

# Boost 2013 Report Title

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## 1 Introduction

Jet substructure has been around a while now, and it's time to study the correlations between the plethora of observables that have been developed and used. Previous BOOST reports [1, 2, 3] studied some of these things.

## 2 Monte Carlo Samples

Give details about how the samples we use have been generated.

## 3 Jet Algorithms and Grooming Approaches

Describe the jet algorithms and grooming approaches that we will use in the report. Give the nomenclature that we will use to refer to e.g. the groomed mass in the rest of the report.

## 4 Substructure Variables/Taggers

Describe the specific substructure variables and tagging approaches that we will be using in this report e.g. n-subjettiness, Q-jets, HTT, JH tagger. Give the nomenclature that we will use to refer to these variables/taggers in the rest of the report.

## 5 Boosted $W$ -Tagging

In this section we study the performance of various jet algorithms in combination with jet substructure variables/taggers in terms of the identification of a boosted hadronically decaying  $W$  signal. For each jet algorithm we produce Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) curves that elucidate the performance of various variables that are capable of providing discrimination between a hadronic  $W$  signal and a QCD jet. These variables are then combined in a Boosted Decision Tree (BDT) and the performance of the resulting BDT discriminant explored through ROC curves to understand the degree to which variables are correlated and exploiting the same information. These studies are repeated in

different kinematic regimes, to explore both the performance and correlations as a function of the jet boost, and where substructure approaches may break down.

### 5.1 Methodology

These studies use the  $X \rightarrow WW$  samples as signal and the XXX samples to model the QCD background.

Jets are reconstructed using the XXX jet algorithms described in the previous section. The following event selection is then applied to these samples....(presumably this will vary depending on which kinematic bin is used, as will the actual samples used - maybe summarize in a table).

Figure 1 shows background versus signal in some basic kinematic distributions. *Do we want to reweight signal kinematics to background or vice versa? Do we want to study quarks/gluons separately?*

Go on to explain how we produce the ROC curves.

### 5.2 Performance at Moderate Boosts

(this section is to cover the  $W$ -tagging performance for jet  $p_T$  200-300 GeV and 500-600 GeV using  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV samples)

#### 5.2.1 Single Variable Performance

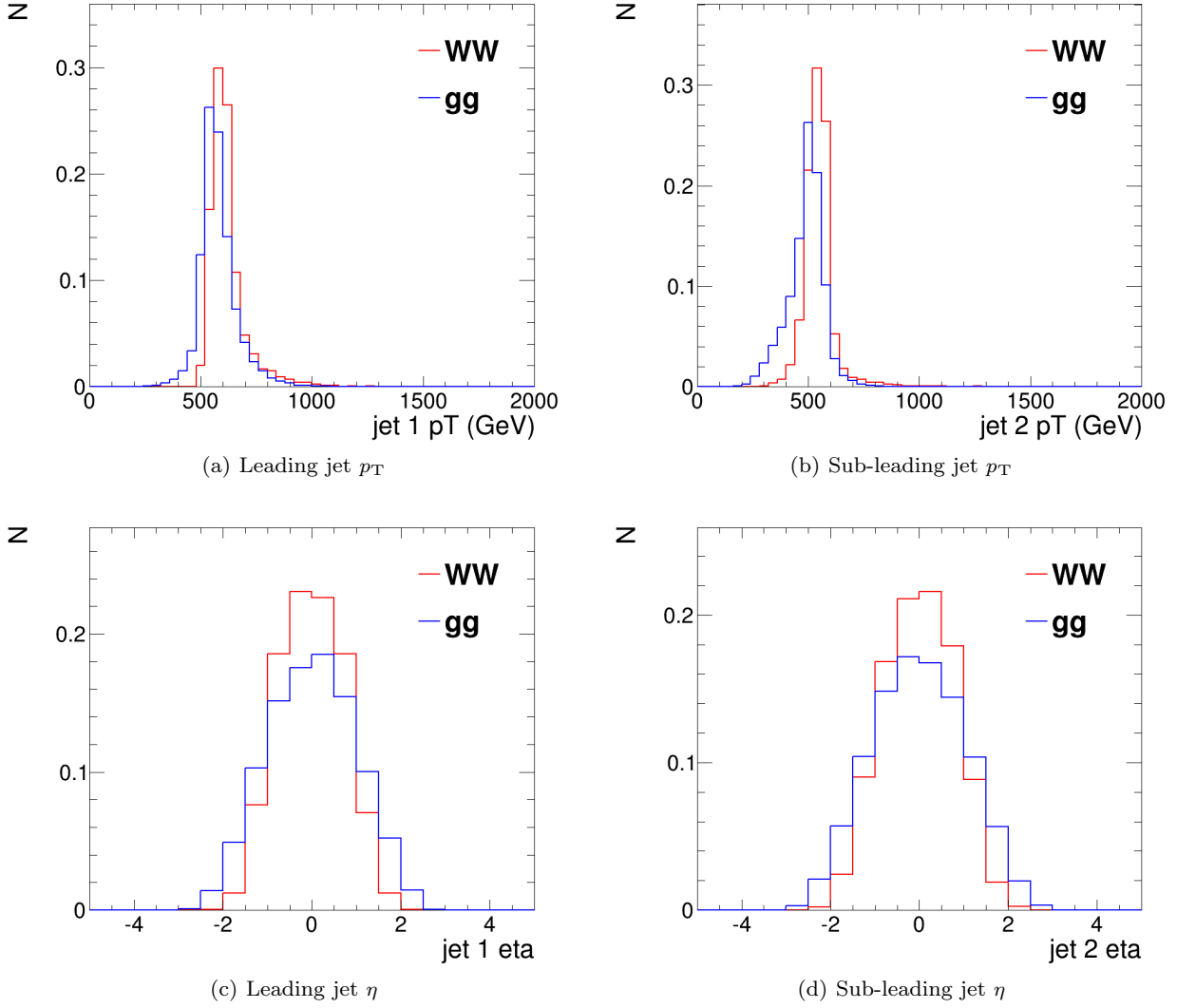
*Show plots of signal versus background for all single variables investigated.*

Figure 2 the compares signal and background in the mass distributions for the different groomers, and Figure 3 in the different substructure variables.

Figure 4 shows the single variable ROC curves in the  $p_T$  500 GeV bin for the anti- $k_T$   $R=0.8$  algorithm, compared to the ROC curve for a BDT combination of all the variables. One can see that the best performant single variables for a reasonable signal efficiency are the groomed/filtered masses, which all have a similar level of performance with the exception of the soft drop mass with  $\beta = -1$ . *Would be good to split this into two plots, one using the masses and one for other variables, or somehow make the mass and other variable curves more distinct from one another by using same colour for all the mass curves.*

*We want to look also at:*

- *Dependence on  $R$ . So have the same single variable ROC for e.g.  $R=1.2$ ,  $R=0.4$ . Then possibly have another plot which compares the best single variable (e.g. groomed mass) for different  $R$ .*



**Fig. 1** Comparisons of the QCD background to the WW signal in the  $p_T$  500 GeV bin using the anti- $k_T$   $R=0.8$  algorithm: basic kinematic distributions.

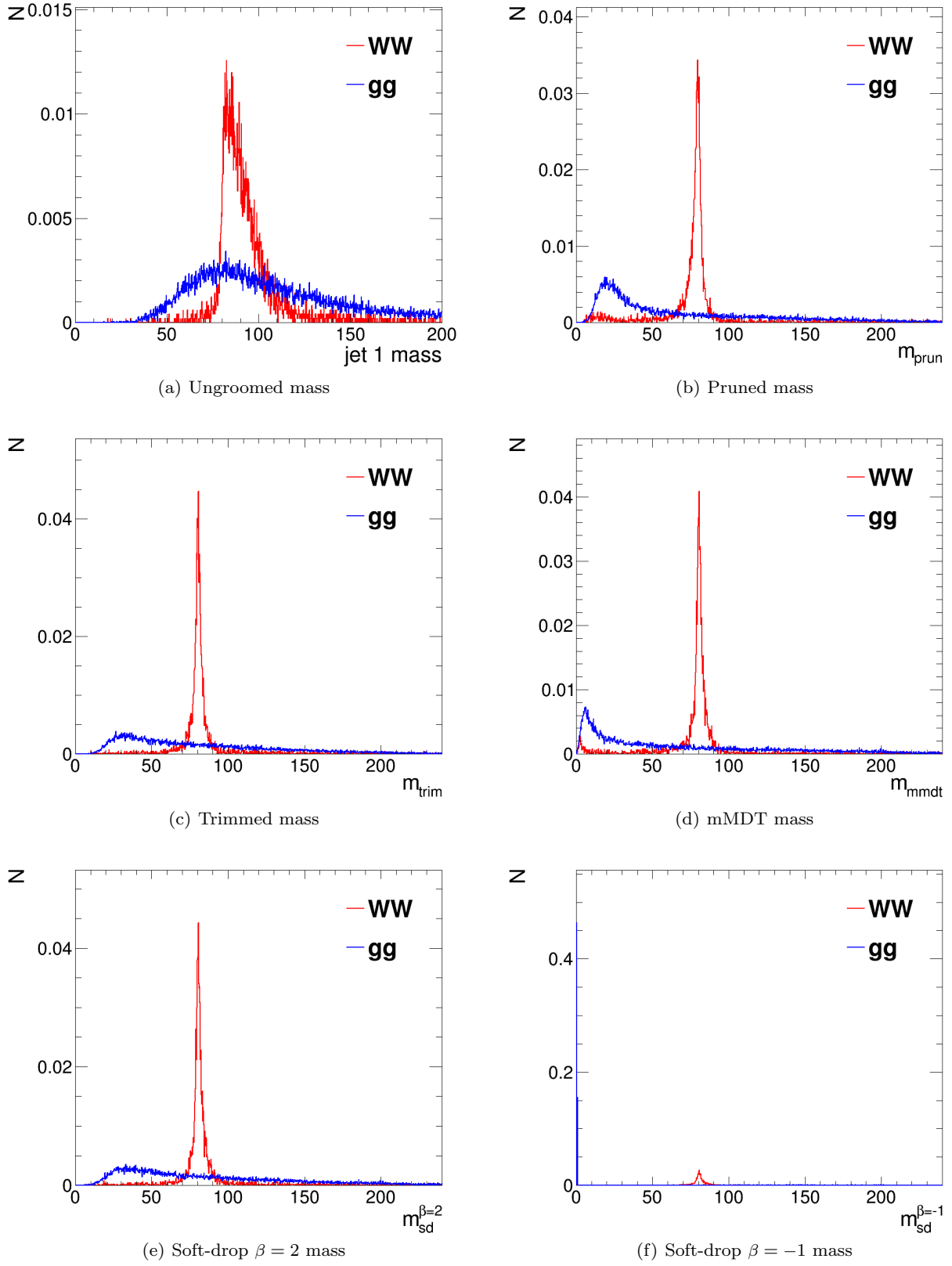
- *Dependence on  $p_T$ .* Again want to repeat the plot for different kinematic bins, and then have a plot which compares the best performance in each kinematic bin to see the dependence of performance on kinematics.

### 5.2.2 Combined Performance

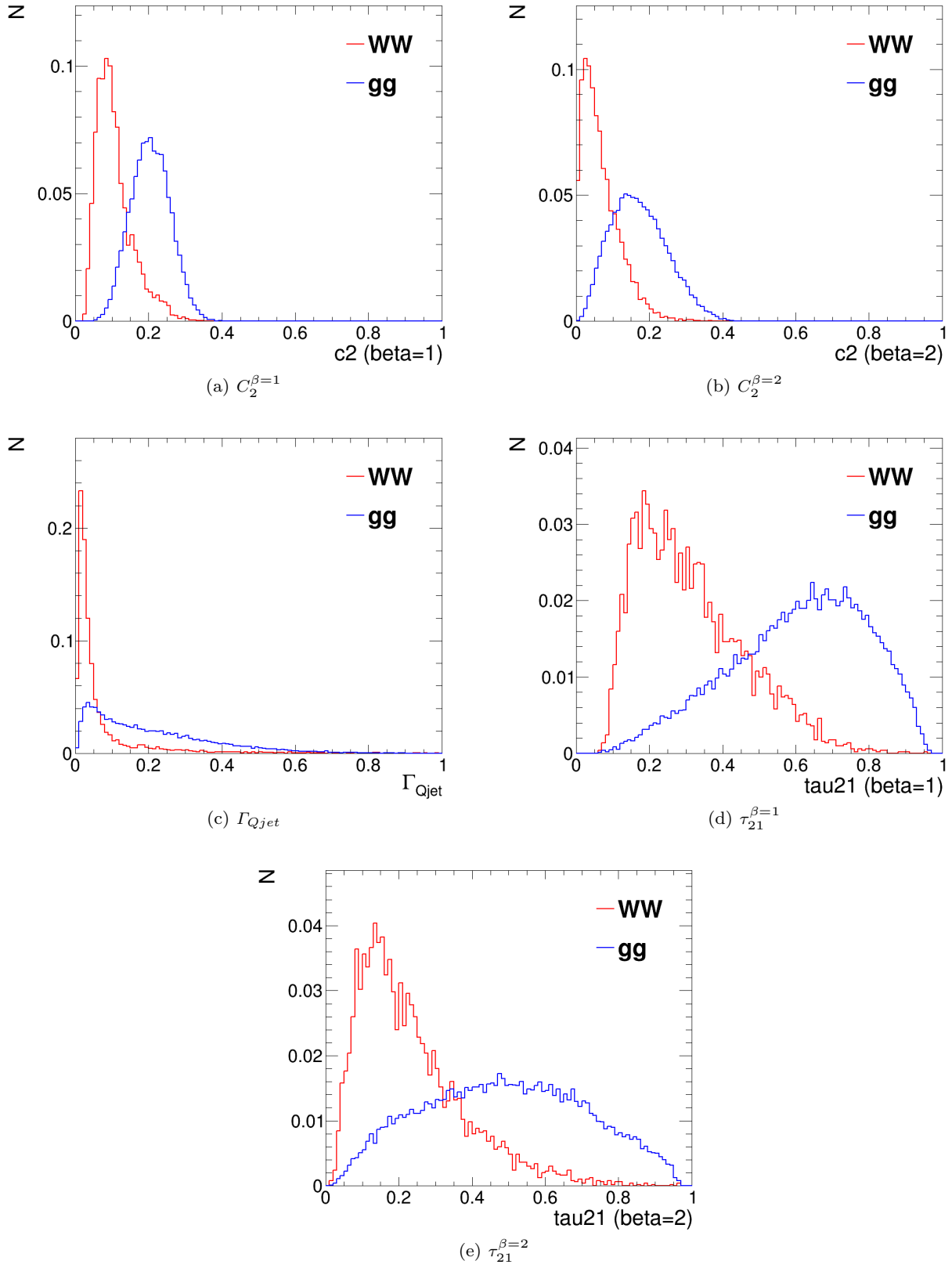
Figure 5 shows the BDT combinations of each mass variable with every other variable considered in the  $p_T$  500 GeV bin using the anti- $k_T$   $R=0.8$  algorithm. Can we drop the combinations of mass + mass from these plots to make them clearer? Also would be good to put the single variable mass curve on these plots, so you can see how much improvement the combination gives, and the “all variables” curve.

No combination with other variables can recover the poor performance of the ungroomed mass and the soft drop mass with  $\beta = -1$ . The other groomed/filtered masses are all most improved by combination with the  $C_2^{\beta=1}$  energy correlation function. Figure 6 shows the 2-D correlation plots between the mMDT mass and the  $C_2^{\beta=1}$ ,  $\Gamma_{Qjet}$  and  $\tau_{21}^{\beta=1}$  variables. One can clearly see that there is substantially less correlation between the mass and  $C_2^{\beta=1}$  than the other variables. Similar results are seen for the other groomed masses.

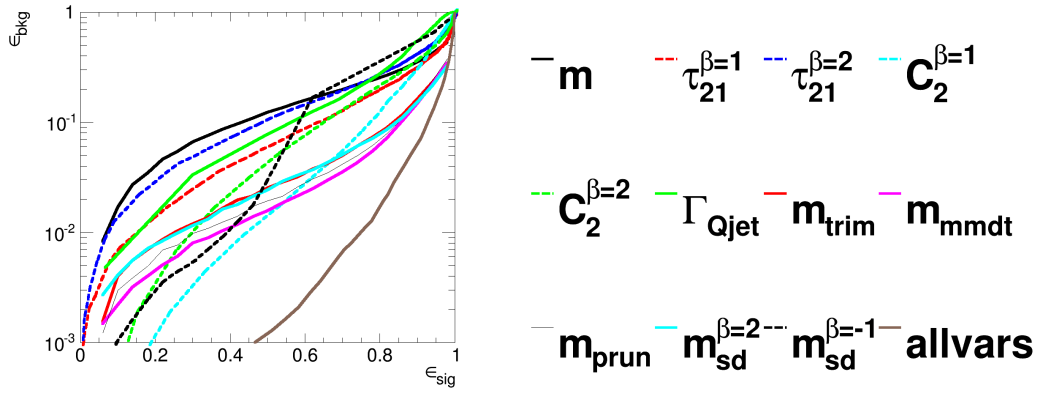
Now show a plot which compares on one plot the best combined performance for each mass + X. e.g. mass +  $C_2^{\beta=1}$ , and compared also to the all variables curve. This plot is just for one  $R$  and one kinematic bin.



**Fig. 2** Comparisons of the QCD background to the WW signal in the  $p_T$  500 GeV bin using the anti- $k_T$  R=0.8 algorithm: leading jet mass distributions.



**Fig. 3** Comparisons of the QCD background to the WW signal in the  $p_T$  500 GeV bin using the anti- $k_T$  R=0.8 algorithm: substructure variables.



**Fig. 4** The ROC curve for all single variables considered for  $W$  tagging in the  $p_T$  500 GeV bin using the anti- $k_T$   $R=0.8$  algorithm.

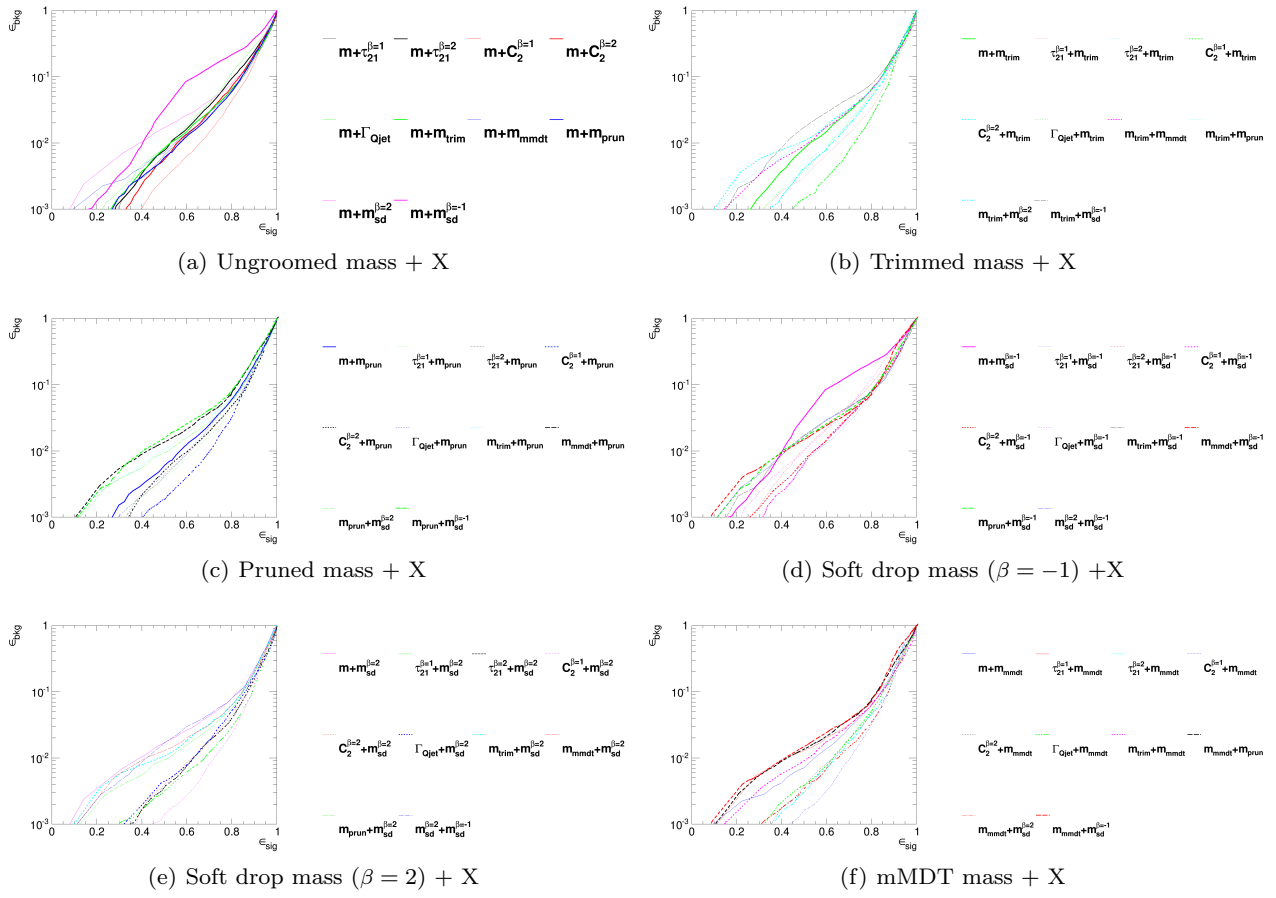
*Repeat these studies for different  $R$  and different kinematic bins. Finally make plots which compare best combined performance for different  $R$  and kinematics.*

*Do we want to look at other combinations of variables which don't involve mass? Practically I think we will always be making mass +  $X$  though.*

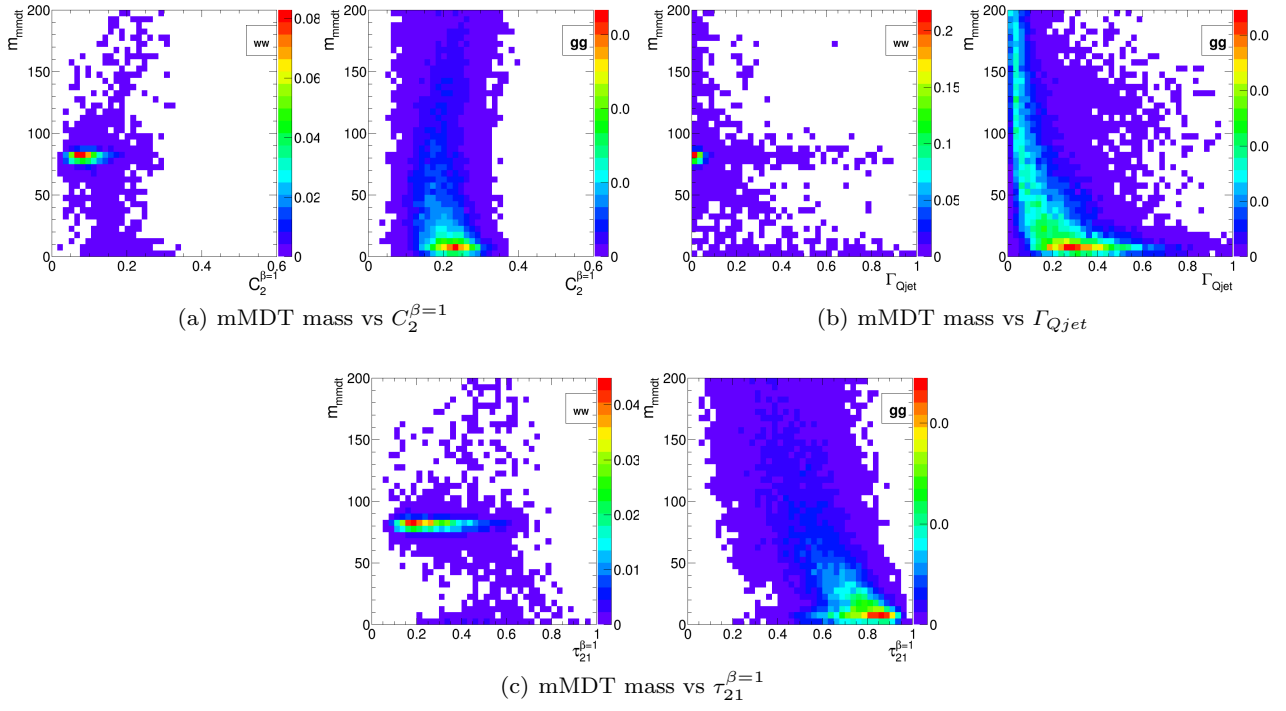
### 5.3 Performance at High Boosts

(this section is to cover the  $W$ -tagging performance for jet  $p_T$  1-1.1 TeV and  $> 1.5$  TeV using  $\sqrt{s} = 14$  TeV samples)

*Maybe we don't need to divide into different medium/high boost sections.*



**Fig. 5** The BDT combinations of each mass variable with every other variable considered in the  $p_T$  500 GeV bin using the anti- $k_T$  R=0.8 algorithm.



**Fig. 6** 2-D plots showing the correlation between mMDT mass and various substructure variables in the  $p_T$  500 GeV bin using the anti- $k_T$   $R=0.8$  algorithm.



## 6 Top Tagging

Top tagging studies go here.

## 7 Quark-Gluon Tagging

q/g tagging studies go here.

## 8 Summary & Conclusions

This report discussed the correlations between observables and looked forward to jet substructure at Run II of the LHC at 14 TeV center-of-mass collisions energies.

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