

Fast b -tagging at the high-level trigger of the ATLAS experiment

Fast Machine Learning for Science

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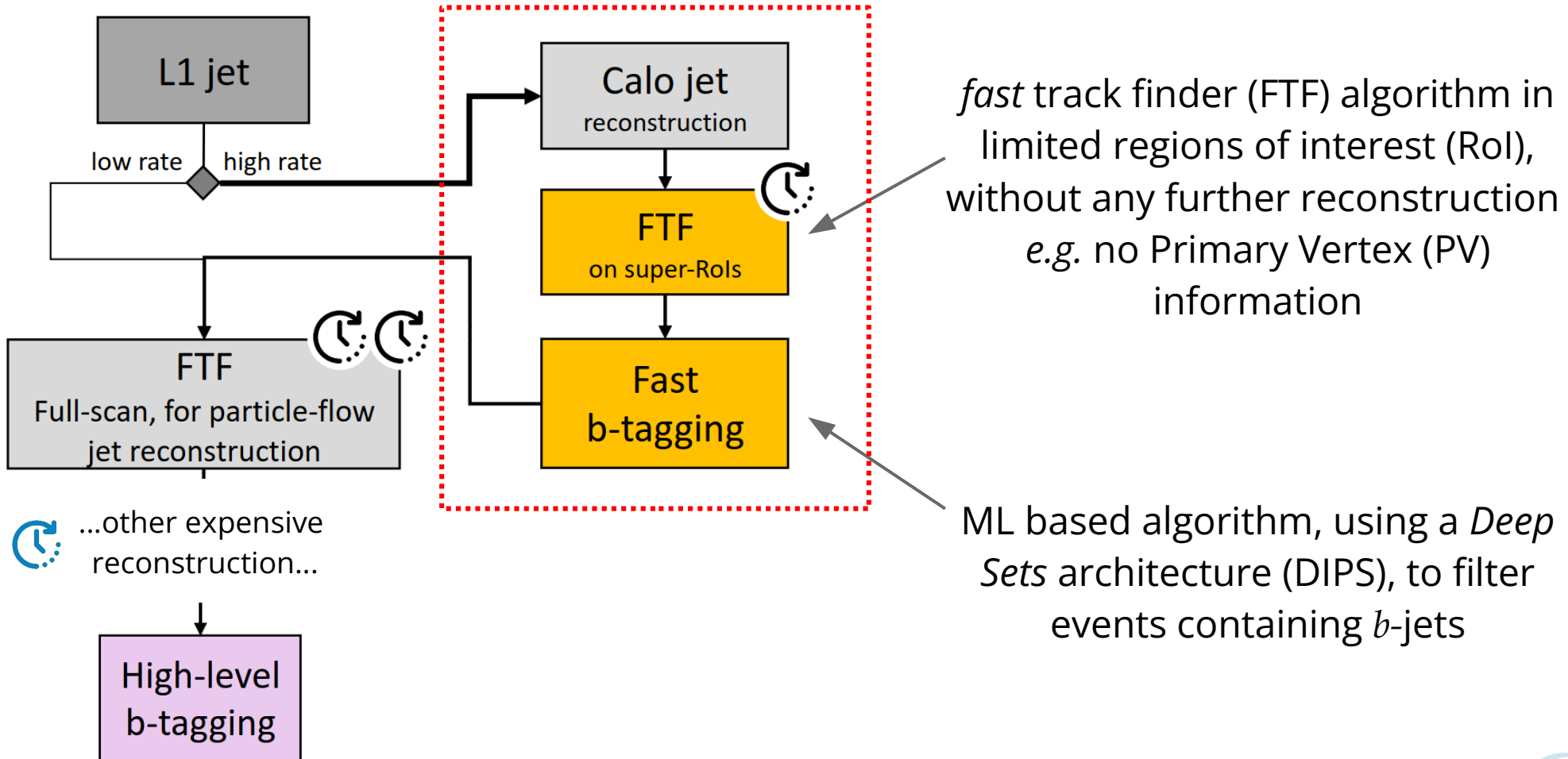
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Motivation for “fast b -tagging”

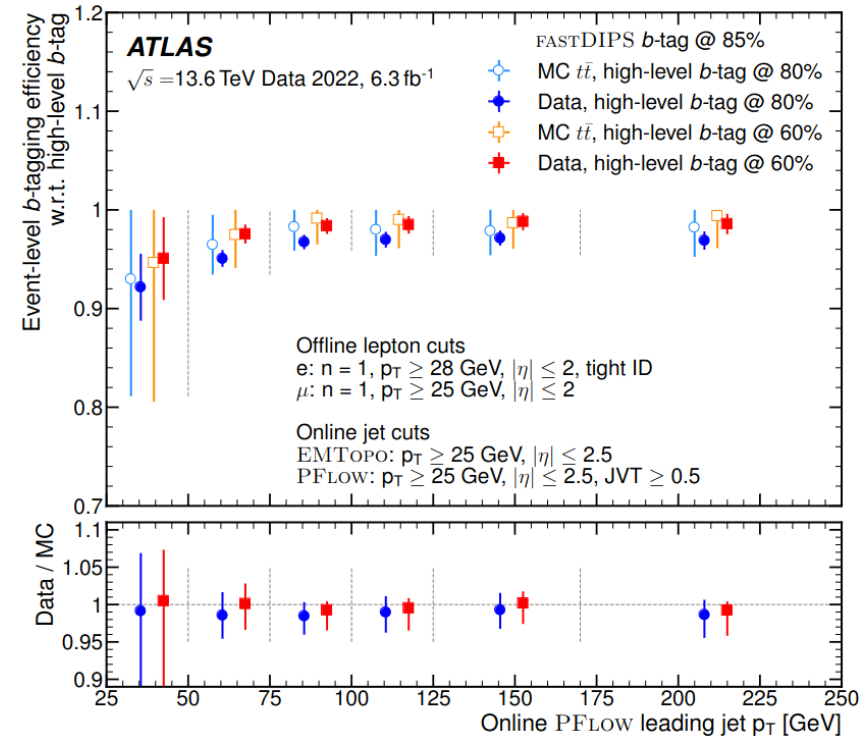
- The identification of b -jets is necessary to trigger many interesting signatures
 - **Essential** for fully-hadronic final states of major interest ($H \rightarrow 2b$, $HH \rightarrow 4b$, new physics...)
- For the start of LHC Run 3, many novelties implemented in the high-level trigger (HLT)
 - Full detector acceptance (*Full scan*) tracking was a major upgrade for b -jet selections
 - Particle Flow (*PFlow*) reconstruction \Rightarrow stronger performances 
 - CPU intensive \Rightarrow limited rate 
- To fit b -jet selections in the trigger menu, within the CPU constraints, needed to reduce the input rate to *Full scan* tracking
 - **Fast b -tagging** \Rightarrow machine learning (ML) based low precision filter for jet tagging (*much faster* than tracking) 

The *preselection* strategy



Preselection performance

- The preselection performances have been studied in Monte Carlo (MC) simulations, and then validated with Data
 - High efficiency w.r.t. full-trigger decision
 - Excellent agreement between data and MC
- The impact on physics of interest (e.g. $HH \rightarrow 4b$) is negligible while strongly downsizing background rates



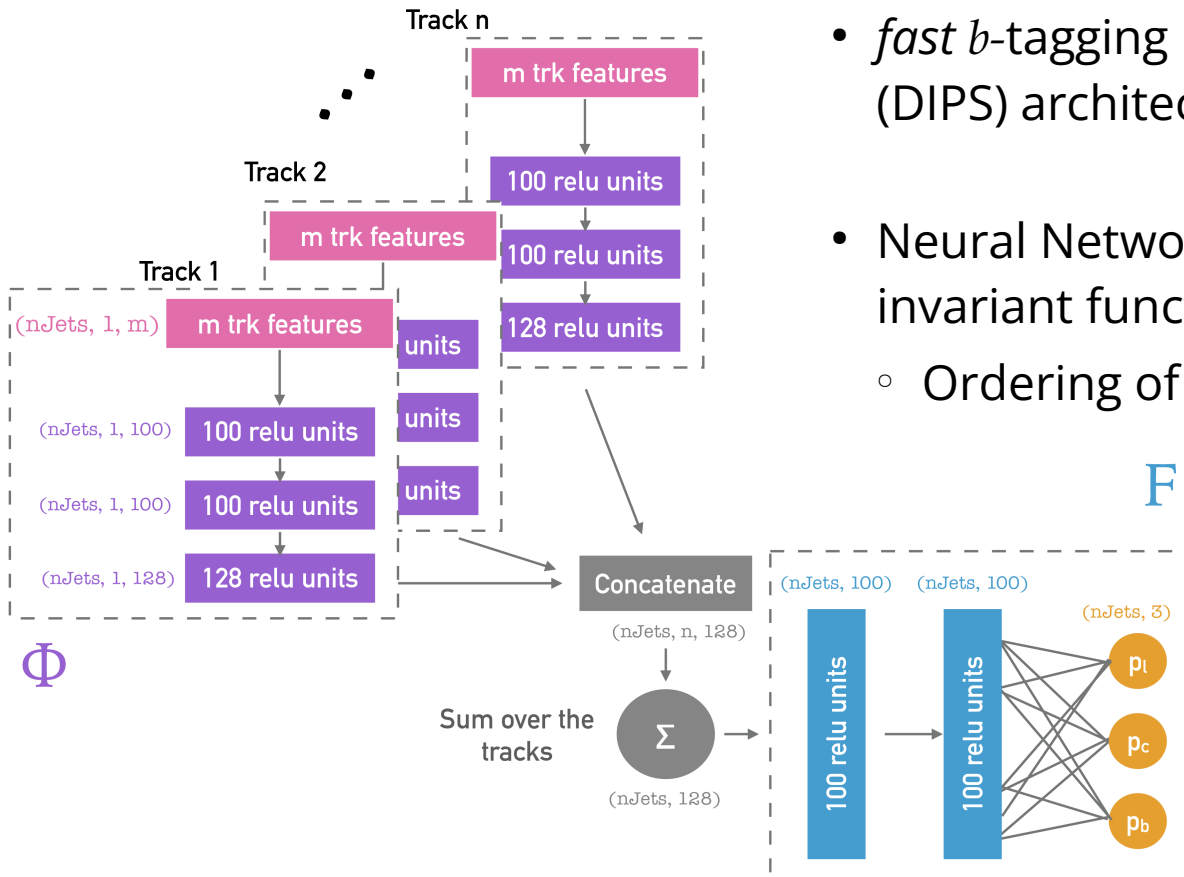
| Trigger selection | Preselection rejection factor on top of L1 | $HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$ relative trigger acceptance |
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| L1 + HLT preselection (85% WP) + HLT selection ($HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$) | ~ 5 | 0.98 |
| L1 + HLT preselection (80% WP) + HLT selection ($HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$) | ~ 10 | 0.96 |

Summary and outlook

- A fast b -tagging preselection in the ATLAS high-level trigger was implemented for the start of LHC Run 3 ([arXiv:2306.09738](https://arxiv.org/abs/2306.09738))
- This method proved to be highly signal efficient, while being able to substantially decrease background rates
- This approach has high potential for application at the High Luminosity LHC
- Interesting times ahead!

Thank you for your attention!

DIPS architecture

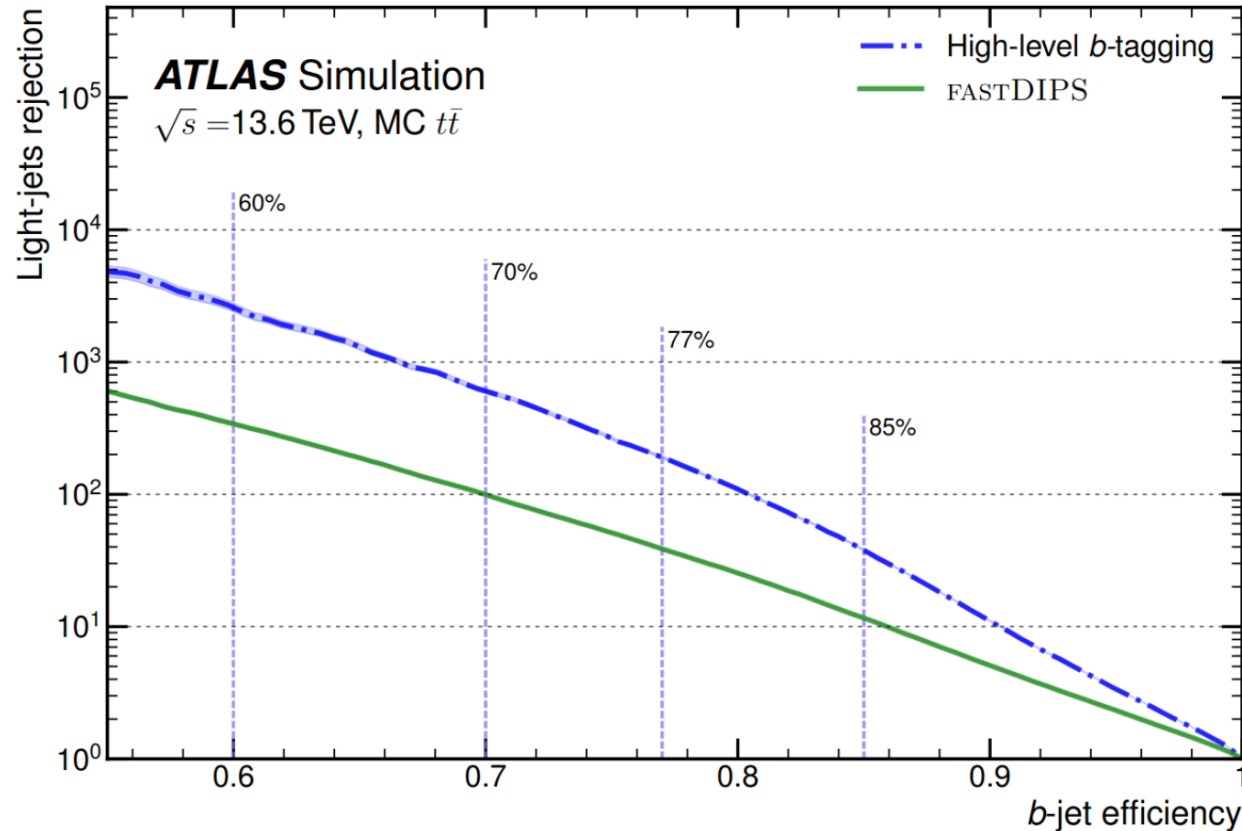


- *fast b*-tagging uses **D**eep **I**mpact **P**arameter **S**ets (DIPS) architecture ([ATL-PHYS-PUB-2020-014](#))
- Neural Network (NN) that learns permutation invariant functions
 - Ordering of the inputs not relevant

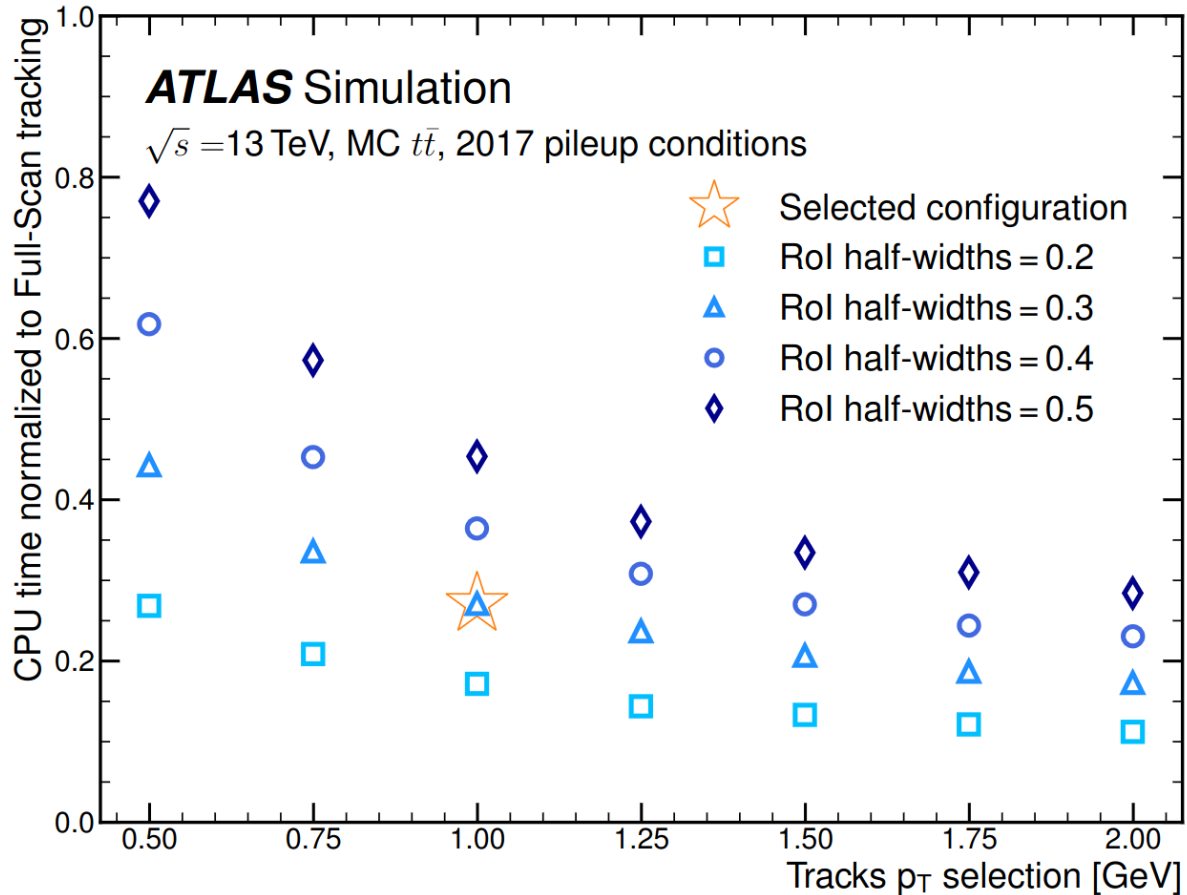
- This type network features important advantages:
 - High flexibility, variable input size
 - Very quick to train and very fast inference

Preselection performance (ROC)

- Performances at jet-level of fast b -tagging (FASTDIPS) vs high-level tagger



CPU costs



- Track reconstruction in narrow regions of interest (RoI) for the preselection is ~ 4 times cheaper in terms of CPU time w.r.t. *Full Scan* tracking
- The working point was selected such that there is negligible impact on b -tagging performances