

## Forward jet physics at ATLAS

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## Introduction

### ATLAS

- **ATLAS** (A Toroidal LHC ApparatuS) is a general purpose detector at the **LHC** with calorimeters spanning  $|\eta| < 4.9$  in pseudo-rapidity
- A variety of different **calorimeter** technologies are used in different regions of the detector
- Reconstructing physics objects (**jets**) which are coherent across the whole detector is non-trivial!
- The studies discussed here used  $37\text{pb}^{-1}$  of 7 TeV data collected in March-December 2010
- The jets used in these studies are constructed from clusters of calorimeter cells using the **Anti- $k_t$  algorithm**

## Jet energy variations

### Jet energy response

- **Jet energy response** is dependent on  $\eta$  due to changing calorimeter technology, and differing amounts of dead material.
- Calibration corrections need to be applied to ensure **uniform** calorimeter response to jets
- These corrections need to be validated **in-situ** given the complex calorimeter geometry and dead material distribution

### Dijet balancing

- In a pure dijet event we expect  $\Delta\phi = \pi$  and that the two jets be balanced in  $p_T$ .
- Requiring one jet to be in a central reference region ( $0.1 < |\eta| < 0.6$ ), we use  $p_T$  **balance** to study the relative response of the other jet.
- The correction factor ( $1/c$ ), required to bring the **probe** jet to the same scale as the **reference** jet is given by

$$\mathcal{A} = \frac{p_T^{\text{probe}} - p_T^{\text{ref}}}{p_T^{\text{avg}}} \quad \frac{p_T^{\text{probe}}}{p_T^{\text{ref}}} = \frac{2 + \mathcal{A}}{2 - \mathcal{A}} = 1/c \quad (1)$$

## $\eta$ intercalibration comparisons

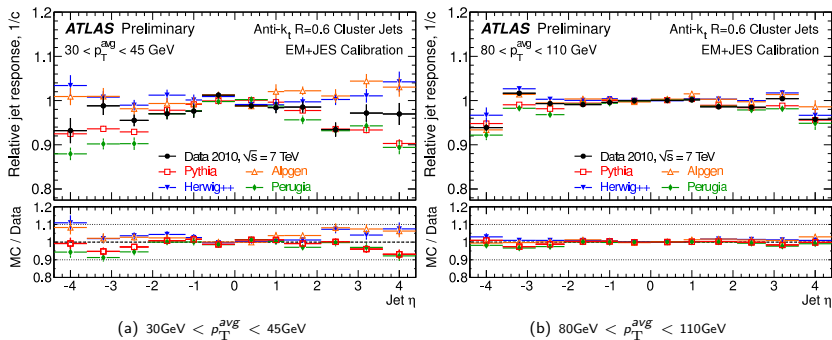


Figure 1: Calibration correction factors for two different  $p_T^{\text{avg}}$  ranges

- Large spread of MC predictions in forward region at low  $p_T$
- Reflects a real uncertainty in the truth distributions (not a detector effect).

## Jet response uncertainty

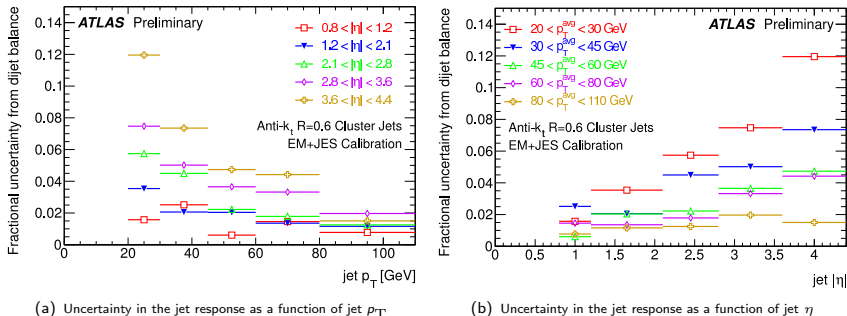


Figure 2: Uncertainty in the jet response as a function of jet  $\eta$  and  $p_T$

- The dijet balance has a large physics modelling uncertainty as a result of this spread
- Uncertainty calculated as RMS spread of MC about the data (accounts for our current lack of knowledge about the physics)

## Forward Inclusive Cross-section

### Background

- Jet **cross-sections** and properties are key observables in high-energy particle physics.
- Inclusive **single-jet** (and **dijet**) double differential cross-sections (as a function of  $y$  and  $p_T$ ) were measured for Anti- $k_t$   $R=0.4$  and  $R=0.6$  jets
- The central region jet cross-section ( $|y| < 2.8$ ) was one of the first published ATLAS measurements (Eur. Phys. J. C. <http://arxiv.org/abs/1009.5908>)

### Extension to the forward region

- Help constrain **low-x** PDFs
- Extend the existing cross-section analysis with the first measurements in a new kinematic regime
- Improve understanding of the forward region
- Provide access to possible **BFKL** behaviours (small- $x$  resummation)
- Information about quark structures could also show up in forward scattering

## Overall Strategy

### Event and jet selection cuts

- Event is part of a set of “good” runs in which all relevant detector components were working properly
- There must be  $\geq 1$  primary vertex reconstructed from  $\geq 5$  tracks which is consistent with the beamspot position
- Standard jet cleaning cuts are applied to remove fake jets caused by calorimeter noise or background
- Each jet is required to be in an event that passed a (jet  $y$  and  $p_T$  dependent) trigger

### Forward region

- The forward region is divided into two rapidity bins based on detector geometry
- The transition bin ( $2.8 < |y| < 3.6$ ) covers the transition between the endcap and the FCAL
- The boundaries of the forward bin ( $3.6 < |y| < 4.4$ ) ensure that any offline jets here are fully contained in the FCAL



## Trigger Strategy

Each bin in  $p_T$  and  $y$  uses triggers such that all jets in it fall on the efficiency plateau.

- Low threshold triggers were heavily prescaled with increasing machine luminosity
- Due to problems with trigger software or machine configuration, some triggers cannot be used in certain data-taking periods
- → Appropriate trigger for each bin changes with run period

### Transition bin

No trigger is fully efficient in the transition bin, but the combination of central OR forward is.

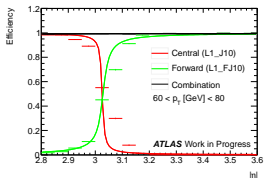


Figure 3: Central and forward trigger efficiencies

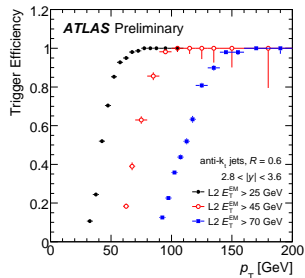


Figure 4: Trigger efficiency in the transition bin

## Inclusive single jet cross-sections

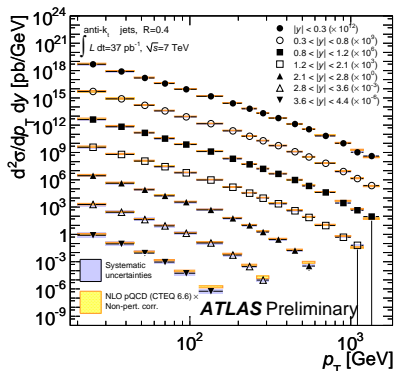
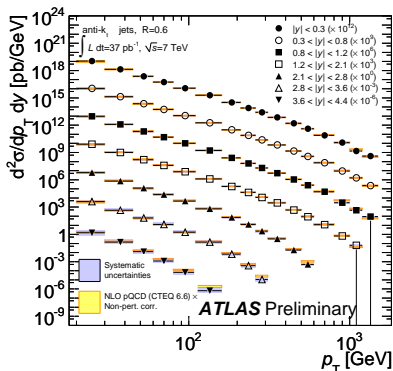
(a) Anti- $k_t$  jets ( $R=0.4$ )(b) Anti- $k_t$  jets ( $R=0.6$ )

Figure 5: Inclusive single-jet double differential cross-sections

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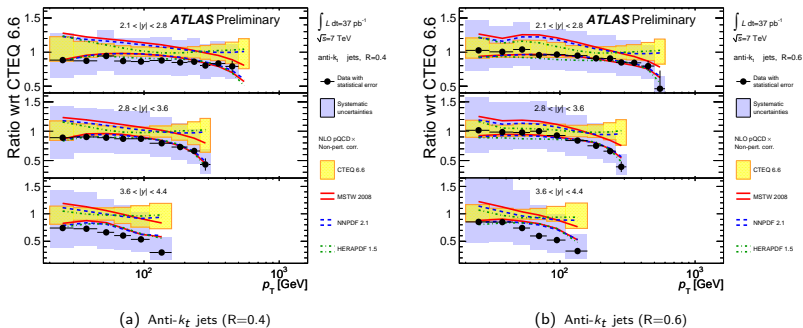


Figure 6: Inclusive single-jet double differential cross-sections - ratio to NLO pQCD

- Small differences can be seen at high jet  $p_T$  and  $|y|$
- Data and theory predictions are generally in agreement within the experimental and theoretical uncertainties.

### Jet response

- For jets with  $|\eta| < 2.8$  and  $p_T > 60$  GeV, the relative response is well understood. Data and Monte Carlo show good agreement
- For jets with lower  $p_T$  or larger  $|\eta|$ , there are significant deviations between different Monte Carlos
- There is an  $\eta$ -dependent uncertainty in the jet response due to this uncertainty in the physics modelling

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### Jet cross-section

- The use of the full 2010 ATLAS dataset allows a large, new kinematic regime to be investigated
- In particular, the **forward** region ( $2.8 < y < 4.4$ ) has never previously been explored with such precision at a hadron-hadron collider.
- Data and theory predictions generally agree to within their uncertainties.

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Inclusive jet and dijet cross-sections