

Performance of the Missing transverse energy triggers

for the ATLAS detector.

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presentation***

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- *The ATLAS experiment.*
- *ATLAS Trigger system.*
- *Overview of MET Trigger in ATLAS.*
- *2023 Data Taking*
- *Phase-1 jFEX Performance.*
- *Conclusion.*

The ATLAS experiment at the LHC

27 km

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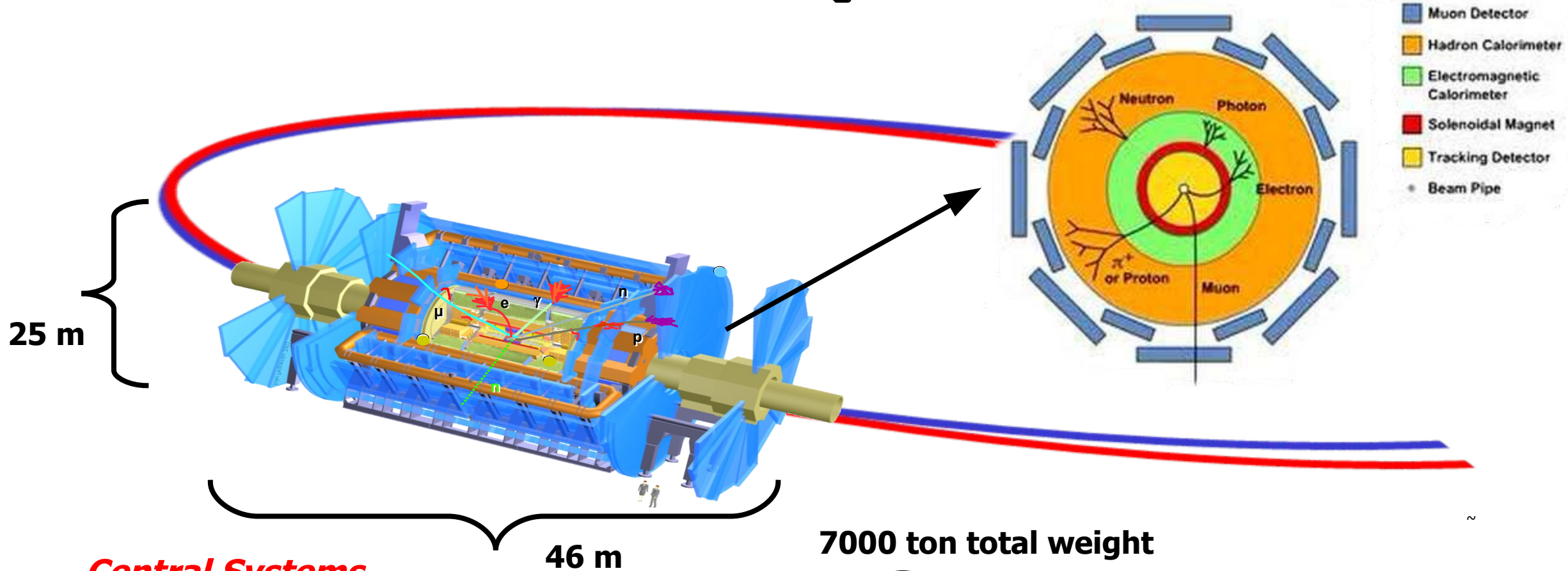


ALICE

ATLAS

LHCb

The ATLAS experiment



Central Systems

- Detector Control System (DCS)
- Detector Safety System (DSS)
 - Trigger and Data Acquisition (TDAQ)

Services

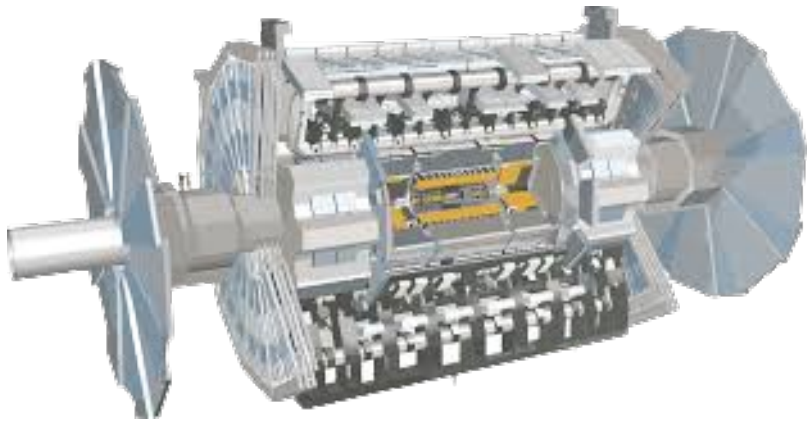
- Power, gas, cooling, cryogenics, ...

Magnets

equivalent to the Eiffel Tower



ATLAS trigger system



2-Level Trigger System

40 MHz

Level-1 Trigger (L1)

A hardware-based trigger that quickly analyzes data from the calorimeters and muon detectors.

100 kHz

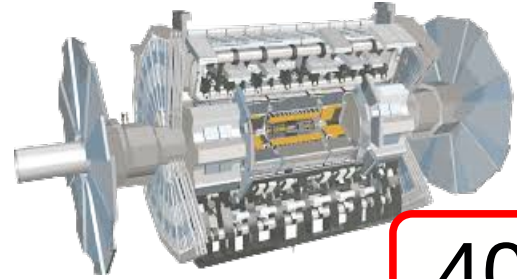
High Level Trigger (HLT)

A software-based system that performs more detailed event reconstruction using data from the full detector.

100 kHz



ATLAS trigger menu



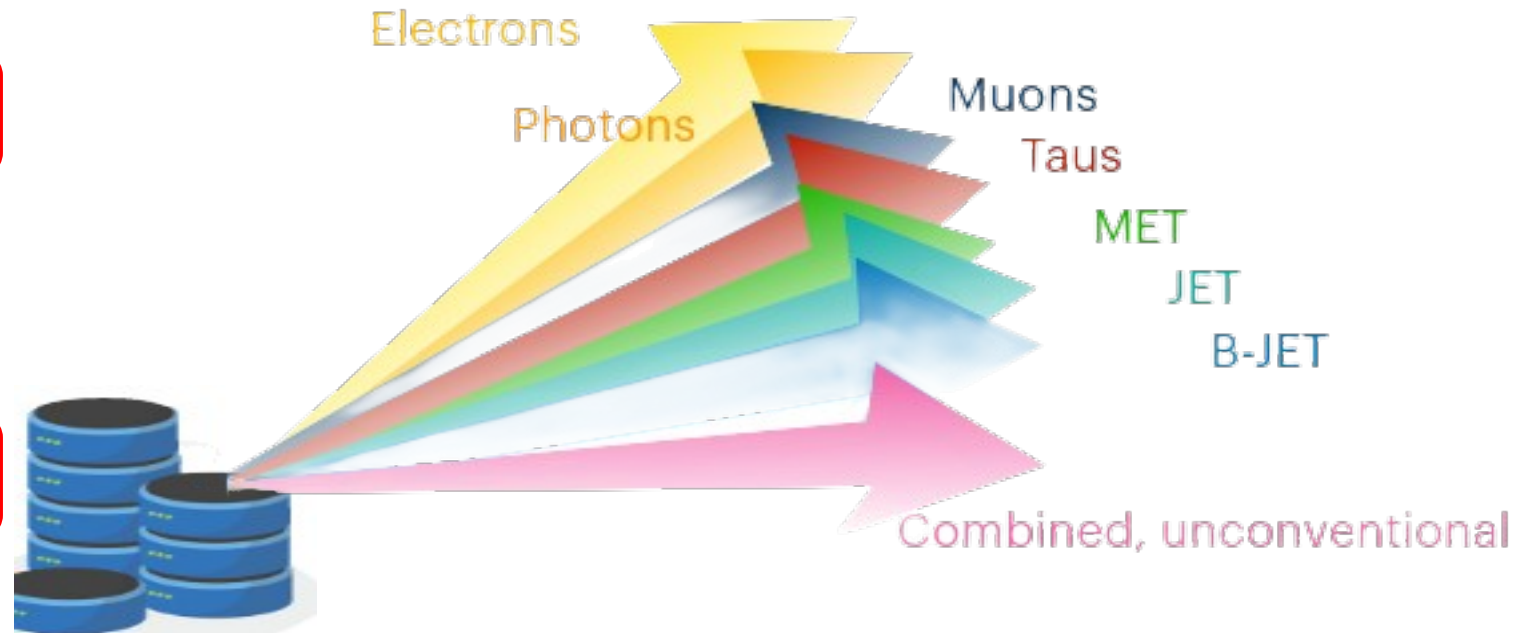
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Trigger Menu:

To select events useful for
Searches for new physics
Standard Model measurements
Offline calibrations
Trigger scale factors
Trigger performance studies

100 kHz

100 kHz

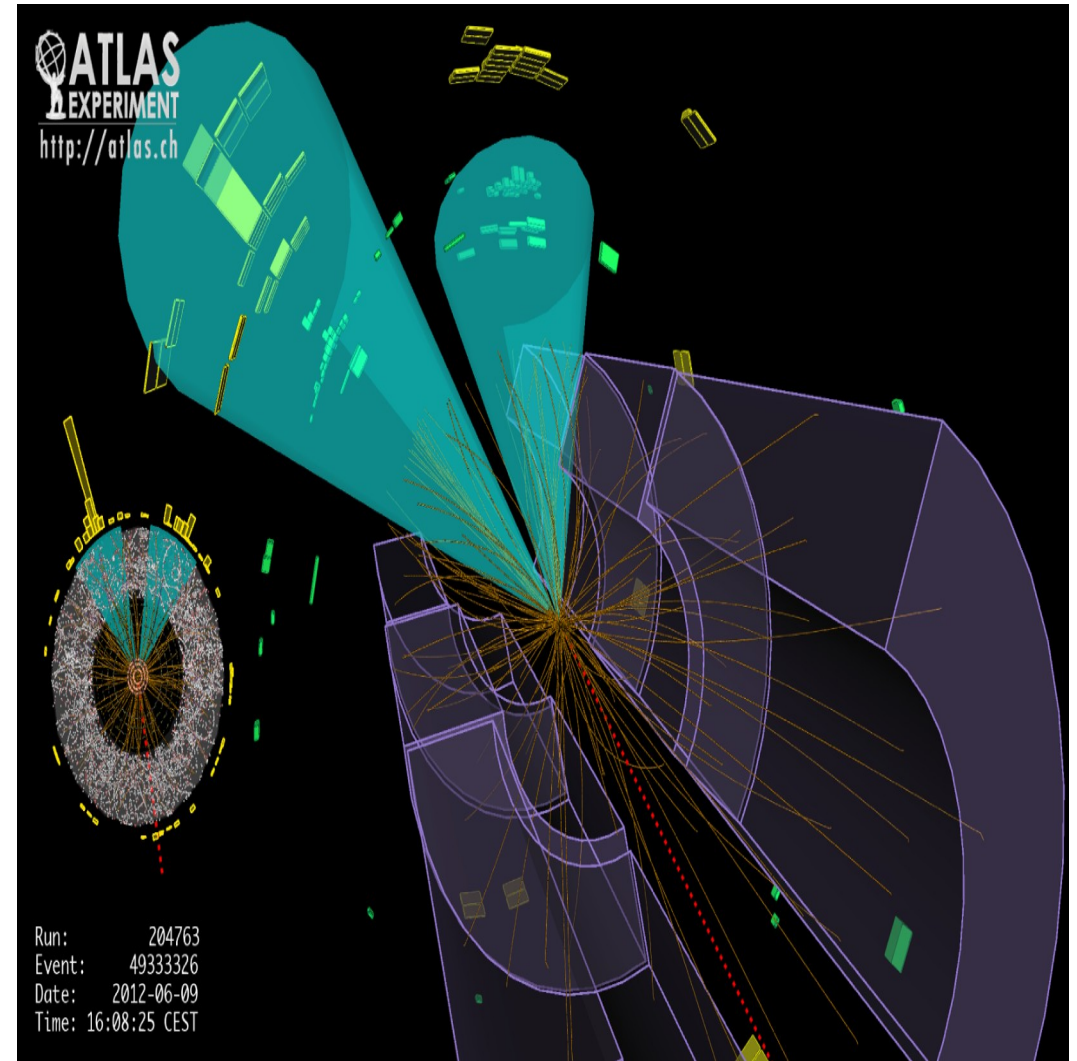


Overview of MET Trigger in ATLAS

- Missing transverse energy (E_T^{miss} , MET) is an important aspect for many physics analyses requiring a significant amount of MET in their selection

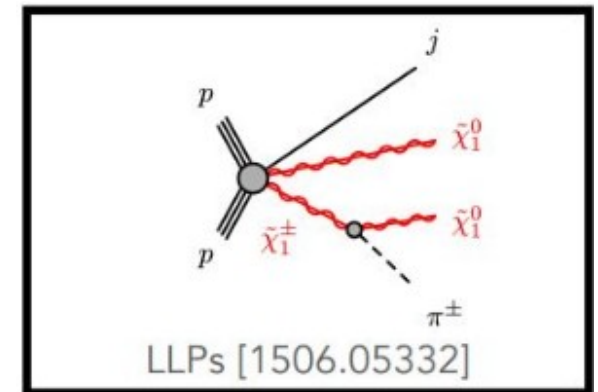
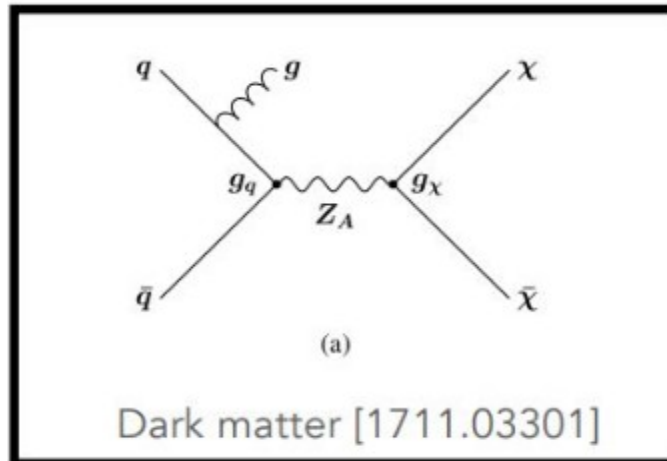
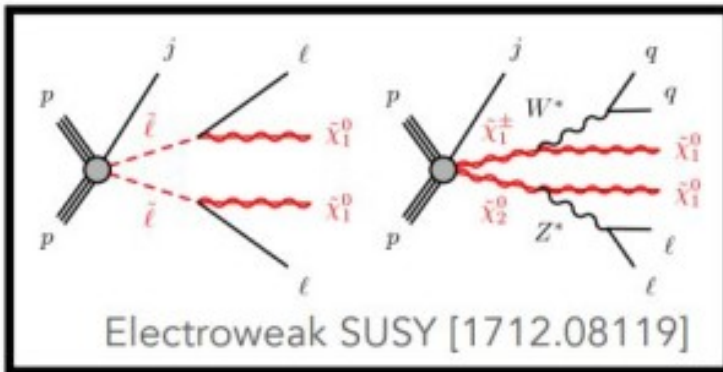
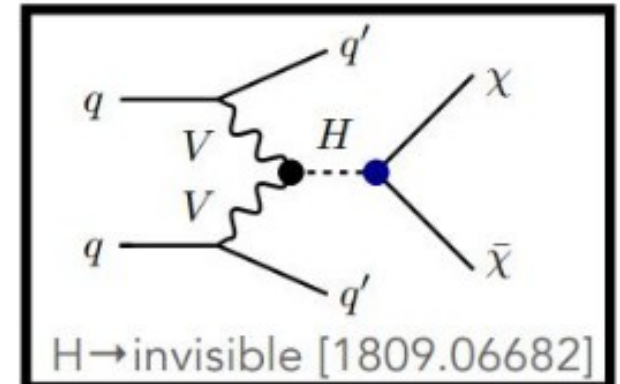
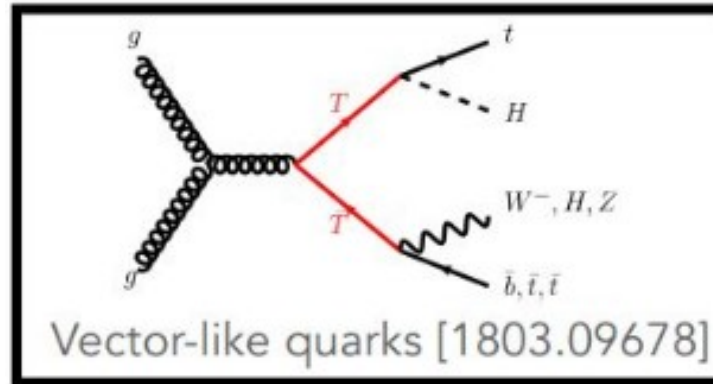
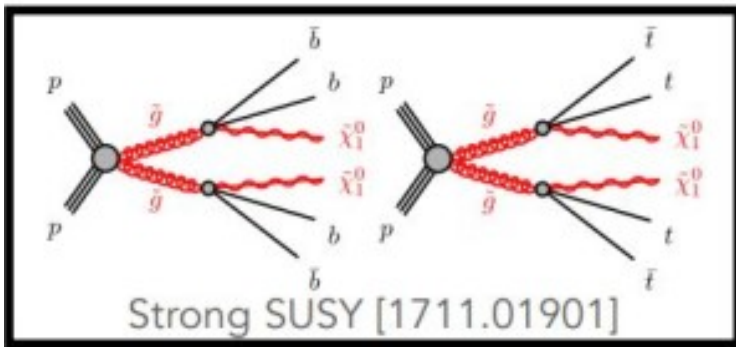
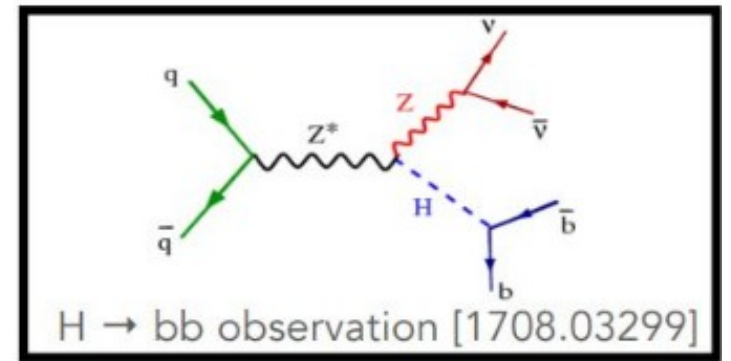
$$\vec{E}_T^{\text{miss}} = - \sum \vec{p}_T^{\text{detected}}$$

- A dedicated MET trigger is required to quickly and accurately identify such events by requiring transverse momentum conservation.
- Calculating MET requires the cooperation of different subsystems → tracking, calorimetry, particle-flow objects (PFO).
- Calculating MET for trigger is different than other trigger processes where the goal is to maintain high



Why a Trigger for E_T^{miss}

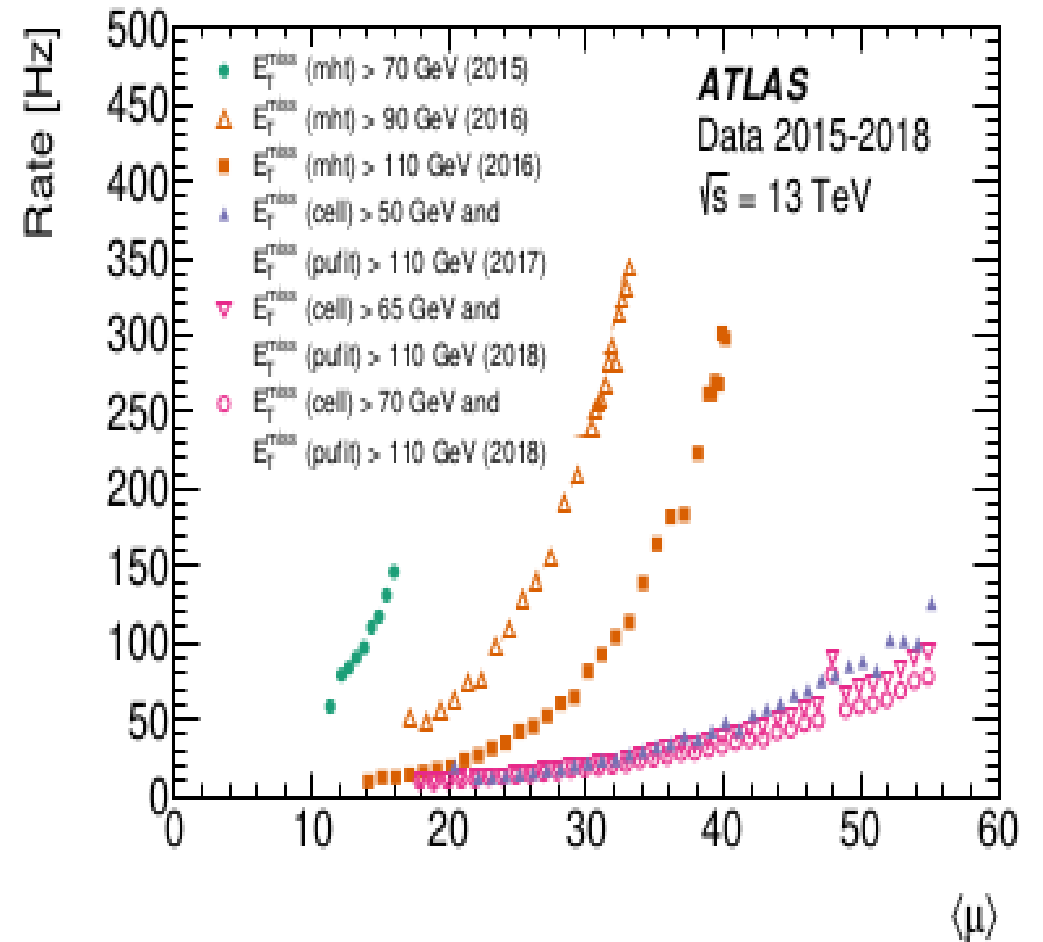
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Challenges of Pileup

What makes it complicated?

- MET Trigger rates are particularly sensitive to increasing *pile-up*
 - E_T^{miss} increases ~exponentially with $\langle\mu\rangle$
→ pile-up is public enemy
- Requiring ^{no. 1!} sophisticated techniques to reduce contributions from pile-up.
- Maintaining a reasonable data-taking rate.
- We have new methods to deal with the challenges of increasing pile-up:
 - Increased thresholds to manage pile-up.
 - Coupled this with algorithms (PUFit) to reduce pile-up effects.



Run-2 MET Trigger Performance

MET Trigger Algorithms

Run-2: algorithms uses calorimeter inputs only

- cell: MET computed by adding cells above a certain noise threshold.
- tcpufit: pufit algorithm applied to topoclusters to remove pile-up contribution.

Run-3: algorithms now include tracking info

- pfopufit, mhtpufit: pufit algorithms applied to jets and PFOs respectively.
- trkmht: sum over all jets passing JVT, soft term from tracks also included.

Run-3 + beyond: MET through machine learning efforts

- neural-network (nn): machine-learning based approach through the combination of multiple MET algorithms.
- ongoing: multiple projects looking into implementing machine learning into improving MET trigger.

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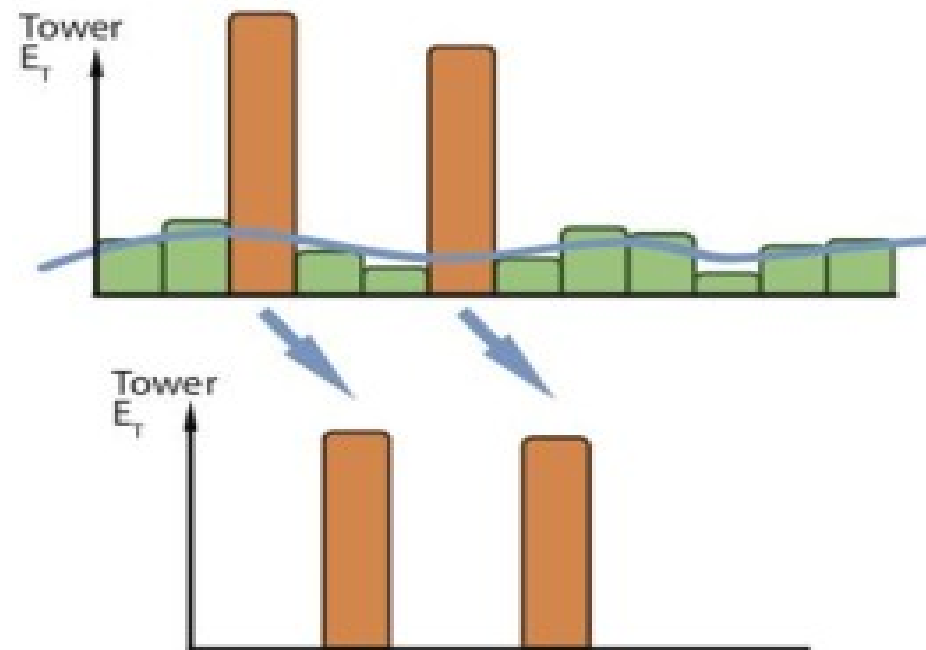

Pufit Optimization

- Pufit is an effective algorithm to reduce pile-up contributions to MET by performing a fit over calorimeter topoclusters.

- Basic procedure:

1. Divide event into pieces.
2. Mark as either **pileup (PU)** or **hard scatter (HS)**.
3. Derive corrections to the HS pieces based on the assumptions:

- i. Total MET from pileup should be 0
- ii. Pileup should be evenly distributed



Neural Network MET

- NN triggers are currently deployed at P1, and are recommended by the team as the primary trigger for analyses for 2024.

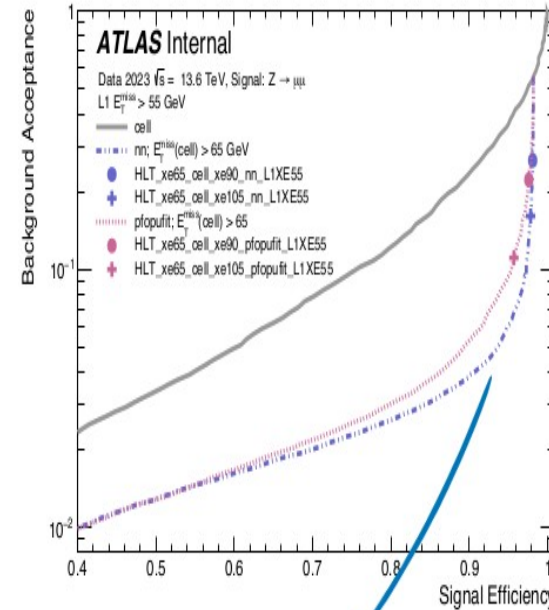
- The combination of multiple MET algorithms leads to improved performance → trained on MC (tt^- , ggZH & JZ1W) and evaluated on differences with truth MET.

MC Event weight
 p_T^{miss}, Σ, ϕ from:
 topufit
 trkmht
 ptopufit
 mhtpufit_em_subjesgclS
 mhtpufit_pt_subjesgclS
 psum_vssk
 psum_cssk
 L1

MODEL:
 3 hidden layers
 TARGET:
 TruthMET

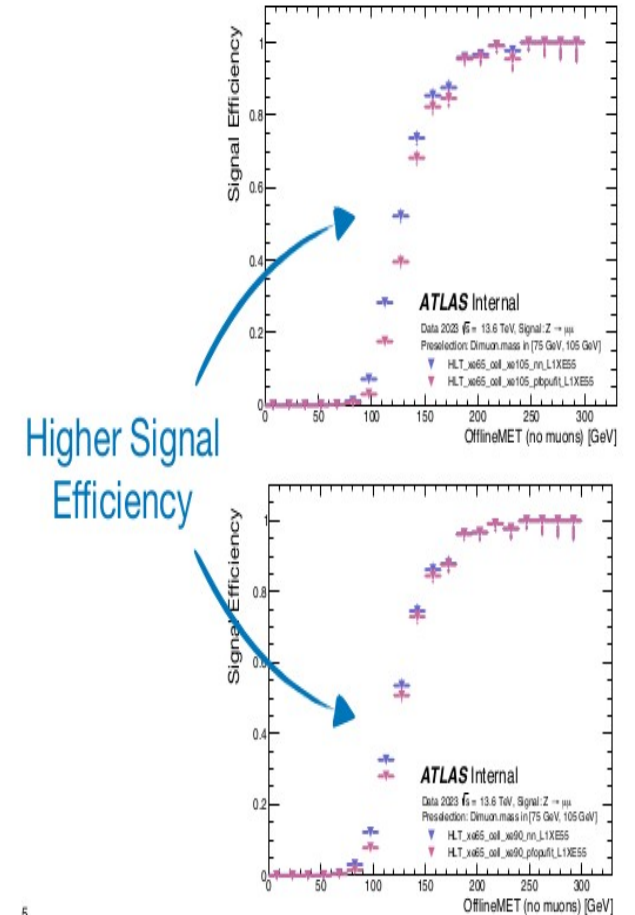
OUTPUT:
 p_T^{miss} prediction for each event

Combination of existing MET algorithms



Lower background acceptance

nnMET



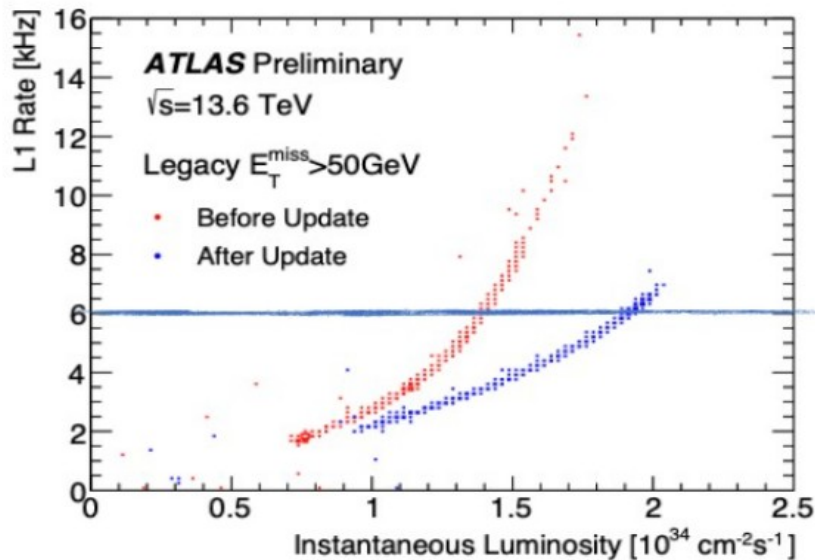
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2023 Data Taking

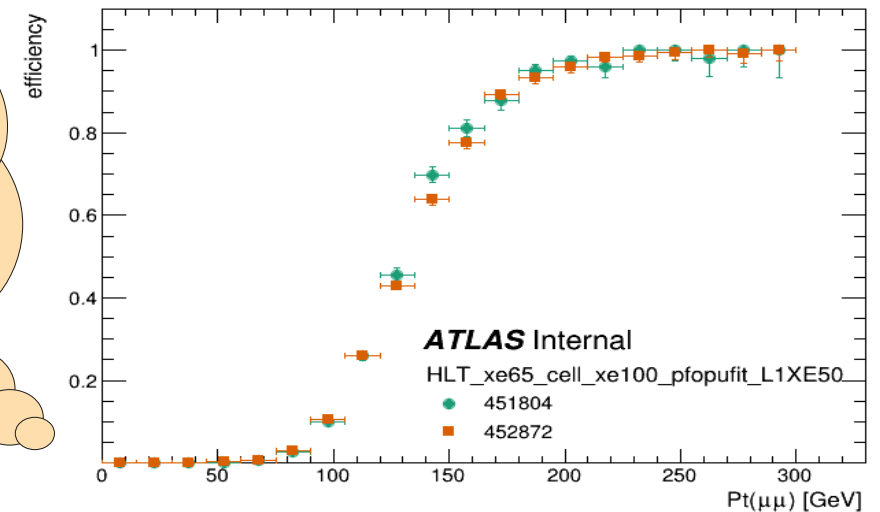
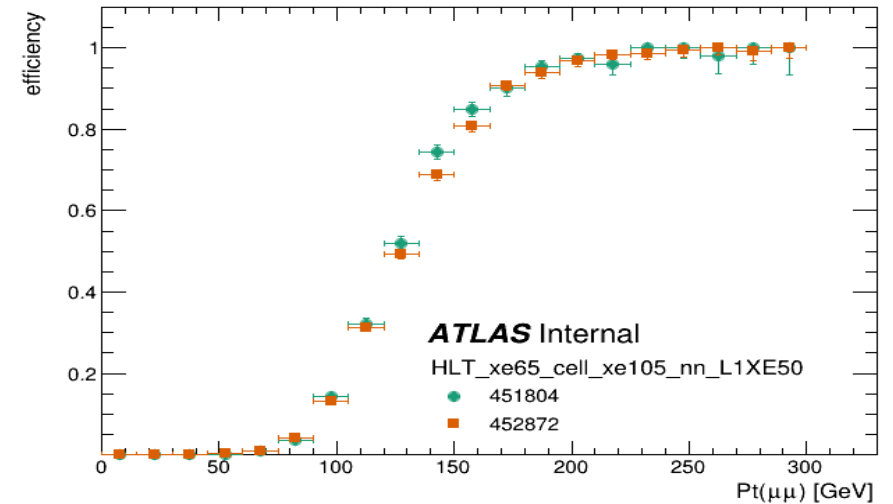
- Trigger rates sensitive to pile-up increase.
- XE50 rate doubled in 2023 fills, reaching more than 10 kHz by 2400 b.
- A significant rate reduction is necessary to define operational requirements.

There are several strategies to decrease the rate :

- Increase the L1 threshold from L1XE50 to L1XE55.
- Tune the L1 calo noise cut (Avoided L1XE50 → L1XE55).



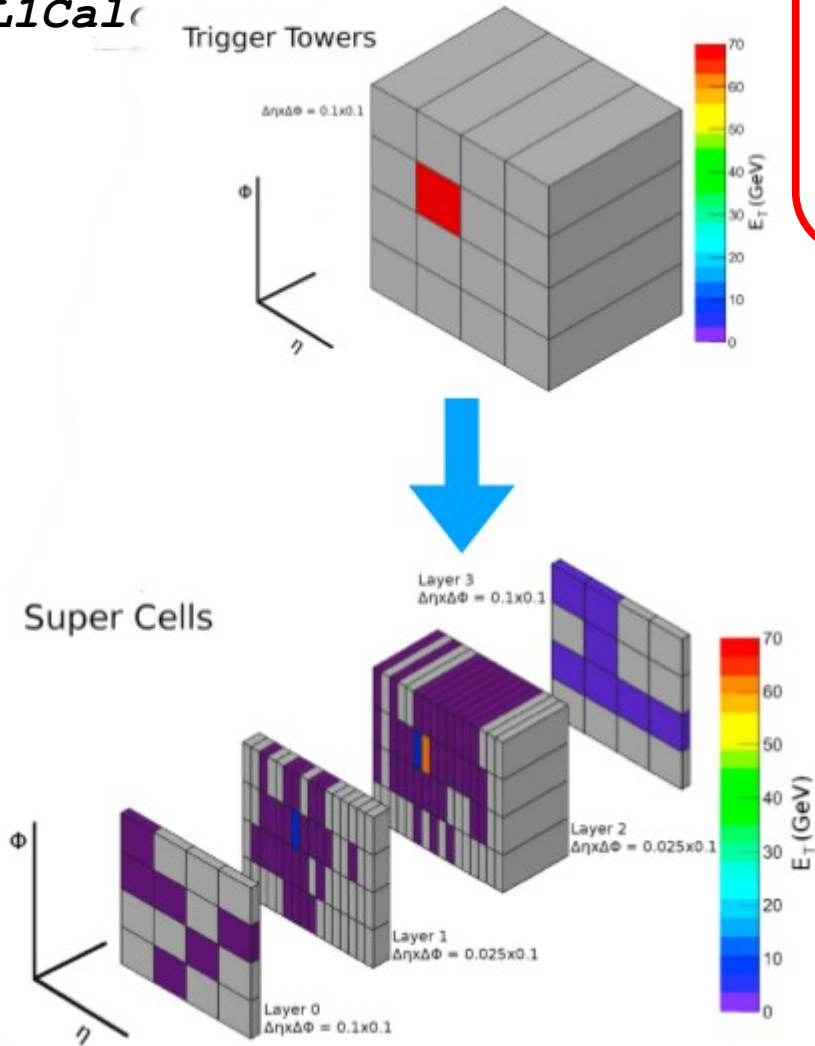
After noise bug fix,
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shown to return
back to run-2 levels.



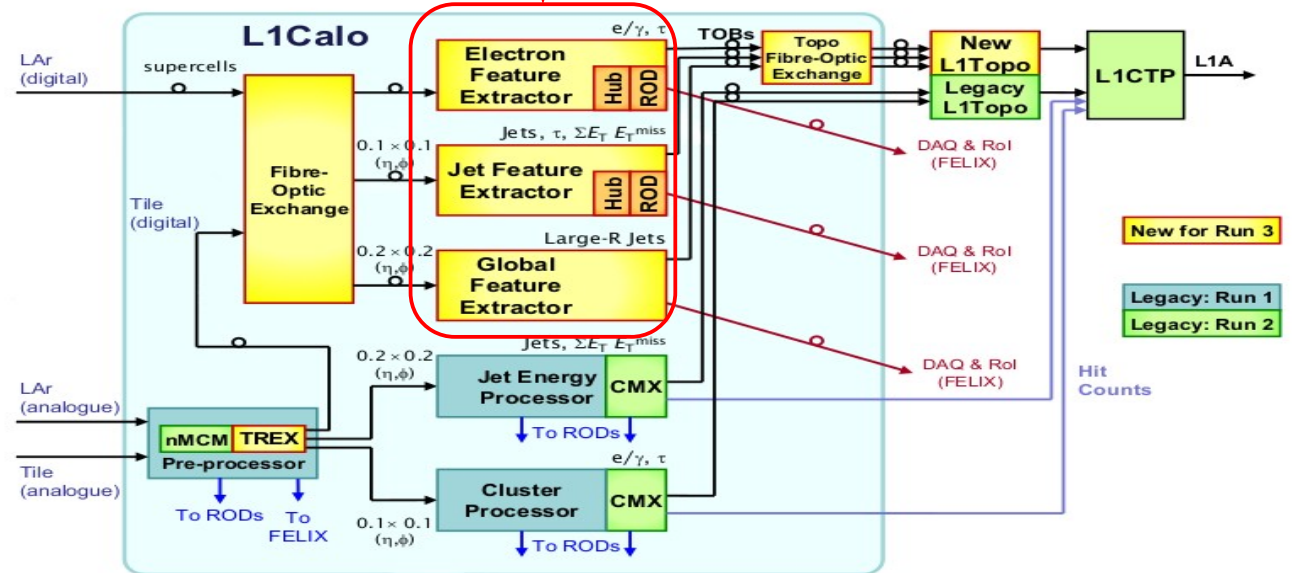
Phase-1 FELX

Introduction

Increased granularity at L1Calo



- Phase-1 upgrade introduce new Feature Extractor hardware.
- Legacy L1Calo & Phase I upgrades run in parallel during commissioning at the beginning of Run 3.



Phase-1 FEX

Introduction

The Global Feature Extraction (gFEX) module runs global event algorithms such as « missing E_T ».

- Designed to provide large-radius jet triggers, MET, pile-up estimation, and other global observables for trigger.
- The Gfex is designed to enhance the selectivity of the L1 trigger and increase sensitivity to key physics channels.

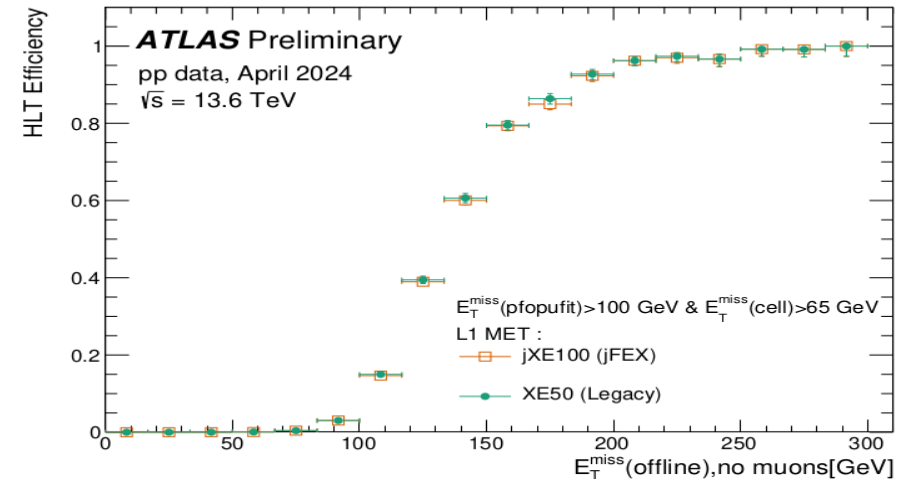
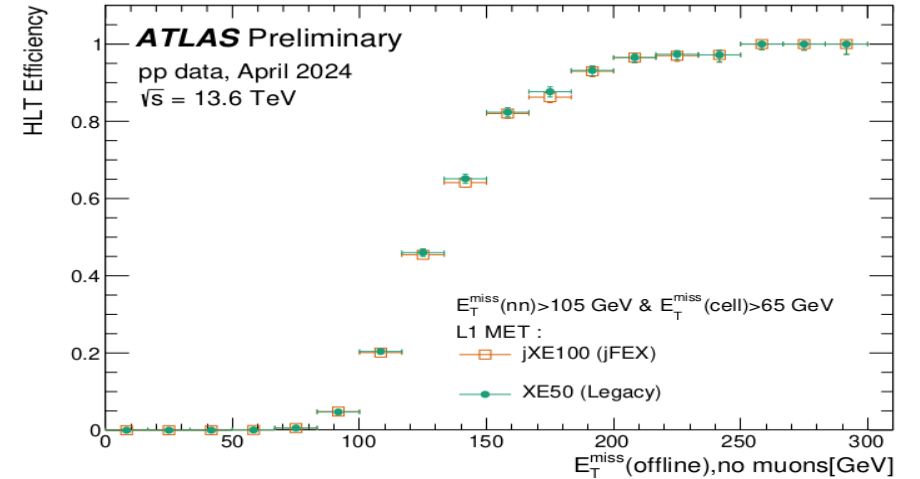
The jet Feature Extraction (jFEX) module calculates global variables like the total transverse energy ΣE_T and the missing transverse energy E_T^{miss} .

- jFEX is designed to identify small-R jet, large tau, forward electron, ΣE_T and E_t^{miss} TOBs based on inputs from Latome and TREX.

Phase-I jFEX Performance

- Here HLT Efficiency curves for two primary trigger chains seeded by the Phase-I jet feature extractor (jFEX) compared with chains seeded by the L1Calo legacy system.
- Measured as a function of offline reconstructed E_T^{miss} with muons treated as invisible.
- Events taken from data with a $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ selection.
- At $\langle \mu \rangle \sim 60$:
 - For nn : Trigger rates for HLT MET chains seeded by jFEX L1 selection are approximately 20% lower than those seeded by the Legacy L1Calo selection.
 - For $pfopufi$: Trigger rates for HLT MET chains seeded by

jFEX L1 selection are approximately 5% lower than those



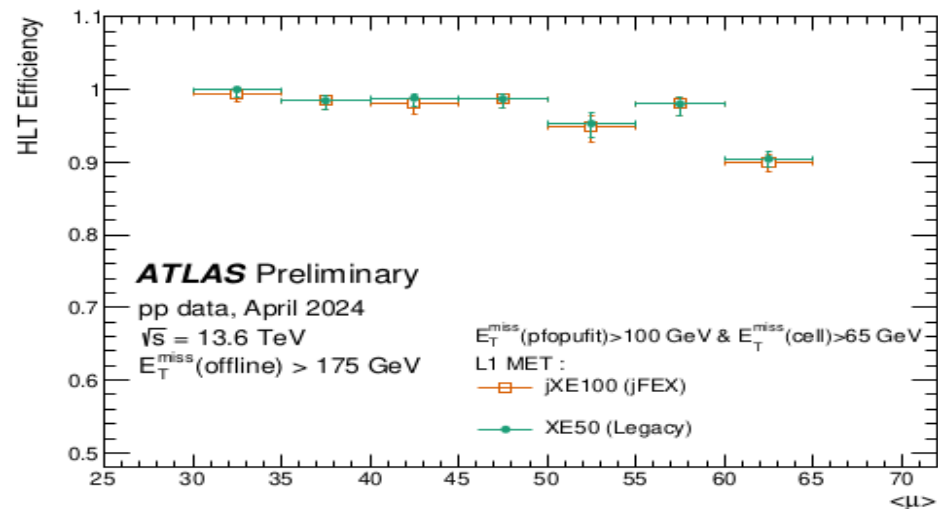
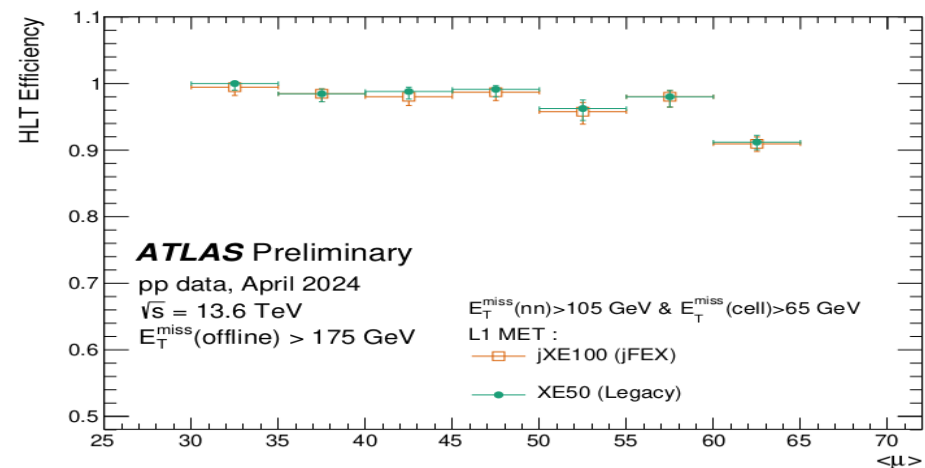
Phase-1 FEX Performance

➤ Efficiency measured as a function of number of simultaneous interactions $\langle \mu \rangle$.

➤ Events taken from data with a $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ selection requiring offline $E_T^{miss} > 175\text{GeV}$.

➤ Same behaviour wrt trigger chains seeded by **jFEX** and

Legacy L1Calo



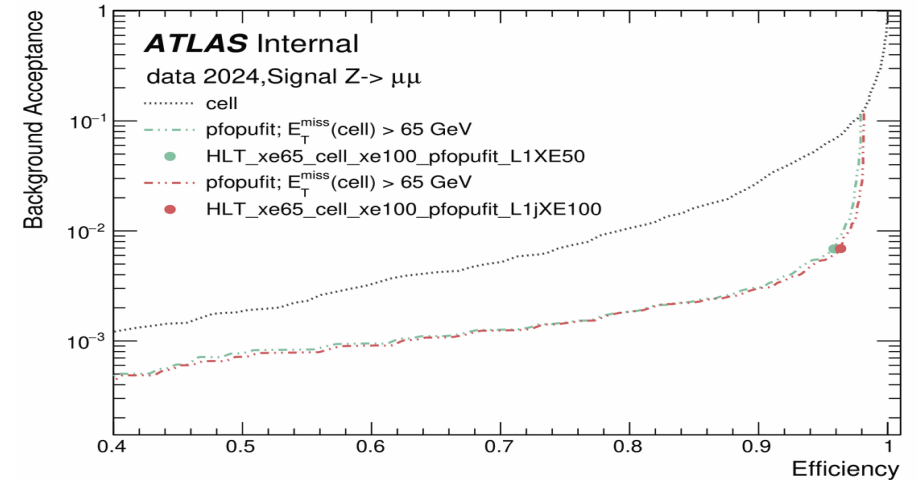
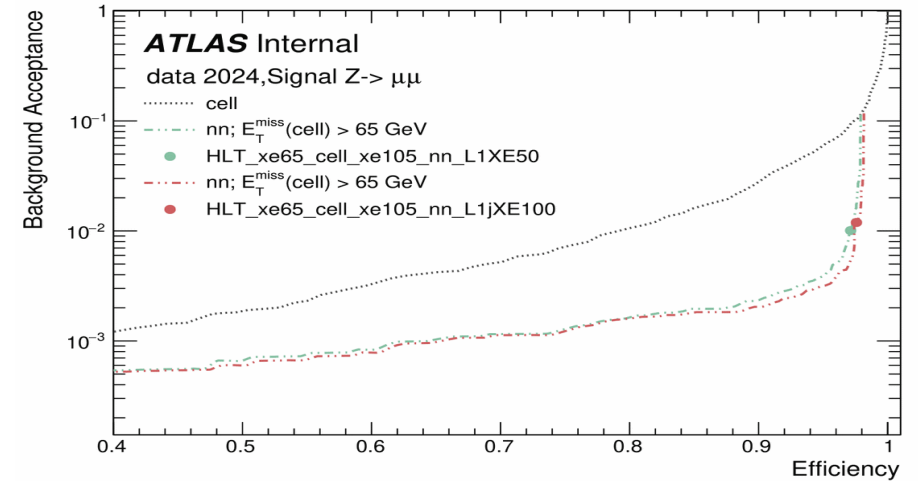
Phase-I jFEX Performance

➤ Here the Background rejection vs. signal efficiency curves for two primary trigger chains seeded by the Phase-I jet feature extractor (jFEX) compared with chains seeded by the L1Calo legacy system.

➤ The signal efficiency on the x axis is evaluated using physics_main dataset, with $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ event selection and a cut of 150 GeV is applied to the offlineMET.

➤ The background acceptance on the y axis is evaluated using EB dataset with EBWeight applied.

➤ We see a relative similar efficiency rejection power for Both trigger chains.



L1 Legacy calo system disabled



*jet Feature Extraction
(jFEX) module*



Conclusion :

- *MET triggers has progressed quickly since the start of run-3 to present.*
- Calorimeter only (run-2) → adding tracking +nn Algorithm (run-3)
- previous primary MET algorithm of pfopufit is replaced by nn .
- Significant progress made in studying signal efficiency for legacy system, allows us to continue to use L1XE50 as the baseline until the phased out.
- jFEX algorithm closely matches legacy performance.
- jFEX MET shows resistance to pile-up and rate reduction
- L1XE50 legacy MET removed in May 2024.
- Future focus: Commission gFEX based.



Thanks!