

MASS UNSPECIFIC SUPERVISED TAGGING (MUST) FOR BOOSTED JETS

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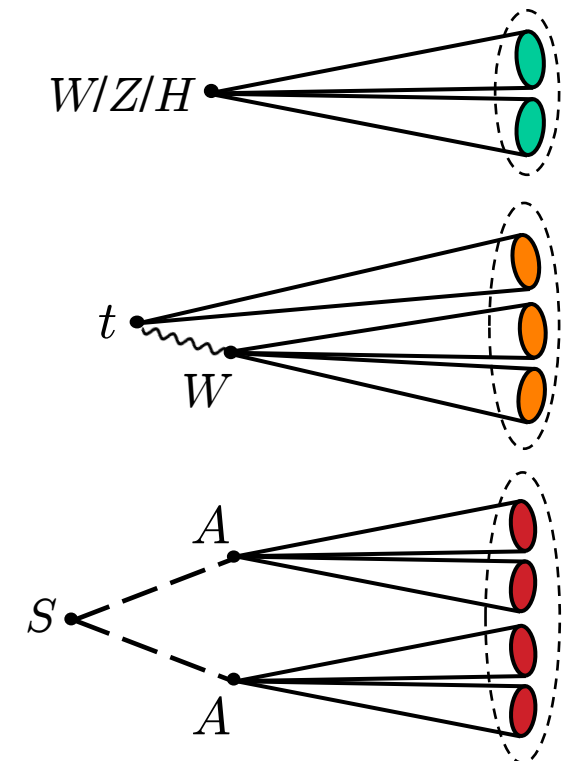
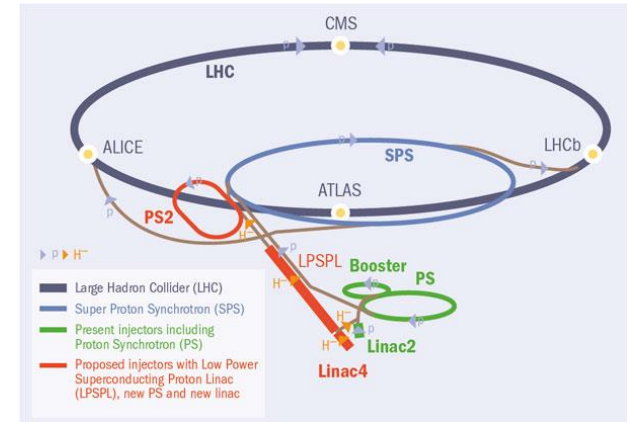


MOTIVATION

- In the decades to come, the high-energy frontier of particle physics will continue to be explored at the **Large Hadron Collider (LHC)**;
- Most jets stem from **Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD)** processes...
- ...but when sufficiently boosted, the hadronic decays of Standard Model (SM) particles like the **W**, **Z** and **Higgs bosons** and the **top quark** also yield jets;
- **Hadronic decays of new particles** can produce jets too;
- A lot of theoretical frameworks beyond the SM predict multi-jet signals originated from direct or cascade decays of yet unseen particles.

e.g. J. A. Aguilar-Saavedra, F. R. Joaquim; JHEP 01 (2016) 183
K. S. Agashe *et al.*; JHEP 05 (2017) 78

Therefore...



Jet identification tools are crucial for new physics searches at the LHC.

Searches for new gauge-bosons, scalars and spin-2 particles

A. M. Sirunyan *et al.* [CMS]; JHEP 08 (2017) 29
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M. Aaboud *et al.* [ATLAS]; Phys. Lett. B 781 (2018) 327
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A. M. Sirunyan *et al.* [CMS]; Phys. Rev. D 99, 1 (2019) 12005
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A. M. Sirunyan *et al.* [CMS]; Phys. Rev. D 100, 11 (2019) 112007
G. Aad *et al.* [ATLAS]; Eur. Phys. J. C 80, 12 (2020) 1165

Searches for vector-like quarks

A. M. Sirunyan *et al.* [CMS]; Phys. Lett. B 781 (2018) 574
A. M. Sirunyan *et al.* [CMS]; Eur. Phys. J. C 79 (2019) 90
M. Aaboud *et al.* [ATLAS]; JHEP 05 (2019) 41
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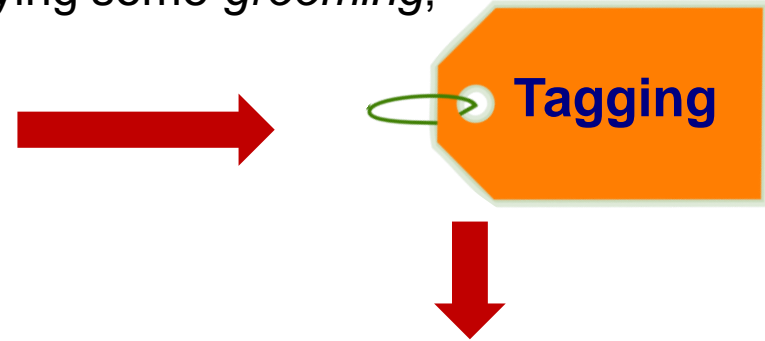
Searches for dark-matter

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JET IDENTIFICATION

It requires:

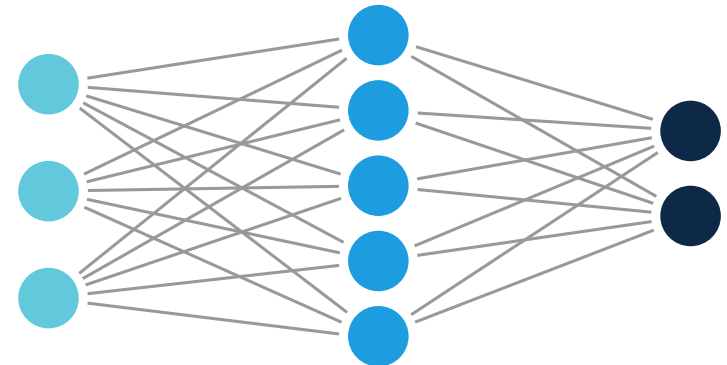
- Quantifying its mass, usually after applying some *grooming*;
- Inferring the number of quarks and gluons clustered inside it (*prongs*).



Examples:

Processes	Prongness	Classification
QCD	One-pronged (1P)	Background
$W/Z/H \rightarrow q\bar{q}$	Two-pronged (2P)	Signal
$t \rightarrow W^+b \rightarrow q\bar{q}b$	Three-pronged (3P)	
$S \rightarrow AA \rightarrow q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$	Four-pronged (4P)	

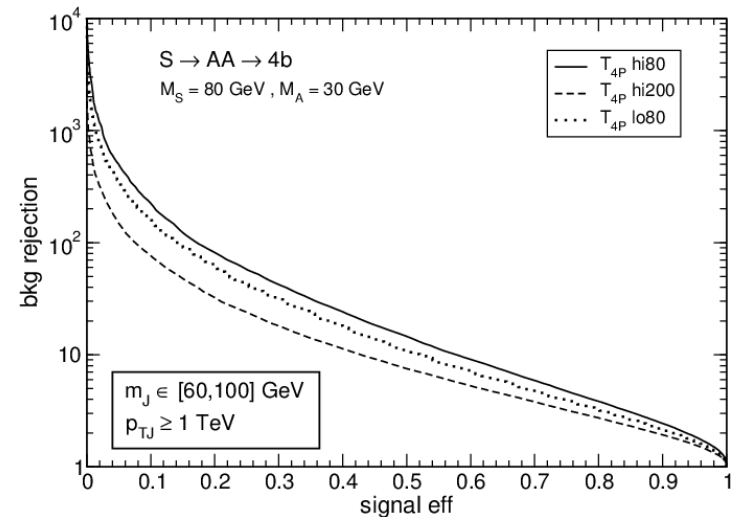
Here, this procedure relies on the training of **Neural Networks (NNs)**.



MASS DECORRELATION

- The mass of a jet and the variables that encode its substructure are usually **correlated**;
- The mass decorrelation methods employed so far in supervised taggers leave a residual dependence of the results on the jet mass and transverse momentum training ranges. **Consequently...**

Their performance drops when applied to kinematical regions different from those used to train them.



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Solution ?? 🤔

- **Build generic taggers, sensitive to any kind of jets**
- **Excellent performance for all jet masses**
- **Mass decorrelation**

MASS UNSPECIFIC SUPERVISED TAGGING

Considering the **jet mass** and its **transverse momentum** varying over wide ranges, we make them input variables of a multivariate tool, together with **jet substructure observables**.

Mass Unspecific Supervised Tagging (MUST) for boosted jets

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Our MUST-inspired jet taggers have **19** input variables:

- **17 N-subjettiness observables** which characterise jet substructure,

$$\left\{ \tau_1^{(1/2)}, \tau_1^{(1)}, \tau_1^{(2)}, \dots, \tau_5^{(1/2)}, \tau_5^{(1)}, \tau_5^{(2)}, \tau_6^{(1)}, \tau_6^{(2)} \right\};$$

- **Jet's mass**, m_J ;
- **Jet's transverse momentum**, p_T .

Note:

Ratios of N-subjettiness variables will be denoted as

$$\tau_{mn} \equiv \frac{\tau_m^{(1)}}{\tau_n^{(1)}}.$$

All those variables should be **standardised** according to the SM background distributions.

TRAINING SET GENERATION

	Background	Signal
Processes	$pp \rightarrow jj$	$pp \rightarrow ZS$ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All signal types: $Z \rightarrow \nu\nu$ 2P: $S \rightarrow u\bar{u}, S \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ 3P: $S \rightarrow F\nu; F \rightarrow udd, F \rightarrow udb$ 4P: $S \rightarrow u\bar{u}u\bar{u}, S \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$
p_T range	[200, 2200] GeV	
Mass ranges	$m_j \in [50, 250]$ GeV $M_{S,F} \in [30, 400]$ GeV $(M_S \leq p_T R / 2, R=0.8)$	

The decays of S and F are implemented with a flat matrix element (**to achieve generic taggers**).

TAGGER PROPERTIES

Name	Types of events used in training	NN architecture	Output Layer
GenT	Background + 2P + 3P + 4P	2048 x 128	Sigmoid
GenT _{2P}	Background + 2P	1028 x 64	Sigmoid
GenT _{3P}	Background + 3P	1028 x 64	Sigmoid
GenT _{4P}	Background + 4P	1028 x 64	Sigmoid
Prongness selection tagger	2P + 3P + 4P	2048 x 128	Softmax

To evaluate the performance of GenT, GenT_{2P}, GenT_{3P} and GenT_{4P} we use the Area Under the ROC curve (AUC) whereas the Prongness selection tagger is evaluated by measuring its accuracy.

- All our NNs use the Rectified Linear Unit (ReLU) activation function;
- The optimisation of GenT, GenT_{2P}, GenT_{3P} and GenT_{4P} (Prongness selection tagger) rely on the binary (categorical) cross-entropy;
- The Adam optimiser is applied to all NNs.

BENEFIT OF MUST TAGGERS

Non-MUST taggers:

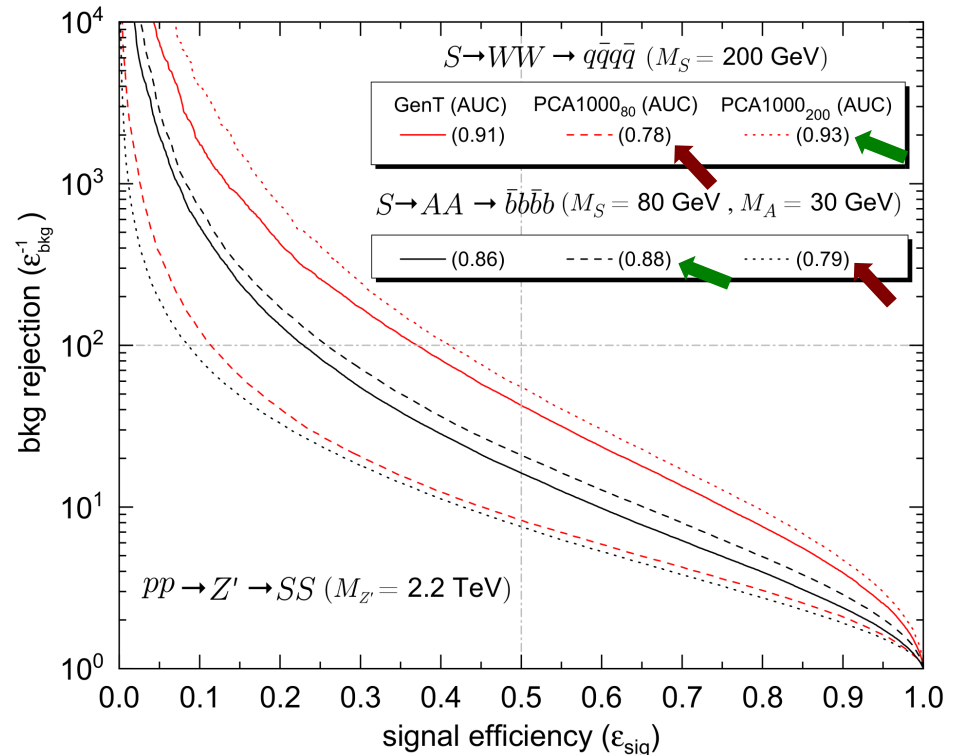
PCA1000₈₀ : Trained for $p_T \geq 1.0$ TeV and on the mass interval $m_J \in [60, 100]$ GeV.

PCA1000₂₀₀ : Trained on the same region of momentum but in a different mass interval, $m_J \in [160, 240]$ GeV.

Principal Component Analysis (PCA) is used in both taggers to perform mass decorrelation.

✓ These taggers perform slightly better on a mass region close to the one where they were trained...

✗ ... but are much less efficient when applied to masses out of the training region.

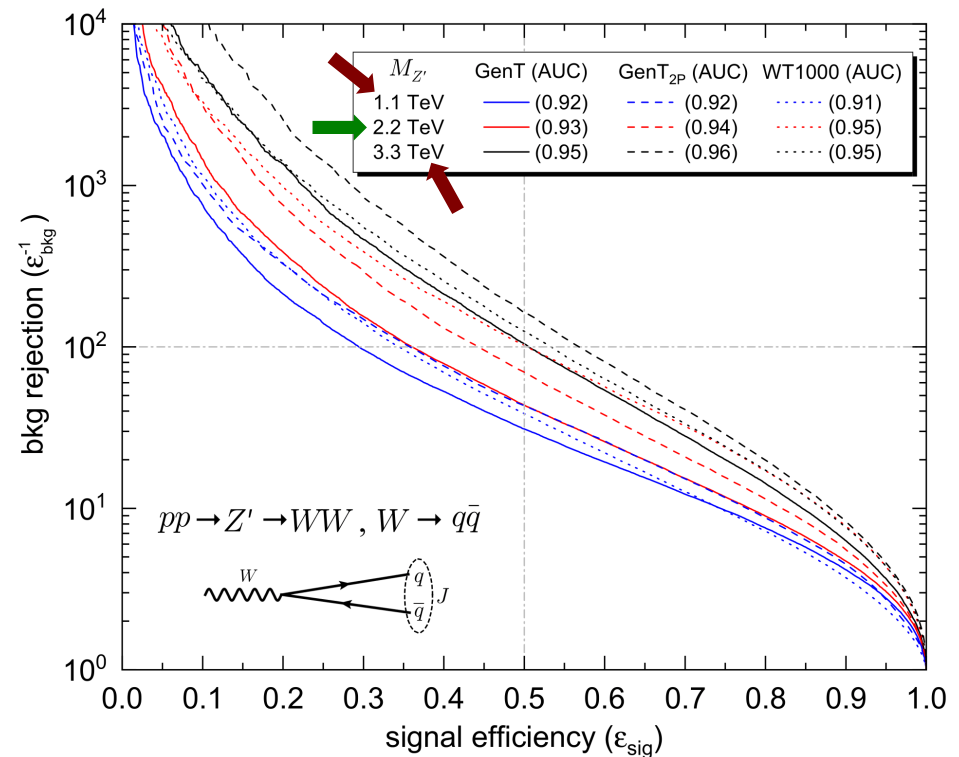


BENEFIT OF MUST TAGGERS

Non-MUST tagger:

WT1000: PCA-decorrelated tagger trained with W jets obtained from $Z' \rightarrow WW$ ($M_{Z'} = 2.2$ TeV) and QCD jets with $p_T \geq 1$ TeV and $m_J \in [60, 100]$ GeV.

- ✓ It performs slightly better than GenT_{2P} for $p_T \geq 1$ TeV and $m_J \in [60, 100]$ GeV.
- ✗ It performs slightly worse than GenT_{2P} for $p_T \geq 500$ GeV and $p_T \geq 1.5$ TeV.

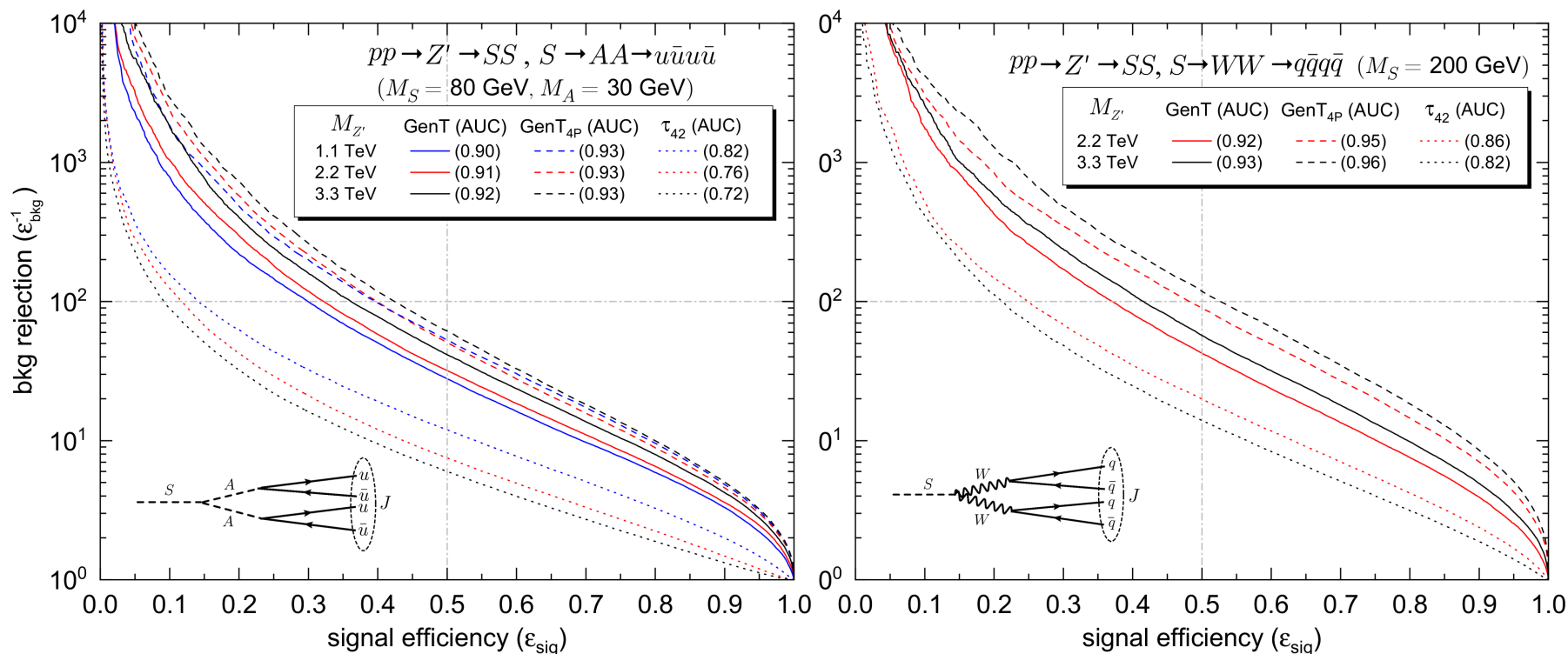


GenT_{2P} is nearly optimal for W jets

TAGGER PERFORMANCE (4P SIGNALS)

Background: Quark and gluon jets generated in $pp \rightarrow Zq$, $pp \rightarrow Zg$, with $Z \rightarrow \nu\nu$

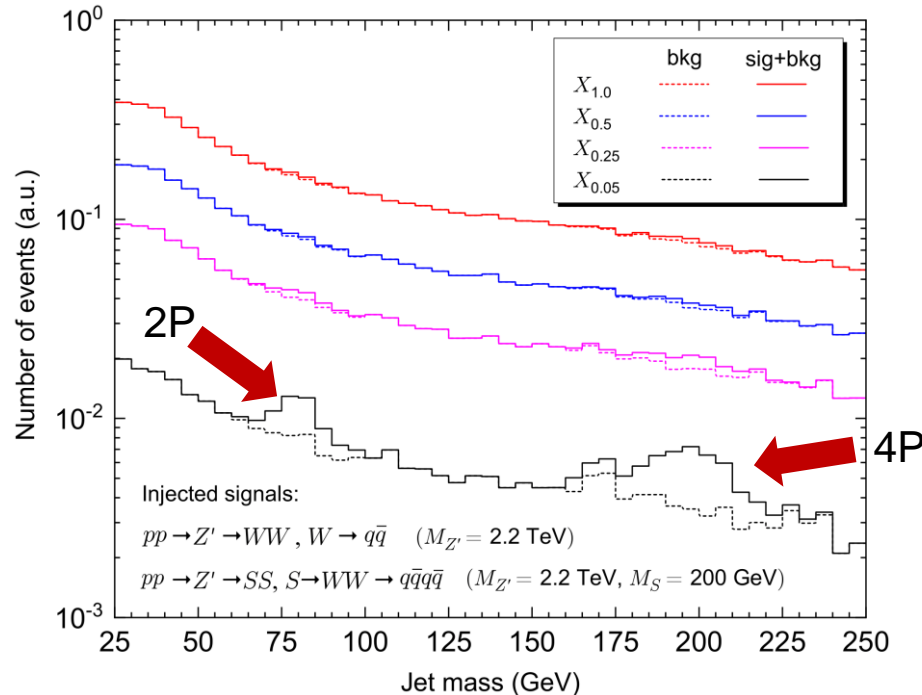
- $p_T \geq 0.5, 1.0, 1.5$ TeV for $M_{Z'} = 1.1, 2.2, 3.3$ TeV, respectively;



- The performance of GenT and GenT_{4P} is **significantly better** than that of τ_{42} .
- The performance **improves** as $M_{Z'}$ increases

MASS DECORRELATION

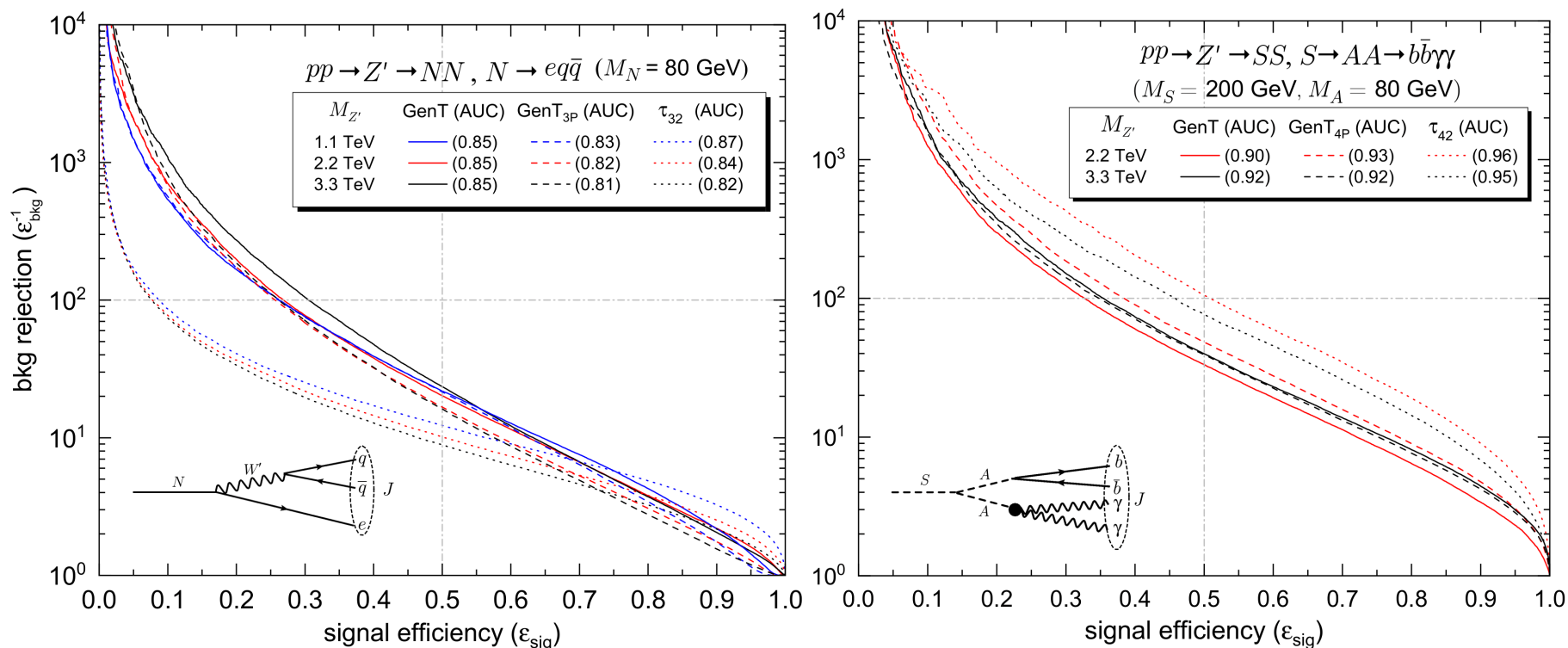
- Defining $\rho = 2 \log(m_J / p_T)$, we compute at each bin of a 2D grid (ρ, p_T) the 5%, 25% and 50% percentiles of the NN score ($X_{0.05}$, $X_{0.25}$ and $X_{0.5}$ respectively);



- This varying threshold preserves the SM background distribution and the injected signals show up when the cut is sufficiently tight.

Our generic taggers also provide a perfect solution to the mass correlation problem.

JETS NOT USED TO TRAIN MUST TAGGERS



- **MUST taggers can detect unseen signals with good efficiency;**
- AUC is not good to evaluate the performance of taggers for neutrino jets;
- Simpler multivariate methods like **logistic regression** may achieve better performance for stealth boson jets with two photons in the final state.

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IDENTIFICATION OF NEW PHYSICS SIGNALS

Using the [prongness selection tagger](#), we apply the following classification criteria in the four benchmark examples below:

$$\begin{cases} 2P, & \text{if } P_{2P} \geq 0.5 \\ 3P, & \text{if } P_{3P} \geq 0.5 \\ 4P, & \text{if } P_{4P} \geq 0.5 \\ \text{Undefined,} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Benchmark 1 (4P)

$$\begin{aligned} & Z' \rightarrow SS, \\ & S \rightarrow AA \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b}, \\ & M_{Z'} = 2.2 \text{ TeV}, \\ & M_S = 80 \text{ GeV}, \\ & M_A = 30 \text{ GeV} \end{aligned}$$

Benchmark 2 (2P)

$$\begin{aligned} & Z' \rightarrow AA, \\ & A \rightarrow b\bar{b}, \\ & M_{Z'} = 2.2 \text{ TeV}, \\ & M_A = 80 \text{ GeV} \end{aligned}$$

Benchmark 3 (4P)

$$\begin{aligned} & Z' \rightarrow SS, \\ & S \rightarrow WW \rightarrow q\bar{q}q\bar{q}, \\ & M_{Z'} = 3.3 \text{ TeV}, \\ & M_S = 200 \text{ GeV} \end{aligned}$$

Benchmark 4 (2P)

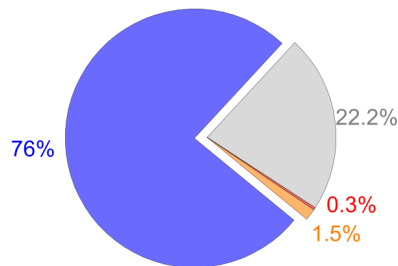
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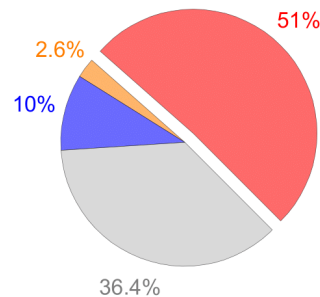
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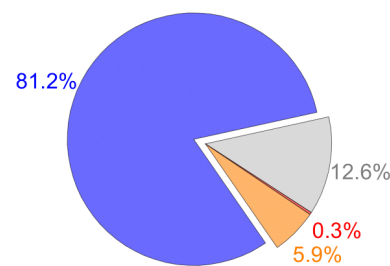
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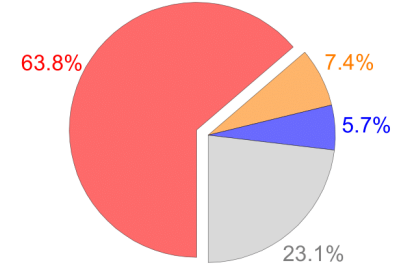
Benchmark 2 (2P)



Benchmark 3 (4P)



Benchmark 4 (2P)



Classification: ■ 2P ■ 3P ■ 4P ■ Undefined

- The fraction of correctly identified jets is several times larger than that of misidentified ones;
- Mistag rates can be further reduced by raising the value of the threshold that separates undefined jets from the classified ones.

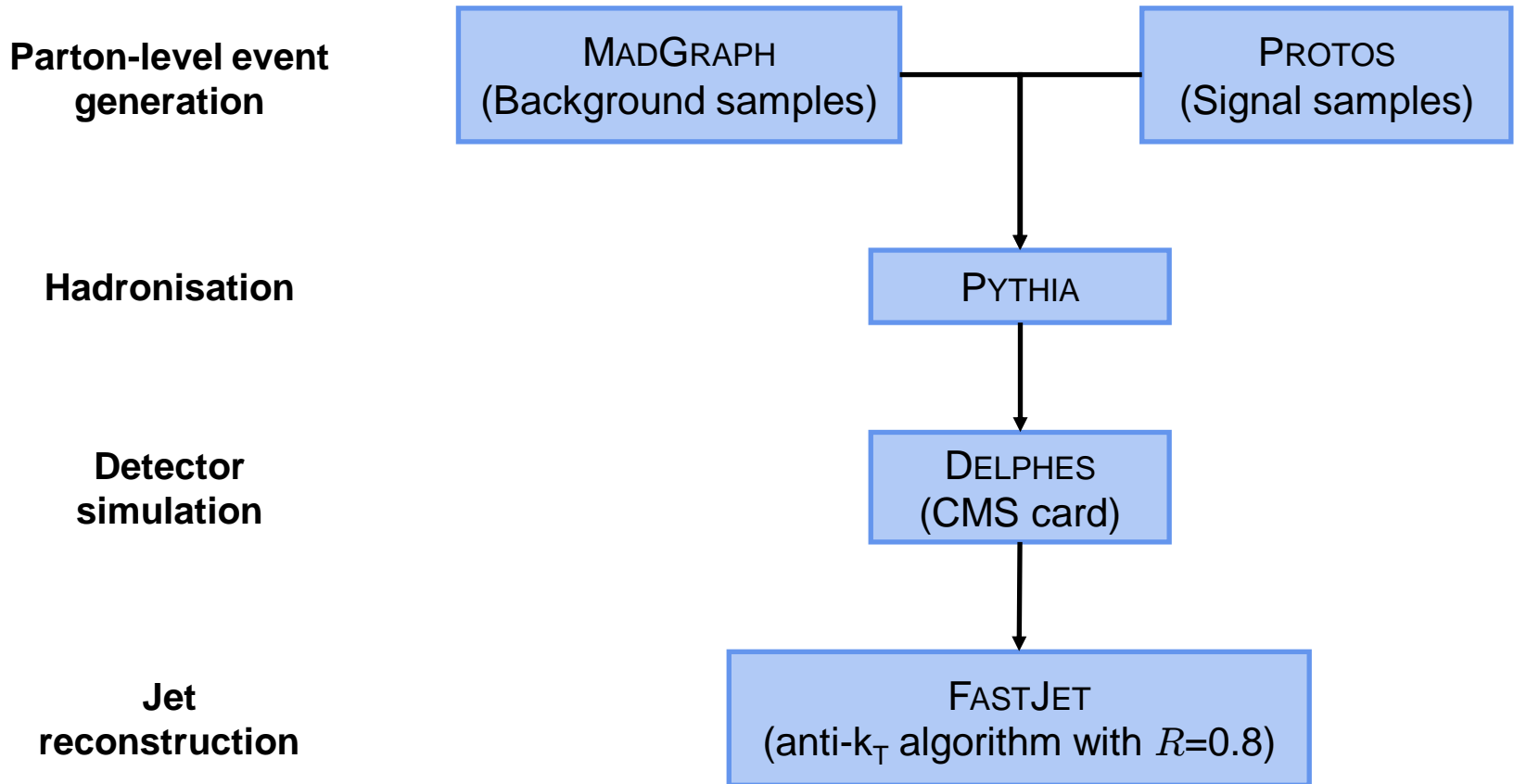
CONCLUDING REMARKS

- We introduced the method of **MUST** for multi-pronged jets;
- Taggers built upon MUST keep an excellent performance across a very wide m_J and p_T range;
- Our taggers are sensitive to any kind of multi-pronged jets, outperforming simple variables;
- Mass decorrelation can easily be implemented using the varying threshold method;
- MUST taggers can achieve good performances on signals for which they were not trained;
- The MUST concept can also be applied to selection taggers that can determine the prongness of signal jets.

Thank you!

Backup slides

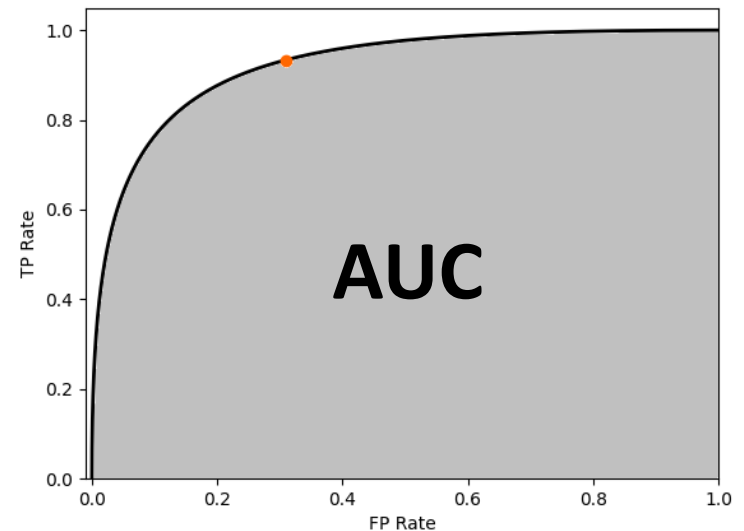
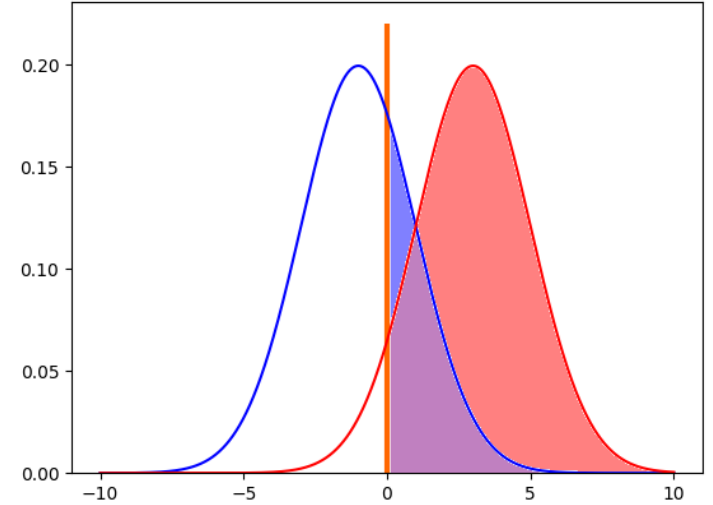
EVENT SIMULATION AND RECONSTRUCTION



ROC CURVES

- In a binary classification task, there is always a **threshold** separating the two classes;
- The fraction of **True Positives (TP)** and **False Positives (FP)** for all possible thresholds defines the classifier's **ROC curve**;
- The **Area Under the ROC curve (AUC)** is often used to evaluate the performance of the classifier (it assumes a value between 0 and 1).

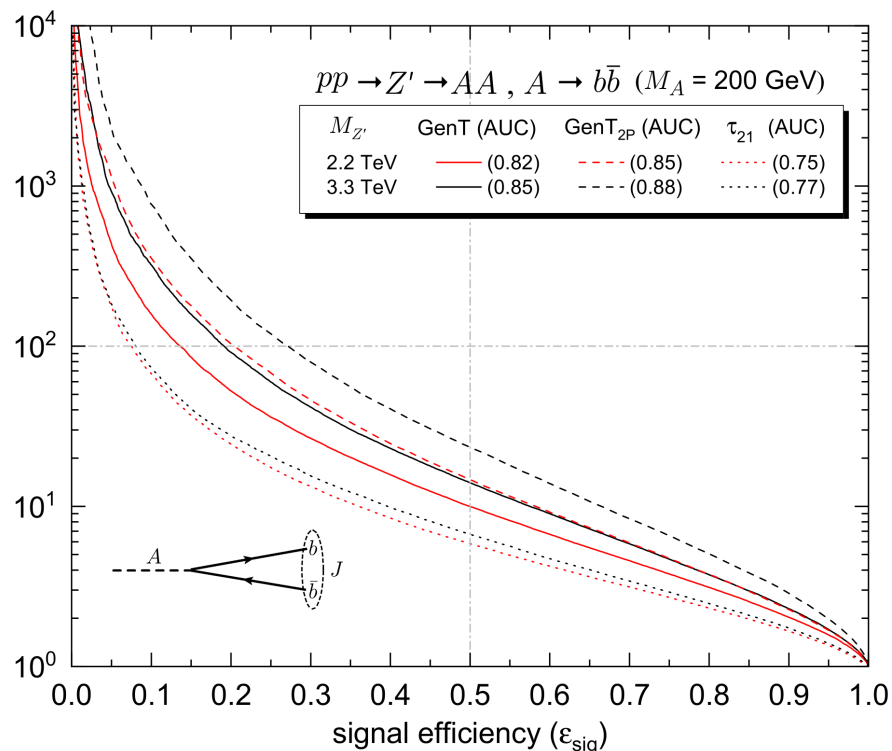
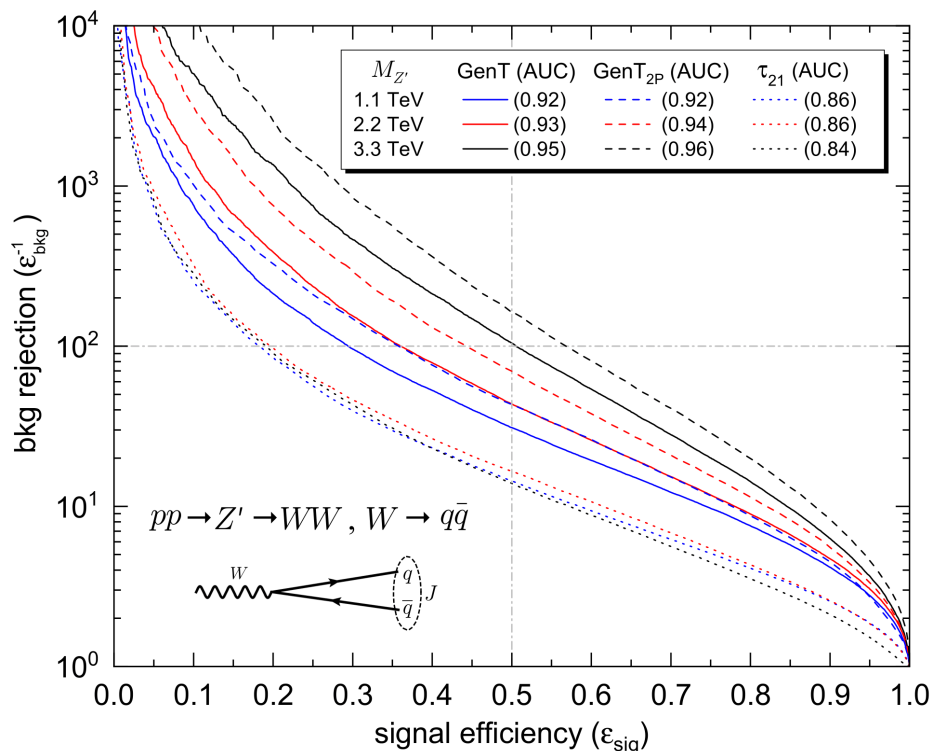
Note: In our results, we represent the ROC curves on the plane $(\epsilon_{\text{sig}}, \epsilon_{\text{bkg}}^{-1})$. Considering Background and Signal events as being Negative and Positive, respectively, $\epsilon_{\text{sig}} = \text{TP Rate}$ and $\epsilon_{\text{bkg}} = \text{FP Rate}$.



TAGGER PERFORMANCE (2P SIGNALS)

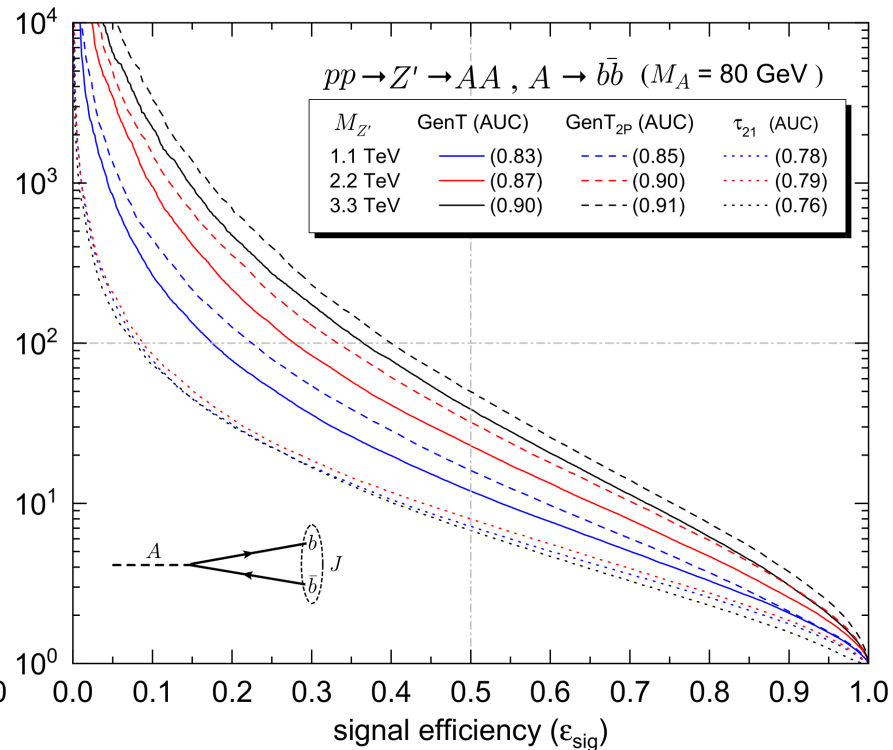
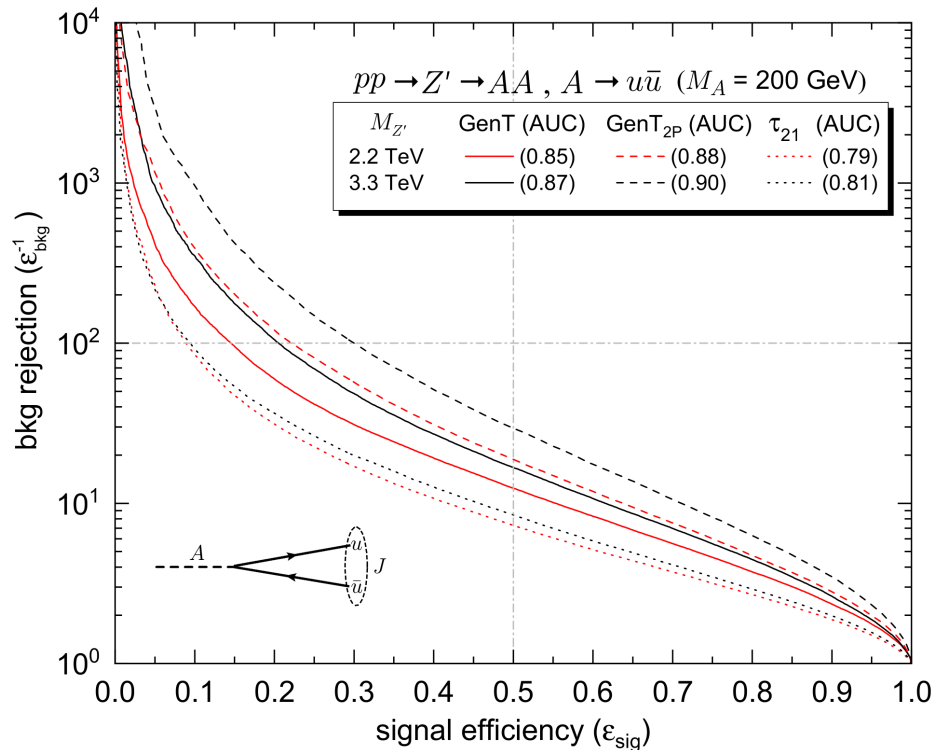
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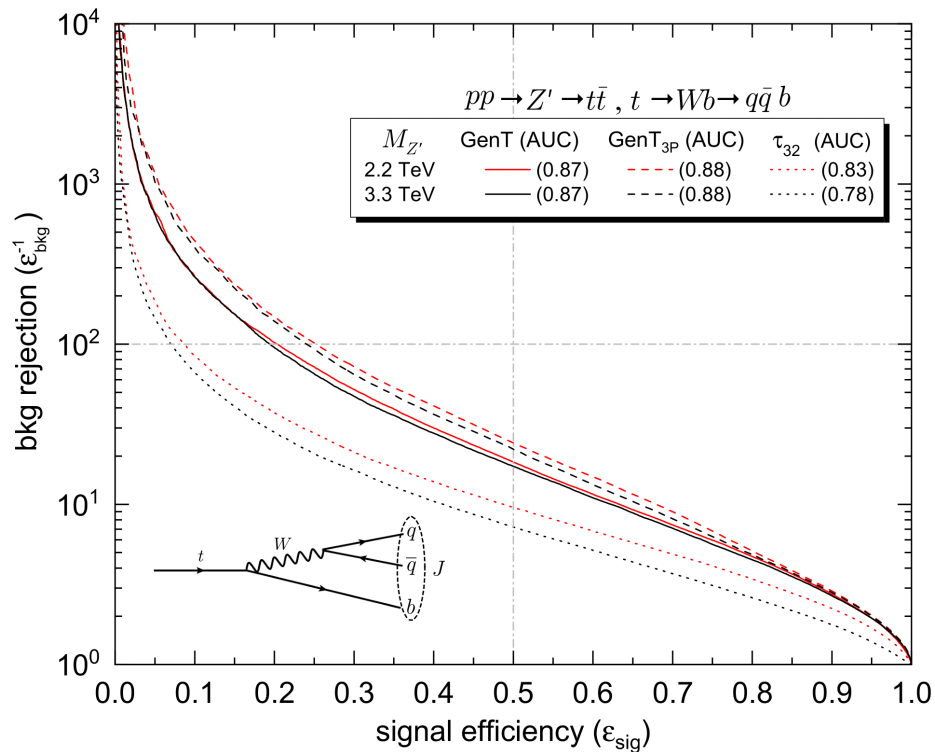


- In general, GenT and GenT_{2P} perform better than the commonly used ratio τ_{21} ;
- The performance improves as $M_{Z'}$ increases.

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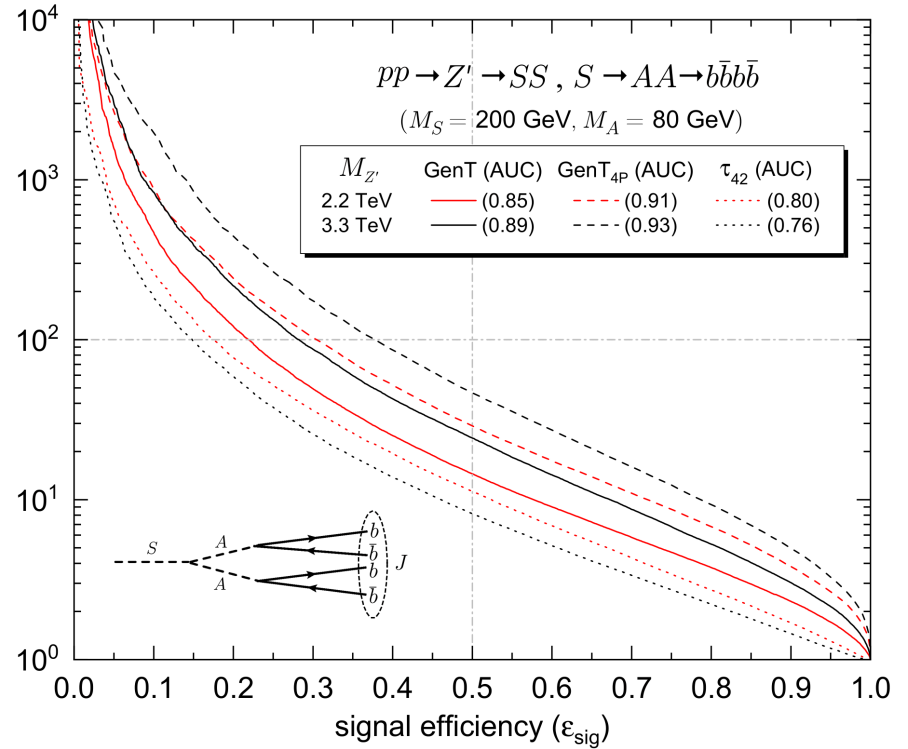
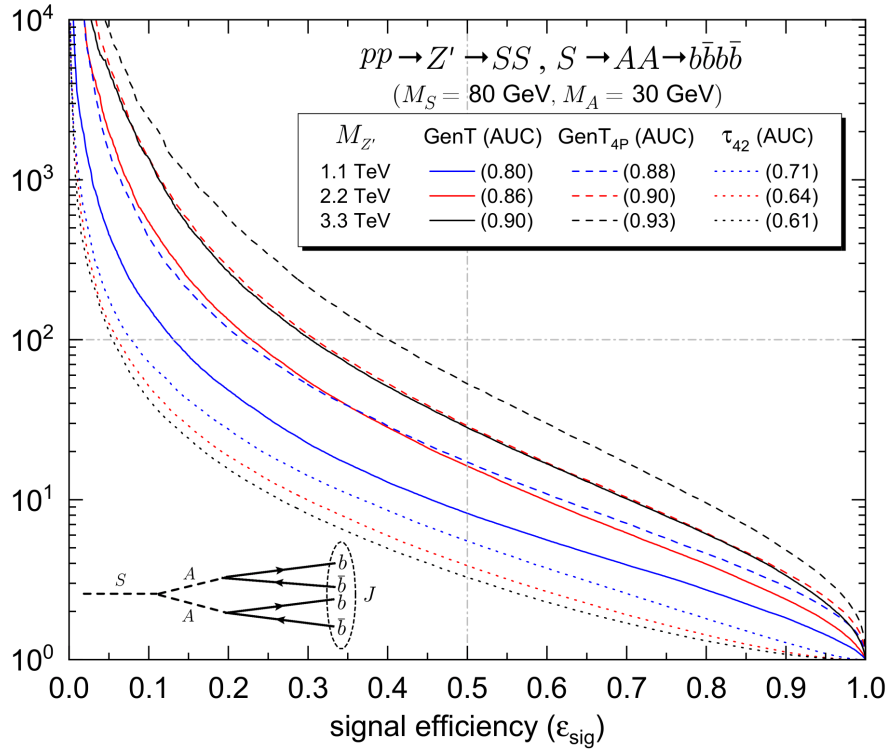
TAGGER PERFORMANCE (3P SIGNAL)



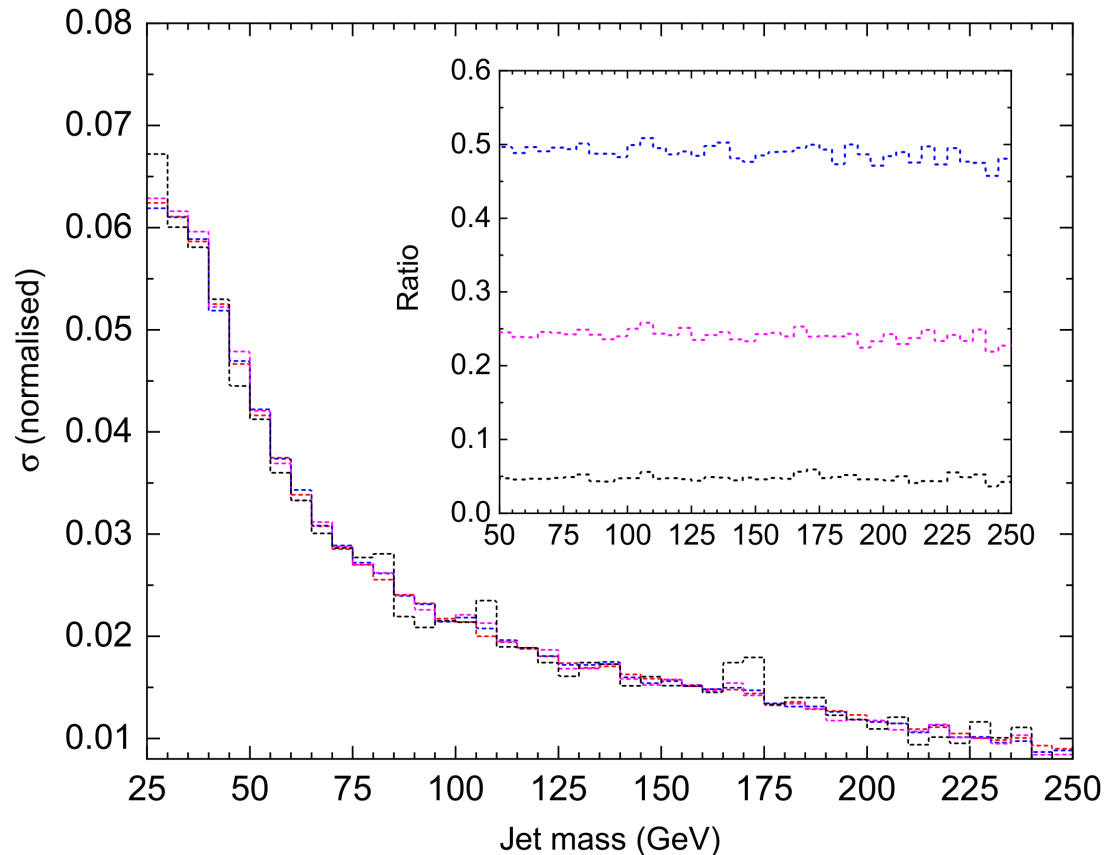
- Although GenT and GenT_{3P} perform well on top quark jets and **would not miss those signals**, fully-dedicated top taggers perform better.

e.g. S. Macaluso, D. Shih; JHEP 10 (2018) 121

TAGGER PERFORMANCE (4P SIGNALS)



ANOTHER PLOT FOR MASS DECORRELATION



- Main plot – Normalised background distributions before and after cuts
- Inner plot – Ratios of distributions after/before cuts

MORE ABOUT STEALTH BOSONS

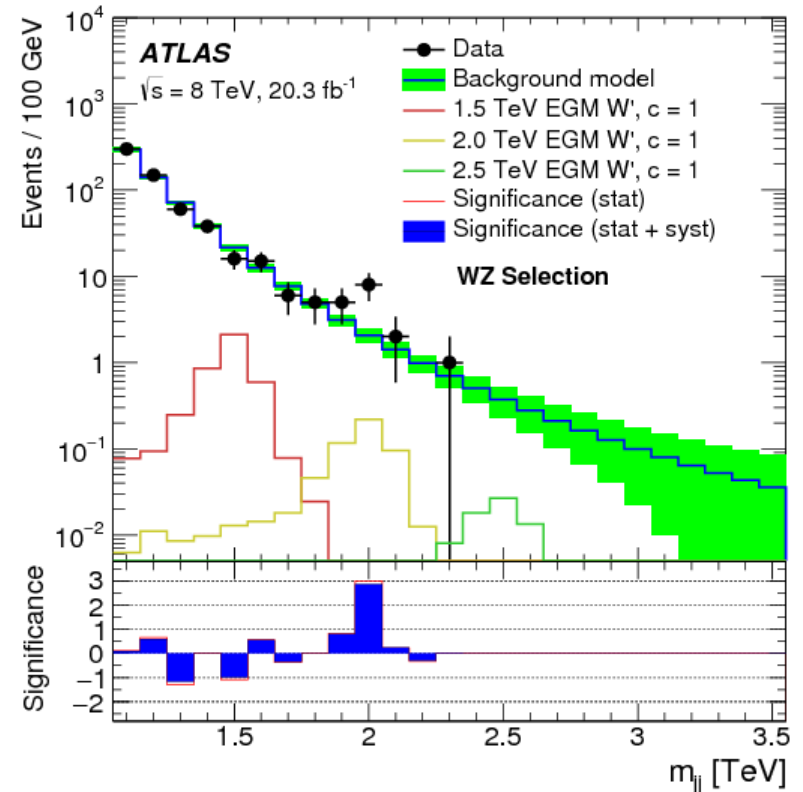
- Stealth bosons are relatively light boosted particles with a cascade decay:

$$S \rightarrow AA \rightarrow q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$$



A particles can be weak bosons W, Z, a Higgs boson or new relatively light (pseudo-)scalars.

- Heavy resonances decaying into two such stealth bosons, or one plus a W/Z boson, may offer an explanation for **small excesses** found in hadronic diboson resonance searches near an invariant mass of 2 TeV (example on the right).

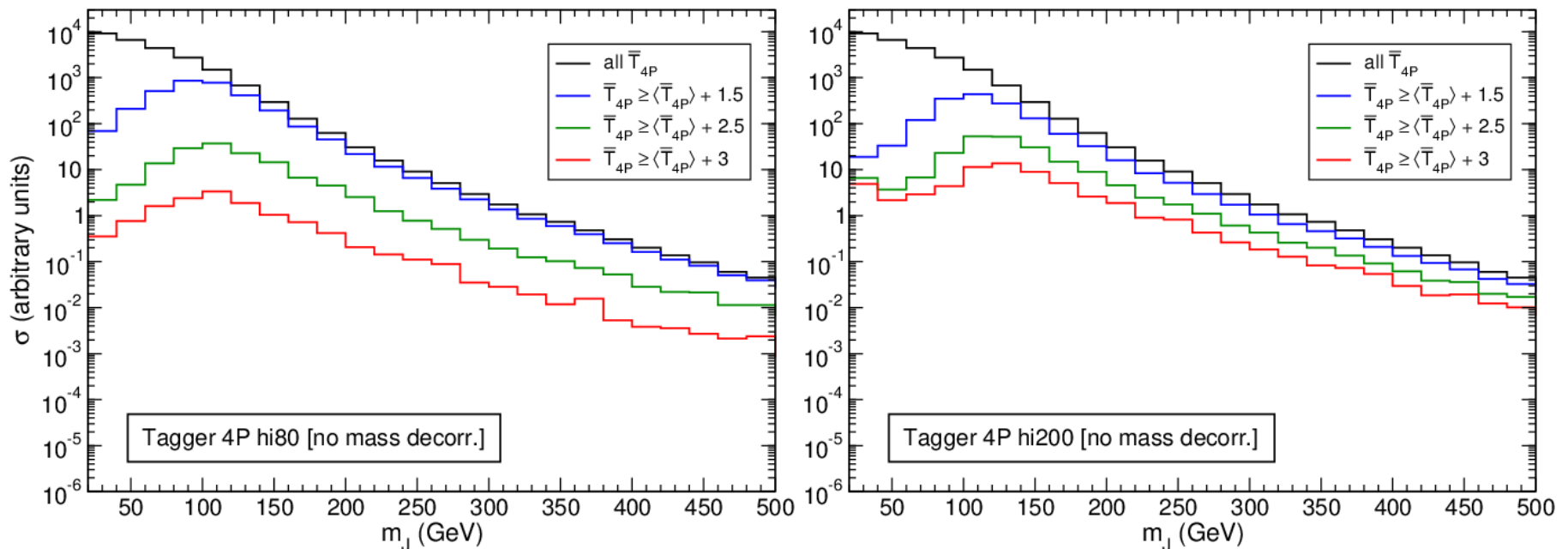


(For more information about this topic, see:
 J. A. Aguilar-Saavedra; Eur. Phys. J. C 77, 10 (2017) 703)

G. Aad *et al.* [ATLAS]; JHEP 12 (2015) 55

TAGGERS WITHOUT MASS DECORRELATION

Jet mass spectrum for QCD background produced by 4P taggers with no prior mass decorrelation



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- The peak-like structure produced near 100 GeV is not in any case related to the design mass interval.

N-SUBJETTINESS OBSERVABLES

- The N-subjettiness observable $\tau_N^{(\beta)}$ is a measure of the radiation about N axes in the jet, specified by an angular exponent $\beta > 0$,

$$\tau_N^{(\beta)} = \frac{1}{p_T} \sum_{i \in \text{jet}} p_{T_i} \min \left\{ R_{1i}^\beta, R_{2i}^\beta, \dots, R_{Ni}^\beta \right\}$$

Transverse momentum
of particle i in the jet

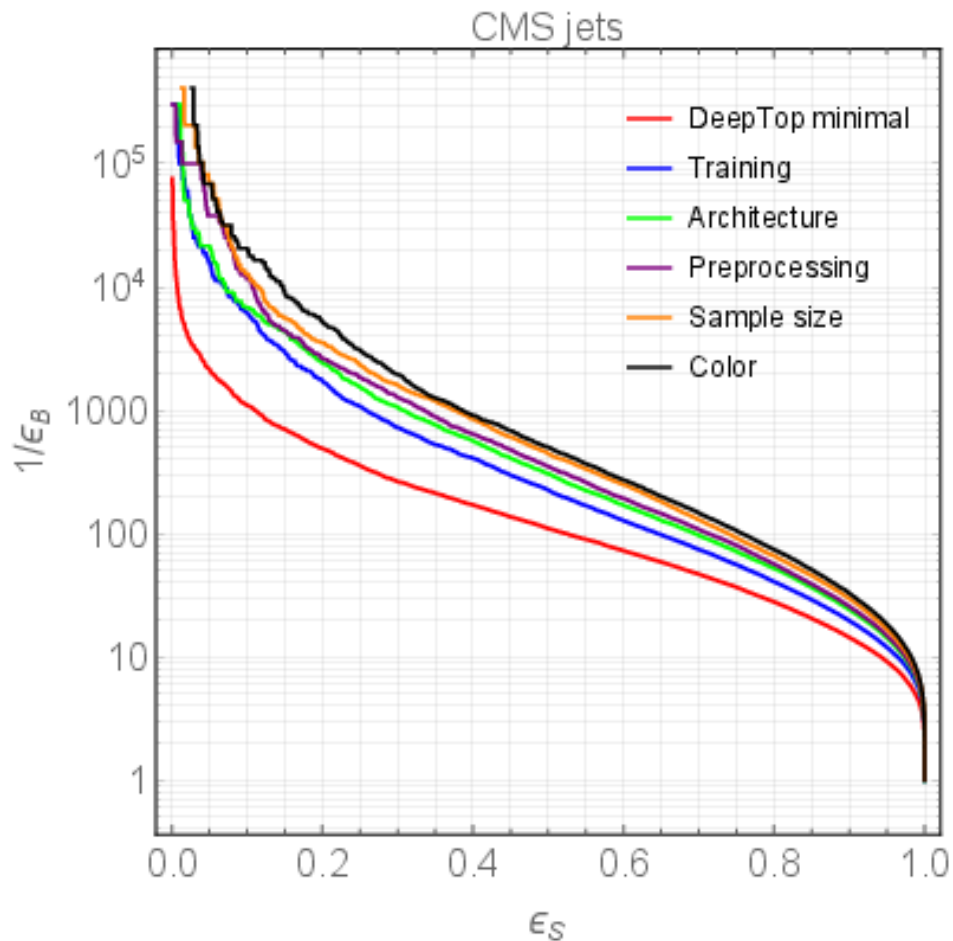
Angular distance between
particle i and axis N in the jet

- The coordinates of the M -Body phase space can be defined by $(M - 1)$ transverse momentum fractions and $(2M - 3)$ angles, so we need **$(3M - 4)$** N-subjettiness observables to completely specify the coordinates of that space:

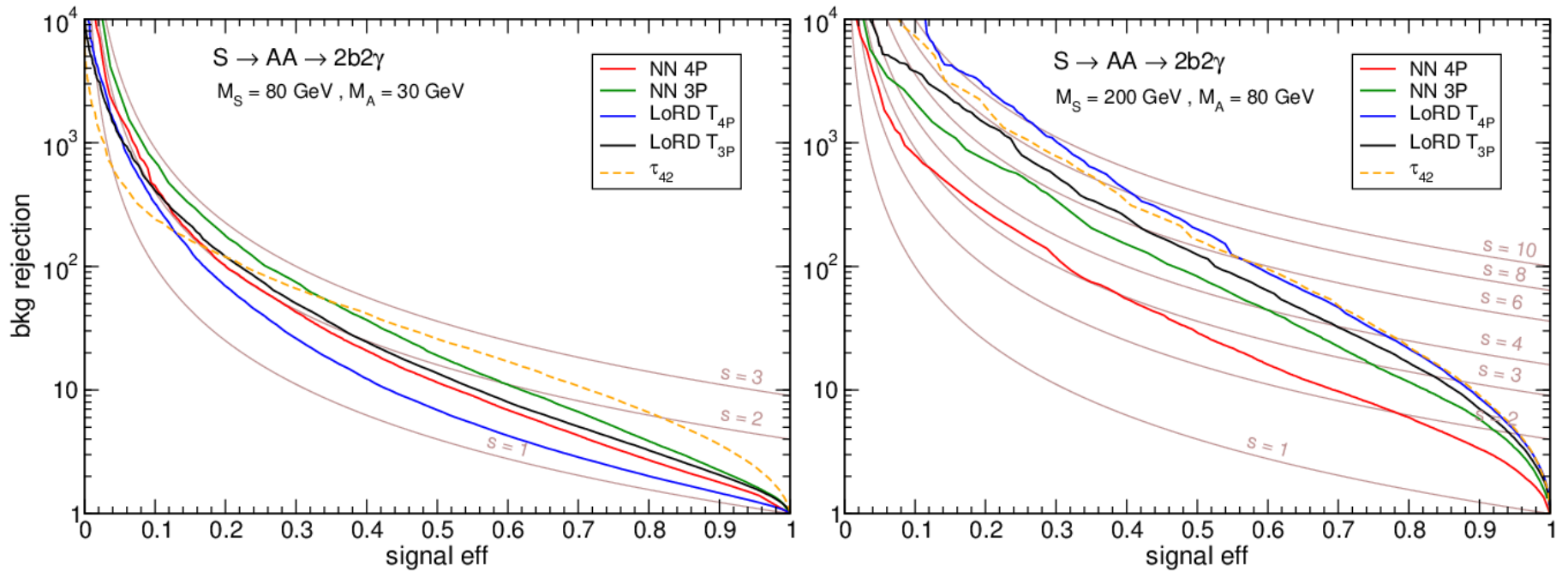
$$\left\{ \tau_1^{(0.5)}, \tau_1^{(1)}, \tau_1^{(2)}, \tau_2^{(0.5)}, \tau_2^{(1)}, \tau_2^{(2)}, \dots, \tau_{M-2}^{(0.5)}, \tau_{M-2}^{(1)}, \tau_{M-2}^{(2)}, \tau_{M-1}^{(1)}, \tau_{M-1}^{(2)} \right\}$$

(For more information about this topic, see [K. Datta, A. Larkoski; JHEP 06 \(2017\) 73](#))

Performance of DeepTop tagger (after several improvements) discriminating top quark jets

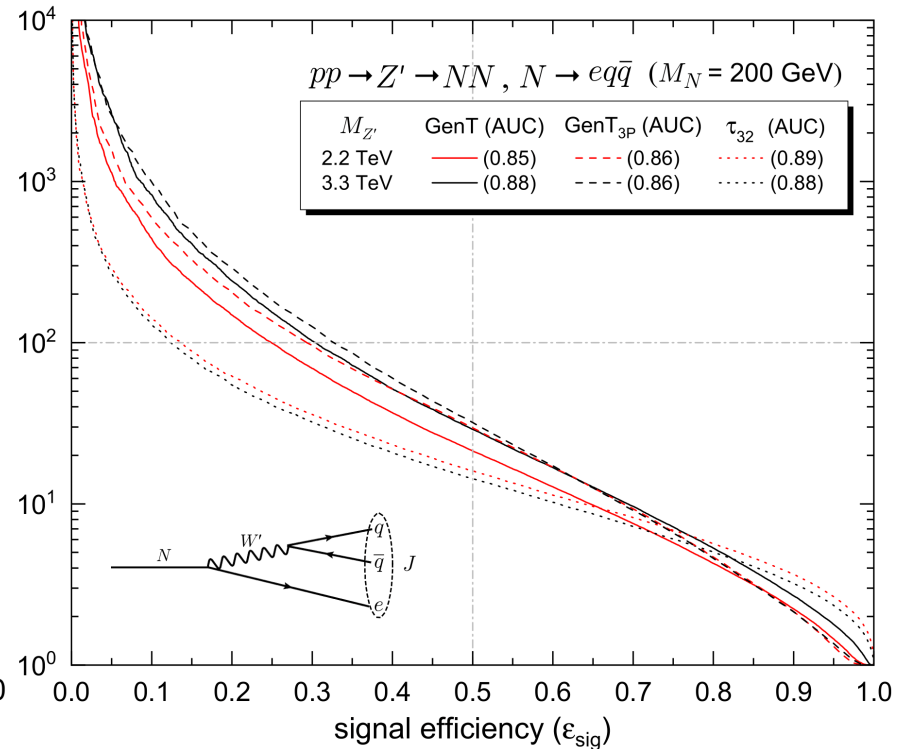
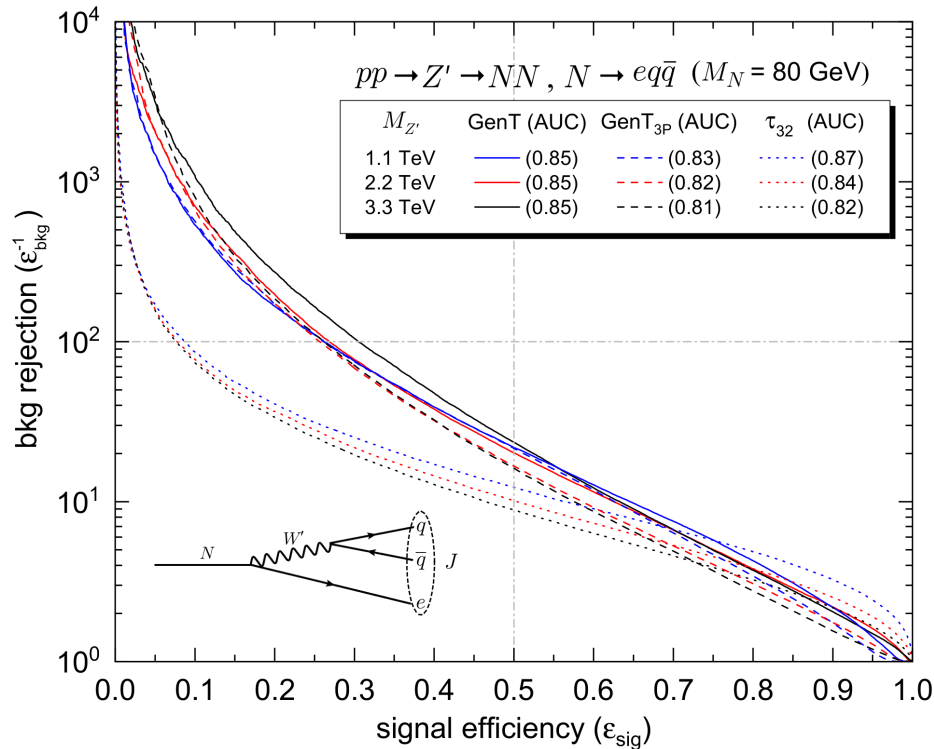


Performance of Logistic Regression Design (LoRD) classifying jets with two hard photons



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