## Jet reconstruction in LHCb searching for Higgs-like particles

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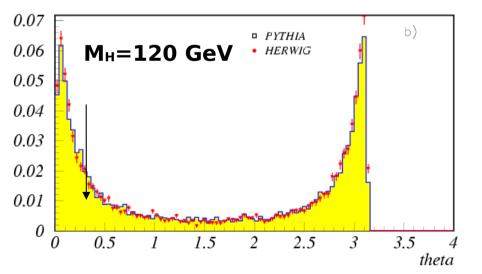


## Motivation

Jet reconstruction is important for searches of particles involving b-jets and displaced vertices since LHCb has a very good b-quark trigger and identification, and will be well calibrated with the large number of B mesons. Jets reconstruction is used in:

### • Standard Model Higgs of light mass going to bb

Precision EW fits give  $M_{H} = 126 + 73/-48 \text{ GeV}$  $M_{H} < 219 \text{ GeV}$  at 95% C.L.



~30% SM Higgs events are in LHCb acceptance

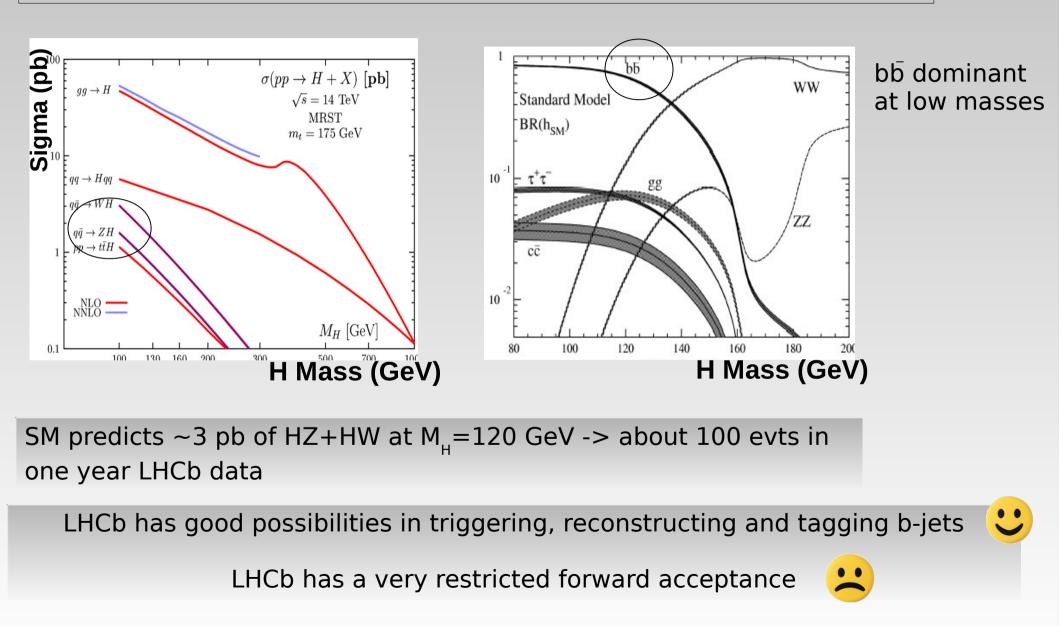
### Hidden Valley Models

### SUSY models with long lived neutralinos

This is a field of search which is outside the main LHCb scope, still the potentialities of the detector are worth being investigated

### Standard Model light Higgs

If one considers the associated Higgs production HW, HZ, for a SM Higgs:



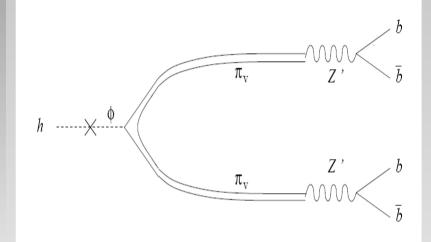
### Hidden Valley phenomenogical models

Sectors with non-abelian gauge group which couple weakly to the standard model via higher dimension operators

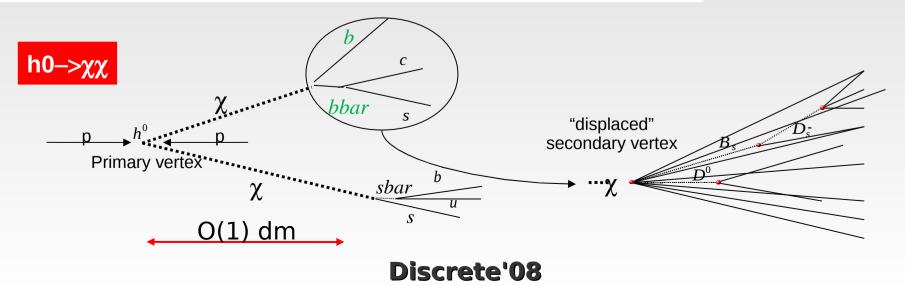
- several, possibly long-lived, v-hadrons, with masses typically of the order v-confinement scale  $\Lambda_{\rm v}$ 

- some v-hadrons may be stable, providing dark matter candidates and missing energy signals, while others decay to neutral combinations of SM particles

- decay lifetimes can vary over many orders of magnitude producing displaced vertices in the detector



### MSSM with R-parity violation models (hep-ph/0607204)



# **LHCb** Overview

### Single arm spectrometer

BB production correlated and peaks in the forward-backward direction

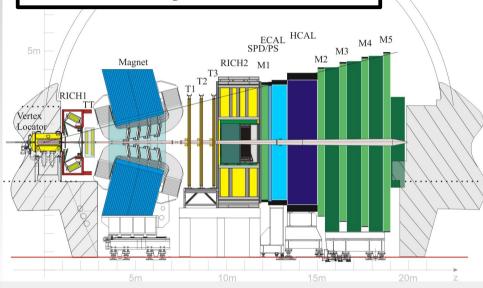
**Produced B mesons are highly boosted** Average B momentum ~80 GeV

### Access to all B mesons with huge statistics

even though LHCb<sub>lumi</sub> = LHC<sub>lumi</sub> /50  $10^{12}$  bb pairs per year

LHCb is good to find secondary vertices
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### •Acceptance:300 mrad •Luminosity 2×10<sup>32</sup>cm<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>



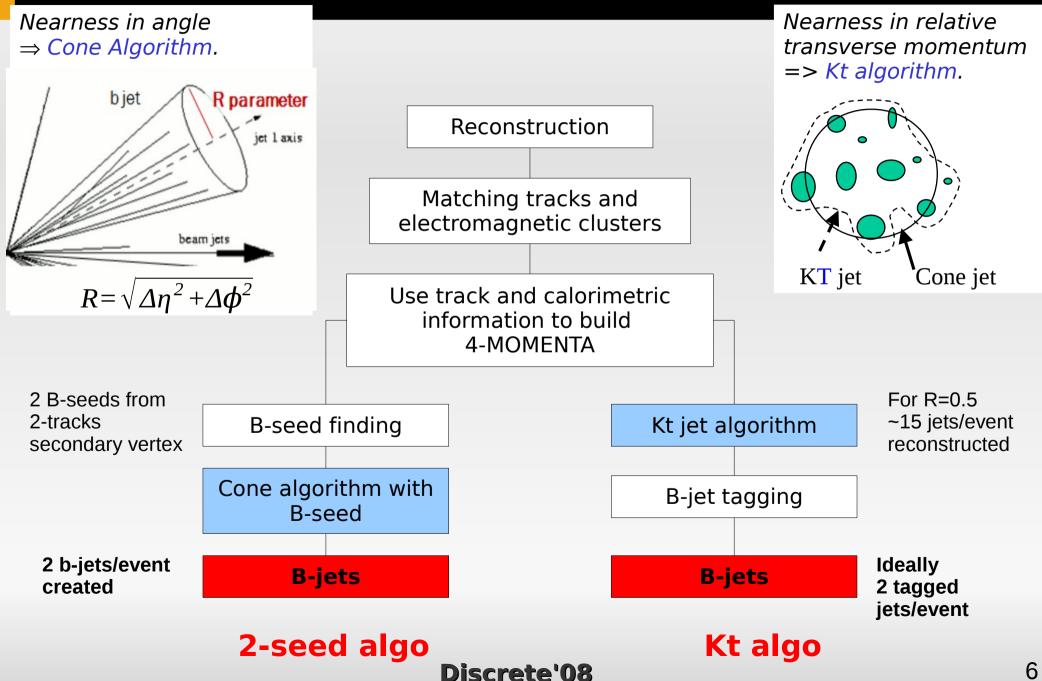
### **Precision Vertexing:**

- Primary vertex resolution
  - ~10µm transverse plane and
  - ~60µm in the longitudinal direction
- Impact parameter resolution

 $\sigma_{\mu} = 14 \mu m + 35 \mu m / pT$ 

Muon ID:  $\epsilon = 89\%$  MisID=2.3% Electron ID:  $\epsilon = 94\%$  MisID=0.7%

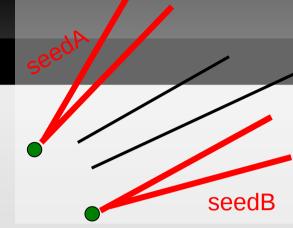
# Jet algorithms

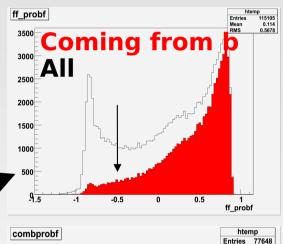


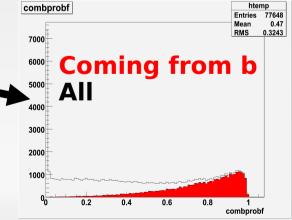
# LHCb Seed algorithm

### Track selection: build a 2-track vertex using cuts

- $\chi^2$  of tracking
- P>2 GeV
- IP/ $\sigma$  > 2.5, 2.8 (wrt **Primary Vertex**)
- Pt >0.6, 0.8
- $K_s$  candidates are excluded in the mass window M=[0.490;0.505] GeV
- **Seeds selection**. Select seeds on the base of a classifier using kinematic variables of tracks
- Double-seed selection. Pairs of seeds are passed to a second classifier, pick up the best seeds pair candidate according to classifier • output.
- Jets construction. Other particles are added to form a jet if particle belongs to a cone of  $\Delta R=0.7$

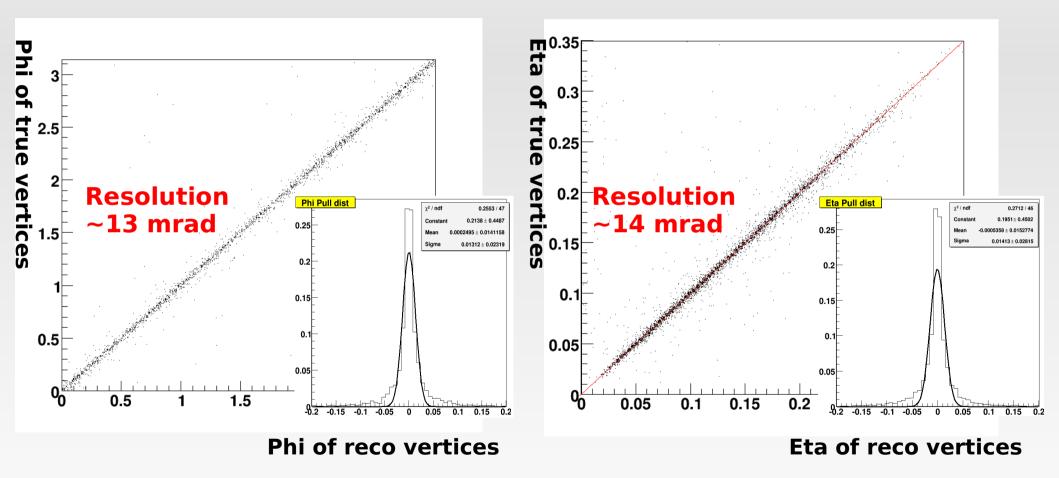






## **LHCb Seeds selection**

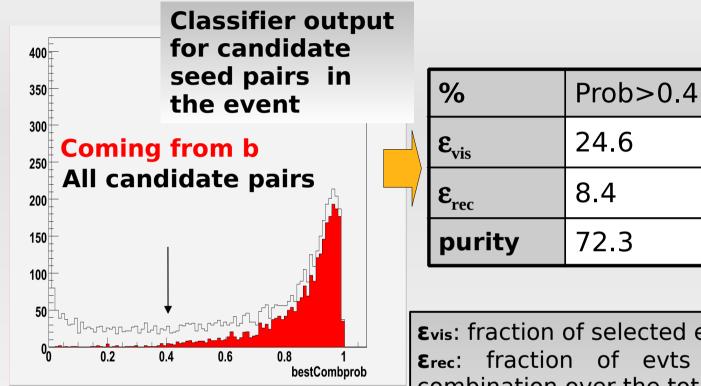
HW, HZ Monte Carlo events generated with  $M_{H}$ =120 GeV and a lepton of Pt > 10GeV within the acceptance



 $\phi$  and  $\eta$  correlation between reconstructed and true vertices

No biases seen in the reconstructed jet direction

## LHCb double-seed selection



numbers include trigger efficiency and muon/electron reconstruction

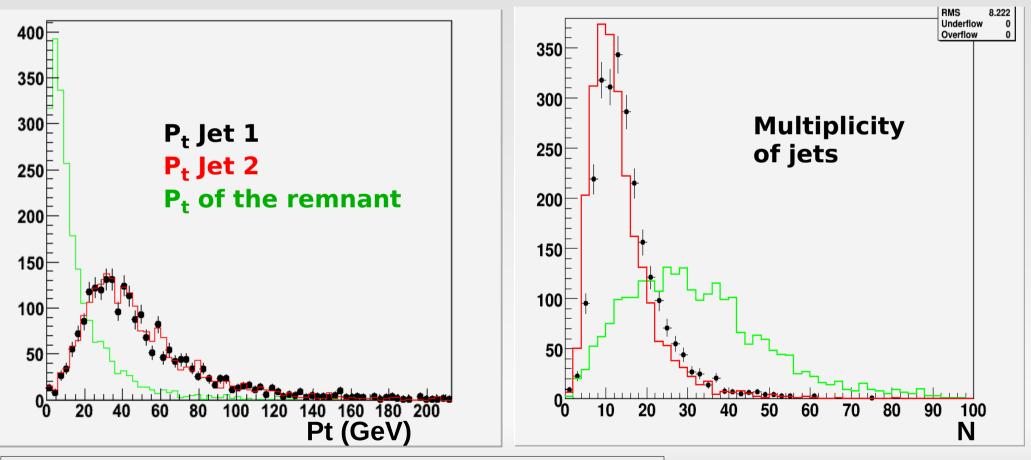
εvis: fraction of selected evts among visible true evts.
εrec: fraction of evts that have a reco seeds combination over the total number of evts
purity: fraction of true seeds combination over the number of reco evts

**Visible true evts**: evts with 4 well reconstructed tracks (2 from each B,  $\sim$ 25% of the total of generated events).

## Jets construction

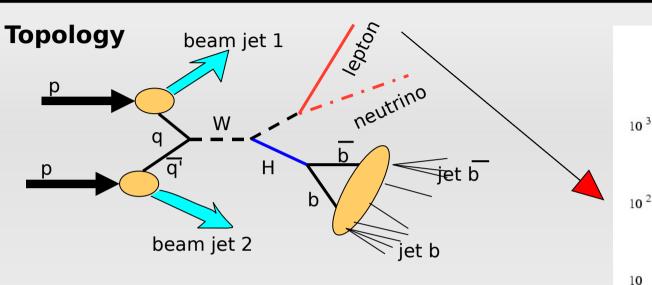
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Once candidate pair of seeds is reconstructed, charged and neutral tracks are added to the cone of  $\Delta R=0.7$  built around seeds directions



• High Pt lepton from W or Z boson is not included in jets

# Light Higgs decay



- Selection: large Pt prompt lepton (Pt > 10GeV | IP/ $\sigma$  < 3) to tag W,Z
- Reconstruction of 2 jets in LHCb acceptance

Sources of background [pb]

weapon to fight it:

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reducible background

bb	500·10 <sup>6</sup>
tī	570
γ*/Z+jets	104
W + jets	<b>10</b> <sup>5</sup>

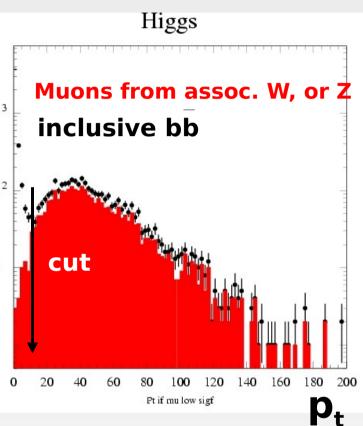
#### irreducible background

ZW	6.3
ZZ	2.5

associated production extra jet activity b jet identification

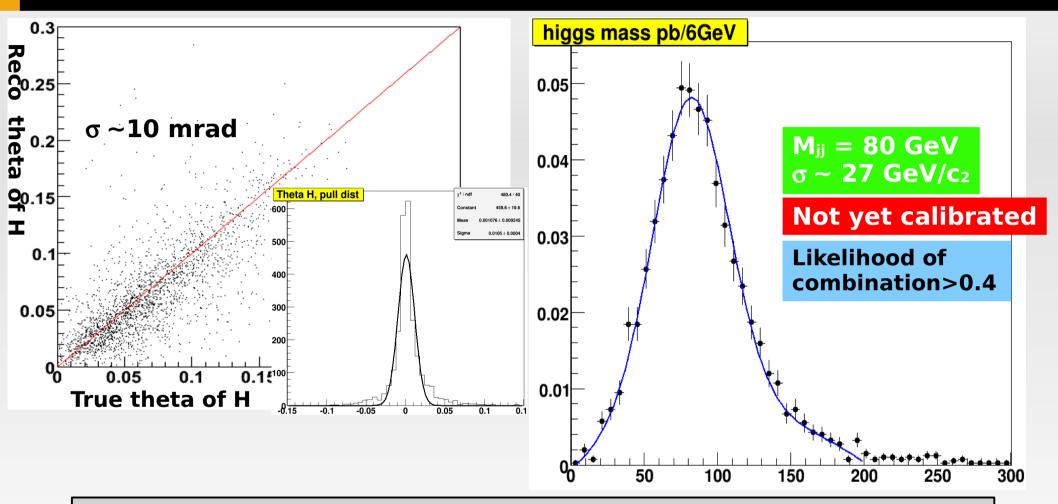
di-jet mass resolution

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**Level 0 trigger** 88% efficient to select HW e HZ events

## Jets construction



Energy of Jets\_need to be calibrated. One can initially study it with MC and then use  $Z \rightarrow bb$  events

Detailed background studies in this approach are under way

# **Kt algorithm**

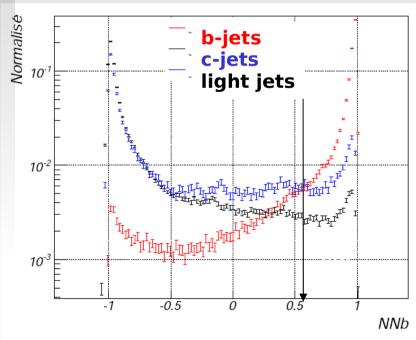
Standard algorithm used by many experiments

- In LHCb Kt algorithm is used to make jets in the event with  $\Delta R=0.75$
- Need to identify the b-jet

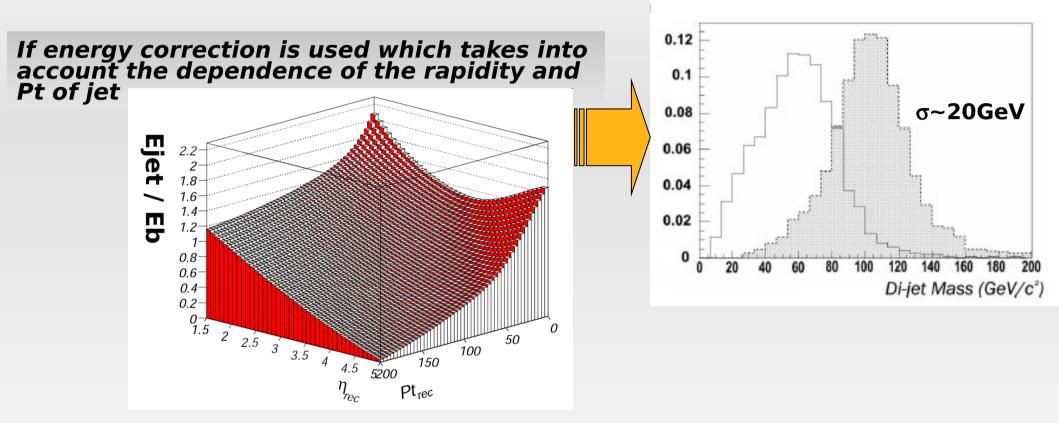
A jet then is defined as a b-jet if it has at least 7 particles at least 2 tracks with impact parameter significance>2 at least 1 tracks with impact parameter significance>5 energy of charged particles > 3% of the total energy energy in a cone of R=0.4 around the jet axis>70% Ejet

A neural net also trained to discriminate against c-jets and light jets is also applied using kin. variables

Selection efficiency for b-jets 80% with very good non-b jet rejection of 99.7%



# Kt algorithm, jet calibration



Mass peak not centered on true mass (120 GeV) due to neutral hadrons and neutrino losses. Improvements are possible by adding HCAL information,

Dependence on the proportions of charged and neutral particles is to be looked at.

A better mass resolution is very important for improving the B/S ratio

### • Search for a SM Higgs

Higgs of 120 GeV, associated production HW HZ, Taking into account background sources like tt, ZW, Wbb, etc, The expectation is about 15-20 reconstructed signal events in one year of data taking (2/fb) with  $S/\sqrt{B} = 0.34$ 

Need to suppress large  $t\bar{t}$  contribution, work in progress.

- Development of jet algorithms is also useful for other searches involving exotic or heavy objects decaying into bb with finite lifetime
  - (e.g.  $\Pi_v$  in Hidden Valley models,  $\chi_0$  neutralinos in SUSY models). Interesting prospects for observation of New Physics, depending on the values of the model parameters.

## Conclusions

- A dedicated approach based on displaced vertices for jet seeding has been developed. Jet calibration is mandatory to discriminate various sources of backgrounds.
- In LHCb it is a very challenging attempt to reconstruct a SM Higgs in the mass region up to ~135 GeV. At the moment the largely dominant background is tt. Work is focused in trying to optimize background rejection.
- The high performance of LHCb in detecting secondary vertices and identify b-jets can be applied to any exotic particle decaying into 2 b quarks giving rise to high momentum jets in the high rapidity region.