

Status of Fast Simulations

A group of us on CMS were asked by the physics coordinator to make a case for a Fast Simulation

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SuperFastSim

(or SUSY FastSim)

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Background

- Computer simulations are an integral part of what we do
 - physics simulations: provided by theorists
 - detector simulations: provided by the experiments
- The detector is an extremely complex instrument: need to balance speed versus realism
 - fullsim: realistic, but slow; internal to the collaboration
 - fastsim (CMS): faster, approximate, internal to CMS
 - can we make it even faster? can we make it public?
 - generic public toy detector simulations (PGS, Delphes, cmsjet)
- Theorists (and funding agencies?) have always appealed for
 - open access to the data
 - open access to a reliable detector simulation
- CMS week in Brussels (Sept 2011); following KM's talk, a charge from G. Rolandi:
 - to “formulate a concrete proposal”
 - the proposal was written and circulated ~2 weeks ago

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Proposal for a CMS-specific, public, super-fast simulation tool

Outline of this talk

timeline

- 1 • What are the issues we are trying to address?
- 2 • What is a Super-fast Simulation?
- 3 • How can we implement it?
- 4 • The value to CMS as an internal tool
- 5 • The possibility of a publicly available tool

Physics Issues

- The proposal is driven by physics considerations
 - arise in the context of new physics searches
- Very many theory models
 - lots of effort behind searches; signature-based approaches
 - low pay-off if considering only 1 or 2 theory models per analysis
- Very many parameters in each model
 - models like MSUGRA are not generic enough
- Some layer of detector simulation is needed for quantitative results
- Currently, it takes a long time to simulate a dense grid in the parameter space of a specific model with sufficient statistics.
 - simulating a coarse grid and interpolating may miss features
 - Monte Carlo statistics may be insufficient for rare signatures⁵ and problematic for limit setting

More, better, faster, cheaper?

- How can we make our new physics searches more comprehensive?
 - by analyzing more models (and more general models)
 - on better (finer) parameter scan grids
 - faster than before
 - at a lower FTE cost
- Two options: DIY or recruit someone else (e.g. theorists)
- DIY option - will necessarily involve a combination of both
 - employing “simplified models” characterization of the new physics
 - keeps only the relevant (mass) parameters
 - sufficiently general and model-independent
 - employing new, super-fast detector simulation (this proposal)
 - what if there is a discovery tomorrow?
- What is the role of the theorists?

Sociology issue

- The interactions between theorists and experimentalists benefit both sides
 - theorists write papers offering ideas and models
 - this motivates experimental searches
 - experimentalists write papers on the results from those searches
 - this stimulates new ideas and models
 - theorists collect citations
 - theorists write new papers offering new ideas and models
 - experimentalists collect citations
 - this motivates new experimental searches
 - etc.
- Theorists do a valuable service to the community by
 - creating and maintaining theory Monte Carlos
 - theory Monte Carlos are open source
 - theorists do not charge experiments a user fee

Sociology issue

- Traditionally, detector simulation is done by experimentalists
- Times are changing: theorists are now becoming more and more knowledgeable about detector simulation
 - a series of workshops and schools: “SUSY Recast”, UC Davis 2011; TASI-2011, UC Boulder; MC Tools for LHC, 2007-2012; MC4BSM workshops, 2006-2012; TOOLS workshops, 2006-2010; LHC Olympics, 2005-2007
- Expert theorists/phenomenologists could be asked to perform the model interpretation of our published results
 - they will be doing it anyway, using whatever toy detector simulation they can find: atlfast, cmsjet, PGS, Delphes
 - none of those are properly validated, not maintained by any collaboration
 - we could provide theorists with the proper CMS-specific tool
- This option saves manpower and creates goodwill

What is SuperFastSim?

- An emulation of the CMS detector which is
 - **good-enough** for most practical purposes
 - “good enough” = \sim reproduces Fast/FullSim for a range of signals
 - “most practical purposes” = allows
 - a theorist to check if a model is ruled out by a particular CMS analysis (SIGNAL ONLY)
 - an experimentalist to roughly cross-check another CMS/ATLAS analysis
 - **simple**: we are not talking about reproducing all features found in fullsim or even fastsim
 - “simple” = can be understood by a theorist or an undergraduate

What is SuperFastSim?

- An emulation of the CMS detector which is
 - fast: will allow a quick turnover time (few hours)
 - “fast” = much faster than fastsim, can be run on a laptop
 - Relevant benchmark: Pythia event generation time
 - For example, timing test for the LM1 study point
 - Delphes (out of the box): 17 events/sec
 - Fastsim: 1 event/sec

What is needed for a SuperFastSim?

- Collect all relevant experimental input
 - Turn the experimental input into functions folding the detector response for every object.
 - Example:
 - Jet reconstruction efficiency and resolutions as a function of generator level P_T and eta of the [genjet](#)
 - Many more examples in the Physics TDR
- Are they all publicly available?
 - Need for a single and reliable reference source
 - a paper, a note or a twiki
- **Action item: collect and publish (on an official twiki) the most current results on resolutions and efficiencies for all relevant physics objects.**
- Once those are publicly available, ANYONE can use them to build a CMS-specific tool.

How to implement a SuperFastSim

- Option I: retune a public parameterized simulation, e.g. Delphes
 - a configuration module specifies the geometry and resolutions
 - smearing of tracks and energy deposits
 - standard isolation requirements and standard jet algorithms
- Option II: look-up tables mapping
 - generator-level objects with MC truth coordinates (P_T, η, ϕ)
 - reconstructed (PAT?) objects with measured (P_T, η, ϕ)
- Requirements in either case:
 - good: reasonably accurate parameterization of CMS detector, validated against fullsim results **for signal** from various analyses
 - fast: much faster than fastsim
 - the tool outputs standard CMS objects (nothing too exotic)
 - well documented
 - what is the degree of applicability and accuracy (signals only)

What about the existing tools?

- We don't want to reinvent the wheel. There is experience with other existing parameterized detector simulators.
- So far, no dedicated global effort to benchmark how well they work.
- It is worth comparing PGS and/or Delphes output to CMS specific emulations.
 - There are preliminary studies, e.g. M. Pierini et al, S. Sekmen et al, K. Matchev et al, others...
- Feedback on where parameterized detector simulators don't work is also useful to the experiment.

How can it be used internally to CMS?

- Does my analysis have sensitivity to model X?
- Why is the ATLAS limit worse at this $(M_0, M_{1/2})$ point?
- How much does my analysis benefit from raising the energy to 8 TeV?
- How much does my analysis benefit from changing my cuts like my competitors do?
- Quick preliminary scans to find out
 - which (simplified) models an analysis is sensitive to
 - what (range of) model parameters an analysis is sensitive to, e.g.
 - what sort of grid to use for MSUGRA scans
- Outreach activities, working with undergraduates, etc.

Long term prospects

- This is a very straightforward proposal
 - For all practical purposes it is already done in an incoherent way by various people
 - The proposal is to streamline and integrate this activity
- Good news: we are volunteering the manpower to get this going.
- If this turns out to be beneficial, manpower will not be an issue since people will want to use it.
- We welcome parties interested in contributing to the development and testing of the tool to join in.

Action items

- Collect available fast and simple parameterizations in a single twiki, implement in a standalone tool.
 - timescale: ~Thanksgiving 2011 (if we started today)
- Compare to the performance of PGS and DELPHES
 - timescale: ~Christmas 2011
- Prepare a beta version of the SuperFast tool for testing and gauging potential interest within CMS
 - timescale: ~Winter 2012 (?)
- Once a stable release is available, consider the option of making it public to the theorists
 - timescale: ~Summer 2012 (?)

BACKUPS

Frequently asked questions

- What is the single most important benefit to CMS?
 - Decrease of turnaround time for implementation of new ideas
 - feasibility studies
 - cover a lot more simplified models, even faster
- If this idea is so great then how come ATLAS has not done it already?
 - Not all great ideas come from ATLAS.
 - We cannot be sure that they are not doing it already
- How many FTEs will this idea cost in support and maintenance? Are you sure?
 - The proposal estimates an initial cost of 0.5 FTE over a few months, then a yearly maintenance cost of 0.1 FTE.
 - this is just an estimate
 - no, we are not sure

Frequently asked questions

- Doesn't the simplified model approach already solve the problem of the multitude of theory models?
 - The simplified model approach is already a huge step in the right direction
 - one SM study covers many theory models sharing the same event topology
 - still there are many more event topologies giving the same experimental signature: each topology needs to be separately studied, hence the theory space of simplified models is still large
- Why not just let theorists who want to test their models inside CMS?
 - This is not what CMS wants.
 - This is not what theorists want.
 - theorists prefer to be independent
 - theorists do not want to learn how to run fullsim: too hard and time-consuming

Frequently asked questions

- What is PGS?
 - PGS stands for **P**retty **G**ood **S**imulation: a toy simulation (in fortran) of a generic high-energy physics collider detector with:
 - tracking system
 - electromagnetic and hadronic calorimetry
 - muon system
 - Formerly called **SHW**: originally created by John Conway (UC Davis) for the **S**USY-**H**iggs **W**orkshop at Fermilab 1998.
 - Widely used by theorists for the LHC Olympics exercises.
 - Configurable detector parameters and resolutions
 - PGS is designed to be fast, so it is missing:
 - magnetic field
 - secondary interactions, multiple interactions, z-vertex spread
 - bremsstrahlung, photon conversion, detector material
 - decays in flight

Frequently asked questions

- What is Delphes?
 - A toy detector simulator analogous to PGS but written in C++.
- Isn't fastsim good enough? Let's make the fastsim public instead.
 - The goal is to have something much faster than fastsim.
 - Fastsim is already public*. No theorist is using it.
- Why not publish the fullsim code?
 - This is not what theorists want (or can handle).
- Different analyses are using different object definitions. Which one will be implemented in the tool?
 - Most of them. The user should be able to toggle between different object definitions depending on the particular CMS analysis being referred to.

FAQ: the public option

- If the tool is made public:
 - How will that impact the visibility of our papers? Will theorists be more likely or less likely to read our papers instead of ATLAS's?
 - Much more likely (obviously).
 - Who owns it?
 - No one. It is open source.
 - A CMS team (including but not limited to the people behind the proposal) releases periodic updates with retuned efficiencies reflecting significant changes in running conditions.
 - Won't theorists misuse it? Who is doing QM of the results produced with this tool?
 - Mistakes will be caught by responsible theory referees.
 - What if some theorist finds that the tool does not reproduce our published efficiencies?
 - The tool is tuned to the published efficiencies, therefore
 - the theorist made a mistake
 - the theorist used an obsolete version of the tool
 - the theorist used the tool in the wrong region of phase space

FAQ: the internal option

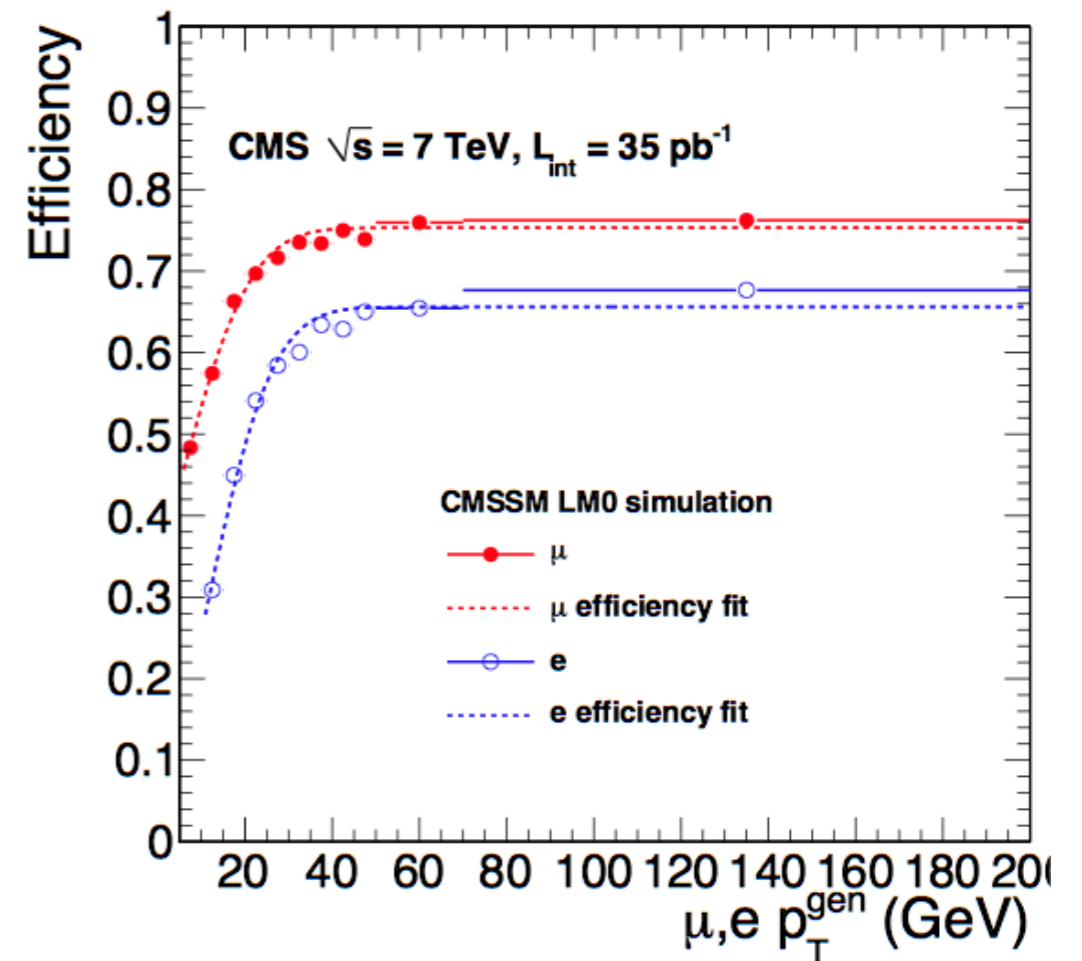
- If the tool is kept internal:
 - How will that impact the visibility of our papers? Will theorists be more likely or less likely to read our papers instead of those by ATLAS?
 - More likely - our papers will have a lot more theory models interpreted. A theorist would be able to find something close to his/her favorite model.
 - Won't experimentalists misuse it? Who is doing QM of the results produced with this tool?
 - Mistakes will be caught by responsible referees.

MORE BACKUPS

Third method: emulation+theorists

- The experiments provide fits to the average reconstruction efficiencies
 - e, mu and tau
 - now also for H_T and MET
- The curves are derived for a given benchmark point (LM0 or LM6)
- Correction for busy events
 - more likely to fail isolation

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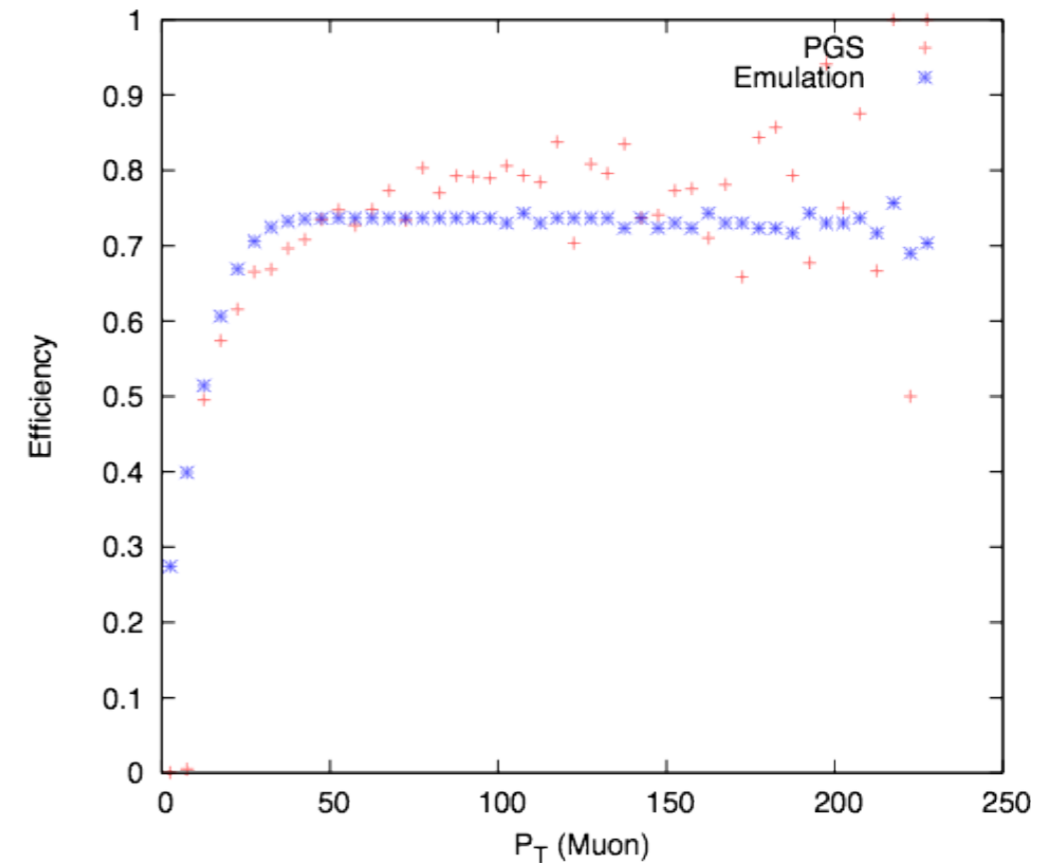
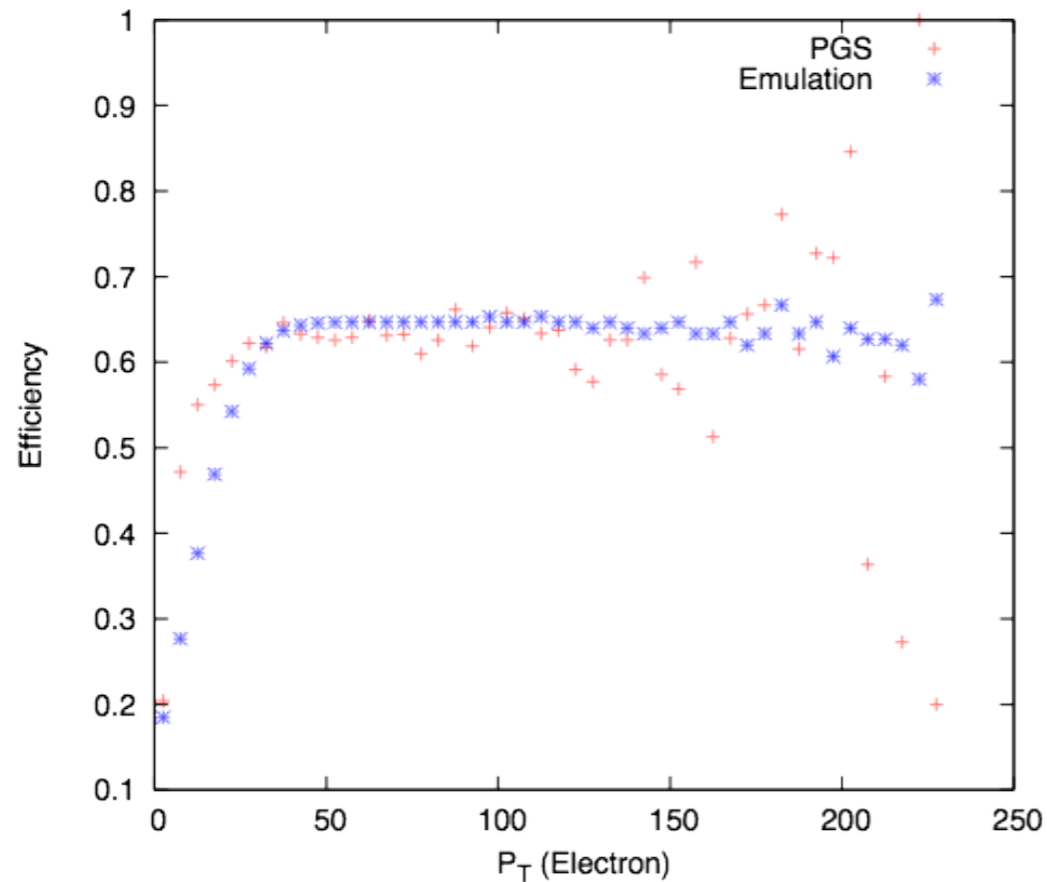


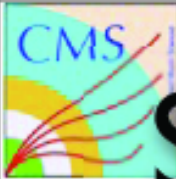
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How “good” is PGS?

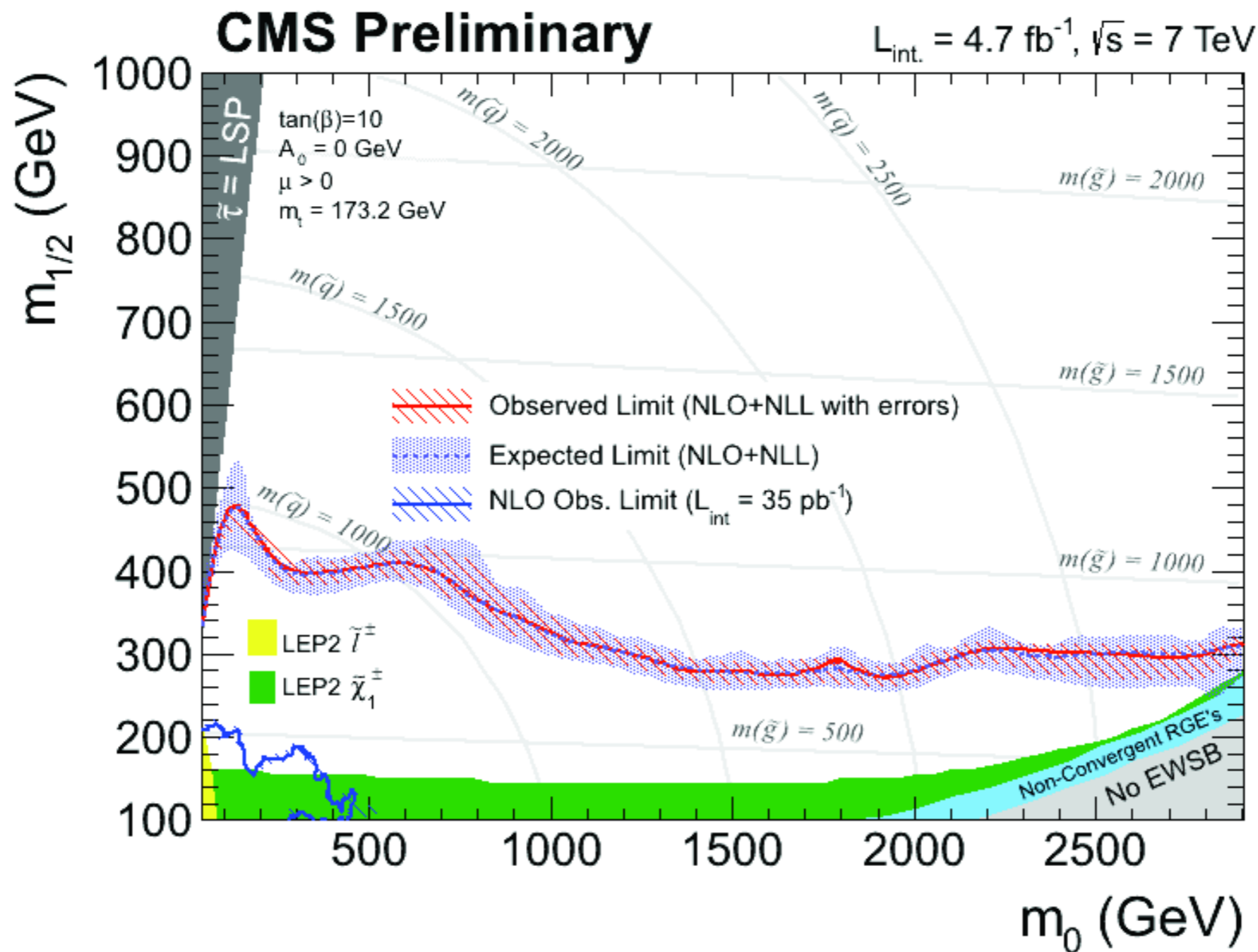
- Comparison of PGS output to CMS emulation
 - lepton efficiencies at LM0 study point

KM, Park, Sarangi 2011

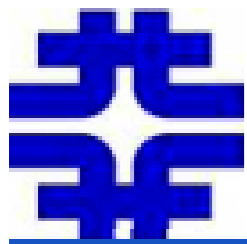




SS dileptons: interpretation in cMSSM



- Extend to about 1 TeV in gluino/squark masses



Efficiency Model



- **Problem:** how to apply these results to an arbitrary model?
- **Goal:** allow others to determine if arbitrary model X is excluded by comparing expected yield to signal yield upper limit

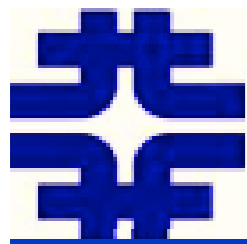
$$N(\text{model } X) = \mathcal{L} \times \sigma \times A \times \varepsilon$$

\mathcal{L} (luminosity) \rightarrow provided by experimentalists

σ (cross section) and A (acceptance) \rightarrow calculated by theorists for model X

ε (efficiency) \rightarrow depends on detector AND model X kinematics

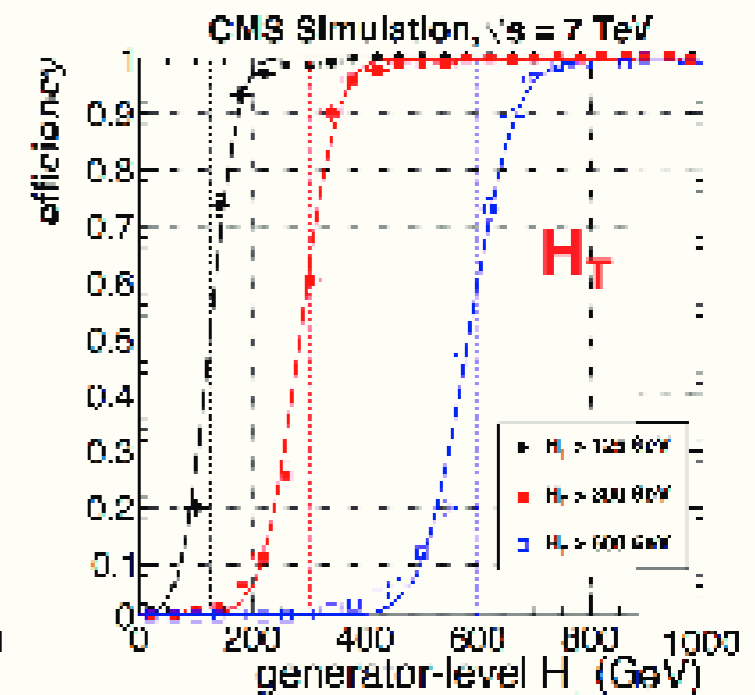
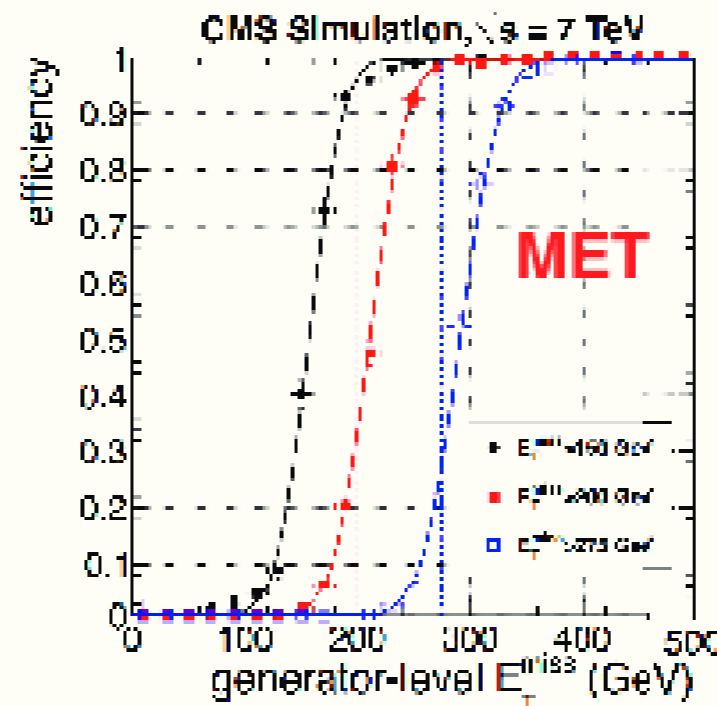
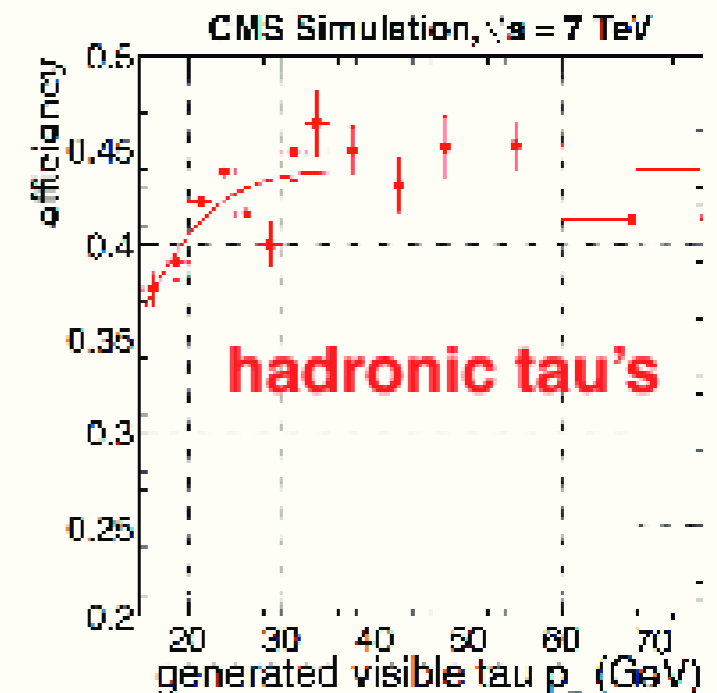
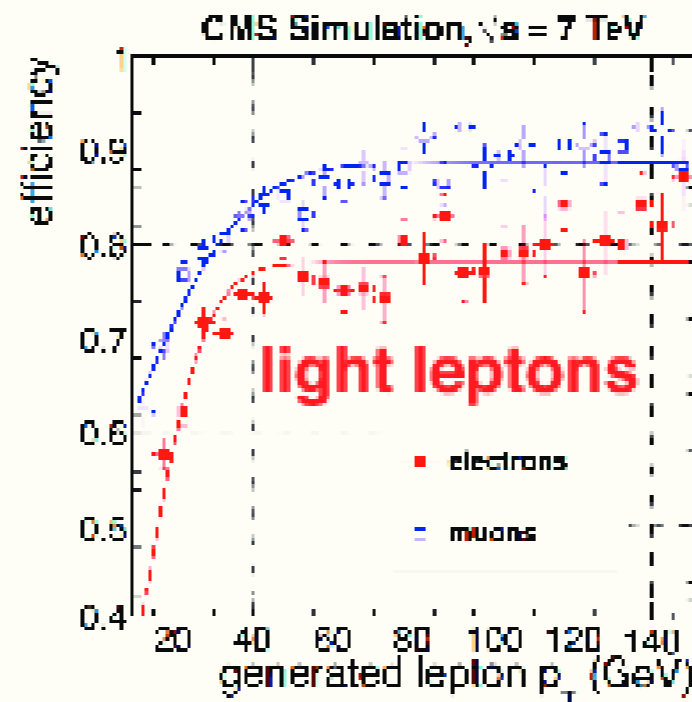
- Recipe: provide selection efficiencies for basic physics objects (leptons, H_T , MET) \rightarrow allow estimation of model X efficiency using simple generator-level studies



Efficiency Model



- **Efficiency model:**
 - Shown: OS analysis, provided for other analyses as well
 - Efficiencies of physics objects vs. gen-level quantities
- **Procedure:**
 - Implement model X in MC
 - Apply analysis selections to gen-level quantities
 - Use efficiency model to scale gen-level yields to “reco-level”
- **This is an approximation**
 - Tested *with several CMSSM points*, agreement within $\sim 15\%$



Look Up Table

Reco Object → Particle-level Object (best match)

Pairs of Reco Objects → Single or Pairs of Particle-level Objects

Particle-level Object(s) → Reco Object(s)

Proof-of-Principle:

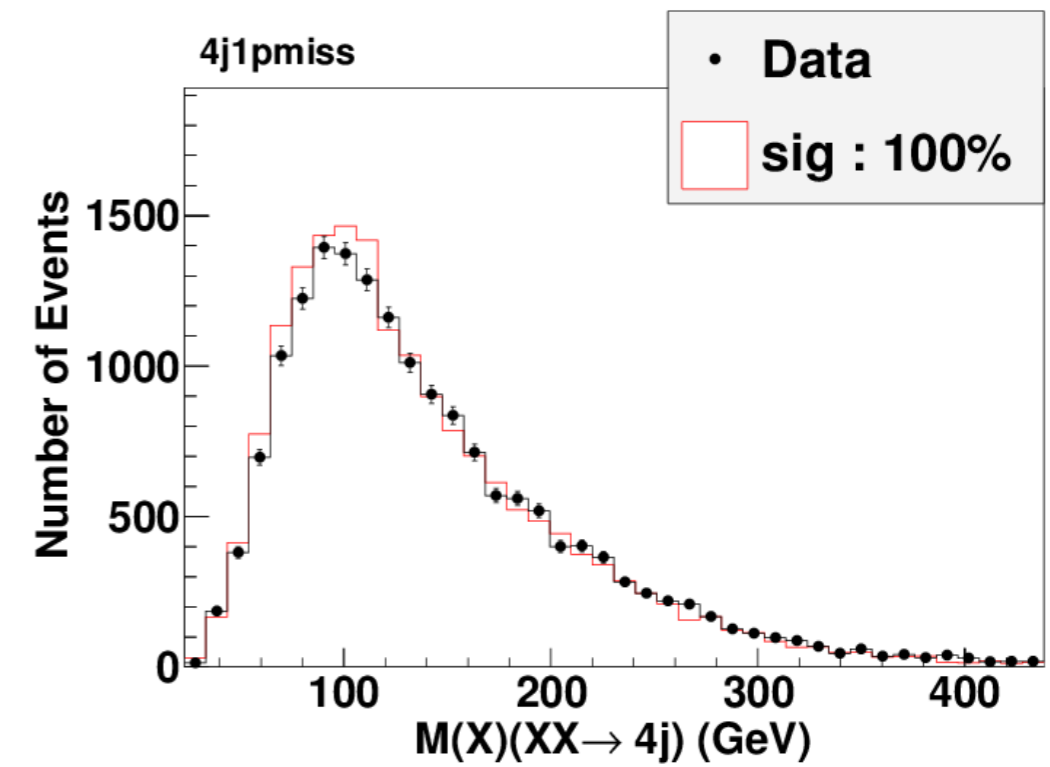
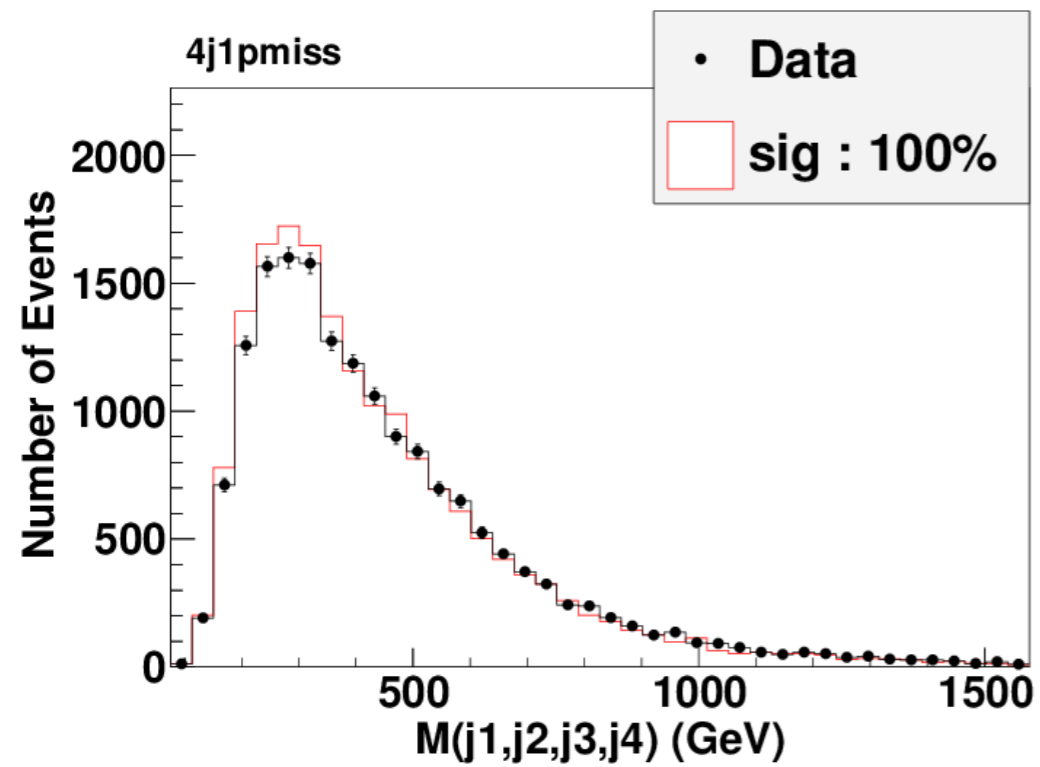
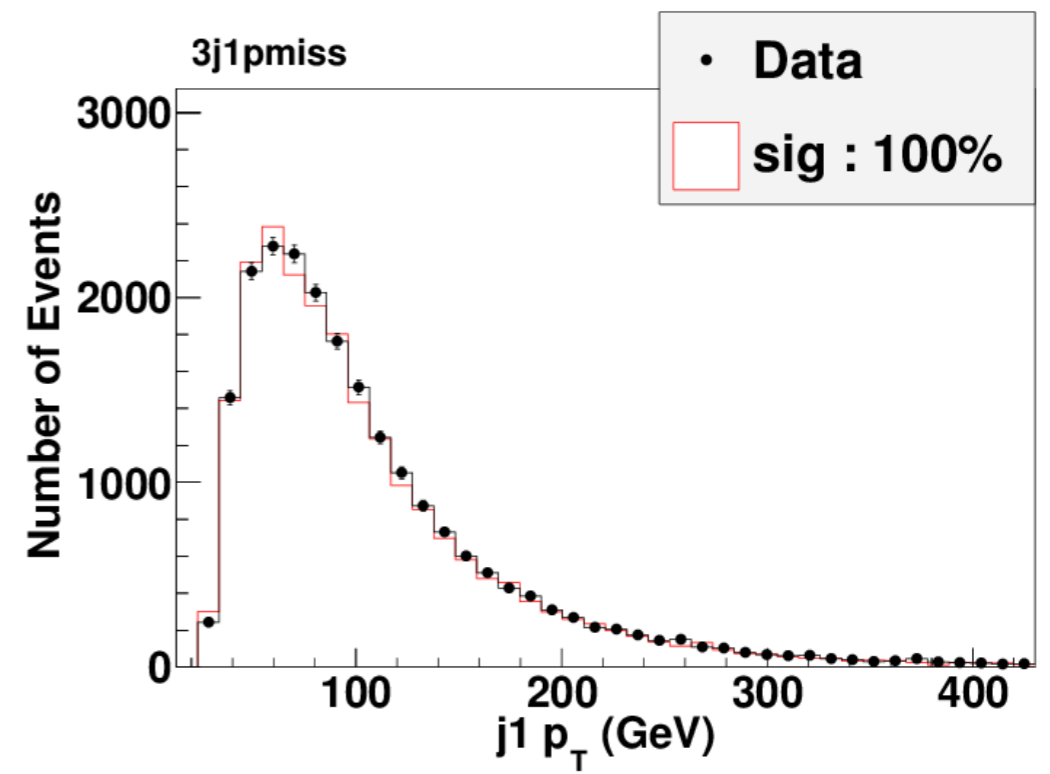
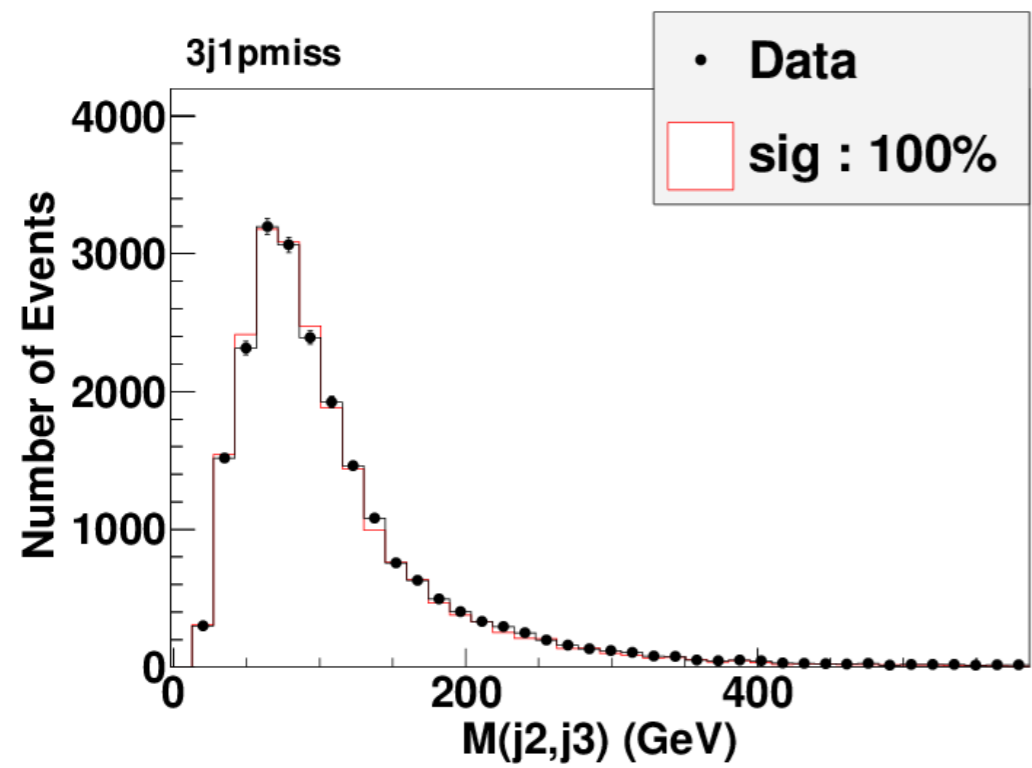
200K T2 (squark-antisquark SMS) FastSim events to create TurboSim morphisms file

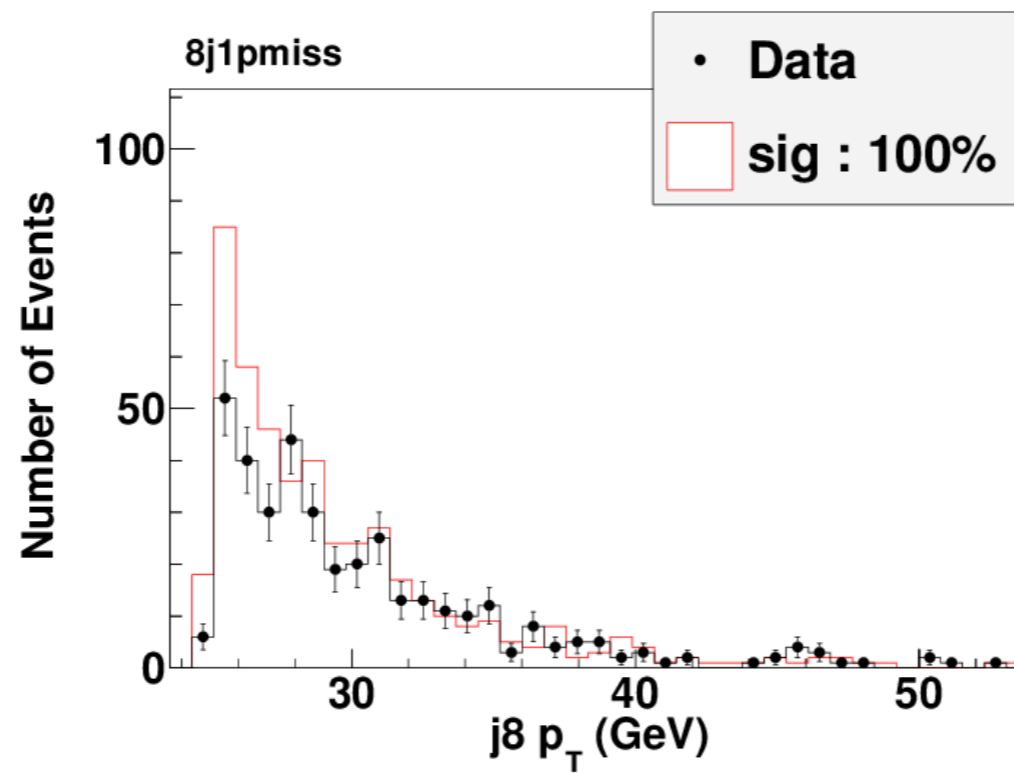
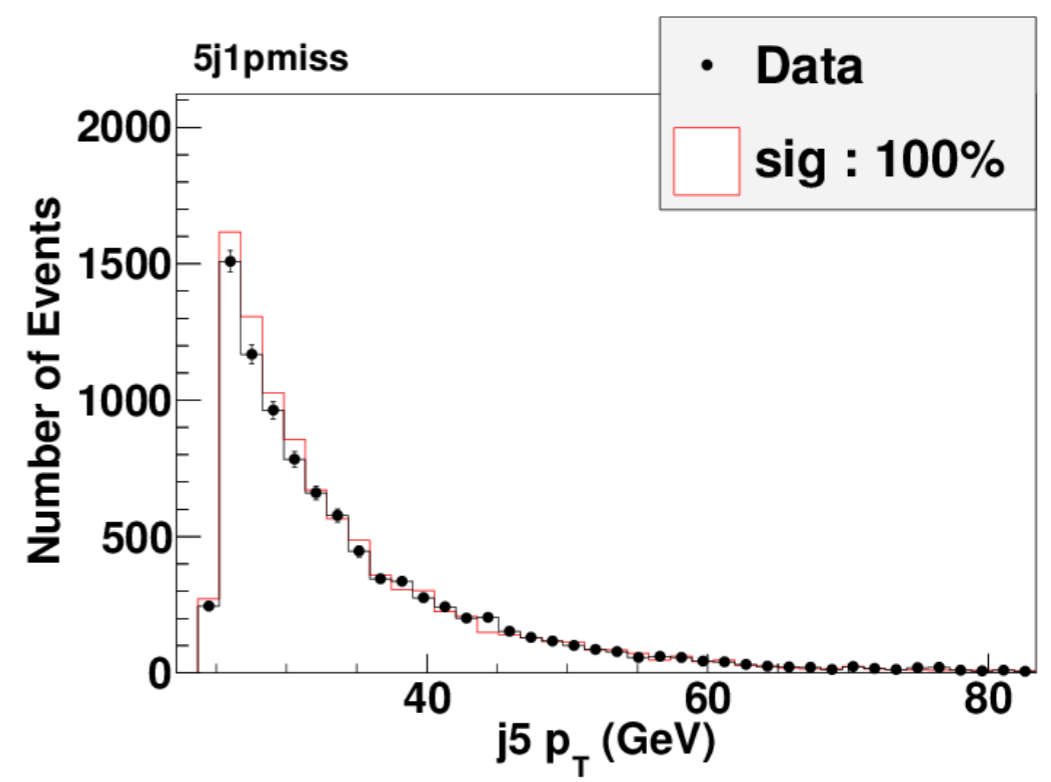
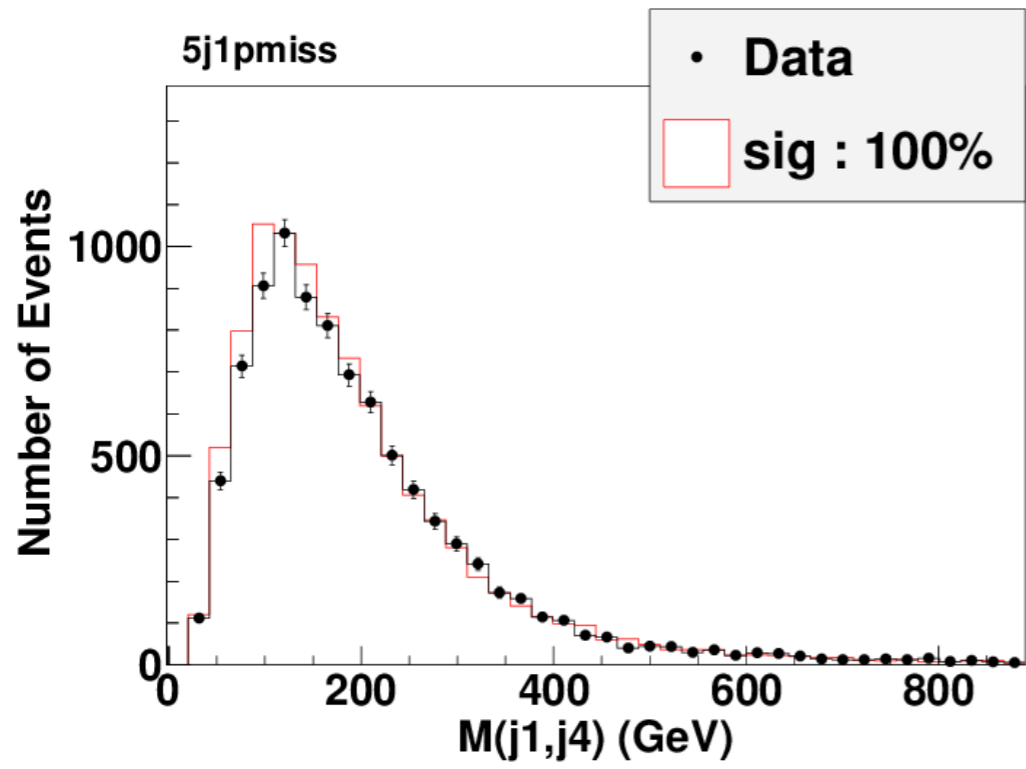
100K T1 (gluino-gluino SMS) particle level events are morphed

Compare to T1 with FastSim

To Show: only most discrepant results

Note: only jets here





Items (Questions) for Discussion

Is there a problem to be solved?

Will the theory community come to a consensus on what they need?

Can they make a cogent argument?

What will they bring to the effort?