

# Beyond the SM searches

## with top quark pairs

### produced in p-p collisions

at the LHC

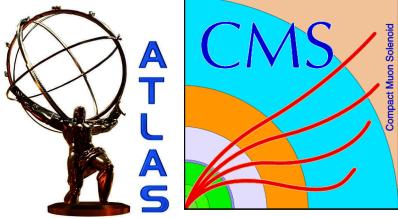
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# Proton-proton collisions

# Experimental challenges

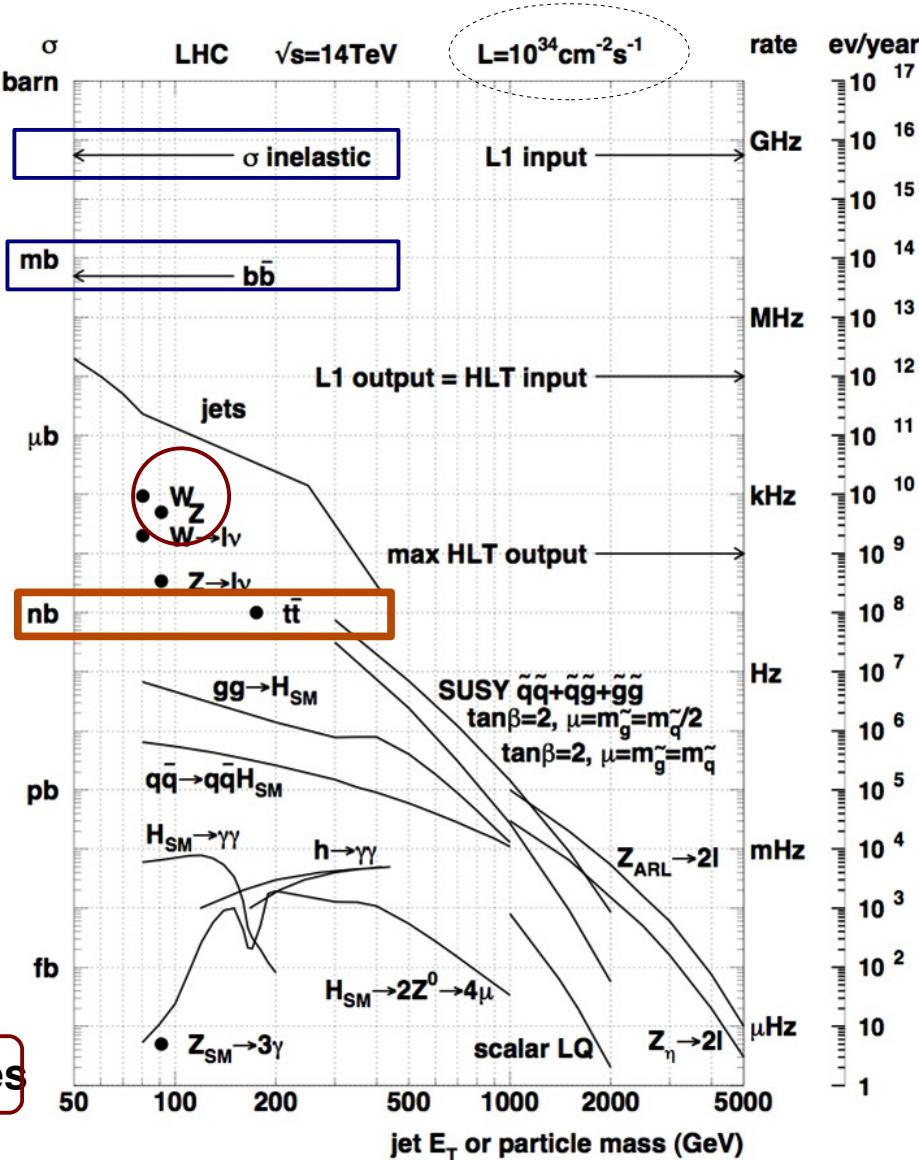
- LHC suited to **explore physics at the TeV scale**

- **Experimental challenges:**

- High cross section and luminosity
  - ⇒ high trigger efficiency
  - ⇒ need radiation hard detectors
- Short time between collisions ( $\sim 25$  ns)
  - ⇒ fast readout
  - ⇒ high granularity to reduce occupancy
  - ⇒ synchronization

- **Physics challenges:**

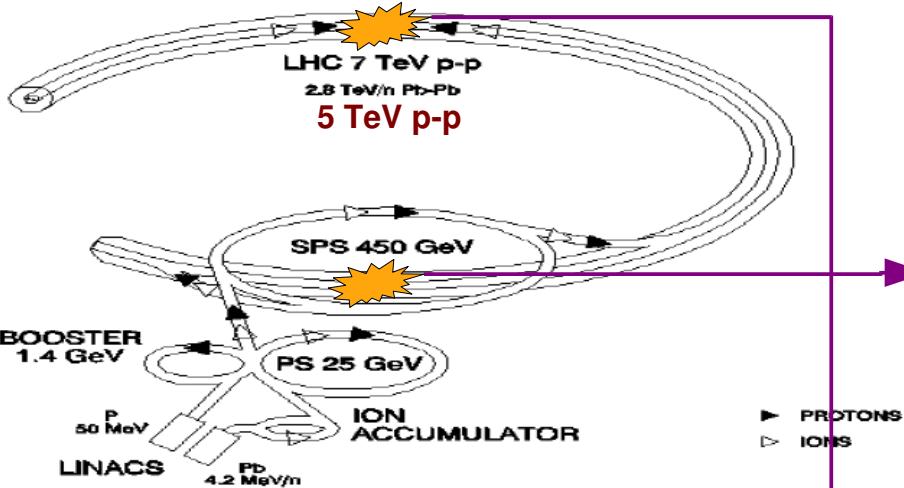
- Probe short-distance parton structure of hadrons
- Hadronic jets, **heavy quark production dominates**
- New physics underlies beneath, **to be found**



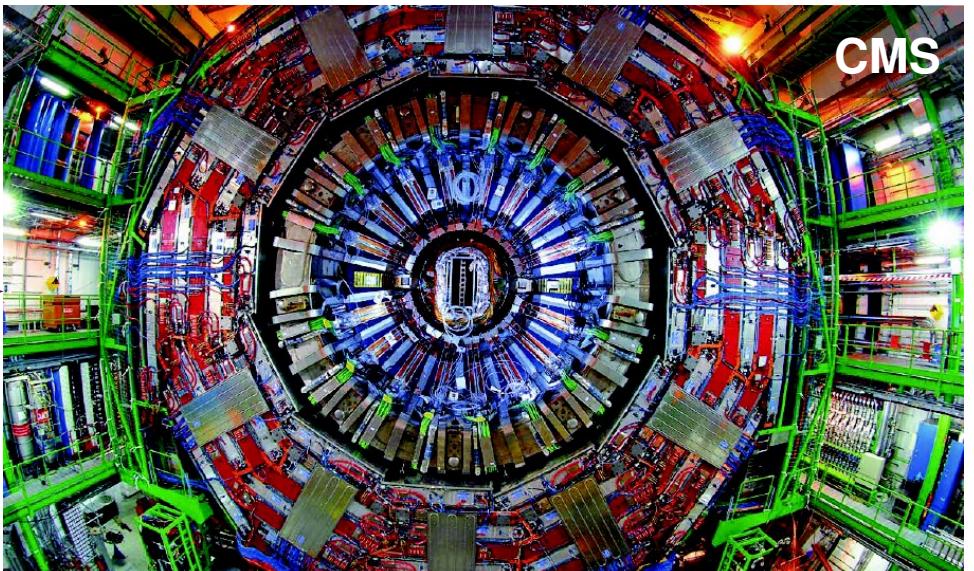
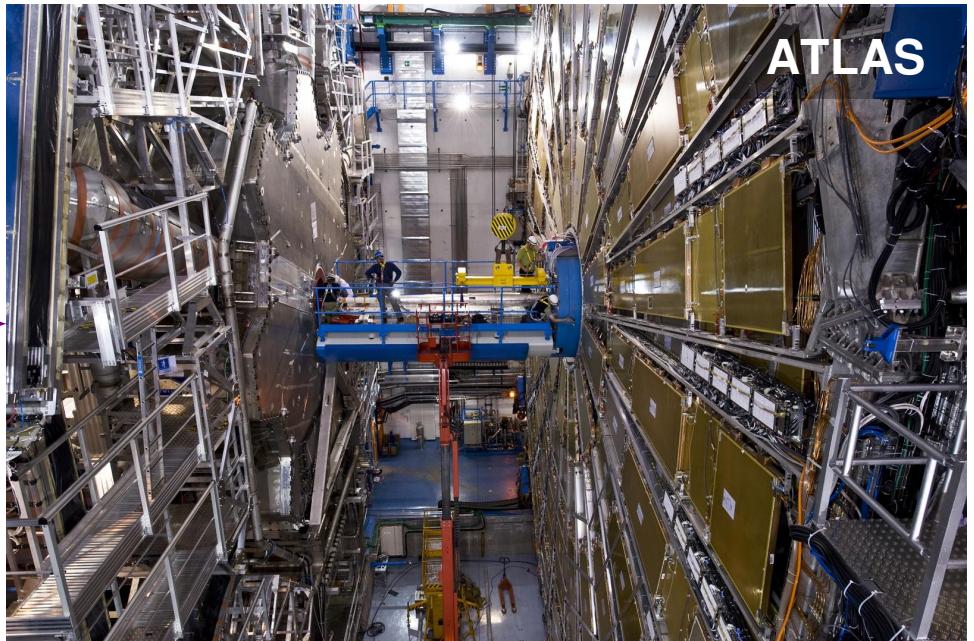


Proton-proton collisions

# The collider and the detectors



- Focus on p-p collisions @ 10 TeV
  - $\sigma_{SM t\bar{t}} \sim 414 \text{ pb}$  ( $\sim 90\%$  gg fusion)
  - $\mathcal{L}=1 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  @ 14 TeV  $\sim \mathcal{L}=2.5 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  @ 10 TeV  
(for SM  $t\bar{t}$  production)
- Detailed description of detectors by:
  - F. Gianotti, L. Masetti, G. Tartarelli (ATLAS)
  - J. Virdee, C. Civinini, T. Orimoto (CMS)

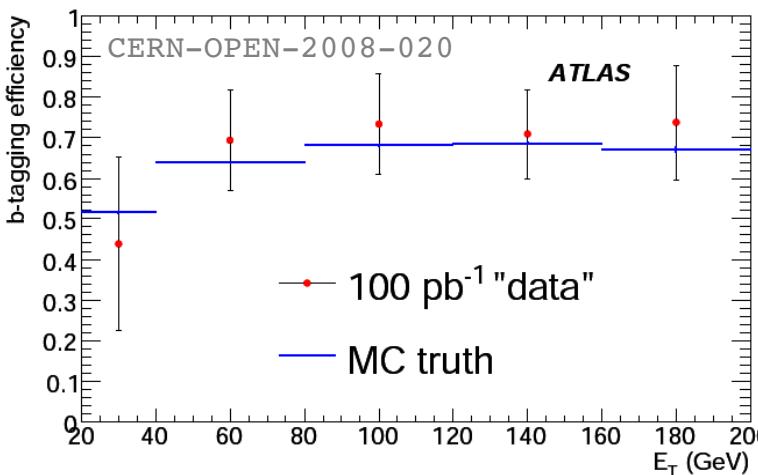
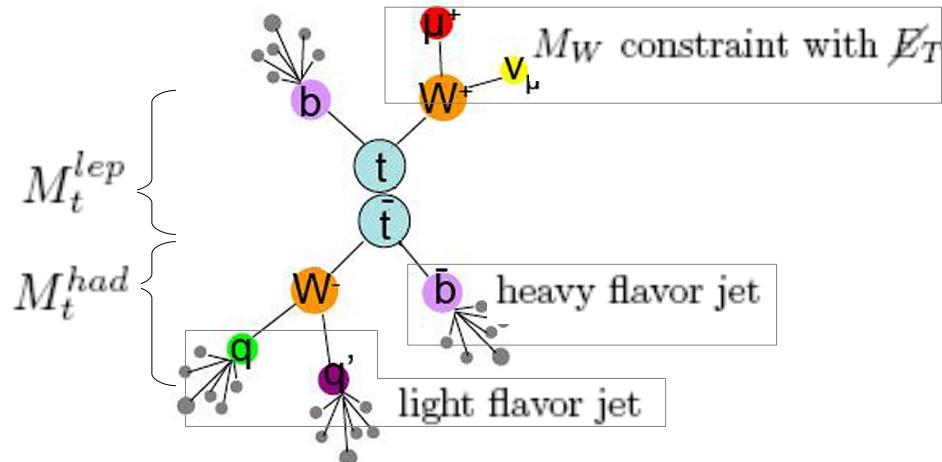




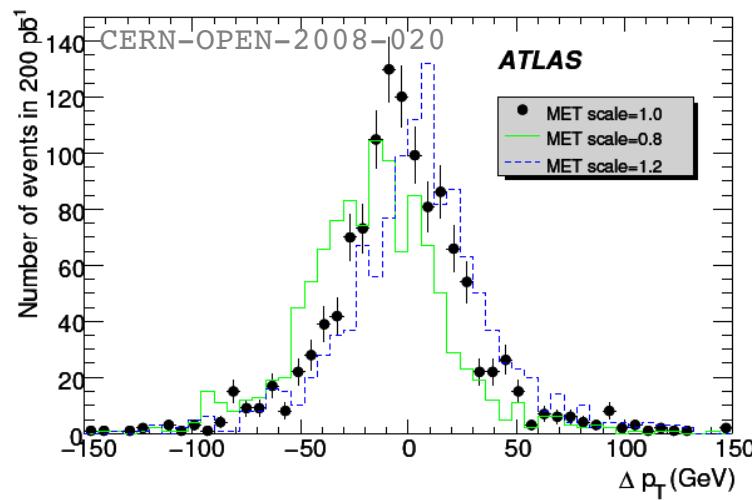
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# What can we learn with first data?

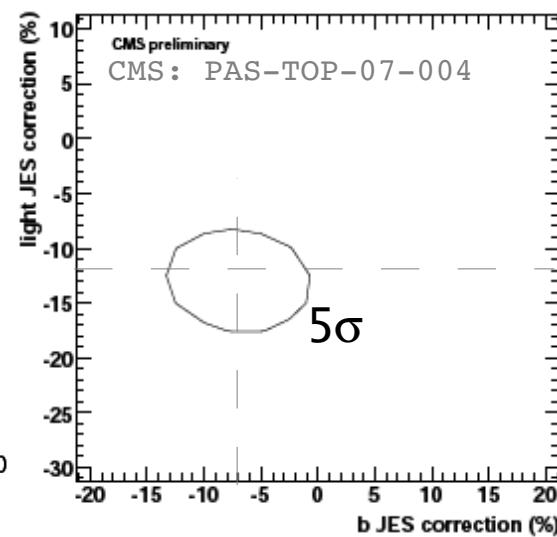
- At the LHC top will
  - need to be rediscovered
  - be a background for many physics analysis
  - be used as a calibration tool ▾



b-tagging efficiency



Missing transverse energy scale



Jet energy scale

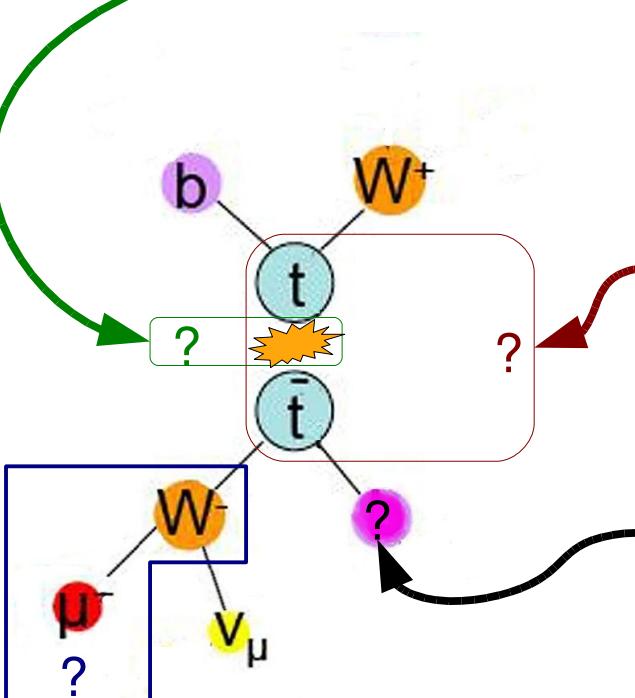
What new can we learn from  $t\bar{t}$  events?



# New Physics in $t\bar{t}$ events

*...a non extensive list*

- New mechanisms might generate  $t\bar{t}$  pairs
  - High-mass resonances ([doi:10.1016/0370-2693\(94\)01660-5](https://doi.org/10.1016/0370-2693(94)01660-5), hep-ph: 0612015)
  - 4<sup>th</sup> generation:  $b'b' \rightarrow t\bar{t} W^+W^-$  (CMS: PAS-EXO-08-009)
- Top's role in **Electro-Weak Sym. Breaking** mechanism
  - Condensate of top quarks ~ Higgs mechanism (hep-ph: 9702381)
- Rare top decays
  - Is  $V_{tb}=1$  ? (hep-ph: 0607115)
  - Flavor Changing Neutral Currents ( $\gamma q$ ,  $qZ$ ,  $qg$  final states) (hep-ph: 08022075)
- Top quark polarization
  - do anomalous couplings occur in  $Wtb$  vertex? (hep-ph: 0605190)

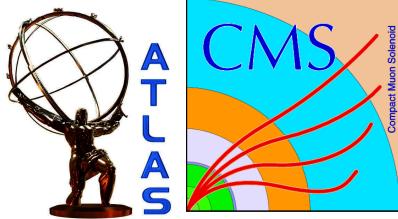




# New Physics in $t\bar{t}$ events

*...roadmap for two specific searches*

- New mechanisms might generate  $t\bar{t}$  pairs
  - High-mass resonances  
⇒ boosted  $t\bar{t}$  system
  - Collimated decay products can be clustered as single jet  
⇒ (*boosted*) top-jet tagging
- Rare top decays
  - simple  $b$  jet counting can probe  $B(t \rightarrow Wb)$
  - $b$  jets often contain secondary vertices and soft leptons  
⇒  $b$ -jet tagging



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# Resonances in $t\bar{t}$ spectrum

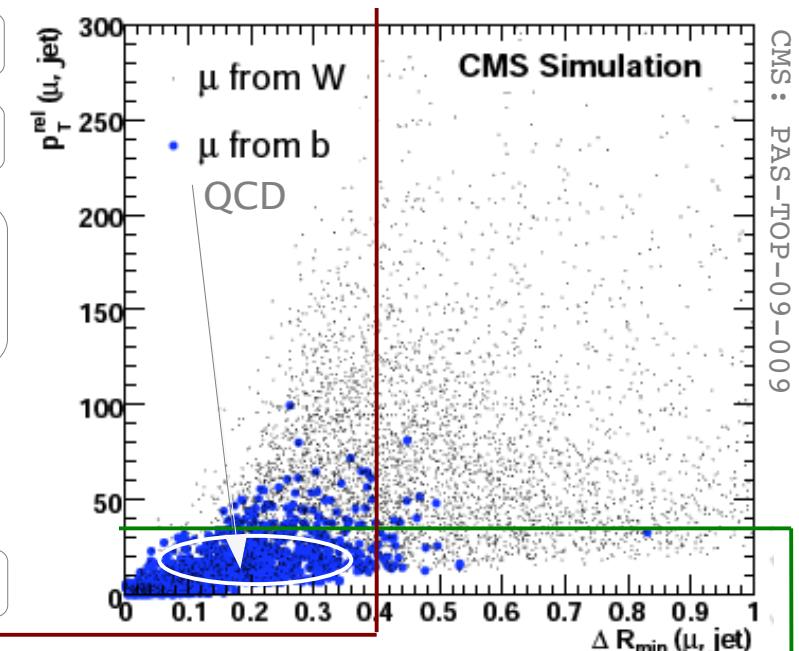
- The  **$\mu + \text{jets}$  channel** can be used to probe “safely” **heavy resonances** in  $t\bar{t}$  events
  - Large statistics:**  $\sim 414 \times 29/81 \times 1/2 = 74 \text{ pb}$  @ 10 TeV
  - Single  $\mu$  trigger** is robust over a large  $M_{t\bar{t}}$  range (no isolation)
  - 1  $\mu$**
  - no other isolated leptons
  - at least 4 jets**
  - $t\bar{t}$  - like topology**

**SM  $t\bar{t}$**   
 $\Rightarrow$  isolated muons

$$\Delta R(\mu, \text{jet}) > 0.4$$

**Higher masses**  
 $\Rightarrow$  collimated decay products

$$p_T^{\text{rel}}(\mu, \text{jet}) > 35 \text{ GeV/c}$$



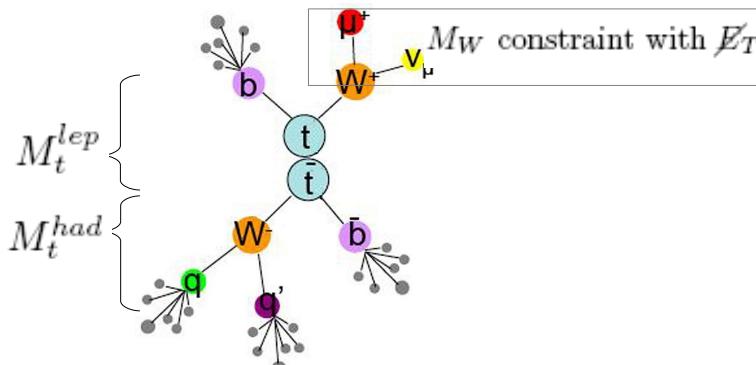


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# Mass reconstruction

1) use a  $\chi^2$  sorting method

$$\min \chi^2(M_t^{\text{had}}, M_t^{\text{lep}}, M_W, H_T, \dots) = 4 \text{ best jets}$$

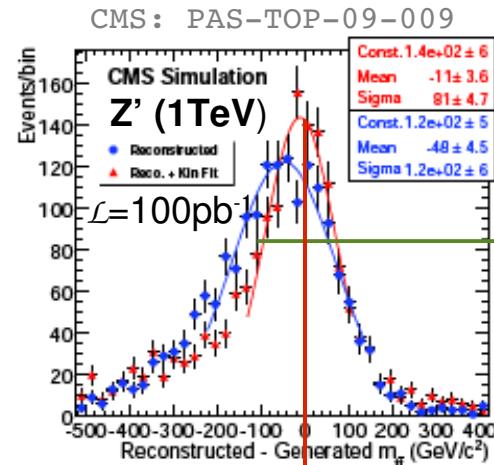


2) reconstruct  $M_{t\bar{t}}$  after kinematics fit

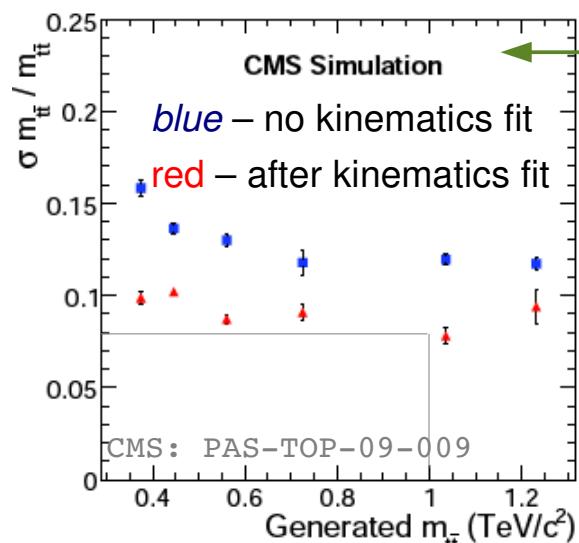
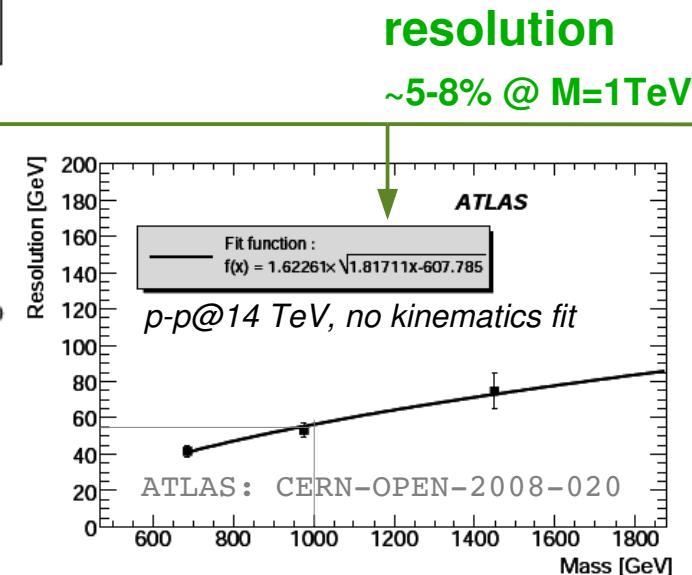
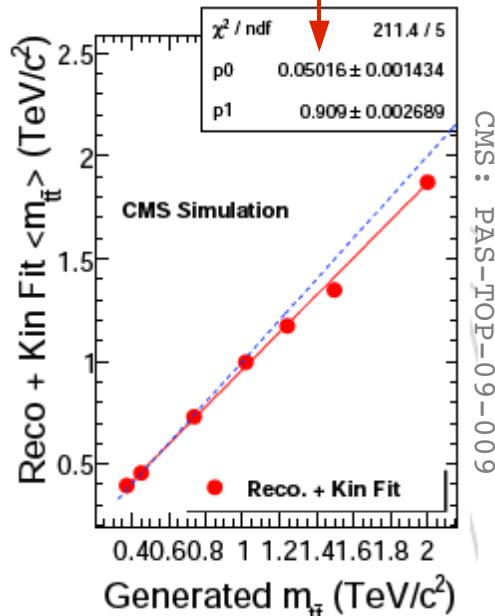
constraints:  $M_t$ ,  $M_{\bar{t}}$ ,  $M_W$

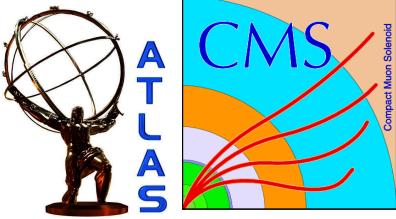
$\Rightarrow$  find best out of 12 combinations

Procedure improves  
reconstruction of  $M_{t\bar{t}}$



linearity

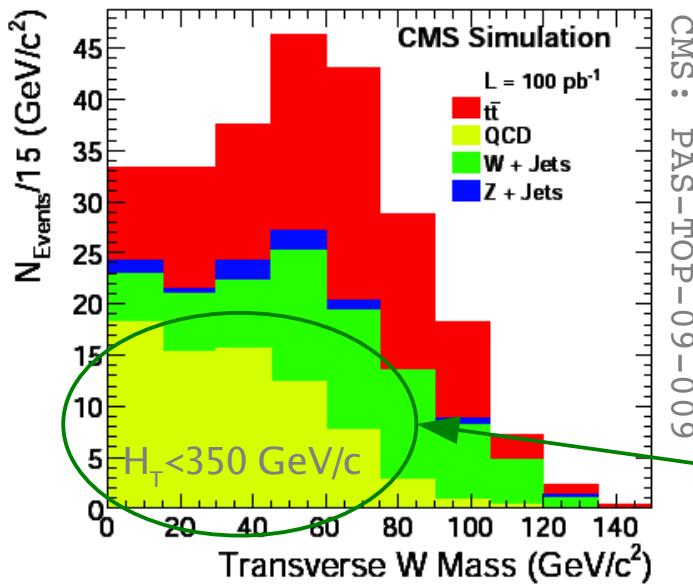




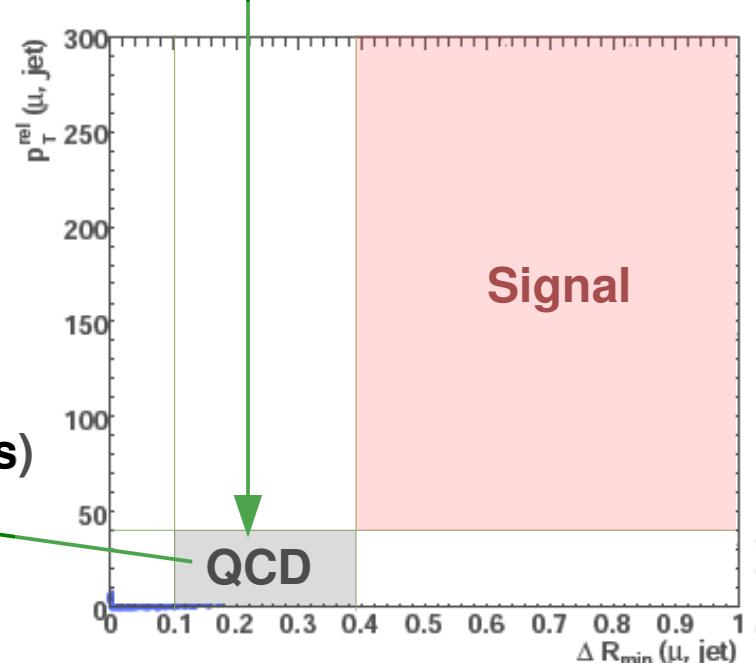
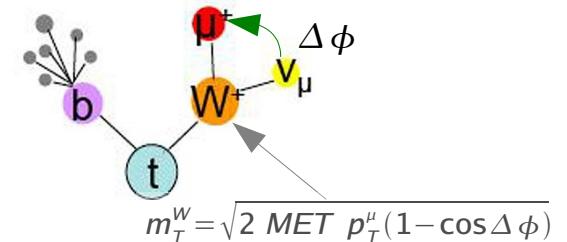
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# Background control from data

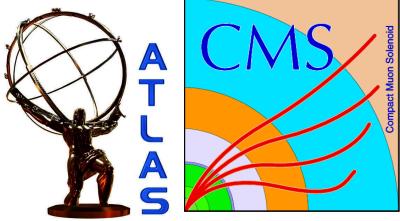
- Find strategies to **control QCD from data** (e.g.  $M_T^W$ )
  - In parallel: tune QCD simulations to first data...
- Get  $M_T^W$  shape in a QCD dominated region**



Fit N(QCD) + N(W+jets)  
in low  $H_T$  events

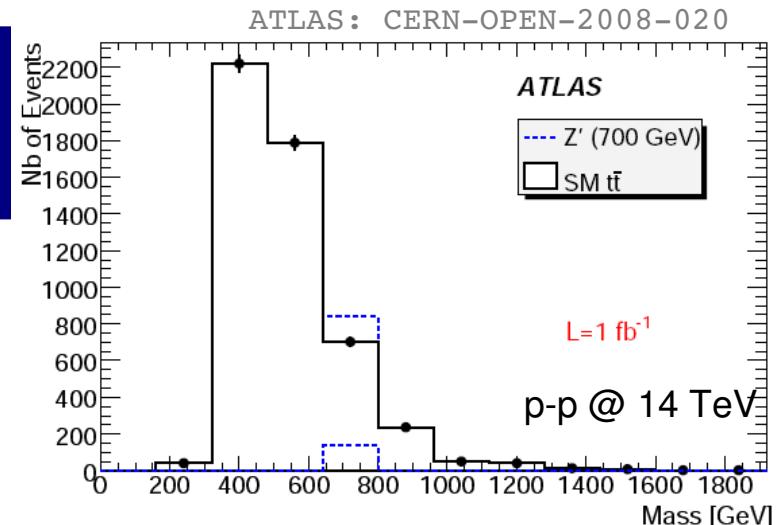


- Re-scale fit results to signal region**
  - QCD: 23% (stat)  $\oplus$  25% (syst)
  - W+jets: 20% (stat)  $\oplus$  20% (syst)
  - systematics dominated by JES + top background



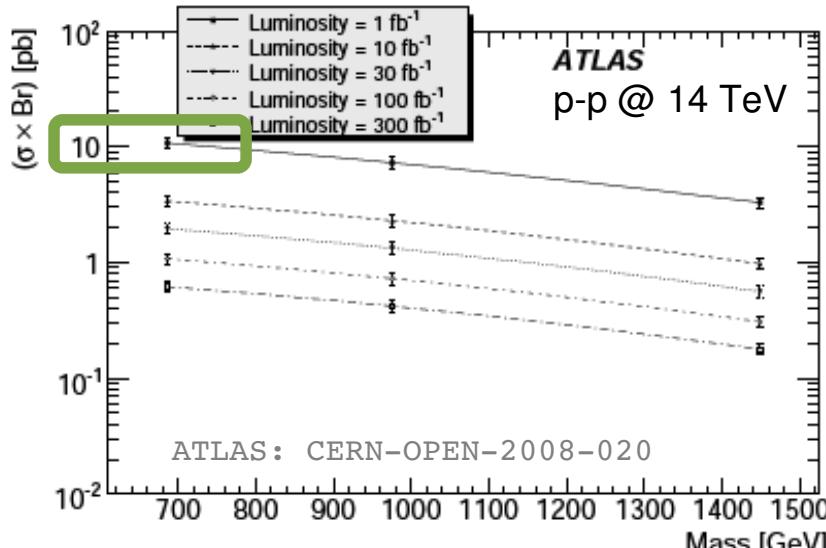
# On the road to discovery Reach for Z'

- **Upper limits on  $\sigma_{Z'}$  from mass spectrum ▶**
  - count events in  $M_{t\bar{t}}$  sliding window;
  - consider background (=SM) only hypothesis;



## ATLAS

- Find **minimum  $\sigma_{Z'}$**  for  **$5\sigma$  deviation**  
⇒ **discovery potential**
- **Systematics < 14%**  
(rec. efficiency, resolution, bckg contribution)

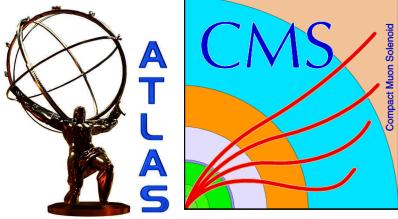


## CMS

- Integrate binned likelihood in signal up to 95%  
⇒ **upper limit for  $\sigma_{Z'}$**
- **Systematics accounted for by pseudo-experiments**  
(JES, bckg contribution, ISR/FSR)

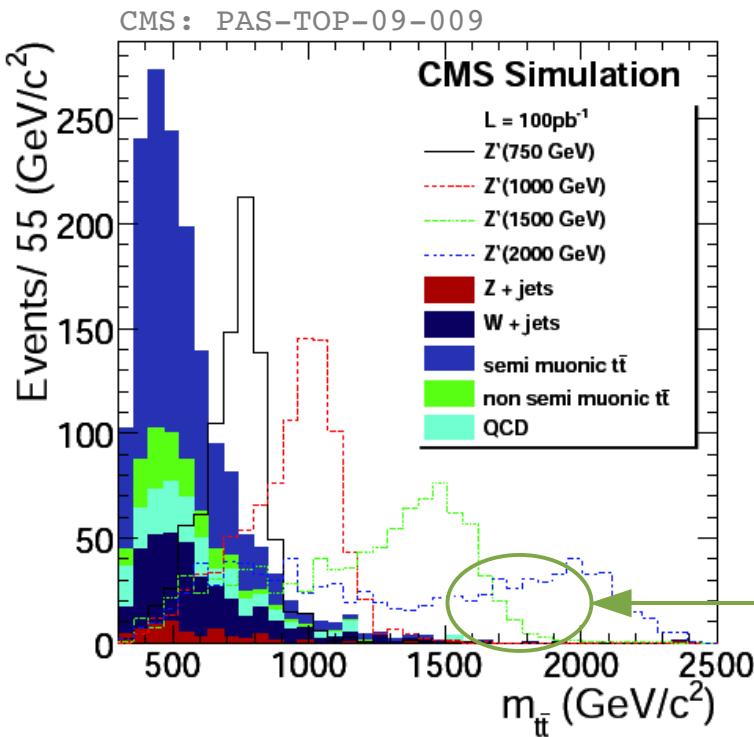
$Z'$ mass [TeV]	$\mathcal{L} = 100 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ (p-p @ 10 TeV)		$\sigma_{Z'}^{\text{TopColor}} [\text{pb}]$
	no systematics	with systematics	
0.75	$11.48^{+7.31}_{-4.27}$	$16.06^{+5.58}_{-2.50}$	13.17
1.00	$6.94^{+4.26}_{-2.80}$	$8.89^{+4.02}_{-2.23}$	3.28
1.25	$6.76^{+3.81}_{-2.75}$	$8.18^{+3.41}_{-2.11}$	1.53
1.50	$6.04^{+4.26}_{-2.41}$	$7.09^{+4.52}_{-1.98}$	0.56
2.00	$7.40^{+3.78}_{-3.39}$	$8.26^{+4.70}_{-3.18}$	0.13

CMS: PAS-TOP-09-009



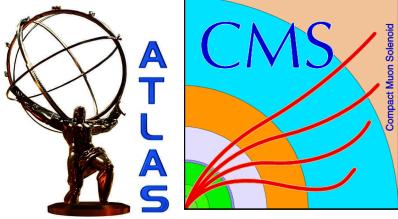
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# On the way to high masses



◀ In **data** we might get one out of these scenarios  
(the  $Z'$  cross-sections have been rescaled to  $t\bar{t}$ )

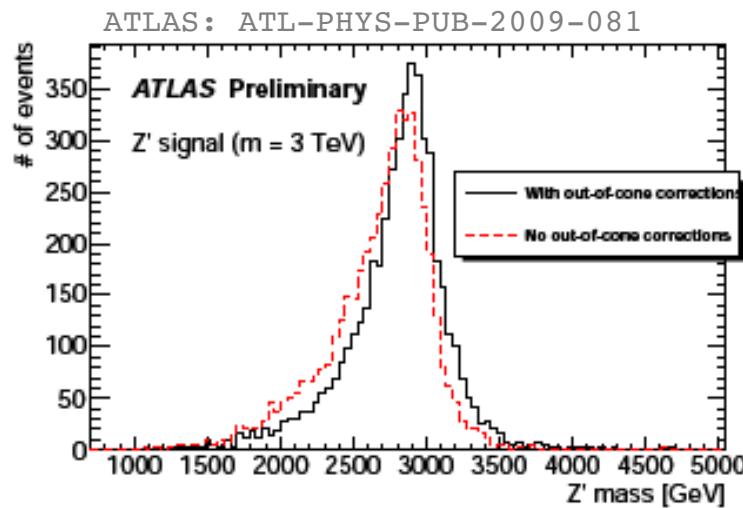
.... but method **breaks down at high-masses**  
*non-gaussian tails*  $\Rightarrow$  alternative needed



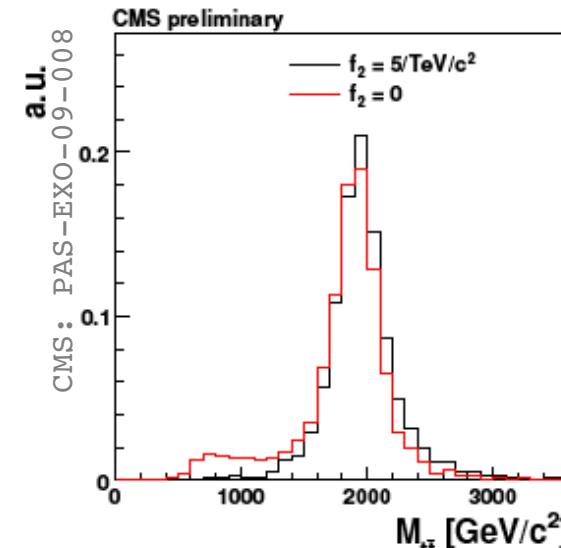
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# Corrections for mass reconstruction

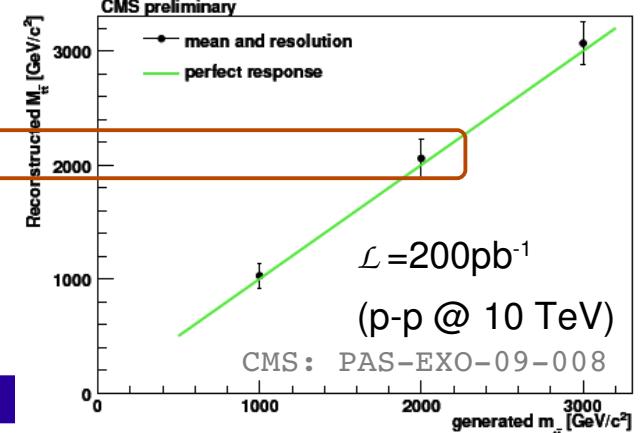
- **Out-of-cone** ( $0.7 < R < 1.2$ )
  - Look-elsewhere in the events ( $\Delta R = 0.4$ )  
 $\Rightarrow$  exclude detector effects
- **Event topology** (distance in phase-space)
  - minimize  $\Delta R(t_{lep}, \mu) + \Delta R(t_{lep}, \nu_\mu) + \Delta R(t_{lep}, b)$   
 $- f_1 \Delta R(t_{lep}, t_{had}) - f_2 M_{t\bar{t}}$



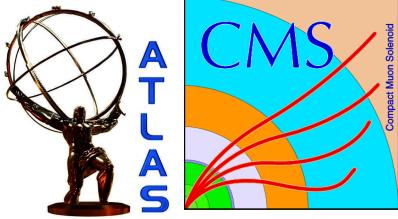
$\mathcal{L} = 1\text{fb}^{-1}$ (p-p @ 14 TeV)		
$m(Z')$ ( $\text{TeV}/c^2$ )	$m_{gen} - m_{reco}$ ( $\text{GeV}/c^2$ )	$\sigma$ ( $\text{GeV}/c^2$ )
2	44	98
3	93	154



Adjust  $f_1, f_2$   
from MC



Improved  $Z'$  resolution, reduced non-Gaussian tails



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# Reach for High-Mass Z'

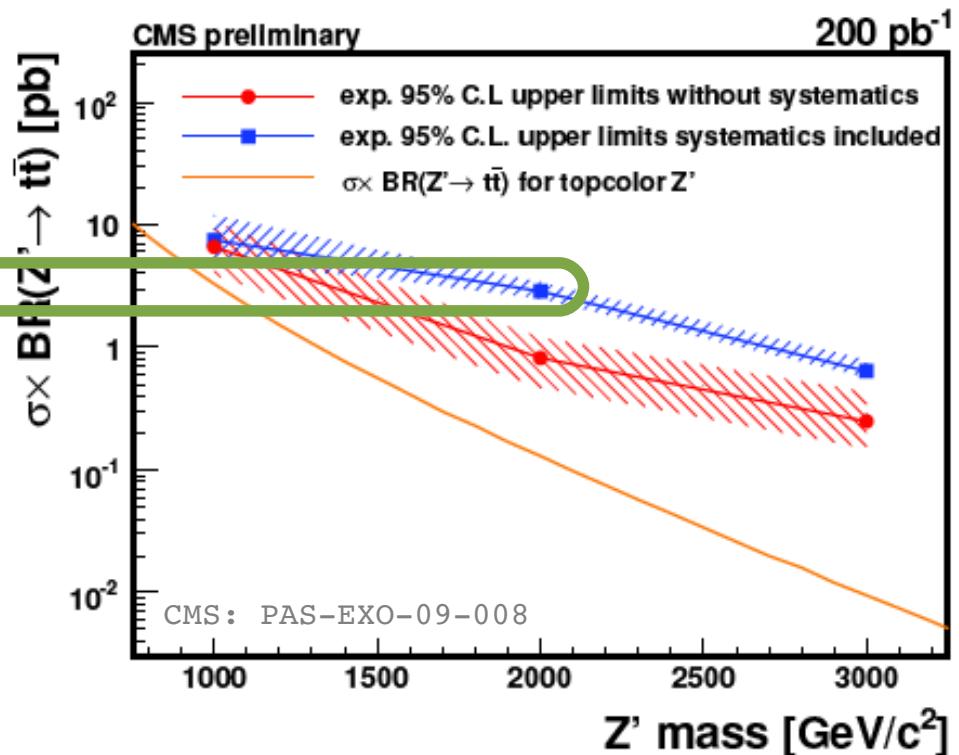
- A **likelihood ratio\*** method can be used
  - $N_{\text{events}}(\text{signal}) \sim 9\%$
  - $N(\text{QCD} + \text{SM } t\bar{t}) \sim 20$  events
- For  $L=1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of data (@ 14 TeV collisions)
  - Upper limit of  $\sim 5.5 \text{ pb}$  is expected

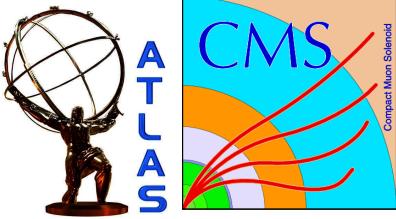
95% C.L. limits on $\sigma \times \text{BR}(t\bar{t})$ (fb)	$y_L > 0.6$	$y_L > 0.9$	$y_L > 1.2$
$m = 2 \text{ TeV}$	550	650	1400
$m = 3 \text{ TeV}$	160	180	450

ATLAS: ATL-PHYS-PUB-2009-081

\* The *likelihood ratio* ( $y_L$ ) uses  $m_{\text{top monojet}}$  (next slide) and the the first scales for the  $k_T$ -algorithm splitting as variables.  
Hadronic top monojets are required to have  $y_L > 0.6$

- **Background contamination** can be extracted from  **$M_{t\bar{t}}$  sidebands** (see slide 9)
  - Low  $H_T^{\text{lep}}$  region ( $< 200 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ )
  - $0.1 < \Delta R(\mu, \text{jet}) < 0.4 \wedge p_T^{\text{rel}}(\mu, \text{jet}) < 35 \text{ GeV}/c^2$

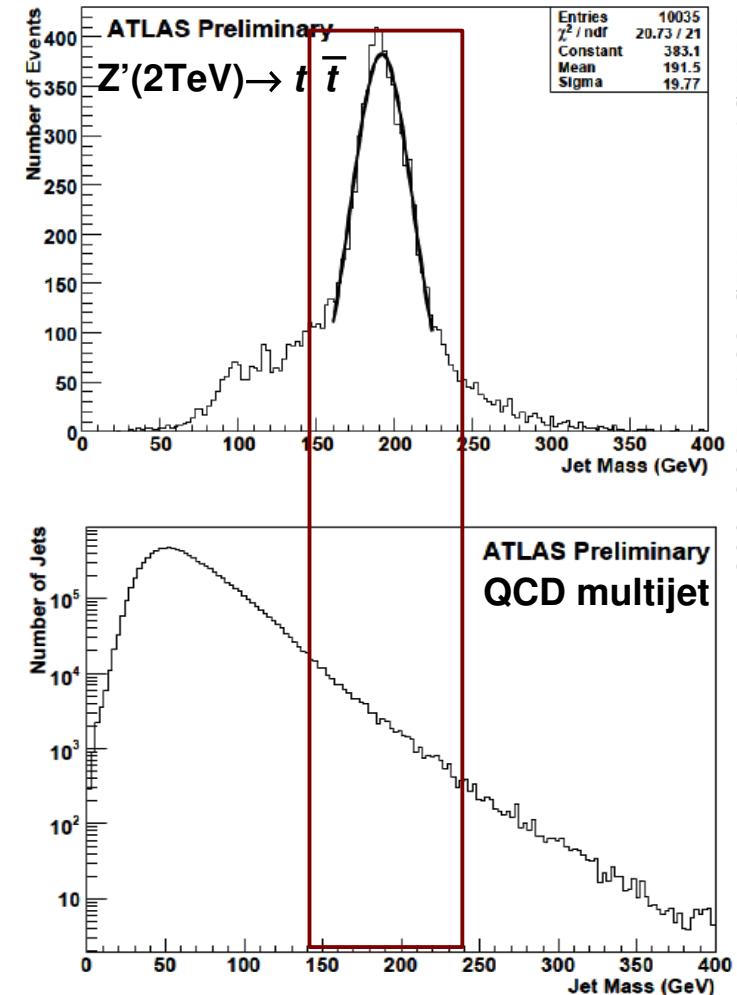
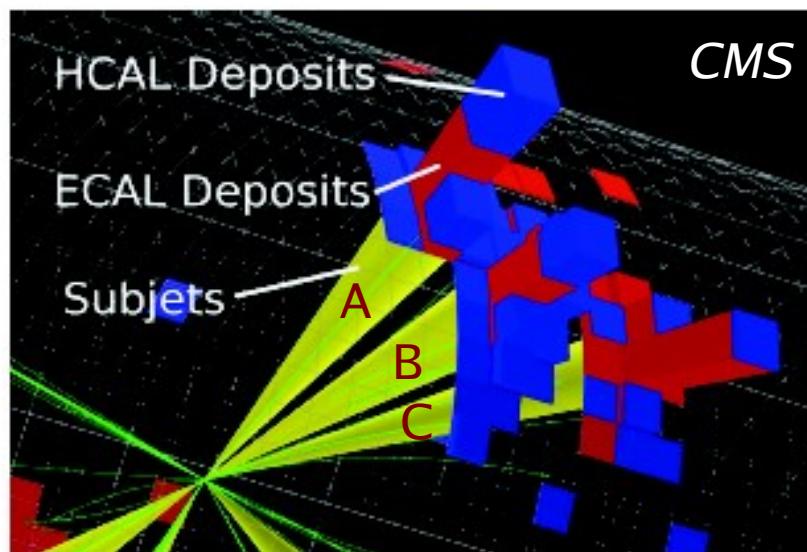




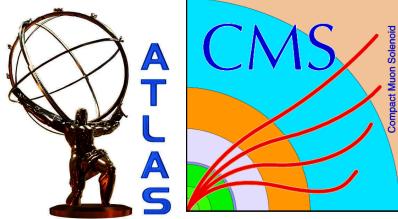
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# Boosted top jet tagging

- Boosted tops produce broader jets ( $\Delta R > 0.5$ )
  - $M_{\text{jet}} \rightarrow M_{\text{top}}$  (in contrast with  $M_{\text{jet}} \propto p_T^{\text{jet}}$  in QCD). ▶
  - contains all top decay products (b + W-decay);
  - decomposable in 3 (or 4) sub-jets: A,B,C (D);
  - $\min \{M_{A,B}; M_{A,C}; M_{B,C}\} \sim M_W$  ( $b$  sub-jet leads in  $p_T$ )
- Efficiency: ~46% + fake rate: ~2% derivable from data



...more details check S. Rappoccio (CMS)



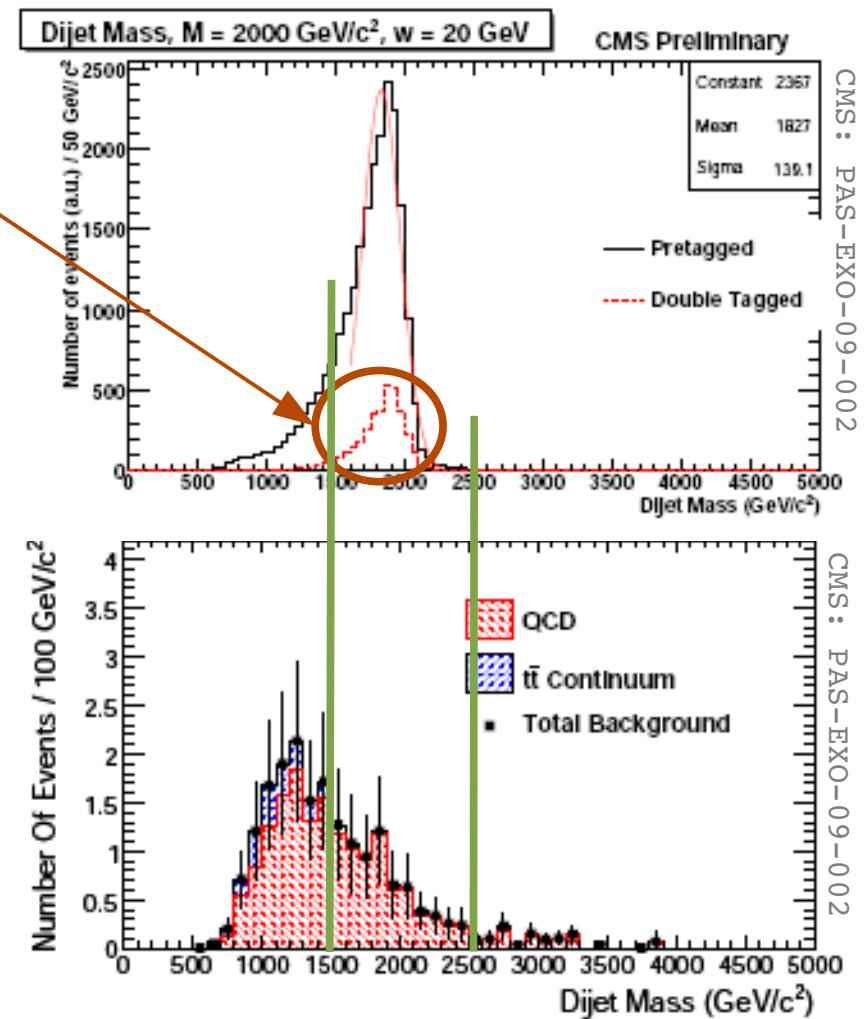
# On the road to discovery Di-(top) jet resonances

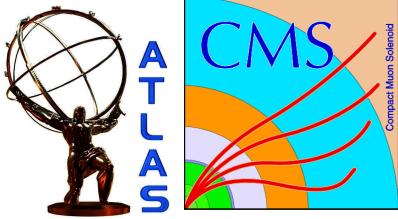
- Construct **di-jet mass** from pre-tagged sample ( $p_T > 250 \text{ GeV}/c$ ;  $|\eta| < 2.5$ )
- **Signal estimated after double tag:**

$$S(m_0) = L \times \sigma(M) \times B(t\bar{t} \rightarrow \text{jets}) \times \int_{M-2\sigma}^{M+2\sigma} dm \frac{N_{2-\text{tags}}(m)}{N_{\text{total}}(m)}$$

- **Background can be estimated from data:**
  - **mistag parameterization predicts** background (= double mistags)

Quantity	Relative Uncertainty	Uncertainty on $S$ and $B$ at $m_0 = 2 \text{ TeV}/c^2$
<b>Signal Uncertainties</b>		
Top Tagging Efficiency	6.5%	13%
JES Uncertainty on Acceptance	5%	5%
Total Signal Uncertainty		<b>14%</b>
<b>Background Uncertainties</b>		
Statistical uncertainty	10%	10%
JES Uncertainty on QCD Background	35%	33%
t̄t Continuum Contribution	100%	5%
Luminosity	10%	10%
Total Background Uncertainty		<b>36%</b>

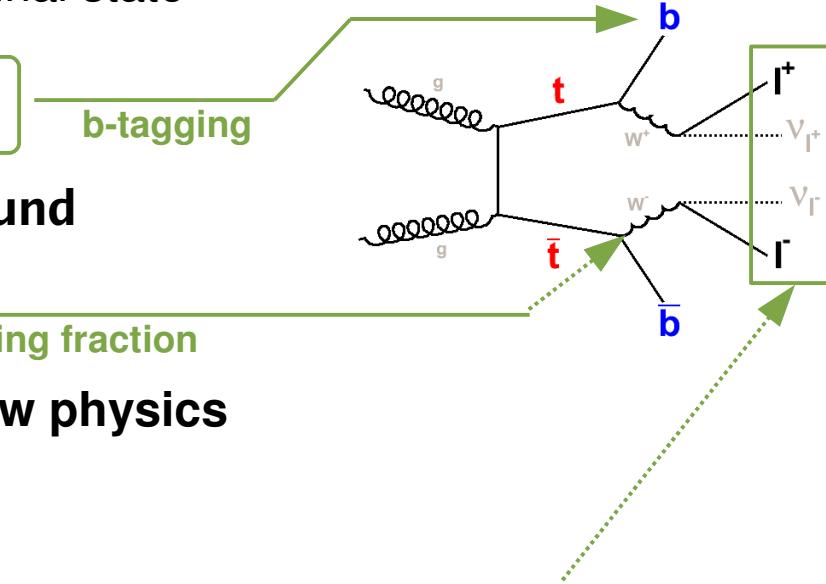




# On the road to discovery Top decays

- $t\bar{t}$  decays produce 2  $b$  jets in the final state**

2  $b$  jets =  $t\bar{t}$  experimental signature?



Is  $V_{tb} = 1?$

branching fraction

⇒  $O(0.1)$  deviations may evidence **new physics**

- Dilepton  $t\bar{t}$  channel** may provide clean answer with early data ( $L=250 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ )

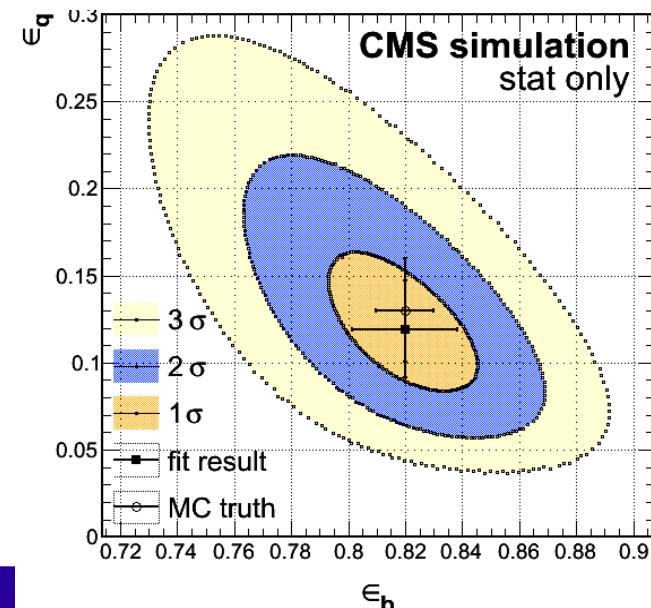
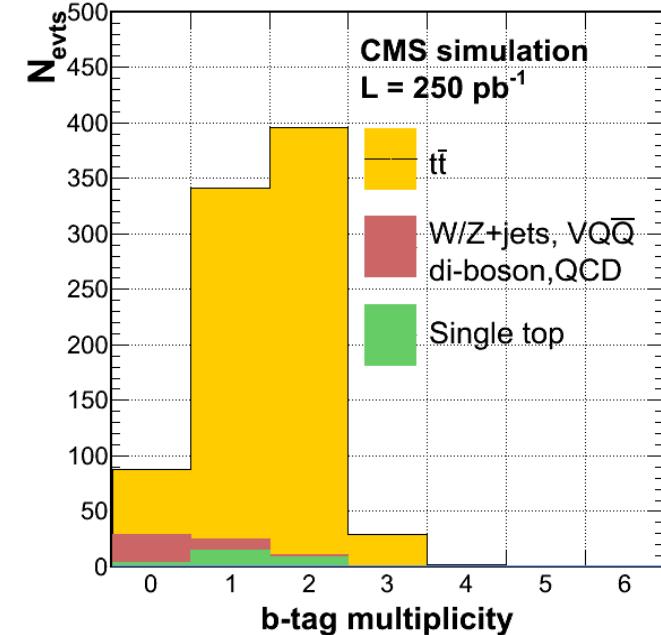
- **Orthogonal** to beyond SM searches in other  $t\bar{t}$  channels
- **e- $\mu$**  final state **provides a clean signature**, almost background free ( $S/B \sim 10$ )



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# ***b* - tagging efficiency in $t\bar{t}$**

- Analyze ***b*-tag multiplicity** of dilepton events:
  - Use simple algorithms based on impact parameters
  - Count** the number of ***b*-tags** per event
  - Compare with expectations** based on
    - $\epsilon_b$  ( $\epsilon_q$ ) - *b*-tag (mistag) rates
    - $R = B(t \rightarrow Wb) / B(t \rightarrow Wq)$
    - jet misassignment fraction;
- b*-tagging efficiency is computed (assume  $R=1$ , SM inspired)
  - 2%(stat)  $\oplus$  4%(syst)** uncertainty
  - higher statistics yield  $\epsilon_b = \epsilon_b(p_T)$ , see slide 3 (ATLAS results)
  - Why not use *b*-tagging as handle against QCD background with first data?





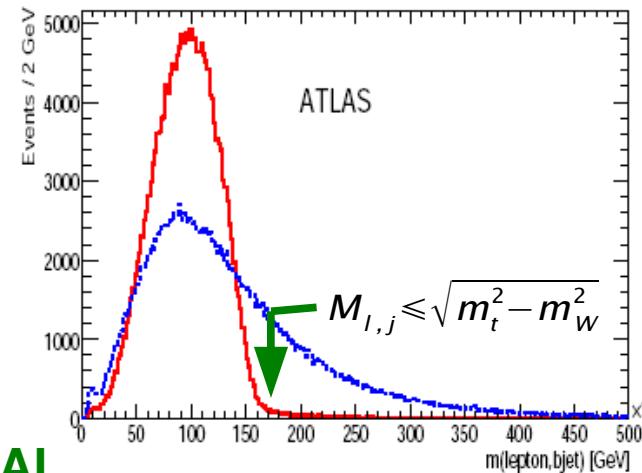
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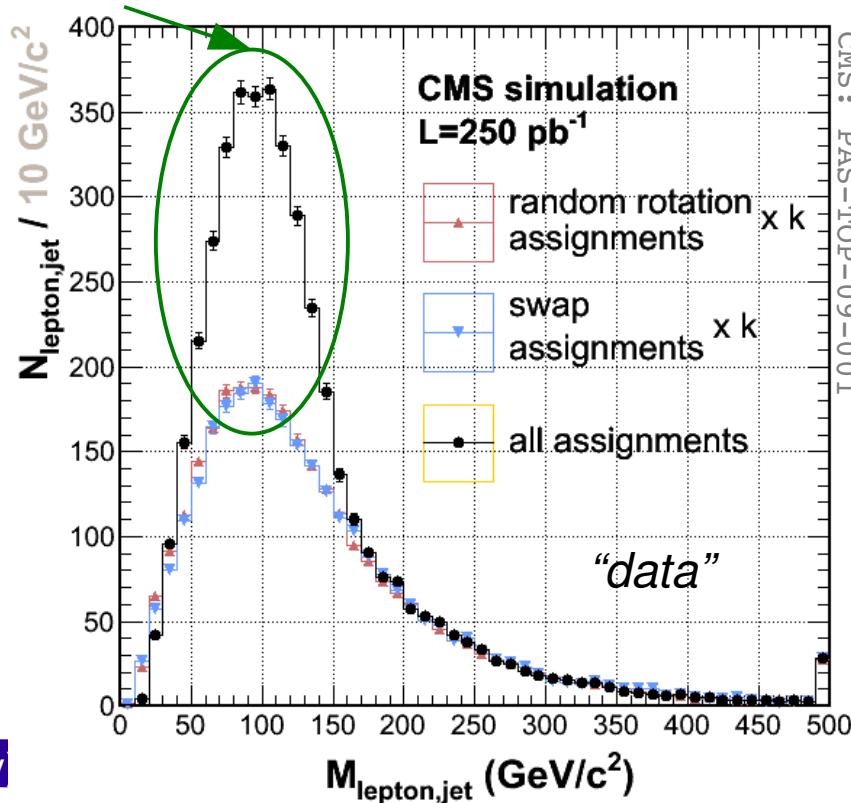
- **Correct lepton-jet assignments** have  $M_{lj} < 156 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  ▶
- **Tail in mass spectrum controls ISR/FSR from data**
  - **Combinatorial assignments** modeled by:
    - **Swap**: pair leptons and jets from different events;
    - **Random rotation** of the leptons;
  - Normalization: scale shape at high masses. ▶
- **Method determines the fraction of jets from  $t\bar{t}$** 
  - correctly reconstructed and selected;
  - **dominated by statistical uncertainty** ▶

Method	$N_{mis}^{M>190} / N_{mis}$	$\alpha$
$t\bar{t}$ events from MADGRAPH		
average	$0.21 \pm 0.01$	$0.82 \pm 0.04$
MC truth	$0.20 \pm 0.01$	$0.80 \pm 0.01$

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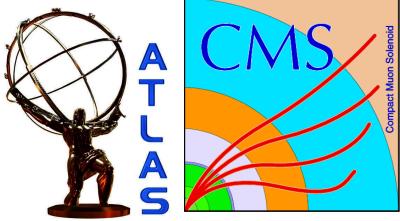
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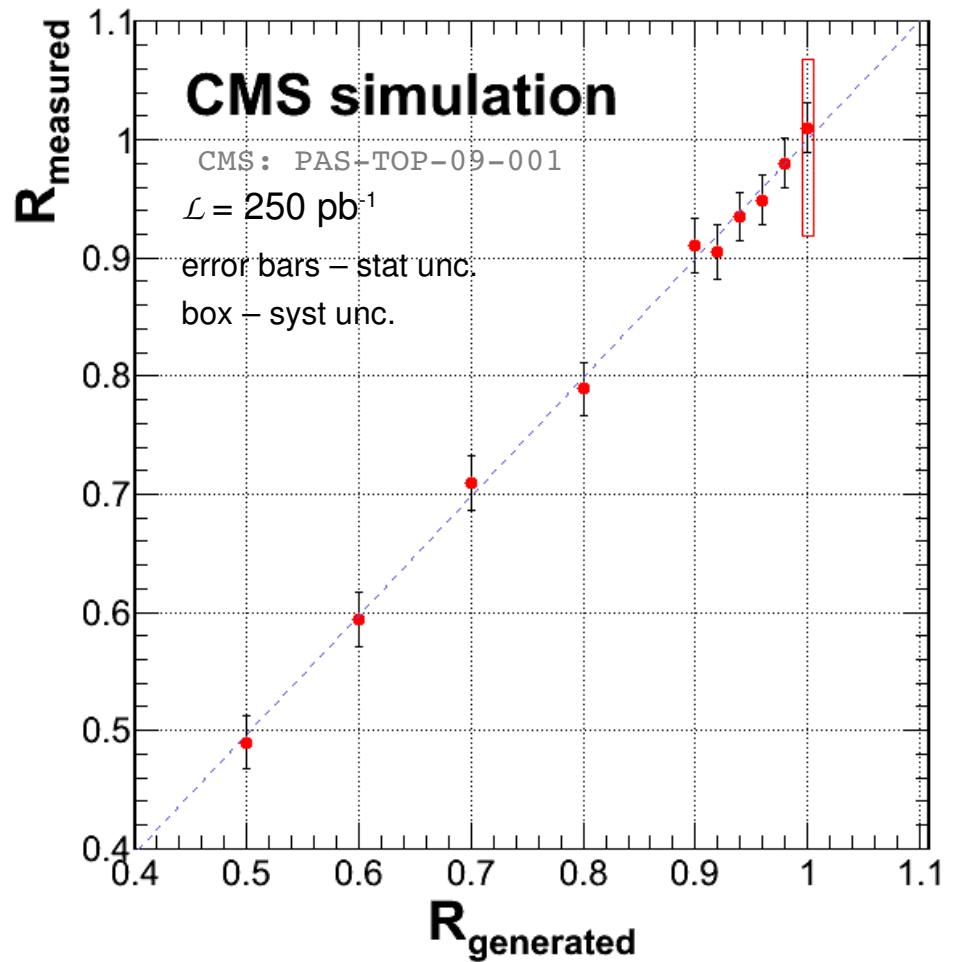
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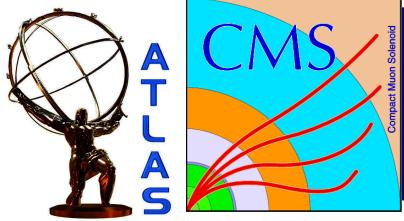


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# Measurement of $R = B(t \rightarrow Wb)/B(t \rightarrow Wq)$

- **Total uncertainty  $\sim 9\%$  (stat+syst)**
  - dominated by uncertainty in  $\varepsilon_b$   
(if  $L=10\text{pb}^{-1}$  is used for  $\sigma_{\varepsilon_b} \Rightarrow \sigma_R \sim 14\%$ )
  - the variation of ISR/FSR is controlled ( $\sigma_R < 1\%$ )
- **Systematic uncertainty can be reduced** with **10x more data**  $\Delta\varepsilon_b/\varepsilon_b = 10\% \rightarrow 5\%$
- Combined measurement with lepton+jets channel may also help reducing common uncertainties





# Conclusions

- With the upcoming LHC collider  $t\bar{t}$  will be re-discovered in distinct ways:
  - bridge with Tevatron discovery;
  - provide calibration for the ATLAS and CMS detectors (energy scales, b-tagging, etc.);
  - appear as background / open window for new physics searches
- Focused on the searches for heavy resonances in  $t\bar{t}$  production:
  - Intermediate and High-Mass resonance searches (can aim for  $\sigma \times BR \sim 8 pb$  discovery with  $\sim 100 pb^{-1}$ );
  - Data-driven background estimation is crucial before detectors are understood+MC is tuned;
  - Jet tagging algorithms are powerful tools against background rejection
    - Top jet tagging identifies the unique signature of collimated top jet decays (stay tuned for next talk)
    - $b$ -jet tagging identifies the unique signature of the  $b$ -jets from top decays
    - Efficiencies can be derived from data and be used with early data



# Backup slides

- Look for the original analysis in:

[ATLAS Physics Results](#)

CERN-OPEN-2008-020

ATL-PHYS-PUB-2009-081

ATL-PHYS-CONF-2008-008

[CMS Physics Results](#)

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Proton-proton collisions

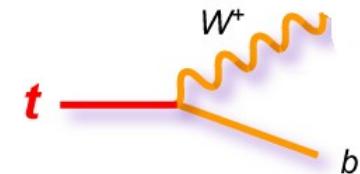
# Top Quark Production

- Top quark can be produced in pairs



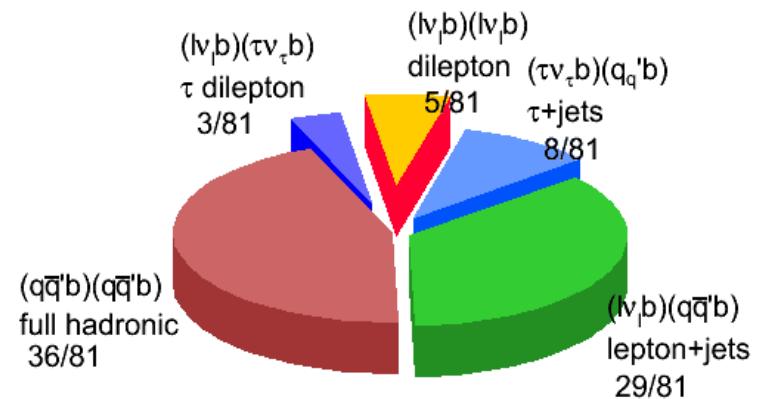
Collider	Collisions	When	$\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$ (pb)	Production Ch.
Tevatron	$p - \bar{p}$	Run I	5.0	$\approx 90\% q\bar{q}$
		Run II	7.5	$\approx 85\% q\bar{q}$
LHC	$p - p$	first data	414	$\approx 90\% gg$
		full operation	911	$\approx 95\% gg$

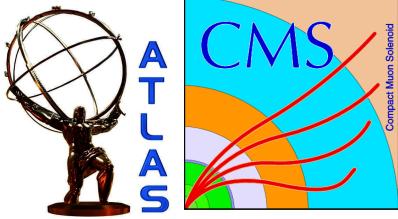
- Decays promptly, coupling preferentially to the b-quark ►



- Decay channel of the W-boson identifies the  $t - \bar{t}$  system decay channel ►

- each channel offers specific experimental challenges





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# Event yields for Z' search

- Selection efficiencies for  $t\bar{t}$  and Z' events for  $L = 100\text{pb}^{-1}$

$m_{t\bar{t}}$	500 GeV	750 GeV	1000 GeV	1250 GeV	1500 GeV	2000 GeV
$\epsilon(\text{SM } t\bar{t}) \text{ (%)}$	$15.3 \pm 0.2$	$17.3 \pm 0.5$	$16.9 \pm 0.5$	$16.2 \pm 0.6$	$15.5 \pm 1.0$	$12.7 \pm 2.7$
$\epsilon(Z') \text{ (%)}$	$13.6 \pm 0.4$	$21.3 \pm 0.6$	$23.9 \pm 0.6$	$24.6 \pm 0.6$	$25.4 \pm 0.6$	$24.0 \pm 0.6$

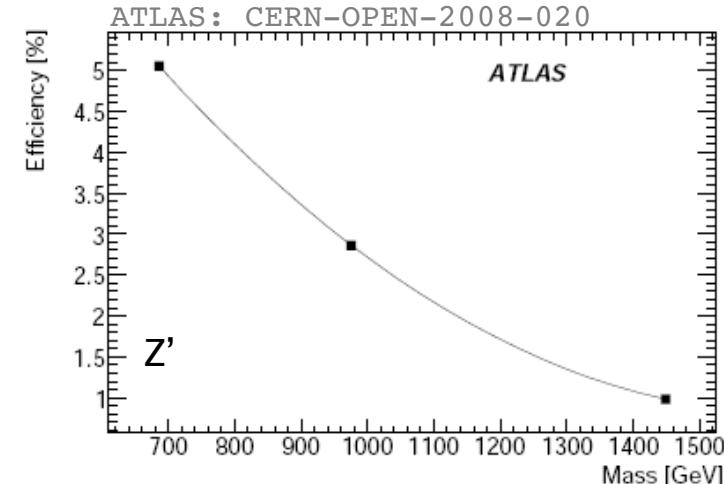
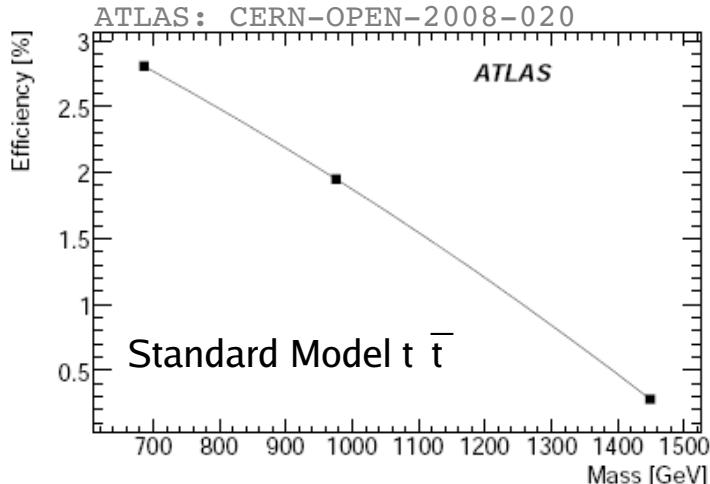
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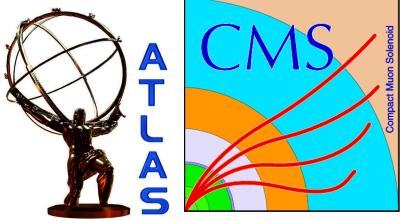
- Event yields after full event selection for **SM processes** ( $L=100\text{pb}^{-1}$ )

requirement	$t\bar{t} b\bar{q}\bar{q}\bar{b}\mu\nu$	Other $t\bar{t}$	$W+\text{jets}$	$Z+\text{jets}$	QCD
Events in $100/\text{pb}$	6255	35K	4.1M	370K	$>12\text{M}$
Muon trigger	4966	6926	767K	102K	9.7M
Muon selection	2891	1538	387K	61K	46K
Veto second lepton	2816	1242	386K	33K	46K
4 jets with $E_T > 35 \text{ GeV}$	932	160	352	62	188
Fit convergence	$910 \pm 2$	$147 \pm 1$	$317 \pm 14$	$58 \pm 6$	$183 \pm 20$

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- Reconstruction efficiencies compared:





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# Binned likelihood for $\sigma_Z$ ,

$$L = \prod_{i=1}^{N_{\text{evts}}} P(M_i | N_S, \beta_S, \beta_{t\bar{t}}, \beta_{QCD}, \beta_{W+jets}) G(\beta_{t\bar{t}} | 1, \Delta_{\beta_{t\bar{t}}}) G(\beta_{QCD} | 1, \Delta_{\beta_{QCD}}) G(\beta_{W+jets} | 1, \Delta_{\beta_{W+jets}})$$

reconstructed  $t\bar{t}$   
invariant mass in event  $i$

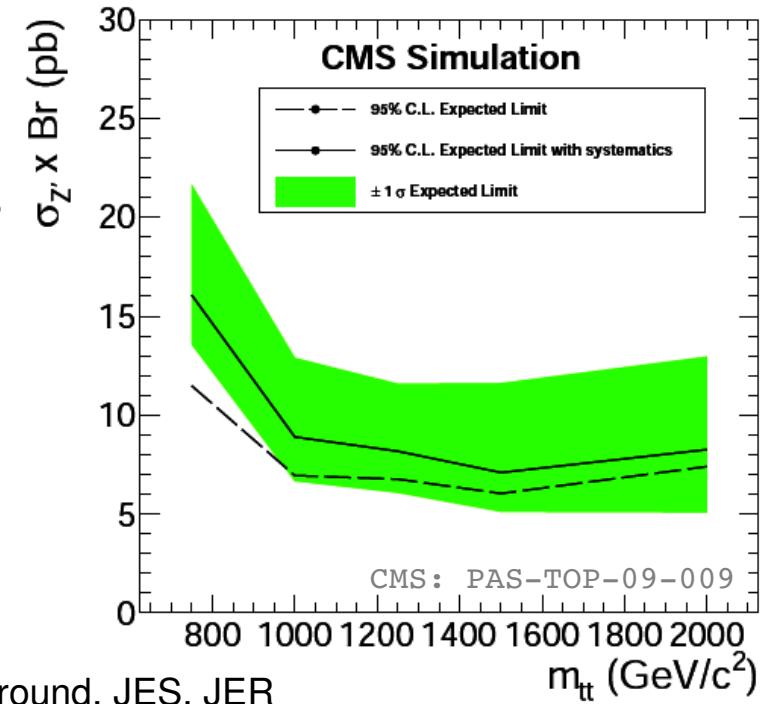
number of signal  
(Z) events

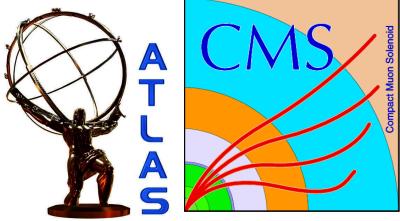
$\beta = \frac{\sigma(\text{measured})}{\sigma(\text{expected})}$

Gaussian distribution

uncertainties in the accepted  
predicted  $\sigma_S$  sample by sample

- The likelihood is profiled in  $\beta_s$  (signal only) by minimizing w.r.t to the backgrounds
- The upper limit on  $\sigma_Z$  obtained integrating  $L(\beta_s)$  to 95%
- Upper limit distribution obtained by pseudo-experiments
  - Dice the background contributions from the MC expectations
  - use  $\beta_s$  median as estimator for U.L. (34% interval =  $1\sigma$  error band)
  - Systematics induce variations of  $\beta_s$  and are taken into account by pseudo-experiments
    - accepted background cross sections, ISR/FSR, QCD multijet background, JES, JER

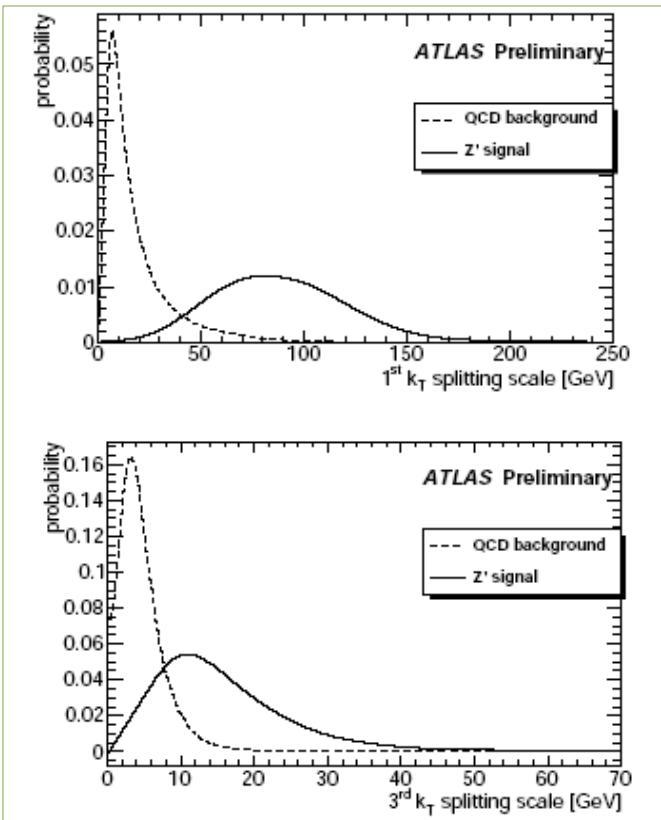




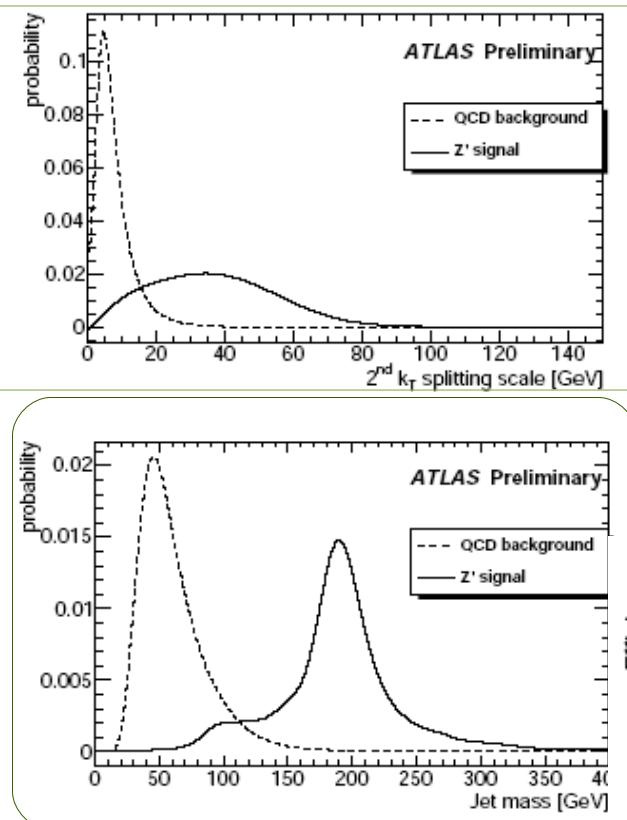
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# Likelihood for high mass Z' searches

- The pdf's for signal and backgrounds are built out of 4 variables

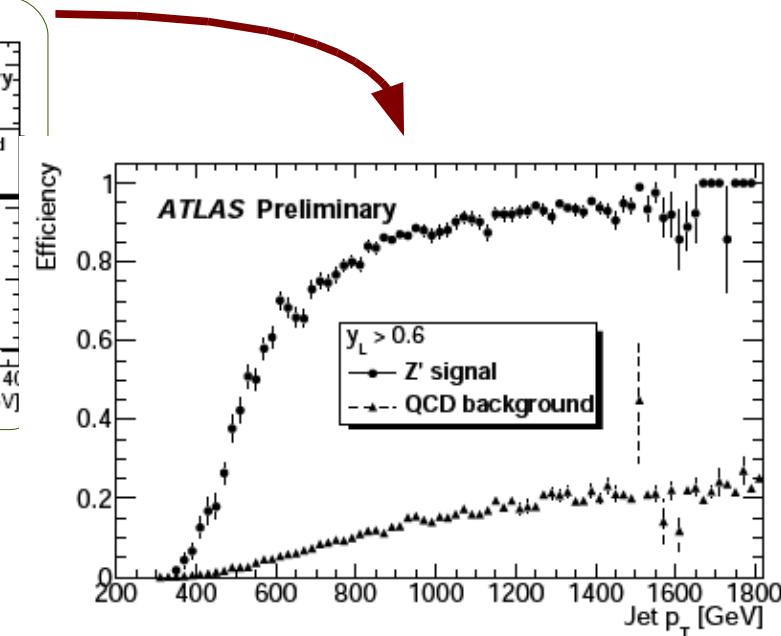


First  $k_T$  splitting variables

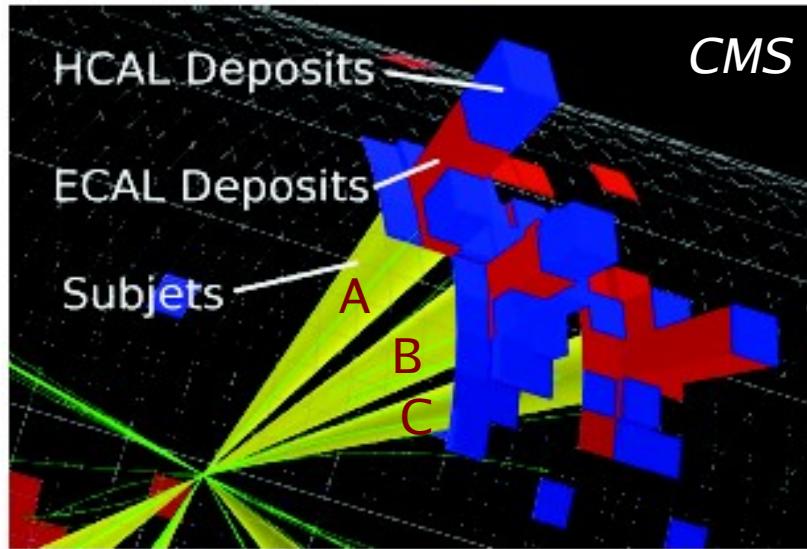


Top monojet mass

$$y_L(i) = \frac{\ln(L_S(i)/L_B(i))}{15}$$

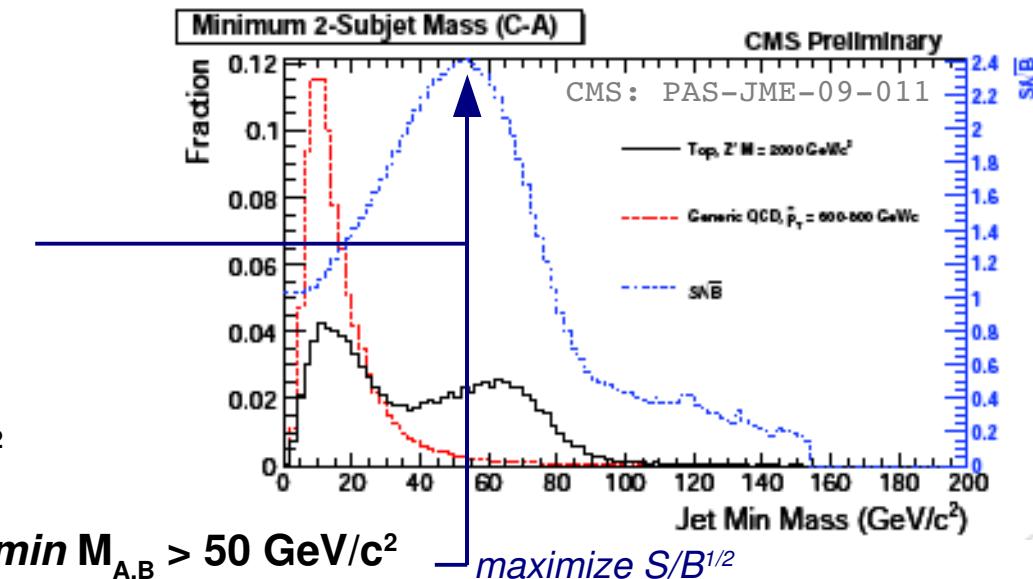


# Boosted top jet tagging

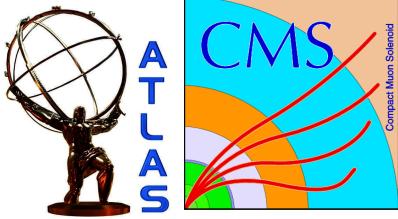


- Broader jet contains all top decay products
  - $M_{\text{jet}} \rightarrow M_{\text{top}}$  (in contrast with  $M_{\text{jet}} \propto p_T^{\text{jet}}$  in QCD).
  - ◀ decomposable in 3 (or 4) sub-jets: A,B,C (D);
  - $\min \{M_{A,B}; M_{A,C}; M_{B,C}\} \sim M_W$  ( $b$  sub-jet leads in  $p_T$ )

- In CMS boosted top jets are tagged with:
  - Cambridge-Aachen algorithm with **R=0.8**;
  - **sub-clusters** must have  $> 5\% p_T^{\text{jet}}$ ;
  - consistent with top:  $100 < M_{\text{jet}} < 250 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
  - di-subjet consistent with  $W$  must be found:  $\min M_{A,B} > 50 \text{ GeV}/c^2$



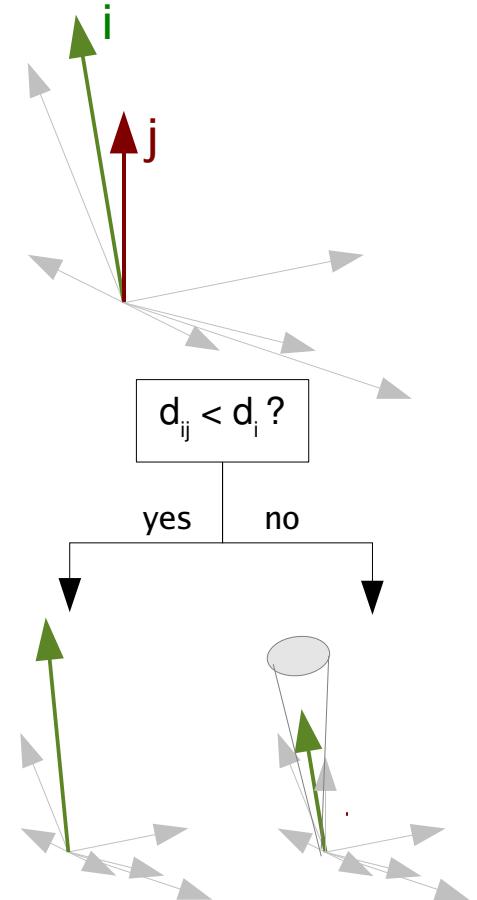
*...more details in Salvatore Rappoccio's talk*



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# The Cambridge-Aachen algorithm

- Recombination type algorithm ([arXiv:hep-ph/9707323](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/9707323))
- Pairs of Lorentz vectors are used as input
- Distances\* computed as:  $d_{ij} = \min [k_T^n(i), k_T^n(j)] \frac{\Delta R(i, j)^2}{R^2}$ 
  - Standard (anti)  $k_T$ -algorithm uses  $N = 2$  (-1);
  - **Cambridge-Aachen uses  $N=0$ .**
- Distance is gauged with respect to “beam distance”:  $d_i = k_T^n(i)$
- If  $d_{ij} < d_i$  cluster the pairs and proceed iteration
- If  $d_{ij} > d_i$  stop process  $\Rightarrow$  **jet has been reconstructed**
- CMS uses  $R=0.8$  as distance parameter for the *top jet algorithm*



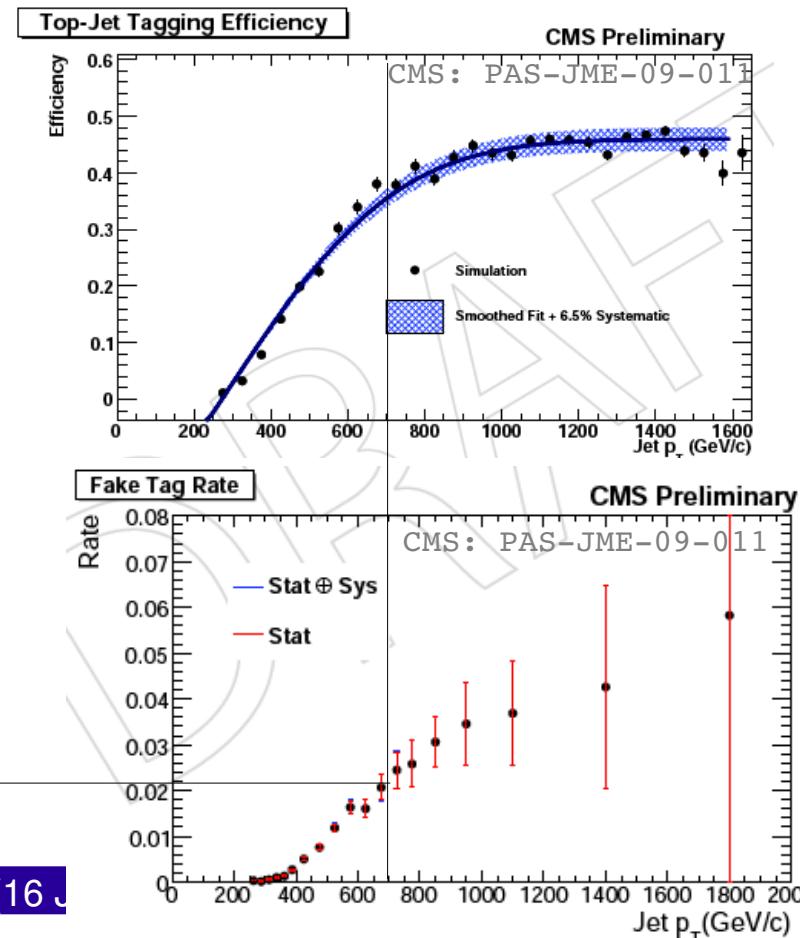
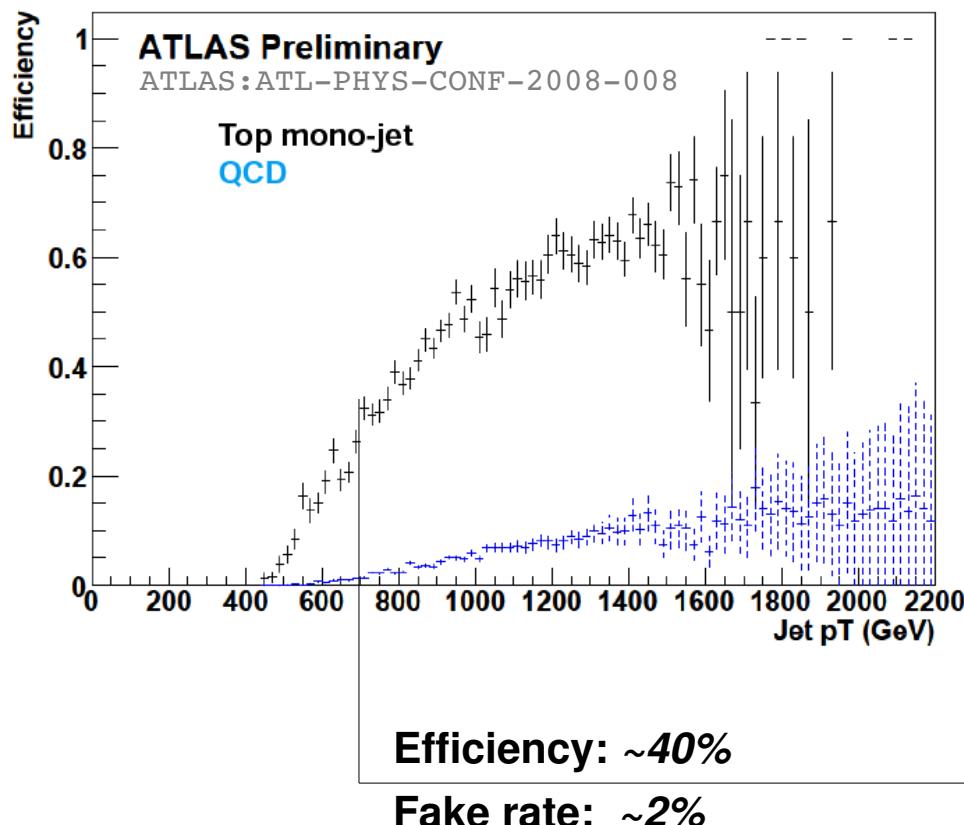
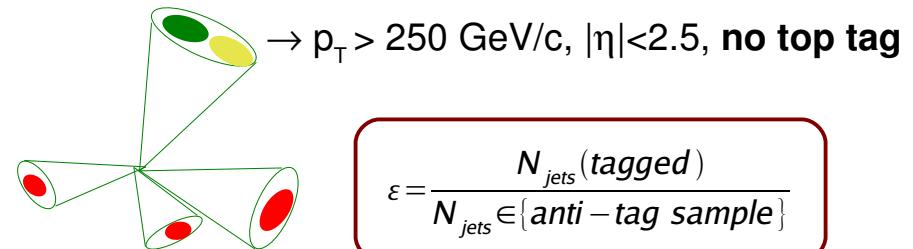
\*Distance in detector phase-space is defined as:  $\Delta R = \sqrt{\Delta\eta^2 + \Delta\phi^2}$

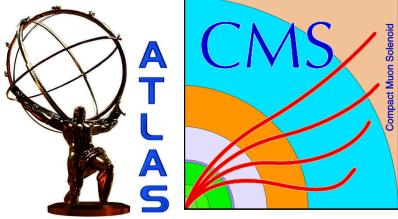


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# Boosted top jet tagger performance

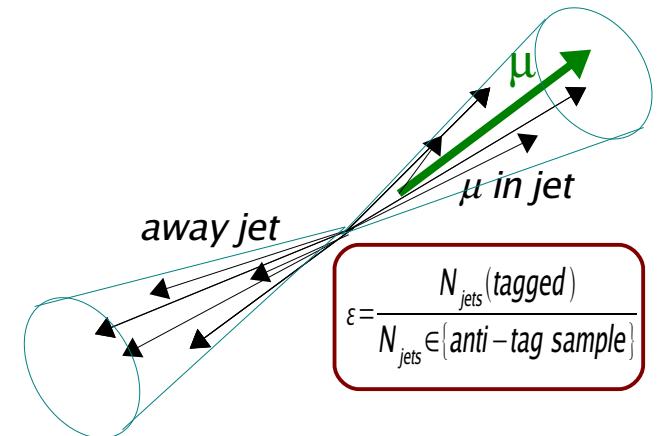
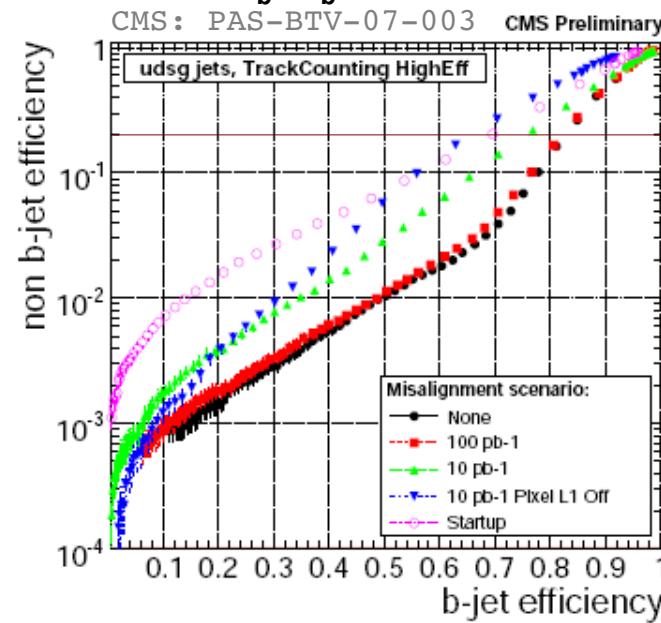
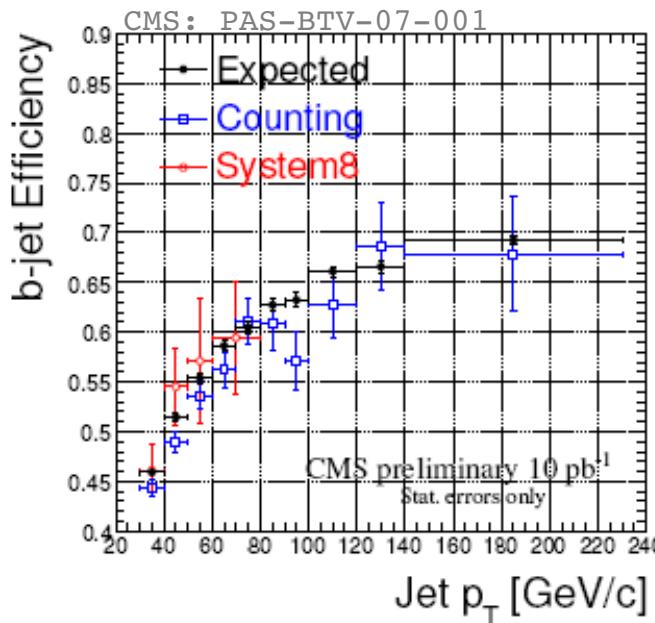
- **Fake rate is measurable from data**
  - measured in **anti-tag + probe** sample
- Efficiency is estimated from MC
  - **Systematic uncertainty ~ 6.5%** (dominated by detector-based uncertainties)





# On the road to discovery **b** tagging performance

- b-tagging efficiency can be measured directly from data
  - relative  $p_T$  of  $\mu$  in jets extracts  $N_{b\text{-jets}}$  in sample
  - b-tagging the away jet extracts  $N_{b\text{-jets}}(\text{tagged})$
- Uncertainties dominated by:
  - Beam spot, **tracker alignment**,  $p_T^{\text{rel}}$  template + statistics of  $(p_T, \eta)$  bins
  - With current alignment scenario expect  $\Delta\epsilon_b / \epsilon_b \sim 10\%-15\%$  at the startup of CMS



Efficiency:  $\epsilon_b \sim 70\%$   
Fake rate:  $\epsilon_q \sim 10\% \text{ (} 3\%)$   
@ startup (ideal conditions)



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# Event yields for the dilepton ( $e\mu$ ) channel

- Selection efficiencies for  $t\bar{t}$  dilepton channel for  $L = 250\text{pb}^{-1}$

Selection	Total	$t\bar{t}$ dileptons
Triggered	$(426 \pm 1) \cdot 10^6$	$6251 \pm 25$
$\geq 2$ leptons ( $>20\text{ GeV}/c$ )	$(204.7 \pm 0.5) \cdot 10^3$	$2595 \pm 16$
1 e and 1 $\mu$	$2531 \pm 32$	$1344 \pm 12$
$\geq 2$ jets ( $>30\text{ GeV}$ )	$1041 \pm 12$	$914 \pm 10$
$E_T \geq 30\text{ GeV}$	$884 \pm 10$	$789 \pm 9$
Opp. sign leptons	$867 \pm 10$	$787 \pm 9$

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- Event yields for background **SM processes** ( $L=250\text{pb}^{-1}$ )

Selection	Single top	other $t\bar{t}$	Di-boson	$W/Z+\text{jets}$	VQQ	QCD
Triggered	$27563 \pm 422$	$42303 \pm 77$	$3400 \pm 13$	$(4338 \pm 2) \cdot 10^3$	$38046 \pm 64$	$(422 \pm 1) \cdot 10^6$
$\geq 2$ leptons ( $>20\text{ GeV}/c$ )	$225 \pm 10$	$66 \pm 3$	$620 \pm 5$	$(193 \pm 0.4) \cdot 10^3$	$8170 \pm 26$	$401 \pm 183$
1 e and 1 $\mu$	$122 \pm 8$	$34 \pm 2$	$207 \pm 2$	$749 \pm 24$	$49 \pm 2$	$26 \pm 15$
$\geq 2$ jets ( $>30\text{ GeV}$ )	$38 \pm 4$	$27 \pm 2$	$14 \pm 1$	$45 \pm 6$	$2.0 \pm 0.4$	-
$E_T \geq 30\text{ GeV}$	$29 \pm 1$	$23 \pm 2$	$11.6 \pm 0.5$	$30 \pm 5$	$0.7 \pm 0.2$	-
Opp. sign leptons	$29 \pm 1$	$14 \pm 1$	$10.5 \pm 0.5$	$26 \pm 5$	$0.7 \pm 0.2$	-

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