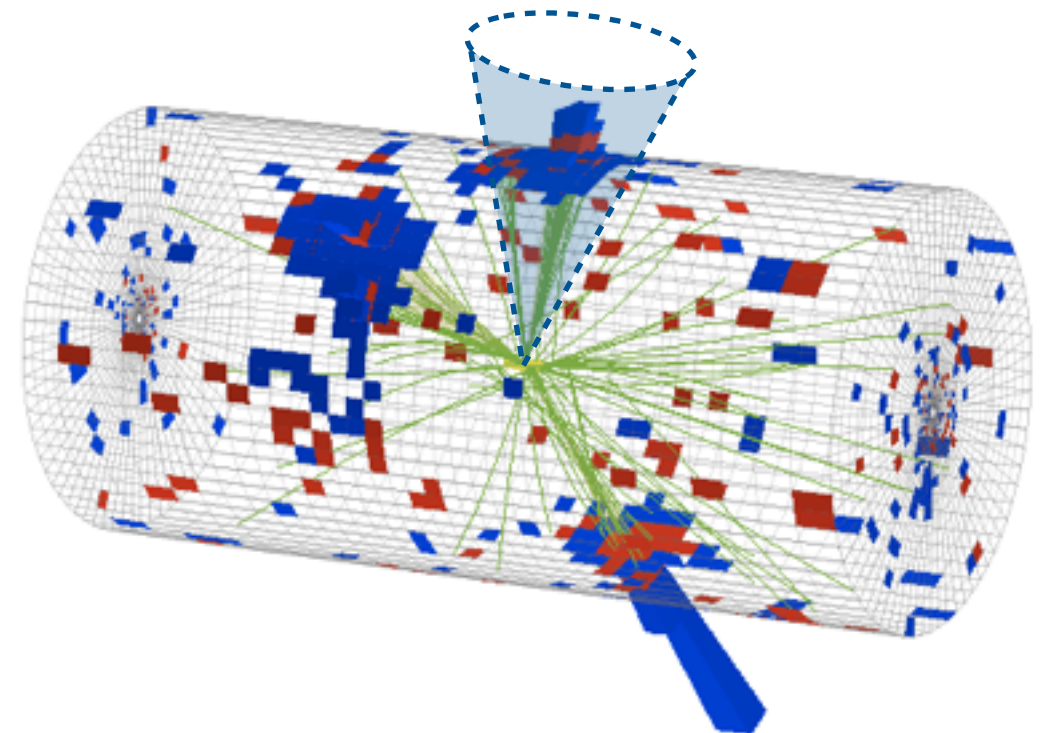
Jet  $p_T$ :  $\sum_{i \in \text{jet}} p_{T,i}$  IRC Safe

$p_T^D$ :  $\sum_{i \in \text{jet}} \frac{p_{T,i}^2}{p_{T,\text{jet}}^2}$  IR Safe  
C Unsafe

Multiplicity:  $\sum_{i \in \text{jet}} 1$  IRC Unsafe

Jet Mass:  $\sum_{i,j \in \text{jet}} p_i \cdot p_j$  IRC Safe

N-subjettiness:  $\sum_{i \in \text{jet}} p_{T,i} \min \{ \Delta R_{i,1}, \Delta R_{i,2}, \dots, \Delta R_{i,N} \}^\beta$  IRC Safe



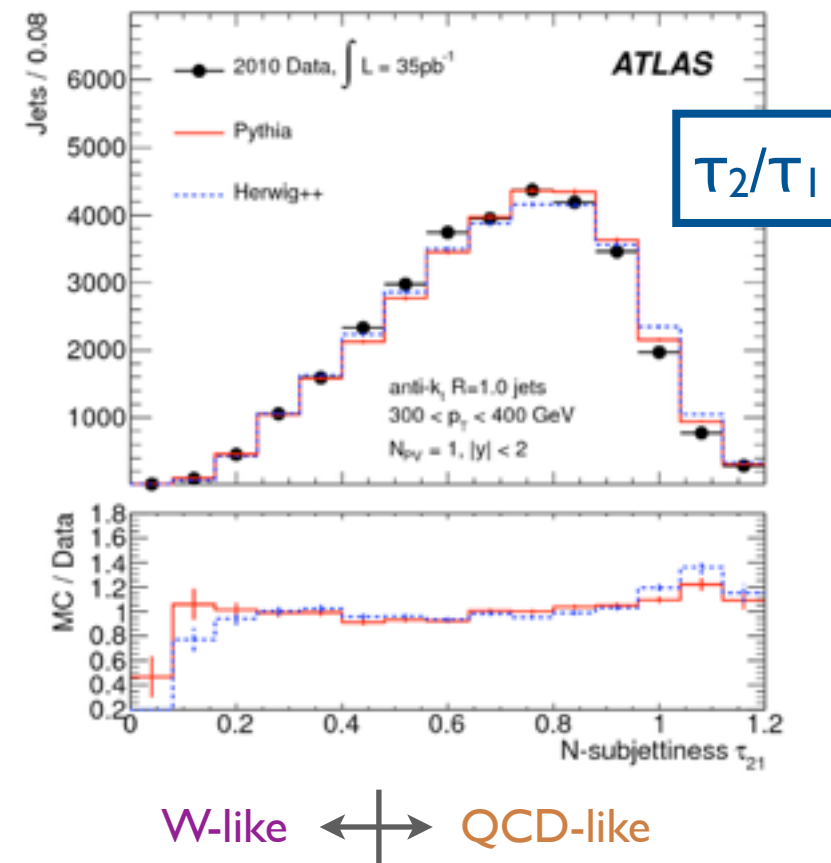
# Ratio Observables?

IRC Safe  $\Rightarrow$  Useful Ratio

$$\tau_N \Rightarrow \frac{\tau_N}{\tau_{N-1}}$$

Ubiquitous in jet substructure

[ATLAS EP-2012-031]

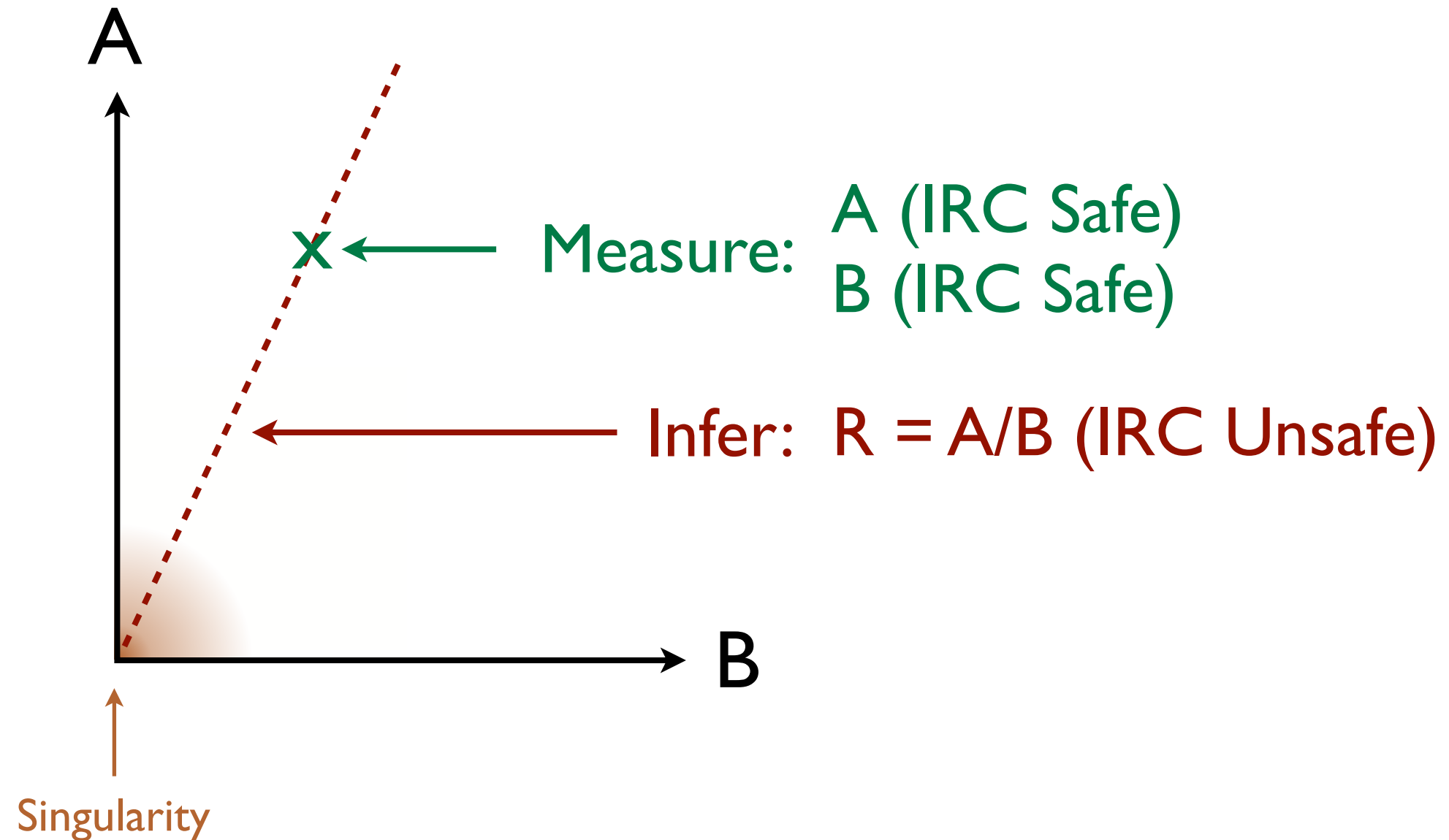


$$\frac{\text{IRC Safe Numerator}}{\text{IRC Safe Denominator}} = \text{IRC Unsafe Ratio}$$

[Soyez, Salam, Kim, Dutta, Cacciari, 2012]

# WHAT?!

*Safe/Safe = Unsafe?!*



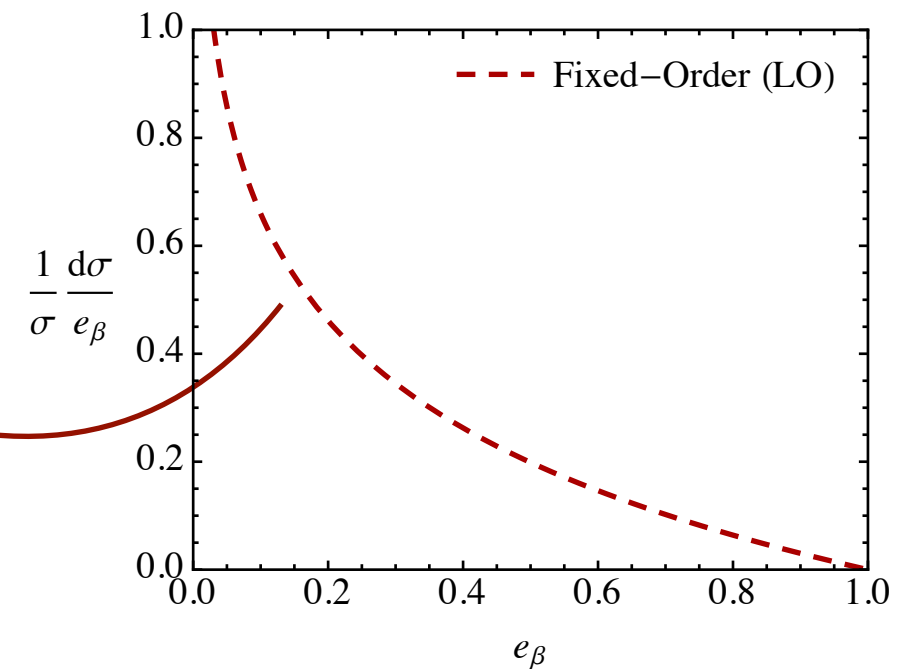
# Simple Example

## Ratios of Angularities

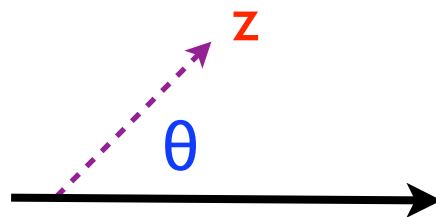
$$e_\beta \simeq \sum_{i \in \text{jet}} z_i (\theta_i)^\beta$$

↑ energy fraction      ↑ angle to axis  
IR Limit      C Limit  
 $z \rightarrow 0$        $\theta \rightarrow 0$

$$r = \frac{e_\alpha}{e_\beta}$$



Single emission:  
Order  $\alpha_s$  (LO)



$$e_\beta = z \theta^\beta \quad \text{IRC Safe}$$

$$r = \theta^{\alpha-\beta} \quad \text{IRC Unsafe}$$

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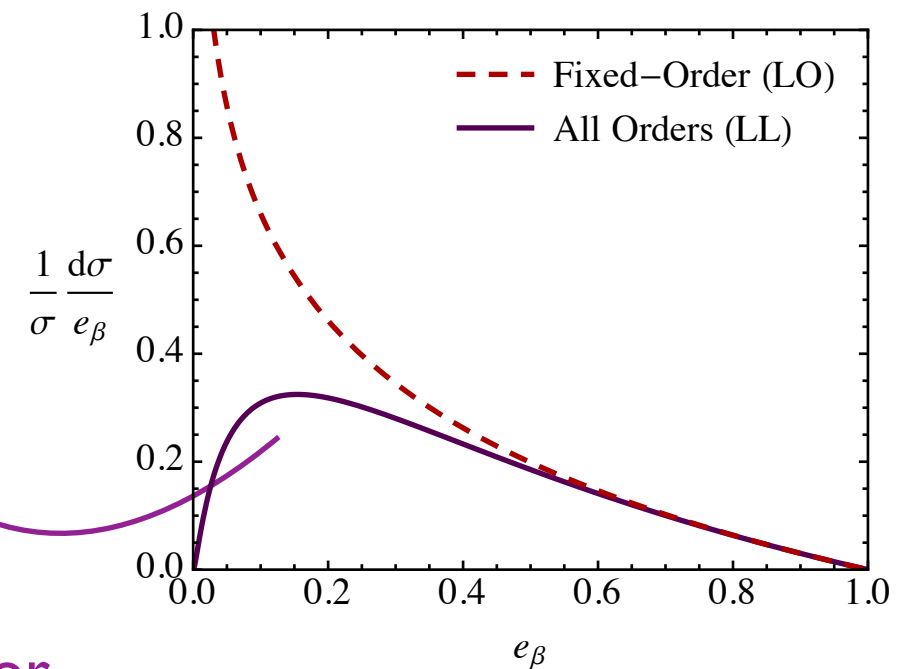
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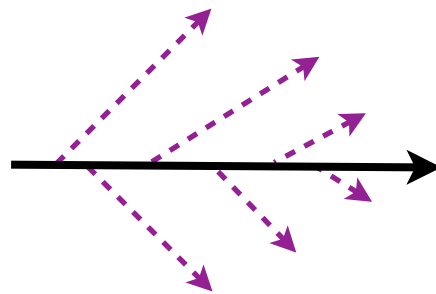
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Sudakov  
Form Factor



Many emissions:  
All orders in  $\alpha_s$  (LL)



$$e_\beta = z \theta^\beta$$

$$r = \theta^{\alpha - \beta}$$

IRC Safe

“Sudakov Safe”

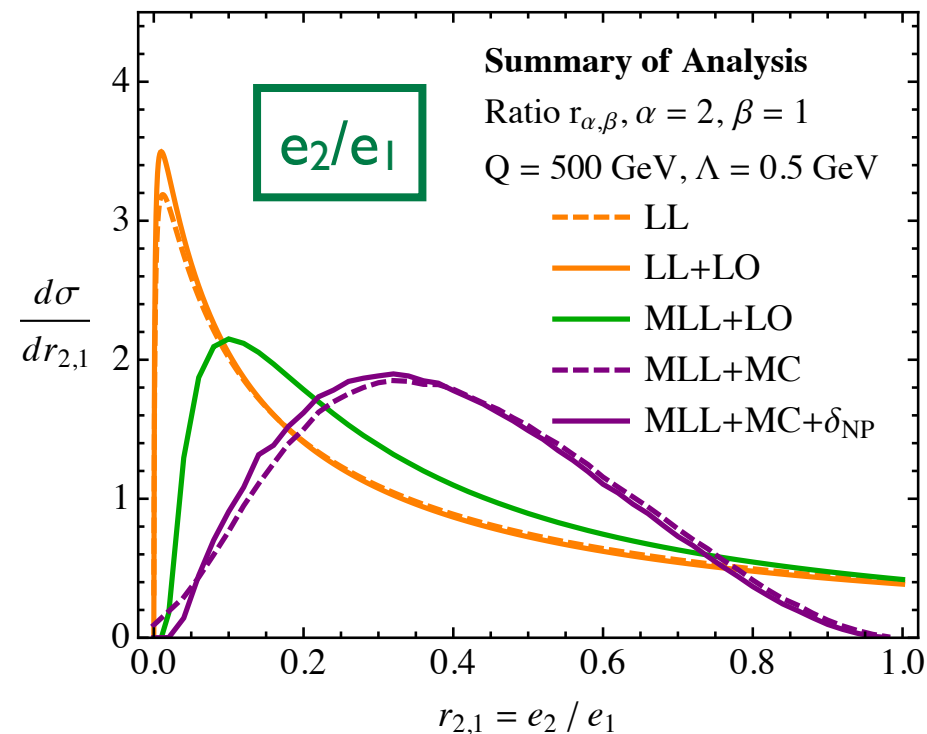
[Larkoski, JDT, 2013]

# After the Dust Settles

## Ratio Cross Section:

$$\frac{d\sigma^{\text{LL}}}{dr} = \frac{\sqrt{\alpha_s C_F \beta}}{\alpha - \beta} \frac{1}{r} \left( 1 - 2 \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \frac{C_F}{\alpha - \beta} \log^2 r \right) \left( \text{erf} \left[ \frac{\sqrt{\alpha_s C_F \beta}}{\sqrt{\pi}(\alpha - \beta)} \log r \right] + 1 \right) e^{-\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \frac{C_F}{\alpha - \beta} \log^2 r} - 2 \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \frac{C_F}{\alpha - \beta} \frac{\log r}{r} e^{-\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} C_F \frac{\alpha}{(\alpha - \beta)^2} \log^2 r}$$

## Systematic Improvements:



[Larkoski, JDT, 2013]

NLL: [Larkoski, Moult, Neill, 2014]

# After the Dust Settles

## Ratio Cross Section:

$$\frac{d\sigma^{\text{LL}}}{dr} = \frac{\sqrt{\alpha_s C_F \beta}}{\alpha - \beta} \frac{1}{r} \left( 1 - 2 \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \frac{C_F}{\alpha - \beta} \log^2 r \right) \left( \text{erf} \left[ \frac{\sqrt{\alpha_s C_F \beta}}{\sqrt{\pi}(\alpha - \beta)} \log r \right] + 1 \right) e^{-\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \frac{C_F}{\alpha - \beta} \log^2 r} - 2 \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \frac{C_F}{\alpha - \beta} \frac{\log r}{r} e^{-\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} C_F \frac{\alpha}{(\alpha - \beta)^2} \log^2 r}$$

## Expand in small $\alpha_s$ :

$$\frac{d\sigma^{\text{LL}}}{dr} = \sqrt{\alpha_s} \frac{\sqrt{C_F \beta}}{\alpha - \beta} \frac{1}{r} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$$

No Taylor expansion

Finite cross section

Unsafe... ..but Calculable

# The Case for Jet Substructure

## Maximize **discovery** potential of LHC

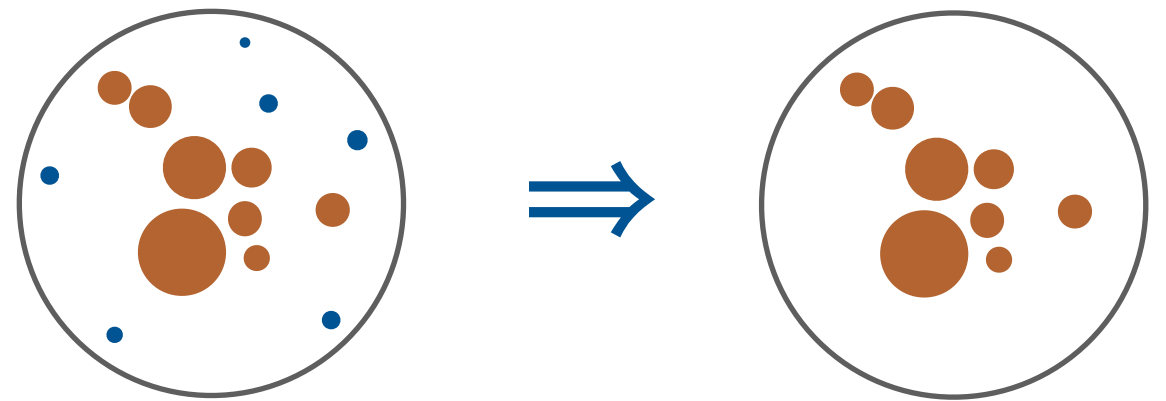
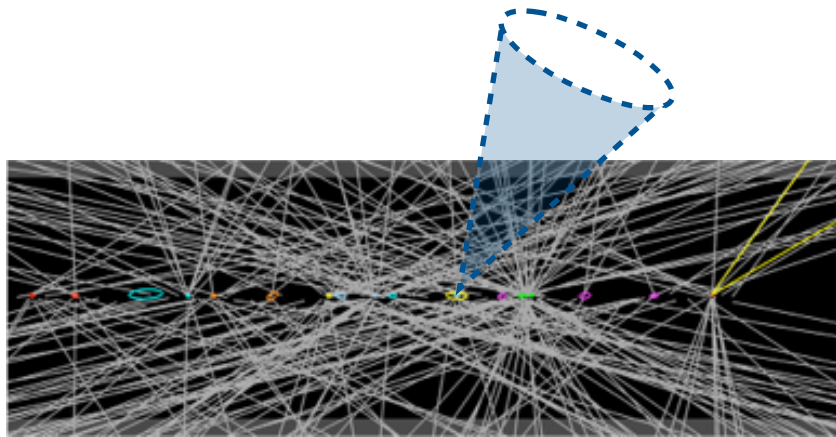
Creative analysis strategies for hadronic final states

## Enhance **understanding** of QCD

New analytic results in (non)perturbative field theory



# Soft Drop



[Larkoski, Marzani, Soyez, JDT, 2014]

Knob:

$\beta = 0$

$\beta > 0$

$\beta \rightarrow \infty$



IRC Unsafe\*

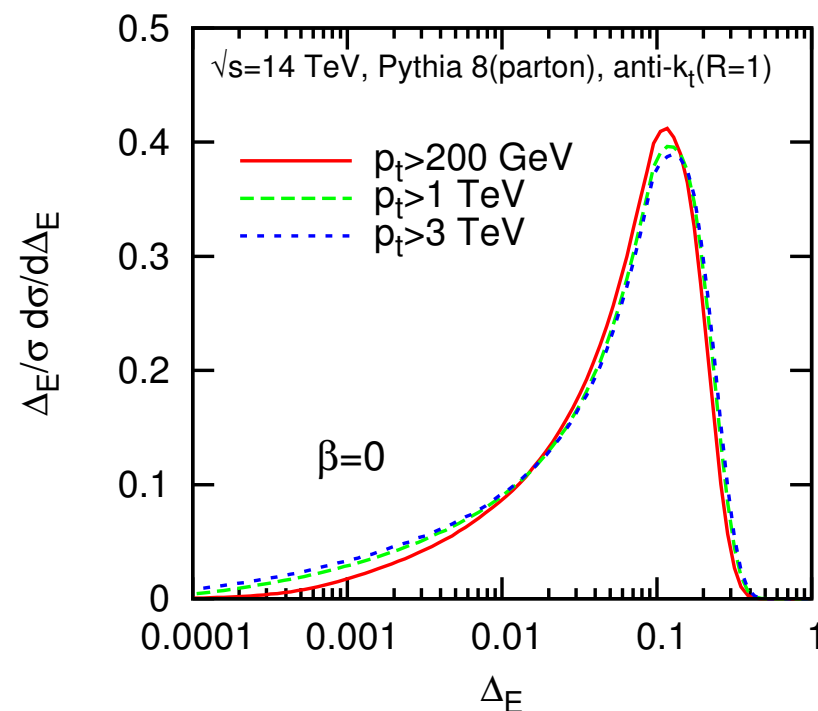
a.k.a. mMDT

MDT: [Butterworth, Davison, Rubin, Salam, 2008]  
mMDT: [Dasgupta, Fregoso, Marzani, Salam, 2013]

# Energy Loss from Soft Drop

$$\left. \frac{d\sigma}{d \log \Delta_E} \right|_{\beta=0} \propto \frac{1}{\log^2 \Delta_E}$$

↑  
no  $\alpha_s$  at  
fixed coupling!

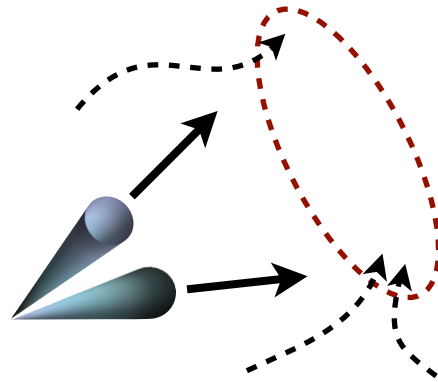


A standard candle for jets?

≈ Independent of  $\alpha_s$ , jet p<sub>T</sub>, jet radius

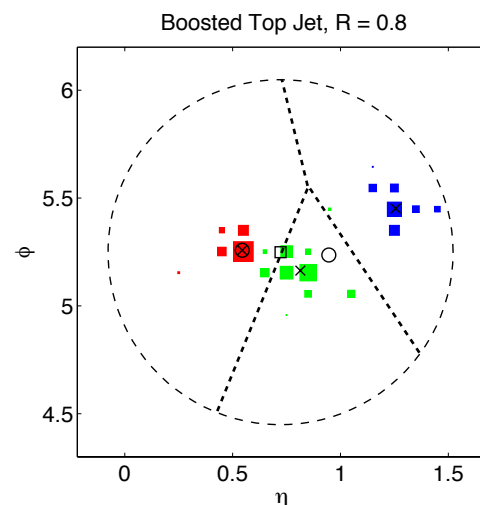
≈ Independent of quark vs. gluon

# Summary



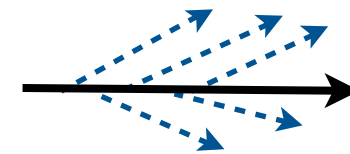
## Why Jet Substructure?

*Exceptional LHC performance + Extreme kinematics + Jet contamination + (B)SM physics*



## Boosted Objects with N-subjettiness

*Powerful, intuitive measure of prong-like structure*



$$\frac{\text{IRC Safe}}{\text{IRC Safe}} = \text{Sudakov Safe}$$


## Introducing “Sudakov Safety”

*Need all orders in  $\alpha_s$ ; new insights into QFT?*

# Want to Learn More?

## *Theorist of the Month*

N-subjettiness  
Energy Correlation Functions  
Jets Without Jets  
Jet Trimming  
Soft Drop  
Sudakov Safety  
Track Functions  
Power Corrections  
Recoil-Free Observables  
Broadening Axes  
Winner-Take-All Scheme  
...



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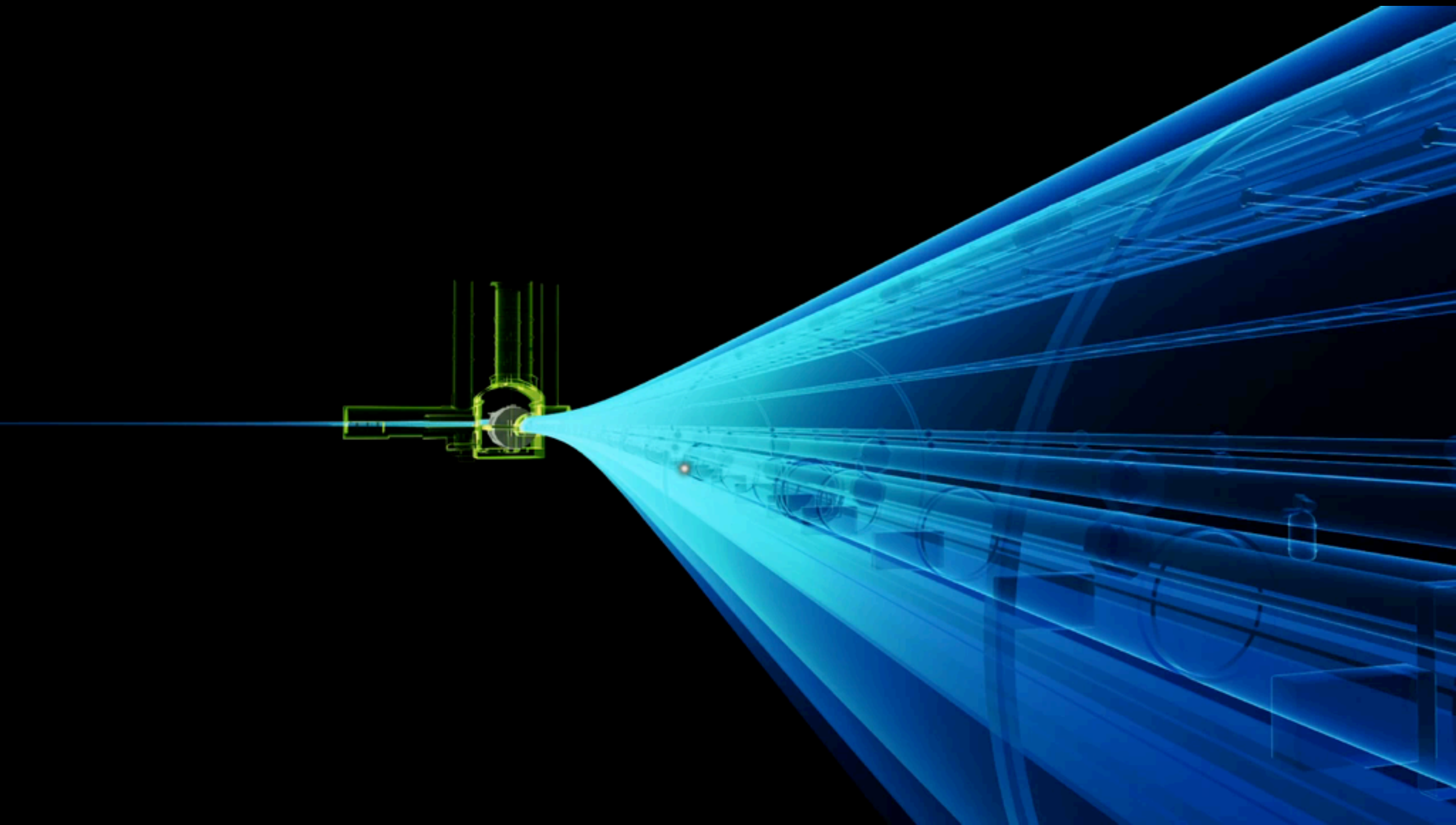
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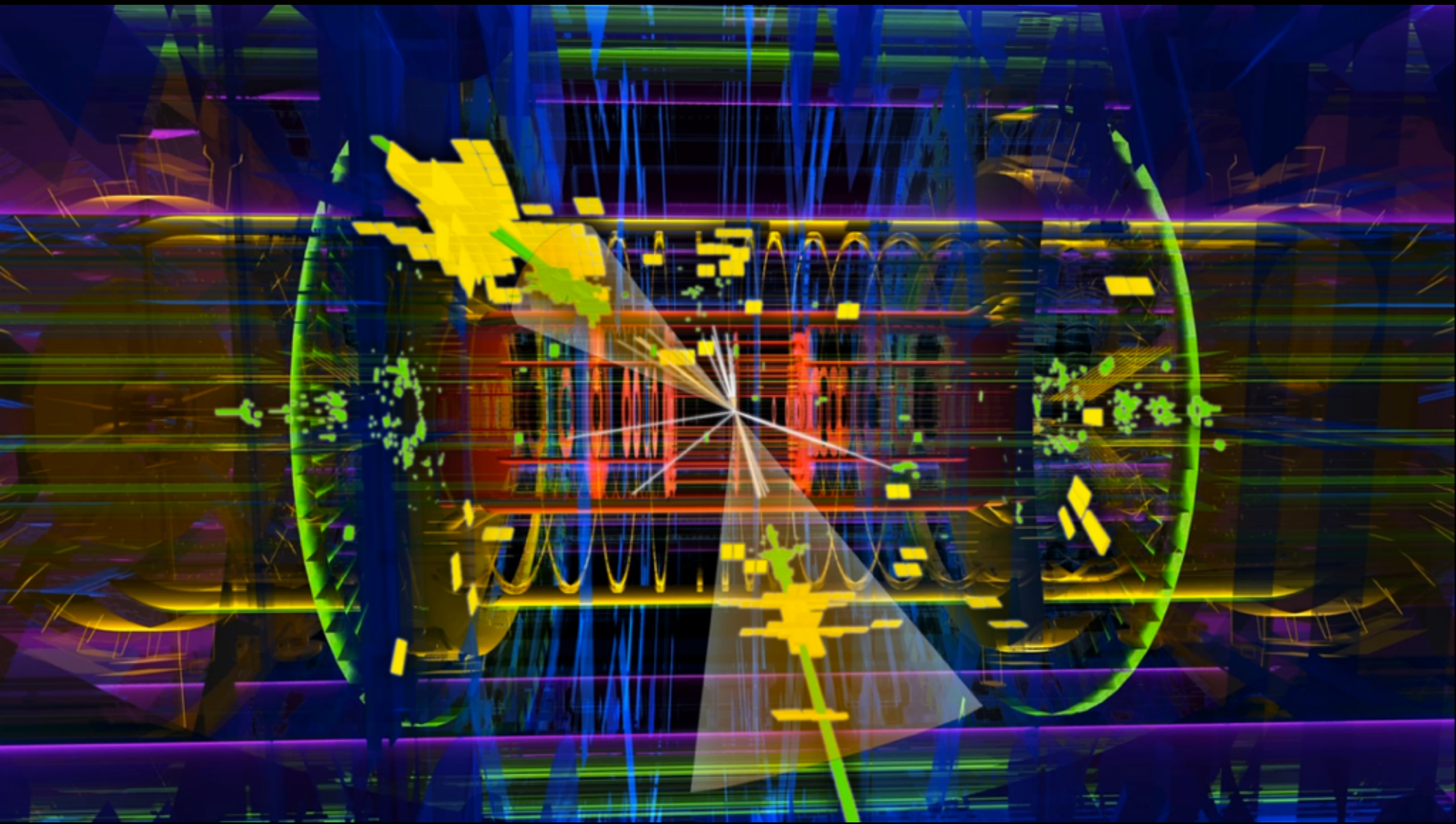
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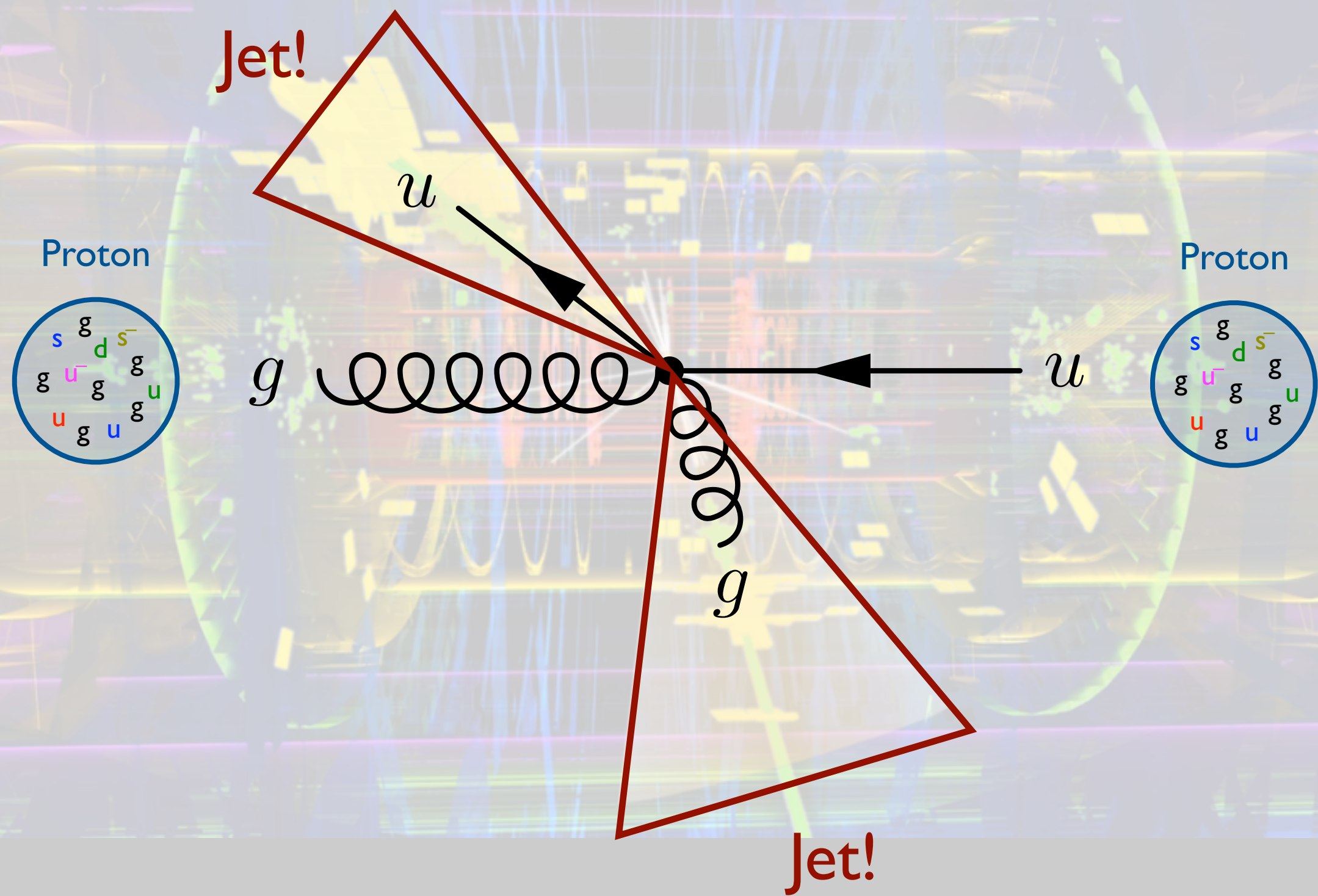
# *Backup Slides*





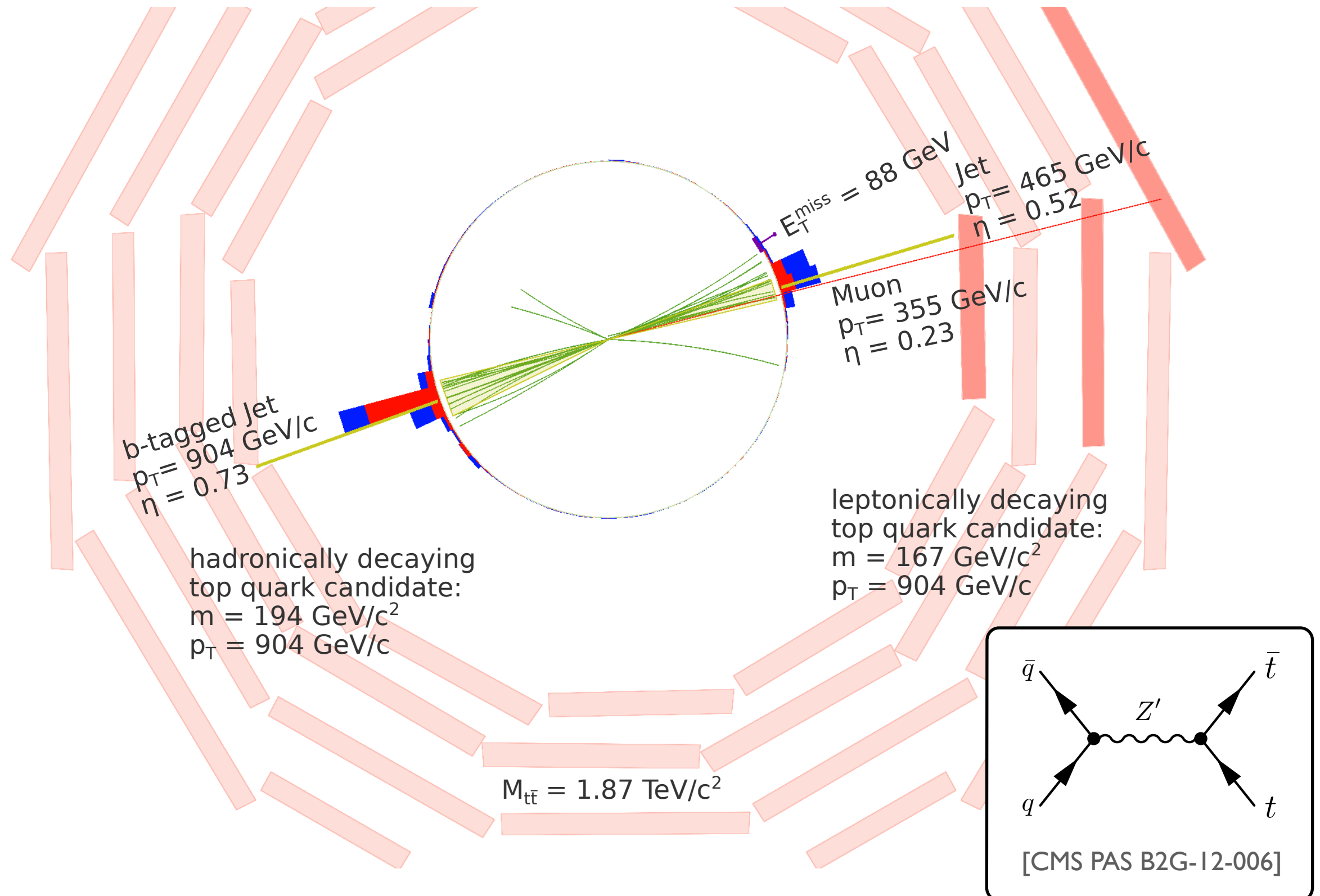




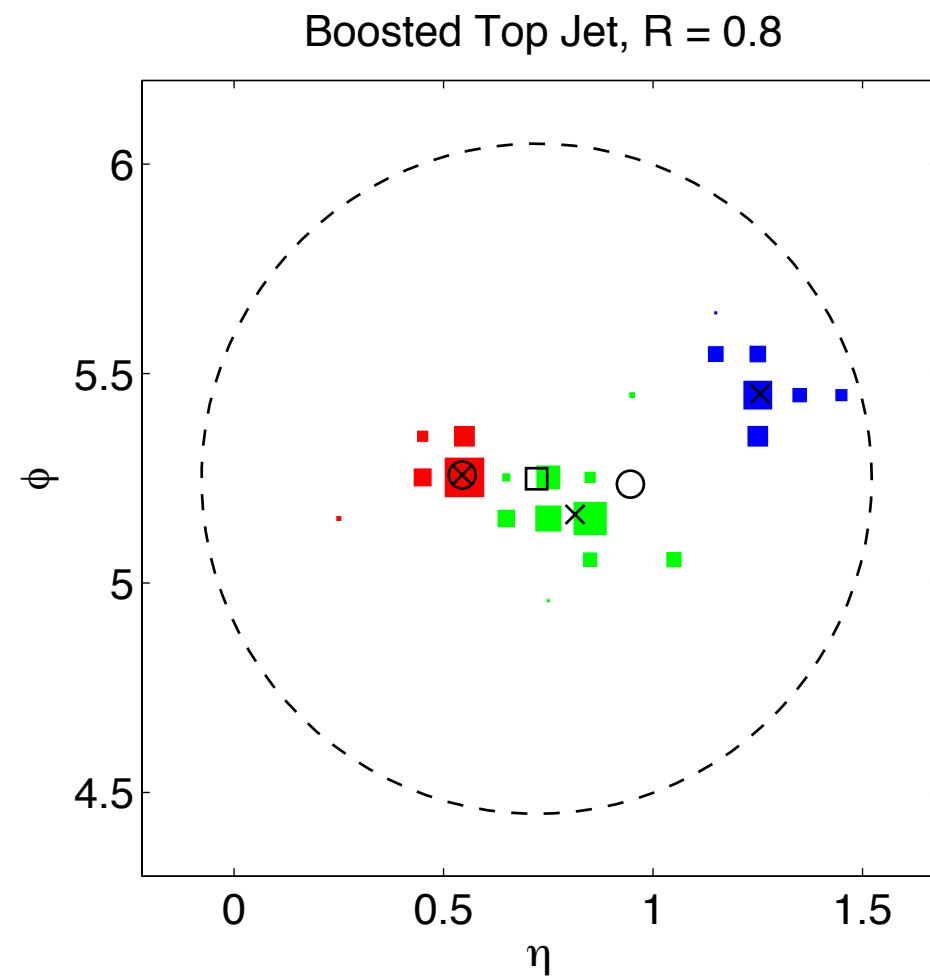




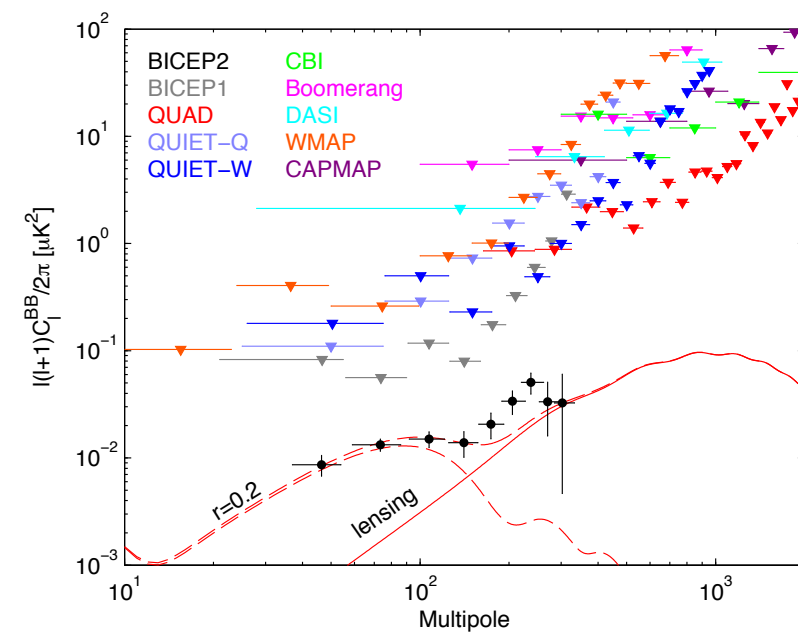
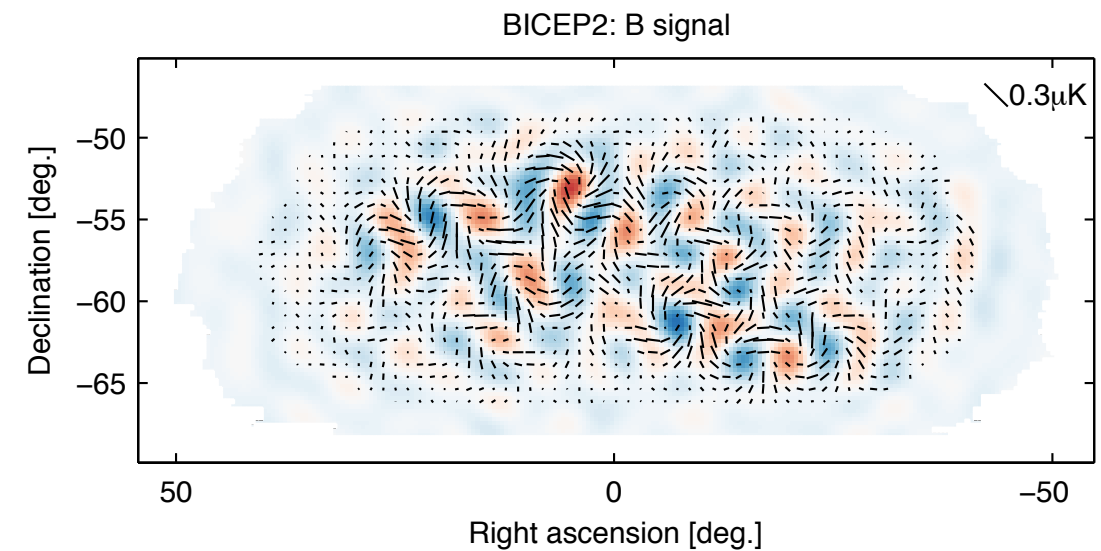
# Jets or Jet Substructure?



# Jet Substructure by Power Spectrum?



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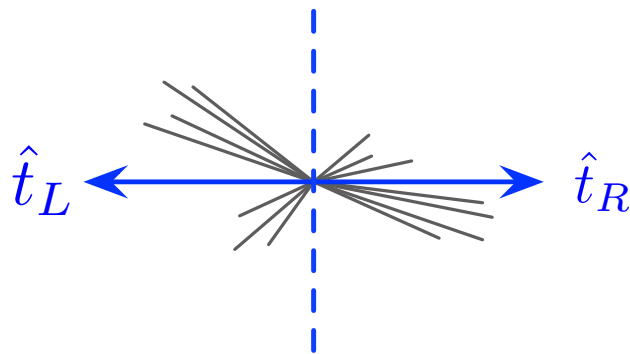
[BICEP2]

# Axes Finding = Cluster Optimization

$$\tau_N = \frac{1}{d_0} \sum_k p_{T,k} \min \{ \Delta R_{k,1}, \Delta R_{k,2}, \dots, \Delta R_{k,N} \}^\beta$$

## k-means clustering

Minimize  $\beta = 2$



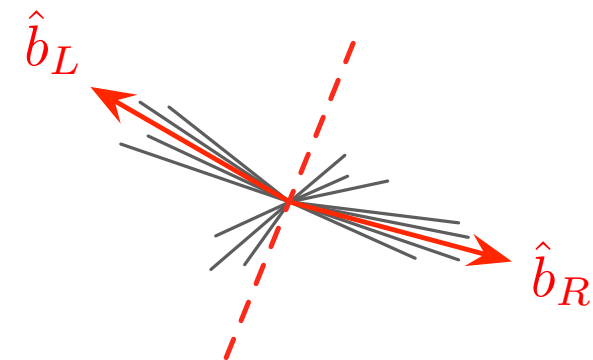
thrust axes

[Farhi, 1977]

## k-medians clustering

(actually called RI-k-means)

Minimize  $\beta = 1$



broadening axes

[Larkoski, Neill, JDT, 2014]

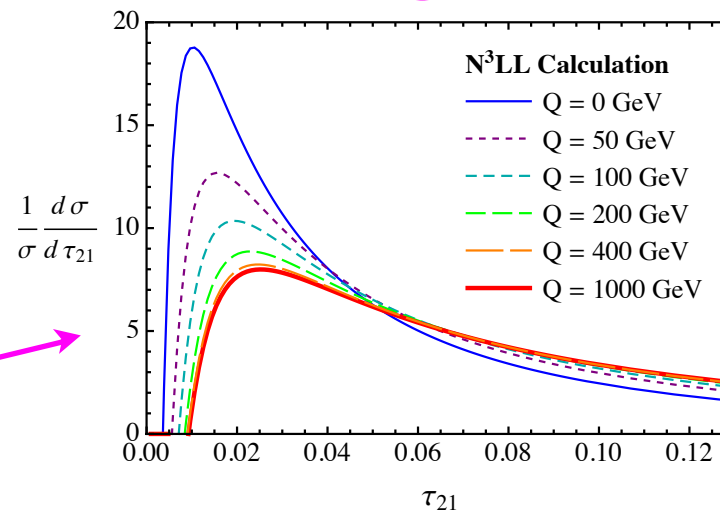
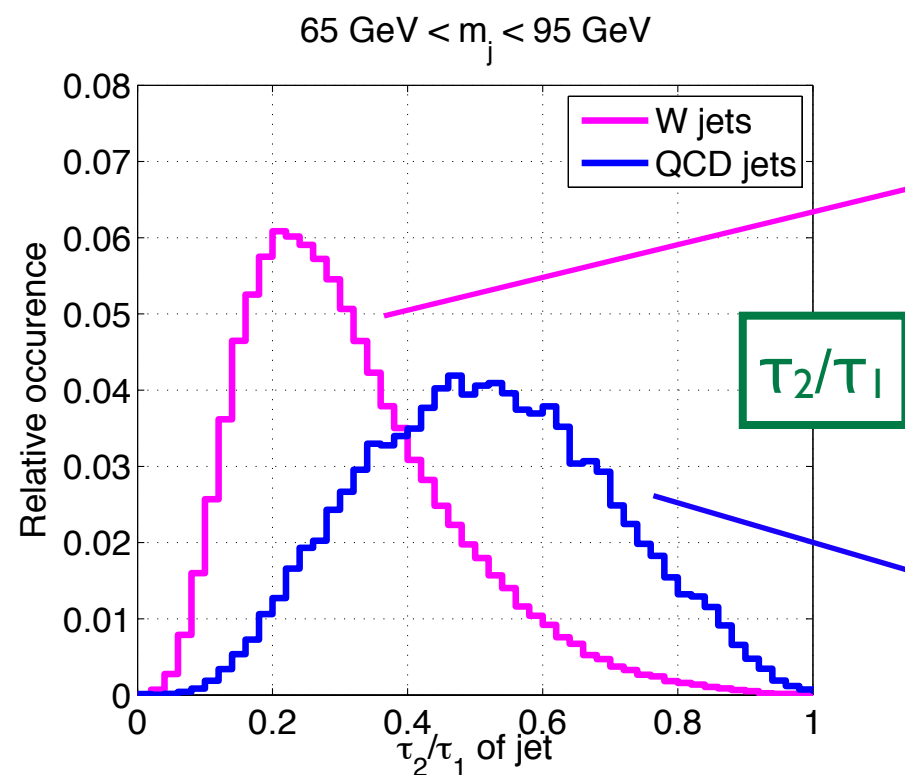
# Predict Substructure Performance?

Signal

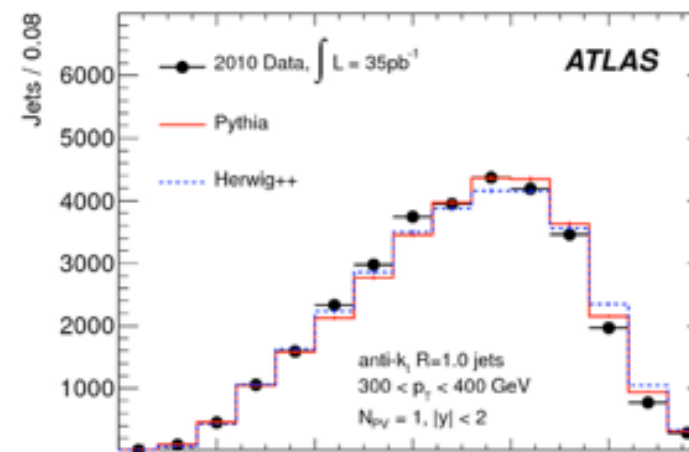
Boosted color singlet

$$W \rightarrow q\bar{q}'$$

$\beta = 2$ : [Feige, Schwartz, Stewart, JDT, 2012]



Background

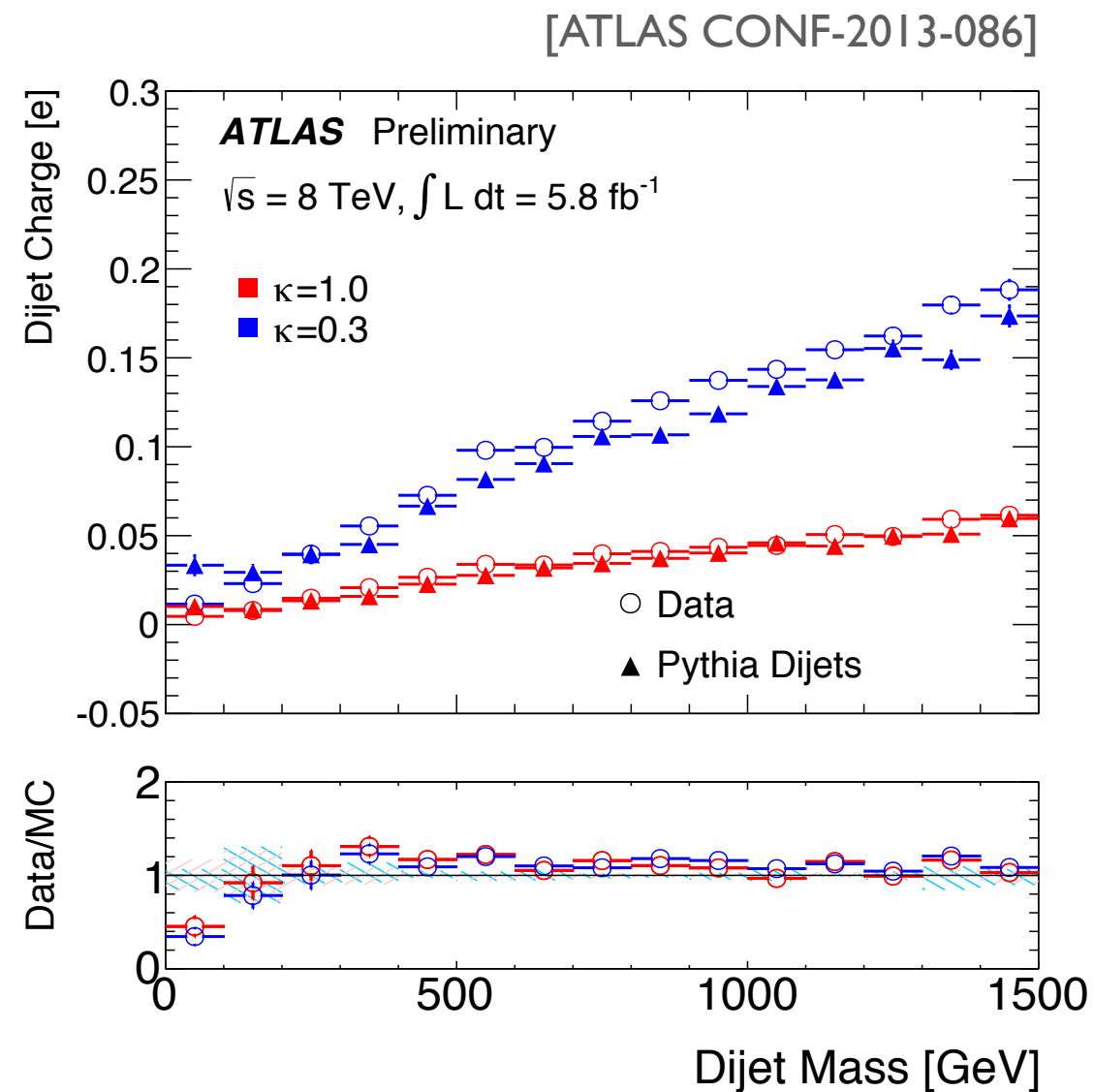


[ATLAS EP-2012-031]

Active area of study

Why so challenging?

# Beautiful LHC Measurements



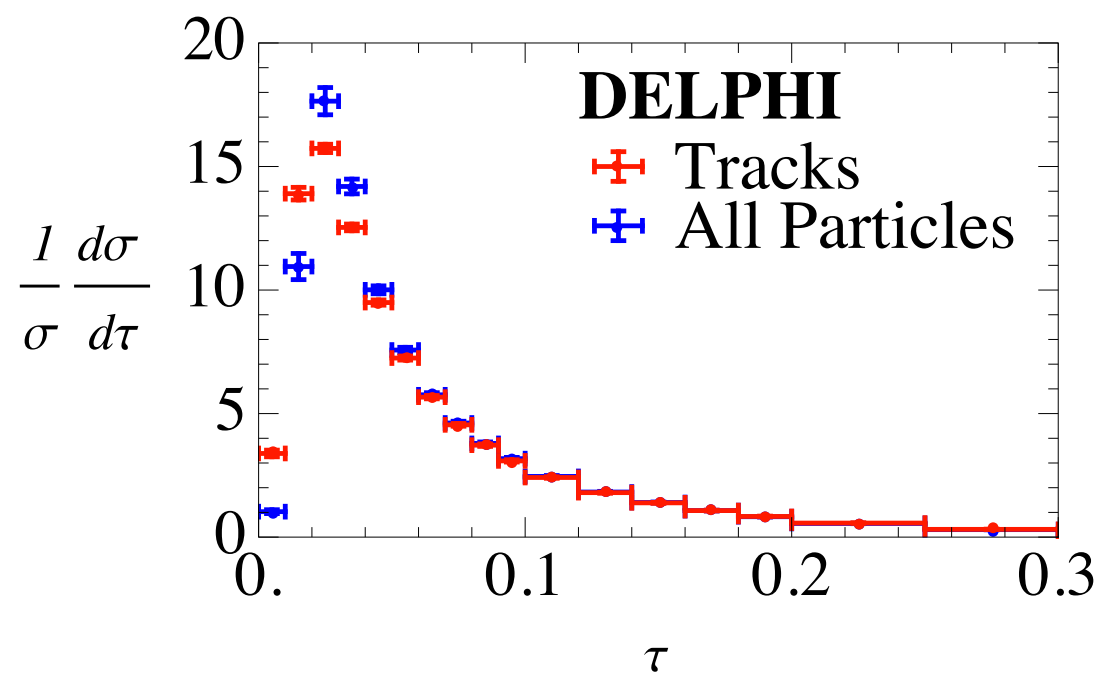
Jet Charge:

$$Q_{\kappa} = \sum_{j \in \text{jet}} q_j z_j^{\kappa}$$

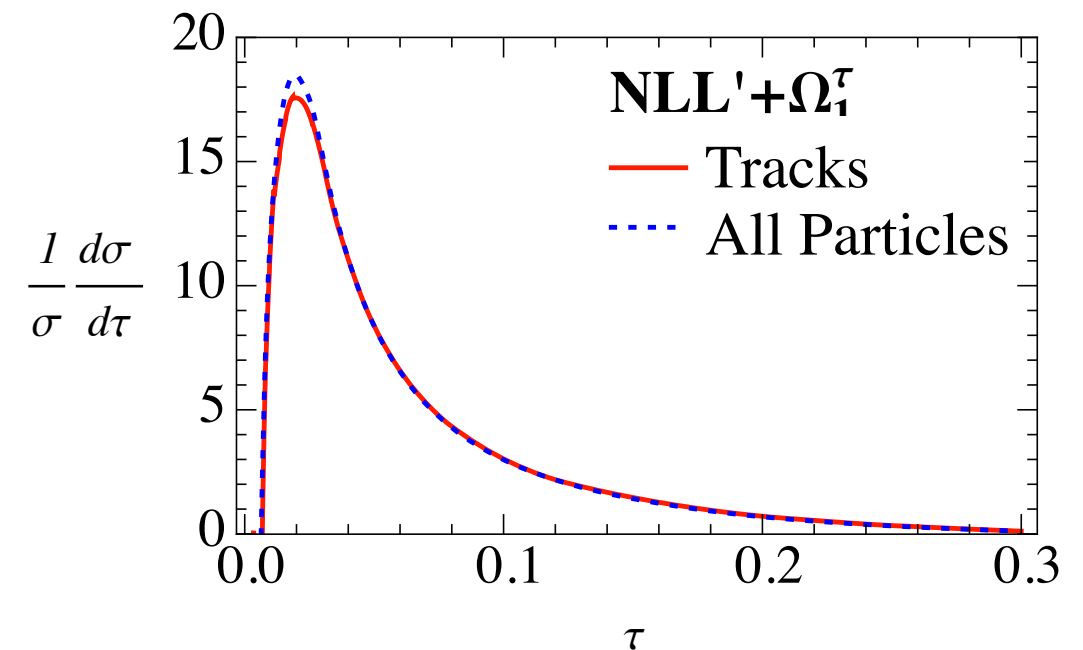
[revisiting Feynman, Field, 1978;  
 Krohn, Lin, Schwartz, Waalewijn, 2012;  
 Waalewijn, 2012]

# Revisiting Thrust @ LEP

LEP Data



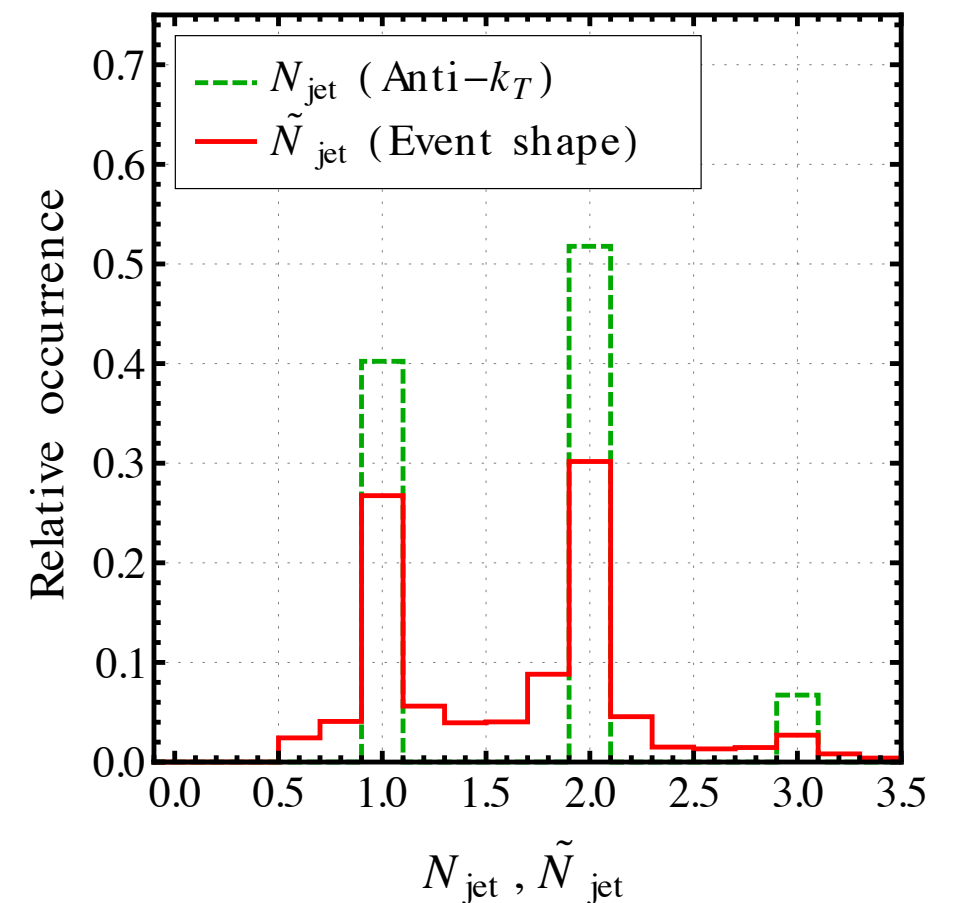
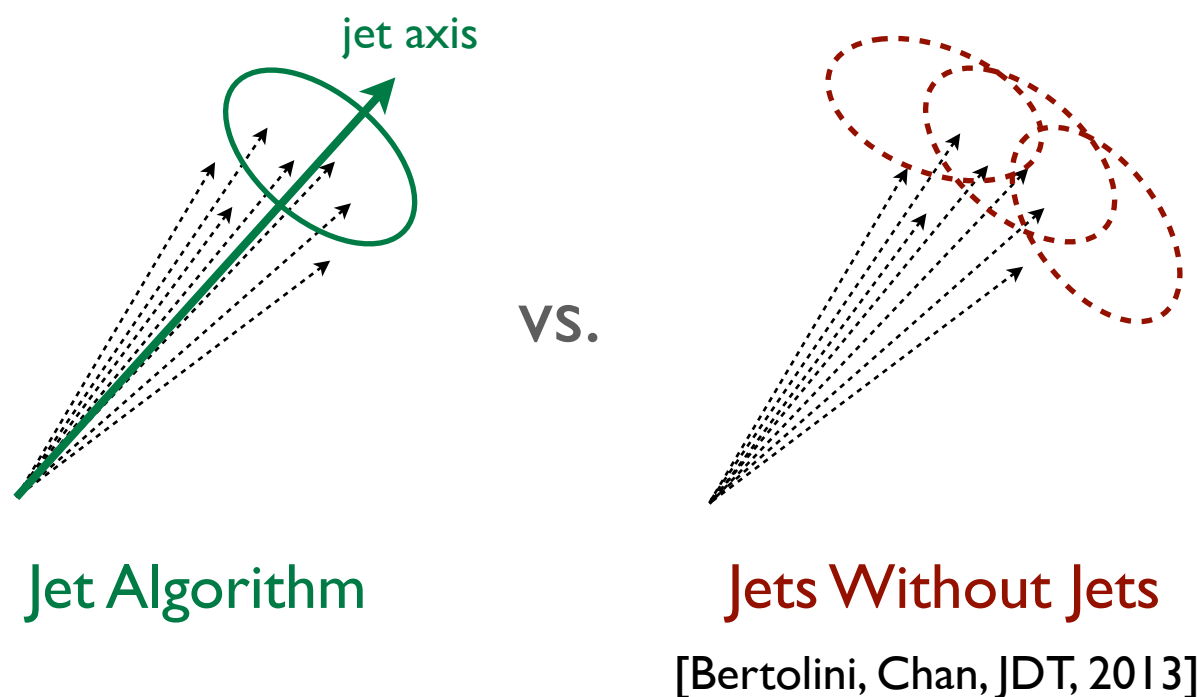
SCET + “Track Functions”



[Chang, Procura, JDT, Waalewijn, 2013]

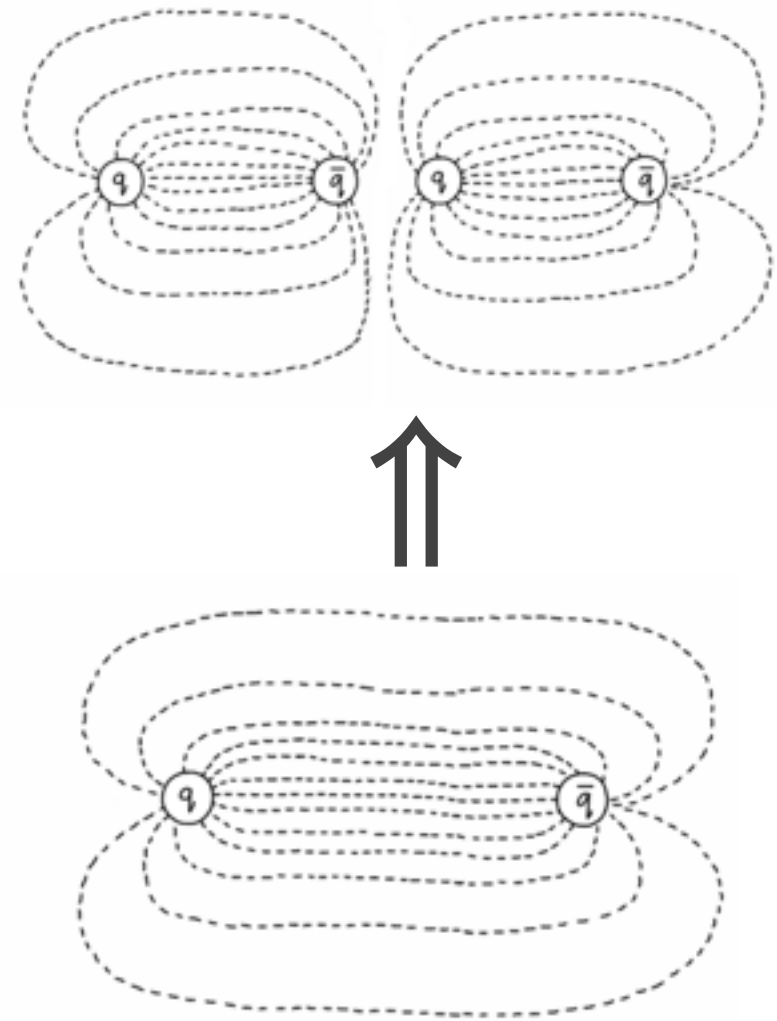
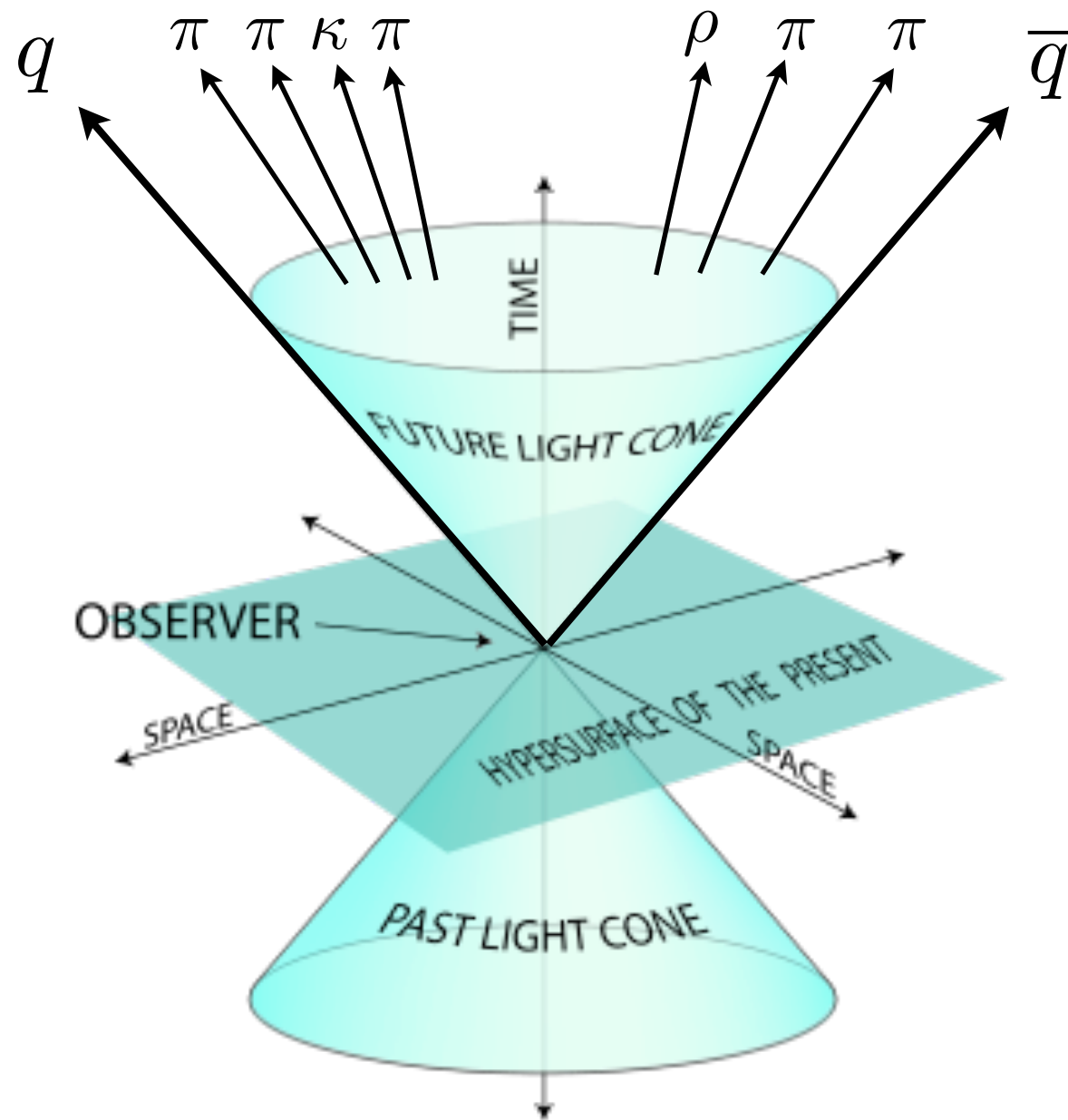
Technique applicable to **IR Safe** but **C Unsafe**

# Embracing Jet Ambiguities



Fractional jets  $\Rightarrow$  Probe of soft QCD

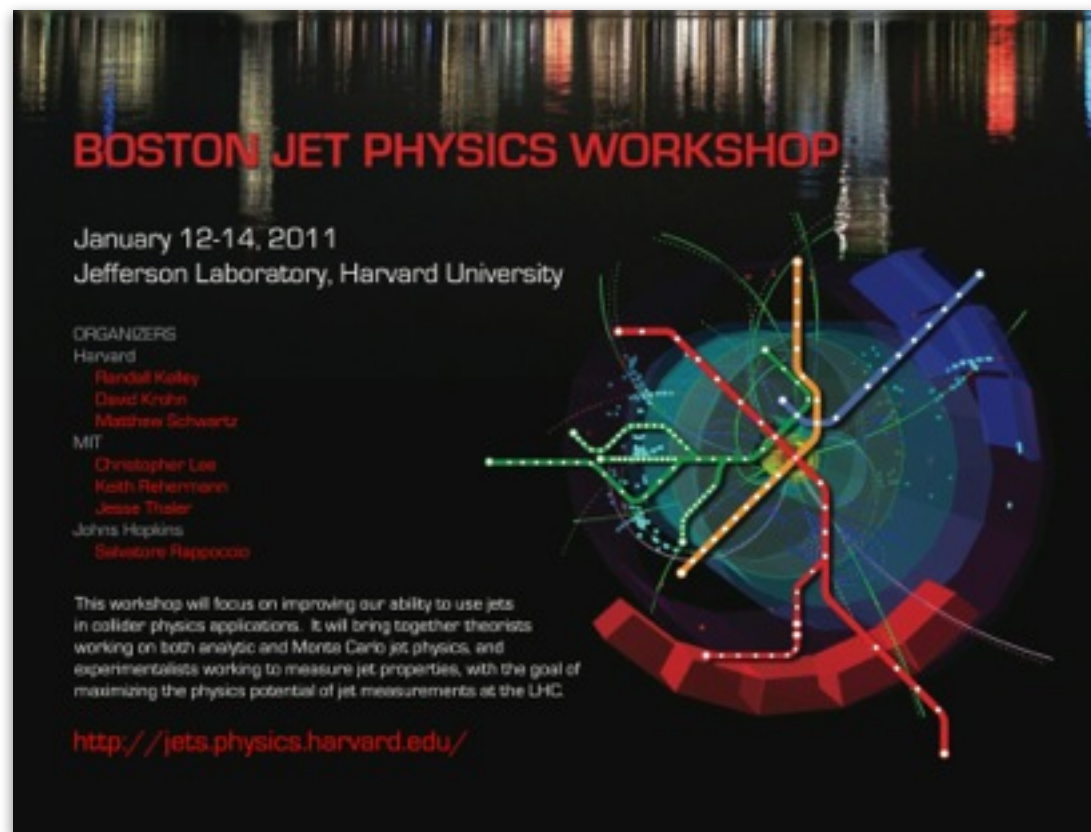
# Handles on Hadronization



[coffeeshopphysics.com]

[revisiting Salam, Wicke, 2001;  
Mateu, Stewart, JDT, 2012]





Jan 2011 Boston Jet Physics Workshop



Jan 2014 Boston Jet Physics Workshop

# Turning the Crank

## Sudakov Factor:

$$\Delta(e_\alpha, e_\beta) = \text{Probability to get measurement below a certain value of both } e_\alpha \text{ \& } e_\beta$$

## Double Differential Cross Section:

$$\frac{d^2\sigma^{\text{LL}}}{de_\alpha de_\beta} = \frac{\partial}{\partial e_\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial e_\beta} \Delta(e_\alpha, e_\beta)$$

## Ratio Cross Section:

$$\frac{d\sigma^{\text{LL}}}{dr} = \int de_\alpha de_\beta \frac{d^2\sigma^{\text{LL}}}{de_\alpha de_\beta} \delta\left(r - \frac{e_\alpha}{e_\beta}\right)$$

# Turning the Crank

## Sudakov Factor:

$$\Delta(e_\alpha, e_\beta) = \exp \left[ -\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} C_F \left( \frac{1}{\beta} \log^2 e_\beta + \frac{1}{\alpha - \beta} \log^2 \frac{e_\alpha}{e_\beta} \right) \right]$$

## Double Differential Cross Section:

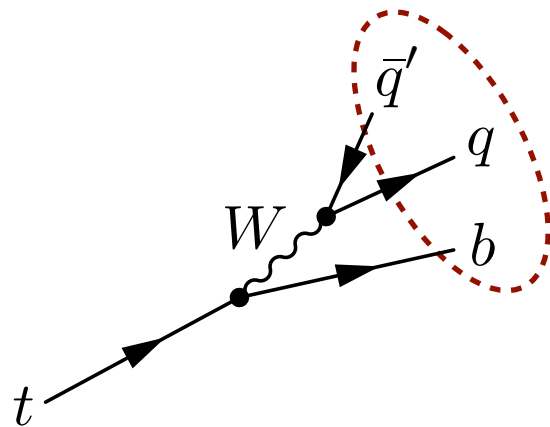
$$\frac{d^2 \sigma^{\text{LL}}}{de_\alpha de_\beta} = \left( \frac{2\alpha_s}{\pi} \frac{C_F}{\alpha - \beta} \frac{1}{e_\alpha e_\beta} + \frac{4\alpha_s^2}{\pi^2} \frac{C_F^2}{\beta(\alpha - \beta)^2} \frac{1}{e_\alpha e_\beta} \log \frac{e_\beta}{e_\alpha} \log \frac{e_\alpha^\beta}{e_\beta^\alpha} \right) \Delta(e_\alpha, e_\beta)$$

(Cross check: Reduces to known single differential)

## Ratio Cross Section:

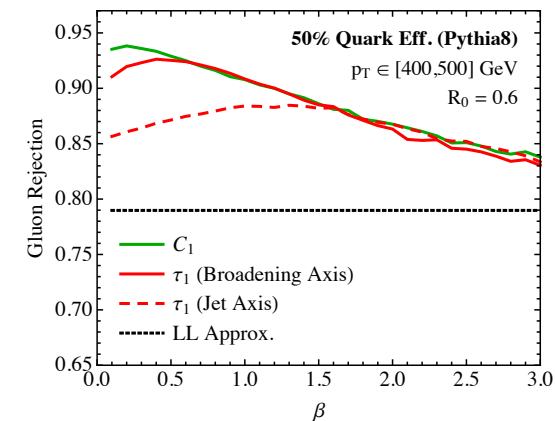
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# Discovery: New techniques for...



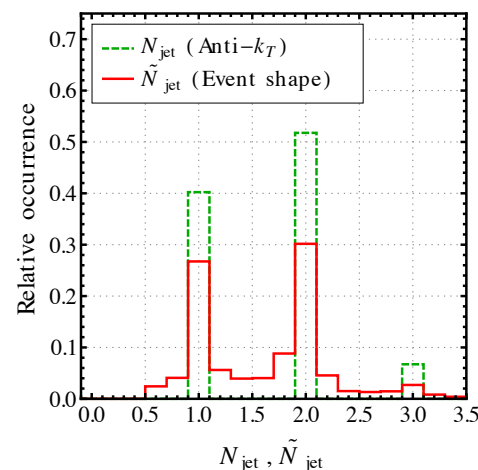
## ... Boosted Objects

[JDT, Ken Van Tilburg, 2010, 2011]



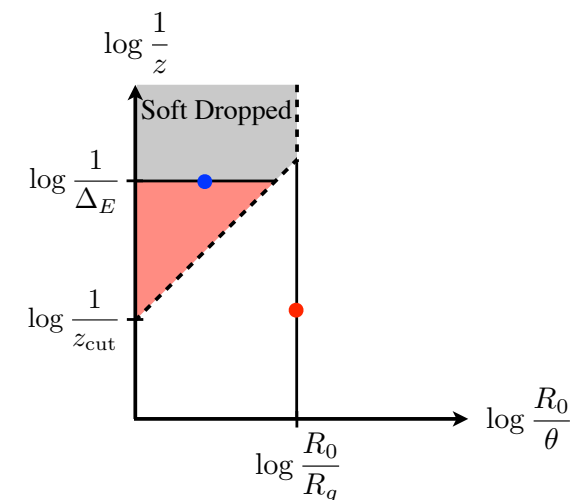
## ... Quark/Gluon Discrimination

[Andrew Larkoski, Gavin Salam, JDT, 2013]



## ... Jet Counting

[Daniele Bertolini, Tucker Chan, JDT, 2013]



## ... Pileup Mitigation

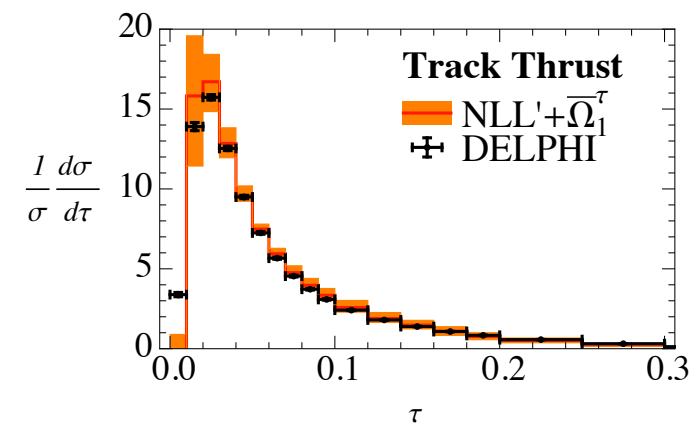
[Andrew Larkoski, Simone Marzani, Gregory Soyez, JDT, 2014]

# Understanding: New analytic methods for...

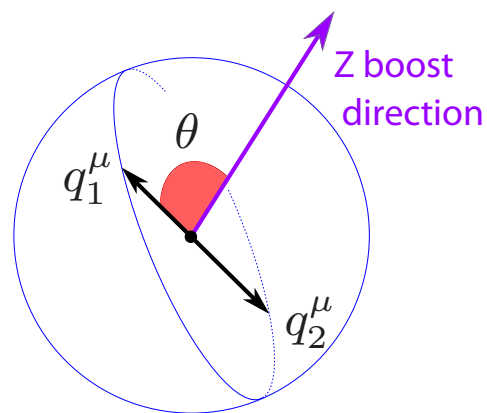


$$\frac{\text{IRC Safe}}{\text{IRC Safe}} = \text{Sudakov Safe}$$

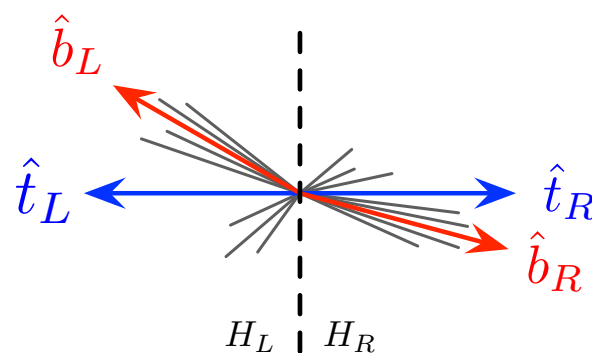
... Ratio Observables  
[Andrew Larkoski, JDT, 2013]



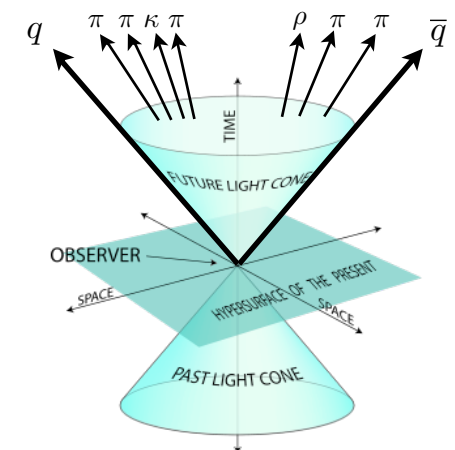
... Track-Based Observables  
[Hsi-Ming Chang, Massimiliano Procura, JDT, Wouter Waalewijn, 2013]



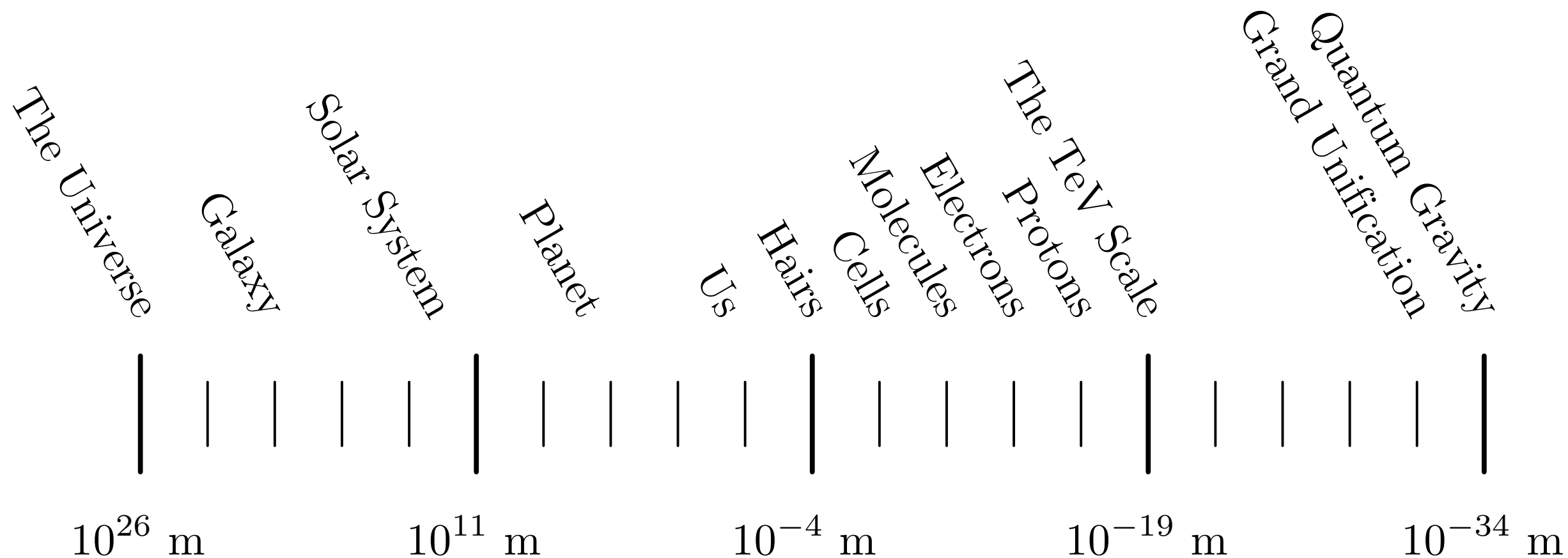
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[Ilya Feige, Matthew Schwartz, Iain Stewart, JDT, 2012]



... Recoil-Free Observables  
[Andrew Larkoski, Duff Neill, JDT, 2014]



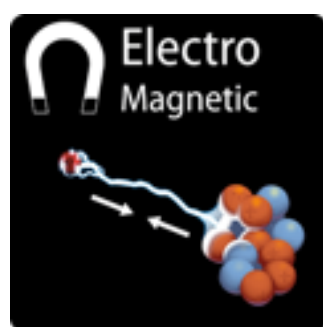
... Hadronization Effects  
[Vicent Mateu, Iain Stewart, JDT, 2012]



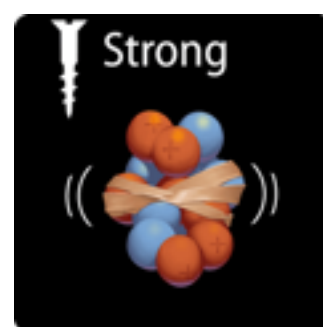
— The Standard Model —



Graviton



Photon

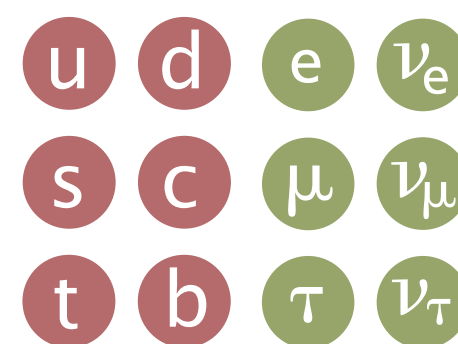


Gluon



W/Z Bosons

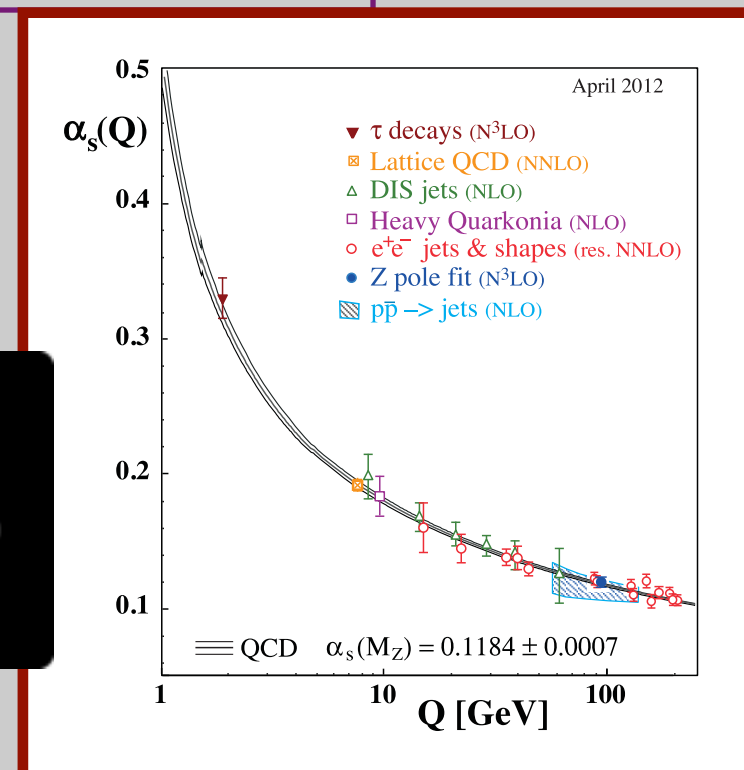
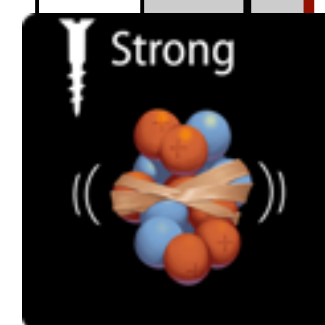
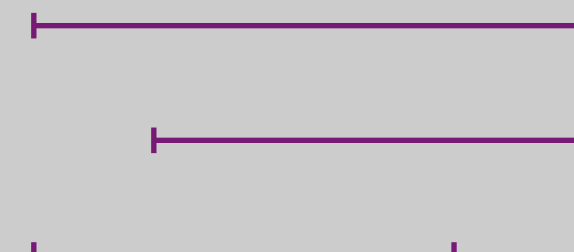
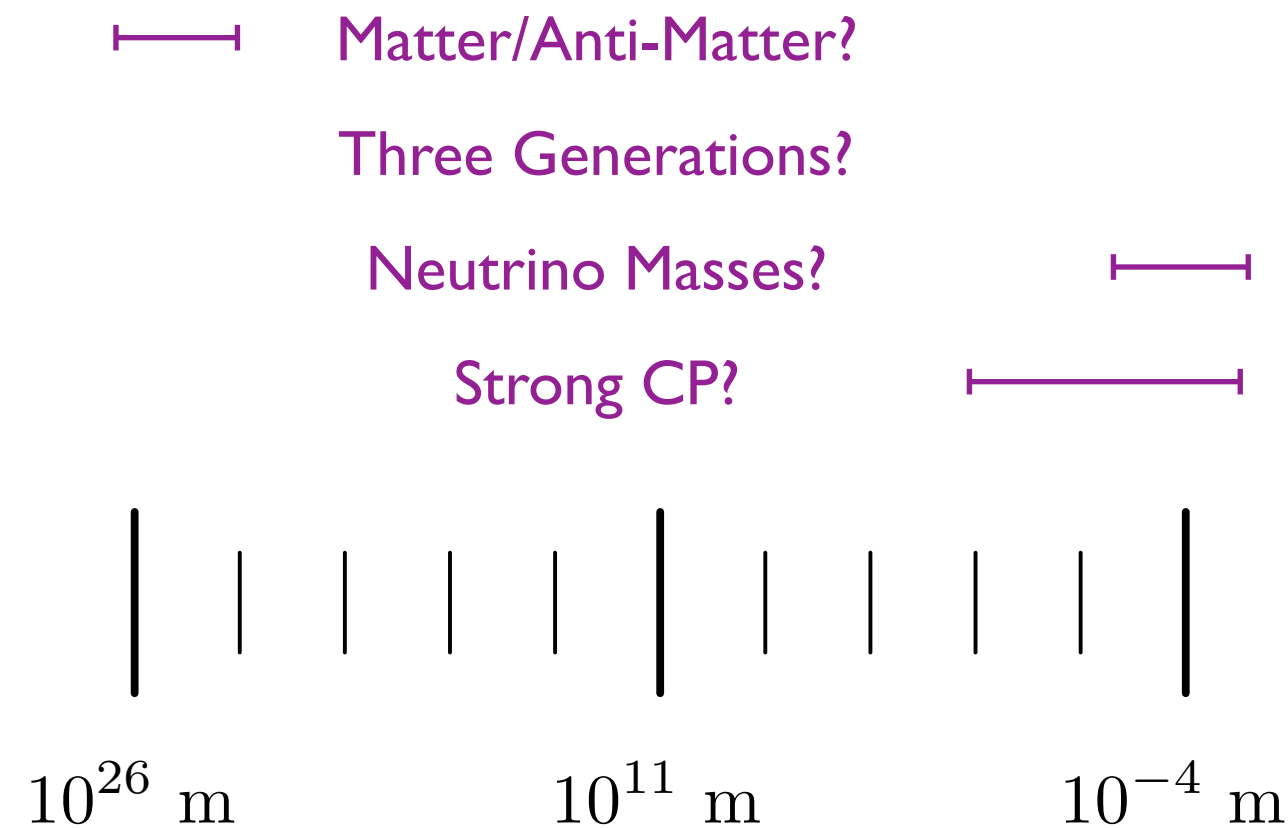
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Quarks

Leptons





The Standard Model

↑  
 Dark Matter?  
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 Dark Energy?  
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 Inflation?

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 Origin of Mass?  
 Higgs Boson (!)

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 Quantum Gravity?

←→  
 Hierarchy Problem?

Unification?