



Experimental overview of heavy flavor jets at LHCb

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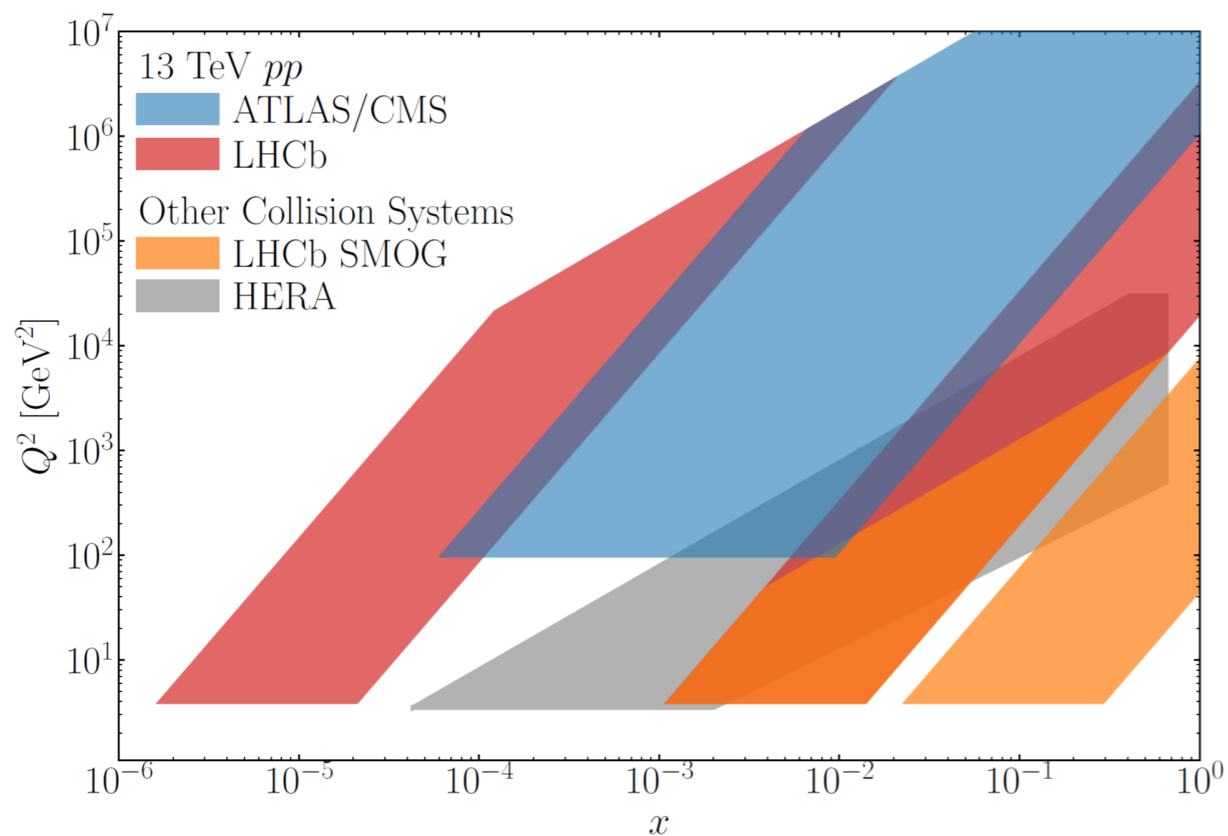
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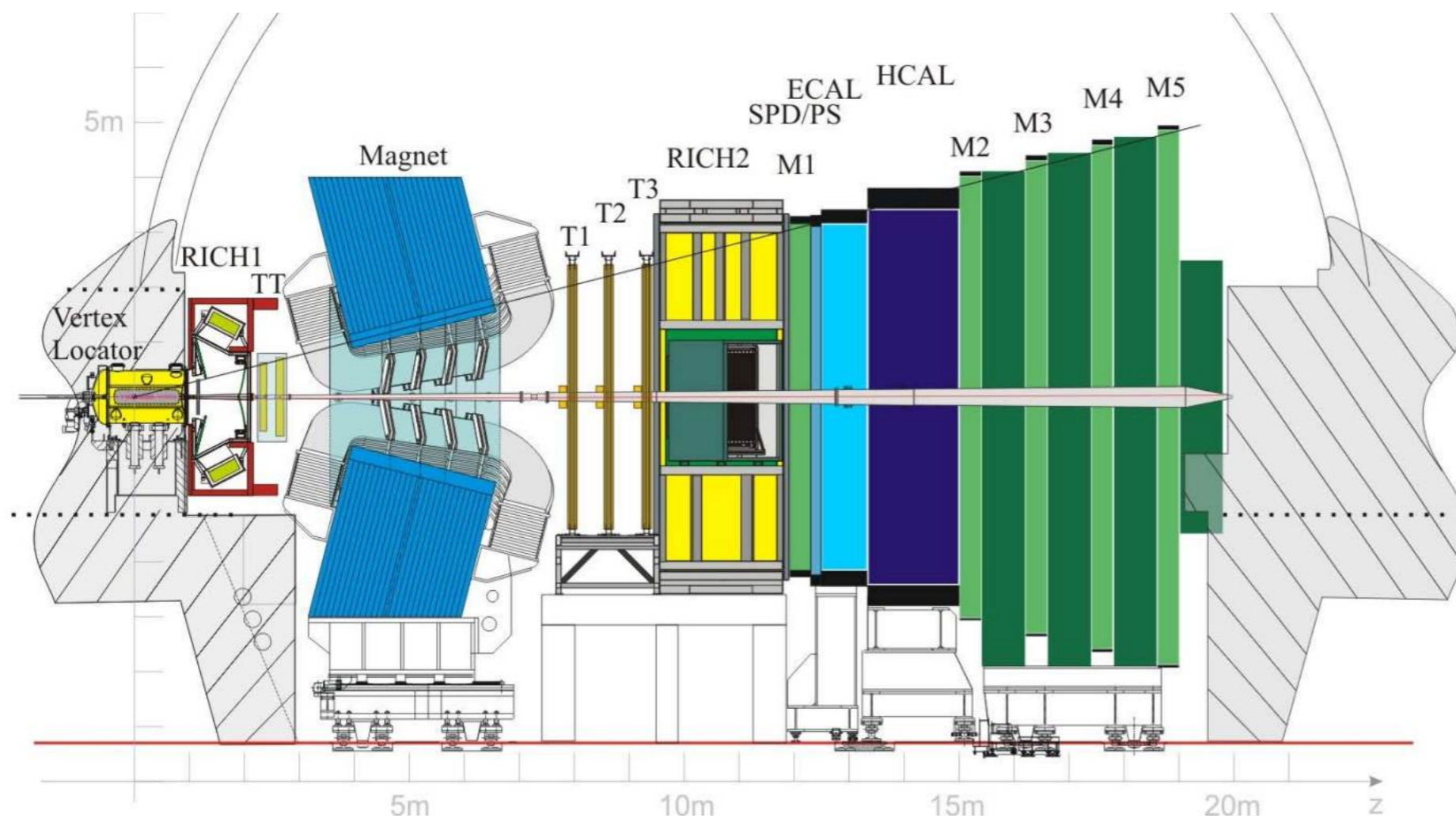
Heavy flavor jets in the forward region



- LHCb's forward acceptance ($2 < \eta < 5$) allows it to access a complementary region of phase space to ALICE, ATLAS, and CMS
 - Extends region of phase space for tests of perturbative QCD calculations
- Measurements with heavy flavor jets in the forward region can constrain PDFs at high and low x
 - Typically where PDF uncertainties are the largest

The Large Hadron Collider beauty (LHCb) Detector

Forward spectrometer designed to study the production and decays of heavy flavor hadrons



Momentum resolution:
0.5% at low momentum to 1% at 200 GeV/c

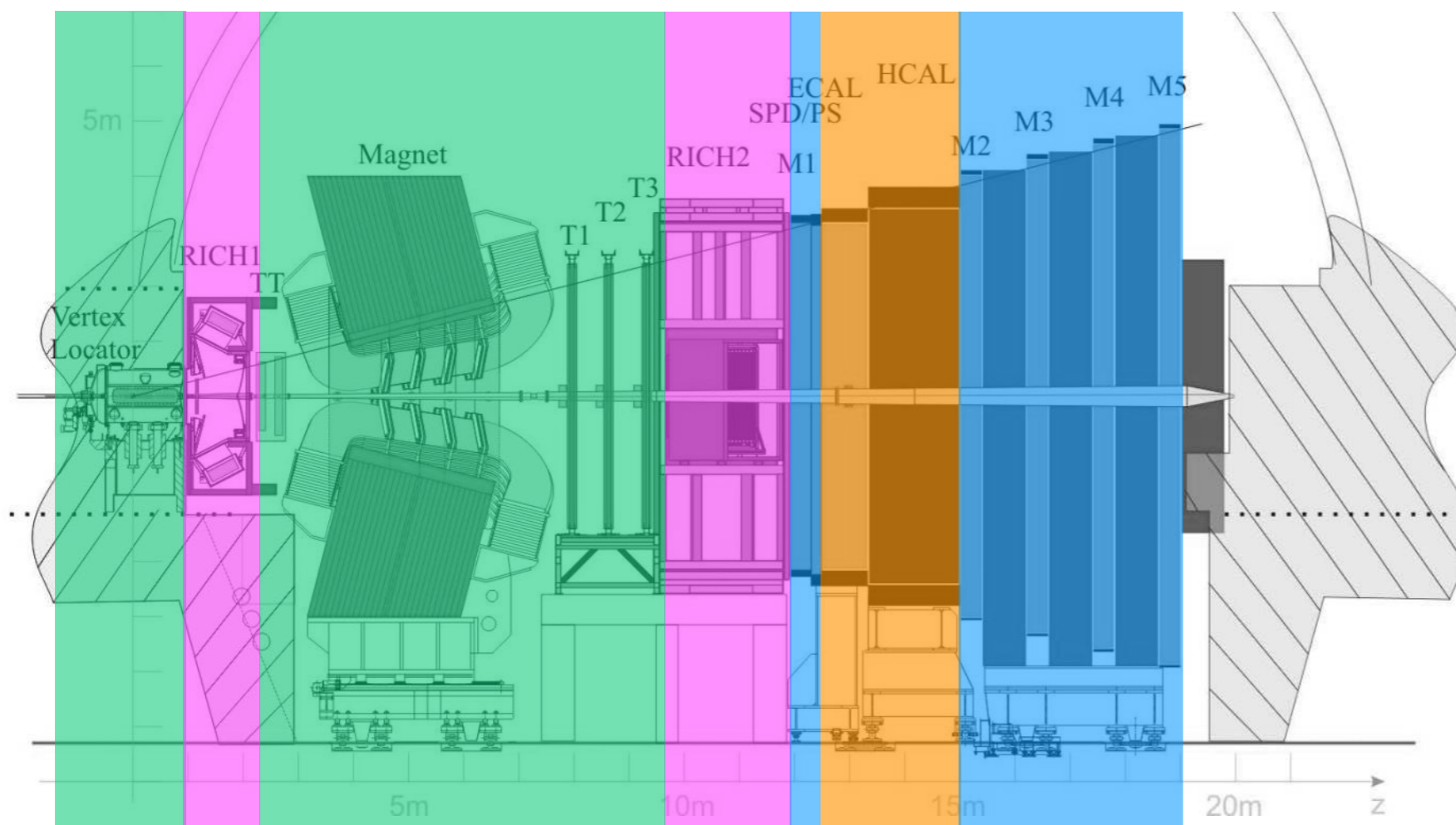
Impact parameter resolution:
 $15 + 29/p_T \mu\text{m}$

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The Large Hadron Collider beauty (LHCb) Detector

Full **hadronic and electromagnetic calorimetry**, **tracking**, **particle identification**, and **muon ID** in $2 < \eta < 5$



Jet reconstruction:

- Particle flow algorithm to select charged + neutral inputs
- Anti- k_T clustering with $R=0.5$

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This talk:

1. Heavy flavor jet tagging at LHCb

2. Heavy flavor jet measurements at LHCb

- Heavy flavor dijet measurements
- Top production measurements
- (W/Z) + heavy flavor jet measurements

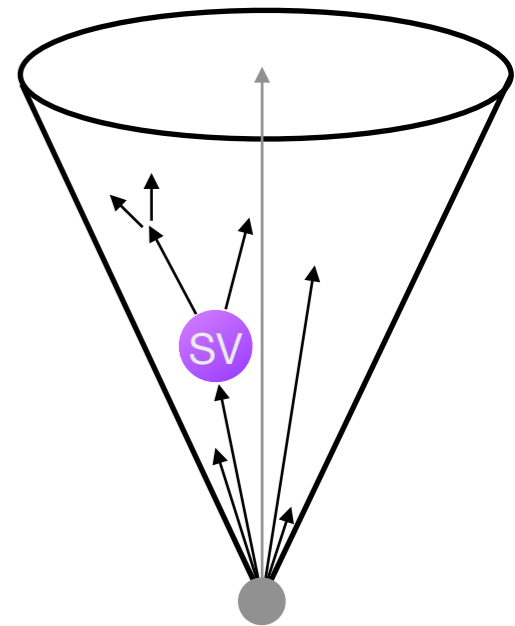
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Heavy flavor jet tagging at LHCb

Consists of two components:

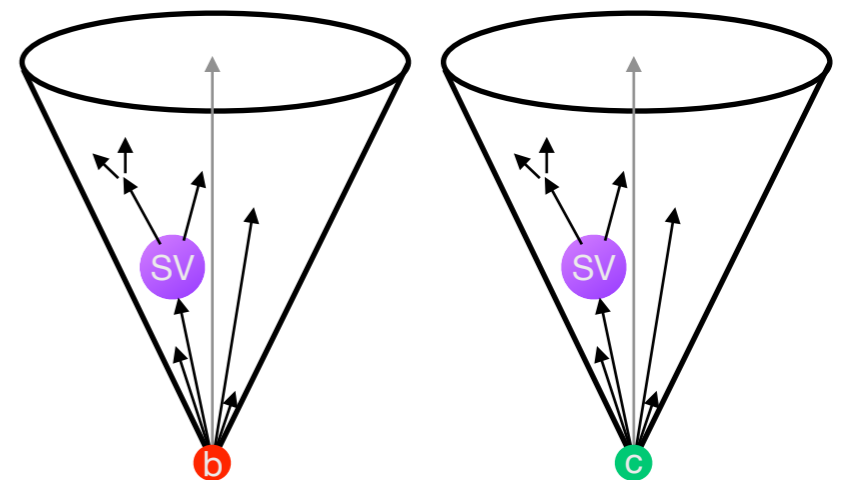
1. Secondary vertex tagging (“SV-tagging”) algorithm

- Uses tracks inside and outside the jet with a significant p_T and PV displacement to construct all possible 2-track SVs, then merges SVs that share tracks into N-track SVs
- A jet is tagged as a heavy flavor jet if it has a **SV** passing all quality cuts within the jet cone ($\Delta R(\text{SV}, \text{jet}) < 0.5$)



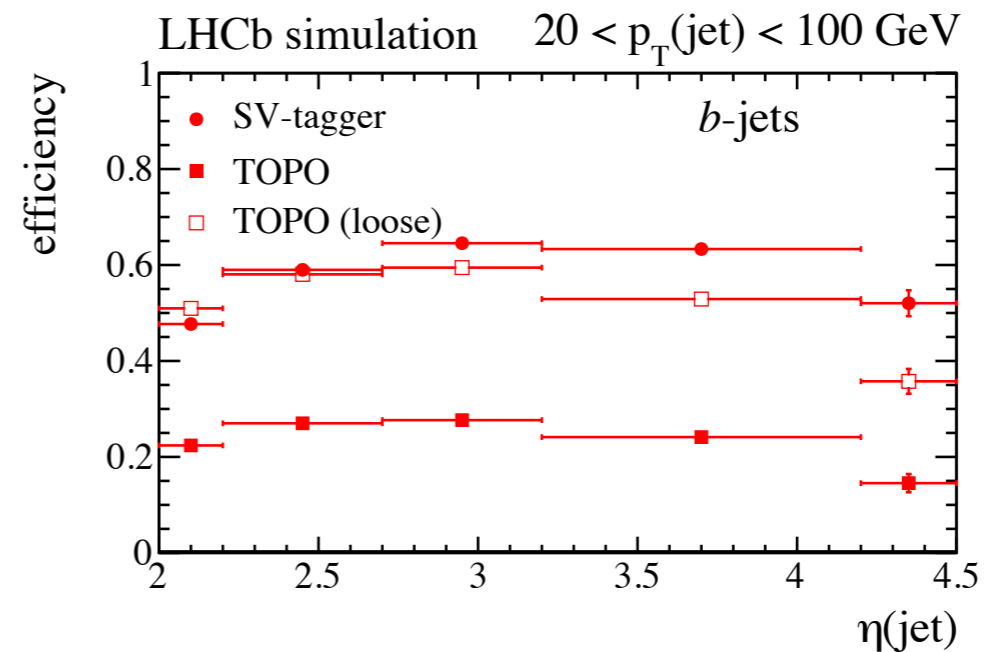
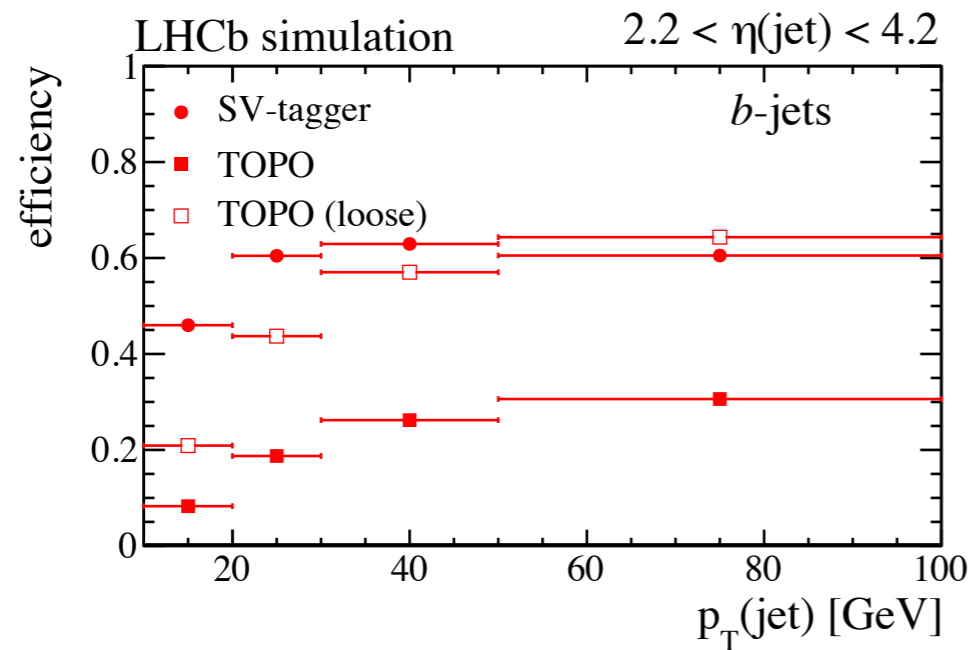
2. Optional Boosted Decision Trees (BDTs)

- Use input information about the SV in the jet to provide further flavor discrimination between **beauty**, **charm**, and light-parton jets

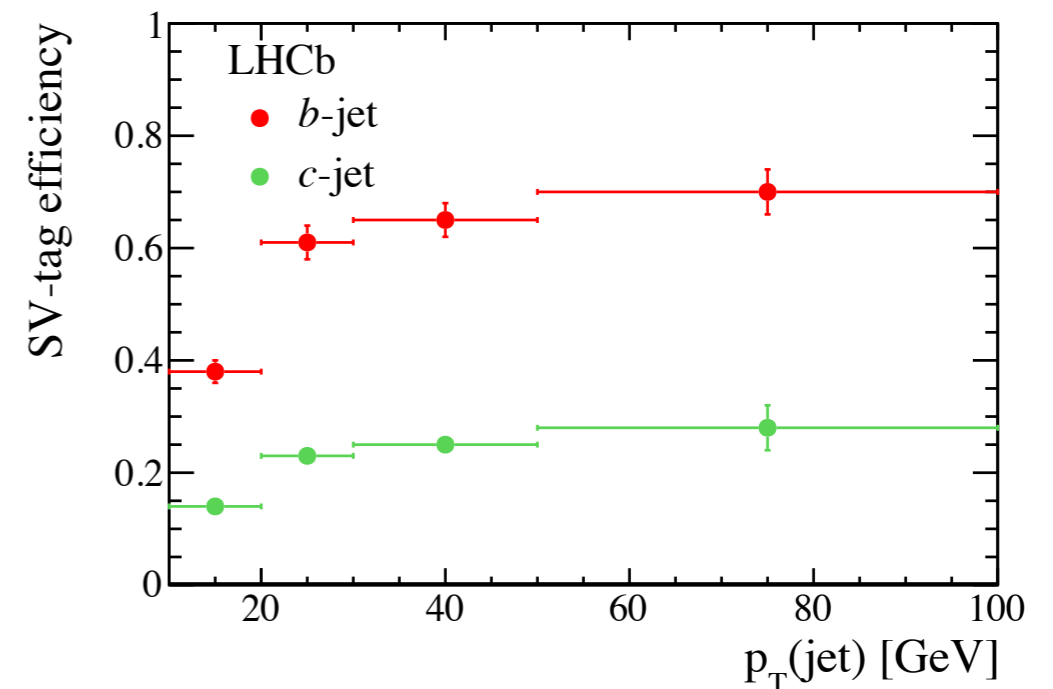


SV-tagging algorithm performance

- Comparison between SV-tagger and TOPO tagger (BDT for identification of b-hadron decays in the LHCb trigger):

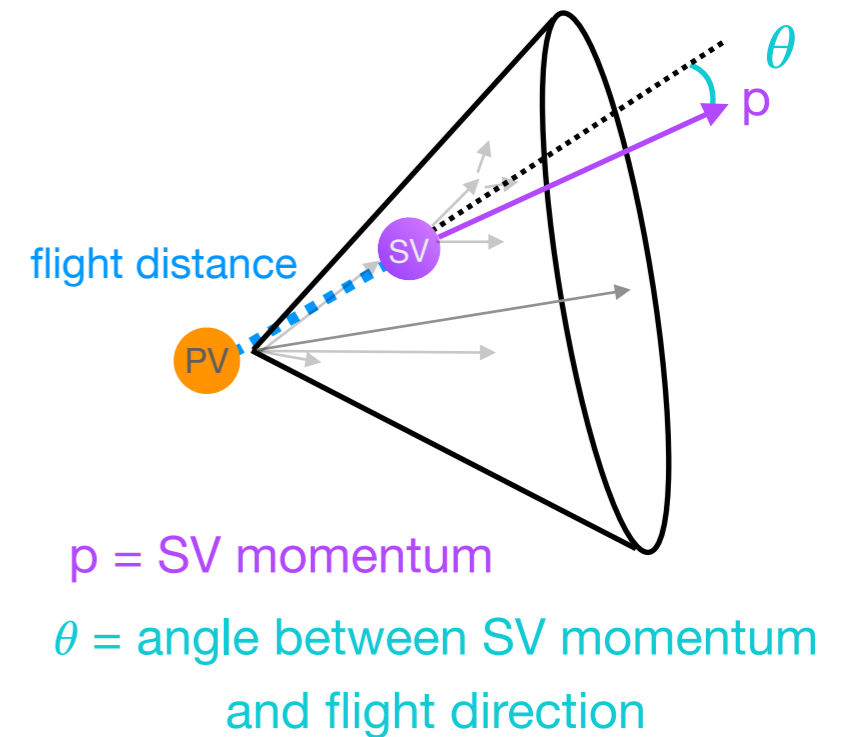


- For Run 1 data, $2.2 < \eta_{\text{jet}} < 4.2$, $20 < \text{jet } p_T < 100$ GeV:
 - b-jet tagging efficiency of $\sim 65\%$
 - c-jet tagging efficiency of $\sim 25\%$
 - light jet mis-ID probability $\sim 0.3\%$
 - Slight degradation in Run 2 data due to increased track multiplicity

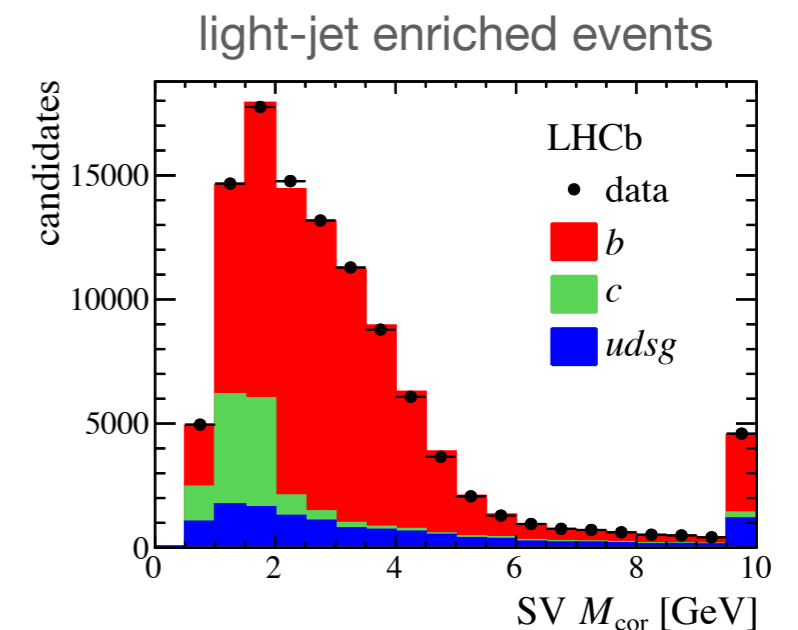
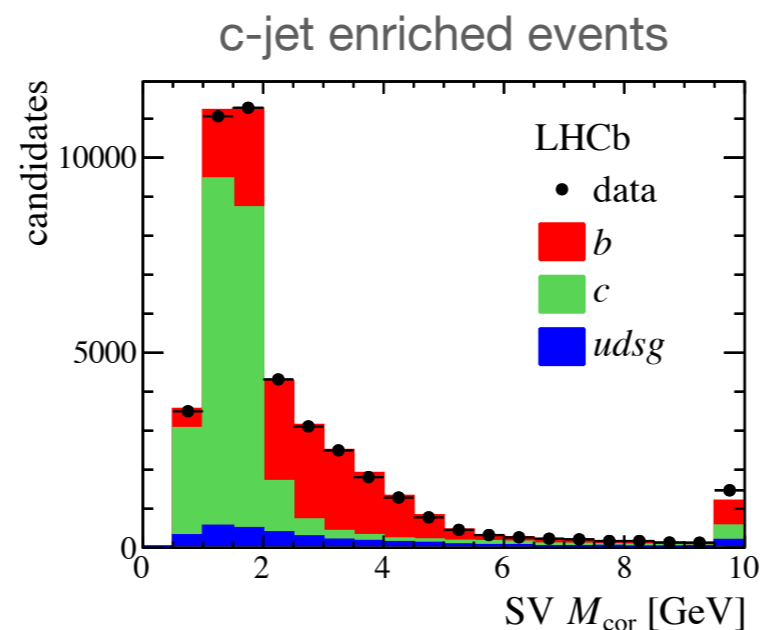
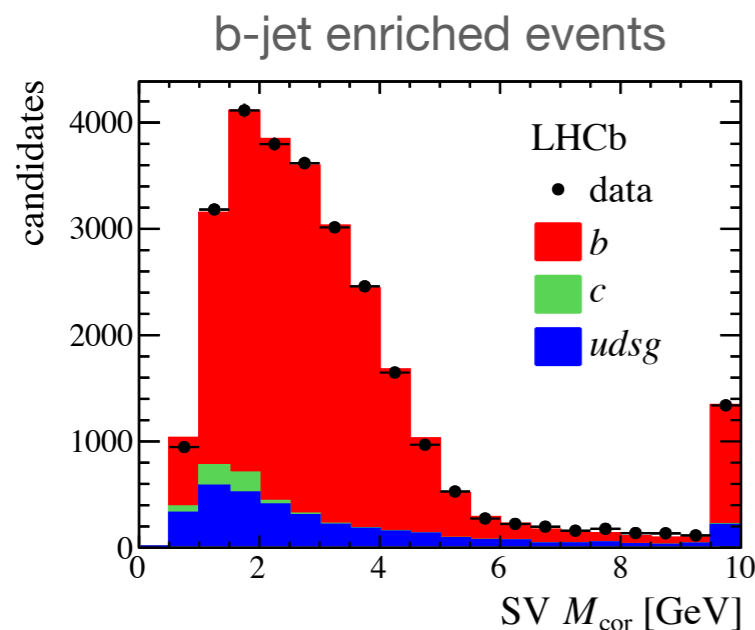


Discriminating beauty from charm jets: BDT inputs

- SV flight distance χ^2
- Sum of the difference in χ^2 when performing a PV fit with and without each track in the SV
- Secondary vertex mass M
- Secondary vertex corrected mass M_{corr} : the minimum mass a long-lived hadron can have that is consistent with the SV flight direction

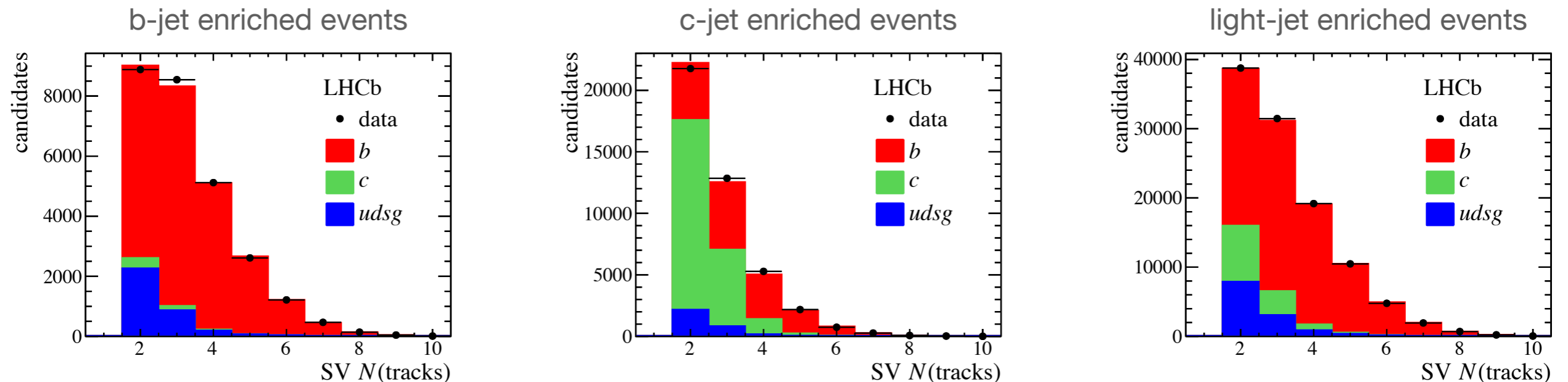


$$M_{corr} \equiv \sqrt{M^2 + p^2 \sin^2 \theta} + p \sin \theta$$



Discriminating beauty from charm jets: BDT inputs

- Number of tracks in the SV - excellent discriminator for b-jet tagging

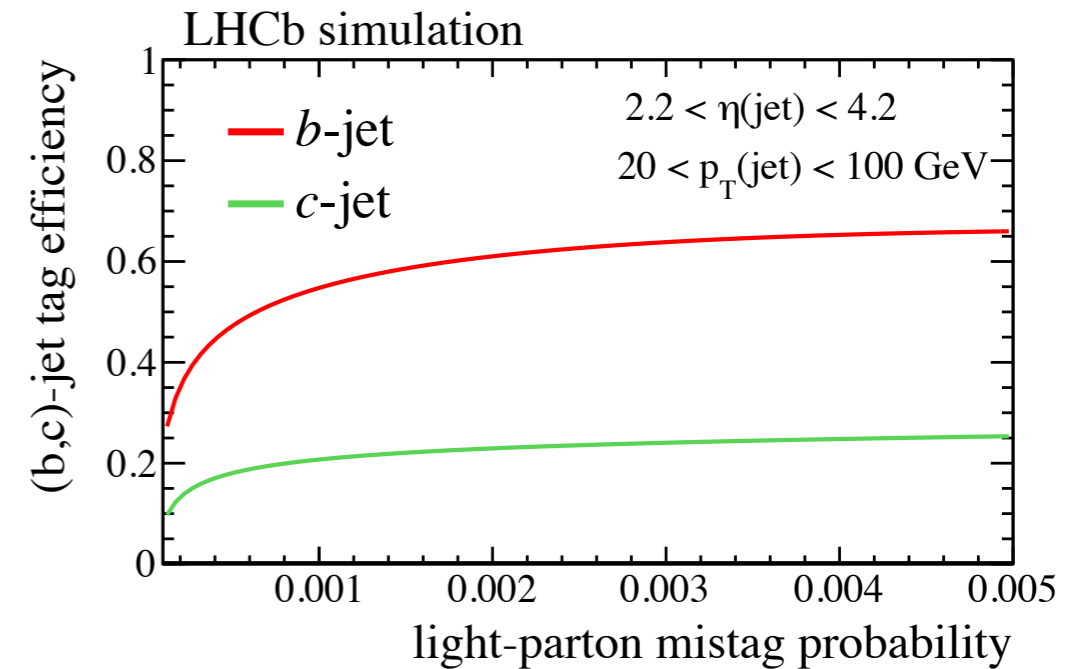


- Number of tracks in the SV with $\Delta R < 0.5$ relative to the jet axis
- Net charge of the tracks that form the SV
- Transverse flight distance of the 2-track SV closest to the PV
- Fraction of the jet p_T carried by the SV: $p_T(\text{SV})/p_T(\text{jet})$
- ΔR between the SV flight direction and the jet

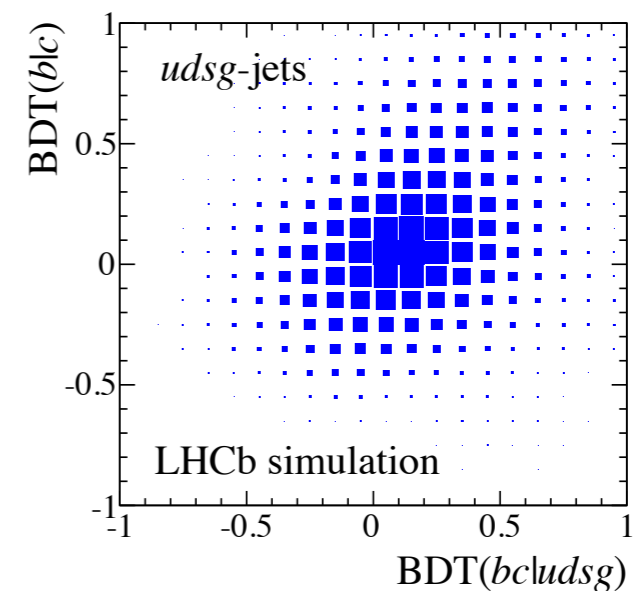
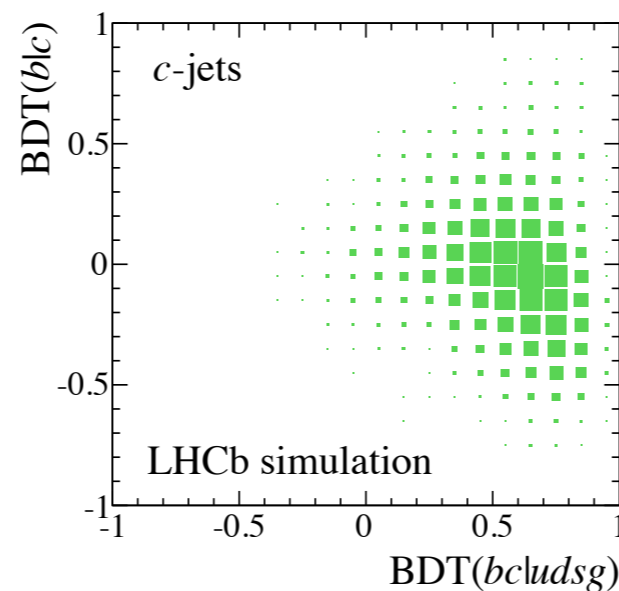
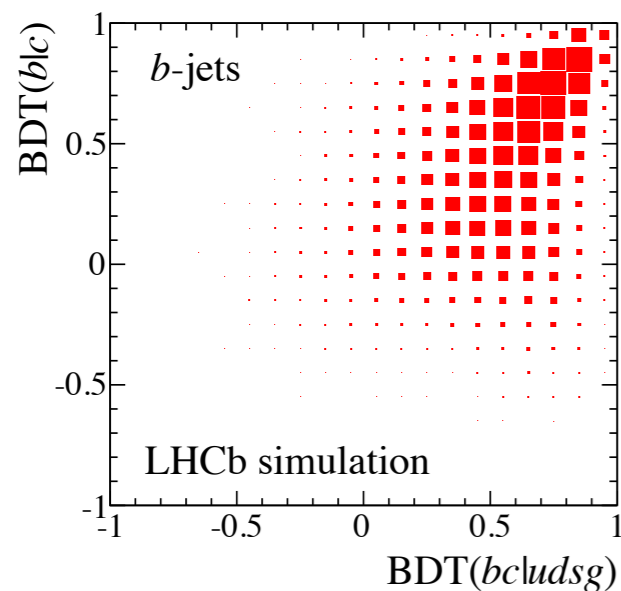
Boosted Decision Trees for jet flavor discrimination

Two BDTs are used:

- BDT(bc|udsg) discriminates between heavy- and light-flavor jets
- BDT(b|c) discriminates between beauty and charm jets



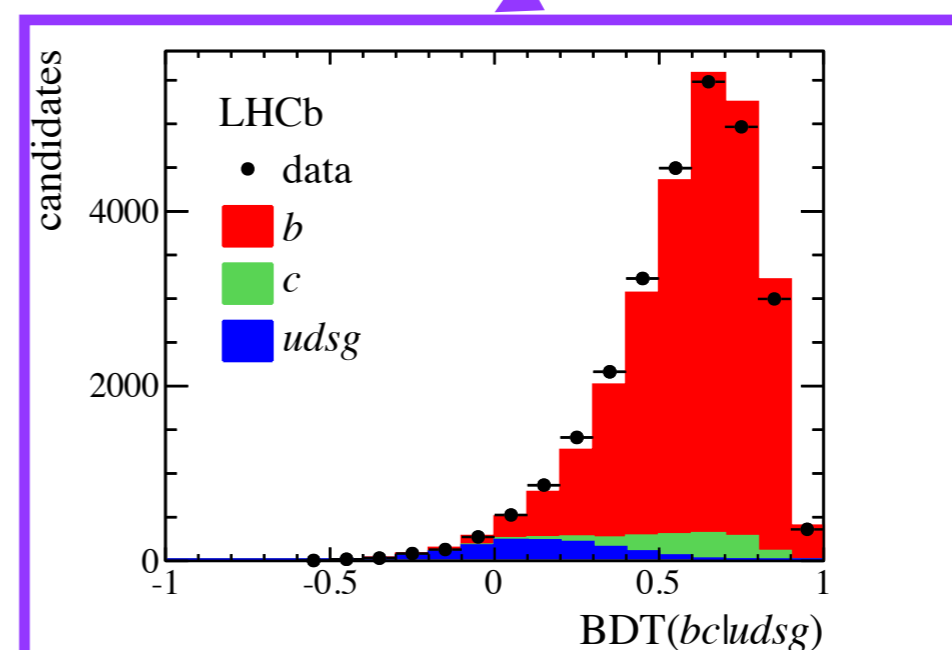
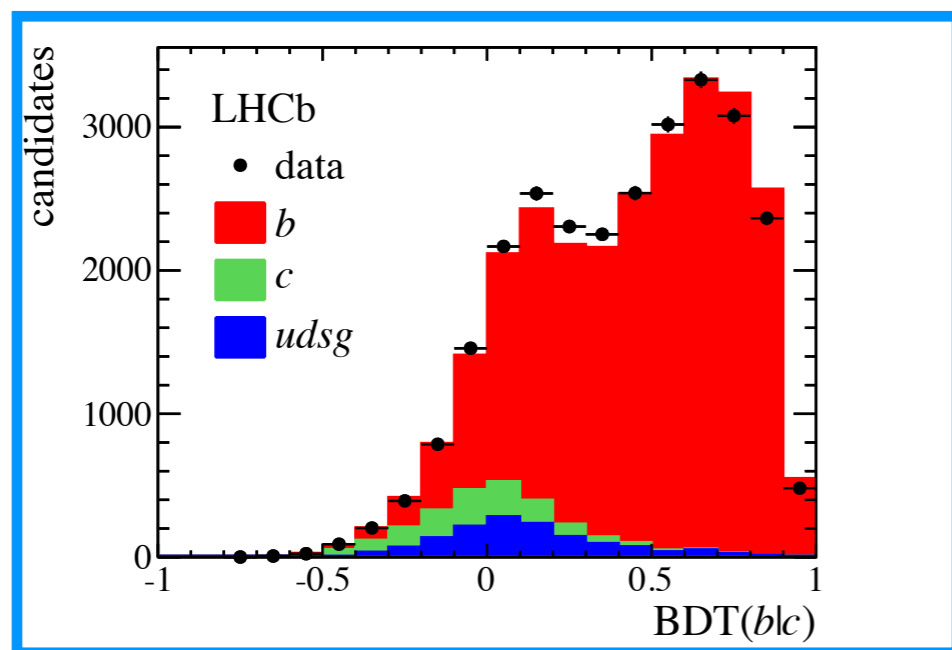
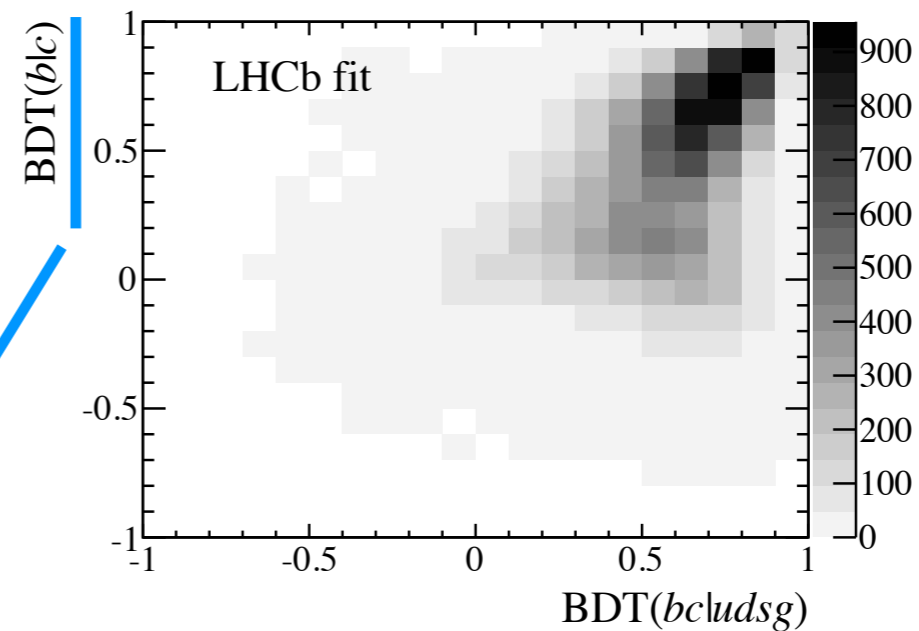
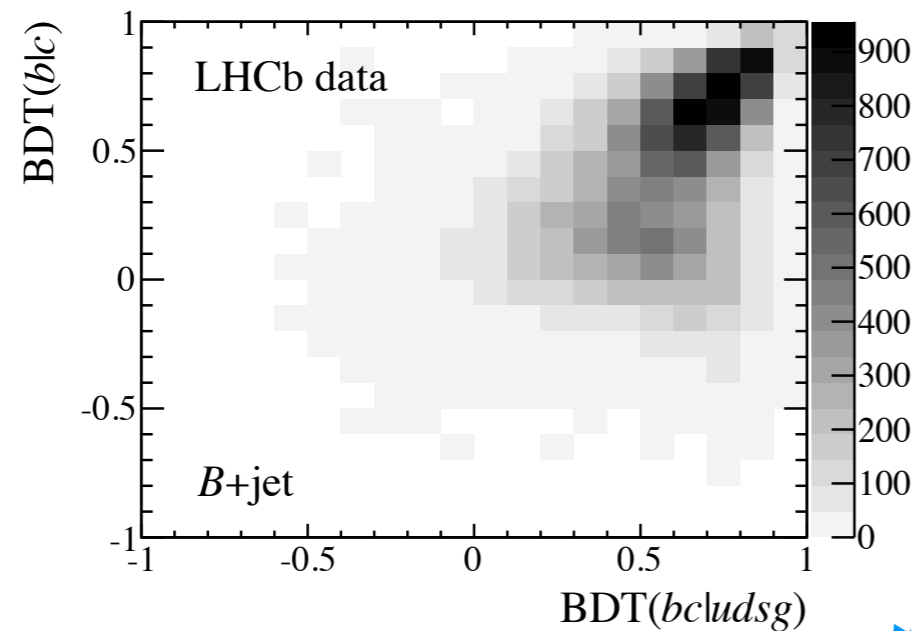
2D BDT distributions clearly distinguish each jet type:



Use as templates for fit to 2D BDT distribution in data

BDT template fits

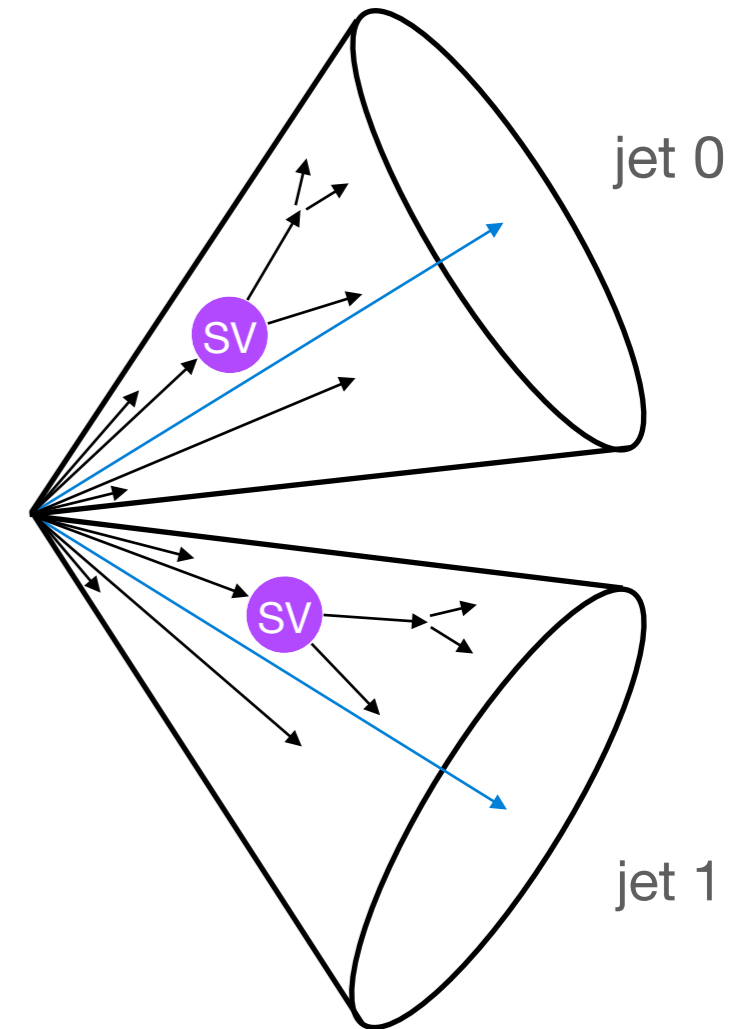
Template fit to 2D BDT distribution in data allows for extraction of flavor-tagged jet yields:



Heavy flavor dijet measurements

Forward $b\bar{b}$ - and $c\bar{c}$ -dijet cross sections in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV

- Differential measurements allow for crucial tests of perturbative NLO QCD calculations
- Important background for BSM physics searches
- Measured at LHCb with 1.6 fb^{-1} 2016 dataset as a function of four variables:
 - Leading jet η
 - Leading jet p_T
 - Dijet invariant mass m_{jj}
 - Rapidity difference between jets, $\Delta y = (y_0 - y_1)/2$
- Both jets required to be SV-tagged and have $p_T > 20$ GeV and $2.2 < \eta < 4.2$, azimuthal angle between jets $|\Delta\phi| > 1.5$



Forward $b\bar{b}$ - and $c\bar{c}$ -dijet cross sections in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV

Flavor-tagged dijet yields:

- Four BDT scores needed to identify $b\bar{b}$ and $c\bar{c}$ events: $\text{BDT}(bc|udsg)$ and $\text{BDT}(b|c)$ for each jet

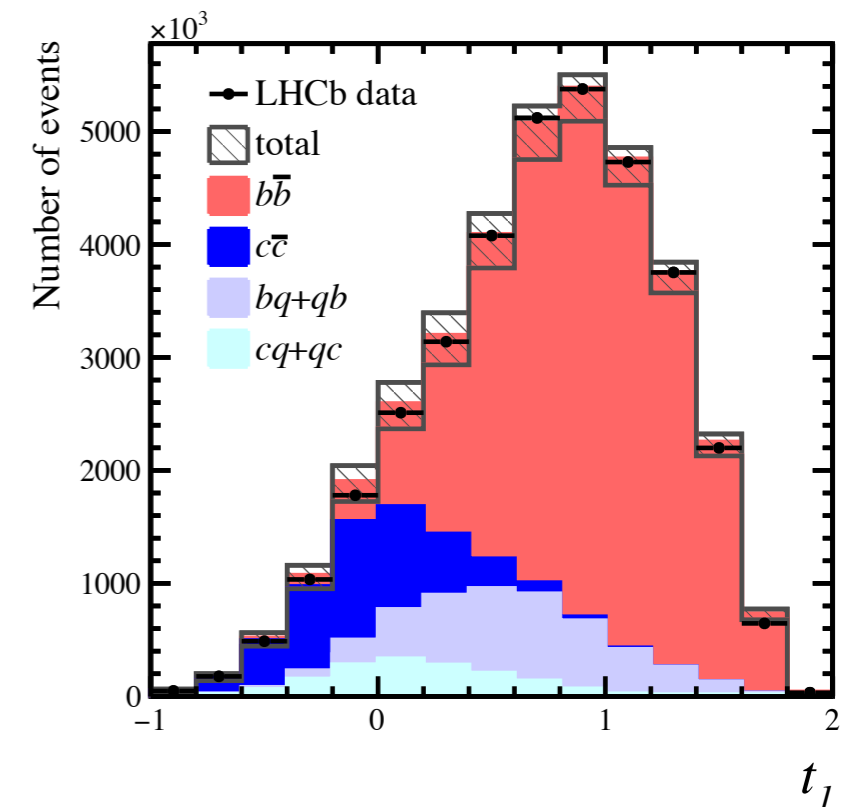
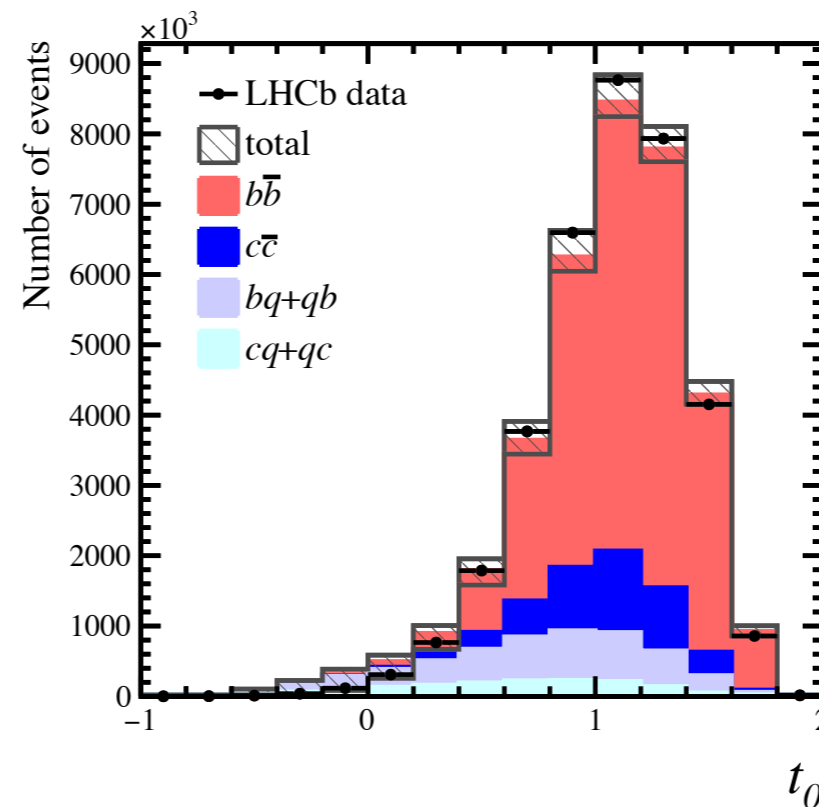
- Construct linear combinations of the BDT scores:

$$t_0 = \text{BDT}_{bc|udsg}(\text{jet } 0) + \text{BDT}_{bc|udsg}(\text{jet } 1)$$

$$t_1 = \text{BDT}_{b|c}(\text{jet } 0) + \text{BDT}_{b|c}(\text{jet } 1)$$

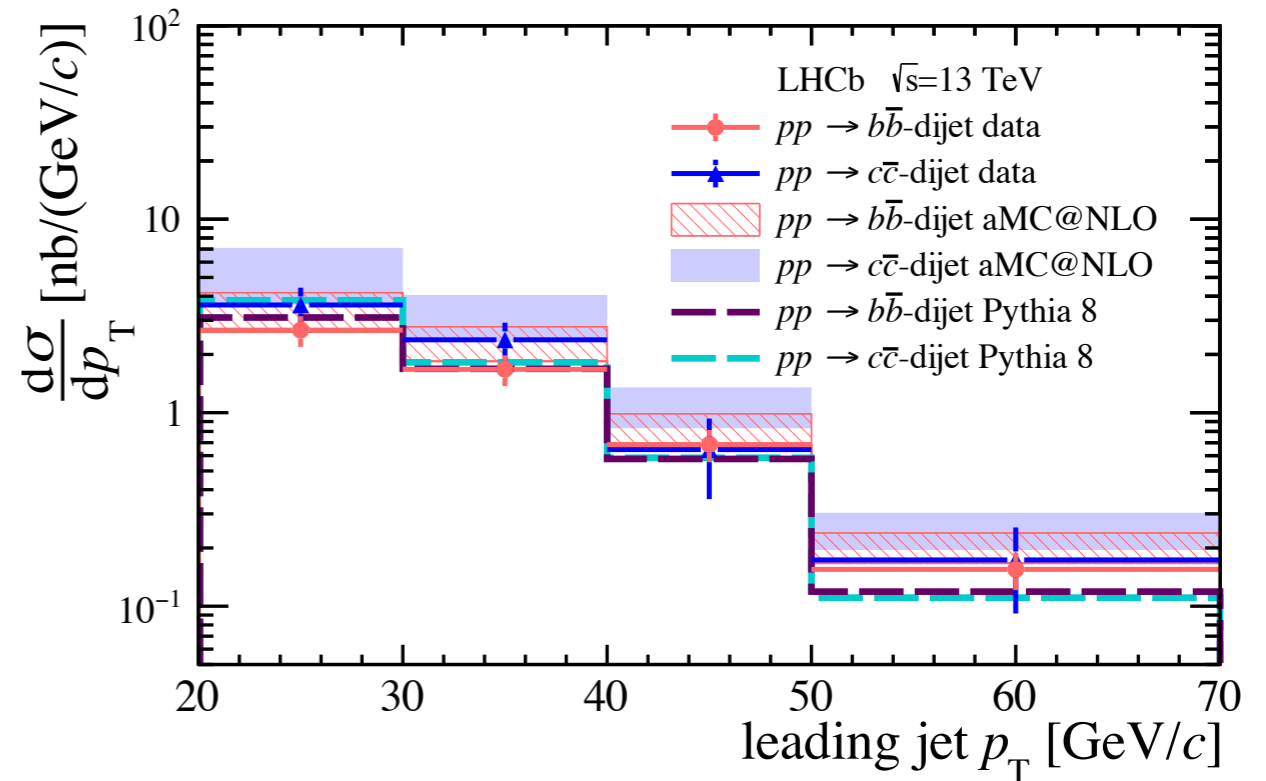
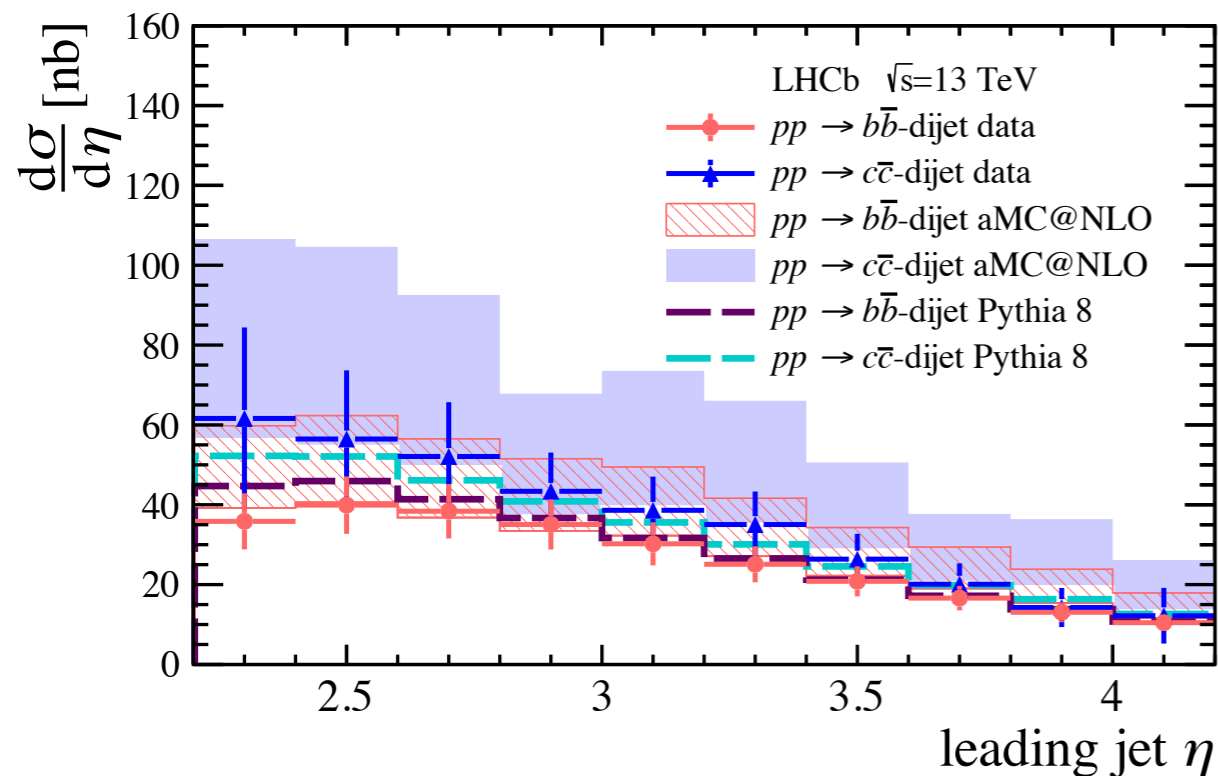
- Construct 2D (t_0, t_1) templates from simulation and fit to 2D (t_0, t_1) distribution in data

- Fits performed in bins of jet p_T



Forward $b\bar{b}$ - and $c\bar{c}$ -dijet cross sections in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV

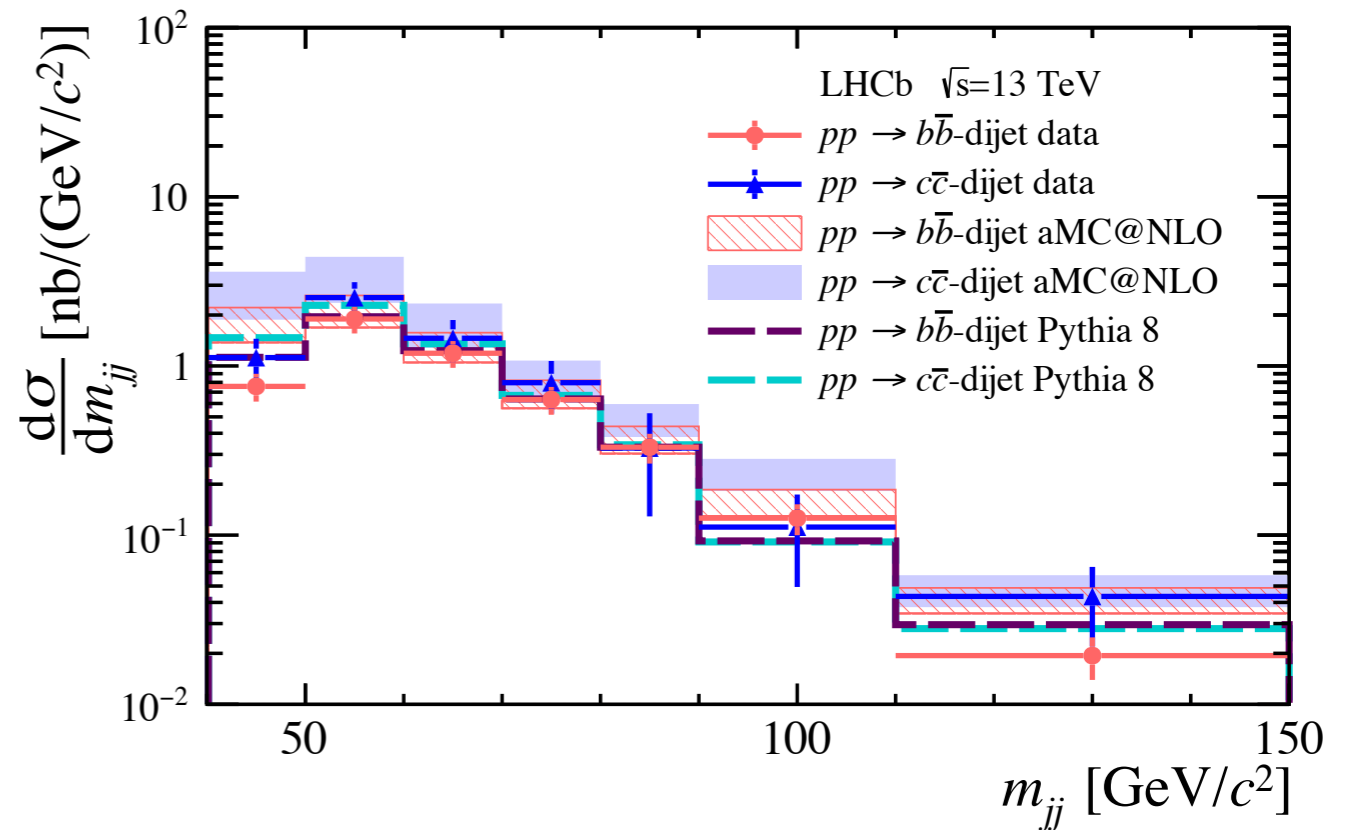
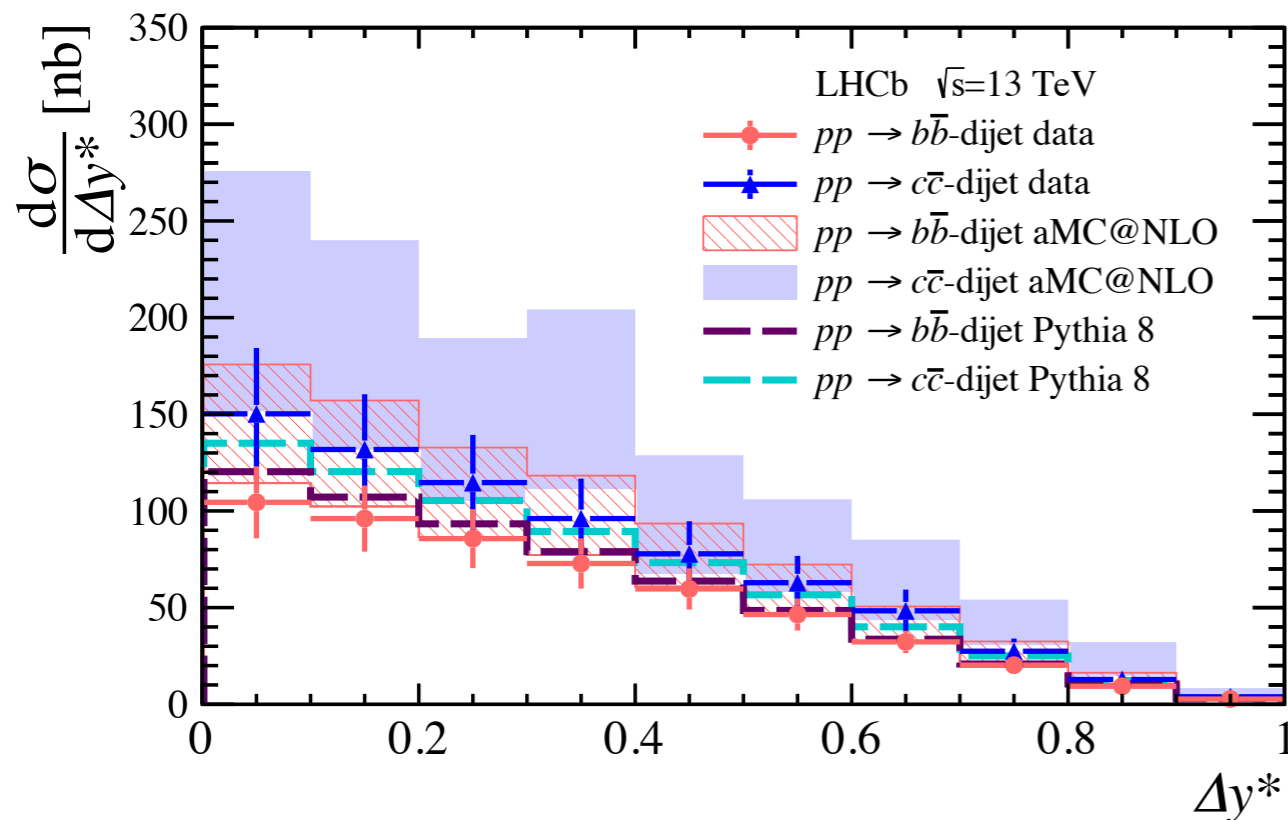
Differential cross sections: Leading jet η and p_T



- **First $c\bar{c}$ -dijet differential cross section measurement at a hadron collider!**
- LO pQCD predictions obtained with Pythia 8
- NLO pQCD predictions obtained with Madgraph5 aMC@NLO for matrix element computation + Pythia for parton showers

Forward $b\bar{b}$ - and $c\bar{c}$ -dijet cross sections in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV

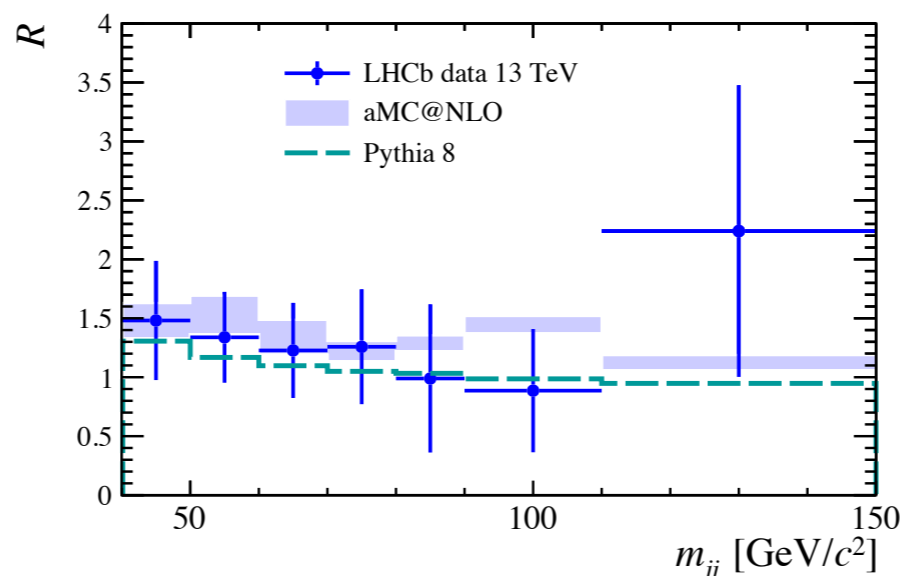
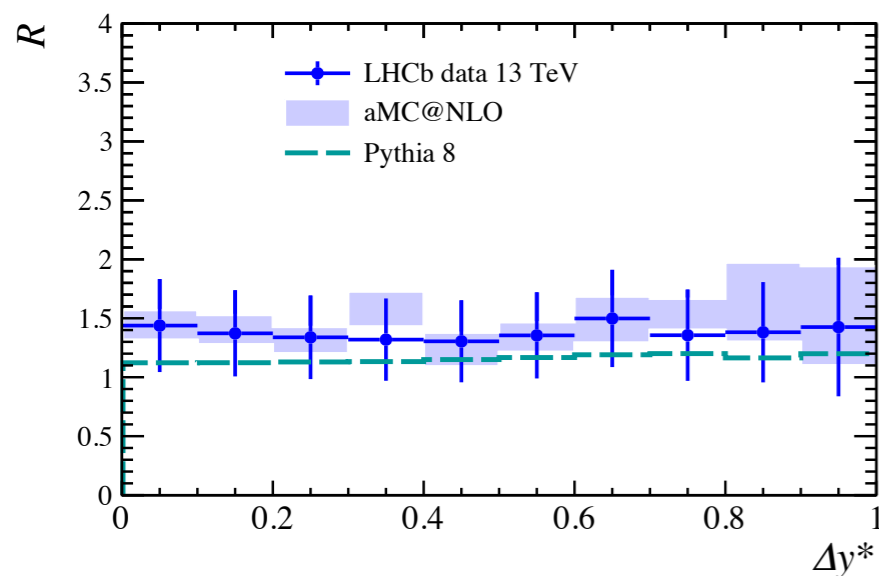
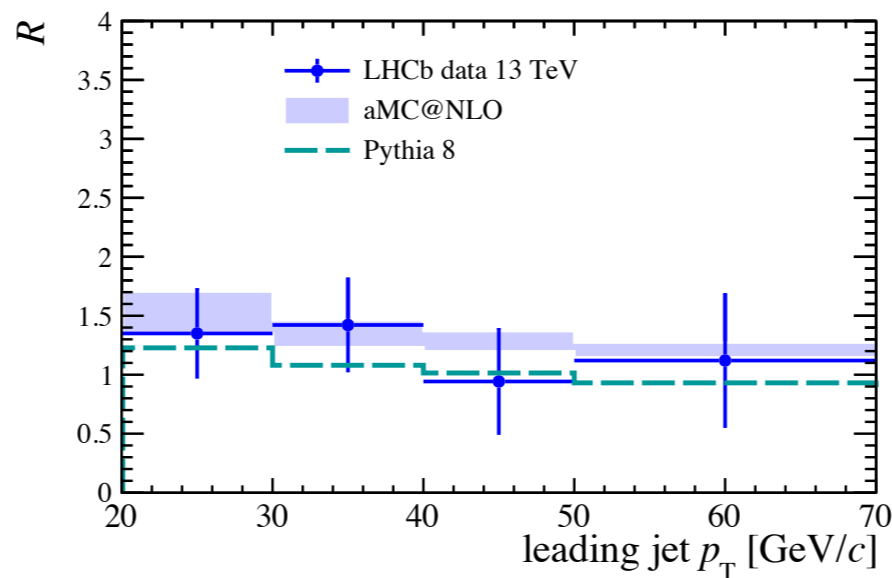
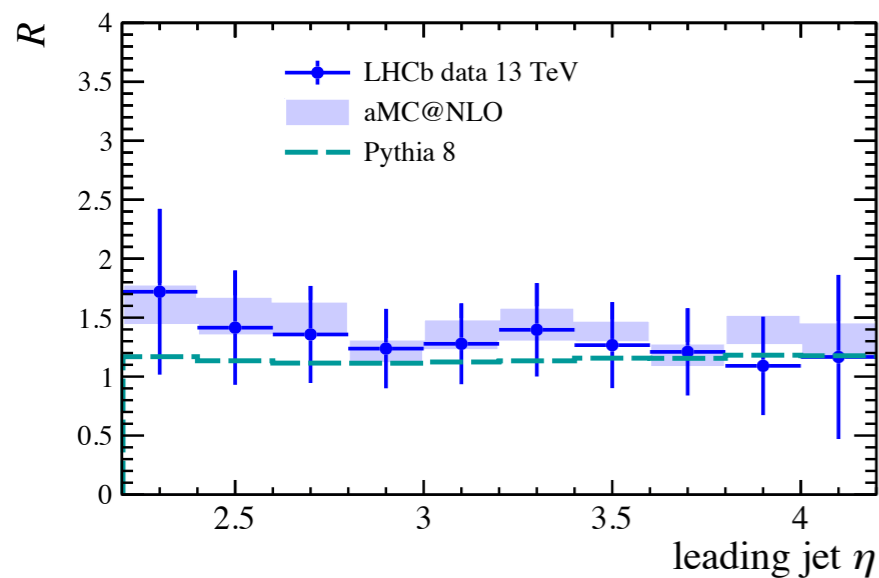
Differential cross sections: Δy^* and m_{jj}



- Measurements are generally below the NLO pQCD theory predictions
- Theory uncertainties are dominated by the renormalization and factorization scale uncertainties at low m_{jj} and leading jet p_T

Forward $b\bar{b}$ - and $c\bar{c}$ -dijet cross sections in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV

$c\bar{c}$ to $b\bar{b}$ cross section ratios:

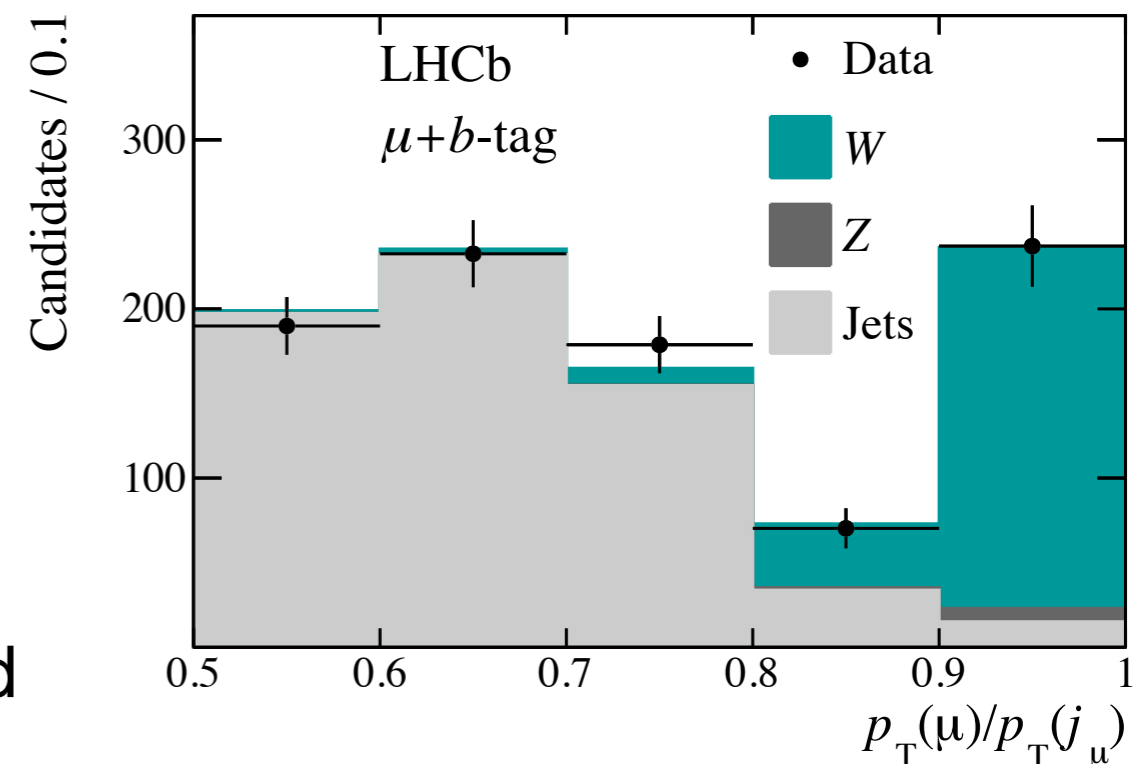


- Uncertainty on ISR and FSR contributes 2.4% systematic uncertainty to measurement
 - Correlated between kinematic bins
- Measured ratio $R = 1.37 \pm 0.27$
 - Much lower than expected inclusive $c\bar{c}/b\bar{b}$ ratio due to jet p_T cuts in fiducial region

Top production in the forward
region

Top production in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ and 8 TeV

- Enhancement of $t\bar{t}$ production in the forward region from qq and qg scattering can result in larger charge asymmetries, which could be sensitive to new physics
 - Forward top production dominated by $t\bar{t}$ pair production ($\sim 75\%$)
- First measurement of top production at LHCb performed with 3 fb^{-1} of data in the $\mu + b$ -jet final state
 - $50 < p_{\text{T}}(b\text{-jet}) < 100 \text{ GeV}$
 - $p_{\text{T}}(\mu + b\text{-jet}) > 20 \text{ GeV}$, $\Delta R(\mu, b\text{-jet}) > 0.5$
 - High- p_{T} muon ($p_{\text{T}} > 25 \text{ GeV}$) clustered into a jet, j_{μ} to distinguish dijet and W +jet events
 - No differentiation between single top and $t\bar{t}$ production



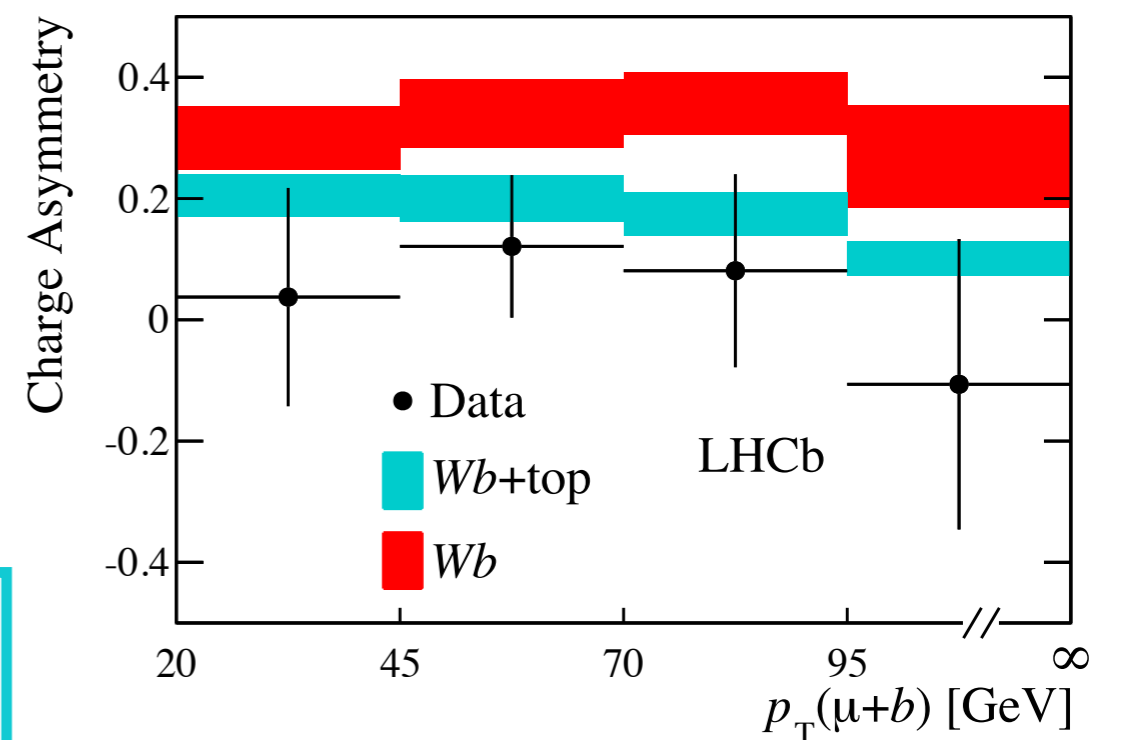
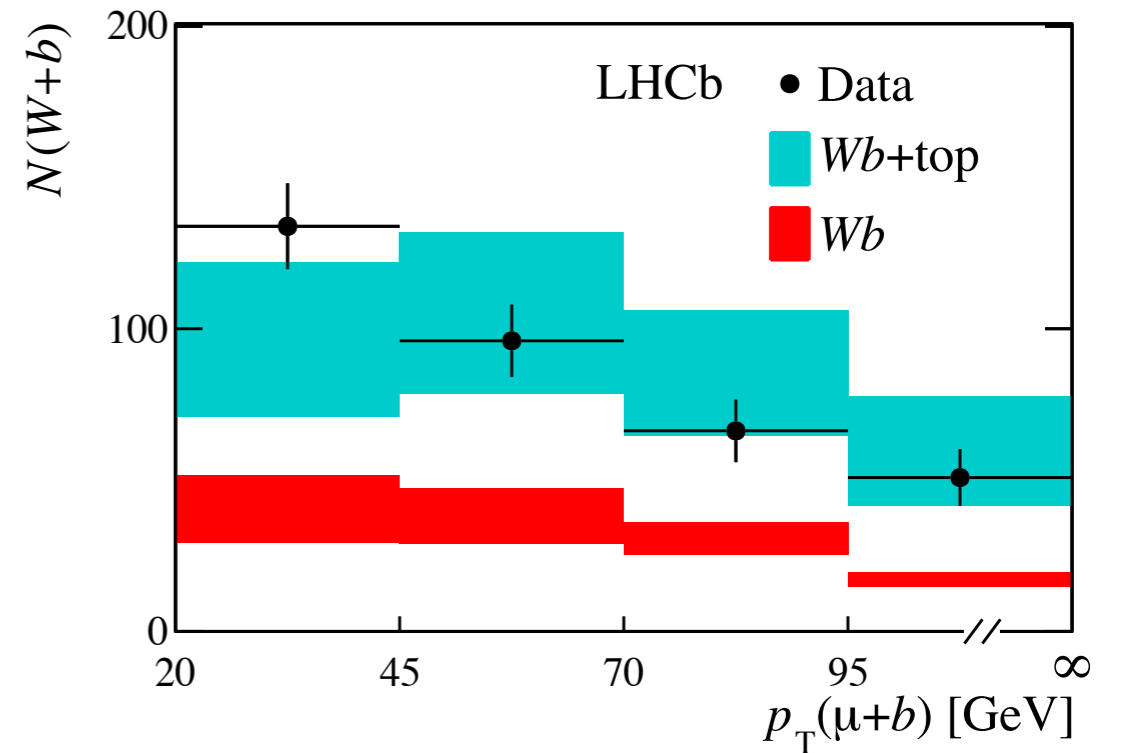
Top production in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ and 8 TeV

- Top yield determined as the excess of the observed yield relative to the direct $W+b$ prediction
- $W+b$ predictions determined from $\sigma(W+b)/\sigma(W+jet)$, which has smaller uncertainties than $\sigma(W+b)$ alone:

$$N(W+b)_{\text{theory}} = \left(\frac{\sigma(W+b)}{\sigma(W+jet)} \right)_{\text{theory}} \times N(W+jet)_{\text{measured}} \times \epsilon_{b\text{-tag}}$$

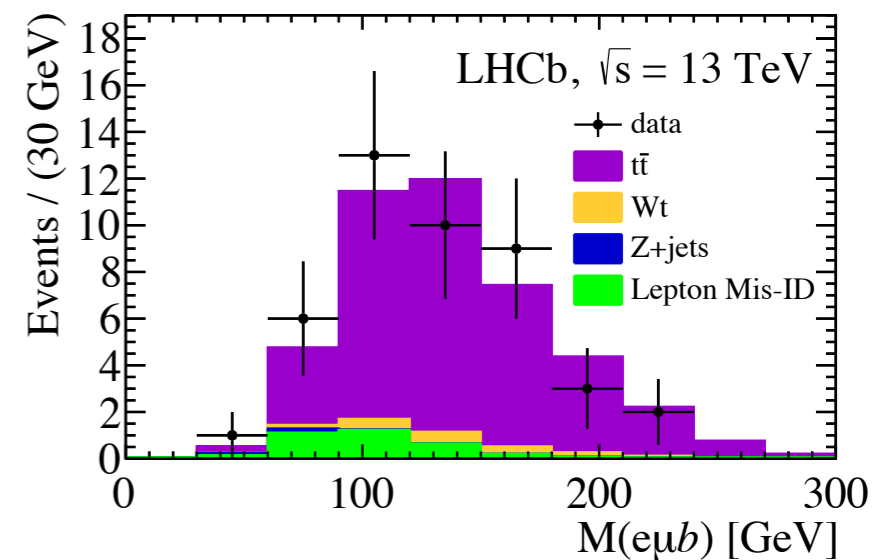
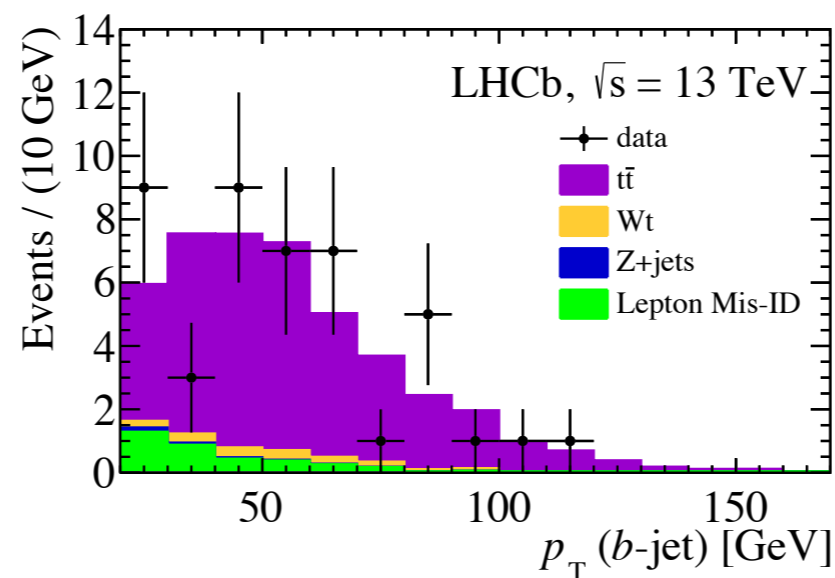
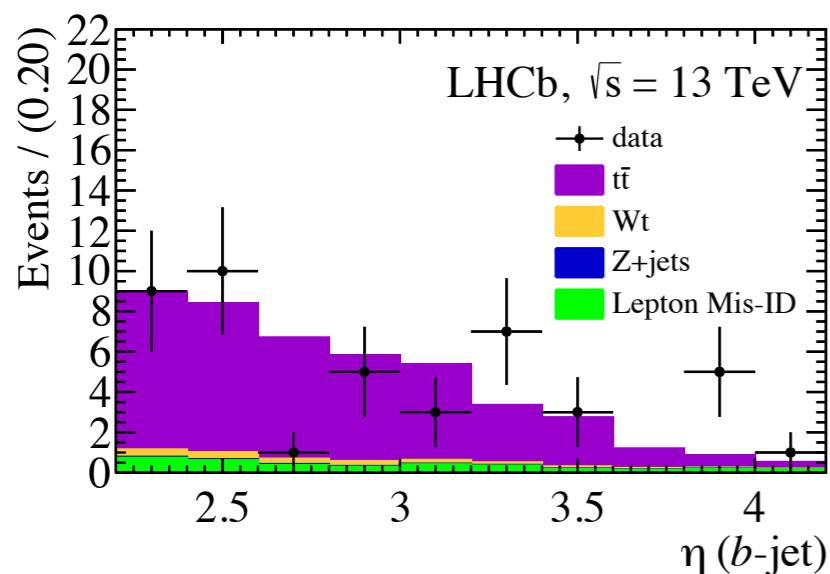
- Theory calculations are performed at NLO with MCFM and CT10 PDFs
 - Uncertainties 100% correlated across $p_T(\mu+b)$ bins

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(\text{top})[7 \text{ TeV}] &= 239 \pm 53 \text{ (stat)} \pm 33 \text{ (syst)} \pm 24 \text{ (theory) fb} \\ \sigma(\text{top})[8 \text{ TeV}] &= 289 \pm 43 \text{ (stat)} \pm 40 \text{ (syst)} \pm 29 \text{ (theory) fb} \end{aligned}$$



Forward top pair production in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV

- $t\bar{t}$ production measured in the $\mu e b$ final state with 1.93 fb^{-1} 2015+2016 dataset
 - Lepton requirements: $p_{\text{T}}(e/\mu) > 20 \text{ GeV}$, $2.2 < \eta(e/\mu) < 4.2$, $\Delta R(e,\mu) > 0.1$
 - b -jet requirements: SV-tagged, $p_{\text{T}}(\text{jet}) > 20 \text{ GeV}$, $2.2 < \eta(\text{jet}) < 4.2$, $\Delta R(e/\mu, \text{jet}) > 0.5$
- 44 events selected, 5.6 expected from background



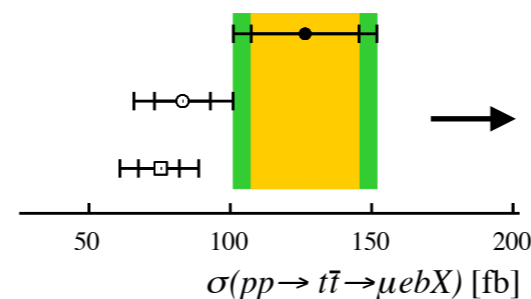
Forward top pair production in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV

- Measurement systematics impacted by theory uncertainties:
 - **W+top background** determined with POWHEG in the diagram removal scheme
 - **Reconstruction and identification efficiencies** determined after reweighting distributions from Pythia 8 in p_T and η to match NLO distributions from aMC@NLO

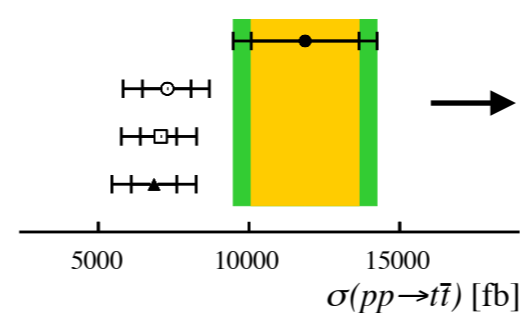
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electron reconstruction	2.8
muon identification	0.8
electron identification	1.3
jet reconstruction	1.6
event selection	4.0
jet tagging	10.0
background	5.1
resolution factor	0.5
total	12.7

LHCb
 $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV

data
 POWHEG
 aMC@NLO
 MCFM



Measurement in fiducial region of $\mu e b$ final state



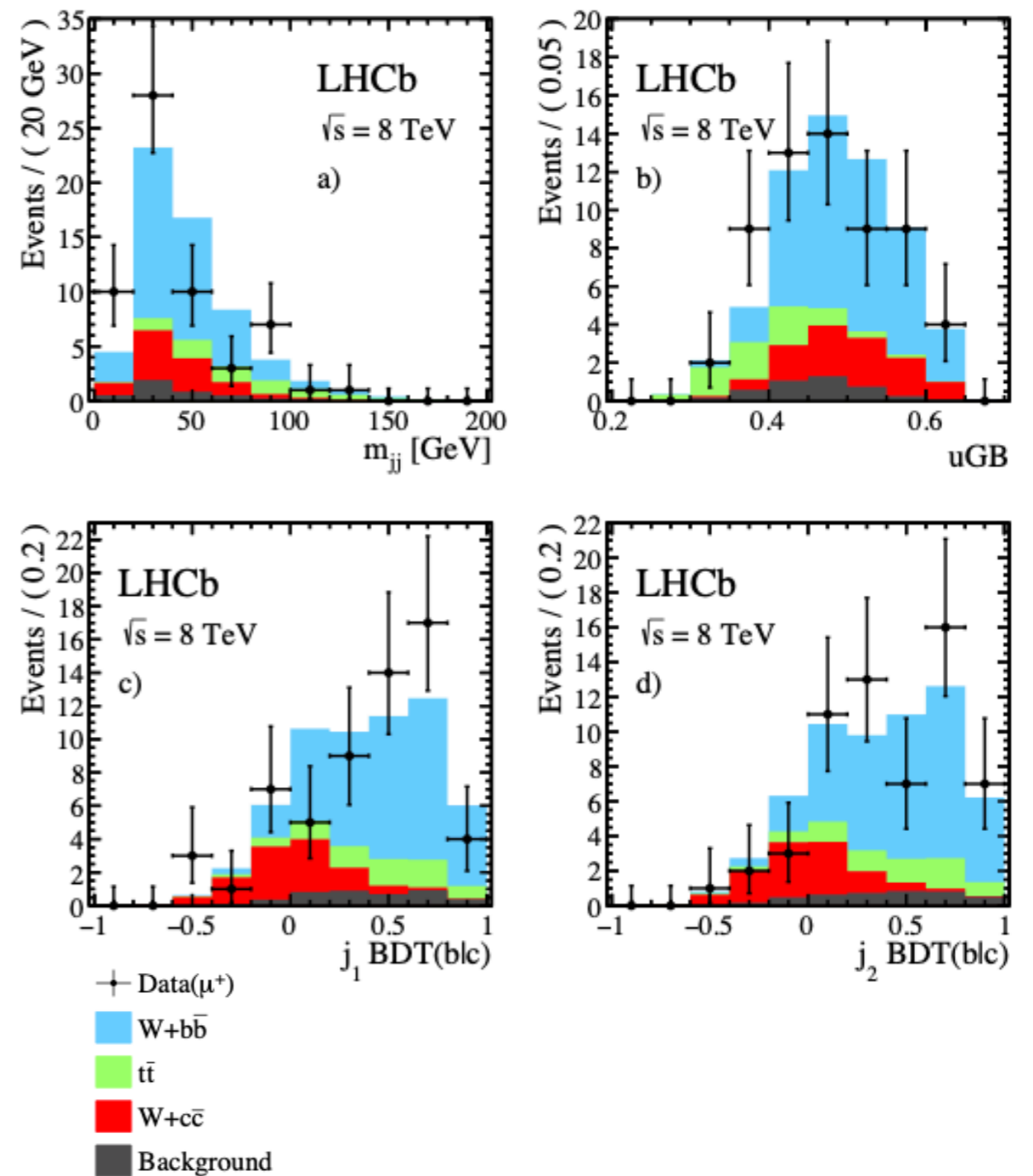
Extrapolation of measurement to full phase space using predictions from aMC@NLO

- Contributes another 1.5% uncertainty

(W/Z) + HF jet production

$t\bar{t}$, $W+b\bar{b}$ and $W+c\bar{c}$ cross sections in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV

- Events required to have a high- p_T lepton ($p_T > 20$ GeV) and two SV-tagged jets (jet $p_T > 12.5$ GeV)
- Simultaneous fit to four distributions performed to extract $t\bar{t}$, $W++b\bar{b}$, $W-+b\bar{b}$, $W++c\bar{c}$, and $W-+c\bar{c}$ yields:
 - Invariant mass of the two HF jets, m_{jj}
 - Response of multivariate classifier trained to distinguish $t\bar{t}$ and $W+b\bar{b}$ events, uGB
 - BDT(b|c) response for each HF jet

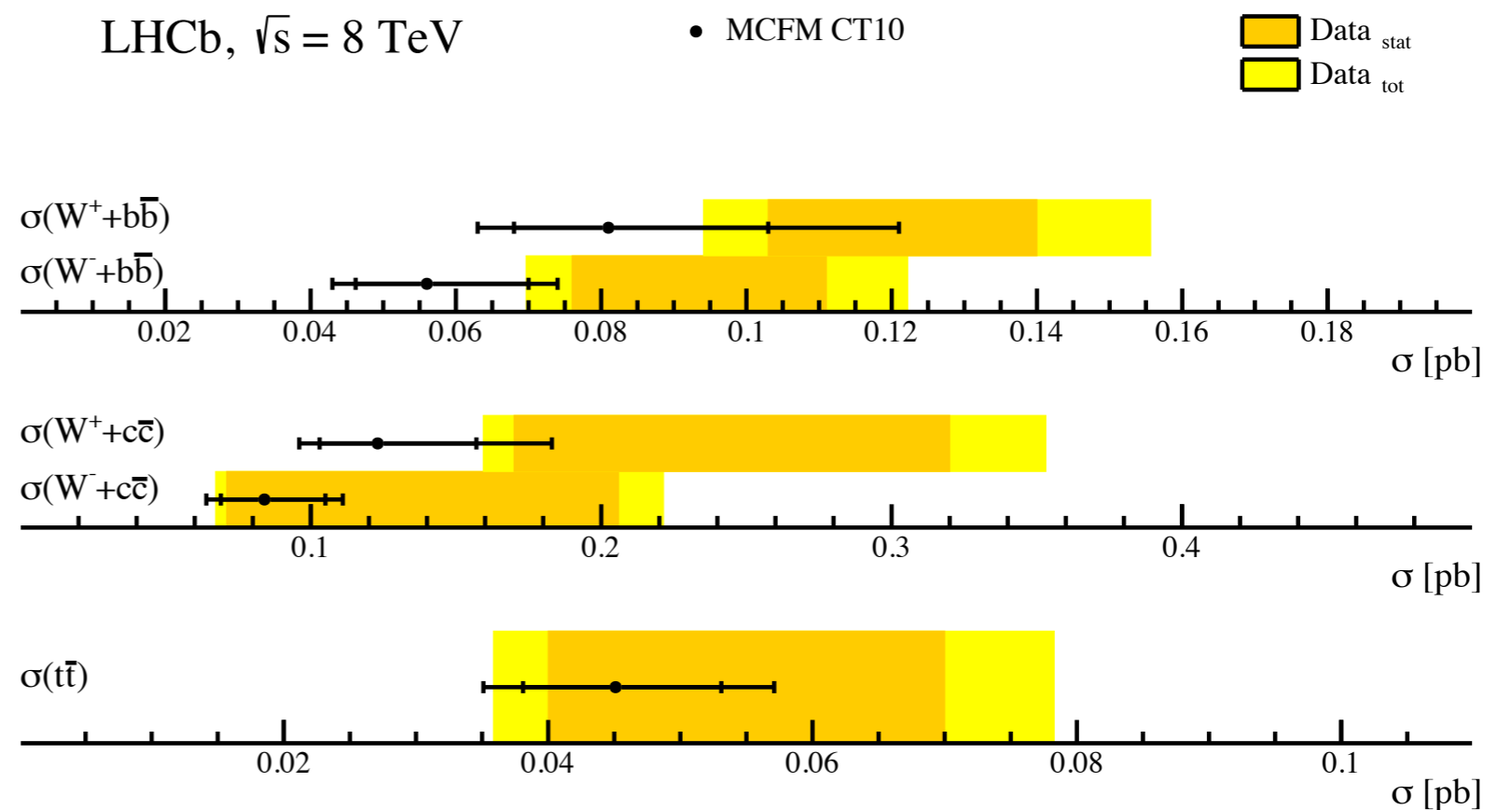


$t\bar{t}$, $W+b\bar{b}$ and $W+c\bar{c}$ cross sections in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV

- Background process yields ($Z+b\bar{b}$, $Z+c\bar{c}$, W +light jets, single top, ZZ , WZ) are fixed from NLO cross sections and allowed to vary within theoretical uncertainties, contribute 3-10% relative uncertainty on signal yields
 - Correlated between μ^\pm , e^\pm data samples

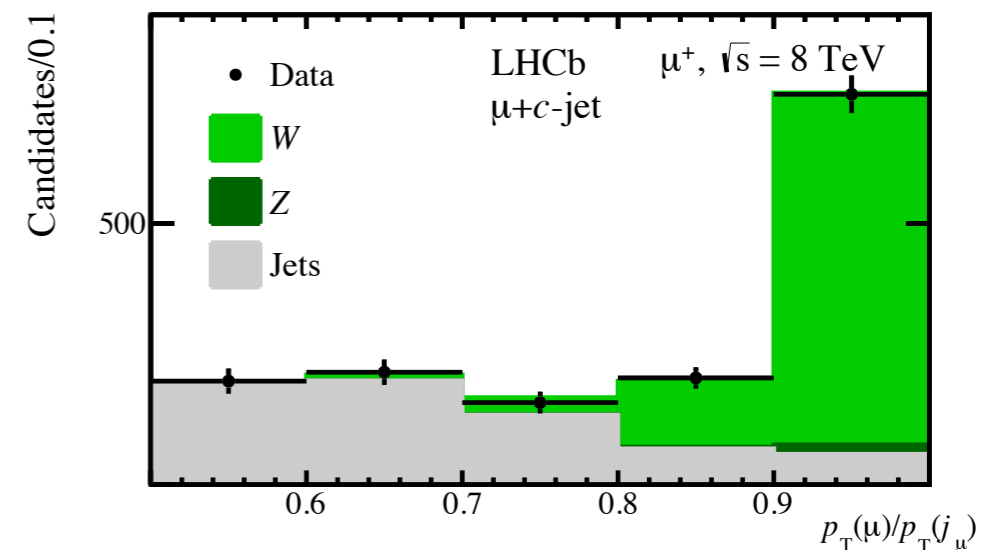
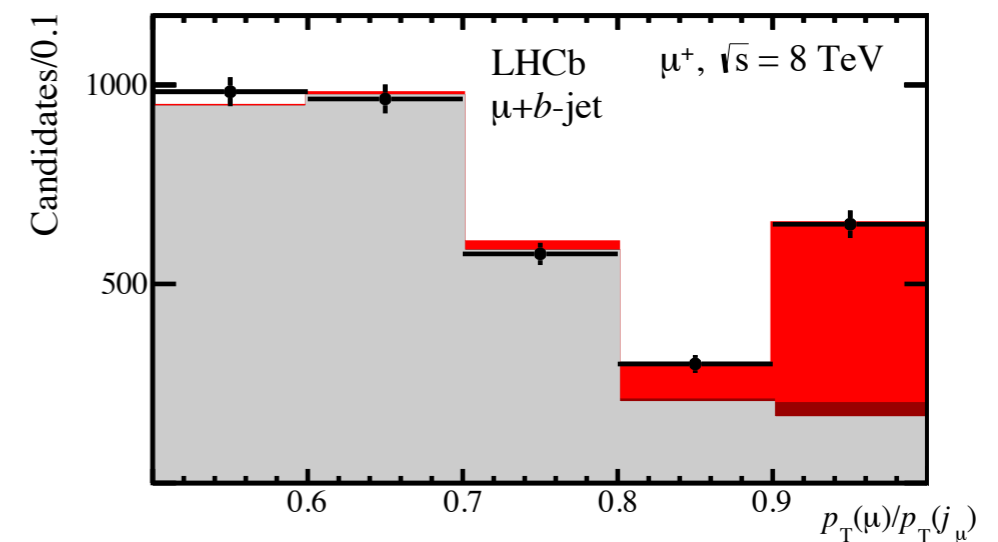
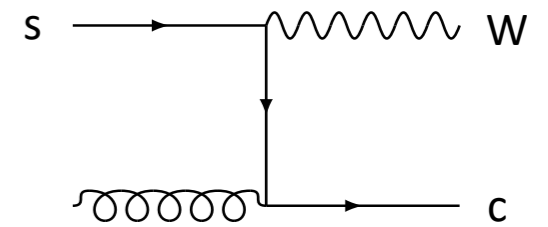
- Measured cross sections compared to NLO theory calculations using MCFM CT10 and the CT10 PDFs

- Inner bars on theory predictions are scale uncertainties

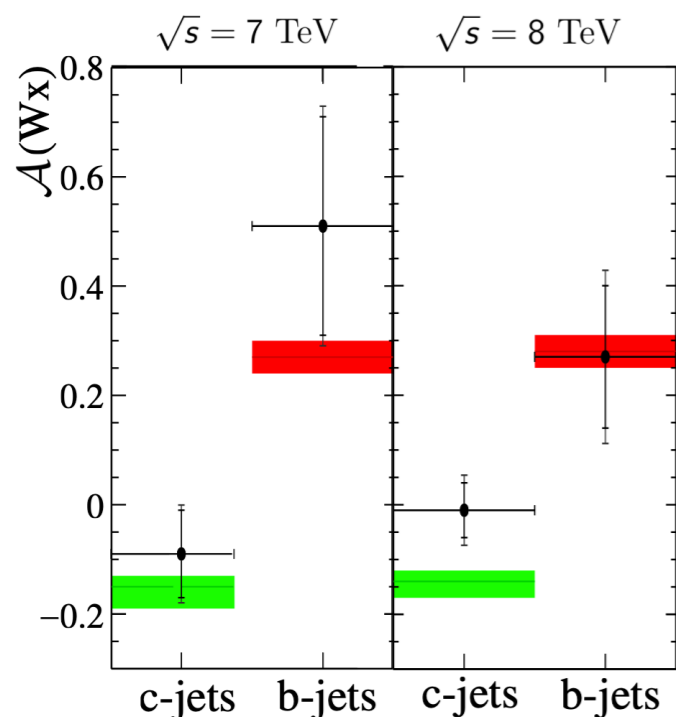
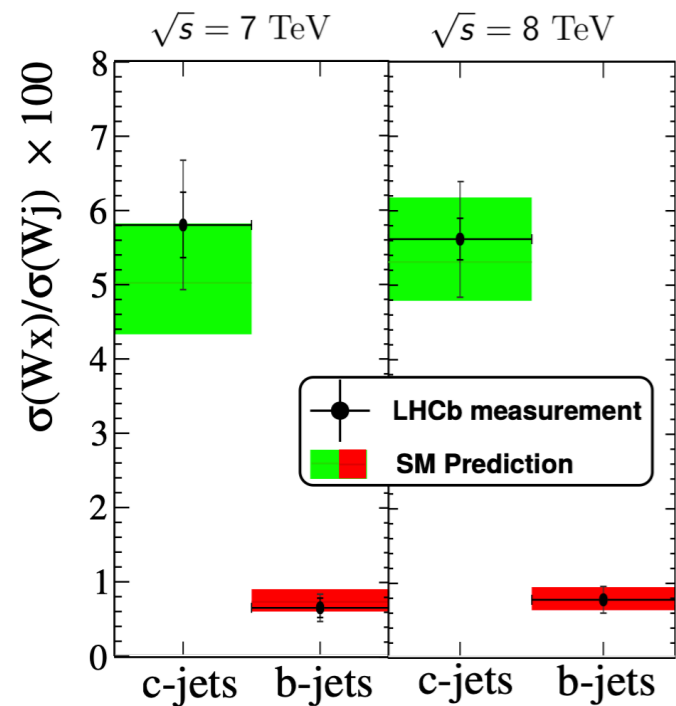


W+b and W+c production at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ and 8 TeV

- W+c production is sensitive to the strange quark parton distribution function at leading order
 - In the forward region, can constrain the strange PDF at high and low-x
- W+b production is sensitive to the probability of gluon splitting into $b\bar{b}$ pairs (four-flavor scheme) and the intrinsic b-quark content of the proton (five-flavor scheme)
- Events required to have a high- p_T muon ($p_T > 20$ GeV) and a well-separated jet ($p_T > 20$ GeV, $\Delta R(\mu, \text{jet}) > 0.5$)
 - b and c-tagged yields determined from template fit to 2D BDT distribution



W+b and W+c production at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ and 8 TeV

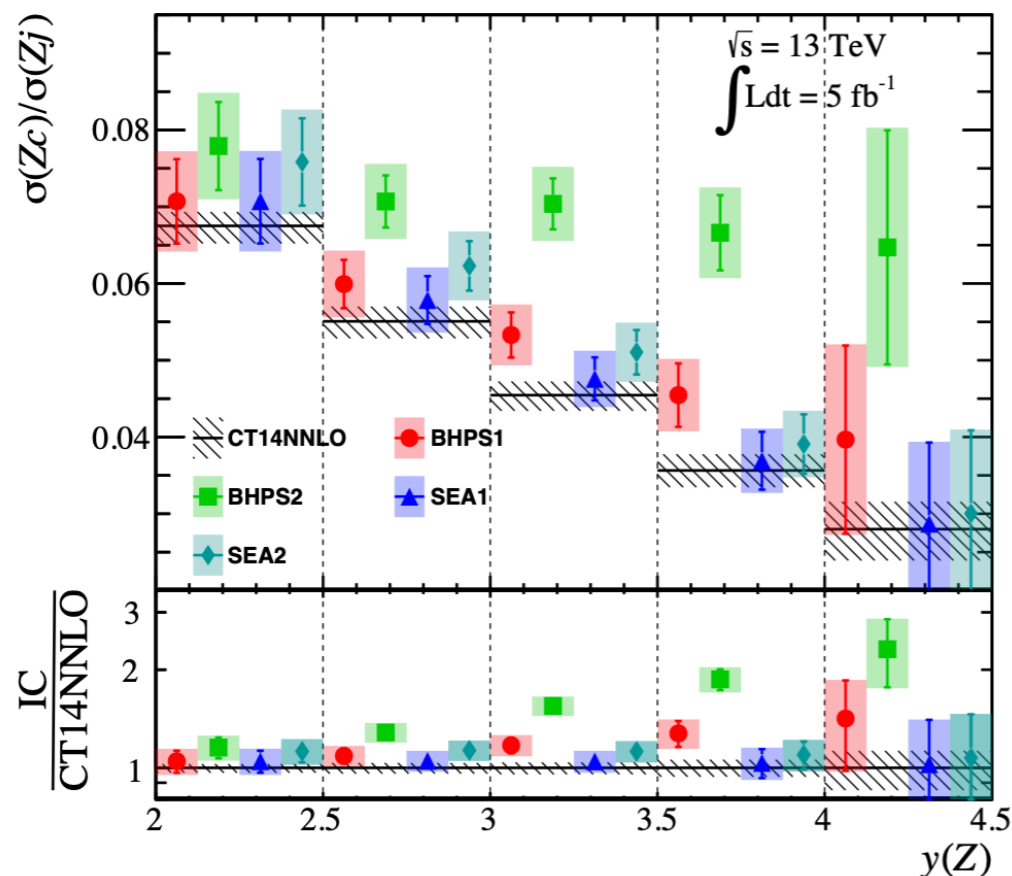


- SM predictions are calculated at NLO using MCFM and the CT10 PDFs
- $\sigma(W+b)/\sigma(W+jet)$ and $A(W+b)$ are consistent with MCFM calculations in the four-flavor scheme
 - Precision in data is not sufficient to completely rule out intrinsic b-quark content in the proton
- Discrepancy of $\sim 2\sigma$ observed between measured W+c charge asymmetry and SM prediction.
 - CT10 PDFs assume symmetric s and \bar{s} quark PDFs
 - Discrepancy could indicate charge asymmetry between s and \bar{s} in proton, or a larger than expected scattering off of strange quarks

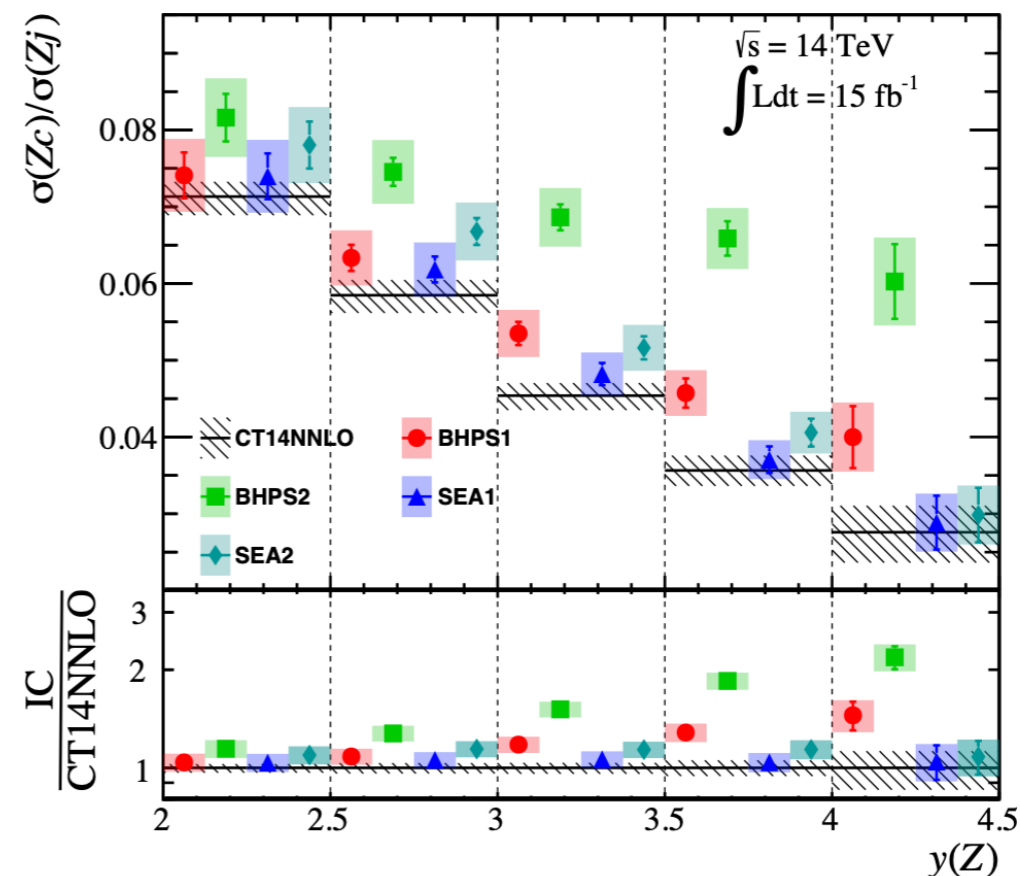
Probing intrinsic charm with $Z+c$

- Measurements of $\sigma(Z+c)/\sigma(Z+jet)$ at LHCb are sensitive to the intrinsic charm quark content in the proton
- Run 2 statistics sufficient to detect existence of **valence-like intrinsic charm** with $\langle x \rangle \gtrsim 1\%$
 - Measurement in progress!

Run 2 projections:



Run 3 projections:

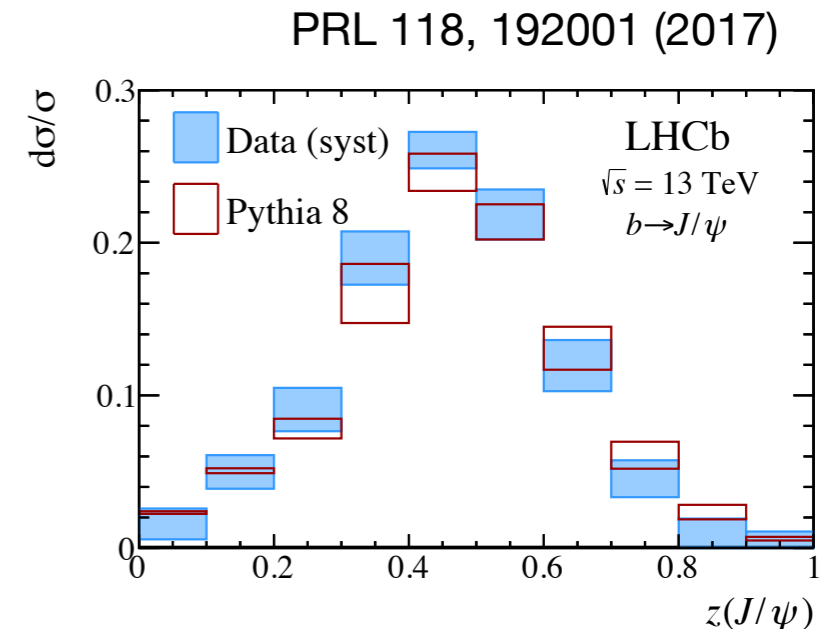
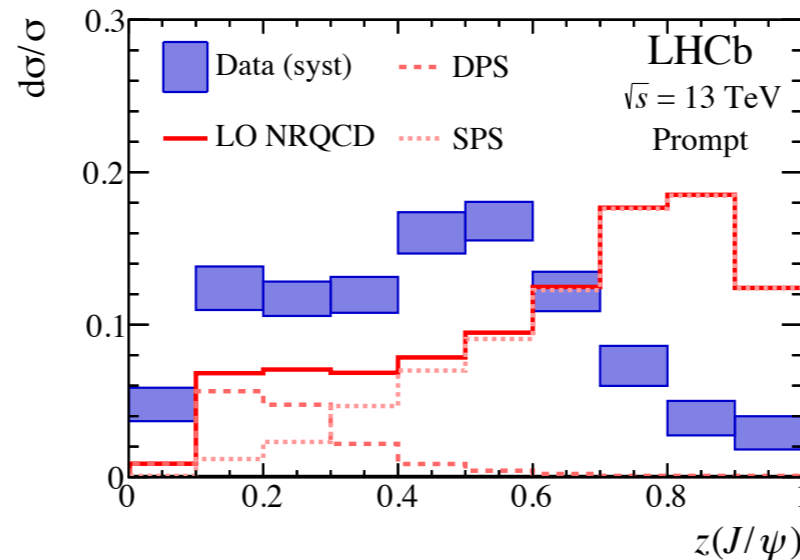


Heavy flavor jet substructure measurements

Ongoing measurements:

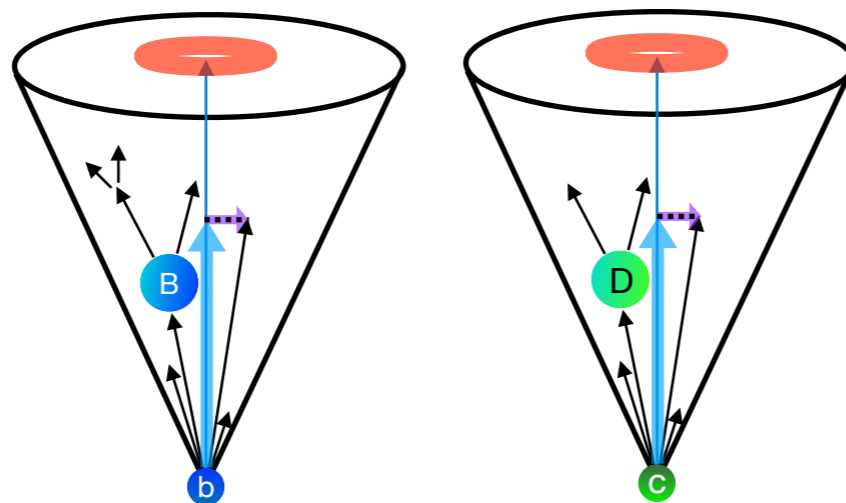
- Heavy quarkonia production in jets
 - $J/\psi, \Upsilon$

- Hadronization distributions in b- and c-tagged jets

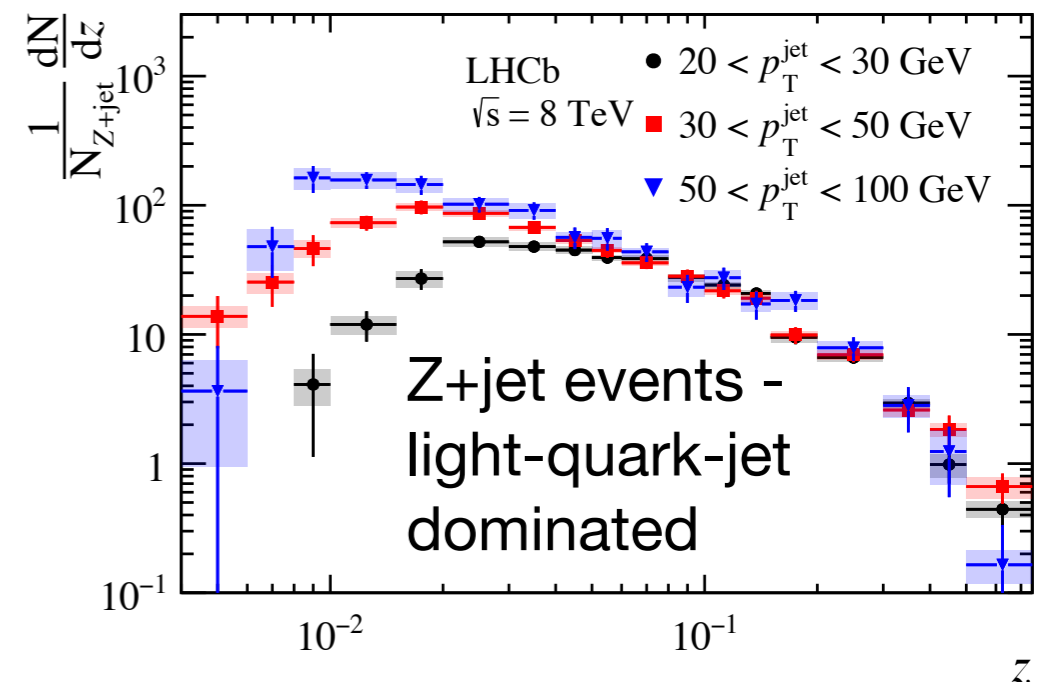


$$z = \frac{\mathbf{p}_{\text{jet}} \cdot \mathbf{p}_{\text{hadron}}}{|\mathbf{p}_{\text{jet}}|^2}$$

$$j_T = \frac{|\mathbf{p}_{\text{jet}} \times \mathbf{p}_{\text{hadron}}|}{|\mathbf{p}_{\text{jet}}|}$$



$$r = \sqrt{(\phi_{\text{jet}} - \phi_{\text{hadron}})^2 + (y_{\text{jet}} - y_{\text{hadron}})^2}$$



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Summary

- LHCb has performed several measurements of heavy flavor dijet production, top production, and (W/Z)+jet production
 - SV-tagging of heavy flavor jets is the dominant systematic uncertainty
- Measurements of $W+c$ and $Z+c$ in the forward region constrain the strange and intrinsic charm PDFs, respectively, at high and low x
- With increasing interest in studies of heavy flavor jet substructure and fragmentation:

For inclusive b- and c-jet tagging: How can we use measurements of heavy flavor jet substructure to improve jet tagging techniques?

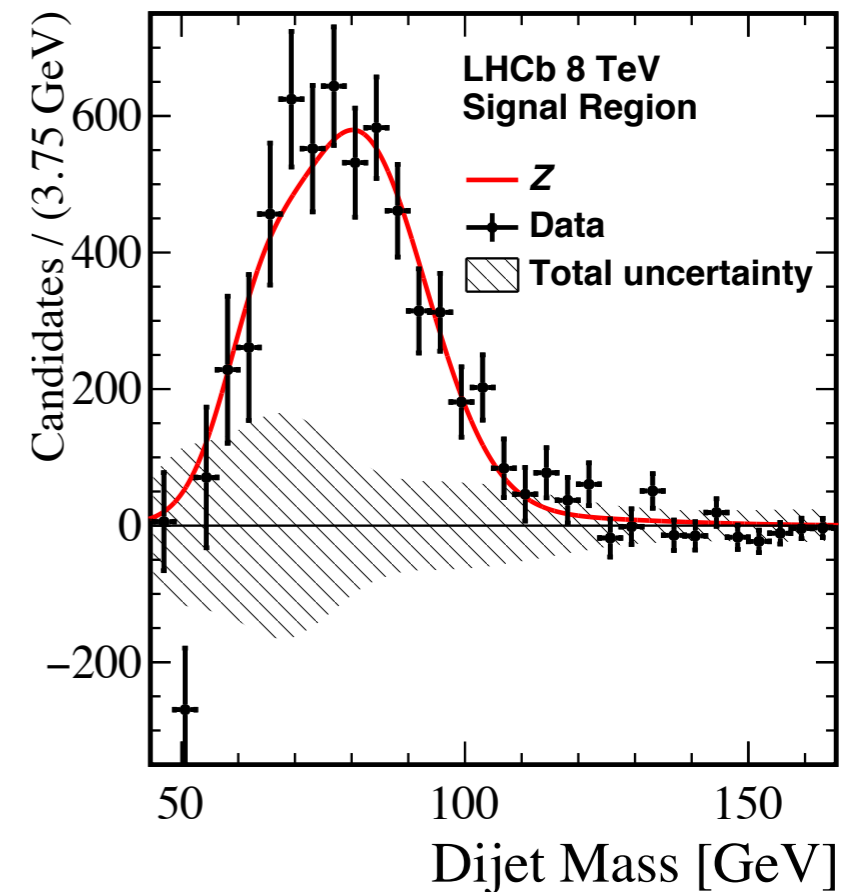
For heavy flavor jet substructure measurements:

- How can we check/correct for biases introduced by ML jet tagging techniques, or develop tagging techniques independent of jet substructure variables?
- Advantages/disadvantages of using SV-tagged jets vs jets tagged with fully reconstructed heavy flavor hadrons?

Backup

Z → b \bar{b} in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV

- Z → b \bar{b} is an important background for new physics searches
- Jets required to be SV-tagged, have $p_T > 20$ GeV, $45 < m_{jj} < 165$ GeV, and $2.2 < \eta_{\text{jet}} < 4.2$
- Uniform Gradient Boost BDT is used to discriminate Z(->b \bar{b}) + jet events from QCD multijet events
- Systematics impacted by theory uncertainties:
 - Recoil jet selection efficiency corrected at NLO using Z → b \bar{b} events produced with aMC@NLO + Pythia for parton showers, 1.8% systematic
 - Fit repeated with subdominant backgrounds t \bar{t} and W → qq' fixed to SM predictions, 1.9% systematic



measured:

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow Z)\mathcal{B}(Z \rightarrow b\bar{b}) = 332 \pm 46 \pm 59 \text{ pb}$$

theory:

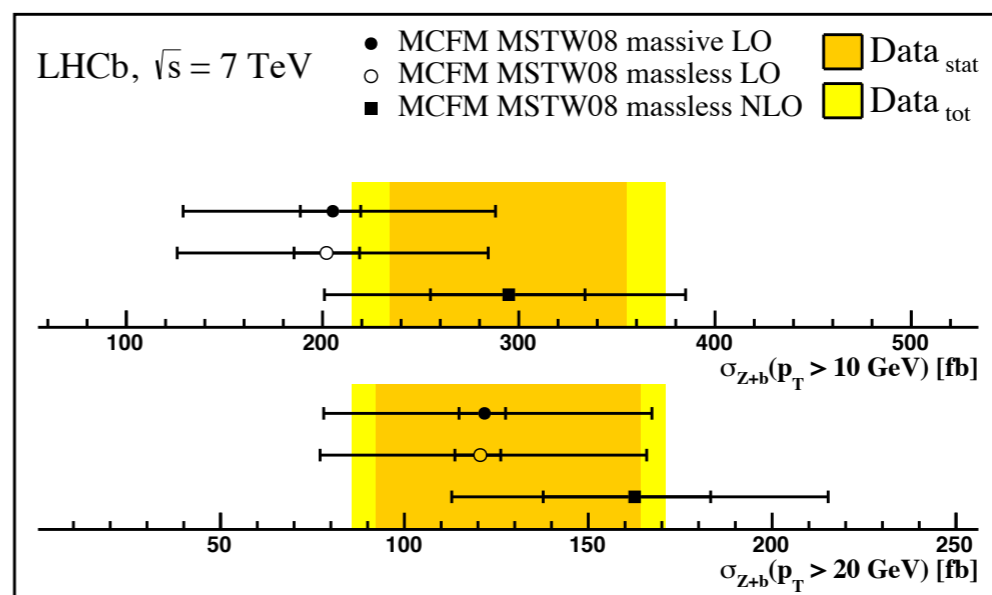
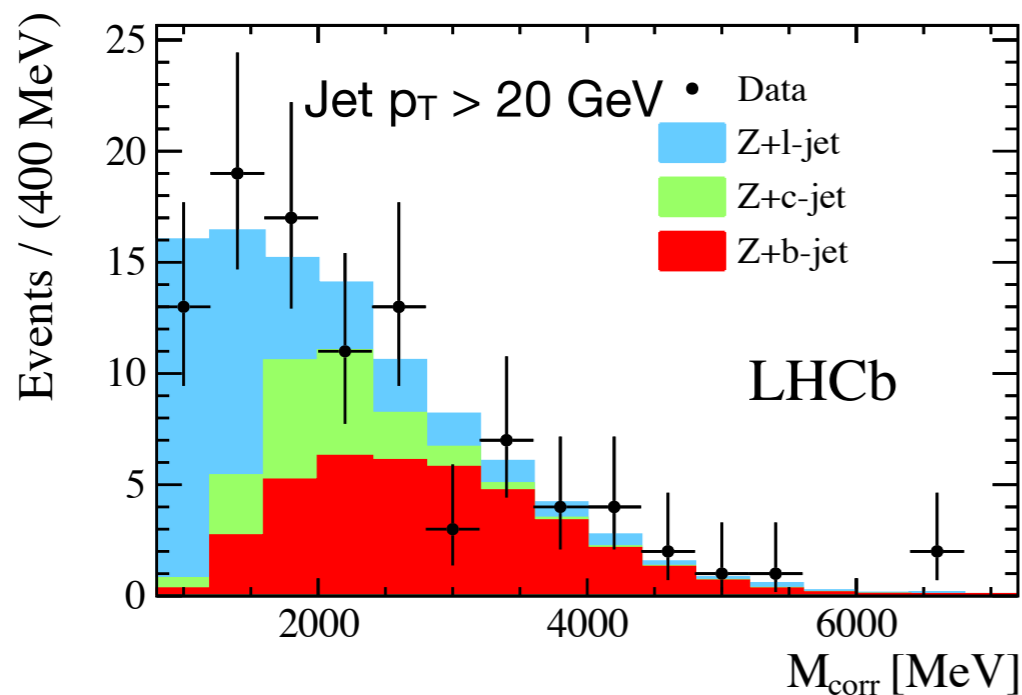
$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow Z)\mathcal{B}(Z \rightarrow b\bar{b}) = 272_{-12}^{+9}(\text{scale}) \pm 5(\text{PDFs}) \text{ pb}$$

Z+b-jet cross section at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV

- Sensitive to $g \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ splitting, intrinsic b quark content in the proton, and an important background to constrain for Higgs and BSM studies
- Measured at LHCb with 1 fb^{-1} of data, reconstructed Z boson with a jet tagged by the TOPO SV algorithm
 - $2 < \eta(\mu) < 4.5$, $p_{\text{T}}(\mu) > 20 \text{ GeV}$, $60 < M(\mu^+\mu^-) < 120 \text{ GeV}$, $2 < \eta(\text{jet}) < 4.5$
- Measurement performed in two bins of jet p_{T} :

Jet $p_{\text{T}} > 10 \text{ GeV}$: $\sigma(\text{Z}/\gamma^*(\mu^+\mu^-)+\text{b-jet}) = 295 \pm 60 \text{ (stat)} \pm 51 \text{ (syst)} \pm 10 \text{ (lumi) fb}$

Jet $p_{\text{T}} > 20 \text{ GeV}$: $\sigma(\text{Z}/\gamma^*(\mu^+\mu^-)+\text{b-jet}) = 128 \pm 36 \text{ (stat)} \pm 22 \text{ (syst)} \pm 5 \text{ (lumi) fb}$



$b\bar{b}$ charge asymmetry in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV

- Precision measurements of charge asymmetries can probe BSM physics
- b-jets are tagged with the TOPO algorithm, $2 < \eta_{\text{jet}} < 4$, $E_T > 20$ GeV, $\Delta\phi > 2.6$
- Charge tagging performed by requiring one of the tracks in the SV to be a muon
- Measurements consistent with SM predictions:

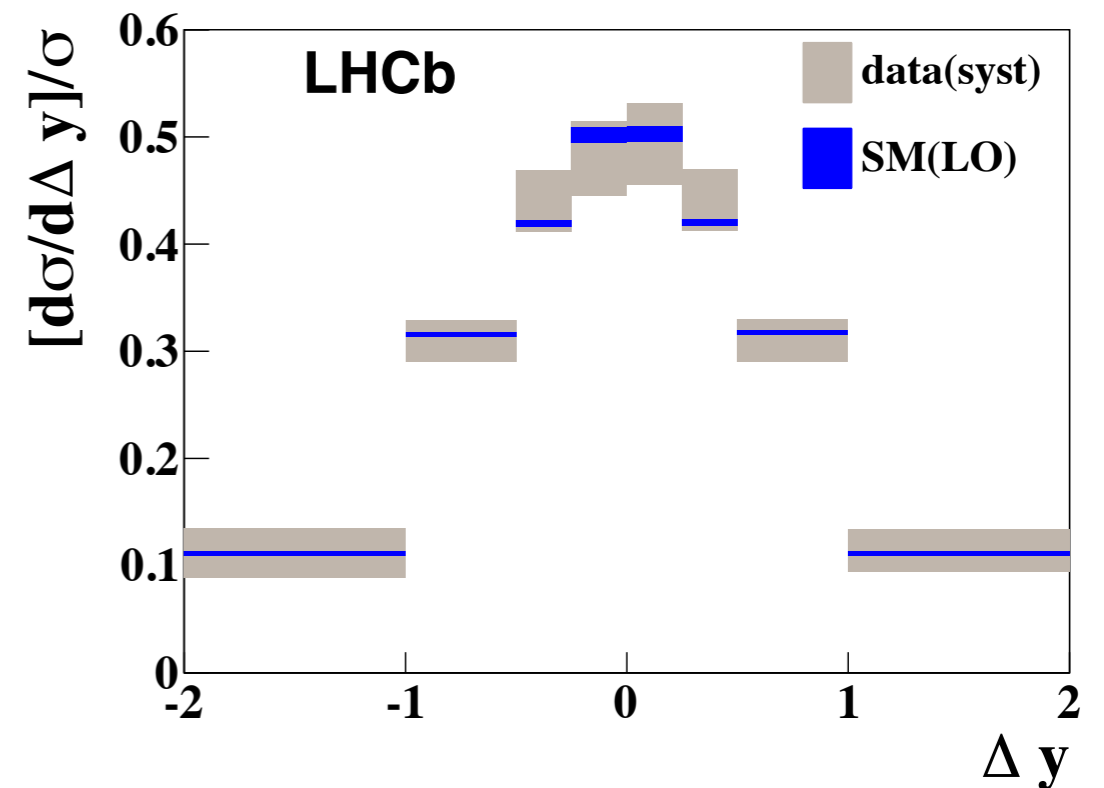
$$A_C^{b\bar{b}}(40 < M_{b\bar{b}} < 75 \text{ GeV}/c^2) = 0.4 \pm 0.4 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.3 \text{ (syst)}\%$$

$$A_C^{b\bar{b}}(75 < M_{b\bar{b}} < 105 \text{ GeV}/c^2) = 2.0 \pm 0.9 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.6 \text{ (syst)}\%$$

$$A_C^{b\bar{b}}(M_{b\bar{b}} > 105 \text{ GeV}/c^2) = 1.6 \pm 1.7 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.6 \text{ (syst)}\%$$

$$A_C^{b\bar{b}} \equiv \frac{N(\Delta y > 0) - N(\Delta y < 0)}{N(\Delta y > 0) + N(\Delta y < 0)}$$

$$|\Delta y| = |y_b| - |y_{\bar{b}}|$$



TOPO algorithm as a b-jet tagger

- BDT used in the LHCb trigger to identify secondary vertices consistent with b-hadron decays
- Builds 2, 3, and 4-track SVs

TOPO BDT inputs:

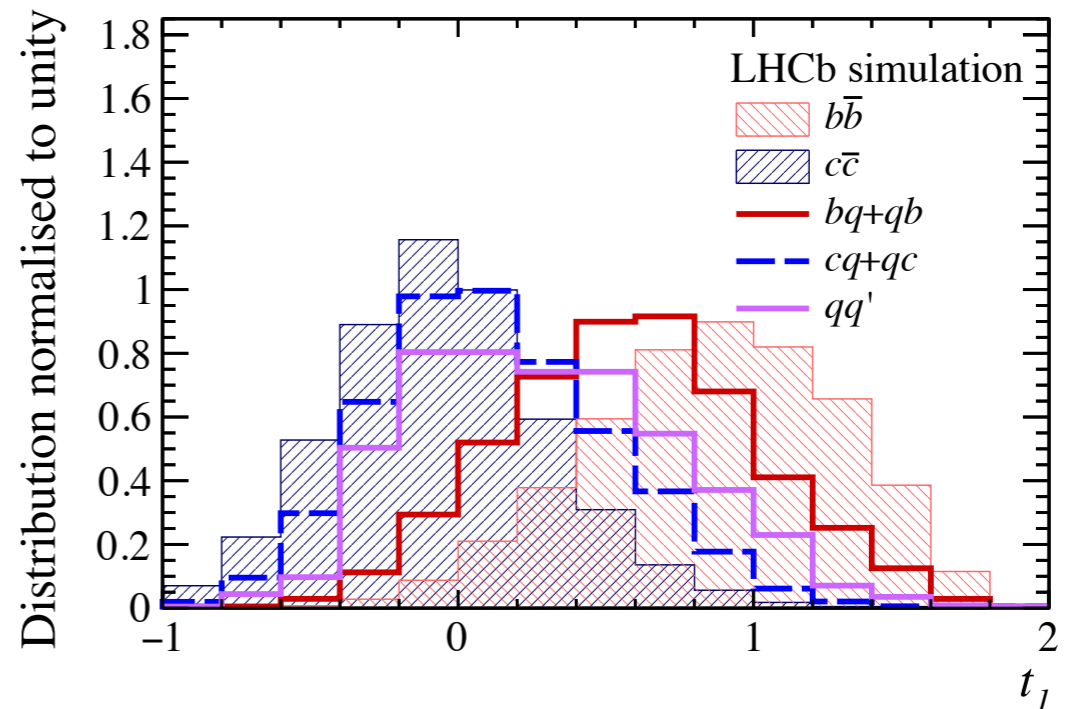
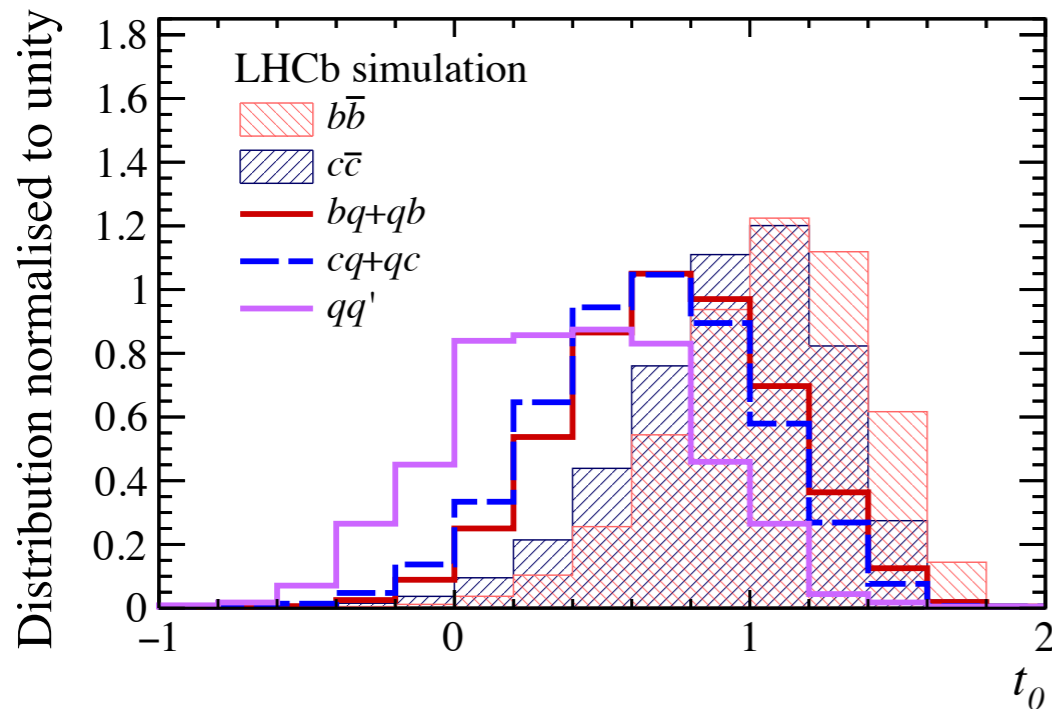
- SV mass
- SV corrected mass
- Sum of the p_T of the SV tracks
- Maximum distance of closest approach between the SV tracks
- Sum of the difference in χ^2 when performing a PV fit with and without each track in the SV
- SV flight distance χ^2
- Minimum p_T of the SV tracks

Also input to BDTs for the SV-tagger algorithm

t_0 and t_1 templates from simulation

$$t_0 = \text{BDT}_{bc|udsg}(\text{jet } 0) + \text{BDT}_{bc|udsg}(\text{jet } 1)$$

$$t_1 = \text{BDT}_{b|c}(\text{jet } 0) + \text{BDT}_{b|c}(\text{jet } 1)$$



- $b\bar{b}$, $c\bar{c}$, qq' templates constructed from simulated events
- bq , qb , cq , qc templates constructed from convolutions of single-jet 2D BDT templates ($\text{BDT}(bc|udsg)$, $\text{BDT}(b|c)$)
- Templates constructed for the following bins of $[\text{jet } 0, \text{jet } 1]$ p_T : $[20,30]$ GeV, $[30,40]$ GeV, $[40,50]$ GeV, $[50,60]$ GeV, and >60 GeV