

# Search for Flavor Changing Neutral Currents in Top Quark Decays

## Fake Rates and Initial Asimov Fits

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# Overview

## Brief Background

The Top Quark  
FCNC at the LHC

## B-tagging Working Point Selection

B-tagging Background  
Neural Network on B-tagging WPs

## $e \rightarrow \gamma$ Fake Rate: Studies

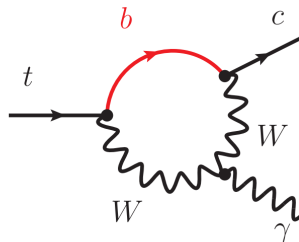
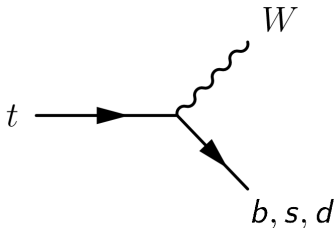
$e \rightarrow \gamma$  Fake Rate Studies  
Basic 1D Fake Rate Scale Factor  
2D Fake Rate Scale Factor

## $j \rightarrow \gamma$ Fake Rate Studies

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## Outlook and Conclusions

# Top Quark Decays in the SM



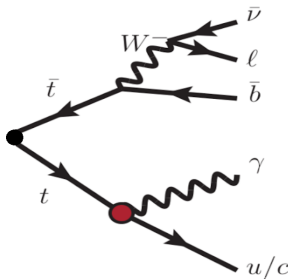
- ▶  $t \rightarrow bW \approx 99.83\%$
- ▶  $t \rightarrow sW \approx 0.16\%$
- ▶  $t \rightarrow dW \approx 0.01\%$

- ▶  $t \rightarrow q_{u,c}X \approx 10^{-17} - 10^{-12}$
- ▶ Limits on  $t \rightarrow \gamma q$  processes:  
[Phys.Lett. B800 135082]
  - ▶  $t \rightarrow \gamma u < 2.8 \times 10^{-5}$
  - ▶  $t \rightarrow \gamma c < 18 \times 10^{-5}$

# FCNC: What are we looking for? $t\bar{t} \rightarrow W(\rightarrow l\nu)b + q\gamma$

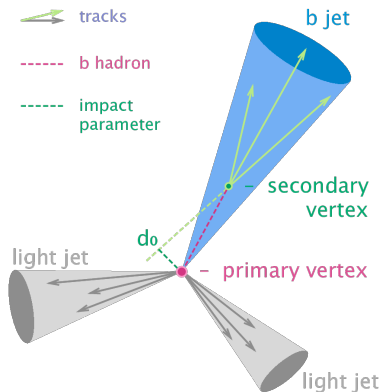
Will further investigate BJets here.

- ▶ Final state topology
  - ▶ One Neutrino, from W
  - ▶ One Lepton, from W
  - ▶ One B-jet, SM Top
  - ▶ One Photon, FCNC Top
  - ▶ One Jet, FCNC Top



## B-tagging

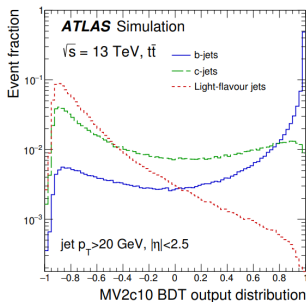
- ▶ B Hadrons travel a measureable distance before decay
- ▶ Tracks originate from outside of interaction point (Secondary Vertex)
- ▶ Backtracking tracks in displaced vertex gives an impact parameter
- ▶ Decay chain MVA attempts to reconstruct decay of the jet
- ▶ Outputs of these algorithms used in a BDT to determine if a Jet is from a b-quark



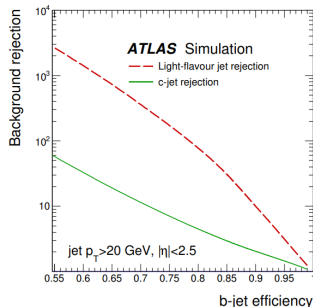
## Mv2c10

MV2c10 is used to tag b-jets. The c10 implies a 10% c-jet fraction in the background training sample. Can use various fixed-cut working points for b-jet identification.

Using a different working point can change which jets are identified as originating from b-quarks in the analysis.



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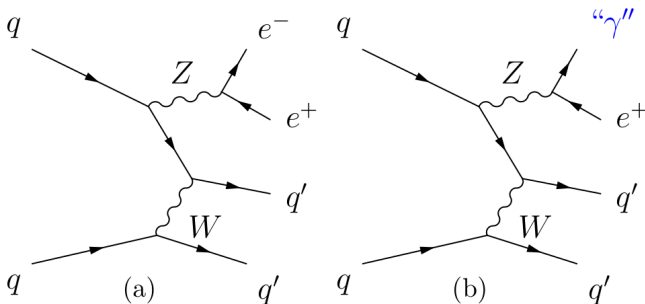
(b)

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# Neural Network Reminder

Branching ratio with Significance = 2:  $1.18\text{e-}5$

## Fake Rate Studies



Want to be able to correct the number of fake photons predicted in MC to those present in Data



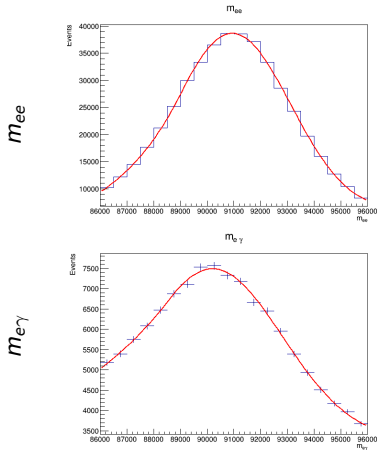
## Fake Rate Object Selection

- ▶ Want to calculate fake rate in events which could enter the signal region.
- ▶ Create 2 control regions:  $Z \rightarrow ee$  and  $Z \rightarrow e\gamma$
- ▶ Require:
  - ▶ Common Object Selection (MET, Jets, Triggers, etc.)
  - ▶ Exactly 1Bjet
  - ▶  $Z \rightarrow ee$  : 2 Opposite Sign Electrons,  $86.1 \text{ GeV} < m_{e^+e^-} < 96.1 \text{ GeV}$
  - ▶  $Z \rightarrow e\gamma$  : 1 Electron,  $\geq 1$  Photon,  $86.1 \text{ GeV} < m_{e\gamma} < 96.1 \text{ GeV}$
- ▶ Tag and Probe Method used
- ▶ Systematic determined by varying tail size and other parameters

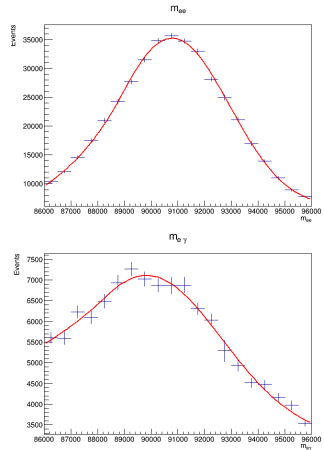
$m_{ee}$ ,  $m_{e\gamma}$

## Data and MC

### ► Data



### ► Monte Carlo



## Scale Factor

$$FR^{e\text{-fake}} = \frac{N_{e,\gamma}}{N_{e,e}}$$

$$SF_{FR}^{e\text{-fake}} = \frac{FR_{\text{data}}^{e\text{-fake}}}{FR_{\text{MC}}^{e\text{-fake}}}$$

Basic Scale Factor can be calculated for the entire spectrum:

$$SF_{FR}^{e\text{-fake}} = 0.97 \pm 0.01$$

In practice this scale factor is calculated for converted and unconverted photons as well as in bins of  $\eta$  and  $\phi$

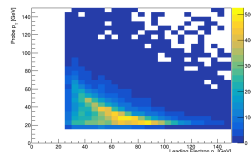
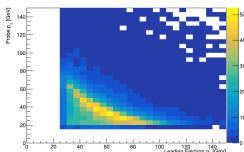
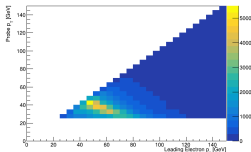
# Data and MC Distributions

► Probe  $e$

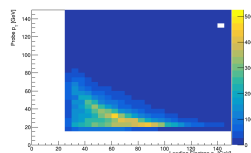
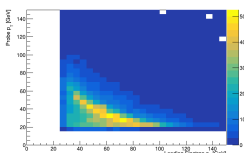
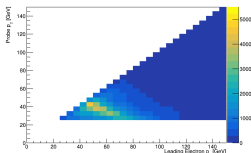
► Converted  $\gamma$

► Unconverted  $\gamma$

Data

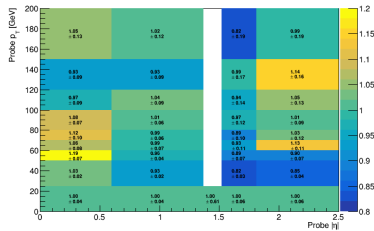


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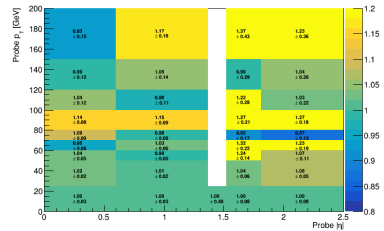


## 2D Fake Rates

### ► Converted $\gamma$

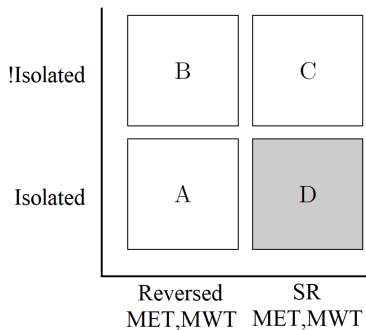


### ► Unconverted $\gamma$



## Fake Rate Studies

Majority of hadronic fake photons from from  $t\bar{t}$  events where a final state jet radiates a non-prompt photon. Similarly radiated photons for  $W$ +jets and single top processes can enter the signal region through the radiation of a non-prompt photon.



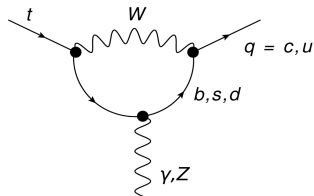
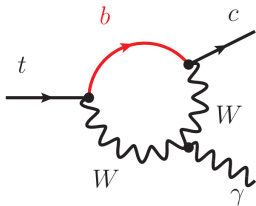
# Outlook

- ▶ As always, still lots to be done
- ▶ Fake Rate:  $e \rightarrow \gamma$  has been investigated, further systematic investigations will continue
- ▶ Fake Rate:  $j \rightarrow \gamma$  to be investigated soon
- ▶ Was able to squeak an extra factor of 2 out of Neural Network since I had to redo it for working points anyway
- ▶ Questions?

# Backup



# FCNC Diagrams



## Jets/AntiKT

$$d_{ij} = \min\left(\frac{1}{p_{ti}^2}, \frac{1}{p_{tj}^2}\right) \frac{\Delta_{ij}^2}{R^2}$$

$$d_{iB} = \frac{1}{p_{ti}^2}$$

$$\Delta_{ij}^2 = (\eta_i - \eta_j)^2 + (\phi_i - \phi_j)^2$$

- ▶ Find minimum of entire set of  $\{d_{ij}, d_{iB}\}$
- ▶ If  $d_{ij}$  is the minimum particles  $i, j$  are combined into one particle and removed from the list of particles
- ▶ If  $d_{iB}$  is the minimum  $i$  is labelled as a final jet and removed from the list of particles
- ▶ Repeat until all particles are part of a jet with distance between jet axes  $\Delta_{ij}$  is greater than  $R$

$$\mathcal{L}_{tq\gamma}^{\text{eff}} = -e\bar{c}\frac{i\sigma^{\mu\nu}q_\nu}{m_t}(\lambda_{ct}^L P_L + \lambda_{ct}^R P_R)tA_\mu + H.c.$$