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1. Standard paradigm of background

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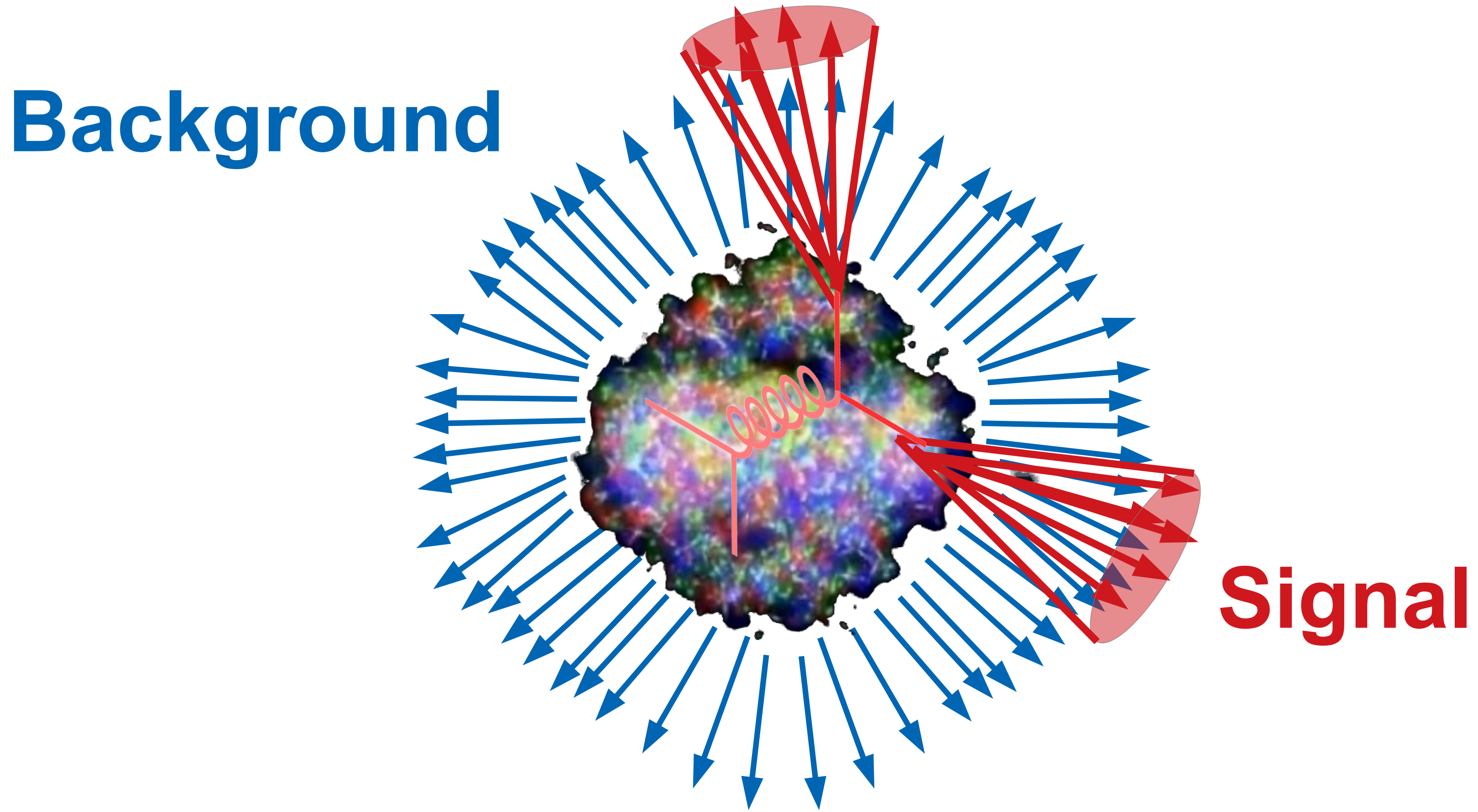
The standard paradigm



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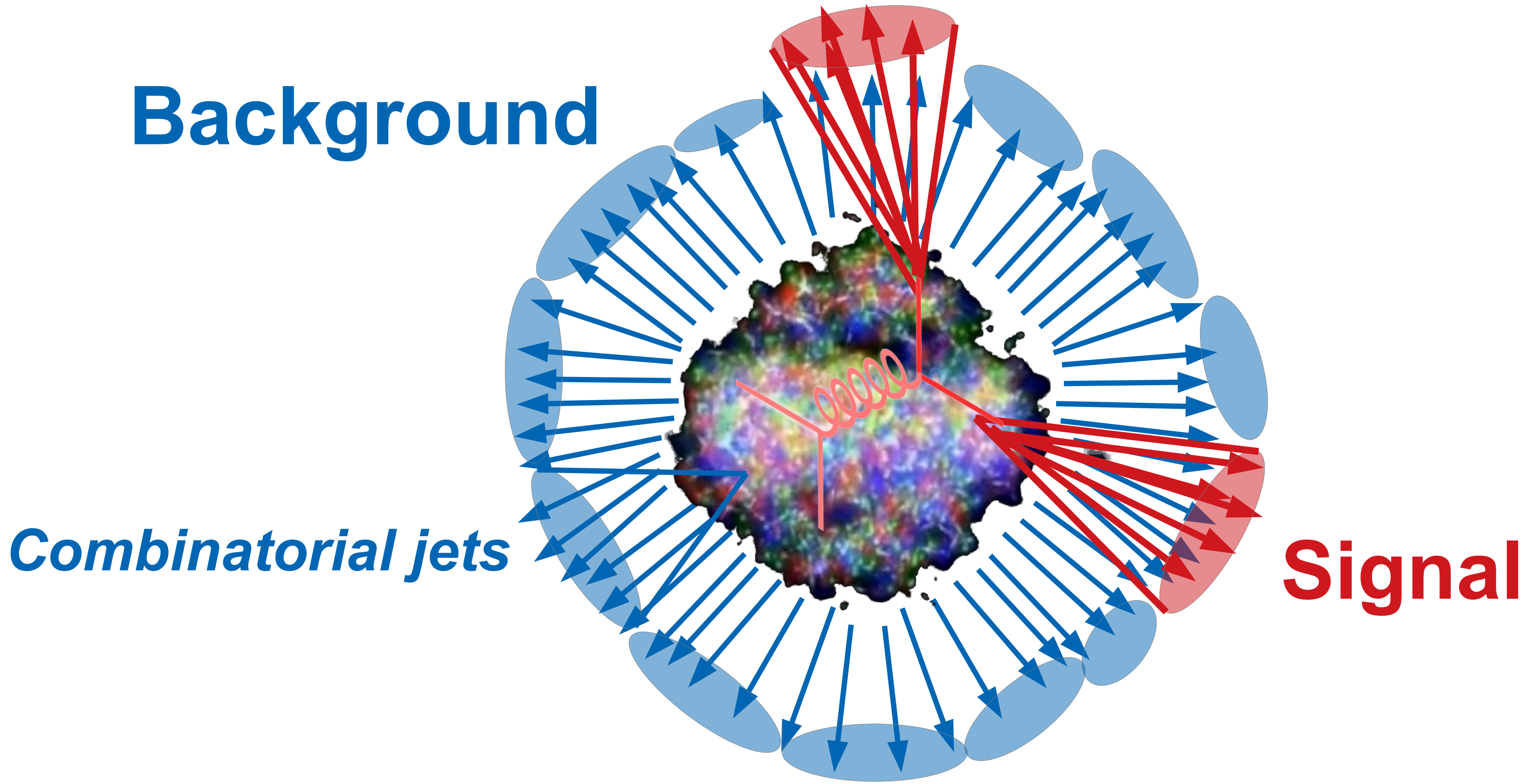

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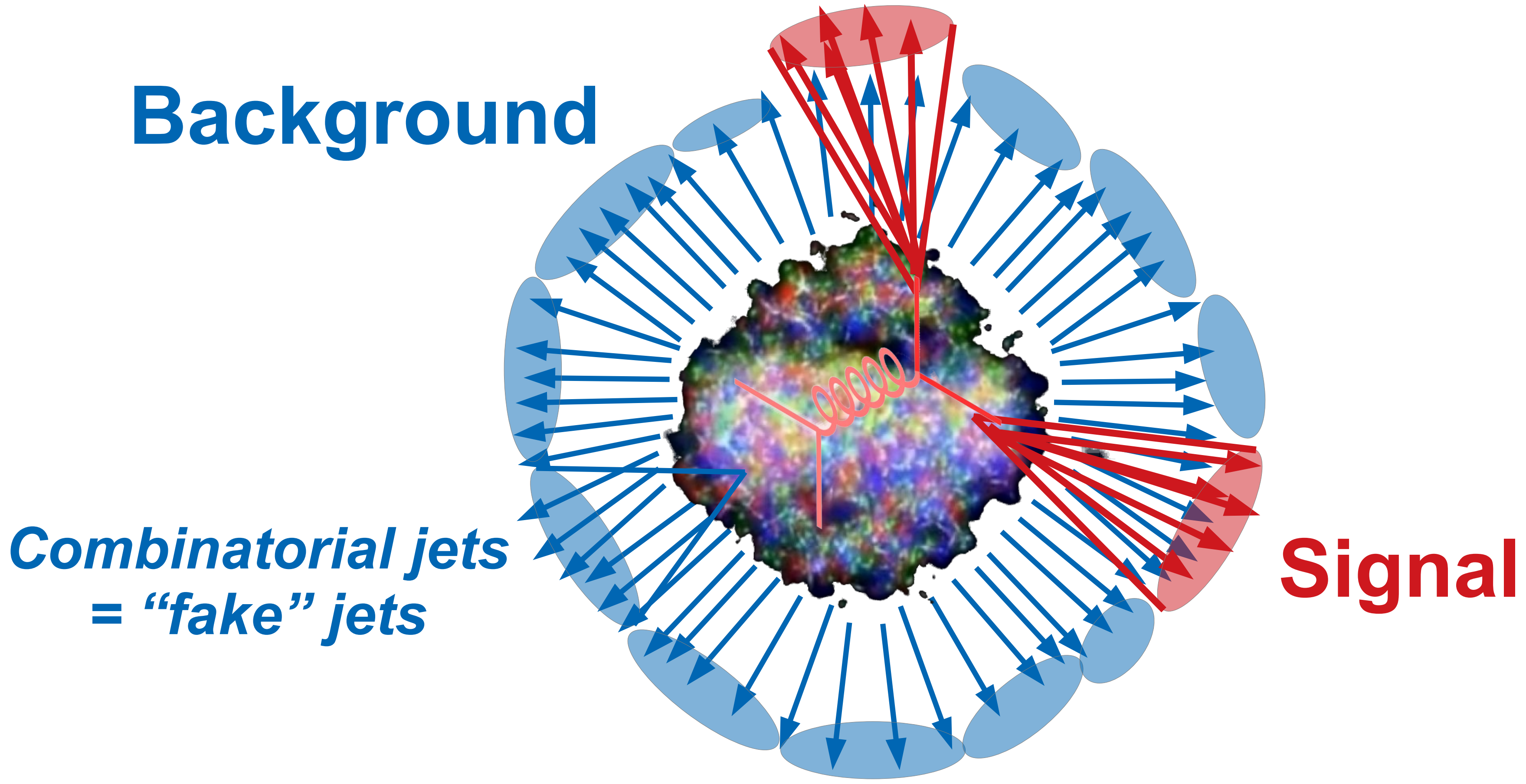

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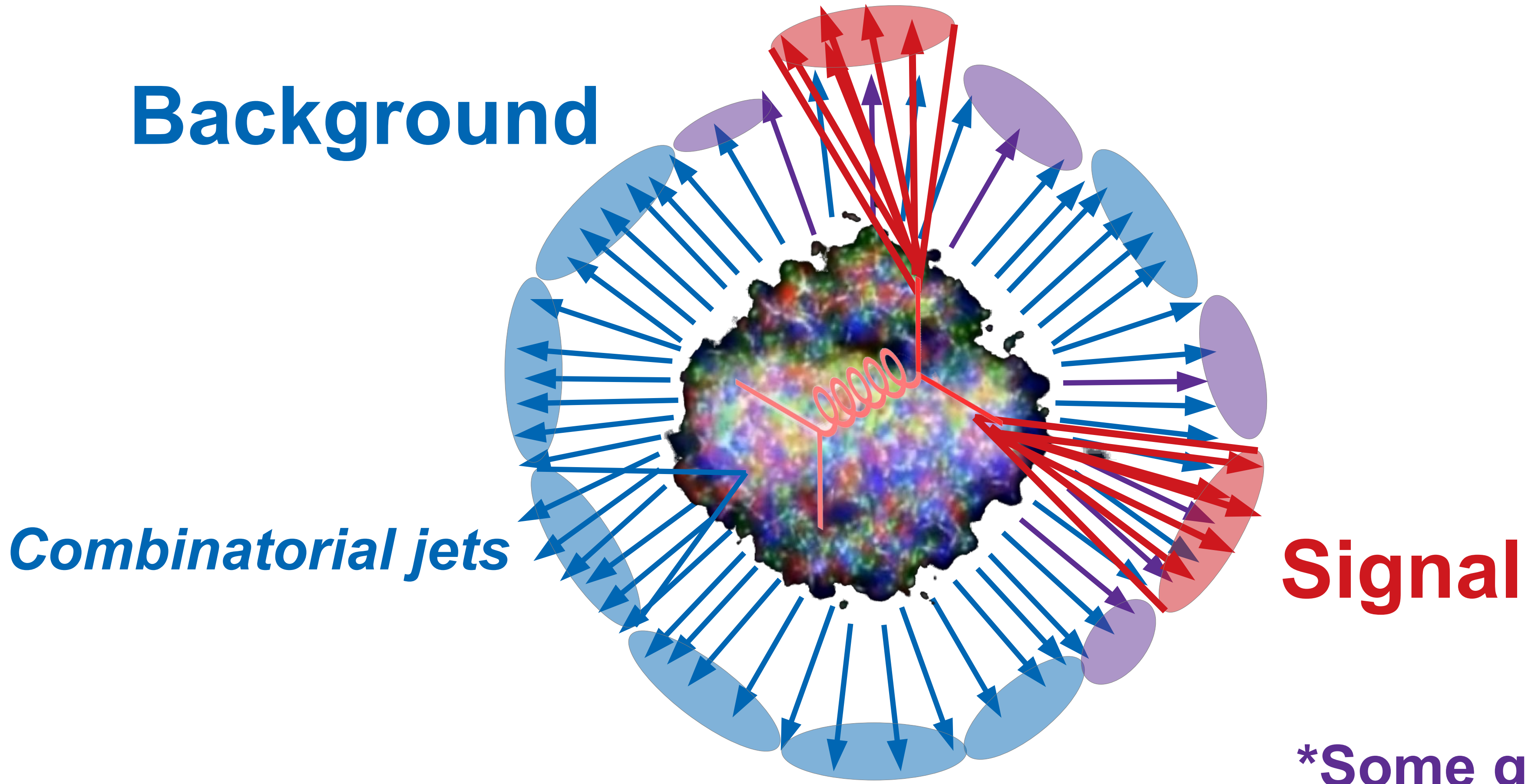


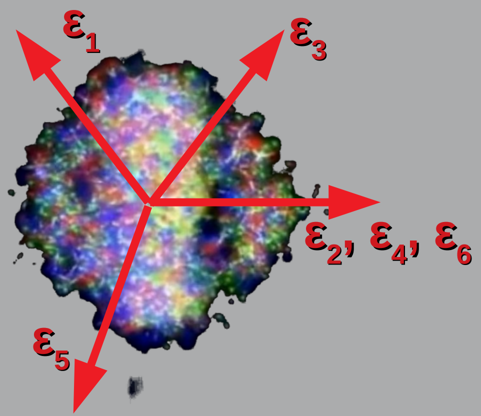
*Some gray areas

A jet is what a jet finder finds.

2. Models

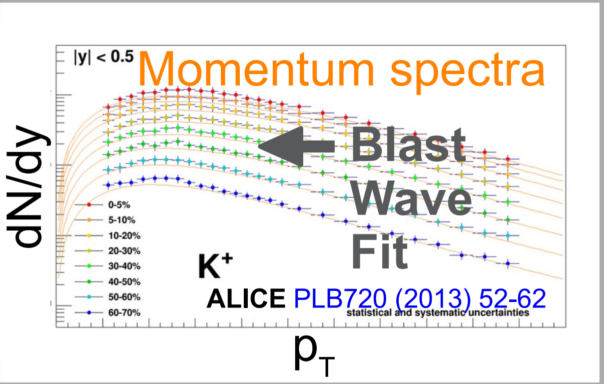
TennGen background generator

Event properties

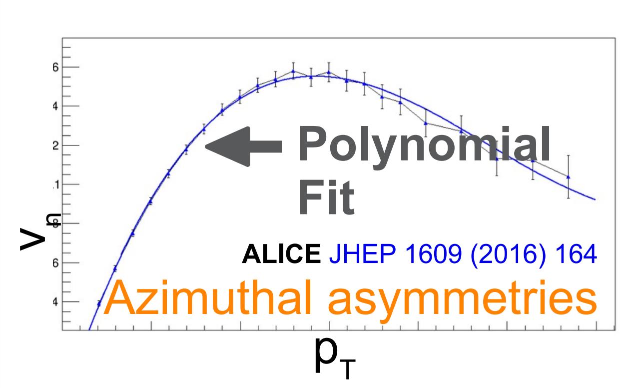


- Even event planes fixed at Ψ=0
- Odd planes at random φ
- Multiplies from ALICE PRC88 (2013) 044910

Track properties



→ Random p_T



→ v_n → Random φ

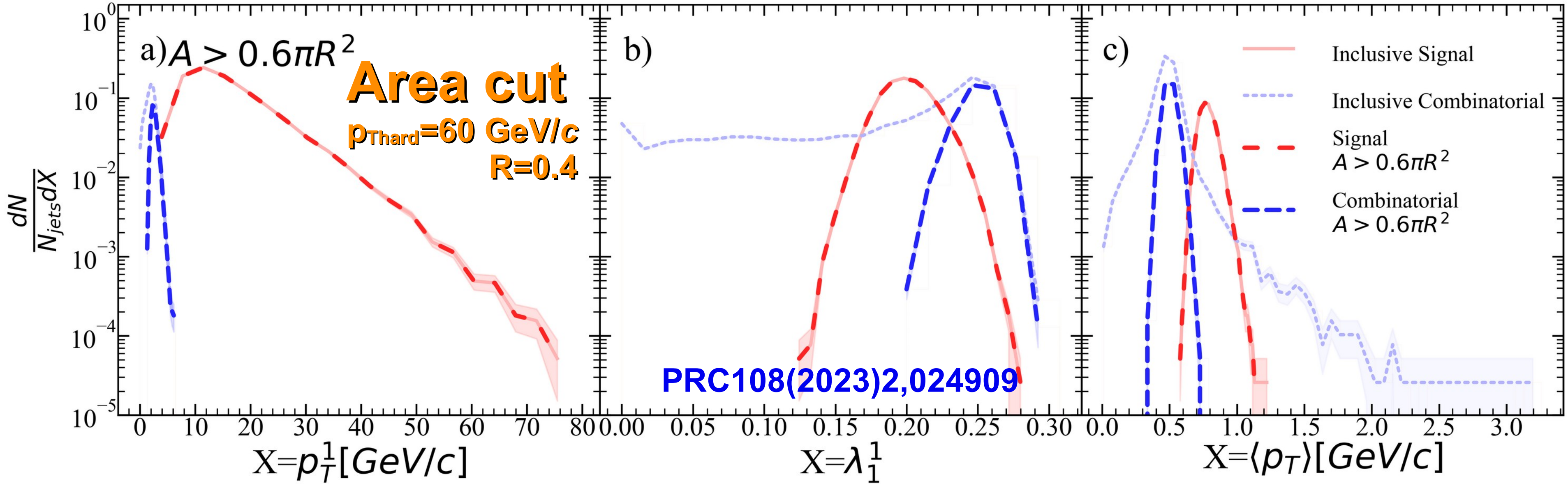
No jets! No resonances
Emulates hydro correlations

Mix TennGen with PYTHIA

- Merge PYTHIA *pp* collisions into TennGen heavy ion background
- Find charged anti-k_T jets in merged event and geometrically match them back to PYTHIA jets
- Use matched PYTHIA jet momentum as ground truth

3. Background and signal overlap

What happens to jet properties when you cut background?



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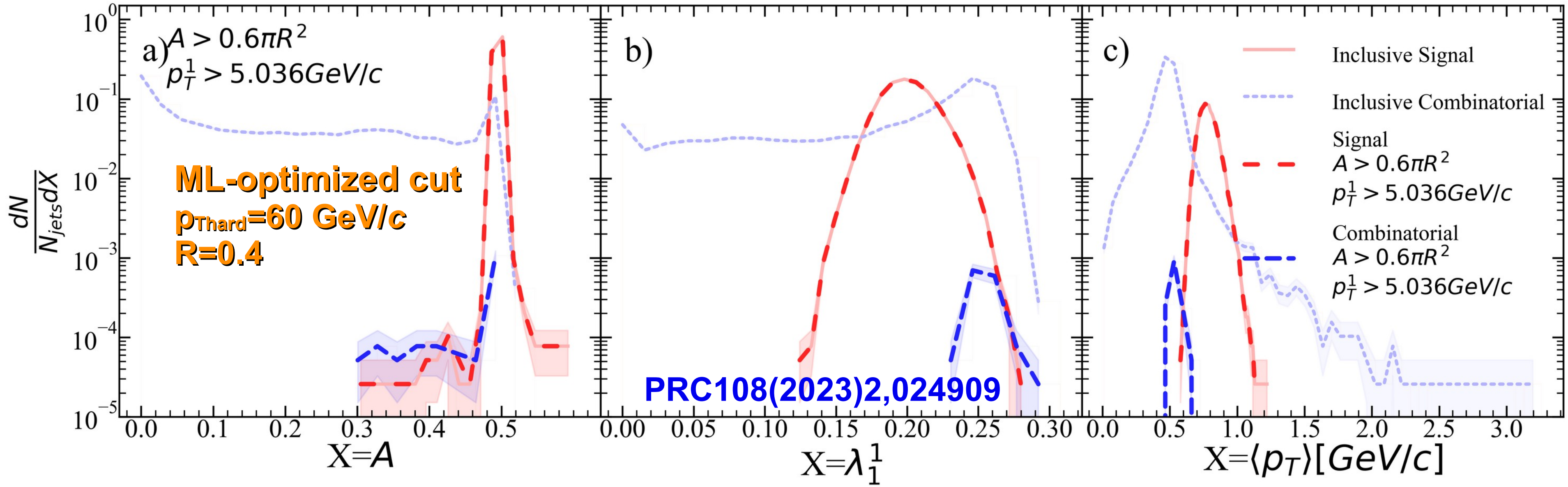

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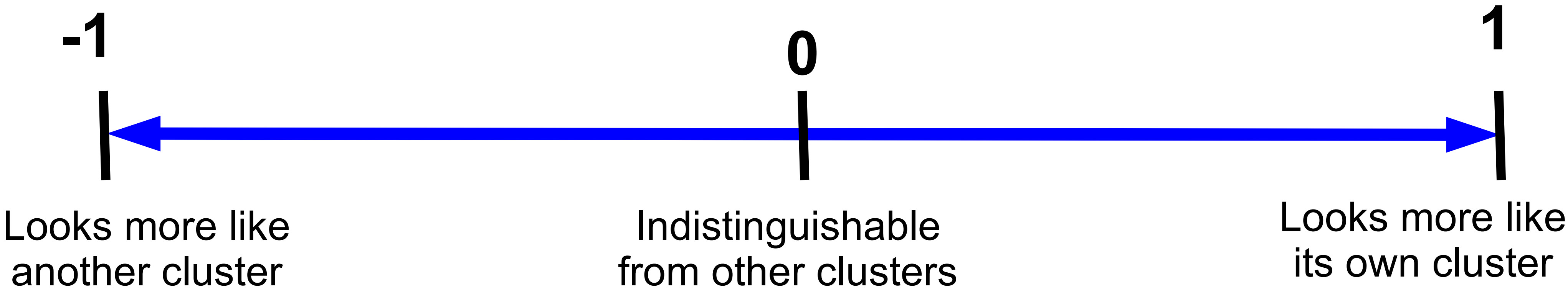
Silhouette Values

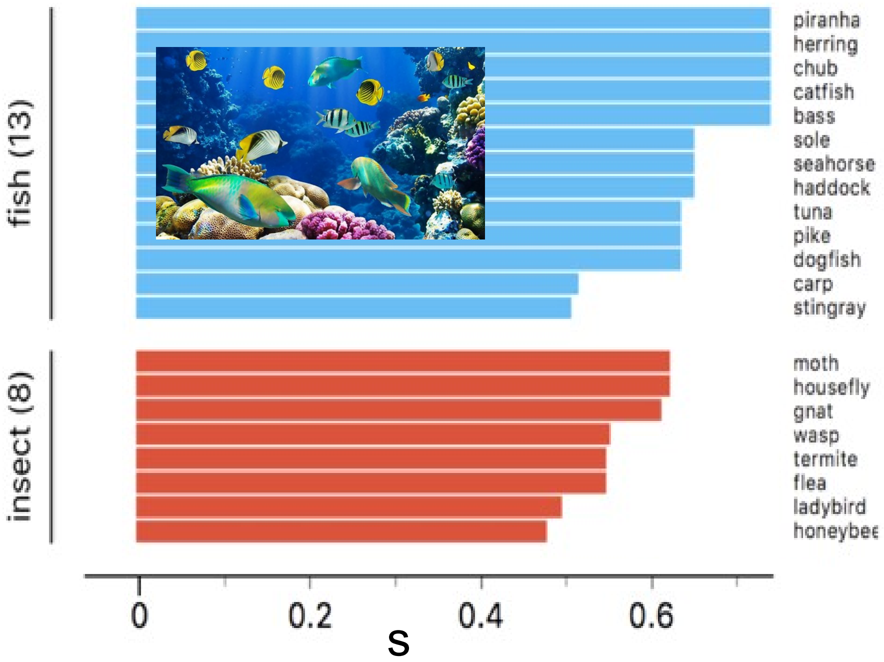
- Average distance between a jet candidate and other jet candidates in its cluster (signal or background) $a_i = \langle d_{i,j} \rangle_{j \neq i}$
- Average distance between jet candidate and jet candidates in the other cluster $b_i = \langle d_{i,j} \rangle$
- Silhouette value

$$s_i = \frac{b_i - a_i}{max[b_i, a_i]}$$

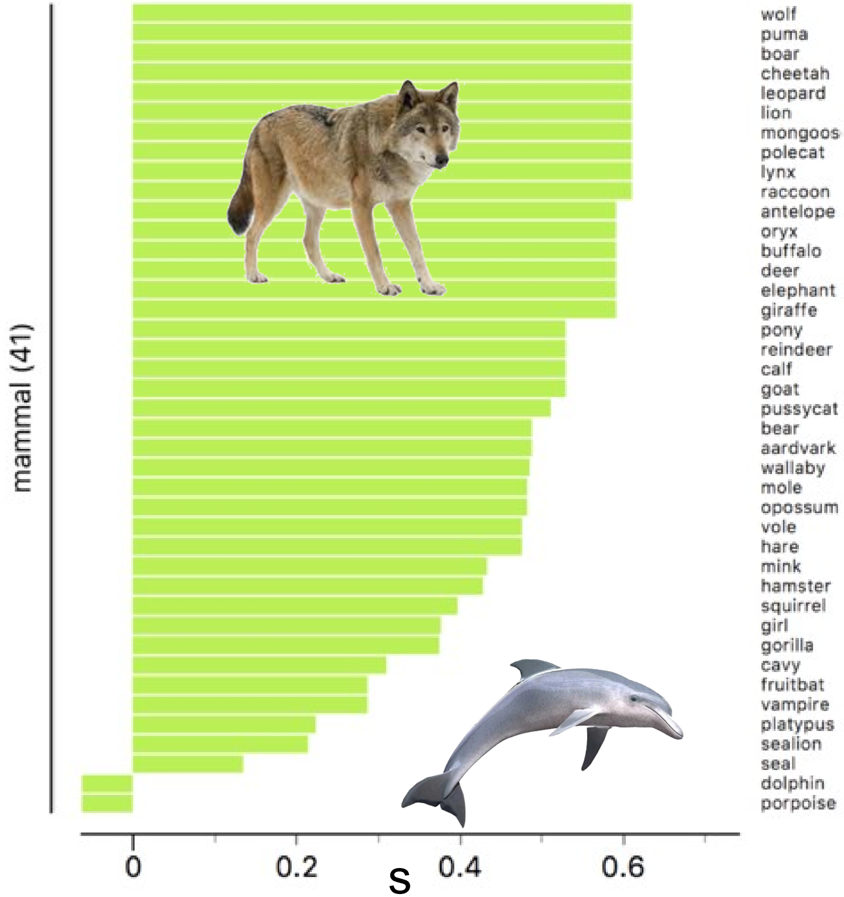


Silhouette values

Example from Wikipedia



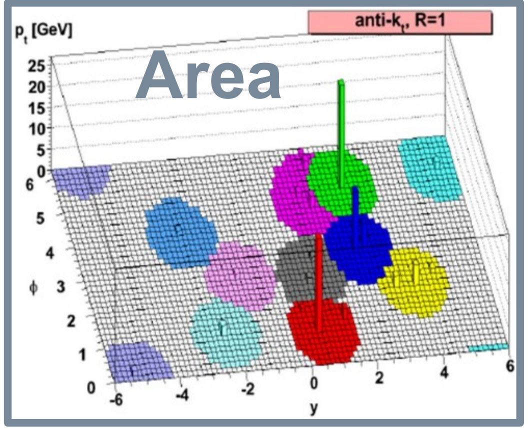
Silhouette scores from three types of animals rendered by Orange data mining suite.



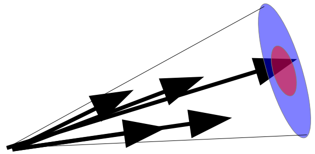
Silhouette Values

- Define a distance between two jet candidates to determine how similar they are

$$d_{i,j}=\sqrt{\left(\frac{A_i-A_j}{A^{max}-A^{min}}\right)^2+\left(\frac{\alpha_i-\alpha_j}{\alpha^{max}-\alpha^{min}}\right)^2+\left(\frac{\langle p_T\rangle_i-\langle p_T\rangle_j}{\langle p_T\rangle^{max}-\langle p_T\rangle^{min}}\right)^2+\left(\frac{p^L_{T,i}-p^L_{T,j}}{p_T^{L,max}-p_T^{L,min}}\right)^2}$$

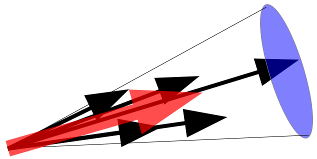


Angularity

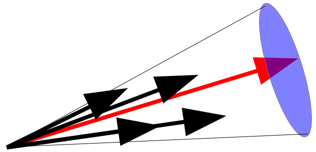


$$\alpha=\frac{1}{p_T^{jet}}\sum_k z_k\left(\vec{R}_k\right)$$

Average p_T



Leading p_T



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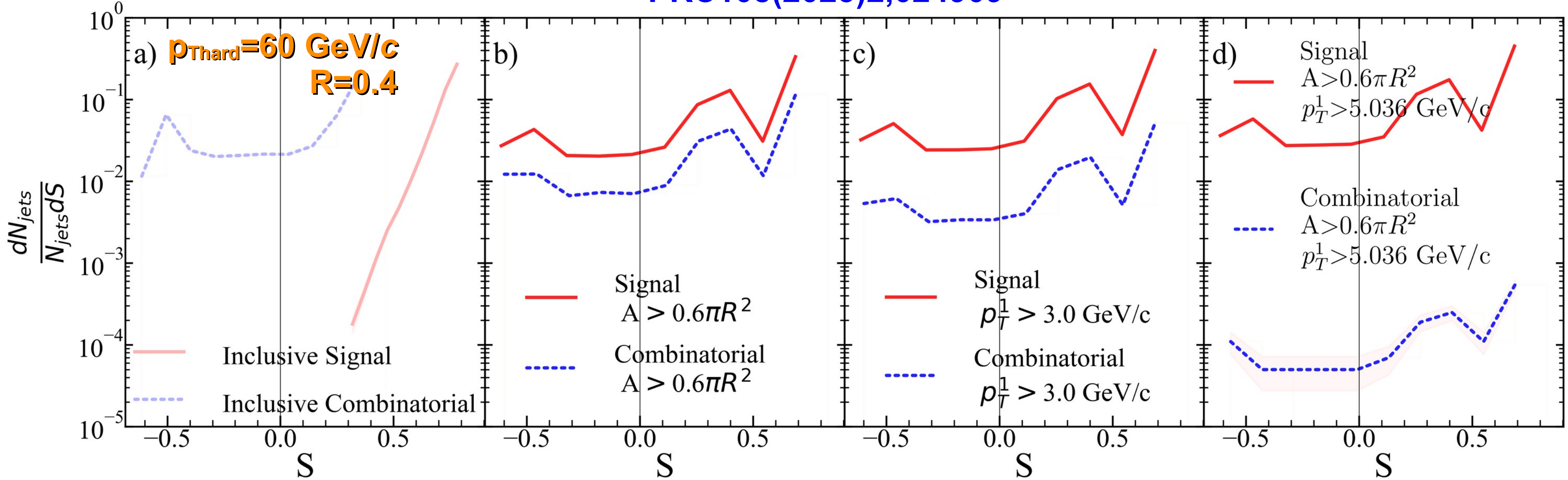
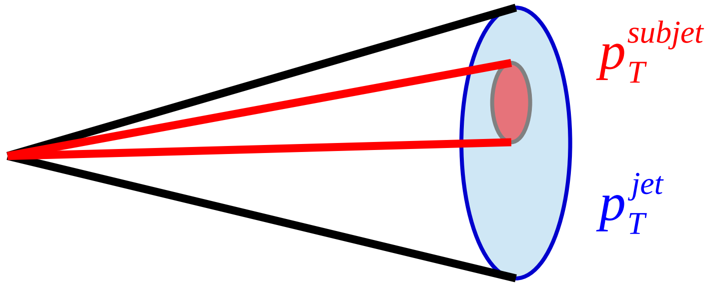


Yes, you can cut background, but it comes at a cost. Background jets which look like signal remain.

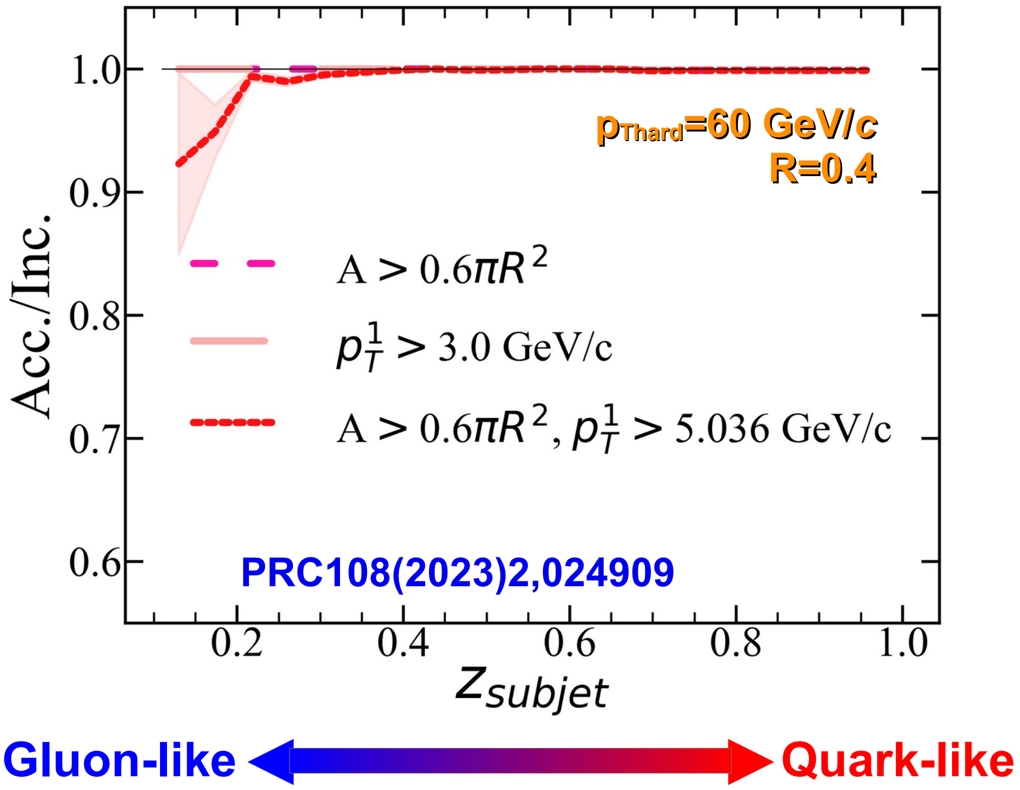
What’s left is biased towards quark-like jets



$$z_r = \frac{p_T^{subjet}}{p_T^{jet}}$$

Subjet z

Calculated using PYTHIA particles only



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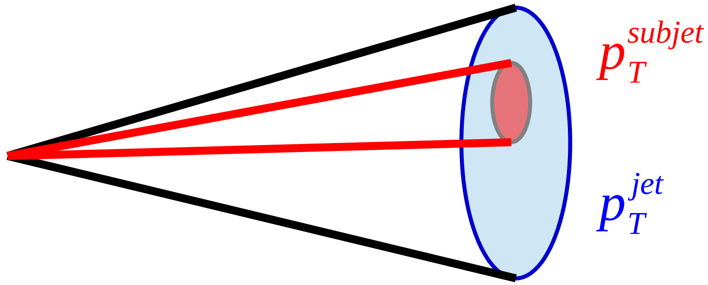

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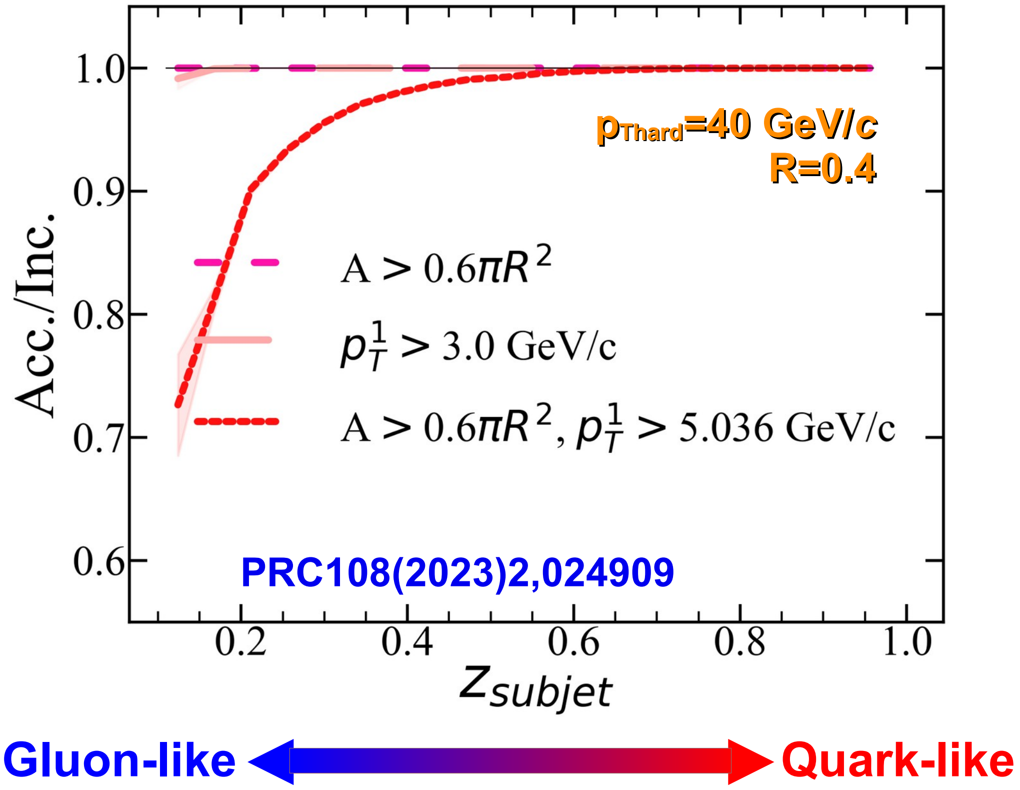

Survivor bias

First use of the term for jets in heavy ion collisions?

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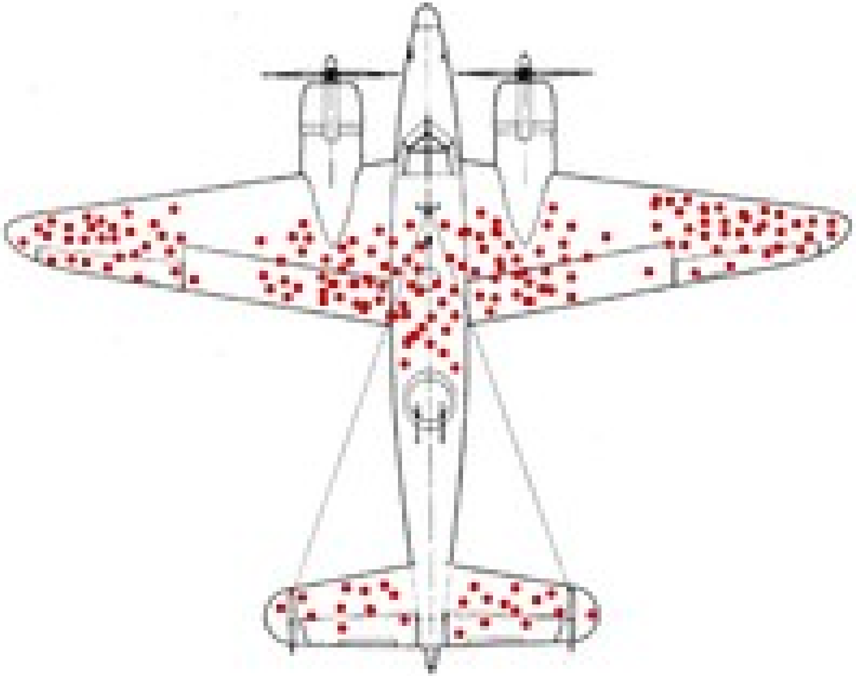
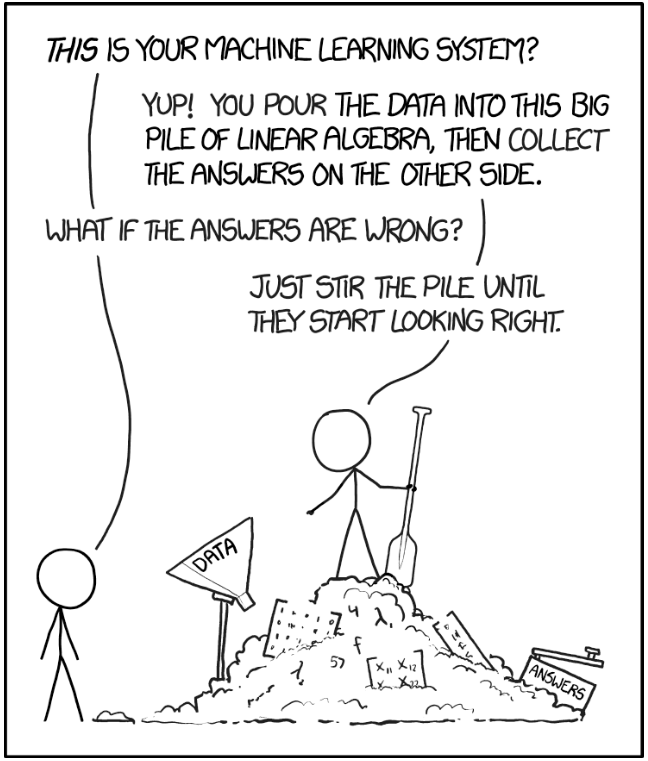


- WWII Example: holes planes returning indicate where it’s *safer* to get hit
- We’re looking at the jets which *remain*

4. Machine learning only teaches you what you already know!



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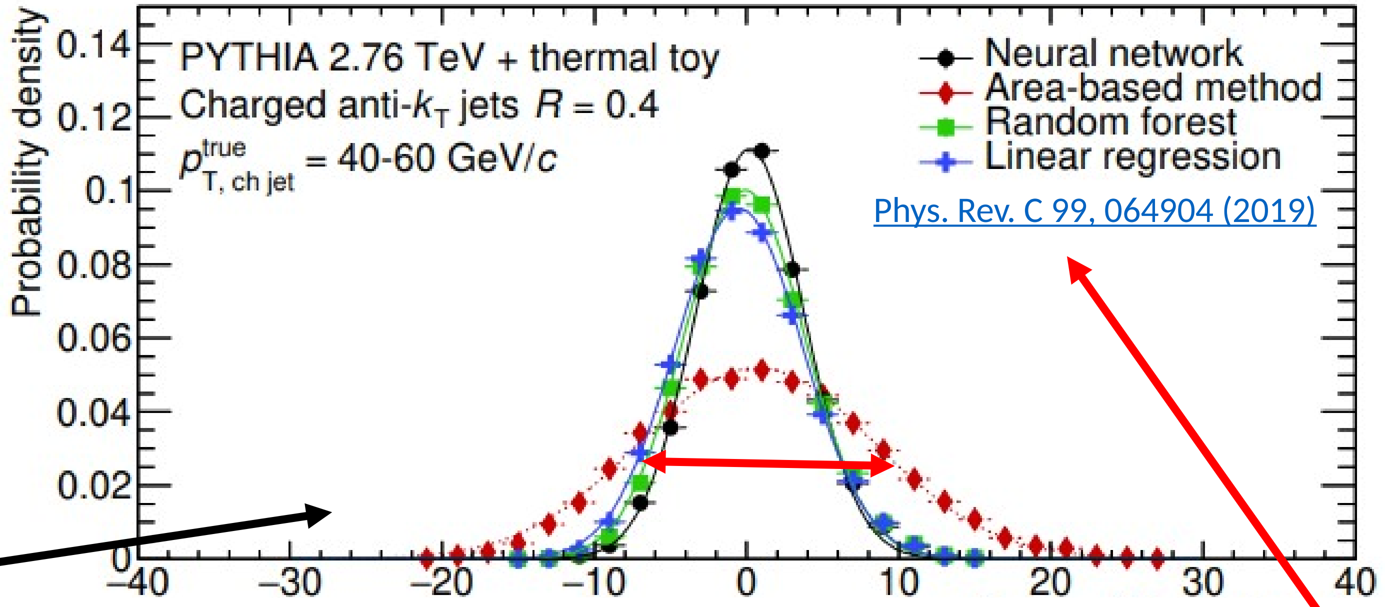

$$\delta\, p_T = \left(p_{T,jet}^{pred.} - p_{T,jet}^{truth} \right)$$

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Applied to data in
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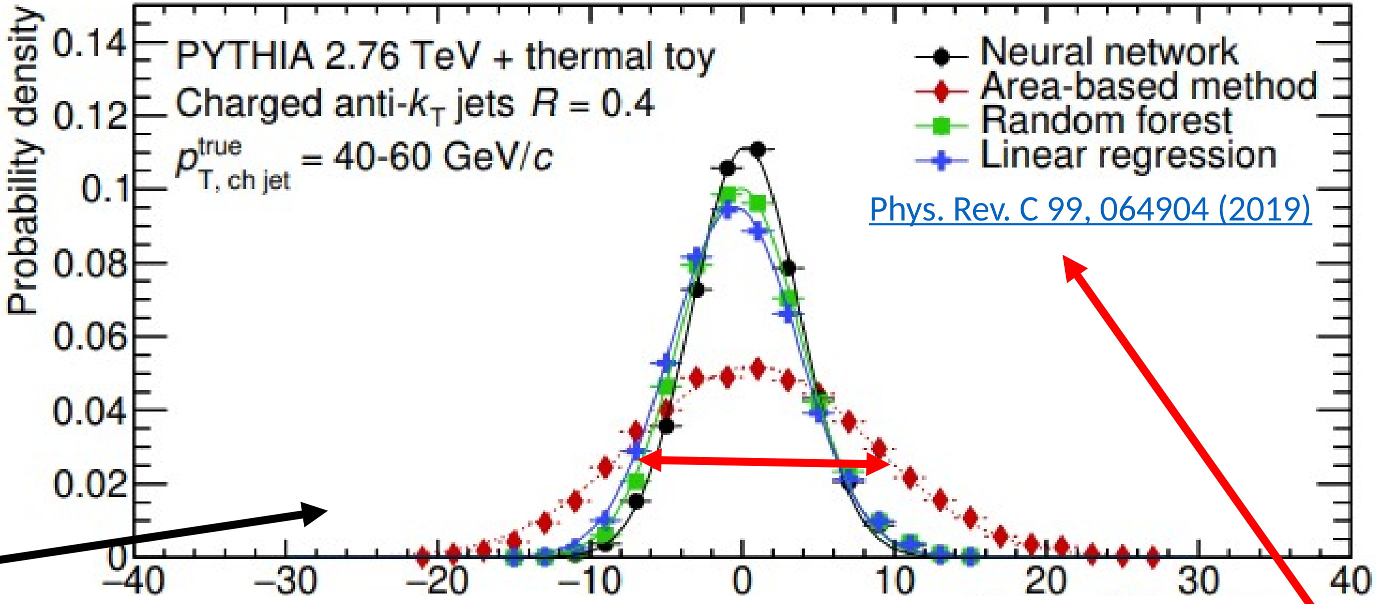

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A better method?

- Random cone:

Also confirmed in
PRC 106, 044915 (2022)

$$p_T^{corr} = p_T^{raw} - \rho_A A$$

$$\sigma_{total} = \sqrt{N\sigma_{p_T}^2 + \left(N + 2N^2 \sum_n v_n^2\right)\mu_{p_T}^2}$$

Tannenbaum, PLB(498),1–2,Pg.29-34(2001)

- Multiplicity method:

$$p_T^{corr} = p_T^{raw} - \rho_N \left(N_{tot} - N_{sig}\right)$$

$$\sigma_{total} = \sqrt{N\sigma_{p_T}^2}$$

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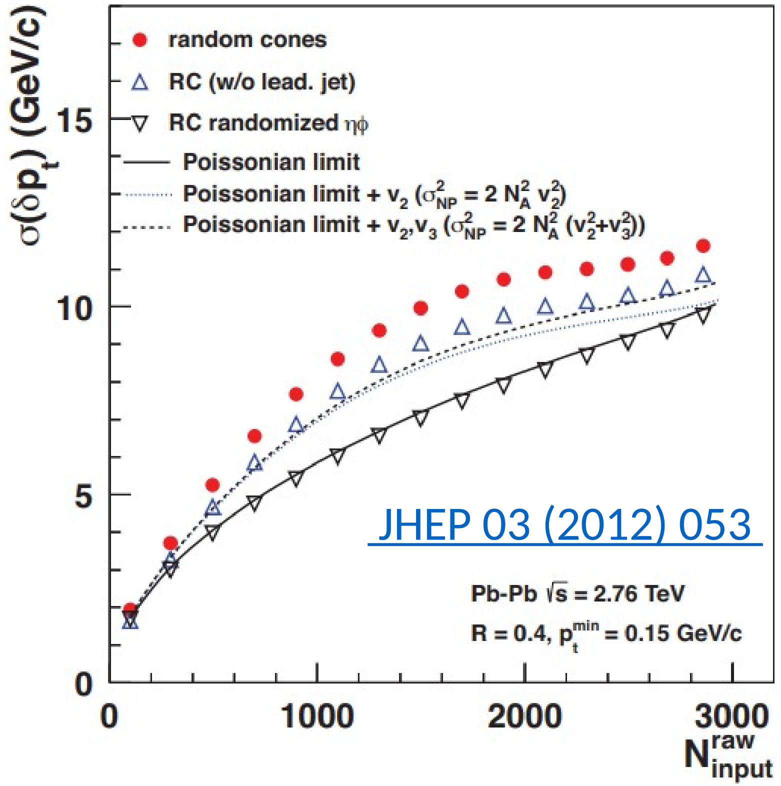

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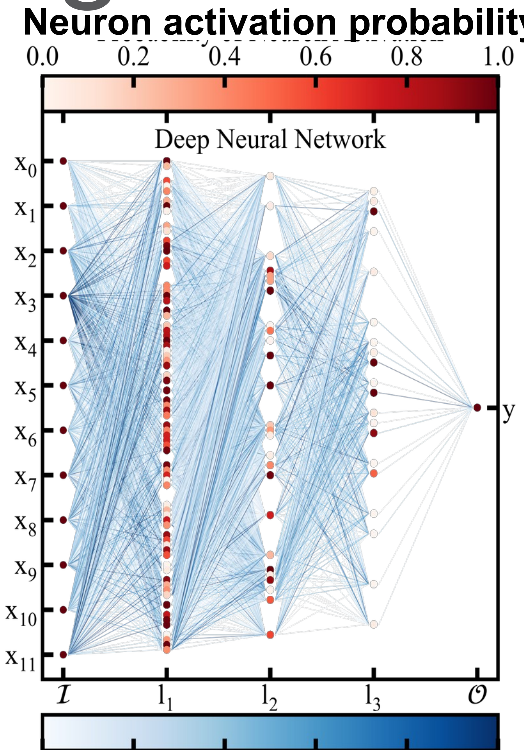
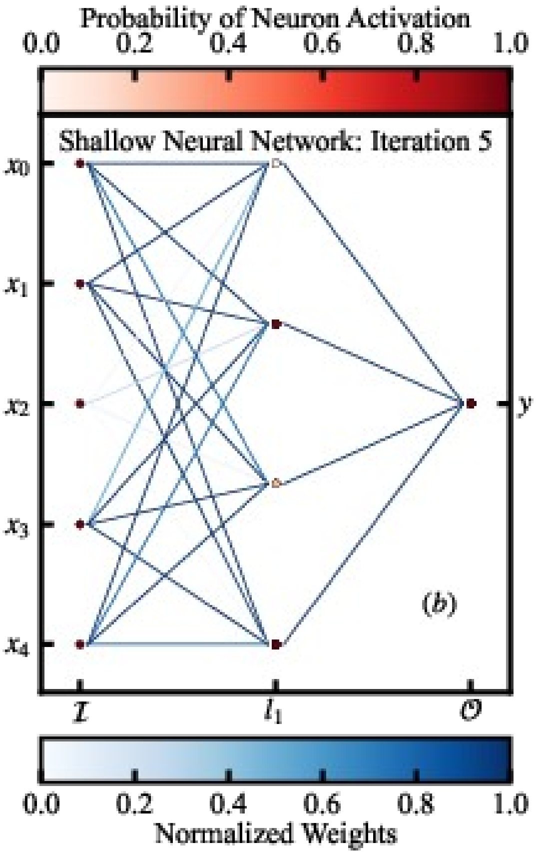
Trimming the network





Information flows forward from layer to layer
Nodes are connected by weights

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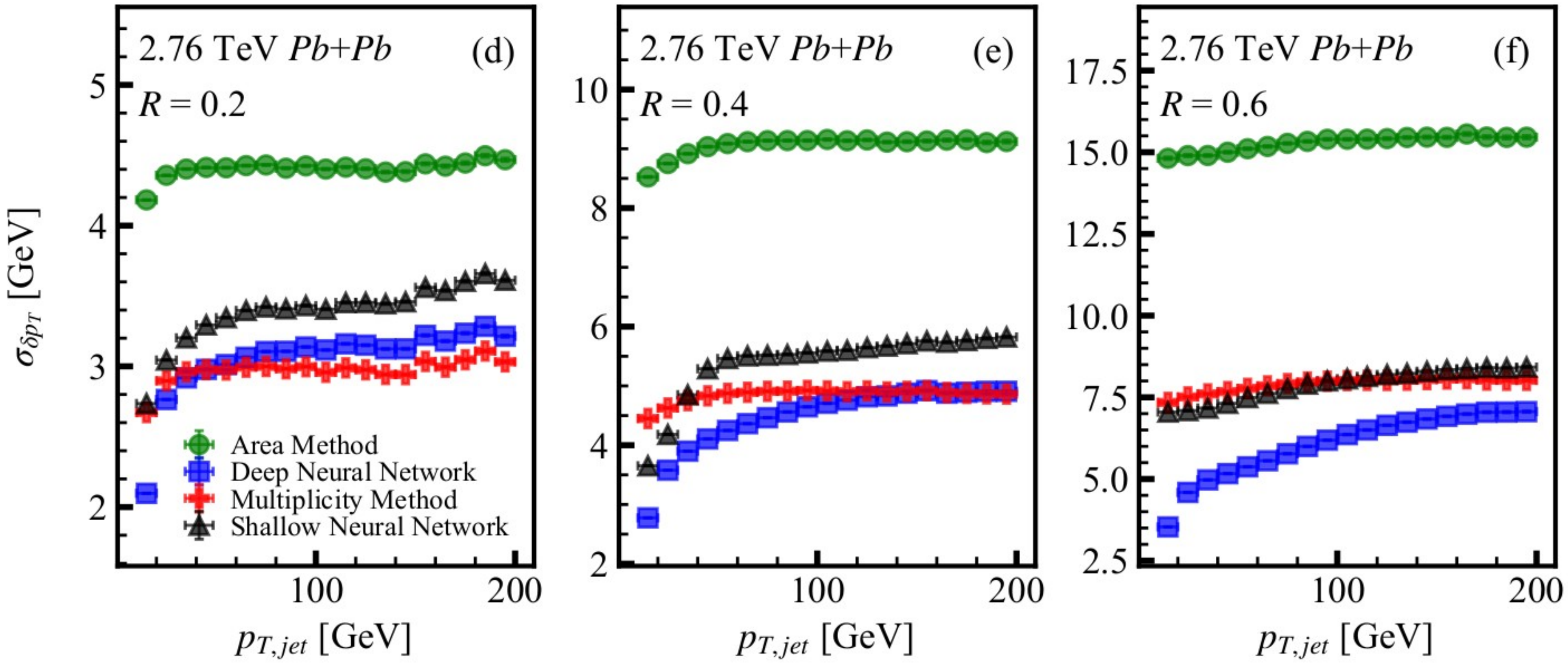
Algorithm Performance



Symbolic regression

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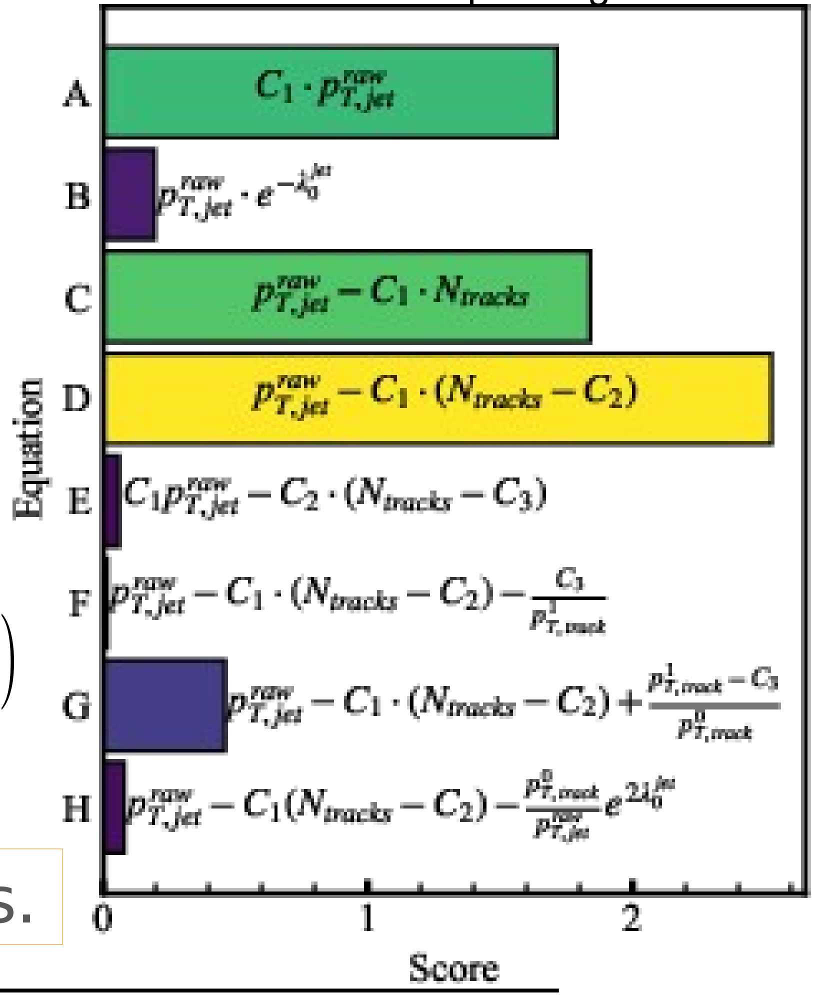
- Analytical approximation
- Trained on **all input jet features** with exponential, trigonometric, and arithmetic operations.
- **The best result was a linear combination**.

Jet multiplicity

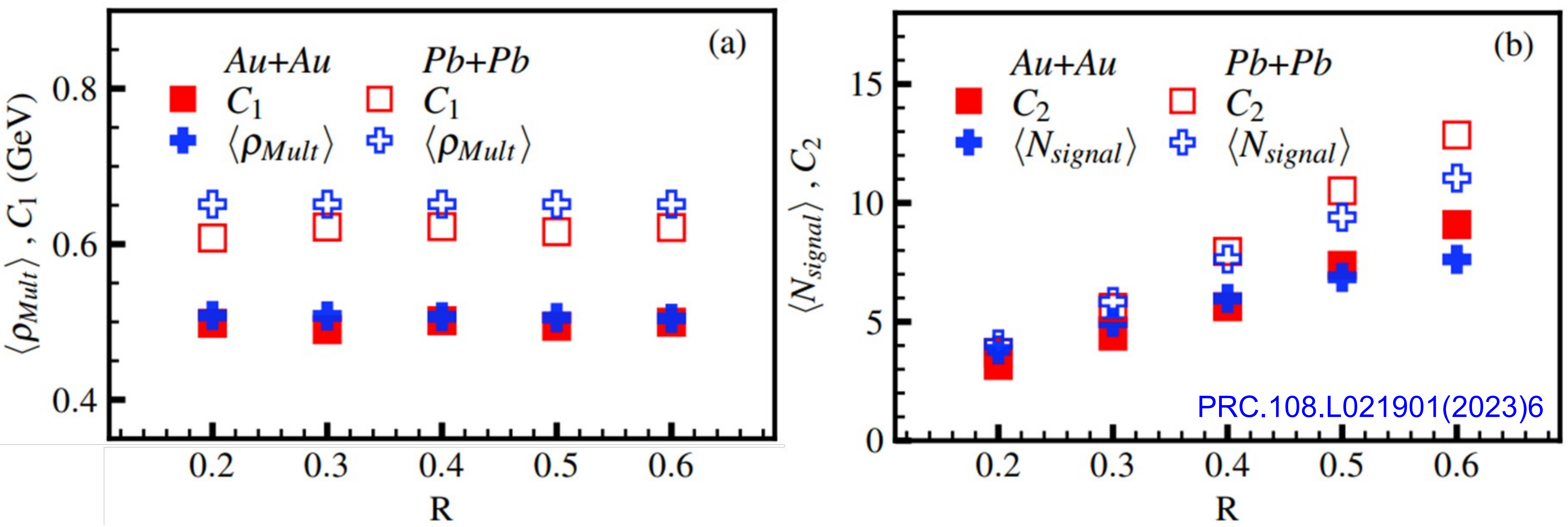
$$p_T^{corr.} = p_T^{raw} - C_1 \cdot (N - C_2)$$

Learned optimization constants.



Neural network ≈ Multiplicity method

- Constants learned by PySR are approximately the terms used in multiplicity background subtraction method.



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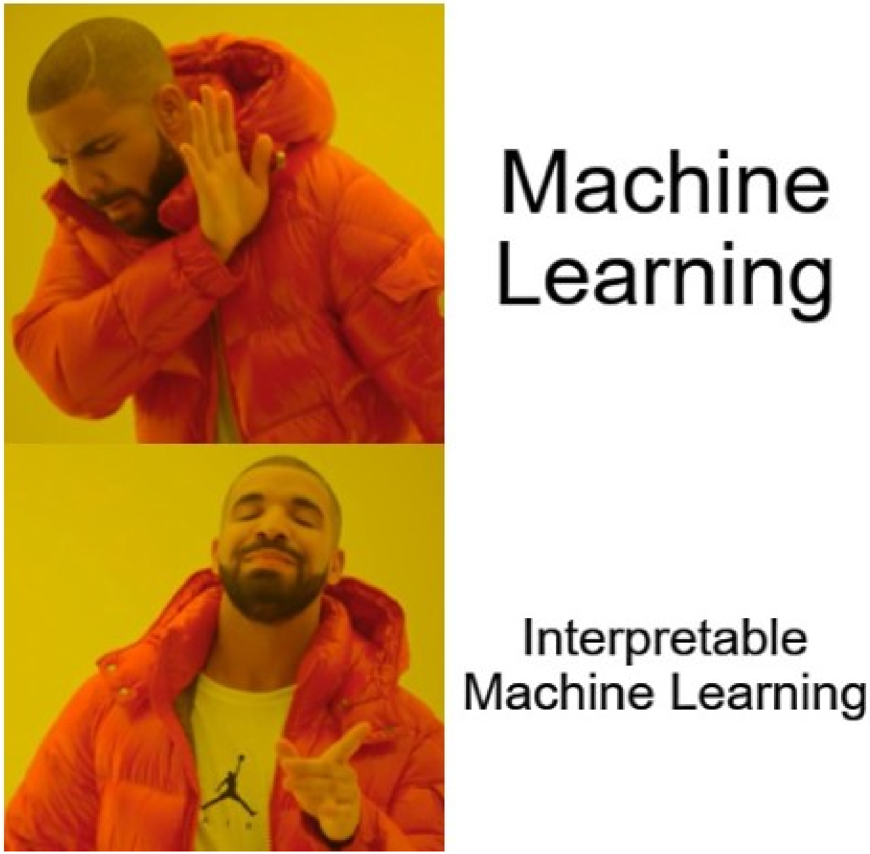

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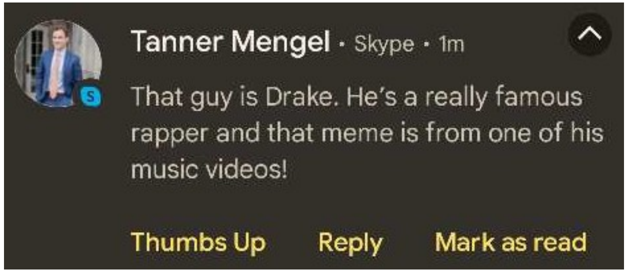
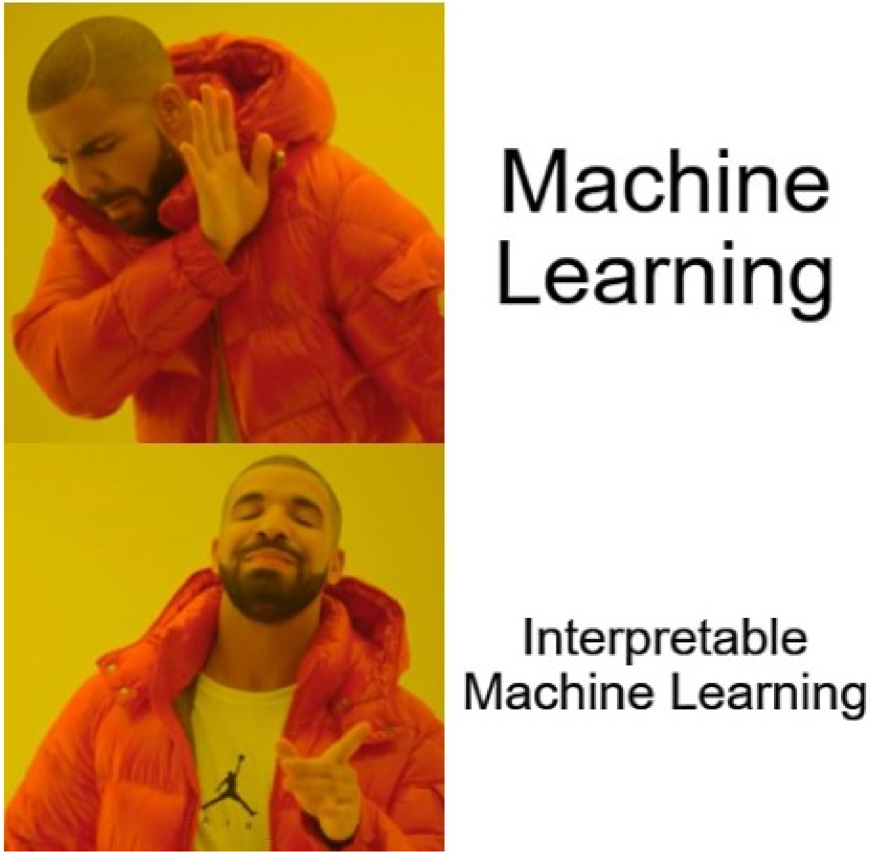
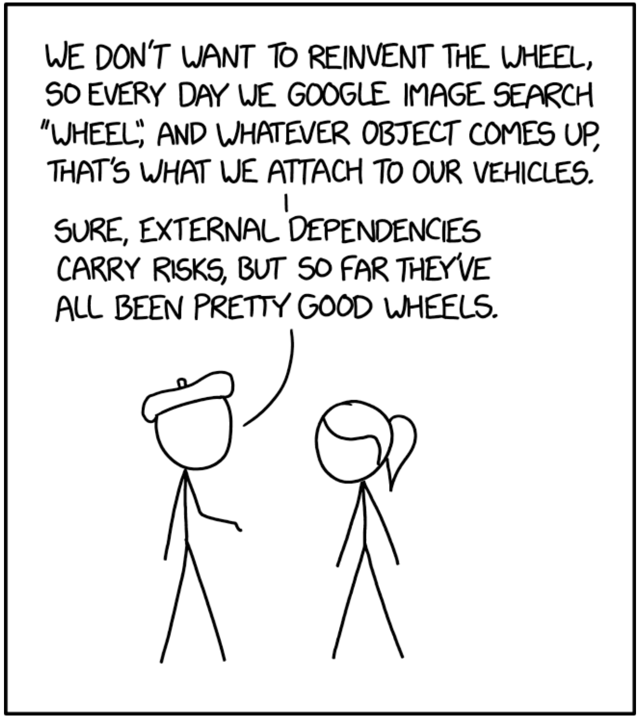




5. How should you compare to models?



Analysis steps

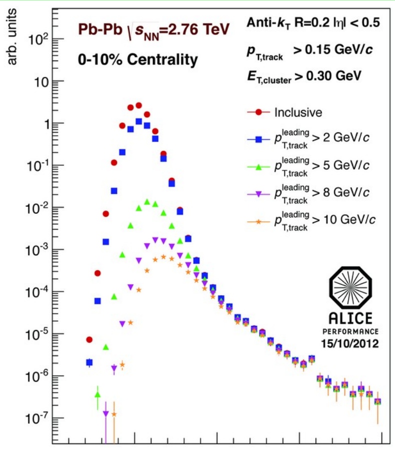
Tracks

Clusters

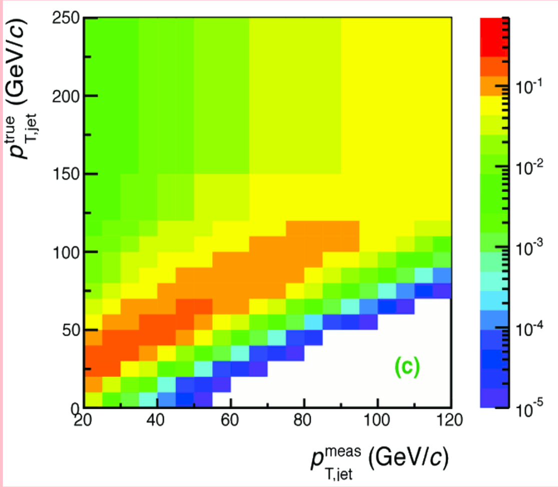
Jet finding algorithm

Jet candidates

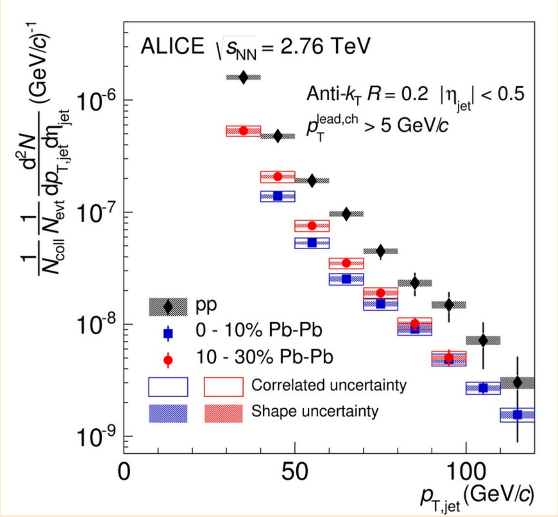
Background subtraction



Jet spectrum smeared by energy resolution, background fluctuations



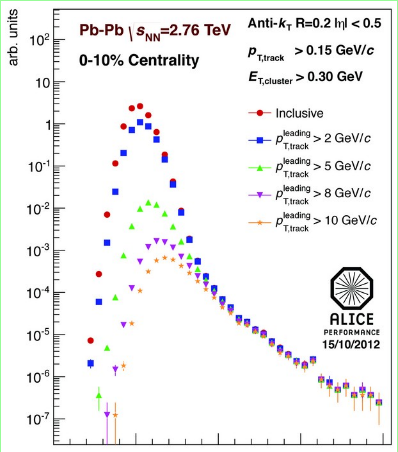
Unfolding – corrects for single track reco ε, E resolution, background fluctuations



Corrected spectra

Analysis steps: Full Monte Carlo

Particles → Jet finding algorithm → Jet candidates → Background subtraction



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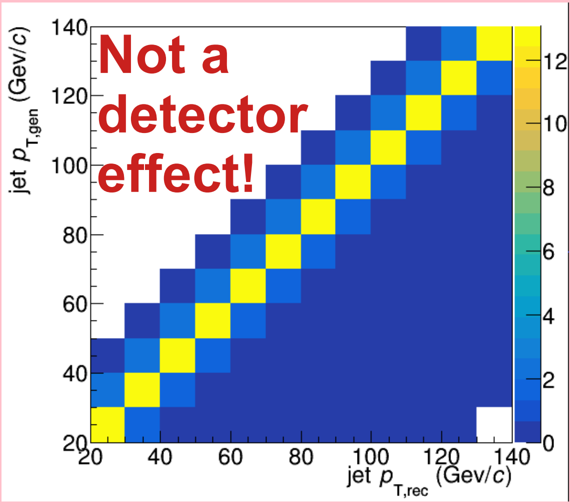

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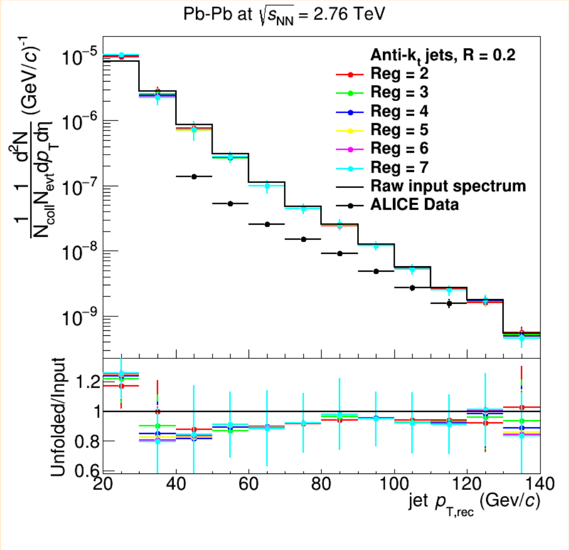

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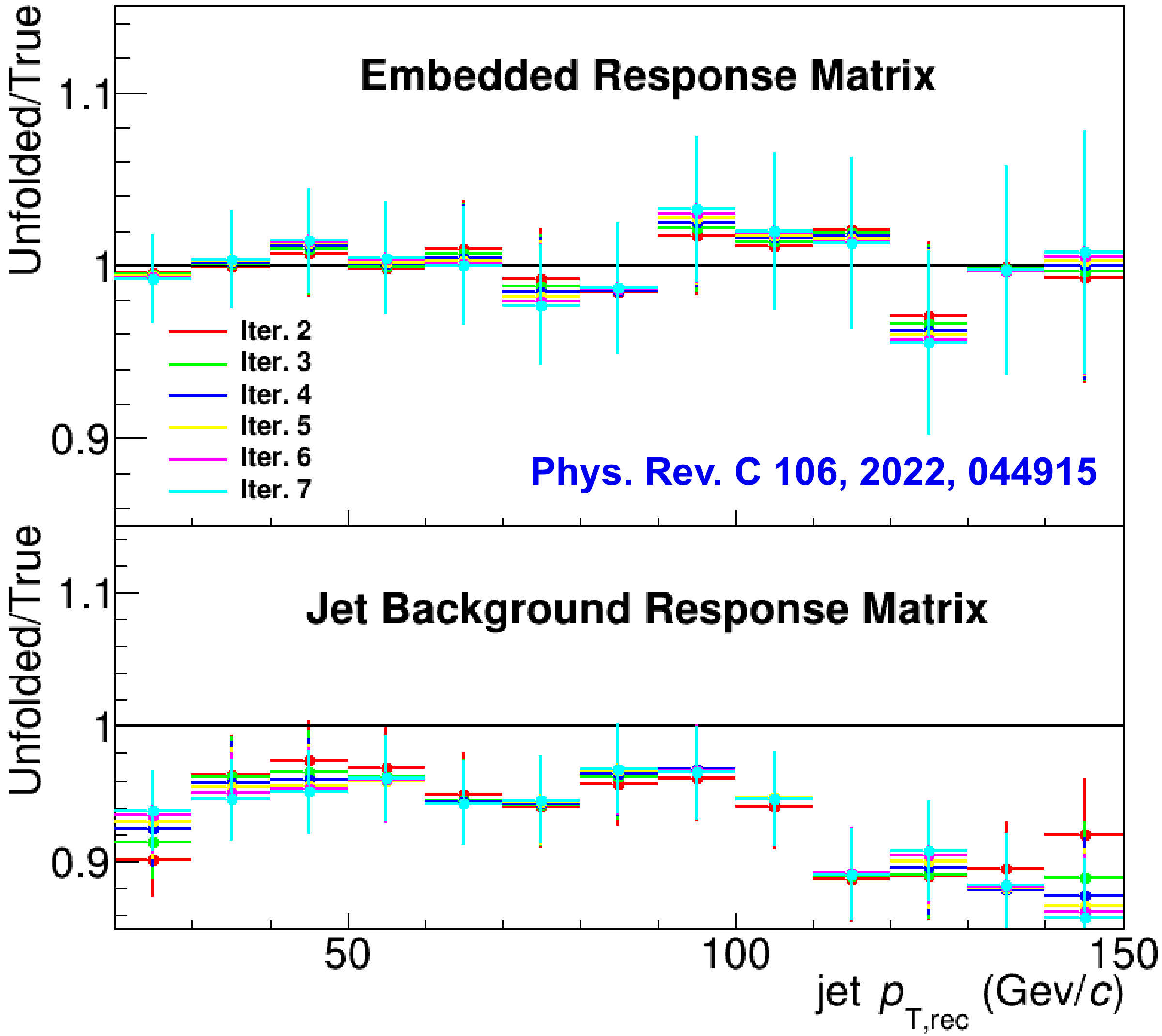

Closure

- Methods
  - Use δp_T method to measure width of fluctuations with varying numbers of leading jets (LJ) discarded
  - Embed PYTHIA event into heavy ion event
- **Only embedding leads to full closure in Monte Carlo**

ATLAS

Background subtraction method:

- Iterative procedure
  - **Calorimeter jets:** Reconstruct jets with R=0.2. v_2 modulated <Bkgd> estimated by energy in calorimeters excluding jets with at least one tower with
    $E_{tower} > \langle E_{tower} \rangle$
    Track jets: Use tracks with p_T>4 GeV/c
  - Calorimeter jets from above with E>25 GeV and track jets with p_T>10 GeV/c used to estimate background again.
- Calorimeter tracks matching one track with p_T>7 GeV/c or containing a high energy cluster E >7 GeV are used for analysis down to E_{jet} = 20 GeV

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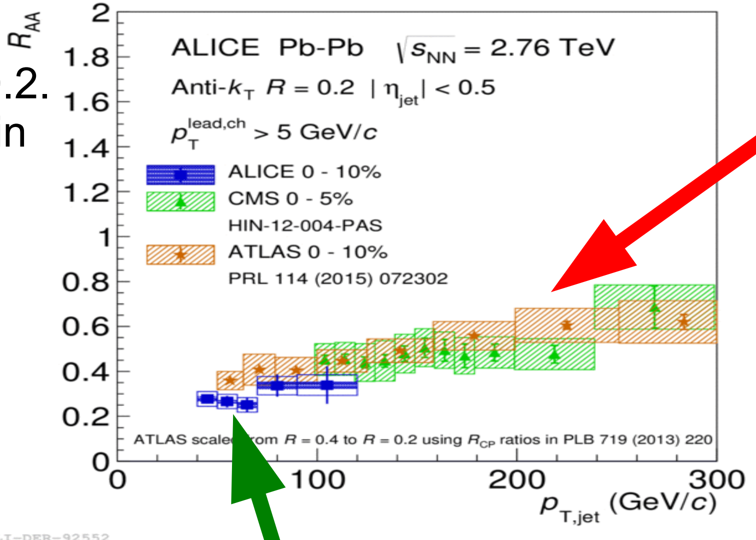

Constituent biases don't matter that much up here

But they do matter down here!

Snowmass Accord: Apply the same algorithm to data and your model. Then the measurement and the calculation are the same.

Rivet: Apply the same algorithm to data and your model. Then the measurement and the calculation are the same.

This is **also** what people have learned in the soft sector in heavy ion collisions.

The Lisbon Accord

- Lisbon Accord proposed that heavy ion analyses adopt RIVET in July 2014

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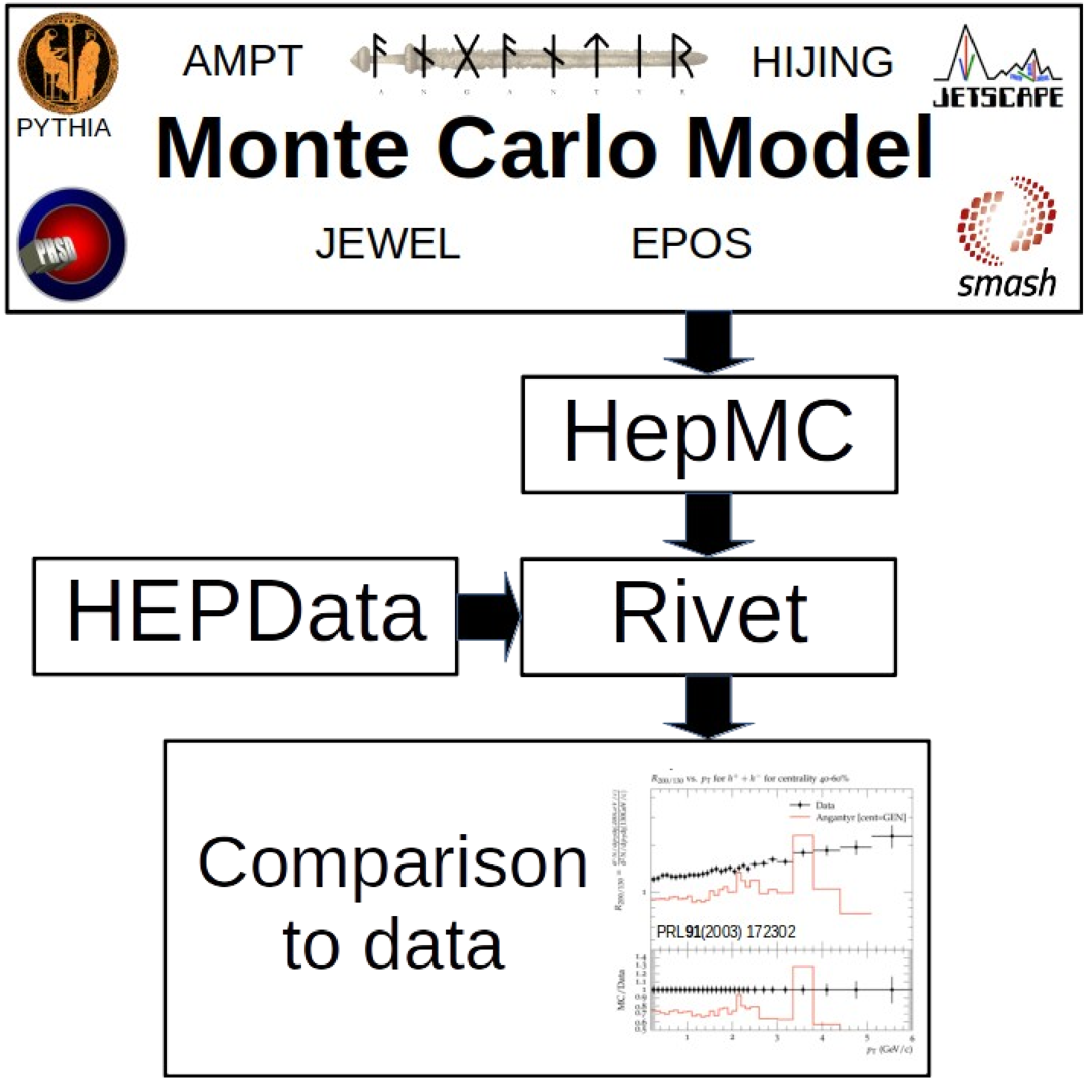
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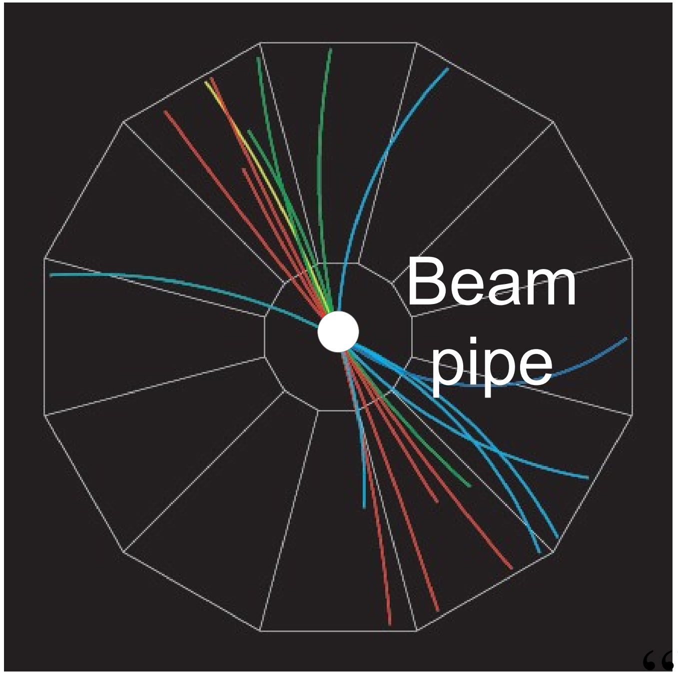
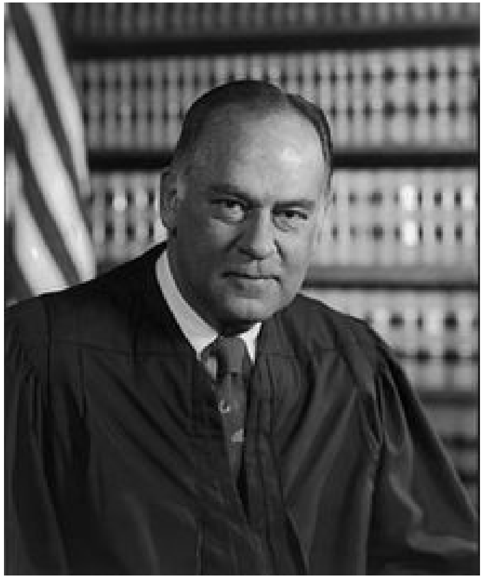
How should you compare to models?
Let’s not reinvent the wheel!

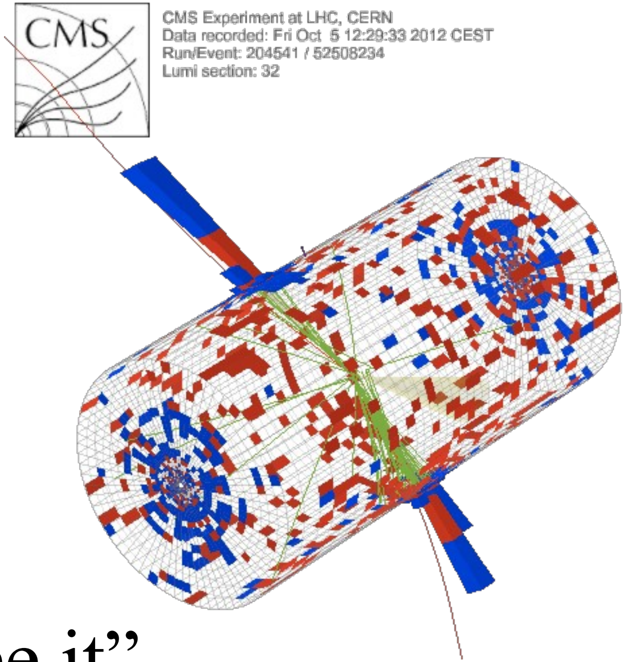
This bike works!

What is a jet?

p+p dijet



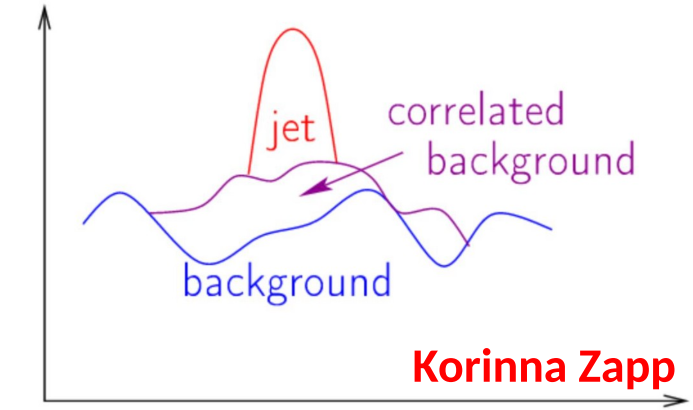


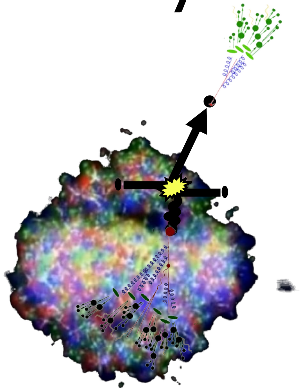


"I know it when I see it"

US Supreme Court Justice Potter Stewart,
Jacobellis v. Ohio

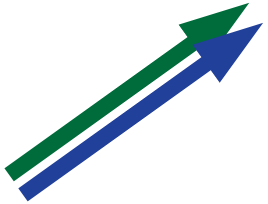
Definition of Jets in a Large Background July 25-27, 2018



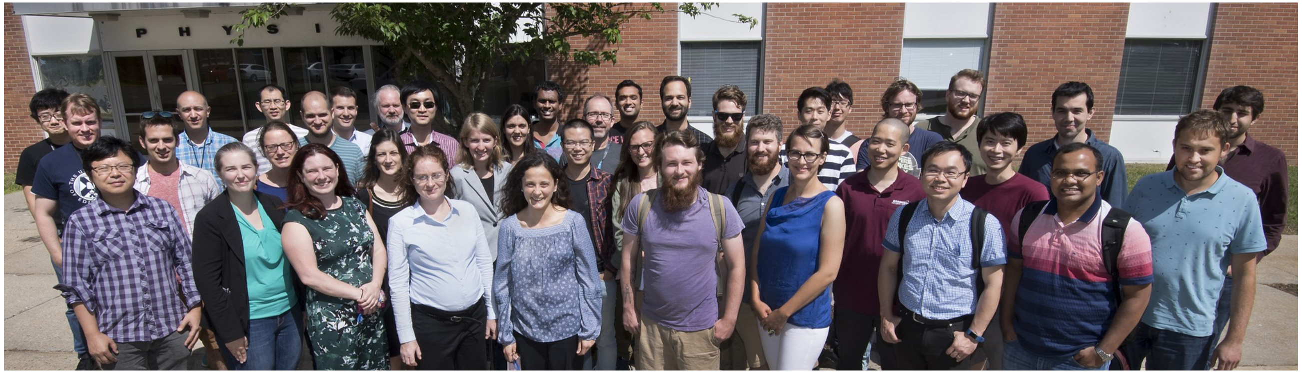


Provide enough details to make comparisons between data and models

Include anything correlated in definition of jet



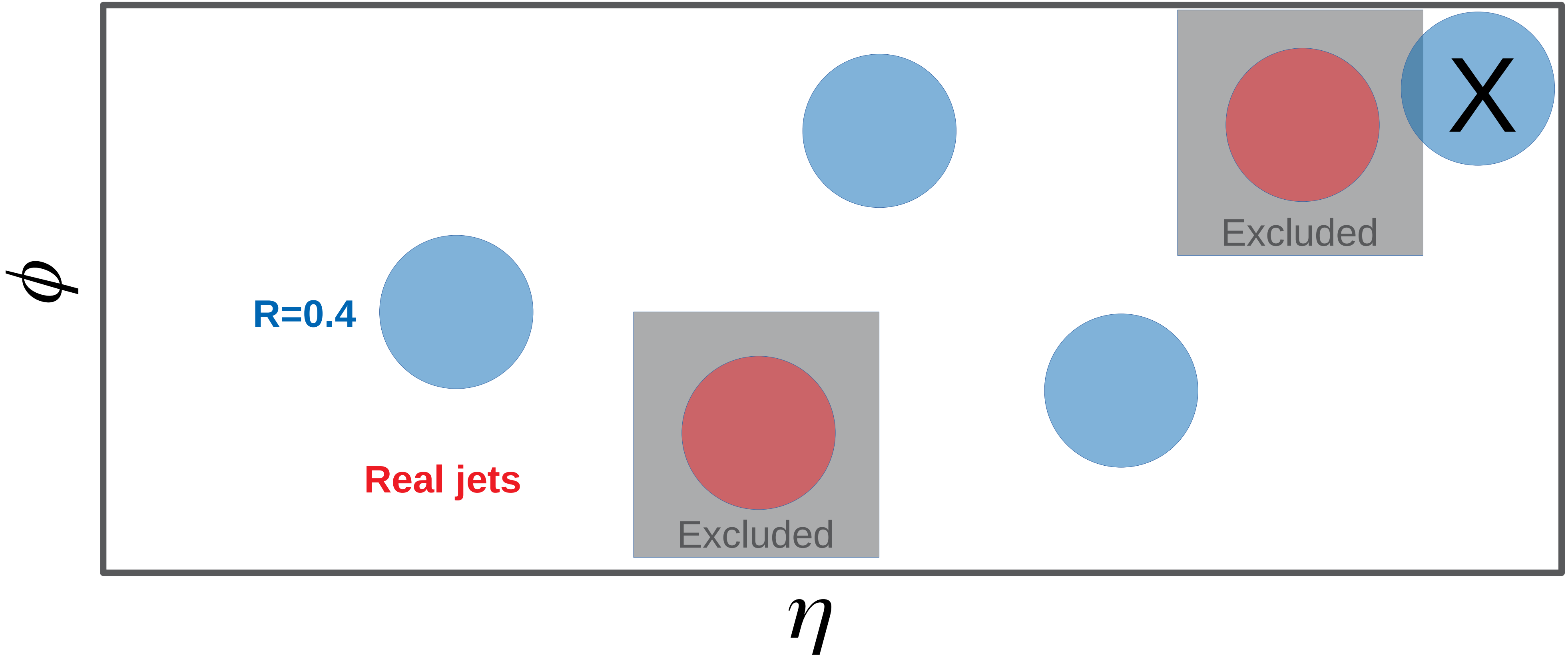
Reconsider role of collinear safety



Discuss and put effort into the problem

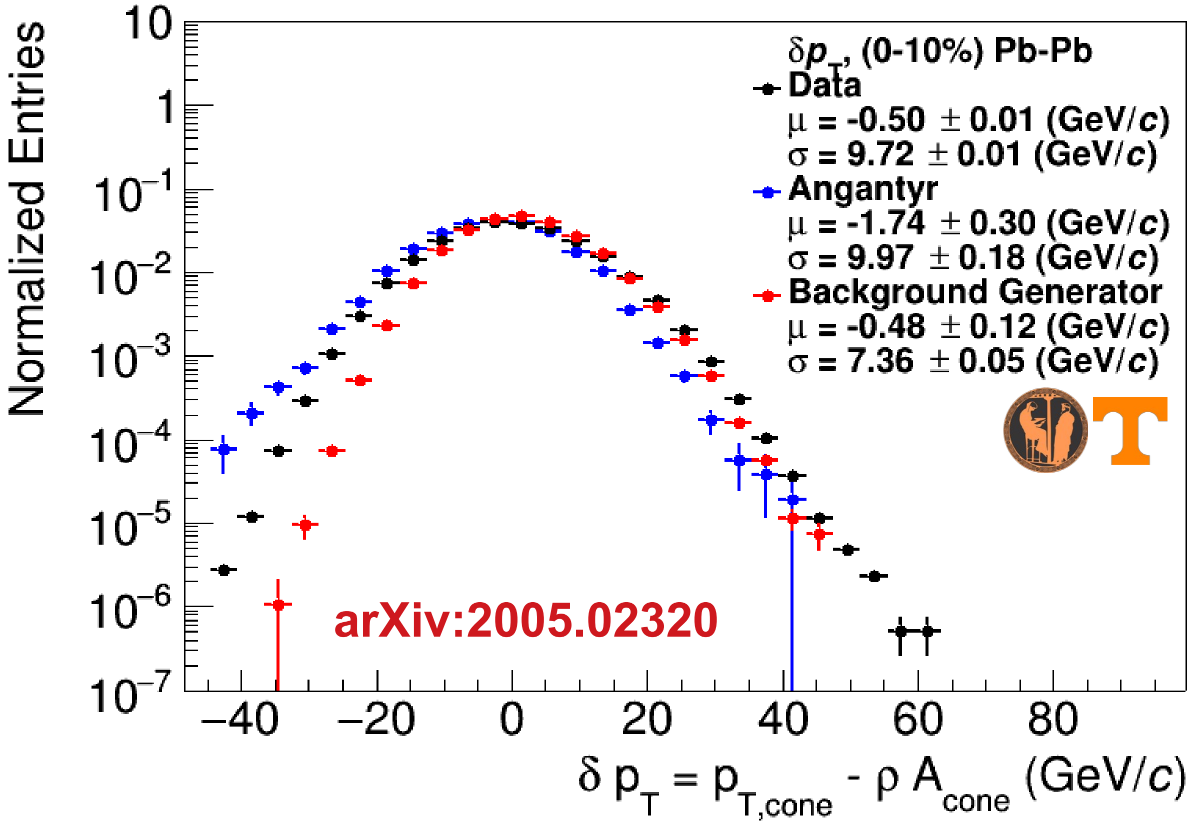
Backup

Random cones



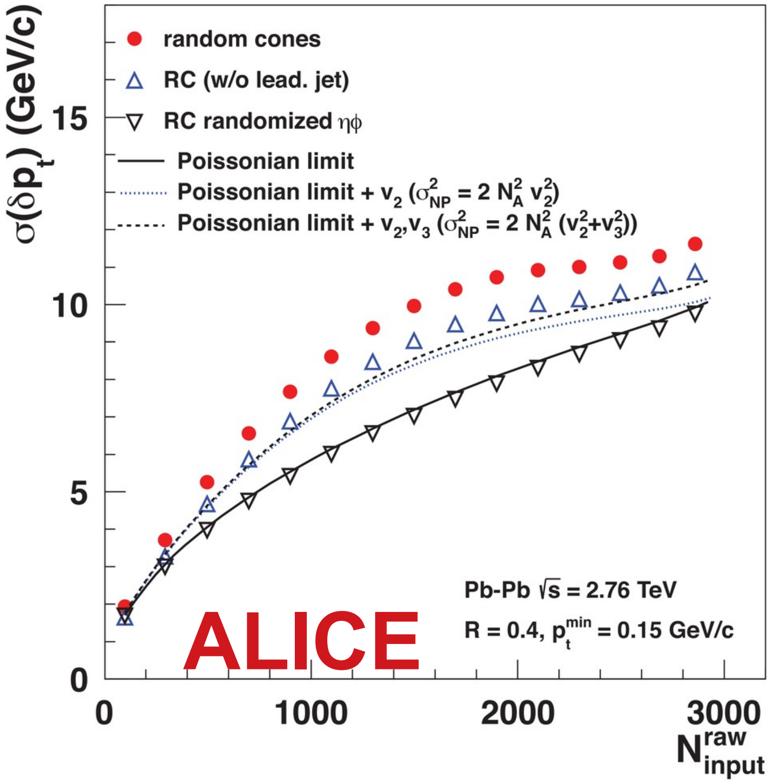
Random cones

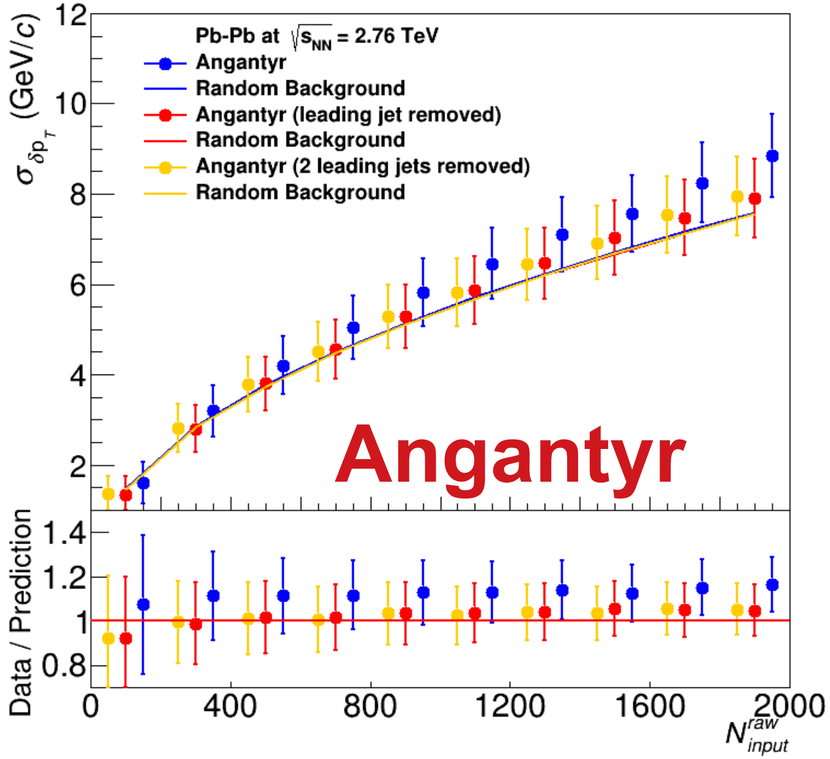
ALICE Data: JHEP 03 (2012) 053



ρ = Median(p_T/A)

Width vs multiplicity





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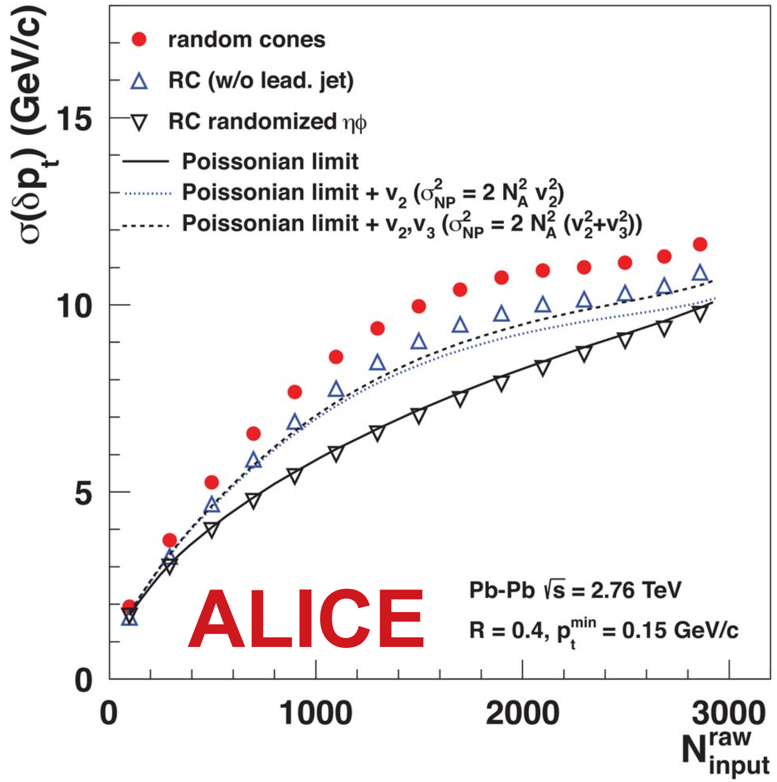
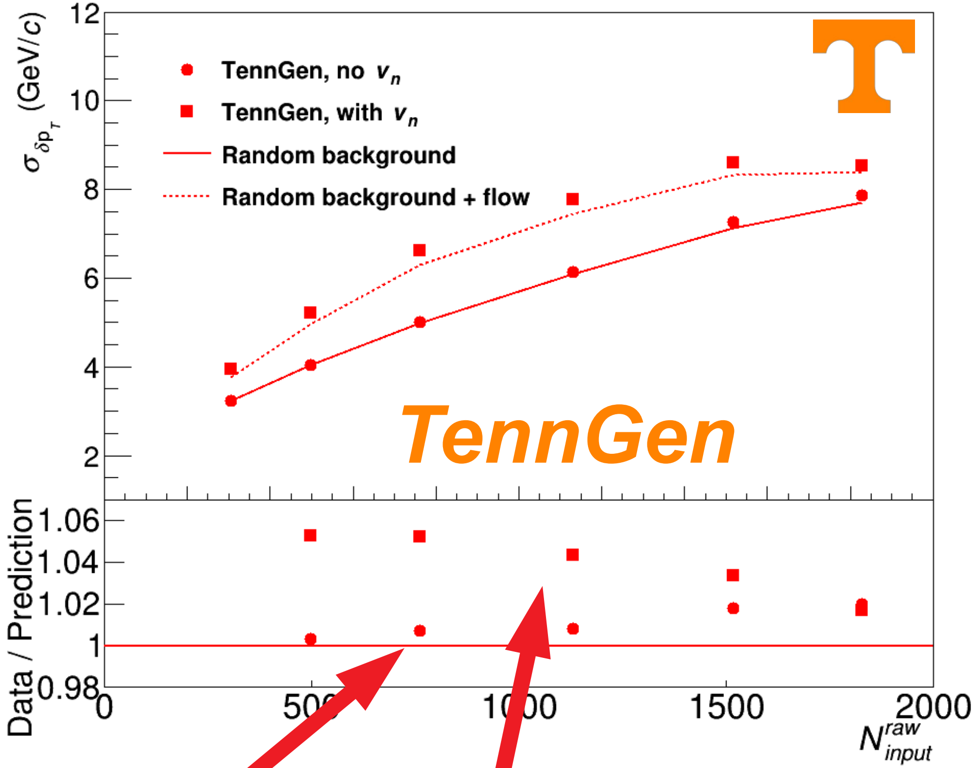
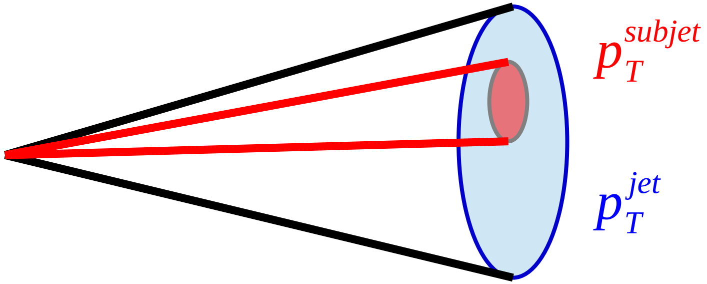




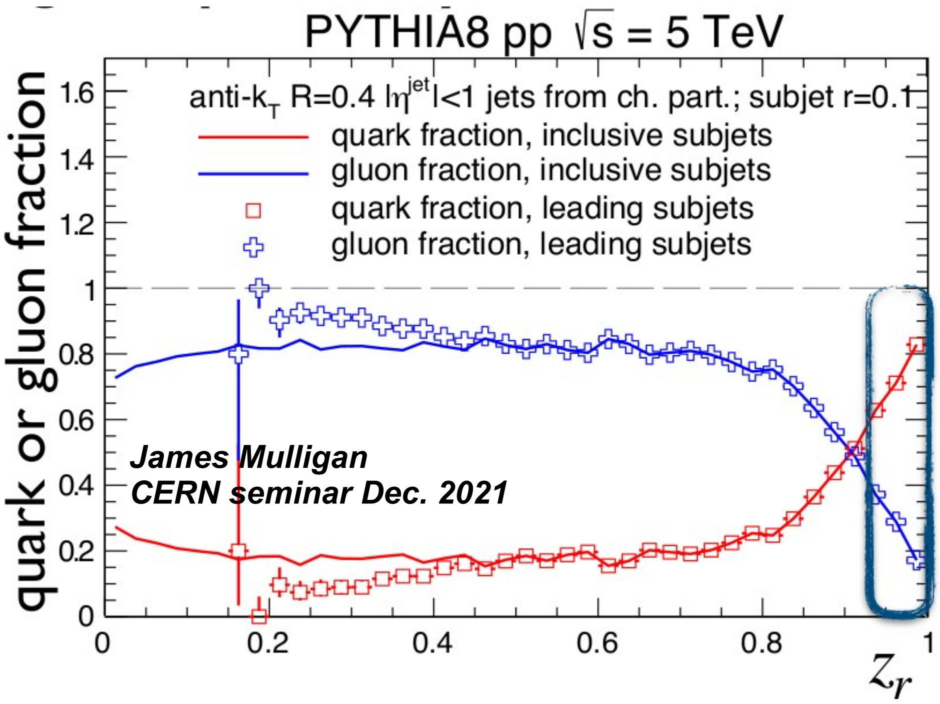
Impact of shape of spectrum

Correlations between event planes

Subjet z

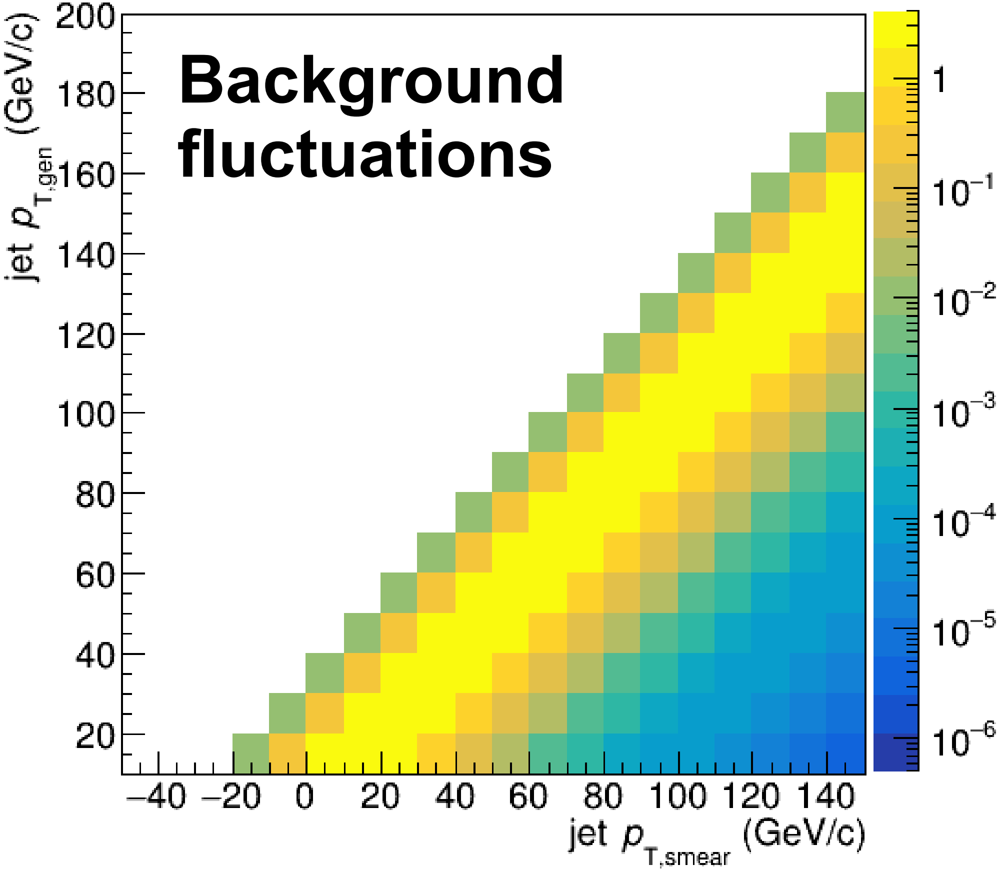


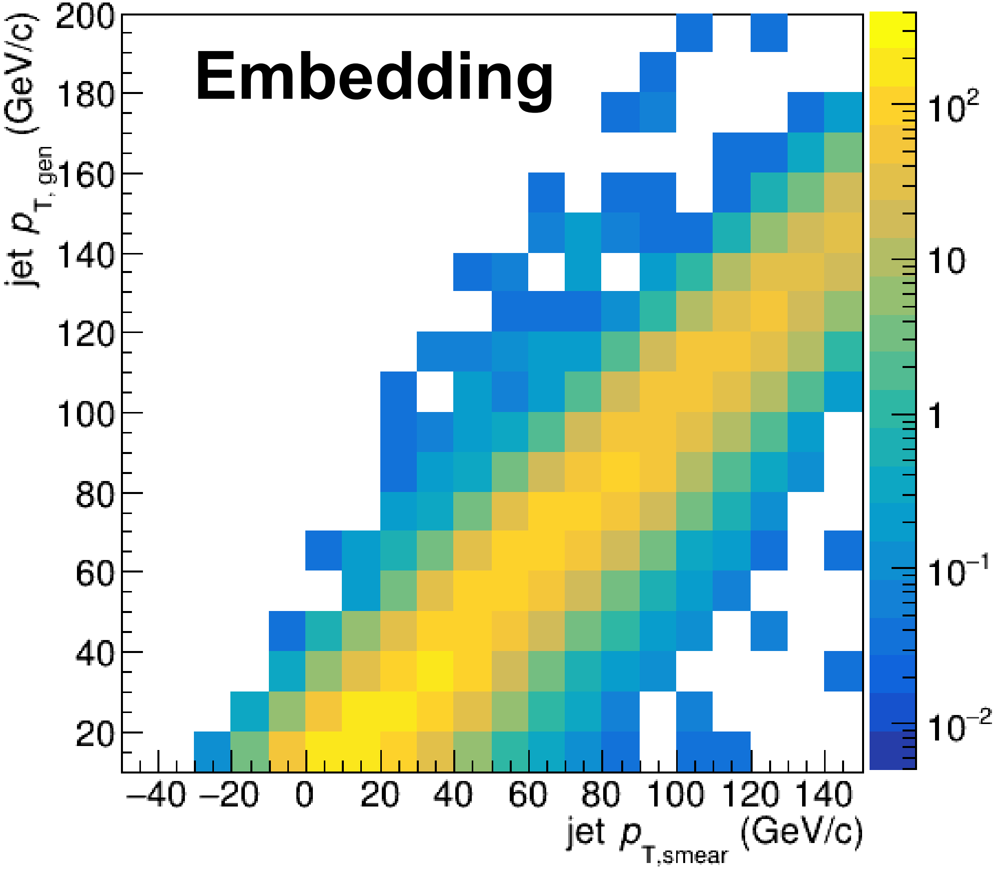
$$z_r = \frac{p_T^{subjet}}{p_T^{jet}}$$



- Cluster jets with anti-k_T with resolution parameter R
- Recluster constituents with anti-k_T with resolution parameter r
- Some discriminating power between quark-like and gluon-like jets
  - Strained at low momentum, small R

Construct a response matrix in Monte Carlo





Designing a better method

- Jet multiplicity largest mutual information w/jet momentum .
- Background fluctuations are well described by multiplicity fluctuations.

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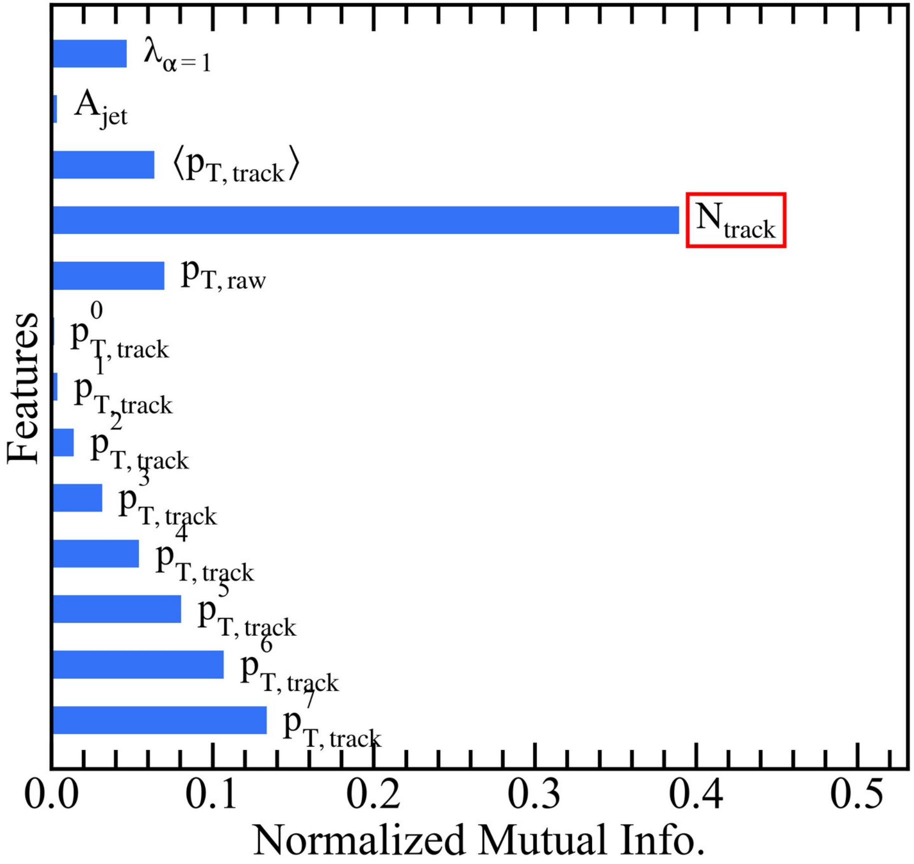


Definition of Jets in a Large Background July 25-27, 2019

- **Organizers:** M. Connors, G. Milhano, C. Nattrass, R. Reed, S. Salur
- **Spectra conveners:** R. Kunnawalkam Elayavalli, Y. Mehtar-Tani (R. Bertens)
- **Correlation conveners:** J. Noronha-Hostler, J. Huang
- **Substructure conveners:** Y. Lee, Y. Chien

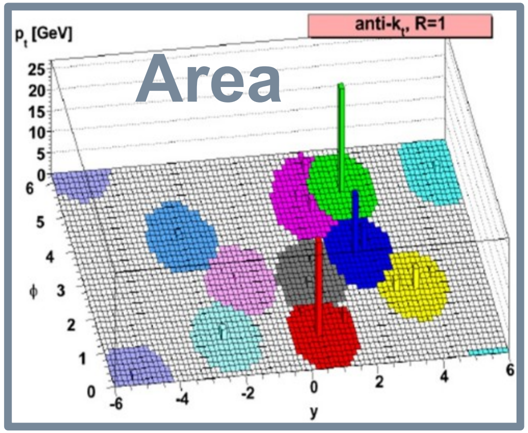
Extensively discussed the interplay between experimental techniques and theoretical calculations with the aim of **reaching an agreement*** on the way forward for extracting jet measurements from large background events such as those in heavy ion collisions and high luminosity p-p or electron-ion collisions.

*Consensus on some points

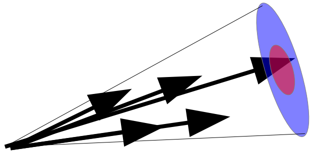
62 Registered but due to various visa & travel complications: 45 + several BNL employees attended.

Jet properties

Area

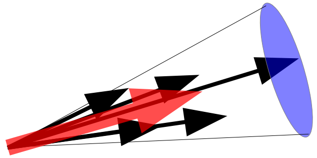


Angularity

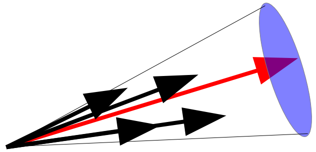


$$\alpha = \frac{1}{p_T^{jet}} \sum_k z_k (\vec{R}_k)$$

Average p_T



Leading p_T



Shape of width of the distribution

Single particle spectra

$$f_\Gamma(p_T,p,b)=\frac{b}{\Gamma(p)}(b\,p_T)^{p-1}e^{-bp_T}$$

$$\frac{dN}{dy}\propto f_\Gamma(p_T,2,b)=b^2\,p_T\,e^{-b\,p_T}$$

$$\mu_{p_T}=\frac{p}{b},\sigma_{p_T}=\frac{\sqrt{p}}{b}$$

Tannenbaum, PLB(498),1–2,Pg.29-34(2001)

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Σp_T of N particles → N-fold convolution:

$$f_N(p_T,p,b)=f_\Gamma(p_T,Np,b) \qquad \frac{dpT^{total}}{dy}\propto f_N(p_T,Np,b)$$

$$N=\frac{N_{total}}{A_{total}}\pi R^2 \qquad \mu_{total}=\frac{Np}{b}=N\,\mu_{p_T},\sigma_{total}=\frac{\sqrt{Np}}{b}=\sqrt{N}\,\sigma_{p_T}$$

Add Poissonian fluctuations in N: $\sigma_{total}=\sqrt{N\,\sigma_{p_T}^2+N\,\mu_{p_T}^2}$

Add non-Poissonian fluctuations in N due to flow

$$\sigma_{total}=\sqrt{N\,\sigma_{p_T}^2+\left(N+2N^2\sum_n v_n^2\right)\mu_{p_T}^2}$$