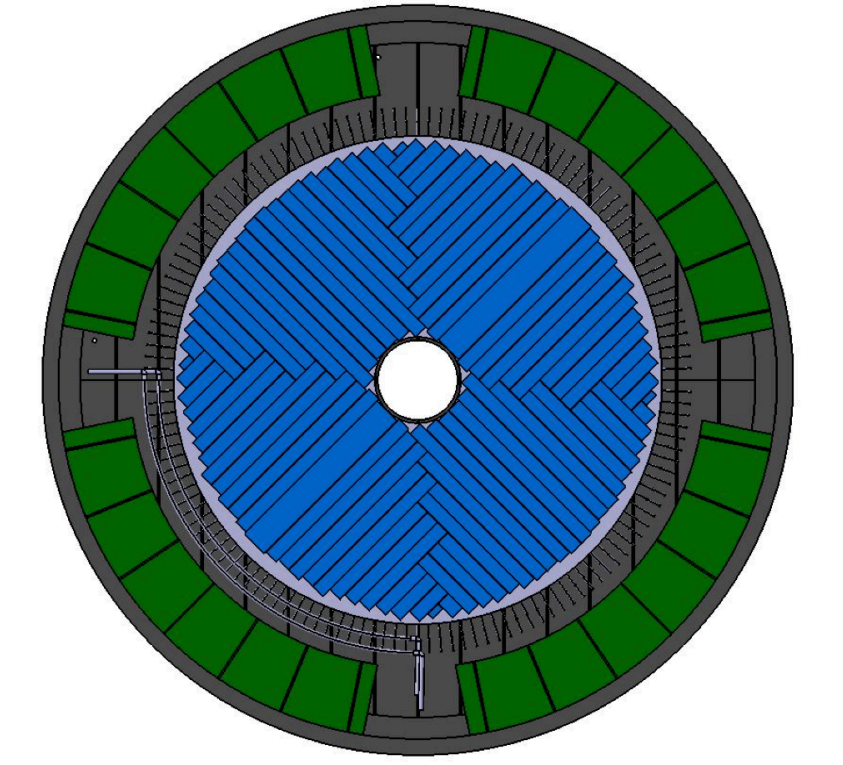
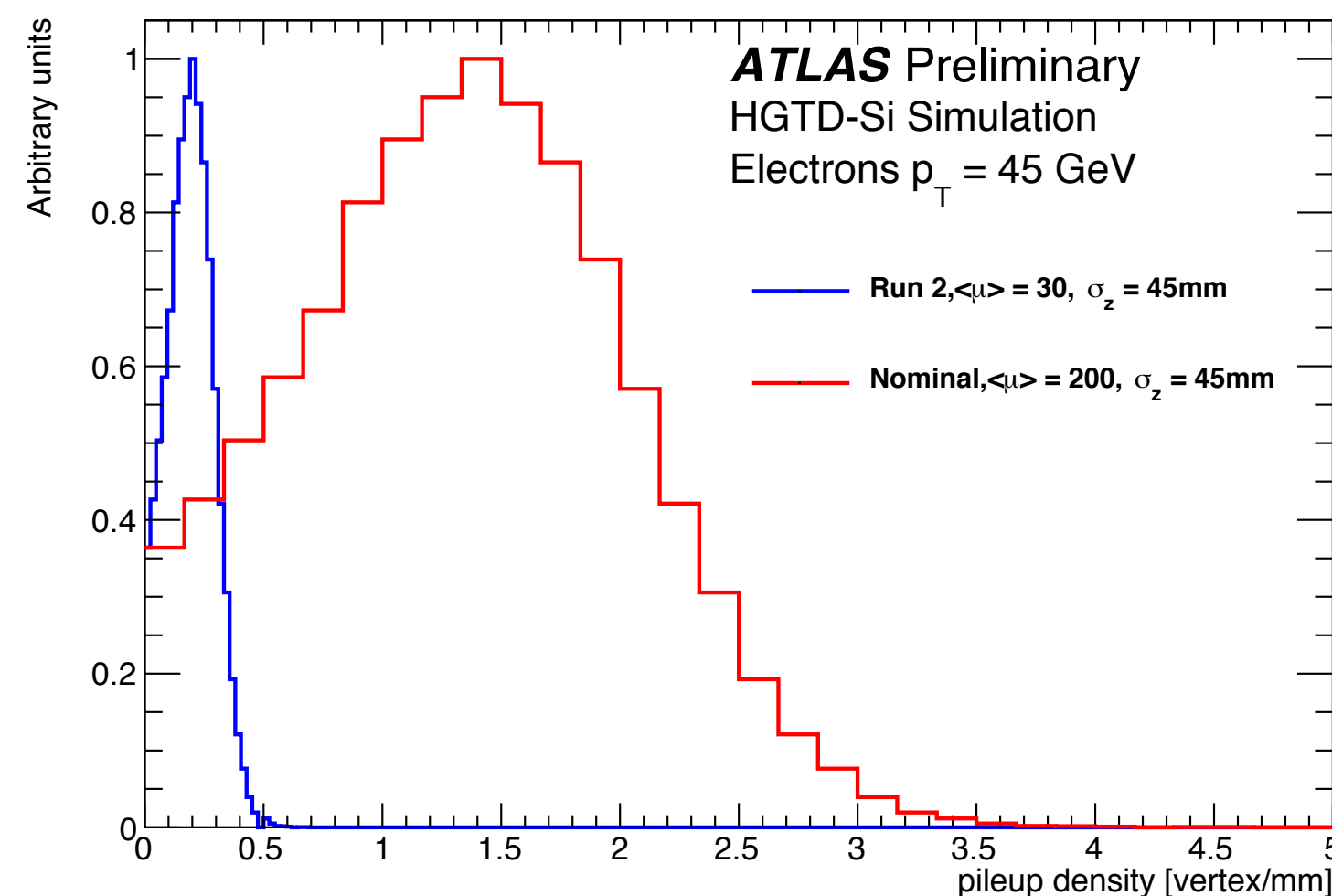


A High-Granularity Timing Detector (HGTD) in ATLAS : Performance at the HL-LHC

The High Granularity Timing Detector (HGTD) is a detector composed of silicon layers with pads of $1.3 \times 1.3 \text{ mm}^2$ that is proposed to be put in front of the end cap of ATLAS for the HL-LHC. The high granularity and excellent timing resolution adds new capabilities for physics analyses at the HL-LHC.



Pile-up Mitigation

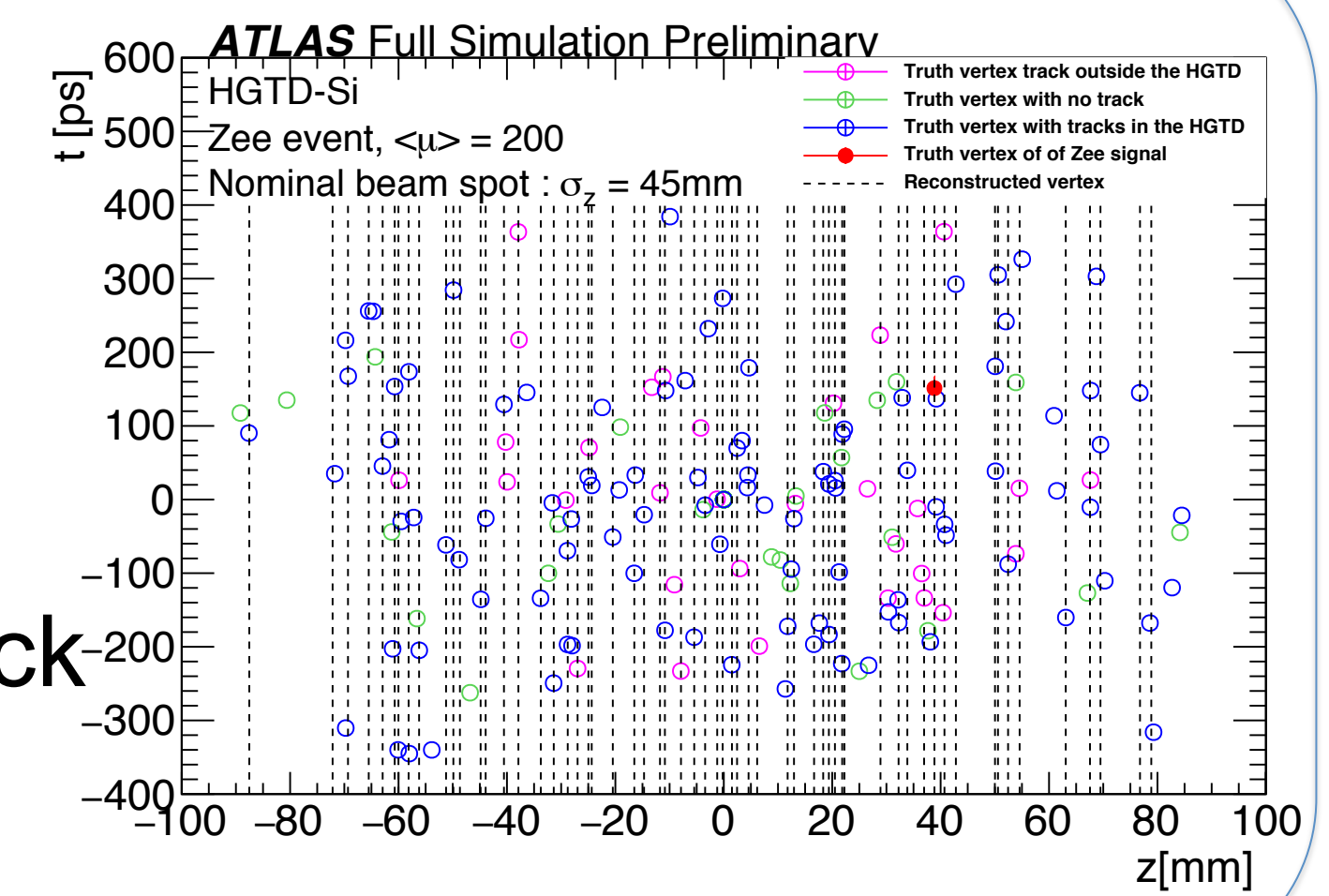


HL-LHC beam spot :

- 200 pileup (PU) interactions
- $\sigma_z = 150 \text{ ps}$ (45mm)
- $\sigma_t = 175 \text{ ps}$
- in average : 1.6 vertex/mm

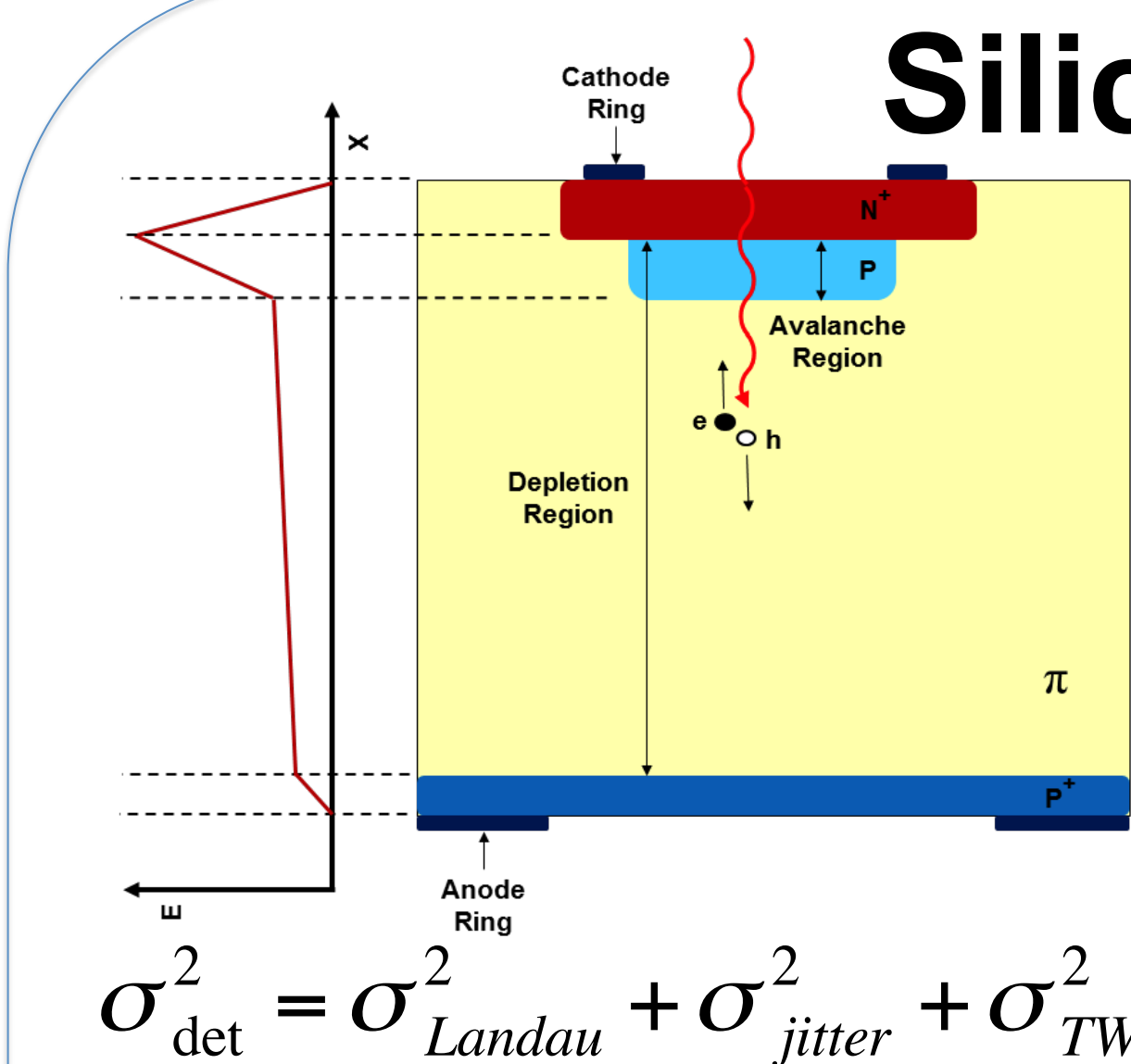
HGTD :

- Coverage : $2.4 < |\eta| < 4.0$
- End-caps : $z = \pm 3.5 \text{ m}$
- 30ps resolution per MIP
- Can assign a time to each track
- Time measurement resolves vertices merged in space



Silicon Sensors

- $1.3 \times 1.3 \text{ mm}^2$ pads
- LGAD sensors
- Moderate gain ≈ 20
- Thin sensors $\approx 50 \mu\text{m}$
- Good time resolution



$$\sigma_{\text{det}}^2 = \sigma_{\text{Landau}}^2 + \sigma_{\text{jitter}}^2 + \sigma_{\text{TW}}^2 + \sigma_{\text{TDC}}^2$$

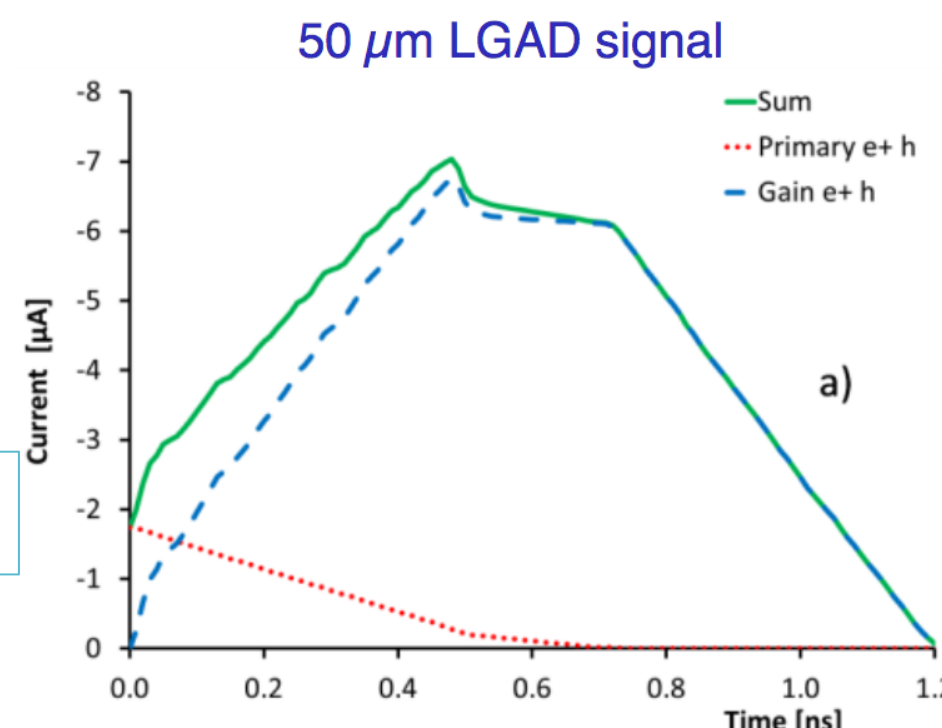
Thin sensor

Gain

t_{rise}
(S/N)

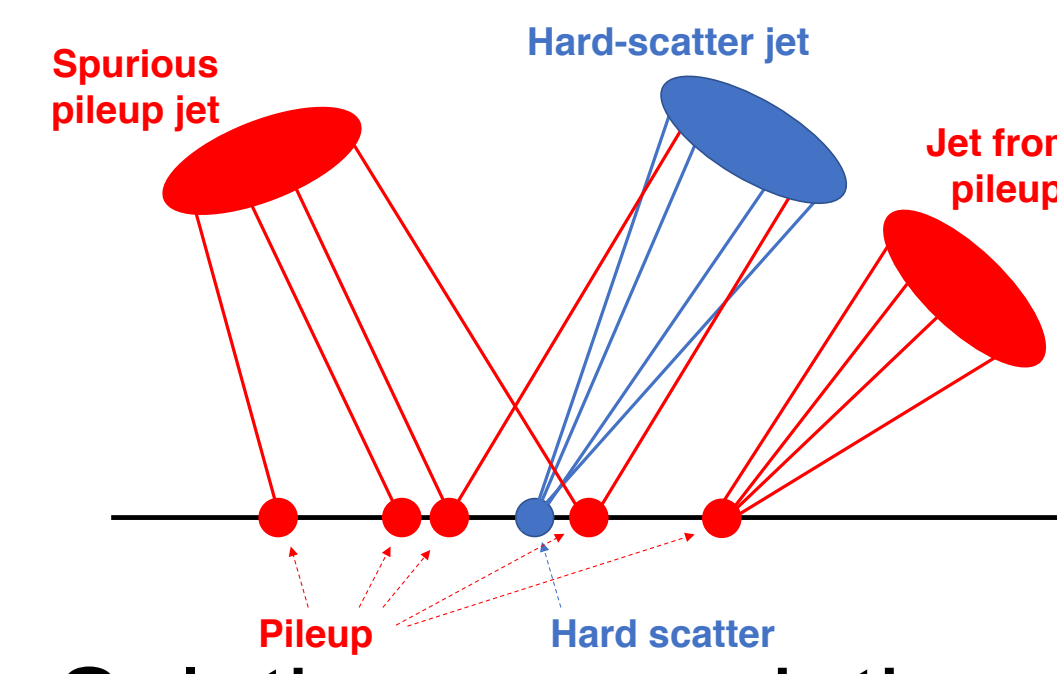
time walk compensation

Fine digitisation



Expected time resolution : 30 ps (60ps after irradiation)

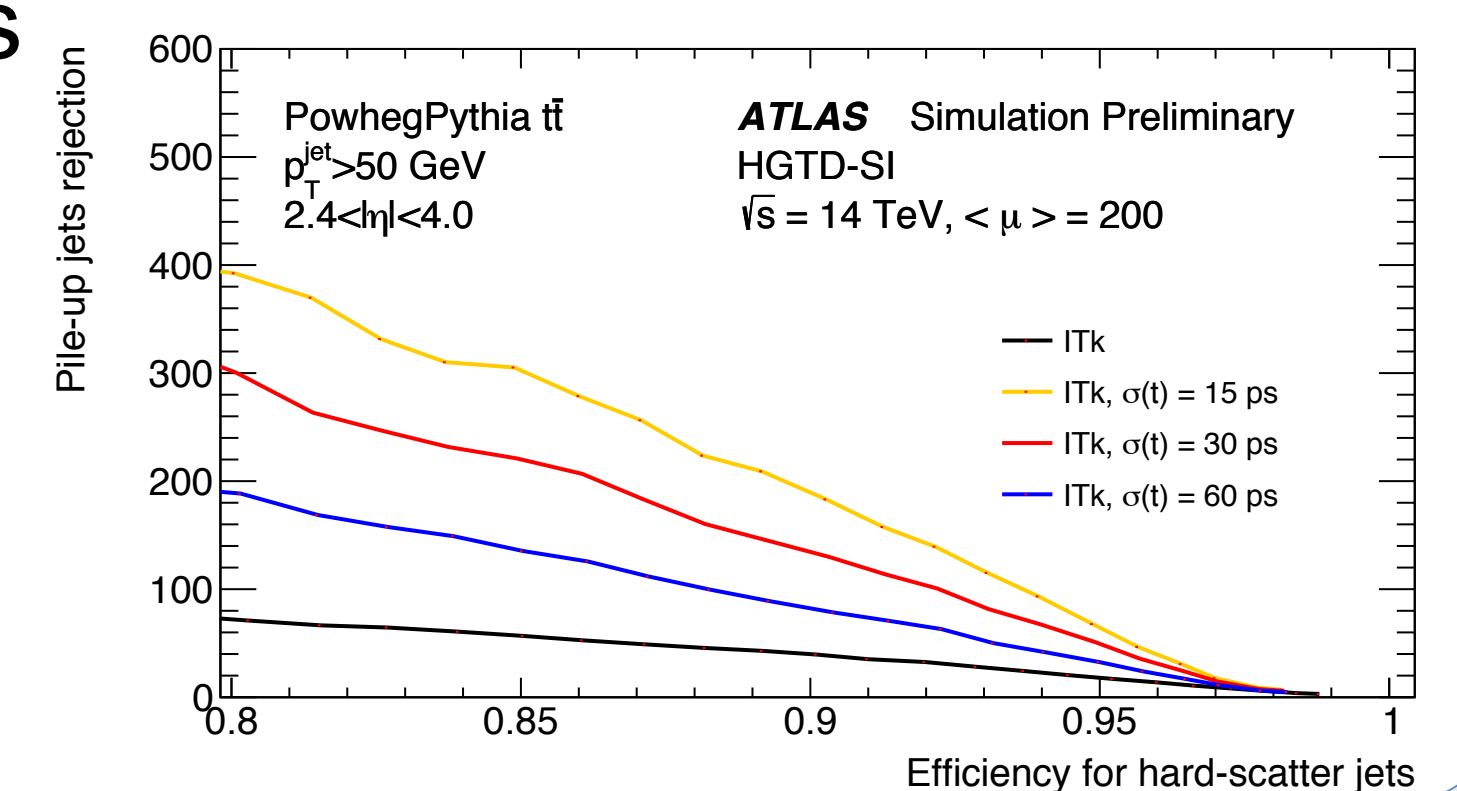
Object reconstruction : Jets



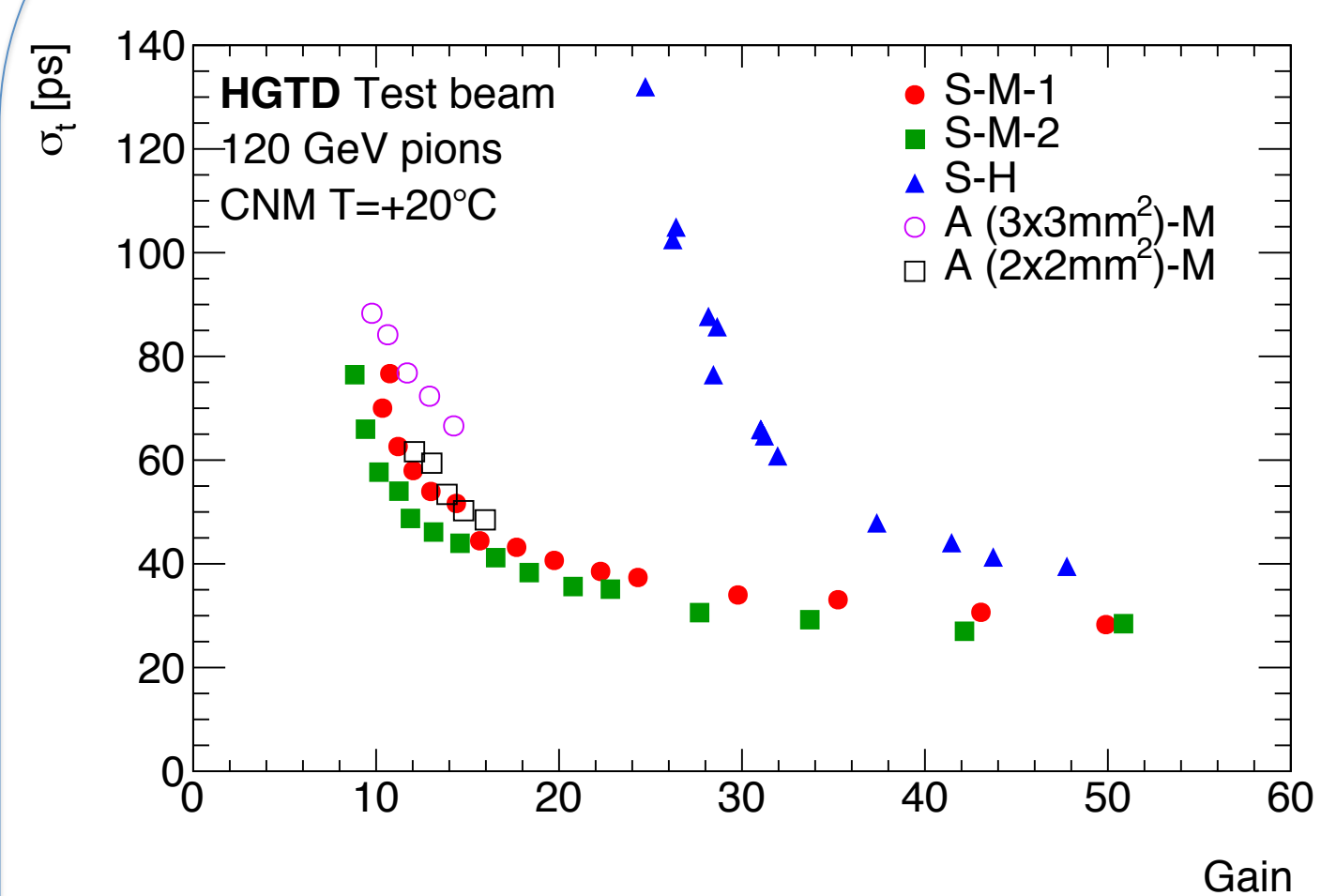
Pileup :

- Can contaminate the jets of interest
- Can also produce additional jets :
 - As hard QCD process
 - As particles from multiple vertices

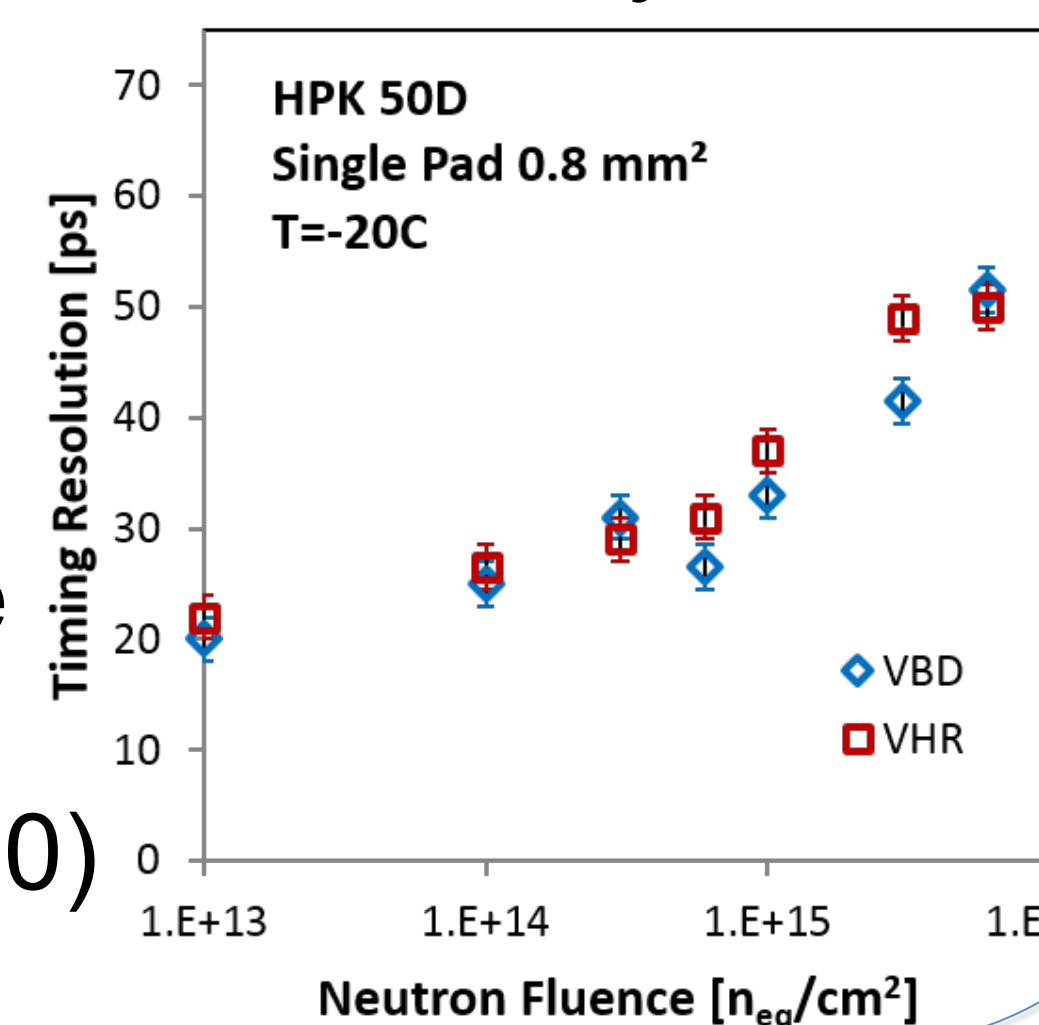
- Solution : association of jets with tracks and primary vertices
- Improved by timing information
- With $\sigma(t) = 30 \text{ ps}$, rejection improved by factor of 4



Test Beam

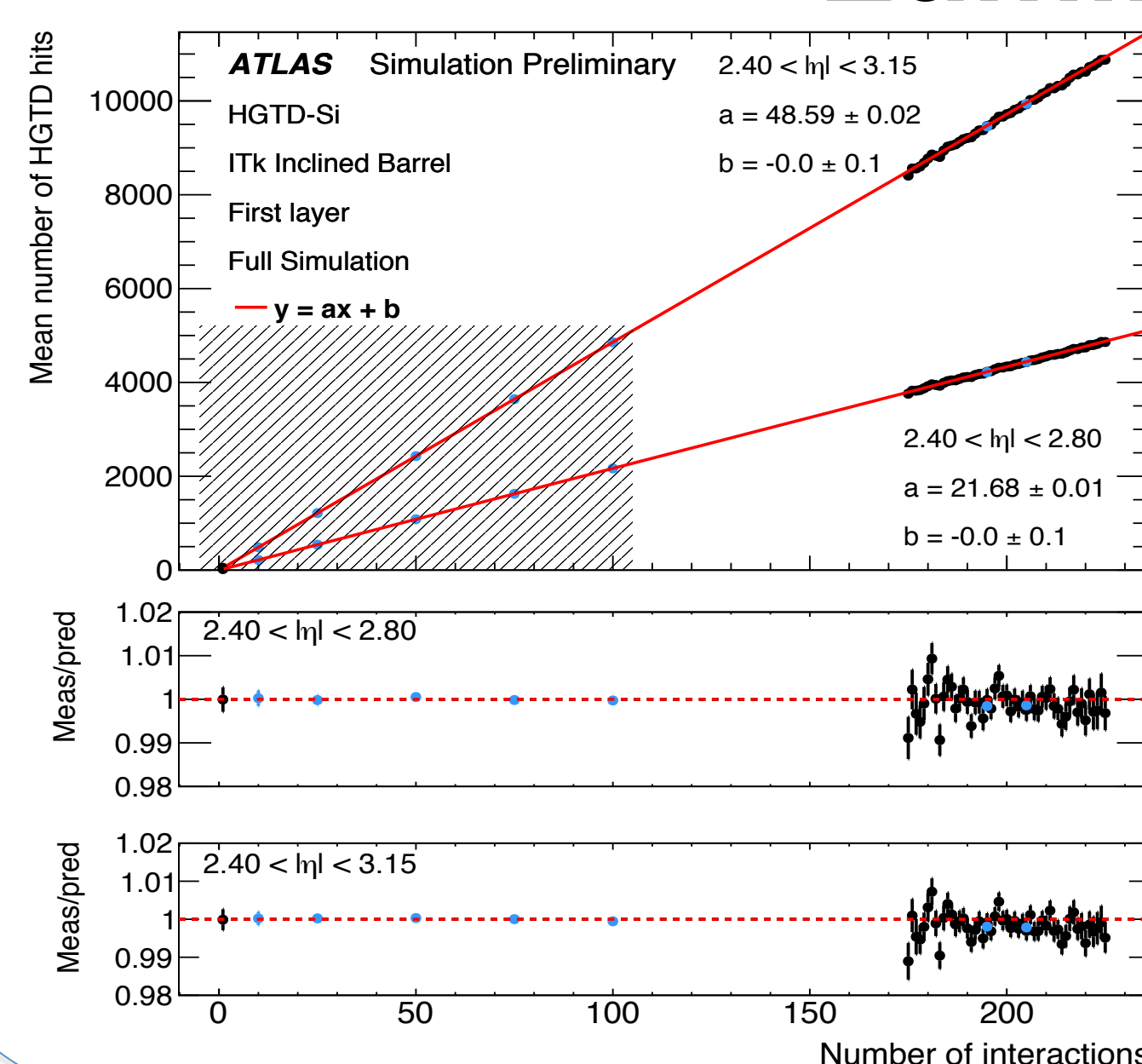


- Beam test campaign at CERN in Autumn 2016
- Gain 20 : $\sigma_t = 40 \text{ ps}$
- Gain 40 : $\sigma_t = 27 \text{ ps}$
- Very good efficiency and time resolution uniformity



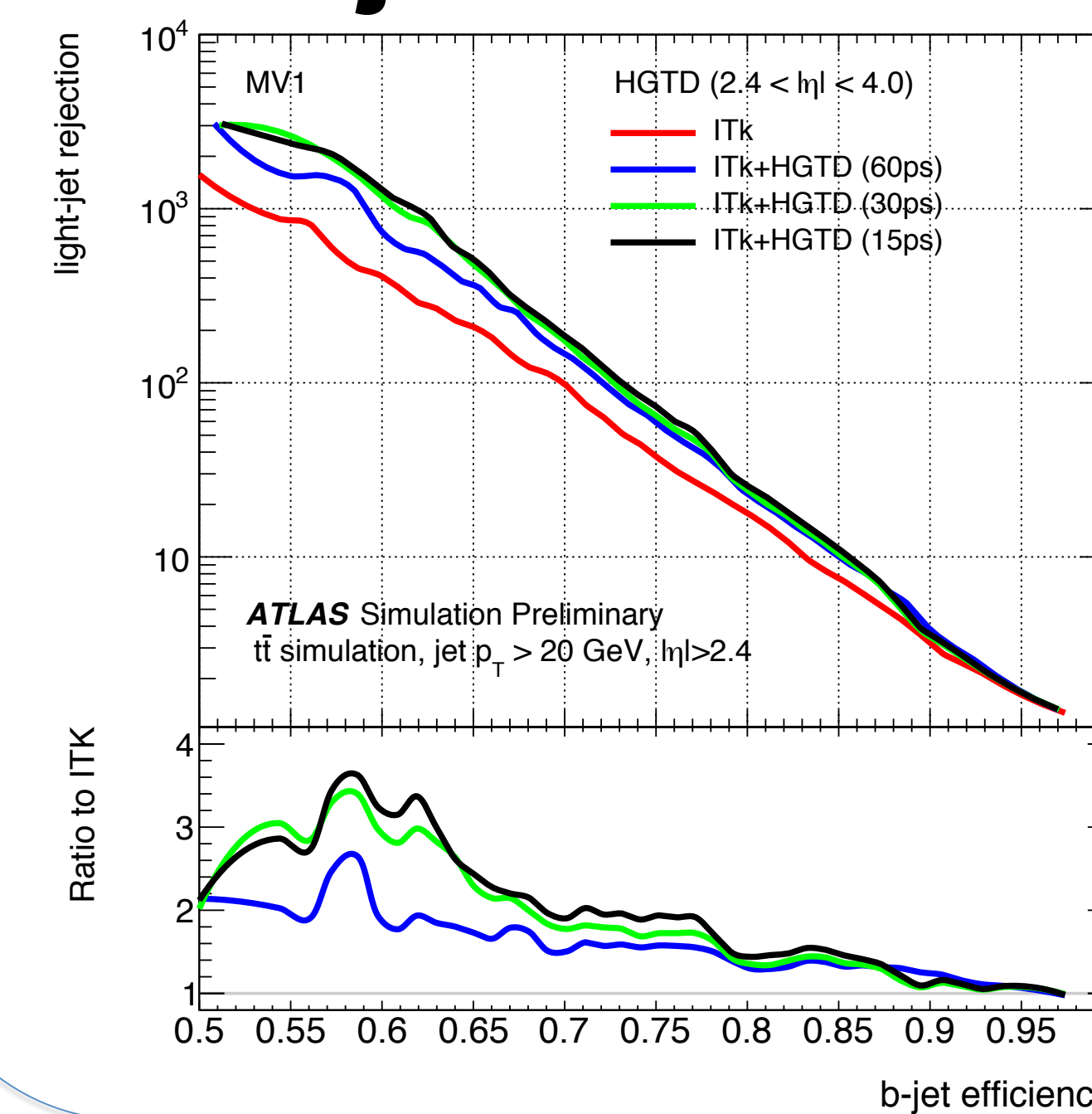
- Irradiation change the effective doping concentration
- Gain decrease with irradiation
- Above 10^{15} neq/cm^2 : no difference with a pin diode
- Bulk gain created by irradiation (≈ 10)

Luminosity



- HGTD : measurement of the luminosity at each bunch crossing
- Number of HGTD hits \propto number of interactions per crossing (μ)
- Good linearity \rightarrow precision of a few % on μ

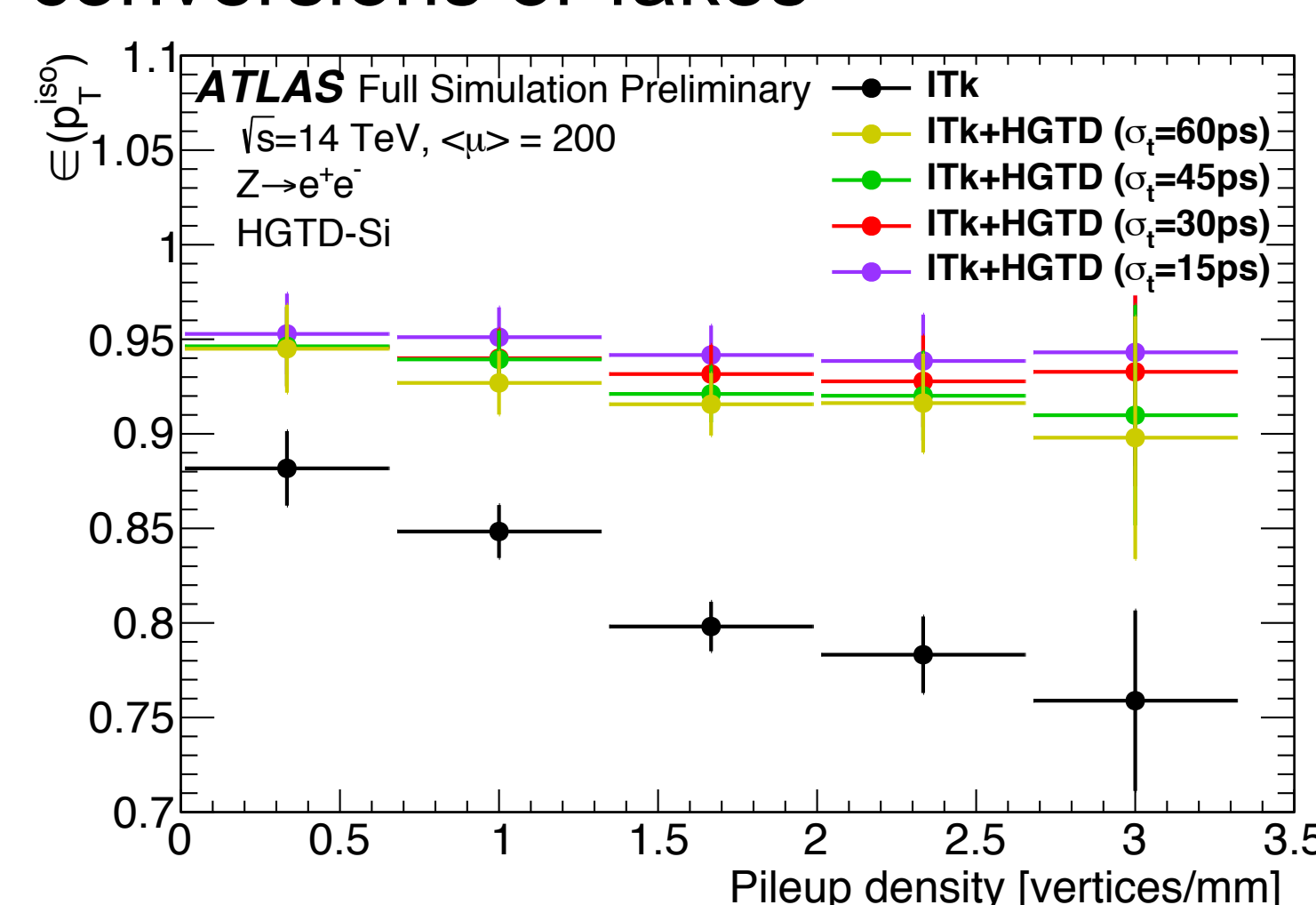
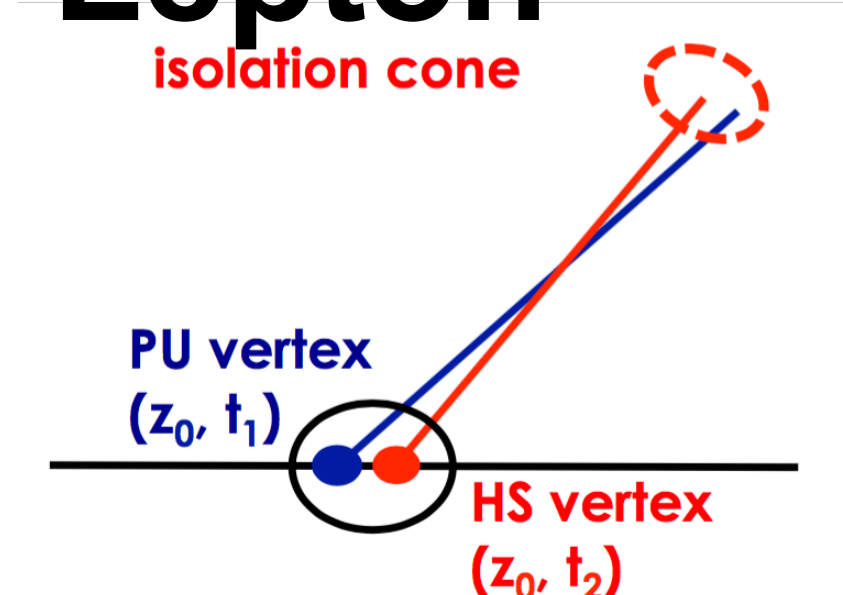
Object reconstruction : b-tagging



- *b*-jets \rightarrow displaced vertex \rightarrow large z_0 window \rightarrow very sensitive to pileup
- HGTD \rightarrow reduction of the PU contamination \rightarrow Improvement of the *b*-tagging efficiency
- 70% efficiency \rightarrow rejection improved by a factor of 2

Object reconstruction : Lepton

- Isolation efficiency : probability that no PU track with $p_T > 1 \text{ GeV}$ is within $dR = 0.2$ from the electron
- Needed to separate HS electrons from electrons coming from decays, conversions or fakes



- Efficiency almost independent of the PU density with the HGTD

- ITK : only the track from the primary vertex
- HGTD+ITK : tracks with a time compatible with the vertex