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# Beyond Standard Model Physics

- Looking for a particle decaying into two
  top quarks in the hadronic final state
  X → tt → bqq+bqq
- E.g. Z' mediator
  - Arise from extensions of the electroweak symmetry in many different models
  - Topcolor assisted technicolor
- Looking for a **bump** in the invariant mass spectrum of the decay products of the two top quark candidates



## Object and Event Selection

- Single jet trigger with  $p_{T} > 460 \text{ GeV}$
- Two large radius anti-kt jets (R=1) with
  - p<sub>T,J1</sub> > 500 GeV and p<sub>T,J2</sub> > 350 GeV
  - o dphi(J1,J2) > 1.6 (back-to-back)
  - dy(J1,J2) < 1.8 (remove SM t-channel)</p>
- Leading and subleading large radius jets are top-tagged (DNN top-tagger 80% WP)
- One or both of the leading large radius jets should be matched to a b-tagged variable radius track jet (**DL1 77% WP**)
  - 1b and 2b signal region





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- $\tau_{32} = \tau_3 / \tau_2$ 
  - How likely is the jet to have three prongs compared to two

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- Discriminant cut varied as a function of p<sub>T</sub> to always have a signal efficiency of 80%
- The DNN tagger is **2x better** than the simple tagger based on  $m^{comb}$  and  $\tau_{32}^{}$  cuts
- BDT tagger perform similarly as expected
- This analysis is one of the **first** to use the DNN top tagger
  - $\circ~$  Training DNN at high  $p_{_{T}}$
  - Deriving uncertainty



## B TAGGING

- B-hadrons have certain characteristics which can be used to tag a jet as coming from a b-quark
  - Impact parameter of tracks
  - Displaced vertices reconstructed in the inner detector
- DL1
  - Deep learning neural network based on distinctive features of b-hadrons



## BACKGROUND ESTIMATION

• Fit smoothly falling m<sub>tt</sub> background with **function**:

 $f(x) = p_0(1-x)^{p_1} x^{p_2+p_3\log x+p_4(\log x)^2+...}$ 

- Tests were done on **asimov dataset** and pseudo-experiments
- Method used in several Exotics searches in ATLAS
- Pros
  - Does not need huge amount of Monte Carlo simulations
  - Smaller systematic uncertainties
- Cons
  - Is the expected background completely smooth?

#### Spurious signal test

• Is it affected by a potential signal?

#### Signal injection test

Not possible to discover a broad signal

## Asimov Sample

#### • **Dijet** samples

- MC: Pythia8 pT-sliced samples
  - Good statistics at high m<sub>tt</sub>
- Data-driven (DD): ABCD method based on b- and top-tagging
  - Better description of dijet and good statistics at low m<sub>++</sub>
- **Combined**: DD at low  $m_{tt}$  and corrected MC at high  $m_{tt}$ 
  - Good statistics over full m<sub>tt</sub> range
  - Stitch at 2410 GeV for 1bSR and 2730 GeV for 2bSR
- **Ttbar** samples
  - MC: All-hadronic tt and non-all-hadronic tt

#### FITTING PSEUDO-DATA



### LIMIT SETTING

- Limit setting machinery in place
  - Expected limit on Z'  $\rightarrow$  tt is 4 TeV
  - Calculated with asimov sample



## Conclusion And Outlook

- Improvements
  - Better top- and b-tagging
  - Fit instead of MC used for background estimation
  - Compared to previous <u>ttbar analysis</u> the **limit improves** from 3 TeV to 3.4 TeV when scaled to same integrated luminosity (36.1 fb<sup>-1</sup>)
- Plans
  - Result will be included in Heavy Resonance combination in ATLAS





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#### N-SUBJETTINESS

$$\tau_N = \frac{1}{d_0} \sum_k p_{T,k} \min \left\{ \Delta R_{1,k}, \Delta R_{2,k}, \cdots, \Delta R_{N,k} \right\}.$$
(2.1)

Here, k runs over the constituent particles in a given jet,  $p_{T,k}$  are their transverse momenta, and  $\Delta R_{J,k} = \sqrt{(\Delta \eta)^2 + (\Delta \phi)^2}$  is the distance in the rapidity-azimuth plane between a candidate subjet J and a constituent particle k. The normalization factor  $d_0$  is taken as

$$d_0 = \sum_k p_{T,k} R_0, (2.2)$$

where  $R_0$  is the characteristic jet radius used in the original jet clustering algorithm.



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