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Sensitivity of the muon isolation cut efficiency to the underlying event uncertainties

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Introduction

- ▷ isolation cut (ISOL) plays the key role
 - ▷ suppressing $t\bar{t}$, $Zb\bar{b}$
- ▷ ISOL affects signal and ZZ -bckg as well
 - ▷ need to know ISOL efficiency well
- ▷ Two questions to be answered

1. How well can we predict the isolation cut efficiency using the current Monte Carlo generators?
2. Can we measure the isolation cut efficiency using the experimental data themselves and, if yes, would the associated experimental systematic errors be smaller than the Monte Carlo based theoretical uncertainties?

- ▷ Tracker based ISOL is used
- ▷ Results may be of general interest
- ▷ UE (CMS Note 2005/013): *is all the remnant activity from the same proton-proton interaction*

Technicalities

▷ DC04/05 parameters used

- ▷ for UE $PT_{\text{cut-off}}$ a special set of parameters and their variations used (see the Note and referenced there 2005/013 CMS Note as well)
- ▷ In PYTHIA: $PT_{\text{cut-off}} = \text{PARP}(82) * (14000 / \text{PARP}(89))^{\text{PARP}(90)}$
 - ▷ we use $\text{PARP}(89) = 14000$
 - ▷ $\text{PARP}(82) = 2.9 \rightarrow PT_{\text{cut-off}} = 2.9 \text{ GeV}$ – default scenario
 - ▷ $\text{PARP}(82) = 2.4 \rightarrow PT_{\text{cut-off}} = 2.4 \text{ GeV}$ – pessimistic scenario (-3σ)
 - ▷ $\text{PARP}(82) = 3.4 \rightarrow PT_{\text{cut-off}} = 3.4 \text{ GeV}$ – optimistic scenario ($+3\sigma$)
- ▷ Difference in $PT_{\text{cut-off}}$ values 0.5 GeV is about 3σ of corresponding variation of the parameter (tuned and extrapolated from data)
 - ▷ for more details look at CERN Yellow report 2000/004

▷ Samples used in analysis

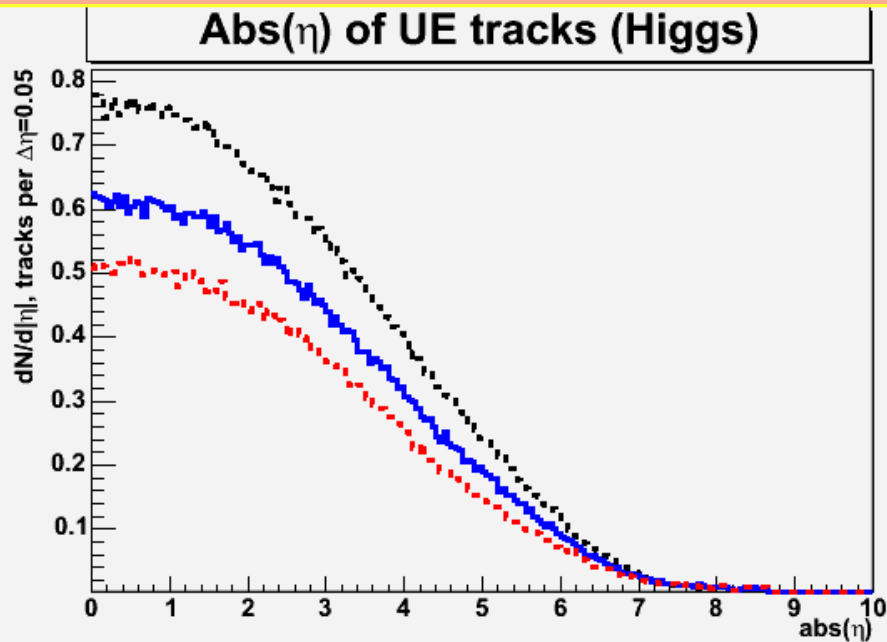
- ▷ signal ($M_H = 150 \text{ GeV}$), tt, ZZ, Z-inclusive
- ▷ to increase selection efficiency an additional cut $PT > 7 \text{ GeV}$ for at least 4 muons was used at generator pre-selection level (for signal and tt)

Conditions. Cuts.

▷ Details

- ▷ 'Good muon' cuts applied for efficiency 'per muon'
 - ▷ $p_t > 7$ in barrel, $P > 9$ in endcap ($|\eta| = 1.1$ – is a border)
- ▷ A la full simulation analysis cuts applied for efficiency 'per muon' for mh150 signal
 - ▷ in addition to 'good muon' cuts
 - ▷ cuts on 4 selected muons $P_T > 10$ GeV
 - ▷ inv. masses of $\mu^+\mu^-$ pairs > 12 GeV (for all permutations)
 - ▷ $110 < m_H < 700$
 - ▷ a la tracker isolation cuts: 0, 0, 1, 2 GeV (on four selected muons, sorted by ISOL parameter)
 - ▷ **no IP parameter cuts**
- ▷ Isolation parameter is a sum of P_T of tracks inside cone dR
 - ▷ $dR(\eta, \phi)$ cone size = 0.3
 - ▷ P_T of considered tracks in a cone > 0.8 GeV (default in ORCA)
 - ▷ **muons are excluded from isolation parameter calculation**

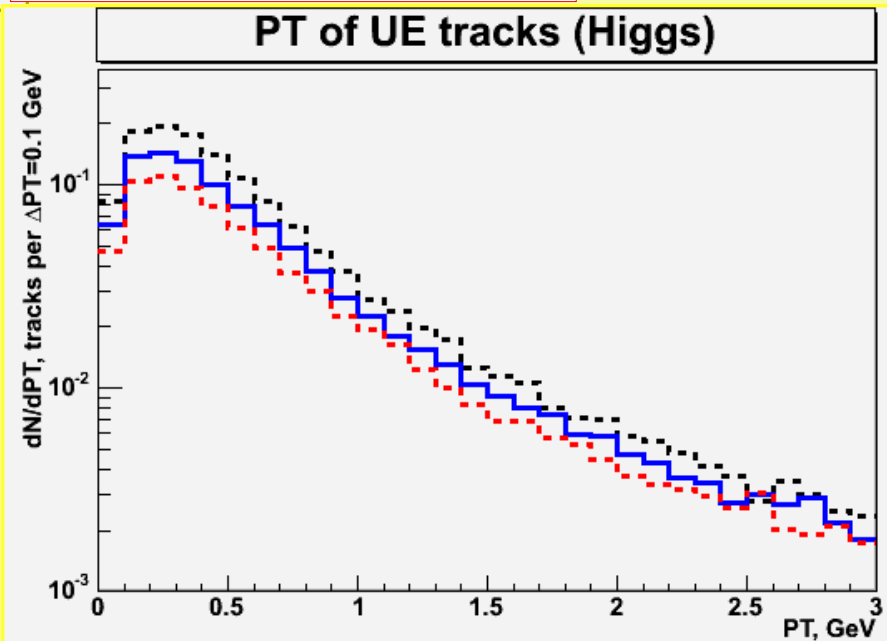
Tracks multiplicity



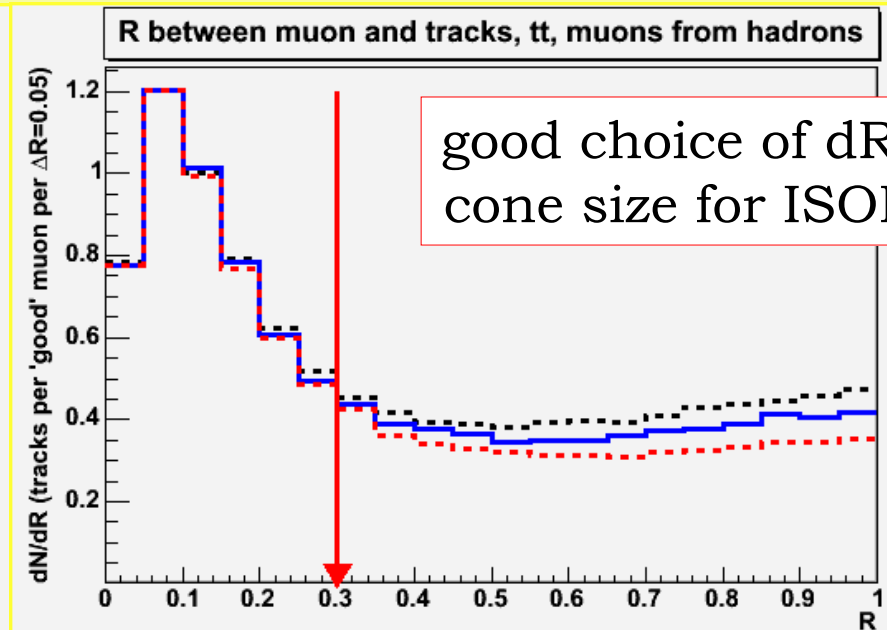
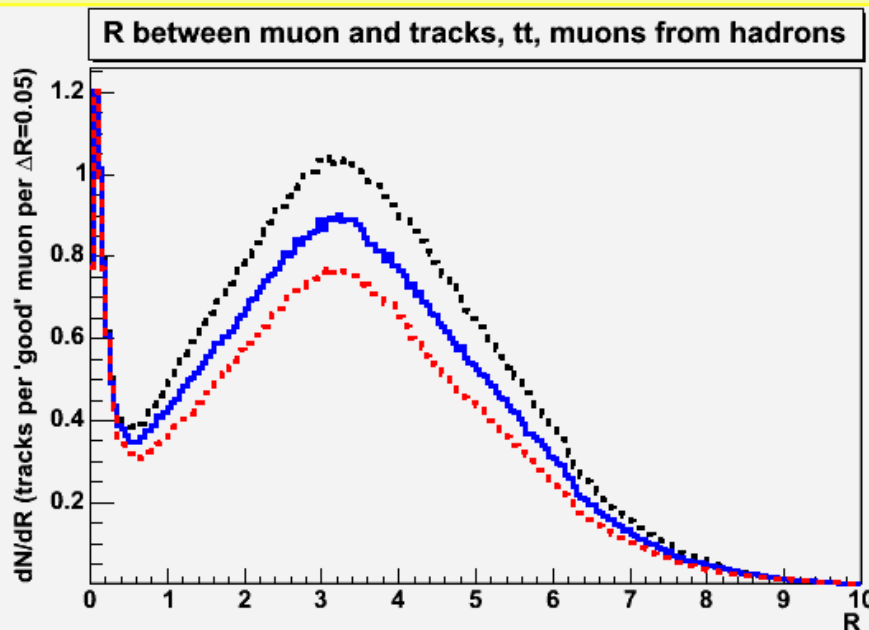
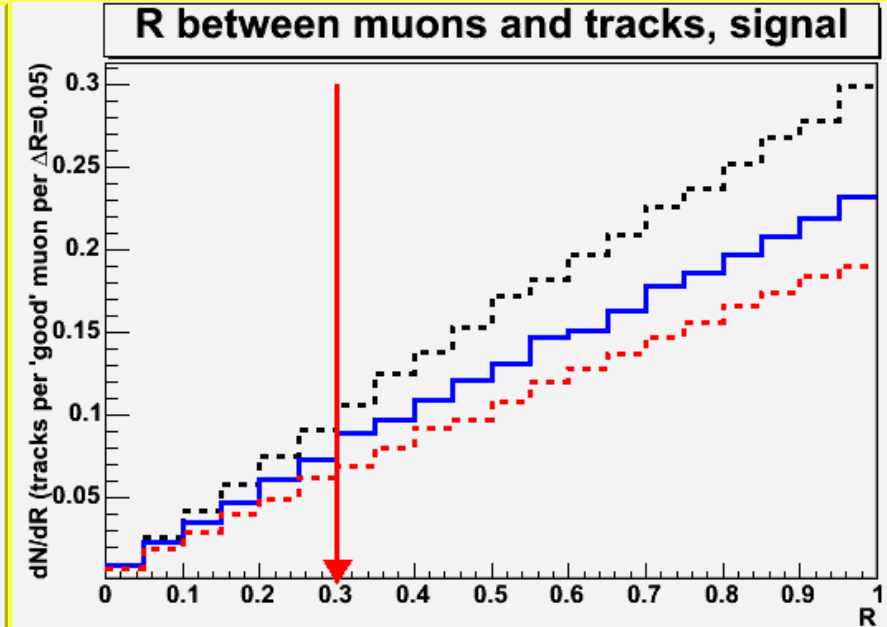
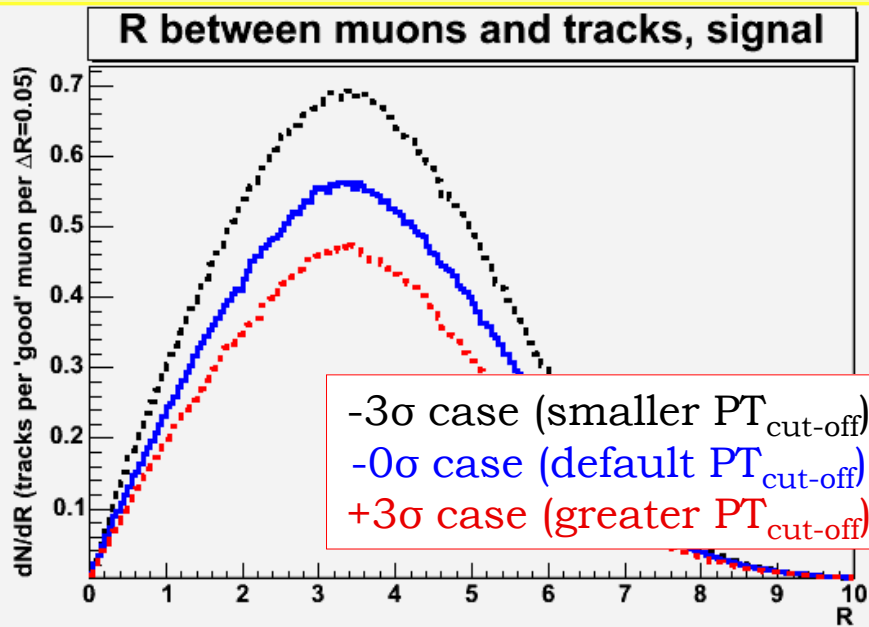
multiplicity changed

- 3σ case (smaller $PT_{cut-off}$)
- 0σ case (default $PT_{cut-off}$)
+ 3σ case (greater $PT_{cut-off}$)

PT spectrum unchanged

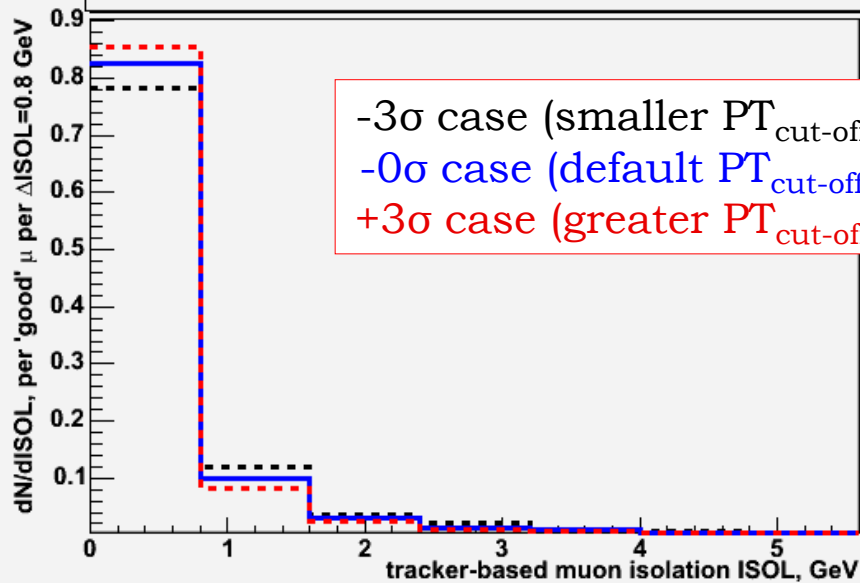


dR distributions (multiplicity and cone size)

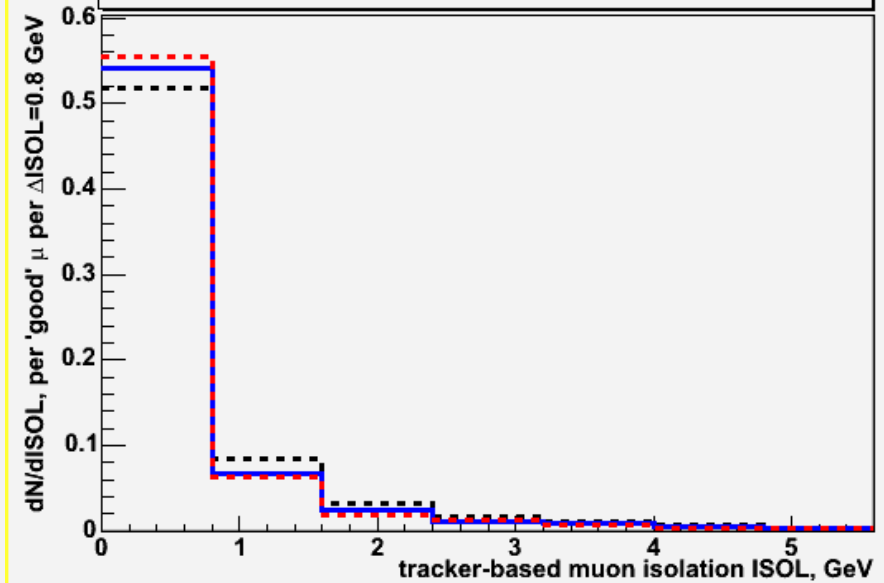


ISOL and its variations

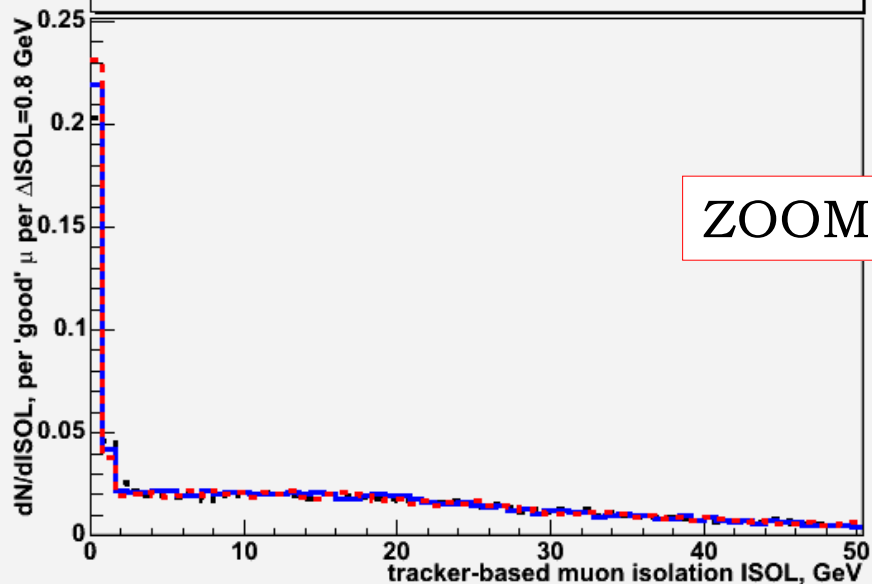
Tracker isolation parameter for mh150 (averaged, good μ)



Tracker isolation parameter, tt, muons from W (good μ)



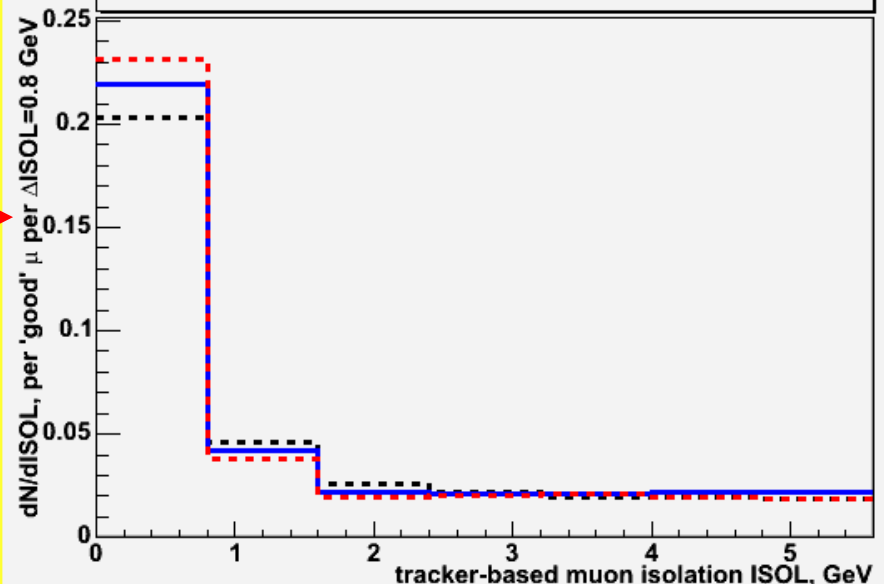
Tracker isolation parameter, tt, muons from hadrons (good μ)



ZOOM



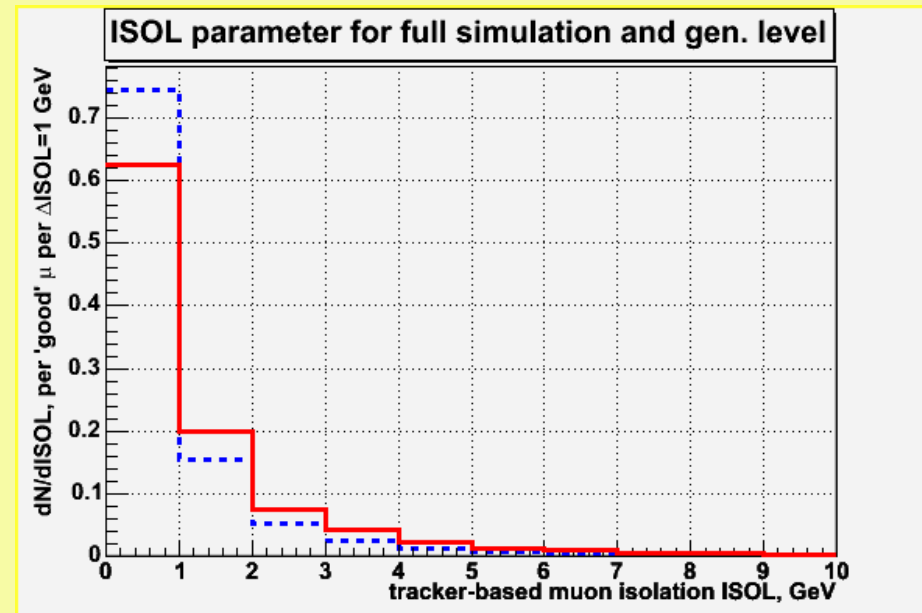
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Full simulation and gen. level comparison

▷ Comparison of the tracker isolation parameter distributions

- ▷ full detector simulation (blue)
 - ▷ $m_H = 150$ signal sample
- ▷ this generator level study (red)
 - ▷ $m_H = 150$ signal sample
- ▷ default UE simulation settings

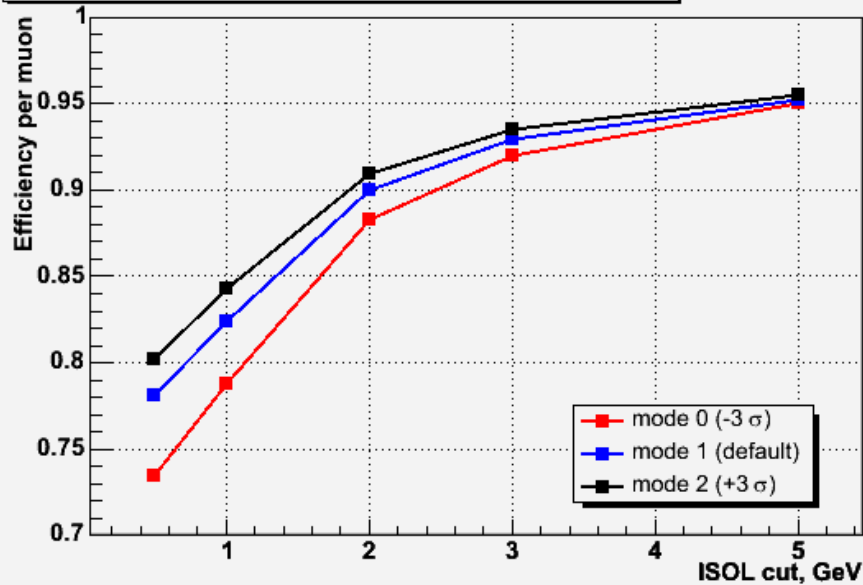


▷ Plus final event selection efficiencies (analysis cuts):

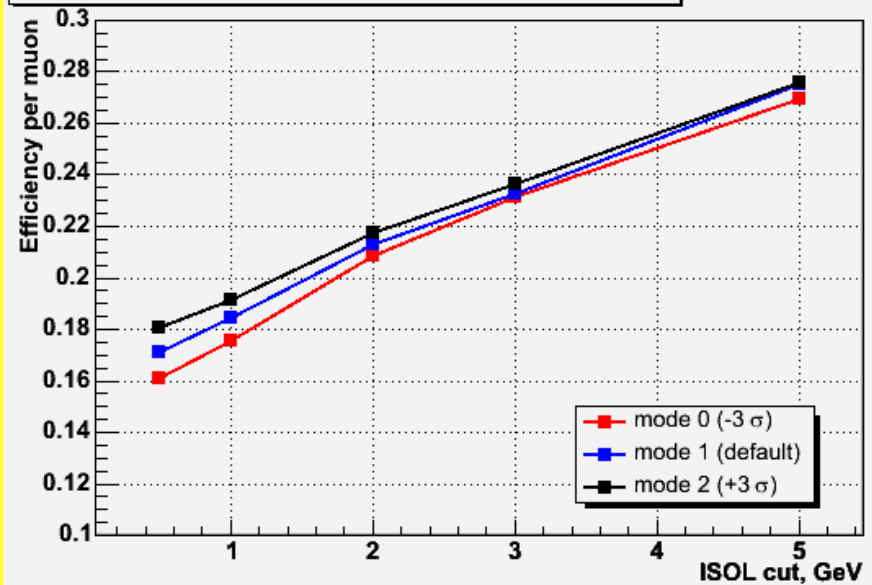
- ▷ about 23% in the full simulation analysis
- ▷ about 21% in these generator level studies

ISOL cut efficiencies. Prediction uncertainties.

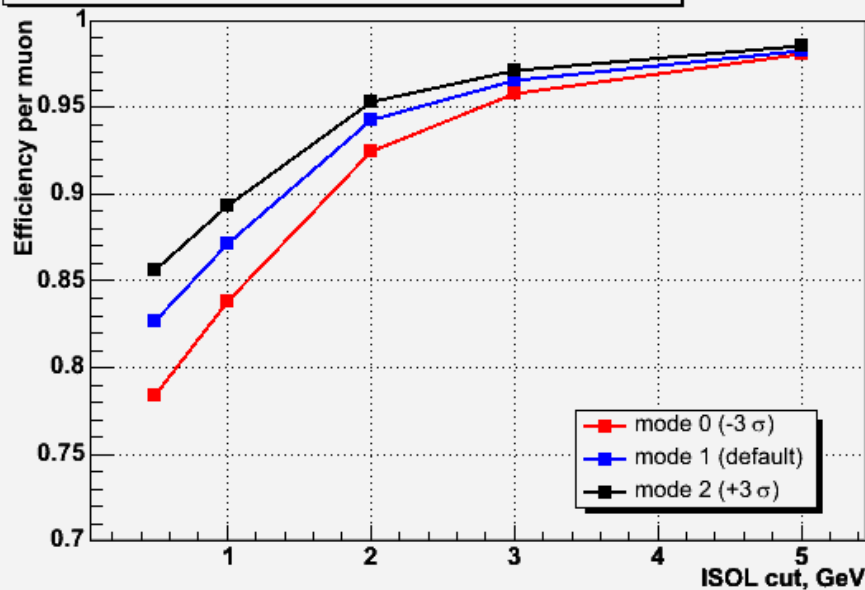
Efficiency per good muon for $t\bar{t}$ (parent is directly W or W- τ , 'good' μ)



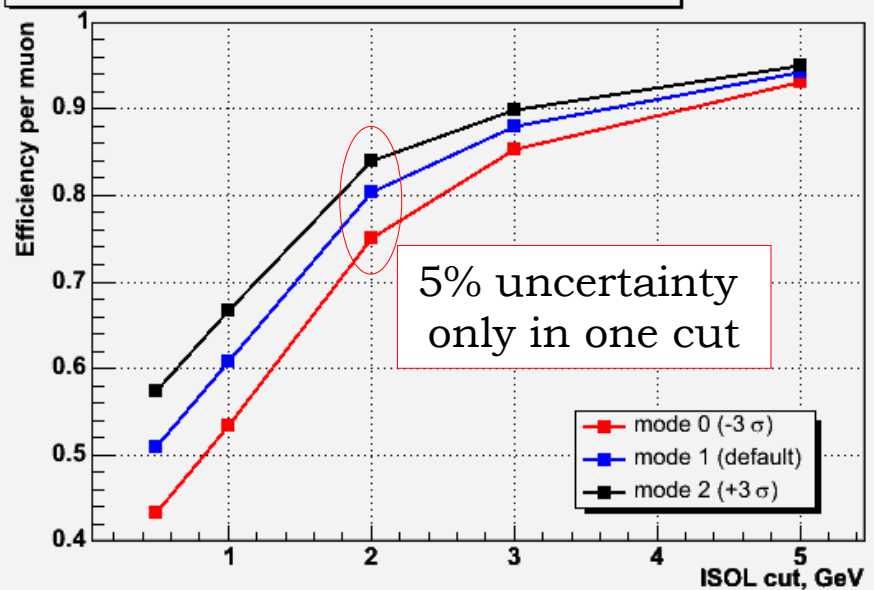
Efficiency per 'good' muon for $t\bar{t}$ (parent is NOT directly W or W- τ , 'good' μ)



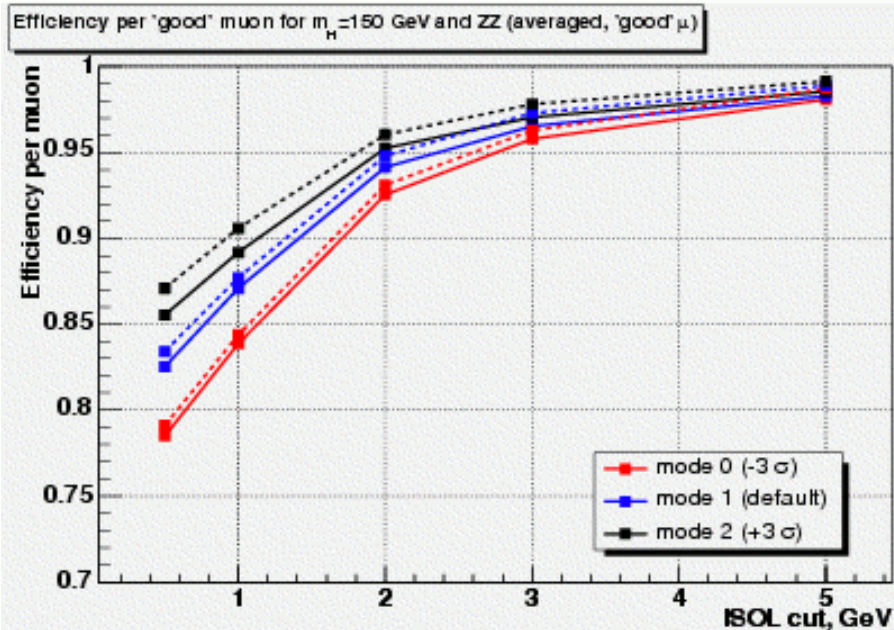
Efficiency per 'good' muon for $m_H=150$ GeV (averaged, analysis)



Efficiency per 'good' muon for $m_H=150$ GeV (worst isolated μ , analysis)

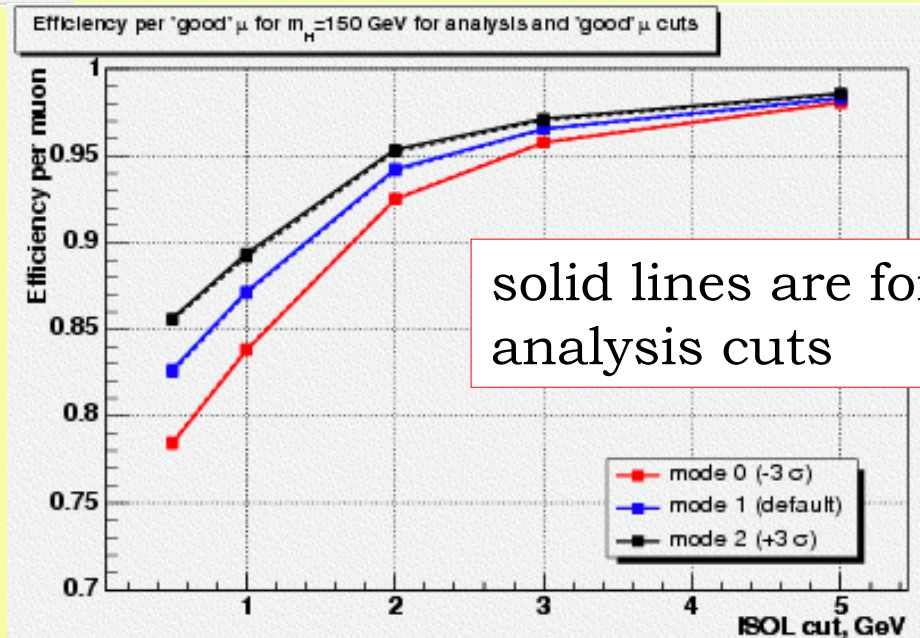


ISOL cut efficiencies. Prediction uncertainties. (2)



Results for ZZ-background and signal are similar (dashed lines – for ZZ)

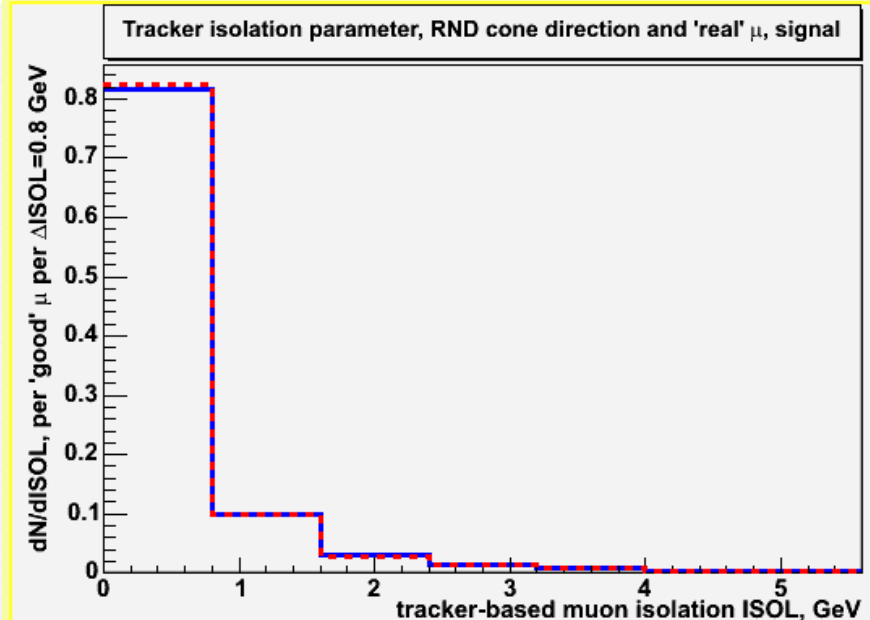
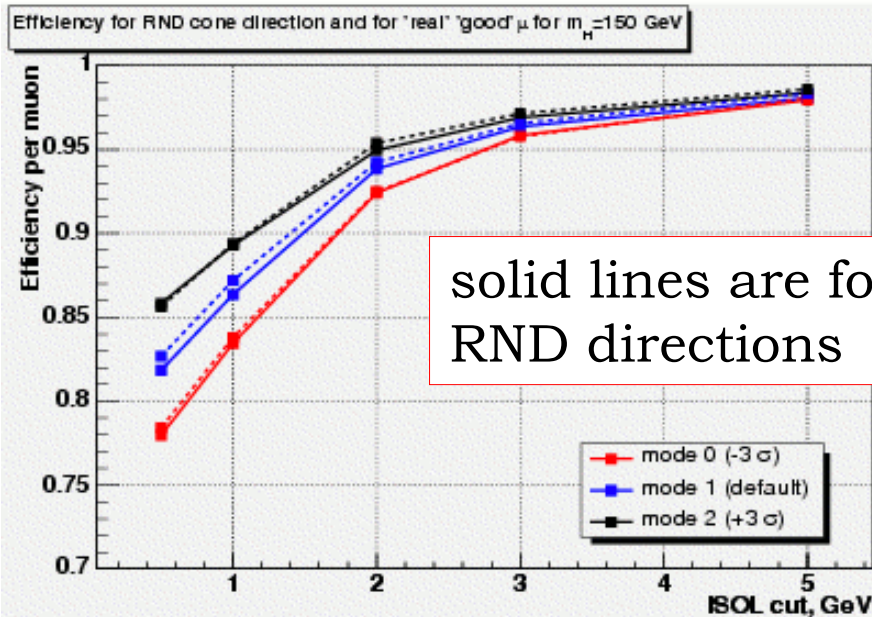
Up to the statistical precision there is no difference for efficiencies before and after analysis cuts



solid lines are for analysis cuts

ISOL efficiency from data.

▷ Idea is to use Random cone direction.



Random cone direction: all the calculations for ISOL efficiency done for uniformly distributed random directions in event instead of directions for 'real' (MC) muons.

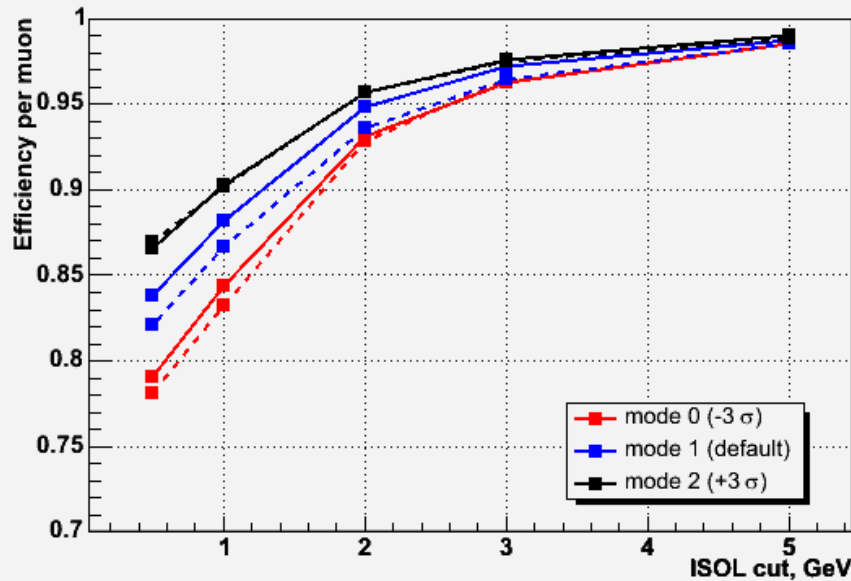
can measure the isolation cut efficiency by using some distinct reference data sample and applying the random cone technique

- big cross section
- similar UE structure as ZZ /signal
- relatively clean from backgrounds

→ trying Z -inclusive sample

ISOL efficiency from data. (2)

Efficiency for RND cone direction for ZZ and Z inclusive (averaged)



Very close to ZZ "real" μ
(dashed - Z-inclusive)

Efficiency for RND cone direction for $t\bar{t}$ (averaged, 'good' μ)

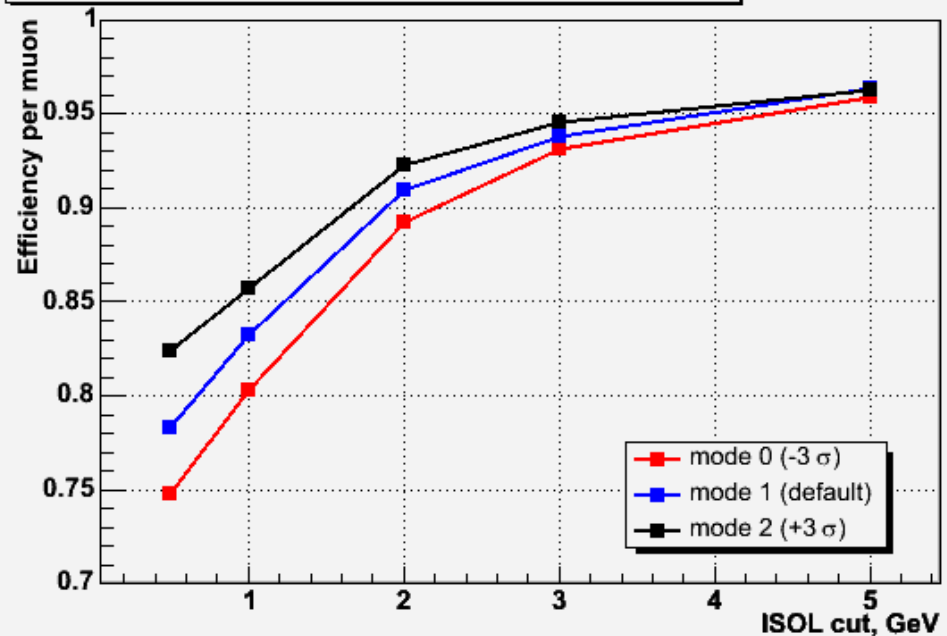


Illustration (not every sample is suitable): $t\bar{t}$ is too different.

ISOL efficiency from data. (3) Efficiency per event.

process/case	efficiency (default)	efficiency (-3σ)	efficiency ($+3\sigma$)
signal, $m_H = 150$ GeV	0.775 ± 0.004	0.707 ± 0.005	0.812 ± 0.004
ZZ background	0.780 ± 0.004	0.721 ± 0.005	0.838 ± 0.004
4 RND muons, Z-inclusive events	0.762 ± 0.007	0.706 ± 0.007	0.821 ± 0.006
$t\bar{t}$ background	0.016 ± 0.001	0.013 ± 0.001	0.015 ± 0.001

- ▷ numbers for Signal, ZZ and Z-inclusive samples are in agreement with each other for all the three different tested UE scenarios
- ▷ range of efficiencies for the ZZ spans from ~ 0.72 to ~ 0.84
 - ▷ prediction uncertainties!!! (from theoretical uncertainties in the UE physics)
- ▷ from data: shift is $\sim 2\%$ and not dependant on UE scenario
 - ▷ smaller than other known uncertainties

Summary

- ▷ ISOL per muon due to uncertainties in the UE models can vary as much as 5%
 - ▷ the efficiency itself and the uncertainty strongly depend on how tight the ISOL cut is
- ▷ The 4-muon isolation cut efficiency per event for ZZ $\sim 78 \pm 6\%$
- ▷ **Elimination of these large uncertainties**
 - ▷ calibration the isolation cut efficiency from data using Z-inclusive events with the random cone technique
 - ▷ eliminates uncertainties associated with the poor understanding of the UE physics
 - ▷ might be $\sim 2\%$ systematic shift in the 4-muon isolation cut efficiencies obtained this way, already very small
- ▷ The results and described techniques in this note may be of interest for all analyses relying on lepton isolation cuts.
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