

# *Jet finding at the LHC era*

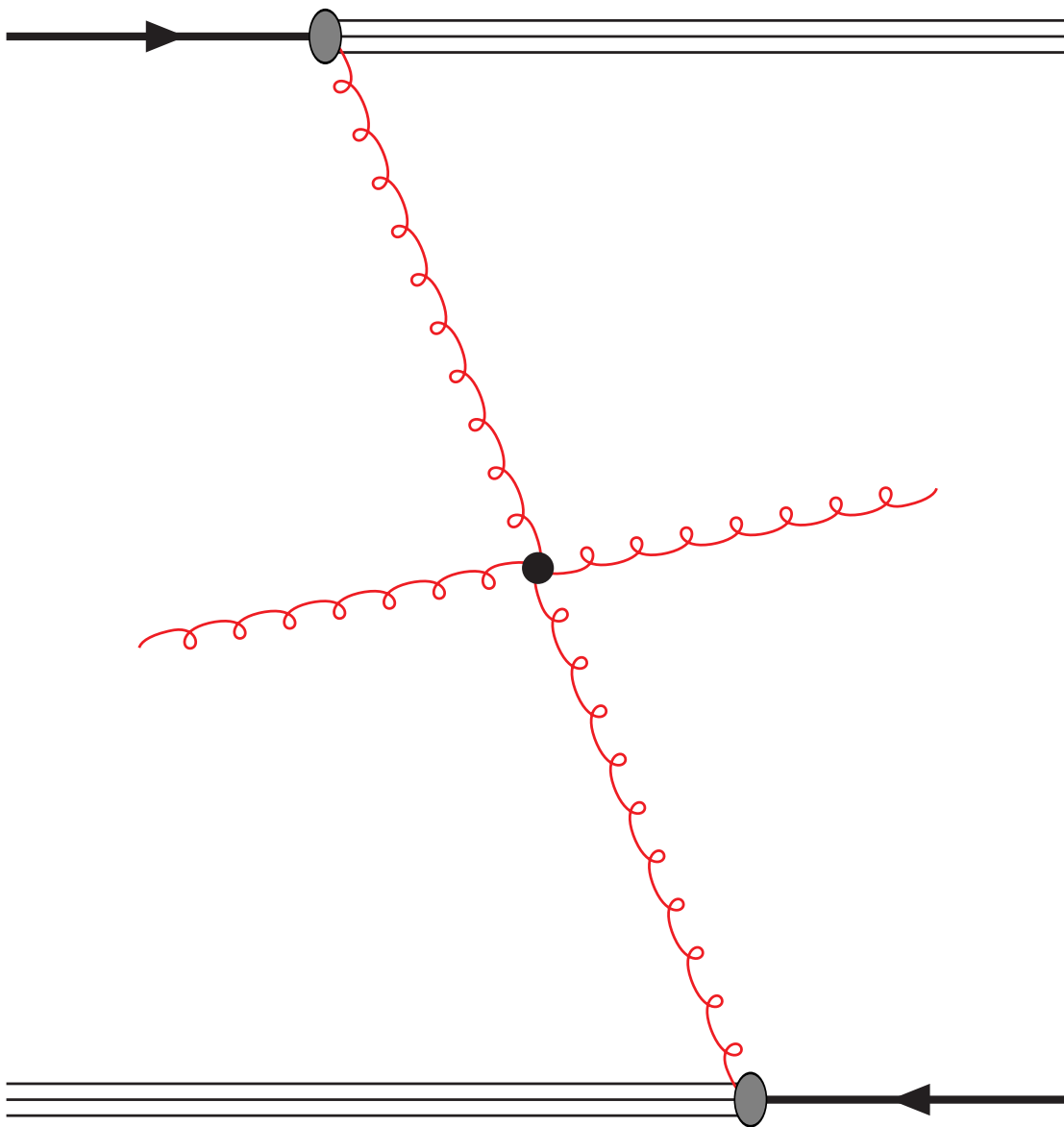
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arXiv:0803.0678 + works in preparation

- Foreword: why jets? what are they?  
introducing the basic concepts
- Part 1: recent progresses in building a solid toolkit  
jet definitions meeting the fundamental requirements
- Part 2: jets in  $pp$  collisions
  - **Choosing the adapted jet definition**  
which jet algorithm is best suited?
  - **Subtracting pileup background using jet areas**
    - defining areas
    - analytic control
    - using them for pileup subtraction

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computed exactly at  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^p)$

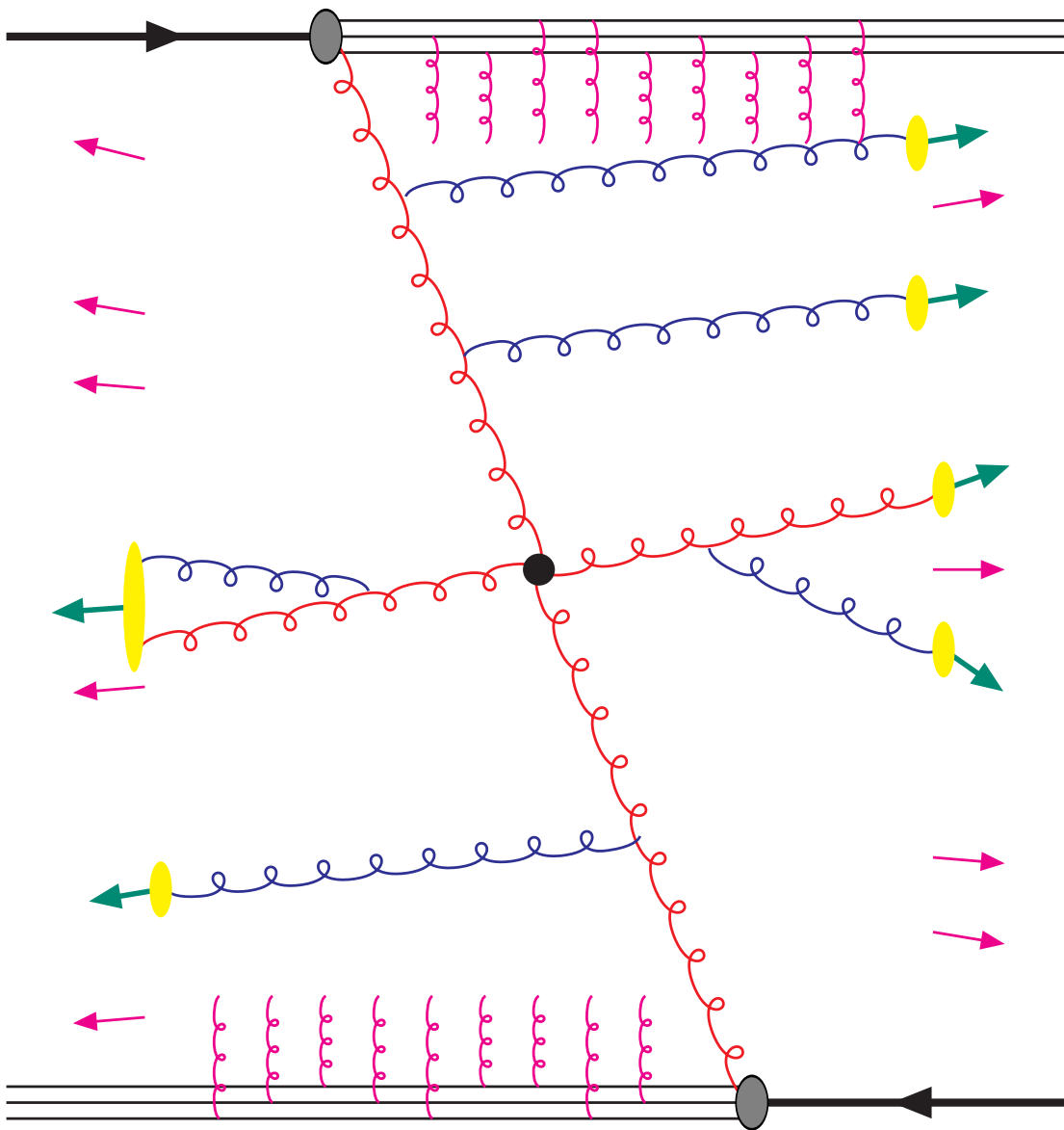
$$gg \rightarrow gg, gg \rightarrow ggg,$$

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$$gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow b\bar{b},$$

$$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow \mu\nu_\mu b\bar{b}q\bar{q},$$

$$gg \rightarrow Z' \rightarrow q\bar{q}, \dots$$



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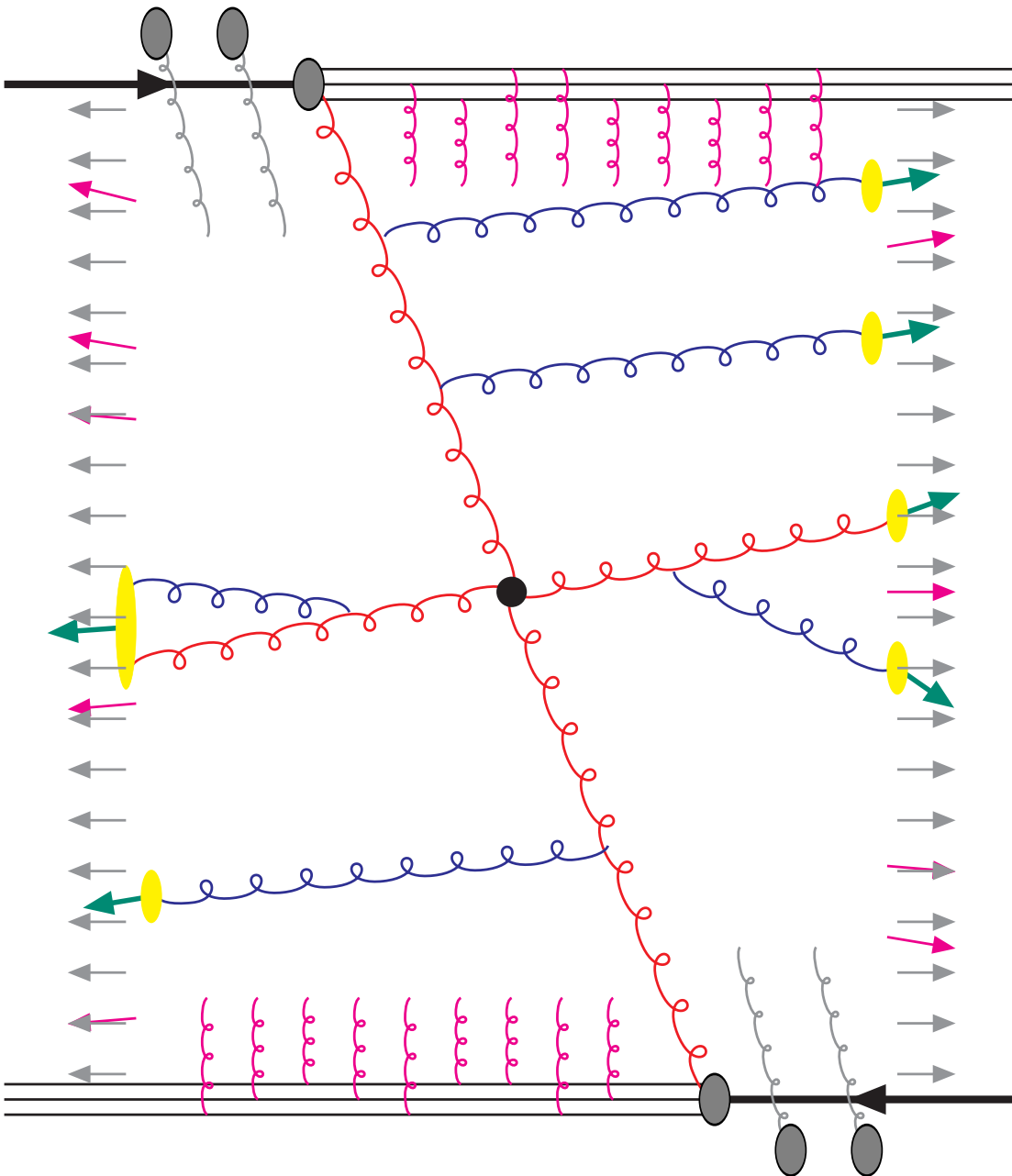
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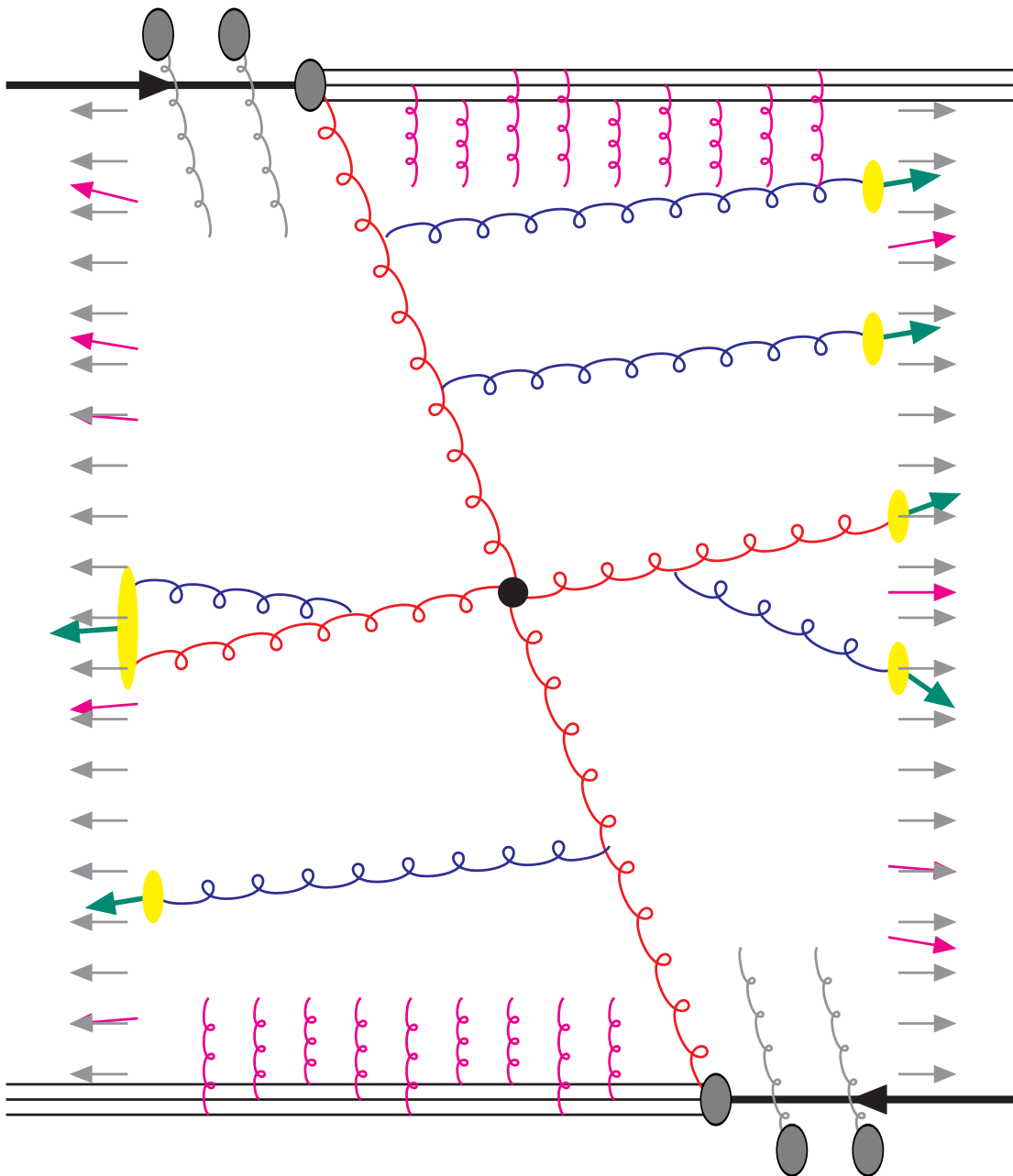
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“Jets”  $\equiv$  hard partons

Parton ambiguous

$\Rightarrow$  multiple jet definitions

Class 1: recombination	Class 2: cone
Successive recombinations of the “closest” <sup>(a)</sup> pair of particle	find directions of energy flow ≡ stable cones <sup>(b)</sup>
Nice perturbative behaviour	Small sensitivity to soft radiation (UE,PU)
Often used in $e^\pm e^\pm, e^\pm p$	Often used in $pp$

(a) Distance: (stop when  $d_{\min} > R$ )

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

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(b) stable cones (radius  $R$ ) such that:

the total momentum of its contents points in the direction of its centre



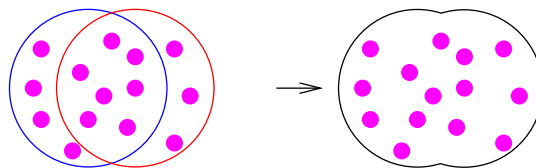
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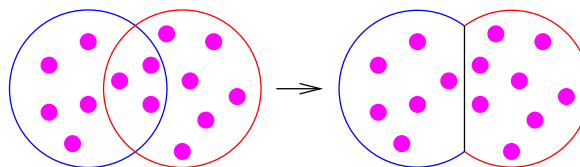
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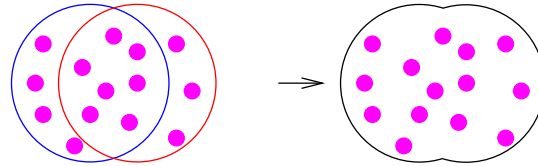


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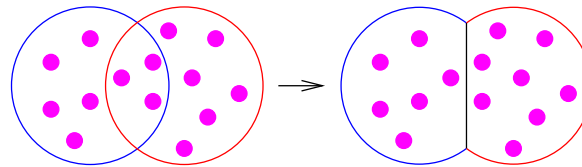
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Class 2(b): cone with progressive removal (ex.: Iterative Cone)

- iterate from the hardest seed
- remove the stable cone as a jet and start again

Idea: “regular/circular” jets

## Recombination:

- $k_t$  algorithm
- Cambridge/Aachen alg.

## Cone:

- CDF JetClu
- CDF MidPoint
- D0 (run II) Cone
- PxCone
- ATLAS Cone
- CMS Iterative Cone
- PyCell/CellJet
- GetJet

***Part 1***  
***21st century: towards a solid toolkit***

SNOWMASS accords, Tevatron 1990 (i.e. old!):

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

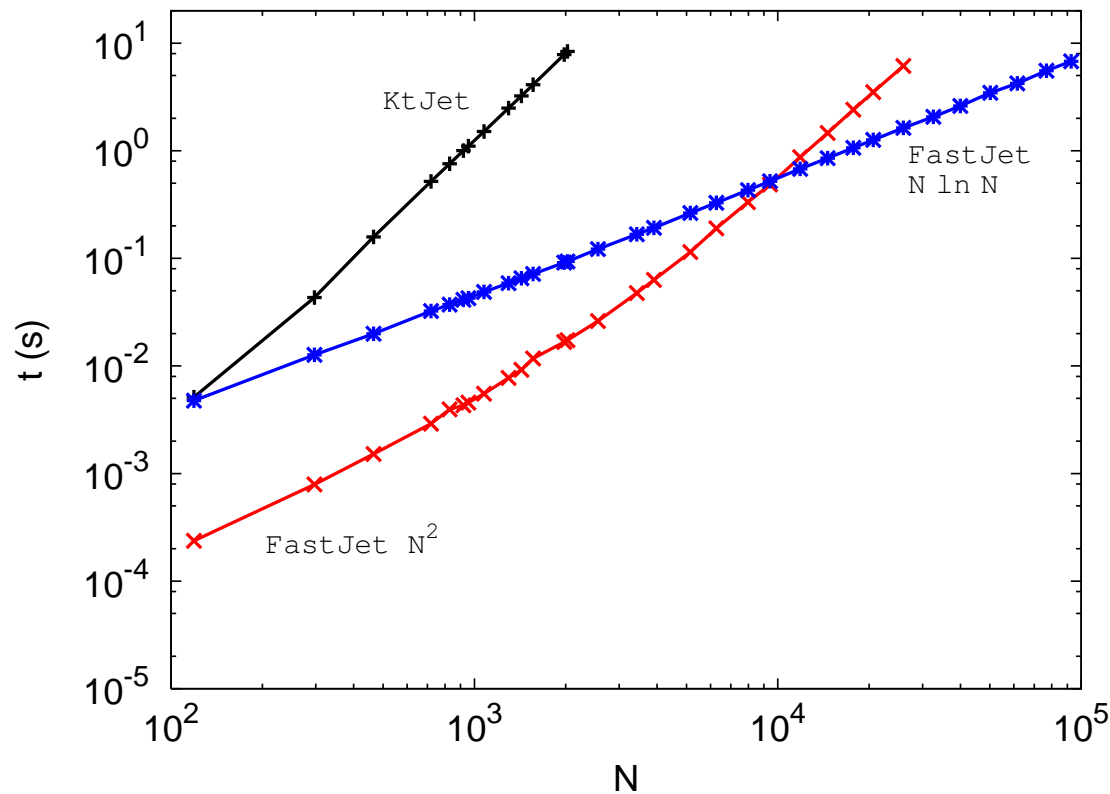
1. Simple to implement in an experimental analysis;
2. Simple to implement in the theoretical calculation;
3. Defined at any order of perturbation theory;
4. Yields finite cross section at any order of perturbation theory;
5. Yields a cross section that is relatively insensitive to hadronization.

i.e. usable by theoreticians (e.g. finite perturbative results)  
and experimentalists (e.g. fast enough, not much UE sensitivity)

[M. Cacciari, G. Salam, 06]

## Speeding up the $k_t$ and Cam/Aachen algorithms

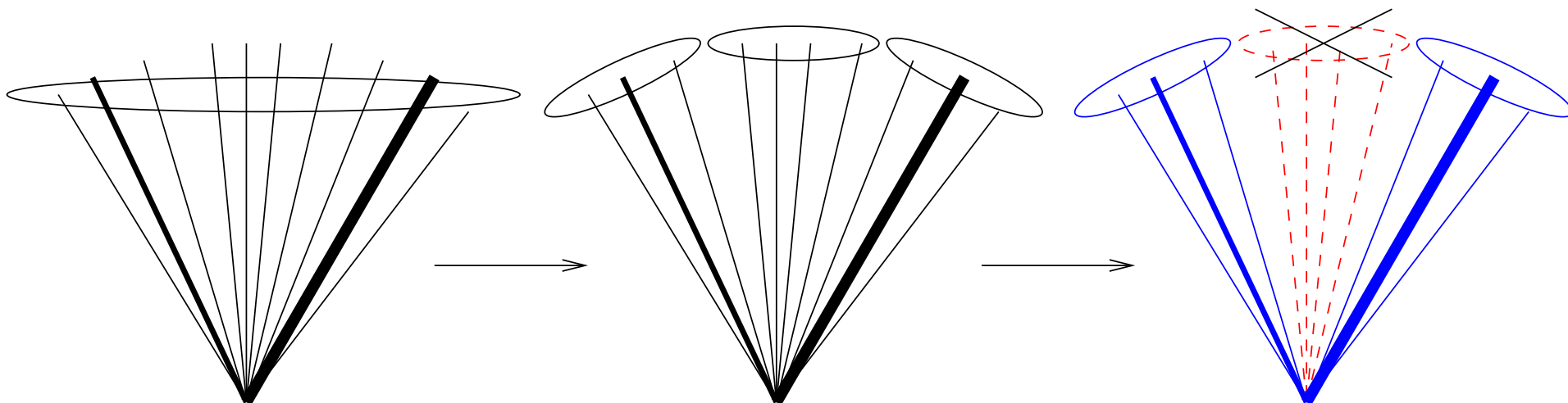
- using computational-geometry techniques:  $\mathcal{O}(N^3) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(N \log N)$
- C++ implementation in FastJet



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Aim: remove the soft background

Properties:

- Proven to improve jet reconstruction, in  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$   
[J.Butterworth, A.Davison, M.Rubin, G.Salam, 08]
- Additional parameters that deserve appropriate studies
- We will use the simplest choice:  $R_{\text{sub}} = R/2, n_{\text{sub}} = 2$

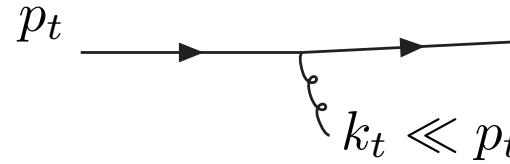
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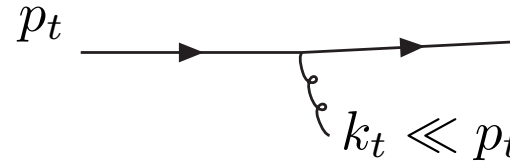
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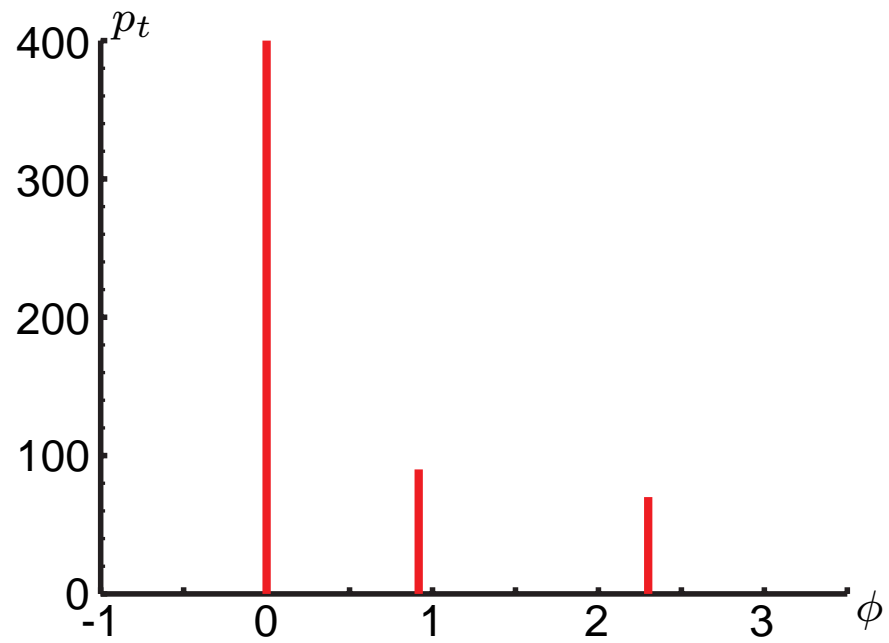
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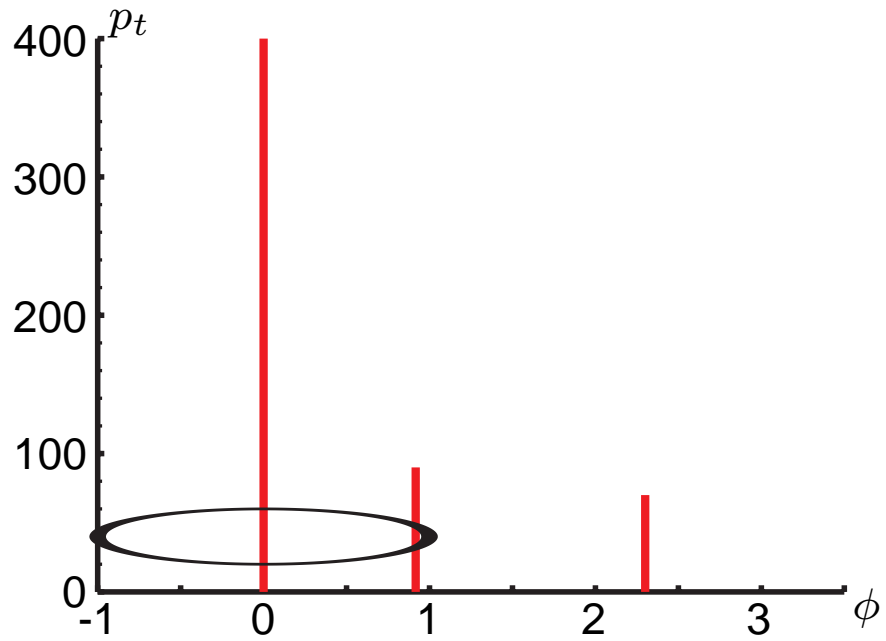


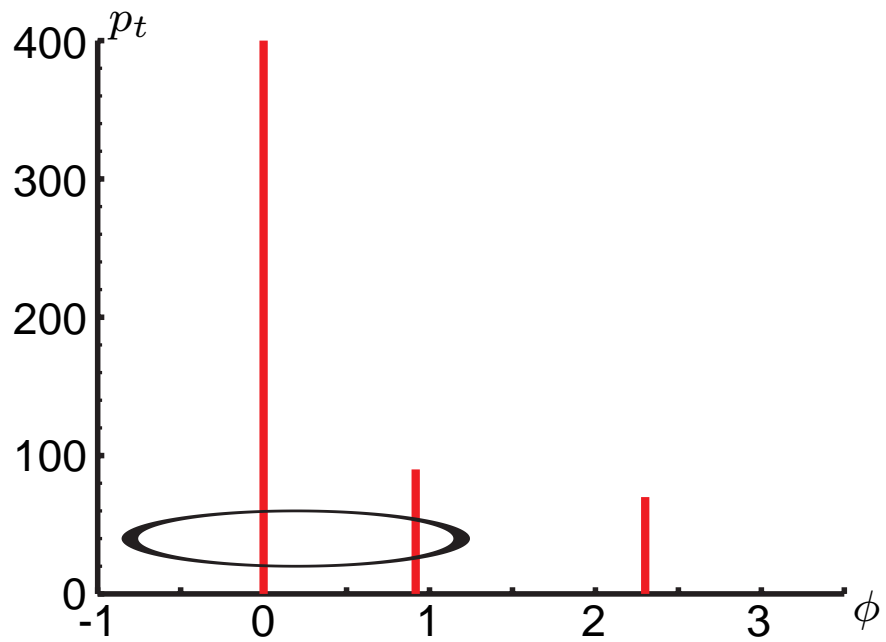
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For pQCD to make sense, the (hard) jets should not change when

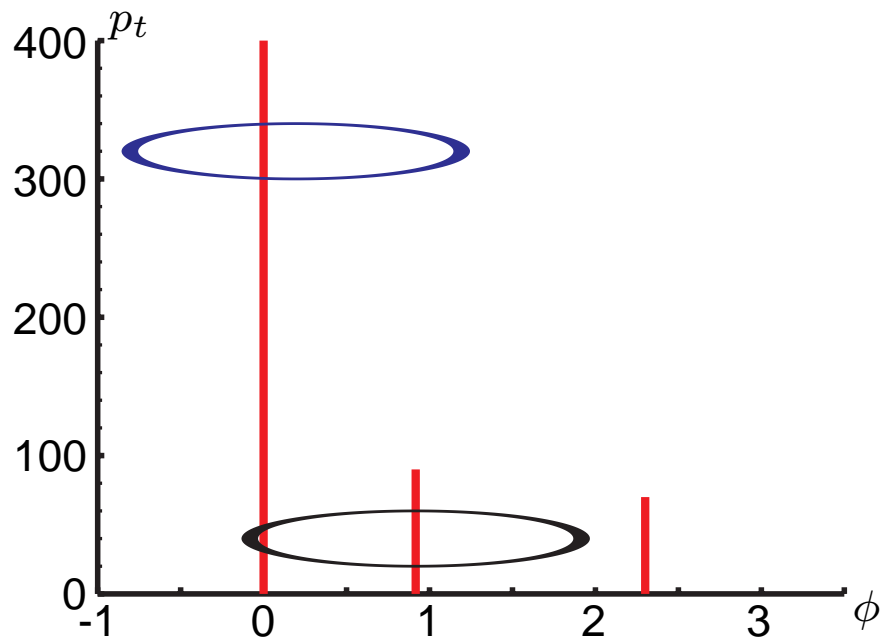
- one has a collinear splitting  
*i.e.* replaces one parton by two at the same place  $(\eta, \phi)$
- one has a soft emission *i.e.* adds a very soft gluon

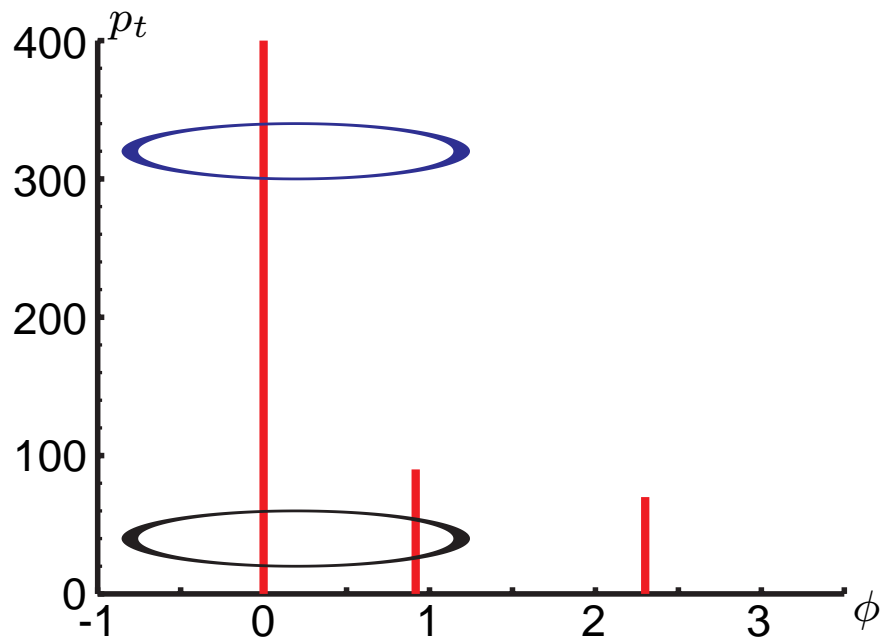




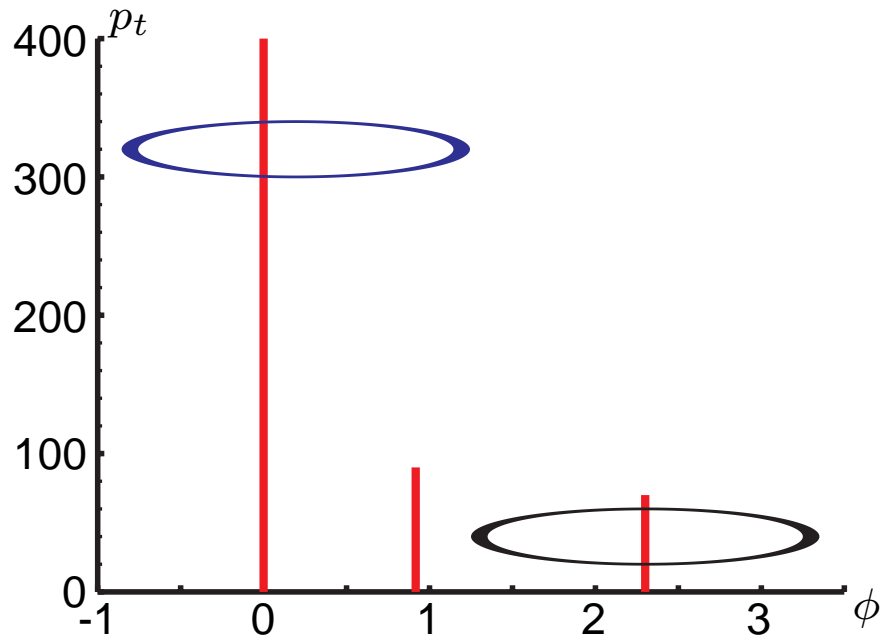


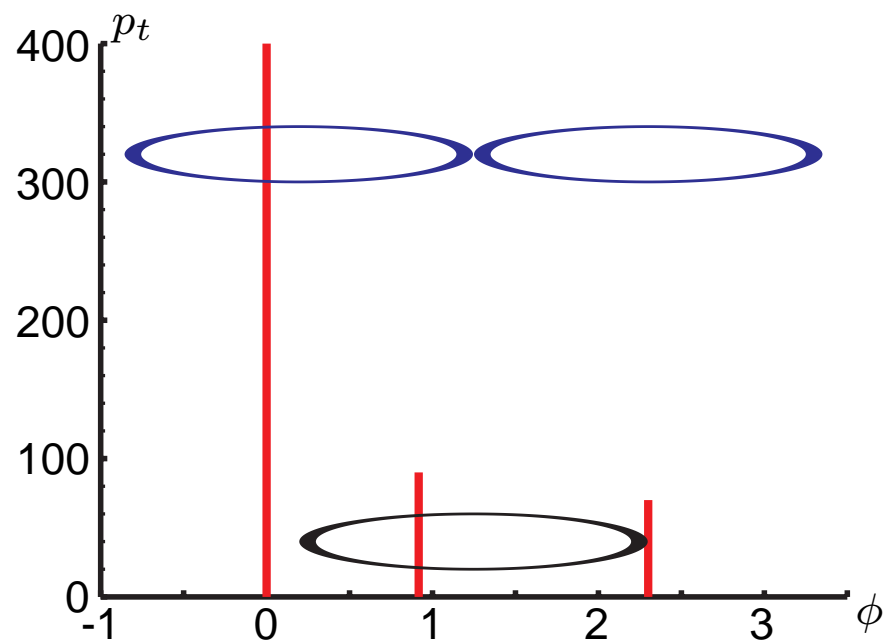
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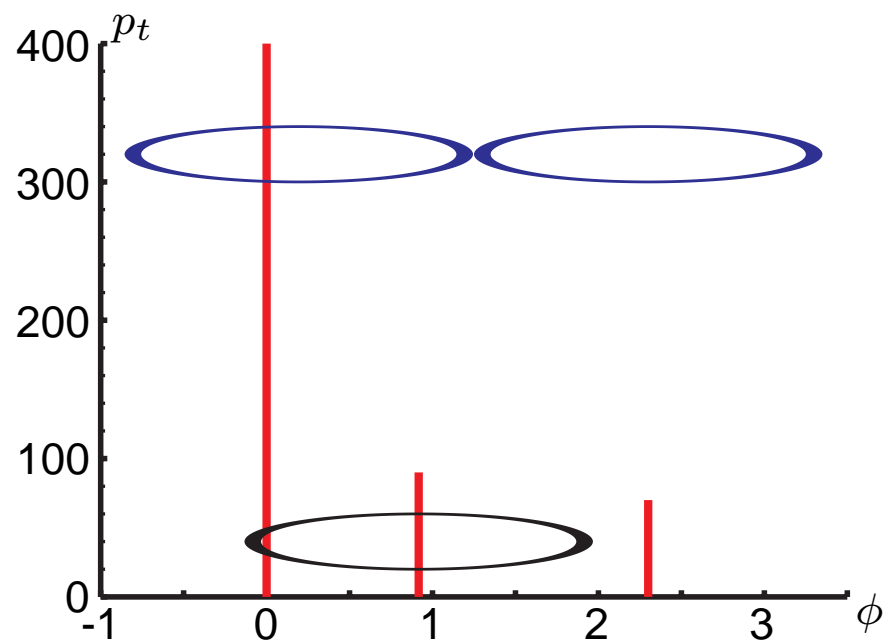




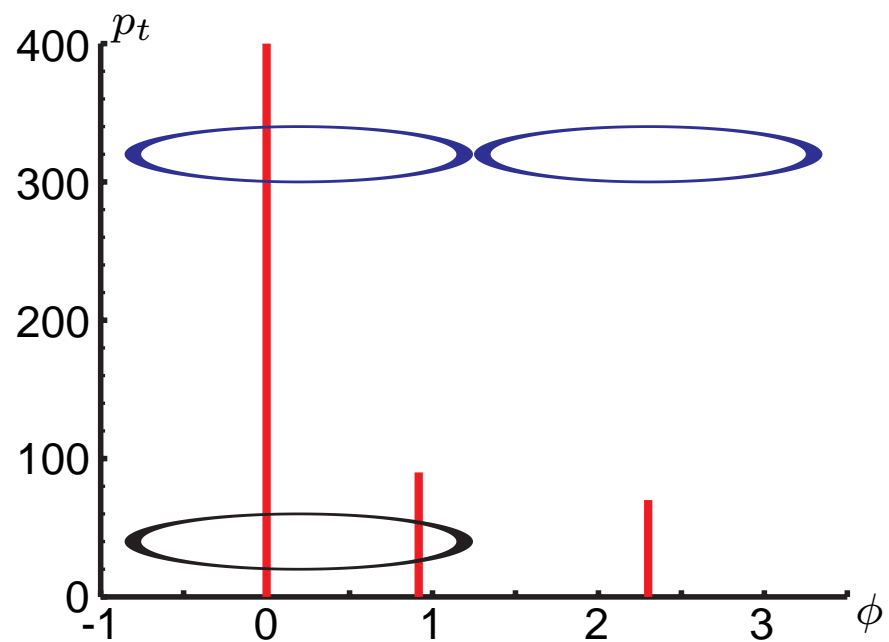




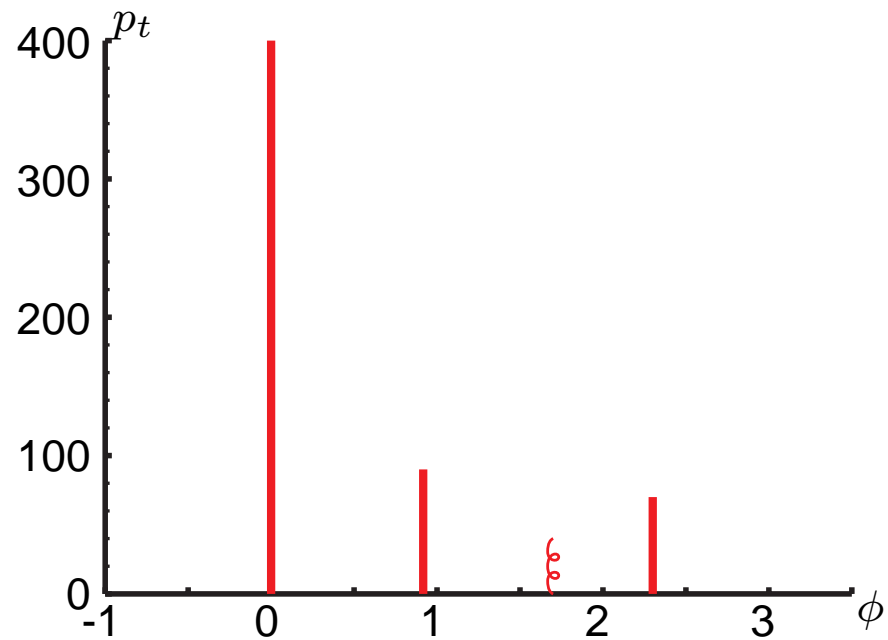
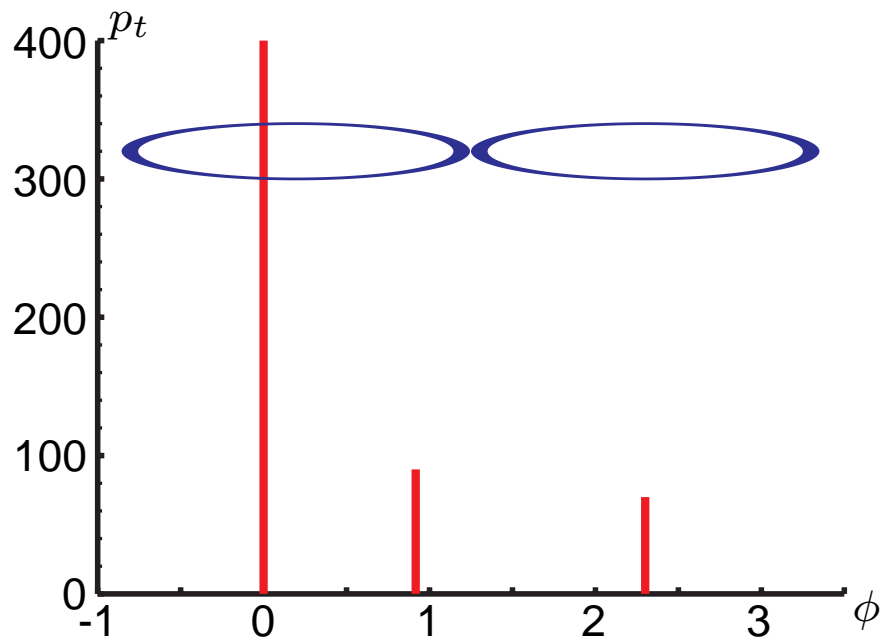




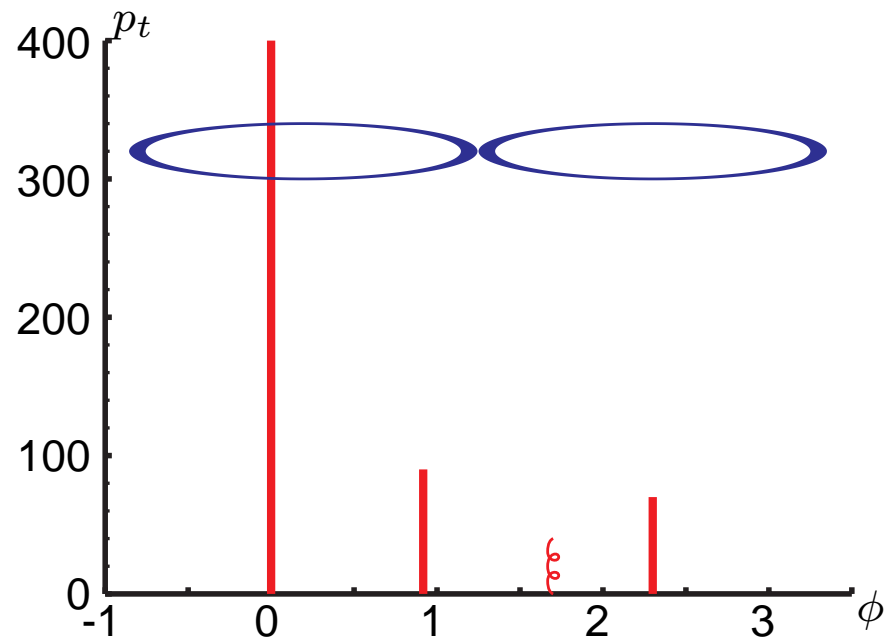
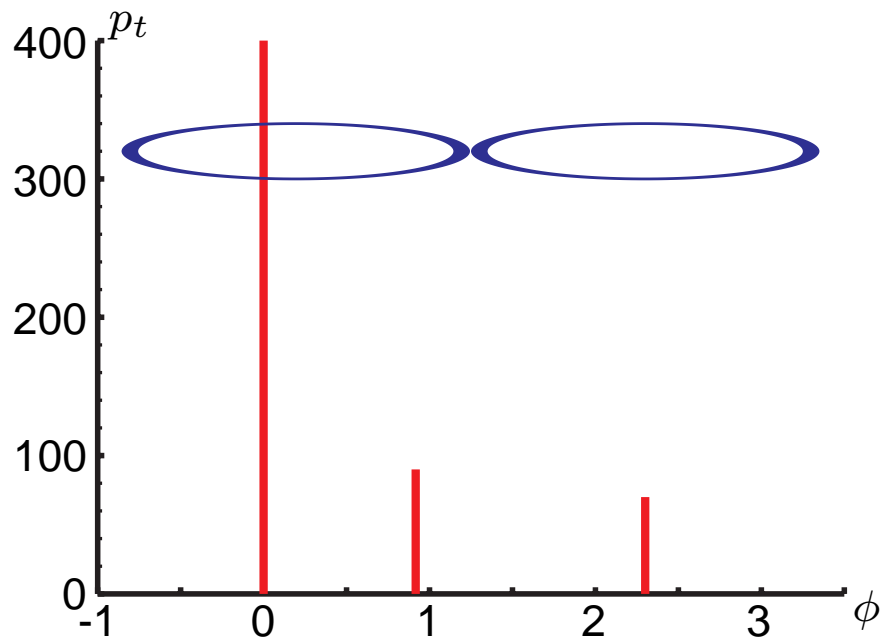
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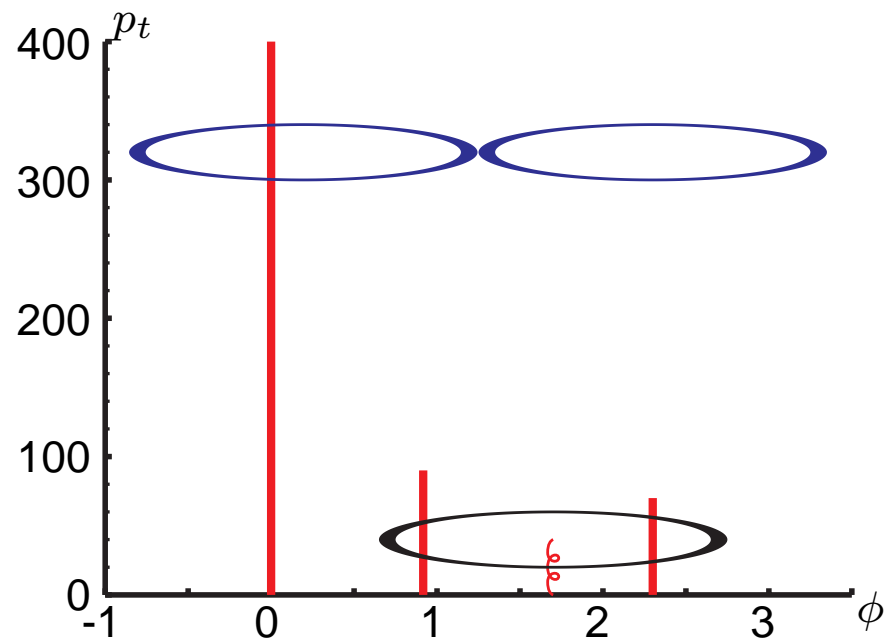
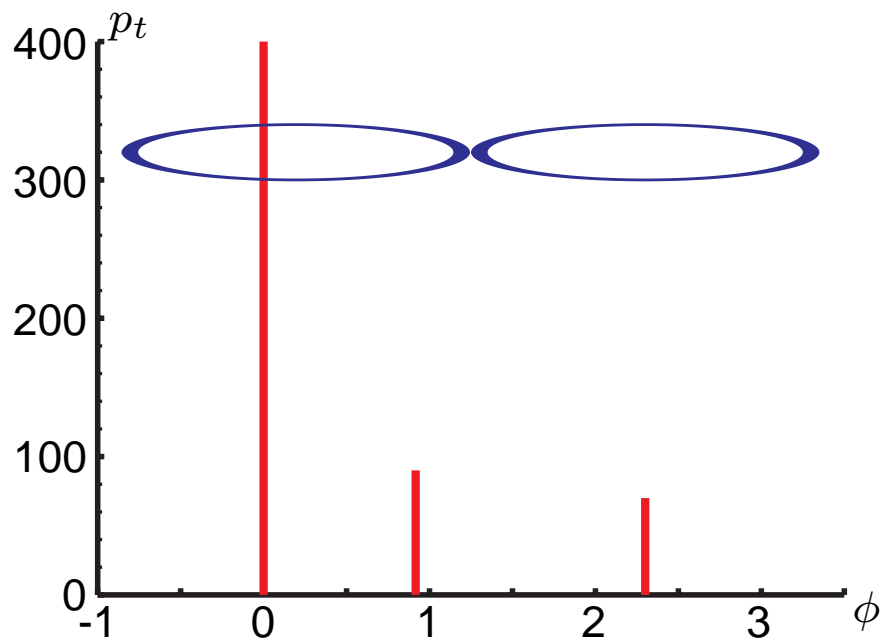
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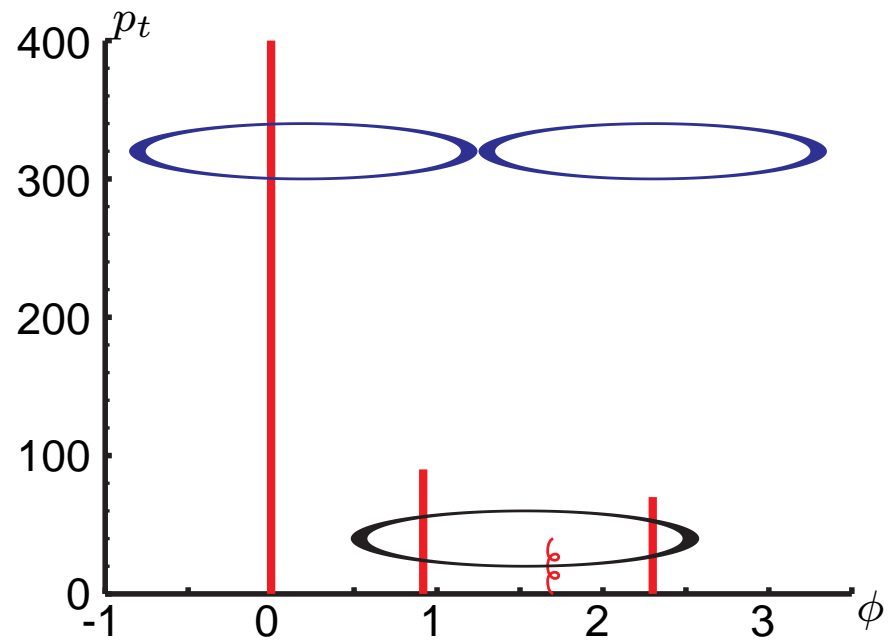
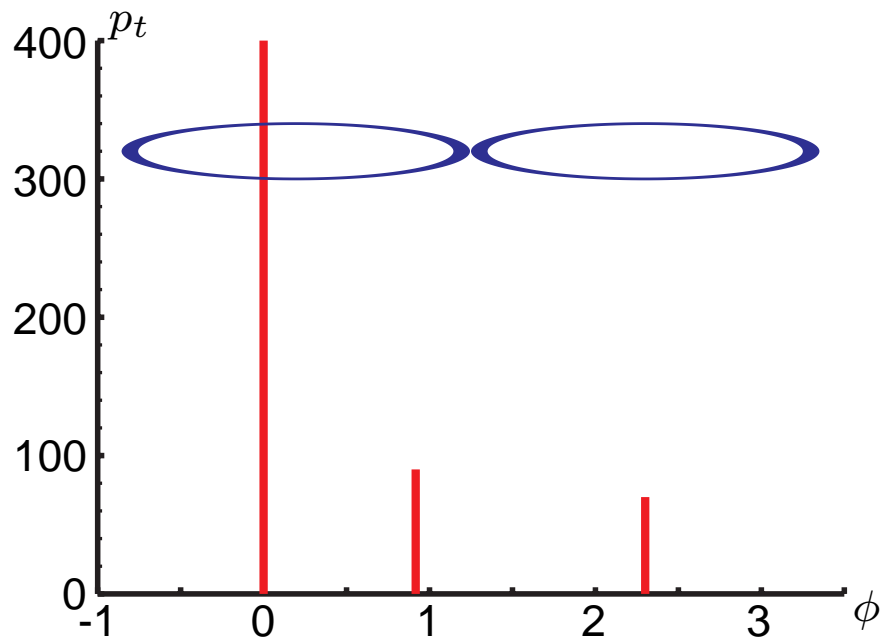
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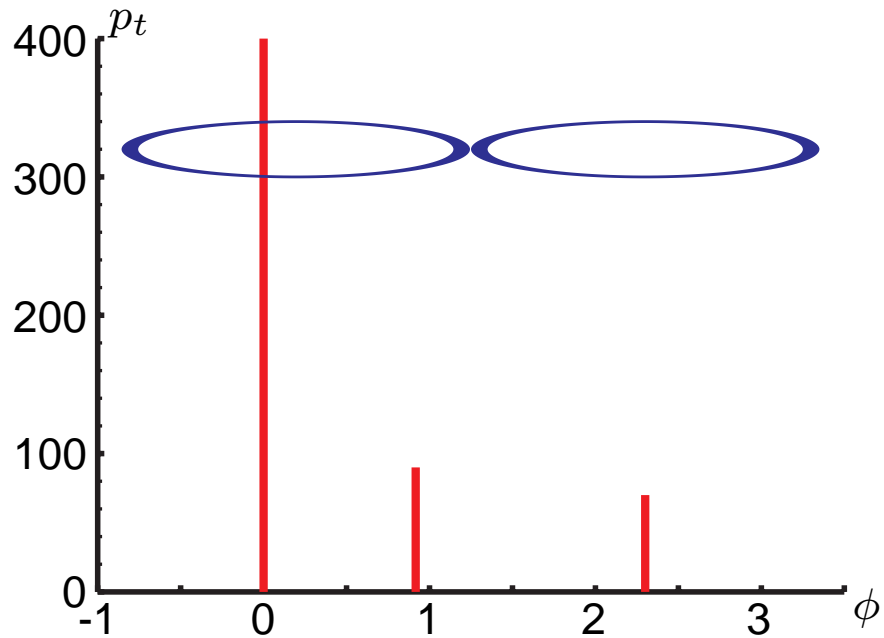
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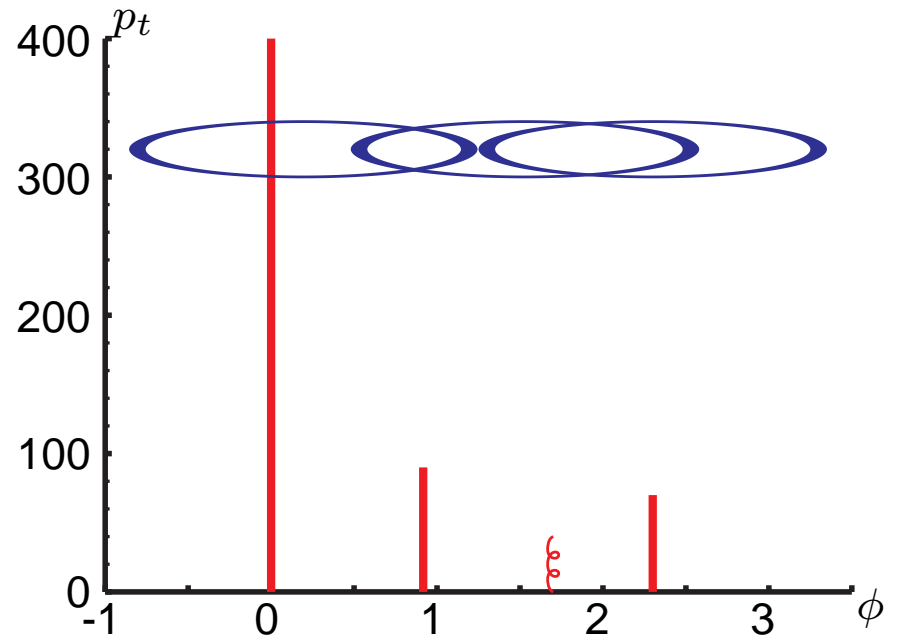




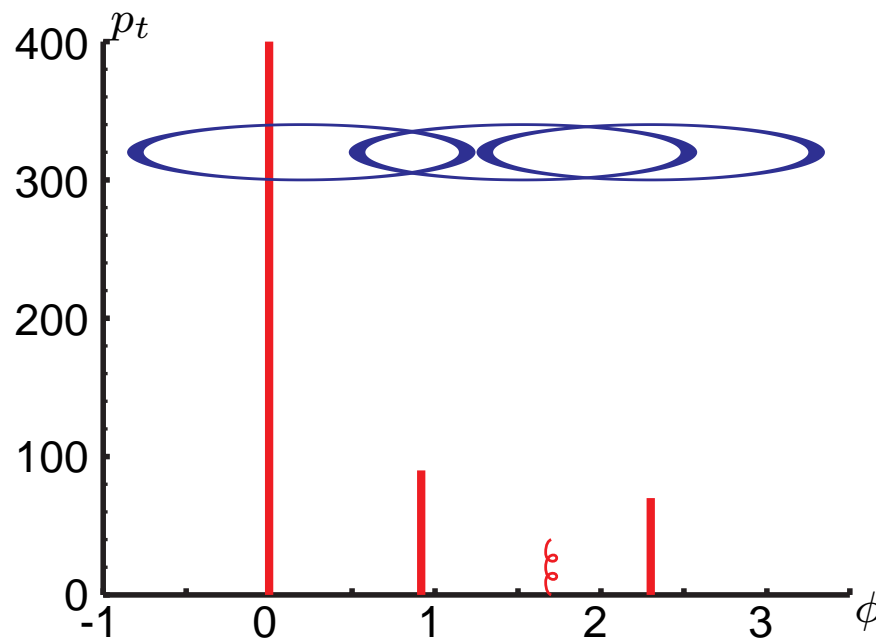
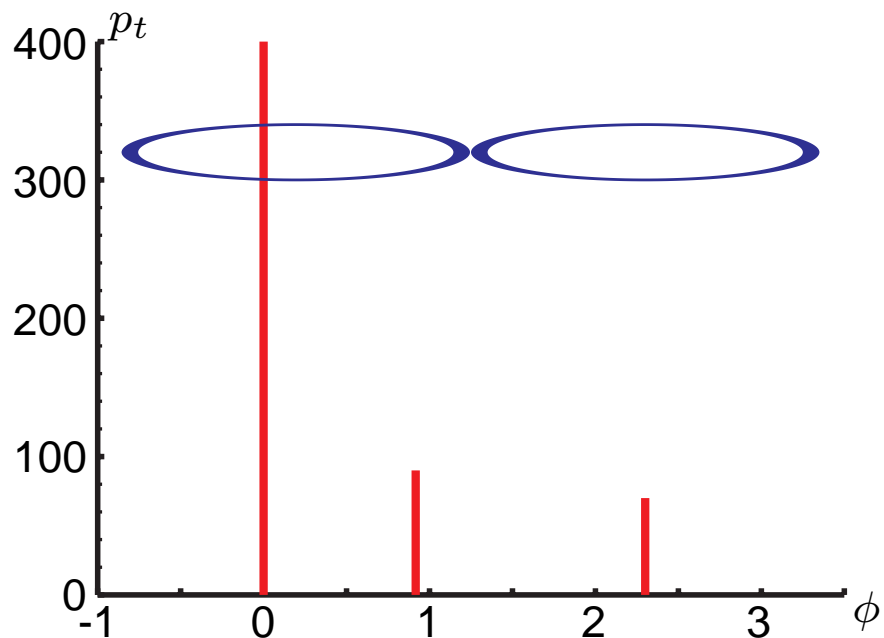


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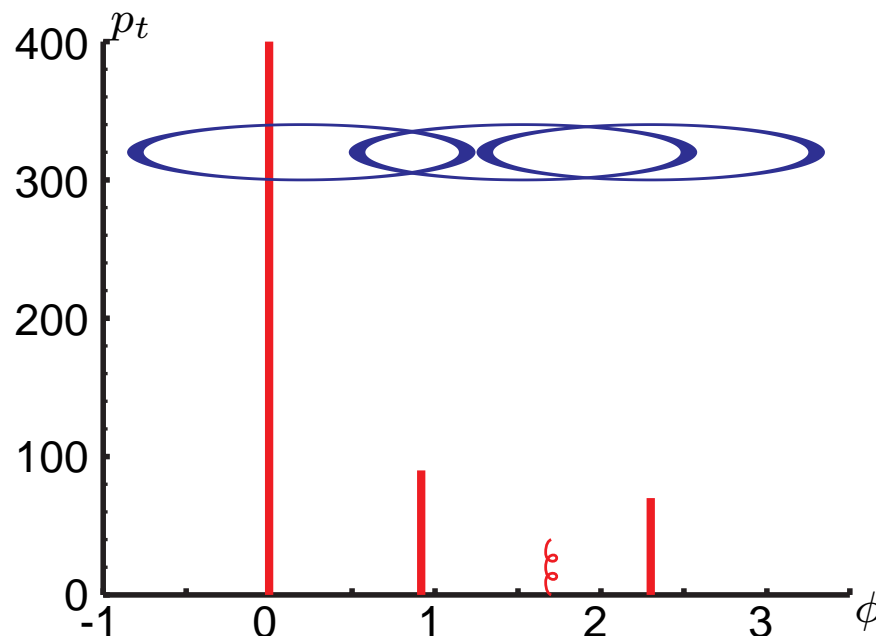
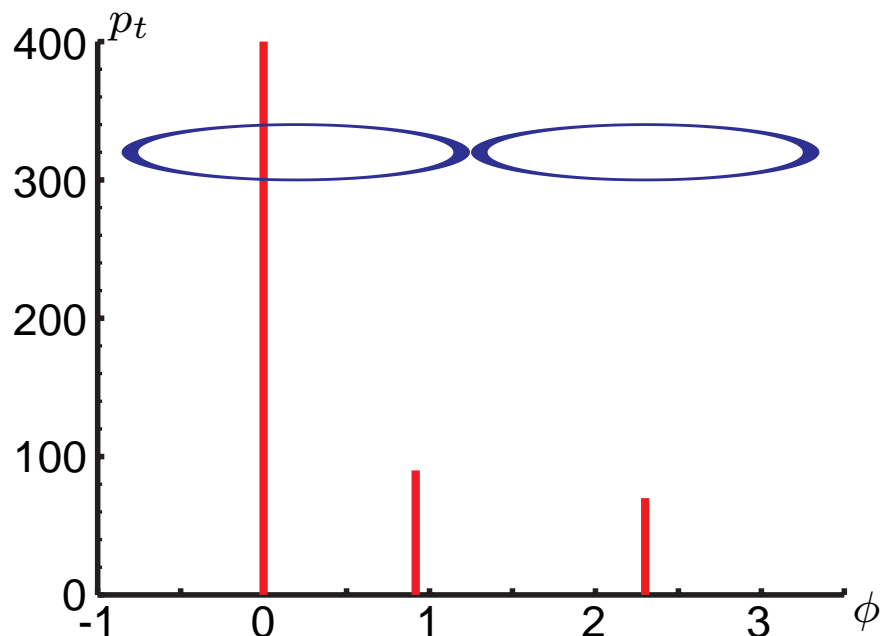
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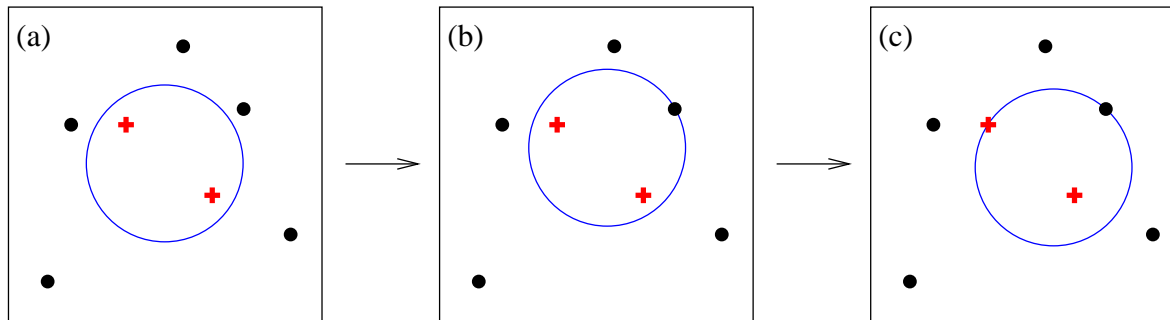
**Stable cone missed → IR unsafety of the midpoint algorithm**

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- Each enclosure can be moved (in any direction) until it touches a point
- ... then rotated until it touches a second one

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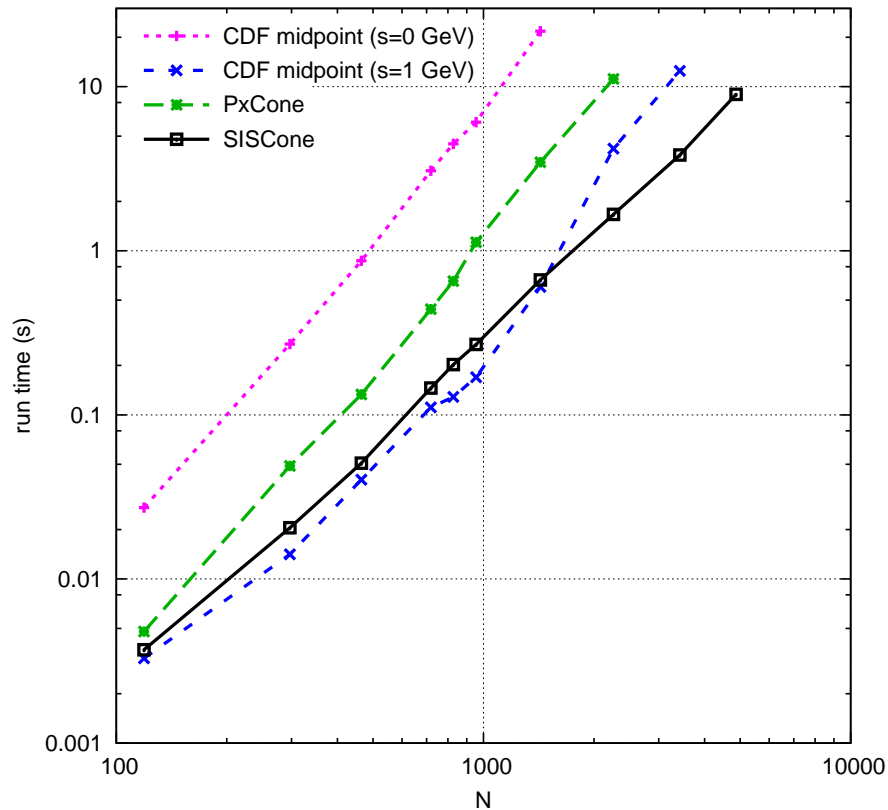
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→ C++ implementation: Seedless Infrared-Safe Cone algorithm (SIScone)  
G.Salam, G.S., JHEP 04 (2007) 086; <http://projects.hepforge.org/siscone>

NB.: also available from FastJet

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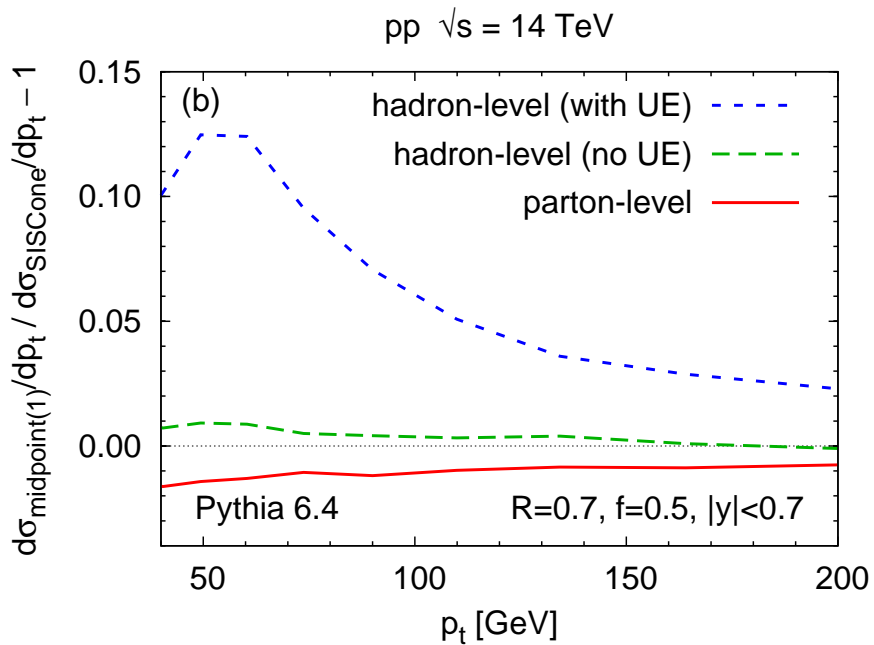
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- at least as fast as as midpoint with seed thresholds



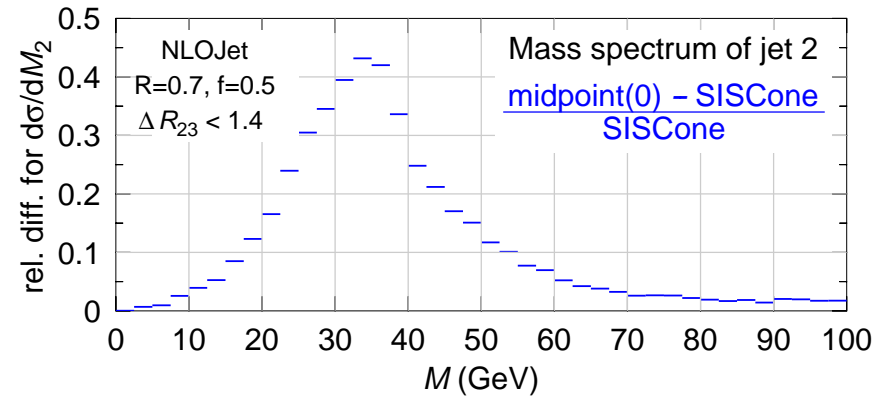
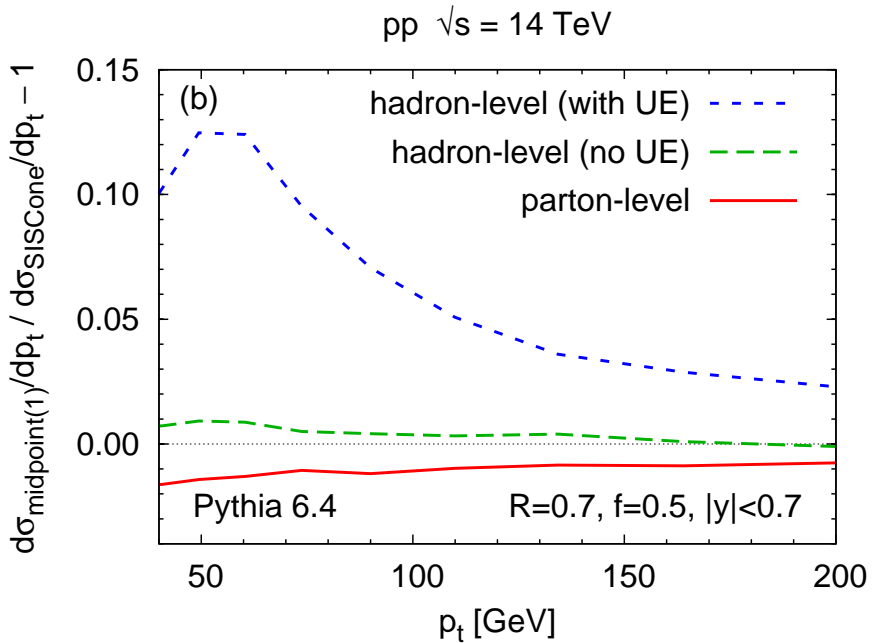
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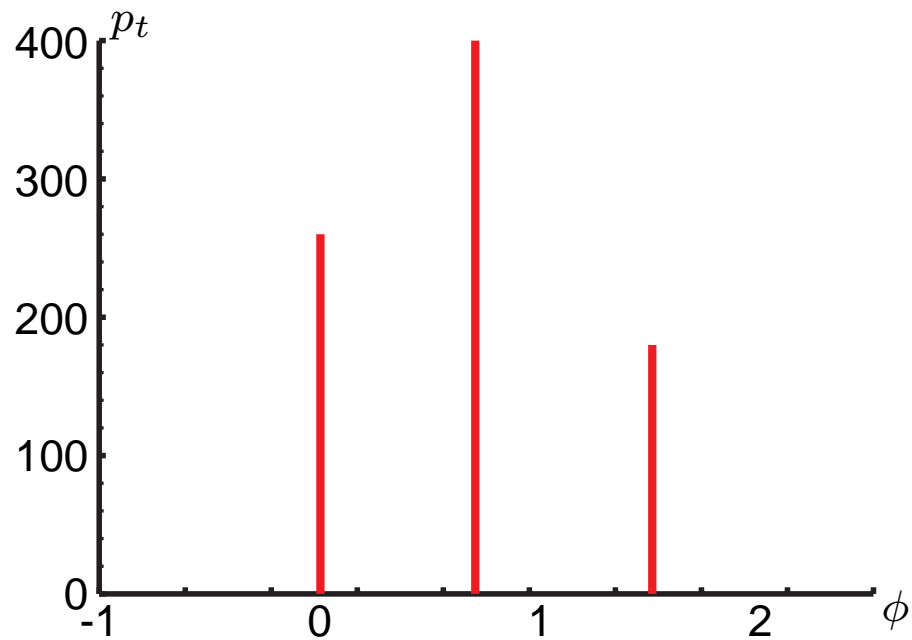


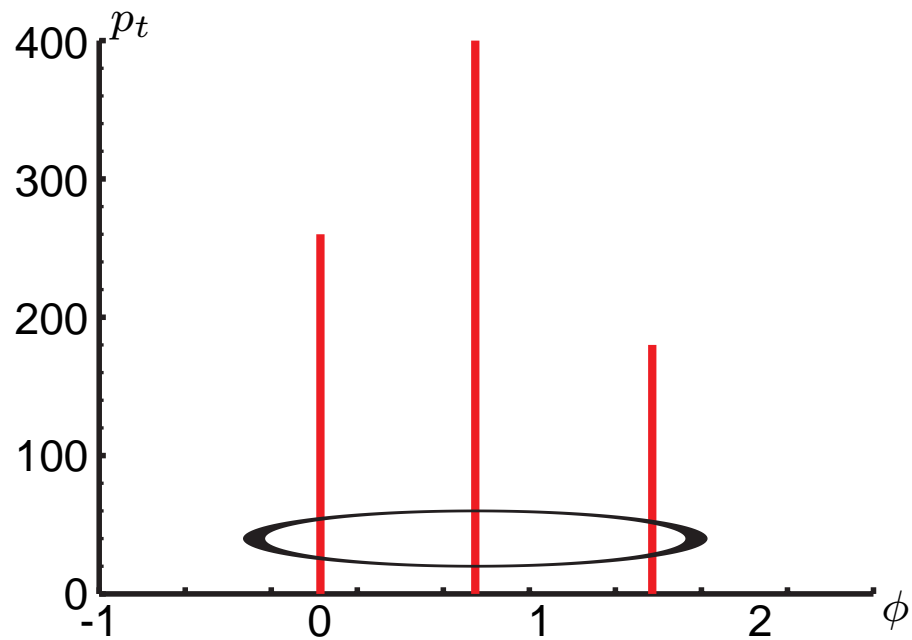
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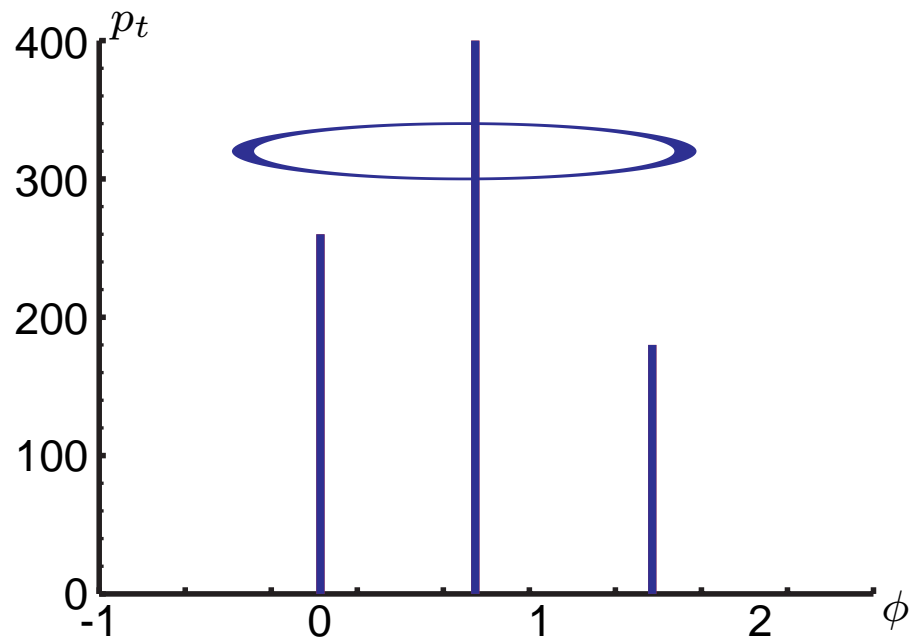
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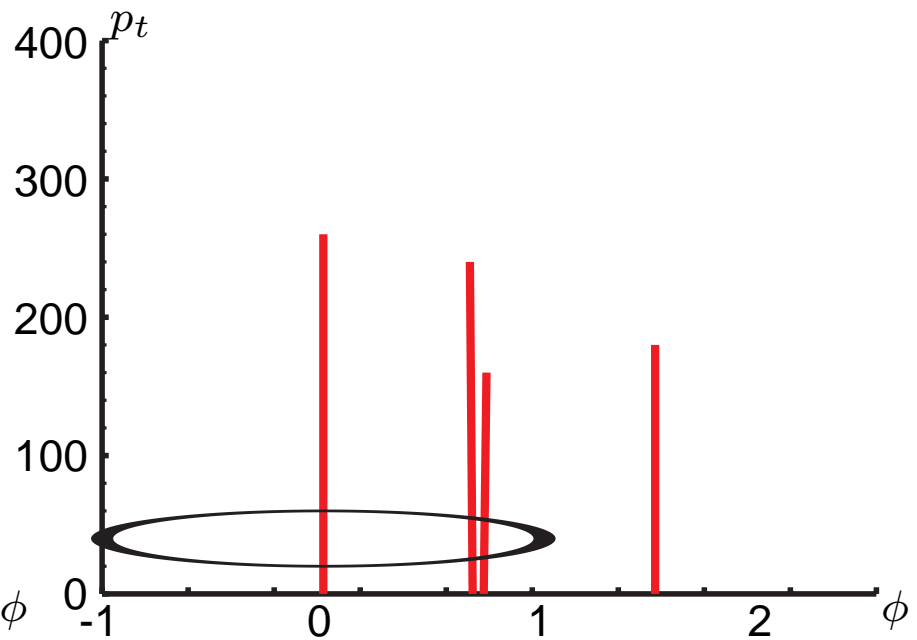
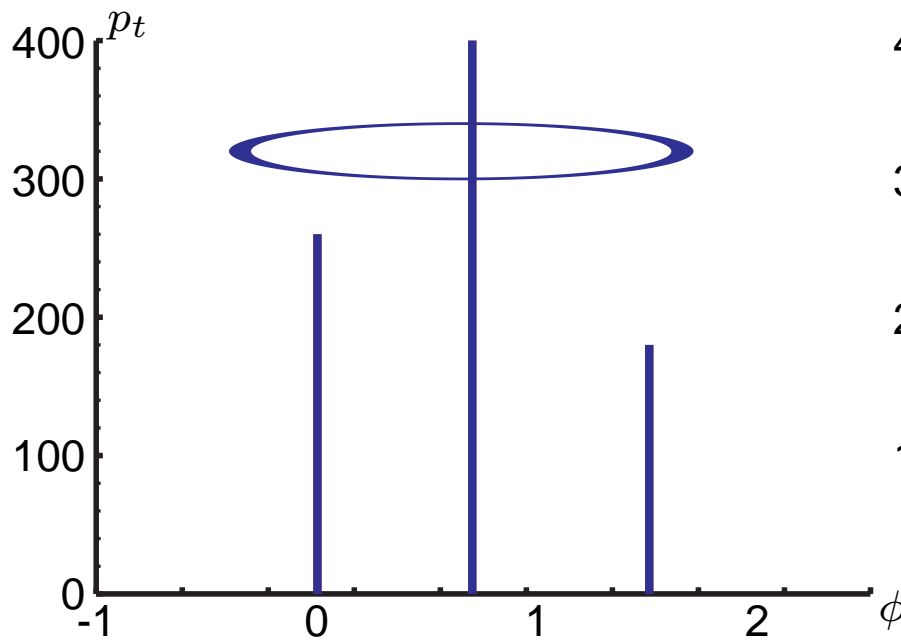
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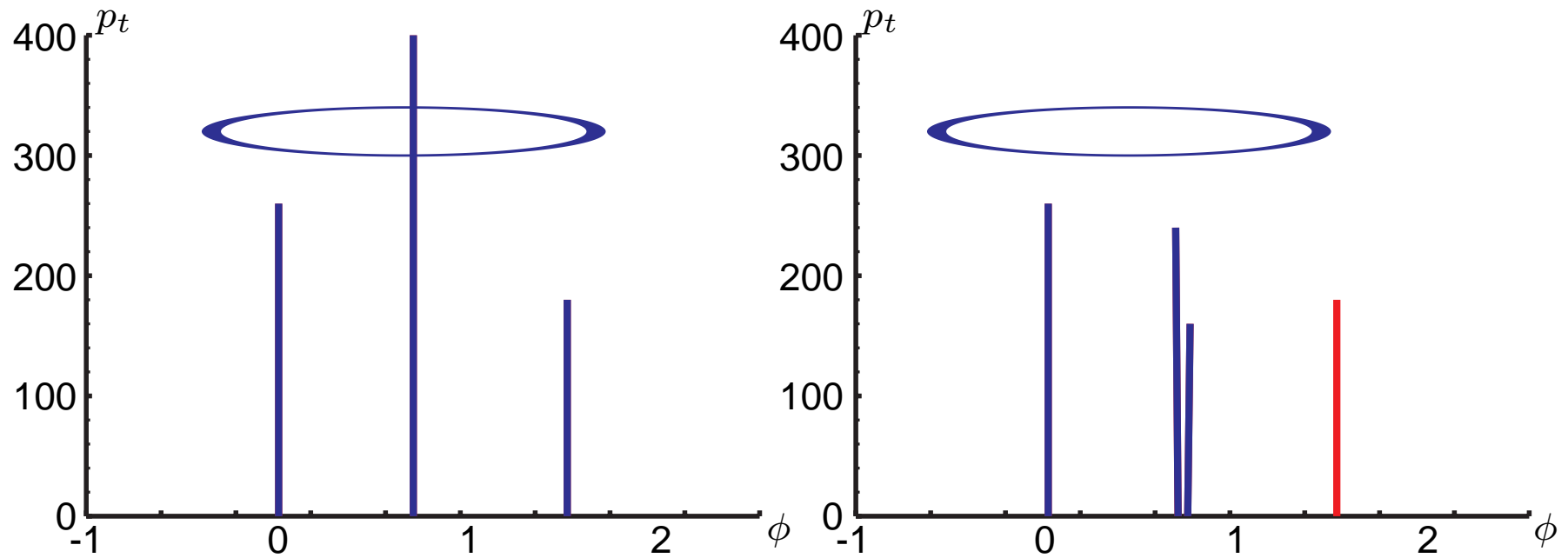
- effects  $\sim 45\%$
- **Important for LHC!**

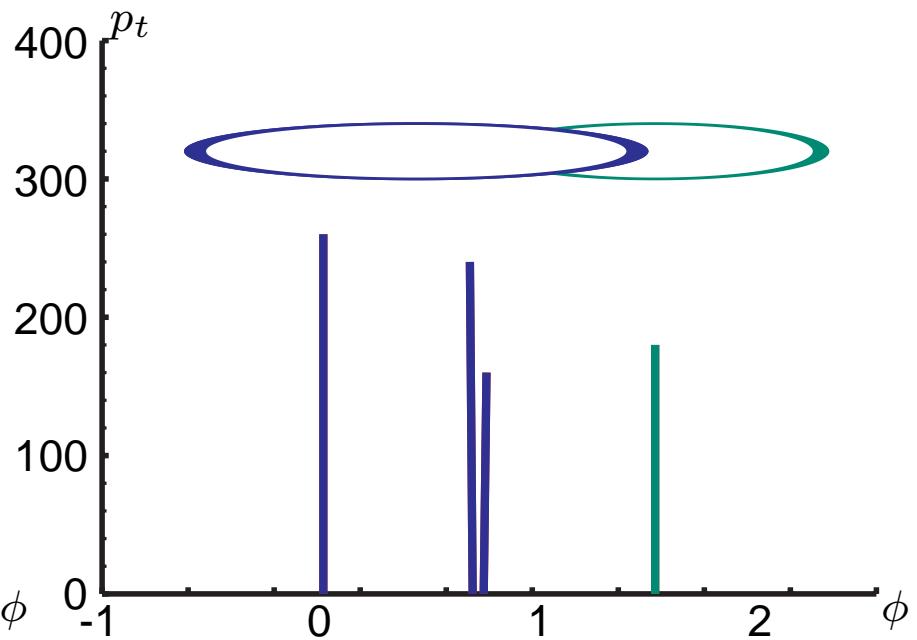
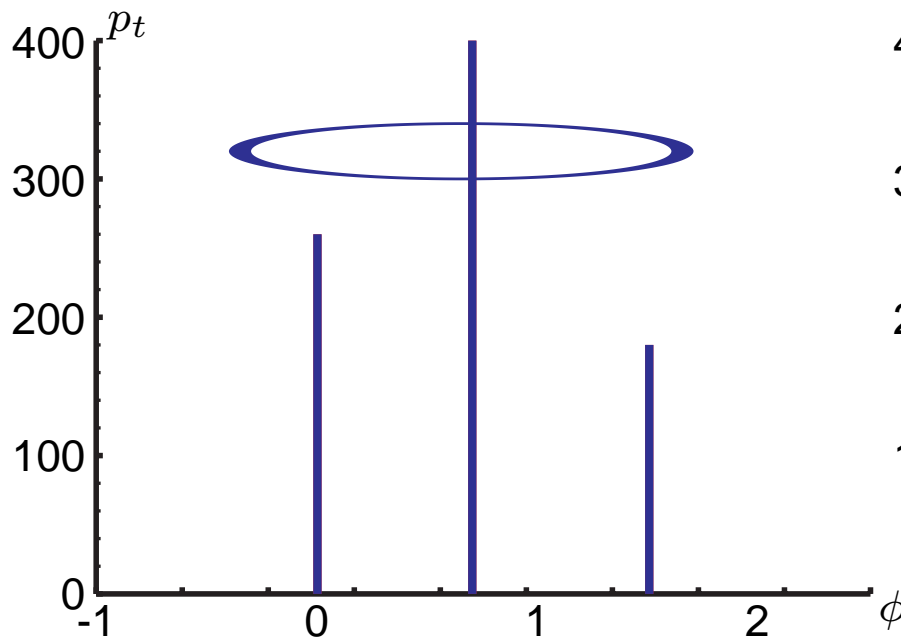




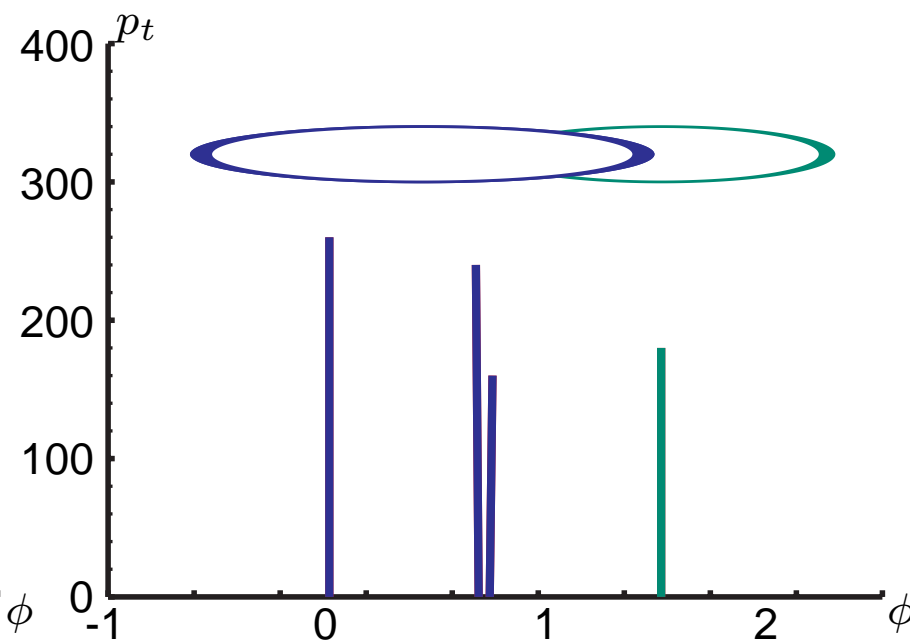
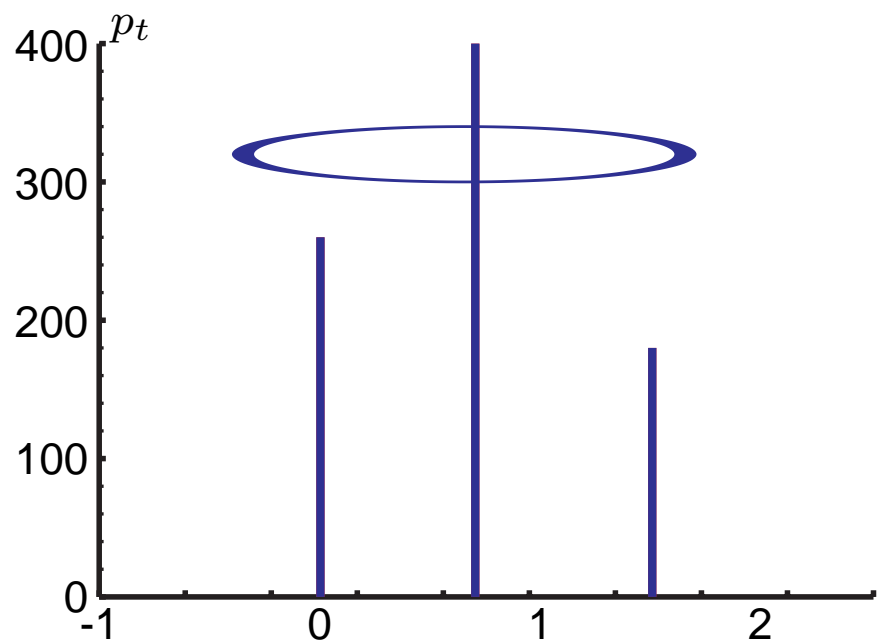












- Before collinear splitting: 1 jet
- After collinear splitting: 2 jets

→ **collinear unsafety of the iterative cone algorithm**

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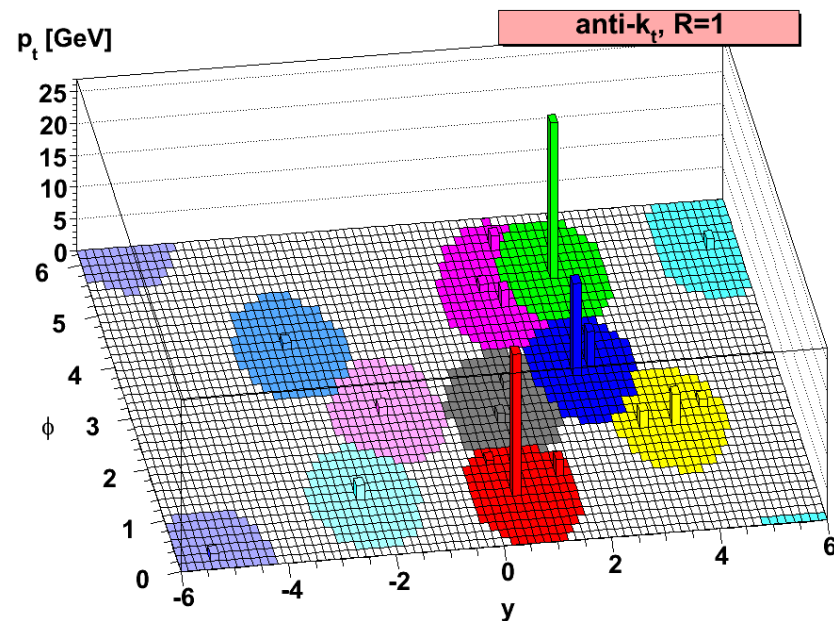
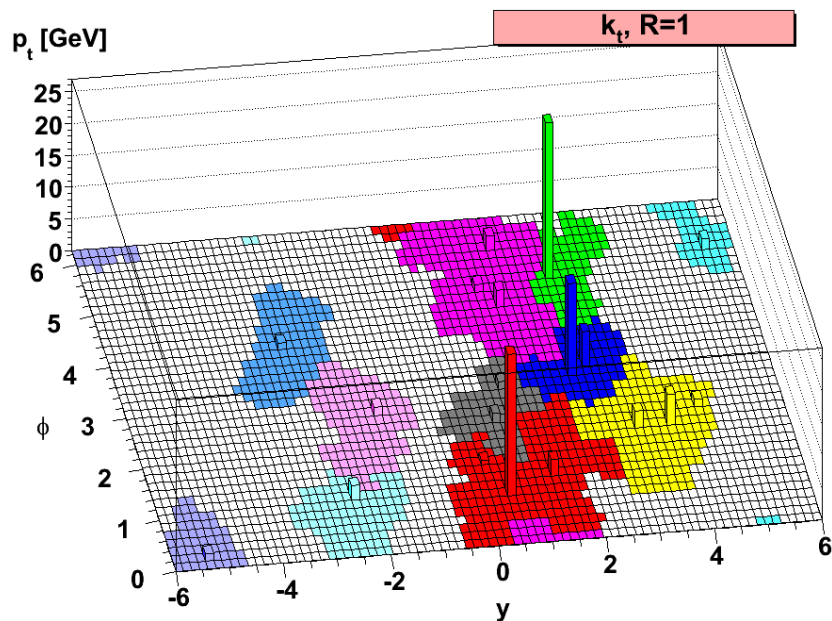
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Why should that be related to the iterative cone ?!?

- “large  $k_t \Rightarrow$  small distance”  
*i.e.* hard partons “eat” everything up to a distance  $R$   
*i.e.* circular/regular jets, jet borders unmodified by soft radiation
- infrared and collinear safe

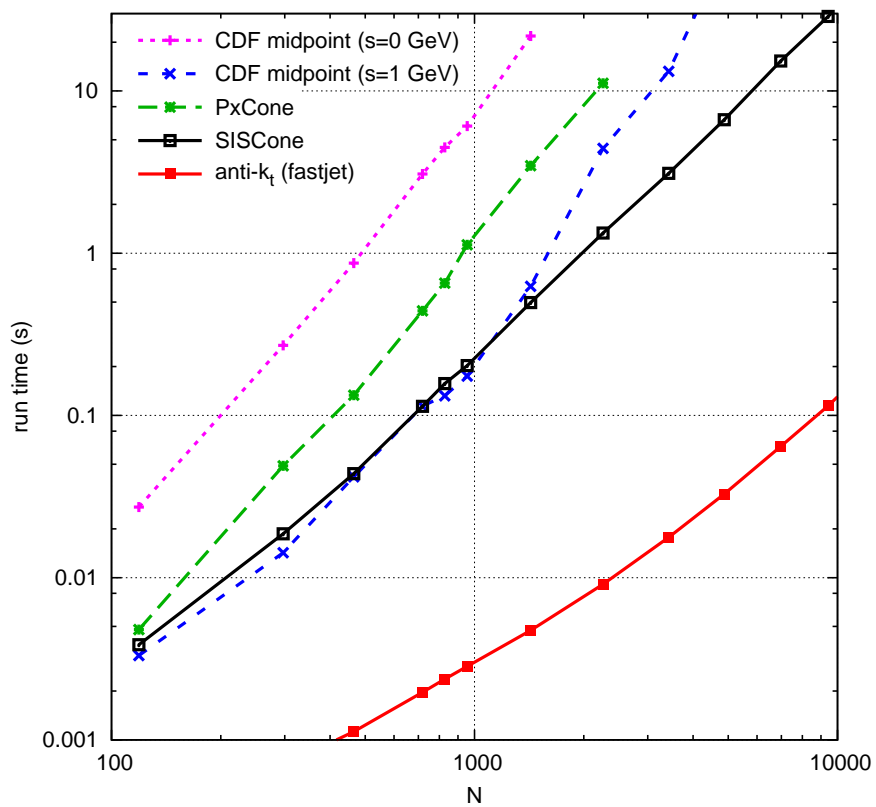
## Hard event + homogeneous soft background



anti- $k_t$  is soft-resilient

more later in this talk...

## Execution timings:



As fast as the (fast)  $k_t$  ([M. Cacciari, G. Salam, 06])

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All part of FastJet

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**Jets in  $pp$  collisions**  
**Choosing the adapted jet definition**

**[M.Cacciari, J.Rojo, G.Salam, G.S., to appear]**



We analyse 3 processes:

- $Z' \rightarrow q\bar{q} \rightarrow 2 \text{ jets}$  and  $H \rightarrow gg \rightarrow 2 \text{ jets}$ :

simple environment: identify 2 jets and reconstruct  $M_{Z',H}$

source of monochromatic quark/gluon jets

scale dependence: mass of the  $Z'/H$  varied between 100 GeV and 4 TeV

fictitious narrow  $Z', H$

- $t\bar{t} \rightarrow W^+bW^-\bar{b} \rightarrow q\bar{q}bq\bar{q}\bar{b} \rightarrow 6 \text{ jets}$ :

complex environment: identify 6 jets and reconstruct 2 top

balance between reconstruction efficiency and identification

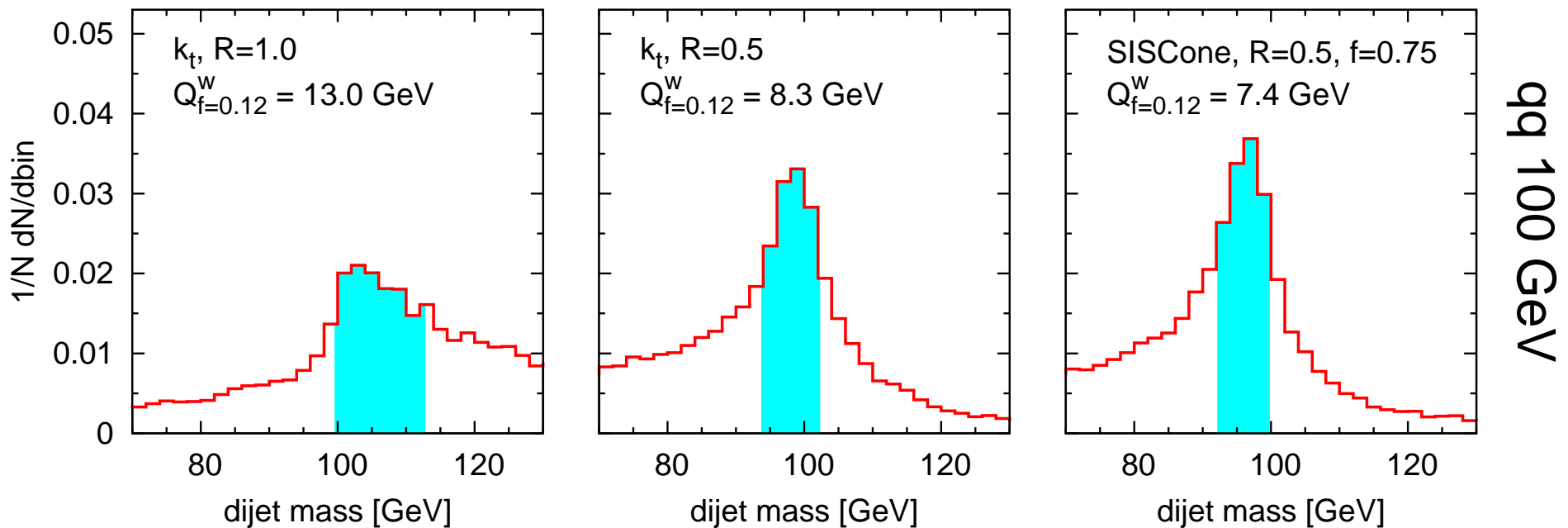
with

- the 5 IRC-safe algorithms:  $k_t$ , Cambridge, anti- $k_t$ , SISCone, Cam+filtering
- jet radius varied between 0.1 and 1.5

## Measure of the jet reconstruction efficiency

- Forget about measures related to **parton-jet matching**,  
→ use the reconstructed mass peak
  - Forget about fits depending on **the shape of the peak**
- ⇒ maximise the signal over background ratio ( $S/\sqrt{B}$ ):

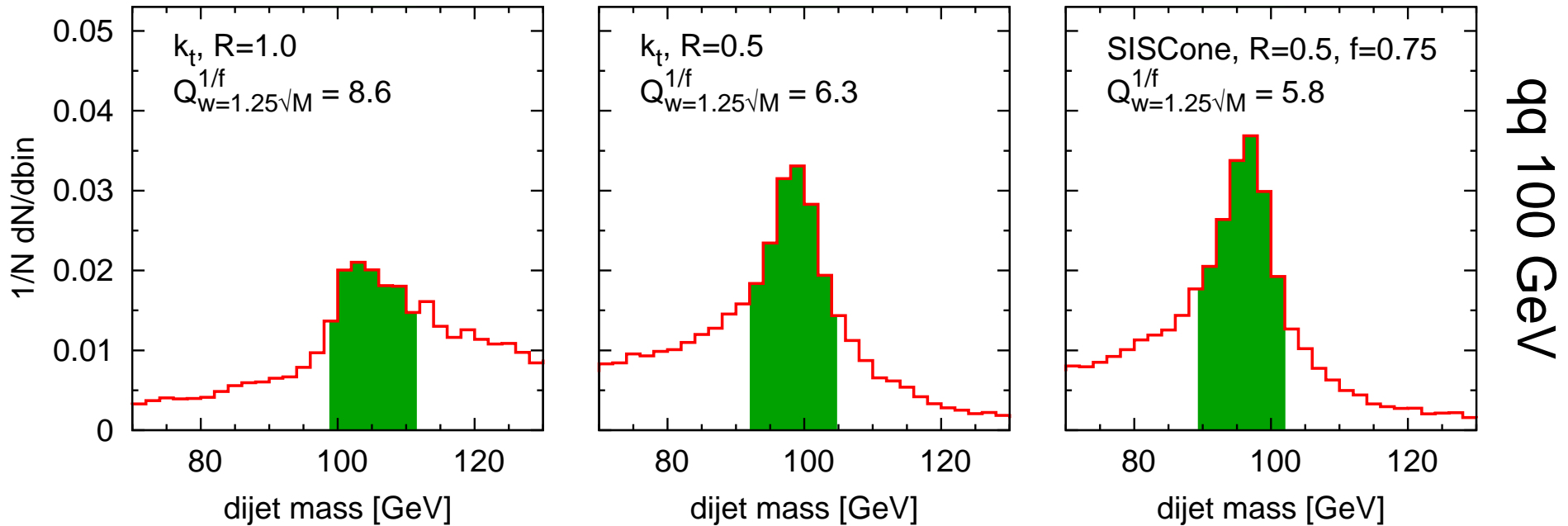
$Q_{f=z}^w(JA, R) =$  minimal width of a window containing a fraction  $f = z$  of the events



qq 100 GeV

Fixed signal, minimal width(background)

$$Q_f^{w=x\sqrt{M}}(JA, R) = (1/\text{maximal number of events in a window of width } x\sqrt{M})$$



Maximal signal, fixed width(background)

- it intuitively does what it should
- relates to a signal significance (assuming constant background)

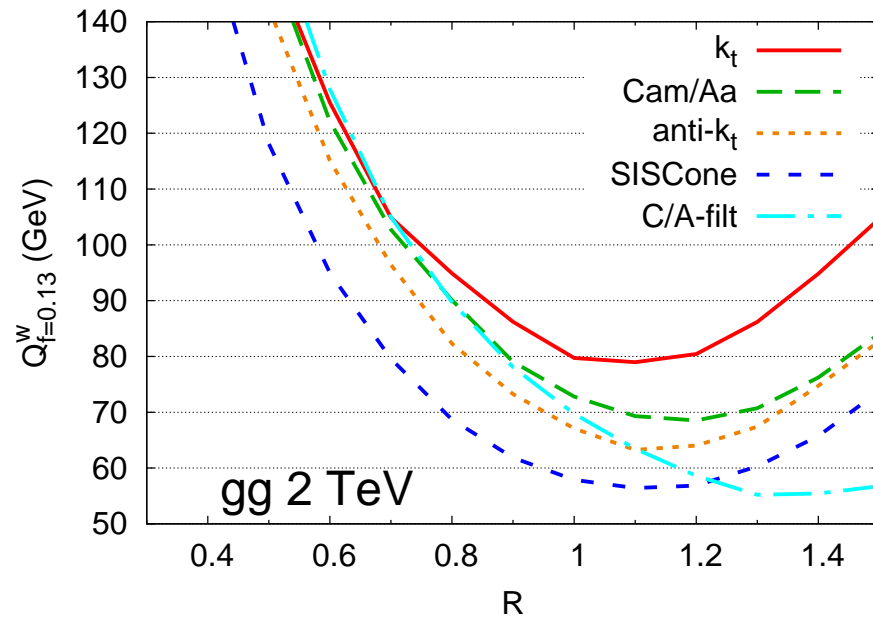
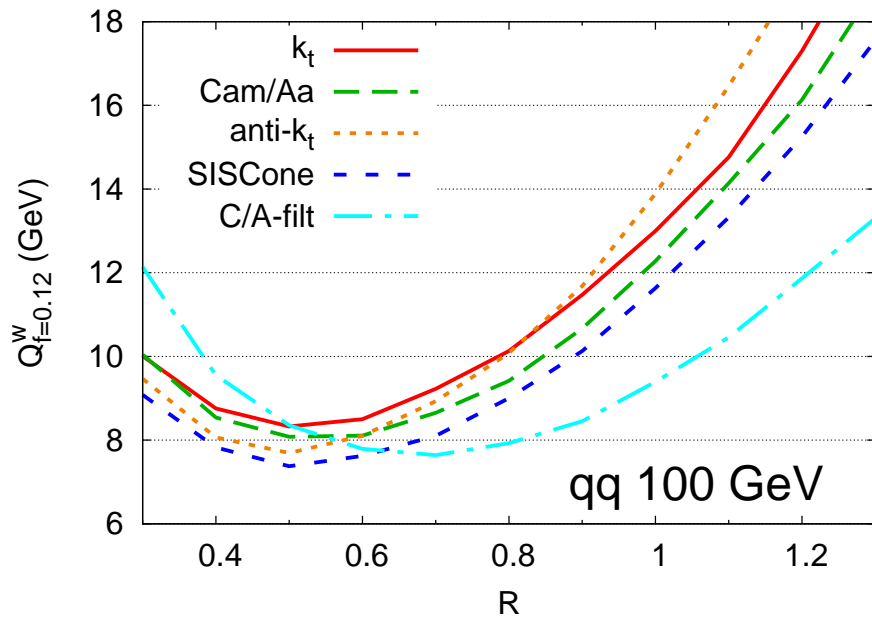
$$\frac{\Sigma(\text{JD}_1)}{\Sigma(\text{JD}_2)} = \left[ \frac{N_{\text{signal}}}{\sqrt{N_{\text{bkg}}}} \right]_{\text{JD}} = \sqrt{\frac{Q_{f=z}^w(\text{JD}_2)}{Q_{f=z}^w(\text{JD}_1)}} = \frac{Q_f^{w=x\sqrt{M}}(\text{JD}_2)}{Q_f^{w=x\sqrt{M}}(\text{JD}_1)}$$

minimal  $Q \equiv$  better signal-to-background ratio

- we can associate an effective luminosity ratio

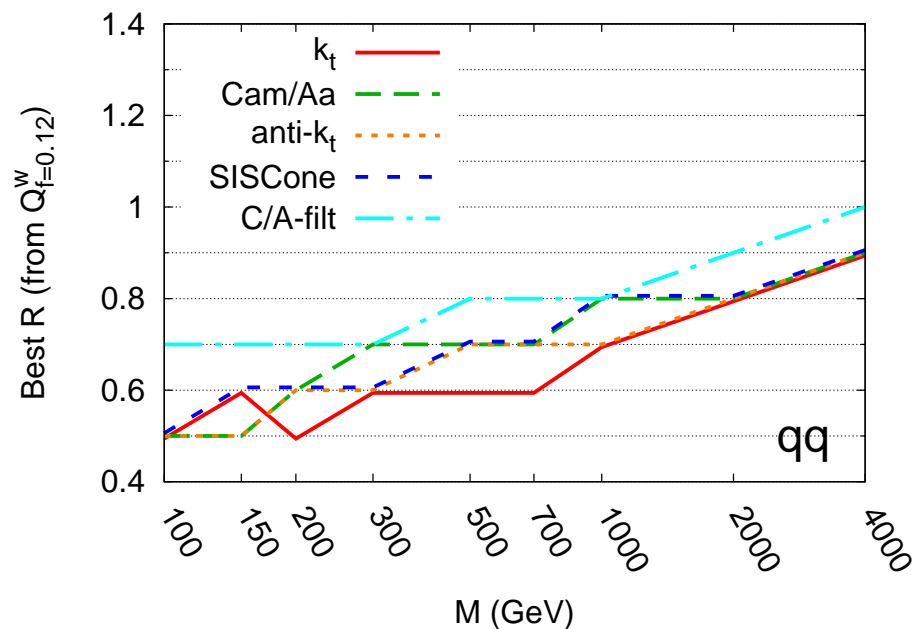
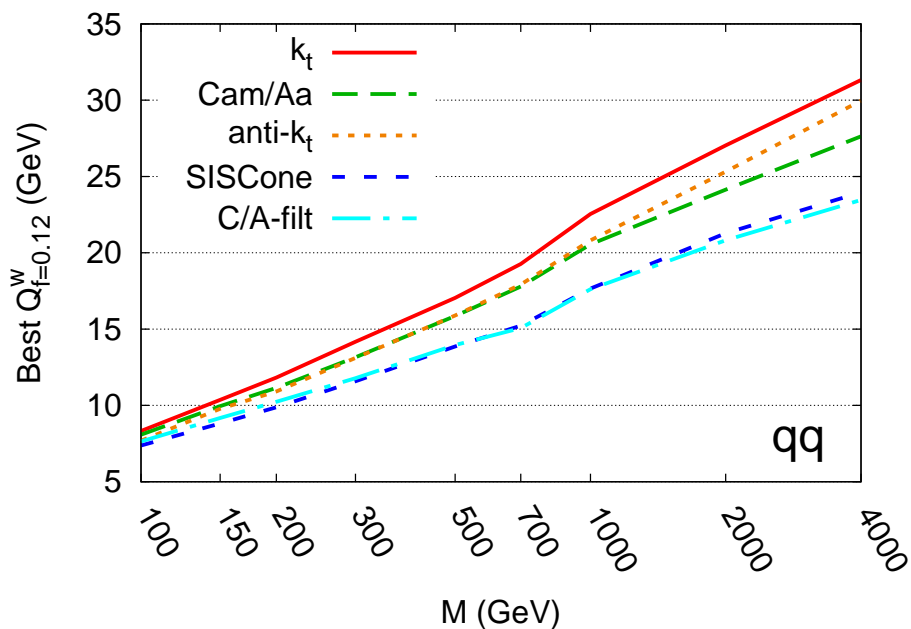
$$\rho_{\mathcal{L}} = \frac{\mathcal{L}_1}{\mathcal{L}_2} = \left[ \frac{\Sigma(\text{JD}_1)}{\Sigma(\text{JD}_2)} \right]^2$$

e.g. if  $\text{JD}_1$  has half the significance of  $\text{JD}_2$ , it will require 4 times the integrated luminosity to achieve the same discriminative power.

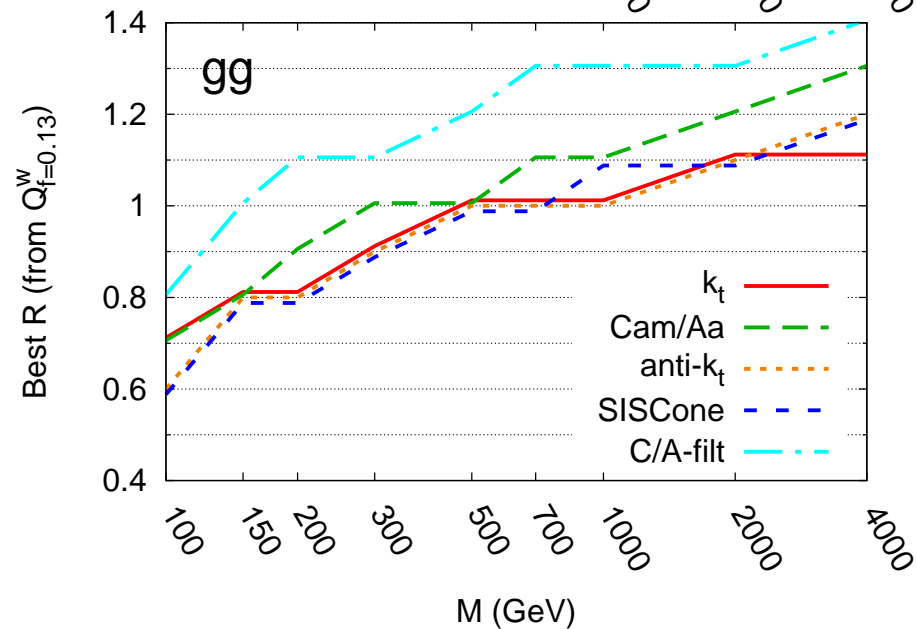
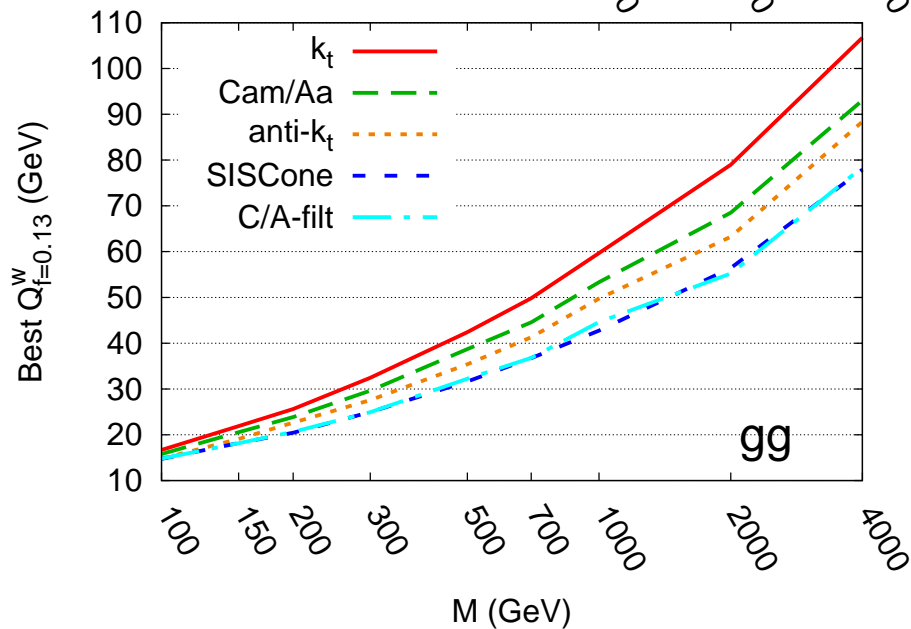
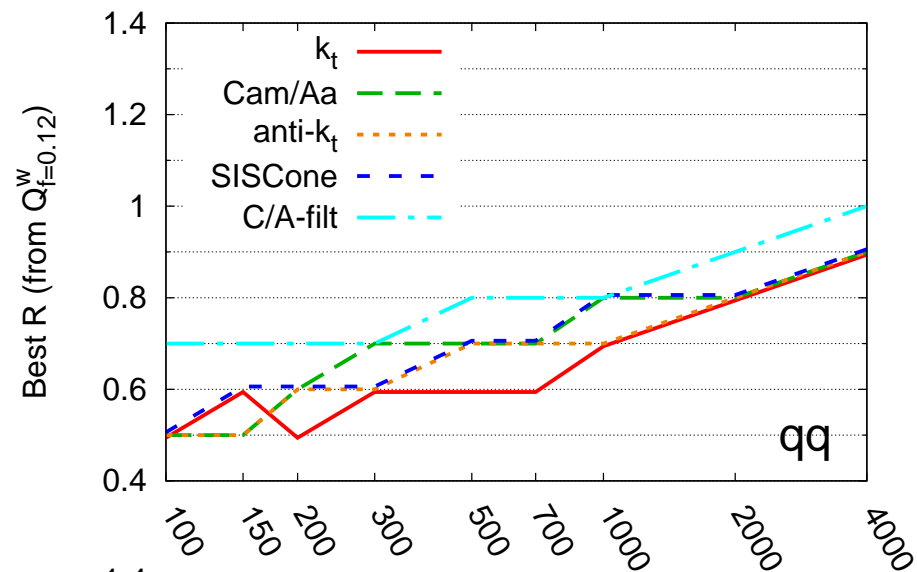
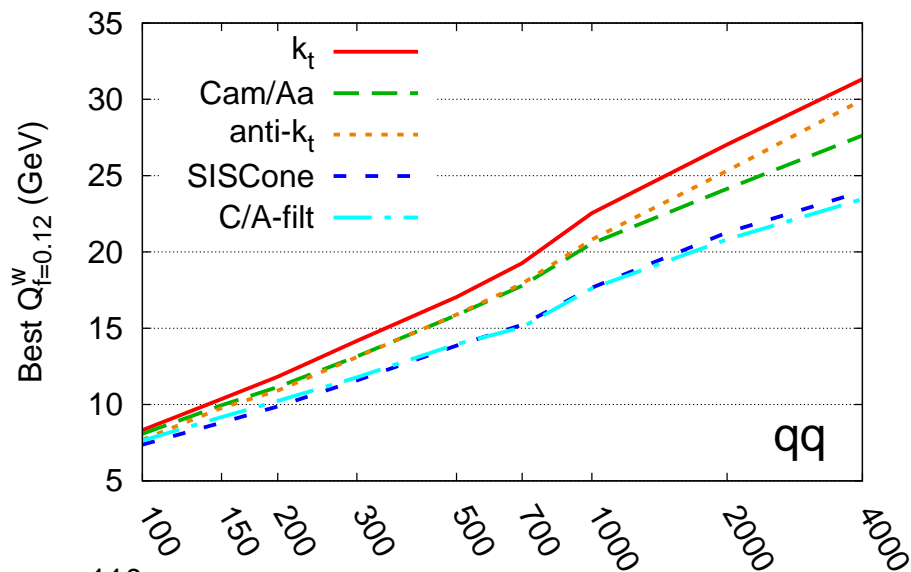


Allows to

- extract the best radius  $R_{\text{best}}$
- compare the different algorithm

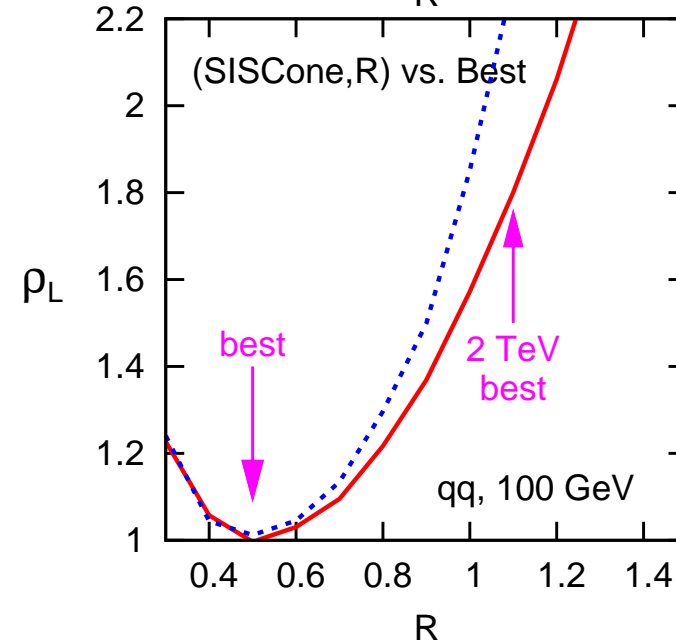
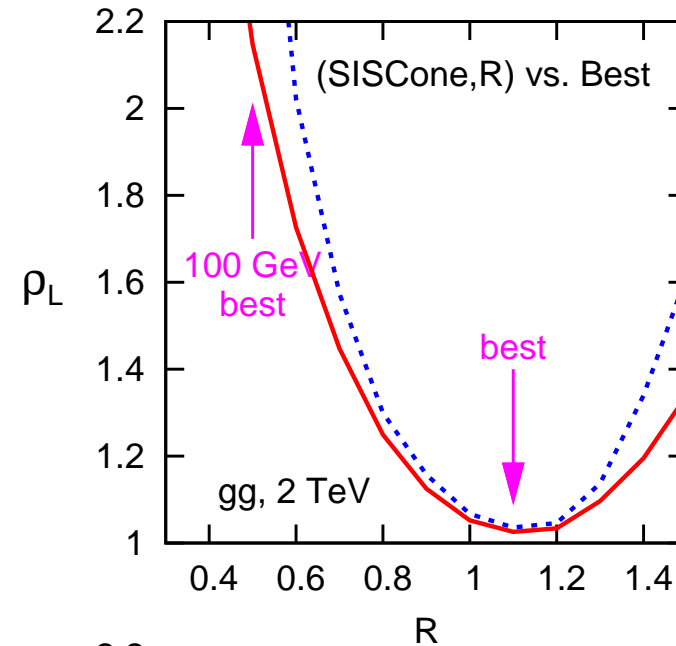
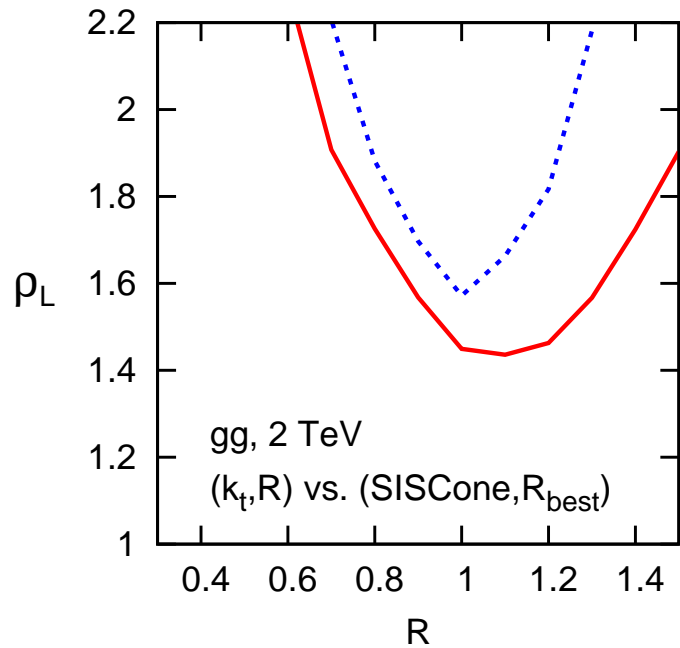


- SISCone and Cam+filtering perform better
- $R_{best}$  strongly depends on the mass



Same conclusions for gluon jets with slightly larger  $R$



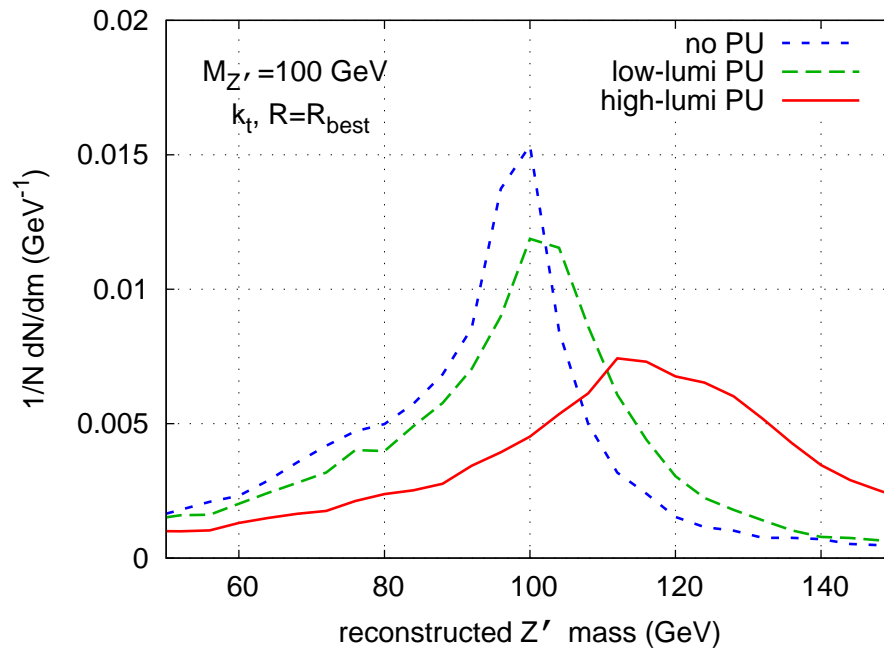


Mandatory at the LHC:  
Not choosing the best alg.  
AND  $R$  can be very costly  
for new discoveries

Note: typical choice,  $R \sim 0.5$

***Part 1***  
***Jets in  $pp$  collisions***  
***Subtracting pileup background using jet areas***

Pileup  $\approx$  uniform soft background that shifts jets to higher  $p_t$



... that needs to be subtracted!

⇒ Using jet areas!

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$$\langle \mathcal{A}(p_{t,1}, R) \rangle = \mathcal{A}_{\text{1hard}}(R) + \frac{C_{F,A}}{\pi b_0} \log \left( \frac{\alpha_s(Q_0)}{\alpha_s(Rp_t)} \right) \pi R^2 d$$

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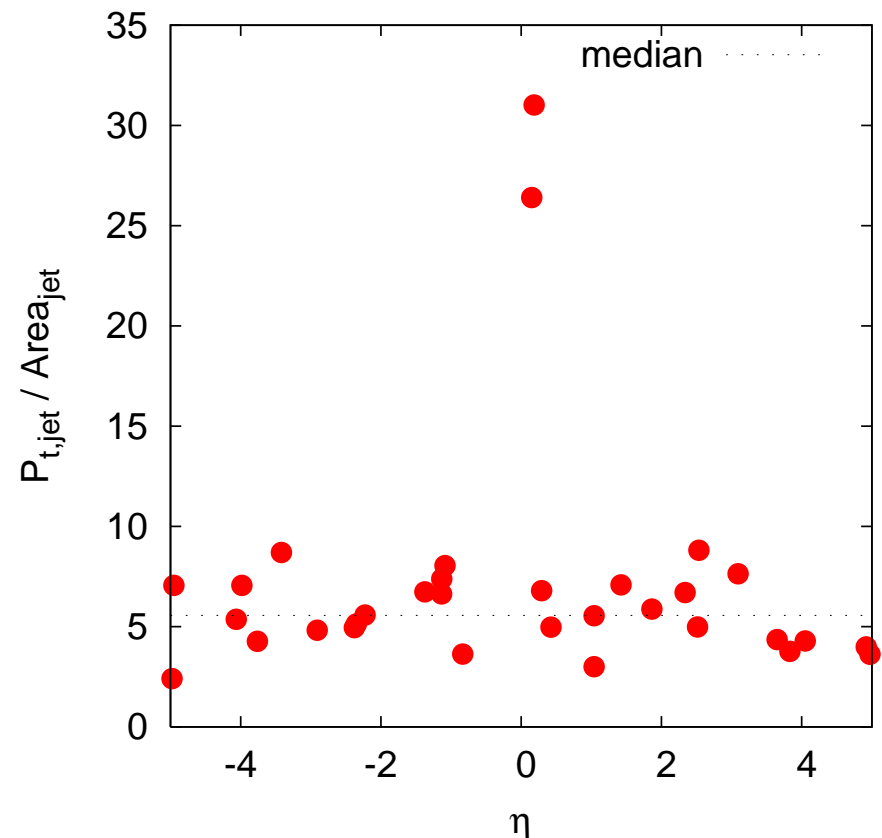
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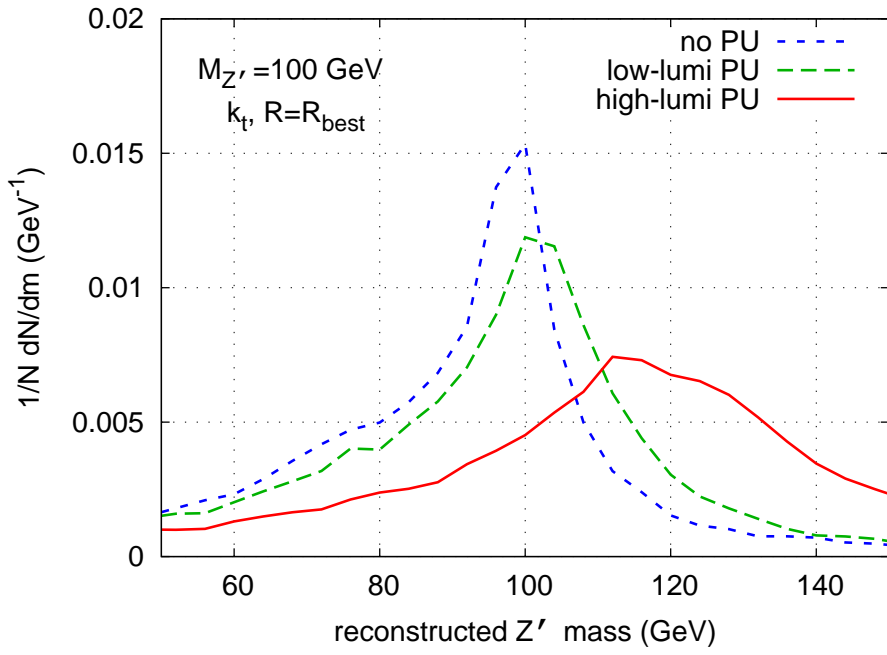
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● Pileup density per unit area:  $\rho_{\text{pileup}}$

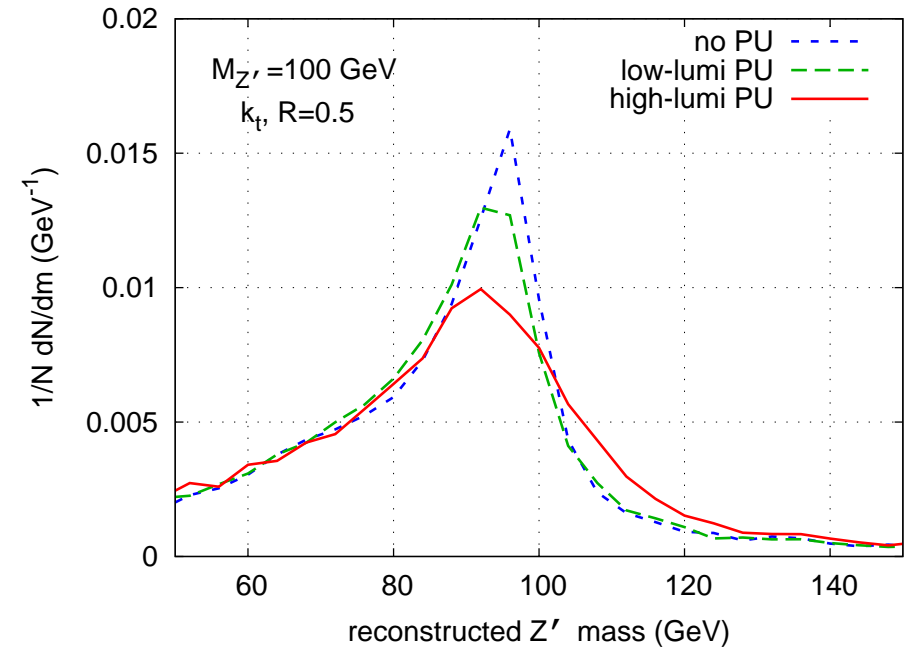
e.g. estimated from the median  
of  $p_{t,\text{jet}} / \text{Area}_{\text{jet}}$

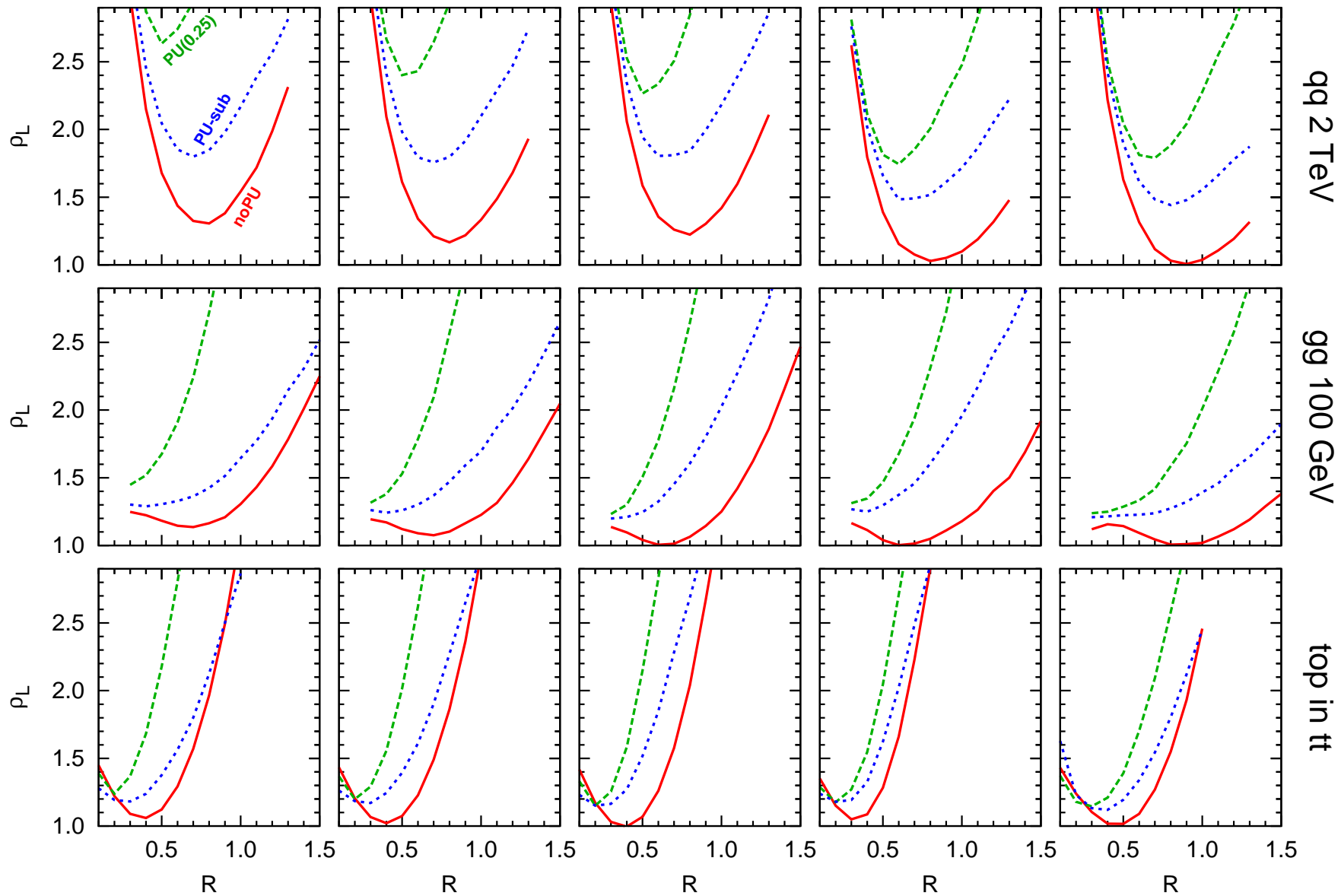
implemented in FastJet  
on an event-by-event basis





subtraction



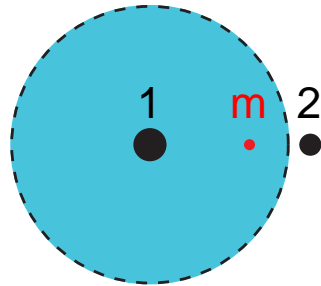


Subtraction  $\Rightarrow$  (i) large improvement, (ii)  $R_{\text{best}} \sim$  unchanged

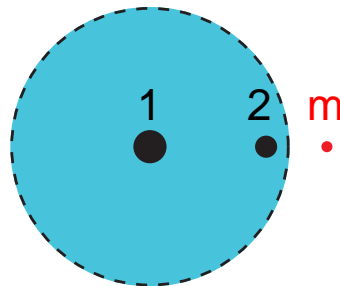


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  - can be pointlike or diffuse
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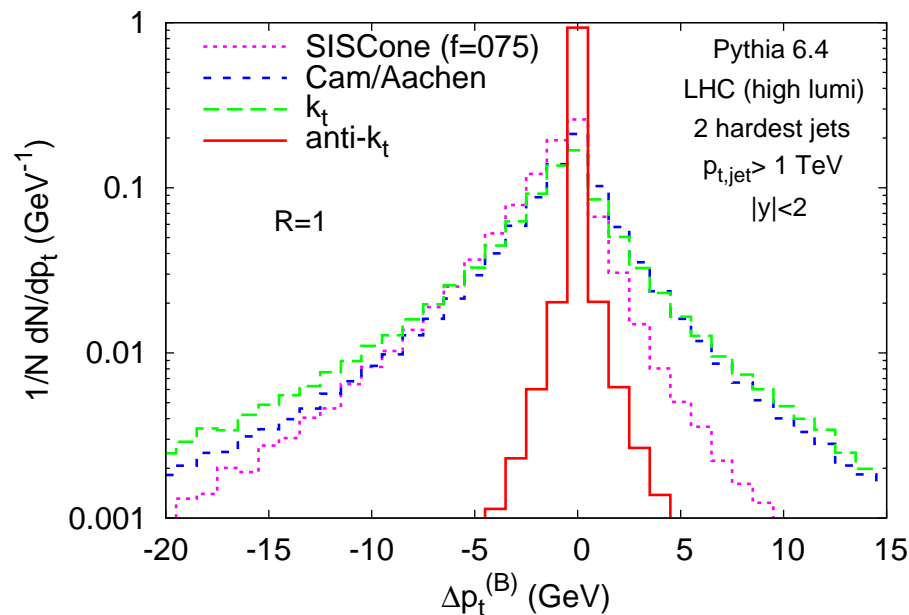


- loss:  $p_2$  lost when adding  $p_m$



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- Throw soft particles in the hard jet: dealt with by subtraction
- Modify the hard scattering (back-reaction)
  - can be pointlike or diffuse
  - tractable analytically (similar to areas)
  - $k_t \gtrsim$  Cambridge  $>$  SISCone  $\gg$  anti- $k_t$



## Message 1: IRC safety is mandatory

Midpoint and the iterative cone IR or Collinear unsafe (at  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^4)$ )

Observable	1st miss cones at	Last meaningful order
Inclusive jet cross section	NNLO	NLO
3 jet cross section	NLO	LO (NLO in NLOJet)
$W/Z/H$ + 2 jet cross sect.	NLO	LO (NLO in MCFM)
jet masses in 3 jets	LO	none (LO in NLOJet)

**+ We do not want the theoretical efforts to be wasted**

- Note: 1 order worse for JetClu of the ATLAS Cone!
- All IRC-safe algorithms available from FastJet (<http://www.fastjet.fr>)

## Message 2: flexibility in jet finding at the LHC

- Optimal jet definition (see also <http://quality.fastjet.fr>)
  - $R_{\text{best}} \sim 0.5$  at 100 GeV,  $R_{\text{best}} \sim 1$  at 1 TeV
  - important to choose  $R_{\text{best}}$ , SISCone and Cam+filt. slightly better
  - same for quark and gluon jets, larger  $R_{\text{best}}$  for gluons
  - TODO: understand this analytically/ improve clustering (e.g. filtering)
- Pileup subtraction using jet areas
  - Jet areas: clearly defined, analytic control
  - Simple systematic pileup subtraction
  - Same conclusions as without pileup
  - TODO: deal with fluctuating background (e.g. heavy ions)