### Defining jets at the dawn of the LHC

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#### Plan

- Jet algorithms and jet definitions
  - basic ideas: why jets? recombinations and cones
  - failures of the 20<sup>th</sup>-century cone algorithms
  - new algorithms without the failures

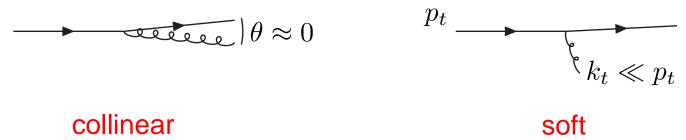
- More advanced topics: how to better use the tools we have?
  - jet areas: tool for pileup subtraction
  - new generation of algorithms
  - optimal choice (for kinematic reconstructions)

### Unavoidable theory

QCD probability for gluon emission (angle  $\theta$  and  $\perp$ -mom.  $k_t$ ):

$$dP \propto \alpha_s \, \frac{d\theta}{\theta} \, \frac{dk_t}{k_t}$$

Two divergences:

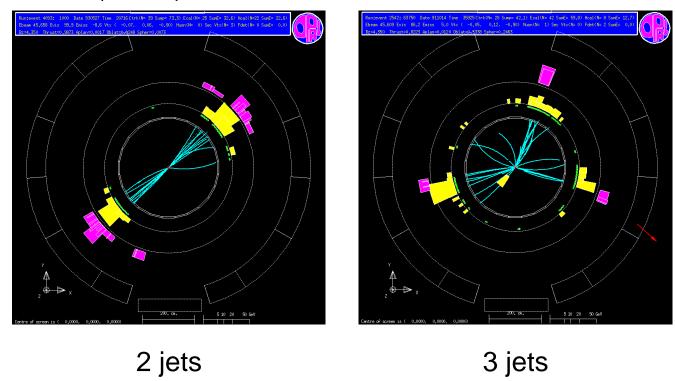


Divergences cancelled by virtual corrections

### Motivation: why jets

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Example: LEP (OPAL) events



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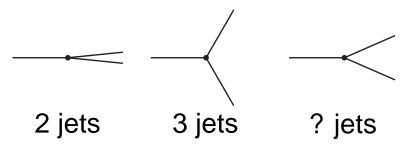
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#### BUT

- a "parton" is an ambiguous concept (NLO)
- "collinear" has some arbitraryness



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In practice: use of a jet definition

jet
particles  $\{p_i\}$ definition

Jet algorithm: the recipe (insufficient!)
Jet definition: algorithm + the parameters

#### Recombination:

- $k_t$  algorithm
- Cambridge/Aachen alg.

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- CDF MidPoint
- D0 (run II) Cone
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Idea: undo the showering

#### Successively

- find the closest pair of particles
- recombine them

#### Distance:

$$k_t$$
:

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

#### Cam/Aachen:

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stop at a distance R

<u>Idea</u>: dominant flow of energy

#### Stable cone (radius R):

sum of particles in the cone points towards the cone centre

All these are iterative cones:

- start from a seed
- iterate until stable

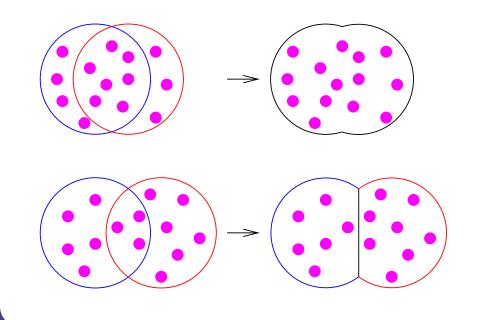
seeds = {particles, midpoints}

Jet ≡ stable cone modulo overlapping

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#### Cone with split-merge

Split/merge if the overlap is smaller/larger than a threshold f



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#### Cone with progressive removal

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- iterate from hardest particle
- call that a jet (remove particles)

# Basic property: hard circular jets

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✓ perturbative behaviour

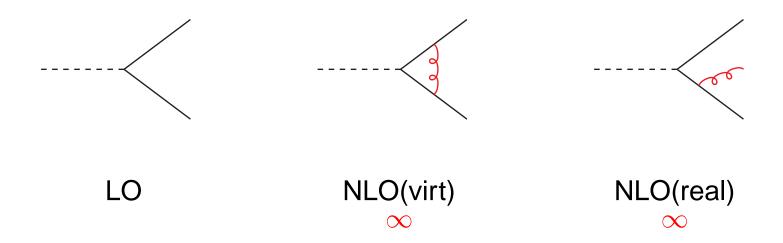
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✓ UE sensitivity

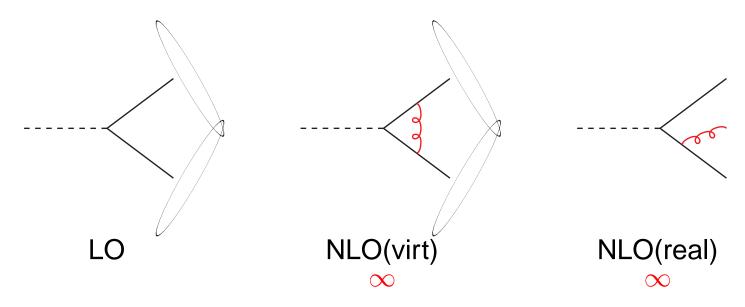
21st century: how does that picture change?

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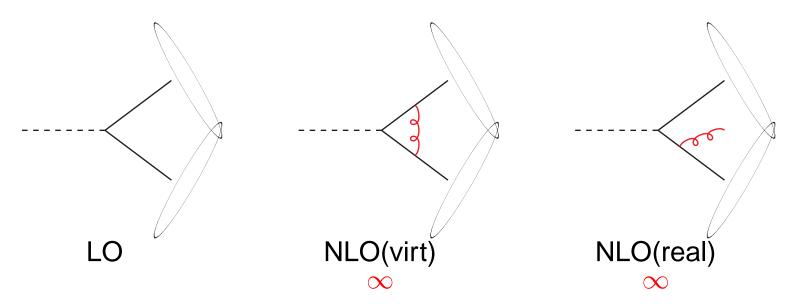
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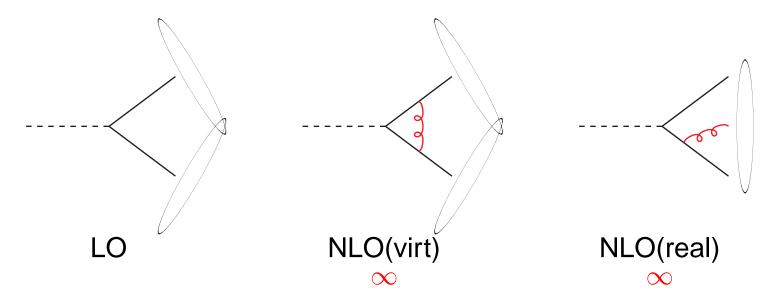
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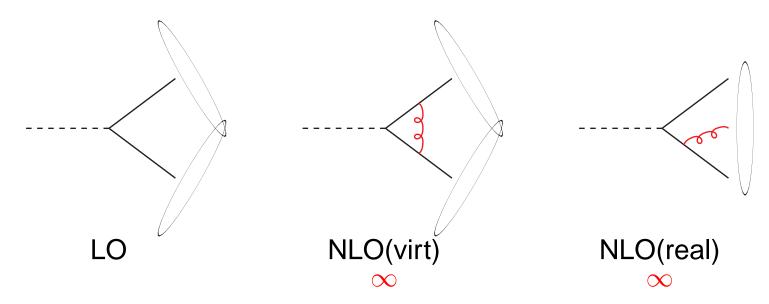
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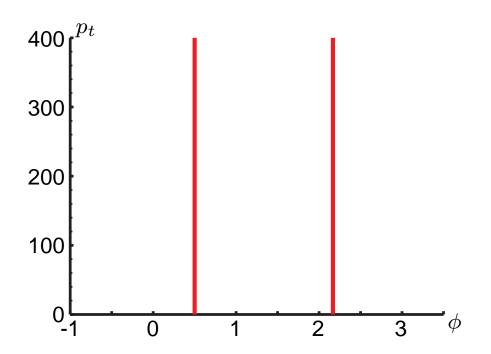
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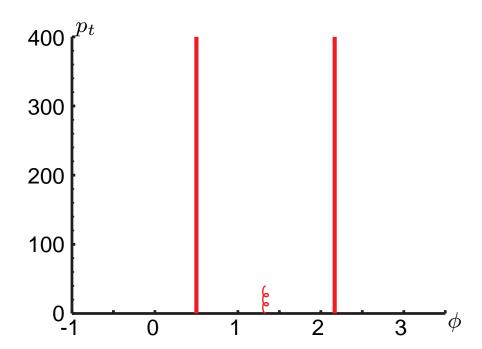


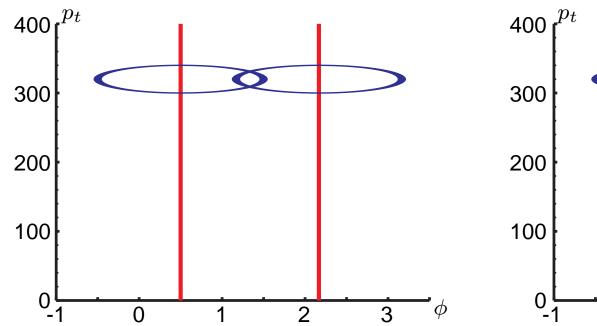
For pQCD to make sense, the (hard) jets should not change when

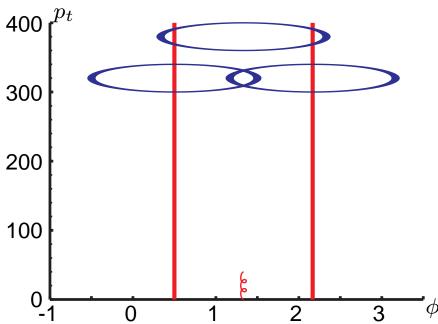
- one has a soft emission *i.e.* adds a very soft gluon
- one has a collinear splitting i.e. replaces one parton by two at the same place  $(\eta, \phi)$

[SNOWMASS Accords, Fermilab, 1990]

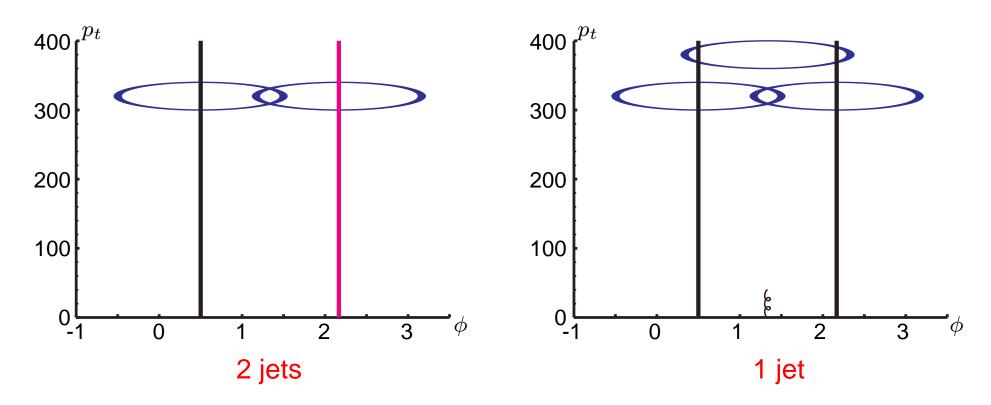






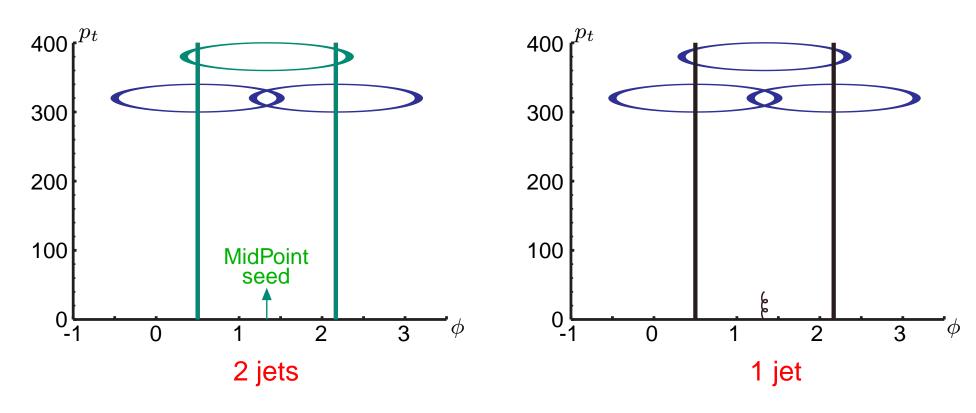


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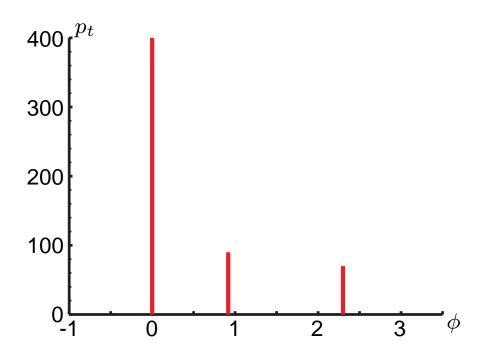


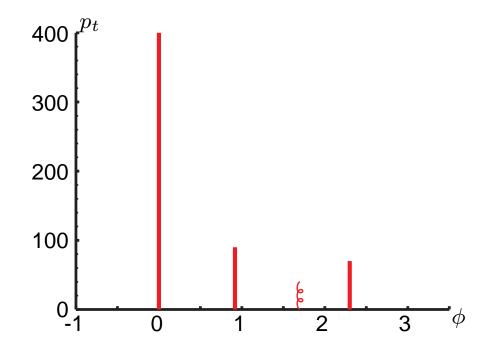
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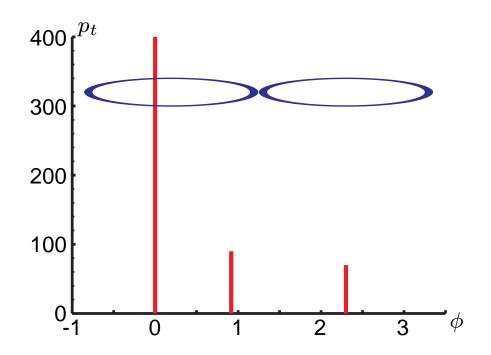
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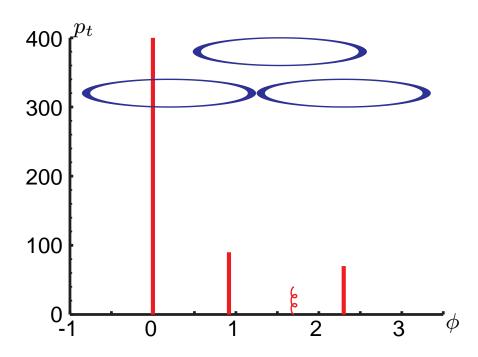
Fixed by MidPoint

[Blazey et al., 00]

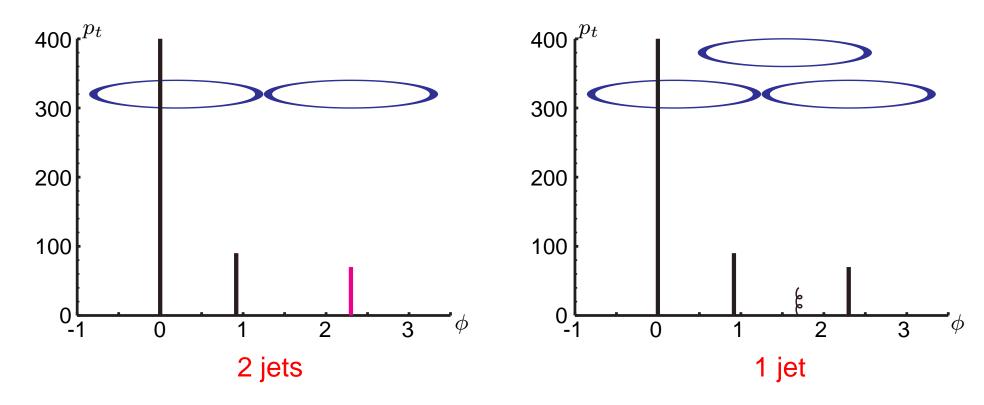






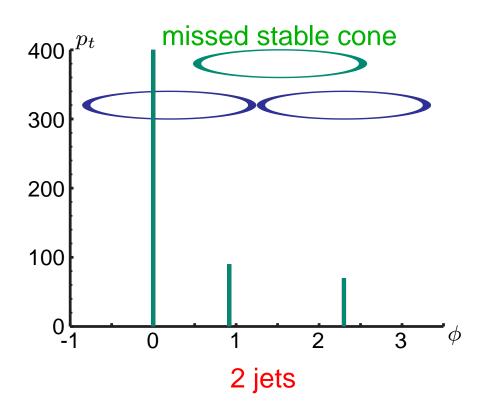


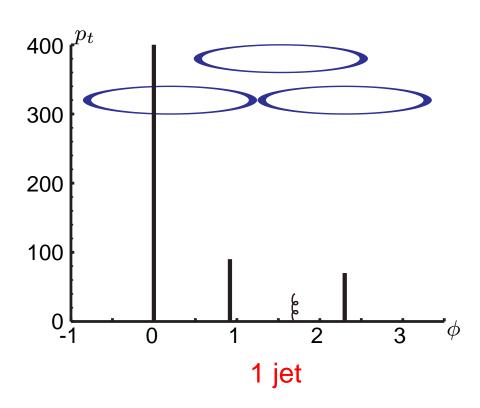
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 $\Rightarrow$  IR unsafety of MidPoint (1 order in  $\alpha_s$  later than JetClu)





Solution: be sure to find all stable cones

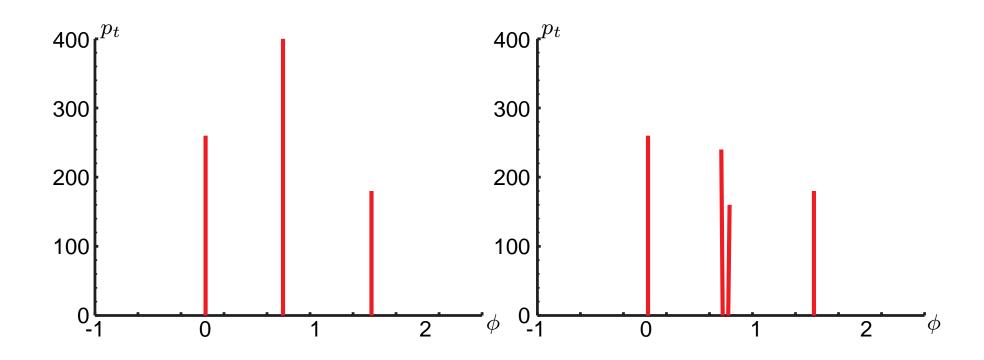
SISCone: Seedless Infrared-Safe Cone algorithm

http://projects.hepforge.org/siscone

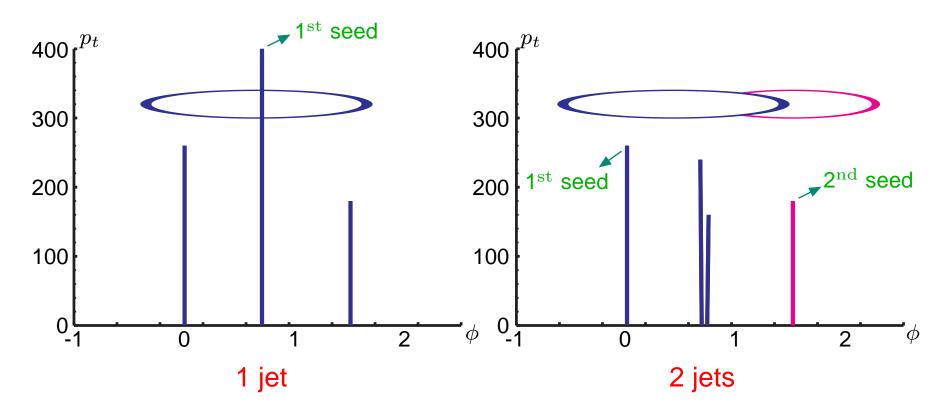
[G.Salam, G.S., 07]

Idea: enumerate enclosures by enumerating pairs of particles

# Collinear (un)safety? the CMS iterative cone



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A colinear splitting changed the number of jets

⇒ Collinear unsafety of the CMS iterative cone

### Anti- $k_t$

#### Come back to recombination-type algorithms:

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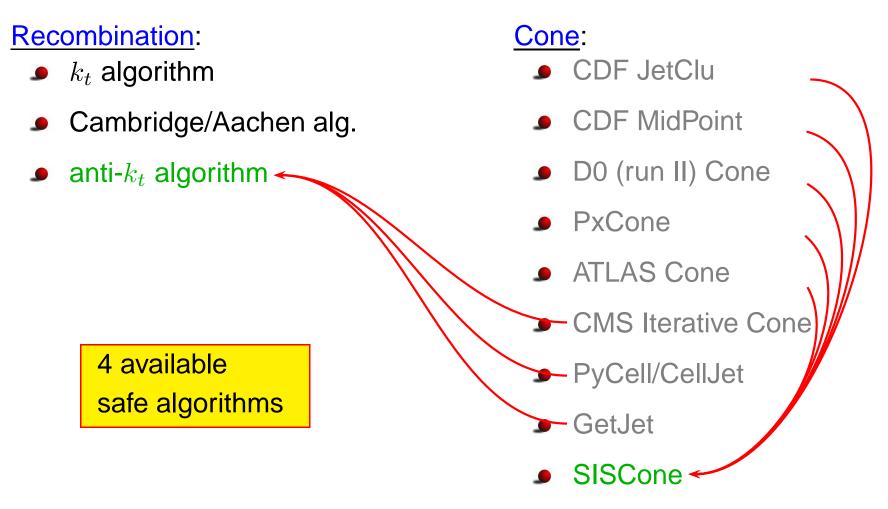
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- p = 0: Aachen/Cambridge algorithm
- p = -1: anti- $k_t$  algorithm [M.Cacciari, G.Salam, G.S., 08]

#### 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 Ri.e. circular/regular jets, jet borders unmodified by soft radiation
- infrared and collinear safe



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2 particles 3 particles 4 particles 4 particles 4 particles 
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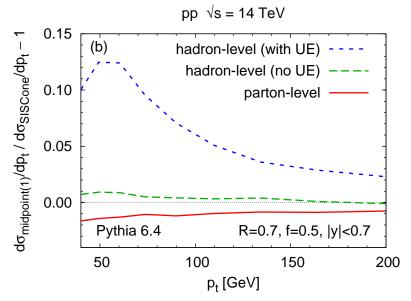
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- same argument for the Iterative Cone
- 1 order worse for JetClu or the ATLAS cone

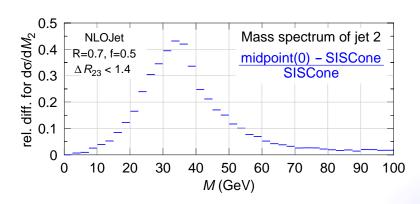
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#### Example: (Midpoint-SISCone)/SISCone



- Incl. cross-section: a few %
- Masses in 3-jet events:  $\sim 45\%$



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# Huge effort ( $\sim 50~\text{M}{\equiv}$ ) to compute processes in pQCD

Note:

ullet arXiv:0903.0814: W+2 jets vs. LO QCD using CDF JetClu

ullet arXiv:0903.1748: Z+2 jets vs. NLO QCD using the D0runll cone

 $\blacksquare$  arXiv:0903.1801: Z+2 jets vs. NLO QCD using the CMS iterative cone

# We (finally) have a good set of tools

Can we do better?

# A growing list

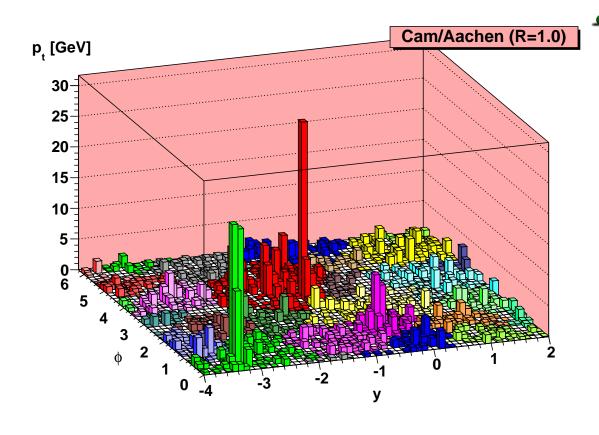
#### Many ideas and applications:

- √ jet areas and background subtraction
  - → UE, pileup, heavy-ion background subtraction
- √ jet substructure and filtering
  - → see below
- √ "best" jet definition
  - → kinematic dijet reconstruction
- √ boosted objects tagging

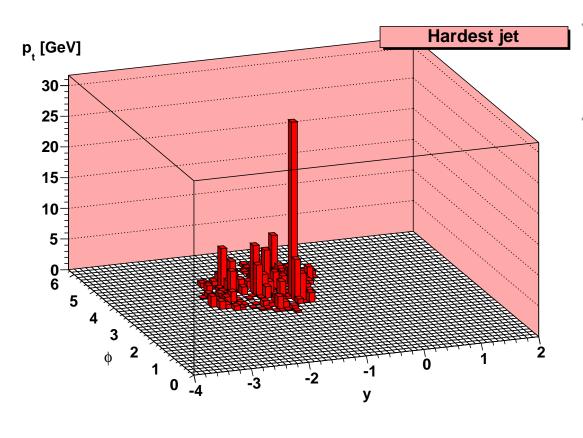
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I will cover the first three (see e.g. Gavin Salam's talk here for the 4th)

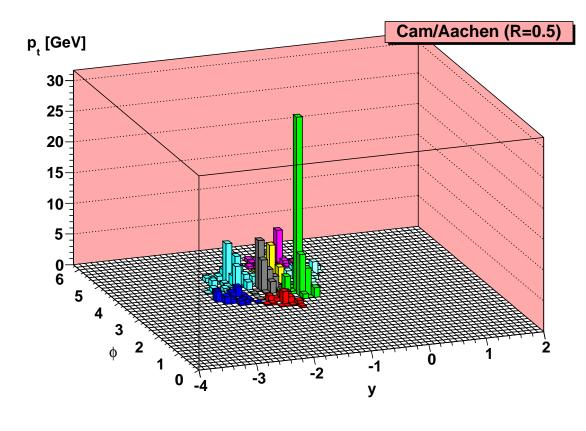
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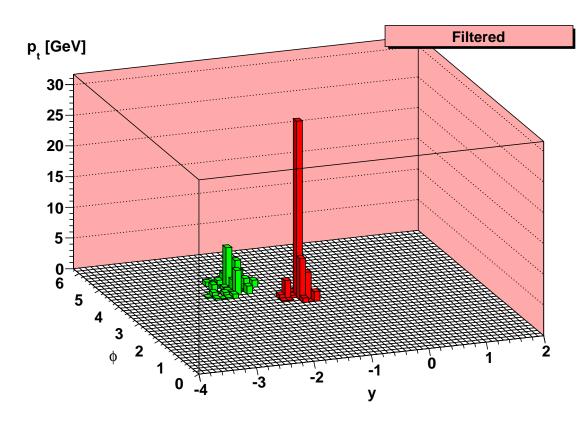
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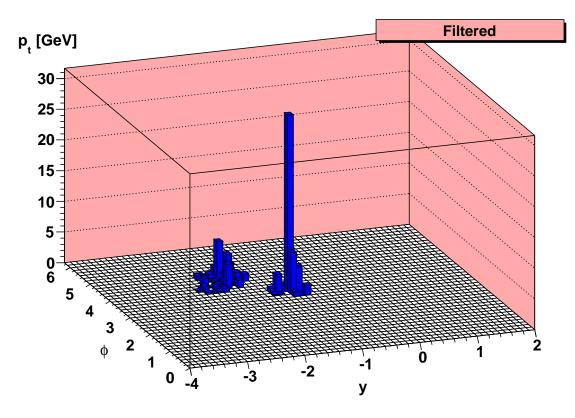
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#### Idea:

- √ keep perturb. radiation
- √ remove UE
- ullet Proven useful for boosted jet H o bar b tagging

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

Proven useful for kinematic reconstructions

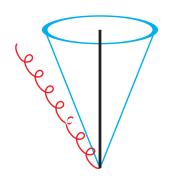
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# New idea #2: jet definition optimisation

# Optimisation: underlying idea

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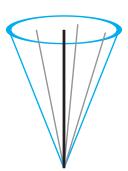
catching perturbative radiation



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)



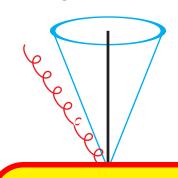
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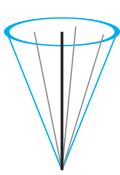
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What is the optimal jet definition (algo+R!)?



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# Optimisation: dijet reconstruction

Example process to illustrate various effects:

$$Z' \to q \bar{q} \to 2$$
 jets

- $M_{Z'}$  can be varied (between 100 GeV and 4 TeV)
- Also valid for  $H \rightarrow gg$  to study gluon jets
- Reconstruction method:
  - get the 2 hardest jets:  $j_1$  and  $j_2$
  - reconstruct the Z':  $m_{Z'} = (j_1 + j_2)^2$

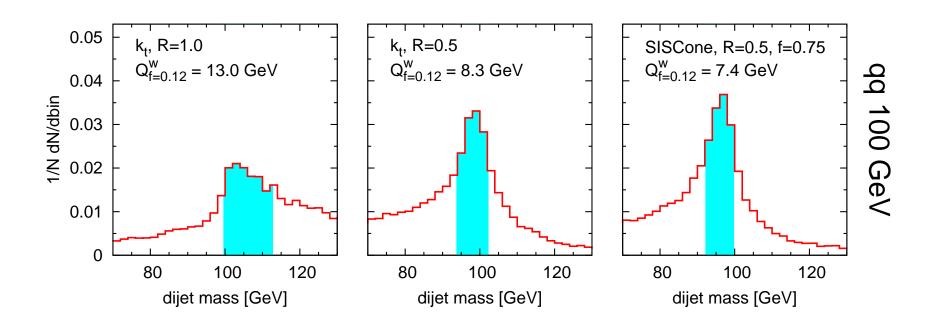
Look how the mass peak is reconstructed

• Also  $t\bar{t}$  with full hadronic decay for multijet tests

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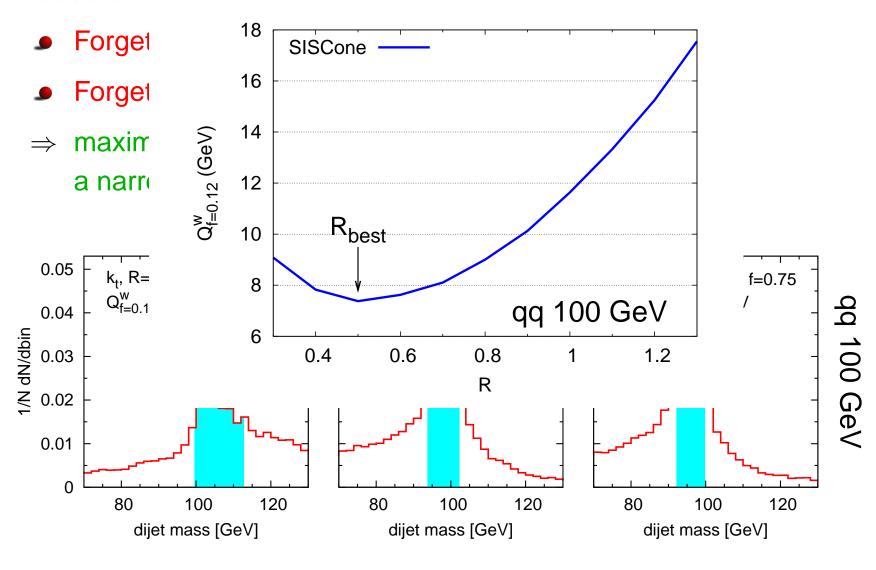
#### Measure of the jet reconstruction efficiency:

- Forget about measures related to parton-jet matching
- Forget about fits depending on the shape of the peak
- $\Rightarrow$  maximise the signal over background ratio  $(S/\sqrt{B})$  a narrower peak is better.



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# Optimisation: quality measure (2)

Assuming a constant background,

quality measure — effective luminosity ratio

$$\rho_{\mathcal{L}}(\mathrm{JD}_2/\mathrm{JD}_1) = \frac{\mathcal{L} \text{ needed with } \mathrm{JD}_2}{\mathcal{L} \text{ needed with } \mathrm{JD}_1} = \frac{Q_{f=z}^w(\mathrm{JD}_2)}{Q_{f=z}^w(\mathrm{JD}_1)}$$

e.g. 
$$\rho_{\mathcal{L}}(JD_2/JD_1) = 2$$

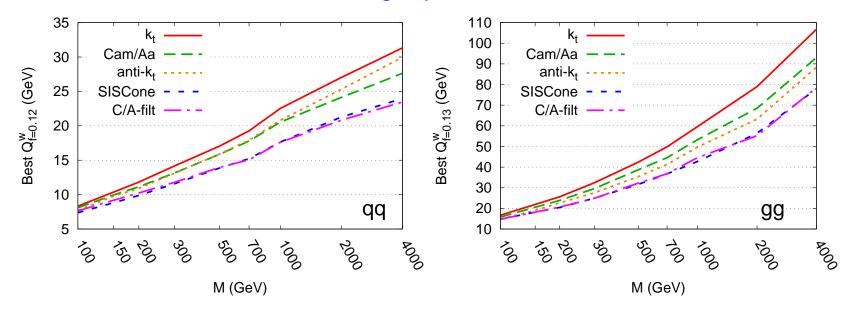
 $\Leftrightarrow \mathrm{JD}_2$  requires 2 times the integrated luminosity of  $\mathrm{JD}_1$  to achieve the same discriminative power.

Note: results cross-checked with 2 different definitions of the quality measure

## Optimisation: best definition

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

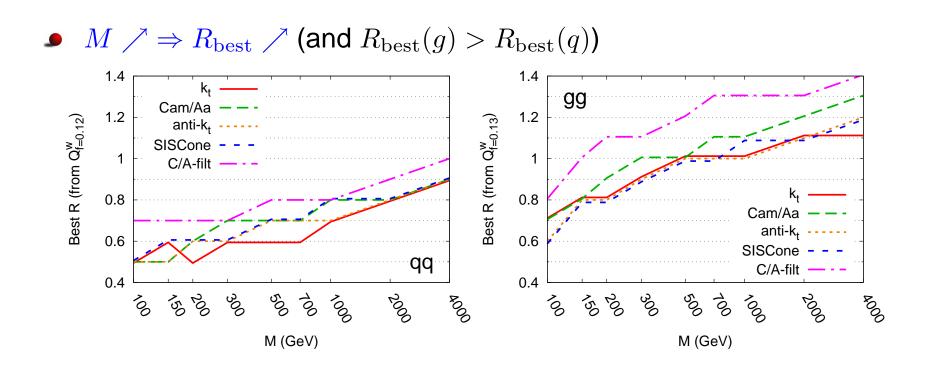
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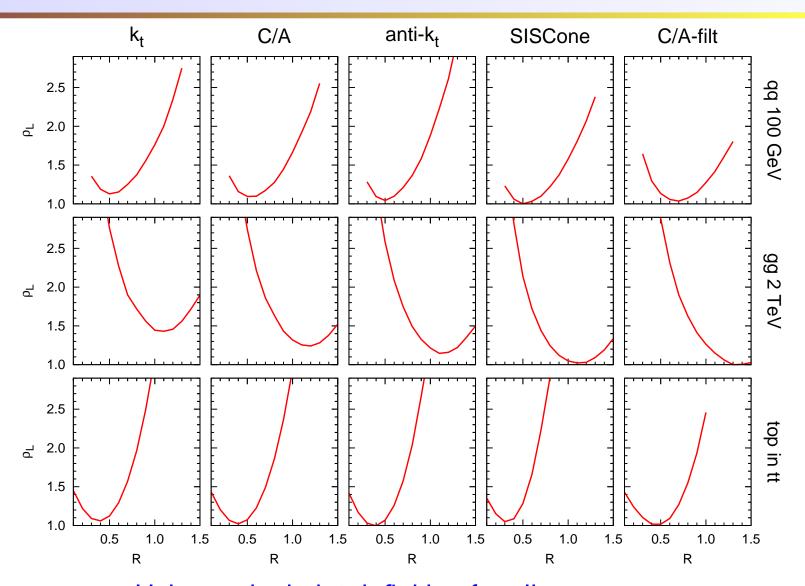
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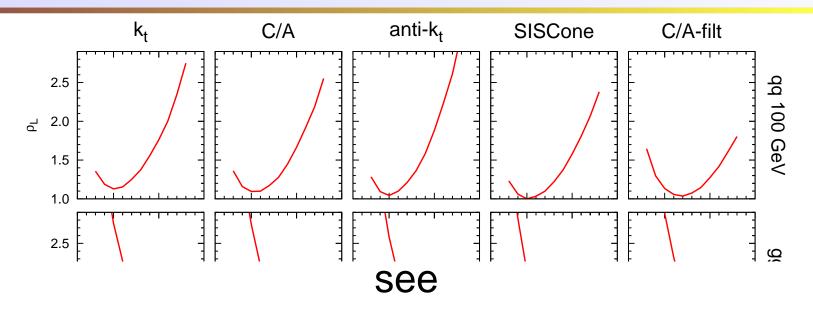


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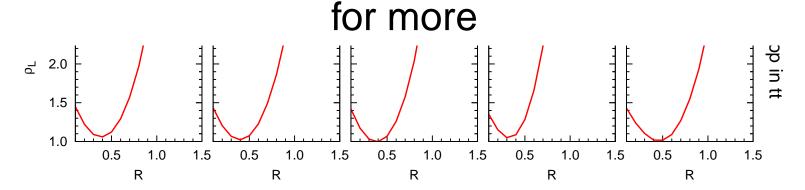


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## Optimisation: consequences



http://quality.fastjet.fr



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# New idea #3: jet area and soft background subtraction

### Jet areas

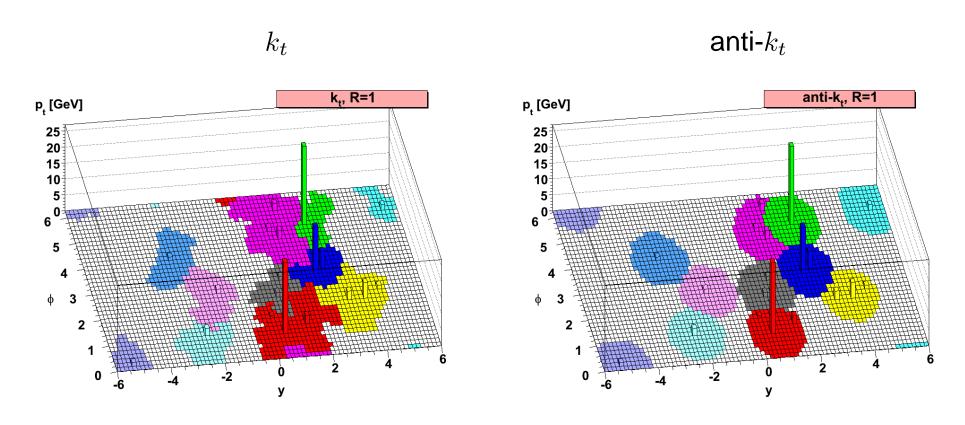
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Area  $\equiv$  region where the jet catches soft particles

- 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
- <u>Idea</u>: ghost ≈ background particle
  - $\Rightarrow$  active area  $\approx$  uniform background passive area  $\approx$  pointlike background
- Notes:
  - passive = active for large multiplicities
  - require an IR-safe algorithm!
  - generic/universal definition (e.g. independent of a calorimeter)

# 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  $\alpha_s$ )

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

• area  $\neq \pi R^2$ , area  $\neq$  const.

coefficients computable

ıble	$\mathcal{A}_0/(\pi R^2)$		d	
	passive	active	passive	active
$\overline{k_t}$	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

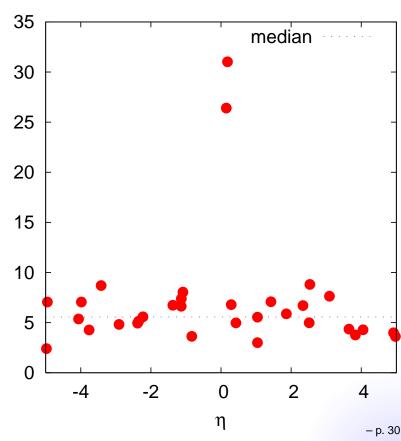
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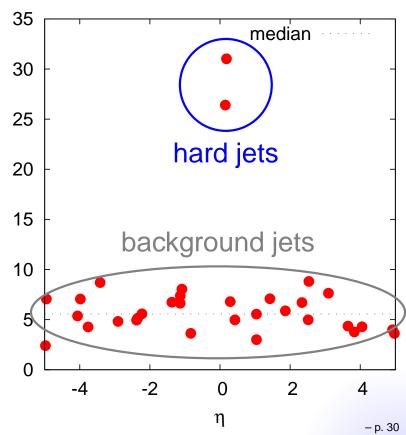


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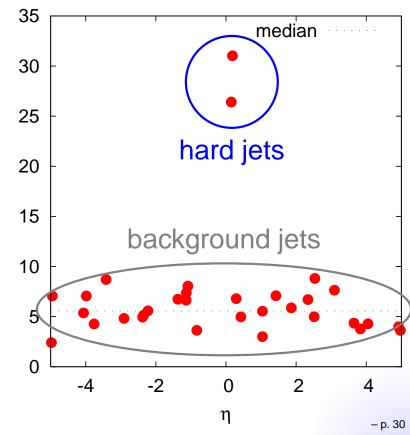
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implemented in FastJet on an event-by-event basis



# Effect on dijet reconstruction

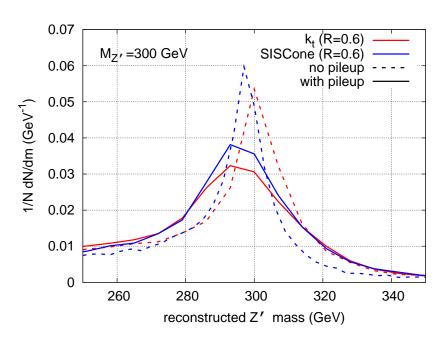
#### Pileup unsubtracted

#### 0.07 $k_t (R=0.6)$ $M_{7}$ , =300 GeV SISCone (R=0.6) 0.06 no pileup with pileup 0.05 $1/N \, dN/dm \, (GeV^{-1})$ 0.04 0.03 0.02 0.01 0 280 340 260 300 320 reconstructed Z' mass (GeV)

width = 29.5 GeV

width = 21.0 GeV

#### pileup subtracted



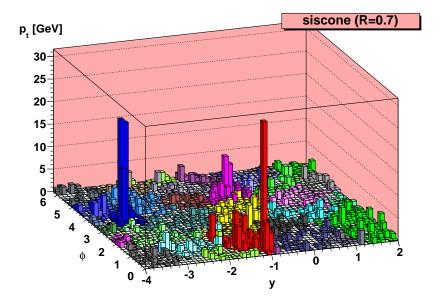
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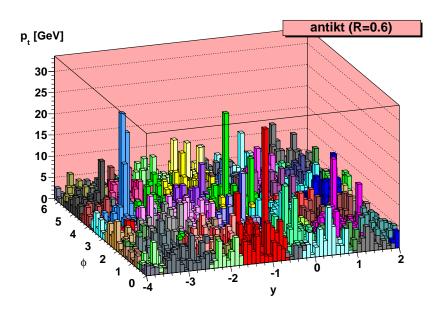
- √ position reasonnable
- √ dispersion reduced (thanks to the event-by-event approach)
- √ used by STAR for the first jet analysis in heavy-ions

# Example: application to HI collisions

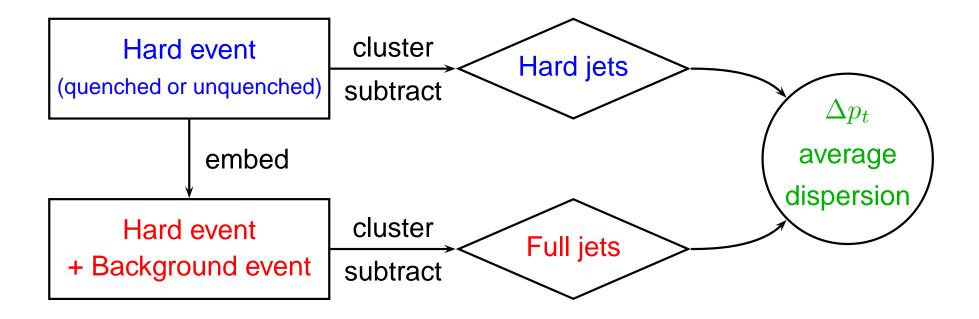




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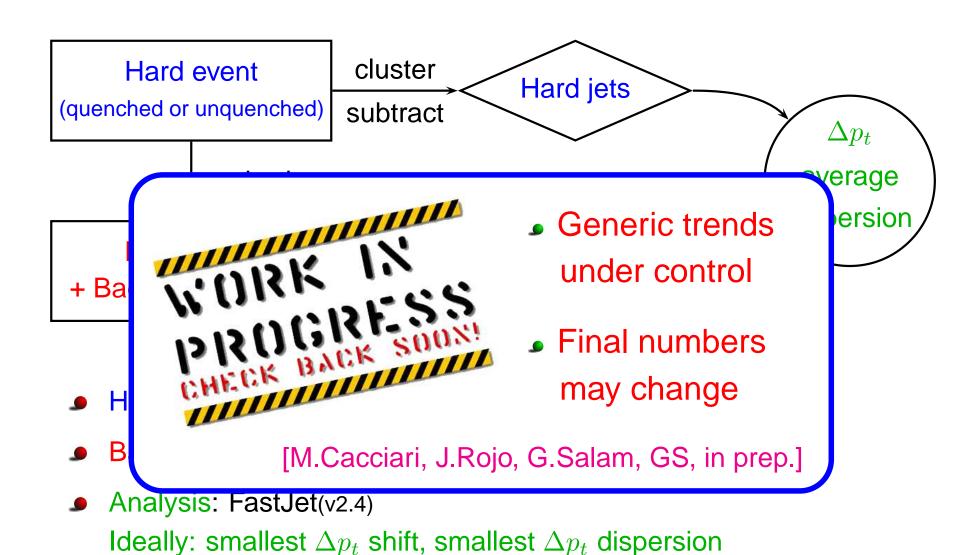


# Framework for study



- Hard event: Pythia(v6.4) or Pythia(v6.4)+PyQuen(v1.5)
- Background: Hydjet(v1.5) (others under study)
- Analysis: FastJet(v2.4)
  Ideally: smallest  $\Delta p_t$  shift, smallest  $\Delta p_t$  dispersion
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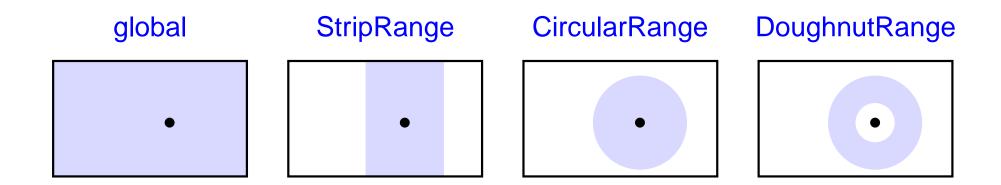
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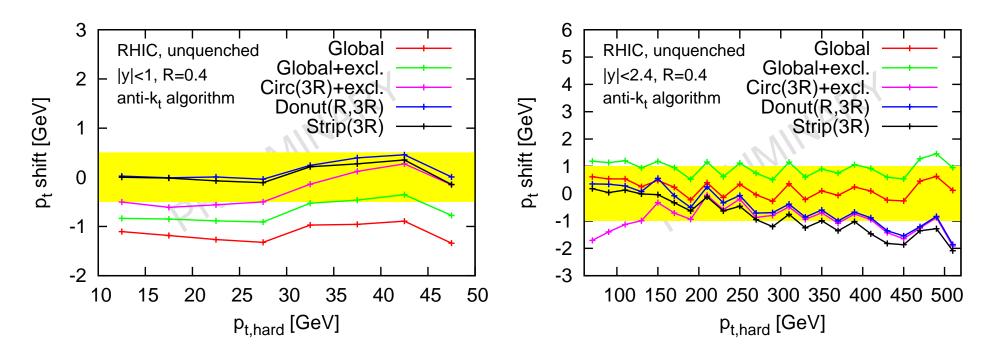
# Idea #1: use a local range to compute $ho_{ m bkg}$

- Fluctuating background
  - $\longrightarrow$  determine the background density  $ho_{\rm bkg}$  from jets in the vicinity of the jet we want to subtract



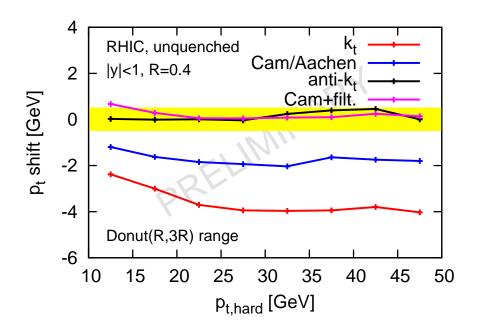
- Exclude the hardest jets from the determination of  $ho_{
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  - ⇒ reduce the bias in the computation median

## Effect of choosing a local range



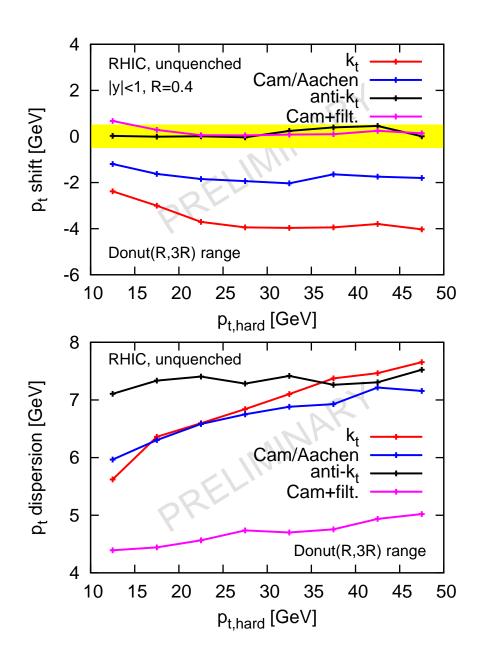
- ullet effect  $\sim$  0.5-1 GeV
- for limited acceptance, global range  $\approx$  local range
- analytic control would be nice

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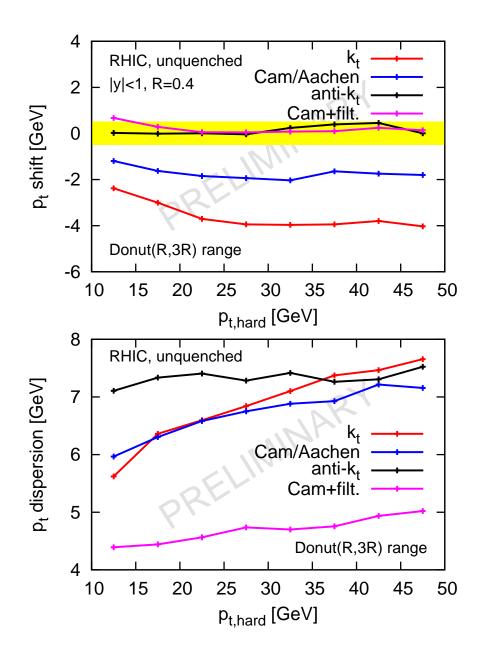
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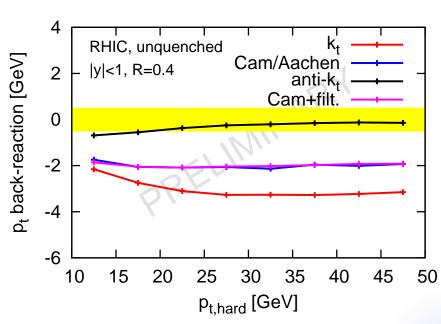


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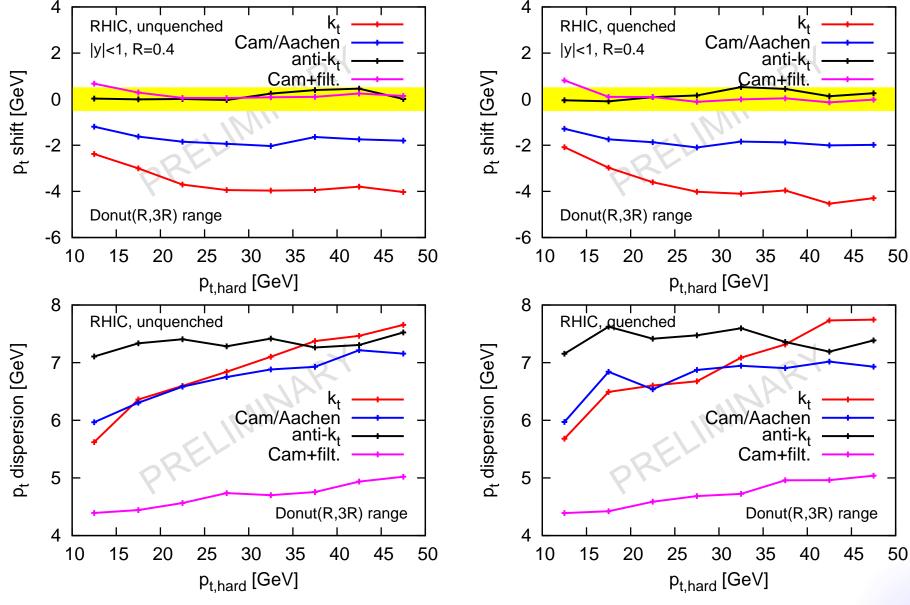


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- watch out C/A+filt. average: back-reaction compensated

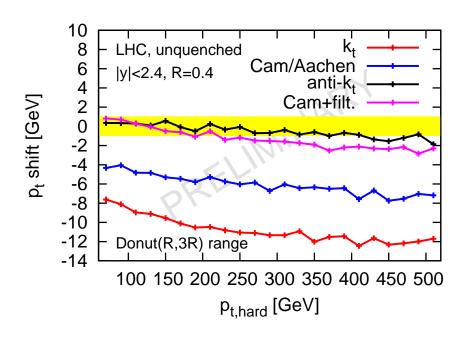


# Results: RHIC kinematics - quenching

#### Performances not much affected by quenching (need more models)

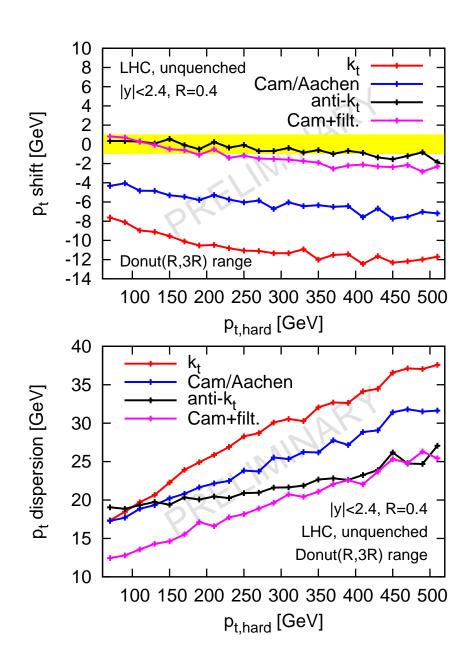


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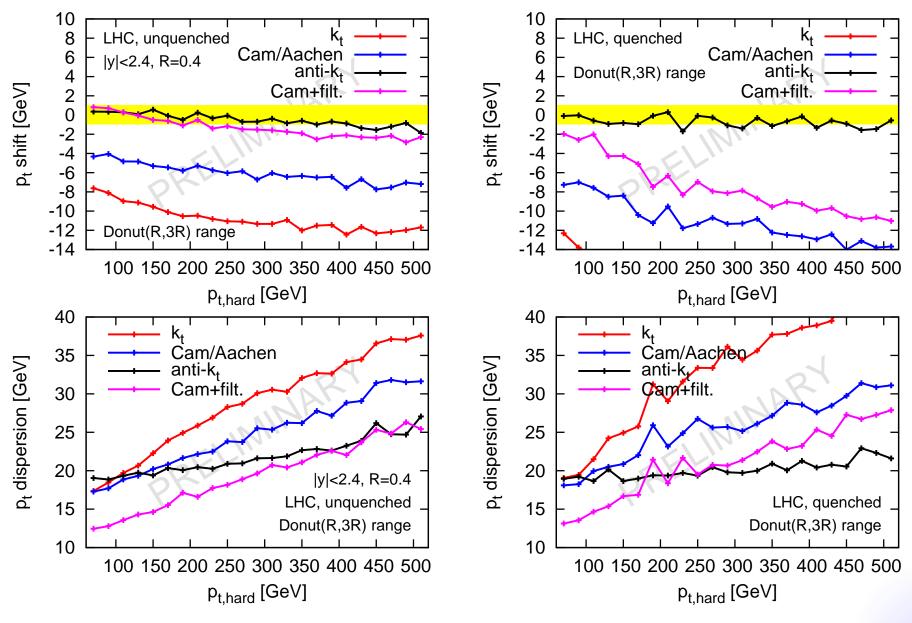


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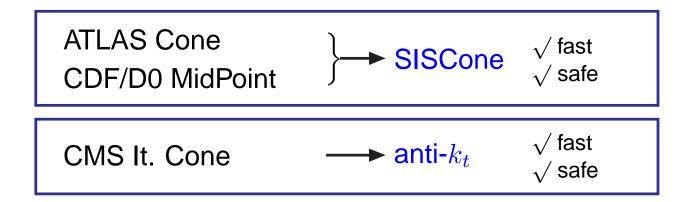
### Large quenching effect but anti- $k_t$ 's rigidity plays for it



# Summary (1)

### Message #1:

Use infrared-and-collinear-safe algorithms



Important to benefit fully from pQCD multilegs/multiloops calculations

# Summary (2)

### Message #2:

correct tools ⇒ new ideas, new concepts ⇒ new generation of jet definitions

- jet areas → pileup and HI background subtraction
- jet substructure improves reconstruction (Higgs, top, SUSY, ...)

### Message #3:

keep some flexibility in the jet definition choice

- optimisation → luminosity gains for LHC searches
- different approaches better understanding of HI collisions

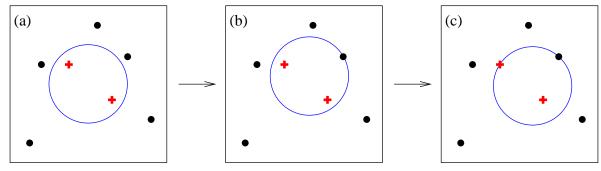
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- ... then rotated until it touches a second one
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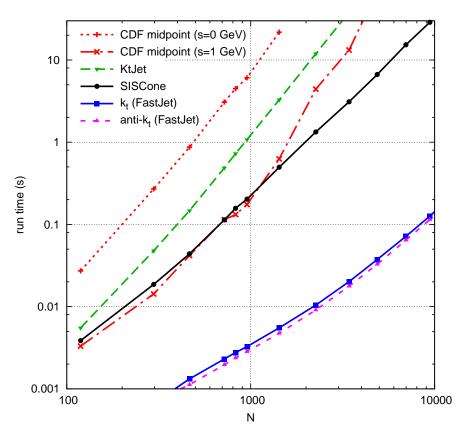
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— C++ implementation: Seedless Infrared-Safe Cone algorithm (SISCone) G.Salam, G.S., JHEP 04 (2007) 086; http://projects.hepforge.org/siscone

NB.: also available from FastJet [M.Cacciari, G.Salam, G.S.]; http://www.fastjet.fr

# Algorithm timings



Recombination algorithms very fast

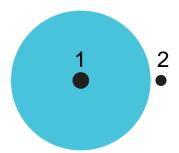
[M. Cacciari, G. Salam, 06]

 SISCone not slower than Midpoint (even with a 1 GeV seed threshold)

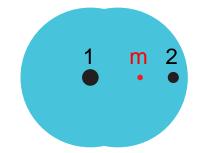
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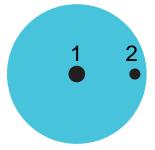


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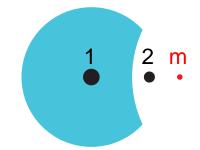


medium:  $p_t = p_{t1} + p_{t2} + p_{tm}$ 

loss:



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  - tractable analytically (similar to areas)
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