

Boosted WW cross – section in the semileptonic channel

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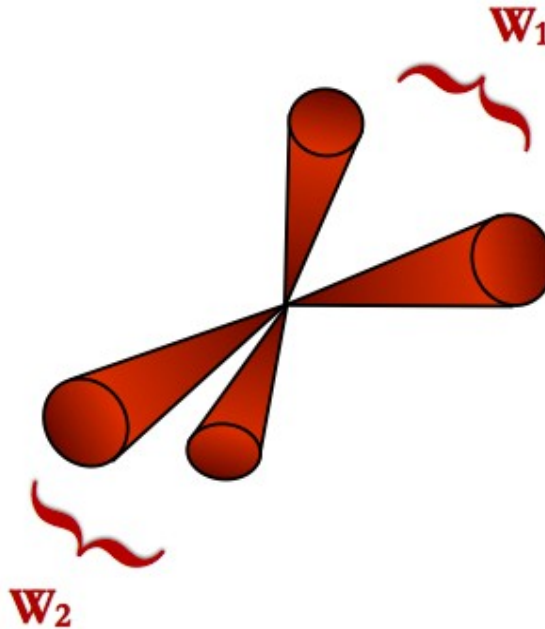
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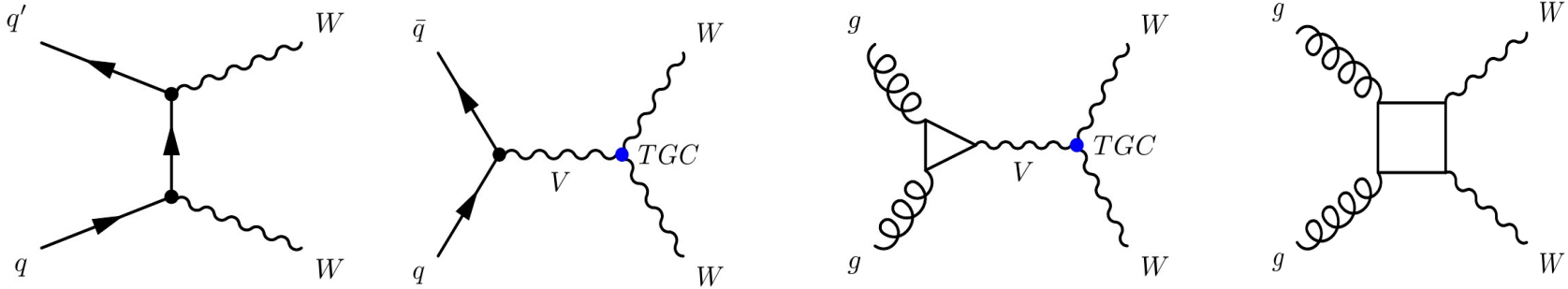
Outline

1. Why measure “boring” SM cross-section?
2. Boosted objects and jet - substructure
3. Multivariate Methods



Motivation

- WW - production sensitive to anomalous triple gauge boson couplings (aTGCs)



- Important test for SM
- Deviations from SM become more enhanced with increasing CM energy
- Mild excess in σ found by ATLAS and CMS
- Dominant background for $H \rightarrow WW^*$
- With higher CM energy, boosted topologies become much more important
- Lately a large number of jet substructure methods on the market
- Can be nicely used to discriminate S/B



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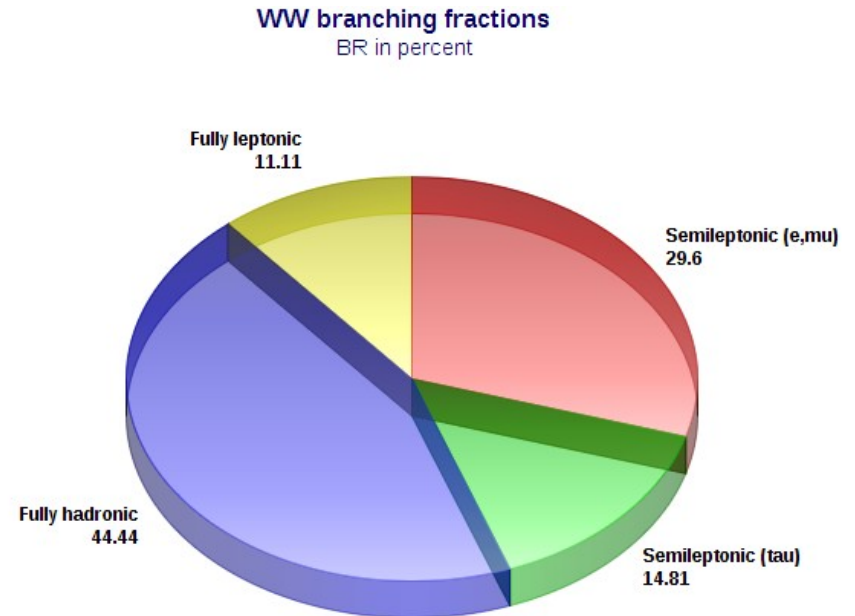
- Semileptonic channel has a high branching ratio

$$\text{BR}(WW \rightarrow l \nu l \nu) \approx 5\%, \quad (l = e, \mu)$$

$$\text{BR}(WW \rightarrow jj l \nu) \approx 29\%, \quad (l = e, \mu)$$

→ Gain factor 6 in statistics

- Full hadronic channel would allow full control over WW system
- Already attempted → **Impossible!**
- Need hard lepton to trigger the event and suppress QCD - multijet events
- Downside:**
Detector resolution too low to distinguish jets from W and Z
 - Have to measure **combined WW+WZ cross - section**
 - In turn gives better sensitivity to **aTGCs** (arXiv:1410.7238v1)



ATLAS @ LHC



2012 Data: $\sqrt{s}=8$ TeV, $\int \mathcal{L} dt=21 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

- In the Muonstream alone, there are **725M** recorded events, **46k** of which are WW
- After event selection: Only **500 - 1000** signal events left



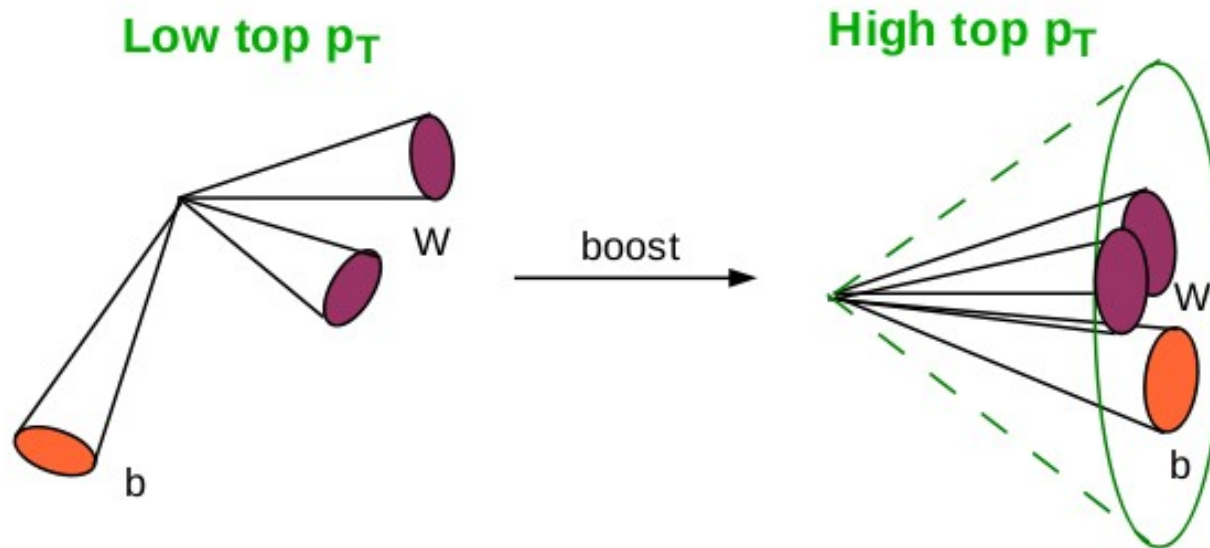
2. Boosted topologies and jet - substructure



Why jet substructure?

- **High center of mass energy at the LHC:**

- Large amount of heavy particles is produced boosted and decaying in a collimated (single jet like) final state
- Decay products are clustered into one jet with size $R \approx \frac{2m}{p_T}$
- Final state not resolvable with standard (narrow jet) techniques anymore
→ Go to “fat jets”



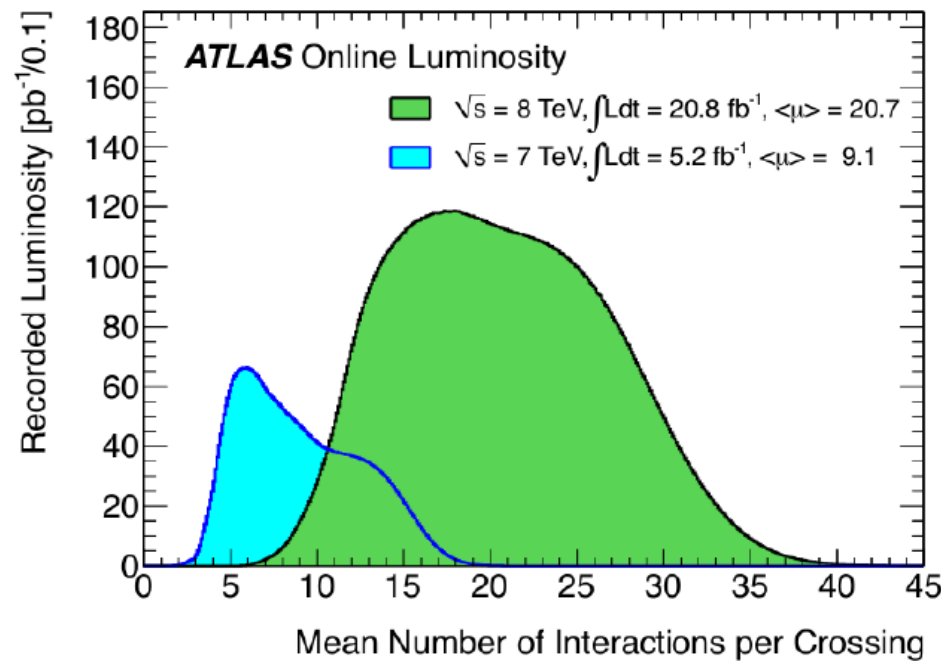
- Fat jet **mass** is an important variable to identify decayed particles



Why jet substructure

- **High luminosity:**

- Additional pp - collisions per bunch crossing (pile-up) deteriorate jet mass and shape
- Need technique to separate internal energy flow structures from diffuse pile-up contributions for mass reconstruction



- **Jet grooming:**

1. Filtering
2. Pruning
3. Trimming

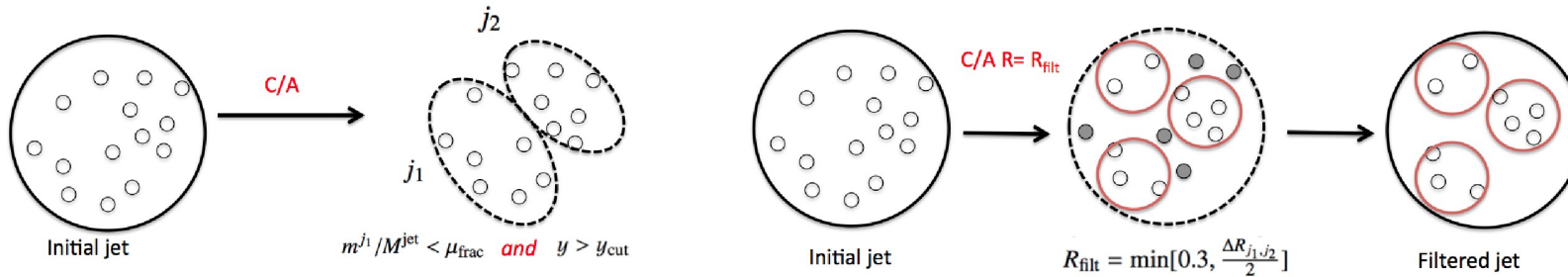
- **Jet substructure:**

- Different techniques/variables to distinguish gluon - jets from heavy particle - jets

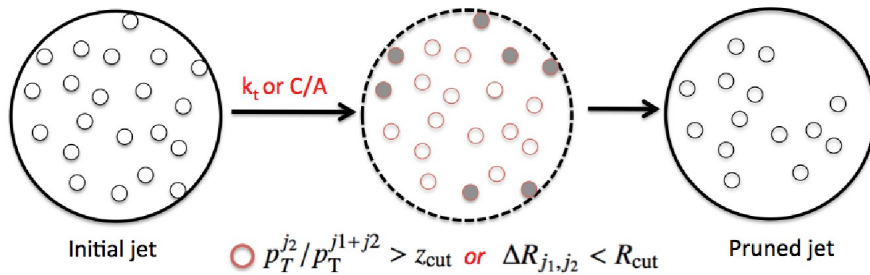


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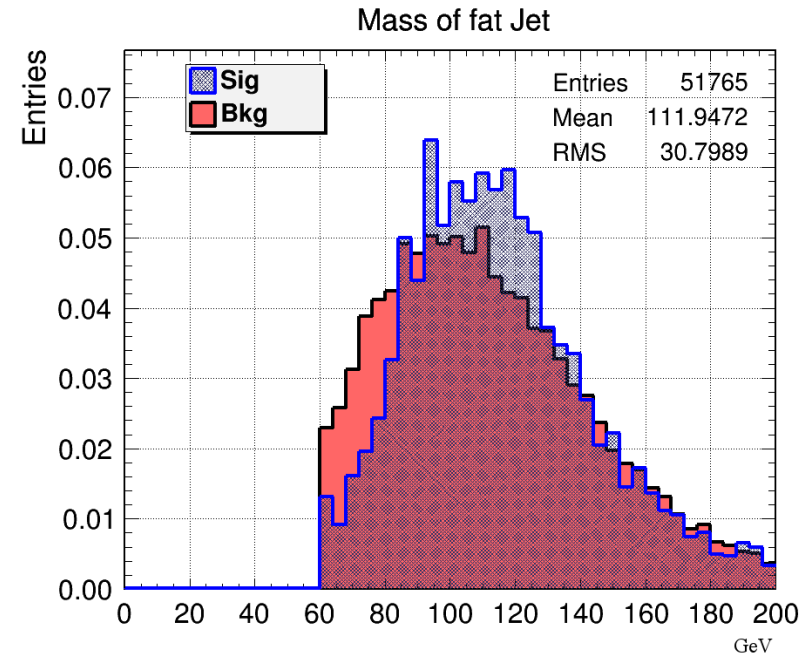
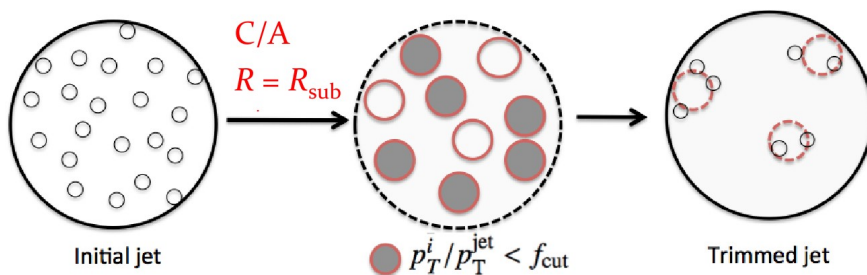
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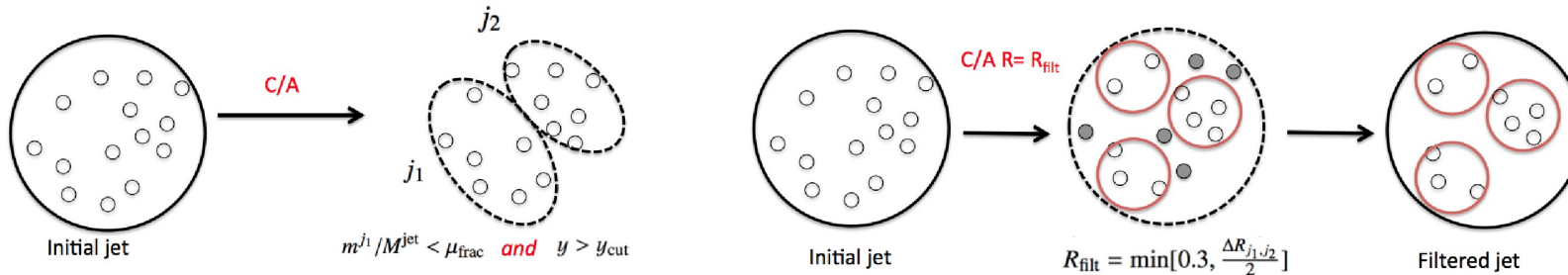


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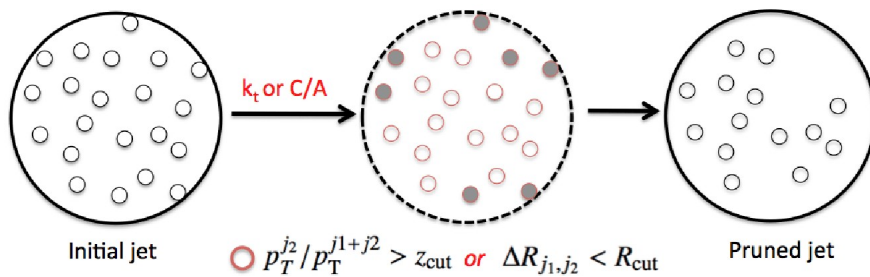


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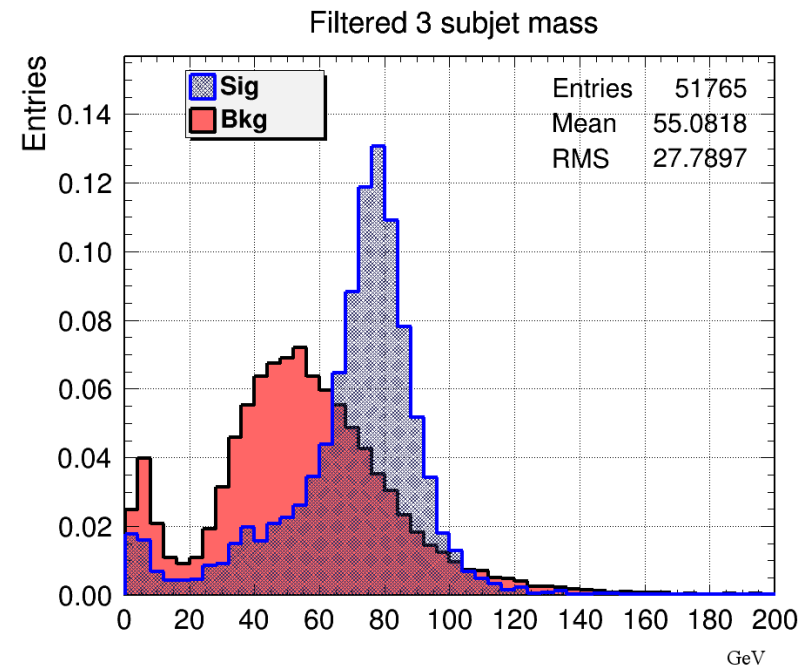
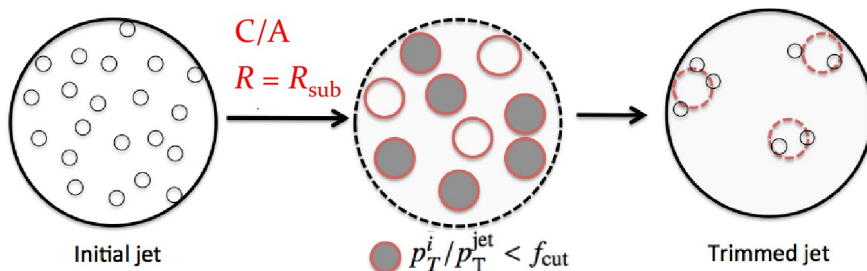
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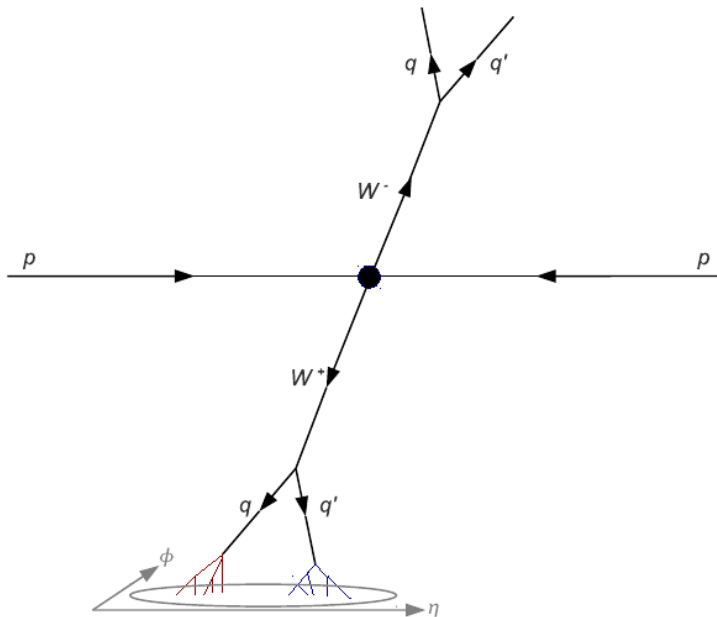


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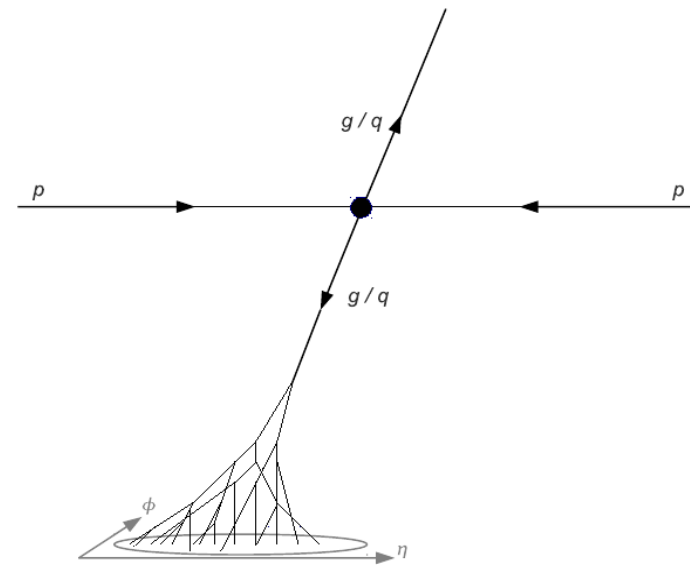


Example: N - subjettiness

- **N - subjettiness**: N can go from 1 to infinity
- **What it means:**
 - τ_N means to what degree a particular jet can be regarded as a jet composed of N subjects
 - $\tau_N \approx 0$: All radiation aligned with candidate subjects → N or fewer subjects
 - $\tau_N \gg 0$: Significant energy distributed away from subjet directions → At least N+1 subjects



Typical W - jet



Typical gluon - jet

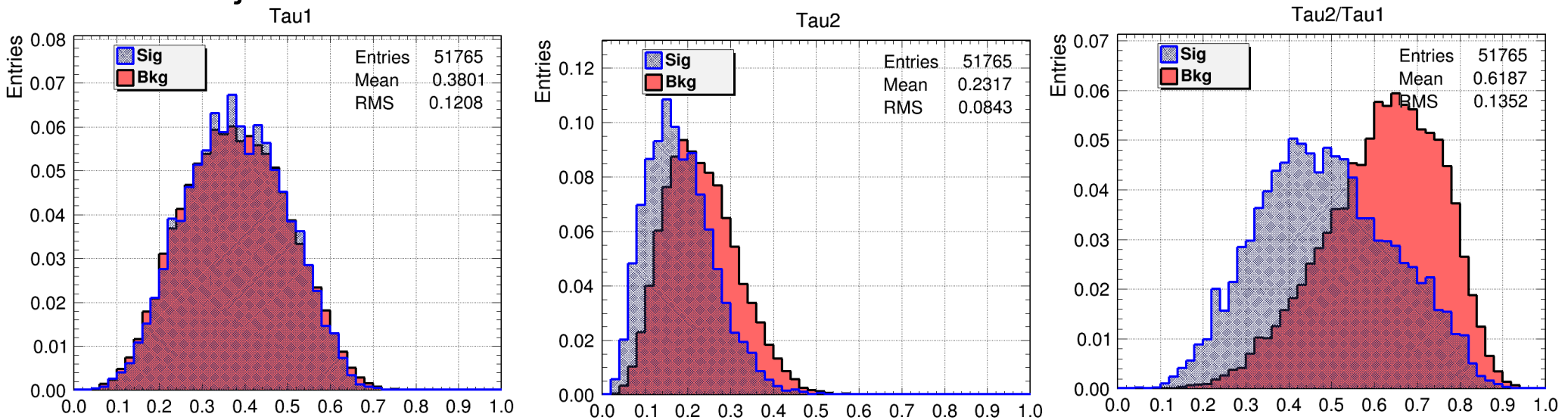


Example: N - subjettiness

- How is it calculated? (arXiv:1011.2268)
- We look at one fat - jet
- Then we identify N candidate subjets (force k_T - algorithm to return exactly N jets)

$$\tau_N = a \cdot \sum_k p_{T,k} \min(\Delta R_{1,k}, \Delta R_{2,k}, \dots, \Delta R_{N,k})$$

- k runs over the jet constituents and $\Delta R_{J,k}$ is the distance between the subjet J and the constituent k



- Best discrimination by using the ratio

$$\frac{\tau_{N+1}}{\tau_N}$$



Event selection

- Won't go into details, only important cuts are mentioned
 1. Require exactly **one** hard, well reconstructed **lepton** (electron or muon)
 2. **Missing transverse energy** from the neutrino of > 30 GeV
 3. At least one Cambridge-Aachen ($R = 1.2$) jet with:
 - Mass > 60 GeV (W - mass)
 - $p_T > 150$ GeV
 4. Jet has to pass **mass drop tagging** and undergo **filtering**, filtered jet has to fall into **W - mass window** ($60 \text{ GeV} < m_J < 100 \text{ GeV}$)
- Still low S/B fraction $S/(S+B) \sim 3\%$:
 - Make use of substructure variables and combine them in a multivariate analysis
 1. Boosted Decision Tree
 2. Neural Network
 3. Likelihood Function

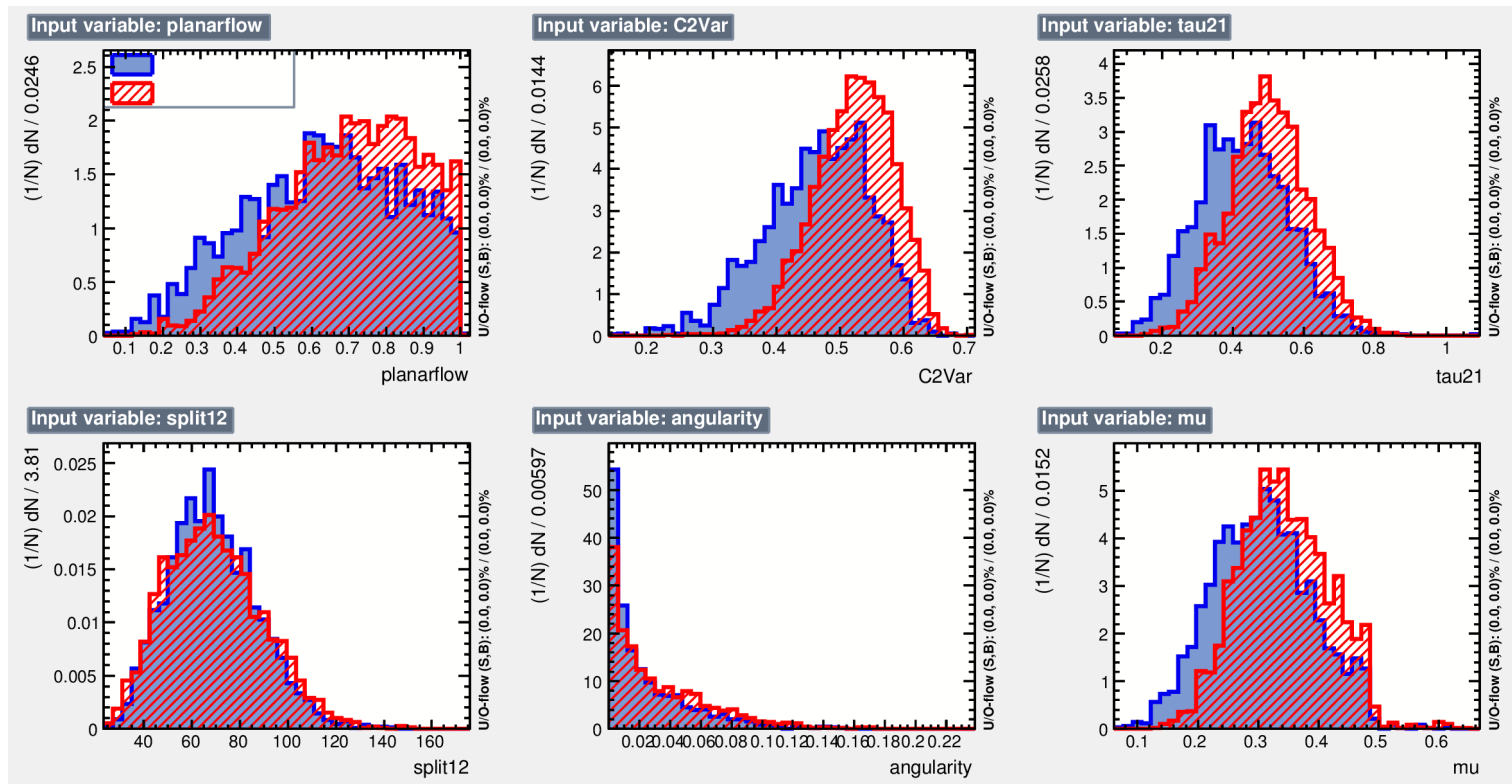


3. Multivariate Methods



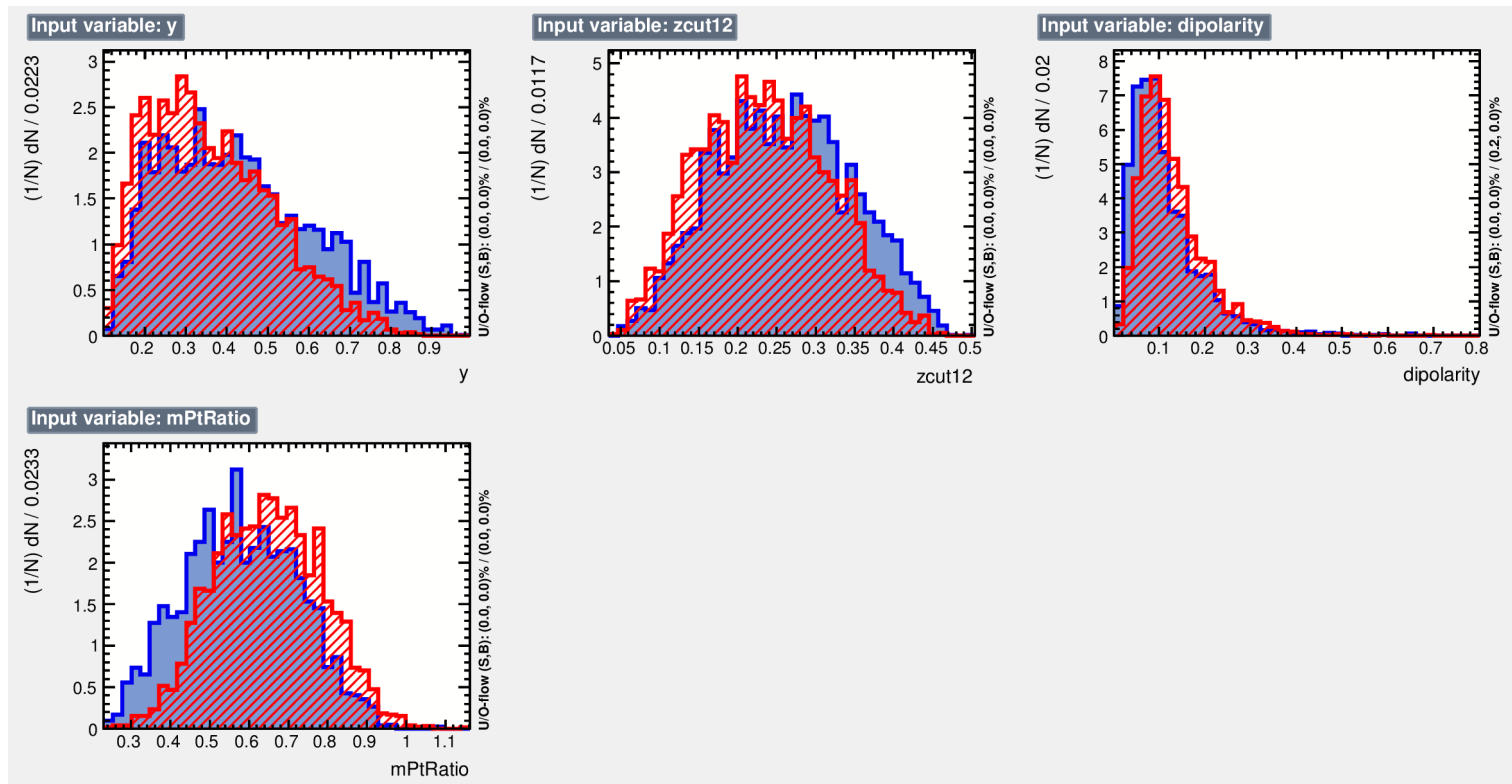
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- Idea of MV methods is to **combine** separating power of **several variables** into one
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- MV methods take into account **correlations** between variables
- Have to be **trained** with Monte Carlo events
- Generally a very **robust** way to **classify** signal and background events as such



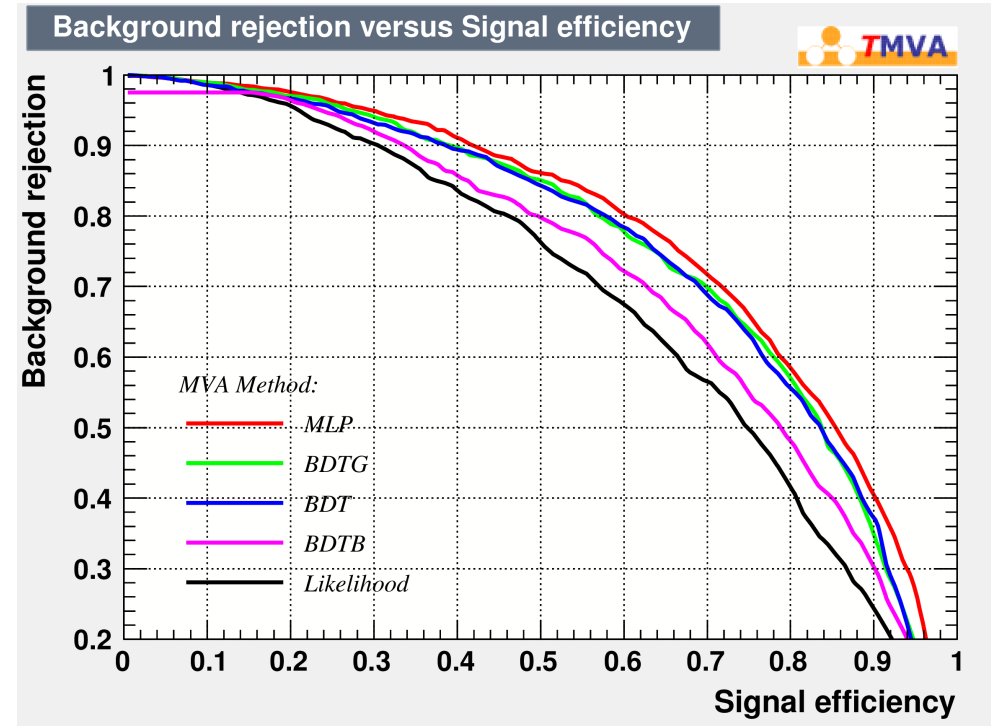
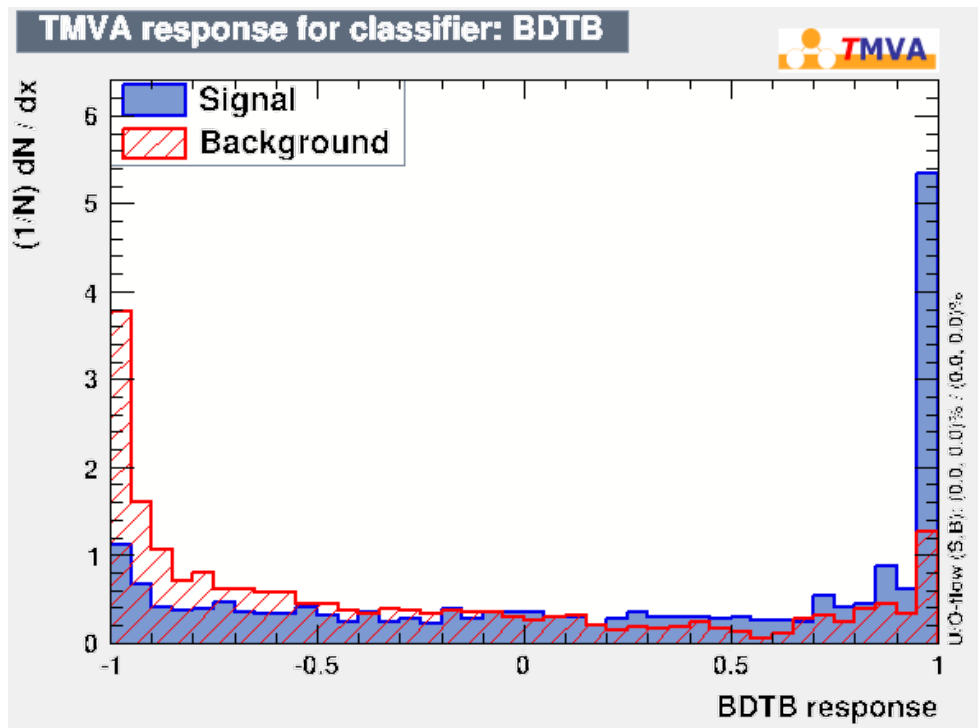
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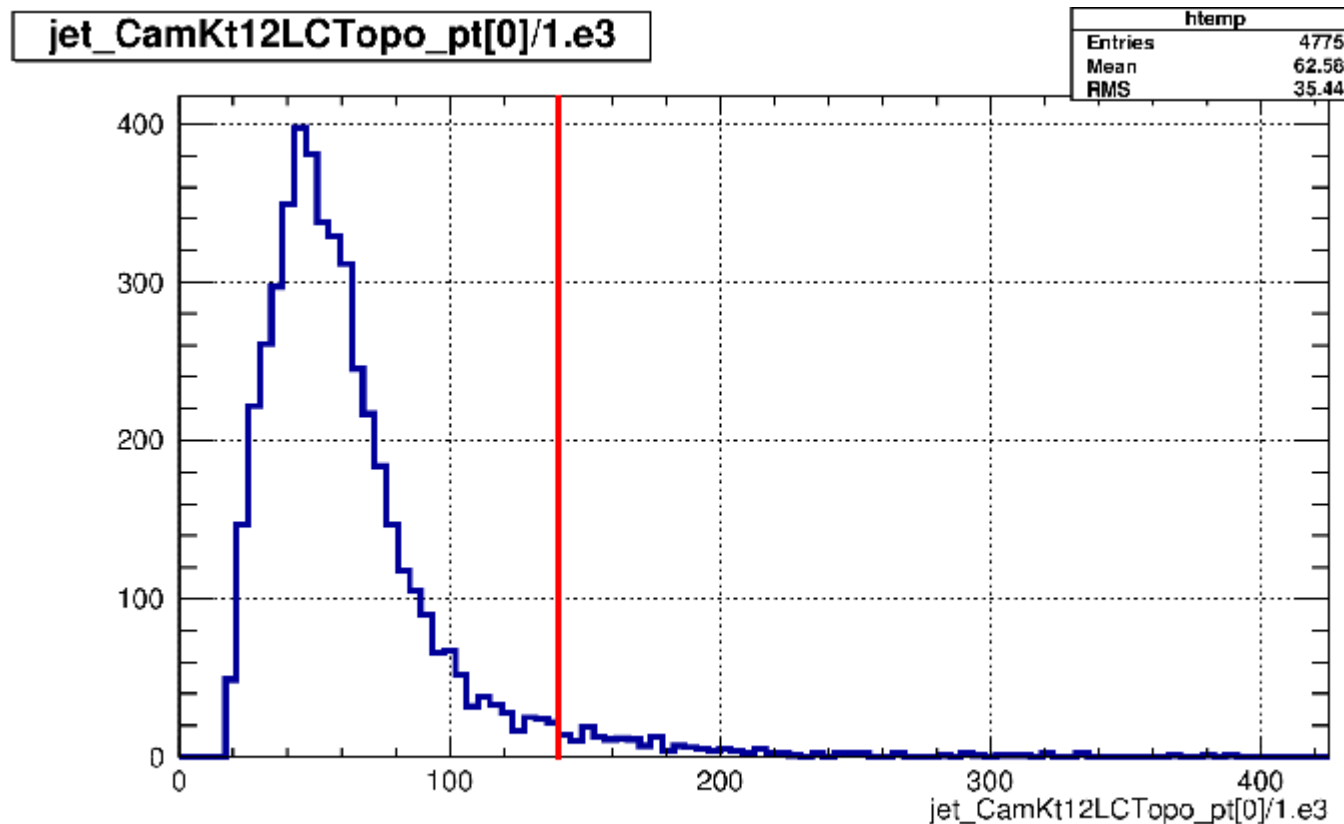
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Conclusion

1. Boosted topologies are a wide and interesting field which becomes increasingly important
2. Not the easiest channel, boost - requirement already throws away around $\sim 96\%$ of all signal events
3. Substructure is very powerful to disentangle S from B
4. Multivariate tools provide a good way to combine variables

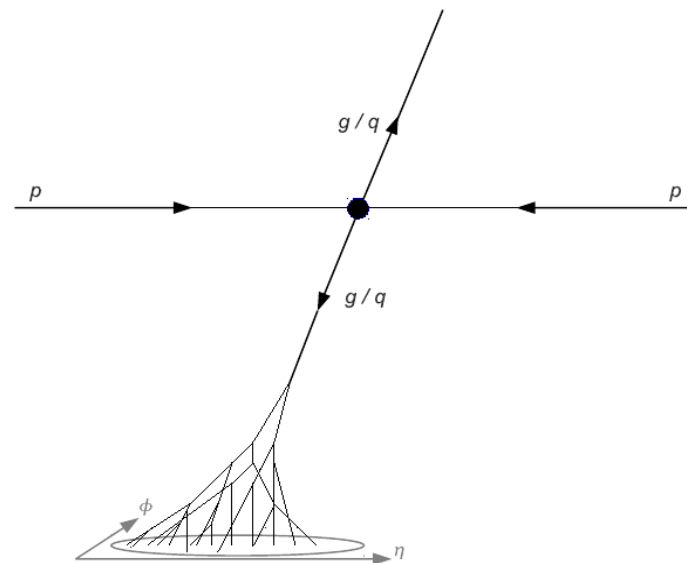
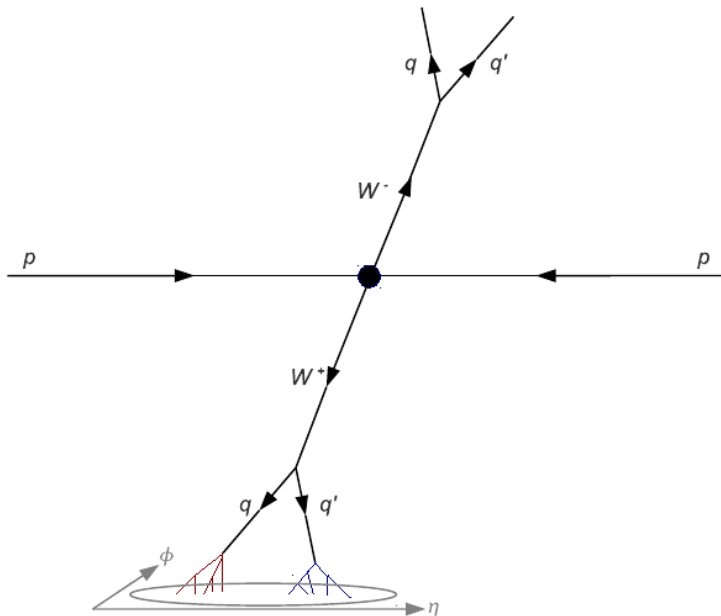


Backup Slides



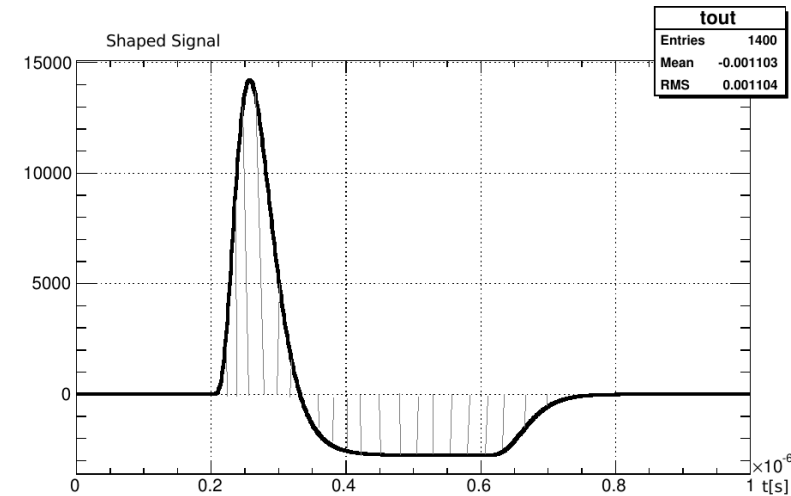
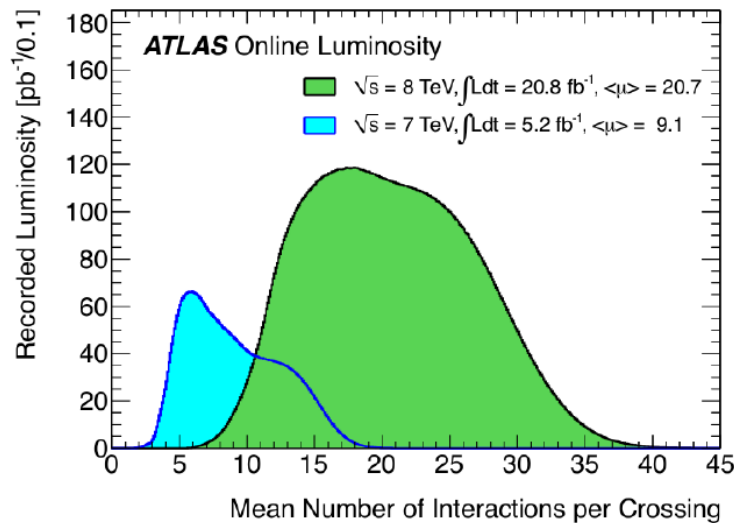
Example: N-subjettiness

- One typical variable: N-subjettiness (arXiv:1011.2268)
- We look at one W-jet (jet has W mass)
- Then we identify N candidate subjets (hardest p_T reclustered jets)
- $\tau_N = \frac{1}{d_0} \sum_k p_{T,k} \min(\Delta R_{1,k}, \Delta R_{2,k}, \dots, \Delta R_{N,k})$
- k runs over the jet constituents and $\Delta R_{J,k}$ is the distance between the subjet J and the constituent k
- $d_0 = \sum_k p_{T,k} R_0$ is the original jet's radius.

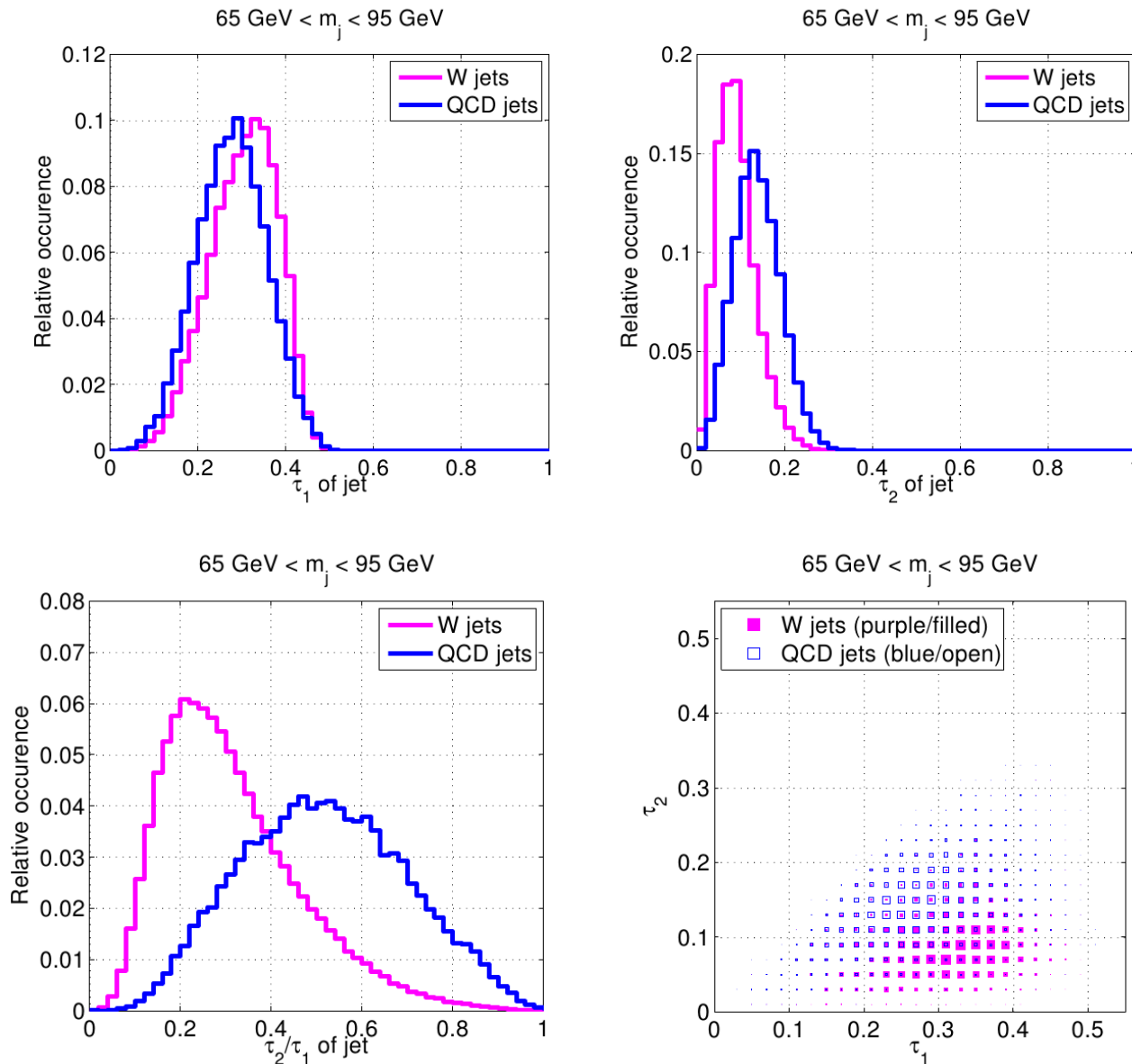


Pile-up

- Two types of pileup
 - In time pileup
 - Out of time pileup
- In time pileup:**
 - Activity in the event from pp collisions in the same bunch crossing
 - Can be characterized by N_{PV} (number of primary vertices)
- Out of time pileup:**
 - Remaining signal in calorimeters from previous bunch crossings, due to long integration times → leads to negative cells/clusters

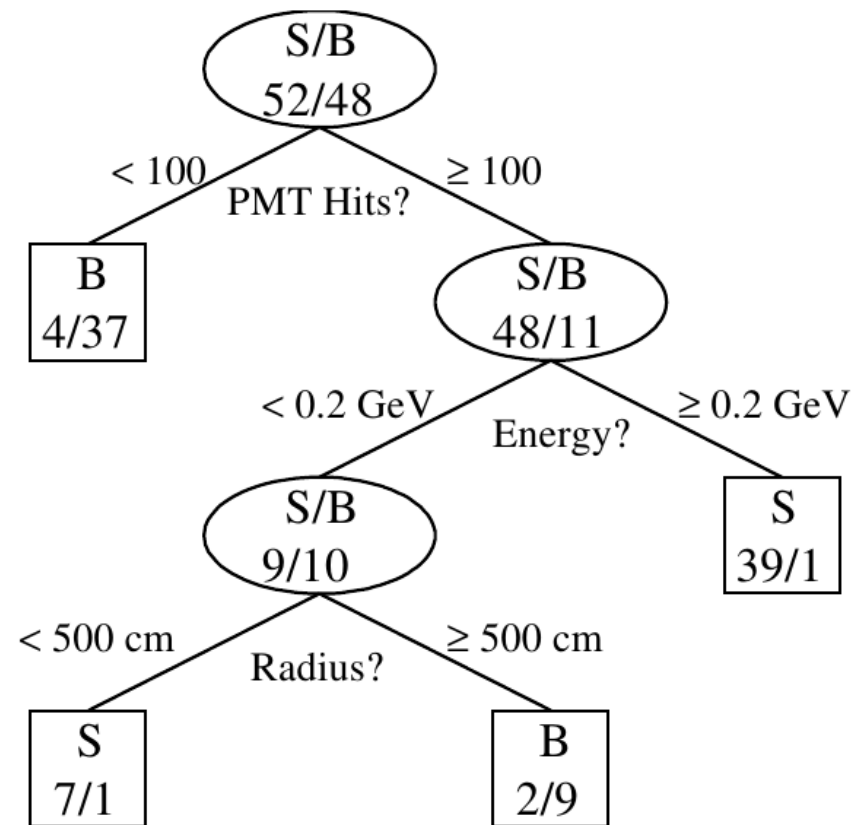


N-subjettiness



Boosted decision tree

- Train tree with S/B events
- In each node, split tree according to best separation
- Until only leaves with purity above a certain threshold are left
- Increase the weight of events that fell on a wrong leaf
- Make a new tree
- Iterate this procedure N times
- As signal classified event gets output value of 1, other wise 0
- Sum over all trees and compute average output value
- This is the final output variable



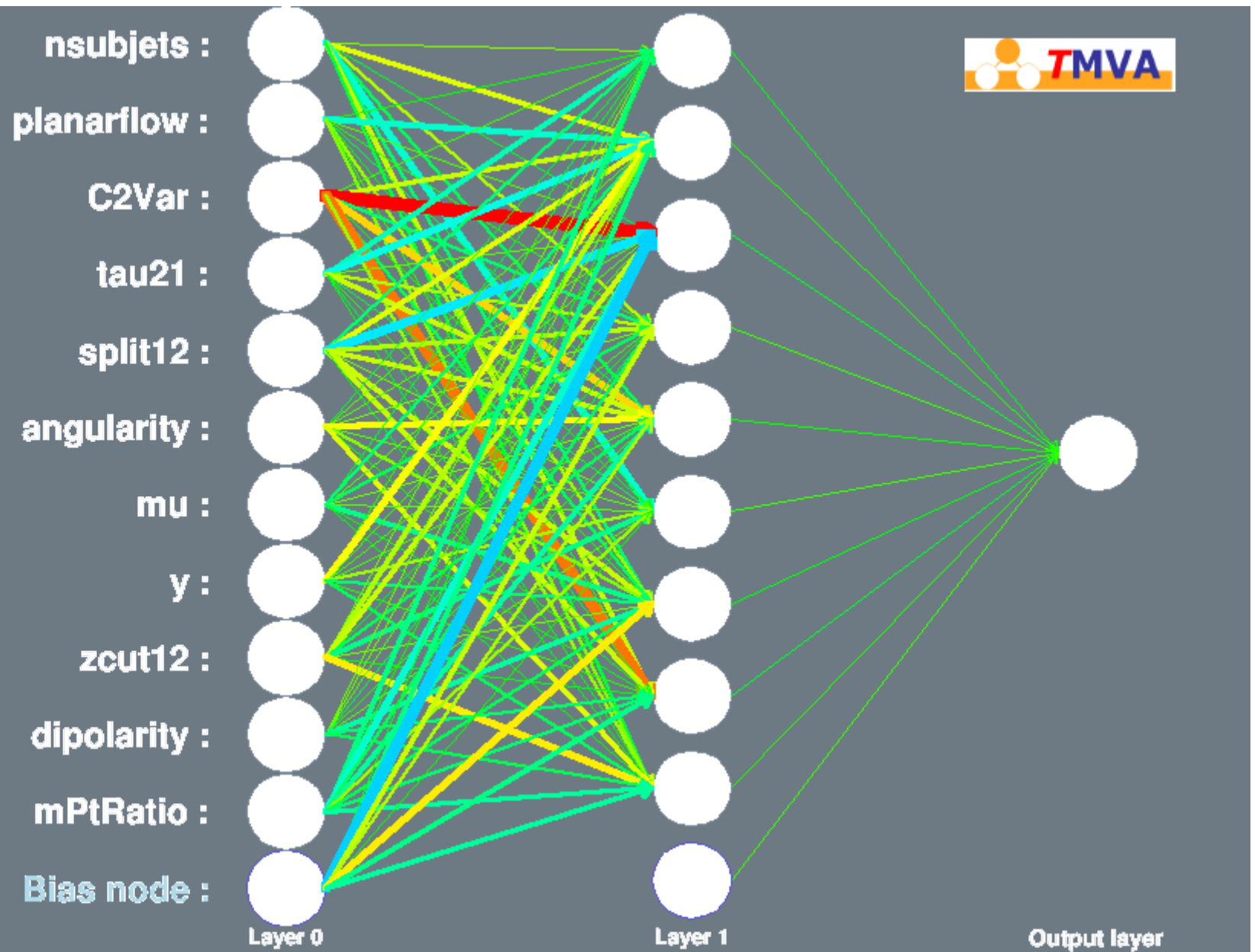
Separating signal and background

- Idea is to combine separating power of many little separating variables
- Solution: **Multivariate method** → Artificial Neural Network (ANN)
- Very powerful at recognizing patterns → Classification
- Has to be trained with many signal and background events (~50k each)

How does it work?



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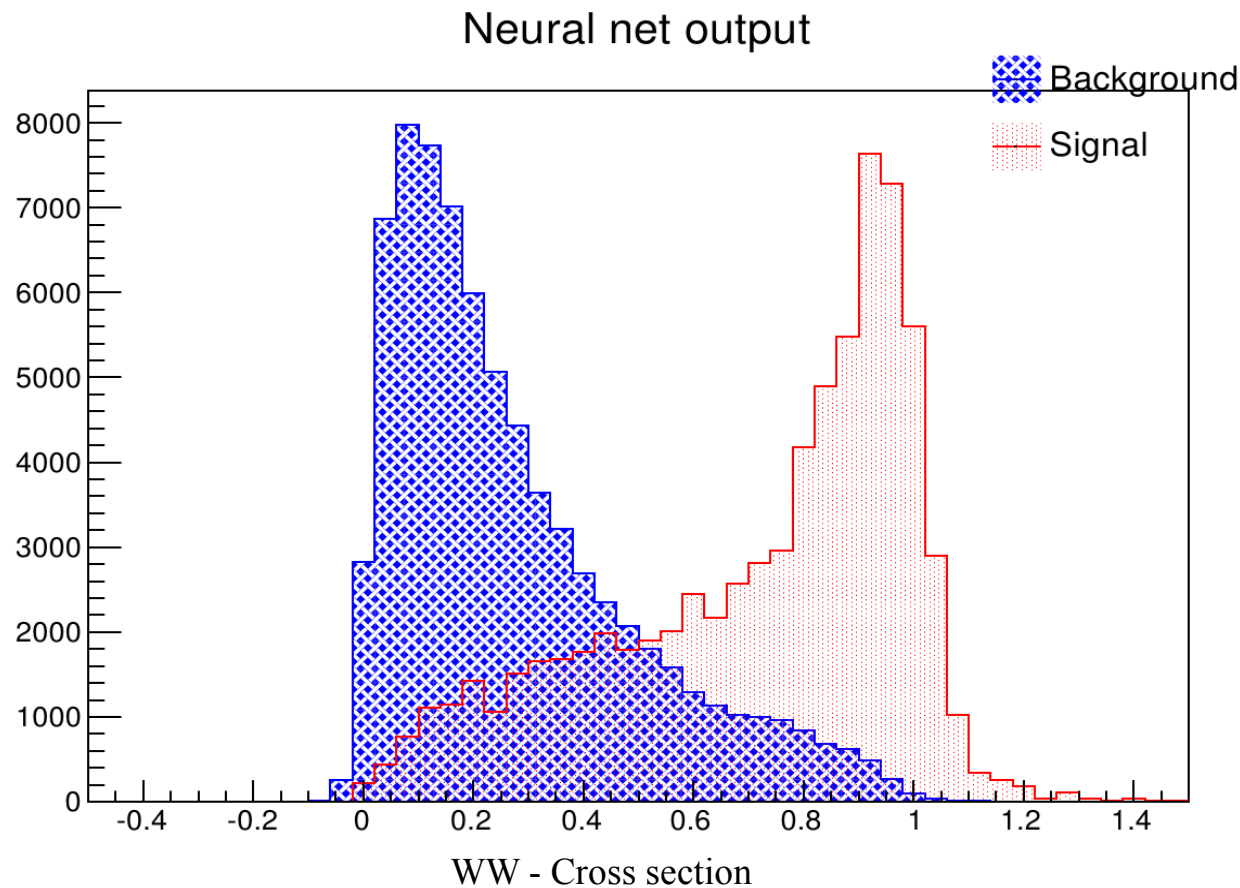
How does it work?

- Not programmed, but *trained*
- Supervised learning
- Feed the NN with all signal and bkg. events, where each is flagged as such
- After that (1 epoch) adjust weights of every synapse and node
- In signal case, answer at output layer shall be 1, other wise 0
- Train with some thousand epochs
- Apply trained network on data



Separating signal and background

- For training, use data instead of MC as background
- Assumption data is bkg only very well justified: $\frac{S}{B} \approx 2 \cdot 10^{-5}$



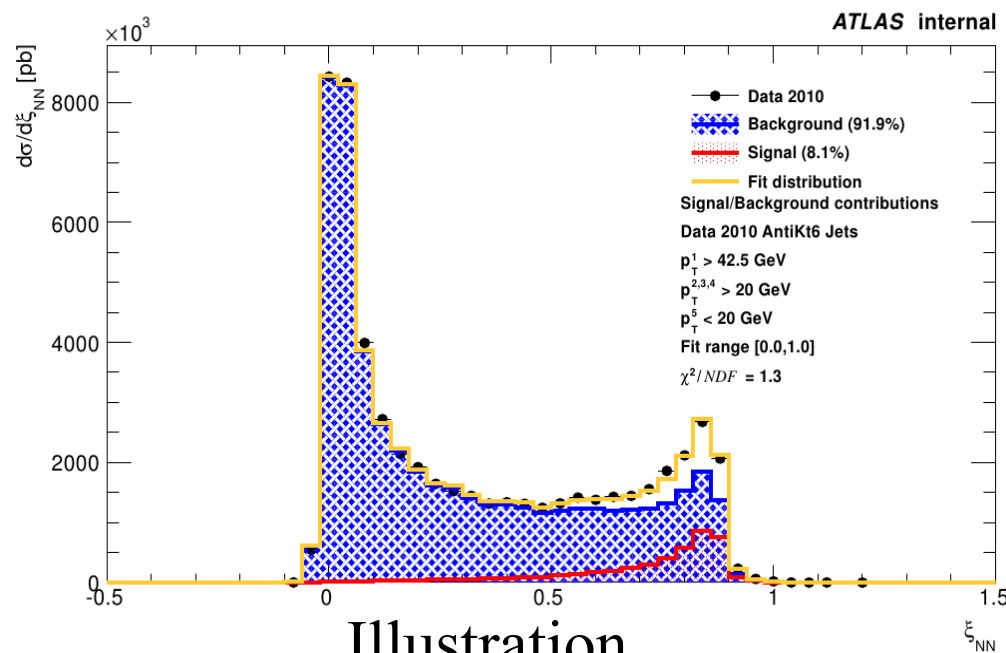
Separating signal and background

- Absolute amount of signal events still very small
- Cutting on the NN output would further reduce signal rate
- Better possibility:

Run NN on data and then perform a fit of sig. and bg. output distributions to determine fraction of signal in data

- Access to the cross section

$$F(out) = f_{Sig} \cdot NN_{Sig} + (1 - f_{Sig}) \cdot NN_{Bkg}$$



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Neural Net

