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Quark charge determination: status and requirements

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Outline of this talk

- **Why quark charge determination is important for physics**
- **Measuring quark charge: vertex charge and charge dipole procedure**
- **Sensitivity of vertex charge reconstruction to detector design: fast MC results**
- **LCFI Vertex Package: software tools for full MC studies including quark charge**
- **Aspects of the vertex detector design that studies of quark charge can help optimise**

Dependence of physics reach on detector performance

- **Flavour tag** needed for event selection and reduction of combinatoric backgrounds
- **Quark charge sign determination** used for measurement of A_{LR} ,
angular correlations (→ top polarisation) – **vertex detector performance crucial**

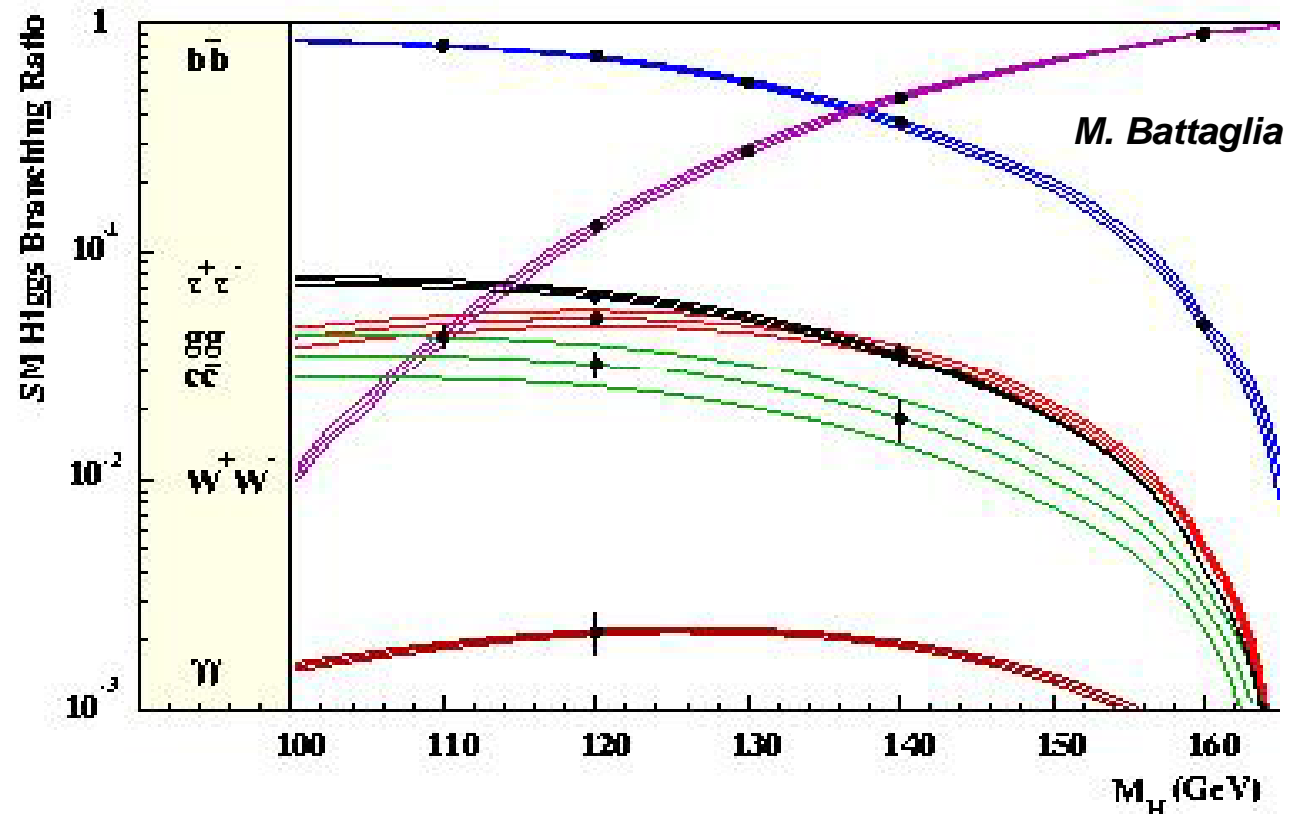
➤ Examples:

• **Higgs branching ratios:**

classical example of a process
relying on flavour tag

• **$e^+e^- \rightarrow ZHH$:**

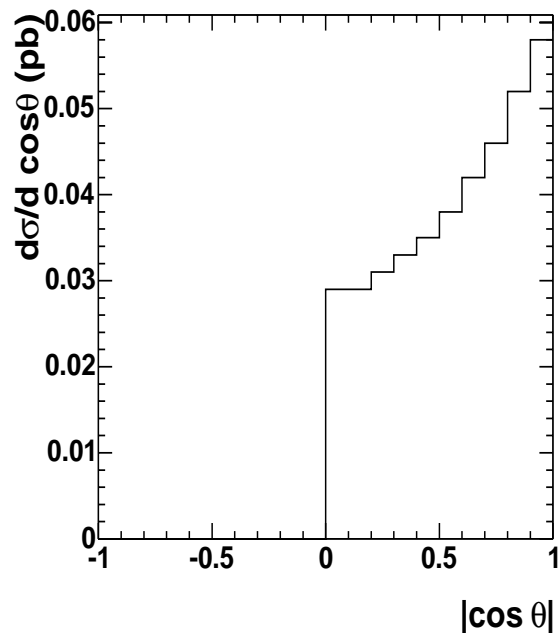
4 b-jets in final state requiring
excellent tagging performance;
could profit from quark charge
sign selection



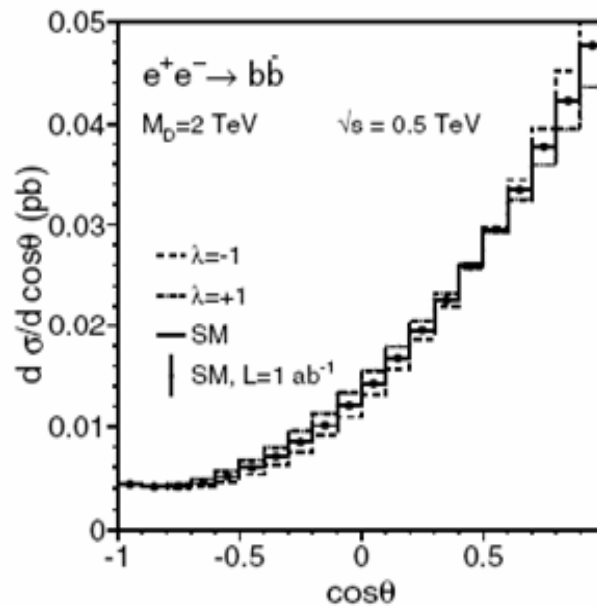
Processes requiring quark sign selection: $e^+e^- \rightarrow b \bar{b}$

- $e^+e^- \rightarrow b\bar{b}$: indirect sensitivity to new physics, such as extra spatial dimensions, leptoquarks, Z' , R-parity violating scalar particles (Riemann, LC-TH-2001-007, Hewett PRL 82 (1999) 4765); quark charge sign selection to large $\cos \theta$ needed to unfold cross section and measure A_{LR} :

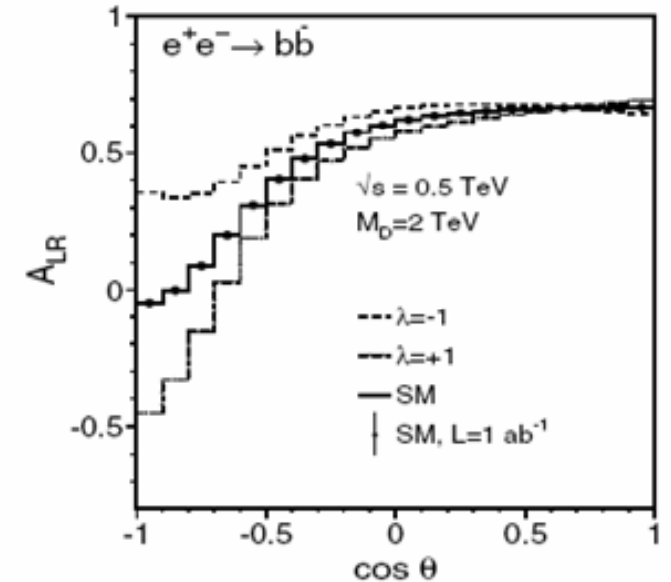
Sensitivity to deviations of extra-dimensions model from SM prediction (S. Riemann):



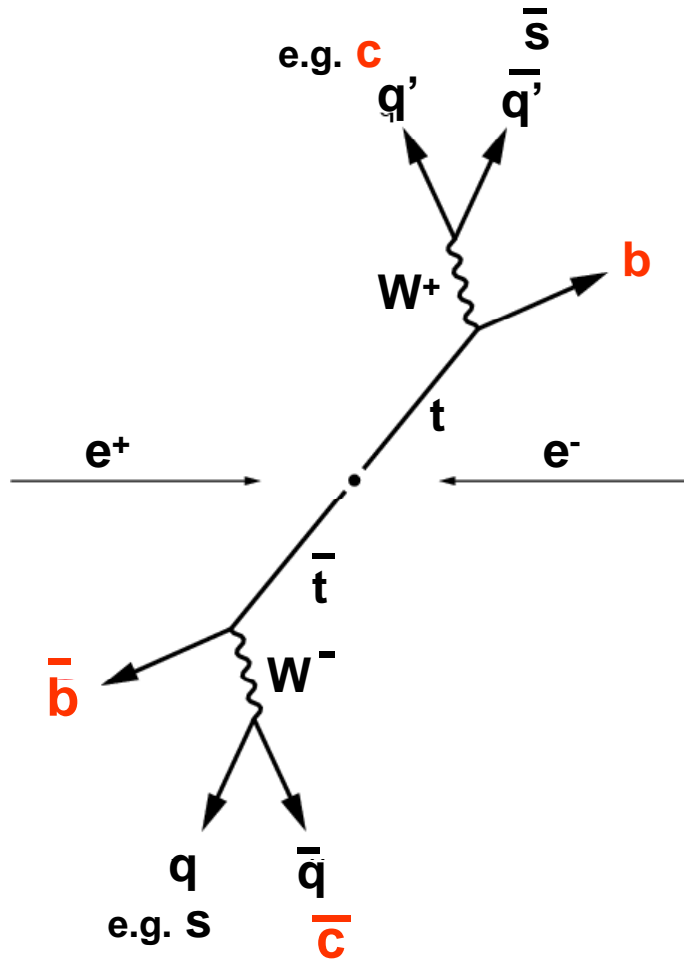
without quark sign selection



with perfect quark sign selection



Processes requiring quark sign selection: $e^+e^- \rightarrow t \bar{t}$



- $e^+e^- \rightarrow t \bar{t}$ demanding for vertex detector:
- multijet event: final state likely to include soft jets some of which at large polar angle
- flavour tag needed to reconstruct the virtual W bosons and top-quarks
- quark charge sign selection will help to reduce combinatoric backgrounds
- top decays before it can hadronise: polarisation of top quark can be measured from polarisation of its decay products; best measured from angular distribution of s-jet (quark charge)

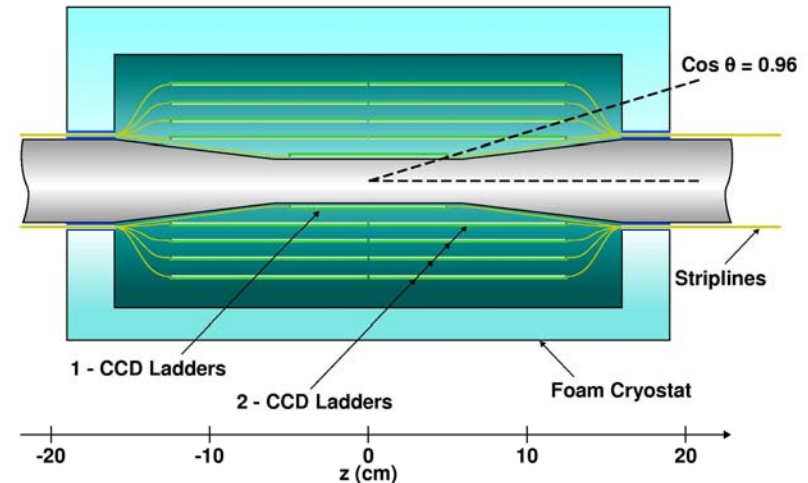
a typical $e^+e^- \rightarrow t \bar{t}$ event

Measuring quark charge

To measure quark charge efficiently one needs:

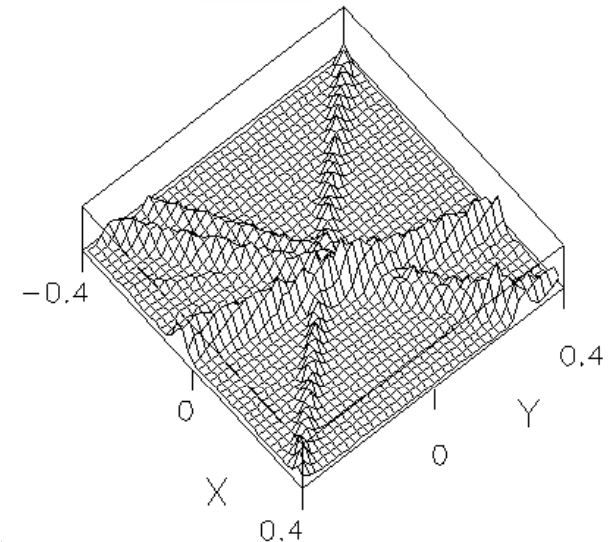
➤ **an excellent vertex detector:**

- pixel-based system
- few micron point resolution
- small inner layer radius
- good polar angle coverage
- low mass support structure
- mechanical stability



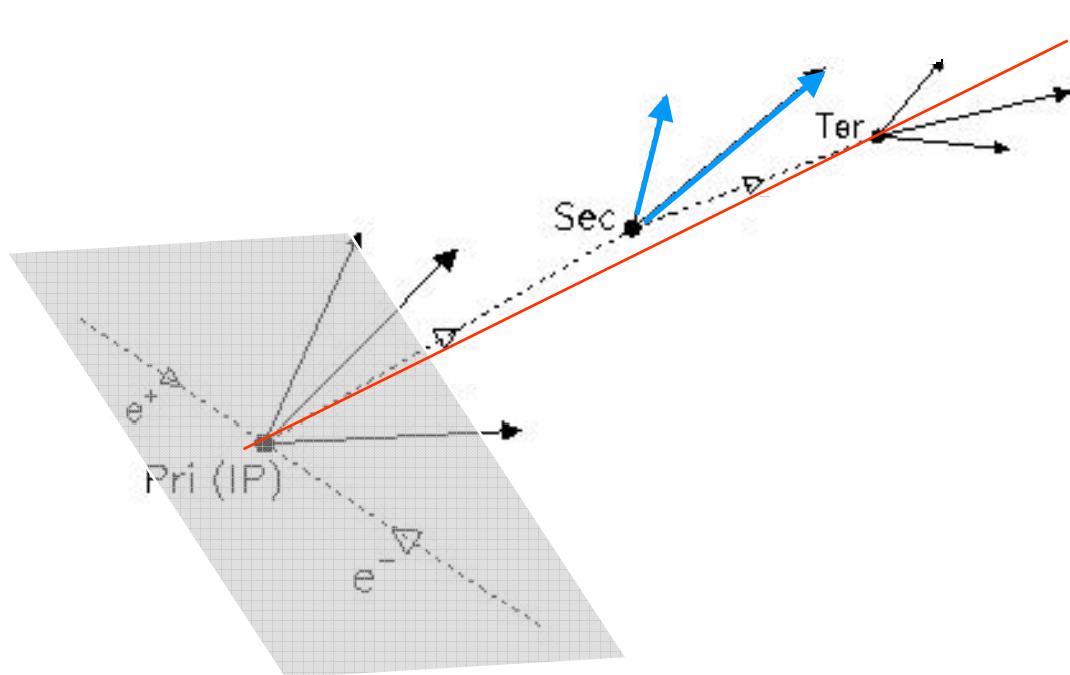
➤ **appropriate high-level reconstruction software, e.g.:**

- topological vertex finding
- flavour tagging
- vertex charge reconstruction (charged hadrons)
- charge dipole reconstruction (neutral B hadrons)



Vertex charge reconstruction

- **b-jets contain a complex decay chain, from which the charge has to be found**
- **in the 40% of cases where b quark hadronises to charged B-hadron, quark sign can be determined by vertex charge**



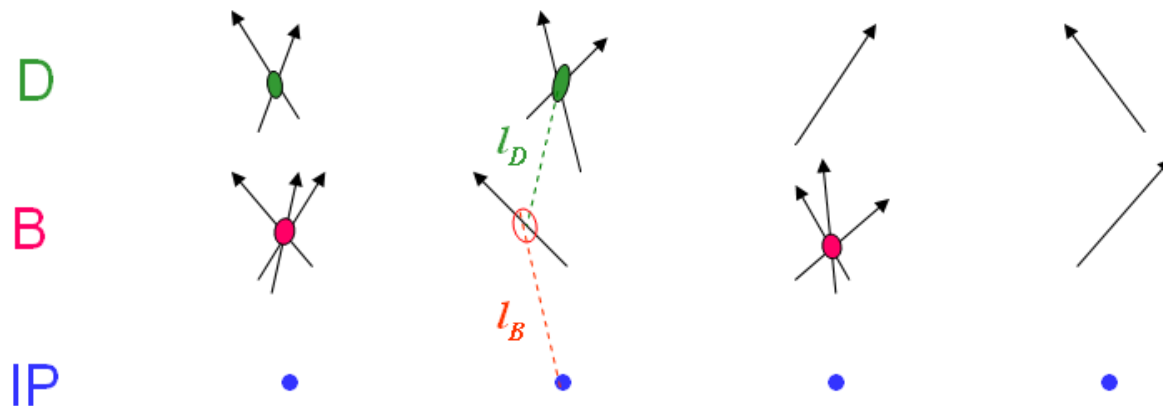
- **need to find all stable tracks from B decay chain:**

- **define seed axis**
- **cut on L/D (normalised distance between IP and projection of track POCA onto seed axis)**
- **tracks that form vertices other than IP are assigned regardless of their L/D**

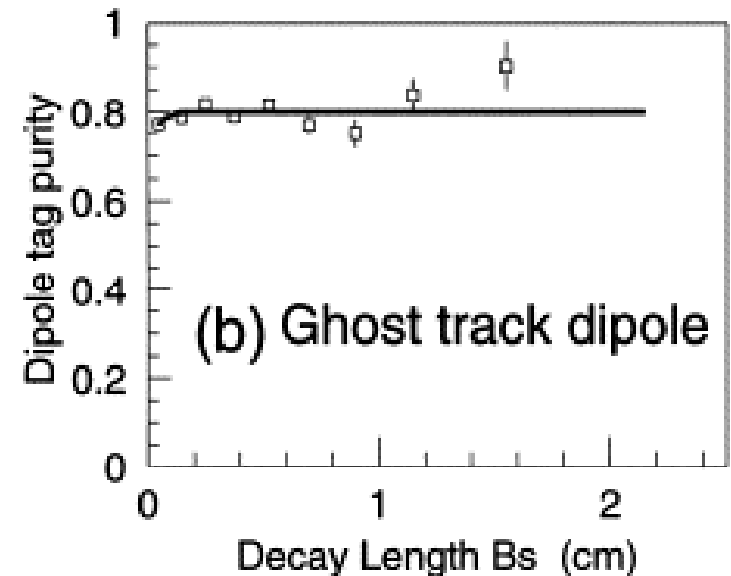
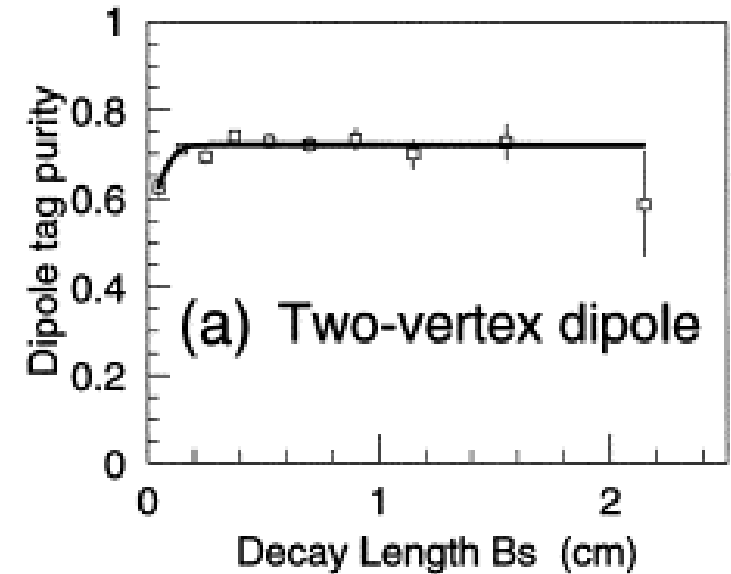
- **need vertex finding as prerequisite (definition of seed axis)**
- **in most analyses, only calculate charge for jet of specific flavour: need flavour tagging**
- **probability of mis-reconstructing vertex charge is small for both charged and neutral cases**

Charge dipole procedure

- For neutral vertices, quark charge is obtained from the charge dipole formed by B- and D-decay vertex.
- “ghost track” vertexing algorithm (aka ZVKIN) developed at SLD, was shown to yield higher purity for charge dipole than standard ZVTOP code (ZVRES, cf p12)
- advantage: one-prong vertices identified by vertex finder → increased efficiency, especially at short B decay lengths
- at ILC, charge dipole procedure still to be explored

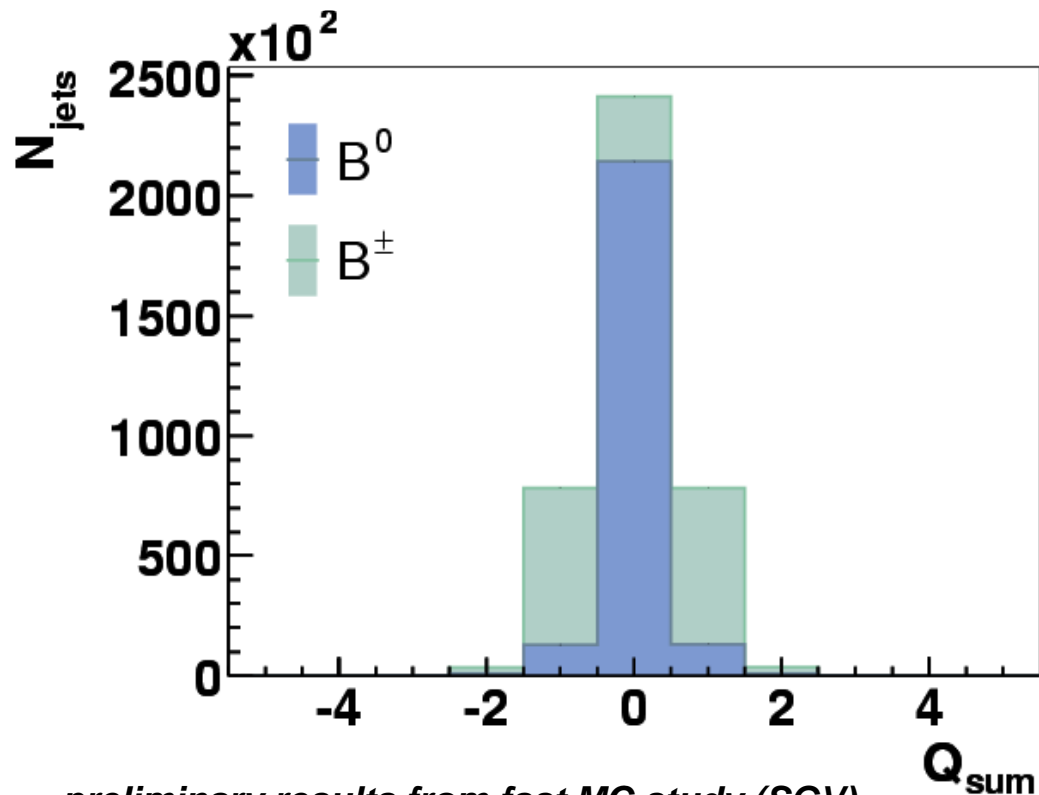


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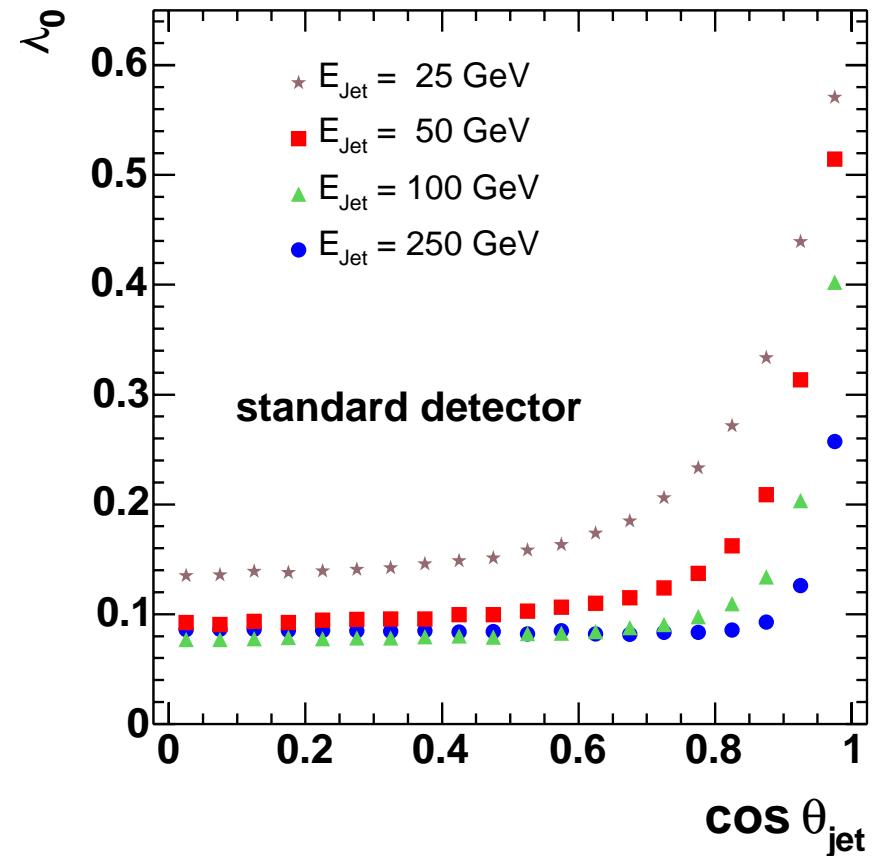


Performance of charge reconstruction: leakage rates

- define **leakage rate** λ_0 as **probability of reconstructing neutral hadron as charged**
- performance strongly depends on low momentum tracks:
largest sensitivity to detector design for low jet energy, large $\cos \theta$

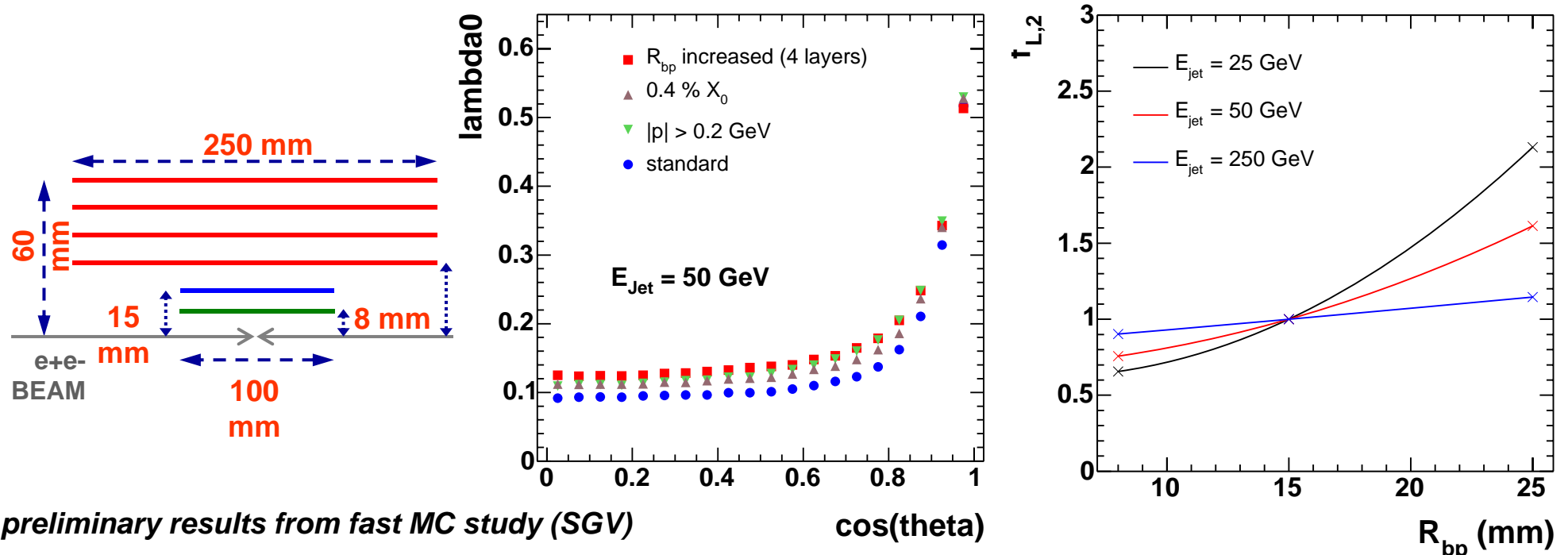


preliminary results from fast MC study (SGV)



Using vertex charge for detector optimisation

- Using fast MC SGV, studied dependence of leakage rate on vertex detector design:
 - compared detectors with different inner layer radii (→ beam pipe radii)
 - varied amount of material per detector layer (factor 4 compared to baseline)
- translated into integrated luminosity required to obtain physics results of same significance for processes requiring independent quark charge measurement in 2 jets, increase of beam pipe from 15 to 25 mm has sizeable effect (factor 1.5 – 2)



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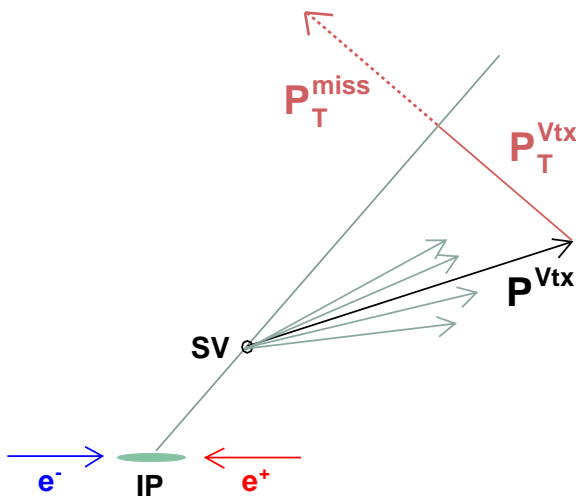
The LCFI Vertex Package

- **The LCFIVertex package provides, in a full MC and reconstruction framework:**
 - vertex finder ZVRES with branches ZVTOP and ZVKIN (new in ILC environment)
 - flavour tagging based on neural net approach (algorithm: R. Hawkings, LC-PHSM-2000-021; includes full neural net package; flexible to allow change of inputs, network architecture)
 - quark charge determination, currently only for jets with a charged 'heavy flavour hadron'
- **first version of the code released end of April 2007:**

code, default flavour tag networks and documentation available from the ILC software portal <http://www-flc.desy.de/ilcsoft/ilcsoftware/LCFIVertex>
- **next version planned to be released shortly after ALCPG 2007:**
 - minor corrections, e.g. to vertex charge algorithm; further documentation
 - diagnostic features to check inputs and outputs
 - module to derive fit parameters used in joint probability calculation (flavour tag input)
 - new vertex fitter based on Kalman filter to improve run-time performance
- **for longer term plans see LCFI WP1 presentation at the Vertex Detector Review**

ZVTOP vertex finder, Pt-corrected mass

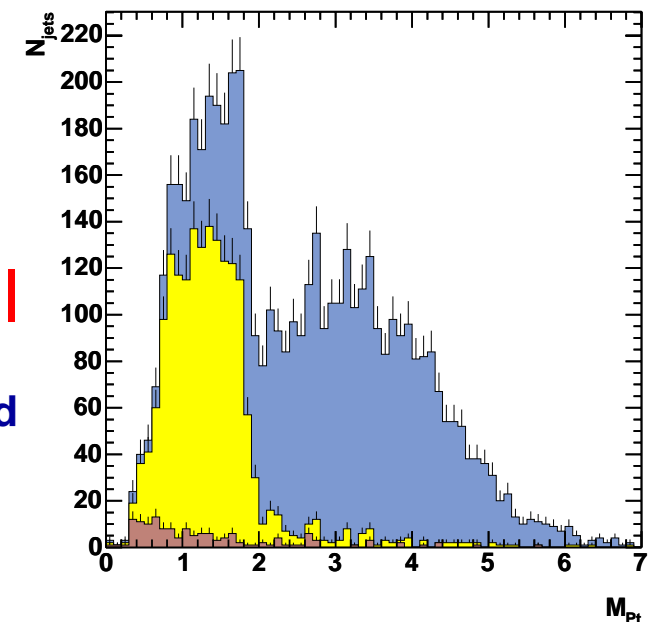
- **two branches: ZVRES and ZVKIN** (already mentioned when discussing charge dipole)
- **The ZVRES algorithm** (*D. Jackson, NIM A 388 (1997) 247*)
very general algorithm that can cope with arbitrary multi-prong decay topologies
 - ‘vertex function’ calculated from Gaussian ‘probability tubes’ representing tracks
 - iteratively search 3D-space for maxima of this function and minimise χ^2 of vertex fit



- **central for flavour tag:**
pT-corrected vertex mass

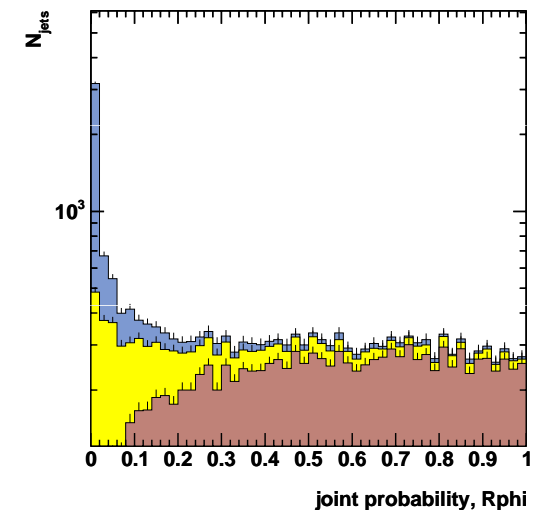
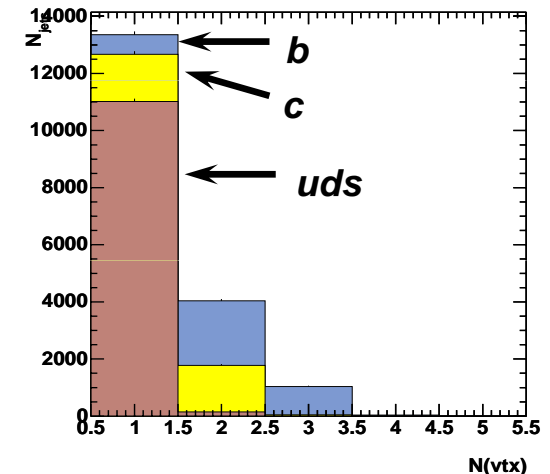
$$M_{Pt} = \sqrt{M_{Vtx}^2 + |P_T^{Vtx}|^2 + |P_T^{miss}|^2}$$

- **this kinematic correction is applied to partly account for undetected neutral particles**

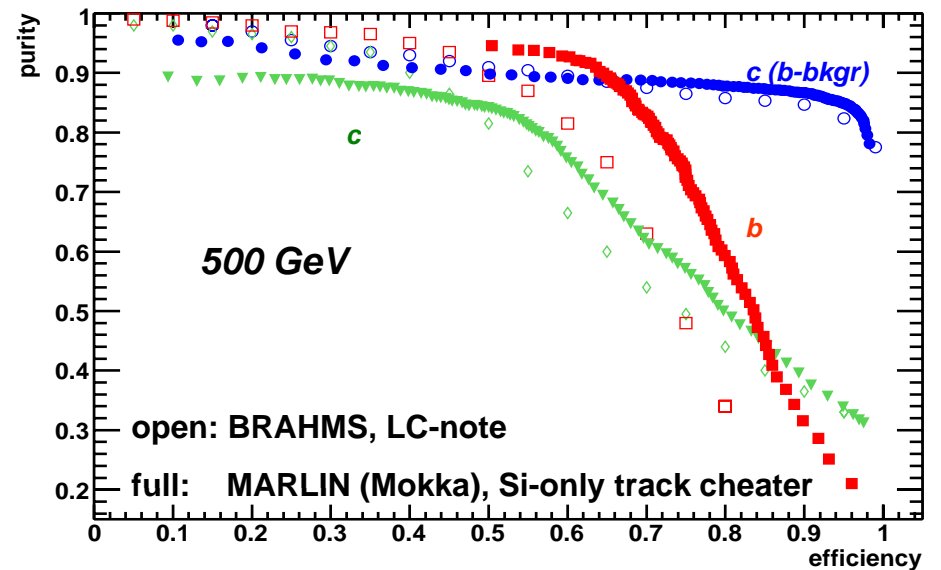
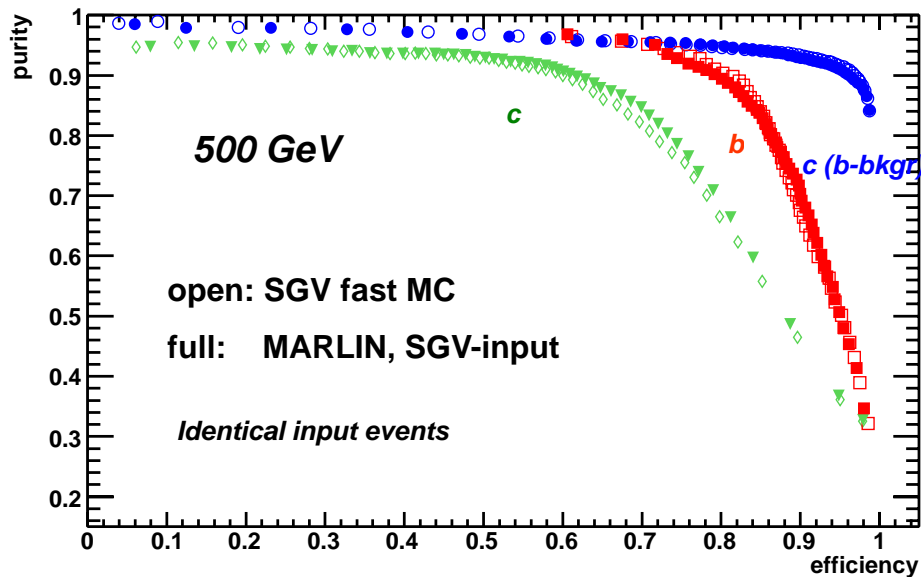
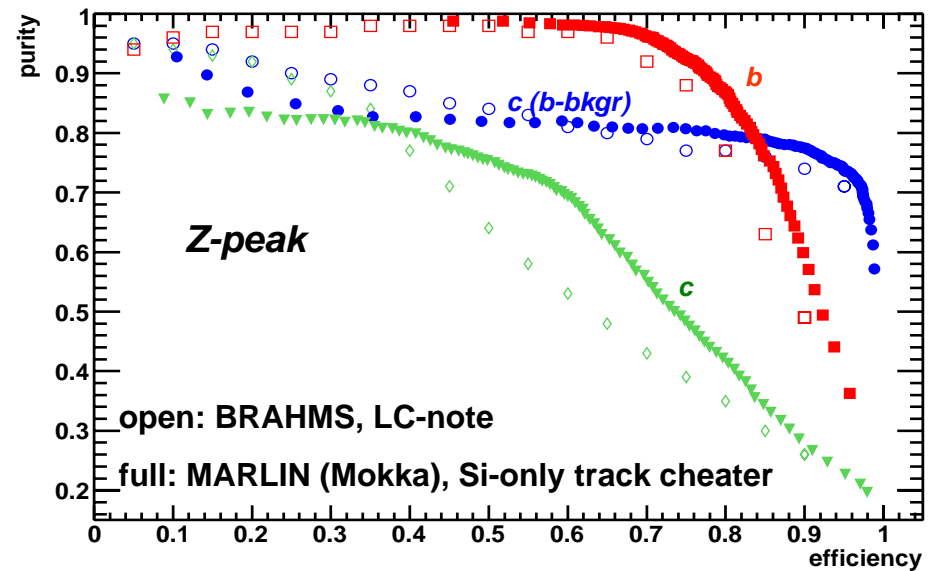
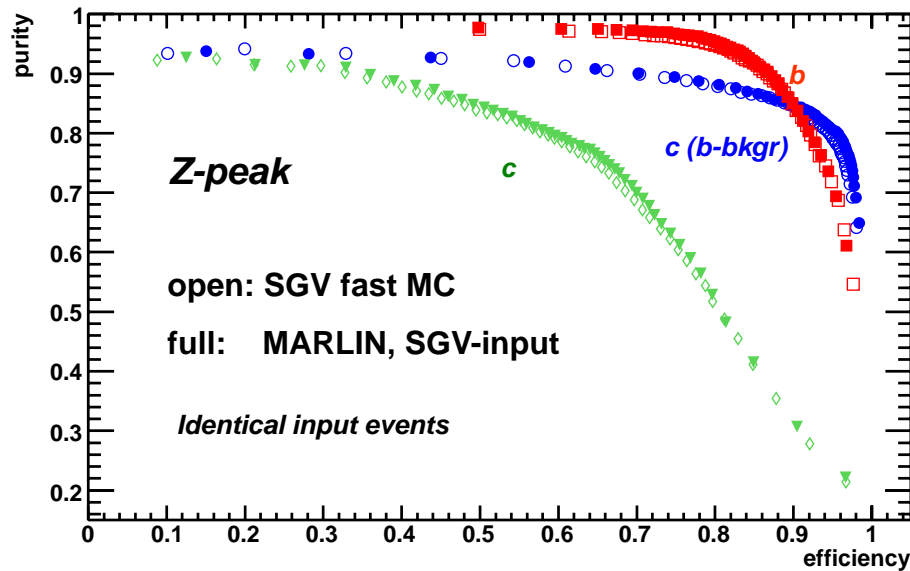


Flavour tagging approach

- **Vertex package provides flavour tag procedure developed by R. Hawkings et al (LC-PHSM-2000-021) as default**
- **number of vertices found determines which NN input variables are used:**
 - **if secondary vertex found: M_{Pt} , momentum of secondary vertex, and its decay length and decay length significance**
 - **if only primary vertex found: momentum and impact parameter significance in R- ϕ and z for the two most-significant tracks in the jet**
 - **in both cases: joint probability in R- ϕ and z (estimator of probability for all tracks to originate from primary vertex)**
- **flexible: permits user to change input variables, architecture and training algorithm of NN**



Flavour tagging performance (RDR results)



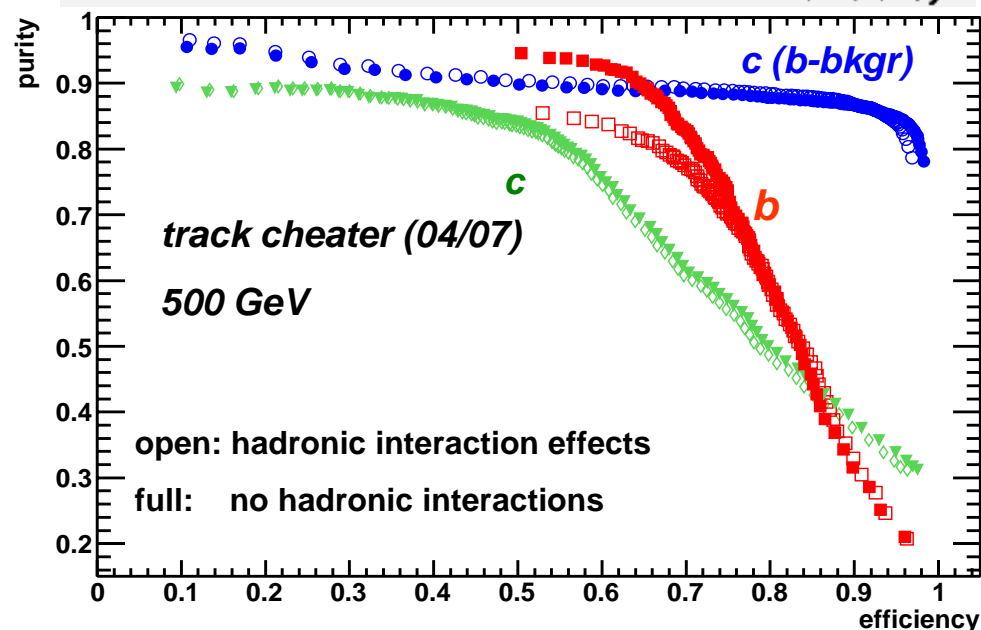
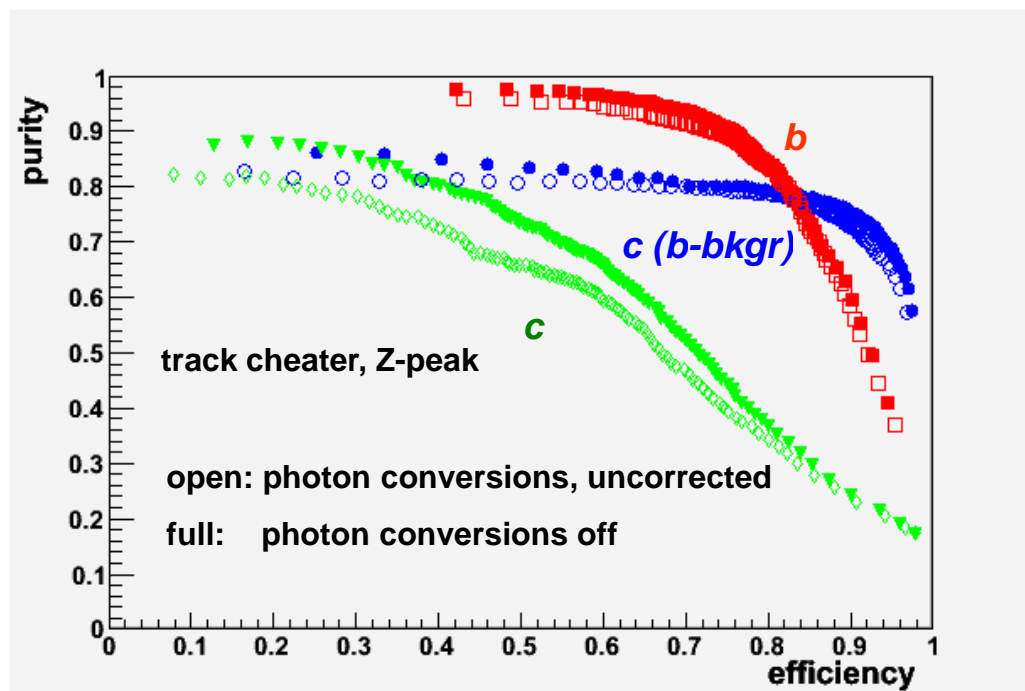
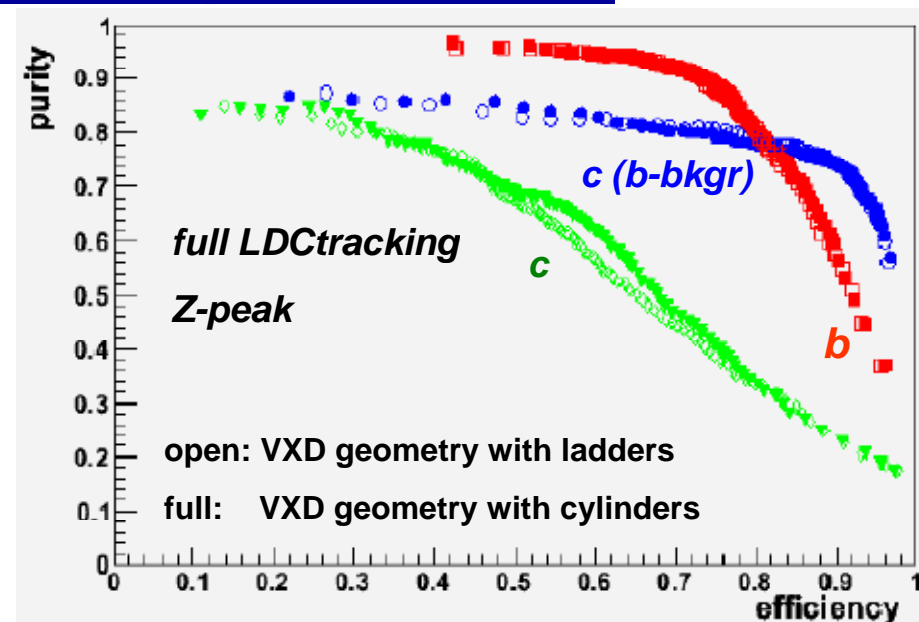
Towards a realistic simulation

- **Current simulations are based on many approximations / oversimplifications.**
The resulting error on performance is at present unknown and could be sizable,
especially when looking at particular regions in jet energy, polar angle (forward region!)

- **Issues to improve:**
 - **Vertex detector model:** replace model with cylindrical layers by model with barrel staves
 - **GEANT4:** switched off photon conversions for time being (straightforward to correct)
 - **hit reconstruction:** using simple Gaussian smearing at present; realistic code exists only for DEPFET sensor technology, not for CPCCDs and ISIS sensors developed by LCFI
 - **track selection:**
 - **K_S and Λ decay tracks suppressed using MC information**
 - **tracks from hadronic interactions in the detector material discarded using MC info – only works for detector model LDC01Sc (used for code validation) at present**
 - **current default parameters of the code optimised with fast MC or old BRAHMS (GEANT3) code**
 - **default flavour tag networks were trained with fast MC**

Examples of impact of simplifications

- effects of simplifications can be sizeable;
- **note: photon conversions and hadronic interactions in detector material can efficiently be corrected for**
- currently making initial checks needed for implementing these corrections



Parameters and aspects of design to be optimised

- **The Vertex Package, embedded into full MC and reconstruction frameworks, permits the following aspects of the vertex detector design to be optimised:**
 - **Beam pipe radius**
 - **Sensor thickness, material amount at the ends of the barrel staves**
 - **Material amount and type of mechanical support (e.g. RVC, Silicon carbide foams)**
 - **Overlap of sensors: linked to sensor alignment, tolerances for sensor positions along the beam & perpendicular to it**
 - **Arrangement of barrel staves**
 - **Long barrel vs short barrel plus endcap geometry**

- **Study of trade-offs, involving variations of more than one parameter, should be aimed at**

- **Physics simulation results will be only one of the inputs that determine the detector design – the more decisive input may well be provided by what is technically feasible.**

Additional Material

The ZVTOP vertex finder

D. Jackson,

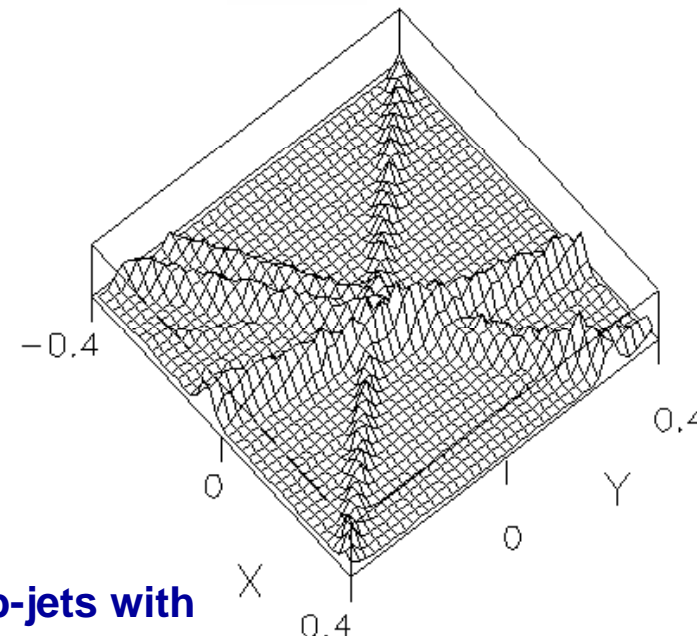
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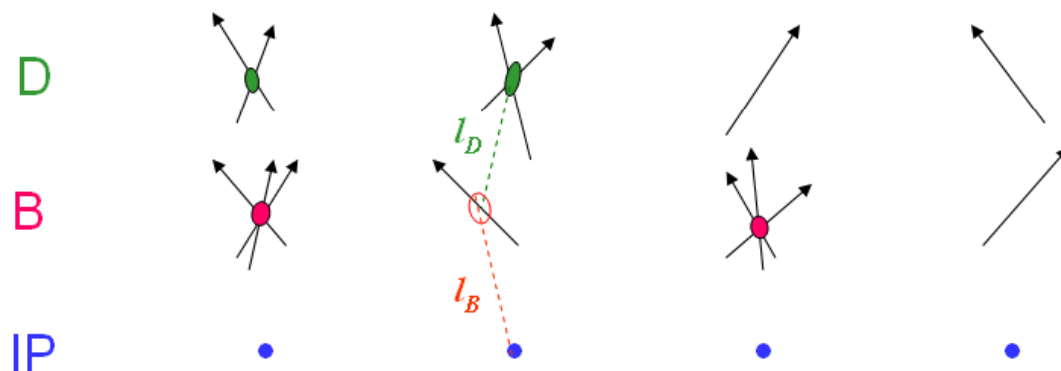
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➤ **ZVKIN: more specialised algorithm to extend coverage to b-jets with 1-pronged vertices and / or a short-lived B-hadron not resolved from the IP**



- **additional kinematic information (IP-, B-, D-decay vertex approximately lie on a straight line) used to find vertices**
- **should improve flavour tag efficiency and determination of vertex charge**