

# 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

## Fake Rate Studies

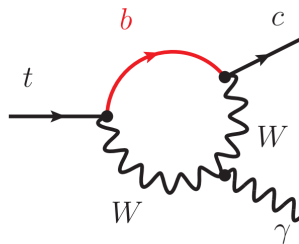
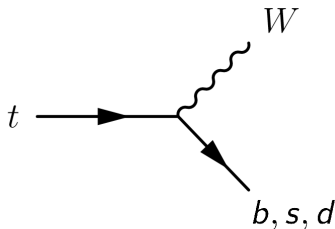
$e \rightarrow \gamma$  Fake Rate Studies  
 $j \rightarrow \gamma$  Fake Rate Studies: ABCD Method

## Asimov Data Initial Fits

Asimov Fit,  $e + \text{jets}$  channel MC16a

## Outlook and Conclusions

# Top Quark Decays in the SM

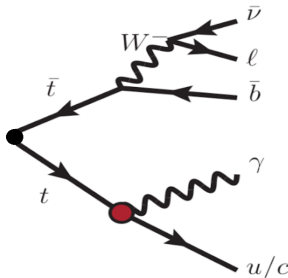


- ▶  $t \rightarrow bW \approx 99.83\%$
- ▶  $t \rightarrow sW \approx 0.16\%$
- ▶  $t \rightarrow dW \approx 0.01\%$
- ▶  $t \rightarrow q_{u,c}X \approx 10^{-17} - 10^{-12}$
- ▶ Limits on  $t \rightarrow \gamma q$  processes:  
[Phys.Lett. B800 135082]
  - ▶  $t \rightarrow \gamma u < 2.8 \times 10^{-5}$
  - ▶  $t \rightarrow \gamma c < 18 \times 10^{-5}$

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

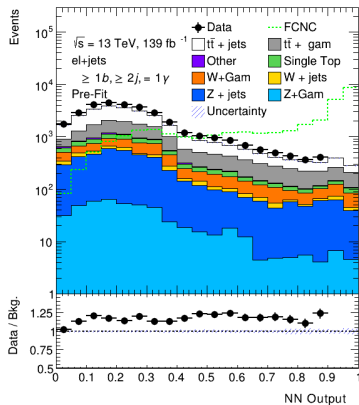
Will further investigate BJets here.

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

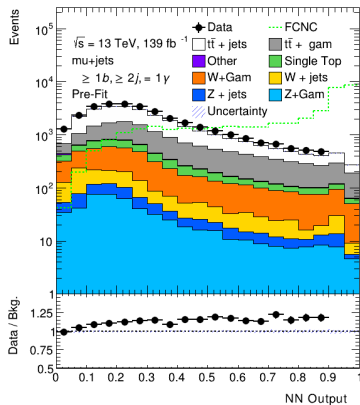


# Preselection NN Outputs

## ► e+jets



## ► $\mu$ +jets



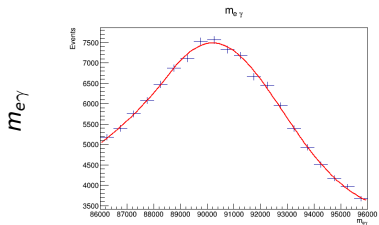
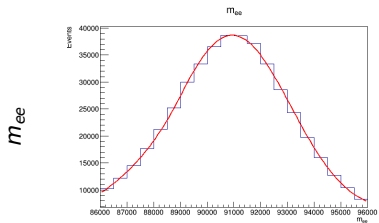
## Fake Rate Object Selection

- ▶ 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

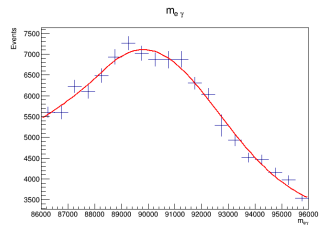
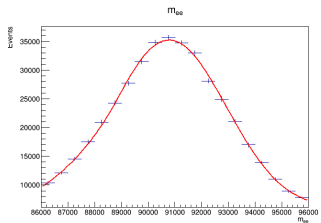
$m_{ee}, m_{e\gamma}$

Data and MC

► Data



► Monte Carlo



## Scale Factor

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

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

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  $\phi$

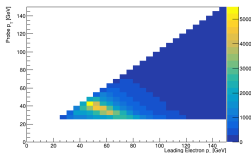
- ▶ Converted photons pair produce before the ECAL leaving tracks in the Inner Detector
- ▶ Unconverted photons only pair produce inside of the ECAL



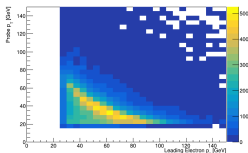
# Data and MC Distributions

Data

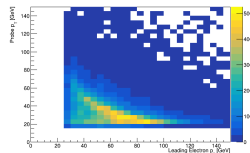
► Probe  $e$



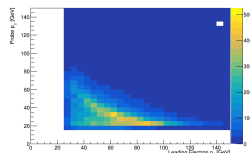
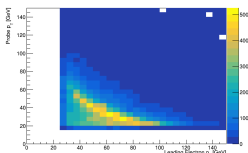
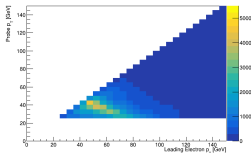
► Converted  $\gamma$



► Unconverted  $\gamma$

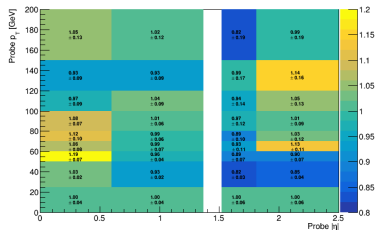


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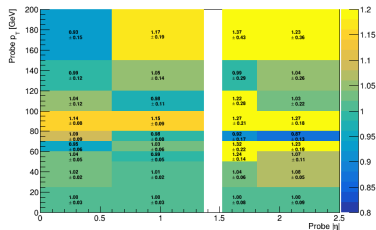


## 2D Fake Rates

### ► Converted $\gamma$

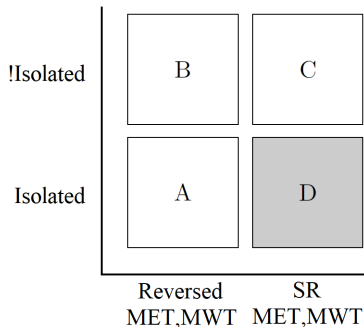


### ► Unconverted $\gamma$



## $j \rightarrow \gamma$ 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.



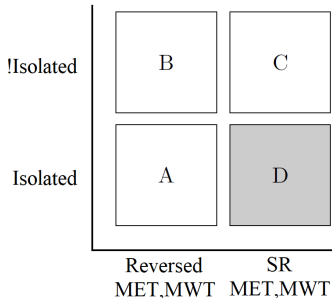
# ABCD Method

$$\frac{N_D^{\text{h-fake}}}{N_C^{\text{h-fake}}} = \frac{N_A^{\text{h-fake}}}{N_B^{\text{h-fake}}} \text{ and } \frac{N_D^{\text{h-fake}}}{N_A^{\text{h-fake}}} = \frac{N_C^{\text{h-fake}}}{N_B^{\text{h-fake}}}$$

Want uncorrelated variables, use a correction factor to account to ensure closure

$$\theta_{\text{MC}} = \frac{N_{D,\text{MC}}^{\text{h-fake}} / N_{C,\text{MC}}^{\text{h-fake}}}{N_{A,\text{MC}}^{\text{h-fake}} / N_{B,\text{MC}}^{\text{h-fake}}}$$

$$N_{D,\text{est.}}^{\text{h-fake}} = \frac{N_{A,\text{data}}^{\text{h-fake}} \times N_{C,\text{data}}^{\text{h-fake}}}{N_{B,\text{data}}^{\text{h-fake}}} \times \theta_{\text{MC}}$$

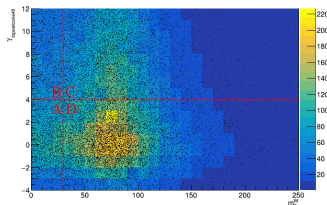
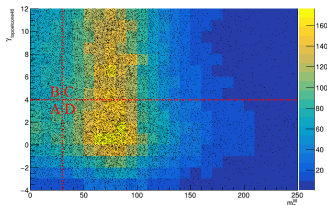


$$SF^{\text{h-fake}} = \frac{N_{D,\text{est.}}^{\text{h-fake}}}{N_{D,\text{MC}}^{\text{h-fake}}}$$

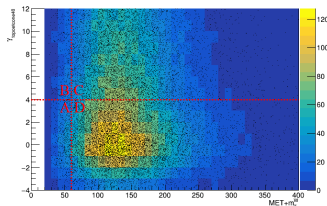
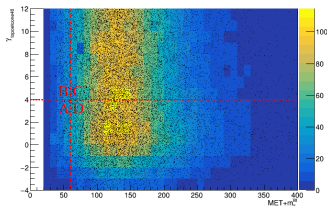
► Converted Photons

► Unconverted Photons

e channel



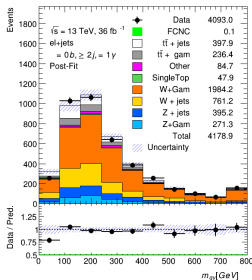
$\mu$  channel



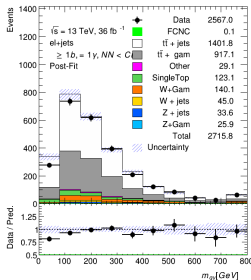
Channel:	Converted	Unconverted
Electron Channel	$1.28 \pm 0.34$	$1.99 \pm 0.52$
Muon Channel	$1.23 \pm 0.50$	$2.27 \pm 0.92$

# Asimov Data Post-Fit

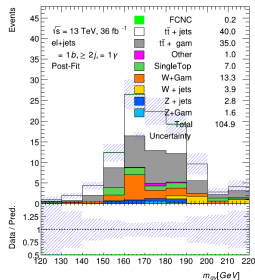
## ► VR1, $W+\gamma$



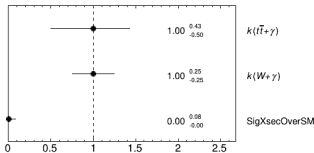
## ► VR2: $t\bar{t} + \gamma$



## ► Signal Region



Nominal signal strength  $\mu = 1.0 \Rightarrow \text{Branching Ratio} = 10^{-3}$



## Statistical Limit from Asimov Fit

- ▶ Expected signal strength  $\mu = 0.13^{+0.05}_{-0.04}$
- ▶ Corresponds to  $\text{BR}(t \rightarrow q\gamma) = 13 \times 10^{-5}$
- ▶ Extrapolation to full data set limit:  $\text{BR}(t \rightarrow q\gamma) \approx 4 \times 10^{-5}$

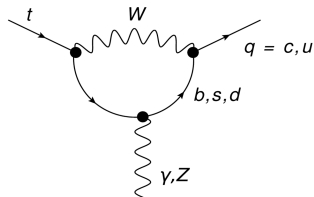
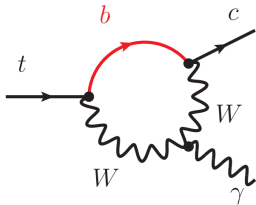
# Outlook

- ▶ Fake rates calculated
- ▶ Full systematics samples almost done, one major sample being run locally
- ▶ Fitting machinery in place
- ▶ Internal note draft started, complete first draft expected by end of February
  - ▶ Will be hosted here: `gitlab:fcnc-tqgam-decay-intnote`
- ▶ New post-doc joining the project to help push toward publication either alone or in combination with production mode



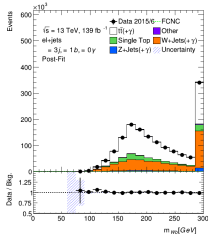
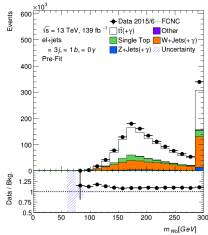
# Backup

# FCNC Diagrams

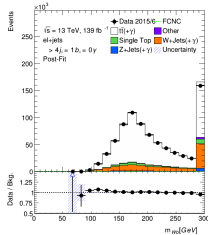
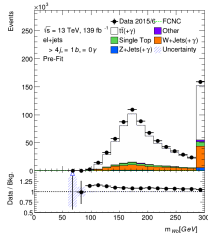


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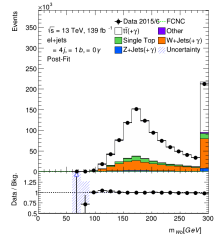
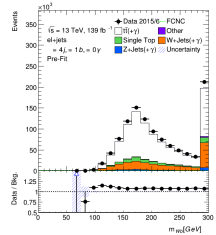
## ► W+jets Rich



## ► $t\bar{t}$ +jets Rich



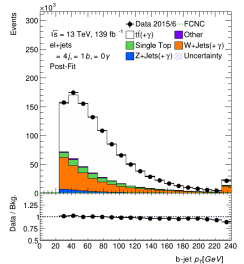
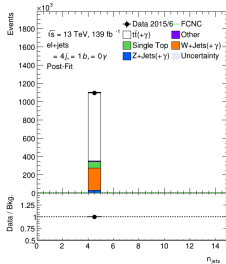
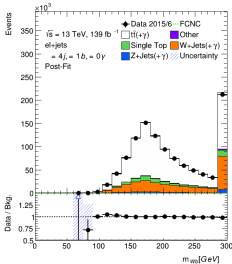
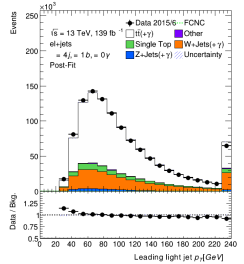
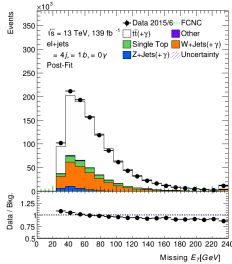
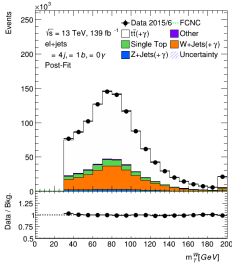
## ► Validation Region



Before SF

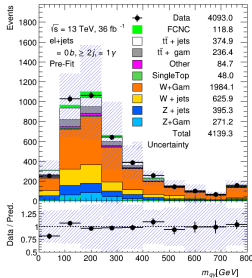
SF Applied

# No Photon Region SF Applied in Val Region

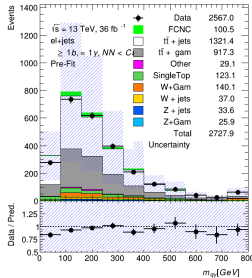


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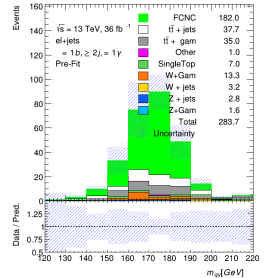
## ► VR1, $W+\gamma$



## ► VR2: $t\bar{t} + \gamma$



## ► Signal Region



# 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  $R$

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