

# Top-quark results at LHC

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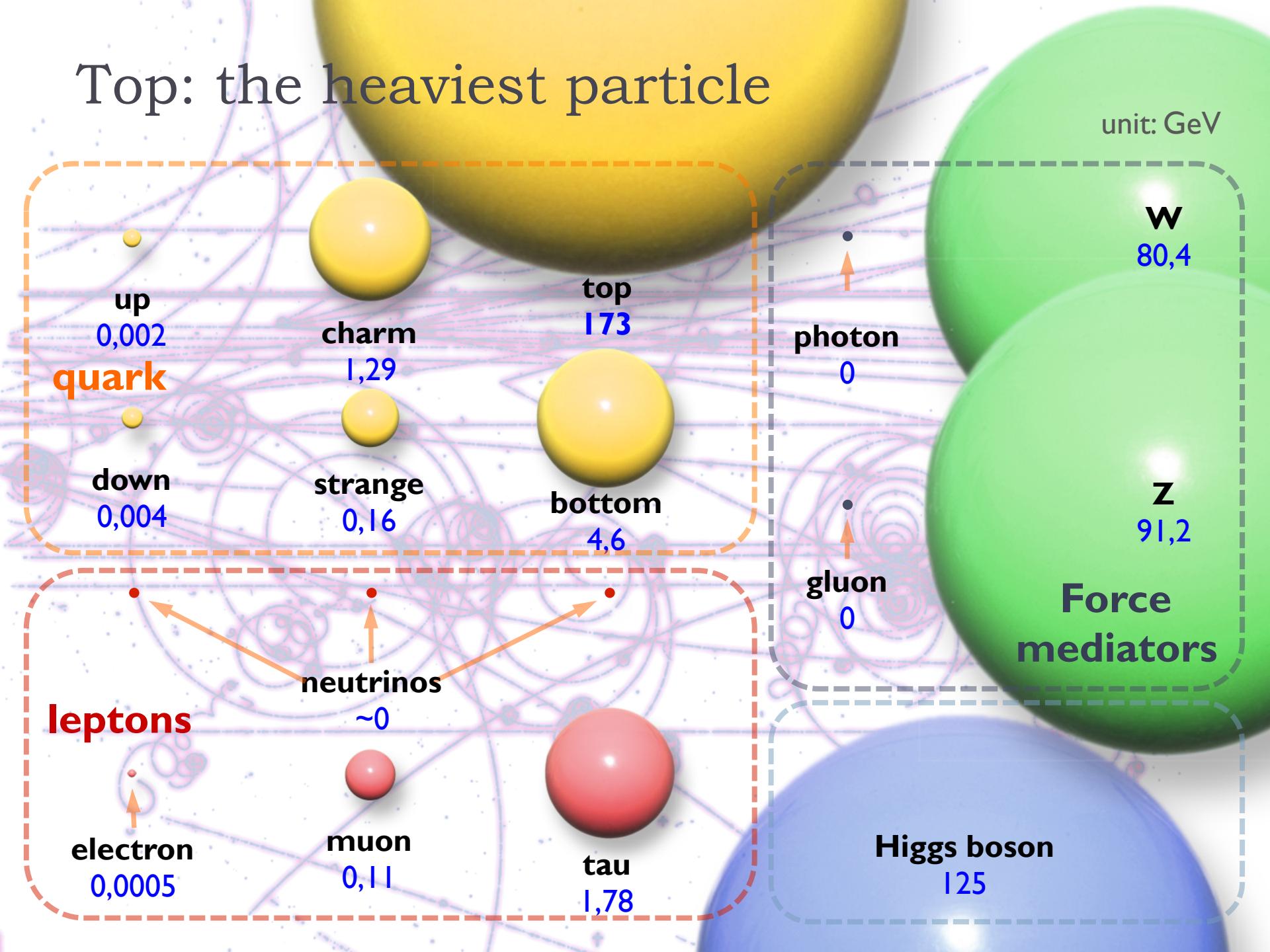
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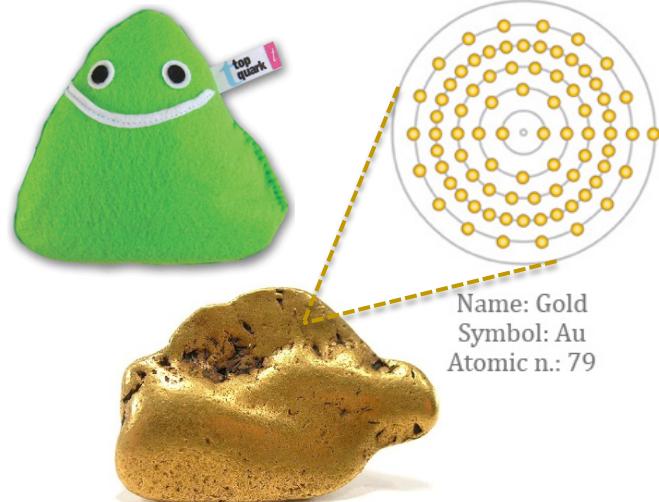
- ▶ Top is by far the heaviest quark and the heaviest particle ever observed
  - ▶ As heavy as a Au atom!
- ▶ Top mass is close to the Electroweak scale

$$\mathcal{L}_t^{\text{SM}} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} Y_t^{\text{SM}} \bar{t} t H \quad Y_t^{\text{SM}} = \frac{\sqrt{2} m_t}{v} \simeq \sqrt{2} \frac{173}{246} \simeq 0.995 \simeq 1!!!$$

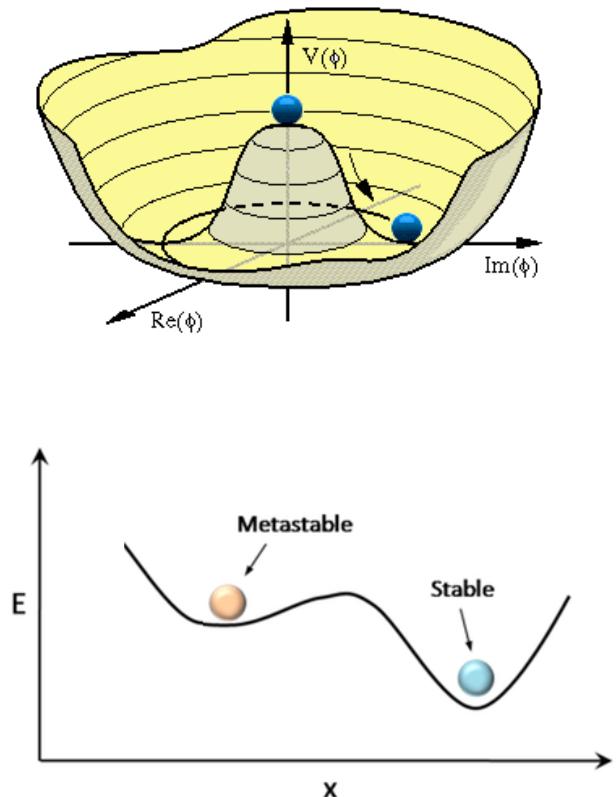
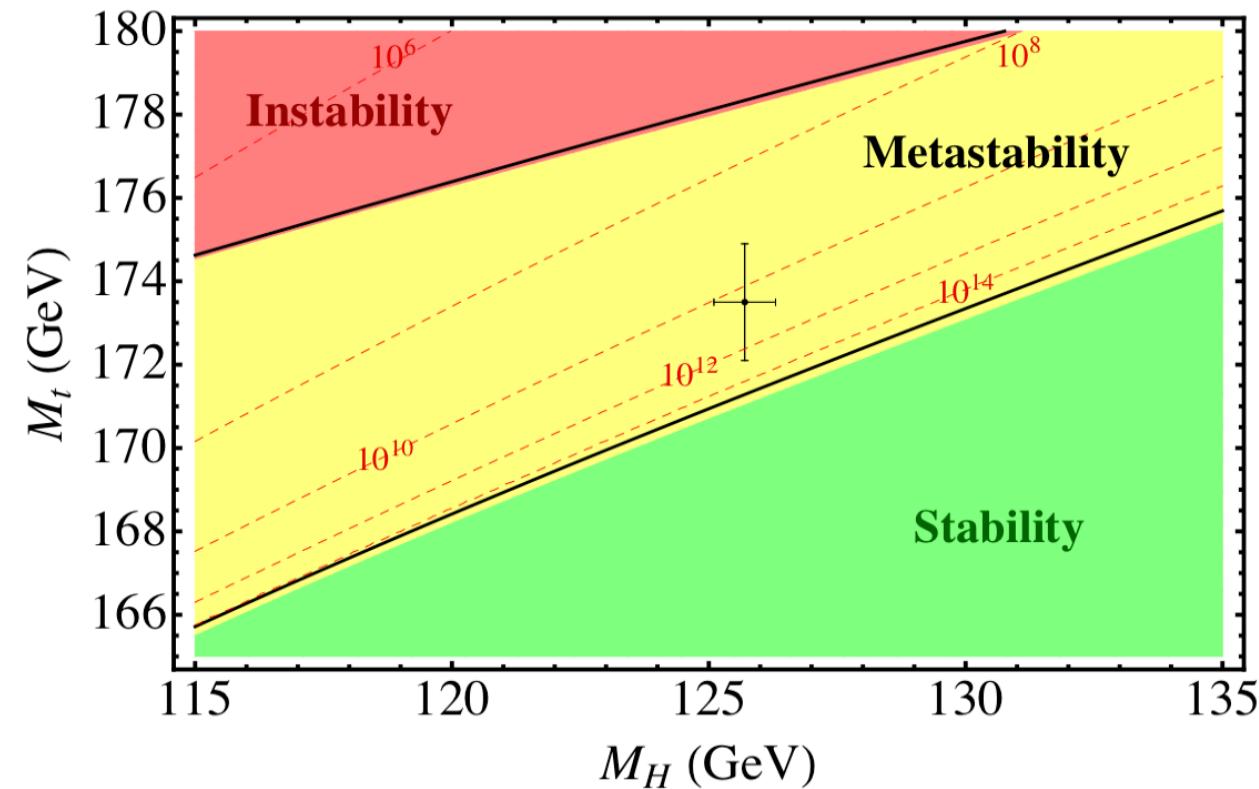
- ▶ Unlike all other quarks, it's heavier than the  $W$ , so it can decay into a real  $W$ :  $t \rightarrow W q$
- ▶ Top lifetime is shorter than the typical hadronization time

$$\Gamma_t = \frac{G_F m_t^3}{8\pi\sqrt{2}} \left(1 - \frac{M_W^2}{m_t^2}\right)^2 \left(1 + 2\frac{M_W^2}{m_t^2}\right) \left[1 - \frac{2\alpha_s}{3\pi} \left(\frac{2\pi^2}{3} - \frac{5}{2}\right)\right] \quad \rightarrow \quad \tau_t \simeq 0.5 \times 10^{-24} s$$

- ▶ Top decays before top-flavored hadrons or  $t\bar{t}$ -quarkonium-bound states can form ( $\tau_{\text{had}} \approx 10^{-23} \text{s} \sim 20 \times \tau_t$ )
- ▶ It's a unique opportunity to study "bare" quark properties



# Top mass and Higgs field stability

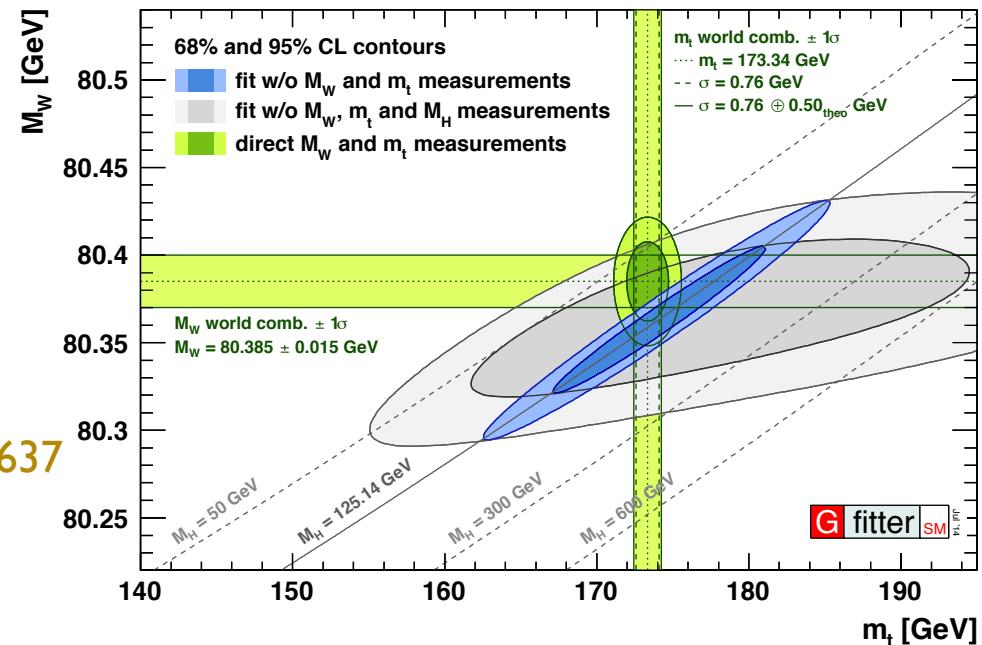
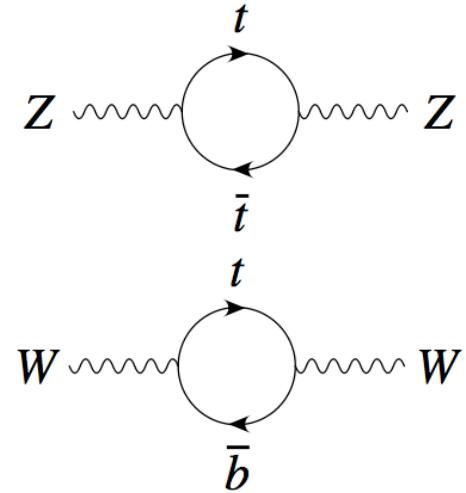


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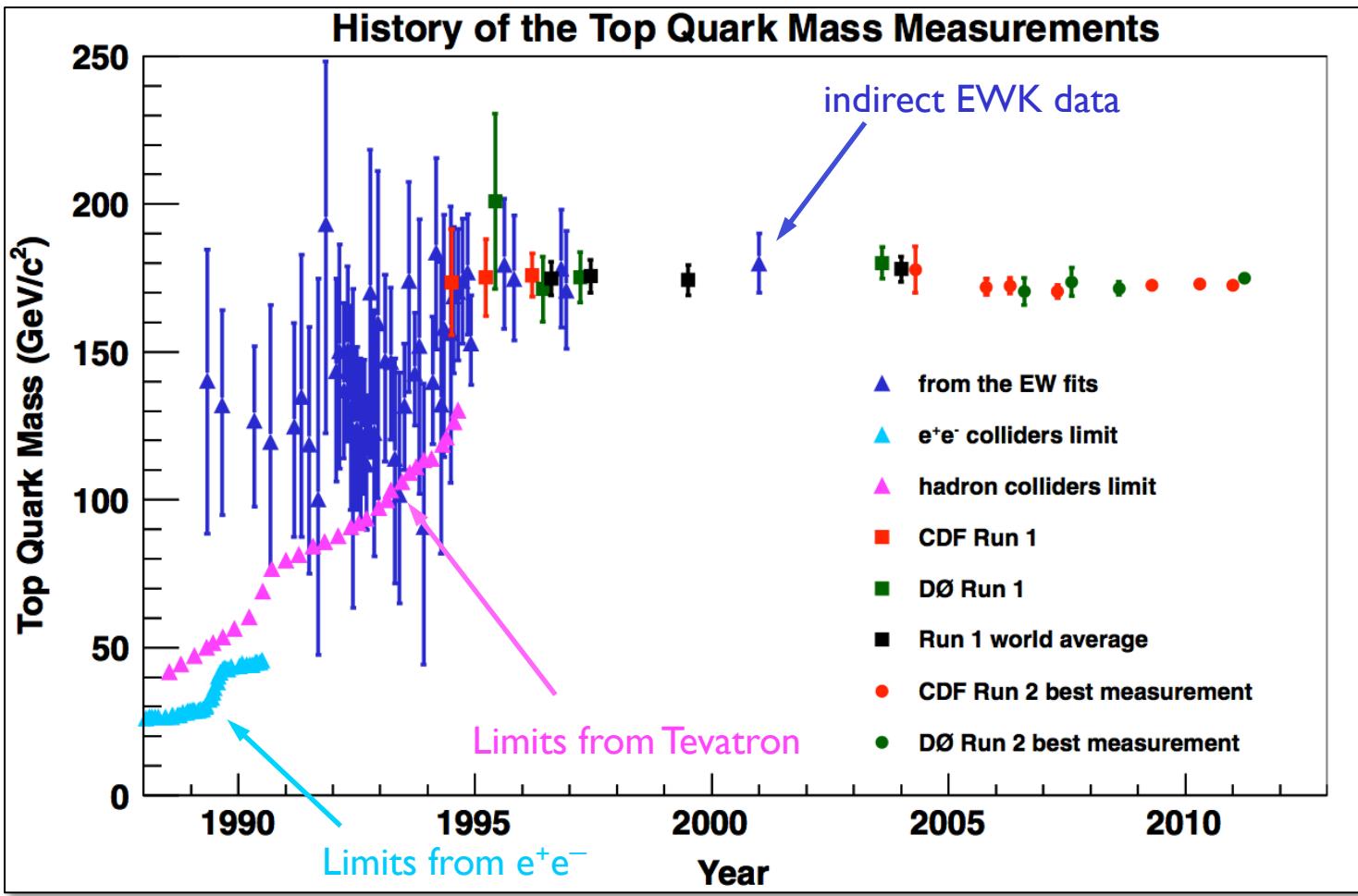


# Top history timeline

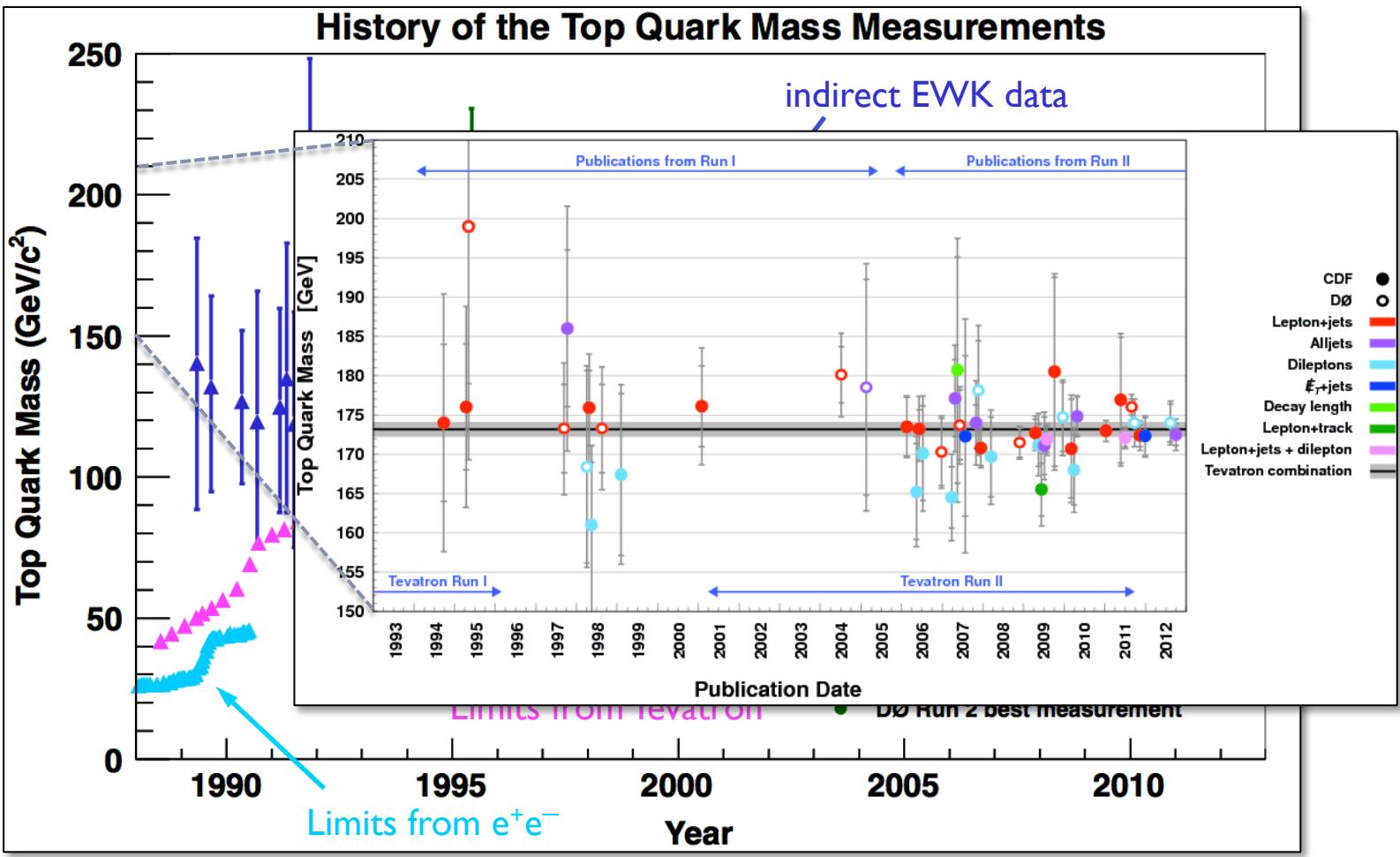
- ▶ **1977** – b-quark discovered, top quark hypothesized as weak isospin partner and 6<sup>th</sup> quark to complete the three SM generations
- ▶ **1980-90's** – direct search in  $e^+e^-$  colliders, increasing limits on the top mass
- ▶ **~1990** – indirect estimate of quark mass from LEP precision EWK measurements
  - ▶ Corrections  $\Delta r \sim m_t^2, \ln(m_H)$  to EWK predictions
- ▶ **1995** – discovered at FNAL by CDF and D0 in direct top-pair production
  - ▶ 24<sup>th</sup> feb: papers submission:  
**PRL 74, 2626–2631, PRL 74, 2632–2637**



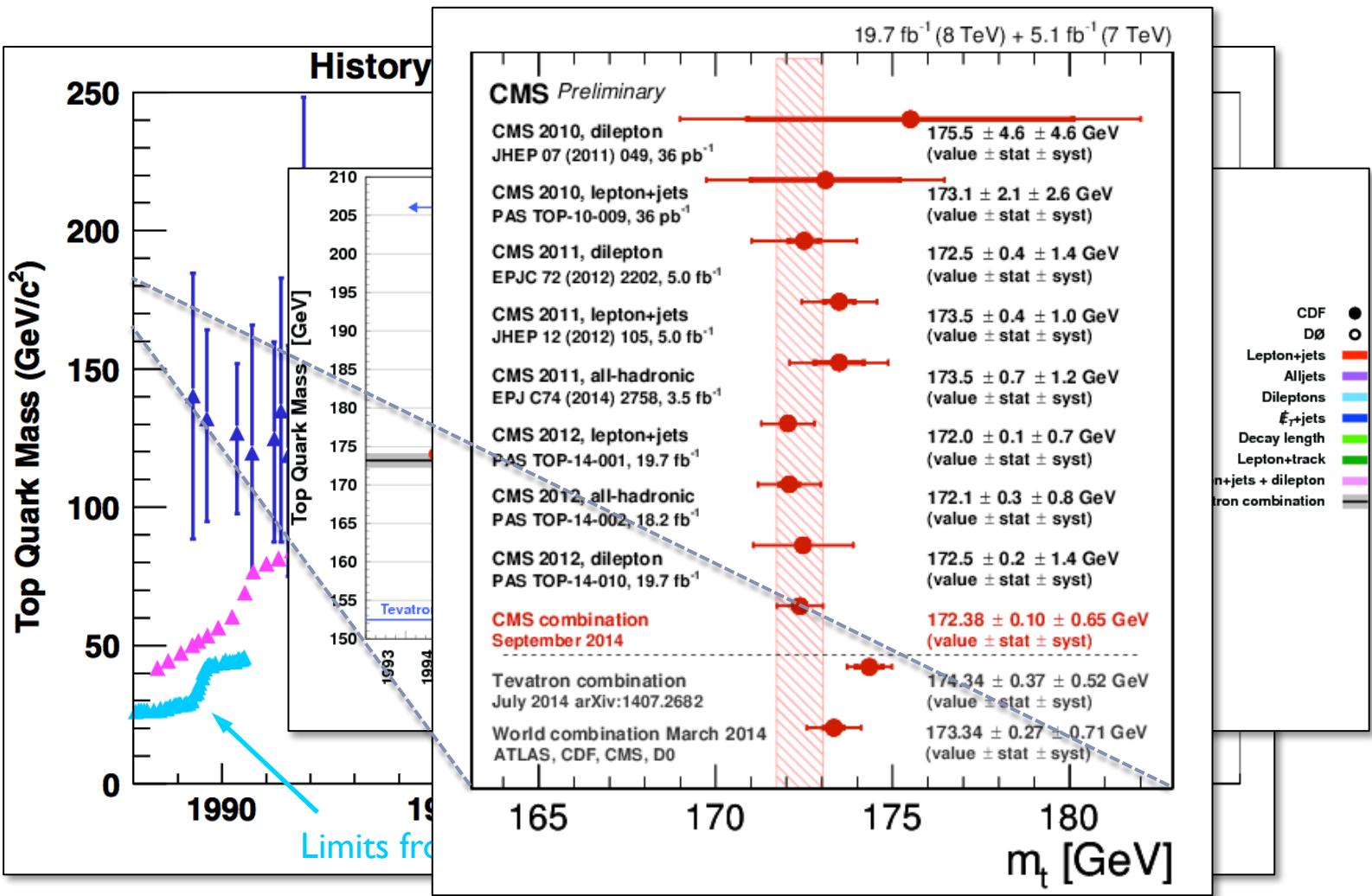
# Top mass history



# Top mass history (Tevatron)

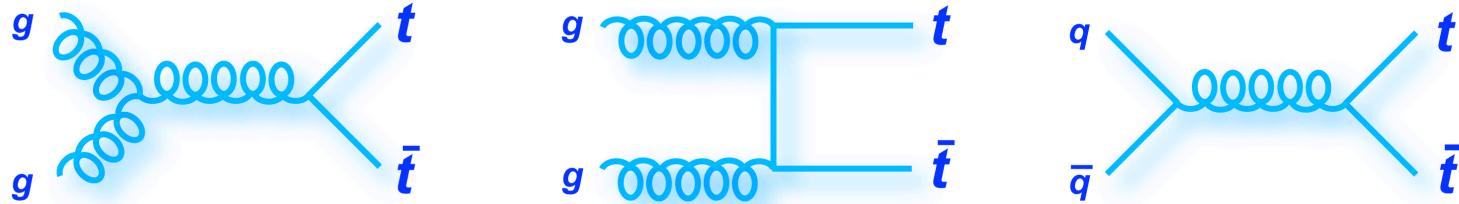


# Top mass history (LHC)

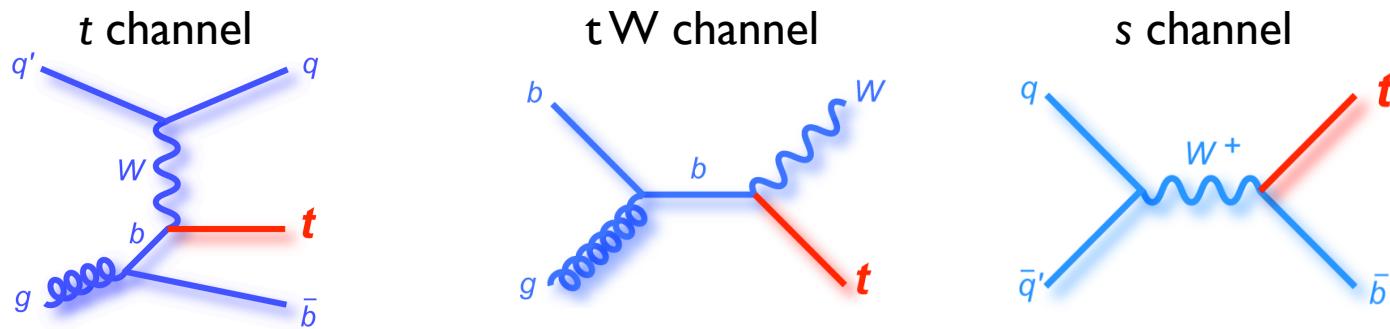


# Top production at hadron colliders

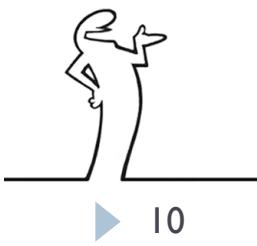
top-pair strong production gg dominates at LHC (85%) over q $\bar{q}$  (15%)



single-top electroweak production

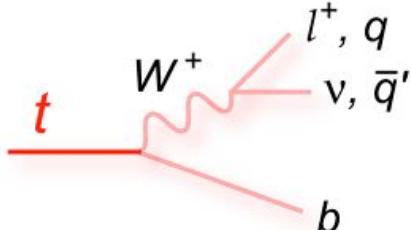


		t ch.	tW ch.	s ch.	t $\bar{t}$
Tevatron (pp $\bar{\gamma}$ )	2 TeV	2.08 pb	0.25 pb	1.05 pb	7.08 pb
LHC (pp)	7 TeV	64.6 pb	15.6 pb	4.59 pb	172 pb
	8 TeV	87.6 pb	22.2 pb	5.55 pb	249 pb
	14 TeV	248 pb ( $\times 3.2$ )	84.8 pb ( $\times 3.8$ )	11.9 pb ( $\times 2.1$ )	954 pb ( $\times 3.9$ )



# Top decay and final-state particles

- The SM values for top coupling to other quarks (Cabibbo-Kobayashi-Maskawa matrix elements) are:  
 $|V_{tb}| \approx 1$ ,  $|V_{td}| \approx 4 \times 10^{-3}$ ,  $|V_{ts}| \approx 4 \times 10^{-2}$   
 → Top quark decays ~100% of the times to Wb
- W decays from  $t \rightarrow Wb$  dictate top event signature
- Hadronic W decay:
  - Non-b jets are present in the event
- Leptonic W decay
  - Neutrinos accompany leptons
- Possible final states of a  $tt^{\bar{b}} \rightarrow WWbb$  events:
  - Dileptonic ( $e, \mu$ ): ~5%
  - Leptons + jets ( $e, \mu$ ): ~30%
  - All hadronic: ~45%
- Two or more hadronic jets from b-quark fragmentation are present in a  $tt^{\bar{b}}$  event

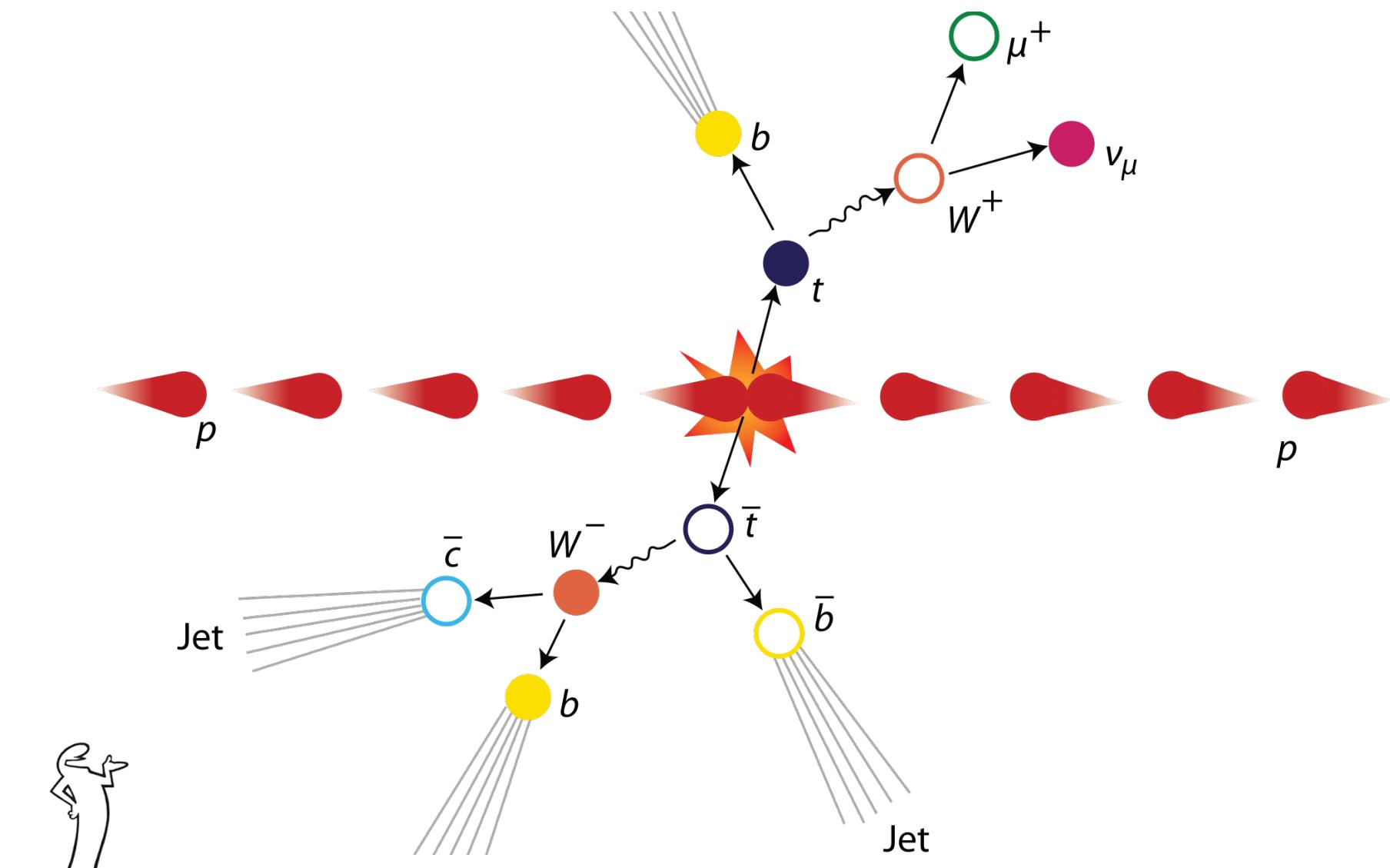


<b>W<sup>+</sup> DECAY MODES</b>	Fraction ( $\Gamma_i/\Gamma$ )
$\ell^+ \nu$	(10.80 ± 0.09) %
$e^+ \nu$	(10.75 ± 0.13) %
$\mu^+ \nu$	(10.57 ± 0.15) %
$\tau^+ \nu$	(11.25 ± 0.20) %
hadrons	(67.60 ± 0.27) %

## Top Pair Decay Channels

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

# Typical $t\bar{t}$ → lepton + jets event at LHC



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### STEEL RETURN YOKE

12,500 tonnes

### SILICON TRACKERS

Pixel ( $100 \times 150 \mu\text{m}$ )  $\sim 16\text{m}^2 \sim 66\text{M}$  channels  
Microstrips ( $80 \times 180 \mu\text{m}$ )  $\sim 200\text{m}^2 \sim 9.6\text{M}$  channels

### SUPERCONDUCTING SOLENOID

Niobium titanium coil carrying  $\sim 18,000\text{A}$

### MUON CHAMBERS

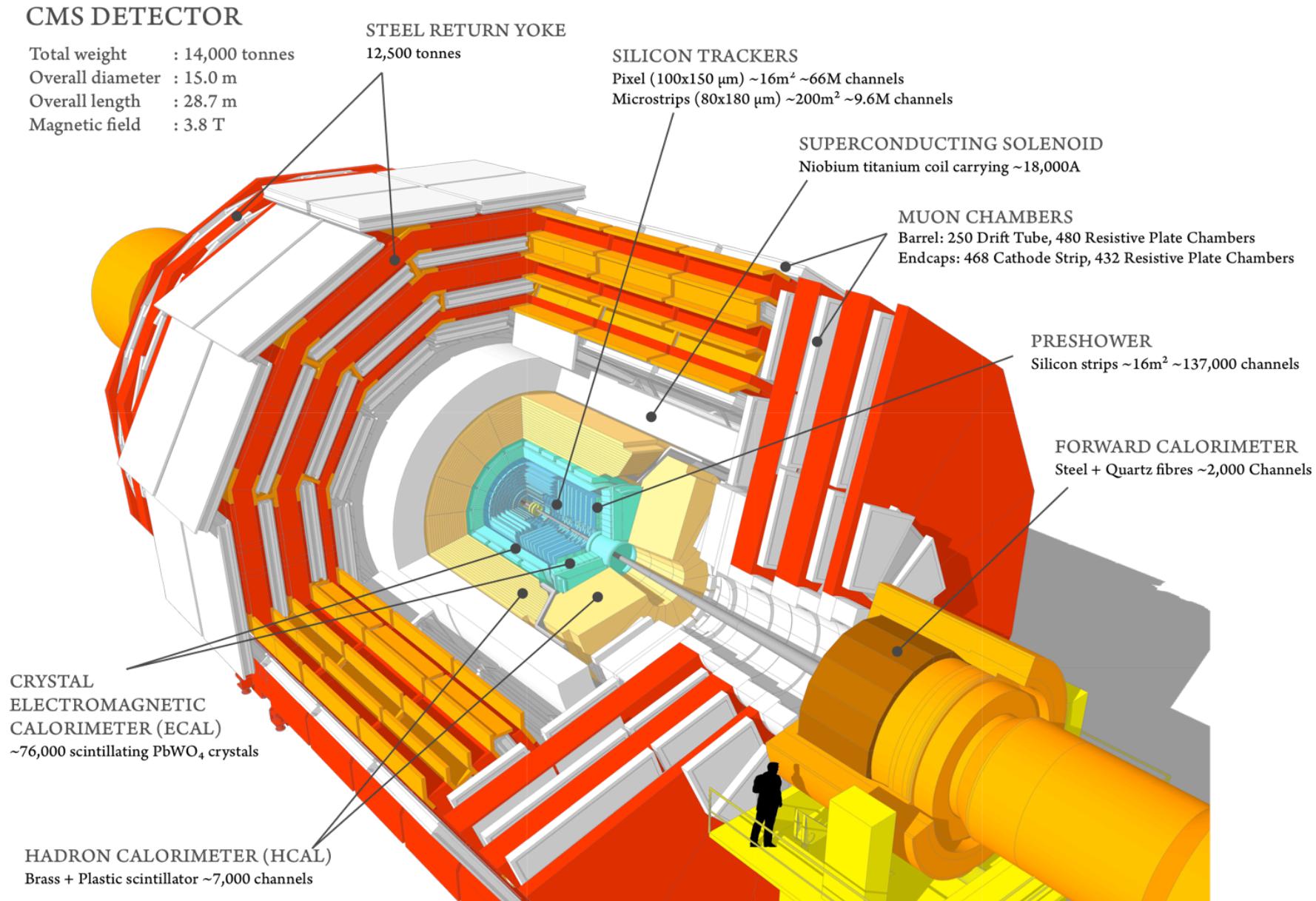
Barrel: 250 Drift Tube, 480 Resistive Plate Chambers  
Endcaps: 468 Cathode Strip, 432 Resistive Plate Chambers

### PRESHOWER

Silicon strips  $\sim 16\text{m}^2 \sim 137,000$  channels

### FORWARD CALORIMETER

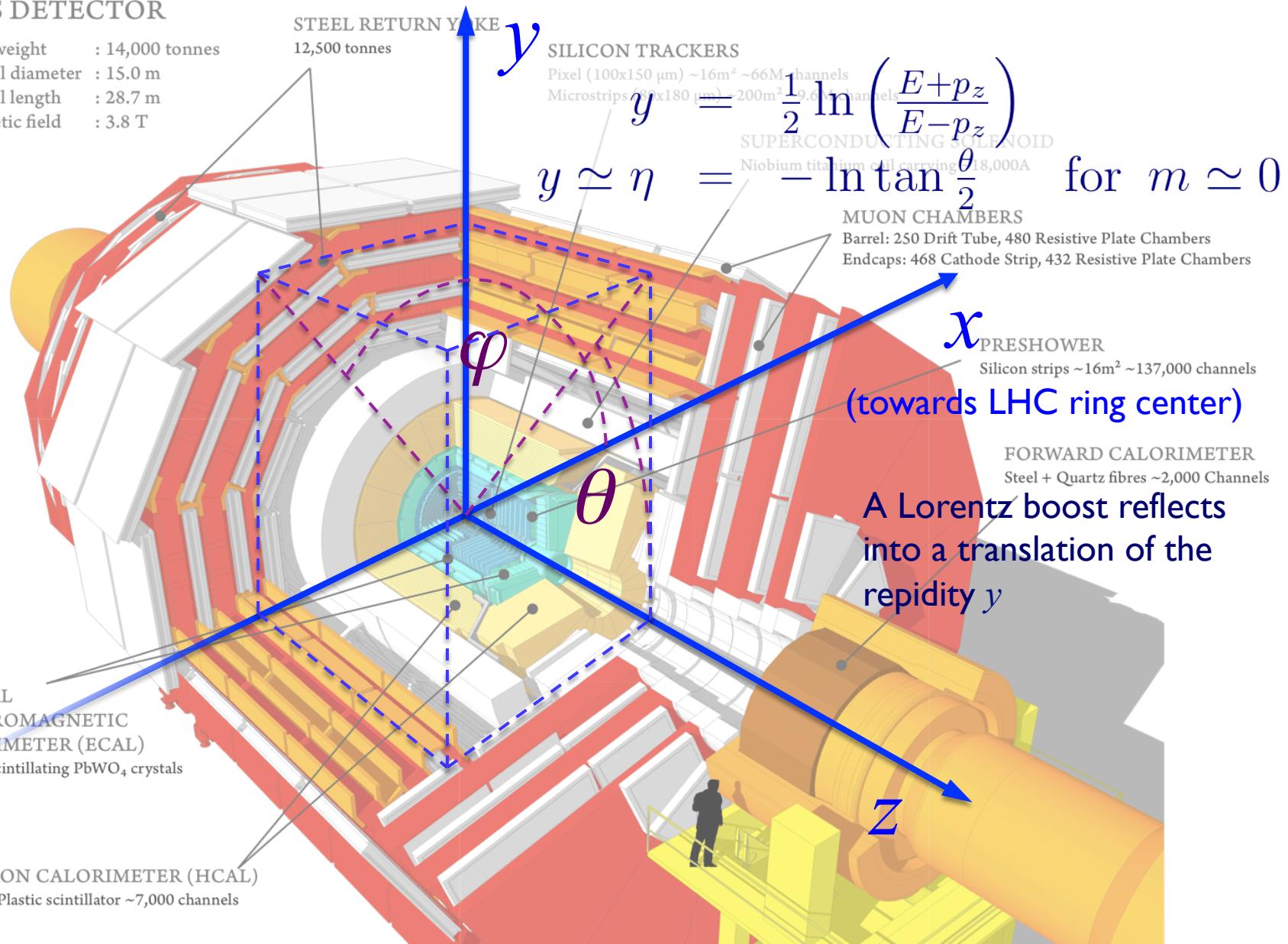
Steel + Quartz fibres  $\sim 2,000$  Channels



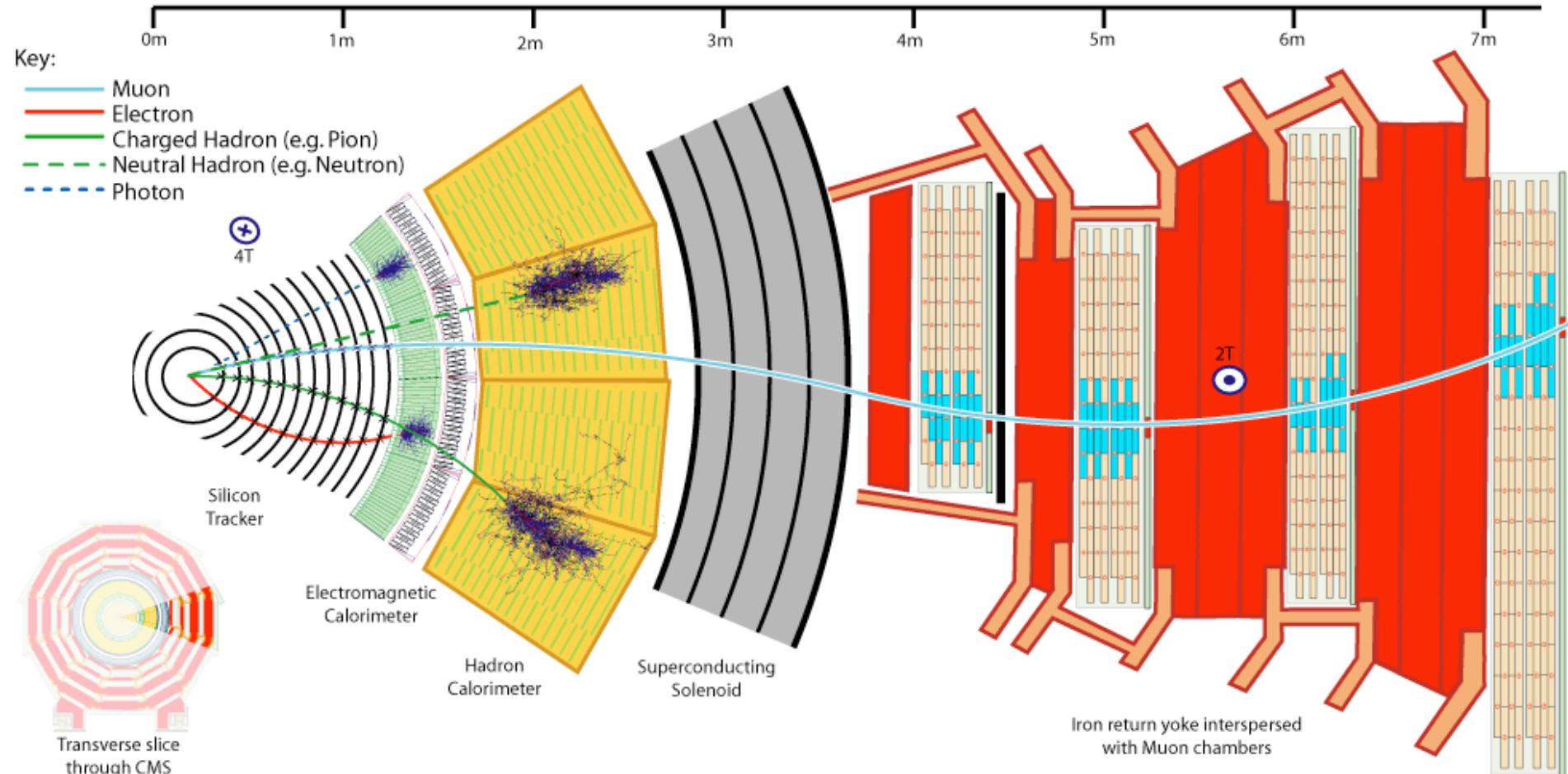
# Reference system, (pseudo)rapidity

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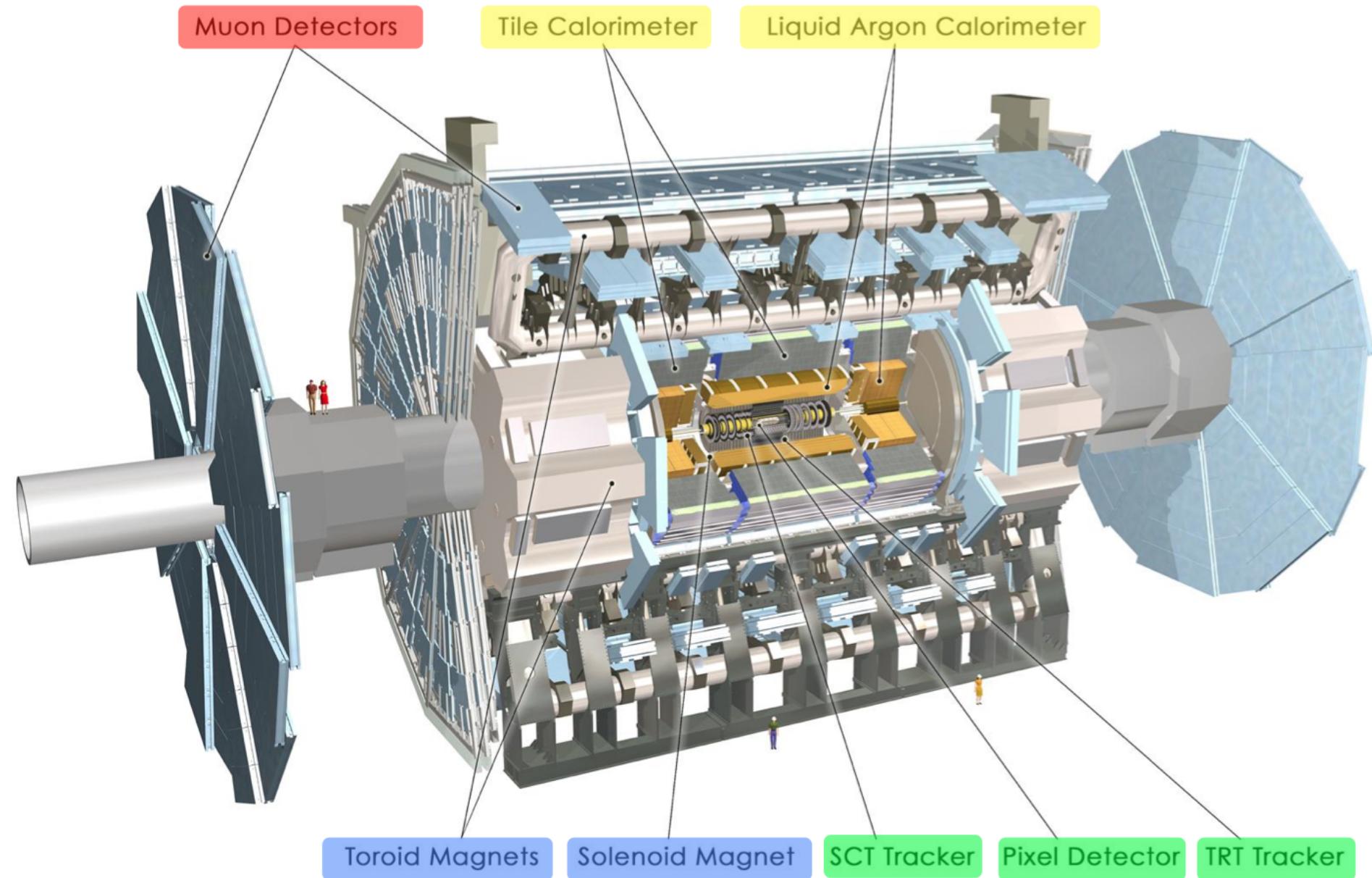
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# Detecting final-state particles

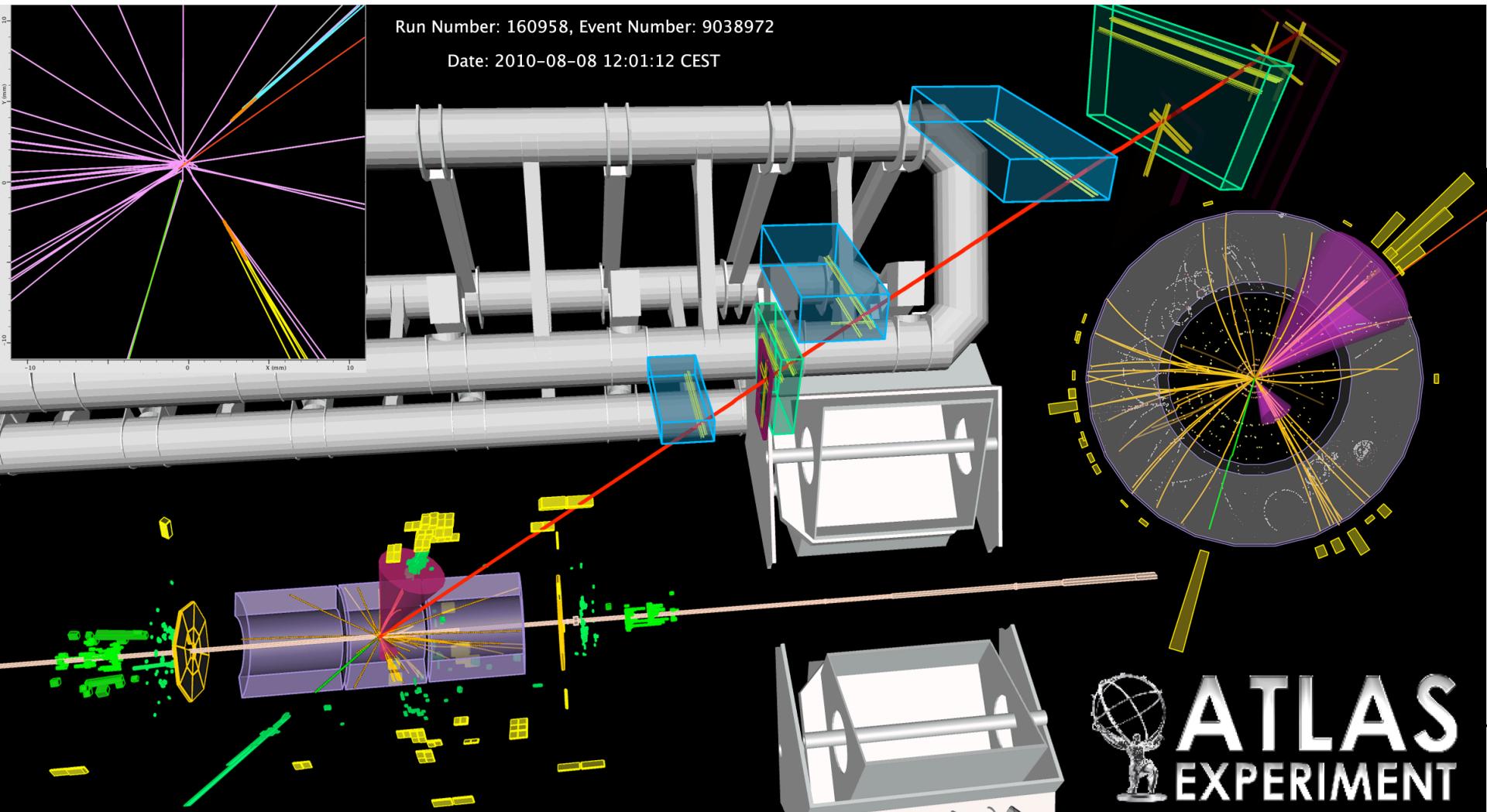
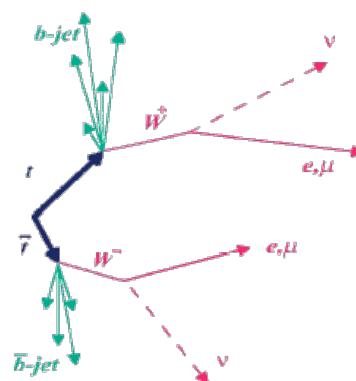


# LHC experiments: ATLAS



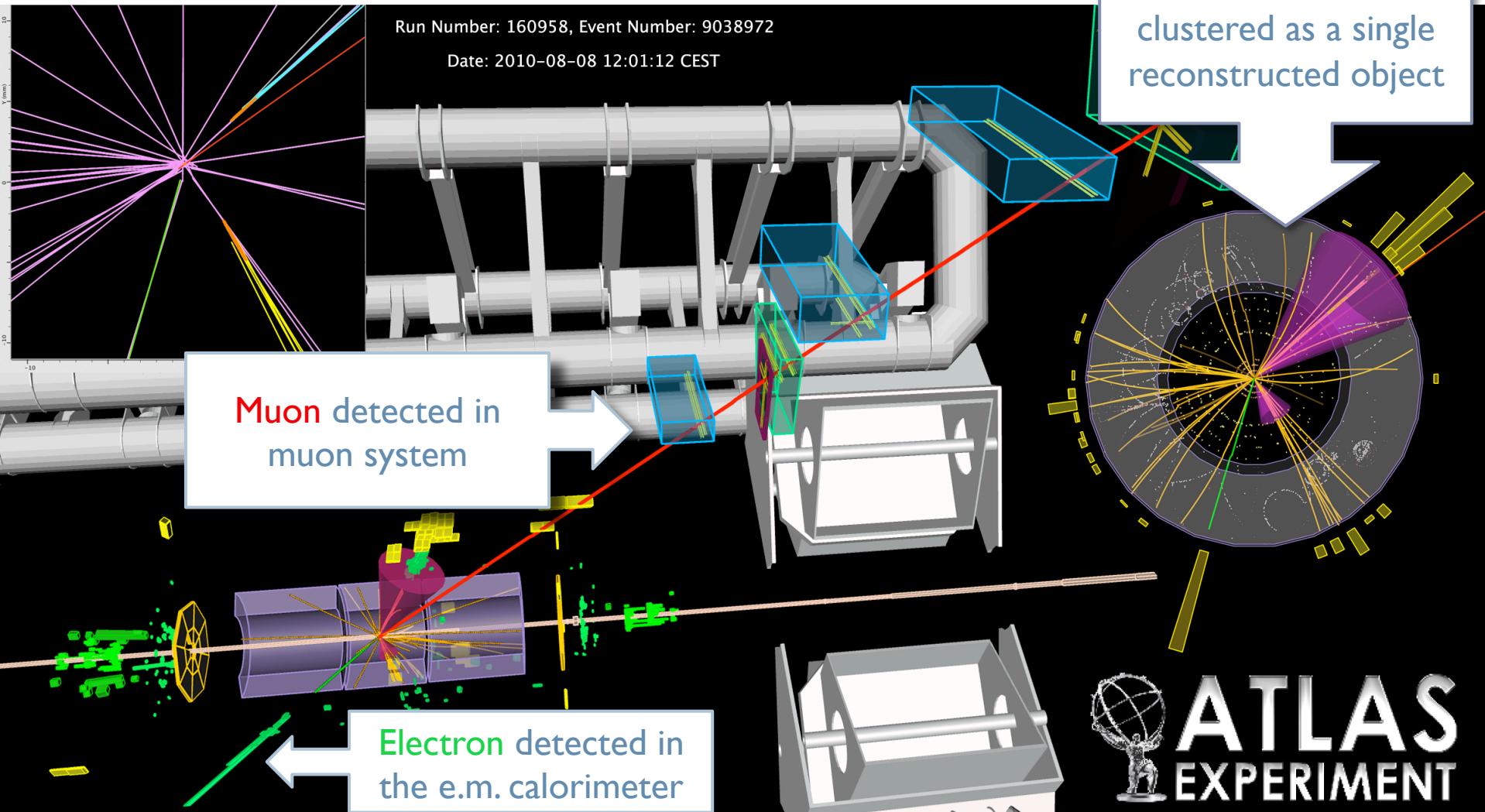
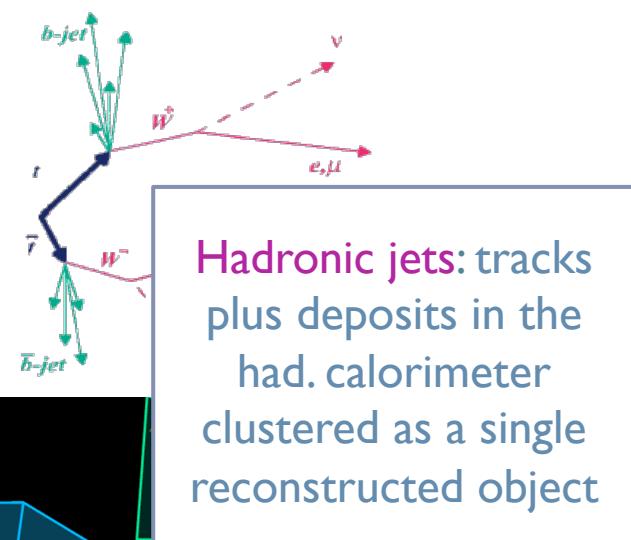
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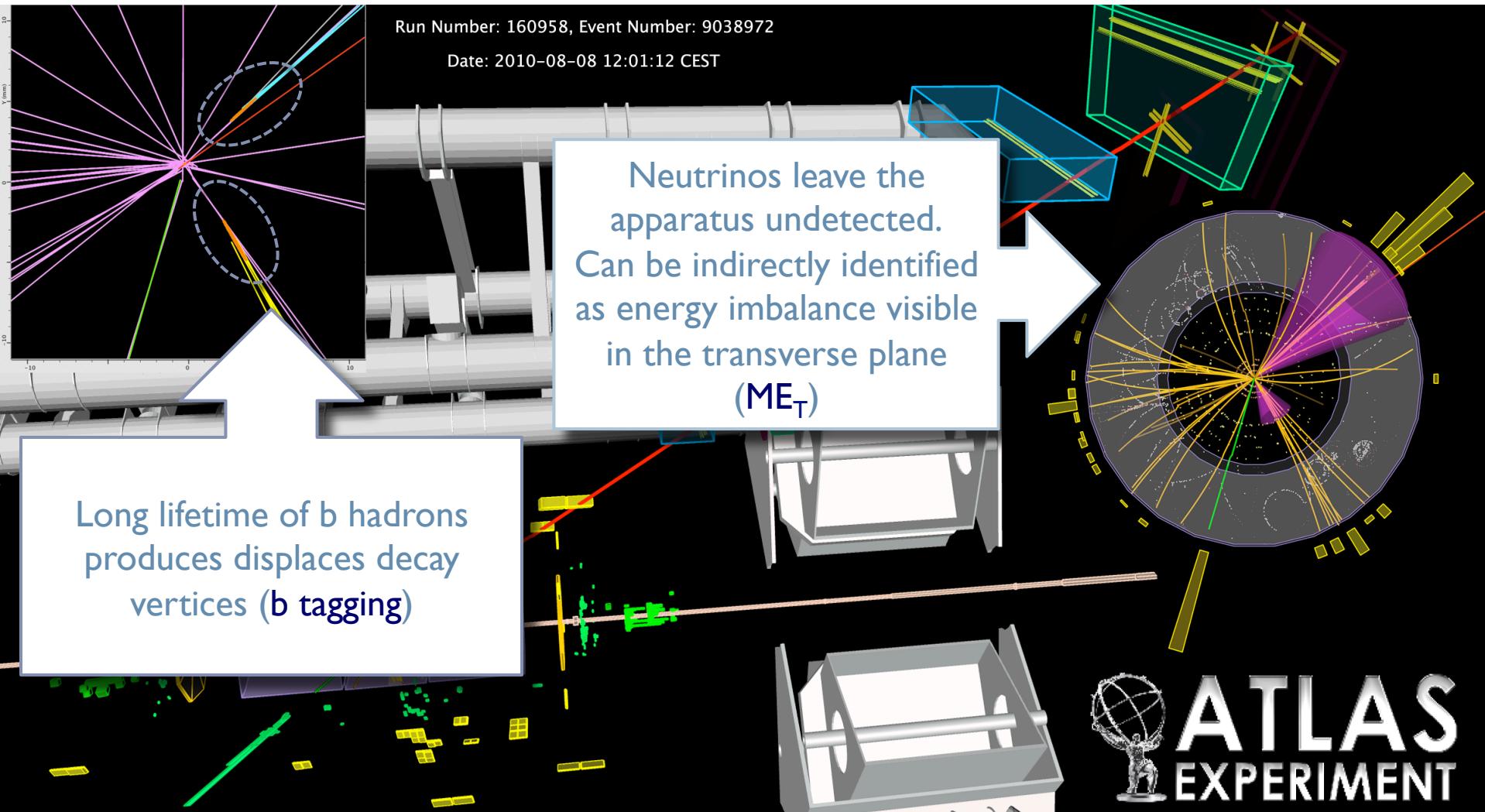
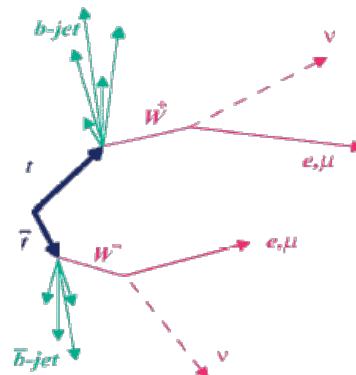
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**ATLAS**  
EXPERIMENT

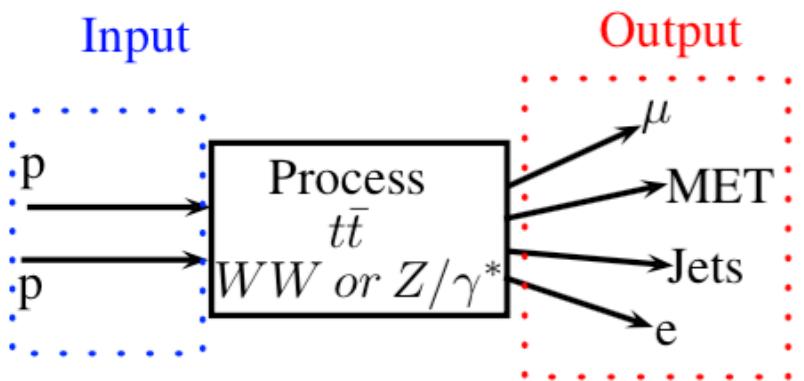
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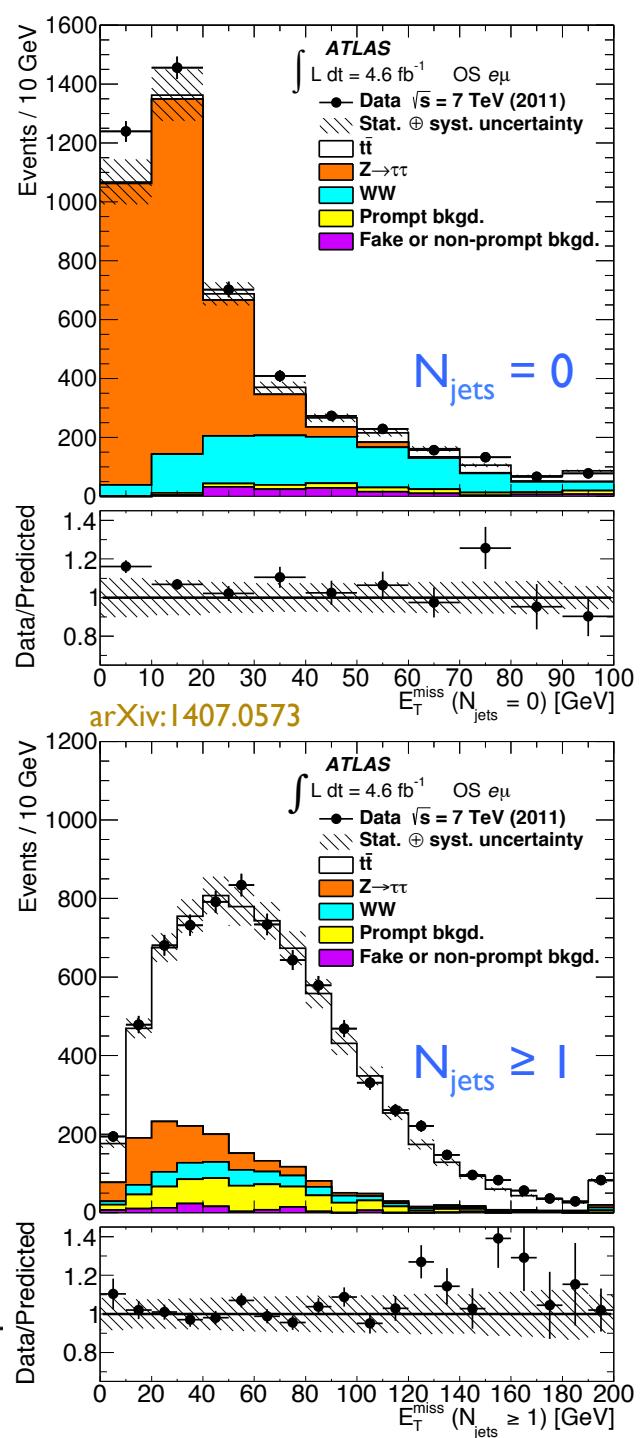


# Top-antitop cross section

- ▶ Most precise measurements performed in the dileptonic channel
  - ▶ In particular,  $e\mu$  less affected by Drell–Yan contamination ( $Z^{(*)} \rightarrow e^+e^-$ ,  $Z^{(*)} \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$ )
- ▶ Main residual backgrounds with  $e + \mu + \text{jets} + \text{MET}$  in the final state:  $W^+W^-$ ,  $Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$ ,



- ▶ Number of signal ( $t\bar{t}^{\text{bar}}$ ) and background ( $WW$  and  $Z/\gamma^*$ ) events can be determined simultaneously from data using the distributions of  $\text{MET}$  and  $N_{\text{jets}}$



# Top-antitop cross section

- From the signal yield in data, a **fiducial cross section** is first determined within kinematic boundaries
  - $E_T(e) > 25 \text{ GeV}, |\eta(e)| < 2.47$  (excl.  $1.37 < |\eta(e)| < 1.52$ )
  - $p_T(\mu) > 20 \text{ GeV}, |\eta(\mu)| < 2.5$
  - $p_T(\text{jet}) > 40 \text{ GeV}, |\eta(\text{jet})| < 2.5$
- The fiducial cross section is then **extrapolated to the entire phase space** assuming the acceptance from the a generator simulation (MC@NLO)

$$\sigma_{\bar{t}t}^{\text{tot}} = \frac{N^{\text{evt}}}{\varepsilon \times \mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{B} \times \mathcal{L}} = \frac{\sigma_{\bar{t}t}^{\text{fid}}}{\mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{B}}$$

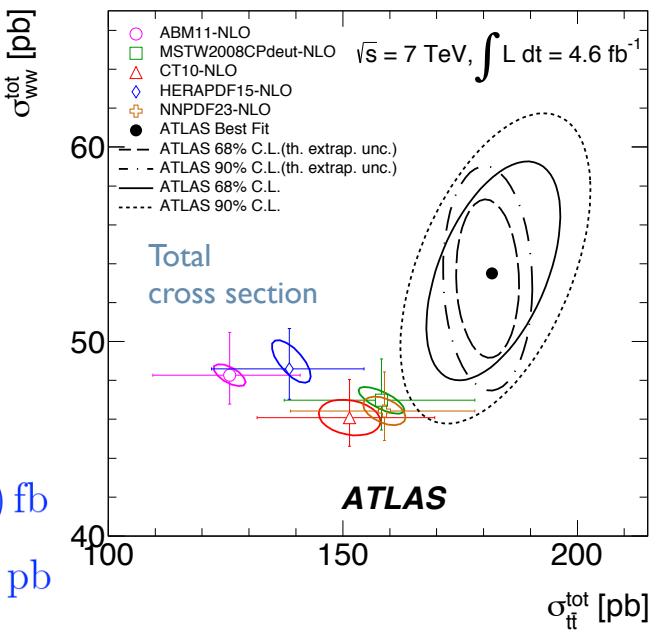
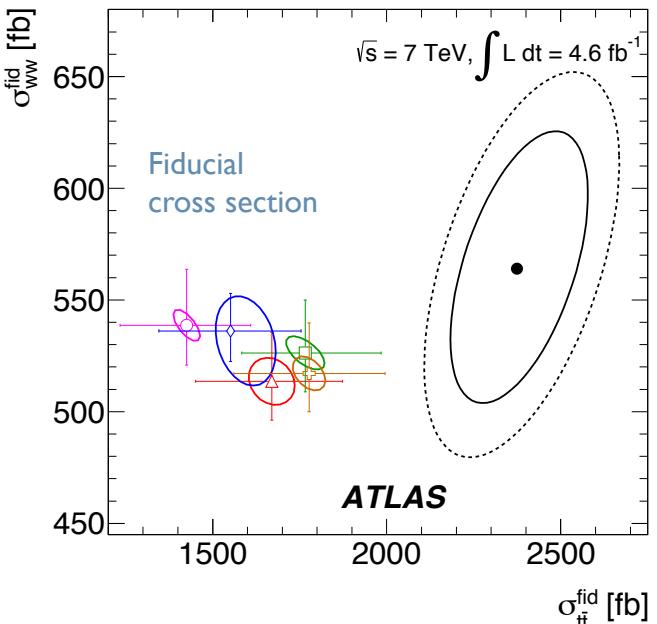
integrated LHC luminosity

efficiency  
 acceptance (kinem. + geom.)  
 branching fraction

Results:

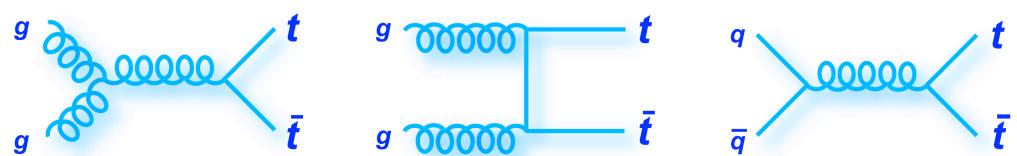
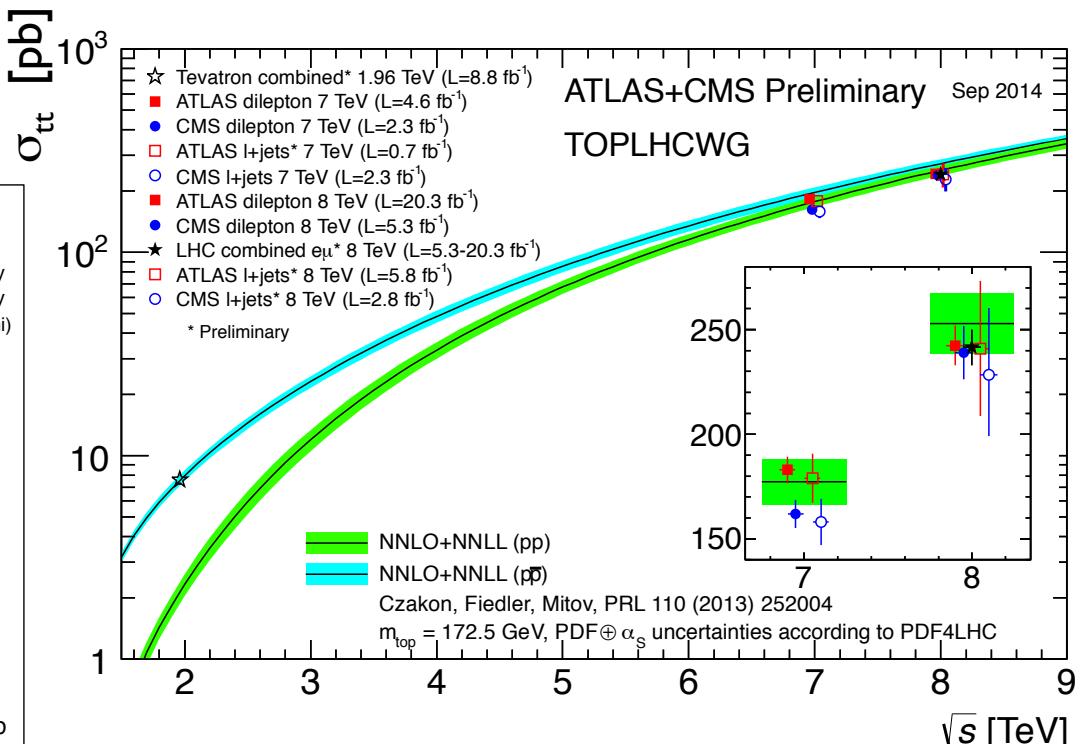
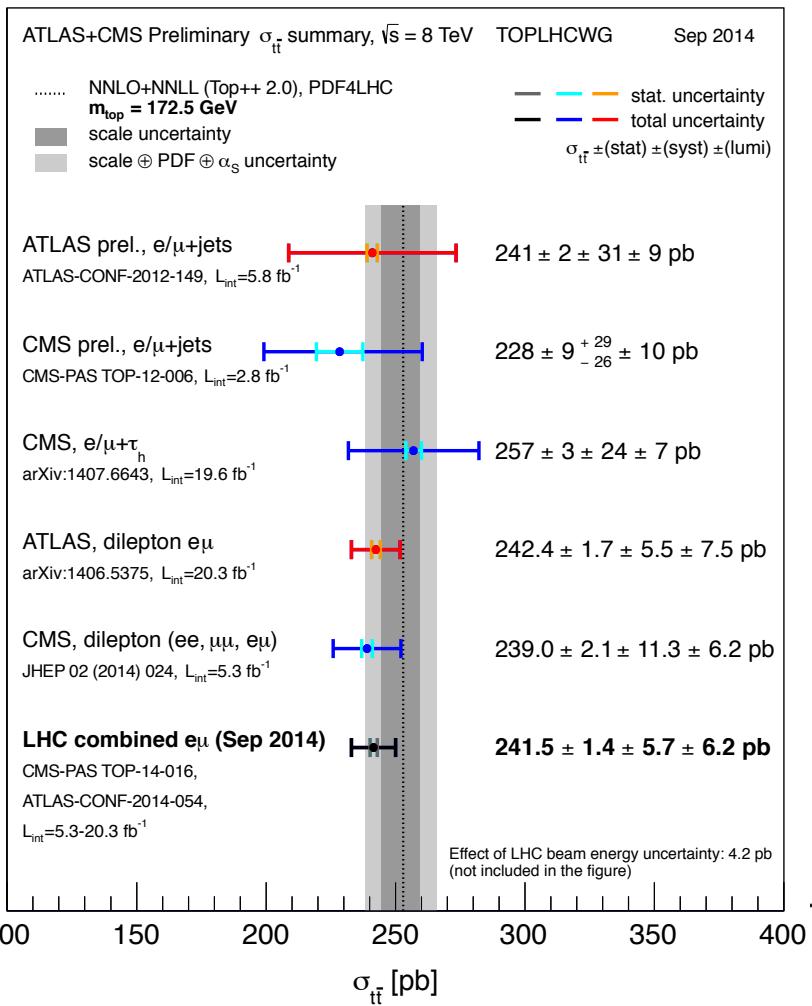
$$\sigma_{\bar{t}t}^{\text{fid}} = 2730 \pm 40(\text{stat.}) \pm 140(\text{syst.}) \pm 50(\text{lumi.}) \pm 50(\text{beam}) \text{ fb}$$

$$\sigma_{\bar{t}t}^{\text{tot}} = 181.2 \pm 2.8(\text{stat.})^{+9.7}_{-9.5}(\text{syst.}) \pm 3.3(\text{lumi.}) \pm 3.3(\text{beam}) \text{ pb}$$



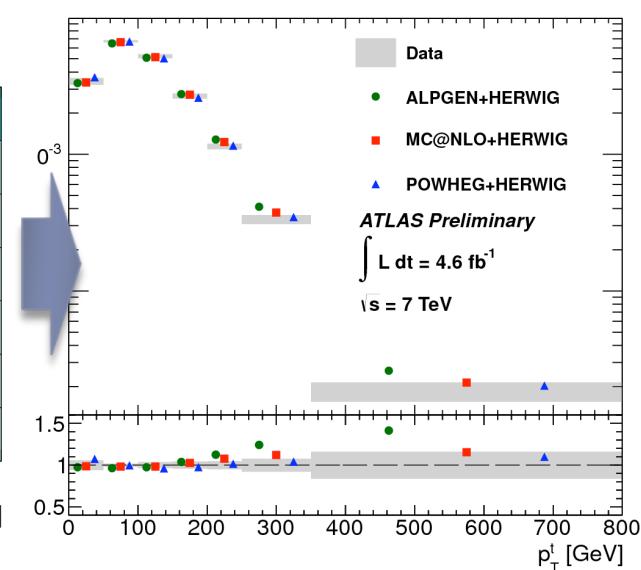
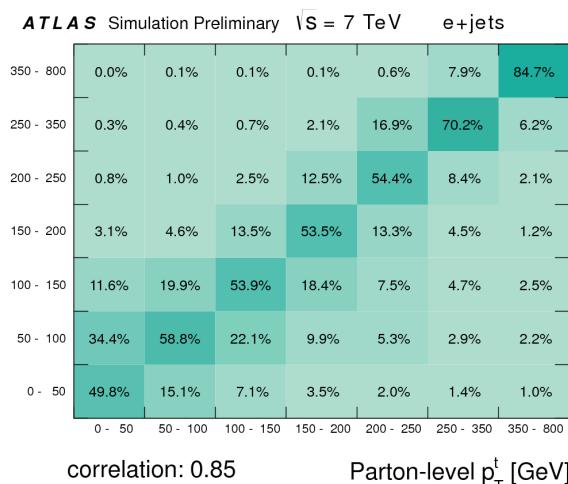
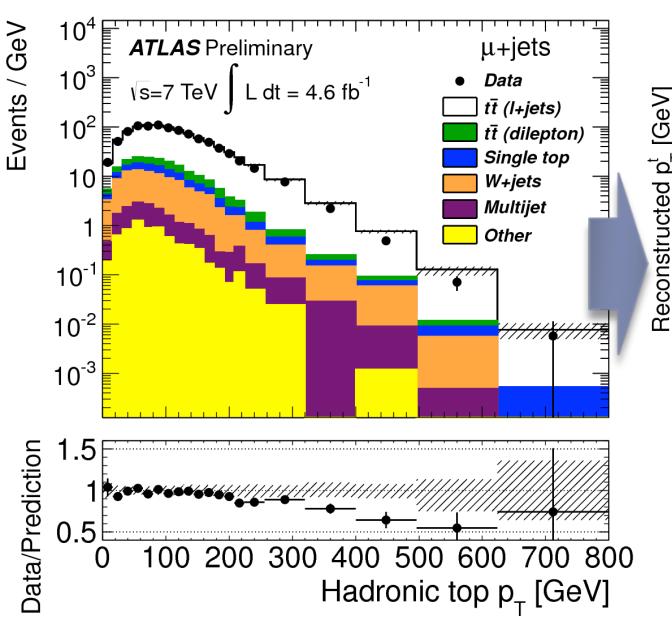
# $t\bar{t}$ results and LHC combination

## ► Results in agreement with theory predictions



# Differential measurements

- Subtract background + unfold experimental removing instrumental effects by correcting bin-by-bin migrations



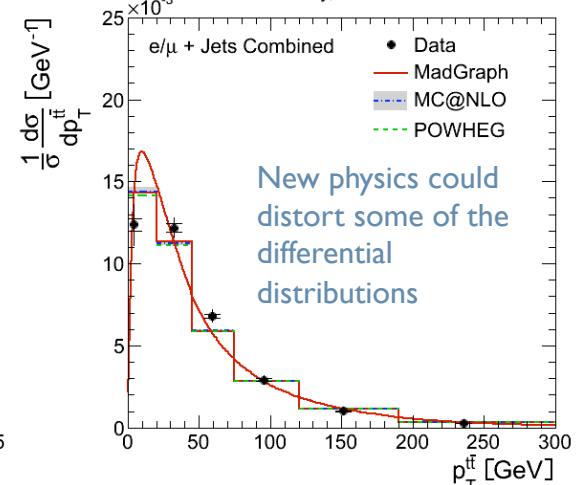
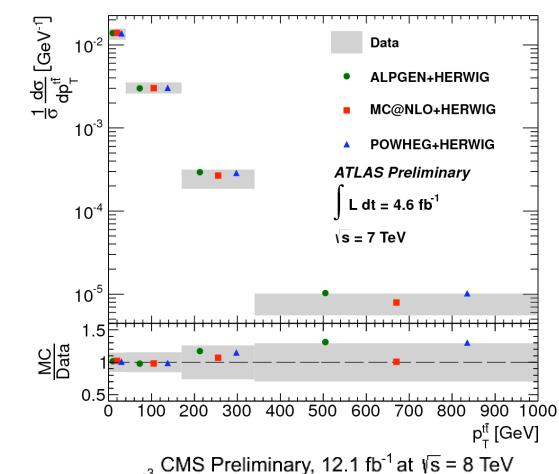
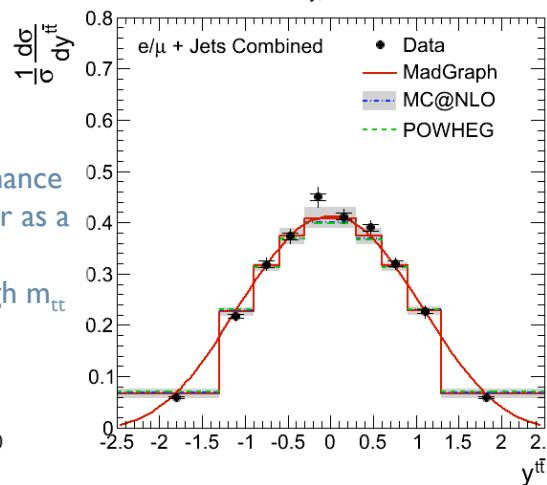
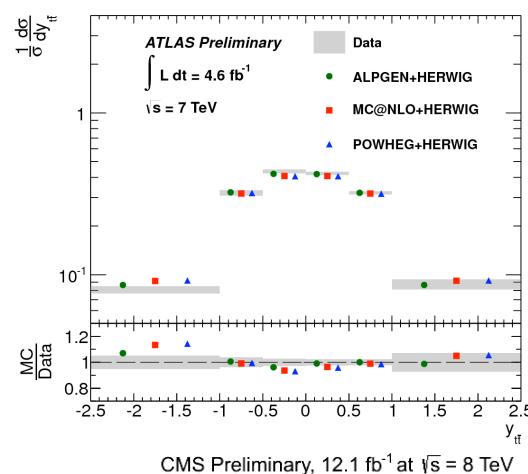
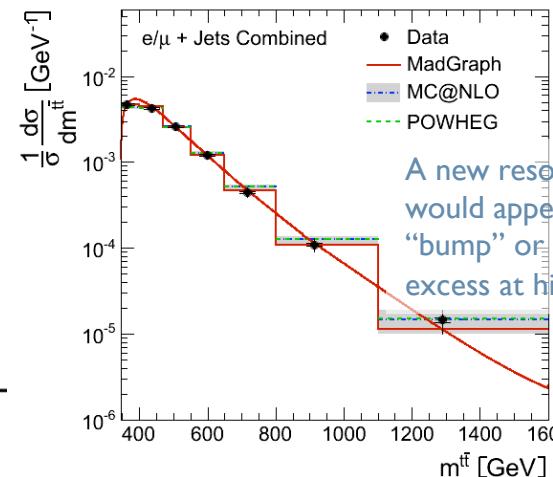
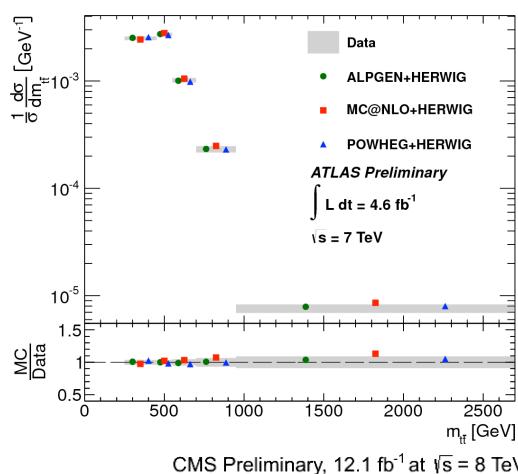
- Precise measurements of top-quark distributions are a crucial task:
  - Tests of perturbative QCD in different phase space regions
  - Enhance sensitivity to New Physics in top processes
  - Control background for Higgs, rare processes and many Beyond-Standard-Model searches



# $t\bar{t}$ pair: $m_{t\bar{t}}$ , $y_{t\bar{t}}$ , $p_T^{t\bar{t}}$

ATLAS-CONF-2013-099 (l+jets, 7 TeV)  
 ATLAS: EPJC73 (2013) 2339 (dileptons, 7 TeV)  
 CMS-PAS TOP-12-027 (l+jets, 8 TeV)  
 CMS-PAS TOP-12-028 (dileptons, 8 TeV)

- Potentially sensitive to new physics!
- Many distribution studied, good agreement with theory predictions so far

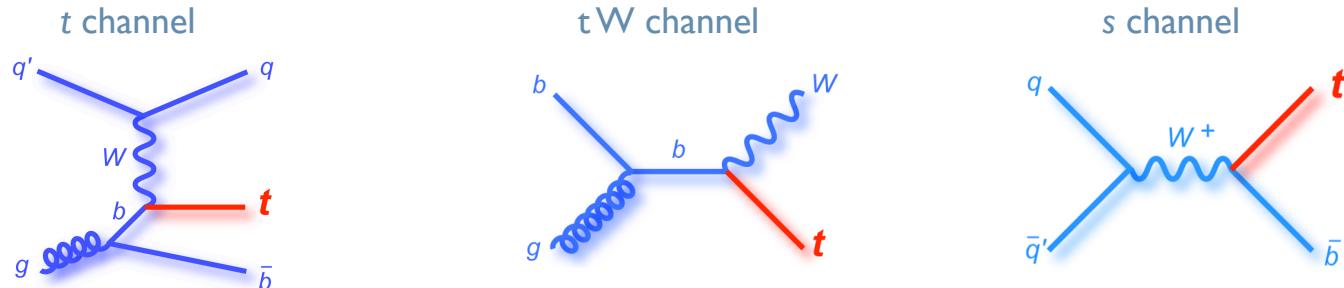


# Single-top production

- ▶ Electroweak top-production
- ▶ Unique opportunity to study the  $Wtb$  vertex at production

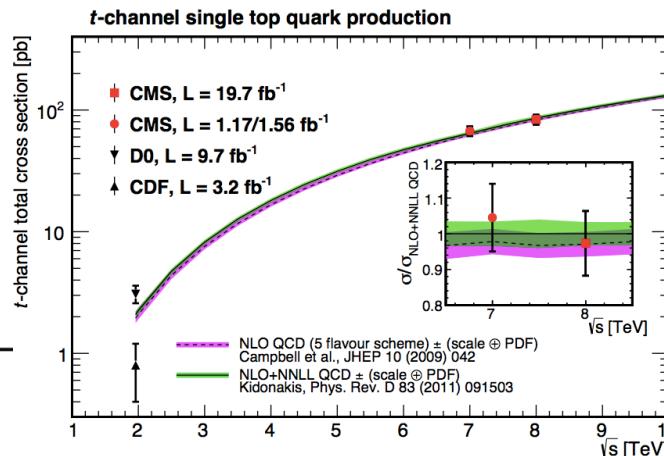
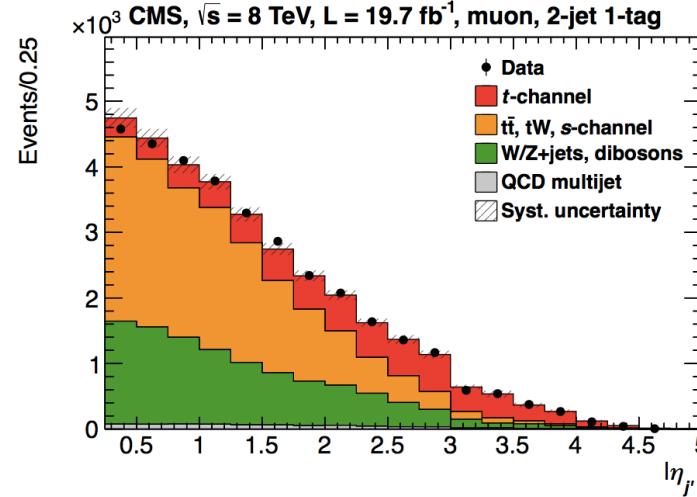
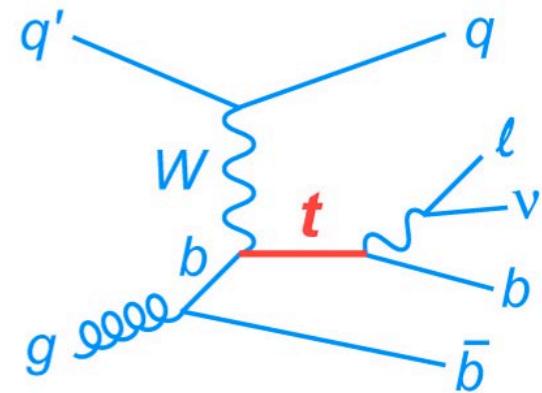
- ▶ May be sensitive to new physics
  - ▶  $t$ -channel: Flavour-changing neutral currents
  - ▶  $s$ -channel:  $W'$ ,  $H^+$ , ...
- ▶ Measure  $|V_{tb}|$  in the production vertex
  - ▶ New physics may be not accessible in decay if new particles are too heavy
- ▶ Possibly constrain proton's PDF

$$\begin{pmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} & V_{uX} ? \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} & V_{cX} ? \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} & V_{tX} ? \\ V_{Yd} ? & V_{Ys} ? & V_{Yt} ? & V_{YX} ? \end{pmatrix}$$



# $t$ channel: CMS

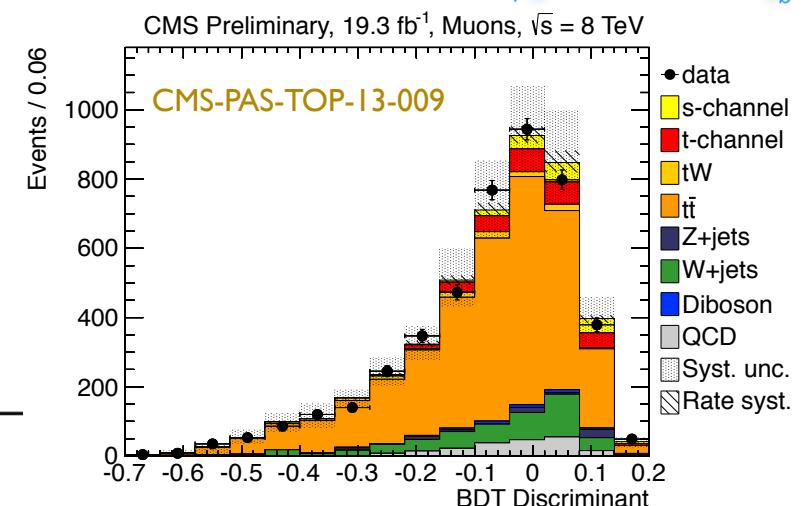
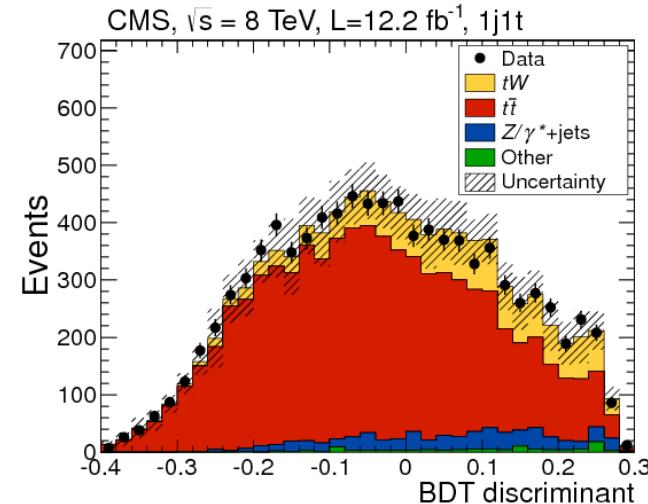
- ▶ Signal selection: one  $e$  or  $\mu$ , two jets of which one  $b$  tagged, one forward
- ▶ Number of signal and background ( $W + \text{jets}$ ,  $t\bar{t}^{\bar{b}}$ ) events determined from a fit to the  $|\eta_{j'}|$  distribution
- ▶ Distributions for  $W + \text{jets}$  and  $t\bar{t}^{\bar{b}}$  are determined from control regions in data ( $n$ -jets,  $m$ - $b$  tags)
  - ▶  $\sigma_{t\text{-ch.}} = 83.6 \pm 2.3(\text{stat}) \pm 7.4(\text{syst}) \text{ pb}$
  - ▶  $R_{8/7} = 1.24 \pm 0.08(\text{stat}) \pm 0.12(\text{syst})$
- ▶ Largest uncertainty: signal modeling (generator), jet energy scale



# tW, s-ch. production

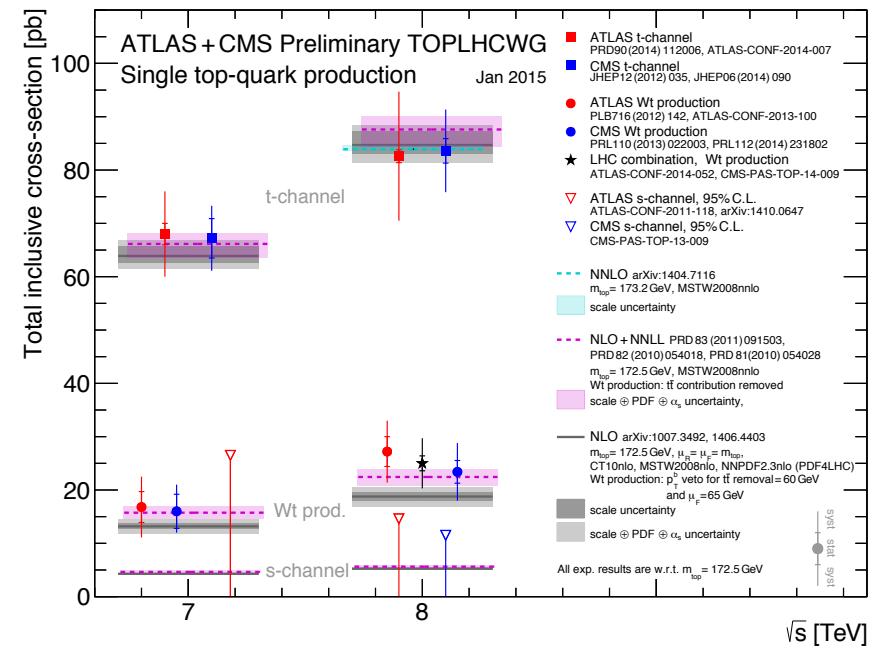
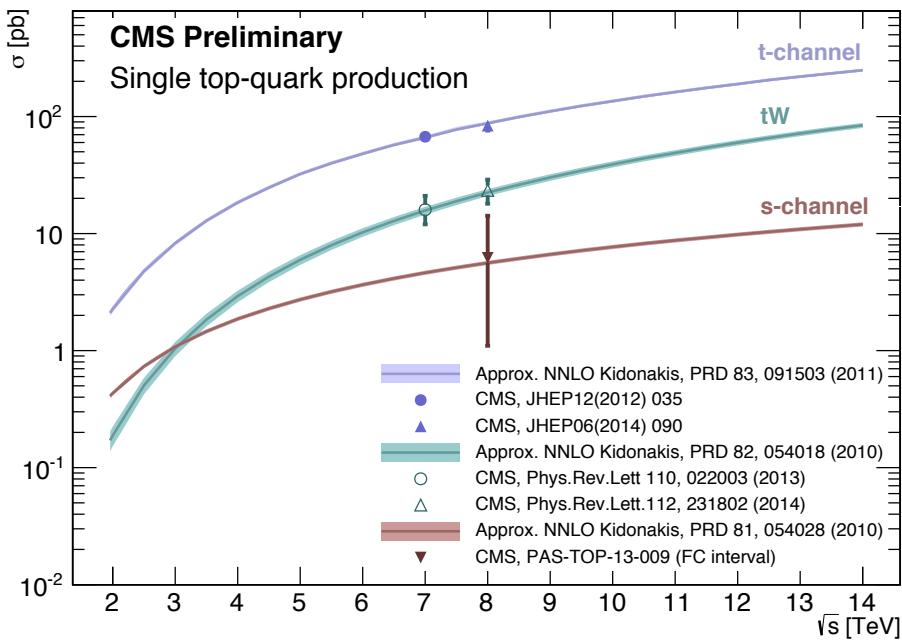
7 TeV: Phys.Rev.Lett 110, 022003 (2013)  
 8 TeV: Phys. Rev. Lett. 112 (2014) 231802

- ▶ More rare modes affected by large background due to  $t\bar{t}$  events
- ▶ Probe different production modes
- ▶ Multivariate discriminators ([Boosted Decision Trees](#)) adopted to enhance the signal/background separation.
  
- ▶ tW (12.2 $\text{fb}^{-1}$ , 8TeV):  
 $\sigma_{\text{tW}} = 23.4^{+5.5}_{-5.4} \text{ pb}$   
 significance:  $6.1\sigma$  obs. ( $5.4^{+1.5}_{-1.4}\sigma$  exp.)
  
- ▶ s-ch. (19.3 $\text{fb}^{-1}$ , 8TeV):  
 $\sigma_{\text{s-ch.}} < 11.5 \text{ pb} = 2.1 \times \sigma_{\text{SM}}, 95\% \text{ CL}$ 
  - ▶ Assuming SM signal:  
 $\sigma_{\text{s-ch.}} = 6.2^{+8.0}_{-5.1} \text{ pb}$  (68% FC int.)
  - ▶ Significance:  $0.9\sigma$  exp,  $0.7\sigma$  obs
  
- ▶ Main limitation to both channel is the modeling of the very large  $t\bar{t}$  background



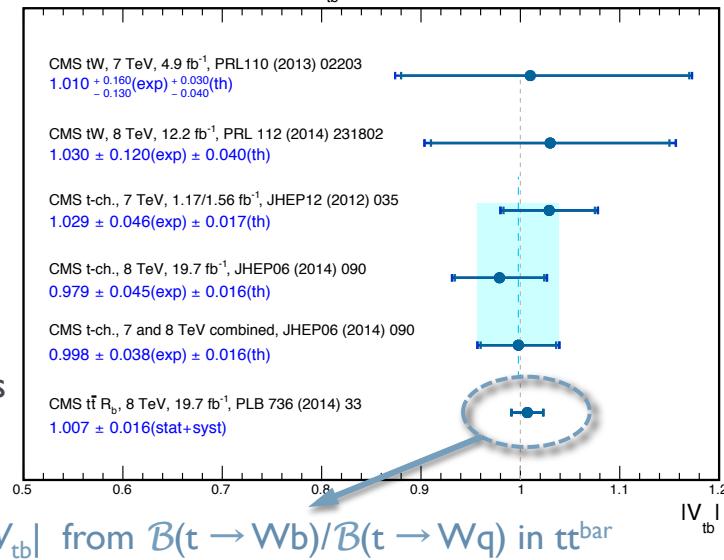
# Single top LHC cross sect. summary

- All measurements are in agreement with theory calculations (reached the NNLO or approx. NNLO)



# $|V_{tb}|$ from single top

- The  $|V_{tb}|$  measurement in single-top events provides a unique opportunity to directly probe the top production Wtb vertex:  $|V_{tb}| = \sqrt{(\sigma/\sigma^{\text{th}}(|V_{tb}|=1))}$ , assuming  $|V_{tb}| \gg |V_{ts}|, |V_{td}|$  or equivalently  $\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Wb) = 1$ 
  - Deviations from the SM are potentially sensitive to new physics
- Eight measurements in the  $t$  channel and in  $tW$ , the latter with less precision



## ATLAS:

- 7 TeV:  $|V_{tb}| = 1.13^{+0.14}_{-0.13}$  (t-ch., 11.9%)  
 $|V_{tb}| = 1.03^{+0.16}_{-0.19}$  (tW, 17.0%)
- 8 TeV:  $|V_{tb}| = 0.97 \pm 0.01(\text{stat})^{+0.06}_{-0.07}(\text{syst}) \pm 0.6(\text{gen+PDF})^{+0.02}_{-0.01}(\text{th}) \pm 0.01(\text{lumi})$   
 $= 0.97^{+0.09}_{-0.10}$  (t-ch., 9.8%)  
 $|V_{tb}| = 1.10 \pm 0.12(\text{exp}) \pm 0.03(\text{th})$  (tW, 11.2%)

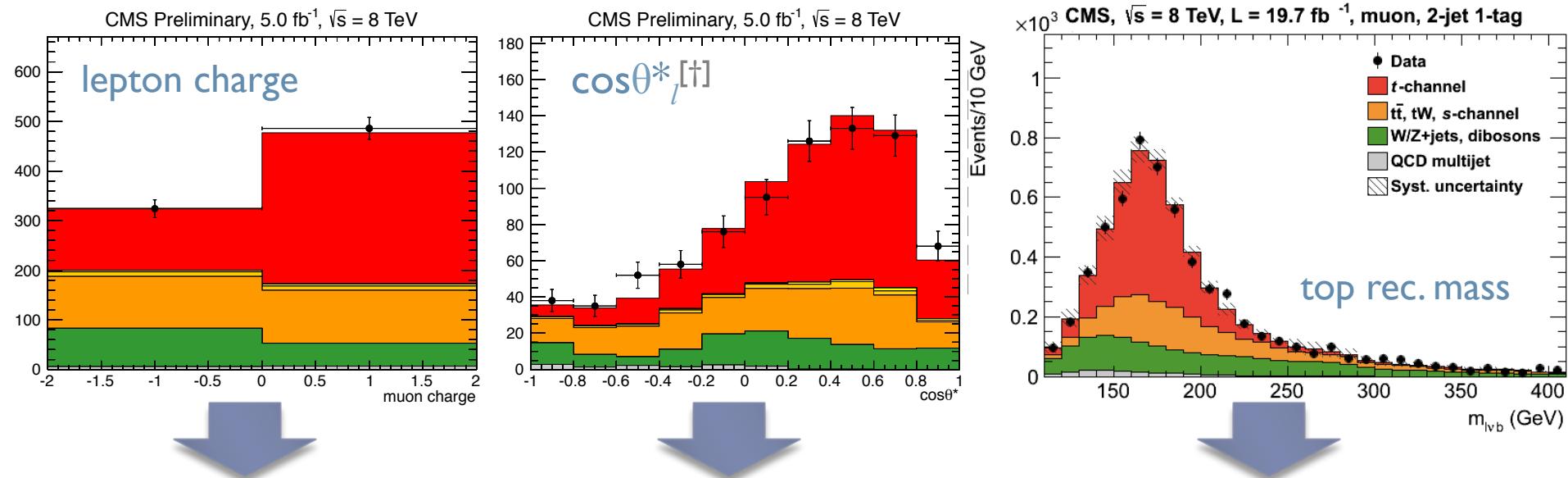
## CMS:

- 7 TeV:  $|V_{tb}| = 1.020 \pm 0.046(\text{exp}) \pm 0.017(\text{th})$  (t-ch. 4.8%)  
 $|V_{tb}| = 1.01^{+0.16}_{-0.13}(\text{exp})^{+0.03}_{-0.04}(\text{th})$  (tW, 14.8%)
  - 8 TeV:  $|V_{tb}| = 0.979 \pm 0.045(\text{exp}) \pm 0.016(\text{th})$  (t-ch. 4.9%)  
 $|V_{tb}| = 1.03 \pm 0.12(\text{exp}) \pm 0.04(\text{th})$  (tW 12.3%)
- $|V_{tb}| = 0.998 \pm 0.038(\text{exp}) \pm 0.016(\text{th})$   
(7+8 TeV t-ch., comb.: 4.1%)



# $t$ -channel: distributions

- ▶ The  $t$ -channel data sample is large enough to study distributions
  - ▶ → differential cross section measurements
- ▶ Signal can be enhanced by requiring e.g.: large forward jet pseudorapidity:  $|\eta_{j'}| > 2.0$



Top/antitop  $\sigma$  ratio,  
ATLAS-CONF-2012-056,  
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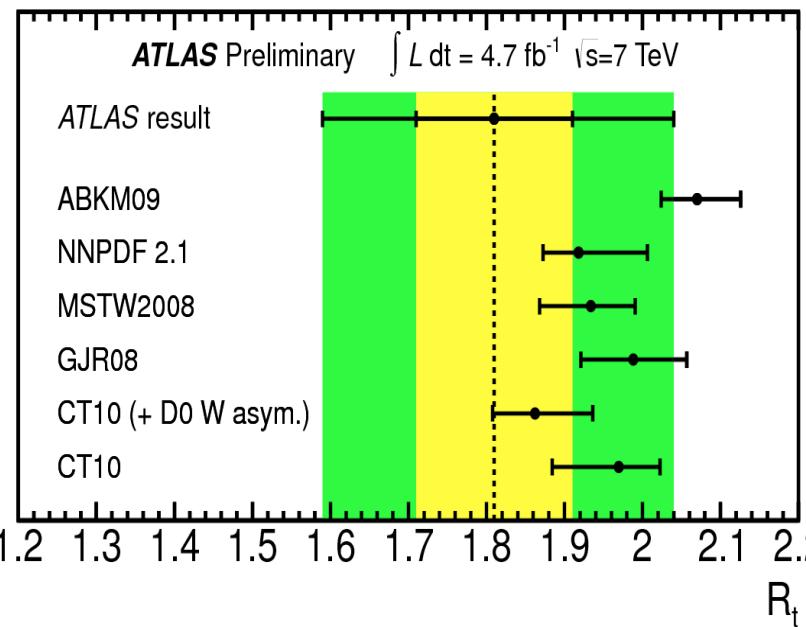
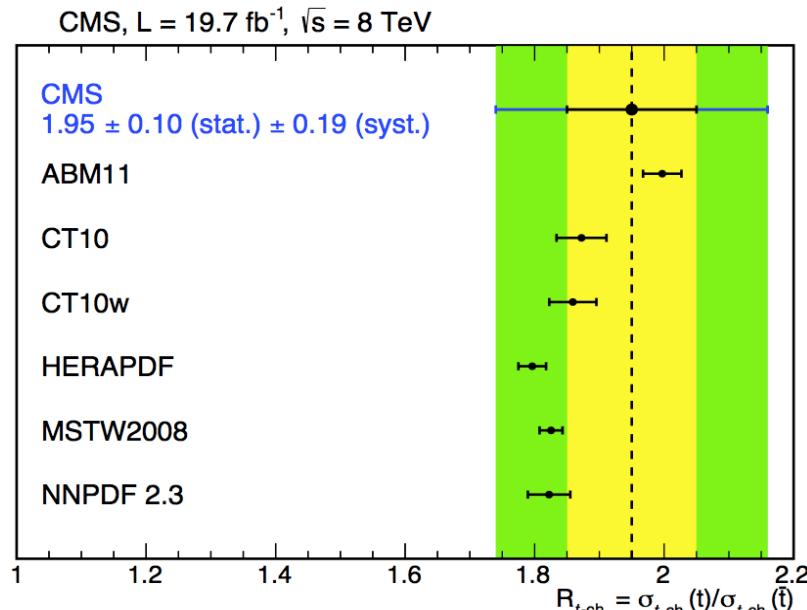
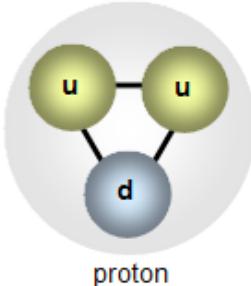
Top polarization, CMS-PAS-TOP-13-001  
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Top mass,  
ATLAS-CONF-2014-055



# Top/antitop ratio

- ▶  $R_t = \sigma_t(t)/\sigma_t(t^{\bar{}})$  is potentially sensitive to the proton's PDF
- ▶ ATLAS, 7 TeV:
  - ▶  $\sigma_t(t) = 53.2 \pm 10.8$  pb,  
 $\sigma_t(t^{\bar{}}) = 29.5^{+7.4}_{-7.5}$  pb
  - ▶  $R_t = 1.81^{+0.23}_{-0.22}$
- ▶ CMS, 8 TeV:
  - ▶  $\sigma_t(t) = 53.8 \pm 1.5(\text{stat}) \pm 4.4(\text{syst})$  pb,  
 $\sigma_t(t^{\bar{}}) = 27.6 \pm 1.3(\text{stat}) \pm 3.7(\text{syst})$  pb
  - ▶  $R_t = 1.95 \pm 0.10(\text{stat}) \pm 0.19(\text{syst})$
- ▶ Approaching the precision necessary to discriminate between different PDF models
  - ▶ Main sources of uncertainty: jet energy scale, signal modeling



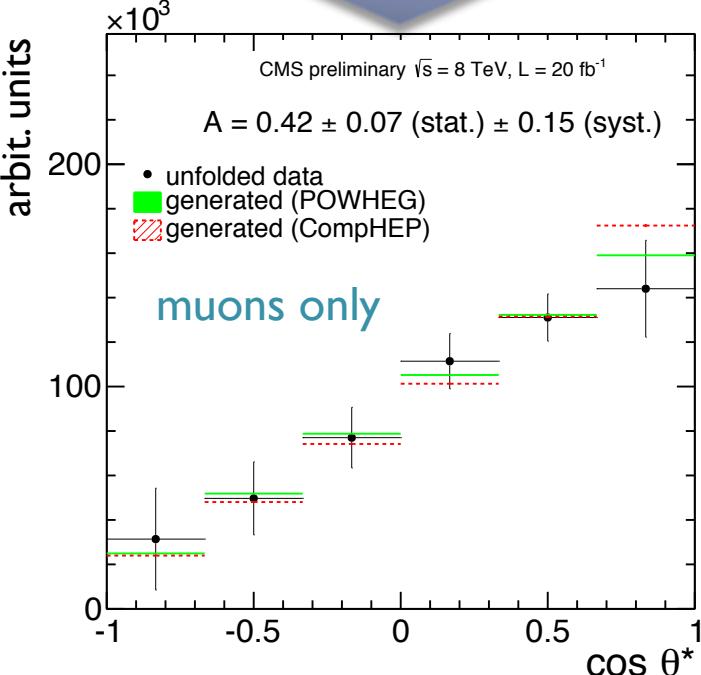
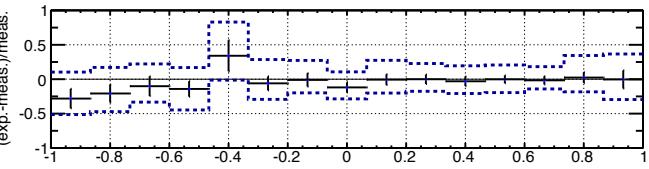
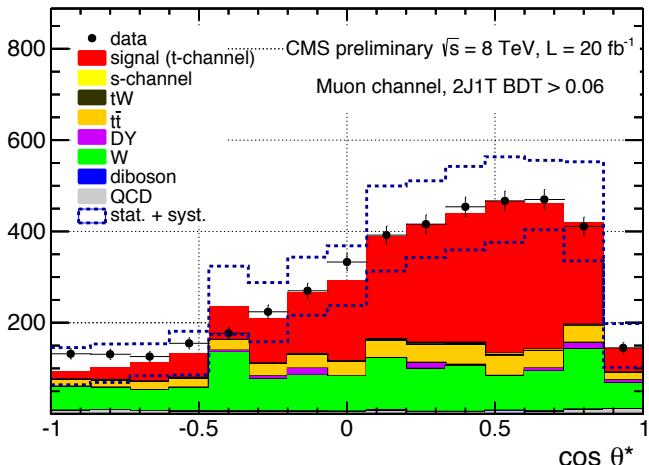
# Top quark polarization

- ▶ Test of parity violation in the SM performed on a “free” quark at the production vertex
  - ▶ The top quark from electroweak production is 100% polarized due to the V-A structure of the interaction at the Wtb production vertex
- ▶ In the SM  $P_t = 1$ :  $A_l = \frac{1}{2}P_t = \frac{N(\uparrow) - N(\downarrow)}{N(\uparrow) + N(\downarrow)}$
- ▶ The  $\cos \theta^*_{\text{[†]}}$  distribution is obtained in a signal-enriched sample after unfolding the experimental effects, and compared to:

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{d \cos \theta^*} = \frac{\Gamma}{2}(1 + P_t \cos \theta^*)$$

- ▶ Measured top polarization:  
 $P_t = 0.82 \pm 0.12(\text{stat}) \pm 0.32(\text{syst}), e+\mu \text{ combined}$

[†]  $\theta^*_{\text{l}} = \text{angle between lepton in W rest frame and the W in top rest frame.}$



# W polarization in $t\bar{t}$

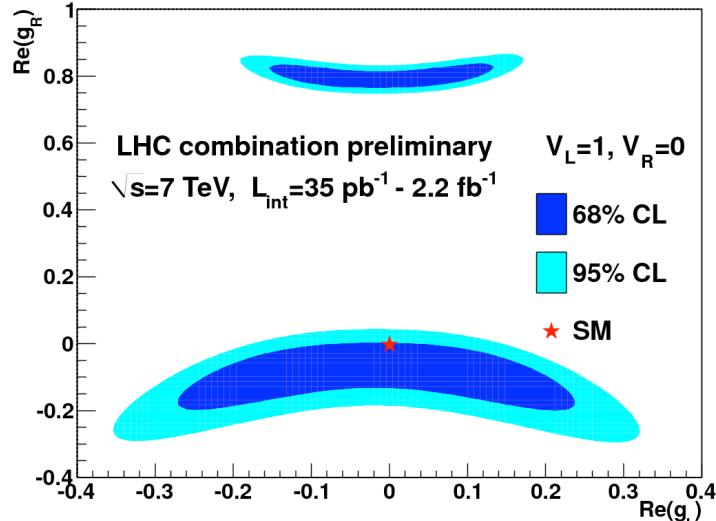
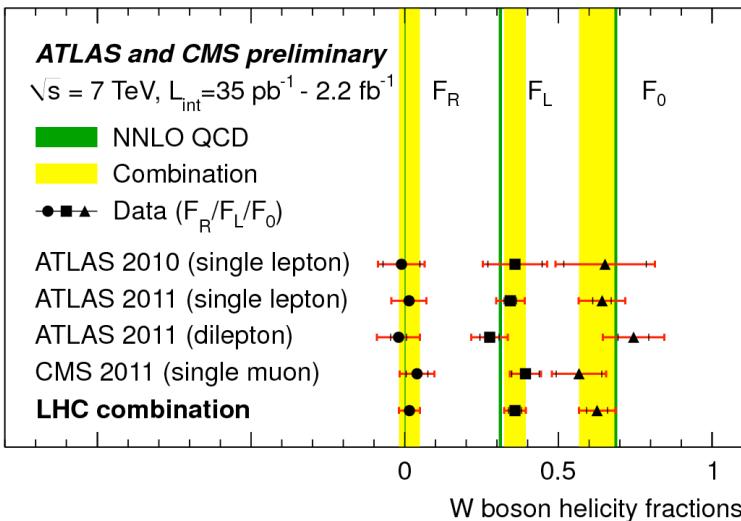
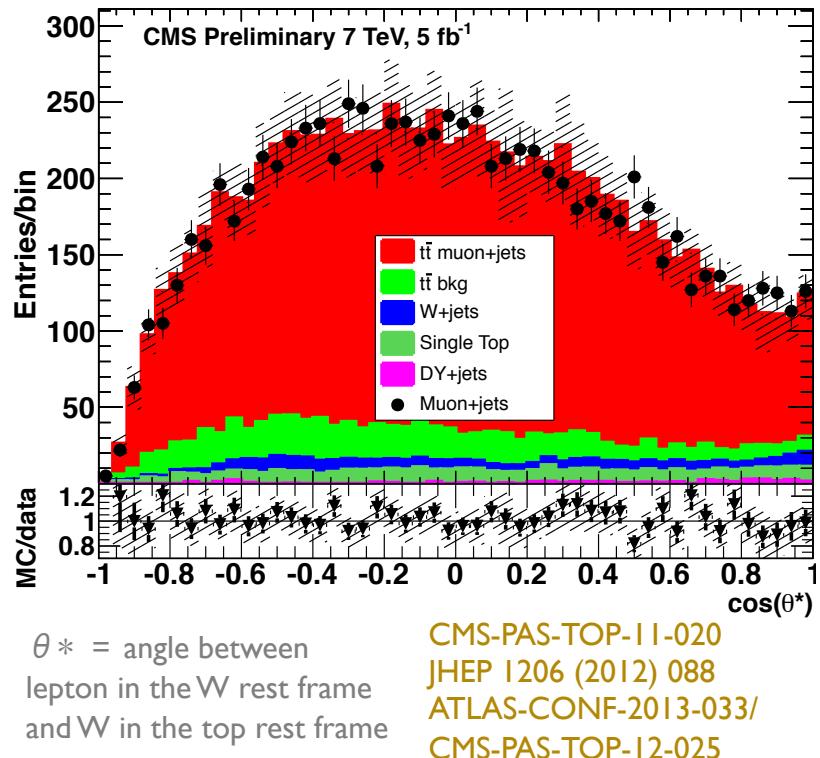
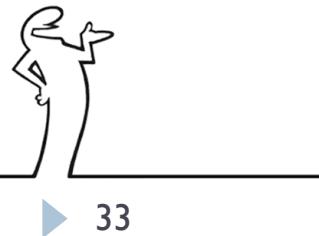
- ▶ Test of **parity violation** in the SM performed on a “free” quark at the **decay vertex**
  - ▶ Top quarks are produced unpolarized in strong interactions
  - ▶ The  $t \rightarrow W b$  decay induces a W polarization due to the V-A structure of weak charged current

$$\frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{d\Gamma}{d \cos \theta^*} = \frac{3}{8} (1 - \cos \theta^*)^2 F_L + \frac{3}{8} (1 + \cos \theta^*)^2 F_R + \frac{3}{4} \sin^2 \theta^* F_0$$

- ▶ Anomalous  $tWb$  couplings can be probed:

$$\mathcal{L}_{Wtb} = -\frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{b} \gamma^\mu (V_L P_L + V_R P_R) t W_\mu^- - \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{b} \frac{i \sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu}{M_W} (g_L P_L + g_R P_R) t W_\mu^- + \text{H.c.}$$

Also studied in  
single top  
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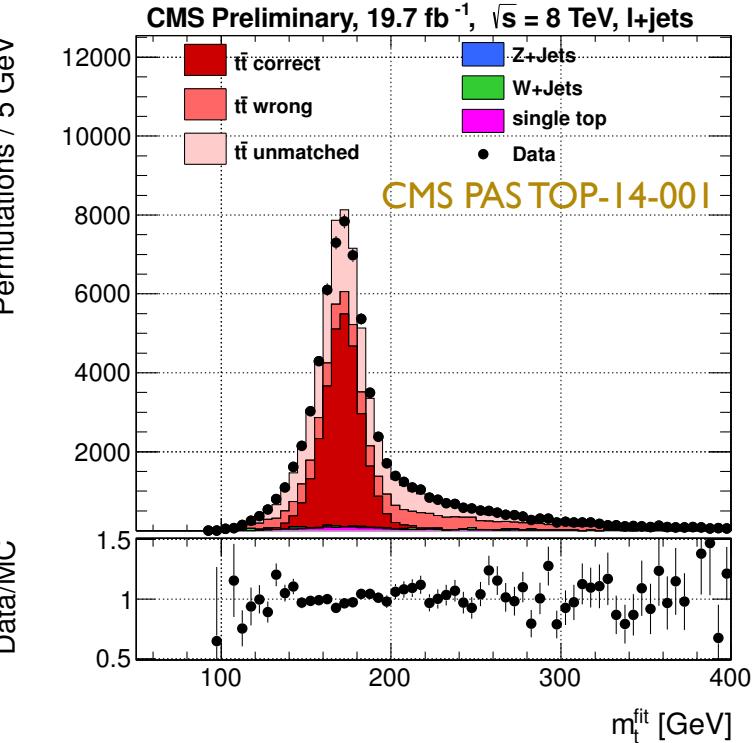
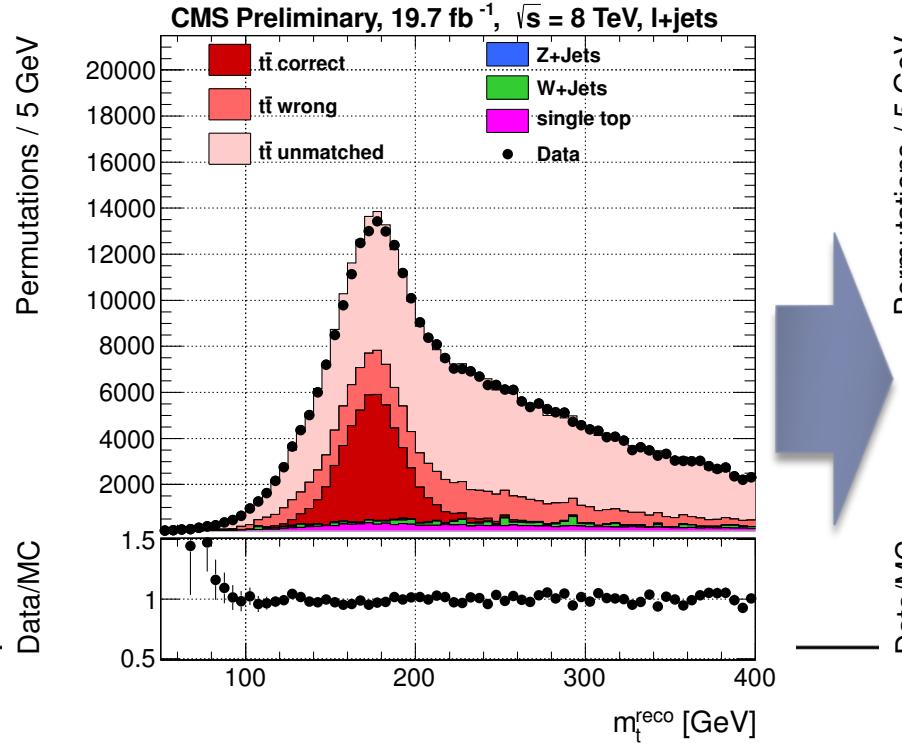
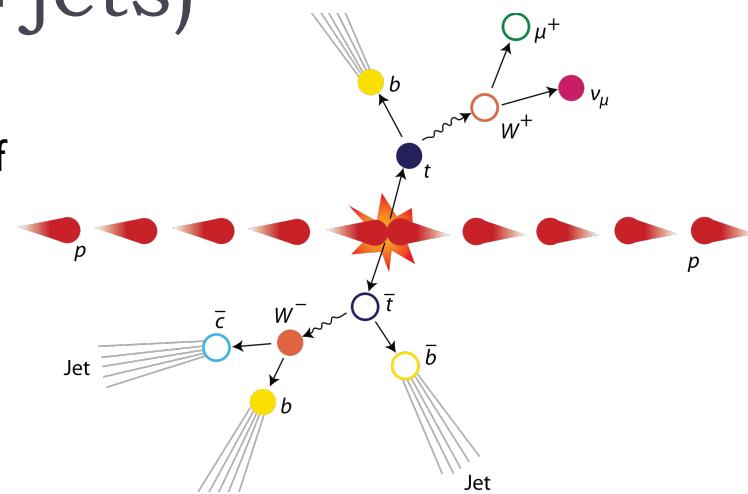
# Top-quark mass (CMS, $l+jets$ )

- Signal selection: one lepton,  $\geq 4$  jets,  $\geq 2$  b-tagged jets
- Kinematic fit:  $m_W$  constraint on both W, equal mass of decaying heavy particles; goodness-of-fit from  $\chi^2$ :

$$P_{\text{gof}} = P(\chi^2) = \exp(-\frac{1}{2}\chi^2)$$

- Weight possible permutations by  $\chi^2$  probability (at least  $P(\chi^2) > 0.2$  required)

$$\mathcal{L}(m_t, \text{JES} | \text{sample}) \propto \prod_{\text{events}} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n c P_{\text{gof}}(i) P(m_{t,i}^{\text{fit}}, m_{W,i}^{\text{reco}} | m_t, \text{JES}) \right)^{w_{\text{event}}}$$



# Top-quark mass (cont.)

- ▶ Simultaneous fit of  $m_t$  and of jet energy scale from reconstructed  $W$ -mass distribution (hadronic  $W$ )

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

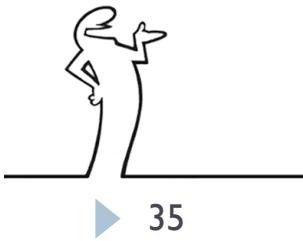
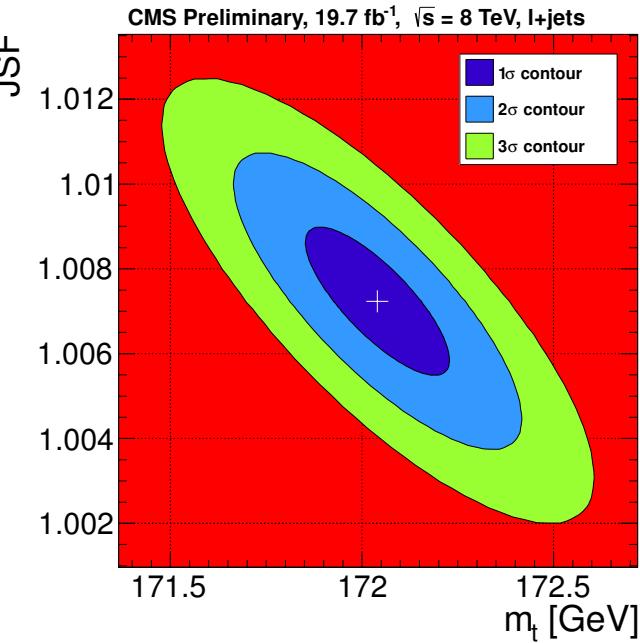
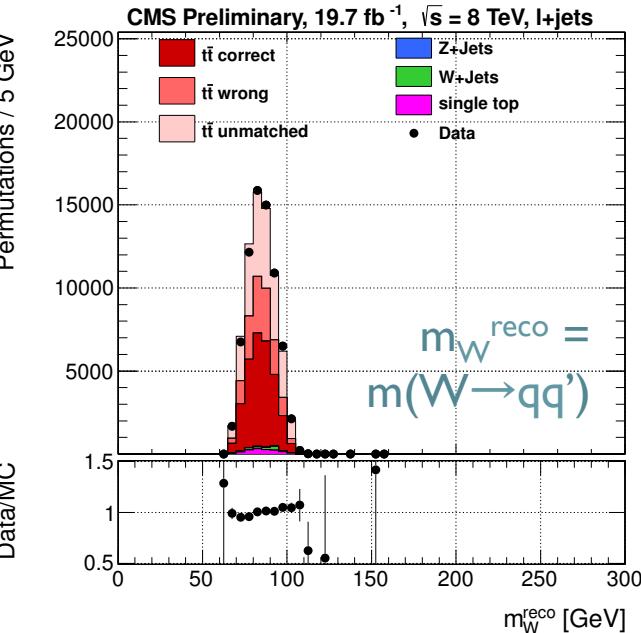
$$\text{JSF} = 1.007 \pm 0.002 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.012 \text{ (syst.)}.$$

- ▶ Reached ultimate Tevatron precision

- ▶ Most precise measurement by D0:

$$m_t = 174.98 \pm 0.76 \text{ GeV (arXiv:1405.1756, } l+\text{jets})$$

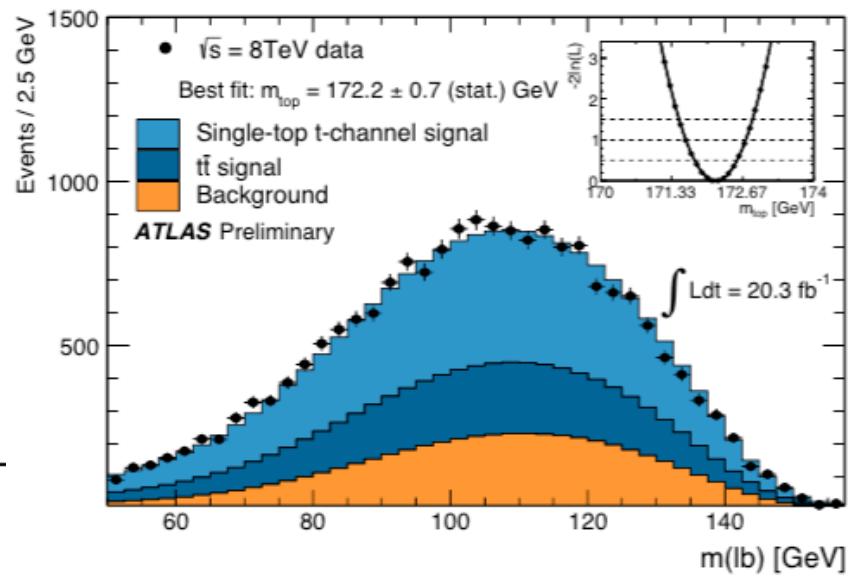
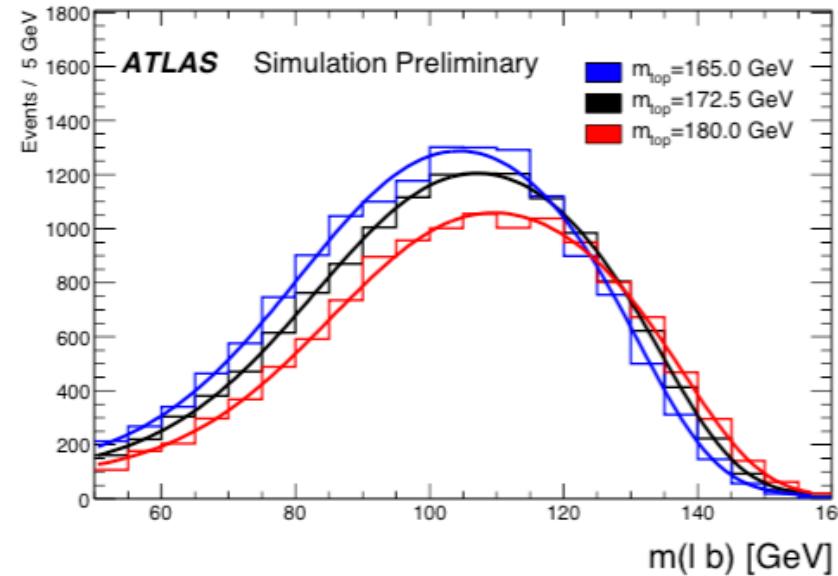
	$\delta m_t^{2D}$ (GeV)
Experimental uncertainties	
Fit calibration	0.10
$p_T$ - and $\eta$ -dependent JES	0.18
Lepton energy scale	0.03
MET	0.09
Jet energy resolution	0.26
b tagging	0.02
Pileup	0.27
Non- $t\bar{t}$ background	0.11
Modeling of hadronization	
Flavor-dependent JSF	0.41
b fragmentation	0.06
Semi-leptonic B hadron decays	0.16
Modeling of the hard scattering process	
PDF	0.09
Renormalization and factorization scales	$0.12 \pm 0.13$
ME-PS matching threshold	$0.15 \pm 0.13$
ME generator	$0.23 \pm 0.14$
Modeling of non-perturbative QCD	
Underlying event	$0.14 \pm 0.17$
Color reconnection modeling	$0.08 \pm 0.15$
Total	0.75



# Top-quark mass from single top

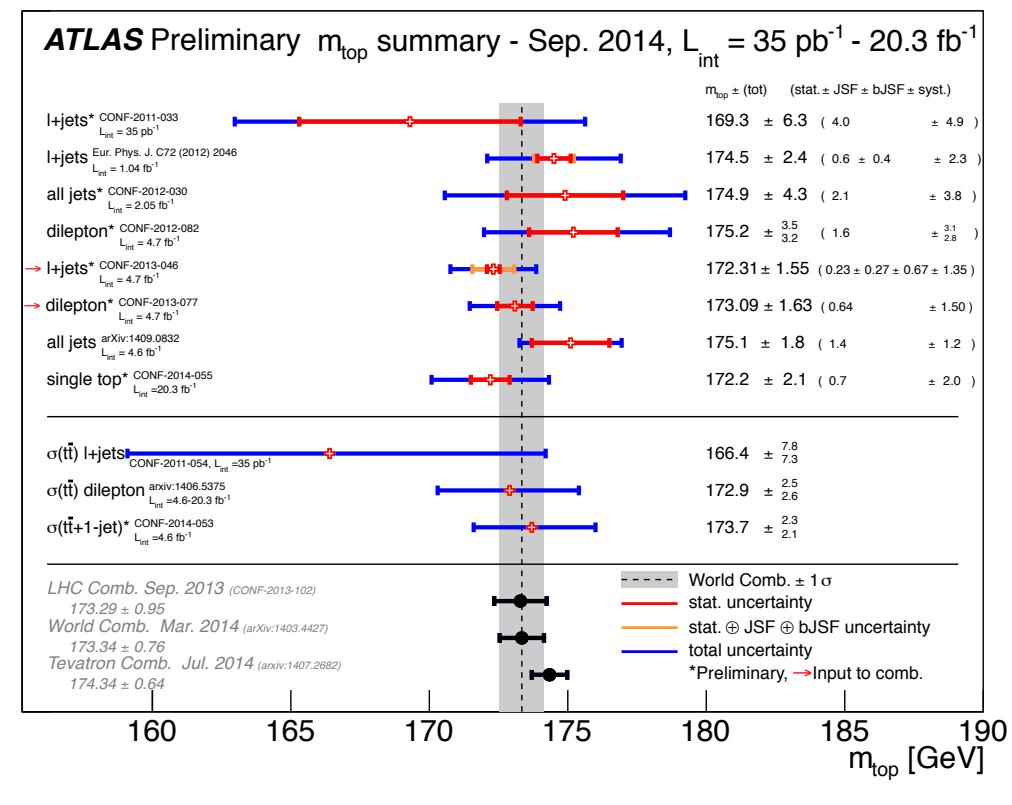
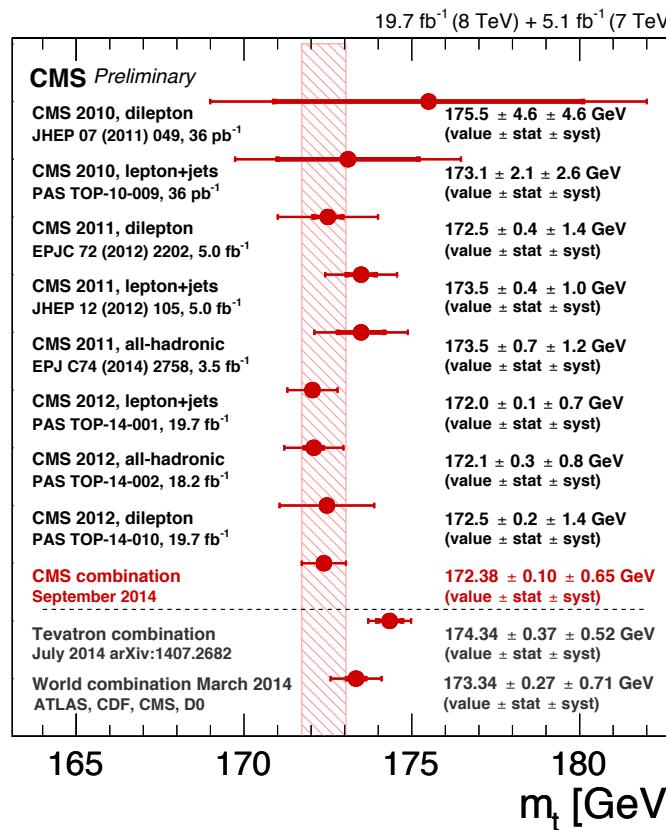
- ▶ Theoretical uncertainties complementary to  $t\bar{t}$  measurements
  - ▶ Color reconnection effect different in electro-weak and strong processes
- ▶ Event selection similar to  $t$ -channel cross section analysis (Neural Network, for ATLAS)
- ▶ Sample composition:  
~50% single top, ~23%  $t\bar{t}$
- ▶ Mass measured from the distribution of the lepton+b invariant mass
  - ▶ Varied for both single-top and  $t\bar{t}$
- ▶ Precision still limited mainly by jet energy scale (1.5 GeV),  $t$ -channel hadronization model (0.7 GeV), backgrounds (0.6 GeV)

$m_t = 172.2 \pm 0.7 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 2.0 \text{ (syst.) GeV}$



# Top-quark mass combinations

- World combination released, including Tevatron results
- Should be updated with latest CMS measurement

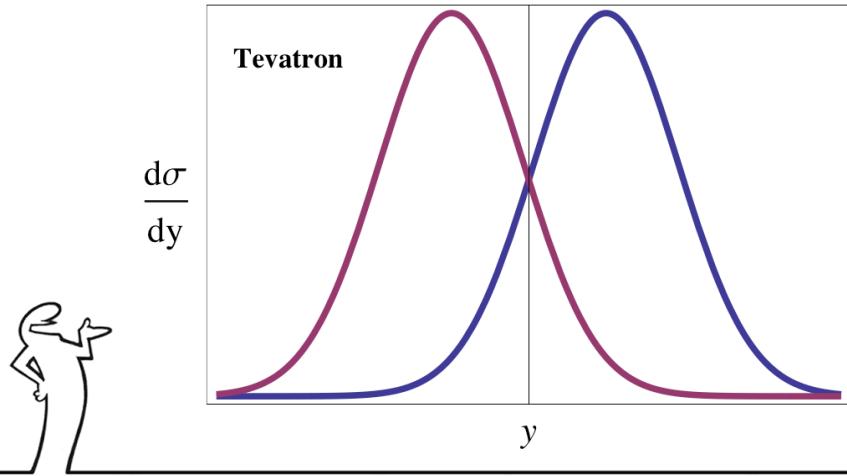


# Charge and FB asymmetries

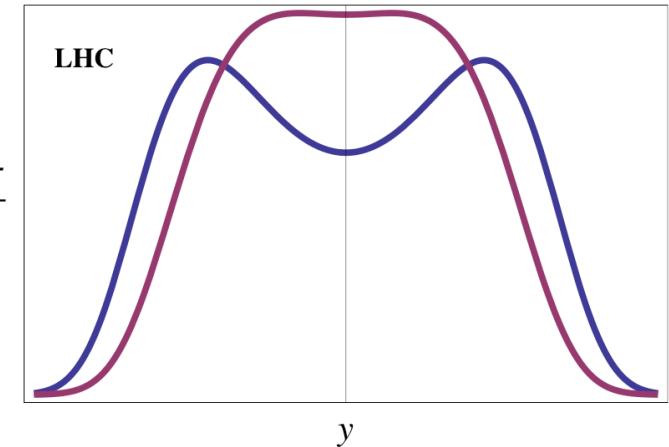
- ▶ Hints of FB asymmetry reported since long by Tevatron (mainly CDF)
- ▶ In the SM no forward-backward asymmetry is expected in  $gg \rightarrow tt^{\bar{}}^{\bar{}}$  processes
- ▶ Small asymmetry in  $qq^{\bar{}}^{\bar{}} \rightarrow tt^{\bar{}}^{\bar{}}$  due to interference of higher order diagrams (ISR + FSR)
- ▶ The exchange of exotic particles may enhance the asymmetry
- ▶ LHC data not directly comparable to Tevatron: symmetric pp initial state vs asymmetric pp $^{\bar{}}^{\bar{}}$
- ▶ Charge asymmetry measured at LHC instead of forward-backward asymmetry, measured at Tevatron
- ▶ Either top or lepton  $y$  used as direction

$$\Delta|y| = |y_t| - |y_{\bar{t}}|$$
$$\Delta|y| = |y_{\ell^+}| - |y_{\ell^-}|$$

$$A_C = \frac{N(\Delta|y| > 0) - N(\Delta|y| < 0)}{N(\Delta|y| > 0) + N(\Delta|y| < 0)}$$

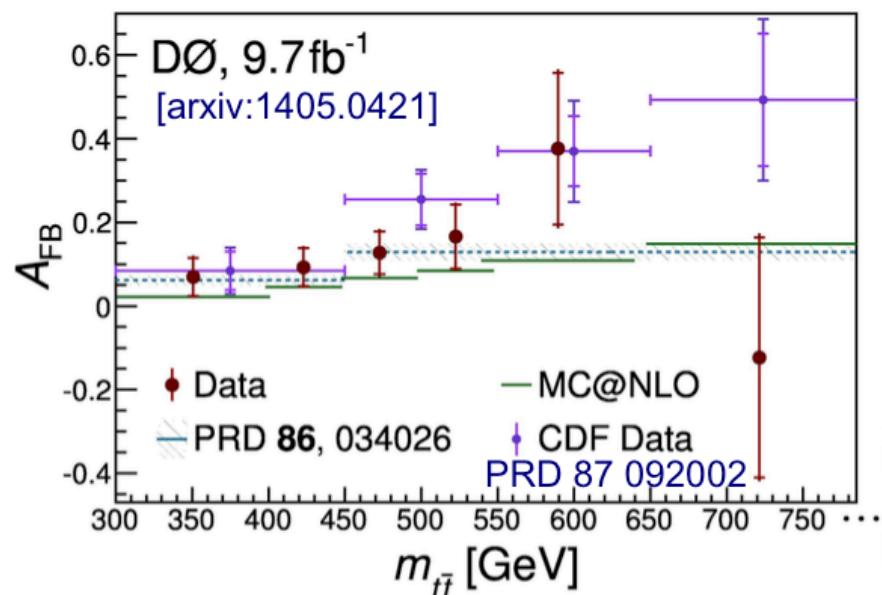
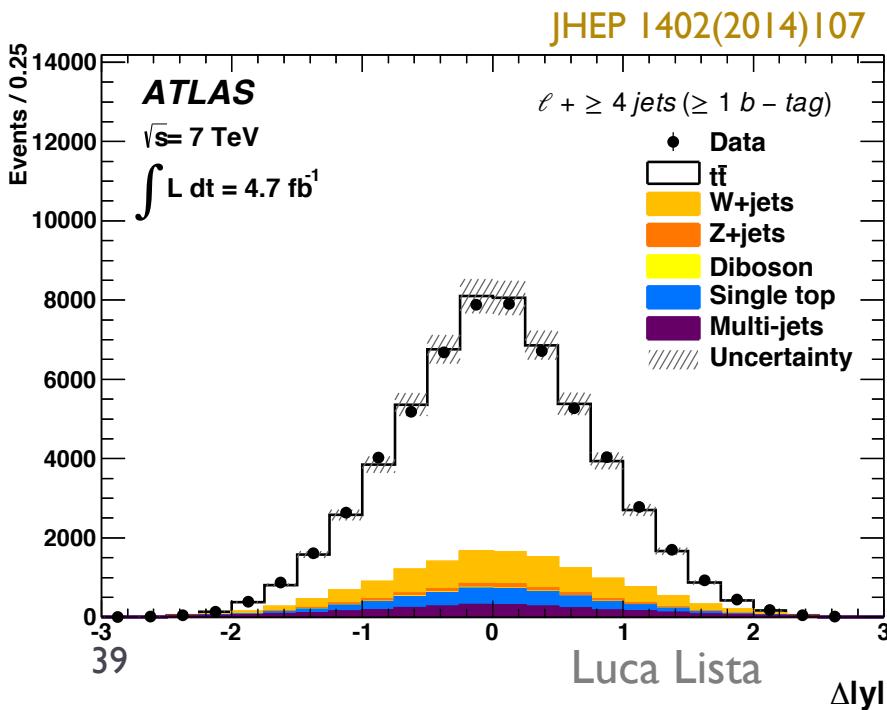


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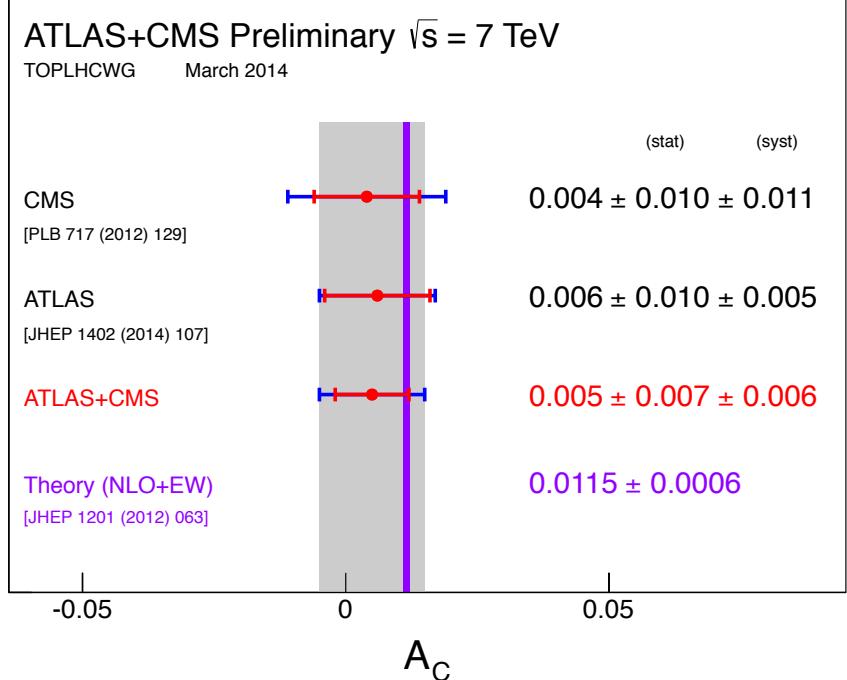


# $A_{FB}$ , $A_C$ (cont.)

- SM prediction for  $A_{FB}$  at Tevatron is zero at LO (appears at  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3)$ )
- Historically  $A_{FB}$  larger than SM for large  $m_{t\bar{t}}$  at Tevatron, though recent measurements are less pronounced
  - Also theory predictions “moved” towards data
- SM prediction for  $A_C$  at LHC is  $\sim 1\%$
- Best measured by ATLAS and CMS (and their combination) in the  $l+jets$  channel

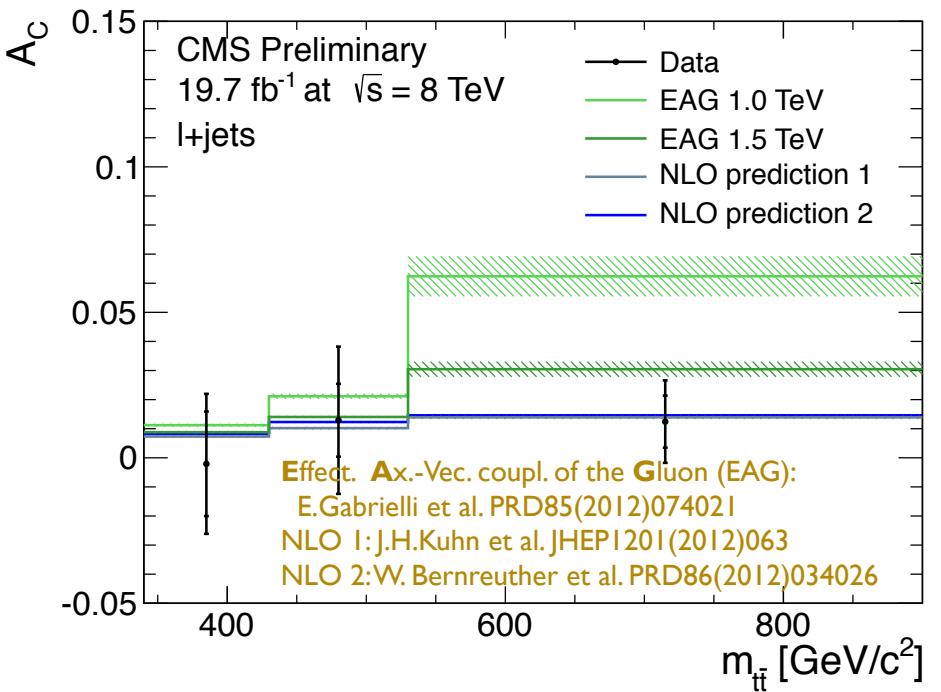
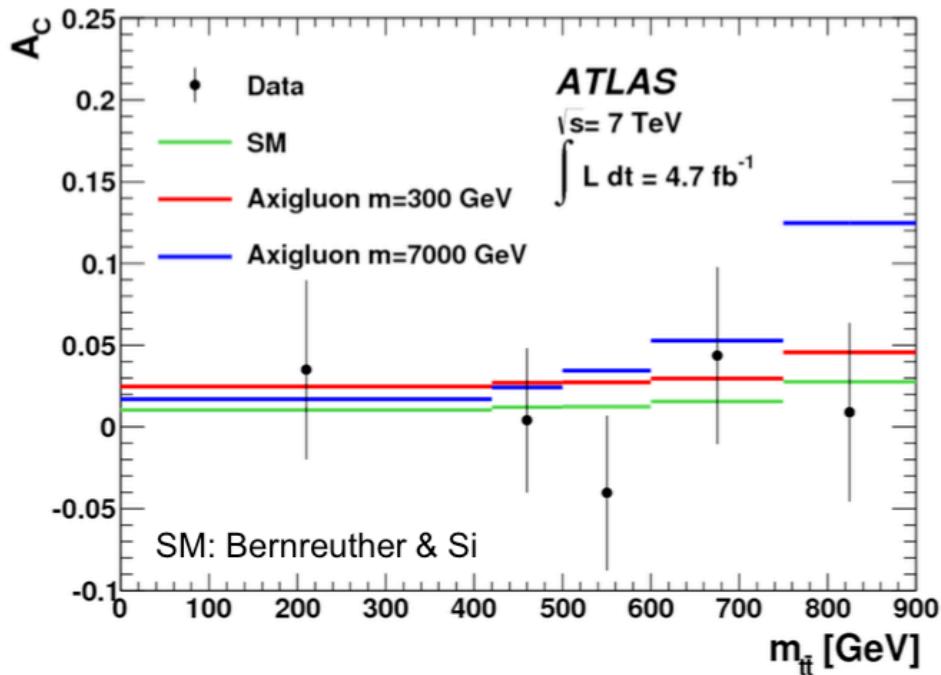
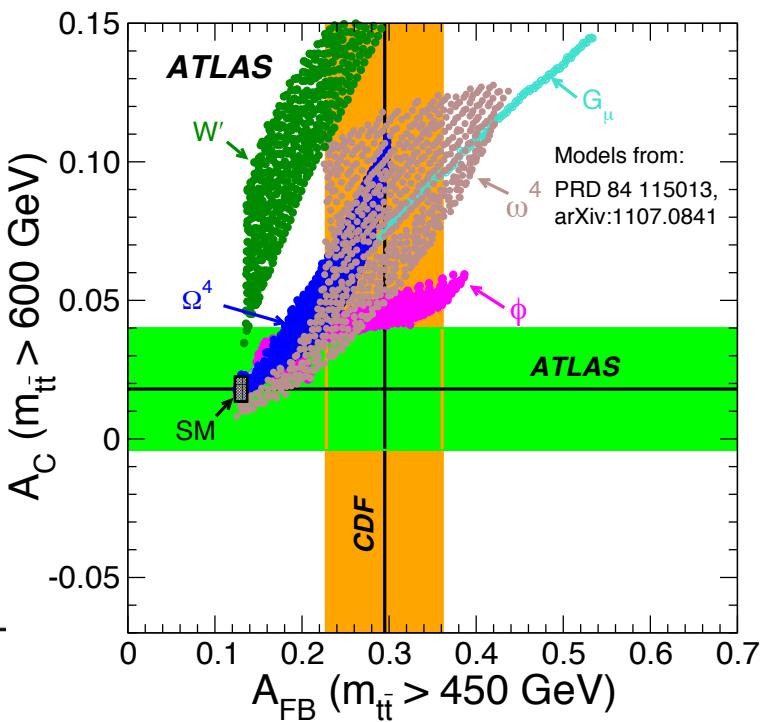
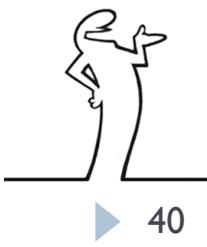


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# $A_{FB}$ , $A_C$ (differential)

- Both total and differential ( $m_{t\bar{t}}$ -dependent) measurement give no indication of deviations from SM predictions
- Limits can be set on new physics models

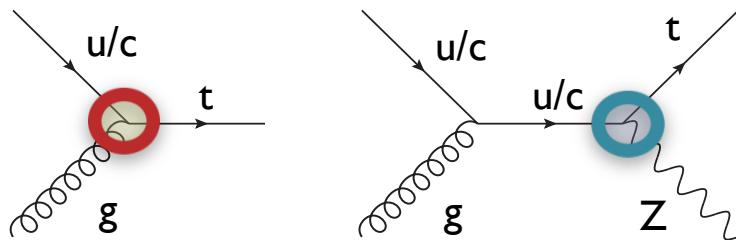


# New physics in single top

- FCNC in single-top production may arise from several new physics scenarios affecting both production ( $u/c \rightarrow t$ ) and decay (e.g:  $u/c \rightarrow tZ$ ,  $t\gamma$ ,  $tg$ )

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{q=u,c} \left[ \sqrt{2}g_s \frac{\kappa_{gqt}}{\Lambda} \bar{t}\sigma^{\mu\nu} T_a (f_q^L P_L + f_q^R P_R) q G_{\mu\nu}^a \right] \text{gut, gct}$$

$$+ \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}c_W} \frac{\kappa_{Zqt}}{\Lambda} \bar{t}\sigma^{\mu\nu} (\hat{f}_q^L P_L + \hat{f}_q^R P_R) q Z_{\mu\nu} \right] + \text{h.c.} \text{ Zut, Zct}$$



- ATLAS searches for FCNC in **single top production** with SM  $t \rightarrow Wb$  decay ([ATLAS-CONF-2013-063, 8 TeV](#))
- CMS looked for FCNC in associated  $tZ$  production ([CMS PAS TOP-12-021, 7 TeV](#))
- ATLAS also looked for **CP violation** in the  $Wtb$  vertex using lepton angular distribution in single-top ([ATLAS-CONF-2013-032, 7 TeV](#))
- No deviation from SM prediction spotted so far

ATLAS:

$$\kappa_{\text{gut}}/\Lambda < 5.1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ TeV}^{-1}$$

$$\kappa_{\text{gct}}/\Lambda < 1.1 \times 10^{-2} \text{ TeV}^{-1}$$

CMS:

$$\kappa_{\text{Zut}}/\Lambda < 0.45 \text{ TeV}^{-1}$$

$$\kappa_{\text{Zct}}/\Lambda < 2.27 \text{ TeV}^{-1}$$



$$B(t \rightarrow gu) < 3.1 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$B(t \rightarrow gc) < 1.6 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$B(t \rightarrow Zu) < 5.1 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$B(t \rightarrow Zc) < 0.1140 \quad (95\% \text{ CL})$$

$$A_{FB}^N = 0.031 \pm 0.065 \text{ (stat.)} {}^{+0.029}_{-0.031} \text{ (syst.)}$$

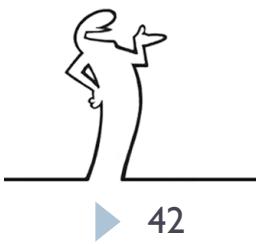
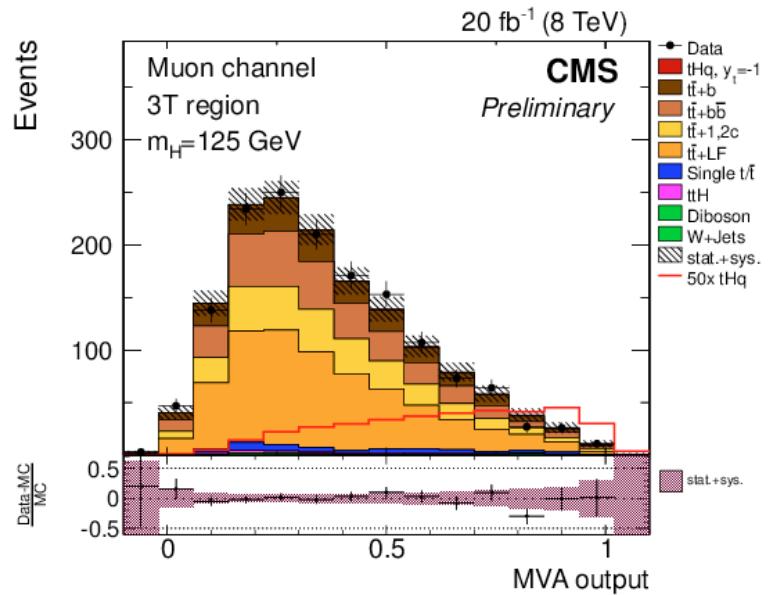
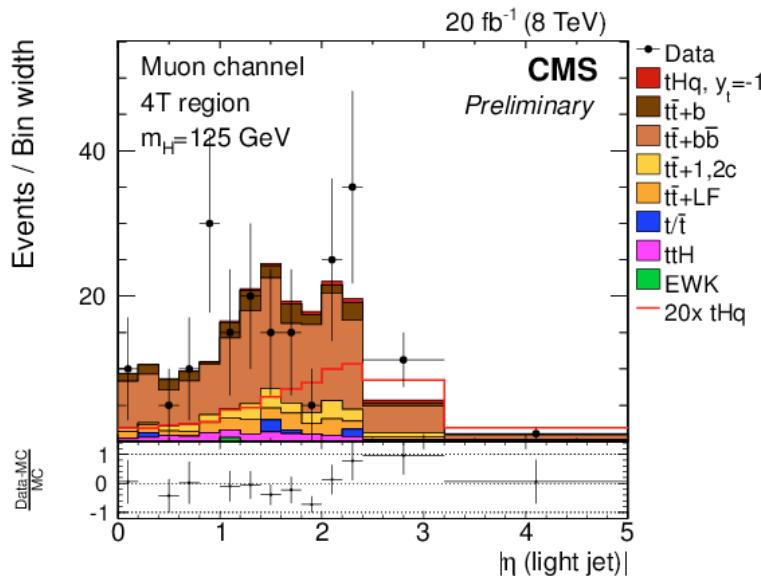
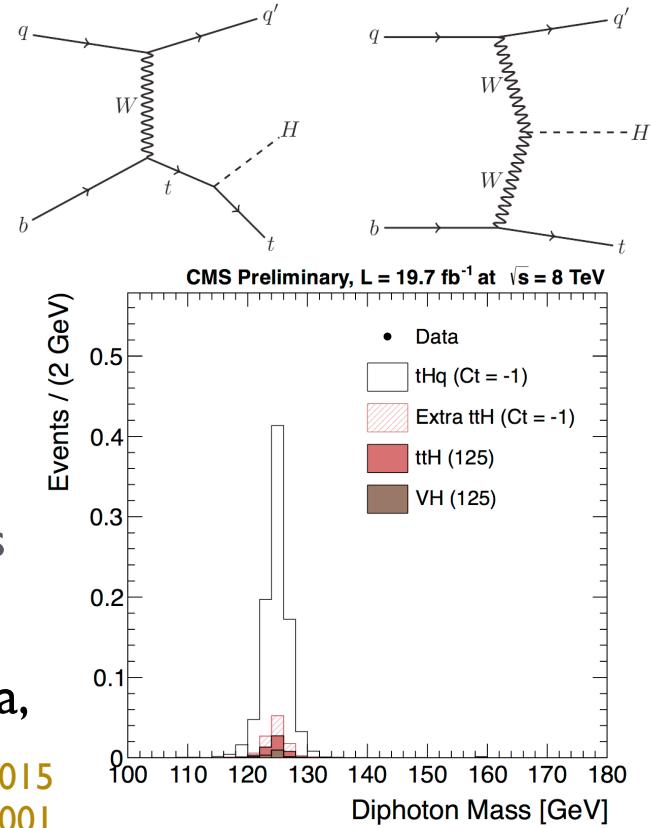
anomalous tensor coupling:  
 $-0.2 < \Im(g_R) < 0.3, 95\% \text{ CL}$



# Single top and exotic Higgs

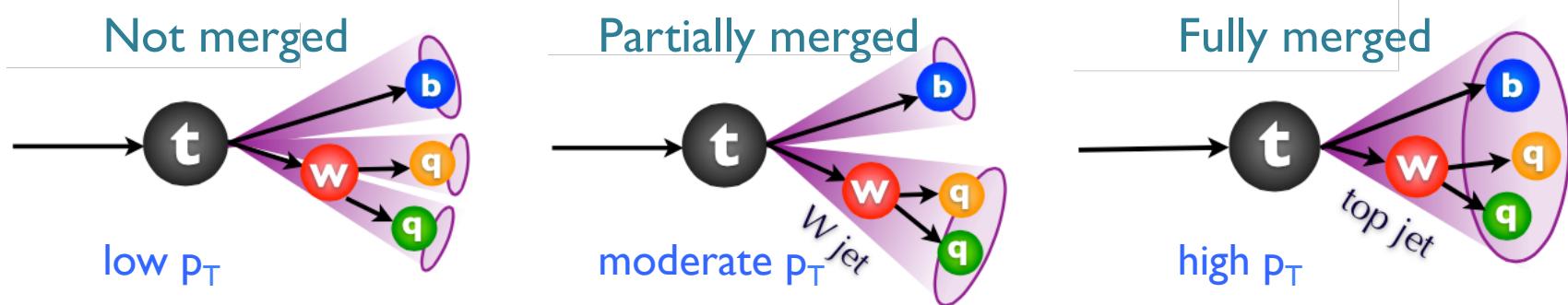
- ▶ Probe Higgs anomalous coupling to top quark ( $y_t = -1$ ), due to interference of diagrams with  $t\bar{t}H$  and  $WWH$  vertices
- ▶ Upper limits to cross section set:
  - ▶  $\sigma(tHq, H \rightarrow bb) < 7.6 \times \sigma(y_t = -1)$ , 5.1 exp., 95%CLs
  - ▶  $\sigma(tHq, H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) < 4.1 \times \sigma(y_t = -1)$ , 4.1 exp., 95%CLs
- ▶ May probe up to SM Higgs coupling with run-II data, complementing  $t\bar{t}H$  search

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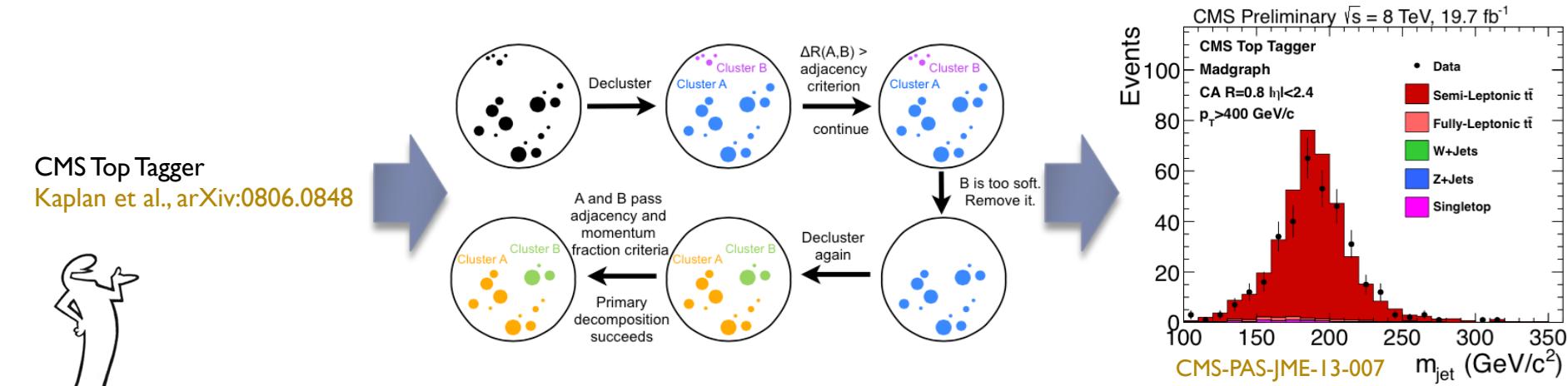


# Top reconstruction at high energy

- ▶ The high-energy LHC regime forces top decays to be reconstructed in the same hadronic jet
- ▶ Important to measure **high- $p_T$  ends of SM processes**, for **top-quark from exotic decays having large boost and for run-II data at 13-14 TeV**

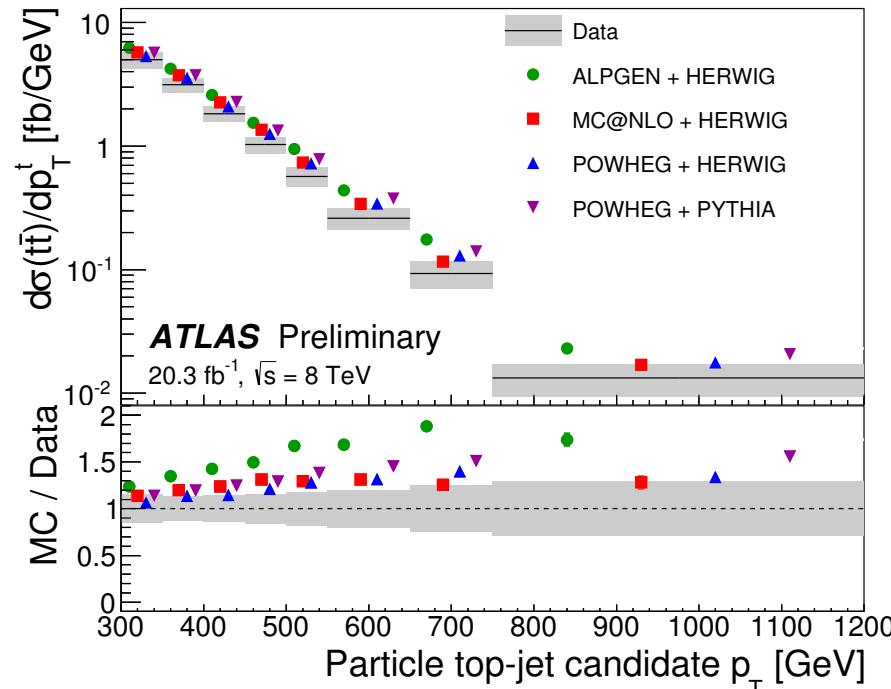


- ▶ Dedicated algorithms identify jet substructures and identify top decay products (top taggers)



# Boosted top in SM processes

- ▶ ATLAS measured  $t\bar{t}^{\text{bar}}$  differential cross section using boosted techniques at high top  $p_T$  (in  $l+jets$ )
- ▶ Background to many new physics searches
- ▶ Simulation does not reproduce well the high- $p_T$  regime

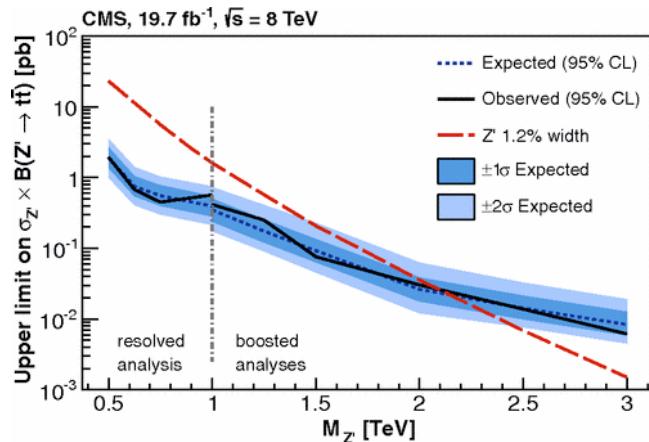
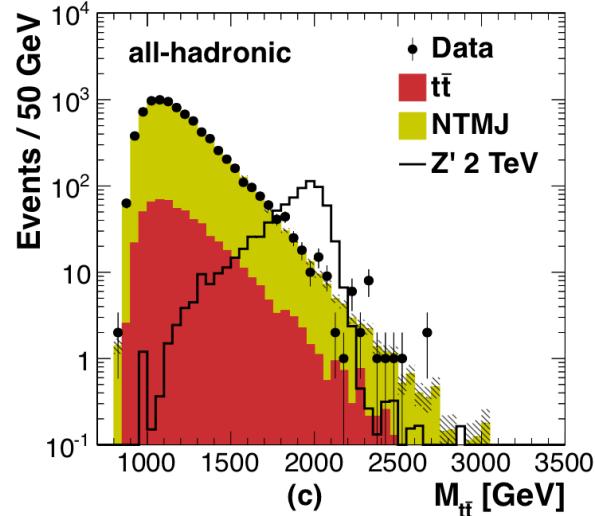


# Boosted tops and new physics

Search for  $t\bar{t}$  resonances ( $Z'$ )

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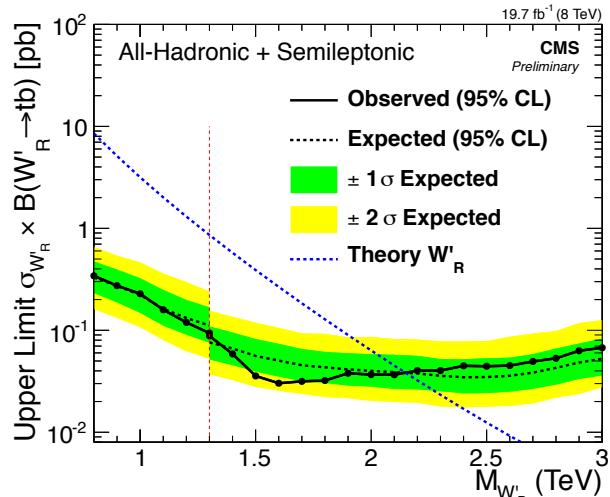
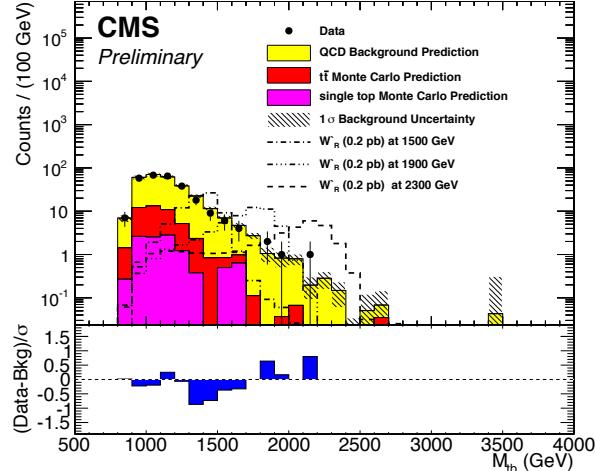
CMS,  $19.7 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ,  $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$



Search for tb resonances ( $W'$ )

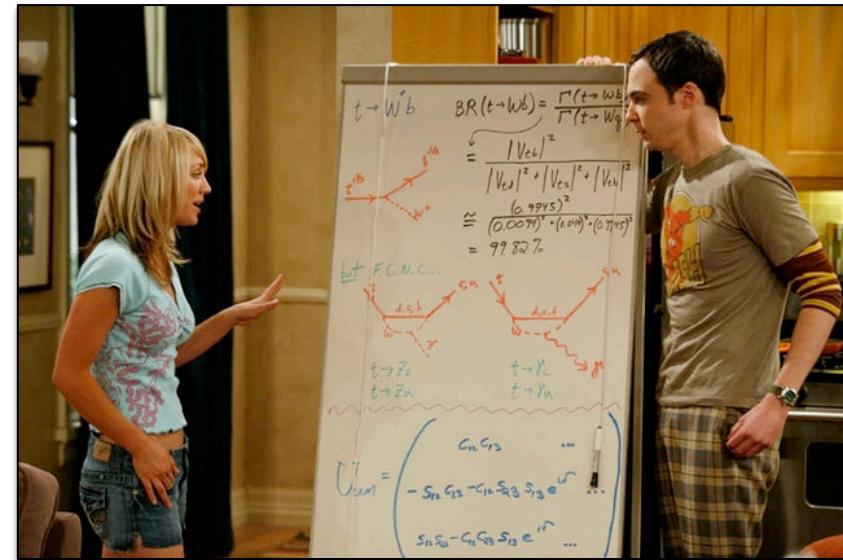
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$19.7 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  (8 TeV)



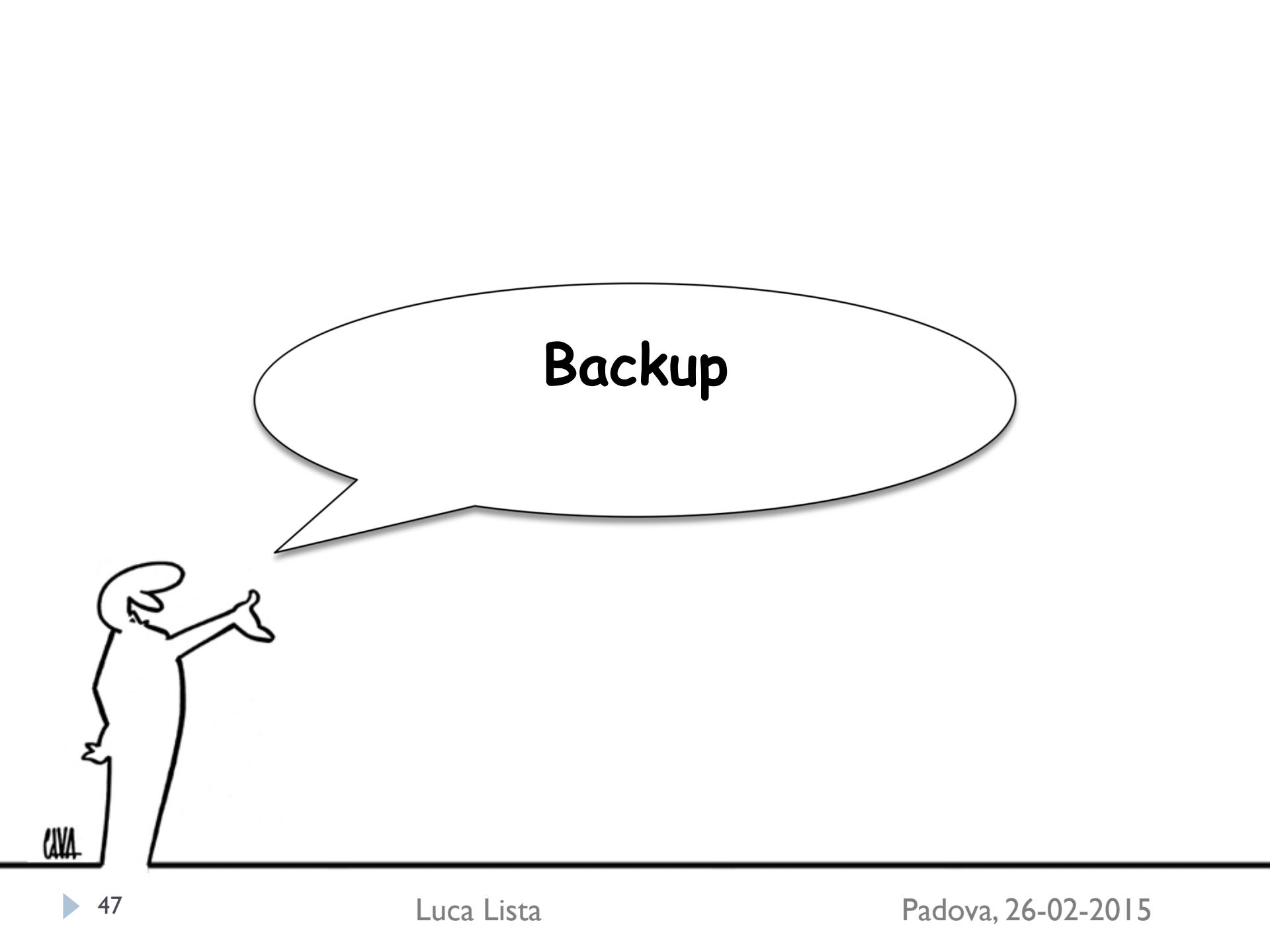
# Conclusions

- ▶ After 20 years from its discovery, the top quark field is very active and rich in new results
- ▶ LHC reached very good precision in many measurements, ranging from production cross section and distributions to top-quark properties
- ▶ Top can couple to new physics but so far no hint of deviations from the SM has been identified
- ▶ Advanced analysis technique have been developed to exploit in an optimal way the forthcoming 13–14 TeV LHC



Stay tuned for new results from LHC run-II !



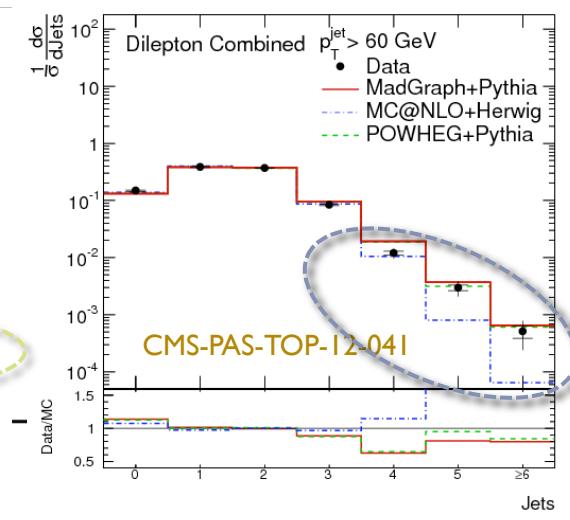
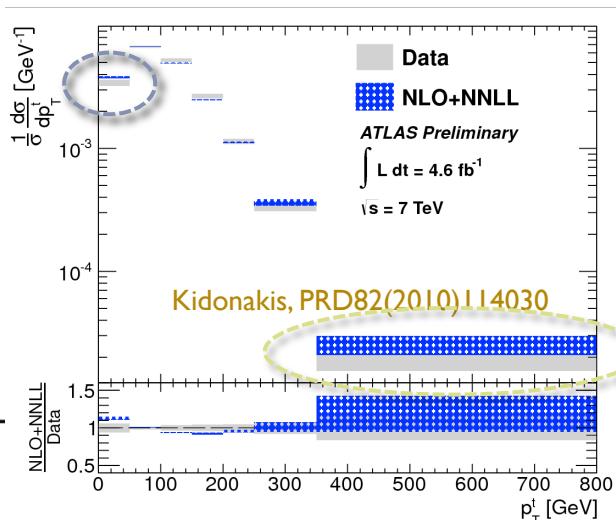
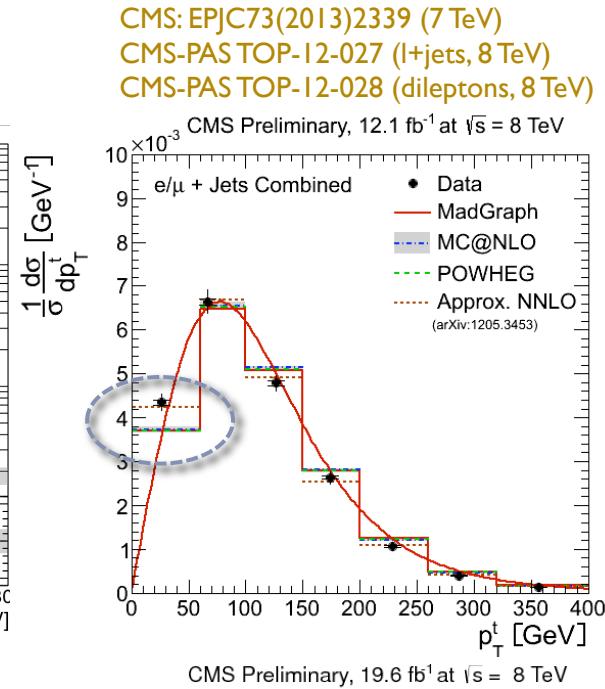
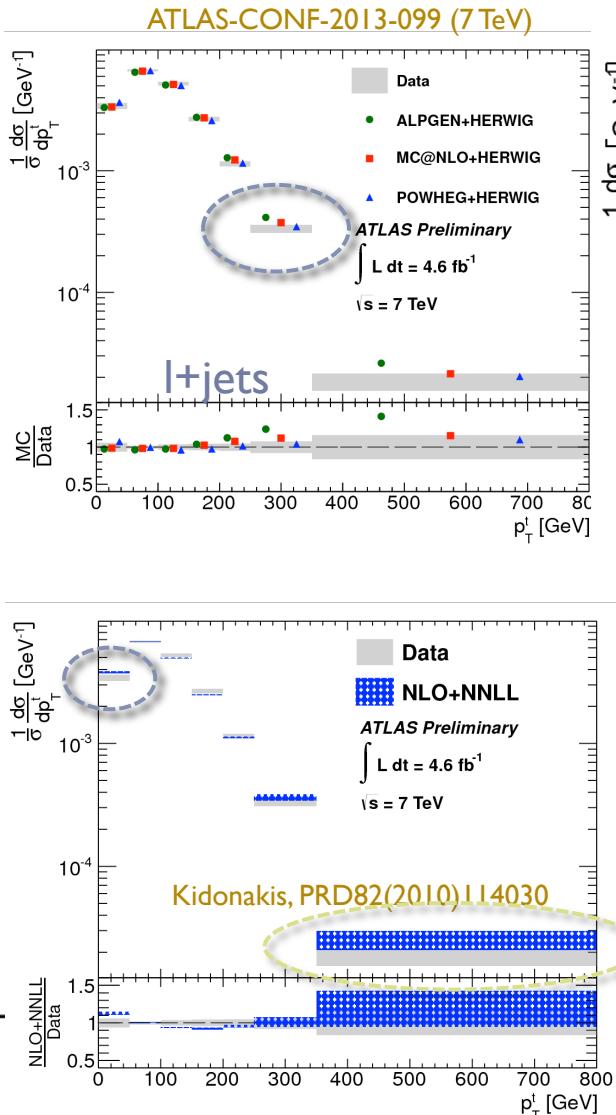


**Backup**



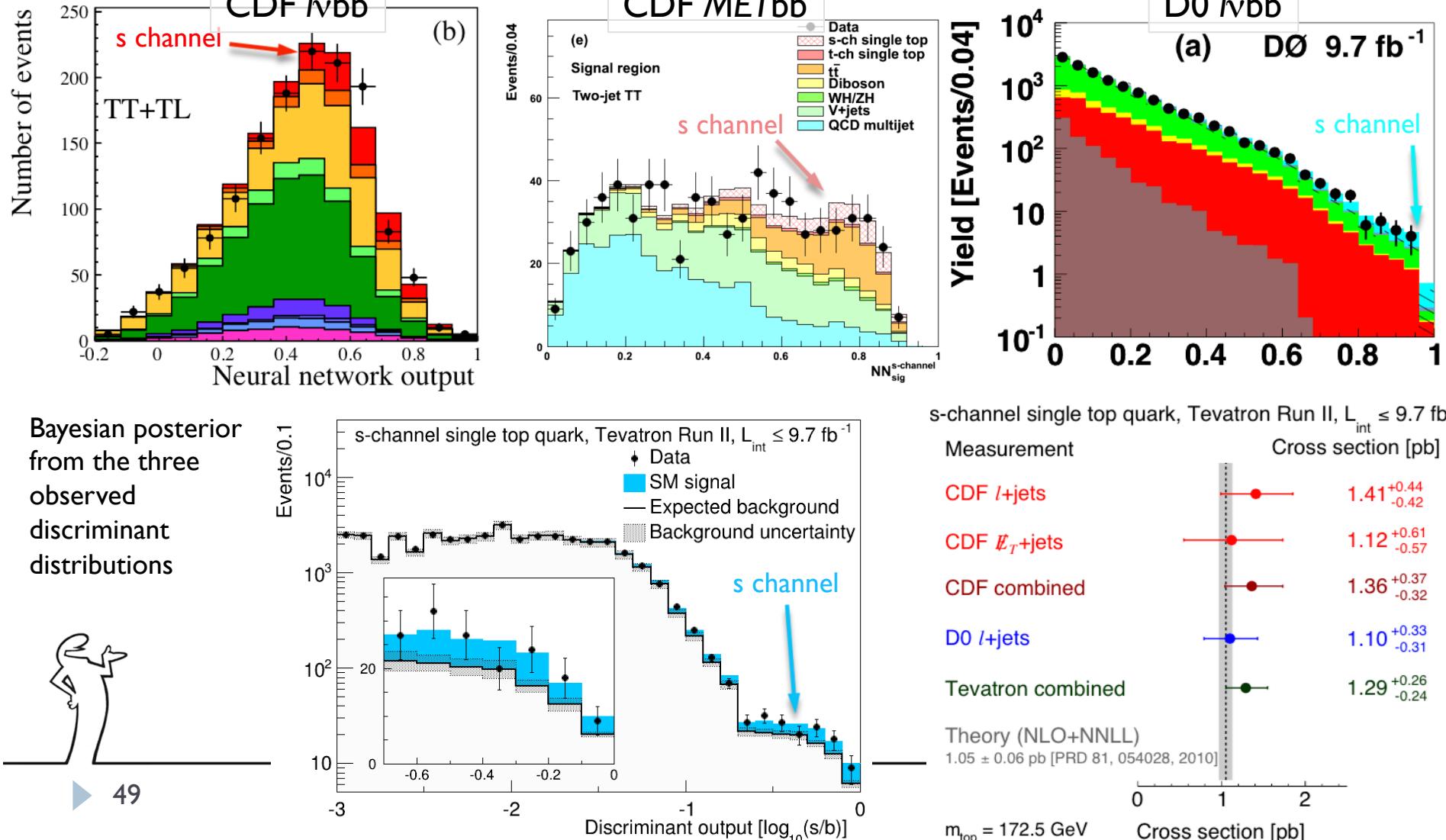
# Top quark $p_T$ , jet multiplicity

- ▶ Top  $p_T$ :
  - ▶ POWHEG best agrees with data
  - ▶ ATLAS reports ALPGEN, MC@NLO, and the NLO calculation above data for  $p_T > 200$  GeV
  - ▶ CMS reports low- $p_T$  spectrum not well reproduced, but in agreement with approx. NLO calculations
  
- ▶ Jet multiplicity:
  - ▶ MC@NLO+Herwig showering predicts lower jet multiplicity than observed



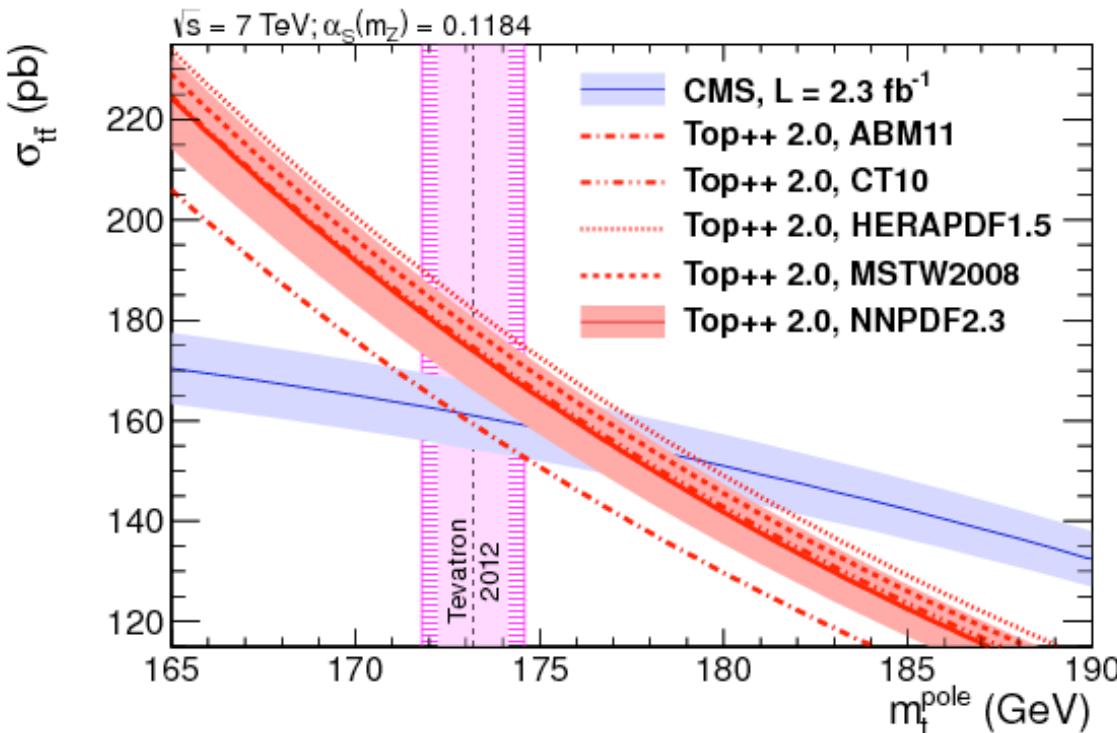
# s channel at Tevatron

► Combination of three multivariate analyses by CDF and D0



# Top-quark mass from cross section

- ▶ Limited precision, but does not suffer from top mass definition from a renormalization scheme (*pole mass*)

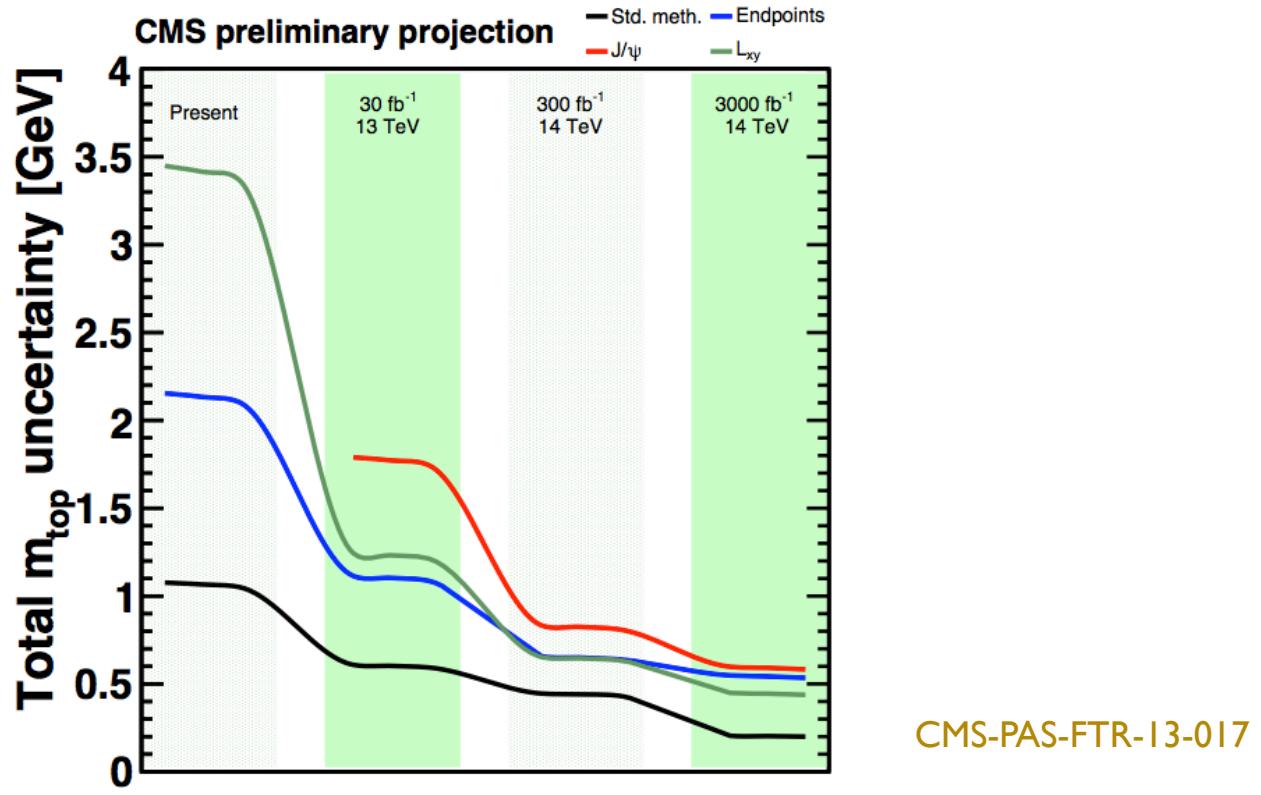


- ▶ fixed  $\alpha_s(m_Z) = 0.1184 \pm 0.0007$ :  
 $m_t^{\text{pole}} = 176.7^{+3.0}_{-2.8} \text{ GeV}$
- ▶ fixed  $m_t = 173.2 \pm 1.4 \text{ GeV}$ :  
 $\alpha_s(m_Z) = 0.1151^{+0.002}_{-0.0027}$



# Perspectives on $m_t$ for run-II and beyond

- ▶ Different assumptions done on uncertainty evolutions, including theory  
(PDF, cross sections, pole vs MC mass, ...)



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# $\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Wb) / \mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Wq)$ from $t\bar{t}$ and $\Gamma_t$

- ▶  $|V_{tb}|$  measured in  $t\bar{t}^{\text{bar}}$  from top decays
- ▶  $R = \mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Wb) / \mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Wq) = |V_{tb}|^2$
- ▶ Dilepton channel used ( $e$  or  $\mu$ ; Drell-Yan removed if  $|M_Z - M_{ll}| < 15$  GeV or  $ME_T < 40$  GeV)
- ▶ b flavour content of  $t\bar{t}^{\text{bar}}$  events probed counting the number of b jets after independent data-driven measurement of b-tagging efficiency
- ▶ Result:

$$R = 1.014 \pm 0.003 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.032 \text{ (syst.)}$$

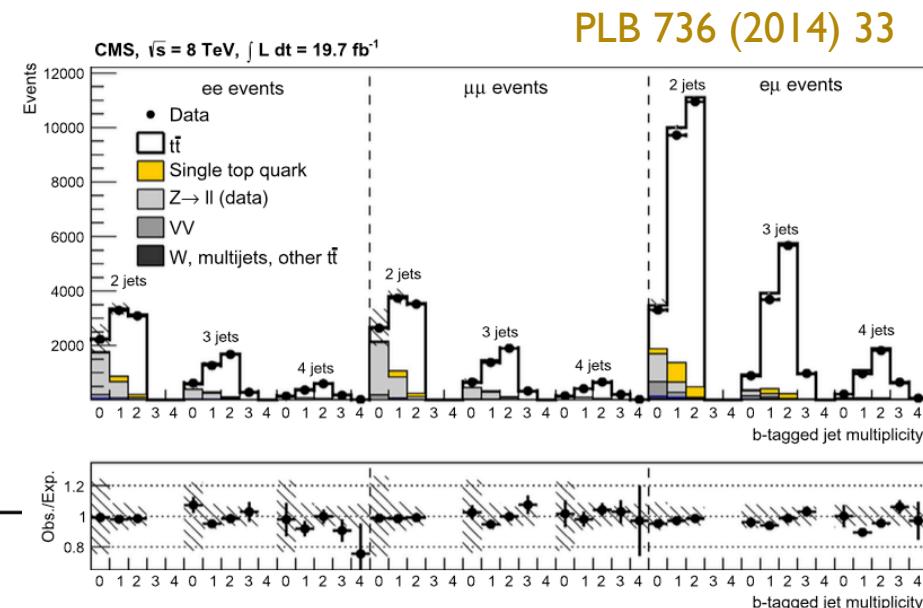
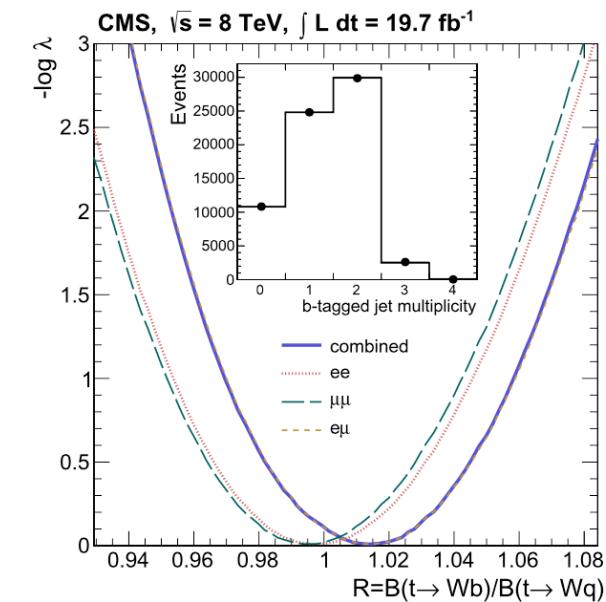
$|V_{tb}| > 0.975, 95\% \text{ CL}$

- ▶ Indirect measurement of  $\Gamma_t$ : including single-top t-channel cross-section measurement:

$$\Gamma_t = \frac{\sigma_{t\text{-ch.}}}{\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Wb)} \cdot \frac{\Gamma(t \rightarrow Wb)}{\sigma_{t\text{-ch.}}^{\text{theor.}}}$$

- ▶ Assuming the SM value  $\Gamma(t \rightarrow Wb) = 1.329$  GeV (corresponding to  $m_t = 172.5$  GeV), and  $\sum_q \mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Wq) = 1$ , hence  $R = \mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Wb)$ :

$$\Gamma_t = 1.36 \pm 0.02 \text{ (stat.)}^{+0.14}_{-0.11} \text{ (syst.) GeV}$$



# Search for four tops

- ▶ SM process with very low cross section:
  - ▶  $\sigma_{8\text{TeV}}^{\text{SM}}(\text{tttt}) \approx 1 \text{ fb(LO)} + \sim 20 \div 30\% \text{ (NLO)}$   
V. Barger et al., PLB687(2010)70  
M.W.G. Bevilacqua, JHEP1207(2012)111
- ▶ Production largely enhanced in several models beyond the SM
  - ▶ Composite top and Higgs, extra dimensions, supersymmetric cascade decay with multitop final states, ...)
- ▶ Analysis strategy look for:
  - ▶ ① top decay to e or  $\mu$
  - ▶ ③ tops decay hadronically
  - ▶ 3-jet combinations scored as top decay using a dedicated BDT (“multitopness”) against semileptonic tt
  - ▶ Second BDT adding more event variables
- ▶ No significant excess observed:
  - ▶  $\sigma(\text{tttt}) < 63 \text{ fb} (\text{exp: } 42^{+18}_{-13} \text{ fb}), 95\% \text{ CL}$

