



Jet algorithms

Modern jet definitions (for hadronic colliders)

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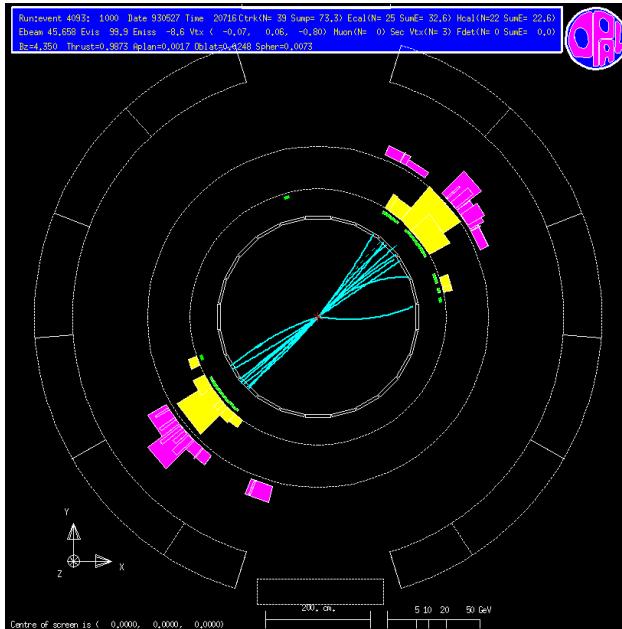
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Foreword: what are jets?

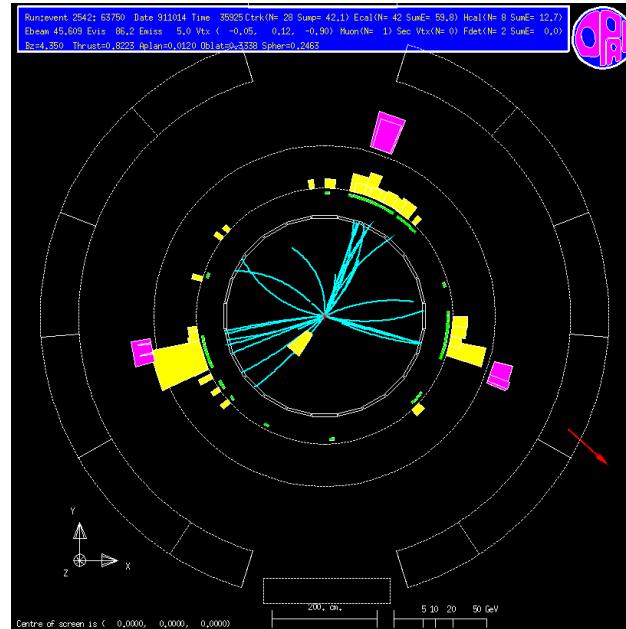
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$$\text{Diagram showing two parallel arrows pointing right, with a wavy line between them labeled } |\theta| \quad dP \propto \alpha_s \frac{d\theta}{\theta}$$

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In practice: use of a jet definition

$$\text{particles } \{p_i\} \xrightarrow[\text{definition}]{\text{jet}} \text{jets } \{j_k\}$$

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Plan

- Jet algorithms and jet definitions
 - e^+e^- collisions: the most simple case
 - pp collisions: most simple case jets in hadronic environments
⇒ modern jet algorithms
- More advanced topics: how to better use the tools we have?
 - jet areas: tool for pileup subtraction
 - new generation of algorithms
 - Optimal choice (for kinematic reconstructions)

Foreword: an illustrative example

Example process to illustrate various effects:

$$Z' \rightarrow q\bar{q} \rightarrow 2 \text{ jets}$$

- $M_{Z'} = 300 \text{ GeV}$ (width $< 1 \text{ GeV}$)
- Reconstruction method:
 - get the 2 hardest jets: j_1 and j_2
 - reconstruct the Z' : $m_{Z'} = (j_1 + j_2)^2$
- Look how the mass peak is reconstructed

e^+e^- : recombination algorithms

Recipe:

- find the pair (i, j) with the smallest d_{ij} distance
- recombine i and j
- repeat (until objects more than R apart)

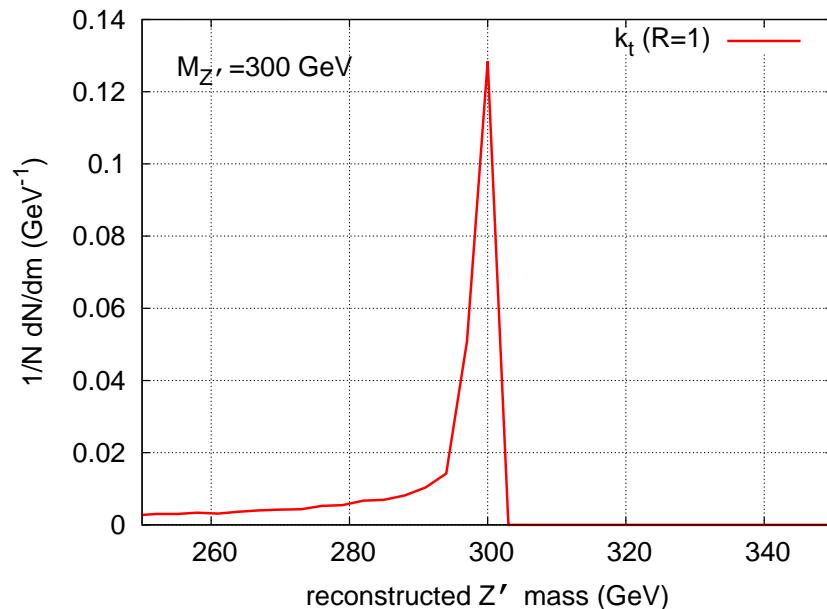
Distance: k_t algorithm

$$d_{ij} = \min(E_i^2, E_j^2)[1 - \cos(\theta_{ij})]$$

- $d_{ij} \rightarrow 0$ for soft and collinear splittings

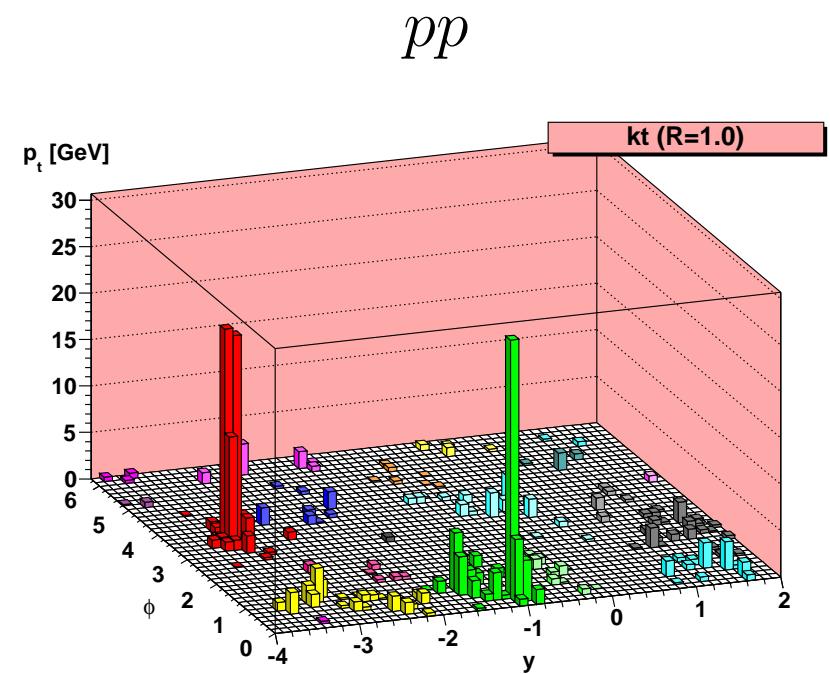
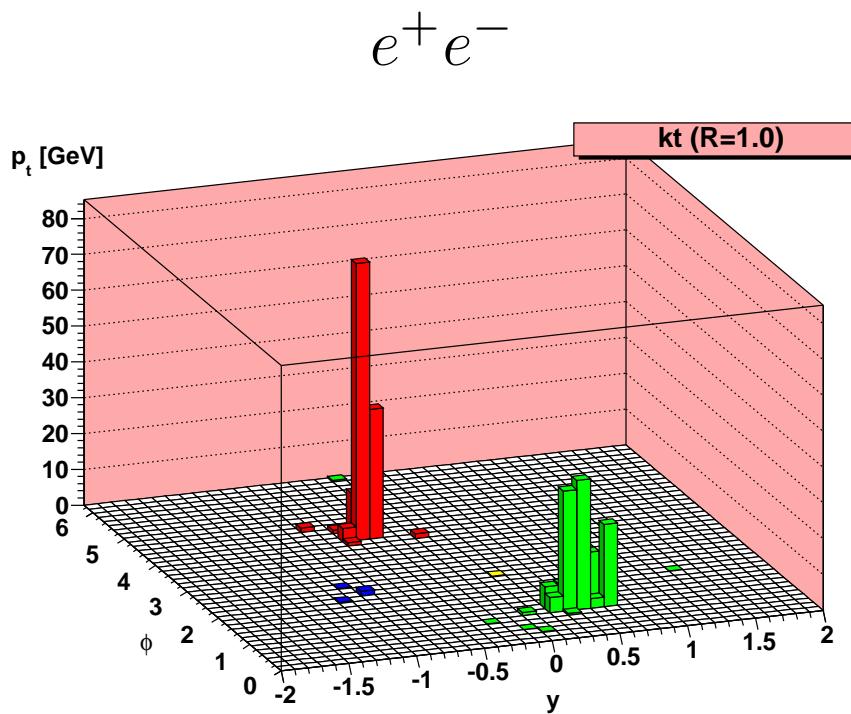
$$dP = \alpha_s \frac{d\theta}{\theta} \frac{dp_t}{p_t}$$

- without the prefactor: Cambridge/Aachen



pp collisions: jets in hadronic environments

Initial-state radiation + underlying event \Rightarrow noisier environment

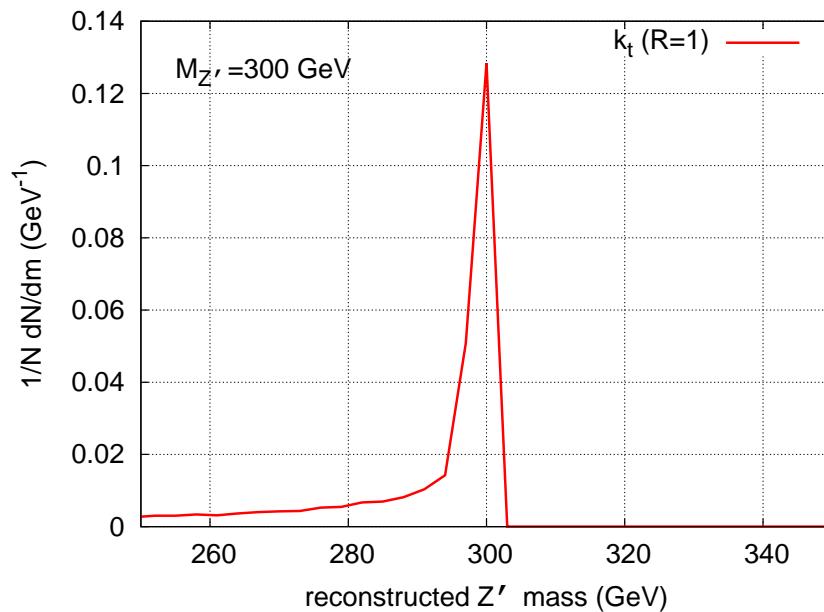


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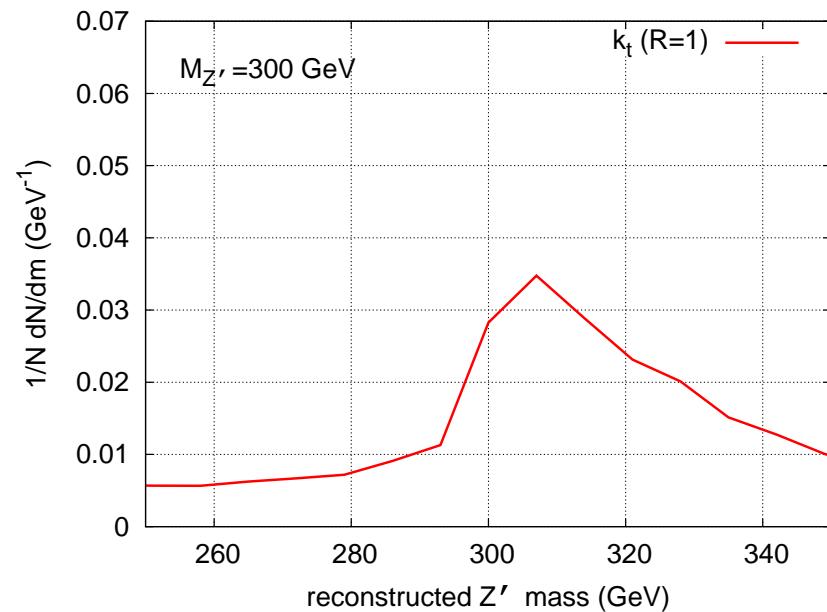
Our example: moving to jets in pp

e^+e^-



width = 0.9 GeV

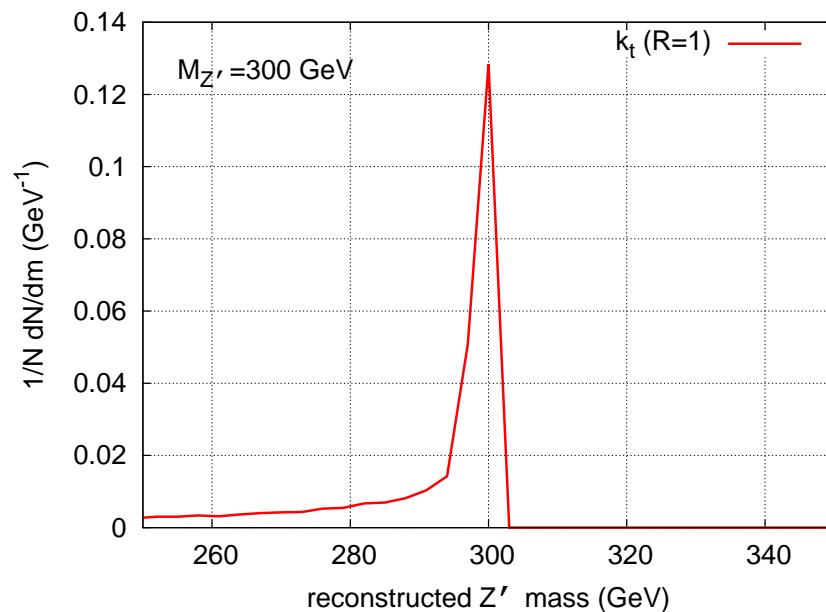
pp



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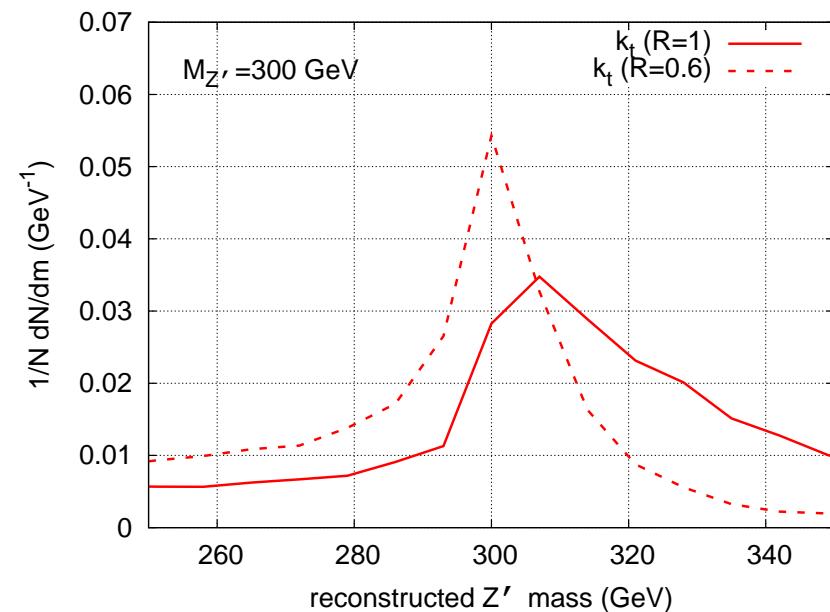
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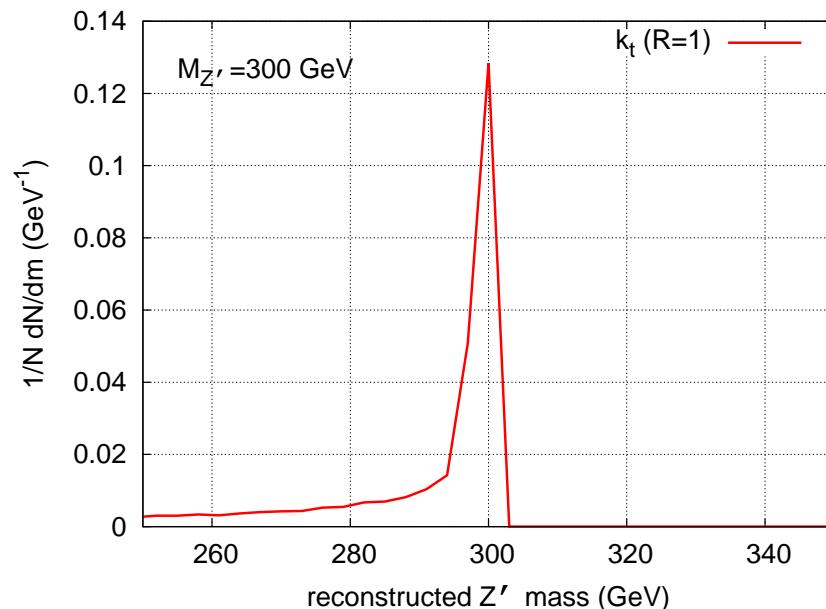
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• Reduce R

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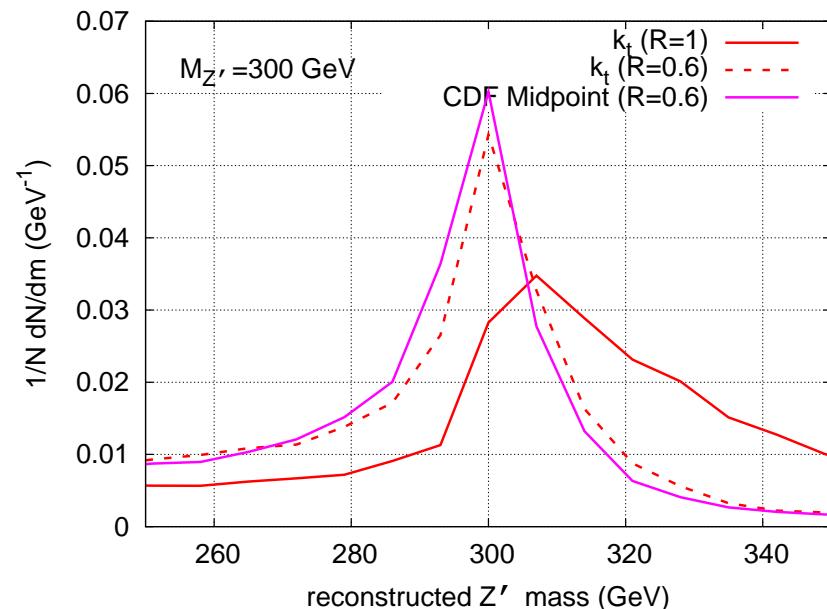
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- Reduce R
- Use the cone algorithm

pp



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The cone algorithm

- Idea: find directions of energy flow
- Stable cone (fixed radius R):
sum of all constituents points in the direction of the centre
- Search: iterate from initial directions (**seeds**)
- Stable cones → jets: deal with overlaps
 - Solution 1: split/merge depending on the amount of overlap
Examples: CDF JetClu, CDF MidPoint, D0 runII, ATLAS Cone
 - Solution 2: progressive removal starting from the hardest seed
Examples: CMS Iterative Cone
Benchmark: circular/rigid jets

Constraints

1990: SNOWMASS accords – constraints to fulfil

Several important properties that should be met by a jet definition are [3]:

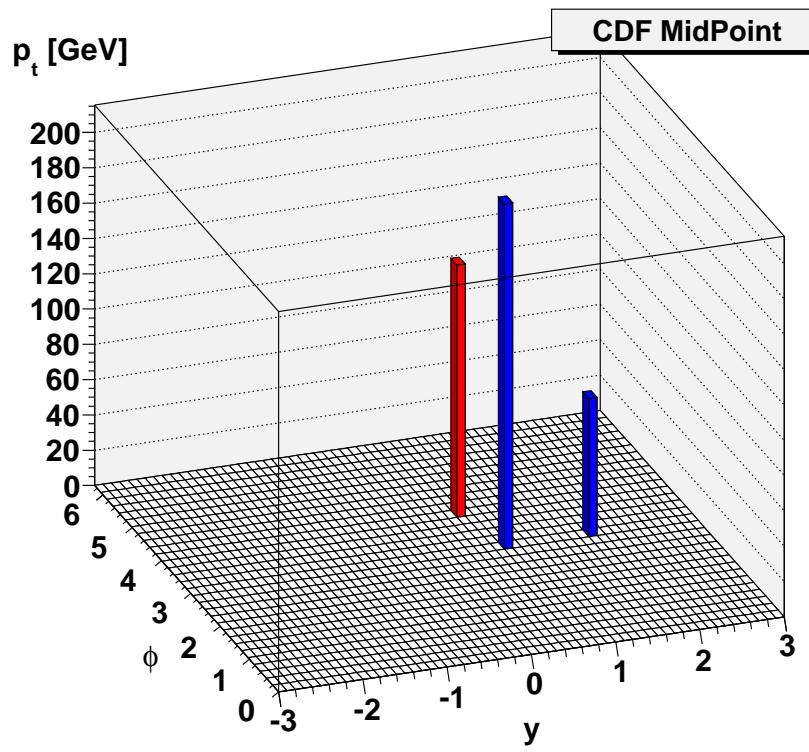
1. Simple to implement in an experimental analysis;
2. Simple to implement in the theoretical calculation;
3. Defined at any order of perturbation theory;
4. Yields finite cross section at any order of perturbation theory;
5. Yields a cross section that is relatively insensitive to hadronization.

Infrared and collinear (IRC) safety:

- ✓ recombination algorithms: Ok
- ✗ Cone: problem inherent to the “seeded” search of stable cones

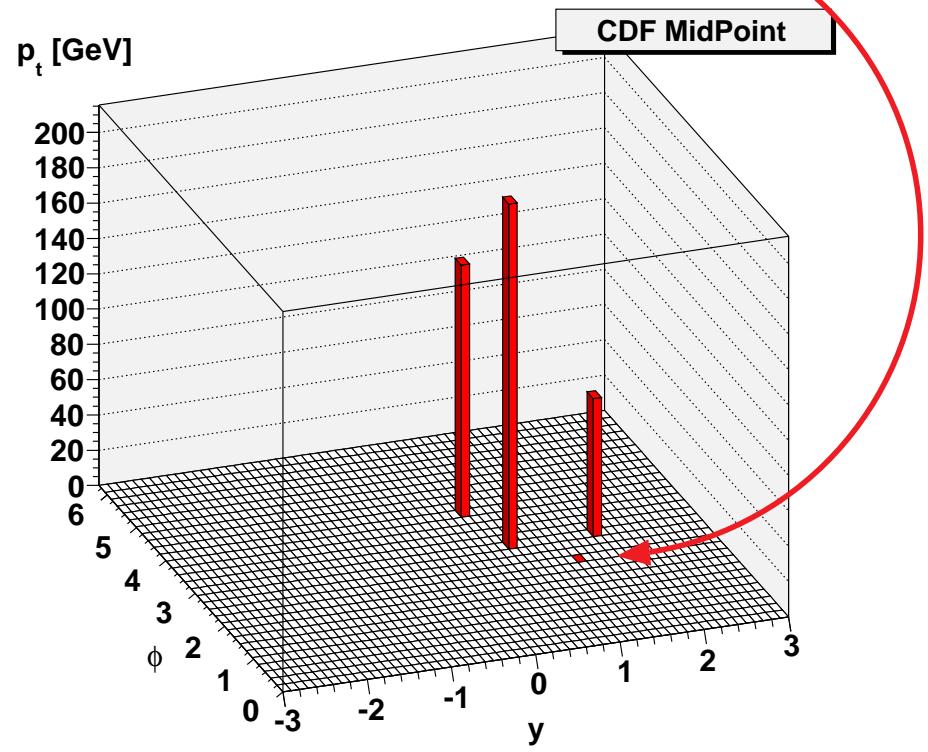
Example: infrared unsafety

3 hard particles



1 jet

+ 1 (very) soft



1 jet

leads to ∞ in perturbative jet cross-sections

⇒ problem with the “MidPoint Cone” (CDF,D0) and the ATLAS cone

New algorithms

- Cone with split–merge (CDF JetClu, CDF/D0 Midpoint, ATLAS cone)

- Idea: Find an efficient seedless implementation that provably identifies all stable cones
- Solution: SISCone: Seedless Infrared-Safe Cone

[G.Salam, GS, 07]

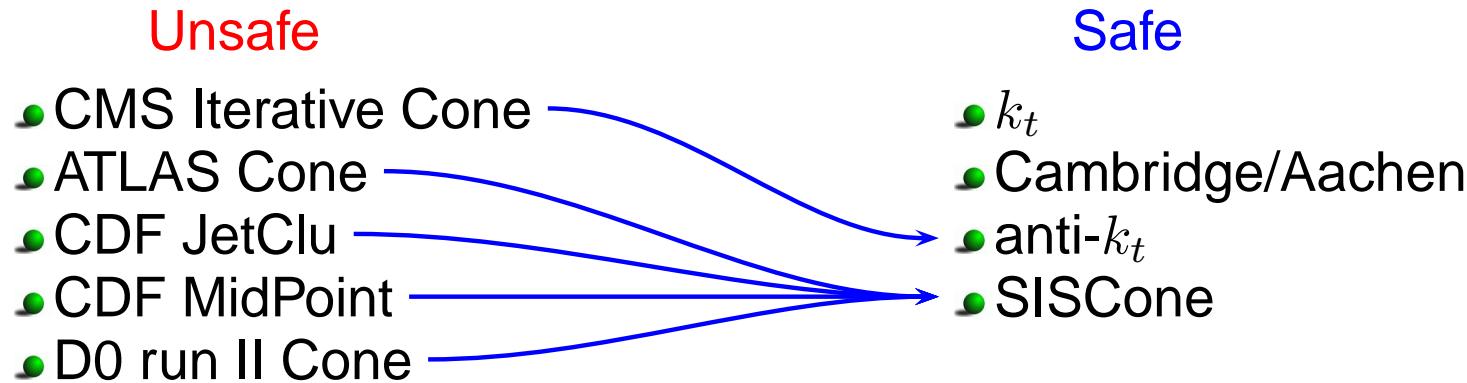
- Cone with progressive removal (CMS Iterative Cone)

- Idea: keep the rigidity of the jets + restore IRC-safety
- Solution: anti- k_t :

$$d_{ij} = \min(k_{t,i}^{-2}, k_{t,j}^{-2})(\Delta y_{ij}^2 + \Delta \phi_{ij}^2)$$

[M.Cacciari, G.Salam, GS, 08]

Impact of these new algorithms



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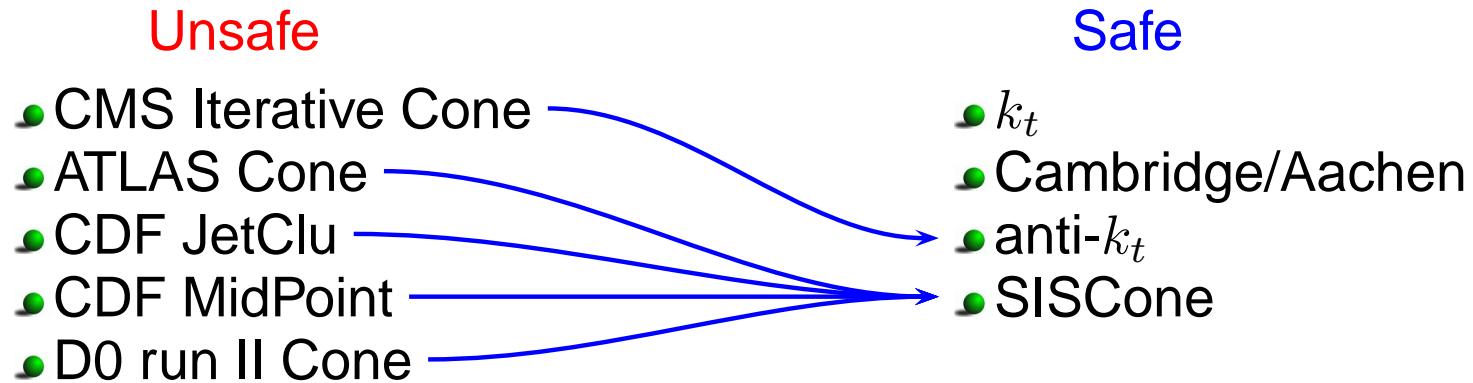
Observable	Last meaningful order	
	MidPoint/CMS	JetClu/ATLAS
Inclusive jet cross sect.	NLO	LO (NLOJet: NLO)
3 jet cross section	LO	none (NLOJet: NLO)
$W/Z/H + 2$ jet x-sect.	LO	none (MCFM: NLO)
jet masses in 3 jets	none	none (NLOJet: LO)



Huge effort (~ 100 M\$) to compute processes in pQCD

anti- k_t adopted as default by ATLAS and CMS

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#-----  
#           FastJet release 2.4  
#       Written by M. Cacciari, G.P. Salam and G. Soyez  
#           http://www.fastjet.fr  
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All those algorithms (and much more)
implemented (efficiently) in FastJet

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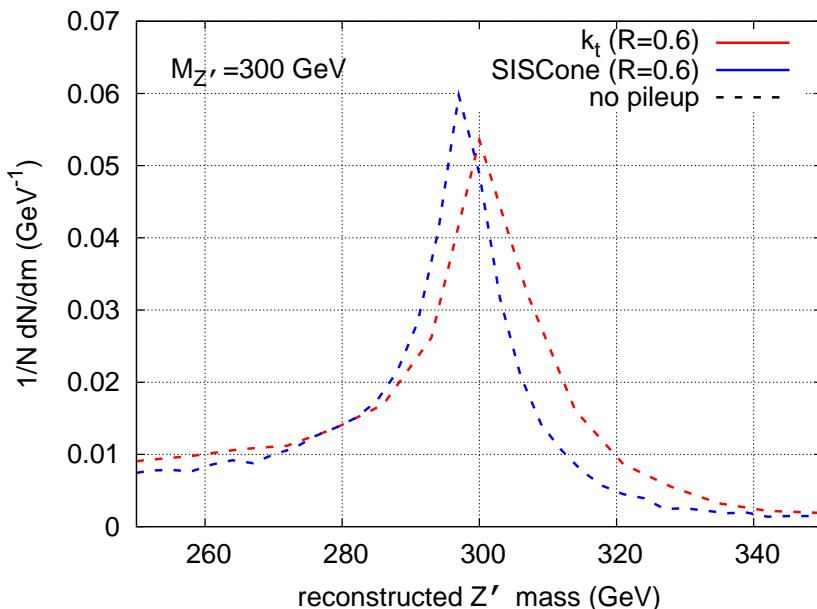


We (finally) have a good set of tools

Can we do better?

Example 1: Pileup effect

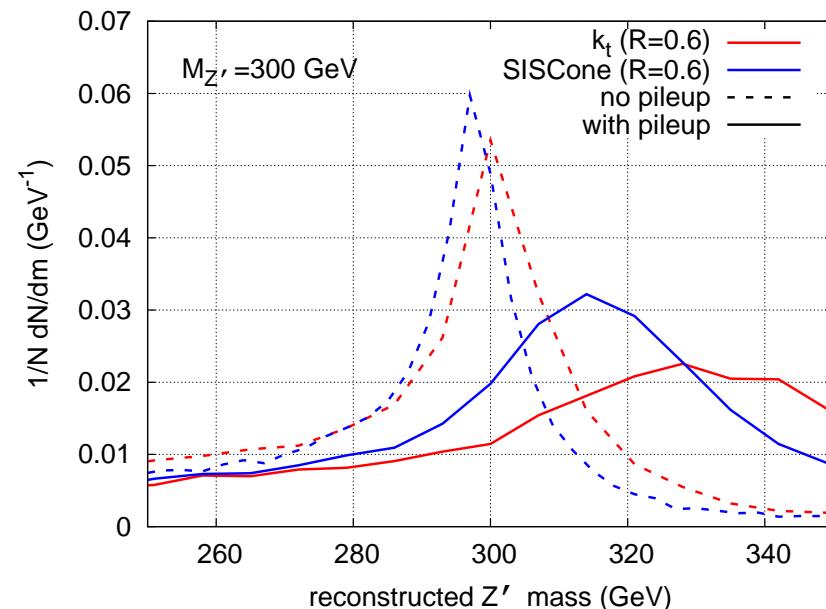
No pileup



width = 14.2 GeV

width = 11.6 GeV

With pileup



width = 29.5 GeV

width = 21.0 GeV

- ✗ shifted towards larger masses
- ✗ width increased

Pileup subtraction (for uniform backgrounds)

Basic idea: [M.Cacciari, G.Salam, 08]

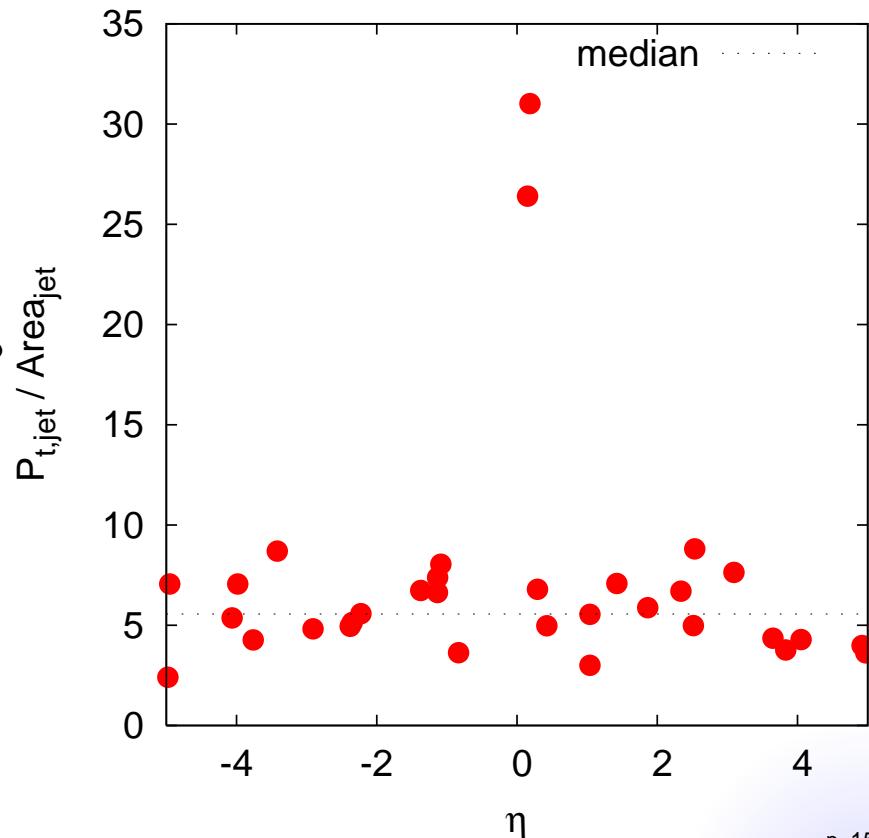
$$p_{t,\text{subtracted}} = p_{t,\text{jet}} - \rho_{\text{pileup}} \times \text{Area}_{\text{jet}}$$

• Jet area: [M.Cacciari, G.Salam, G.S., 08]

- region where the jet catches infinitely soft particles (active/passive)
- analytic control and understanding in pQCD

• Pileup density per unit area: ρ_{pileup}

e.g. estimated from the median
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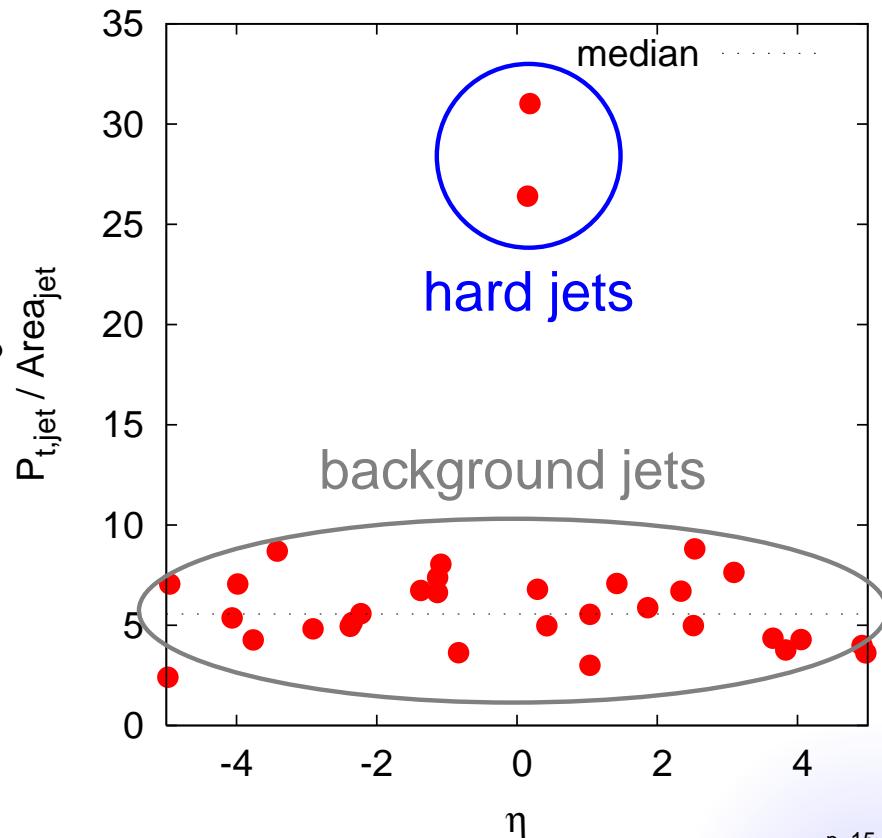
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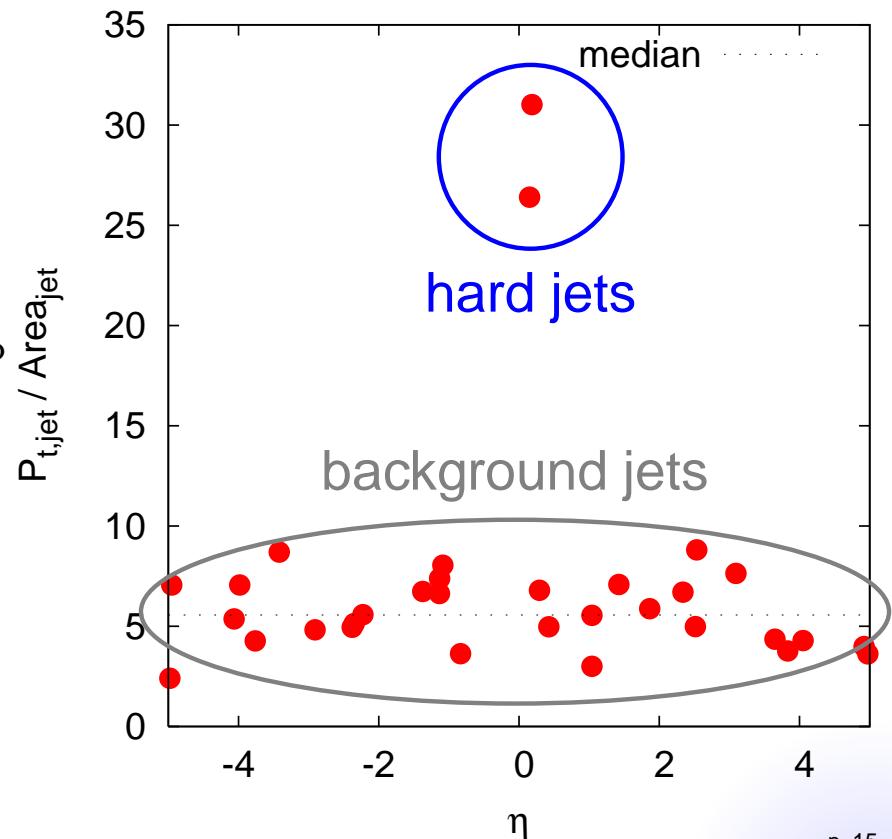
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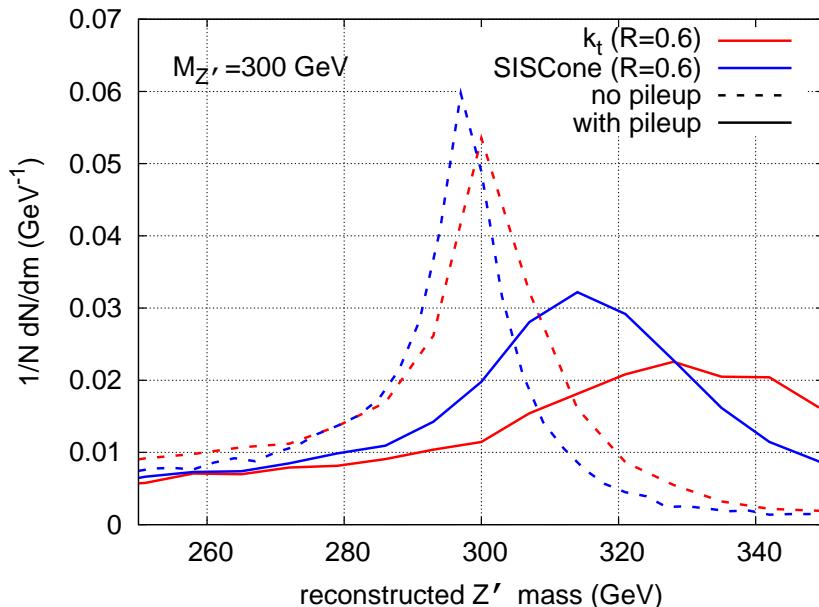
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implemented in FastJet
on an event-by-event basis



Our example: subtracting pileup

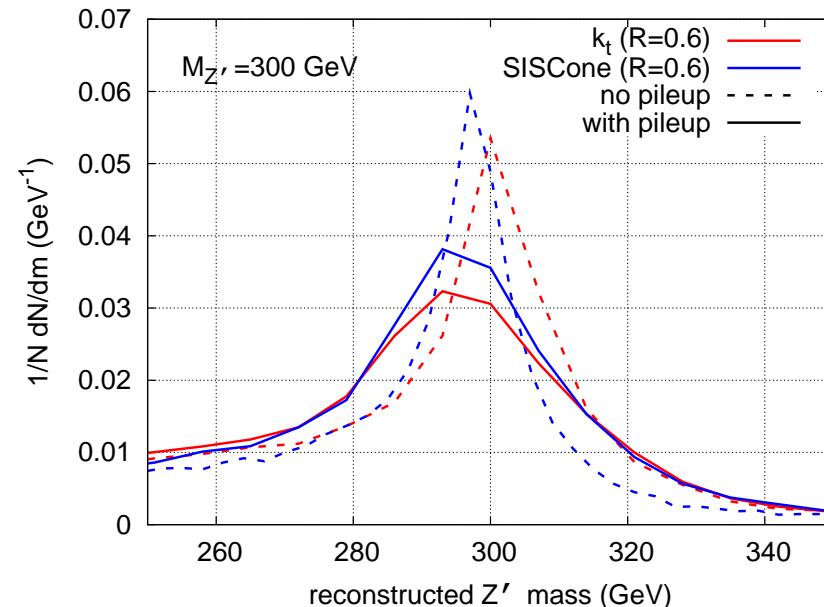
Pileup unsubtracted



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pileup subtracted



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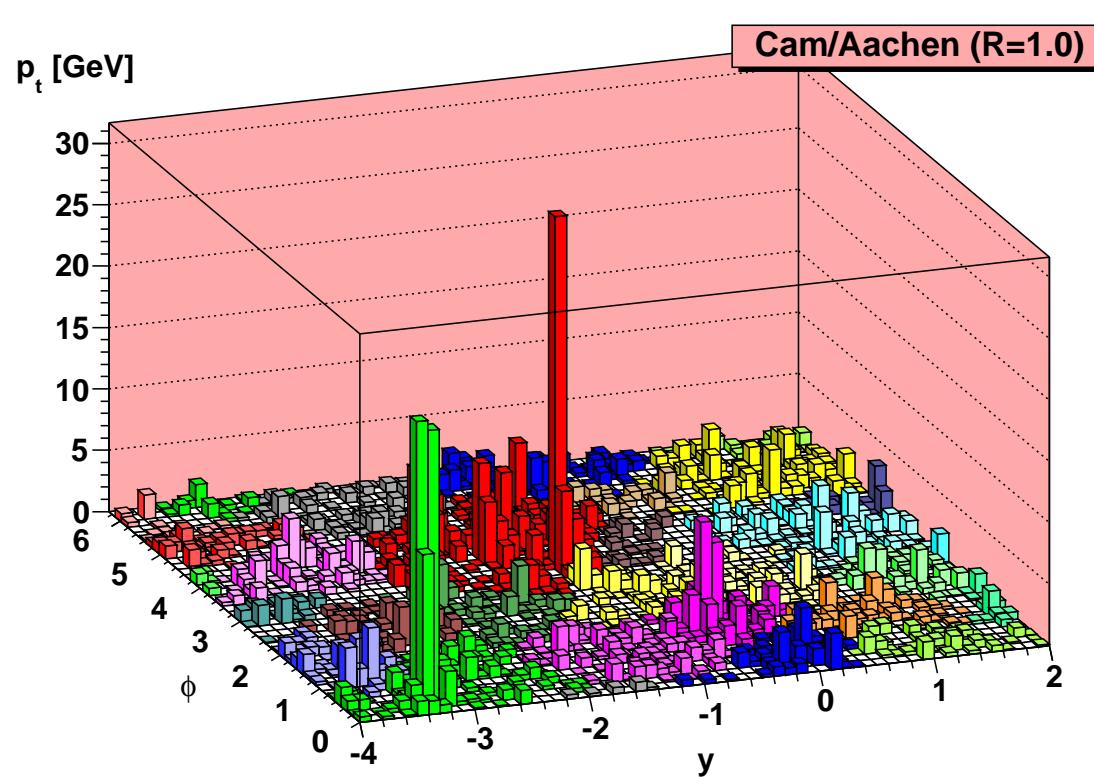
width = 17.7 GeV

- ✓ position reasonable
- ✓ dispersion reduced (thanks to the event-by-event approach)
- ✓ used by STAR for the first jet analysis in heavy-ions

Example 2: new generation of algorithms

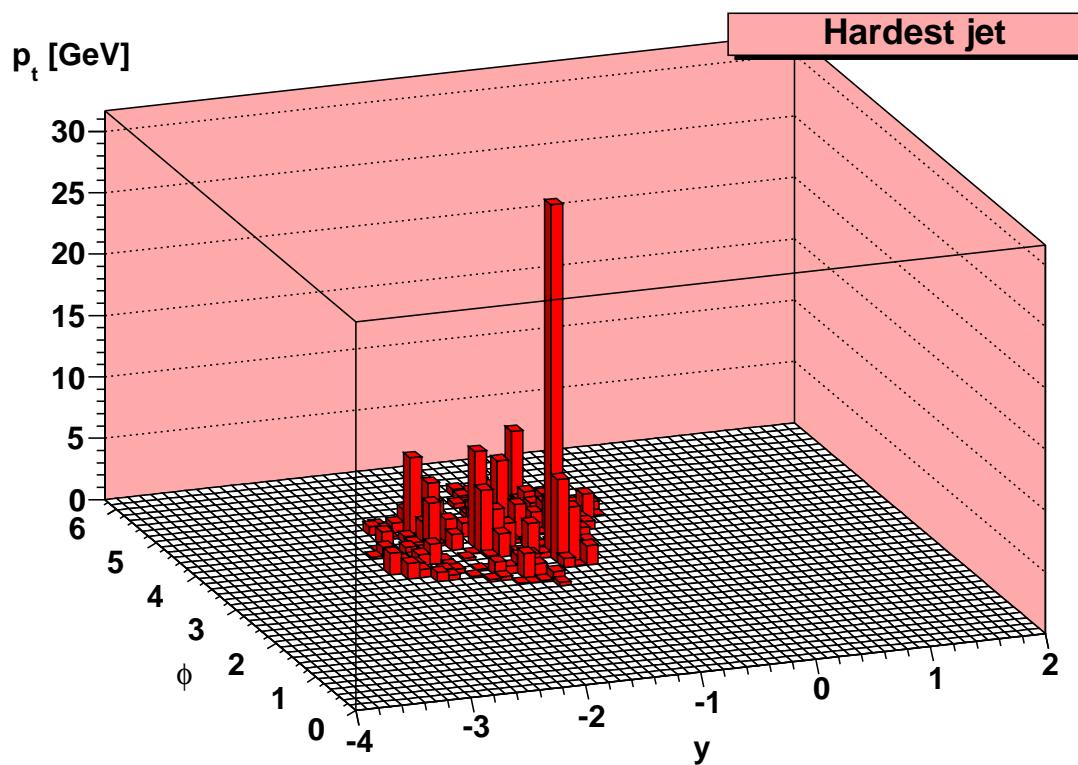
- Jet substructure
 - Filtering: reduce sensitivity to the UE
[J. Butterworth, A. Davison, M. Rubin, G. Salam, 08]
 - Boosted objects tagging: Higgs, top
[J. Butterworth, A. Davison, M. Rubin, G. Salam, 08]
[D. Kaplan, K. Rehermann, M. Schwartz, B. Tweedie, 08]
- Parameter optimisation
 - kinematical reconstruction:
optimal R larger for heavier objects, and for gluon (vs. quark) jets
[M. Cacciari, J. Rojo, G. Salam, G.S., 08]
 - Variable R
[D. Krohn, J. Thaler, L-T. Wang, 09]

Filtering



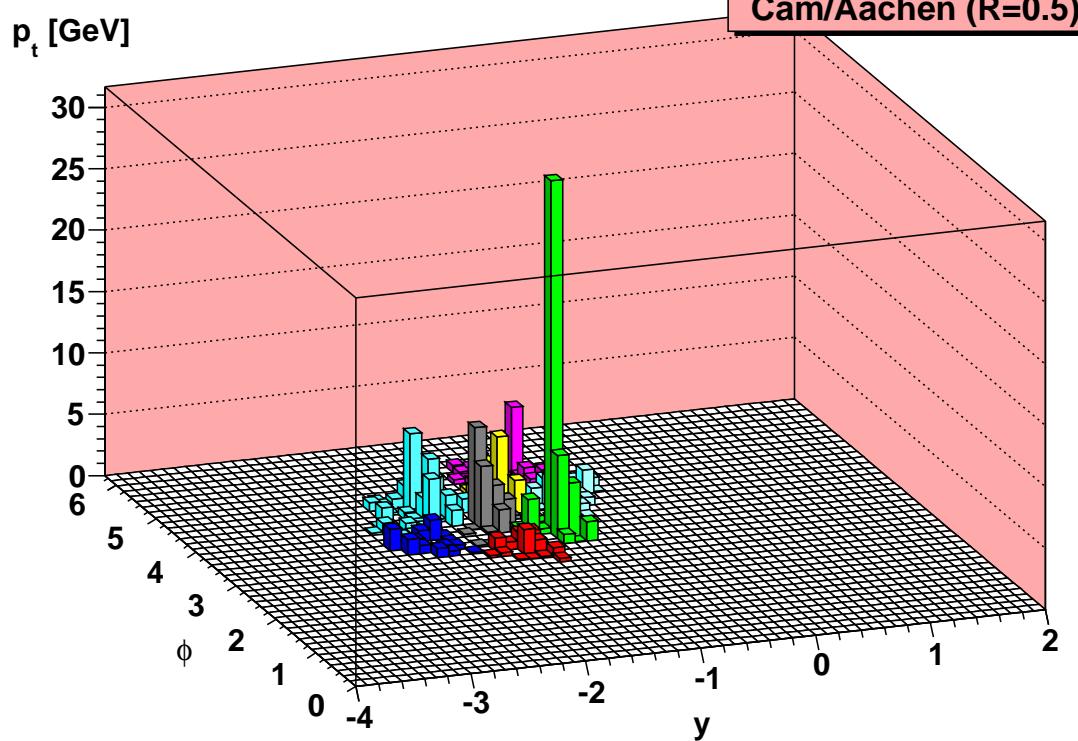
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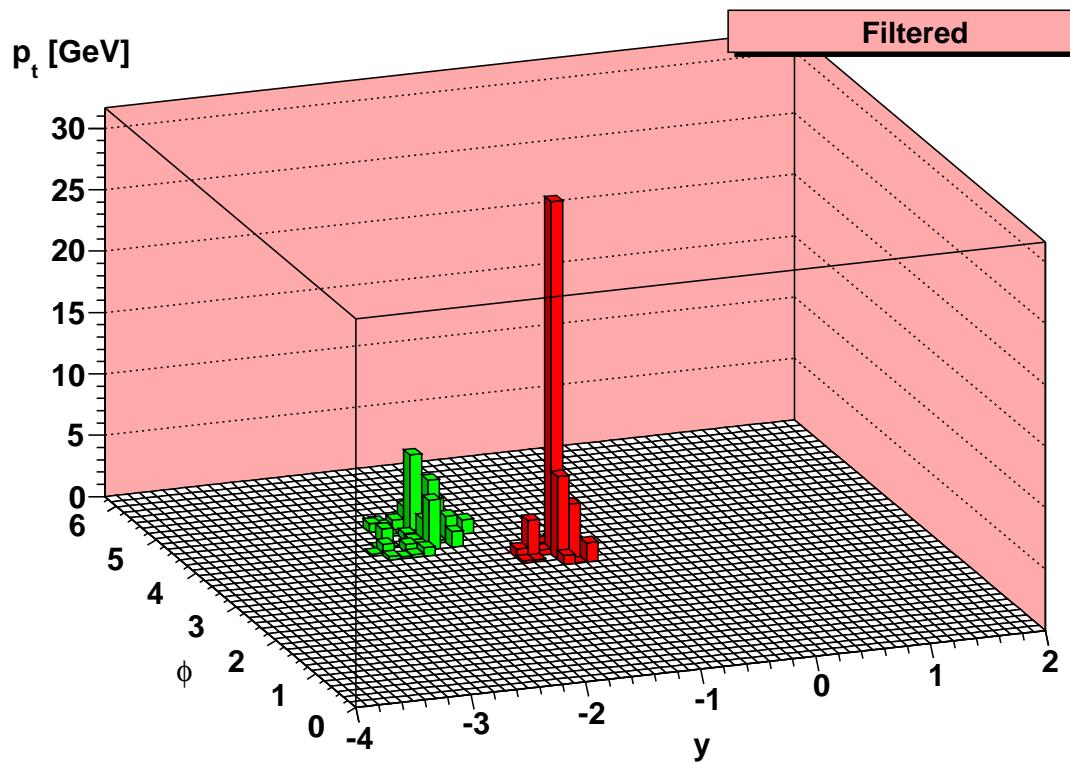
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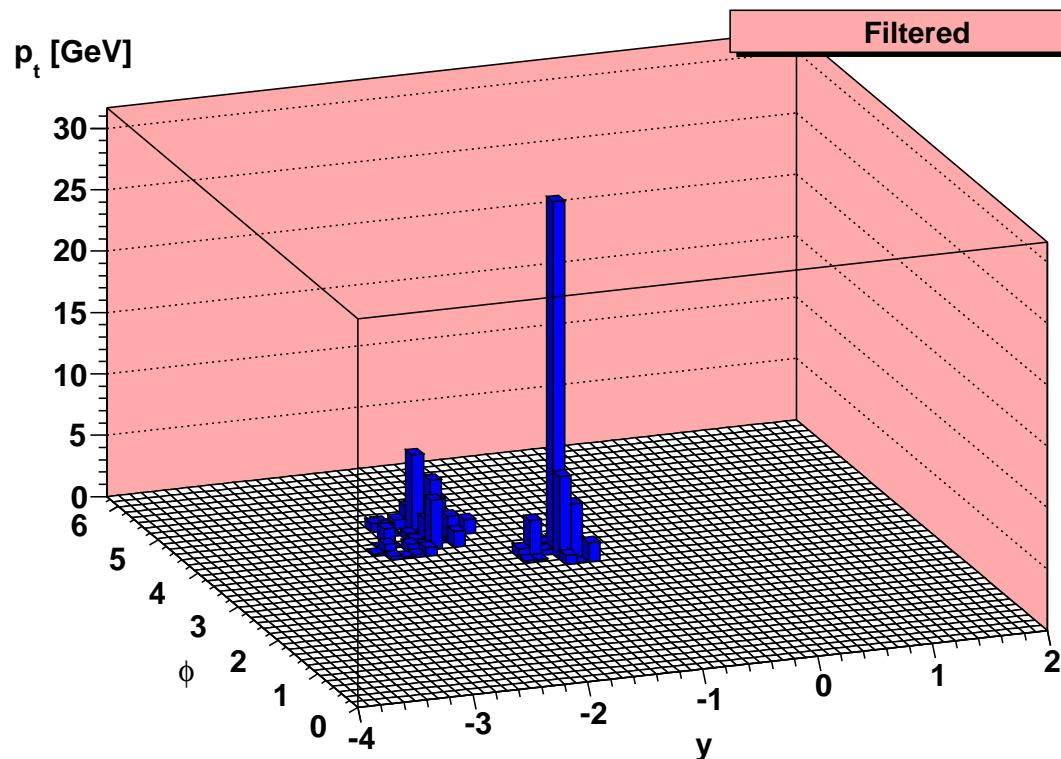
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Idea:

- ✓ keep perturb. radiation
- ✓ remove UE

- Proven useful for boosted jet $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ tagging

[J.Butterworth, A.Davison, M.Rubin, G.Salam, 08]

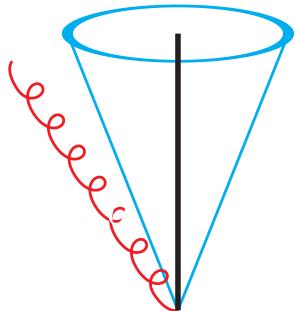
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Optimisation: underlying idea

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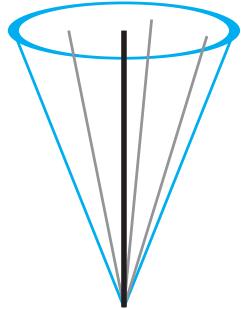
- catching perturbative radiation



Out-of-cone radiation:

$$\langle \delta p_t \rangle \propto - \int_R \frac{d\theta}{\theta} \sim - \log(1/R)$$

- not catching soft background radiation (underlying event)



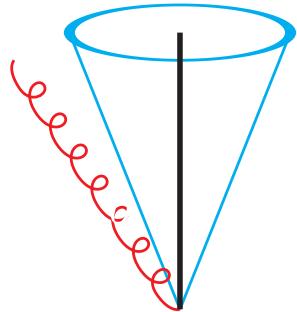
$$\langle \delta p_t \rangle \sim \text{Soft contents} \propto \text{jet area} \sim R^2$$

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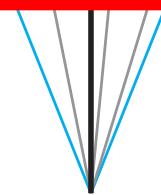
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- Study the width of the peak in dijet reconstructions
Search optimal definition (algo + $R!$) as a fct. of M



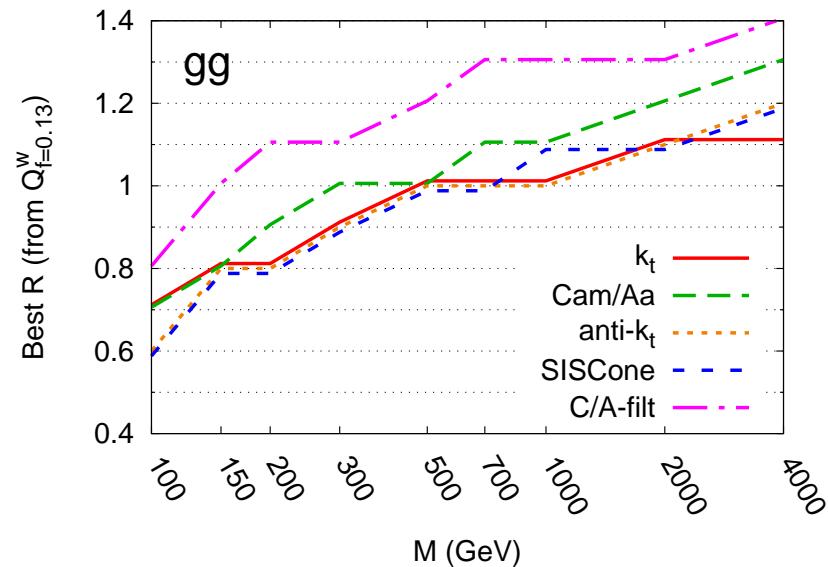
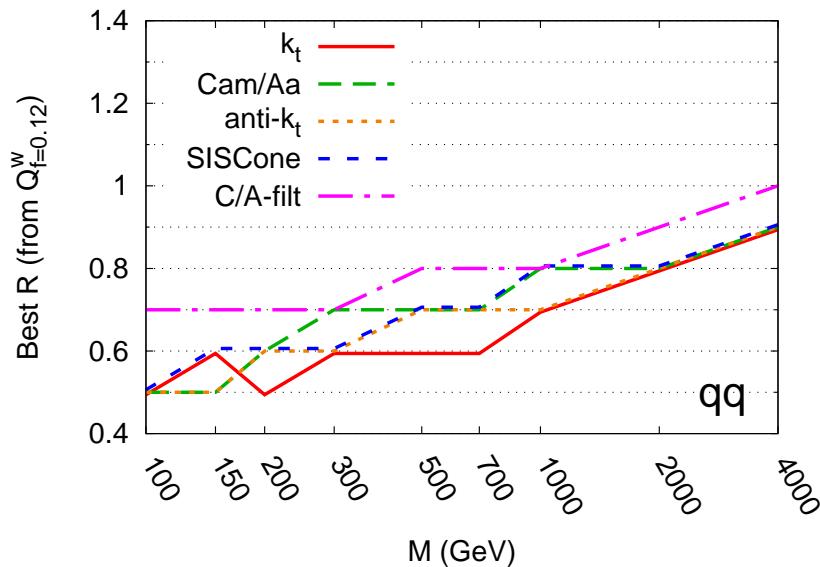
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Optimisation: results

[[M.Cacciari, J.Rojo, G.Salam, GS, 08]

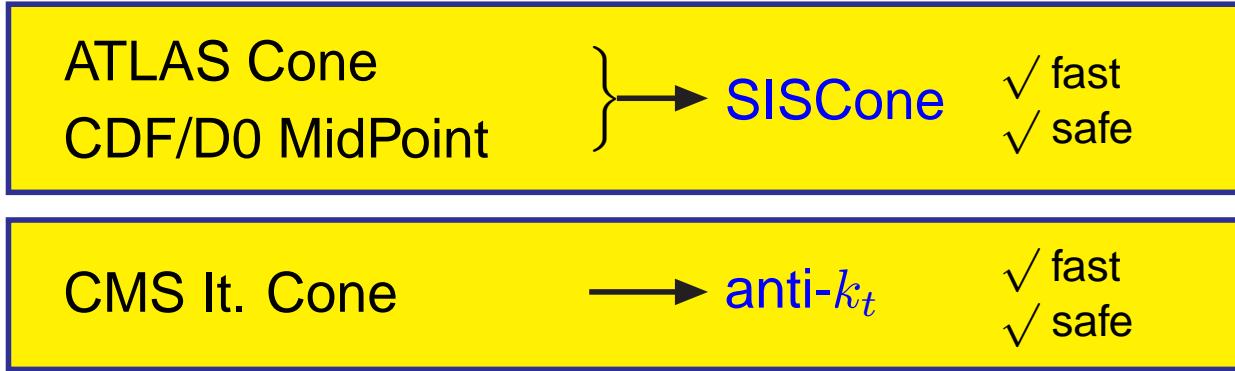
- SISCone and C/A+filt. do slightly better than k_t , C/A or anti- k_t
- $M \nearrow \Rightarrow R_{\text{best}} \nearrow$ (and $R_{\text{best}}(g) > R_{\text{best}}(q)$)



- Suggests flexibility in the algorithm choice at the LHC
Could cost a factor 2 in integrated lumi for discoveries

Conclusions

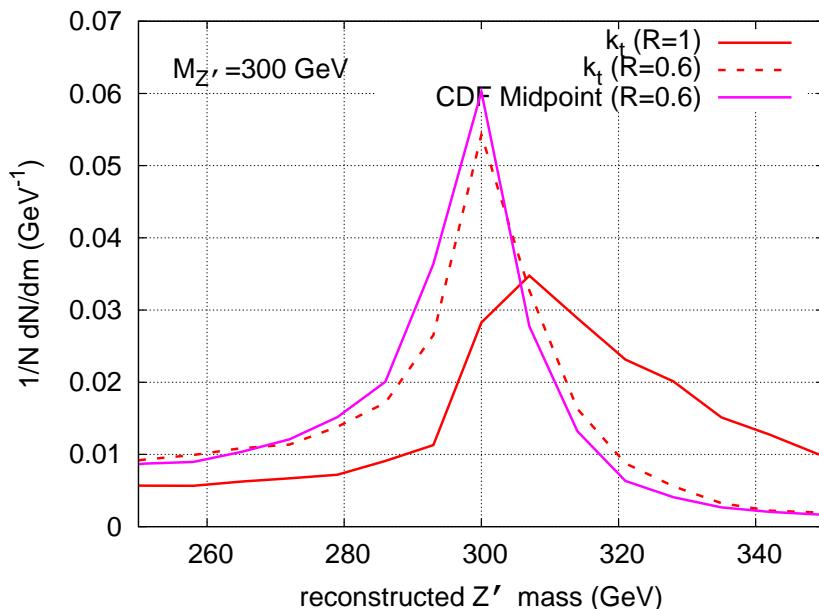
- Cone algorithm: use and infrared-and-collinear-safe one



- Background subtraction: use jet areas
 - properly defined, under analytic control
 - simple and generic subtraction method
- Future: new generation of algorithms
 - Solid set of algorithms \Rightarrow play to do a better job
 - use the *jet substructure*
 - optimise the parameters

Our example: safe jet definitions

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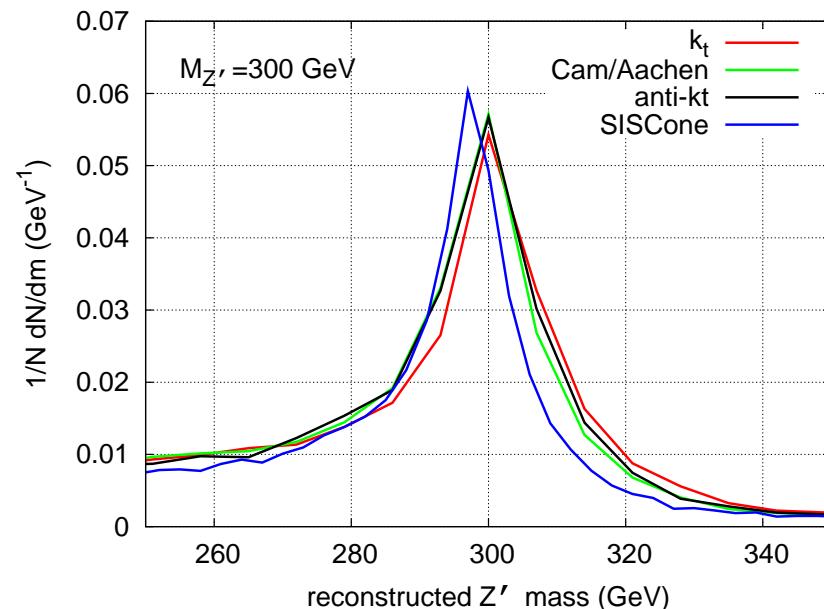


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For the width
SISCone slightly preferred

2009



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Jet areas

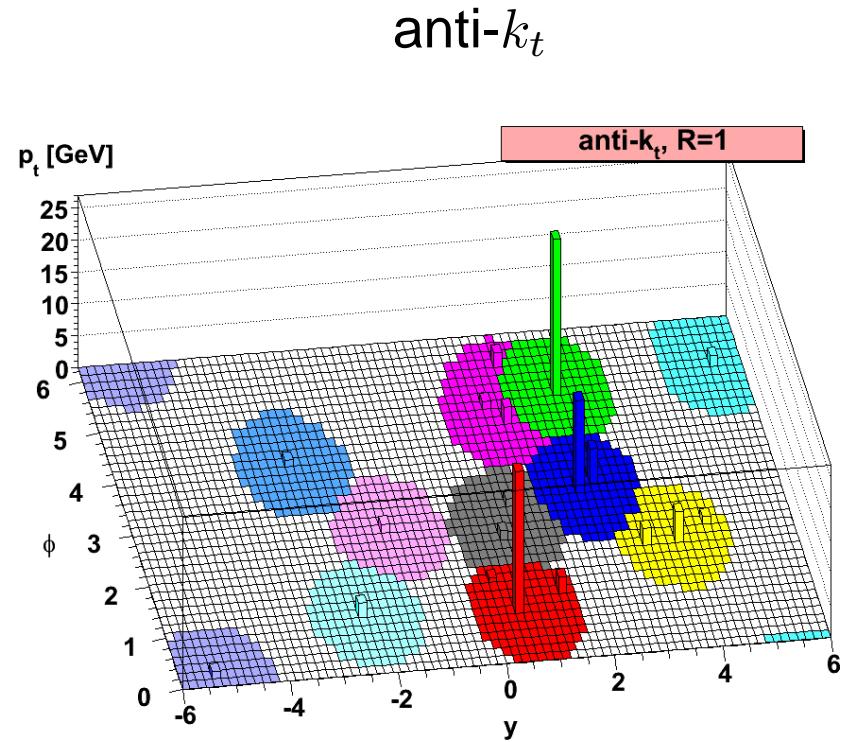
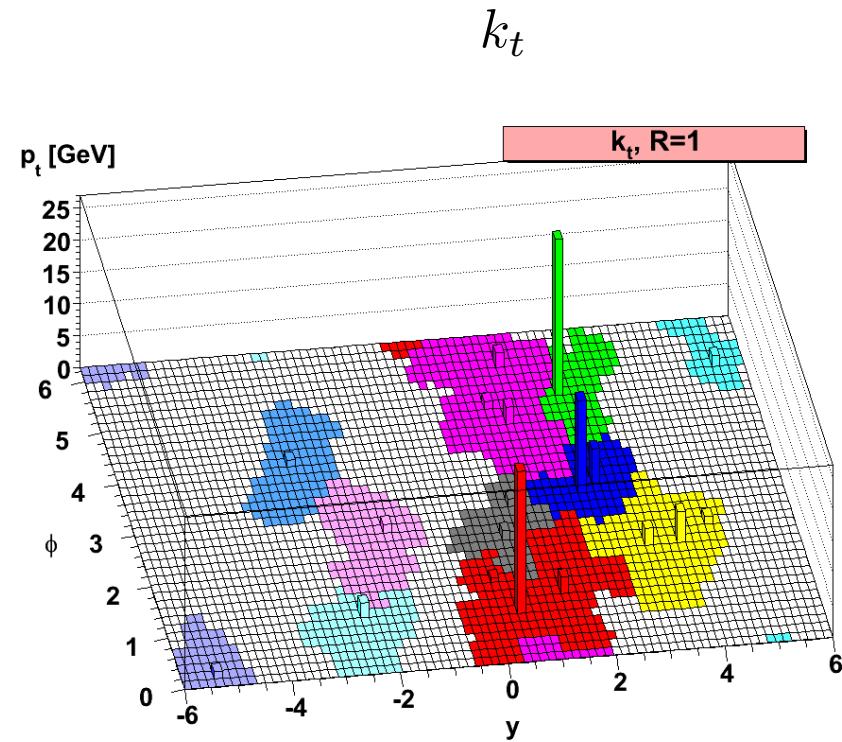
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Area \equiv region where the jet catches soft particles

- Recipe: add infinitely soft particles (aka ghosts) and see in which jet they are clustered
- 2 methods:
 - **Passive area**: add one ghost at a time and repeat many times
 - **Active area**: add a set of ghosts and cluster once
- Idea: ghost \approx background particle
 - \Rightarrow active area \approx uniform background
 - passive area \approx pointlike background
- Notes:
 - passive = active for large multiplicities
 - require an IR-safe algorithm!

Jet area: examples

Example: active area for a simple event



one ghost at every grid cell

Note: analytic control

Example: perturbative expansion of areas (at order α_s)

$$\langle \mathcal{A}(p_t, R) \rangle = \mathcal{A}_0 + \frac{C_{F,A}}{b_0 \pi} \pi R^2 d \log \left(\frac{\alpha_s(Q_0)}{\alpha_s(R p_t)} \right)$$

- area $\neq \pi R^2$, area $\neq \text{const.}$
- coefficients computable

	$\mathcal{A}_0 / (\pi R^2)$		d	
	passive	active	passive	active
k_t	1	0.81	0.56	0.52
Cam/Aachen	1	0.81	0.08	0.08
anti- k_t	1	1	0	0
SISCone	1	1/4	-0.06	0.12

- $Q_0 \equiv \text{IR regulator} \propto \text{background density}$