Top quark: properties and beyond

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- Mass, Vtb, taus
- Spin correlation
- Charge asymmetry
- Boosted topology
- Searches for New Physics


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- Top pair production at the Tevatron
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- (differential) cross section

- Mass, heavy flavor content, taus
- Search for top partners and 4^{th} generation quarks
- Search for ttbar resonances
- Spin correlation, charge asymmetry

today

- Single top production
- Flavor Changing Neutral Currents (FCNC)

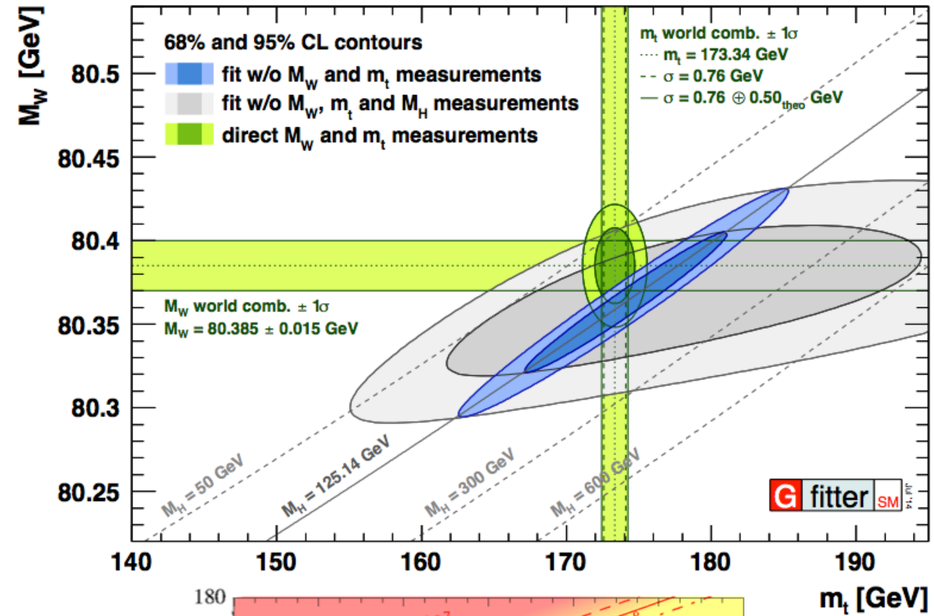
Top quark mass

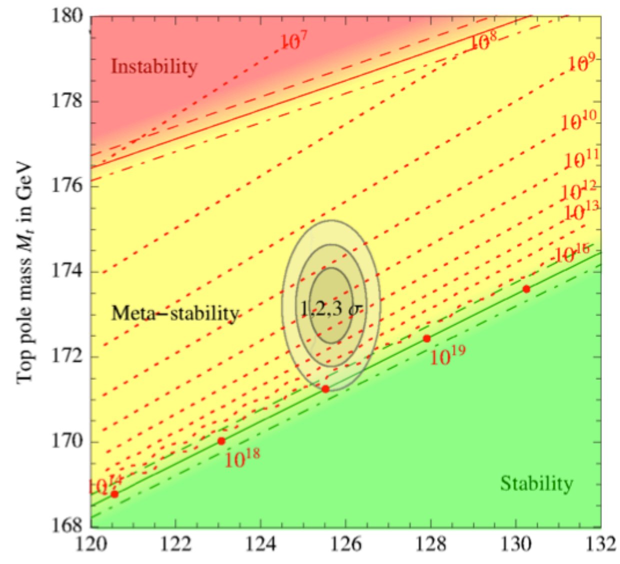
Top quark mass: why do we care?

- Top quark mass is a fundamental parameter of the SM

$\delta m_W \propto m_t^2$ $\delta m_W \propto \log m_h$

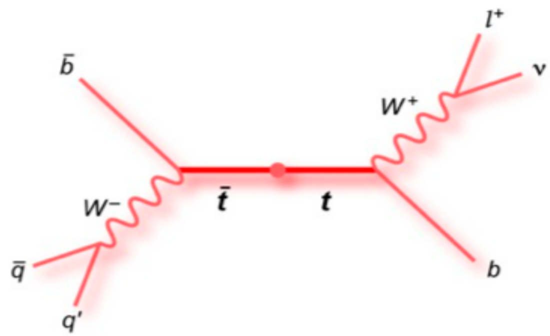
- Top is the only fermion with the mass of the order of EWSB scale
- Discovered Higgs boson fits well with precise determinations of m_W and m_{top}
  - Highly fine-tuned situation
  - ~1GeV is all it takes to tip the scales
- Run2 will likely allow for discrimination between SM and MSSM scenario
- The fate of the Universe might depend on Δm_{top}~1 GeV





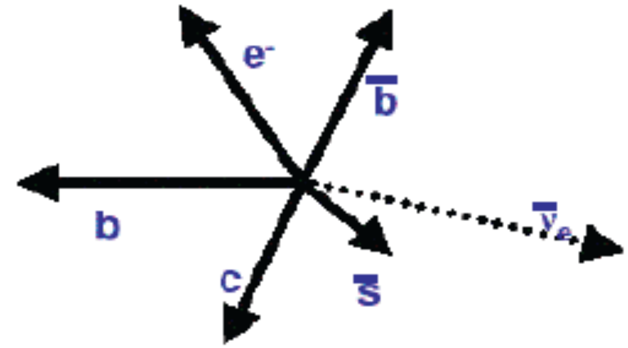
Measuring the top mass

- It is challenging

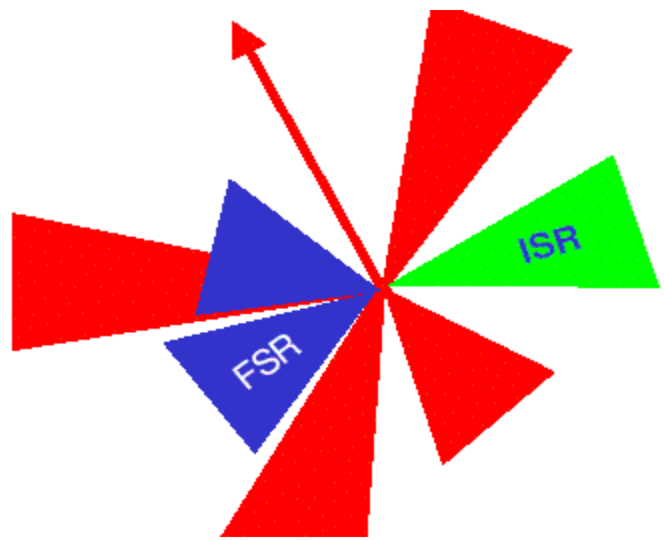


- Lepton+jets
  - Undetected neutrino
    - P_x and P_y from E_T conservation
    - 2 solutions for P_z from $M_W=M_{l\nu}$
  - Combinatorics (leading 4 jets)
    - 12 possible jet-parton assignment
    - 6 (with 1 b-tag)
    - 2 (with 2 b-tags)
  - ISR+FSR
- Dileptons
  - Two undetected neutrinos
  - Less combinatorics (only 2 jets)

LO final state:

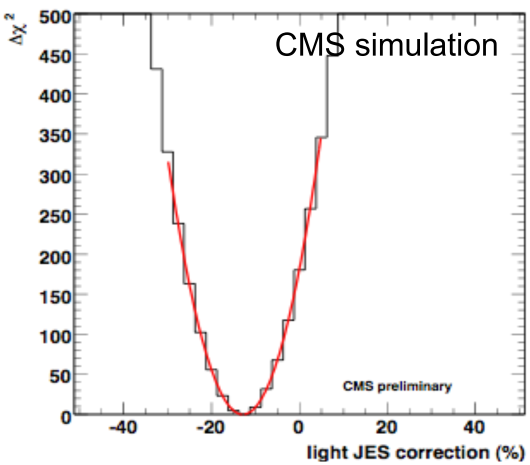


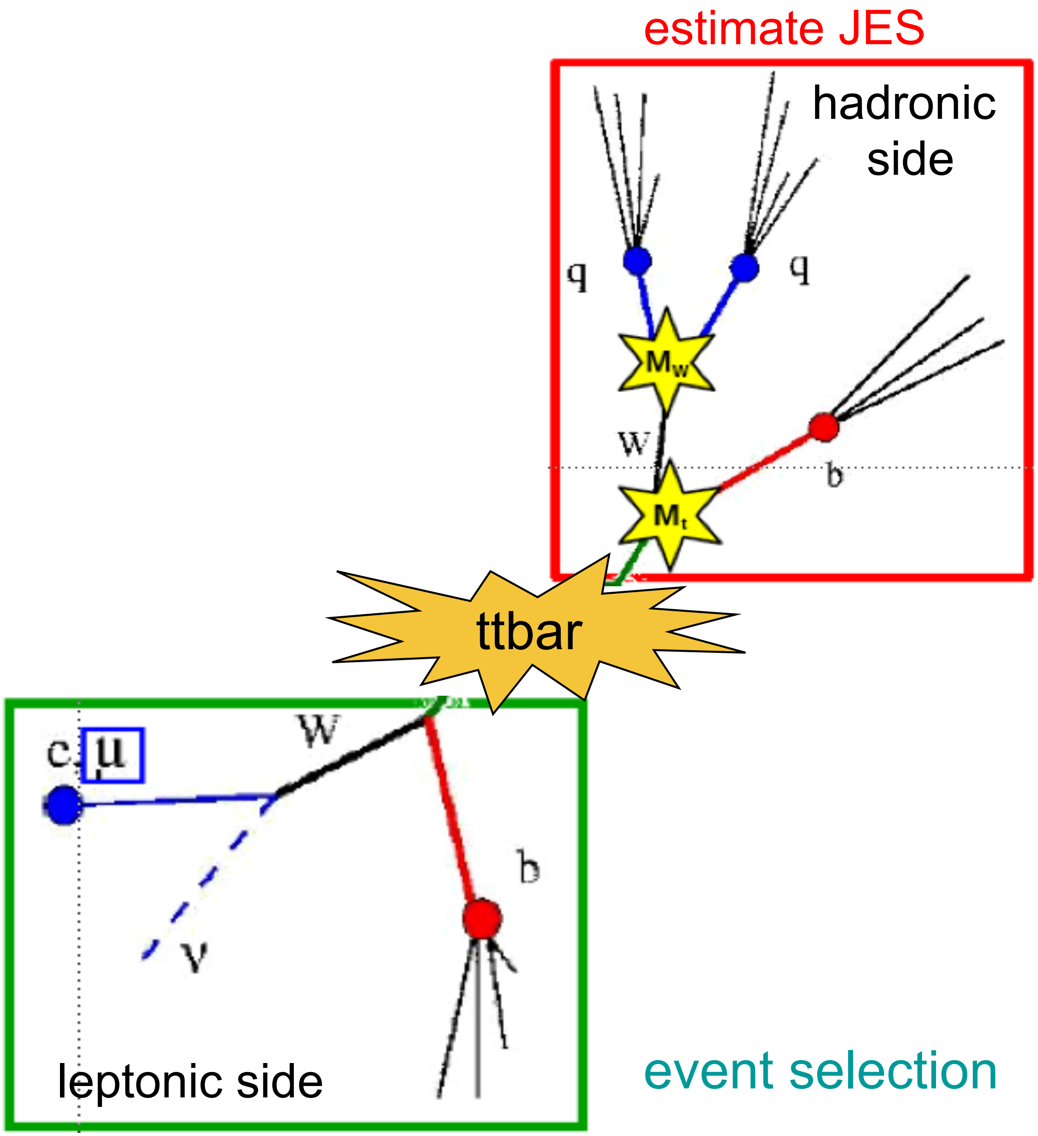
experiment sees:



Jet energy correction from Top

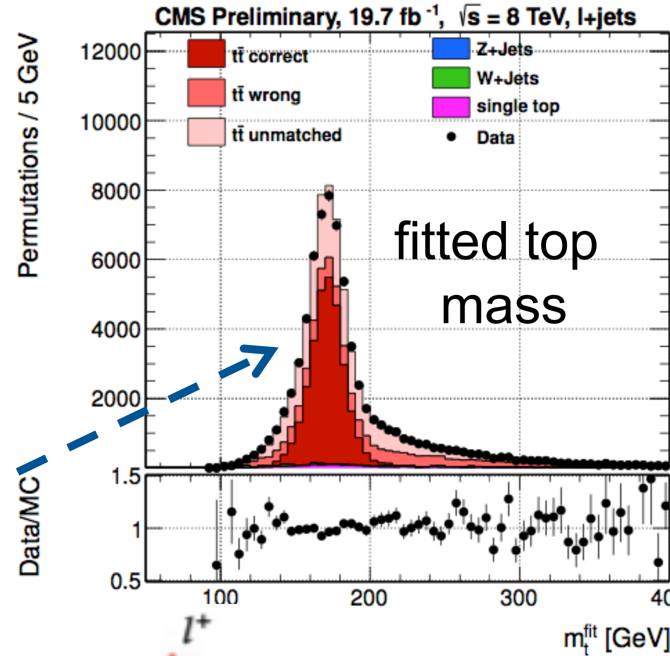
- Use semi-leptonic events
  - –1 isol μ (p_T>30 GeV)+≥4 jets (40 GeV)
- Estimate jet energy corrections by applying event-by-event kinematical fit to W and top quark masses
- Likelihood is used to assign jets
- Kinematical fit returns $P(\chi^2)$
- Find best JES by minimizing χ^2

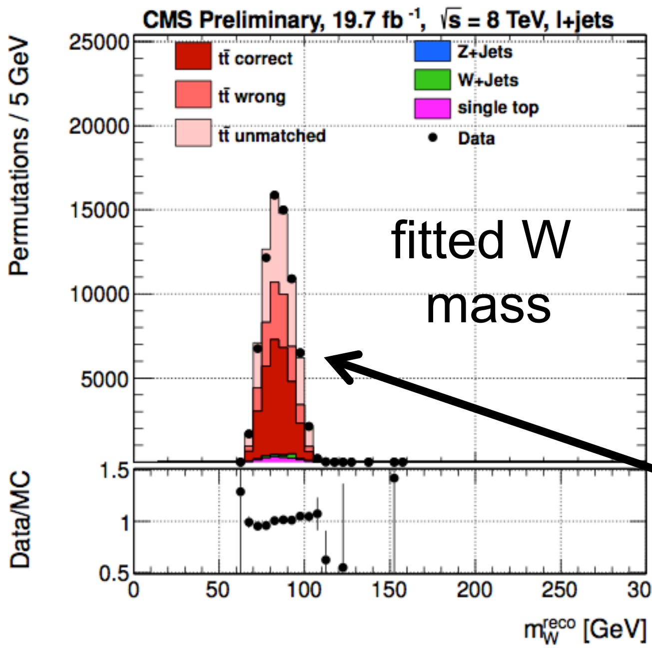


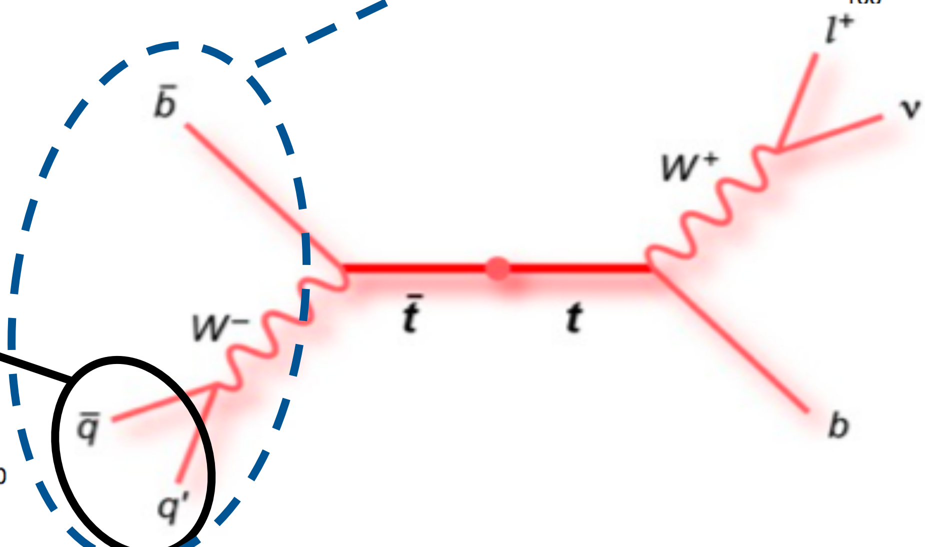


Lepton+jet channel

- Well defined final state
  - one lepton, one neutrino, 2 b-jets, W→qq ‘
- Compromise between large branching ratio (BR=30%) and a good background rejection



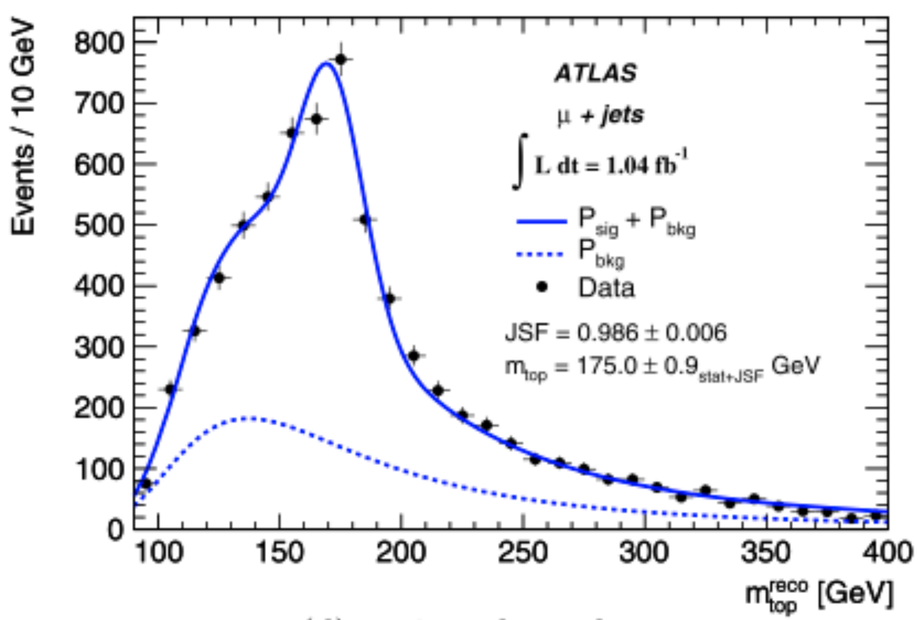




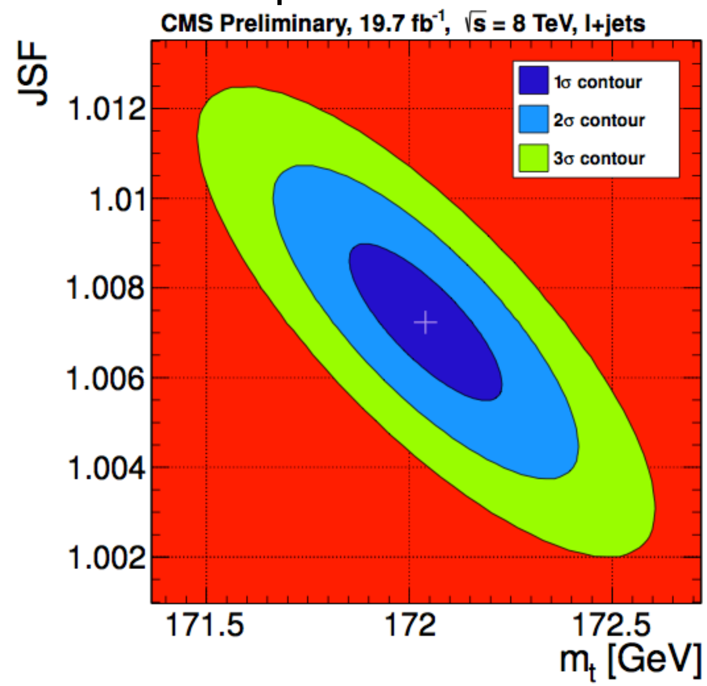
Lepton+jet channel

- in-situ calibration of the light quark JES from W→ qq'

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



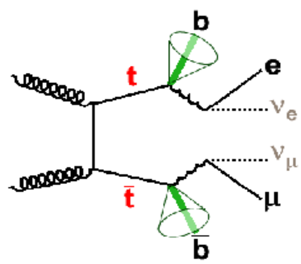
CMS: kinematic fit + "ideogram" method combine event-per-event likelihood

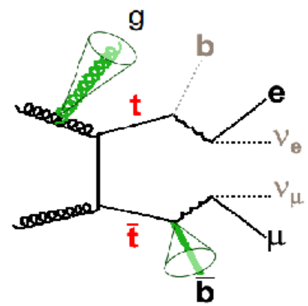


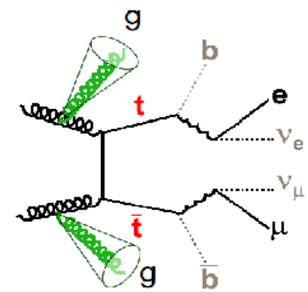
⇨m_{top}=174.4 ± 0.6 (stat) ± 2.3 (syst) GeV	EPJC C72 (2012) 2046
172.0 ± 0.2 (stat) ± 0.8 (syst) GeV	CMS PAS-TOP-14-001

±0.4%

Dilepton channel: challenges



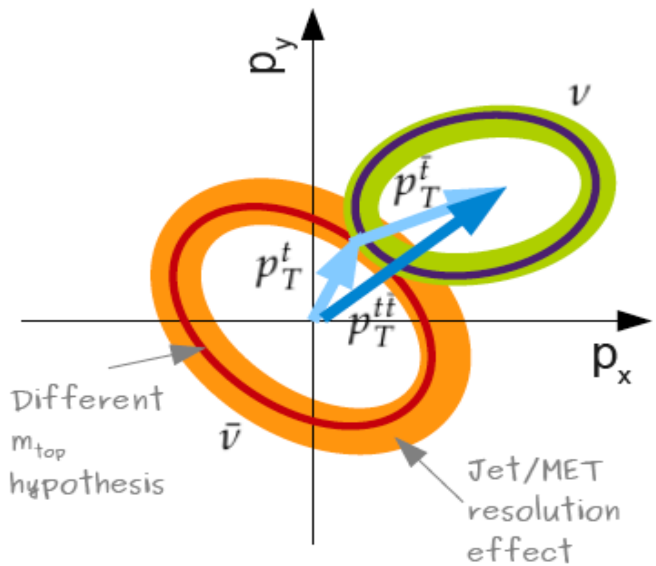




- Combinatorics
  - Identify top quark decay products
  - Ambiguity
  - ISR/FSR introduces further complexity for selection

  (~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 ⇒ $\vec{E}_T^{miss} = \vec{p}_T^{\nu} + \vec{p}_T^{\bar{\nu}}$



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

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

Top mass: Reconstructed mass

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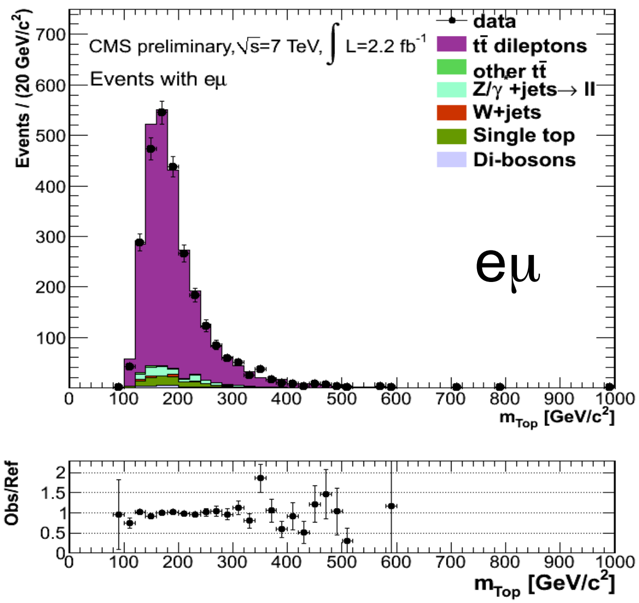
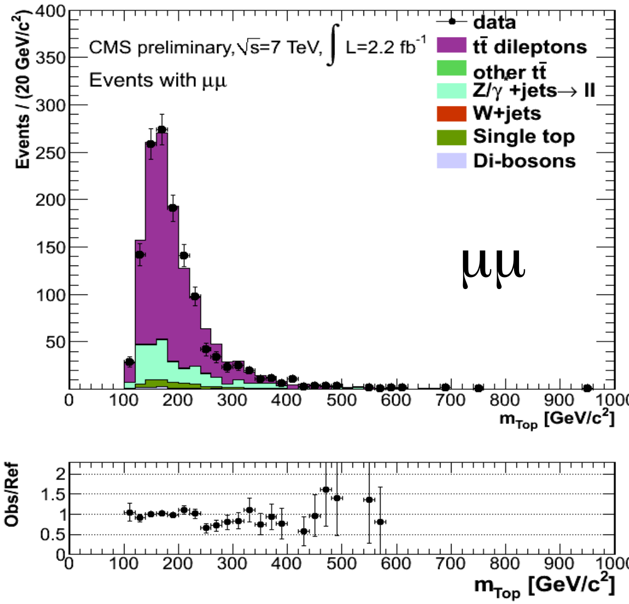
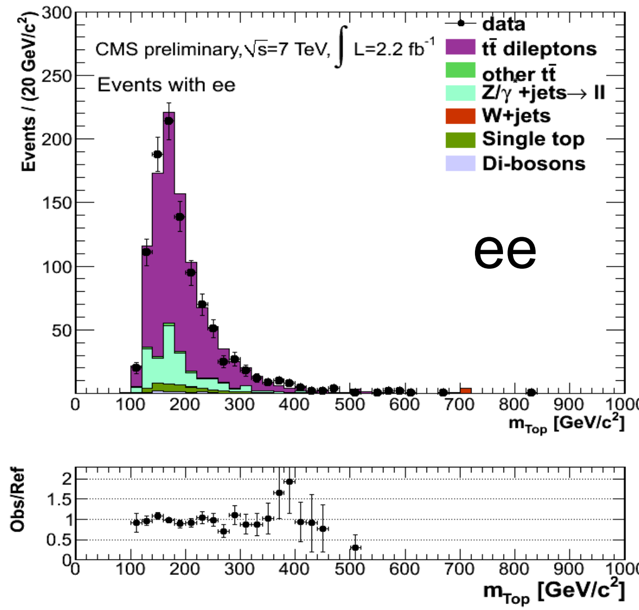
CMS-PAS-TOP-11-016

- Select events
- Reconstruct mass

Process	Pre-selection	KINb	=1 b-tag	$\geq$ 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	-
$Z/\gamma^* \to \ell\ell$	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

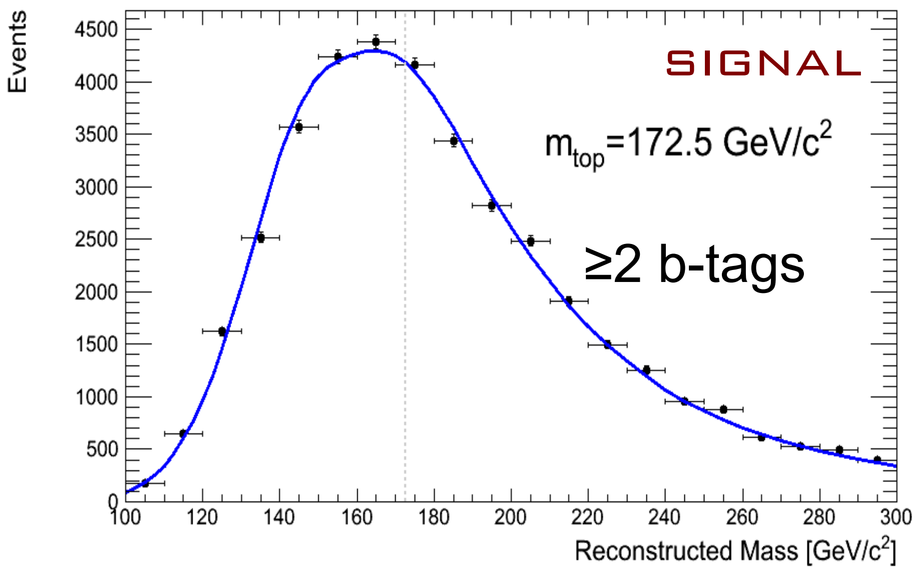




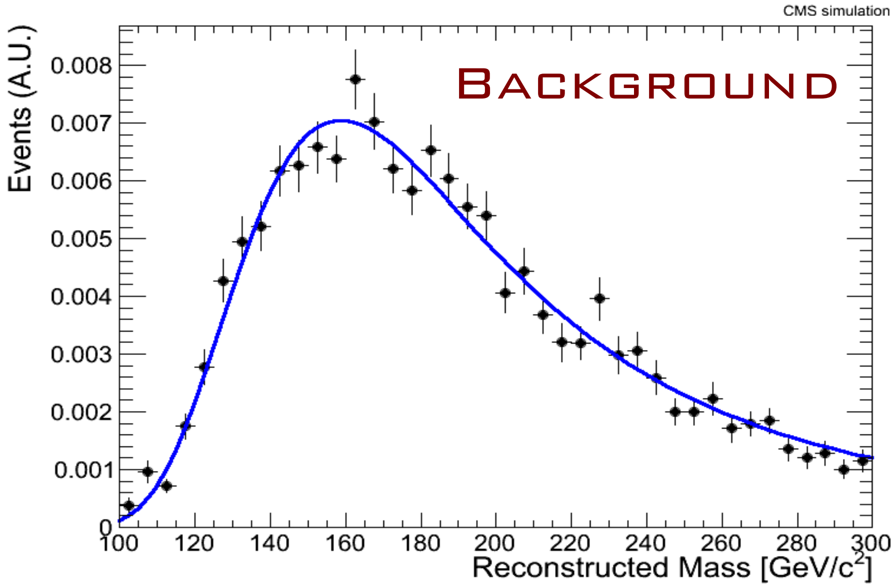


Signal and background

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

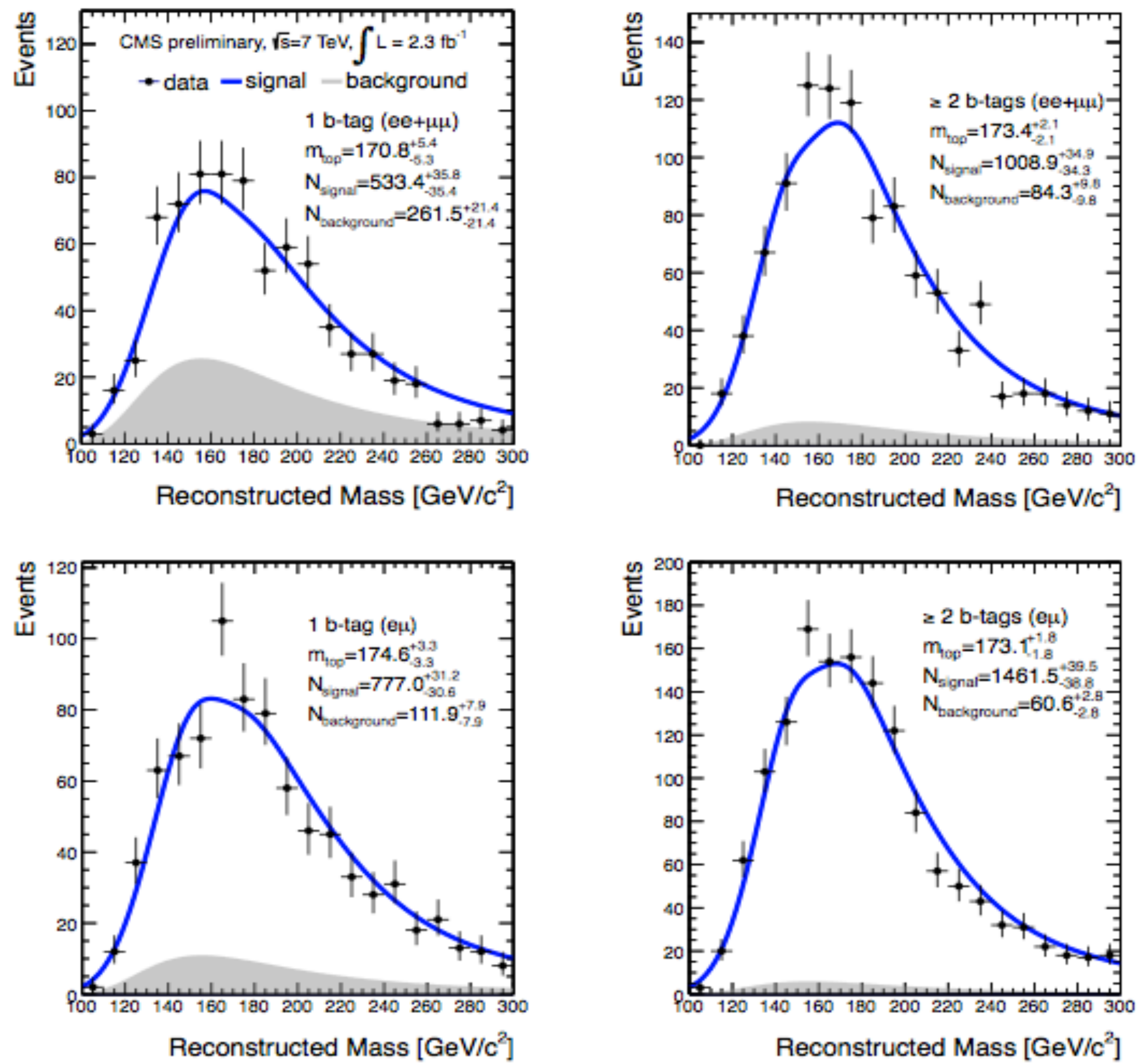


- Background component in the mass spectrum modelled with data +simulation
- Fit: Landau



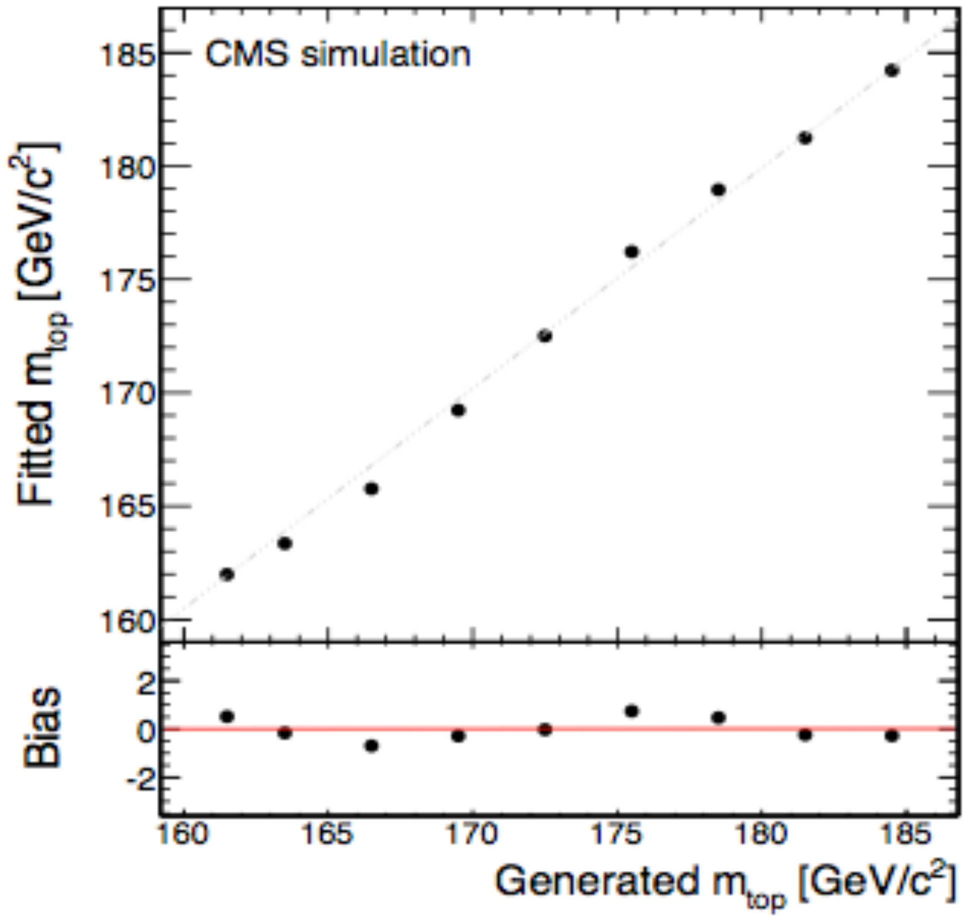
Reconstructed mass

- 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

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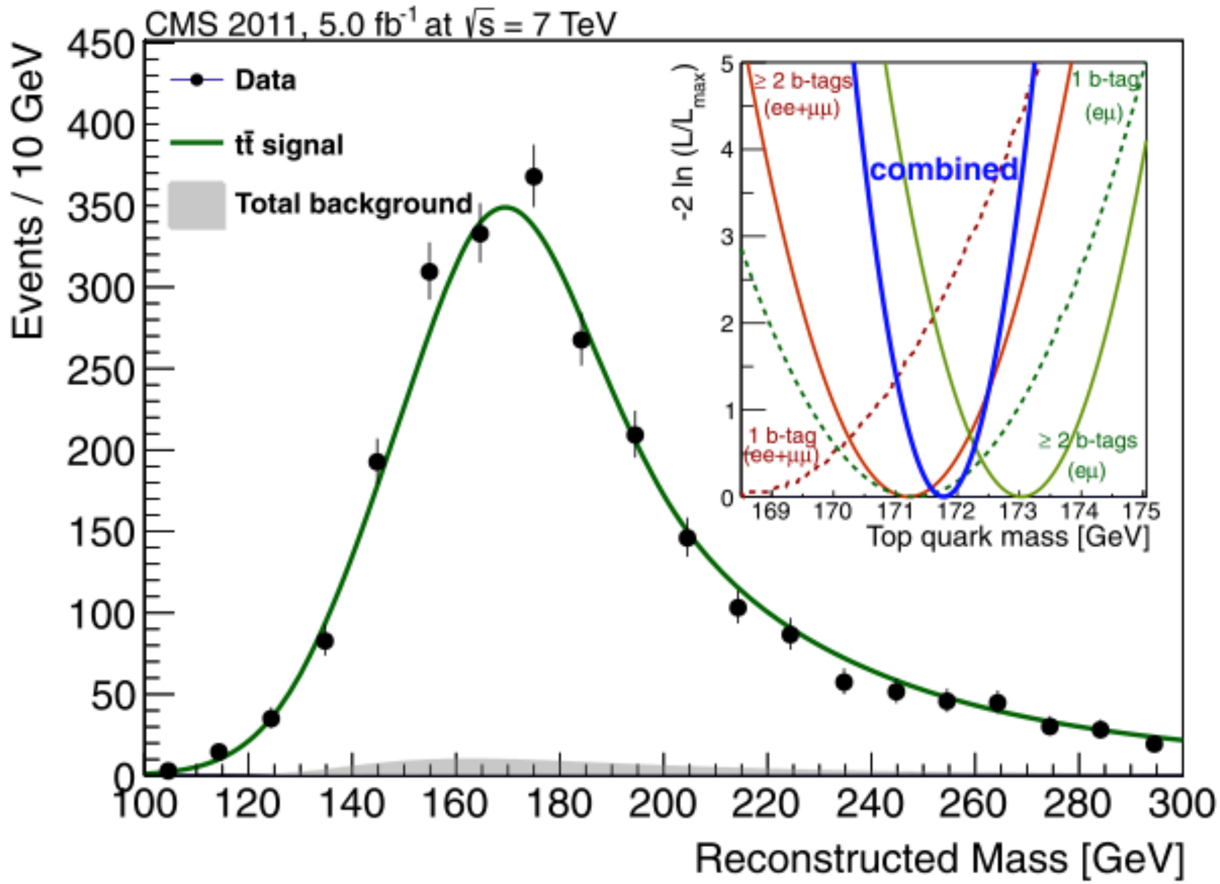
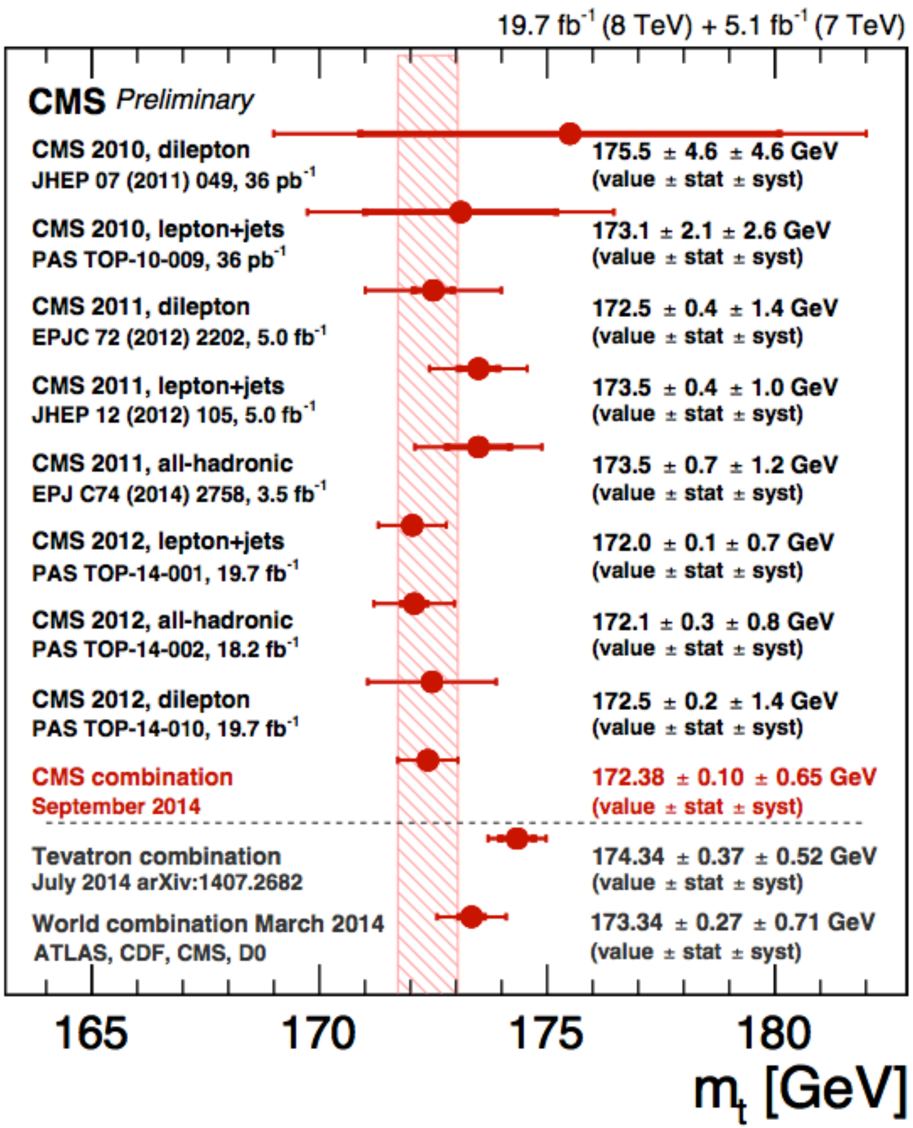
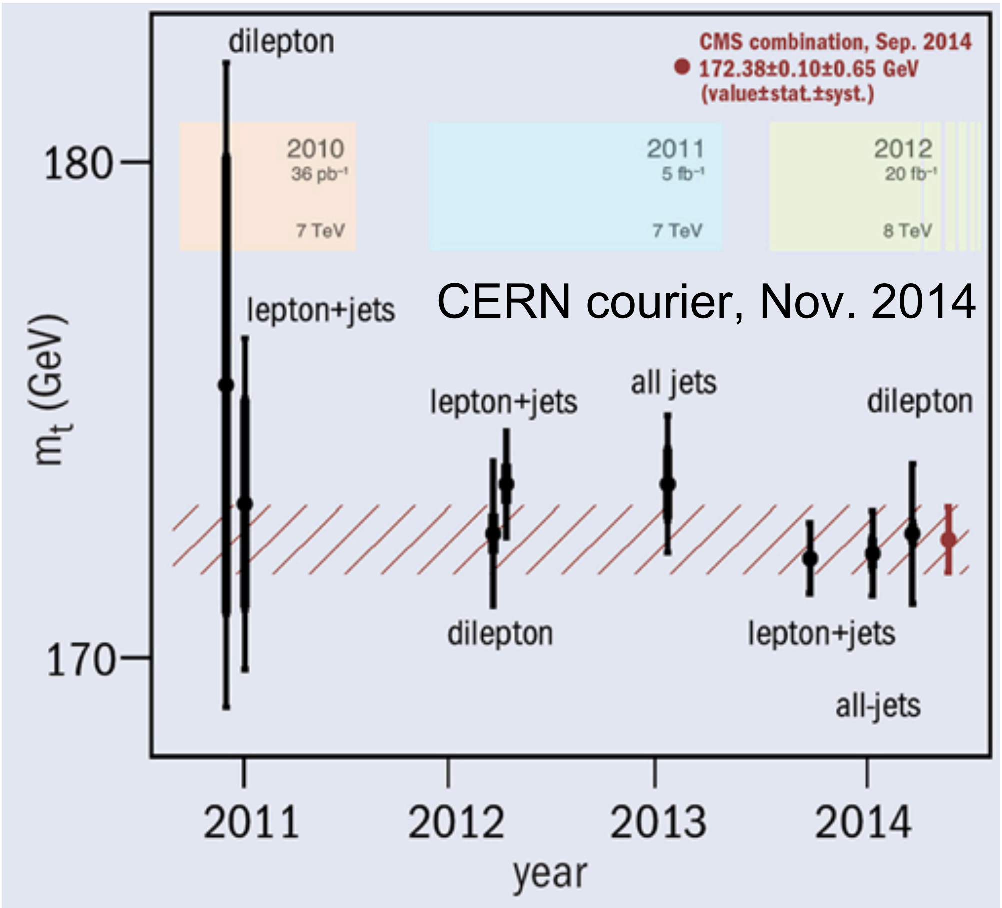


$$m_t = 172.5 \pm 0.4\ (\text{stat.}) \pm 1.5\ (\text{syst.})\ \text{GeV}$$

CMS mass combination

CMS-TOP-14-015





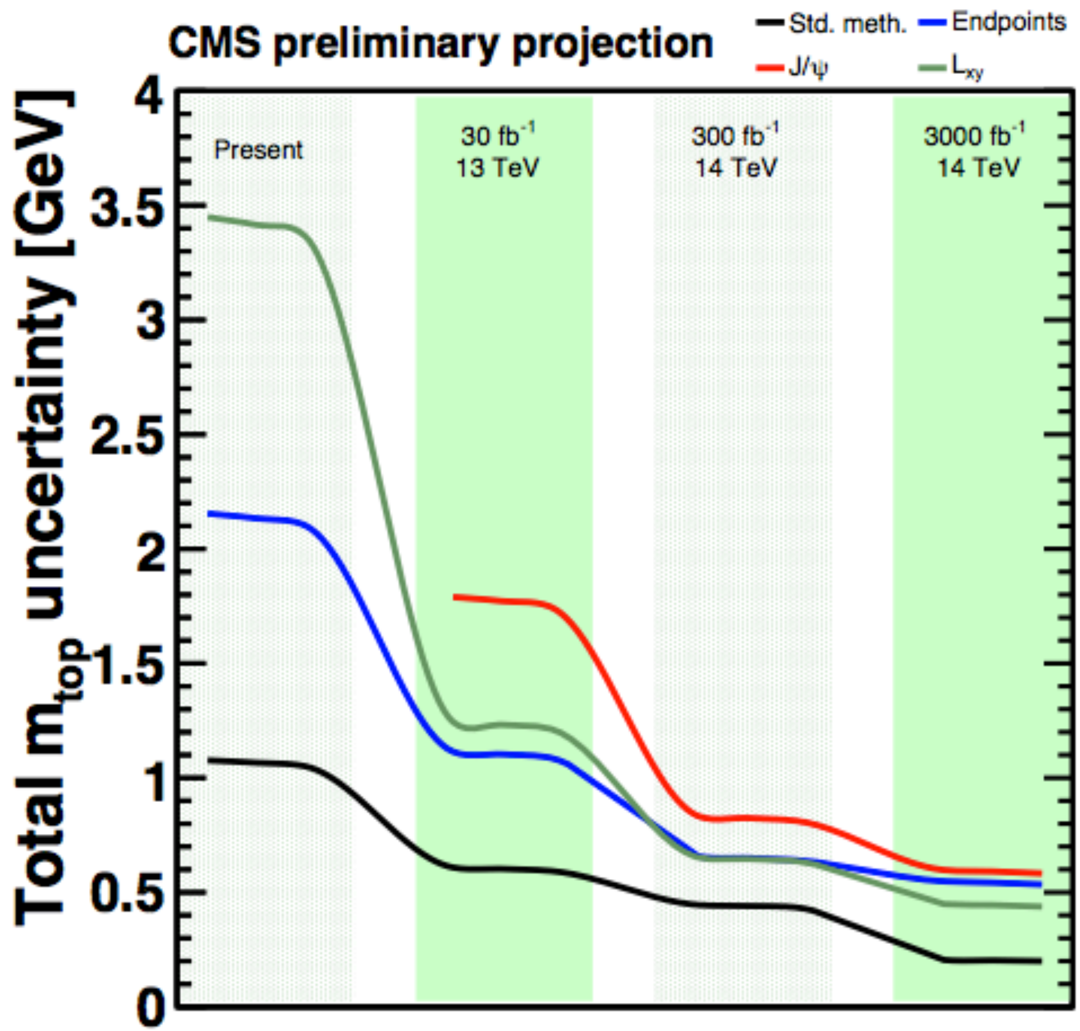
$$\boxed{m_t = 172.38 \pm 0.10\,(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.65\,(\text{syst.})\,\text{GeV}}$$

±0.38%

Mass: Run 2 and beyond

CMS-FTR-13-017

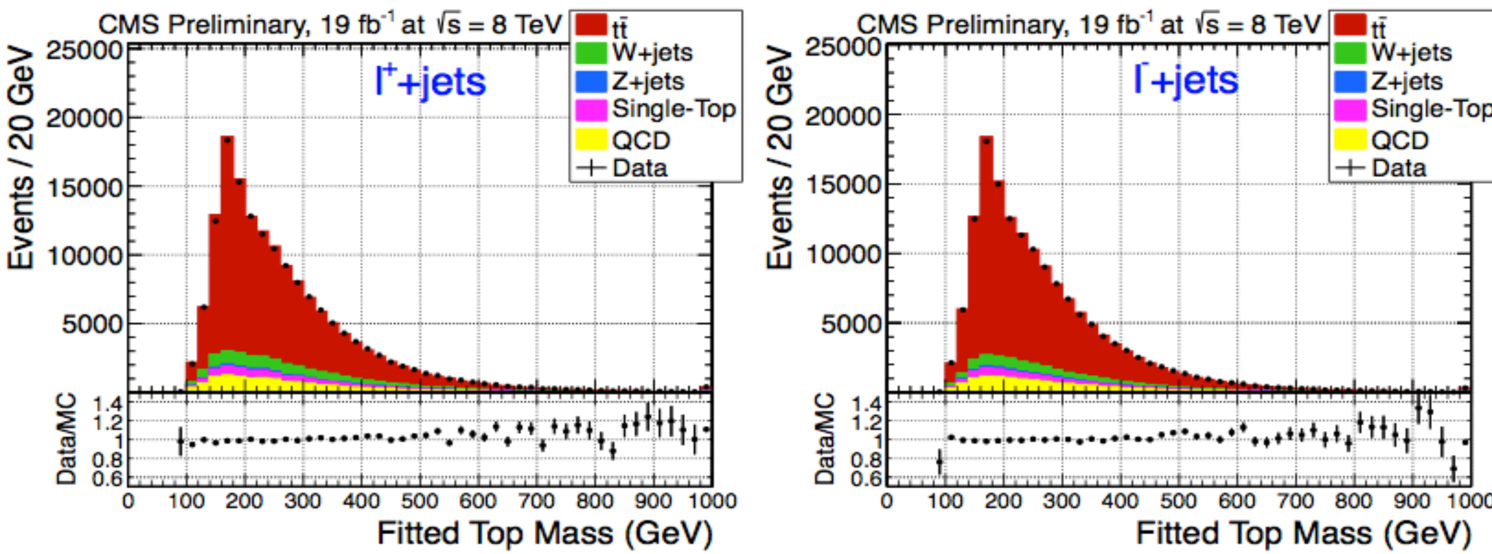
- Might be able to measure m_{top} with a precision of 200 MeV
- Differential study of m_{top}
- Differential cross sections with full NLO tools
- No truly dominant systematic uncertainty
- b-fragmentation studies
  - Measure in-situ in ttbar events
- Interpretation will require theory understanding improvement



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

CMS-PAS-TOP-12-031



Dominant systematics:
- b vs bbar jet response
- signal fraction
- b vs bbar tagging

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

Top mass from cross section

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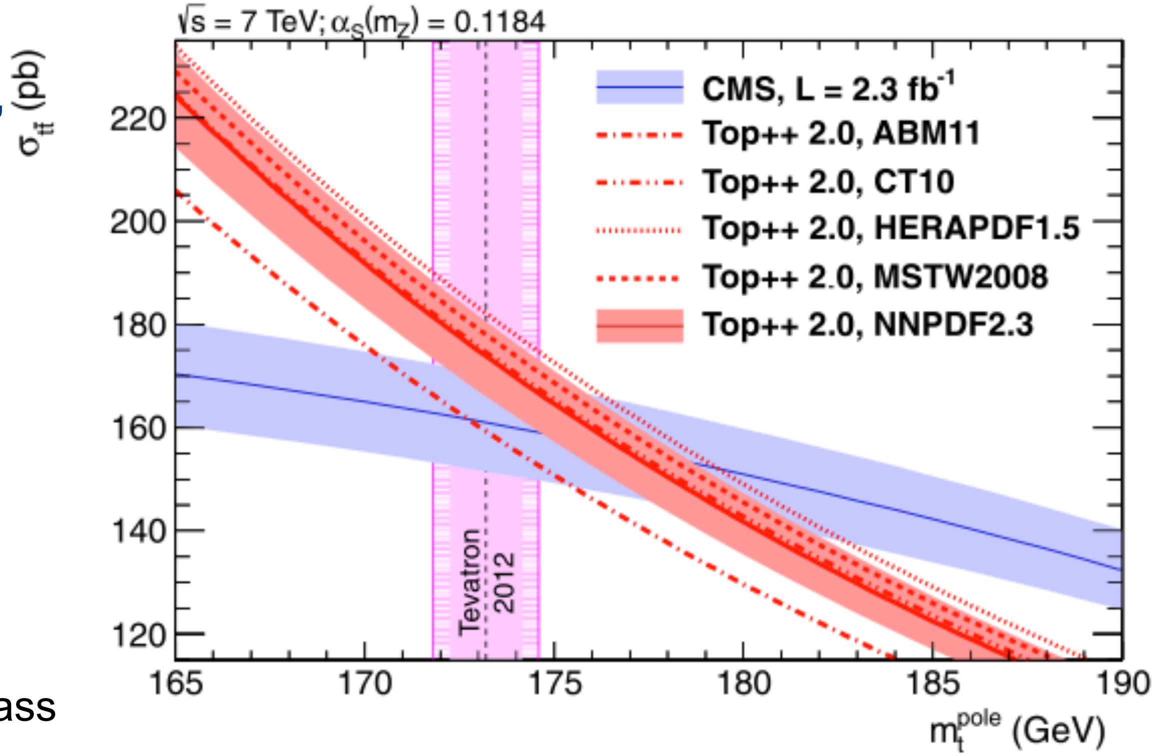
- Direct m_{top} measurements rely on details of kinematics, reconstruction, calibration
- Extract mass from cross section
  - determine top quark pole mass using the experimental ttbar production cross section
- Comparatively large systematics
- Pole mass vs reconstructed mass
- Results consistent with standard measurements and EWK fits
  - Constrain α_S at the scale of the Z boson mass and derive m_{top}^{pole}
  - Constrain m_{top}^{pole} to the measured value and derive α_S

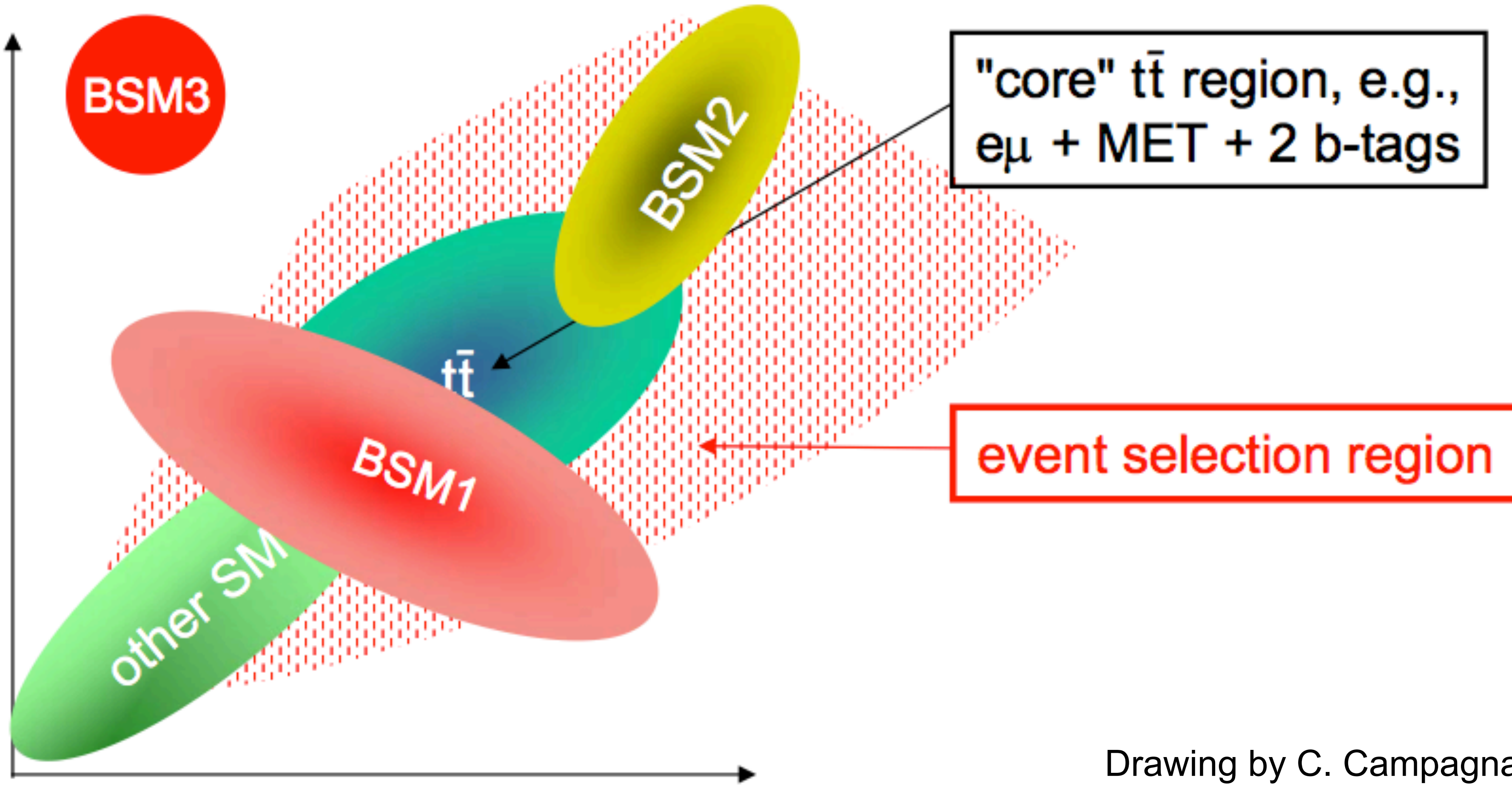


$$\alpha_S(m_Z) = 0.1151^{+0.0033}_{-0.0032}$$

$$m_{top} = 176.7^{+3.8}_{-3.4}\ \text{GeV}$$

⇒It works but the uncertainty is large

Not just cross sections



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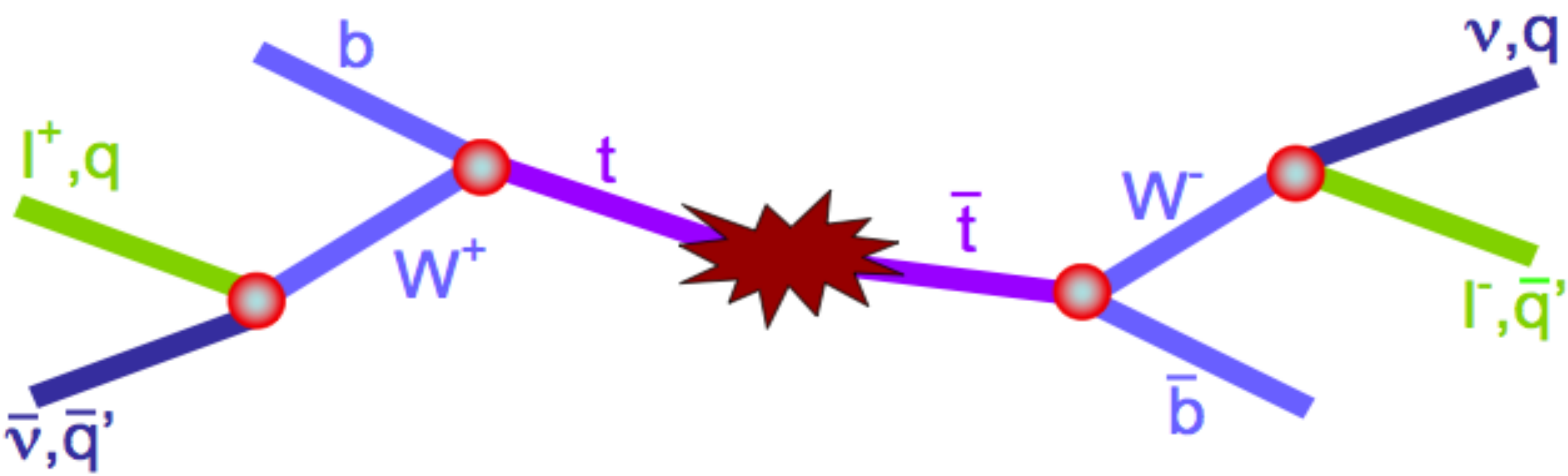
Interesting physics with Top quark



PRODUCTION
Cross section
Resonances X→tt
Fourth generation t'
Spin-correlations
New physics (SUSY)
Flavour physics (FCNC)
...

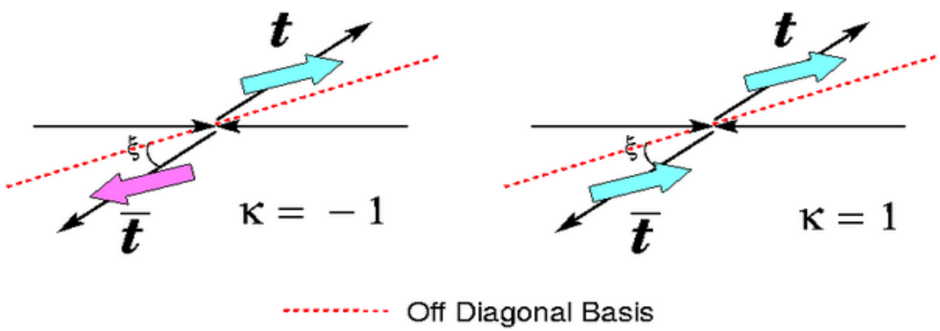
PROPERTIES
Mass
Kinematics
Charge
Lifetime and width
W helicity
Spin
...

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

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 (τ~10^{-25} sec) ⇒ spin information transmitted to the decay products (W boson, b quark)
- Spin correlation depends on the production mode

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



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

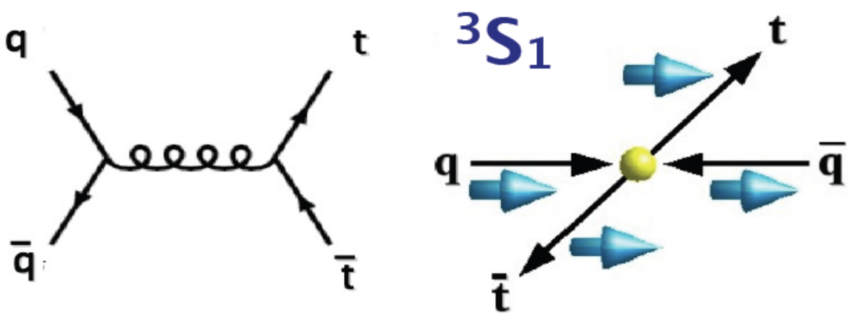
- Analyze spin using angular distributions of decay products
  - θ_1 and θ_2 are the angles of decay products wrt a “quantization axis”
  - value of κ depends on spin basis (for example, off-diagonal vs maximal)

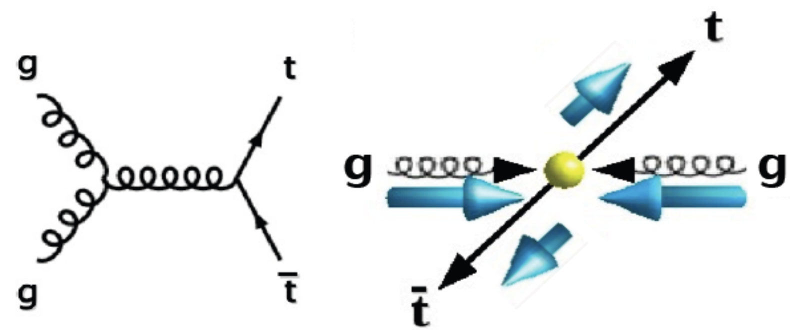
Spin correlation

- 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

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





Tevatron

- 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
- optimised "off-diagonal" basis

LHC

- 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

Bernreuther, Brandenburg, Si, Uwer, Nucl. Phys. B690, 81 (2004)

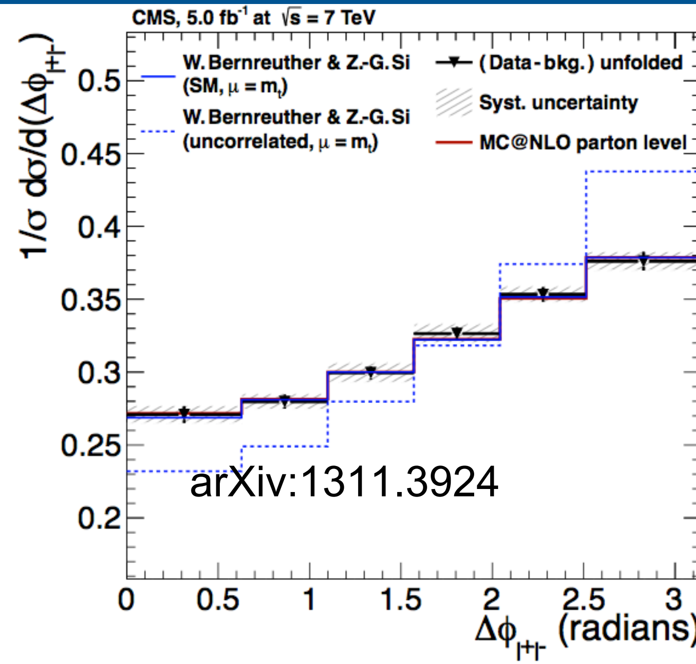
complementary between Tevatron and LHC

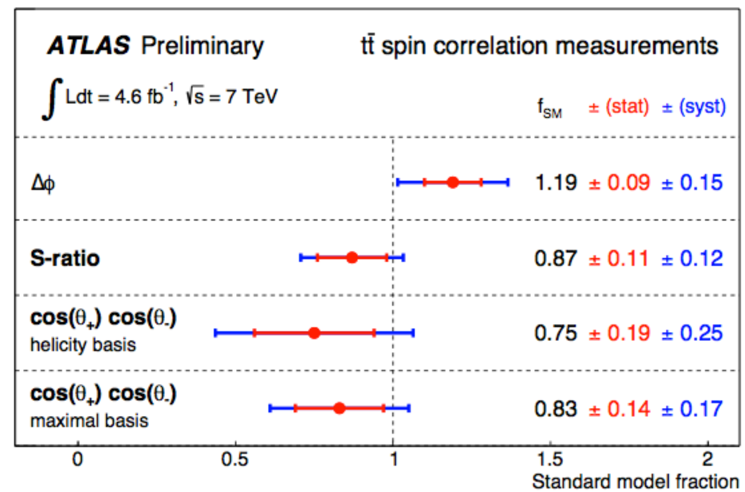
Spin correlation

- 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





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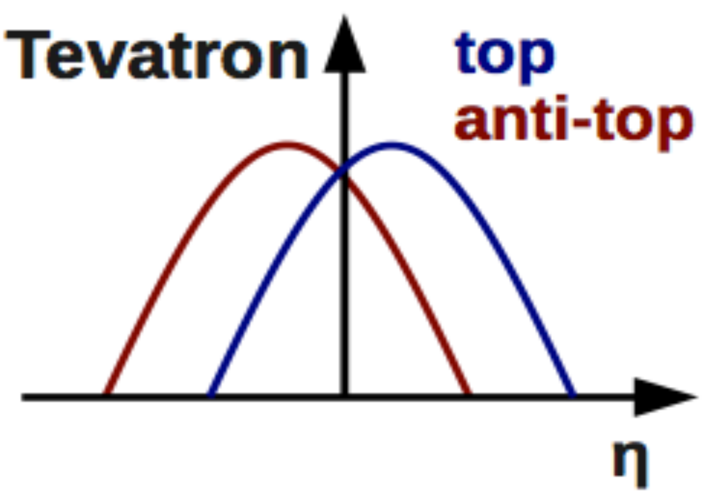
Charge asymmetry

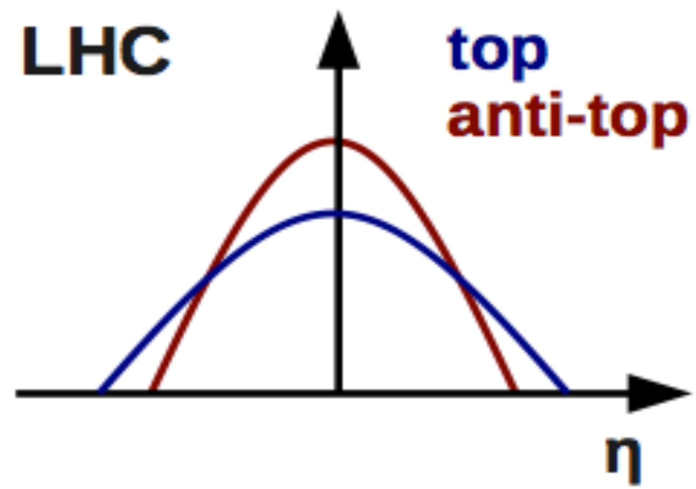
- In qqbar→ttbar (Tevatron): top quarks are emitted in the direction of the incoming quark, anti-top quarks in the direction of the incoming anti-quark
- No FB asymmetry in gg→ttbar (LHC)

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?

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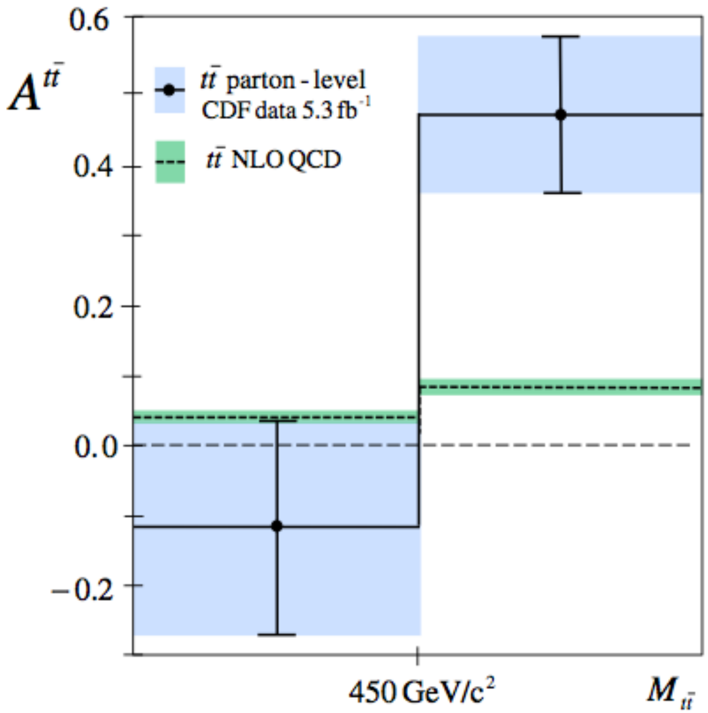
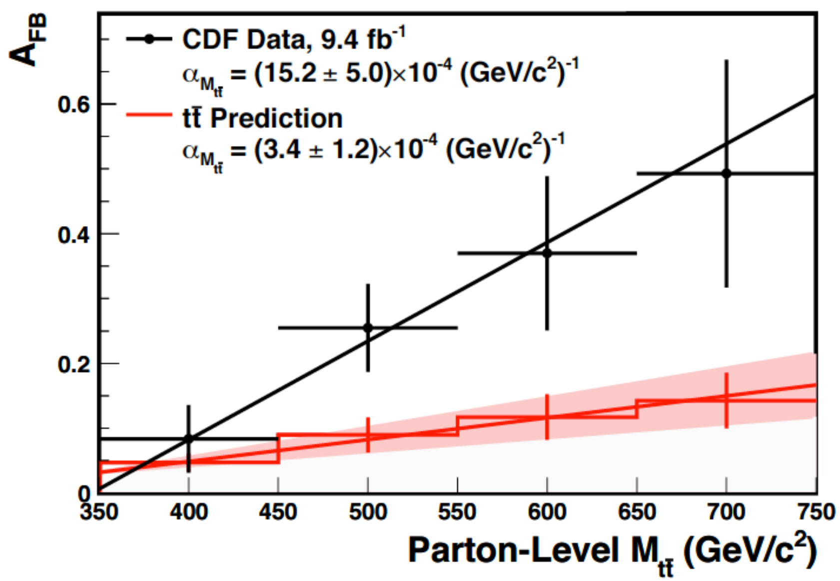
D0: PRL 100(2008)142002
CDF Note 10807



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

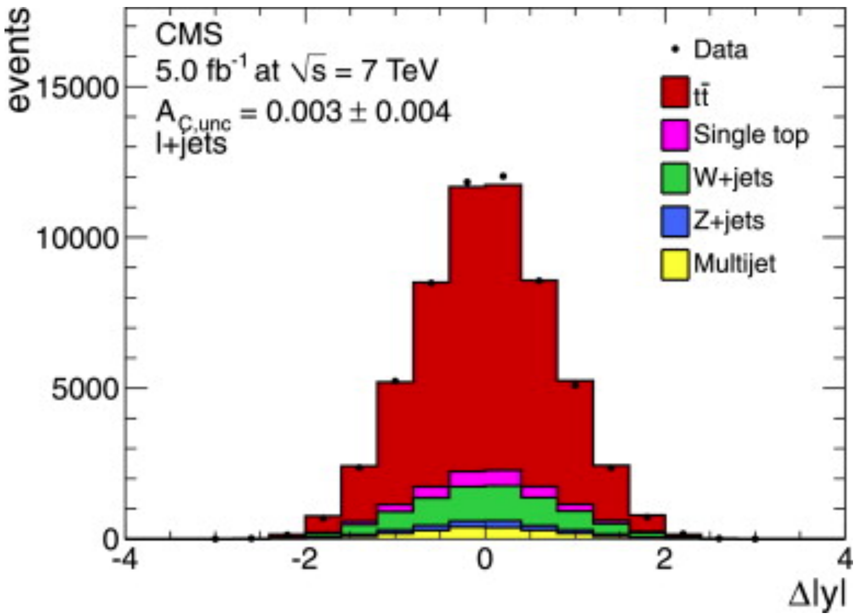


Charge asymmetry at LHC

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

$N^+(N^-)$: 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]



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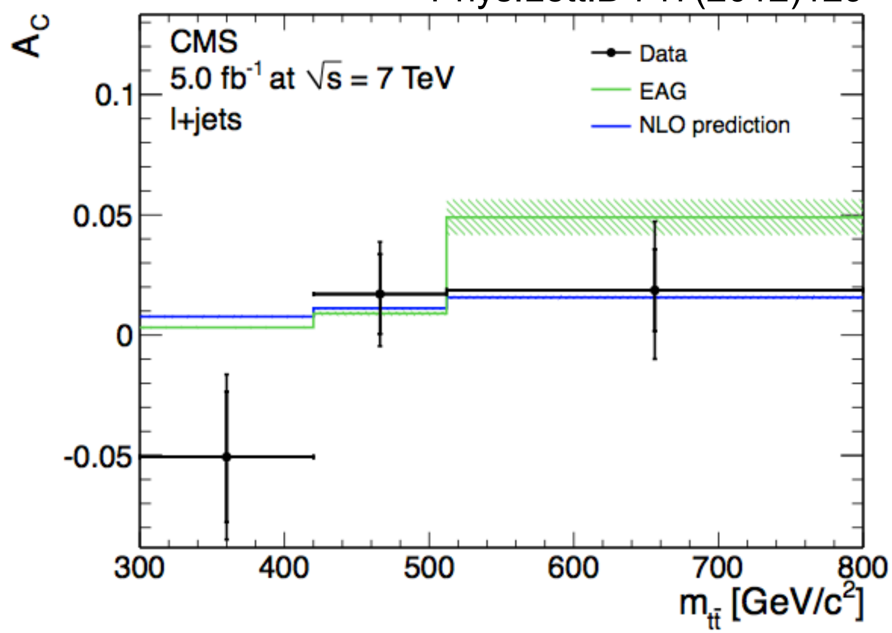

⇒Good agreement between data and SM expectations

Constraints on New Physics

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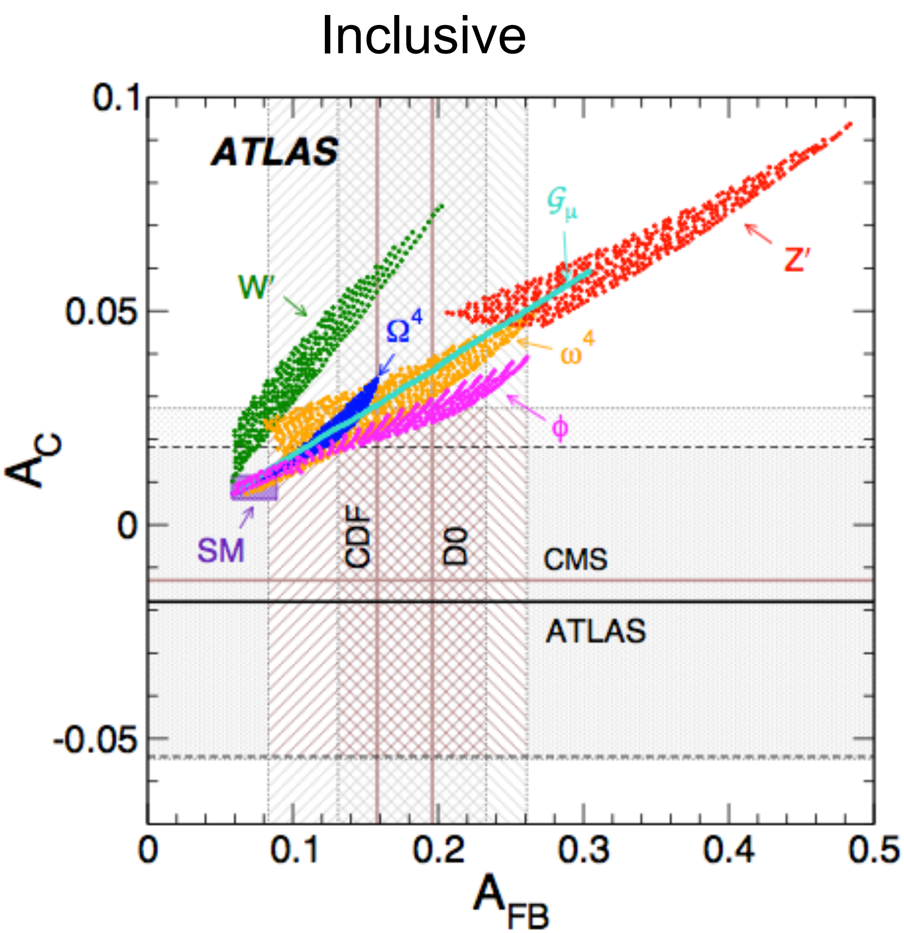
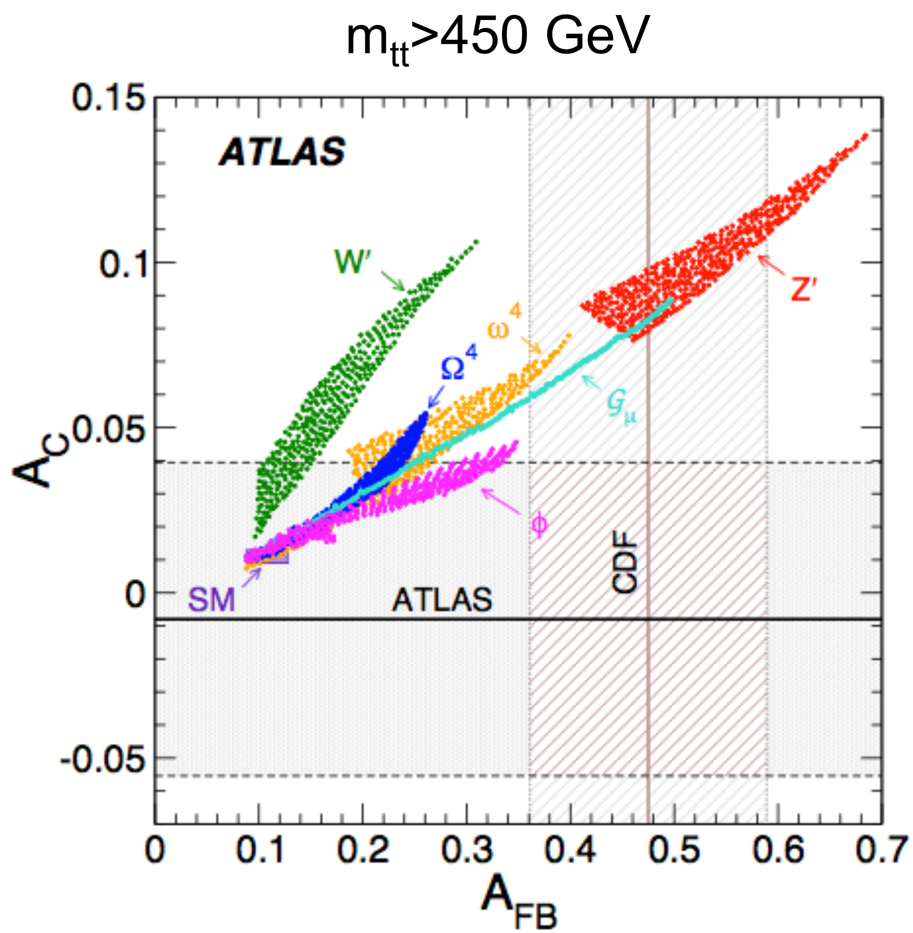
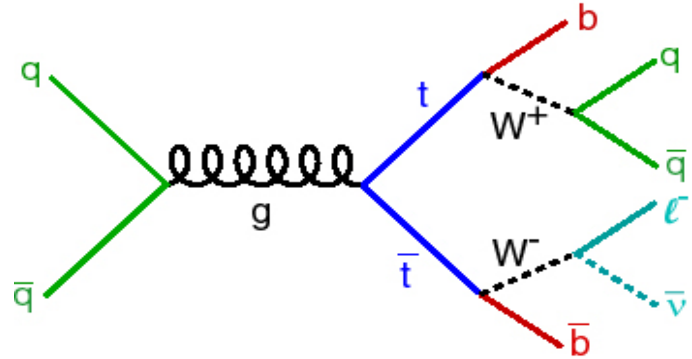




Heavy flavor content (i.e. V_{tb})

Top quark decays

top decay t→Wb, but is it 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":

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

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

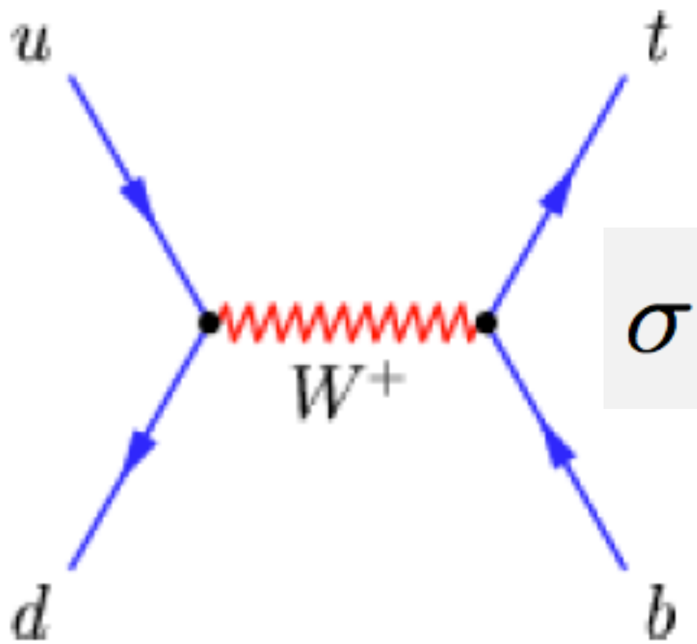
- The number of b-tagged jets depends strongly on R and b-tagging efficiency ε_b

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

Measure V_{tb}

- Measurement with the single top production final state
- direct measurement of |Vtb|
- sensitive to non-SM phenomena (W', FCNC)



$$\sigma \approx |V_{tb}|^2$$

Is BR(t→Wb)~100% ?

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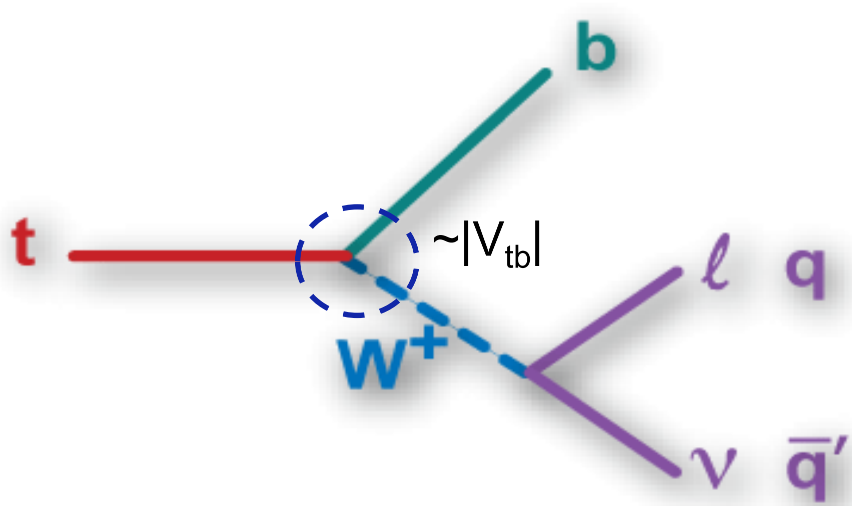
- In the SM, $R = \dfrac{BR(t\to Wb)}{BR(t\to Wq)} \approx |V_{tb}|^2$ (q=b,s,d) $0.9980 < R < 0.9984$
- measure R by comparing the number of ttbar events with 0, 1 and 2 b-tags
- SM: R=1 constrained by CKM unitarity. R<1 could indicate new physics (e.g. 4th generation hep/ph-0607115)

Measure R simultaneously with ttbar cross section:



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

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

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

D0 5.4 fb^{-1}
l+jets & dilepton

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Not yet sensitive to SM

Measure R in dilepton channel

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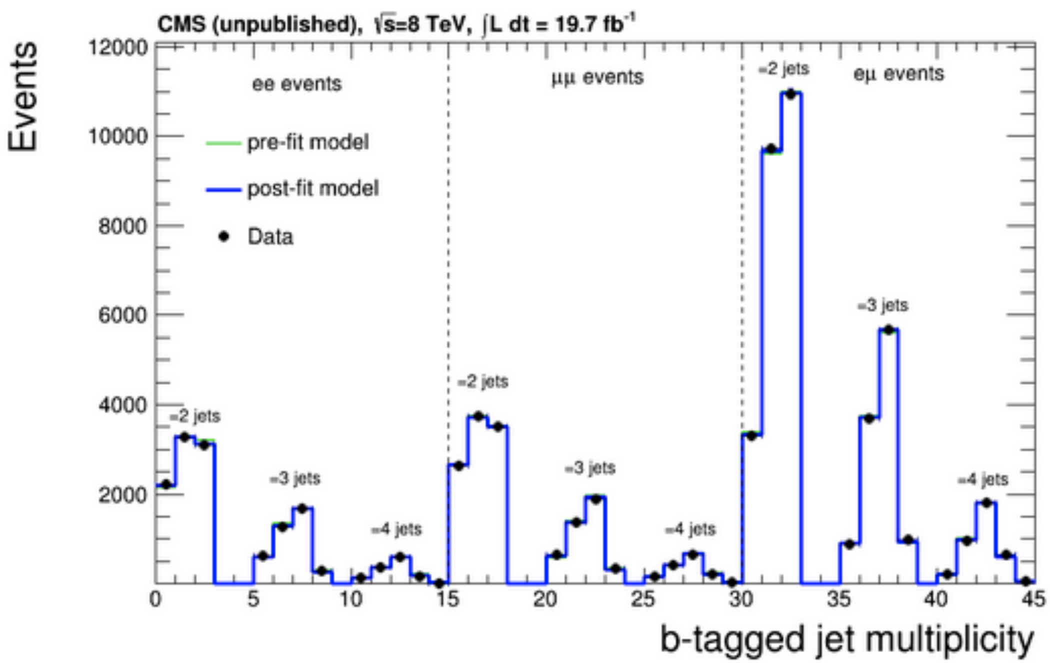
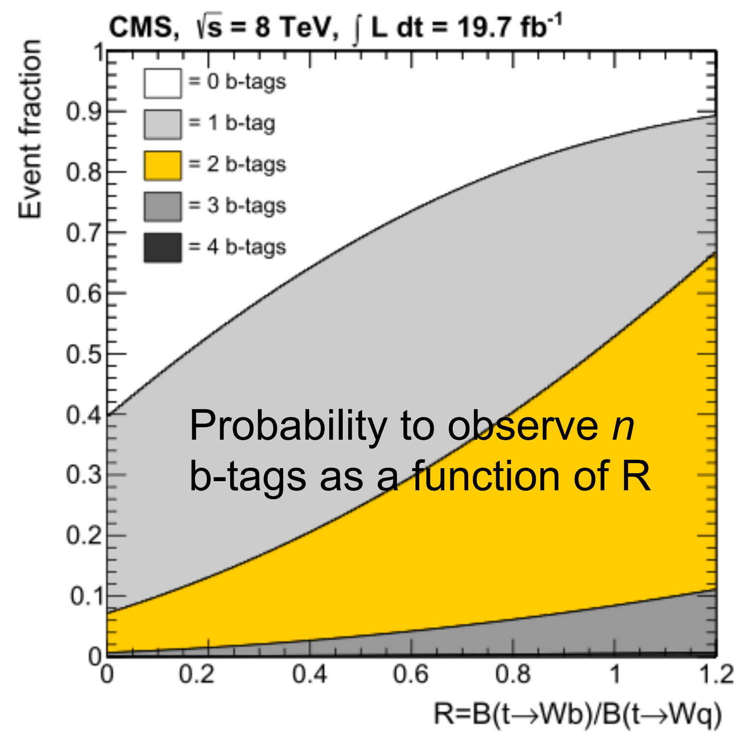
- Probe heavy flavor content of ttbar events
- Use ttbar dilepton final state
- Advantages:
  - less background

$$R \equiv \frac{BR(t \to Wb)}{BR(t \to Wq)}$$

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





Signal or background?

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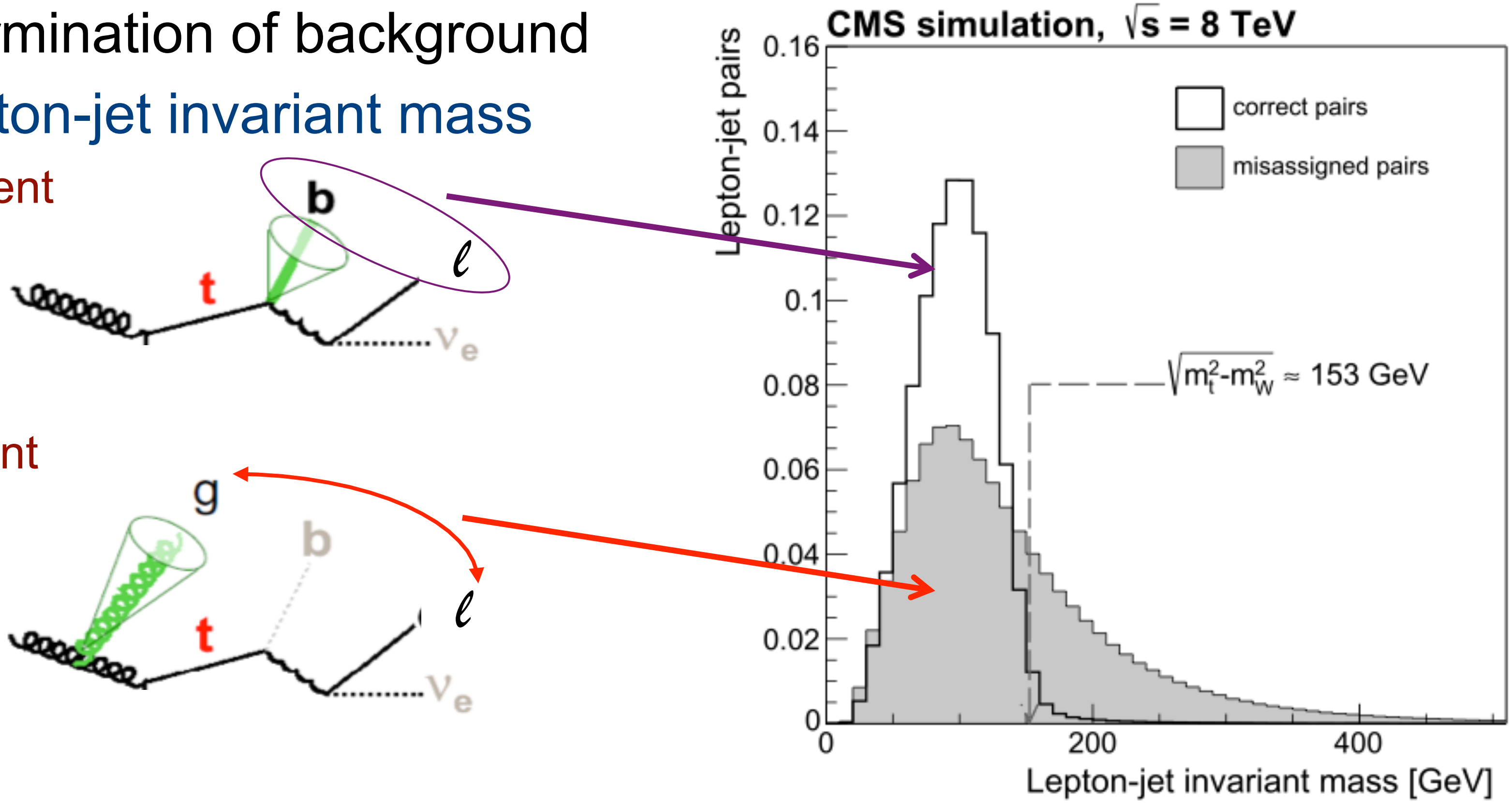
Data-driven determination of background

- Reconstruct lepton-jet invariant mass
  - Correct assignment
  - Wrong assignment



- Use tail to model background in signal region

Signal vs. background

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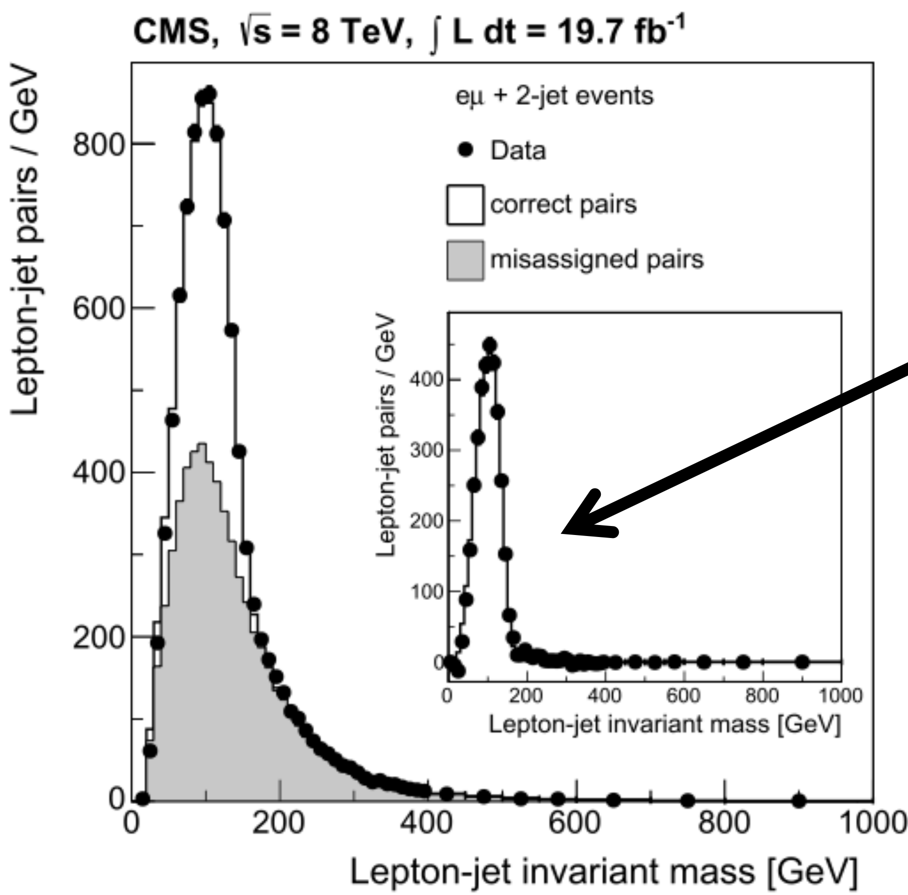
Scale shape to match spectrum observed with M_{lj}>180 GeV



after background subtraction

Heavy flavor content

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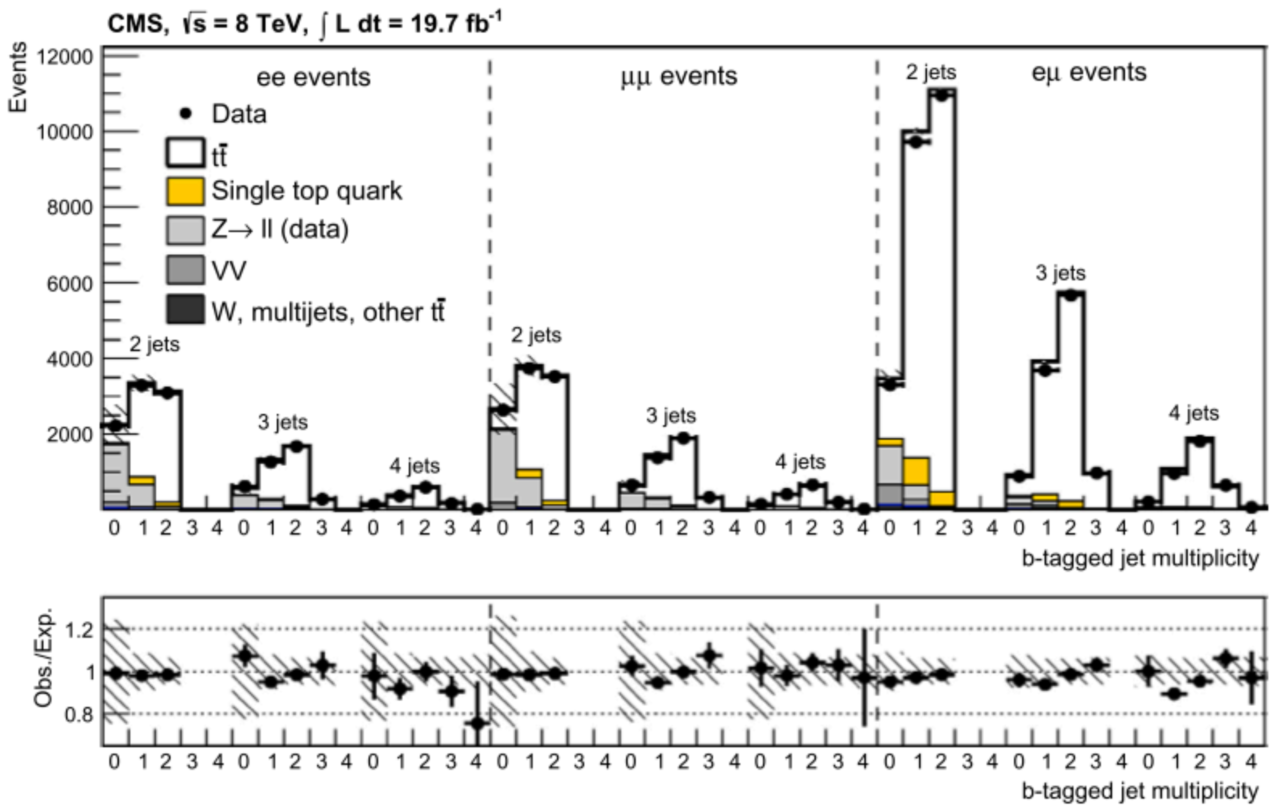
- Fully data-driven measurement
  - b-tagging multiplicity parametrized as function of R ε_b, ε_q, top contribution
  - Number of reconstructed t→Wq is estimated from lepton-jet invariant mass
- R=1.01±0.03 (stat.⊕ syst.)
  - Lower boundary with confidence interval @95%CL after requiring R≤1 **⇒ R>0.955 @95%CL**



Measure R

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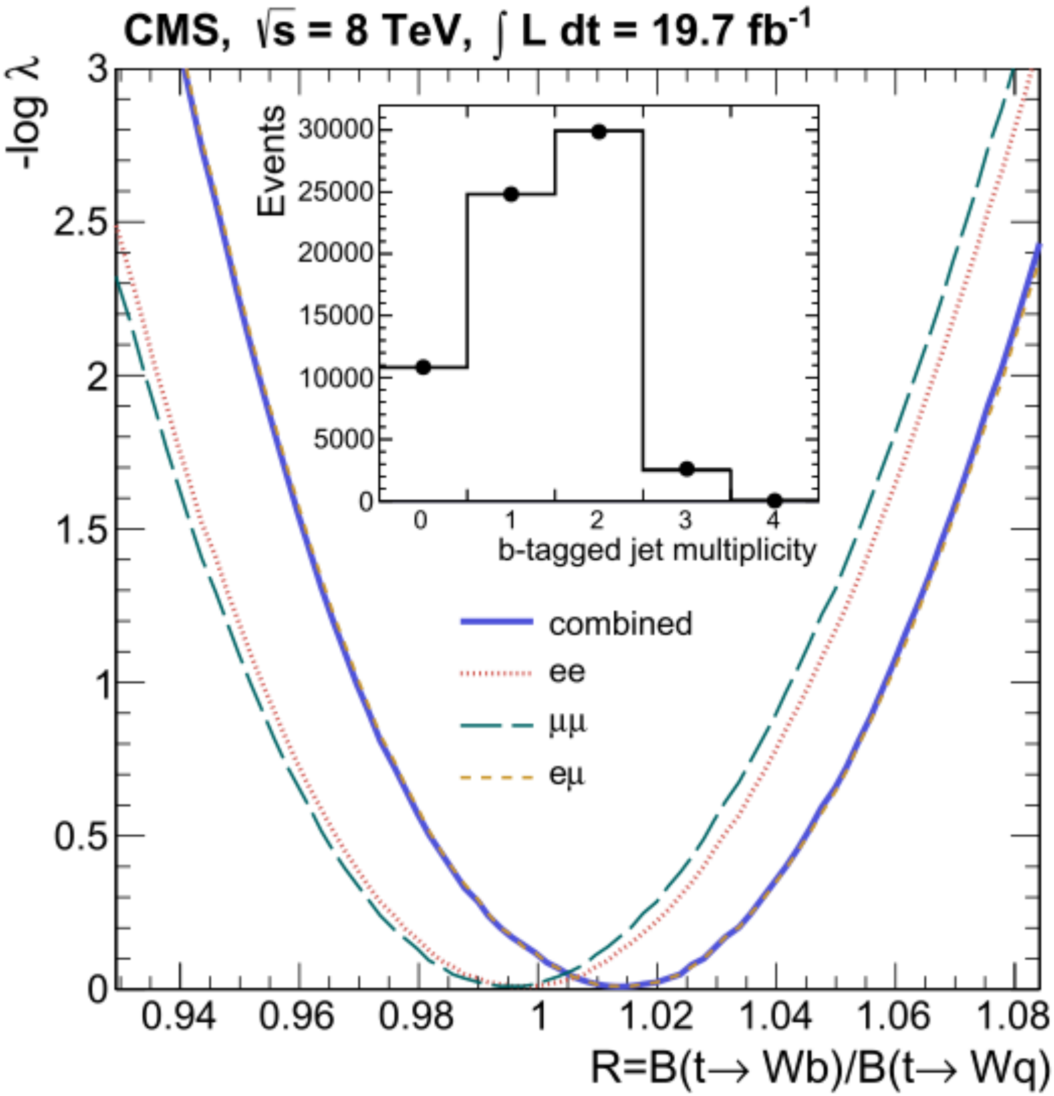
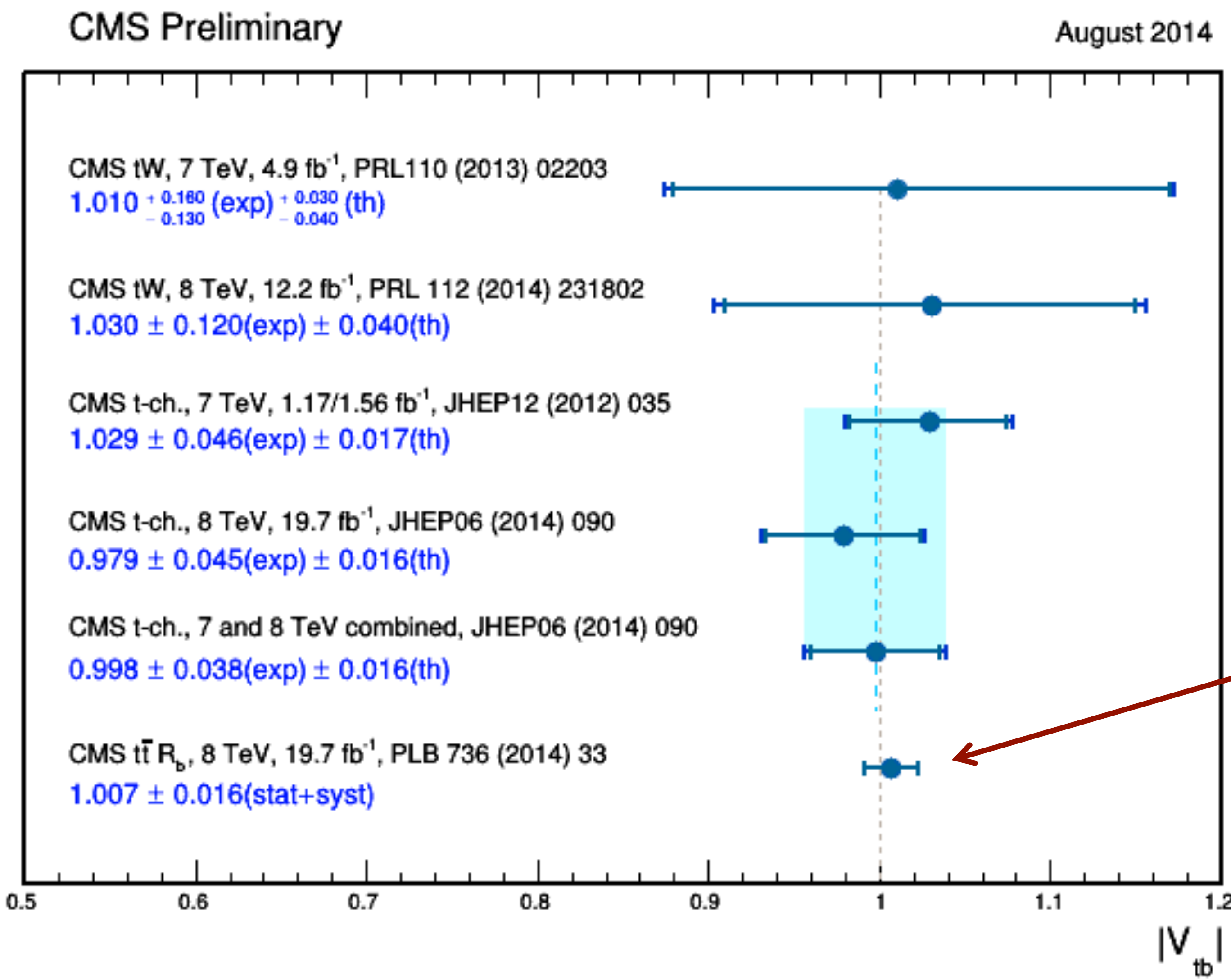


- Variation of the likelihood used to measure R from data
- Fit different categories

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

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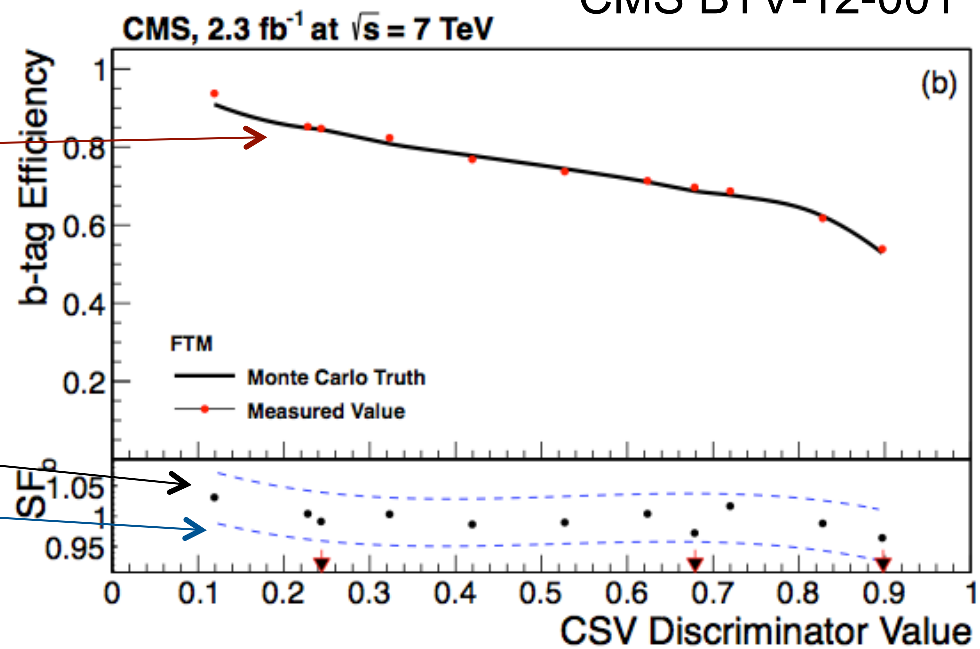


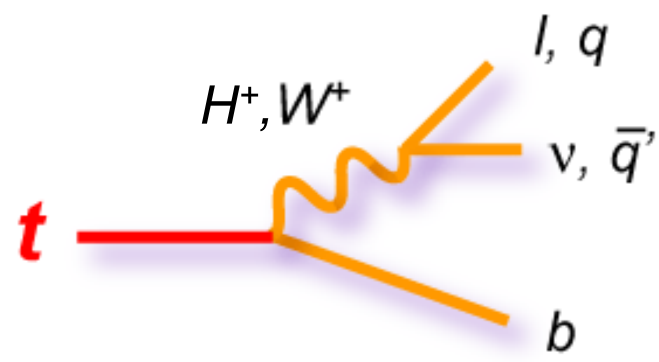
Top quark decays and taus

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 ($t \rightarrow H^{\pm}b$, …)

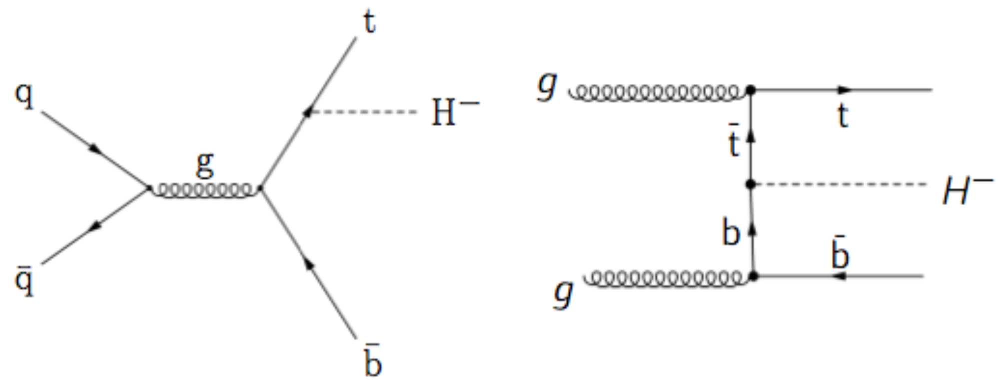
Channel	Signature	BR
Dilepton(e/μ)	$ee,\mu\mu,e\mu$ + 2*b*-jets	4/81
Single lepton	e,μ + jets + 2*b*-jets	24/81
All-hadronic	jets + 2*b*-jets	36/81
Tau dilepton	$e\tau$, $\mu\tau$ +2 *b*-jets	4/81
Tau+jets	τ + jets + 2*b*-jets	12/81

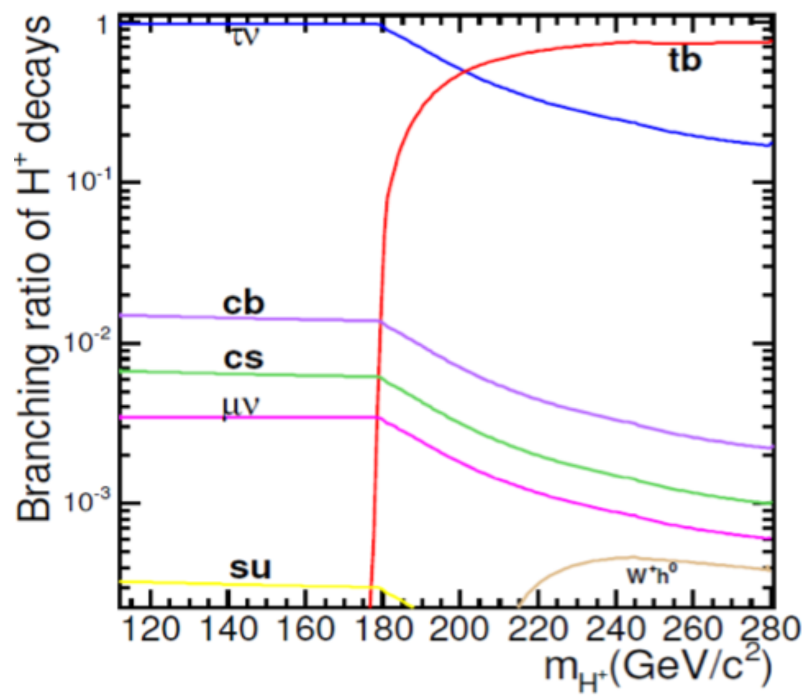
- If top quark plays special role in EWK symmetry breaking, couplings to W may change
- Charged Higgs may alter coupling to W
- Search for final states with taus



Charged Higgs

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

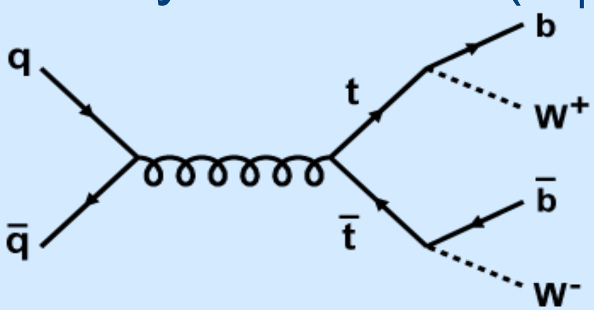




Charged Higgs

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

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



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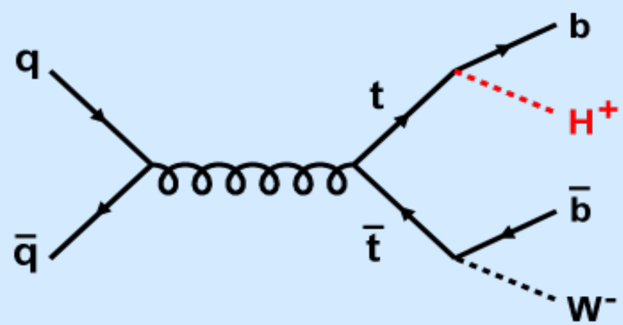
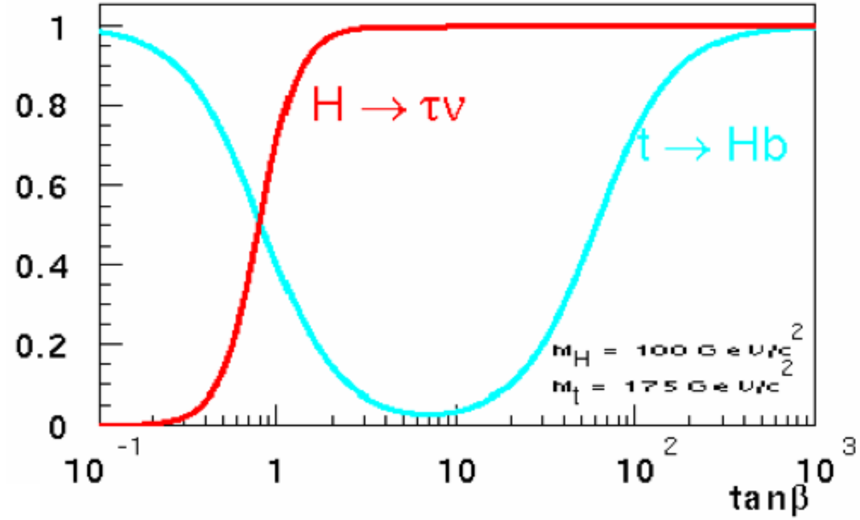


⇨directly observable in this channel

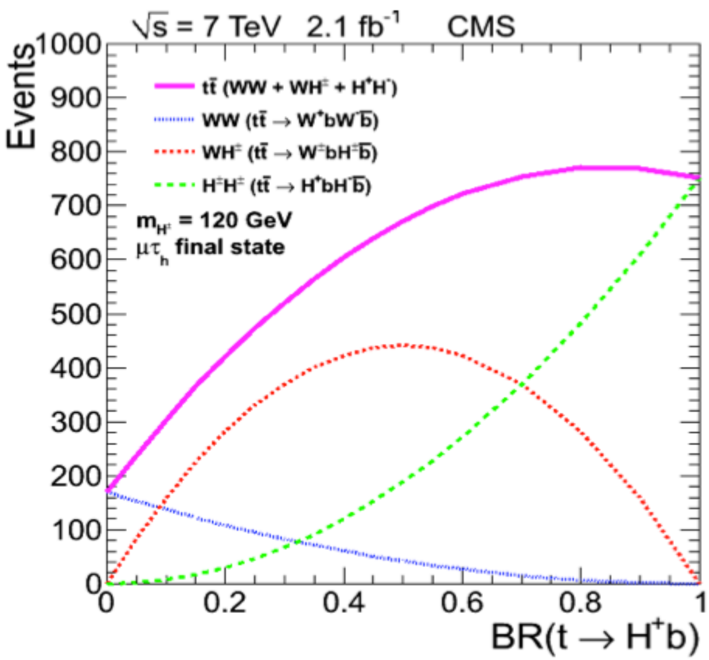
Charged Higgs

- BR($t \to H^+ b$) could be large
- $H^+ \to \tau^+ \nu_\tau$ enhanced if tanβ large

⇨ **observe more taus**

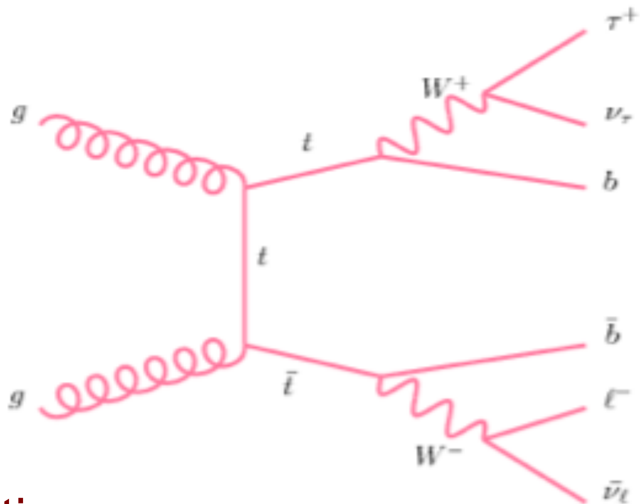


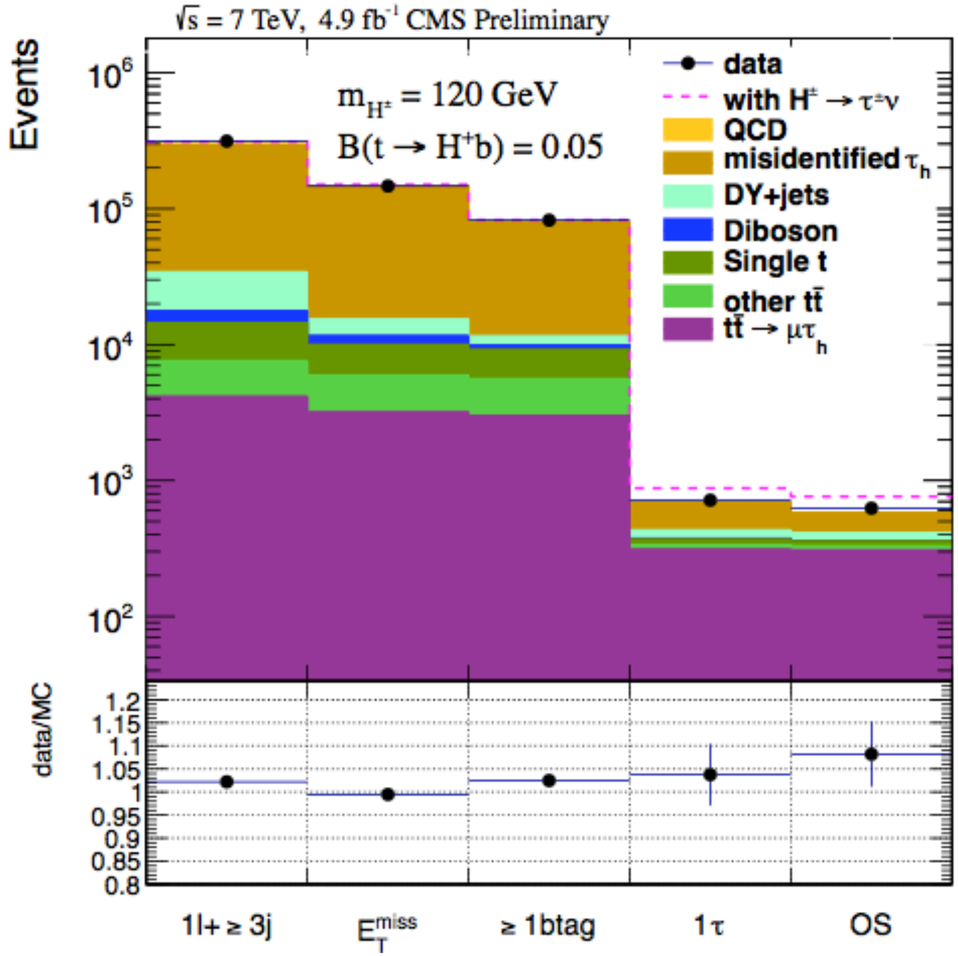
(tanβ: ratio of vacuum expectation values)



⇨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)
  - MET>30 (45) GeV
- Determine τ fakes from data
  - Expected to be dominated by quark/gluon jets
  - Conservative approach: average W+jets and QCD

Tau dilepton channel

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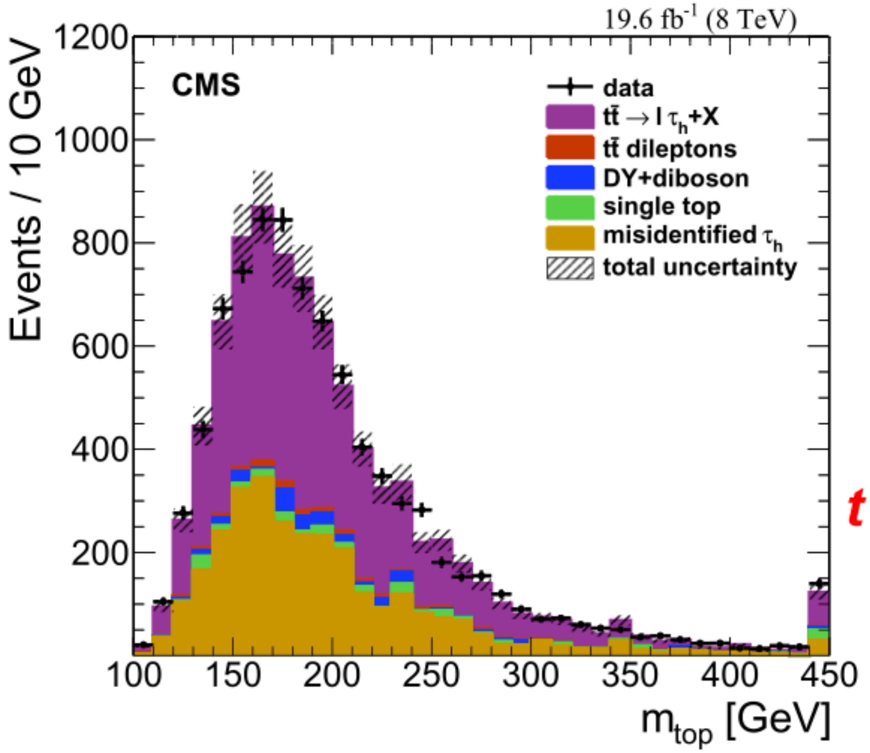
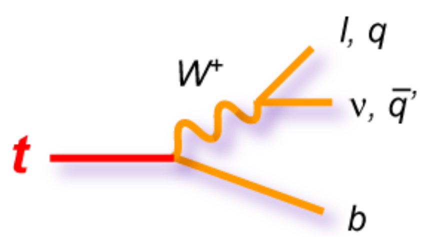
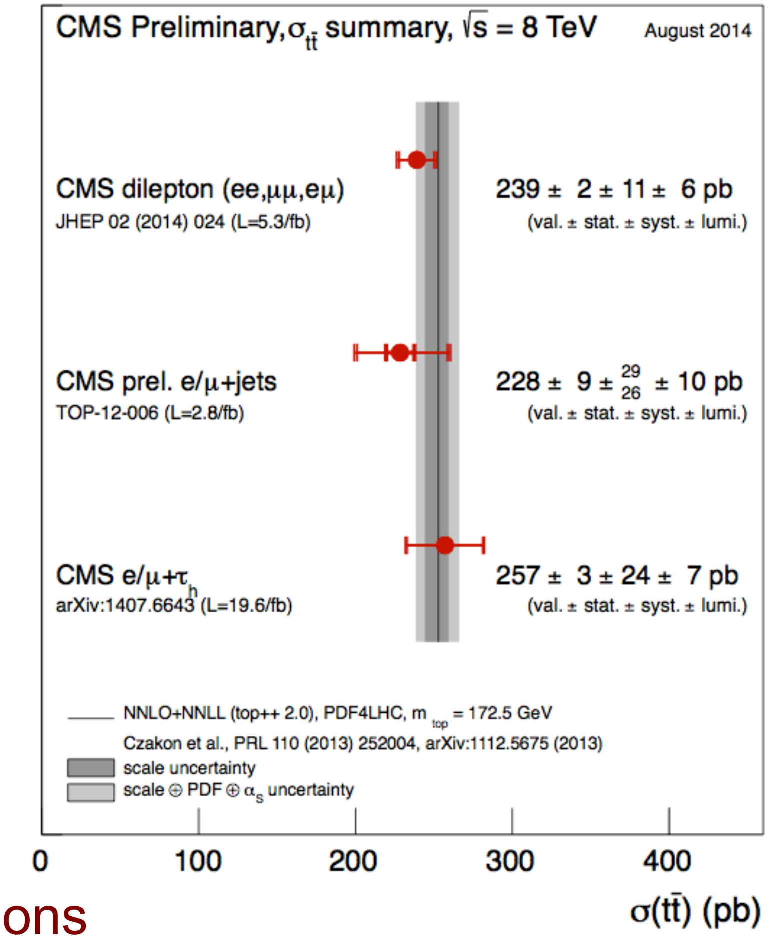
Reconstruct mass in ttbar events with taus







Good agreement between measurement and predictions

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 257 \pm 3\ (\mathrm{stat}) \pm 24\ (\mathrm{syst}) \pm 7\ (\mathrm{lumi})\ \mathrm{pb}$$

±10%

Is there a charged Higgs?

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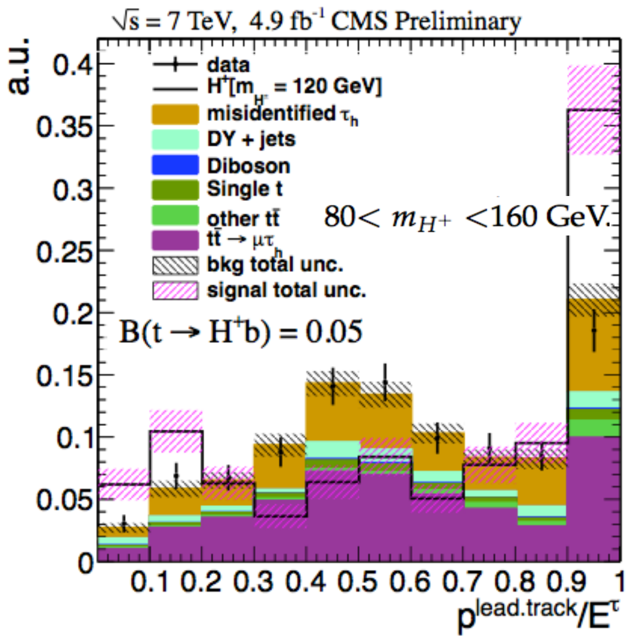
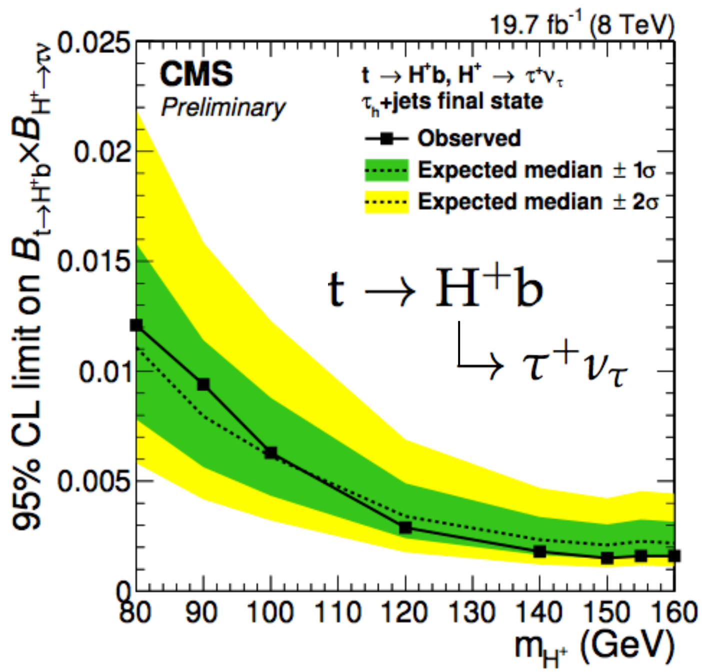
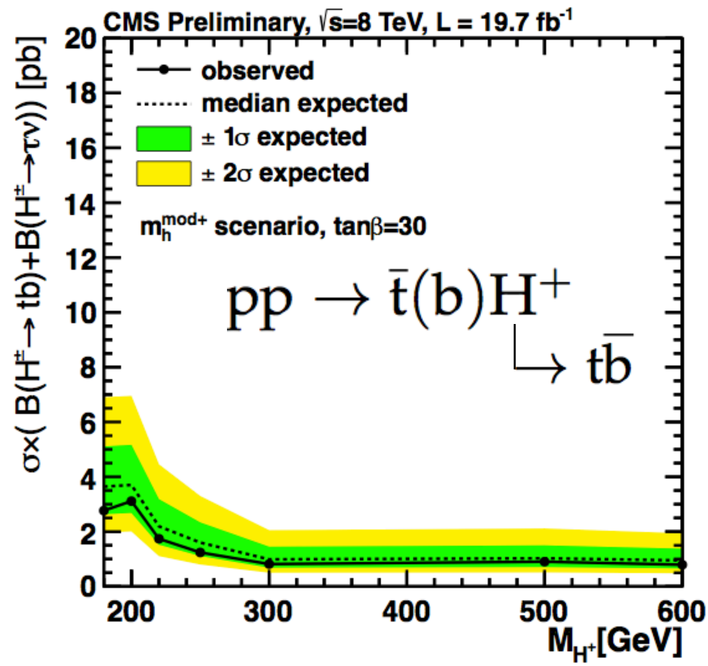
- If anomalous tau/lepton production in ttbar decays there may be contribution from charged Higgs







Yields in agreement with expectations ⇒ set limits

m_H: 80-160 GeV $\mathcal{B}(t \to bH^+)$ < 1.2-0.6%

200-600 GeV $\sigma(pp \to \bar{t}(b)H^+)$ < 4-1 pb

ttbar resonances

How else is top quark produced?

For single top:
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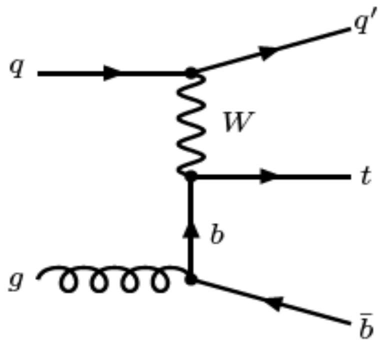
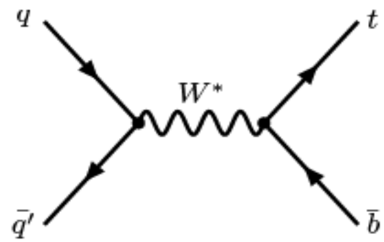
Standard Model LHC Single Top Production



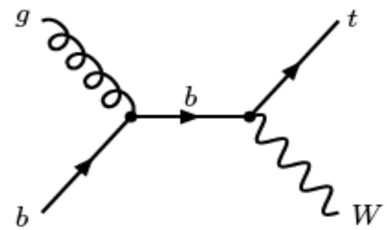
$64.57^{+2.09}_{-0.71}\ ^{+1.51}_{-1.74}$ pb

Kidonakis,N.
PRD83:091503,2011



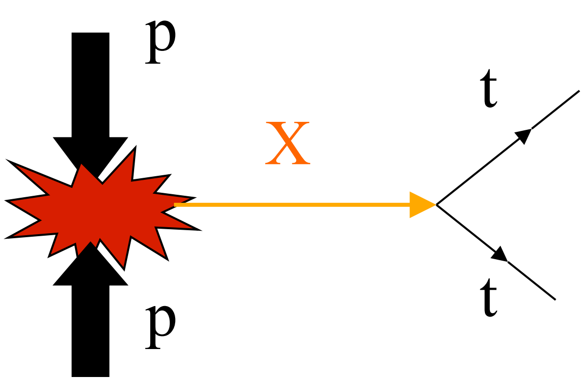
$4.63 \pm 0.07^{+0.19}_{-0.17}$ pb

Kidonakis,N.
PRD81:054028,2010



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

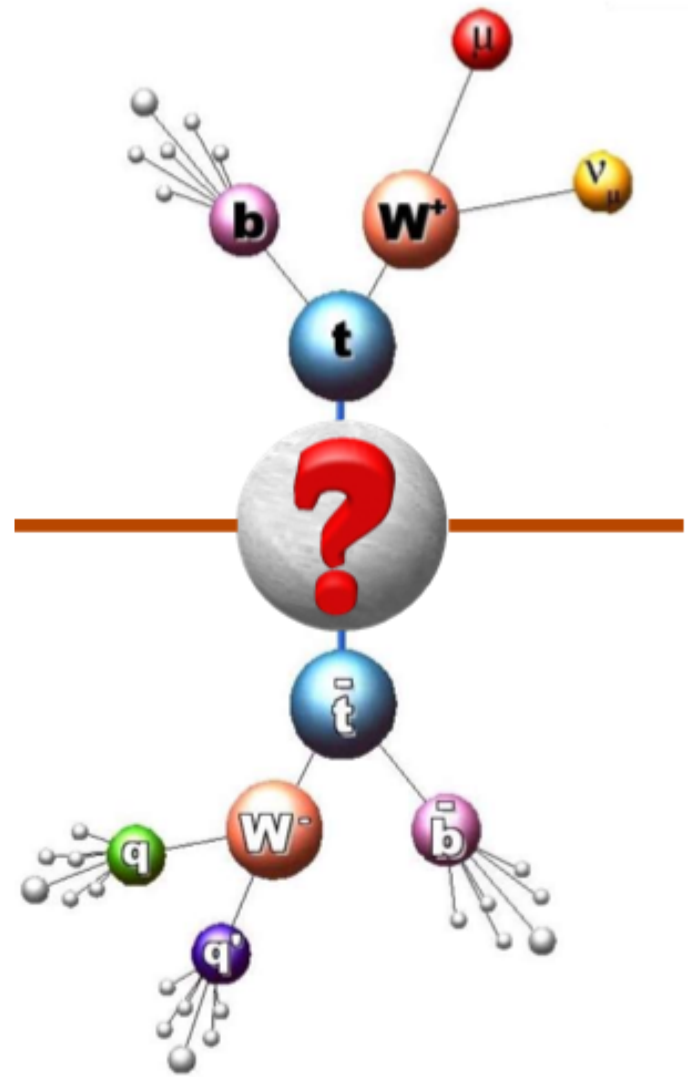
Kidonakis,N.
PRD82:054018,2010



Resonance Production?
Top Color-Assisted Technicolor
OR
?????

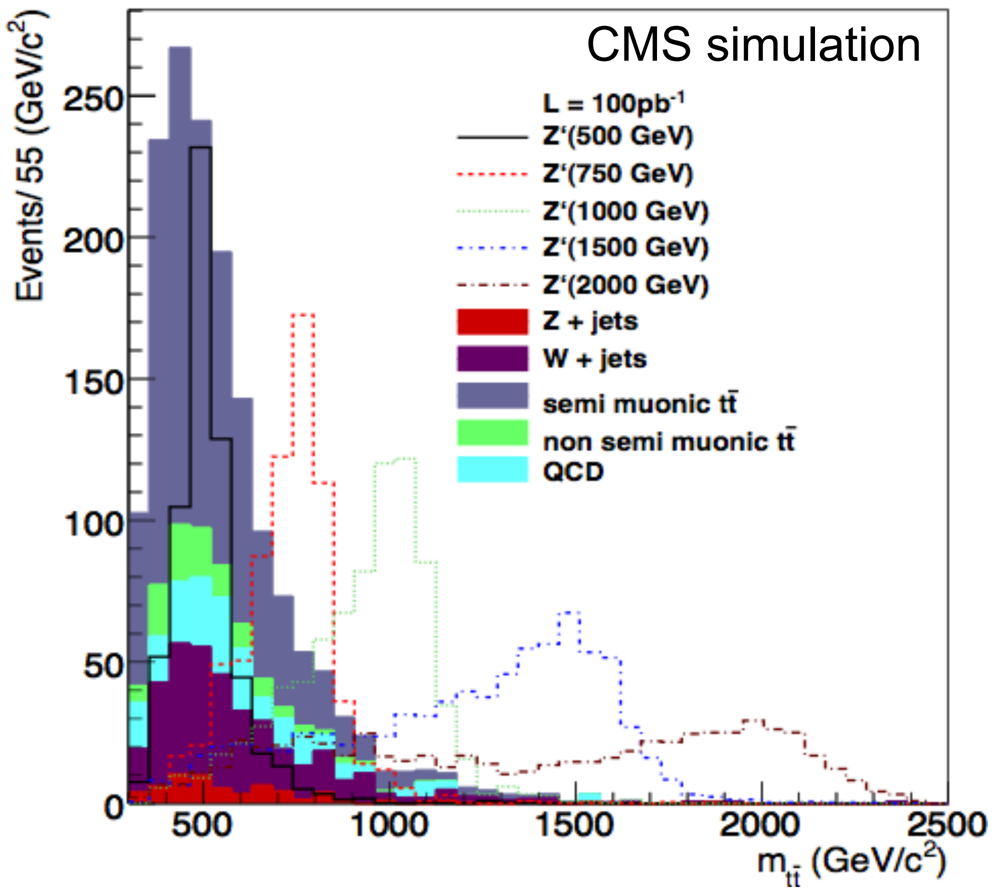
Top quark pair resonance

- No resonance expected in SM
- Why is the top quark so heavy?
  - new physics?
  - is third generation 'special'?
  - couples predominantly to 3rd generation quarks
- Top quark is relatively unknown experimentally
- Experimental check
  - search for a bump in the invariant mass spectrum



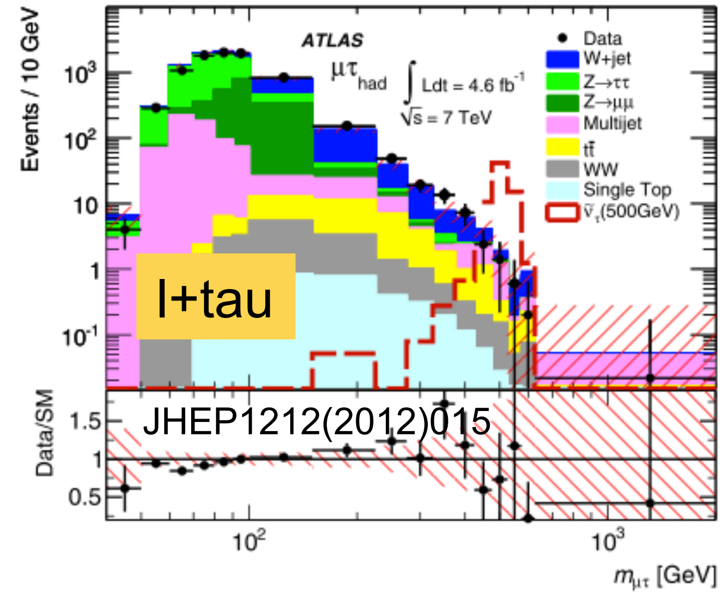
Search for resonances

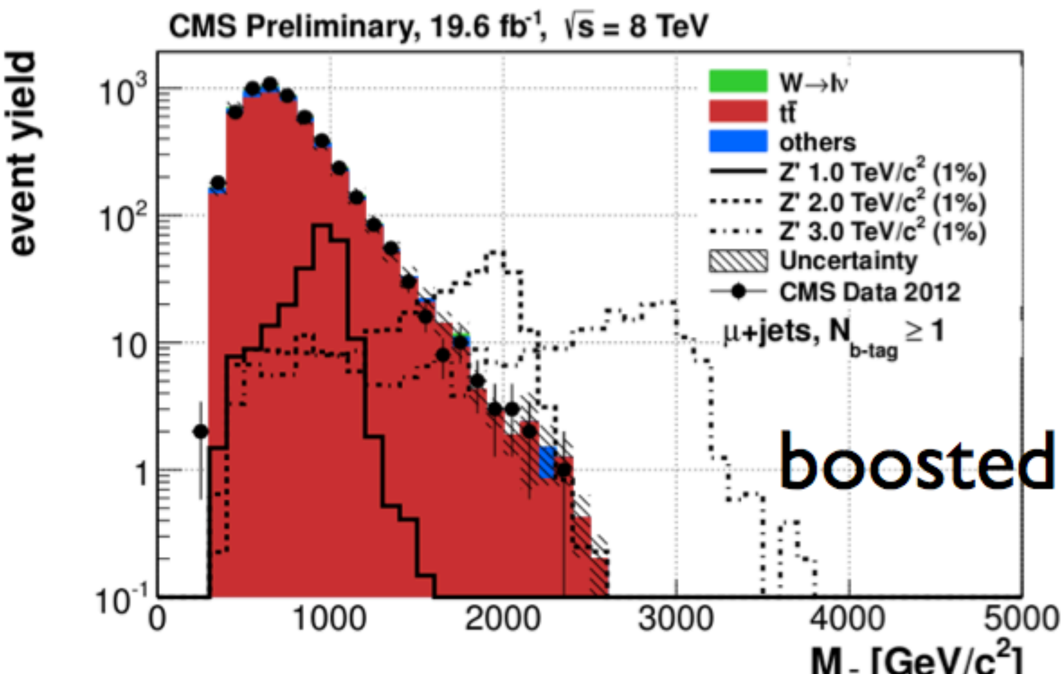
- Semi-leptonic (muon+jets) channel
- Z' → ttbar cross section normalized to SM ttbar
- Progressive loss in reconstruction ability due to jet merging

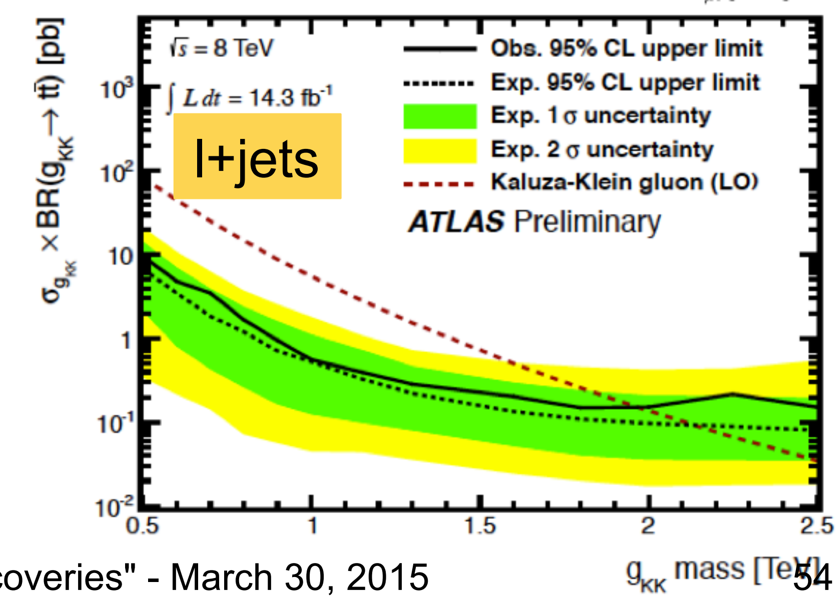


Search for heavy resonances

- search for massive neutral bosons decaying via a ttbar quark pair
- use dilepton/lepton+jet final states (electron and muon)
  - Reconstruct M_{ttbar} in different categories (e/μ, *n*-jets, *n* b-tags)
  - l+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)



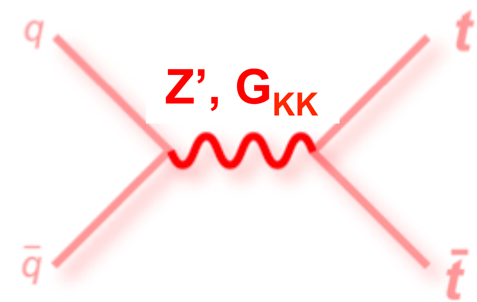


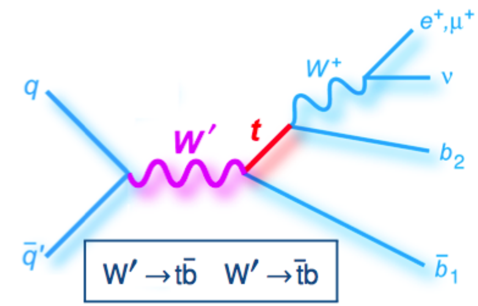


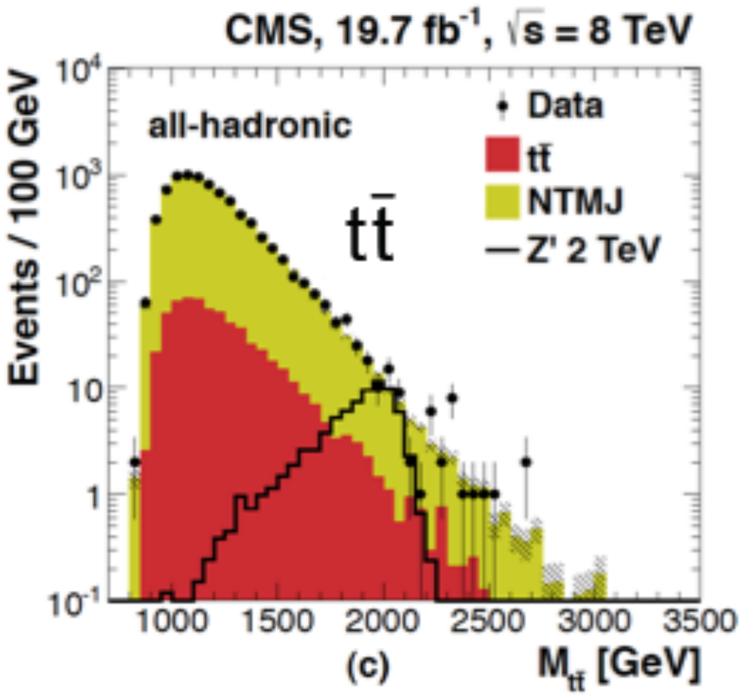
Searches for tt/tb resonances

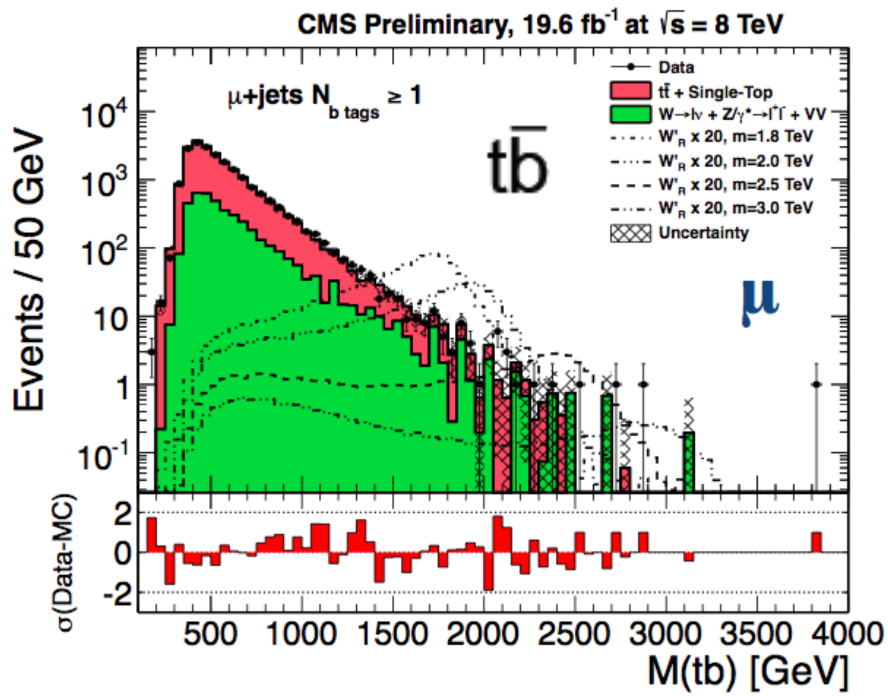
Two benchmark models considered:

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

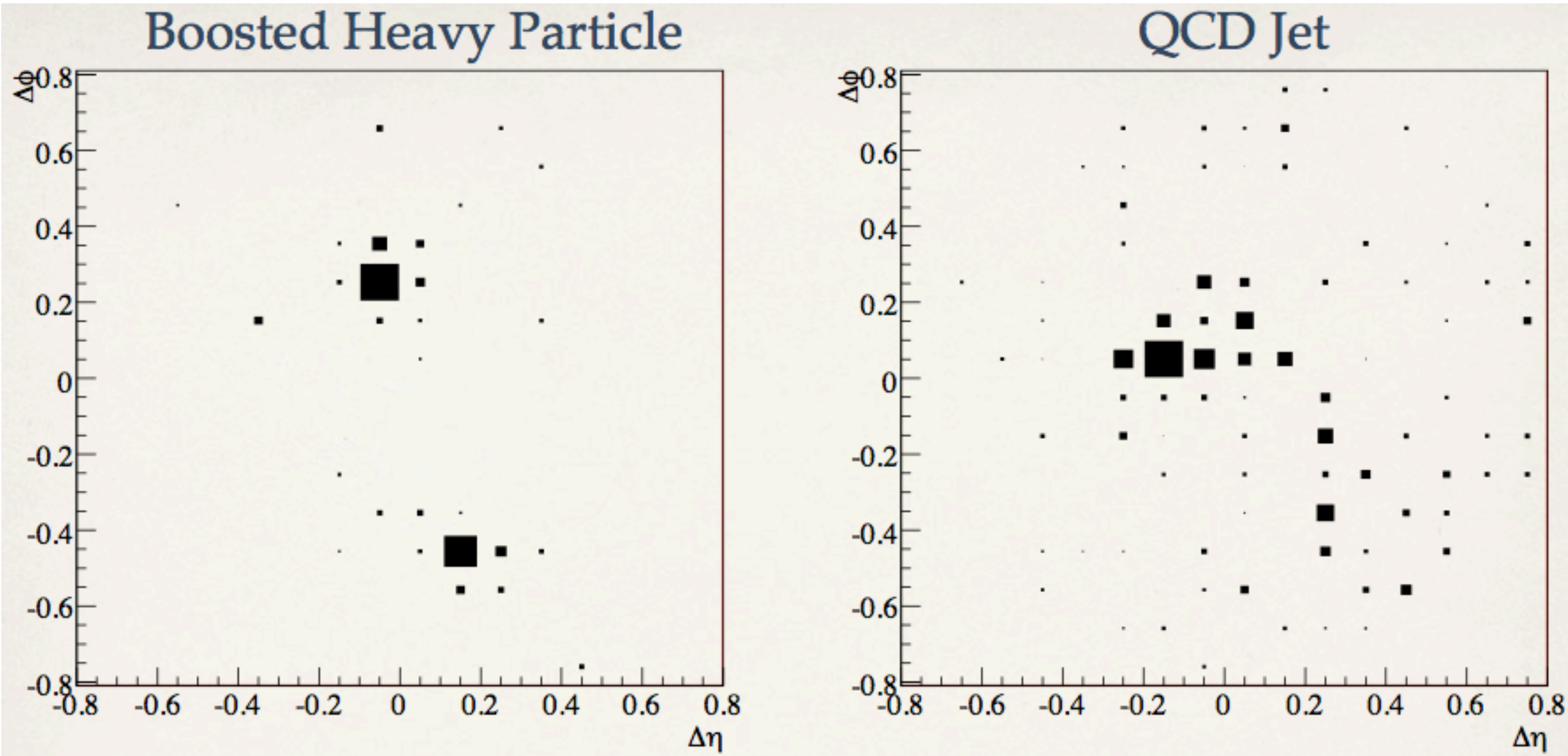




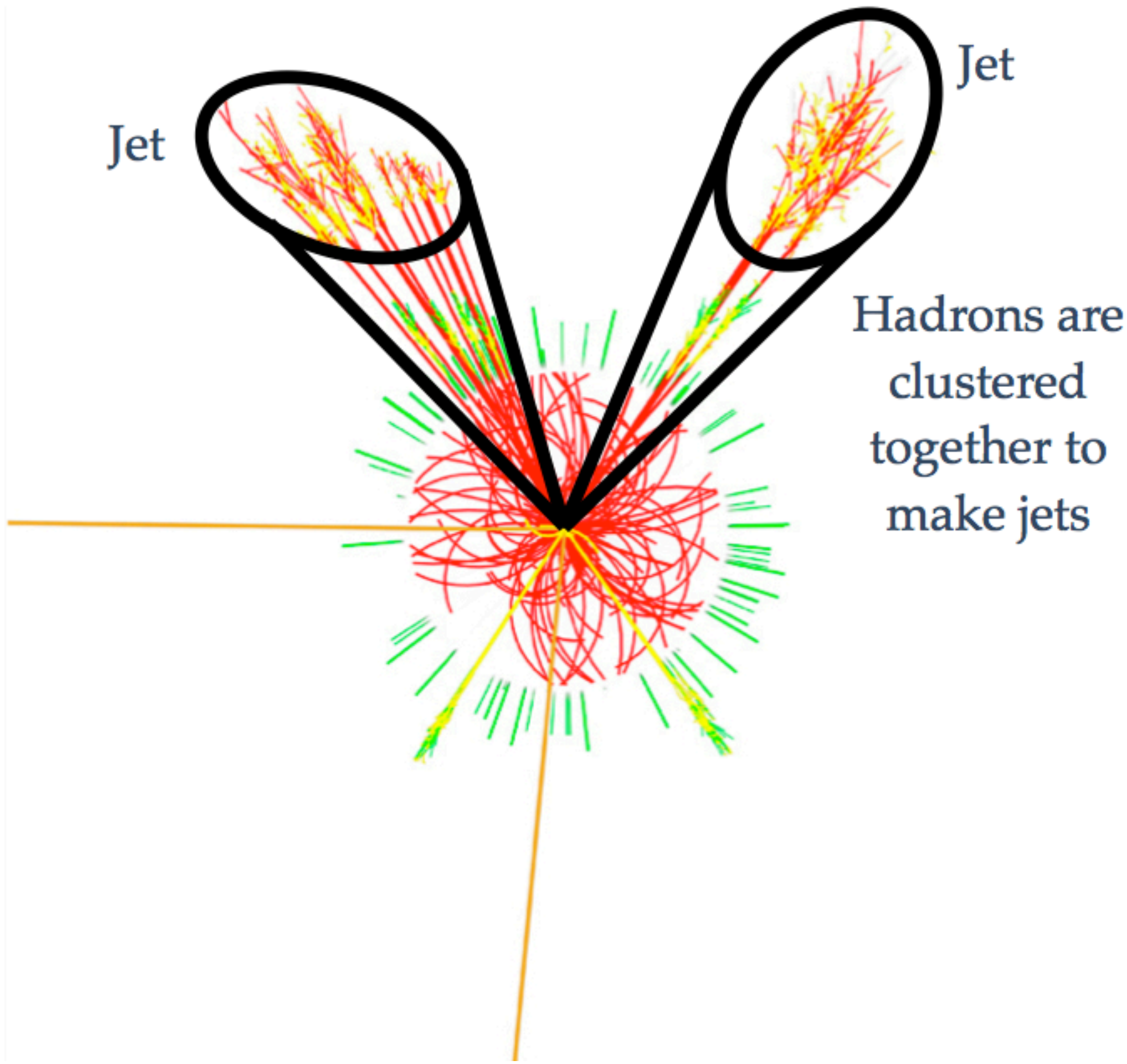




Boosted topology



Jets and boosted topology

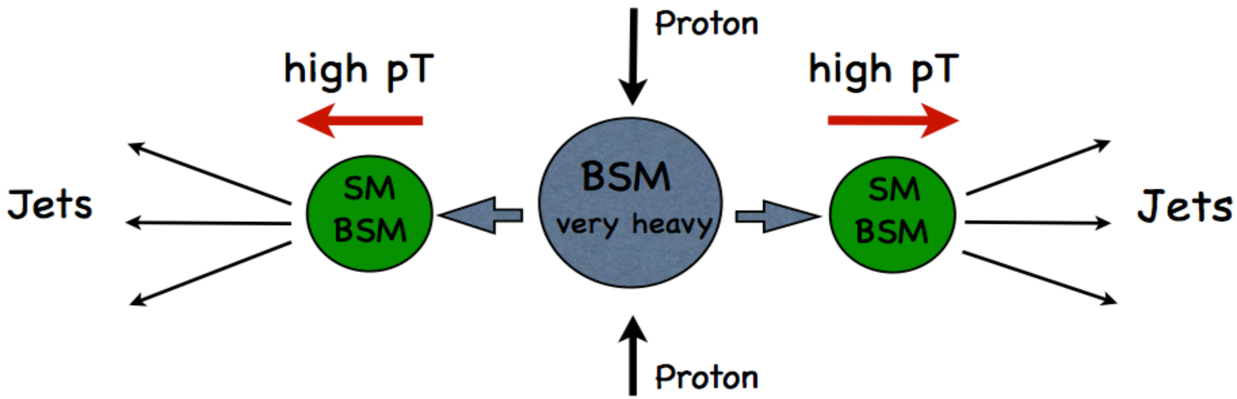


Boosted topology

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

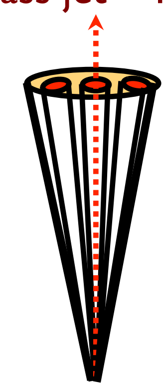
$$pp \rightarrow X \rightarrow t\bar{t}$$

- Simple approach to merge neighboring jets



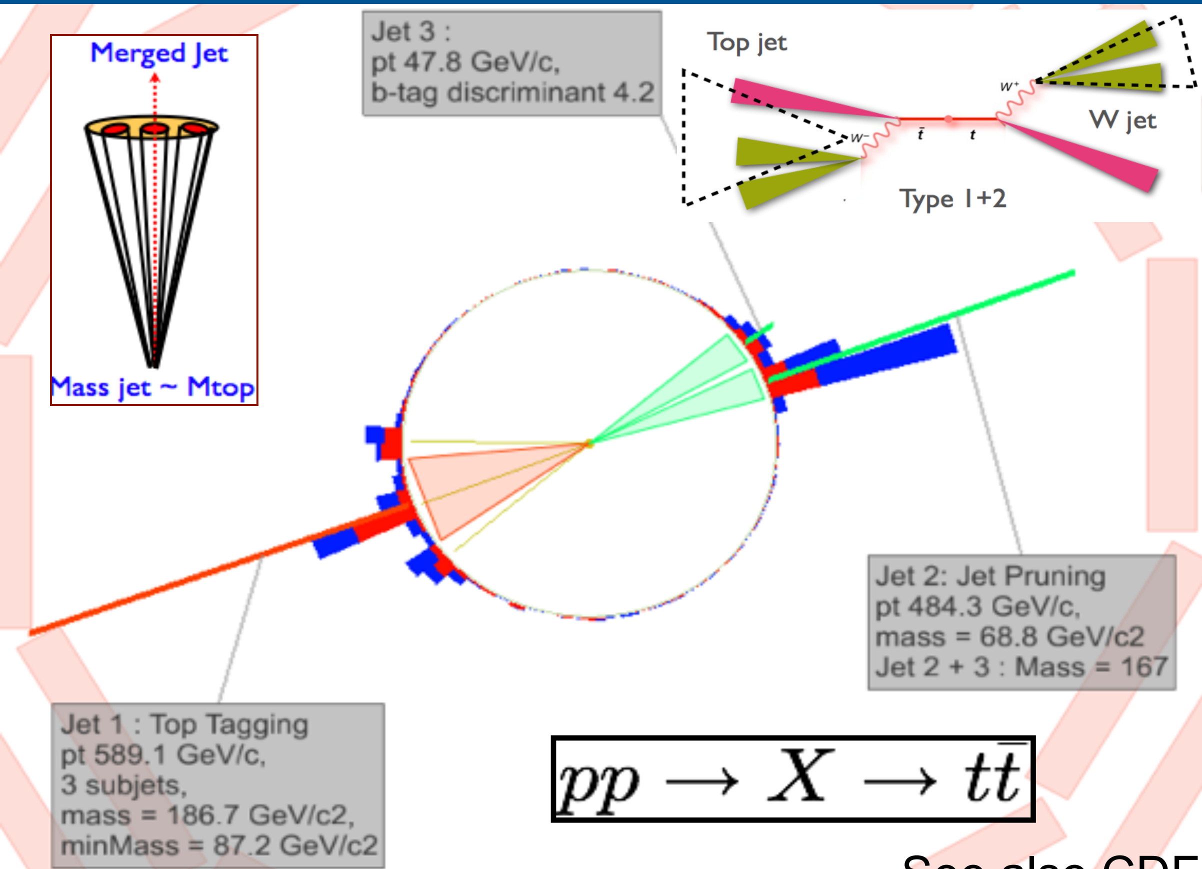
Merged Jet

Mass jet ~ M_{top}



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

Boosted jet topology



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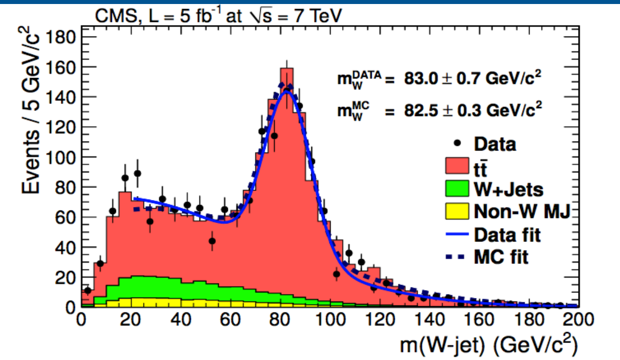

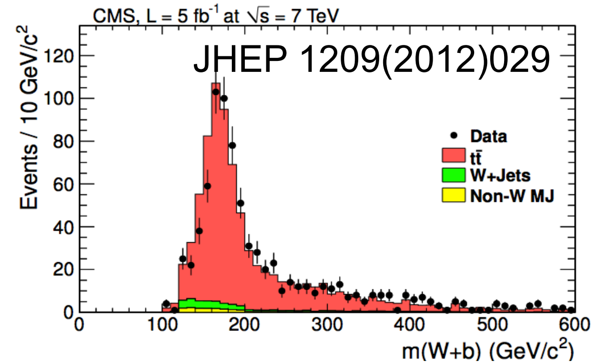

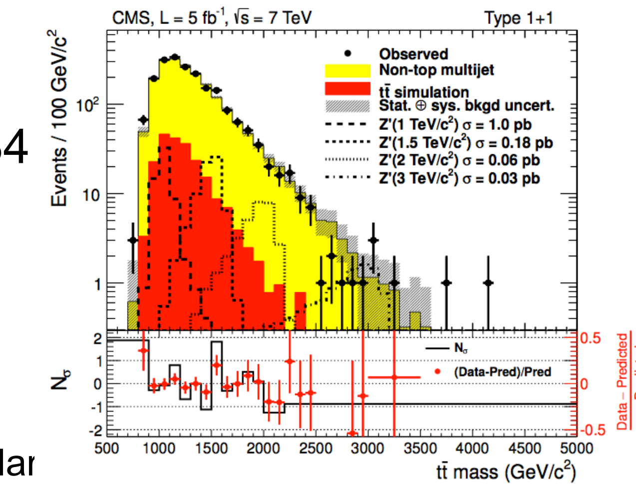

See also CDF note 10234

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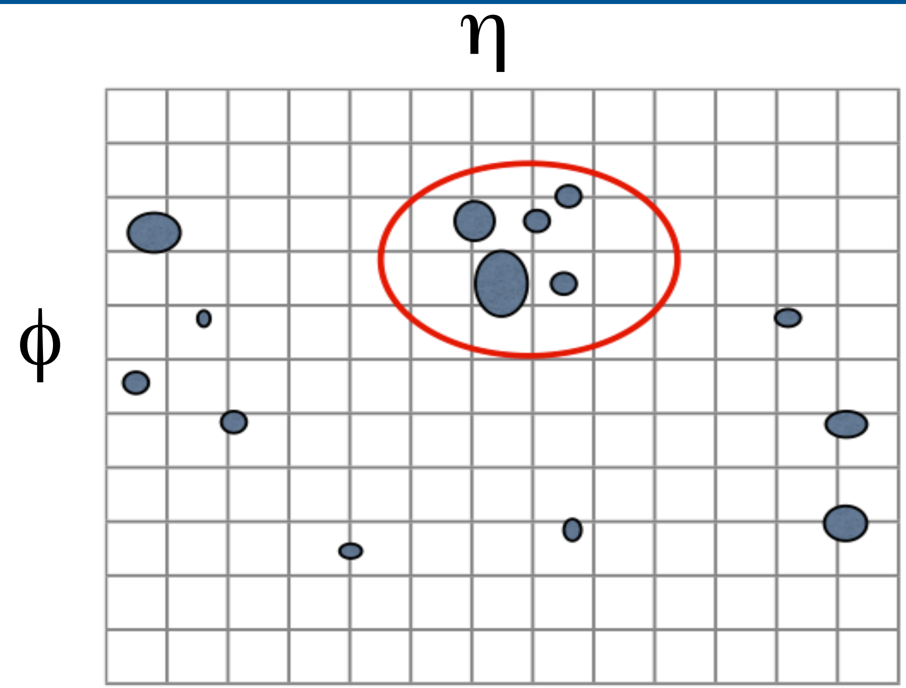
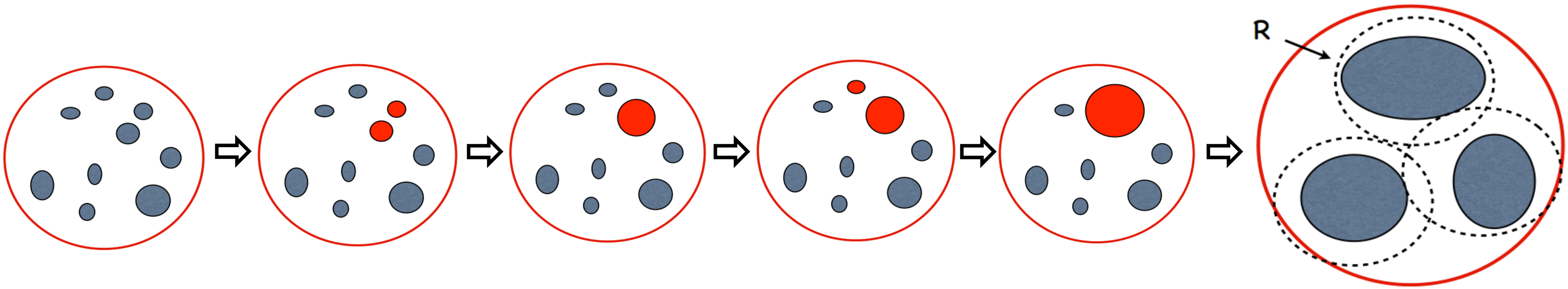
Jet/Event selection

- 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

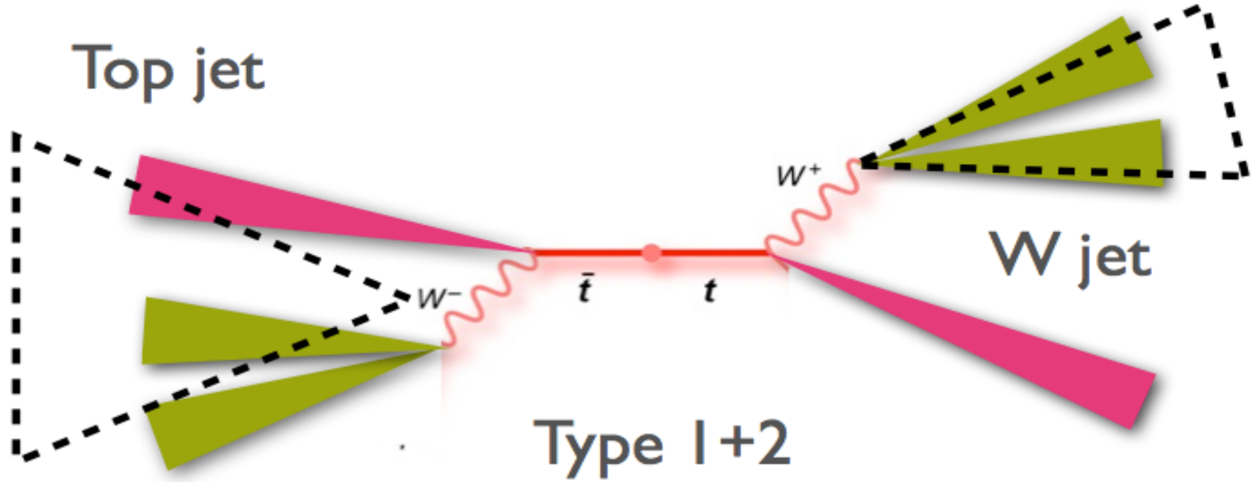


UE, ISR, Pile-up, hard interaction



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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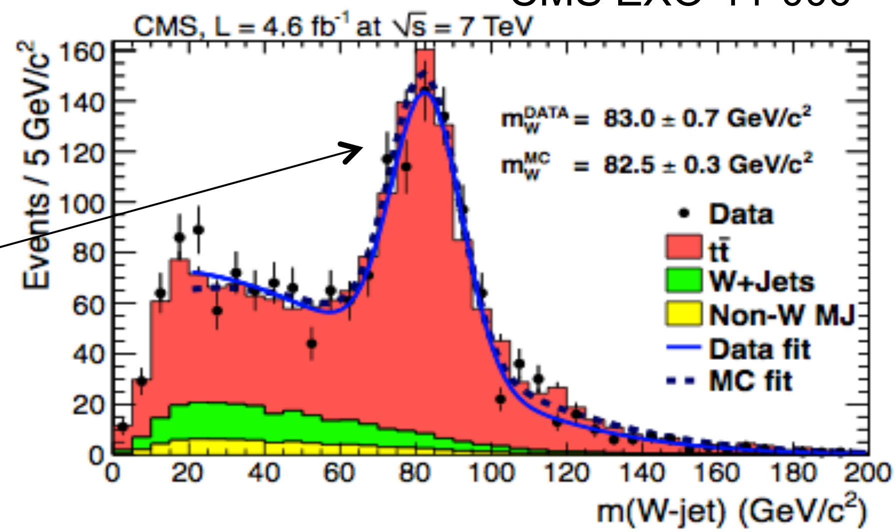
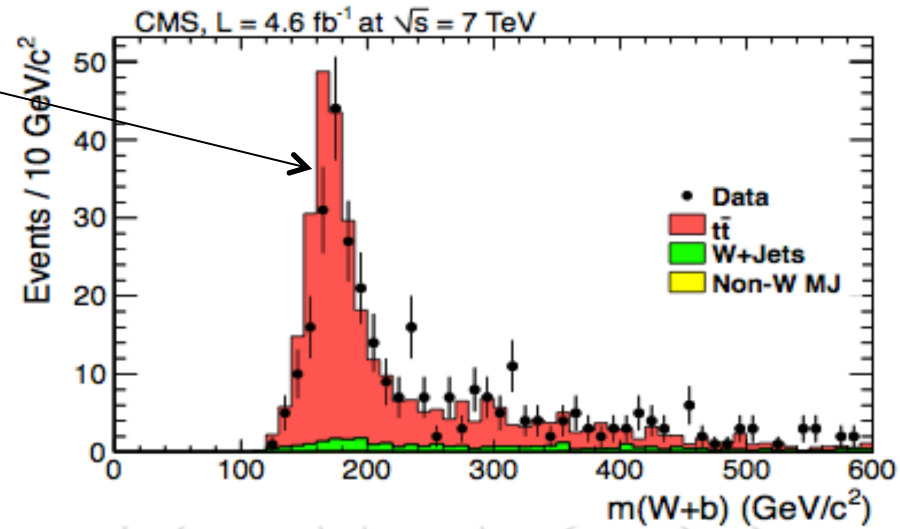
Tested using hadronic top in lepton+jet ttbar events

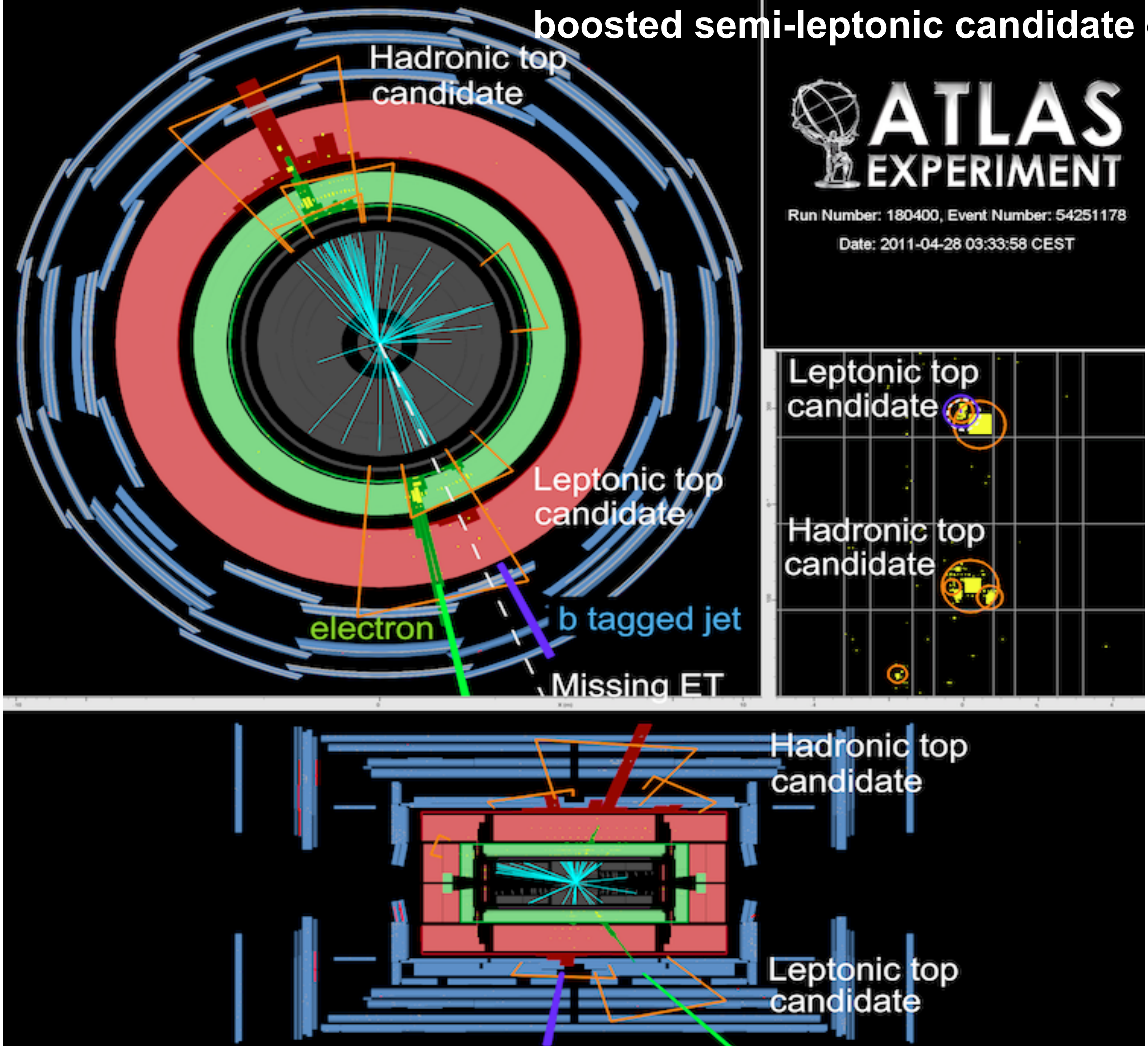
W mass peak

Top quark mass peak



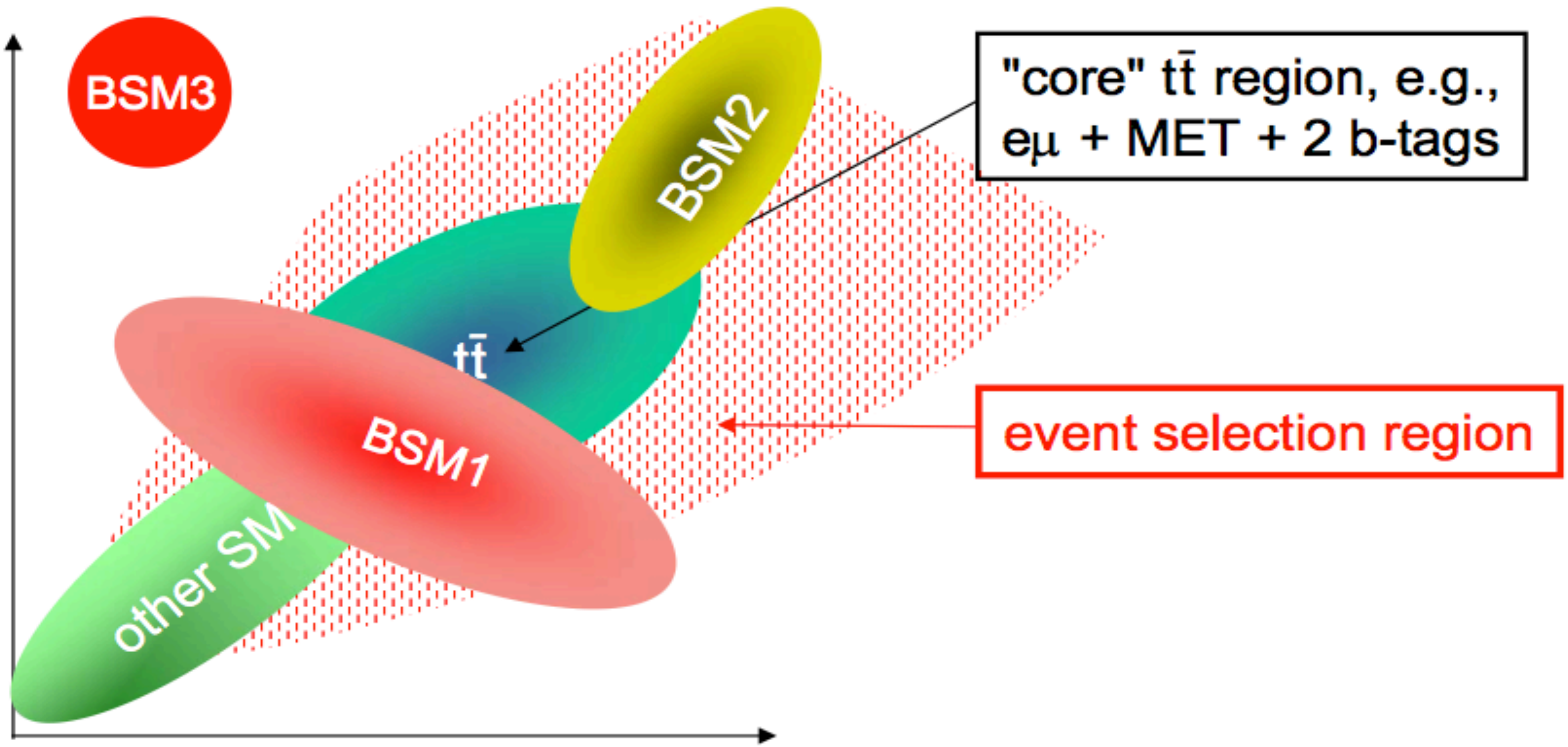


boosted semi-leptonic candidate event



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

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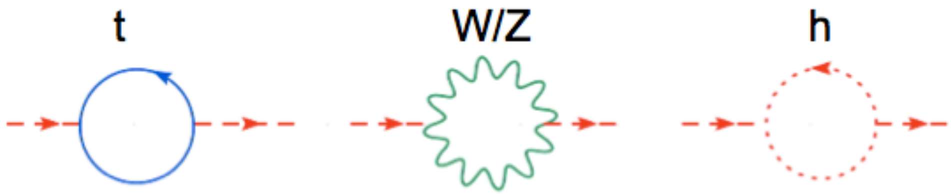

Contributions grow with Λ:

$$m^2 = m_0^2 + g^2\Lambda^2$$

Cancellation?

Problem:

- “low” value of Higgs mass is a problem
- Virtual SM particles in quantum loops contribute to Higgs mass
- Ad-hoc cancelations are needed to keep the Higgs mass <1 TeV

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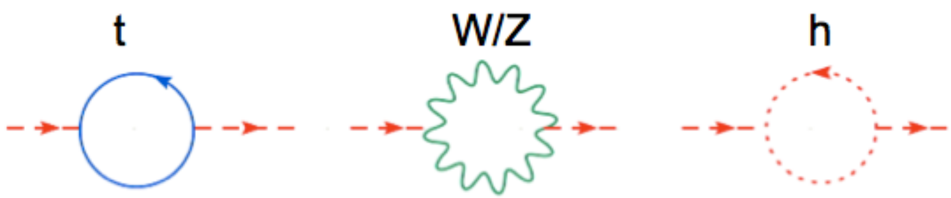

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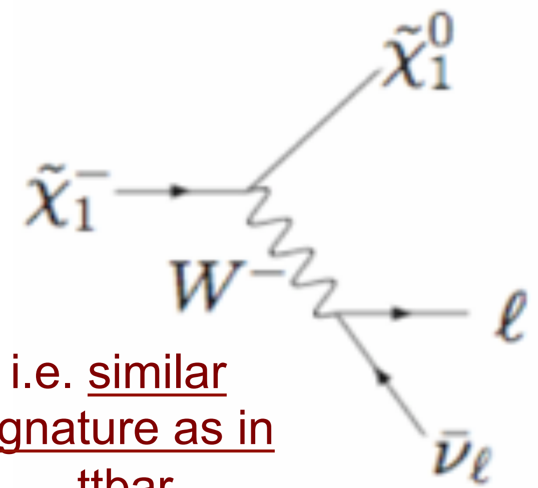
Cancellation?

Solutions:

- Naturalness: There is no problem
- Weakly-coupled model at TeV scale
  - New particles to cancel SM divergences
  - Top partners: new scalar/vectors coupled to top, exotic top decays
- Strongly-coupled model at TeV scale
  - ttbar resonances, bound states, 4-top production, etc.
- New space-time structure
  - Introduce extra space dimensions to lower Planck scale cutoff to ~1TeV
  - KK excitations

Scalar top quark

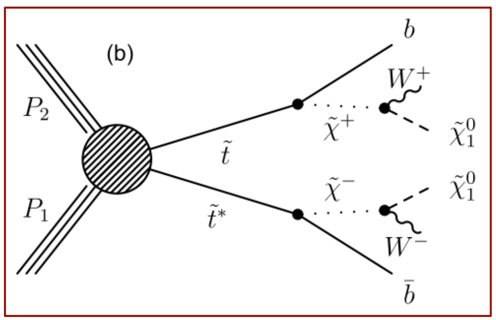
- SUSY is one plausible extension of the SM
- due to the heavy top quark, mass splitting between $\tilde{t}_1$ and $\tilde{t}_2$ can be large, such that the lighter stop $\tilde{t}_1$ can be even lighter than the top quark
- Decays dictated by mass spectrum of other SUSY particles



i.e. similar signature as in ttbar

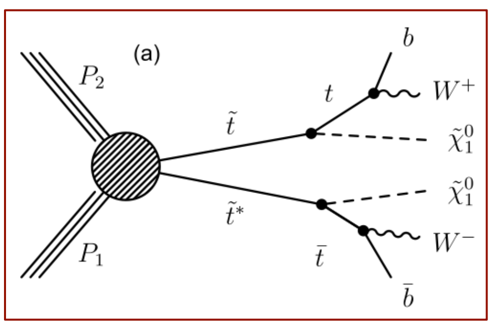
- Light stop:

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



$$\tilde{t} \to b\tilde{\chi}^+ \to bW\tilde{\chi}_1^0$$

- Heavy stop:



$$\tilde{t} \to t\tilde{\chi}_1^0 \to bW\tilde{\chi}_1^0$$

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

$$\tilde{t} \to t\tilde{\chi}_1^0 \to bW\tilde{\chi}_1^0$$
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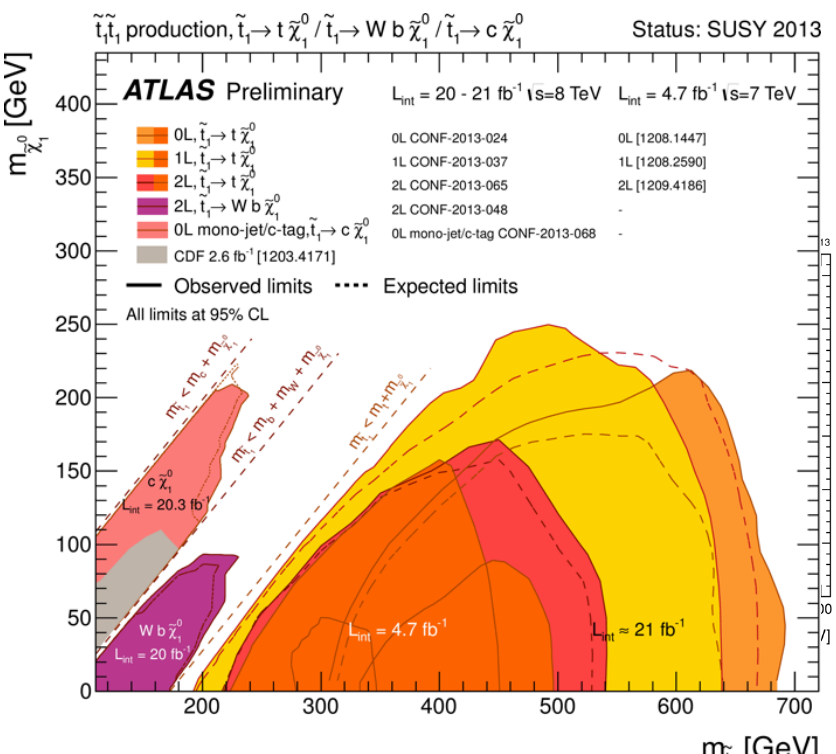
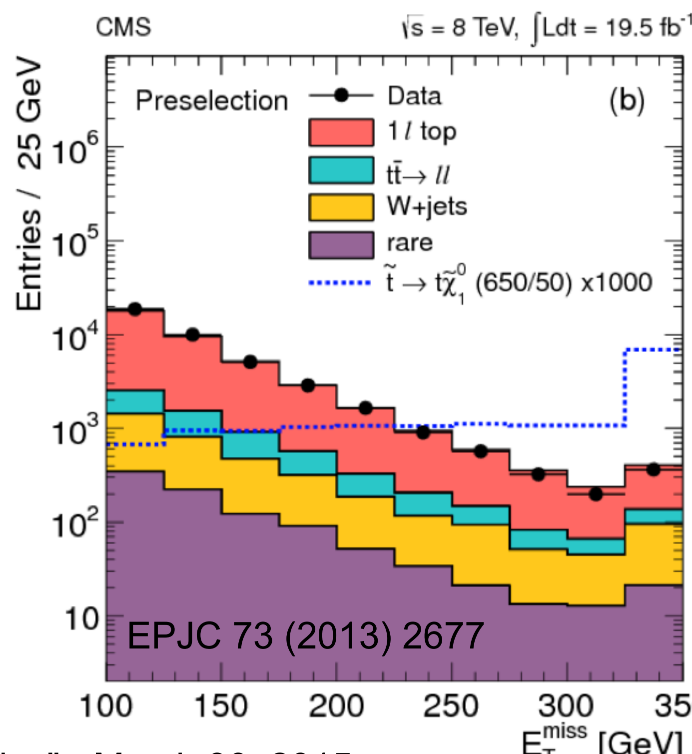
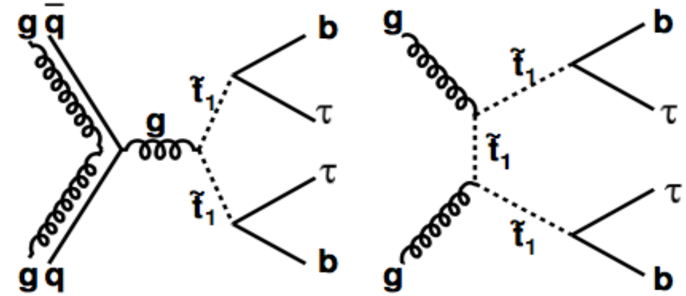




Taus

- 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/μ+ ≥2 jets + MET
- Define 6 regions in: m_T(l,MET) vs N_{jet} plane
- Find 2 evts in signal region (2.2 expected)

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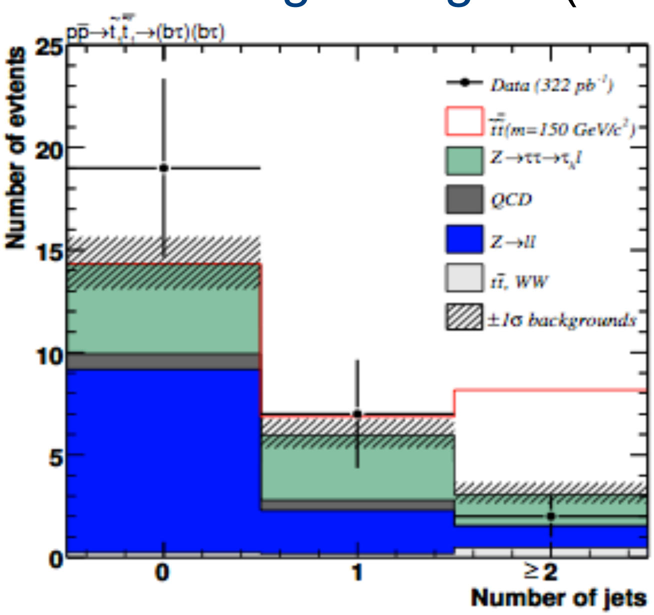
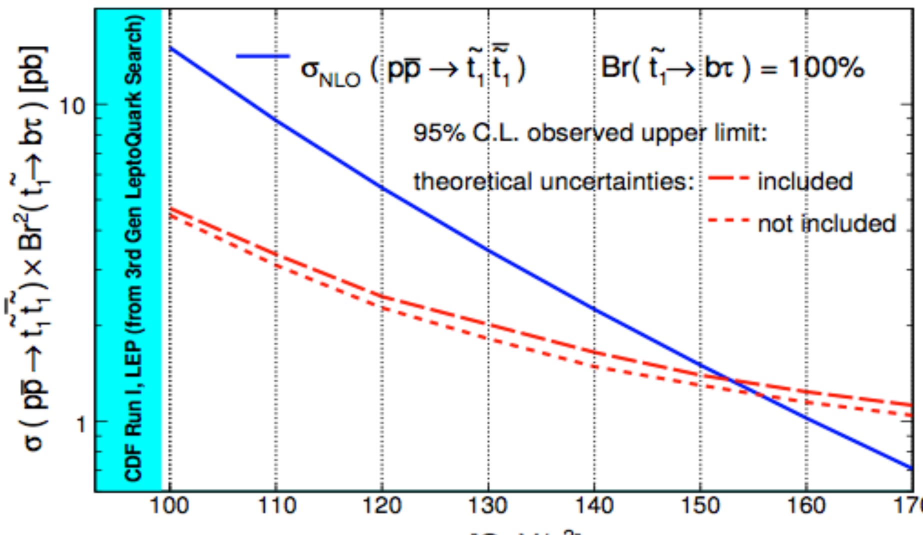
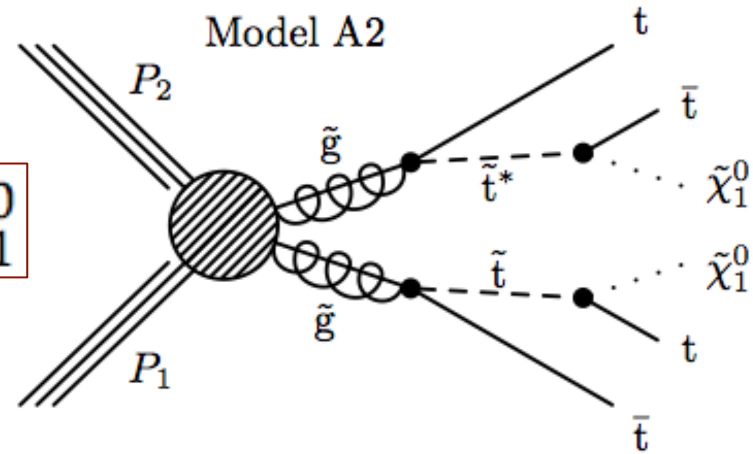




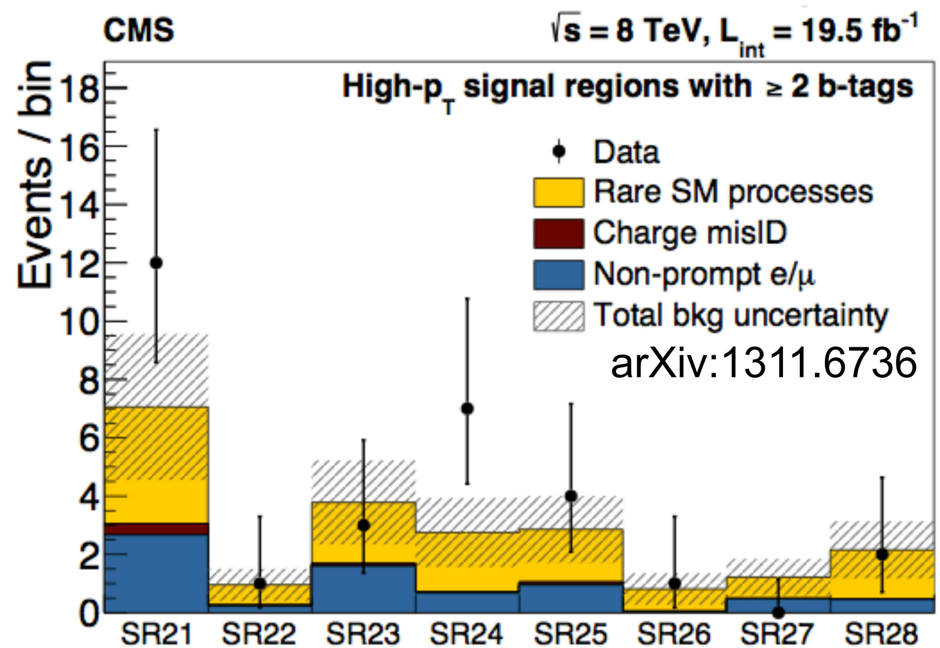
Multi-top production

- Production of 4 tops is an attractive scenario in a number of new physics models
- The SM cross section is a few fb

$$\boxed{tt\bar{t}\bar{t}\tilde{\chi}^0_1\tilde{\chi}^0_1}$$

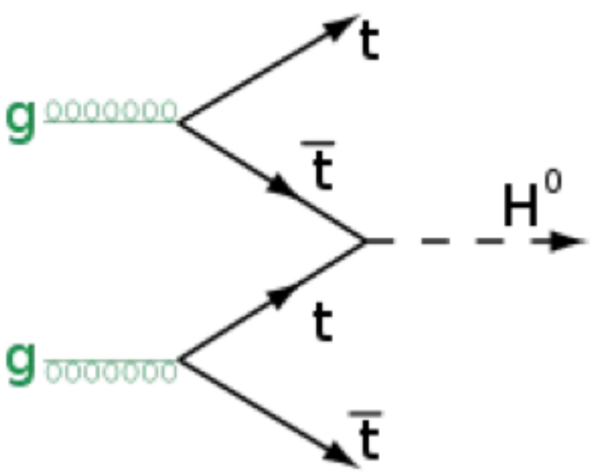


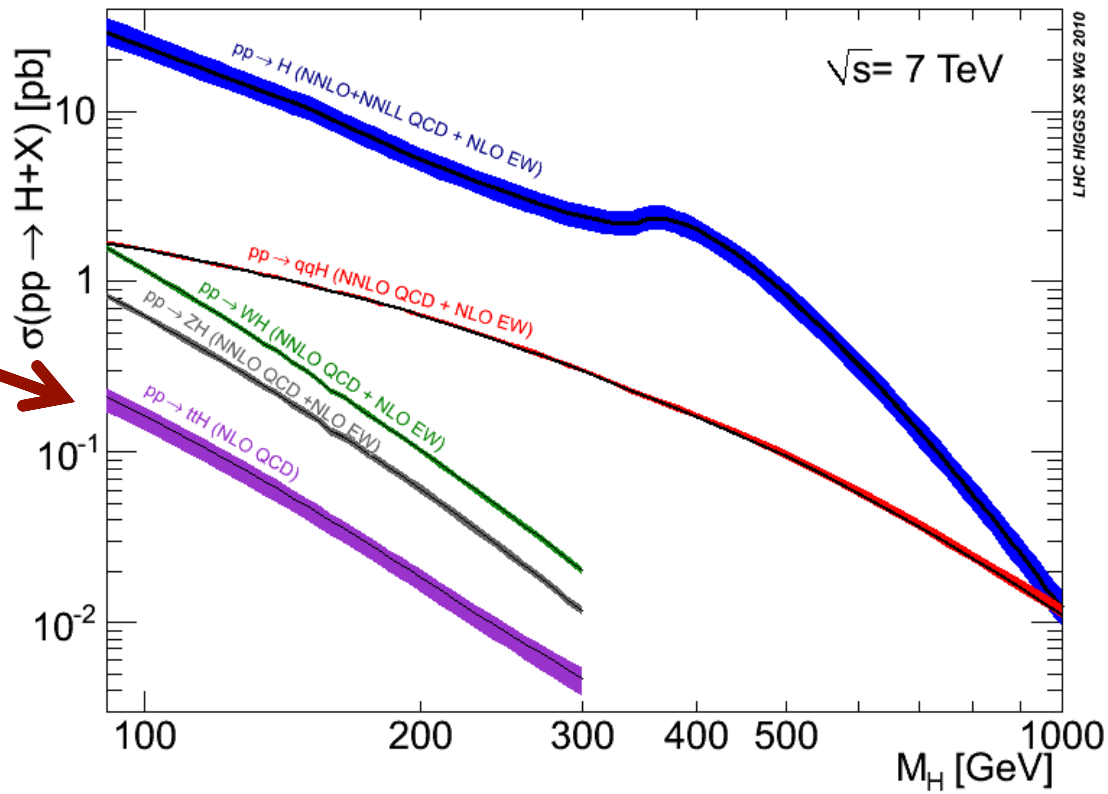
- Search for same-sign dileptons
- Several models studied
- consider multiple search regions defined by MET, hadronic energy, number of (b-) jets, and transverse momenta of the leptons in the events



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.)

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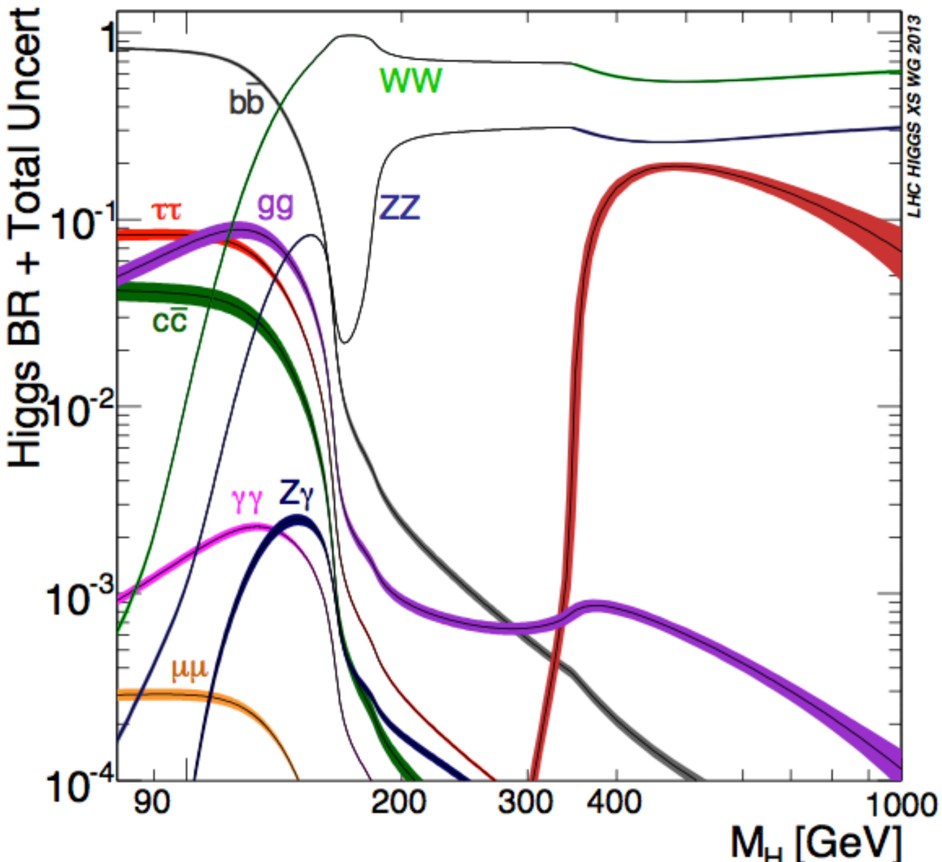
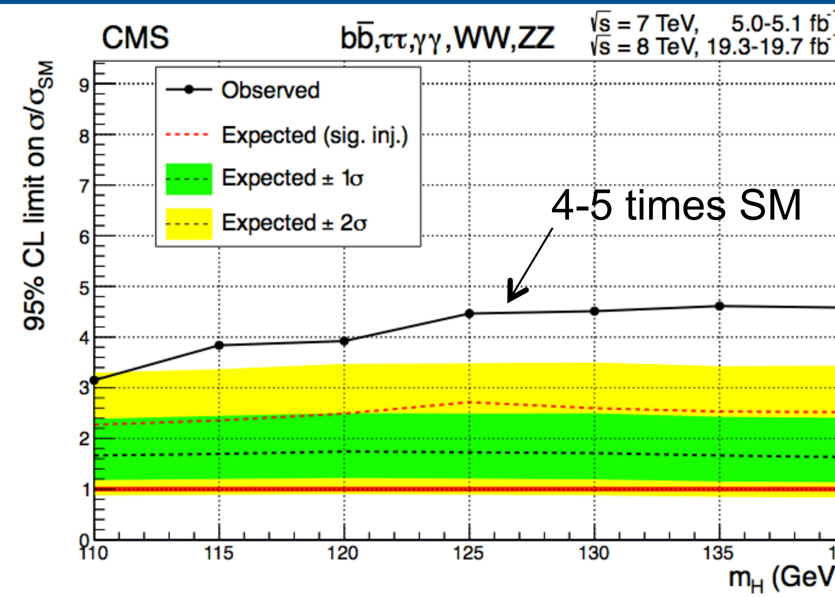
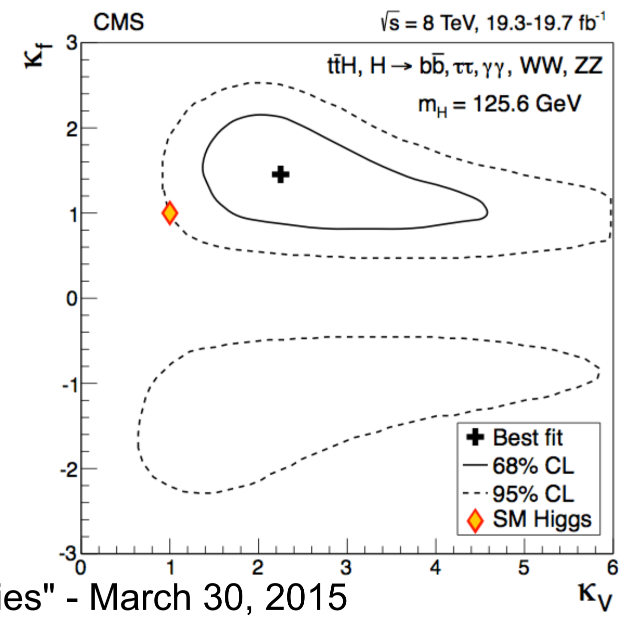
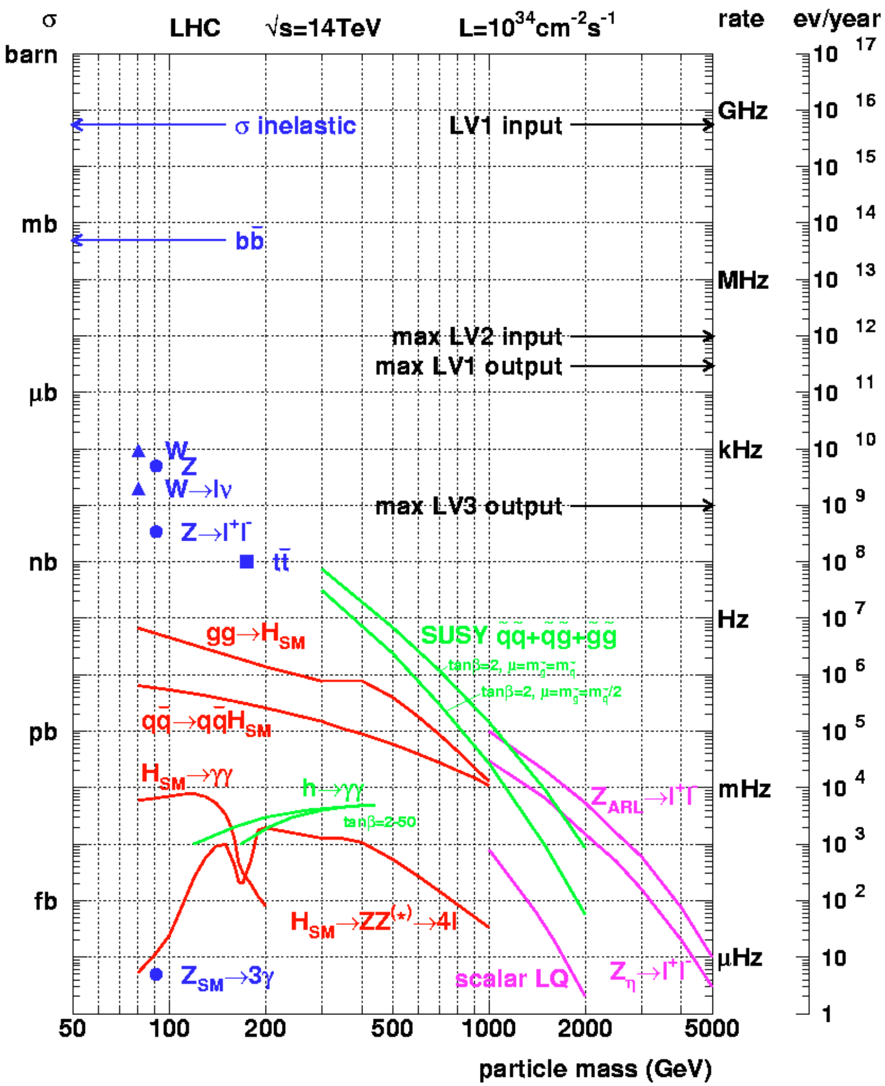
- Search for associated SM Higgs production: ttH
  - Both “dilepton” and “l+jets” channels
- Simultaneous fit for S and B fractions
  - different categories: jet and b-jet multiplicity.







Cross sections at the LHC



"Well known" processes, don't need to keep all of them …

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