

Fast Simulation in ATLAS

Fast Simulation Discussion
HSF Simulation Working Group

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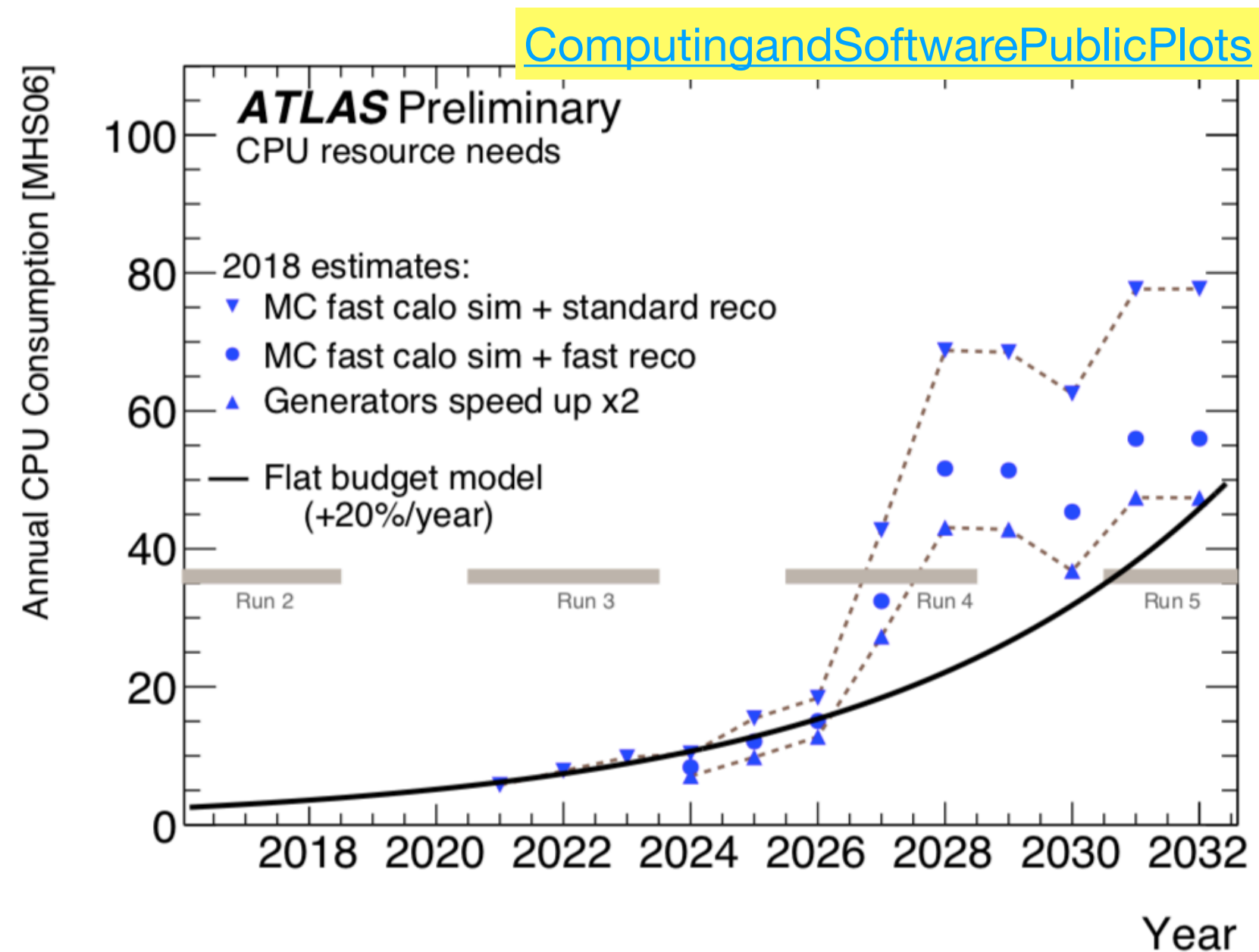
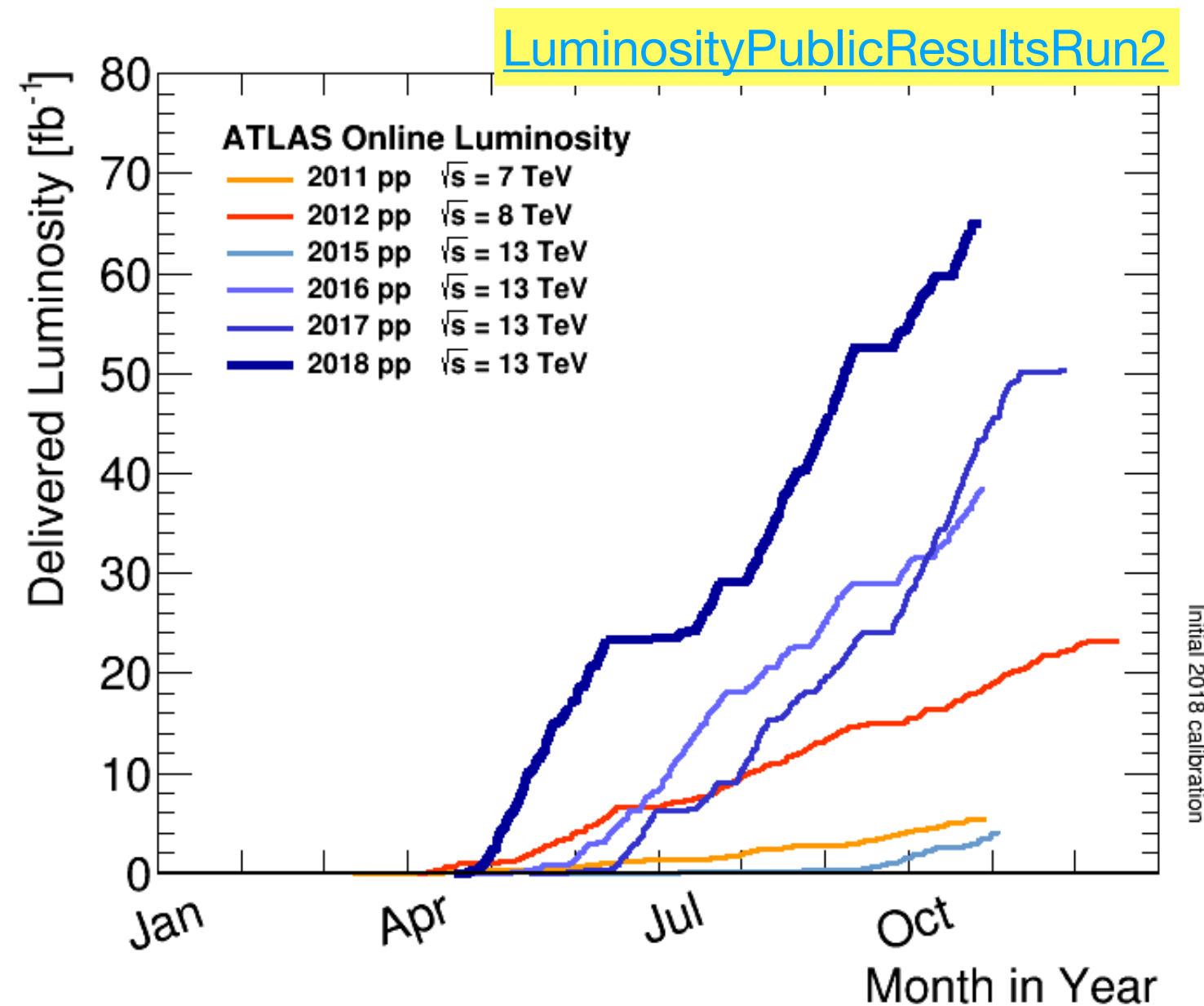
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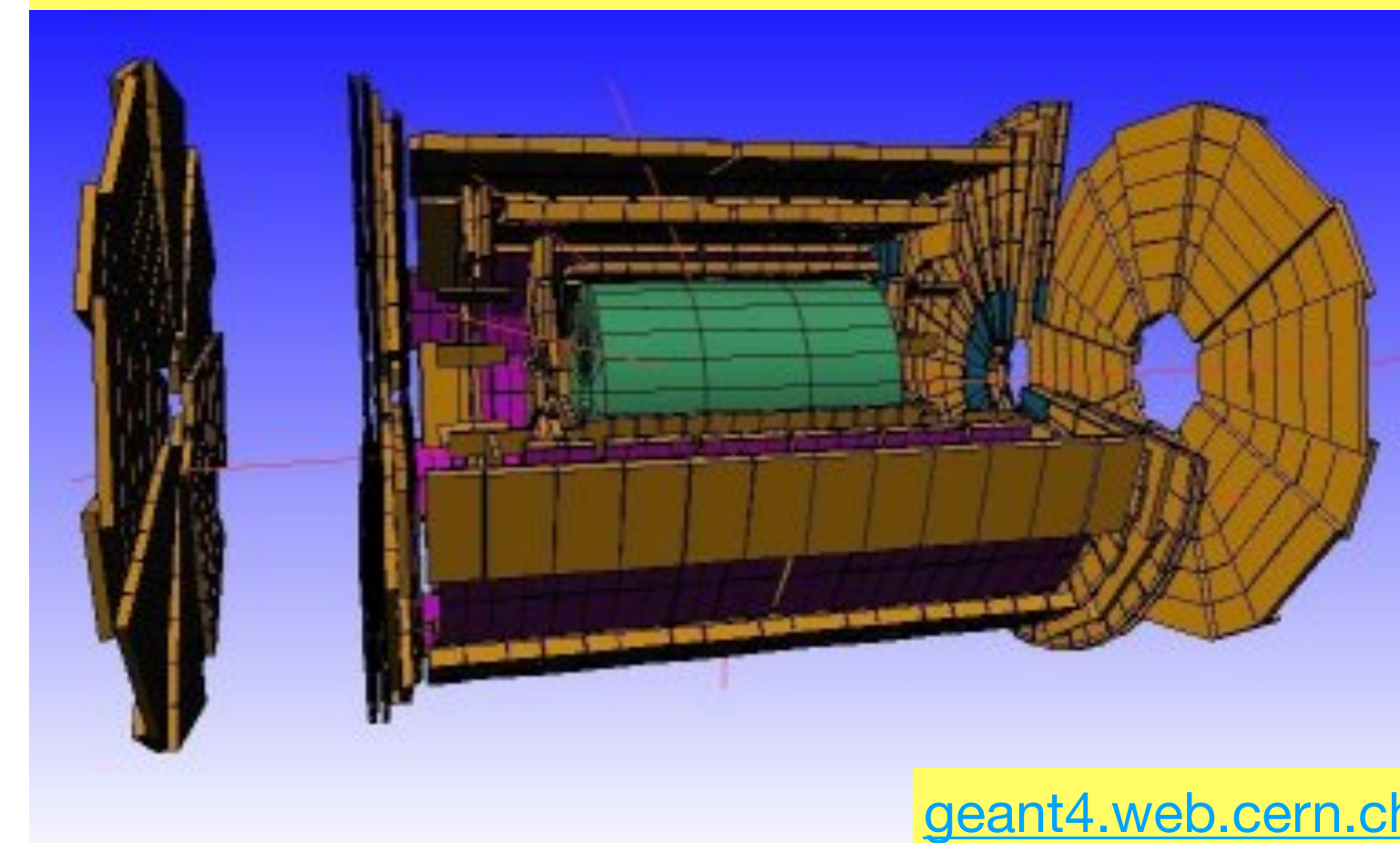
Overview: things we [all] know

Many physics and performance studies require large datasets of simulated events

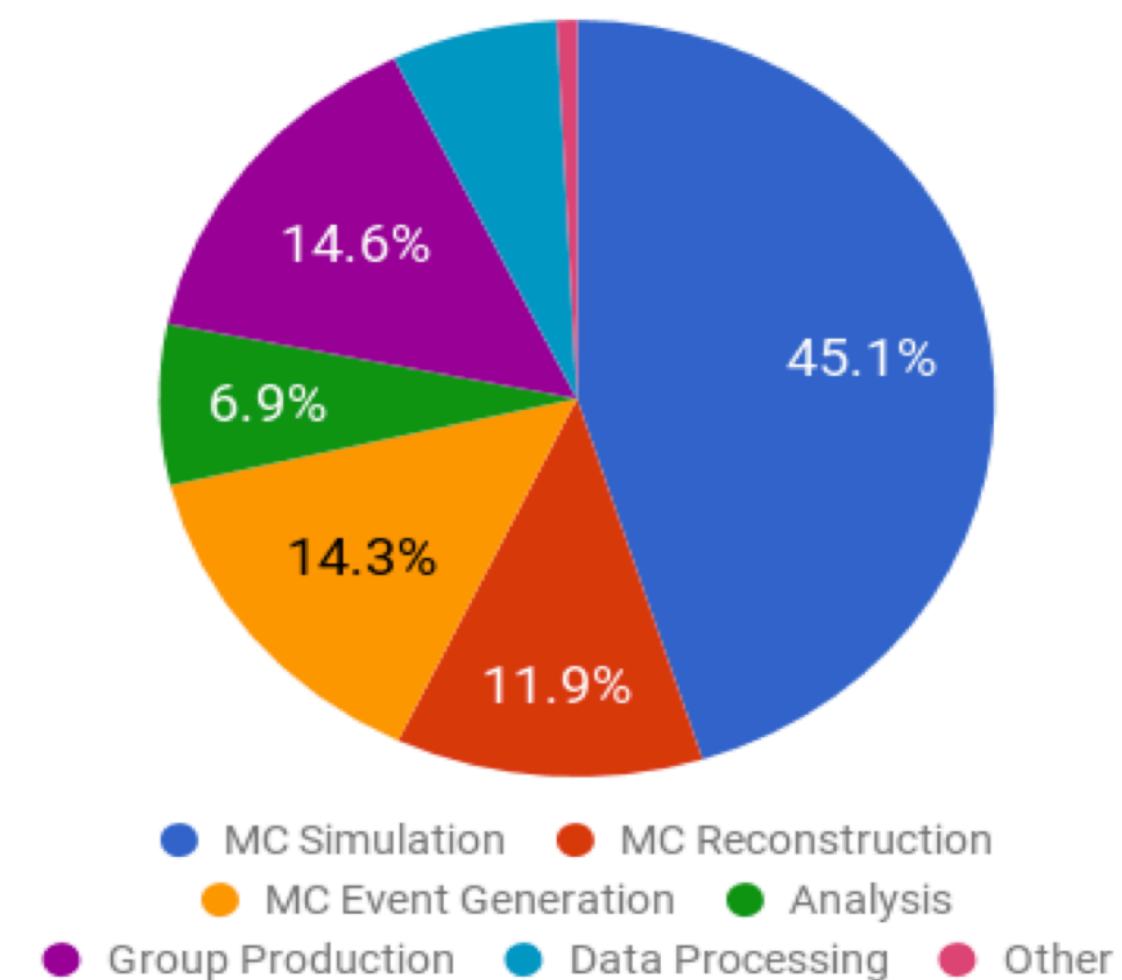
- Geant4 is highly CPU-intensive
- Already lacking statistics -- increasing luminosity poses greater challenges



Geant4: $O(10^7)$ detailed volumes!



Wall Clock consumption per workflow



Highly-descriptive detector description not always necessary

- Signal samples
- Alternative backgrounds for systematics

Overview: what we [all/ATLAS] need

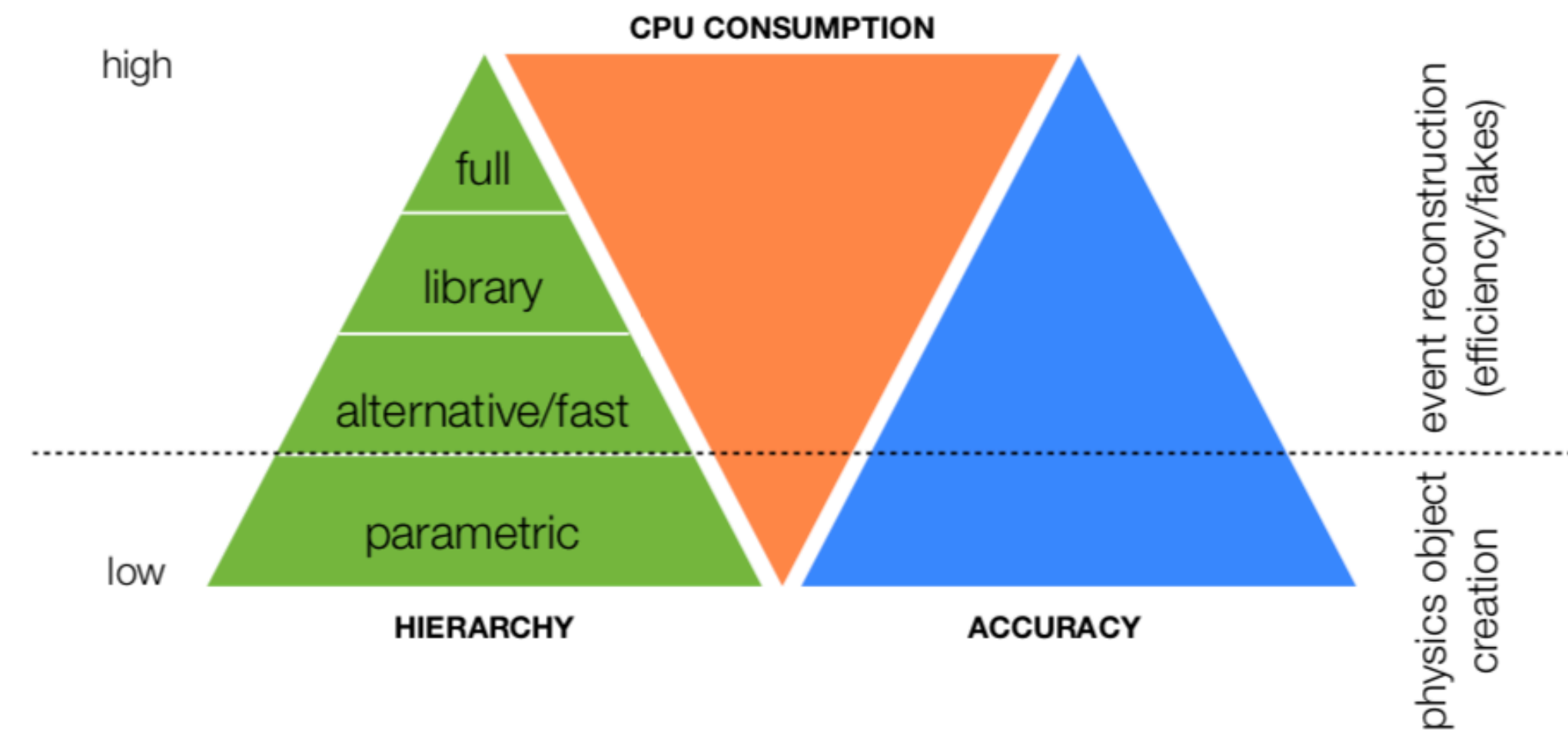
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Sacrifice level of accuracy and precision for speed

- Fully simulate what is needed, use fast methods otherwise

Compatibility

- Early fast simulation ([ATLFAST](#), i.e. object smearing) in ATLAS was incompatible with digitisation and reconstruction used for real data
- Desirable to have simulated data that can use same digitisation and reconstruction software as real data



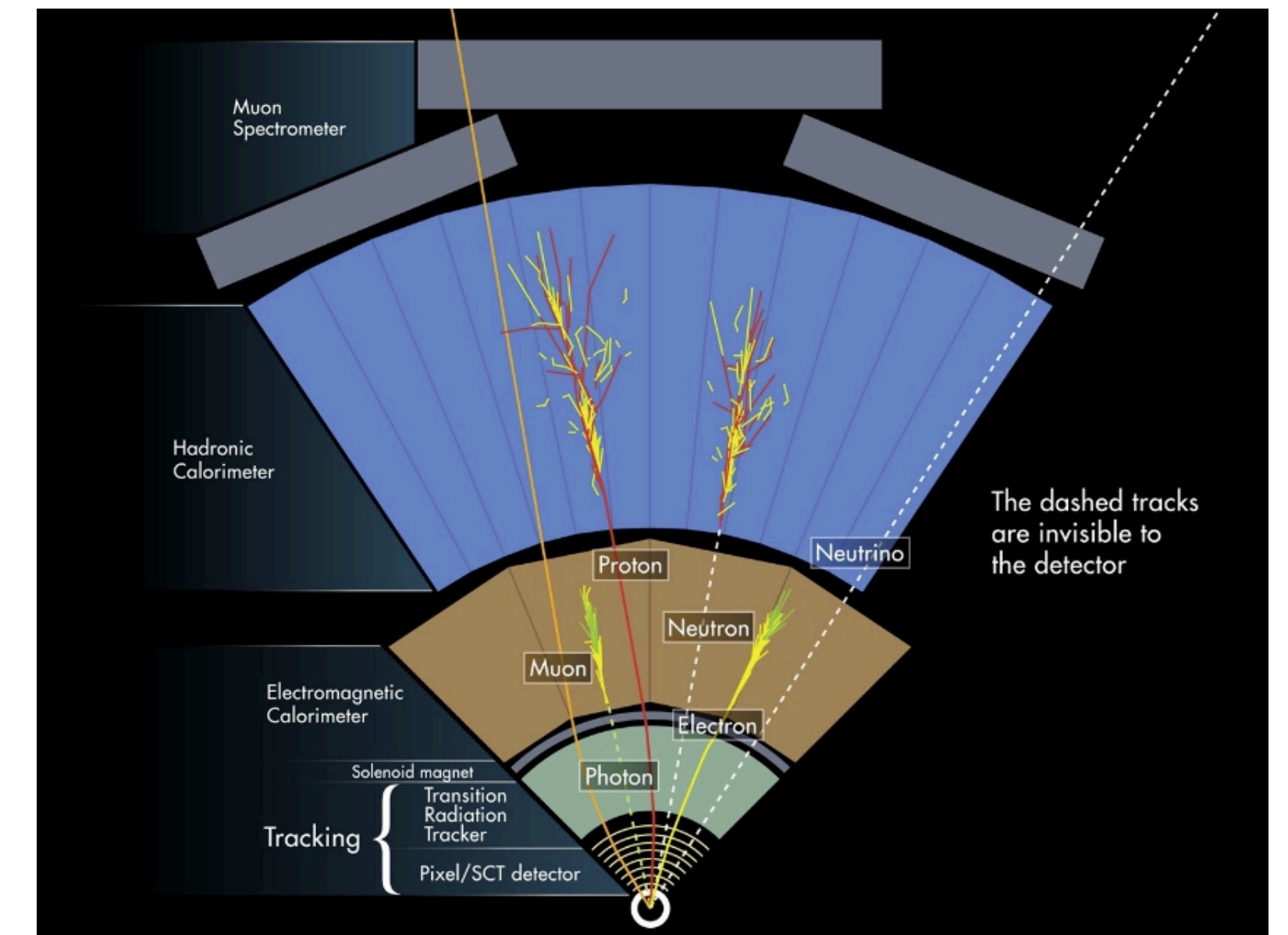
Areas for improving CPU performance

Calorimeter

- Most CPU-intensive (>90% of simulation time): particles are stopped; complicated shower modelling
- First prospect for fast simulation

Inner Detector

- Nearly 10^8 readout channels; complex modelling of readout emulation
- Pattern recognition: combinatorial problem as function of $\langle\mu\rangle$

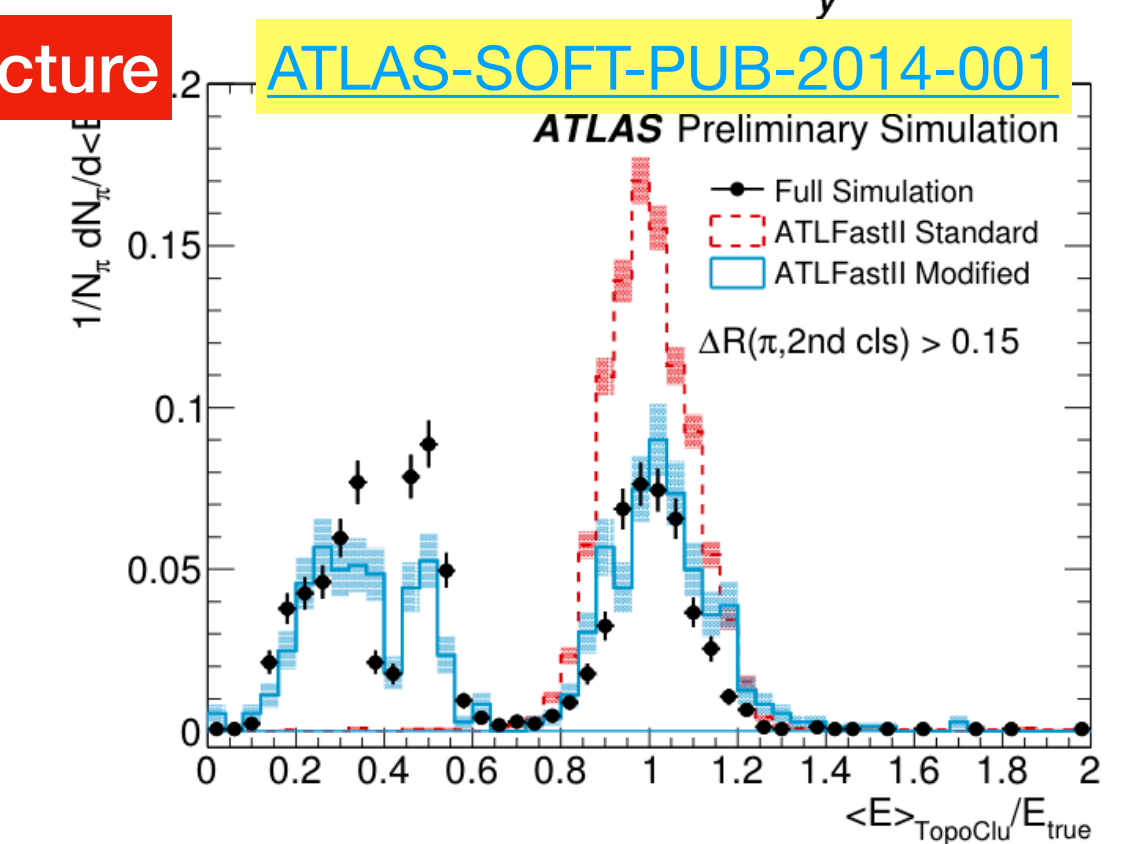
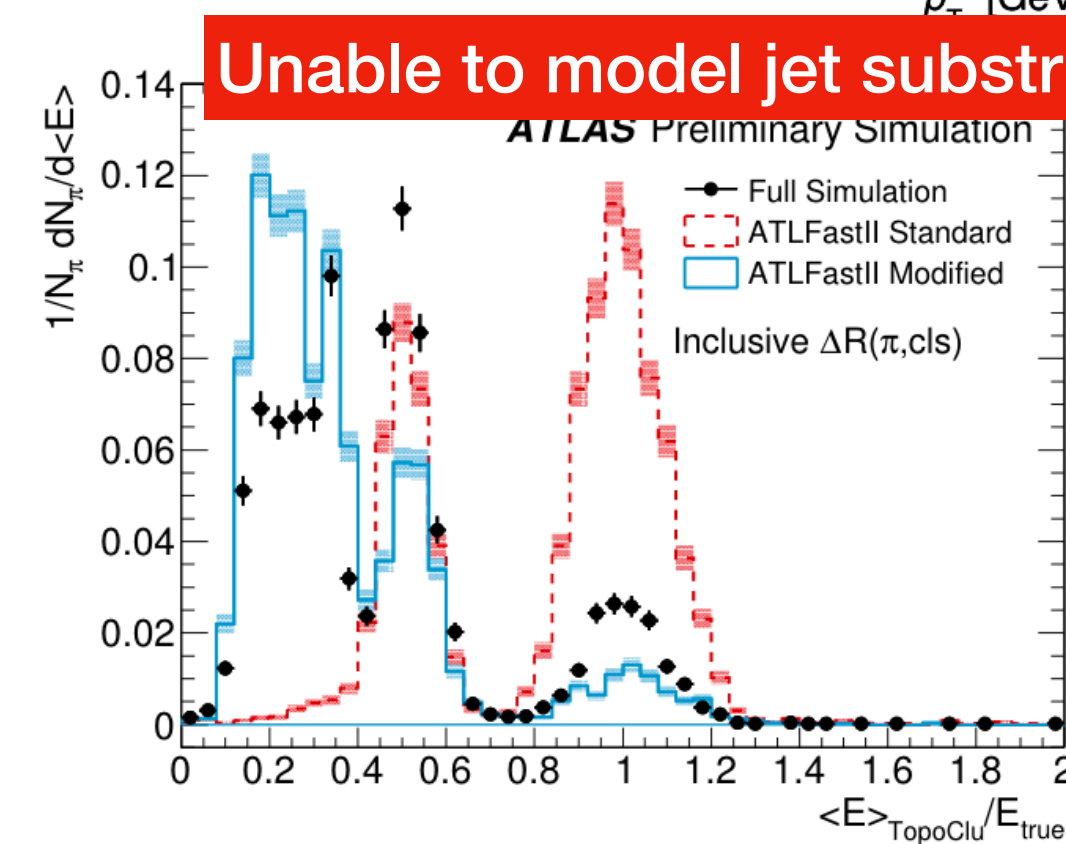
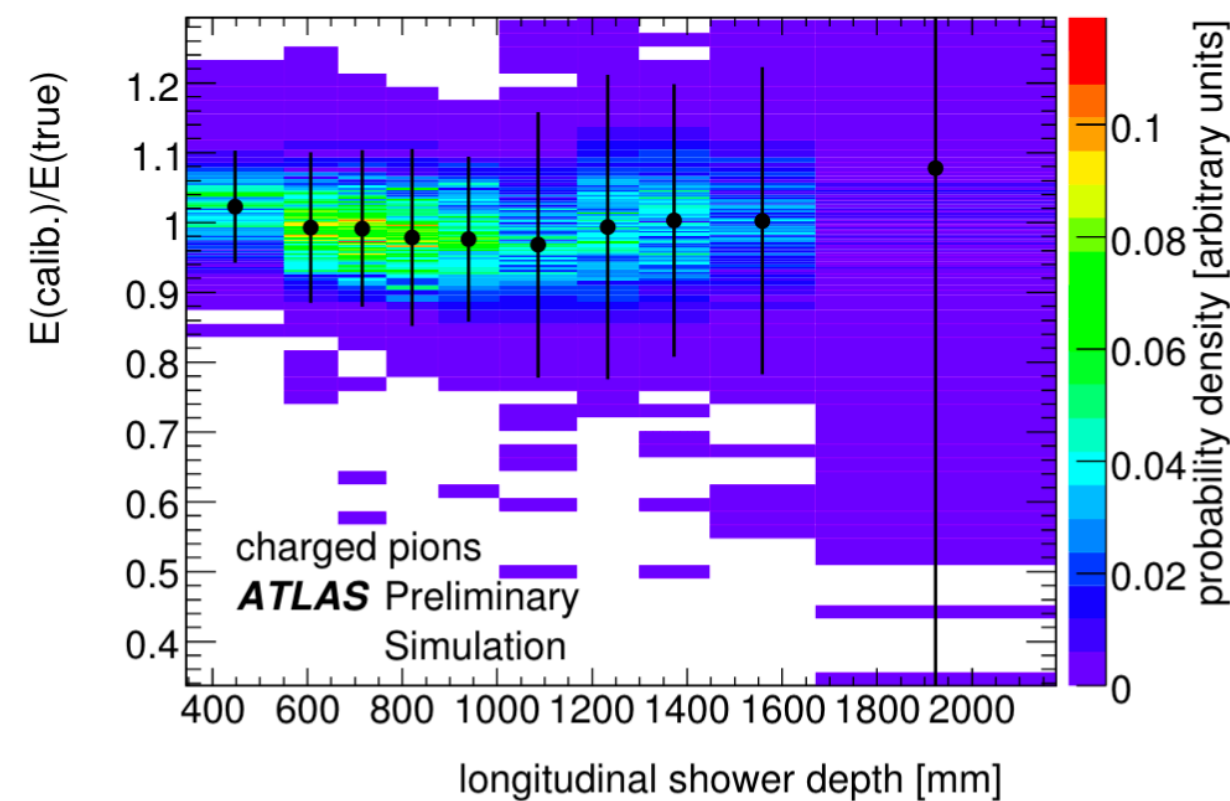
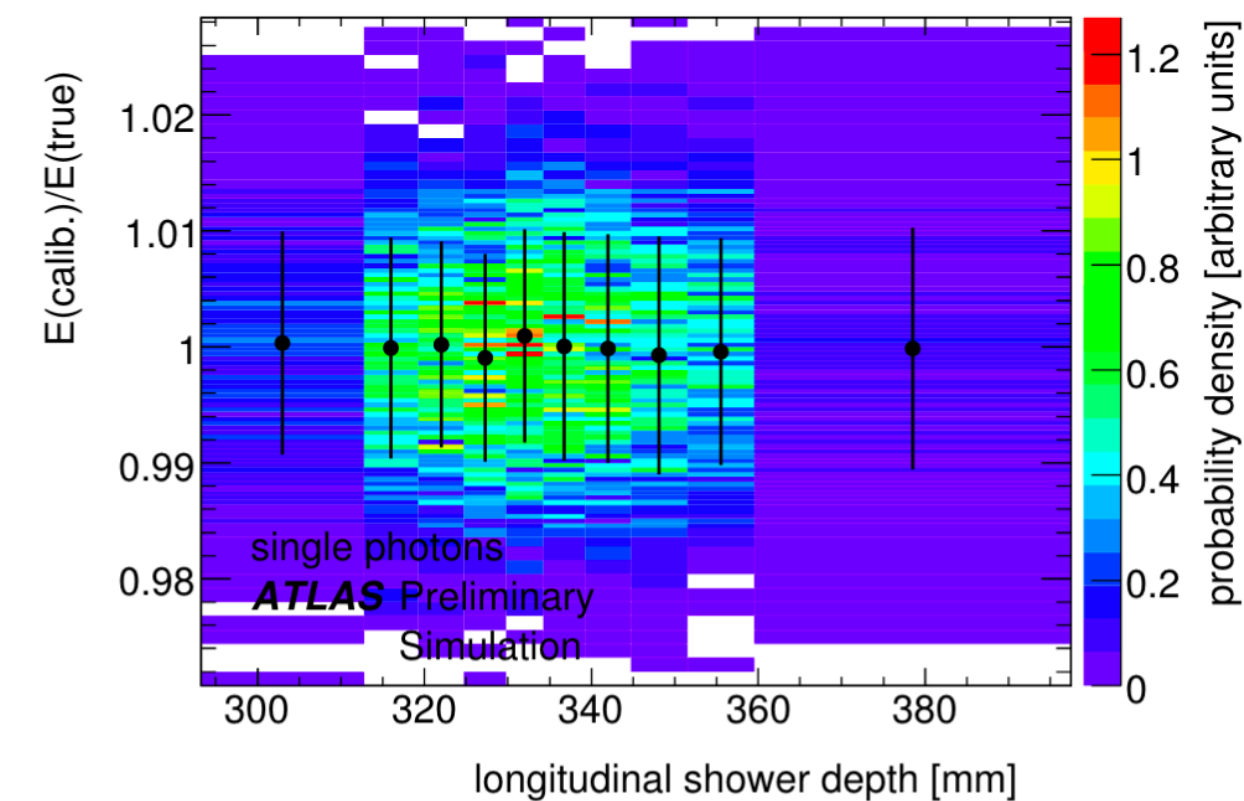
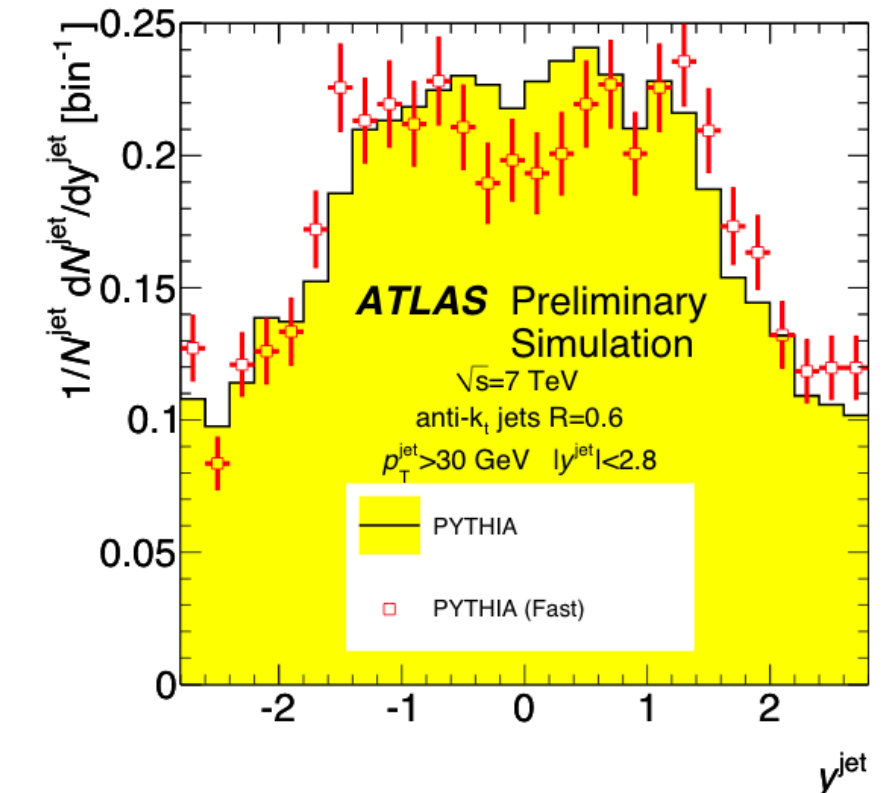
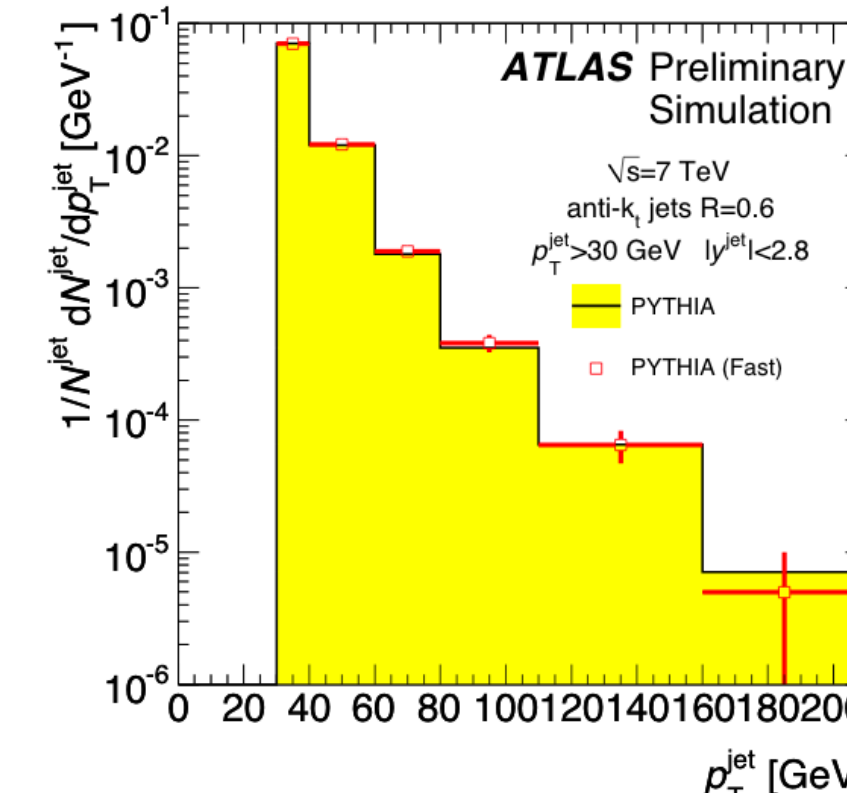
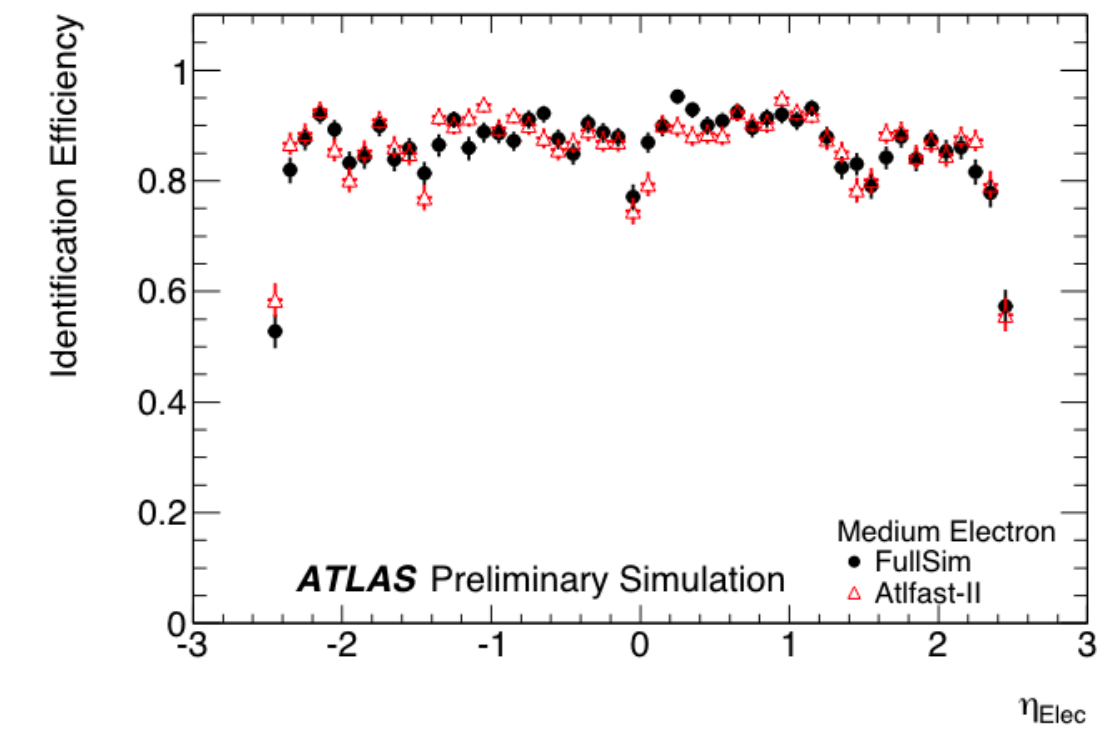
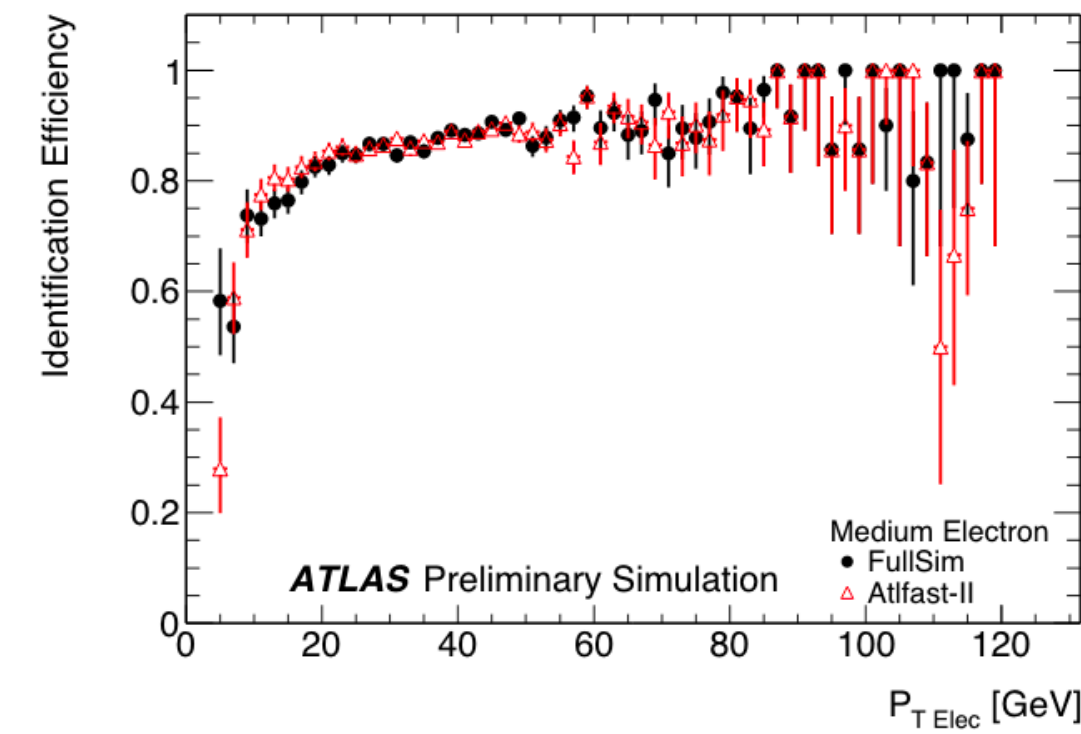


Legacy fast calorimeter simulation (ATLFAST-II)

- Simplified "cuboid" geometry
- Reduces CPU by order of magnitude
- Developed nearly a decade ago; still used today for official production

Geant4-based parameterisations

- $O(10^6)$ single-particle events
- $50 \text{ MeV} < E < 1 \text{ TeV}$ (16 points), $|\eta| < 4.9$ (100 equidistant bins)
- Longitudinal shower properties, fluctuations and correlations
- Average lateral properties and uncorrelated fluctuations

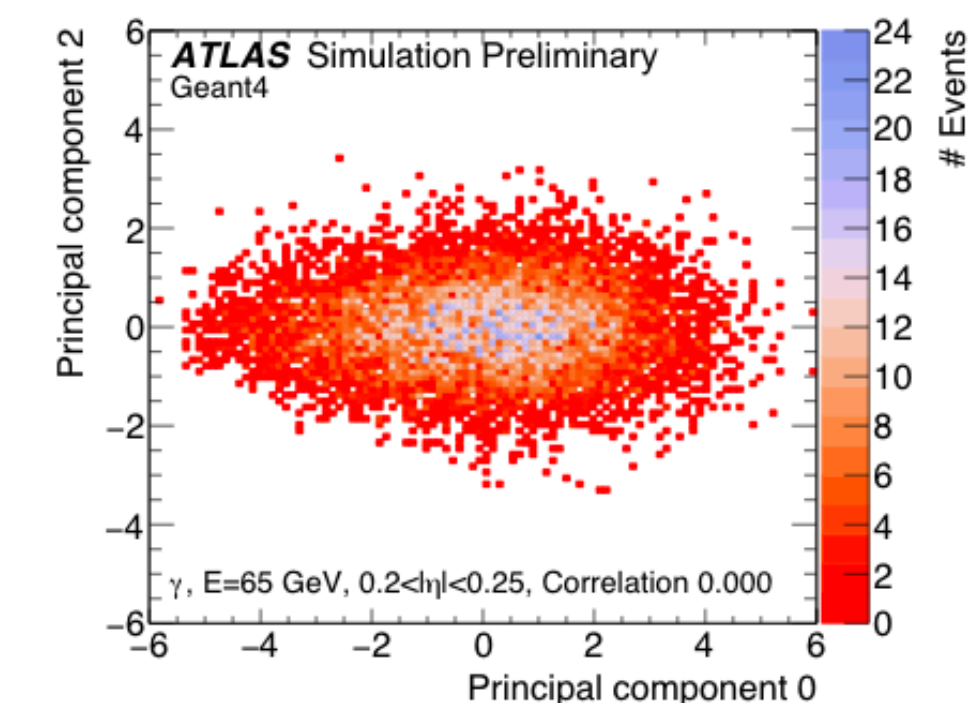
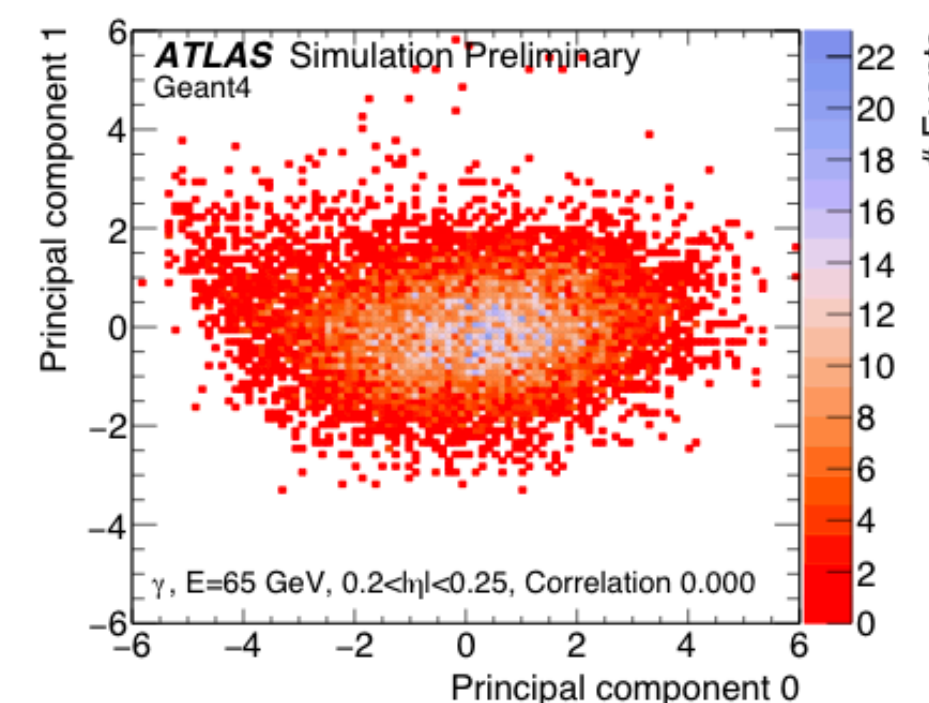
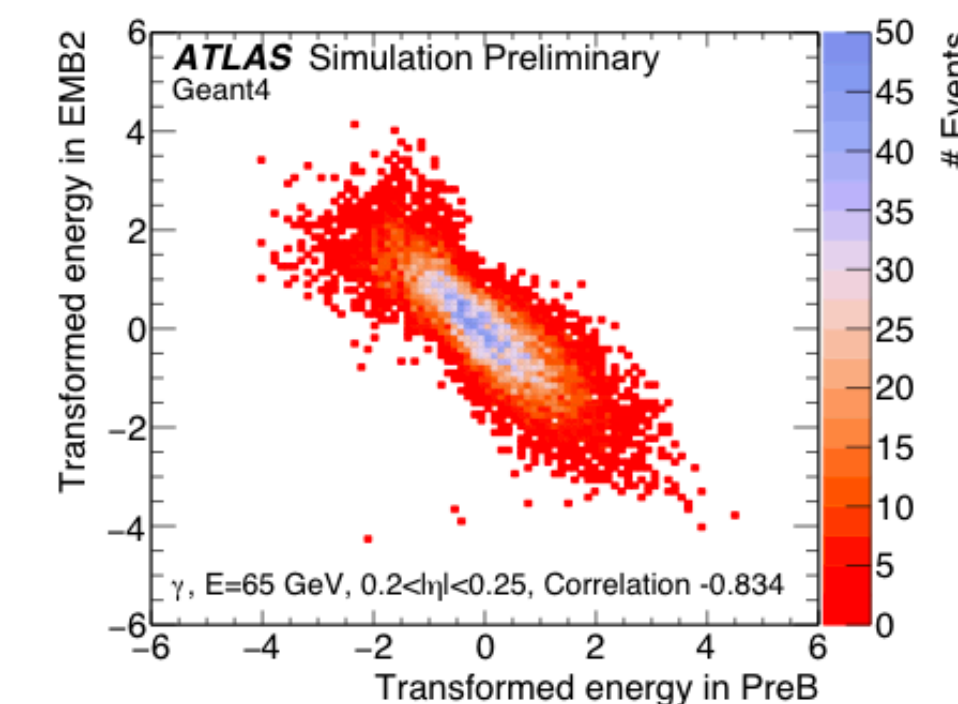
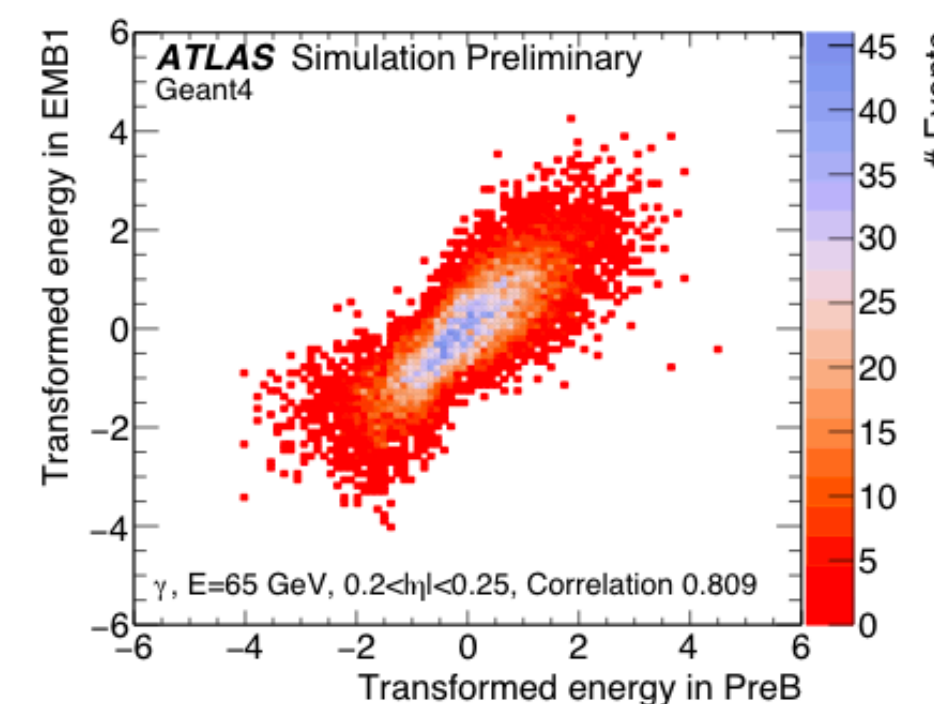
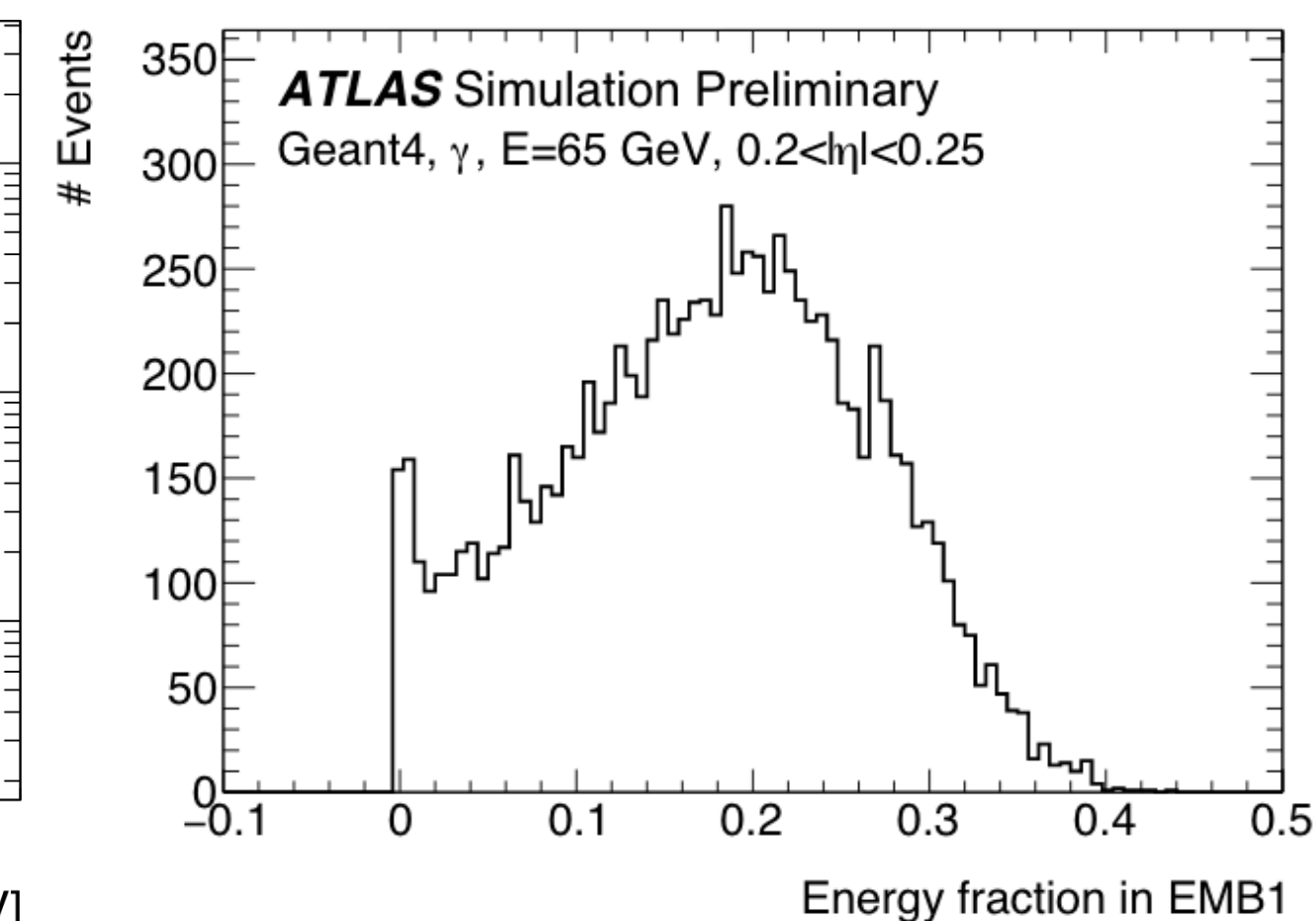
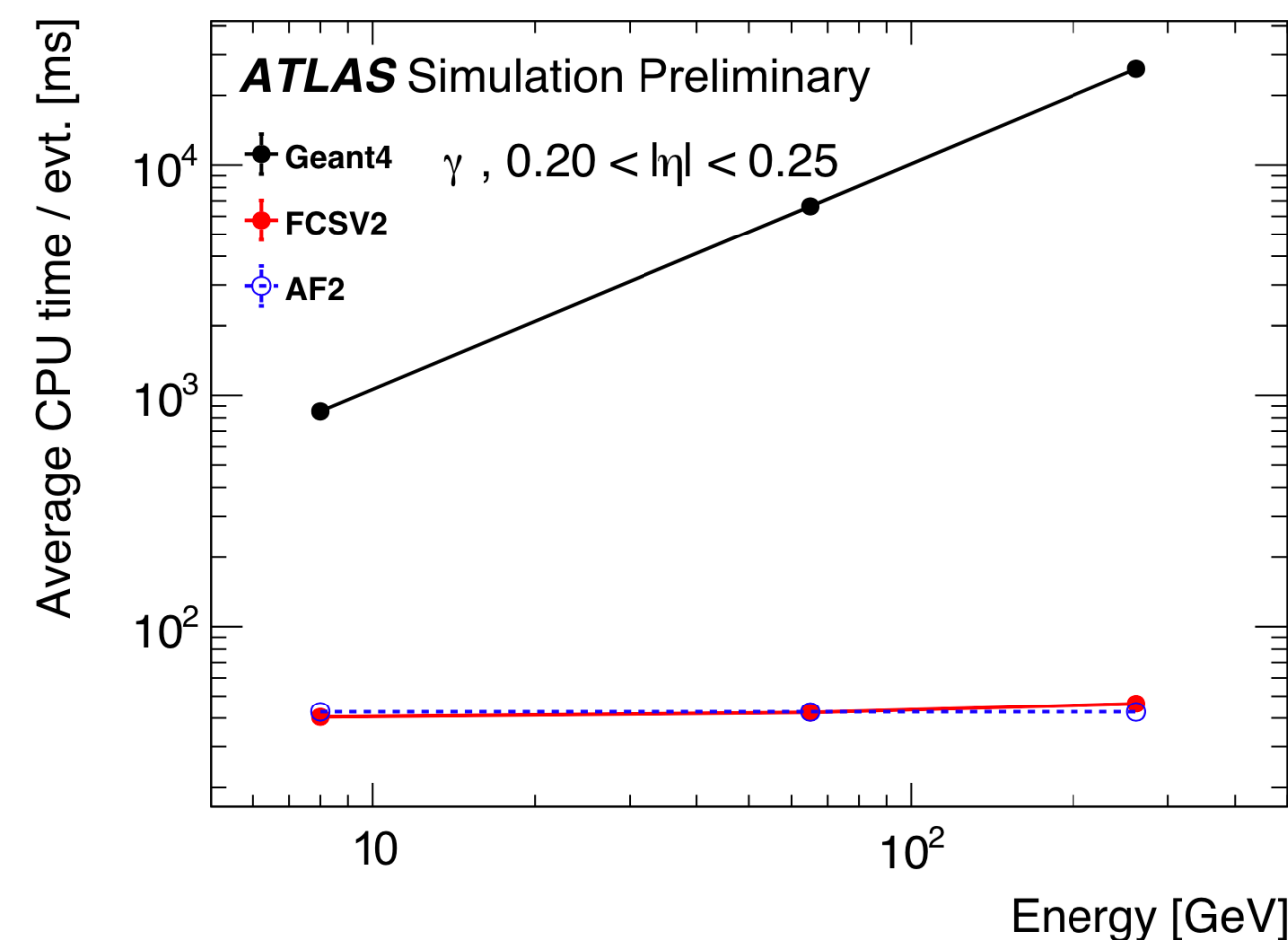


Increased accuracy

- Improved lateral shower modelling
- Includes forward calorimeter simulation
- Ability to model Lorentz-boosted topologies, *i.e.* jet substructure
- CPU performance similar to FastCaloSim; same simplified geometry

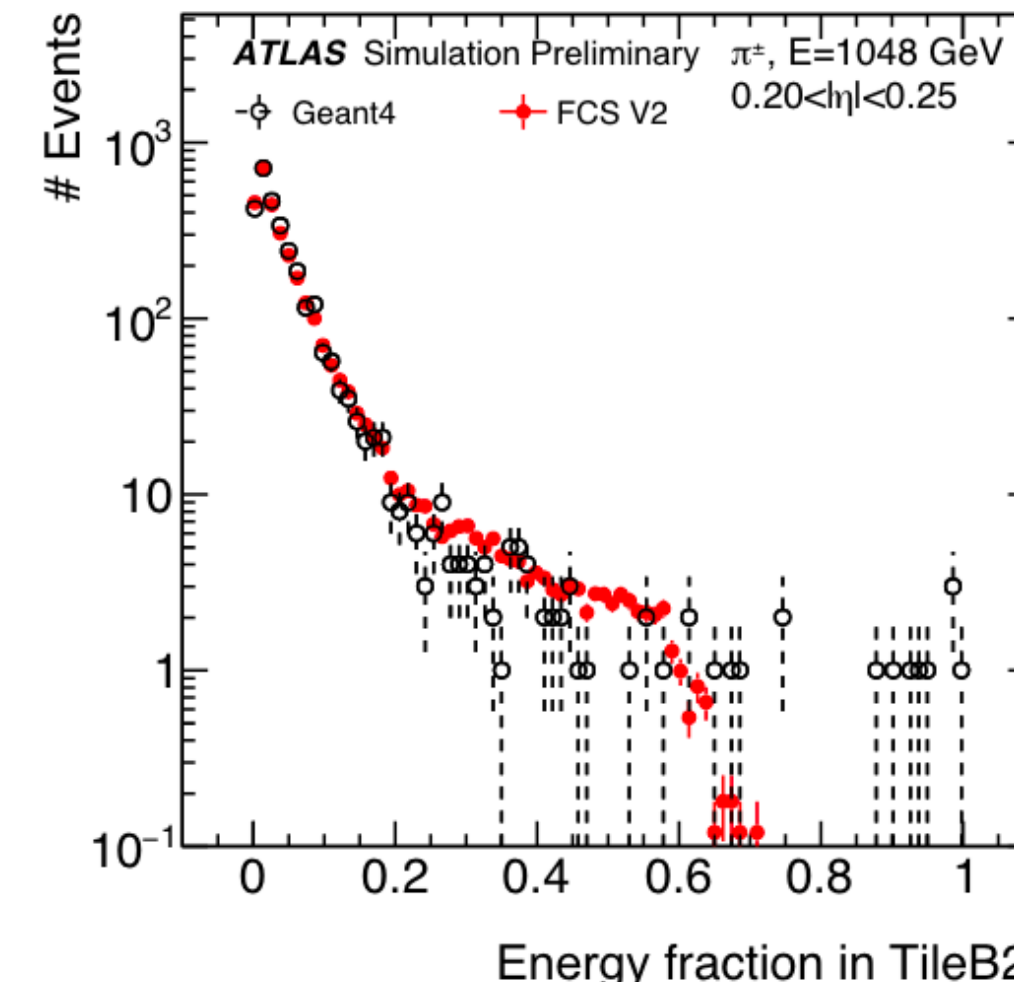
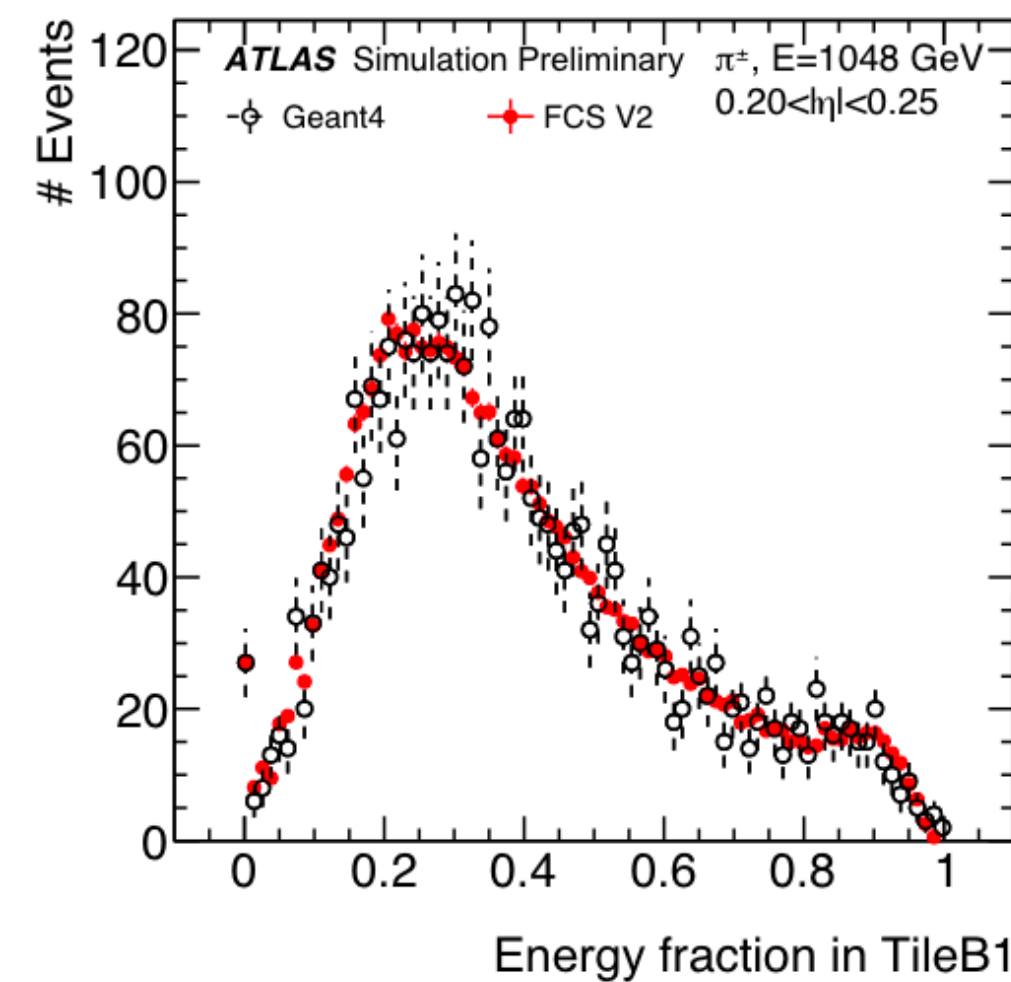
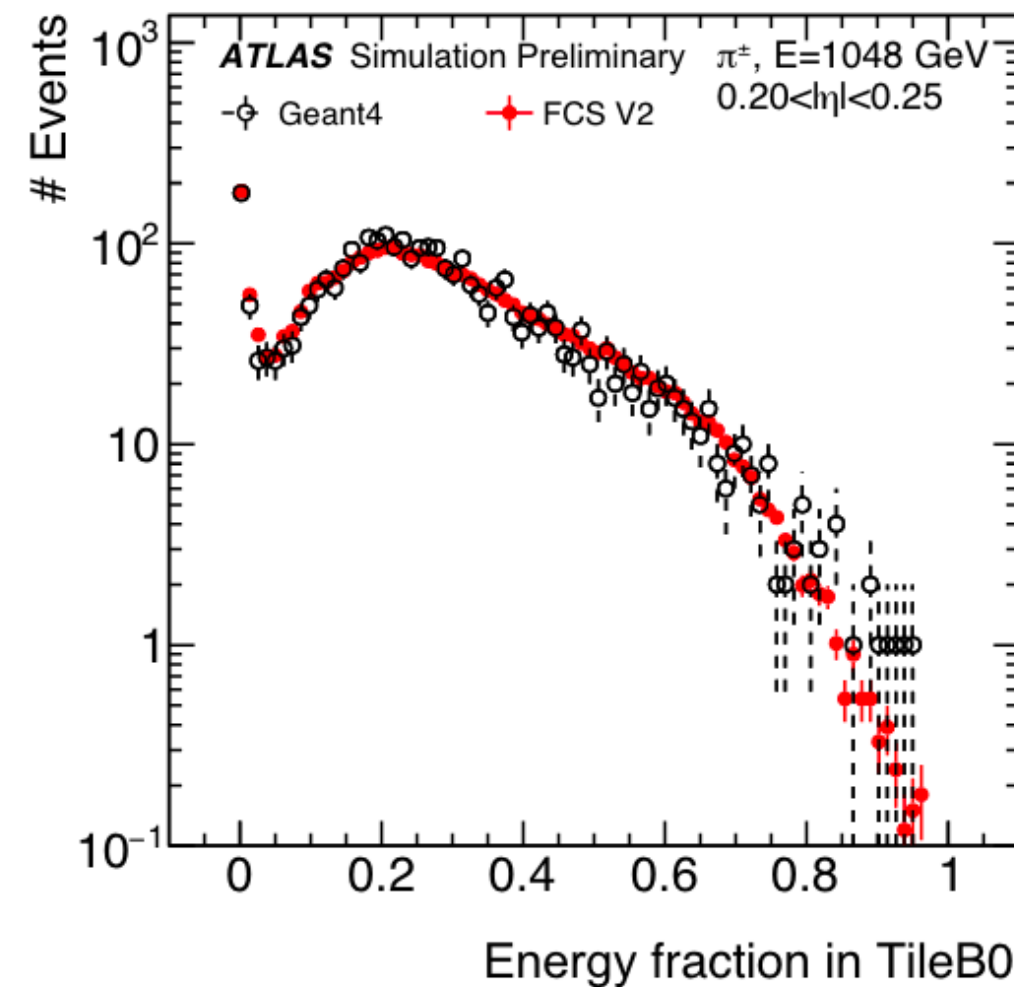
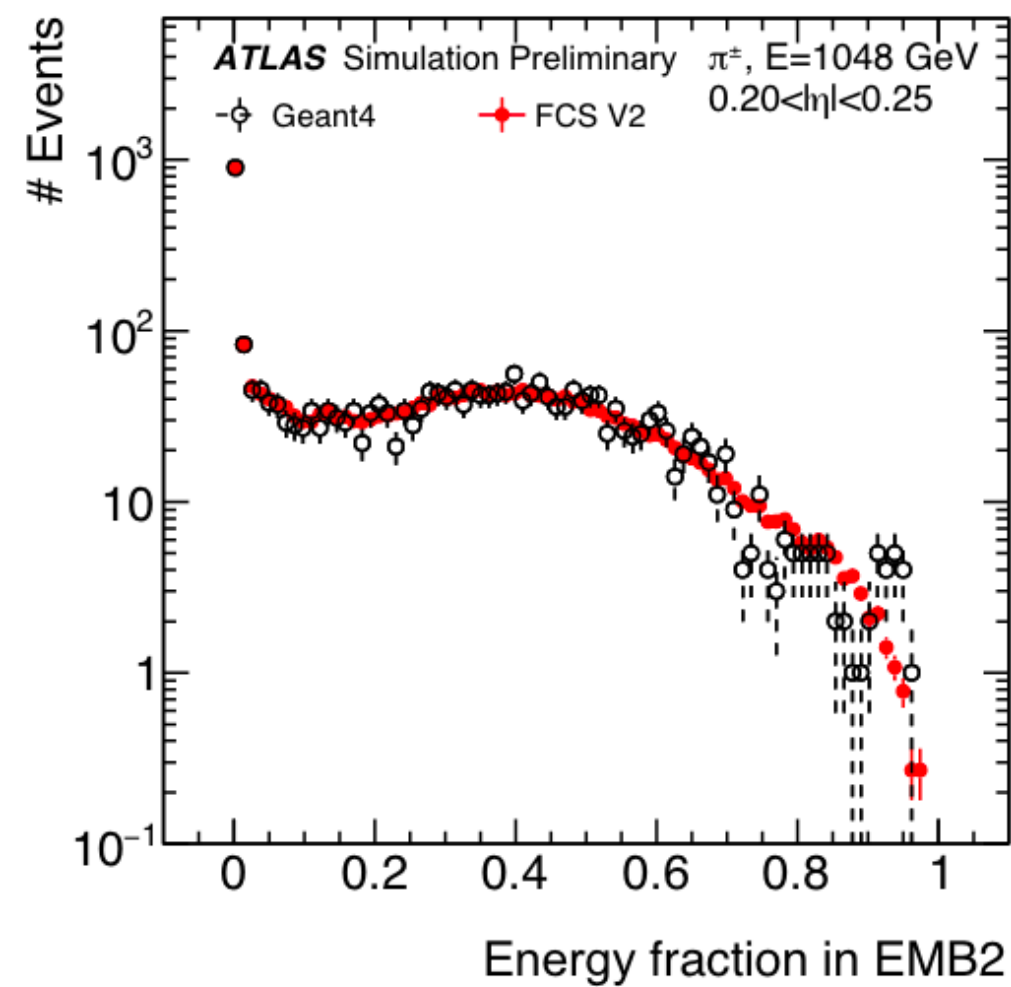
New energy and shower shape parameterisations

- Generate inputs -- total energy (all layers), fractional energy (per layer) -- for Principal Component Analysis (PCA)
- Store only cumulative energy, second PCA matrices, mean and RMS of Gaussians post-PCA
- Fast simulation reverse order of PCA chain
 - Correlated uniform randoms numbers and cumulative energy distributions are obtained for each layer
- Lateral shower parameterisation derived in each relevant layer for each PCA bin
 - Store parameterisations of (η, ϕ) in 2D histograms



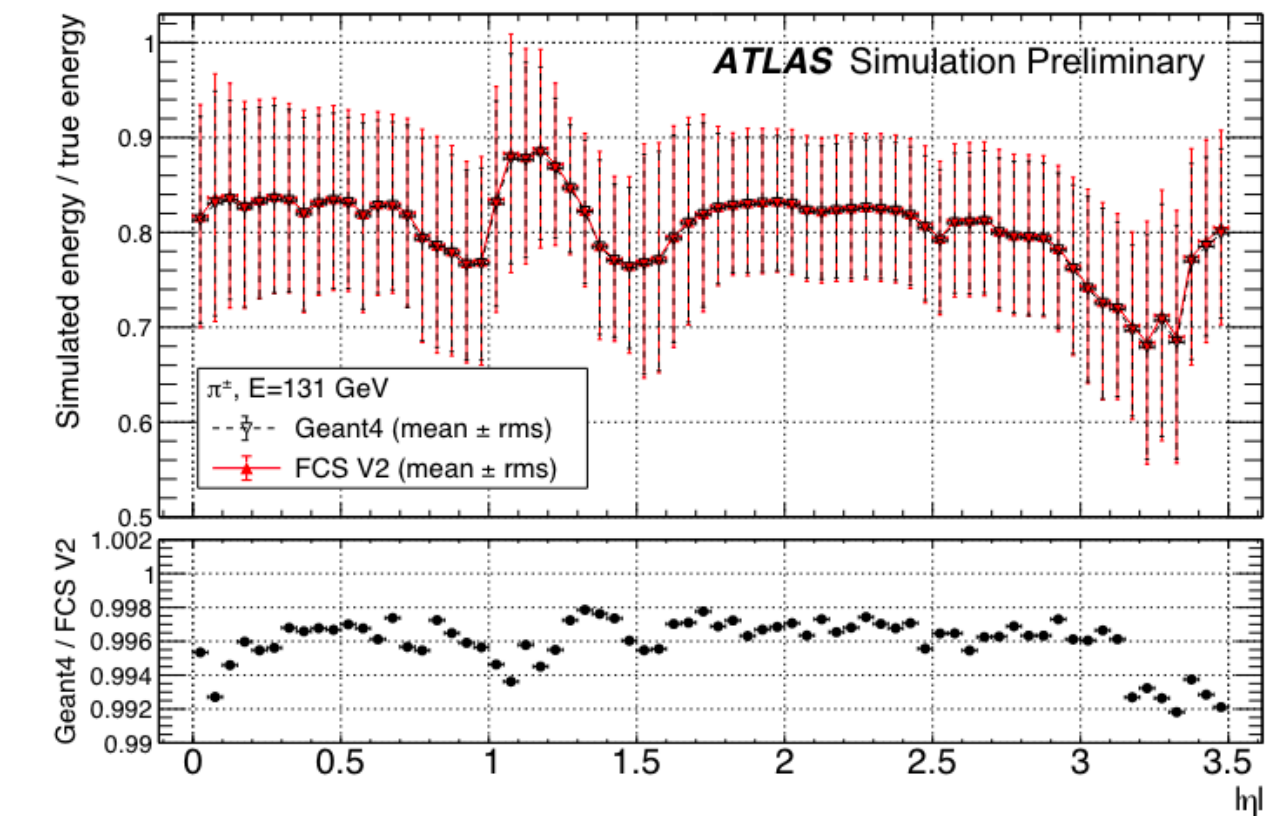
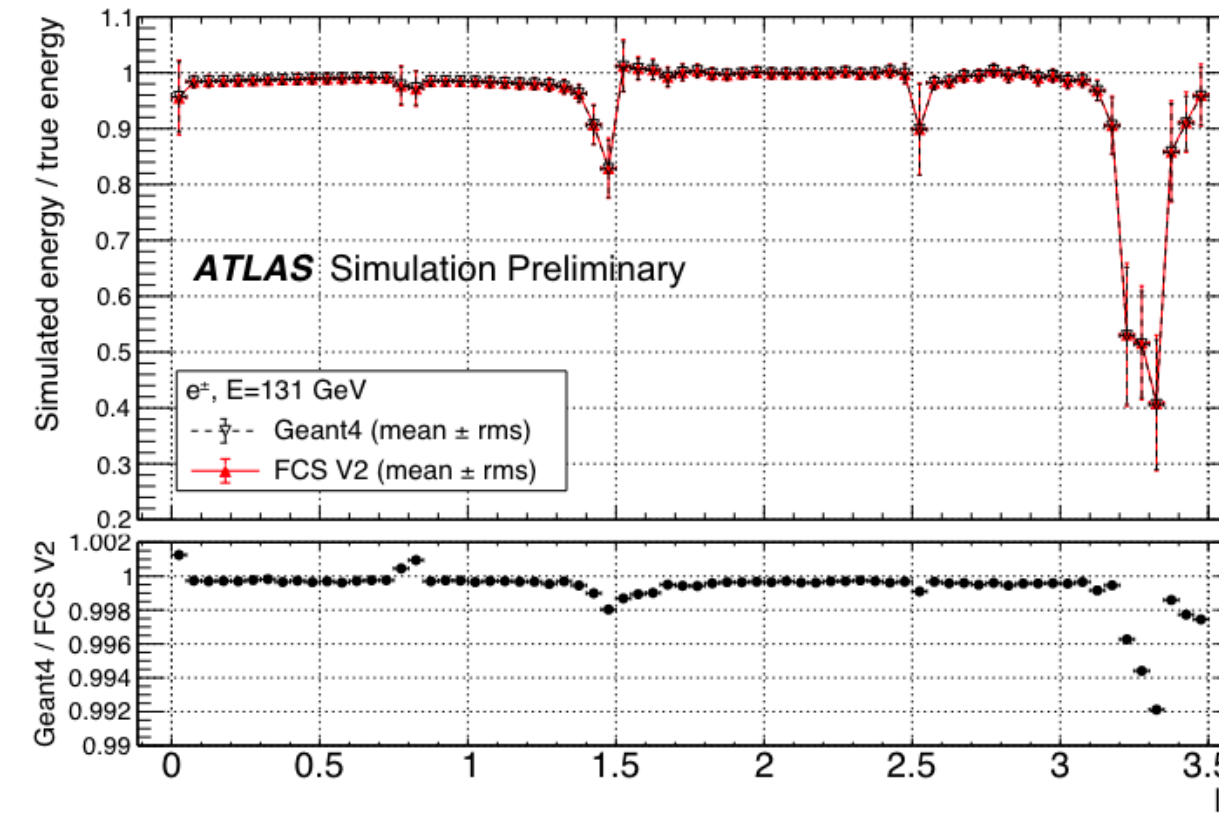
Longitudinal energy parameterisation

- Toy simulation for pions of $E = 1$ TeV within $0.20 < |\eta| < 0.25$



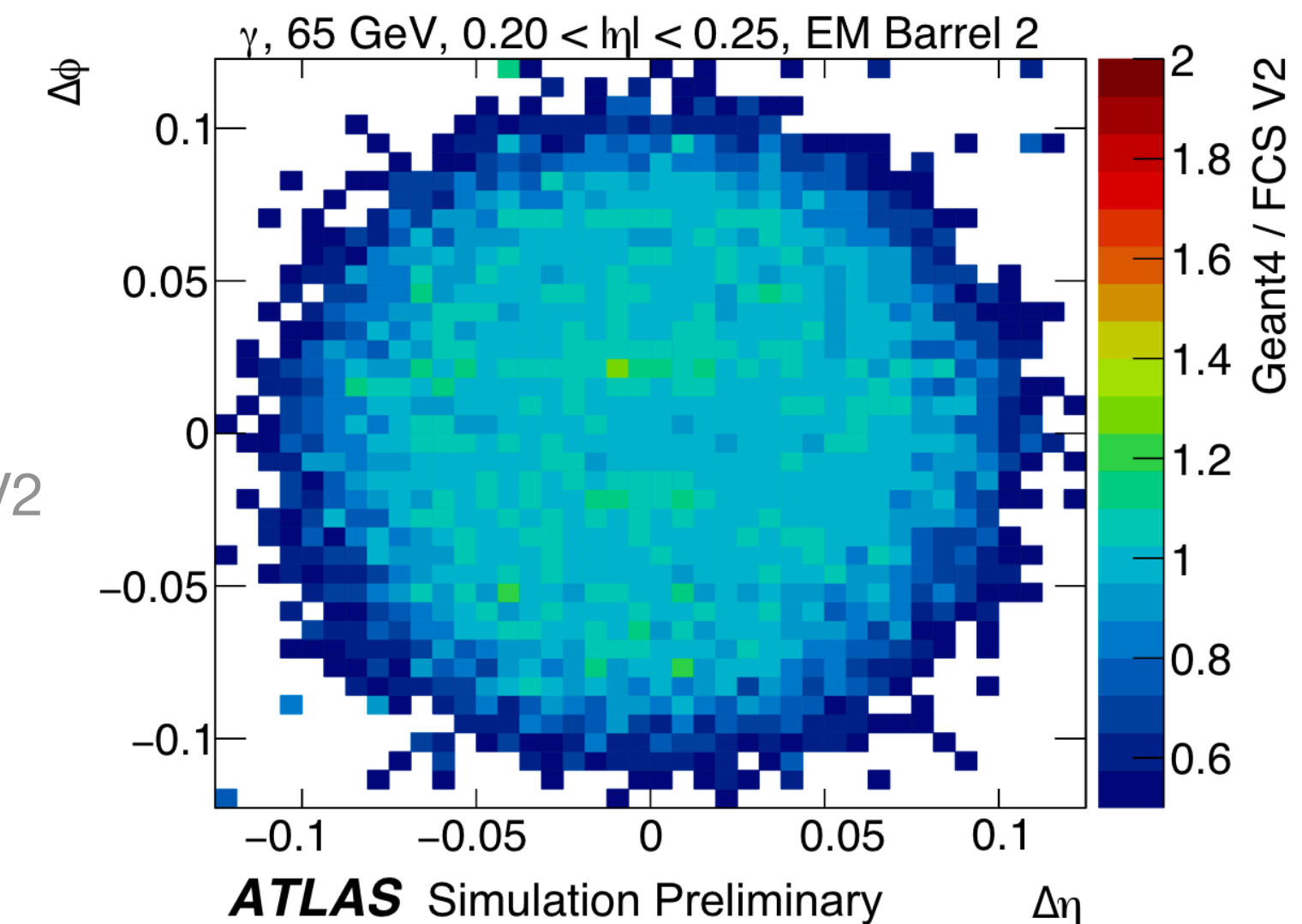
Total energy response

- Electrons (left) and pions (right) of $E = 131$ GeV within $0 < |\eta| < 3.5$



Lateral shower parameterisation

- Photons of $E = 65$ GeV within $0.20 < |\eta| < 0.25$
- Shown is ratio of FastCaloSimV2 and Geant4
- Coordinates calculated w.r.t. position of incident particle on calorimeter layer surface

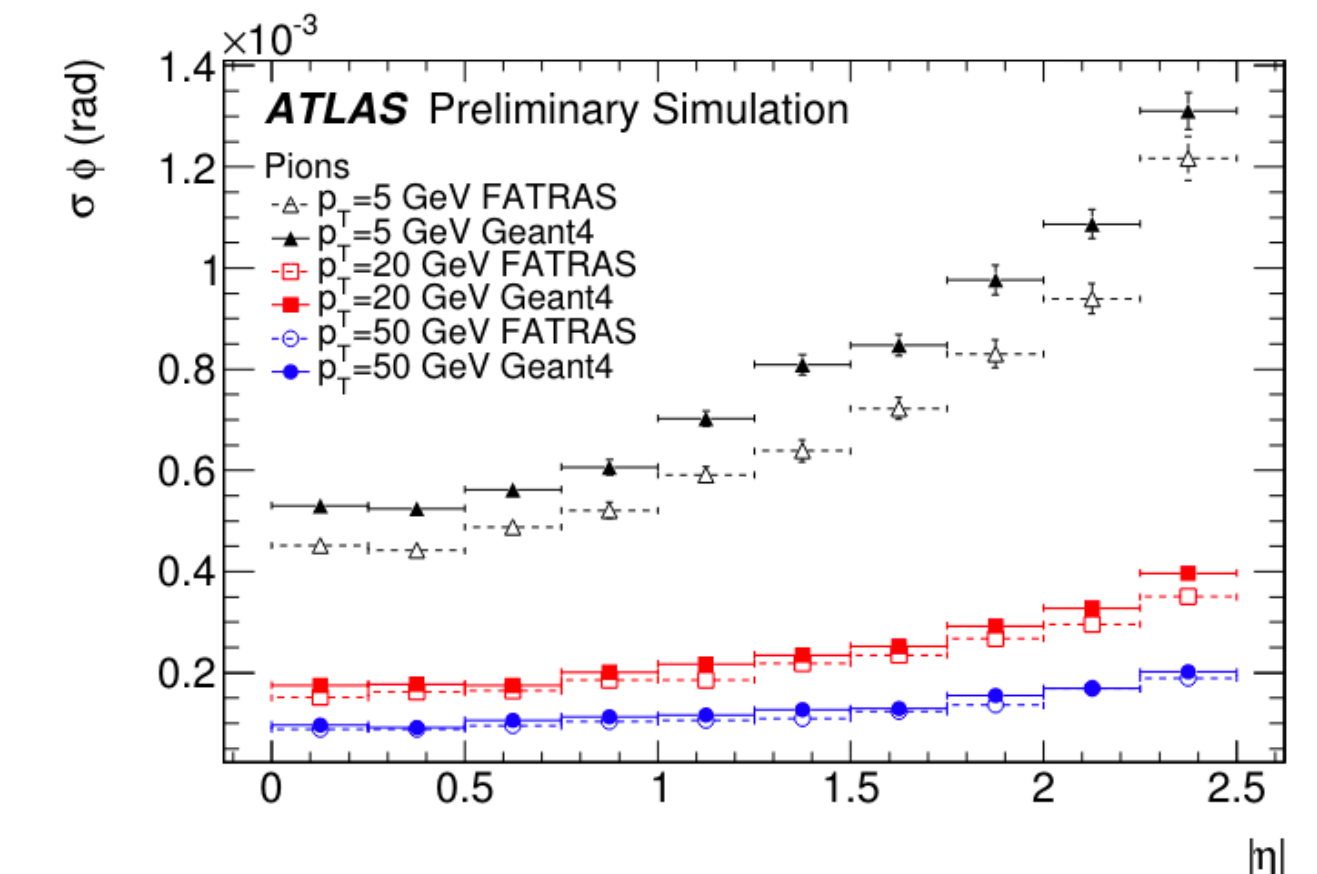
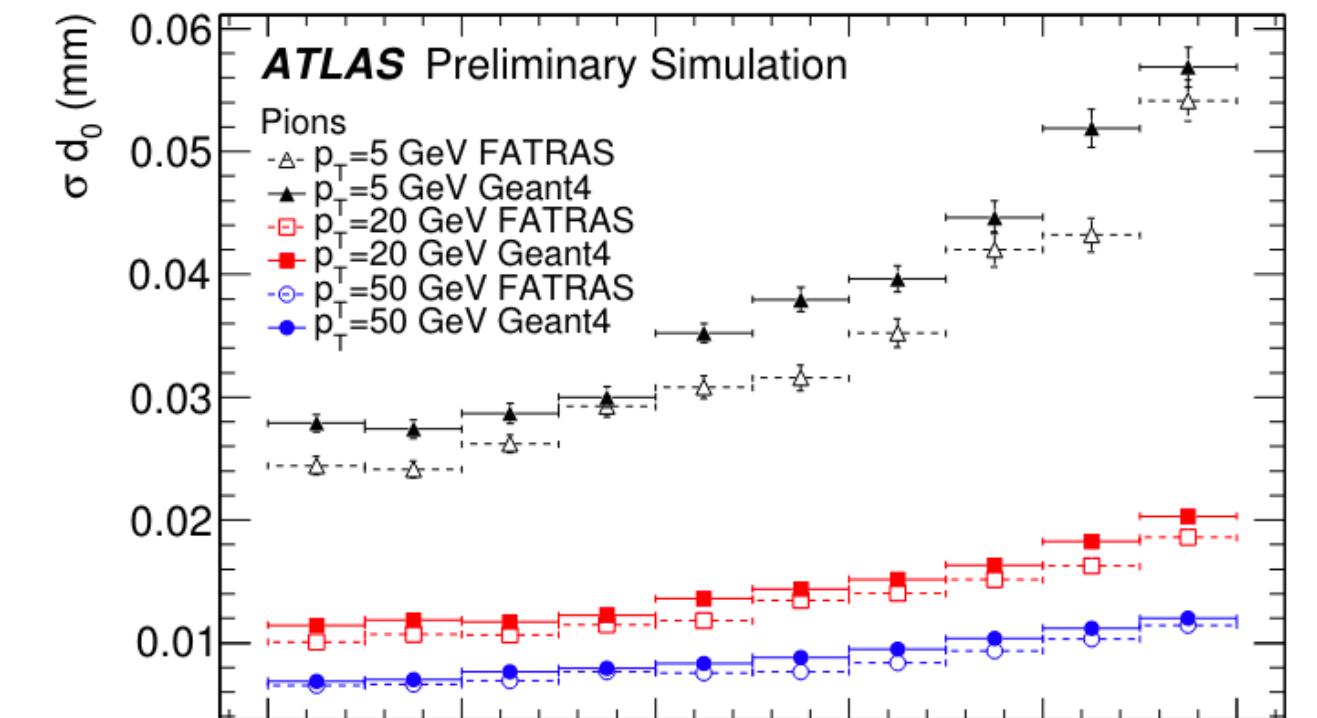
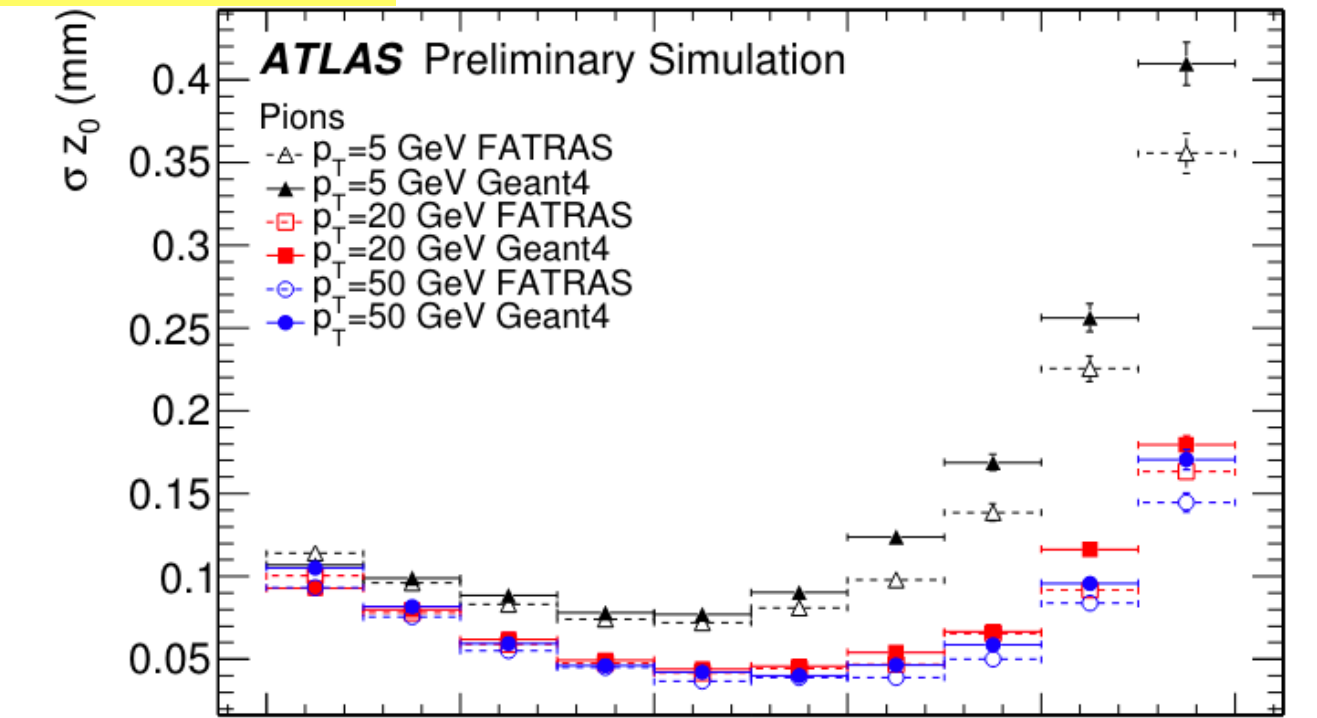
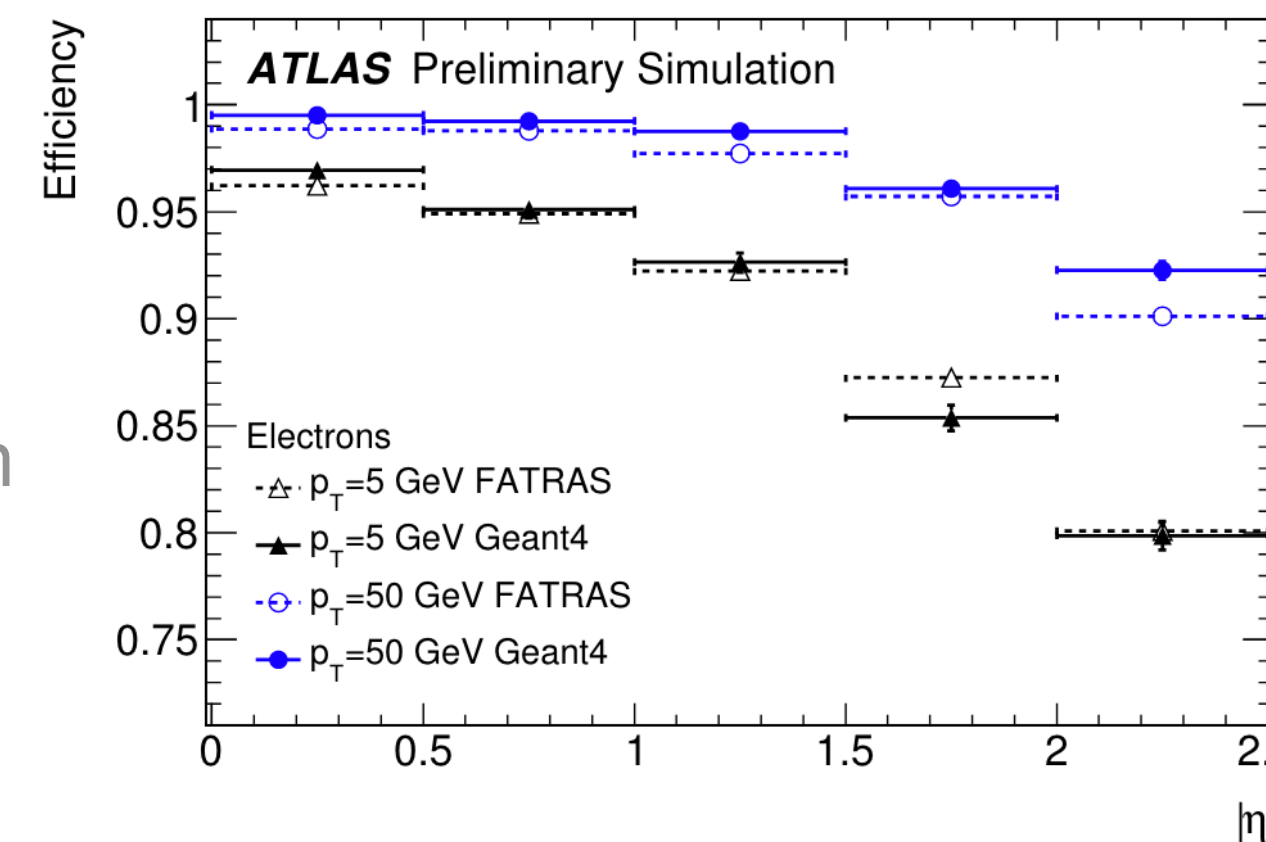
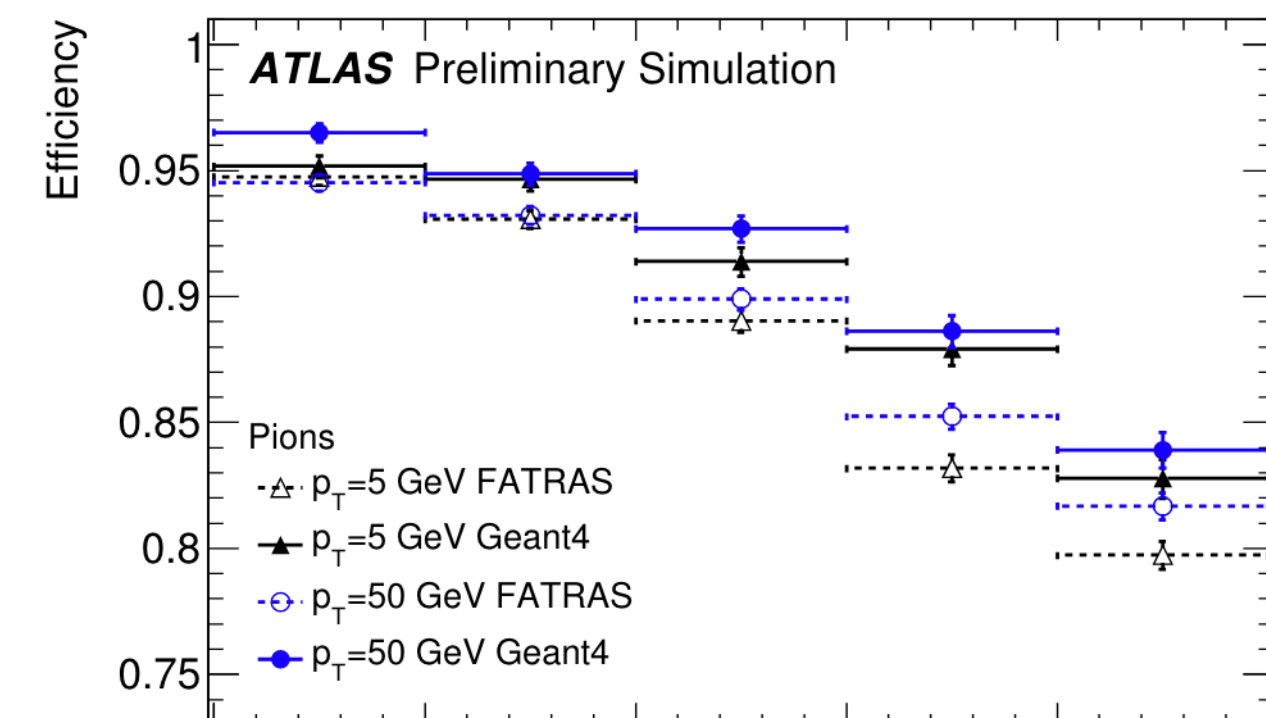
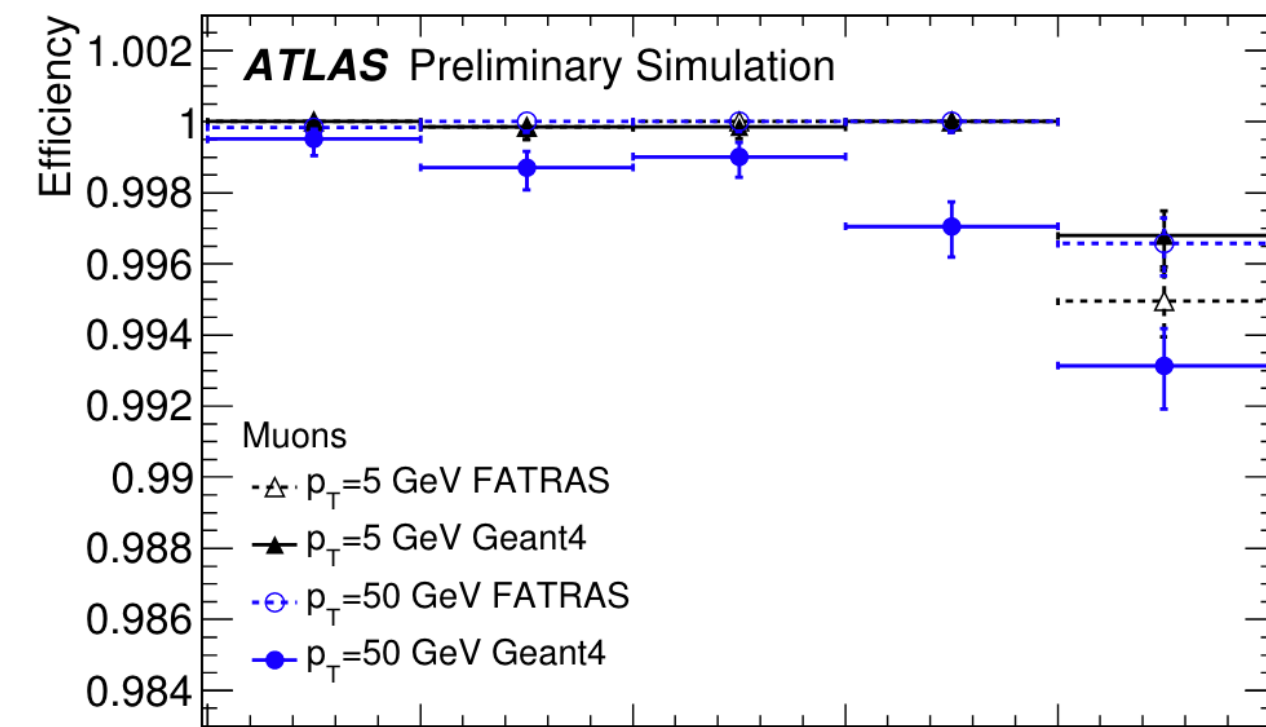


Fast track simulation engine

- Inner Detector and Muon Spectrometer
- Based on simplified [TrackingGeometry](#)
 - Volumes projected onto thin layers
- Produces full track information, e.g. hits on tracks
- Part of ATLFAST-IIF configuration
 - FastCaloSim + FATRAS

Extrapolator [[ATLAS-SOFT-PUB-2007-005](#)]

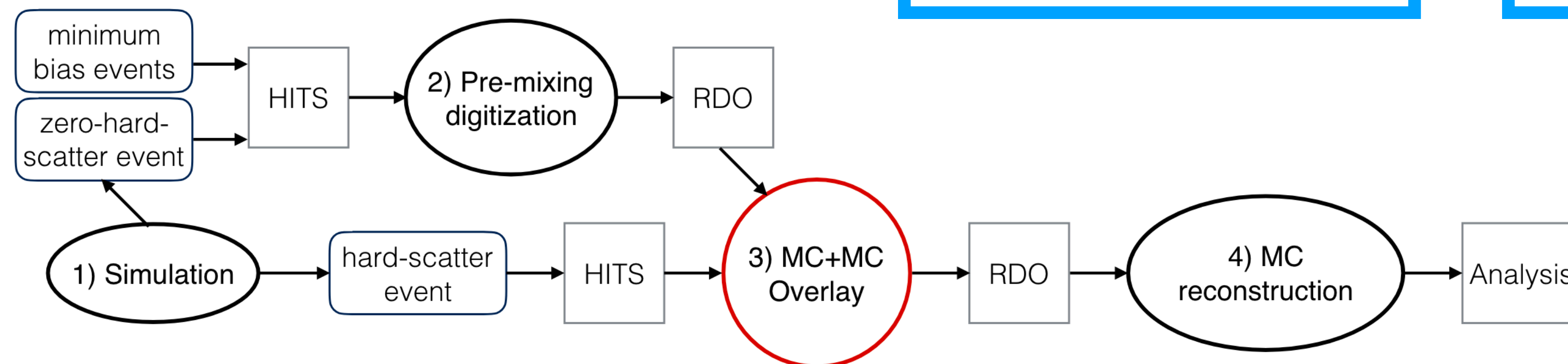
- Transports track parameters ($d_0, z_0, \phi, \theta, q/p$) through detector
- Material effects applied based on amount of traversed material
- Supports multiple scattering, bremsstrahlung, photon conversion, unstable particle decay (modelled in Geant4)



Incorporating pile-up into simulation

Option 1:
"Pile-up MC" (current default)
Simulate both hard and soft interactions in MC and mix together in proper ratios.

Option 2:
"Pile-up Overlay"
Simulate only hard interaction in MC and overlay a random background event.

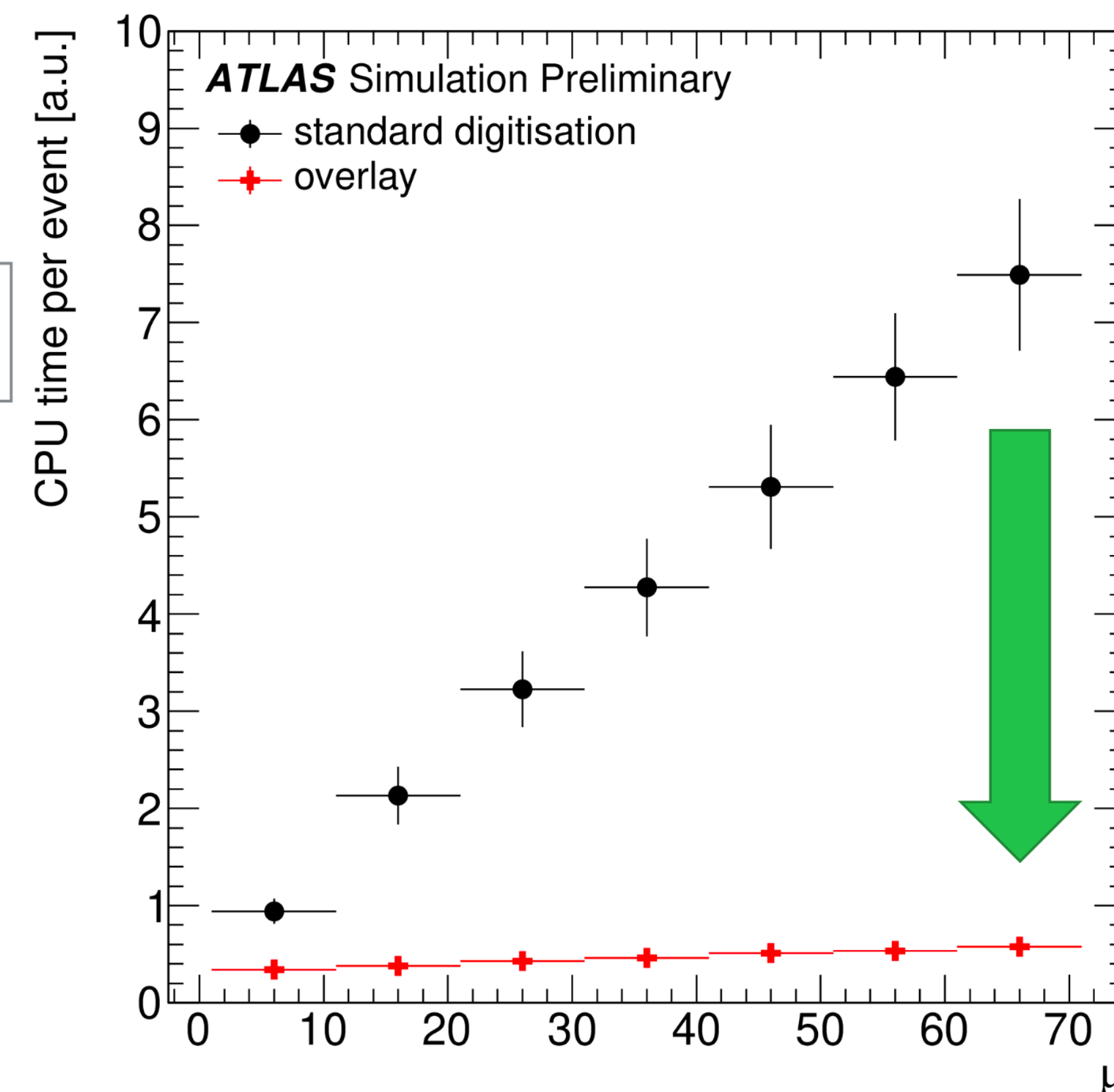


Benefits

- CPU requirements substantially decreased
 - Digitise once
 - IO "thrashing" reduced

Drawbacks

- Uniquely labelling pre-mixed events
- Sub-threshold HS+PU lead to above threshold signal would be missed
- 10^9 events \sim 4 PB



Highly modularised for flexibility

Develop, test, debug, validate each component independently

Example production setup

- **Hard-scatter:** Geant4, standard digitisation+reconstruction
- **Pile-up:** FATRAS+FastCaloSim, fast digitisation+reconstruction

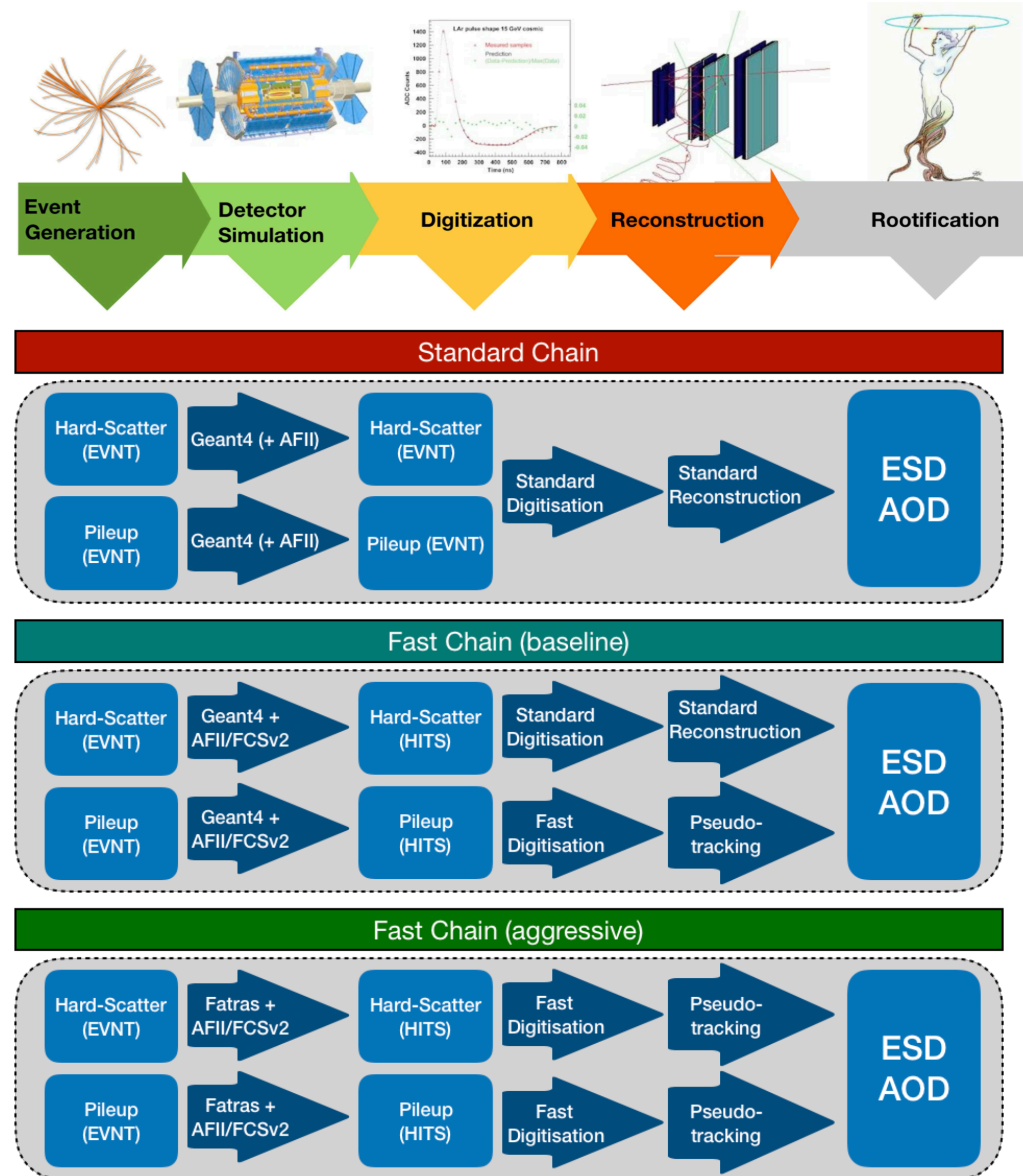
Incorporates all fast methods discussed

- **Inner Detector:** FATRAS
- **Calorimeter:** FastCaloSim

...and then some

- Fast Digitisation
- Fast Reconstruction

One transform to rule them all.



Fast Chain: fast digitisation

Fast Digitisation for Inner Detector

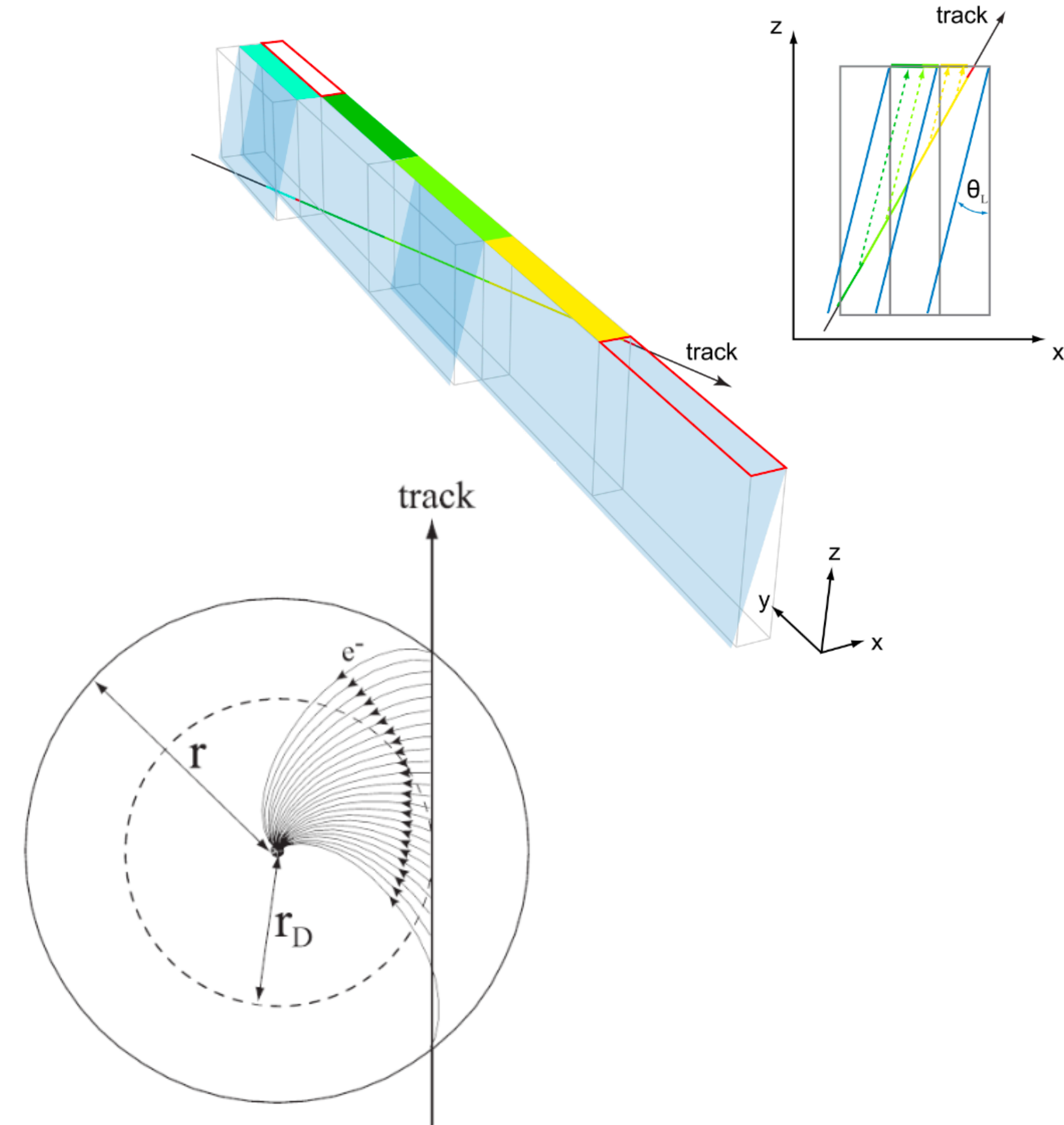
- Most time-consuming (~50%) due to high density of hits
- Implemented for Pixel, SCT, and TRT detectors

Pixel and SCT

- Estimate charge by projecting simulated track length onto readout surface (for each readout channel)
 - Corrections made for Lorentz angle drift
- Charge and track lengths smeared to account for multiple scattering
- Form clusters directly from track information (no cluster-finding algorithms)

TRT

- Emulate response using distance of nearest approach
- Smear for uncertainty estimate
- Transition radiation parameterisation allows for particle ID



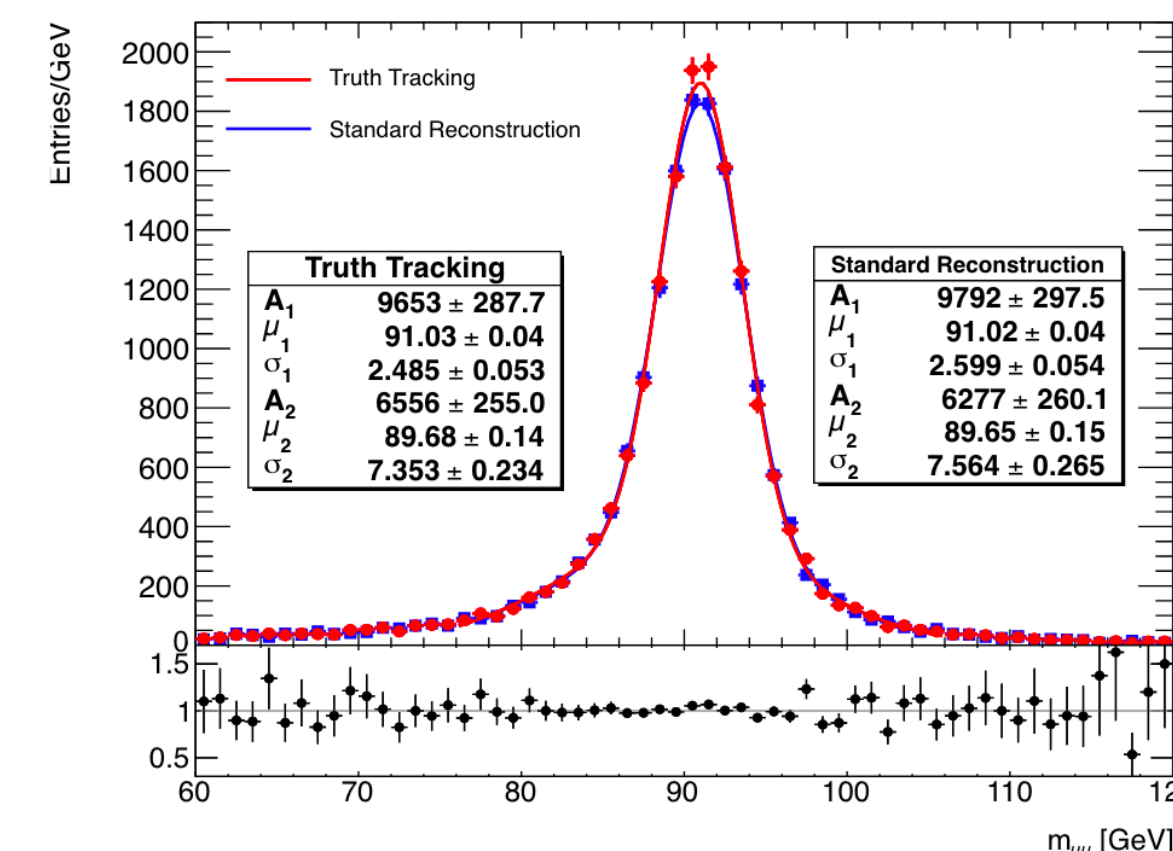
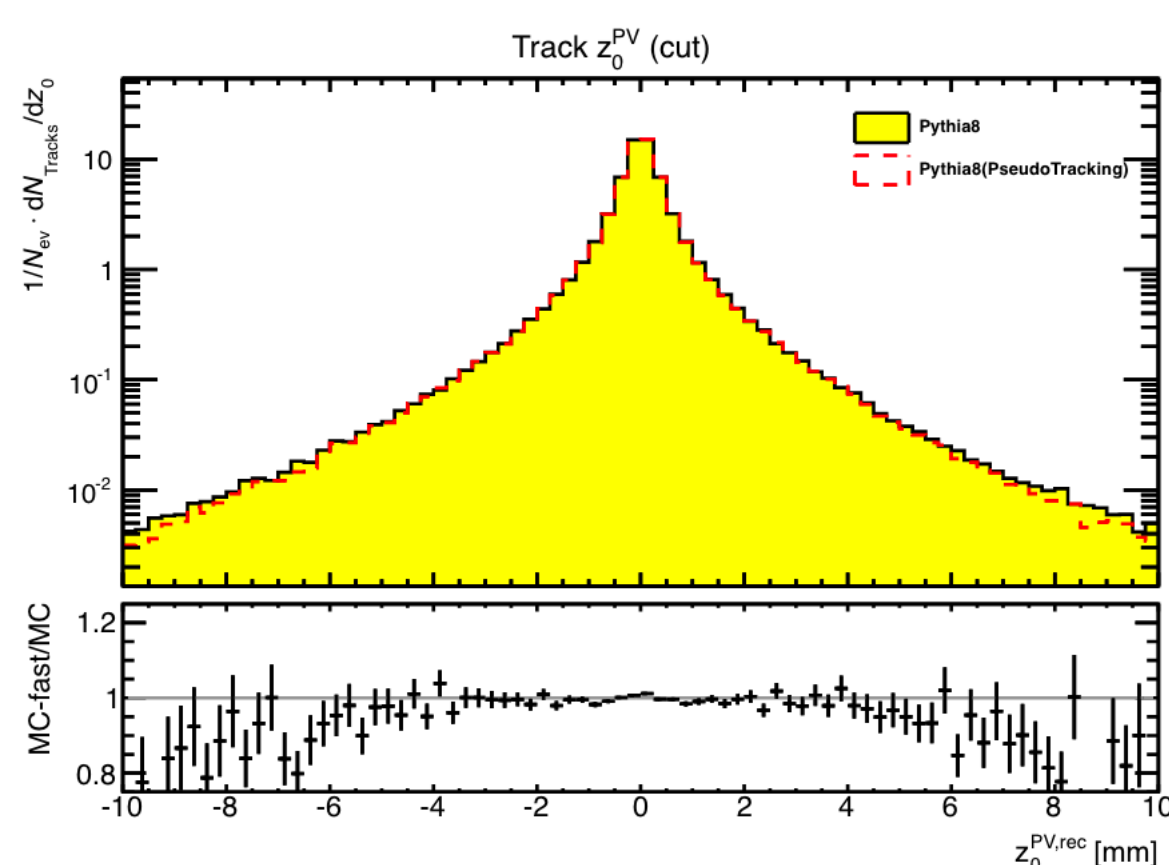
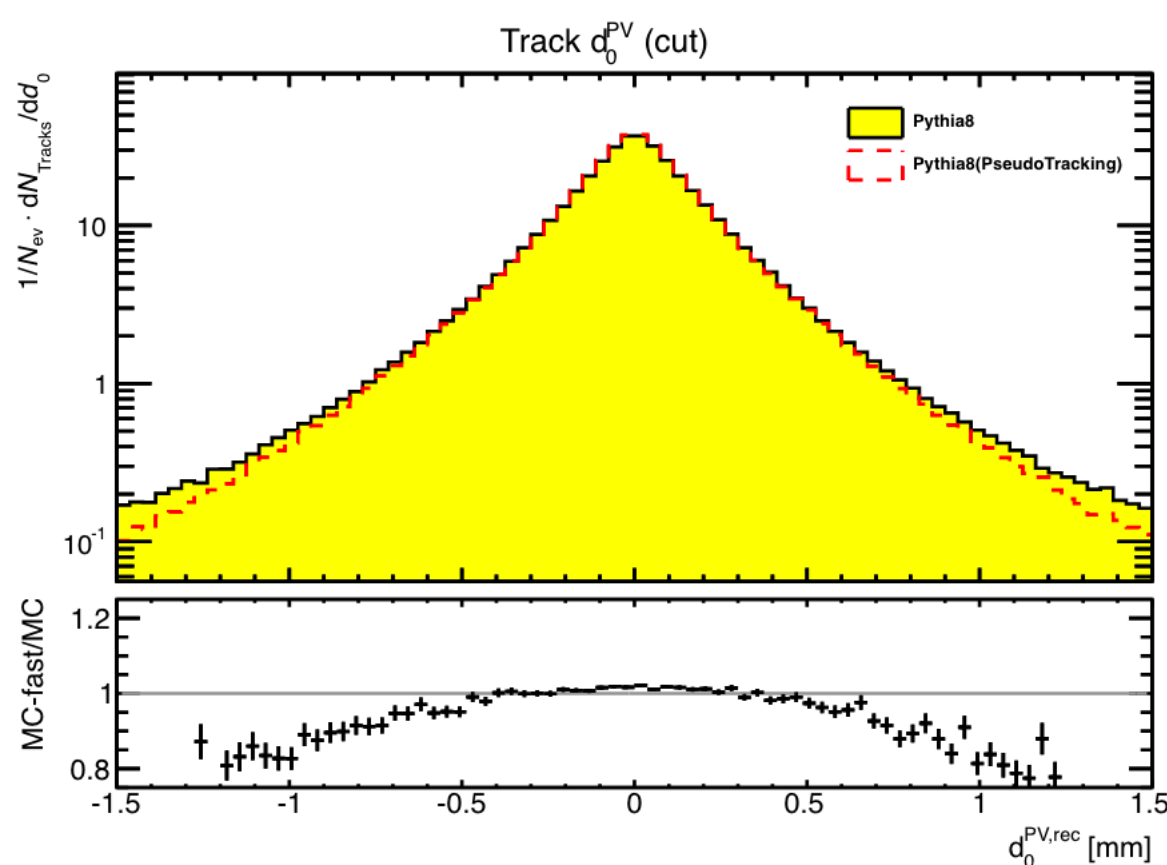
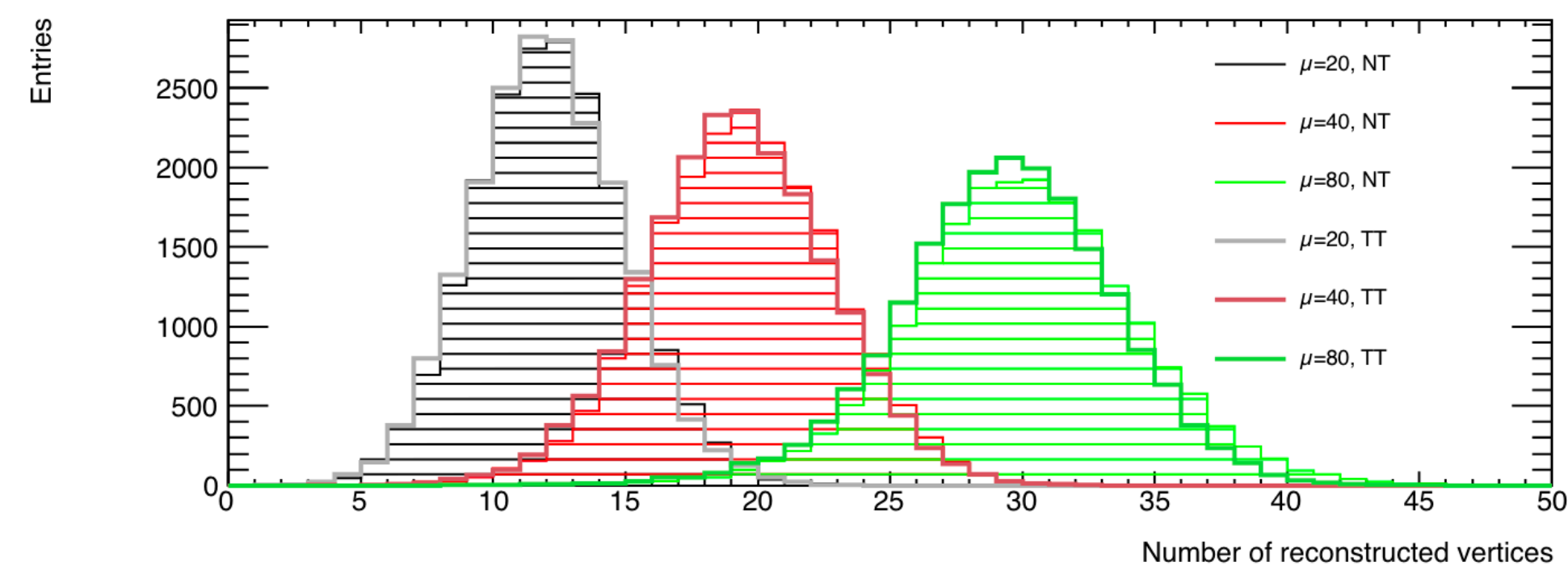
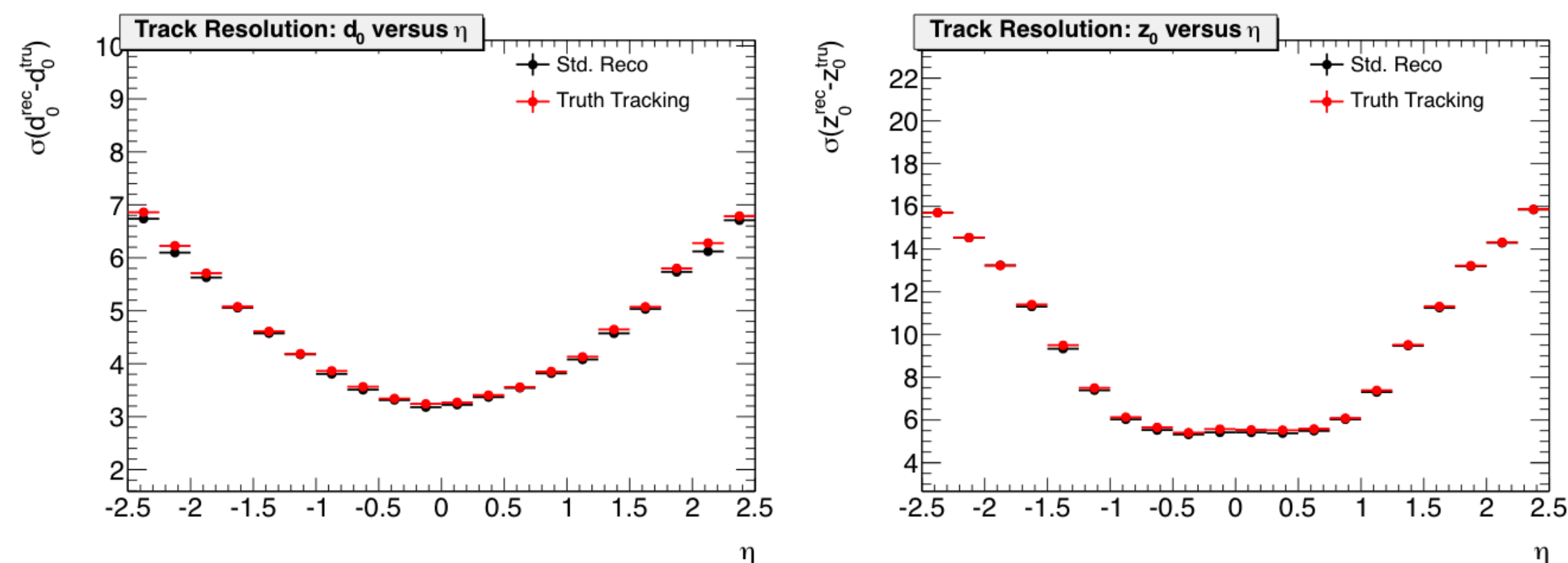
Fast Chain: fast reconstruction

Fast(/truth-assisted(/seeded)) Reconstruction (/Pseudo-tracking)

- Build particle trajectories from digitised hits
- Combinatorial in nature, exponential increase with increasing pile-up
 - ▶ Dominated by Inner Detector

Methodology

- Emulate effect of standard algorithms using MC generator (*i.e.* truth) information
- Skip time-consuming pattern recognition
- Manipulate hit content and efficiency
- Apply similar selection on criteria used in standard tracking



The future of [ATLAS] fast simulation

Machine Learning

DNNCaloSim ([ATLAS-SOFT-SLIDE-2018-464](#))

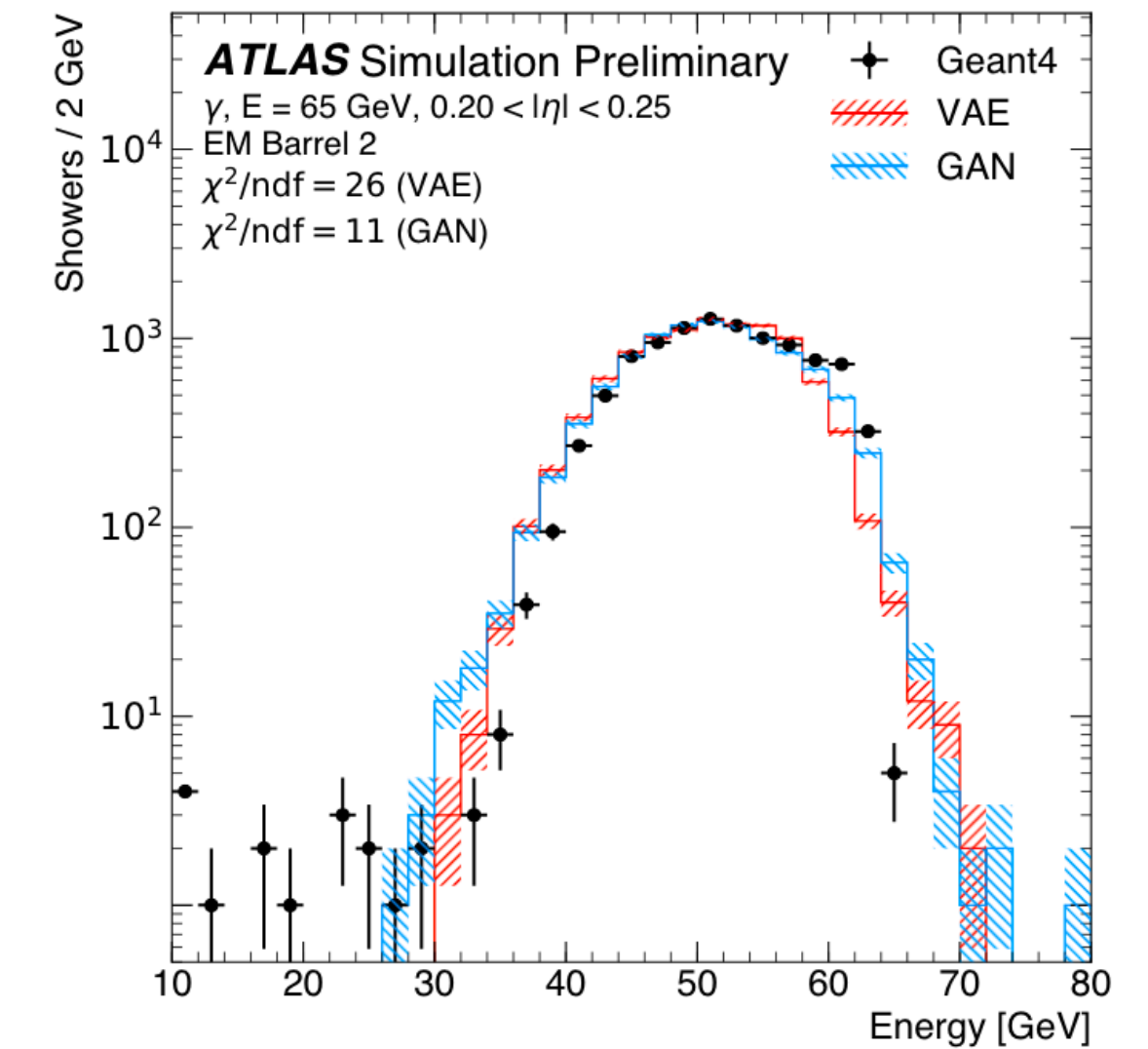
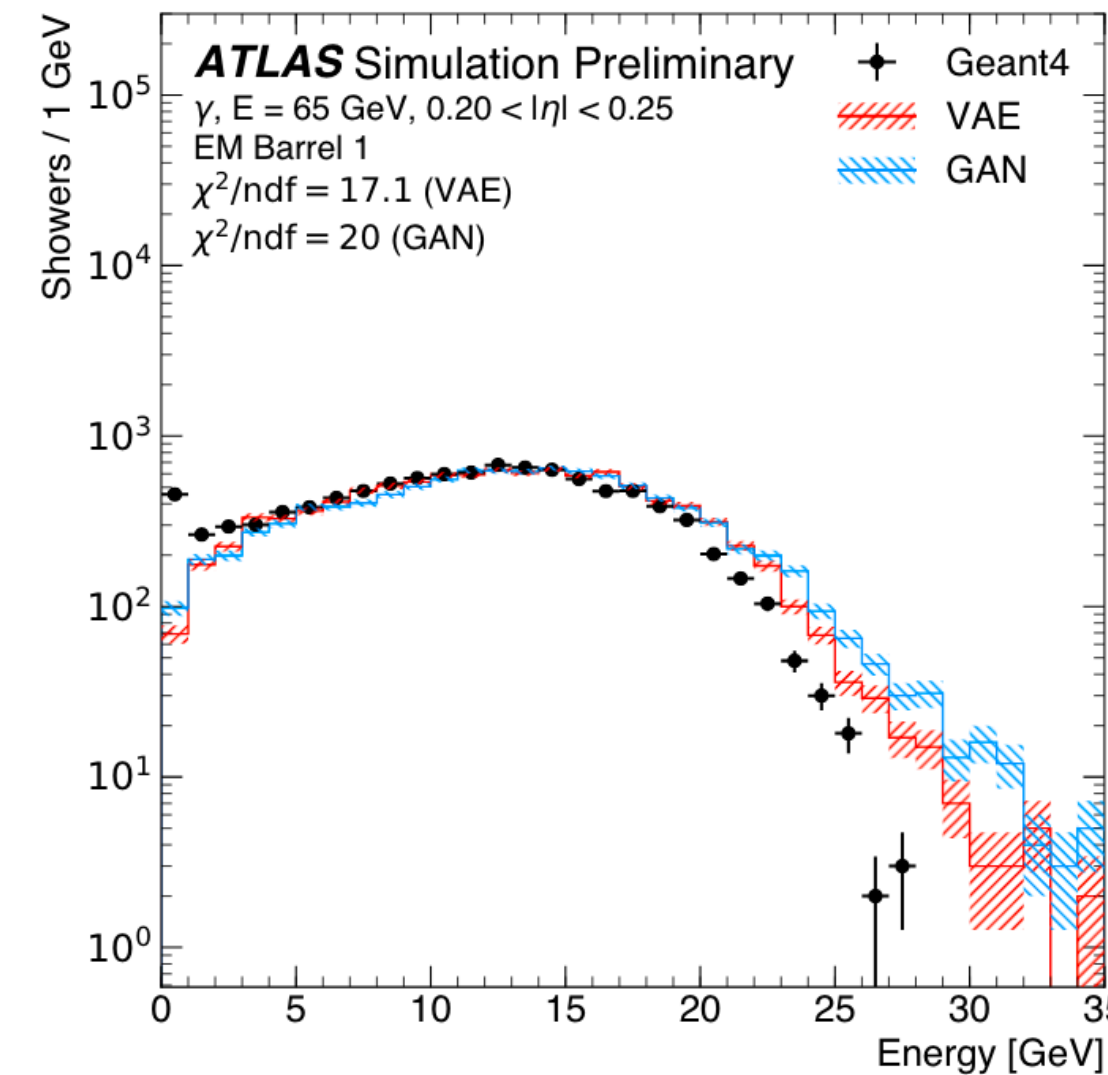
- Variational Auto Encoder (VAE)
 - Unsupervised learning with variational Bayesian method
- Generative Adversarial Network (GAN)
 - Generative network with discriminator network feedback

General Purpose Graphics Processing Units

- Geant4 colleagues/friends already investigating ([Canal et al 2015 J. Phys.: Conf. Ser. 513 052013](#))

High Performance Computing

- Multi-core/process/thread exploitation, MPI, ...
- Theory unit at CERN :)



Algorithm	CPU [ms]	GPU [ms]	CPU/GPU
Classical Runge-Kutta	78.6	1.7	47.4
Cash-Karp	87.9	1.6	55.2
Runge-Kutta-Nystrom	30.9	0.7	46.9

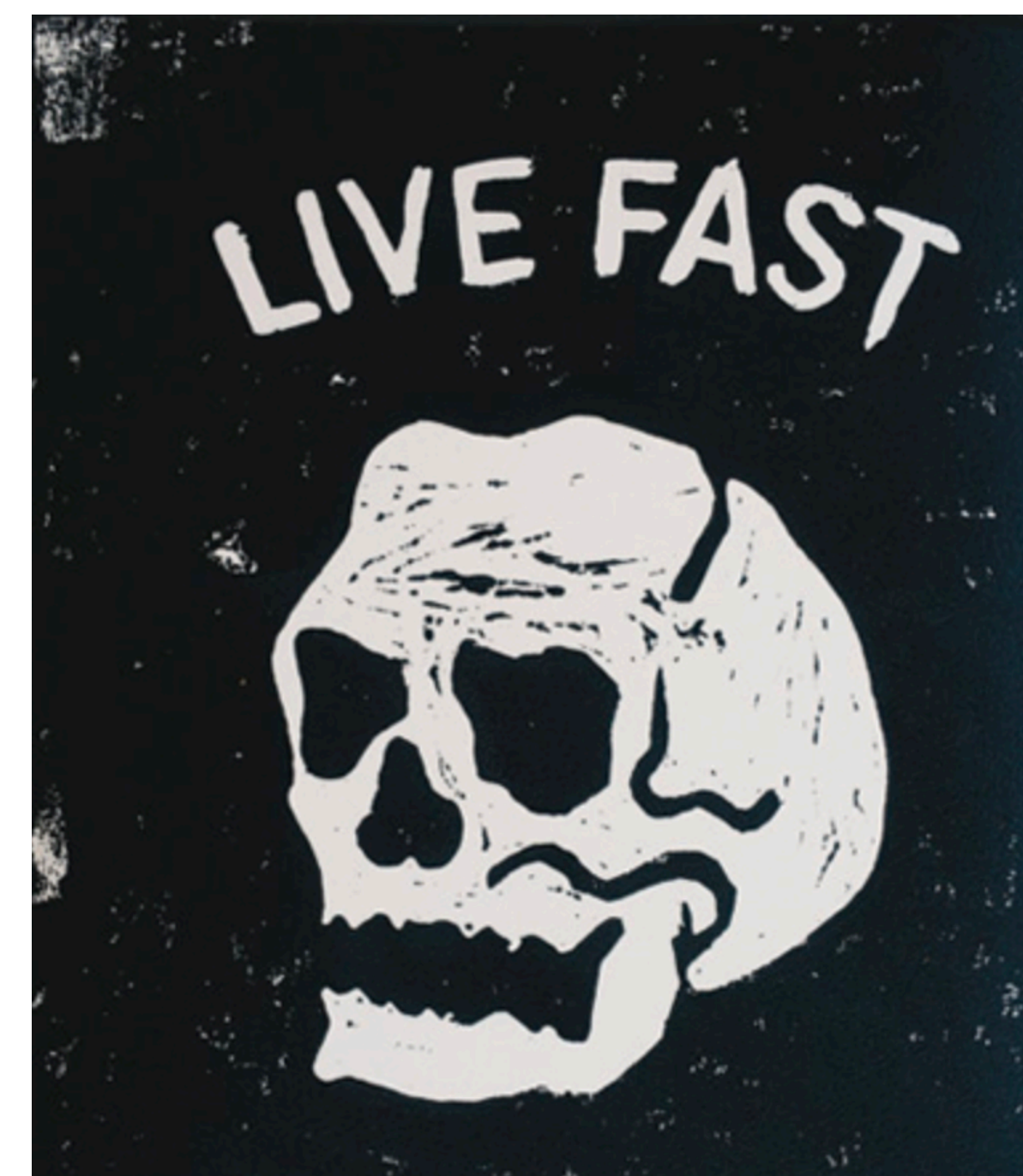
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AMD Opteron TM 6136	M2090 [12]	748	37.8	19.8
Intel® Xeon E5-2620	K20M [8]	571	30.4	18.7

We all know Fast Simulation is a must in HEP

- Ever increasing luminosity, particle flux, pile-up
- Many unique techniques/methodologies have been tried within our experiments
- New ideas are needed: parameterisations and other naïve simplifications will do not suffice, and **it will only get worse!**

Take advantage of new and exciting opportunities

- New avenues need to be explored in HEP simulation
 - Machine learning
 - Only recently (this has been done for years in the analysis realm!)
 - Multi-processing/threading/parallelisation, utilising HPC and GPUs
 - Current ATLAS codebase (*i.e.* Athena) and ROOT not thread-safe
 - ATLAS making good progress to correct this



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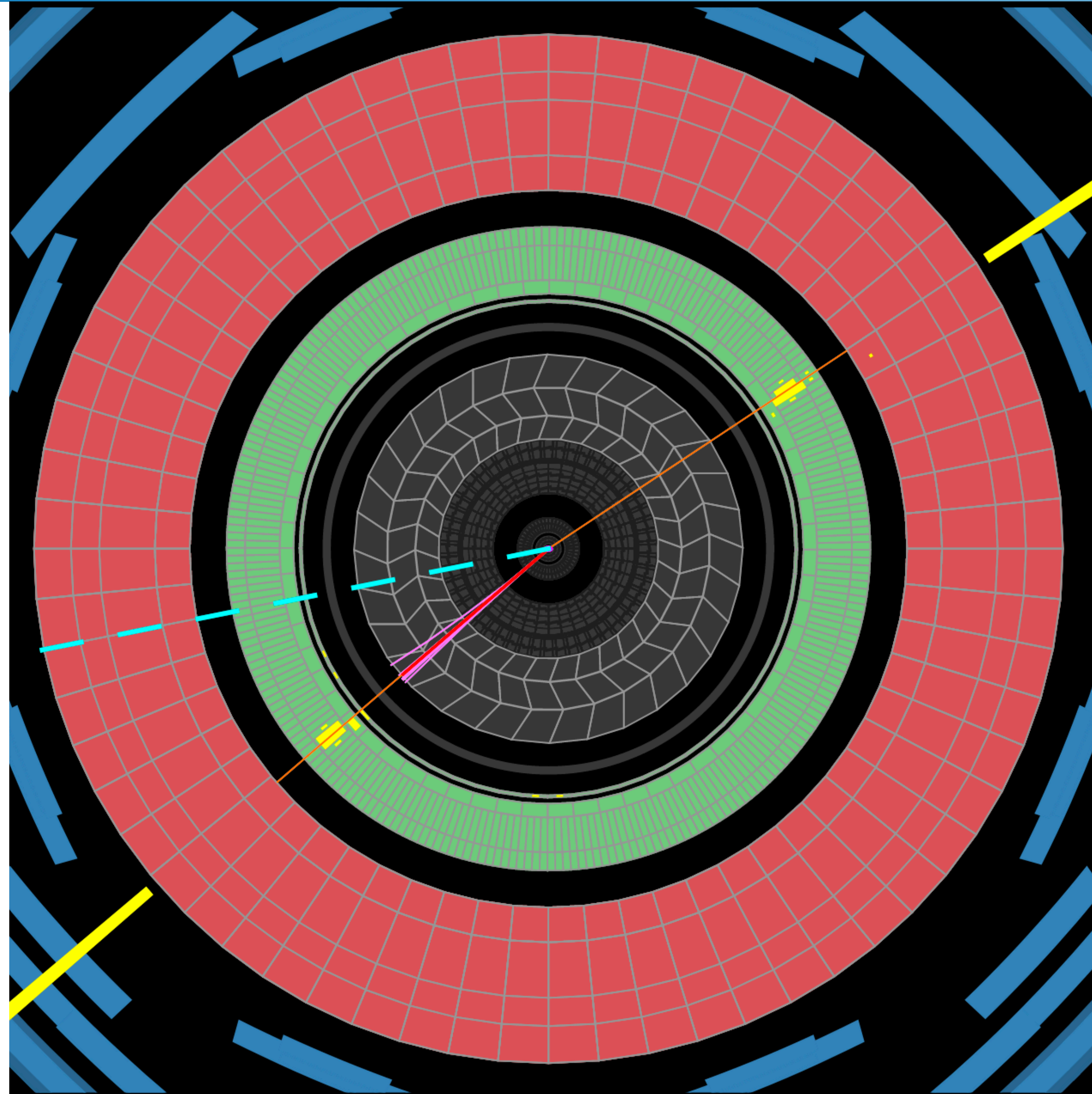
Usually studies are burdened by lack of human-power.

We need to bring a larger focus to HEP software and computing!



(The joke: Calvin Pickard is/was a "backup" goalie.)

Event display of a $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ event (FCSv2)



FCS V2, $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ MC

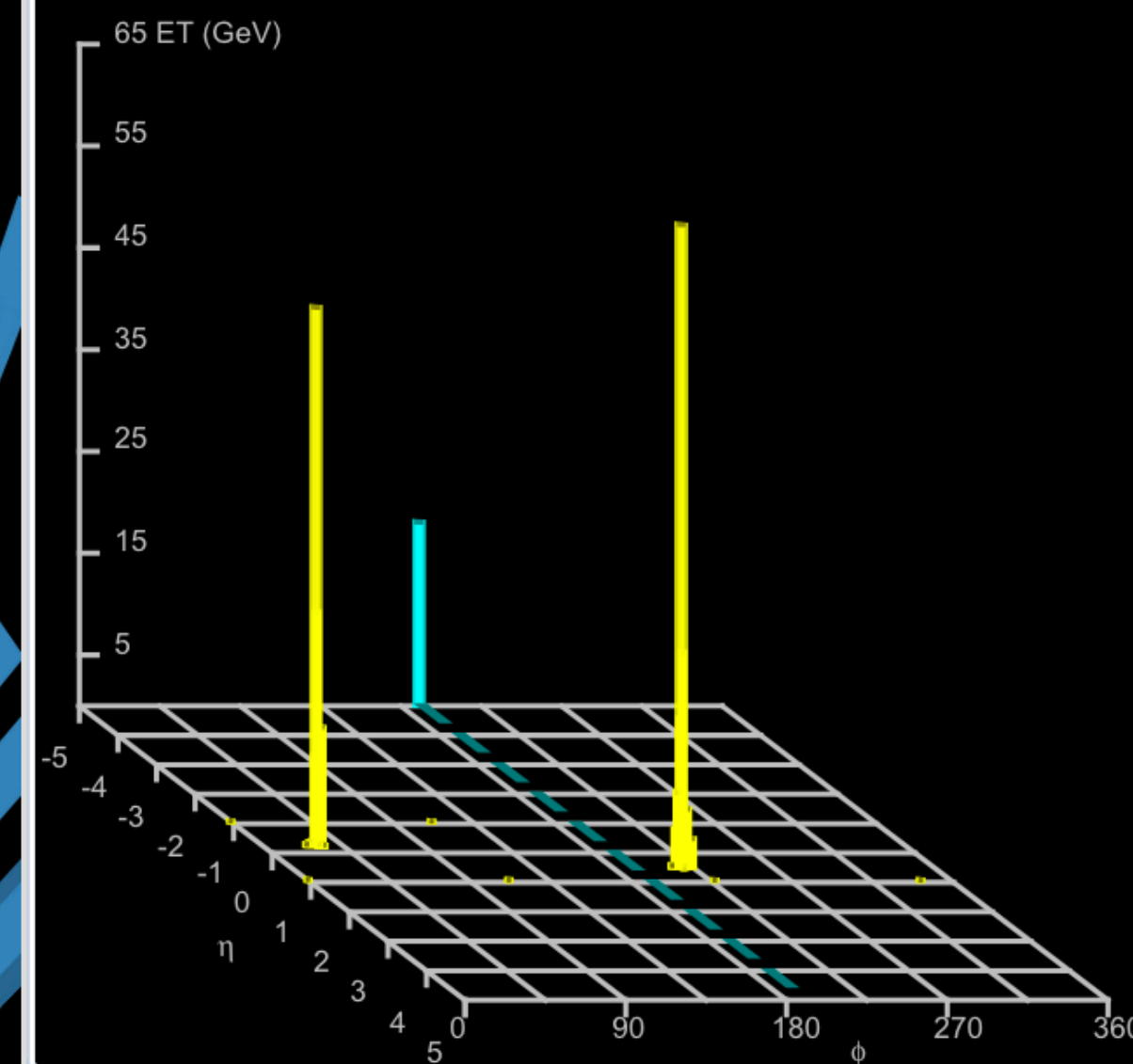
Reconstructed photon

Reconstructed track

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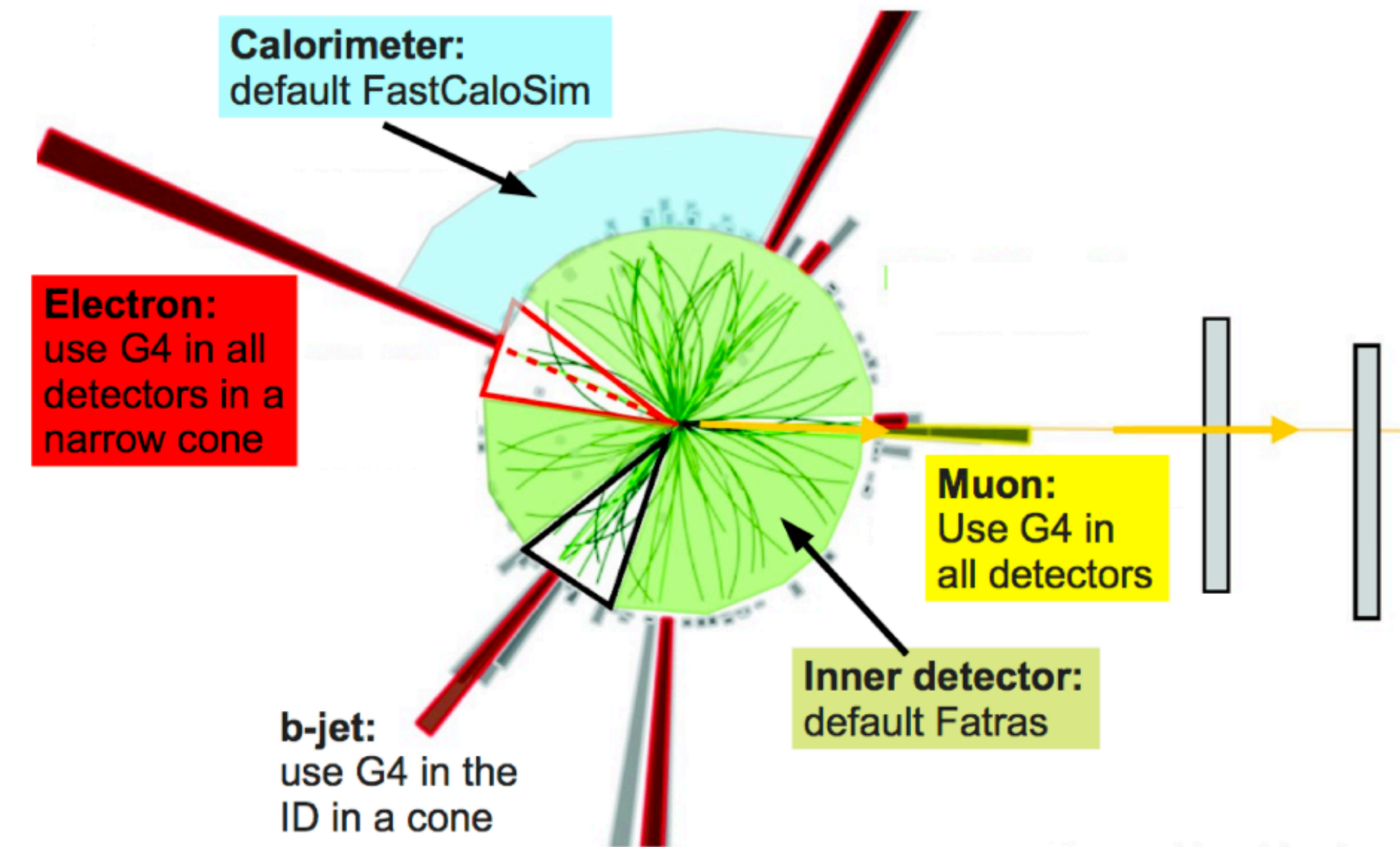
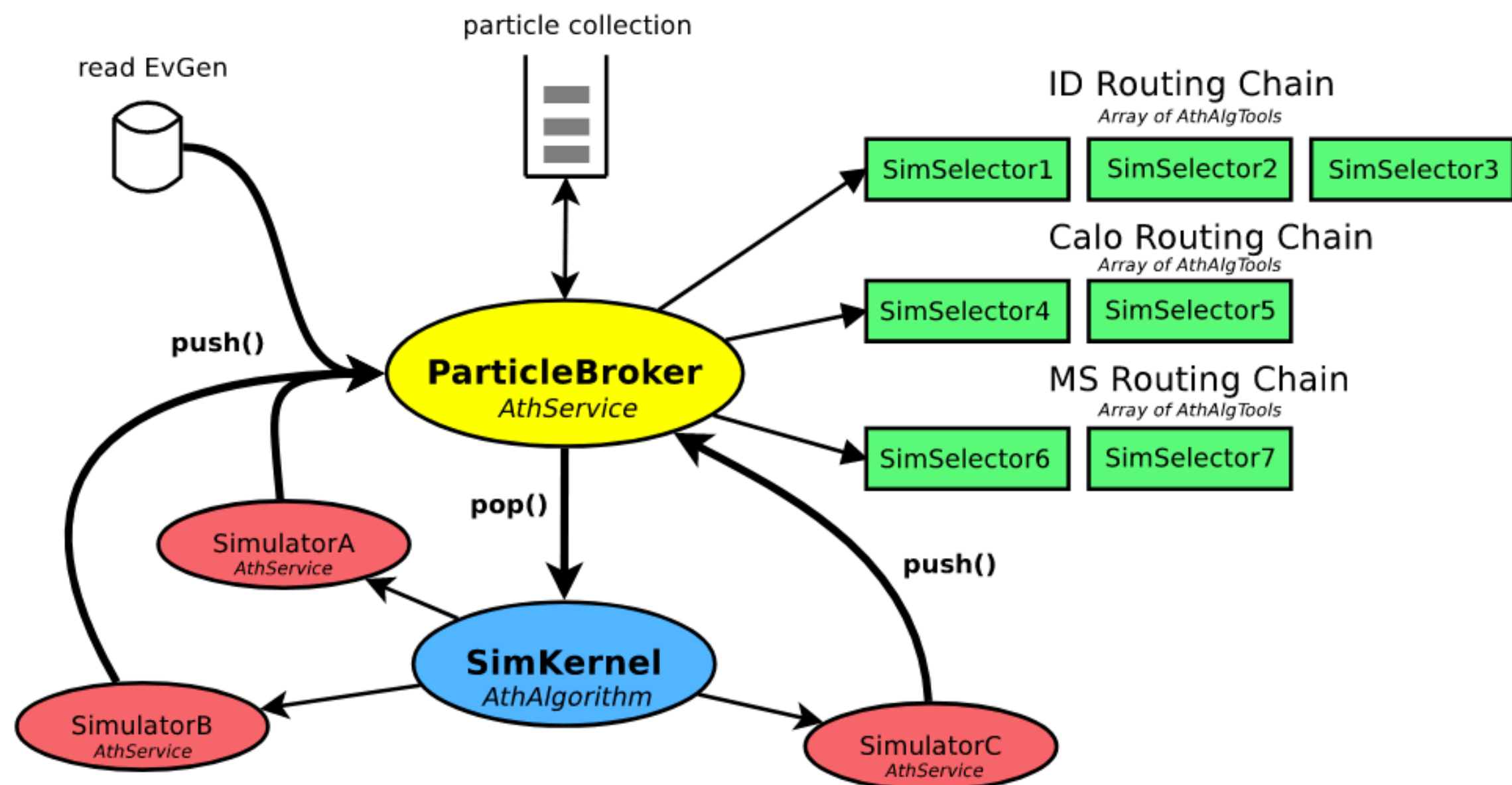
Simulated charged particle

Simulated neutral particle



A different simulator for each particle type

- Combined Geant4 and fast simulation within same event
- Finely tailorable based on physics analysis needs
 - Fully simulated particles of interest, fast simulate all others
 - Fast simulate within dR cone around particle of interest
 - Partial event simulation



Example: Higgs to two photons

- Simulate only particles in cones around photons

