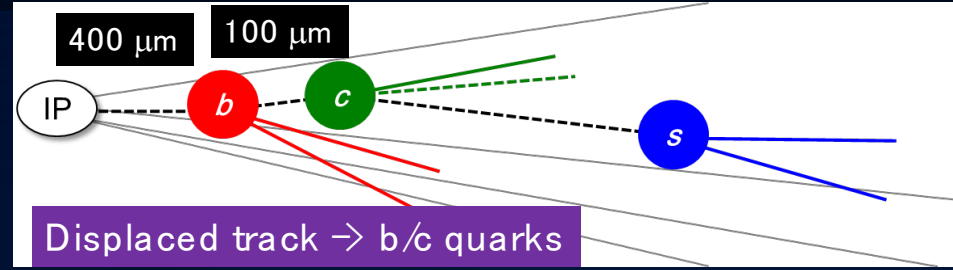


# Application of Particle Transformer for Quark Flavor Tagging on Future Higgs Factories

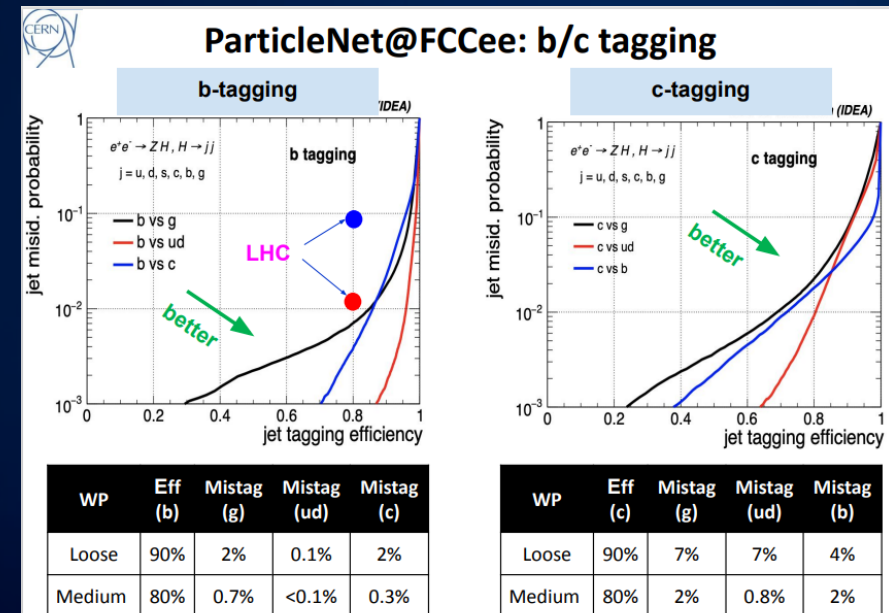
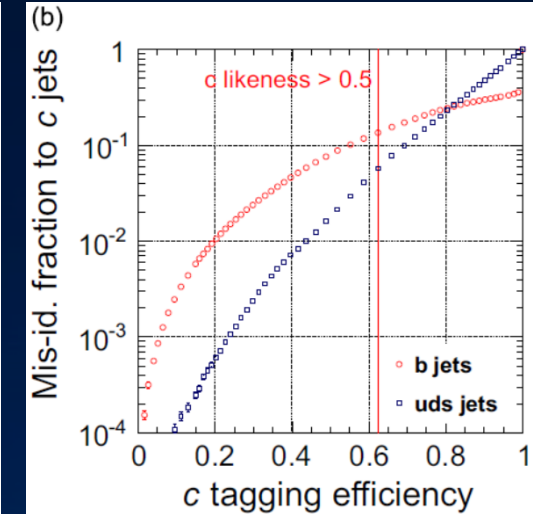
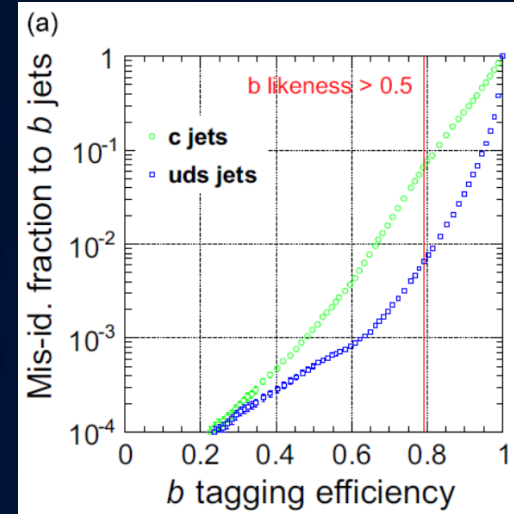
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All results are preliminary: need to check reproducibility with shuffled events etc. (TBD)

# Flavor tagging for Higgs factories

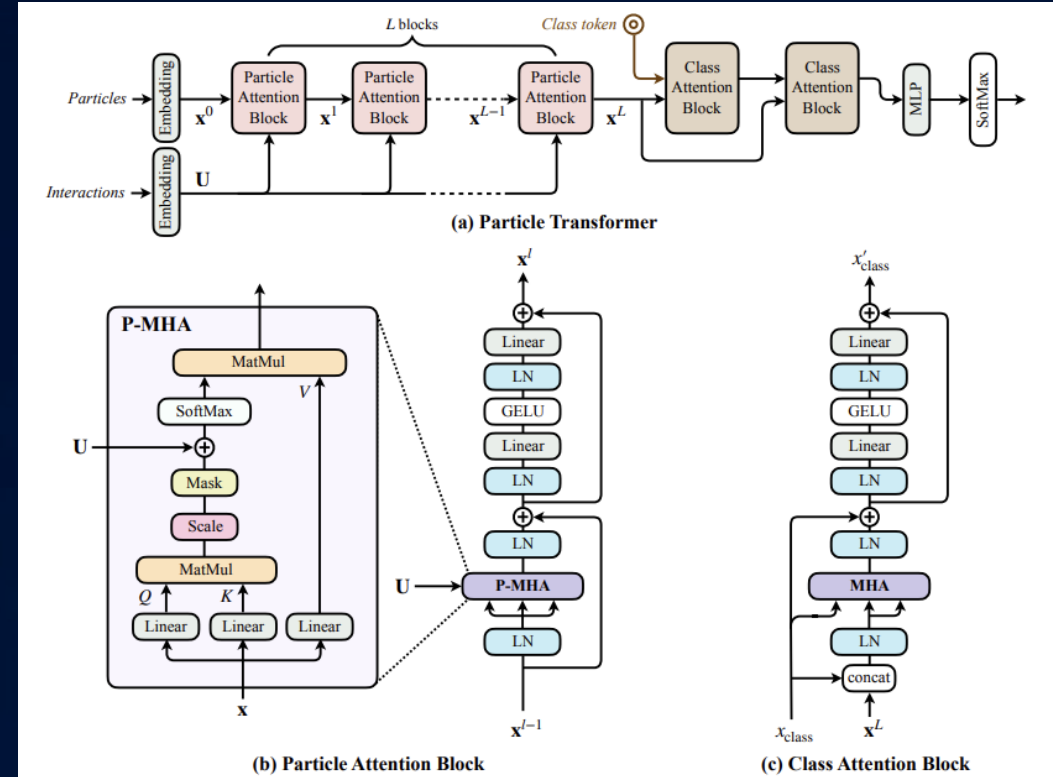


- Jet flavor tagging is essentially important for Higgs studies (including self coupling)
- LCFIPlus (published 2013)<sup>[1]</sup> was long used for flavor tagging
  - b-tag:  $\sim 80\%$  eff., 10% c / 1% uds acceptance;
  - c-tag:  $\sim 50\%$  eff., 10% b / 2% uds acceptance.
- Recently FCCee reported  $\sim 10\text{x}$  better rejection using ParticleNet (GNN)
  - To be confirmed with full simulation (with latest algorithm: Particle Transformer (ParT))
  - $\rightarrow$  If good, consider to apply to physics analyses hopefully with common framework



# Particle Transformer (ParT)

- Transformer: self-attention based algorithm intensively used for NLP (e.g. chatGPT)
  - Weak biasing: possible to train big samples efficiently (with more learnable weights) but demanding big training sample for high performance
- ParT is a new Transformer-based architecture for Jet tagging, published in 2022<sup>[2]</sup>.
- Surpasses the performance of previous architectures
- Easily usable with TTree input and XML steering file



Performance on event categorization (ie. not direct flavor tagging but flavor information is essential for the categorization)

	All classes		$H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$	$H \rightarrow c\bar{c}$	$H \rightarrow gg$	$H \rightarrow 4q$	$H \rightarrow \nu qq'$	$t \rightarrow bq q'$	$t \rightarrow bl\nu$	$W \rightarrow qq'$	$Z \rightarrow q\bar{q}$
	Accuracy	AUC	Rej <sub>50%</sub>	Rej <sub>50%</sub>	Rej <sub>50%</sub>	Rej <sub>50%</sub>	Rej <sub>99%</sub>	Rej <sub>50%</sub>	Rej <sub>99.5%</sub>	Rej <sub>50%</sub>	Rej <sub>50%</sub>
PFN	0.772	0.9714	2924	841	75	198	265	797	721	189	159
P-CNN	0.809	0.9789	4890	1276	88	474	947	2907	2304	241	204
ParticleNet	0.844	0.9849	7634	2475	104	954	3339	10526	11173	347	283
<b>ParT</b>	<b>0.861</b>	<b>0.9877</b>	<b>10638</b>	<b>4149</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>1864</b>	<b>5479</b>	<b>32787</b>	<b>15873</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>402</b>
ParT (plain)	0.849	0.9859	9569	2911	112	1185	3868	17699	12987	384	311

# Data Used For Investigation

- ILD full simulation:
  1.  $e^+ e^- \rightarrow qq$  (at 91 GeV)  
(DBD sample used for initial LCFIPlus study)
  2.  $e^+ e^- \rightarrow \nu\nu H \rightarrow \nu\nu qq$  (at 250 GeV)  
(2020 production, process ID: 410001-410006)

With 1M jets (500k events) each

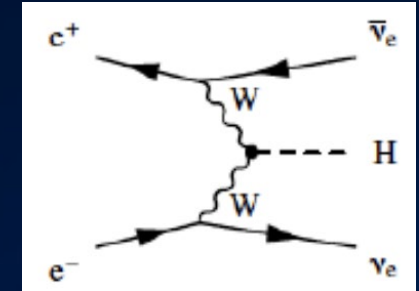
- FCCee fast simulation (Delphes with IDEA detector):

$e^+ e^- \rightarrow \nu\nu H \rightarrow \nu\nu qq$  (at 240 GeV)

With 10M jets (5M events) each

- 80% are used for training, 5% for validation, 15% for test

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} q = b, c, u, d, s \\ \nu = \text{neutrino} \end{array} \right\}$



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## Jet flavour tagging for future colliders with fast simulation

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**Abstract** Jet flavour identification algorithms are of paramount importance to maximise the physics potential of future collider experiments. This work describes a novel set of tools allowing for a realistic simulation and reconstruction of particle level observables that are necessary ingredients to jet flavour identification. An algorithm for reconstructing the track parameters and covariance matrix of charged particles for an arbitrary tracking sub-detector geometries has been developed. Additional modules allowing for particle identification using time-of-flight and ionizing energy loss information have been implemented. A jet flavour identification algorithm based on a graph neural network architecture and exploiting all available particle level information has been developed. The impact of different detector design assumptions on the flavour tagging performance is assessed using the FCC-ee IDEA detector prototype.

**1 Introduction**

Precision measurements of standard model (SM) parameters are key objectives of the physics program of future lepton and hadron machines [1–6]. In particular, the measurement of the Higgs couplings to bottom (*b*) and charm (*c*) quarks, and gluons (*g*) [7–13], the Higgs self-coupling [14] and the precise characterisation of top quark properties, such as the top quark mass [15] and its electroweak couplings [16, 17] require an efficient reconstruction and identification of hadronic final states. Being able to efficiently identify the flavour of the parton that initiated the formation of a jet, known as jet flavour

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# Software for Particle Transformer

- Public in github, with instruction provided
  - [https://github.com/jet-universe/particle\\_transformer](https://github.com/jet-universe/particle_transformer)
- Input: ROOT files for training (80%), validation (5%), test (15%)
  - Input variables can be provided via steering file (XML)
    - Input for each particle (tracks, neutral clusters)
    - Input for “interaction” → currently momentum only
    - Input for “coordinate” → theta/phi plan wrt. jet axis
- Output: ROOT files including evaluation results (likeness) for test events
  - To be analyzed with ROOT or so
- We implemented a processor (inside LCFIPlus) to produce ROOT files for input as much as compatible to FCCee variables
  - Except for PID values, which are not fully implemented
- Easy for testing, but not direct to be used for physics analyses



# Input Variables - Features

\*Naming follows FCCee scheme – may not express exact meaning

- Impact Parameter (6):

- pfcand\_dxy
- pfcand\_dz
- pfcand\_btagSip2dVal
- pfcand\_btagSip2dSig
- pfcand\_btagSip3dVal
- pfcand\_btagSip3dSig

\*d0/z0 and 2D/3D impact parameters, 0 for neutrals

- Jet Distance (2):

- pfcand\_btagJetDistVal
- pfcand\_btagJetDistSig

\*Displacement of tracks from line passing IP with direction of jet  
0 for neutrals

- Particle ID (6):

- pfcand\_isMu
- pfcand\_isEl
- pfcand\_isChargedHad
- pfcand\_isGamma
- pfcand\_isNeutralHad
- pfcand\_type

\* Not including strange-tagging related variables (TOF, dE/dx etc.)

\* Simple PID for ILD, not optimal

- Kinematic (4):

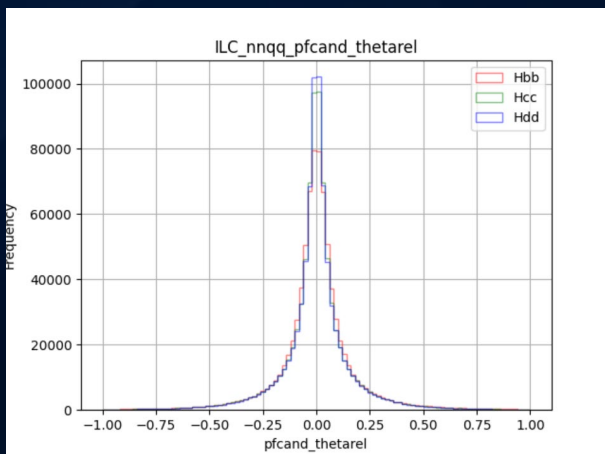
- pfcand\_erep\_log \*Fraction of the particle energy wrt. jet energy (log is taken)
- pfcand\_thetarel
- pfcand\_phirel
- pfcand\_charge

- Track Errors (15):

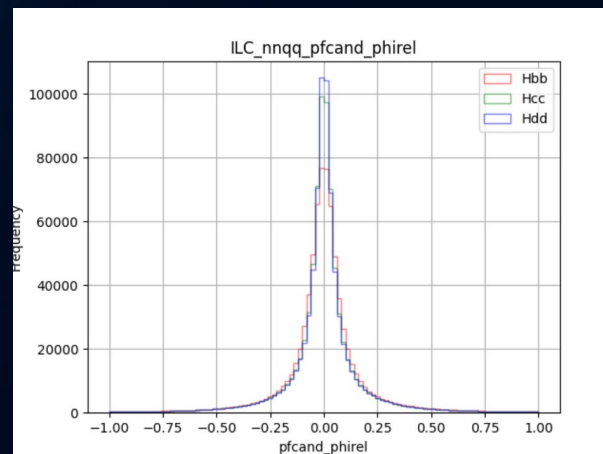
- pfcand\_dptdpt
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- pfcand\_dlambdadz
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- pfcand\_dxycgttheta
- pfcand\_phic
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- pfcand\_cctgtheta

\*each element of covariant matrix  
0 for neutrals

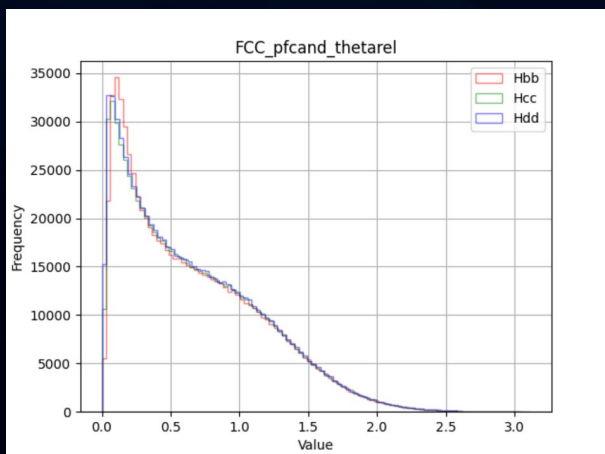
# ILD vs. FCC – theta/phi distribution



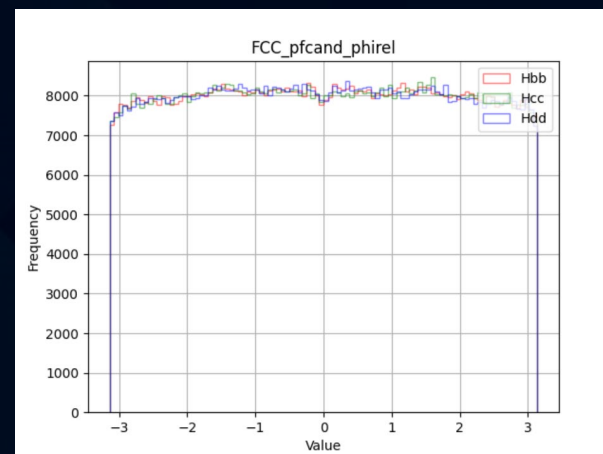
ILD theta



ILD phi



FCC theta



FCC phi

- ILD theta/phi are calculated from the difference between particle and jet theta/phi in the frame of the detector.
- FCC theta/phi are obtained from relative trace of the particle compared to the jet.
- This can cause some differences in the interaction of other parameters in the model.

# Input Variables - Interactions

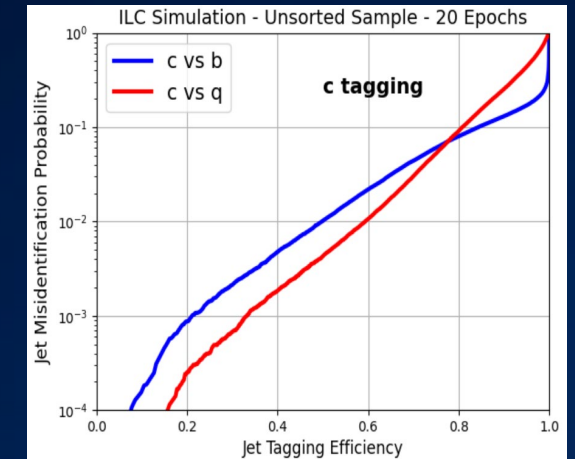
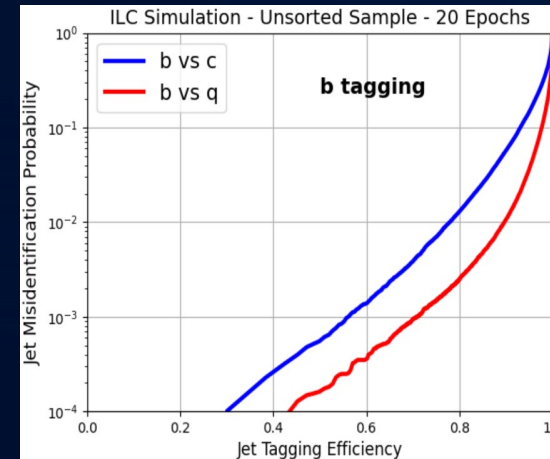
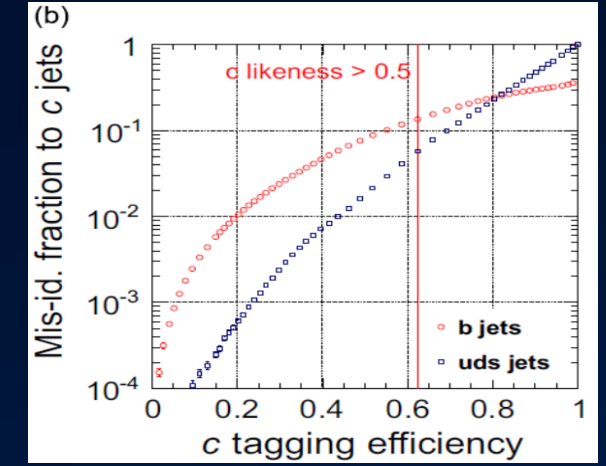
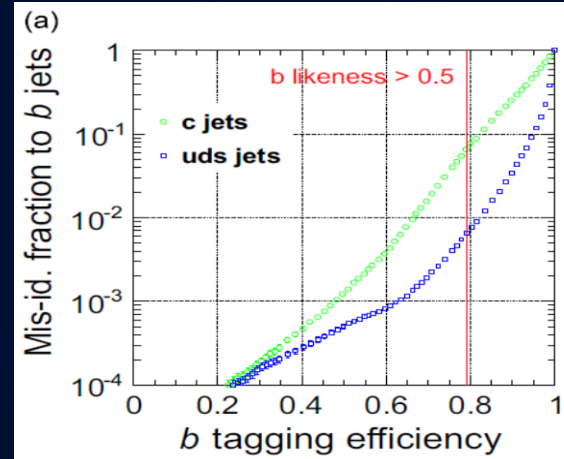
- FCC data uses  $p$  (scalar momentum) as interaction:
  - pfcand\_p
- ILD data contains  $p_x, p_y, p_z$  (vector momentum) as interaction:
  - pfcand\_px
  - pfcand\_py
  - pfcand\_pz
- But it's possible to transfer ILD's interaction to FCC's form for fair comparison:

$$p = \sqrt{p_x^2 + p_y^2 + p_z^2}$$



# Application of ParT to ILD data (ILD qq 91 GeV, 0.8M jets for training)

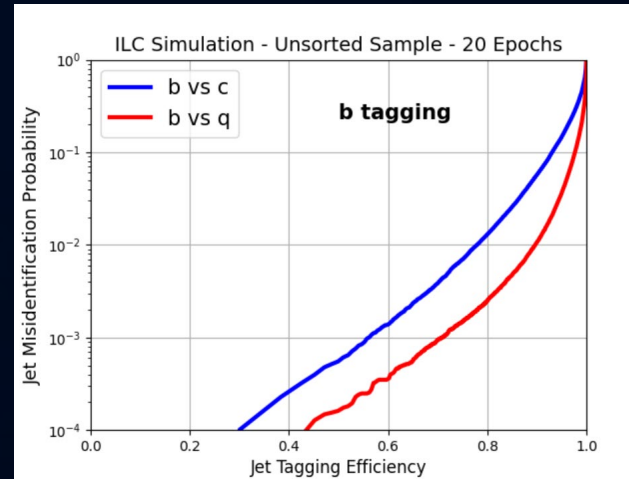
- Jet tagging performance is greatly improved by ParT immediately.
- The performance is improved by 4.05 – 9.80 times compared to LCFIPlus with the same set of data.
- 20 epochs are taken, 200 epochs do not help improving performance but give overtraining



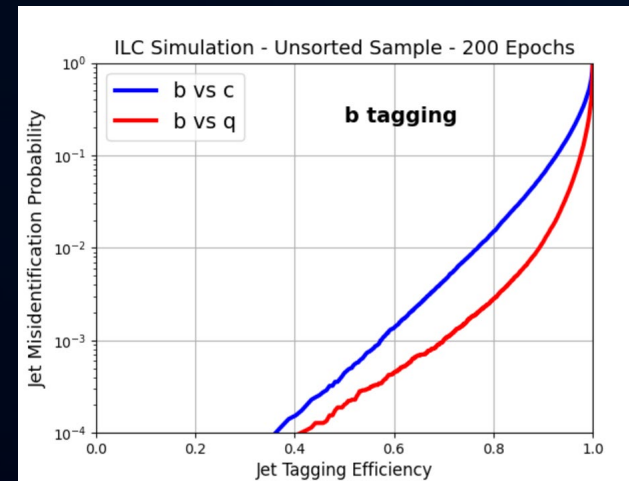
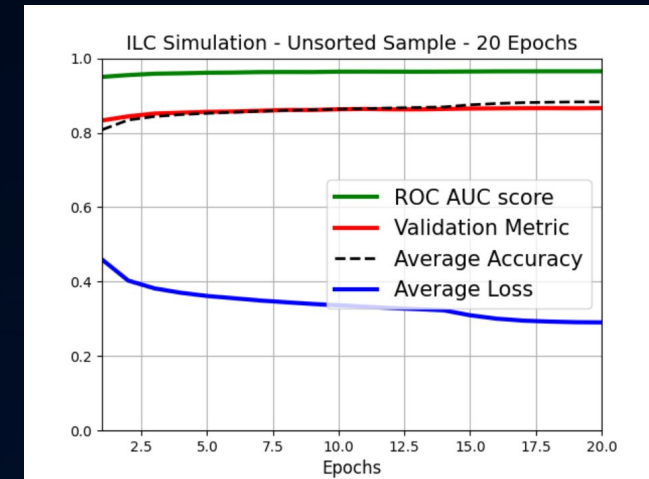
Method	b-tag 80% eff.		c-tag 50% eff.	
	c-bkg acceptance	uds-bkg acceptance	c-bkg acceptance	uds-bkg acceptance
LCFIPlus	10%	1%	10%	2%
ParT	1.29%	0.25%	1.02%	0.43%

# Training parameters - epochs

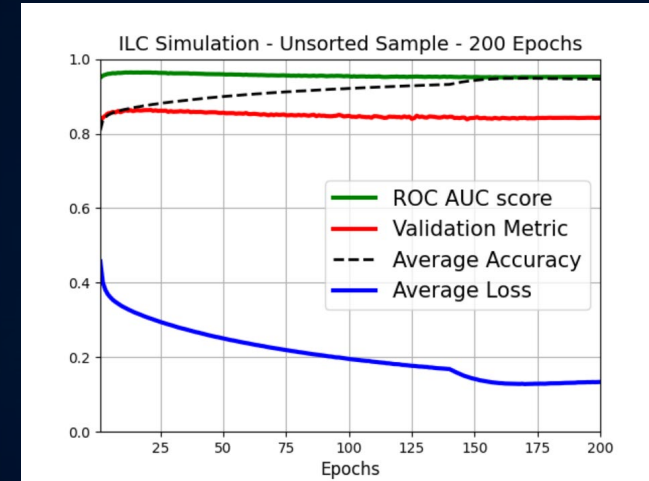
- Run on NVIDIA TITAN RTX (memory: 24 GB)
  - 20 Epochs: 3 hours
  - 200 Epochs: 30 hours
- No significant improvement in tagging efficiency
- Both ROC AUC score and Validation Metric reaches a maximum around 20 epochs.
- Overtraining after 20 epochs.
- Hence 20 epochs of training is selected to avoid overtraining.



20 epochs (ILD qq 91 GeV)

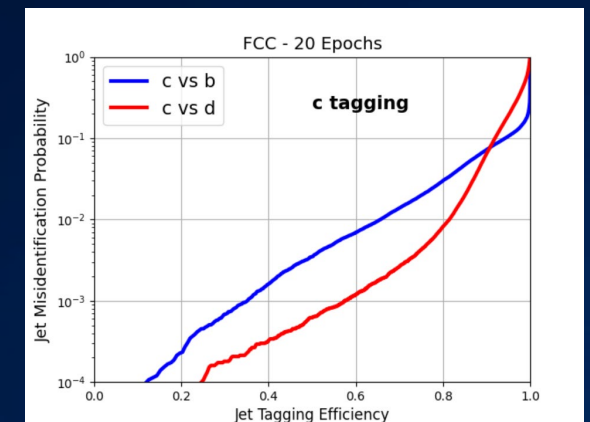
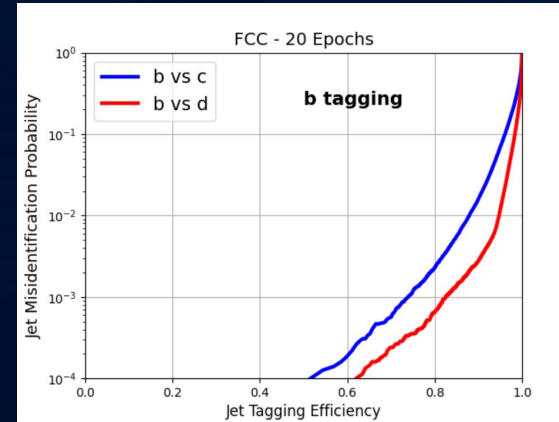
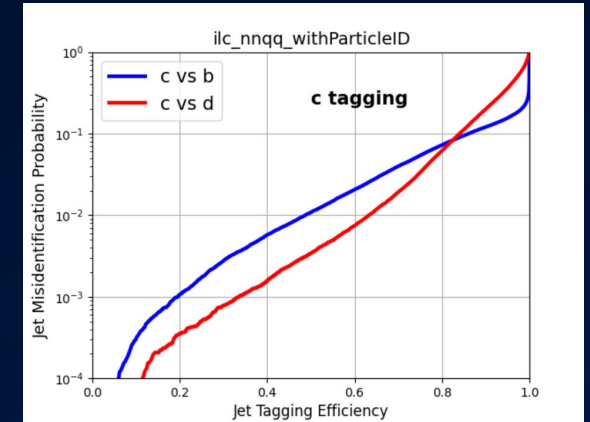
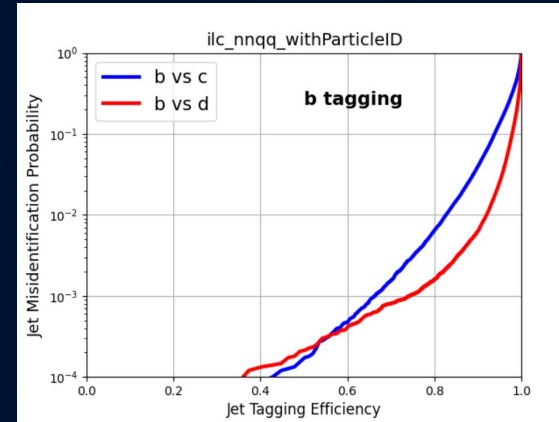


200 epochs (ILD qq 91 GeV)



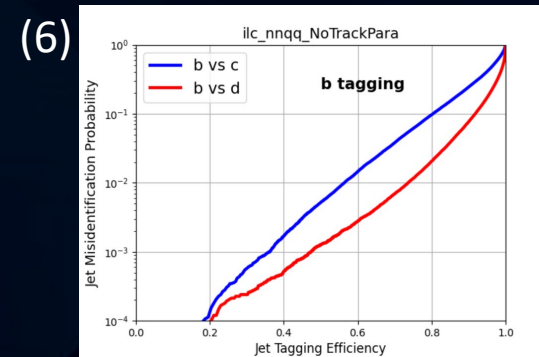
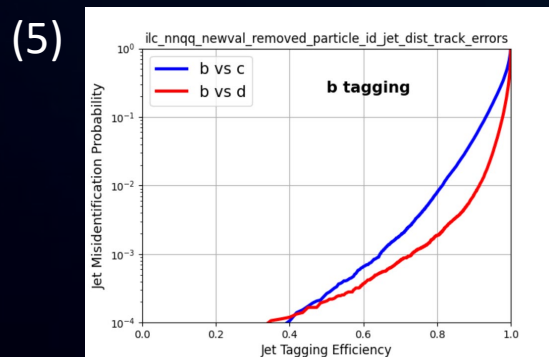
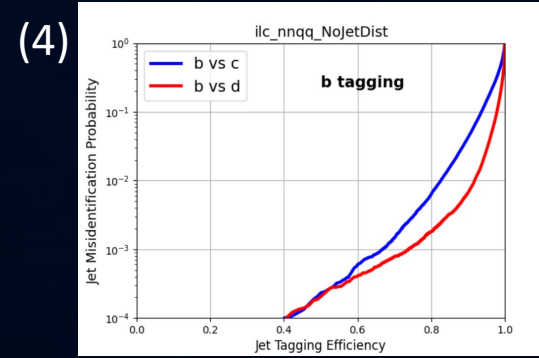
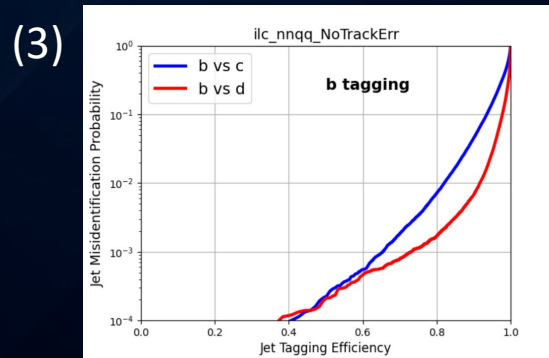
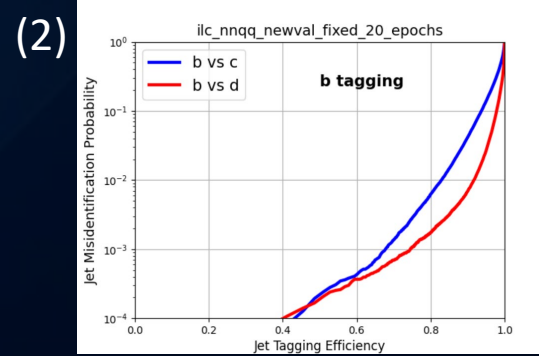
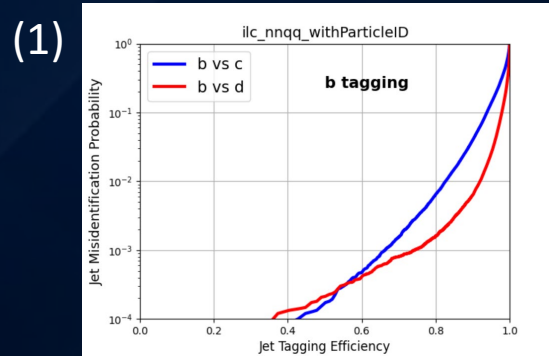
# Comparison with FCC data<sup>[3]</sup>

- Trained with same condition as ILD data for fair comparison. (800k data size, 20 epochs, etc.)
- FCC data has ~ 3 times the performance compared to ILD data.
- Possible cause of the difference:
  - Particle ID: too pessimistic for ILD
  - Definition of some variables
    - Theta, phi etc.
  - Difference on full and fast sim
    - Especially different on tails of distributions
  - Assumed detector resolution (?)



Data	Particle ID	Impact Parameters	Jet Distance	Track Errors	c-bkg acceptance @ b-tag 80% eff.	b-bkg acceptance @ c-tag 50% eff.
ILD (vvqq 250 GeV)	*	*	*	*	<b>0.64%</b>	<b>1.09%</b>
FCC	*	*	*	*	<b>0.23%</b>	<b>0.35%</b>

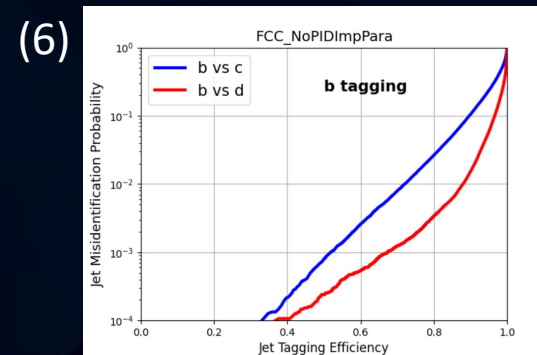
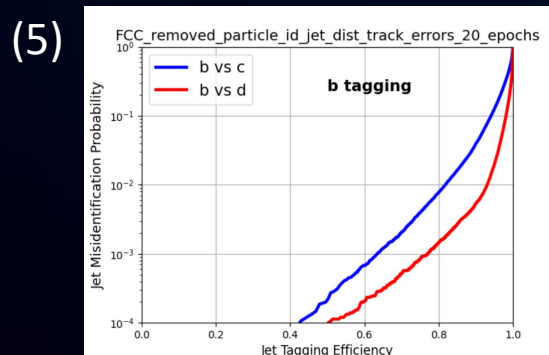
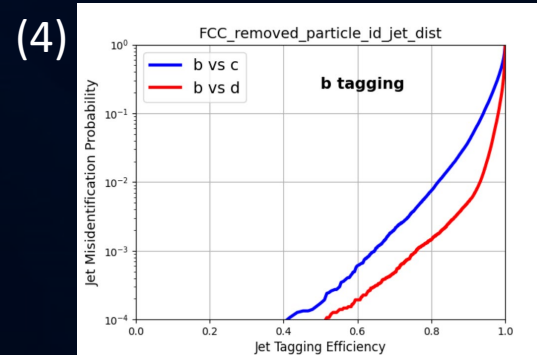
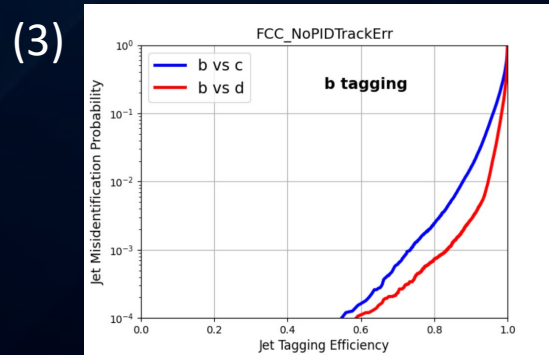
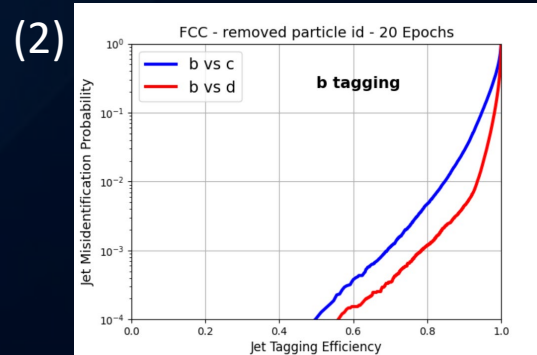
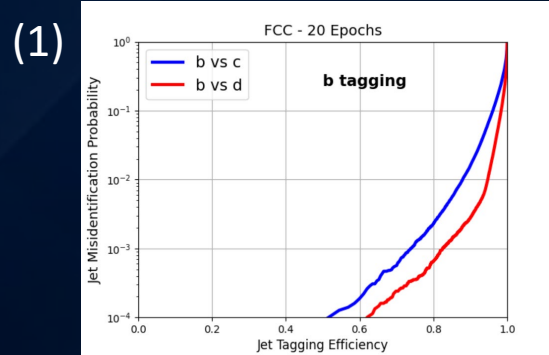
# Effect of different parameters: ILD ( $\nu\nu qq$ 250 GeV)



Plot Index	Particle ID	Impact Parameters	Jet Distance	Track Errors	c-bkg acceptance @ b-tag 80% eff.	b-bkg acceptance @ c-tag 50% eff.
(1)	*	*	*	*	0.64%	1.09%
(2)	-	*	*	*	0.62%	1.14%
(3)	-	*	*	-	0.71%	1.24%
(4)	-	*	-	*	0.63%	1.19%
(5)	-	*	-	-	0.79%	1.28%
(6)	-	-	*	*	9.69%	6.91%

- Impact parameter gives most significance in affecting the training performance.
- The other parameters are about the similar significance (not significant impact).

# Effect of different parameters: FCC



Plot Index	Particle ID	Impact Parameters	Jet Distance	Track Errors	c-bkg acceptance @ b-tag 80% eff.	b-bkg acceptance @ c-tag 50% eff.
(1)	*	*	*	*	0.23%	0.35%
(2)	-	*	*	*	0.47%	0.64%
(3)	-	*	*	-	0.24%	0.35%
(4)	-	*	-	*	0.75%	0.80%
(5)	-	*	-	-	0.77%	0.80%
(6)	-	-	*	*	2.64%	1.58%

- Effect of Impact Parameters also significant.
- Both Particle ID and Jet Distance give significant impacts.
- Removal of track errors improves performance, could be a result of too many variables of Track Errors (15) shifting away the contribution of others. Further investigation should be conducted.



# ILD (vvqq 250 GeV) vs. FCC with partial variables

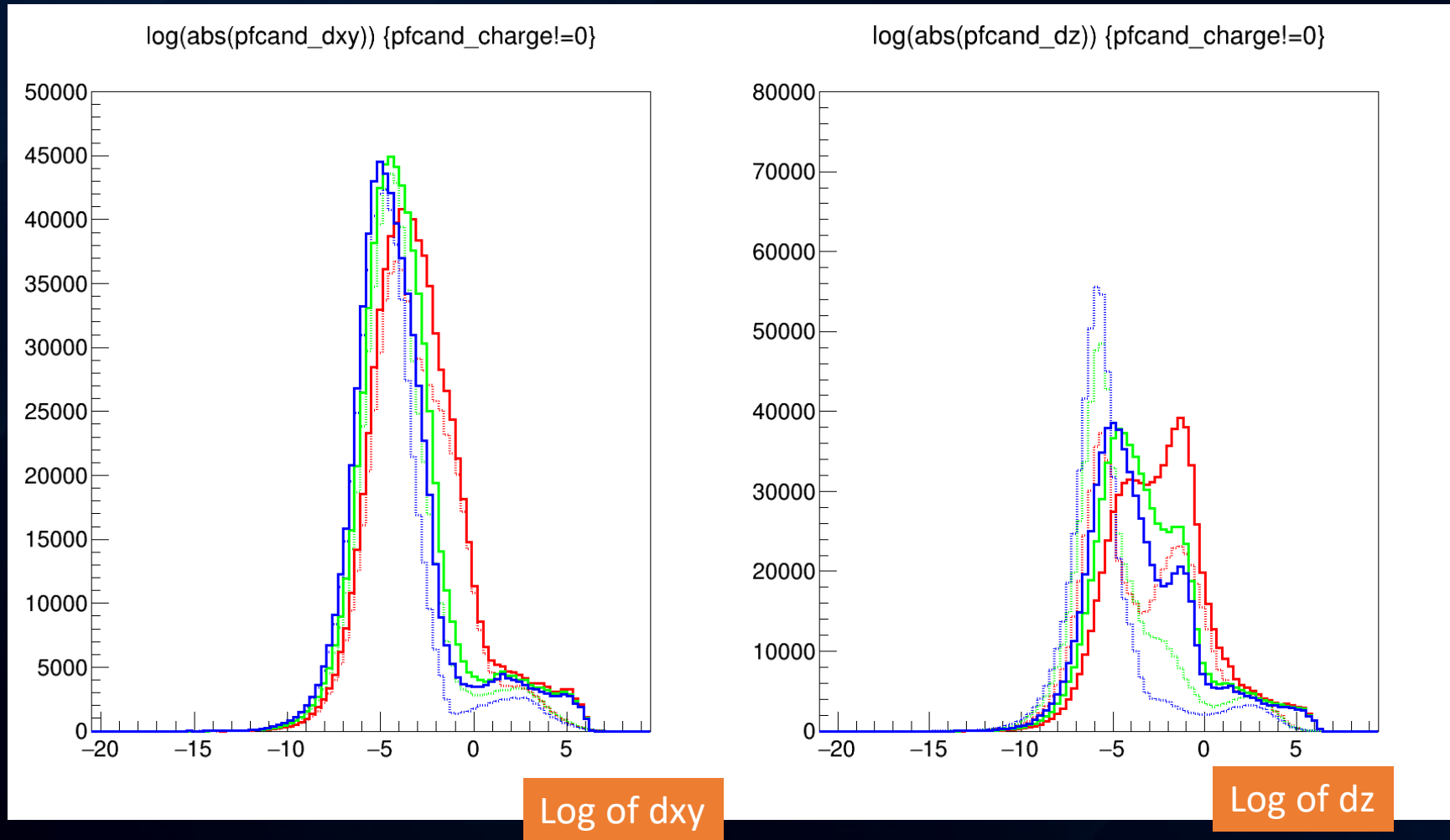
800 kjet for training, 20 epochs

					c-bkg acceptance @ b-tag 80% eff.		b-bkg acceptance @ c-tag 50% eff.	
Plot Index	Particle ID	Impact Parameters	Jet Distance	Track Errors	ILD	FCC	ILD	FCC
(1)	*	*	*	*	0.64%	0.23%	1.09%	0.35%
(2)	-	*	*	*	0.62%	0.47%	1.14%	0.64%
(3)	-	*	*	-	0.71%	0.24%	1.24%	0.35%
(4)	-	*	-	*	0.63%	0.75%	1.19%	0.80%
(5)	-	*	-	-	0.79%	0.77%	1.28%	0.80%
(6)	-	-	*	*	9.69%	2.64%	6.91%	1.58%

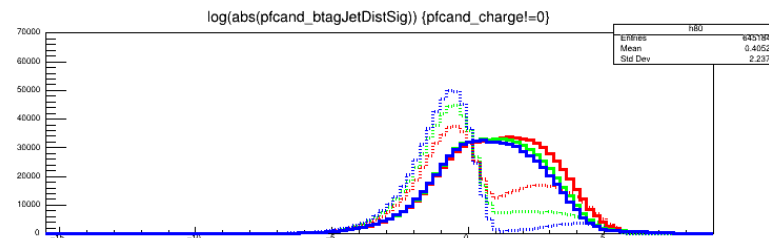
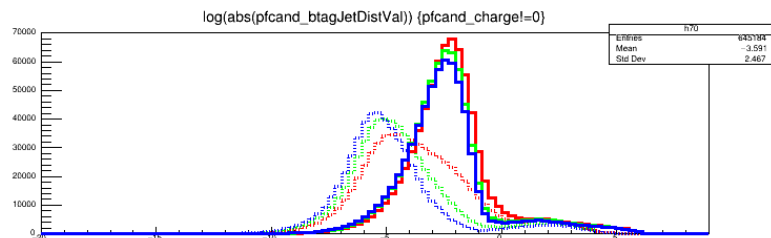
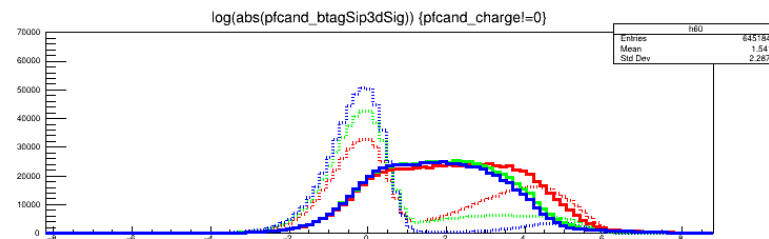
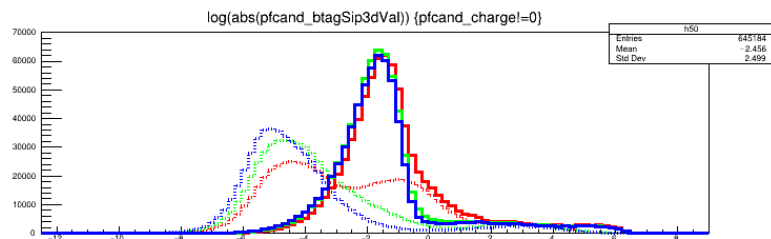
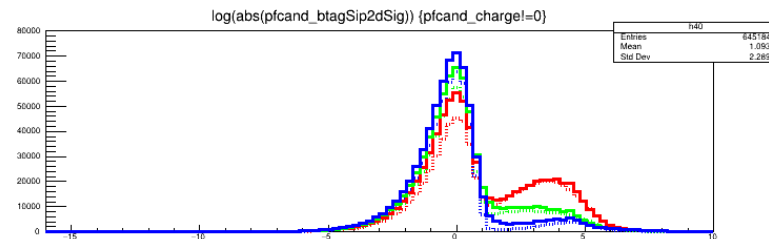
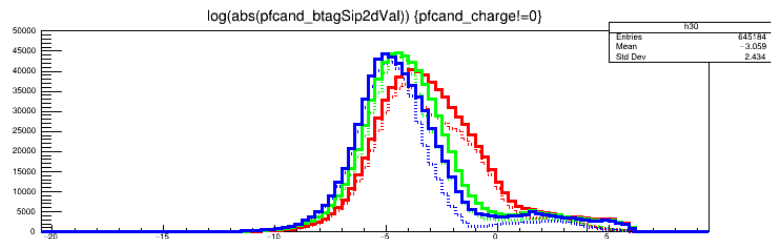
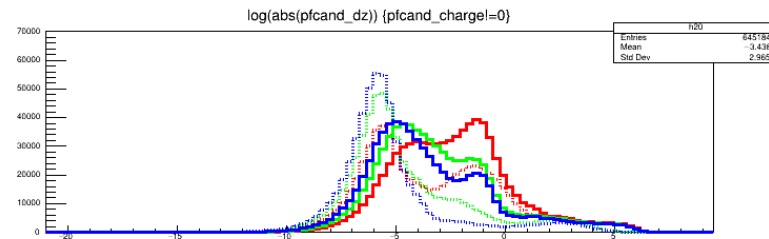
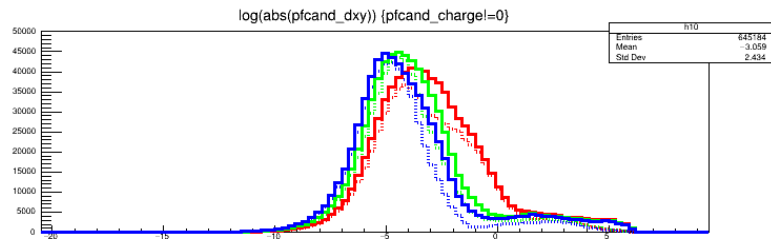
Observations:

1. PID gives significant effect on FCCee, not ILD (due to easy PID in ILD)
2. Track errors are rather harmful in FCCee
3. Difference on b-tag is small with only impact parameters (5), but still see difference in c-tag
4. (of course) significantly losing performance without impact parameter (but still ~ LCFIPlus)

# Difference in impact parameters



# Difference in impact parameters

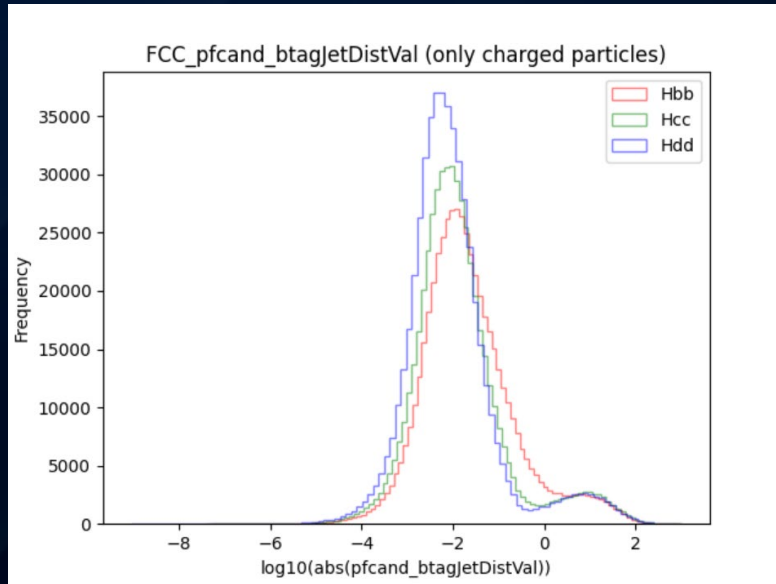


Dotted – FCee  
Solid – ILD

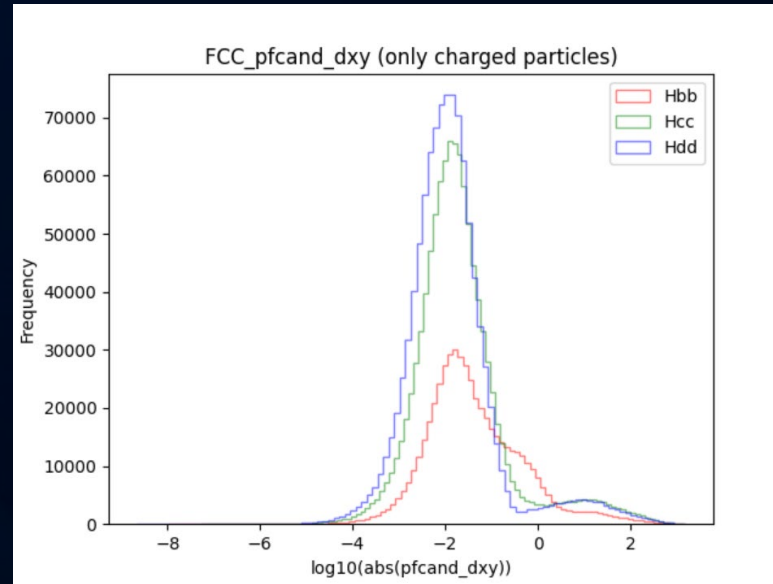
Red – nnbb  
Green – nccc  
Blue – nncd

Significant difference  
on dz seen  
- beam spot smearing?

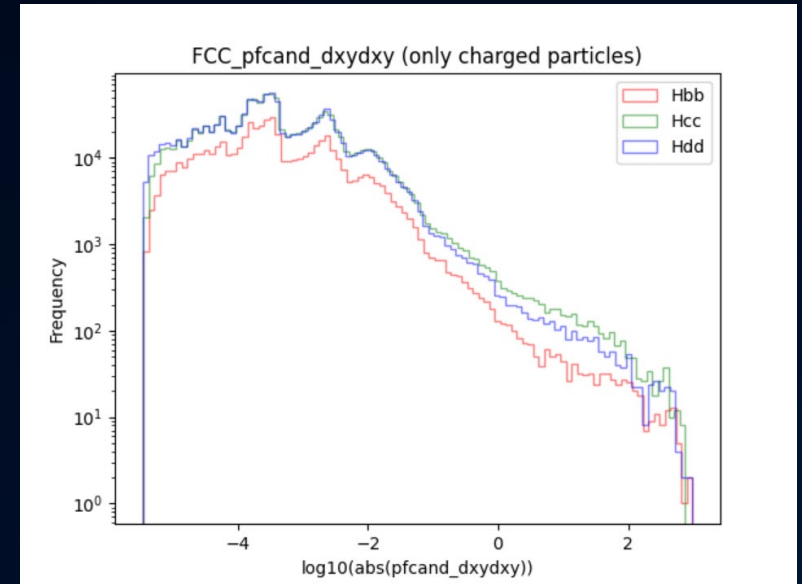
# Potential Improvement: log(abs)



Jet Distance



Impact Parameter

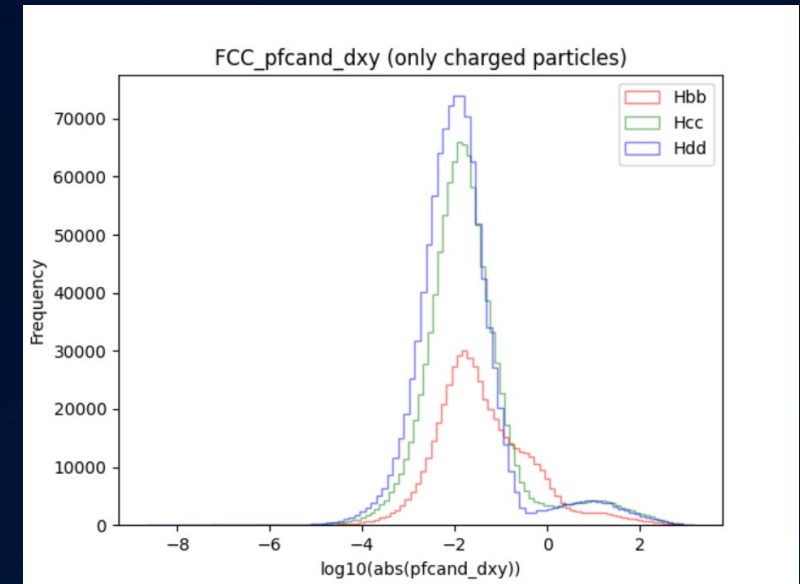


Track Errors

- Some example distribution of log(abs) the three parameters
- All very small (largely gathering around  $10^{-2}$ )
- Hence log(abs) potentially spreads out the distribution and make it more readable by the architecture
- Can potentially improve the performance?

# Potential Improvement: log(abs)

Particle ID	Impact Parameters	Jet Distance	Track Errors	c-bkg acceptance @ b-tag 80% eff.	b-bkg acceptance @ c-tag 50% eff.
-	*	*	*	<b>0.62%</b>	<b>1.14%</b>
-	* +log(abs)	* +log(abs)	* +log(abs)	<b>0.54%</b>	<b>1.06%</b>
-	*	* +log(abs)	* +log(abs)	<b>0.79%</b>	<b>1.33%</b>
-	*	* +log(abs)	*	<b>0.78%</b>	<b>1.36%</b>
-	* +log(abs)	*	*	<b>0.47%</b>	<b>1.03%</b>
-	log(abs)	log(abs)	log(abs)	<b>0.82%</b>	<b>1.32%</b>
-	*	log(abs)	log(abs)	<b>0.80%</b>	<b>1.37%</b>
-	*	*	log(abs)	<b>0.82%</b>	<b>1.38%</b>



Impact Parameter

ML prefers “gaussian-like” distribution  
 Not sensitive to small values  
 (because of linear weighting)

Track errors or impact parameters should convert with e.g. log function  
 → slightly improving performance  
 (but not much as expected...)



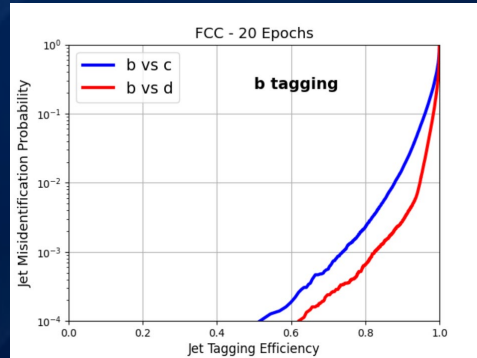
# Use $p_x$ , $p_y$ , $p_z$ instead of $p$ (Interaction)

				c-bkg acceptance @ b-tag 80% eff.			b-bkg acceptance @ c-tag 50% eff.	
Particle ID	Impact Parameters	Jet Distance	Track Errors	$p$	$p_x$ $p_y$ $p_z$	$p$	$p_x$ $p_y$ $p_z$	
-	*	*	*	0.62%	0.49%	1.14%	1.01%	
-	* +log(abs)	* +log(abs)	* +log(abs)	0.54%	0.52%	1.06%	1.00%	
-	* +log(abs)	*	*	0.47%	0.50%	1.03%	0.97%	

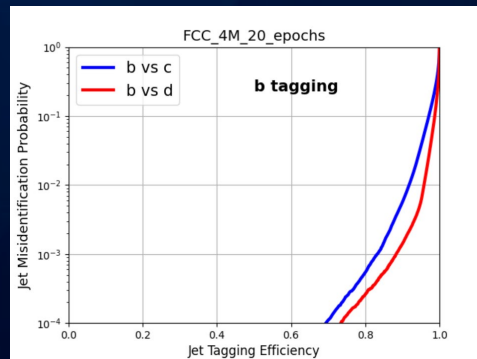
- ILD (vvqq 250 GeV) data shows that application of  $p_x$ ,  $p_y$ ,  $p_z$  has better performance than  $p$ .
- However, application of  $\log(\text{abs})$  of the parameters becomes less significant.
- Can be because that application of  $p_x$ ,  $p_y$ ,  $p_z$  changes the way  $\log(\text{abs})$  interacts with other parameters.
- Other potential treatments can be investigated.

# Sample size affects performance (FCCee sample)

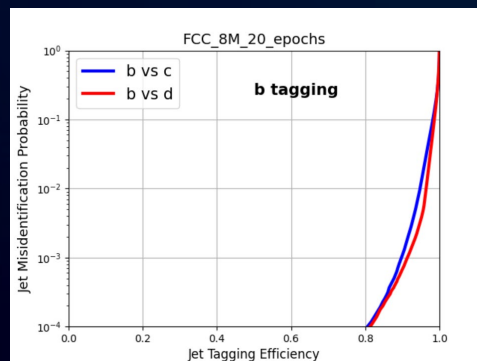
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Plot Index	Particle ID	Impact Parameters	Jet Distance	Track Errors	Training Sample size	c-bkg acceptance @ b-tag 80% eff.	b-bkg acceptance @ c-tag 50% eff.
(1)	*	*	*	*	800k	0.23%	0.35%
(2)	*	*	*	*	4M	0.054%	0.20%
(3)	*	*	*	*	8M	Unreasonably good, TBC	

- Training performance significantly improved with bigger data sample size
- Training sample size change of FCC data:  
800k → 4M : 4 times better performance (b-tagging)  
4M → 8M: 5 times better performance (b-tagging)
- This non-linearity of increase in performance should be further investigated.
- Bigger data size of ILD should be obtained for better performance, as well as comparison with FCC data for further investigation on its behaviour.

# Fine tuning

## Two objectives

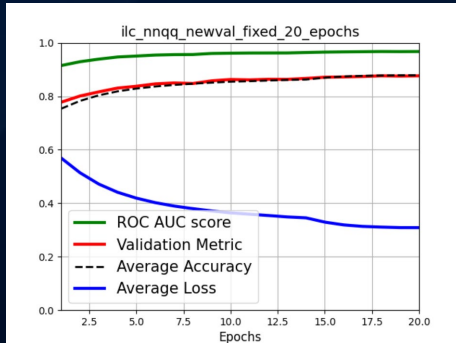
- Pretrained with fast sim and fine-tune with full sim
- Pretrained with large central production and fine-tune with dedicated physics samples in each analysis

							c-bkg acceptance @ b-tag 80% eff.		b-bkg acceptance @ c-tag 50% eff.	
Particle ID	Impact Parameters	Jet Distance	Track Errors	Fine-Tuning Sample	Training Sample	Similar theta/phi ?	No Fine-Tuning	With Fine-Tuning	No Fine-Tuning	With Fine-Tuning
-	*	*	*	FCC 240 GeV (8M)	ILD 250 GeV (800k)	-	<b>0.62%</b>	<b>1.37%</b>	<b>1.14%</b>	<b>1.95%</b>
-	*	*	*	FCC 240 GeV (8M)	ILD 250 GeV (800k)	*	<b>1.77%</b>	<b>1.32%</b>	<b>2.22%</b>	<b>2.01%</b>
*	*	*	*	ILD 250 GeV (800k)	ILD 91 GeV (80k)	*	<b>4.49%</b>	<b>0.97%</b>	<b>3.79%</b>	<b>1.53%</b>

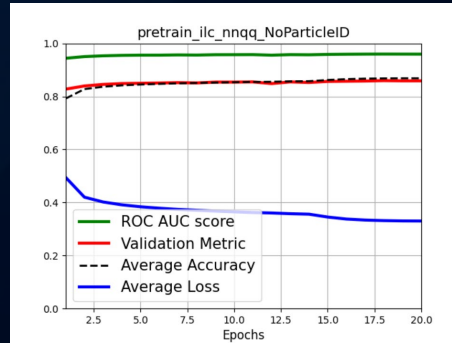
- Use result of 8M FCC data to train ILD 800k data
- Improves performance only when setups are similar
- Training of same setup (pretrain ILD 91 GeV data with ILD 250 GeV data) gives best performance
- Further investigation should be conducted on how to maximise the outcome for fine-tuning between different data sets

# Fine tuning – Training curves

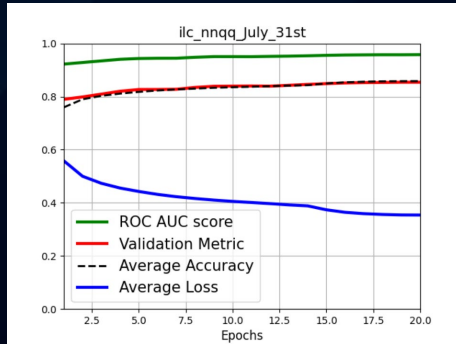
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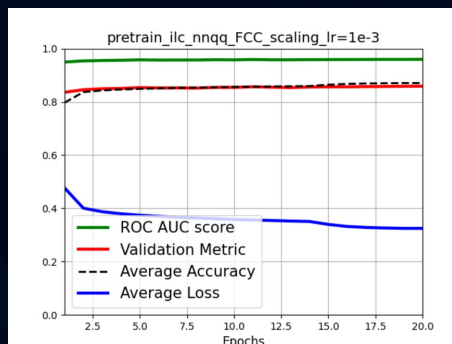
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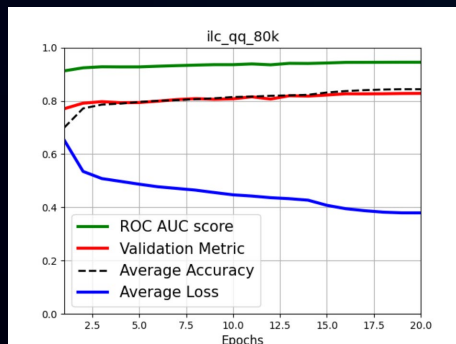
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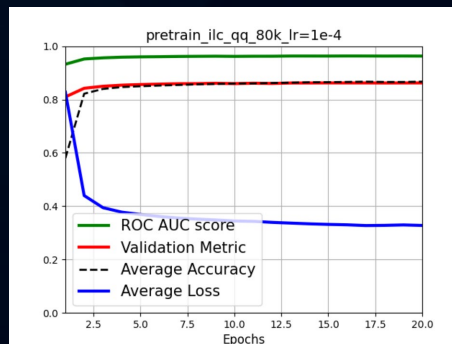
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							Plot Indices	
Particle ID	Impact Parameters	Jet Distance	Track Errors	Fine-Tuning Sample	Training Sample	Similar theta/phi?	No Fine-Tuning	With Fine-Tuning
-	*	*	*	FCC 240 GeV (8M)	ILD 250 GeV (800k)	-	(1)	(2)
-	*	*	*	FCC 240 GeV (8M)	ILD 250 GeV (800k)	*	(3)	(4)
*	*	*	*	ILD 250 GeV (800k)	ILD 91 GeV (80k)	*	(5)	(6)

- With fine-tuning, the training is obviously accelerated for the initial epochs (even for those with worse eventual performance)
- This is particularly obvious between plots (5) & (6) – similar simulation setup data

# Things we are working on / plan to do

1. Share the data with FCC people – where to upload?
2. Confirm uncertainty of training and sample
  - With individual training of the same sample
  - Shuffling training/validation/test samples
3. Optimizing input parameters (transformation of variables etc.)  
- should be agreed with FCCee for fair comparison
4. Trying fast simulation of ILD (SGV) and try to use for pretraining  
(alternatively prepare 10 M jets with full simulation)
5. Include better particle ID on ILD based on recent PID developments
6. Strange tagging – including  $\pi/K/p$  separation variables
7. Preparing inference procedure to be used for physics analyses  
(cooperation with software group essential)
8. Try similar but different structure like plain Transformer, Graphormer etc.



# Summary

- Particle Transformer seems very promising in quark flavour tagging.
- Its performance can be further improved by adjusting the input parameters.
- Bigger data set is required for better training outcomes.
- Fine-tuning is effective with the model, but only for similar data setups.
- It's maybe time to start thinking of how to apply to physics analyses.
- Its application on other reconstruction algorithms should be explored.

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