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# Top physics at LHC

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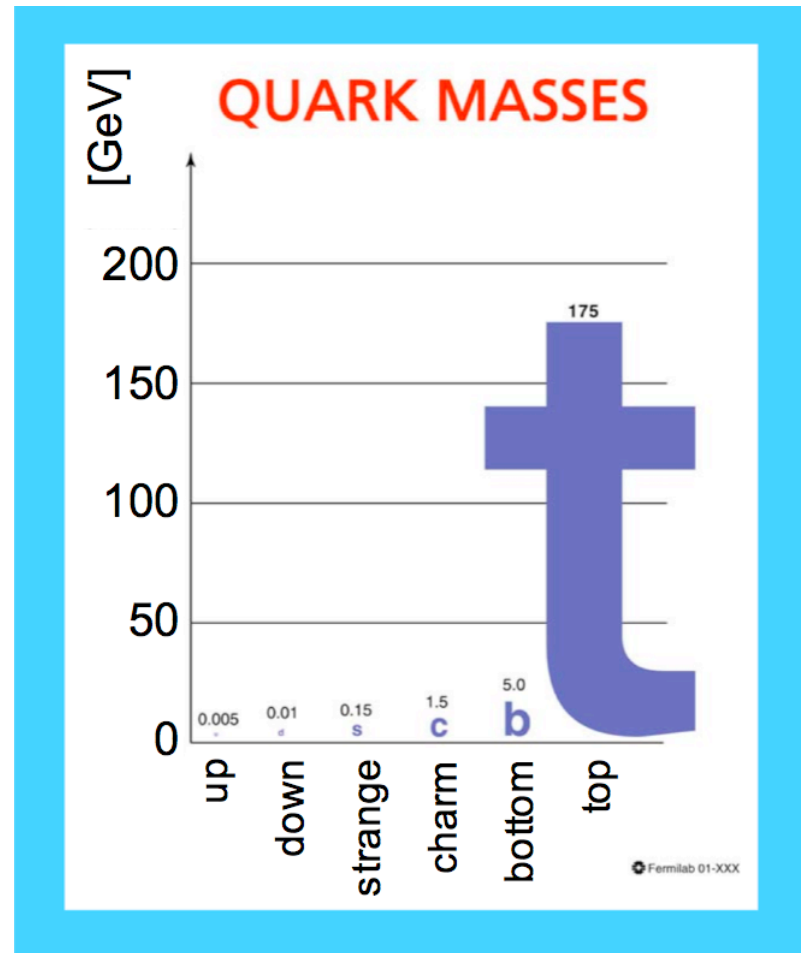
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# Its highness, the top quark

- The up-like quark of the third family, the top quark, has **a mass comparable to a tungsten atom !**
- In other words, **the top – Higgs Yukawa coupling is large ( $\approx 1$ )**:
  - *top is a window to electroweak symmetry breaking*

$$Y = \sqrt{2} \frac{m_{top}}{\text{v.e.v.}(\sim 246 \text{ GeV})}$$

$$\Gamma(H \rightarrow f\bar{f}) = \frac{N_c g^2 m_f^2}{32\pi m_W^2} \beta^3 m_H$$



# Some consequences of the large top mass (the large top-Higgs Yukawa coupling)

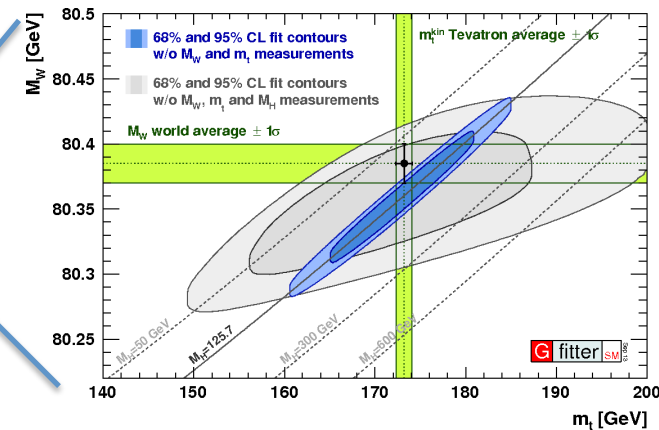
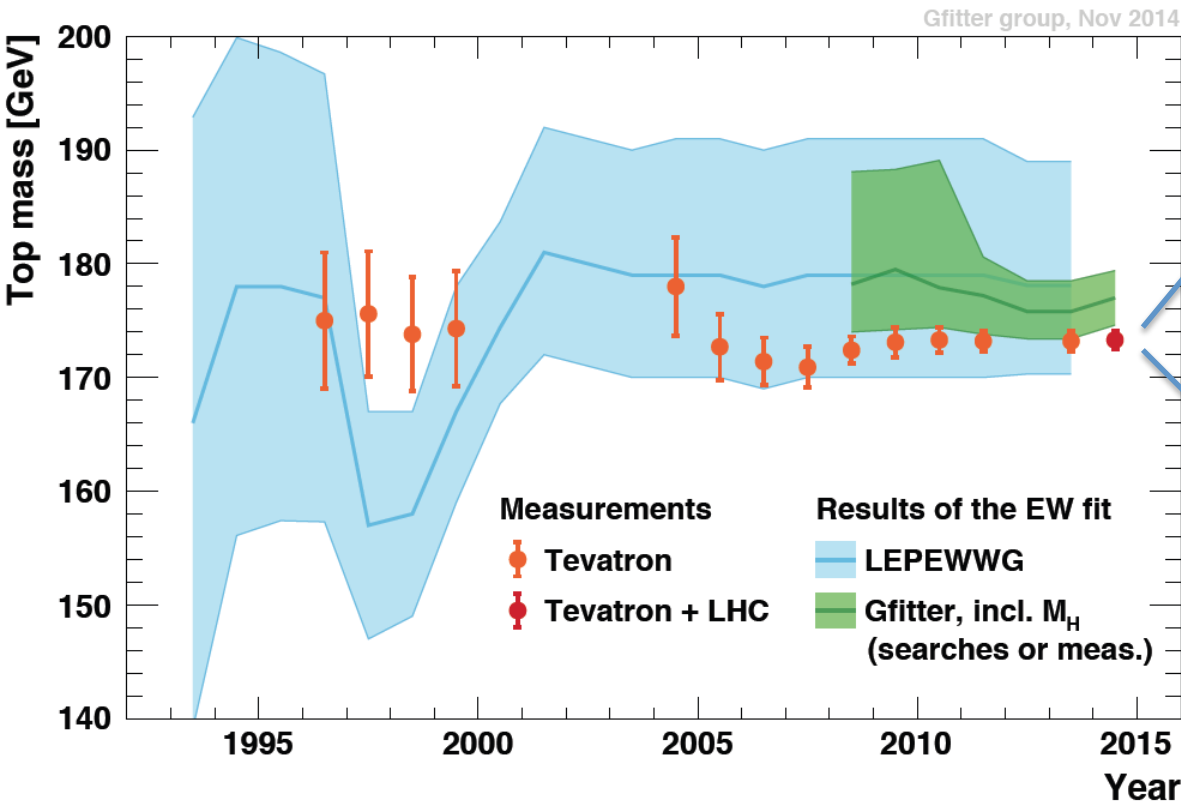
- Due to the non-decoupling properties of electroweak interactions (Veltman, 1977) the top quark gives large contributions to pure EWK radiative corrections  $\approx G_F m_t^2$
- Very short lifetime: bound states are not formed, opportunity to study a free quark

$$\tau_{top} \approx 0.4 \times 10^{-24} \text{ s}$$

$$\Gamma(t \rightarrow bW) = \frac{G_F}{8\pi\sqrt{2}} m_t^3 |V_{tb}|^2 \approx 1.5 \text{ GeV}/c^2.$$



# Top mass and electroweak physics

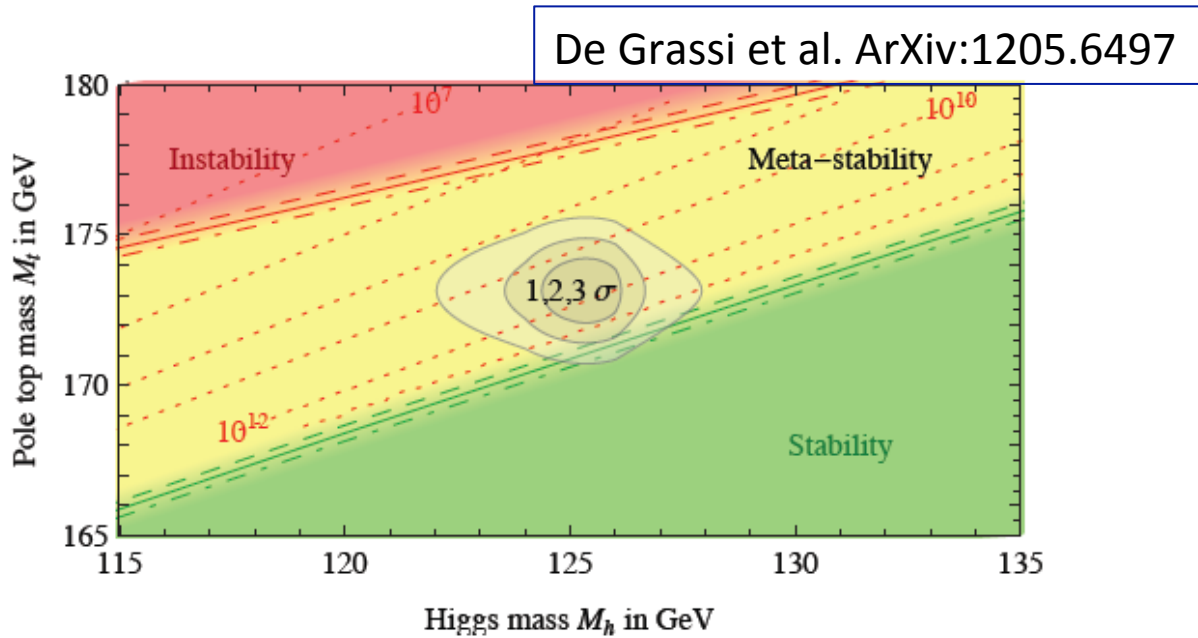
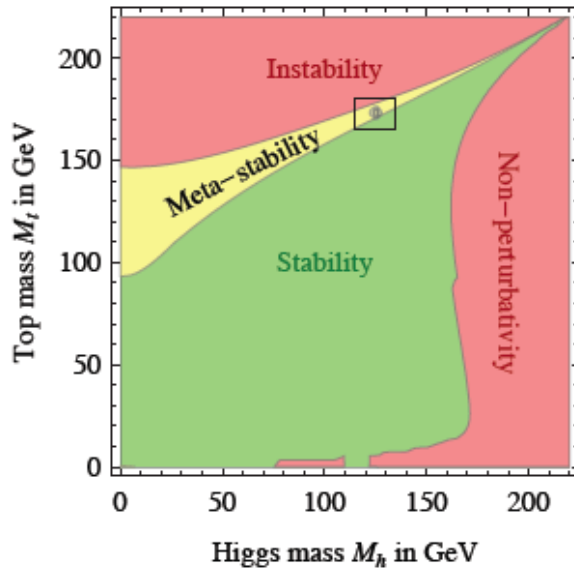


Courtesy of Roman Kogler



# Relation between top and Higgs masses and stability of the vacuum in our universe

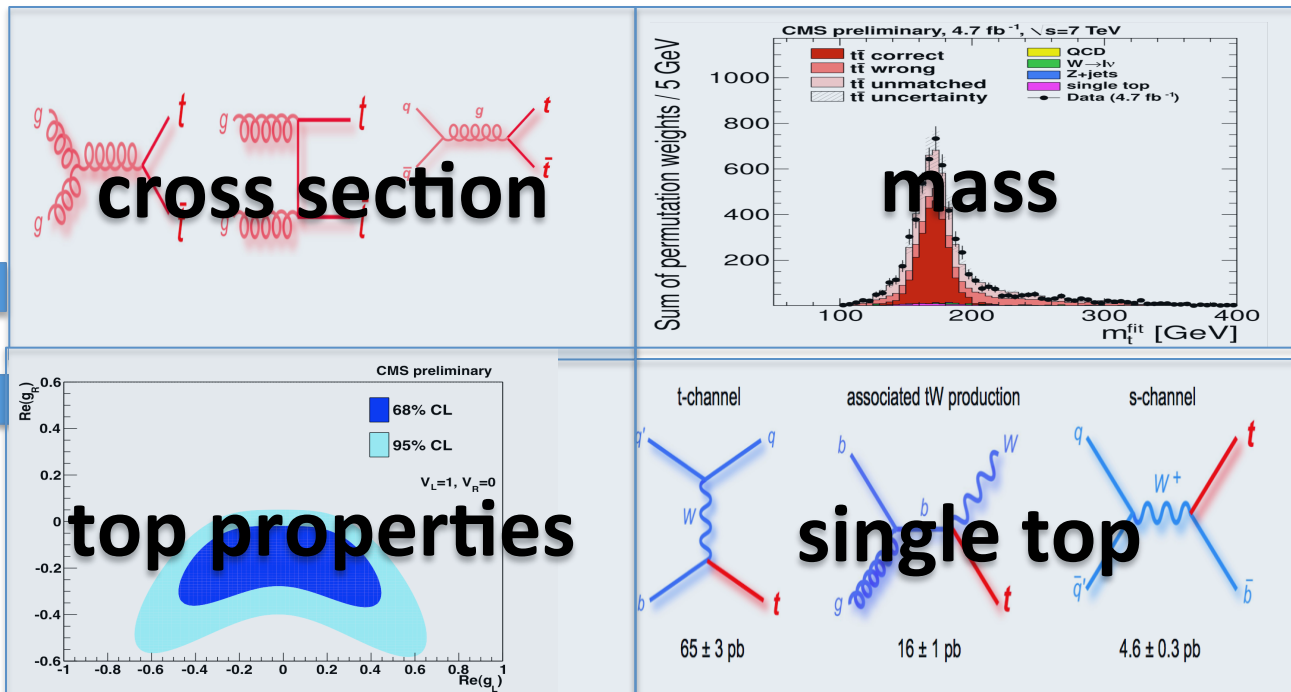
Electroweak Vacuum  $\longrightarrow$   $V = \frac{1}{2} \mu^2 \Phi^2 + \frac{1}{4} \lambda(\text{scale}) \Phi^4$



# The top areas of study

Total and differential cross sections, Test of production mechanism(QCD, EWK),  $t\bar{t}$  +jets production, measure PDF

Precision measurement of top mass,  $\Delta M(t-tbar)$  (CPT test)



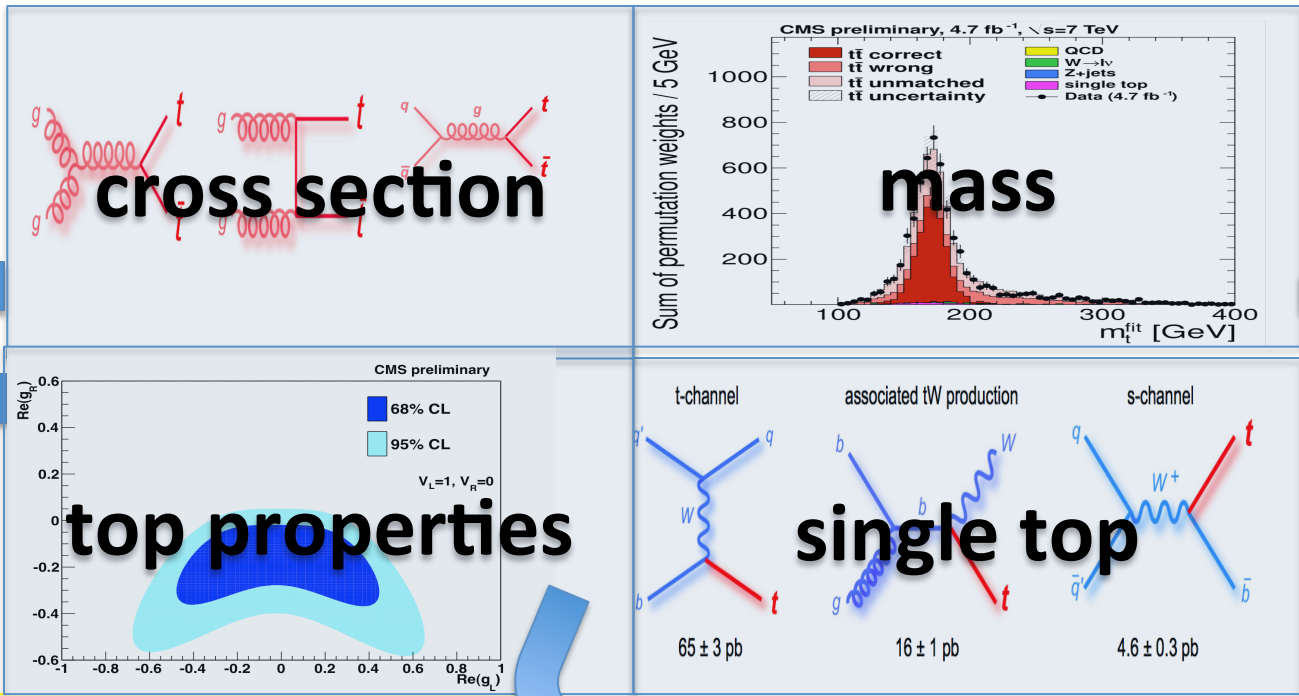
Couplings, branching ratios, charge, width, W helicity, spin correlations, charge asymmetry associated production ( $t\bar{t}W$ ,  $t\bar{t}Z$ ,  $t\bar{t}H$ ,  $t\bar{t}+MET$ )

t, s and tW channels, EWK production properties,  $V_{tb}$  measurement, new physics in single top

# The role of top in the Higgs era

**$t\bar{t}$  is our monitoring for gluon gluon fusion !**

**Do we interpret the top mass correctly when we match top, W and Higgs Masses ?**



**Are top properties consistent with our view of electroweak symmetry breaking ?**

**Is there any sign of new physics in top production and decay ?**



# Top physics at LHC

## *with examples from recent results of ATLAS and CMS*

Disclaimer: what comes next is a personal selection of topics and results, with some emphasis on the top mass measurement, a complete account of the very rich top physics programme covered by ATLAS and CMS can be found at

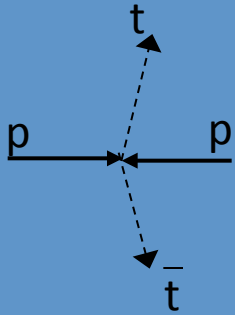
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# TOP PRODUCTION AND DECAY

# Top Quark Production at the LHC

## top pairs

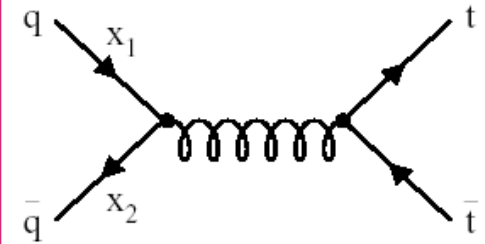
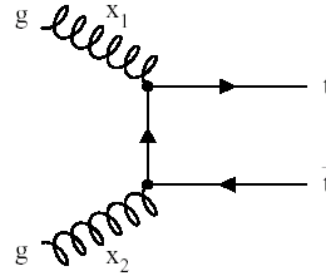
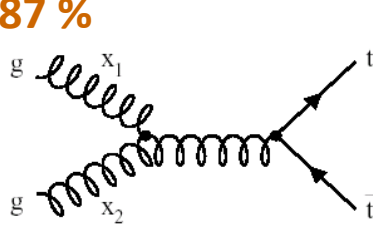


10 tt pairs per day @ Tevatron  
 $qq \rightarrow tt : 85\%$



1 tt pair per second @ LHC  
 $gg \rightarrow tt : 87\%$

**~87 %**

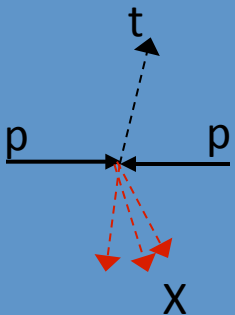


❖ NLO cross-section  $\sigma^{\text{NLO}} = 232 \text{ pb}$  at 8 TeV [?]  $\sim 2 \text{ M events}/10\text{fb}^{-1}$

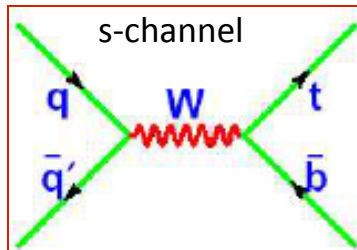
❖ NNLO calculations now available, Czakon, Mitov (2013) arXiv:1303.6254

Some references (not a complete list!): (top pairs) N.Nason *et al.* Nucl.Phys. B303 (1988) 607, S.Catani *et al.* Nucl.Phys. B478 (1996) 273, M.Beneke *et al.* hep-ph/0003033, N.Kidonakis and R.Vogt, Phys.Rev. D68 (2003) 114014, W.Bernreuther *et al.* Nucl.Phys. B690 (2004) 81-137 (single-top) T.Stelzer *et al.* Phys.Rev. D56 (1997) 5919, M.C.Smith and S.Willenbrock Phys.Rev. D54 (1996) 6696, T.M.Tait Phys.Rev. D61 (2000) 034001

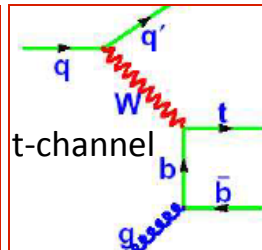
## single-top



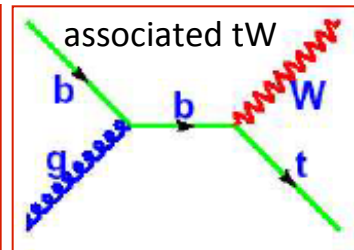
[?] 30 single-tops per minute @ LHC



$\sigma^{\text{NLO}} = 3.4 \text{ pb}$   
 $\sigma^{\text{NLO}} = 2.1 \text{ pb}$



$\sigma^{\text{NLO}} = 53 \text{ pb}$   
 $\sigma^{\text{NLO}} = 30 \text{ pb}$



$\sigma^{\text{NLO}} = 11 \text{ pb}$   
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$\sigma_{\text{top}}$  &  $\sigma_{\text{anti-top}}$  not equal

$\sigma^{\text{NLO}}(\text{total})$  8 TeV = 112 pb

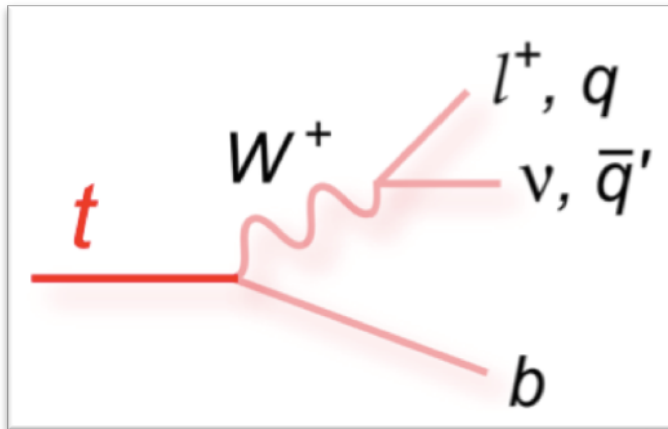
$\sim 1 \text{ M events}/10\text{fb}^{-1}$

→ top production  
 → anti-top production



# Top Quark decays

It decays almost exclusively to  $Wb$ , from CKM elements  $V_{tu}$ ,  $V_{ts}$ ,  $V_{tb}$  :



$$\frac{BR(t \rightarrow Wb)}{BR(t \rightarrow Wq)} \approx 0.99825 \pm 0.00005$$

$$BR(t \rightarrow cZ, c\gamma, cg) \approx O(10^{-33})$$

W decays are used to classify top final states

- Decay topologies for  $t\bar{t}$  :**
- Dileptonic
  - Lepton+jets
  - Fully hadronic

**For single top measurements only W leptonic decays are used**

# ttbar topologies

## Top Pair Decay Channels

**Lepton + jets  $\approx 34\%$**   
 Low background  
 Main background:  
 W + jet

**Dileptonic  $\approx 6\%$**   
 Very low background  
 main background:  
 Drell-Yan

$\bar{c}s$	electron+jets	muon+jets	tau+jets	all-hadronic		
$\bar{u}d$						
$\tau^-$	$e\tau$	$\mu\tau$	$\tau\tau$	tau+jets		
$\mu^-$	$e\mu$	$\mu\mu$	$\mu\tau$	muon+jets		
$e^-$	$e\mu$	$e\mu$	$e\tau$	electron+jets		
W decay	$e^+$	$\mu^+$	$\tau^+$	$u\bar{d}$	$c\bar{s}$	

**Fully hadronic  $\approx 46\%$**   
 important background  
 from QCD multijet  
 events

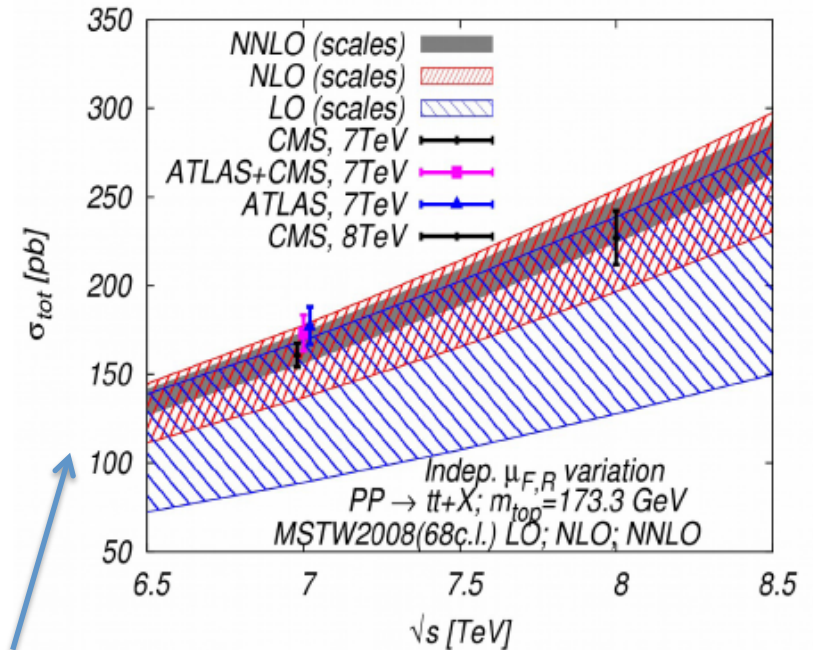
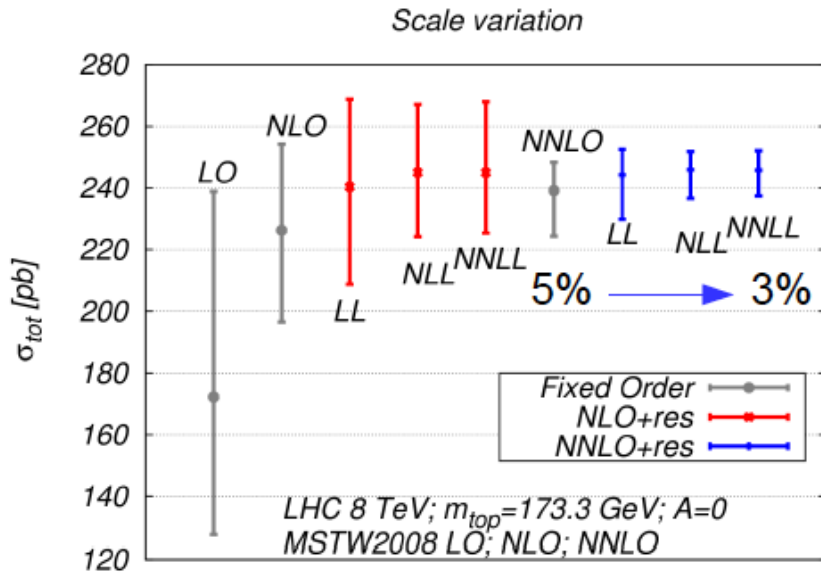
**Tau channels  $\approx 14\%$**   
 Important background  
 from W + jet, QCD,  
 other ttbar decays

# **THE INCLUSIVE CROSS SECTION**



# Inclusive cross section computed at NNLO (+NNLL)

[Czakon, Fiedler, Mitov; 2013]



## Uncertainties

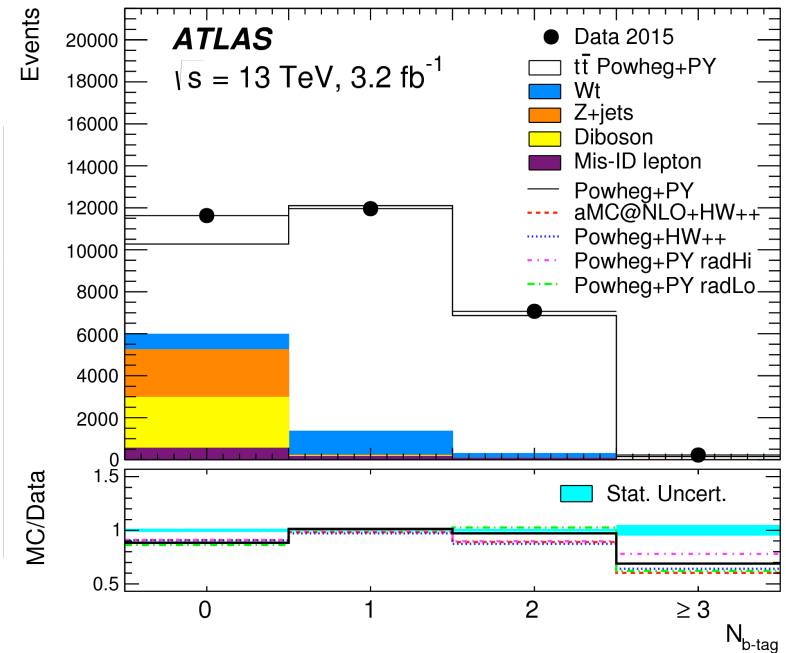
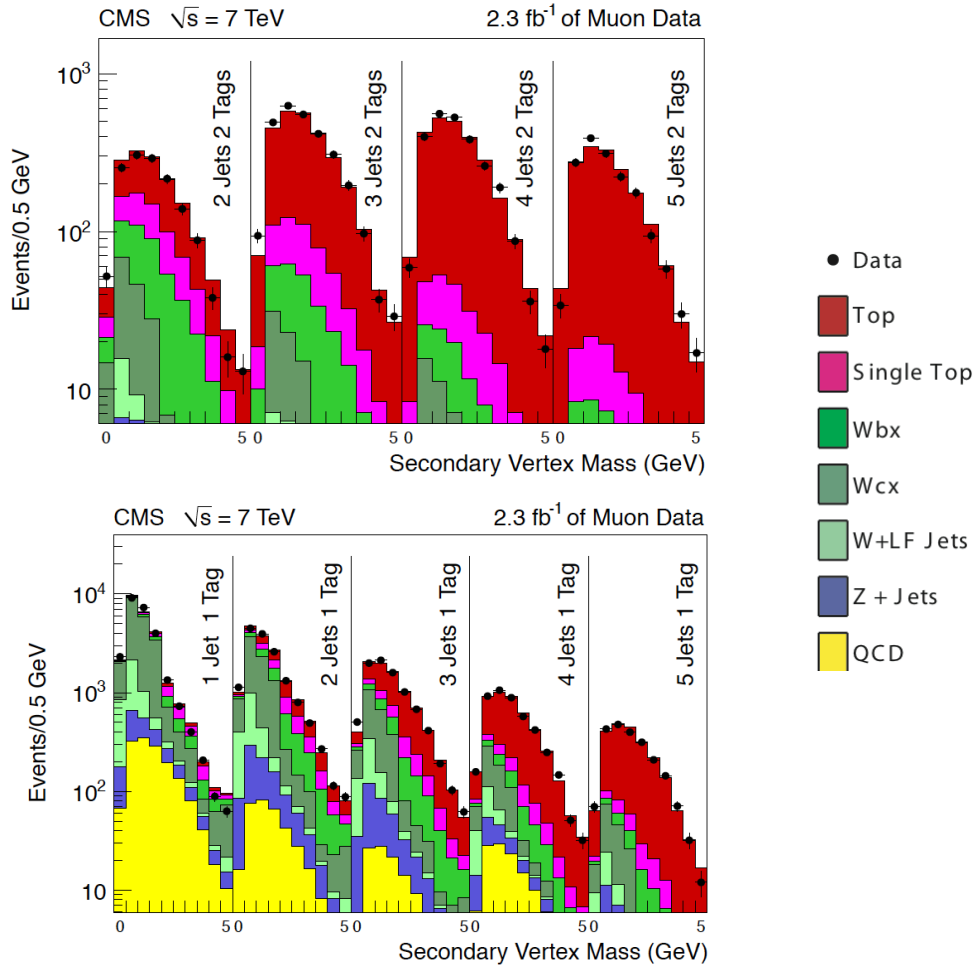
- Scales:  $\sim 3\%$
- PDF (68% cl):  $\sim 2 - 3\%$
- Top - mass:  $\sim 3\%$
- Coupling:  $\sim 1.5\%$

good perturbative convergence

Collider	$\sigma_{\text{tot}} [\text{pb}]$	scales [pb]	pdf [pb]
Tevatron	7.164	+0.110(1.5%) -0.200(2.8%)	+0.169(2.4%) -0.122(1.7%)
LHC 7 TeV	172.0	+4.4(2.6%) -5.8(3.4%)	+4.7(2.7%) -4.8(2.8%)
LHC 8 TeV	245.8	+6.2(2.5%) -8.4(3.4%)	+6.2(2.5%) -6.4(2.6%)
LHC 14 TeV	953.6	+22.7(2.4%) -33.9(3.6%)	+16.2(1.7%) -17.8(1.9%)

# Leptons+jets and dileptons (e, $\mu$ )

- Excellent background control thanks to jet categorization, b tagging and in situ measurement of jet-energy scale

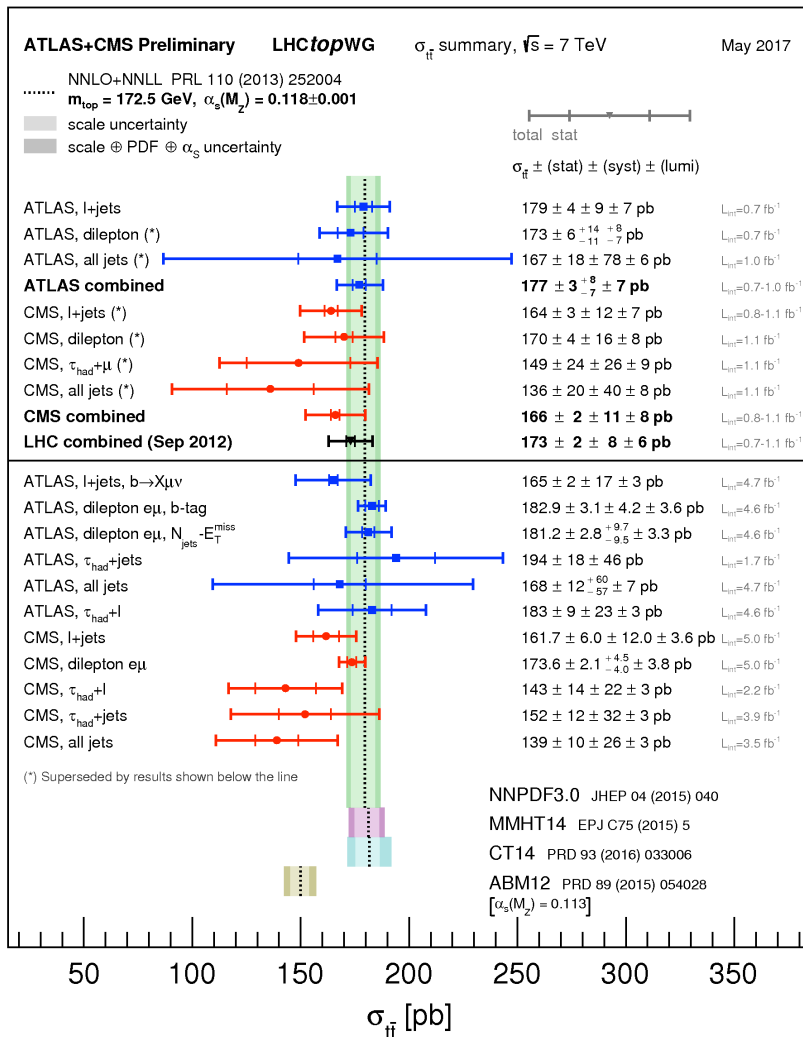


*Phys. Lett. B761 (2016) 136*

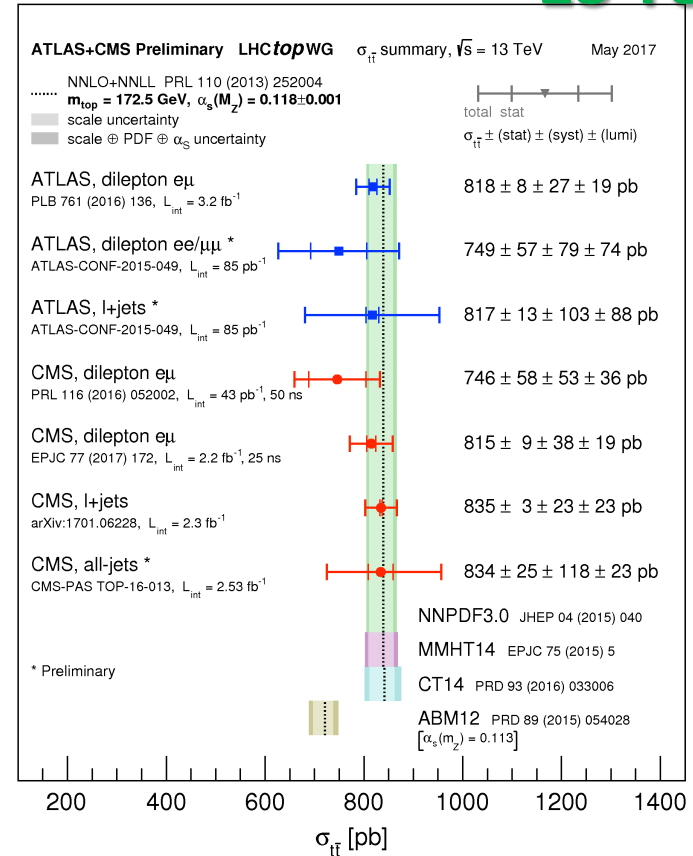
*Phys. Lett. B 720 (2013) 83-104*

# Inclusive top pair cross-sections

7 TeV



13 TeV



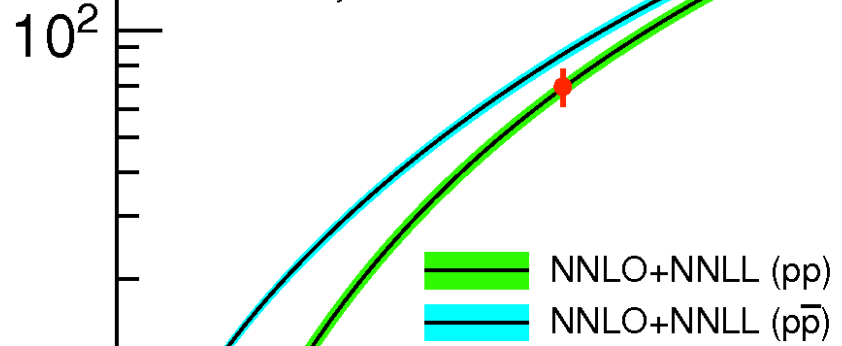
- All channels covered and consistent with SM
- Good agreement with NNLO+NNLL
- Precision of  $\sim 4\%$  (di-lepton channel), similar to theoretical prediction

Inclusive  $t\bar{t}$  cross section [pb]

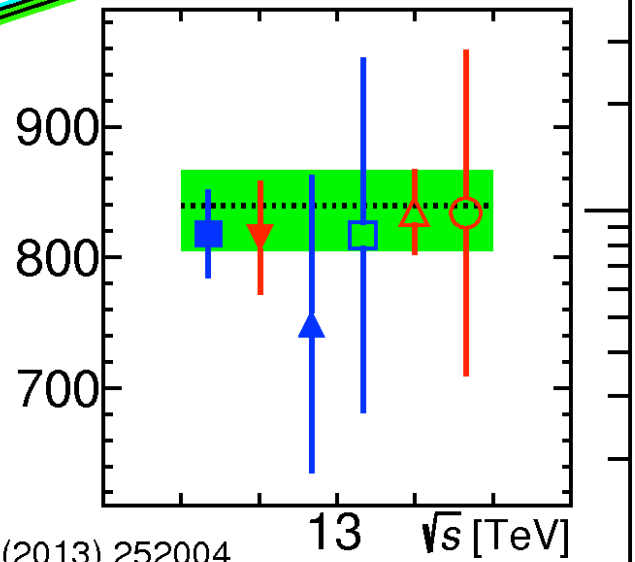
**ATLAS+CMS Preliminary** May 2017  
**LHCTopWG**

- ▽ Tevatron combined 1.96 TeV ( $L \leq 8.8 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )
- CMS dilepton, l+jets\* 5.02 TeV ( $L = 27.4 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ )
- ATLAS  $e\mu$  7 TeV ( $L = 4.6 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )
- CMS  $e\mu$  7 TeV ( $L = 5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )
- ATLAS  $e\mu$  8 TeV ( $L = 20.2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )
- CMS  $e\mu$  8 TeV ( $L = 19.7 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )
- ▽ LHC combined  $e\mu$  8 TeV ( $L = 5.3\text{-}20.3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )
- ATLAS  $e\mu$  13 TeV ( $L = 3.2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )
- ▽ CMS  $e\mu$  13 TeV ( $L = 2.2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )
- ▲ ATLAS  $ee/\mu\mu^*$  13 TeV ( $L = 85 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ )
- ATLAS l+jets\* 13 TeV ( $L = 85 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ )
- △ CMS l+jets 13 TeV ( $L = 2.3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )
- CMS all-jets\* 13 TeV ( $L = 2.53 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )

\* Preliminary



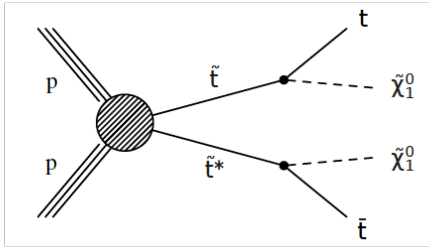
Czakon, Fiedler, Mitov, PRL 110 (2013) 252004  
 NNPDF3.0,  $m_{\text{top}} = 172.5 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.118 \pm 0.001$



$\sqrt{s}$  [TeV]

# Top Squark Pair Production

arXiv:1603.02303



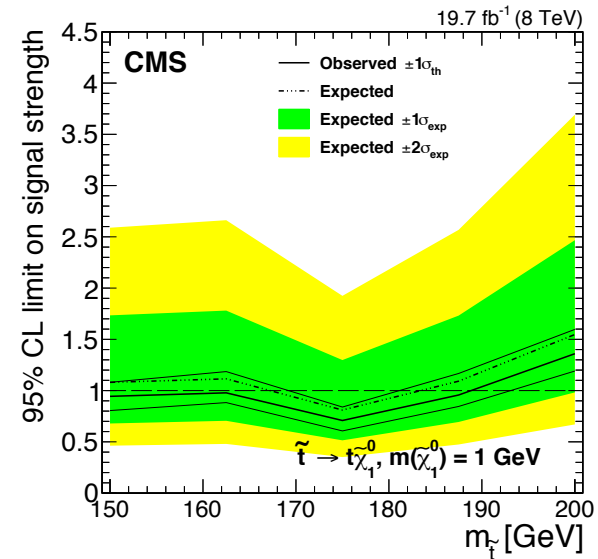
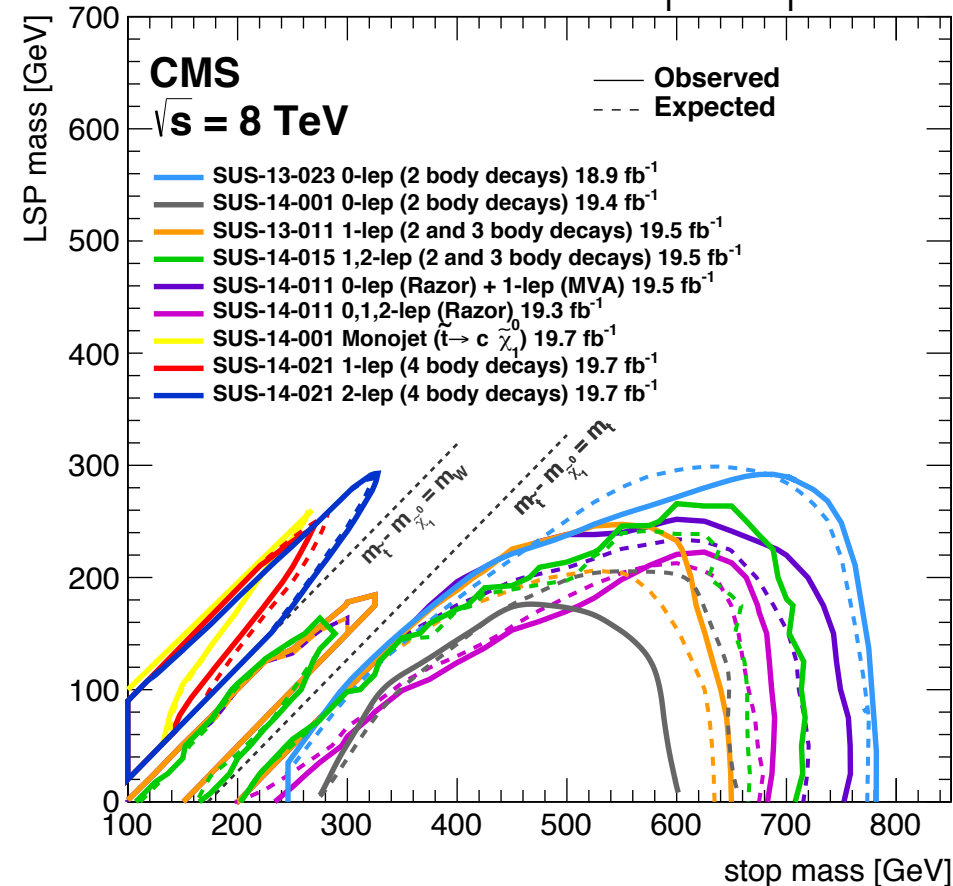
$$m(\tilde{t}) \approx m(\tilde{\chi}_1^0) + m_t \longrightarrow \sigma_{t\bar{t}} \text{ (and } t\bar{t} \text{ spin correlations)}$$

more sensitive than standard SUSY searches for low  $m(\tilde{\chi}_1^0)$  and  $m(\tilde{t}) \approx m_t$

$\tilde{t}\text{-}\tilde{t}^*$  production,  $\tilde{t} \rightarrow t \tilde{\chi}_1^0 / c \tilde{\chi}_1^0$

Simplified model with two parameters:

$$m(\tilde{t}), m(\tilde{\chi}_1^0)$$

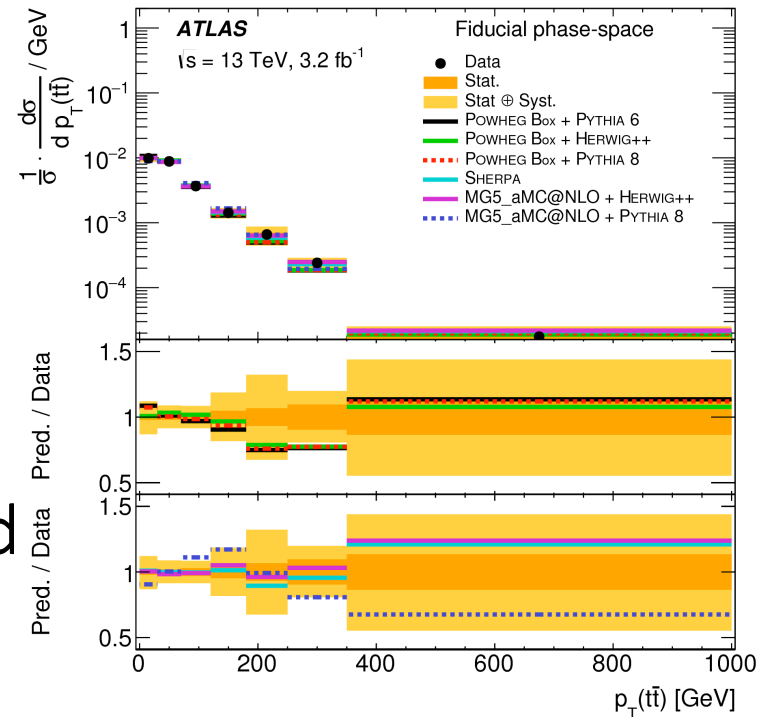


$$m(\tilde{t}; \tilde{\chi}_1^0 = 1 \text{ GeV}) > 189 \text{ GeV}$$

$$m(\tilde{t}; \tilde{\chi}_1^0) \notin 185 - 189 \text{ GeV}$$

# Differential cross sections

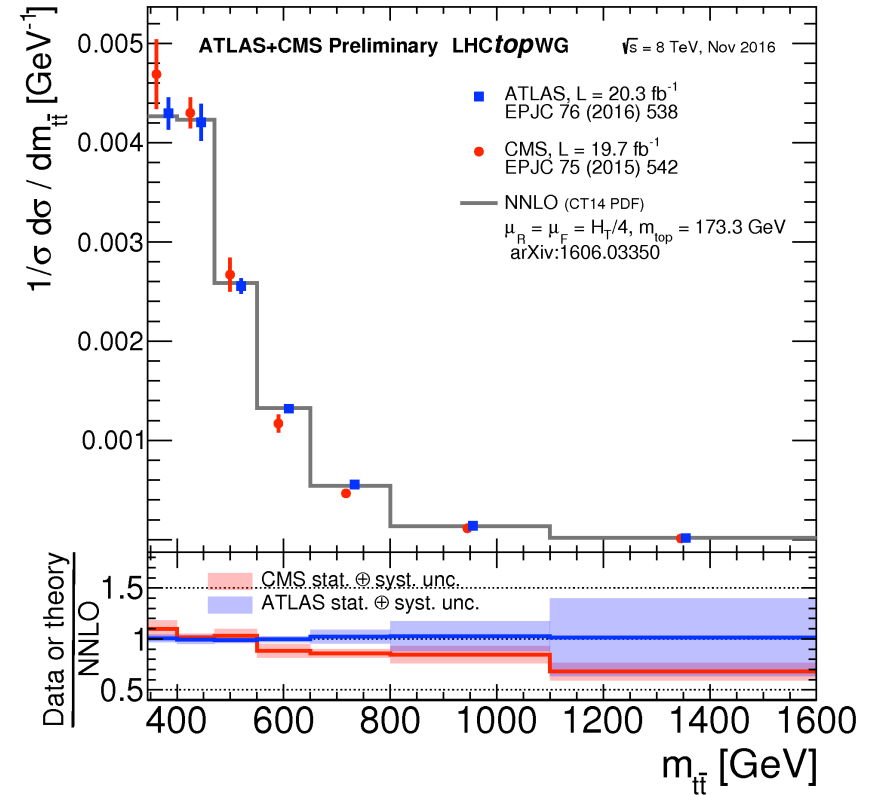
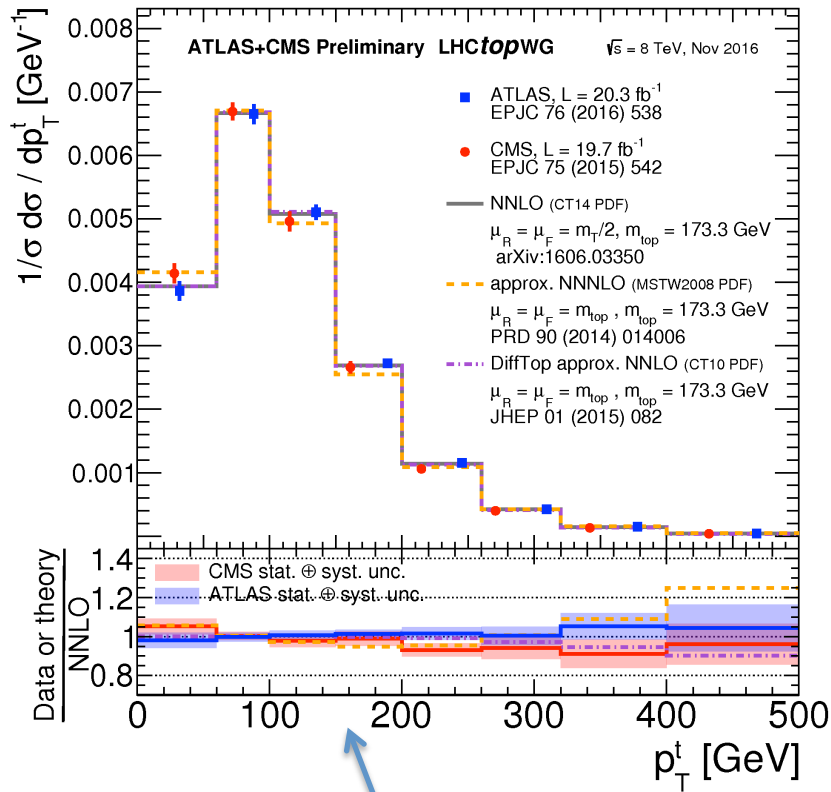
- Important measurements, they play an important role
  - investigate limitations of present MC (which QCD predictions and models describe our data best, in the search areas like high  $m(t\bar{t})$  and high multiplicities)
  - will provide independent interpretations (e.g. mass AND  $\alpha_s$  from cross section)



[Eur. Phys. J. C77 \(2017\) 299](#)

# Differential cross sections

Comparisons of ATLAS and CMS results with common particle-level cross section definition to NNLO calculations

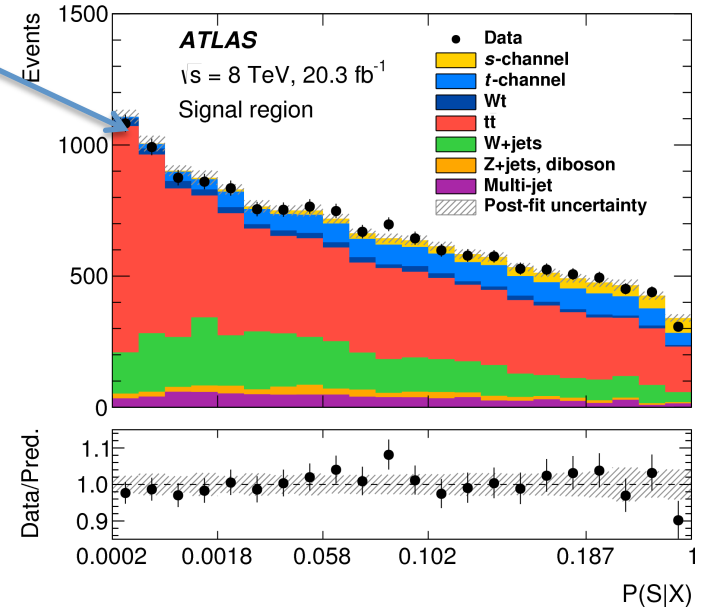
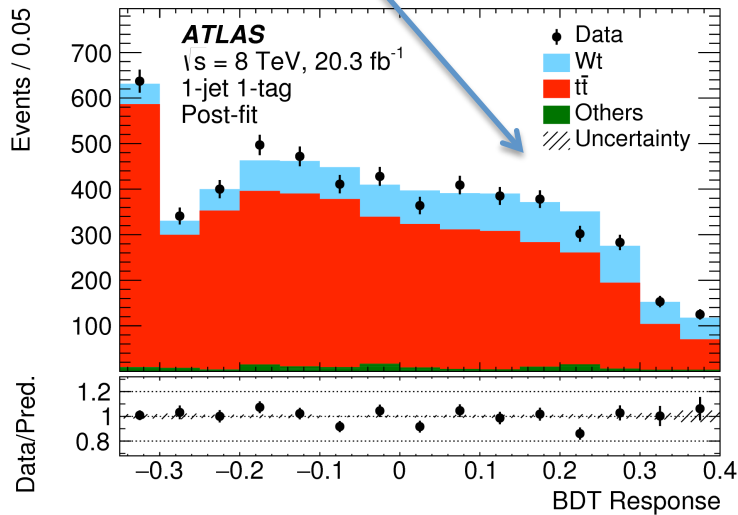
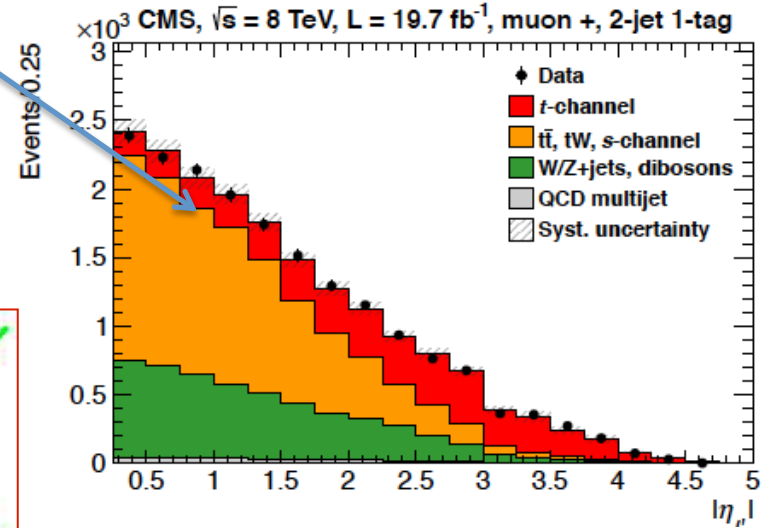
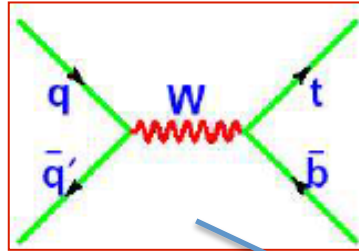
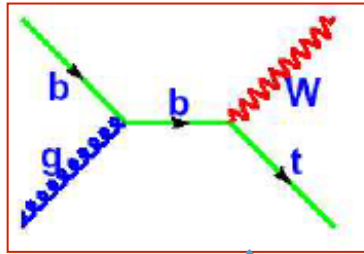
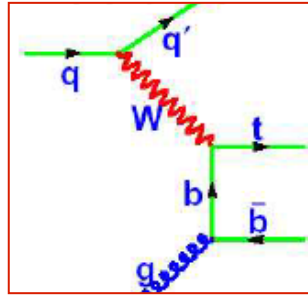


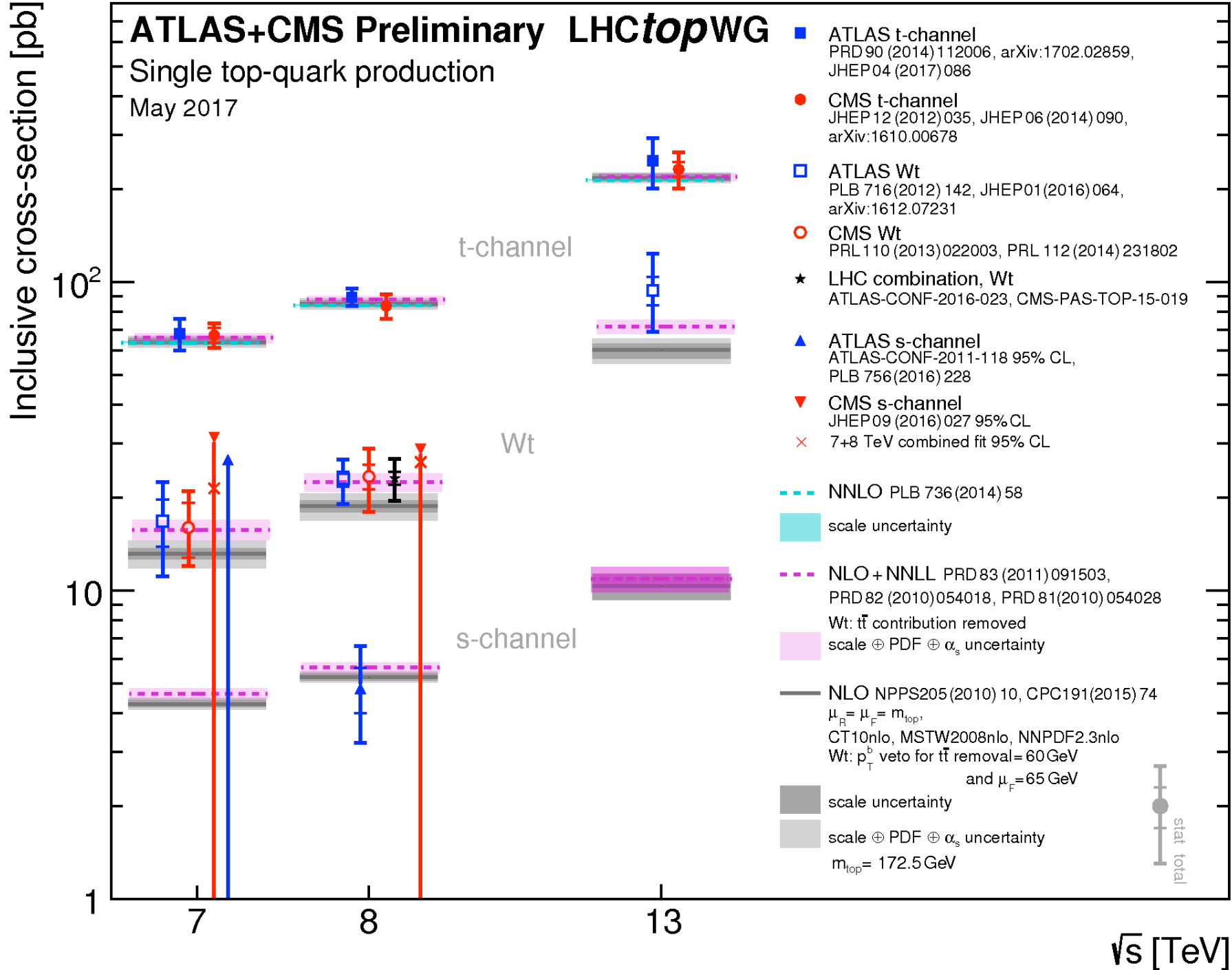
Long standing “tension” between data and MC for top  $p_T$  essentially disappears at NNLO



# Single top production

From t-channel to Wt and s-channels: different features and very different S/B

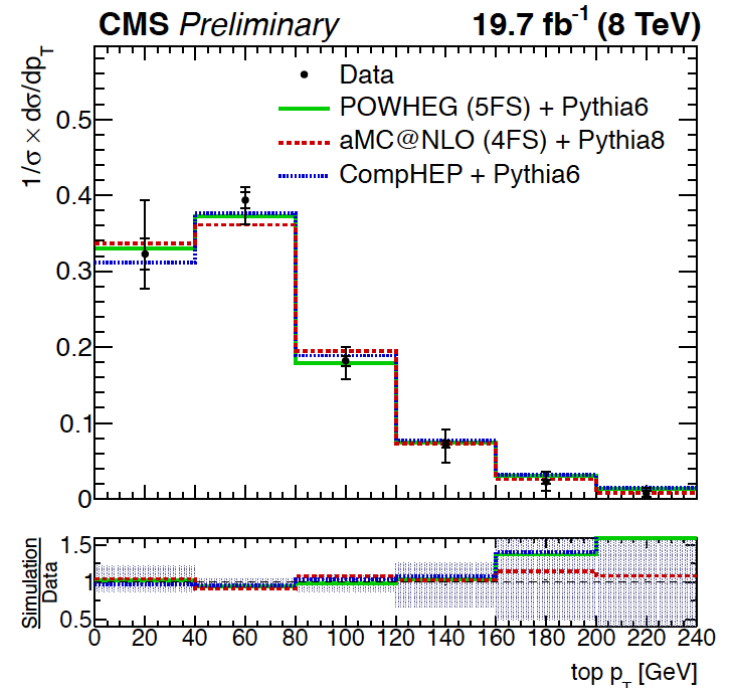
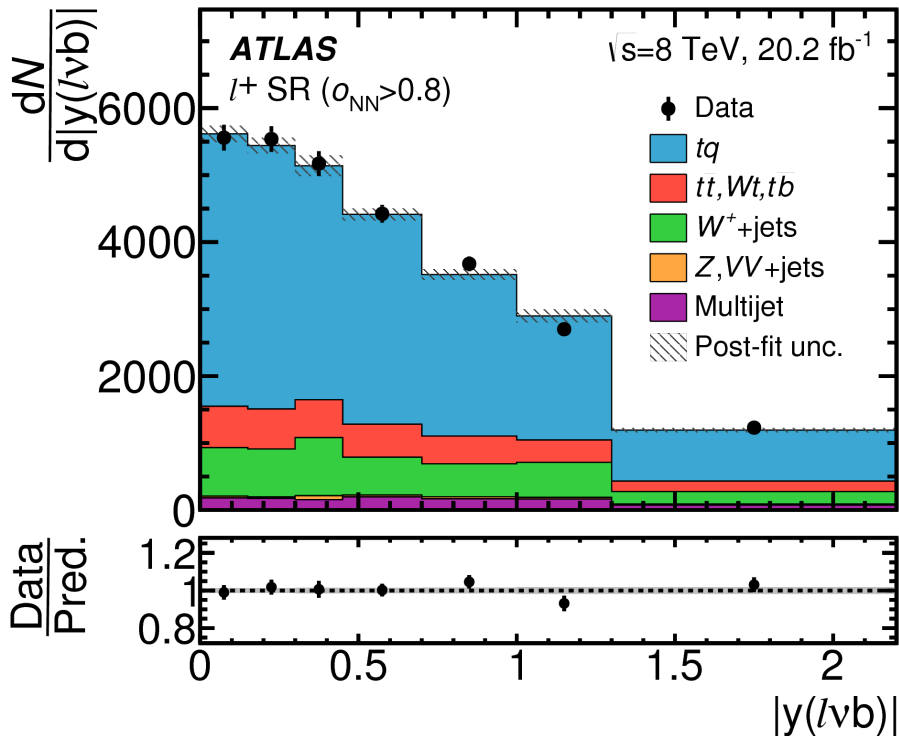




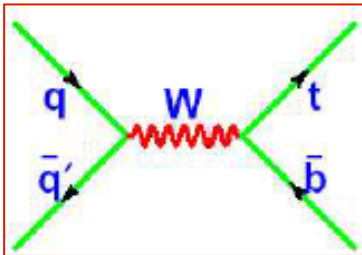
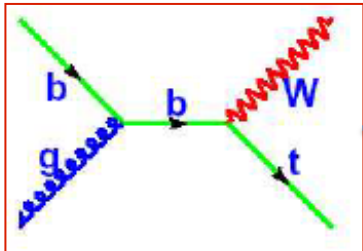
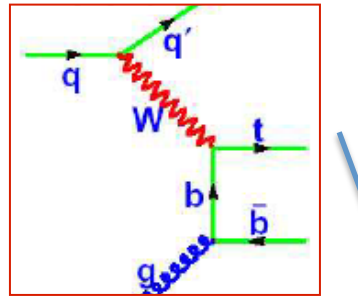
# Differential cross sections now available also for single top !

[arXiv:1702.02859](https://arxiv.org/abs/1702.02859)

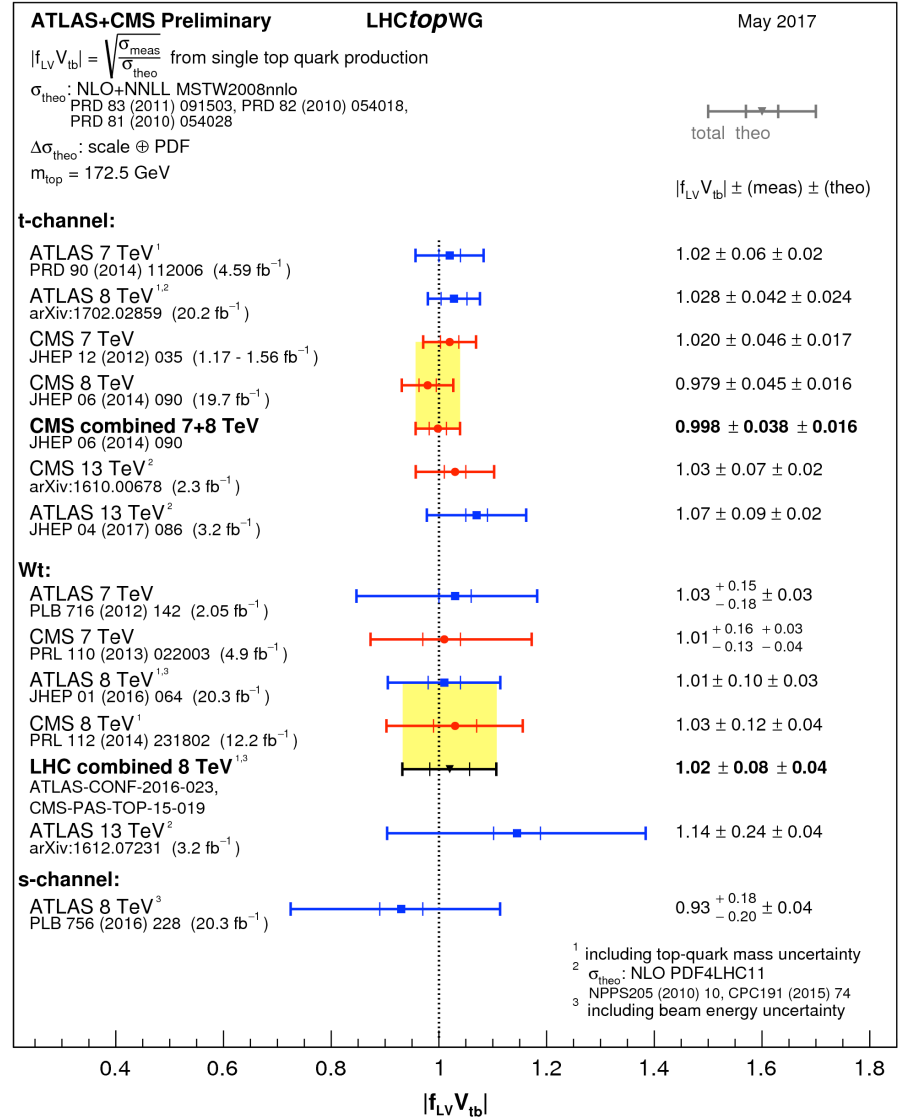
CMS-PAS-TOP-14-004



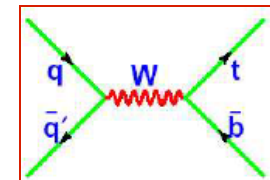
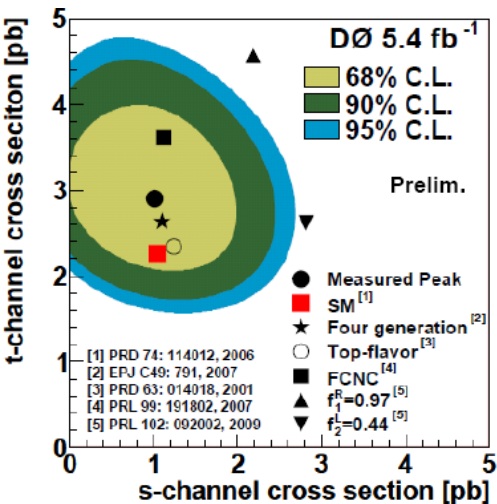
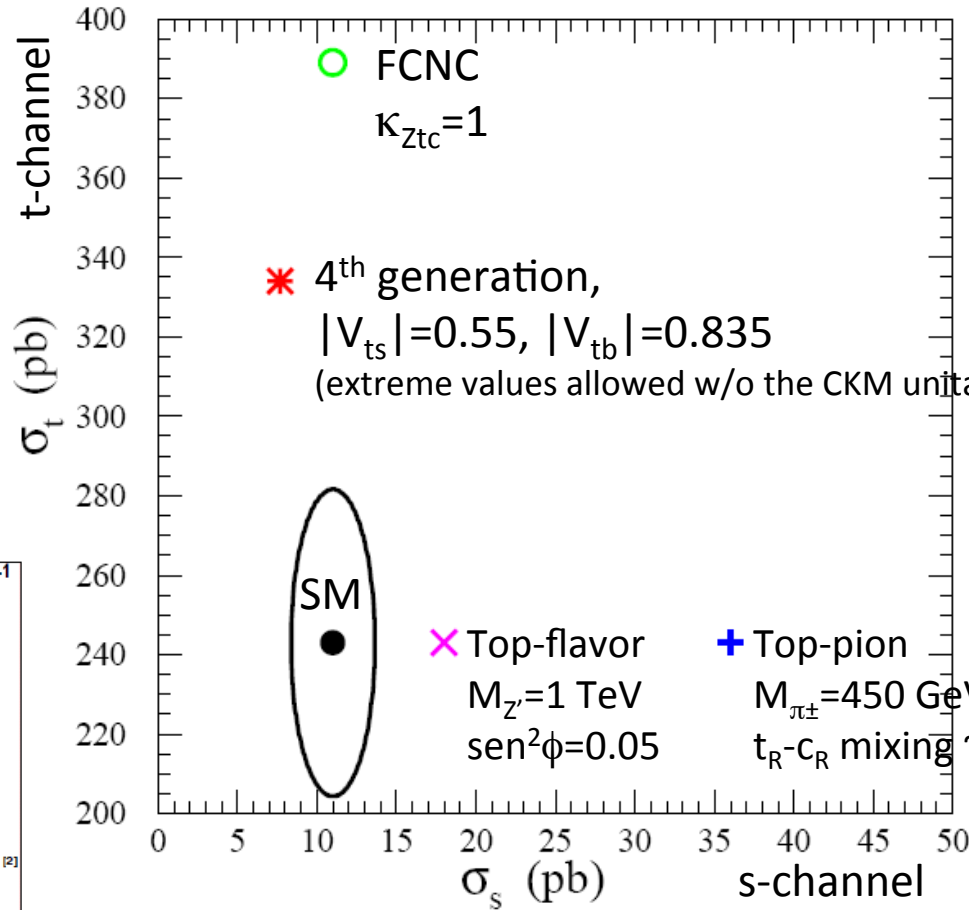
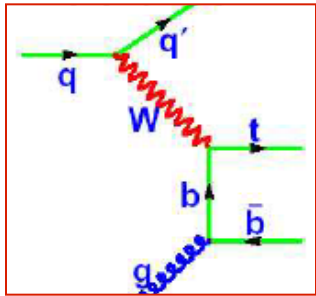
# Single top and $|V_{tb}|$



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



# Single top in t and s channel sensitive to different aspects of New Physics (tW, too !)



# **EXPERIMENTAL METHODS FOR TOP MASS MEASUREMENTS:**

- DETAILED EXAMPLE IN THE LEPTON+JETS**
- OTHER CHANNELS**
- WHAT ARE WE MEASURING ?**
- ALTERNATIVE METHODS**
- DIFFERENTIAL TOP MASS**

# Methods for top mass measurement (1)

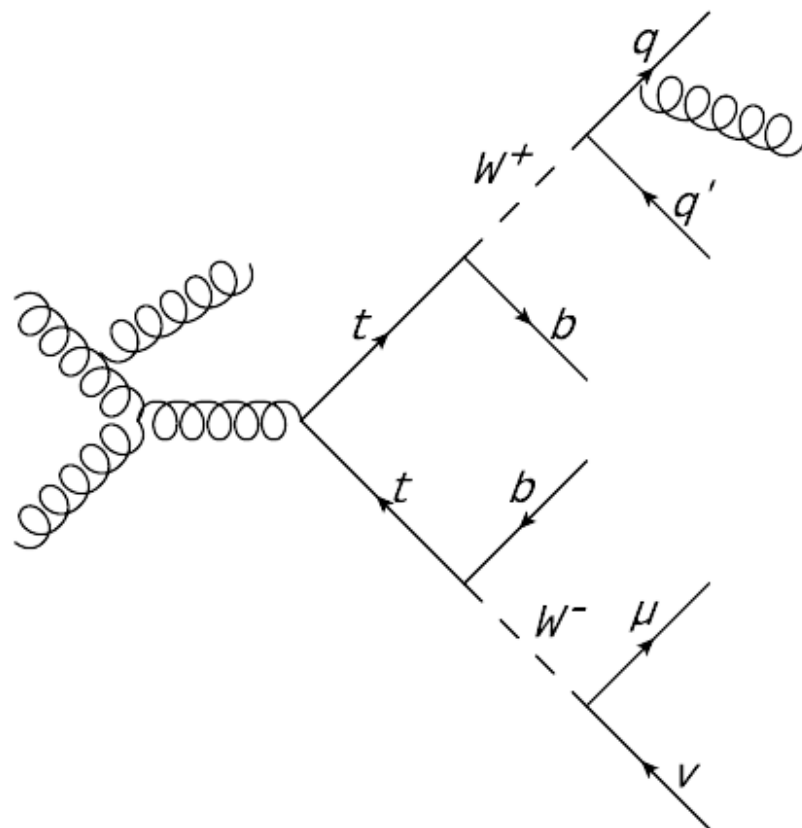
- *Standard methods* at hadron colliders: measure the top mass from the decay products in a specific **top pair decay channel**
  - from the simplest versions: **measure invariant mass of, e.g. three jets in lepton+jets events**
  - to the more sophisticated versions: **use of the full event information to gain sensitivity, e.g. Matrix Element method**
- The *standard methods* are the most precise with the current statistics
  - they are used in current LHC, Tevatron, World combinations
  - the top mass in EWK fits comes from these methods
- Crucial points for the *standard methods*
  - accurate calibration of physics objects, in particular Jet Energy Scale: use of kinematic fits for JES calibration in situ, e.g. **use the W mass to constraint light quarks jet energy scale (JES) from two-jet invariant mass**
  - associate measured objects (jets, leptons, missing  $E_T$ ) to top candidate: **e.g. use b-tagging to choose the right b-jet for the 3-jet combination**



# Event selection: lepton+jets final state

[example from CMS, TOP-14-001 / arXiv:1509.04044]

- Trigger for isolated muon [or electron] + jets ( $p_T > 24$  GeV [27 GeV])
- Exactly 1 isolated lepton with  $p_T > 33$  GeV,  $|\eta| < 2.1$  (veto additional isolated e,  $\mu$ )
- $\geq 4$  “particle flow” jets (anti-kt,  $R = 0.5$ ) with  $p_T > 30$  GeV,  $|\eta| < 2.4$
- 2 jets b-tagged among the 4 leading jets
- Composition:
  - 93%  $\bar{t}t$ , 4%  $W$ +jets, 2% single-top, 1% other
- 105000 events in  $19.7 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  at 8 TeV selected

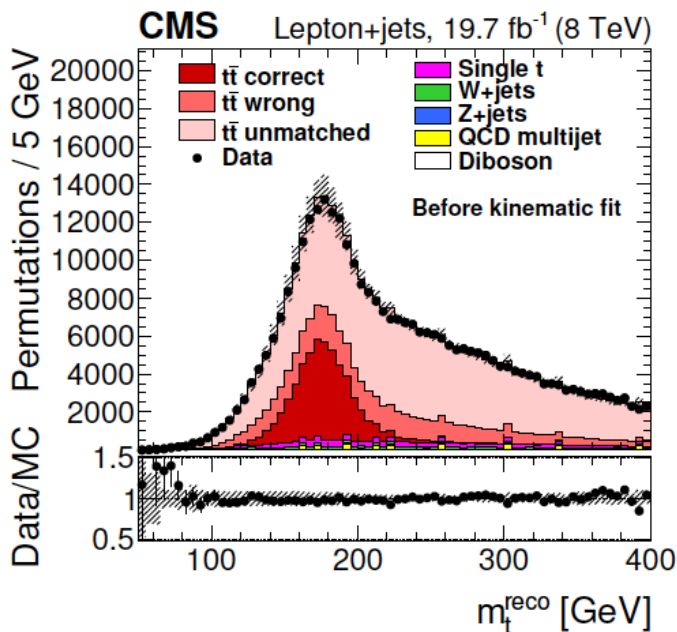


Compare with selections at Tevatron with full statistics: about 2500 events

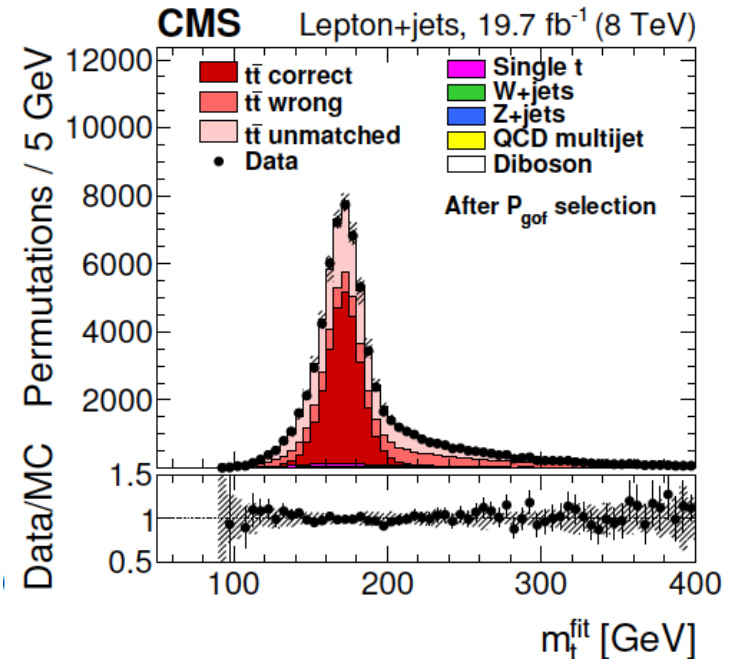
# Event reconstruction

[example from CMS, TOP-14-001 / arXiv:1509.04044 ]

- Assign 4 leading jets to partons from  $t\bar{t}$  decay (obey b-tag)
  - Kinematic fit with constraints:  $m_W = 80.4$  GeV,  $m_t = m_{t\text{-bar}}$
  - Weight each permutation by  $P_{\text{gof}} = \exp(-1/2\chi^2)$ , select  $P_{\text{gof}} > 0.2$
- 28295 events in  $19.7 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  2012 data (94%  $t\bar{t}$ , 44% correct perm.)



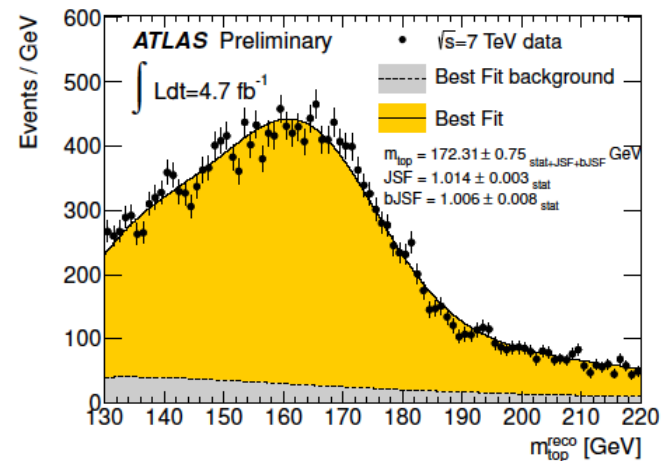
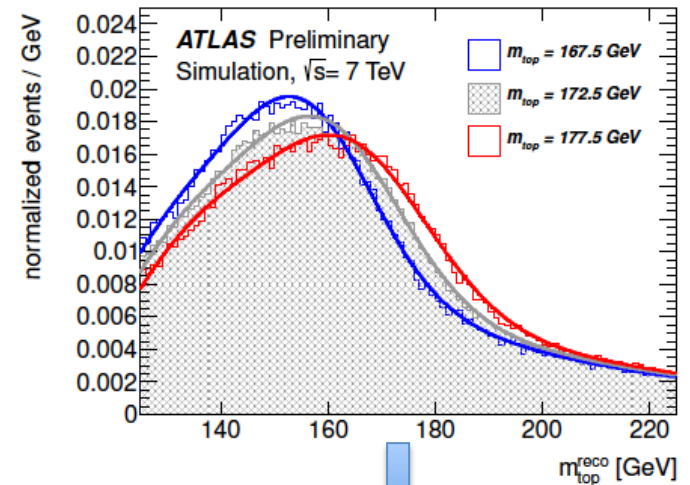
$P_{\text{gof}} > 0.2$



# Top mass fitting techniques

[example from ATLAS, CONF-2013-046]

- Invariant mass distributions are distorted by
  - phase space constraints
  - detector resolution
  - wrong particle assignments to jets
  - backgrounds, pileup
  - selection cuts
- Need a MC simulation, tuned to data, to construct templates or probability densities
  - **important: at this stage the top mass definition in MC is not too relevant.**



# Construct probability densities: ideogram method

[example from CMS, TOP-14-001 / arXiv:1509.04044 ]

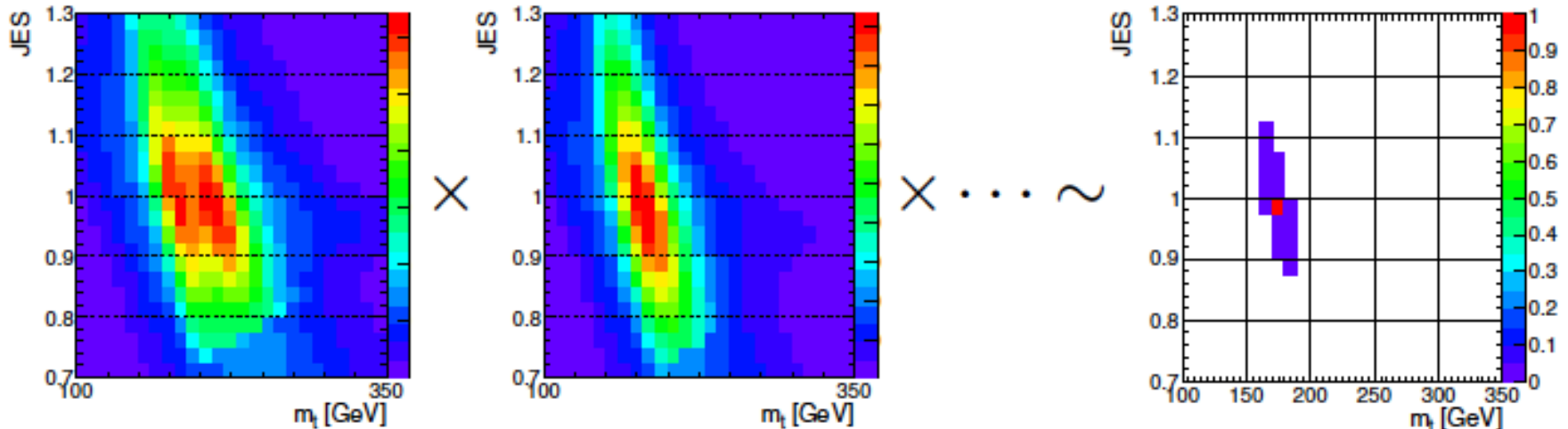
- Calculate likelihood for event with  $n$  permutations,  $j$  denotes *correct*, *wrong* and *unmatched* permutations

$$\mathcal{L}(\text{event}|m_t, \text{JES}) = \sum_{i=0}^n P_{\text{gof}}(i) P(m_{t,i}^{\text{fit}}, m_{W,i}^{\text{reco}}|m_t, \text{JES}),$$

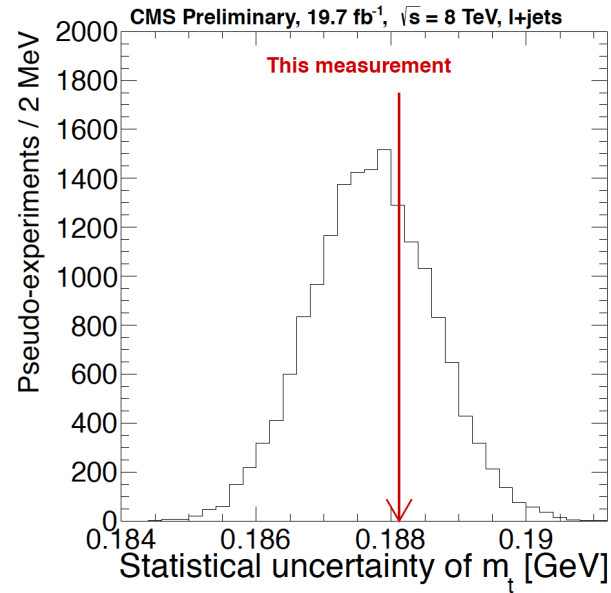
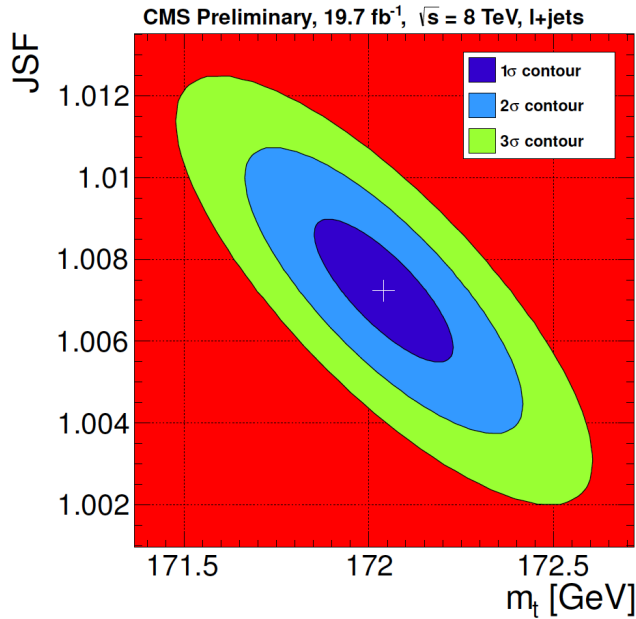
$$P(m_{t,i}^{\text{fit}}, m_{W,i}^{\text{reco}}|m_t, \text{JES}) = \sum_j f_j P_j(m_{t,i}^{\text{fit}}|m_t, \text{JES}) \cdot P_j(m_{W,i}^{\text{reco}}|m_t, \text{JES})$$

- Most likely  $m_t$  and JES by maximizing

$$\mathcal{L}(m_t, \text{JES}|\text{sample}) \sim \prod_{\text{events}} \mathcal{L}(\text{event}|m_t, \text{JES})^{w_{\text{event}}}$$



# Result for lepton+jet channel [TOP-14-001]



$$m_t = 172.04 \pm 0.19 \text{ (stat.+JSF)} \pm 0.75 \text{ (syst.) GeV,}$$
$$\text{JSF} = 1.007 \pm 0.002 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.012 \text{ (syst.)}$$

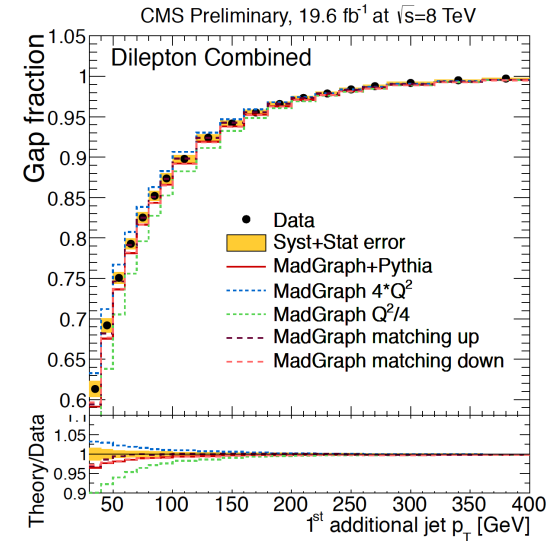
(Note: this was the preliminary result, kept for illustration, for the final measurement see arXiv:1509.04044)

# Main sources of systematic uncertainties

[for l+jet measurements]

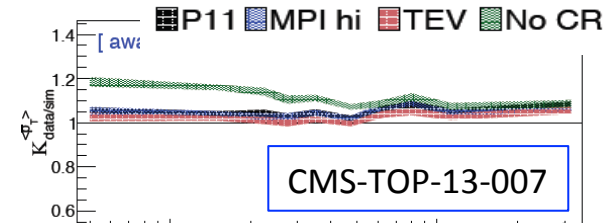
- Jet Energy Scale (depends on technique and jet reco, in situ statistical not included)
  - light jets, detector response [0.2-0.7 GeV]
  - b jets [0.1-0.6 GeV]
- Modeling of gluon radiation [0.3 – 0.45 GeV]
- Modeling of underlying event [0.1 – 0.2 GeV]
- Modeling of Colour Reconnection [0.2 – 0.5 GeV]
- Proton PDF [0.1 – 0.2 GeV]
- Hadronization, b-fragmentation (included also in JES) [0.3 -0.6 GeV]
- b-tagging [0.1 – 0.8 GeV]
- pileup modeling (included also in JES) (0.1-0.3 GeV)

[The numbers are ranges for illustration only, more details in specific analysis and LHC combination notes]



can use data to constrain radiation

CMS-TOP-12-018



CMS-TOP-13-007

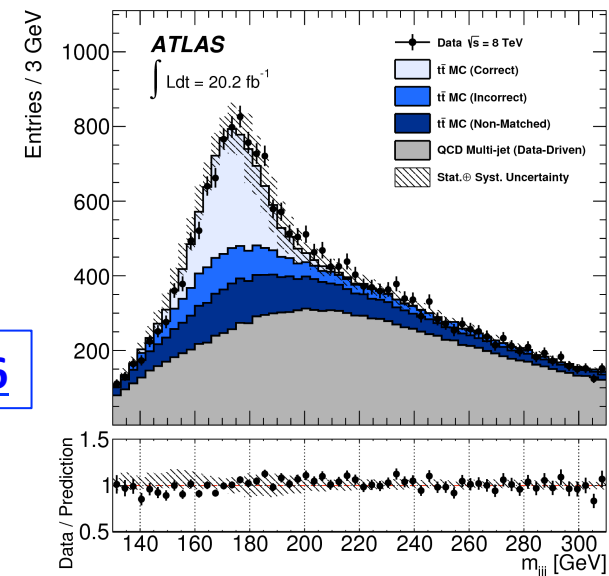
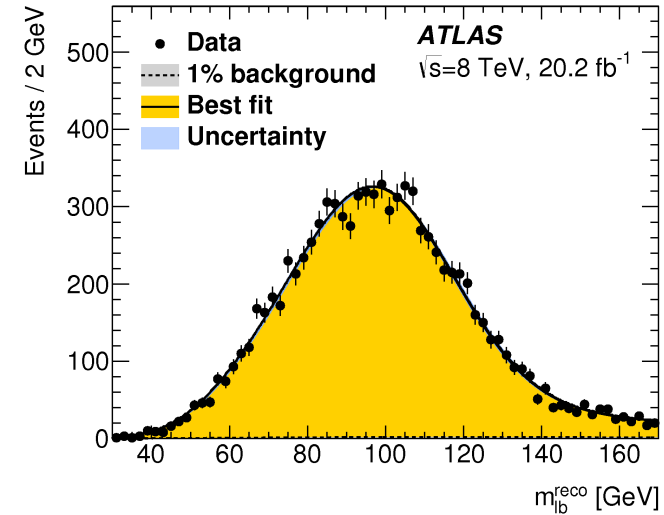
can use data to constrain generator modeling

# Dilepton and all-hadronic channels

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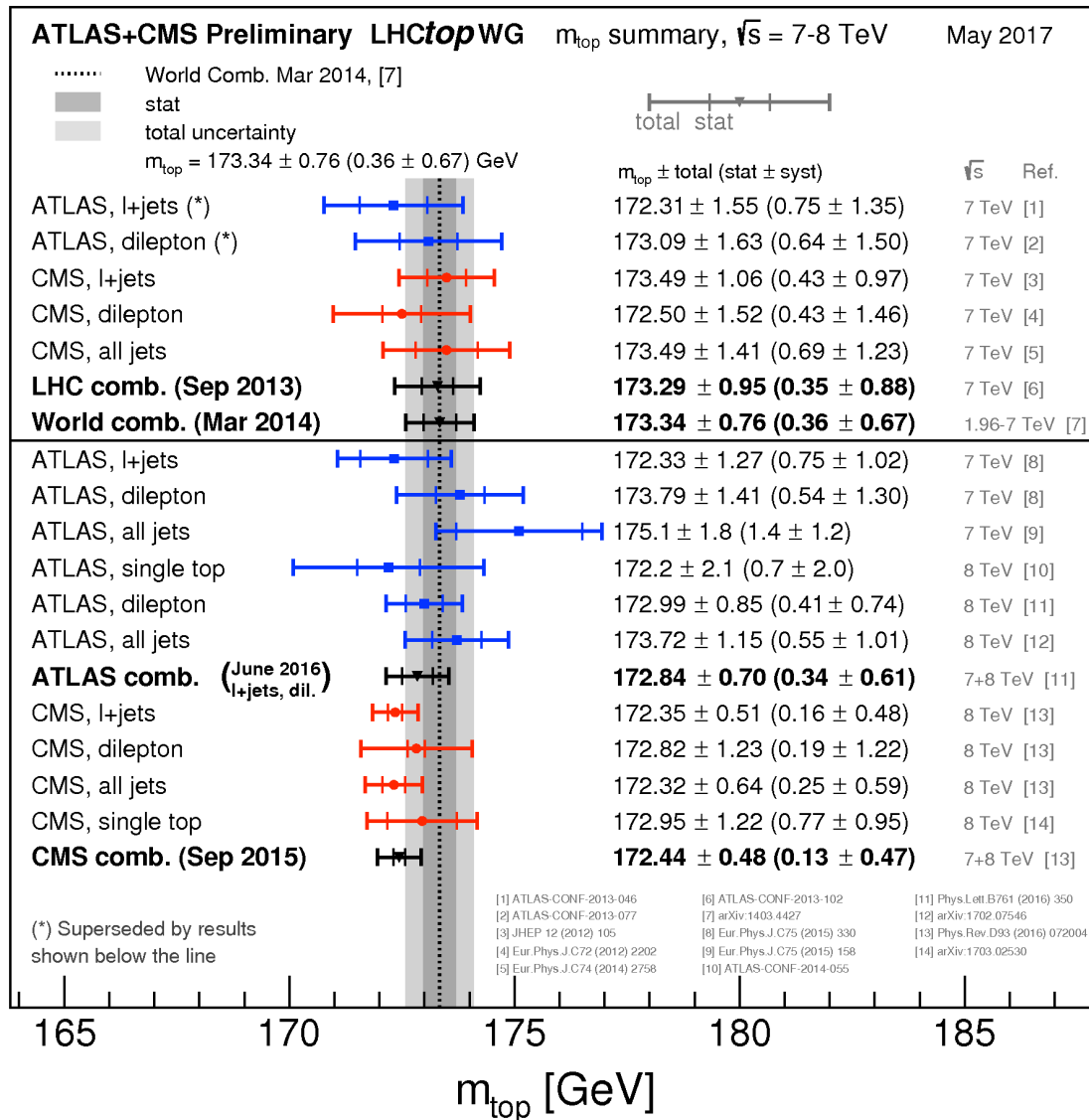
- The dilepton and all-hadronic decay channels provide an important cross check, given the **difference in colour structure of the final state**. The **dilepton channel** is kinematically underconstrained (2  $\nu$ 's), but with low background
- The **all-hadronic channel** can profit from an accurate in-situ fit of the JES

[arXiv:1702.07546](https://arxiv.org/abs/1702.07546)

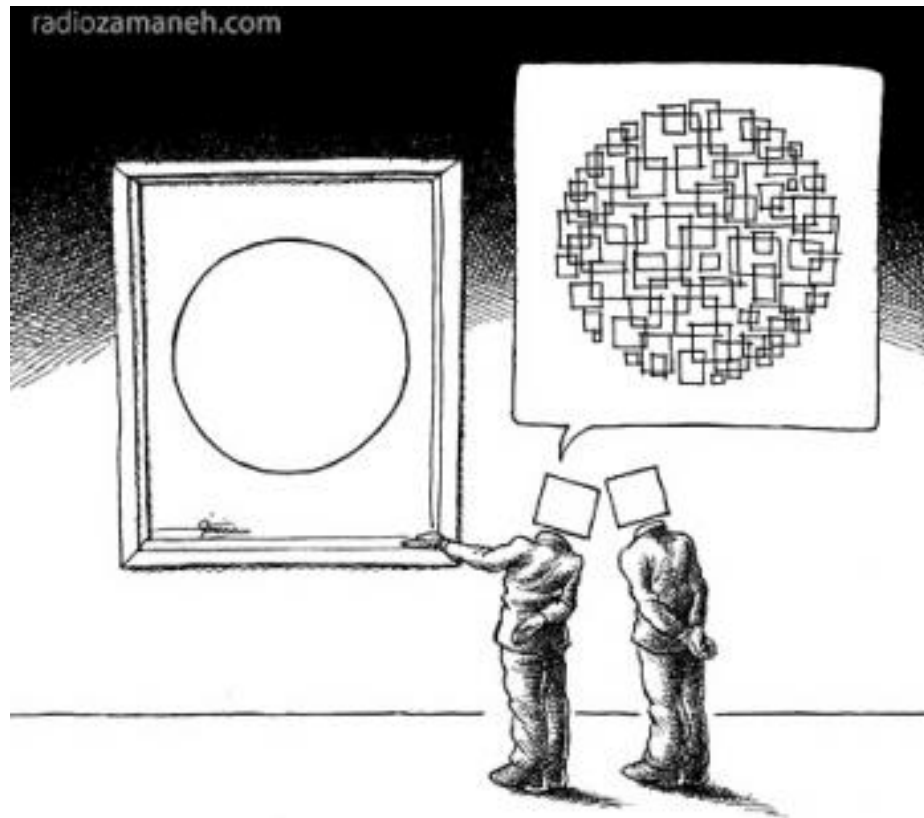




# Grand LHC table



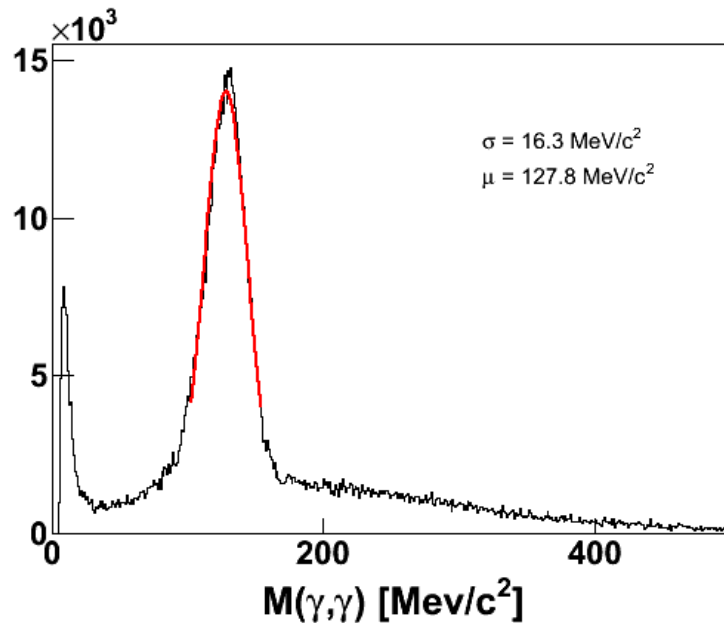
# INTERPRETATION OF TOP MASS MEASUREMENTS



# MEASURING A MASS FROM DECAYS PRODUCTS

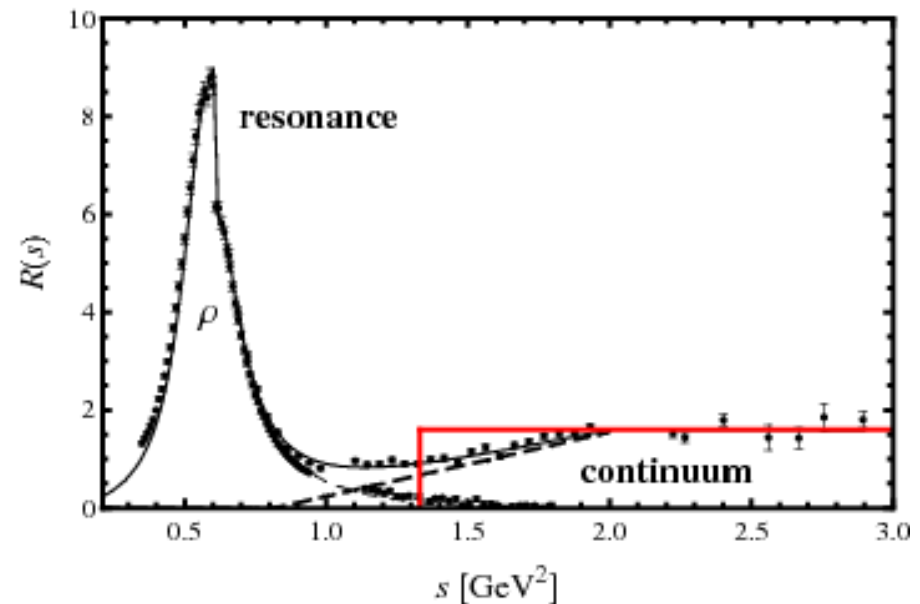
TWO extreme cases

$\pi^0$  mass from 2 photons



case 1. Experimental resolution much lower than natural width: the experiment provides a mass measurement

$\rho^0$  mass from 2 pions

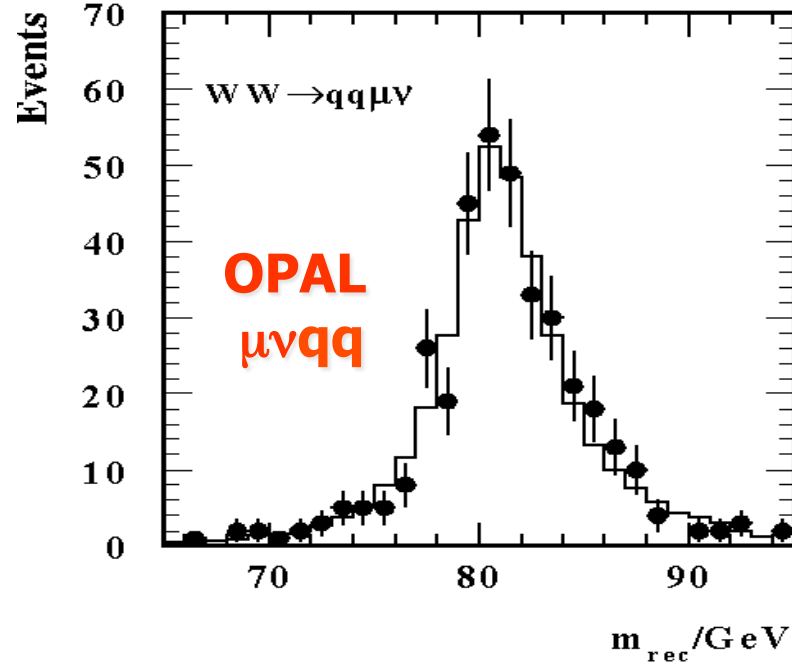
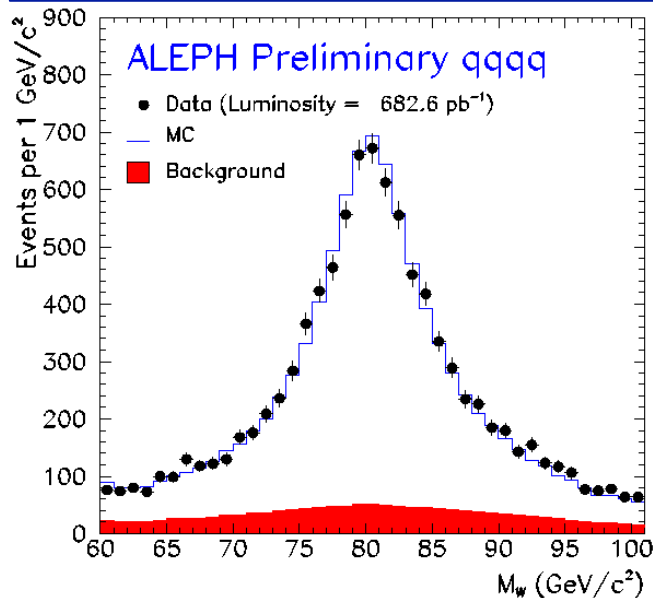


case 2. Experimental resolution much higher than natural width: the experiment provides data points to fit a resonance.

# MEASURING A MASS FROM DECAYS PRODUCTS

## Example of an intermediate case

The W mass measured from the decay products: a Monte Carlo simulation, tuned at the Z, is used to extract the mass. The mass scheme used in the MC is relevant to interpret the measurement (e.g. Breit Wigner with fixed-width scheme (W) vs a running-width scheme (Z), difference of 27 MeV, sizeable given the precision)



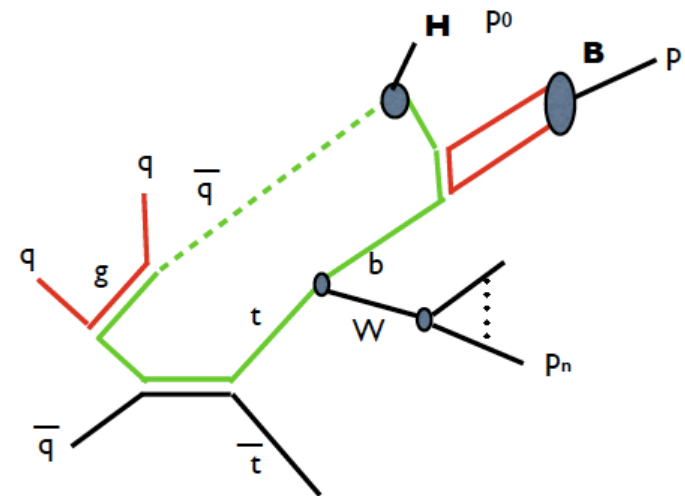
# Issues in top mass interpretation

- There are three different issues related to the interpretation of current (and future !) measurements
  - **top pole mass**: higher order corrections to self energy (recent progress on this)
  - **mass scheme used in simulation vs fixed order calculations** (work ongoing, no reason to believe it cannot be solved)
  - **color reconnection** (the hard one, where experiments should concentrate)

# The real issue: top decay products have to (re)connect !

- **Top is a coloured fermion**, it decays before hadronizing, but the b quark from its decay must hadronize
    - **there is no way to assign final state particles only to the original top**, the concept is ill-defined
    - the effect is expected to be of the order of  $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \approx 0.2 \text{ GeV}$  but the actual impact depends on the experimental method
1. **important to test variables sensitive to the final state definition**
  2. **important to measure the mass with alternative techniques**

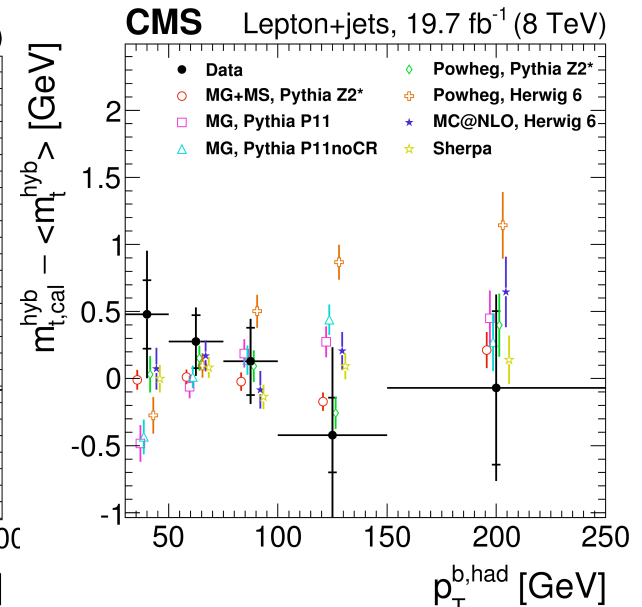
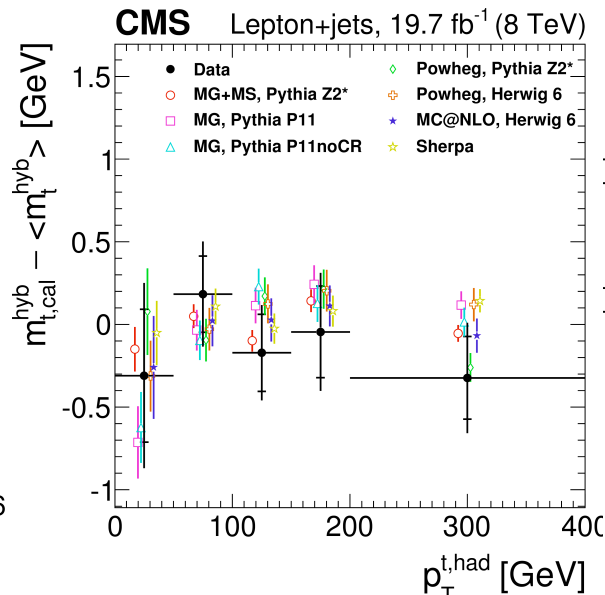
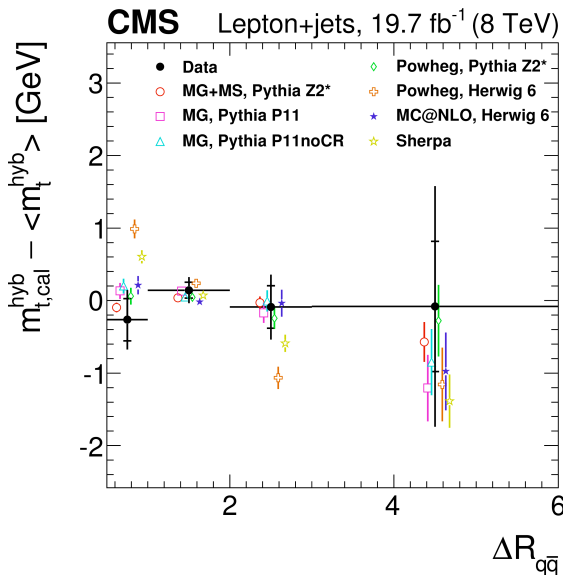
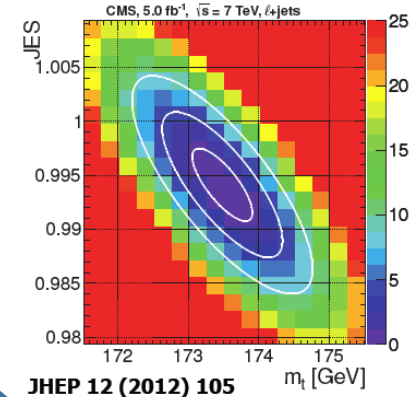
In prospect **1** and **2** will take advantage of the large LHC statistics



plot courtesy of Michelangelo Mangano

# Dependence of Top Mass observable on event kinematics

- test variables sensitive to the final state definition
  - kinematic dependence on final state properly modeled by MC?  $\rightarrow$  12 kinematic variables checked, related to Color Reconnection, ISR/FRS, b-jet kinematics
  - Good data/MC agreement rules out dramatic effects  $\rightarrow$  need to pursue the study with Run 2 high statistics !!



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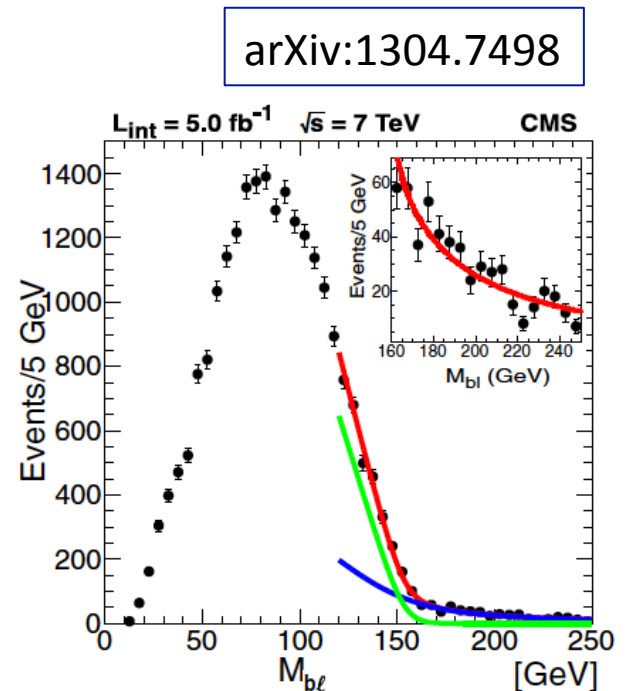
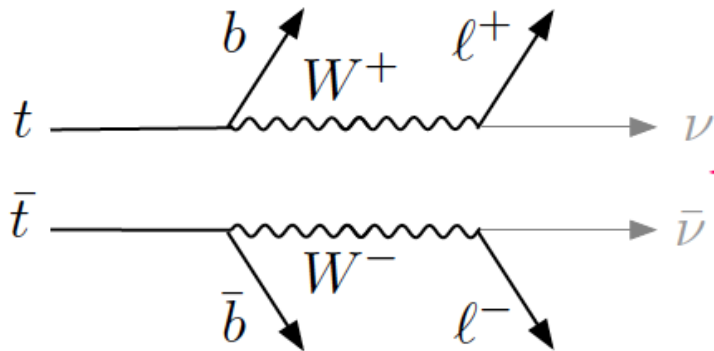
# Methods for top mass measurement (2)

- Given the potential bias in measuring the top mass from its decay products, important to explore **alternative techniques**, e.g.
  - Measure the **decay length** (the boost) of B hadrons produced in top decays, the boost is related to the original top mass
  - Select **specific channels**, for example top with  $W \rightarrow l \nu$  and  $B \rightarrow J/\psi + X$  decays and measure the three-lepton invariant mass
  - Measure the **endpoint** of the lepton **spectrum** or other quantities in top decays
  - Measure the **mass from single top events**
- Alternative methods have typically larger statistical uncertainties, however at LHC we have large  $t\bar{t}$  samples
  - Systematic uncertainties can be controlled with data, again large samples help.
- Another alternative: **move away from properties of the decay products**
  - **extract the top mass from the top cross section**

# TOP mass from dilepton endpoint

- Example of a technique already yielding interesting precision: Endpoint method
- The shape of the signal can be computed analytically, background data-driven
- Use of MC limited to study underlying assumption: independent decay of two tops (color connections and reconnections violate this assumption)

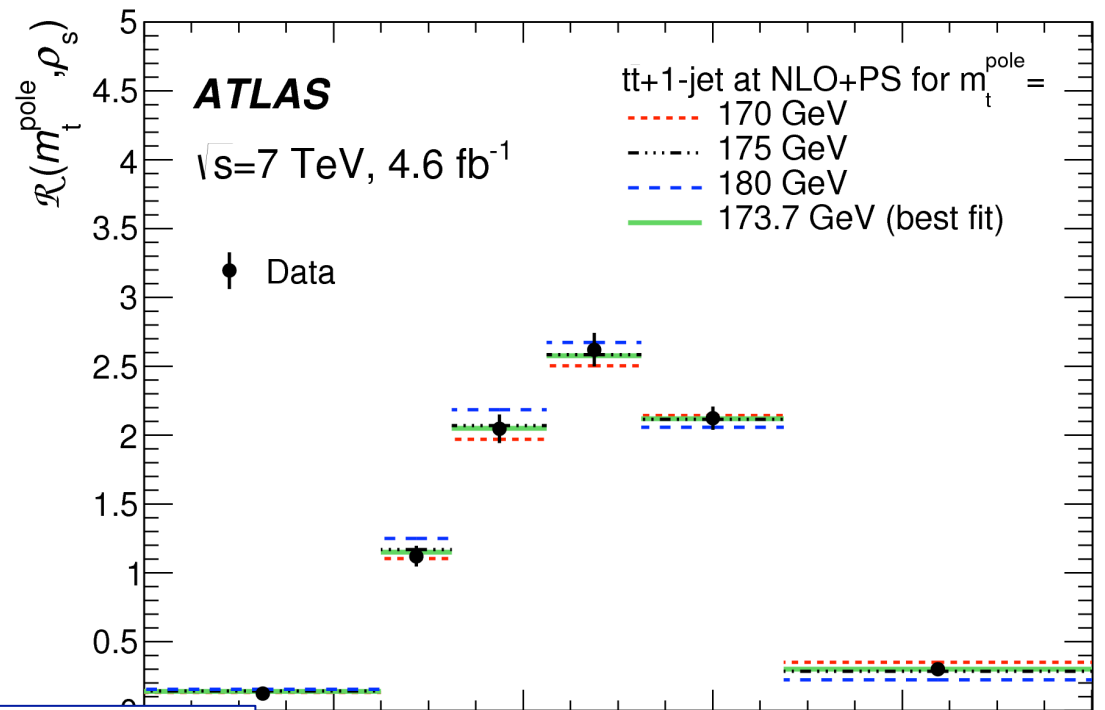
$$M_t = 173.9 \pm 0.9 \text{ (stat.)}_{-2.0}^{+1.6} \text{ (syst.) GeV}$$



# Top mass from $t\bar{t} + 1$ jet events

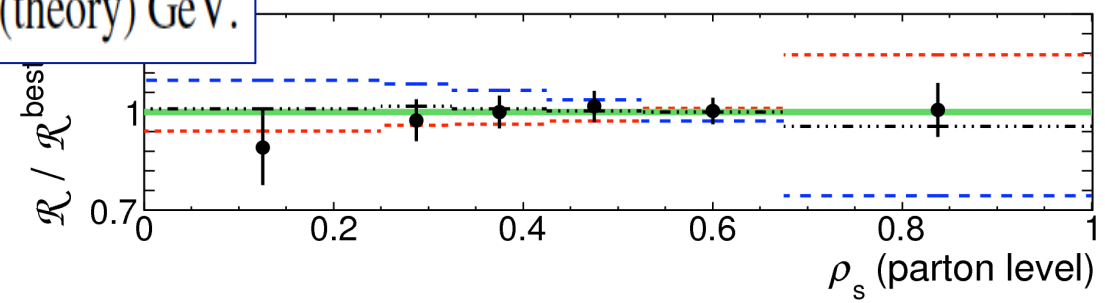
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Use normalized differential cross section for top-quark pair production in association with at least one jet, studied as a function of the inverse of the invariant mass of the  $t\bar{t} + 1$ -jet system.



$$m_t^{\text{pole}} = 173.7 \pm 1.5 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 1.4 \text{ (syst.)} {}^{+1.0}_{-0.5} \text{ (theory) GeV.}$$

$$\rho_s = \frac{2m_0}{\sqrt{s_{t\bar{t}+1\text{-jet}}}}$$

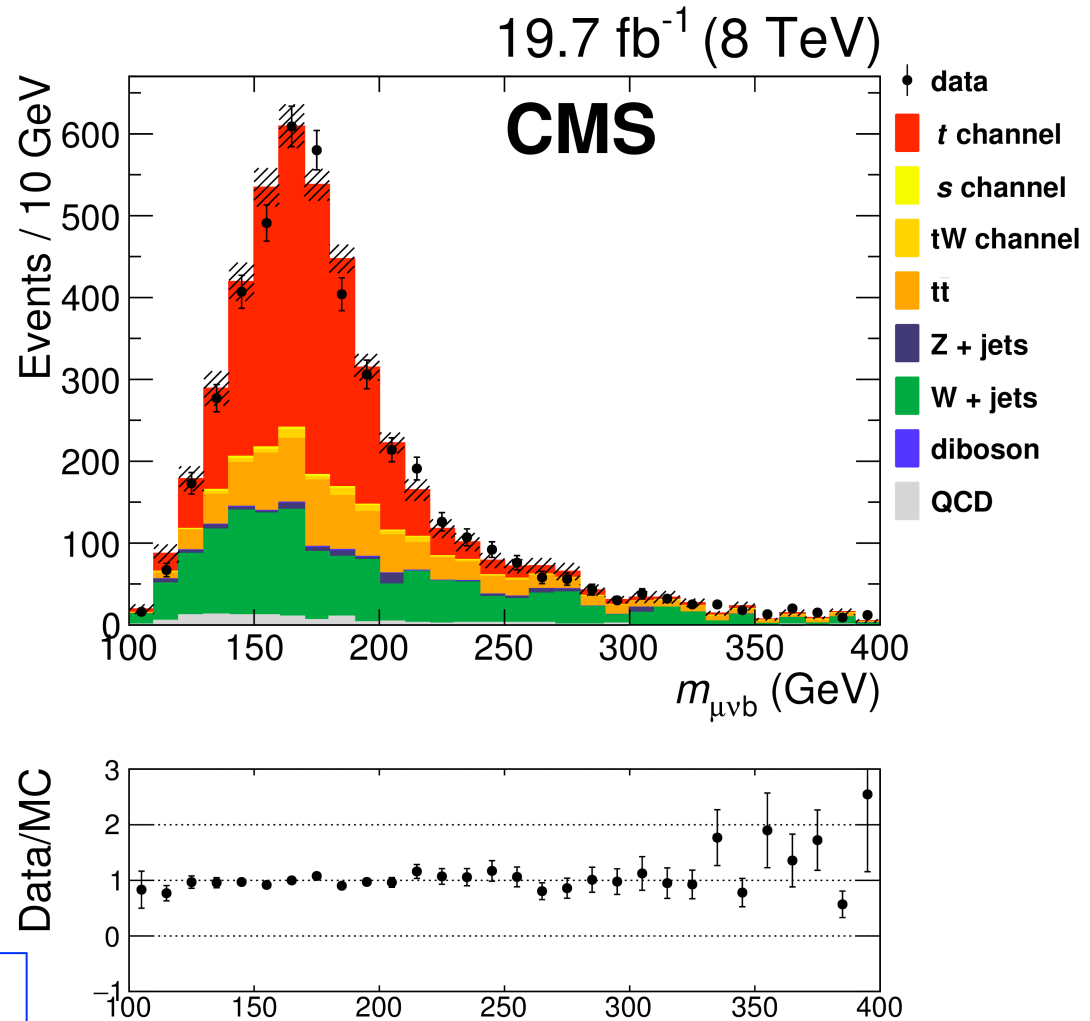


# Top mass from single top

arXiv:1703.02530

- Topology and kinematic properties of single top quark events in the  $t$  channel used to enhance the purity of the sample, suppressing the contribution from top quark pair production.
- Fit to the invariant mass distribution yields a value of the top quark mass of

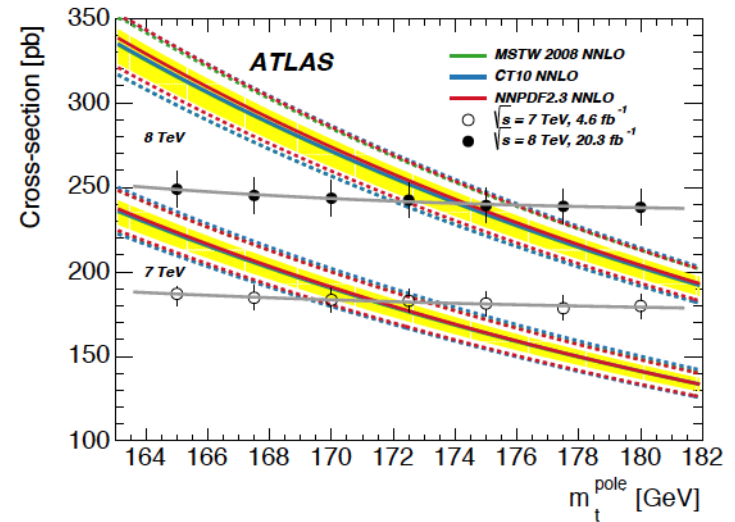
$172.95 \pm 0.77$  (stat)  $^{+0.97}_{-0.93}$  (syst) GeV



# $t\bar{t}$ cross section: mass interpretation

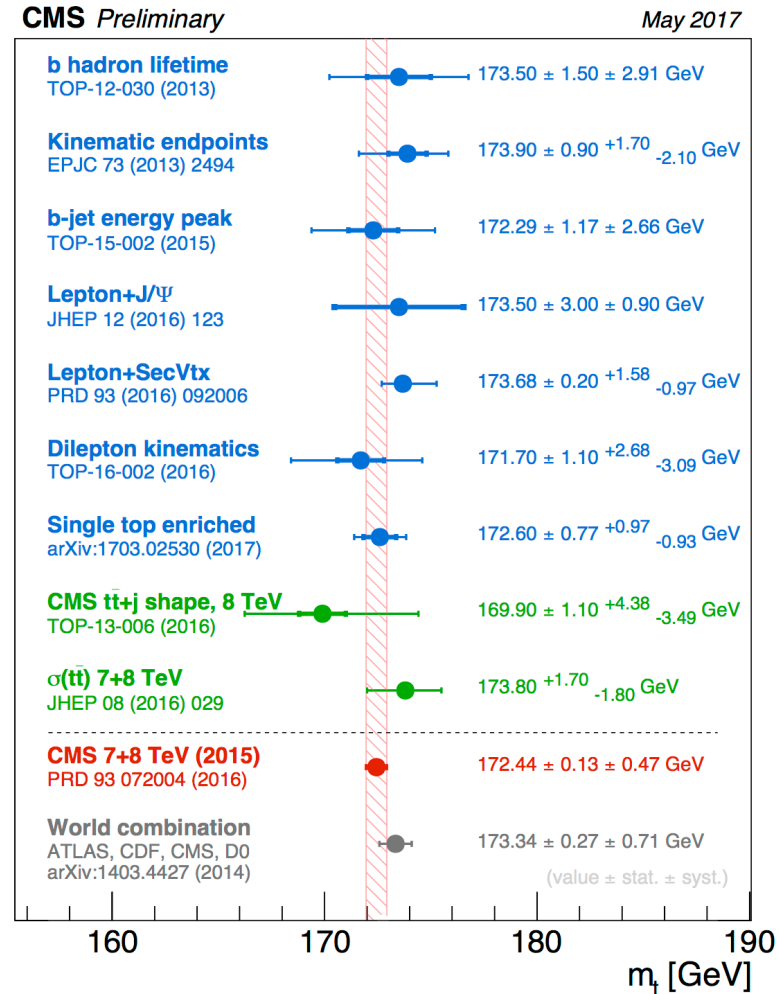
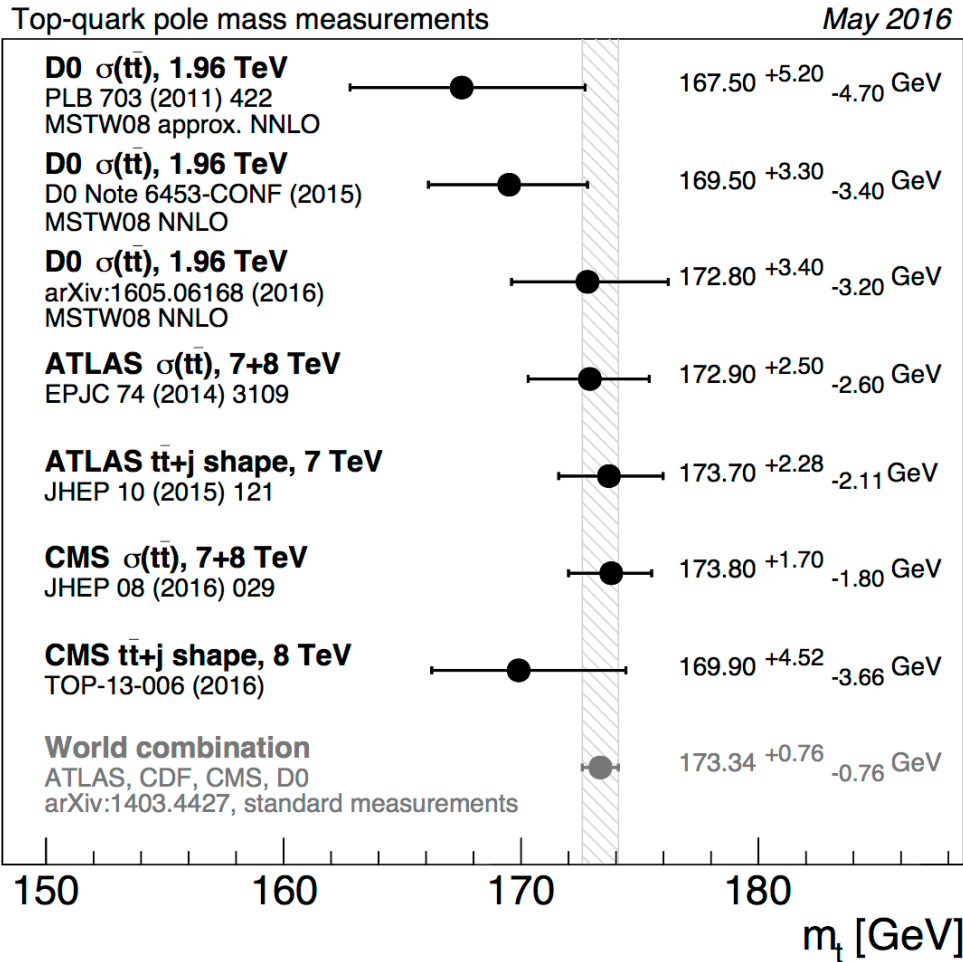
[example from ATLAS, arXiv:1406.5375]

- Measure cross section in the most precise channel: dilepton  $e\mu$
- Use b-tagging and double tag method to avoid dependence on b-tag efficiency
  - interesting by-product: acceptance dependence on  $m_t$  is flat because of cancelation with  $Wt$  background !
- Use recent NNLO calculation of top pair cross section to extract  $m_t$
- The method takes advantage of the excellent luminosity knowledge at LHC ( $\sim 2\%$ ), which is also the long-term experimental limitation, together with the knowledge of the beam energy



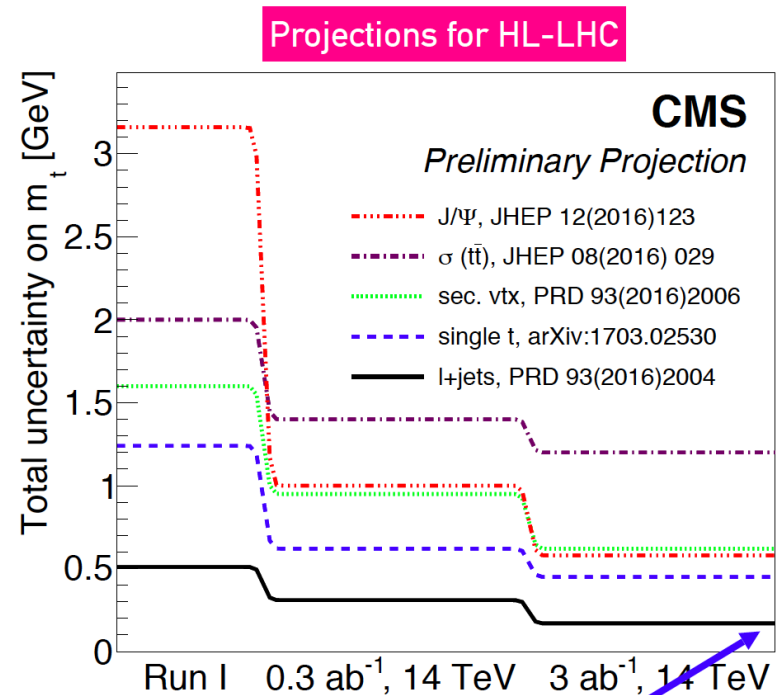
$$m_t = 172.9^{+2.5}_{-2.6} \text{ GeV}$$

# Top mass from cross section and alternative techniques



# Prospects for top mass at the LHC

- There is potential to improve standard methods, taking advantage of the high statistics for, e.g., in-situ JES calibration, constraining models from differential studies, etc.
- There is even greater potential for alternative methods, most of the current systematic uncertainties can be reduced with higher statistics, e.g. top pt modeling, in-situ JES again
- Improvements on the cross section method are linked to improvements in the luminosity and beam energy uncertainties at LHC
- A optimistic view (maybe realistic give past experience at colliders !) of the evolution in precision is given in the picture



l+jets  $\Delta m/m \sim 0.17$

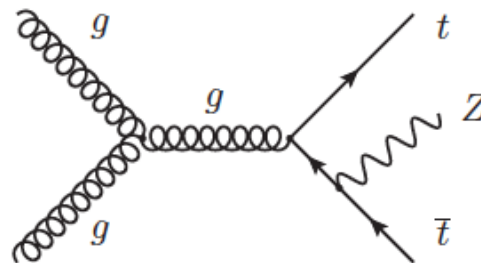
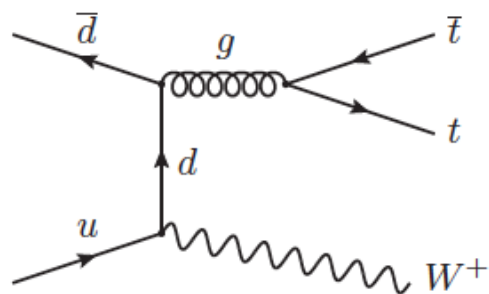
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**A FIELD WITH A LOT OF ACTIVITY AND  
RECENT DEVELOPMENTS→**

**ASSOCIATED PRODUCTION OF TOP AND  
BOSONS (AND MORE ...)**



# Associated production of top pair and vector boson



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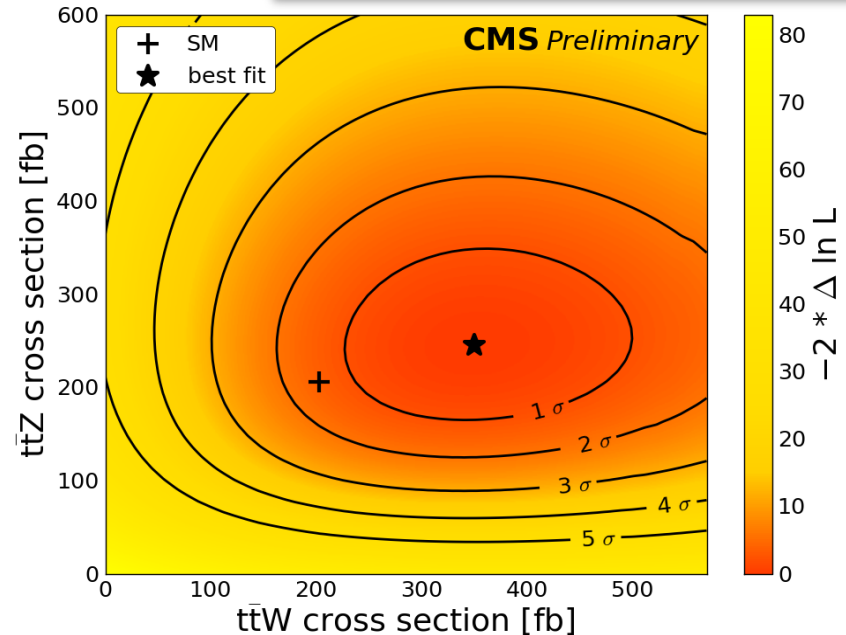
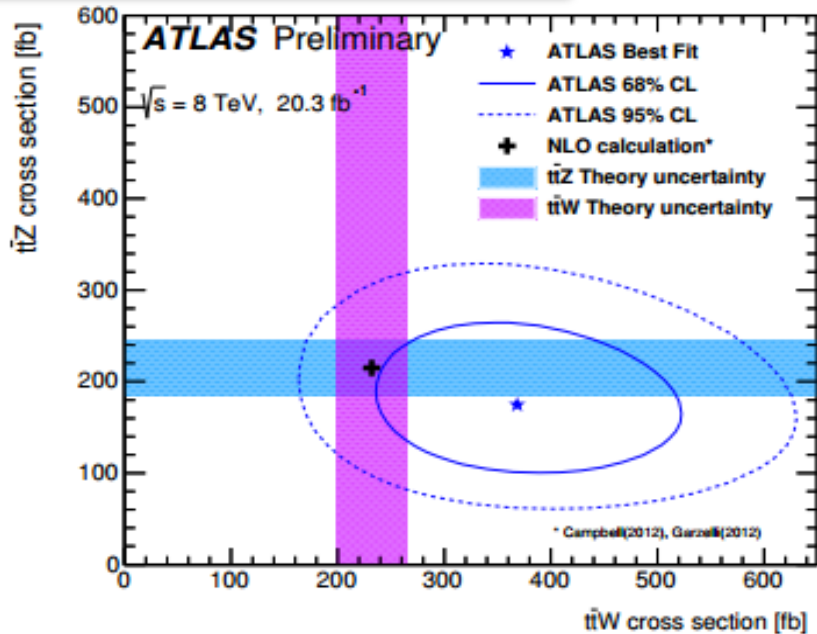
- The  $ttZ$  process provides direct access to Z-top couplings
- Both  $ttW$  and  $ttZ$  processes can be altered by BSM physics
- Measurement of  **$ttW$**  and  **$ttZ$**  cross sections in multilepton (e or  $\mu$ ) final states
  - **$ttZ$  measured in channels with two, three, or four leptons, with exactly one pair of same-flavor opposite-sign (OS) leptons close to the Z mass.**
  - **$ttW$  measured in channels with two same-sign (SS) leptons or three leptons, where no lepton pair is consistent with coming from a Z boson decay.**
  - full or partial reconstruction of the  $ttW$  or  $ttZ$  system with a linear discriminant that matches leptons and jets to their parent particles using mass, charge, and b tagging information.

# ttV: Observation !

ttW: 3.2  $\sigma$  (exp) 5.0  $\sigma$  (obs)  
 ttZ: 4.5  $\sigma$  (exp) 4.2  $\sigma$  (obs)

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ttW: 3.8  $\sigma$  (exp) 4.8  $\sigma$  (obs)  
 ttZ: 5.7  $\sigma$  (exp) 6.4  $\sigma$  (obs)



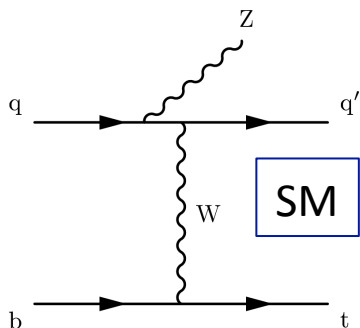
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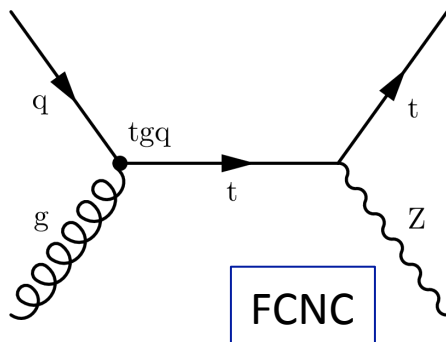
Constraints on  
 dimension-6  
 operators

operator	best fit point(s)	1 $\sigma$ CL	2 $\sigma$ CL
$\bar{c}_{uB}$	-0.07 and 0.07	{-0.11, 0.11}	{-0.14, 0.14}
$\bar{c}'_{HQ}$	0.12	{-0.07, 0.18}	{-0.33, -0.24} and {-0.02, 0.23}
$\bar{c}_{HQ}$	-0.09 and 0.41	{-0.22, 0.08} and {0.24, 0.54}	{-0.31, 0.63}
$\bar{c}_{Hu}$	-0.47 and 0.13	{-0.60, -0.23} and {-0.11, 0.26}	{-0.71, 0.37}
$\bar{c}_{3W}$	-0.28 and 0.28	{-0.36, -0.18} and {0.18, 0.36}	{-0.43, 0.43}

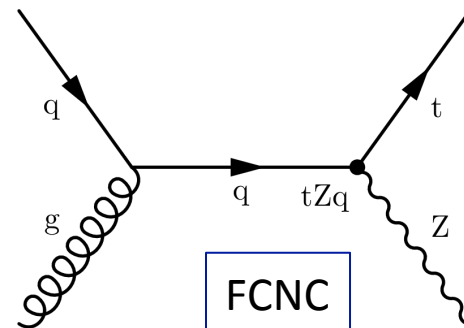
# Associated production of single top and a Z boson (tZq production)



[arXiv:1702.01404](https://arxiv.org/abs/1702.01404)

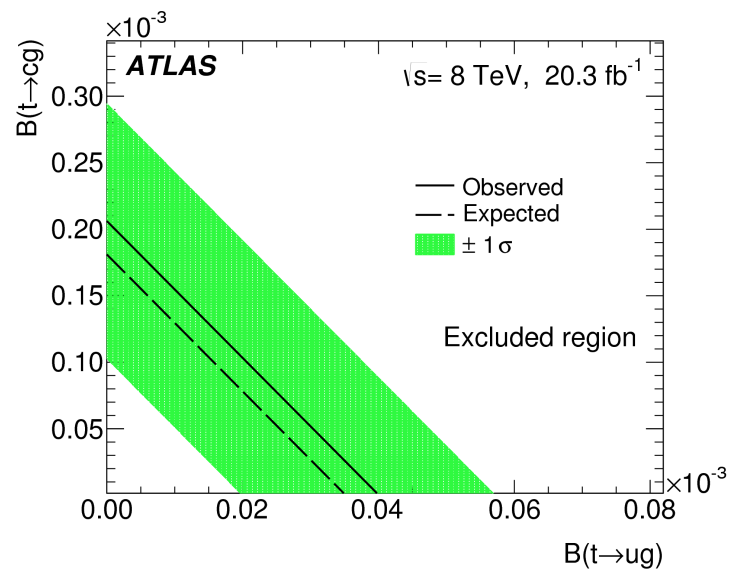
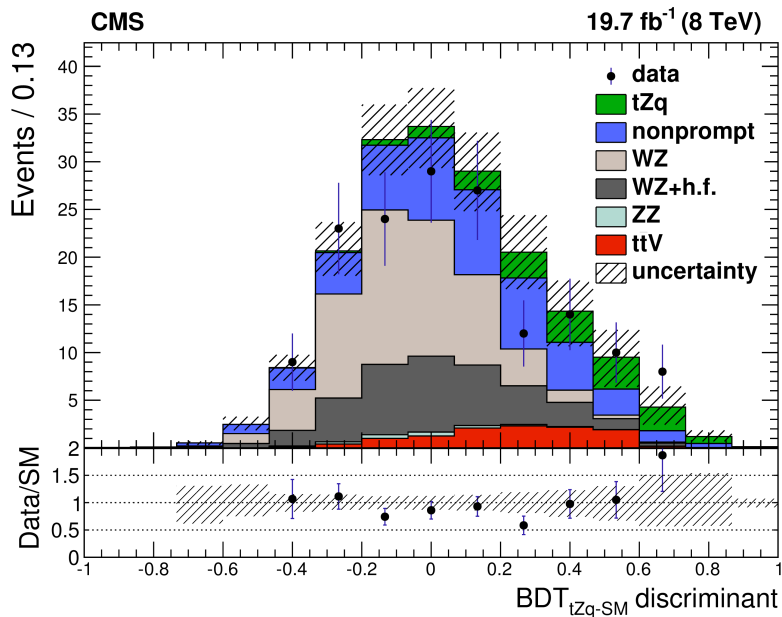


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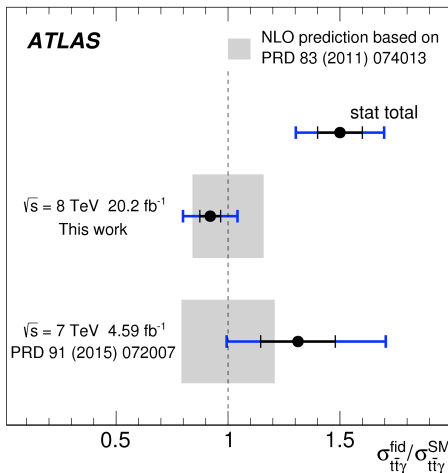
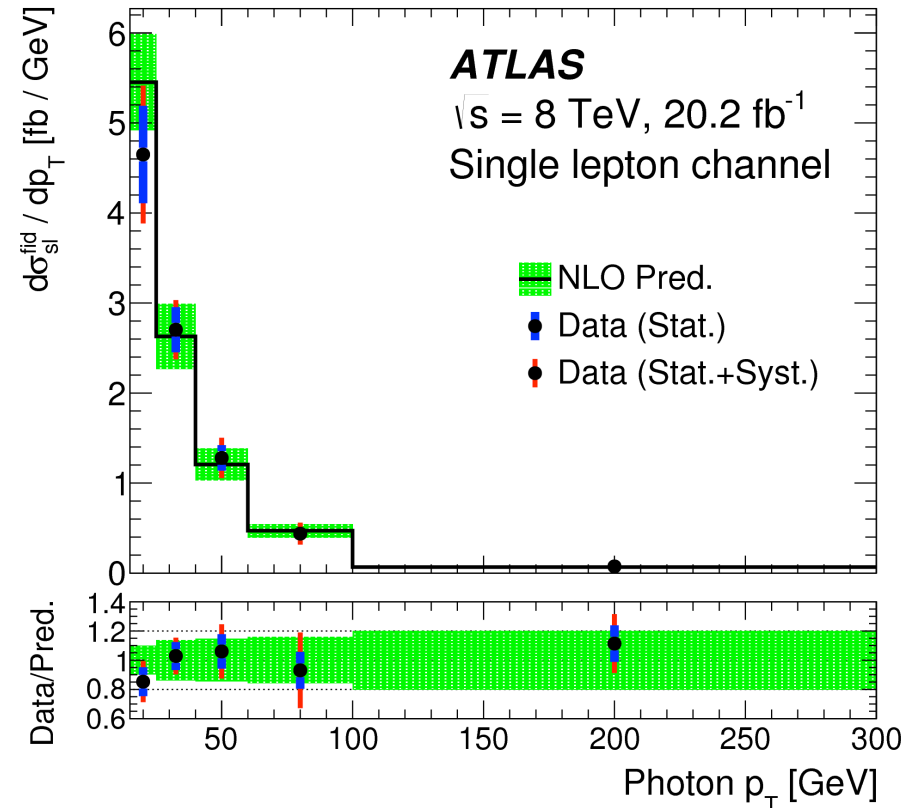


# Associated production of $t\bar{t}$ +photon

arXiv:1706.03046

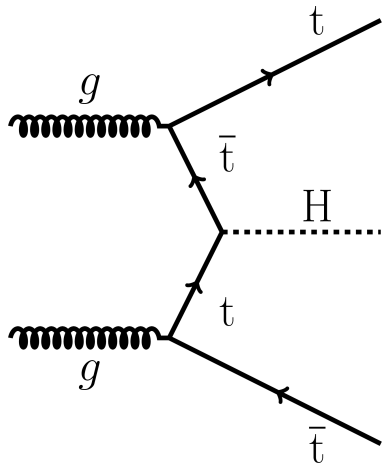
Select events that contain

- a photon with transverse momentum  $p_T > 15$  GeV,
- an isolated lepton with large transverse momentum,
- large missing transverse momentum
- at least four jets, where at least one is identified as originating from a  $b$ -quark.

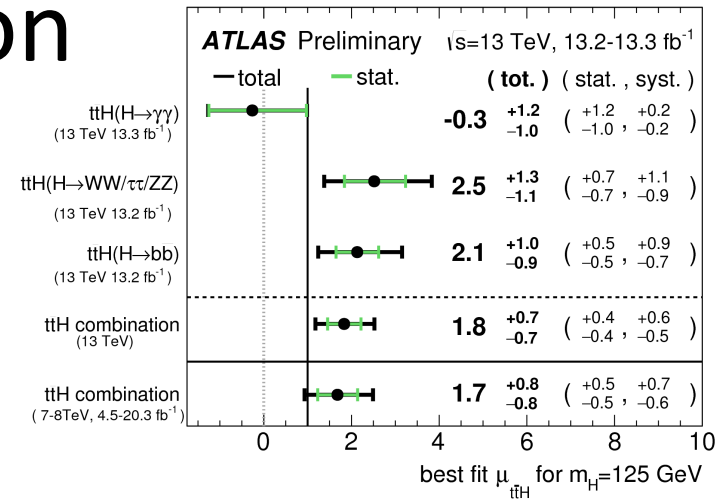


Deviations could indicate anomalous top electric dipole moments or excited top ( $t^* \rightarrow t\gamma$ )

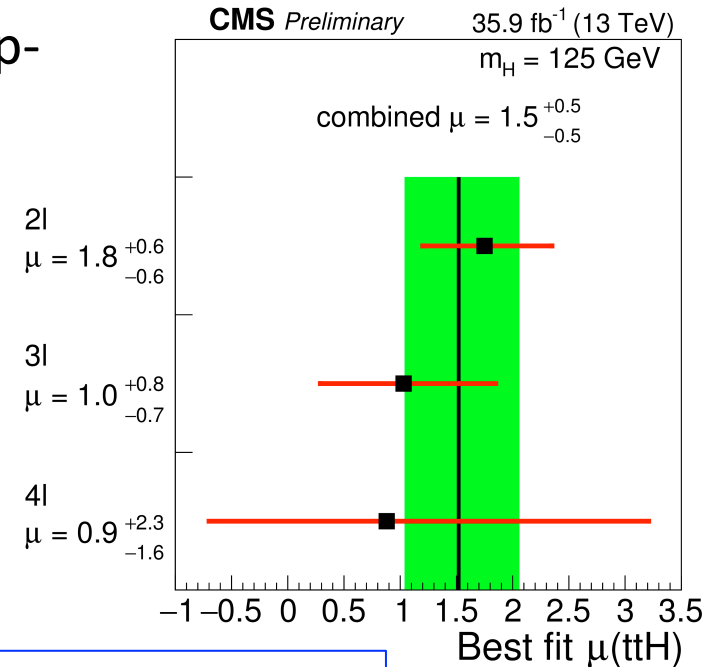
# Associated production of top pair and scalar boson



## scalar boson

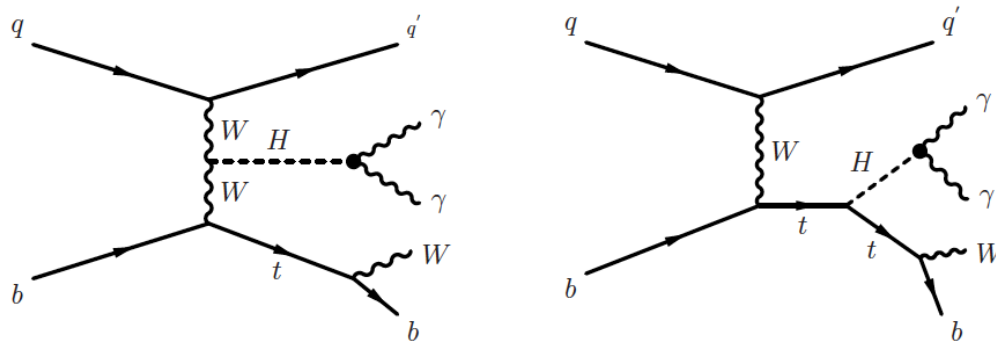


- The ttH process gives direct access to the top-Higgs Yukawa coupling.
- The process can be altered by BSM physics
- Measurement performed in several final states
  - top pair all hadronic, lepton+jets, dilepton
  - with H→hadrons, H→ leptons, H→ γγ
  - categorization includes H→bb and H→ ττ



Multilept: observed (expected) significance  $3.3\sigma$  ( $2.5\sigma$ ) [CMS-PAS-HIG-17-004]

# Associated production of single top and Higgs boson

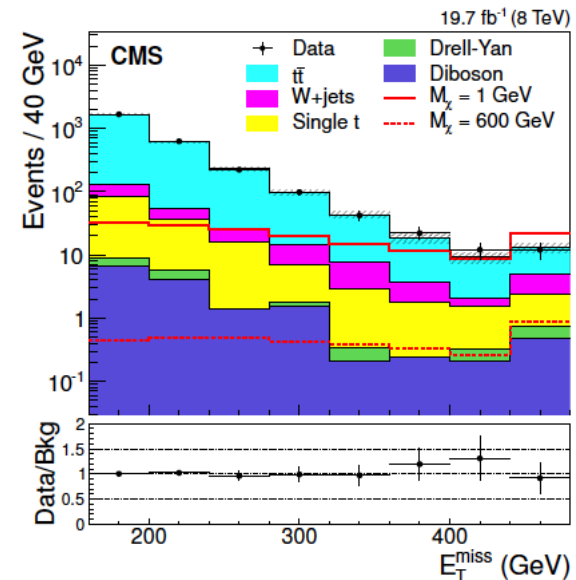
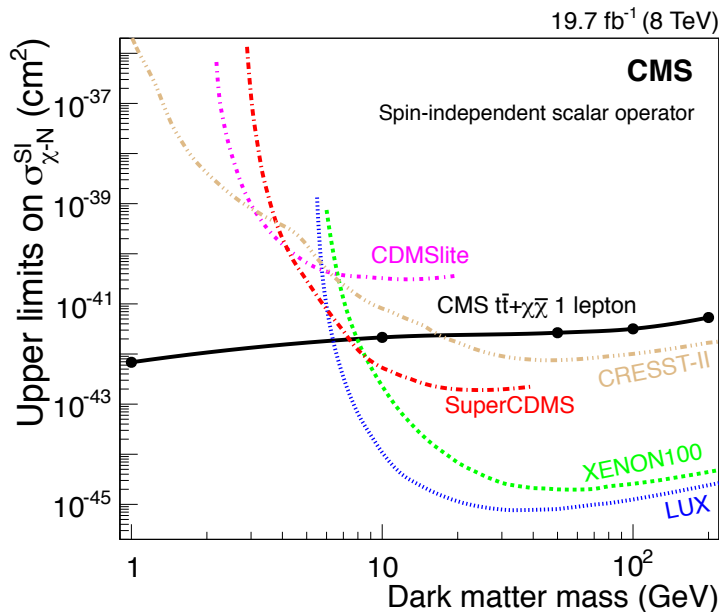
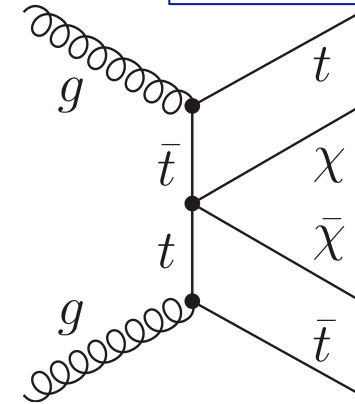


- Potentially gives the relative sign of the top-Higgs Yukawa coupling with respect to the Higgs-W coupling
- The **two diagrams interfere destructively in the SM ( $\sigma=18$  fb)**, but with **flipped sign cross section increases by a factor 15**
- Analysis performed in the  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  (and  $bb$ ) channels: **observed 95% UL is set at 4.1 times (6.0 times) the expected cross section with inverted  $C_t (= -1)$**  CMS-PAS-HIG-14-001 / HIG-16-019
- Measurements also done in the multilepton channel to set combined limits to  $tH+ttH$  production CMS-PAS-HIG-17-005

# Search for Dark Matter produced in association with top pairs

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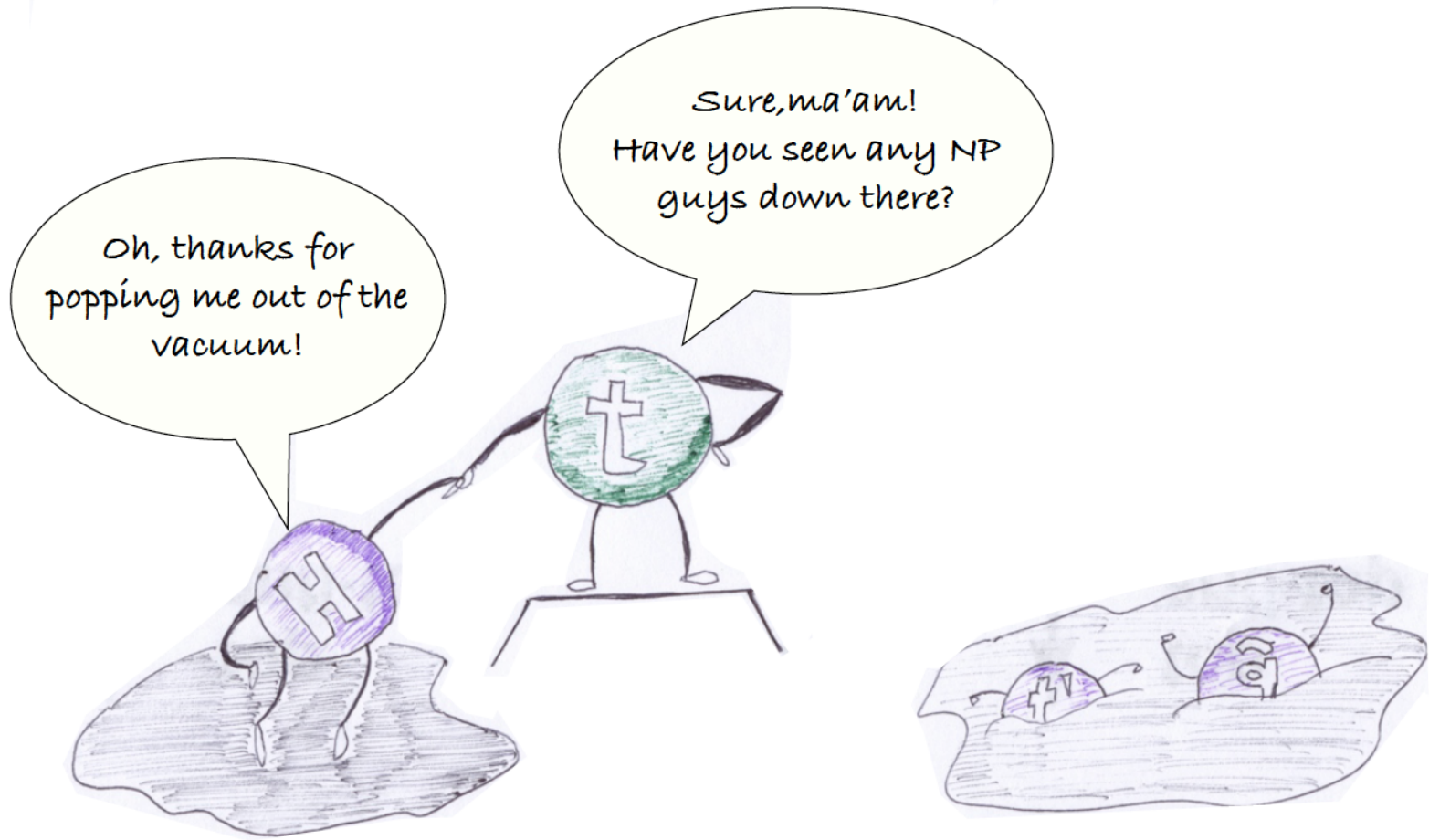
- Dark matter could couple to heavy fermions through contact interactions
- Search requires the presence of one lepton, multiple jets, and large missing transverse energy.



# Final comment on top @ LHC

- **Top physics an important sector of electroweak-symmetry-breaking studies**
  - A necessary complement to Higgs measurements
- After first five years of top-production **at the LHC-top-factory**, now entering a new phase
- **Entering uncharted territory in terms of (statistical) precision, use statistics as a tool to reduce systematic uncertainties**



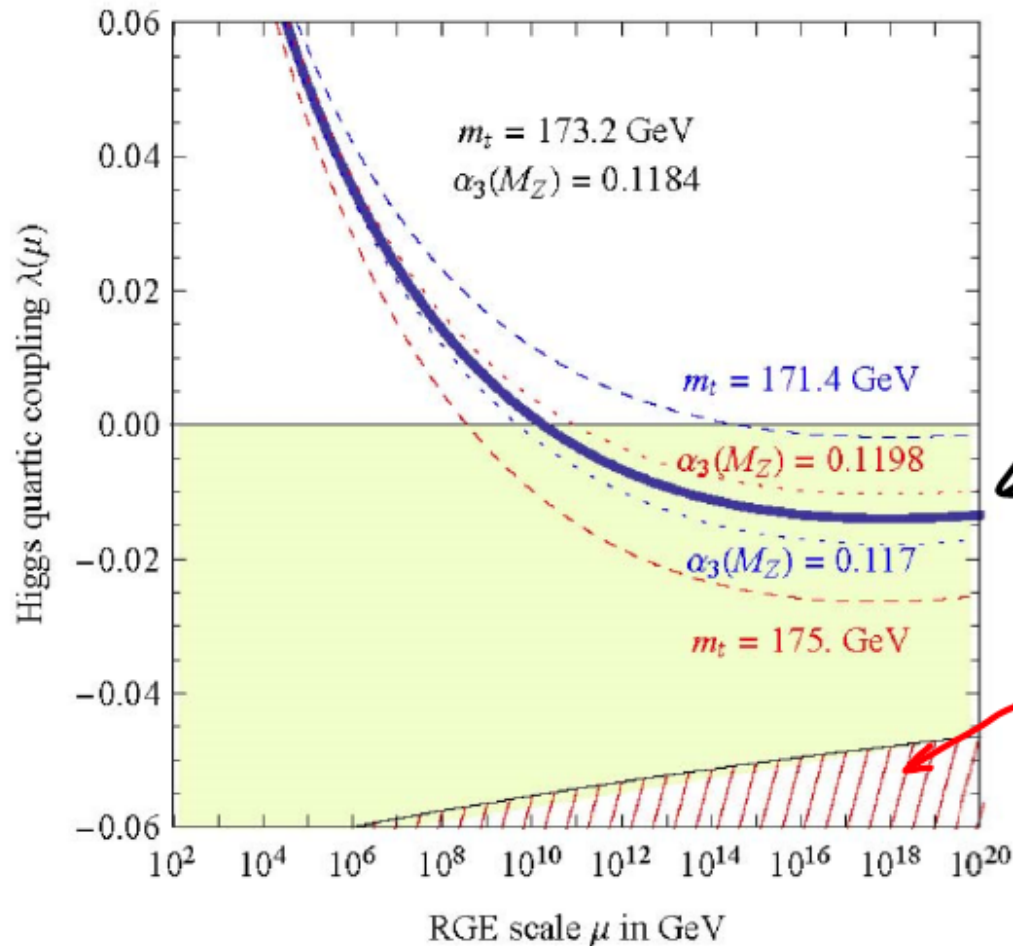


**BACKUP SLIDES**

# LIFE IN A METASTABLE VACUUM

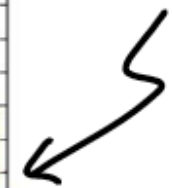
$$V = \frac{1}{2} \mu^2 \Phi^2 + \frac{1}{4} \lambda(\text{scale}) \Phi^4$$

$$m_h = 126 \text{ GeV}$$



Lifetime  $\propto \exp \frac{1}{121}$

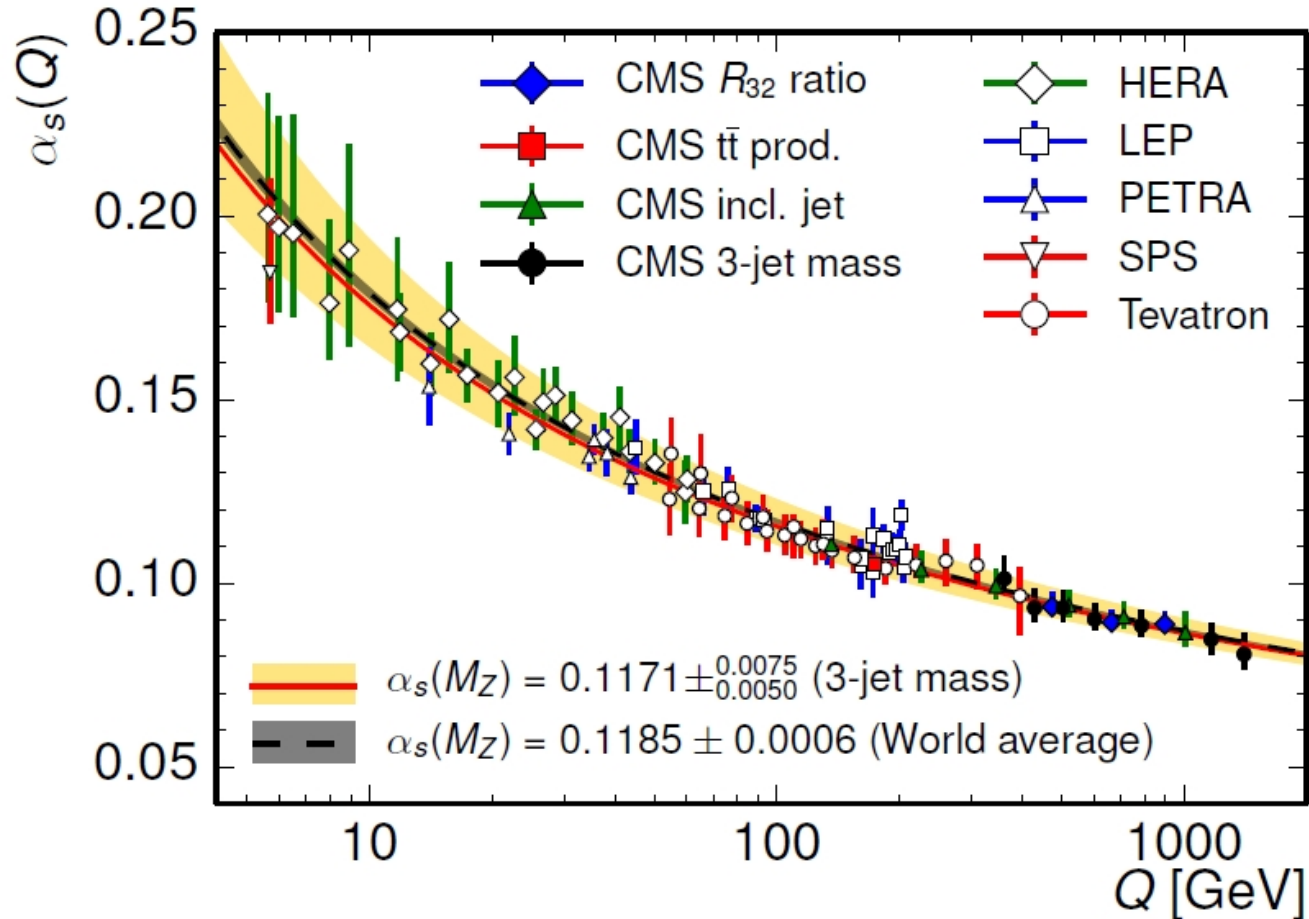
$\gg$  age of Universe



$p > 1$   
Unstable  
vacuum  
( $M_h \downarrow$ )

# Running of $\alpha_s$

- a very precise point from  $t\bar{t}$ bar -



# Construct probability densities: ideogram method

[example from CMS, TOP-14-001 / arXiv:1509.04044 ]

- Simulated samples with
  - 9 different top masses: 161.5–184.5 GeV
  - 3 different JES: 0.96, 1.00, 1.04
- Fit  $m(\text{top})_{\text{fit}}$ ,  $m(W)_{\text{reco}}$  distributions with analytical expressions
- Parametrize linearly in  $m_t$ , JES,  $m_t \times \text{JES}$
- Take into account correct, wrong and unmatched permutations

Example: *correct permutations*

