

Top and $W+b/c$ jets results at LHCb

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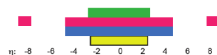
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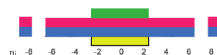
Introduction

- ▶ LHCb is fully instrumented in the forward region $2 < \eta < 5$
- ▶ Complementary to central detectors:
 - ▶ high/low-x partons involved.
 - ▶ Different production mechanism. (e.g. more q initiated $t\bar{t}$ production).
- ▶ Tracking in the forward region
 - b,c jet tagging @ $2 < \eta < 5$

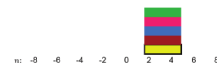
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Outline

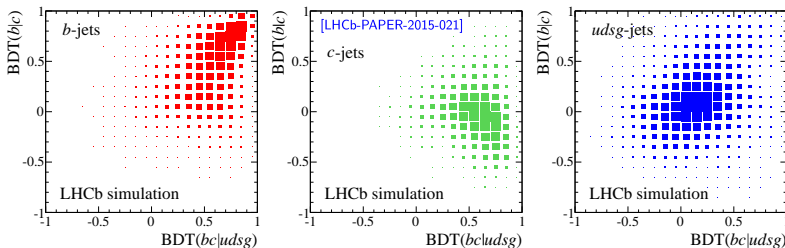
- ▶ Heavy-flavour jet tagging @ LHCb
- ▶ $W + b, c$ jet production ratios @ $\sqrt{s} = 7, 8 \text{ TeV}$
- ▶ Top production in the forward region @ $\sqrt{s} = 7, 8 \text{ TeV}$
- ▶ Prospects for run II

Heavy-flavour jet tagging @ LHCb

b and c jet tagging @ LHCb

[JINST 10 P06013]

- ▶ ParticleFlow jets with anti- k_T ($R=0.5$).
- ▶ Inclusive 2-body vertexing merged in n-body vertices (SV):
 - light jet mistag rate $< 1\%$, $\epsilon_b \sim 65\%$, $\epsilon_c \sim 25\%$.
- ▶ SV properties (displacement, kinematics, multiplicity,...) and jet properties combined in two BDTs.
 - ▶ $BDT_{bc|udsg}$ optimised for heavy flavour versus light discrimination.
 - ▶ $BDT_{b|c}$ optimised for b versus c discrimination.

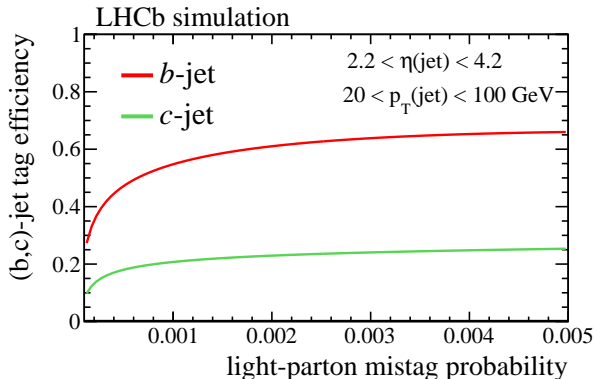


- ▶ Enrichment in a b or c -jets can be obtained from cuts on the BDT distributions.
- ▶ Flavour content of a given jet sample can be obtained from 2D fit of the BDT distributions.

b and c jet tagging @ LHCb

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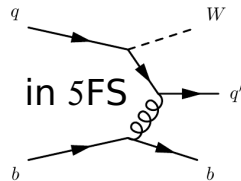
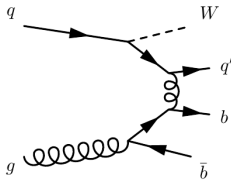
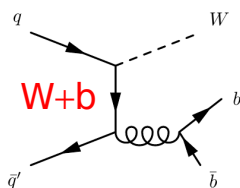
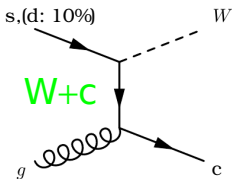
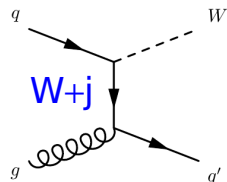
- ▶ Applying a cut on $BDT_{bc|udsg}$:



- ▶ Relative uncertainty of 10% of (b,c)-jet tagging efficiencies.
- ▶ Uncertainties on the mis-tag rate $\sim 30\%$.

$W+(b,c)$ -jet production ratio @ $\sqrt{s} = 7,8 \text{ TeV}$

Motivations



$W+c$

- ▶ LO production involve s-quark PDFs
- ▶ $Q \sim 100 \text{ GeV}$ and x down to 10^{-5}
- ▶ Existing constraints based on DIS with $Q \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$ and $x \sim \mathcal{O}(0.1)$.
- ▶ At higher Q , measurement in the central region at TeVatron and LHC.

$W+b$

- ▶ Main production process sensitive to probability of gluon splitting in $b\bar{b}$.
- ▶ LO production in 5FS from intrinsic b quark content of the proton.

Measurement of $W + (b, c)$ -jet ratios and asymmetries.

- ▶ $W \rightarrow \mu\mu$ final state.
- ▶ Jets tagged with the SV-tagger.

Fiducial volume

$$p_T(\mu) > 20 \text{ GeV}, 2.0 < \eta_\mu < 4.5$$

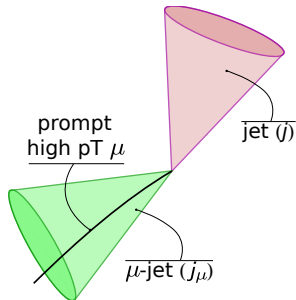
$$p_T(j) > 20 \text{ GeV}, 2.2 < \eta_j < 4.2$$

$$\Delta R(\mu, j) > 0.5$$

$$p_T(\mu + j) > 20 \text{ GeV}$$

Selection:

- ▶ Prompt μ selection as in [JHEP12(2014)079].
- ▶ Events with 2 μ vetoed or classified as Z +jet.
- ▶ "j" is the highest- p_T jet.
- ▶ μ candidate used in the jet reconstruction.
- ▶ ν missed $\rightarrow p_T$ -unbalance.
- ▶ $p_T(j_\mu + j) > 20 \text{ GeV}$.
- ▶ Isolation defined as $p_T(\mu)/p_T(j_\mu)$.
- ▶ Selection \equiv fiducial volume^a



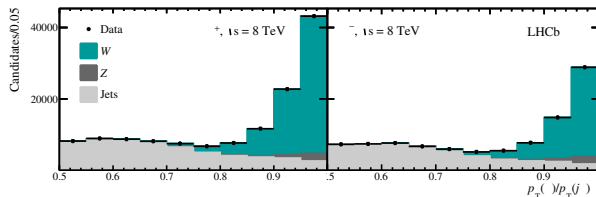
^a For W +jet, $p_T(j_\mu + j) > 20 \text{ GeV} \equiv p_T(\mu + j) > 20 \text{ GeV}$ to $\sim 1\%$

Yields

Fit of the isolation in μ +jet sample

[PRD92 (2015) 052001]

- ▶ μ_W +jet yields obtained from fit of the μ isolation

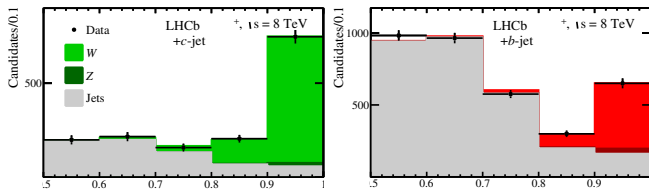


Shape from MC,
cor. with Z data

Yields from
 $Z[\mu\mu]$ +jet

Shape from data

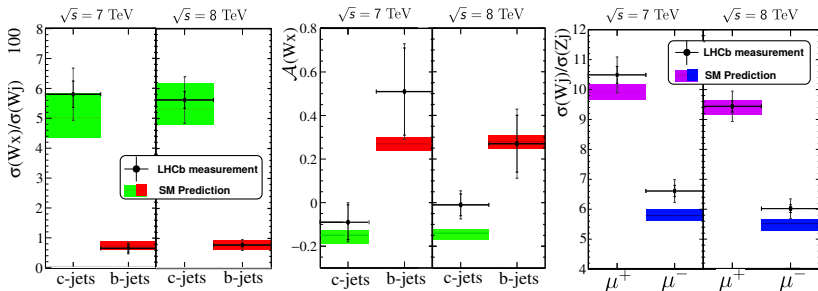
- ▶ Yields of μ_W +(b,c)jet from 2D BDT fit of SV-tagged sample and isolation fit



- ▶ μ +(b,c)tag corrected for SV tagging efficiencies.
- ▶ W+jet and W+(b,c)jet yields corrected for backgrounds from $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ and top.

$W + (b, c)$ -jet ratios and asymmetries results [PRD92 (2015) 052001]

- ▶ $\mathcal{A}(Wq) = \frac{\sigma(W^+q) - \sigma(W^-q)}{\sigma(W^+q) + \sigma(W^-q)}$.
- ▶ Main uncertainties from heavy flavour fraction determination (5-10%), tagging efficiency (10%), isolation fit (4-10%), and for $W + b$ the Top background (13%)
- ▶ Predictions @NLO: MCFM[PRD62(00)114012] and CT10 PDF set,[PRD82(10)074024].

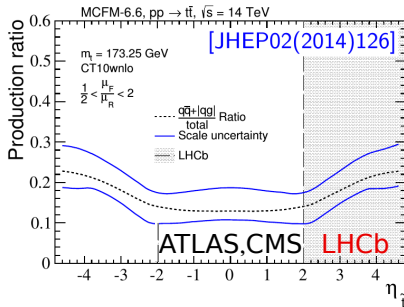


- ▶ $|\mathcal{A}(Wc)|$ is 2σ lower than predictions using CT10 PDFs.
- ▶ Could point to asymmetric (s, \bar{s}) PDFs.
- ▶ Data do not support large contribution from intrinsic b-quark in the proton:

→ Insufficient precision to rule out extra contribution at the $\mathcal{O}(10\%)$ level.

Top production
in the forward region @ $\sqrt{s} = 7,8 \text{ TeV}$

Top quark production in pp collisions

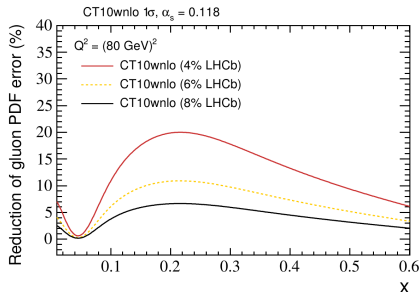


Motivation for studies in the forward region:

- ▶ test for the differential predictions.
- ▶ reduced g -initiated production.
- ▶ enhanced $t\bar{t}$ charge asymmetry

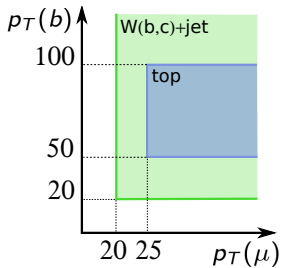
Large uncertainty on the high- x gluon PDFs:

- ▶ ATLAS/CMS $t\bar{t}$ measurements constraint the high- x gluon PDF [JHEP07(2013)167]
- ▶ $t\bar{t}$ production in the forward region involve higher- x / lower- x gluon, [JHEP02(2014)126].



Selection and strategy

- ▶ Combined measurement of the single- t and $t\bar{t}$ production in the $\mu + b$ channel.
 - ▶ $t\bar{t}$ accounts for 3/4 of the top production.
 - ▶ Tightened fiducial region to enhance top contribution.
 - ▶ $p_T(\mu) > 25$ GeV.
 - ▶ $50 < p_T(b) < 100$ GeV
 - ▶ Reduces the uncertainty associated to QCD jets.
 - ▶ Improves S/\sqrt{B} at large $p_T(\mu + b)$.
 - ▶ Identical selection to $W + (b, c)$ otherwise.
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- ▶ $p_T(\mu + b)$ provides discrimination between top and $W + b$ -jets.
 - ▶ $\mathcal{A}(Wb) \sim 1/3$ while $\mathcal{A}(top) \sim 0.1$, mainly from single- t .
 - ▶ Look for an excess of $\mu + b$ events and deviation of \mathcal{A} as function of $p_T(\mu + b)$.
 - ▶ **Needs good control on $W + b$ -jets predictions.**



SM predictions

- ▶ NLO predictions from MCFM [JPG42(2015)1,015005] in the 4FS and CT10 PDF set [PRD82(2010)074024].
- ▶ NLO PowhegBox [JHEP01(2012)137] showered with Pythia8 [CPC178(2008)852-867] (for consistency check)
- ▶ Prediction uncertainties from PDFs, α_s and scale.
- ▶ Integration uncertainties and from $m_{c,b,t}$ negligible.
- ▶ α_s and PDF uncertainties are found to be close to 100% correlated between bins.
- ▶ Detector response folded to the prediction:
 - ▶ Main contribution from μ efficiencies, b-jet p_T migration, (b,c)-tagging efficiencies.
- ▶ $\sigma(Wb)/\sigma(Wj)$ theory uncertainties partially cancel in the ratio.
- ▶ In the most significant bin of $p_T(\mu + b)$:

$$\text{rel. error}[\sigma(Wb)/\sigma(Wj)] \sim \frac{1}{3} \text{ rel. error}[\sigma(Wb)]$$

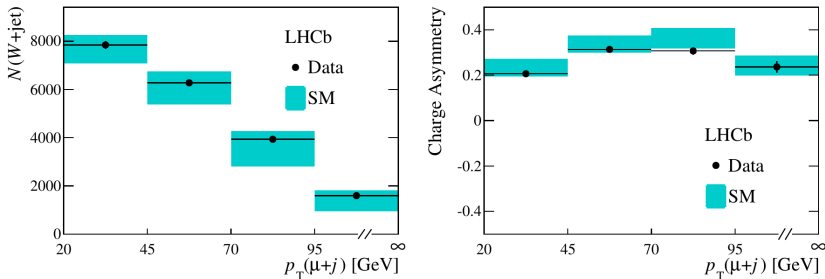
Measure W+jets yields to fix the scale of W + b-jets from data

In situ constraint from $W+\text{jet}$

Isolation fit

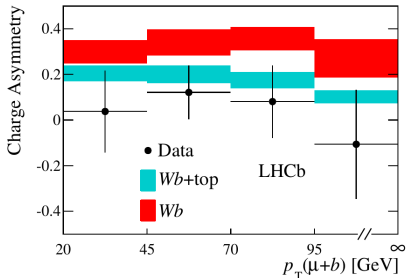
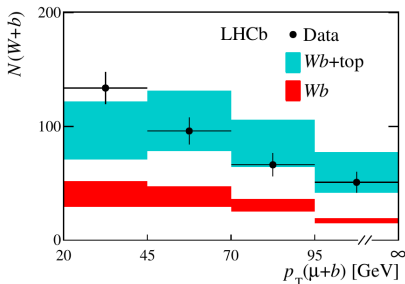
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- ▶ Same procedure than for the previous measurement.
- ▶ The isolation fit is performed in 4 $p_T(\mu + j)$ bins [20; 45; 70; 95; ∞].



- ▶ $W+\text{jet}$ data consistent with NLO predictions at the 1σ level.
- ▶ Slightly lower \mathcal{A} , consistent with slightly higher $\sigma(W^-j)/\sigma(Zj)$.
- ▶ **Low uncertainty allows to fix the scale of $W(c, b)$ from $W(c, b)/Wj$ predictions.**

→ Validated on Wc sample, yields in agreements with the NLO predictions.



- ▶ Discrepancy between data and Wb predictions.
- ▶ Good agreement with $Wb + top$ predictions.
- ▶ Binned likelihood fit of $N(top)$ and $\mathcal{A}(top)$.
- ▶ Systematic uncertainties treated as Gaussian constraints.
- ▶ $N(top)$ and $\mathcal{A}(top)$ shapes are fixed. The total yields is allowed to vary.
- ▶ Profile likelihood to compare $Wb + top$ and Wb hypotheses

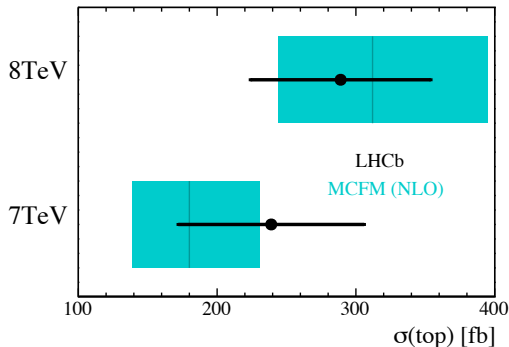
5.4 σ observation of top production in the forward region.

- ▶ The observed excess above Wb prediction is used to measure $\sigma(t\bar{t} + t + \bar{t})$.

$$\sigma(\text{top})[7 \text{ TeV}] = 239 \pm 53(\text{stat}) \pm 33(\text{syst}) \pm 24(\text{theory}) \text{ fb}$$

$$\sigma(\text{top})[8 \text{ TeV}] = 289 \pm 43(\text{stat}) \pm 40(\text{syst}) \pm 29(\text{theory}) \text{ fb}$$

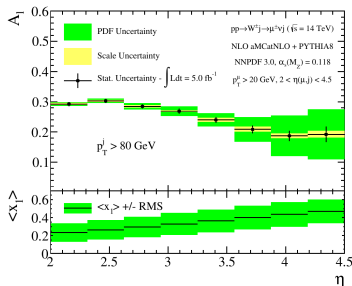
- ▶ b-tagging, jet energy scale and isolation fit related uncertainties dominates the systematics uncertainties.



Cross sections at $\sqrt{s} = 7, 8$ TeV are consistent with NLO SM predictions.

Prospects for Run II and LHCb Upgrade

- ▶ Z+jet [JHEP 01(2014)33], Z+b-jet [JHEP 01(2015)064], Z+D [JHEP 04(2014)91] performed at 7 TeV → **to be updated**.
- ▶ At $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV, W+(b,c,ℓ)jet **cross sections increases** by a factor $\sim 2 - 2.5$.
- ▶ A **larger fraction of visible events** in LHCb acceptance.
- ▶ 7,8 TeV \mathcal{A} measurements are dominated by statistical error.
- ▶ Part of the systematic uncertainties are of statistical nature and methods could be improved.
- ▶ **Differential measurements** becomes accessible.
- ▶ The impact of W+jet differential cross-section and asymmetry measurements on large-x d-quark PDF studied in [arXiv:1505.01399].
- ▶ Enhanced sensitivity for high- p_T jet and high- η lepton.
- ▶ Up to $\sim 35\%$ improvement of the d-quark PDF uncert. at $x = 0.7$ for a 1% systematic uncert. measurement with run II dataset.



Top production

[LHCb-PUB-2013-009]

	$d\sigma(\text{fb})$	8 TeV		14 TeV	
▶ Cross-sections and acceptance increased at run II	lb	504	± 94	4366	± 663
	lbj	198	± 35	2335	± 323
	lbb	65	± 12	870	± 116
$\sim 20 \times \text{RunI}$ yields.	$lbbj$	26	± 4	487	± 76
	l^+l^-	79	± 15	635	± 109
▶ $\sim 5\%$ stat. uncertainty at RunII on μb	l^+l^-b	39	± 8	417	± 79

- ▶ Work needed on the systematic uncertainties: b-jet tagging, isolation fit, discrimination w.r.t $W + b$.
- ▶ Separation between $t\bar{t}$ and single- t using the various final states.
- ▶ Differential cross-section.
- ▶ Investigate overlap region with ATLAS-CMS

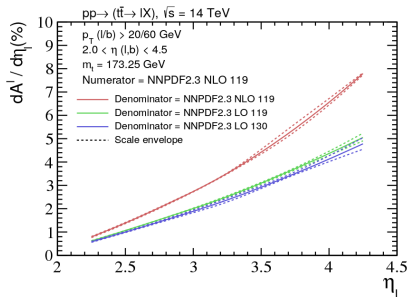
common **particle level** / **pseudo top definitions** to be studied

$t\bar{t}$ charged asymmetry

- ▶ Originally proposed in [PRL(2011)107].
- ▶ Further work in [LHCb-PUB-2013-009] and [PRD91(2015)054029]
- ▶ Considering lb : $A_\ell = \frac{N(\mu^+b) - N(\mu^-b)}{N(\mu^+b) + N(\mu^-b)}$.

- ▶ Lower fraction of $gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}$:
→ less dilution of the asymmetry.

- ▶ In $q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$:
 - ▶ high- x and low- x needed to end in LHCb.
 - ▶ high- x parton from the valence q .
→ less dilution from unknown q direction.



- ▶ Background asymmetry need to be well under control.
- ▶ A'_{SM} out of reach with Run I (and probably II) dataset (5 – 10% statistical uncertainty).
- ▶ With upgrade statistics ($50 fb^{-1}$) with $A'_{SM} = (1.4 - 2.0)$ expect 0.3% statistical error.

Outlook

- ▶ Developed efficient (b, c) -jet tagging method with low light-jet mistag rate.
- ▶ $W + (b, c)$ -jets production ratios and \mathcal{A} in good agreement with NLO predictions.
- ▶ Observed top production in the forward region.
- ▶ Combined $t\bar{t}$ and single- t cross sections at $\sqrt{s} = 7, 8$ TeV in good agreement with NLO predictions.

- ▶ **LHCb starting its Top physics program, more to come with RunII**

BACKUP

Systematic uncertainties

For significance evaluation and cross section measurement

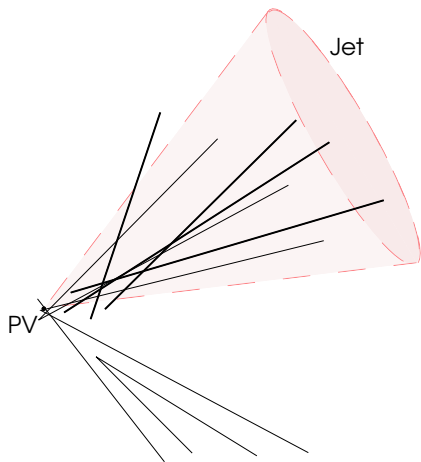
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source	uncertainty
GEC	2%
$p_T(\mu)/p_T(j_\mu)$ templates	5%
jet reconstruction	2%
SV-tag BDT templates	5%
b -tag efficiency	10%
trigger & μ selection	2% [†]
jet energy	5% [†]
$W \rightarrow \tau \rightarrow \mu$	1% [†]
luminosity	1–2% [†]
Total	14%
Theory	10%

Secondary vertex tagger

Inclusive vertexing

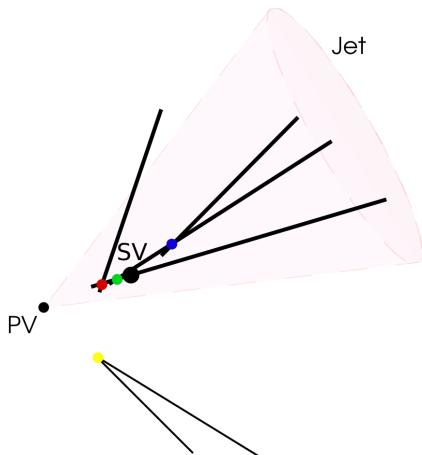
- ▶ Tracks consistent with B,D decays
 - ▶ Displaced: $\chi_{IP}^2 > 16$
 - ▶ High p_T : $p_T > 0.5 \text{ GeV}$



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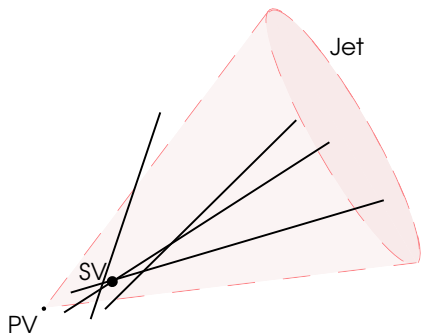
- ▶ Tracks consistent with B,D decays
- ▶ Inclusive 2-body vertexing
 - ▶ $DOCA < 0.2 \text{ mm}$, $\chi^2_{\text{vertex}} < 10$.
 - ▶ $0.4 < m_{\text{vertex}} < m_B$.
 - ▶ $\Delta R(PV - SV, j) < 0.5$.



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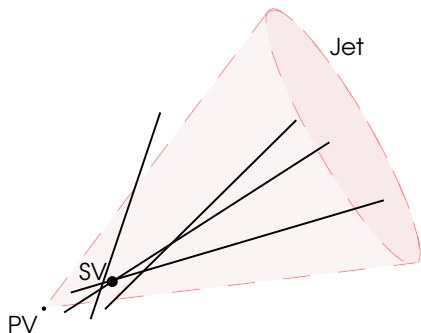
- ▶ Tracks consistent with B,D decays
- ▶ Inclusive 2-body vertexing
- ▶ Merge into n-body
 - ▶ based on shared tracks
 - ▶ $p_T > 2 \text{ GeV}$, $\chi_{d_{PV,SV}}^2 > 5\sigma$.
 - ▶ $d_{PV,SV}/p < 1.5 \text{ mm/GeV}$.
 - ▶ max 1 track with $\Delta R(tr, j) > 0.5$.



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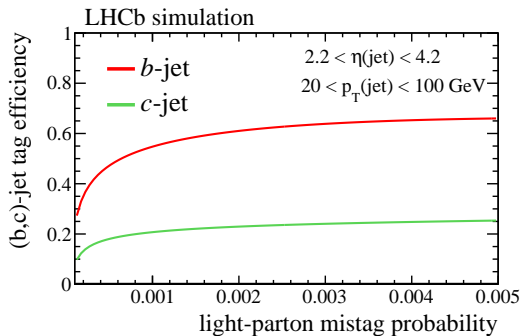
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- ▶ **mistag rate well below 1% for b tag efficiency $\sim 65\%$, c tag efficiency $\sim 25\%$.**

Performances in simulation

further discrimination with BDT_{bc} vs $udsq$ cut

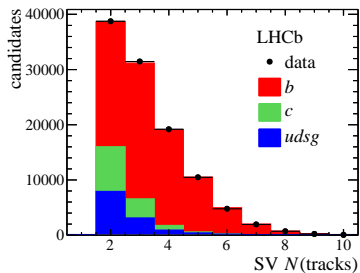
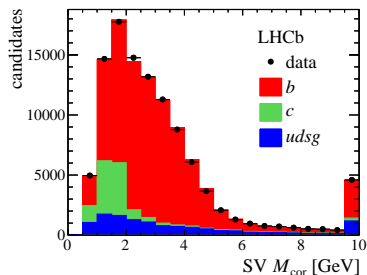


- Flavour content can be obtained by fitting the 2D BDT distributions but when needed they can be used to cut.

Alternative Tagged yields

Systematics for BDT shapes modeling

- ▶ Alternative fit using SV based only variables
 - ▶ N_{trk} for b-jet discrimination.
 - ▶ $M_{cor}(SV)$ for c-jet discrimination.
- ▶ 2D fit in each (p_T, η) bins, for each sample.
- ▶ Difference with 2D BDT fits used as BDT shapes modeling uncertainties.
- ▶ 1 – 2% uncertainty on the flavour fraction.



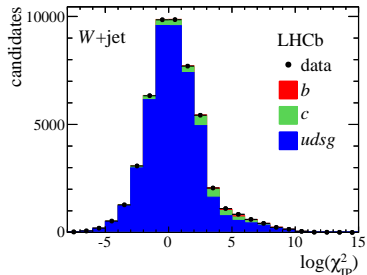
Untagged yields

χ_{IP}^2 calibration on W +jet sample

- ▶ Fit of the χ_{IP}^2 of the highest p_T track or μ in the jet.

- ▶ Calibration of the χ_{IP}^2 from the W +jet sample (light jet dominated)

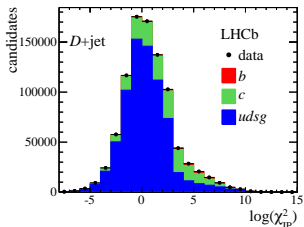
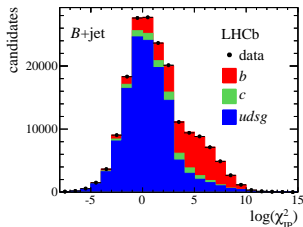
- ▶ 95% in MC.
- ▶ $\sigma_{\chi_{IP}^2}$ 10% worse in data.
- ▶ Take the correction as universal
- ▶ s component source of uncertainties



Untagged yields

Fitting the χ_{IP}^2 of the highest- p_T track of the probe jet.

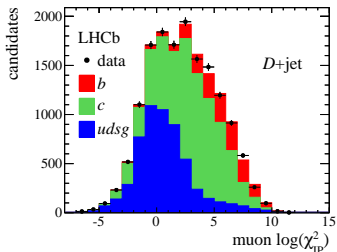
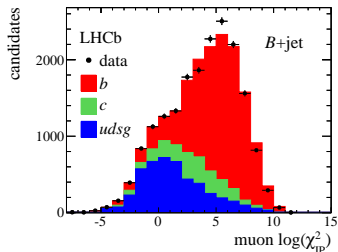
- ▶ Requires $p_T(trk)/p_T(j) > 0.1$ and has low fake probability.
- ▶ Pros: Inclusive jet sample (covers 95% of the jets).
- ▶ Cons: dominated by light parton jets \rightarrow large uncertainties (10 – 30%) on the c jets contribution.



Untagged yields

Fitting the χ_{IP}^2 of the highest- μ of the probe jet.

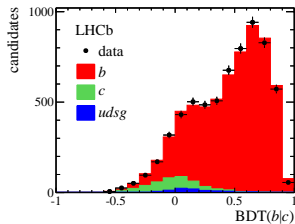
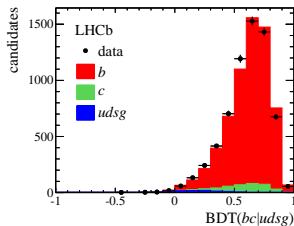
- ▶ Adds muon identification to the previous sample
- ▶ Pros: Large heavy flavour contribution
- ▶ Cons: lower statistics ($\mathcal{O}(10\%)$) and only accounts from semi-leptonic decays.



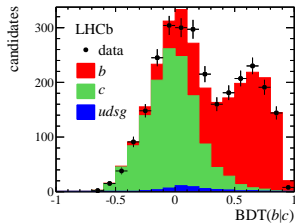
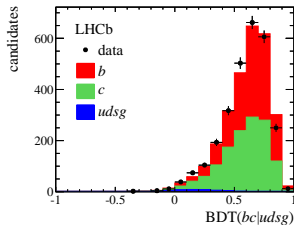
Tagged yields from 2D BDT fit

From probe jet with a high- p_T μ

► In B+jet sample



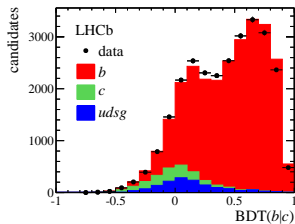
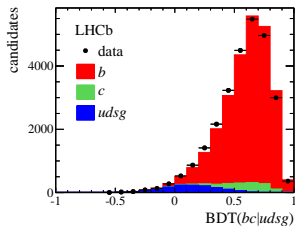
► In D+jet sample



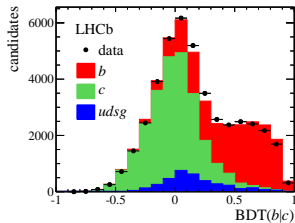
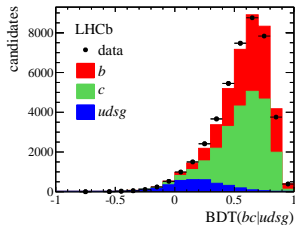
Tagged yields from 2D BDT fit

From probe jet with a high- p_T track

► In B+jet sample

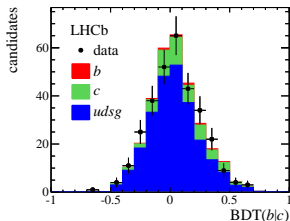
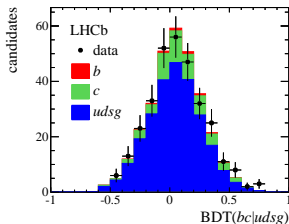
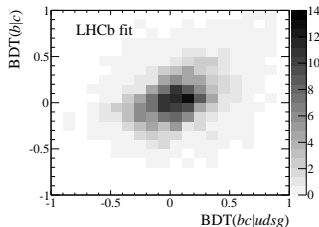
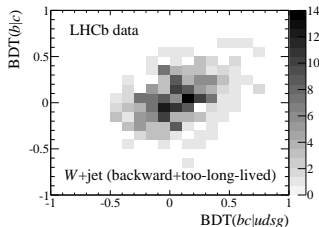


► In D+jet sample



Light jet misidentification

- ▶ prompt seen as displaced → studied through "backward" SV.
- ▶ decays of long-lived strange hadrons and interaction with material → studied through SV with $FD/p > 1.5 \text{ mm/GeV}$.
- ▶ Studied in $W+\text{jet}$ sample to mitigate the same effect from (b,c)-jets.



Systematic uncertainties on the (b, c) -jet yields

source	b jets	c jets
BDT templates*	$\approx 2\%$	$\approx 2\%$
light-parton-jet large IP component*	$\approx 5\%$	$\approx 10 - 30\%$
IP resolution	—	—
hadron-as-muon probability (muon-jet subsample only)	5%	20%
out-of-jet (b, c) -hadron decay	—	—
gluon splitting	1%	1%
number of pp interactions per event	—	—

In particular, in the determination of (b, c) -jet yields in the efficiency denominator:

- ▶ 5 – 30% from the variation of the large-IP component of light parton jets use in the fit of the χ^2_{IP} .
- ▶ 5 – 20% from altering the hadron misID to match the fraction of μ in prompt jet in simulation wrt. data.

W+jet event selection

- ▶ Highest p_T jet and highest p_T , prompt μ from same PV.

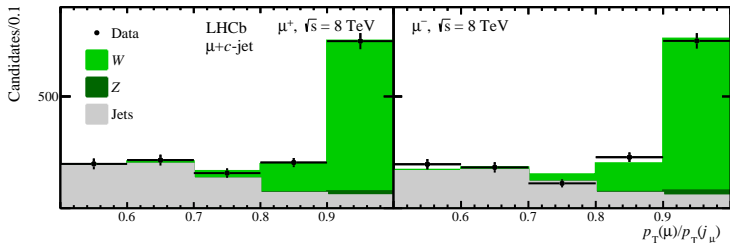
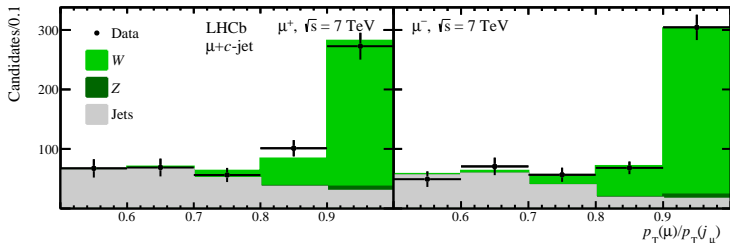
μ	W + jet	Z + jet
trigger	no OS μ	$60 < M_{\mu\mu} < 120 \text{ GeV}$
$IP < 0.04 \text{ mm}$, good track $(E_{ECAL} + E_{HCAL})/p < 4\%$	$p_T(j_\mu + j) > 20 \text{ GeV}$	

- ▶ $p_T(j_\mu + j) > 20 \text{ GeV} \equiv p_T(\mu + j) > 20 \text{ GeV}$ (for Wj to about 1%)
- ▶ Isolation defined by $p_T(\mu)/p_T(j_\mu)$, where j_μ is the jet clustered with the μ .

Getting the Wc and Wb components

Wc yields extraction

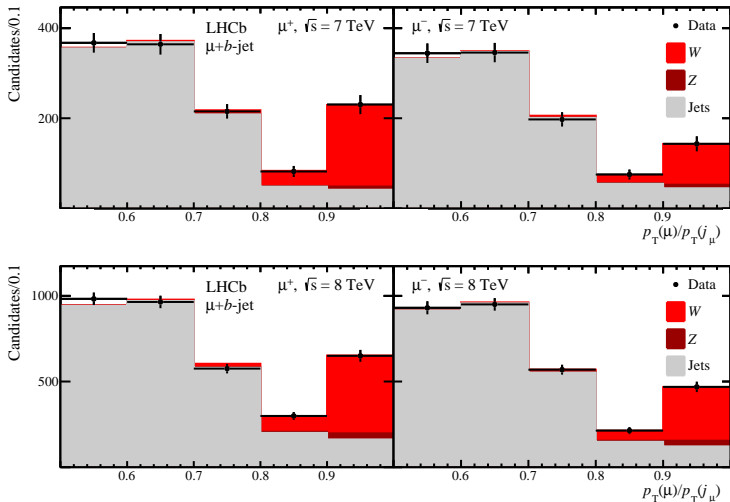
- ▶ Isolation templates using the same method than for Wj.
- ▶ $Z[\mu(\mu)]c$ from $Z[\mu\mu]c$ in data, extracted with 2D BDT fit.



Getting the W_c and W_b components

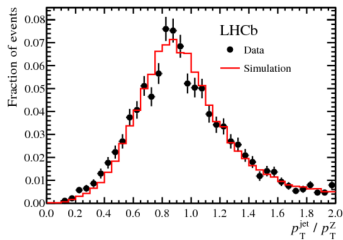
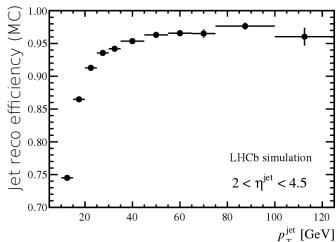
W_b yields extraction

- ▶ Isolation templates using the same method than for W_j .
- ▶ $Z[\mu(\mu)]b$ from $Z[\mu\mu]b$ in data, extracted with 2D BDT fit.



- ▶ ParticleFlow approach:
 - ▶ Charge particles from tracking.
 - ▶ Neutrals from calorimetry.
- ▶ Anti- k_T with $R = 0.5$.
- ▶ Jet Energy Scale:
 - ▶ corrections from MC (factor 0.9 to 1.1)
 - ▶ Validated on data, JES data vs. MC difference $< 5\%$
- ▶ Jet Energy Resolution:
 - ▶ $\sim 15 - 20\%$ for $p_T \in [10, 100 \text{ GeV}]$
 - ▶ Same ball-park than GPD for low- p_T .
 - ▶ Studied in $Z + jet$ and b -enriched dataset.

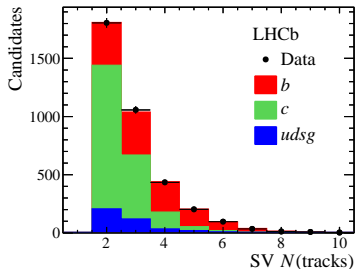
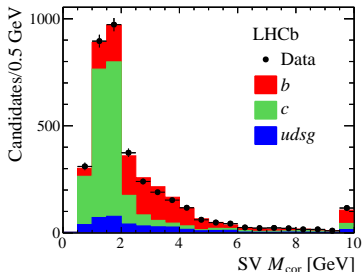
Z+jet @ 7TeV [JHEP01 (2014) 033]



Getting the W_c and W_b components

Consistency check

- ▶ Alternative fit with M_{cor} , N_{trk} on events with $BDT(bc|udsg) > 0.2$.
- ▶ Yields in 5% agreement with nominal fit.
- ▶ misidentification probability fo W +light $\sim 0.3\%$ which agrees with simulation.



- ▶ $\mu+(b,c)$ tag corrected for SV tagging efficiencies.
- ▶ $W+\text{jet}$ and $W+(b,c)\text{jet}$ yields corrected for backgrounds from $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ and top.
- ▶ **Charge asymmetry:** $\mathcal{A}(Wq) = \frac{\sigma(W^+q) - \sigma(W^-q)}{\sigma(W^+q) + \sigma(W^-q)}$.
 - ▶ Obtained from $\mu + (b, c)$ yields in $p_T(\mu)/p_T(j_\mu) > 0.9$.
 - ▶ Most backgrounds are charge symmetric (only introduce dilution) $\rightarrow \mathcal{A} \sim \frac{A_{\text{raw}}}{\text{purity}}$

Source	$\frac{\sigma(Wb)}{\sigma(Wj)}$	$\frac{\sigma(Wc)}{\sigma(Wj)}$	$\frac{\sigma(Wj)}{\sigma(Zj)}$	$\mathcal{A}(Wb)$	$\mathcal{A}(Wc)$
Muon trigger and selection	–	–	2%	–	–
GEC	1%	1%	1%	–	–
Jet reconstruction	2%	2%	–	–	–
Jet energy	2%	2%	1%	0.02	0.02
(b, c) -tag efficiency	10%	10%	–	–	–
SV-tag BDT templates	5%	5%	–	0.02	0.02
$p_T(\mu)/p_T(j_\mu)$ templates	10%	5%	4%	0.08	0.03
Top quark	13%	–	–	0.02	–
$Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$	–	3%	–	–	–
Other electroweak	–	–	–	–	–
$W \rightarrow \tau \rightarrow \mu$	–	–	1%	–	–
Total	20%	13%	5%	0.09	0.04

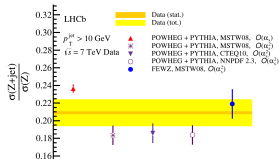
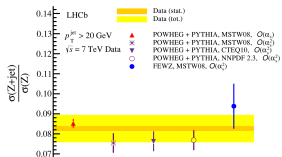
SM predictions

- ▶ NLO prediction from MCFM[JPG(2015)42] with 4FS and CT10 PDF set,[PRD(2010)82].
- ▶ NLO PowhegBox[JHEP(2012)1201] showered with Pythia8[CPC(2008)178:852-867] (for consistency check)
- ▶ Prediction uncertainties from PDFs, α_s and scale.
 - ▶ Uncertainties from integration negligible wrt. other uncertainties.
 - ▶ PDF uncertainties using asymmetric Hessian approach.
 - ▶ scale uncertainties using 7-point scale method.
 - ▶ α_s uncertainties using envelope of $\alpha_s(M(Z)) \in [0.117, 0.118, 0.119]$.
 - ▶ Uncertainties from $m_{c,b,t}$ found to be negligible.
- ▶ α_s and PDF uncertainties are found to be close to 100% correlated between bins.

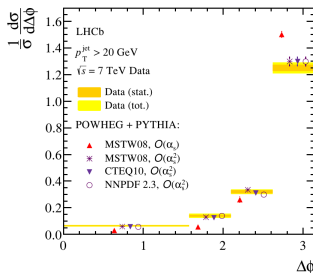
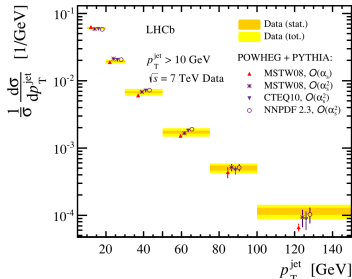
Z+jet production in pp at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV

Result

- ▶ Predictions from POWHEG+PYTHIA at $O(\alpha_s)$ and $O(\alpha_s^2)$ with different PDF sets.
- ▶ Predictions from FEWZ at $O(\alpha_s^2)$ not corrected for hadronisation and underlying event.



- ▶ Not corrected for FSR
- ▶ Shapes in good agreement with NLO



Central forward $b\bar{b}$ asymmetry $A_{FC}^{b\bar{b}}$

Motivation

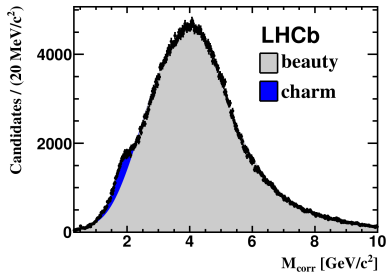
- ▶ Depending on new physics flavour structure, asymmetry could show up in the bottom sector.

[arXiv:1108.3301, Kahawala et al.]

- ▶ At LHC access to the forward central asymmetry.
- ▶ Expected to be $O(1\%)$ from QCD with an extra $O(1\%)$ in the Z mass region.

- ▶ Analysis performed with 1 fb^{-1}
- ▶ Pairs of b-jets with $\Delta\phi(bb) > 2.6 \text{ rad}$.
- ▶ One of the b-jets charge is tagged with a muon.
- ▶ Purity of the charge tagging $70.3 \pm 0.3\%$

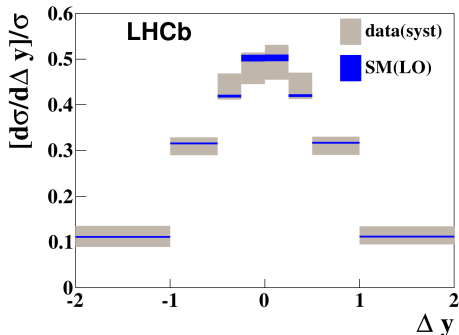
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Central forward $b\bar{b}$ asymmetry $A_{FC}^{b\bar{b}}$

Result with 1 fb^{-1}

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$$A_{FC}^{b\bar{b}} = \frac{N(\Delta y > 0) - N(\Delta y < 0)}{N(\Delta y > 0) + N(\Delta y < 0)}$$

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

In different $m_{b\bar{b}}$ bins:

- ▶ $A_{FC}^{b\bar{b}}(40, 75) = 0.4 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.3 \%$
- ▶ $A_{FC}^{b\bar{b}}(75, 105) = 2.0 \pm 0.9 \pm 0.6 \%$
- ▶ $A_{FC}^{b\bar{b}}(> 105) = 1.6 \pm 1.7 \pm 0.6 \%$

- ▶ No deviation from expectation with available statistics.
- ▶ Still 2 fb^{-1} of the Run I data to be analysed.
- ▶ More efficient b-tagging available now.

Next-to-leading order QCD predictions for $W + 1$ jet and $W + 2$ jet production with at least one b jet at the 7 TeV LHC

TABLE V. Inclusive event cross sections (in pb) for different PDF sets including PDF + α_s uncertainties at 68% C.L., determined according to the PDF4LHC NLO prescription [22] (with $\mu_R = \mu_F = \mu_0$).

	$W^+ b$ incl.		$W^+(bb)$ incl.	$W^- b$ incl.		$W^-(bb)$ incl.
	4FNS	5FNS	4FNS	4FNS	5FNS	4FNS
NNPDF2.1 [19]	44.1	59.2 ± 1.7	11.4 ± 0.3	27.6	36.2 ± 1.0	7.1 ± 0.2
CTEQ6.6 [18,20]	42.6	56.7 ± 2.1	10.9 ± 0.3	26.3	34.8 ± 1.3	6.8 ± 0.2
MSTW2008 [21]	44.2	59.8 ± 1.7	11.5 ± 0.3	28.6	37.9 ± 1.0	7.4 ± 0.2