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# Pile-up Suppression in Missing Transverse Momentum Reconstruction in ATLAS

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## Contributions

Hard objects –  $E_T^{\text{miss,HardTerm}}$

Identified and fully calibrated particles like leptons and photons

Fully calibrated Anti- $k_T$   $R = 0.4$  jets – including pile-up corrections

Soft signals –  $E_T^{\text{miss,SoftTerm}}$

TopoCluster and tracks not used in hard object reconstruction

## Composition

Reconstruction sequence

Reflects reconstruction quality – default: (1) electrons, (2) photons, (3) taus, (4) jets, (5) muons, (6) soft signals

Object filters

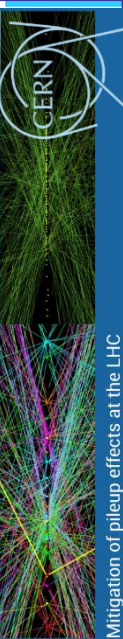
Kinematics ( $p_T$  thresholds and  $\eta$  selections)

Reconstruction quality

Event signal ambiguity resolution

Based on accepted objects from reconstruction sequence

Vetoes use of lower priority distribution if signal is shared with accepted object – object based, no geometrical assumptions



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## MET in ATLAS (reconstructed in $|\eta| < 4.9$ )

### Missing transverse momentum components

$$E_{x(y)}^{\text{miss}} = E_{x(y)}^{\text{miss,HardTerm}} + E_{x(y)}^{\text{miss,SoftTerm}} = - \sum_{\text{hard objects}} p_{x(y)} - \sum_{\text{soft signals}} p_{x(y)},$$

$$\mathbf{E}_T^{\text{miss}} = (E_x^{\text{miss}}, E_y^{\text{miss}}), \quad \text{Missing transverse momentum vector}$$

$$E_T^{\text{miss}} = |\mathbf{E}_T^{\text{miss}}| = \sqrt{(E_x^{\text{miss}})^2 + (E_y^{\text{miss}})^2}, \quad \text{Missing transverse momentum (MET)}$$

$$\Sigma E_T = \Sigma E_T^{\text{HardTerm}} + \Sigma E_T^{\text{SoftTerm}} = \sum_{\text{hard objects}} p_T + \sum_{\text{soft signals}} p_T.$$

### Scalar transverse momentum sum (SumET)



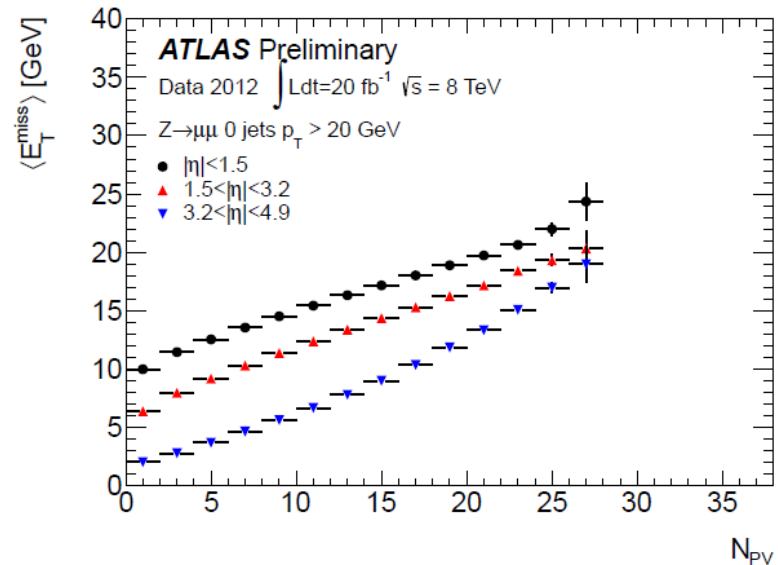
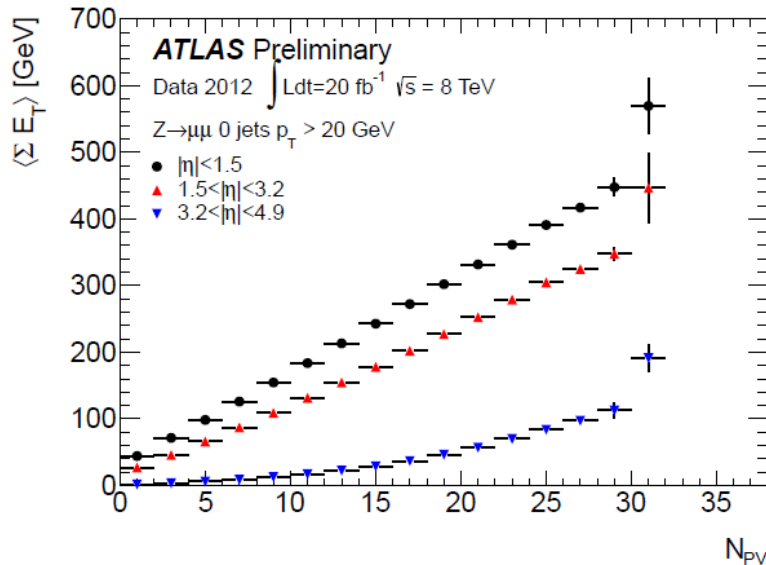
## Calorimeter region dependence

Different signal shapes in the LAr calorimeters

Different out-of-time/in-time pile-up cancellations due to sensitivity to bunch spacing (50 ns in 2012 not ideal, 25 ns better)

Different acceptances

Dead materials, signal formation, cluster corrections, ...



**$Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ , no jets with  $p_T > 20 \text{ GeV} \Rightarrow$  only muon and soft term contributions to MET**



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## MET pile-up corrections

Hard term contributions are expected to be corrected for pile-up

Only jet contribution to MET is filtered by JVF cut ( $JVF > 0$  for jets  $|\eta| < 2.4$  – at least weak association with hard-scatter vertex for central jets)

SoftTerm is not corrected a priori

Observables with large dependence on final state reconstruction selections – inhomogeneous signal with contributions from e.g. jetty structures below threshold, single soft particles, residual pile-up fluctuations...

No universal calibration reference (“truth”) available a priori – needs pile-up corrections

Challenges for SoftTerm pile-up corrections

Transverse momentum flow pattern from UE belonging to hard scatter very similar to pile-up induced signal structures

Pile-up can “hide” even relatively significant local hadronic activity like the hadronic recoil in Z or W production



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## Track-based corrections

### Soft Term Vertex Fraction

Use ratio of summed  $p_T$  from SoftTerm tracks coming from the hard scatter vertex  $V_{HS}$  to the  $p_T$  sum of all tracks contributing to the SoftTerm (one factor per event)

Applied to SoftTerm signals everywhere – underlying idea is that central PU activity has some correlation with forward activity

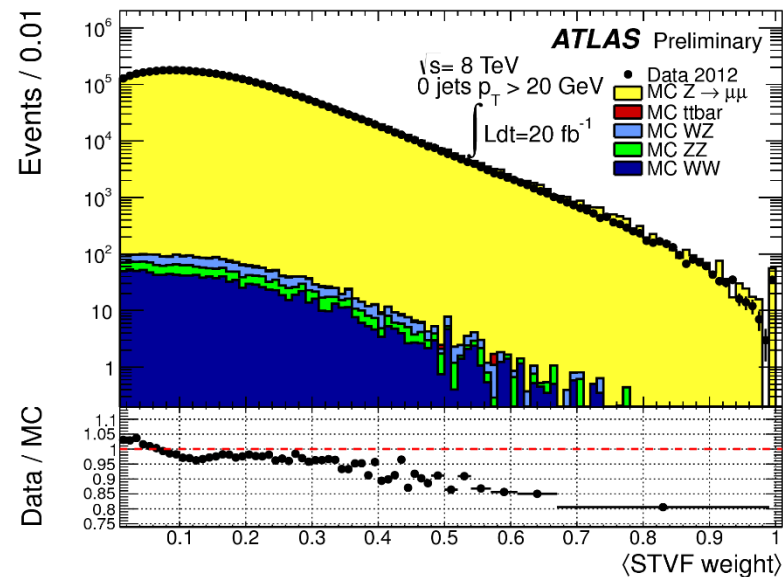
Sensitive to (hard scatter and pile-up) vertex reconstruction efficiency

$$STVF = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{trk}}(V_{\text{HS}})} p_{T,i}^{\text{trk}}(V_{\text{HS}})}{\sum_{k=1}^{N_{\text{PV}}} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{trk}}(V_k)} p_{T,i}^{\text{trk}}(V_k)}$$

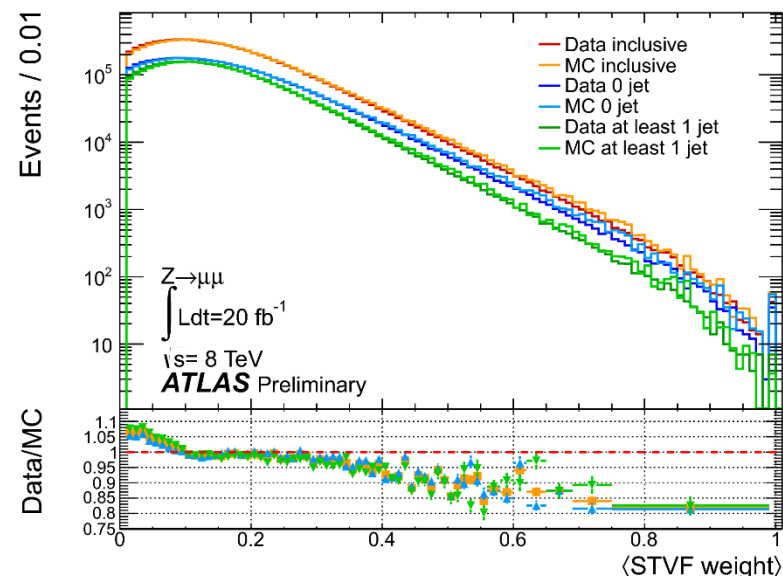
$$E_{x(y),\text{corr}}^{\text{miss,SoftTerm}} = STVF \cdot E_{x(y)}^{\text{miss,SoftTerm}}$$

$$E_{T,\text{corr}}^{\text{miss,SoftTerm}} = STVF \cdot E_T^{\text{miss,SoftTerm}}$$

$$\sum E_{T,\text{corr}}^{\text{SoftTerm}} = STVF \cdot \sum E_T^{\text{SoftTerm}}$$



more ← pile-up → less



## Jet-area-based suppression

### Strategy

Use correction similar to (hard) jet ( $p_T > 20$  GeV)

Requires signals with catchment area – cluster SoftTerm signals into jets with  $p_T \geq 0$  (*filter-jets*)

Calculate  $\rho$  from SoftTerm signals only and filter jets

$$p_{T,i}^{\text{jet}} = \begin{cases} 0 & p_{T,i}^{\text{filter-jet}} < \rho_{\text{evt}}^{\text{med}}(\eta_i^{\text{filter-jet}}) \cdot A_i^{\text{filter-jet}} \\ p_{T,i}^{\text{filter-jet}} - \rho_{\text{evt}}^{\text{med}}(\eta_i^{\text{filter-jet}}) \cdot A_i^{\text{filter-jet}} & p_{T,i}^{\text{filter-jet}} \geq \rho_{\text{evt}}^{\text{med}}(\eta_i^{\text{filter-jet}}) \cdot A_i^{\text{filter-jet}} \end{cases}$$

Like soft event trimming with sub-jet  $p_T$ -threshold defined by  $\rho$

### $\rho$ calculation (FastJet 2.4.x)

Cluster SoftTerm into jets with  $p_T \geq 0$  ( $\rho$ -jets) – can be the same as filter-jets (see configurations later)

Calculate median transverse momentum density from  $\rho$ -jets

### Challenges

Need to provide  $\rho(\eta)$  for  $|\eta| < 4.9$  – forward calorimeter response to soft activity



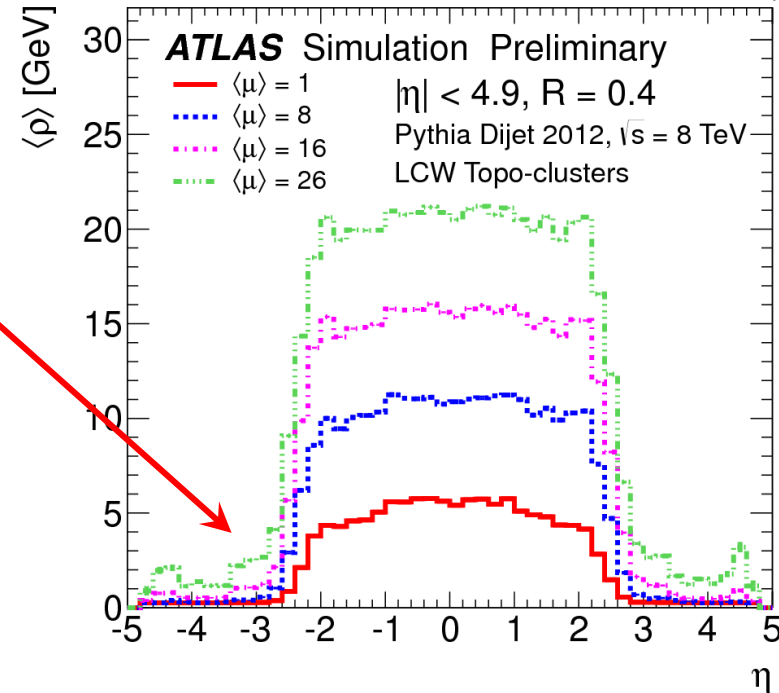
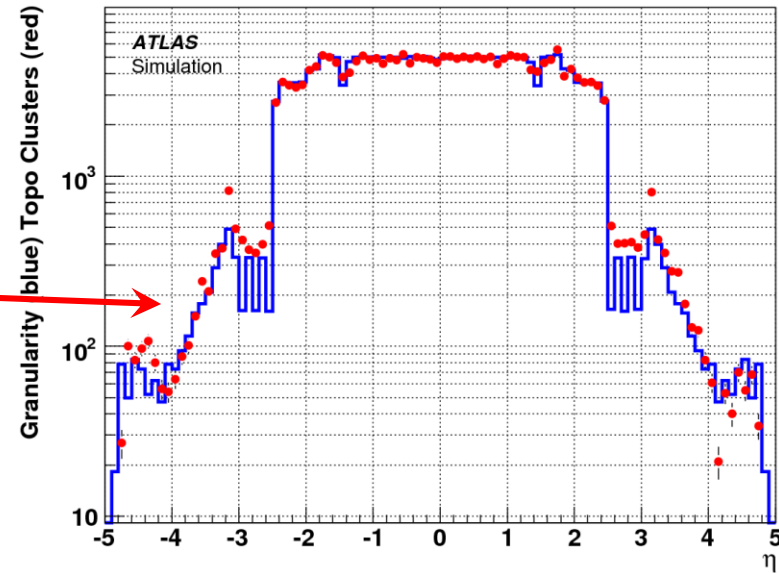
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## Effect from calorimeter granularity

TopoCluster density drops sharply when granularity decreases in forward direction

Region sparsely populated with TopoClusters = 4-vectors  
Biases  $\rho$  reconstruction towards smaller values – even 0 (median!)

Drop severely steeper than expected from physics!





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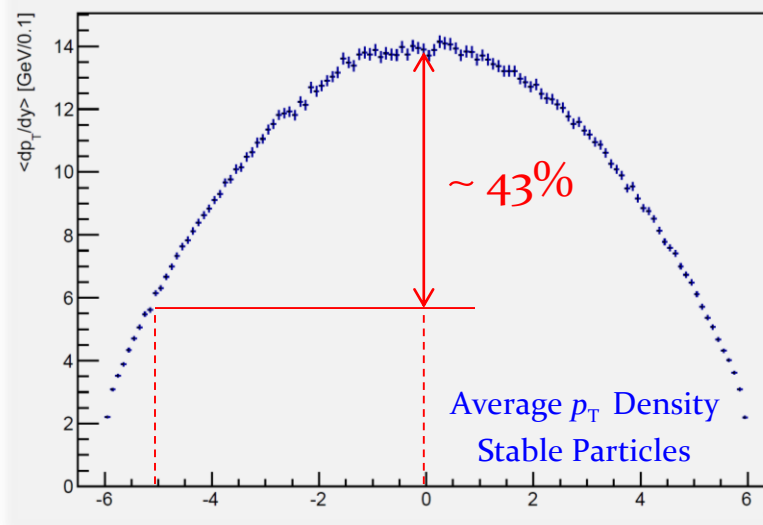
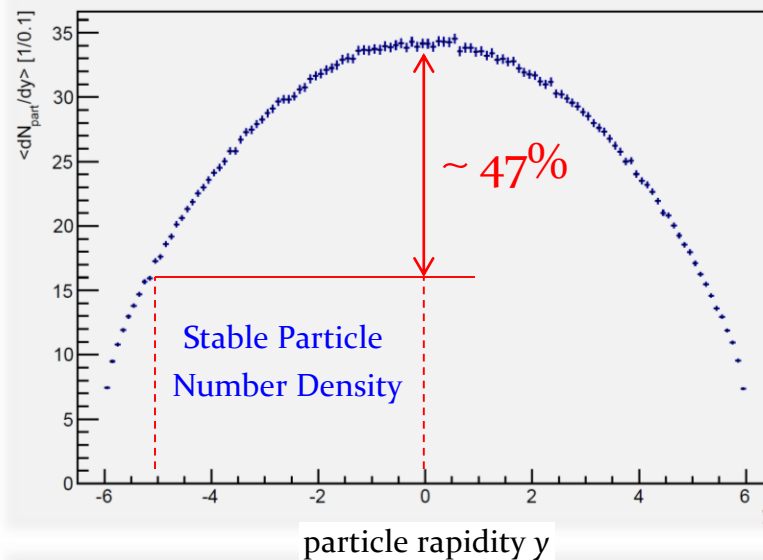
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Pythia 8 MB (Tune 4C)  
All stable particles  
(no  $p_T$  cut)  
 $\langle \mu \rangle = 30, \sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$



## Forward region $\rho$ determination

Determine  $\rho$  with  $\rho$ -jets in central region  $|\eta| < 2...$

Flat  $p_T$  density

... and extrapolate to forward region  $|\eta| > 2$

Average relative extrapolation shapes determined with **average**  $p_T$  collected in sliding  $\eta$ -windows

$$[\eta - \Delta\eta/2, \eta + \Delta\eta/2]$$

$$\Delta\eta = 1.6, \delta\eta = 0.1$$

in MB events in data

Shapes are dependent on the pile-up condition ( $N_{PV}, \mu$ ) - shape functions fully parameterized for all conditions

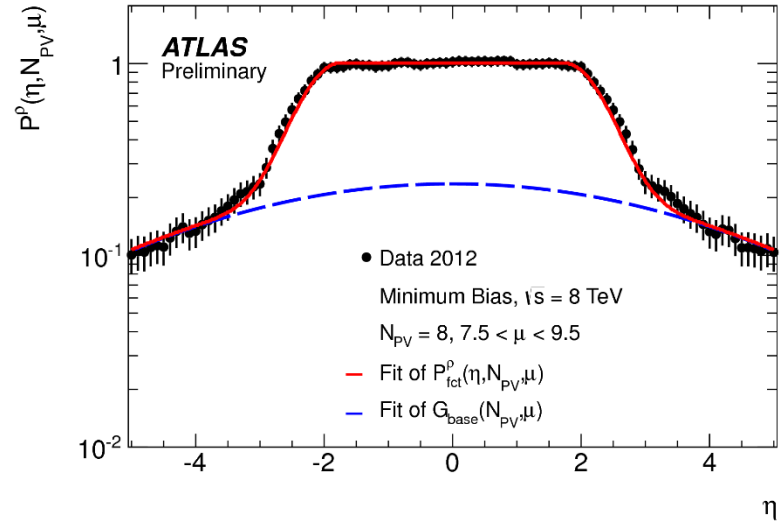
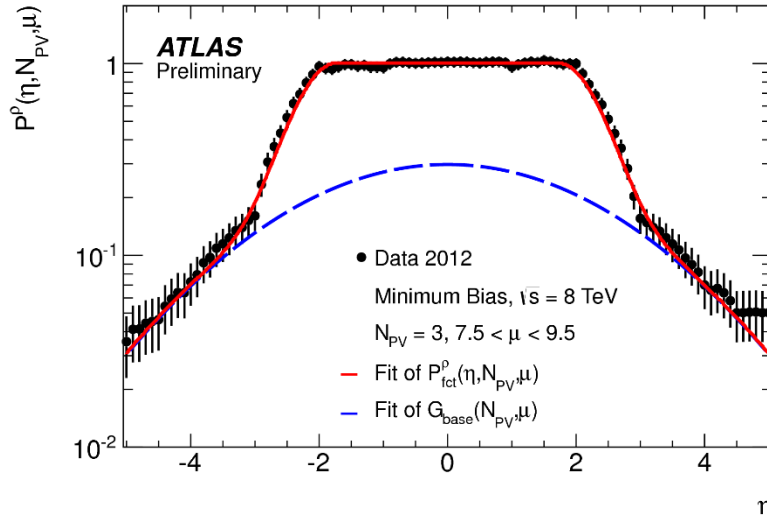
Shapes found to be universal in data and MC

$p_T$  density drop dominated by well simulated detector effects – not “hard to model right” soft physics

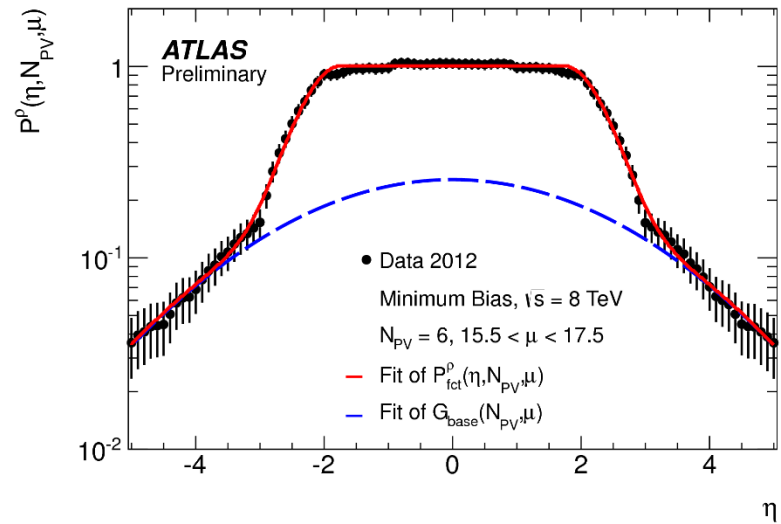
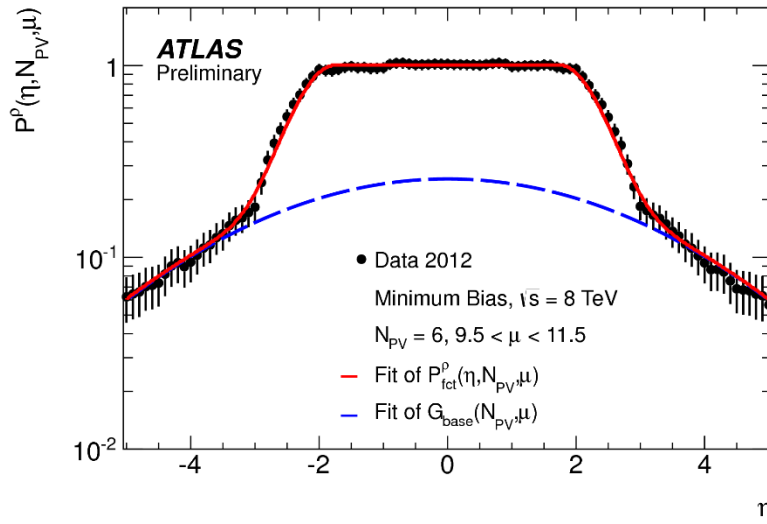


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 $N_{PV}$  increasing  $\longrightarrow$ 


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## Extrapolated Jet Area EJA

Calorimeter-only jet-area based correction with the same jets for  $\rho$ -reconstruction and filtering

$\rho$  is measured in central region and extrapolated to forward

## Extrapolated Jet Area Filter EJAF

Jet-area based correction with same (larger) jets or  $\rho$ -reconstruction and filtering

$\rho$  is measured in central region and extrapolated to forward

Selected SoftTerm jets are filtered in addition using tracks

## Jet Area Filter JAF

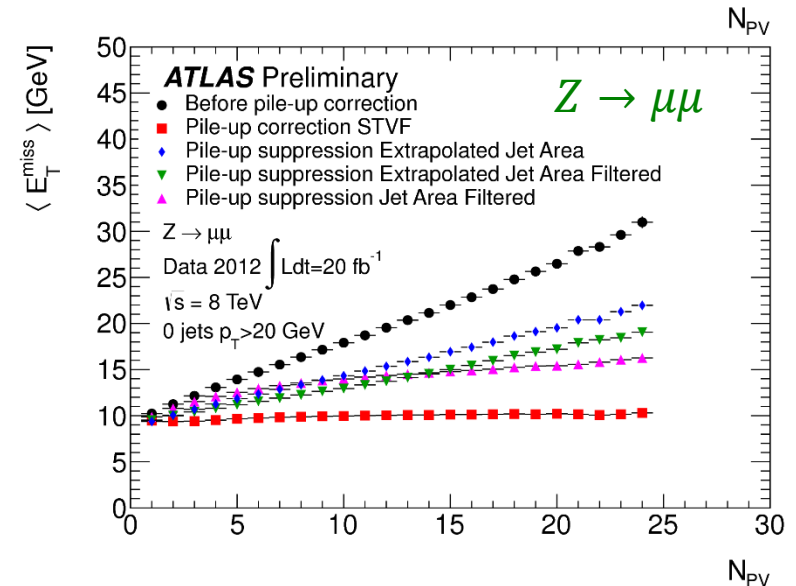
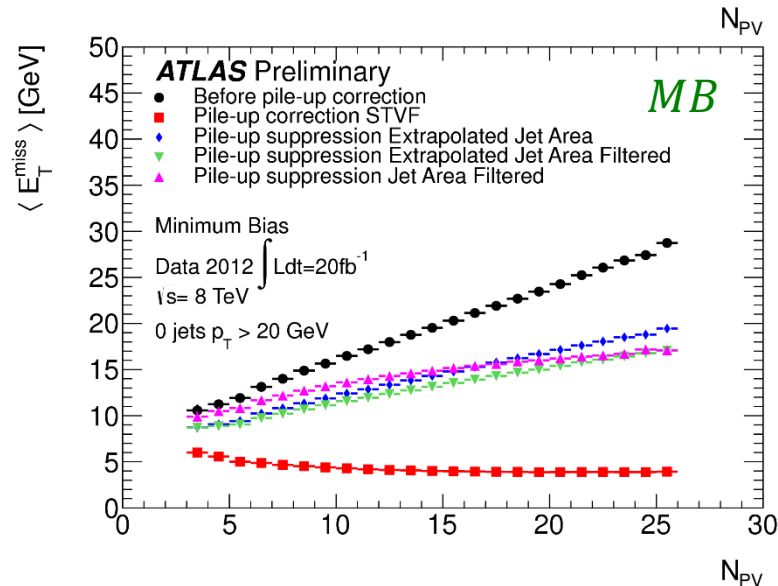
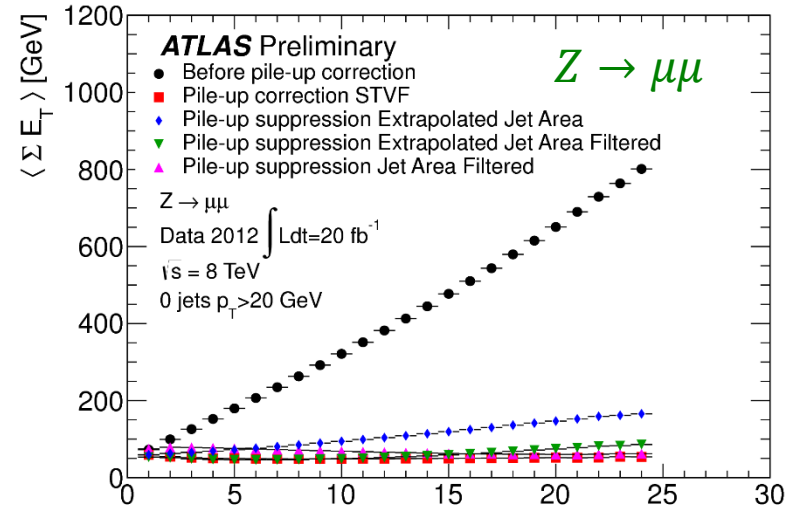
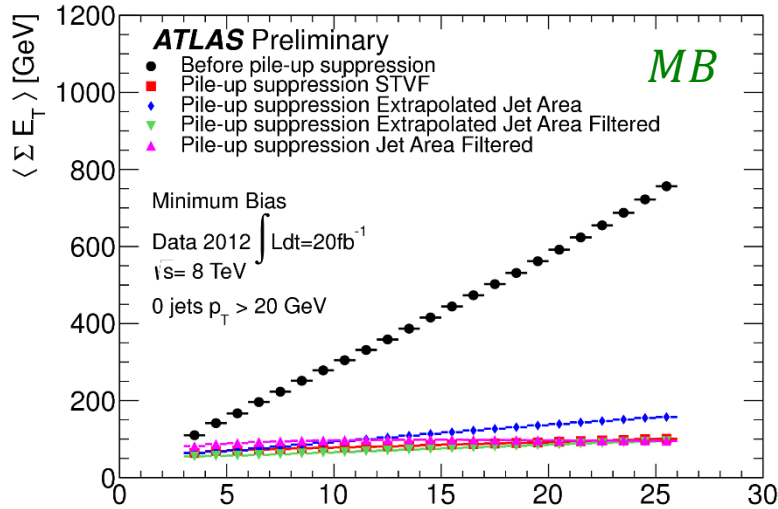
Jet-area based correction with two different jets for  $\rho$ -reconstruction and filtering

$\rho$  is measured including the forward region – no extrapolation

Selected SoftTerm jets are filtered in addition using tracks

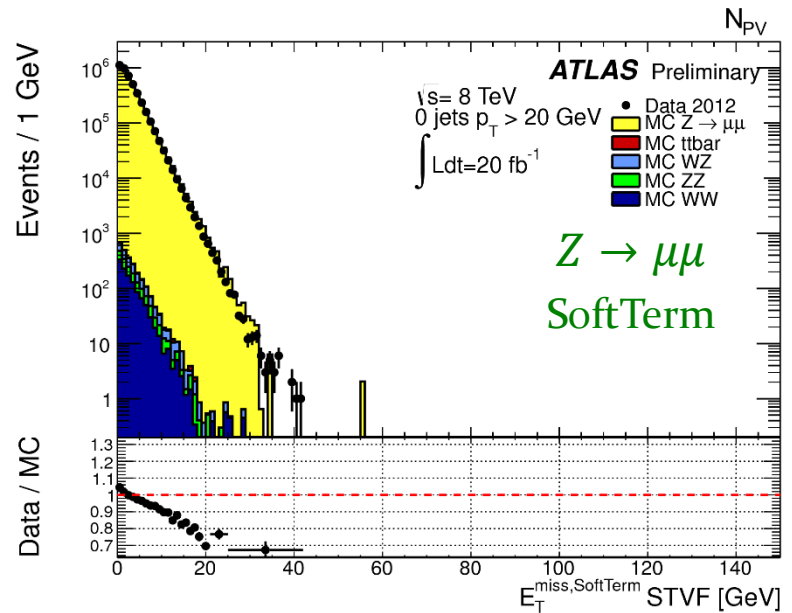
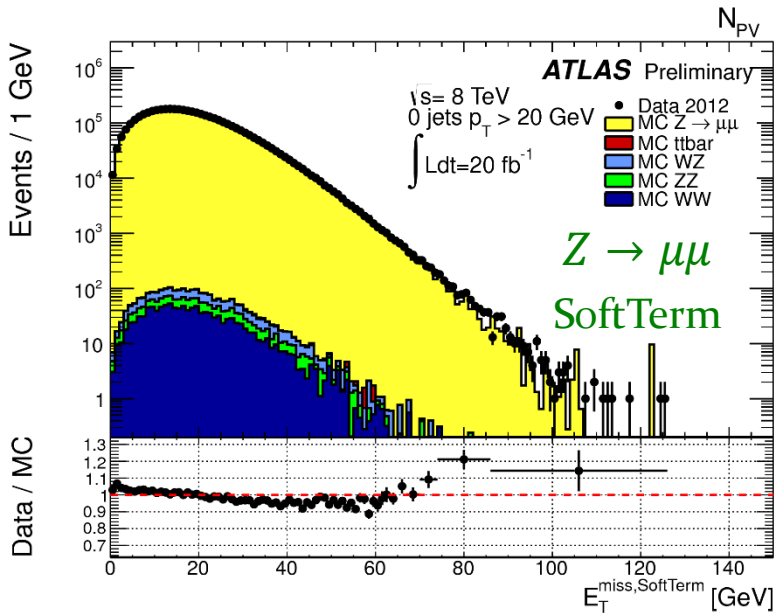
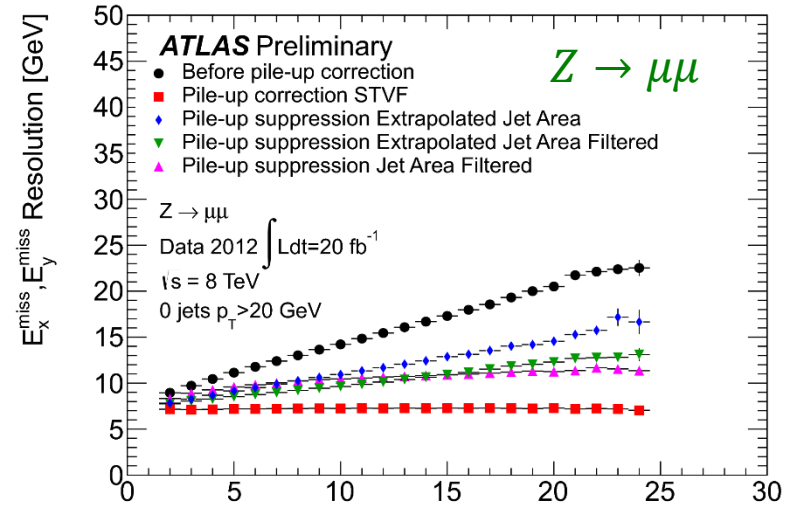
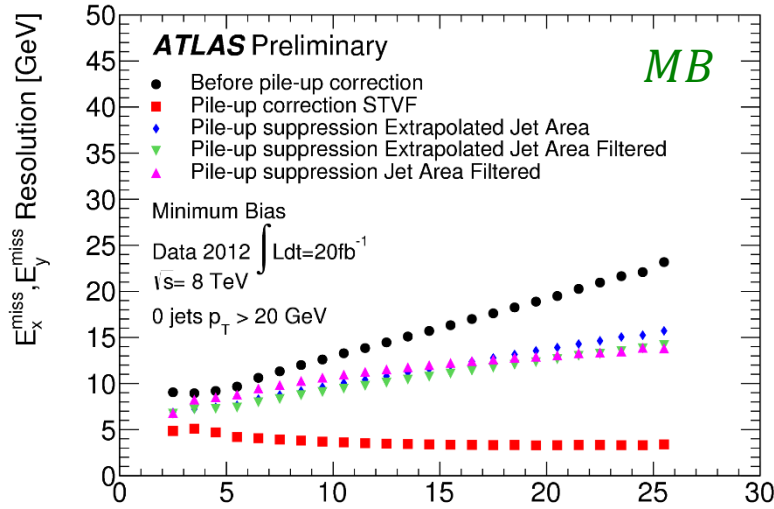
Name	Jet Algorithm	R	Filters
EJA	$\rho$ -jets: $k_T$	0.4	
	filter-jets: $k_T$	0.4	
EJAF	$\rho$ -jets: $k_T$	0.6	JVF > 0.25
	filter-jets: $k_T$	0.6	
JAF	$\rho$ -jets: $k_T$	0.8	JVF > 0.25
	filter-jets: $k_T$	0.4	

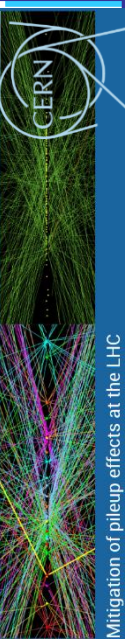
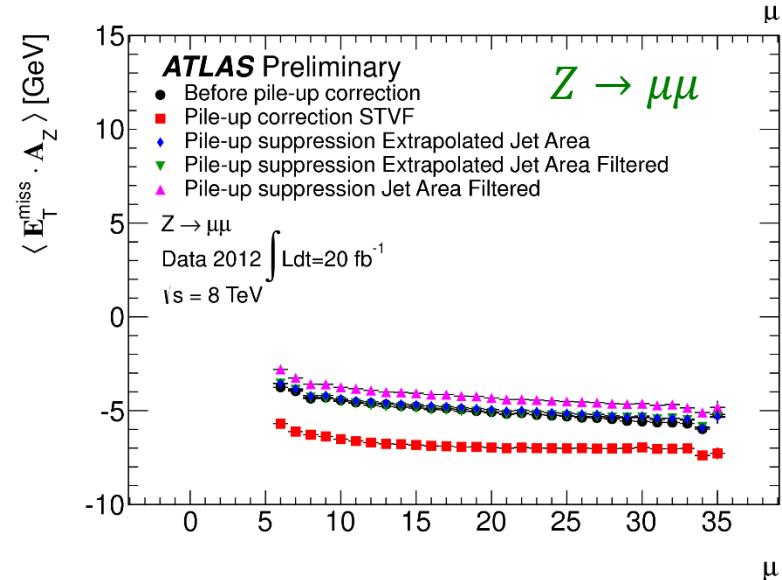
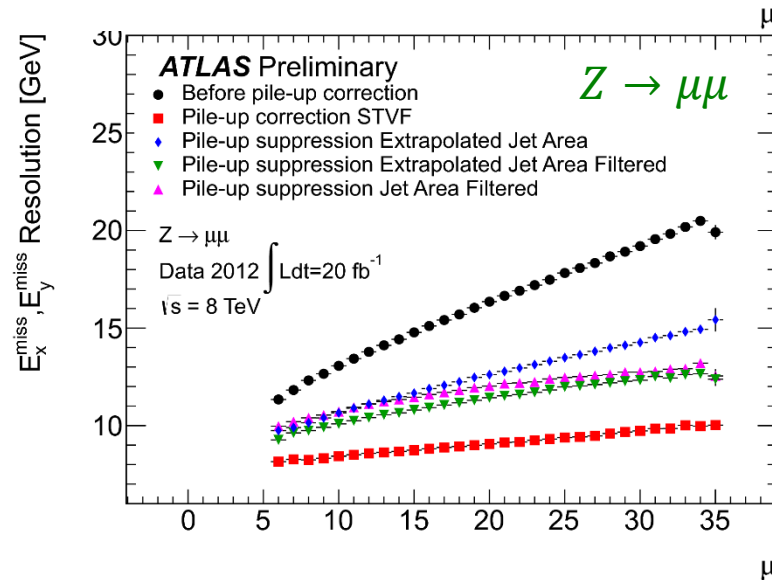
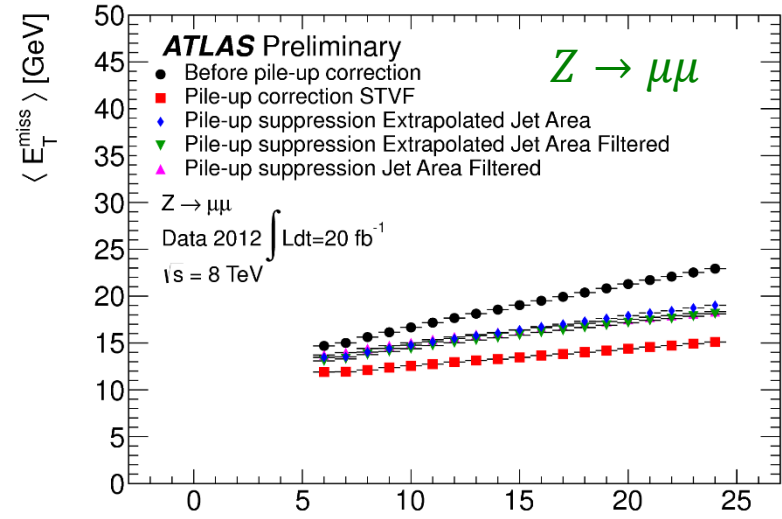
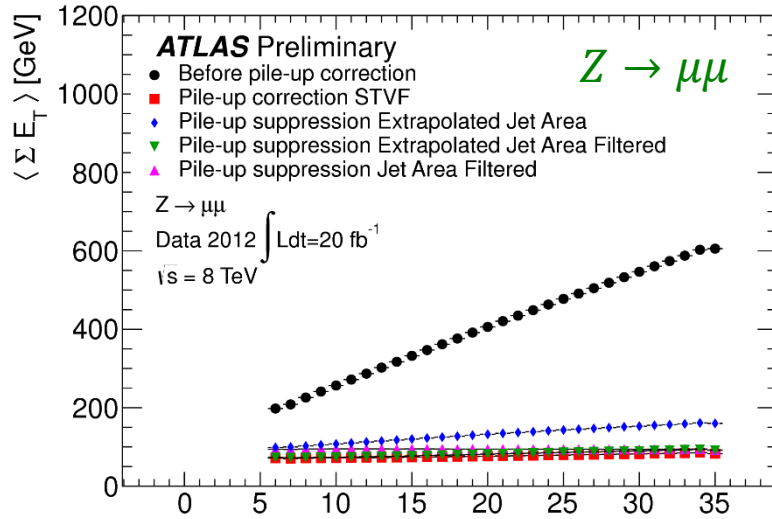
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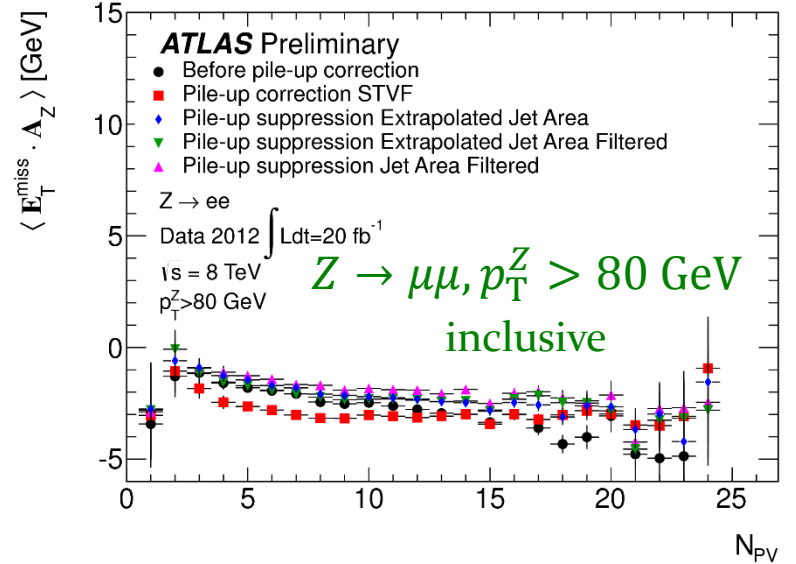
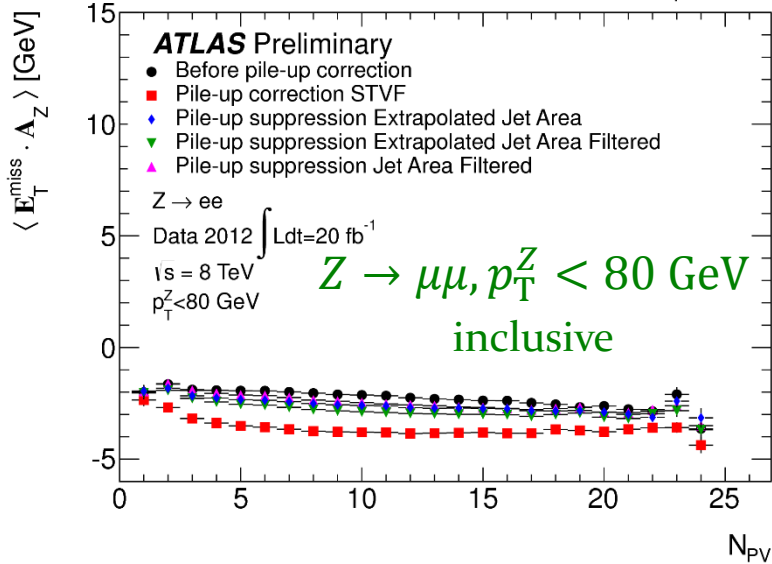
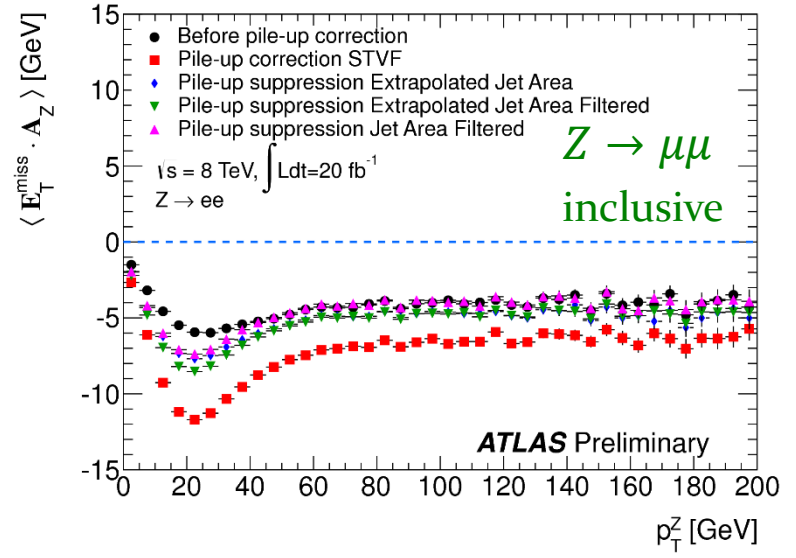
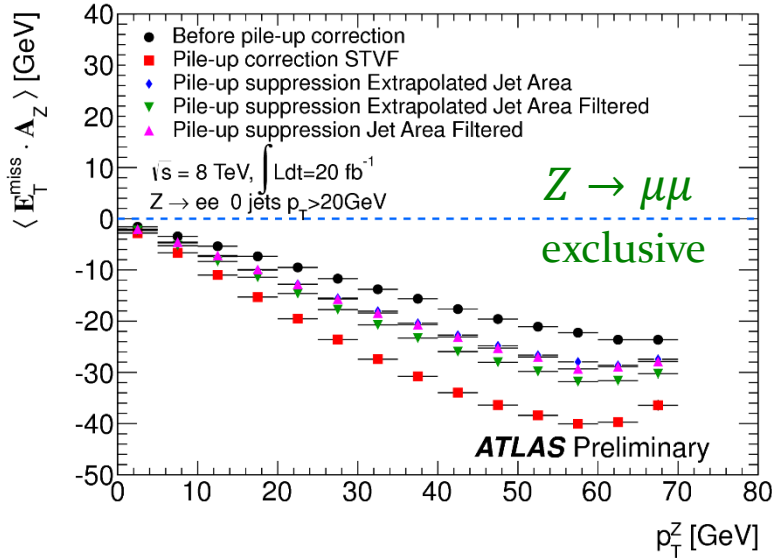
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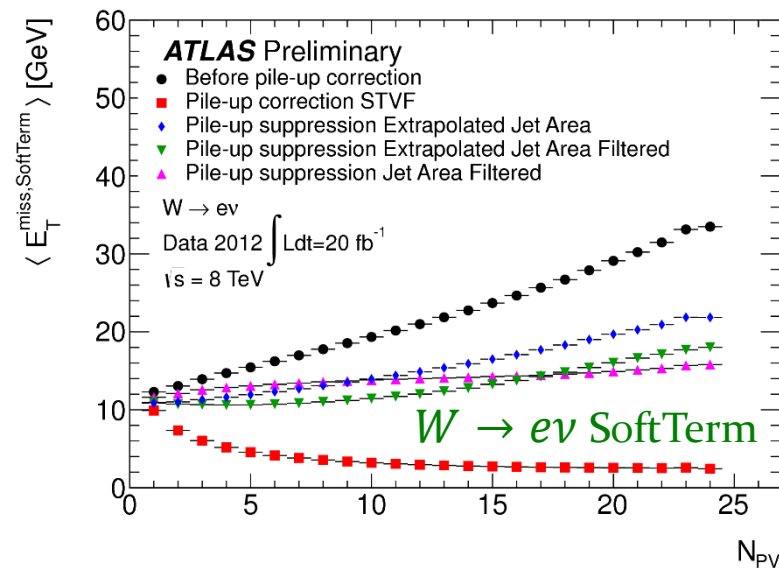
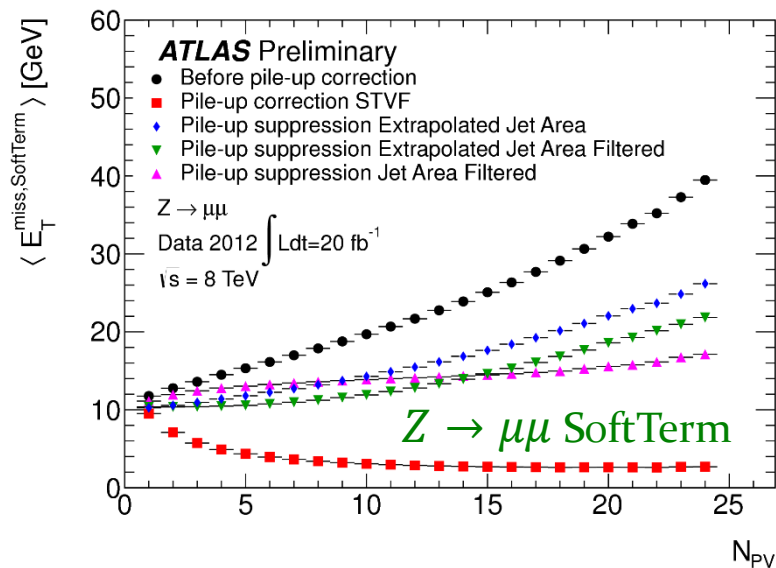
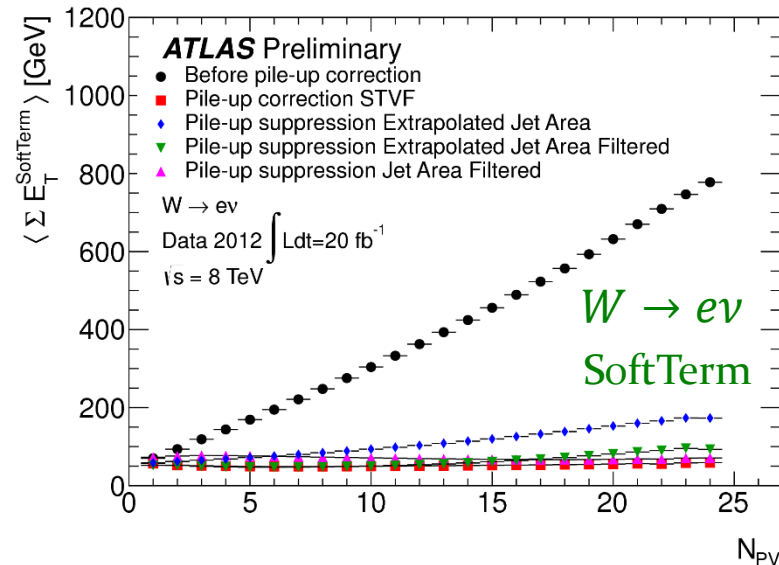
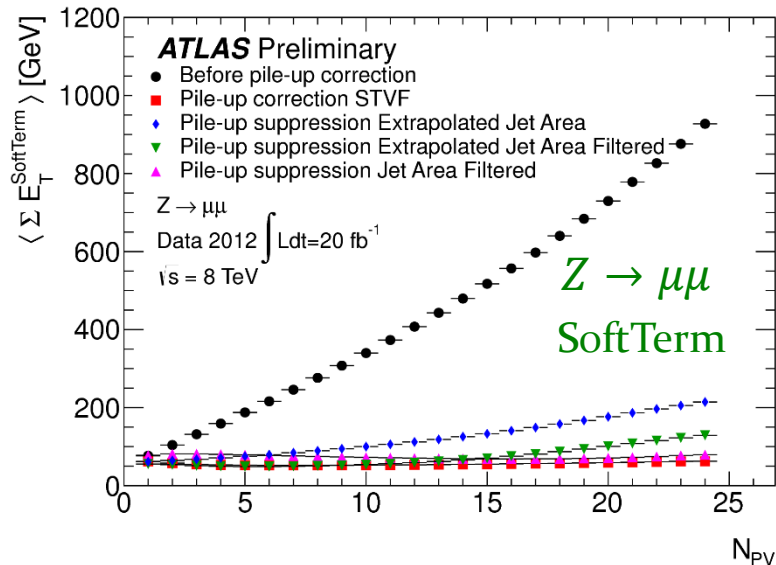
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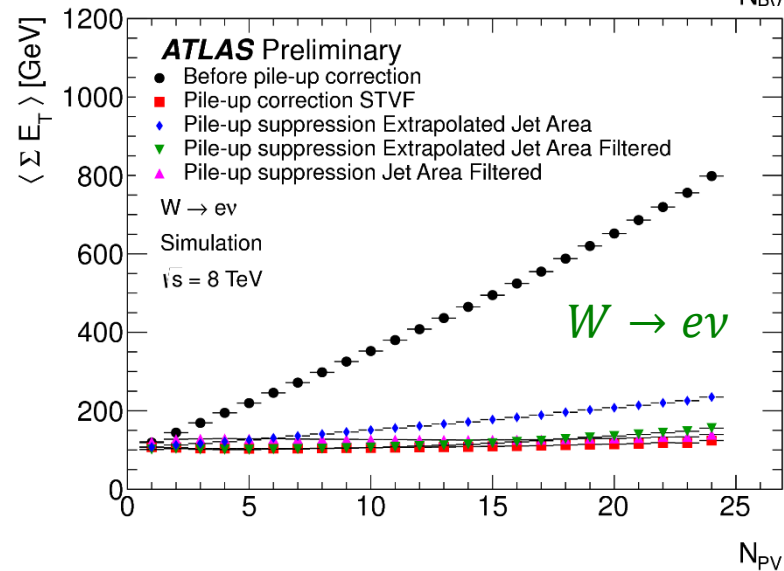
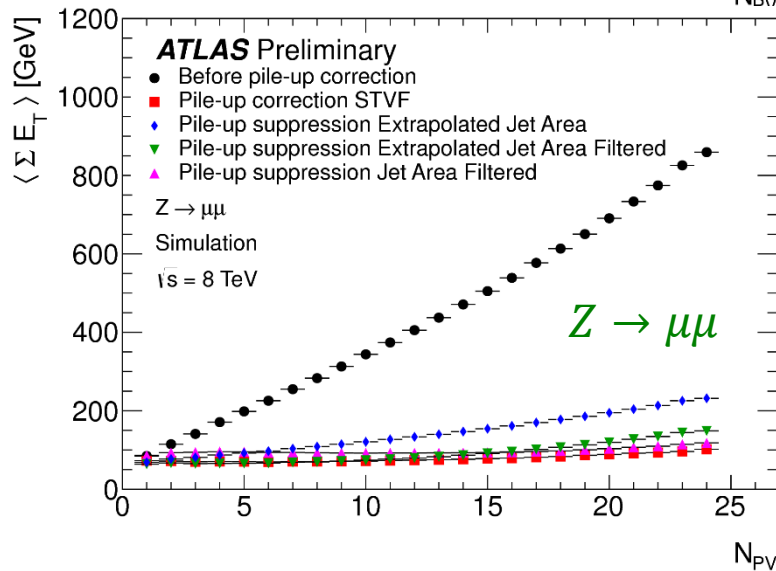
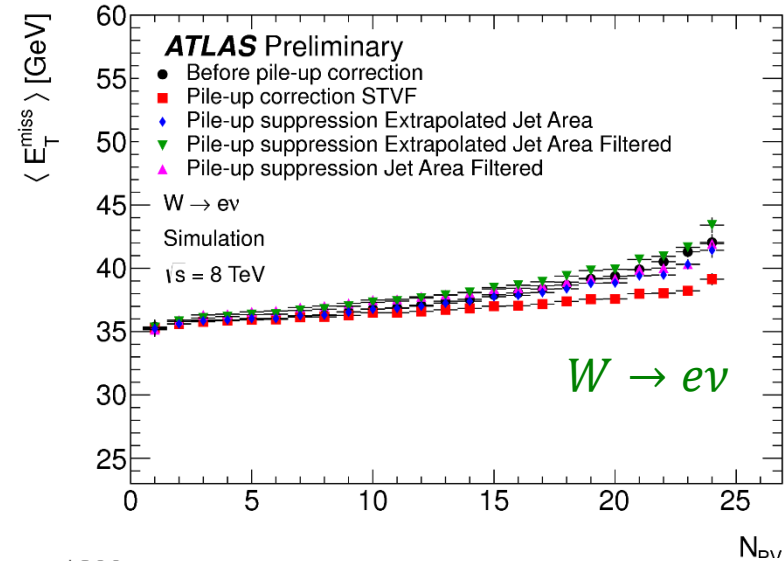
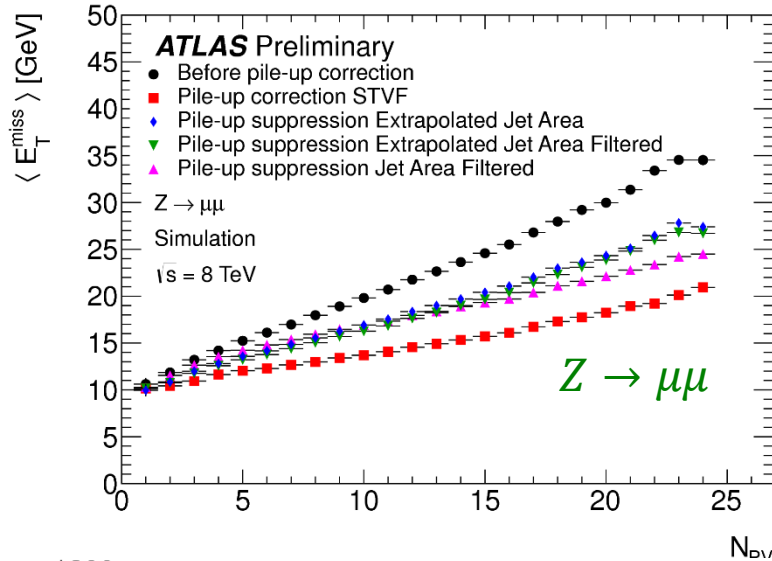




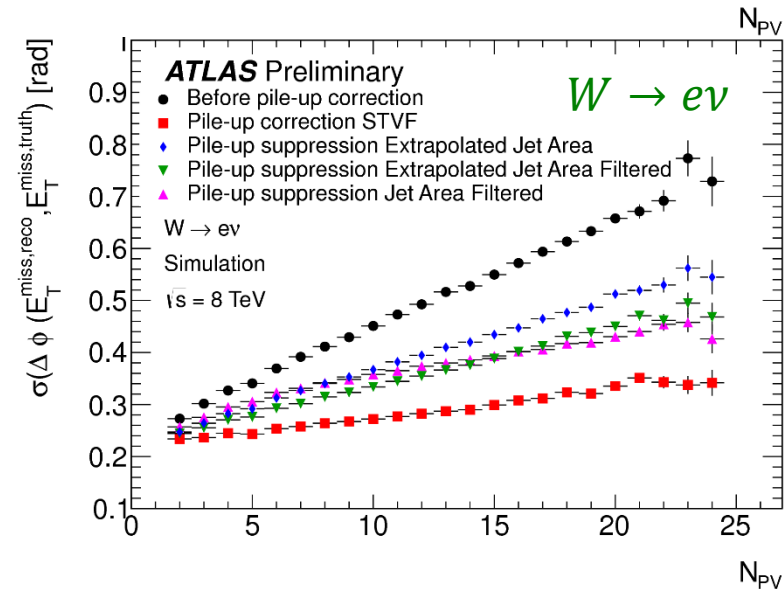
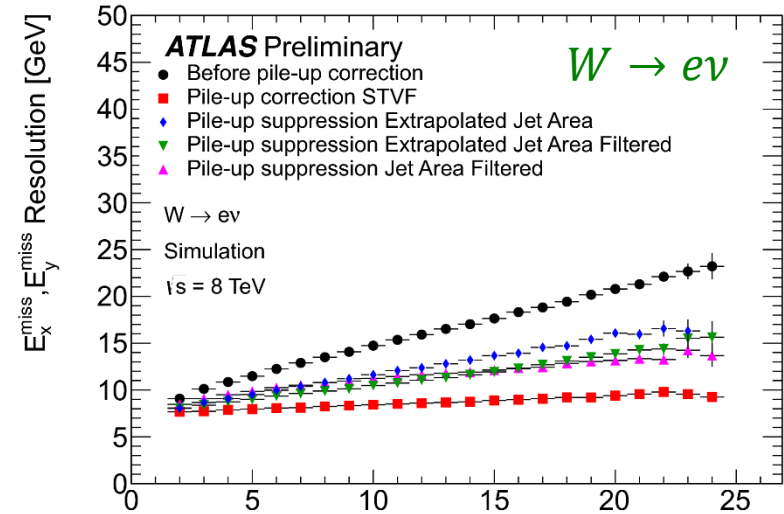
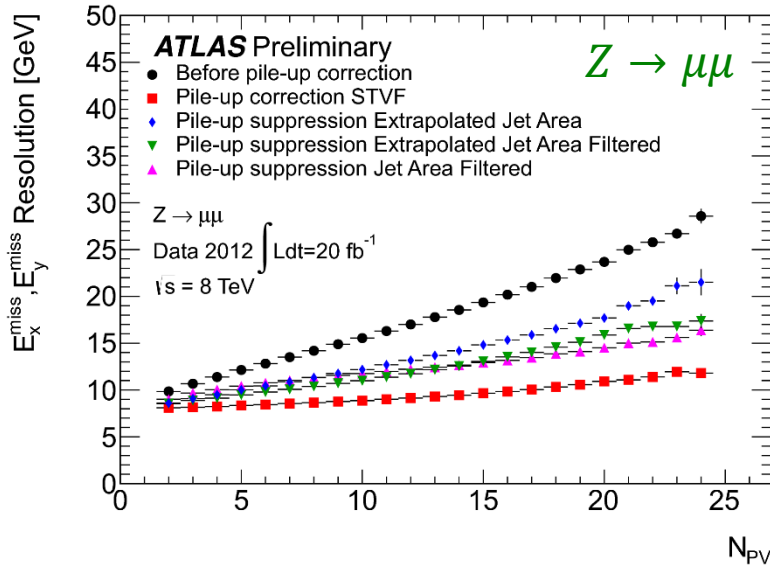
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## MET resolution

### Component resolution

Well controlled by pile-up mitigation techniques – best if tracking is used as well

### Angular resolution

Tracking-based mitigation techniques perform best



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## First attempt for MET SoftTerm pile-up suppression

Purely track-based (STVF), jet-area based (EJA) and combinations (EJAF, JAF)

Calorimetric jet-area based EJA alone does not perform that well – purely stochastic subtraction cannot reinstate performance w/o pile-up

Additional use of JVF improves performance (EJAF/JAF)

STVF performs best for MET resolution but suppresses MET scale – and suffers from the same problems as JVF at high pile-up (Pascal Nef's talk)

Calorimeter based methods do very well for SumET pile-up mitigation – important for analyses using MET significance

Particular choice is final state dependent

No universal recommendation – mostly hangs on importance of soft term and topology of energy flow

Jet-area based methods clearly an alternative for final states with track-starved hard-scatter vertex and genuine MET

## Further development

Use of GridMedianEstimator – moderates forward flow reconstruction problem

Replace extrapolation?

More dissection of MET soft term

Conglomerate of jetty and diffuse transverse momentum flow – better flow analysis at least in final states with considerable SoftTerm



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# Missing ET

- **Linearity of the response is within 1% up to  $\mu=140$** 
  - Achieve a correct missing ET scale
  - Positive bias at low missing ET is due to the finite resolution of the missing ET, and is highly dependent on the event topology
- **Missing ET resolution shifts upwards with pileup, but it does not change the slope with  $\mu$** 
  - Pileup affects the s-term of the resolution, but the k-term remains approximately constant
- **Large room for improvements using tracks to suppress pileup**

