



## b-tagging calibration using $t\bar{t}$ events with the ATLAS experiment

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## **b-tagging**

- b-quark hadronizes to a B-hadron, which lifetime is long enough for us to be able to reconstruct the secondary vertex
- Algorithms allowing to recognize a jet originating from a b-quark:
  - secondary vertex based
  - impact parameter based
  - combination of above, often using neural networks
- Performance of b-tagging crucial for new physics searches



**rejection rate** is a ratio of all jets to jets that were tagged (inverse of efficiency)



## calibration with jets containing muons

- performed on a QCD multijet sample
- only ~20% b-jets contain a muon
- 2 methods (statistically correlated):

## pTrel:

 $p_{\text{T}}{}^{\text{rel}}$  templates to extract the b/c/light jet yields in the pre-tagged and tagged sample

## <u>system8</u>:

two samples with different b-purity, applying a soft muon tagger and the tagger under test. Solves a system of equations for b and non-b jets efficiencies and fractions

tag 1

tag 2





## calibration with jets containing muons results with 2010 data



### results for SV0 tagger 50% efficiency working point

tagging efficiency in data for pTrel and system8

- data-simulation scaling factors consistent with 1
- total syst. uncertainty 5-25% depending on tagger and jet p<sub>T</sub>, mostly:
  - modeling of heavy flavour production, decays and fragmentation
  - jet energy scale and resolution
  - pileup modeling
- rely on low p<sub>T</sub> jet triggers (statistical limitations)
- upper limit on the jet  $p_T$



## calibration with $t\bar{t}$ events

- LHC is a top factory
- top decays ~100% to Wb
- $\Rightarrow$  at least 2 b-jets in event
  - clear event signature:
  - **dilepton channel:** 2 leptons + 2 jets + E<sub>T</sub><sup>miss</sup>
  - single lepton channel: 1 lepton + 4 jets +  $E_T^{miss}$
- in 5 fb<sup>-1</sup> ~0.5 million dilepton and single lepton events **tag counting:** 
  - fitting number of tagged jets **kinematic selection:**
- calculating the tagging rate of jets in events passing "standard"  $t\bar{t}$  selection criteria

most of the  $t\overline{t}$  methods are not statistically correlated!





## calibration with $t\bar{t}$ events results & future plans





#### **Current results:**

- first ATLAS results with 2010 data
- data-MC scaling factors higher than for the baseline methods, but within uncertainties

## Future plans:

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**1.6** 'n 1.5 Update with 2011 data ready very soon 1.4 for both kinds of calibrations methods 1.3 combination of results planned will allow to significantly reduce 1.1 • uncertainty (b-tagging uncertainty is a dominant uncertaint for most of analyses) 0.9 0.8 ttbar tag count I+jets ttbar tag count ll 0.7 ttbar kinematic I+jets 0.6

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#### Summary:

- very promising methods
  - large statistics
  - reach high p<sub>T</sub> jets





# **THANK YOU!**



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