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# Expanding the ATLAS Physics reach with anomaly detection at trigger level

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# Introduction

mass →	$\approx 2.3 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$\approx 1.275 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	$\approx 173.07 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	0	$\approx 126 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
charge →	$2/3$	$2/3$	$2/3$	0	0
spin →	$1/2$	$1/2$	$1/2$	1	0
	<b>u</b> up	<b>c</b> charm	<b>t</b> top	<b>g</b> gluon	<b>H</b> Higgs boson
<b>QUARKS</b>	$\approx 4.8 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$\approx 95 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$\approx 4.18 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	0	
	$-1/3$	$-1/3$	$-1/3$	0	
	$1/2$	$1/2$	$1/2$	1	
	<b>d</b> down	<b>s</b> strange	<b>b</b> bottom	<b><math>\gamma</math></b> photon	
	$0.511 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$105.7 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$1.777 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	$91.2 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	
	-1	-1	-1	0	
	$1/2$	$1/2$	$1/2$	1	
	<b>e</b> electron	<b><math>\mu</math></b> muon	<b><math>\tau</math></b> tau	<b>Z</b> Z boson	
<b>LEPTONS</b>	$< 2.2 \text{ eV}/c^2$	$< 0.17 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$< 15.5 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$80.4 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	
	0	0	0	$\pm 1$	
	$1/2$	$1/2$	$1/2$	1	
	<b><math>\nu_e</math></b> electron neutrino	<b><math>\nu_\mu</math></b> muon neutrino	<b><math>\nu_\tau</math></b> tau neutrino	<b>W</b> W boson	
					<b>GAUGE BOSONS</b>

**Standard Model:** Remarkably successful, yet incomplete theory



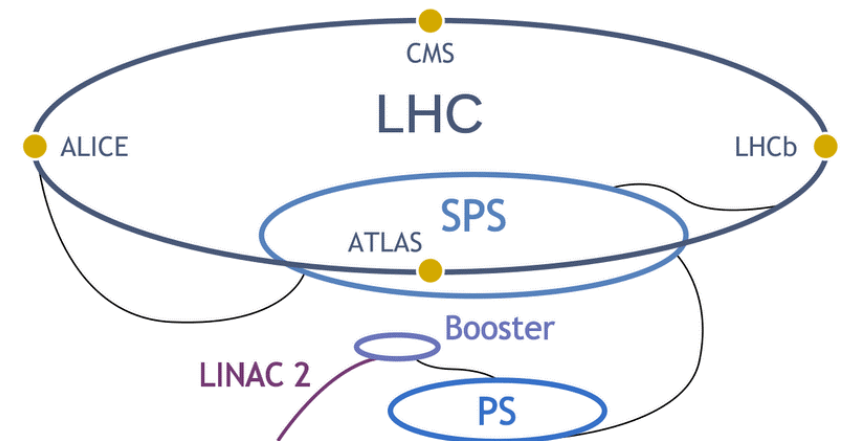
**Anomaly Detection:** Model independent approach to the detection of beyond the Standard Model (BSM) physics.

→ Selecting events that differ from the background

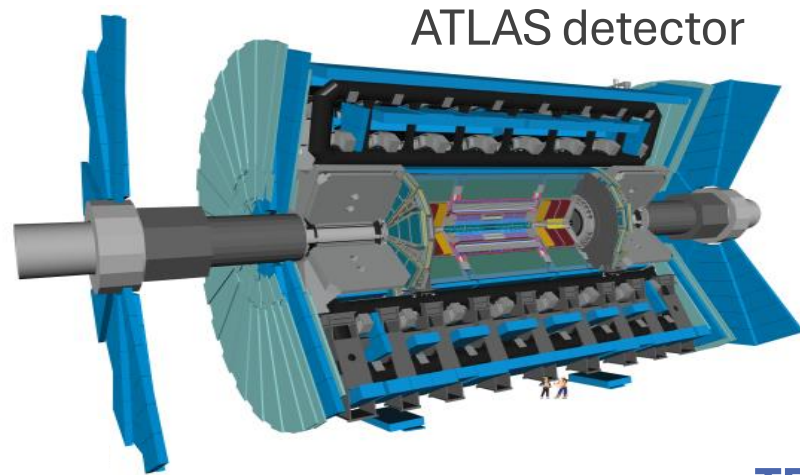
→ Machine learning methods can be employed

## Large Hadron Collider (LHC)

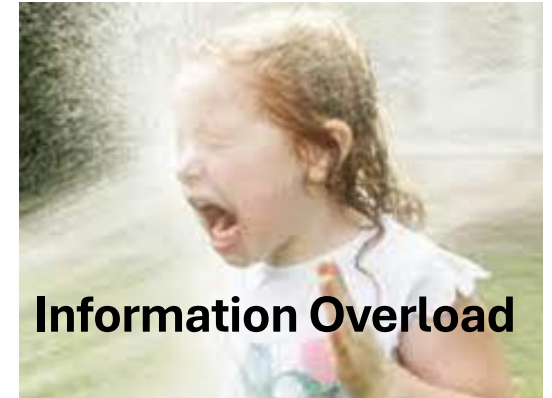
→ Two general purpose detectors: **ATLAS** and **CMS**



# ATLAS Trigger System



Collision rate: 40MHz  
(one bunch crossing  
every 25 ns)



## TRIGGER SYSTEM

**Level 1 (L1) Trigger**

- Hardware based
- Uses reduced-granularity information from the calorimeters and the muon system



**High Level Trigger (HLT)**

- Reconstruction algorithms with higher levels of detail
- Trigger menu: list of chains applying specific selections

Can we use anomaly detection at trigger level to select “anomalous” and potentially signal-like events?

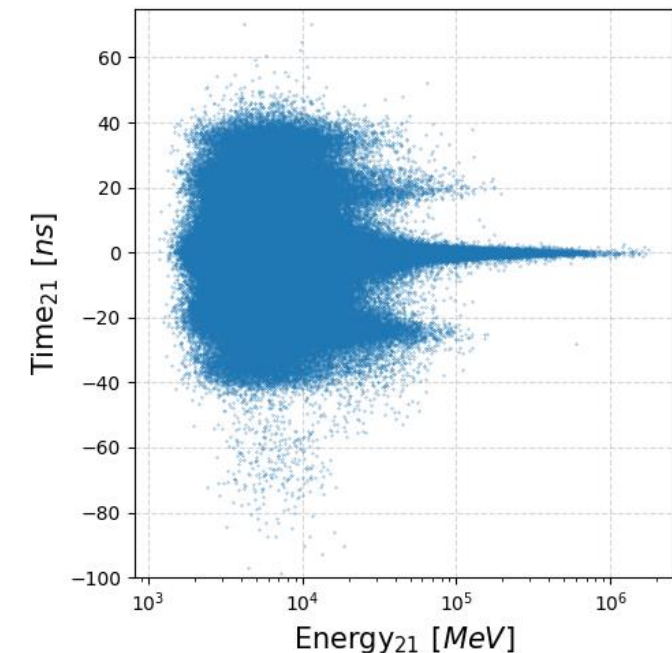
# Datasets

**Two datasets:** background (658537 events) and SM signal of a di-Higgs production  $HH \rightarrow bbbb$  (99720 events)

- For each event, the first and second leading  $p_T$  jets were used:
  - Three variables considered: jets  $p_T$  and  $|\eta_1 - \eta_2|$
- Each jet comprises several **constituents**: clusters of cells in the calorimeter where the incoming particles deposit their energy.
  - Two leading  $p_T$  constituents were considered;
  - The variables used were:  $p_T$ , nCells, time,  $d\eta$ ,  $d\phi$  and  $dr$ .

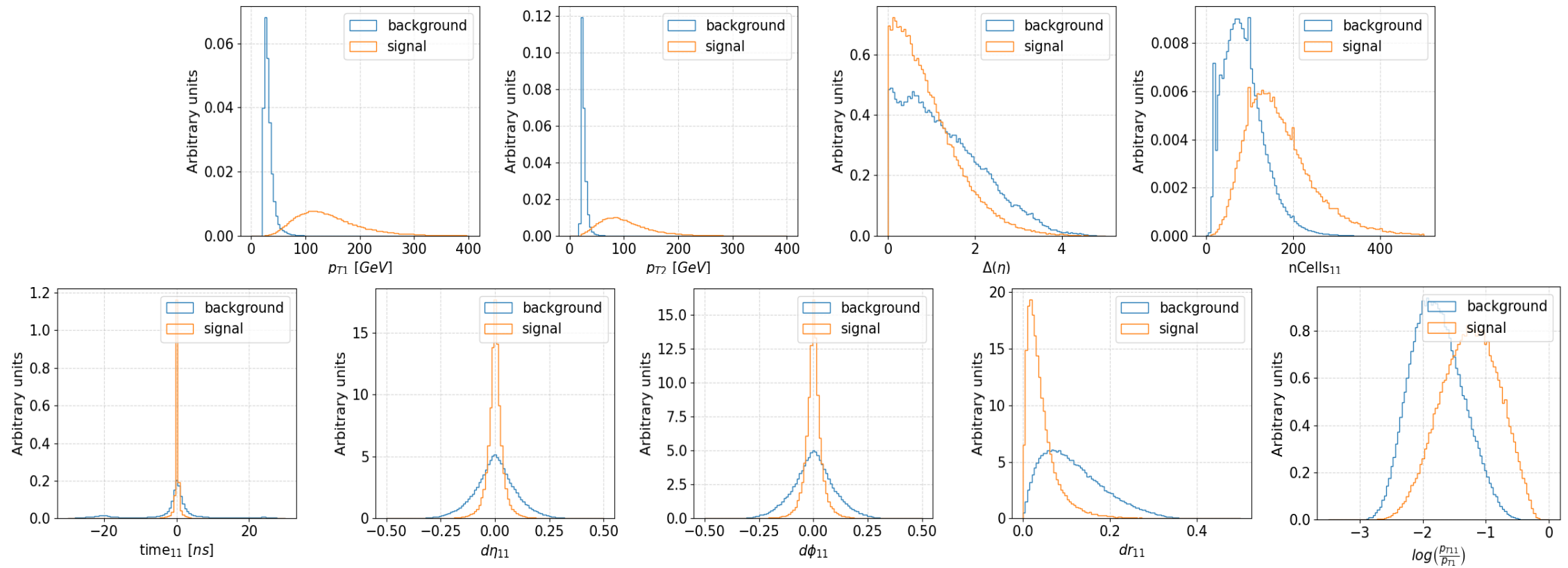
The background corresponds to real data!

The time and energy correlation of each cluster show the out-of-time pile-up contributions from the previous and next bunch crossings.



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Plot of the jet variables and the input variables of the leading constituents of the leading jets

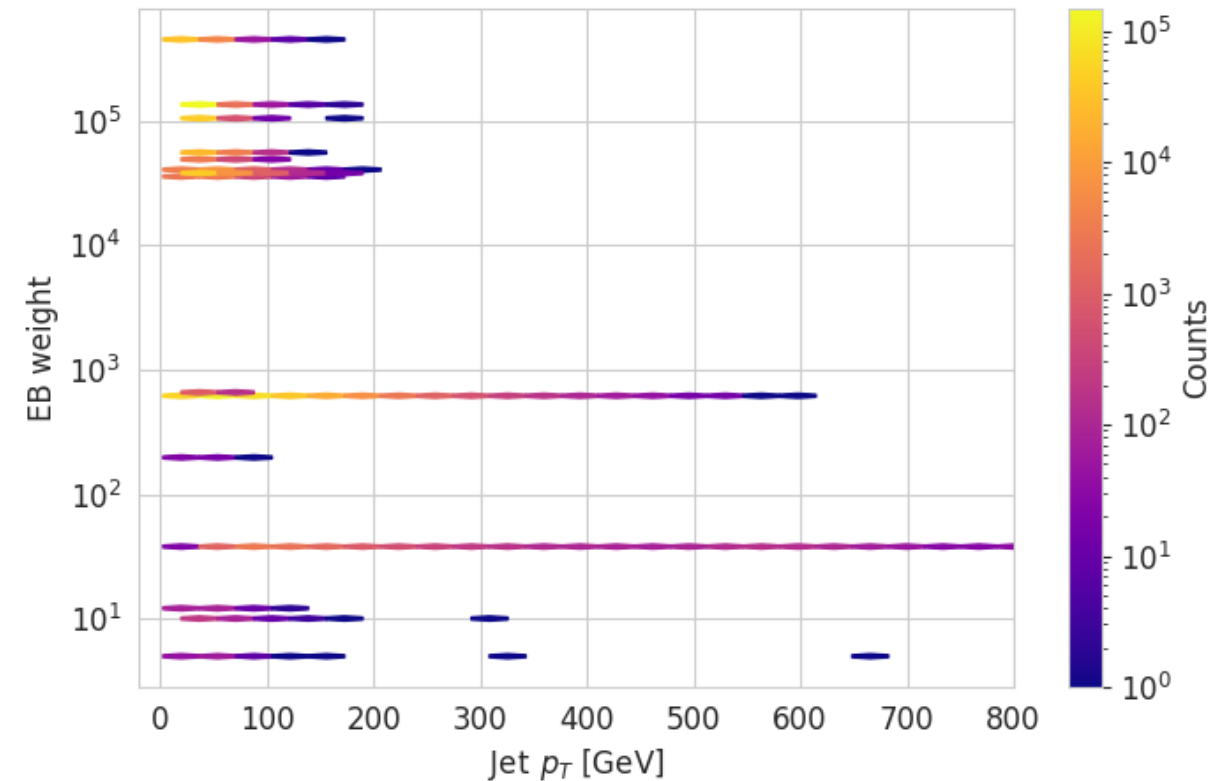
# Enhanced Bias Mechanism

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## EB weights

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- Higher for low  $p_T$  jets;
- Can be added to the training of our model.



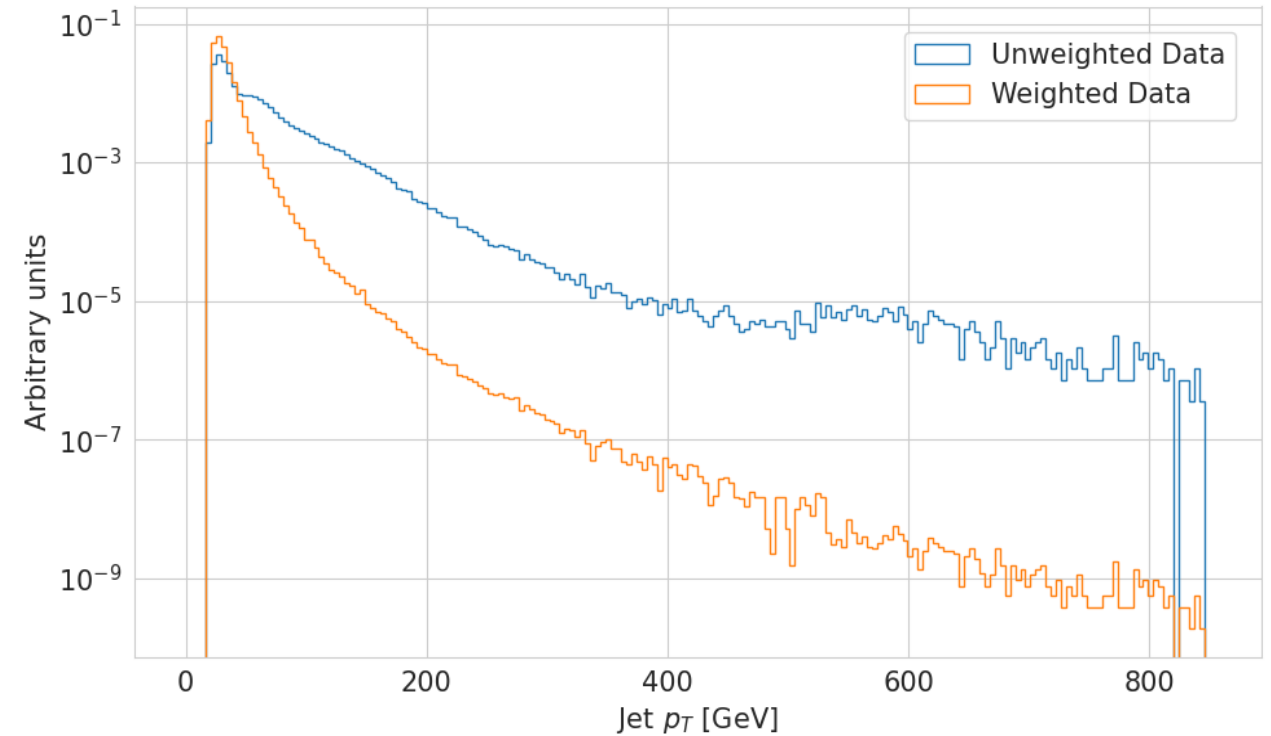
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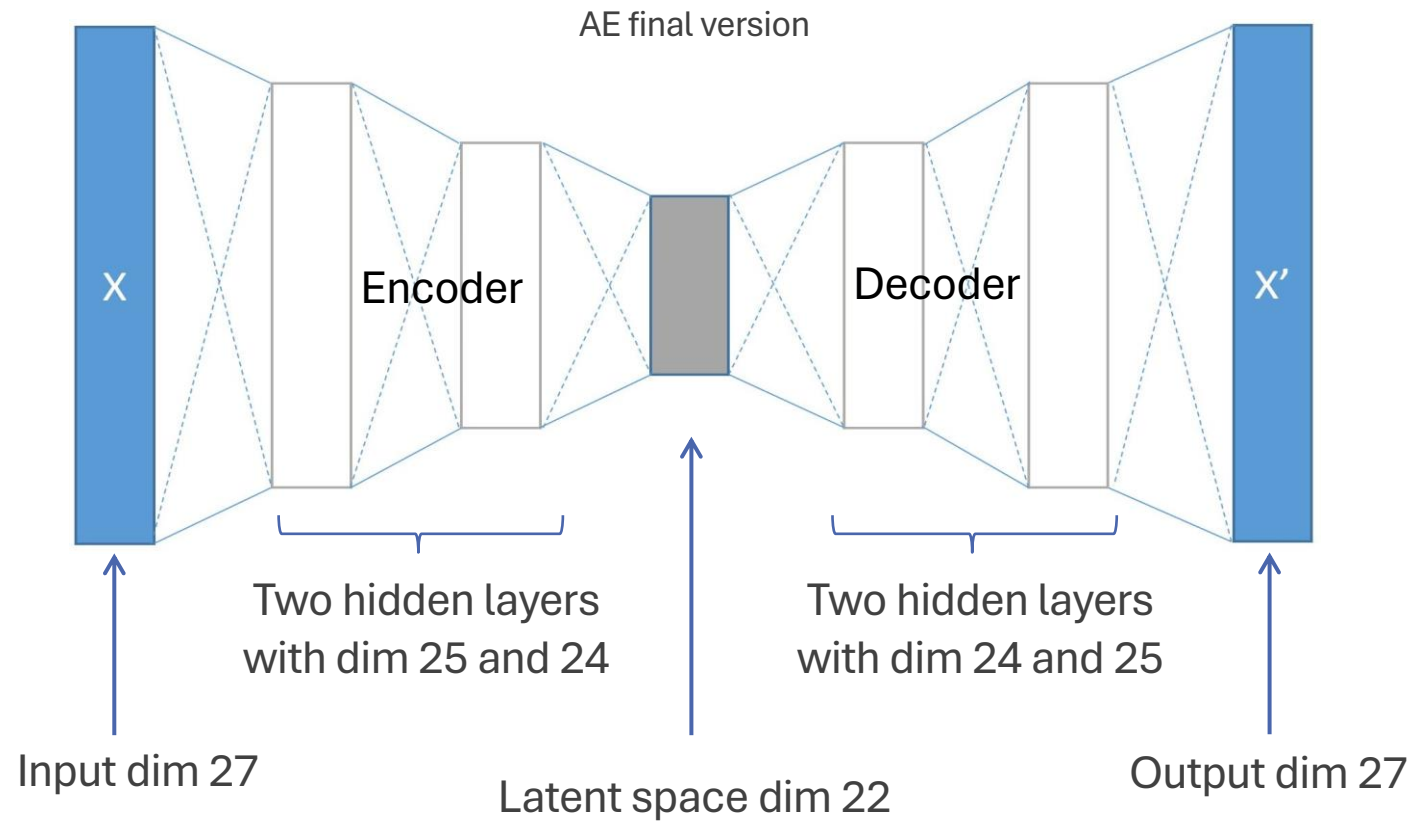
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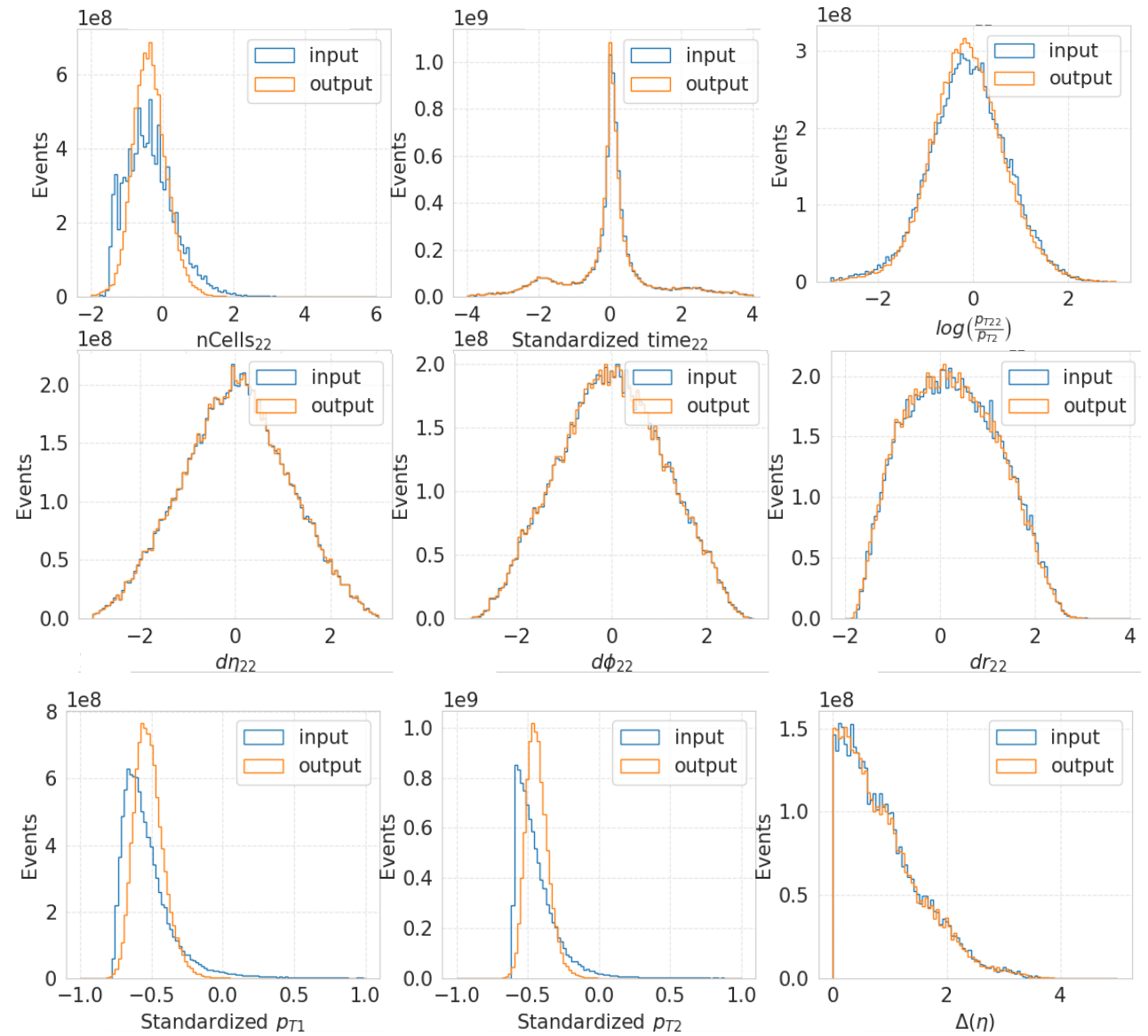
- **Standardization** of input data
- **EB weights** added during training
- Choice of **input features**:

$p_{T22} \rightarrow \log\left(\frac{p_{T22}}{p_{T2}}\right)$  Improved the AE performance

$p_{T1}, p_{T2} \rightarrow \log\left(\frac{p_{T1}}{p_{T2}}\right)$  Did not improve the AE performance

- **AE architecture** (hidden layers, latent space dimension, training hyperparameters).

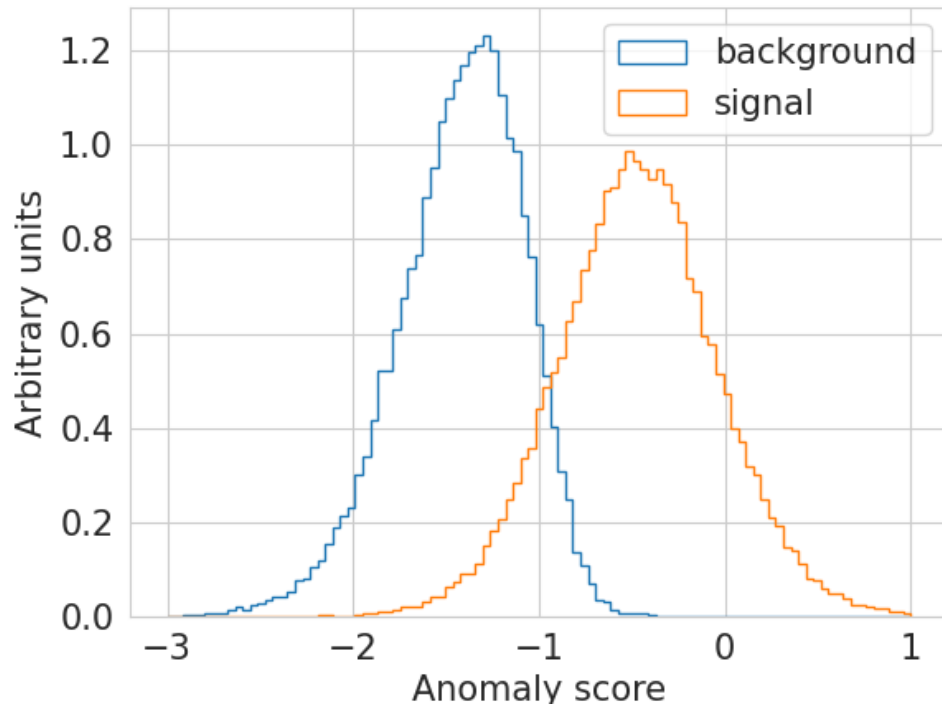
Several different architectures were tested, but the reconstruction of some variables can still be optimized.



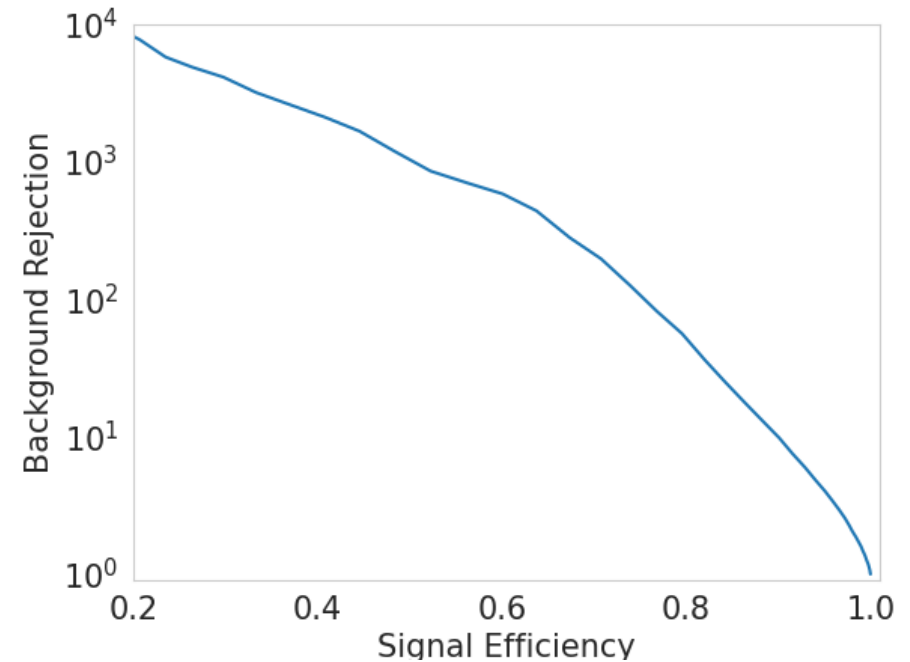
# Reconstruction error and ROC curve

**Unsupervised learning:** the anomaly score is obtained using the mean squared error of each event, mse

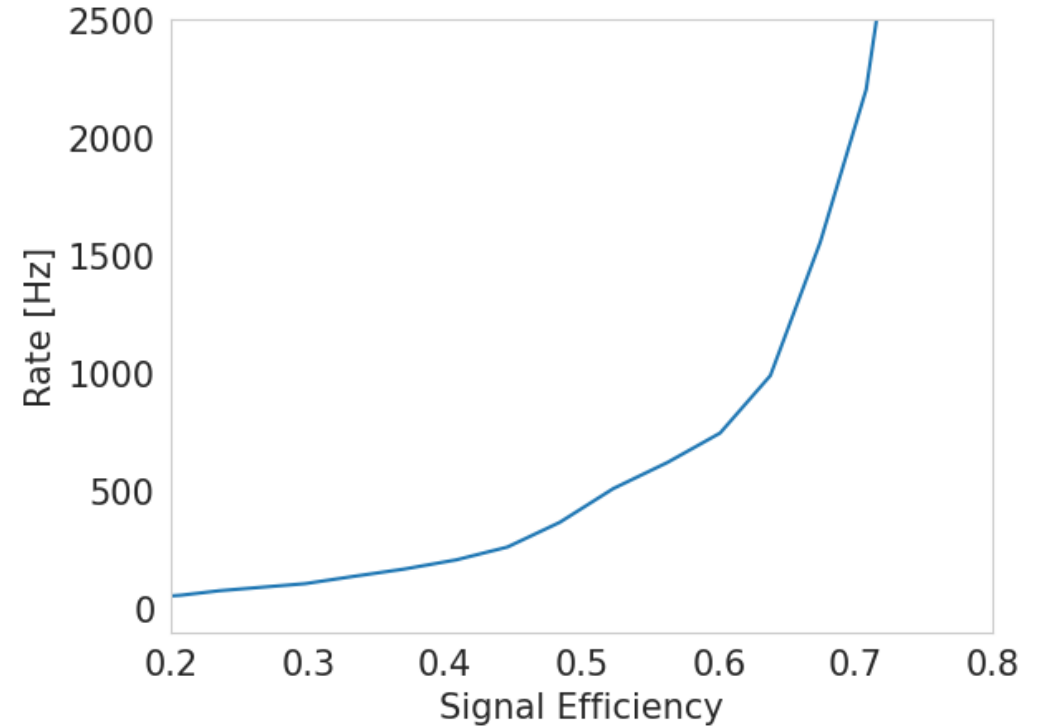
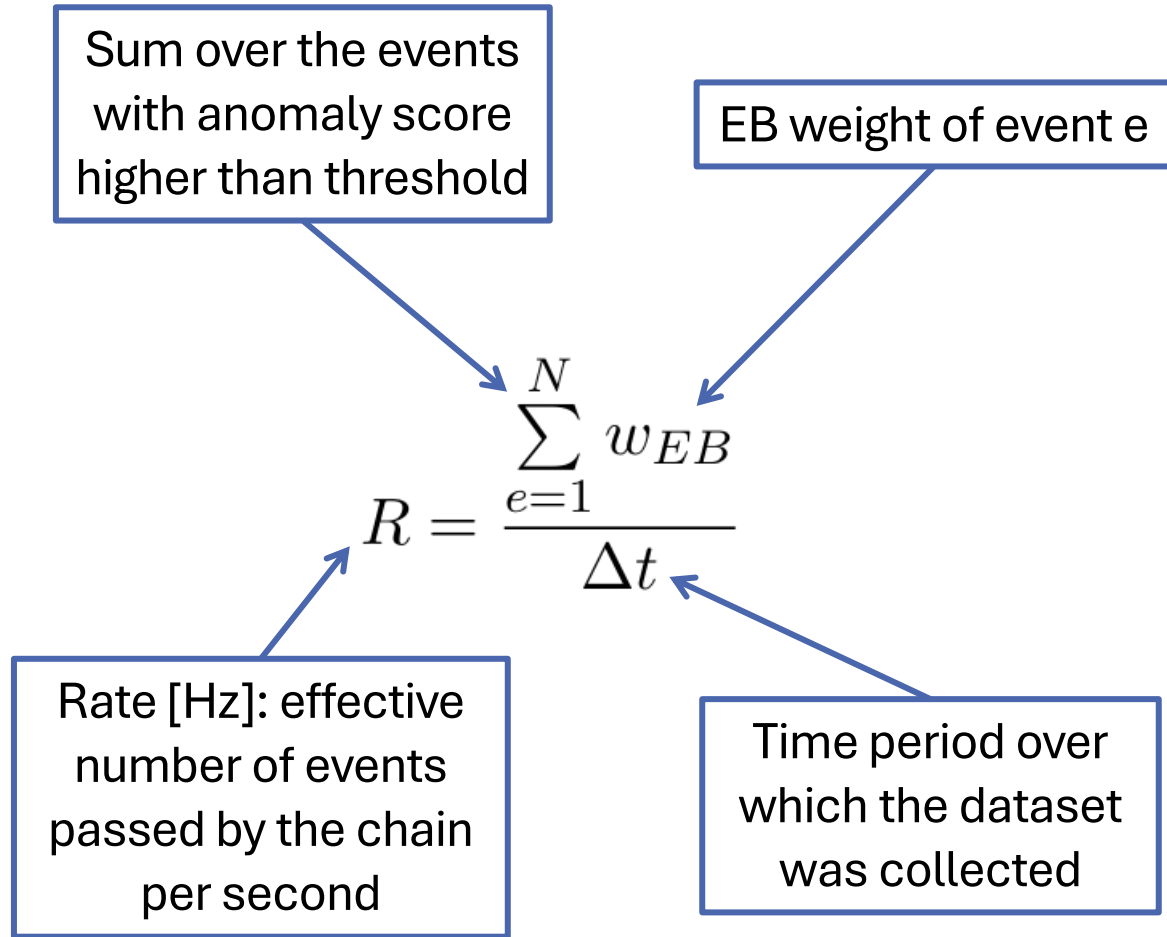
$$\log_{10}(mse)$$



**ROC curve:** plot of the background rejection against the signal efficiency at various thresholds settings.



# Background Rate Distribution



The background rate distribution, along with dynamical restrictions of the operations and trigger menu, sets the threshold for the anomaly score.

# Conclusion

- Developed AE model using low-level input variables that are readily available at HLT;
- This work follows from previous work using track-based variables with considerable CPU cost but better performance.

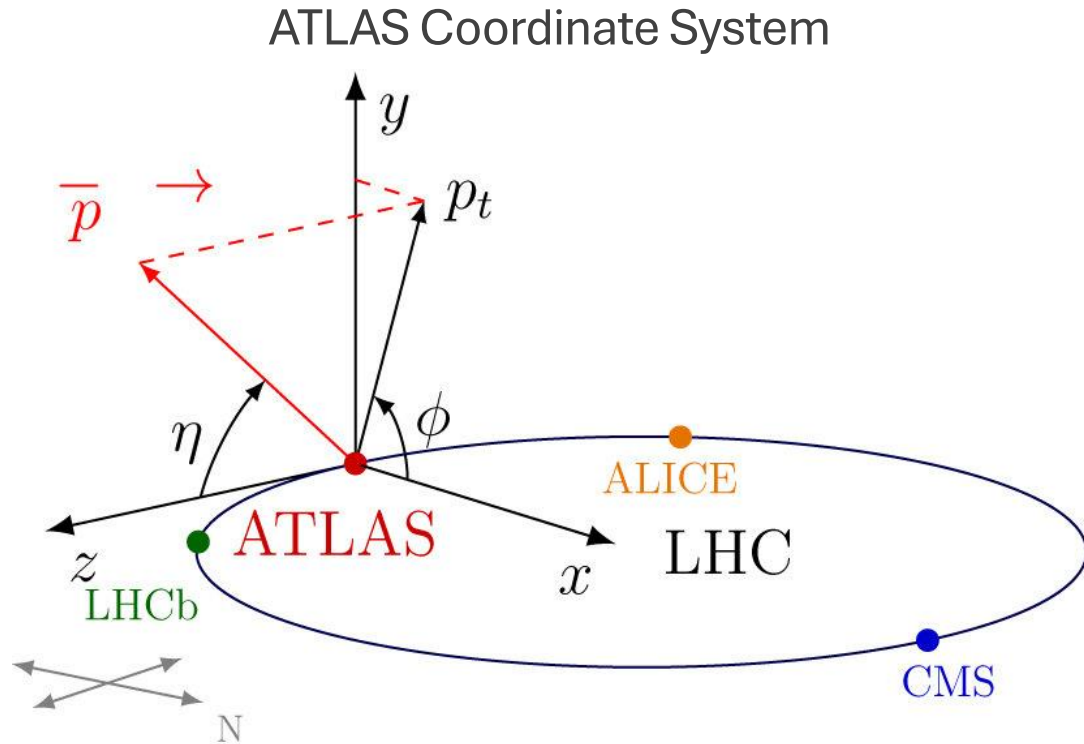
## Future directions

- 1) EB datasets reflect the L1 configuration and LHC beam parameters at the time they are taken. In this work, an EB dataset from 2022 was considered.
  - The performance of the model could also be evaluated by considering other EB datasets.
- 2) Explore other architectures (deep sets, SVDD models) where the data from all the constituents could be used.

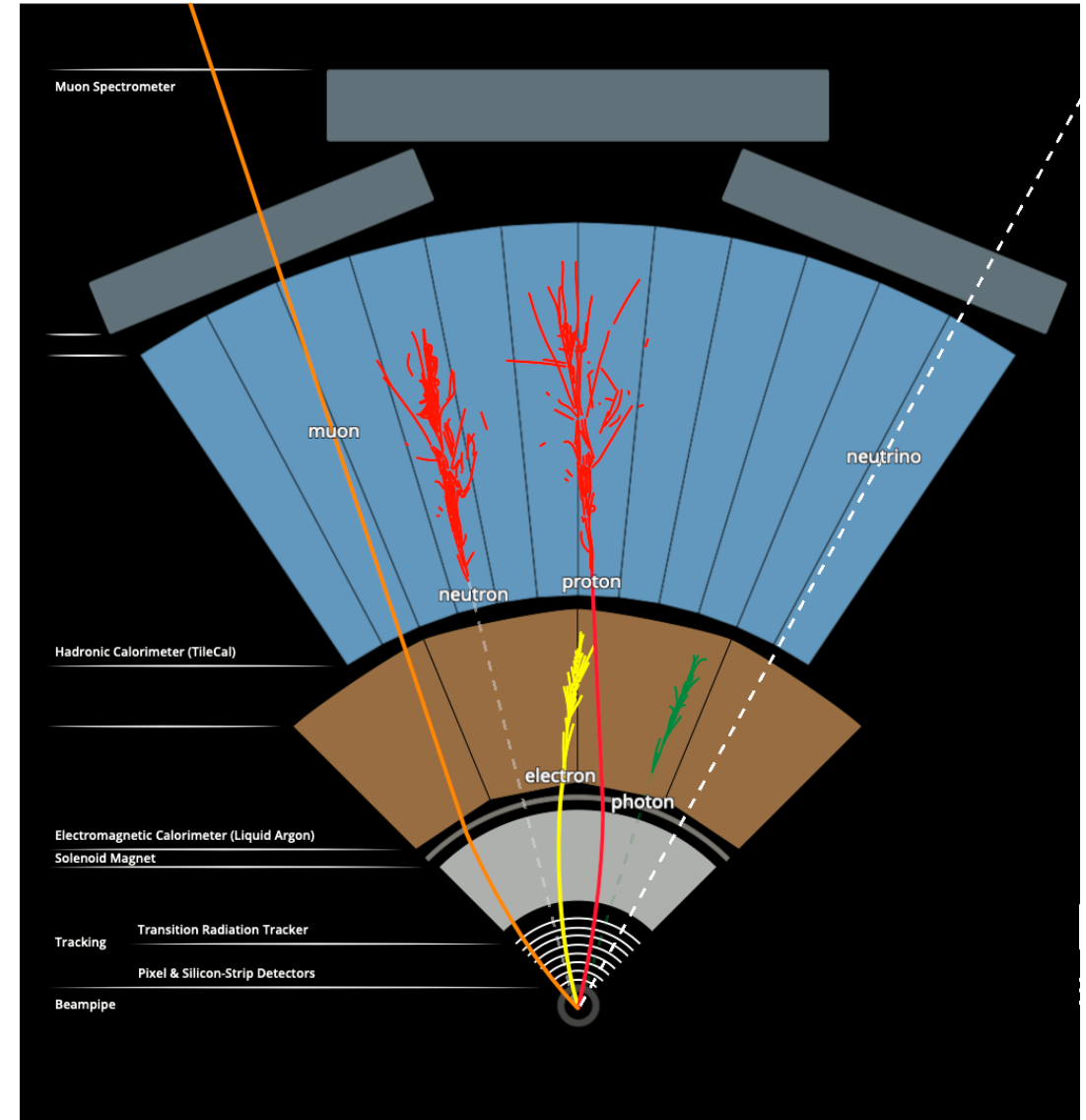
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## Backup Slides

# ATLAS detector



$$\eta = -\ln \tan\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$$

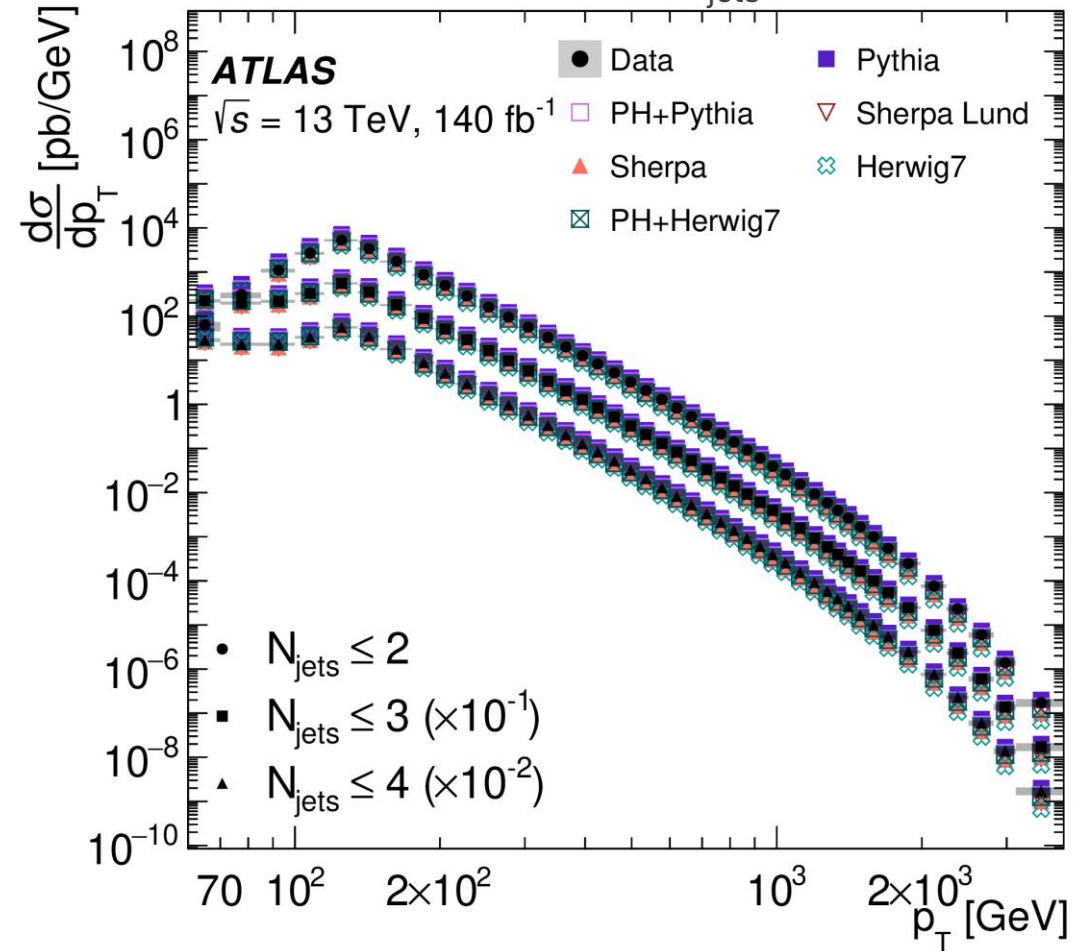


# EB weights

EB weight calculation

$$\frac{1}{w_{EB}} = 1 - \prod_{j=1}^{EB \text{ chains}} \left( 1 - \frac{r_{je}}{p_j} \right)$$

Differential cross-section as a function of  $p_T^{\text{Nincl}}$  in inclusive bins of  $N_{\text{jets}}$



# Choice of input variables

