# Impact of multiple pp interactions on proton tagging

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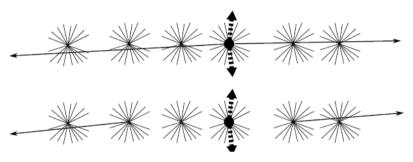
#### Outline

- Summary of pile-up studies for AFP 220m
- Rates as predicted by MC
  - Only using the intact leading protons, debris coming from the interactions hitting the forward detectors is another story



#### Pile-up is problematic

 Minimum bias events can fake hard diffractive or two-photon signature when overlayed with non-diffractive background (has orders of magnitude higher cross section)



- Two-solutions:
  - SD diffractive cross section falls as  $1/\xi \to study$  processes at sufficiently high mass
  - Reject combinatorial pairs require time arrival to be compatible with primary vertex in central detector  $|z_0(AFP) z_0(PV)| < 1\sigma$

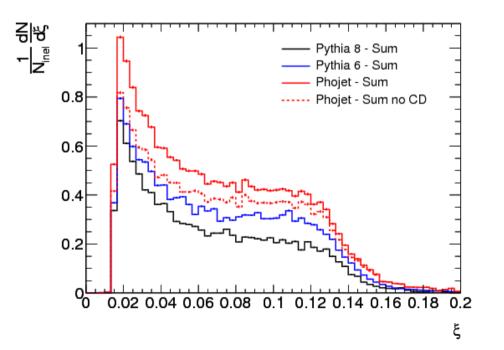
$$z_0 = \frac{c}{2} (t_1 - t_2)$$
  $\Delta t_{1,2} = 10 \text{ ps} \rightarrow \Delta z_0 = 2.1 \text{ mm}$ 

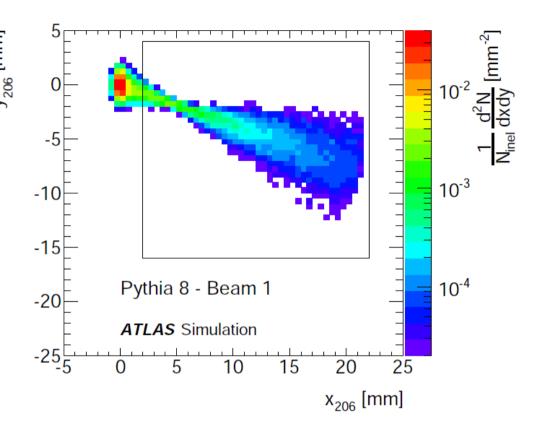
- ... or combination of the two



#### Properties of pile-up

- Acceptance large for  $0.012 < \xi < 0.14$
- d at  $15\sigma$ : 2.3mm = 0.13x15 + 0.3 mm
- High rates close to the beam
- Irradiation of small area a detector (lifetime issues?)



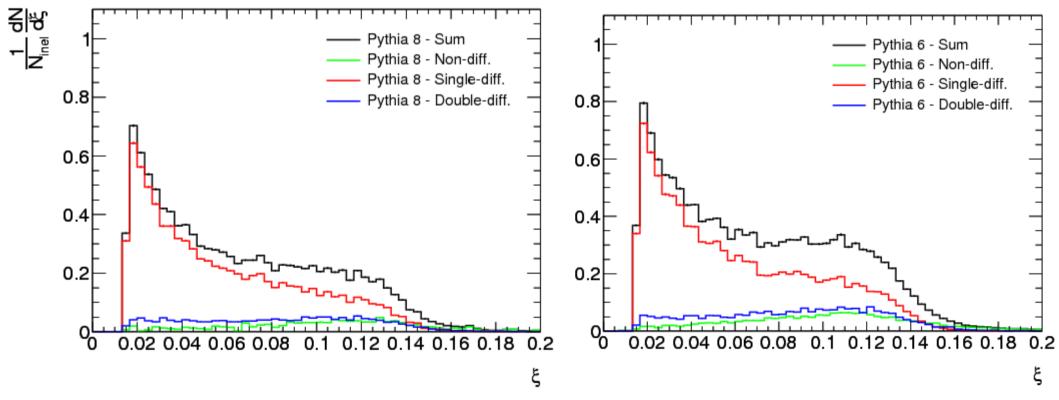


 Factor 2 difference in the rates predicted by PYTHIA8/PHOJET



# Pythia 6 / 8

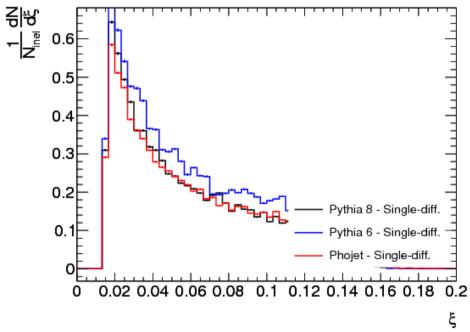
- Differences in the modeling of large xi region uncertainty ~ 30%
- Significant contribution of the non-diffractive and double diffractive events
- Forward physics community should aim at constraining the prediction (ALFA/TOTEM)

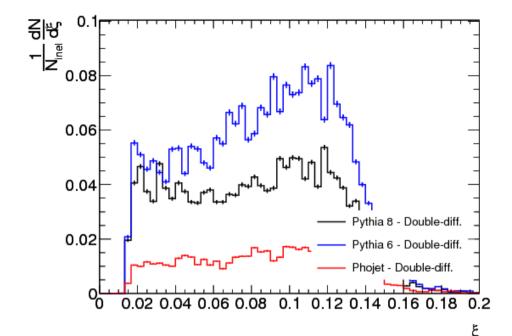


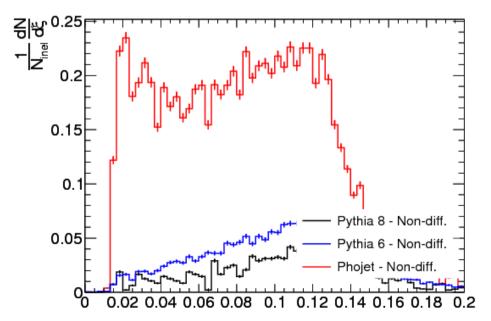


#### Comparison of various contributions

 While SD event with intrinsic intact protons tend to agree, there are big differences between the generators for DD and ND



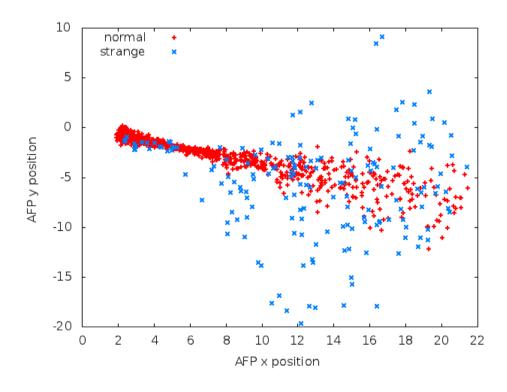






#### Momentum fraction loss profiles

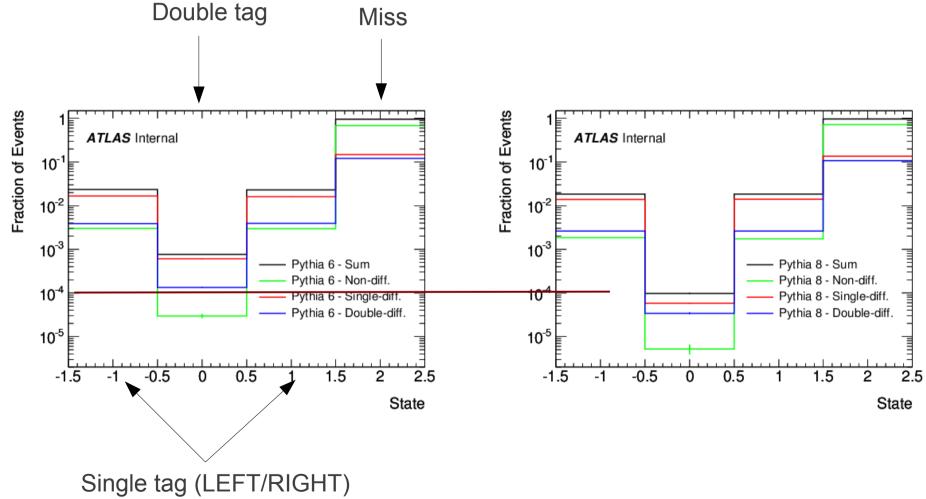
- Single diffractive events
  - Comparing side with forward proton and the side with dissociated system
  - Rejection power could be increased by cutting on particular XxY pattern
  - Could be used to reject background in offline analysis, but affects trigger rates/inefficiencies in timing detectors





#### Rates of double taggs

- MB interaction hits one detector in 2% cases
- Fake double tag in 0.01% cases
- Pythia 6 predicts by about factor 10 higher rates then Pythia8





#### Suppression of pile-up

• Require difference between proton arrival times compatible with primary vertex

$$z_0 = \frac{c}{2} (t_1 - t_2)$$
  $\Delta t_{1,2} = 10 \text{ ps} \rightarrow \Delta z_0 = 2.1 \text{ mm}$ 

 Smearing both in time and position rejection at 1σ level (2.1mm)

#### Summary:

Acceptance

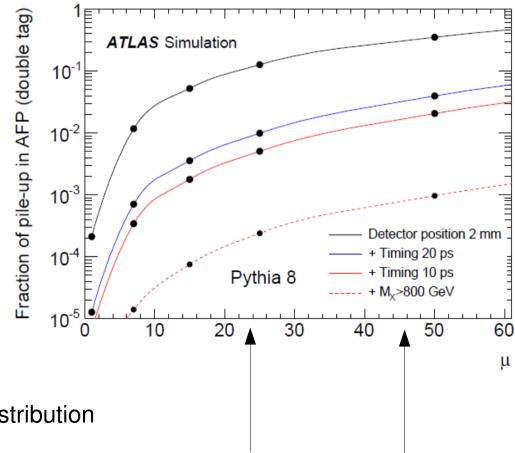
$$\mu = 23$$
:  $10^{-1}$   $\mu = 46$ :  $3x10^{-1}$ 

• +10ps timing

$$\mu = 23$$
:  $4x10^{-3}$   $\mu = 46$ :  $2x10^{-2}$ 

+High mass W>800GeV

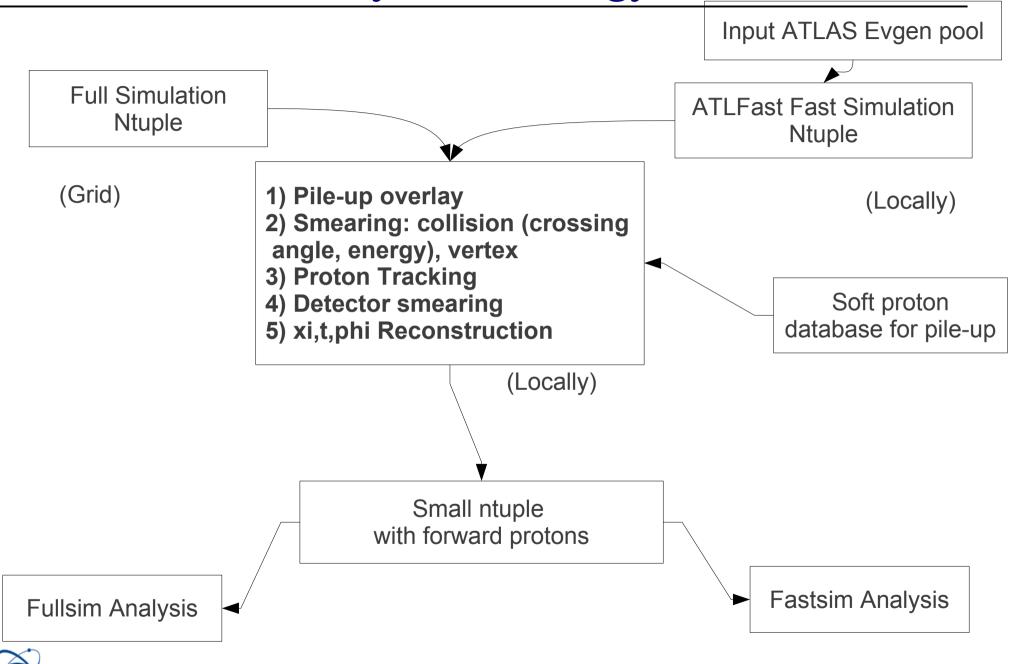
$$\mu = 23$$
:  $2x10^{-4}$   $\mu = 46$ :  $10^{-3}$ 



• Can be parametrized using multinomial distribution



# Simulation/Analysis Strategy



# Overlay-Tracking Package

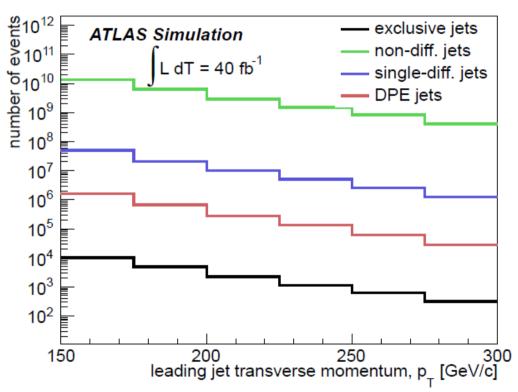
- 1) Pile-up overlay
- 2) Smearing: collision (crossing angle, energy), vertex
- 3) Proton Tracking
- 4) Detector smearing
- 5) xi,t,phi Reconstruction

- Pre-selection of forward protons used for pile-up
  - Each background event has protons in AFP
  - Filter to have >=2 two protons in AFP
  - We do not loose events in analysis due to high mass W cut. Get the signal/background pile-up normalization right from efficiencies of these filters
- Smearing only protons, nothing done to objects in the cental detector
- Using FPTracker (P. Bussey) to transport protons, cross-checked with MadX
- Reconstruction xi, t, phi
  - Polynomial parameterization of the transport => inversion
  - Allows to study the impact of detector imperfections

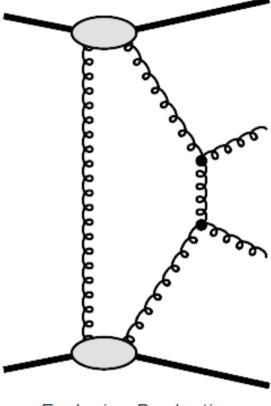


#### Exclusive dijets

- Just one example where this simulation framework was used
  - Exploit the complete kinematic correlation between central detector and AFP



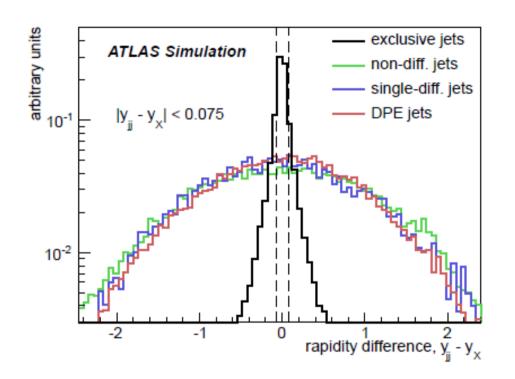
Six orders of magnitude to gain!

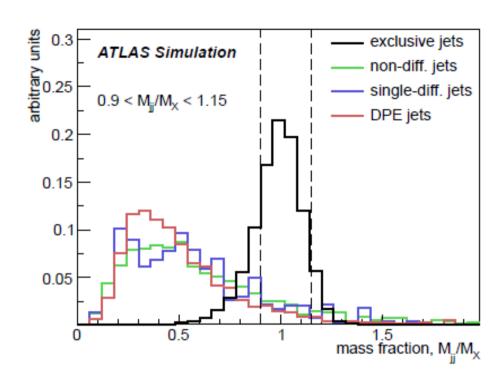


Exclusive Production



# Exploiting the exclusive kinematics





Difference,  $y_{jj} - y_X$ , of the rapidity of the jet system  $(y_{jj})$  and the rapidity of the proton system  $y_X = 0.5 \cdot \ln \left(\frac{\xi_1}{\xi_2}\right)$ 

Ratio of the jet system mass to the missing mass  $M_X = \sqrt{s \cdot \xi_1 \cdot \xi_2}$ 



# Segmentation of timing detector

- At high pile-up the timing detector suffers from inefficiencies
  - In events in which two protons hit the same bar the time measurement is lost
- 10 bars detector, 2mm width for all bars

Inefficiencies - Scenario 2										
Bar	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
$\mu = 50$	0.129	0.085	0.067	0.057	0.049	0.046	0.043	0.040	0.036	0.011
$\mu = 100$	0.185	0.122	0.097	0.082	0.071	0.066	0.062	0.057	0.051	0.016
$\mu = 300$	0.226	0.149	0.118	0.100	0.087	0.081	0.077	0.071	0.063	0.020

- Rates of multiple protons / bar large close to the beam
- Should be kept in mind for a design for high-luminosity (pixelisation?)



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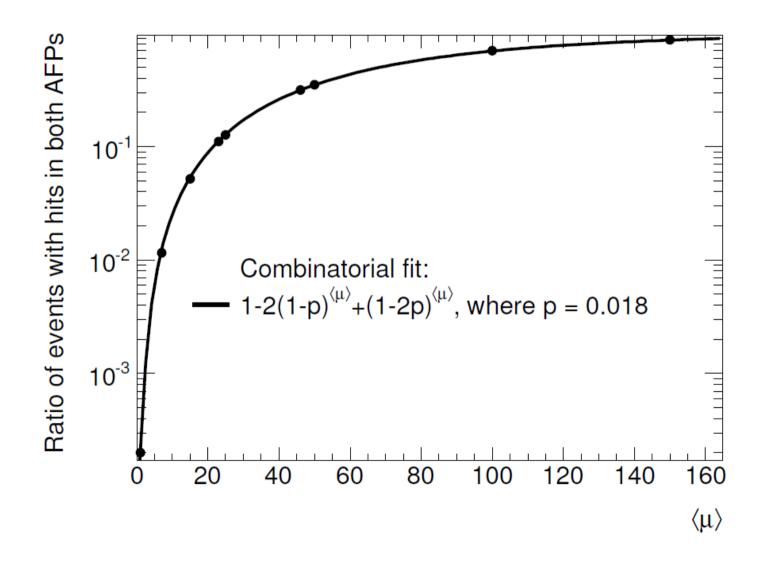
- Within AFP we have a working setup to analyze impact of pile-up in physics analysis
- Not depending on ATLAS Software, though using interface
- Can be adjusted to work on general HepMC format, and shared if needed



# Backup

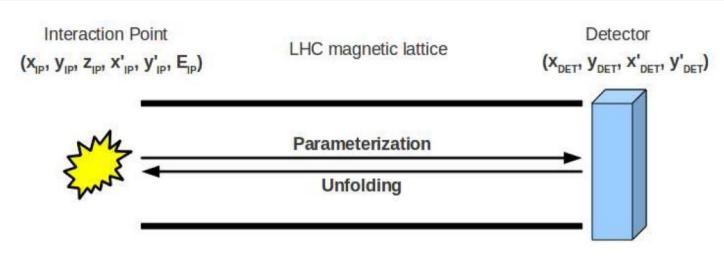


#### Combinatorics



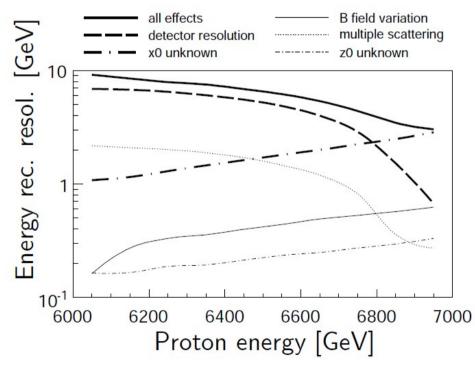


#### Proton kinematic reconstruction



Knowing proton position at both AFP stations one can reconstruct energy and momentum at the Interaction Point.

The energy reconstruction resolution is **better than 10 GeV**!





#### Kinematics

- Acceptance large for  $0.012 < \xi < 0.14$
- Good resolution in ξ, not so great resolution in p<sub>τ</sub>
- Tag protons in both stations to reconstruct mass (resolution ~ 1-2% depending on mass)
- Timing detectors, mass trigger at L1 from course bars (quart/diamonds)

