

A reproduction of Vincent van Gogh's painting "The Starry Night". The scene depicts a dark blue sky filled with swirling, yellow and white stars and a crescent moon. In the foreground, a dark, silhouetted cypress tree stands on a hillside. The background shows rolling hills under a starry sky.

Top quark: properties and beyond

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- ❖ Mass, V_{tb} , taus
- ❖ Spin correlation
- ❖ Charge asymmetry
- ❖ Boosted topology
- ❖ Searches for New Physics

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- Introduction (discovery, object ID)
- Top pair production at the Tevatron
- Top pair production at LHC
- (differential) cross section

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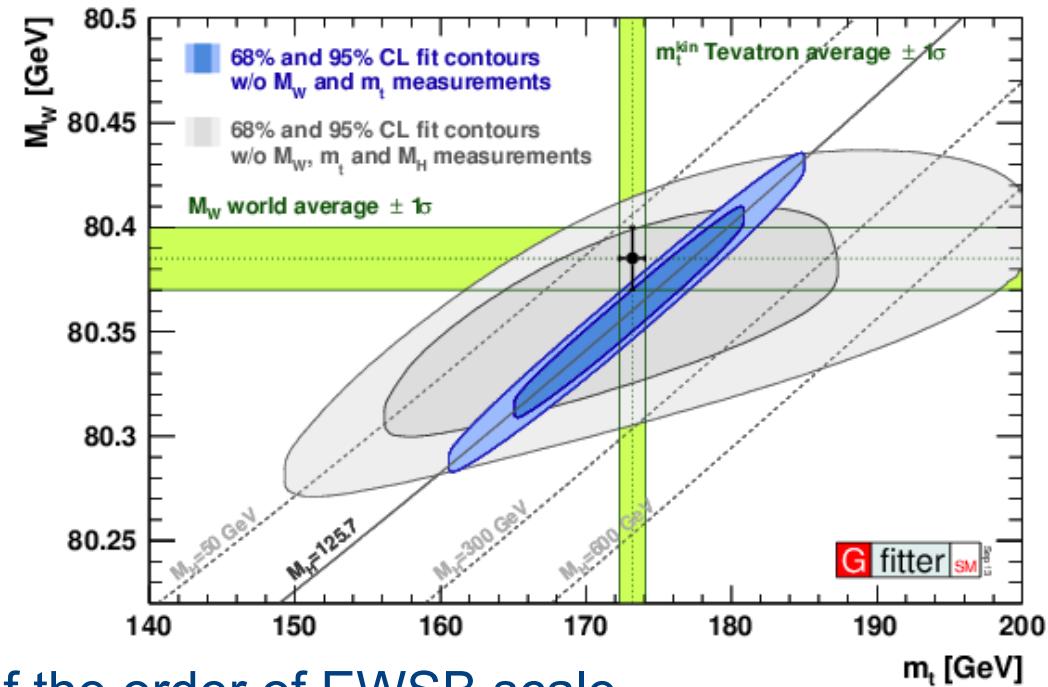
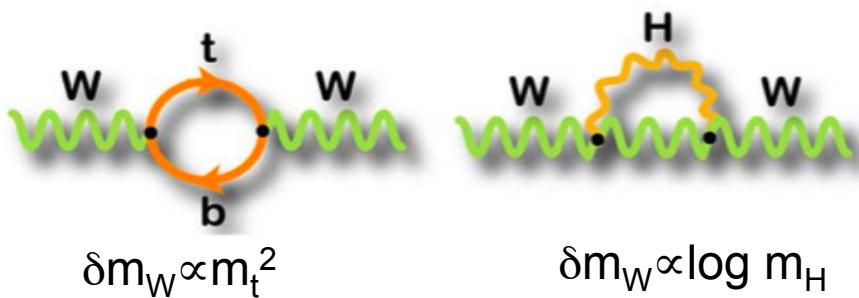
- Mass, heavy flavor content, taus
 - Search for top partners and 4th generation quarks
 - Search for ttbar resonances
 - Spin correlation, charge asymmetry
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- Single top production
 - Flavor Changing Neutral Currents (FCNC)

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Top quark mass

Top quark mass and constraints

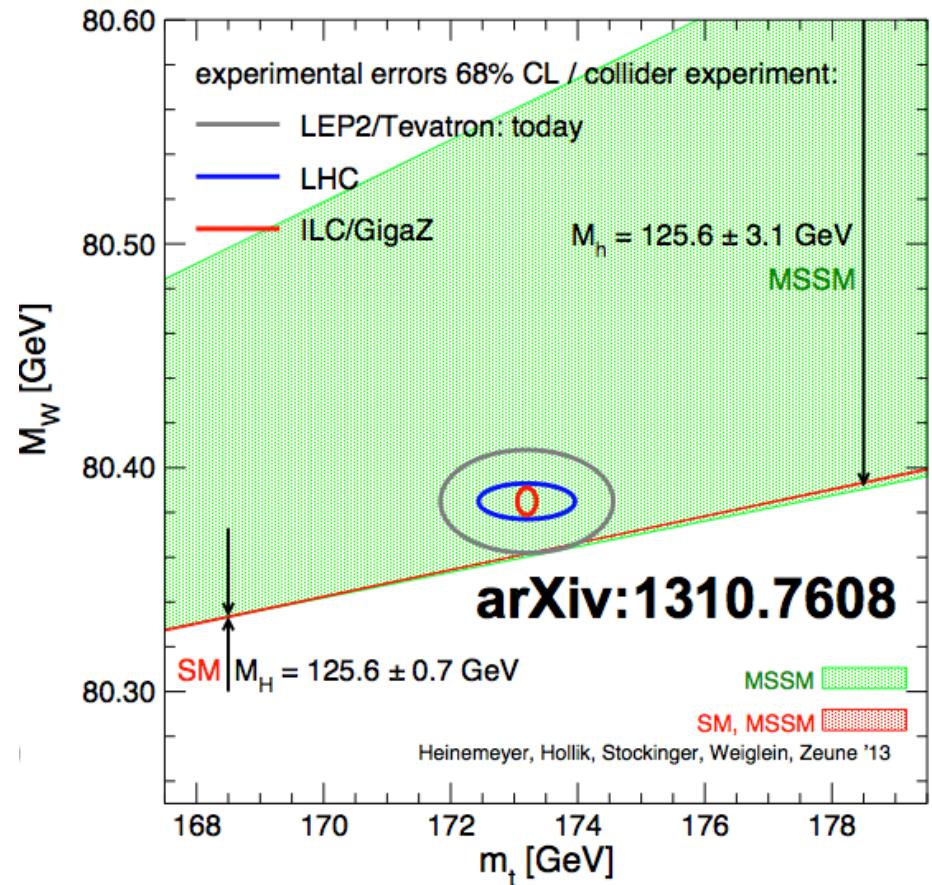
- Top quark mass is a fundamental parameter of the SM
 - Known with good accuracy from the Tevatron: 173.2 ± 0.9 GeV (arXiv:1107.5255)
 - Indirect constraint on the Higgs boson mass via EW corrections



- Top is the only fermion with the mass of the order of EWSB scale
- Measuring precisely m_W and m_{top}
 - Test consistency of SM
 - Search for new Physics

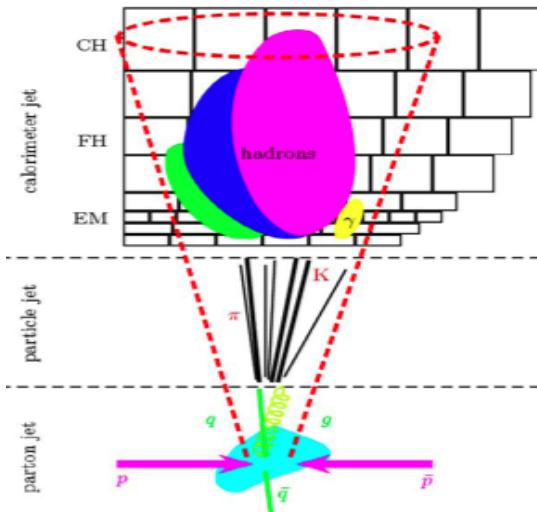
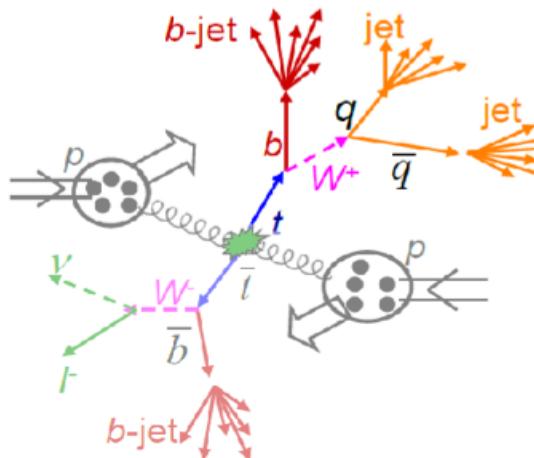
Top mass and constraints (cont.)

- Newly discovered Higgs boson fits well with more and more precise determinations of the W and top quark masses
 - Highly fine-tuned situation: vacuum is at the verge of being stable/metastable
 - ~1GeV in either top quark or Higgs mass is all it takes to tip the scales!
- LHC Run2 will likely allow for discrimination between SM and MSSM scenario

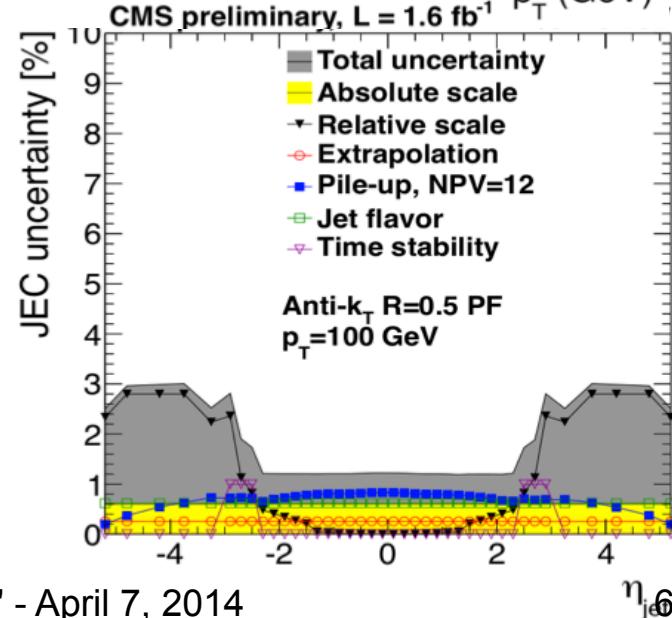
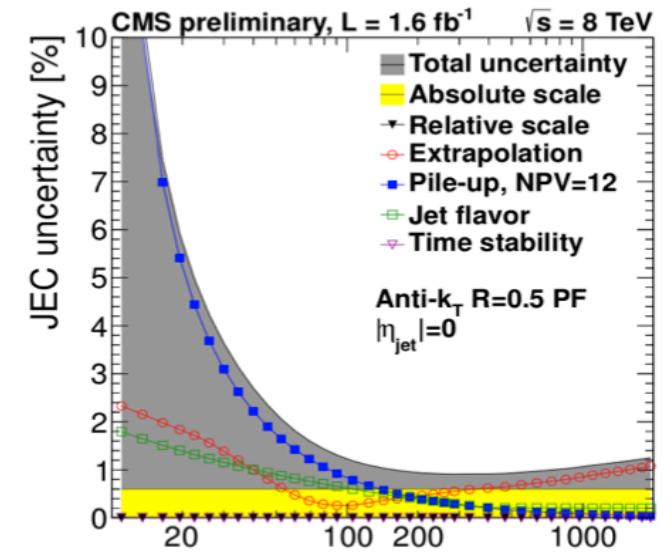


Jet reconstruction in Top events

- Top mass measurement needs parton information, but we measure jets
- Use calorimeter information to correct jets to particle level

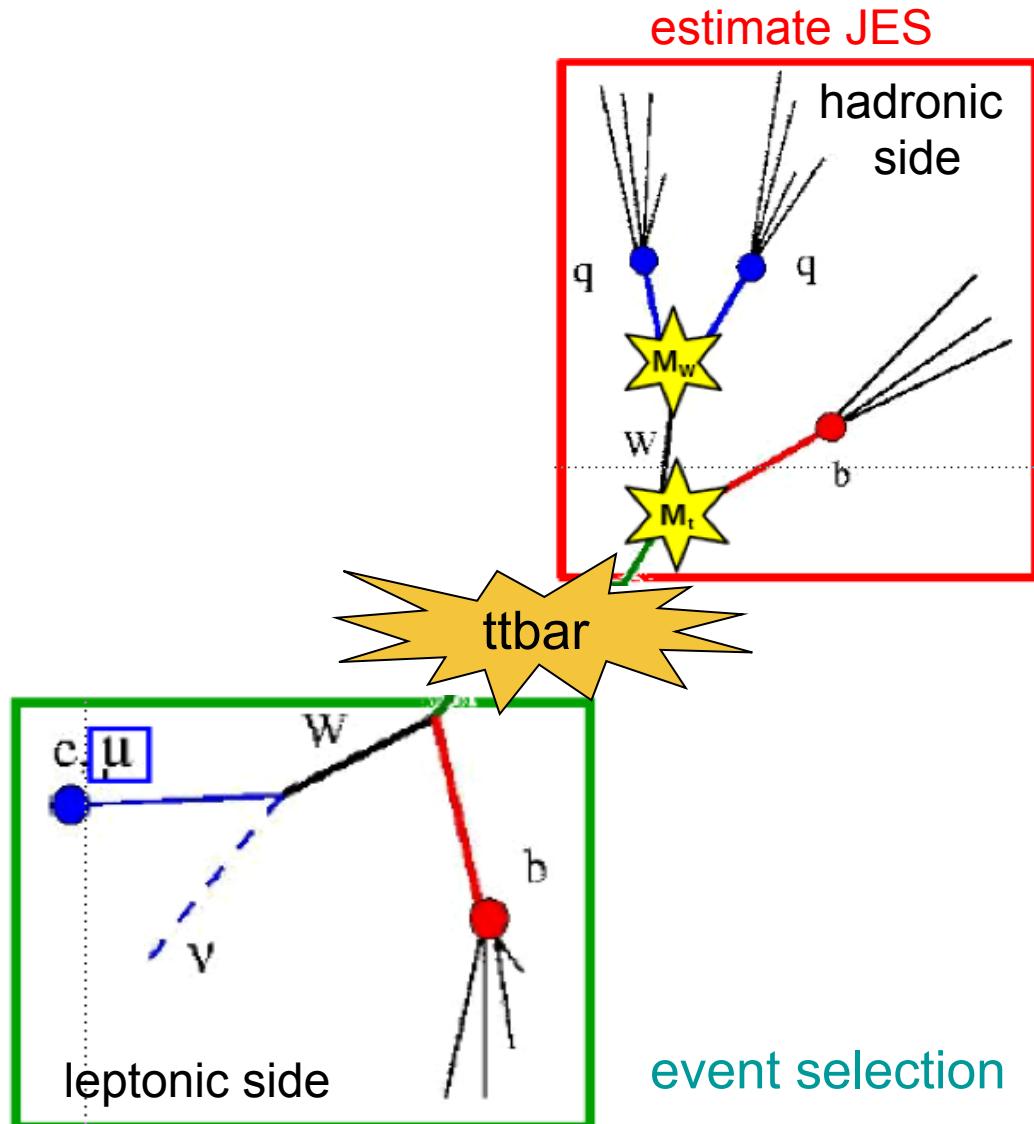
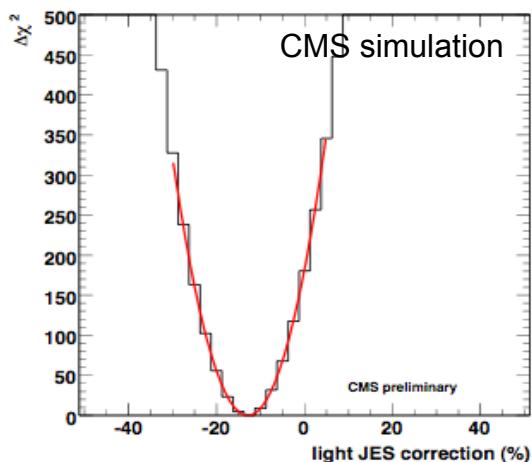


- Contribution of uncertainty sources depend on p_T , η
- Jet energy correction uncertainty:
 - Look at quantities insensitive to JES (e.g. lepton p_T)
 - “b-jet” tag helps reducing number of permutations
- JES “in-situ” calibration in $t\bar{t}$ events
 - Use $W \rightarrow jj$ constraint to measured W mass



Jet energy correction from Top

- Use semi-leptonic events
 - 1 isol μ ($p_T > 30$ GeV) + ≥ 4 jets (40 GeV)
- Estimate jet energy corrections by applying event-by-event kinematical fit to W and Top masses
- Likelihood is used to assign jets
- Kinematical fit returns $P(\chi^2)$
- Find best JES by minimizing χ^2



Measuring the top mass

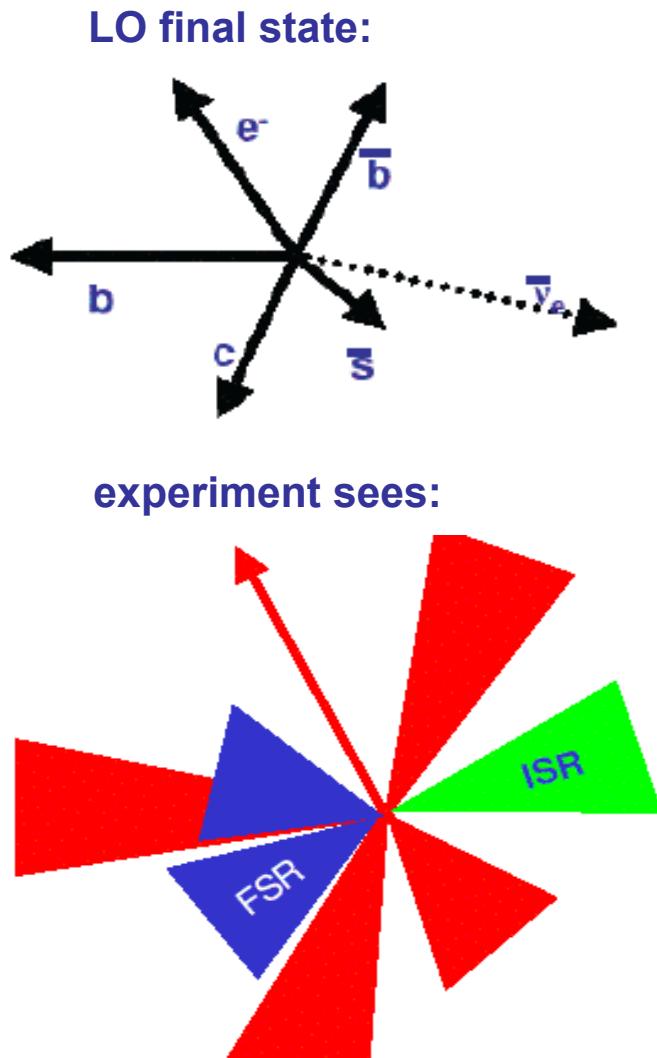
Challenging:

➤ Lepton+jets

- undetected neutrino
 - P_x and P_y from E_T conservation
 - 2 solutions for P_z from $M_W = M_{l\nu}$
- leading 4-jet combinatorics
 - 12 possible jet-parton assignments
 - 6 with 1 b-tag
 - 2 with 2 b-tags
- ISR + FSR

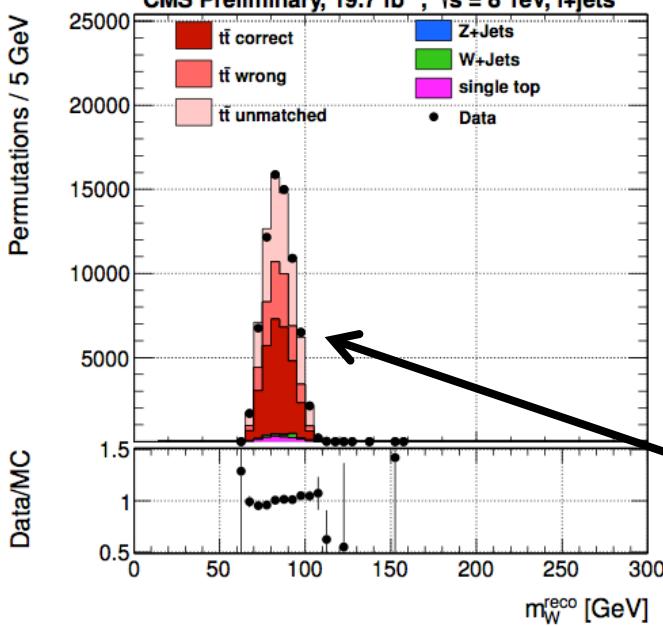
➤ Dileptons

- (less statistics)
- two undetected neutrinos
- less combinatorics: 2 jets

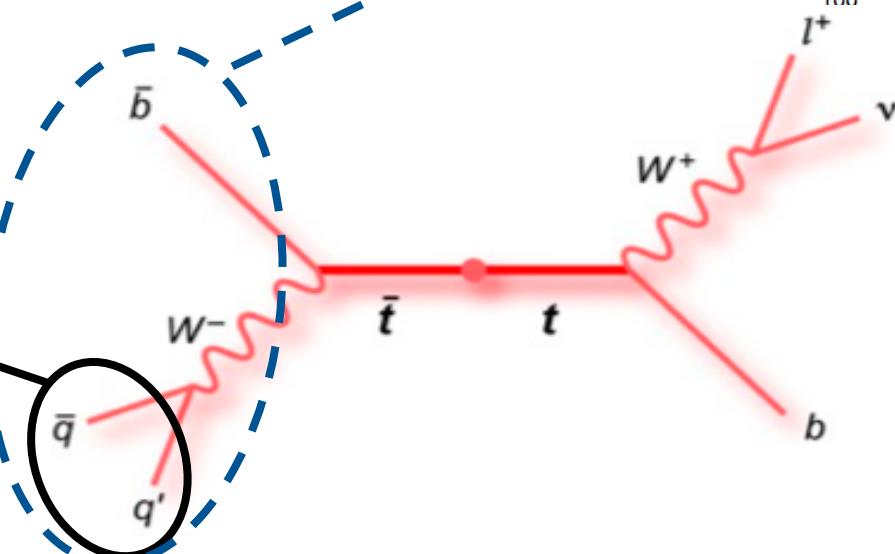
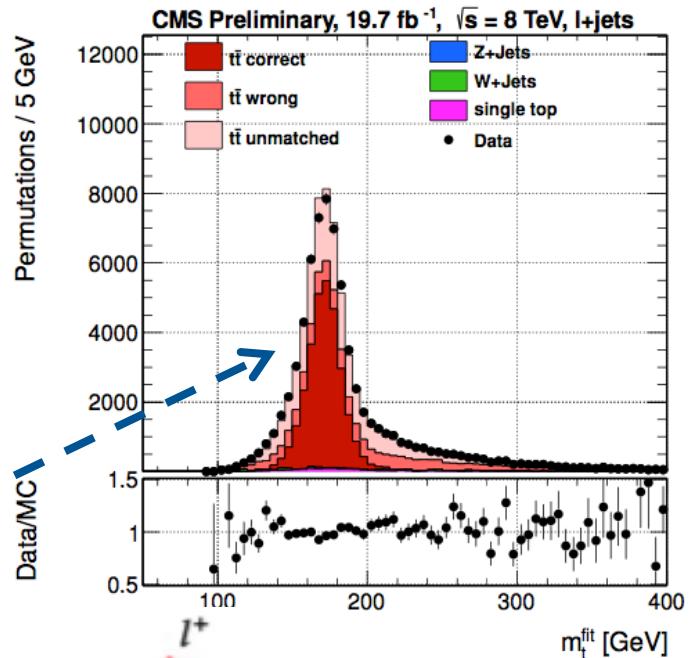


Lepton+jet channel

- Well defined final state
 - one lepton, one neutrino, 2 b-jets, $W \rightarrow q\bar{q}'$
- Compromise between large branching ratio (BR=30%) and a good background rejection



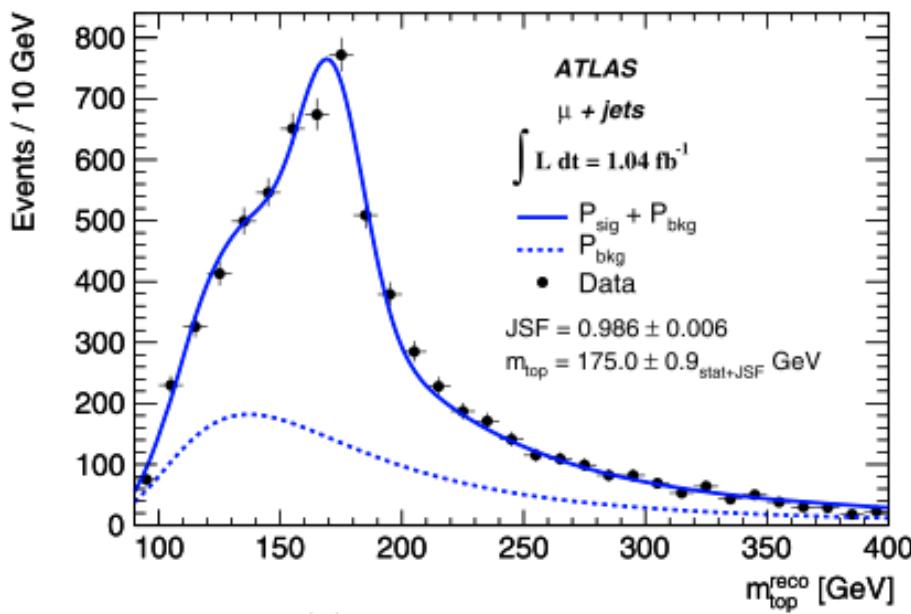
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Lepton+jet channel

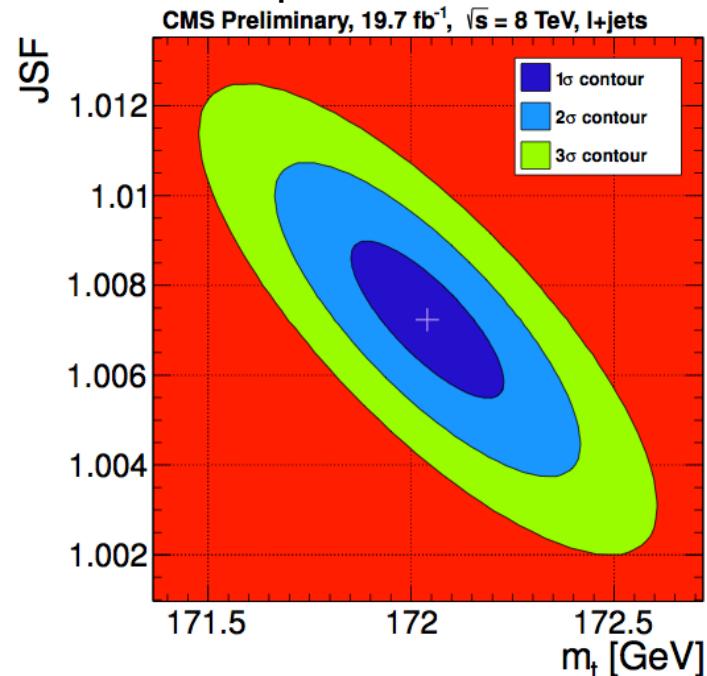
- in-situ calibration of the light quark JES from $W \rightarrow qq'$

ATLAS: template fit as function of JES and top quark mass



$\Rightarrow m_{top} = 174.4 \pm 0.6 \text{ (stat)} \pm 2.3 \text{ (syst)} \text{ GeV}$
 $172.0 \pm 0.2 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.8 \text{ (syst)} \text{ GeV}$

CMS: kinematic fit + “ideogram” method
combine event-per-event likelihood

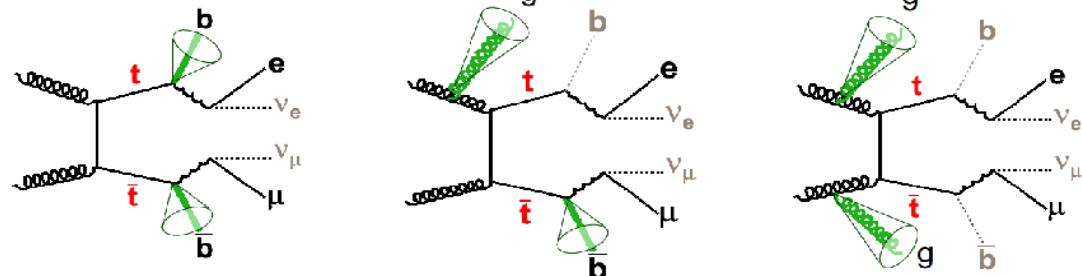


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Dilepton channel: challenges

- Combinatorics

- Identify top quark decay products
- Ambiguity
- ISR/FSR introduces further complexity for selection
(~70% of the events have both b-jets reconstructed and selected)

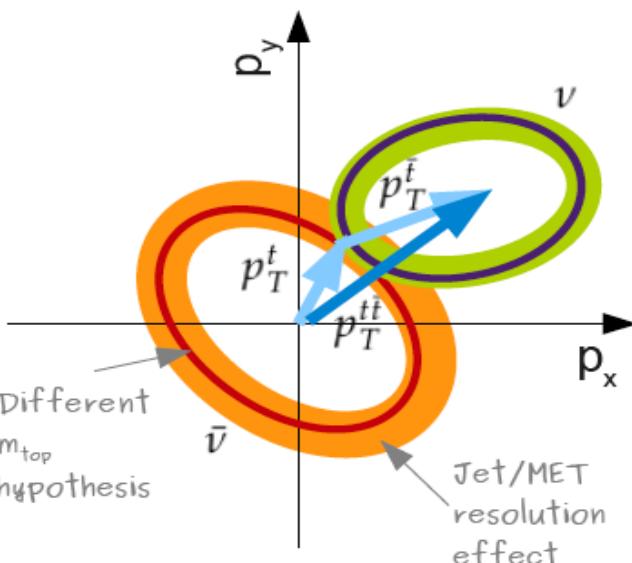


- Missing transverse energy

- Constrains the contribution from undetected particles
- In the dilepton channel: 2 neutrinos $\Rightarrow \vec{E}_T^{miss} = \vec{p}_T^\nu + \vec{p}_T^{\bar{\nu}}$

- Jet energy scale

- m_{top} reconstruction requires measuring the parton energy
- parton \rightarrow jet affected by resolution and absolute energy scale



- Pile-up

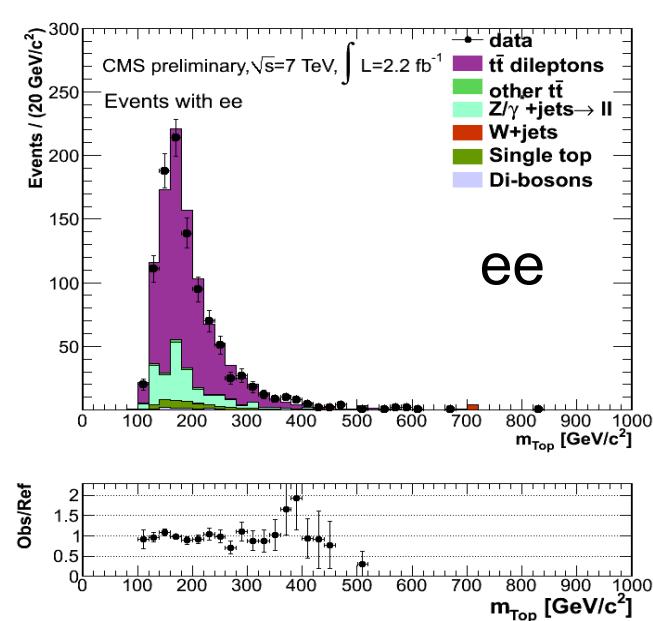
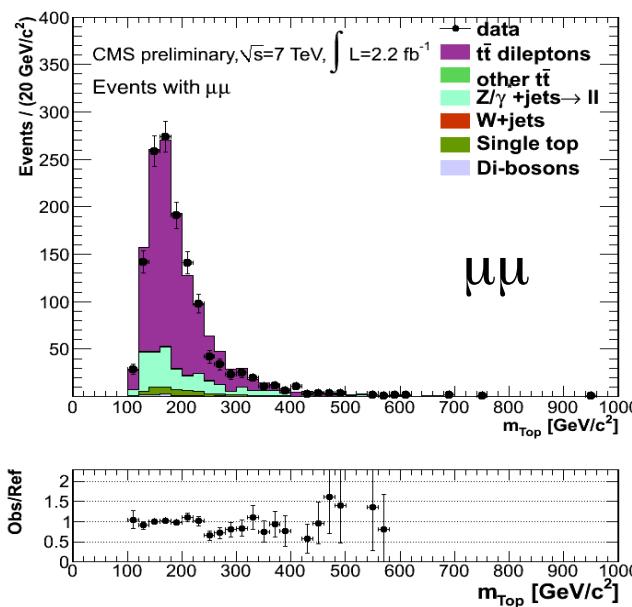
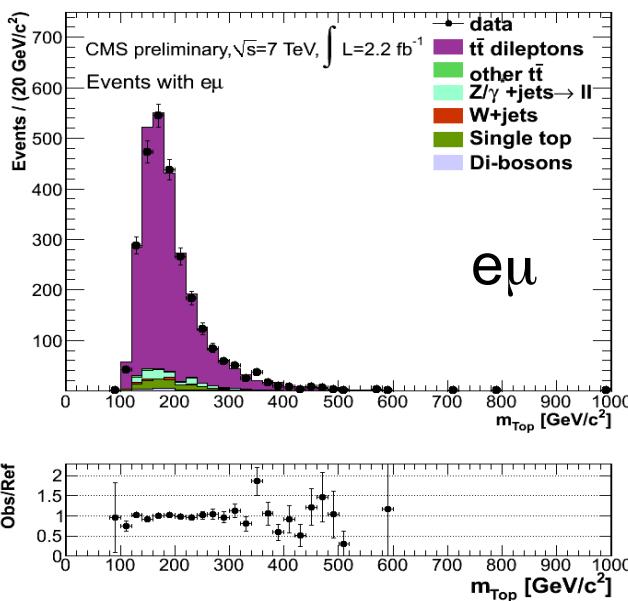
- Jet energy scale, MET measurement, extra jets/leptons
- $N_{pileup} \approx 6$ (21) for most of data collected in 2011 (2012)

Reconstructed mass

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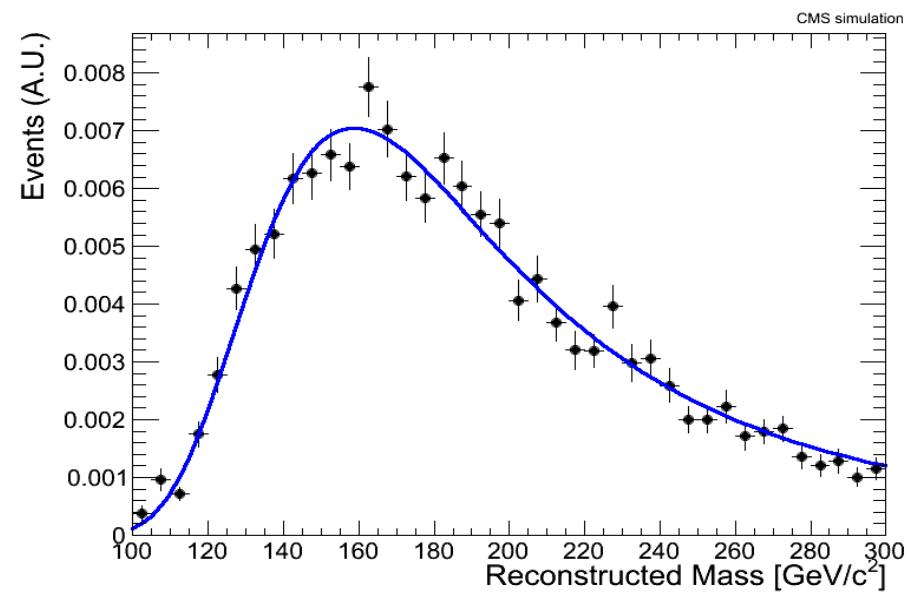
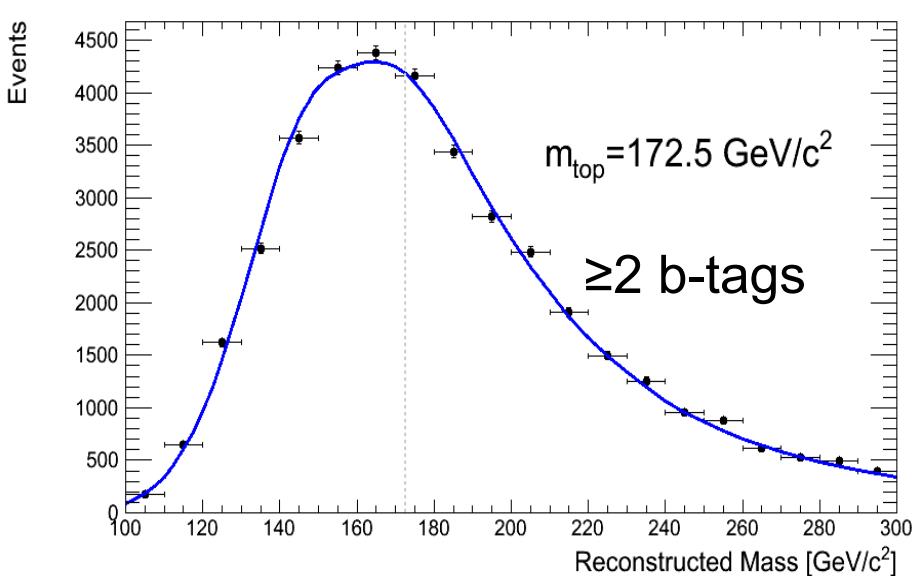
- Select events
- Reconstruct mass

Process	Pre-selection	KINb	=1 b-tag	≥ 2 b-tags
Di-bosons	73 ± 14	55 ± 10	18 ± 4	4 ± 1
Single top	247 ± 92	182 ± 68	88 ± 33	76 ± 29
W+jets	22 ± 10	16 ± 8	8 ± 6	-
$Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow \ell\ell$	1091 ± 97	756 ± 71	238 ± 29	47 ± 11
other $t\bar{t}$	32 ± 4	28 ± 3	11 ± 2	14 ± 2
$t\bar{t}$ dileptons	5057 ± 463	4209 ± 385	1379 ± 127	2623 ± 240
total expected	6522 ± 482	5246 ± 398	1742 ± 134	2765 ± 242
data	6358	5047	1692	2620



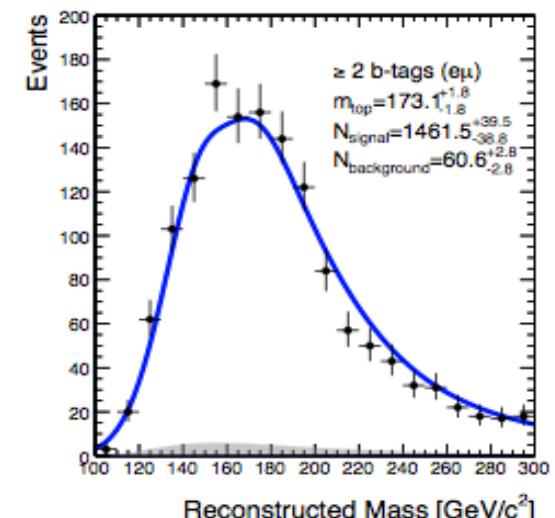
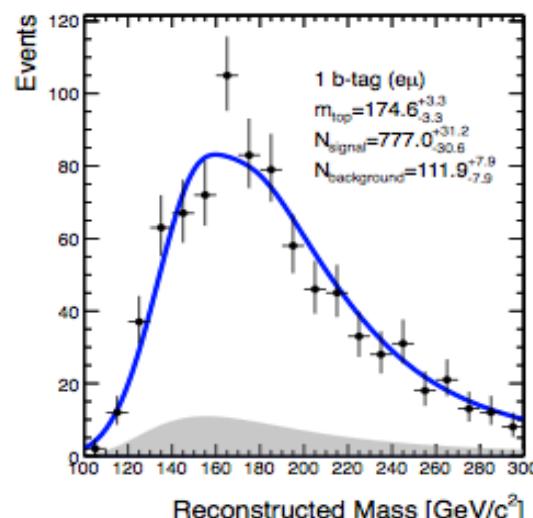
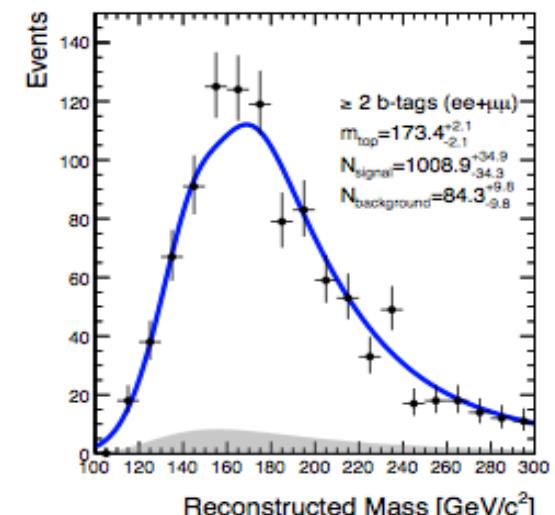
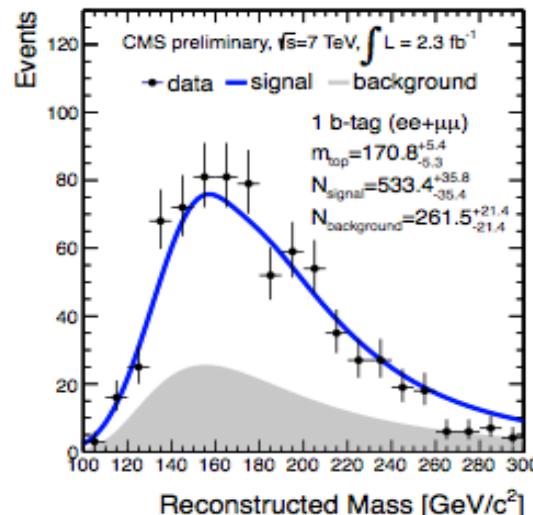
Signal and background

- Signal component in the mass spectrum modelled: simulation
- Fit: Landau+Gaussian
- Categories: =1 and ≥ 2 b-tags
- Background component in the mass spectrum modelled with data +simulation
- Fit: Landau



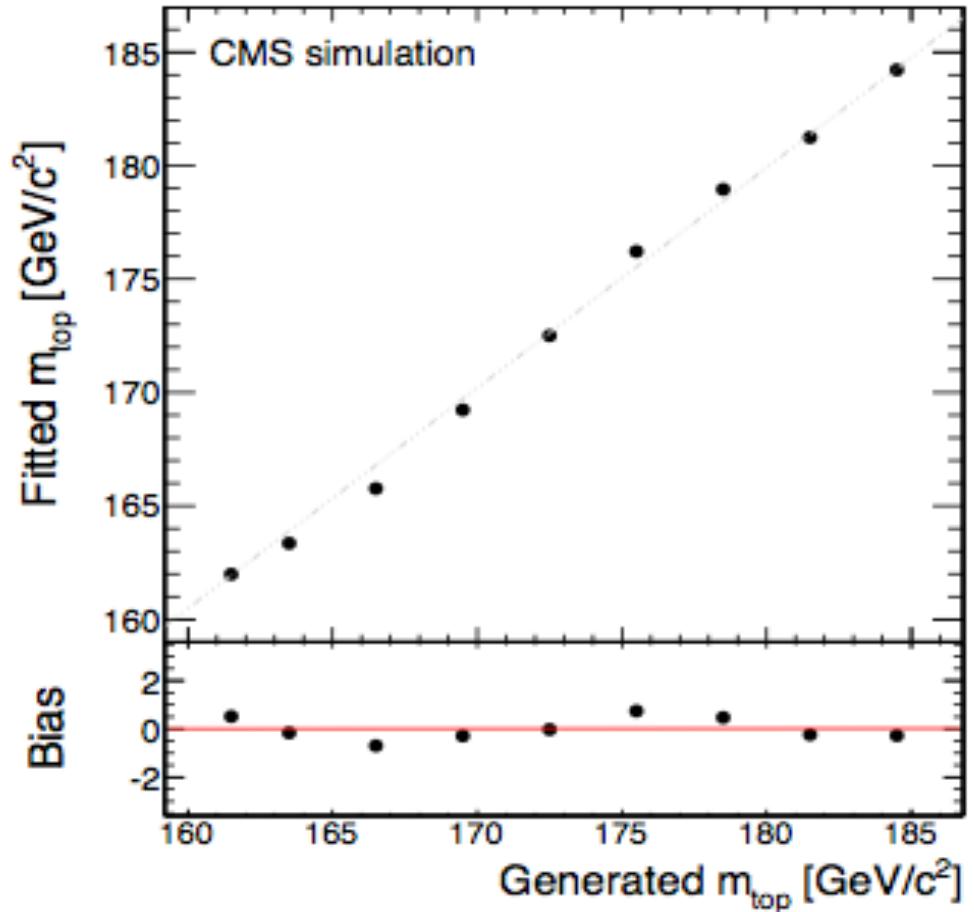
Reconstructed mass

- Top quark mass is reconstructed in different categories
- Signal and background shapes



Correct for the bias

- Check and correct for the bias in the measurement

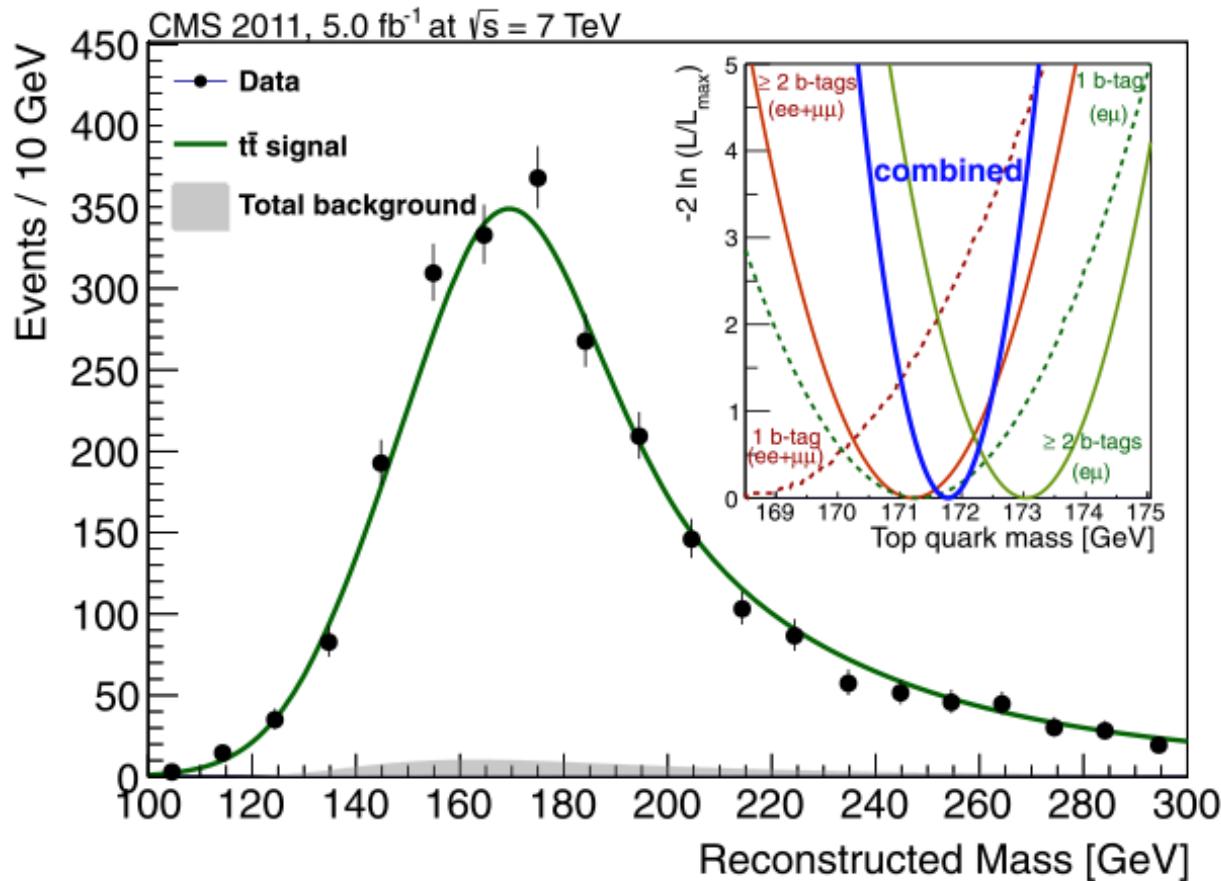


Do not forget the systematics

- Jet energy scale (JES) is the largest unc.
 - JES is varied up and down and difference in m_{top} is accounted for as systematics
 - Flavor (b) specific uncertainty added in quadrature
- Other systematics:
 - Difference with respect to reference sample used for signal
 - MC: compare Alpgen and Powheg with Madgraph
 - Vary factorization/matching scale, ISR/FSR

Source	Δm_t (GeV)
Jet energy scale	+0.90 -0.97
b-jet energy scale	+0.76 -0.66
Jet energy resolution	± 0.14
Lepton energy scale	± 0.14
Unclustered E_T^{miss}	± 0.12
b-tagging efficiency	± 0.05
Mistag rate	± 0.08
Fit calibration	± 0.40
Background normalization	± 0.05
Matching scale	± 0.19
Renormalisation and factorisation scale	± 0.55
Pileup	± 0.11
PDFs	± 0.09
Underlying event	± 0.26
Colour reconnection	± 0.13
Monte Carlo generator	± 0.04
Total	± 1.48

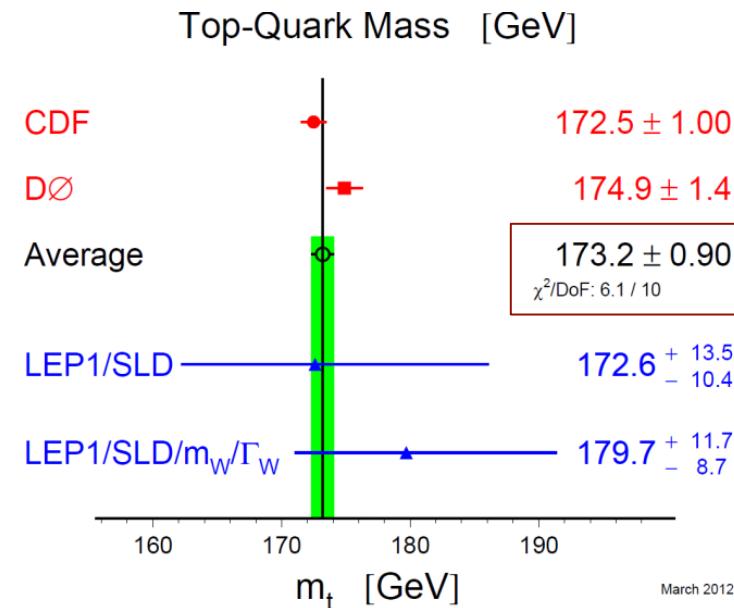
Final fit



$$m_t = 172.5 \pm 0.4 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 1.5 \text{ (syst.) GeV}$$

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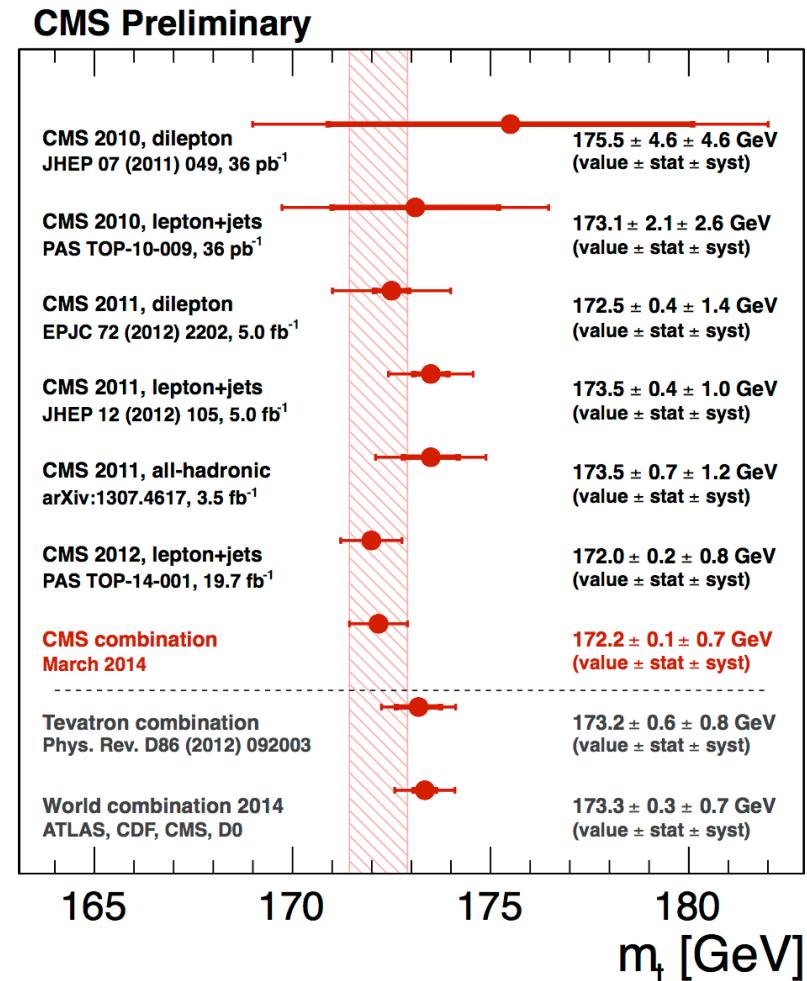
Top quark mass



arXiv:1107.5255
±0.5%

- dominated by l+jet channel

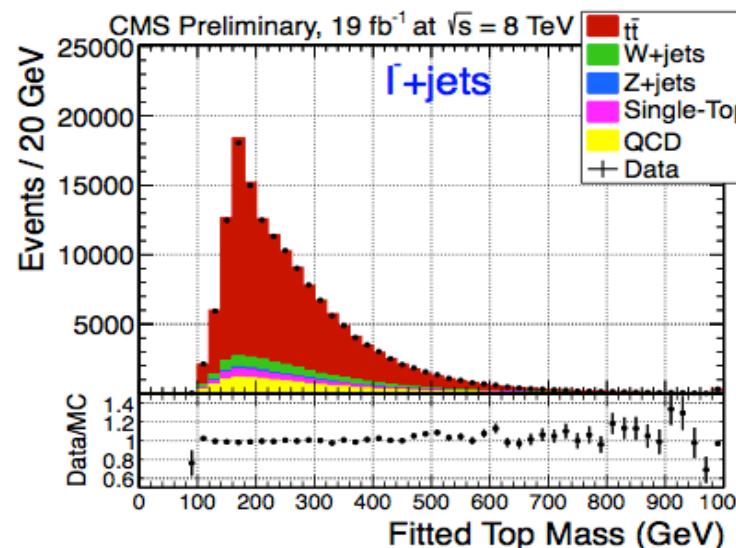
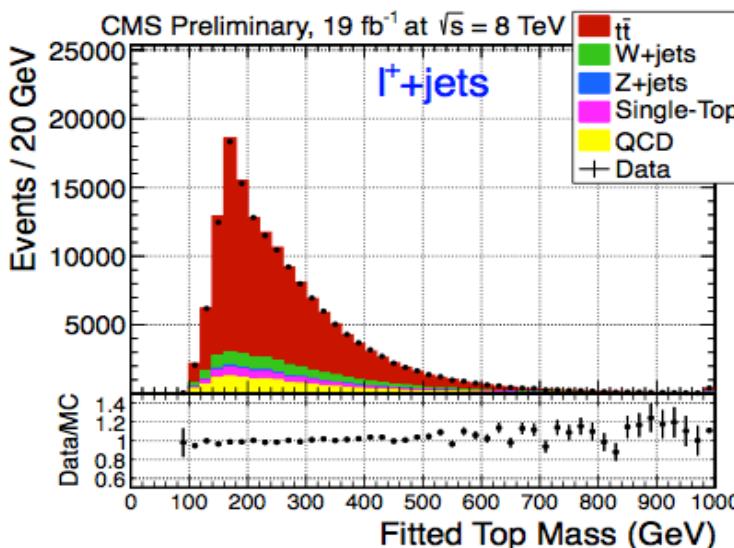
Results from LHC are rapidly improving (0.6%)



Top-antiTop mass difference

- Test of CPT invariance: particle and anti-particle have same mass
 - If masses are different → CPT violation
 - Top quark is unique because it decays before hadronizing
- use μ^+ +jet ttbar events: positive/negative muons (L=19/fb)
 - Compare mass measured from μ^+/μ^- +jets
 - Use hadronic side

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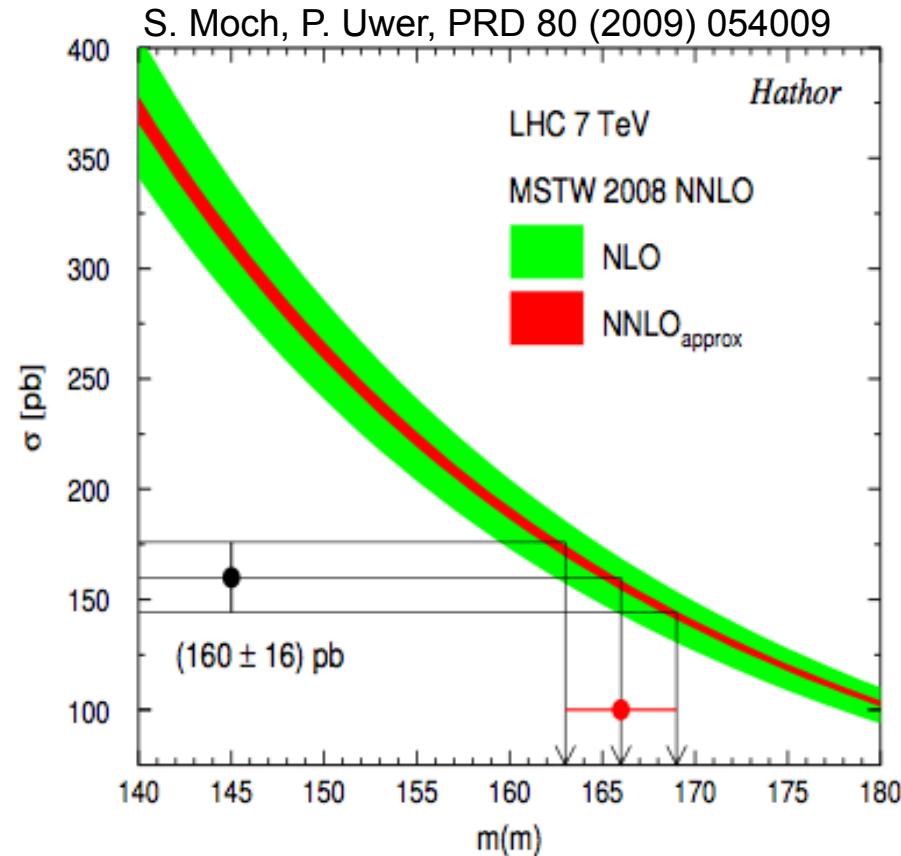
Dominant systematics:

- b vs bbar jet response
- signal fraction
- b vs bbar tagging

$$\Delta m_t = m_t^{had} - m_{\bar{t}}^{had} = -272 \pm 196 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 121 \text{ (syst.) MeV}$$

Top mass from cross section

- Direct m_{top} measurements rely on details of kinematics, reconstruction, calibration
- Experimental measurement has small uncertainty: $\sim 0.5\%$
- What mass is measured?
 - Could be interpreted as pole mass
- Compare theory prediction (measured) cross section vs pole mass ($=m_{top}$)
- Exploit relation of cross section and mass:
 - $\Delta\sigma/\sigma = -A \cdot \Delta m/m$ ($A=4-5$)



Top mass from cross section

- determine top quark pole mass using the experimental ttbar production cross section

- from lepton+jets channel (ATLAS) with 35/pb

$$m_{\text{top}}^{\text{pole}} = (166.4^{+7.8}_{-7.3}) \text{ GeV}$$

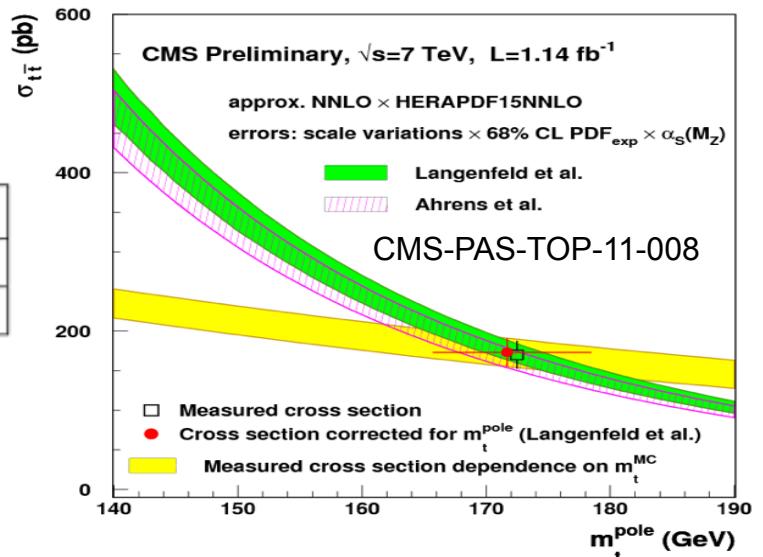
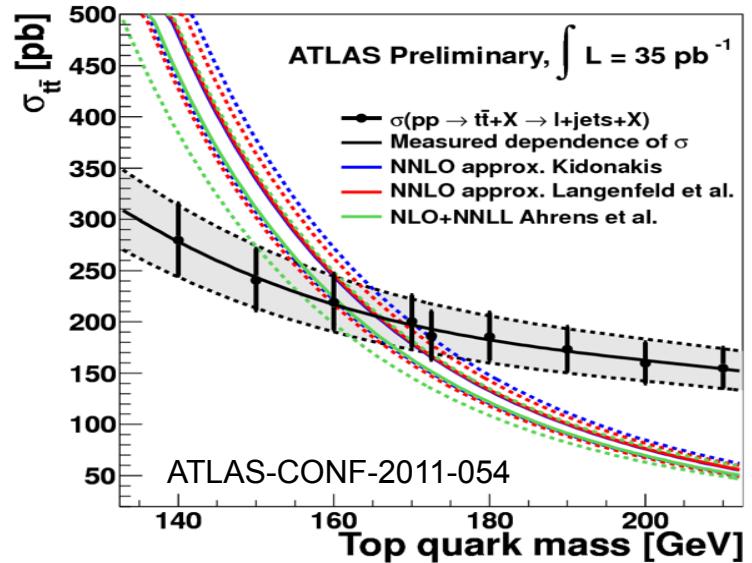
- from dilepton cross section (CMS) with 1.1/fb

$$m_t^{\text{pole}} = 170.3^{+7.3}_{-6.7} \text{ GeV}$$

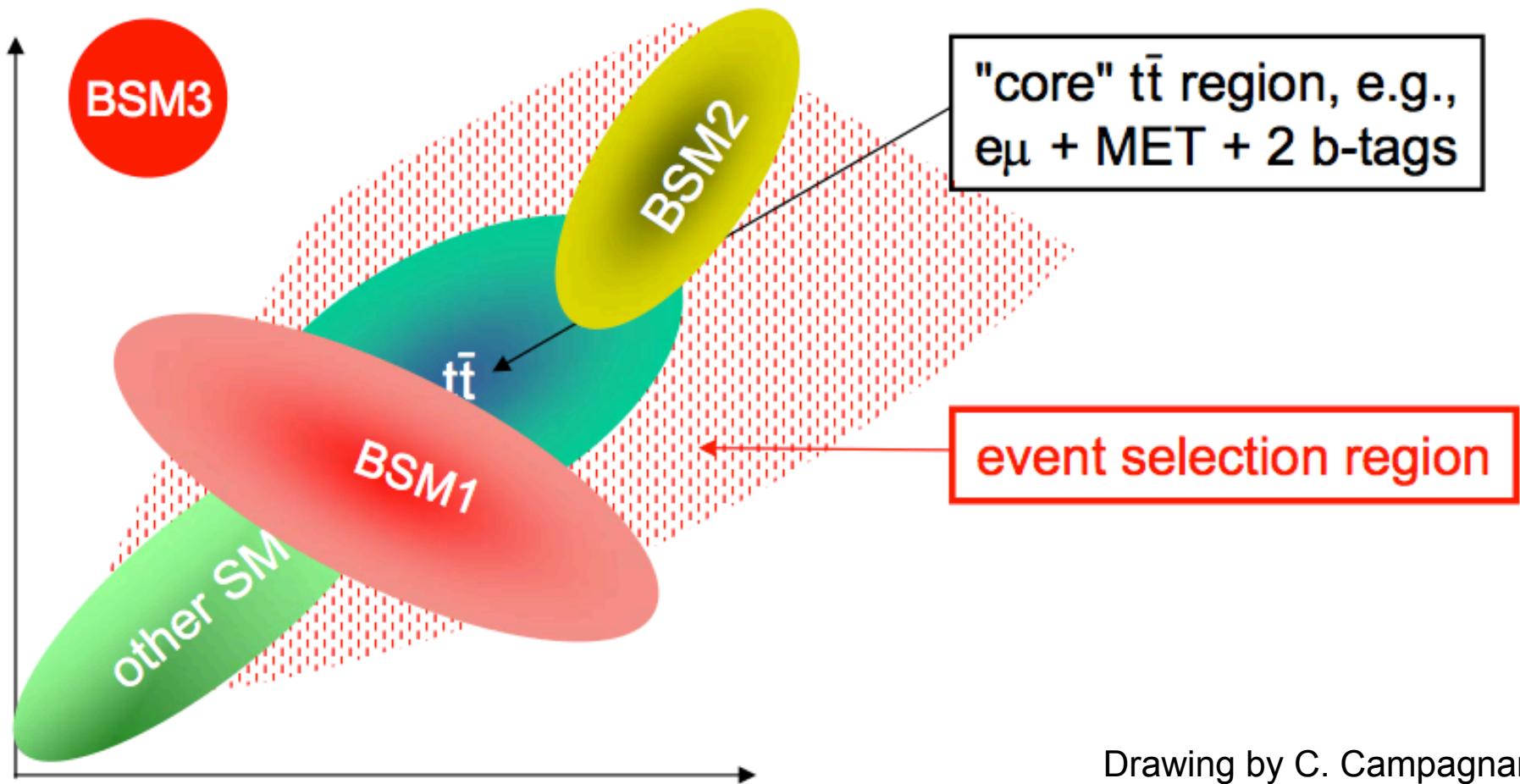
Also determine $m(\text{MSbar})$:

Approx. NNLO \times HERAPDF15NNLO	$m_t^{\text{pole}} / \text{GeV}$	$m_t^{\text{MS}} / \text{GeV}$
Langenfeld et al. [7]	$171.7^{+6.8}_{-6.0}$	$164.3^{+6.5}_{-5.7}$
Ahrens et al. [9]	$169.1^{+6.7}_{-5.9}$	$161.0^{+6.8}_{-6.1}$

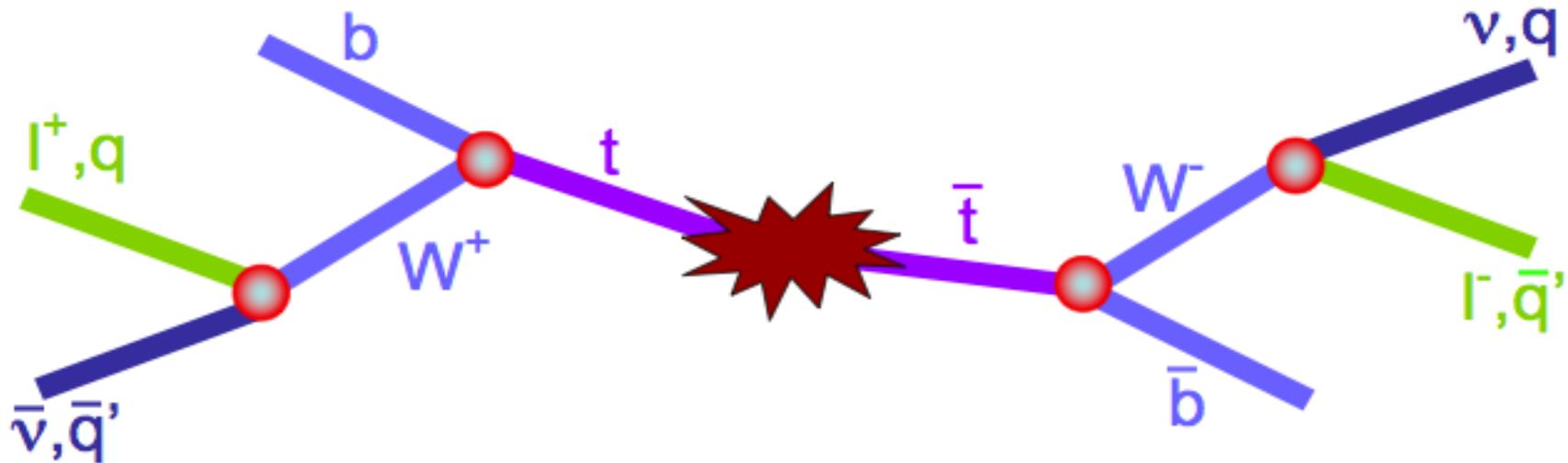
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Not just cross sections



Interesting physics with Top quark



PRODUCTION

Cross section
Resonances $X \rightarrow tt$
Fourth generation t'
Spin-correlations
New physics (SUSY)
Flavour physics (FCNC)

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PROPERTIES

Mass
Kinematics
Charge
Lifetime and width
W helicity
Spin
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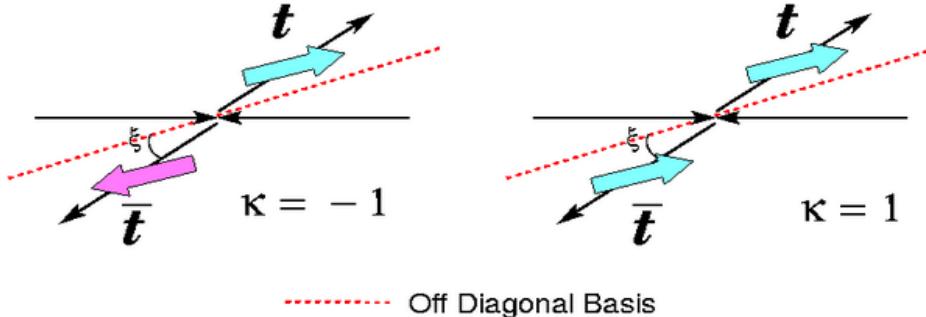
DECAY

Branching ratios
Charged Higgs (non-SM)
Anomalous couplings
Rare decays
CKM matrix elements
Calibration sample @LHC

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Spin correlation

- Important tool for precise studies of top quark interactions
- Top quark produced are not polarized
 - ...but spins between quark and anti-quark are correlated
- Top quark decays before spins decorrelate
 - Top quark decays before hadronization ($\tau \sim 10^{-25}$ sec) \Rightarrow spin information transmitted to the decay products (W boson, b quark)
- Spin correlation depends on the production mode



$$\kappa = \frac{n_{\pm\pm} - n_{\pm\mp}}{n_{\pm\pm} + n_{\pm\mp}}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{d \cos \theta_1 d \cos \theta_2} = \frac{1}{4} (1 + \kappa \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2)$$

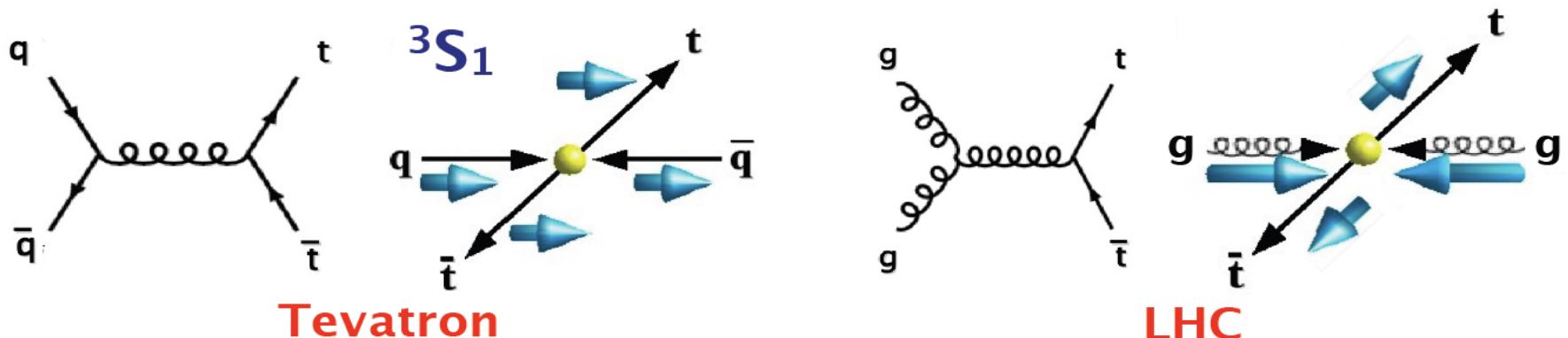
- Analyze spin using angular distributions of decay products
 - θ_1 and θ_2 are the angles of decay products wrt a “quantization axis”
 - value of κ depends on spin basis (for example, off-diagonal vs maximal)

Spin correlation

- Spin correlation may differ from that expected in the SM
 - top quark decays into a charged Higgs boson and a b quark ($t \rightarrow H^+ b$)
 - Other BSM scenarios

Spin correlation: Tevatron vs LHC

$$A = \frac{N_{\uparrow\uparrow} + N_{\downarrow\downarrow} - N_{\uparrow\downarrow} - N_{\downarrow\uparrow}}{N_{\uparrow\uparrow} + N_{\downarrow\downarrow} + N_{\uparrow\downarrow} + N_{\downarrow\uparrow}}$$



- dominated by $q\bar{q}$ annihilation
- $t\bar{t}$ pairs close to the threshold
- beam axis as spin quantisation axis
NLO QCD: $A = 0.78$
Bernreuther, Brandenburg, Si, Uwer, Nucl. Phys. B690, 81 (2004)
- optimised “off-diagonal” basis

- dominated by gg fusion
- $t\bar{t}$ pairs far off the threshold
- helicity basis as spin quantisation axis
NLO QCD: $A = 0.32$
- maximal basis

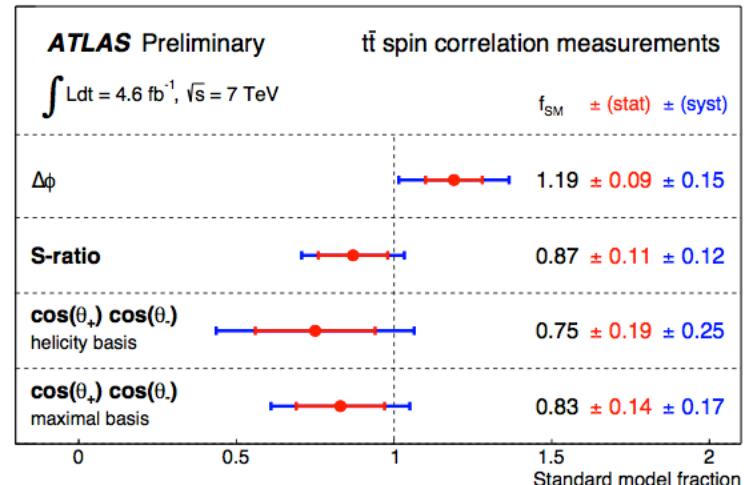
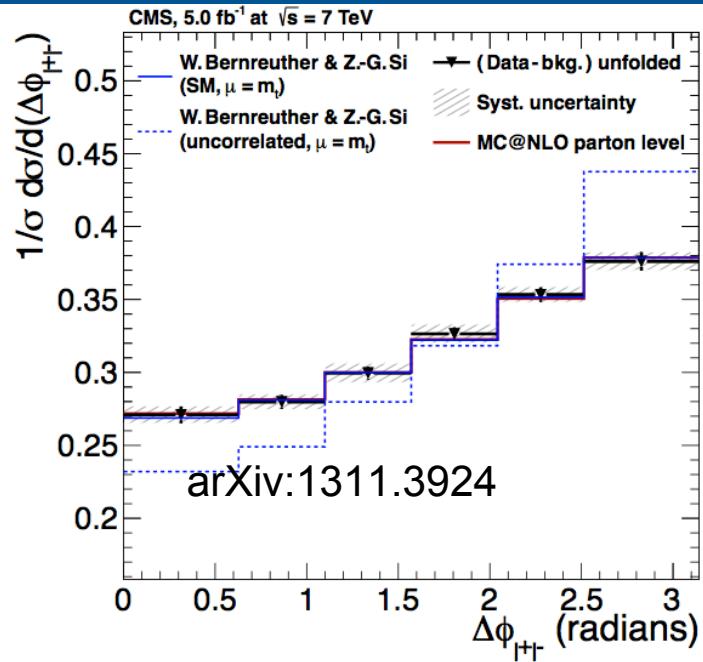
complementary between Tevatron and LHC

Spin correlation

- Access spin information via the angular distributions of its decay products
 - Most sensitive probes are leptons/d-type quarks
- Strategy: fit $\Delta\phi$ dilepton distribution
 - binned SM distribution and with uncorrelated spin distribution

$$A = \frac{N_{like} - N_{unlike}}{N_{like} + N_{unlike}}$$

- Translate result to maximal/helicity basis
- Main systematics: ISR/FSR and signal modelling
- Results in agreement with SM



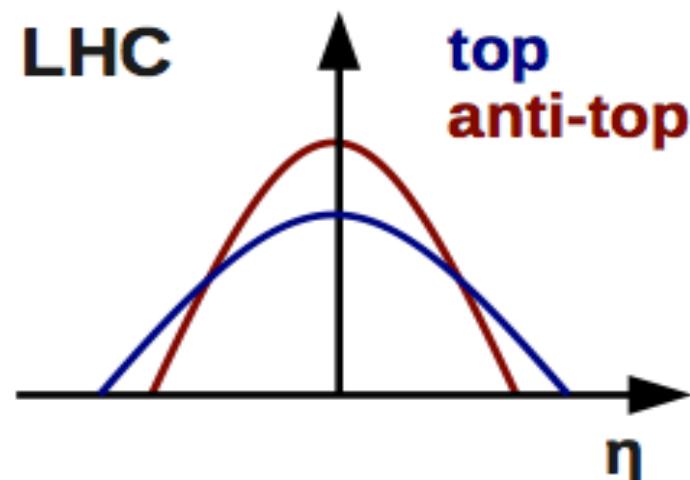
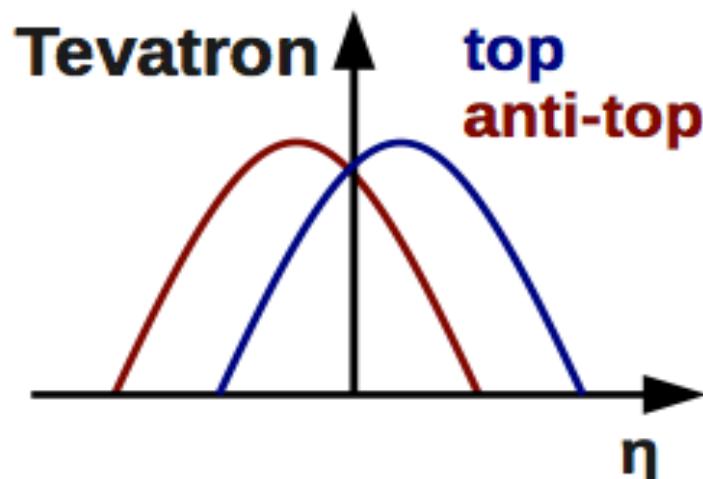
Charge asymmetry

- In $q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ (Tevatron): top quarks are emitted in the direction of the incoming quark, anti-top quarks in the direction of the incoming anti-quark
- No FB asymmetry in $gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ (LHC)

SM: Only small asymmetry due to ISR/FSR

New physics: production mechanisms with new exchange bosons could enhance the charge asymmetry

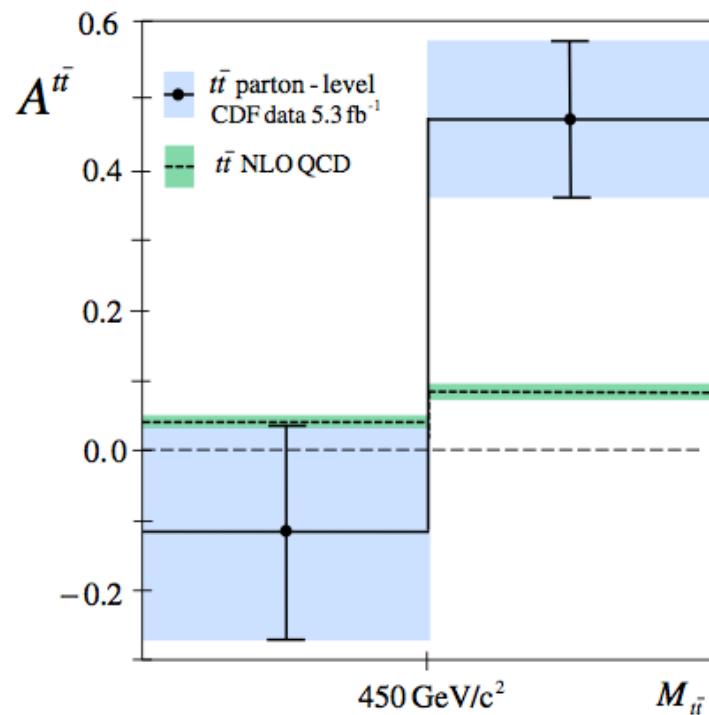
At LHC quarks have larger momentum than anti-quarks (larger average momentum fraction of quarks leads to an excess of top quarks produced in the forward directions)



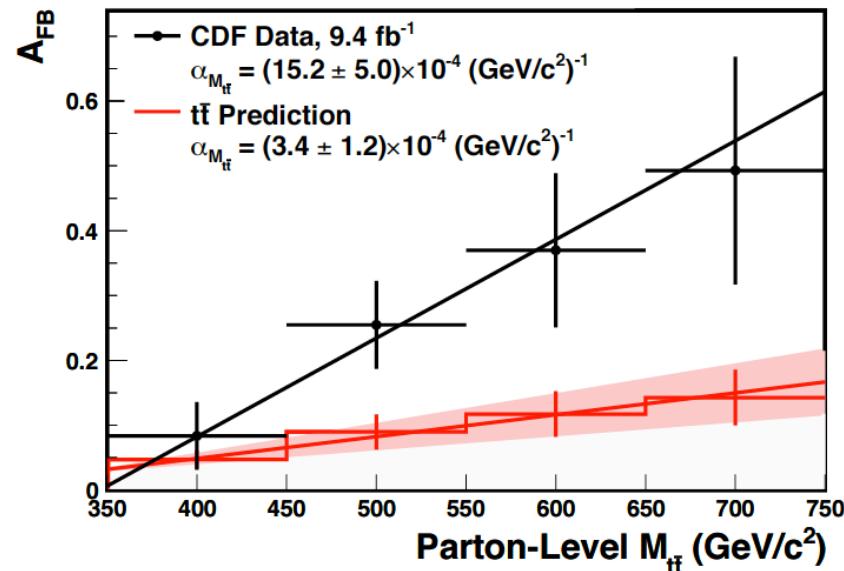
Asymmetry A_{FB} anomaly?

- Tevatron experiments observe a differential dependency on charge asymmetry
- Sign of new physics?

CDF: PRD 83(2011)112003
D0: PRL 100(2008)142002
CDF Note 10807



- At high mass, a 3σ discrepancy
- Study asymmetry vs mass of ttbar system

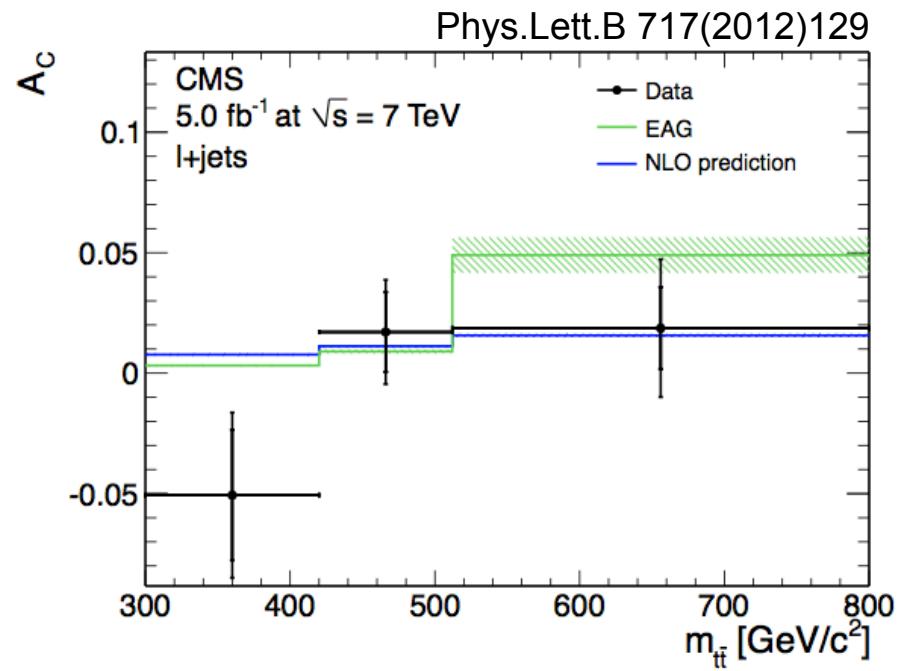
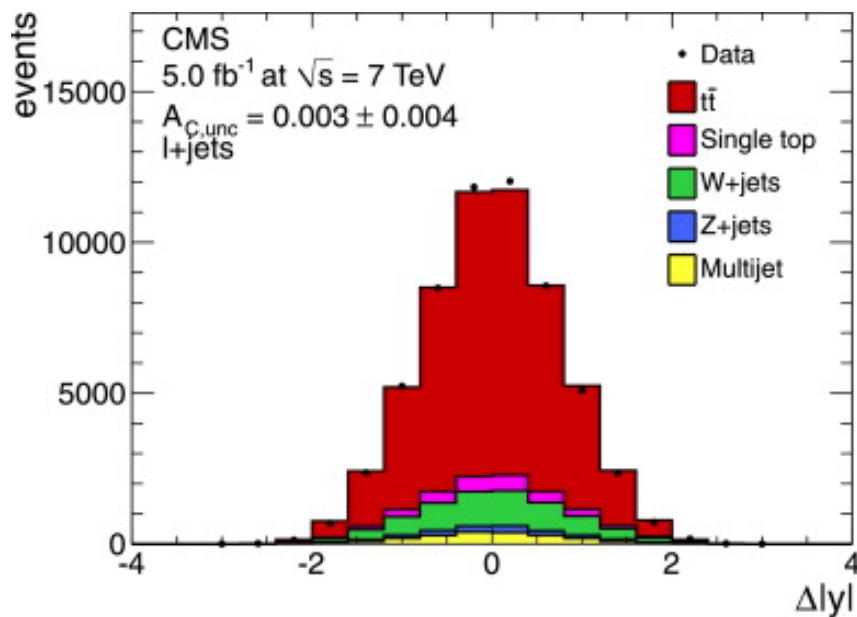


Charge asymmetry at LHC

$$A_C = \frac{N^+ - N^-}{N^+ + N^-}$$

$N^+(N^-)$: number of events with positive (negative) values in the sensitive variable

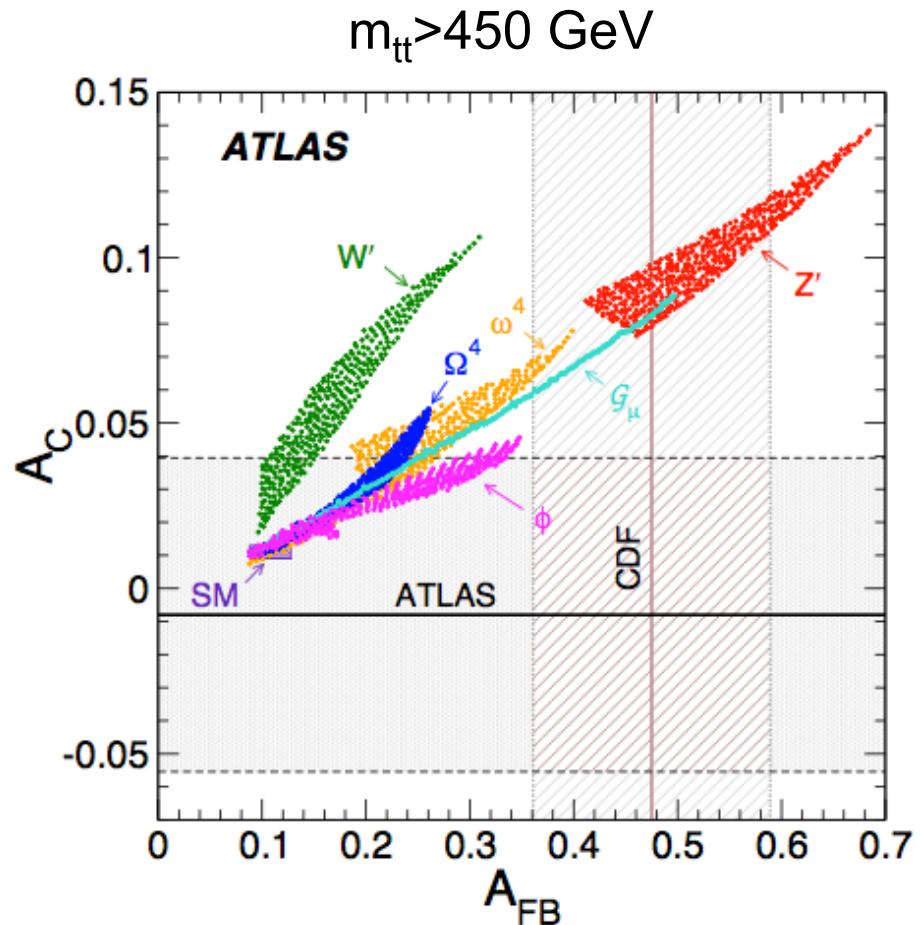
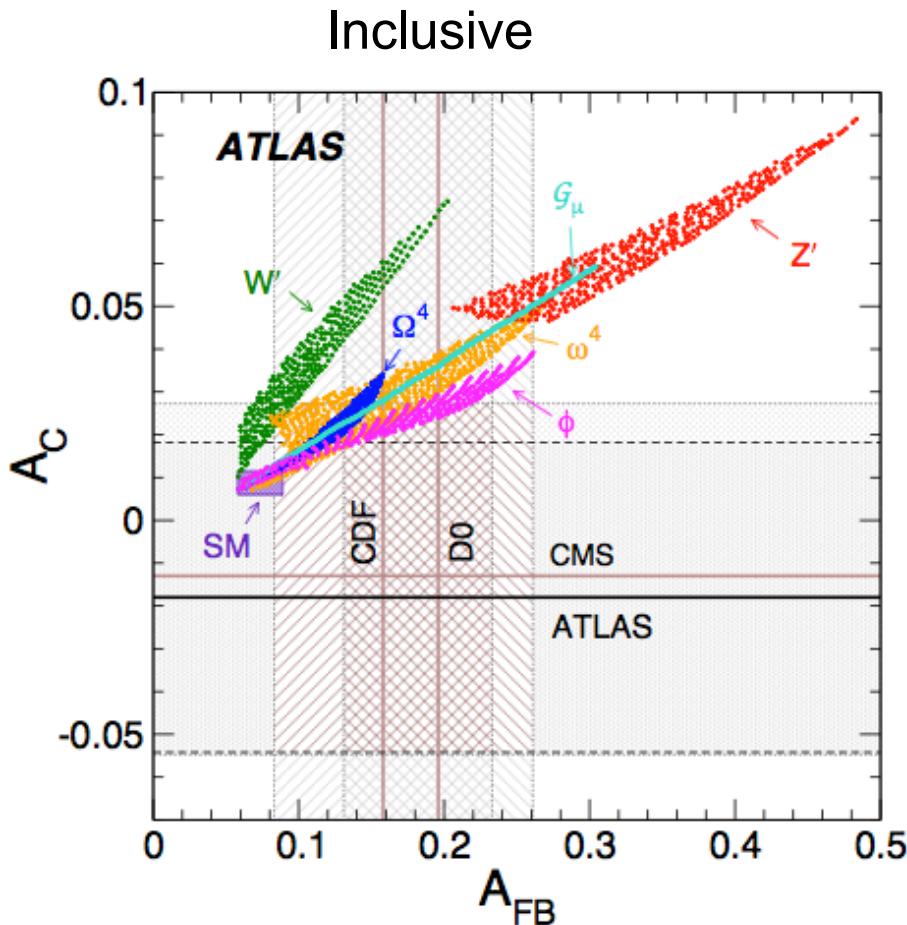
Anomalous axial-vector coupling of gluons to quarks could explain the Tevatron anomaly [PRD84:054017,2011]



⇒ Good agreement between data and SM expectations

Constraints on New Physics

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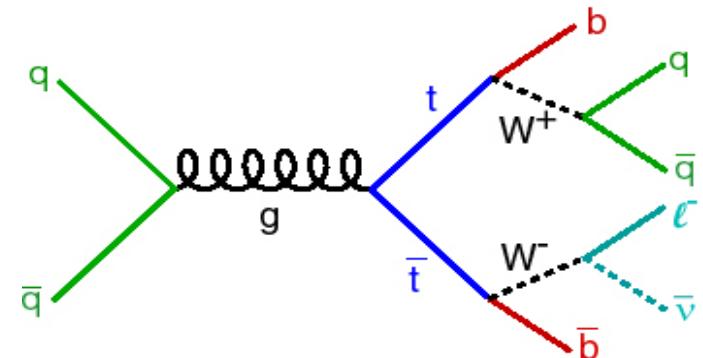
Heavy flavor content (i.e. V_{tb})

Top quark decays

top decay $t \rightarrow Wb$, but really 100%?

Indirect measurement using the CKM matrix:

- Elements $|V_{ub}|$ and $|V_{cb}|$ measured to be very small from decay of B mesons
- Unitarity and only three generations implies $|V_{tb}|$ is 0.998 @ 90% CL



With top quark samples we can measure it directly as “R”:

$$R \equiv \frac{BR(t \rightarrow Wb)}{BR(t \rightarrow Wq)} = \frac{|V_{tb}|^2}{|V_{td}|^2 + |V_{ts}|^2 + |V_{tb}|^2} \quad \text{where } q = \{d, s, b\}$$

Use the ability to identify jets with a distinguished secondary vertex: b-tagging

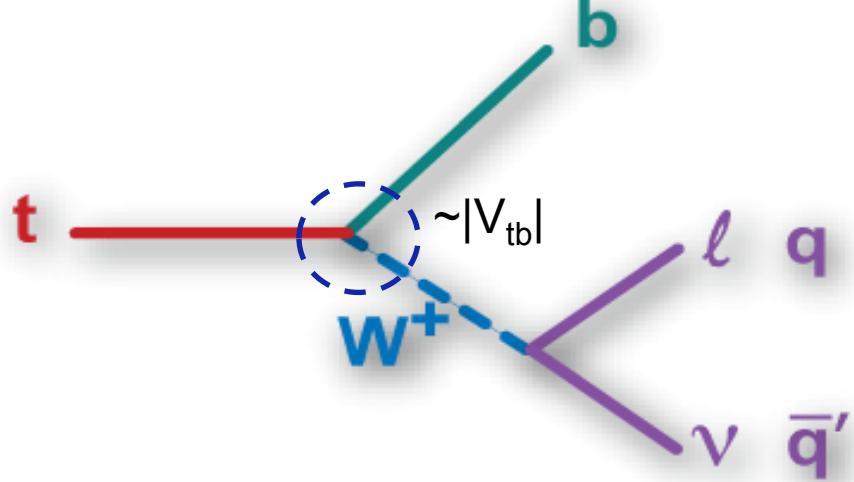
- The number of b-tagged jets depends strongly on R and b-tagging efficiency ϵ_b

We classify the ttbar sample based on the number of b-tagged jets

- The relative rates of events with 0/1/2 b-tags is very sensitive to R

Is $\text{BR}(t \rightarrow Wb) \sim 100\% ?$

- In the SM, $R = \frac{\text{BR}(t \rightarrow Wb)}{\text{BR}(t \rightarrow Wq)} \approx |V_{tb}|^2$ (q=b,s,d) $0.9980 < R < 0.9984$
- measure R by comparing the number of ttbar events with 0, 1 and 2 b-tags
- SM: R=1 constrained by CKM unitarity. R<1 could indicate new physics (e.g. 4th generation hep-ph-0607115)



Measure R simultaneously with ttbar cross section:

$\sigma_{p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t}} (\text{pb})$	7.4 ± 1.1
R	0.91 ± 0.09
$ V_{tb} $	0.95 ± 0.05

CDF prelim. 7.5 fb^{-1}
lepton+jets channel

$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 7.74^{+0.67}_{-0.57} \text{ pb}$
 $R = 0.90 \pm 0.04 \text{ (stat+syst)}$
 $|V_{tb}| = 0.95 \pm 0.02 \text{ (stat+syst)}$
 $|V_{tb}| > 0.88 \text{ @99.7\% C.L.}$

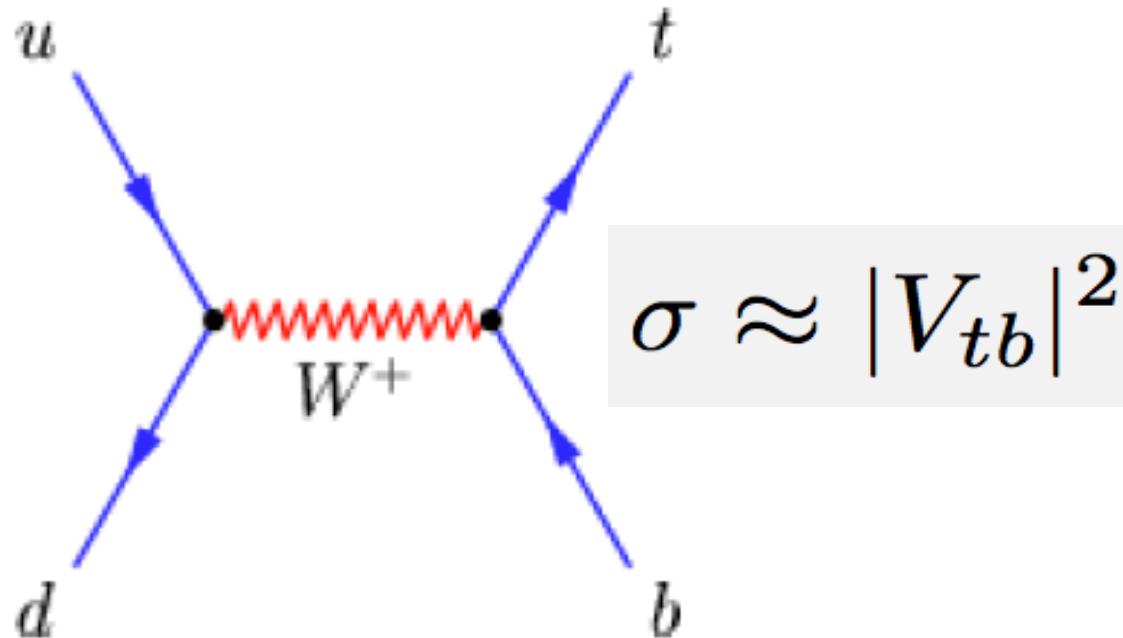
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l+jets & dilepton

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Not yet sensitive to SM

Measure of V_{tb}

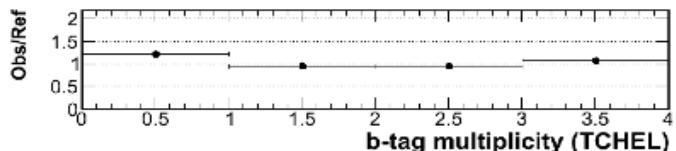
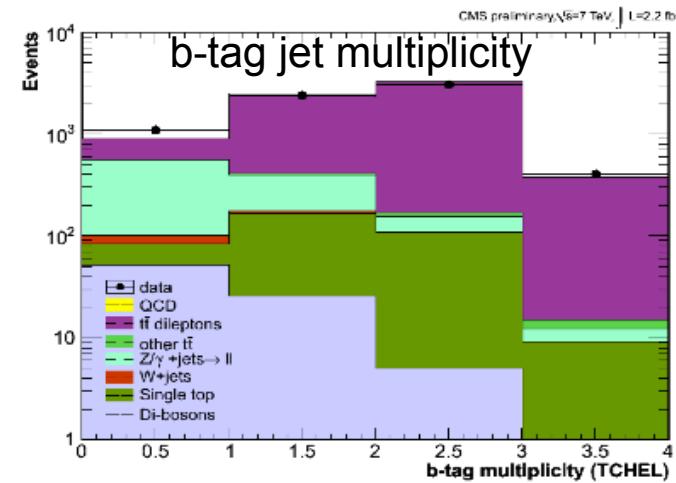
- Measurement with the **single top** production final state
- direct measure of $|V_{tb}|$
- sensitive to non-SM phenomena (W' , FCNC)



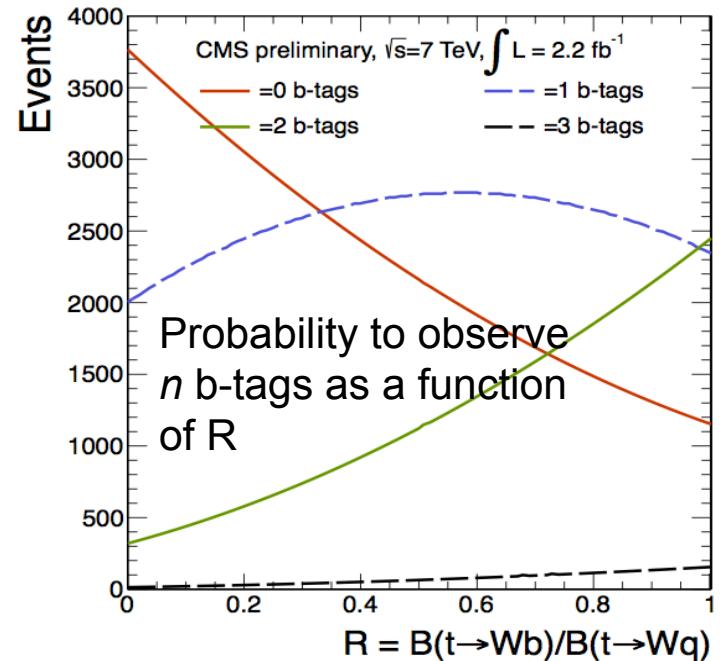
Measure R in dilepton channel

- Probe heavy flavor content of ttbar events
- Use ttbar dilepton final state
- Advantages:
 - less background
- Disadvantages:
 - lower statistics
 - jet assignment

$$R = \frac{BR(t \rightarrow Wb)}{BR(t \rightarrow Wq)}$$



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- Selection:
 - 2 leptons+ ≥ 2 jets + MET
 - no b-tagging in preselection
 - Clean signature
 - Goals:
 - measure $\epsilon(b)$ and R

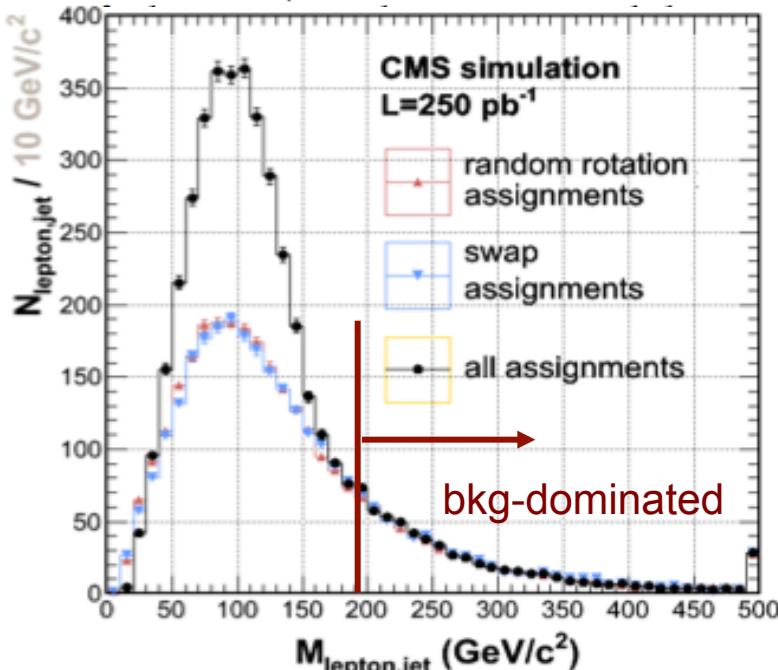


How to model the background

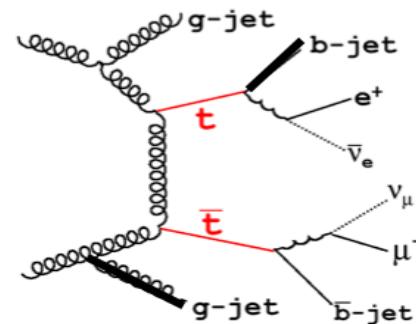
Events are classified in 3 cases (weight α):

- 1) 2 correctly assigned b-jet
- 2) 1 corr. ass. b-jet
- 3) 0 corr. ass. b-jet

$$M_{l,j} \approx \sqrt{m_t^2 - m_W^2} = 156 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$



1 reconstructed
b-jet (α_1)



Compute invariant mass of all lepton-jet pairs

Model background using:

- jets from different events
- rotate lepton direction

Background dominates at $M > M_{\text{cut}}$

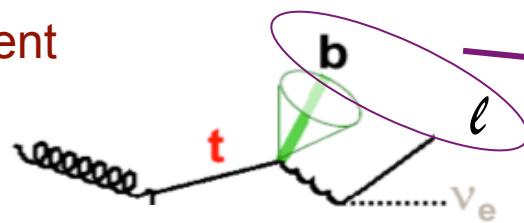
Signal or background?

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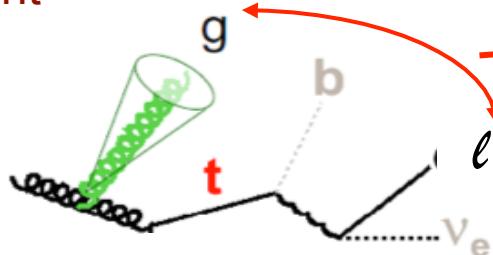
Data-driven determination of background

- Reconstruct lepton-jet invariant mass

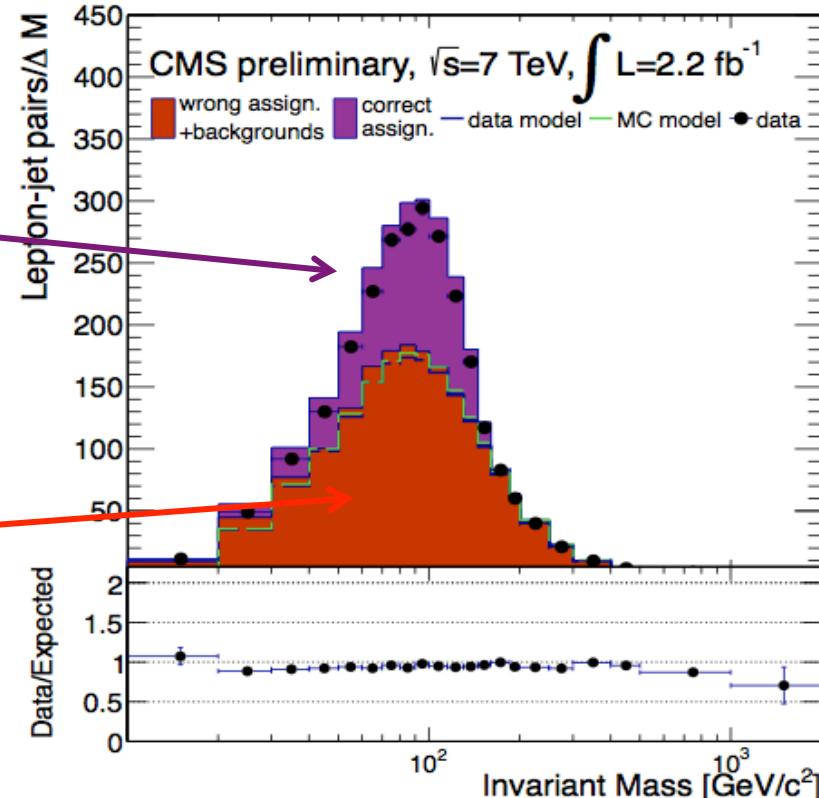
– Correct assignment



– Wrong assignment

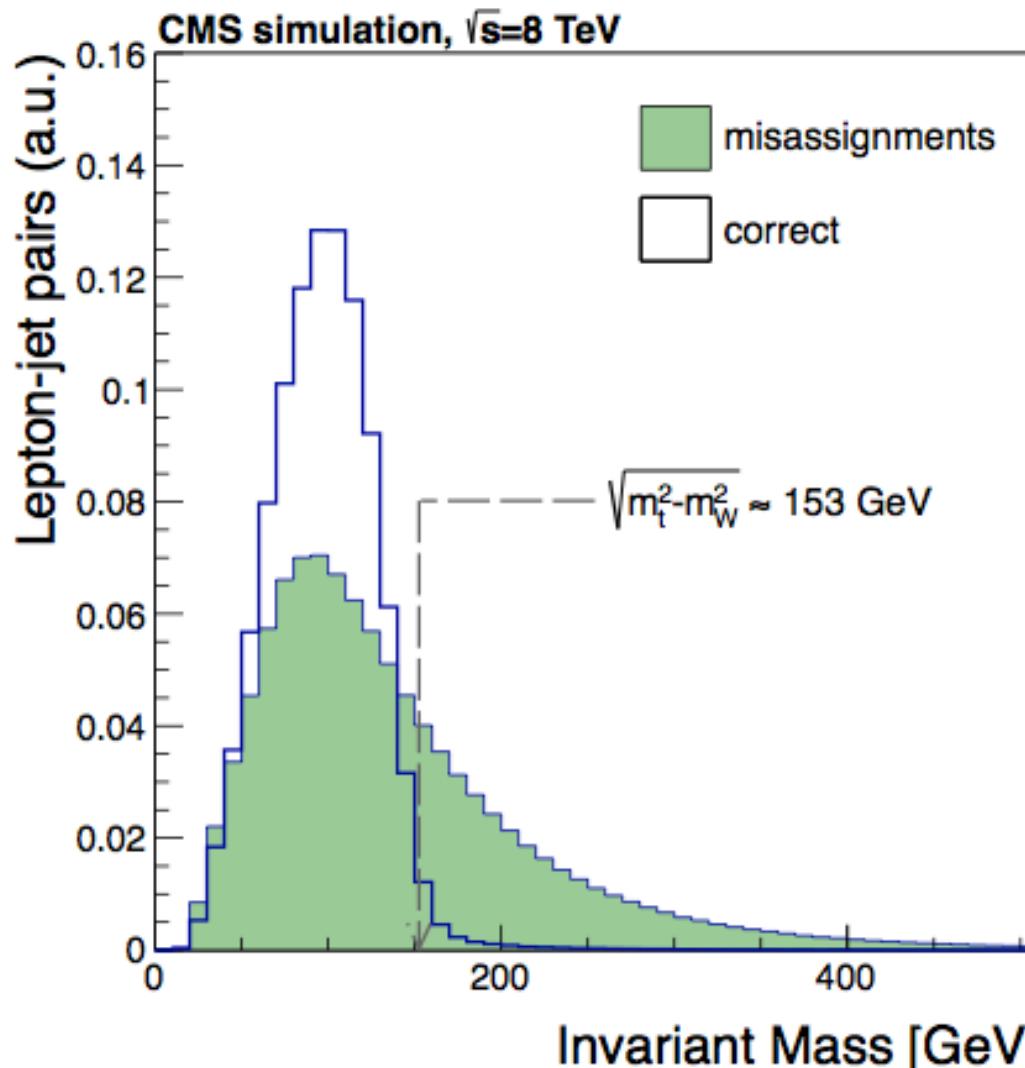


- Use tail to model background in signal region



Signal vs background

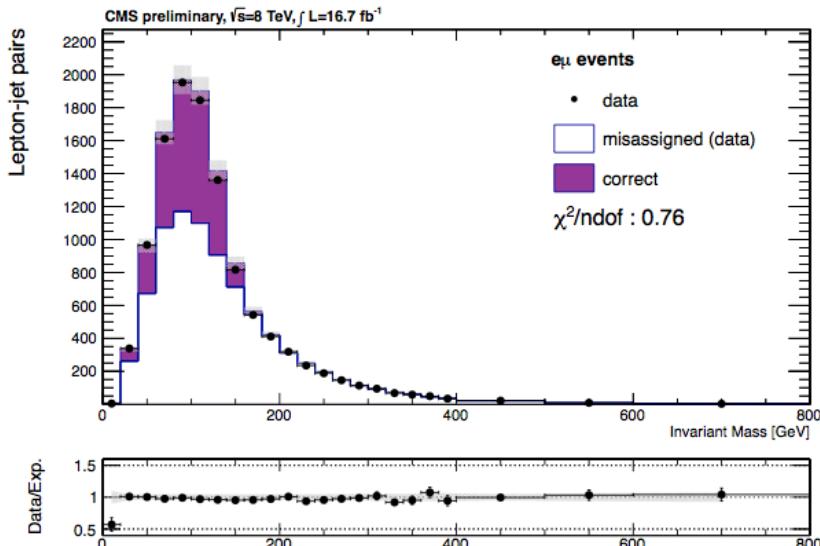
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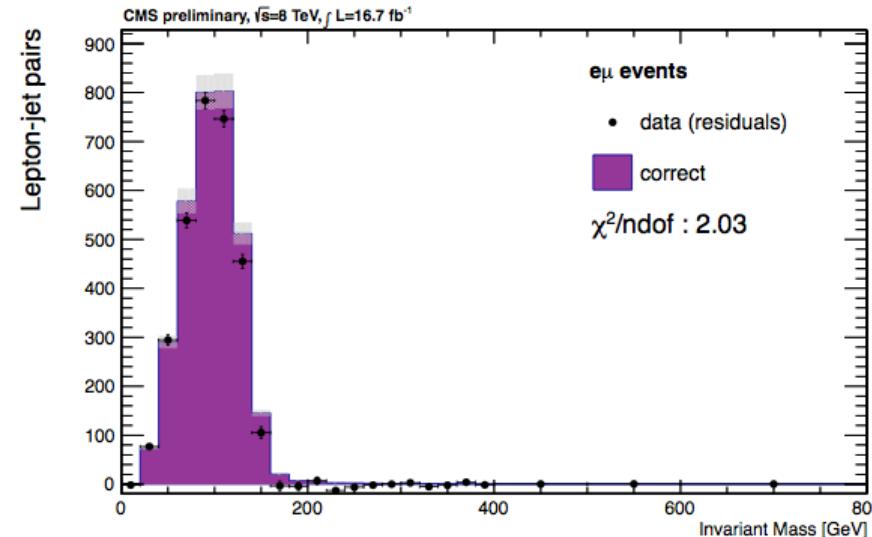
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Scale shape to match spectrum observed with $M_{lj} > 180$ GeV



after background subtraction



Heavy flavor content

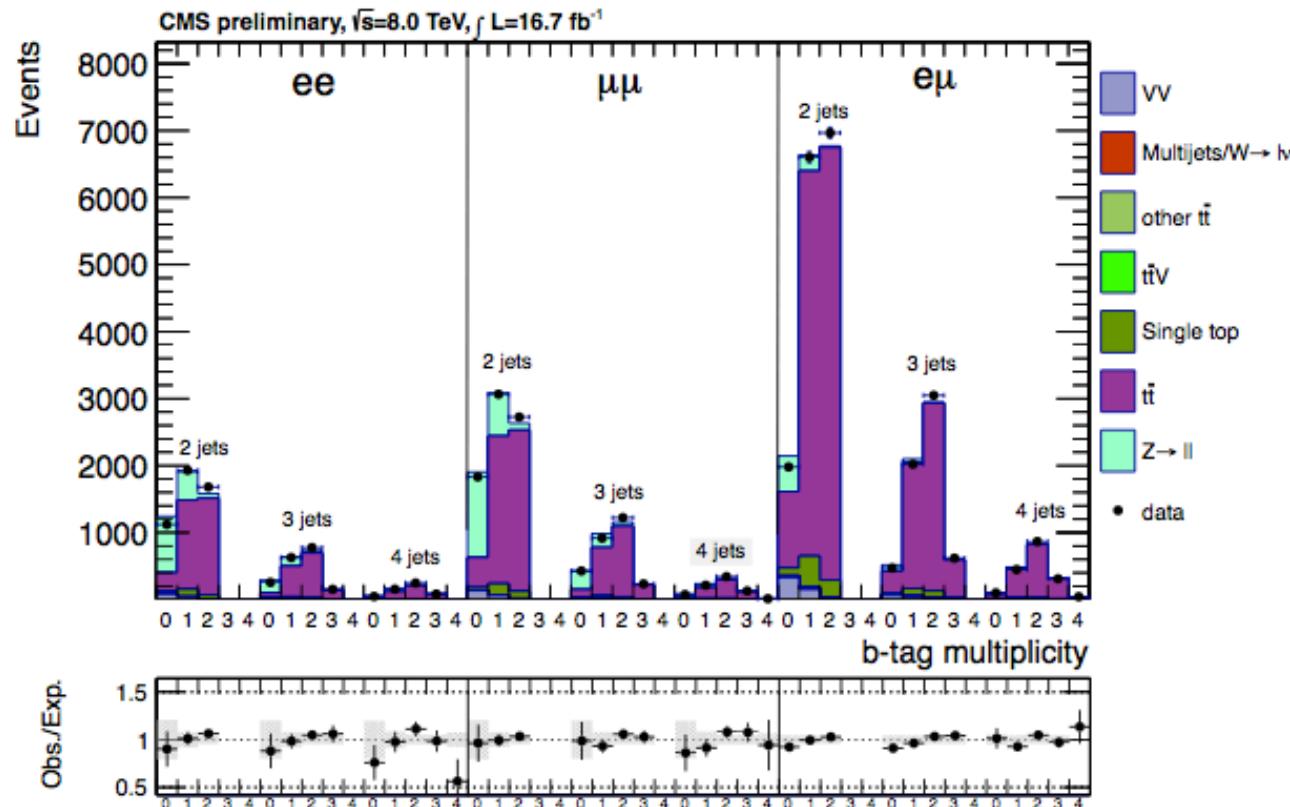
- Fully data-driven measurement

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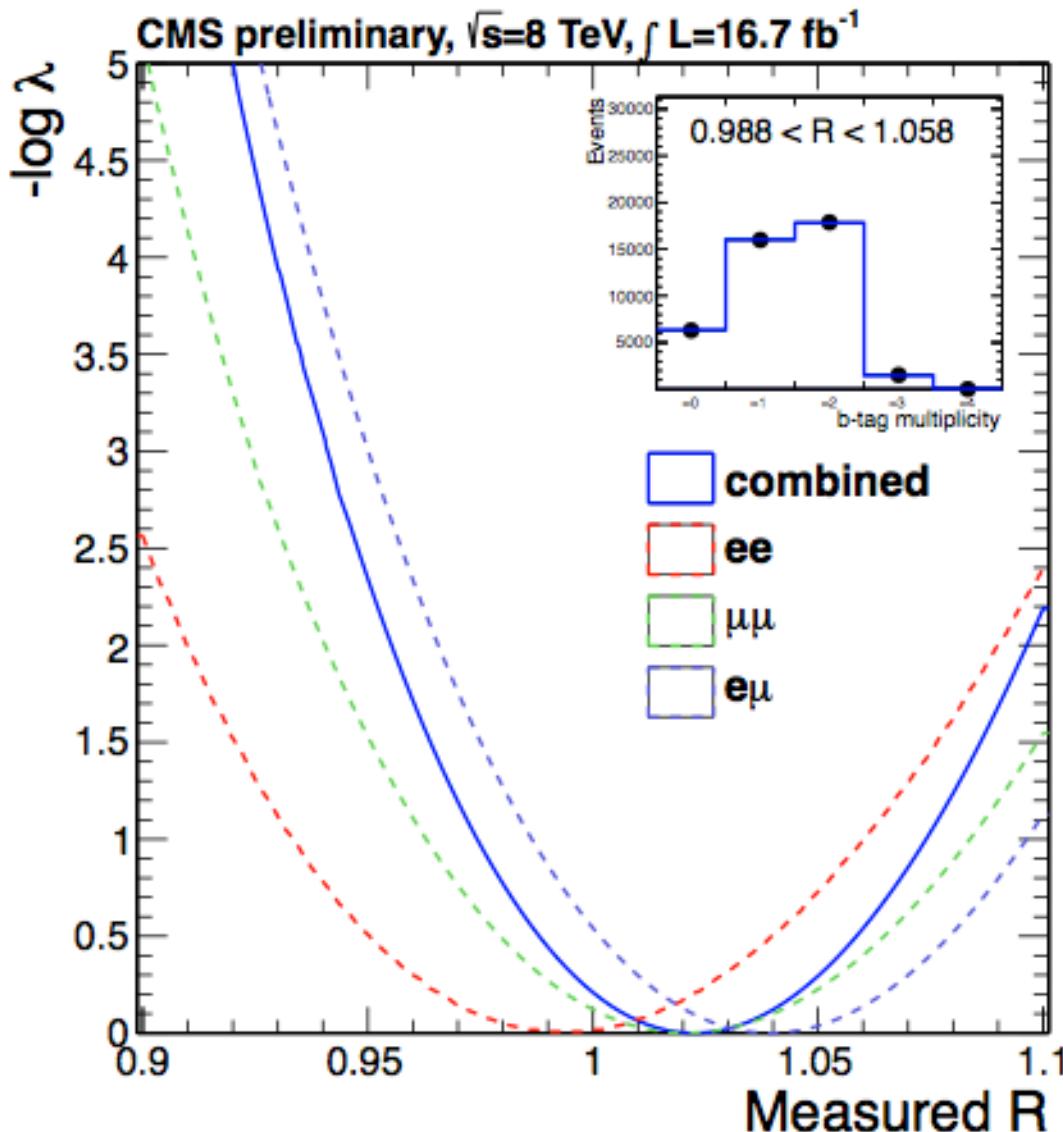
- b-tagging multiplicity parametrized as function of $R \varepsilon_b, \varepsilon_q$, top contribution
- Number of reconstructed $t \rightarrow Wq$ is estimated from lepton-jet invariant mass

- $R=1.02\pm0.04$ (stat. \oplus syst.)

- Lower boundary with confidence interval @95%CL after requiring $R \leq 1 \Rightarrow R > 0.945$ @95%CL



Measure R

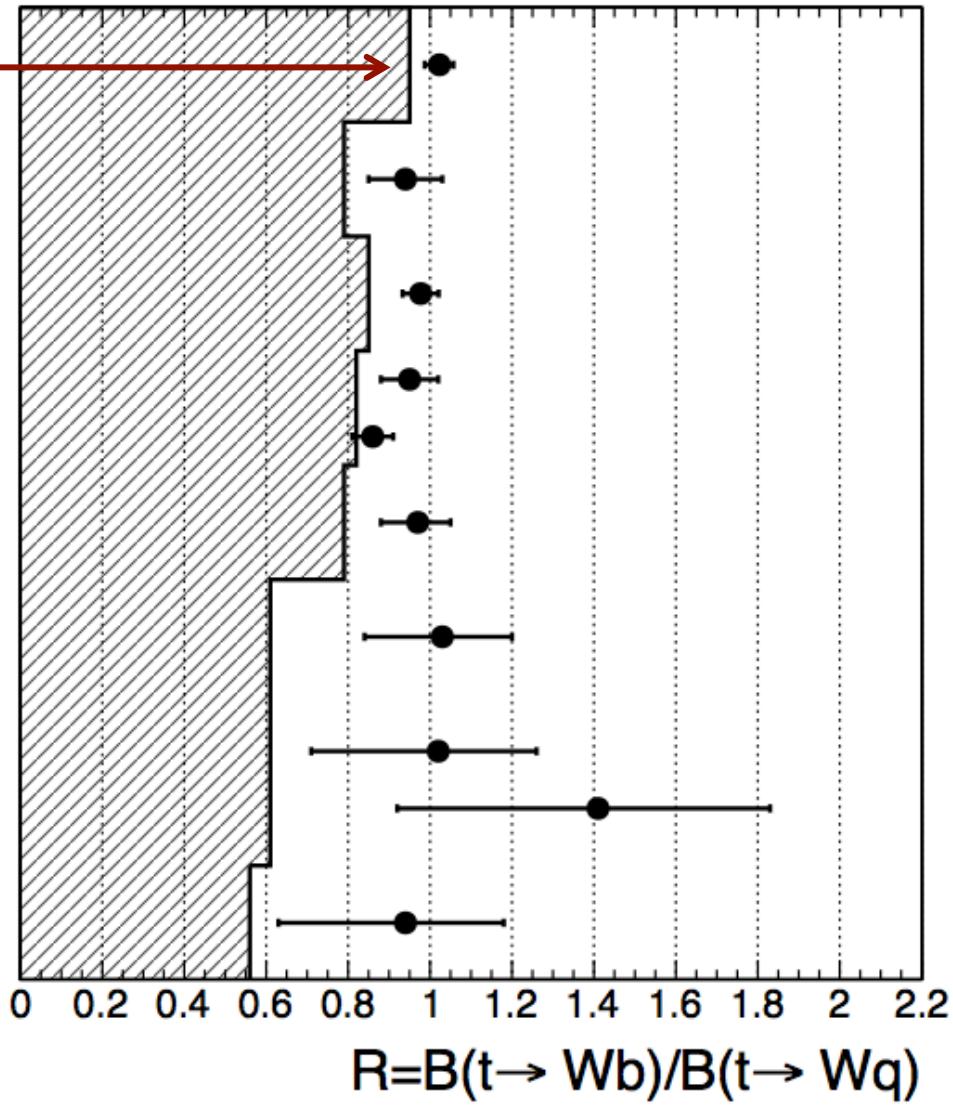


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- Variation of the likelihood used to measure R from data
- Fit different categories

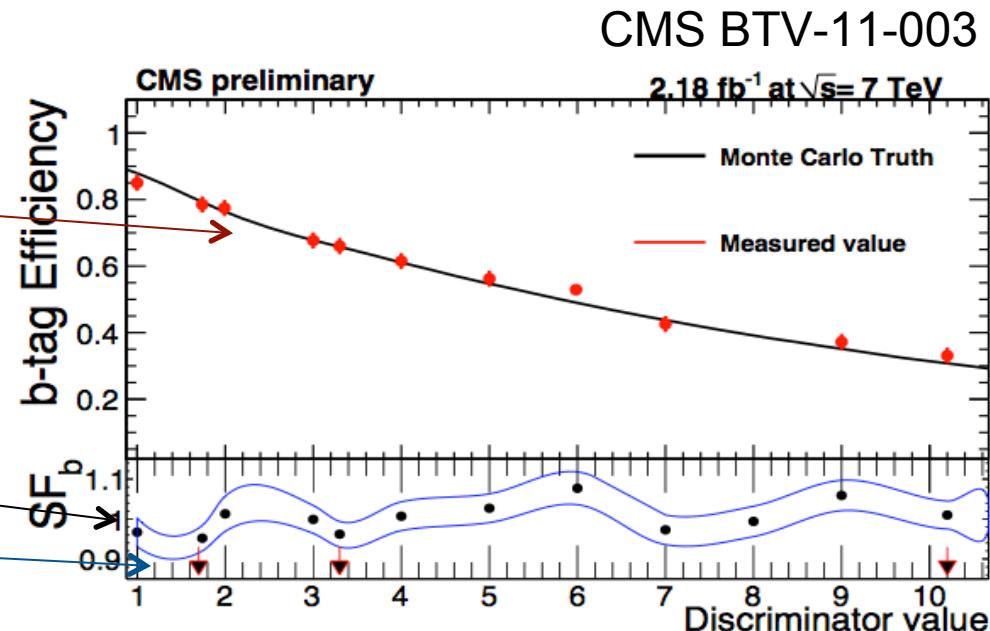
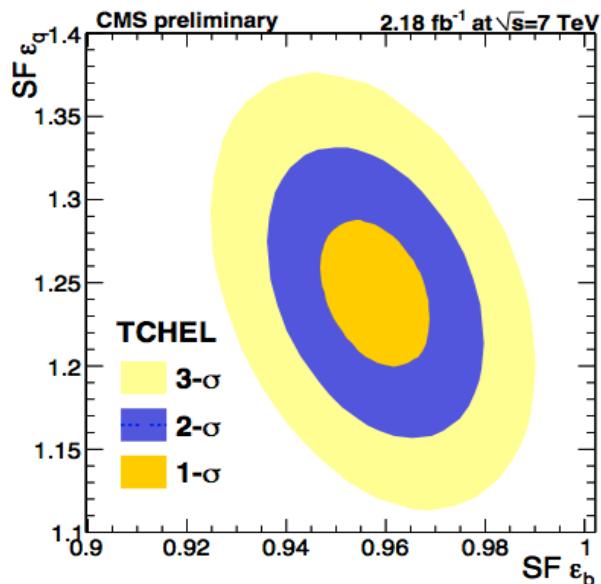
Summary of R results

Most accurate measurement



b-tagging efficiency

- Can determine b-tag efficiency and/or R
- b-tagging efficiency measured
 - (assume R=1)
- absolute *b*-tagging efficiency measured from data and predicted from simulation
- Ratio of data/simulation
- Total (stat.+syst.) uncertainties



Results of the fit to the b-tagging multiplicity

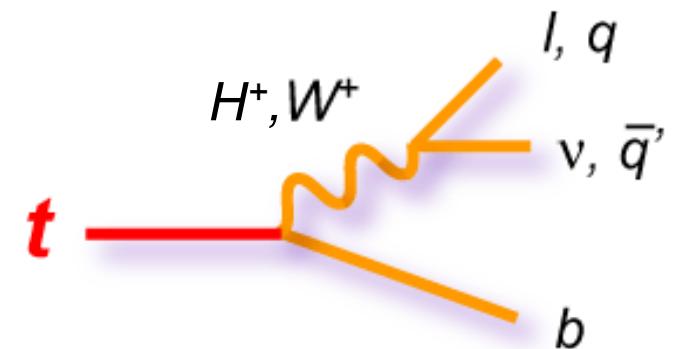
Top quark decays and taus

Probing the Wtb vertex

- Measurement of ttbar cross section with tau leptons in final state is important:
 - channel not well explored
 - Cross-check to other channels
 - increase acceptance of ttbar events
 - involves only 3rd generation leptons/quarks
 - probe non-standard physics ($t \rightarrow H^\pm b, \dots$)

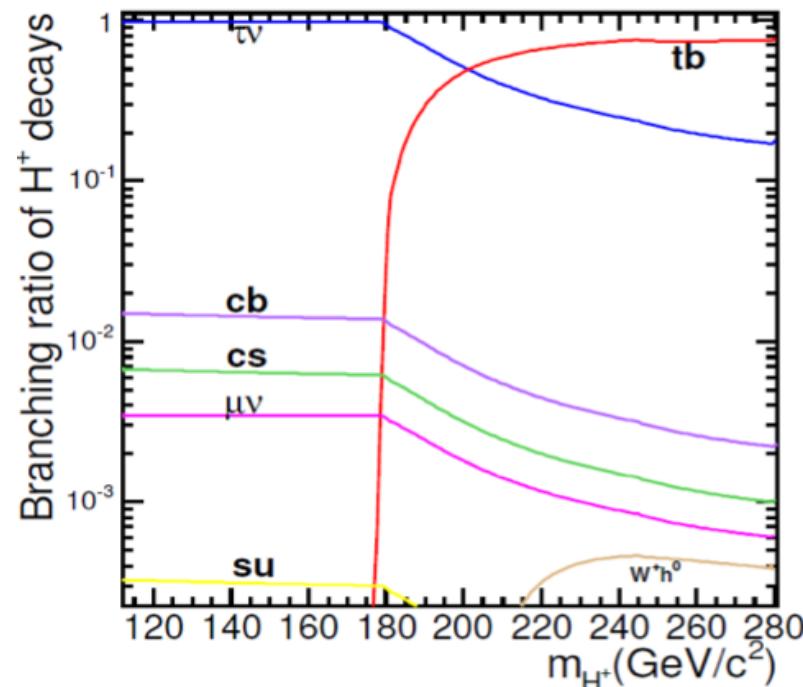
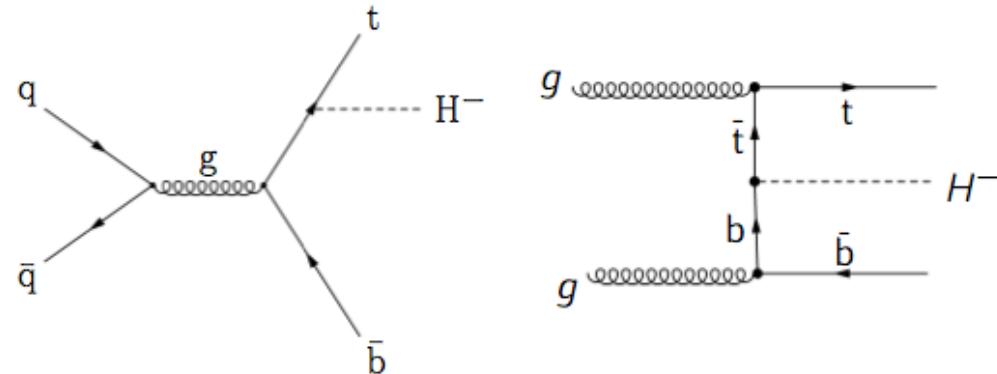
Channel	Signature	BR
Dilepton(e/ μ)	e $e, \mu\mu, e\mu + 2b$ -jets	4/81
Single lepton	e, $\mu + \text{jets} + 2b-jets$	24/81
All-hadronic	jets + 2b-jets	36/81
Tau dilepton	e $\tau, \mu\tau + 2b$ -jets	4/81
Tau+jets	$\tau + \text{jets} + 2b-jets$	12/81

- If top quark plays special role in EWK symmetry breaking, couplings to W may change
- Charged Higgs may alter coupling to W
- Search for final states with taus



Charged Higgs

- Study non-SM Higgs in two mass regimes:
- $m_H < m_{top}$
 - Mostly produced in top quark decays
 - Large $\tan\beta$: $H^\pm \rightarrow \tau^\pm \nu$
 - Small $\tan\beta$ (< 1): $H^\pm \rightarrow cs$
- $m_H > m_{top}$
 - Produced in gluon-gluon fusion
 - Main decays: $H^+ \rightarrow tb$, $H^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu$
- Main backgrounds: ttbar, W+jets



Charged Higgs

- Tau dilepton channel is of particular interest as existence of charged Higgs can give rise to **anomalous** tau lepton production

If top decays: $t \rightarrow H^+ b$ ($m_H < m_t - m_b$)



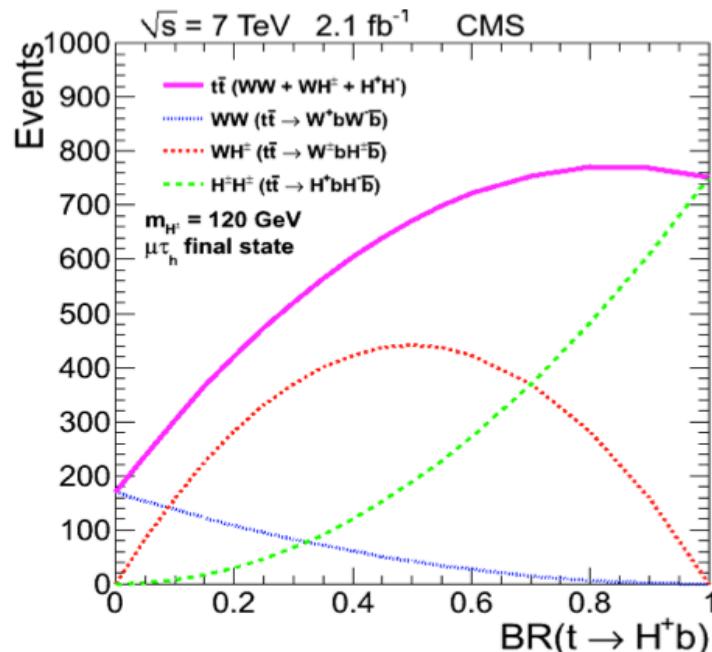
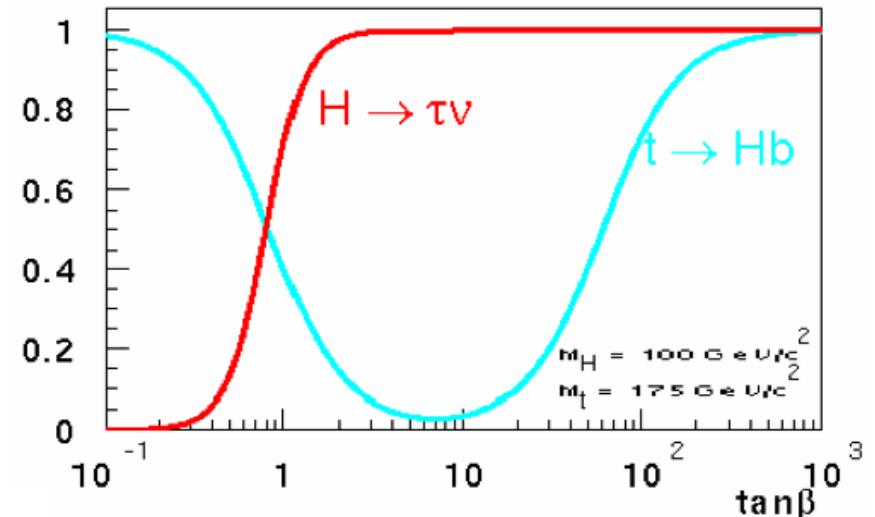
⇒ directly observable in this channel

Charged Higgs

- $\text{BR}(t \rightarrow H^+ b)$ could be large
- $H^+ \rightarrow t^+ \nu_T$ enhanced if $\tan\beta$ large

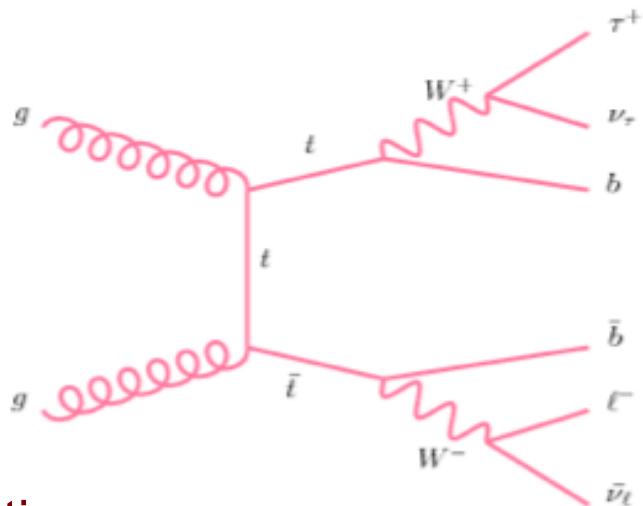
⇒ observe more taus

($\tan\beta$: ratio of vacuum expectation values)

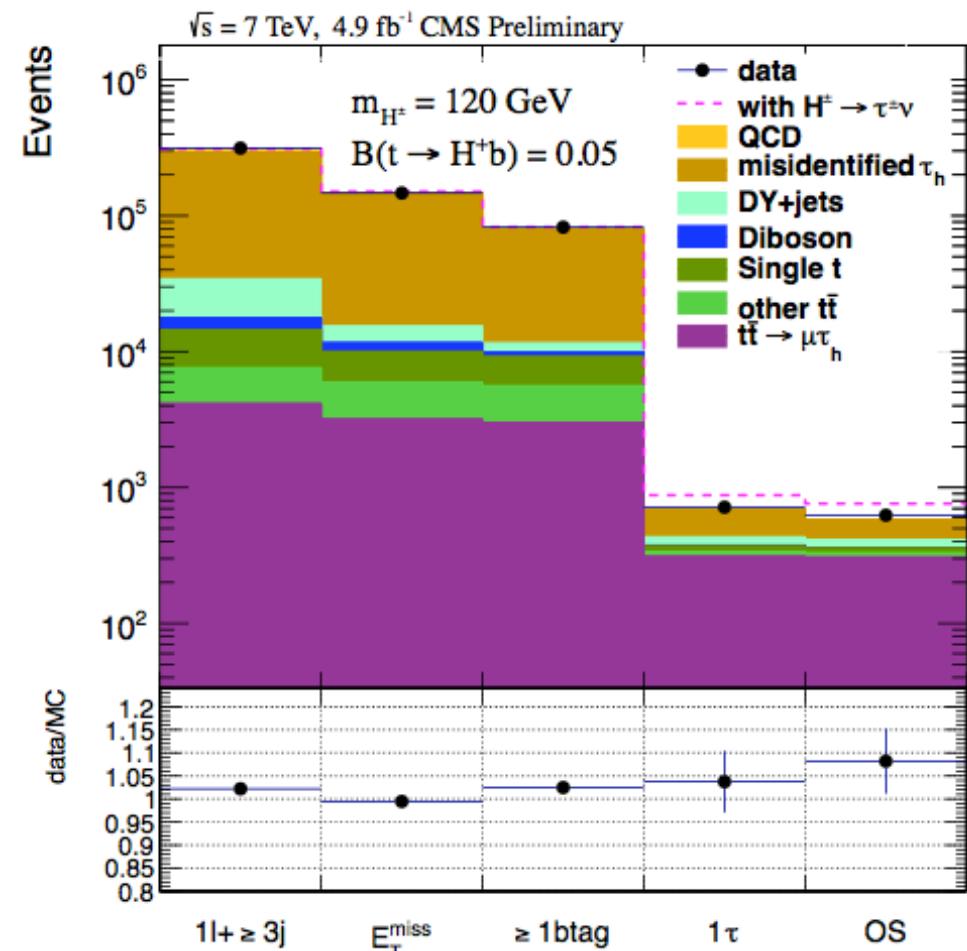


⇒ number of tau dilepton events can be large

Taus in top quark decays

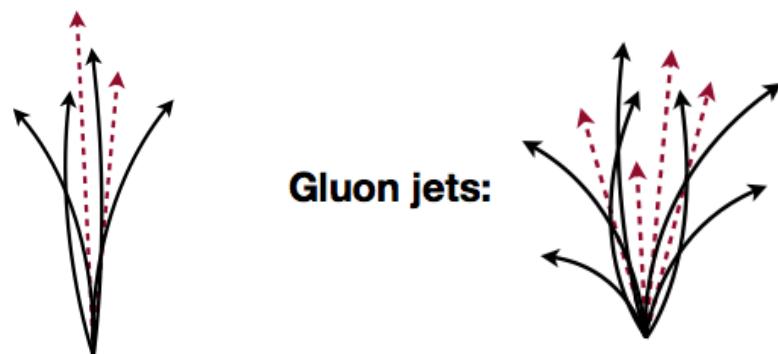


- Selection:
 - one isolated lepton (e/μ)
 - OS tau
 - at least two jets (one b-tagged)
 - $\text{MET}>30$ (45) GeV
- Determine τ fakes from data
 - Expected to be dominated by quark/gluon jets
 - Conservative approach: average $W+\text{jets}$ and QCD



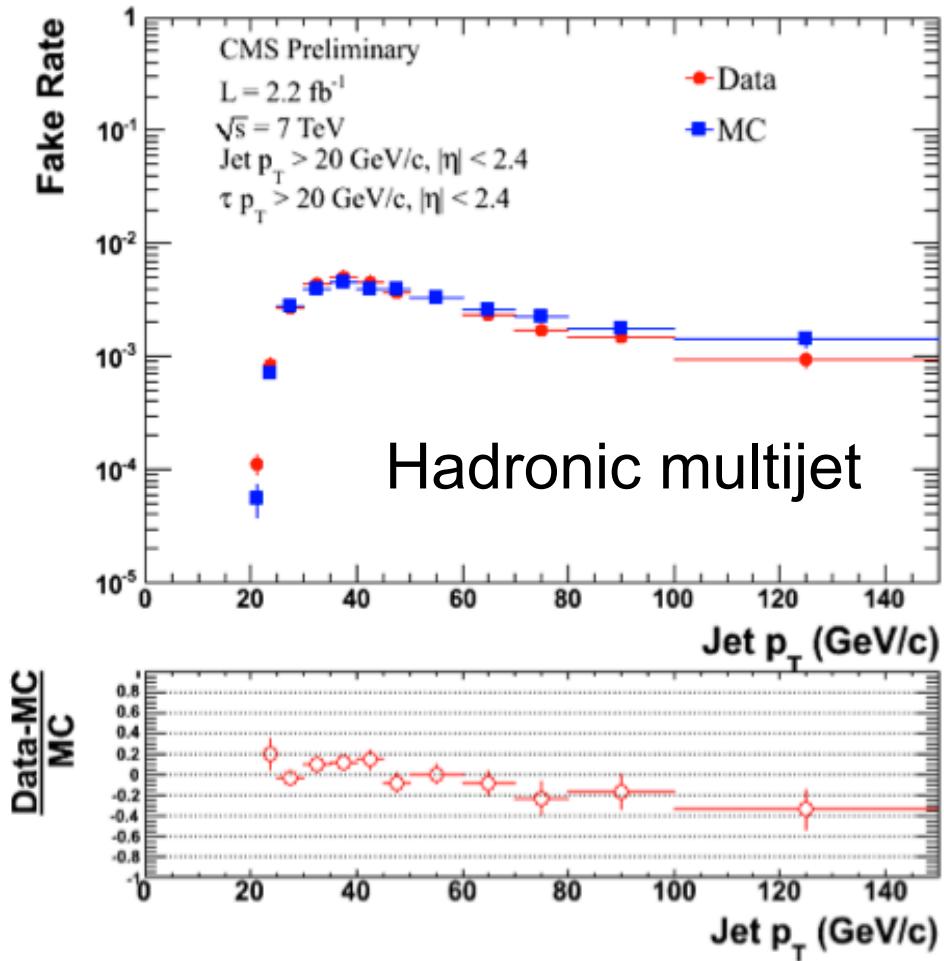
Tau fake rate

- Main background from “fake” tau jets
- Background estimated from data:
 - Select “W+ ≥ 3 jets (1 lepton+MET+ ≥ 3 jets)
 - Apply to every jet the “jet \rightarrow tau probability”
 - tau fake probability evaluated from data
 - Function of p_T , η , jet width
- Good agreement with expectations



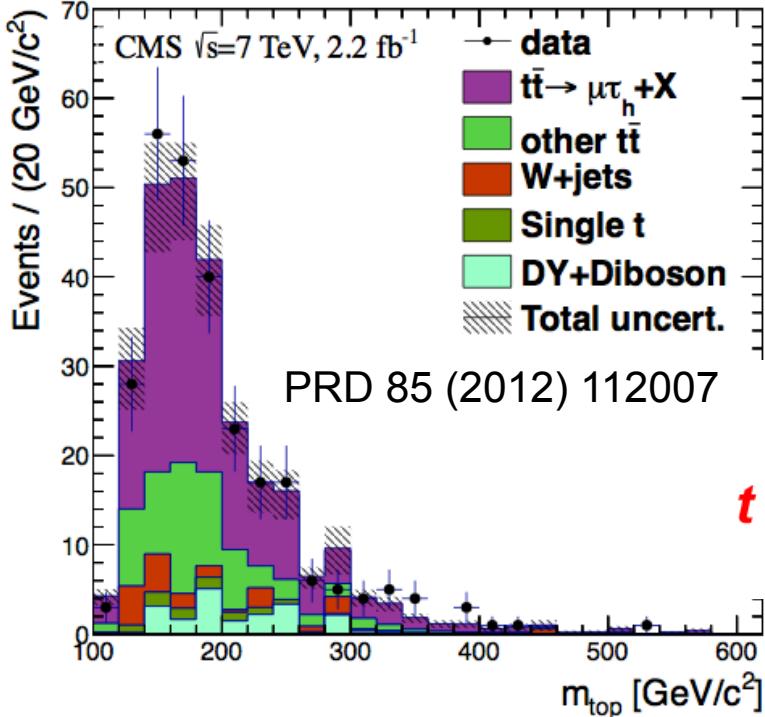
Quark vs gluon jets:

- Different coupling to strong field
- Gluon jets have higher multiplicities and softer constituents

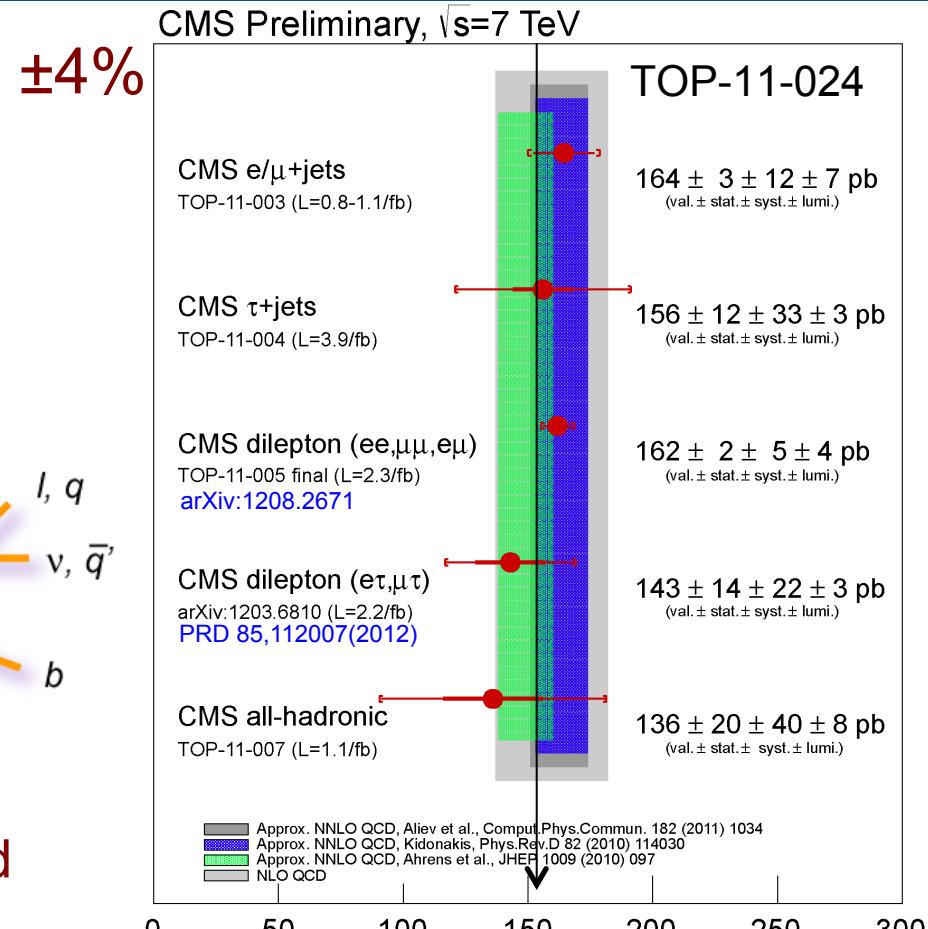


Tau dilepton channel

Reconstruct mass in ttbar events with taus



Good agreement between measurements and predictions (for all decay modes)



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$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 186 \pm 13 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 20 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 7 \text{ (lumi.) pb}$$

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$$\pm 15\%$$

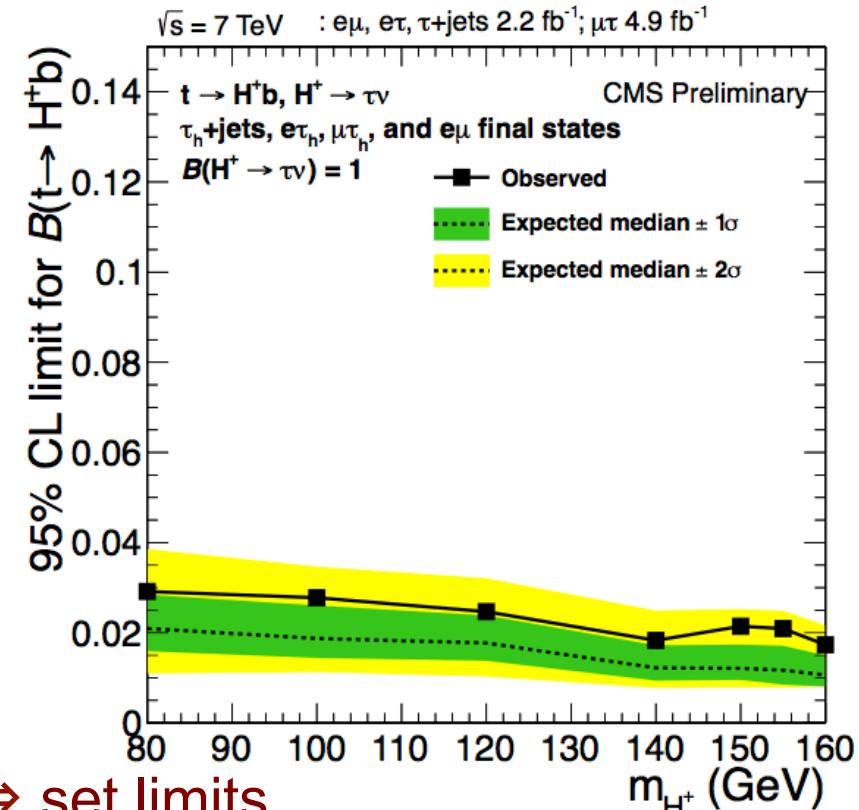
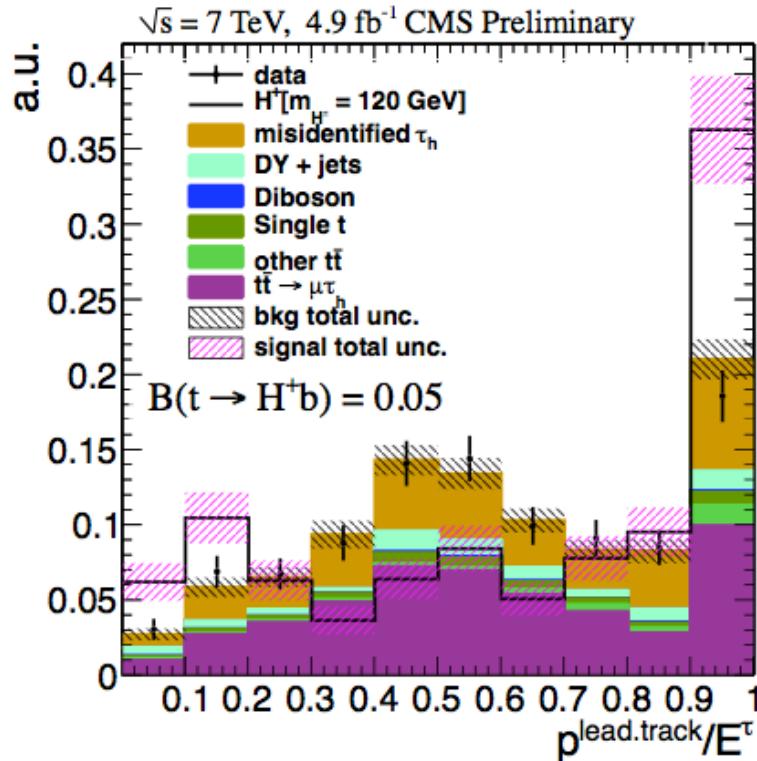
$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 143 \pm 14 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 22 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 3 \text{ (lumi.) pb}$$

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$$\pm 16\%$$

Is there a charged Higgs?

- If anomalous tau production in ttbar decays there may be contribution from charged Higgs decays



Yields in agreement with expectations \Rightarrow set limits

$80 < m_{H^+} < 160 \text{ GeV}$

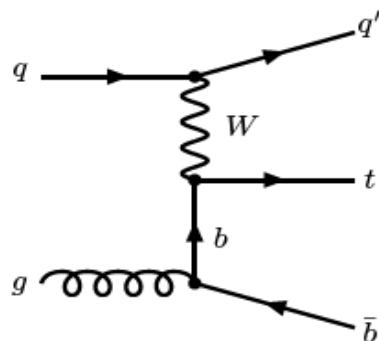
$$BR(t \rightarrow H^+ b) < 2 - 3\%$$

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ttbar resonances

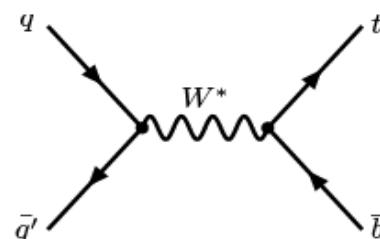
How else is top produced?

Standard Model LHC Single Top Production



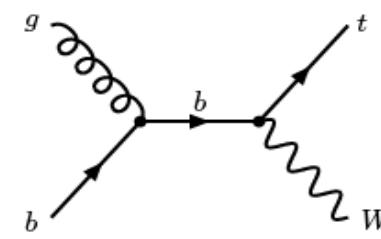
$64.57^{+2.09}_{-0.71} {}^{+1.51}_{-1.74}$ pb

Kidonakis, N.
PRD83:091503, 2011



$4.63 \pm 0.07 {}^{+0.19}_{-0.17}$ pb

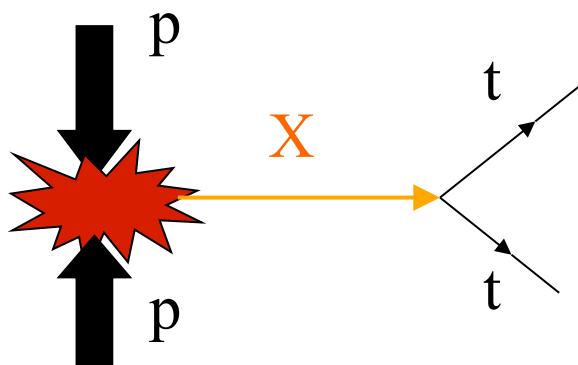
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$15.74 \pm 0.40 {}^{+1.10}_{-1.14}$ pb

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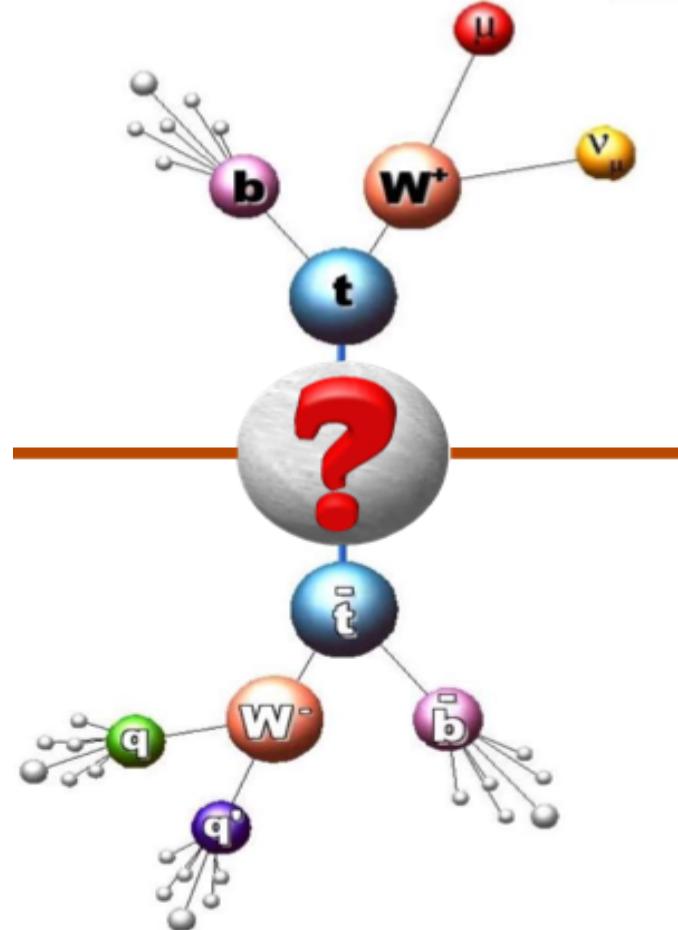
For single top:
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Resonance Production?
Top Color-Assisted Technicolor
OR
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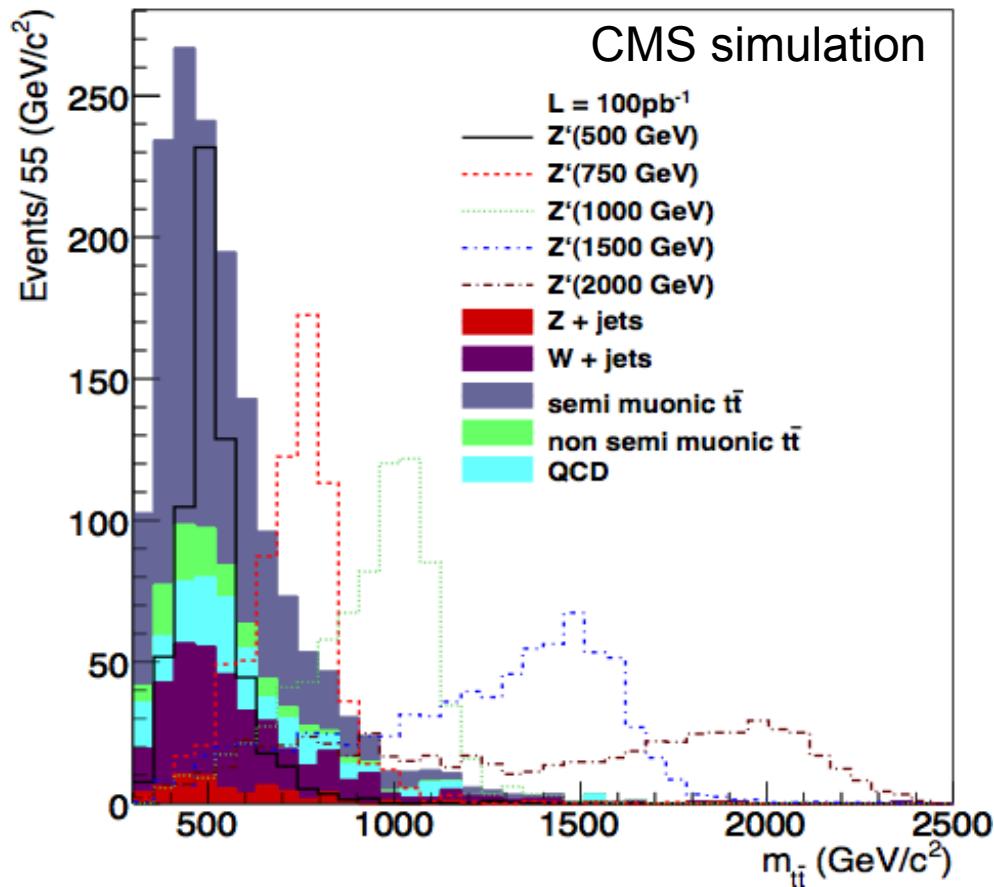
Top quark pair resonance

- No resonance expected in SM
- Why is Top so heavy?
 - new physics?
 - is third generation ‘special’?
 - couples predominantly to third generation quarks
- Top is relatively unknown experimentally
- Experimental check
 - search for a bump in the invariant mass spectrum



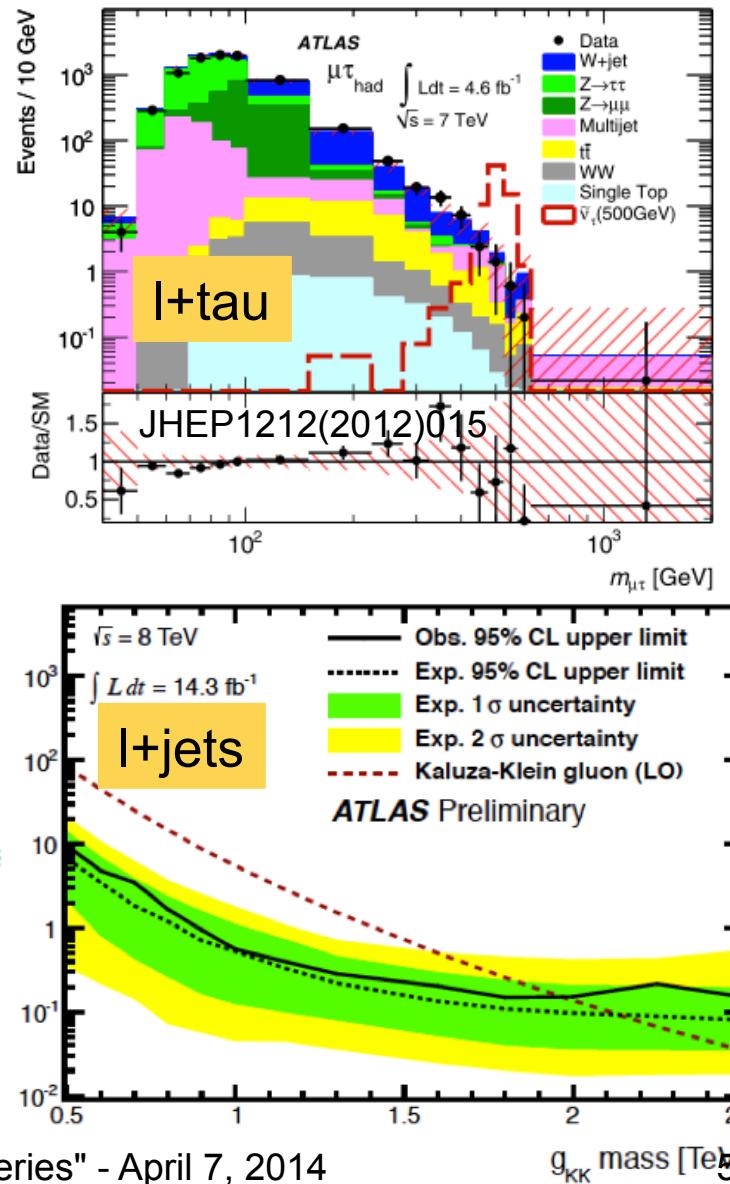
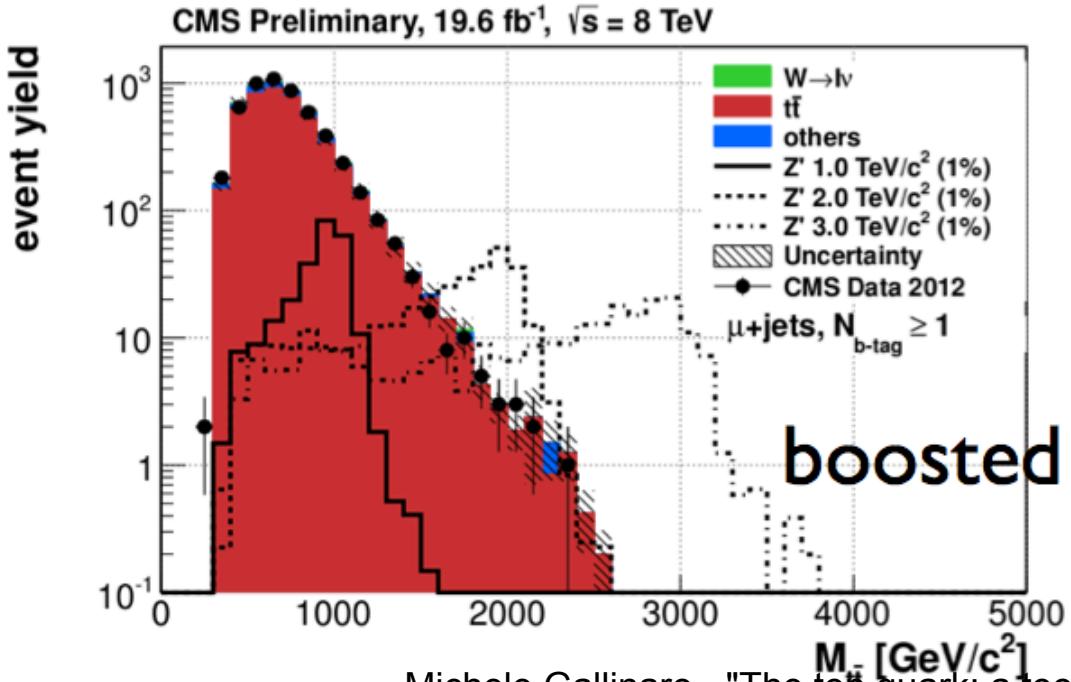
Search for resonances

- Semi-leptonic (muon+jets) channel
- $Z' \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ cross section normalized to SM $t\bar{t}$
- Progressive loss in reconstruction ability due to jet merging



Search for heavy resonances

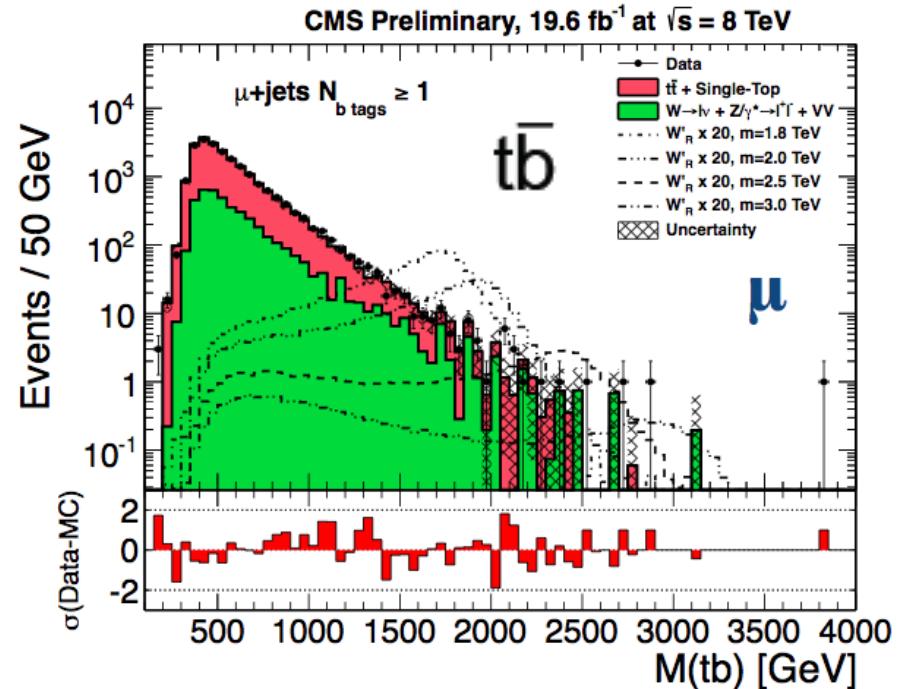
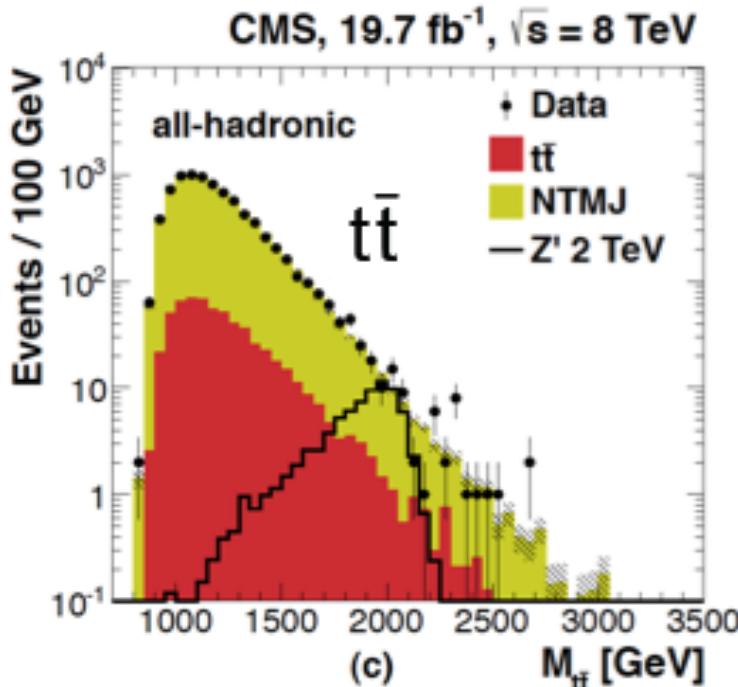
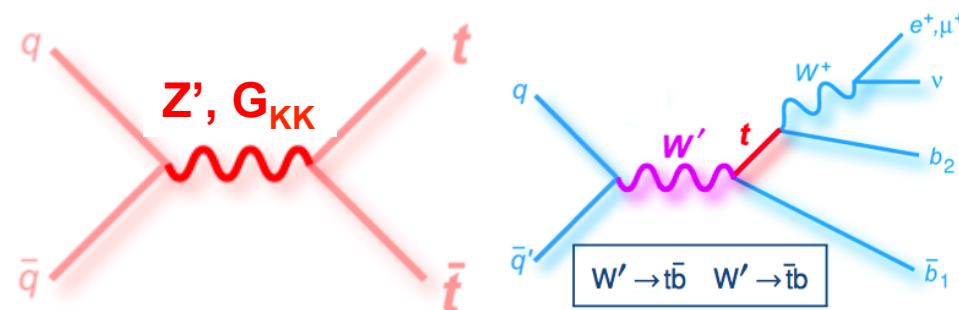
- search for massive neutral bosons decaying via a $t\bar{t}$ bar quark pair
- use dilepton/lepton+jet final states (electron and muon)
 - Reconstruct $M_{t\bar{t}\text{bar}}$ in different categories (e/μ , n -jets, n b-tags)
 - I+jet events: full event reconstruction
 - Dileptons: use NN approach to improve S-B separation
- systematics include shape (JES, b-tag, theory model) and rates (eff. bkg yields)



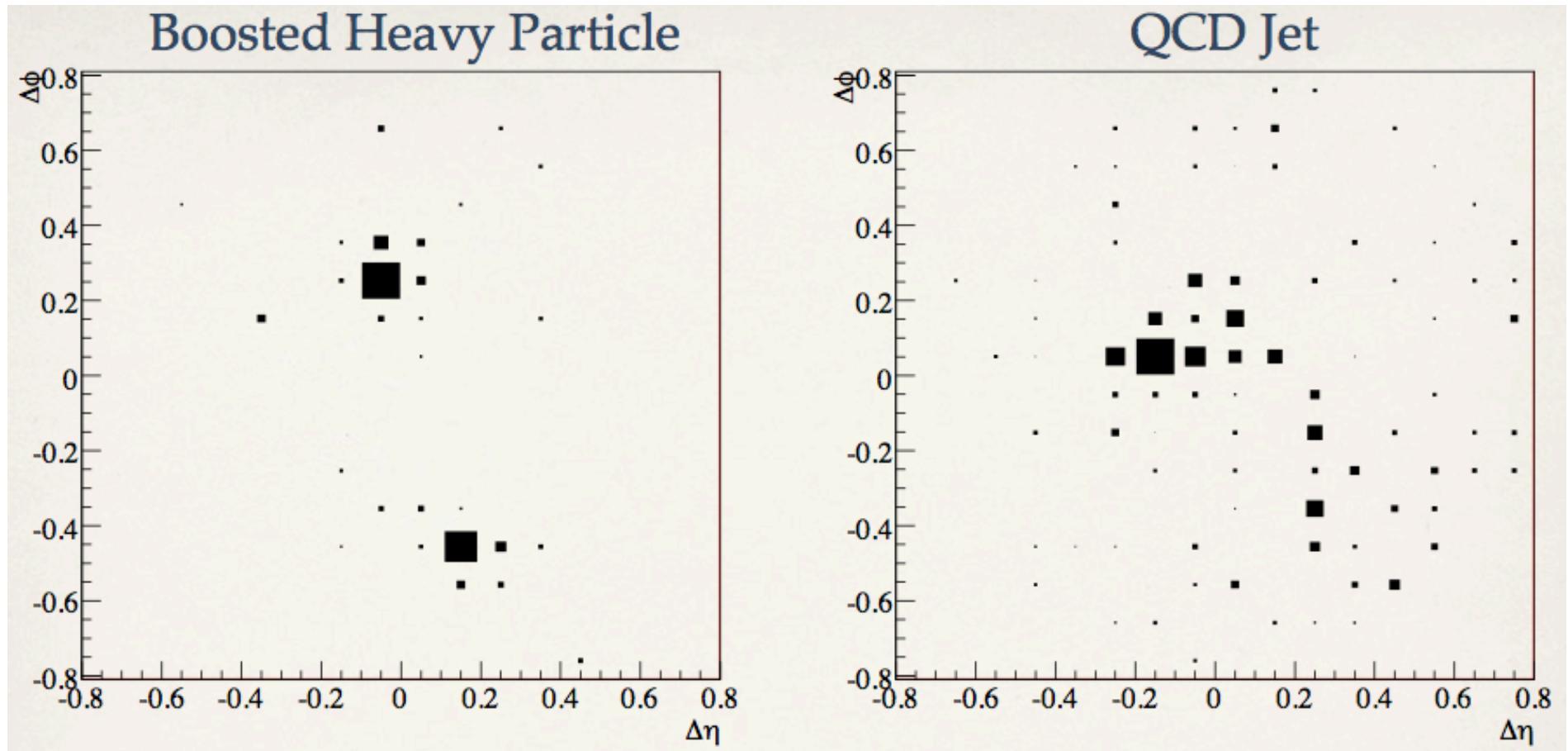
Searches for tt/tb resonances

Two benchmark models considered:

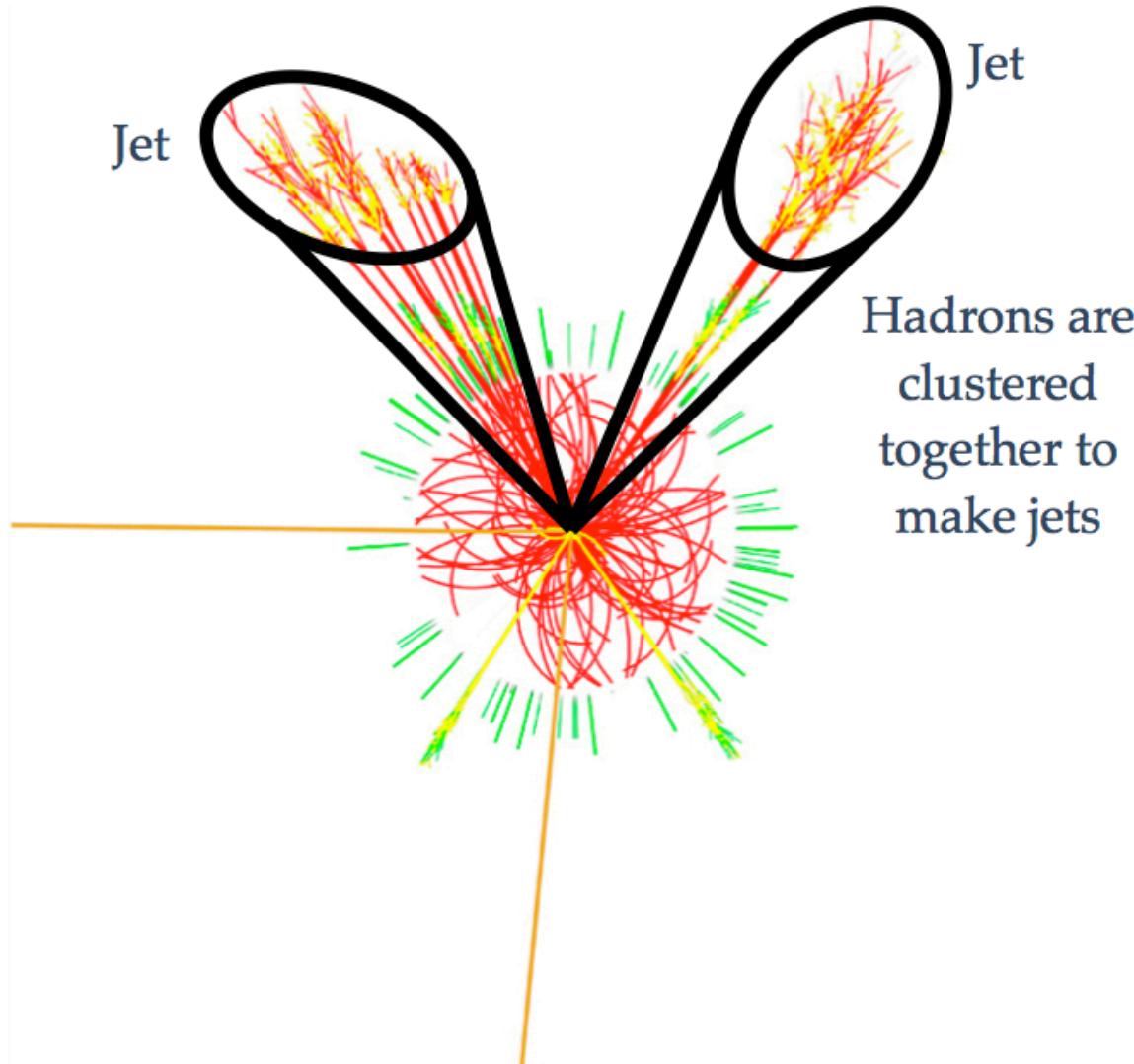
- Leptophobic topcolor Z'
⇒ narrow resonances
- Kaluza-Klein gluons from Randall-Sundrum models
⇒ broad resonances



Boosted topology



Jets and boosted topology

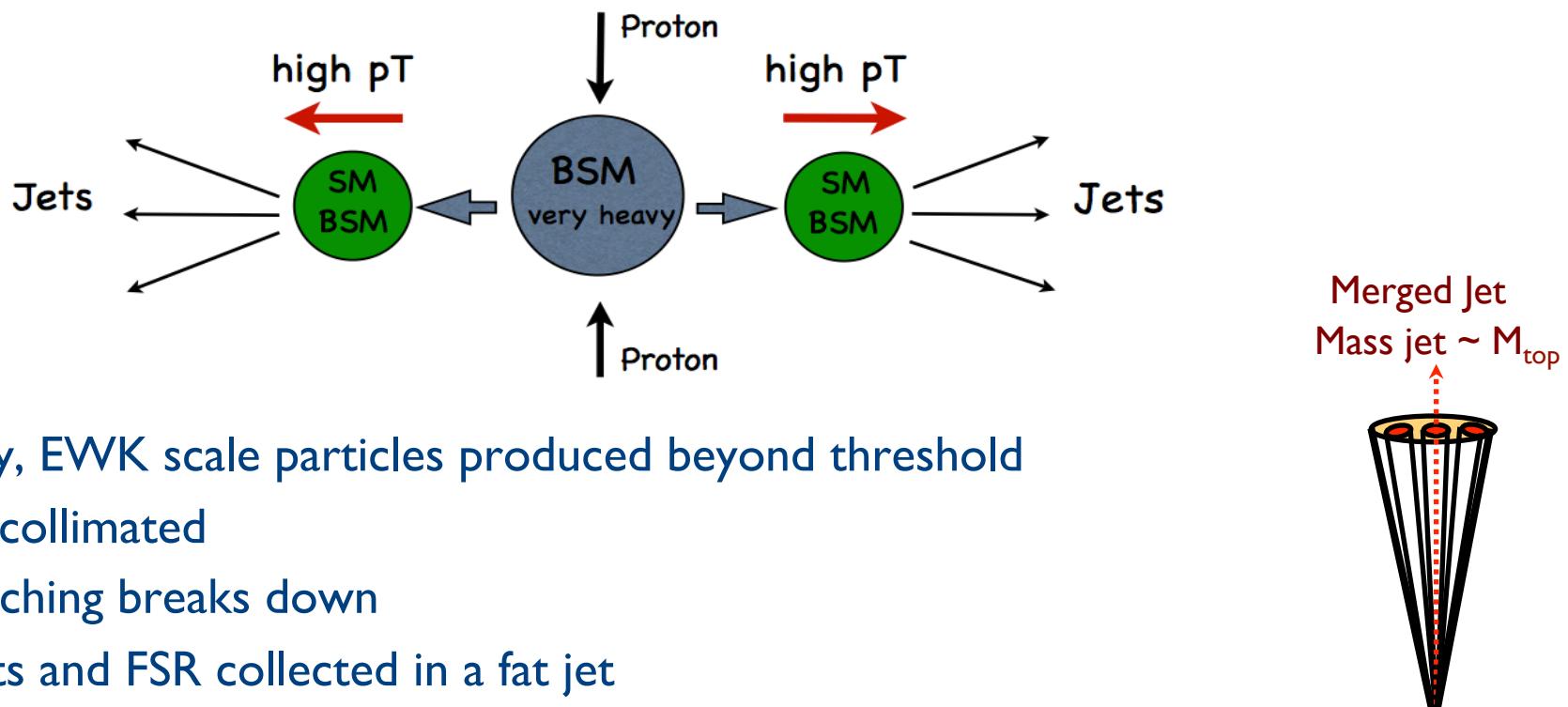


Boosted topology

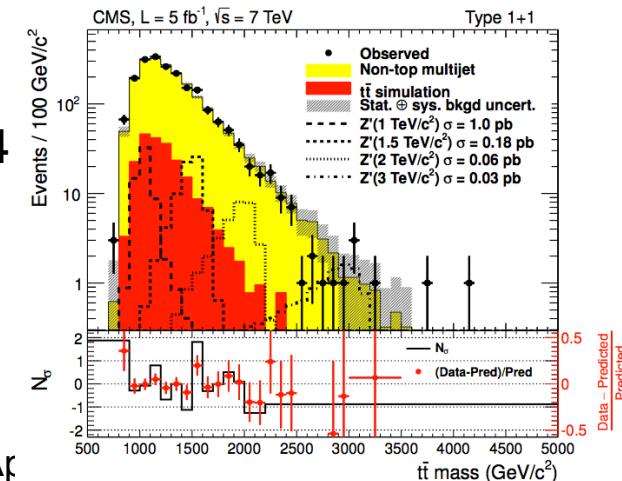
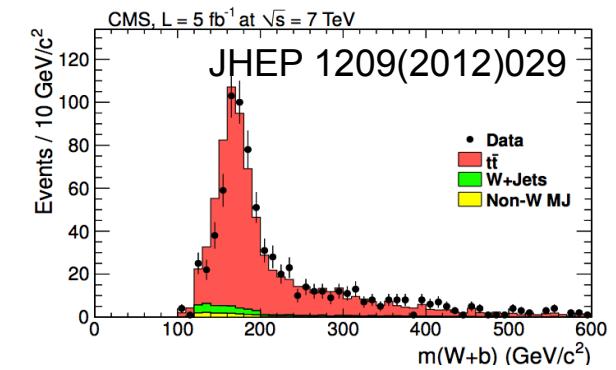
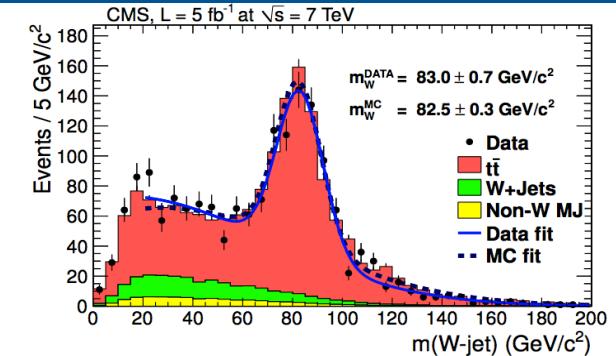
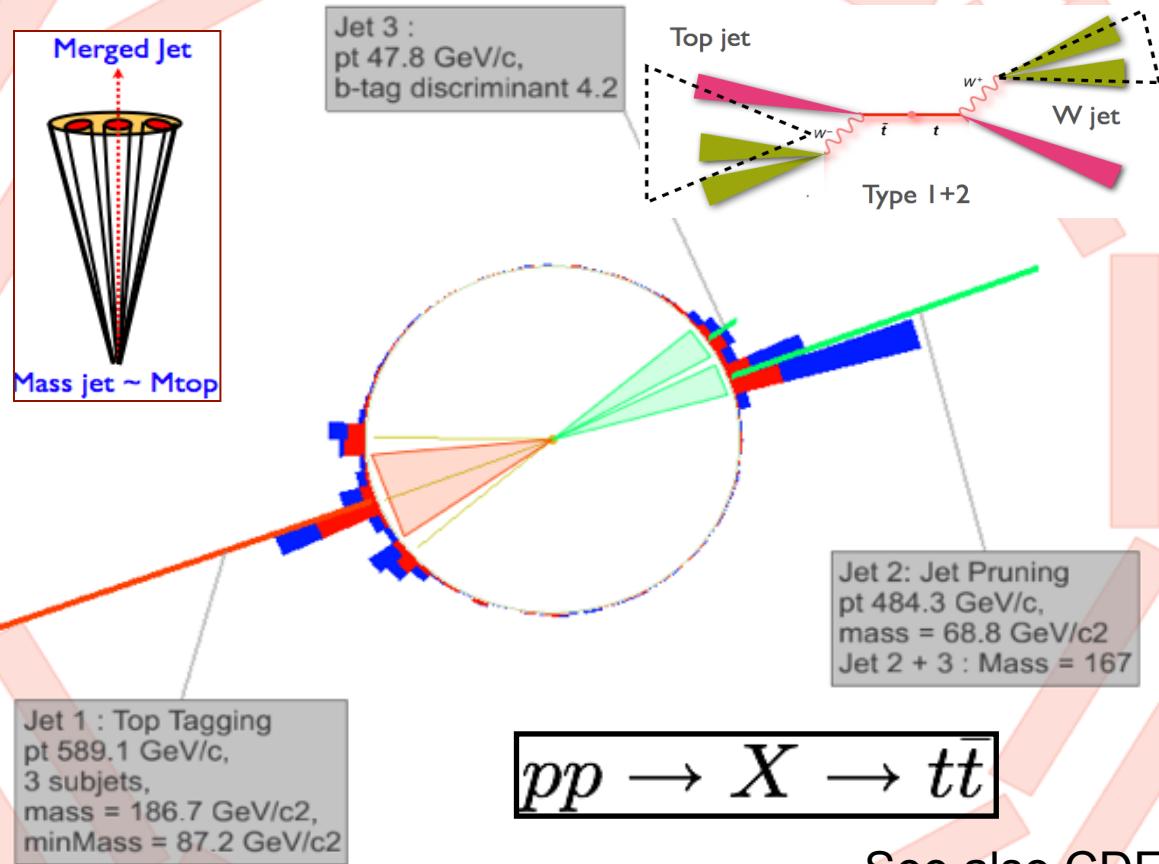
- In many models there is high potential to discover new physics in the top sector in search for heavy resonances

$$pp \rightarrow X \rightarrow t\bar{t}$$

- Simple approach to merge neighboring jets



Boosted jet topology

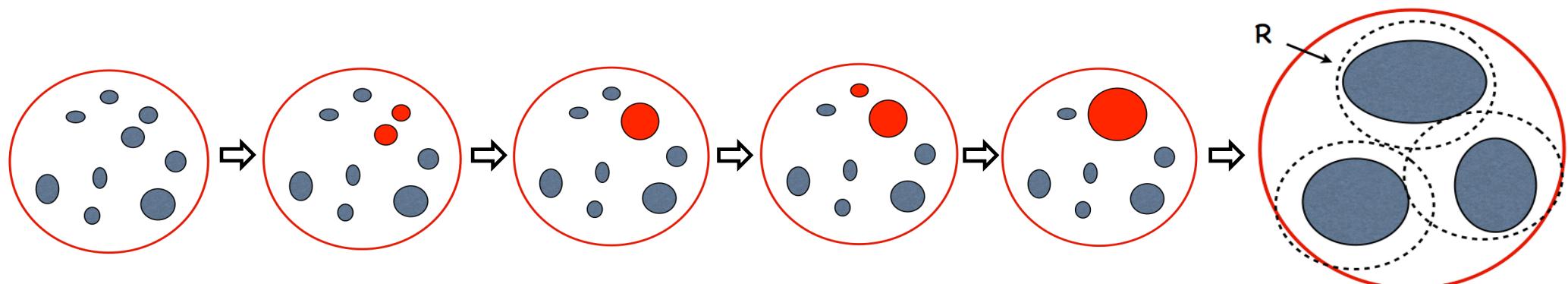
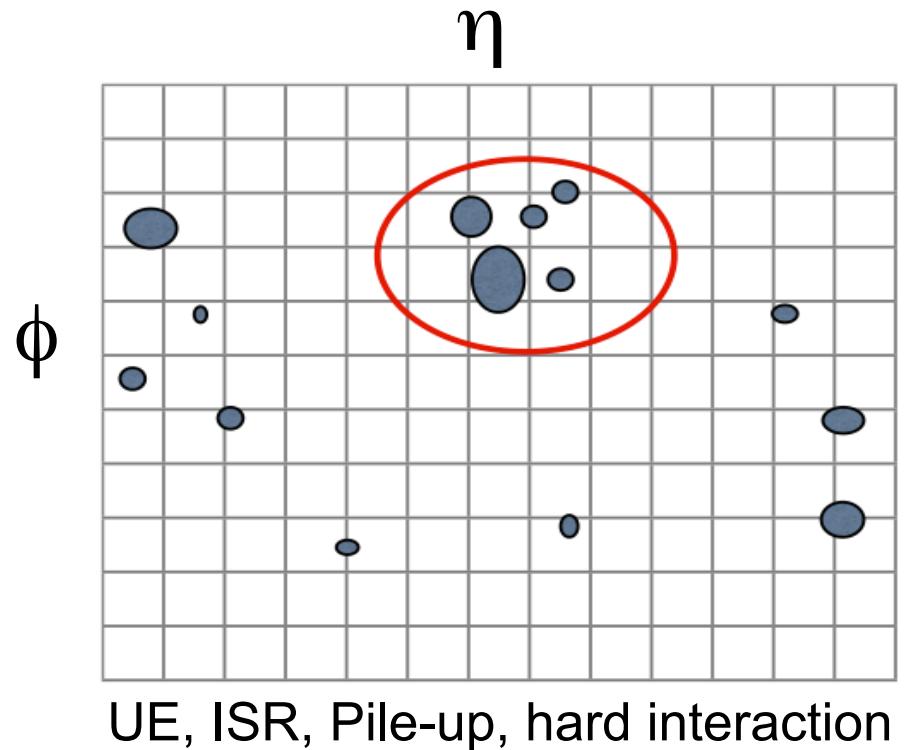


See also CDF note 10234

- At LHC energy, EWK scale particles produced beyond threshold
- Jets are highly collimated
- Decay products and FSR collected in a fat jet

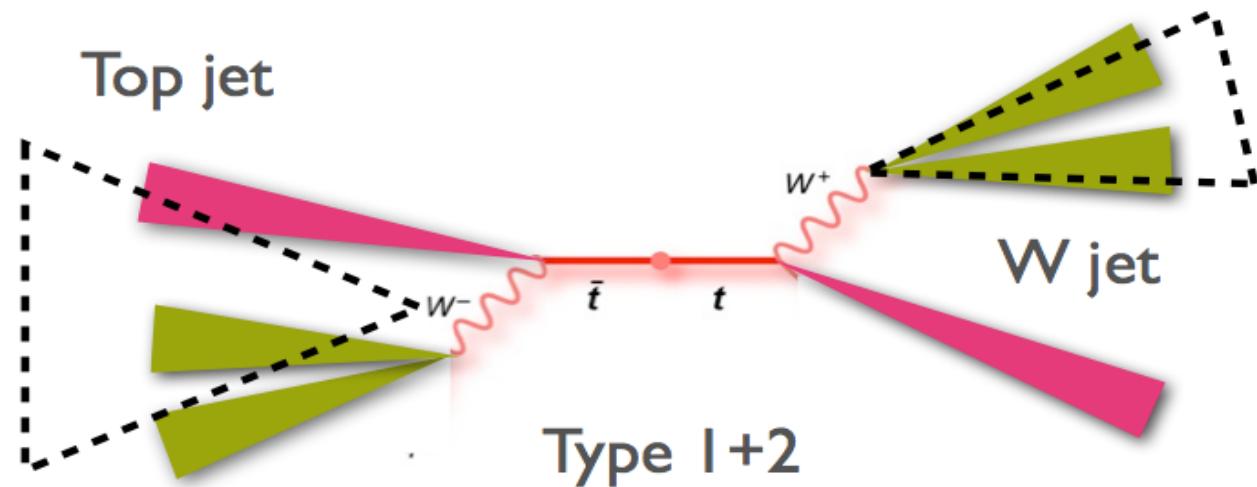
Jet/Event selection

- Locate hadronic energy deposit in detector by choosing initial jet finding algorithm
- Impose jet selection cuts on fat jet
 - Recombine jet constituents with new algorithm
 - Filtering: recombine n sub-jets min $d(i,j)$
 - Trimming: recombine sub-jets with min p_T
- Minimum distance between jets is R



Boosted top topology

- **Highly boosted top:** three hadronic decays of the top are merged in one top jet
- **Moderately boosted top:** three hadronic decays of the top are merged in one W jet plus and one b jet candidates

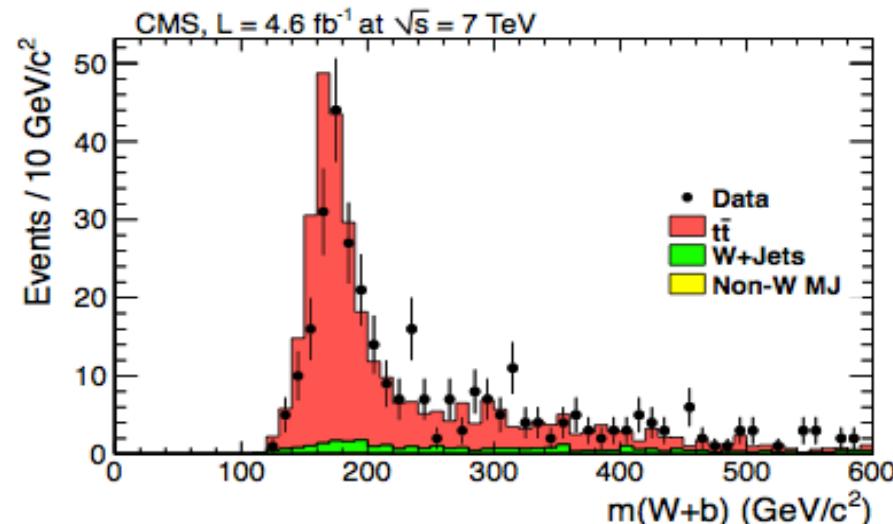
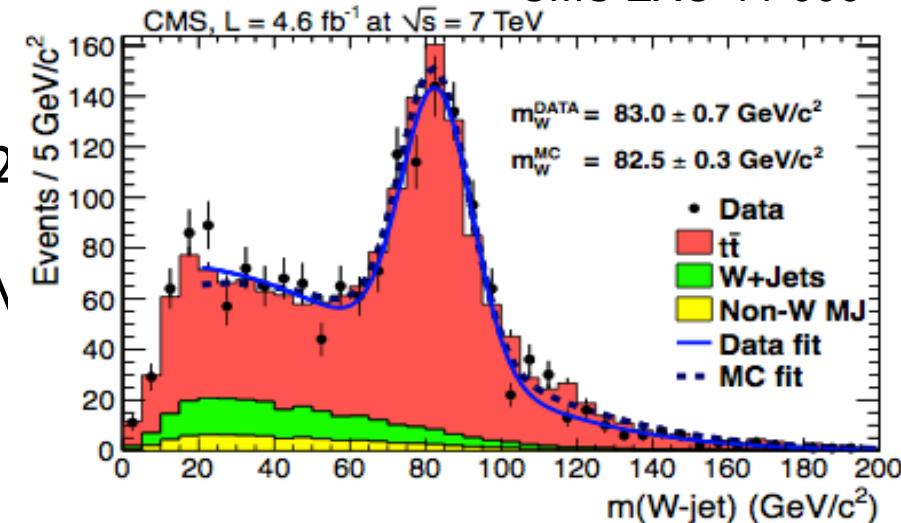


Boosted top topology

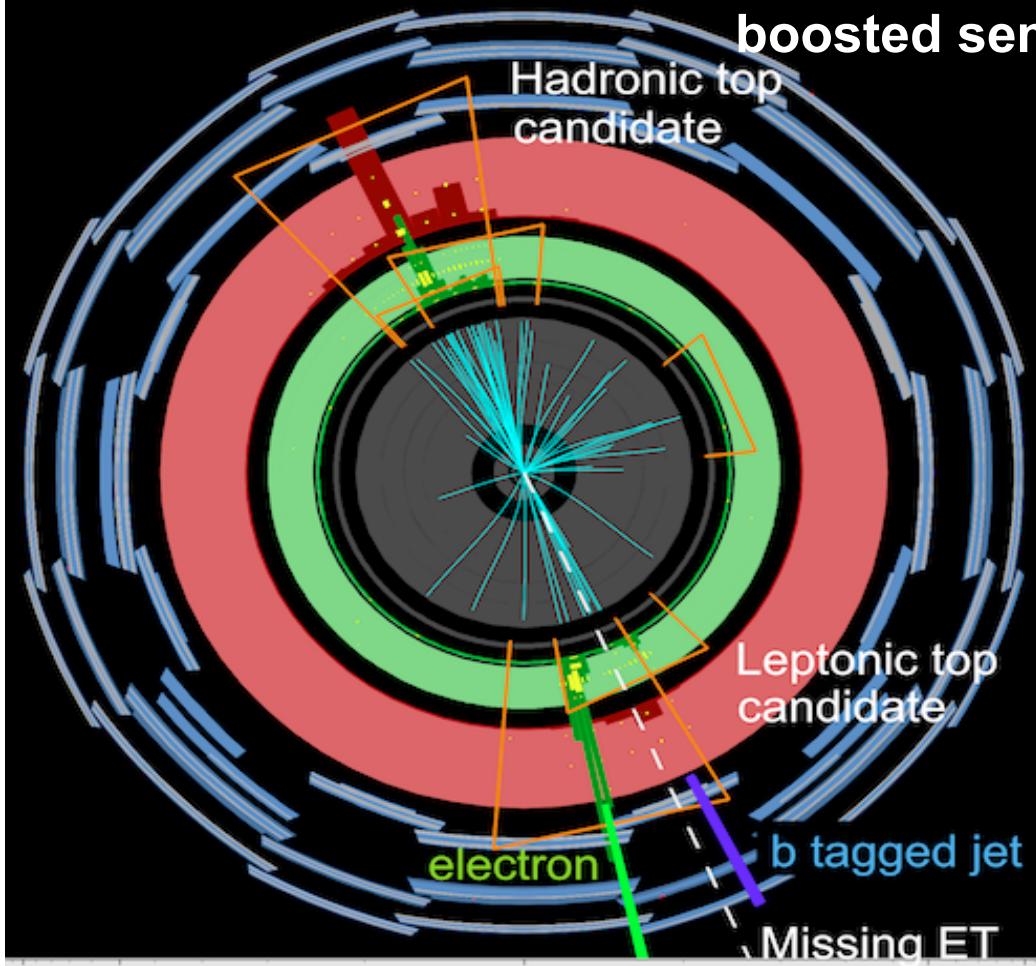
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Tested using hadronic top in semilep. tt events:

- One high-pT isolated muon from PV.
- At least two jets $p_T > 30$ GeV with a leading jet $p_T > 2$ GeV and at least one b-tagged jet
- Events with W tagged jets used to reconstruct the \ and the top mass of the hadronic side

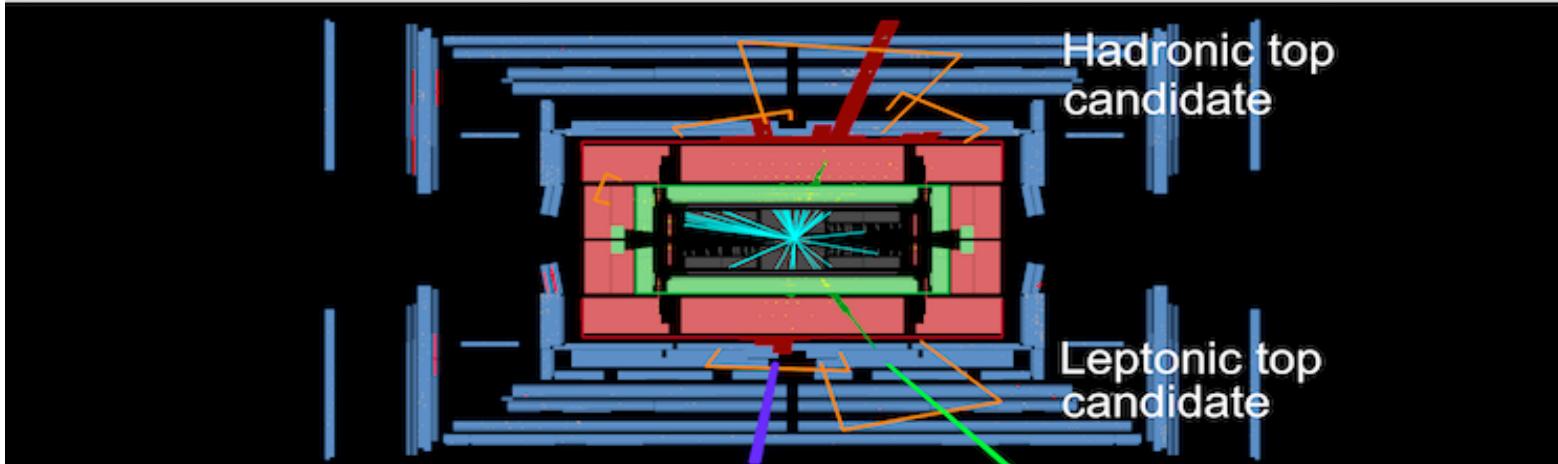
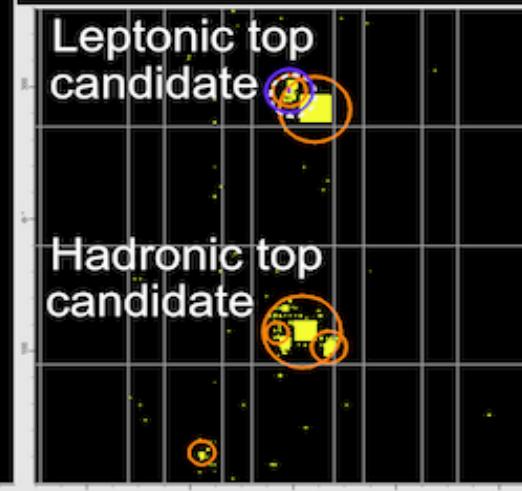


boosted semi-leptonic candidate event



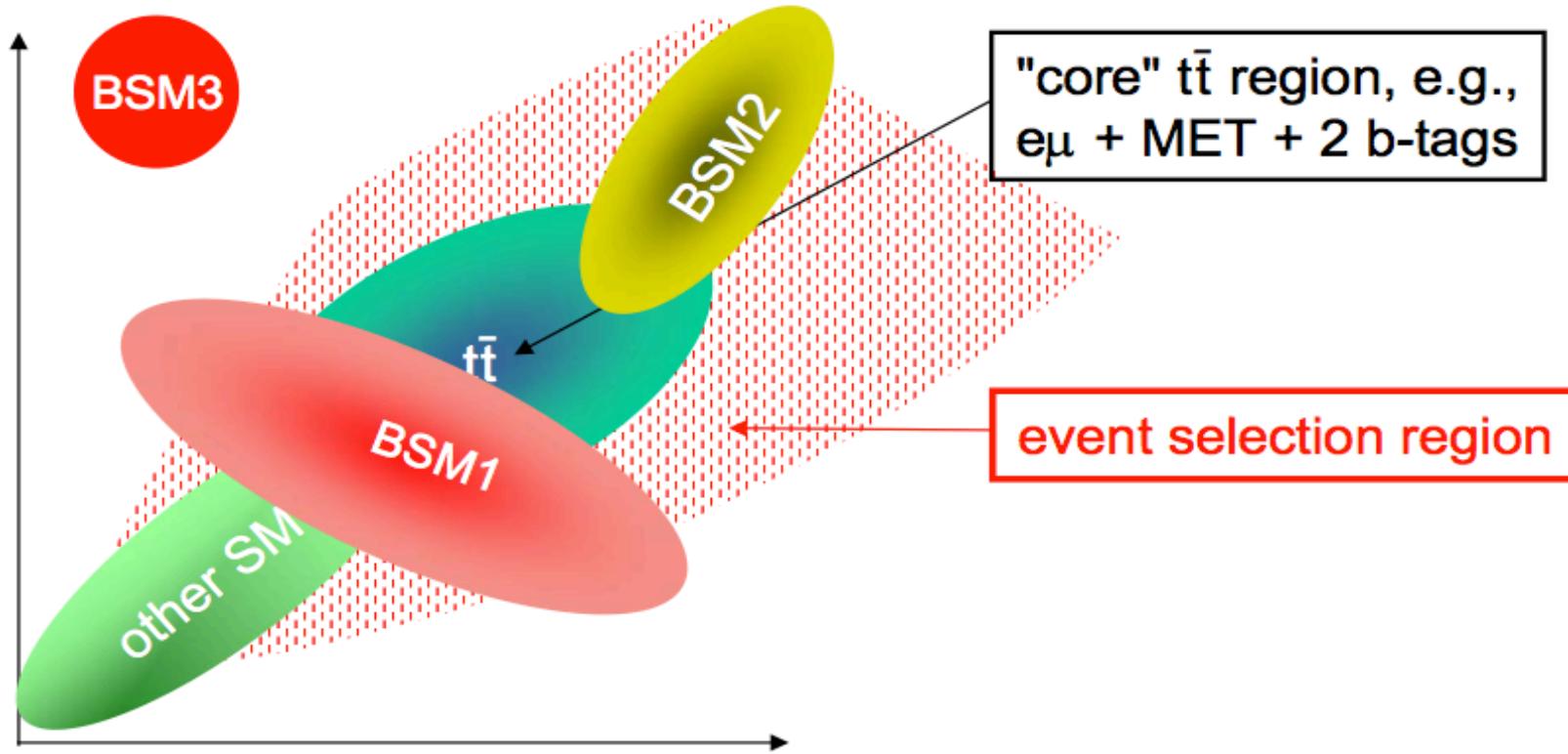
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Top quark and new physics

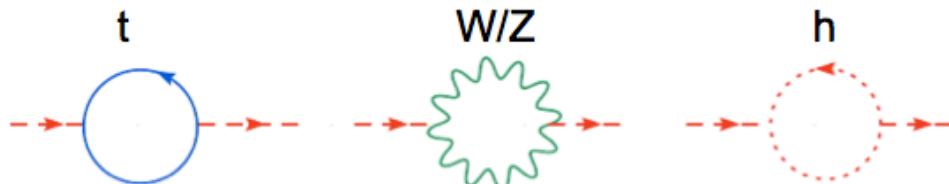
- Top quark production is main background in many searches for new physics
- Top quark sample may be contaminated by NP processes
- Is top quark sample compatible with top quark SM hypothesis?
- Need to compare distributions, gain good understanding of top sample



SUSY and 4th generation

Top as window to BSM physics

Top quark affects stability of Higgs mass



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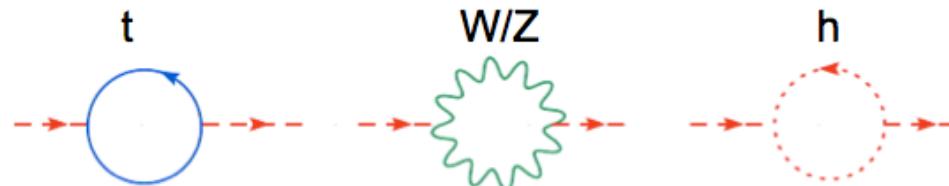
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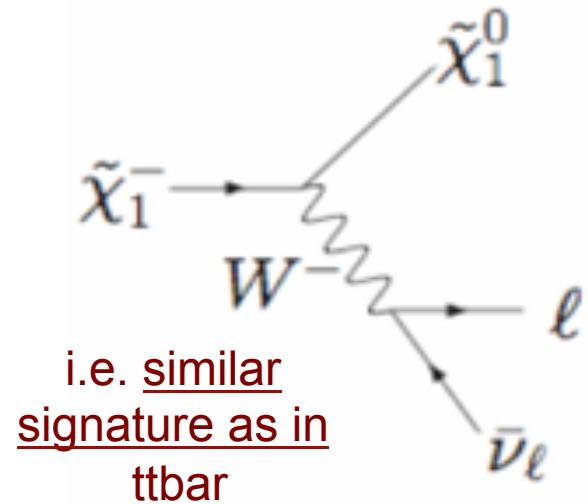
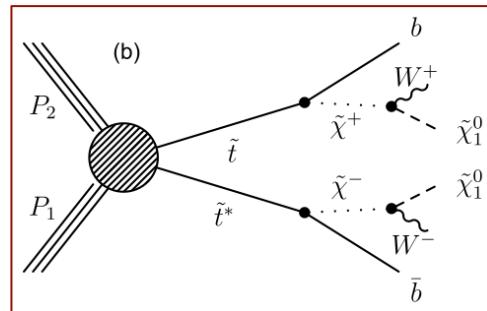
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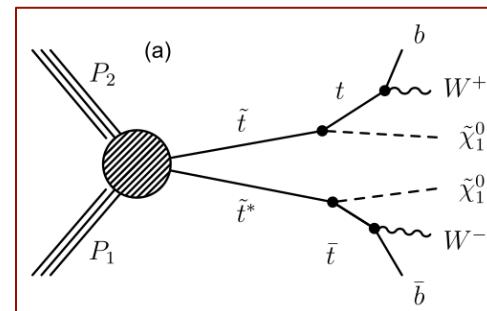
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$$m_{\tilde{t}_1} \lesssim m_t$$



$$\tilde{t} \rightarrow b \tilde{\chi}^+ \rightarrow b W \tilde{\chi}_1^0$$

- Heavy stop:

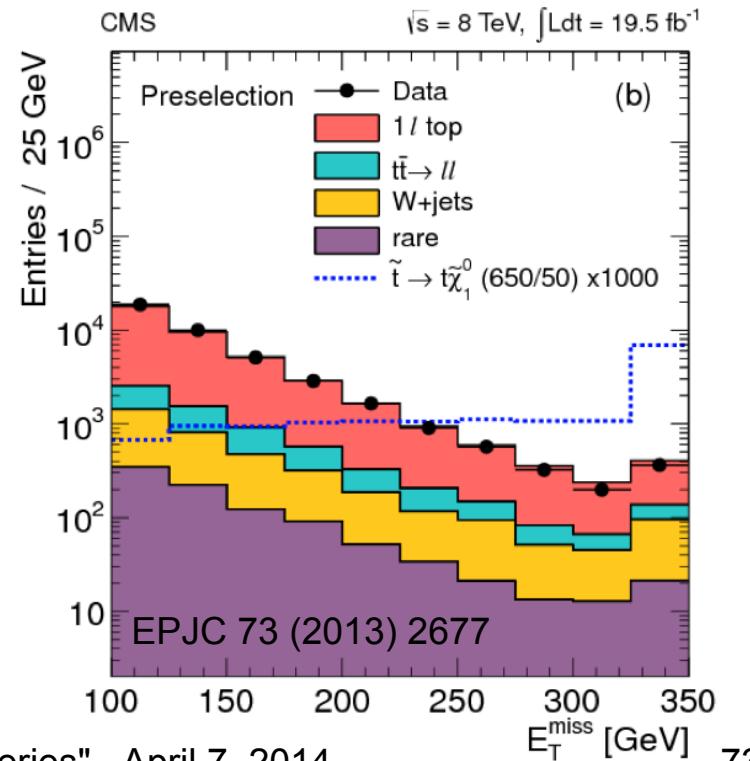
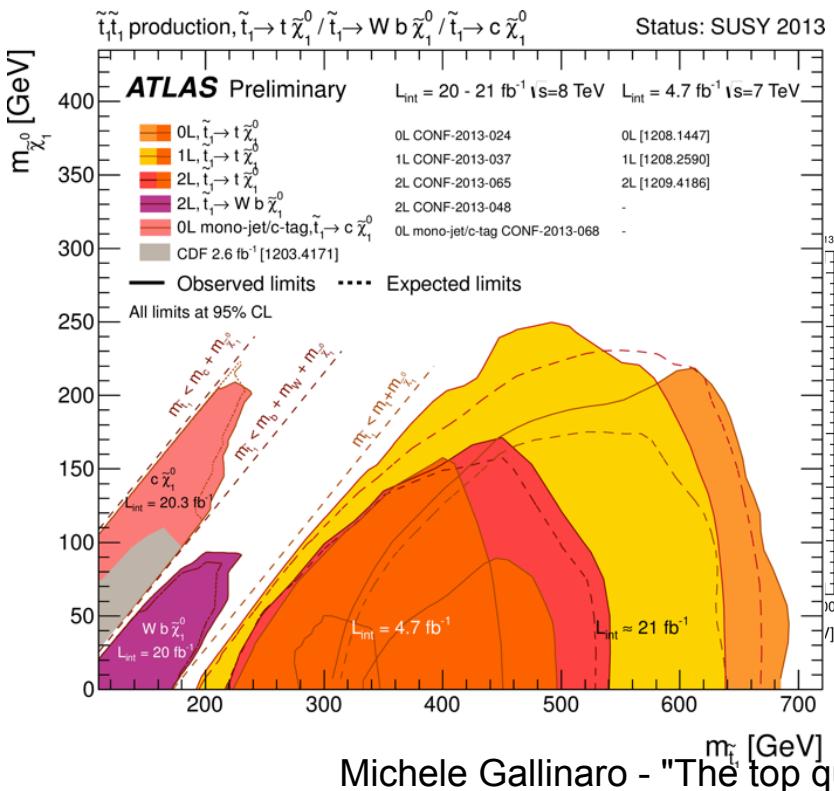


$$\tilde{t} \rightarrow t \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \rightarrow b W \tilde{\chi}_1^0$$

Top and SUSY

- Due to the large top mass, the scalar top quark can be lighter than the top quark
- Direct stop production
- 1st and 2nd generation squarks can be very heavy
- Similar to ttbar lepton+jet and dilepton final states

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{t} &\rightarrow t \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \rightarrow b W \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \\ \tilde{t} &\rightarrow b \tilde{\chi}_1^+ \rightarrow b W \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \end{aligned}$$

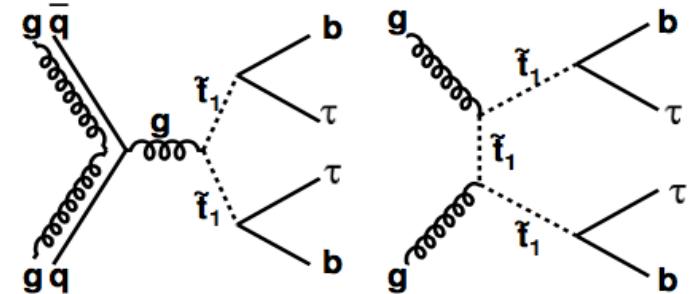


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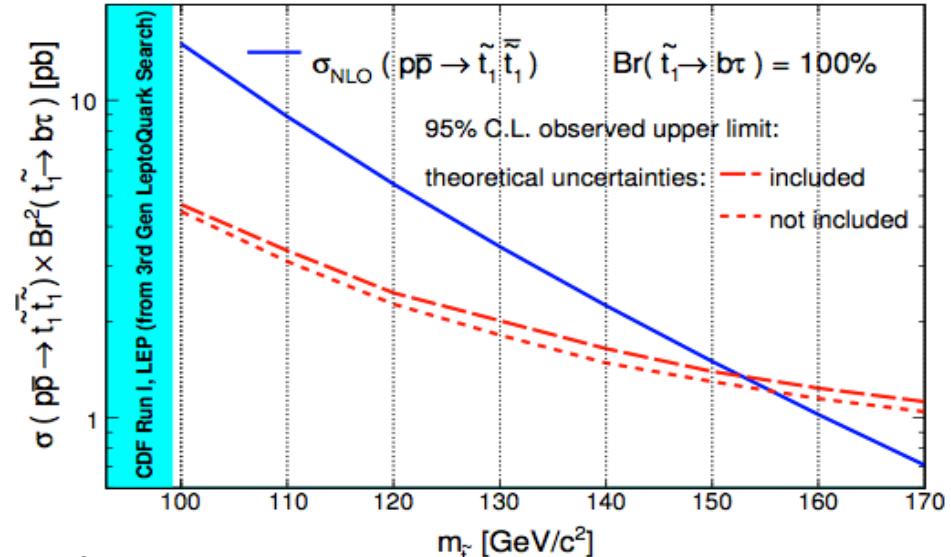
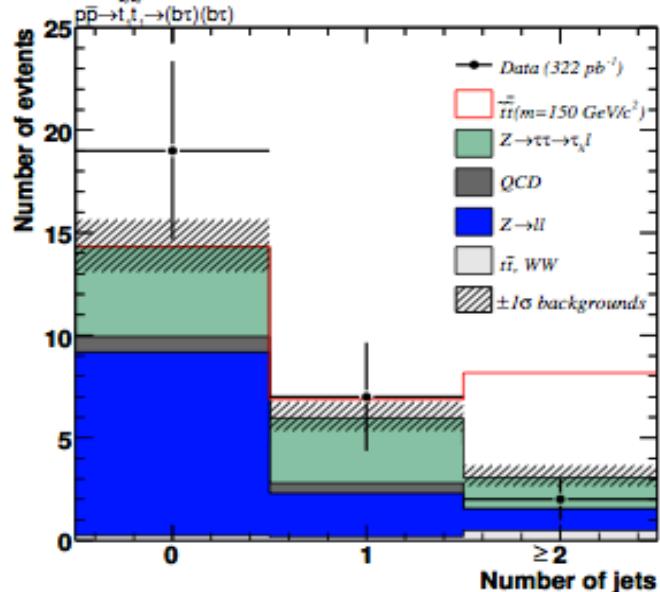
- Assume each stop decays to tau and b (R-parity violation)

$$\tilde{t}_1 \bar{\tilde{t}}_1 \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^- b \bar{b}$$

- Similar final state as in ttbar dilepton with taus
- Look for $e/\mu + \geq 2$ jets + MET
- Define 6 regions in: $m_T(l, \text{MET})$ vs N_{jet} plane
- Find 2 evts in signal region (2.2 expected)

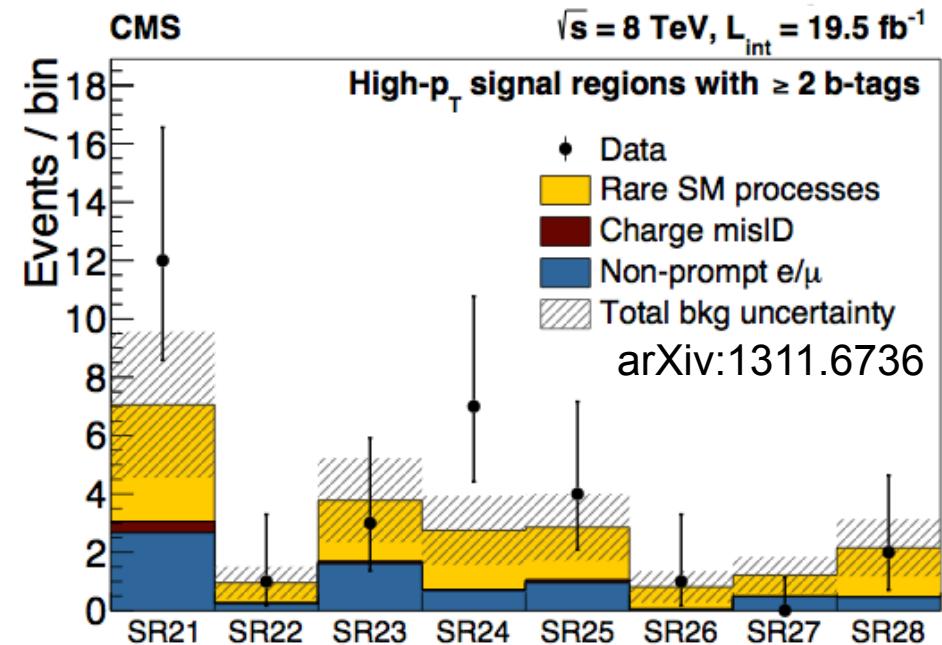
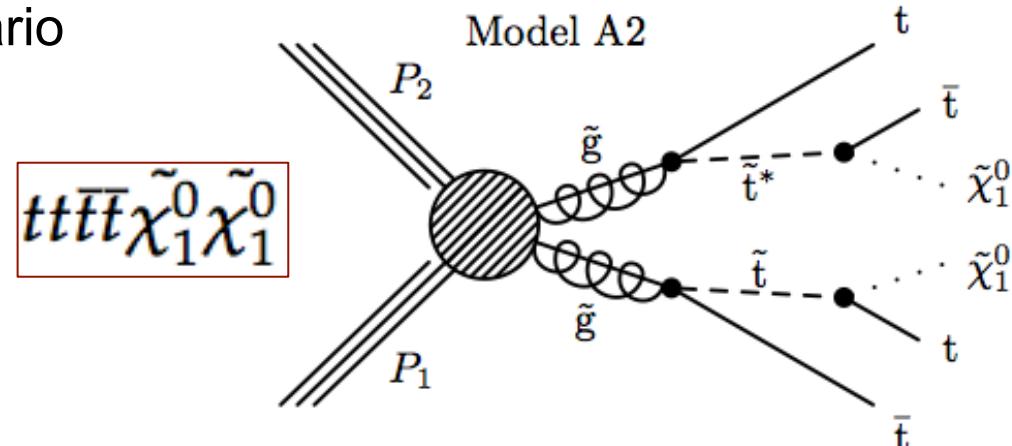


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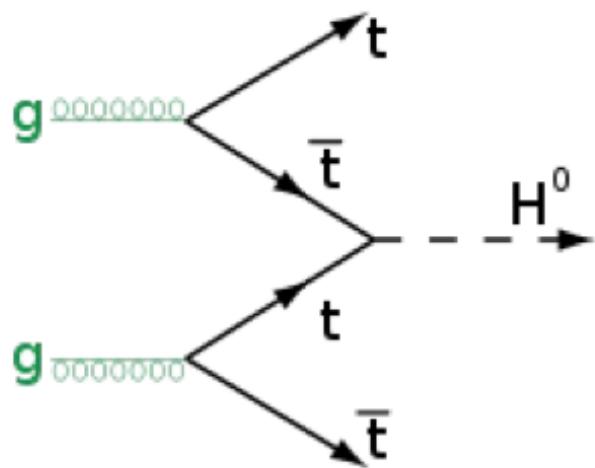
Multi-top production

- Production of 4 tops is an attractive scenario in a number of new physics models
- The SM cross section is a few fb
- Search for same-sign dileptons
- Several models studied
- consider multiple search regions defined by MET, hadronic energy, number of (b-) jets, and transverse momenta of the leptons in the events

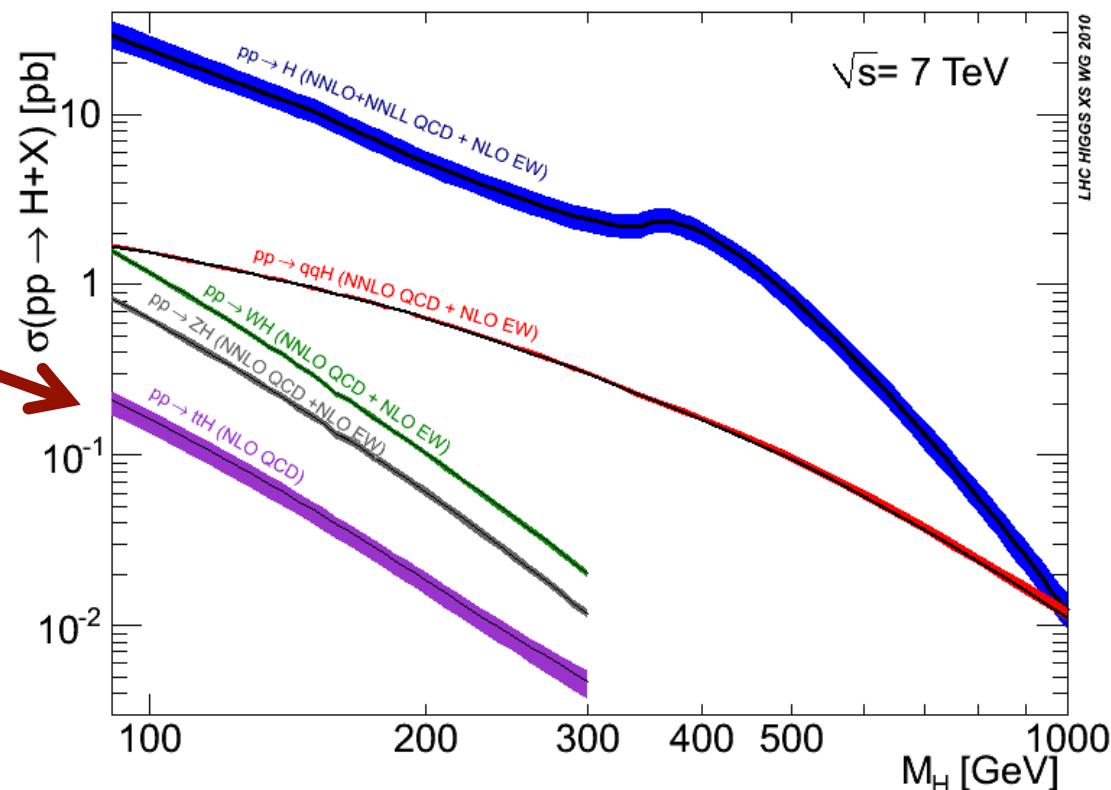


ttbar+Higgs

- ttbar produced in association with H
 - ttbar is a “clean” tag
- direct measurement of Higgs couplings

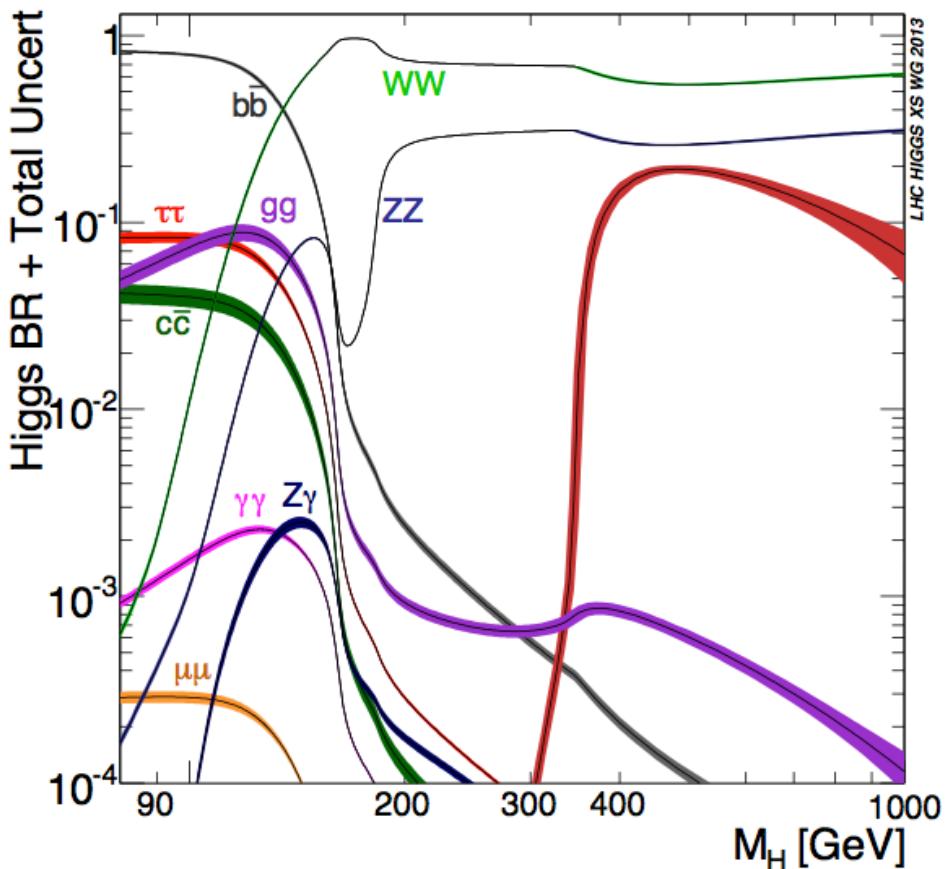


Cross section for $t\bar{t}H$ at the LHC:
0.13 pb (8 TeV)
0.61 pb (14 TeV)

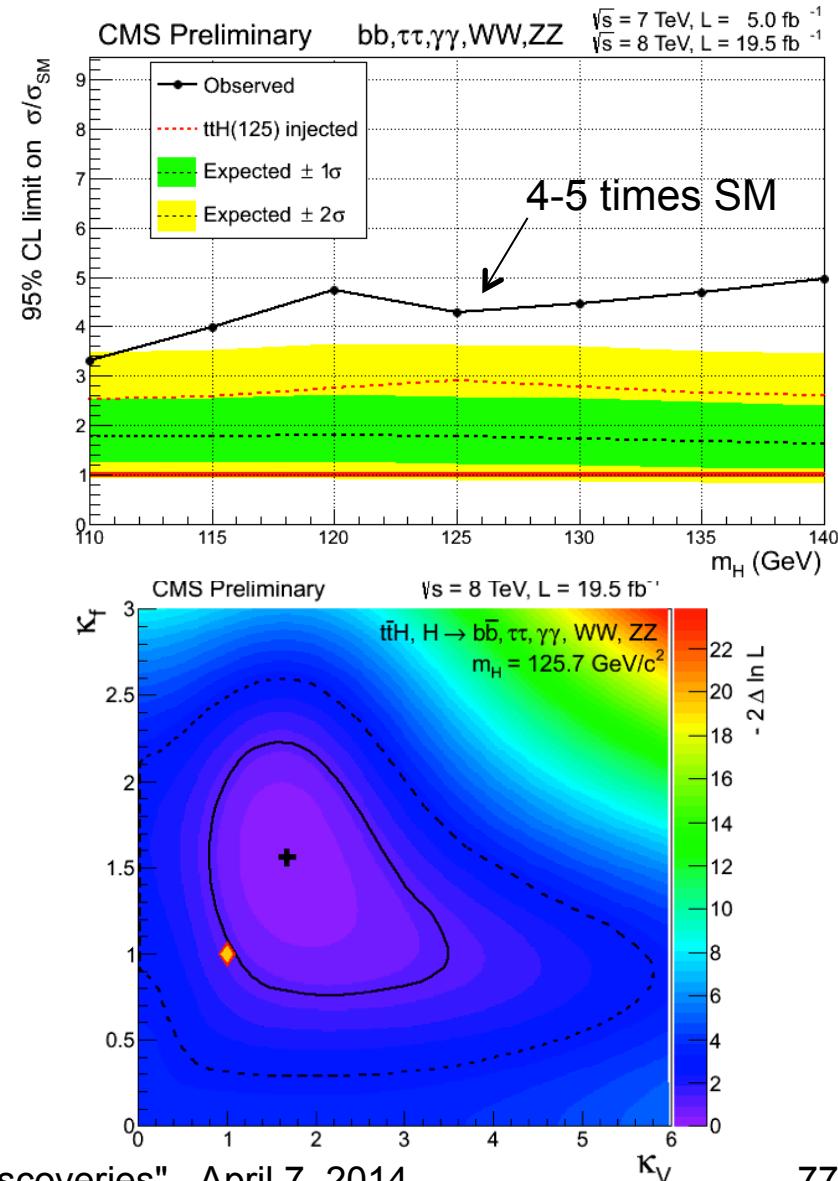


ttbar+Higgs (cont.)

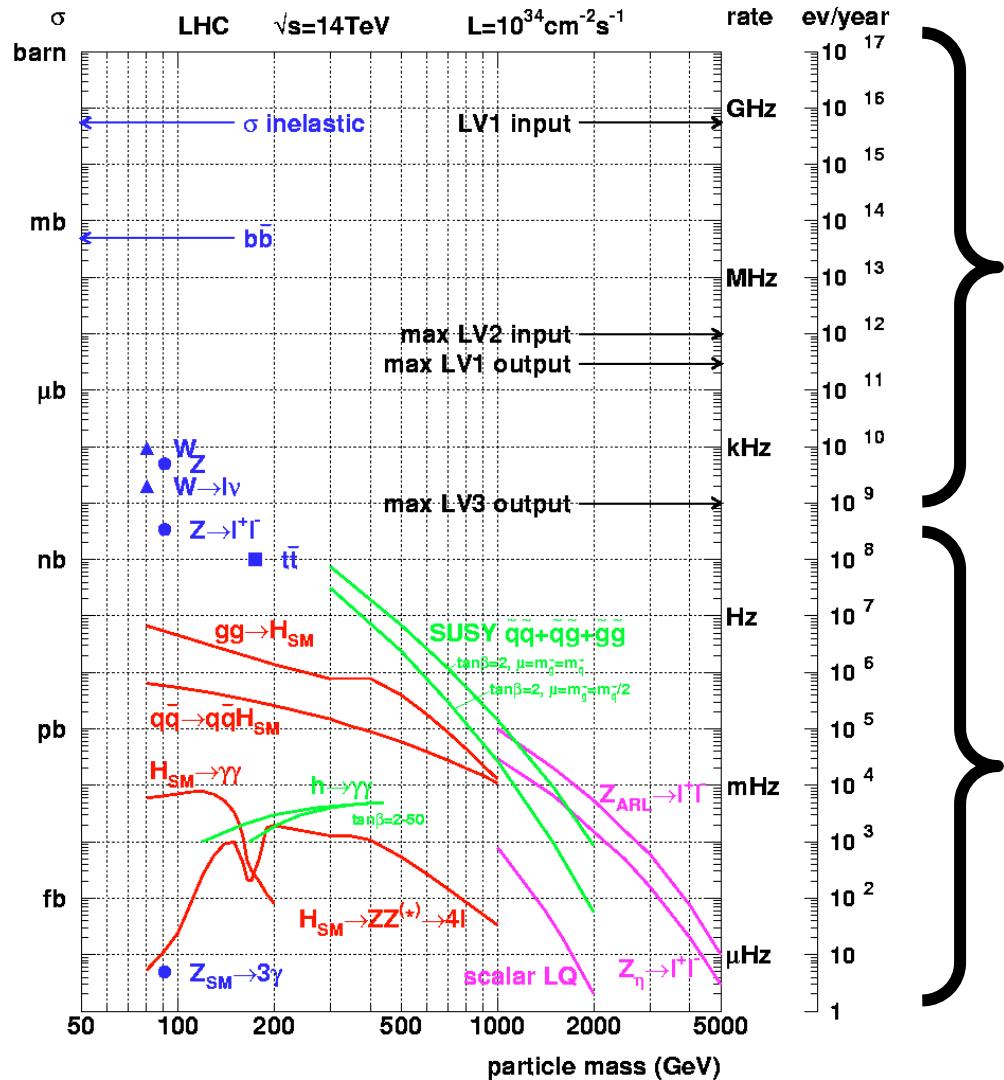
- Search for associated SM Higgs production: ttH
 - Both “dilepton” and “l+jets” channels
- Simultaneous fit for S and B fractions
 - different categories: jet and b-jet multiplicity.



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Cross sections at the LHC



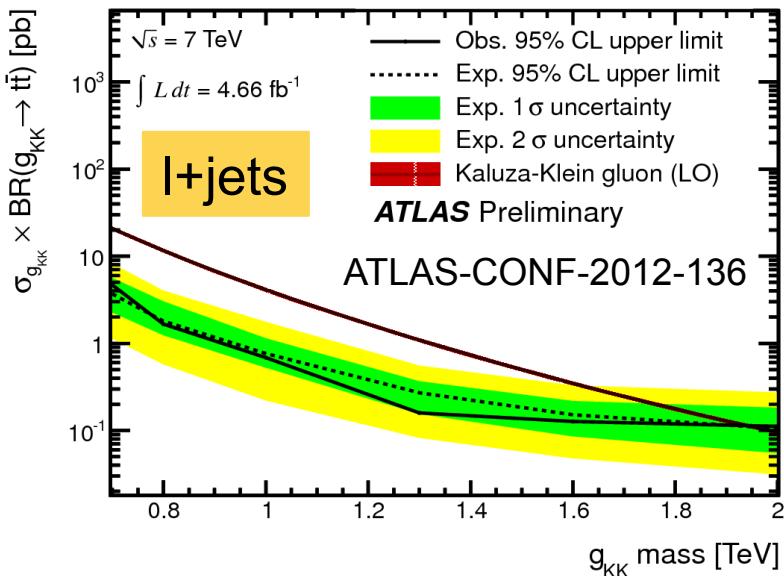
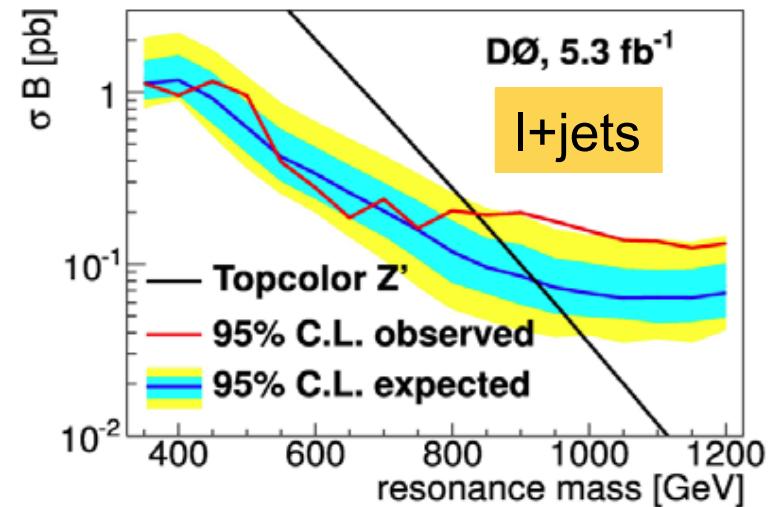
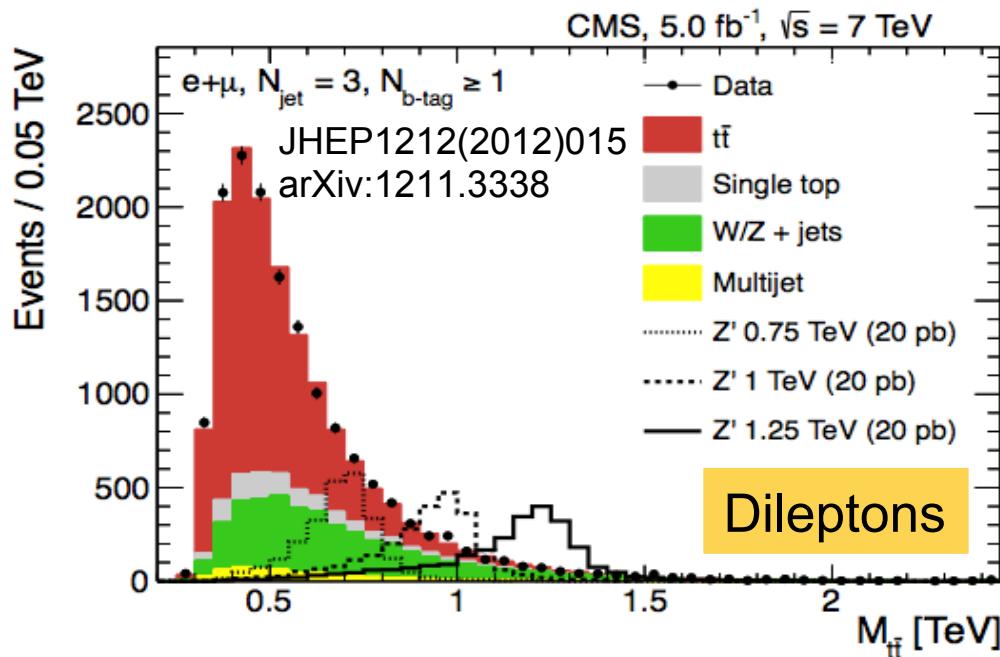
“Well known” processes, don’t need to keep all of them ...

New Physics!!
we want to keep those!

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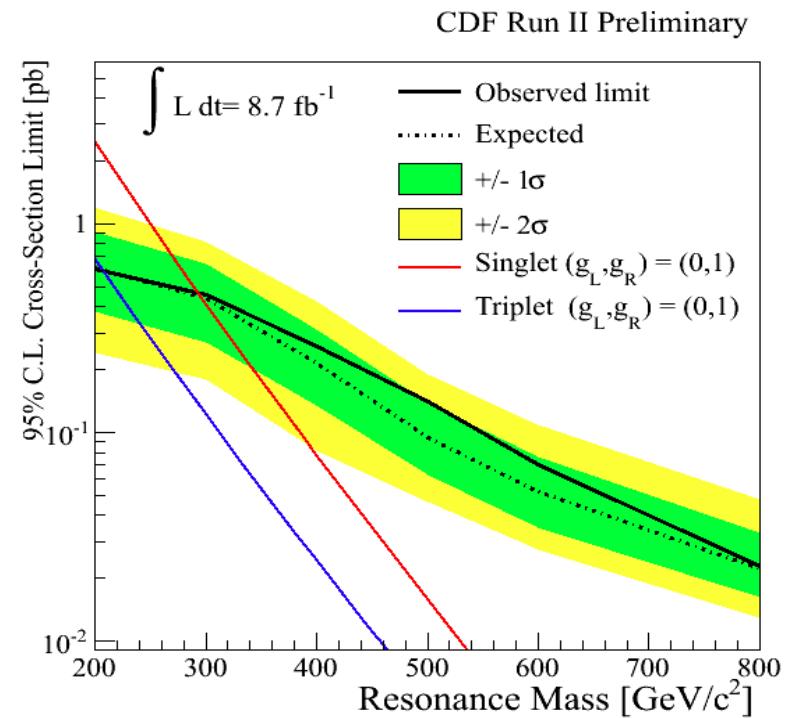
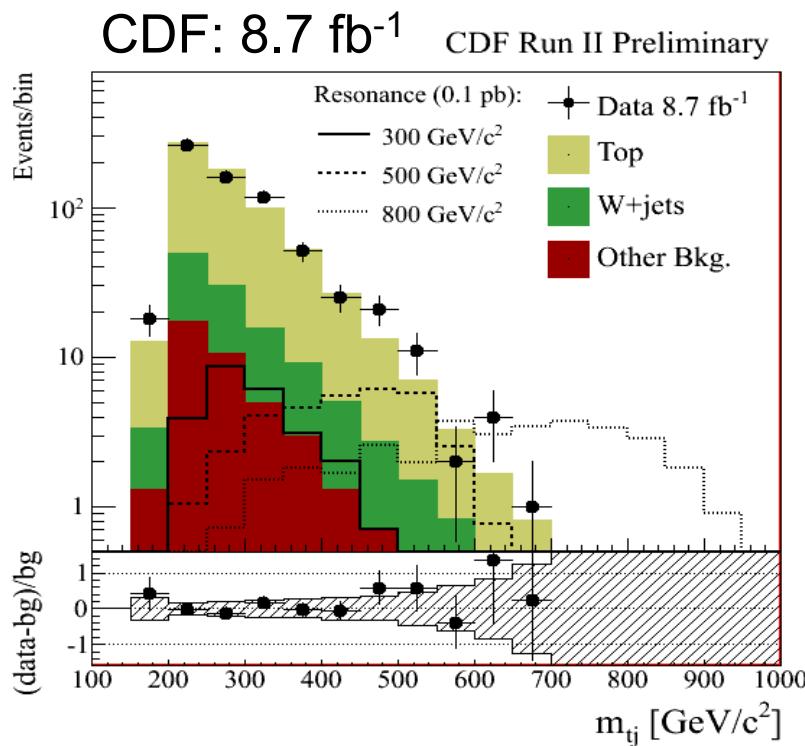
Search for heavy resonances

- search for massive neutral bosons decaying via a $t\bar{t}$ quark pair
- use dilepton/lepton+jet final states (electron and muon)
 - Reconstruct $M_{t\bar{t}}$ in different categories (e/μ , n -jets, n b-tags)
 - I+jet events: full event reconstruction
 - Dileptons: use NN approach to improve S-B separation
- systematics include shape (JES, b-tag, theory model) and rates (eff. bkg yields)



Search for ttbar+jet resonance

- Search for a heavy new particle M produced in association with a top quark:
- $$p\bar{p} \rightarrow Mt \rightarrow \bar{t}qt$$
- Resonance in the system t+jets or ttbar+jets
 - Select events in lepton+jets channel with at least 5 jets and 1 b-tag

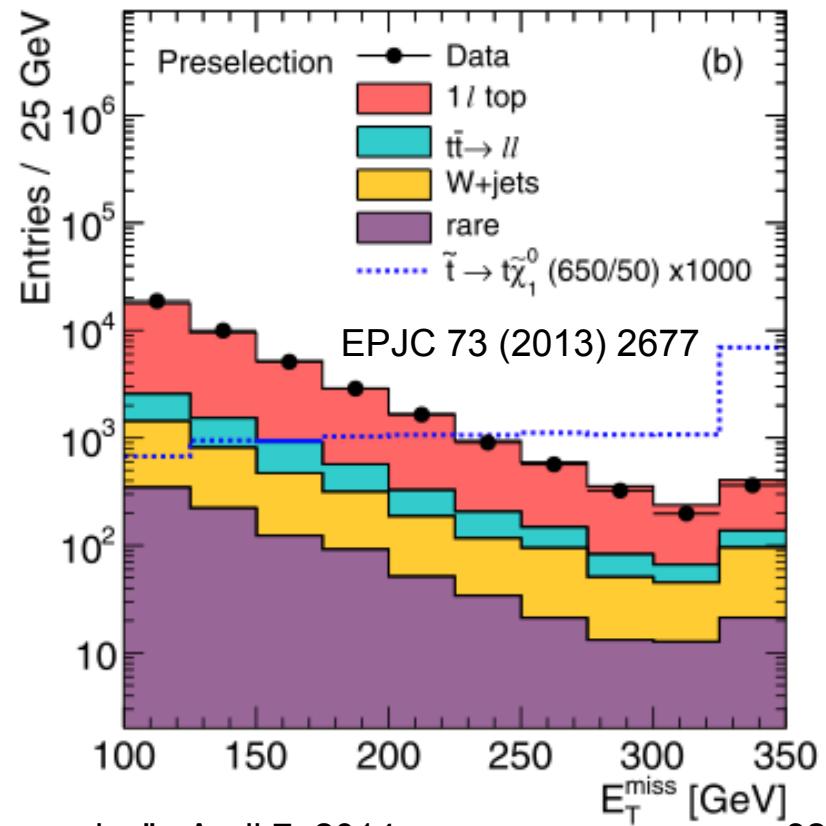
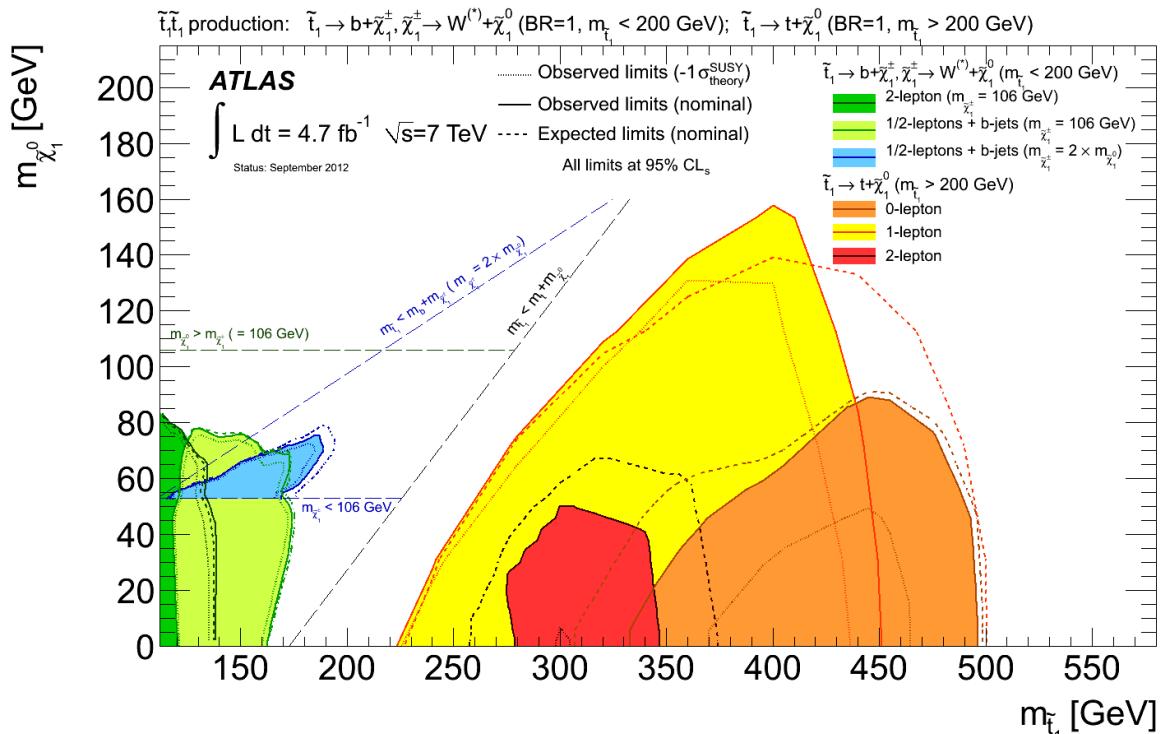


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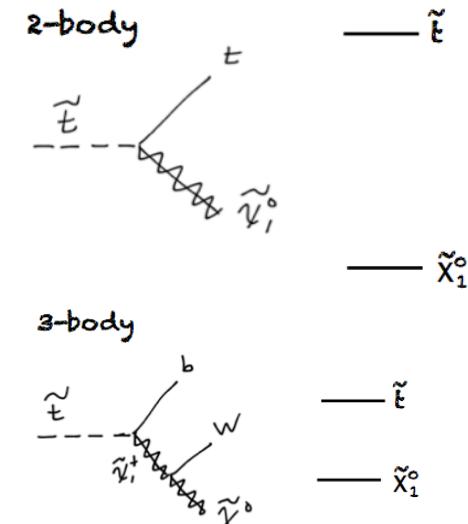
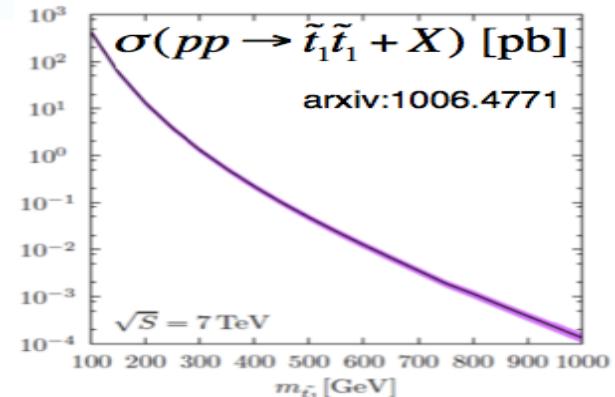
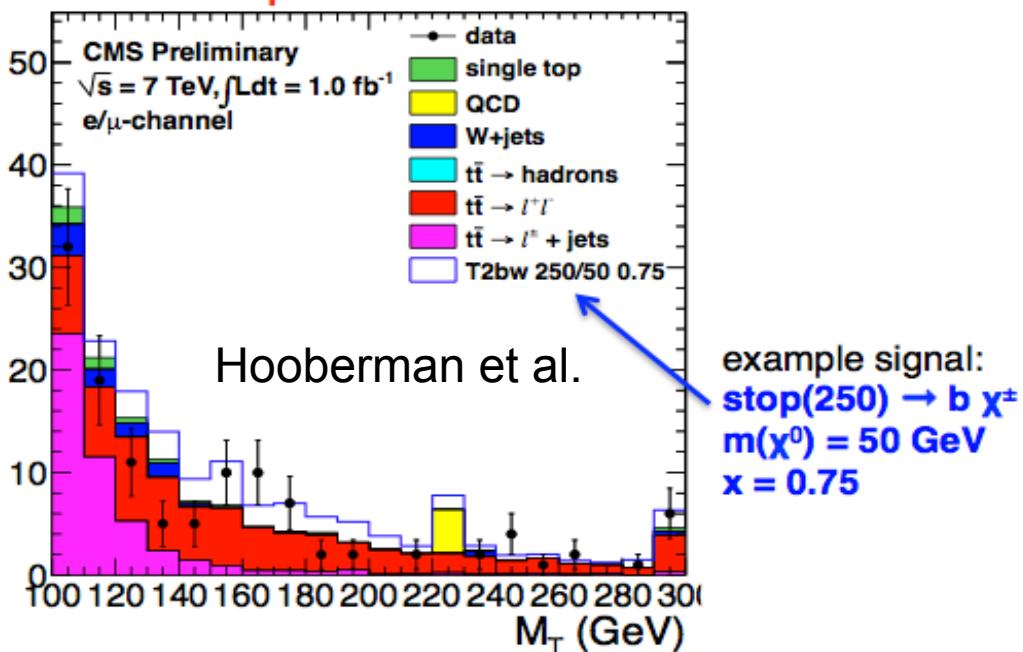


SUSY: search for scalar top

$$\tilde{t}\tilde{t} \rightarrow t\bar{t} \chi^0 \chi^0 \quad \tilde{t}\tilde{t} \rightarrow b\bar{b} \chi^+ \chi^- \rightarrow b\bar{b} W^+ W^- \chi^0 \chi^0$$

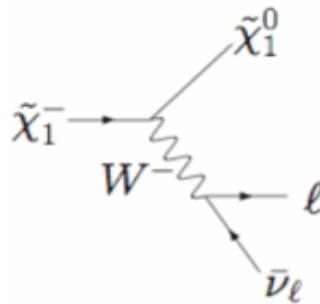
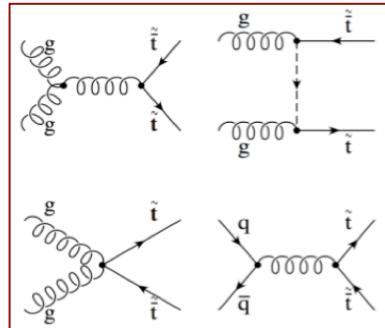
- Status:

- Final state: both dileptons and 1lepton+MET +2jets+2b jets
- limitations due to small xsec, large ttbar background



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i.e. similar signature as in ttbar

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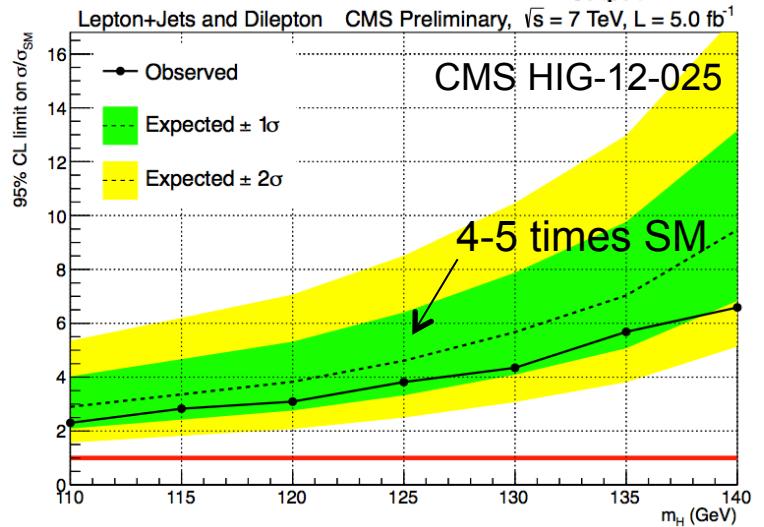
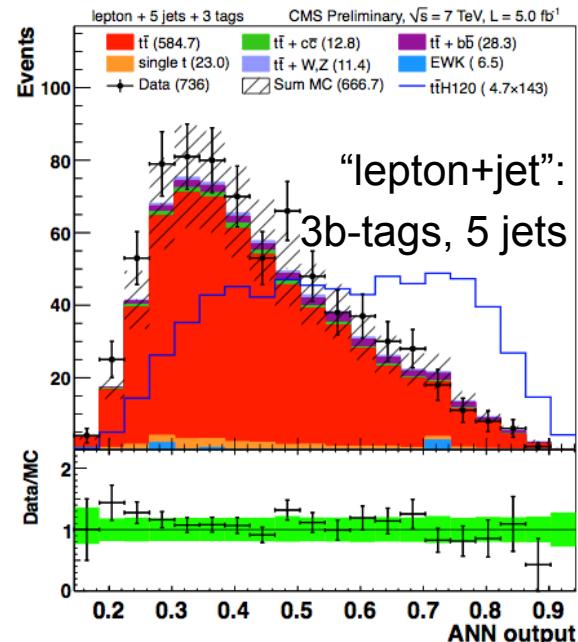
$$m_{\tilde{t}_1} \lesssim m_t \quad \tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow b + \tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \rightarrow b + \tilde{\chi}_1^0 + \nu + \ell$$

- Heavy stop:

$$\tilde{t} \rightarrow t \tilde{\chi}^0$$

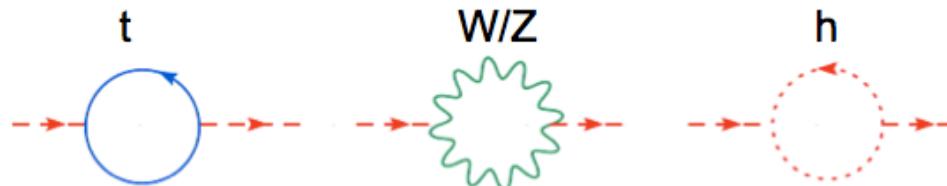
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 - ATLAS results only for l+jets ($\sim 11 \times$ SM)
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 - different categories: jet and b-jet multiplicity
- Use ANN to discriminate S and B
 - b-tagging information provides best discrimin.
- Main background: ttbar(+bbar), Z+jets



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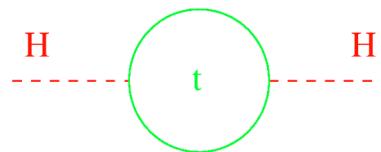
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Beyond the Higgs boson

- “low” value of Higgs mass is a **problem**
- Virtual SM particles in quantum loops contribute to the Higgs mass
- Contributions grow with Λ (upper scale validity of the SM)
- Λ could be huge, i.e. the Plank scale (10^{19} GeV)
- Ad-hoc cancelations are needed to keep the Higgs mass below < 1 TeV

“Naturalness” problem:

- Radiative corrections



$\delta m_H^2 \sim \Lambda^2 \Rightarrow$ diverge for large Λ
 \Rightarrow fine tuning!

“Hierarchy” problem: why $M_{EW}/M_{Pl} \sim 10^{-17}$?

Beyond the Higgs:

New physics beyond the Standard Model is very likely Supersymmetry, hidden dimensions of space-time, ...

Search for Dark Matter with taus

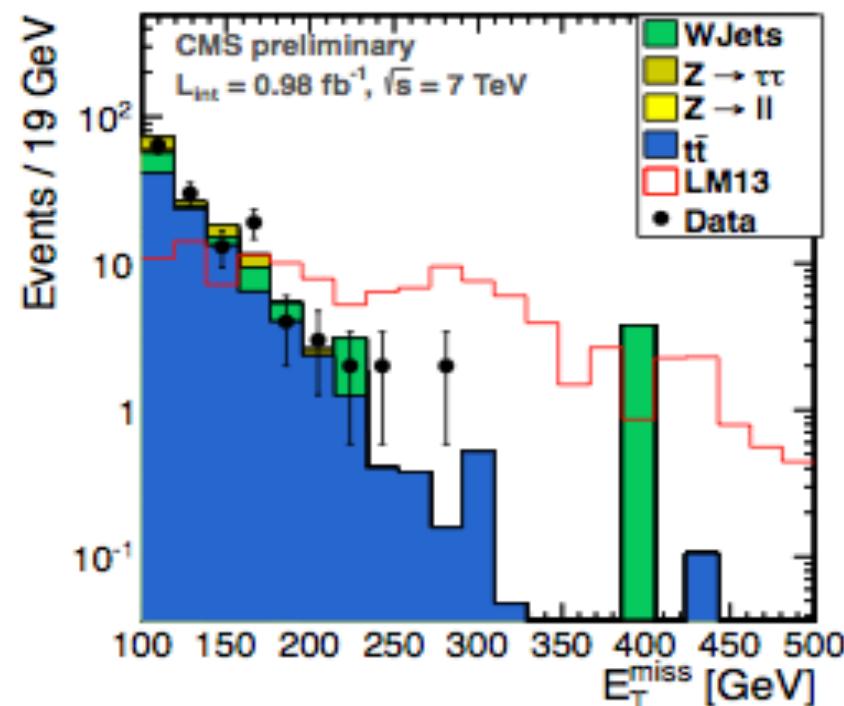
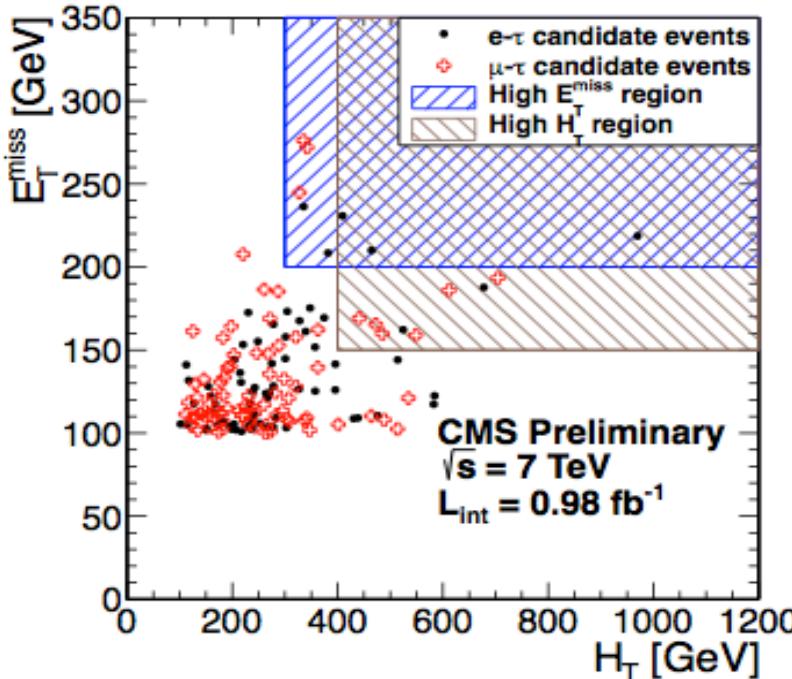
- search concentrates on heavy BSM particle production

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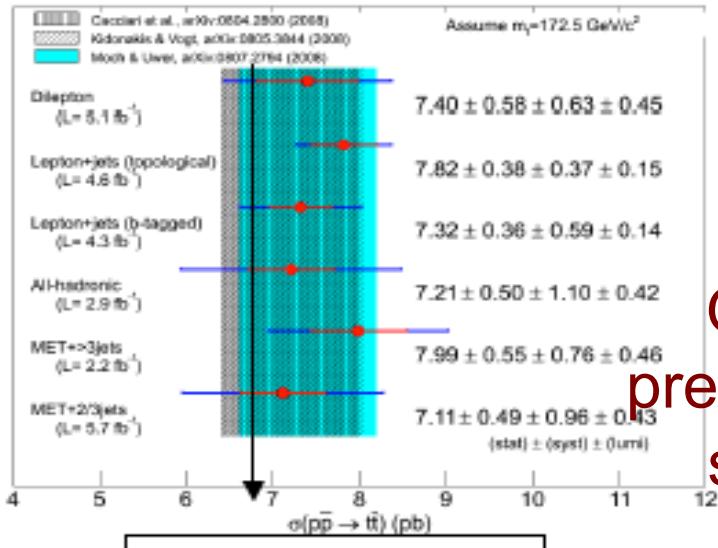
- astrophysical evidence for dark matter points to the existence of weakly-interacting massive particles (WIMPs) at EWSB scale
 - These particles escape detection \Rightarrow large MET

- Not constrained to a specific theory

- general BSM search in events with jets, MET, and OS dileptons (at least one tau)
 - $e\tau_h, \mu\tau_h, \tau_h \tau_h$ final states



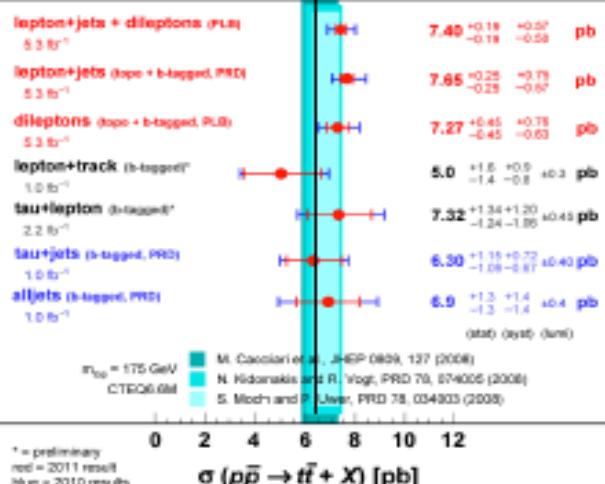
Cross section measurements



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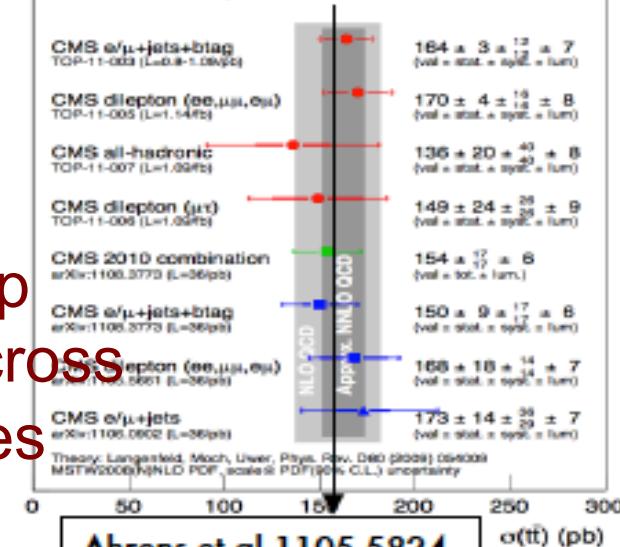
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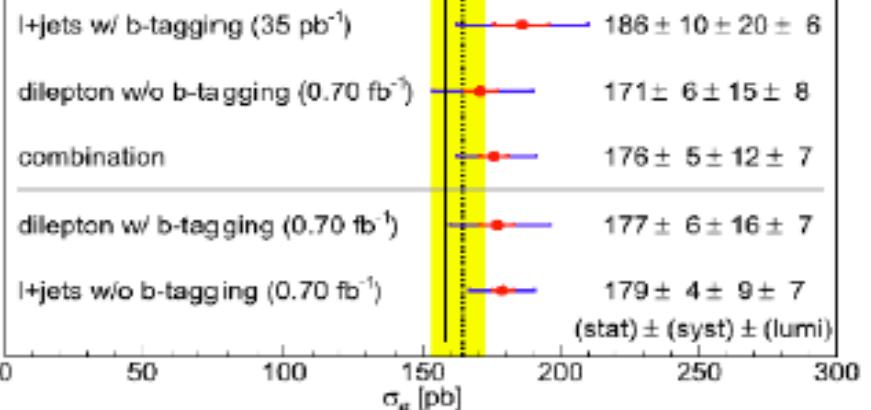
One th. group
predicts lower cross
section values

CMS Preliminary, $\sqrt{s}=7 \text{ TeV}$



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ATLAS private



Charged Higgs

This study focuses on the mass range $100 \leq H^+ \leq 160 \text{ GeV}/c^2$, where we may observe an anomalous excess of events in the τ dilepton channel when compared to the SM decay of $t\bar{t} \rightarrow W^+ W^- b\bar{b} \rightarrow \tau\nu_\tau l\nu_l b\bar{b}$, $l = e, \mu$.

If top decays: $t \rightarrow H^+ b$ ($m_H < m_t - m_b$)

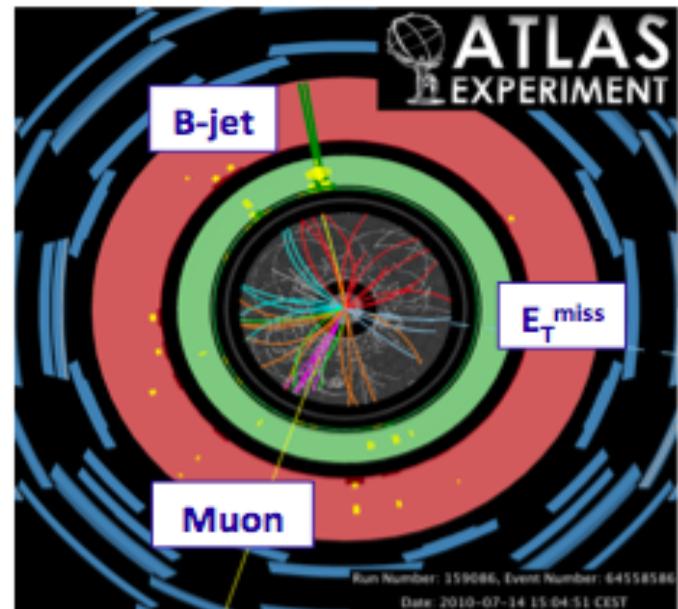
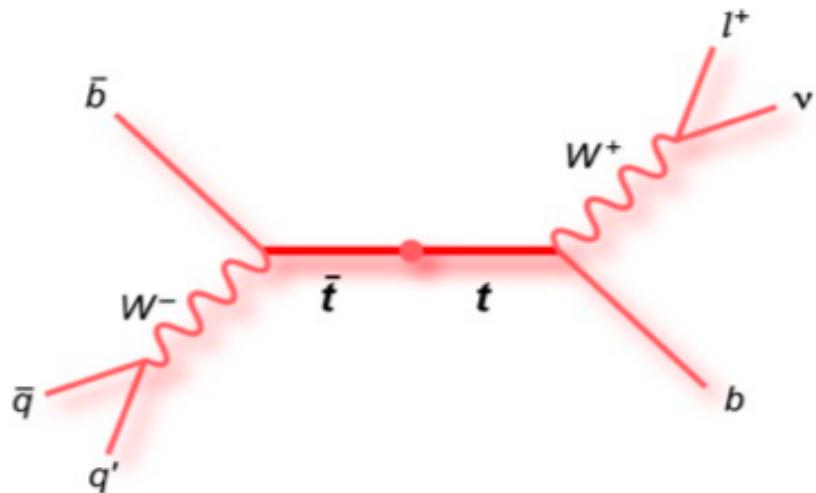


Implies a larger measured cross section (see MG, Lecture #6)

⇒ probe non-standard physics ($t \rightarrow H^\pm b, \dots$)

Lepton+jet channel

- Best channel (for now) to measure top quark mass
- Compromise between large branching ratio ($BR=30\%$) and a good background rejection
- Well defined final state (1 lepton, one neutrino, 2 b-jets, $W \rightarrow q\bar{q}'$)



Top as a calibration tool

- Top quarks can be used as calibration tool
 - Top mass, W mass, b/q jets
 - can determine:
 - b-tagging efficiency
 - jet energy scale
- ...or alternatively...*
- use b-tag as a probe
 - compare rates in different b-tag multiplicity bins
 - is the signal, ttbar or not?
 - BSM may appear in the sample and “distort” the distribution

