

# SEARCHES WITH unusual OBJECTS

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Jets at LHC at ICTS

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# OUTLINE

- Usual and Unusual objects
- Categories of unusual-object searches
- Description of some searches

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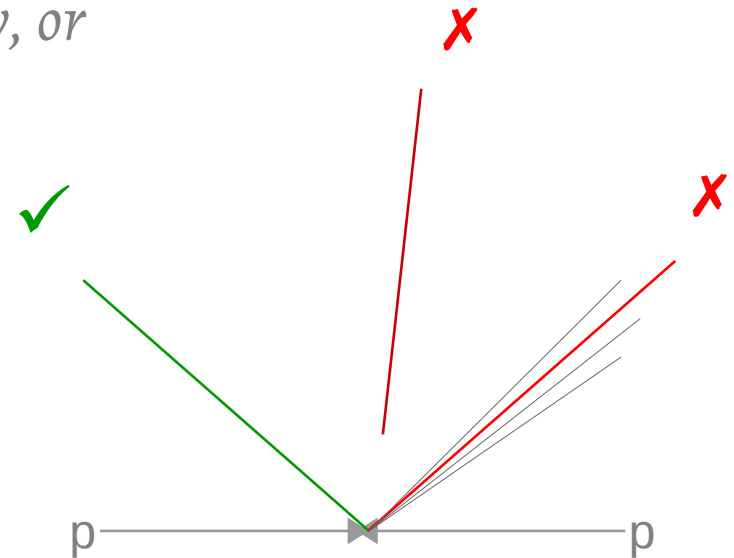
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*Mostly it means leptons arising from  $W/Z$  decay, or BSM, but looking like those from  $W/Z$*



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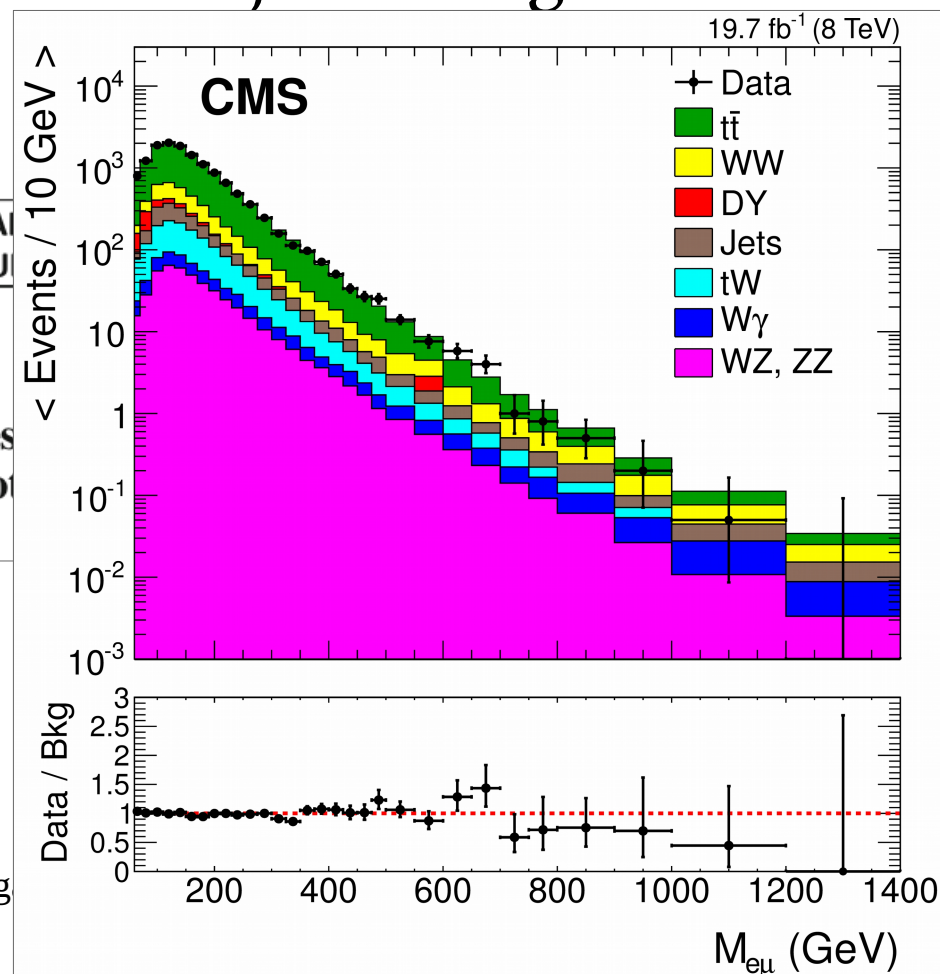
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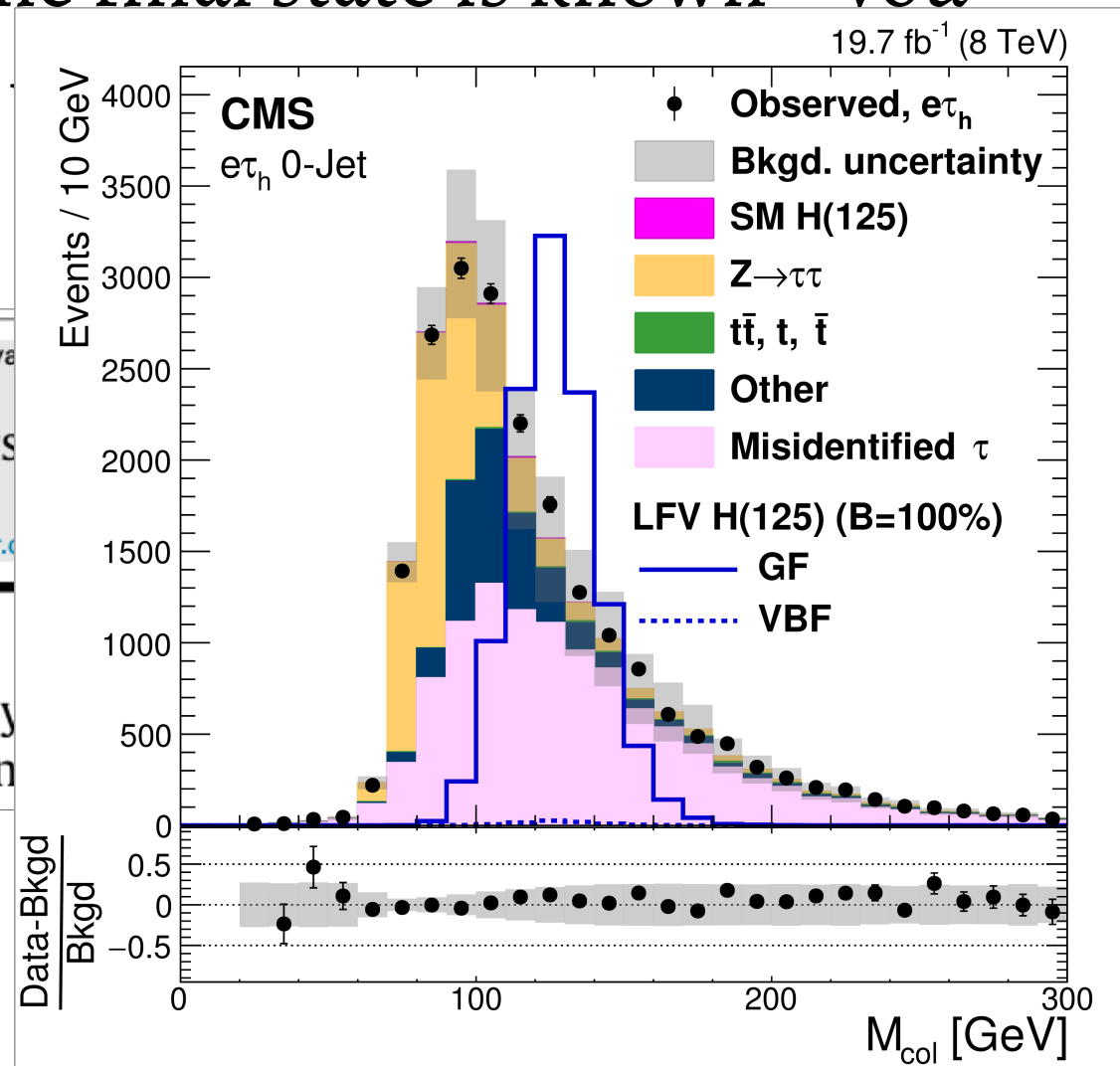
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- Where lepton, or diphoton (*etc.*) needs additional qualifications to be appreciated  
*(displaced photon, non-isolated lepton, ...)*
- Where list of backgrounds needs second thoughts

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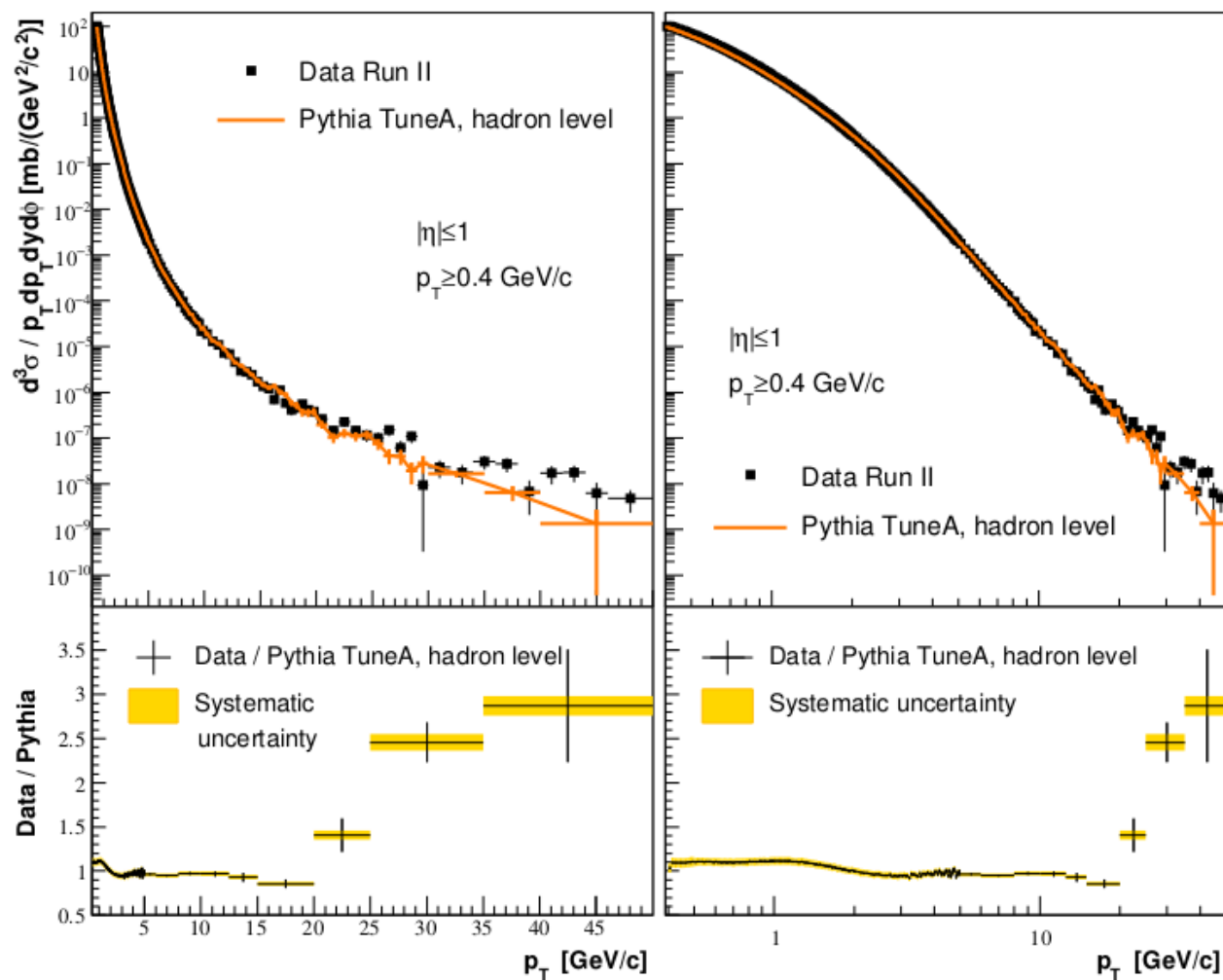
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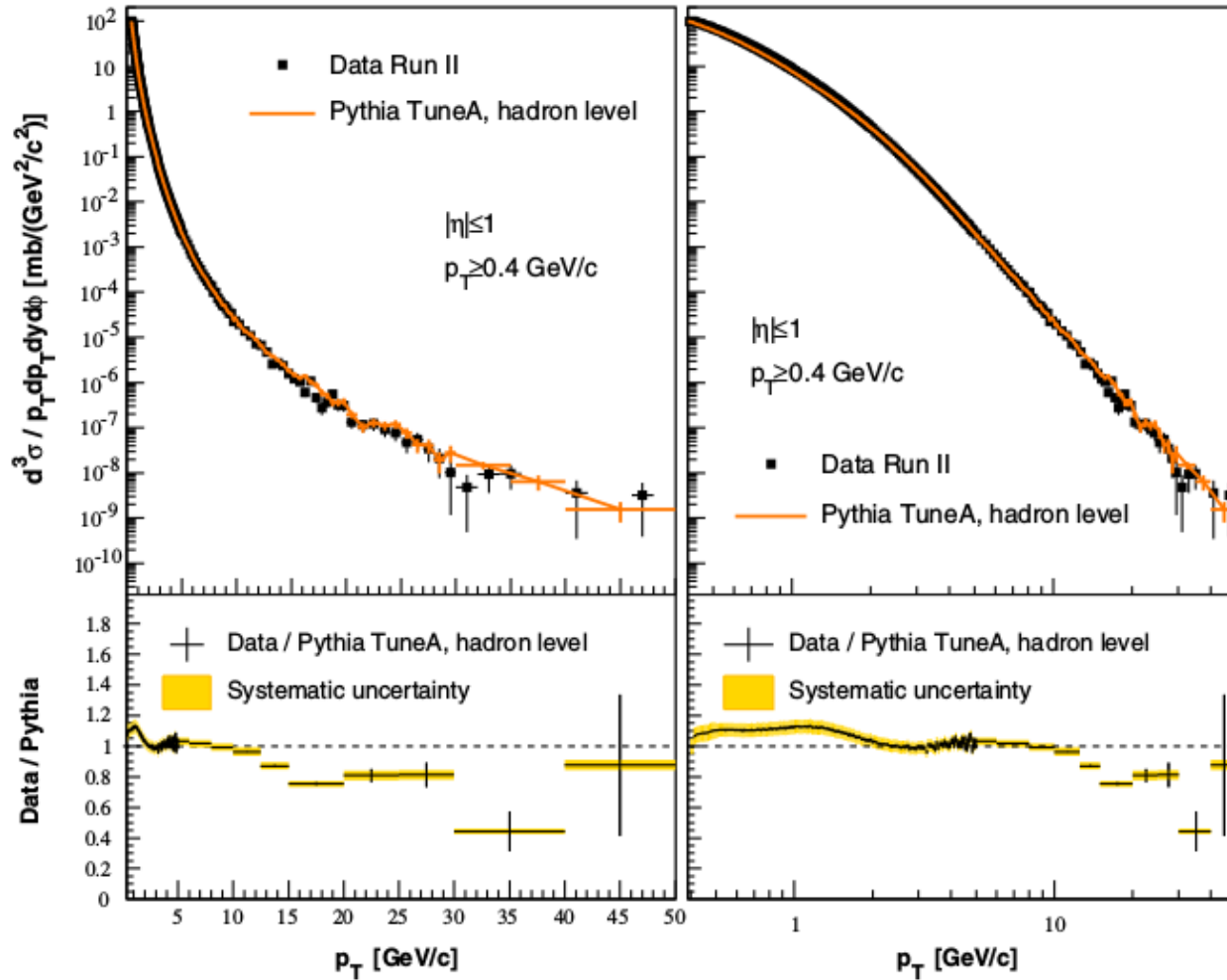
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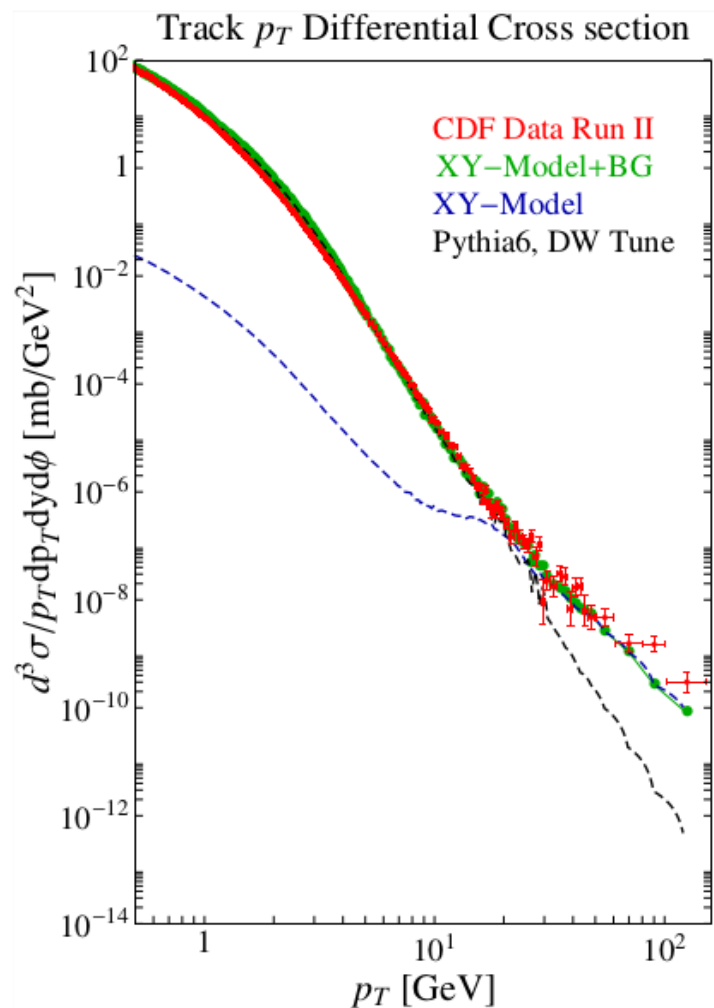
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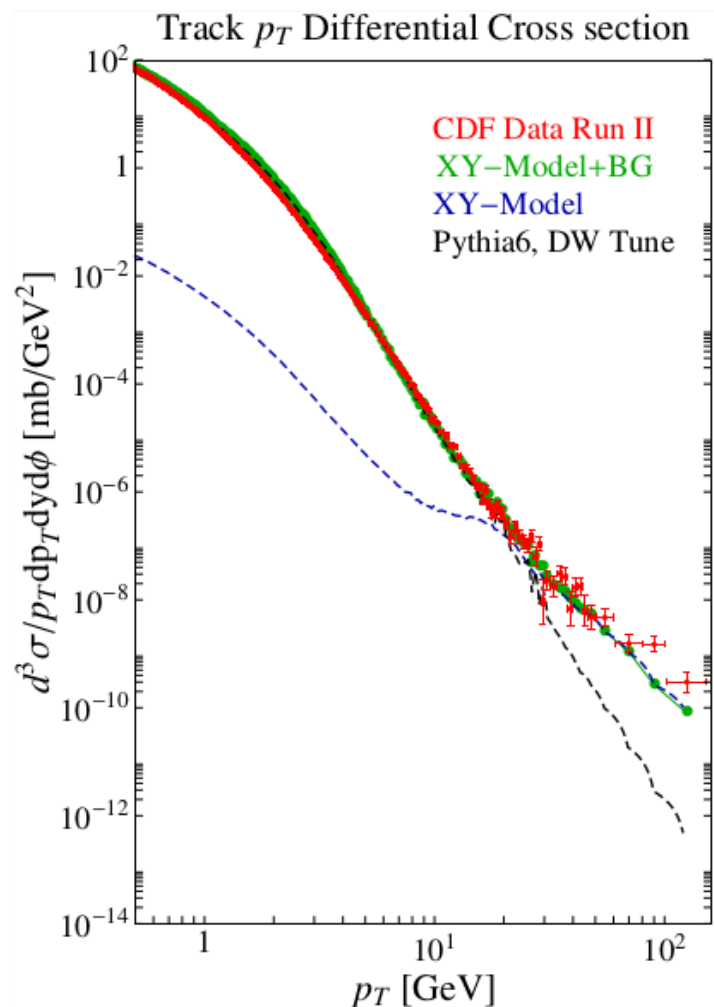
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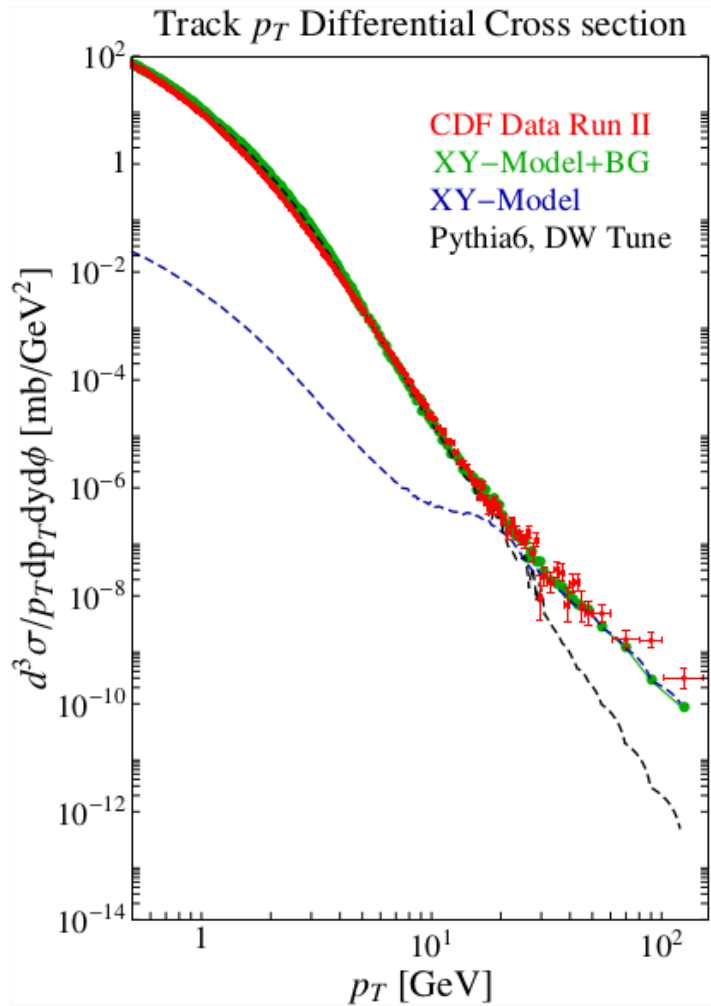


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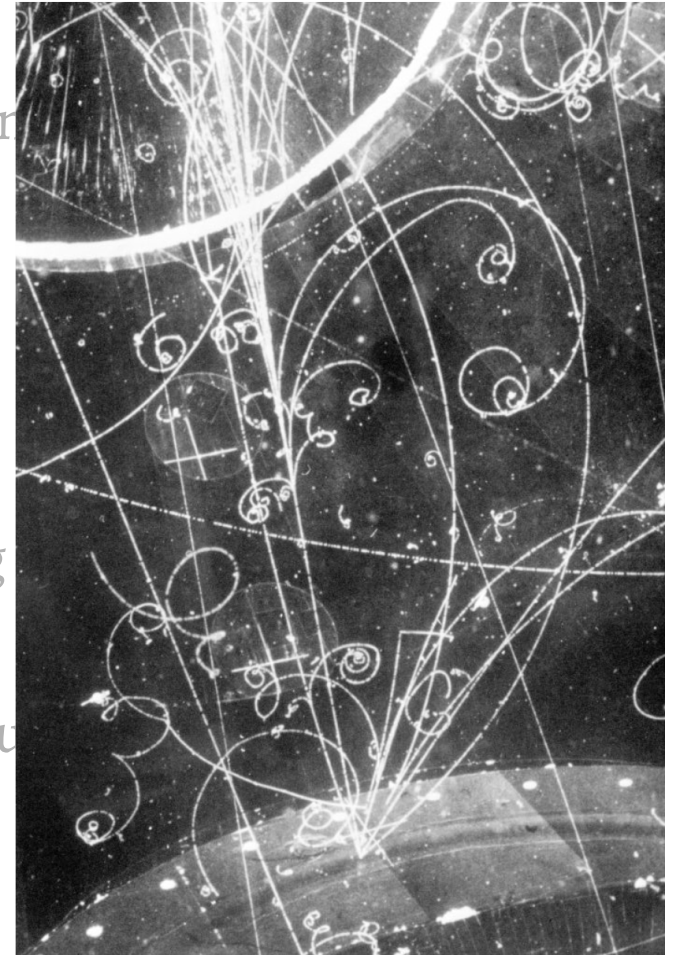
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<https://astrobites.org/2016/08/02/leaving-on-a-jet-stream/>

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# FRACTIONALLY CHARGED PARTICLES

1210.2311

Look for massive fermions  $L_q$  with charge  $q = 2e/3, e/3$

Neutral under  $SU(3)_C, SU(2)_L$  – couple only to photon,  $Z$

These are isolated tracks in the detector (use the tracker) –  
but with anomalously low ionization energy losses.

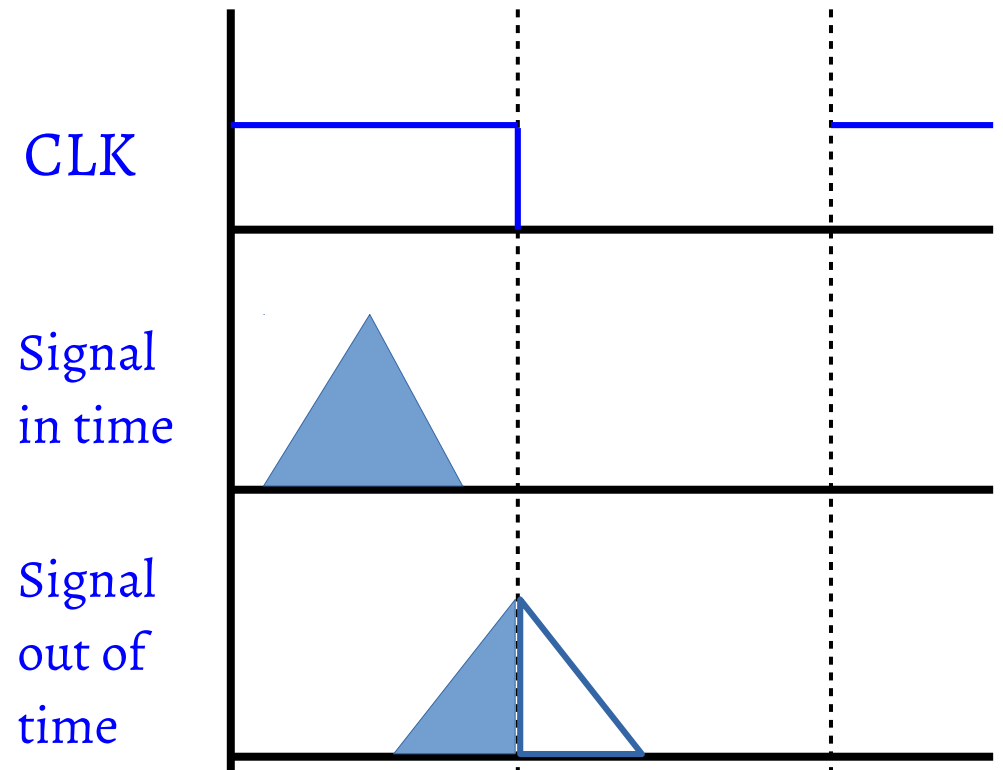
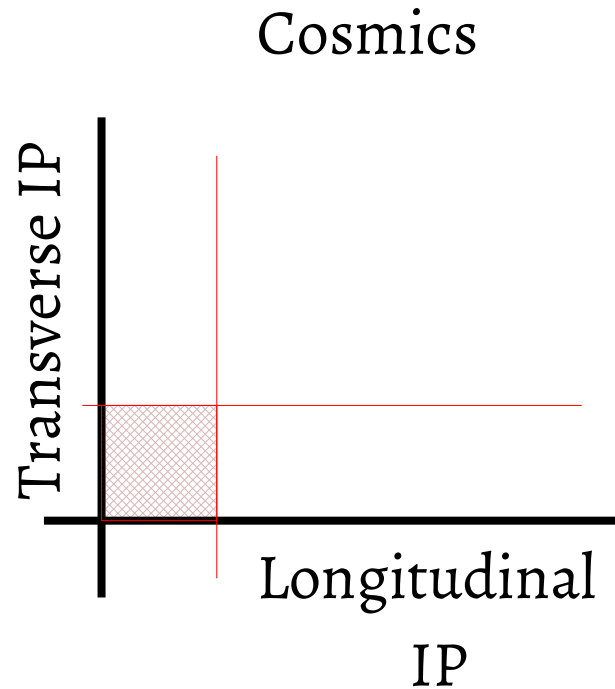
Use  $dE/dx$  (signal amplitude/path length) in det. Module ( $\propto q^2$ )

Trigger: Use a single muon trigger with  $p_T > 40$  GeV  
(But this 40 GeV is for  $|q|=1$  particles)... so threshold is  
 $L_{2/3}$  (27 GeV),  $L_{1/3}$  (13 GeV)

Backgrounds?

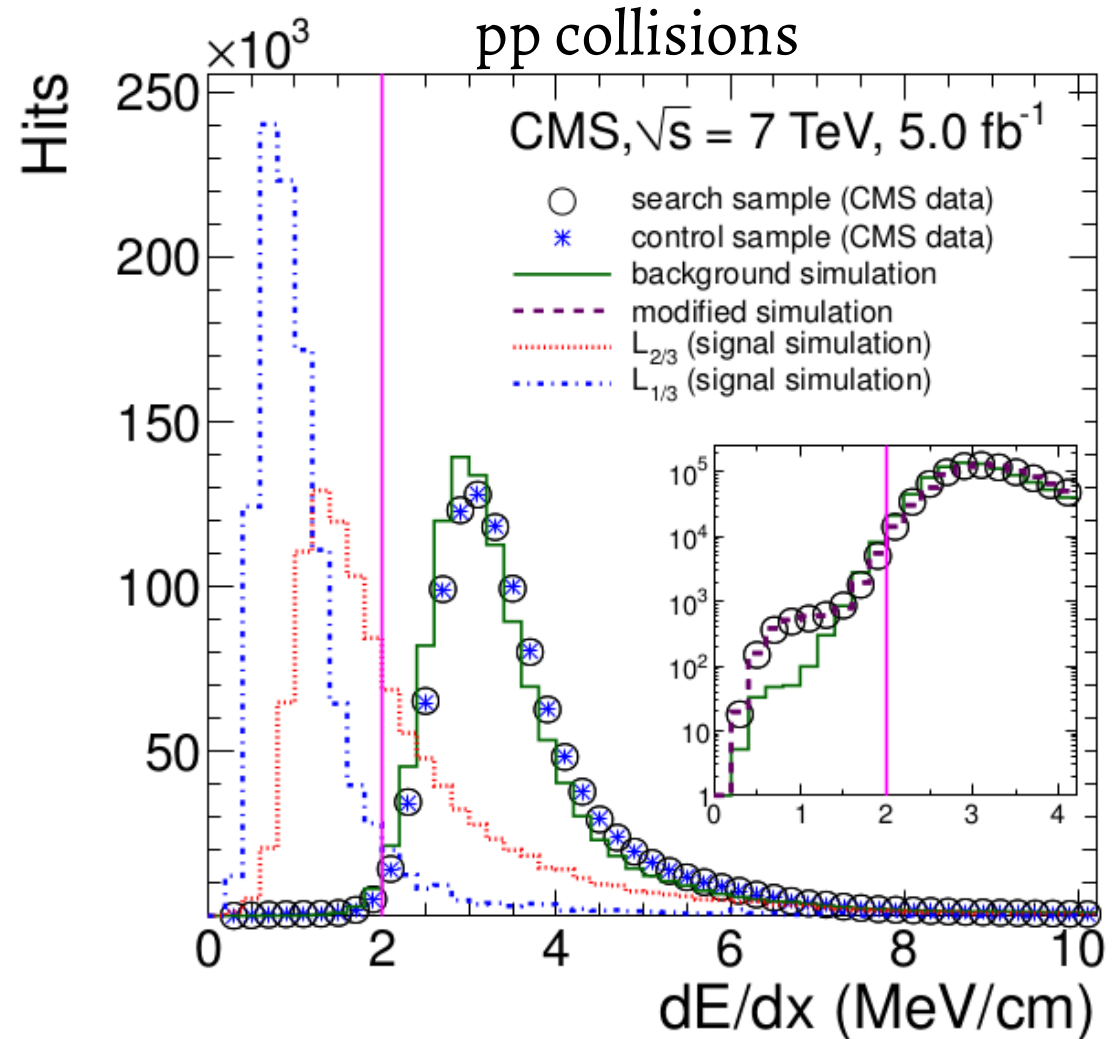
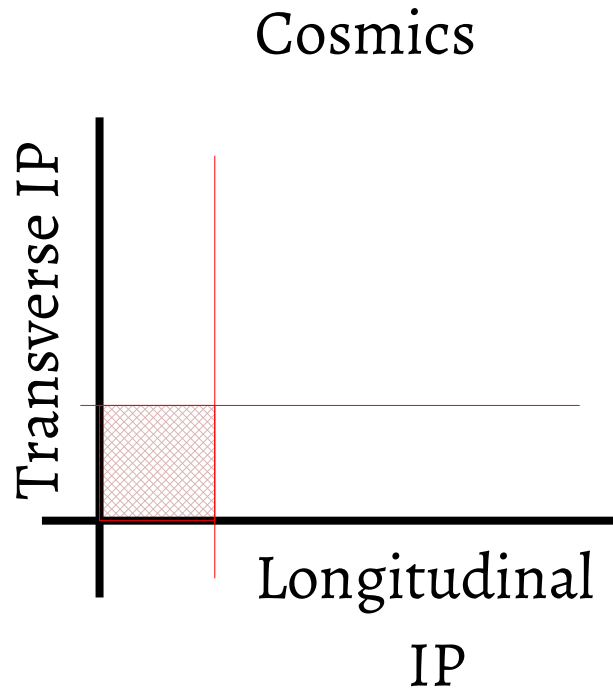
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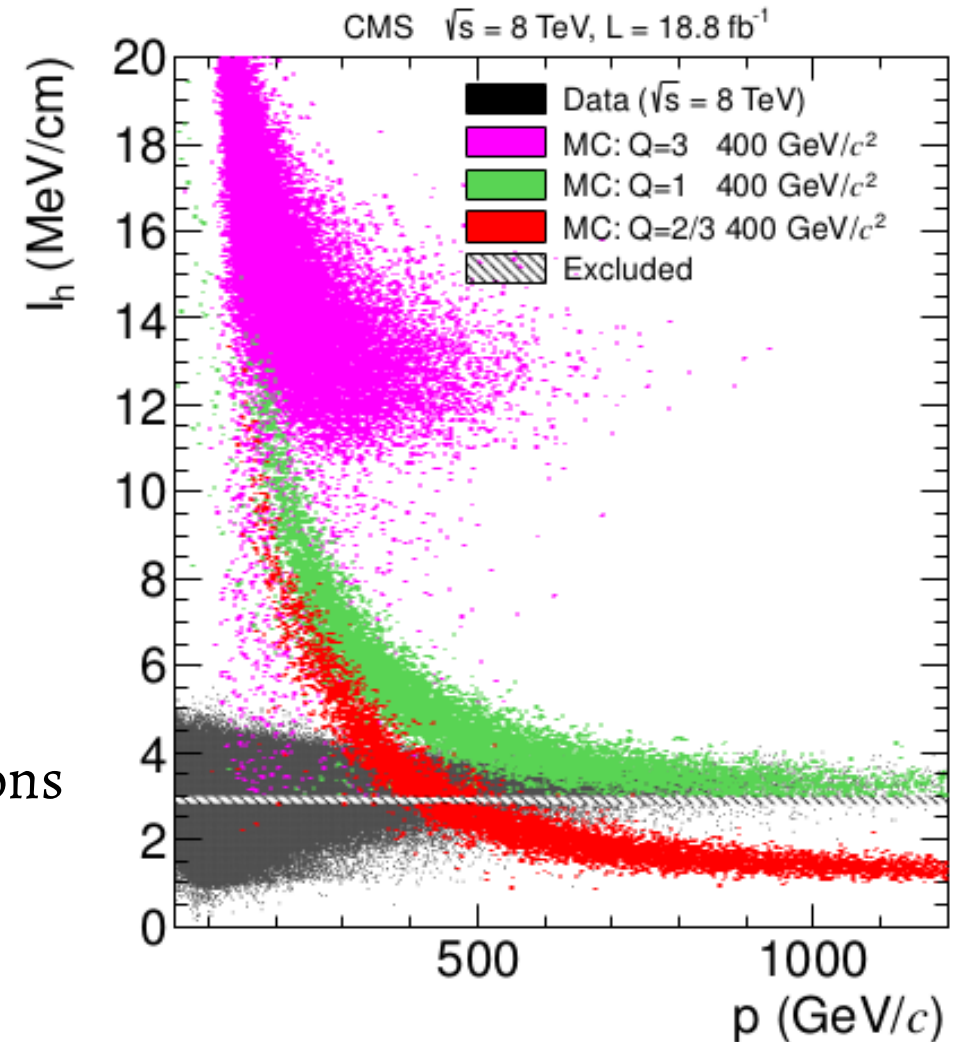
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$I_h$  is  $dE/dx$  estimator,  
 TOF gives  $\beta^{-1} = 1 + c\delta_t/L$

Backgrounds from random fluctuations  
 in measured energy depositions,  
 timings of SM particles



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Magnetic monopoles!

In terms of ionization loss,  $q \approx 68e$

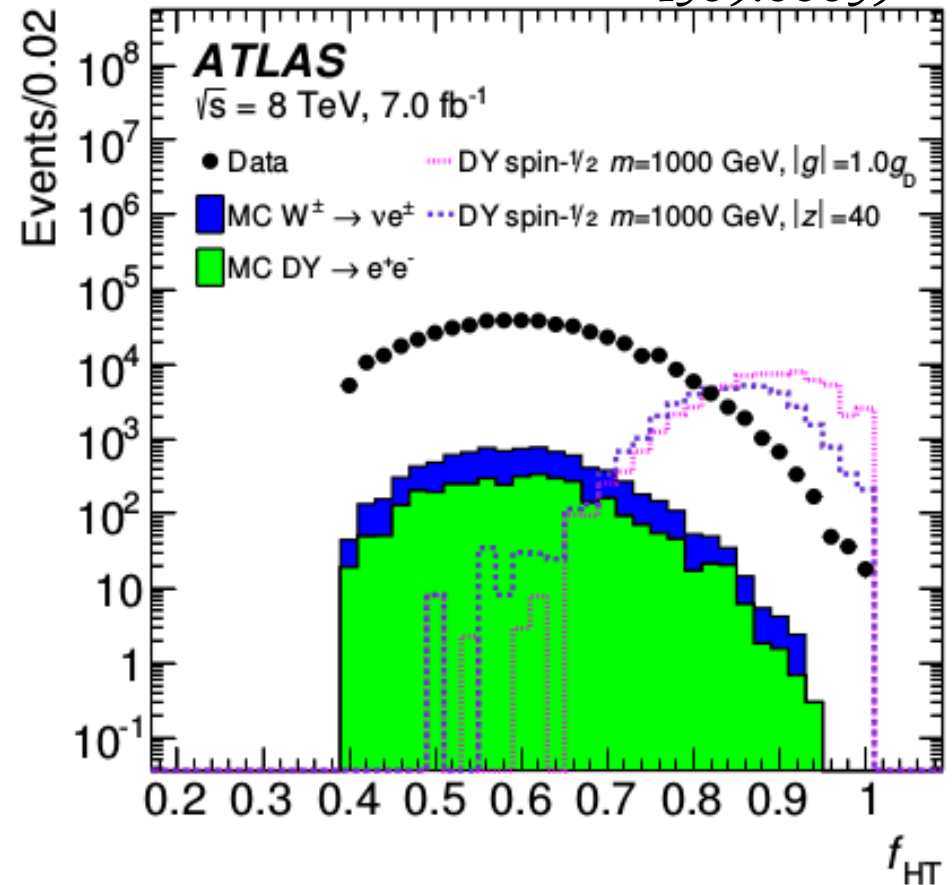
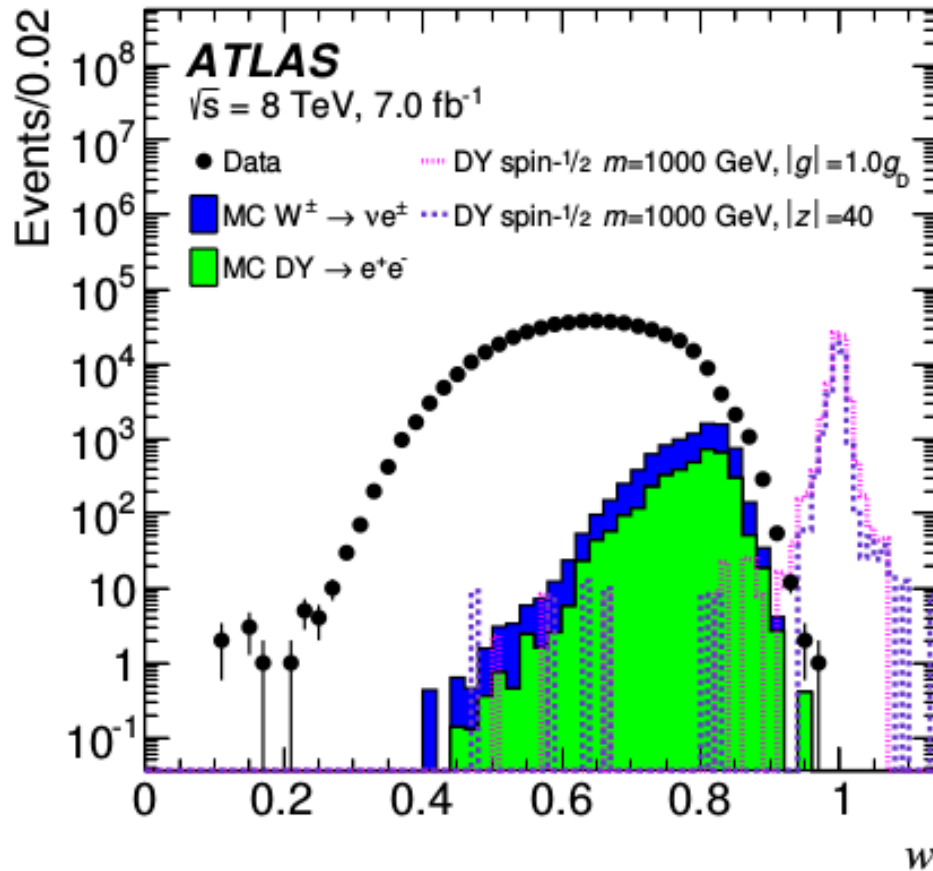
ATLAS makes use of its TRT and uses HT (high threshold) hits  
HT ionization  $\approx 3 \times \text{MIP}$

Dedicated Trigger

Calorimeter + TRT HT hits (total and fraction of total)

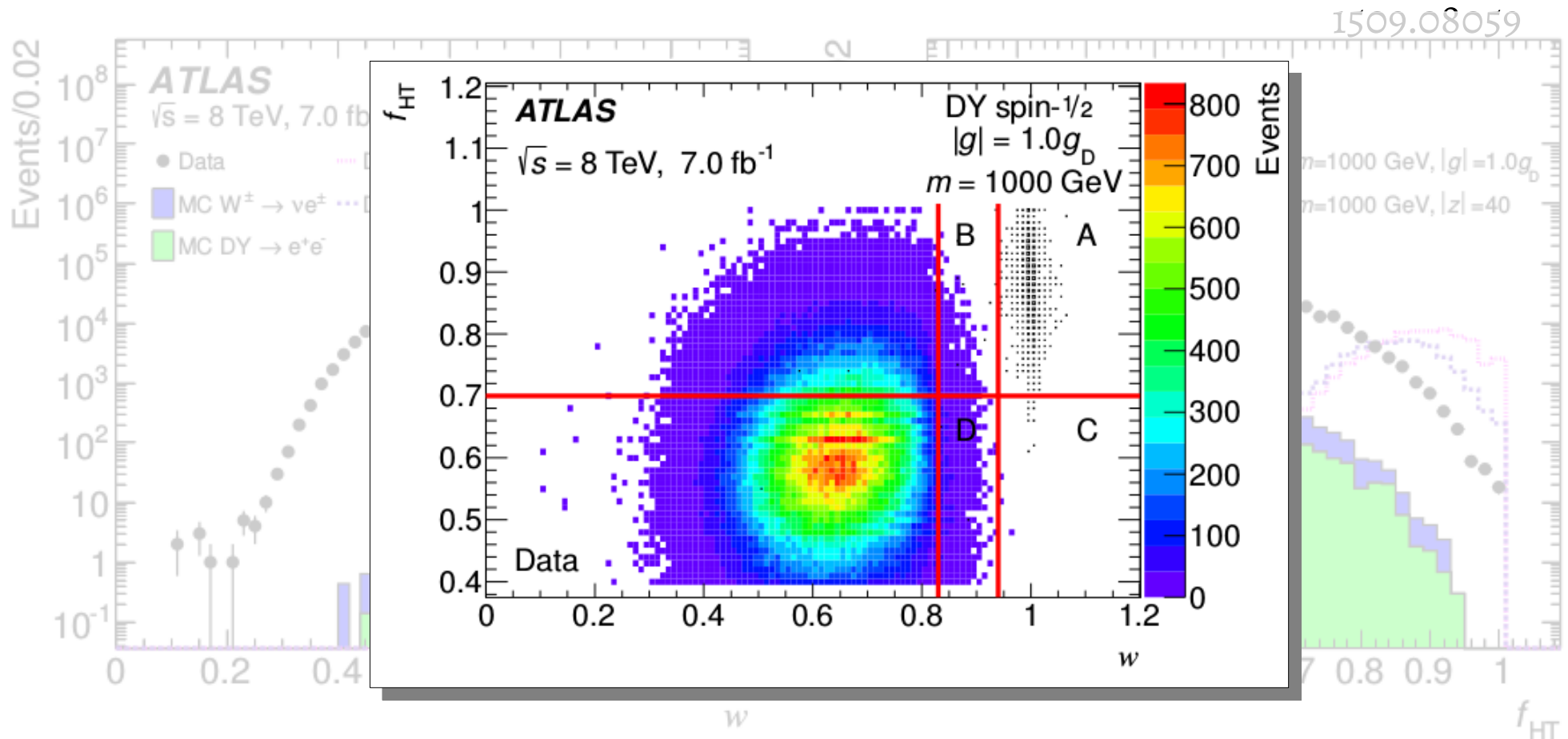
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Charged particle daughters are unobservable... the track disappears

$$\tilde{\chi}_1^{\pm} \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \pi^{\pm}$$

If the chargino and neutralino are close in mass, the pion is soft

50 GeV prompt/isolated track, with  $< 10$  GeV deposit in calorimeter

This track has missing outer hits in the tracker

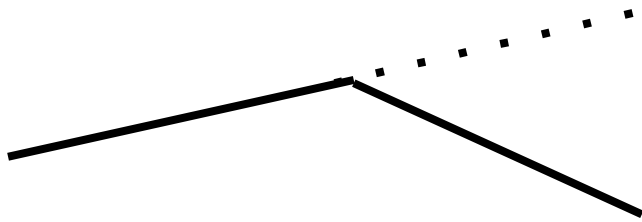
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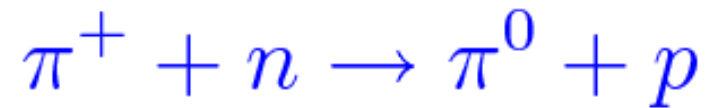
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Backgrounds are thus QCD multijet + inefficient ele, mu, tau recon.



Electron that brems hard



Charged hadron loses charge

Reduce multijet as usual (no b2b jets, MET not aligned with j1/j2)

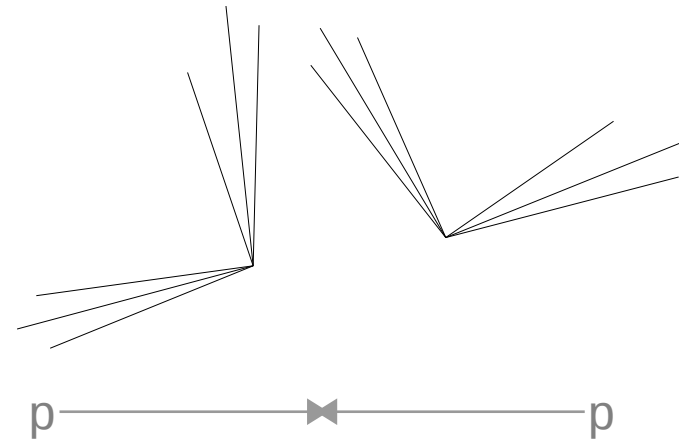
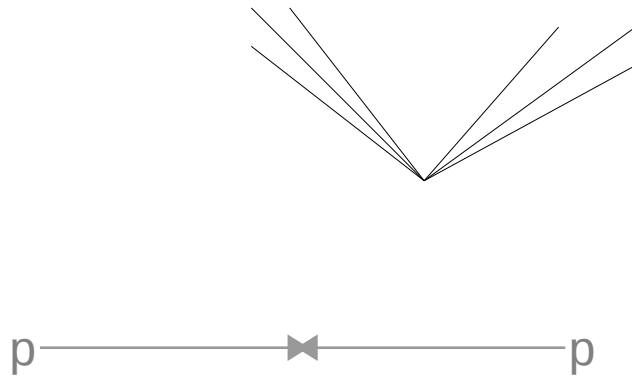
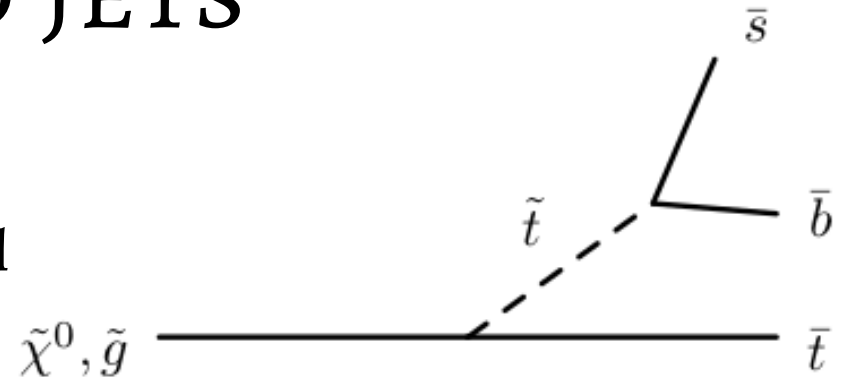
Estimate others by control region  $\times$  inefficiency

# DISPLACED JETS

Long lived neutral particle decaying to qq

Long lived gluino/neutralino decay

Signature: jets emanating from a displaced vertex



1411.6530, 1610.05133, ....

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Dedicated displaced jet trigger:

Calo jets with  $H_T$  selection. Must have associated displaced tracks, carrying most of the jet's energy

Require  $H_T > 325$ , with two 60-GeV jets

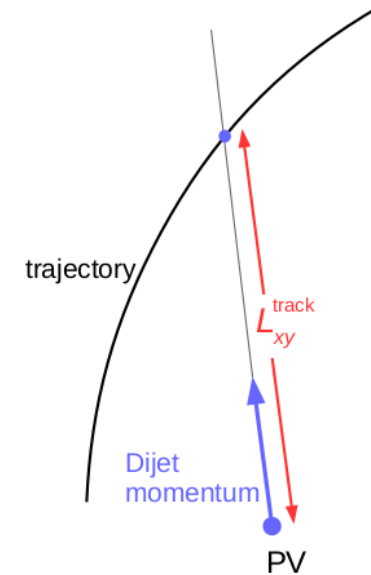
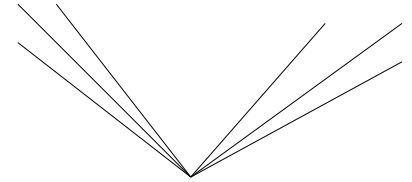
Displaced tracks from both jets fitted to one vertex

Secvtx away from pvtx ( $L_{xy}^{\text{sig}} > 8$ )

In addition, construct likelihood discriminant from

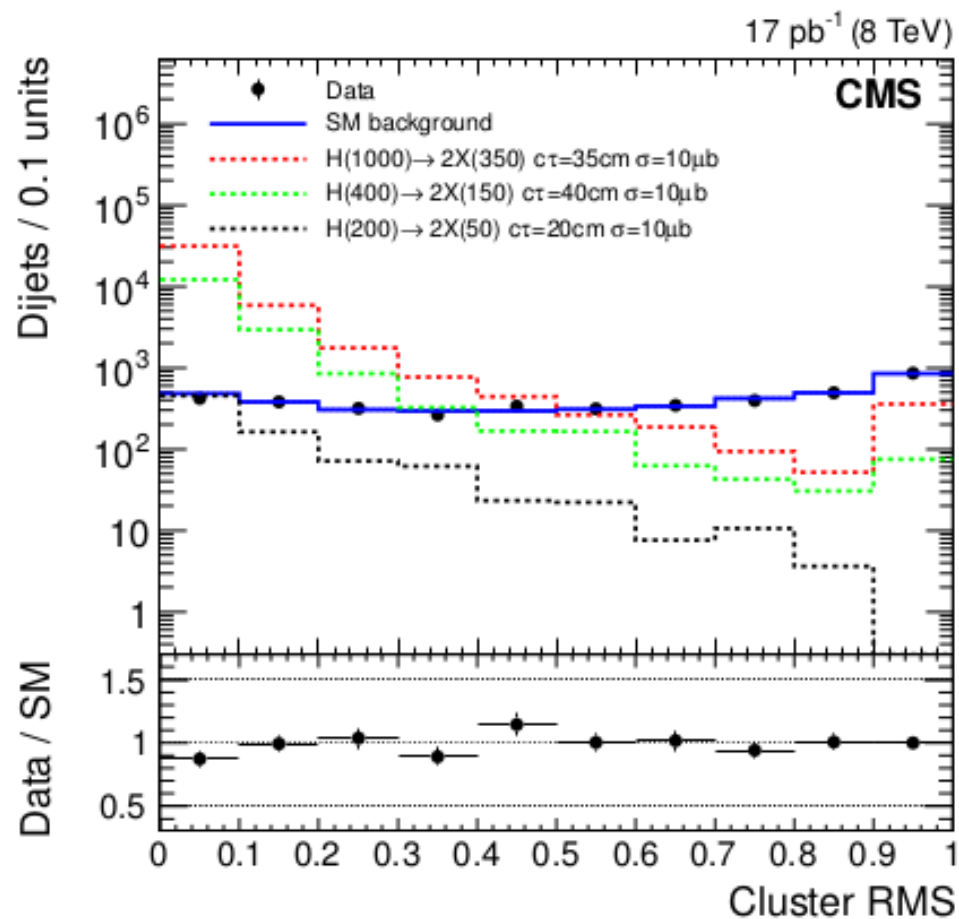
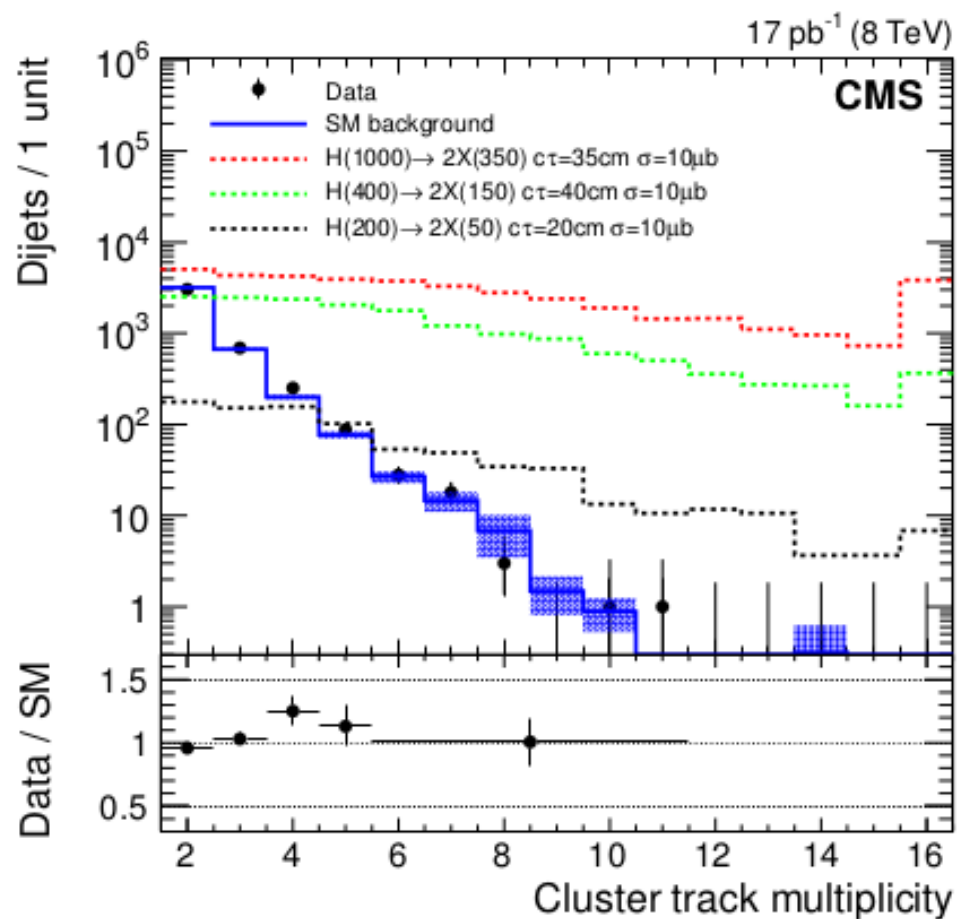
- Secvtx Ntracks
- Cluster Ntracks
- RMS  $L_{xy}^{\text{trk}}$ , w.r.t  $L_{xy}$
- Pointing of secvtx tracks vs dijet momentum

1411.6530





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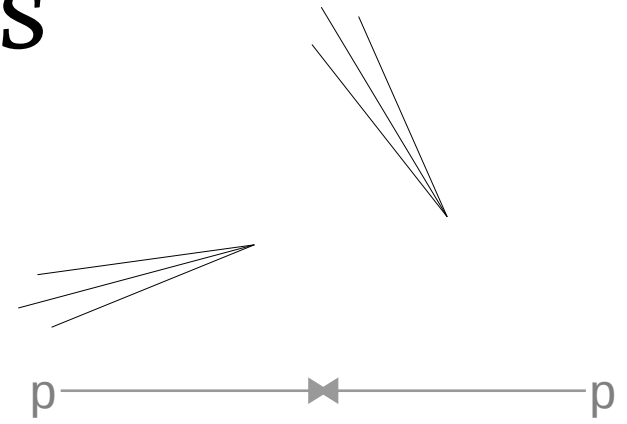


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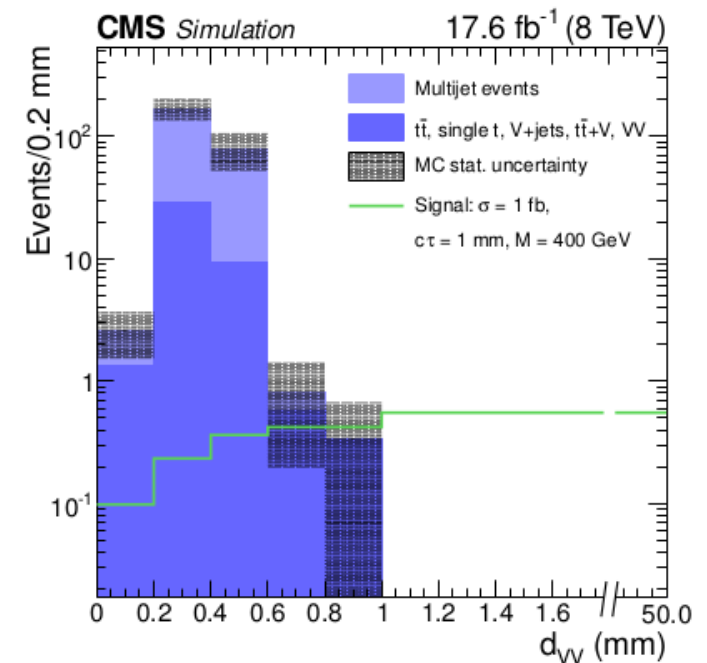
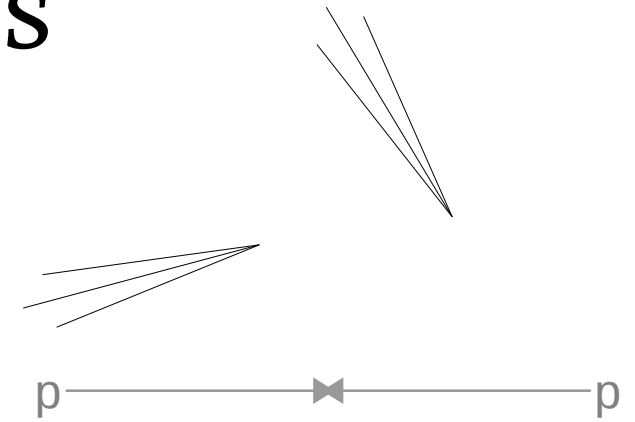
$H_T > 500$  GeV

Form disp. vertices from disp. tracks, with  
requirements to ensure jets have disp tracks

Require  $\geq 2$  displaced vertices

Require large separation between them

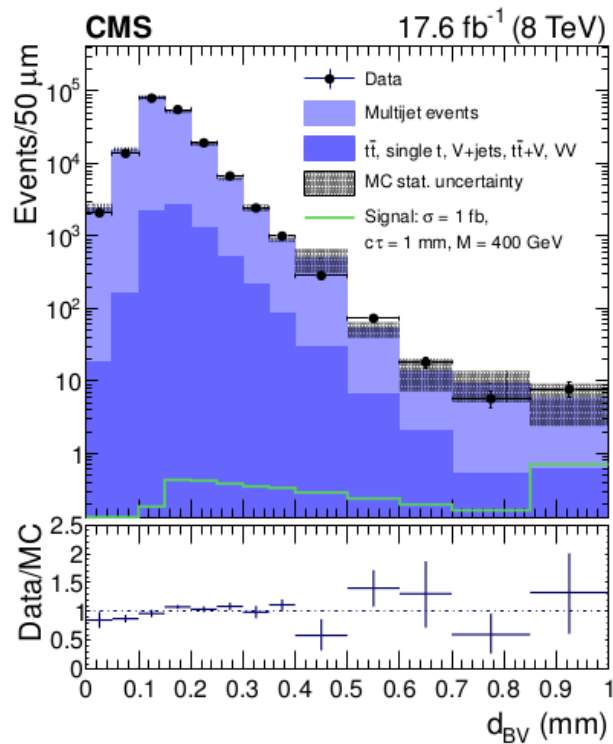
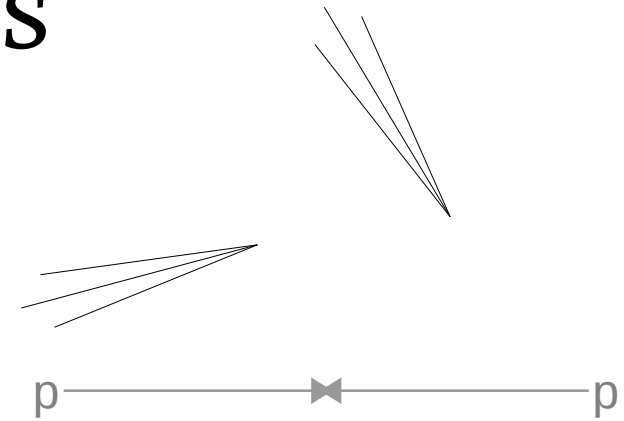
$d_{VV} > 600$  mm is signal region



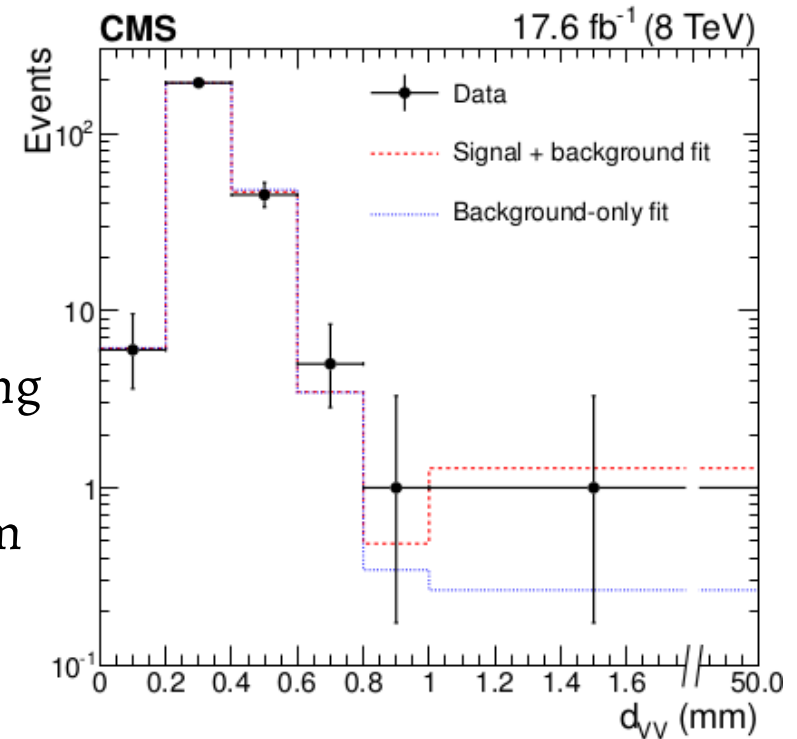
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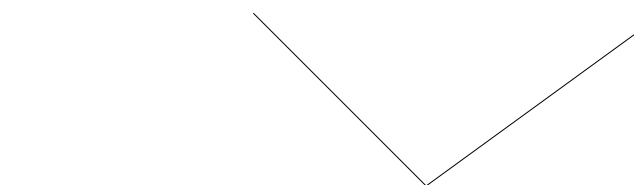
Use one-vtx events to build a template for distance between two vertices



Excess corresponding to p-values of 0.05-0.14 for  $c\tau$  0.3-30 mm

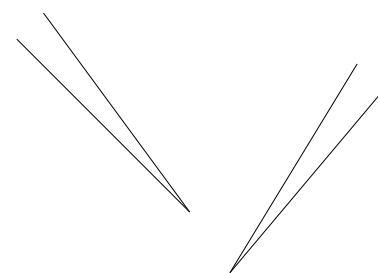


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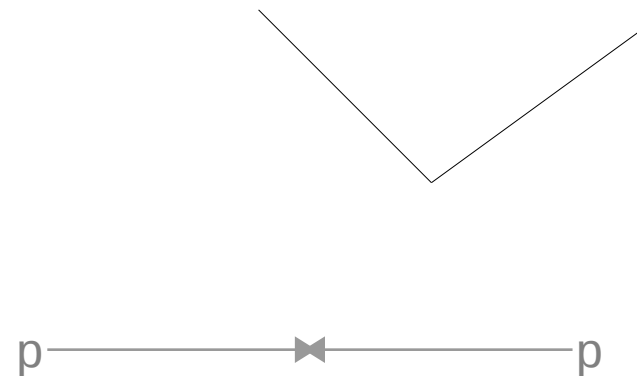
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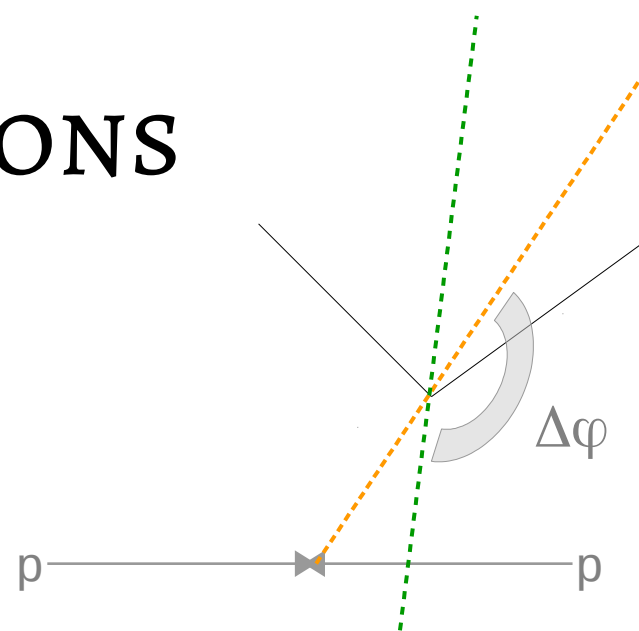


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Select isolated OS dimuons (26/26), dielectrons (40/25) with large impact parameters, and consistent with emerging from one vertex.

Backgrounds are SM dilepton which appear displaced due to resolution issues

Require  $M_{ll} > 15 \text{ GeV}$

Require  $\Delta\varphi < \pi/2$  for signal (invert for control sample)

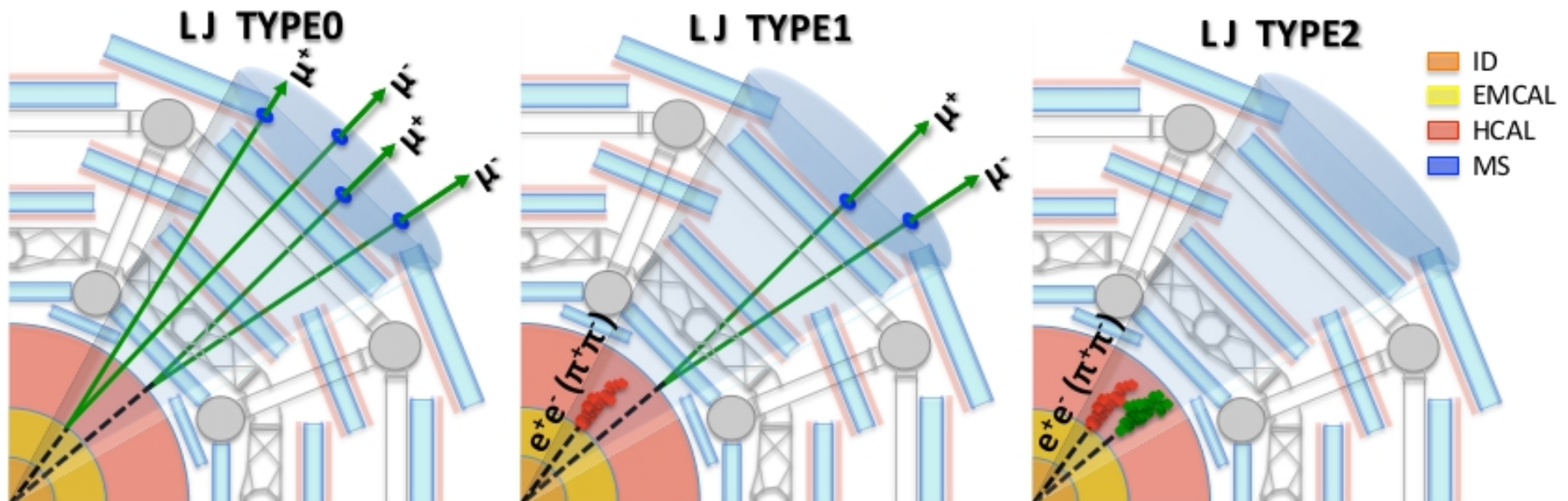
Use impact parameter significance to scale control to signal region

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Light (boosted) dark photons decaying to pair of electrons or muons or pions

Signal studied using LJ gun MC generator

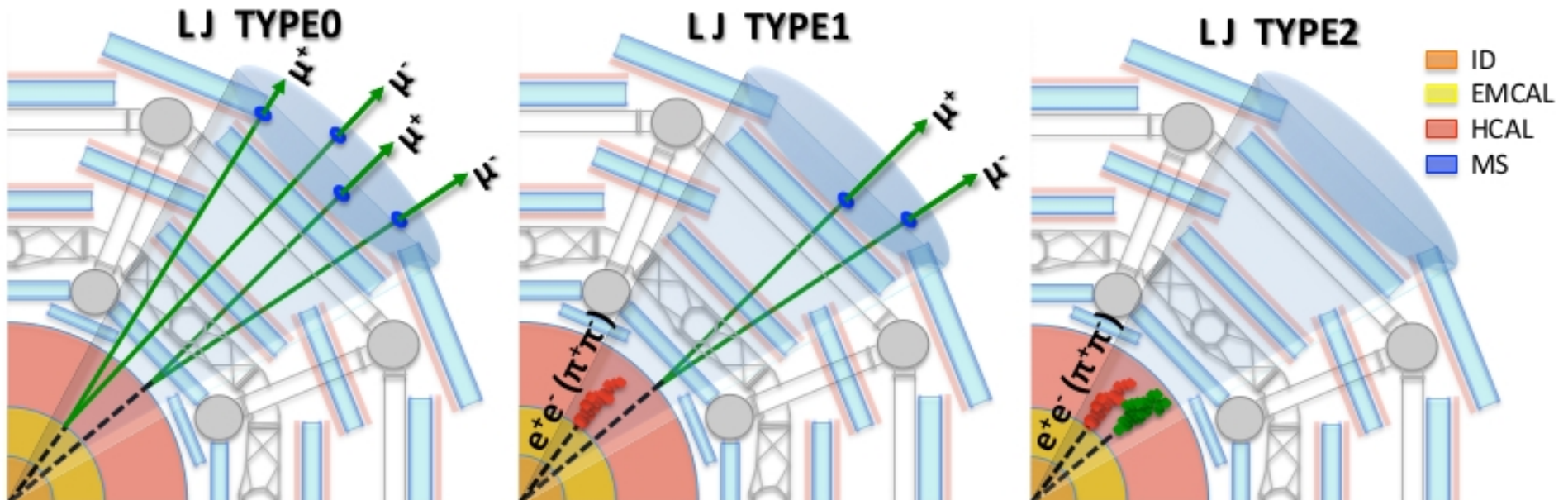
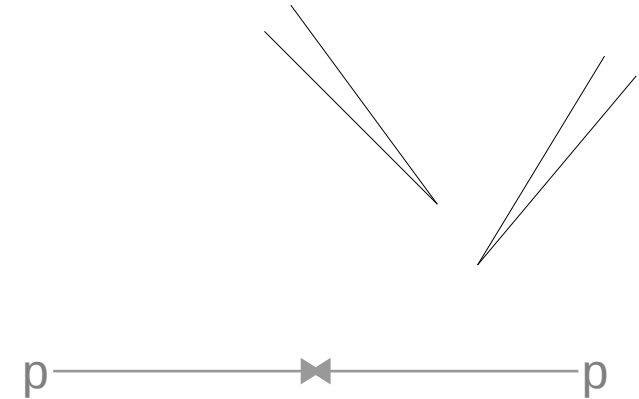




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Electron/pion clustered using antikt4 algorithm  
Then muons, jets clustered into LJ using fixed  
cone algorithm ( $R=0.5$ )



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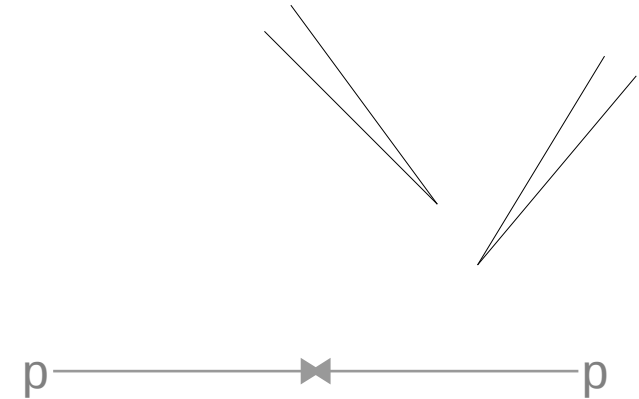
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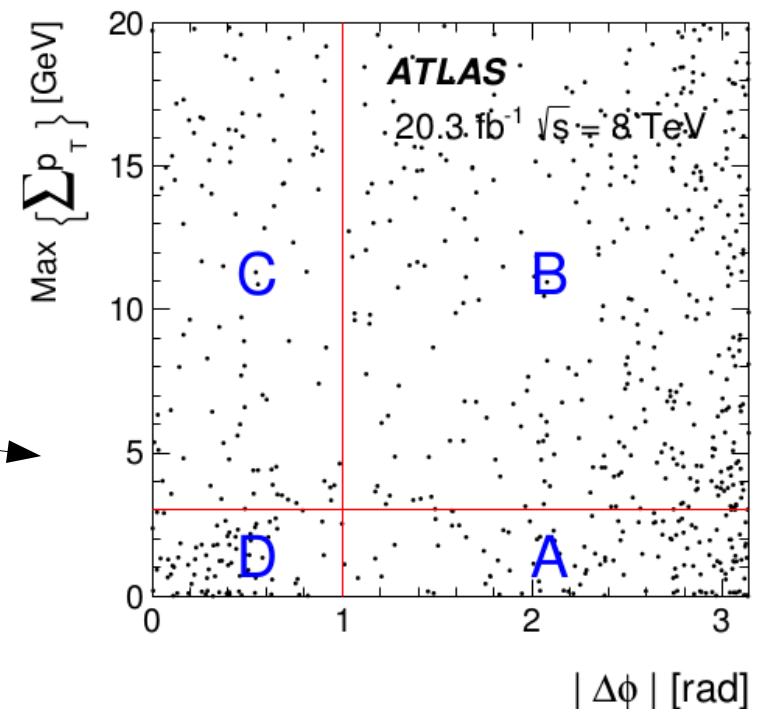
Require large azimuthal separation ( $\Delta\phi > 1$ )

Background for LJO is cosmic (use IP cuts)

Background for LJ2 is multijet (use isolation)

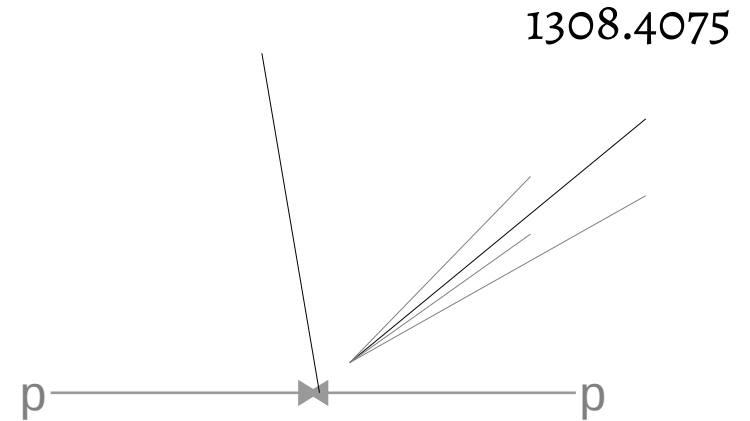


Estimate cosmic from empty BX, estimate  $DY/t\bar{t}$  from MC, estimate multijet from ABCD method



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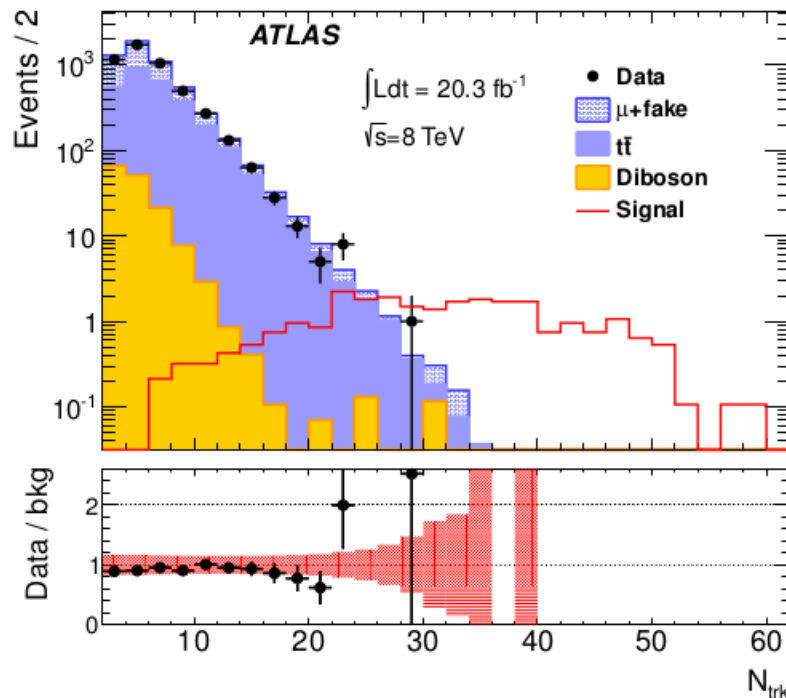
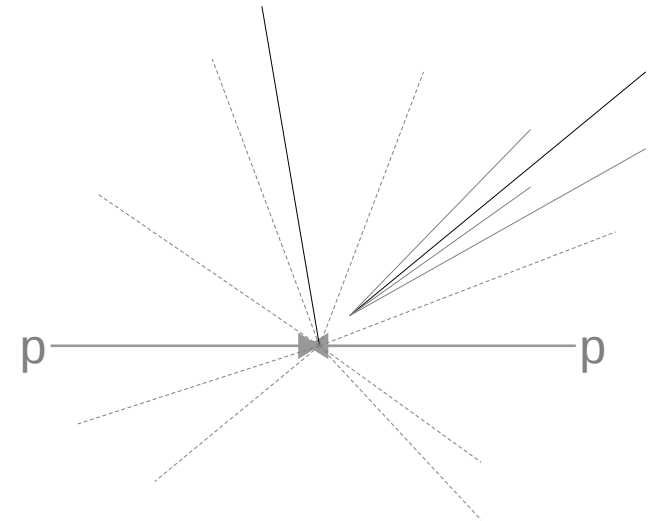
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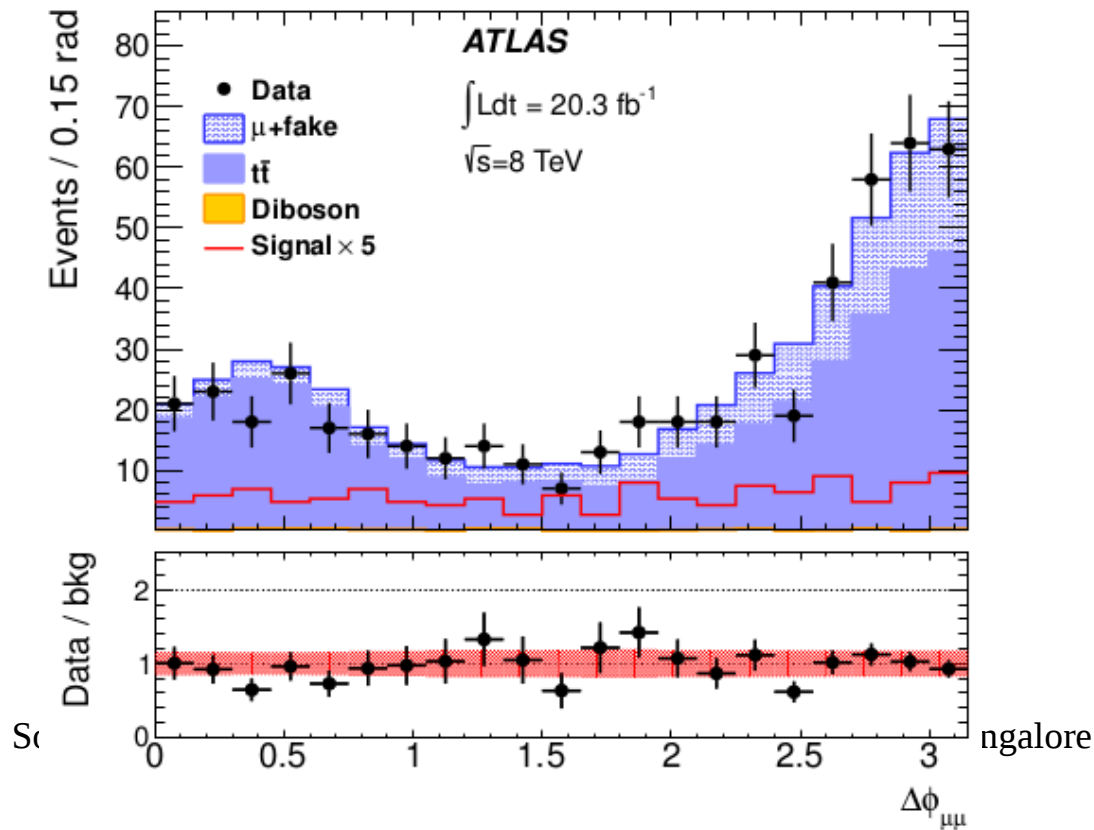
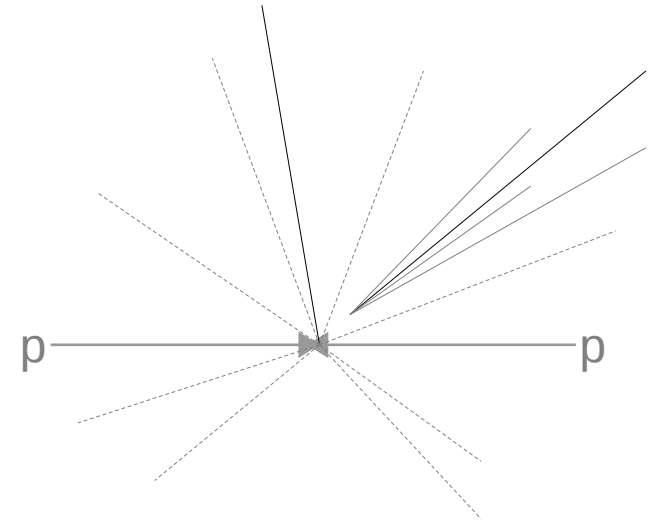
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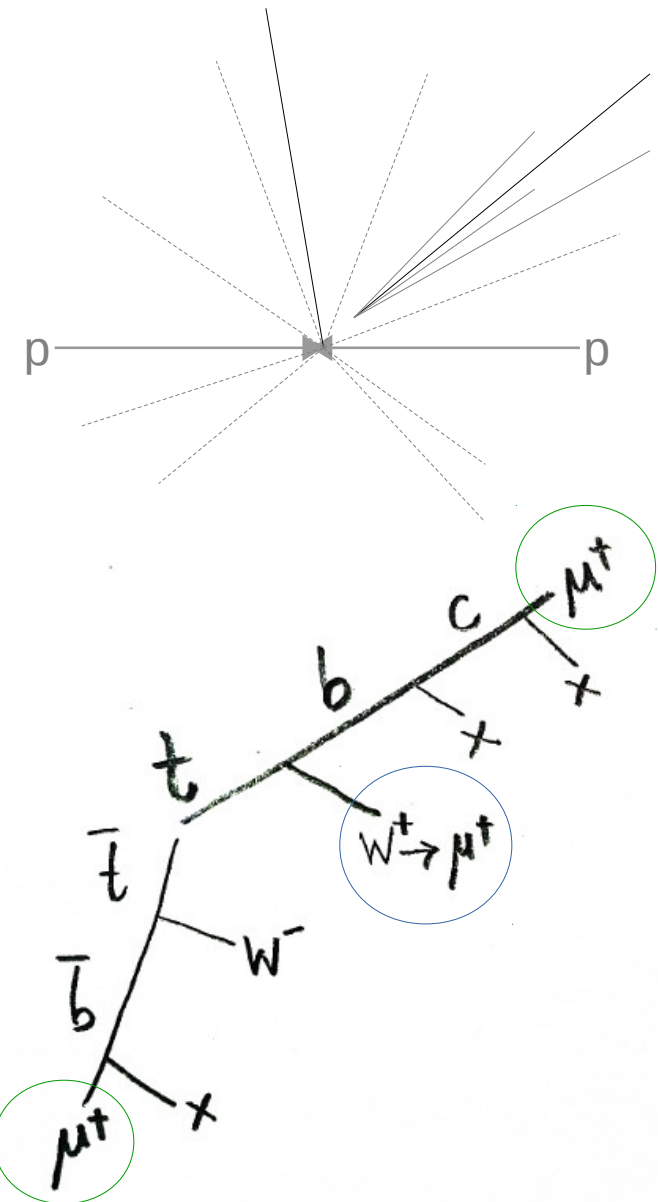
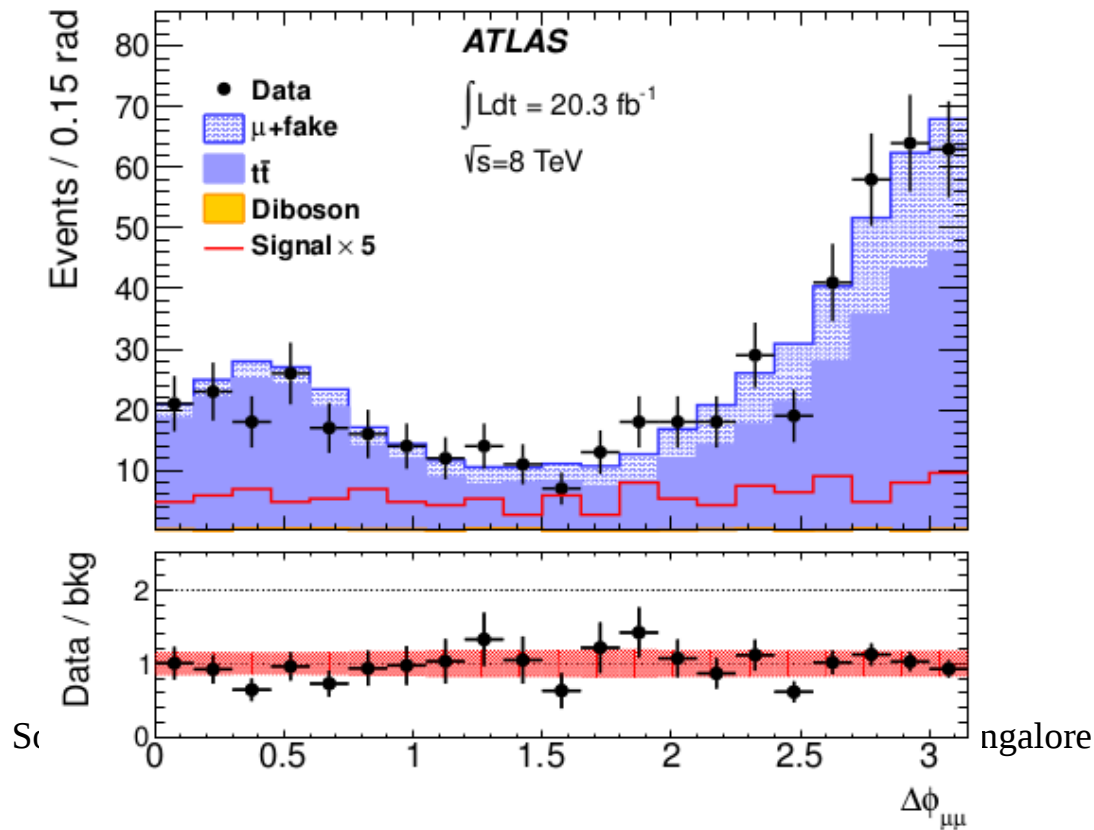
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# NO BSM YET....

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- Experimentalists are imaginative...
- But sometimes need theory to motivate a signature... *even if it sounds far-fetched!*