

Estimation of QCD Multijet Background for Top Antitop Events from Data

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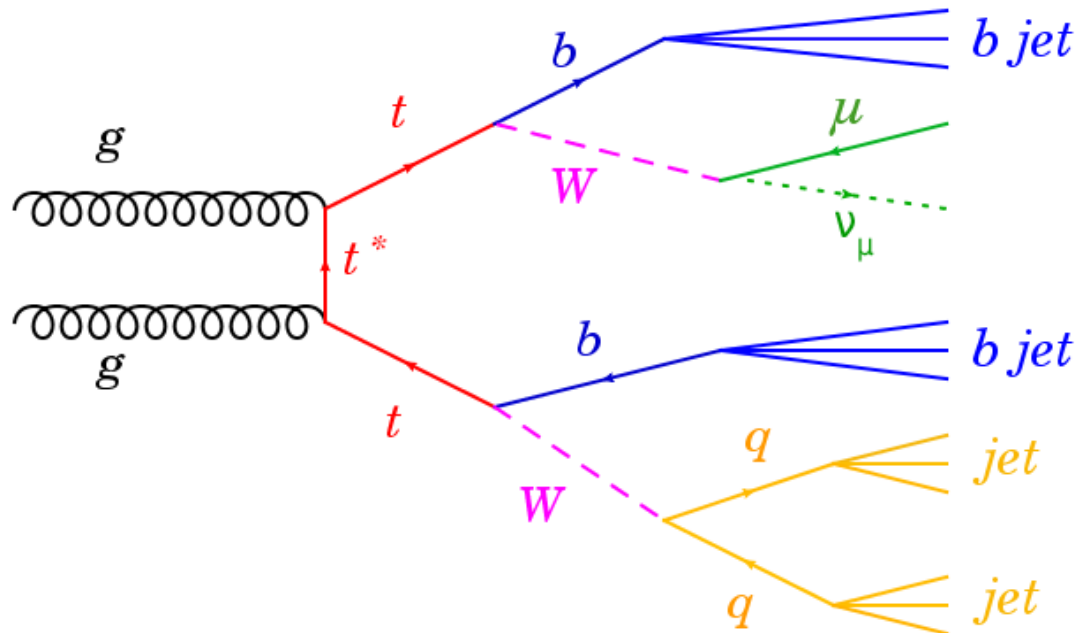


Overview

- Samples and Signal
- Method for background estimation from data
- Robustness of the method
- Summary and Outlook

Top-Quark

Top-Signal: semileptonic with muon in final state



Important backgrounds:

- **QCD Multijet Events**
(this analysis)
- $W + n$ Jets
- $t\bar{t}$ full hadronic
- $t\bar{t}$ dileptonic muon

Used Samples

- incl $t\bar{t}$ + n jets (CSA07)
- W + n jets (CSA07)
- **QCD μ enriched**: μ are selected on generator level with minimum p_T of 15 GeV. No decay in flight.

Selection to ensure high QCD statistics:

- four jets with $E_T > 20$ GeV and $|\eta| < 2.4$
- one muon with $p_T > 20$ GeV and $|\eta| < 2.1$

Matrix Method

$$N_{loose} = N_{QCD} + N_{sig} \quad \text{Number of events before a cut}$$

$$N_{tight} = \epsilon_{QCD} \cdot N_{QCD} + \epsilon_{sig} \cdot N_{sig} \quad \text{Number of events after a cut}$$

ϵ_{sig} and ϵ_{QCD} :the efficiencies to pass the cut

If the efficiencies are known, the number of signal and QCD events can be calculated:

$$N_{sig} = \frac{N_{tight} - \epsilon_{QCD} \cdot N_{loose}}{\epsilon_{sig} - \epsilon_{QCD}}$$
$$N_{QCD} = \frac{\epsilon_{sig} \cdot N_{loose} - N_{tight}}{\epsilon_{sig} - \epsilon_{QCD}}$$

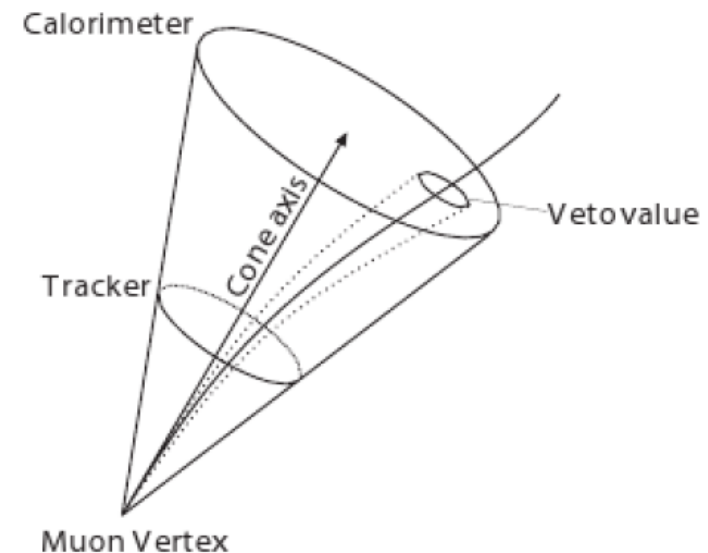
Cut-Variable: Muon Isolation

Muon isolation describes the activity in a cone of 0.3 in ΔR around a muon

Tracker Isolation: Sum of all $p_T(\text{tracks})$ in the cone $< 3 \text{ GeV}$.

Calorimeter Isolation: Sum of all ET in the cone $< 5 \text{ GeV}$.

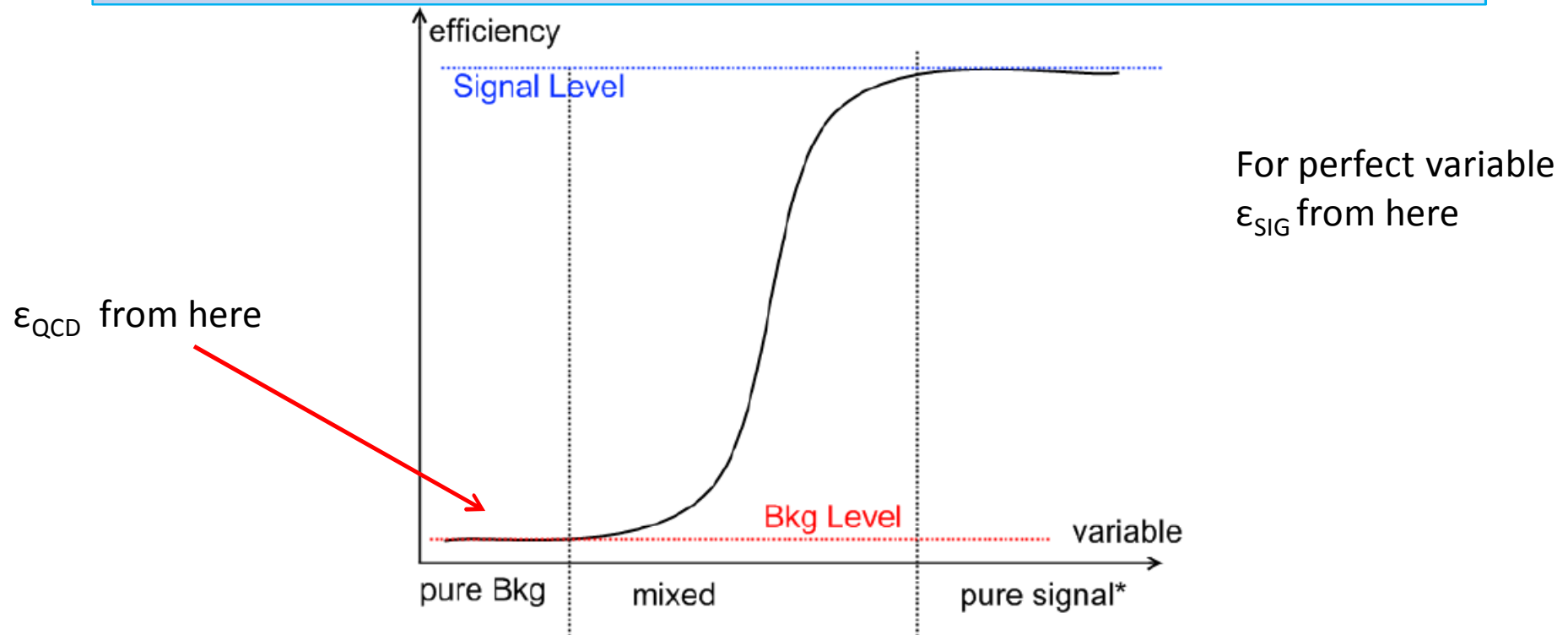
Minimal distance to closest Jet < 0.5 in ΔR



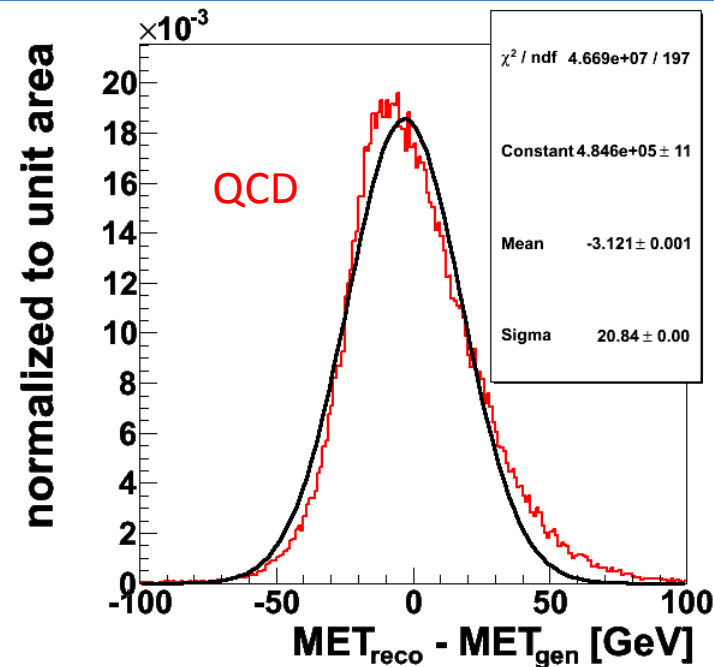
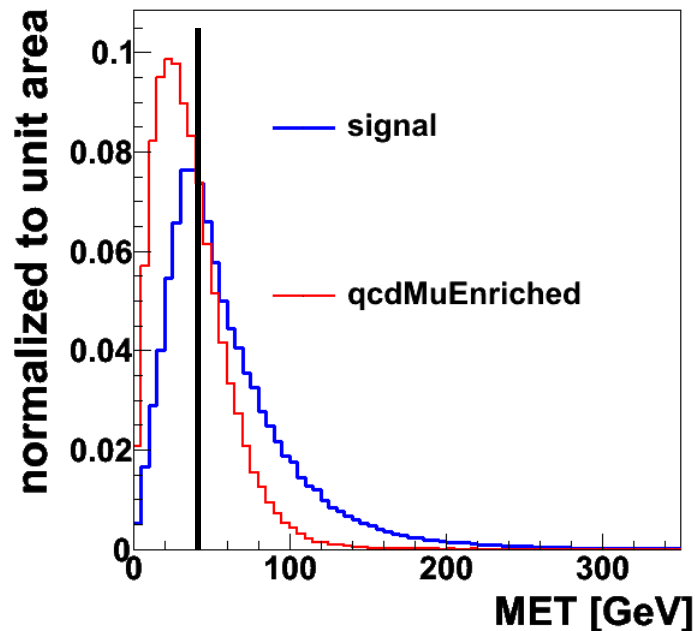
Top-signal as well as W^+ jets contain isolated muons $\Rightarrow$ both as signal

Estimate of efficiencies

ϵ_{SIG} can be gained from simulation, ϵ_{QCD} from data
a control variable is necessary distinguish between
background and signal



Missing E_T as control variable



Displayed errors are statistical

Estimation of events before isolation cut:

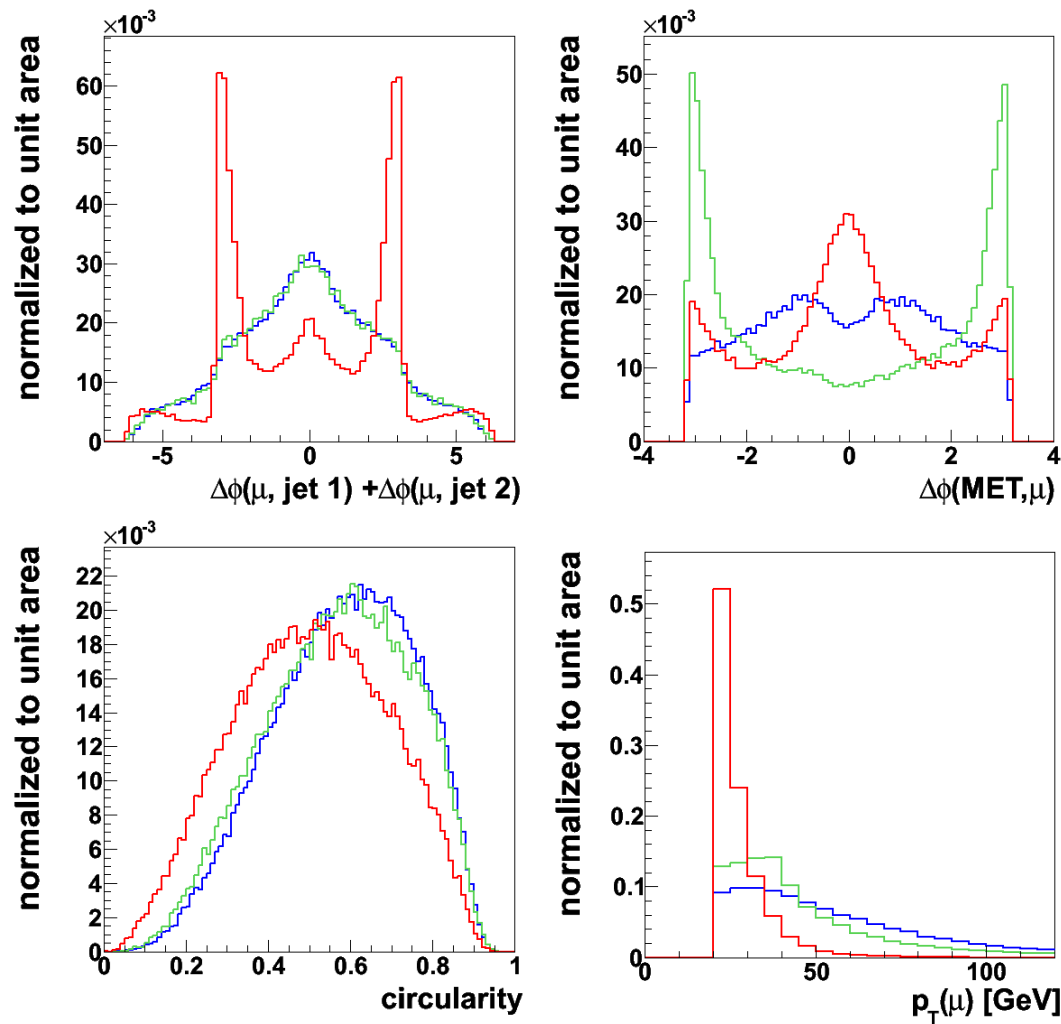
- QCD: 469860 ± 1300 , true number: 465171
- Signal: 646 ± 394 , true number : 5336

Estimation of events after isolation cut:

- QCD: 11734 ± 245 , true number 8598
- Signal: 432 ± 268 , true number 3568

40% difference from the true value for QCD and up to 90% for signal

New control variable

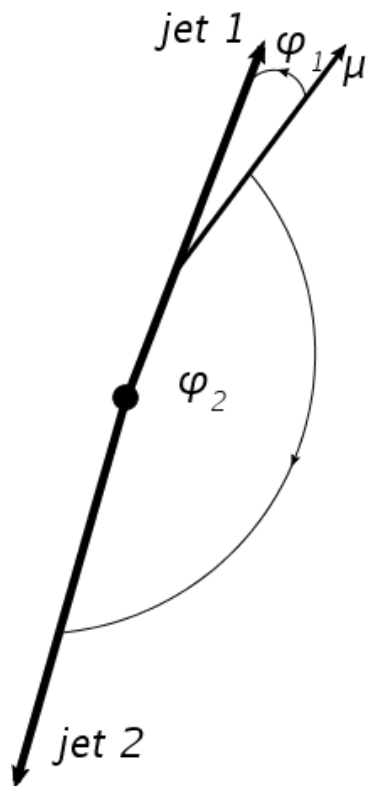


— W+ n Jets
— QCDMuEnriched
— Top-Signal

- clear separation of QCD and signal
- stable isolation efficiency over the complete region
- as far independent from detector calibration as possible
- not correlated with the selection variable

$\Delta\Phi(\mu, \text{jet1}) + \Delta\Phi(\mu, \text{jet2})$

QCD

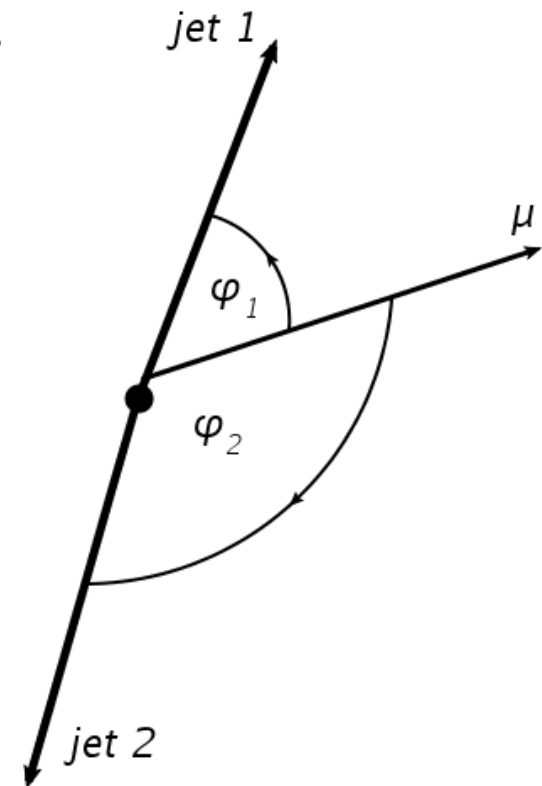


QCD: μ s emerging from jets,
Di-jet structure leads to values
of π

signal: μ s from real W-
bosons, higher angle
between μ and jets thus
low values

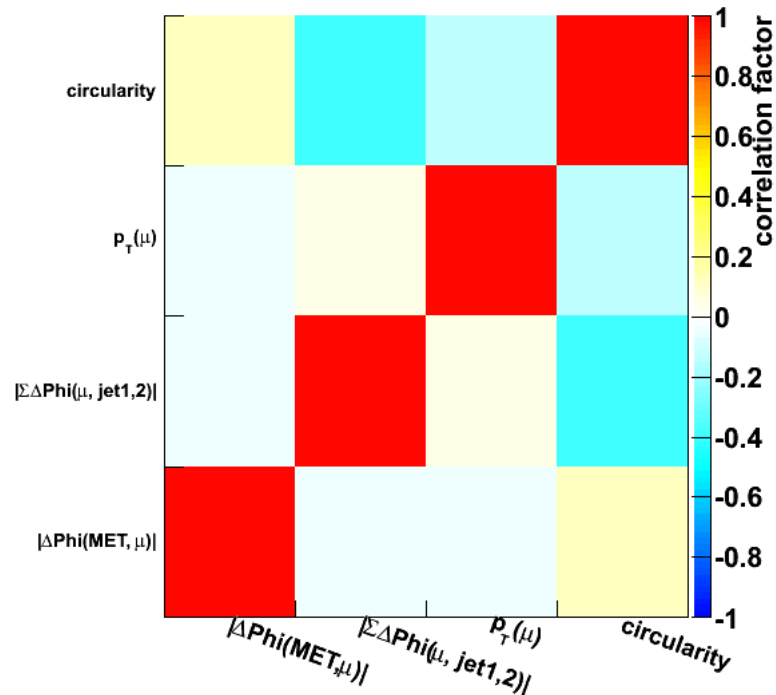
two leading jet on the same side
 $\Rightarrow$ values above π

signal



Multivariate Ansatz

Correlation between variables

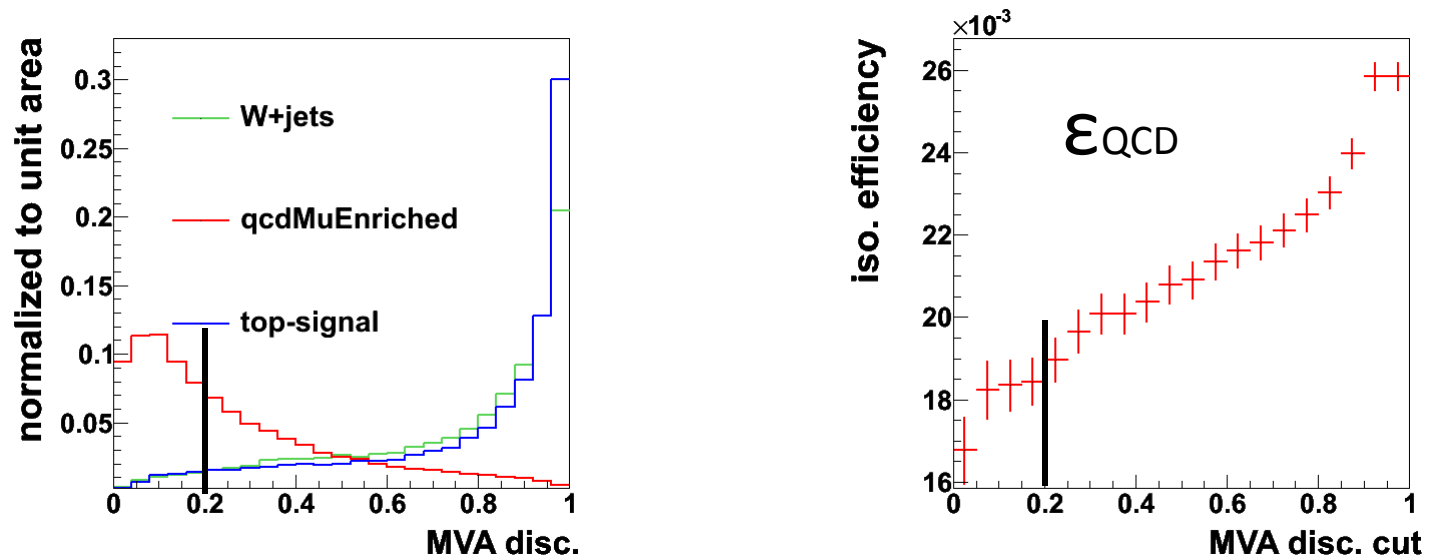


single variable matches all criteria
 $\Rightarrow$ combination via a multivariate method

Only $\Delta\Phi(\mu, \text{jet1}) + \Delta\Phi(\mu, \text{jet2})$
 and circularity have a bigger
 correlation of -0.4

Before creating the likelihood
 discriminator the variables are
 decorrelated

Multivariate Ansatz



Control region with discriminator < 0.2 : contains 50% of total QCD events and has 5% signal contamination

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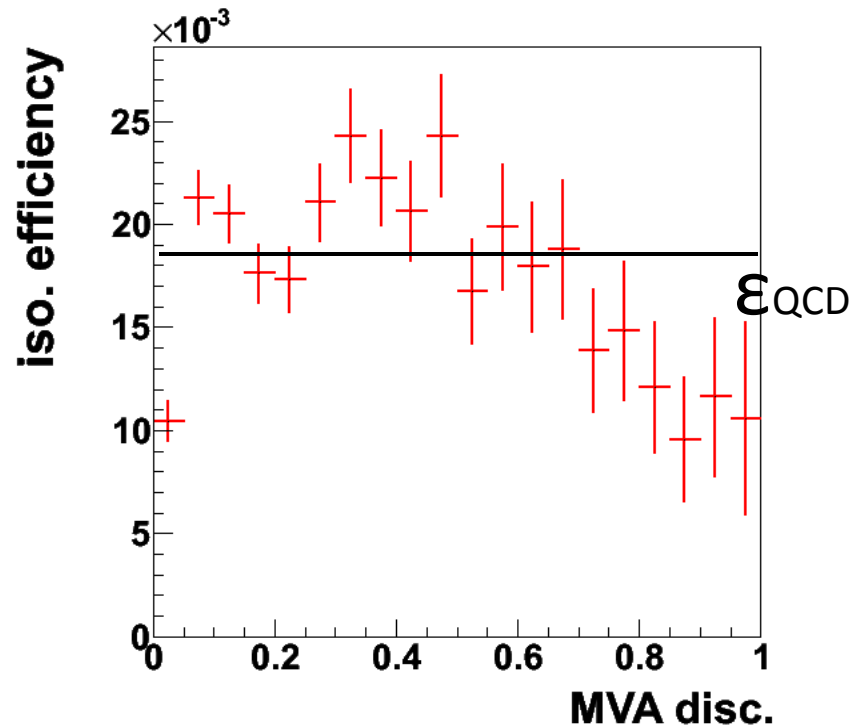
- QCD: 465138 ± 1200 , true number: 465171
- Signal: 5369 ± 436 , true number : 5336

Estimation of events after isolation cut :

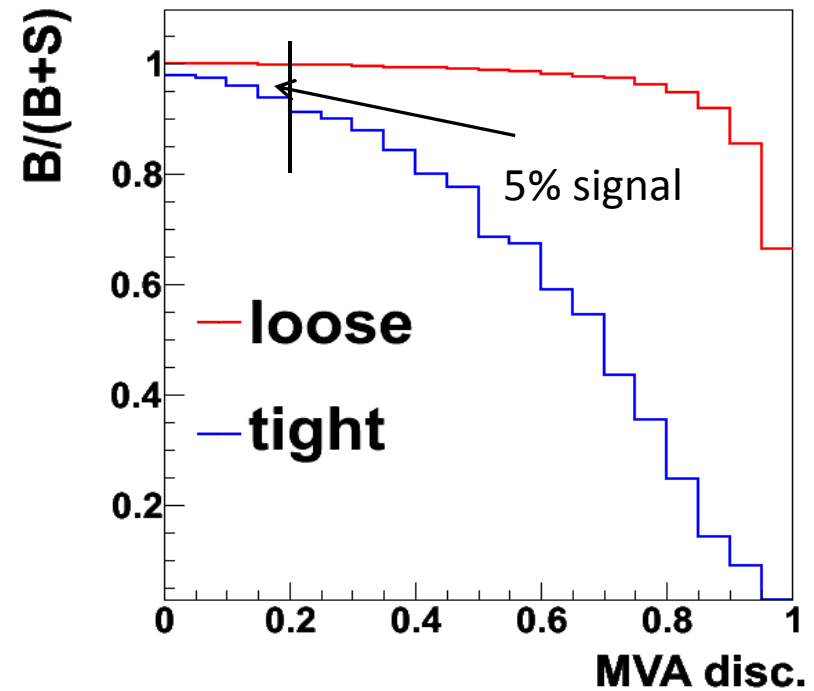
- QCD : 8575 ± 270 , true number : 8598
- Signal: 3591 ± 292 , true number : 3568

Two effects on ϵ_{QCD}

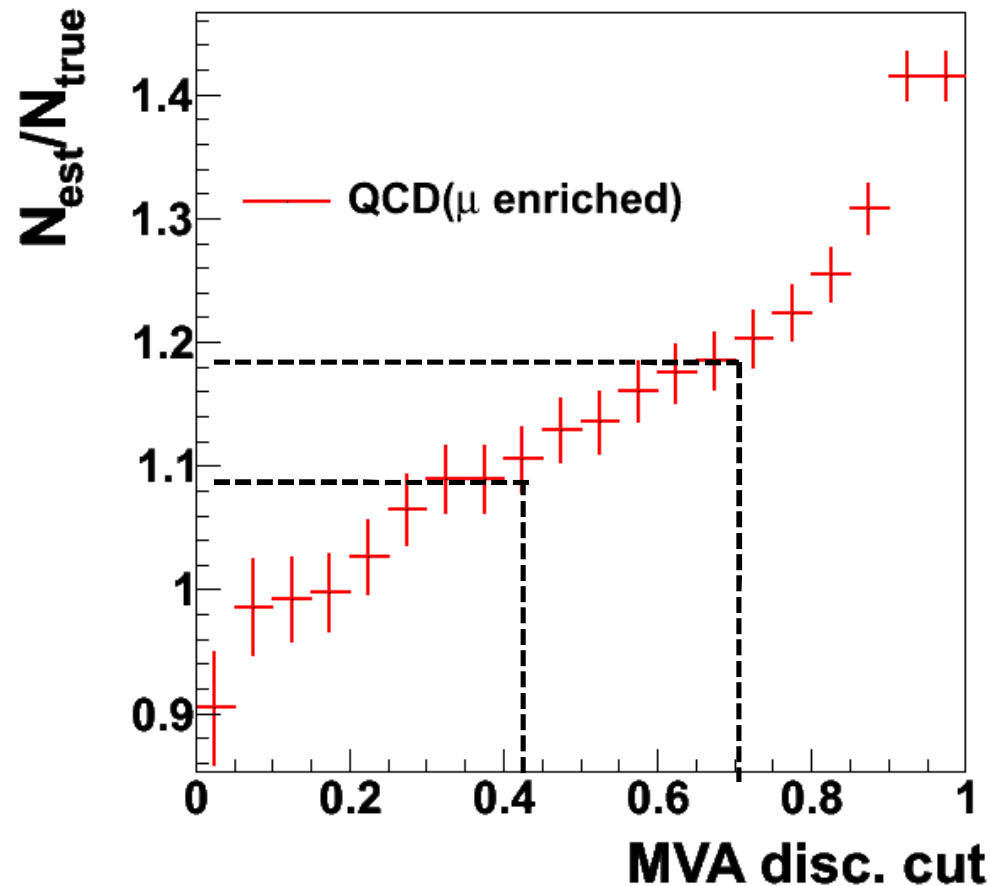
ϵ_{QCD} varies as a function
of MVA discriminator



Signal contamination raises
with MVA discriminator



Change of the control region



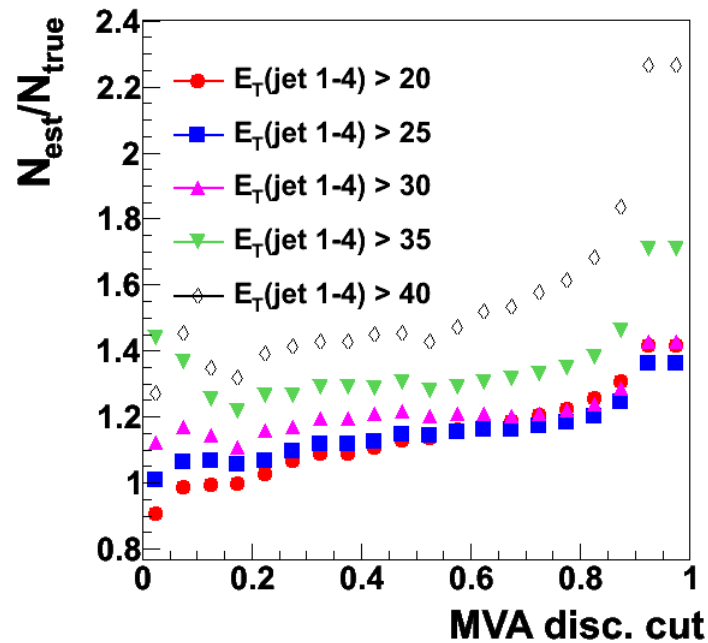
Depending on the error allowance on the QCD estimation after cut, the control region can be changed.

10% uncertainty allows
cut < 0.4 with 20% signal
contamination

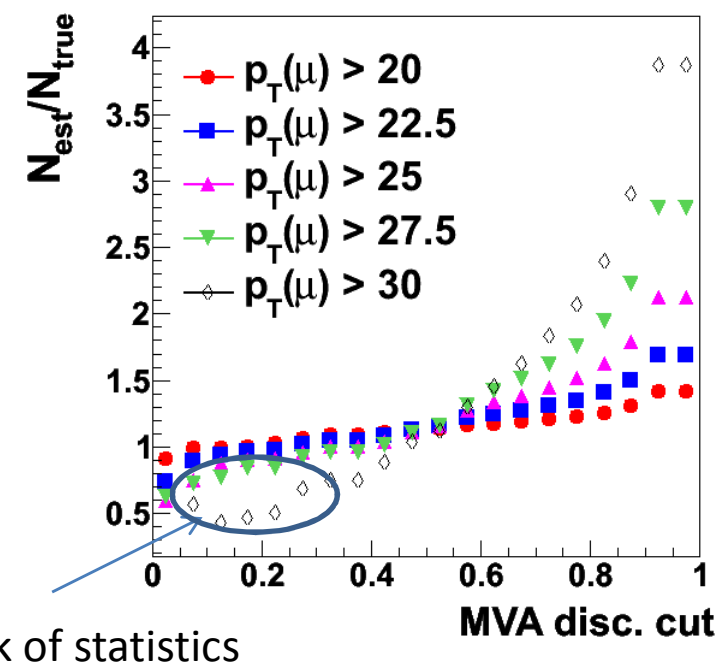
20% uncertainty allows
cut < 0.7 with 55% signal
contamination

Harder selection cuts

Cut on E_T of the four leading jets

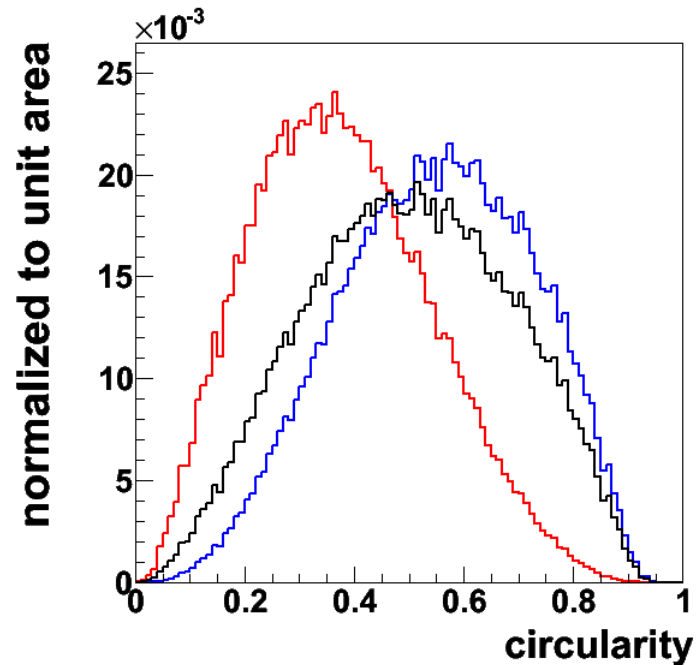


Cut on p_T of the leading muon

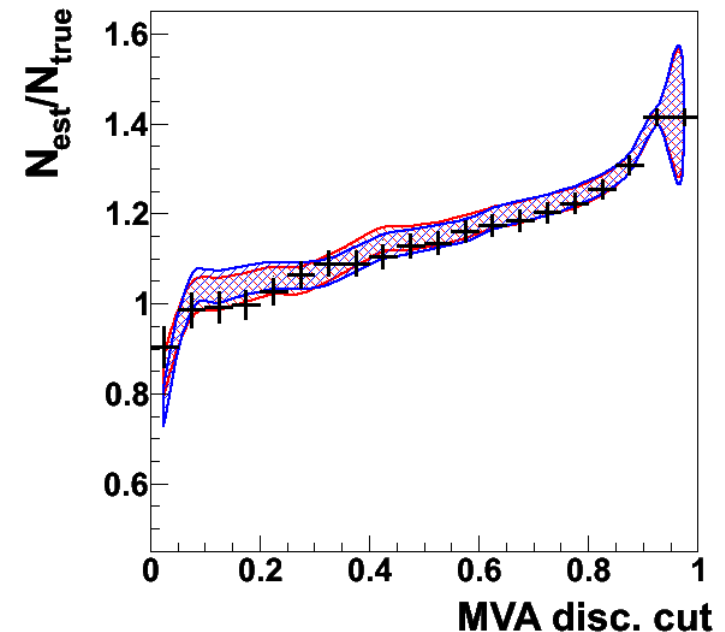


Harder cuts increase signal contamination => up to 40% error

Change of Variable shape



Shape was changed by reweighting of QCD events towards background (red) and signal (blue)



Change of shapes leads to an overestimation of QCD events up to 10%

Change of normalization

Estimation of events after isolation cut for $2 \times N(\text{QCD})$:

- QCD : 16764 ± 394 , true number : 17196
- Signal: 4000 ± 419 , true number : 3568

Estimation of events after isolation cut for $2 \times N(\text{W+jets})$:

- QCD : 8908 ± 265 , true number : 8598
- Signal: 6306 ± 292 , true number : 6616

Effects on changing Top-signal are small, since W+jets dominate the signal by factor of 6

Effect from the mismeasurement of ϵ_{QCD} are $\approx 3\%$, signal influence makes 5%

Summary

- MET is not suitable at CMS for the Matrix Method, but MVA techniques can provide a good control variable
- Variables independent from detector calibration such as angle between objects and event shape variables
- Accepting estimation errors of 10-20% the Method is robust to normalization and shape errors

Outlook

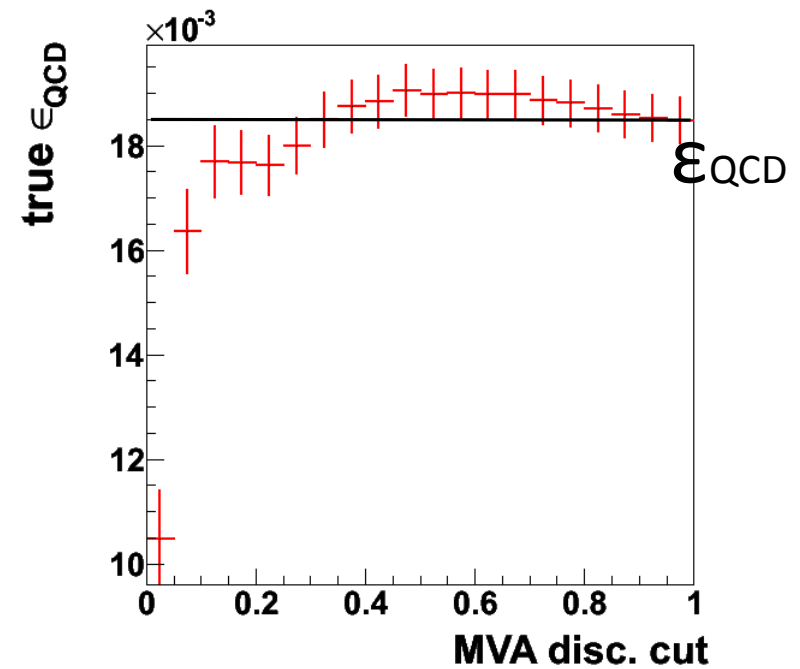
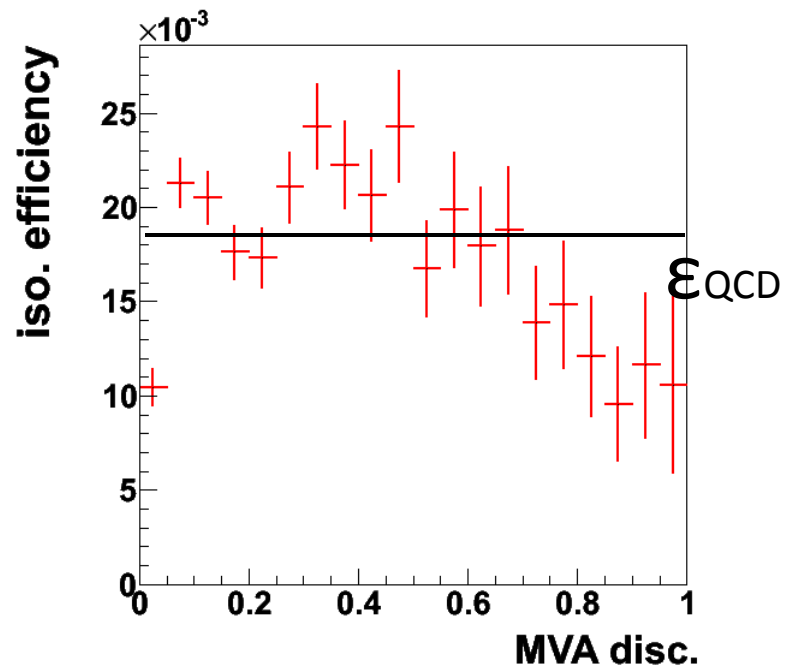
- Since $p_T(\mu)$ is used for cuts it should be replaced as MVA input.
- Verification of method robustness with other simulated samples
- If more statistic becomes available: study method with harder isolation criteria
- Study the dependency of input variables on ϵ_{QCD}



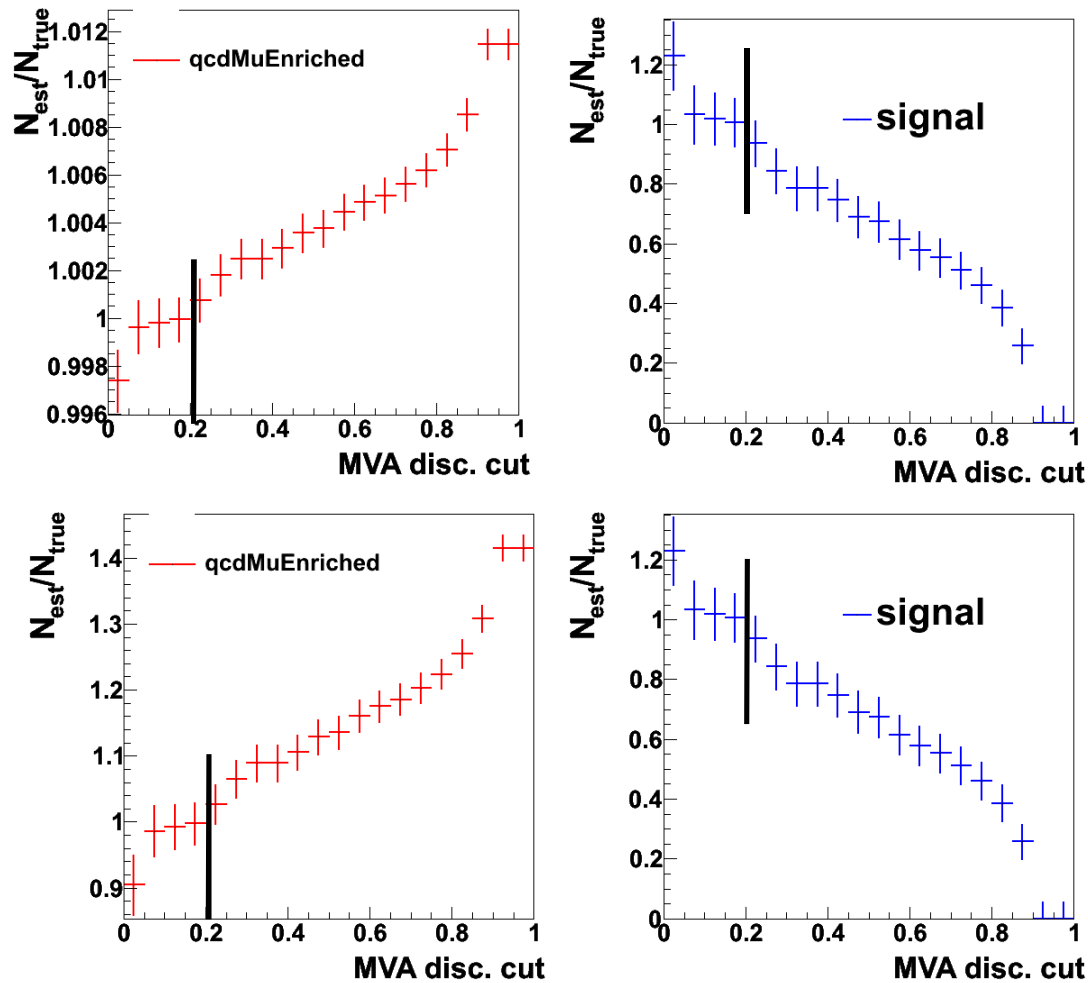
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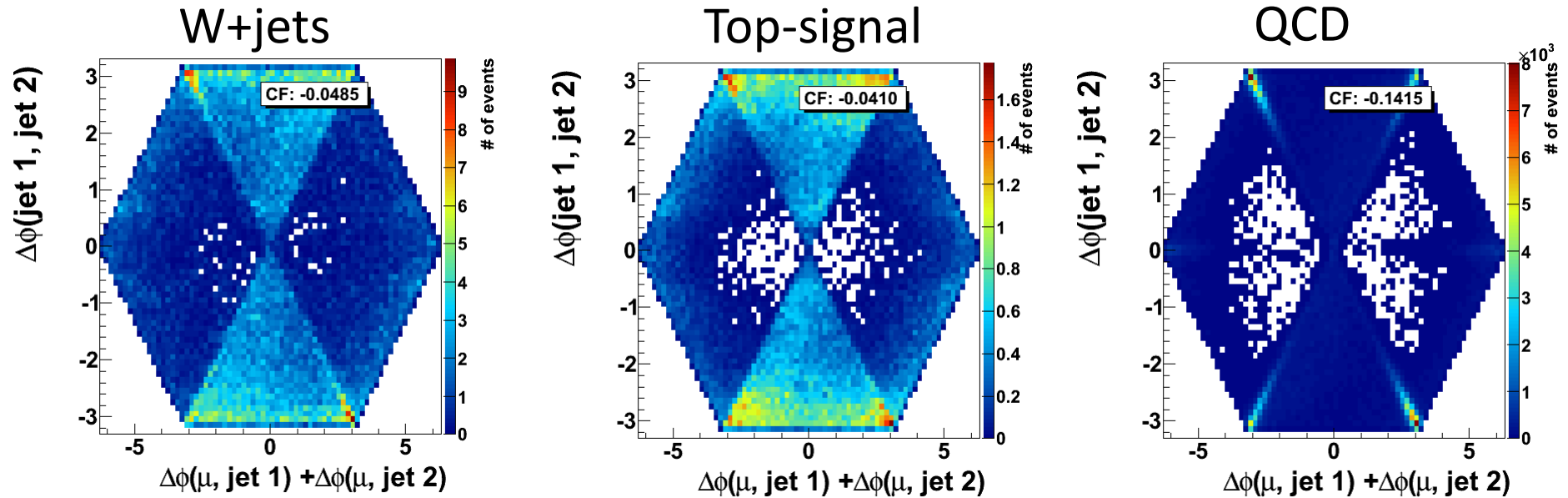
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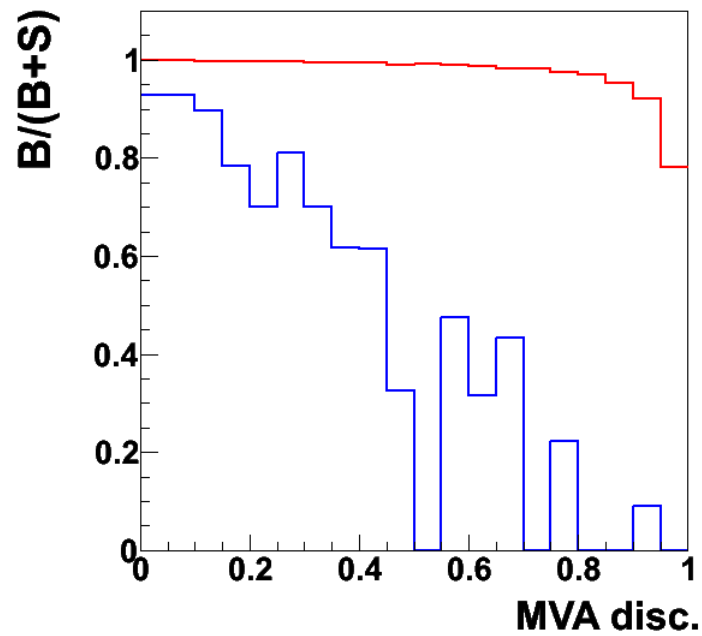


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jet cuts



muon cuts

