



Performance of b jet identification with the ATLAS detector at CERN

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The ATLAS detector



- ATLAS (A Toroidal LHC ApparatuS) is one of the two general purpose detectors placed at one of the collision points of LHC ring at CERN.
- At 46 m long, 25 m high and 25 m wide, the 7000-tonne ATLAS detector is the largest volume particle detector ever constructed.
- It sits in a cavern 100 m below ground near the main CERN site, close to the village of Meyrin in Switzerland.











The identification of jets originating from B-hadrons (b-tagging) is crucial for many interesting physics signatures at the Large Hadron Collider (LHC):

- Top quarks decay into W bosons and b-quarks about 100% of the time
- The Standard Model Higgs boson predominantly decays into b-anti b-quark pairs
- Many searches for new physics, e.g. supersymmetry, involve final states with b-quarks

The b-tagging performance is characterized by b-tagging efficiency (the probability to correctly identify a b-jet) and mistag rate (the probability to misidentify a jet not originating from a B-hadron as a b-jet).

The b-tagging calibration : Connection of b-tagging efficiency & mistag rate for discrepancies between Monte Carlo simulation and data.



Event display of Higgs boson decayng to a b-anti b quark pair.

How B-tagging works



The long lifetime of hadrons with b-quarks (1.5 *10^-12 s), compared to other particles (e.g. Higgs boson lives for 10^- 22 s) results in a typical decay topology with at least one vertex displaced from the primary vertex from the hard-scattering collision.

Identification of the b-quark jets is based on distinct strategies encoded in three basic algorithms:

- An impact parameter based algorithm (IP), an inclusive secondary vertex reconstruction algorithm (SV) and a decay chain multi-vertex reconstruction algorithm (JetFitter) !
- The output of these algorithms are combined in a multivariate discriminant (MV2) which provides the best separation between the different jet flavors.

Basic B tagging algorithms



IP2D and IP3D: The Impact Parameter-based tagging Algorithms :

Input of IP2D/IP3D: transverse and longitudinal impact parameter significance of each track associated to the jet to form a per-track 2D template that takes correlations into account

•Log likelihood ratio (LLR) calculated and Reference histograms are separated in categories depending on the hit pattern of a given track



Secondary Vertex Finding Algorithm (SV) :

 Reconstructing an inclusive displaced secondary vertex within the jet
 Single secondary vertex built by combining all track pairs except when compatible with conversion, V0 decays or material interactions



Decay Chain Multi-Vertex Algorithm (Jet Fitter) :

- Decay chain multi-vertex reconstruction algorithm exploiting the topology of b/c-hadron decays inside a jet
- Properties of the decay topology and secondary vertices reconstructed by the algorithm

Multivariate MV2 Algorithm and flavour-tagging performance

- MV2 attempts to combine the most relevant information about the origin of tracks based on low level b-taggers.
- Steps of this algorithm are the following :
- Combining output of the three basic taggers (IP, SV, JF) with a Boosted Decision Tree (BDT) algorithm.
- > Training of the classifier performed on b, c and light-flavour jets from ttbar events.
- ➤ Kinematic properties of the jets (pT/eta) included among the input variables → b, c and light flavour jets are reweighted to the same pt and eta spectrum.





B-tagging performance











- Mistags occur as a result of finite detector resolution, presence of long-lived particles, and material interactions. As these effects can be different between the experimental data and simulation, it is important to measure the b-tagging performance in data and derive the correction factors for the simulation.
- The prevalent methods of mistag rate calibration include Negative tag method, MC based method and Direct tag method etc. Negative tag rate method has been the standard method so far for ATLAS collaboration.



Negative Tag method





This is the default method used by ATLAS experiment.
 For tracks from fragmentation, positive and negative lifetime tracks are equally likely.

- > The mistag rate is defined as : $\varepsilon_{I} = \varepsilon_{inc}^{neg} * k_{II} * k_{hf}$ where, $K_{II} = \varepsilon_{I} / \varepsilon_{I}^{neg} \qquad \& k_{hf} = \varepsilon_{I}^{neg} / \varepsilon_{inc}^{neg}$
- The term K_{II} accounts for positive/negative asymmetry in light jets (due to secondaries and negative taggers themselves)
- And the term k_{hf} accounts for heavy flavor contamination in multi-jet events after tagging is applied.
- But the parameters K_{II} and k_{hf} are derived on simulation using this method, hence it has systematic uncertainties.
- High negative/positive tag asymmetry observed (k_{II} up to 10-15 already for ε_b=70%)
- Significant heavy flavor contamination has been observed (k_{hf} from 0.05 to 0.35)
- And when we don't know b & C jet fractions of data, uncertainties could be very large !



Why we need an alternative method



- Mistags are due to (1) Impact Parameter and Secondary Vertex resolution, and
 (2) long lived particles, fakes, interactions in material
- > At loose working points, (1) prevails, at tight working points, (2) prevails
- Negative tag rate method can only directly measure (1) -> calibrate loose WPs, tight WPs are dominated by (2) -> MC driven systematic uncertainties

Alternative procedure: direct tag method

- ➢ Get b/c templates from MC
- For the start, get light template from MC and fix the last four bins (70-60,60-50, 50-30, 30-0)
- Let the first three bins (100-85, 85-77, 77-70) of the light template float in the fit, extract the fractions of b/c/light jets and calculate the mistag rate and data/MC scale factors



How template fit in Direct tag method works





Template fit for pt bin 1 for central eta







Using 2017 reconstruction



Flavor fraction for central eta

In the above plots : Red lines are MC, black points are Data, green color is representing systematic uncertainties.
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Conclusions



- > B tagging is a very important task for many Physics results at the LHC.
- > Newly developed Direct tag method is working very well for providing Light jet calibration.
- Flavor fractions for both b and c jets, which have been a major issues with previous release, are looking better.
- Results are compared to the results of standard/default (Negative tag) method. And they are looking comparable and sometimes better.
- Direct Tag method has the potential to stand as a complementary method for light jet calibration in ATLAS.
- We hope, Direct tag method will contribute to the official Physics results of ATLAS for providing better b-tagging performance soon.



Backup slides



How Direct Tag method works





Documentation : https://cds.cern.ch/record/2309425/

Scale Factors integrated using 2016 reconstruction



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For Pythia

For HERWIG



Comparison between Direct tag & Negative tag rate results for Fixed Cut B Efficiencies



For Direct tag :



For Negative tag :